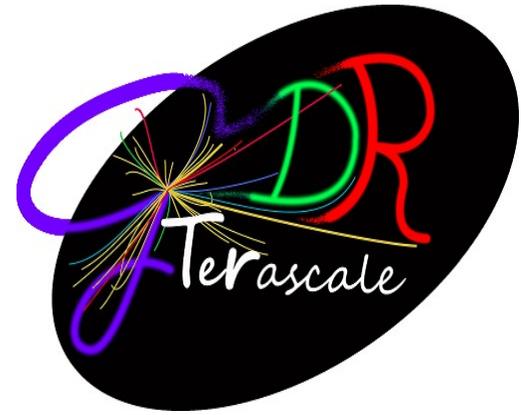




# Search for New Scalar Diphoton Resonances in ATLAS

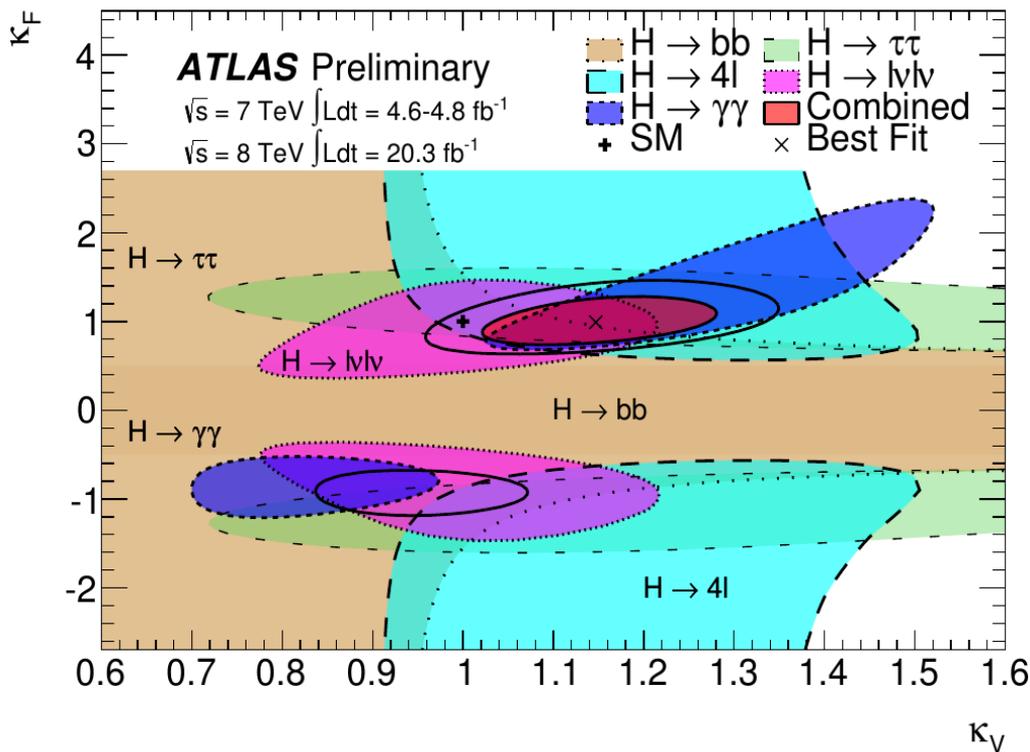
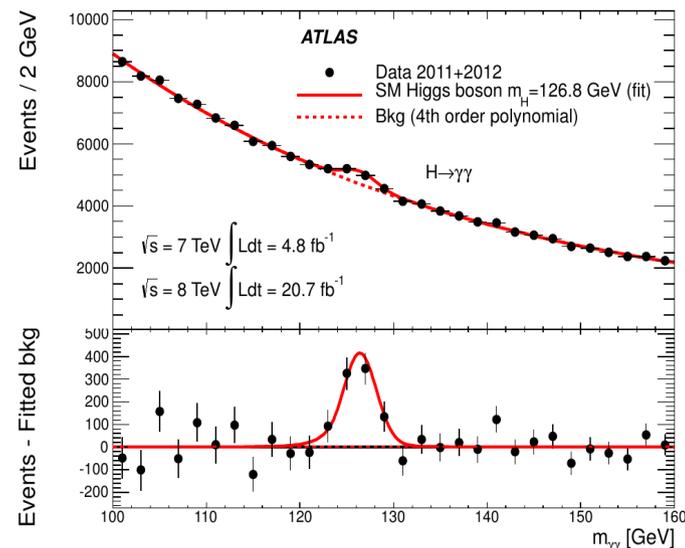
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# Introduction

One of the main question for ATLAS and CMS today: is **the Higgs boson “just” the SM one, or is there something else ?**

- Powerful probes through Higgs properties but so far fully compatible with SM
- **Alternative:** Search directly for BSM signals



**ATLAS Prelim.**  
 $m_H = 125.5 \text{ GeV}$

|   | $\sigma(\text{stat.})$<br>$\sigma(\text{theory})$              | $\sigma(\text{stat.})$<br>$\sigma(\text{sys inc.})$<br>$\sigma(\text{theory})$ | Total uncertainty<br>$\pm 1\sigma$ on $\mu$ |
|---|--|--|---|
| $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$<br>$\mu = 1.57^{+0.33}_{-0.28}$                                | $+0.23$<br>$-0.22$<br>$+0.17$<br>$-0.12$                       |  |   |
| $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$<br>$\mu = 1.44^{+0.40}_{-0.35}$                         | $+0.35$<br>$-0.32$<br>$+0.20$<br>$-0.13$<br>$+0.17$<br>$-0.10$ |  |   |
| $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$<br>$\mu = 1.00^{+0.32}_{-0.29}$                  | $+0.21$<br>$-0.21$<br>$+0.24$<br>$-0.19$<br>$+0.16$<br>$-0.08$ |  |   |
| <b>Combined</b><br>$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, ZZ^*, WW^*$<br>$\mu = 1.35^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$ | $+0.14$<br>$-0.14$<br>$+0.16$<br>$-0.14$<br>$+0.13$<br>$-0.11$ |  |   |
| $W, Z H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$<br>$\mu = 0.2^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$                                  | $\pm 0.5$<br>$\pm 0.4$<br>$< 0.1$                              |  |   |
| $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (8 TeV data only)<br>$\mu = 1.4^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$                     | $+0.3$<br>$-0.3$<br>$+0.4$<br>$-0.3$<br>$+0.2$<br>$-0.1$       |  |   |
| <b>Combined</b><br>$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}, \tau\tau$<br>$\mu = 1.09^{+0.36}_{-0.32}$       | $+0.24$<br>$-0.24$<br>$+0.27$<br>$-0.21$<br>$+0.08$<br>$-0.04$ |  |   |
| <b>Combined</b><br>$\mu = 1.30^{+0.18}_{-0.17}$   | $+0.12$<br>$-0.12$<br>$+0.14$<br>$-0.11$<br>$+0.10$<br>$-0.08$ |  |   |

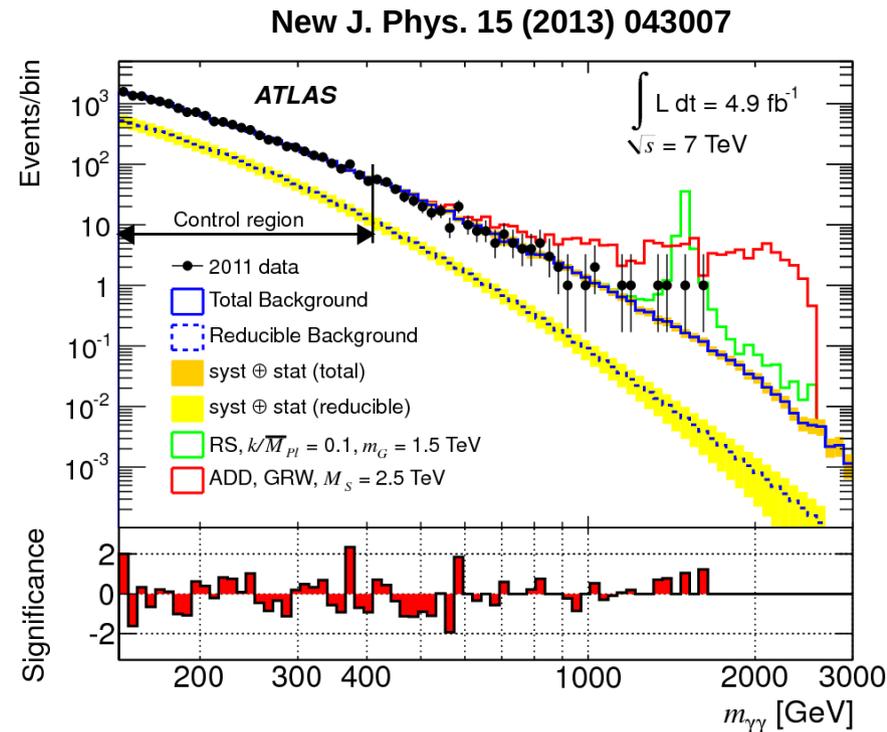
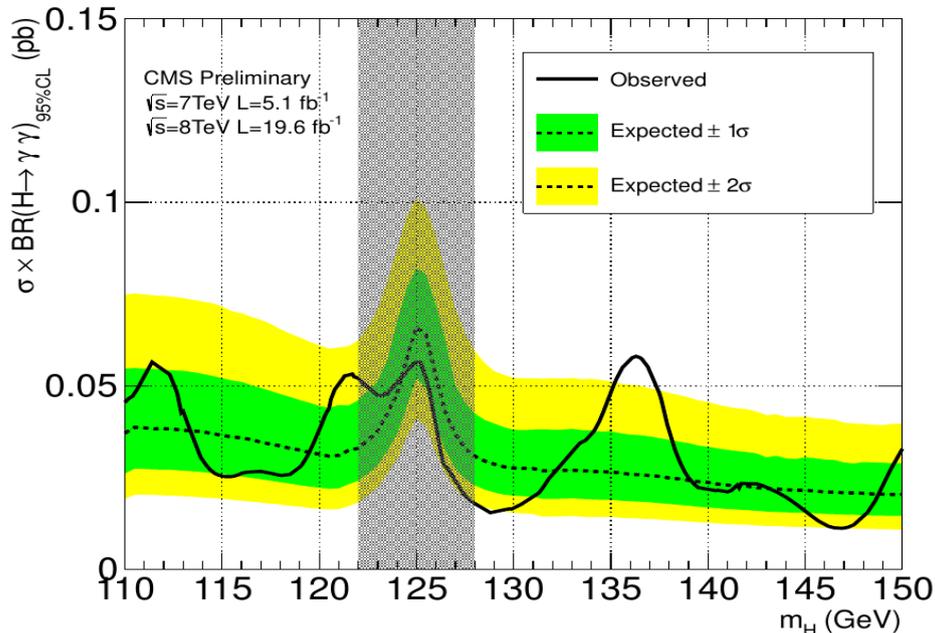
$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV} \int Ldt = 4.6-4.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
 $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV} \int Ldt = 20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Signal strength ( $\mu$ )

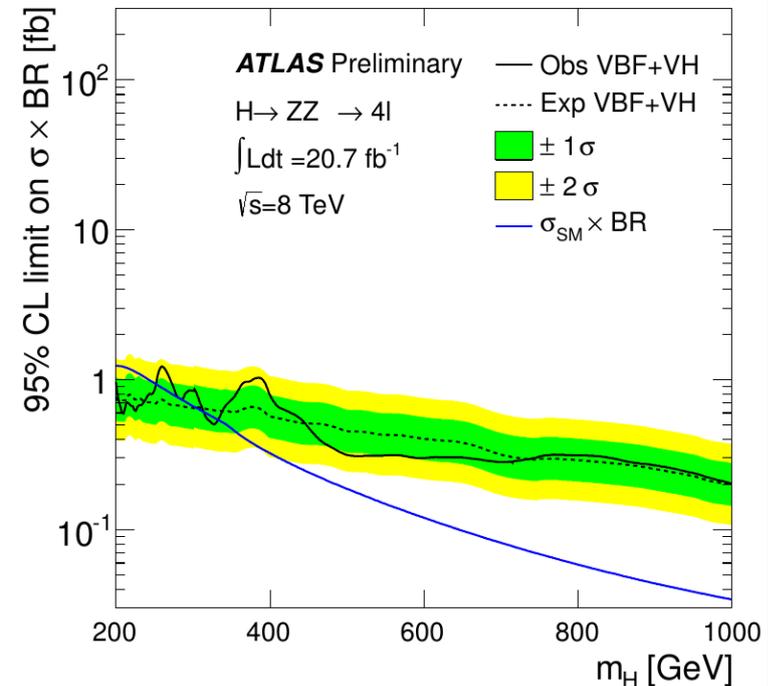
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# Is there something else ?

- **Exotic Searches** : Focused on “large” high-mass signals
- **Complementary** : Higgs searches extended to Higgs-like states
  - Extend search ranges
  - set limits on  $\sigma \times \text{BR}$  if no signal
- **Already done at high mass for  $H \rightarrow WW, ZZ$**
- **What about  $\gamma\gamma$  ?** CMS result for the “standard” search window

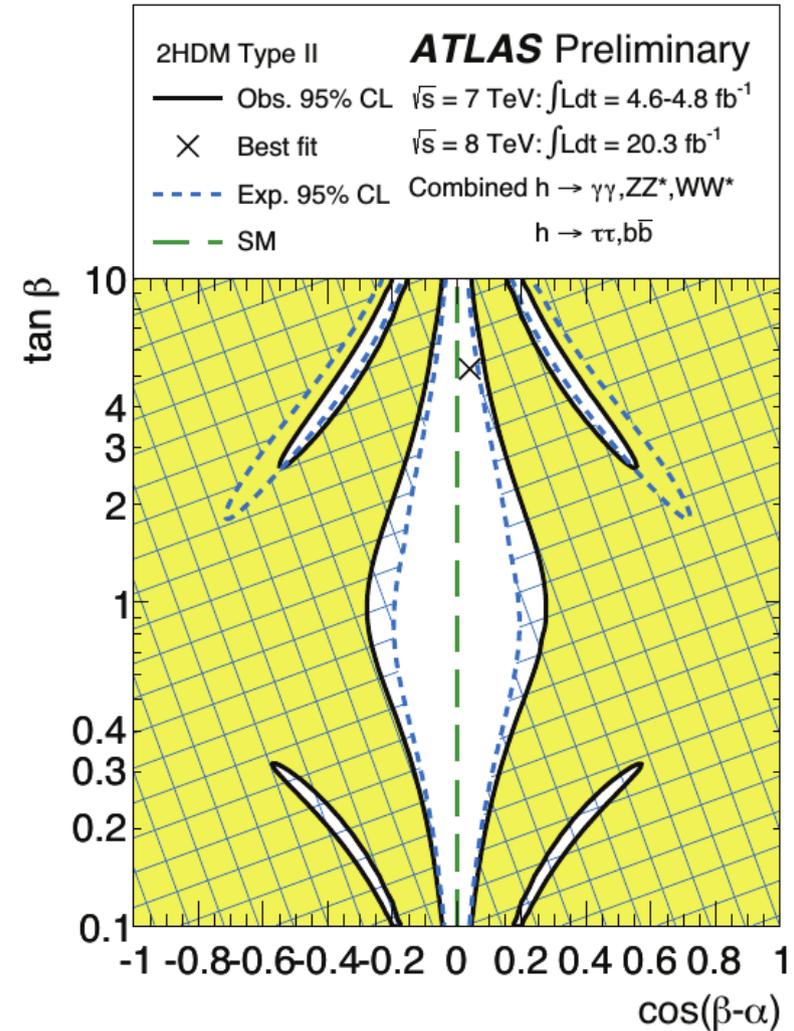


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# Models with Extra Higgs-like Resonances

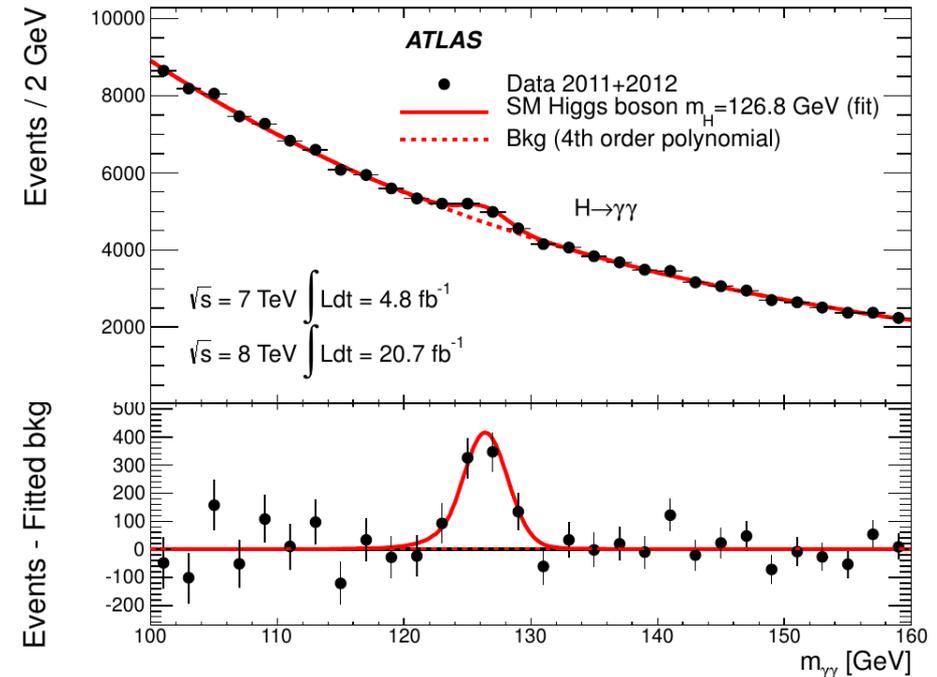
- Typical target: **models with extended Higgs sector**
  - **2HDM**: 2 extra neutral Higgses  $H, A$ , can decay to  $\gamma\gamma$  (small  $\tan\beta$ )
  - Also possible signals in the context of **NMSSM, Extra Higgs singlet,...**
- **Complementary** to constraints from Higgs properties measurements
- Hard to make  $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$  large, so to get non-negligible  $BR(\gamma\gamma)$ , usually need small  $\Gamma$   
 $\Rightarrow$  **Narrow state**



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# Standard $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ Search

- Small bump on smooth background
  - mainly  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $\gamma$ jet,  $jj$  bkg
- **Template fit** using analytical shapes for signal and bkg
- **Selection :**
  - $E_{T1} > 40$  GeV,  $E_{T2} > 30$  GeV,
  - $100 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 160$  GeV
  - Consider  $110 < m_H < 150$  GeV
- **Categories:** separate out specific regions:
  - central/non-central  $\eta$ , low/high  $p_T$ , conv/unconv photons
  - VBF-like, VH-like configurations



# Challenges for Extended search

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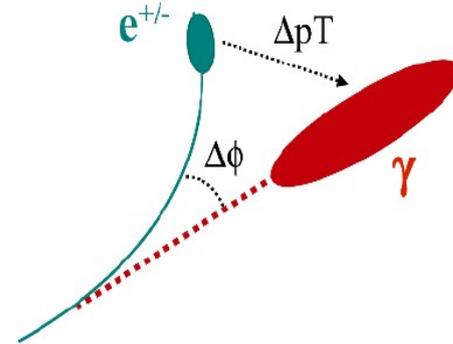
- Need to **describe the signal and background over a much wider mass range**
- Below 100 GeV, need to deal with  **$Z \rightarrow ee$  background**
- **$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$**  also treated as a background.
- **Make the result as general as possible**, so it is applicable to a wide range of models
  - Avoid most categories

# Overview of the Analysis

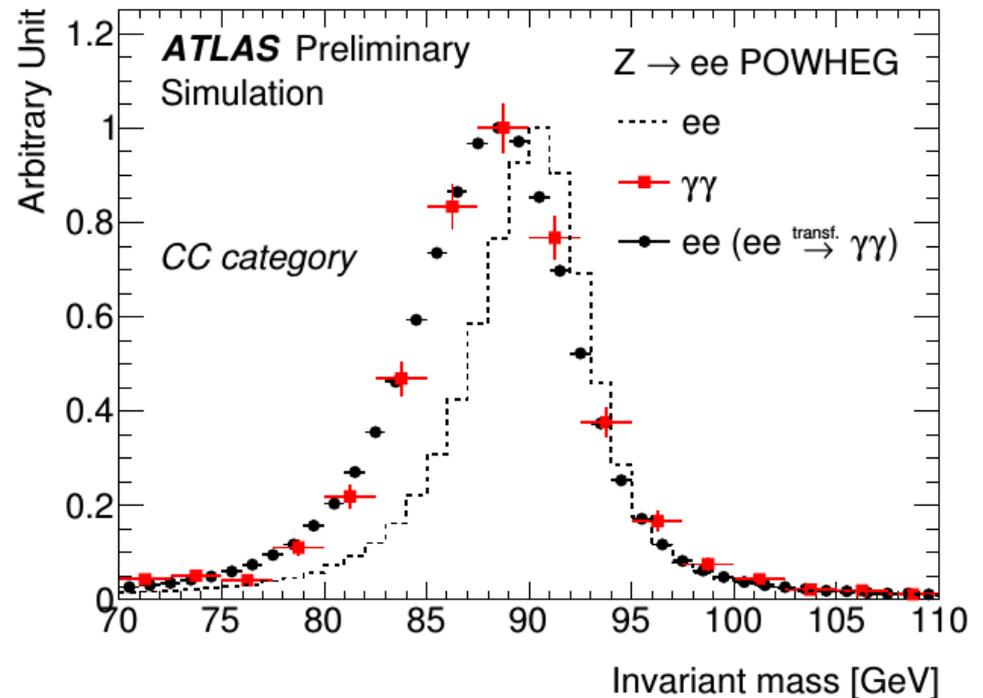
- Extend search to  $60 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 700 \text{ GeV}$
- **Photons**: same reconstruction, identification as standard  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  analysis:  $\sim 70\%$  eff
  - Require  $|\eta| < 2.37$ , excluding Barrel/EC transition  $1.37 < |\eta| < 1.56$ .
  - photon ID using calorimeter shower shapes, + tracks for conversions
  - calorimeter-based and track-based isolation
- **Model-independence**
  - Report **fiducial cross-section**
  - remove most categories
  - **8 TeV data only**. Use full 2012 dataset ( **$20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$** )
- **Separate low-mass ( $60 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 120 \text{ GeV}$ ) and high-mass ( $100 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 700 \text{ GeV}$ ) regions**

# Low-Mass Search ( $60 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 120$ GeV)

- Lower photon  $E_T$  cuts to  $E_{T1,2} > 22$  GeV (using lower trigger thresholds)
- **Use 3 conversion categories:**  $N_{\text{conv}}=0,1,2$  to mitigate DY background
- **Use  $Z \rightarrow ee$  to determine DY template**
  - $e \rightarrow g$  fakes mostly with large bremsstrahlung, so add MC-based correction to describe  $\gamma\gamma$  template
- **DY Normalization:**  $e \rightarrow \gamma$  fake rates computed from data

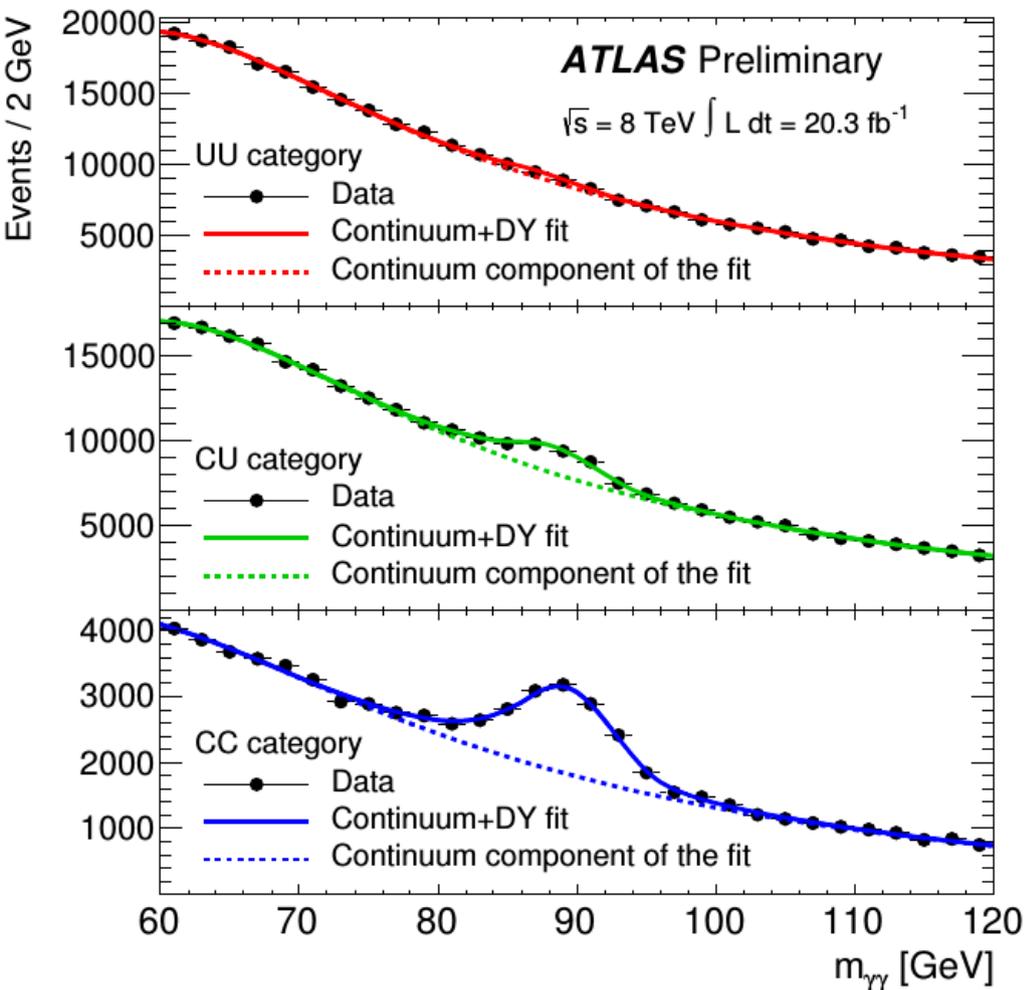
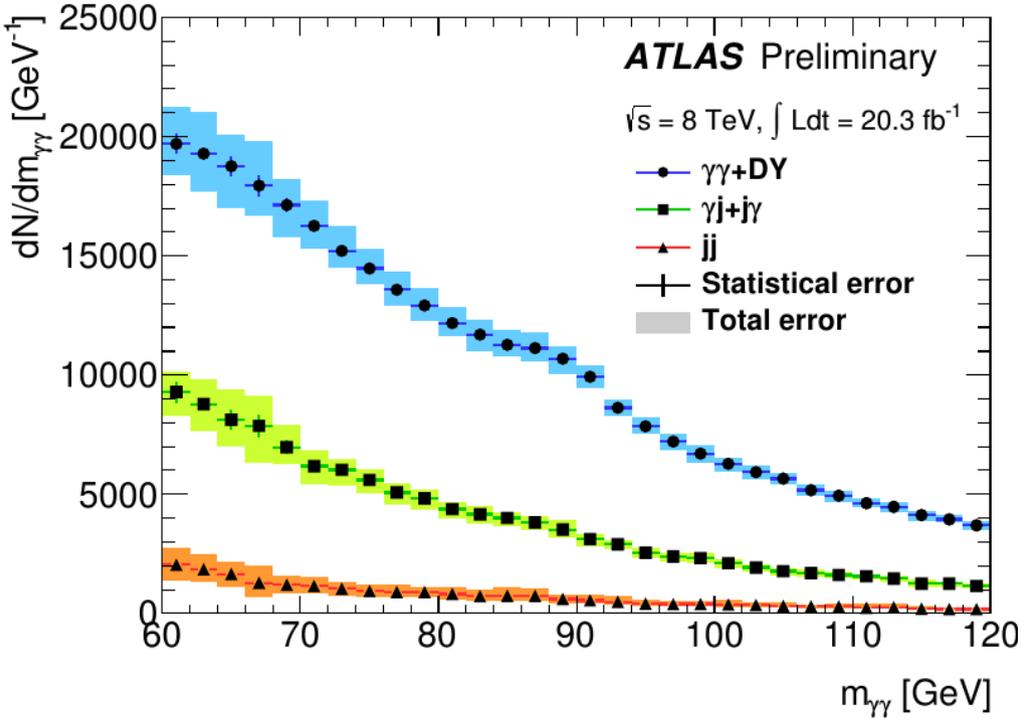


| $\gamma$ conversion category | UU             | CU             | CC             |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| $N_{\text{data}}$            | 272184         | 253804         | 63224          |
| $N_{\text{DY}}$              | $1080 \pm 260$ | $3400 \pm 600$ | $2700 \pm 250$ |
| $f_{\text{DY}}$              | 15.0%          | 47.3%          | 37.7%          |
| $f_X$                        | 48.7%          | 42.5%          | 8.8%           |



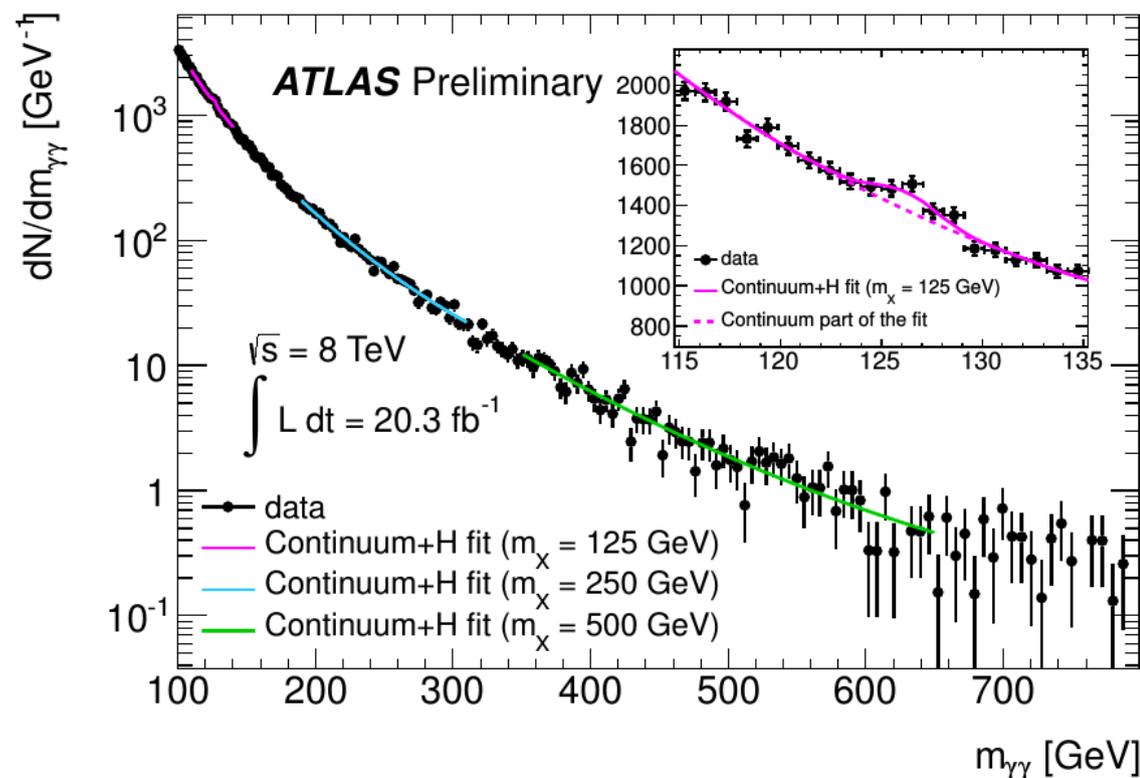
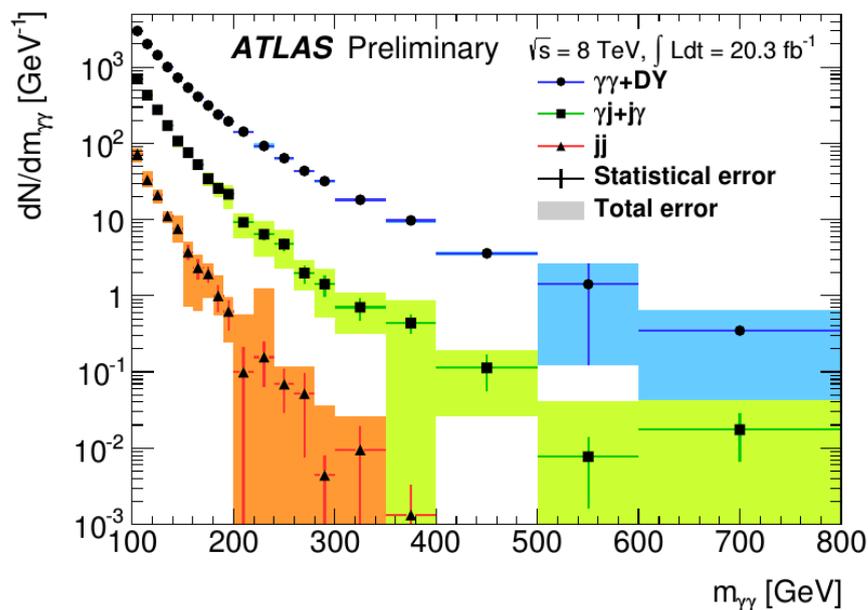
# Low-Mass Search

- Continuum Background :**
  - Mainly  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $\gamma j$ ,  $jj$  and non-Z DY tails.
  - Use Landau+Exponential shape, parameters and  $N_{\text{cont}}$  free in the fit
- Need sidebands on either side of signal peak: covers  **$65 < m_x < 110 \text{ GeV}$** .



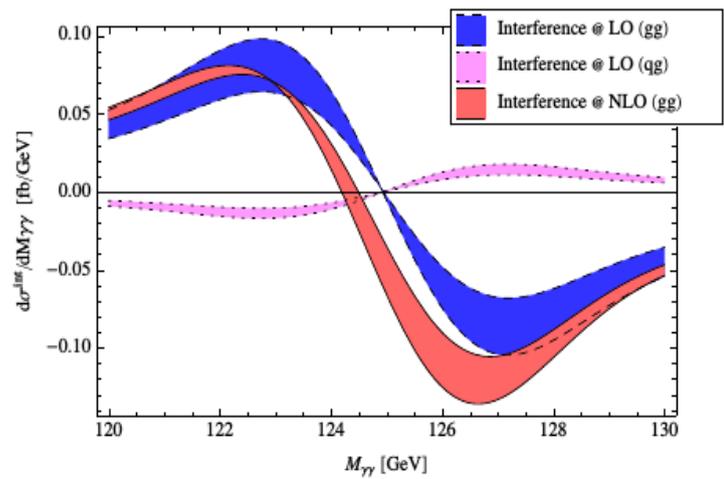
# High-Mass Search ( $100 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 700 \text{ GeV}$ )

- Relative cuts  $E_{T1}/m_{\gamma\gamma} > 0.4$ ,  $E_{T2}/m_{\gamma\gamma} > 0.3$  to improve sensitivity at high mass
- Use **sliding window**  $m_x - w < m_{\gamma\gamma} < m_x + w$ ,  $w = 40 \cdot (m_x - 110)/100 + 10 \text{ GeV}$ 
  - $\exp(am+bm^2)$  shape in each interval, parameters and  $N_{\text{cont}}$  free in the fit
- No categories**
- Higgs**: use PDG mass  $m_H = 125.9 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\mu = 1$  (SM yield).
- Extend analysis up to  $m_{\gamma\gamma} = 700 \text{ GeV}$ , when statistics run out
- Covers  $110 < m_x < 600 \text{ GeV}$ .

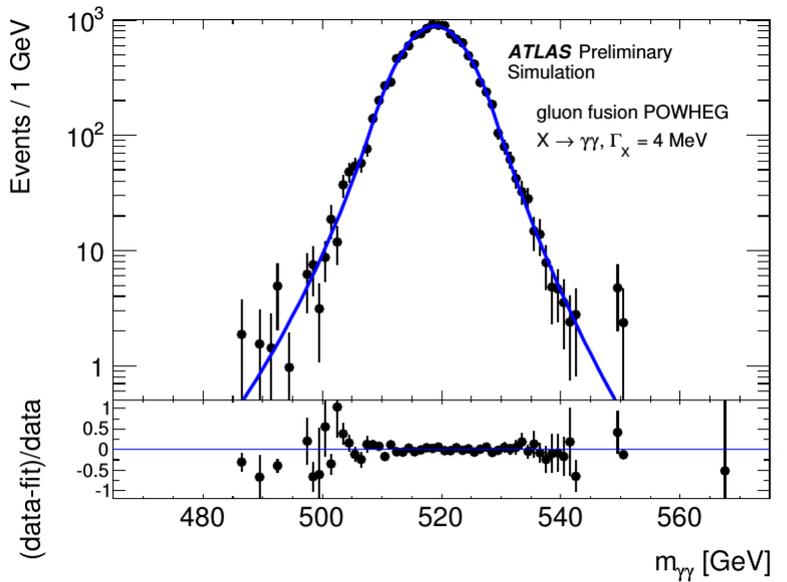


# Signal Description

- Assume **narrow width** for all masses.
  - Valid for  $\Gamma < \sim 1 \text{ GeV} + 0.01 \cdot m_X$
- **Neglect interference with continuum**
  - Interference is model-dependent
  - Significant distortion of signal peak for  $\Gamma \sim \text{GeV}$
- Describe signal shape using **“Double-sided Crystal Ball”** shape
  - Parameters determined as functions of  $m_X$  for  $65 < m_X < 600 \text{ GeV}$
  - Allow peak position and width to float in the fit, constrained by Energy-scale and resolution measurements.



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# Systematics

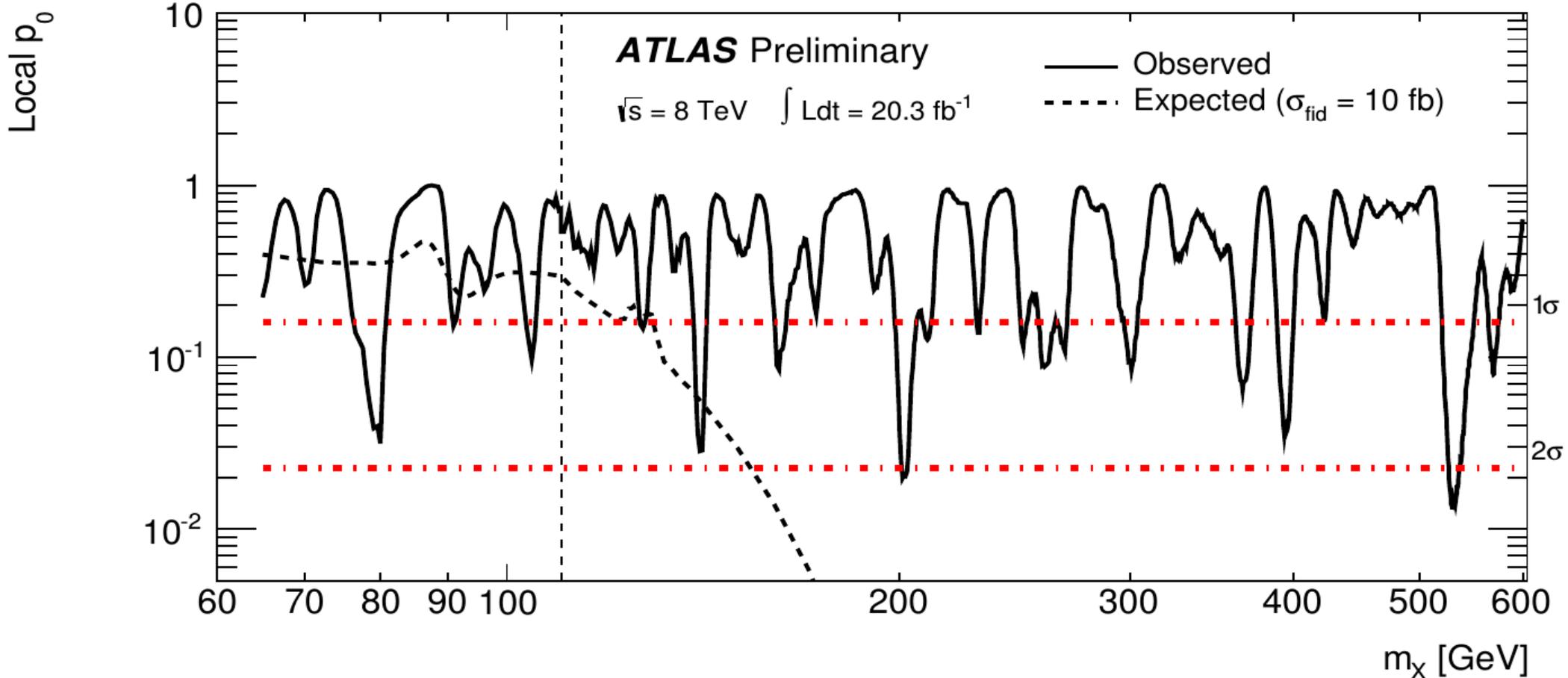
|   |                  | CC              | UU |
|---|------------------|-----------------|----|
| <i>Signal yield</i>   |                  |                 |    |
| Luminosity  | 2.8 %            |                 |    |
| Trigger   | 0.5 %            |                 |    |
| $\gamma$ identification <sup>12</sup>                               | 1.6 – 2.7 %      |                 |    |
| $\gamma$ isolation <sup>1</sup>                                     | 1 – 6 %          |                 |    |
| Energy resolution <sup>12</sup>                                     | <b>10 – 40 %</b> |                 |    |
| <i>Signal peak position</i>   |                  |                 |    |
| Energy scale  | 0.6 %            |                 |    |
| <i>Continuum <math>\gamma\gamma, \gamma j, jj</math> background</i> |                  |                 |    |
| Signal bias <sup>1</sup>  | 1 – 67 events    |                 |    |
| <i>Drell-Yan background</i>   |                  |                 |    |
| Normalization <sup>2</sup>  |                  | <b>9 – 25 %</b> |    |
| Peak position <sup>2</sup>  |                  | 1.5 – 3.5 %     |    |
| Template shape <sup>2</sup>   |                  | 1.5 – 3 %       |    |
| <i>Higgs background</i>   |                  |                 |    |
| Cross-section <sup>3</sup>  |                  | <b>9.6 %</b>    |    |
| Branching ratio   |                  | <b>4.8 %</b>    |    |
| <i>C<sub>X</sub> factor</i>   |                  |                 |    |
| Topology <sup>1</sup>   |                  | 3 – 15 %        |    |
| Pile-up <sup>1</sup>  |                  | 1 – 3 %         |    |

Leading systematic: **resolution uncertainty**

10% at low mass, up to 40% at ~600 GeV

# Looking for Peaks

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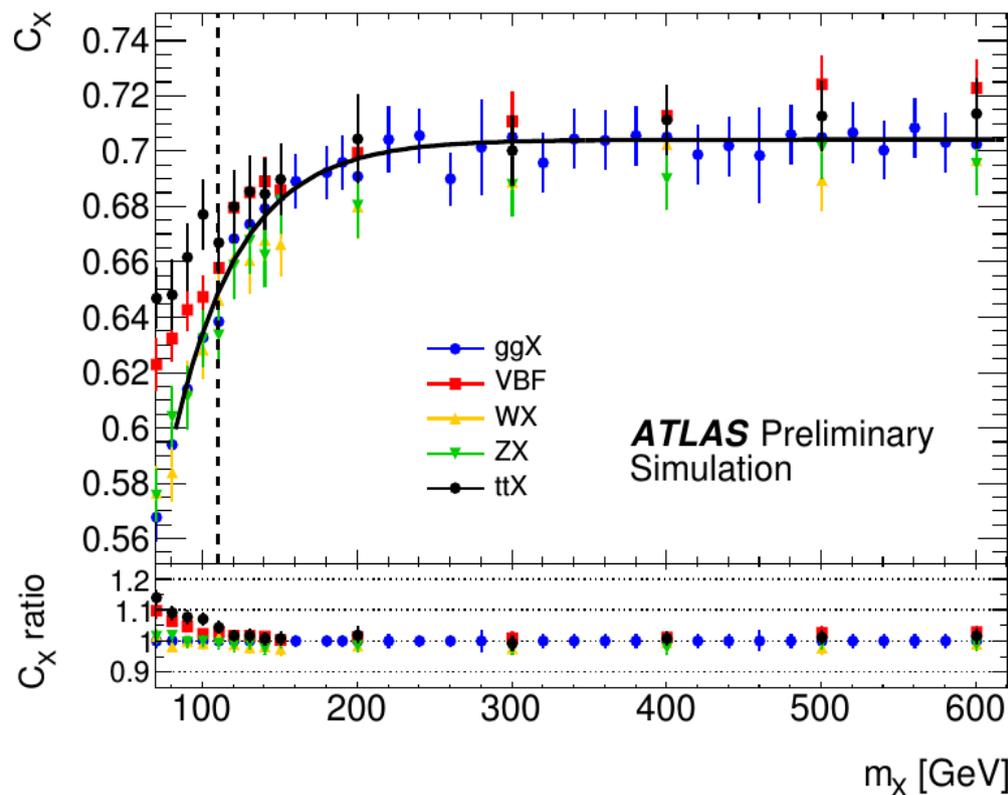
- Only 2 points with local significance  $\sim 2\sigma$ , at  $m_x \sim 200$  GeV and  $\sim 530$  GeV
- **Global significance  $< 0.1\sigma$  – No signal!**

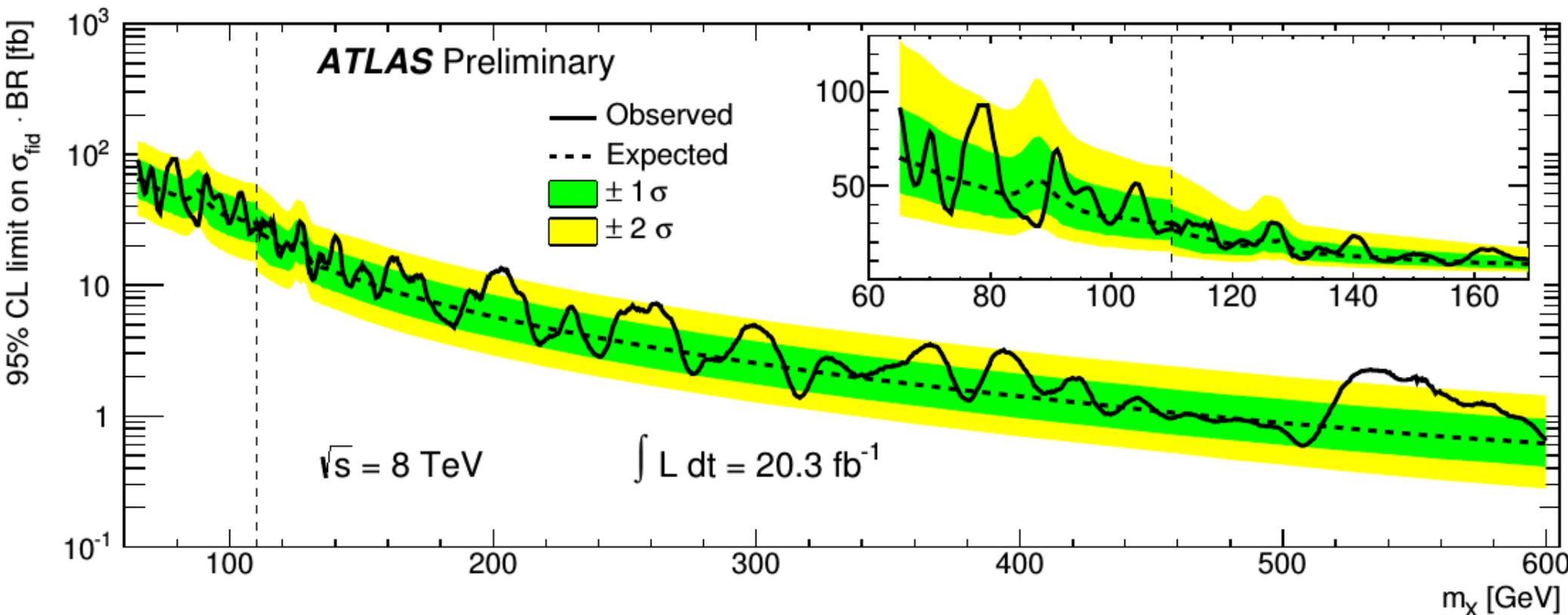
# Fiducial Cross-Section Definition

- Report **Fiducial cross-section** inside truth acceptance
  - $E_{T\gamma 1}, E_{T\gamma 2} > 22 \text{ GeV}$  ( $m_x < 110 \text{ GeV}$ )
  - $E_{T\gamma 1}/m_{\gamma\gamma} > 0.4, E_{T\gamma 2}/m_{\gamma\gamma} > 0.3$  ( $m_x > 110 \text{ GeV}$ )
  - $|\eta_\gamma| < 2.37$
  - Truth-level isolation  $< 12 \text{ GeV}$  within  $\Delta R=0.4$
- Compute cross-section as

$$\sigma_{\text{fid}} \cdot BR(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{N_{\text{data}}}{C_X \cdot \mathcal{L}} \quad \text{with} \quad C_X = \frac{N_{\text{MC}}^{\text{reco}}}{N_{\text{MC}}^{\text{fid}}}$$

- Truth closely follows reco selection  
 $\Rightarrow$  **Reduces model-dependence**
  - Checked on the 5 usual Higgs production modes
  - Residual ttH/ggF difference used as systematic
- Should apply fiducial cuts at generator level when testing models**





Covers almost an order of magnitude in mass

Ranges from  **$\sim 100 \text{ fb}$**  at 65 GeV to  **$\sim 1 \text{ fb}$**  at 600 GeV.

# Outlook

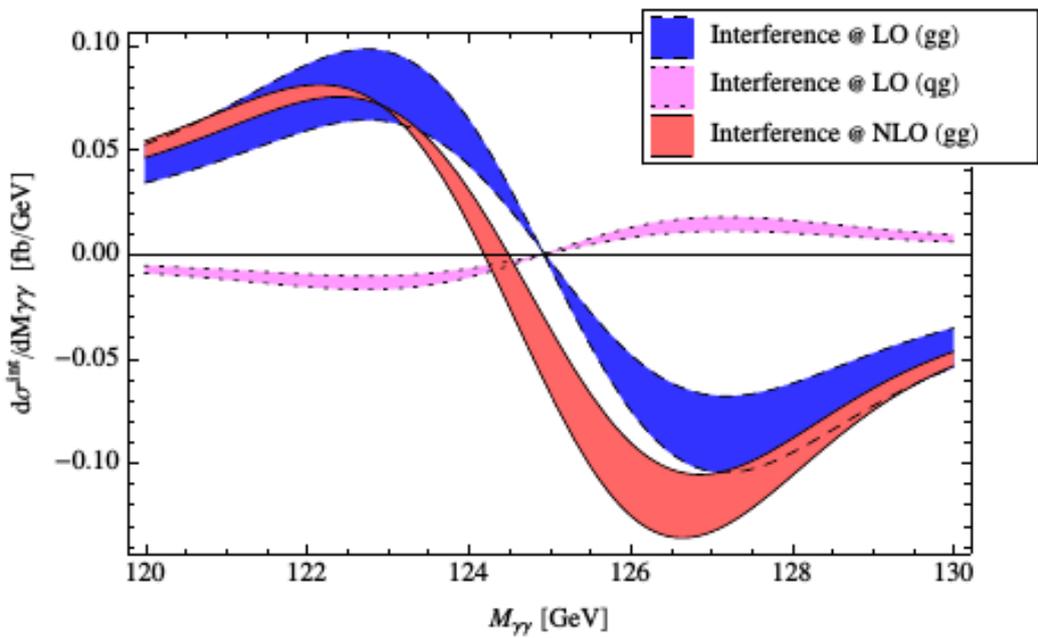
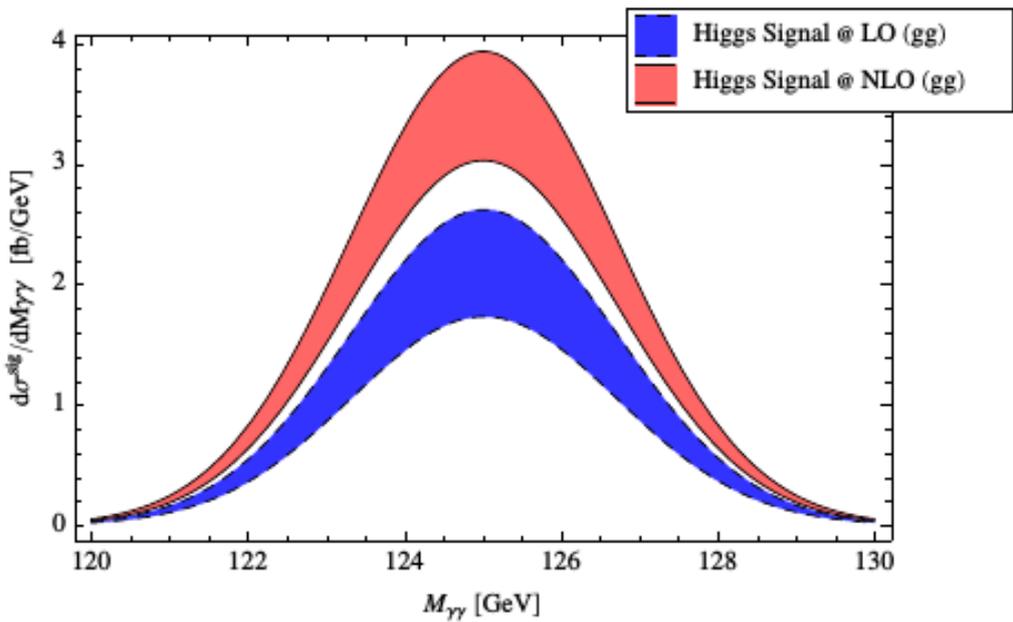
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- Search for  $\gamma\gamma$  resonances over a much wider range than previous studies
- **No signal observed...**
- **Fiducial Cross-section** limit applicable to a wide range of models
  - will be released in HepData format, together with a RIVET routine, to make comparisons with theory easier

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# Backup

# Interference

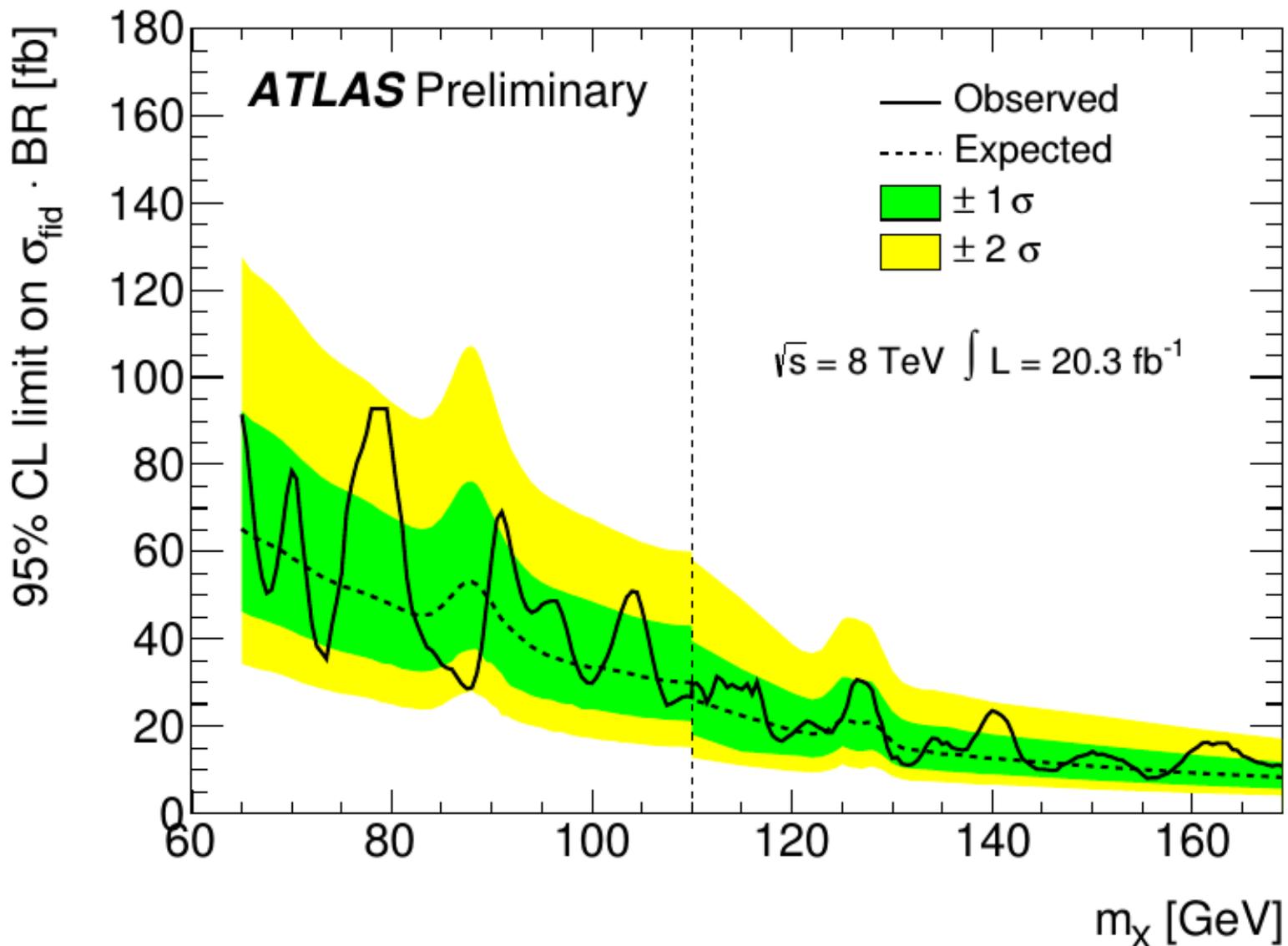


$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{sig}}}{dM_{\gamma\gamma}} = \frac{S}{(M_{\gamma\gamma}^2 - m_H^2)^2 + m_H^2 \Gamma_H^2},$$

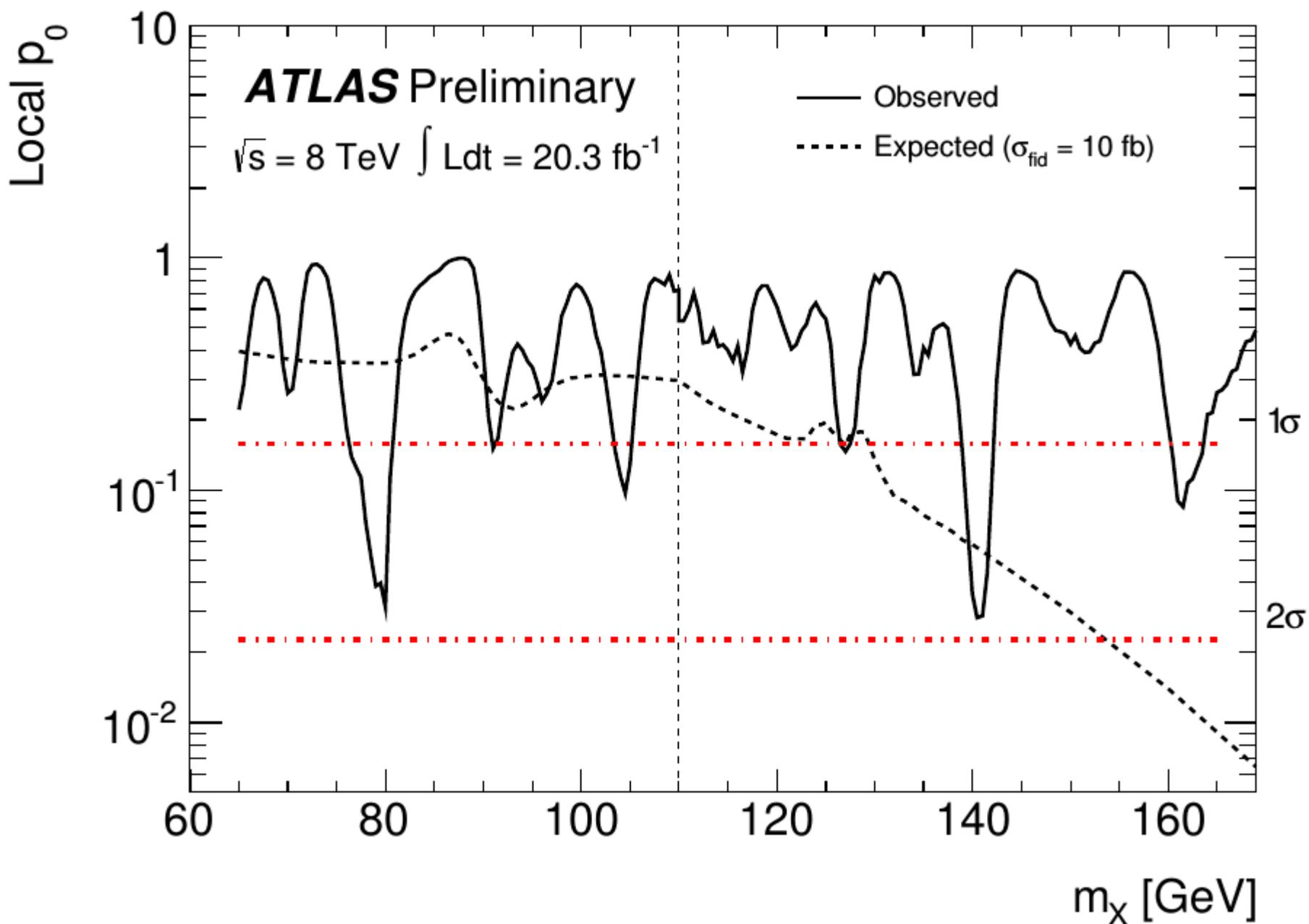
$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{int}}}{dM_{\gamma\gamma}} = \frac{(M_{\gamma\gamma}^2 - m_H^2)R + m_H \Gamma_H I}{(M_{\gamma\gamma}^2 - m_H^2)^2 + m_H^2 \Gamma_H^2}.$$

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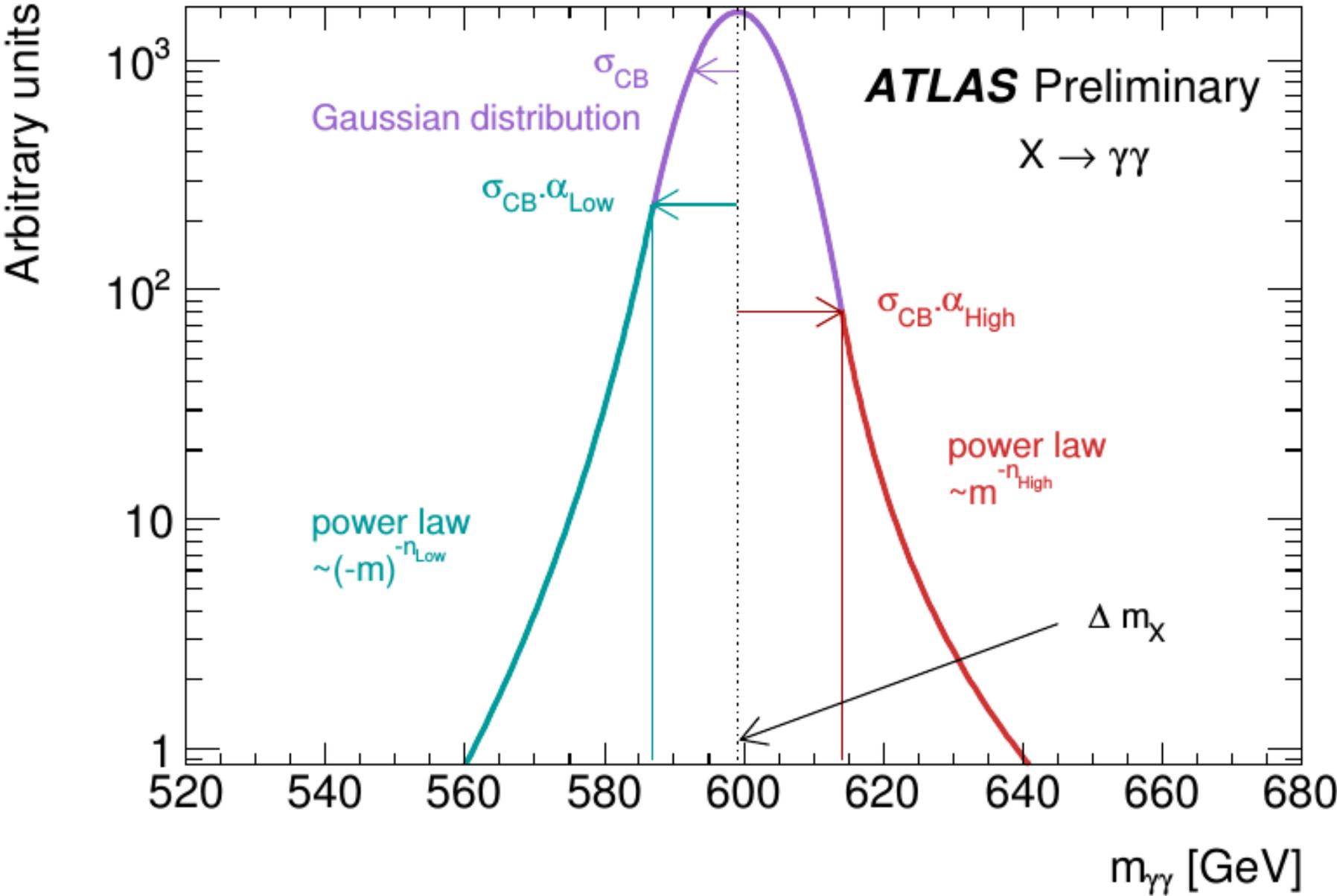
# Limit: Zoom on Low Mass Region



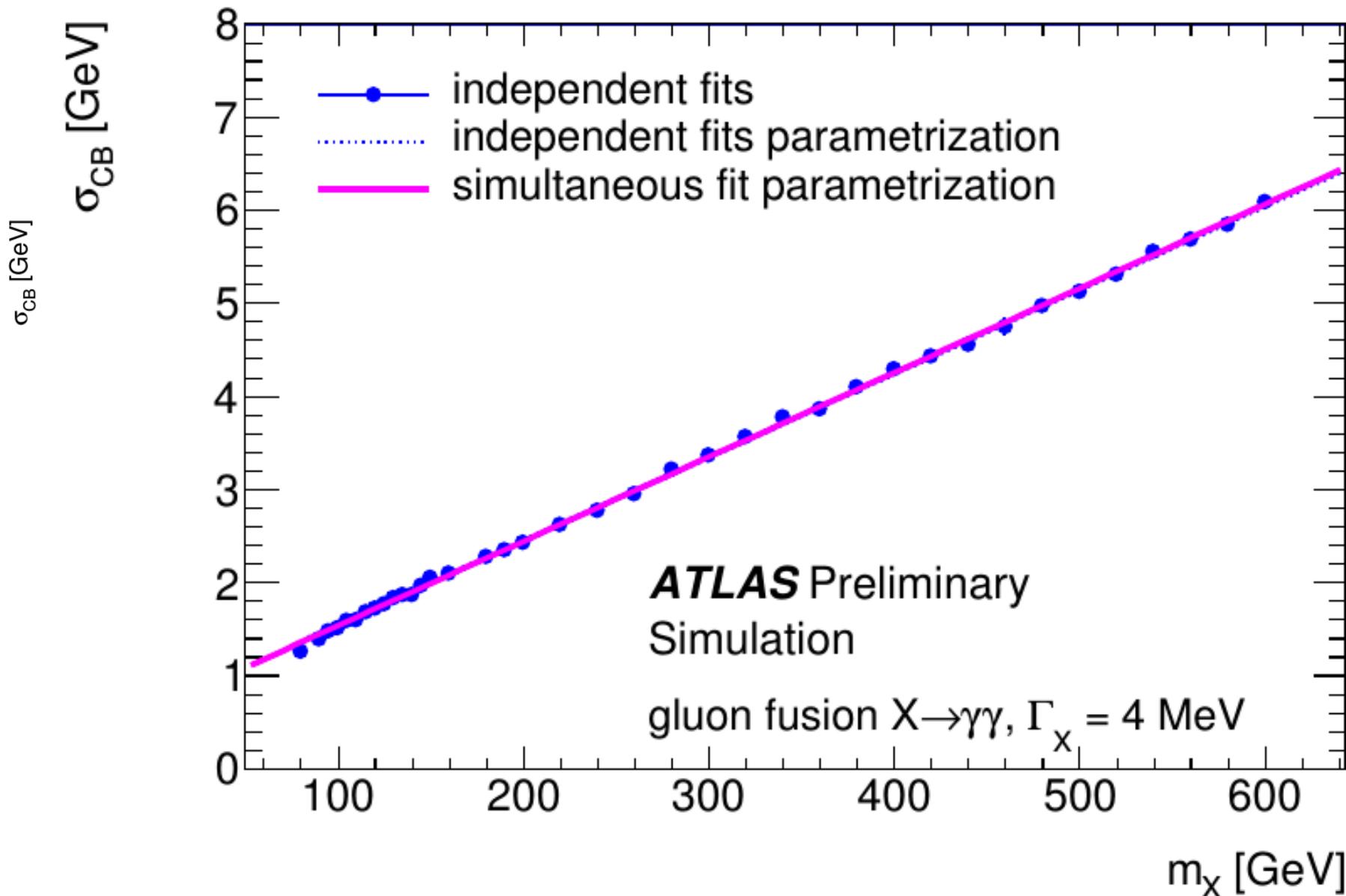
# p0 : Zoom in Low-Mass Region



# Double-Sided CB Shape

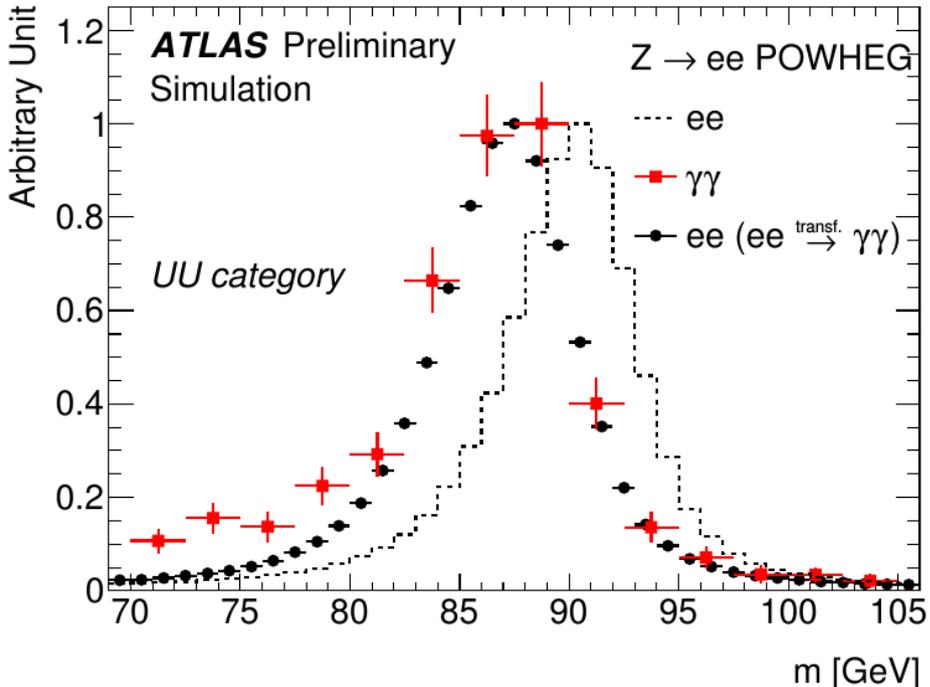
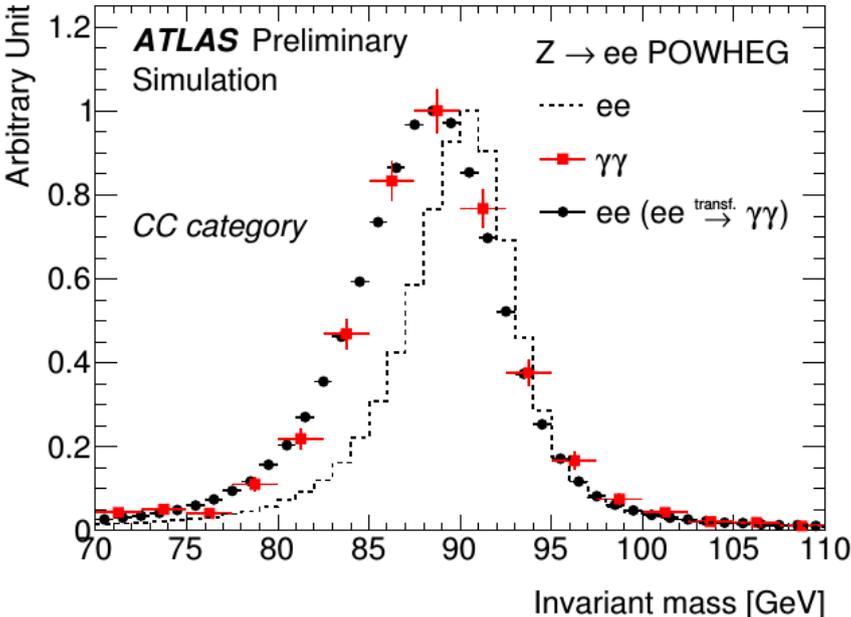
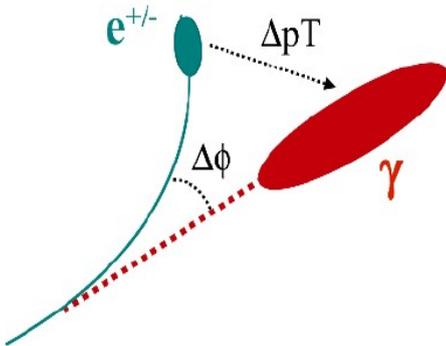


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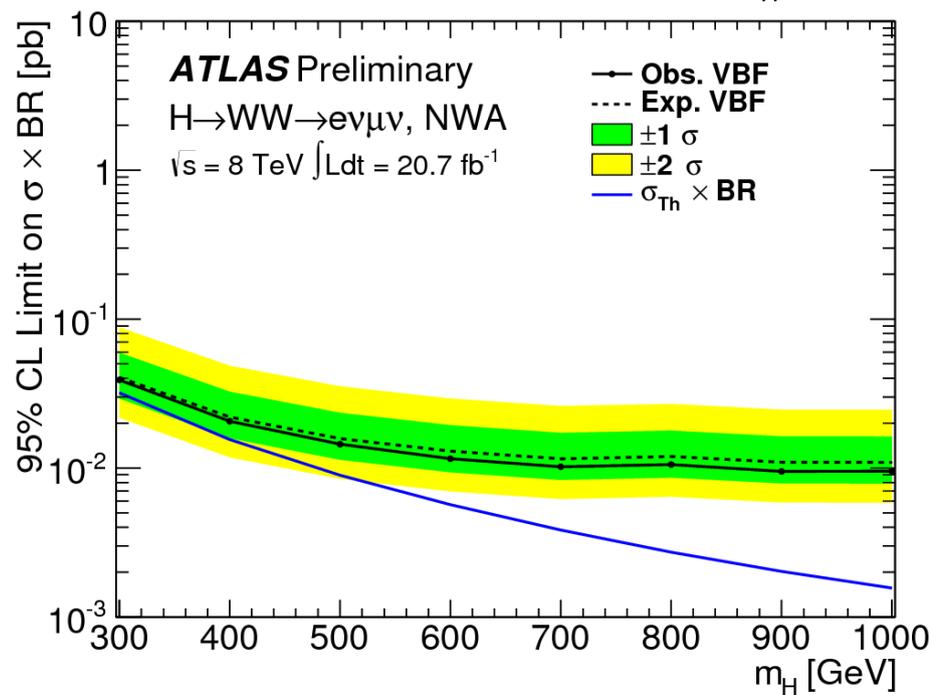
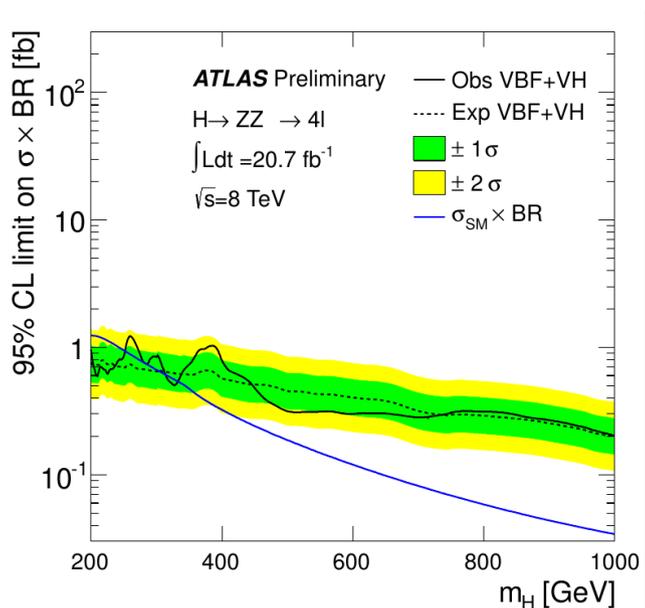
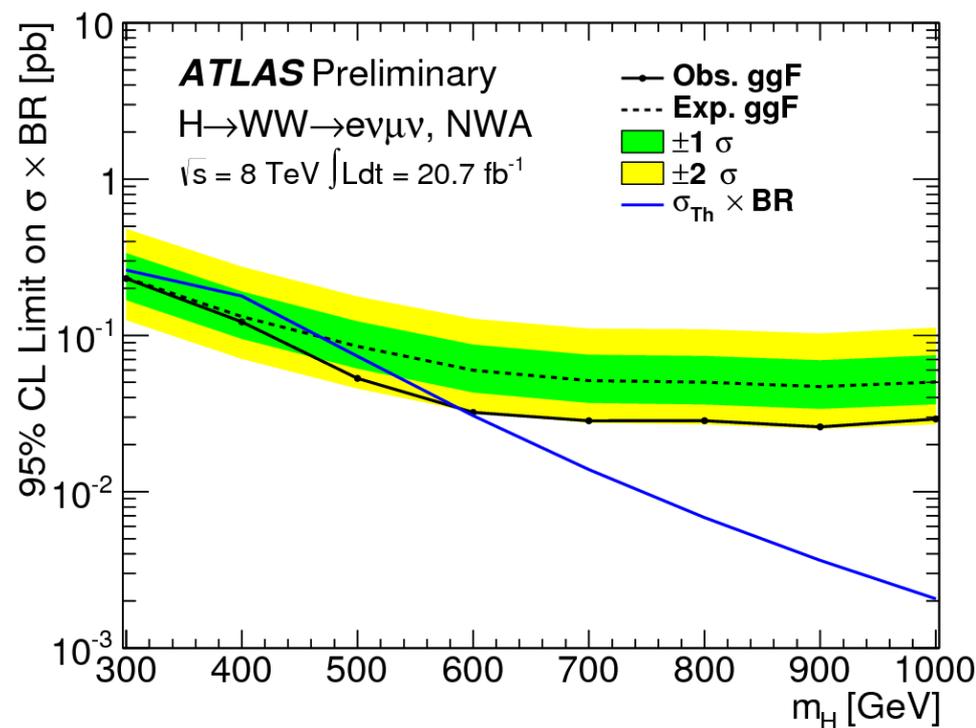
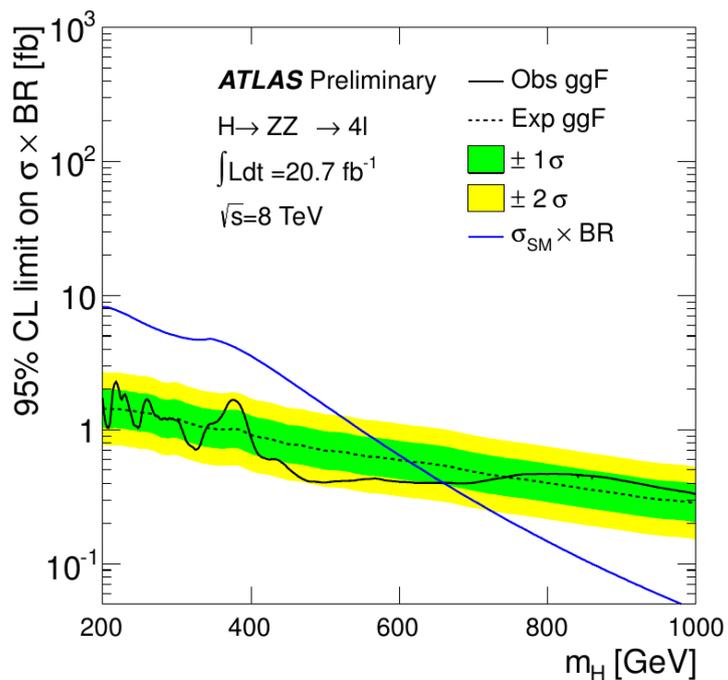


# Drell-Yan Background

- Obtain  $\gamma\gamma$  template from  $Z \rightarrow ee$  by applying MC-driven transformation:
  - Shift and smear electron ET
  - Shift and smear electron Df(track, cluster)
- $\sim 2$  GeV shift in peak position, broader shape



# High-Mass Searches: WW, ZZ



# CMS Extra $\gamma\gamma$ Resonance Search

