

# Let's Discover Higgs Boson Pairs at High Luminosity LHC

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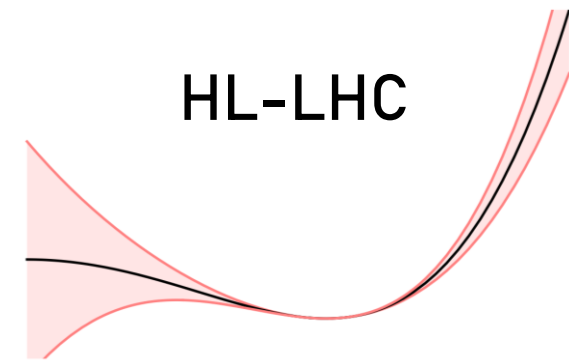
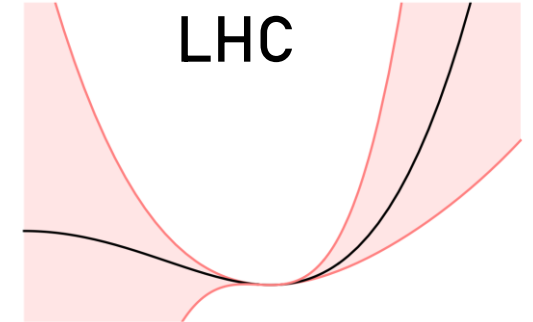
*HH* A CENTRAL PIECE  
IN PHYSICS

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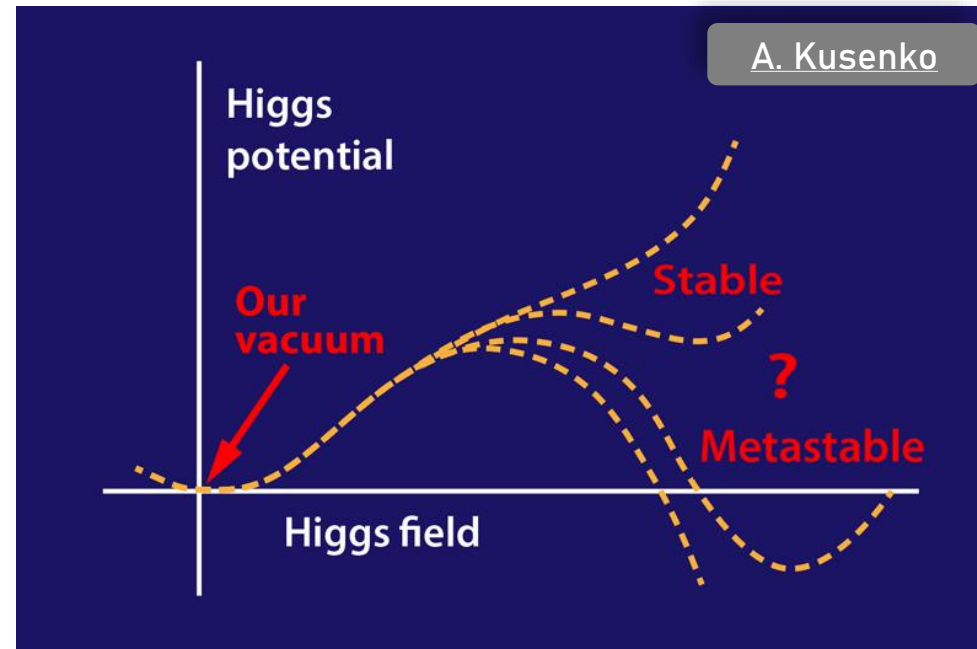
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Our univers seems to be metastable according LHC data

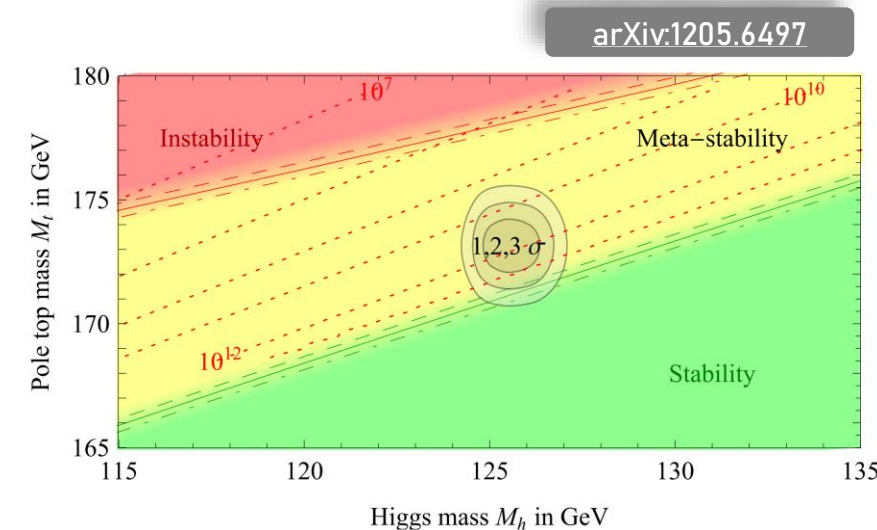
Cosmology predict that our univers have to be stable

[arXiv: 0710.2484](https://arxiv.org/abs/0710.2484)

*Something should fix this stability problem*



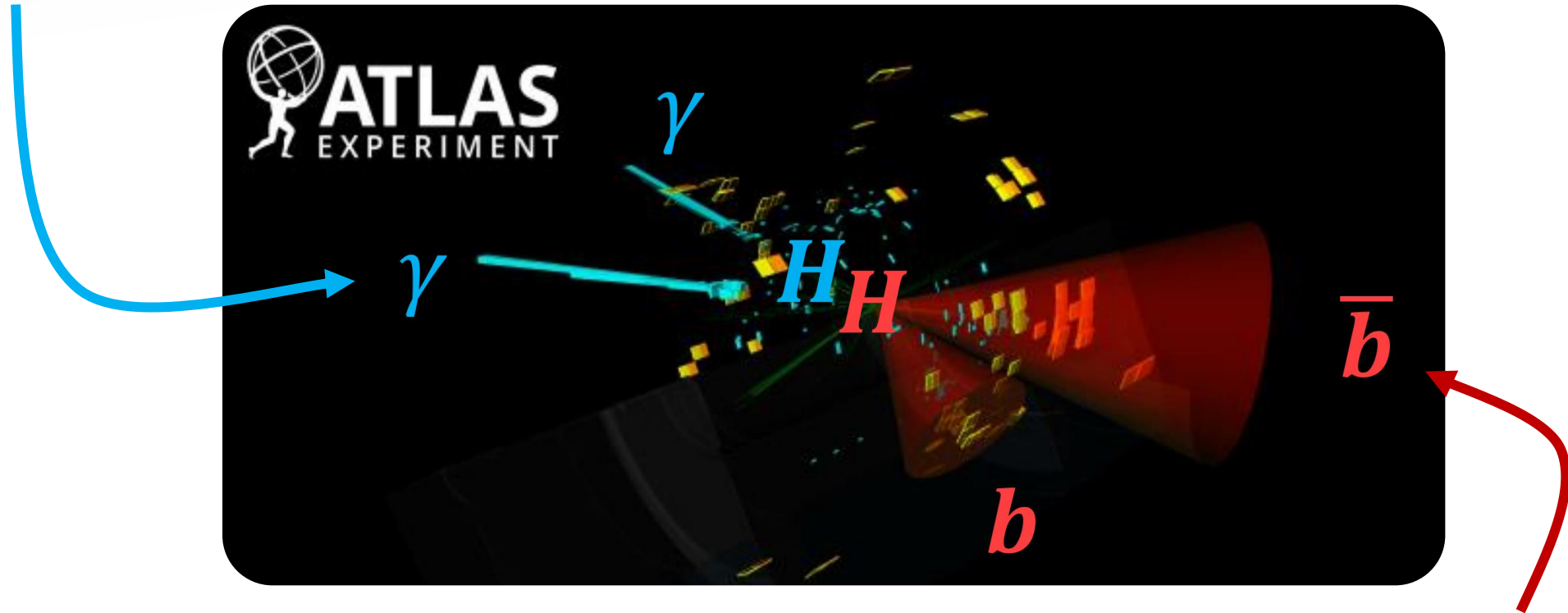
Clue for Beyond the Standard Model physics



**THE POWER OF**  
 *$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$*

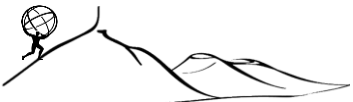
# $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ CHANNEL

- + Excellent resolution ( $m_{\gamma\gamma} \sim 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Low branching ratio



- Low resolution ( $m_{b\bar{b}} \sim 12.7 \text{ GeV}$ )
- + High branching ratio

Only 0.2%  $HH$  produced decay into  
2 photons & 2 b quarks



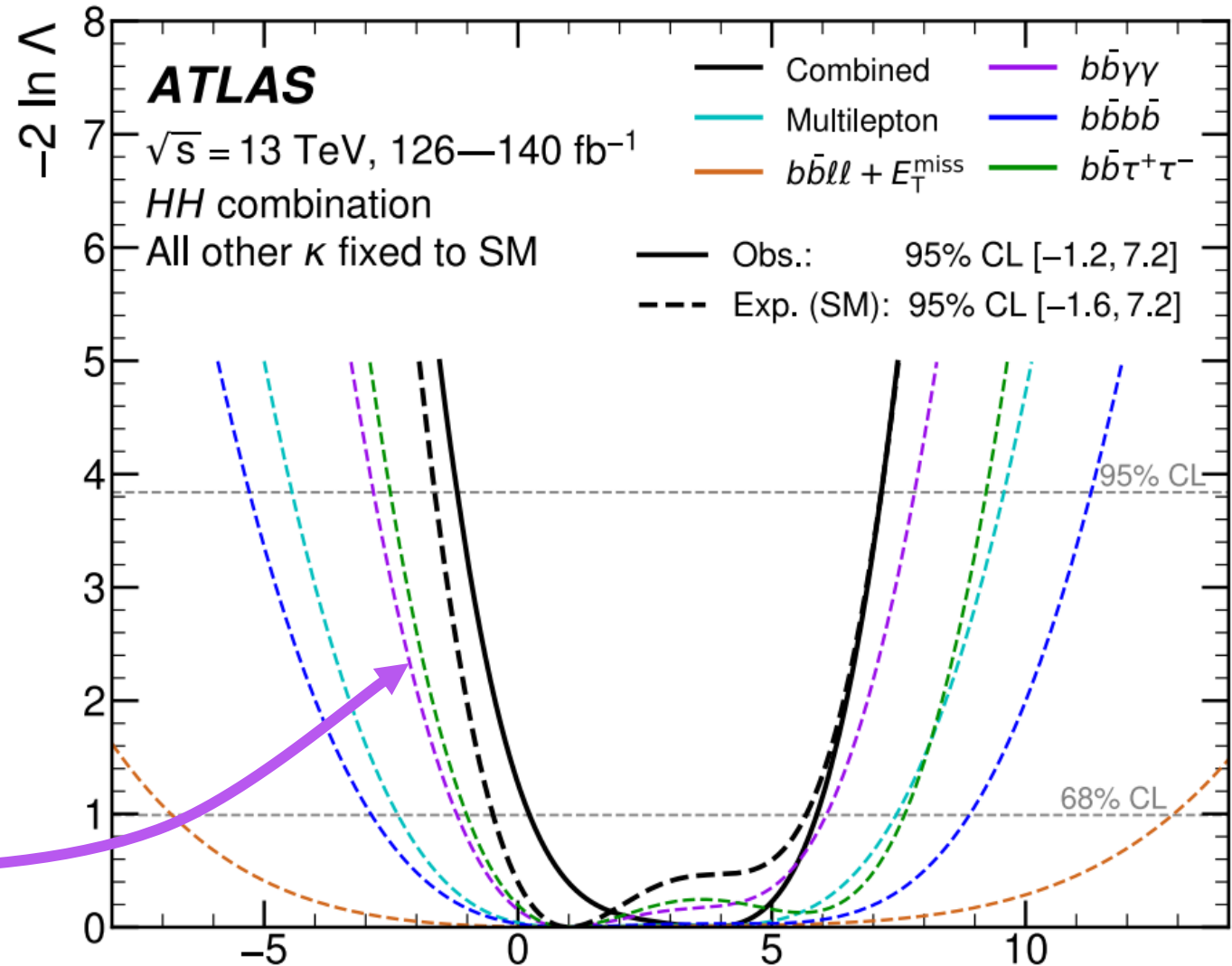
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Source

... but still constrains  $\kappa_\lambda$  the most

Best combined results on  $\kappa_\lambda$  today  
 $[-1.2, 7.2]$  at 95% CL

$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  channel





# **THE HIGH-LUMINOSITY PROGRAM FOR ATLAS**

# ACHIEVE × 10 MORE

- **Mainly designed to collect more data**

Trigger rate: 100kHz → 1MHz

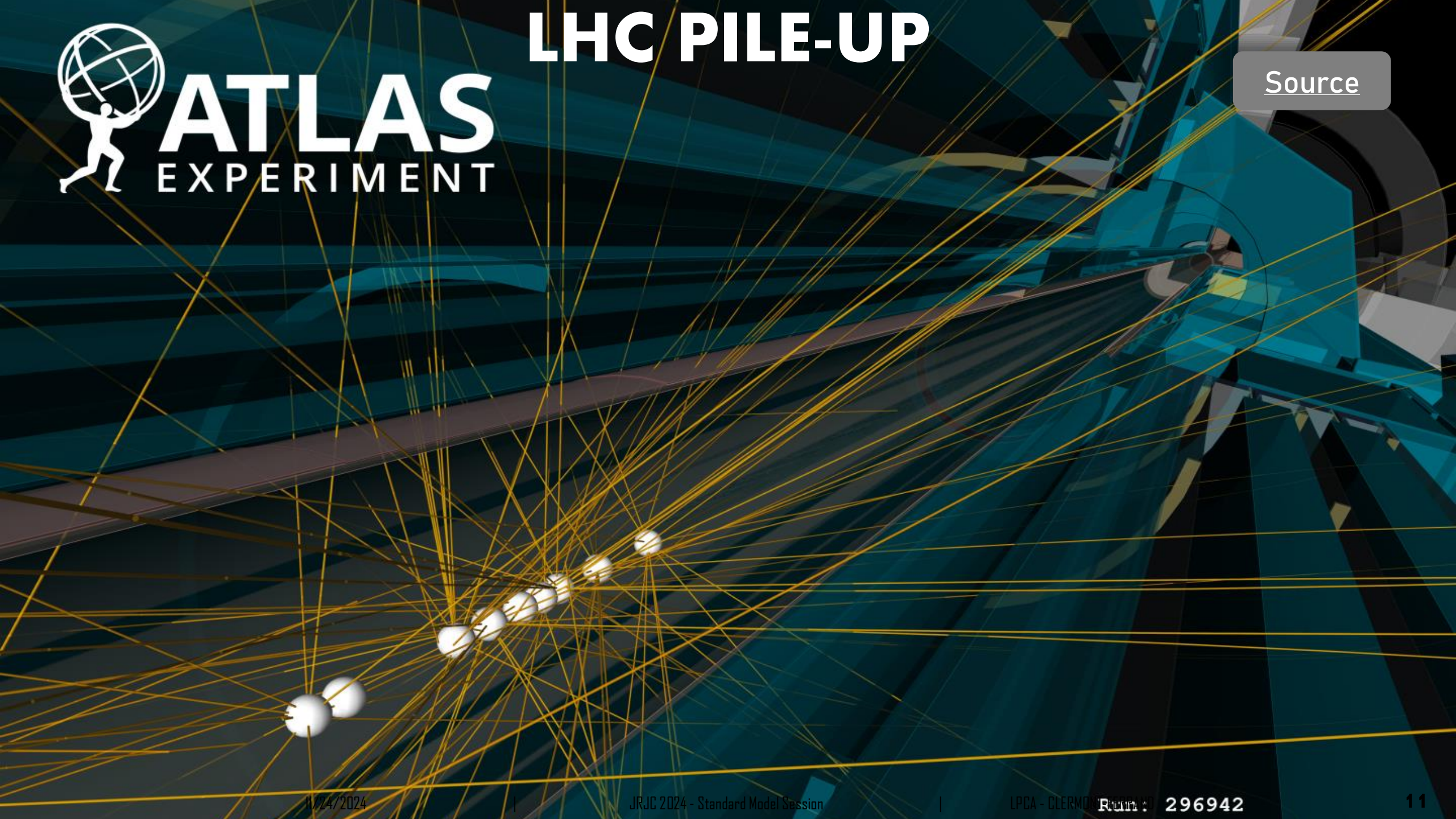
Higher detection area: extend to  $|\eta| < 4$

- **With a certain price**

Higher irradiations: kGy → MGy

Higher pile-up: 30 → 200 collisions per bunch crossing

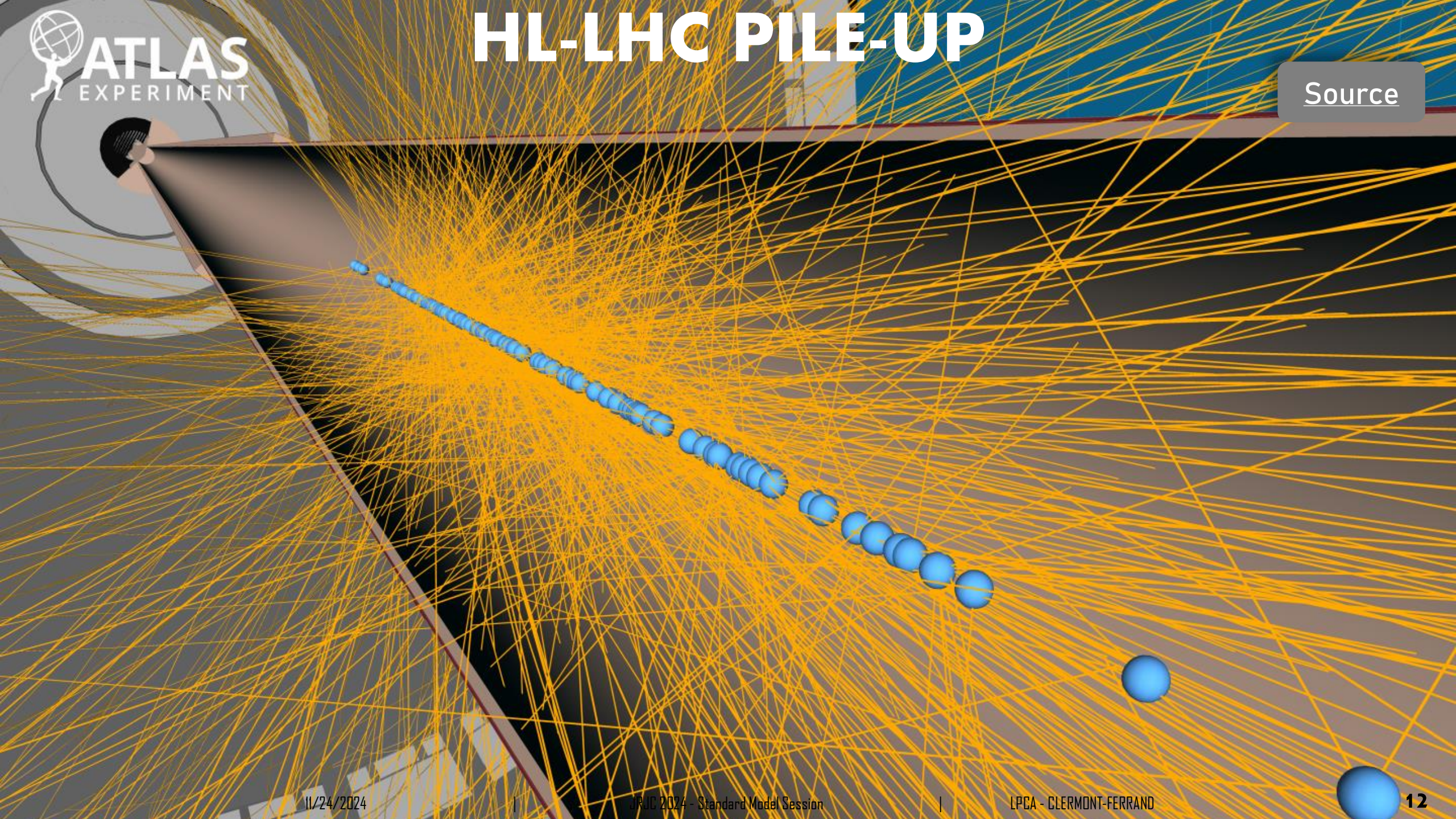






# HL-LHC PILE-UP

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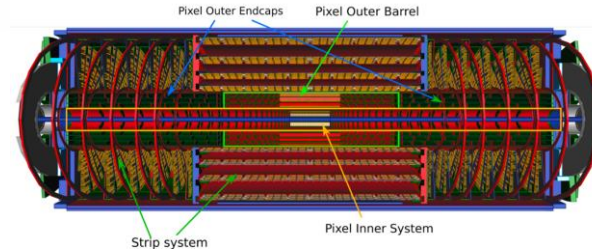




# WITH THE SAME PERFORMANCES (AT LEAST...)

- **ITk: New tracking**

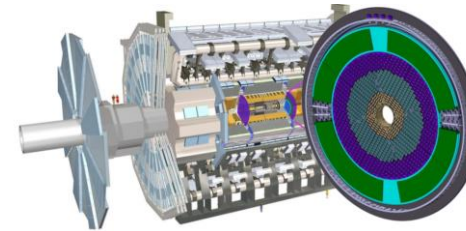
- $\geq 13$  hits in central region
- 1.4 G pixels
- $\times 2$  improvement in resolution for primary vertices



ITk TDR

- **HGTD: Timing information enter in ATLAS**

- 50 ps resolution per hit to separate collimated tracks
- Target improvements on forward objects



HGTD TDR

- **Trigger & DAQ**

- Electronics/infrastructure update to handle higher flux

TDAQ TDR

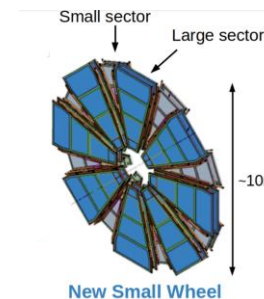
- **Calorimeters**

- New electronics (FPGA, power supplies, optical links)

Tile Calorimeters TDR  
LAr TDR

- **Muon spectrometer**

- Completely new detector (New Small Wheel, installed)
- Improve the objects reconstruction



Muon Spectrometer TDR



# WHAT WE PLAN TO OBSERVE

# PROJECTION IN A NUTSHELL

- **Starting point**

- Run 2  $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  Legacy search results ([JHEP 01 \(2024\) 066](#))

- **Insert coefficients**

Scale cross-sections

Higher energy for collisions

$13 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow 14 \text{ TeV}$

Scale integrated luminosity

3000  $fb^{-1}$  is planned

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}}{140 \text{ fb}^{-1}}$$

Scale systematics unc.

Based on different scenarios

*Run 2 syst./Theory halved*  
*Baseline/No syst.*

- **Estimate parameters of interest**

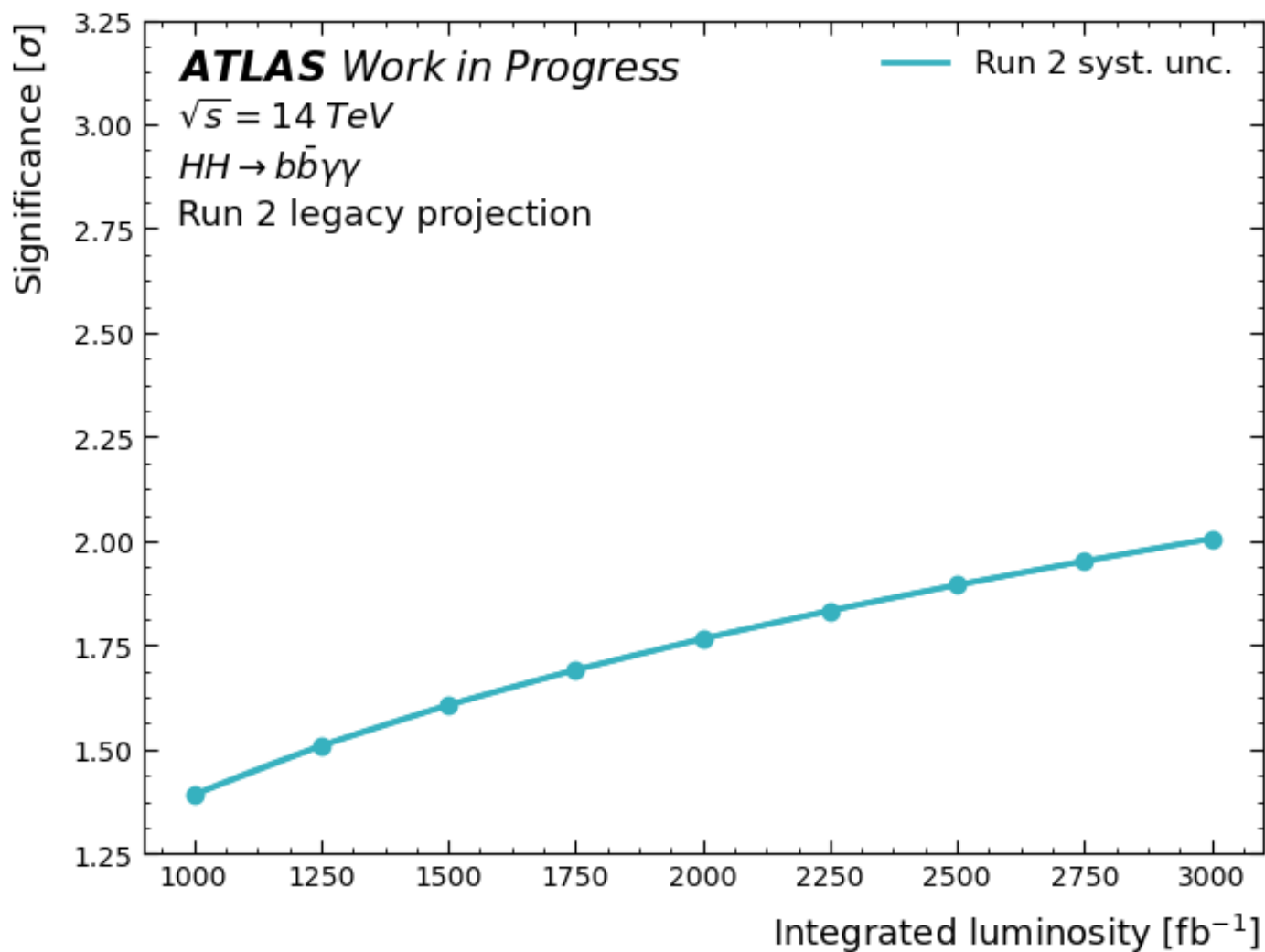
- Couplings modifiers (e.g. Higgs self-coupling) with likelihood scans
- Cross-section & signal strength, with an upper limit (not yet observed)
- Significance w.r.t. to background-only hypothesis



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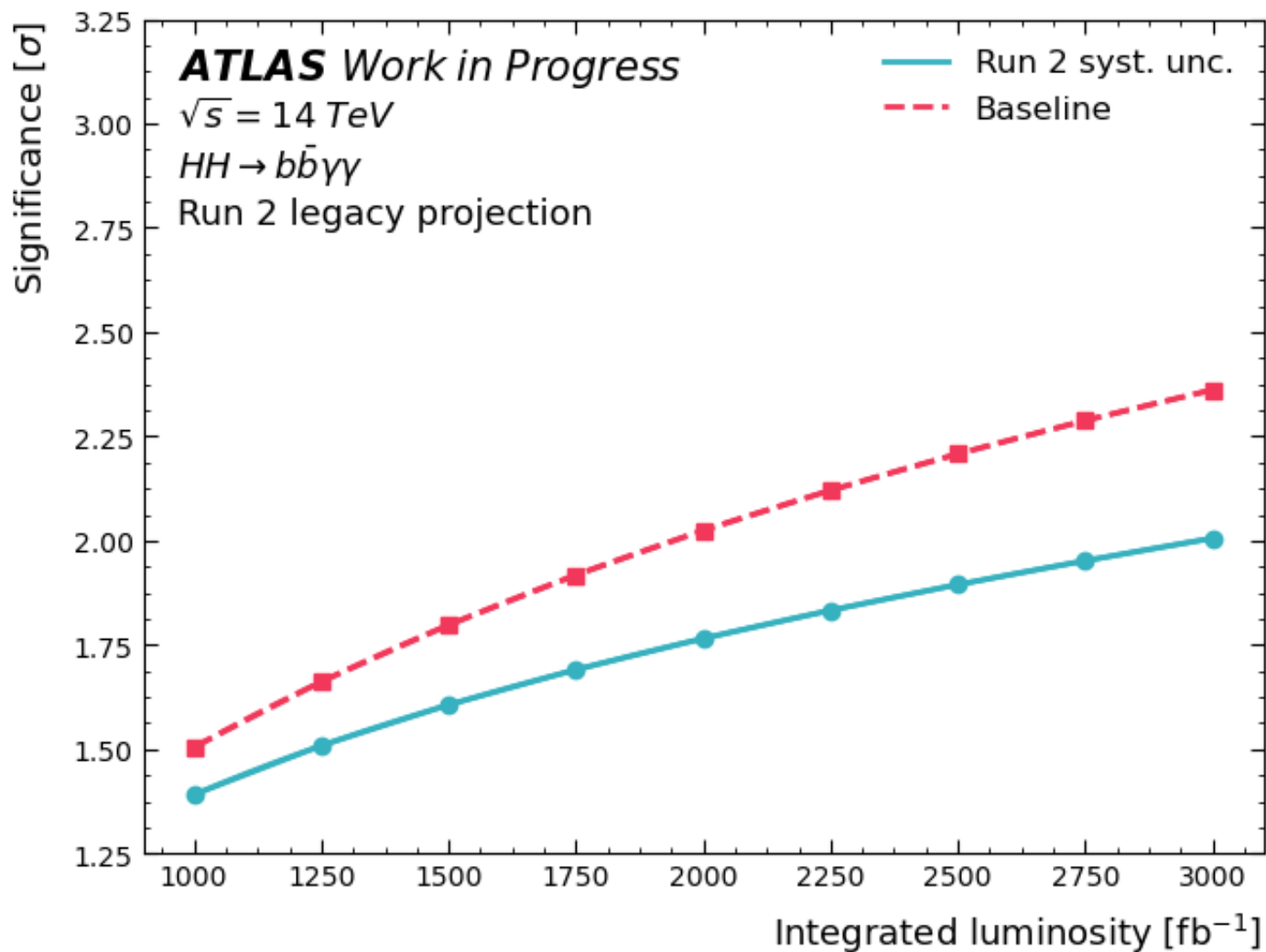




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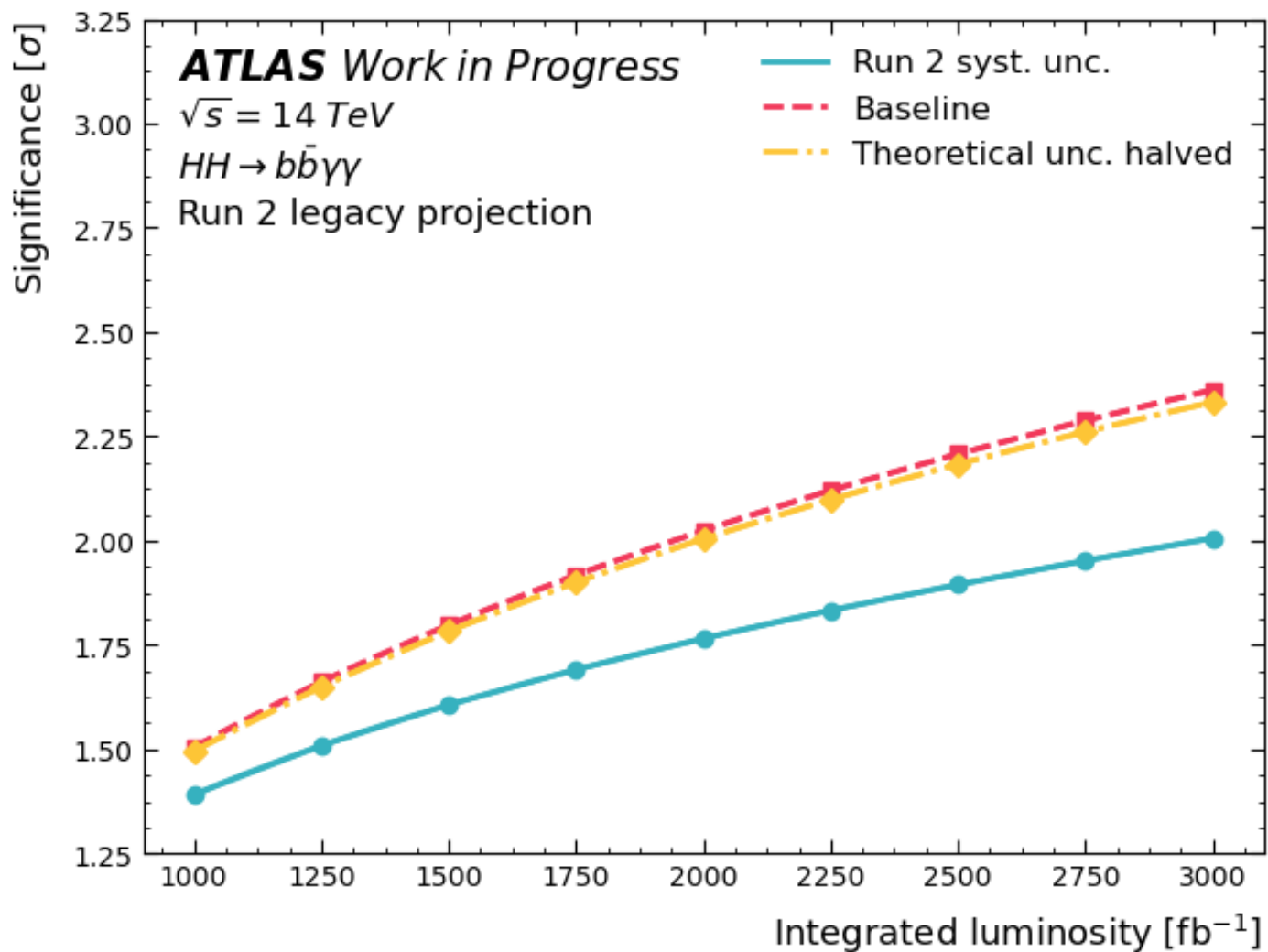
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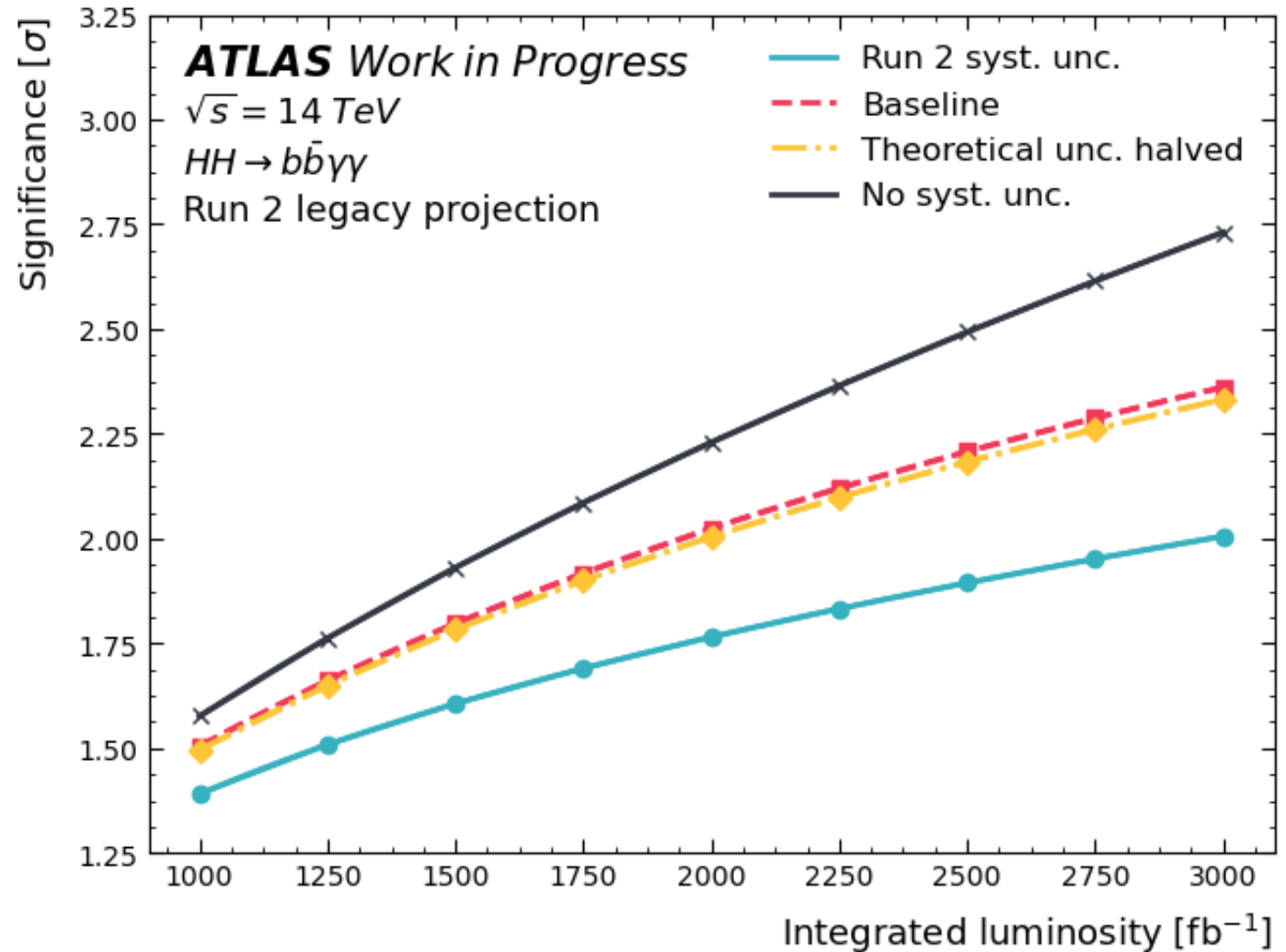
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- **36 events might be detected**

- Under SM hypothesis

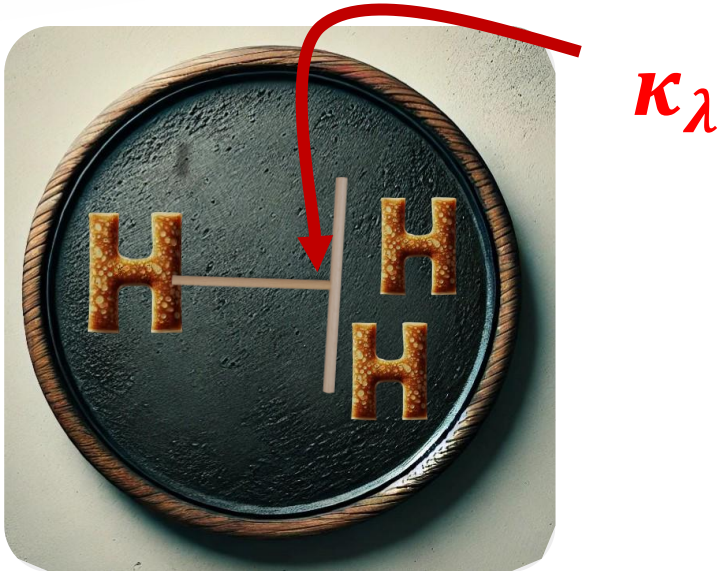
2.7  $\sigma$  significance as target for the end of HL-LHC  
*Near the 3 $\sigma$  ...*



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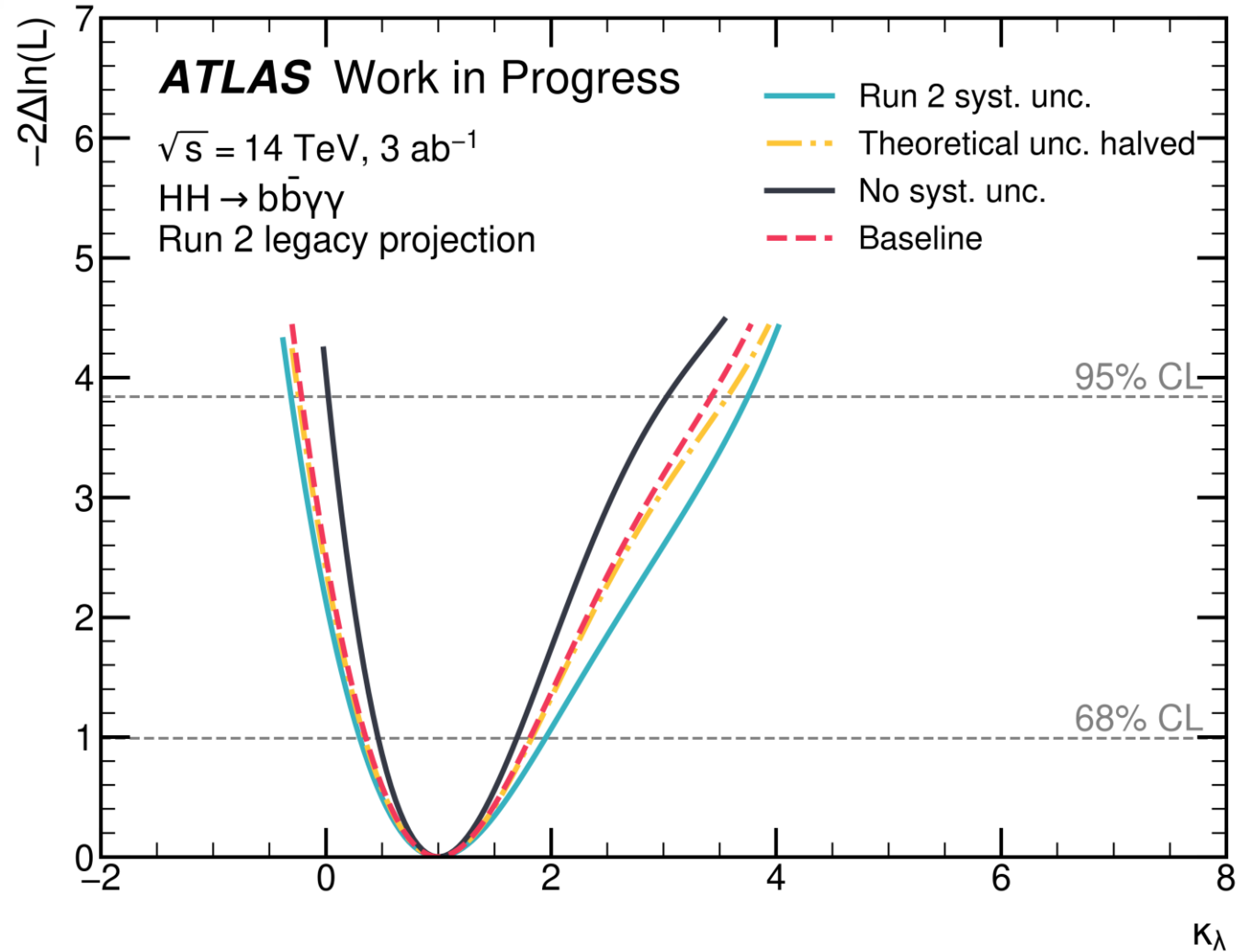
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- Expected HL-LHC

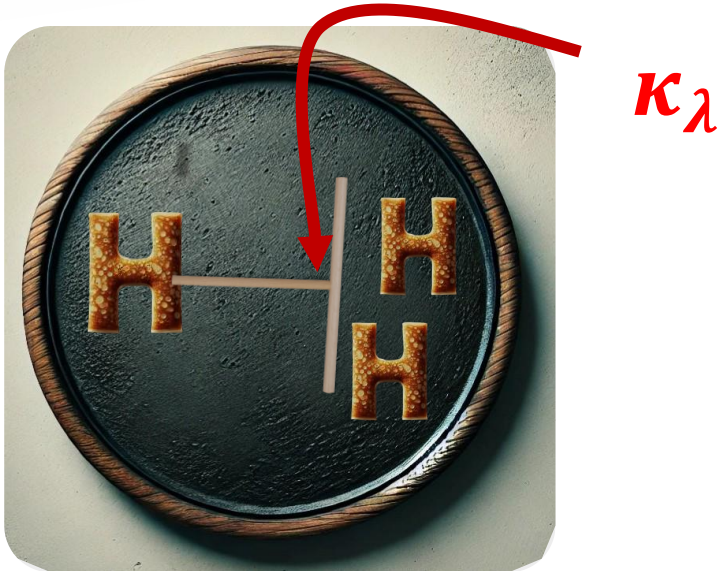
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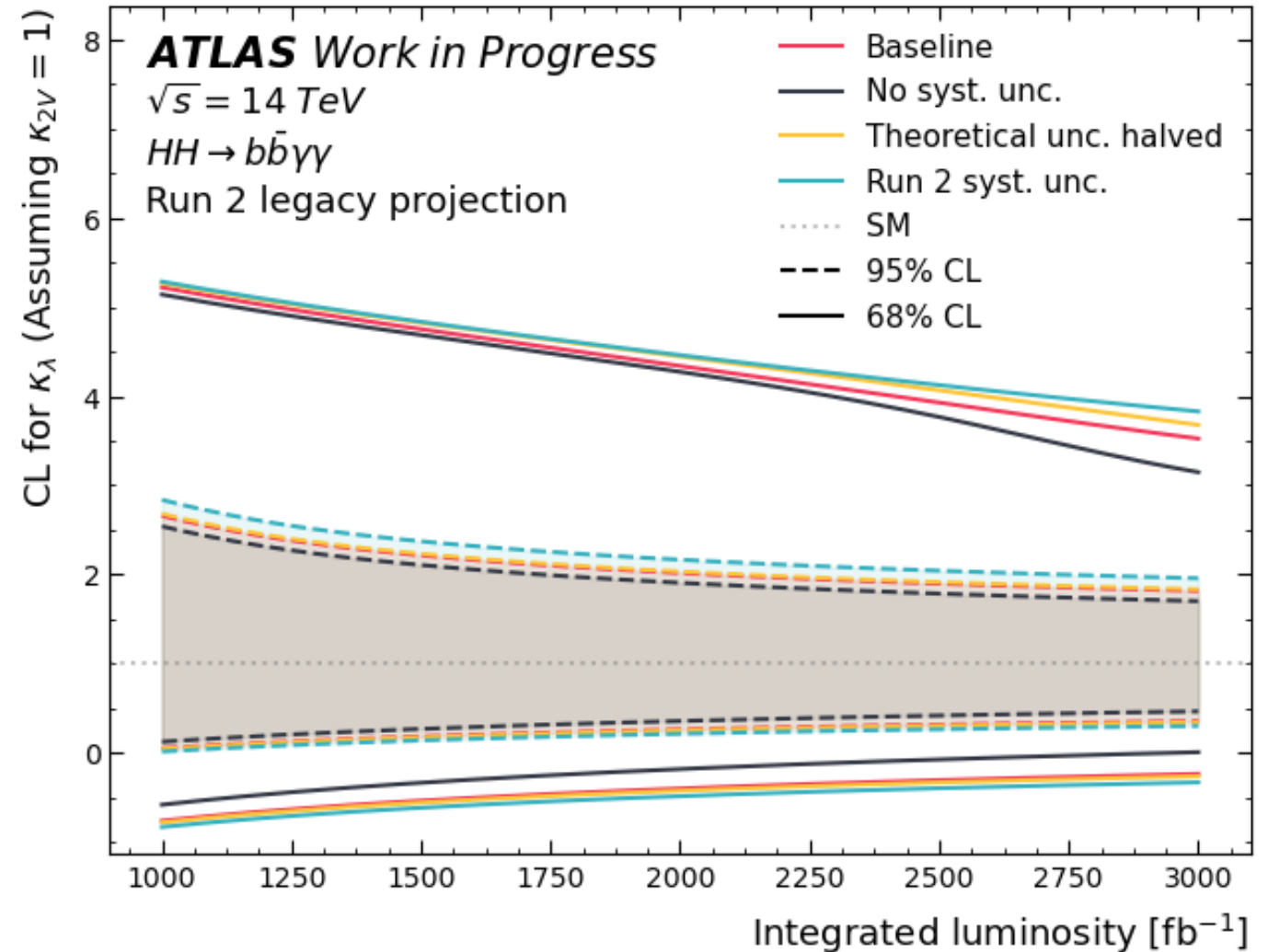
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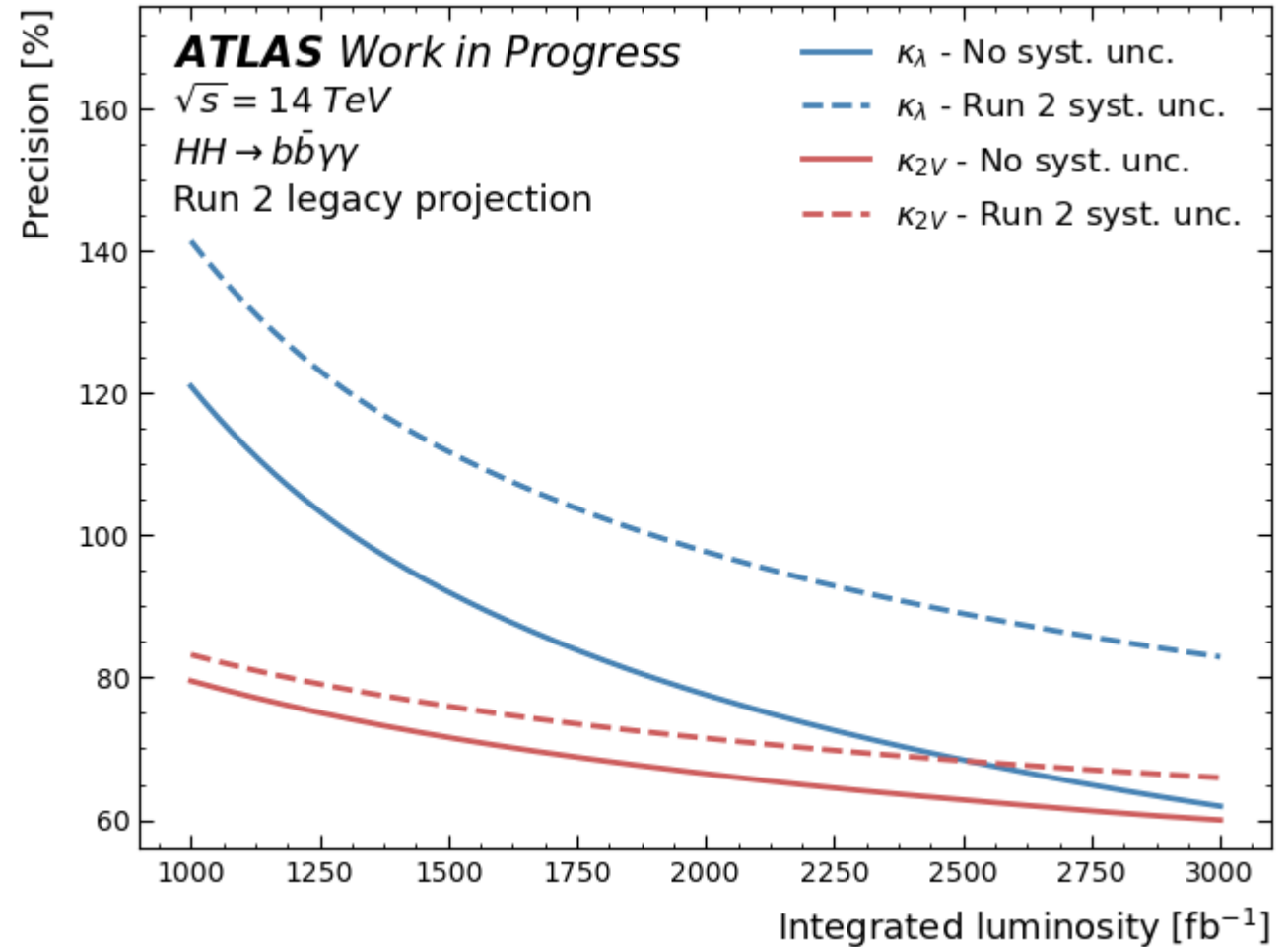


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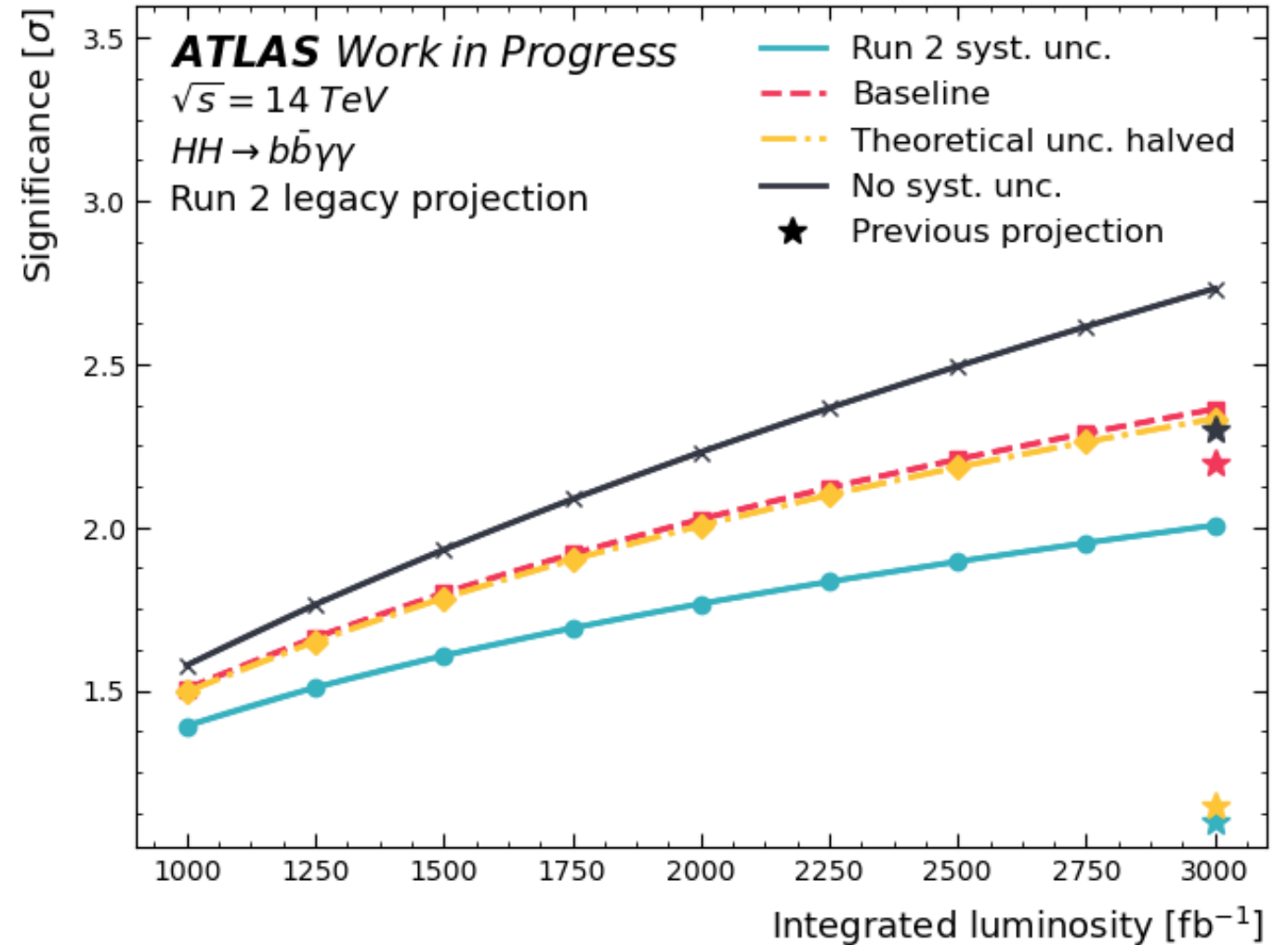
- Size of the confidence level interval from likelihood scan
- Then, divided by 2

63% precision on  $\kappa_\lambda$   
3000  $fb^{-1}$



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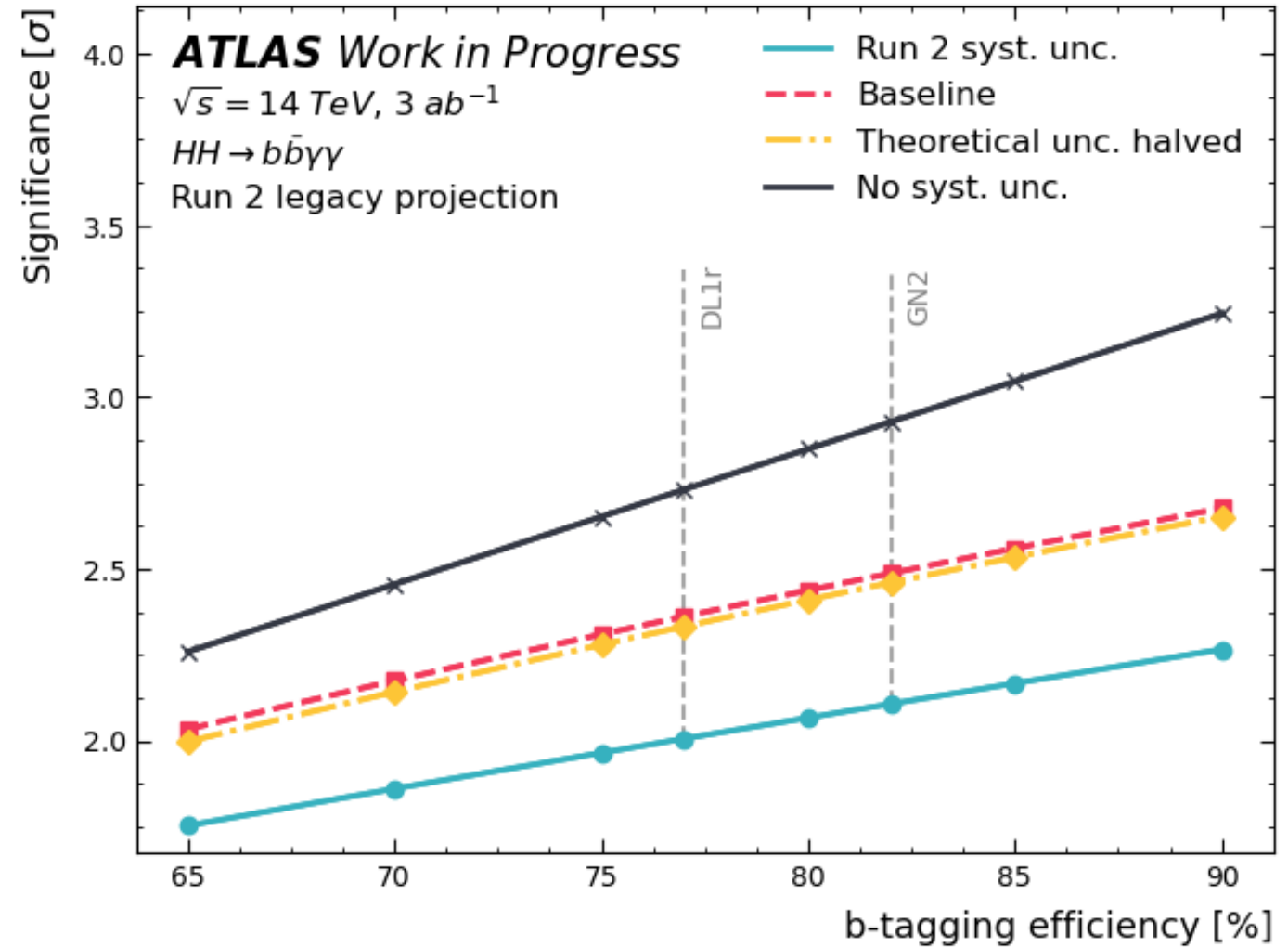
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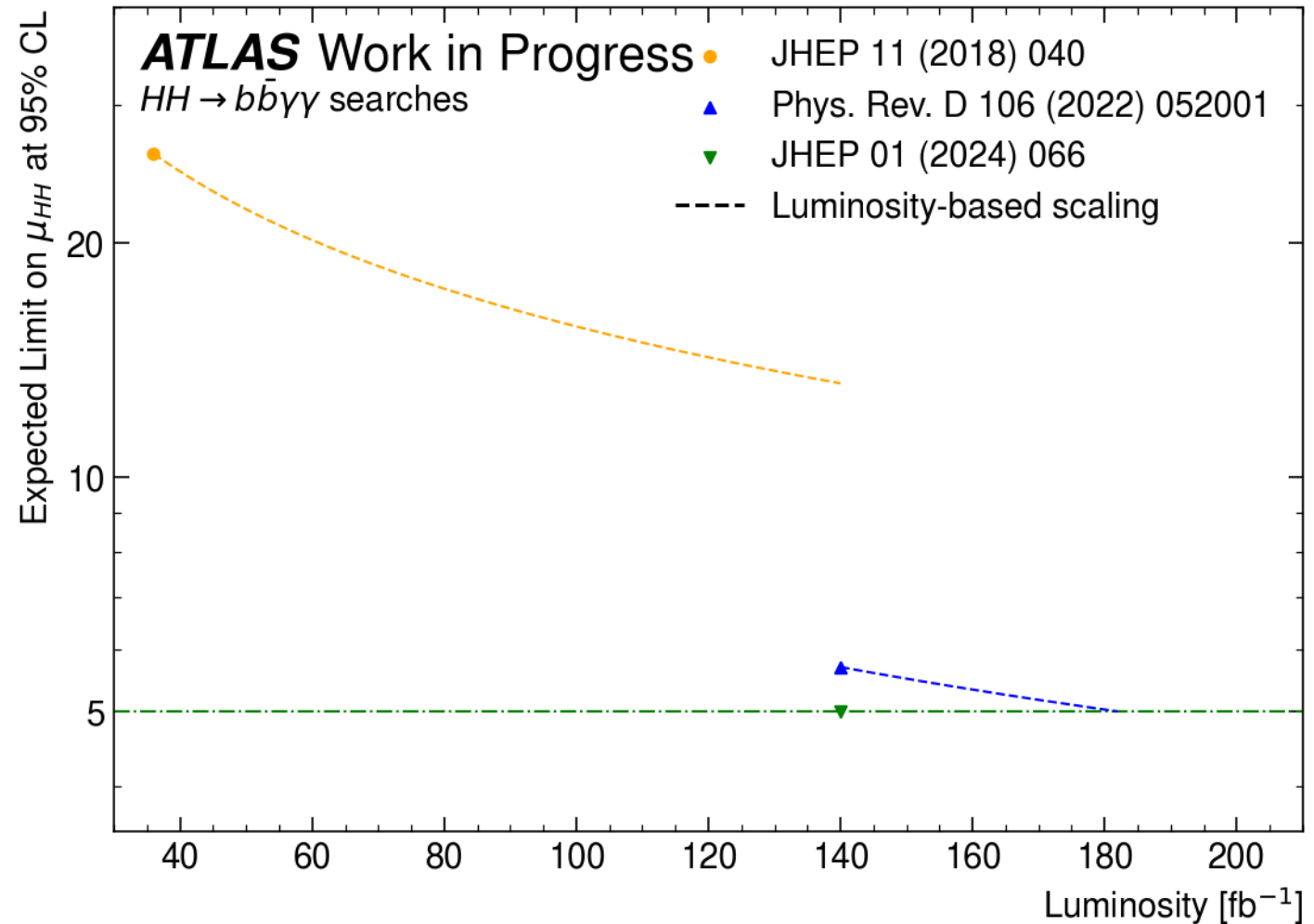
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High development of ML  
technics

Credit to L. Santi



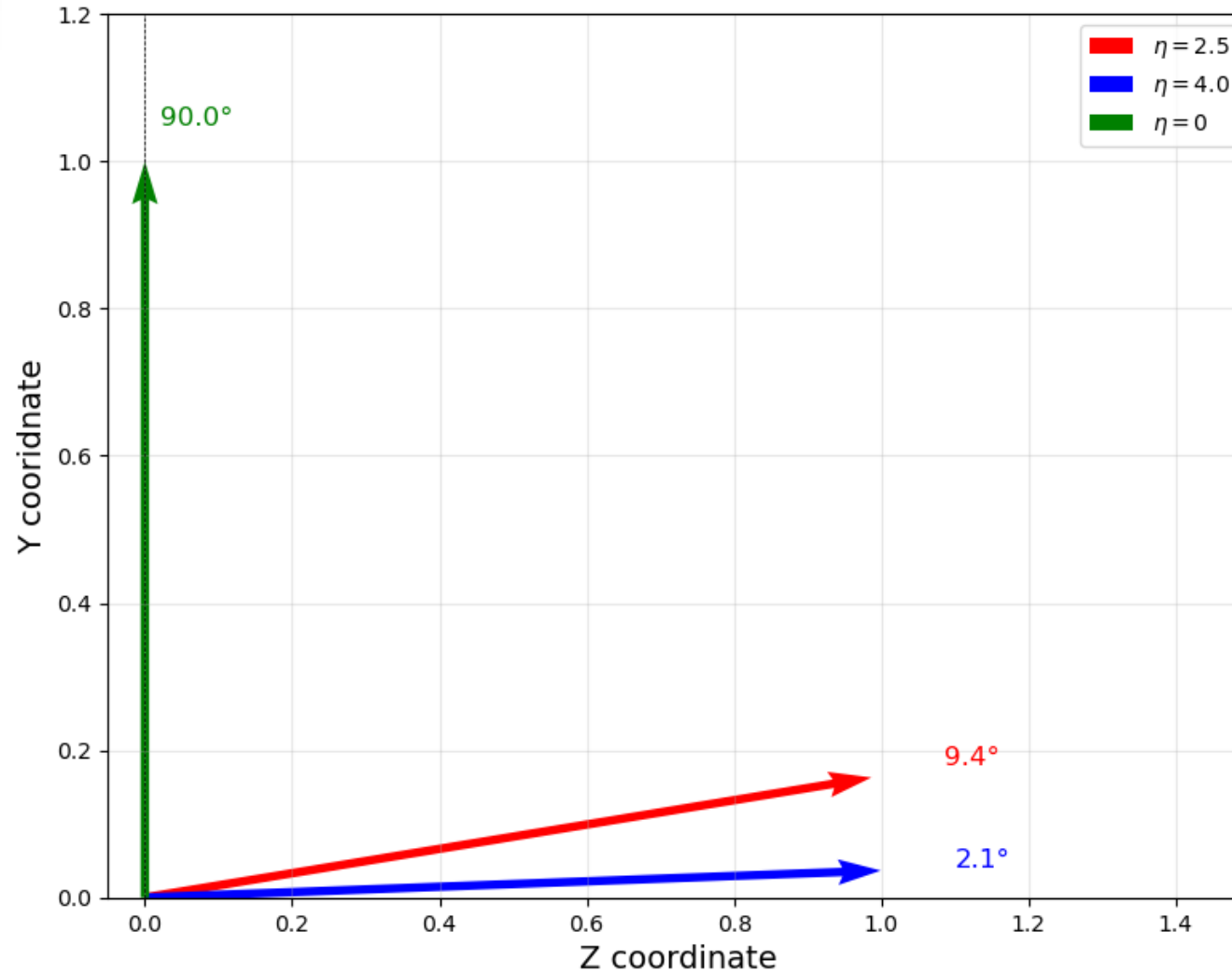
# UNSUBSTANTIATED CONCLUSION

- **Higgs self-coupling is probably the most important place to look for New Physics**
- **Di-Higgs will be discovered at High-Luminosity LHC**
  - At least by combining with CMS + other channels ( $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ ,  $b\bar{b}\tau\tau$ ,  $ML$ , ...)
- **Higgs self-coupling will be constrained as never before**
  - Big chance that  $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  has the leading role

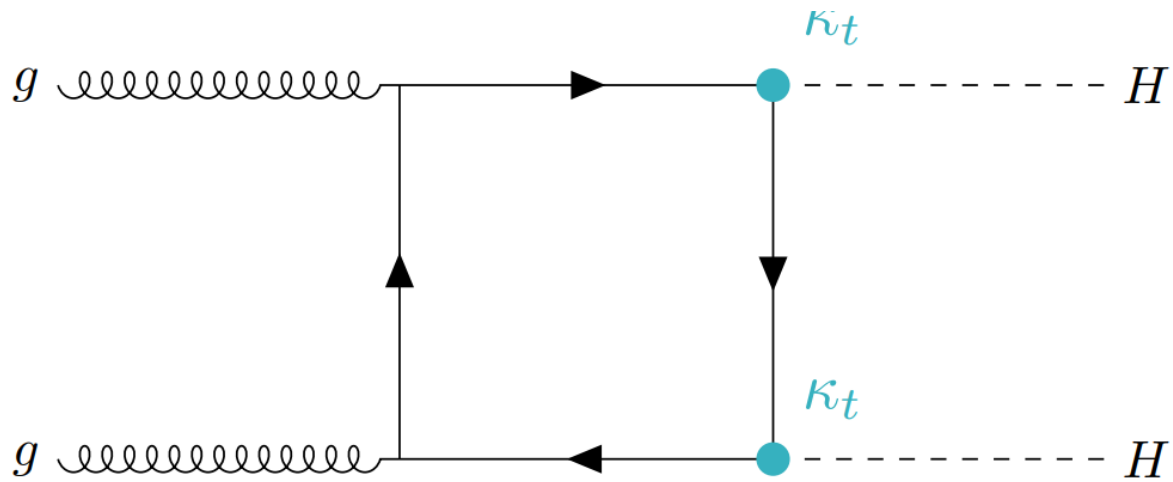
**HH** search is overall a global effort between many channels and experiments to make projections failed

**BACKUP**

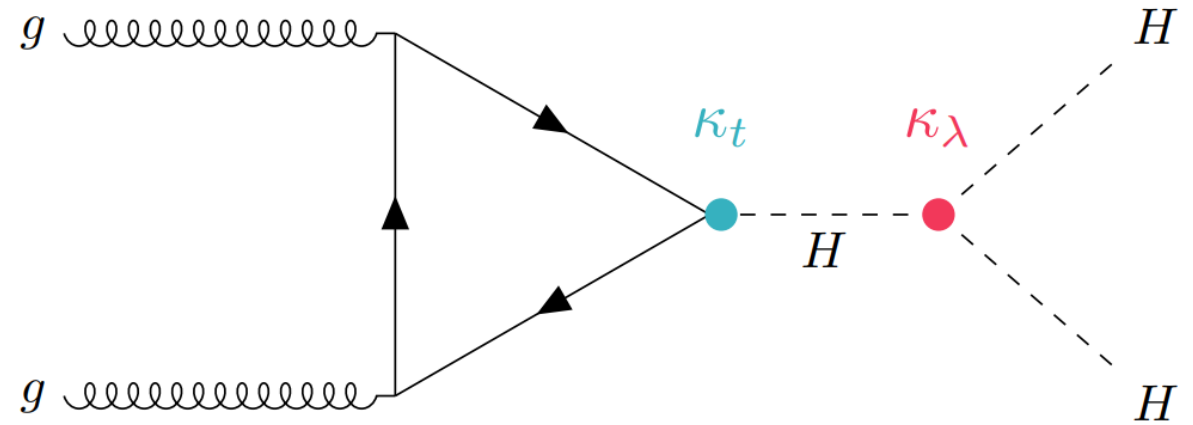
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# HH DIAGRAMS



(a) Box Diagram



(b) Trilinear Coupling

