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Investigating the Higgs potential



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$$V(\phi^\dagger \phi) = -\mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \lambda (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2$$

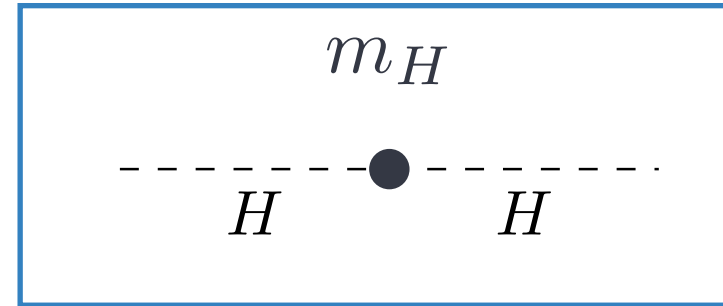
When linearising the Higgs field after the EWSB around the vacuum expected value ν one gets:

$$V(H) \supset \underbrace{\frac{\mu^2}{2} H^2}_{\frac{1}{2} m_H^2} + \lambda \nu H^3 + \frac{\lambda}{4} H^4$$

Where the potential parameters are linked by :

$$\nu = \sqrt{\frac{\mu^2}{\lambda}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2} G_F}}$$

Relationship between the electron charge, the weak boson masses, and the **Fermi Constant**.

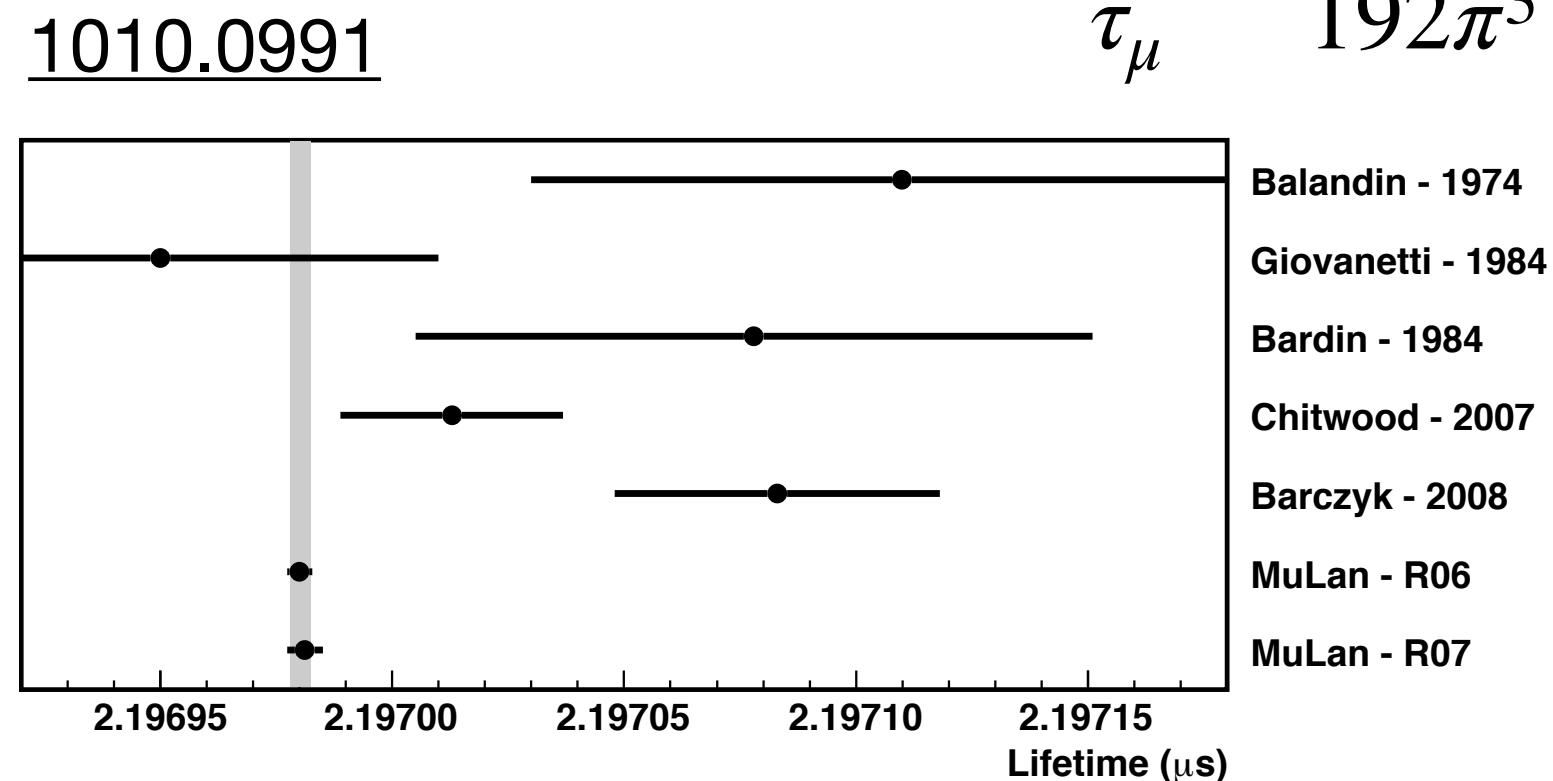


- ▶ The first piece of information came from the Higgs boson discovery:
 - ▶ Existence of a new particle with couplings according to prediction from EWSB;
 - ▶ First measurement of Higgs mass:

$$m_H = 125.09 \text{ GeV} \leftrightarrow \mu = 88.45 \text{ GeV}$$

- ▶ The **Fermi constant** can be determined thanks to the **muon lifetime measurement**:

$$\frac{1}{\tau_\mu} = \frac{G_F^2 m_\mu^2}{192\pi^3} (1 + \Delta q)$$



- ▶ From most precise MuLan experiment:

$$G_F = 1.1663788(7) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \nu \simeq 246.23 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \lambda \sim 0.13$$



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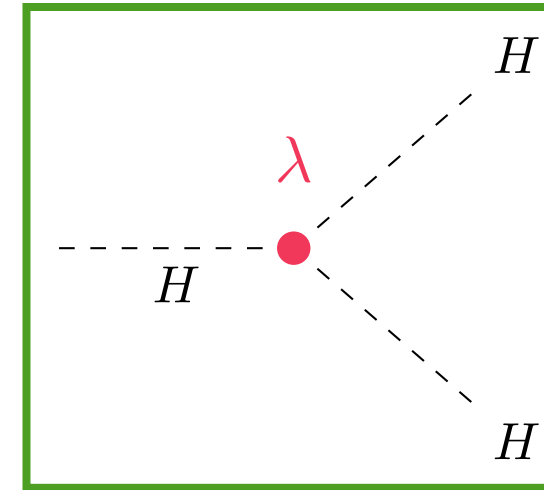


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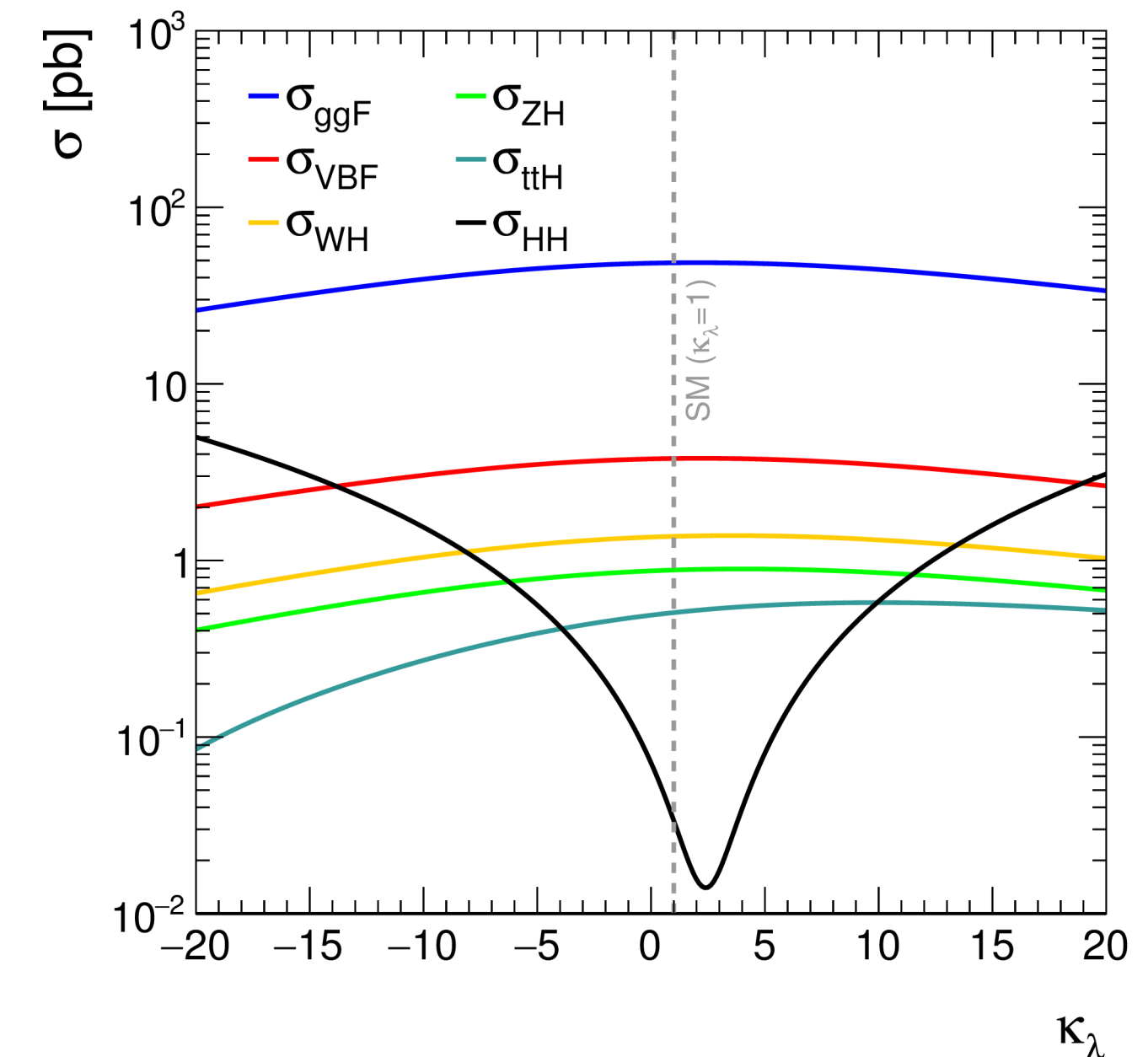
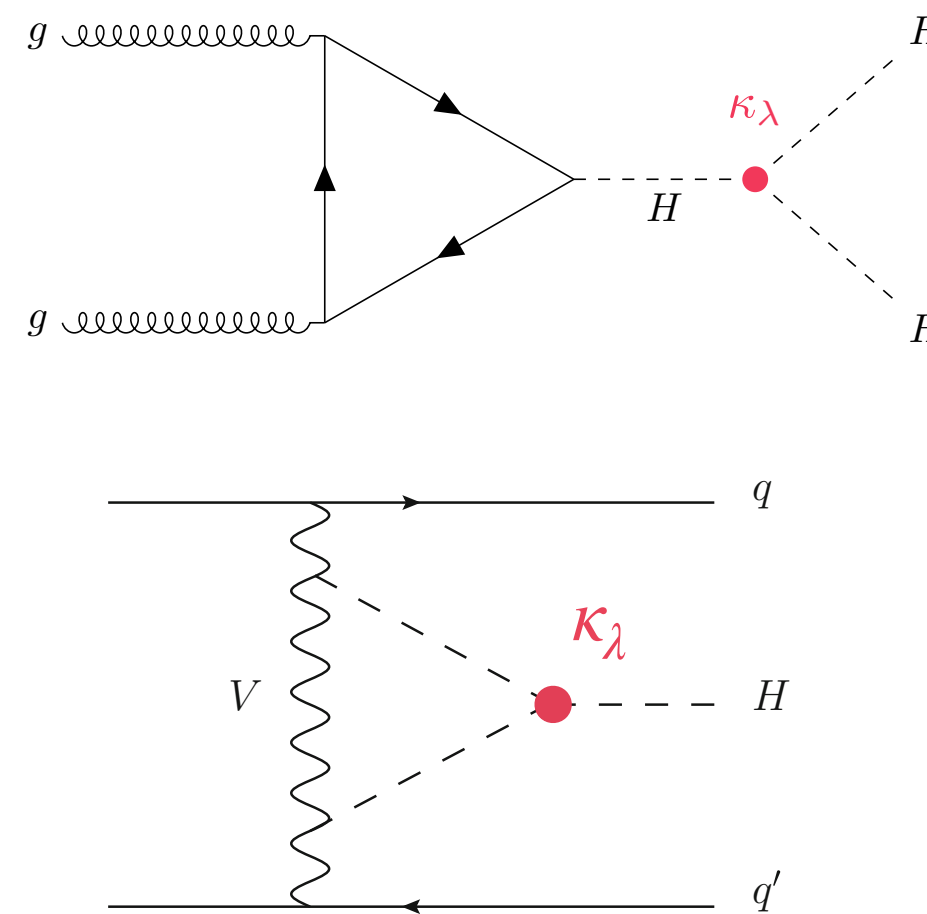
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► Direct access to λ through Higgs pair creation:

- Coupling strength denoted as $\kappa_\lambda = \lambda_{HHH}/\lambda_{SM}$
- At tree level: production of pair of Higgs bosons \rightarrow strong effect on XS.
- At loop level: effect on the single Higgs cross-section and deviations in kinematics.



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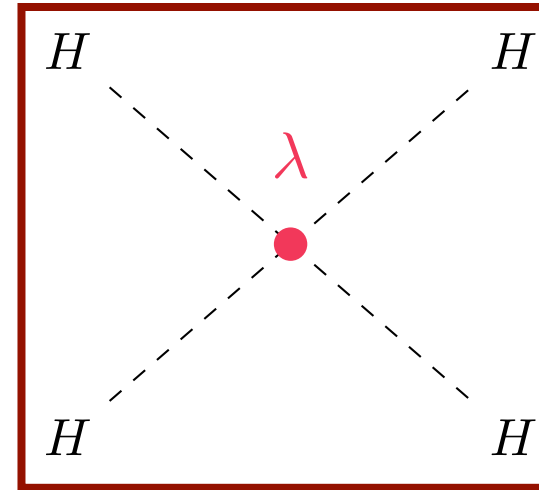


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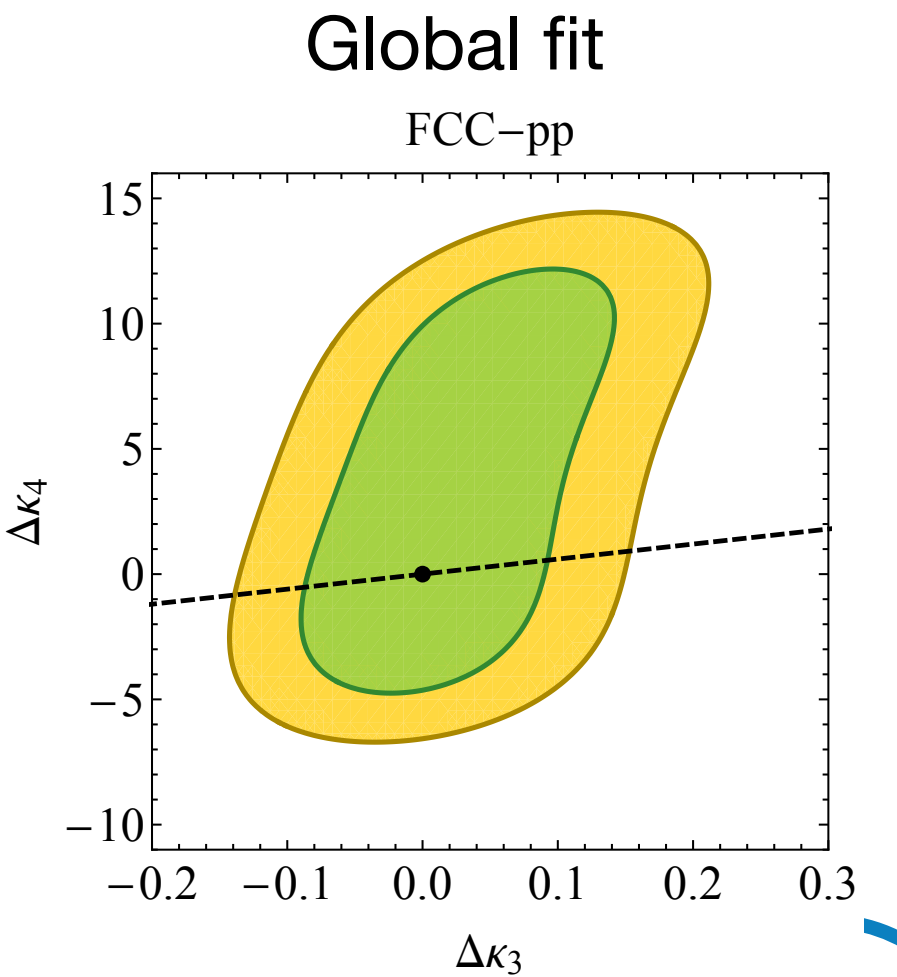
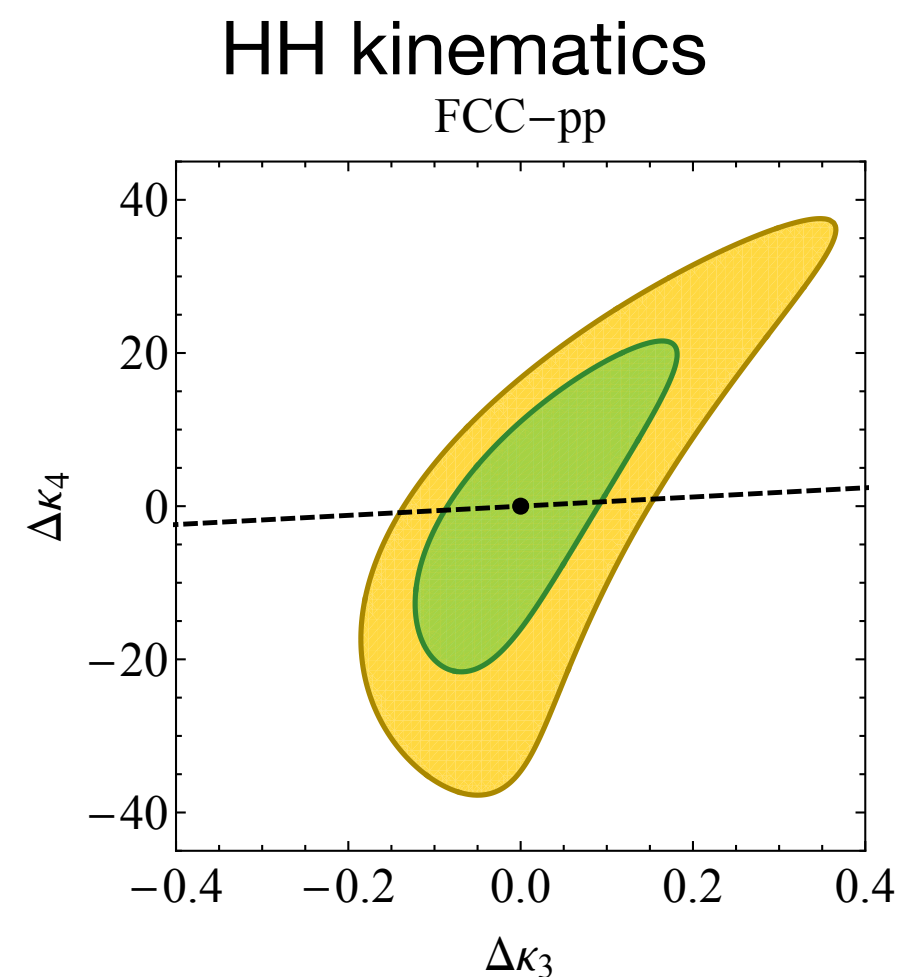
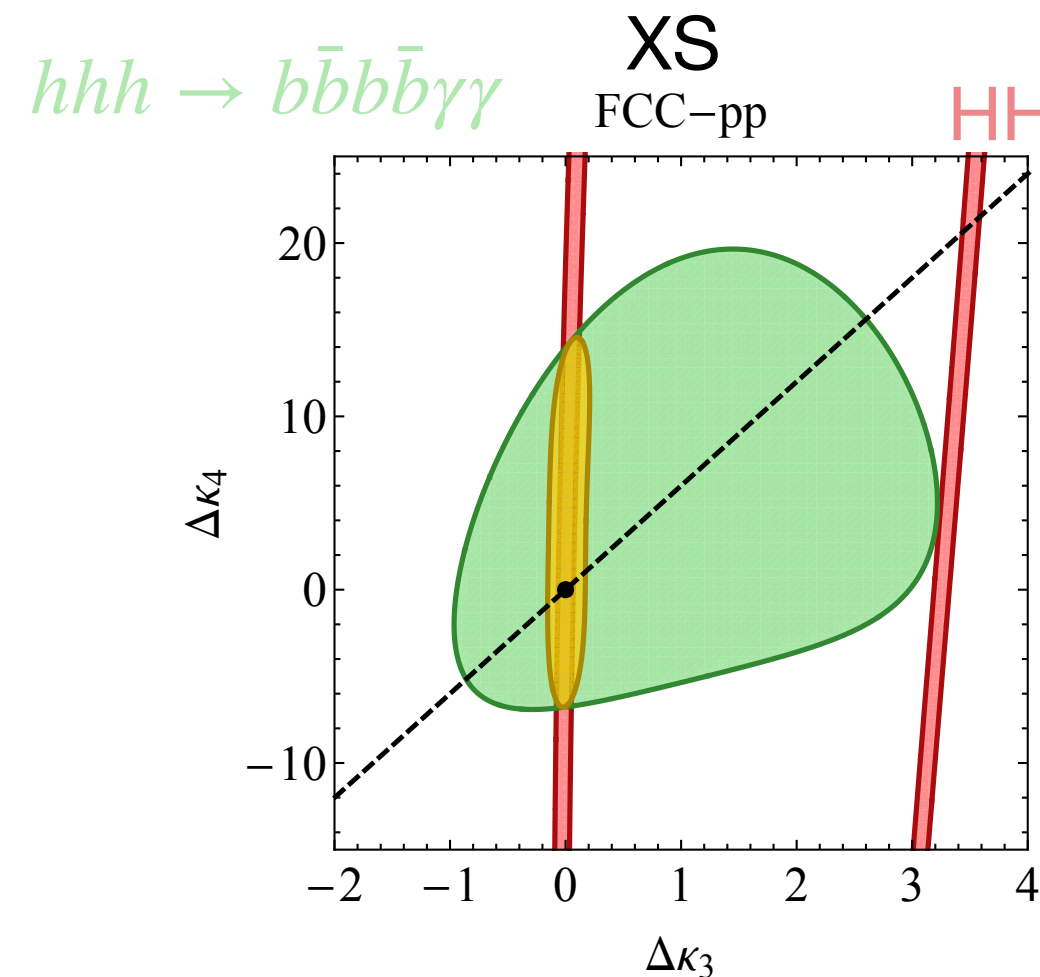
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► **Quartic interaction even rarer :**

- At tree level: very mild effect on XS and kinematic distributions.
- At loop level: similar constraints obtained on XS, but stronger effect kinematics.
- No strong constraints even with FCC 100 TeV collider ($\kappa_4 \in [-3, 13]$) or the CLIC 3000 GeV ($\kappa_4 \in [-5, 7]$).



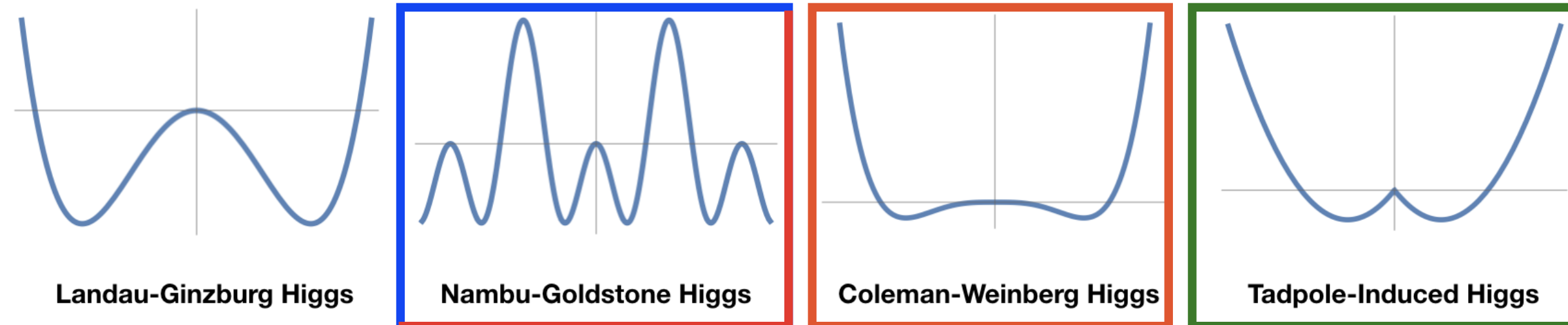
Exploring alternative scenarios



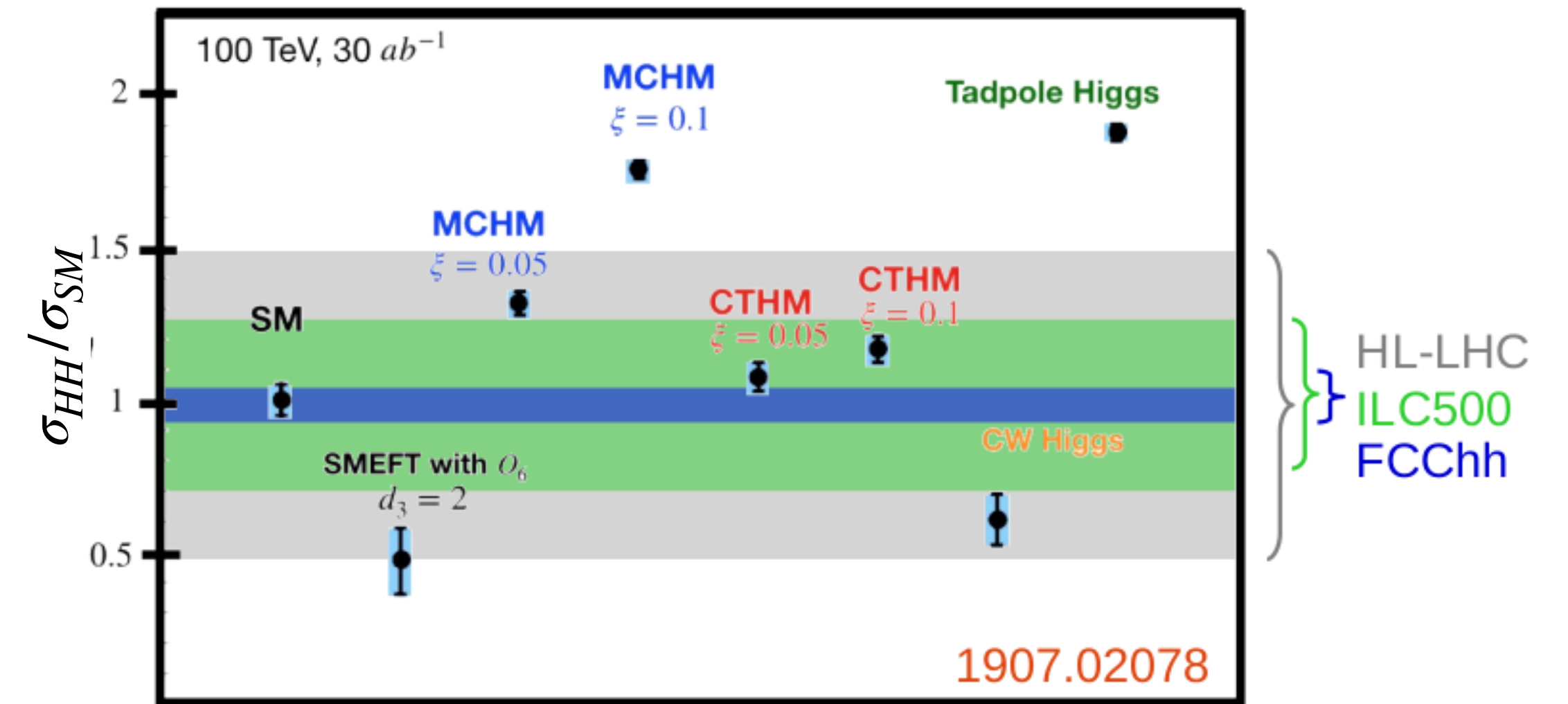
The measurement of the Higgs potential is answering the fundamental question of its nature.
 Several other models can show a non zero vacuum expected value with a different second order contribution:

$$V(H) \simeq \begin{cases} -m^2 H^\dagger H + \lambda (H^\dagger H)^2 + \frac{c_6 \lambda}{\Lambda^2} (H^\dagger H)^3, & \text{Elementary Higgs} \\ -a \sin^2(\sqrt{H^\dagger H}/f) + b \sin^4(\sqrt{H^\dagger H}/f), & \text{Nambu-Goldstone Higgs} \\ \lambda (H^\dagger H)^2 + \epsilon (H^\dagger H)^2 \log \frac{H^\dagger H}{\mu^2}, & \text{Coleman-Weinberg Higgs} \\ -\kappa^3 \sqrt{H^\dagger H} + m^2 H^\dagger H, & \text{Tadpole-induced Higgs} \end{cases}$$

pseudo Nambu-Goldstone boson emerging from strong dynamics at a high scale
 EWSB is triggered by renormalization group (RG) running effects
 EWSB is triggered by the Higgs tadpole



minimal composite Higgs model/
 composite twin Higgs model :
 different coupling to top quark

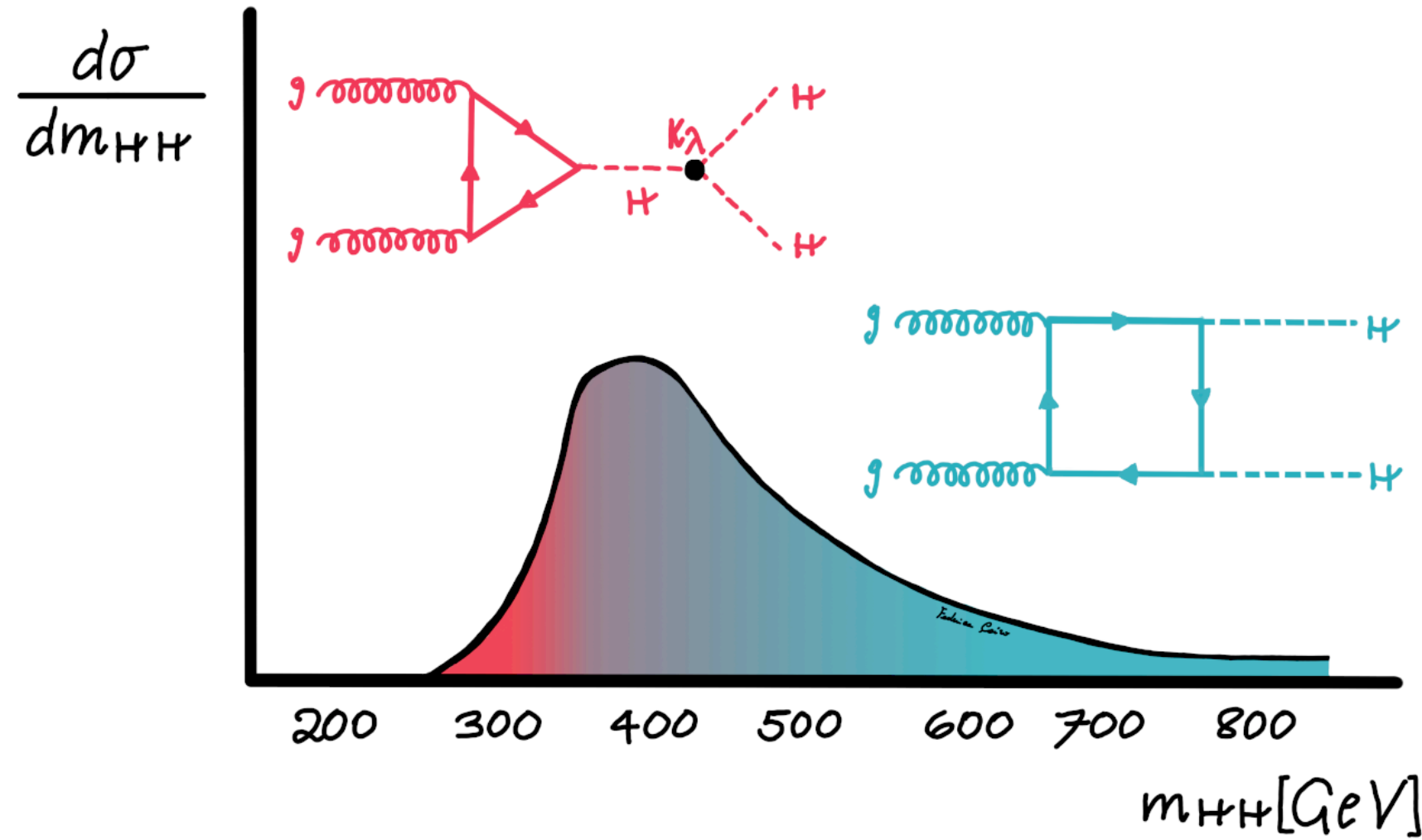


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Models

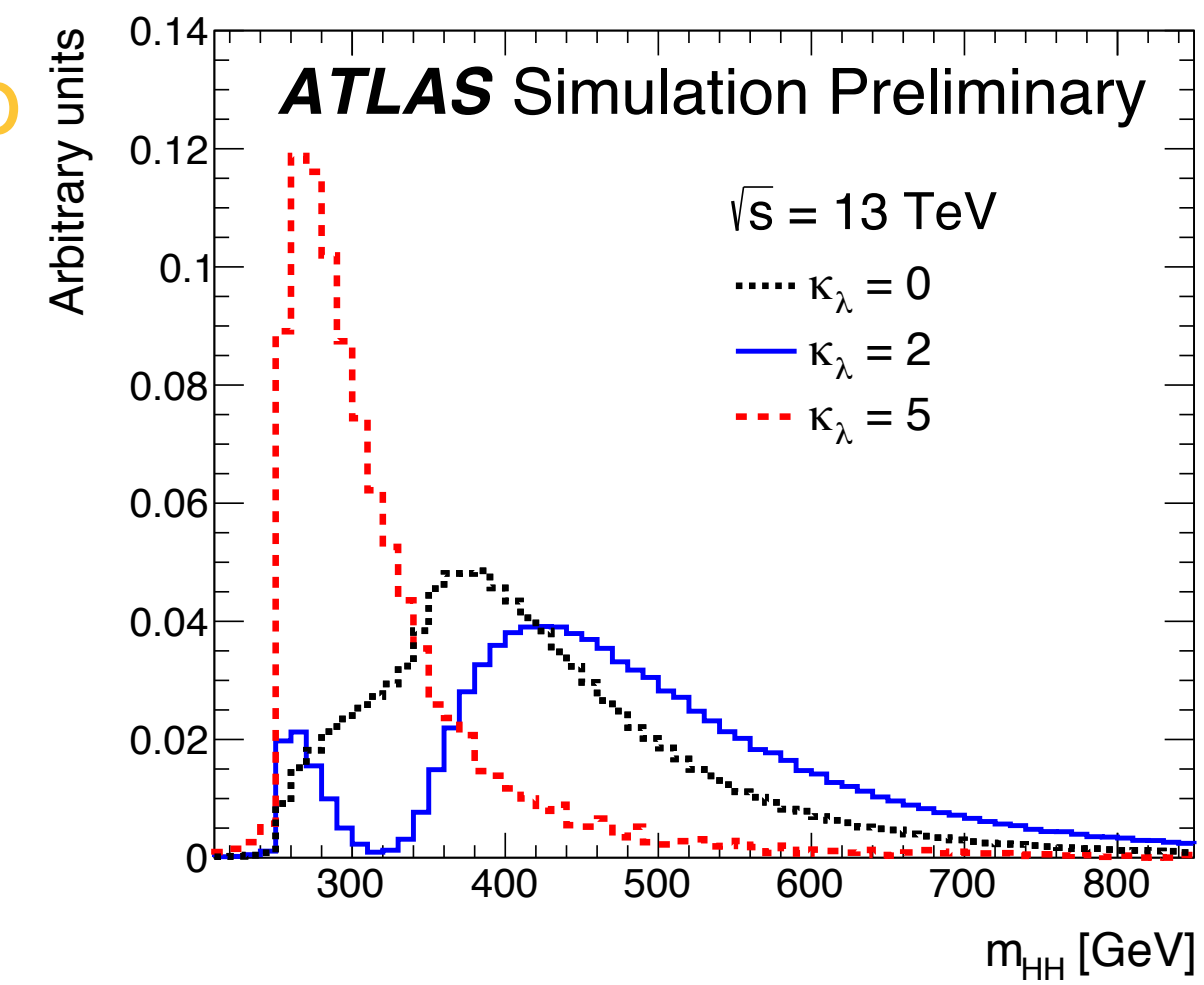


How are Higgs pairs produced?



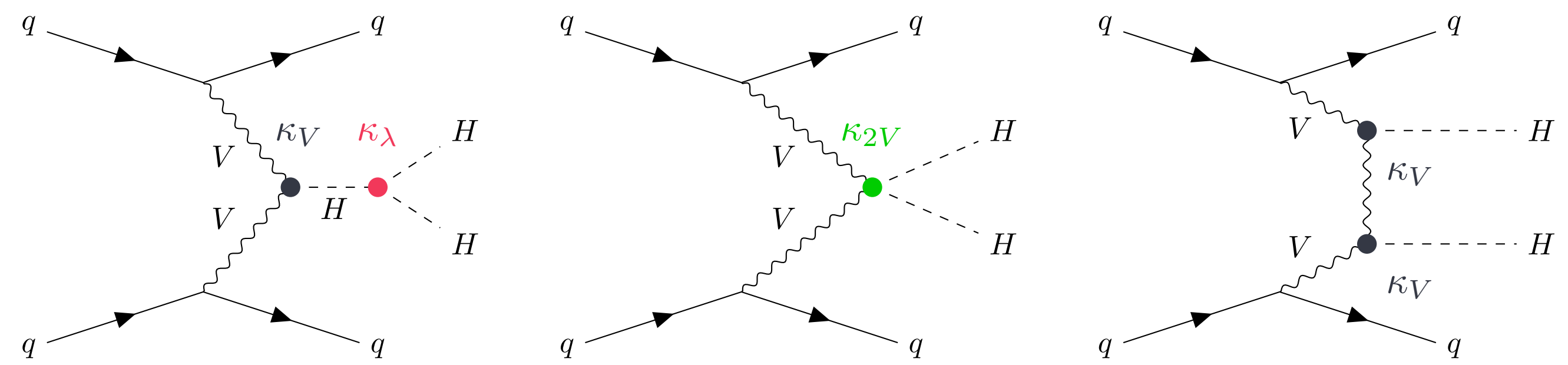
► **gluon-gluon Fusion (ggF):** $\sigma_{HH}^{ggF} = 31.02 \text{ fb}$

- Destructive interference between **triangle** and **box** diagrams makes the cross-section tiny (1000x smaller than single Higgs).
- Low masses essential to constrain trilinear coupling κ_λ
- m_{HH} shape very dependent on the κ_λ



► **Vector Boson Fusion (VBF):** $\sigma_{HH}^{VBF} = 1.72 \text{ fb}$

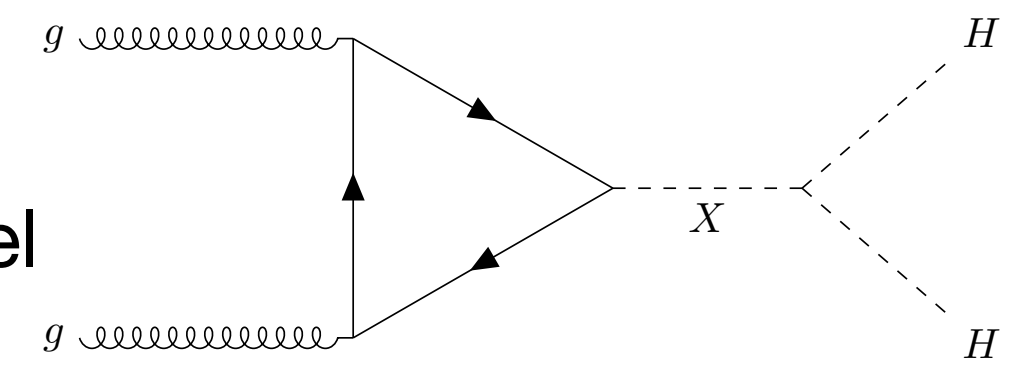
Second order contribution to total production, but direct handle to vector boson coupling modifiers κ_{2V} and κ_V :



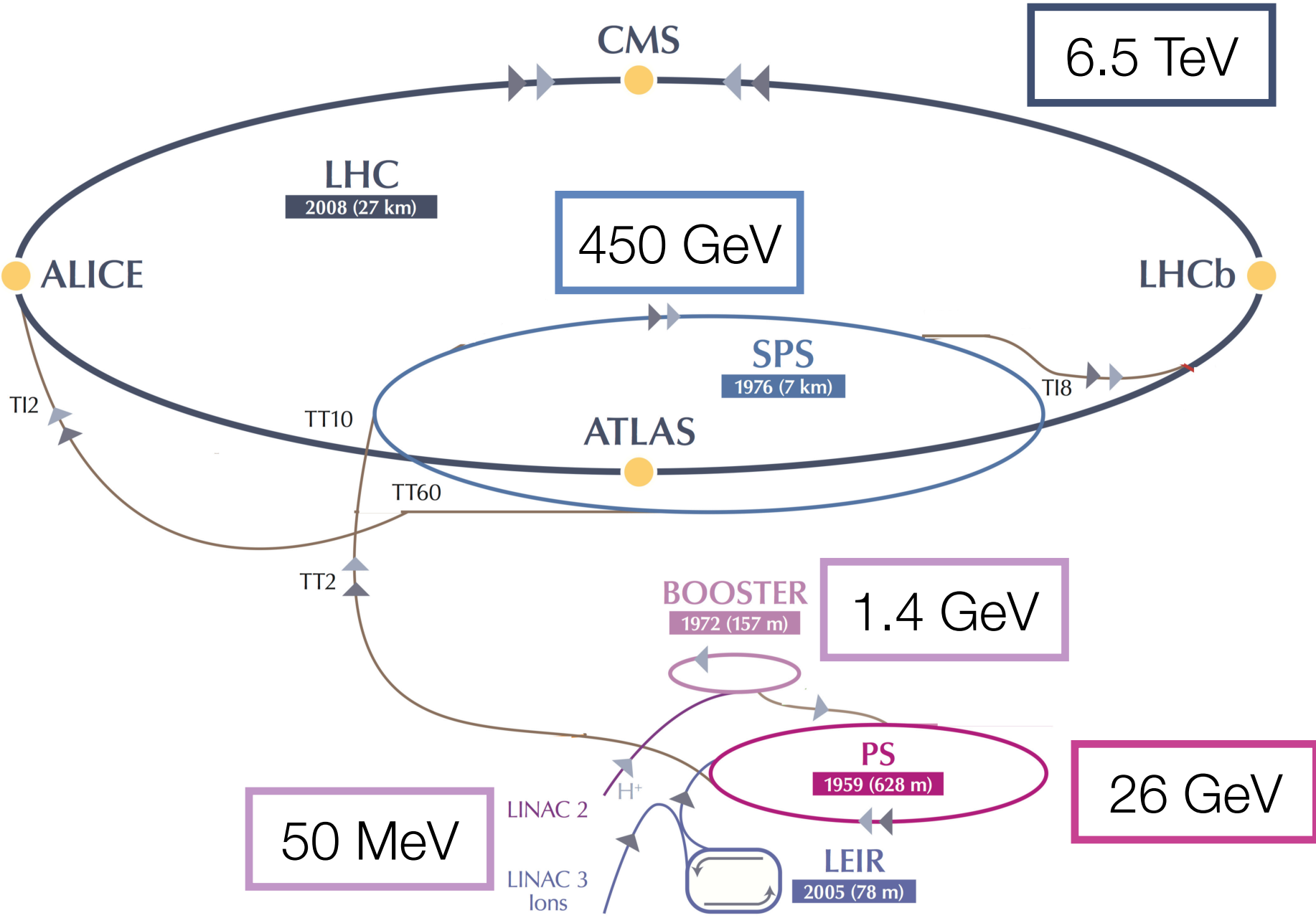
► **BSM resonances:**

Possible increase in signal from new physics benchmarks:

- **Spin-0:** predicted by Two-Higgs-Doublet-Models and Electroweak Singlet models
- **Spin-2:** predicted by Randall-Sundrum (RS) model of warped extra dimensions



The LHC: a (double) Higgs factory ?

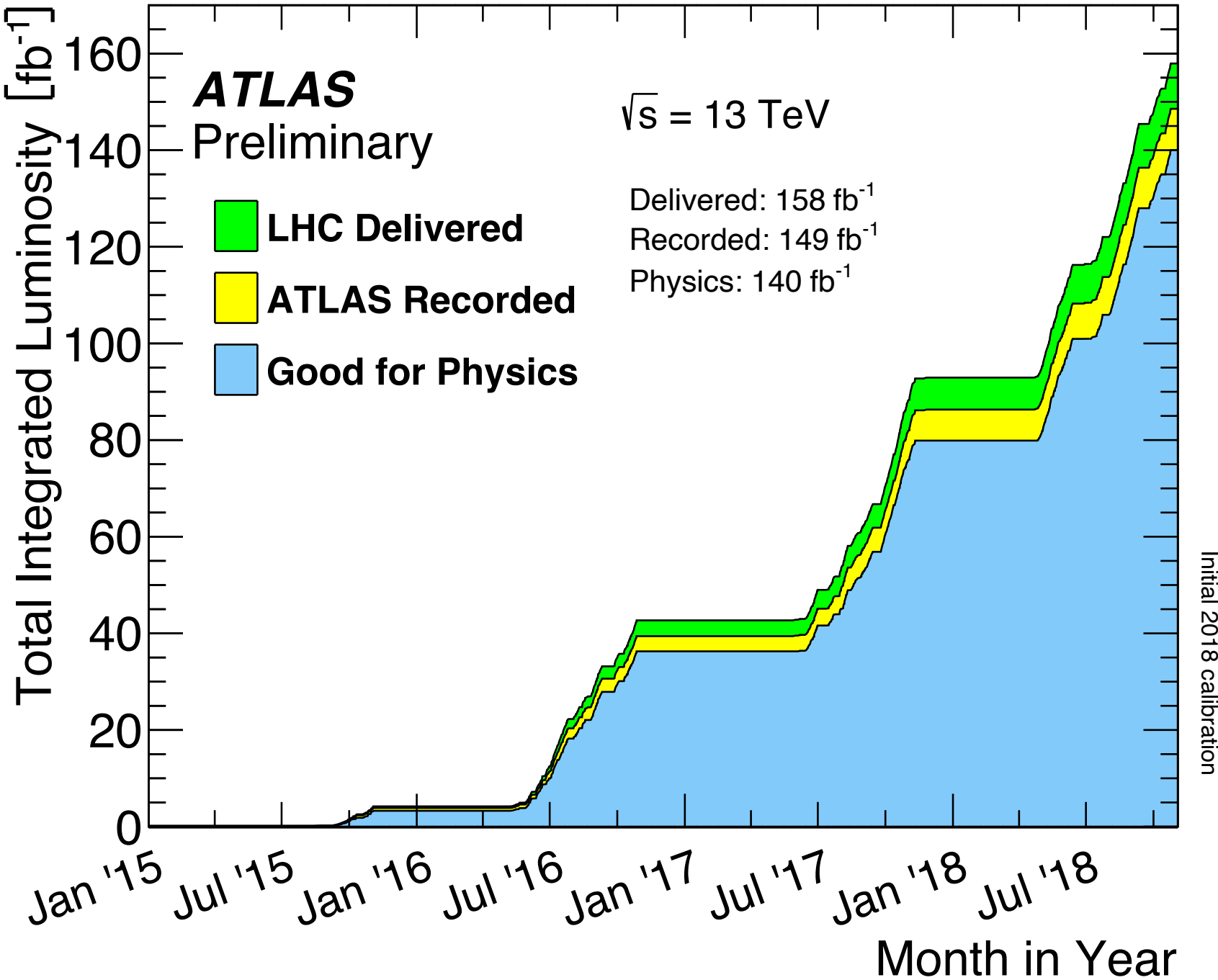


Located under the French Swiss Border, the **Large Hadron Collider** is the final piece of a staged acceleration chain allowing high luminosity **proton-proton** collisions.

With an unprecedented 13 TeV center of mass energy, it has allowed the ATLAS and CMS collaboration to record $\mathcal{L} = 140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ of data during the Run-2.

	N_H	N_{HH}
Run-1	512 000	200
Run-2	6 800 000	4 300
Run-3*	7 700 000	5 000
HL-LHC*	165 000 000	110 000

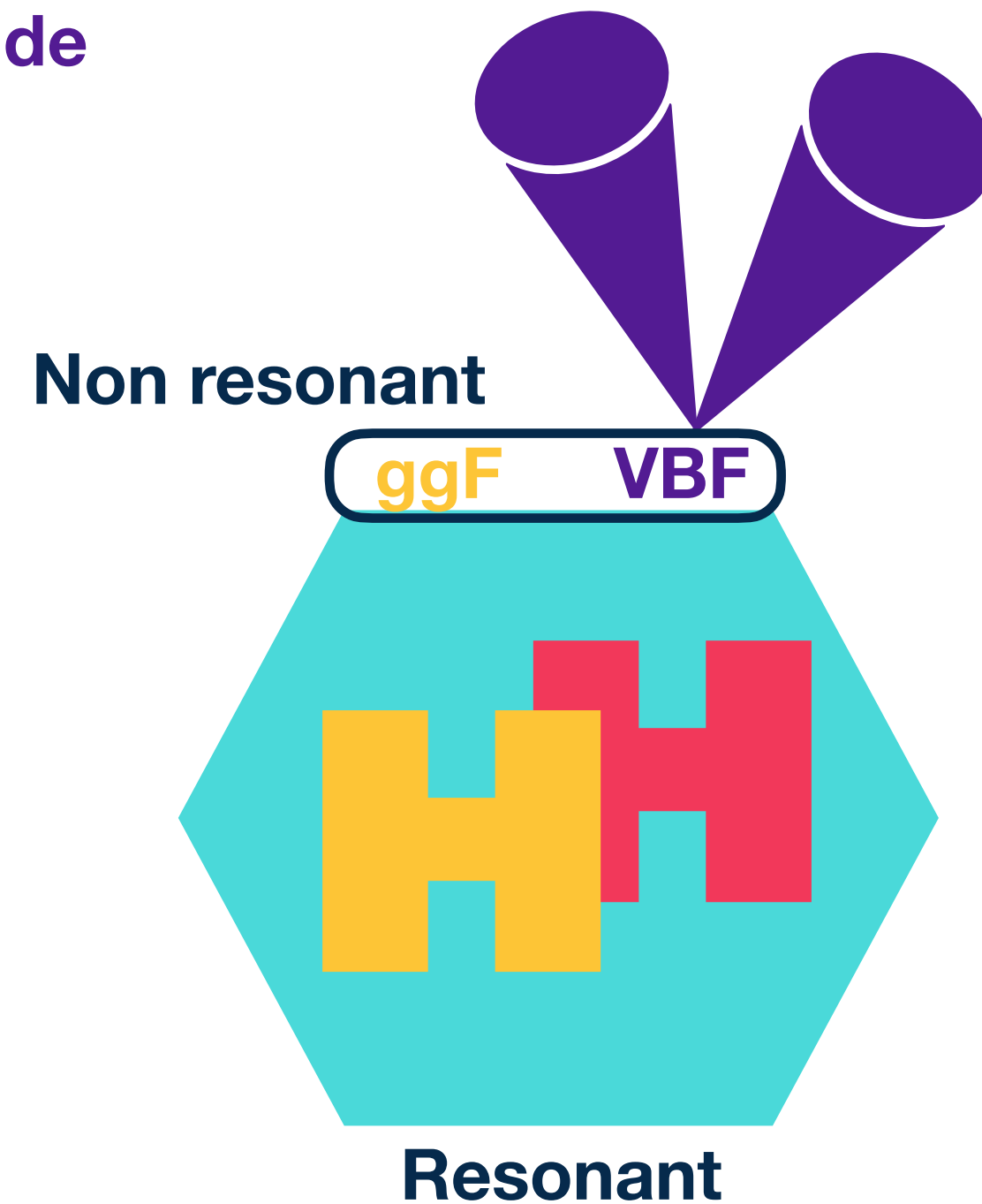
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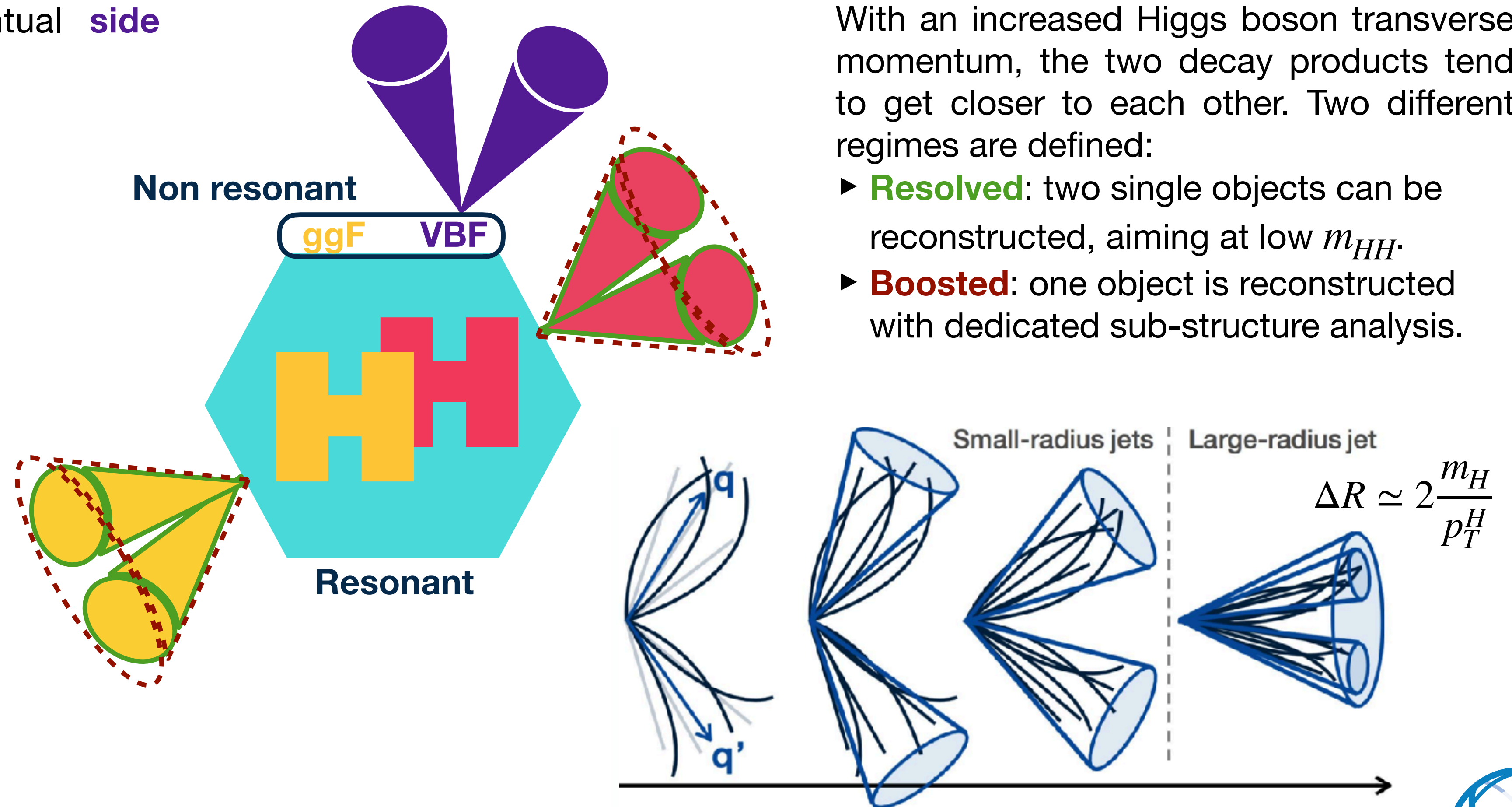
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Experimentally only the **decay products** of the Higgs bosons can be **measured**. They define the **strategy** of the analysis:

- ▶ Trigger ;
- ▶ Object reconstruction ;
- ▶ Statistical procedure.



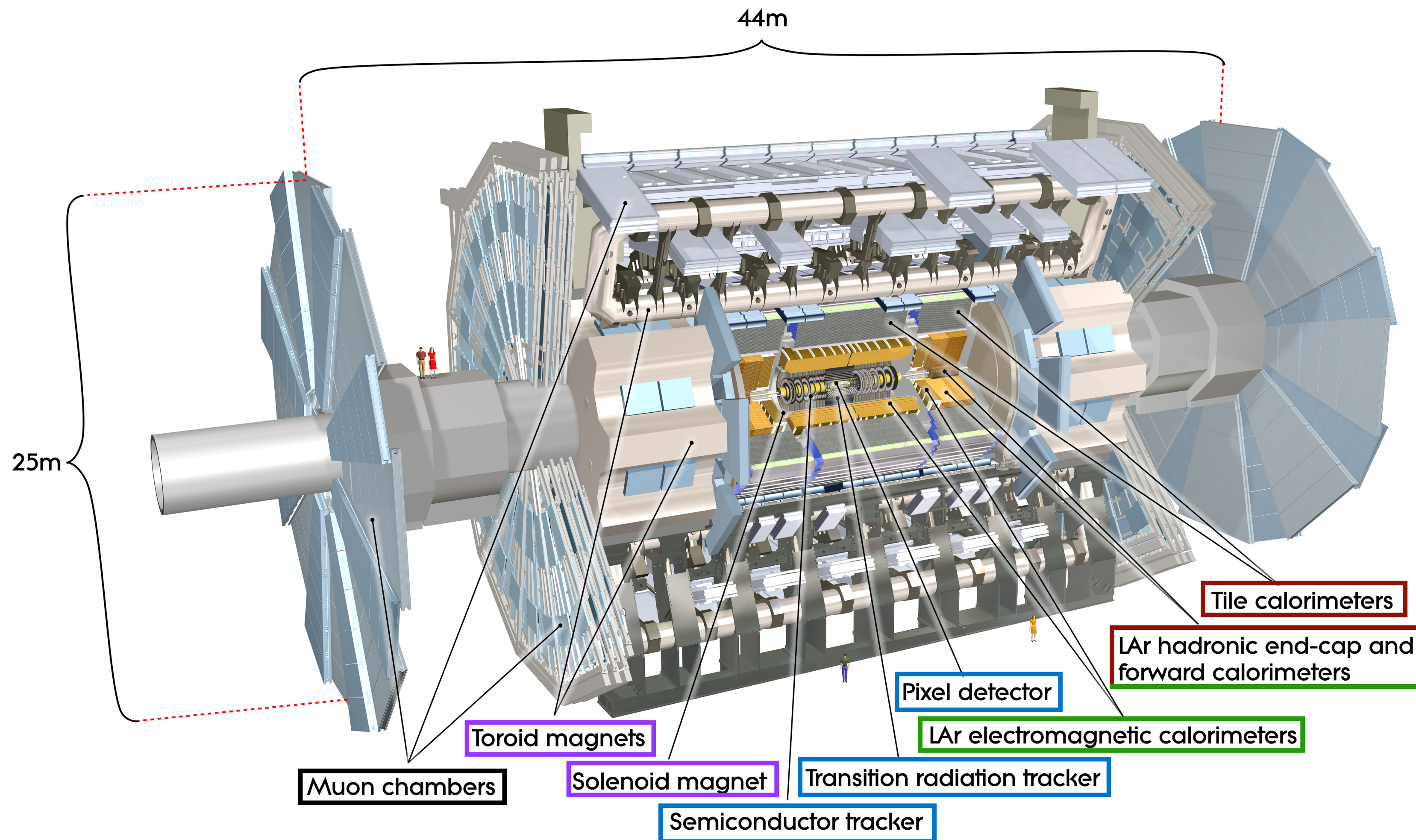
With an increased Higgs boson transverse momentum, the two decay products tend to get closer to each other. Two different regimes are defined:

- ▶ **Resolved:** two single objects can be reconstructed, aiming at low m_{HH} .
- ▶ **Boosted:** one object is reconstructed with dedicated sub-structure analysis.

How to look for Higgs pairs?



The produced particles are recorded by the ATLAS detector designed as an onion like structure with specific sub-detectors:



Inner detector:

Charged particles tracks and vertices.

Electromagnetic calorimeter:

Electron and photon reconstruction (E, direction)

Hadronic calorimeter:

Charged and neutral hadron reconstruction (E, direction)

Muon spectrometer:

Muon trajectories

Magnet system:

Bends the charged particles for momentum measurements

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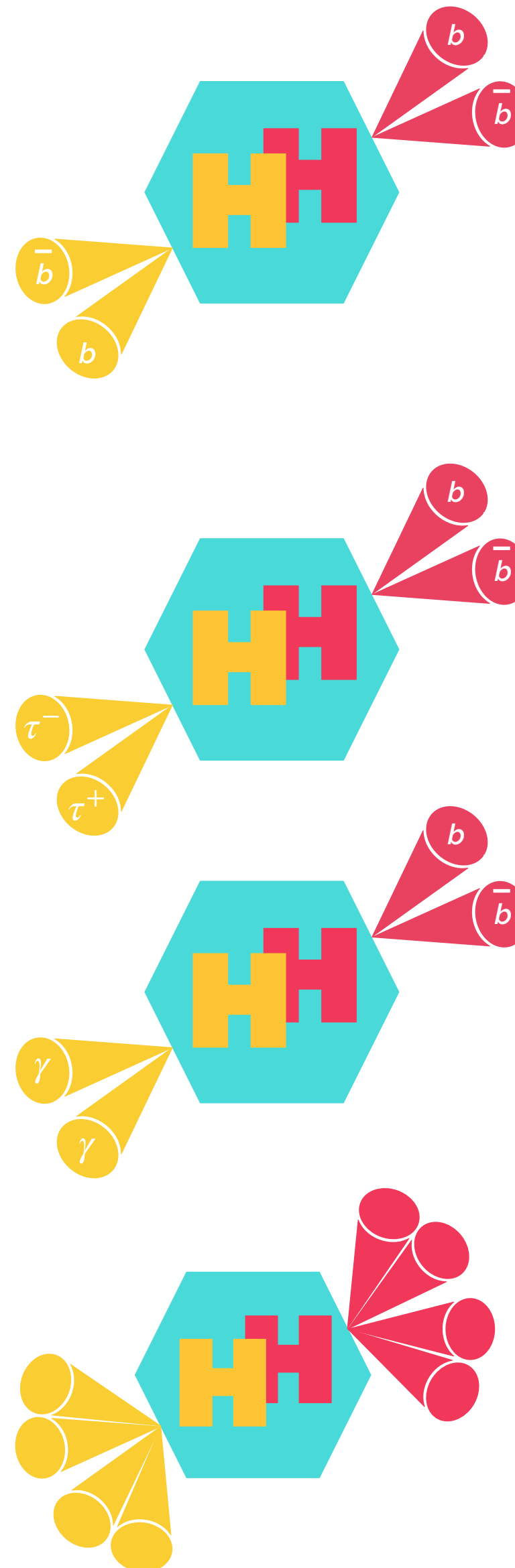
No clear *Golden channel*, but several promising signatures:

$BR(HH \rightarrow XXYY)$

	bb	WW	gg	$\tau\tau$	cc	ZZ	$\gamma\gamma$	Z γ	$\mu\mu$
bb	33%								
WW	25%	4.6%							
gg									
$\tau\tau$	7.4%								
cc									
ZZ	3.1%								
$\gamma\gamma$	0.26%	0.1%							
Z γ									
$\mu\mu$									

= results from ATLAS

Combining the results is necessary for observation.



$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$

- ▶ $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$: High BR
- ▶ Large hadronic background

ggF: $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$

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Resonant ggF: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

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$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$

- ▶ $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$: High BR
- ▶ $H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$: Low background

Resolved: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

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$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$

- ▶ $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$: High BR
- ▶ $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: Good mass resolution

ggF. resolved: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

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$HH \rightarrow W^+W^- + XX / HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}ZZ$

- ▶ Decent BR from $H \rightarrow VV$
- ▶ Complex final signatures due to the decay of Vs

$b\bar{b}l\nu l\nu$: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

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$\gamma\gamma WW^*$: $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$

[Eur. Phys. J. C 78 \(2018\) 1007](#)

$b\bar{b}l\nu q\bar{q}$: $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$

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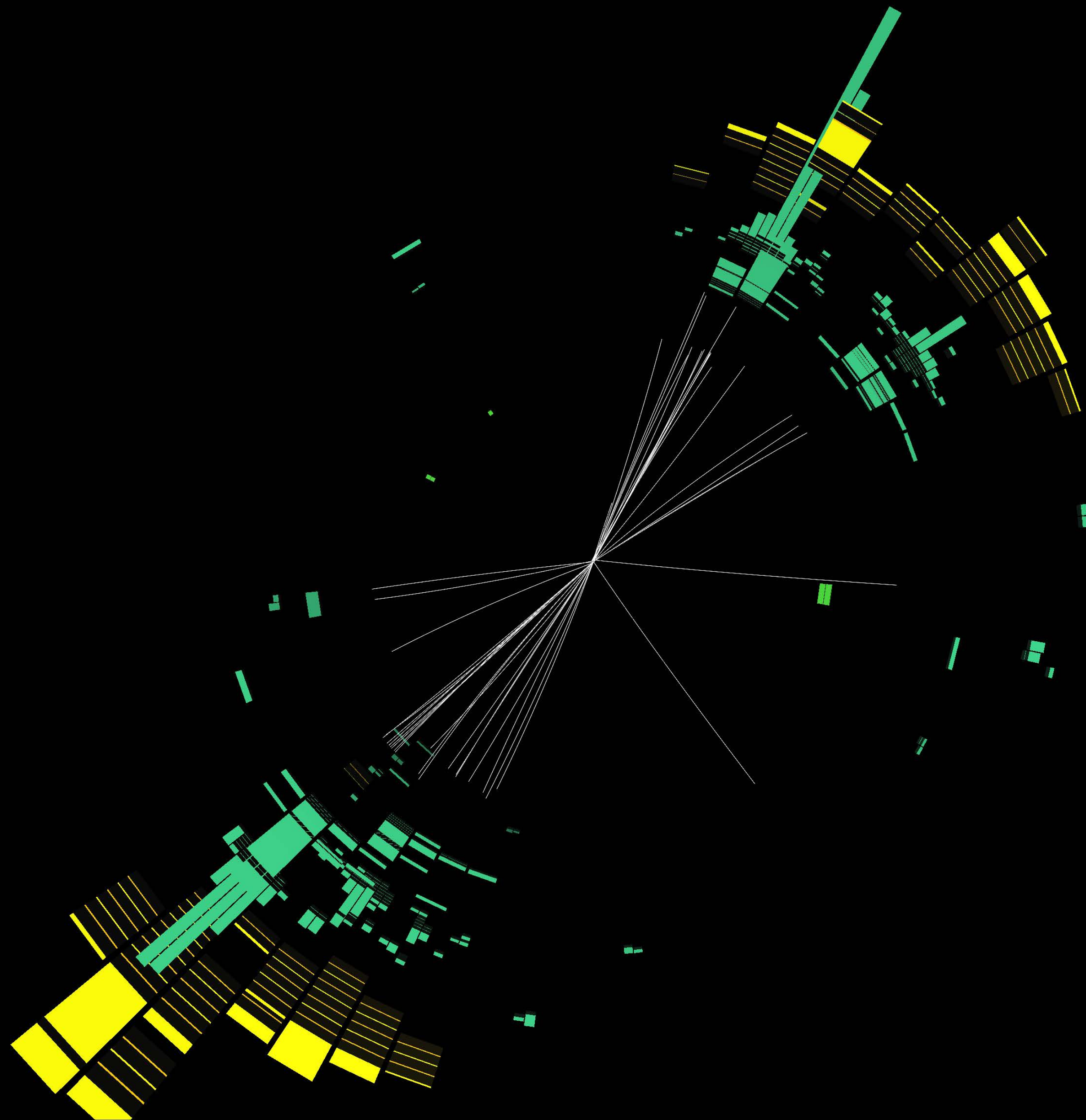
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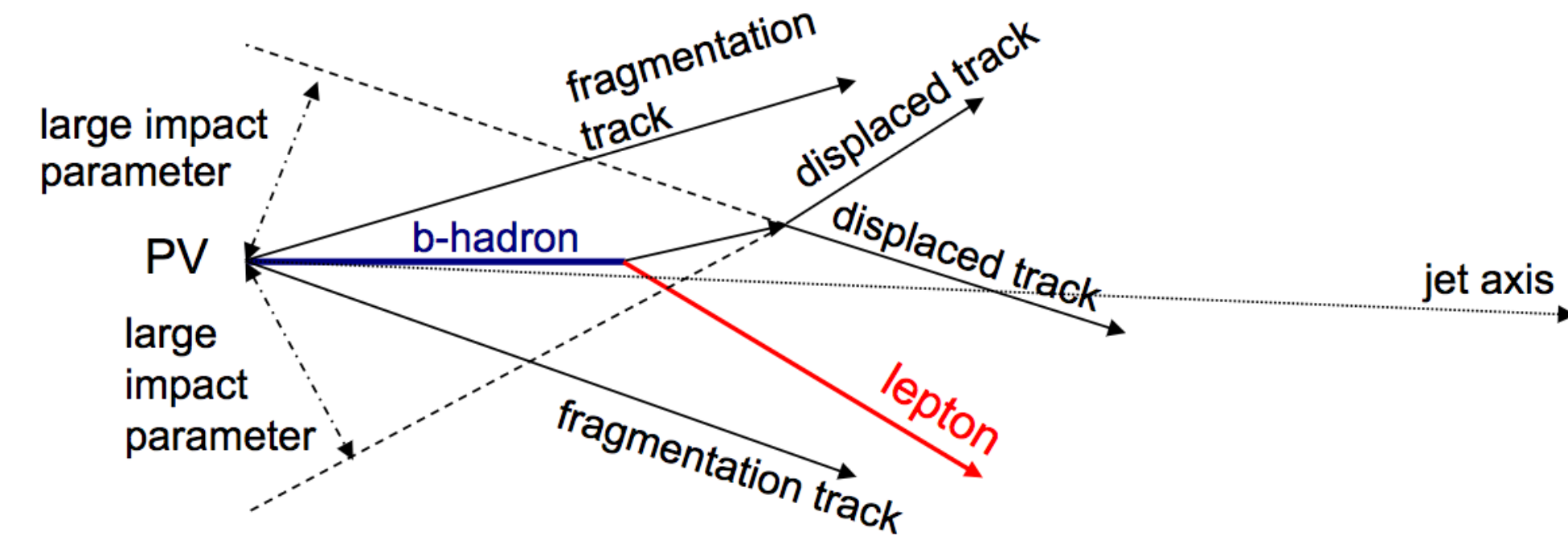


How to identify b-jets

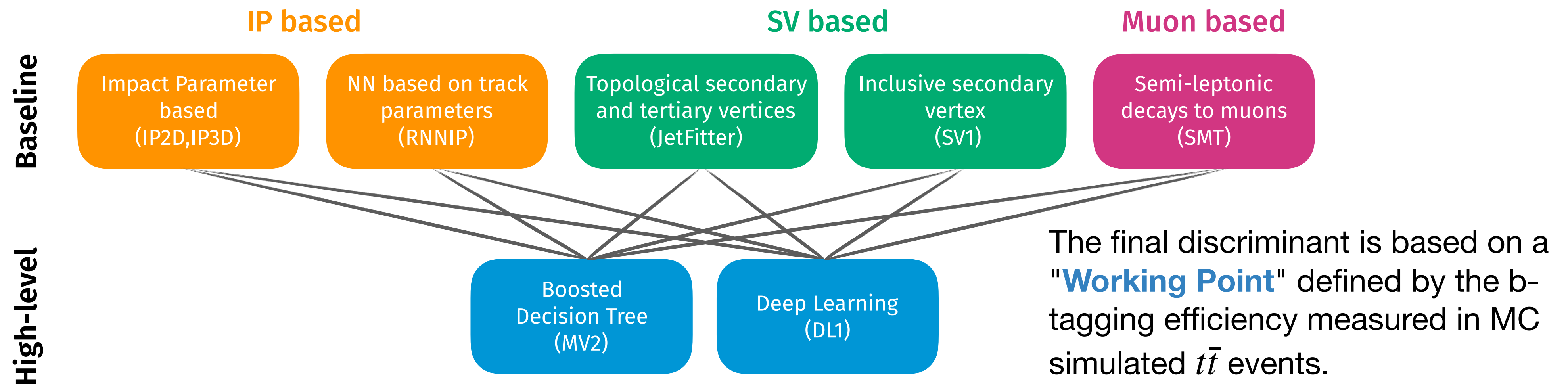


B-hadrons have a unique experimental signature that allow to identify them:

- ▶ **Large lifetime** (~ 1.5 ps) \rightarrow **Secondary Vertex** and tracks with large **Impact Parameter**.
- ▶ High **decay multiplicity** (average: 5 charged particles).
- ▶ In $\sim 42\%$ of the cases the b-hadron decays **semi-leptonically** \rightarrow search for **“soft” muons** in the Secondary Vertex.



These features are used by **Baseline** taggers (targeting one behaviour) that are then combined in **Higher-Level** algorithms:



Dedicated **energy corrections** are also applied to account for the soft muon as well as energy mis measurements.



Strategy

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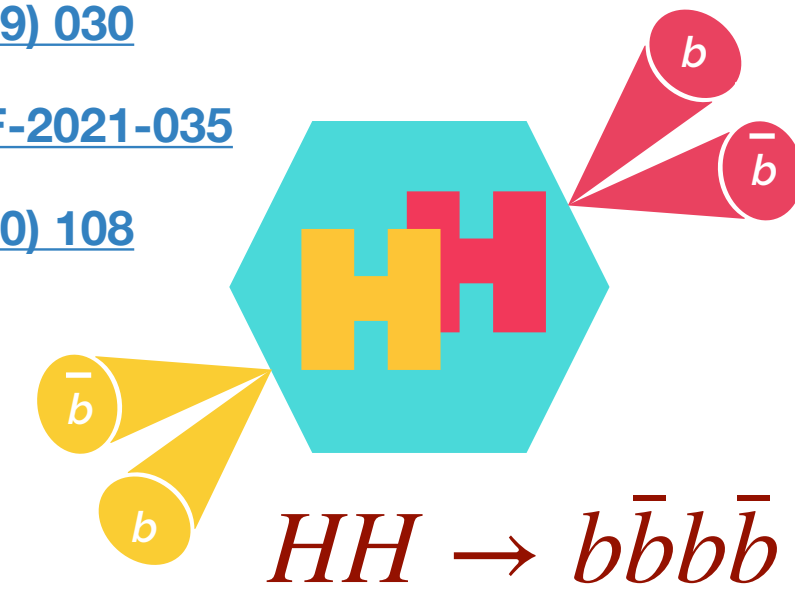
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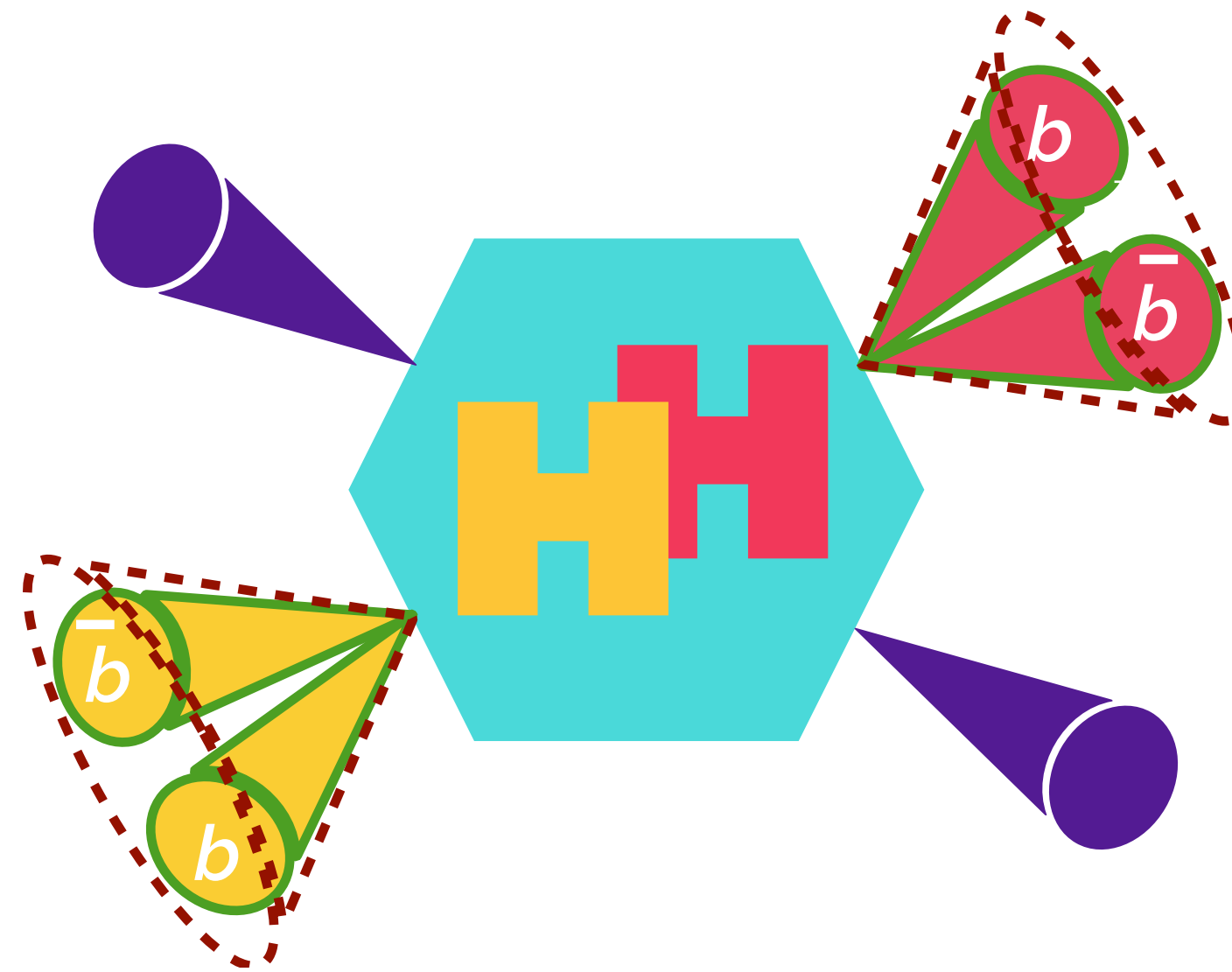
ggF Non resonant / Resonant

Resolved:

- ▶ At least 4 central b-tagged jets.

Boosted:

- ▶ At least 2 large R jets;
- ▶ At least 1 variable radius b-tagged jet in each large R jet.



VBF Non resonant / Resonant

Central jets:

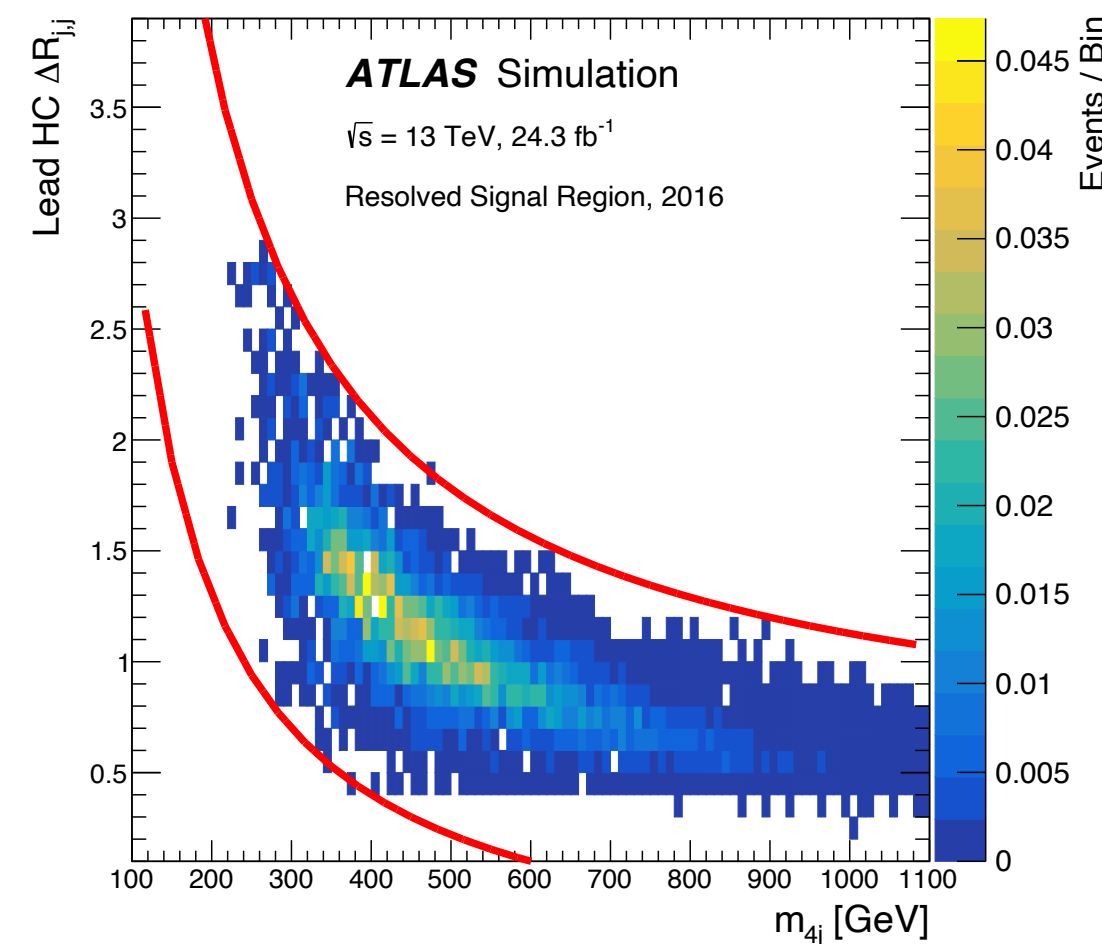
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VBF jets:

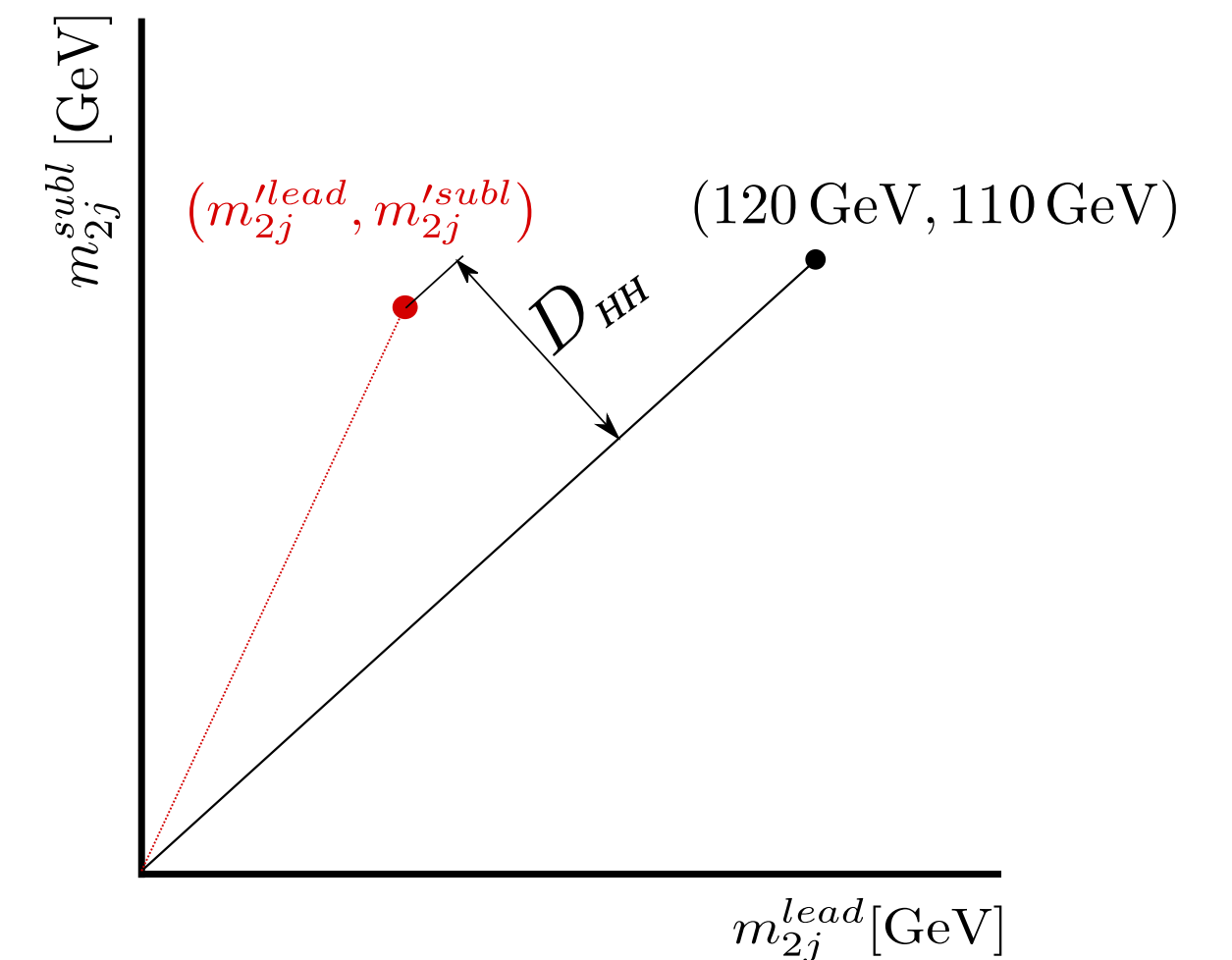
- ▶ At least 2 forward jets with opposite η sign.

Pairing Jets

- Angular distance between jets in each Higgs candidate $|\Delta R_{jj}|$ is compared to the 4 body invariant mass m_{4j}



- Given that the reconstructed masses should be similar, the distance to median of the signal expectation is minimised.



This method has been replaced with a **BDT method** in the latest **resonant** result using angular quantities ($\Delta\eta$, $\Delta\phi$ and ΔR).

How to look for signal?

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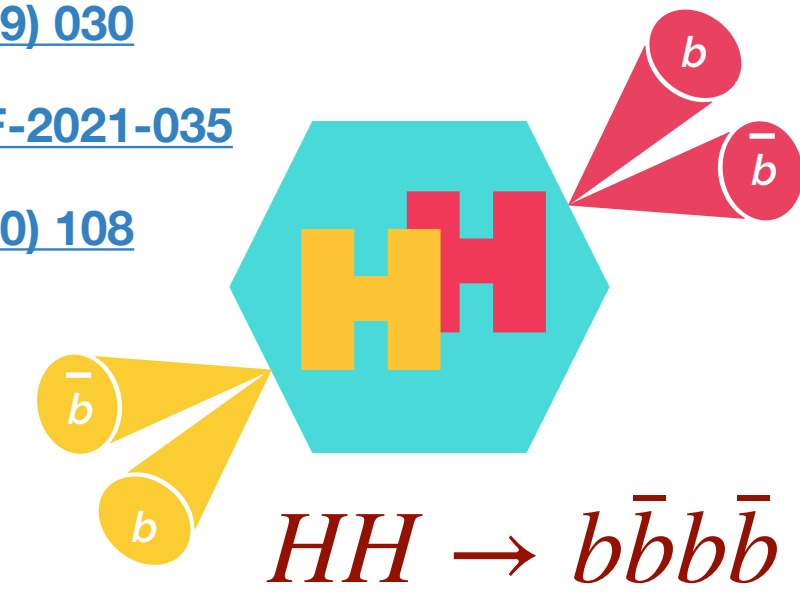
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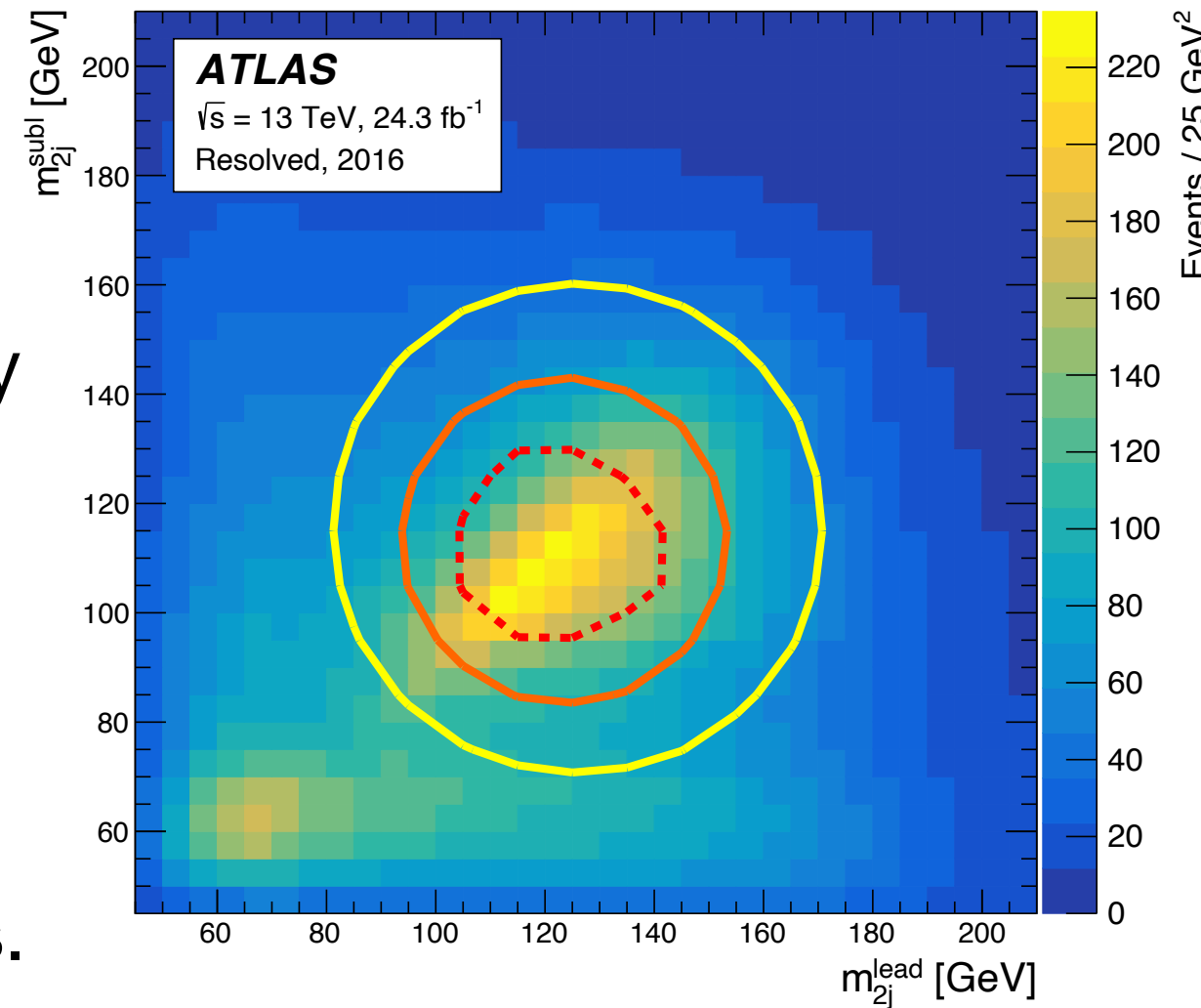
Fit: using the HH invariant mass

ggF

Resolved: Non resonant / Resonant

Main backgrounds:

- ▶ $t\bar{t}$: Rejected by specific variable measuring consistency of jet originating from top quark.
- ▶ multi-jets:
 - ▶ Dedicated Signal, Validation and Control Regions based Higgs bosons masses;
 - ▶ Shape is obtained by reweighting data in the 2 b-tagged SR: from sets of weights to MVA techniques.



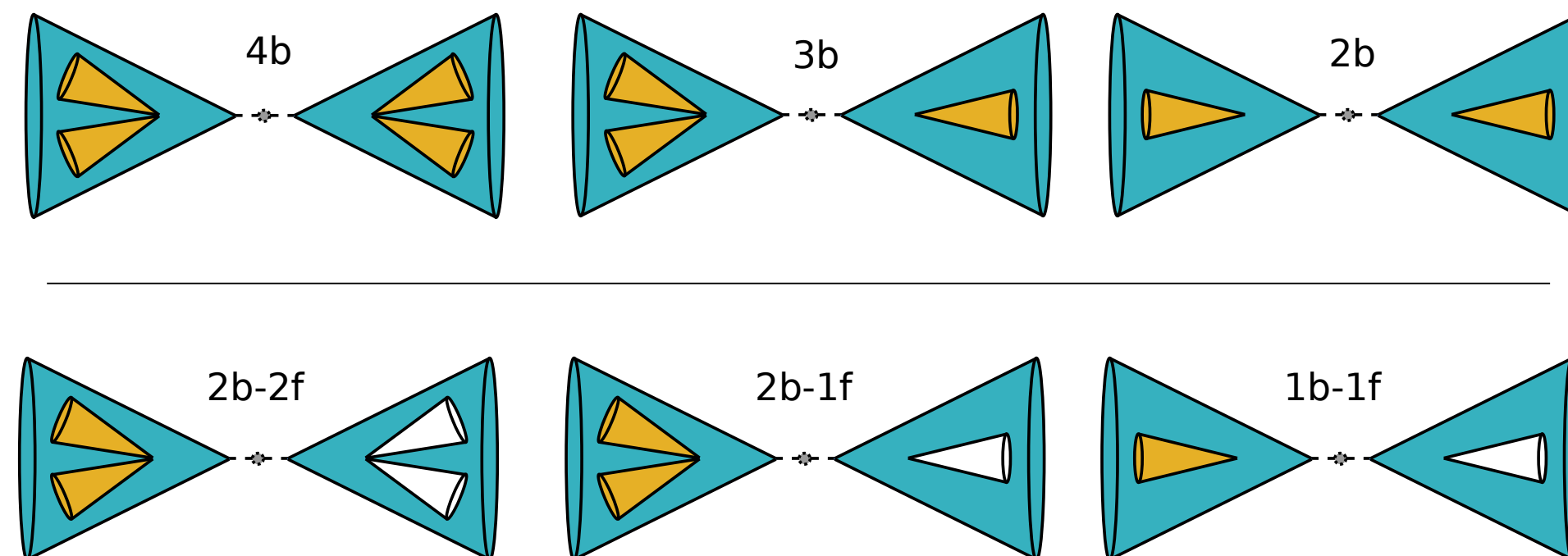
Boosted: Resonant

Due to low VR jet finding efficiency in large jets, 3 signal regions are defined.

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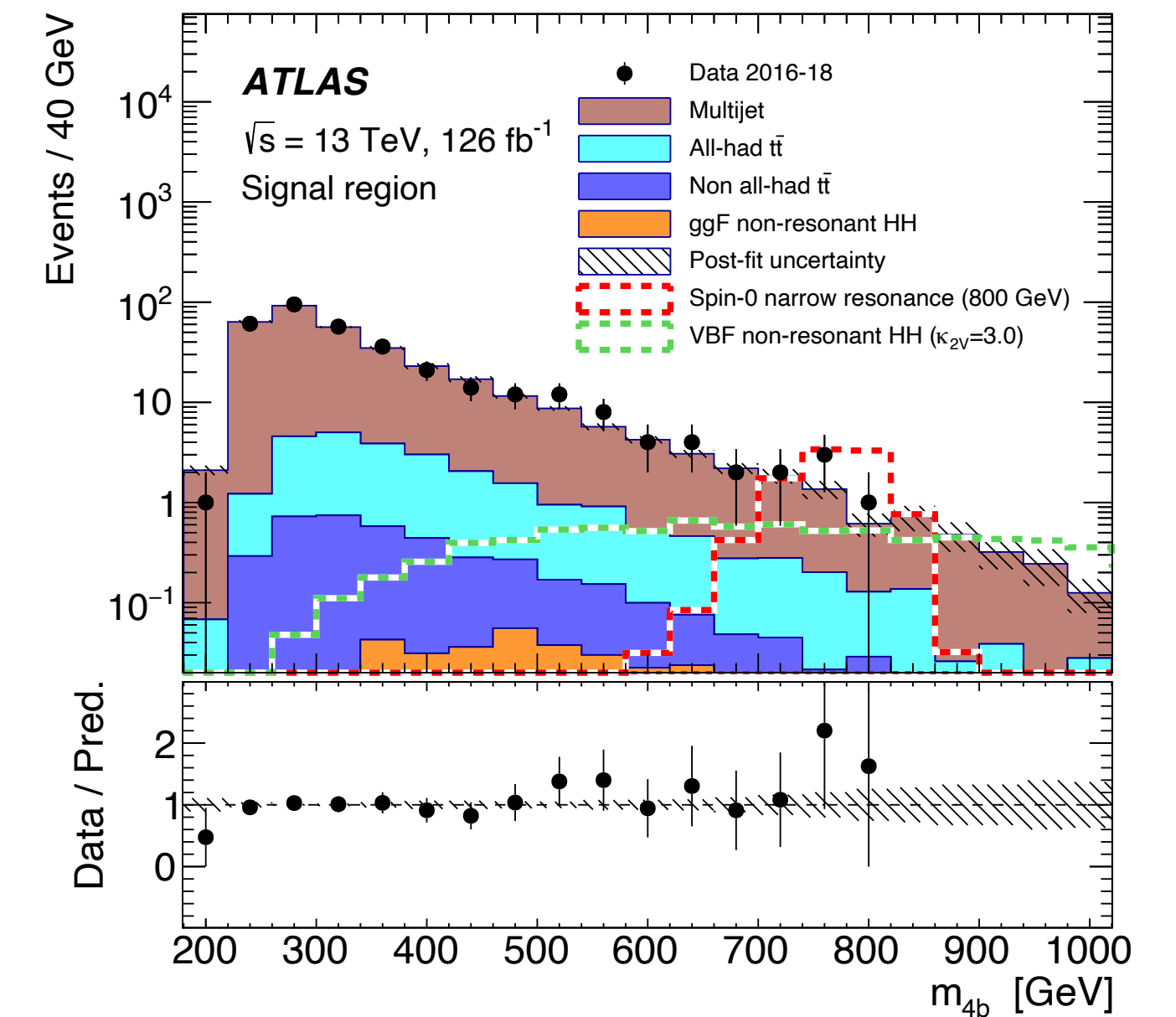
$t\bar{t}$ and multi-jets contribute:

- ▶ Normalisation is taken from fit to the CR data.
- ▶ For multi-jets an iterative reweighting technique is used to match kinematics between untagged and tagged jets.



VBF

Similar cuts as for the ggF resolved analysis.



Results

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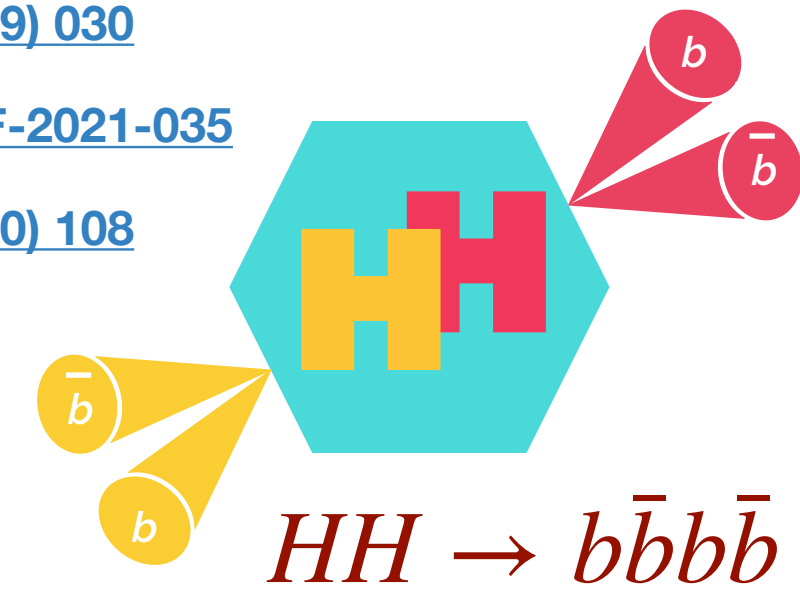
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ggF

No significant excess found

Non-resonant Resolved

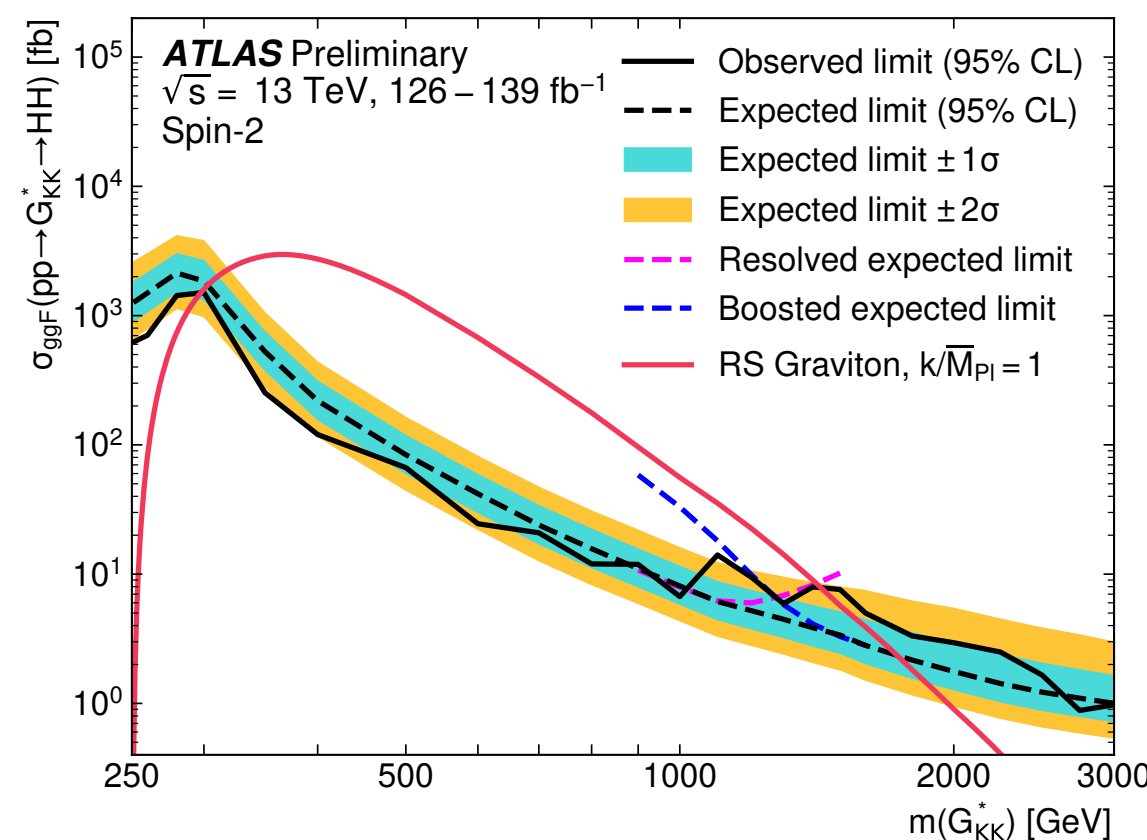
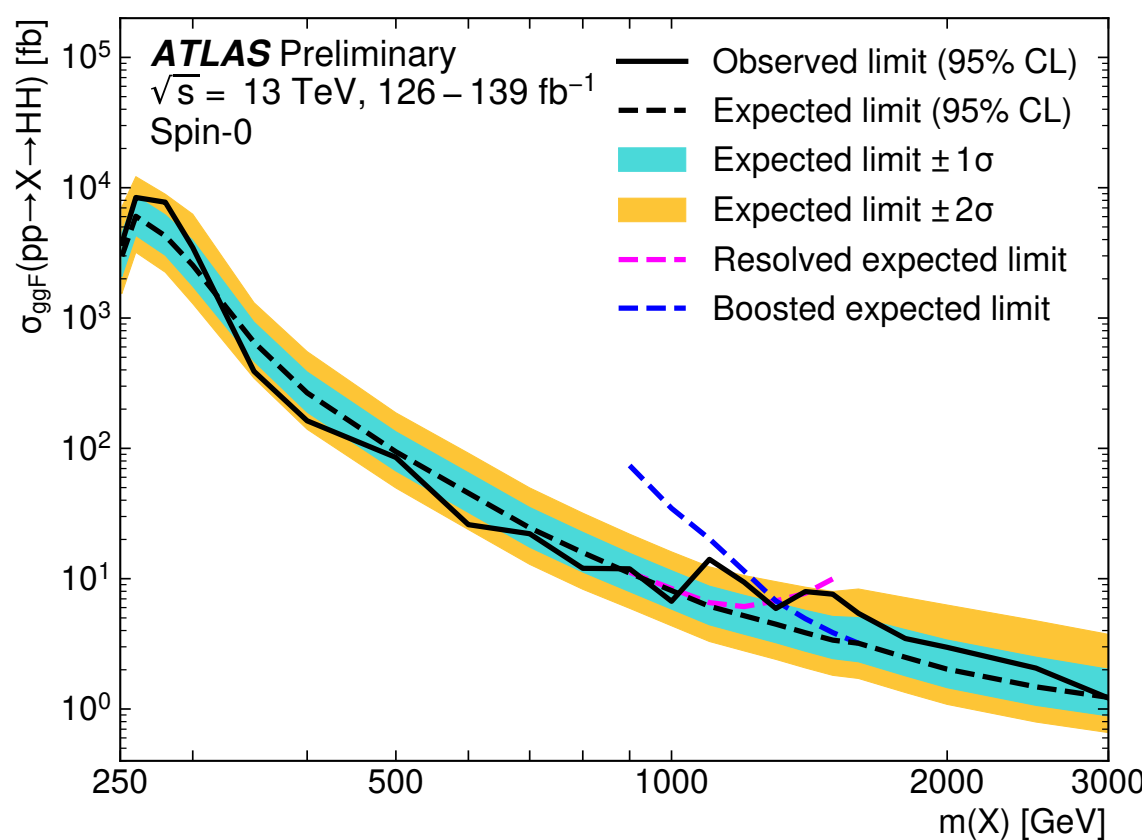
$$\sigma_{HH}^{ggF} \times BR(HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b})$$

observed (expected) limit is
12.9 (14.8) times the SM prediction.

Resonant Resolved (251–1500 GeV) **Boosted** (900–3000 GeV)

Limits set on $\sigma(X/G_{KK} \rightarrow HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b})$:

Most significant excess is found at 1.1 TeV with a local (global) significance of 2.6 σ (1.0 σ).

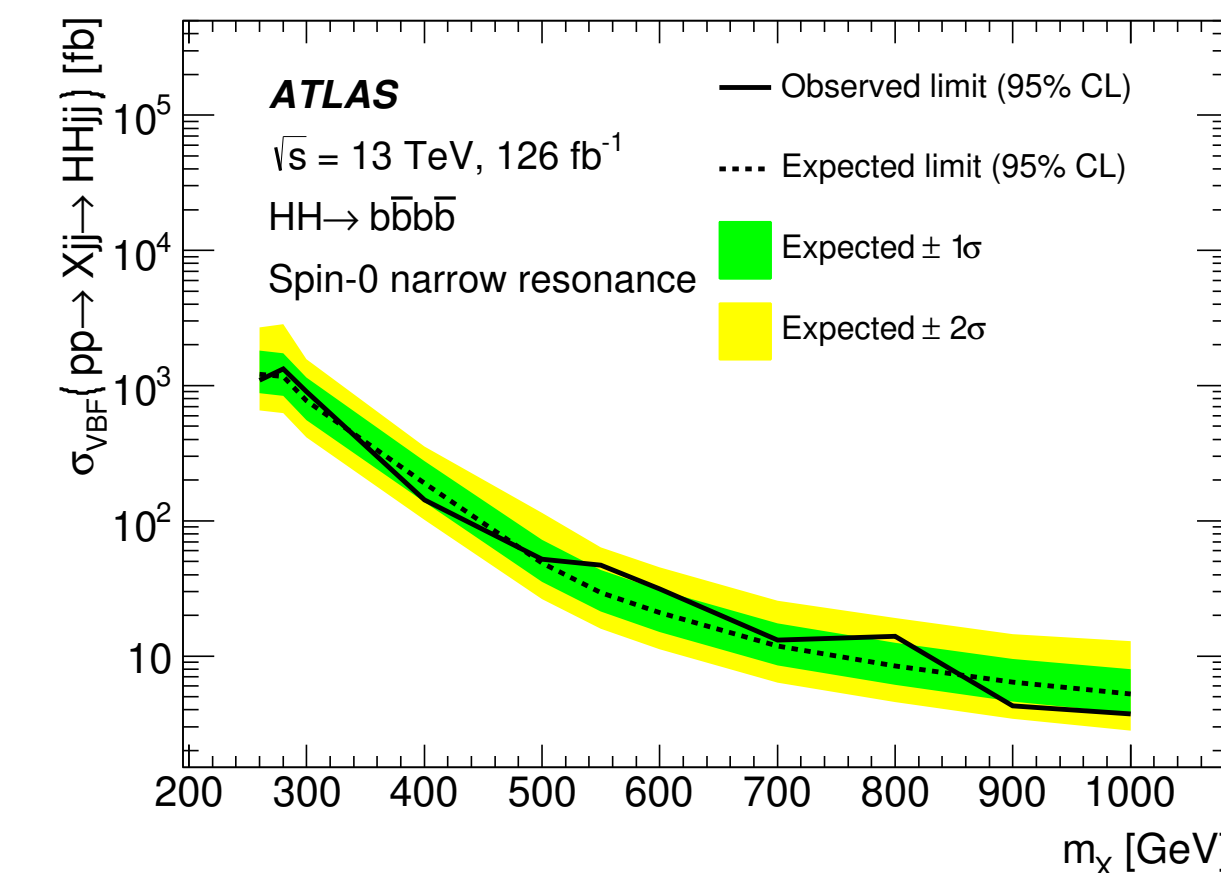


Non-resonant

σ_{HH}^{VBF} observed (expected) limit is 840 (550) times the SM prediction.

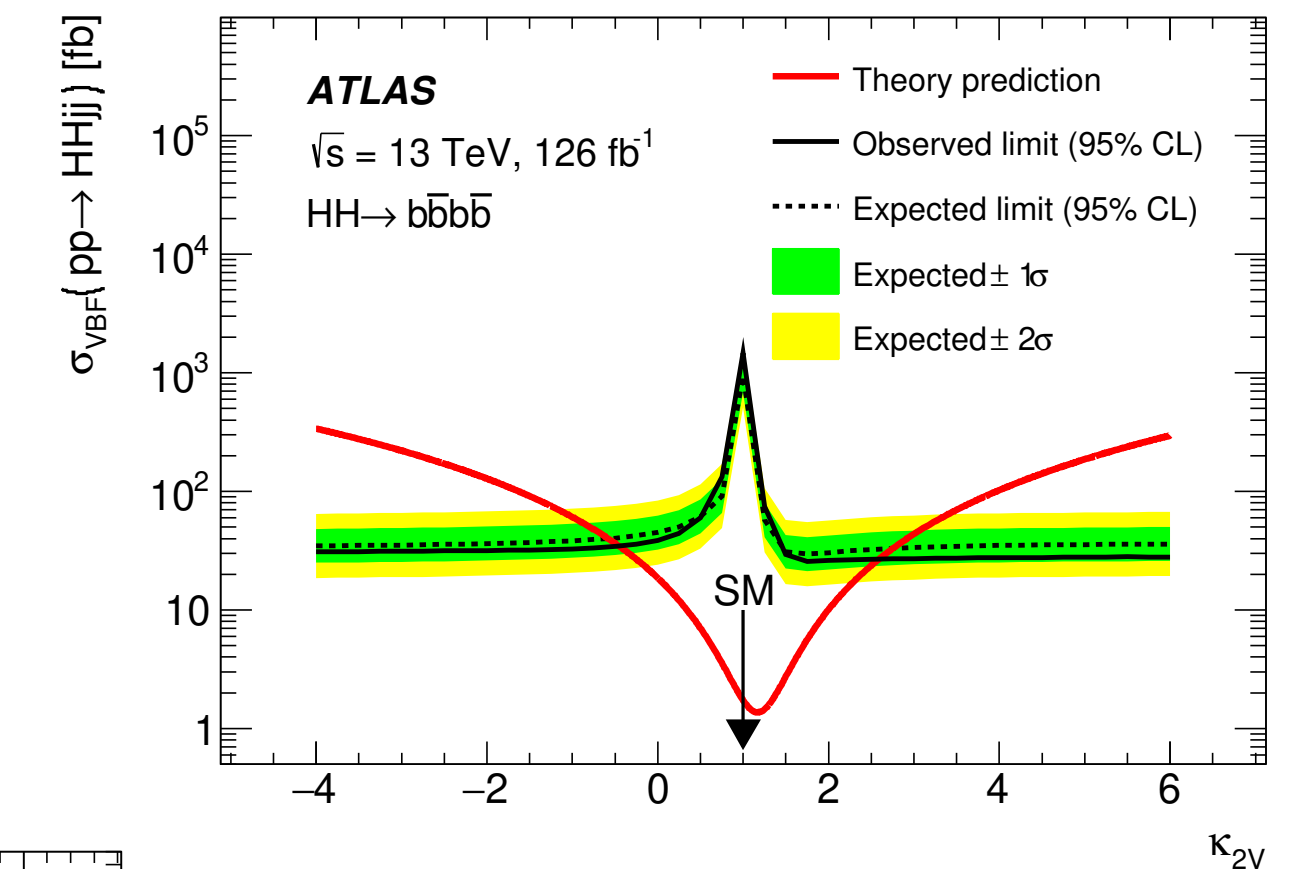
Limits are set on κ_{2V} :

$-0.4 < \kappa_{2V} < 2.6$ (observed),
 $-0.6 < \kappa_{2V} < 2.7$ (expected).



VBF

No significant excess found

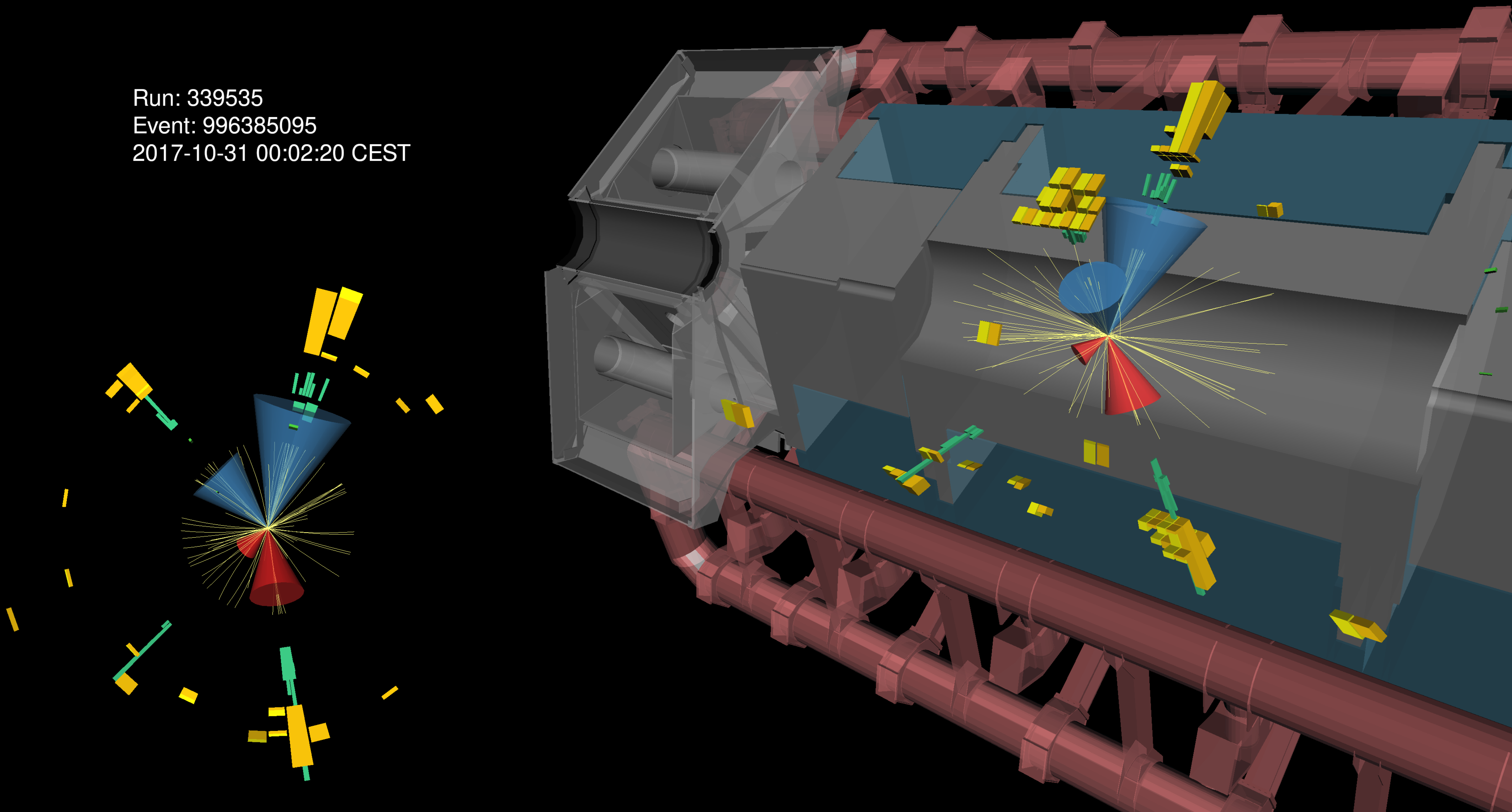


Resonant

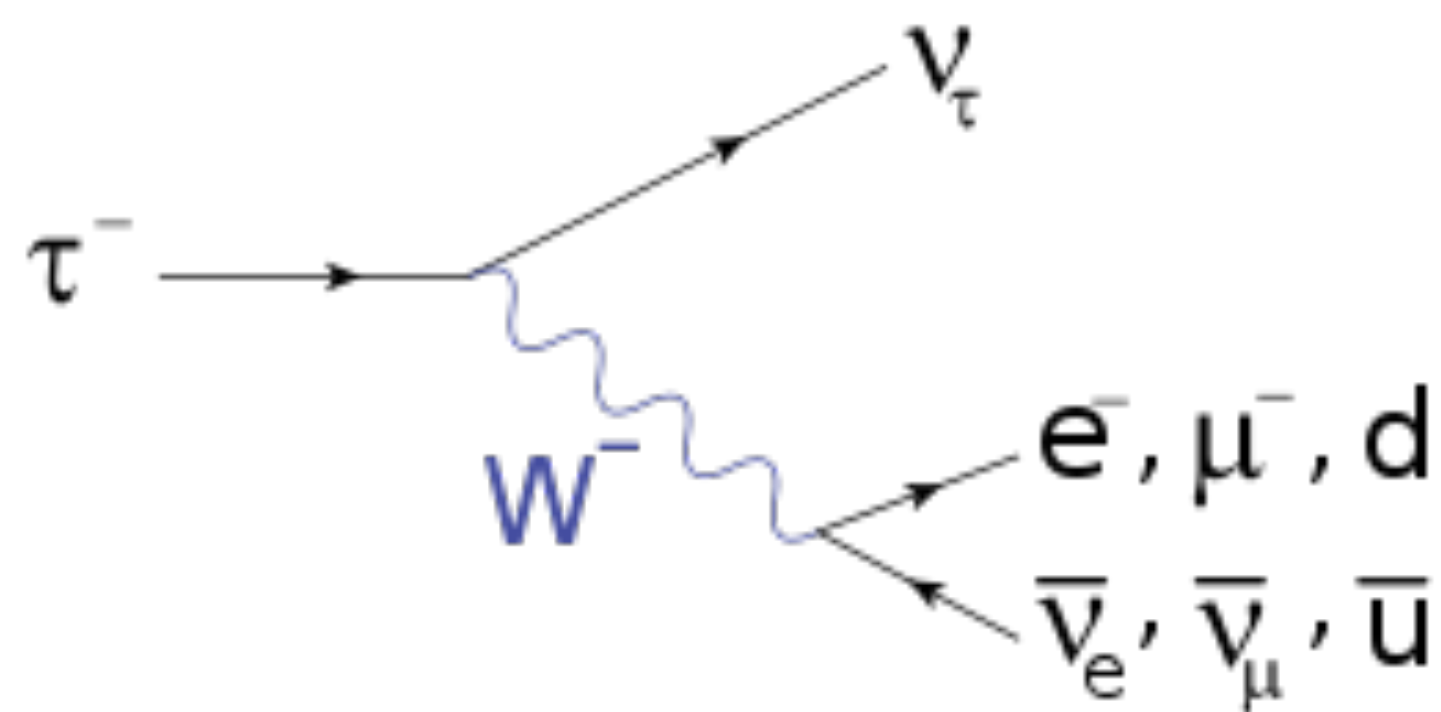
Limits set on $\sigma_{VBF}(X \rightarrow HH)$ where X is either a narrow- or broad-width scalar resonance

$$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$$

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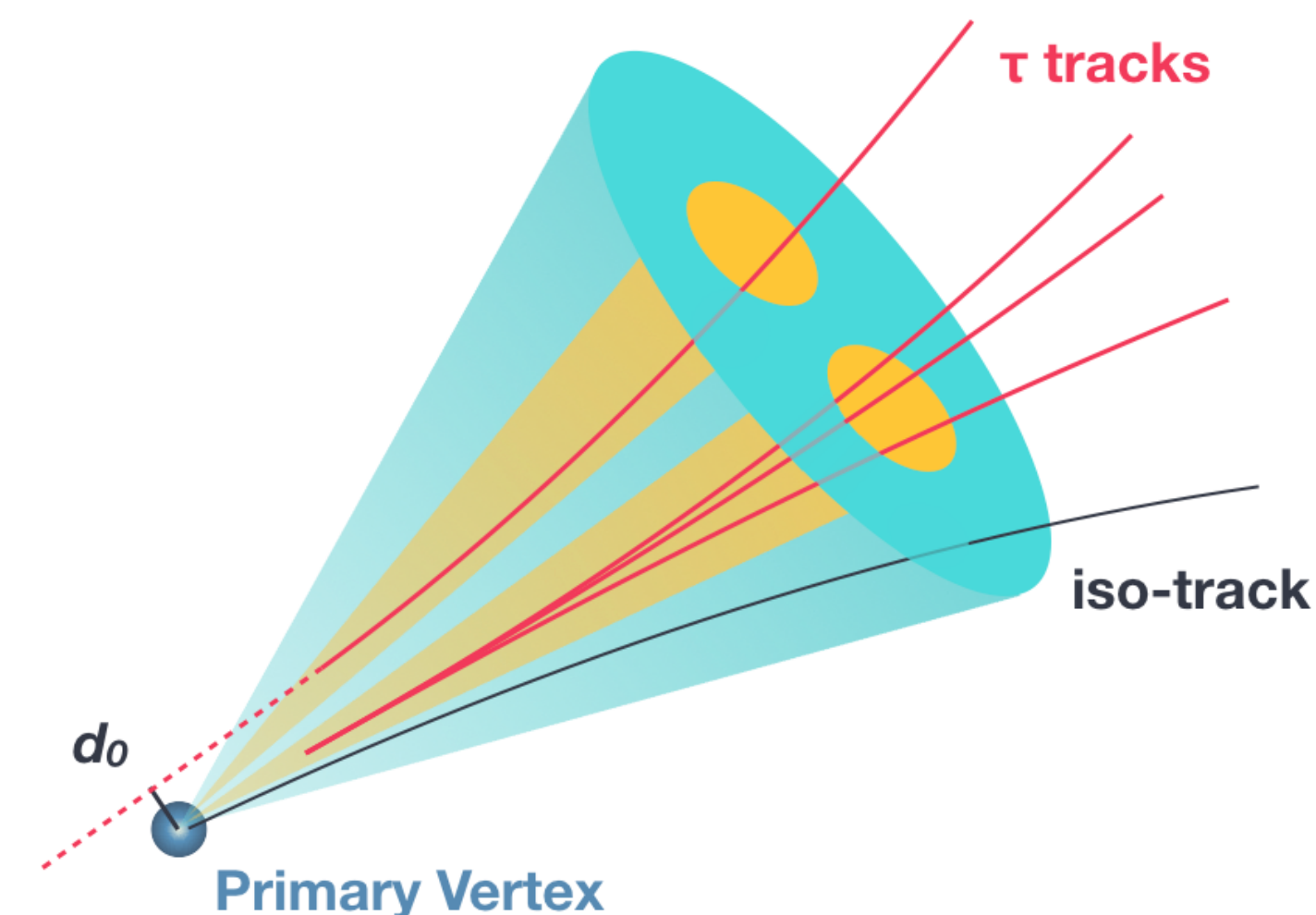
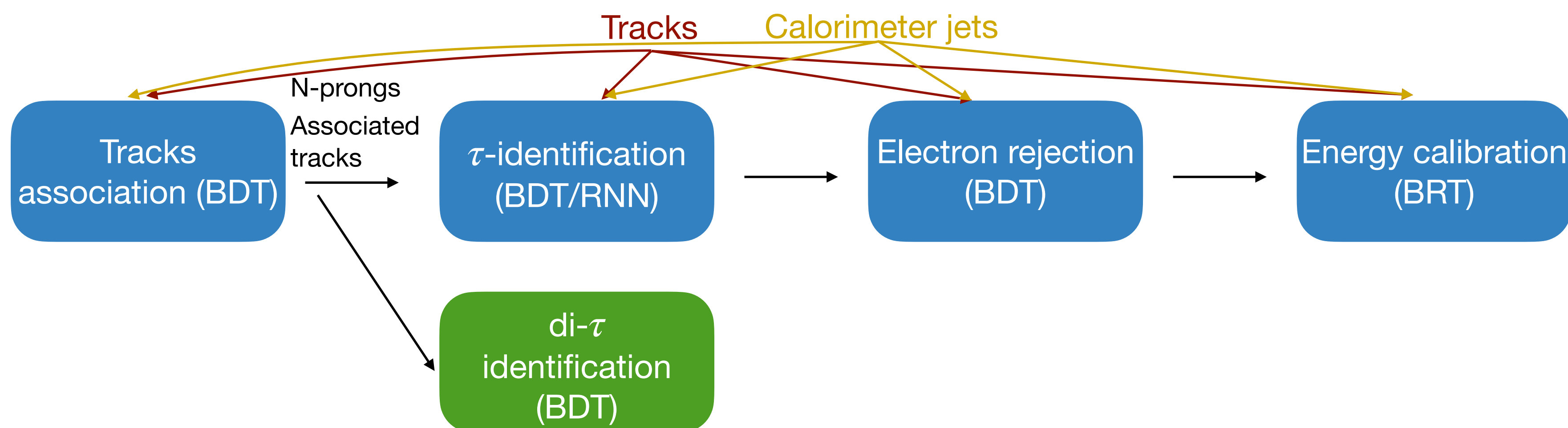


How to reconstruct tau leptons ?



Similarly to B-hadron, **tau leptons** have a unique complex experimental signature:

- ▶ Small lifetime (~ 0.3 ps) with large mass (1.78 GeV).
- ▶ Decays in **35 %** of the time to **electrons** or **muons** + neutrinos (undetected).
- ▶ In the other case it decays **hadronically**, mostly into 1 or 3 charged pions, with one possible additional neutral pion.
 - ▶ Challenging final state to identify and reconstruct.
 - ▶ Wider energetic deposit and more tracks compared to quark-like jet.
 - ▶ Dedicated MVA algorithms are used to **identify** and **reconstruct** the tau candidates.



In **boosted topologies**, the reconstructed jets are closer to each other. A dedicated BDT is therefore trained to account for **smaller radius jets** and the **specific topologies**. No additional energy correction was found to be needed in these cases.

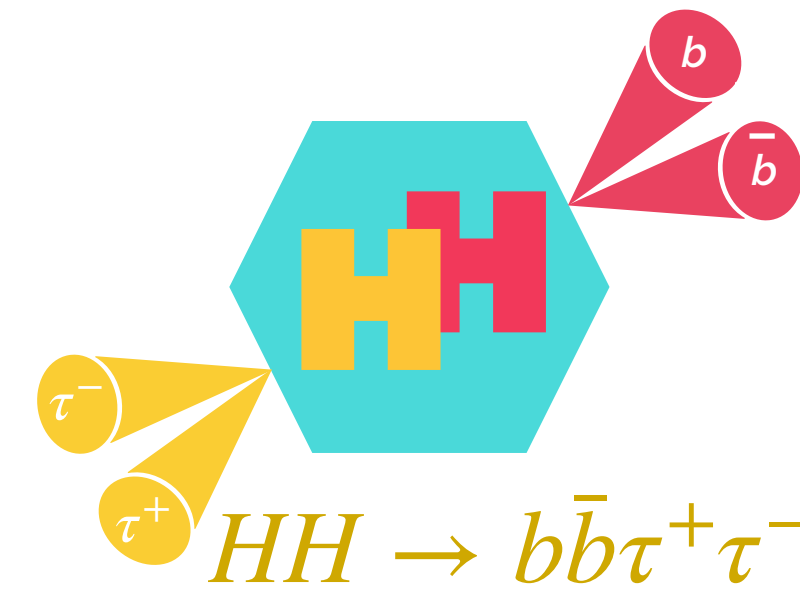
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The analyses are build on the final state of the tau decay:

Resolved:

At least one hadronic tau is requested:

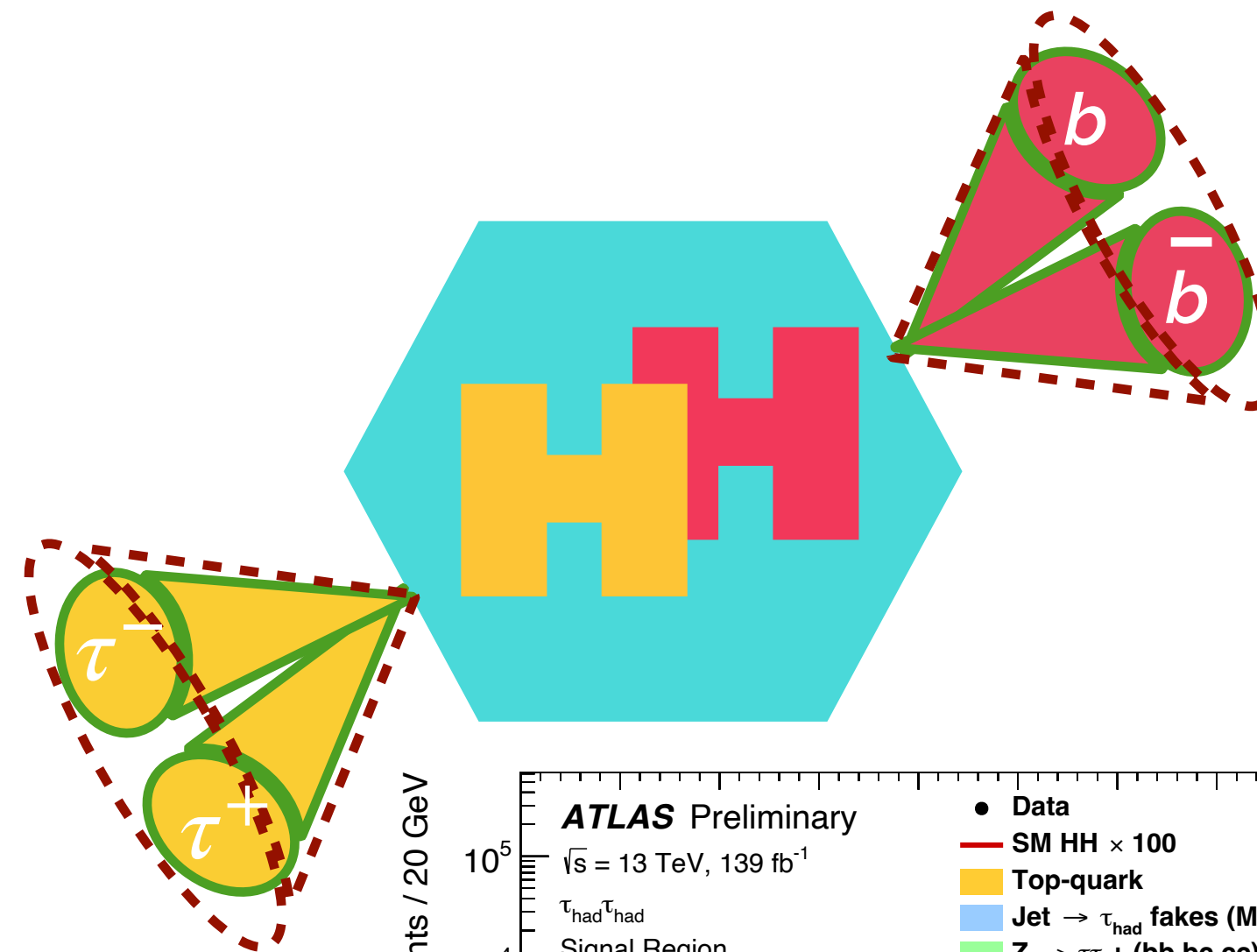
- ▶ $\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$: exactly 1 lepton + 1 hadronic τ ;
- ▶ $\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$: exactly two hadronic τ s.

As the mass of the system is not well defined, the **Missing Mass Calculator** is used to get a better estimate.

Boosted:

Only hadronic taus are considered inside one large angular jet :

- ▶ ≤ 3 sub-jets, sum of track charge ± 1 in each sub- τ .

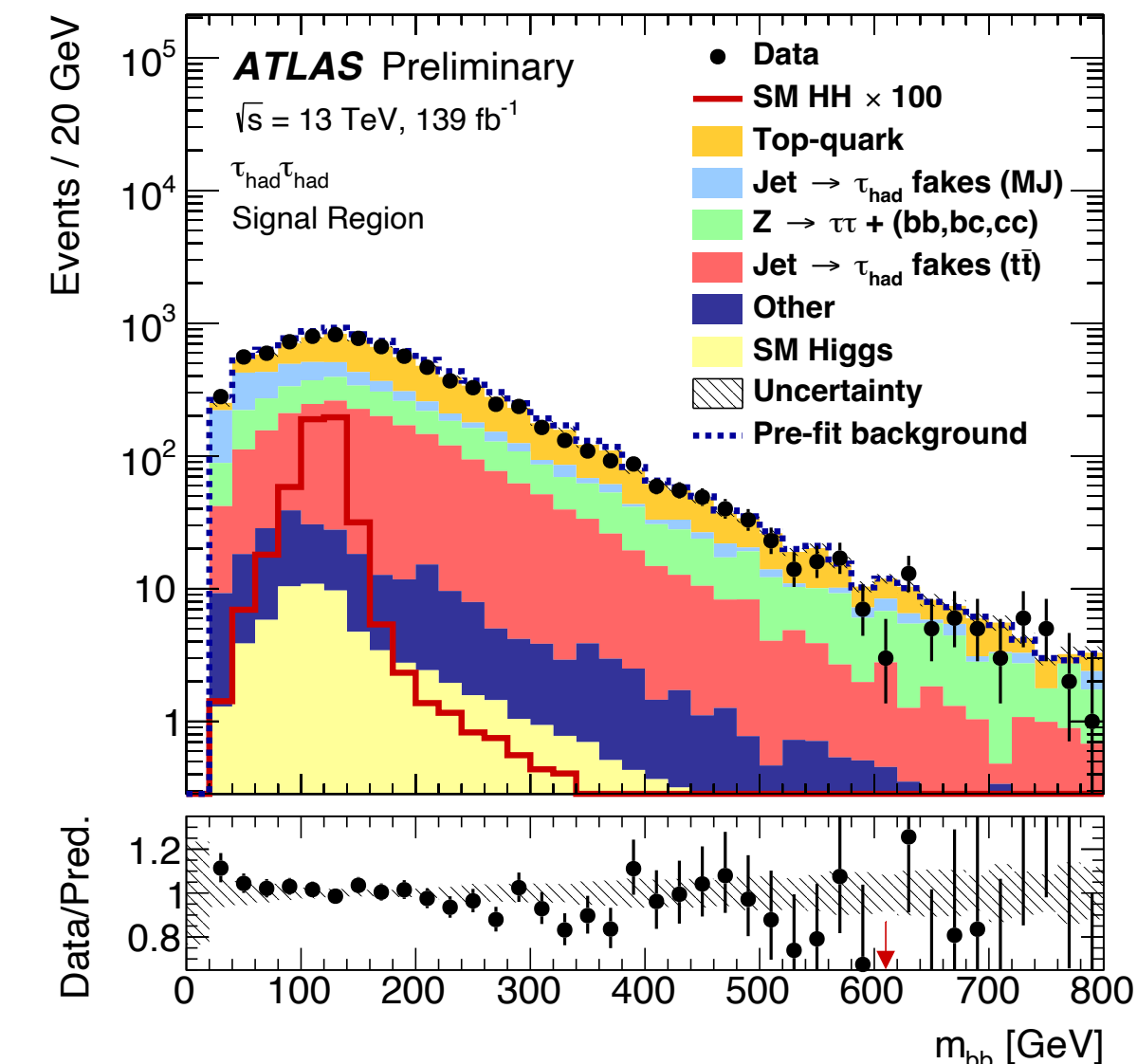
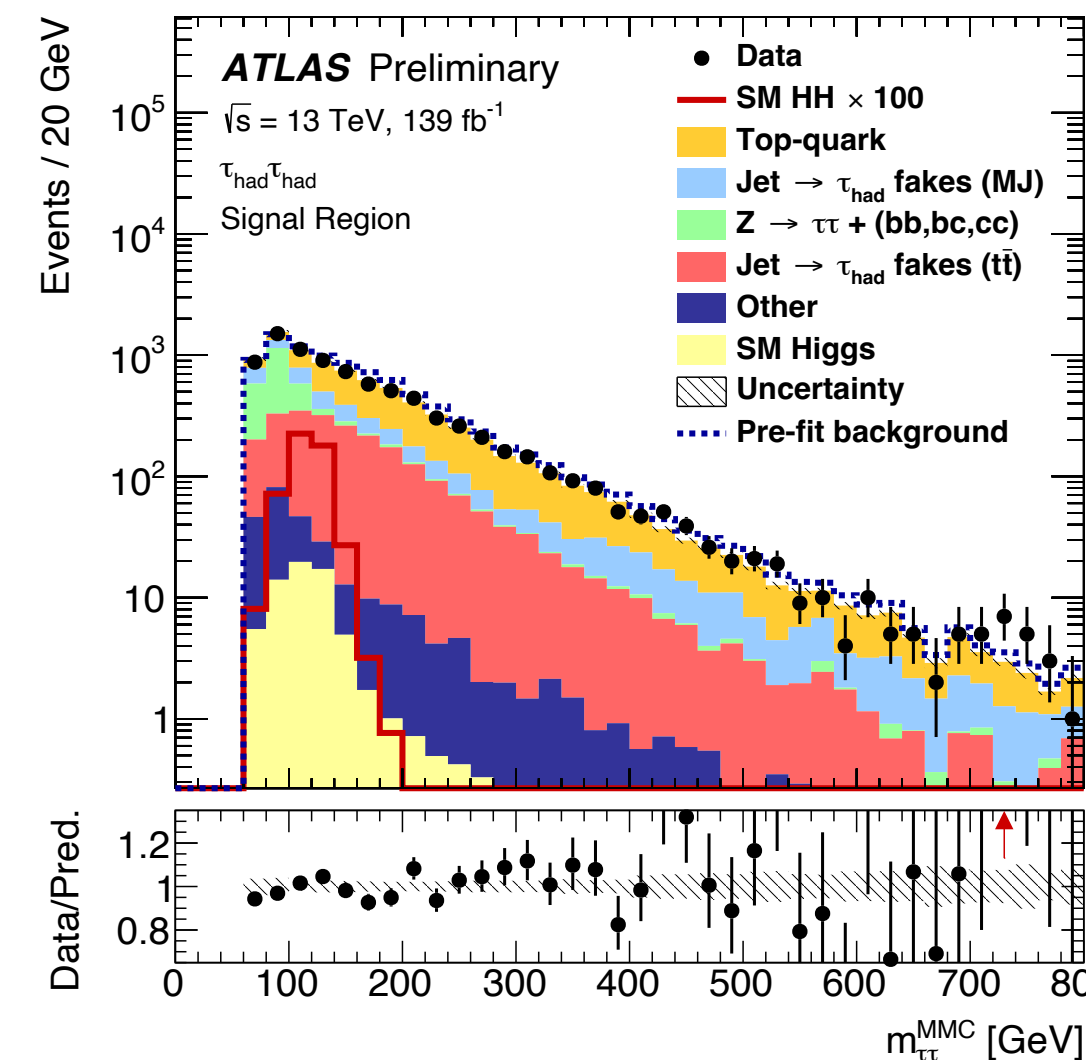


Resolved:

Exactly 2 b-jets

Boosted:

- ▶ ≥ 1 extra large R jet;
- ▶ 2 variable radius b-tagged jets inside.



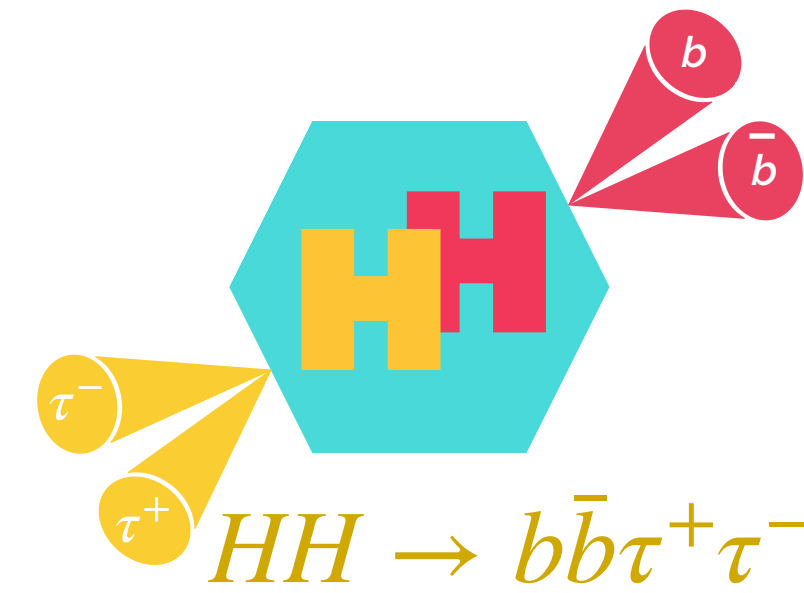
How to look for signal?

Resolved: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

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Boosted: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

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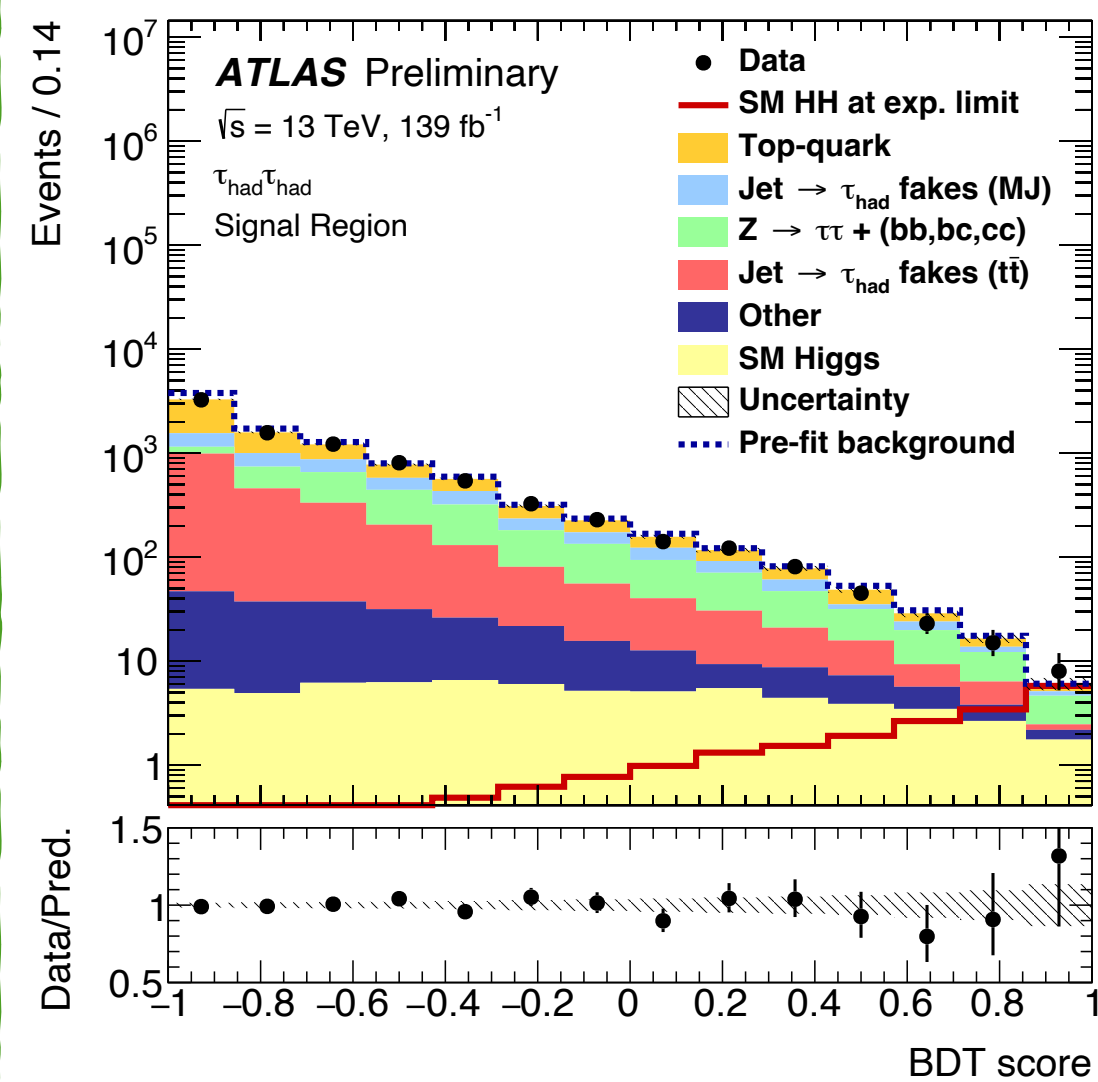
Resolved:

Fit: based on a **MVA distribution** trained in 3 SRs:

- ▶ $\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$: Single Lepton Trigger (STT), Lepton + Tau Trigger (LTT);
- ▶ $\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$: Single/Di Tau Triggers.

Non-resonant

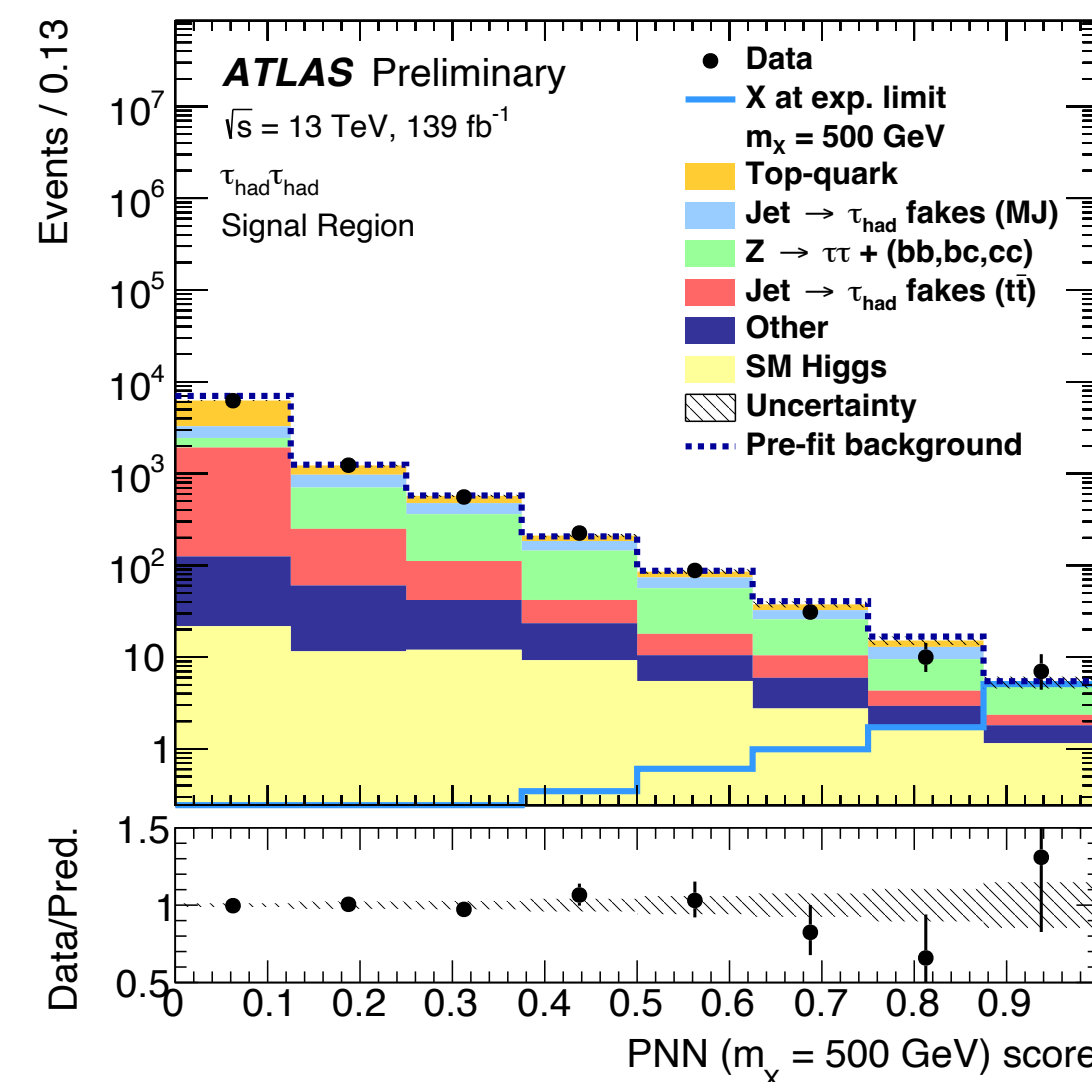
- ▶ BDT in $\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ category;
- ▶ NN in $\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ category.



dedicated Control Regions for:
 $t\bar{t}$, $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$, multi-jets (evaluated from data-driven ABCD method)

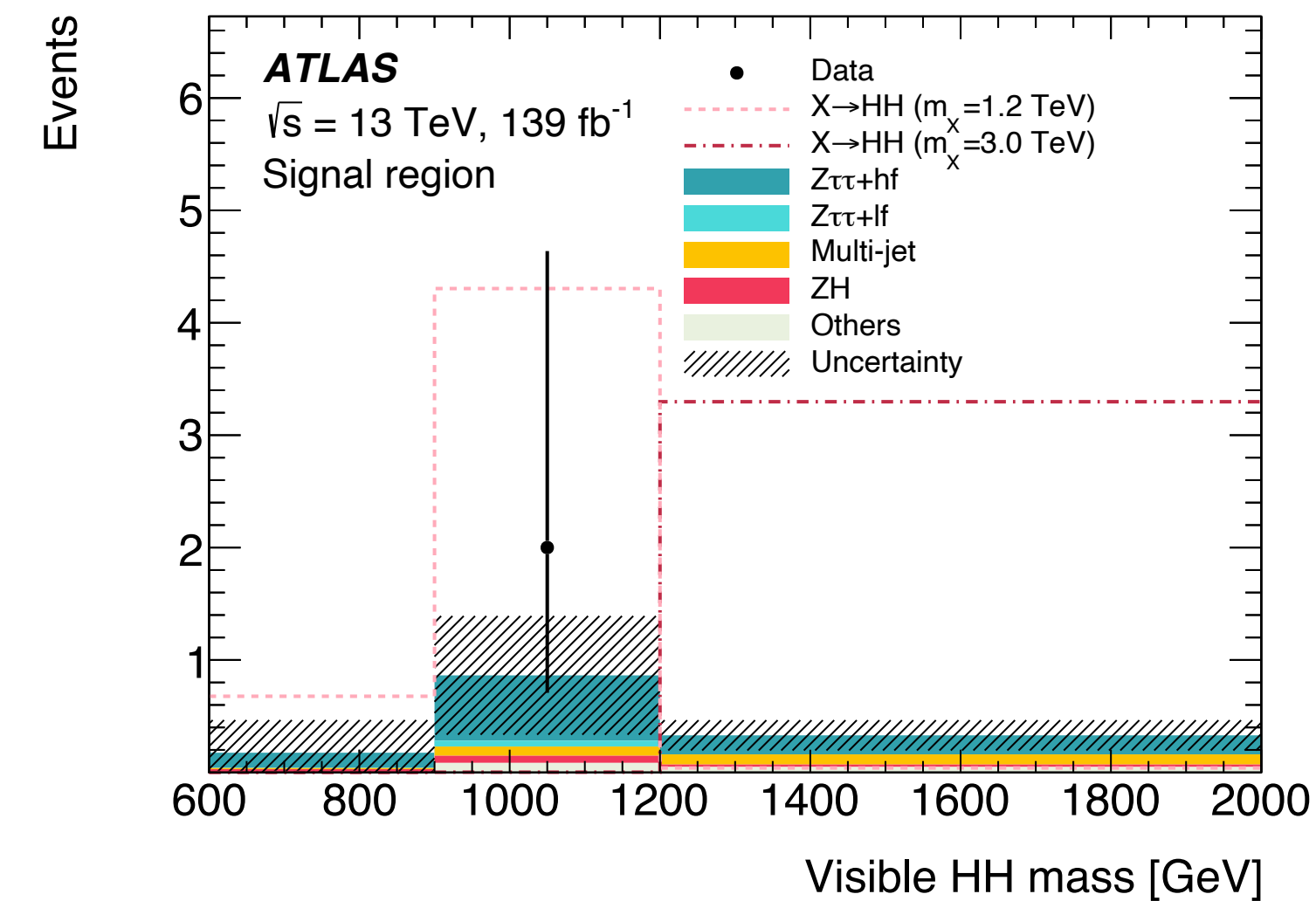
Resonant

Parametrised NN to ease the interpolation between mass points



Boosted:

Fit: Single bin fit for different *resonant* masses.



Selections based on:

- ▶ Mass of Large R jet;
- ▶ visible di-Higgs mass m_{HH}^{vis} .

dedicated Control Regions for:

$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau + \text{jets}$, multi-jets (evaluated from data-driven ABCD method)

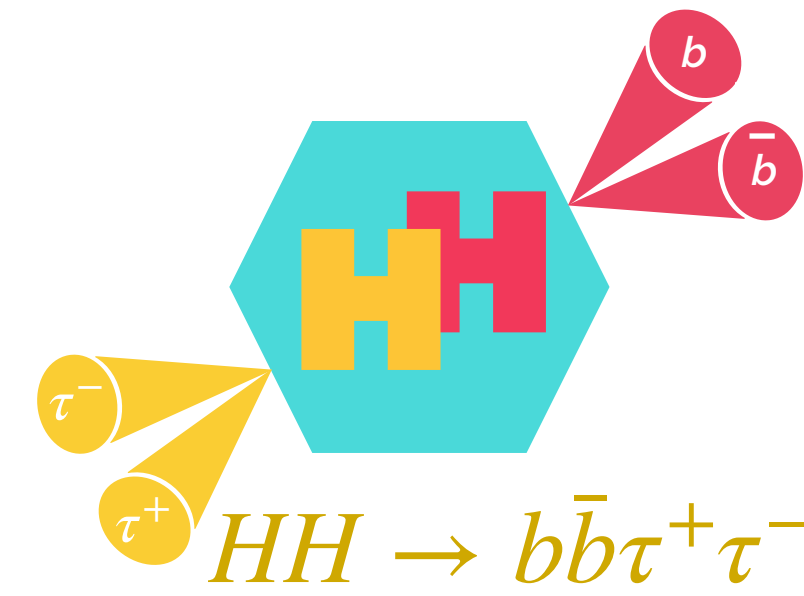
Results

Resolved: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

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Boosted: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

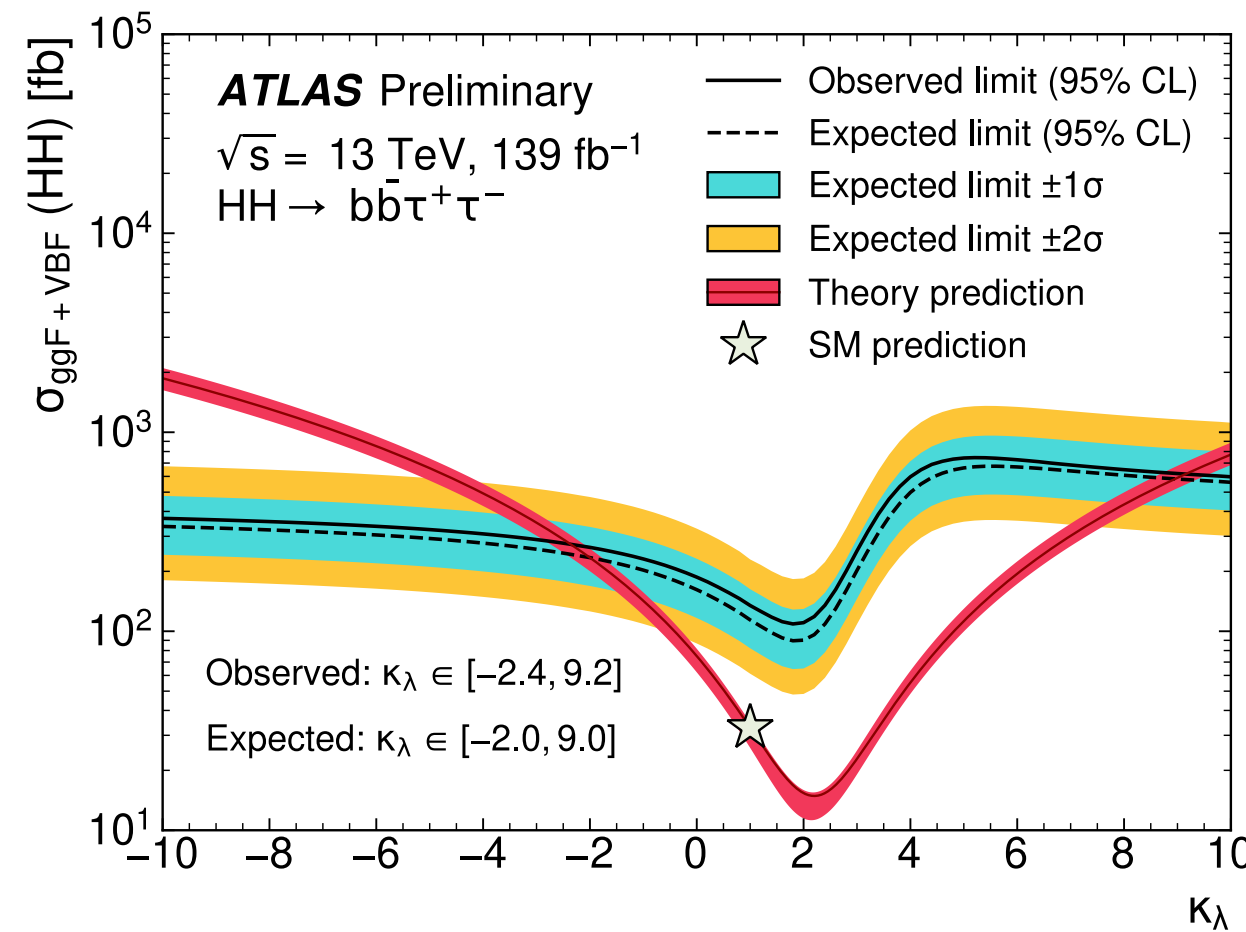
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Resolved:

Non-resonant

No significant excess found



$$\sigma_{HH}^{ggF+VBF}$$

observed (expected) limit is 4.7 (3.9) times the SM prediction.

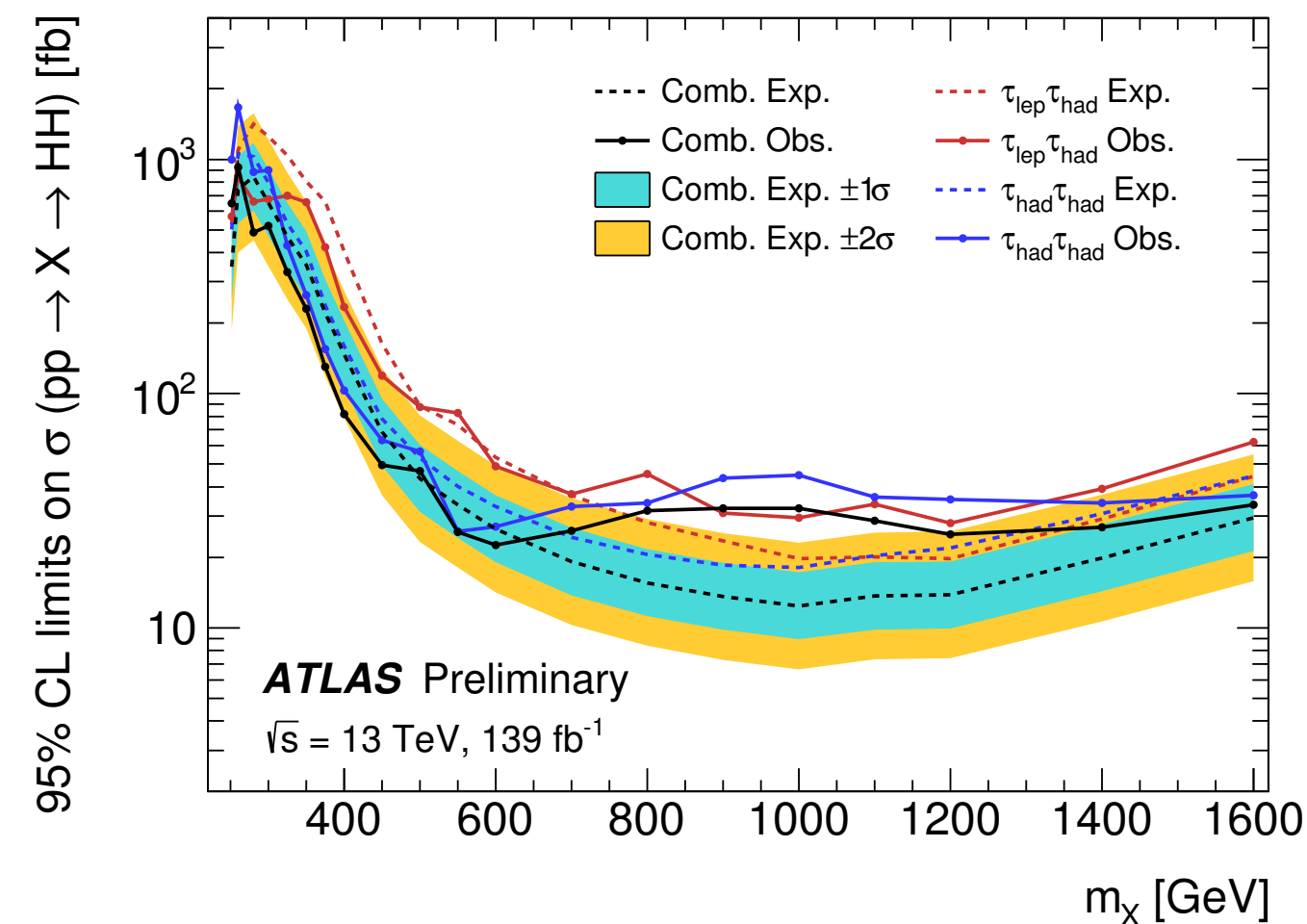
Limits are set on κ_λ :

$$-2.4 < \kappa_\lambda < 9.2 \text{ observed}$$

$$-2.0 < \kappa_\lambda < 9.0 \text{ expected.}$$

Resonant

Highest deviation from the SM prediction seen at 1 TeV with a local (global) significance of 3.0σ (2.0σ).

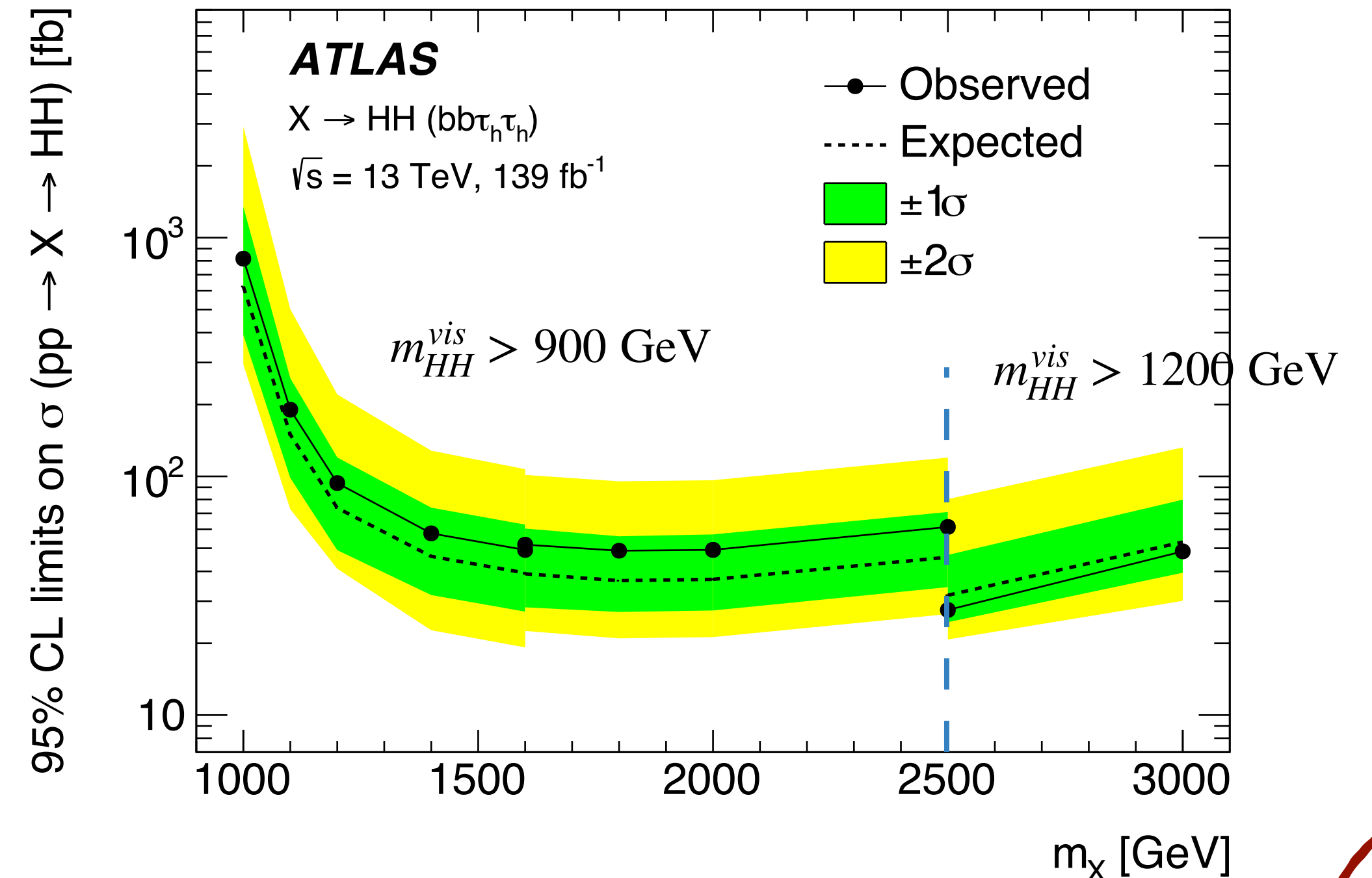


Boosted:

No significant excess found

Limits set on $\sigma(X \rightarrow HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau)$ where X is a narrow-width scalar resonance:

► Two regimes based on the cut on m_{HH}^{vis}



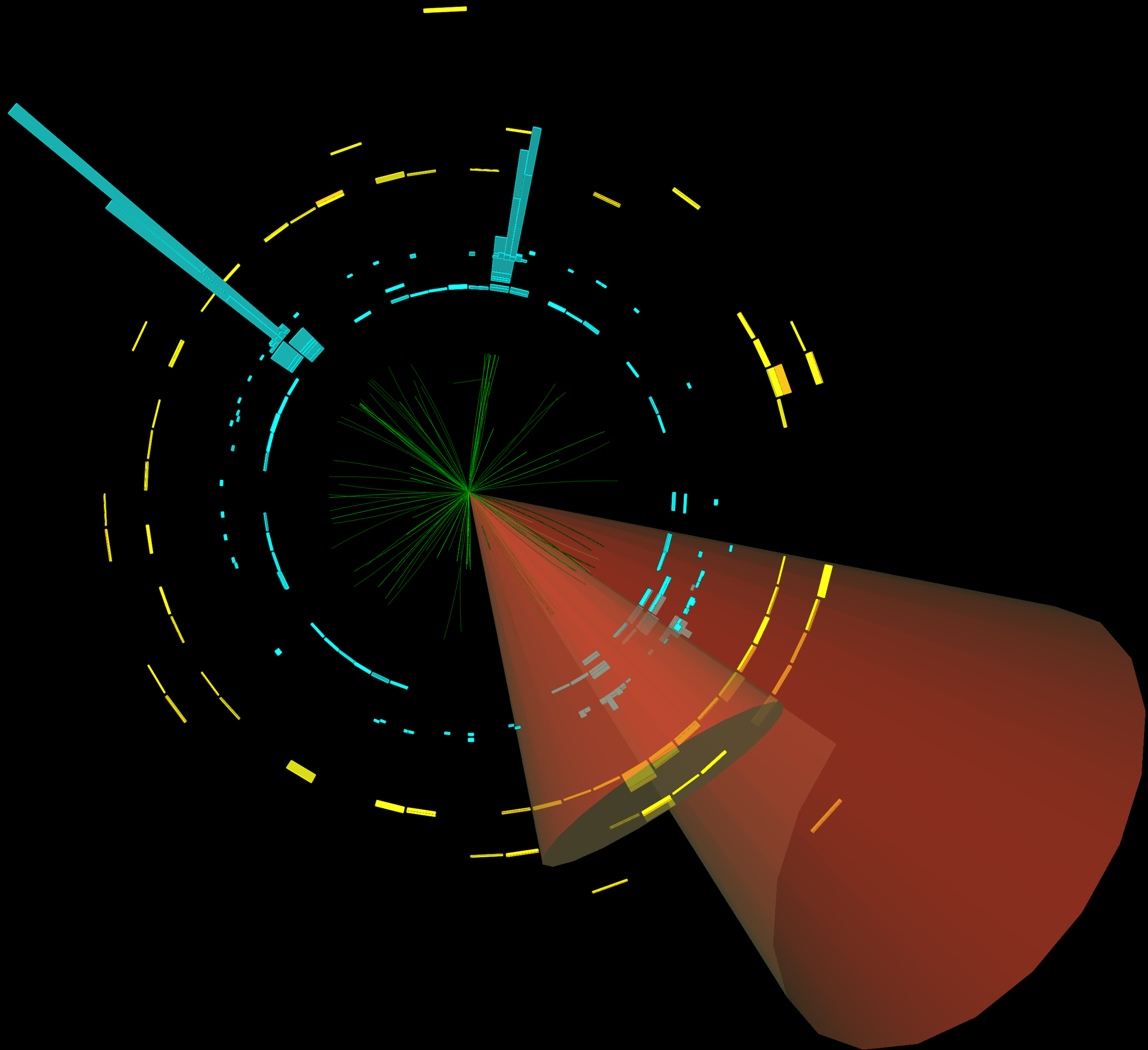


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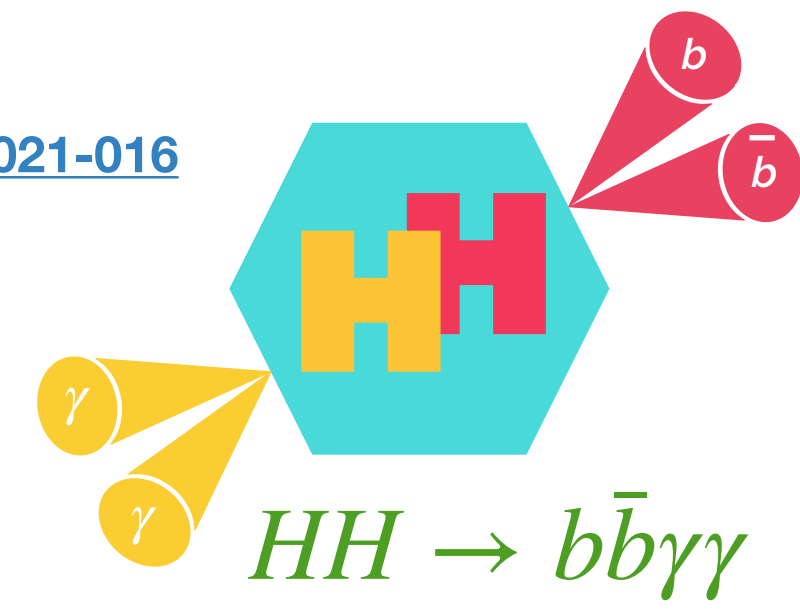
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$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$



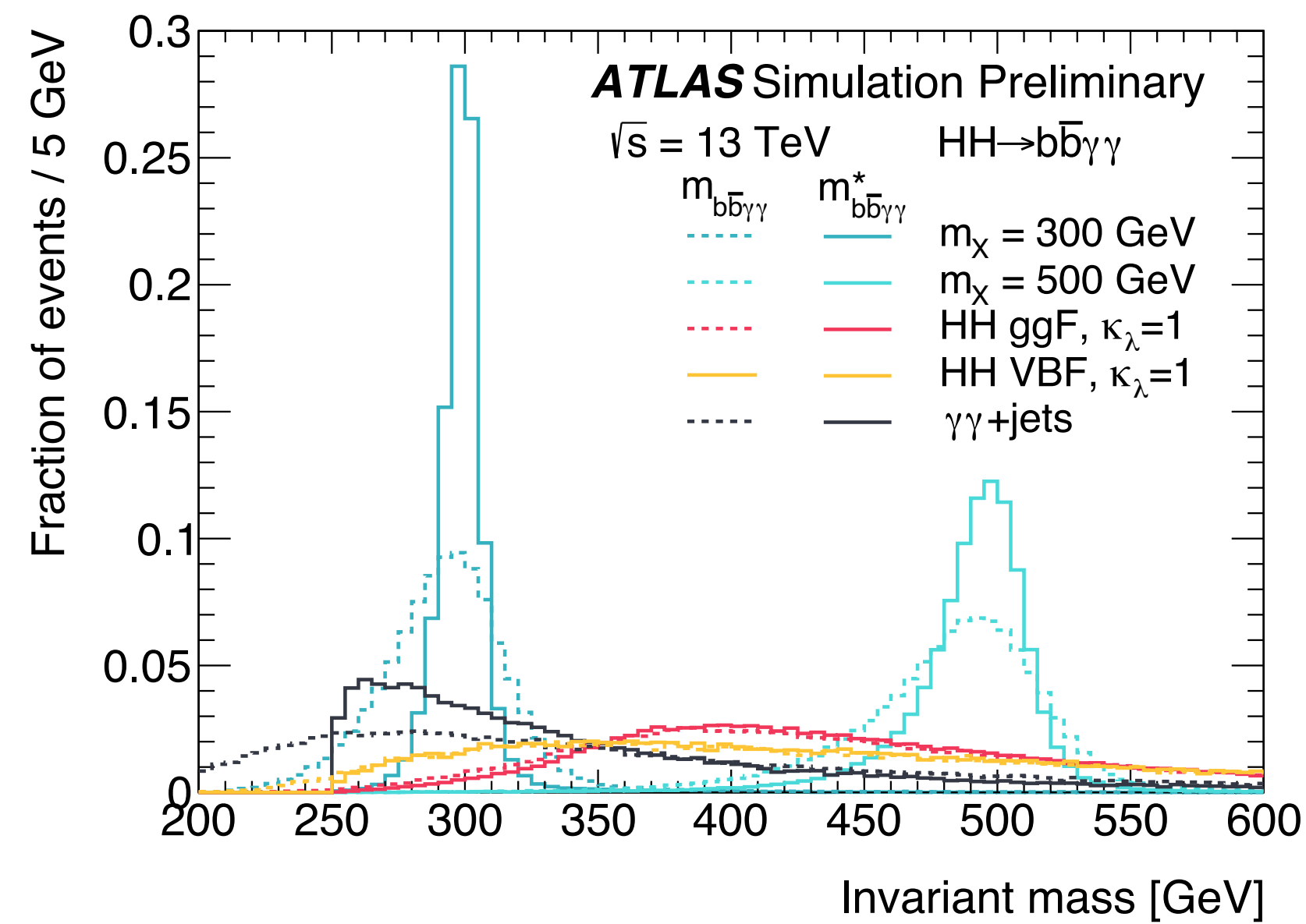
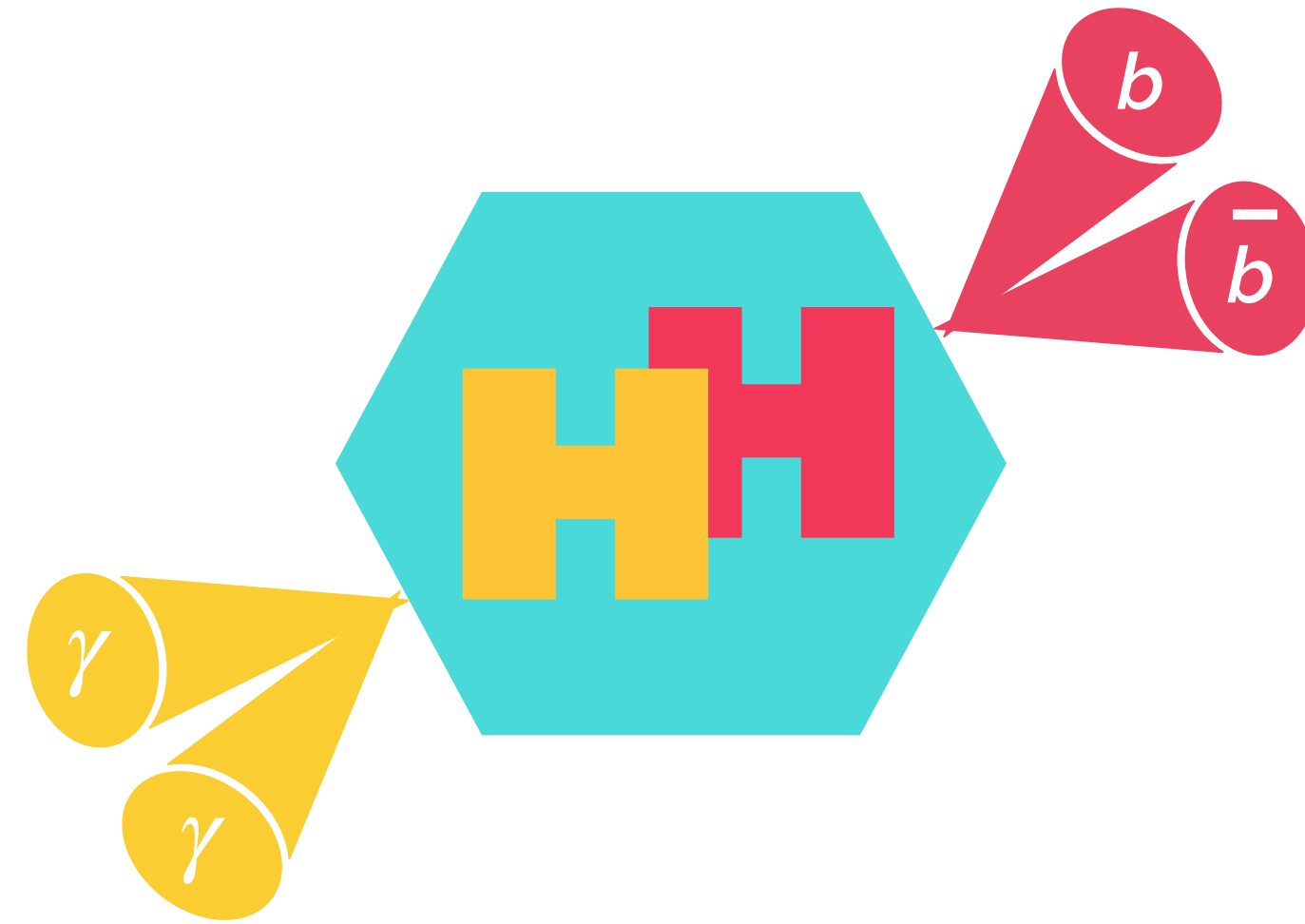
Strategy

ggF: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$ [ATLAS-CONF-2021-016](#)



- ▶ Exactly 2 b-jets;
- ▶ < 6 central jets.

- ▶ Exactly 2 High quality photons;
- ▶ No lepton.

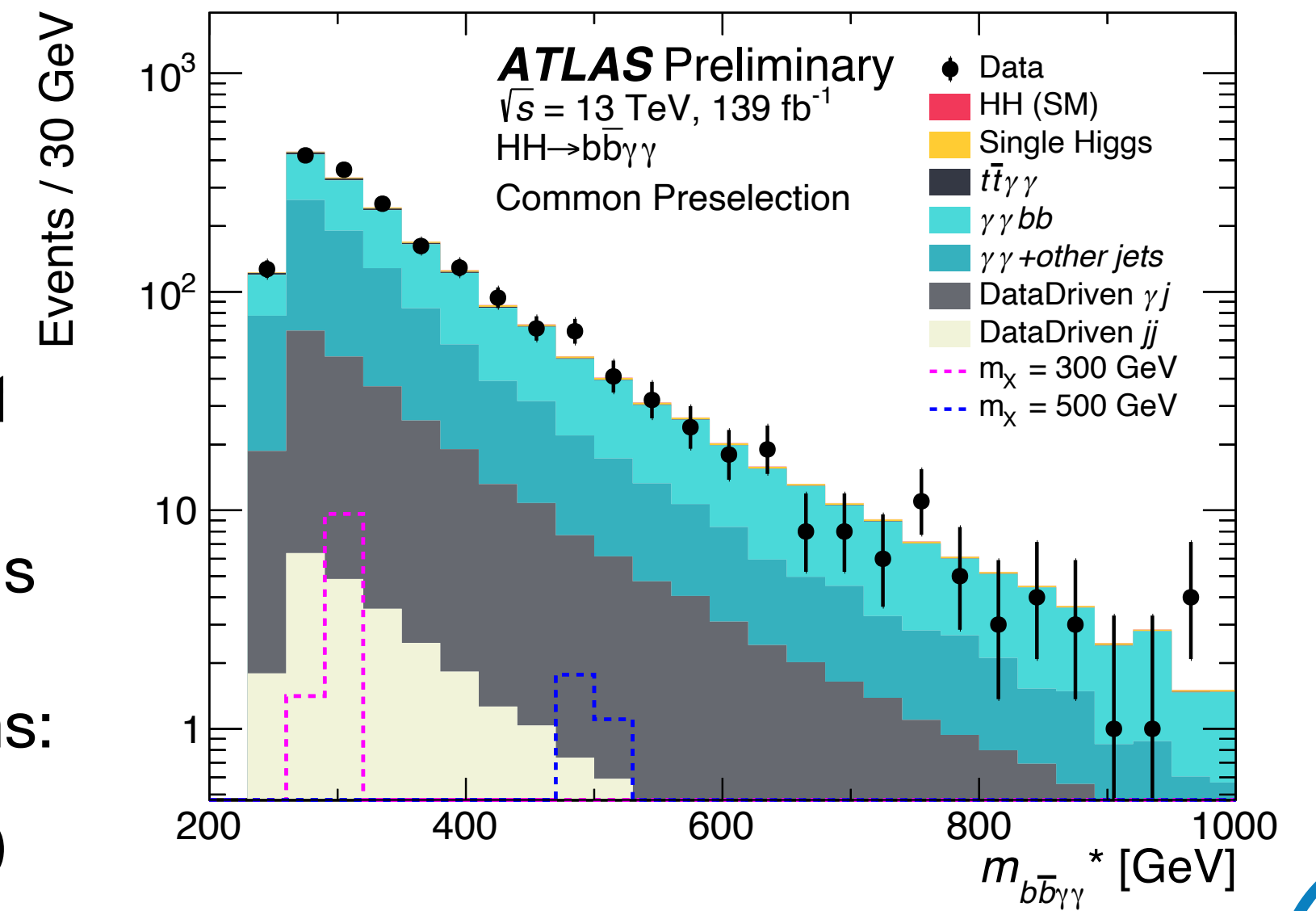


While the $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ variable is now used for the fit, the HH invariant mass $m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma}$ is still useful for both the:

- ▶ **Non-resonant** search (sensitive to κ_λ);
- ▶ **Resonant** searches (sensitive to mass of resonance).

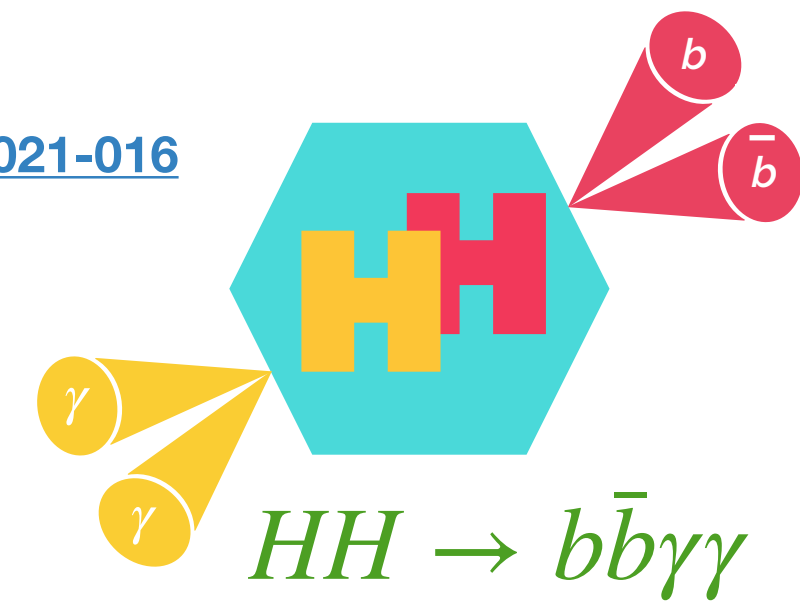
Due to experimental resolution effects, this can be corrected, assuming the two sub-systems are originating from Higgs bosons:

$$m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma}^* [\text{GeV}] = m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma} - m_{b\bar{b}} - m_{\gamma\gamma} + 250$$



How to look for signal?

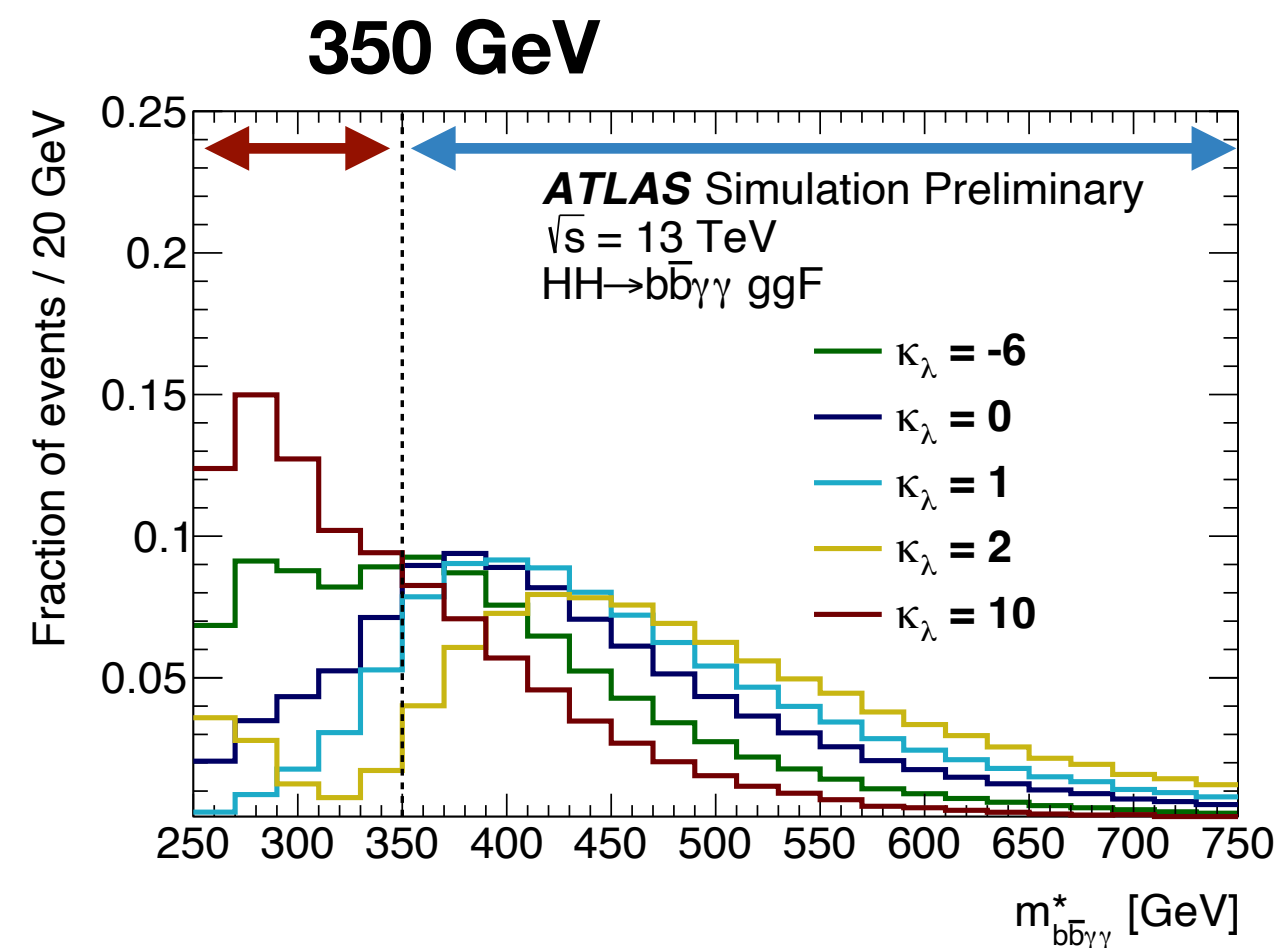
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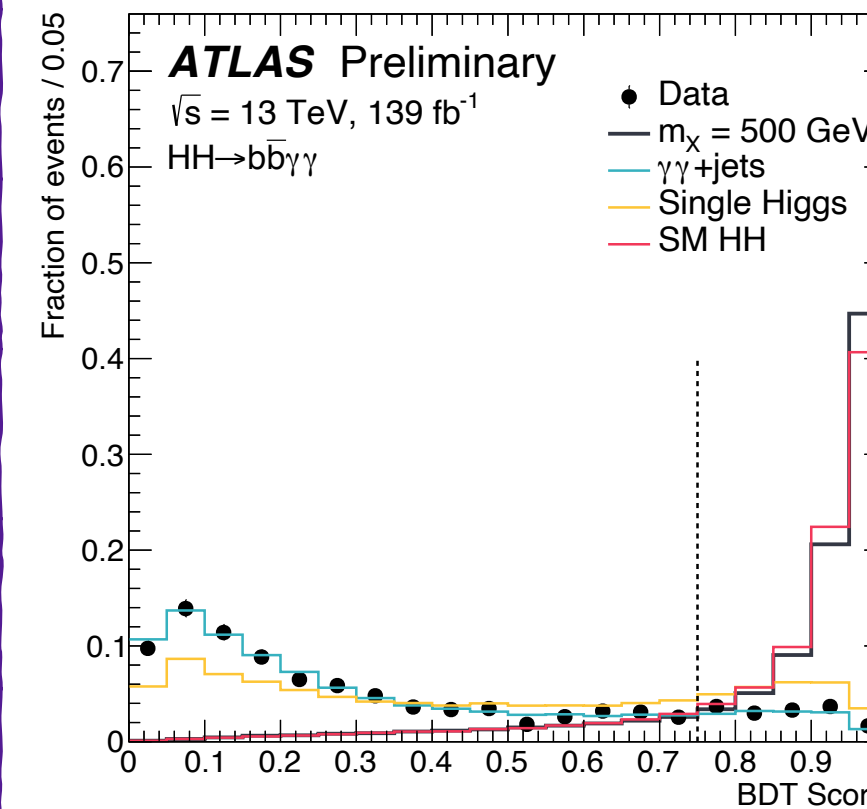
Non Resonant :

A *BDT* is used to select signal like events w.r.t di-photon + single Higgs. *Categories* are created from $m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma}^*$:

- ▶ **Low mass**, focussed on **BSM**
 - ▶ $\kappa_\lambda = 10$ ggF HH used as signal;
- ▶ **High mass**, focussed on **SM**
 - ▶ $\kappa_\lambda = 1$ ggF HH used as signal.



Resonant:

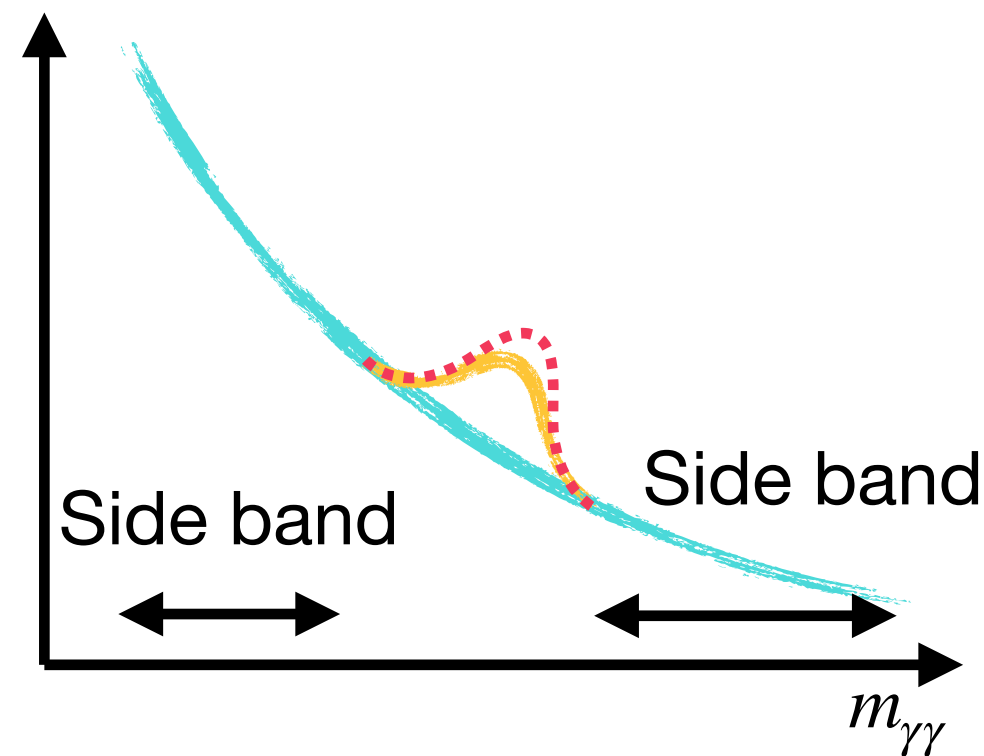


- 1 2 *BDTs* are trained and combined to separate resonant signals from di-photon and single Higgs:
 - ▶ **Mass dependent cut on BDT score**
 - ▶ 22 mass categories created.
- 2 A $m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma}^*$ window cut is made around the m_X hypothesis.

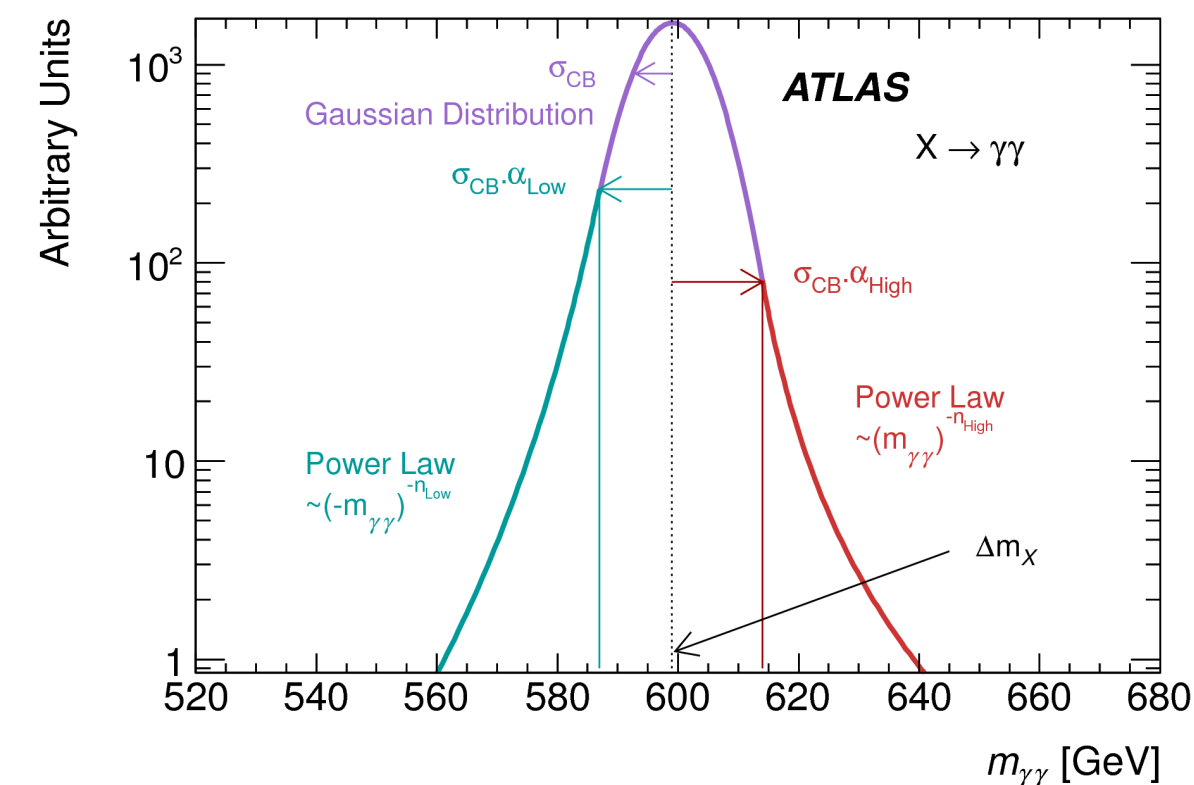
The background and signal processes are modelled thanks to **functional forms** used in the final fit:

Diphoton Background

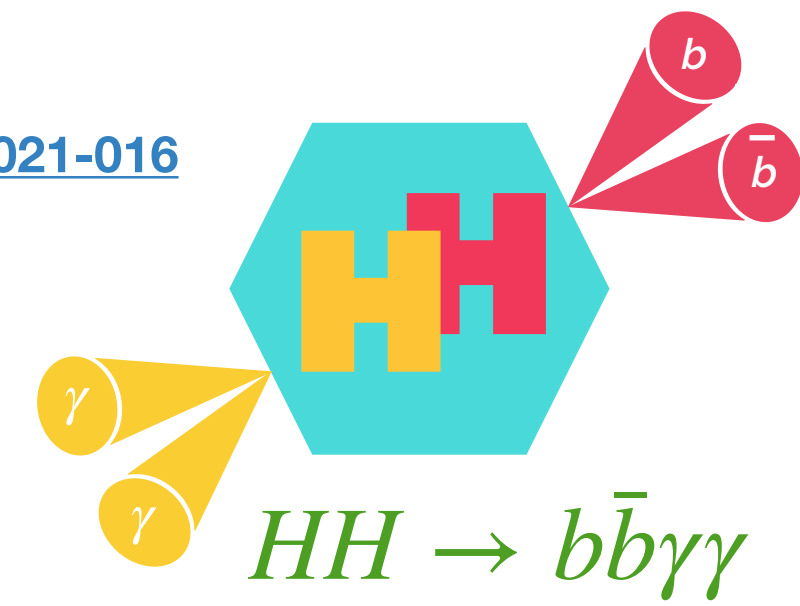
- ▶ Several **monotonic functions** fitted to background template normalised to data sideband are tested;
- ▶ **Minimisation** of the **signal biases**.
- ▶ Final choice: **exponential**.



Single Higgs HH signal



- ▶ Single Higgs and HH processes can be modelled with **double-sided Crystal Ball** function.



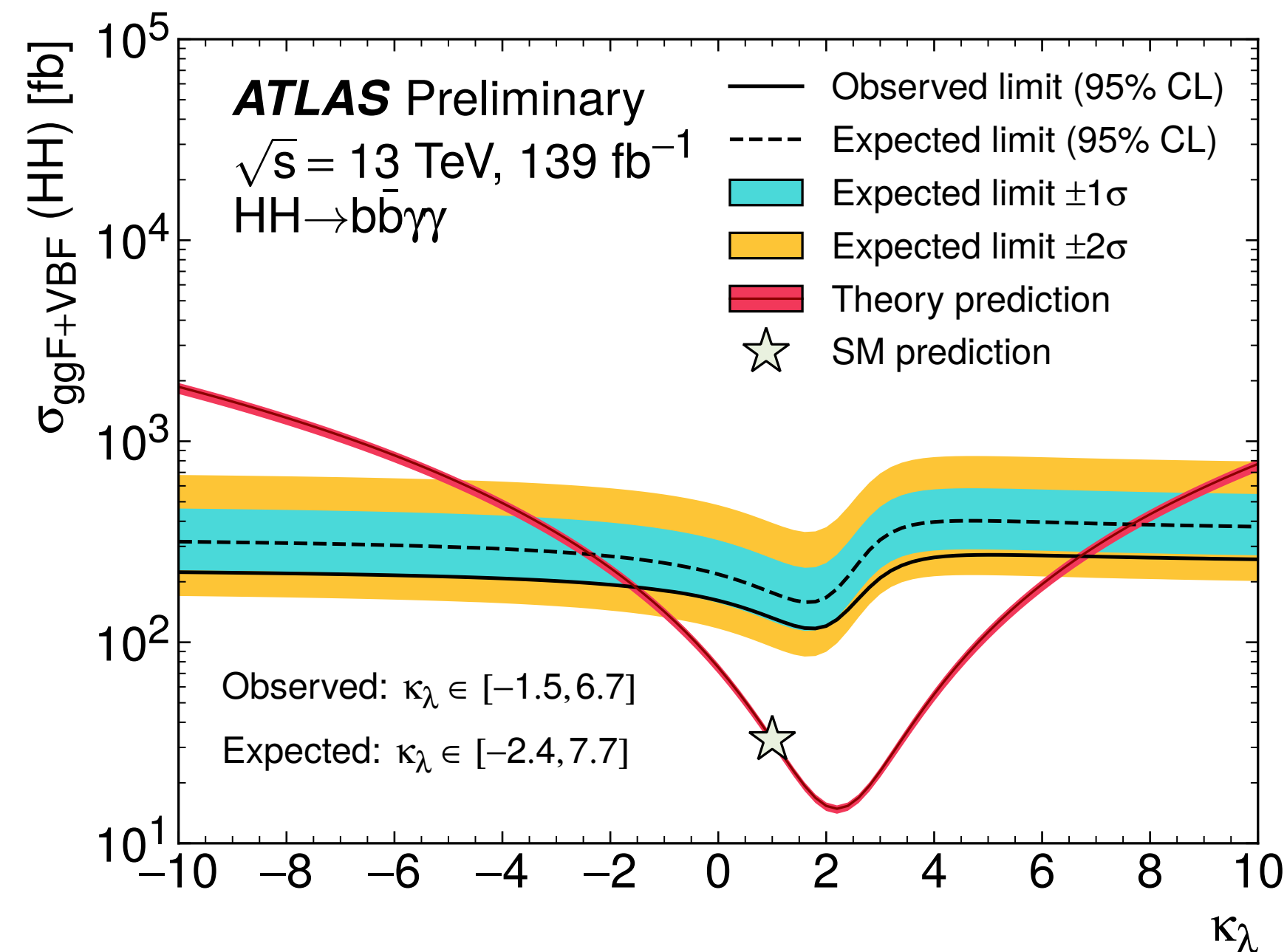
Non Resonant

No significant excess found

$$\sigma_{HH}^{ggF+VBF}$$

observed (expected) limit is
4.1 (5.5) times the SM prediction.

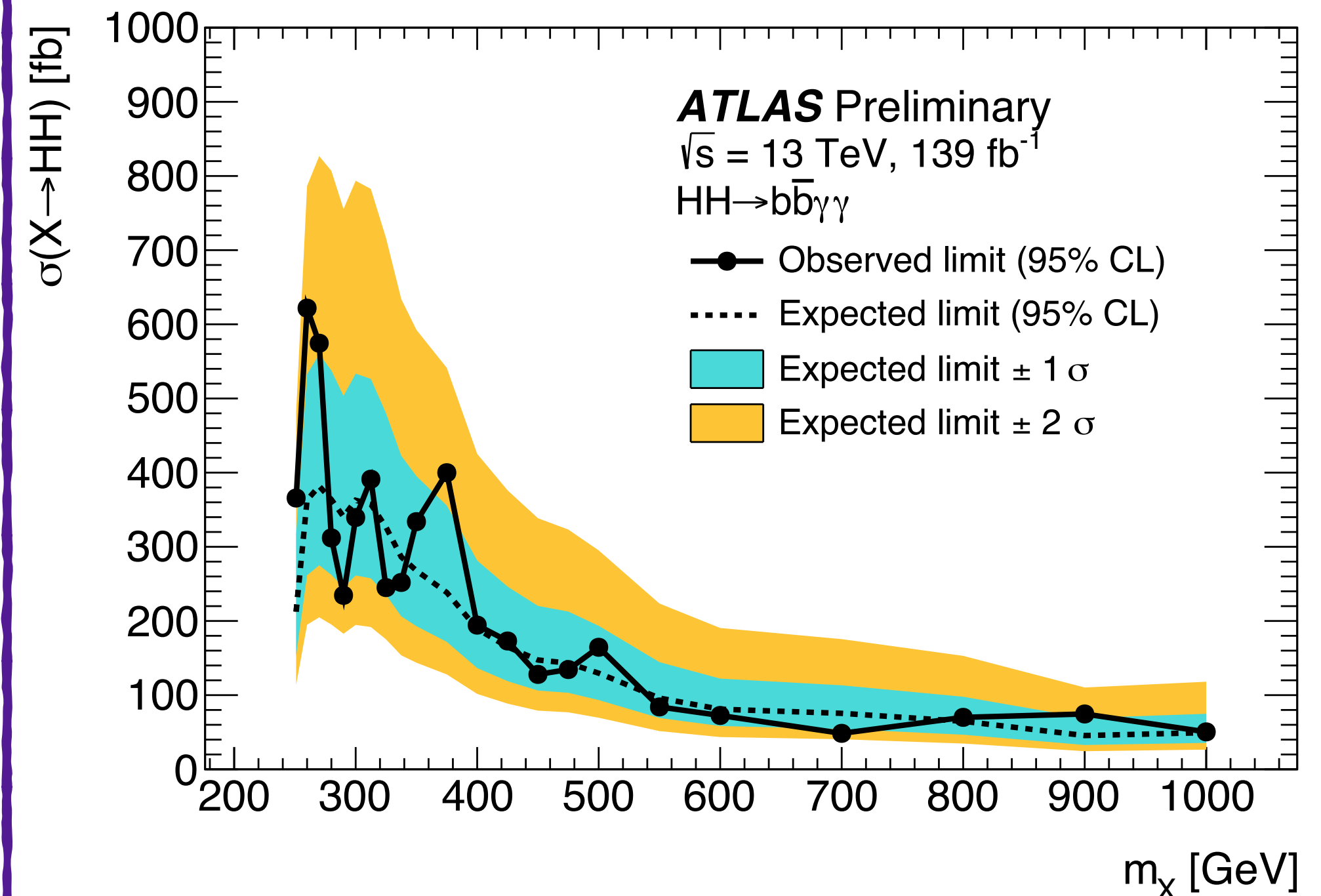
- ▶ *Best result* from single channel *observed to date*;
- ▶ Statistically dominated.
- ▶ Limits are set on κ_λ : $-1.5 < \kappa_\lambda < 6.7$ observed
 $-2.4 < \kappa_\lambda < 7.7$ expected.

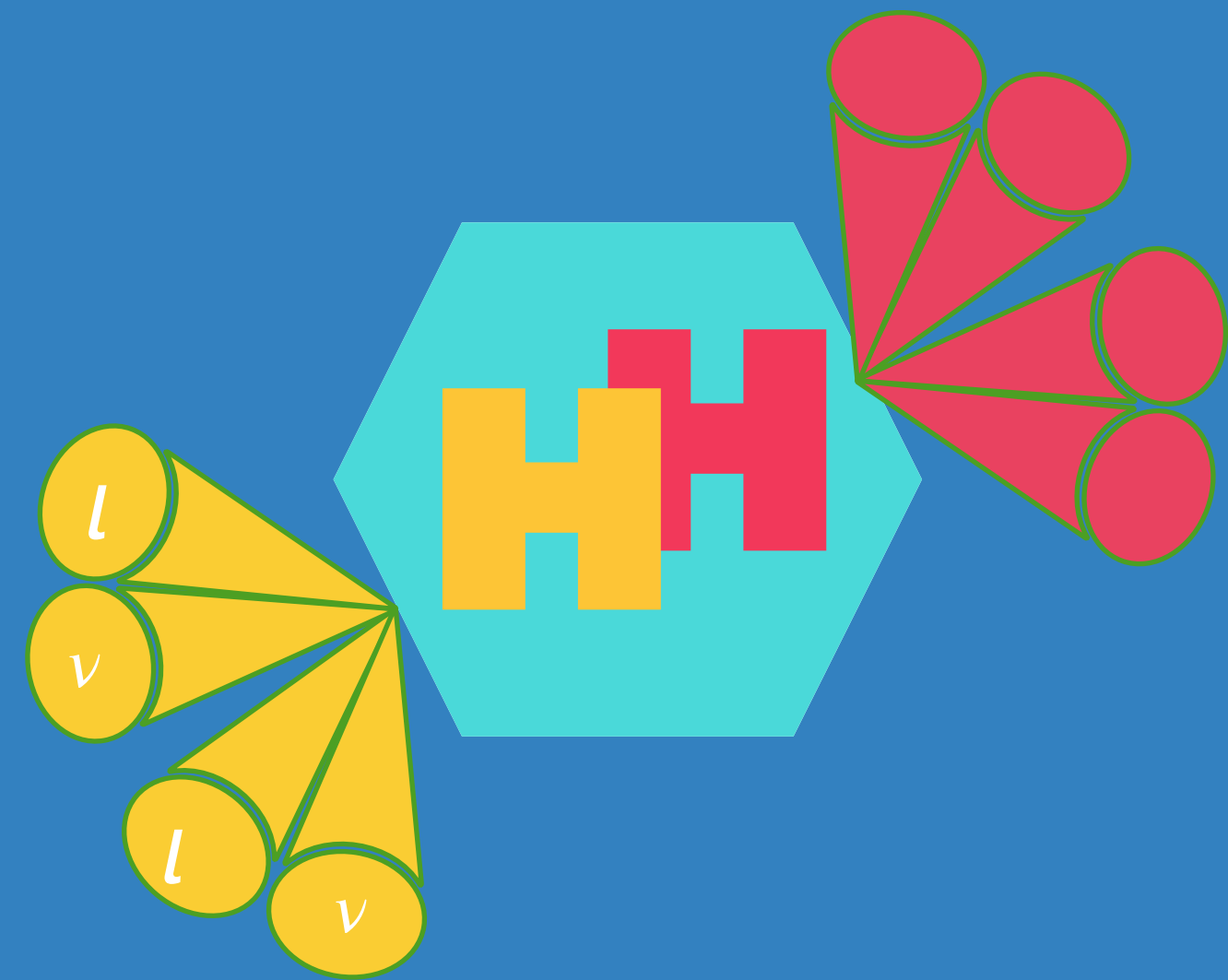
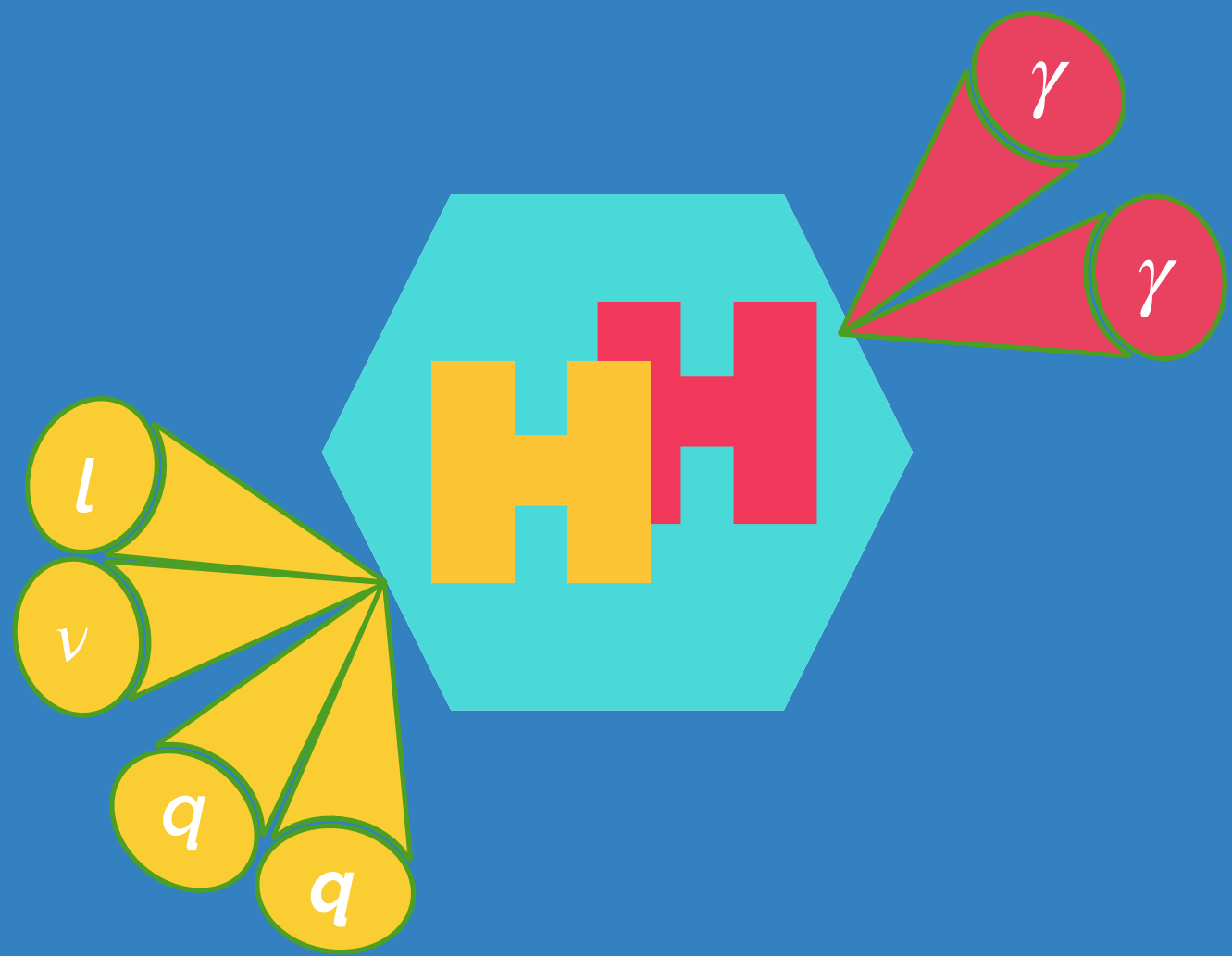
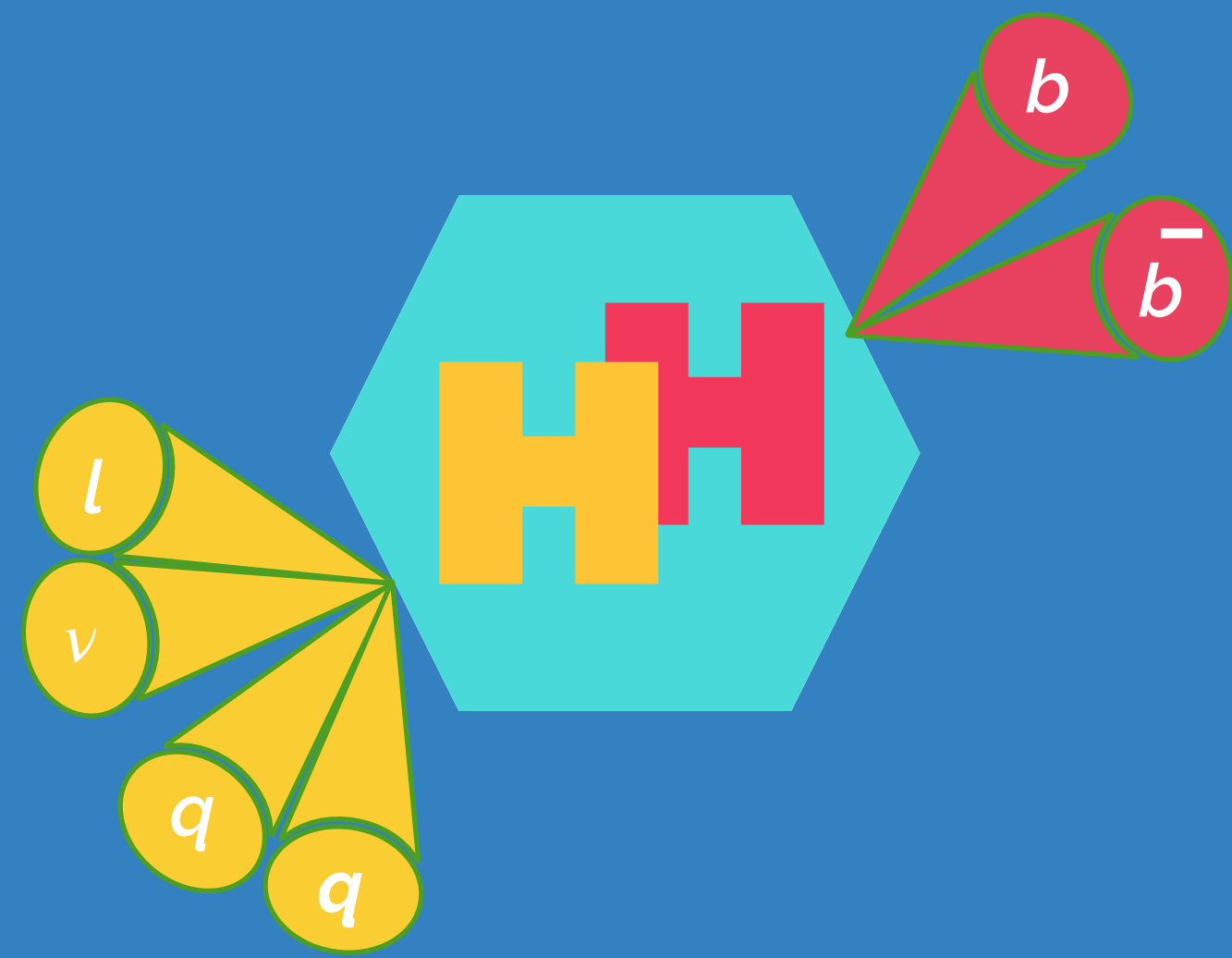
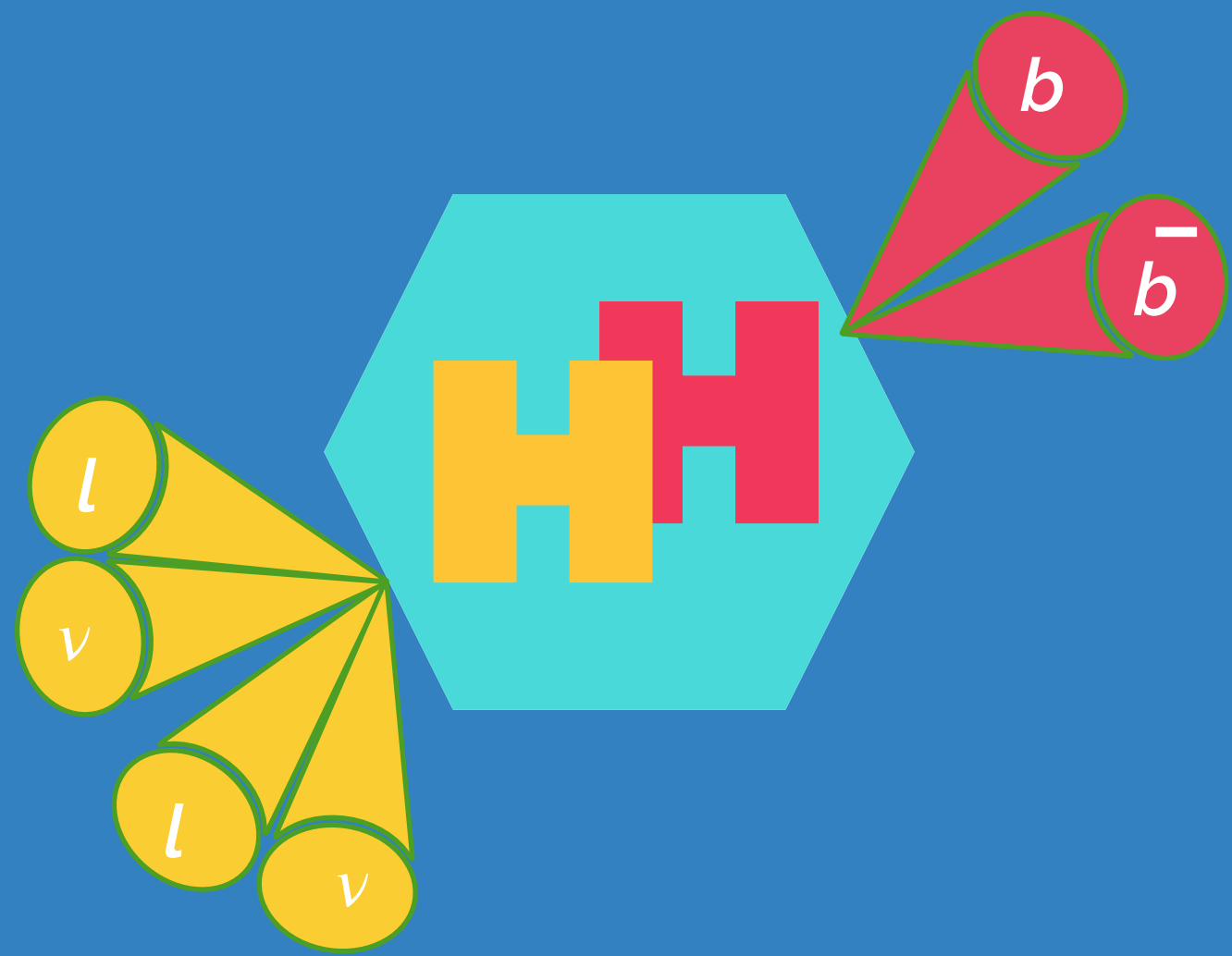


Resonant:

No significant excess found

Limits set on $\sigma(X \rightarrow HH)$ where X is a narrow-width scalar resonance:

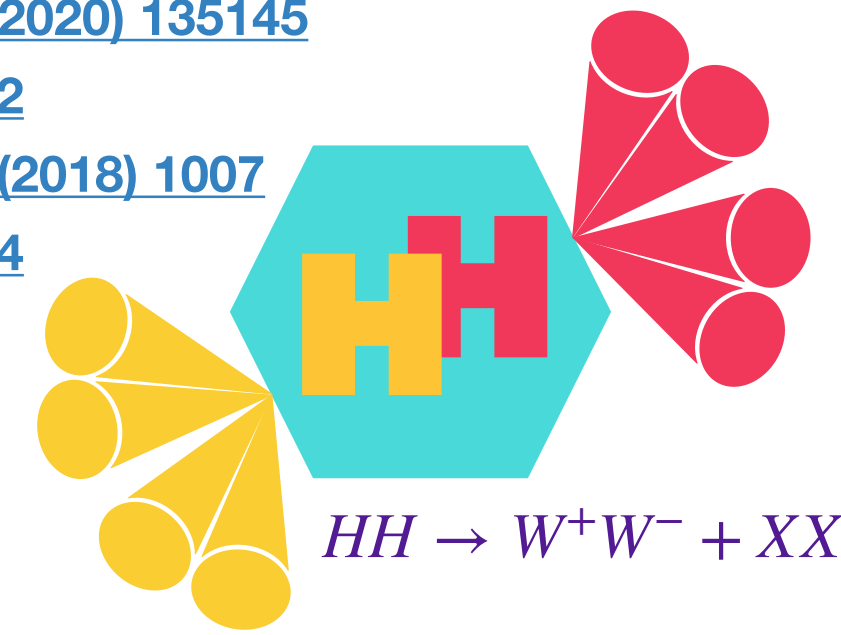




Selection

$b\bar{b}l\nu l\nu$ final state : $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$
 $b\bar{b}l\nu q\bar{q}$ final state : $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$
 $\gamma\gamma WW^*$ final state : $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$
 $WW^* WW^*$ final state : $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$

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$b\bar{b}l\nu q\bar{q}$ final state

This channel is aiming at reducing the contamination of $t\bar{t}$ events by requesting one W boson to decay leptonically:

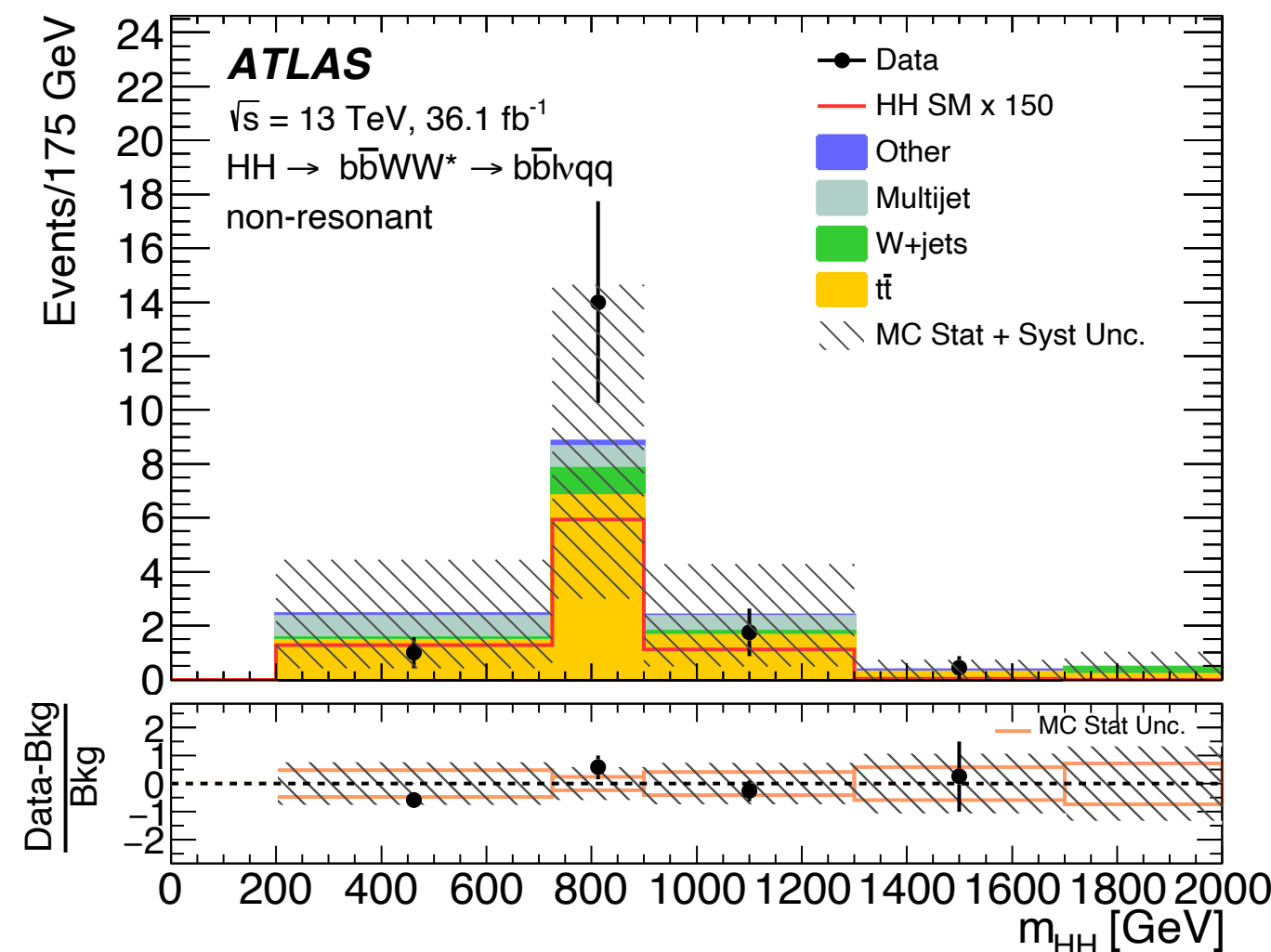
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$:

- ▶ **Resolved**: exactly 2 b-tagged
- ▶ **Boosted**: One large R jet with 2 VR b-tagged jets

$H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l\nu q\bar{q}$:

- ▶ **Resolved/Boosted**:
 - ▶ ≥ 1 high quality lepton.
 - ▶ ≥ 2 additional jets, pair chosen with minimising $\Delta R(\text{jet}, \text{jet})$
 - ▶ Kinematic fit to find the neutrino momentum assuming $m_H = 125$ GeV

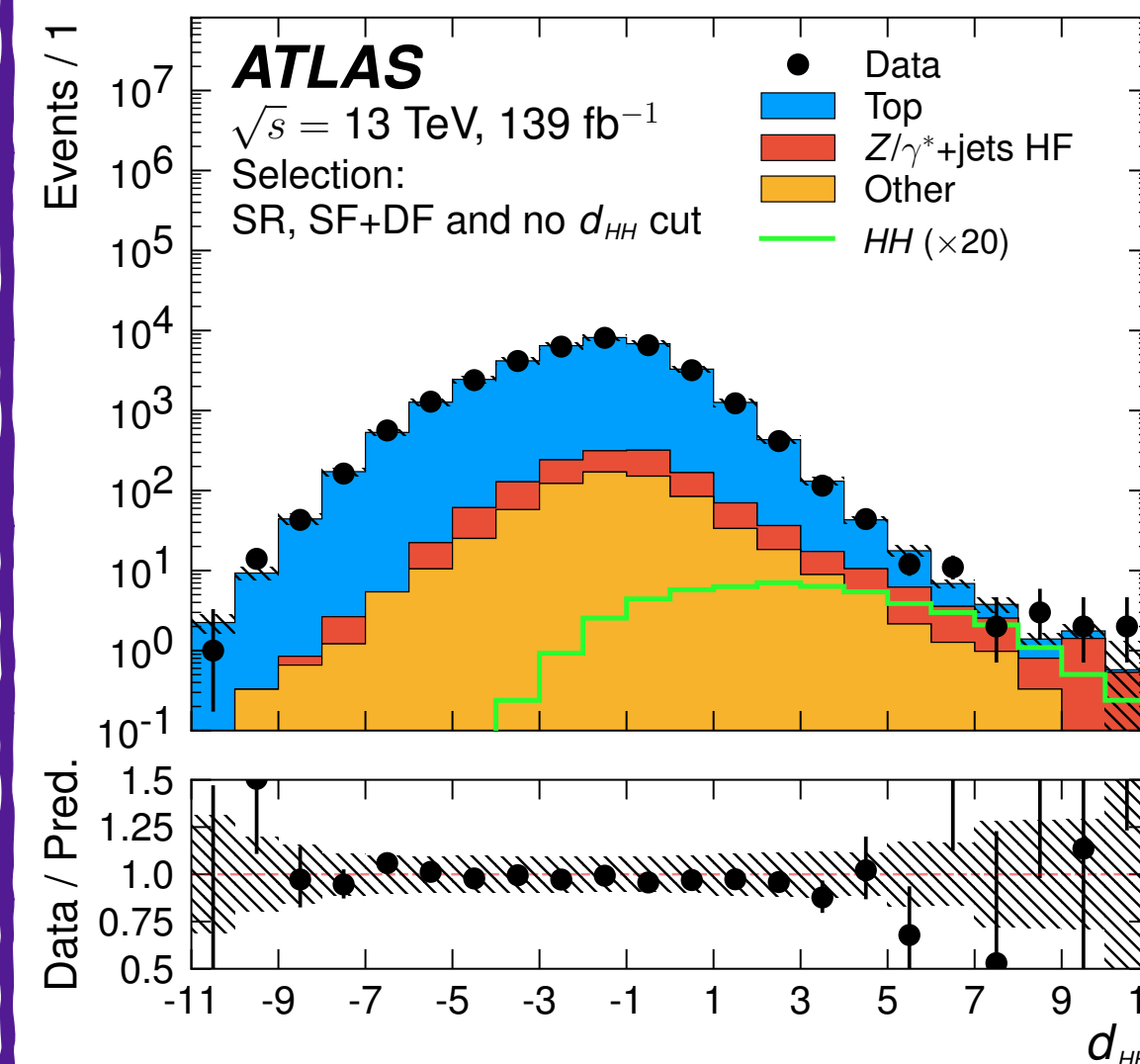
Fit: m_{HH} in different categories



$b\bar{b}l\nu l\nu$ final state

Resolved

This channel is aiming at $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}WW^*$ signal, but is also sensitive to $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}ZZ^*$ and $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau$



$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$:

- ▶ Exactly 2 b-tagged jets

$H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$:

- ▶ Exactly 2 opposite charge high quality leptons.
- ▶ Categories: based on flavour.

▶ **Deep neural Network**:

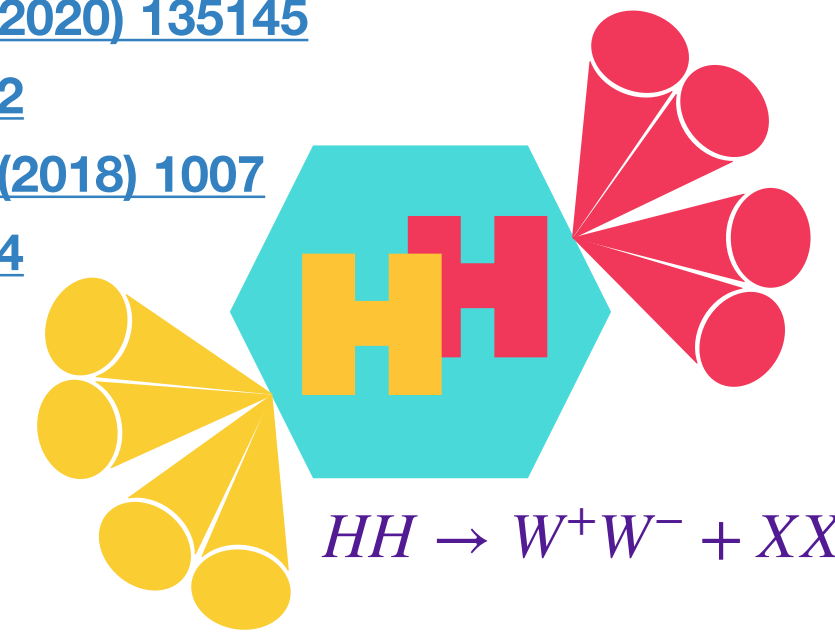
- ▶ To remove dominant backgrounds

Fit: single bin in different categories

Results

$b\bar{b}l\nu l\nu$ final state : $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$
 $b\bar{b}l\nu q\bar{q}$ final state : $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$
 $\gamma\gamma WW^*$ final state : $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$
 WW^*WW^* final state : $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$

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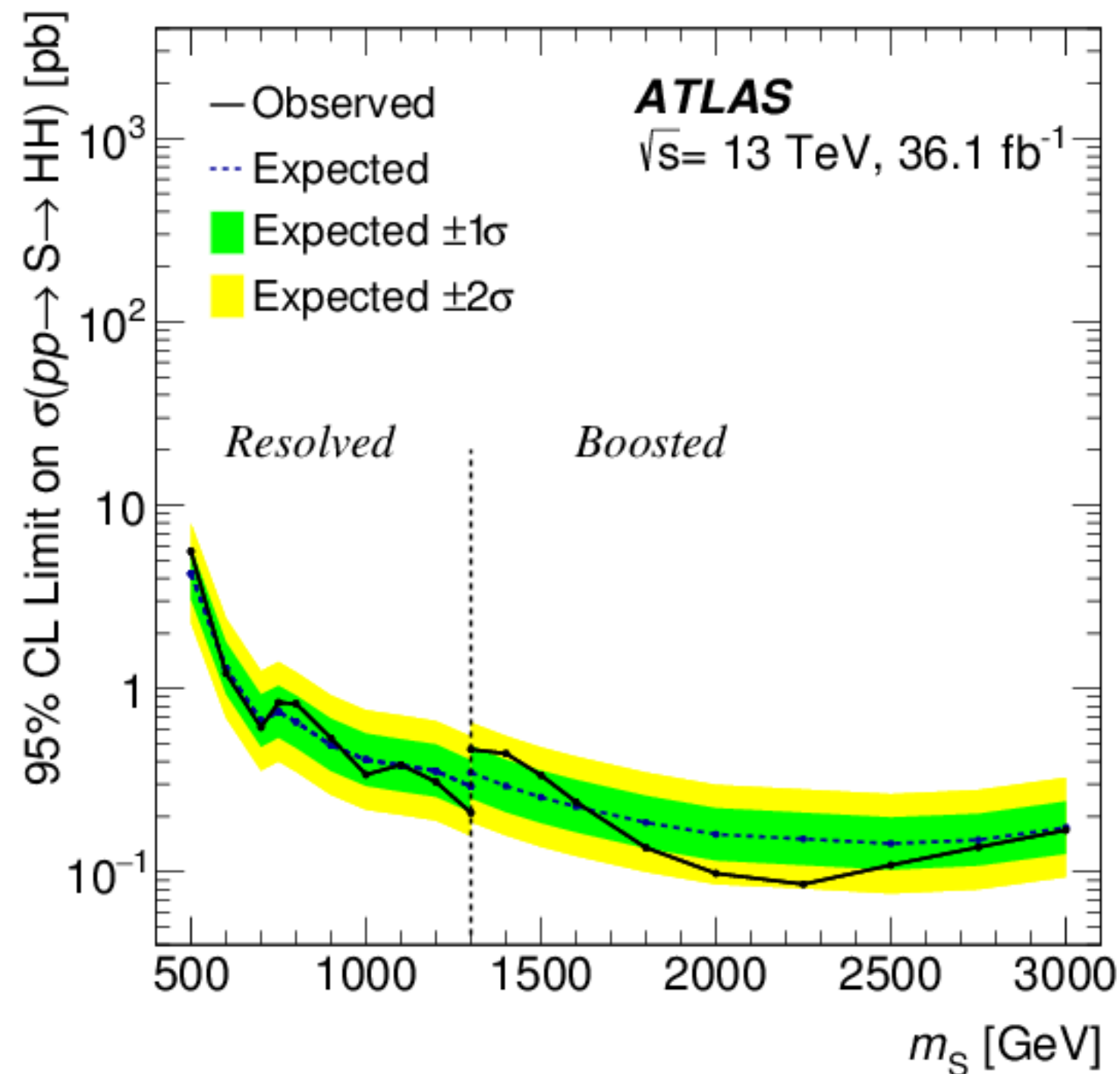


$b\bar{b}l\nu q\bar{q}$ final state

Non-resonant **Resolved**

σ_{HH}^{ggF} **observed (expected) limit is 300 (190) times the SM prediction.**

Resonant: **Resolved Boosted**

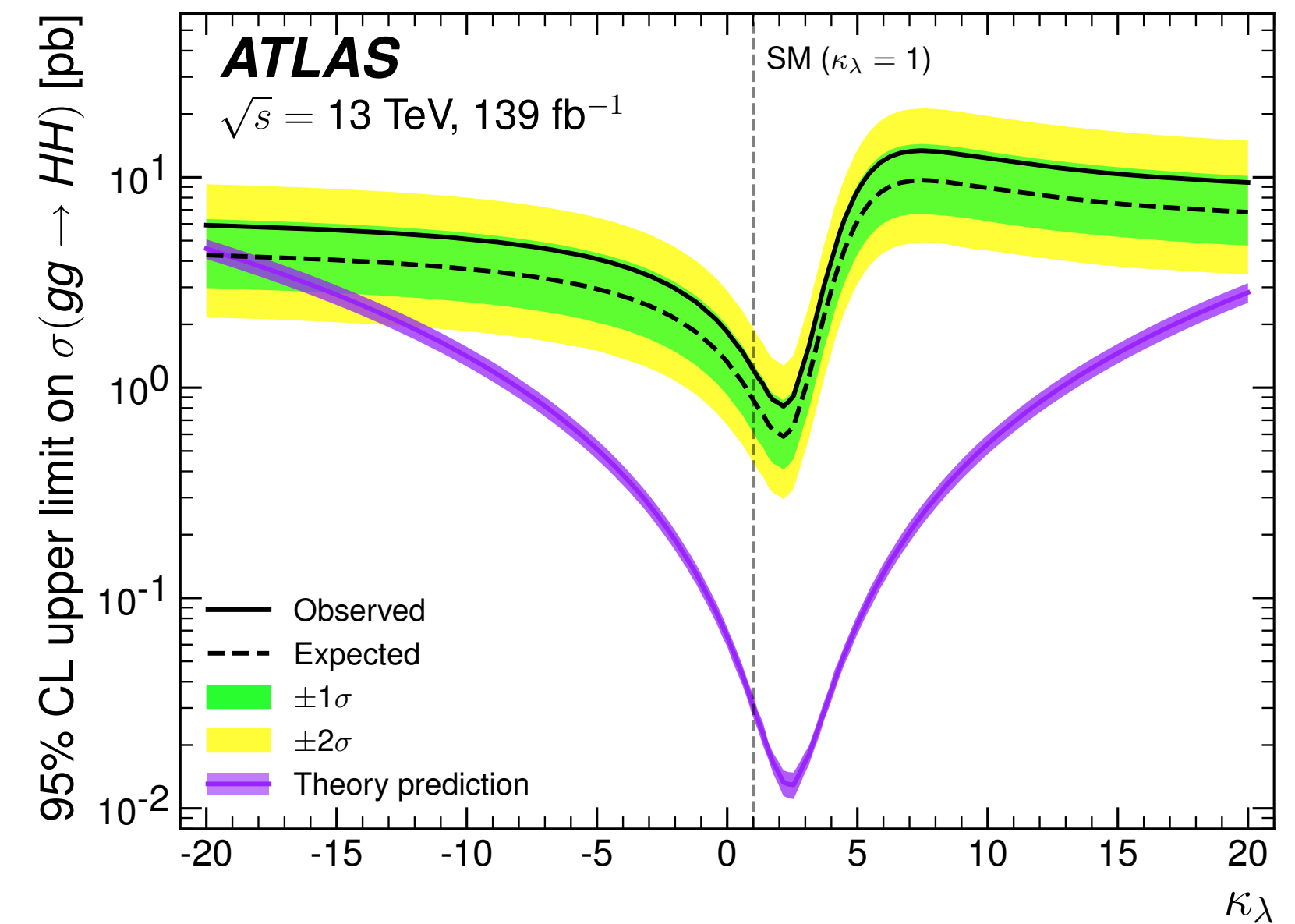


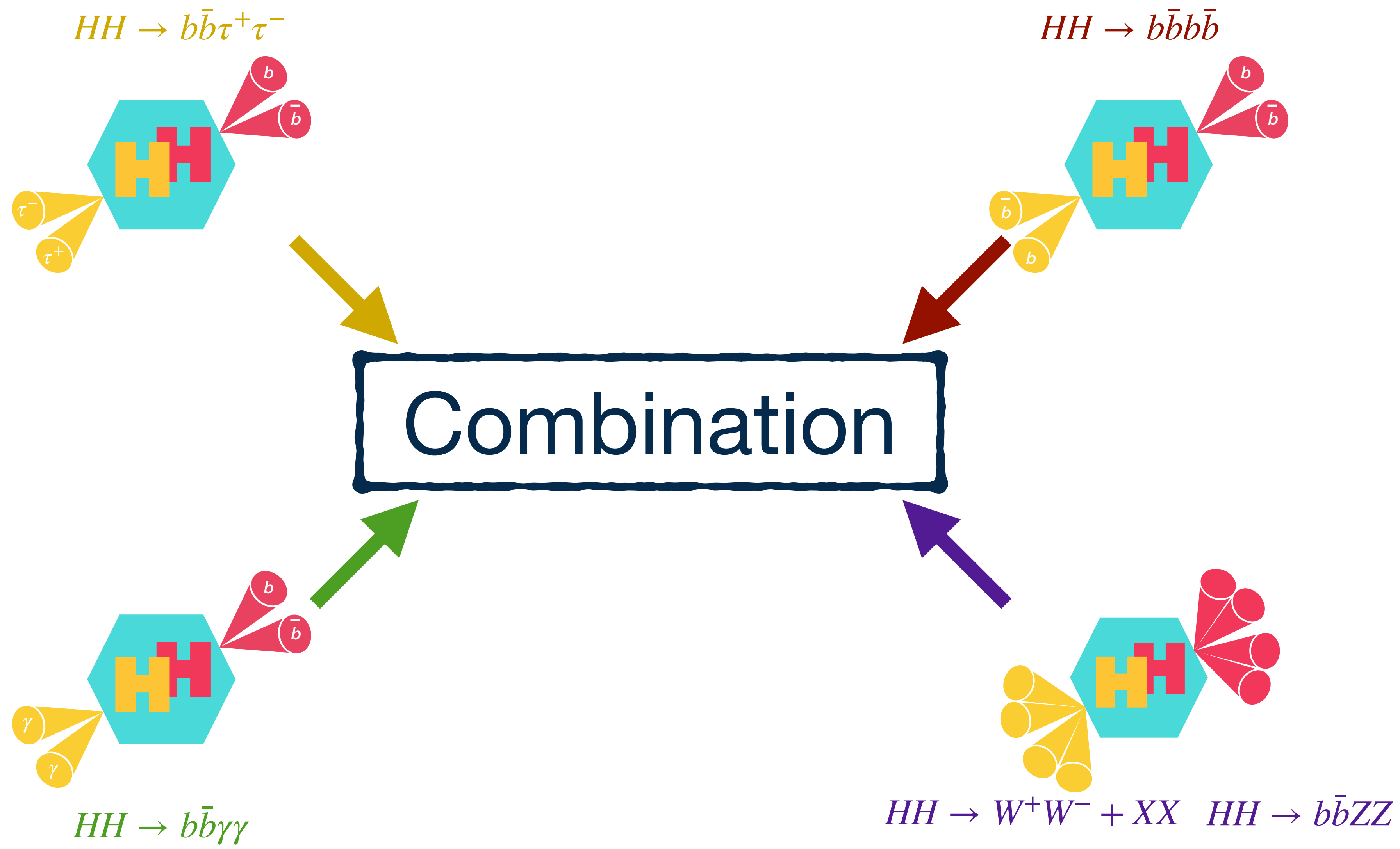
Limits set on $\sigma(X \rightarrow HH)$ where X is a narrow-width scalar resonance

$b\bar{b}l\nu l\nu$ final state **Resolved**

Non-resonant

σ_{HH}^{ggF} **observed (expected) limit is 14 (29) times the SM prediction.**





Conclusion



Combination done with most of the analyses with $\mathcal{L} = 36\text{fb}^{-1}$

Additional results with $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$:

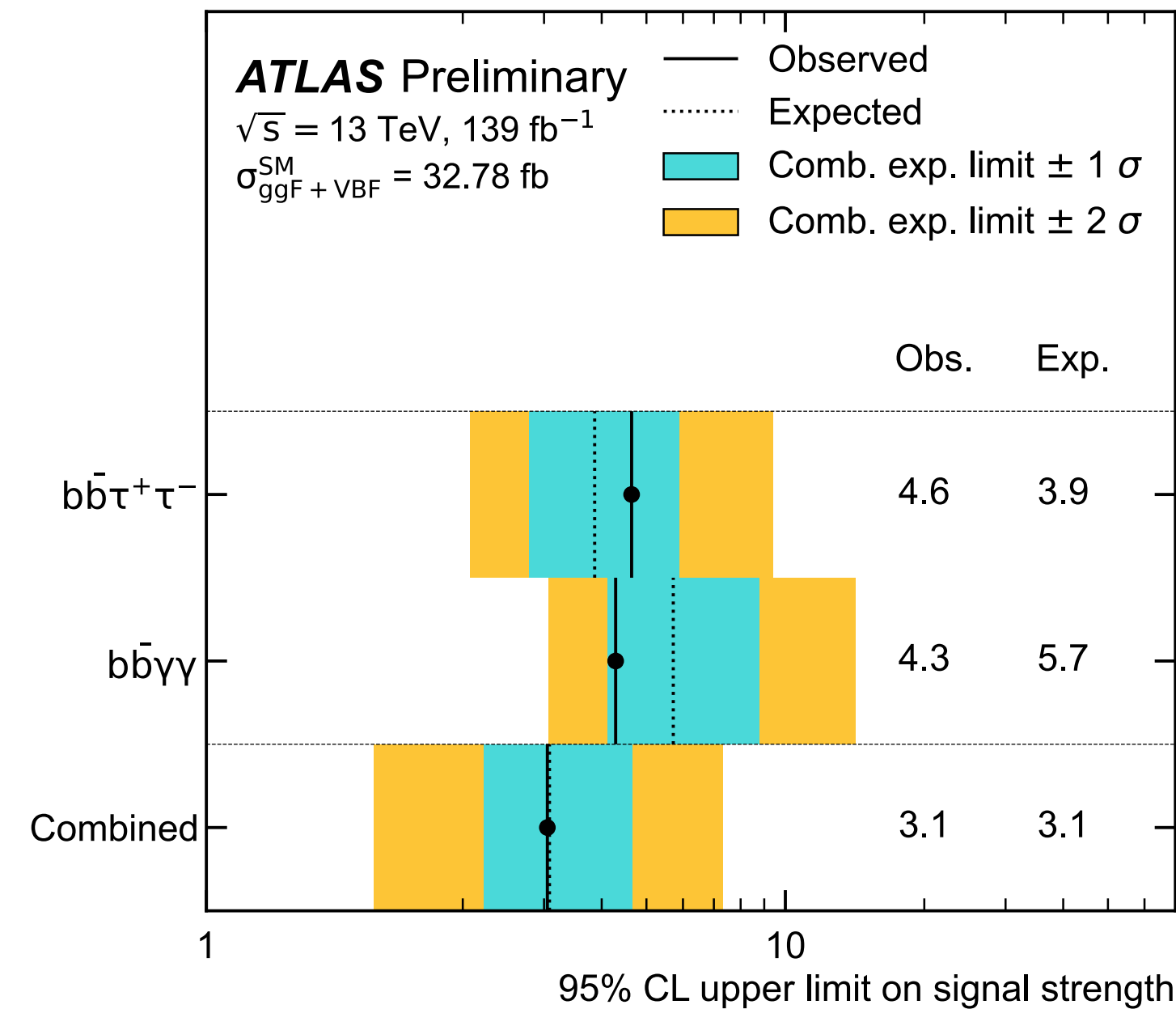
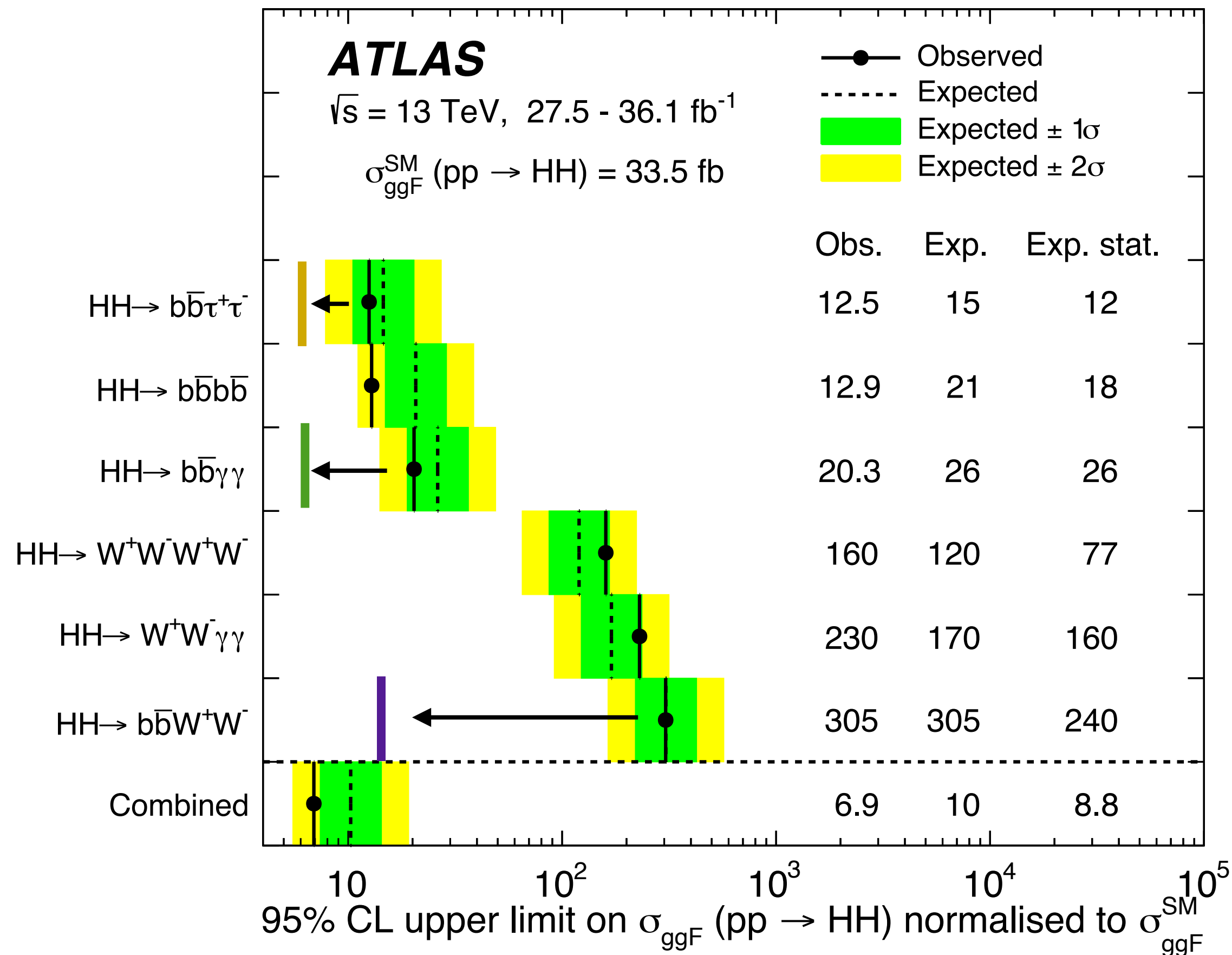
$b\bar{b}l\nu l\nu$ final state:

observed (expected) limit is 14 (29) times the SM prediction.

$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ and $b\bar{b}\tau\tau$ final states:

Brand new combination result:

- Only the main latest two Full Run-2 results included for non resonant ;
- **observed (expected) limit is 2.8 (2.8) times the SM prediction.**



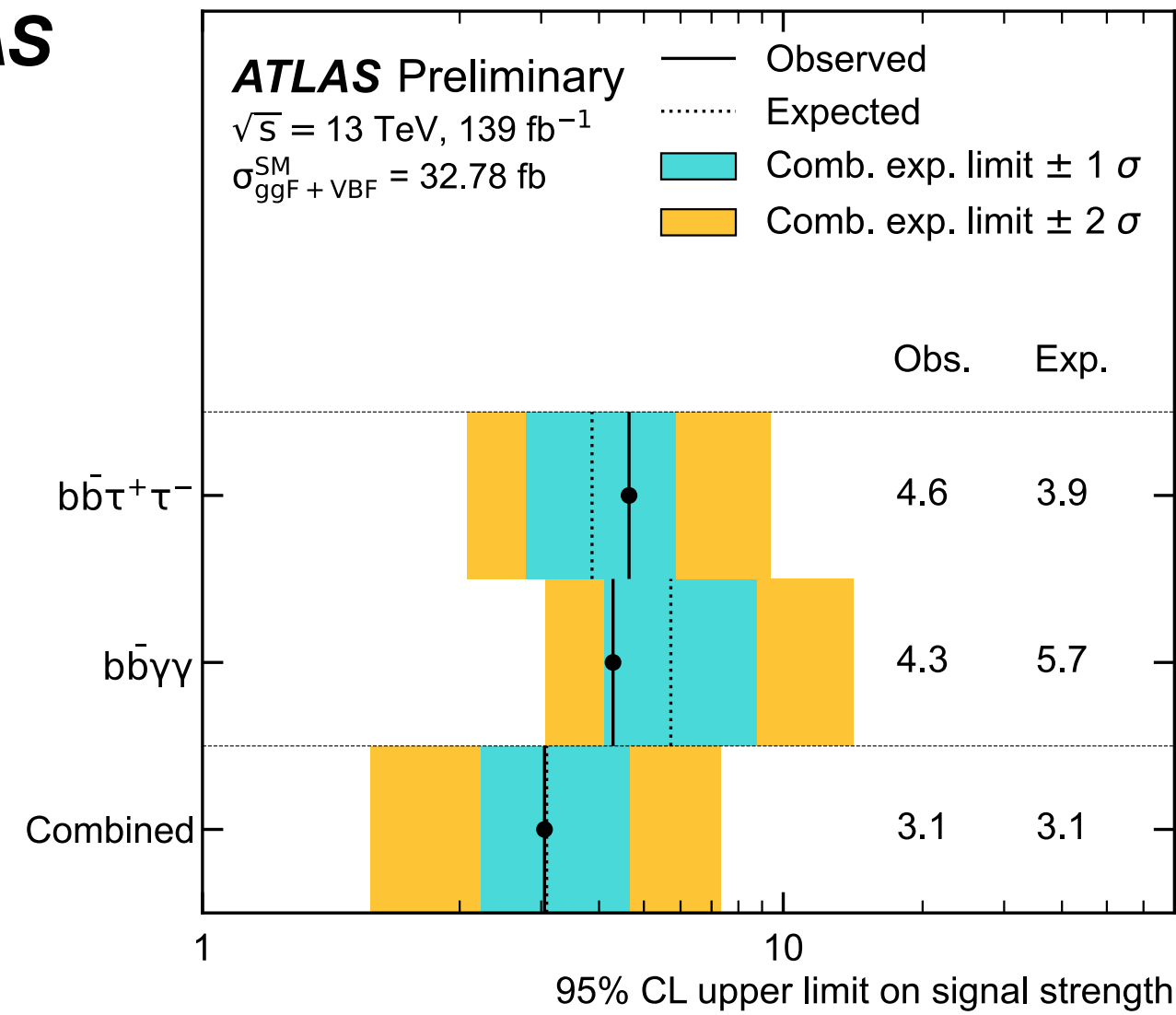
First look at **VBF**: $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$

σ_{HH}^{VBF} **observed (expected) limit is 840 (550) times the SM prediction.**

Conclusion



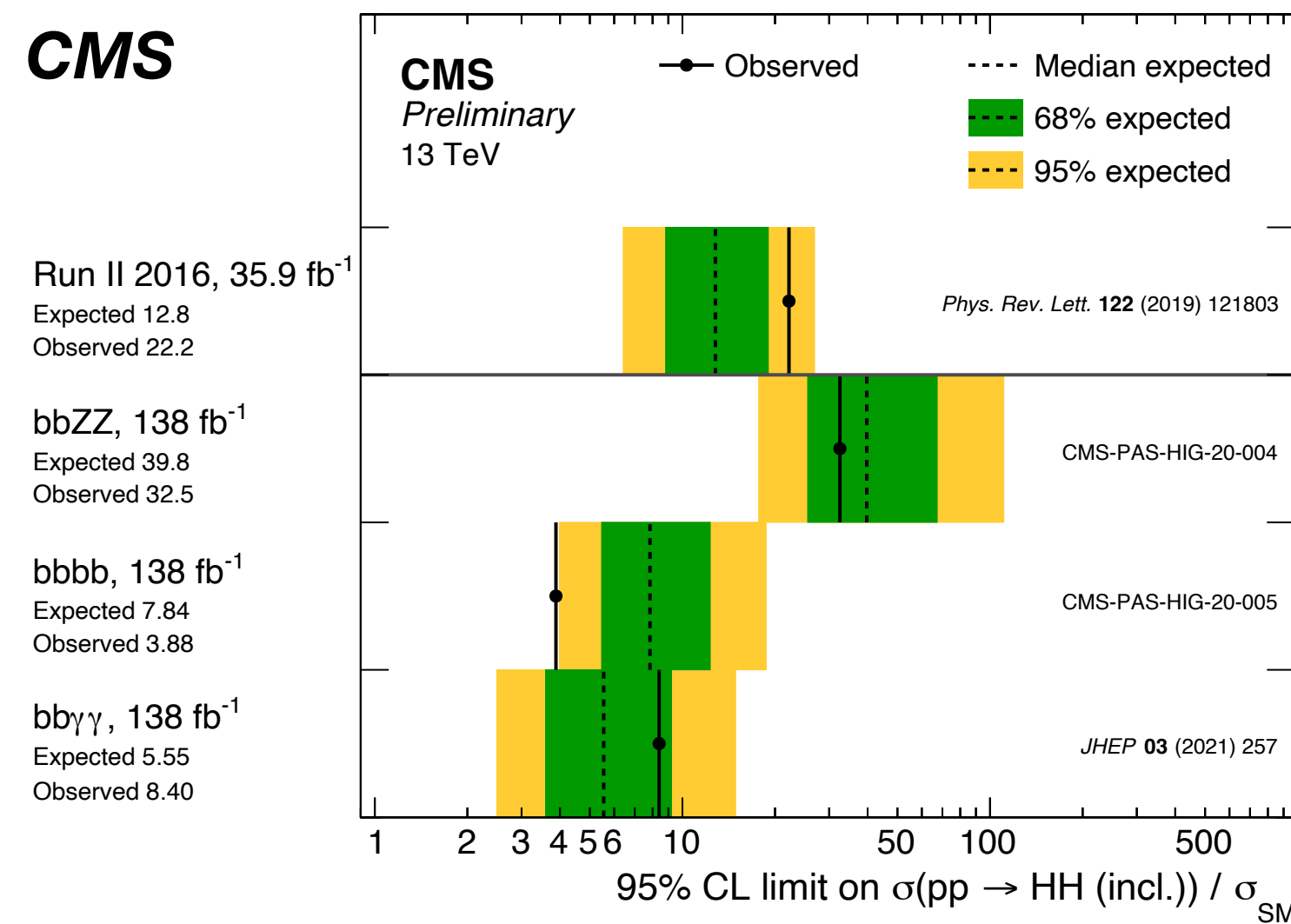
ATLAS



New combination made with the two leading channels:
observed (expected) limit on the HH cross-section is **2.8 (2.8)** times the SM prediction.

First measurement of σ_{HH}^{VBF}
observed (expected) limit is:
ATLAS Resolved
840 (550) times the SM prediction.
CMS Boosted
226 (412) times the SM prediction.
HH $\rightarrow b\bar{b}bb$ Resolved
225 (208) times the SM prediction.

CMS



No update on the **partial Run-2 combination**, but new results:
 - boosted 4b ;
 - bb4l ;

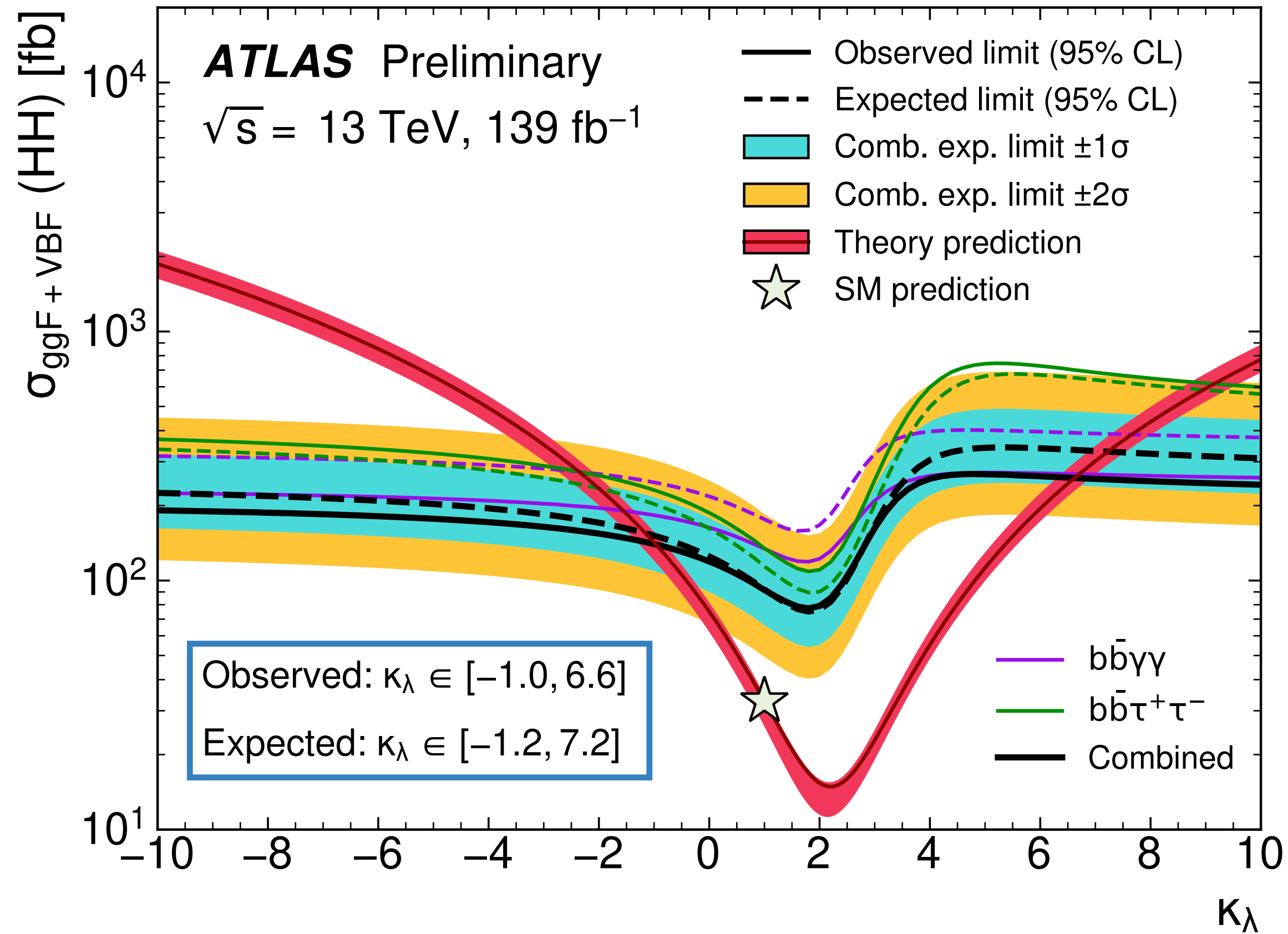
$\frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow HH)}{\sigma_{\text{SM}}}$ at 13 TeV		Partial Run 2 (2015-16)		Ful Run 2 (2015-18)	
		Obs	Exp	Obs	Exp
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	ATLAS	20.3	26	4.1	5.5
	CMS	23.6	18.8	7.7	5.2
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau$	ATLAS	12.5	15	4.7	3.9
	CMS	31.4	25.1		
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$	ATLAS	12.9	21		
	CMS	74.6	36.9	3.6	7.3
Combination	ATLAS	6.9	10	2.8	2.8
	CMS	22.2	12.8		



Conclusion



Combination done with Full Run-2 analyses with $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$



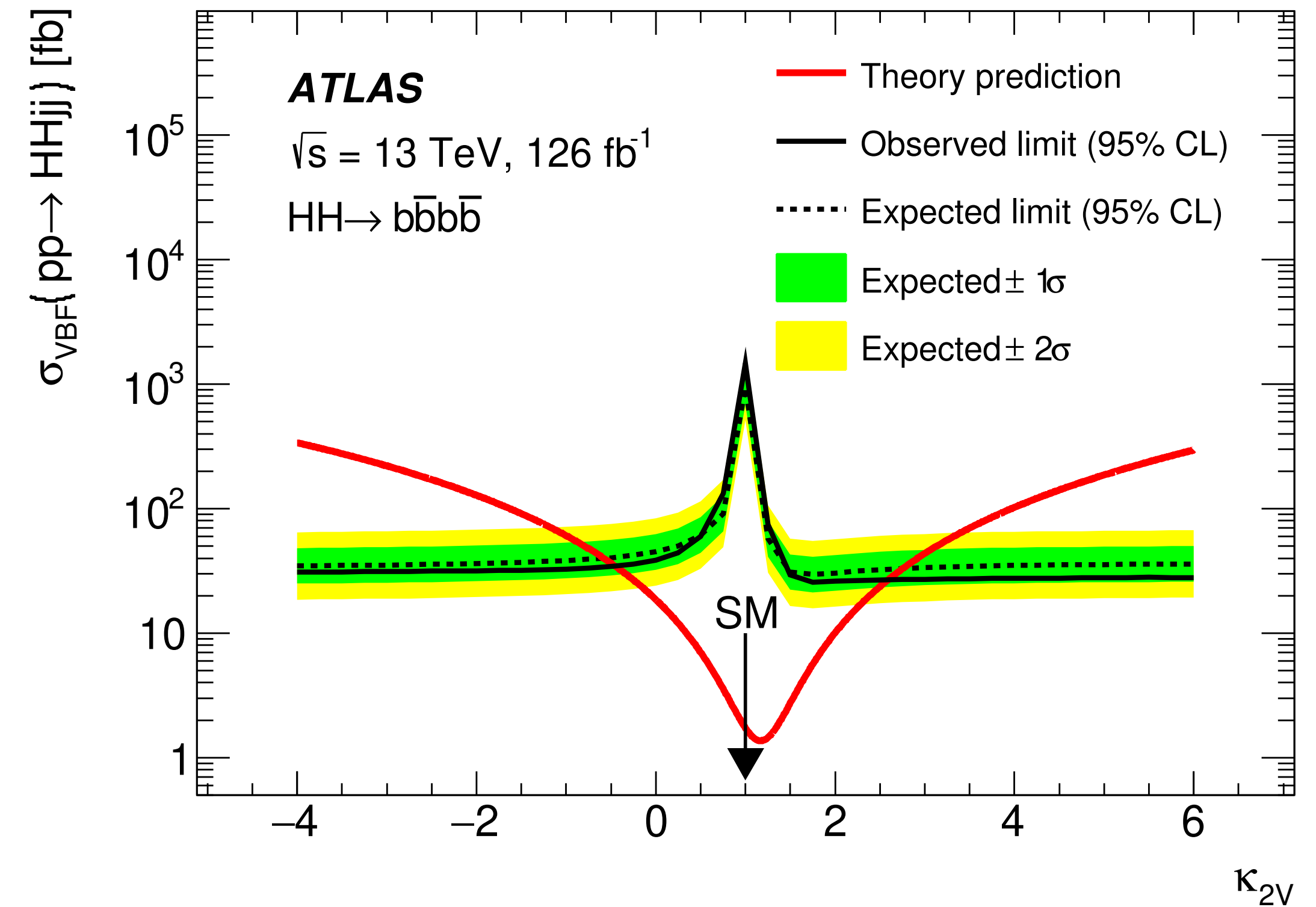
Best limit set so far on κ_λ so far.

First look at **VBF**: $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ final state

Limits are set on the κ_{2V} coupling modifier to:

$-0.4 < \kappa_{2V} < 2.6$ observed,

$-0.6 < \kappa_{2V} < 2.7$ expected.



Conclusion

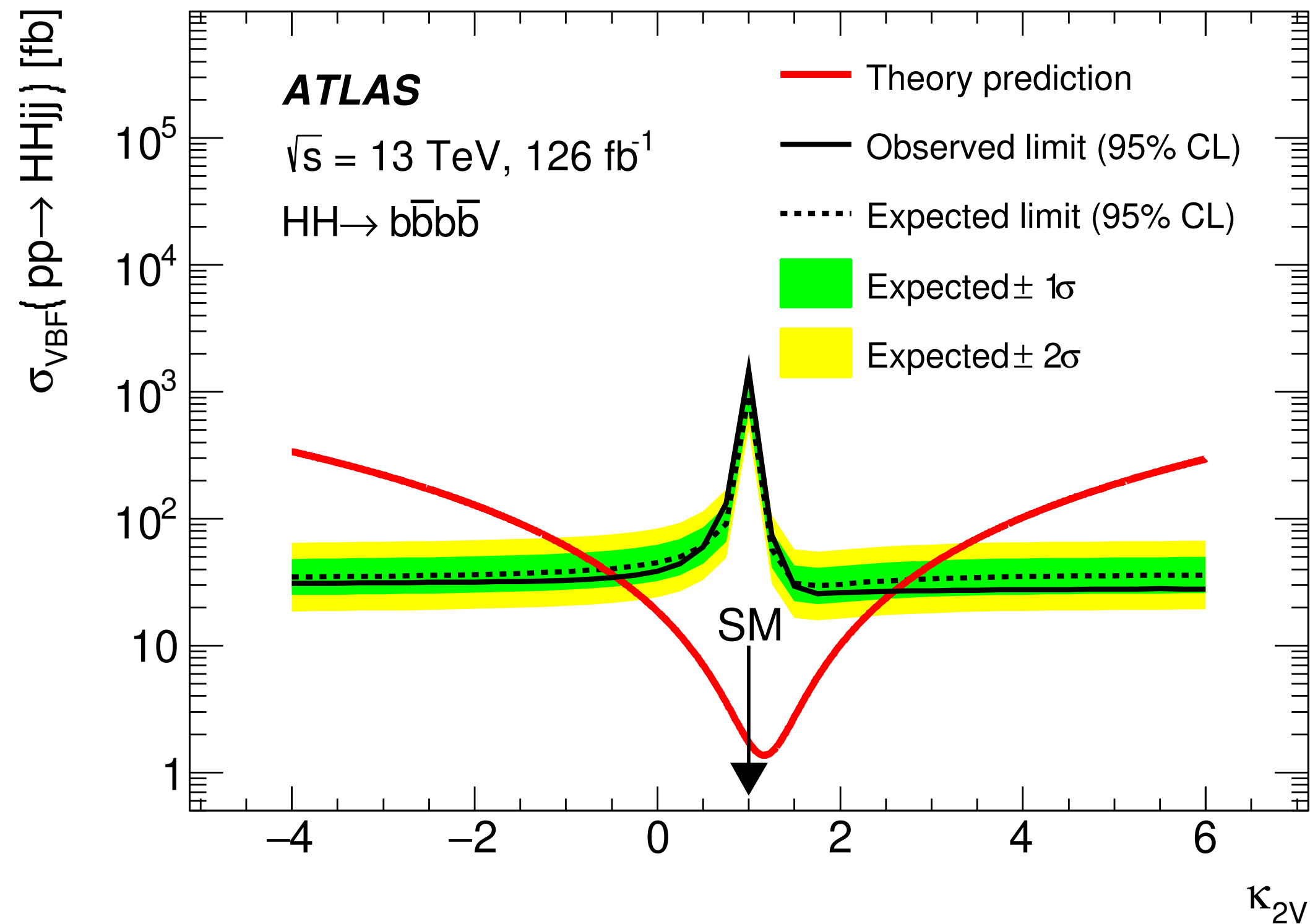


ATLAS $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ final state

Limits are set on the κ_{2V} coupling modifier to:

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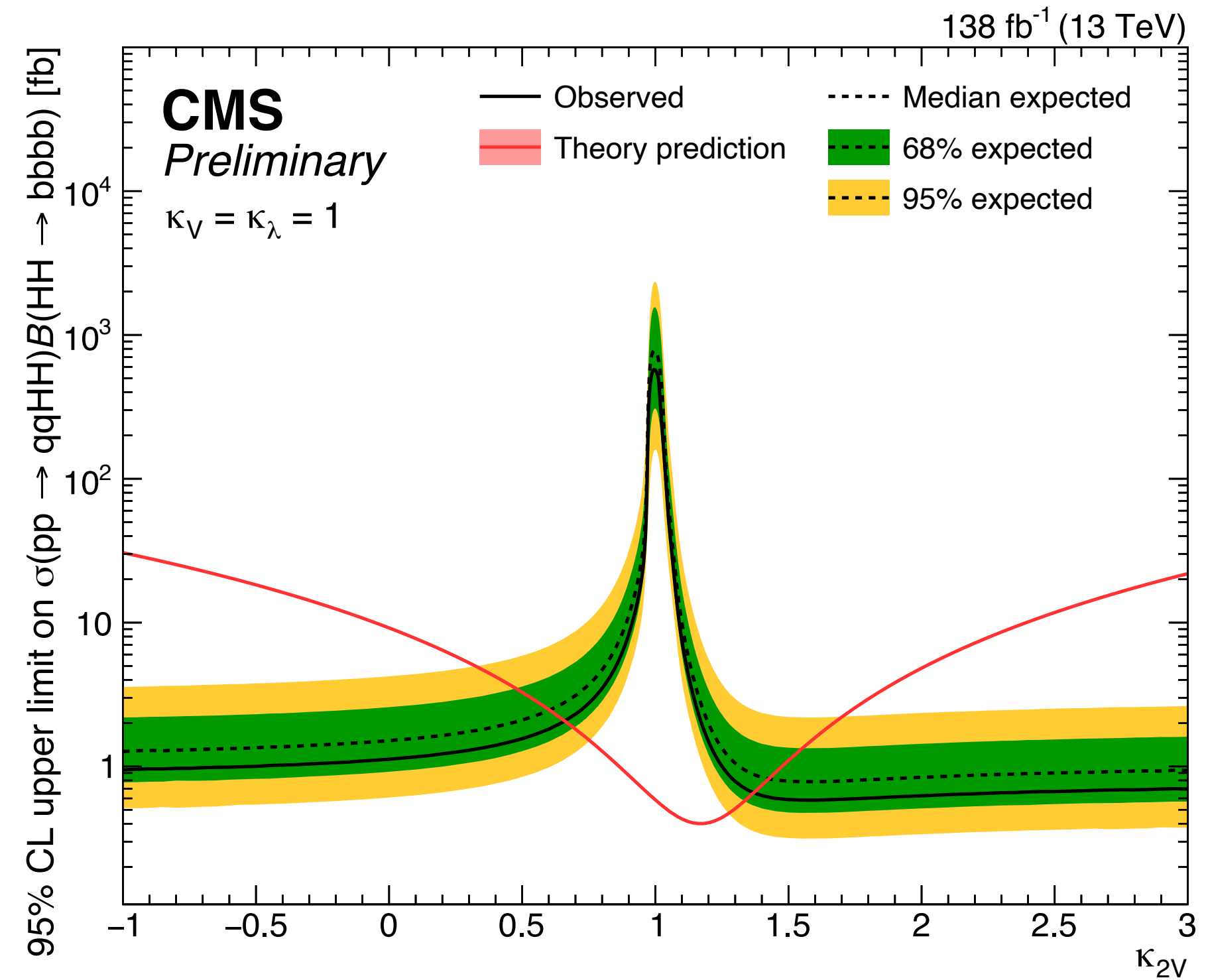


CMS $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ Boosted CMS-PAS-B2G-21-001

Several results are now including the κ_{2V} measurement, the best measurement is:

$$0.6 < \kappa_{2V} < 1.4 \text{ observed,}$$

$$0.8 < \kappa_{2V} < 1.2 \text{ expected.}$$

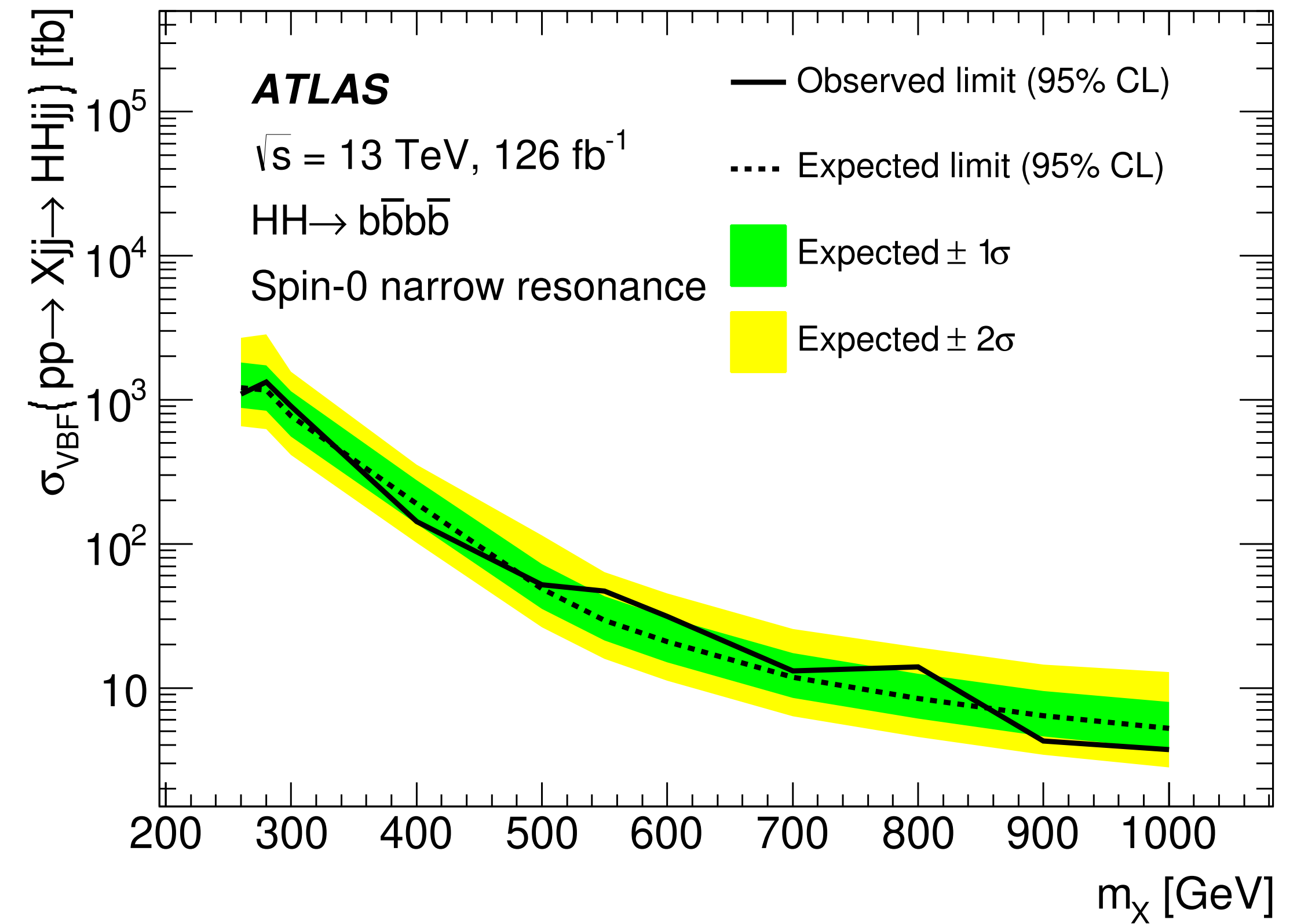
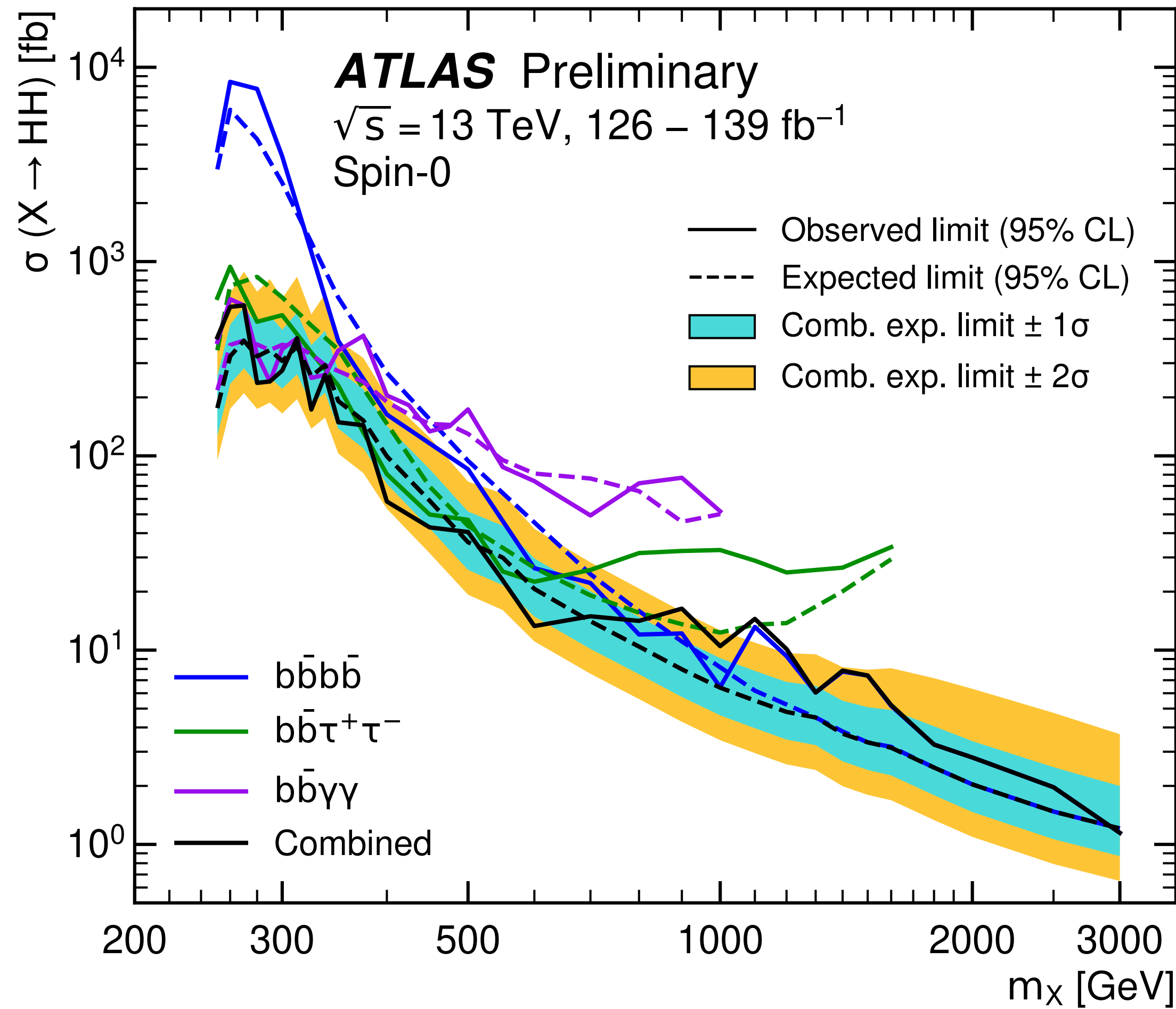


Conclusion



Combination done with Full Run-2 analyses with $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$

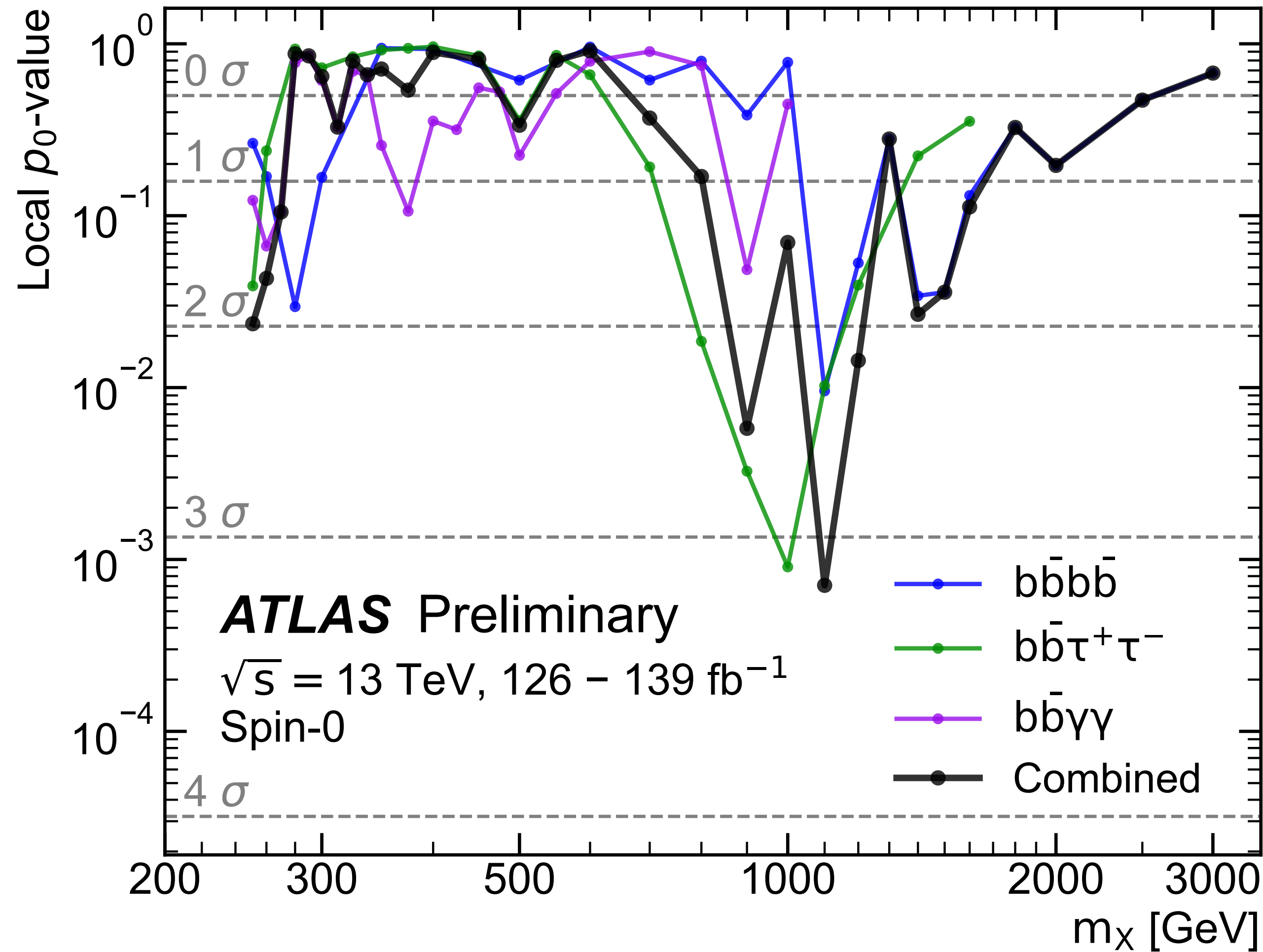
First look at **VBF**: $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ final state



Conclusion



Combination done with Full Run-2 analyses with $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$



The **largest deviation** from the SM expectation is seen at **1.1 TeV** with combined local (global*) significance of **3.2 σ (2.1 σ)**.

In comparison the local significance at 1.1 TeV was found to be 2.8 σ (1.5 σ) in the $\tau_{had}\tau_{had}$ ($\tau_{lep}\tau_{had}$) channel.

* The global significance accounts for a look-elsewhere effect with a trial factor (see [Eur. Phys. J. C 70, 525–530 \(2010\)](#))



Thanks for your attention.

Post-credit scene: a look into the future

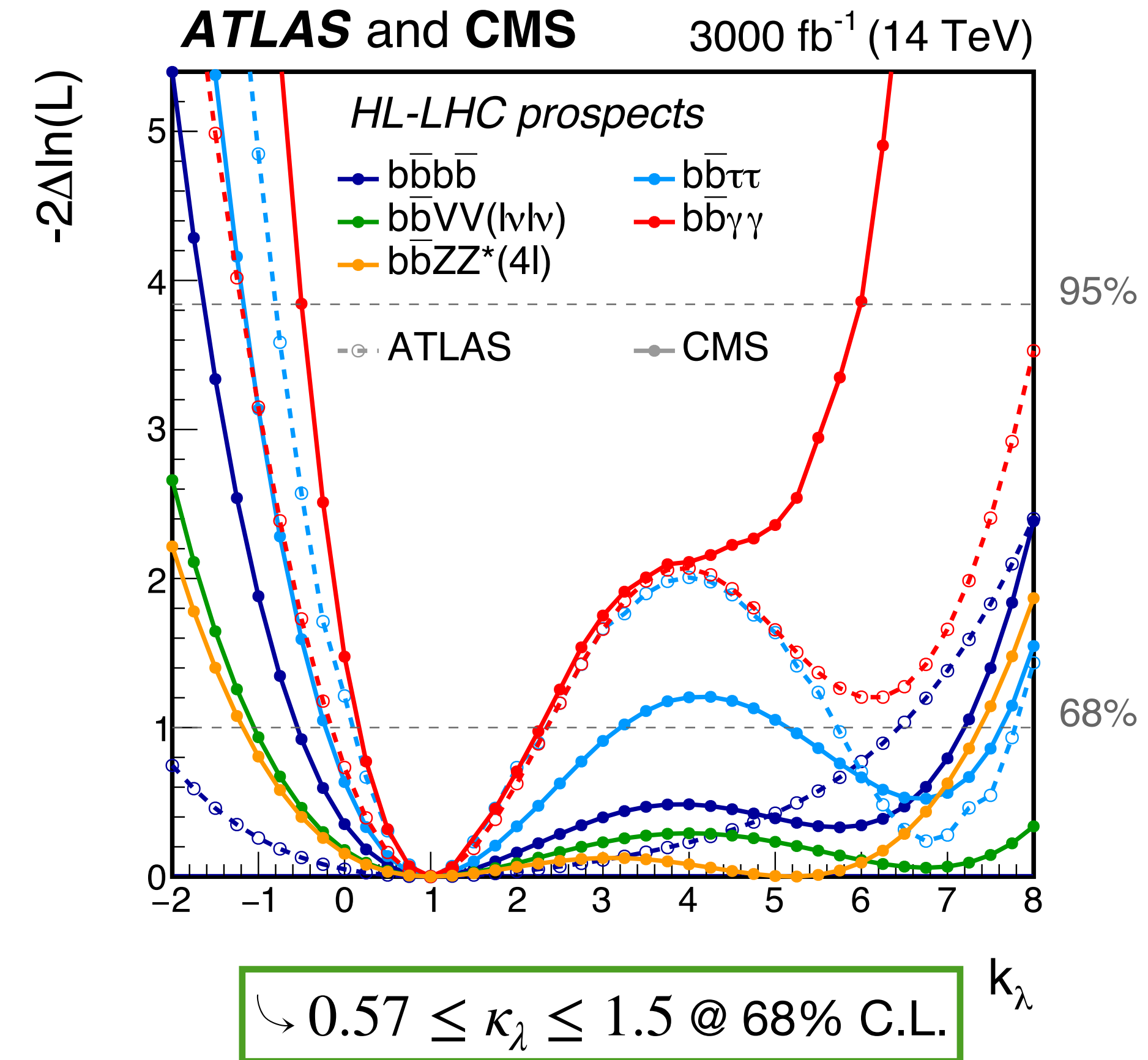


The story is not over yet : the **High Luminosity** phase of the LHC aims at collecting more than **90%** of the total LHC dataset.

CERN has published a Yellow Report summarising the extrapolation of the partial Run-2 results:

- Including special consideration for the systematics
- Some re-optimisation from the published partial Run-2 results

	Statistical-only		Statistical + Systematic	
	ATLAS	CMS	ATLAS	CMS
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$	1.4	1.2	0.61	0.95
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau$	2.5	1.6	2.1	1.4
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	2.1	1.8	2.0	1.8
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}VV(ll\nu\nu)$	-	0.59	-	0.56
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}ZZ(4l)$	-	0.37	-	0.37
combined	3.5	2.8	3.0	2.6
	Combined		Combined	
	4.5		4.0	



Post-credit scene: a look into the future



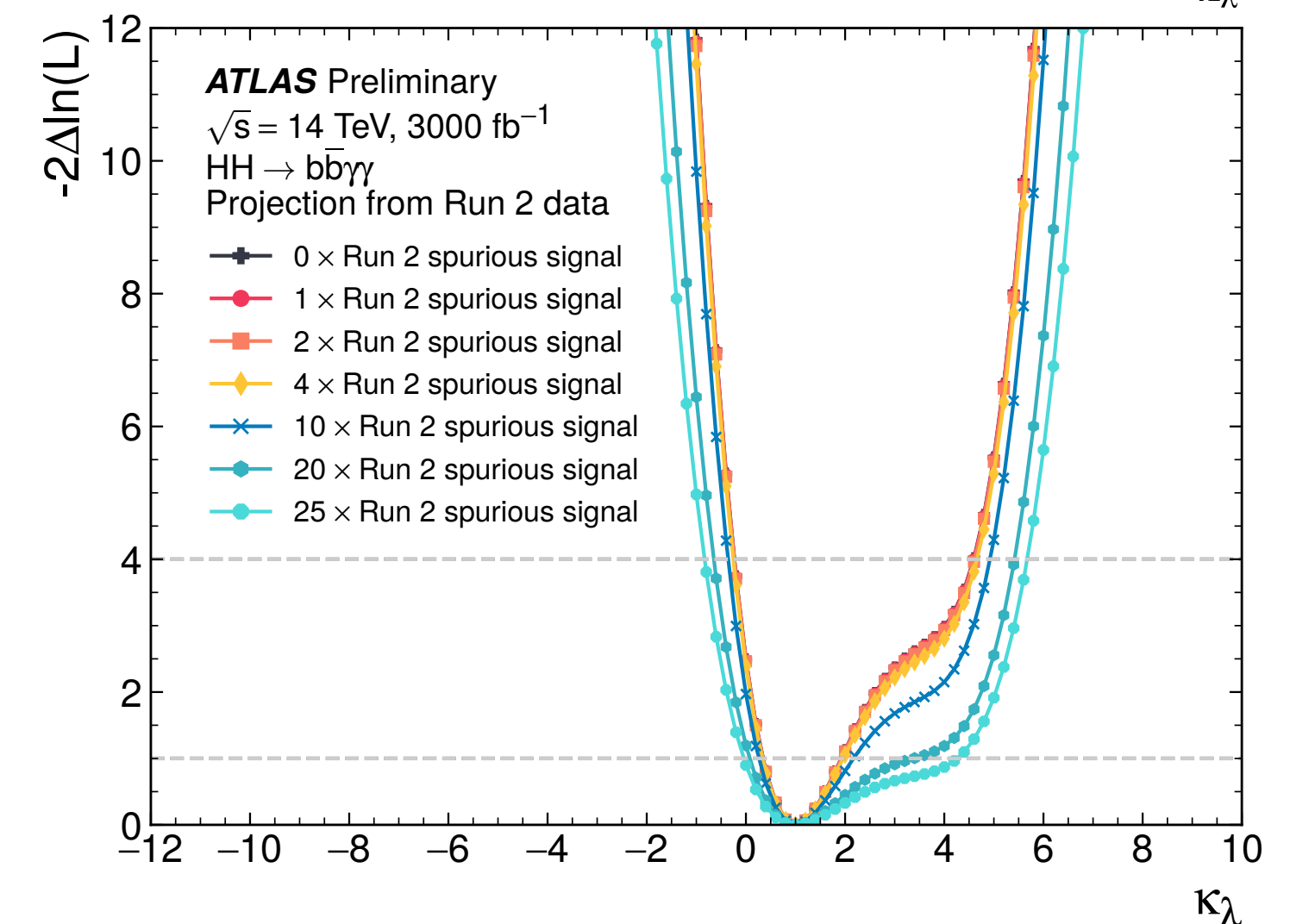
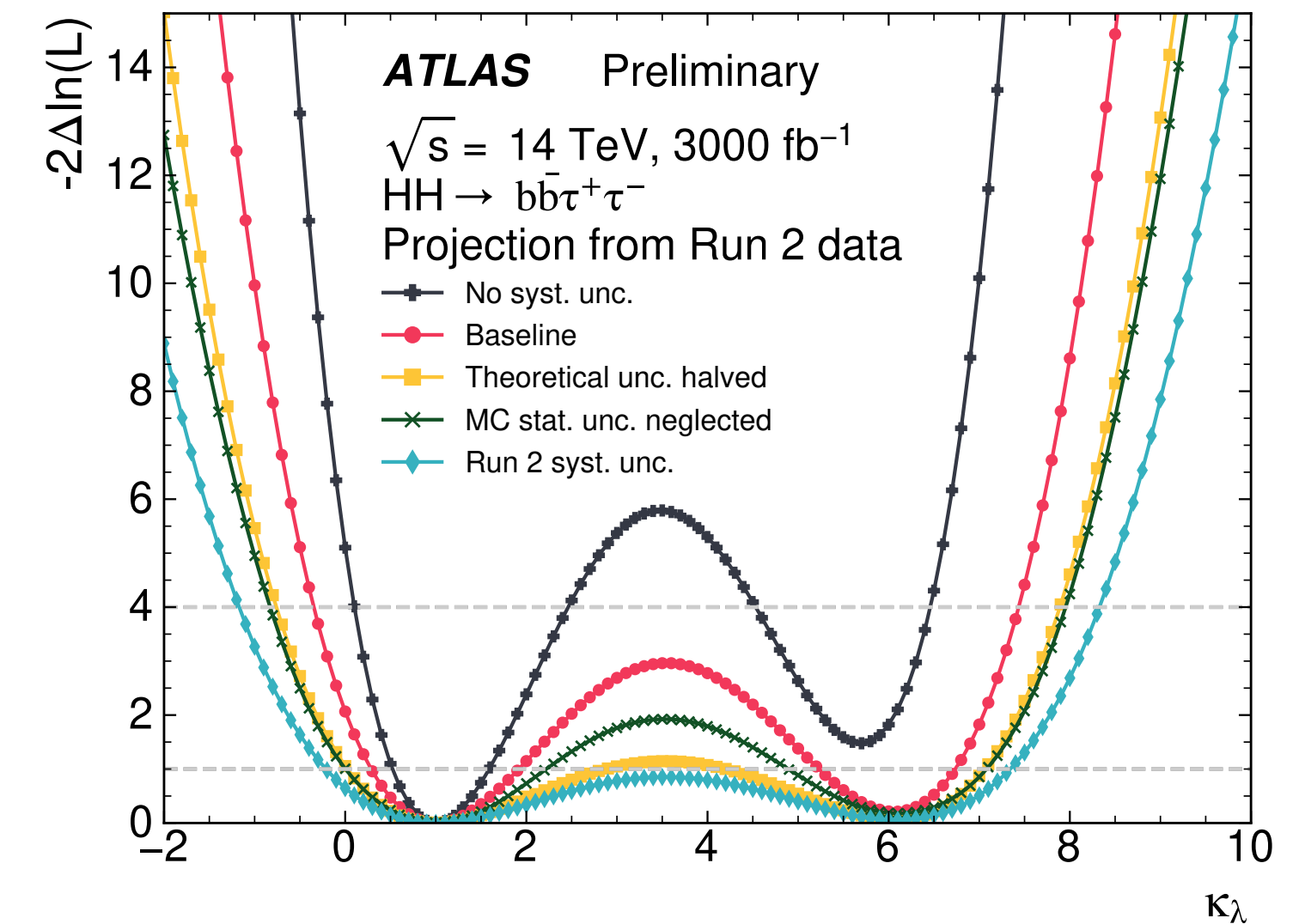
Since then we have updated greatly the analysis, improving far beyond the luminosity gain.

From the ATLAS side both $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$ (ATL-PHYS-PUB-2021-044) and $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ (ATL-PHYS-PUB-2022-001) have released recent results :

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	ATLAS	CMS	ATLAS	CMS
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$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau$	2.5 4.0	1.6	2.1 2.8	1.4
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	2.1 2.3	1.8	2.0 2.2	1.8
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}VV(ll\nu\nu)$	-	0.59	-	0.56
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}ZZ(4l)$	-	0.37	-	0.37
combined	3.5	2.8	3.0	2.6
	Combined		Combined	
	4.5		4.0	

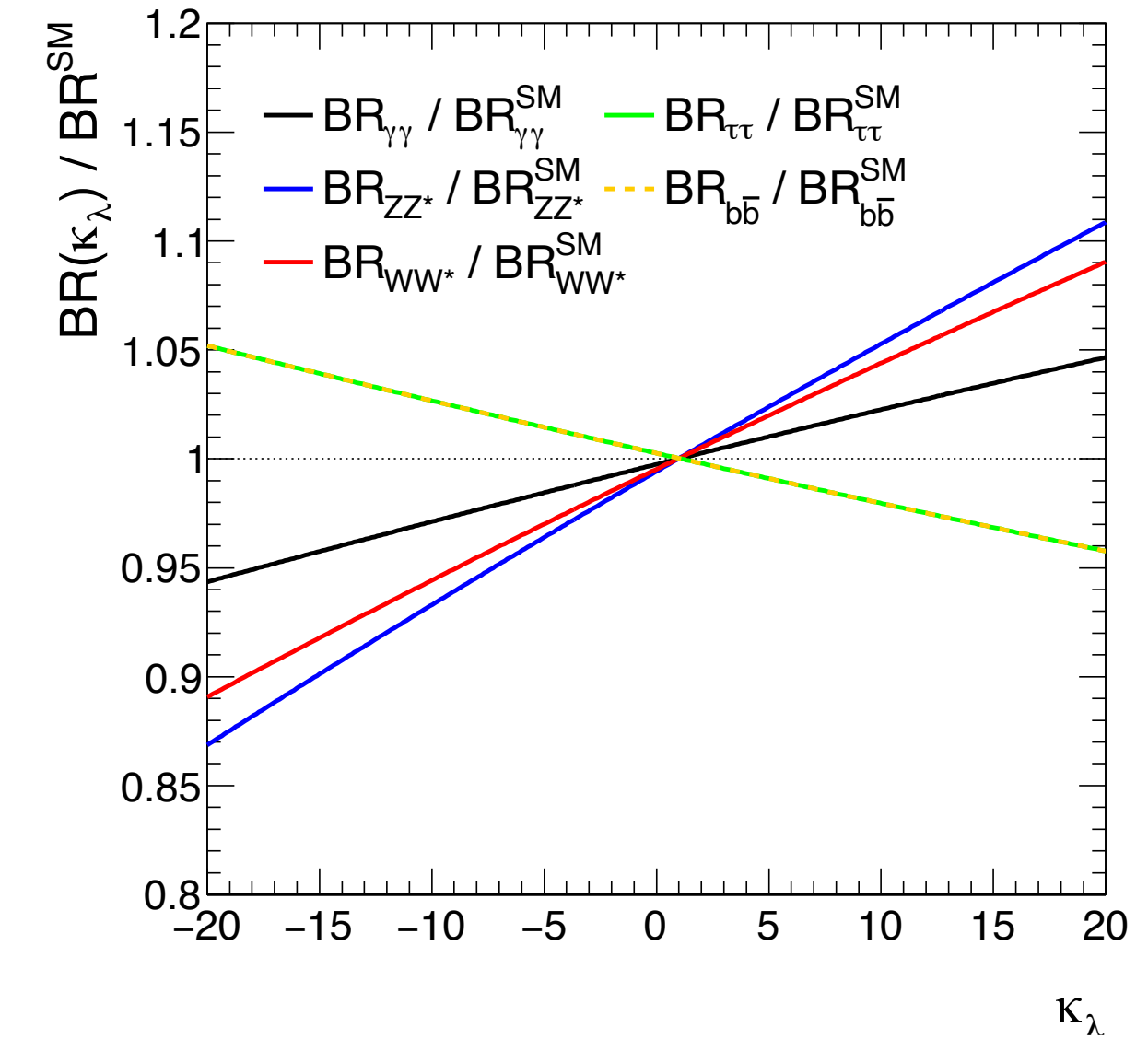
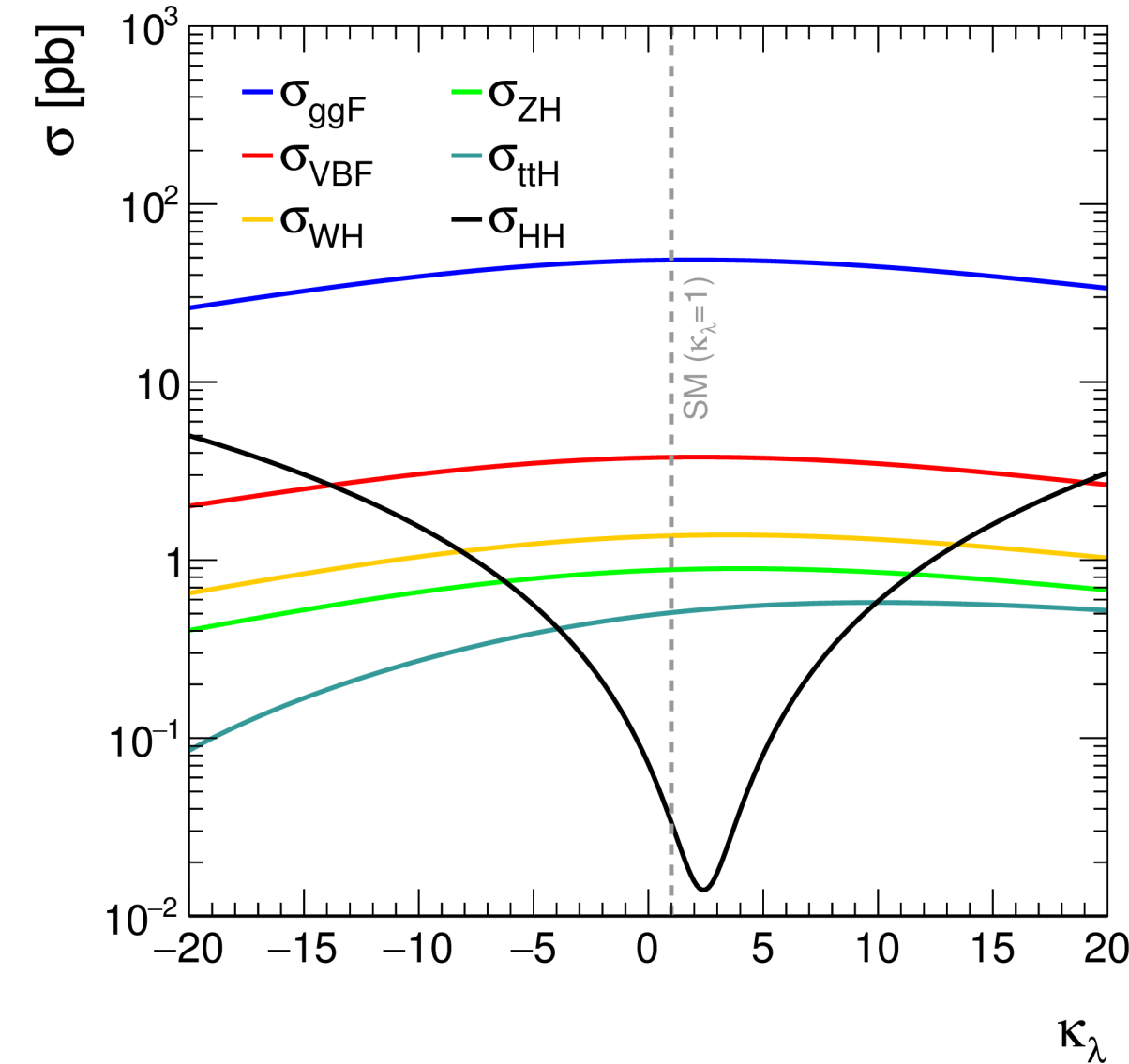
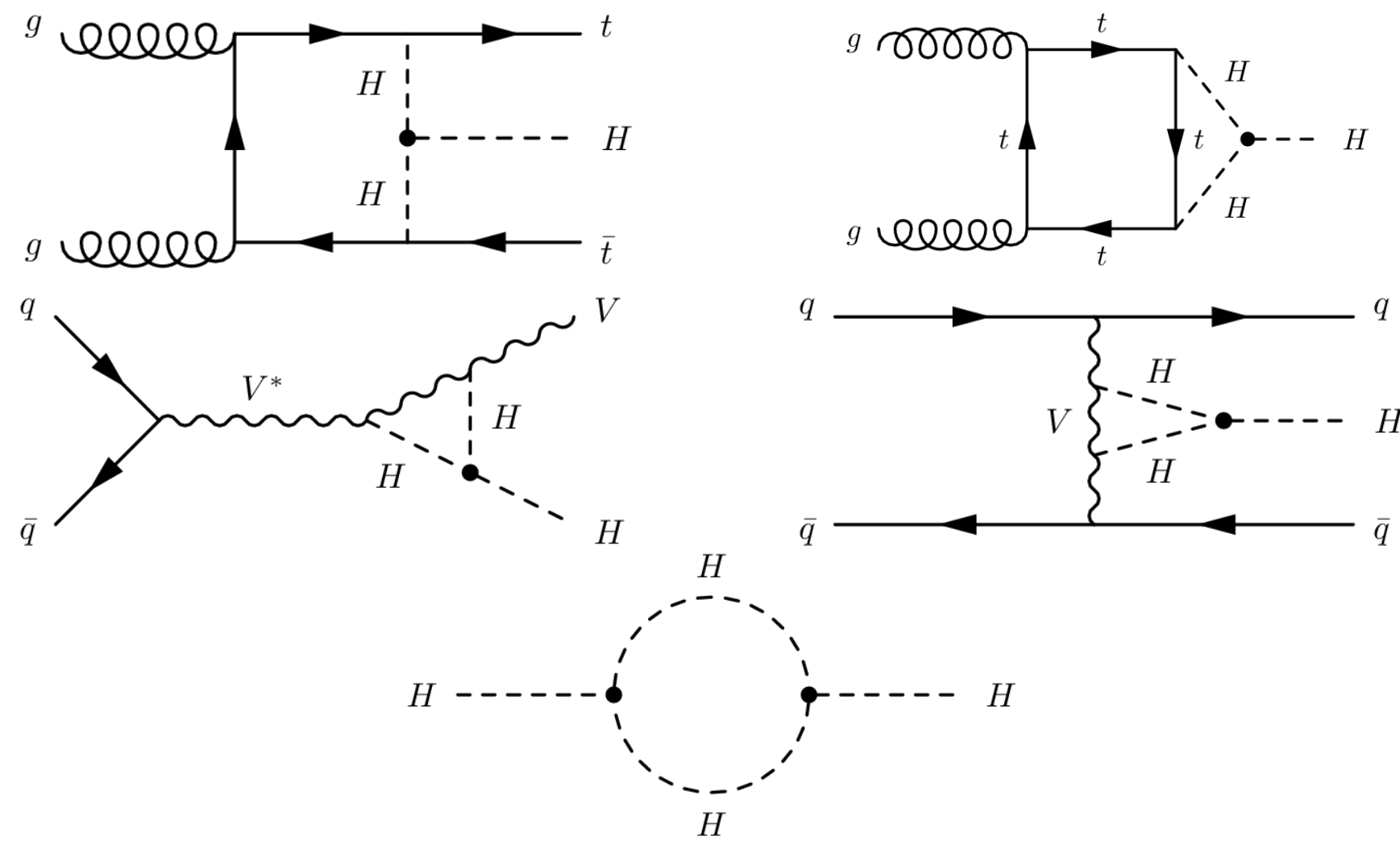
The **gains** are mostly explained by the improved **selection** and **reconstruction** techniques.

The limitations mainly arise from the **theoretical uncertainties** on single Higgs production and top-related backgrounds, as well as the modelling of the diphoton one.



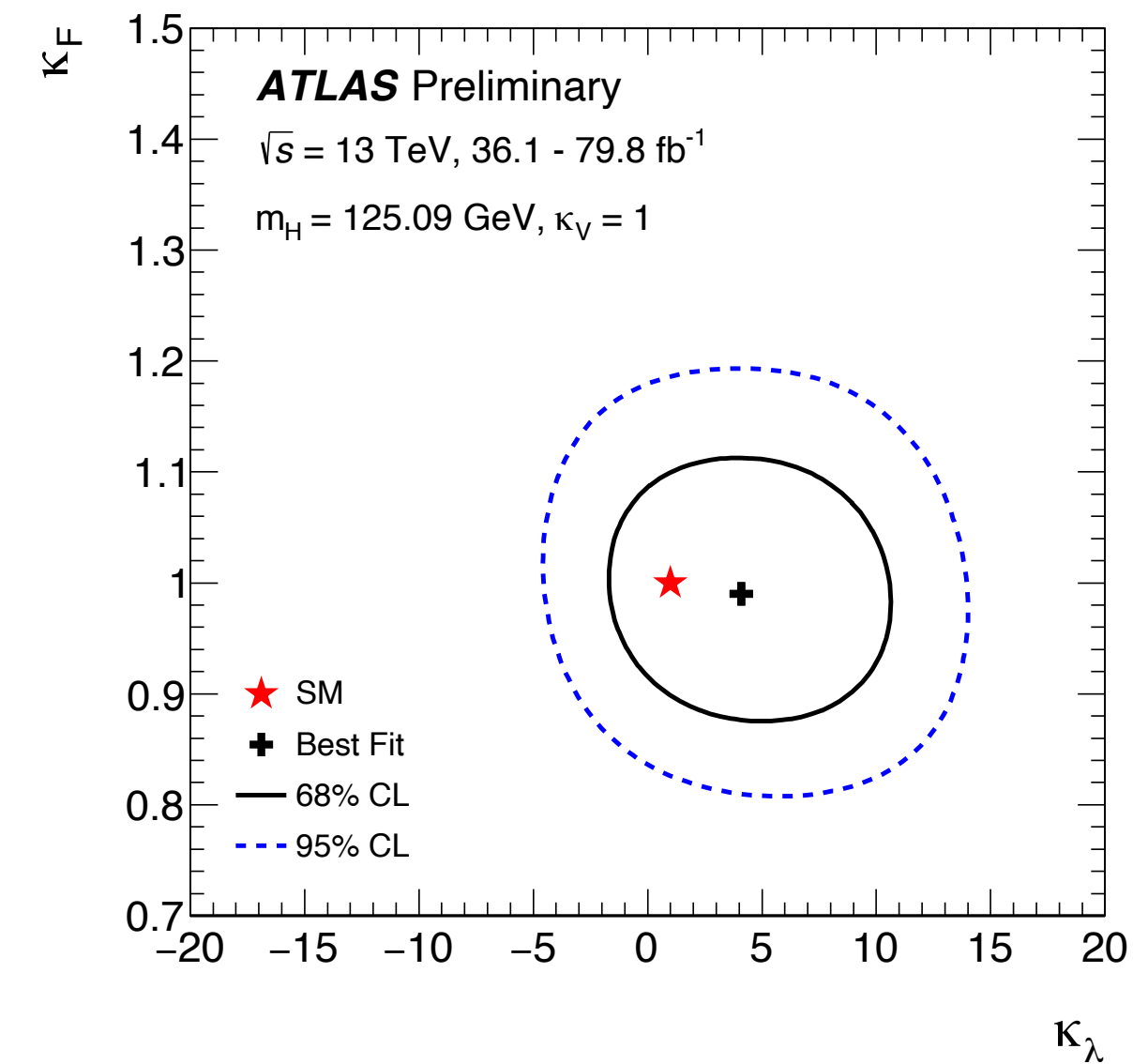
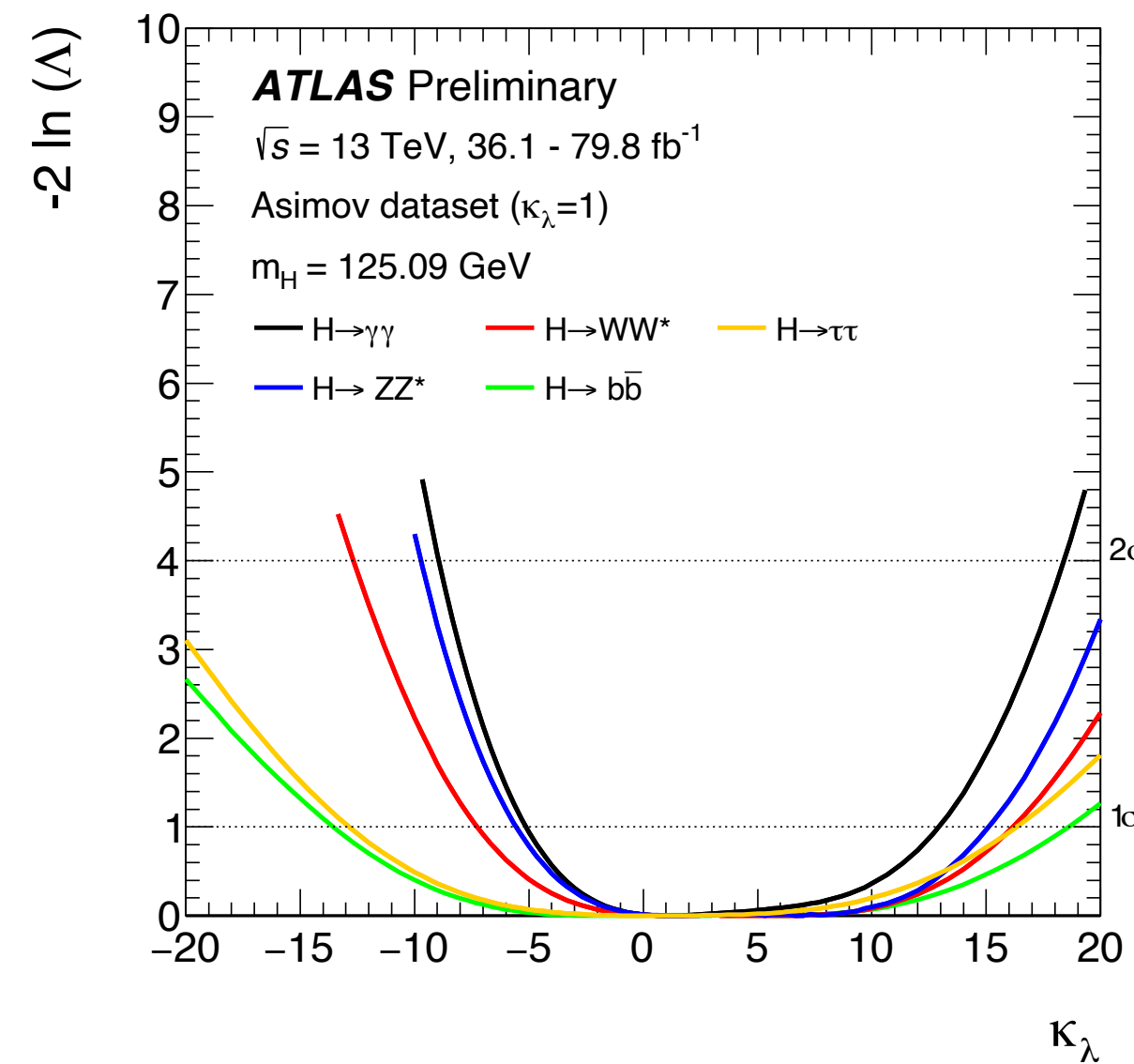
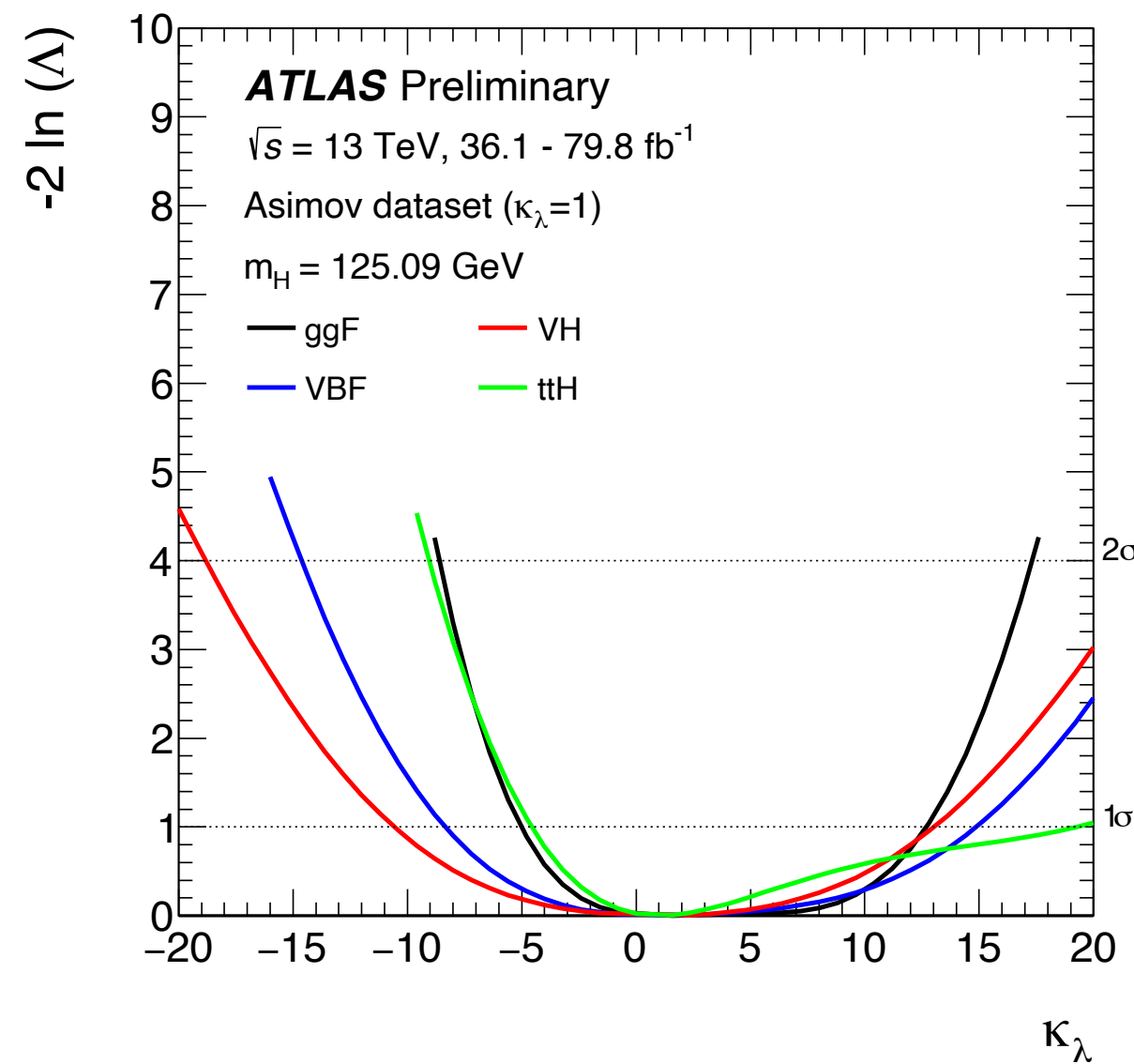
BACK-UP

Single Higgs constrains

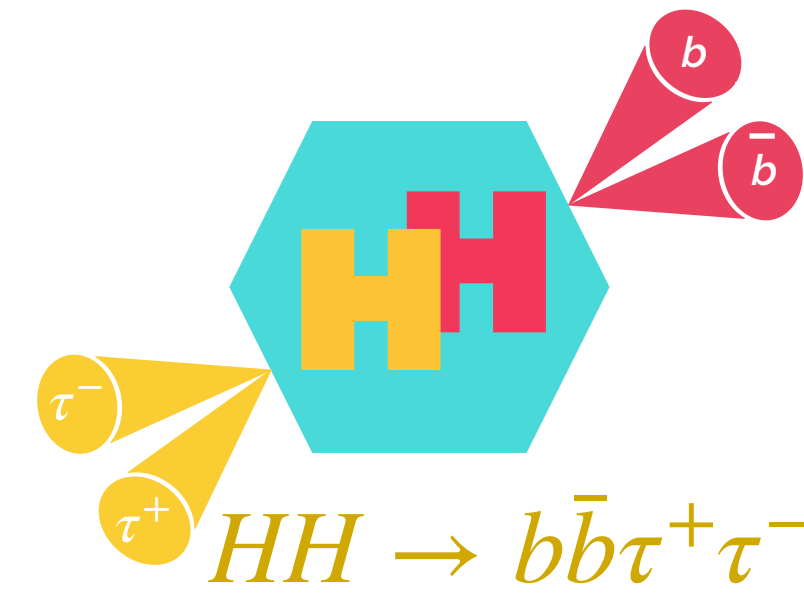


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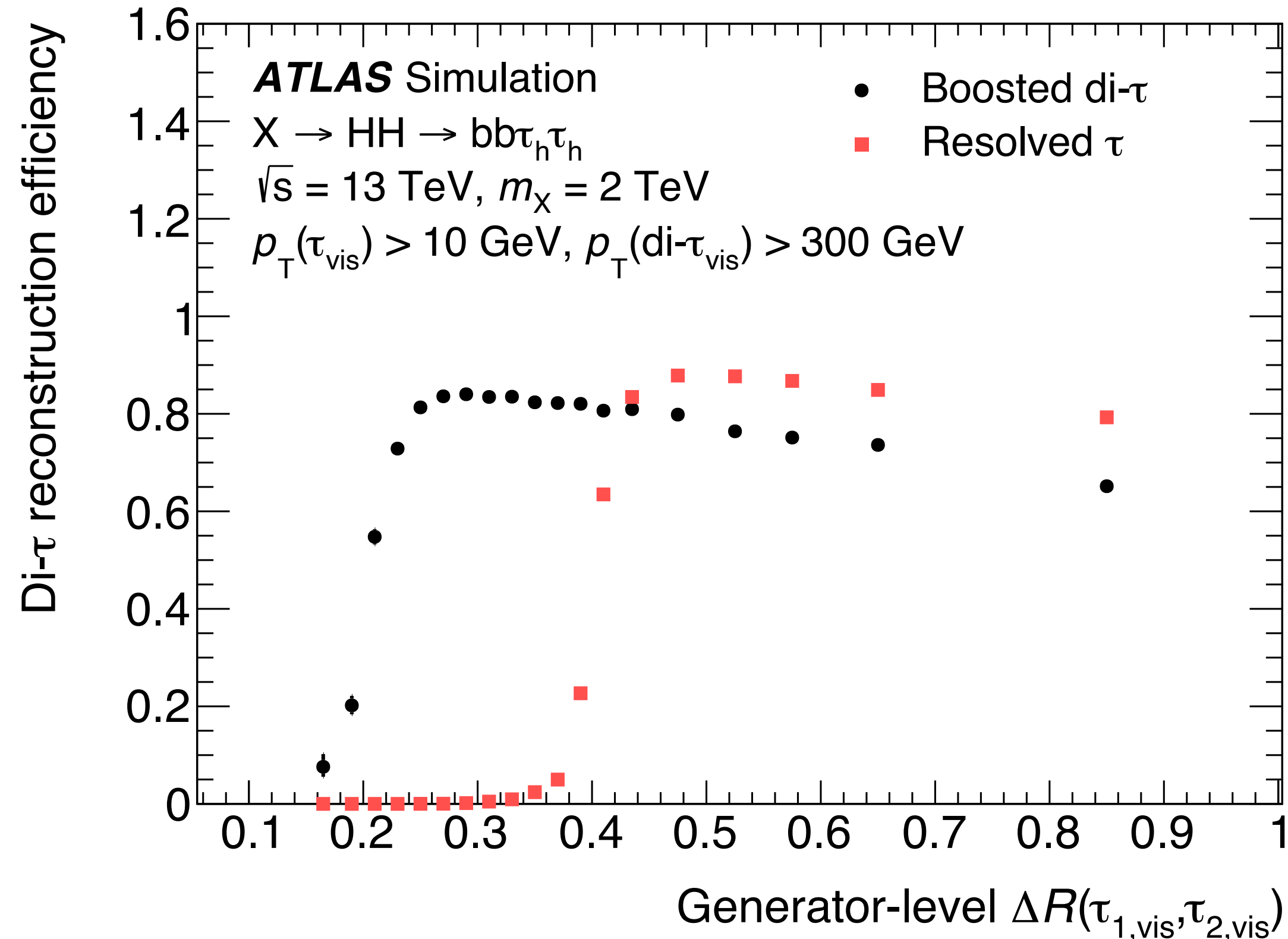
Combinaison of single Higgs channels with $\mathcal{L} = 80\text{fb}^{-1}$ yielding:
 $-3.2 < \kappa_\lambda < 11.9$



Bbtautau Boosted

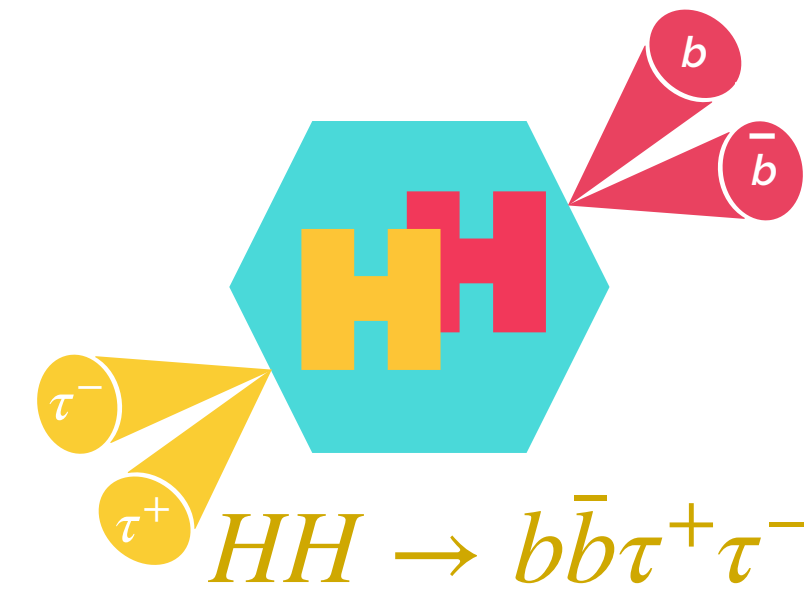


Boosted di-tau BDT identification:



Variable	Definition
$E_{\Delta R < 0.1}^{\text{sj}_1} / E_{\Delta R < 0.2}^{\text{sj}_1}$ and $E_{\Delta R < 0.1}^{\text{sj}_2} / E_{\Delta R < 0.2}^{\text{sj}_2}$	Ratios of the energy deposited in the core to that in the full cone, for the sub-jets sj_1 and sj_2 , respectively
$p_T^{\text{sj}_2} / p_T^{\text{LRJ}}$ and $(p_T^{\text{sj}_1} + p_T^{\text{sj}_2}) / p_T^{\text{LRJ}}$	Ratio of the p_T of sj_2 to the di- τ seeding large-radius jet p_T and ratio of the scalar p_T sum of the two leading sub-jets to the di- τ seeding large-radius jet p_T , respectively
$\log(\sum p_T^{\text{iso-tracks}} / p_T^{\text{LRJ}})$	Logarithm of the ratio of the scalar p_T sum of the iso-tracks to the di- τ seeding large-radius jet p_T
$\Delta R_{\text{max}}(\text{track}, \text{sj}_1)$ and $\Delta R_{\text{max}}(\text{track}, \text{sj}_2)$	Largest separation of a track from its associated sub-jet axis, for the sub-jets sj_1 and sj_2 , respectively
$\sum [p_T^{\text{track}} \Delta R(\text{track}, \text{sj}_2)] / \sum p_T^{\text{track}}$	p_T -weighted ΔR of the tracks matched to sj_2 with respect to its axis
$\sum [p_T^{\text{iso-track}} \Delta R(\text{iso-track}, \text{sj})] / \sum p_T^{\text{iso-track}}$	p_T -weighted sum of ΔR between iso-tracks and the nearest sub-jet axis
$\log(m_{\Delta R < 0.1}^{\text{tracks}, \text{sj}_1})$ and $\log(m_{\Delta R < 0.1}^{\text{tracks}, \text{sj}_2})$	Logarithms of the invariant mass of the tracks in the core of sj_1 and sj_2 , respectively
$\log(m_{\Delta R < 0.2}^{\text{tracks}, \text{sj}_1})$ and $\log(m_{\Delta R < 0.2}^{\text{tracks}, \text{sj}_2})$	Logarithms of the invariant mass of the tracks with $\Delta R < 0.2$ from the axis of sj_1 and sj_2 , respectively
$\log(d_{0,\text{lead-track}}^{\text{sj}_1})$ and $\log(d_{0,\text{lead-track}}^{\text{sj}_2})$	Logarithms of the closest distance in the transverse plane between the primary vertex and the leading track of sj_1 and sj_2 , respectively
$n_{\text{tracks}}^{\text{sj}_1}$ and $n_{\text{tracks}}^{\text{sub-jets}}$	Number of tracks matched to sj_1 and to all sub-jets, respectively

Bbtautau Resolved



BDT input variables:

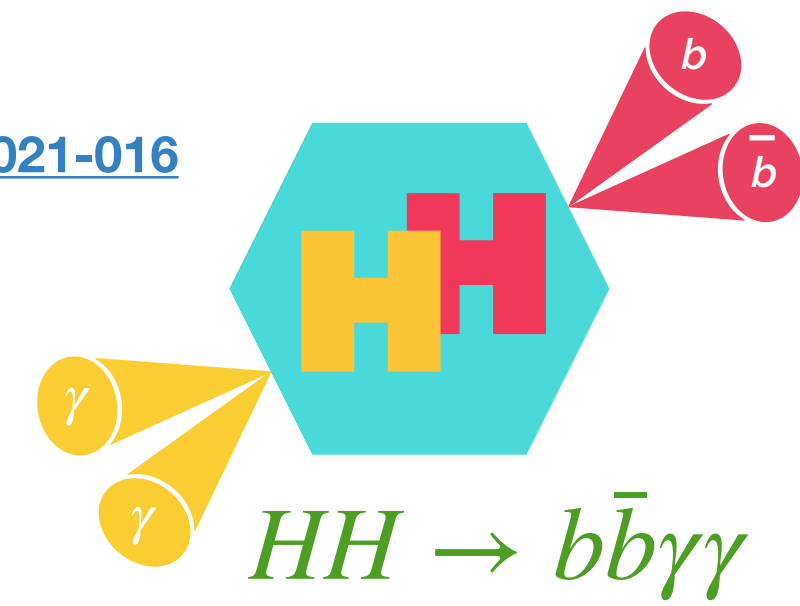
Variable	$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ channel (SLT resonant)	$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ channel (SLT nonresonant & LTT)	$\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ channel
m_{HH}	✓	✓	✓
$m_{\tau\tau}^{\text{MMC}}$	✓	✓	✓
m_{bb}	✓	✓	✓
$\Delta R(\tau, \tau)$	✓	✓	✓
$\Delta R(b, b)$	✓	✓	✓
E_T^{miss}	✓		
E_T^{miss} ϕ centrality	✓		✓
m_T^W	✓	✓	
$\Delta\phi(H, H)$	✓		
$\Delta p_T(\text{lep}, \tau_{\text{had-vis}})$	✓		
Subleading b -jet p_T	✓		

Non resonant limits per channel:

		Observed	-1σ	Expected	$+1\sigma$
$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$	$\sigma(HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau)$ [fb]	57	49.9	69	96
	$\sigma/\sigma_{\text{SM}}$	23.5	20.5	28.4	39.5
$\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$	$\sigma(HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau)$ [fb]	40.0	30.6	42.4	59
	$\sigma/\sigma_{\text{SM}}$	16.4	12.5	17.4	24.2
Combination	$\sigma(HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau)$ [fb]	30.9	26.0	36.1	50
	$\sigma/\sigma_{\text{SM}}$	12.7	10.7	14.8	20.6

Impact of systematics on SM limit:

Source	Uncertainty (%)
Total	± 54
Data statistics	± 44
Simulation statistics	± 16
Experimental uncertainties	
Luminosity	± 2.4
Pileup reweighting	± 1.7
τ_{had}	± 16
Fake- τ estimation	± 8.4
b tagging	± 8.3
Jets and E_T^{miss}	± 3.3
Electron and muon	± 0.5
Theoretical and modeling uncertainties	
Top	± 17
Signal	± 9.3
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	± 6.8
SM Higgs	± 2.9
Other backgrounds	± 0.3



Non Resonant

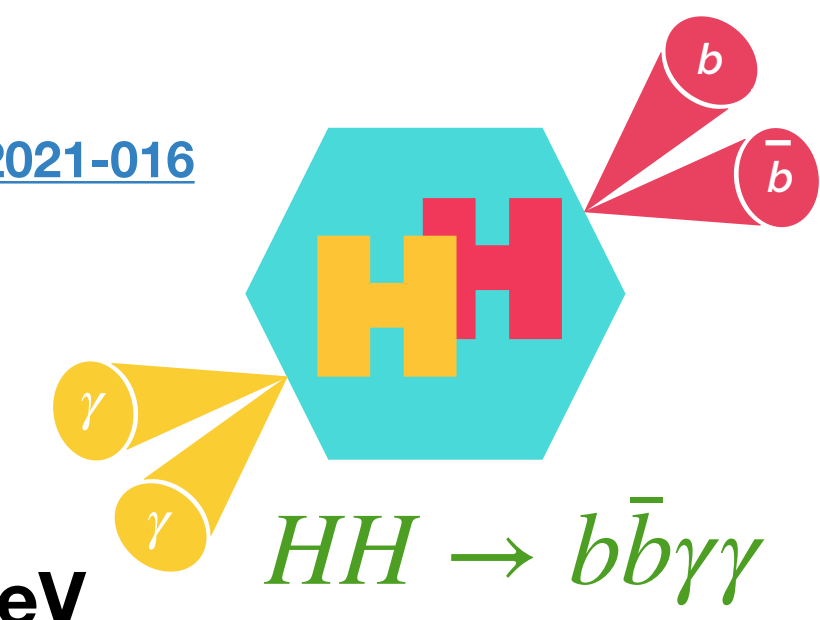
Variable	Definition
Photon-related kinematic variables	
$p_T/m_{\gamma\gamma}$	Transverse momentum of the two photons scaled by their invariant mass $m_{\gamma\gamma}$
η and ϕ	Pseudo-rapidity and azimuthal angle of the leading and sub-leading photon
Jet-related kinematic variables	
b -tag status	Highest fixed b -tag working point that the jet passes
p_T, η and ϕ	Transverse momentum, pseudo-rapidity and azimuthal angle of the two jets with the highest b -tagging score
$p_T^{b\bar{b}}, \eta_{b\bar{b}}$ and $\phi_{b\bar{b}}$	Transverse momentum, pseudo-rapidity and azimuthal angle of b -tagged jets system
$m_{b\bar{b}}$	Invariant mass built with the two jets with the highest b -tagging score
H_T	Scalar sum of the p_T of the jets in the event
Single topness	For the definition, see Eq. (1)
Missing transverse momentum-related variables	
E_T^{miss} and ϕ^{miss}	Missing transverse momentum and its azimuthal angle

Resonant

Variable	Definition
Photon-related kinematic variables	
$p_T^{\gamma\gamma}, y^{\gamma\gamma}$	Transverse momentum and rapidity of the di-photon system
$\Delta\phi_{\gamma\gamma}$ and $\Delta R_{\gamma\gamma}$	Azimuthal angular distance and ΔR between the two photons
Jet-related kinematic variables	
$m_{b\bar{b}}, p_T^{b\bar{b}}$ and $y_{b\bar{b}}$	Invariant mass, transverse momentum and rapidity of the b -tagged jets system
$\Delta\phi_{b\bar{b}}$ and $\Delta R_{b\bar{b}}$	Azimuthal angular distance and ΔR between the two b -tagged jets
N_{jets} and $N_{b\text{-jets}}$	Number of jets and number of b -tagged jets
H_T	Scalar sum of the p_T of the jets in the event
Photons and jets-related kinematic variables	
$m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma}$	Invariant mass built with the di-photon and b -tagged jets system
$\Delta y_{\gamma\gamma, b\bar{b}}, \Delta\phi_{\gamma\gamma, b\bar{b}}$ and $\Delta R_{\gamma\gamma, b\bar{b}}$	Distance in rapidity, azimuthal angle and ΔR between the di-photon and the b -tagged jets system

Post-fit plots

ggF: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$ [ATLAS-CONF-2021-016](#)

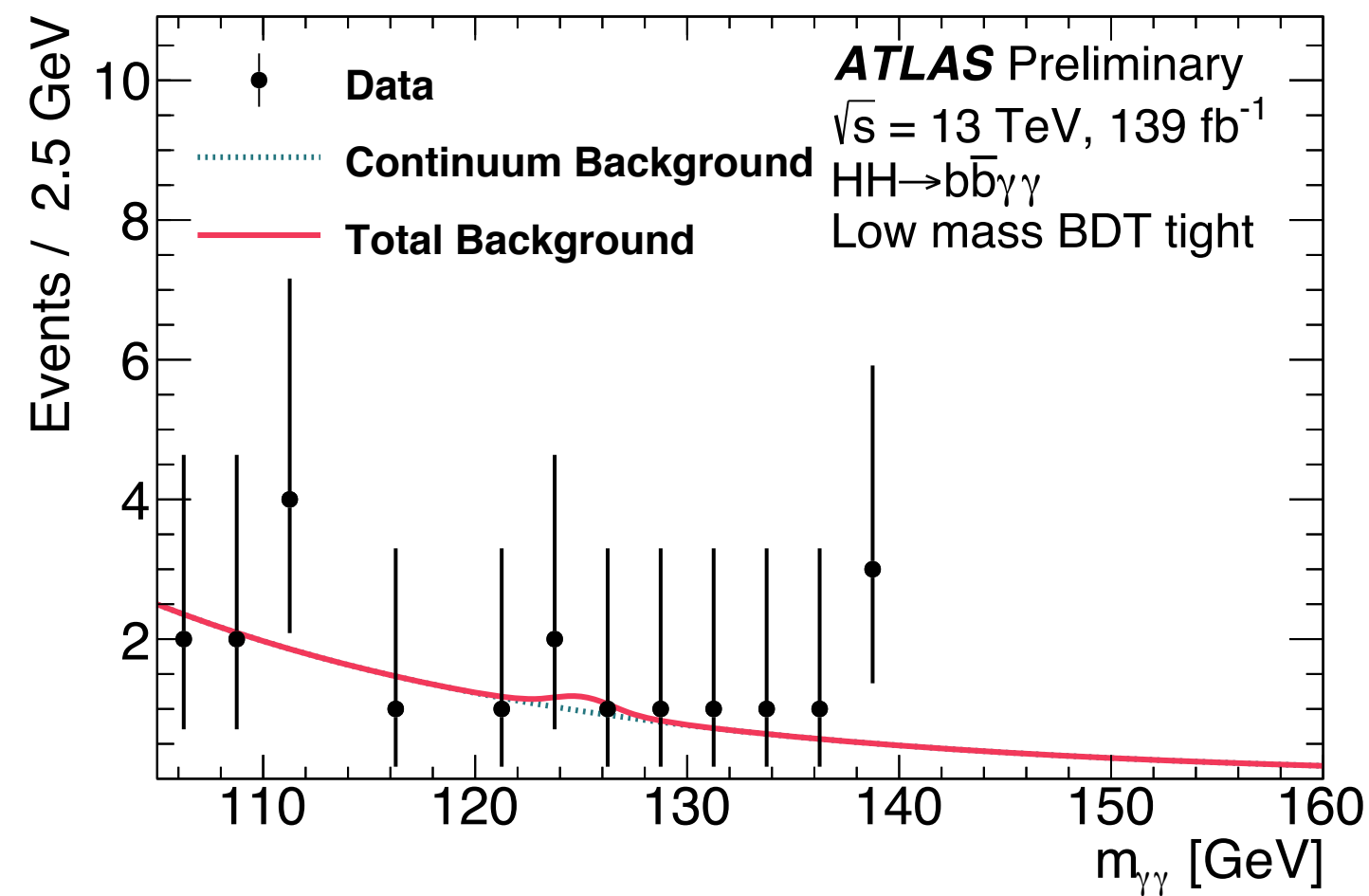
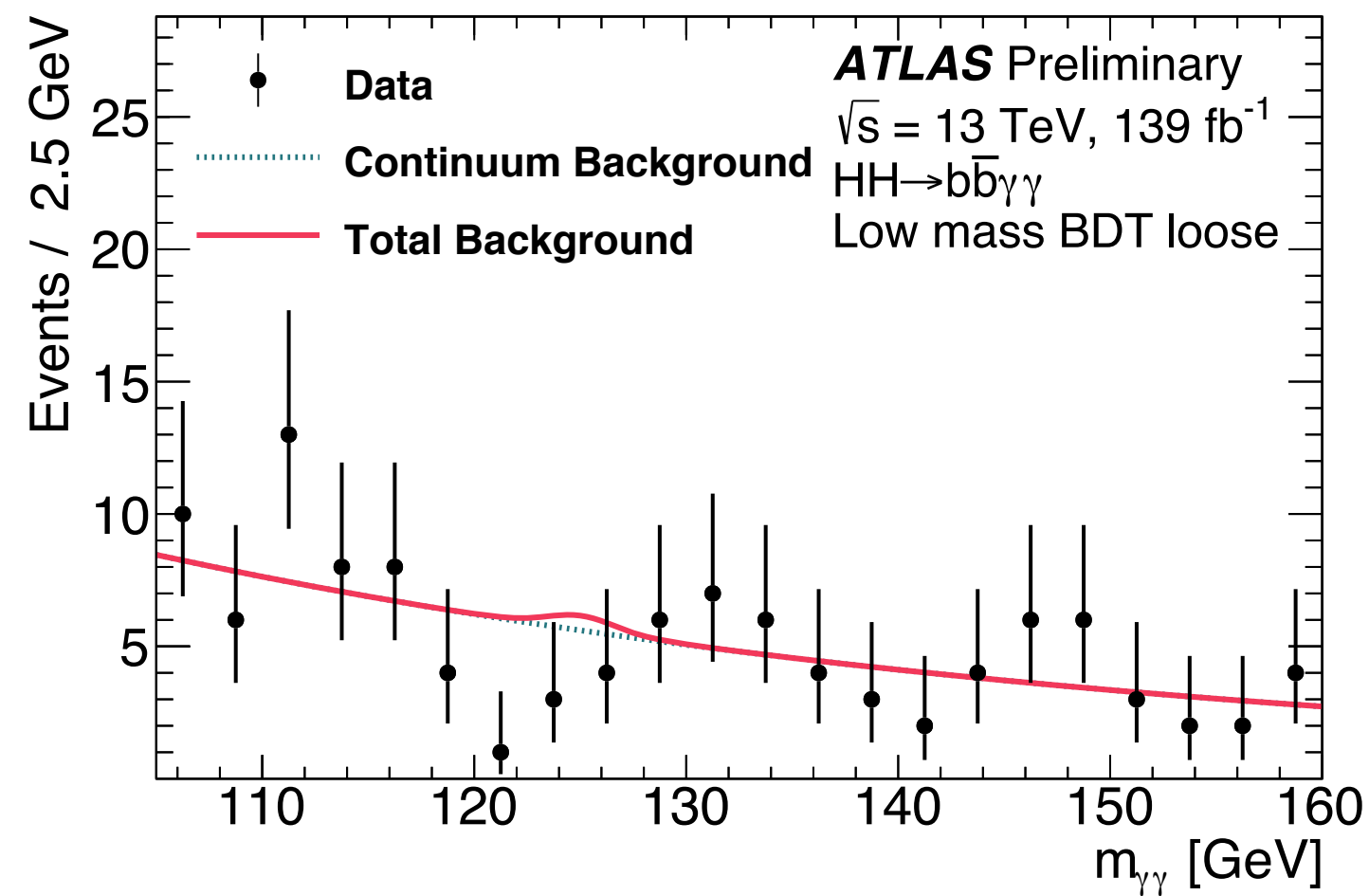


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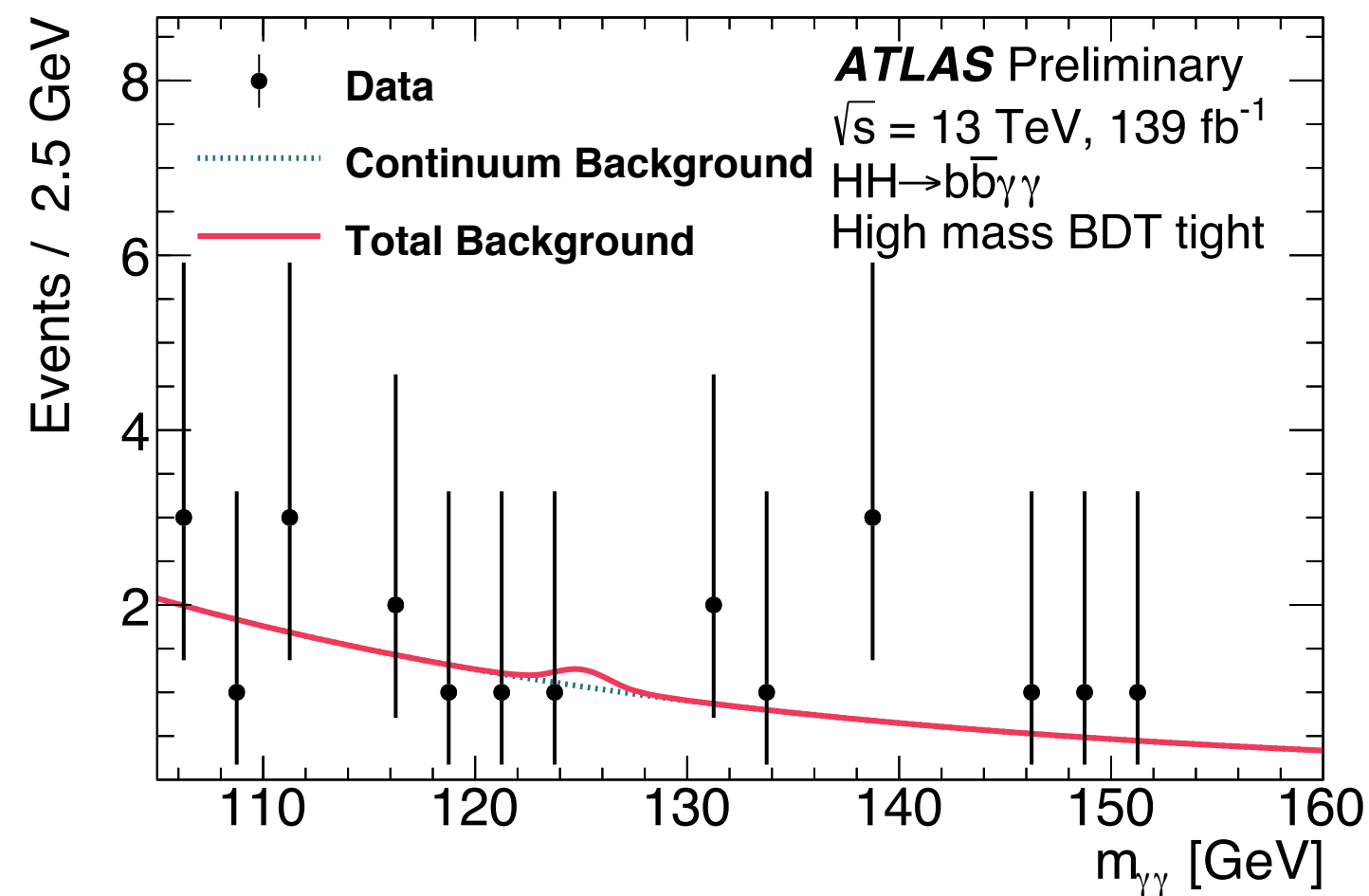
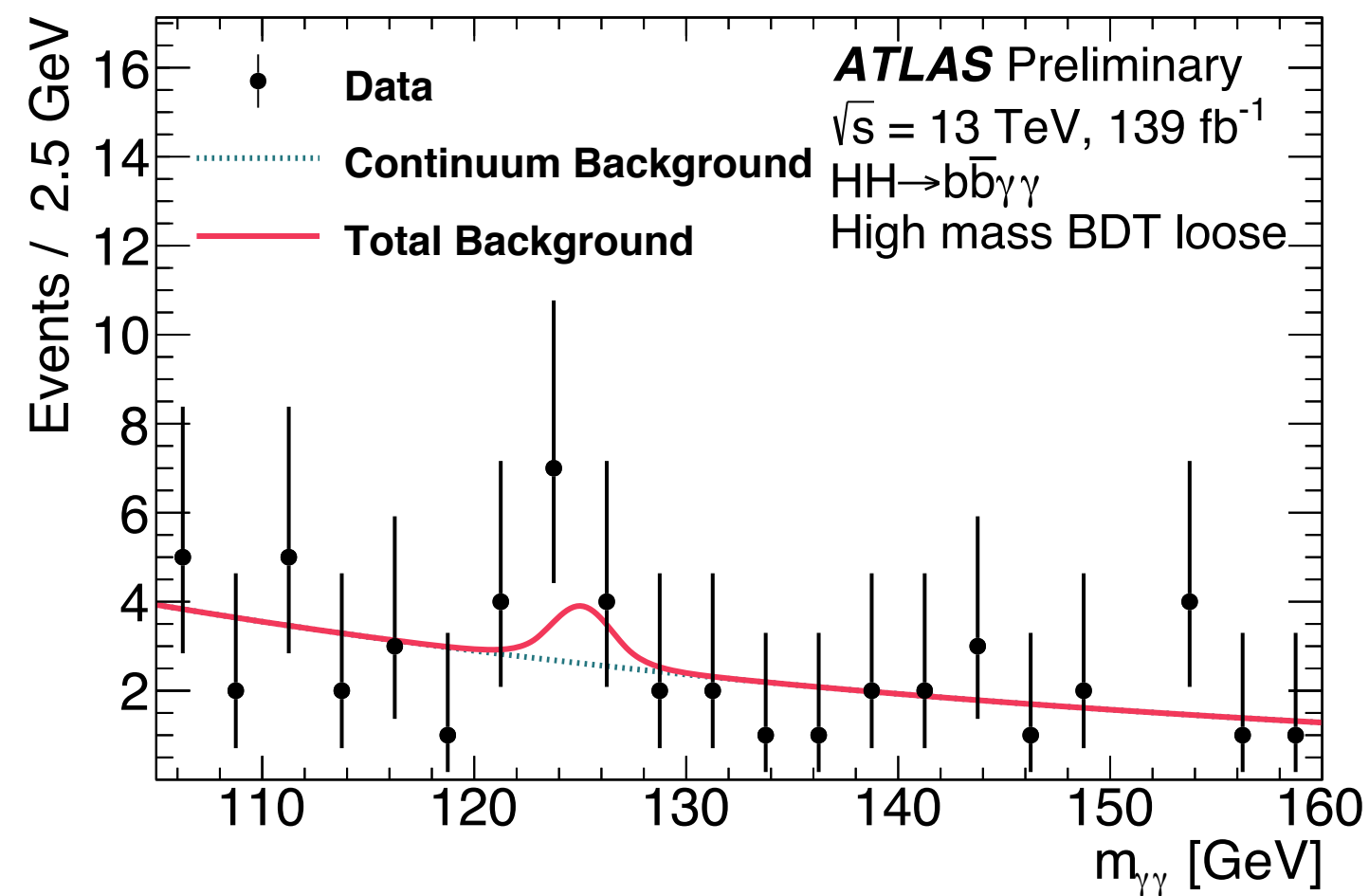
BDT loose

BDT tight

Low mass

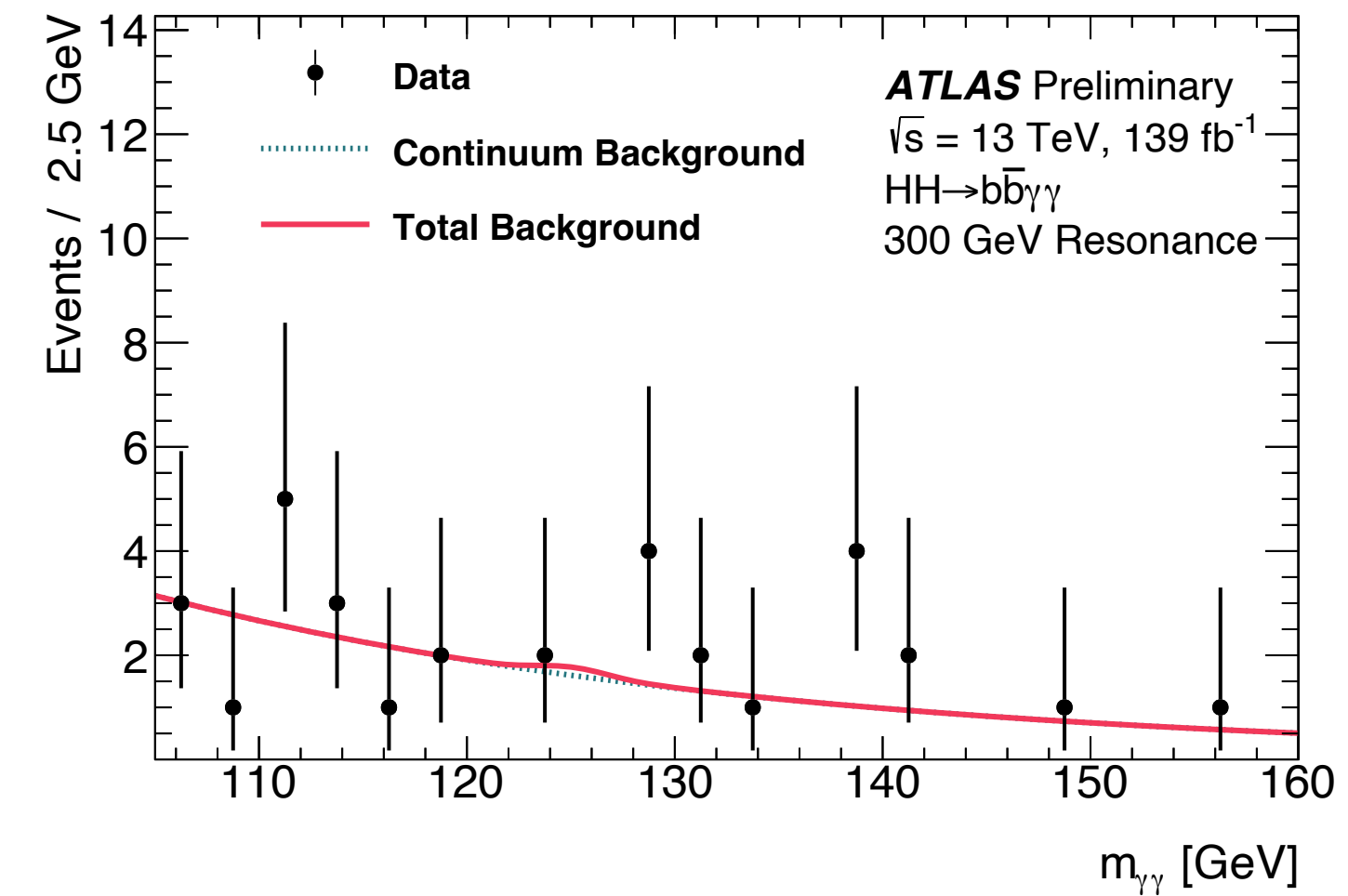


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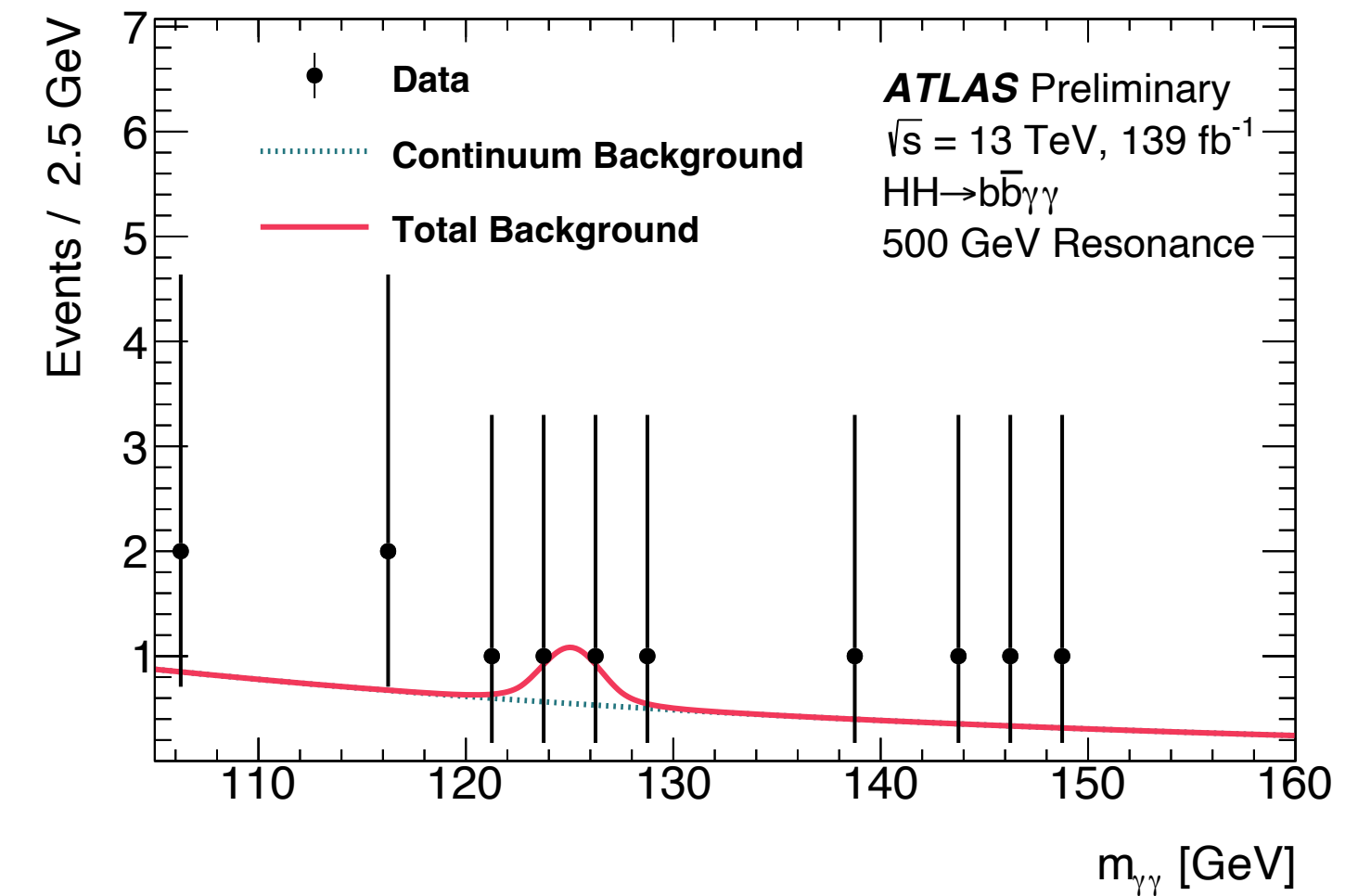


Resonant

$M_x = 300 \text{ GeV}$

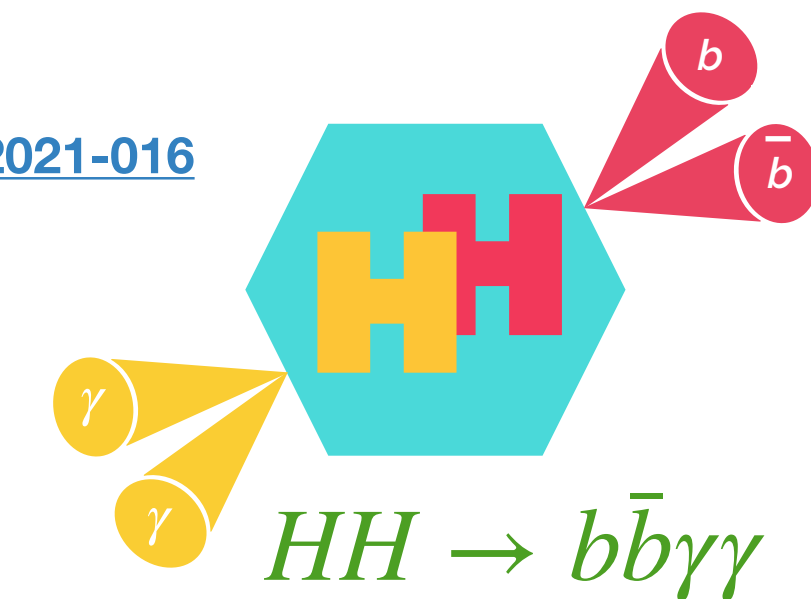


$M_x = 500 \text{ GeV}$



Yields and systematics

ggF: $\mathcal{L} = 139\text{fb}^{-1}$ ATLAS-CONF-2021-016



	High mass BDT tight	High mass BDT loose	Low mass BDT tight	Low mass BDT loose
Continuum background	4.9 ± 1.1	9.5 ± 1.5	3.7 ± 1.0	24.9 ± 2.5
Single Higgs boson background	0.670 ± 0.032	1.57 ± 0.04	0.220 ± 0.016	1.39 ± 0.04
ggF	0.261 ± 0.028	0.44 ± 0.04	0.063 ± 0.014	0.274 ± 0.030
$t\bar{t}H$	0.1929 ± 0.0045	0.491 ± 0.007	0.1074 ± 0.0033	0.742 ± 0.009
ZH	0.142 ± 0.005	0.486 ± 0.010	0.04019 ± 0.0027	0.269 ± 0.007
Rest	0.074 ± 0.012	0.155 ± 0.020	0.008 ± 0.006	0.109 ± 0.016
SM HH signal	0.8753 ± 0.0032	0.3680 ± 0.0020	$(49.4 \pm 0.7) \cdot 10^{-3}$	$(78.7 \pm 0.9) \cdot 10^{-3}$
ggF	0.8626 ± 0.0032	0.3518 ± 0.0020	$(46.1 \pm 0.7) \cdot 10^{-3}$	$(71.8 \pm 0.9) \cdot 10^{-3}$
VBF	0.01266 ± 0.00016	0.01618 ± 0.00018	$(3.22 \pm 0.08) \cdot 10^{-3}$	$(6.923 \pm 0.011) \cdot 10^{-3}$
Alternative $HH(\kappa_\lambda = 10)$ signal	6.36 ± 0.05	3.691 ± 0.038	4.65 ± 0.04	8.64 ± 0.06
Data	2	17	5	14

	$m_X = 300 \text{ GeV}$	$m_X = 500 \text{ GeV}$
Continuum background	5.6 ± 2.4	3.5 ± 2.0
Single Higgs boson background	0.339 ± 0.009	0.398 ± 0.010
SM HH background	$(20.6 \pm 0.5) \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.1932 ± 0.0015
$X \rightarrow HH$ signal	5.771 ± 0.031	5.950 ± 0.026
Data	6	4

Source	Type	Relative impact of the systematic uncertainties in %	
		Non-resonant analysis HH	Resonant analysis $m_X = 300 \text{ GeV}$
Experimental			
Photon energy scale	Norm. + Shape	5.2	2.7
Photon energy resolution	Norm. + Shape	1.8	1.6
Flavor tagging	Normalization	0.5	< 0.5
Theoretical			
Heavy flavor content	Normalization	1.5	< 0.5
Higgs boson mass	Norm. + Shape	1.8	< 0.5
PDF+ α_s	Normalization	0.7	< 0.5
Spurious signal	Normalization	5.5	5.4

Comparison to CMS



$\frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow HH)}{\sigma_{SM}}$ at 13 TeV		Partial Run 2 (2015-16)		Full Run 2 (2015-18)	
		Obs	Exp	Obs	Exp
$HH \rightarrow bbyy$	ATLAS	20.3	26	4.1	5.5
	CMS	23.6	18.8	7.7	5.2
$HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$	ATLAS	12.5	15	4.7	3.9
	CMS	31.4	25.1		
$HH \rightarrow bbbb$	ATLAS	12.9	21		
	CMS	74.6	36.9	3.6	7.3
Combination	ATLAS	6.9	10	2.8	2.8
	CMS	22.2	12.8		

Limit on κ_λ at 95% C.L.		Obs	Exp
$HH \rightarrow bbyy$	ATLAS	-1.5 – 6.7	-2.4 – 7.7
	CMS	-3.3 – 8.5	-2.5 – 8.2
$HH \rightarrow bbbb$	ATLAS		
	CMS	-2.3 – 9.4	-5.0 – 12.0
Combination <i>partial Run 2</i>	ATLAS	-5.0 – 12.0	-5.8 – 12.0
	CMS	-11.8 – 18.8	-7.1 – 13.6
<i>Full Run 2</i>	ATLAS	-1.0 – 6.6	-1.2 – 7.2