

# Vh and A $\rightarrow$ Zh (h $\rightarrow$ bb) in ATLAS

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# Overview of the talk: Two Analyses

## VH ( $H \rightarrow bb$ ): SM Higgs search

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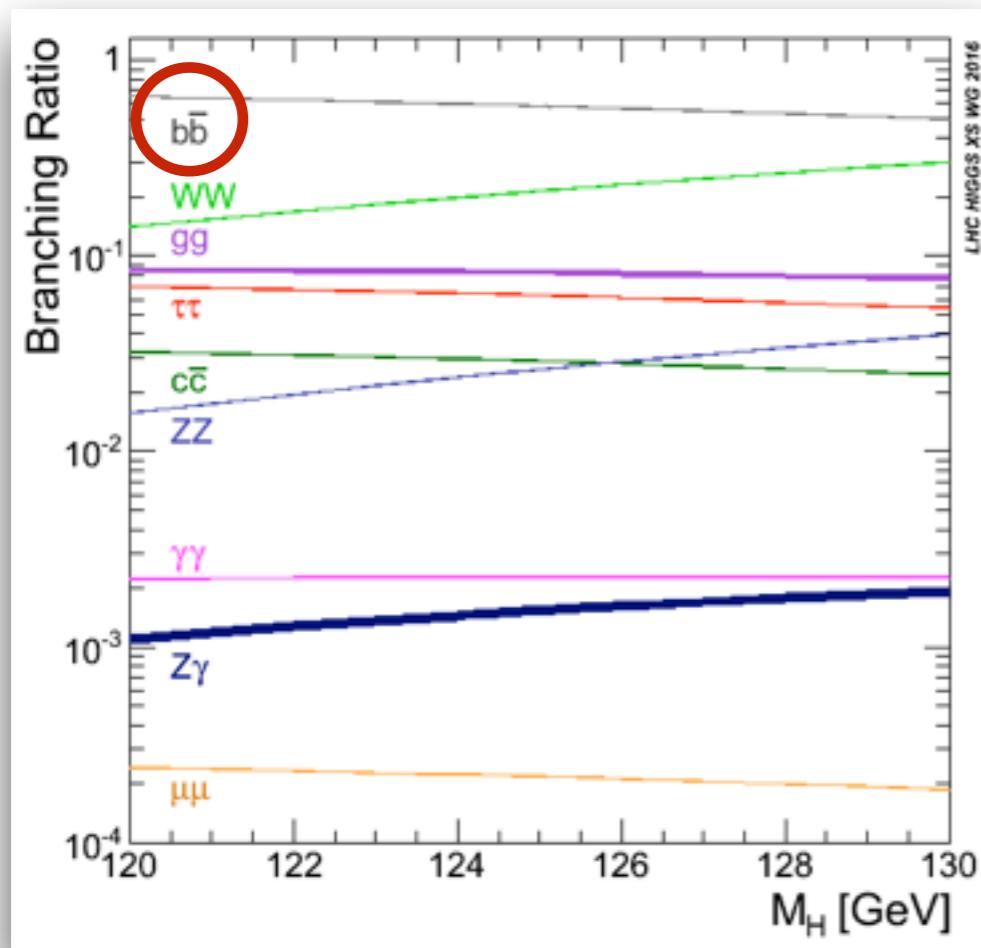
- ▶ Run2(**13TeV**) results presented for MoriondEW2016  
[ATLAS-CONF-2016-015]

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# Run1 SM VHbb: The Higgs Signal

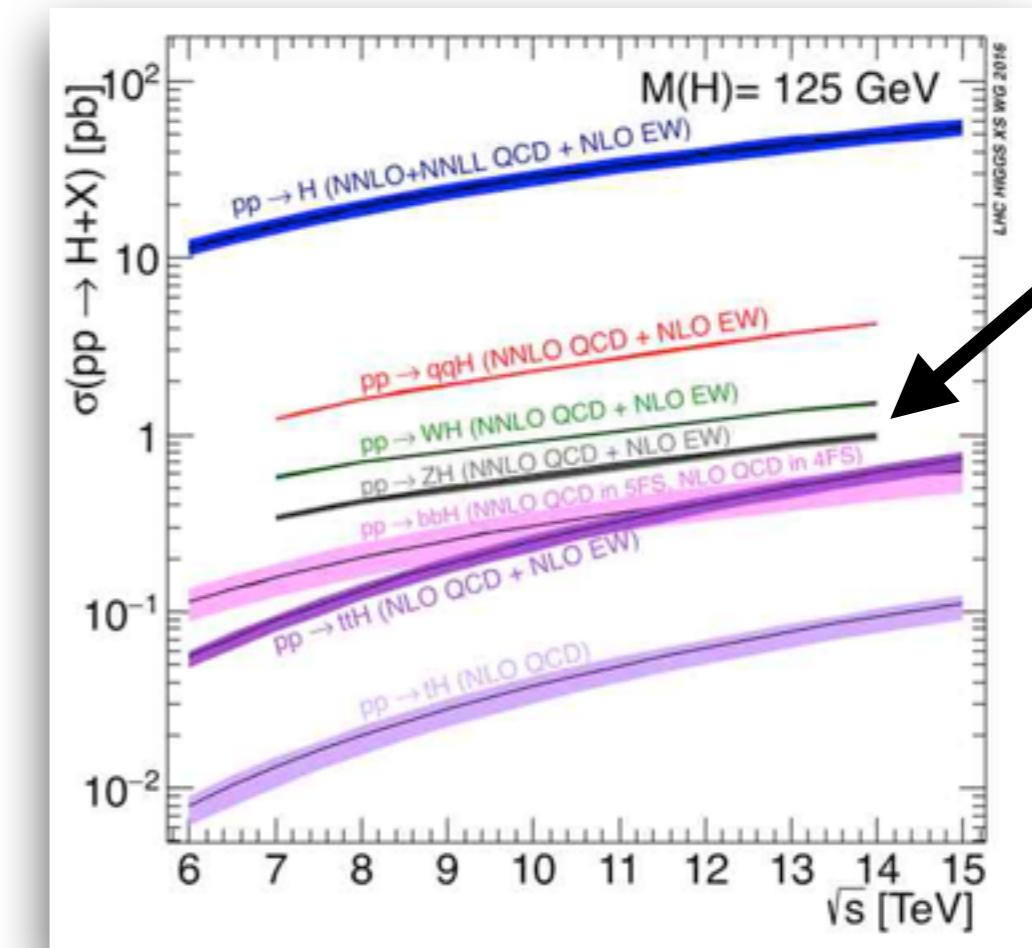
## VH $\rightarrow$ bb Motivations

BR  $\sim 58\%$  ( $m_H = 125$  GeV)  
 direct H coupling to down-type quark  
 sensitive to high  $p_T$  Higgs production

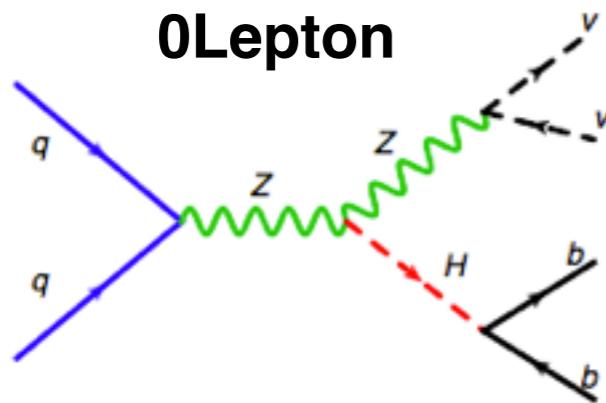


## Production Mechanism

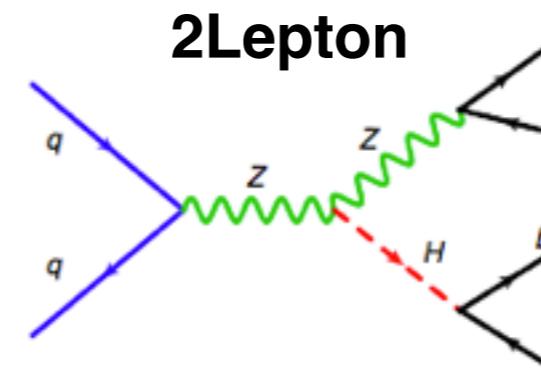
**VH production (~5%)**  $V \rightarrow$  leptons  
 subdominant but cleanest vs QCD background



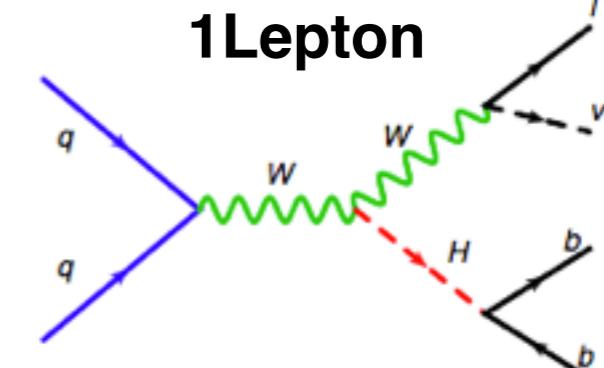
0Lepton



2Lepton

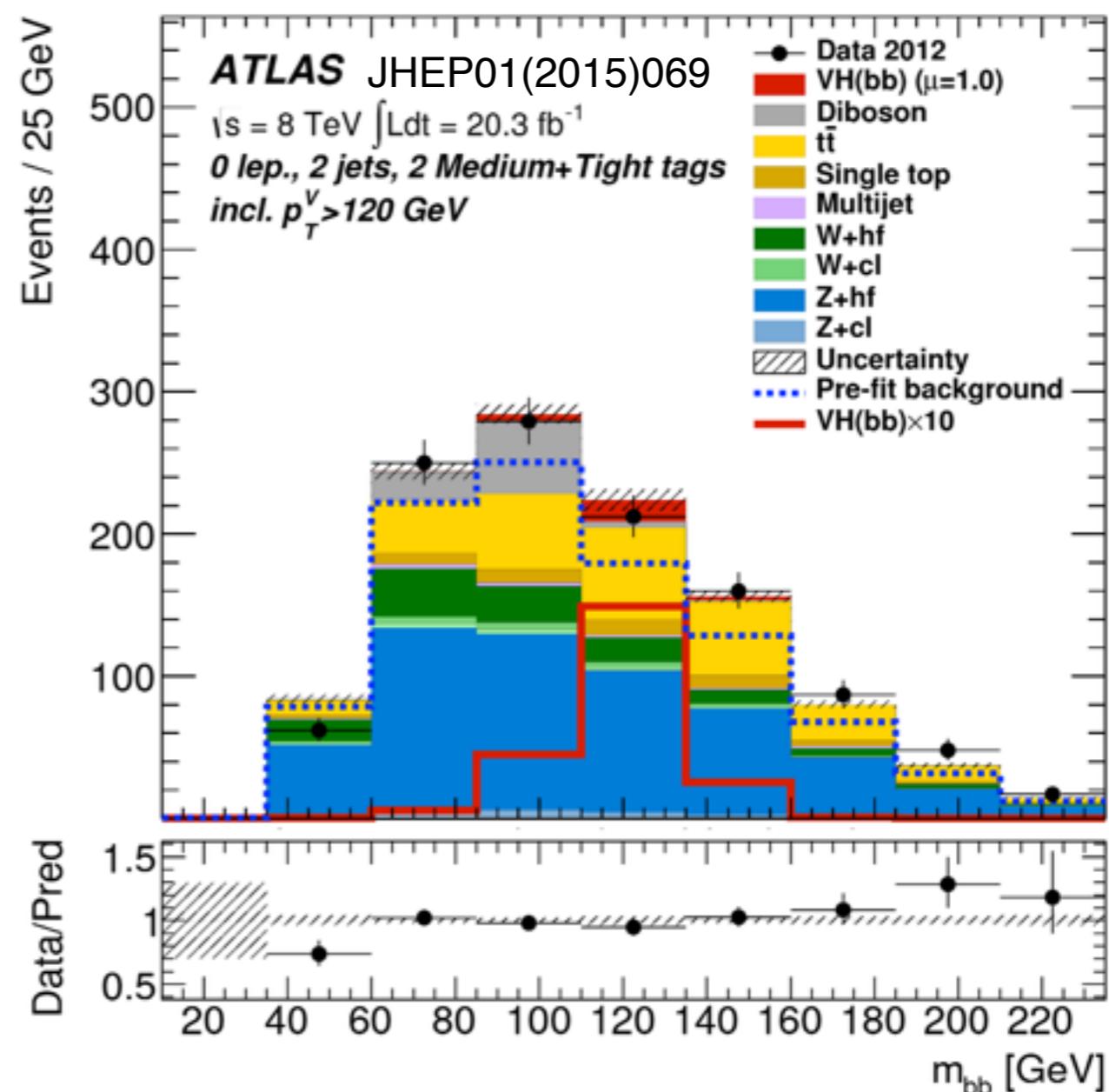


1Lepton



# Run1 SM VHbb: The Backgrounds

## Main Backgrounds



## Many SM processes contributing as backgrounds

- ▶ different kinematic and topologies
- ▶ resonant and non-resonant backgrounds

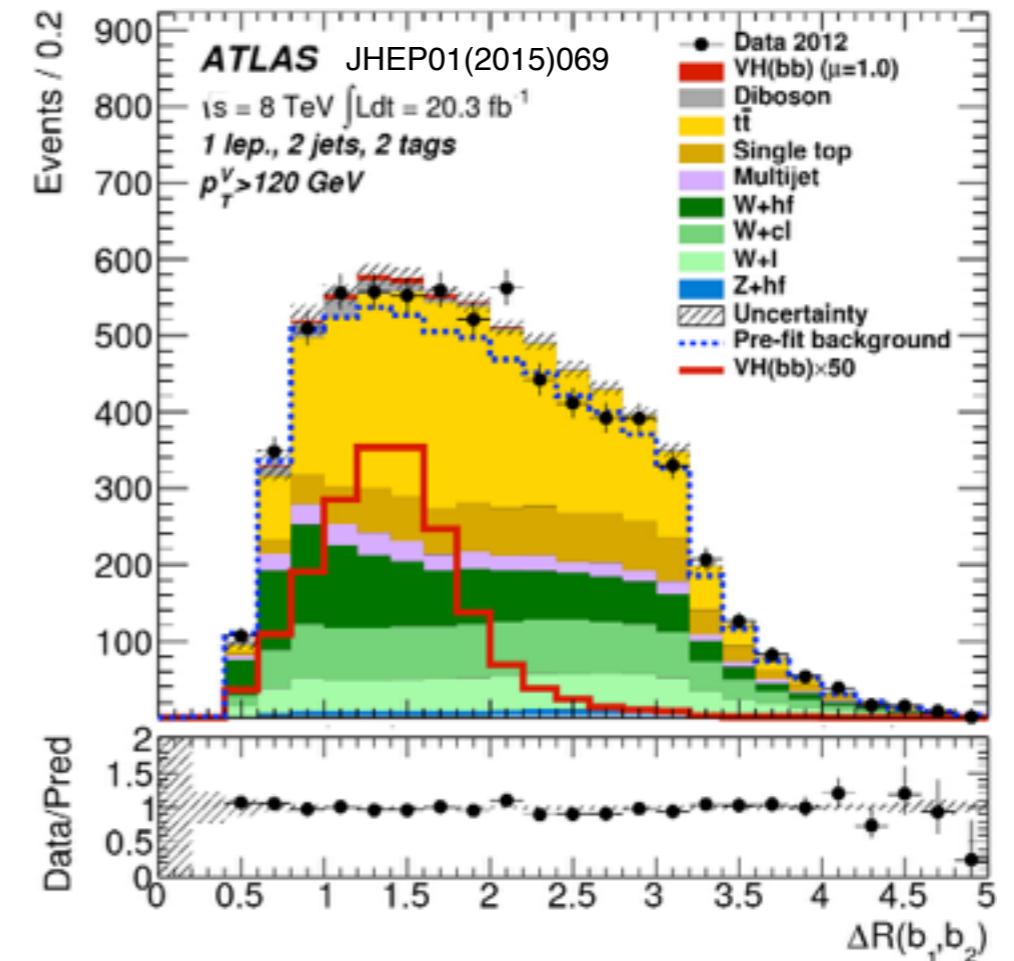


- ▶ most advanced available MC
- ▶ dedicated Control Regions
- ▶ global combined fit (CR+SR) to constrain the bkg modelling

# Run1 SM VHbb: Multivariate Discrimination

Separate a tiny signal from a complex background → multivariate techniques → BDT

Variable	0-Lepton	1-Lepton	2-Lepton
$p_T^V$		×	×
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	×	×	×
$p_T^{b_1}$	×	×	×
$p_T^{b_2}$	×	×	×
$m_{bb}$	×	×	×
$\Delta R(b_1, b_2)$	×	×	×
$ \Delta\eta(b_1, b_2) $	×		×
$\Delta\phi(V, bb)$	×	×	×
$ \Delta\eta(V, bb) $			×
$H_T$	×		
$\min[\Delta\phi(\ell, b)]$		×	
$m_T^W$		×	
$m_{\ell\ell}$			×
$MV1c(b_1)$	×	×	×
$MV1c(b_2)$	×	×	×
	Only in 3-jet events		
$p_T^{\text{jet}_3}$	×	×	×
$m_{bbj}$	×	×	×



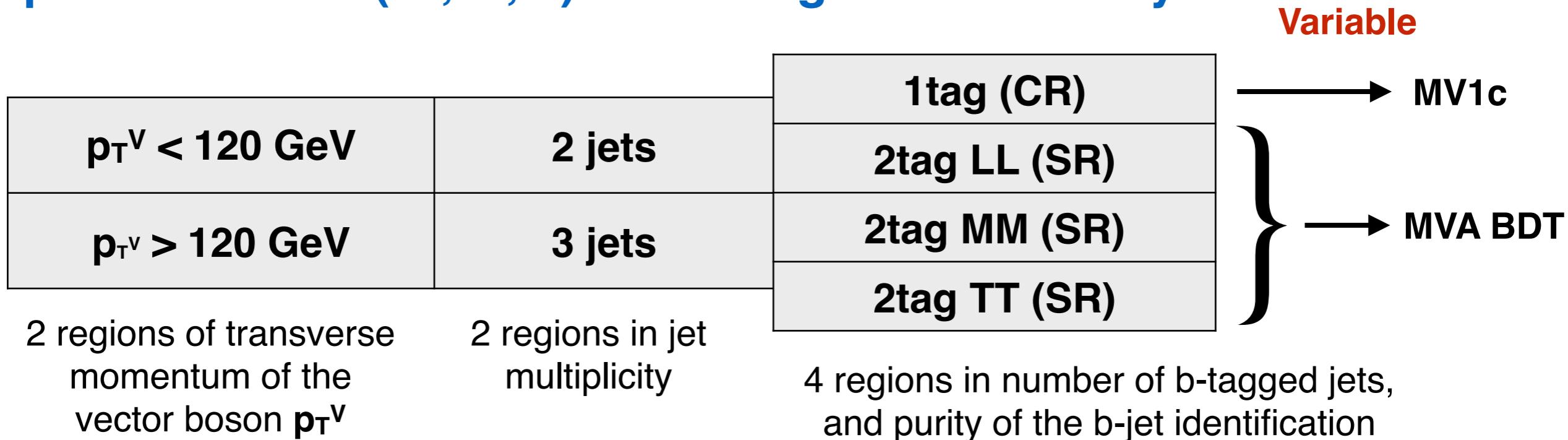
## MVA training variables:

- as consistent as possible across lepton channels
- study of data/MC modelling and correlations
- most powerful:  $m_{bb}$ ,  $\Delta R(b,b)$ ,  $p_T^V$

We do not cut on the BDT output: the full BDT shape distribution is used as discriminating variable in a **combined Profile Likelihood Fit**

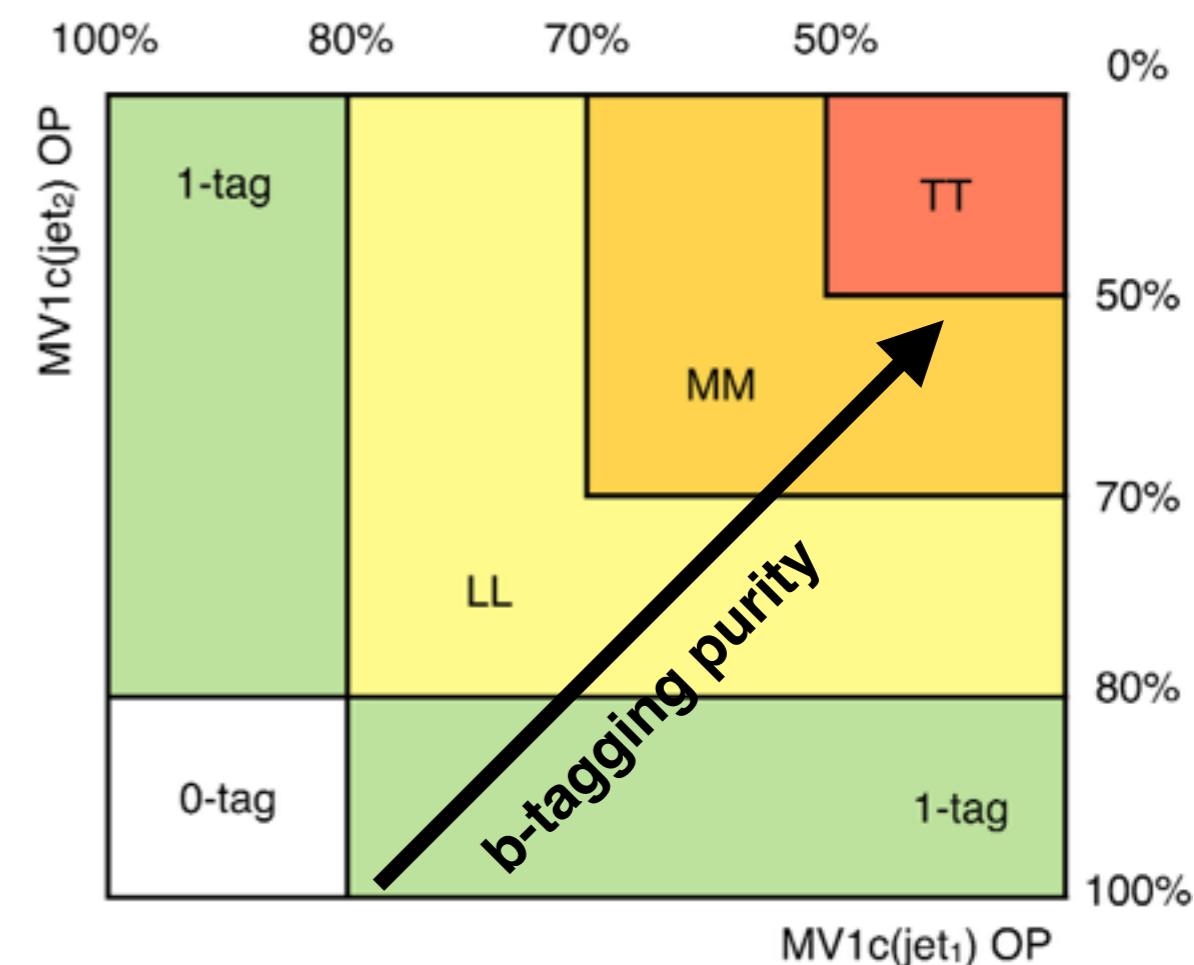
# Run1 SM VHbb: The Analysis Strategy

## 3 lepton channels (vv, lv, ll) according to the V decay



## Total of 40-50 analysis regions

- additional selections specific to each lepton channel applied to reject backgrounds
- BDT shape, or b-tagging discriminant,** used to fit the signal+background prediction to data
- All regions** entering in a simultaneous profile likelihood fit



# Run1 SM VHbb: Results

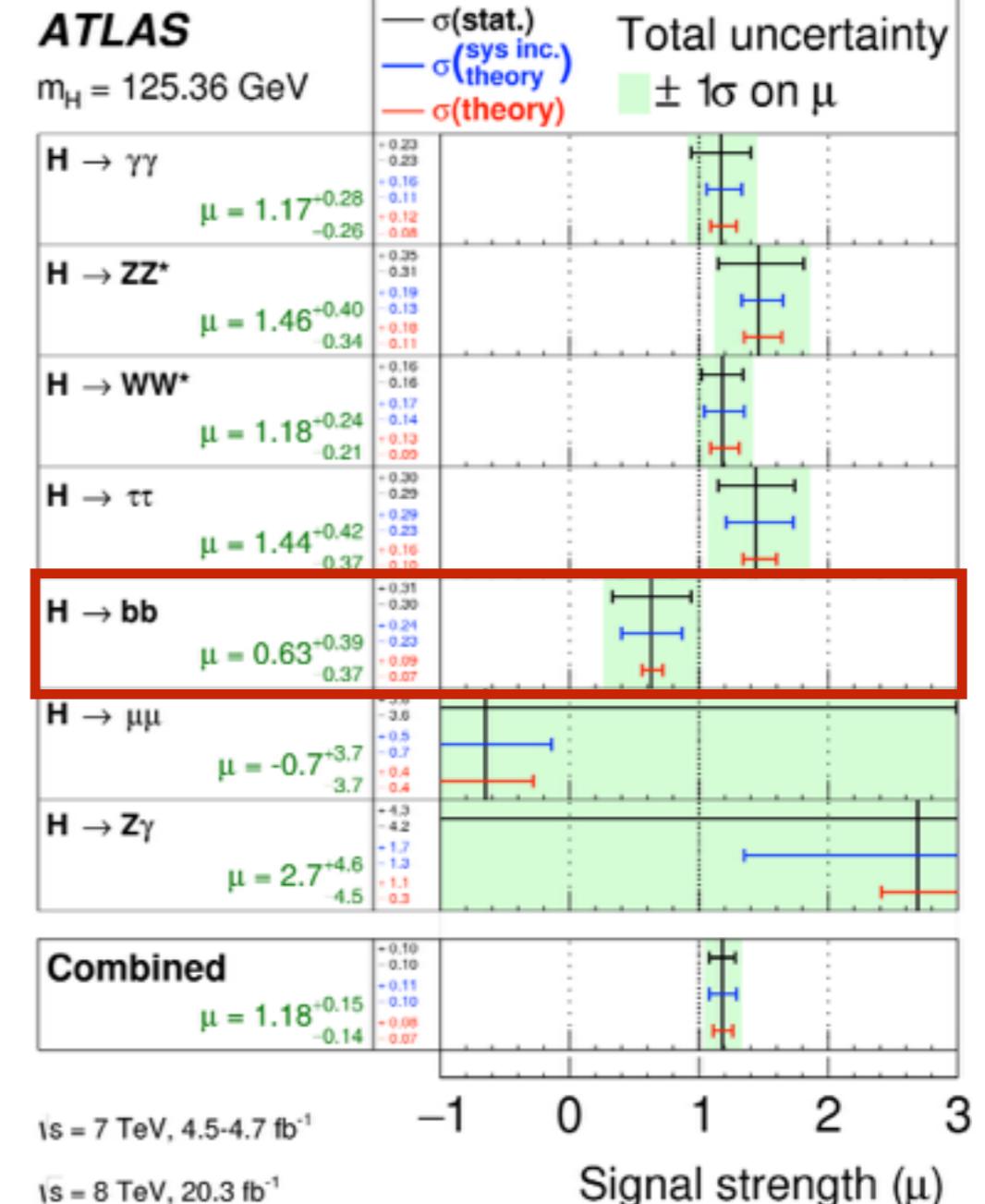
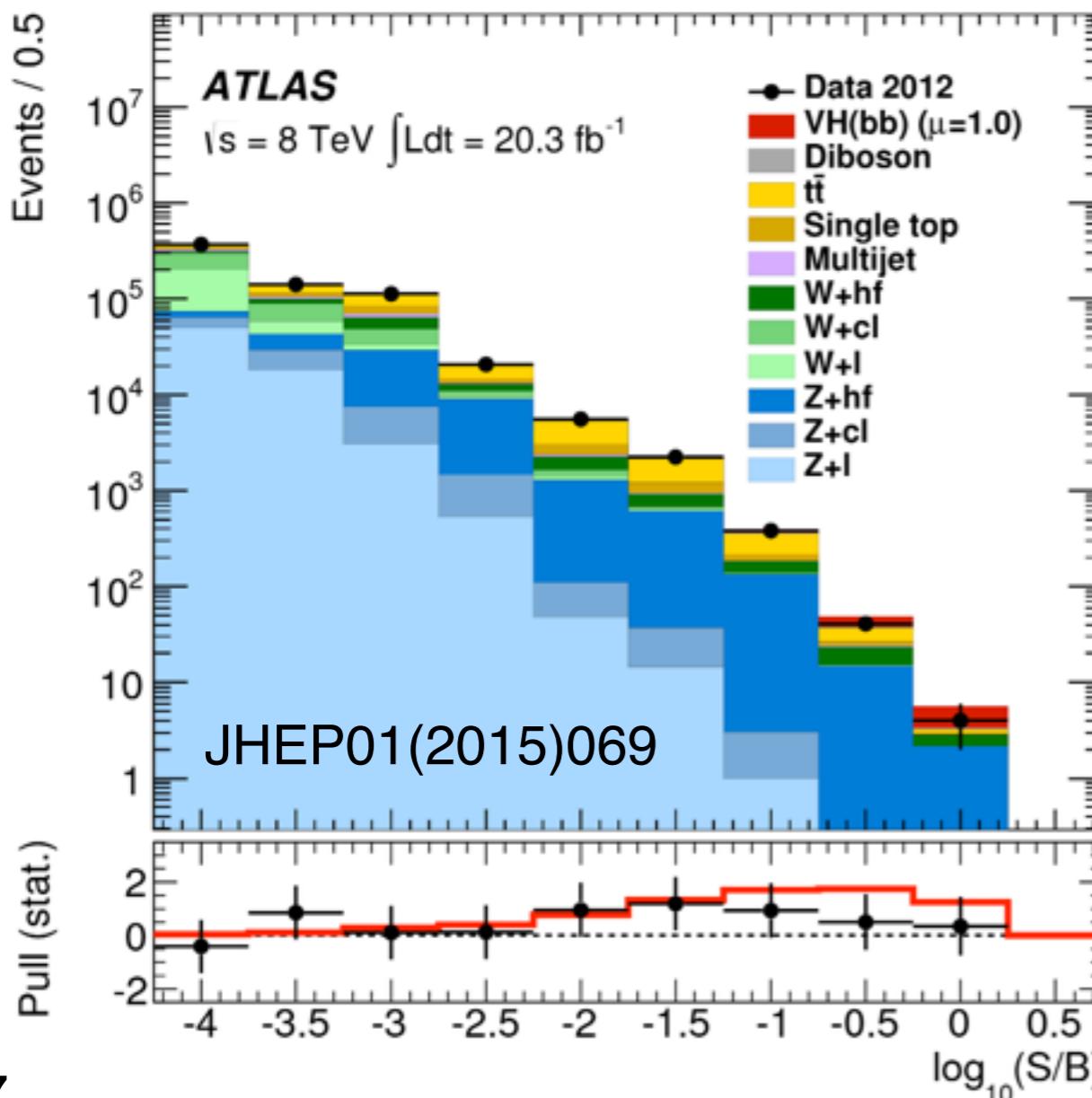
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## VH $\rightarrow$ Vbb

**expected significance  $\sigma_{\text{exp}} = 2.6$**   
**observed significance  $\sigma_{\text{obs}} = 1.4$**

signal strength = fitted  $\sigma/\sigma_{\text{SM}}$

$0.51 \pm 0.31(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.24(\text{syst.})$



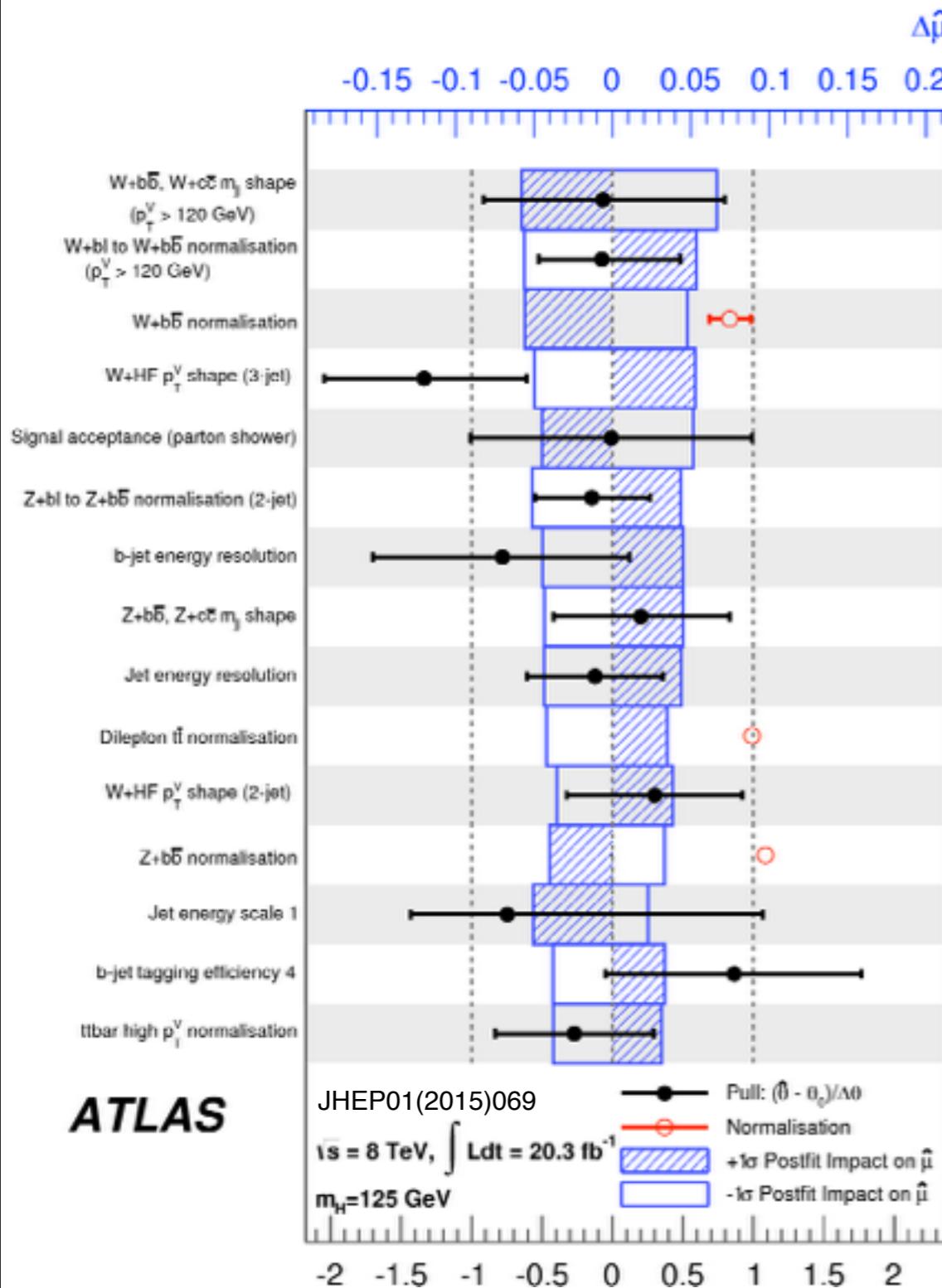
**Highest expected significance for Hbb searches**

Multivariate analysis brings O(30%) improvement in the expected significance

# Learning from Run1: Systematic Uncertainties (a hint)

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Several systematic sources, from background modelling and detector performance:

systematics ranked according to their impact on the measured signal strength

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W+jets (heavy flavour) modelling

→ Z+jets (heavy flavour) modelling

Control over the modelling of  
Z/W+heavy flavour  
background is crucial for this analysis

Z+jets	
Zl normalisation, 3/2-jet ratio	5%
Zcl 3/2-jet ratio	26%
Z+hf 3/2-jet ratio	20%
Z+hf/Zbb ratio	12%
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_1, \text{jet}_2), p_T^V, m_{bb}$	S

W+jets	
Wl normalisation, 3/2-jet ratio	10%
Wcl, W+hf 3/2-jet ratio	10%
Wbl/Wbb ratio	35%
Wbc/Wbb, Wcc/Wbb ratio	12%
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_1, \text{jet}_2), p_T^V, m_{bb}$	S

# SM VHbb: Towards Run2 data

ATLAS collected  $L \sim 3.2/fb$  of data at  $\sqrt{s} = 13\text{TeV}$  and the 2016 data-taking is ongoing  
**What can we (expect to) say with these data for VHbb?**

## Cross-section scaling: 13TeV/8TeV

- ▶ **signal and EW backgrounds** scaling by  $\sim 2$
- ▶ **ttbar processes** increasing by  $\sim 3.3$

No public result yet:  
back-of-the-envelope  
considerations here

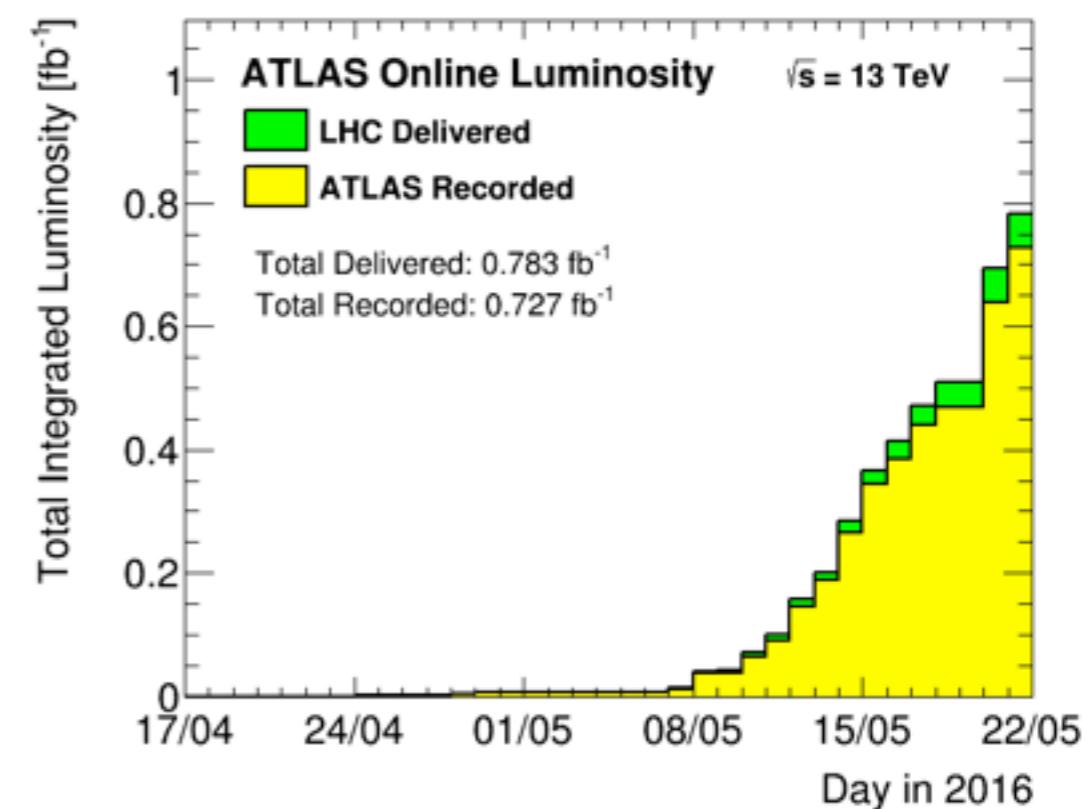
## From Run1

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With a statistics of  $\sim$  half of the Run1 data the **sensitivity@13TeV** starts to be similar to the Run1 expected value

- ▶ Very exciting time to look at the **full Run2 dataset** ( $L \sim 25/fb$  by December 2016?)
- ▶ Already *very interesting* to look at the first **10-15/fb of 13TeV** data, and **combine Run1+Run2 results**



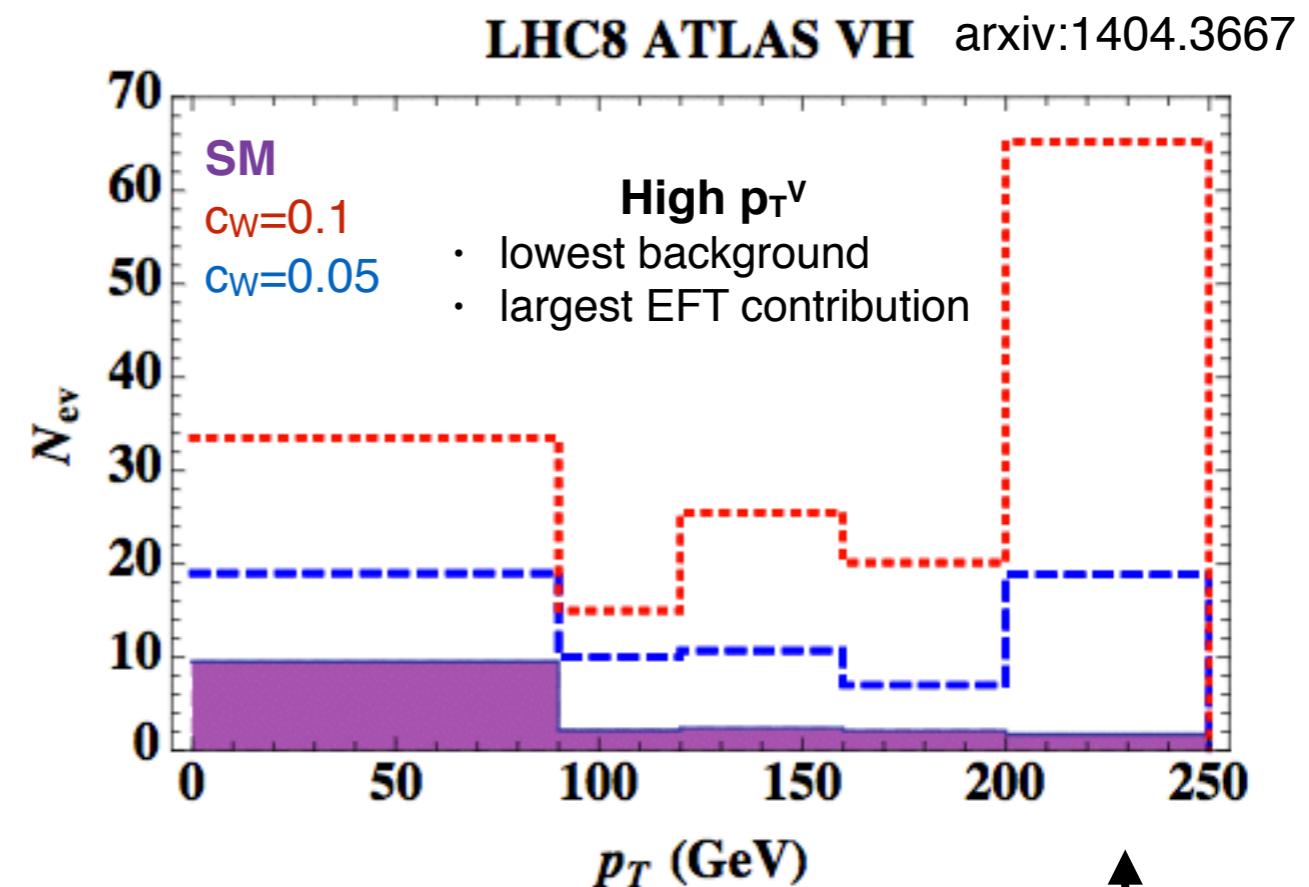
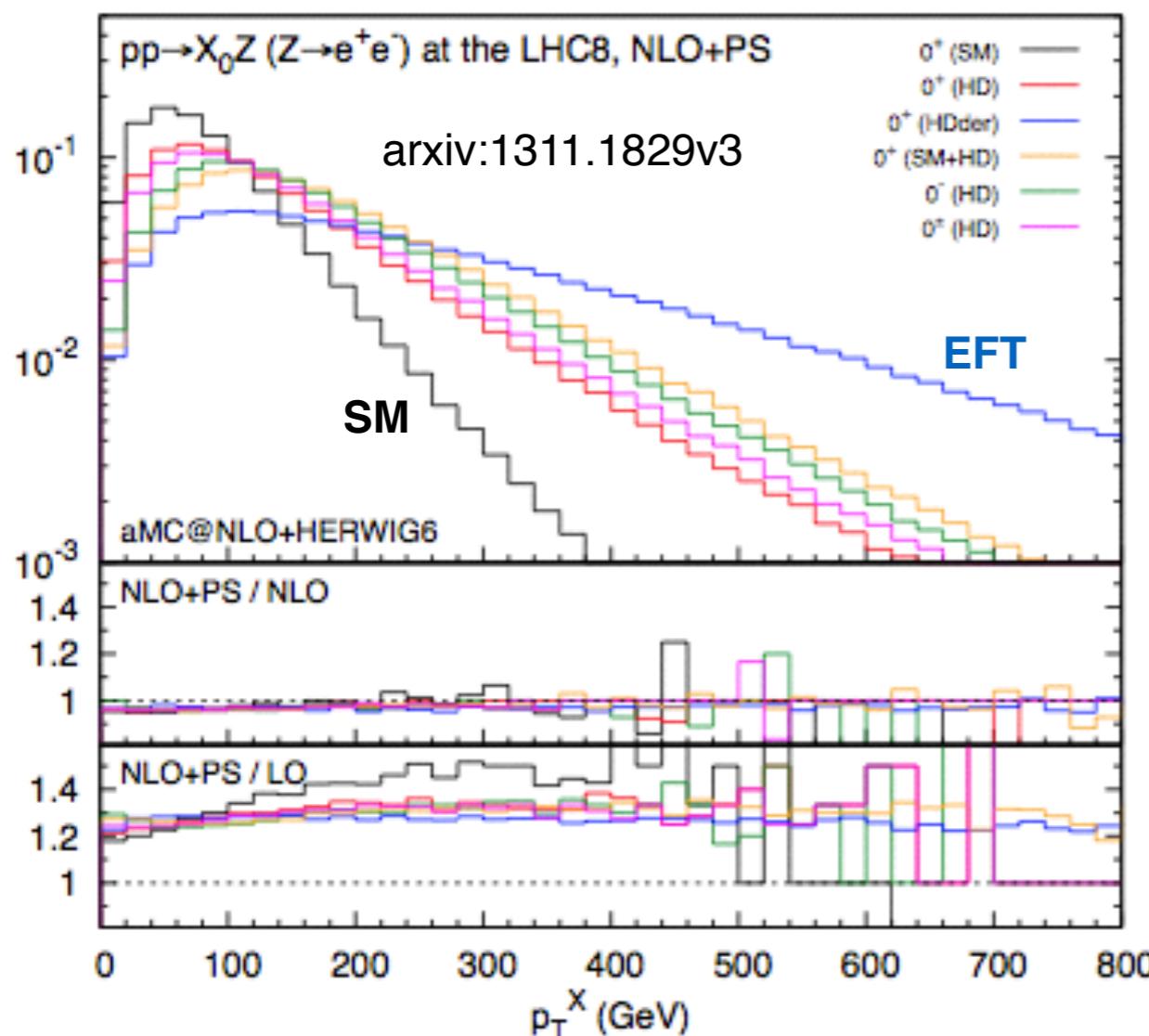
# $\sim$ SM VHbb: Towards Run2 data [EFT]

The VHbb channel is able to constrain some **combination of parameters** related to the dim-6 operators used to build the **EFT Lagrangian** (see arxiv:1404.3667 Ellis, Sanz, You)

**EFT samples already under study in ATLAS:**

**mg5\_aMC Higgs Characterization Model**

*MonteCarlo generation at NLO(QCD)+PS*



$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{4}g_{HZZ}^{(1)}Z_{\mu\nu}Z^{\mu\nu}h - g_{HZZ}^{(2)}Z_{\nu}\partial_{\mu}Z^{\mu\nu}h$$

$$-\frac{1}{2}g_{HWW}^{(1)}W^{\mu\nu}W_{\mu\nu}^{\dagger}h - \left[g_{HWW}^{(2)}W^{\nu}\partial^{\mu}W_{\mu\nu}^{\dagger}h + h.c.\right]$$

EFT Lagrangian with VH anomalous couplings  
(mass basis, unitary gauge)

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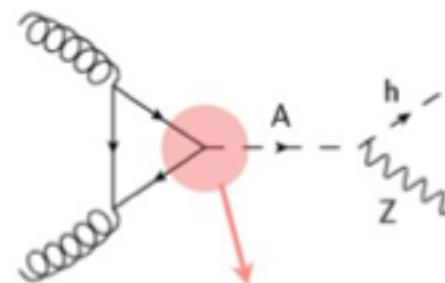
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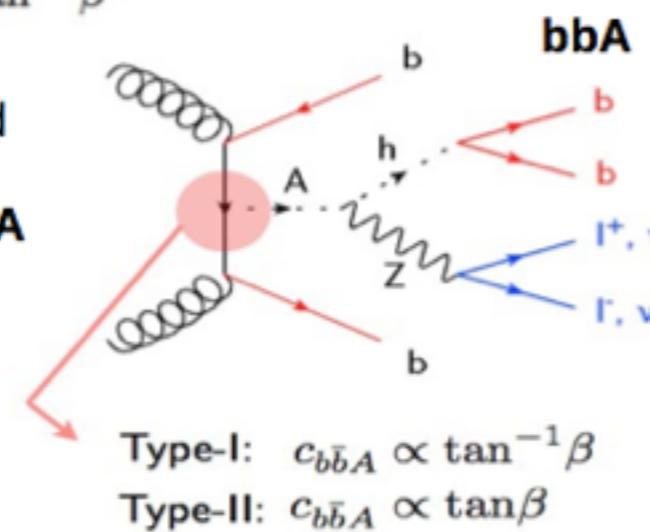
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Type-I:  $c_{t\bar{t}A} \propto \tan^{-1}\beta$   
 Type-II:  $c_{t\bar{t}A} \propto \tan\beta$

Search for CP-odd scalar A boson through **ggA** or **bbA** production



Type-I:  $c_{b\bar{b}A} \propto \tan^{-1}\beta$   
 Type-II:  $c_{b\bar{b}A} \propto \tan\beta$

## Two main channels combined:

Zh $\rightarrow$ vvbb (dominant at **high** m<sub>A</sub>)

Zh $\rightarrow$ l+l- $\rightarrow$ bb (dominant at **low** m<sub>A</sub>)

## Search strategy: (h $\rightarrow$ bb) decay

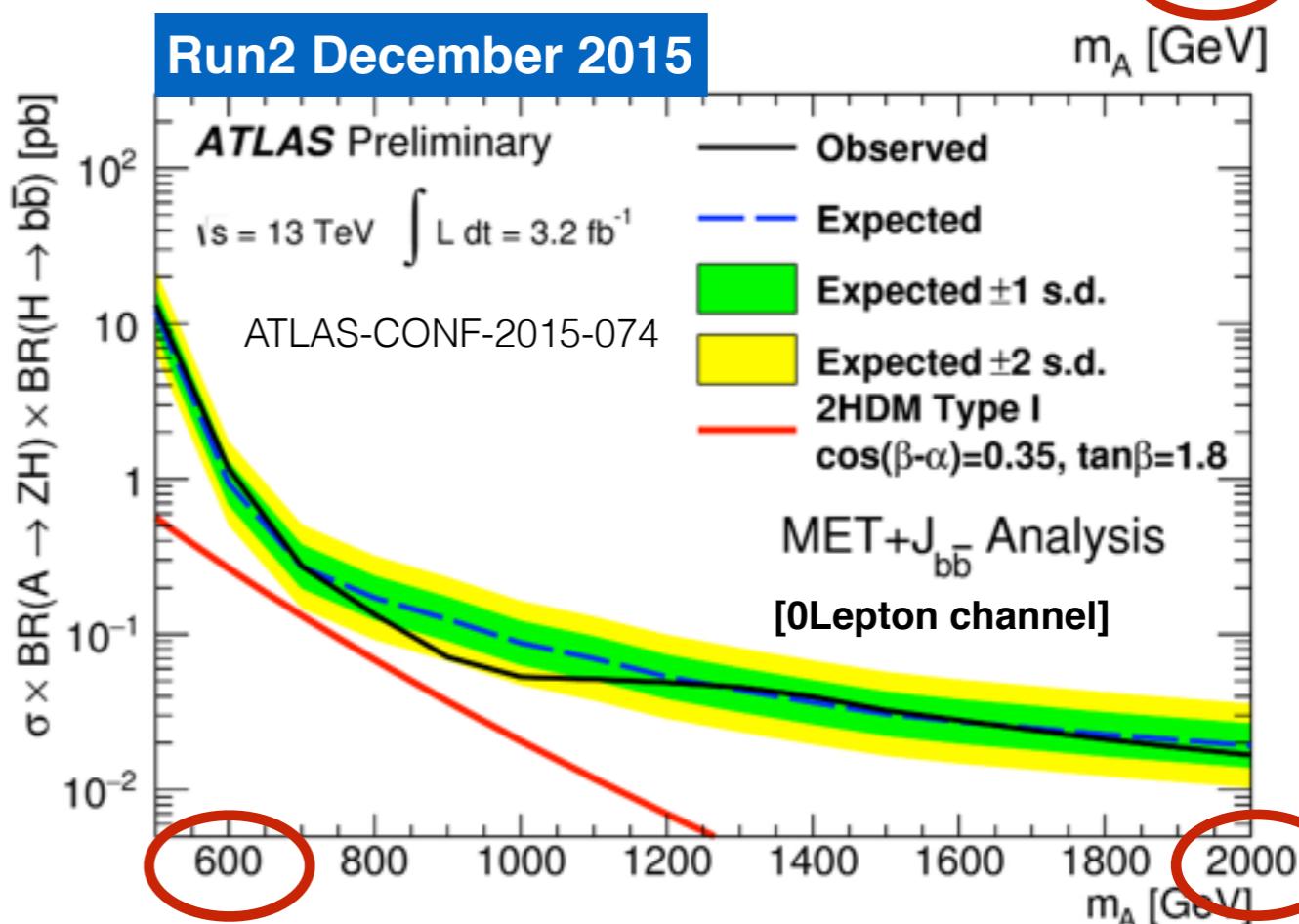
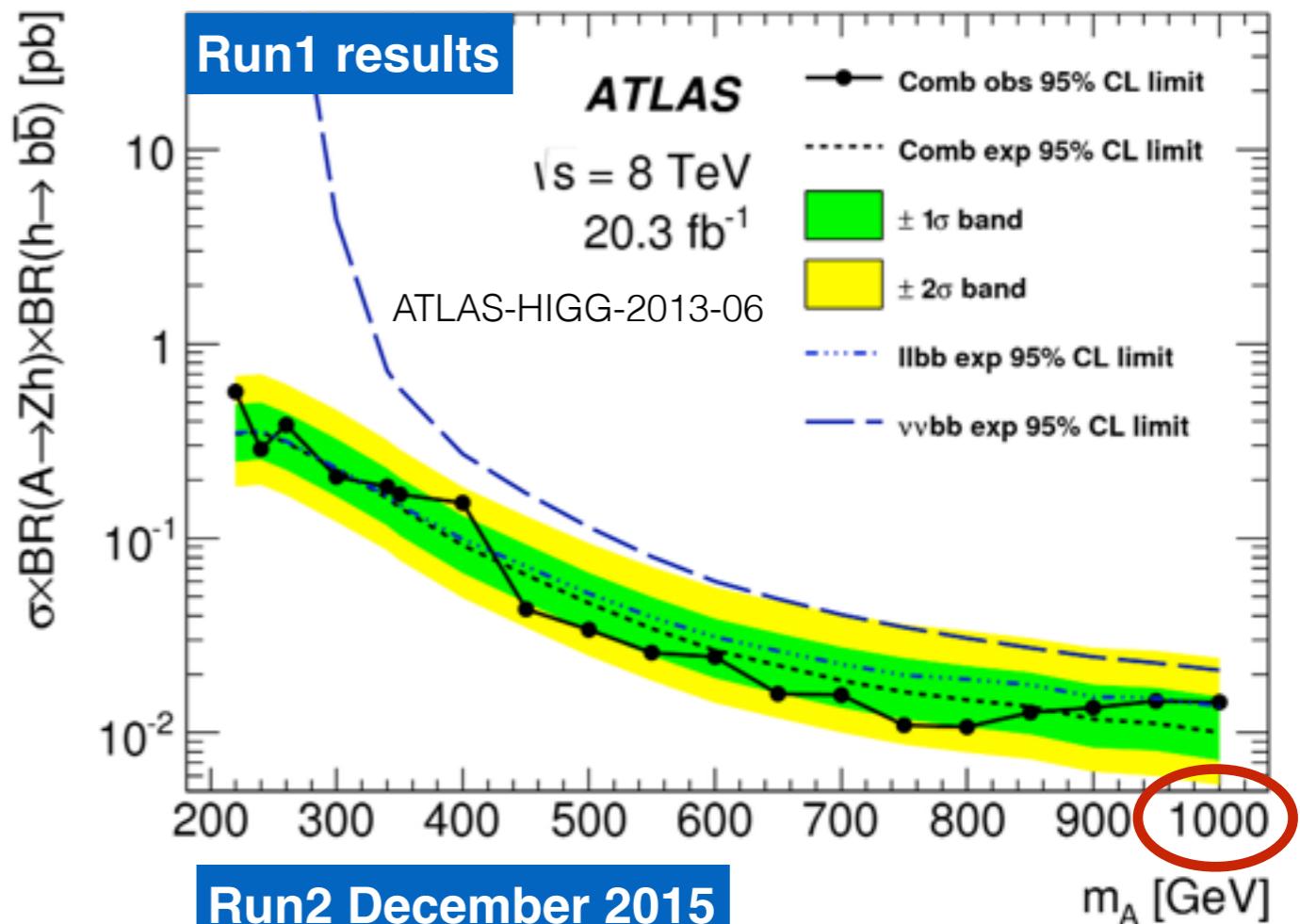
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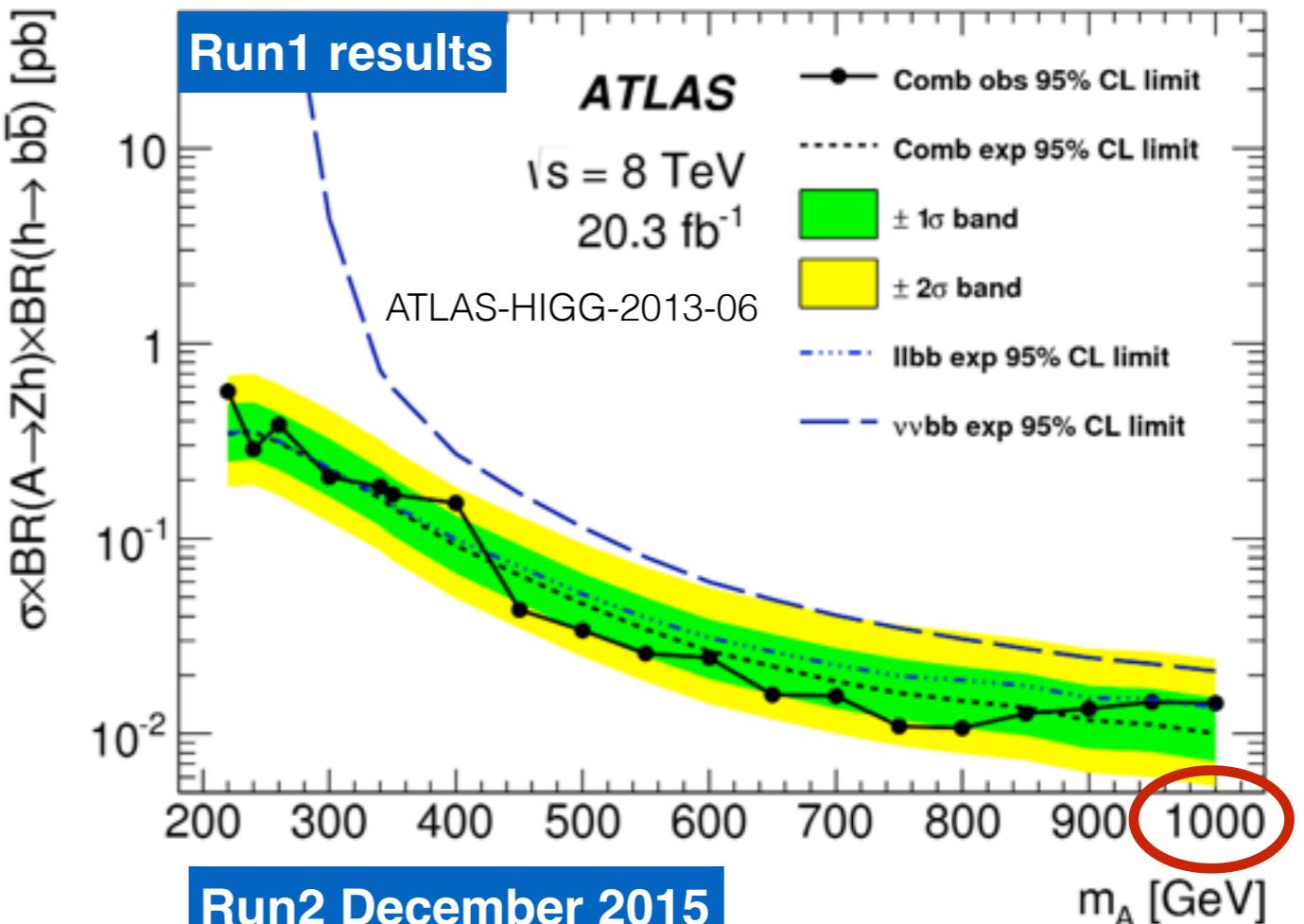
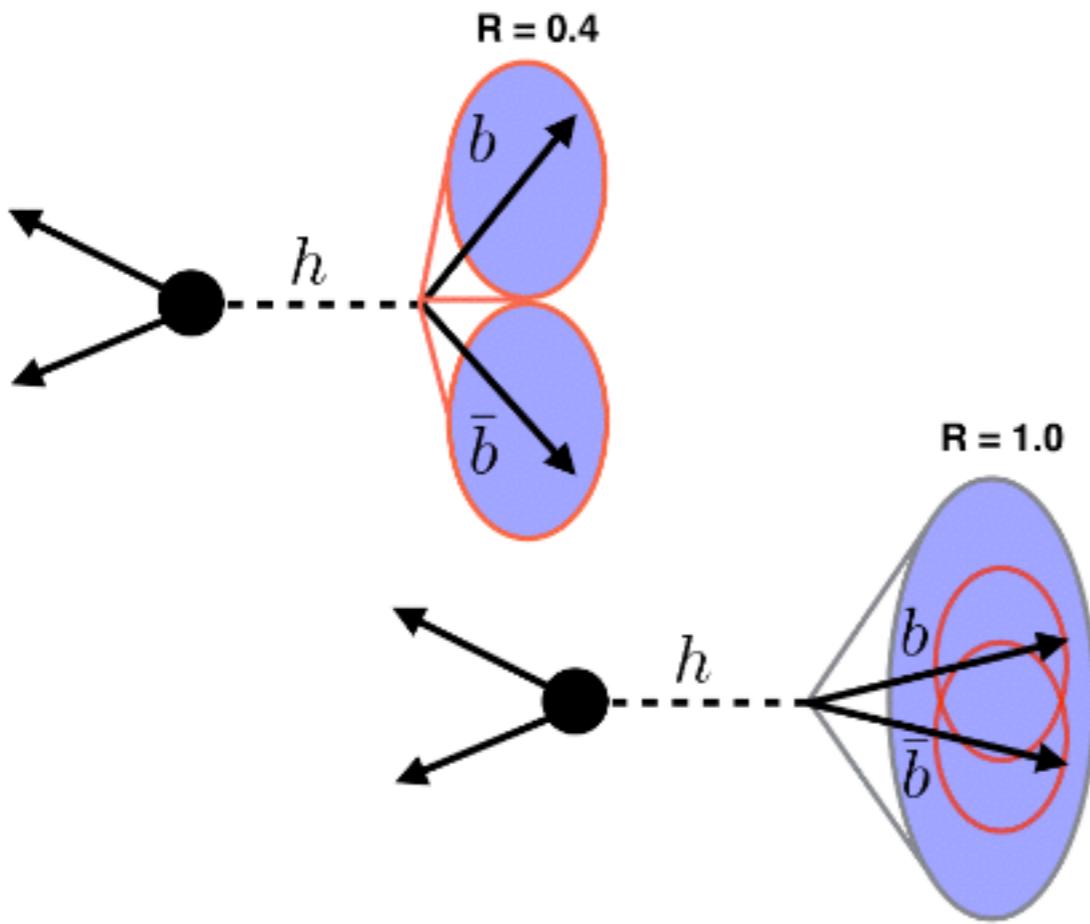
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[b-tagging on *track-jets* R=0.2]



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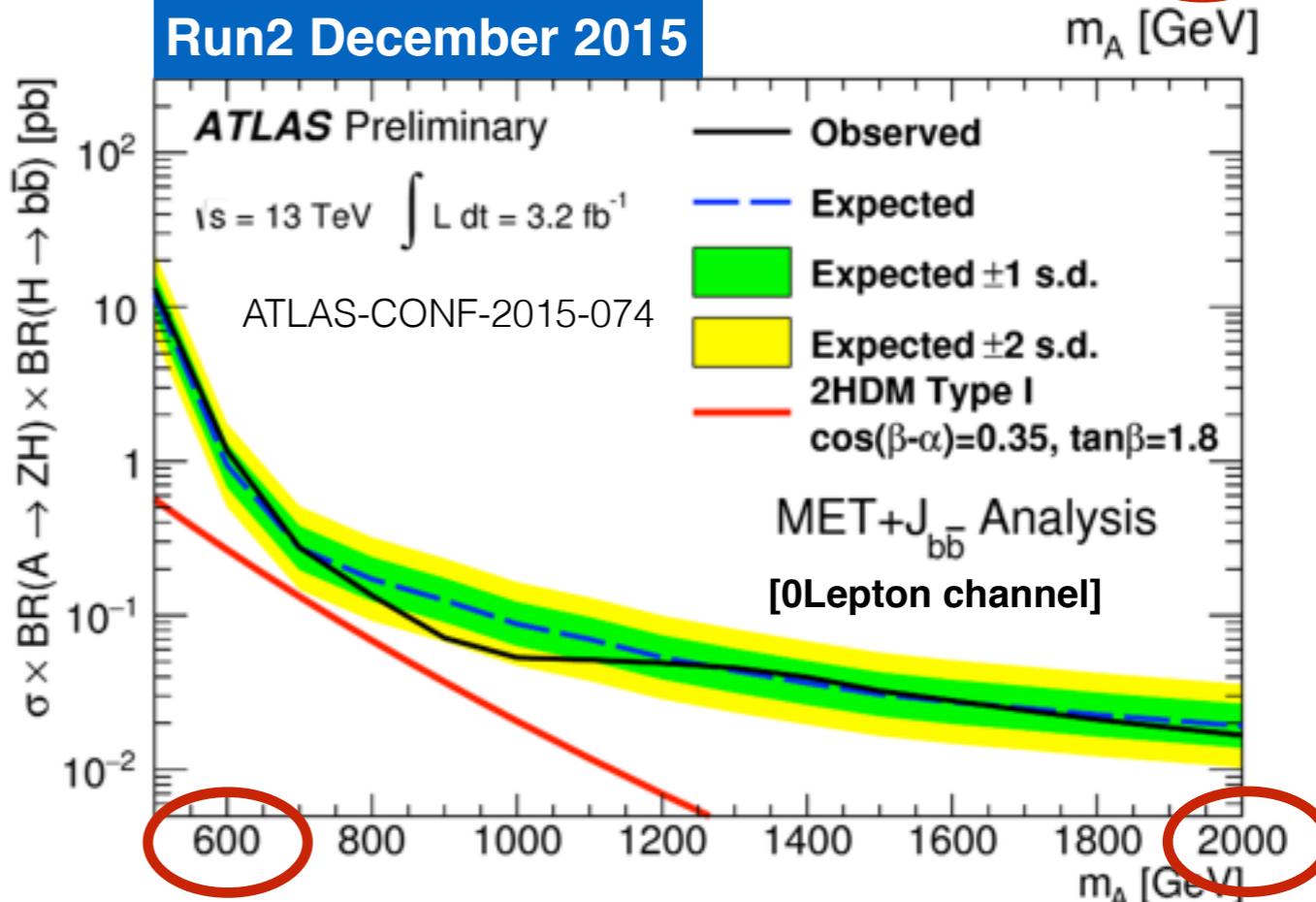
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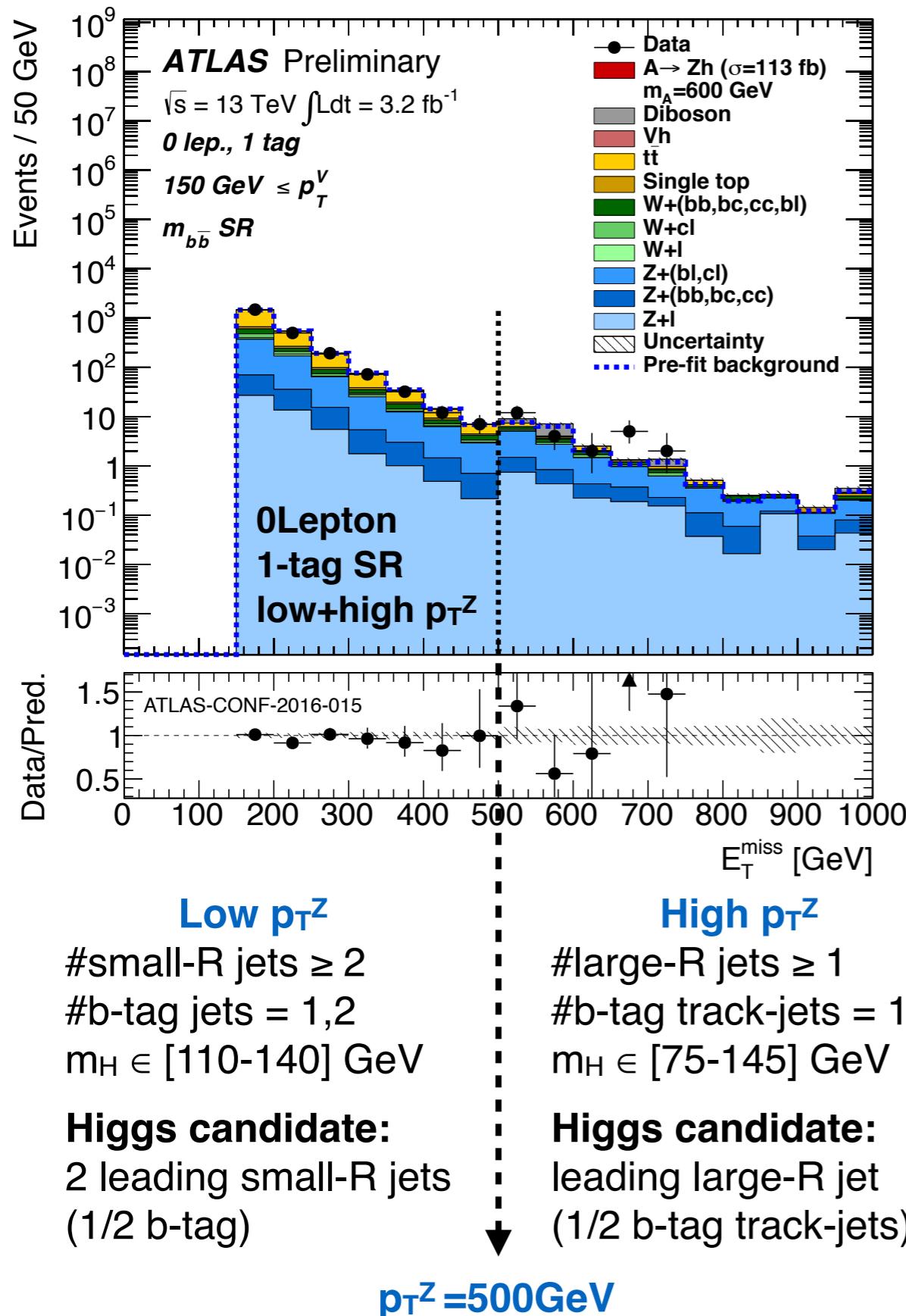
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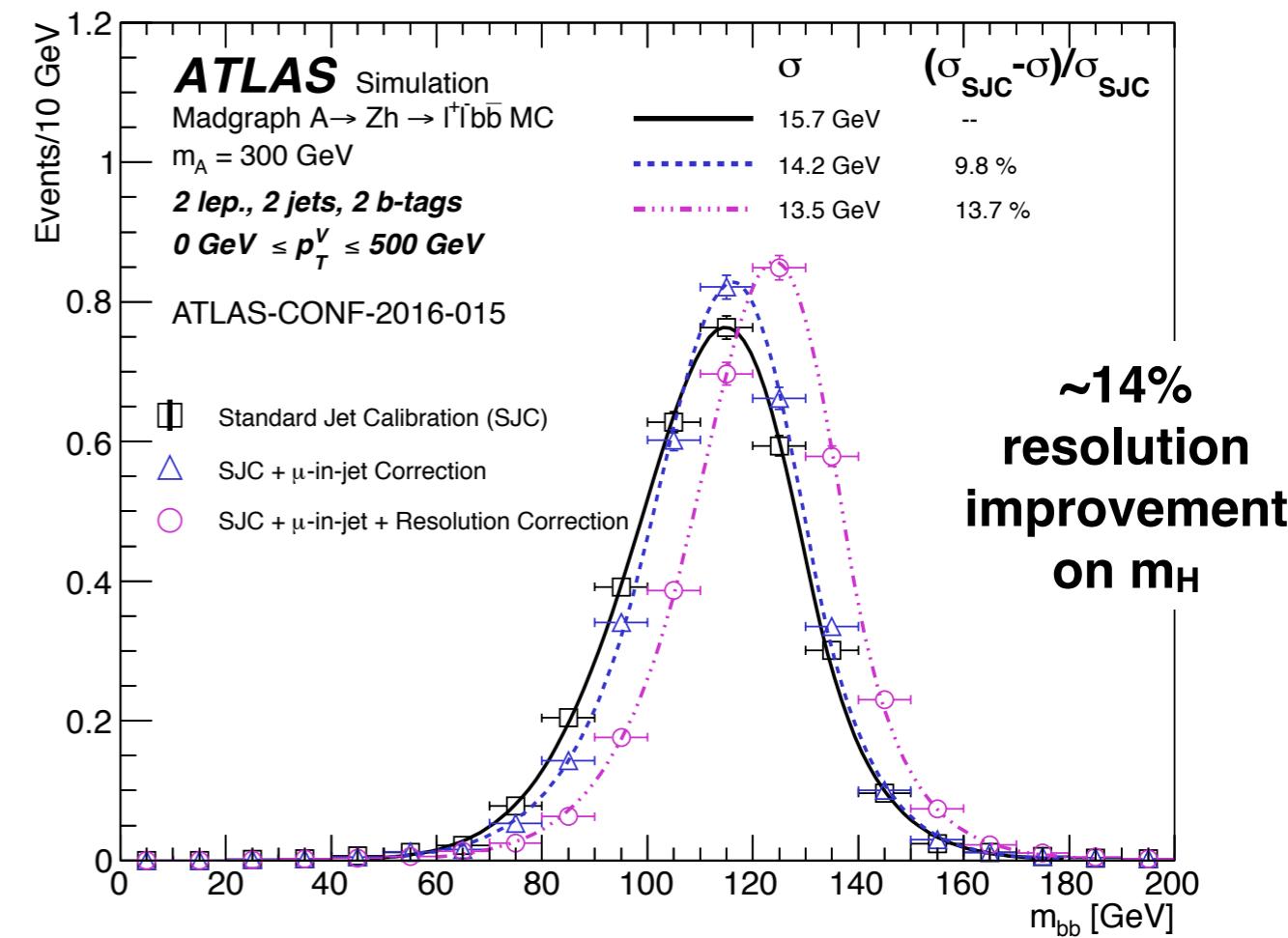
# A $\rightarrow$ Zh(bb): Analysis Overview and Selections

## SR Common Selection [Zh $\rightarrow$ (vv,l+l-)bb]



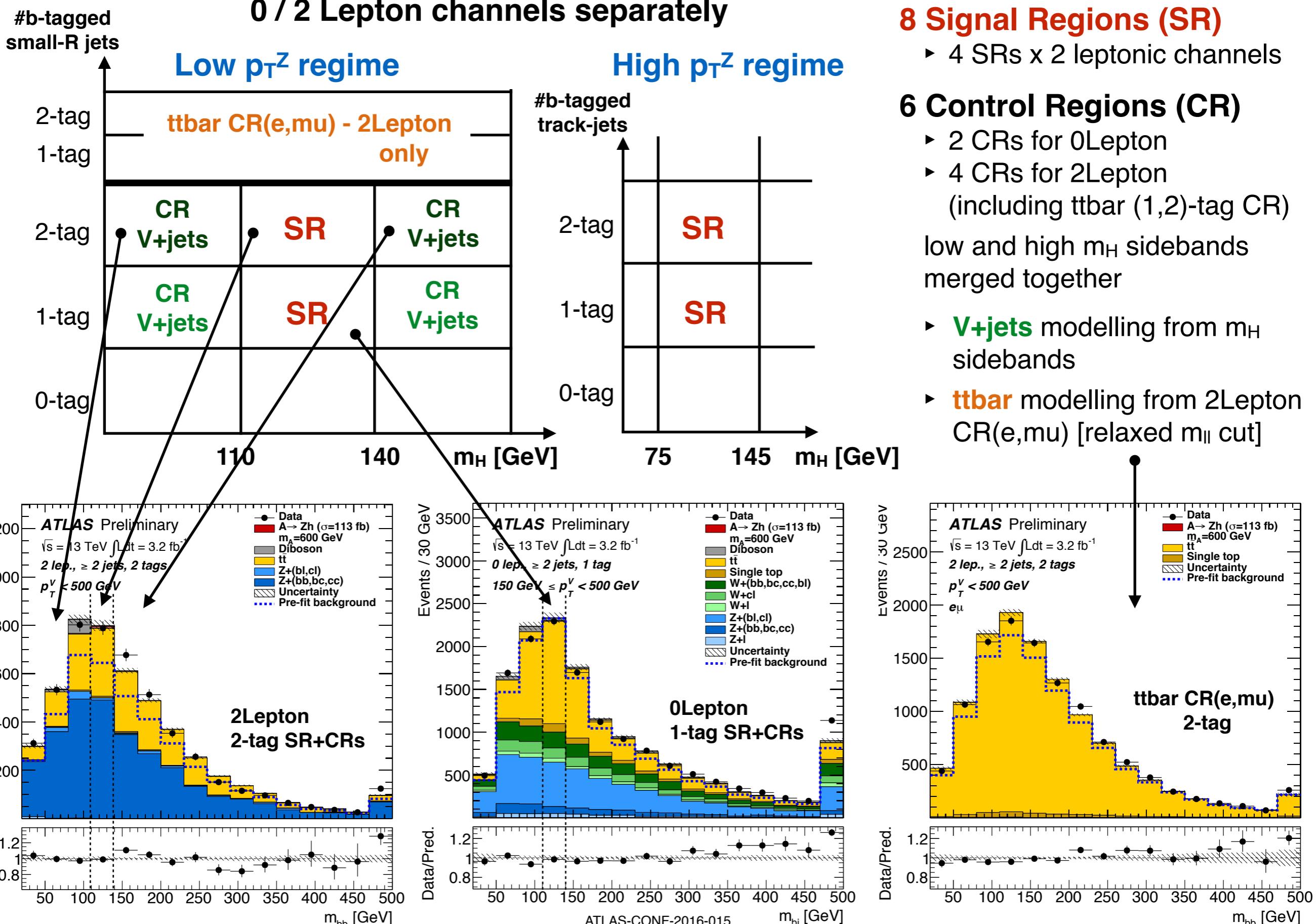
## b-jets Energy Corrections

- **semileptonic b-decays**  
add closest ( $\Delta R$ ) muon's energy to b-tagged jets
- **jet response correction** (small-R jets)  
multiplicative  $p_T$  response factor on b-jet 4vector



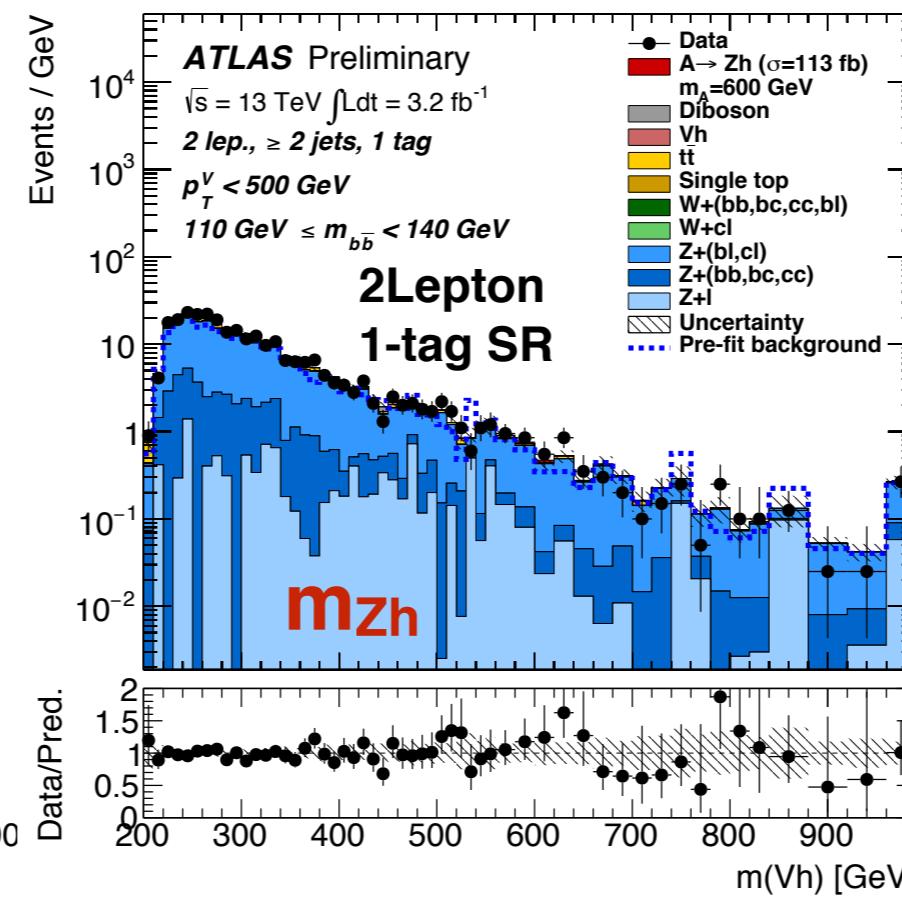
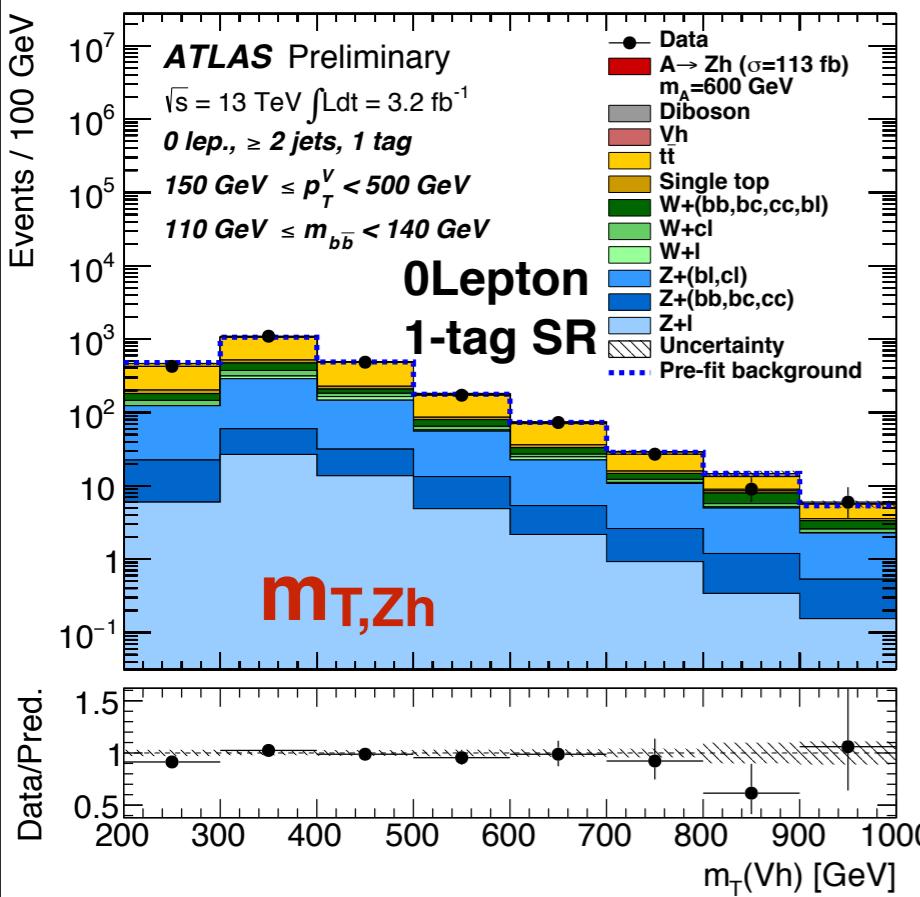
- 0Lepton:**
- high  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  ( $> 150 \text{ GeV}$ )
  - QCD-rejection cuts  
(topology + kinematic)
- 2Lepton:**
- low  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  ( $E_T^{\text{miss}}/\sqrt{H_T} < 3.5$ )
  - $m_{ll}$ -window around Z peak ( $l=e,\mu$ )

# A $\rightarrow$ Zh(bb): Signal and Control Regions



# A $\rightarrow$ Zh(bb): Systematic Uncertainties and Fit Model

Data fitted to MC prediction with binned profile likelihood ratio test statistic



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**Discriminating variable:**  
**m<sub>Zh</sub>** invariant mass (2Lepton)  
**m<sub>T,Zh</sub>** transverse mass (0Lepton)

$$m_{T,Zh} = \sqrt{(E_T^h + E_T^{\text{miss}})^2 - (\vec{p}_T^h + \vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}})^2}$$

- ▶ **dominant experimental systematics:**

calibration/resolution of small-R and large-R jets energy, large-R jets mass (high p<sub>T</sub><sup>Z</sup>), b-tagging efficiency and mistag rate

- ▶ **theoretical systematics & background normalisation:**

**ttbar** (0Lepton / 2Lepton)

**Z+(bb,bc,cc) / Z+(bl,cl) / Z+l**

**W+(bb,bc,cc,bl) / W+cl / Z+l**

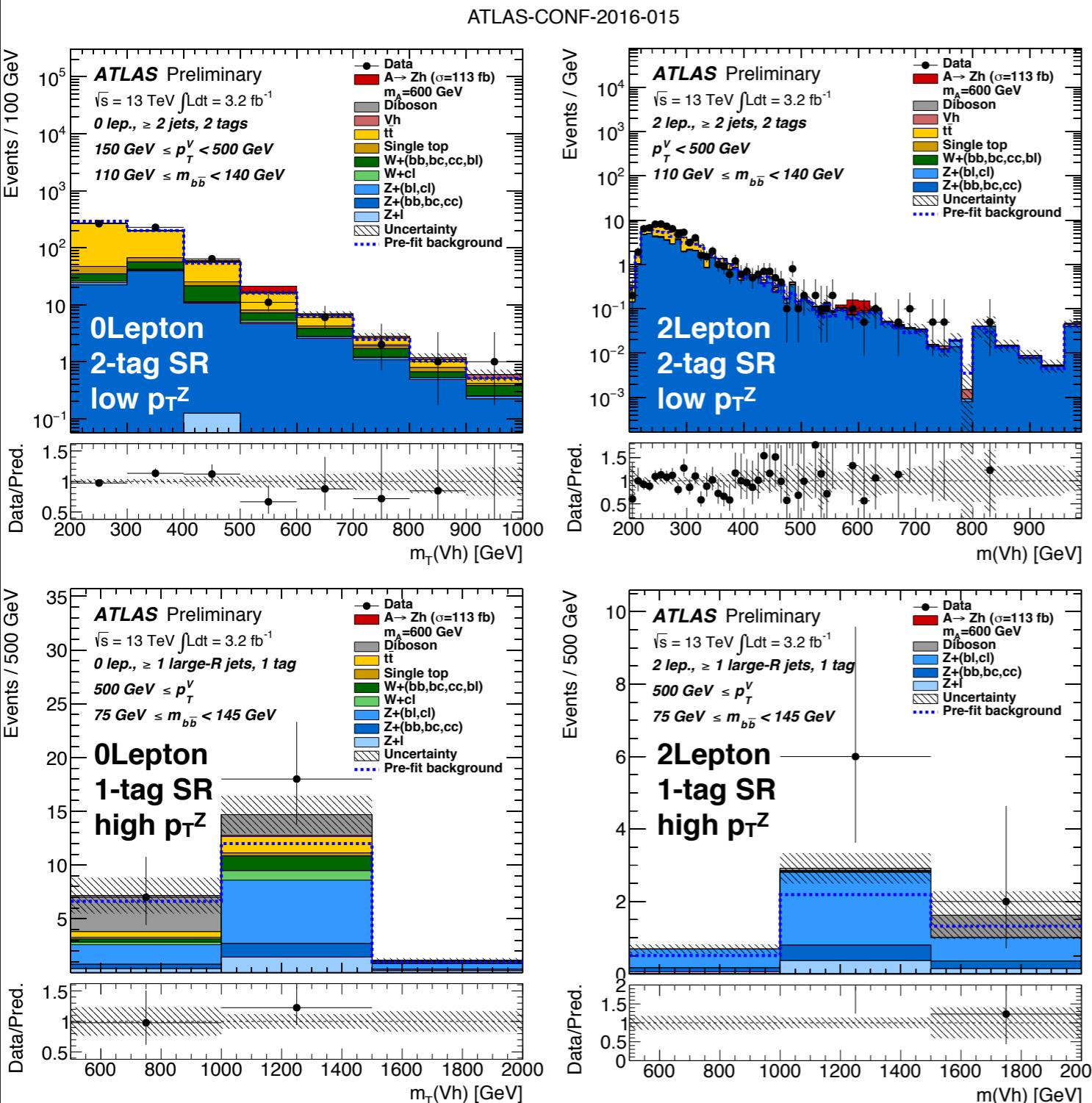


- ▶ overall normalisation freely floating (gaussian prior for the smaller contributions: Z+l, W+jets)
- ▶ relative acceptance variations across analysis categories
- ▶ systematic variation on the shape of **m<sub>Zh</sub>** (or **m<sub>T,Zh</sub>**)

Acceptance and/or shape systematics for the smaller backgrounds (diboson, single-top) and signals

**After the maximum likelihood fit to data, the total uncertainty on the signal cross-section (m<sub>A</sub>=600GeV) is dominated by data statistics (~80%)**

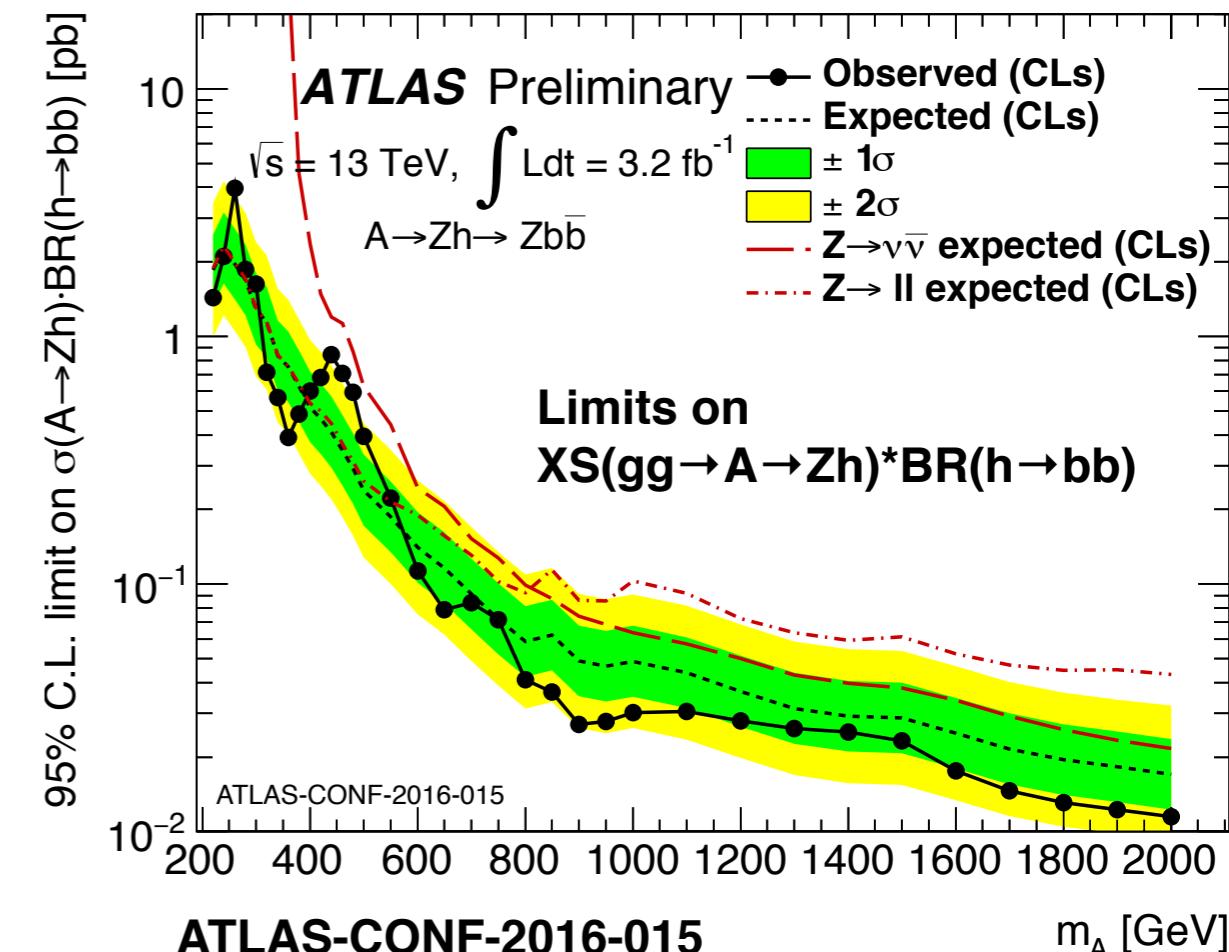
# A $\rightarrow$ Zh(bb): Results & Conclusions



**First Run2 combined result**

(low+high  $p_T^Z$ , 0+2Lepton channels)

**Run1 exclusion limits improved for  $m_A \gtrsim 800$  GeV**



**No significant excess over the background prediction is observed**  
exclusion limits set on the  $A \rightarrow Zh$  XS

**Two upward deviations from the background-only hypothesis**

$m_A = 260, 440$  GeV

[ local significance  $\sim 2\sigma$  ]

# A $\rightarrow$ Zh(bb): 2 Higgs Doublet Models Interpretation

The results can be interpreted in the framework of **Type-I** and **Type-II** 2HD models:

## 2HDMs

1 charged-scalar

1 pseudo-scalars

2 neutral-scalars

$$\tan(\beta) = \sqrt{2}/v_1$$

( $\beta$  = rotation angle that diagonalises the squared mass matrices of charged scalars and pseudo scalars)

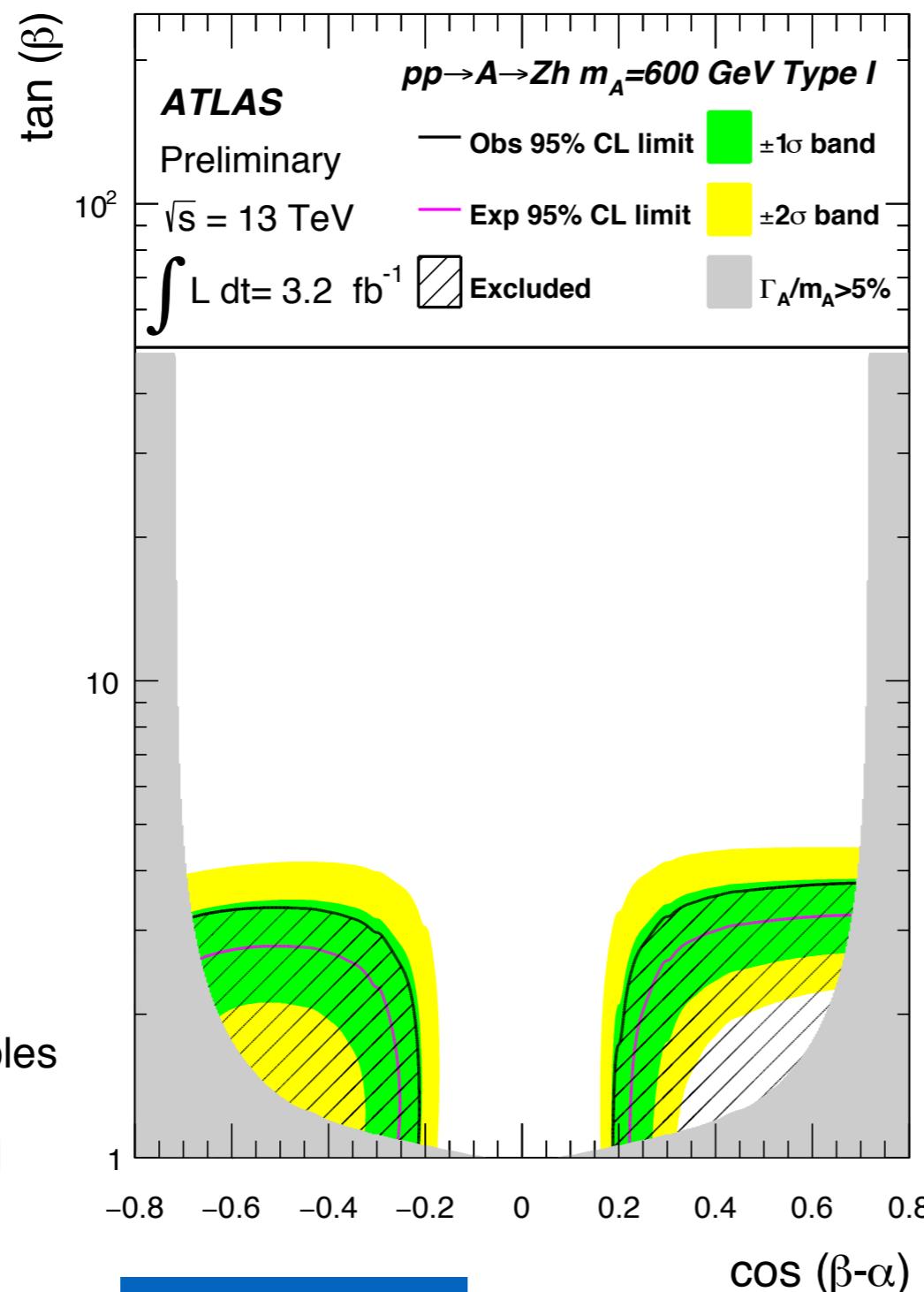
$$\cos(\beta-\alpha)$$

( $\alpha$  = rotation angle that diagonalises the squared mass matrix of the scalars)

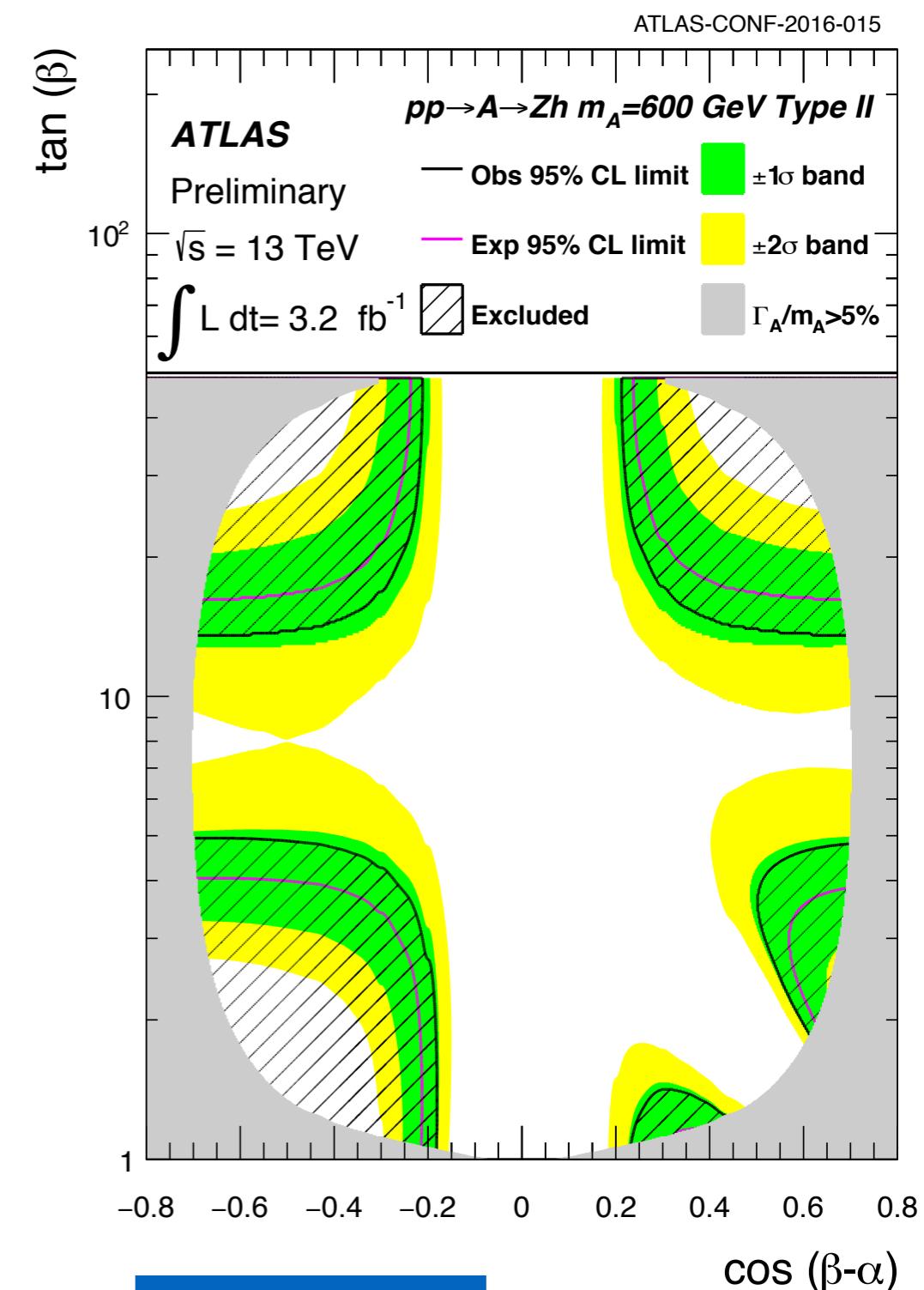
Avoid tree-level FCNC imposing discrete symmetries:

- **Type I**: all quarks couple to 1 of the doublets
- **Type II**: Q=2/3 RH and Q=-1/3 RH couple to different doublets

exclusion limits are shown for  $m_A=600$  GeV in the  $\tan(\beta) / \cos(\beta-\alpha)$  plane, for points in the parameter space with  $\Gamma_A/m_A < 5\%$



Type-I 2HDM



Type-II 2HDM

# Conclusions and Outlook

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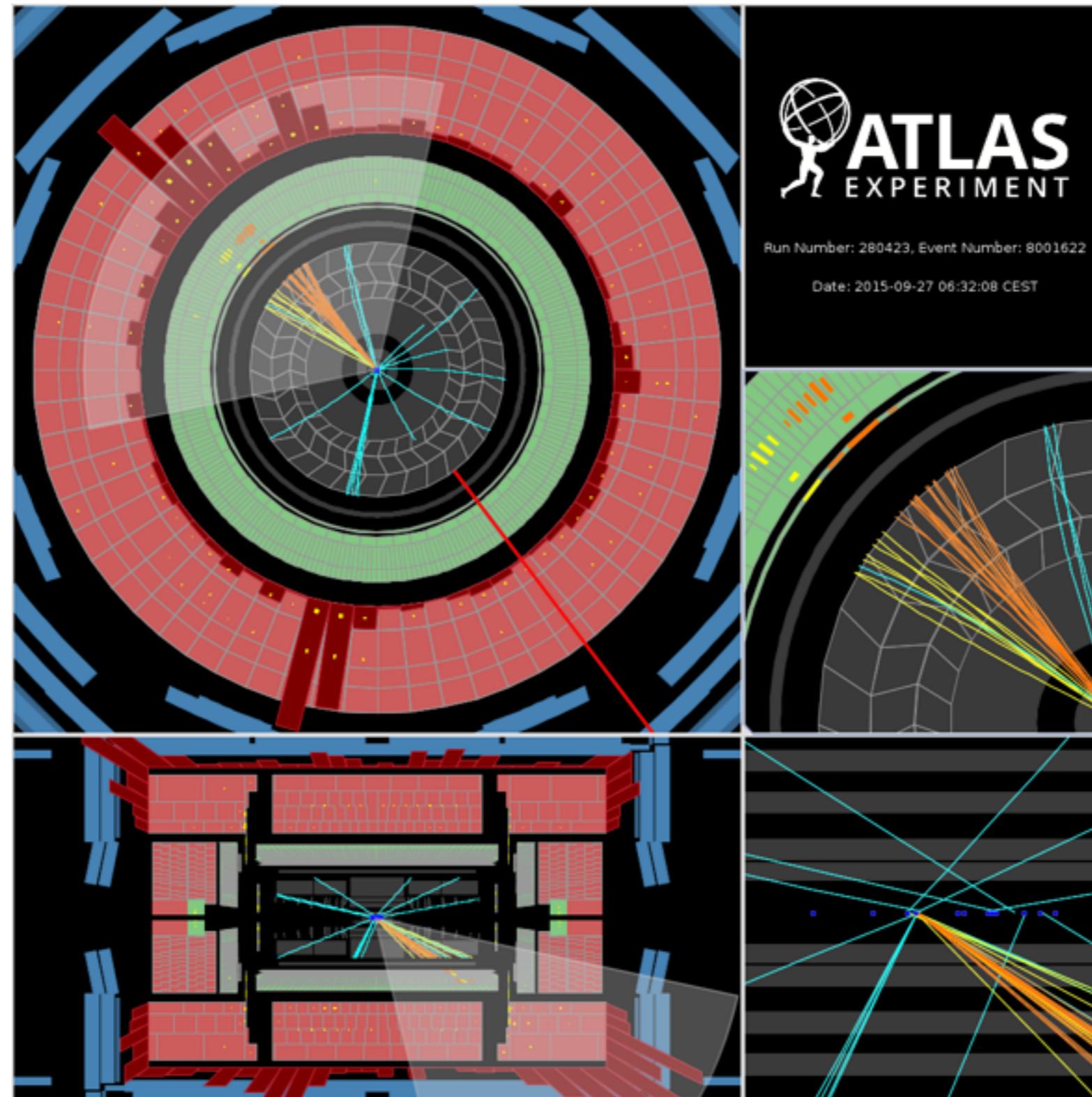
- ▶ We do have a very solid Run1 analysis, from which we learnt the fundamental aspects of this search: starting from a solid ground
- ▶ Moving **now** to look at the 13TeV data:
  - ▶ very promising prospects for the Run2 dataset
  - ▶ HEFT good candidate for an interesting interpretation

Looking forward to the 13TeV results!

## A $\rightarrow$ Zh ( $h \rightarrow bb$ ): 2HDM A boson search

- ▶ We had a first comprehensive look at the Zh(bb) phase space, combining both resolved and merged regimes
- ▶ So far no significant excess, but important to keep looking with the new data (since **statistics** is the largest limitation), and identify the aspects of the analysis that can be further improved

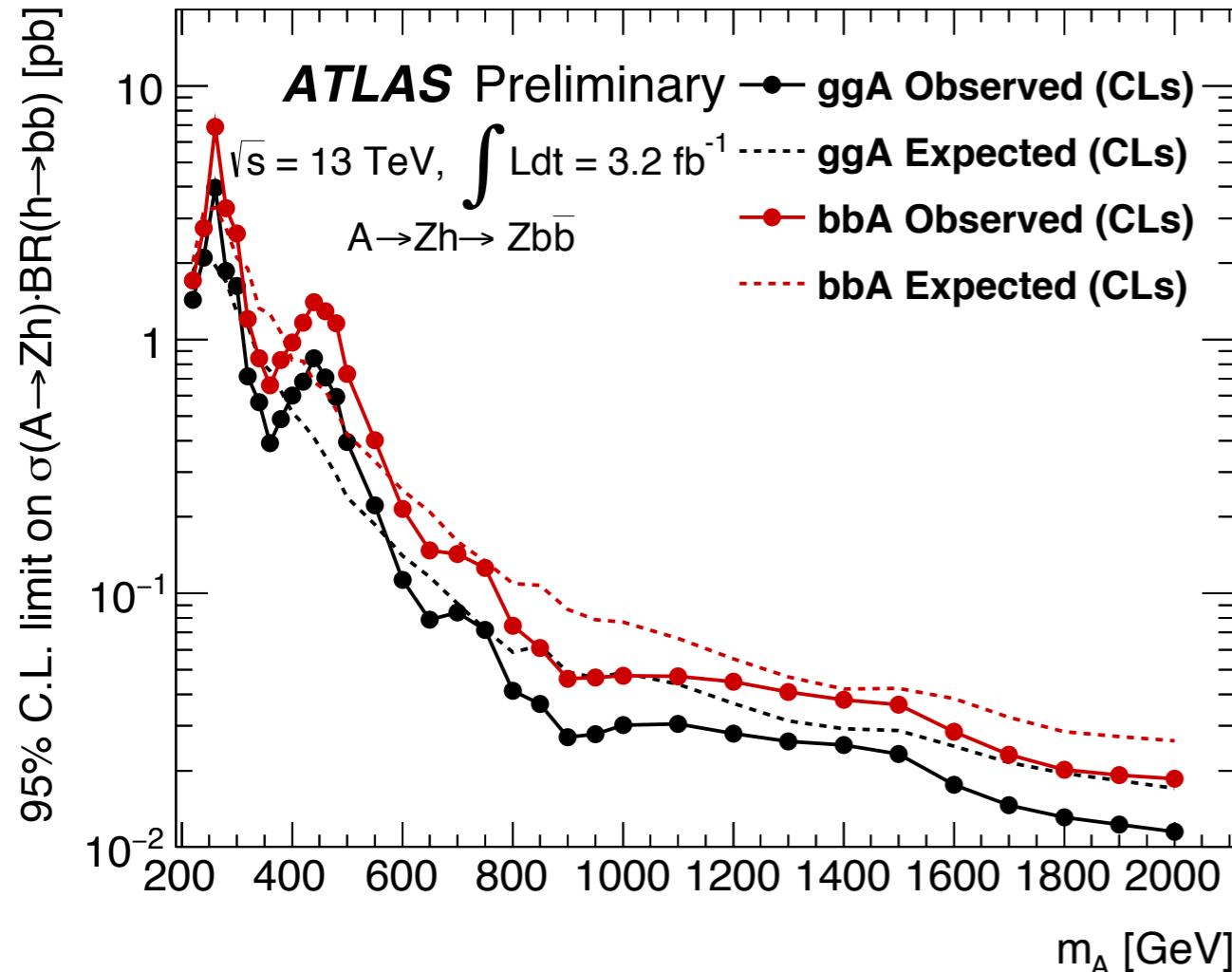
# Back-Up



0Lepton  
2-tag SR  
high  $p_T^Z$  event

$m_{T,Zh} = 985 \text{ GeV}$

# Cross-Section Limits: bbA vs ggA production

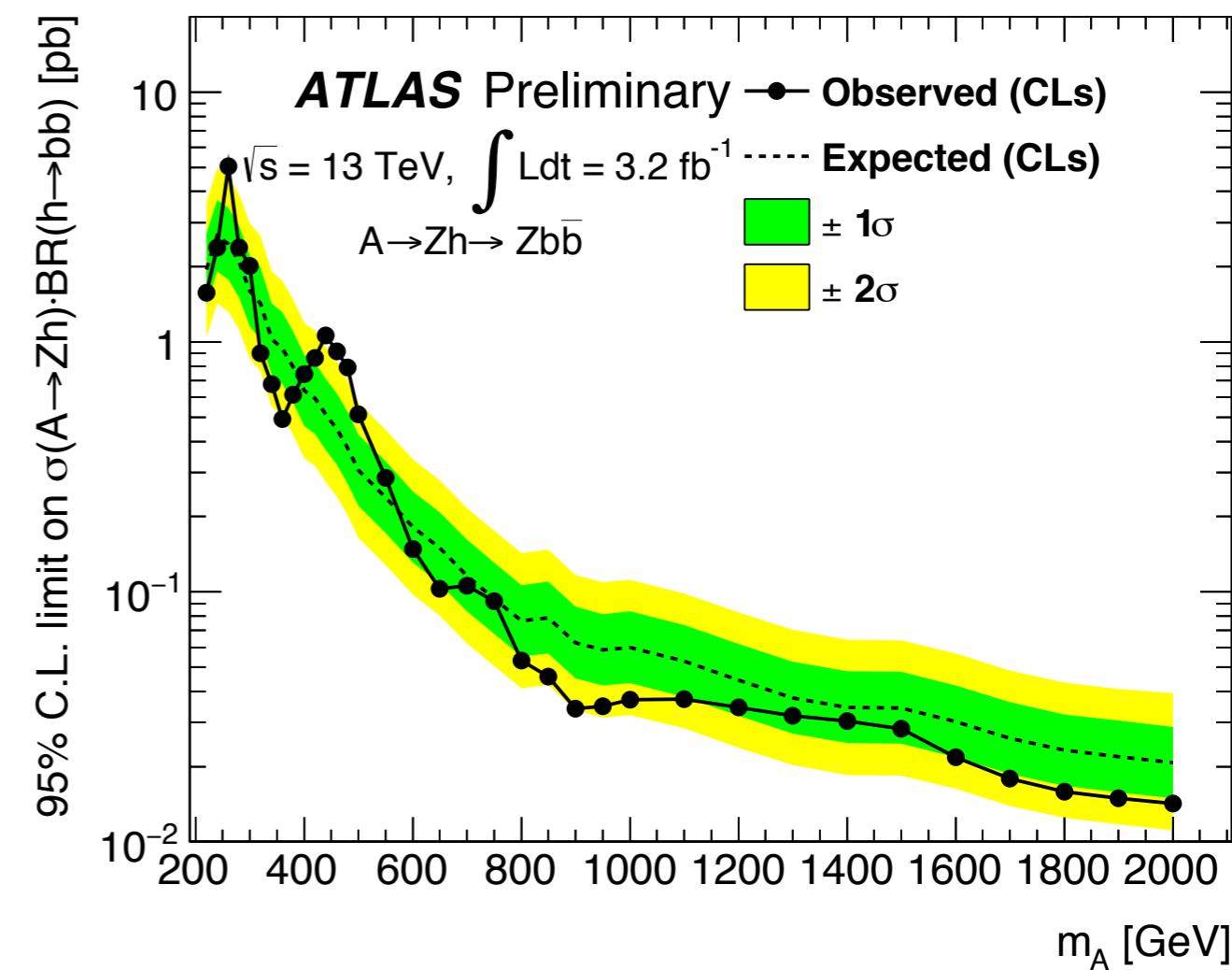


**Limits on an equal mixture of gluon-fusion and b-quark associated production**

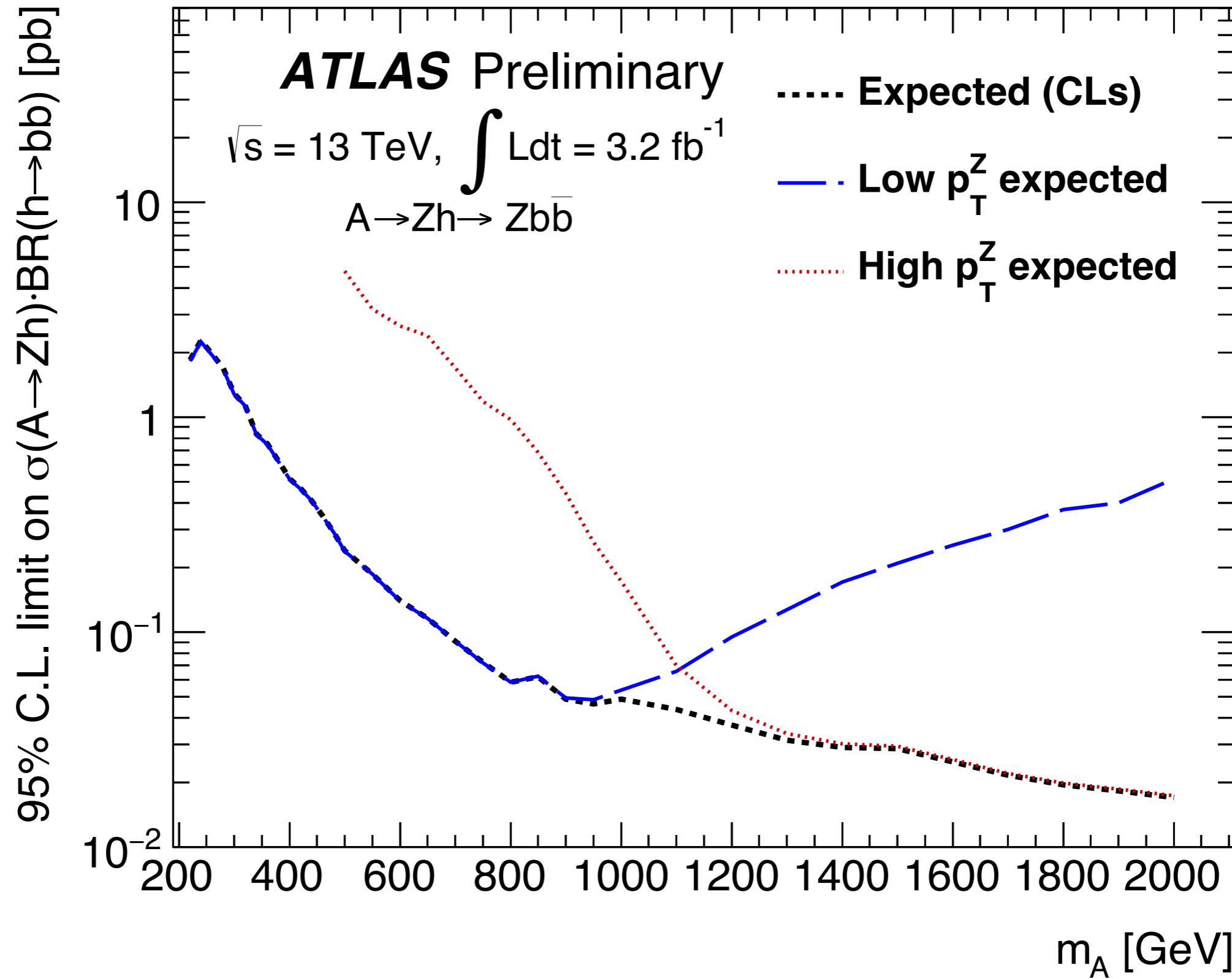
- ▶ 50%[bb $\rightarrow$ A $\rightarrow$ Zh] + 50%[gg $\rightarrow$ A $\rightarrow$ Zh]

**Limits on**

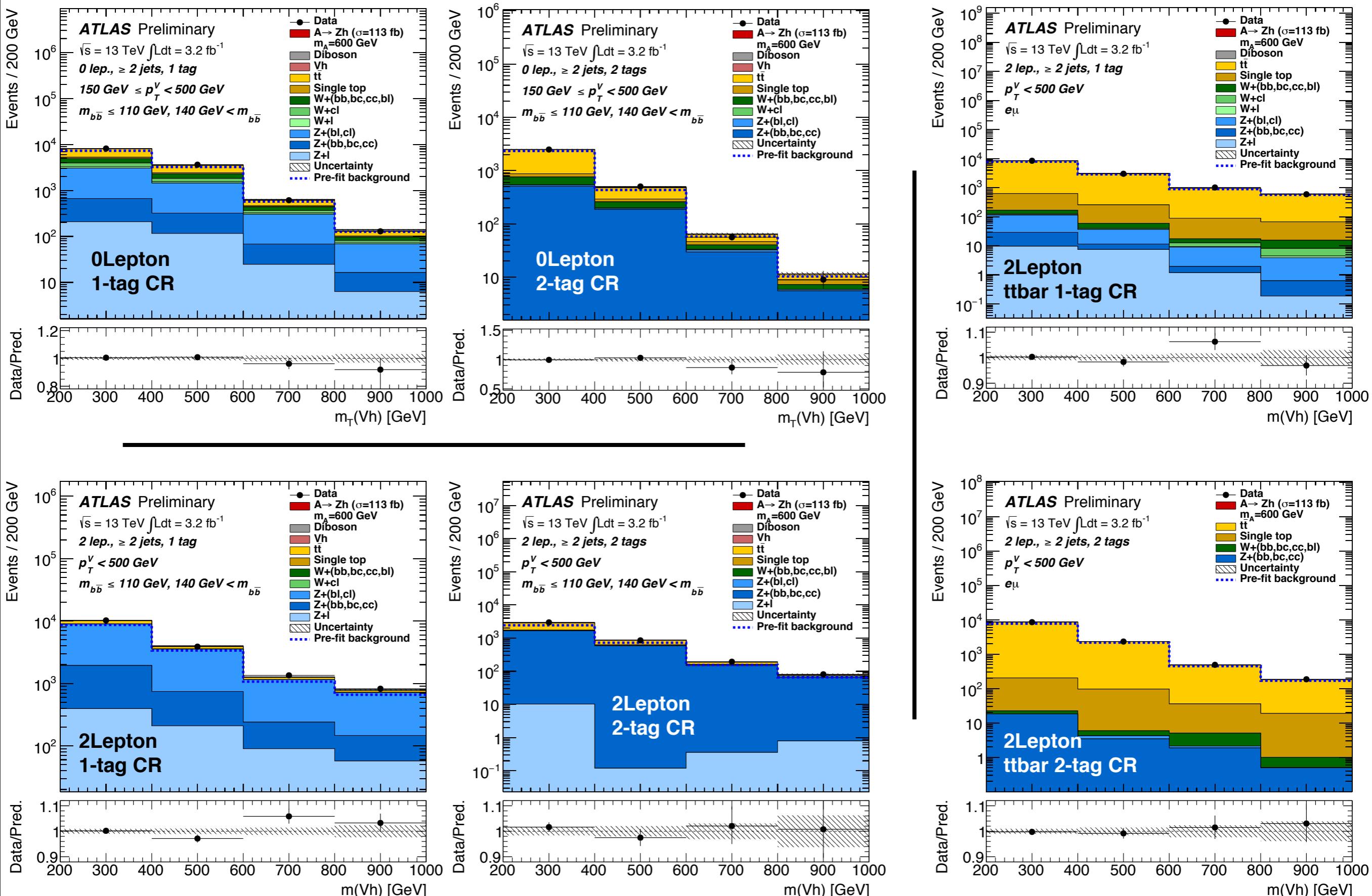
- ▶  $\text{XS(bb} \rightarrow A \rightarrow \text{Zh)} * \text{BR}(h \rightarrow b\bar{b})$
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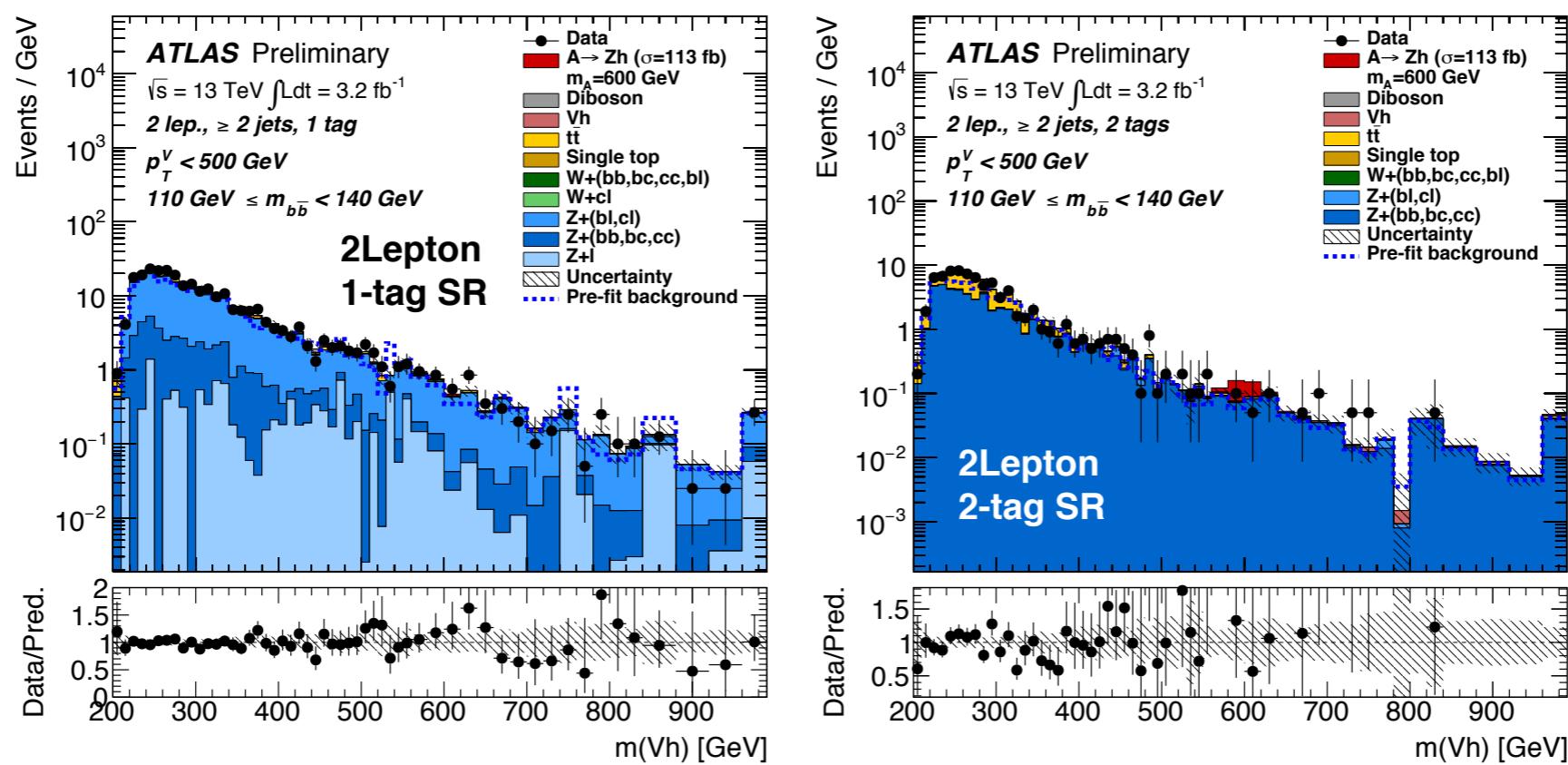
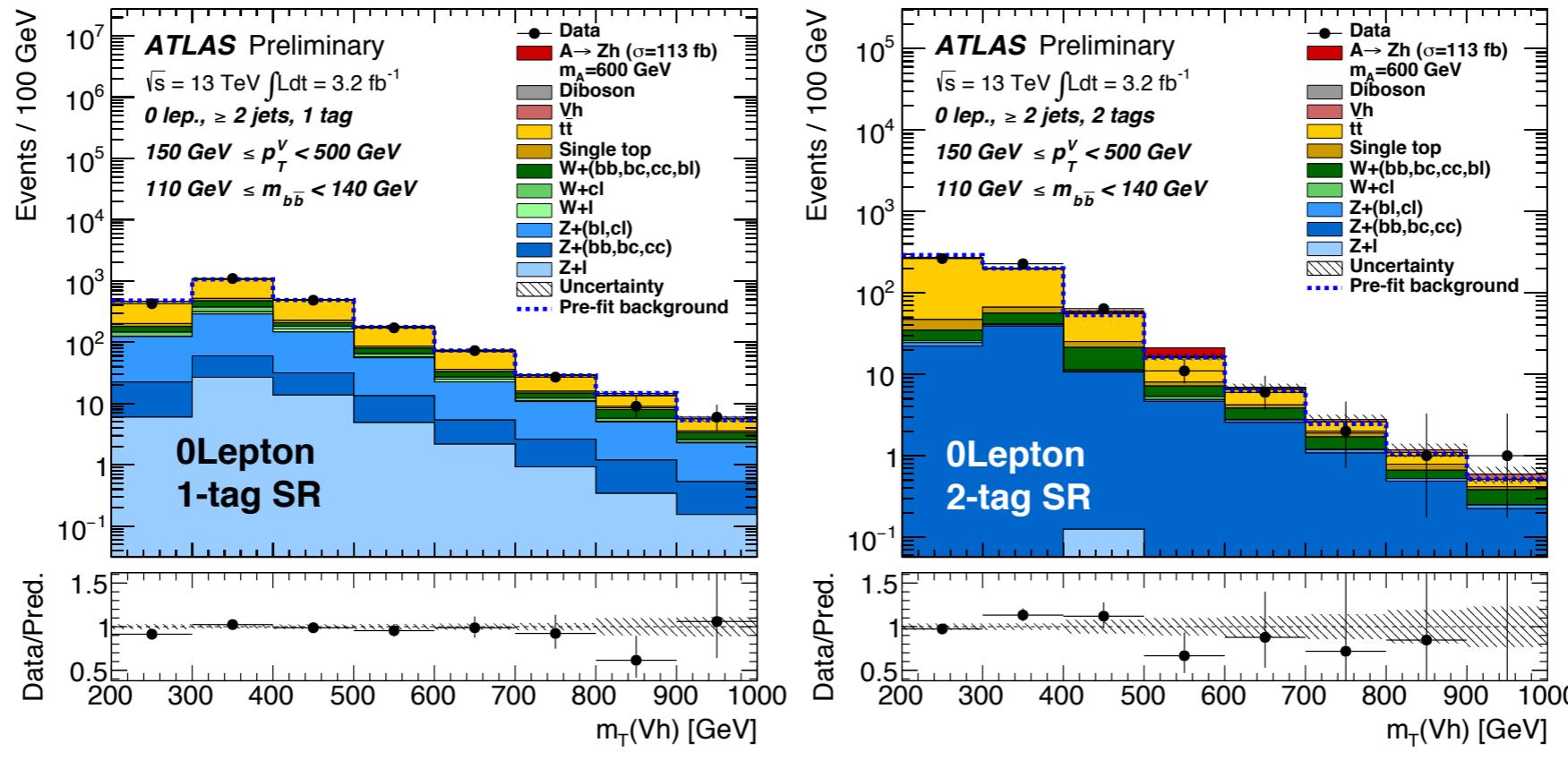
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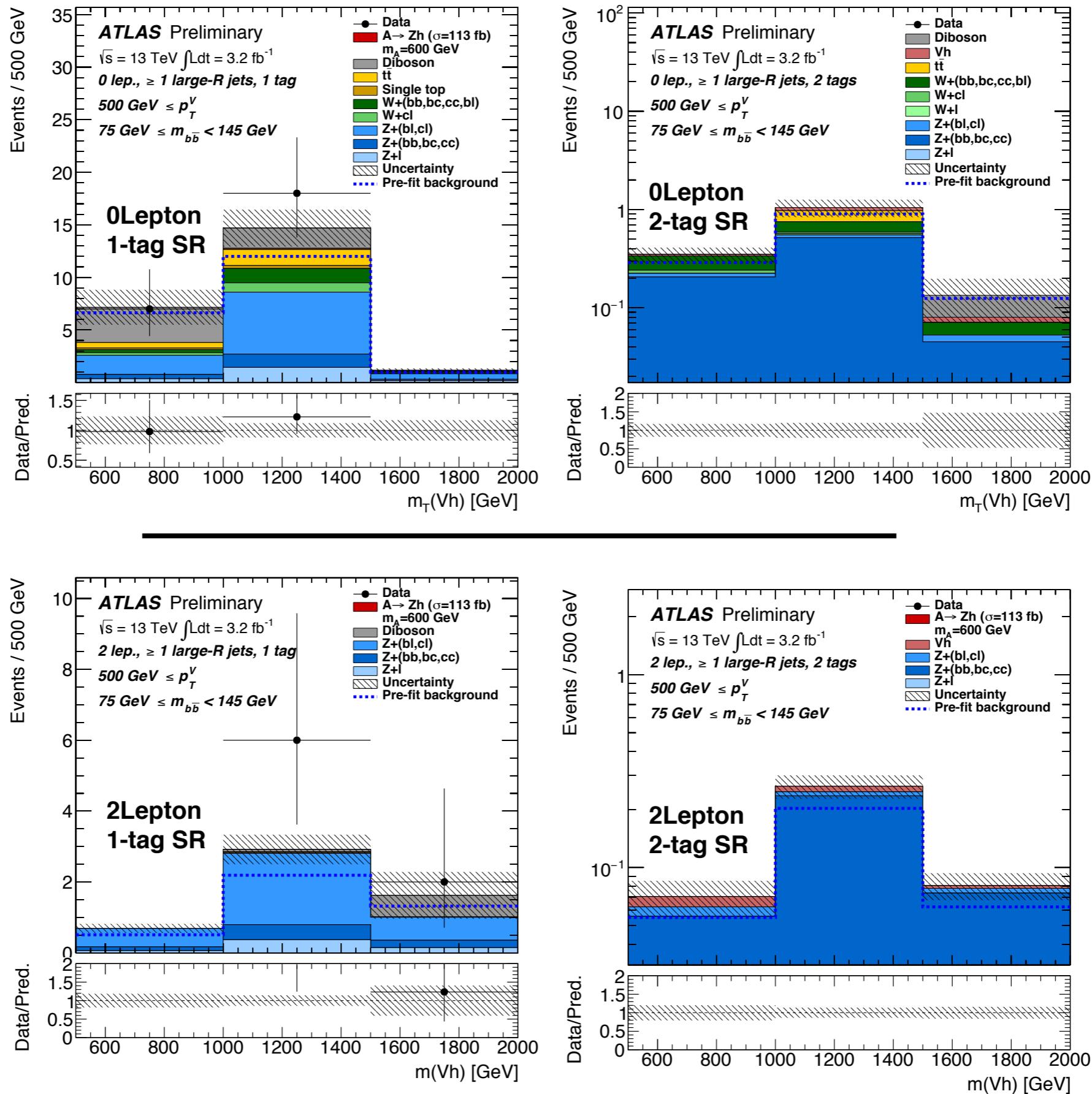
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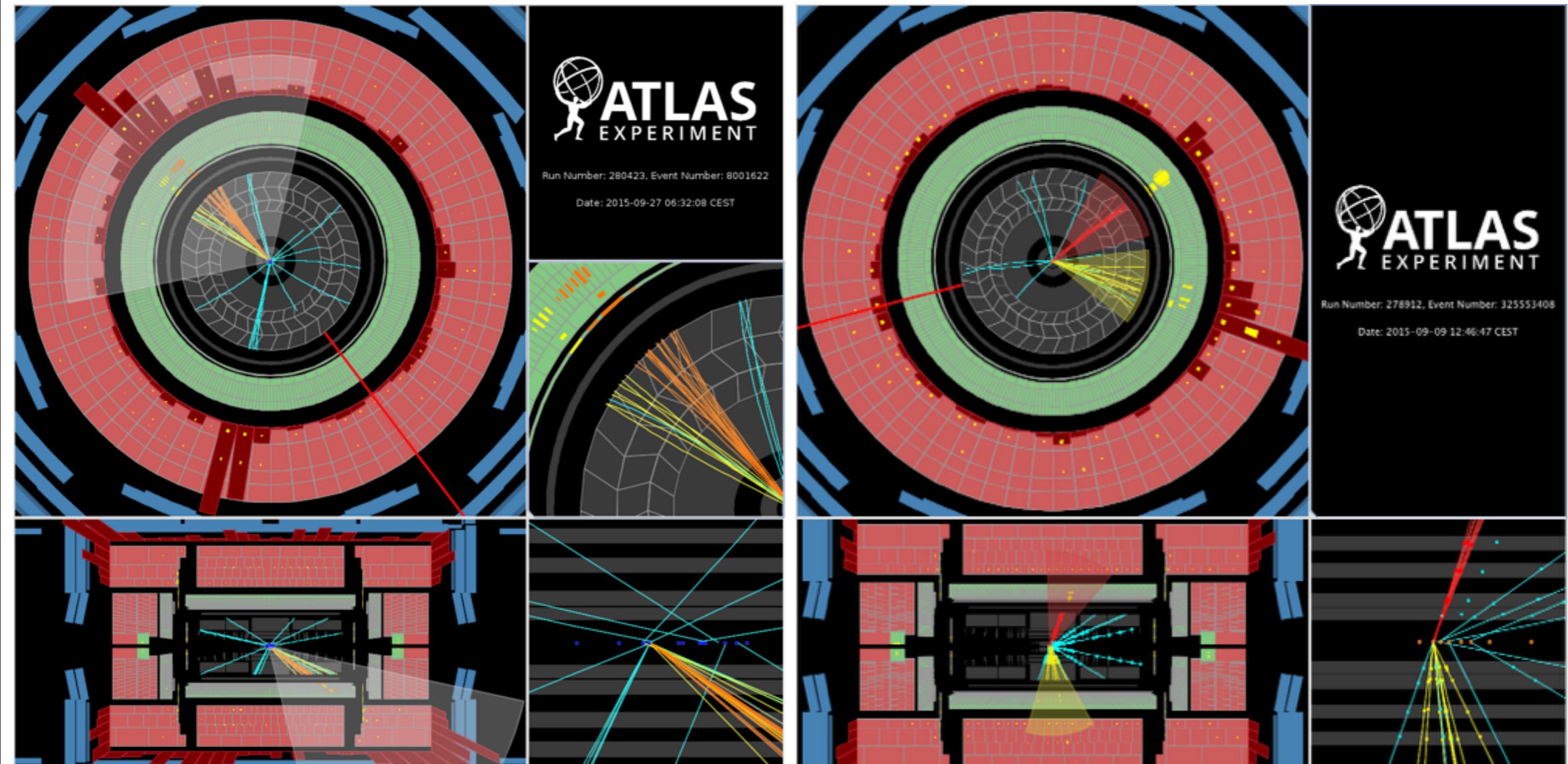
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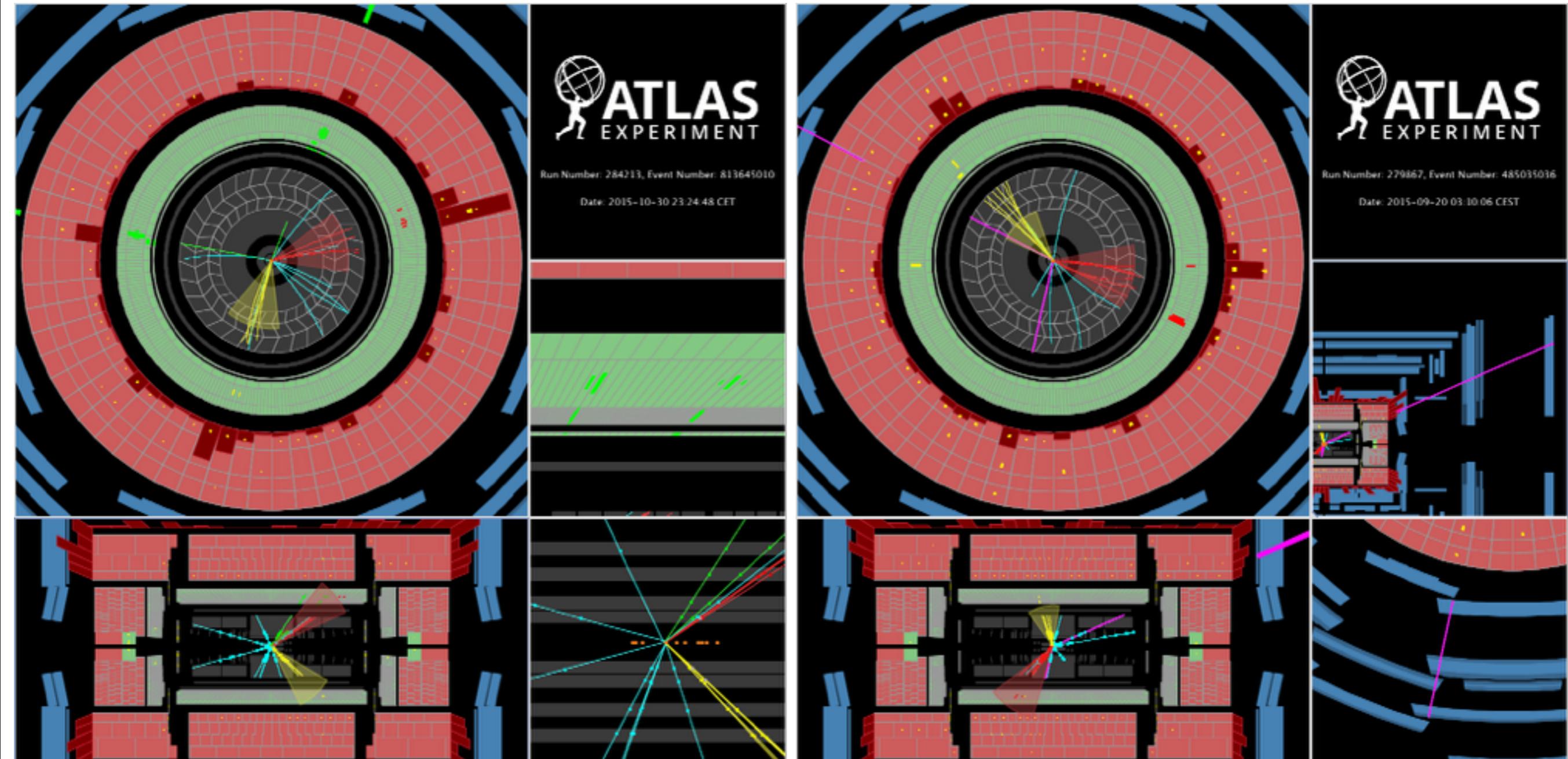
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High  $p_T^z$

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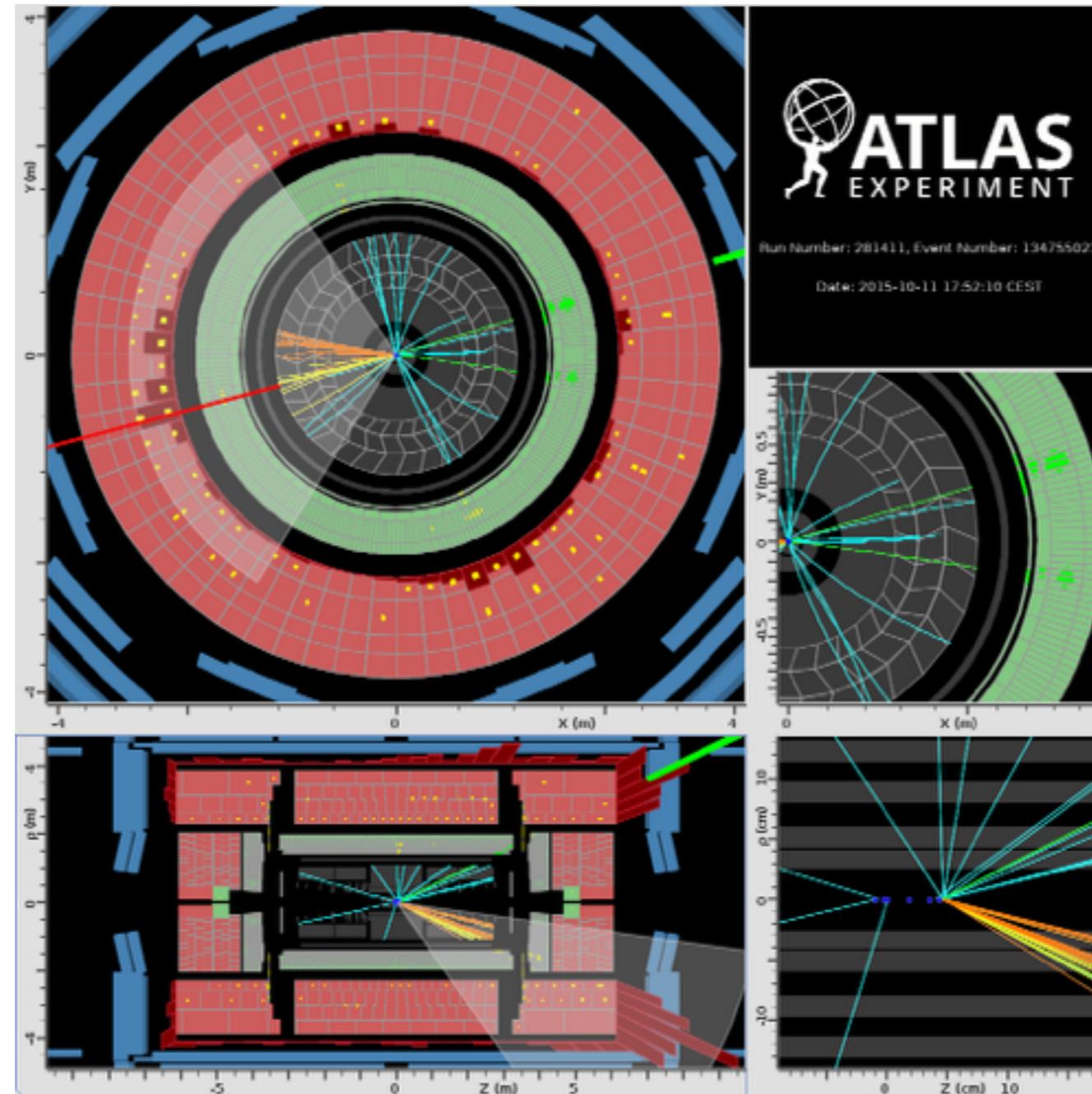
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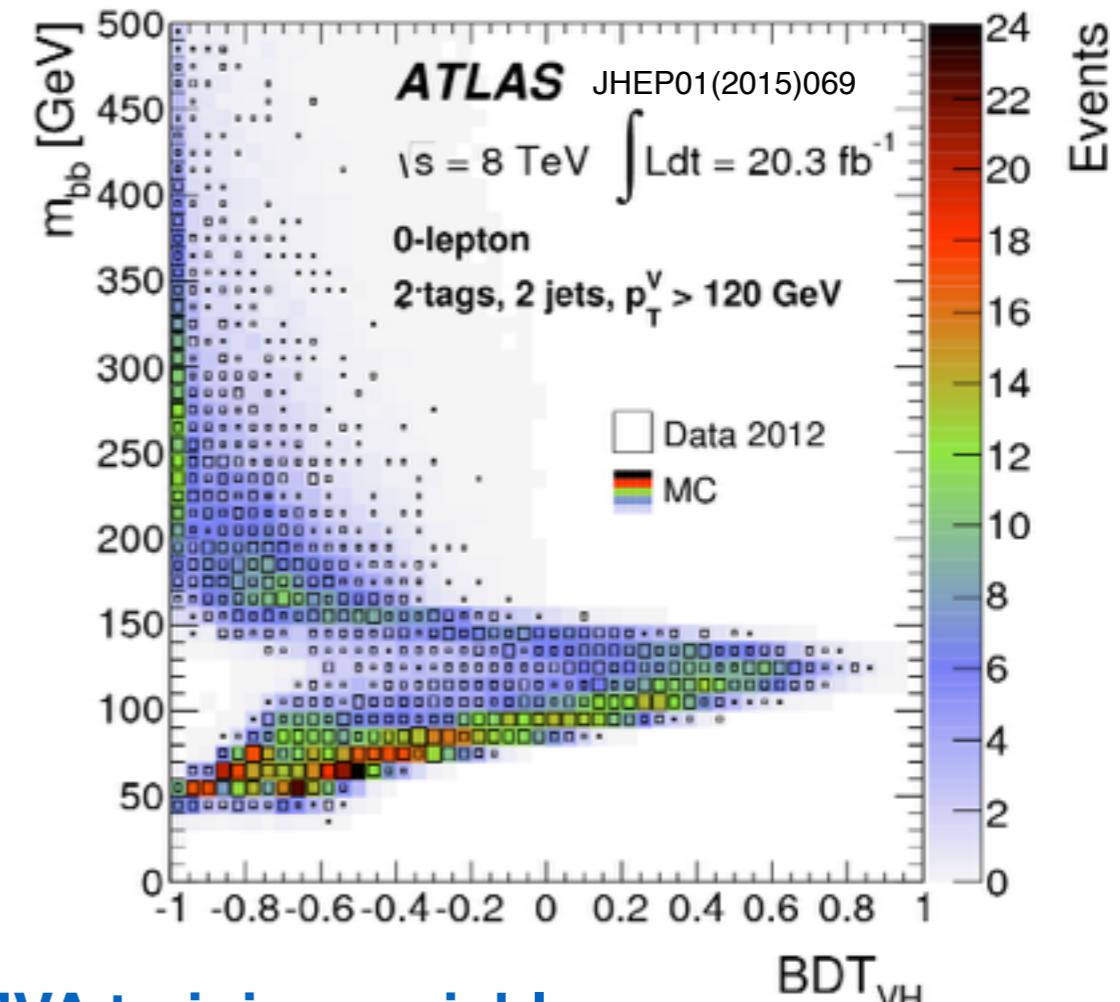


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$m_{bb}$	×	×	×
$\Delta R(b_1, b_2)$	×	×	×
$ \Delta\eta(b_1, b_2) $	×		×
$\Delta\phi(V, bb)$	×	×	×
$ \Delta\eta(V, bb) $			×
$H_T$	×		
$\min[\Delta\phi(\ell, b)]$		×	
$m_T^W$		×	
$m_{\ell\ell}$			×
$MV1c(b_1)$	×	×	×
$MV1c(b_2)$	×	×	×
	Only in 3-jet events		
$p_T^{\text{jet}_3}$	×	×	×
$m_{bbj}$	×	×	×



## MVA training variables:

- ▶ as consistent as possible across lepton channels
- ▶ study of data/MC modelling and correlations
- ▶ most powerful:  $\mathbf{m}_{bb}$ ,  $\Delta\mathbf{R}(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{b})$ ,  $\mathbf{p}_T^V$

We do not cut on the BDT output: the full BDT shape distribution is used as discriminating variable in a **combined Profile Likelihood Fit**

# H $\rightarrow$ bb @ LHC

## The global picture looking at ATLAS & CMS (Run1)

### ATLAS Hbb combination (VH+ttH)

significance =  $1.7 \sigma_{\text{obs}}$  ( $2.7 \sigma_{\text{exp}}$ ),  
signal strength  $\mu = 0.63 \pm 0.4$

### CMS Hbb combination (VH+ttH+VBF)

significance =  $2.6 \sigma_{\text{obs}}$  ( $2.7 \sigma_{\text{exp}}$ ),  
signal strength  $\mu = 1.0 \pm 0.4$

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### CMS VHbb standalone

significance =  $2.08 \sigma_{\text{obs}}$  ( $2.52 \sigma_{\text{exp}}$ ),  
signal strength  $\mu = 0.89 \pm 0.43$

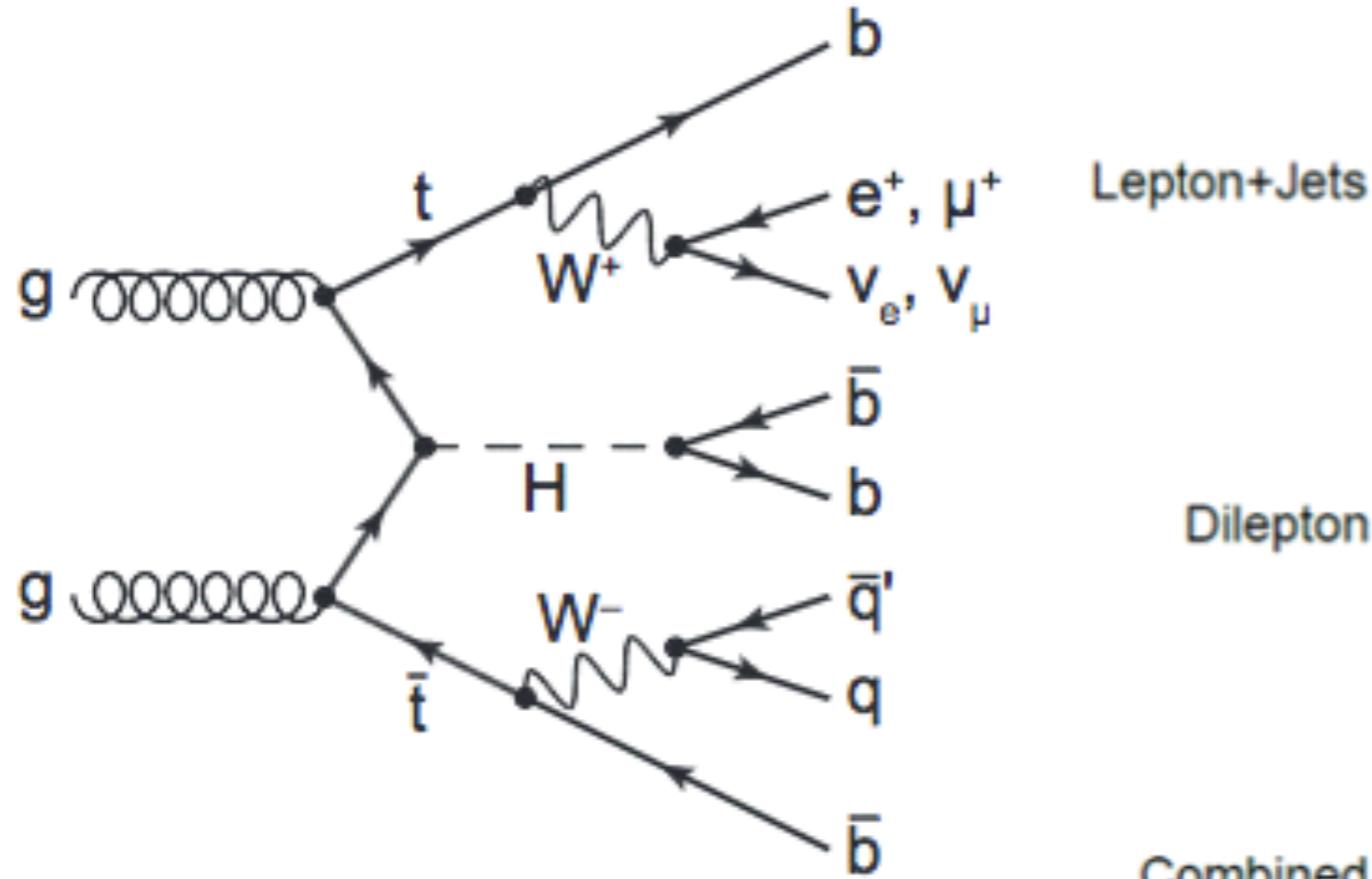


H $\rightarrow$ bb Channel	Best fit (68% CL) Observed	Upper limits (95% CL) Observed	Upper limits (95% CL) Expected	Signal significance	
				Observed	Expected
VH	$0.89 \pm 0.43$	1.68	0.85	2.08	2.52
t $\bar{t}$ H	$0.7 \pm 1.8$	4.1	3.5	0.37	0.58
VBF	$2.8^{+1.6}_{-1.4}$	5.5	2.5	2.20	0.83
Combined	$1.03^{+0.44}_{-0.42}$	1.77	0.78	2.56	2.70

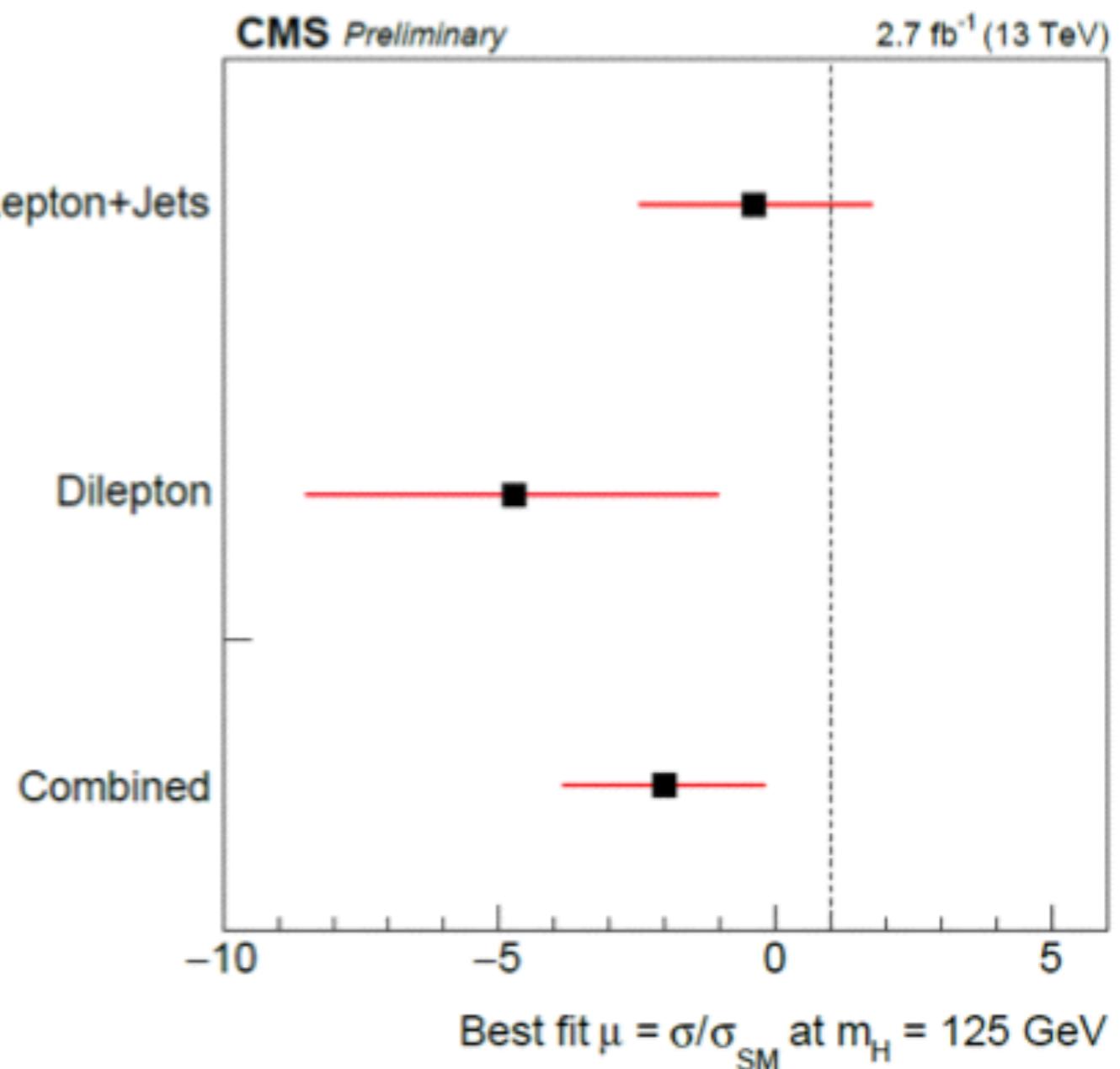
ttH(bb) from Run1

# H $\rightarrow$ bb @ LHC

The first Run2 results from CMS : ttH(bb)



CMS-PAS-HIG-16-004



$$\hat{\mu}_{\text{obs}} = -2.0^{+1.8}_{-1.8}$$

# b-tagging: Run1 vs Run2

“b-tagged jets” with MV1c:

Identify if they originated from b-quark fragmentation

b-jets efficiency	80%	50%
c-jets rejections	3	26
light-jets rejections	30	1400

## Mv2c Run2 b-tagging algorithm

b-jets efficiency	77%	50%
c-jets rejections	6	106
light-jets rejections	134	5700

# $\sim$ SM VHbb: Towards Run2 data [EFT]

CP-even dim-6 Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} \supset & \frac{\bar{c}_H}{2v^2} \partial^\mu [\Phi^\dagger \Phi] \partial_\mu [\Phi^\dagger \Phi] + \frac{g'^2}{m_W^2} \bar{c}_\gamma \Phi^\dagger \Phi B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{g_s^2}{m_W^2} \bar{c}_g \Phi^\dagger \Phi G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu} \\ & + \frac{2ig}{m_W^2} \bar{c}_{HW} [D^\mu \Phi^\dagger T_{2k} D^\nu \Phi] W_{\mu\nu}^k + \frac{ig'}{m_W^2} \bar{c}_{HB} [D^\mu \Phi^\dagger D^\nu \Phi] B_{\mu\nu} \\ & + \frac{ig}{m_W^2} \bar{c}_W [\Phi^\dagger T_{2k} \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi] D^\nu W_{\mu\nu}^k + \frac{ig'}{2m_W^2} [\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi] \partial^\nu B_{\mu\nu} \\ & + \frac{\bar{c}_t}{v^2} y_t \Phi^\dagger \Phi \Phi^\dagger \cdot \bar{Q}_L t_R + \frac{\bar{c}_b}{v^2} y_b \Phi^\dagger \Phi \Phi \cdot \bar{Q}_L b_R + \frac{\bar{c}_\tau}{v^2} y_\tau \Phi^\dagger \Phi \Phi \cdot \bar{L}_L \tau_R. \end{aligned}$$

Independent set of parameters for Higgs physics

$$\bar{c}_i \equiv \{\bar{c}_H, \bar{c}_{t,b,\tau}, \bar{c}_W, \bar{c}_{HW}, \bar{c}_{HB}, \bar{c}_\gamma, \bar{c}_g\}$$

Effective Lagrangian in terms of anomalous Higgs couplings (in mass basis, unitary gauge)

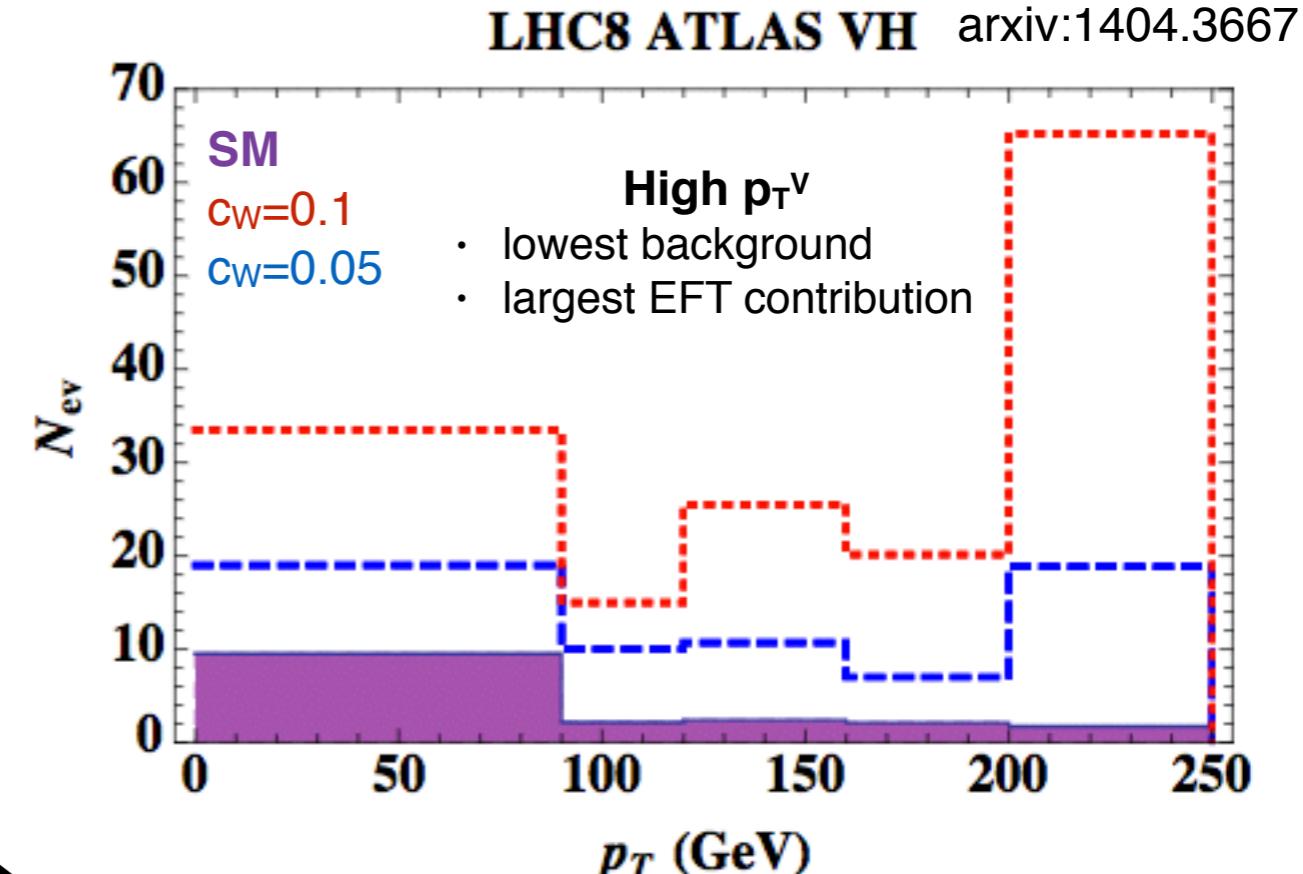
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} \supset & - \frac{1}{4} g_{HZZ}^{(1)} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} h - g_{HZZ}^{(2)} Z_\nu \partial_\mu Z^{\mu\nu} h \\ & - \frac{1}{2} g_{HWW}^{(1)} W^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^\dagger h - [g_{HWW}^{(2)} W^\nu \partial^\mu W_{\mu\nu}^\dagger h + \text{h.c.}] \end{aligned}$$

Constraint on  $c_W$  from ATLAS & CMS signal strength global fit, including (ggF, VBF) ( $H\tau\tau, H\eta\eta, H\eta\chi, H\eta\chi, H\eta z$ ):

$$\bar{c}_W \in [-0.05, 0.06]$$

Including VHbb differential fit (VpT from ATLAS, mVH from D0):

$$\bar{c}_W \in [-0.03, 0.01]$$



$$\begin{aligned} g_{hzz}^{(1)} &= \frac{2g}{c_W^2 m_W} [\bar{c}_{HW} s_W^2 - 4\bar{c}_\gamma s_W^4 + c_W^2 \bar{c}_{HW}] \\ g_{hzz}^{(2)} &= \frac{2g}{c_W^2 m_W} [(\bar{c}_{HW} + \bar{c}_W) c_W^2 + (\bar{c}_{HB} + \bar{c}_B) s_W^2] \\ g_{hww}^{(1)} &= \frac{2g}{m_W} \bar{c}_{HW} \\ g_{hww}^{(2)} &= \frac{g}{m_W} (\bar{c}_W + \bar{c}_{HW}). \end{aligned}$$

Considerable improvement for single operator fit  
Even more important when fitting multiple operators

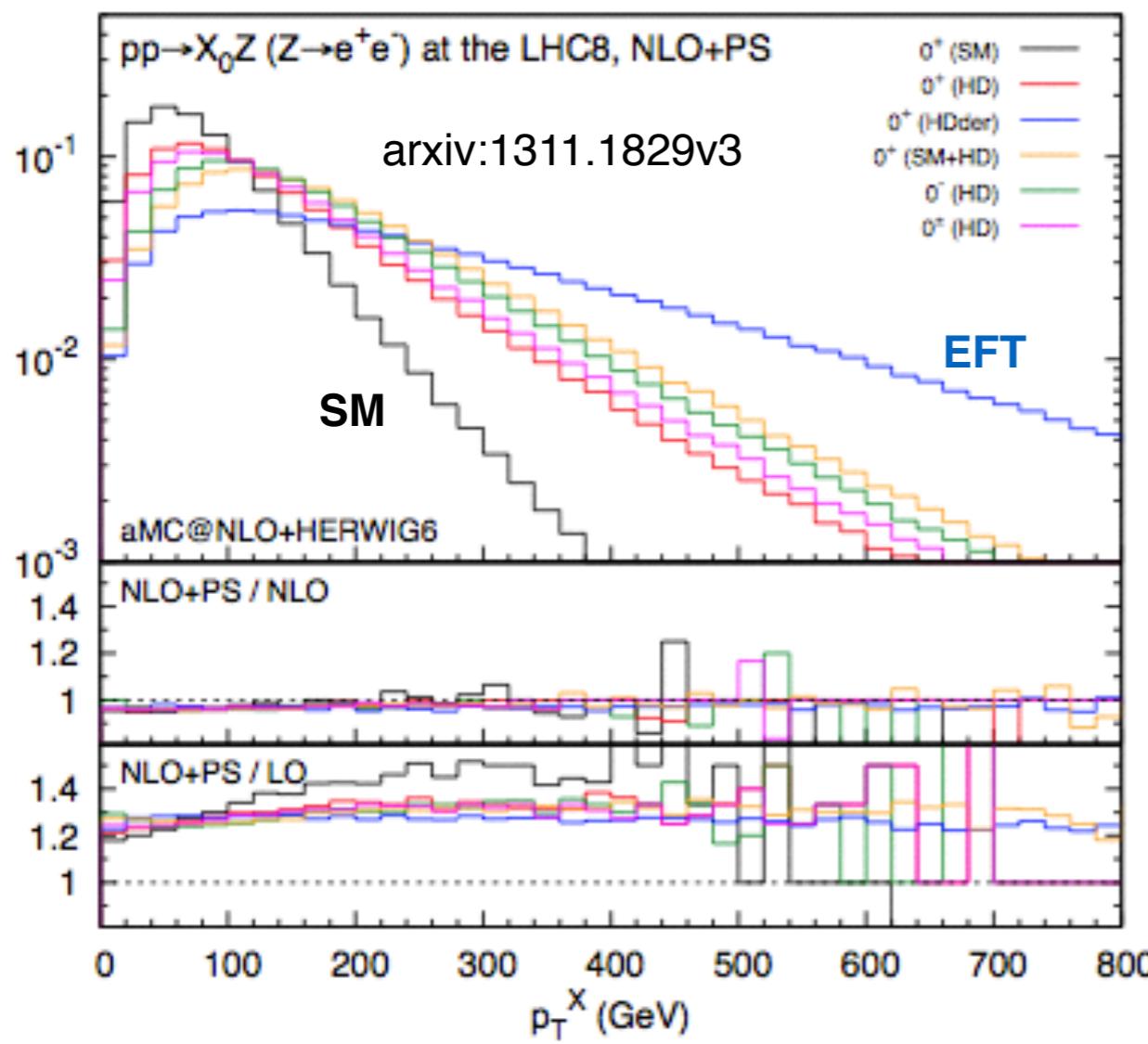
# $\sim$ SM VHbb: Towards Run2 data [EFT]

arxiv:1311.1829v3

EFT samples already under study in ATLAS:

mg5\_aMC Higgs Characterization Model

MonteCarlo generation at NLO(QCD)+PS



Benchmark scenarios



$$\mathcal{L}_0^V = \left\{ c_\alpha \kappa_{\text{SM}} \left[ \frac{1}{2} g_{HZZ} Z_\mu Z^\mu + g_{HWW} W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} \right] \right\}_{\text{SM}}$$

CP-even

$$-\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\Lambda} [c_\alpha \kappa_{HZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}^{\mu\nu}]$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\Lambda} [c_\alpha \kappa_{HWW} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AWW} W_{\mu\nu}^+ \tilde{W}^{-\mu\nu}]$$

CP-odd

derivative operators

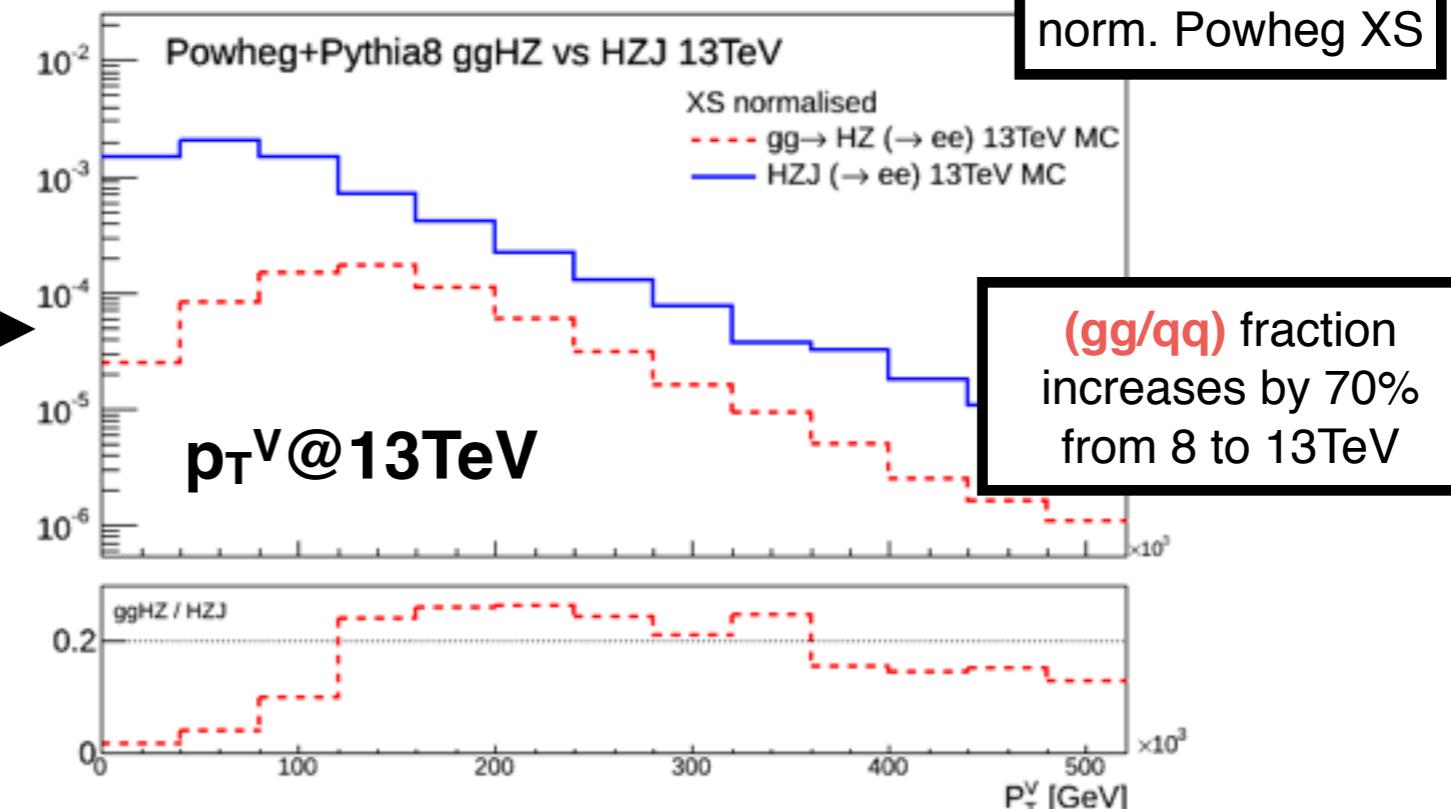
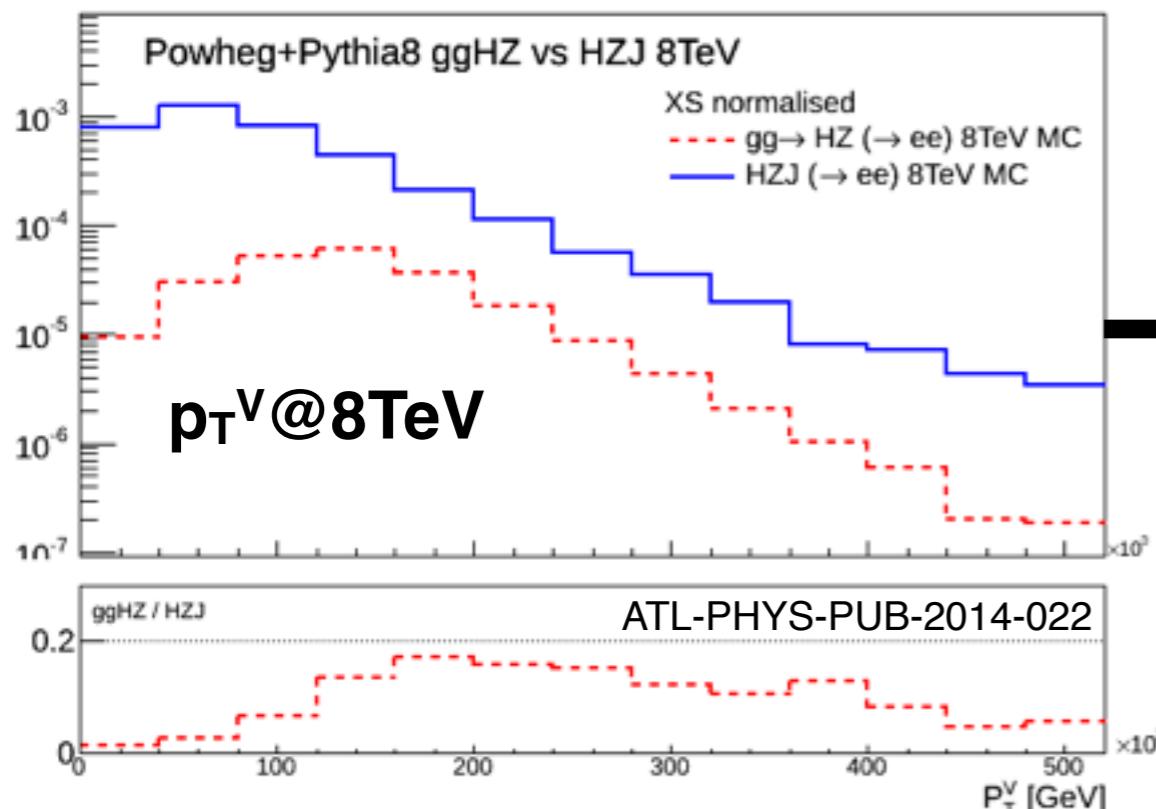
$$-\frac{1}{\Lambda} c_\alpha [\kappa_{H\partial Z} Z_\nu \partial_\mu Z^{\mu\nu} + (\kappa_{H\partial W} W_\nu^+ \partial_\mu W^{-\mu\nu} + h.c.)]$$

parameter	description
$\Lambda$ [GeV]	cutoff scale
$c_\alpha$ ( $\equiv \cos \alpha$ )	mixing between $0^+$ and $0^-$
$\kappa_i$	dimensionless coupling parameter

scenario	HC parameter choice
$0^+(\text{SM})$	$\kappa_{\text{SM}} = 1$ ( $c_\alpha = 1$ )
$0^+(\text{HD})$	$\kappa_{HZZ, HWW} = 1$ ( $c_\alpha = 1$ )
$0^+(\text{HDder})$	$\kappa_{H\partial Z, H\partial W} = 1$ ( $c_\alpha = 1$ )
$0^+(\text{SM+HD})$	$\kappa_{SM, HZZ, HWW} = 1$ ( $c_\alpha = 1, \Lambda = v$ )
$0^-(\text{HD})$	$\kappa_{AZZ, AWW} = 1$ ( $c_\alpha = 0$ )
$0^\pm(\text{HD})$	$\kappa_{HZZ, AZZ, HWW, AWW} = 1$ ( $c_\alpha = 1/\sqrt{2}$ )

# SM VHbb: ZH Signal @ 13 TeV

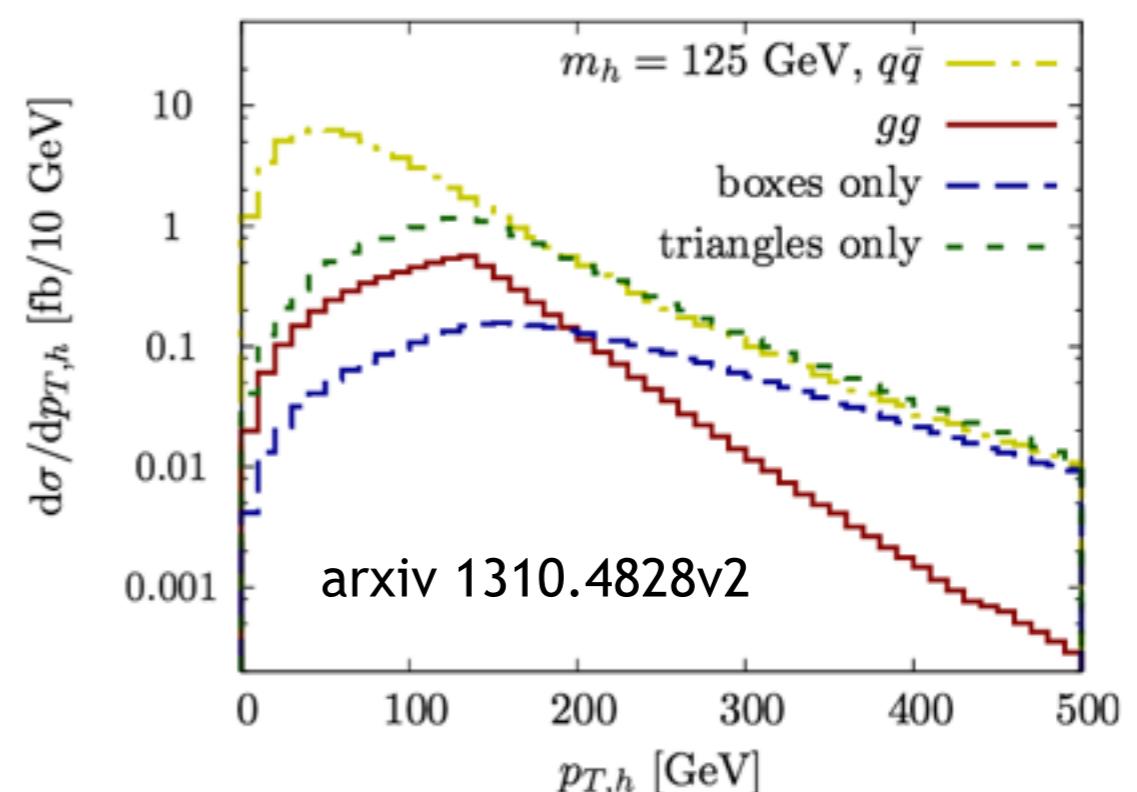
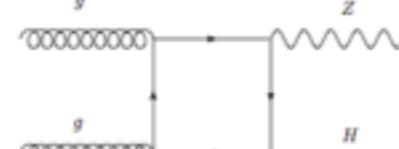
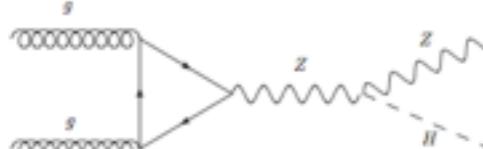
From 8 to 13 TeV: XS( $qq \rightarrow ZH$ ) increases by  $\sim 2.2$   
 XS( $gg \rightarrow ZH$ ) increases by  $\sim 3.3$  (larger at high  $p_T^V$ )



## gg $\rightarrow$ ZH at LO QCD [ $O(\alpha_s^2)$ ] Powheg

- ▶ large theory uncertainty (scale unc.  $\sim 50\%$  Run1)
- ▶ NLO computation in the  $\infty m_{top}$  limit:  $kNLO \sim 2$
- ▶ gg $\rightarrow$ ZH+1jet merged prediction mg5\_aMC [arXiv:1503.01656v1]

Sensitive to relative sign of  $k_Z$  and  $k_T$



# Backup

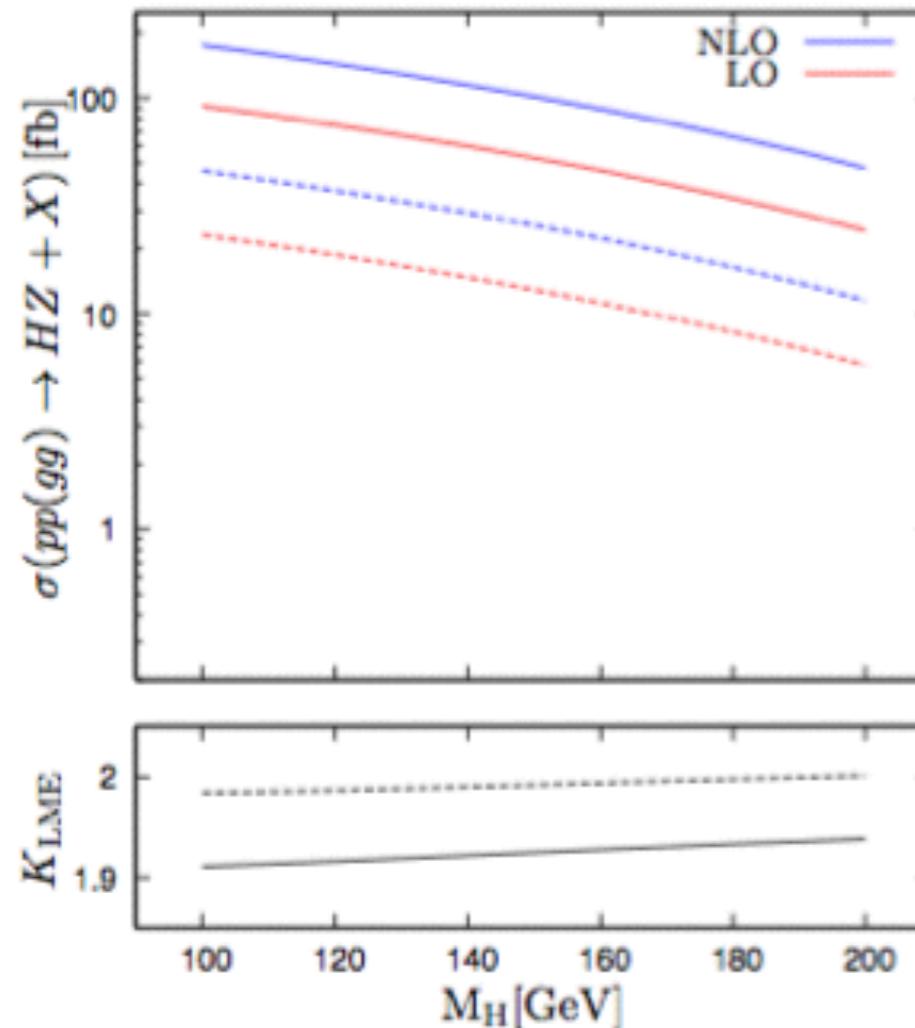
$(\text{qq}+\text{qg})+(\text{gg}) \rightarrow \text{ZH}$  at 13TeV: estimate of the **gluon-gluon** contribution at 13TeV vs 8TeV

$\sigma(\text{qq} \rightarrow \text{HZ}) (\Rightarrow 14 \text{ TeV})$  increases by  $\sim 2.3$

$\sigma(\text{gg} \rightarrow \text{HZ}) (\Rightarrow 14 \text{ TeV})$  increases by  $\sim 3.8\text{-}4$

Some interesting notes:

- ⊕ gg → HZ begins to contribute at LO ( $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2)$ ) (**as implemented in POWHEG**)
- ⊕ **NLO corrections** to gg → HZ ⇒ **K-factor**  $\sim 2$  (fairly flat across  $m_H$ )

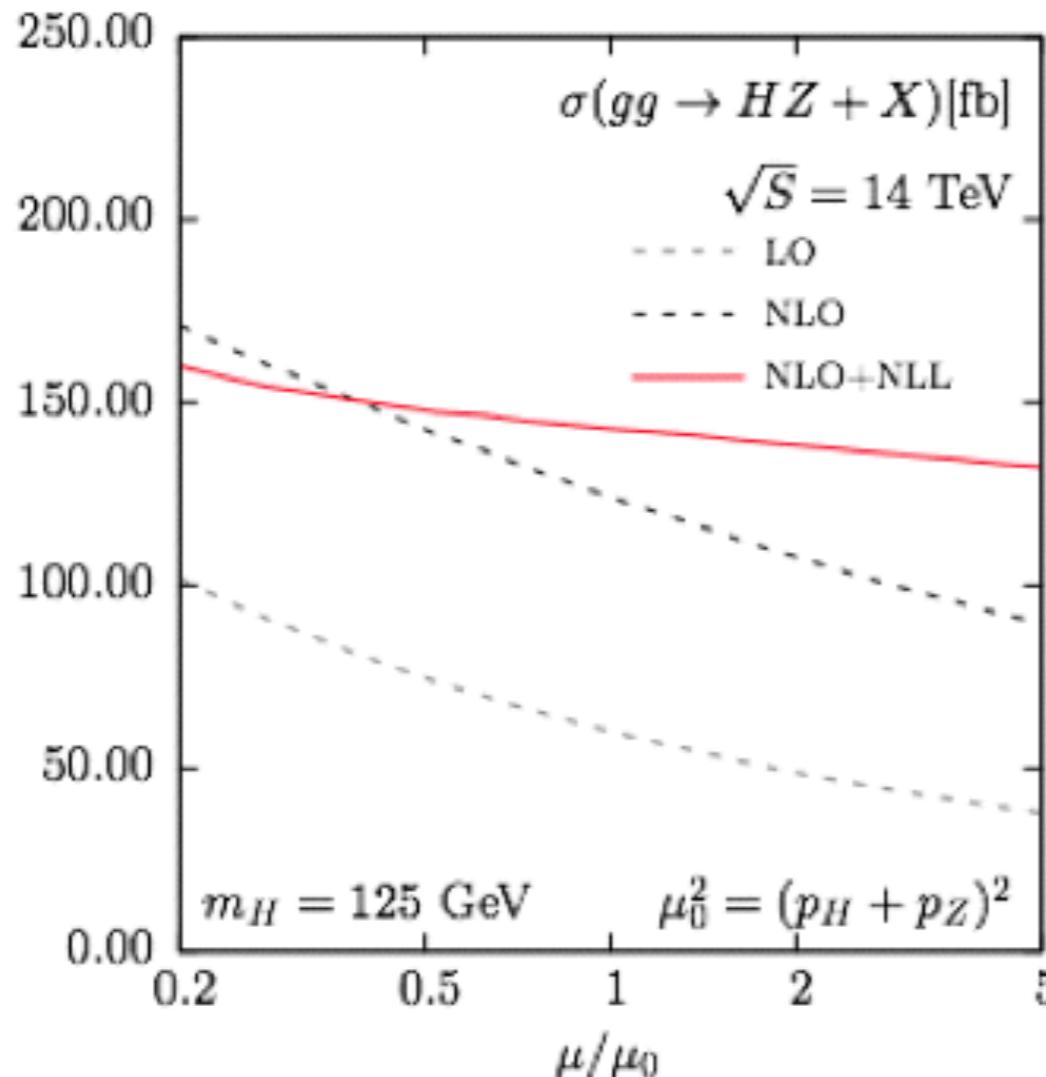


$\sqrt{s}$ [TeV]	$M_H$ [GeV]	$\sigma_{\text{gg}}^{\text{LO}}$ [fb]	$\sigma_{\text{gg}}^{\text{NLO}}$ [fb]
no $p_{\text{T},\text{H}}$ cut			
8	115	$19.8^{+61\%}_{-34\%}$	$39.3^{+32\%}_{-24\%}$
8	120	$18.7^{+61\%}_{-34\%}$	$37.2^{+32\%}_{-24\%}$
8	125	$17.7^{+61\%}_{-34\%}$	$35.1^{+32\%}_{-24\%}$
8	130	$16.7^{+61\%}_{-34\%}$	$33.1^{+32\%}_{-24\%}$
14	115	$79.1^{+51\%}_{-31\%}$	$152^{+27\%}_{-21\%}$
14	120	$75.1^{+51\%}_{-31\%}$	$144^{+27\%}_{-21\%}$
14	125	$71.1^{+51\%}_{-31\%}$	$136^{+27\%}_{-21\%}$
14	130	$67.2^{+51\%}_{-31\%}$	$129^{+27\%}_{-21\%}$
$p_{\text{T},\text{H}} > 200$ GeV			
8	115	$1.41^{+65\%}_{-36\%}$	$2.94^{+34\%}_{-25\%}$
8	120	$1.33^{+65\%}_{-36\%}$	$2.79^{+33\%}_{-26\%}$
8	125	$1.26^{+65\%}_{-36\%}$	$2.63^{+34\%}_{-25\%}$
8	130	$1.19^{+65\%}_{-36\%}$	$2.48^{+33\%}_{-25\%}$
14	115	$6.86^{+55\%}_{-32\%}$	$13.8^{+29\%}_{-22\%}$
14	120	$6.53^{+55\%}_{-32\%}$	$13.1^{+28\%}_{-22\%}$
14	125	$6.19^{+55\%}_{-32\%}$	$12.5^{+29\%}_{-22\%}$
14	130	$5.87^{+55\%}_{-32\%}$	$11.8^{+29\%}_{-22\%}$

# Backup

$(\text{qq}+\text{qg})+(\text{gg}) \rightarrow \text{ZH}$  at 13TeV: estimate of the **gluon-gluon** contribution at 13TeV vs 8TeV

- ⊕ **NLL resummation** for  $\text{gg} \rightarrow \text{HZ}$ : reduction of scale dependence + **increase in XS**  
 arXiv:1410.0217v1 [hep-ph] 1 Oct 2014



$\sqrt{s}$ [TeV]	$M_H$ [GeV]	$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow HZ}$			
		incl. $gg @ \text{NLO}$		incl. $gg @ \text{NLO+NLL}$	
		[pb]	[%]	[pb]	[%]
8.00	125.0	0.4157	+3.1 -2.8	0.4217	+1.5 -1.5
8.00	125.5	0.4104	+3.1 -2.8	0.4165	+1.5 -1.5
8.00	126.0	0.4054	+3.2 -2.8	0.4114	+1.5 -1.6
13.0	125.0	0.8696	+3.8 -3.8	0.8859	+1.6 -2.0
13.0	125.5	0.8594	+3.8 -3.8	0.8757	+1.7 -1.9
13.0	126.0	0.8501	+3.8 -3.9	0.8663	+1.6 -2.1
13.5	125.0	0.9190	+3.9 -3.8	0.9366	+1.6 -2.0
13.5	125.5	0.9085	+3.8 -3.8	0.9259	+1.6 -2.0
13.5	126.0	0.8988	+3.8 -3.9	0.9162	+1.5 -2.0
14.0	125.0	0.9690	+4.0 -3.9	0.9878	+1.7 -2.0
14.0	125.5	0.9574	+4.0 -3.9	0.9761	+1.7 -2.0
14.0	126.0	0.9465	+4.1 -3.9	0.9652	+1.7 -2.0

At  $\mu = \mu_R = \mu_F = Q$  central scale value:

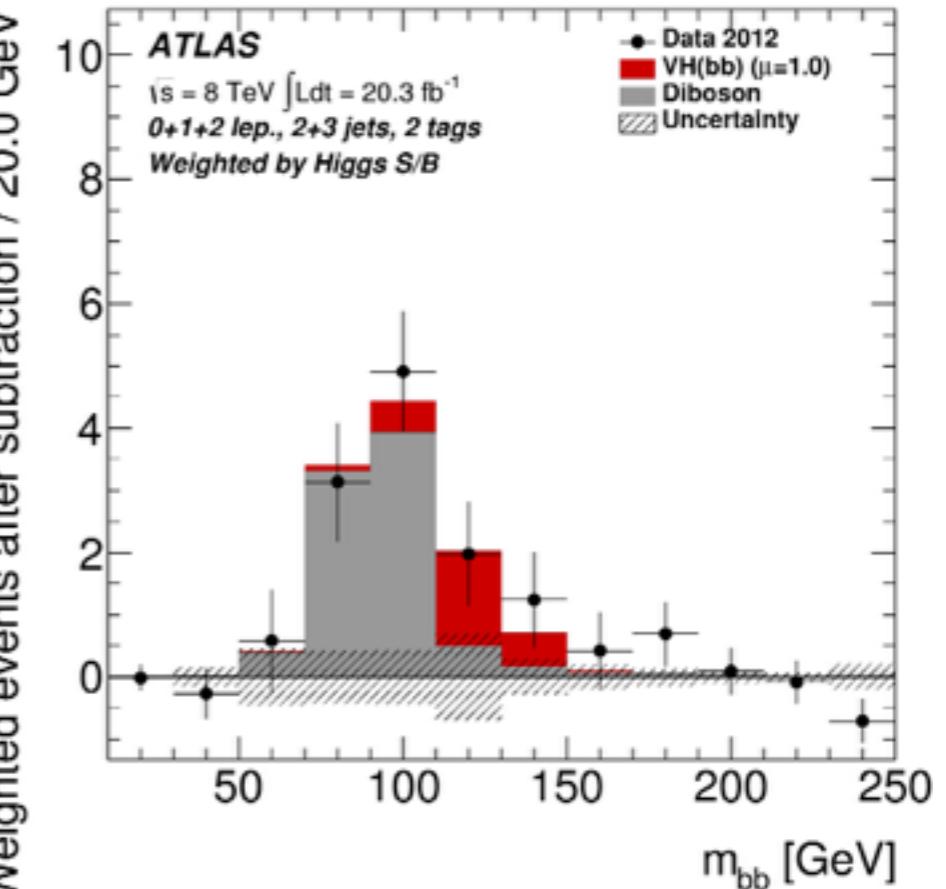
$\sigma(\text{gg} \rightarrow \text{HZ})$  8TeV increases by  $\sim 18\%$   
 $\sigma(\text{gg} \rightarrow \text{HZ})$  14TeV increases by  $\sim 15\%$

# SM Candle Process: Diboson VZ $\rightarrow$ bb

**VZ $\rightarrow$ bb** as standard candle to validate VH production

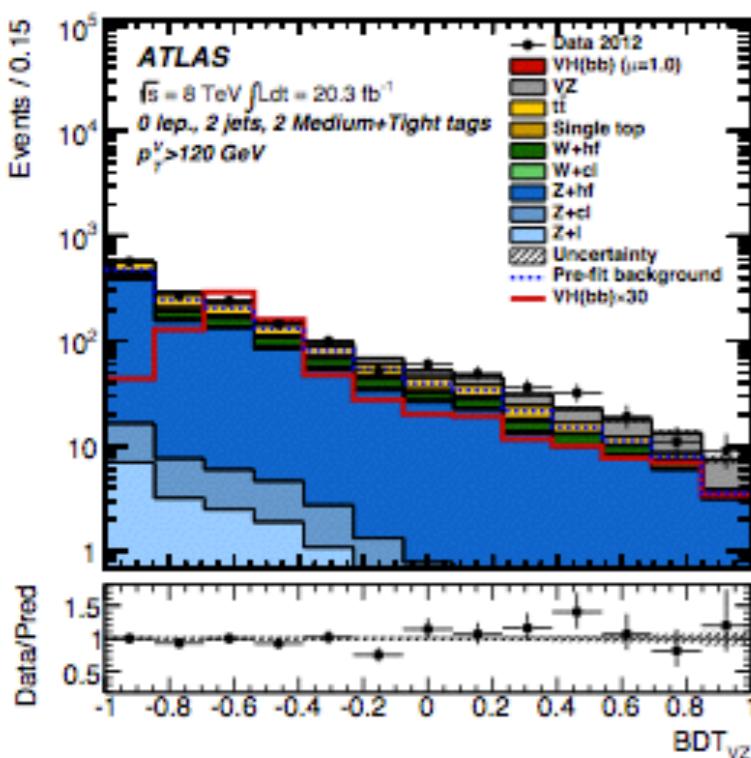
- cross section  $\sim 5$  times larger than VH
- almost identical final state
- ⊗ **Expected Significance** → 6.3
- ⊗ **Observed Significance** → 4.9

**VH(bb)  $\hat{\mu} = 0.74 \pm 0.09(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.14(\text{syst.})$**

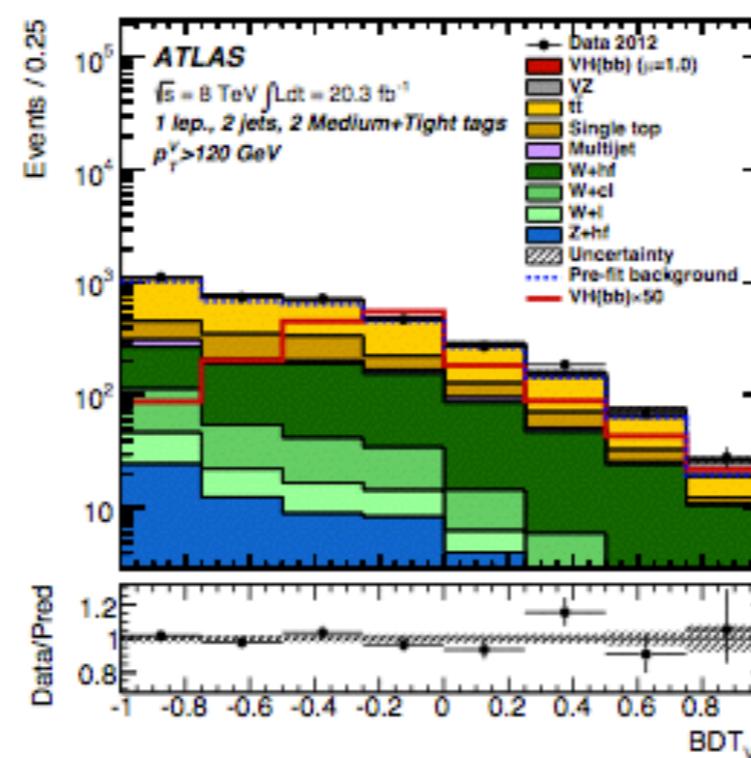


## MVA analysis re-trained to select VZ processes

0lepton



1lepton



2lepton

