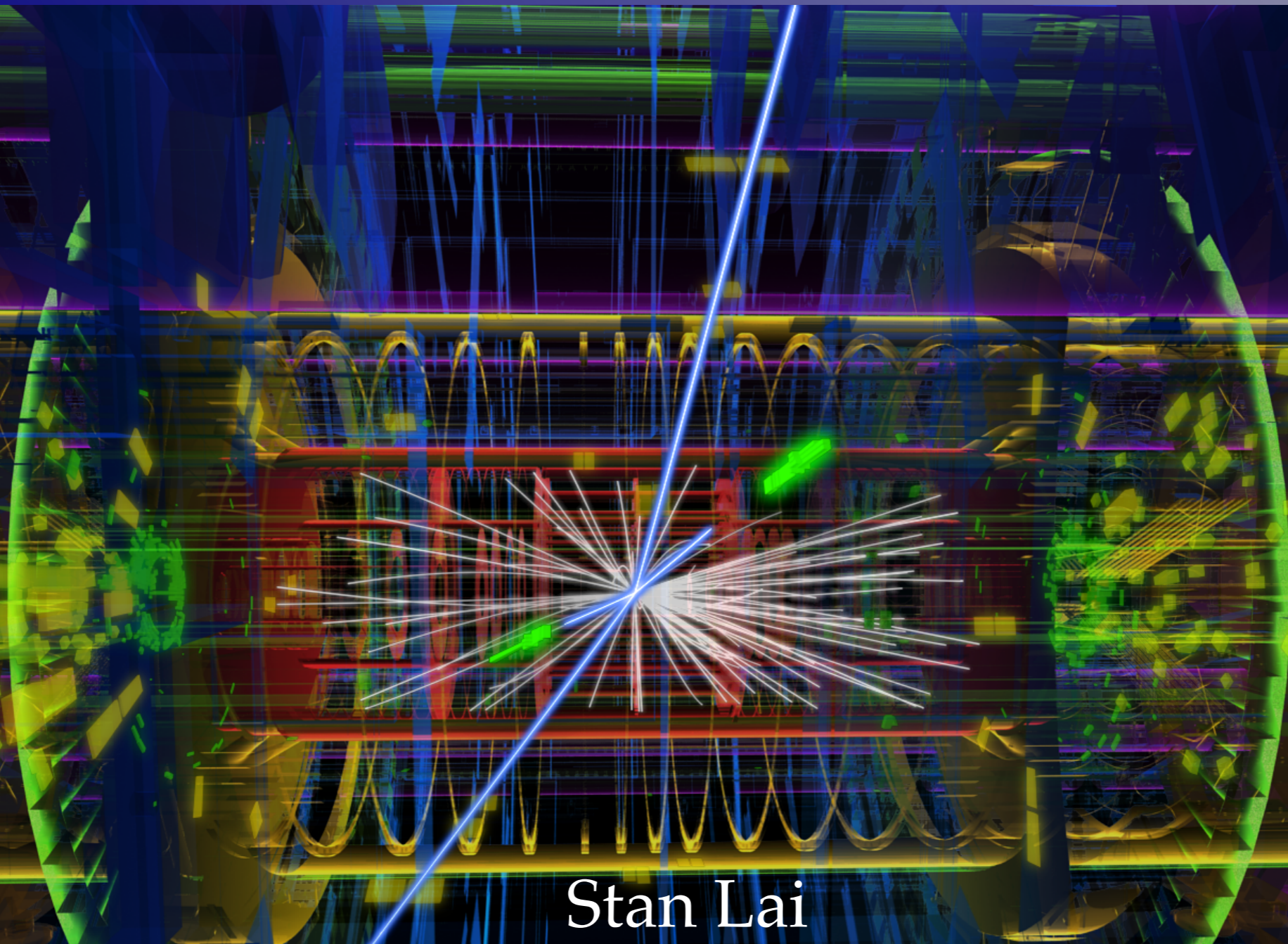


# The Precision Higgs Era and Beyond...



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**My wife Betty**

**Our nephew:  
Nagsen Chao (born Sept 2017)**



# In 2012, the Higgs Boson was like.....



.....a newborn child

The world celebrated its arrival

- predicted in 1964
- serious experimental searches since 1998
- discovery in 2012



# .....and now its 7 years old



we know much more about the Higgs boson

- a “personality” has developed
- we know more and can do more with the Higgs boson than in 2012

We have already reached the “*precision era*” of Higgs physics

- precision mass measurements
- extensive coupling measurements
- quantum numbers (spin, CP)
- searches for rare decays
- measuring the self-coupling

# The Standard Model of Particle Physics

	Fermions			Bosons	
Quarks	$u$ up	$c$ charm	$t$ top	Force carriers	$\gamma$ photon
	$d$ down	$s$ strange	$b$ bottom		$Z$ Z boson
Leptons	$\nu_e$ electron neutrino	$\nu_\mu$ muon neutrino	$\nu_\tau$ tau neutrino		$W$ W boson
	$e$ electron	$\mu$ muon	$\tau$ tau		$g$ gluon

Describes physics at the fundamental level

## Matter particles

- quarks and leptons (3 generations)

## Force carriers

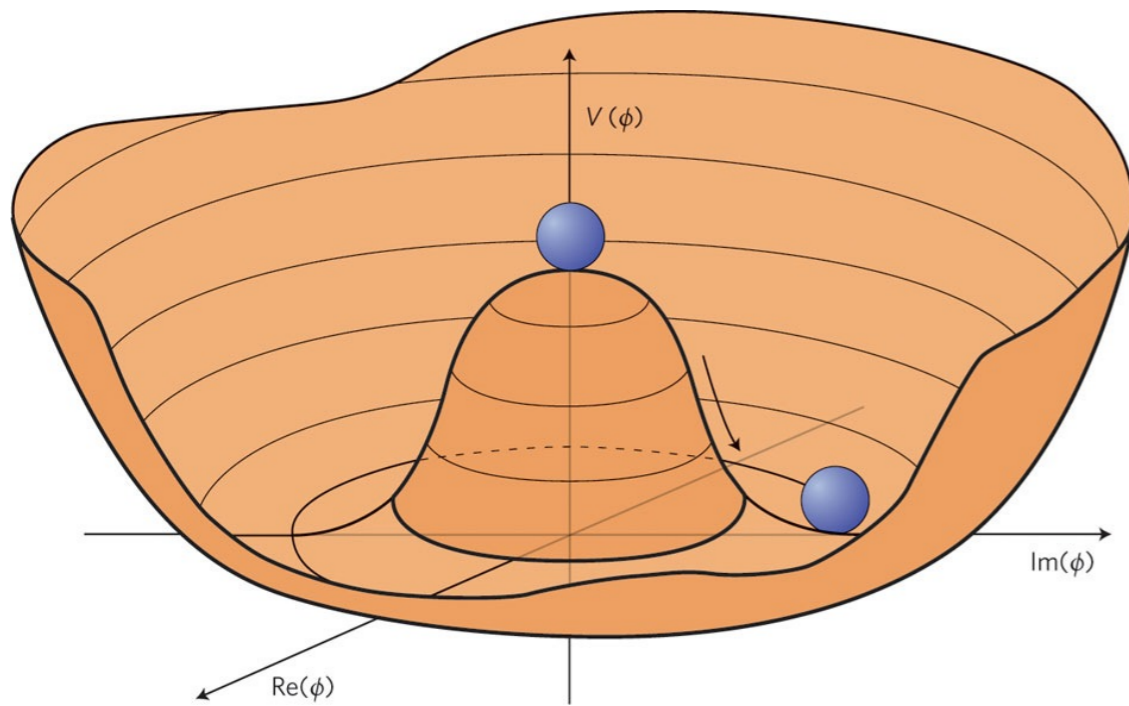
- Forces mediated via vector bosons (except gravity)

All particles and forces described in a *unified, symmetric* theory  
 $\Rightarrow$  but all particles must be *massless*

But particles **DO** possess mass

A *Higgs field* is necessary to explain masses for fundamental particles

# The Brout-Englert-Higgs Mechanism (1964)



Higgs field: scalar field  $\Phi$  with potential:  
 $V(\Phi) = \mu^2 \Phi^* \Phi + \lambda |\Phi^* \Phi|^2$  (Higgs-field)

For  $\lambda > 0, \mu^2 < 0$ :

“Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking”

Field  $\Phi$  has a non-zero value in the vacuum:

$$v = (-\mu^2 / \lambda)^{1/2} \sim 246 \text{ GeV} \quad (\text{from } G_F)$$

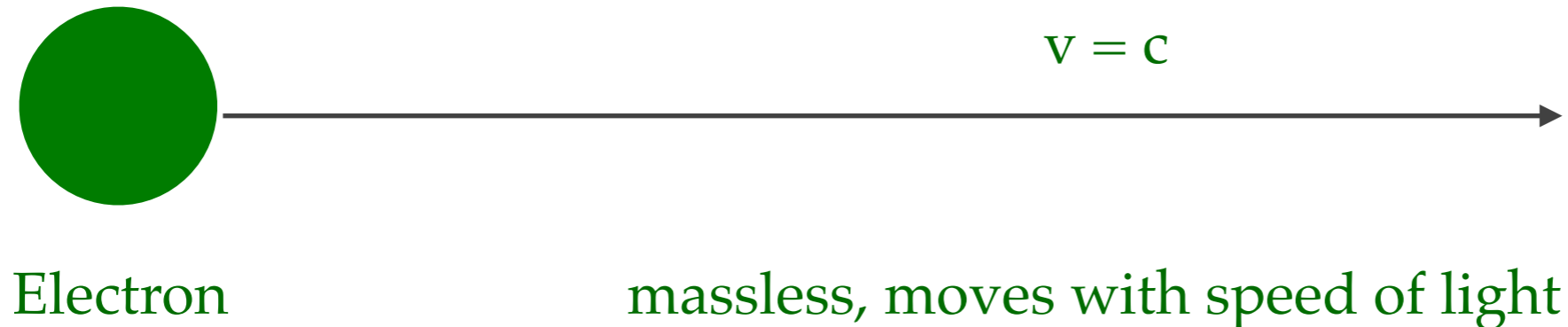
Particles acquire mass through coupling to the Higgs field:  $m \sim v$   
(masses need not be introduced in ad-hoc way)

Quantum excitation of the Higgs field: **The Higgs Boson**

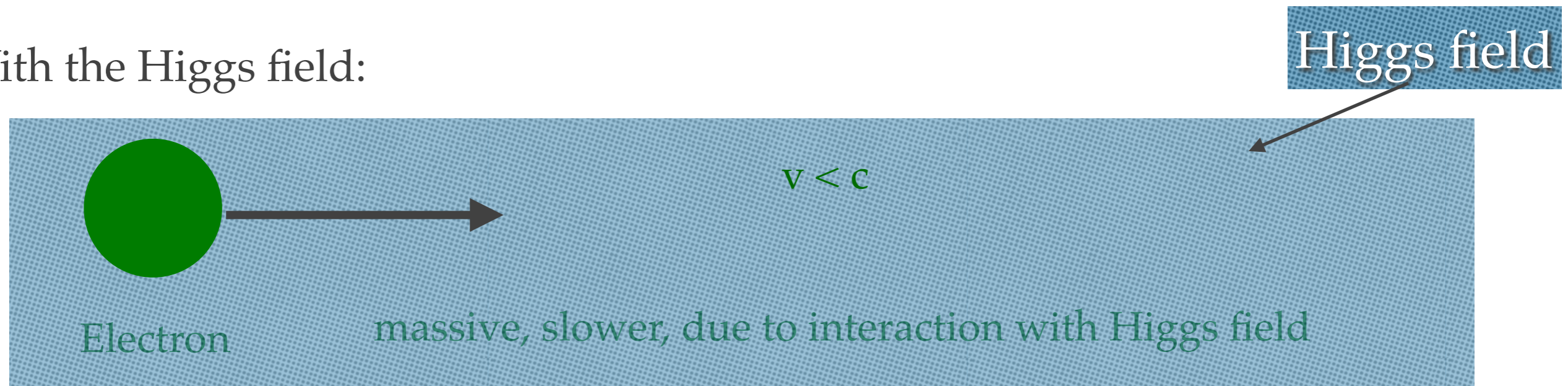
- mass of Higgs boson: free parameter in the Standard Model ( $m_H^2 = 2v^2\lambda$ )

# The Higgs Field and Particle Masses

Without the Higgs field:



With the Higgs field:



**The Higgs field explains why particles can possess mass**

**The more a particle directly interacts with the Higgs field, the heavier it is**

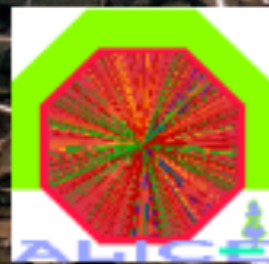


# Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

Proton-Proton Accelerator  
Circumference: 27 km

Run 1: 7 TeV (2010/2011)  
8 TeV (2012)

Run 2: 13 TeV (2015-2018)  
Run 3: 14 TeV (2021-2023)

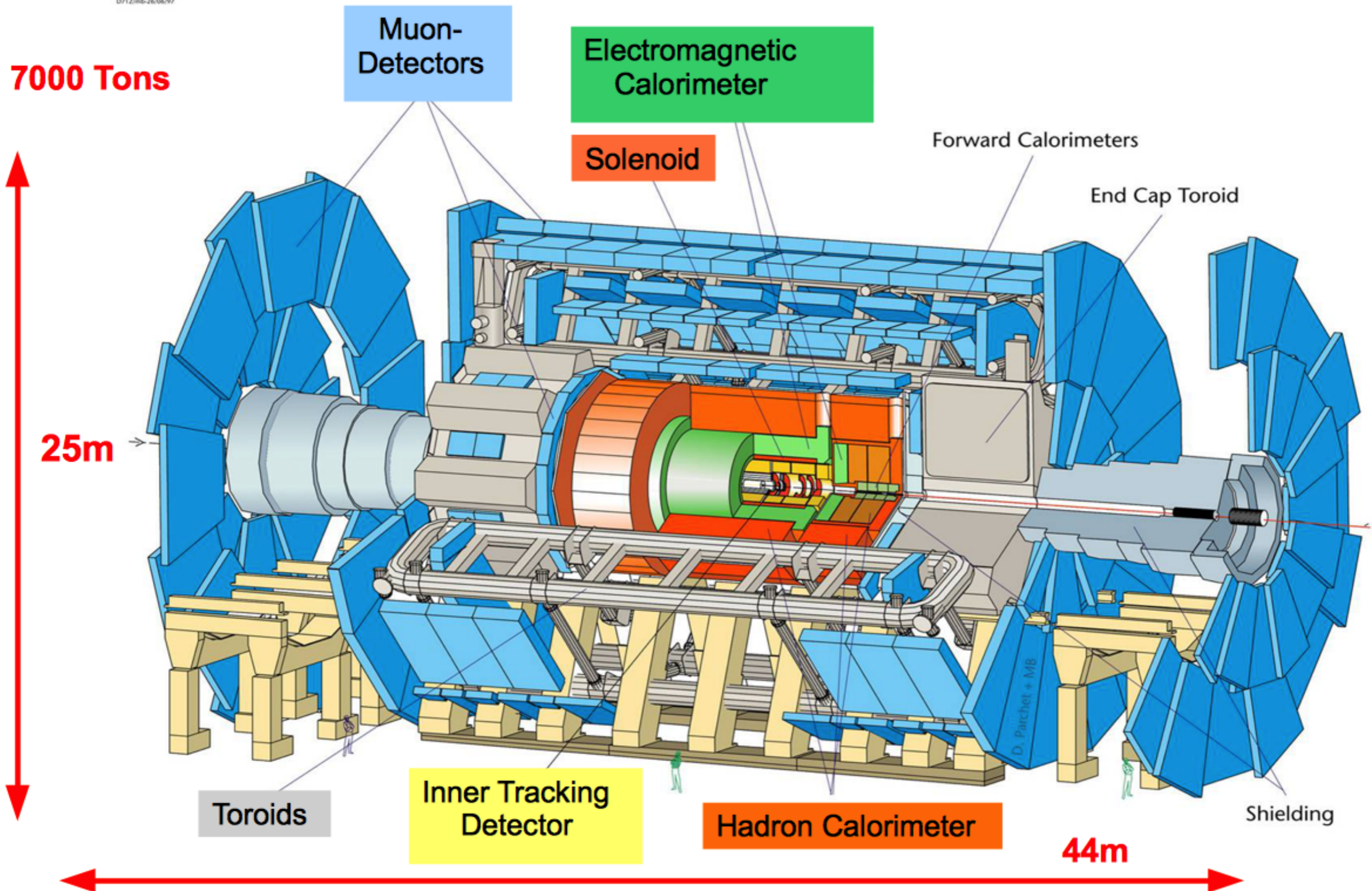


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# The ATLAS Detector

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# The ATLAS Collaboration

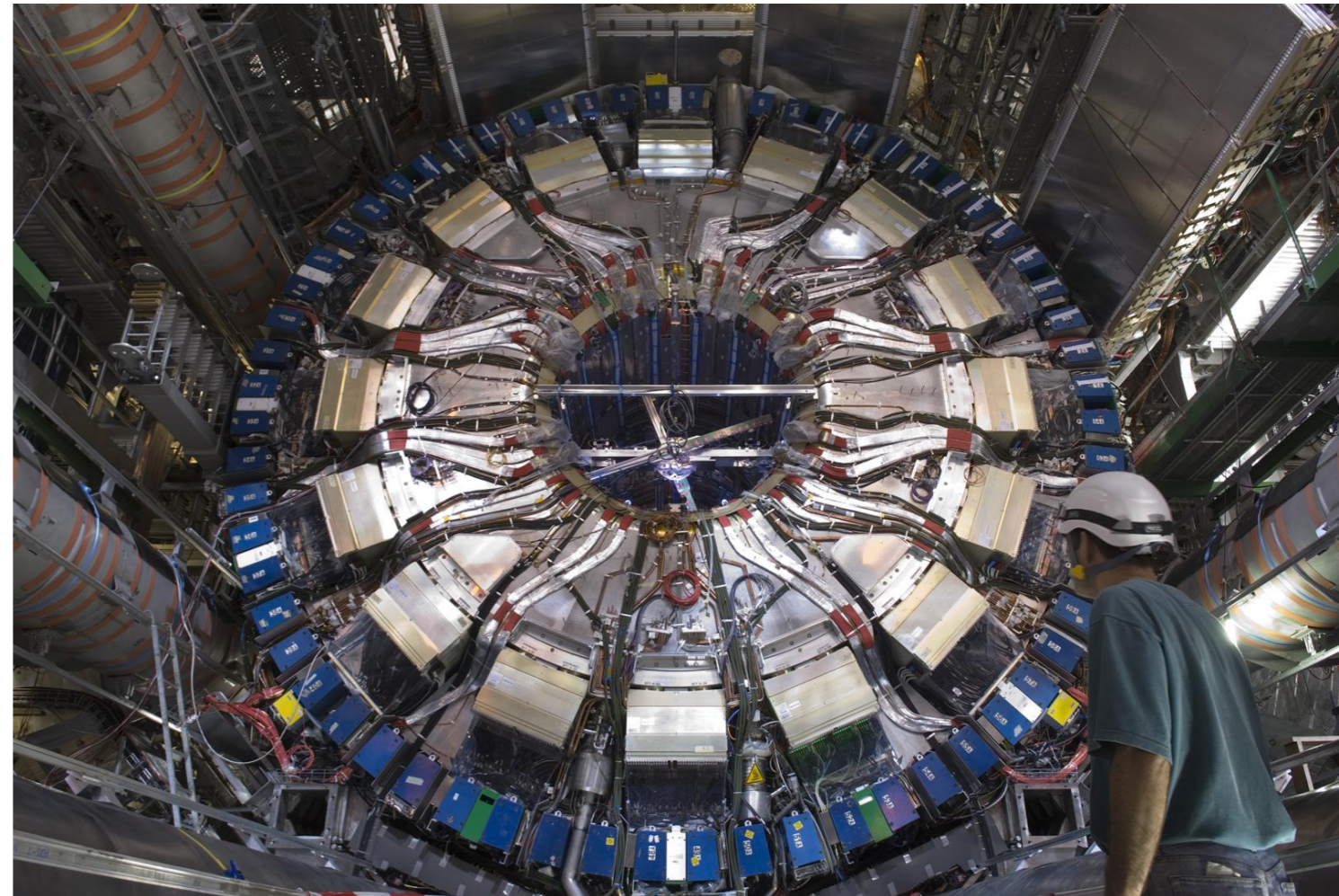
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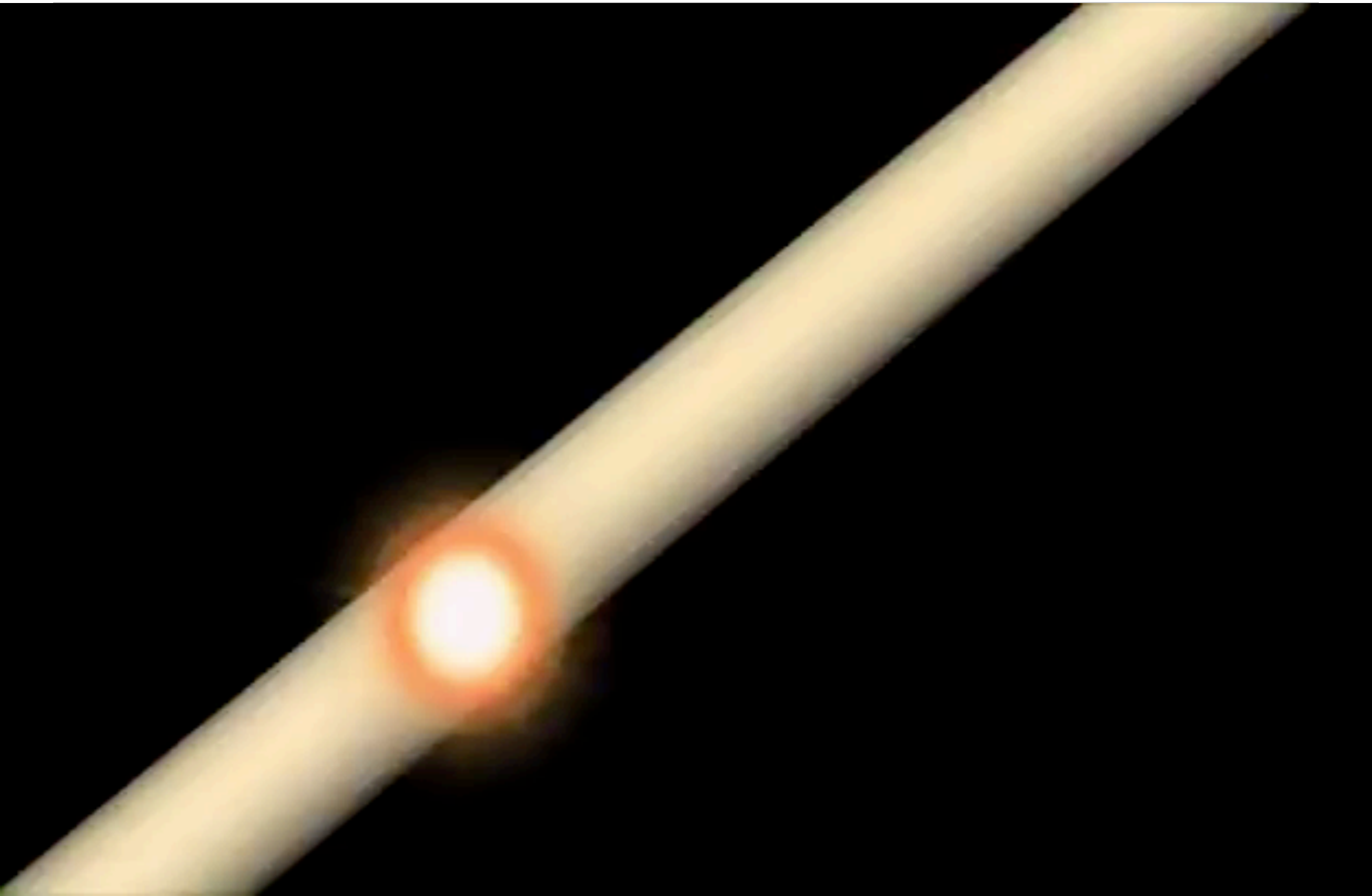
~5000 members  
38 Countries, 230 Institutes

# Particle Physics in Germany



installation of the ATLAS calorimeter

# LHC Collisions



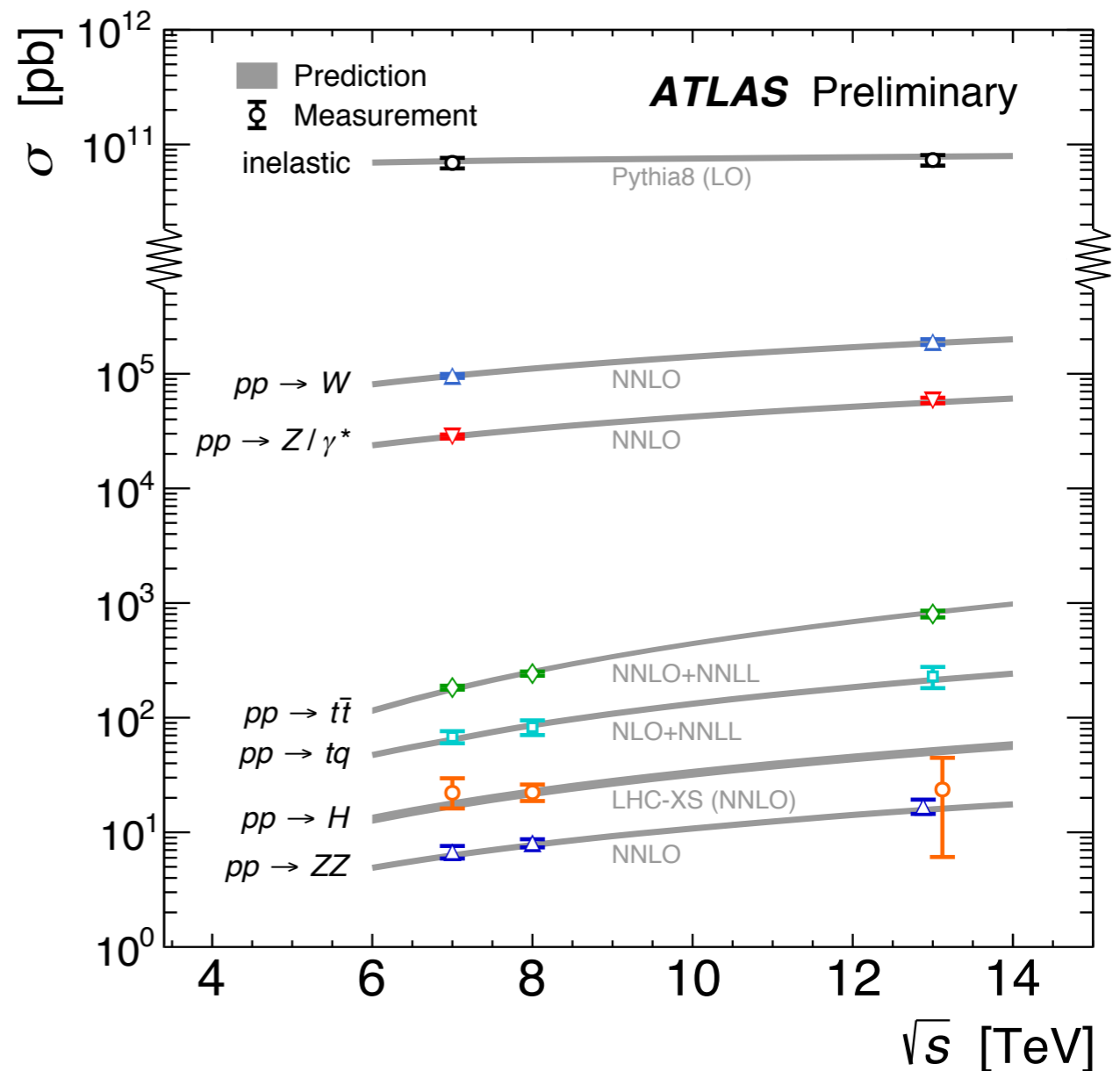
# Higgs Production Cross Sections

Tiny probability to produce Higgs bosons:  
 1 Higgs boson per  $10^{12}$  collisions

$$\sigma_{\text{inelastic}} \sim \sigma_{\text{Higgs}} \times 10^{10}$$

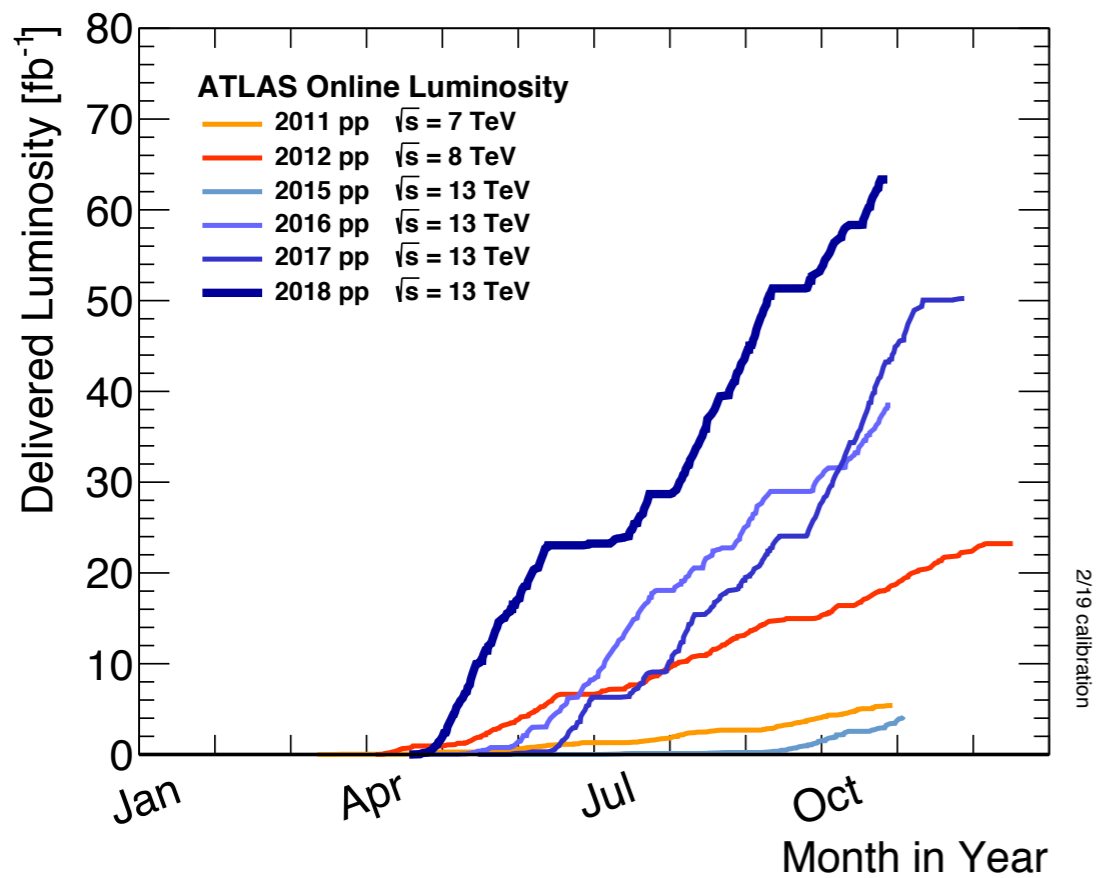
$$\sigma_W \sim \sigma_{\text{Higgs}} \times 10^4$$

$$\sigma_{\text{top}} \sim \sigma_{\text{Higgs}} \times 10$$



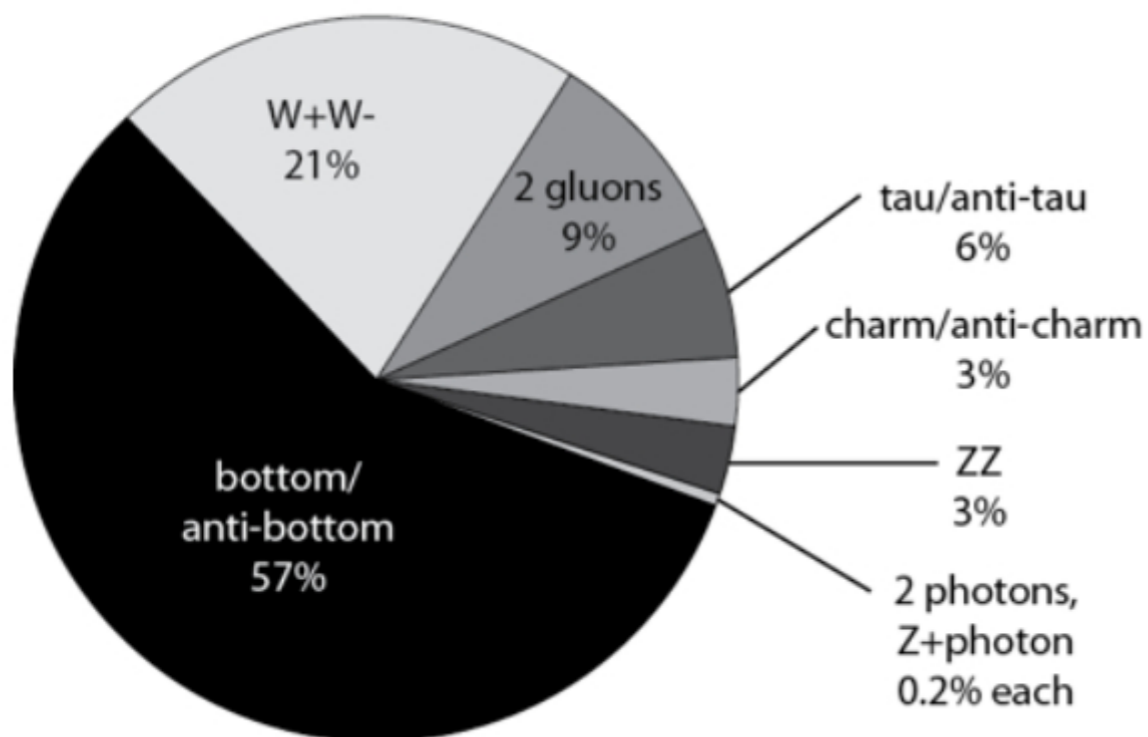
**Challenge:** separating the Higgs boson signal from background processes

# Higgs Boson Decays



Year	produced Higgs bosons
2011	83 000
2012	440 000
2015	190 000
2016	1 700 000
2017	2 200 000
2018	2 900 000

Decays of a 125 GeV Standard-Model Higgs boson



The Higgs boson decays with  $\tau \sim 10^{-22}$  s

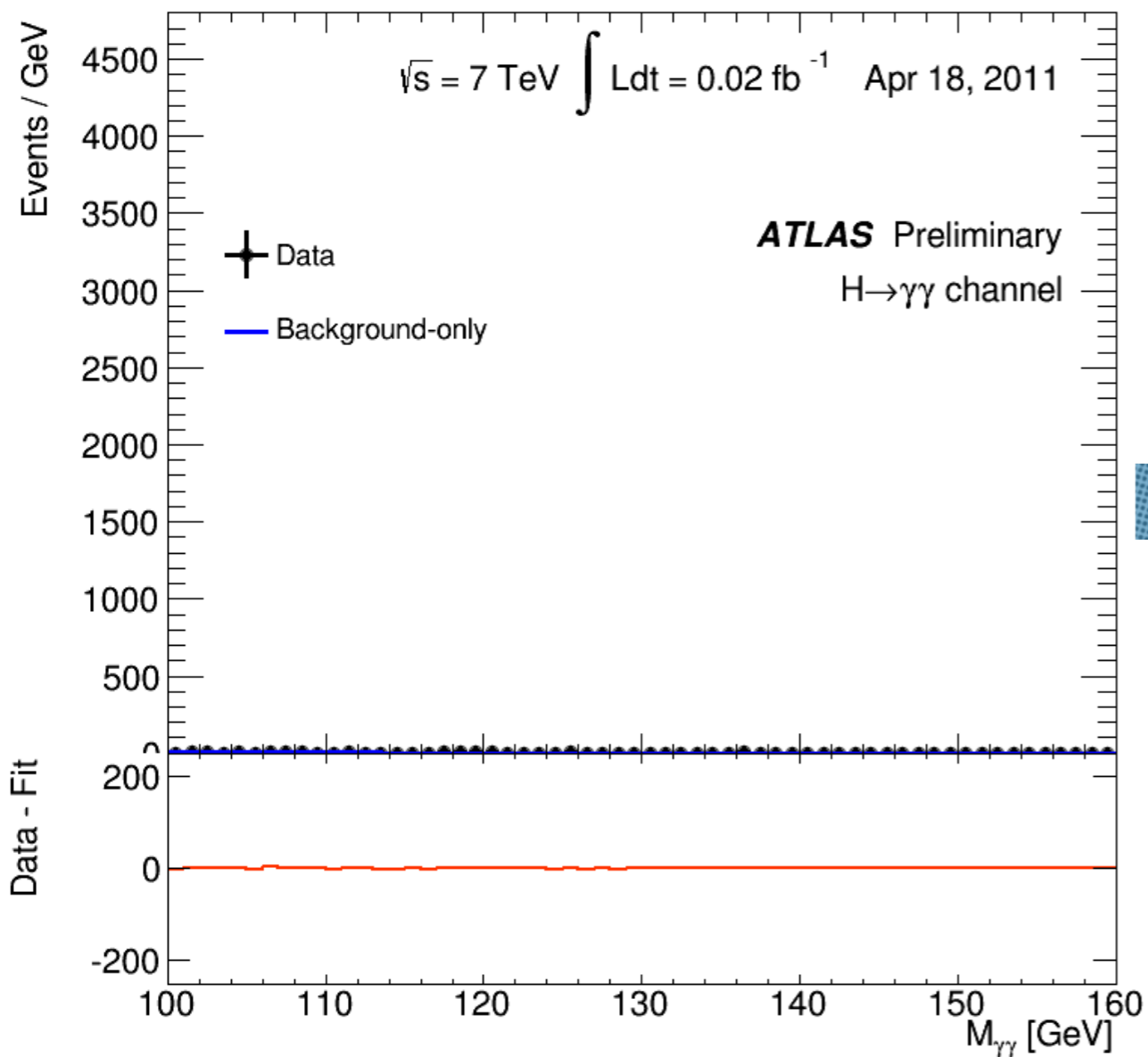
- only detectable through decay products

Most sensitive channels:

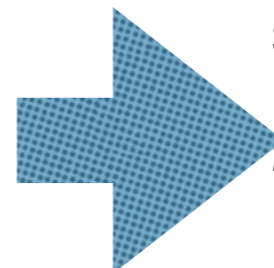
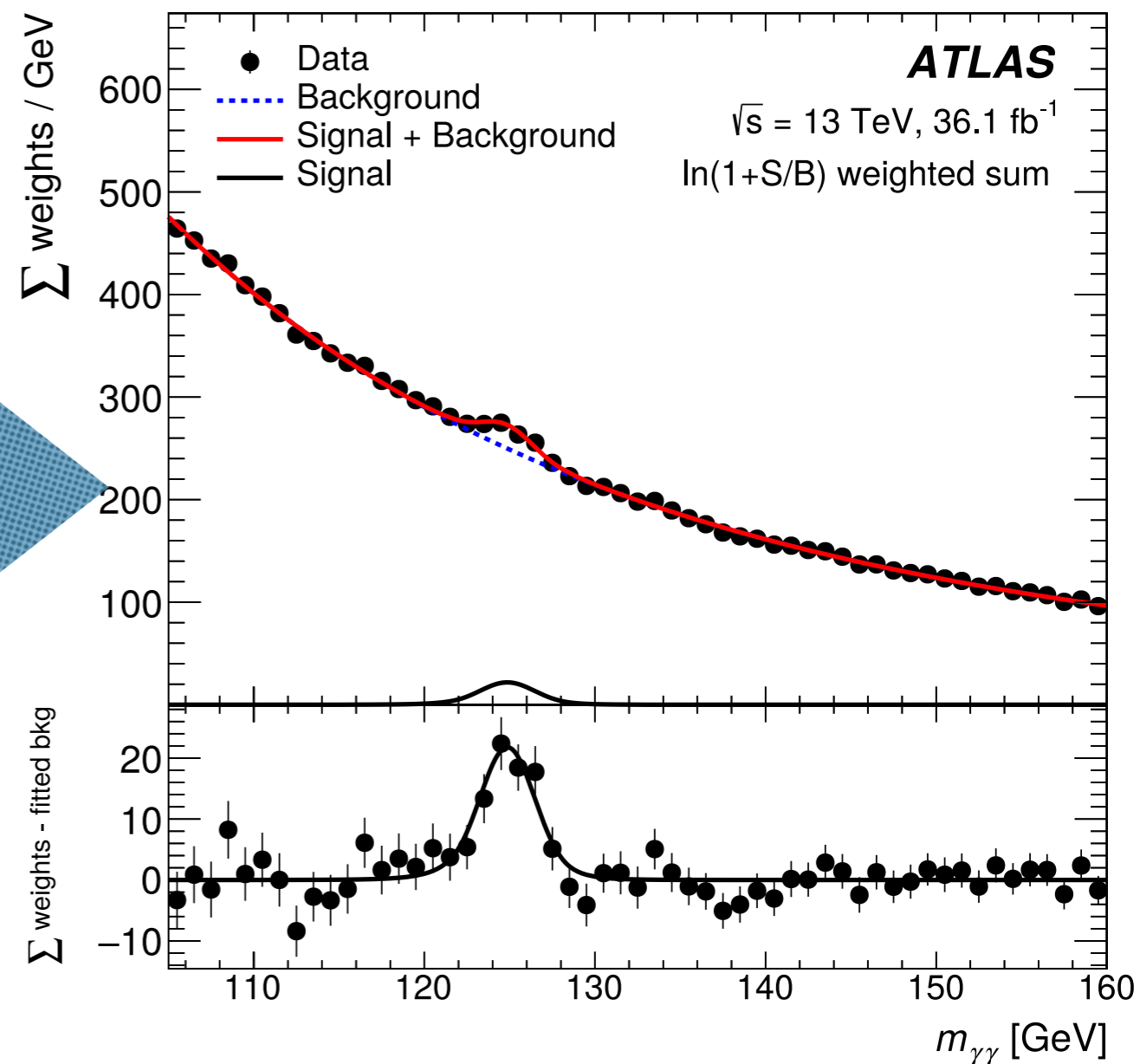
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  0.23%
- $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow llll$  0.028%

# Searching for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Run-1



Run-2

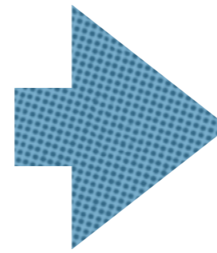
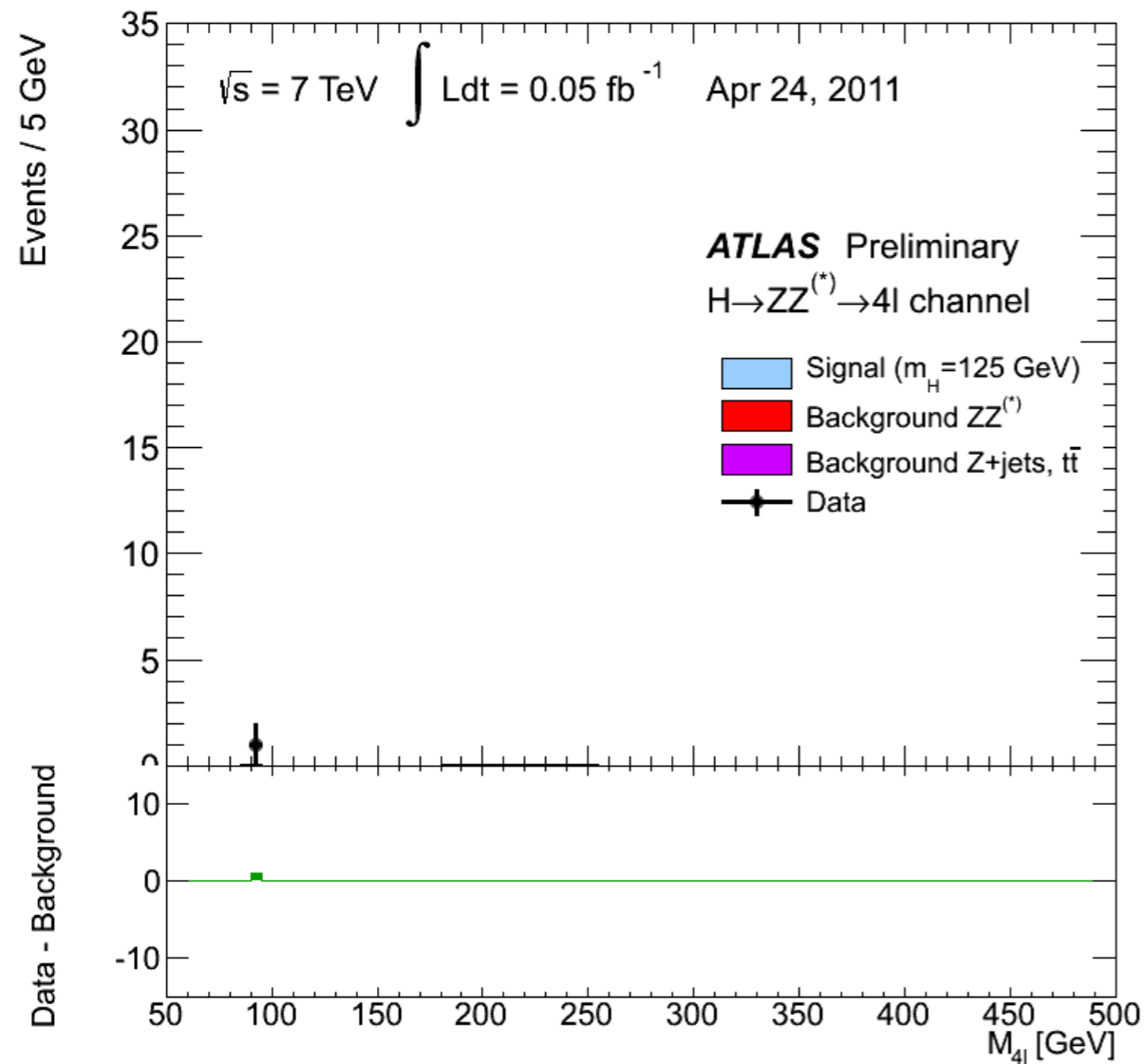


Similar results from the CMS experiment

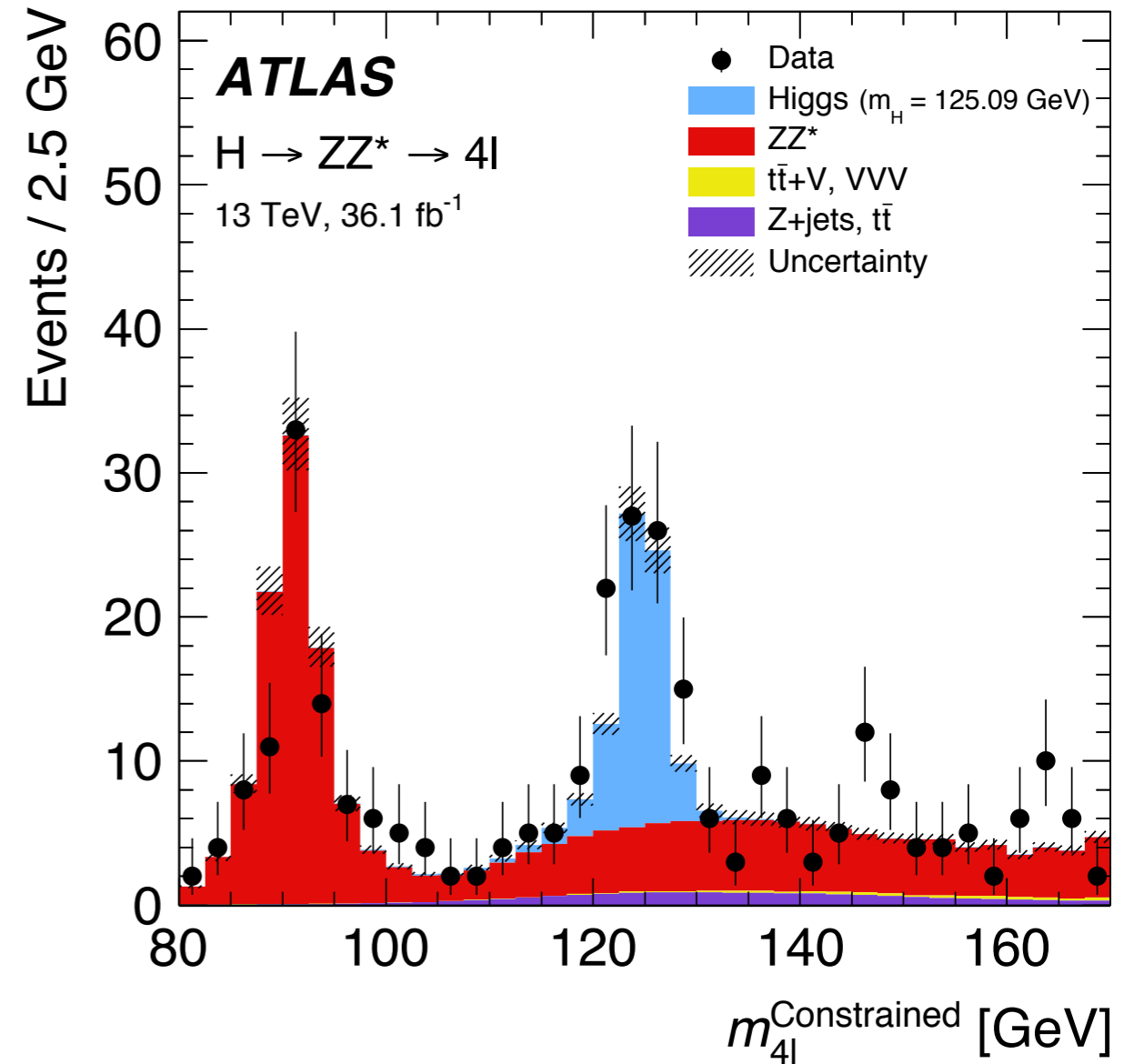


# Searching for $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow llll$

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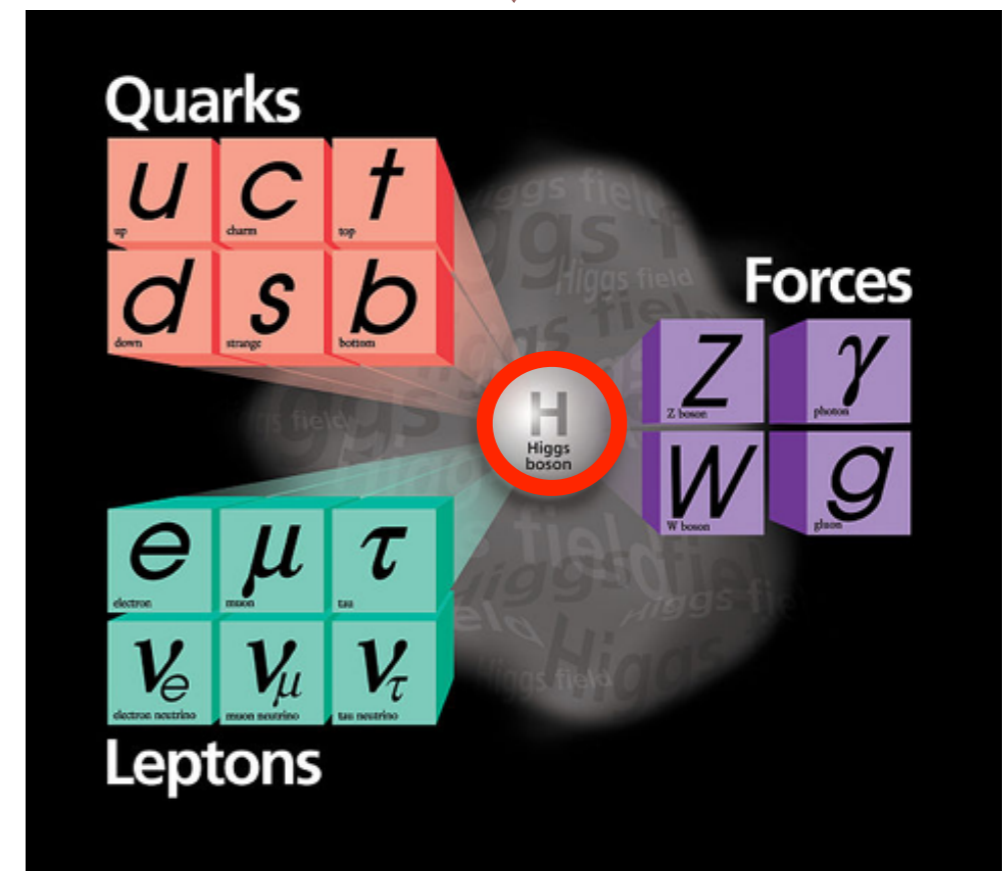
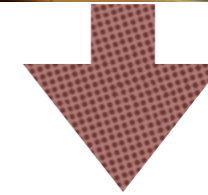
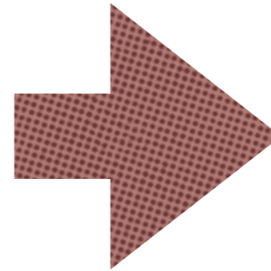
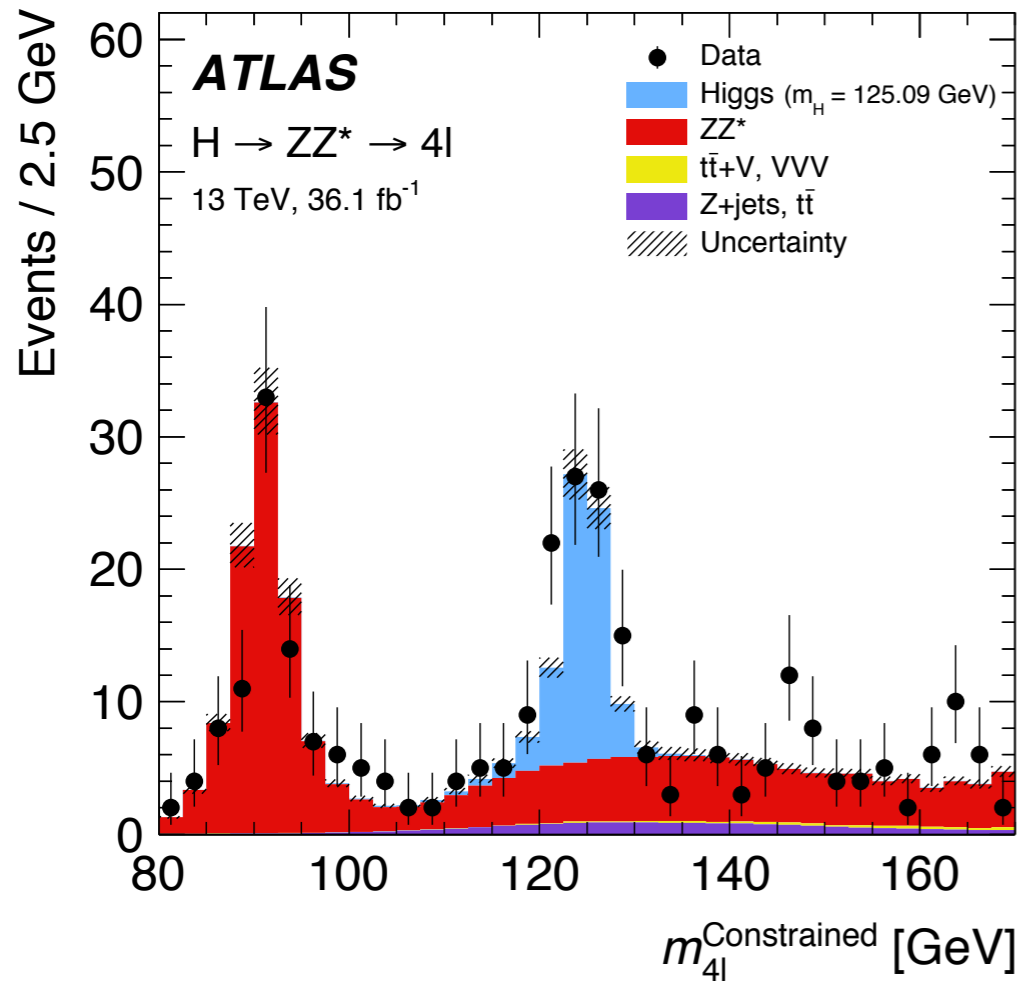


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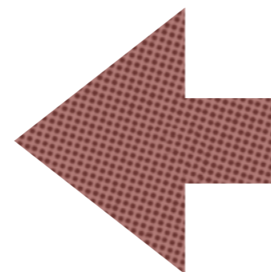


Similar results from the CMS experiment

# Reminder: Why do we care so much?



We finally can say how fundamental particles acquire their mass



# The Precision Era

Year	produced Higgs bosons	
2011	83 000	} <b>the discovery era</b>
2012	440 000	
2015	190 000	} <b>the precision era</b>
2016	1 700 000	
2017	2 200 000	
2018	2 900 000	

With the dataset in Run-2, what do we know about the Higgs boson?

- precision mass measurements
- extensive coupling measurements
- quantum numbers (spin, CP)
- searches for rare decays
- measuring the self-coupling

# Higgs Boson Mass Measurement

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**Fundamental property of any particle (invariant)**

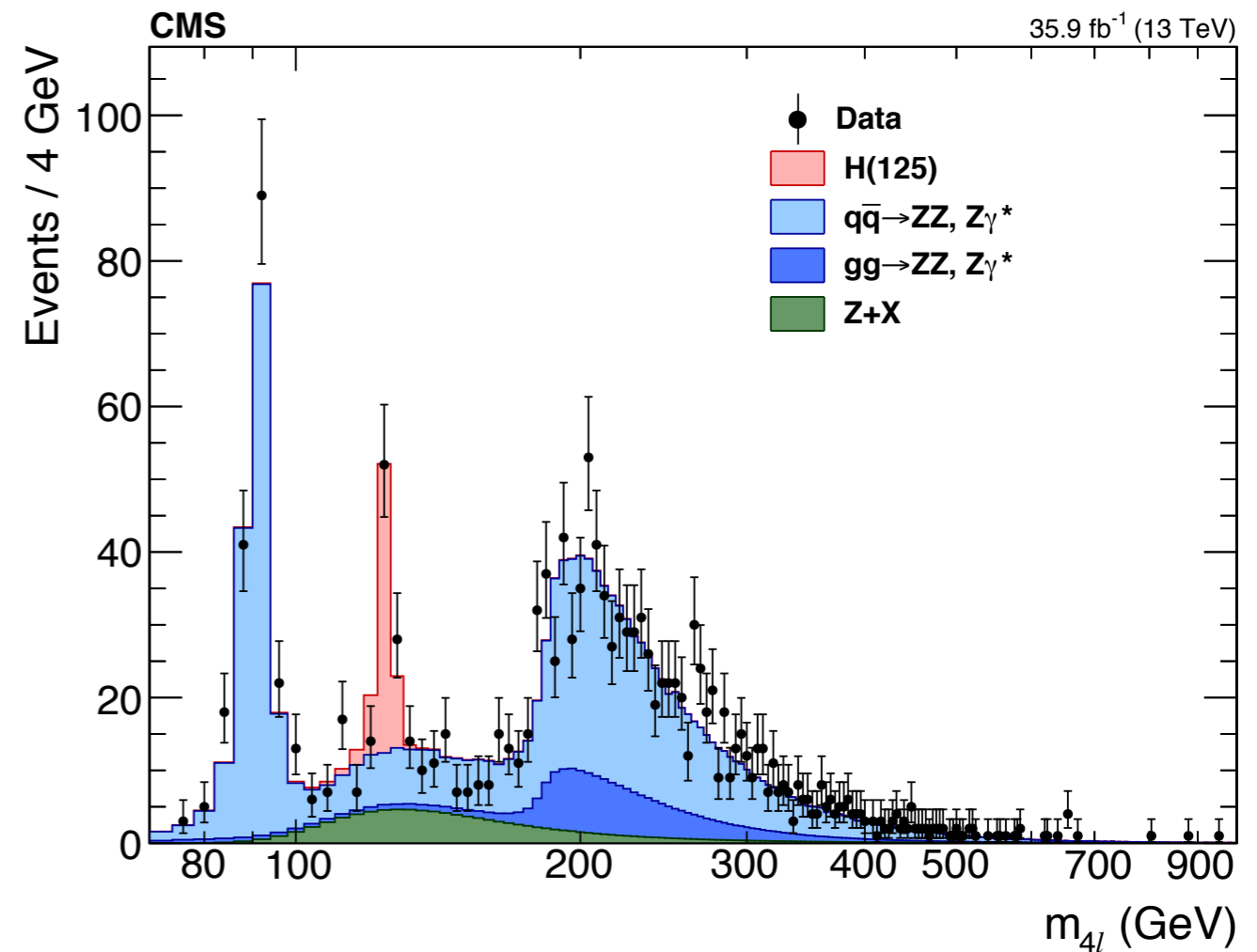
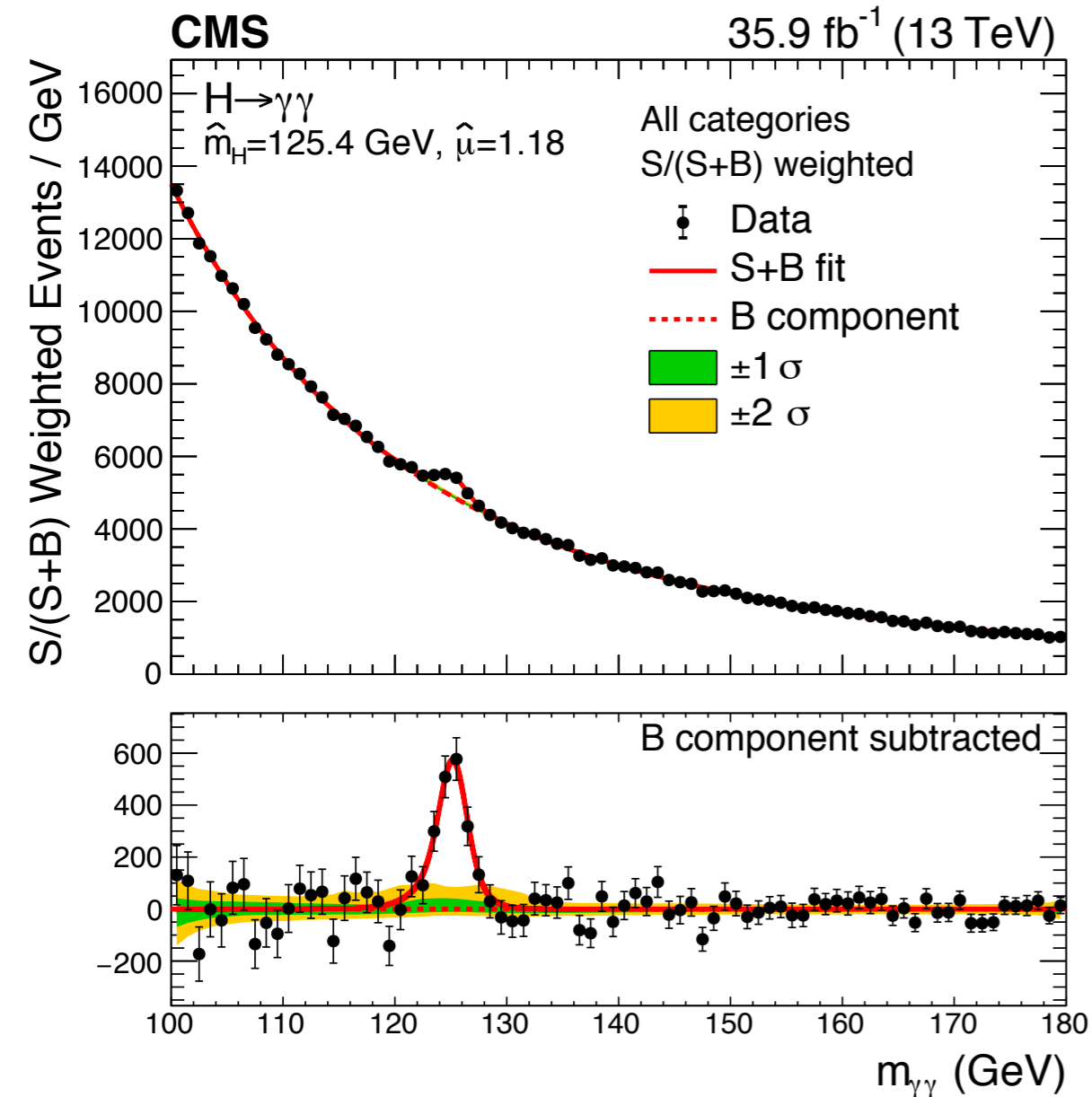
**The free parameter of the SM Higgs sector**

**Linked to Higgs potential and Higgs-self-coupling**



# Higgs Boson Mass Measurement

High Mass Resolution channels:  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $ZZ \rightarrow llll$

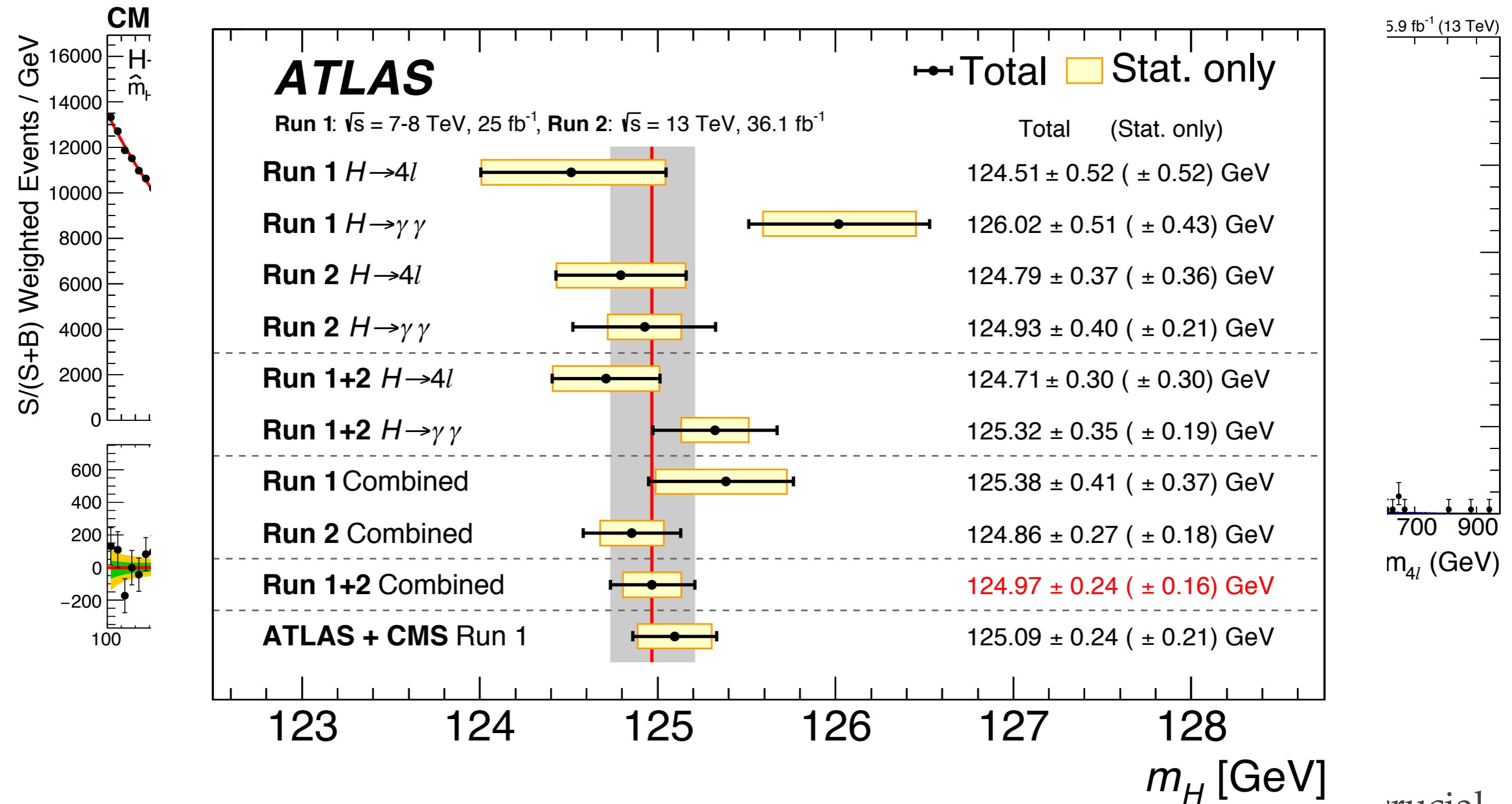


Maximum likelihood fit on  
invariant mass spectrum

Precise energy scale calibration crucial

# Higgs Boson Mass Measurement

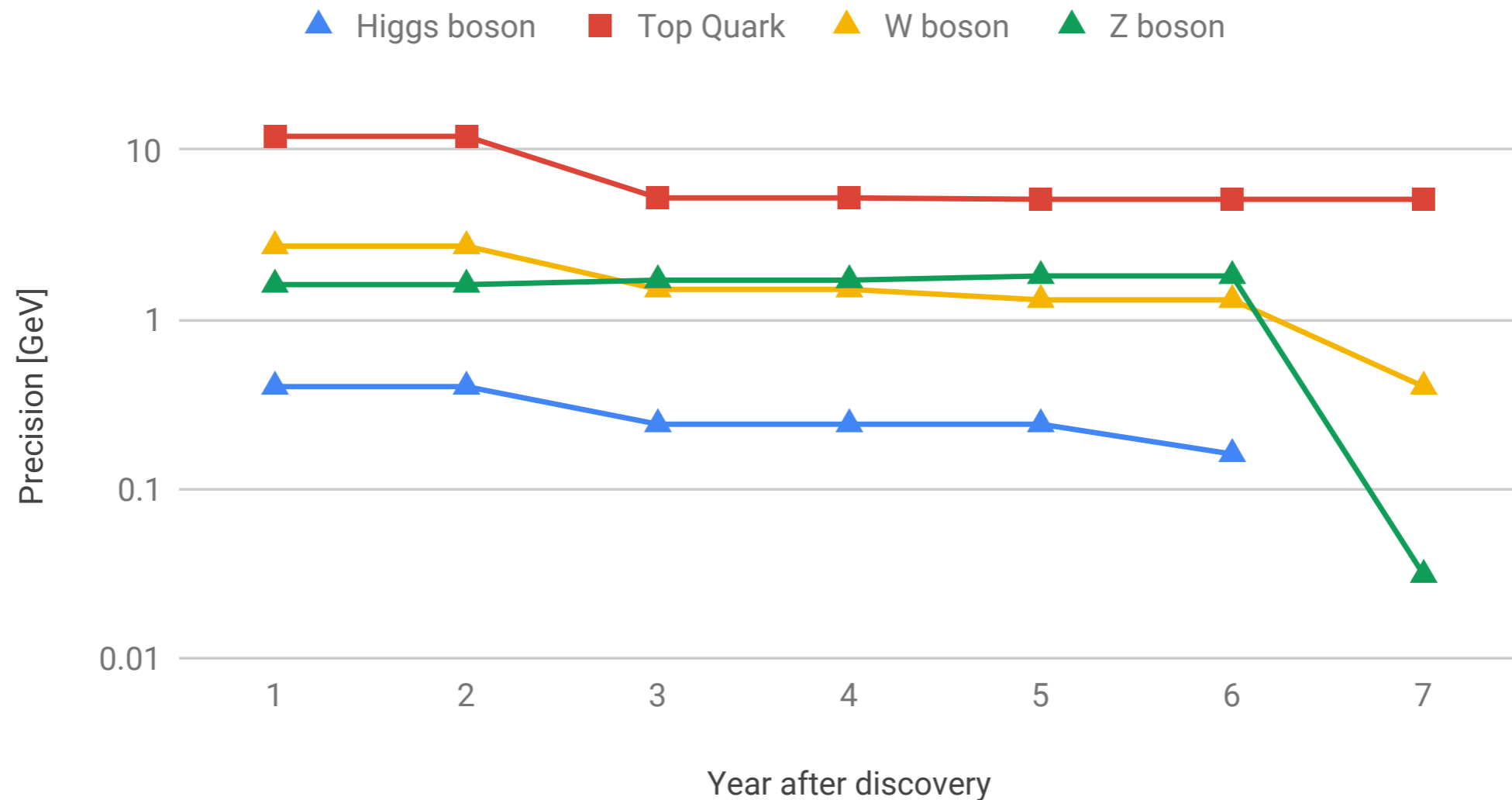
High Mass Resolution channels:  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $ZZ \rightarrow llll$



crucial

# Precision of Mass Measurements

Mass Precision vs Time



Current Precision	W	Z	top	Higgs
$\Delta m / m$ (%)	0.014	0.002	0.23	0.13

# Higgs Boson Couplings

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**Predicted for all SM particles  
for a given  $m_H$**

**Determine Higgs Boson  
Phenomenology & Experimental  
Signatures**

**Sensitive to Beyond-Standard-Model  
Phenomena coupling to Higgs Sector**





# Does the Higgs boson couple to fermions?

ATLAS/CMS claimed observation of new particle decaying to  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $ZZ$ ,  $WW$  (all bosons)

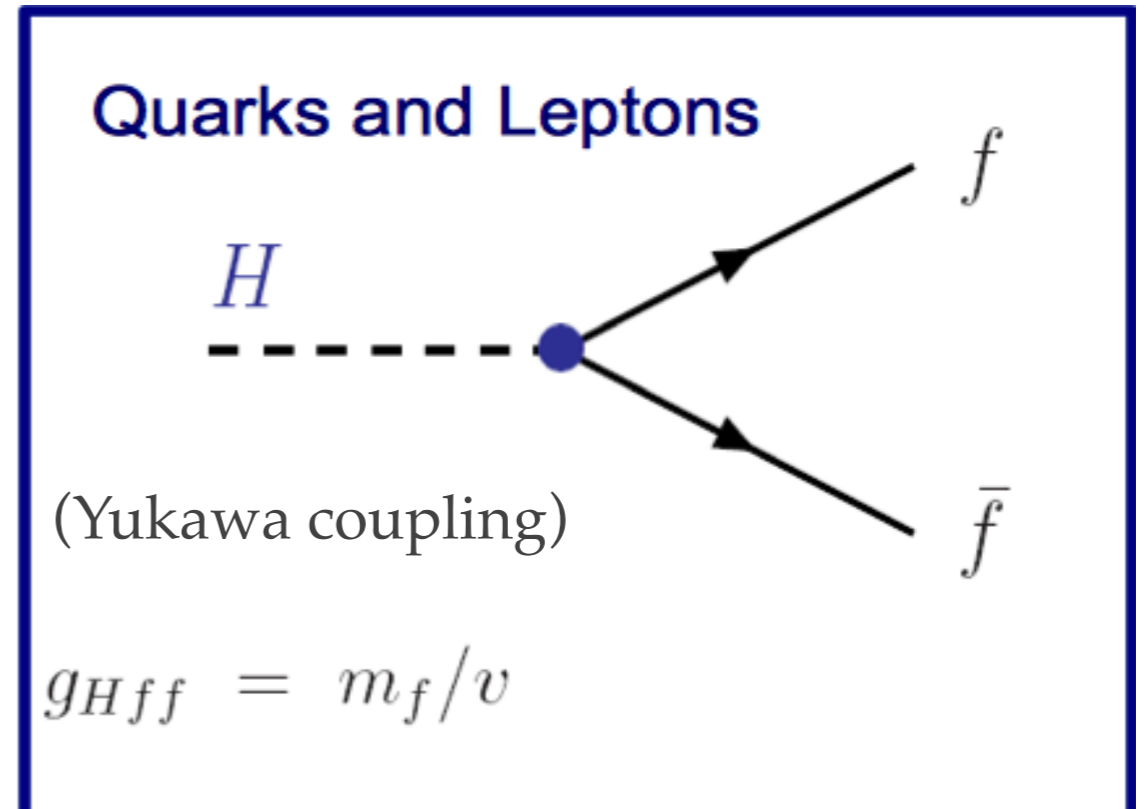
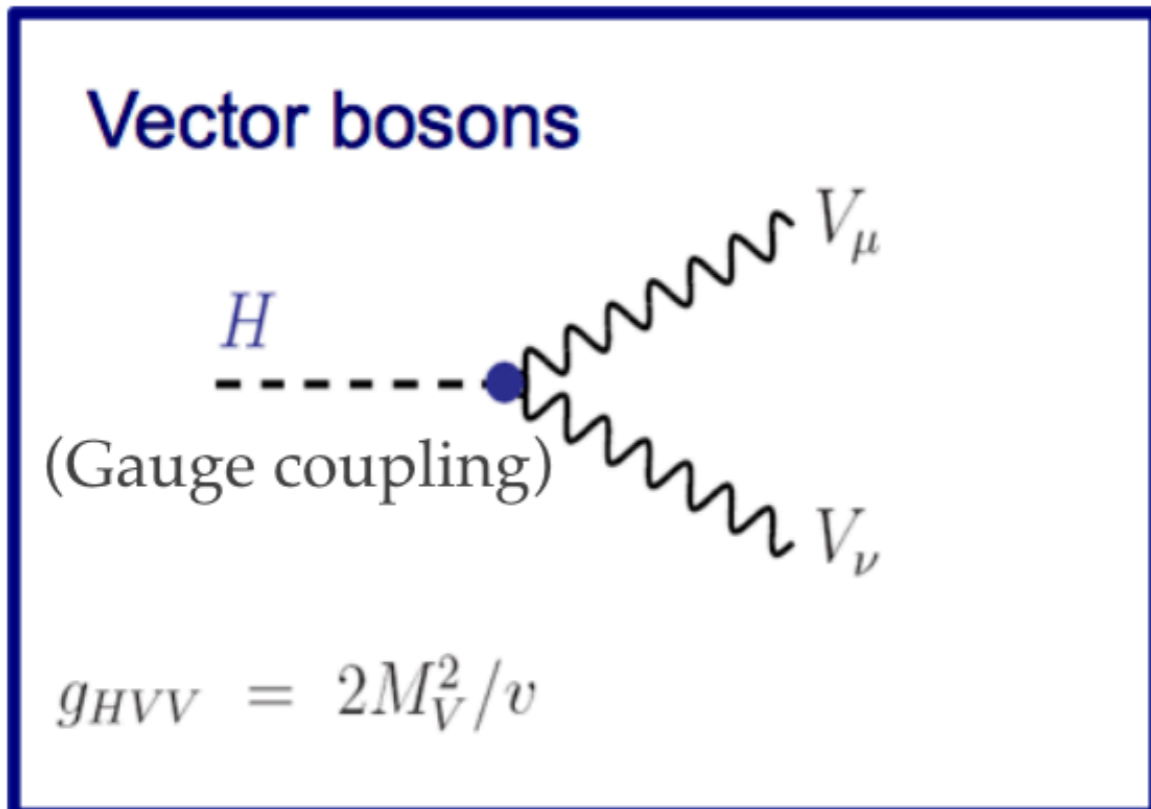
- particle is a boson
- particle couples to vector bosons

Does particle couple to fermions? (quarks and leptons)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{bosonic}} = (D_\mu \phi)(D^\mu \phi)$$

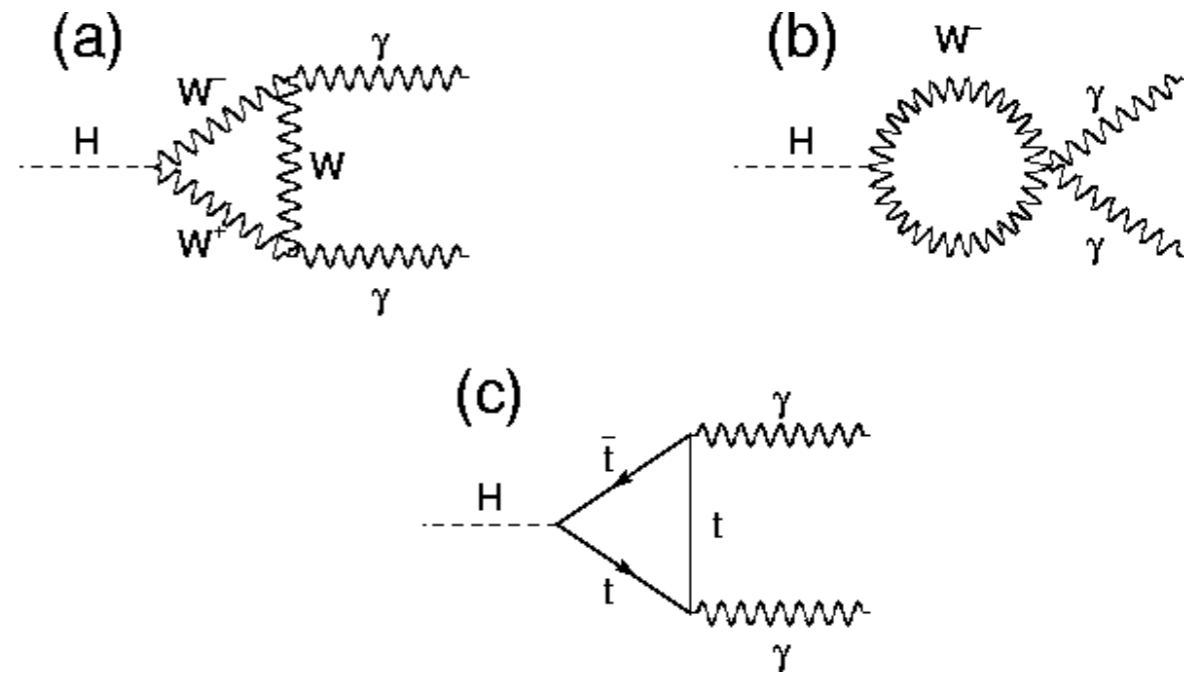
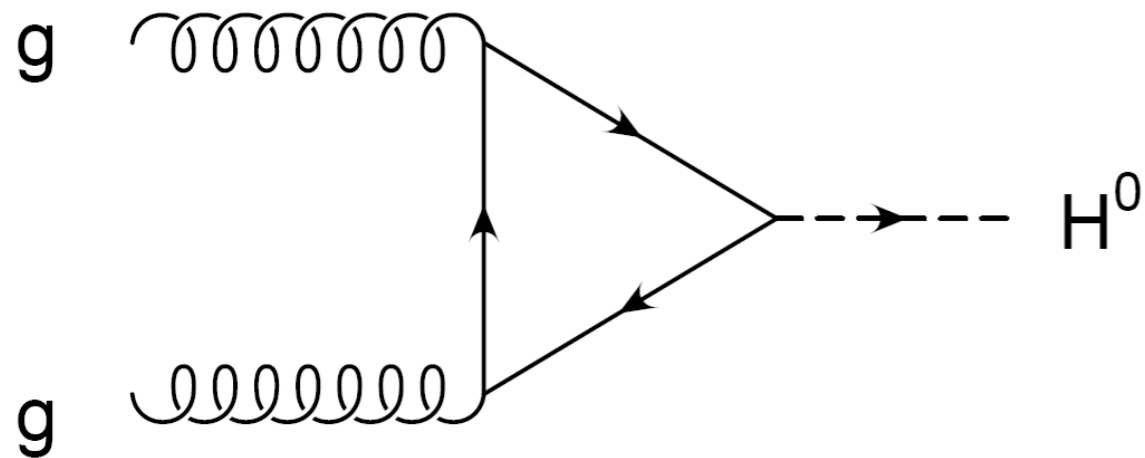
$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ig_W \mathbf{T} \cdot \mathbf{W}_\mu + ig' Y B_\mu / 2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{fermionic}} = -g_f [\bar{L}\phi R + (\bar{L}\phi R)^\dagger]$$

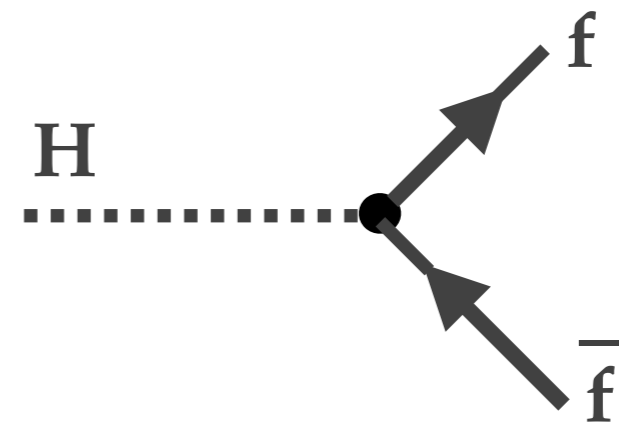
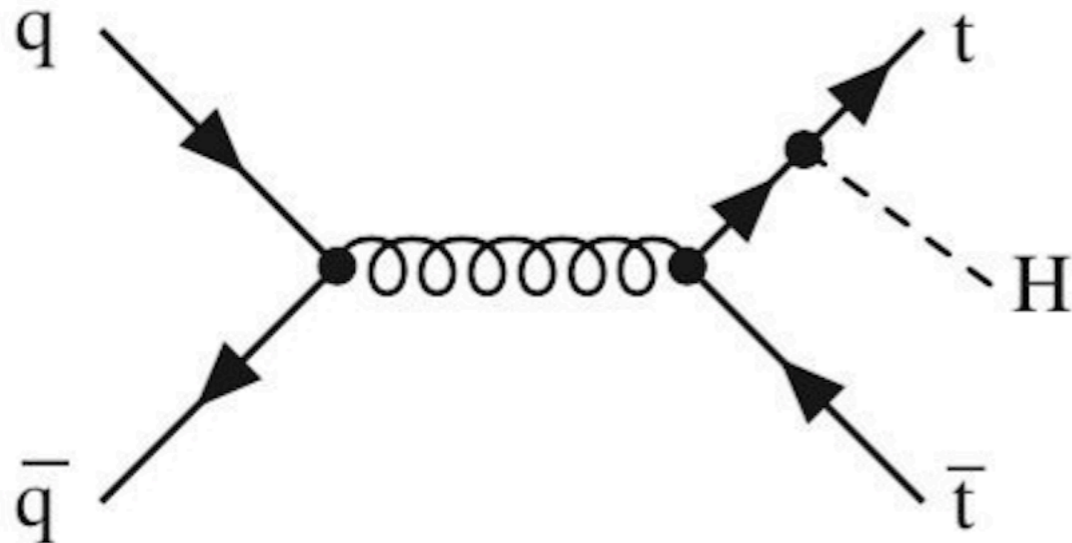


# How to prove fermion couplings?

Suspect Higgs-quark couplings due to indirect evidence



Direct evidence requires verifying Higgs-fermion couplings through real (non-virtual) particles



**Search for  $ttH$  production**

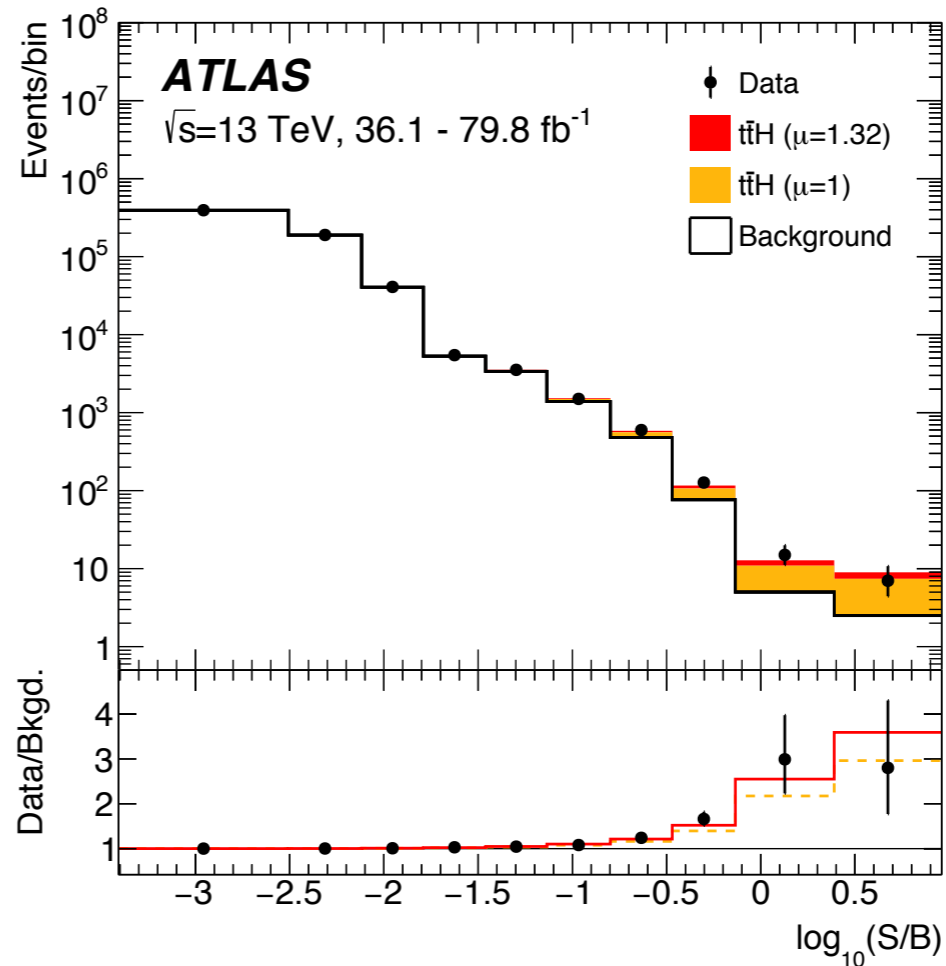
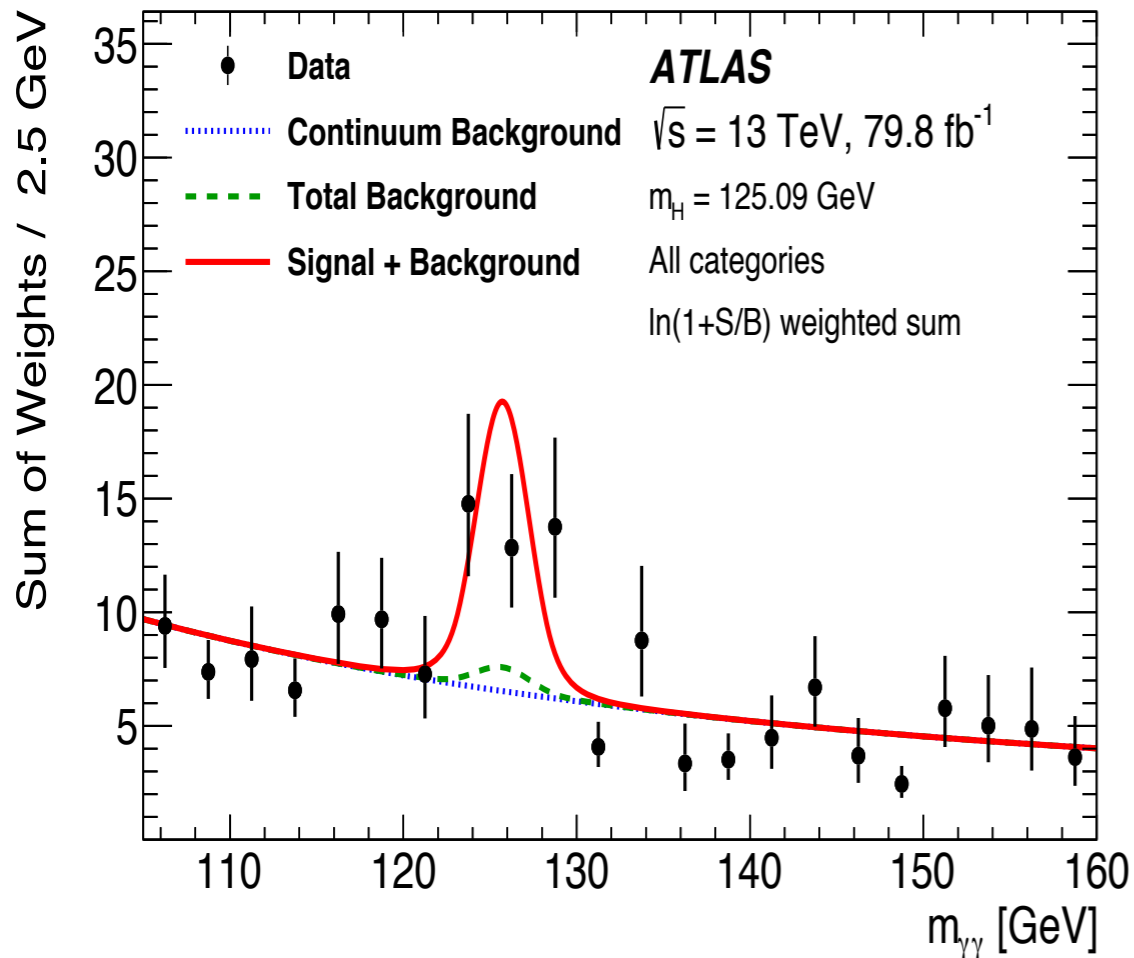
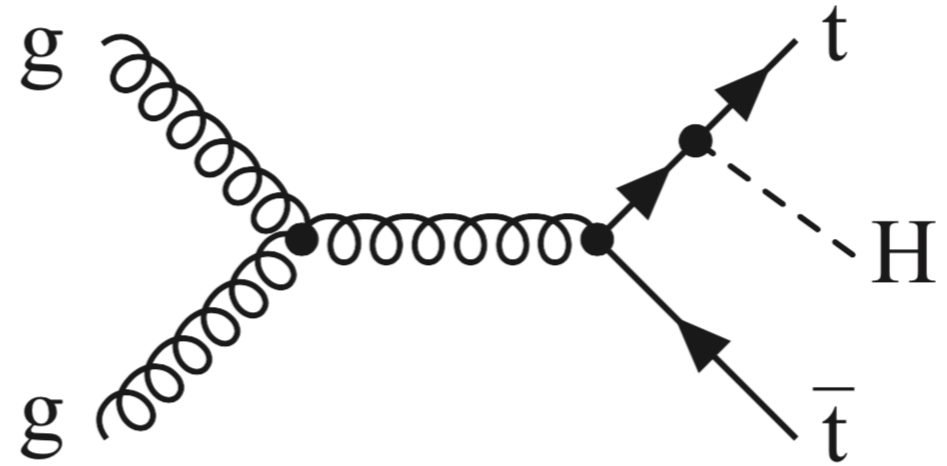
**Search for  $H \rightarrow bb$  and  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  decays**

# ttH production

Extremely low cross-section

Combine different decay channels:

- diphoton final state +  $t\bar{t}$
- multi-lepton final state +  $t\bar{t}$
- $b\bar{b}$  final state +  $t\bar{t}$



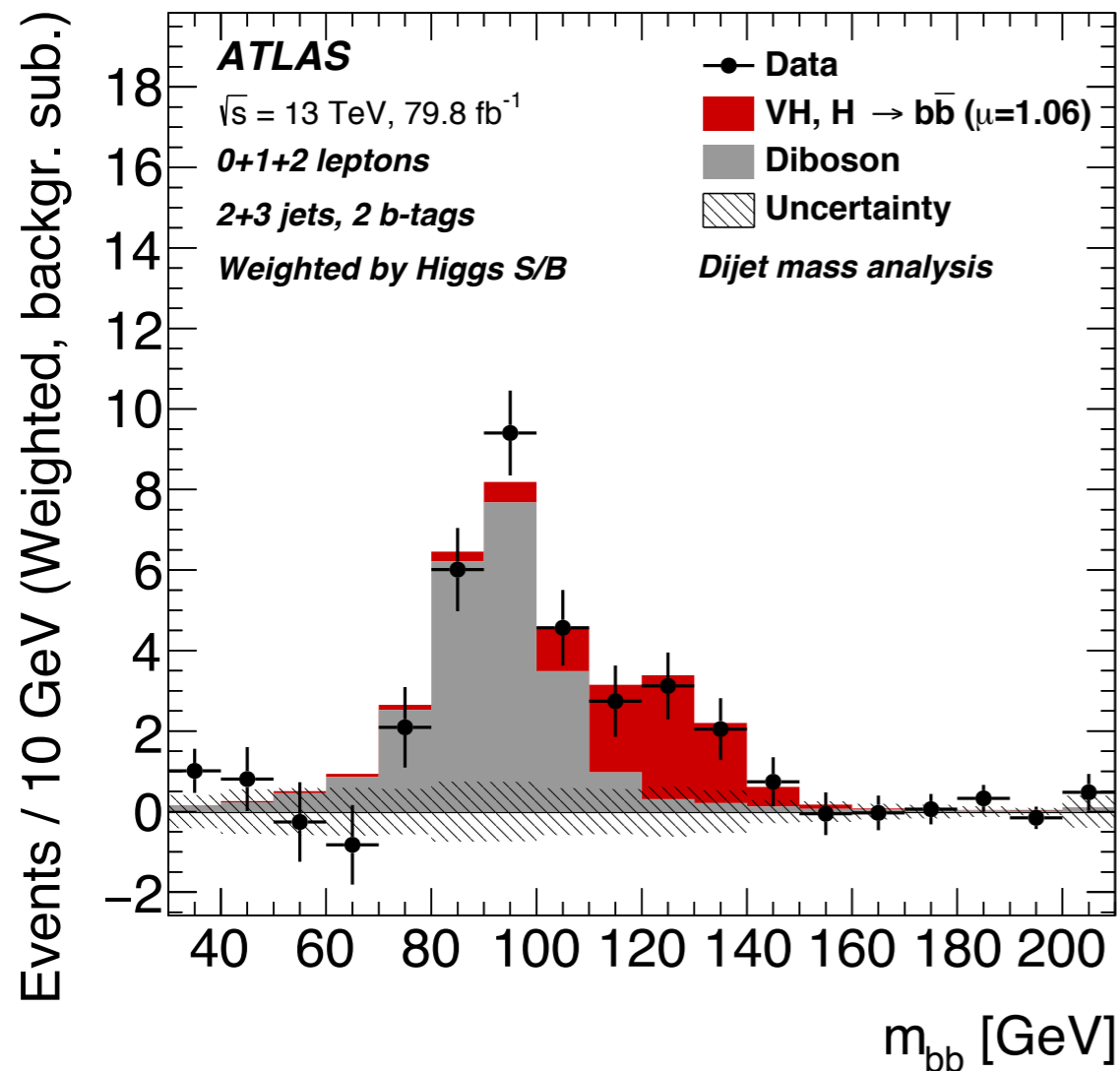
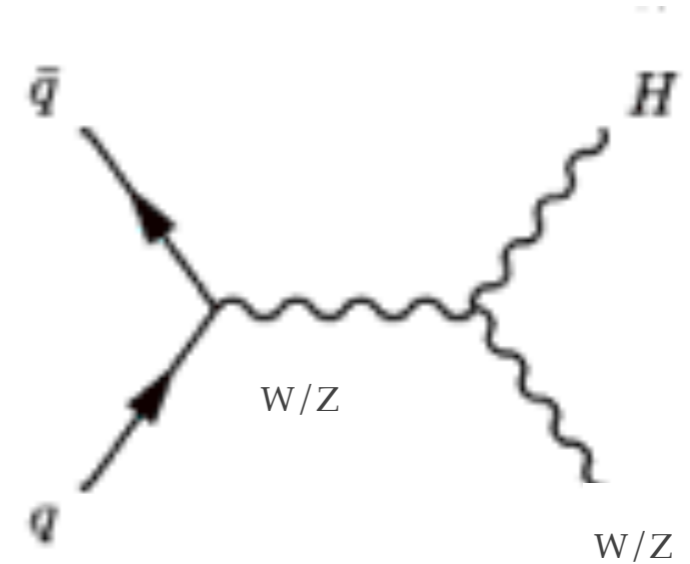
ATLAS: **5.8 $\sigma$**  (4.9 $\sigma$ )

CMS: **5.2 $\sigma$**  (4.2 $\sigma$ )

# H $\rightarrow$ bb decays (BR $\sim$ 58%)

## Analysis strategy

- need excellent b-jet tagging
- target VH production to reduce background
- categorization / multi-variate discriminants used
- special techniques to improve  $m_{bb}$  resolution



Combine VH production mode with results from VBF and ttH production

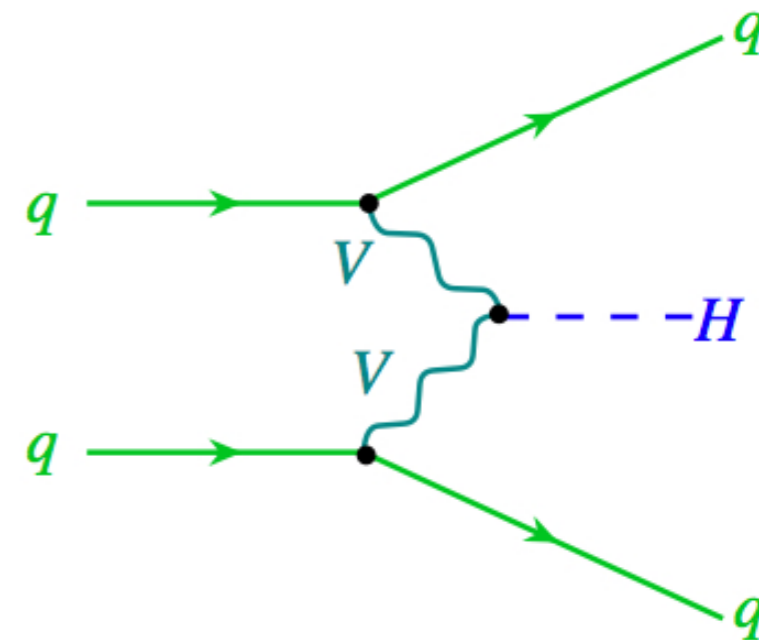
ATLAS: **5.5 $\sigma$**  (5.4 $\sigma$ )

CMS: **5.6 $\sigma$**  (5.5 $\sigma$ )

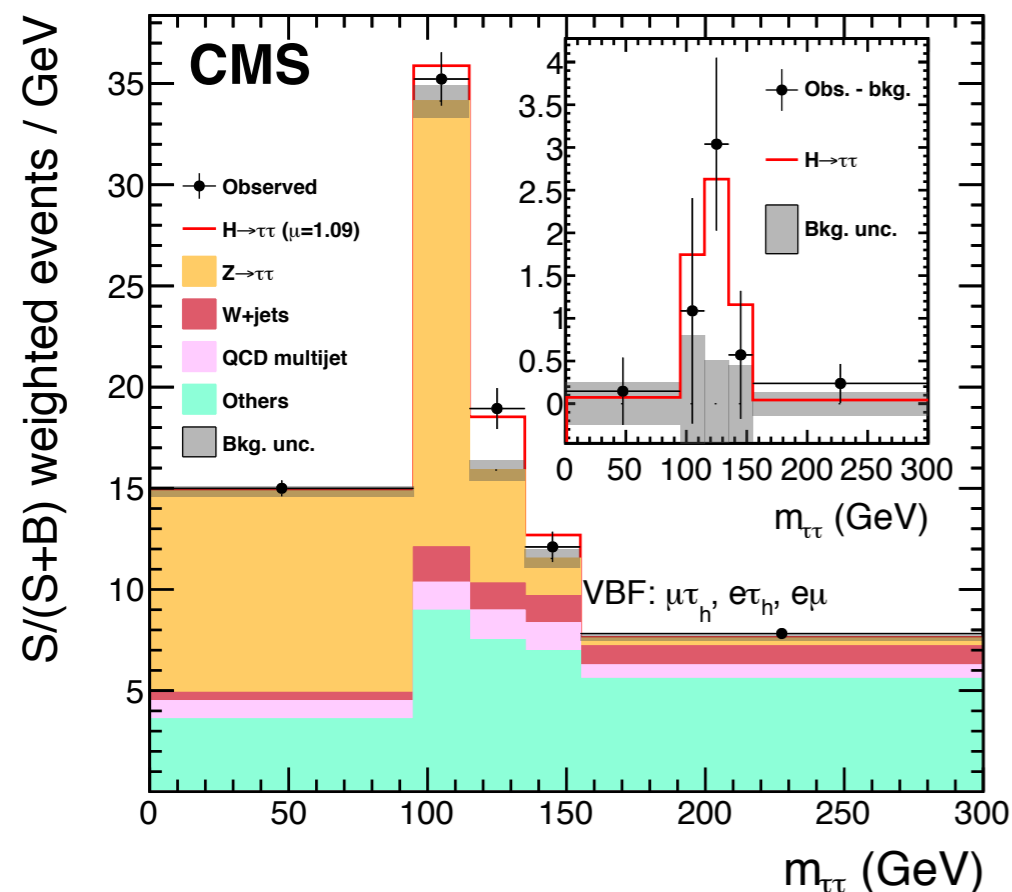
# H → ττ decays (BR ~ 6%)

## Analysis strategy

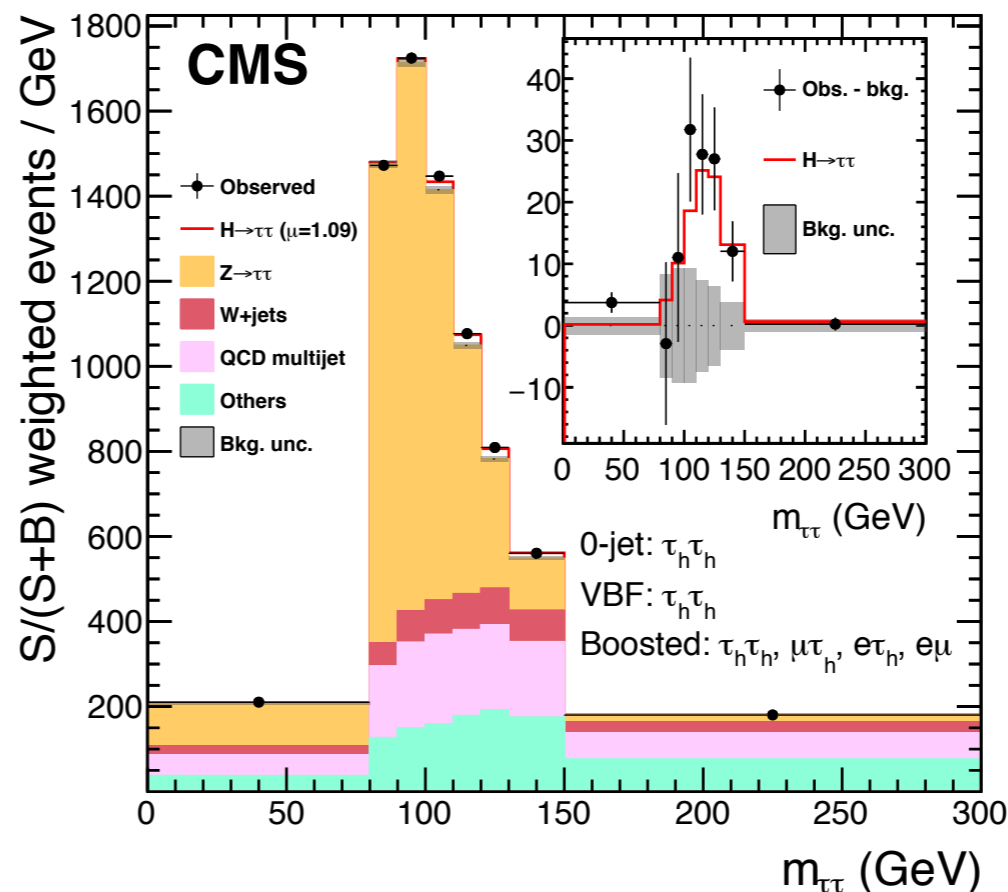
- need excellent τ lepton identification
- target VBF production to reduce background
- categorization / multi-variate discriminants used
- missing energy from neutrinos taken into account in invariant mass reconstruction



35.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)



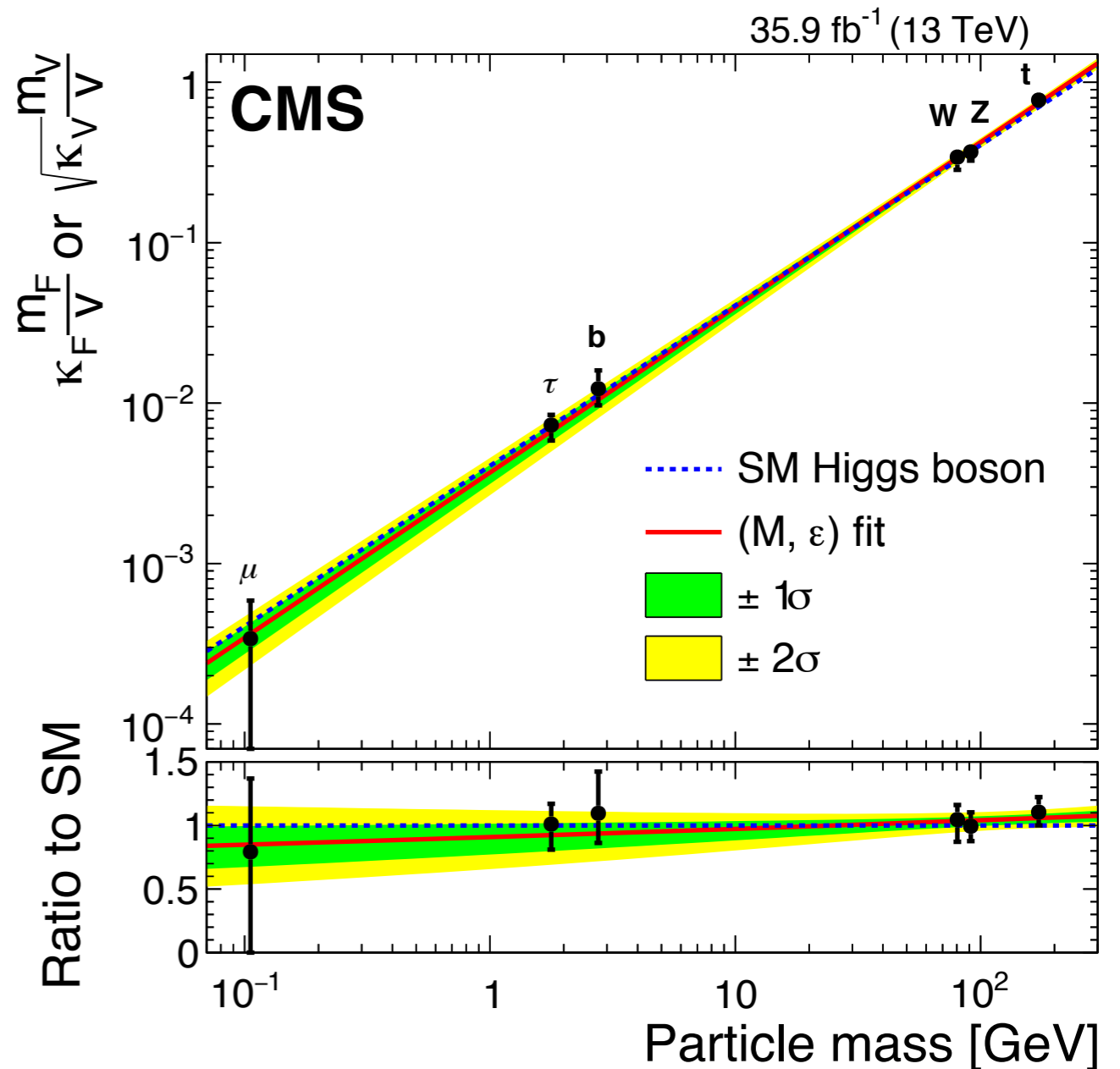
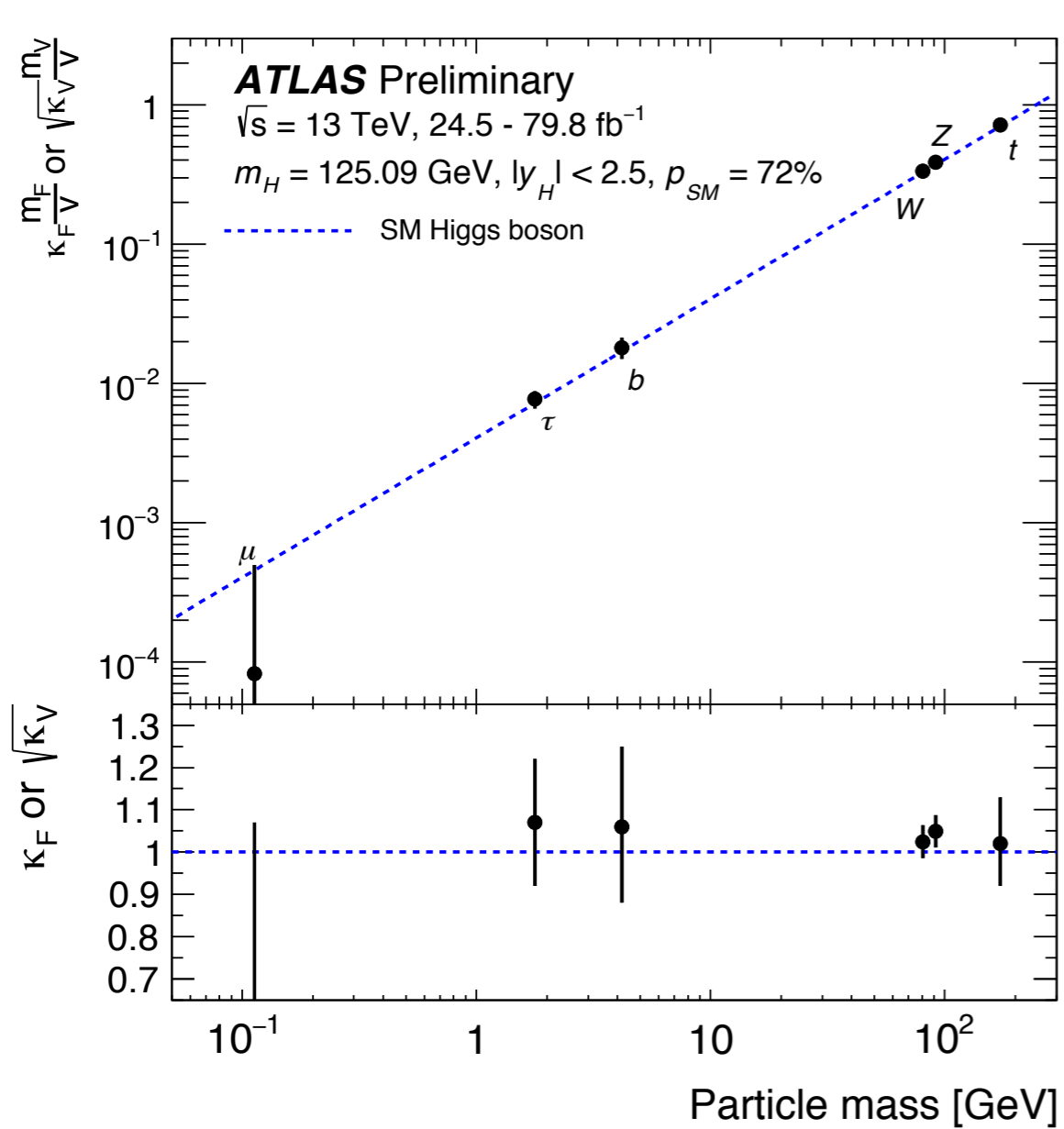
35.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)



ATLAS: **6.4σ** (5.4σ)

CMS: **5.9σ** (5.9σ)

# Summary of Higgs Couplings



This particle seems consistent with all predicted Standard Model couplings

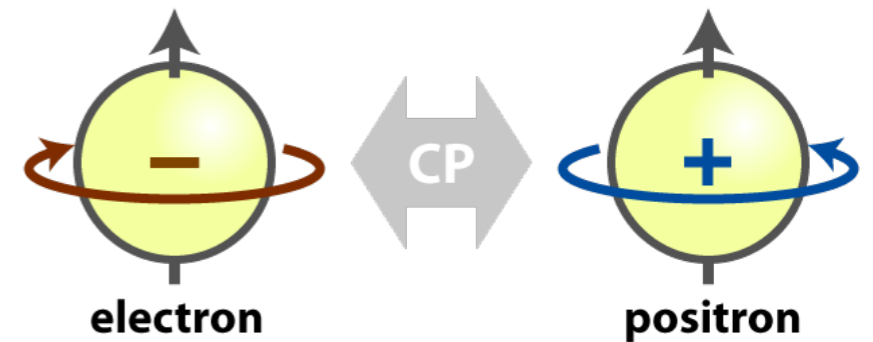
**Main Run-2 achievement: direct observation of Higgs-fermion couplings**

# Higgs Boson Quantum Numbers

Clear SM prediction for Higgs boson quantum numbers:  $J^{CP} = 0^+$

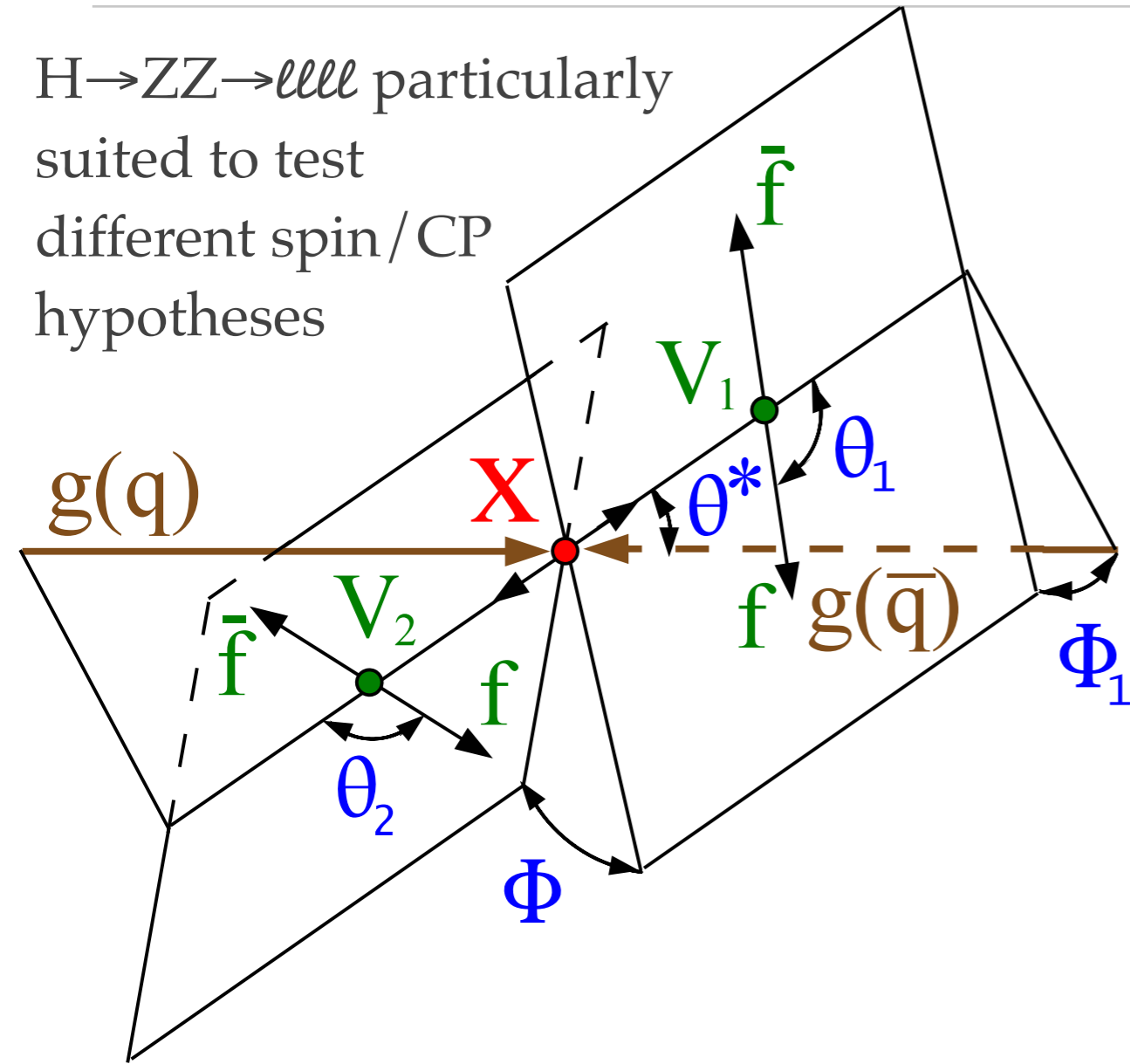
Spin/CP quantum numbers sensitive to angular correlations of Higgs boson production and decay products

Can use hypothesis testing to test SM prediction against alternatives



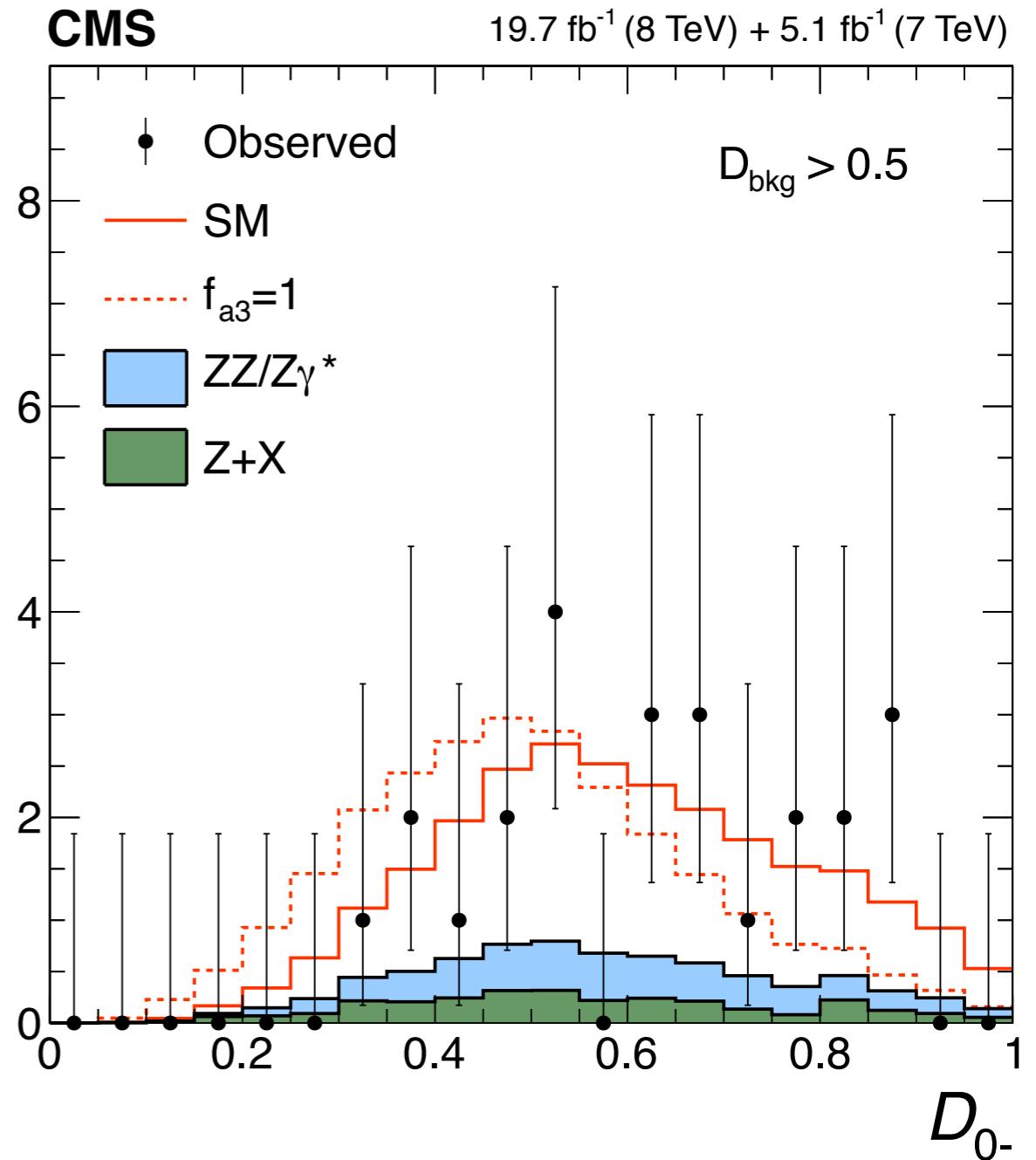
# Determining Quantum Numbers: Angular Correlations

$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow llll$  particularly suited to test different spin/CP hypotheses



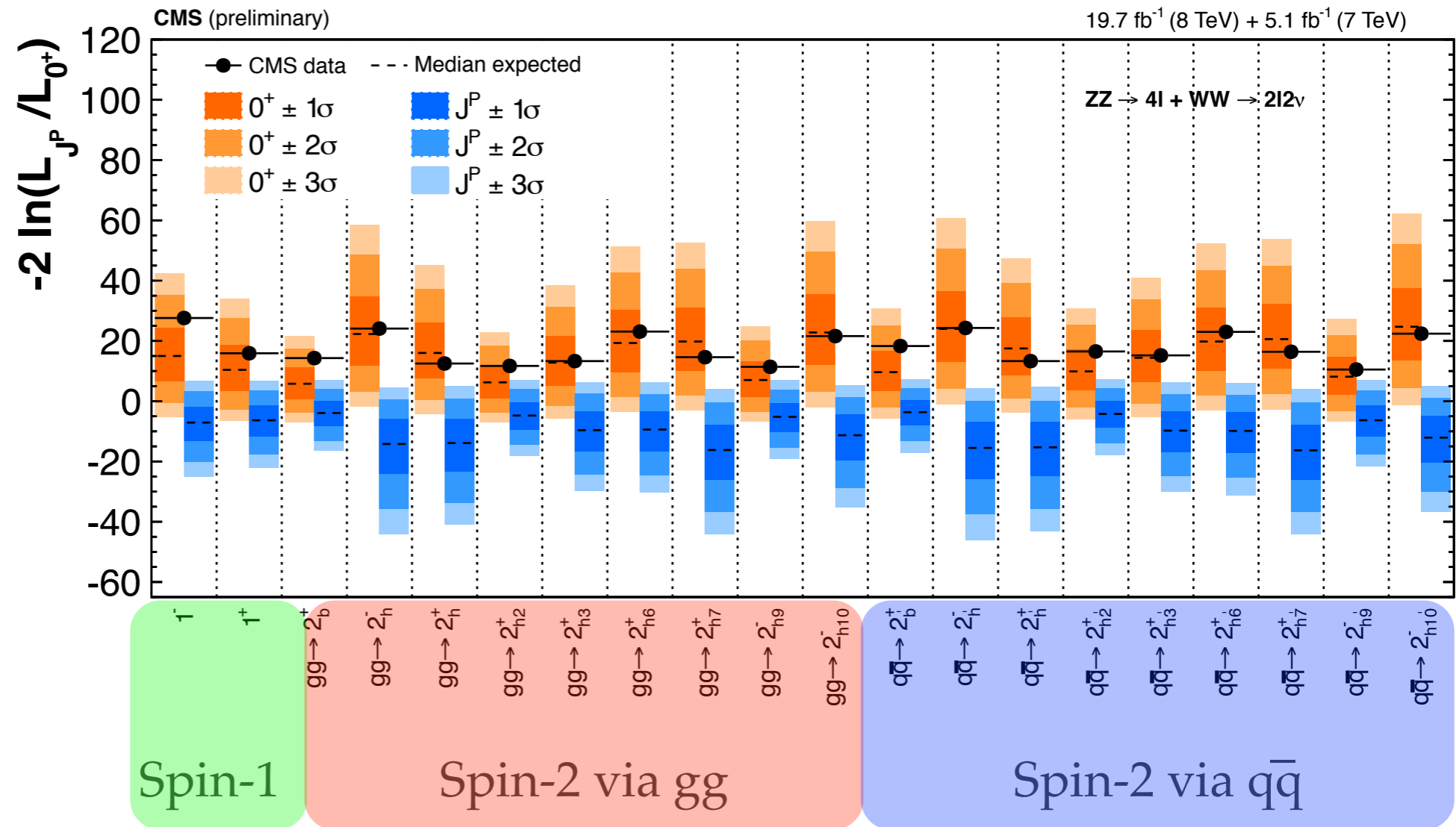
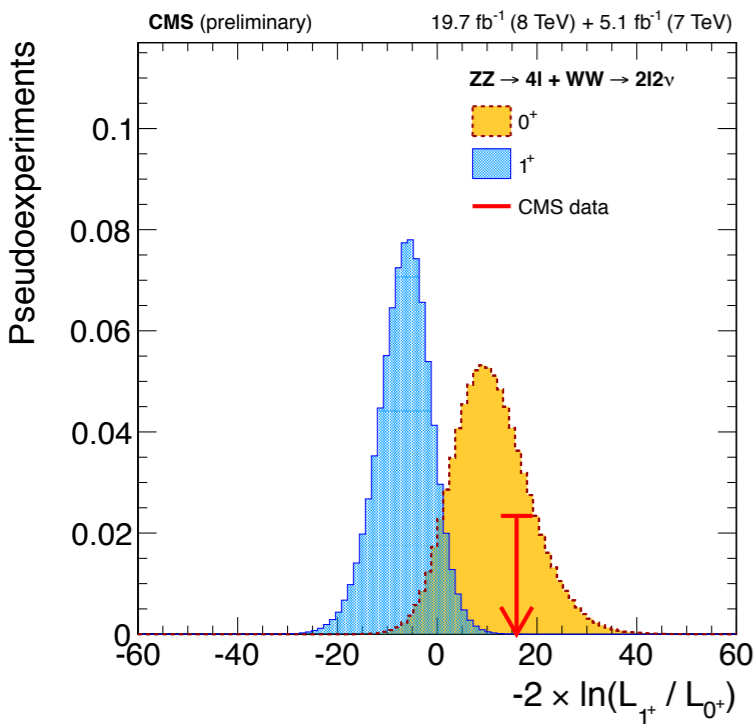
Form discriminants which exploit angular information to test against different spin/CP hypotheses

Events / 0.05





# Spin/CP Results



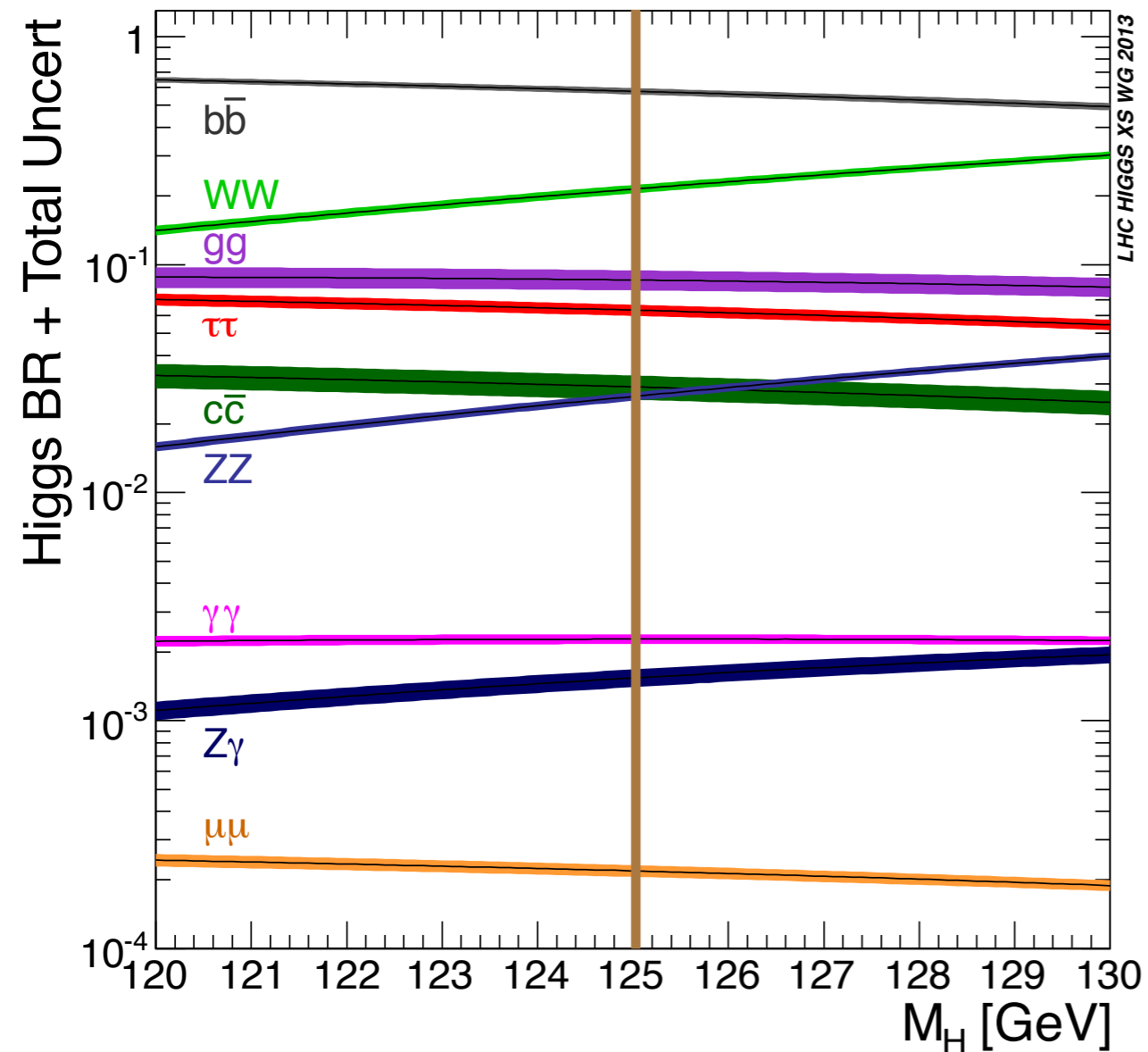
All alternative hypotheses excluded to more than 99.9% CL

Higgs boson very SM-like: **small non-SM admixture not yet excluded**

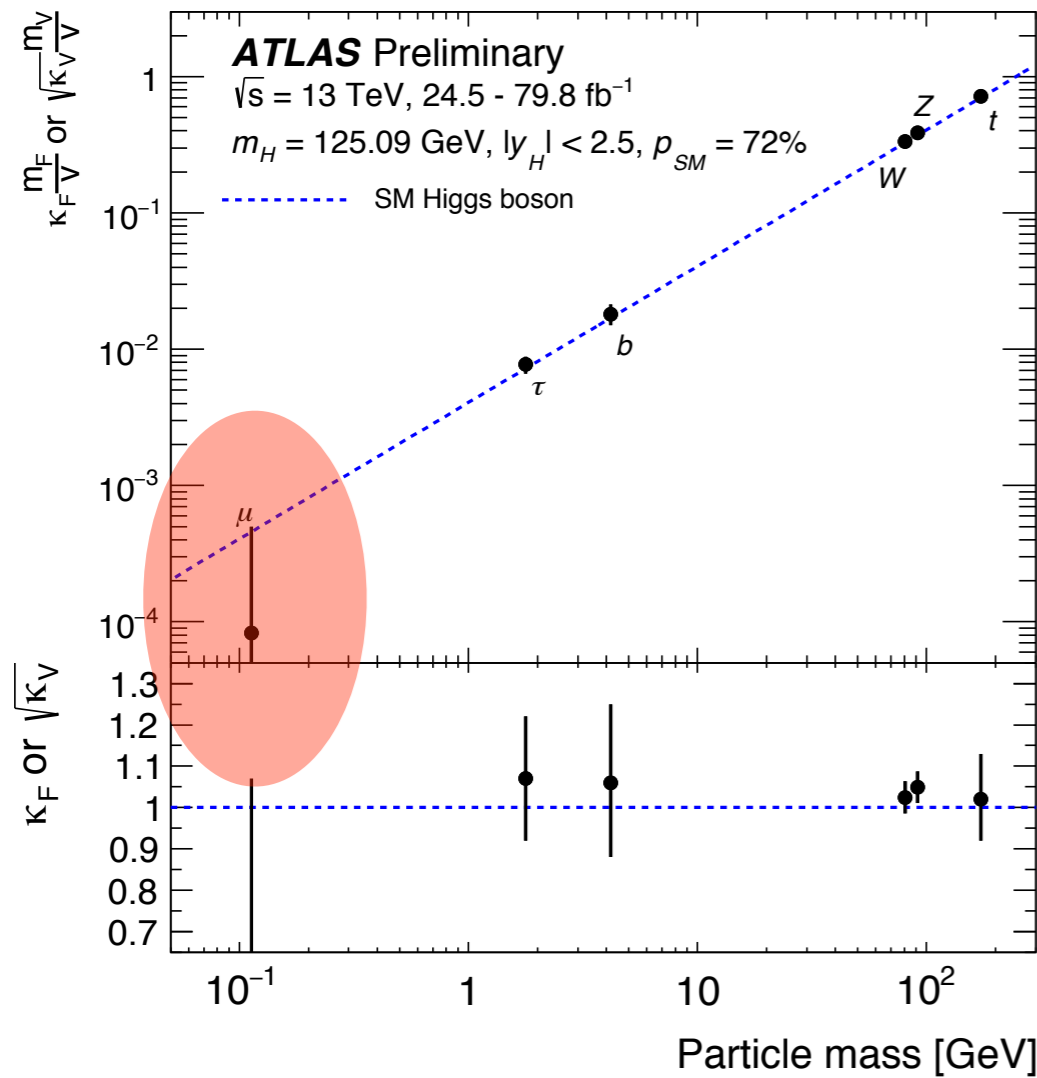
# Searches for Rare Higgs Boson Production & Decays

## Searches for rare SM decays

- $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$  (probe 2nd generation lepton coupling)
- $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$  (probe loop decay)

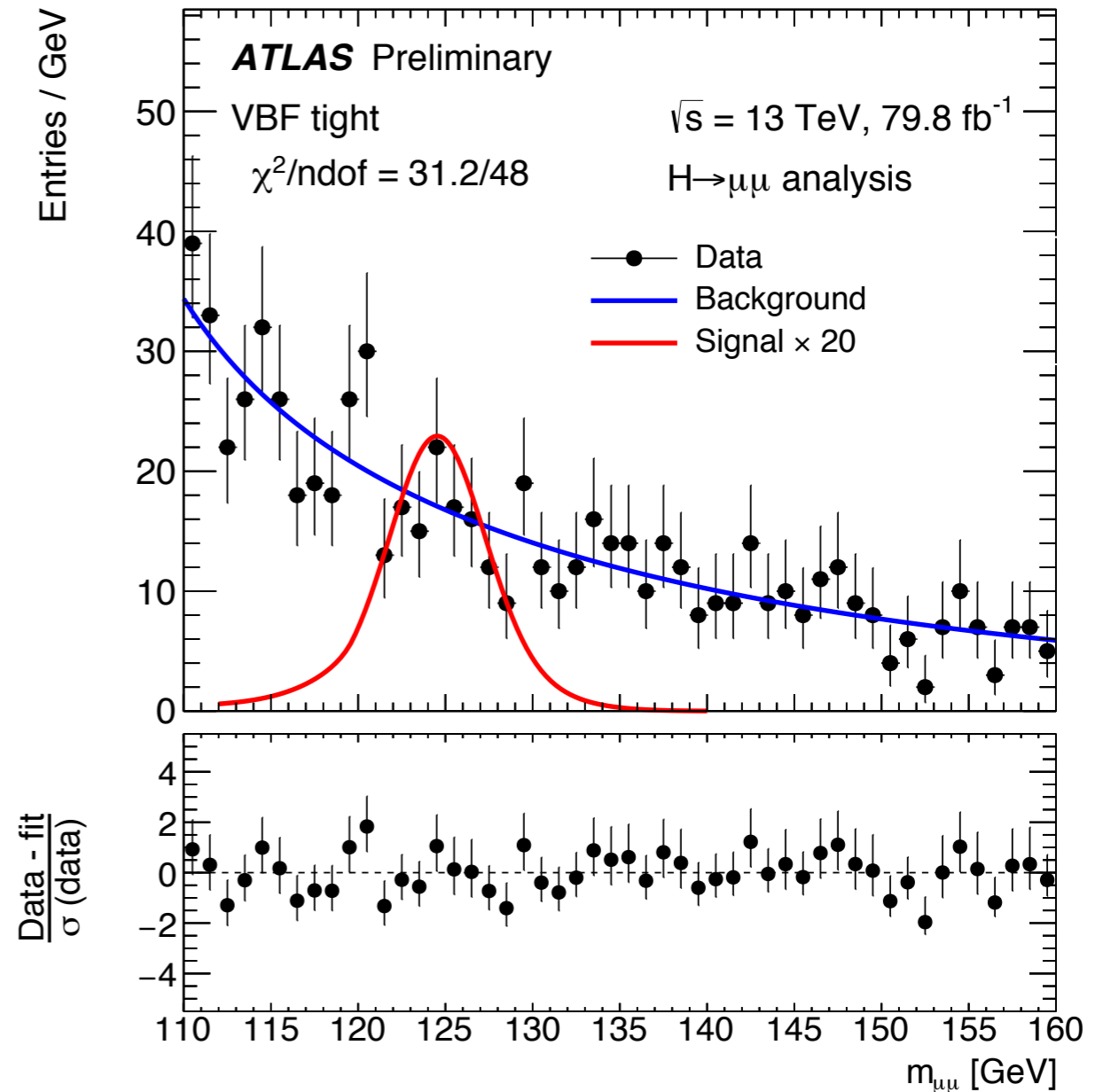


# Searching for $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$



Best chance to establish Higgs couplings to 2nd generation fermions

The channel to watch in **Run-3**



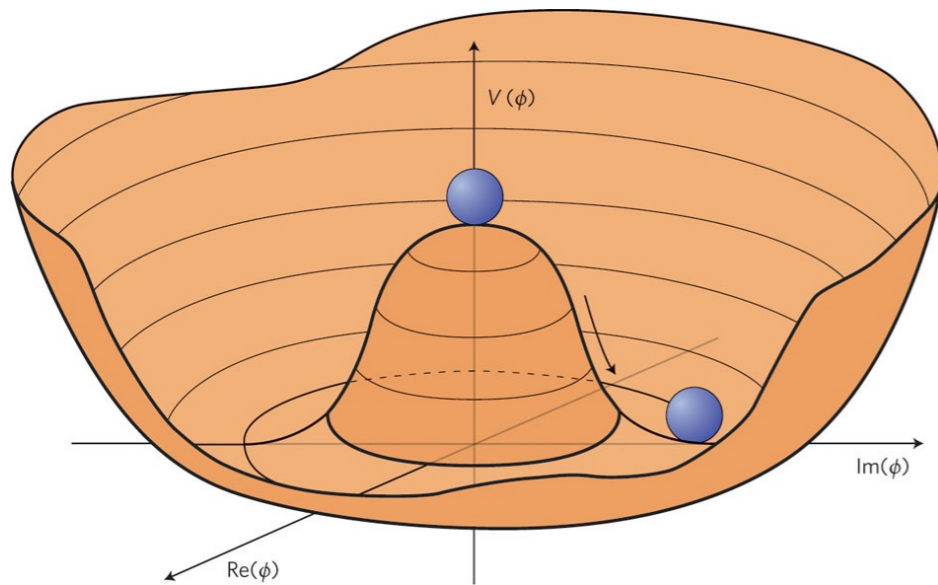
ATLAS:  $\text{BR}_{H \rightarrow \mu\mu} < 2.0 \times \text{BR}_{SM}$  (95% CL)

CMS:  $\text{BR}_{H \rightarrow \mu\mu} < 2.9 \times \text{BR}_{SM}$  (95% CL)

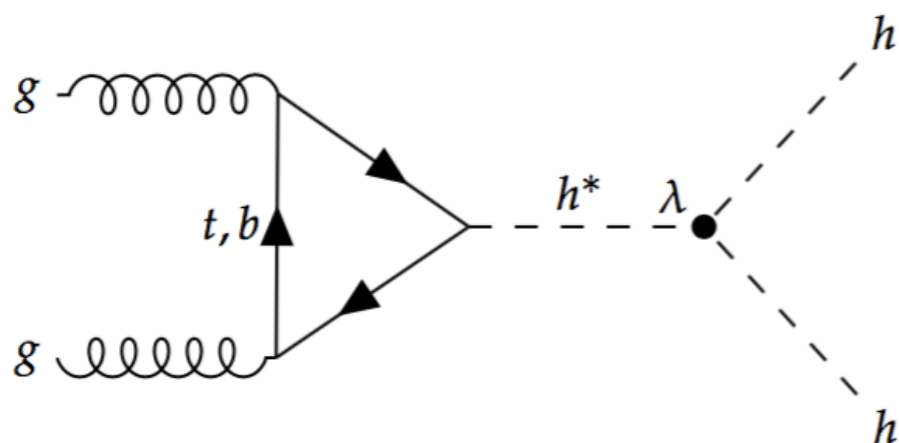
# The Higgs Self-Coupling & Higgs-Pair Production

The “holy grail” of Higgs physics

Direct measurement of the Higgs potential

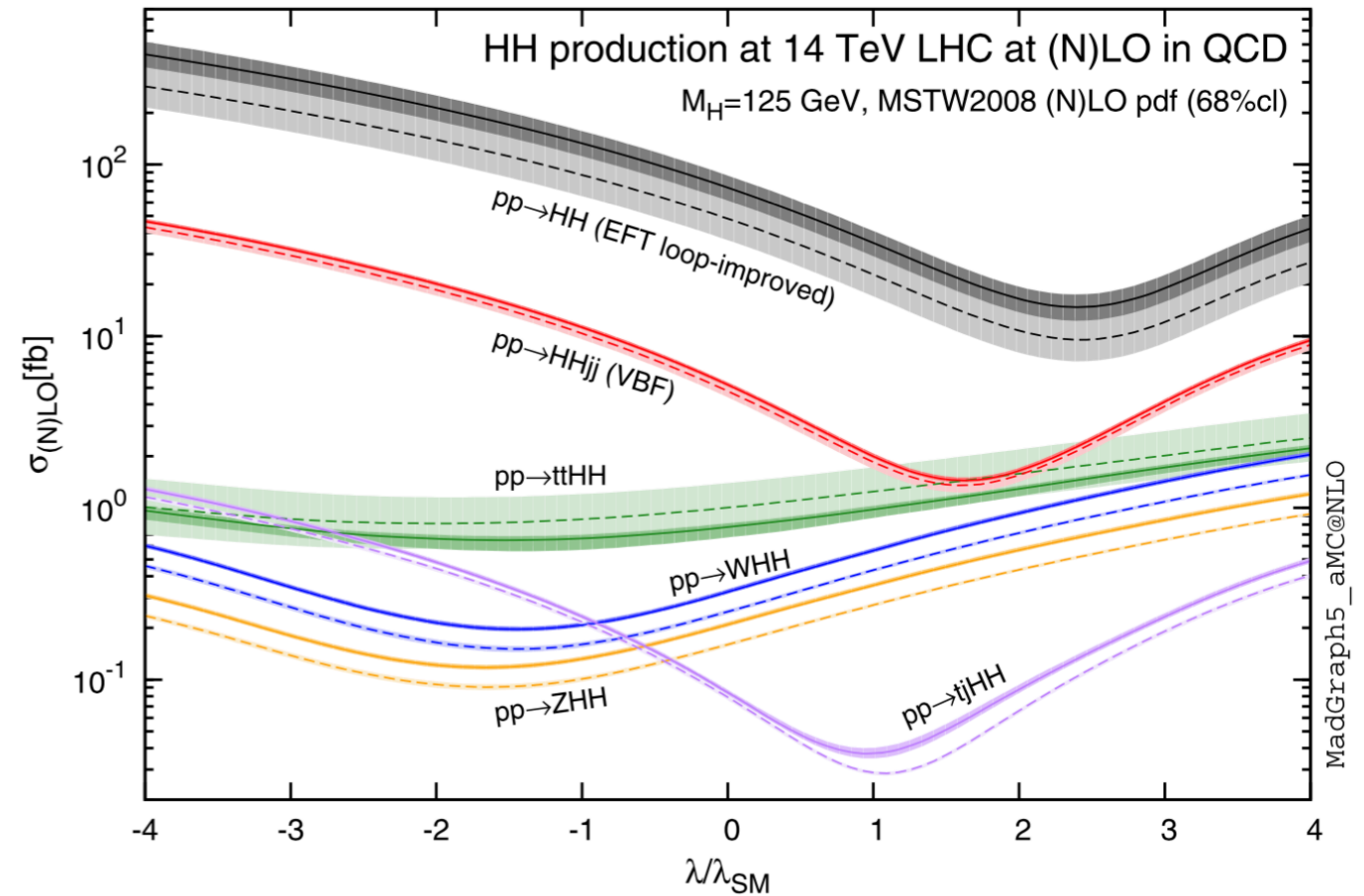
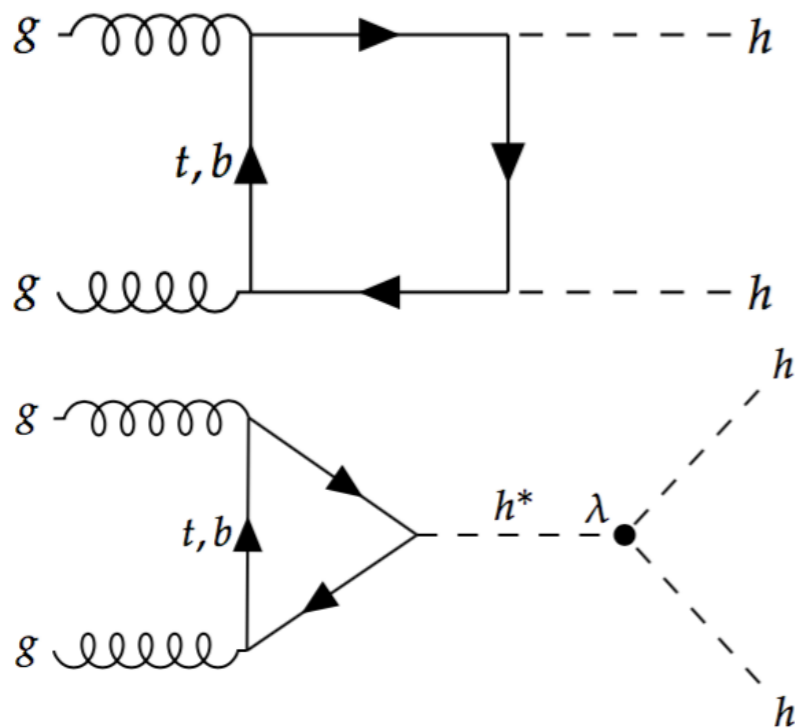


$$V(\Phi) = \mu^2 \Phi^* \Phi + \lambda |\Phi^* \Phi|^2$$



# Searches for Higgs-Pair Production

negative interference between diagrams



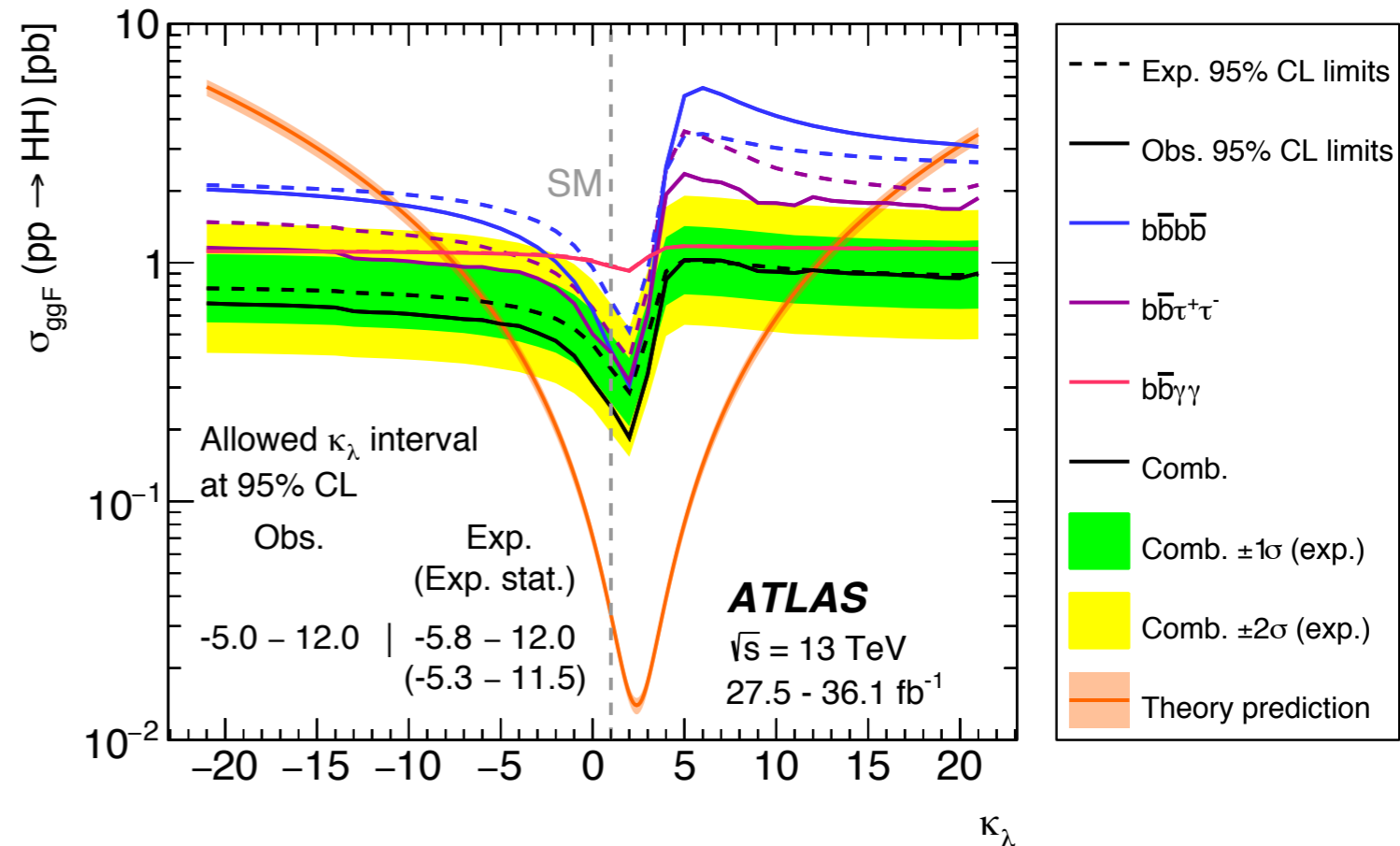
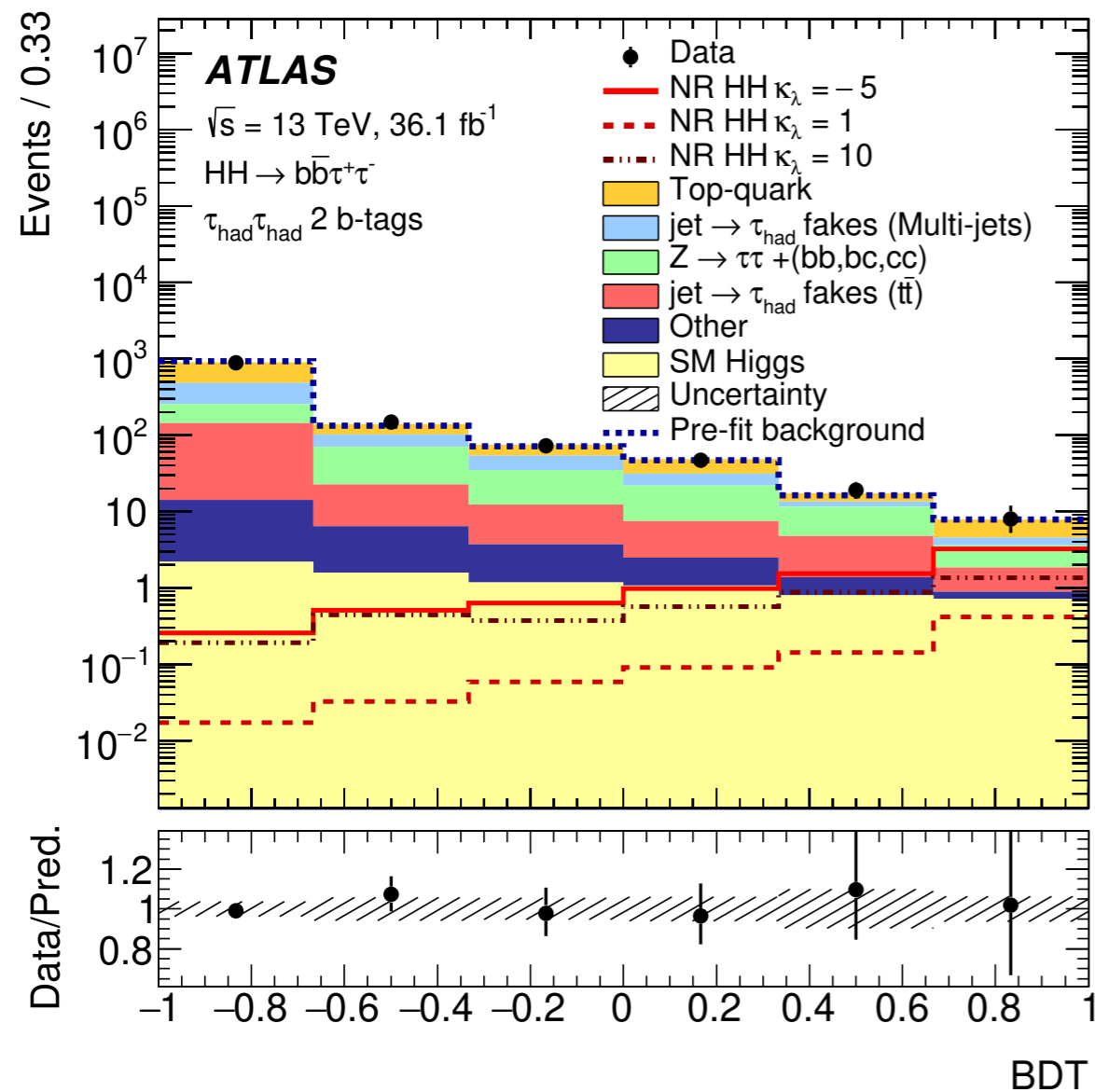
interference at maximum when  $\lambda \sim 2 \times \lambda_{SM}$

	bb	WW	$\tau\tau$	ZZ	$\gamma\gamma$
bb	33%				
WW	25%	4.6%			
$\tau\tau$	7.4%	2.5%	0.39%		
ZZ	3.1%	1.2%	0.34%	0.076%	
$\gamma\gamma$	0.26%	0.10%	0.029%	0.013%	0.0005%

Search for Higgs-pair production across many channels

Most sensitive:  $bbbb$ ,  $bb\tau\tau$ ,  $bb\gamma\gamma$

# Higgs-Pair Production Searches



ATLAS:  $-5.0 \times \lambda_{\text{SM}} < \lambda < 12.0 \times \lambda_{\text{SM}}$  (95% CL)

CMS:  $-11.8 \times \lambda_{\text{SM}} < \lambda < 18.8 \times \lambda_{\text{SM}}$  (95% CL)

Searches are statistics limited: more data will constrain  $\lambda$  even more!

# The Precision Higgs Era has clearly started....

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In this talk we saw that with Run-2:

- Higgs mass measured to unprecedented precision
- Higgs couplings to the fermion sector confirmed
- Exclusion of alternative spin and CP hypotheses for the Higgs boson
- Approaching sensitivity to Higgs couplings with 2nd generation fermions
- Excluding large values of the Higgs self-coupling

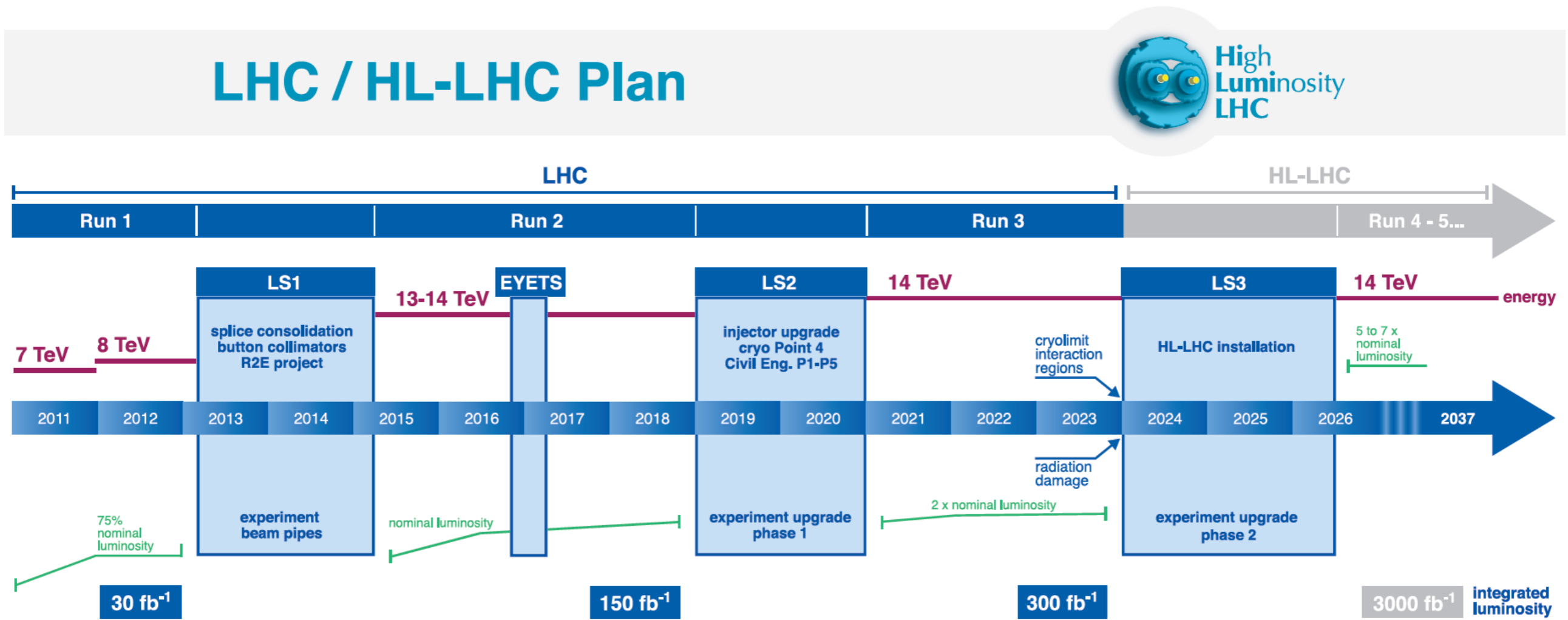
In addition:

- differential cross-sections measured
- exclusions of large anomalous couplings
- increasing sensitivity to CP-admixture scenarios
- inference of limits on Higgs width from off-shell measurements

We have learned much about the “personality” of the Higgs boson at the end of Run-2

# Run-3 and the HL-LHC

...but the precision era will continue



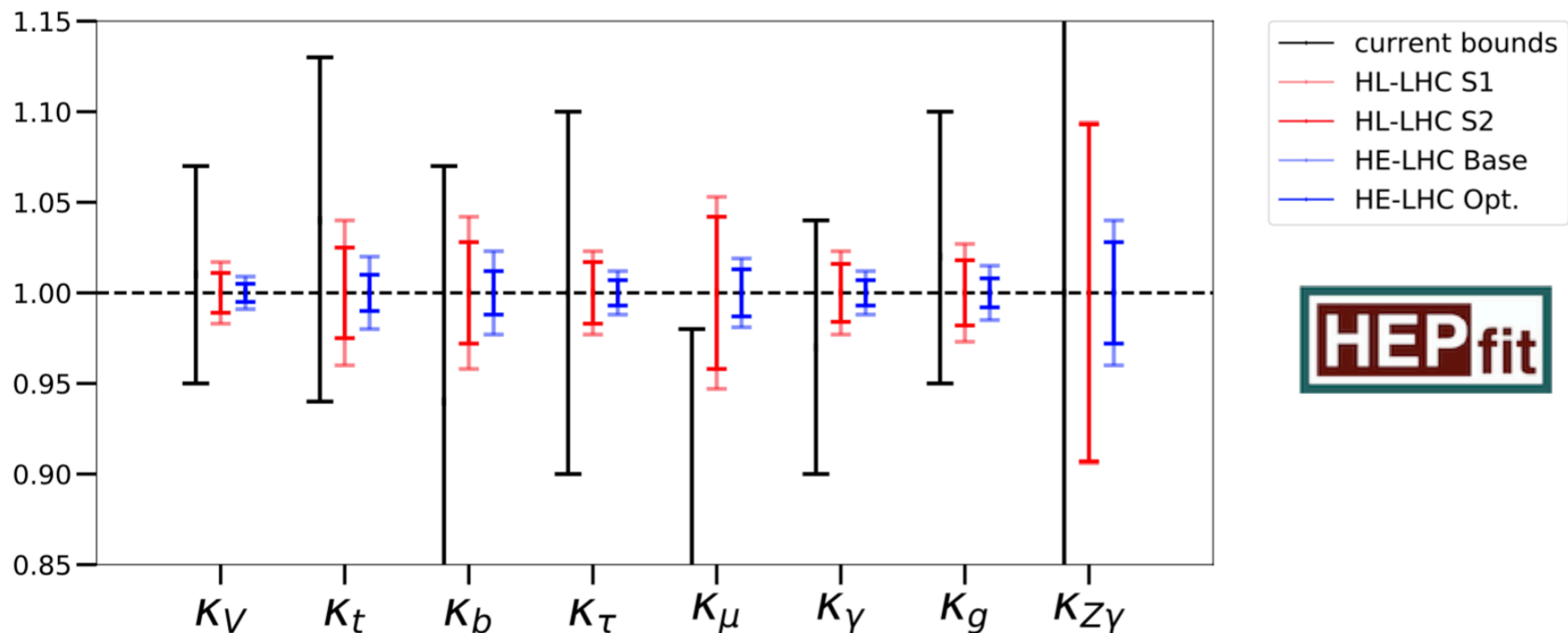
increase in data by ~2 orders of magnitude to 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>

increase in energy to 14 TeV

Significant upgrades to accelerator complex and LHC detectors

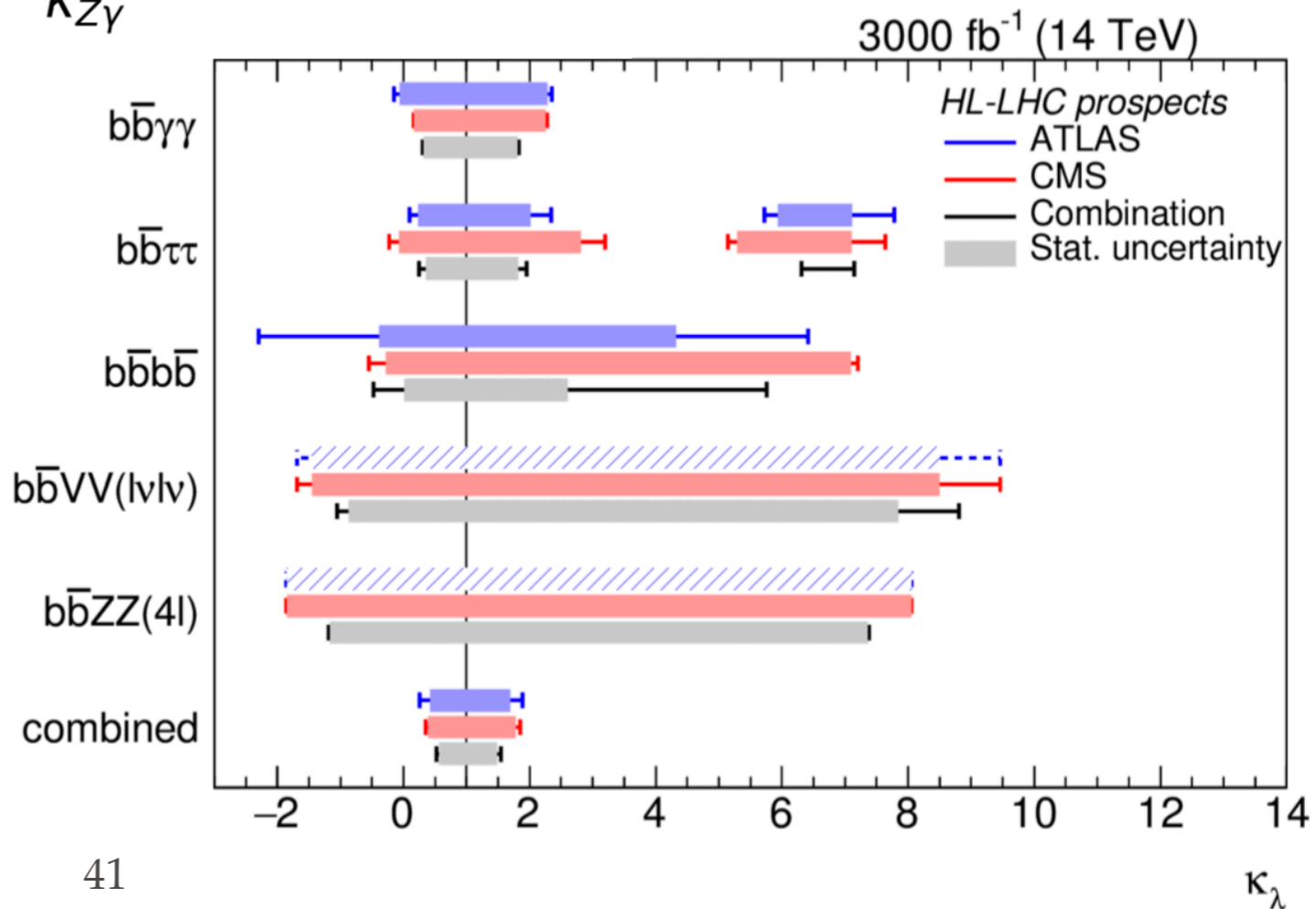


# Sensitivity Estimates

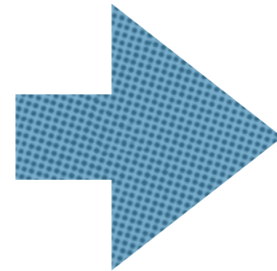


Projections on the Higgs coupling scale factors

Projection on sensitivity to Higgs-self-coupling



# Summary & Outlook

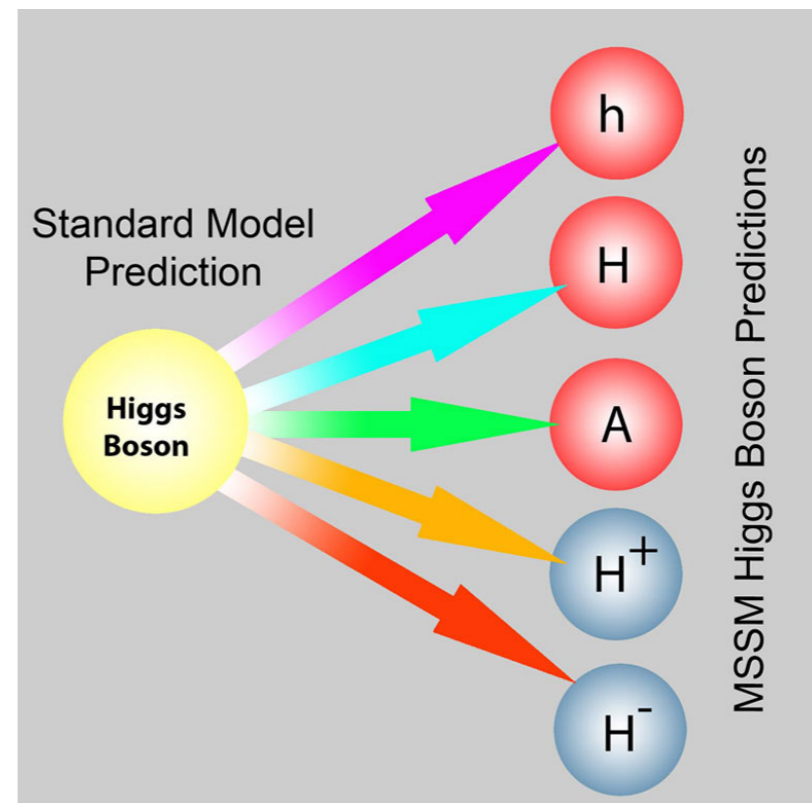


We have come to know much more about the Higgs boson in the last 7 years

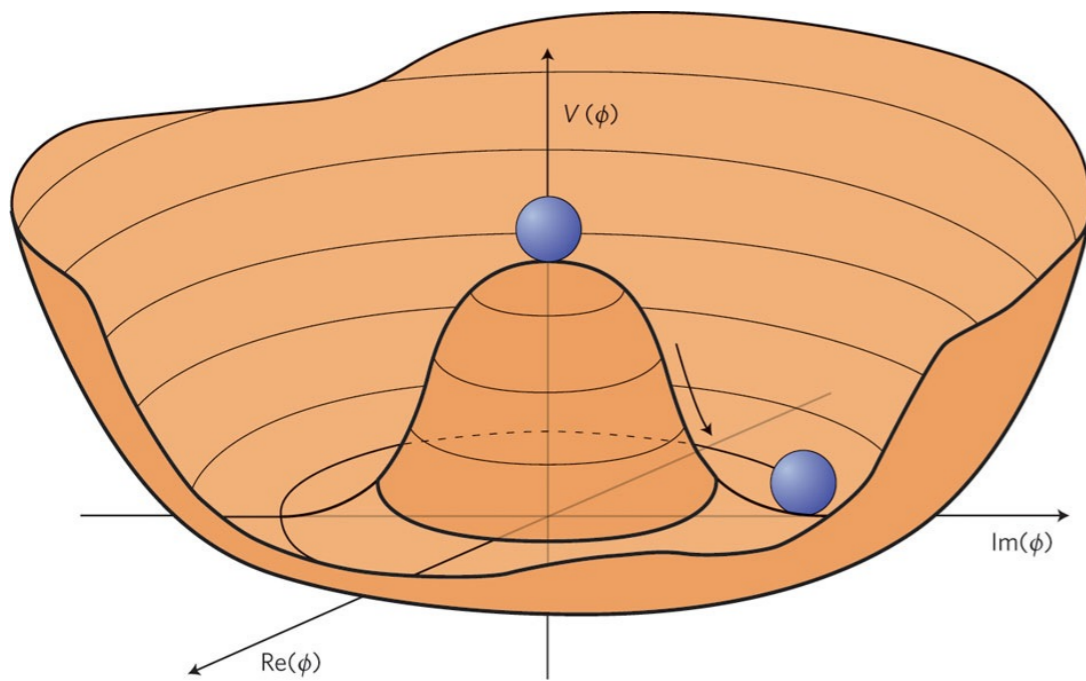
Its personality thus far is very “standard”

But the teenage years are still to come ;)

Maybe it has siblings we don't know about ;)



Thanks for your attention!!



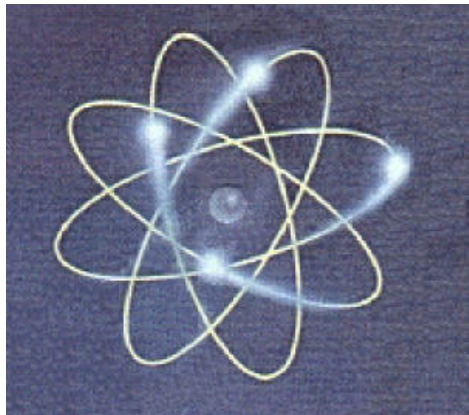
# THE HIGGS BOSON



# Fundamental Forces/Interactions

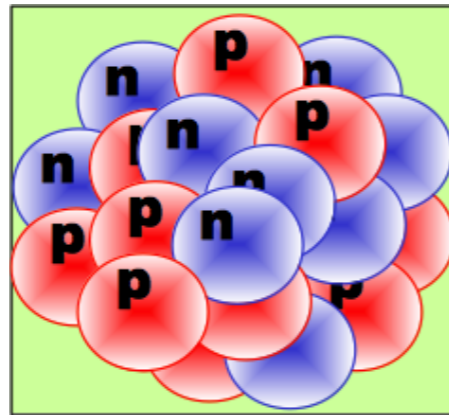
Four fundamental forces/interactions that we know about

Electromagnetic



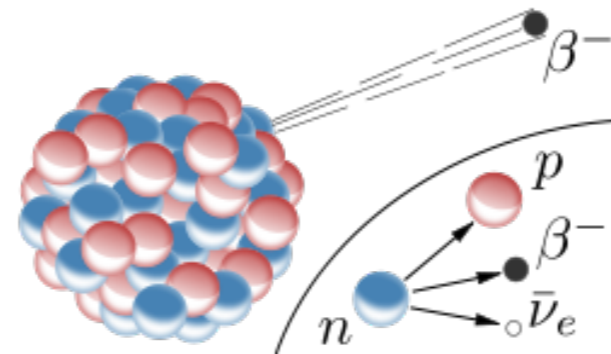
photons

Strong Nuclear



gluons

Weak Nuclear



W/Z bosons

Gravity (very weak!)



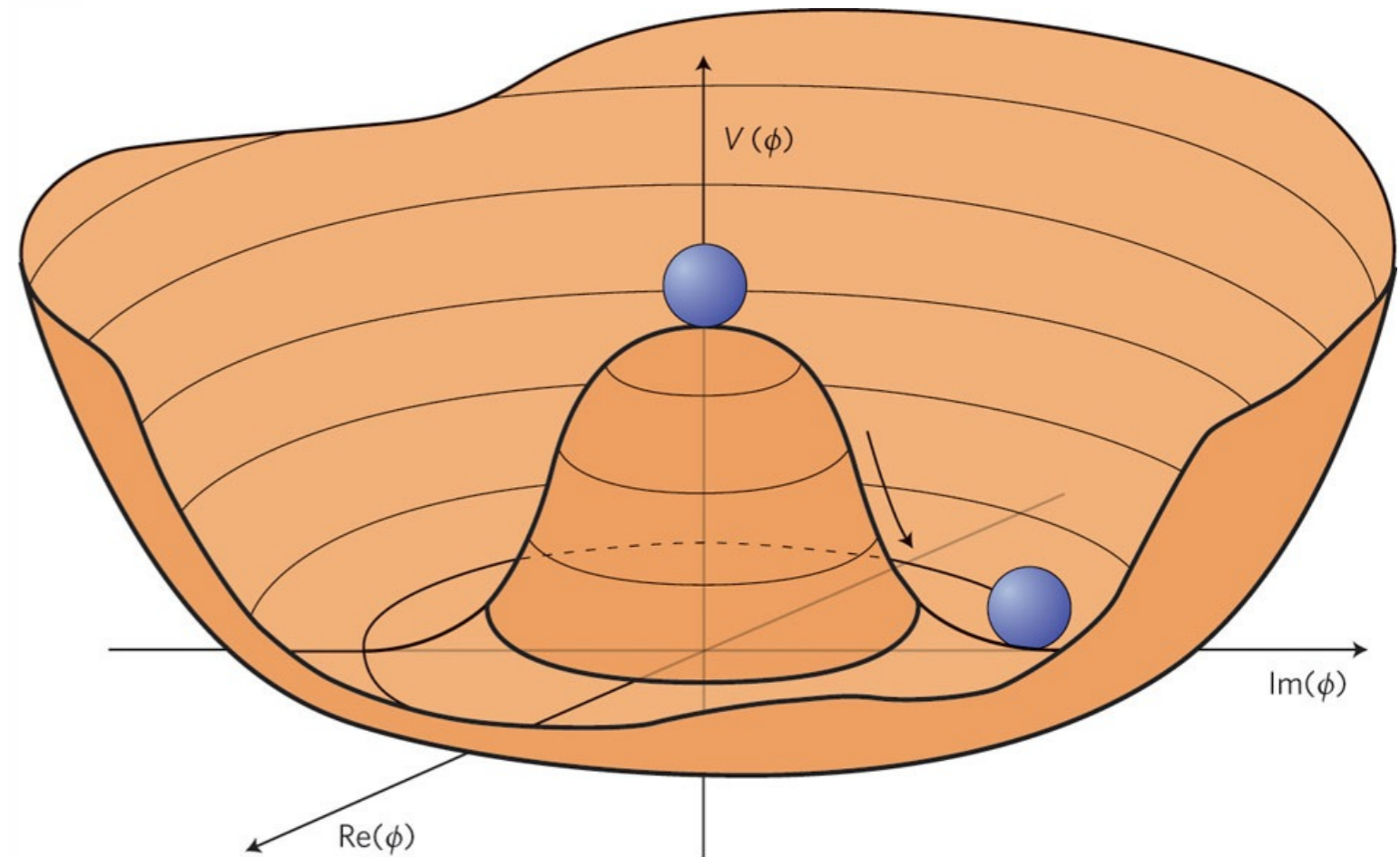
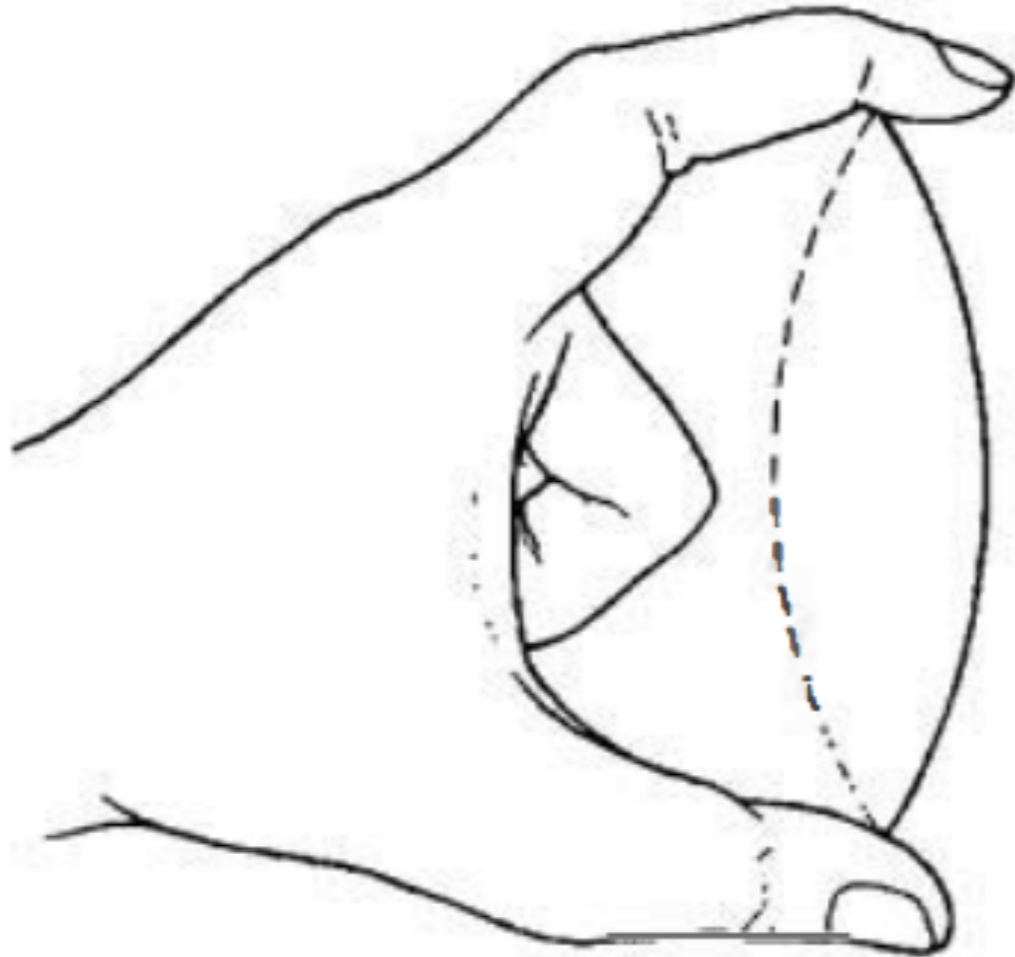
graviton???

At the quantum mechanical level, forces transmitted by particles (force carriers)

- all interactions we know of can be described by these forces (and particles of the Standard Model)

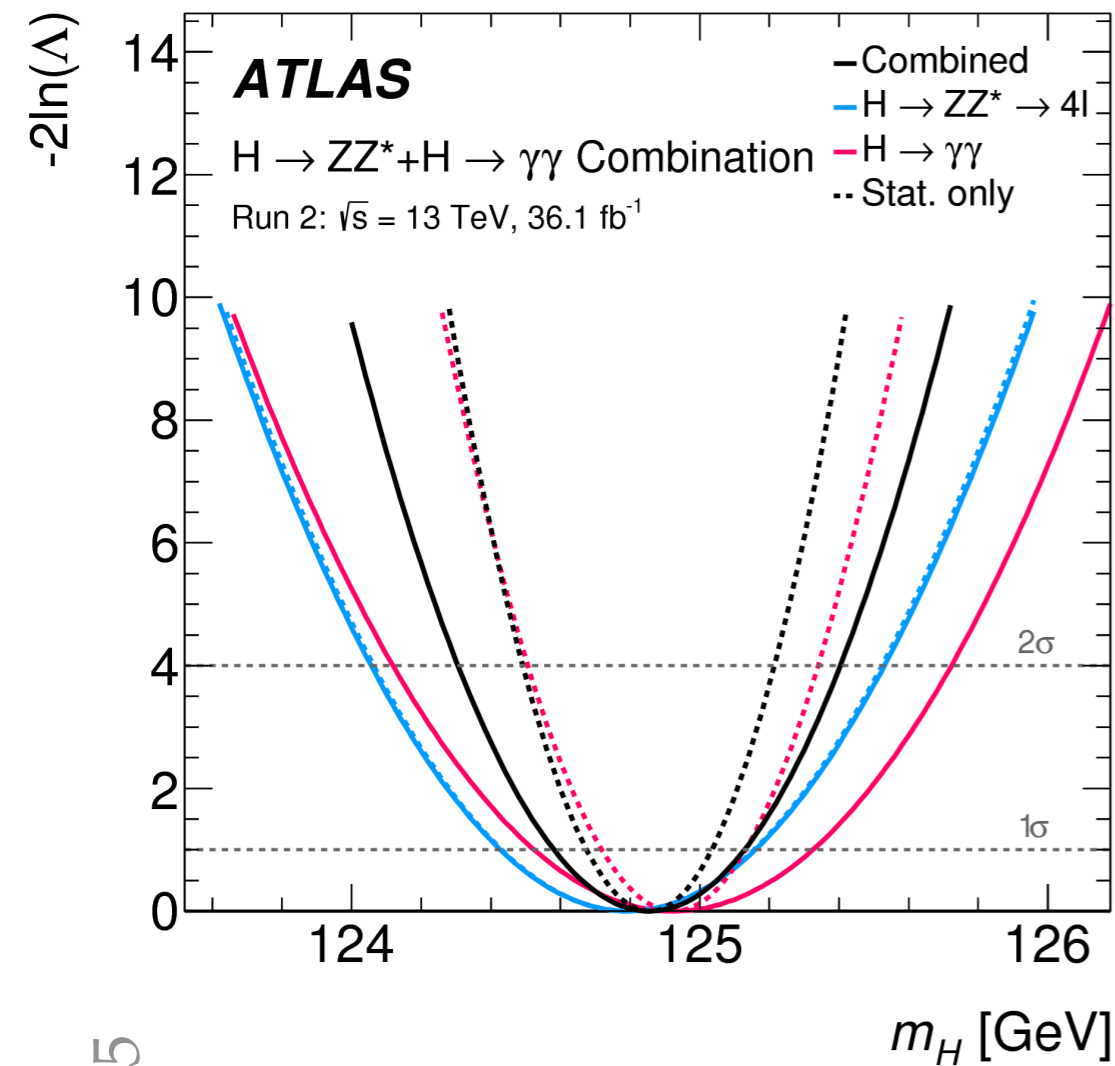
# Symmetry Breaking

Examples of symmetry breaking



The vacuum state hides the symmetry of the system

# Higgs Mass: ATLAS results & systematics

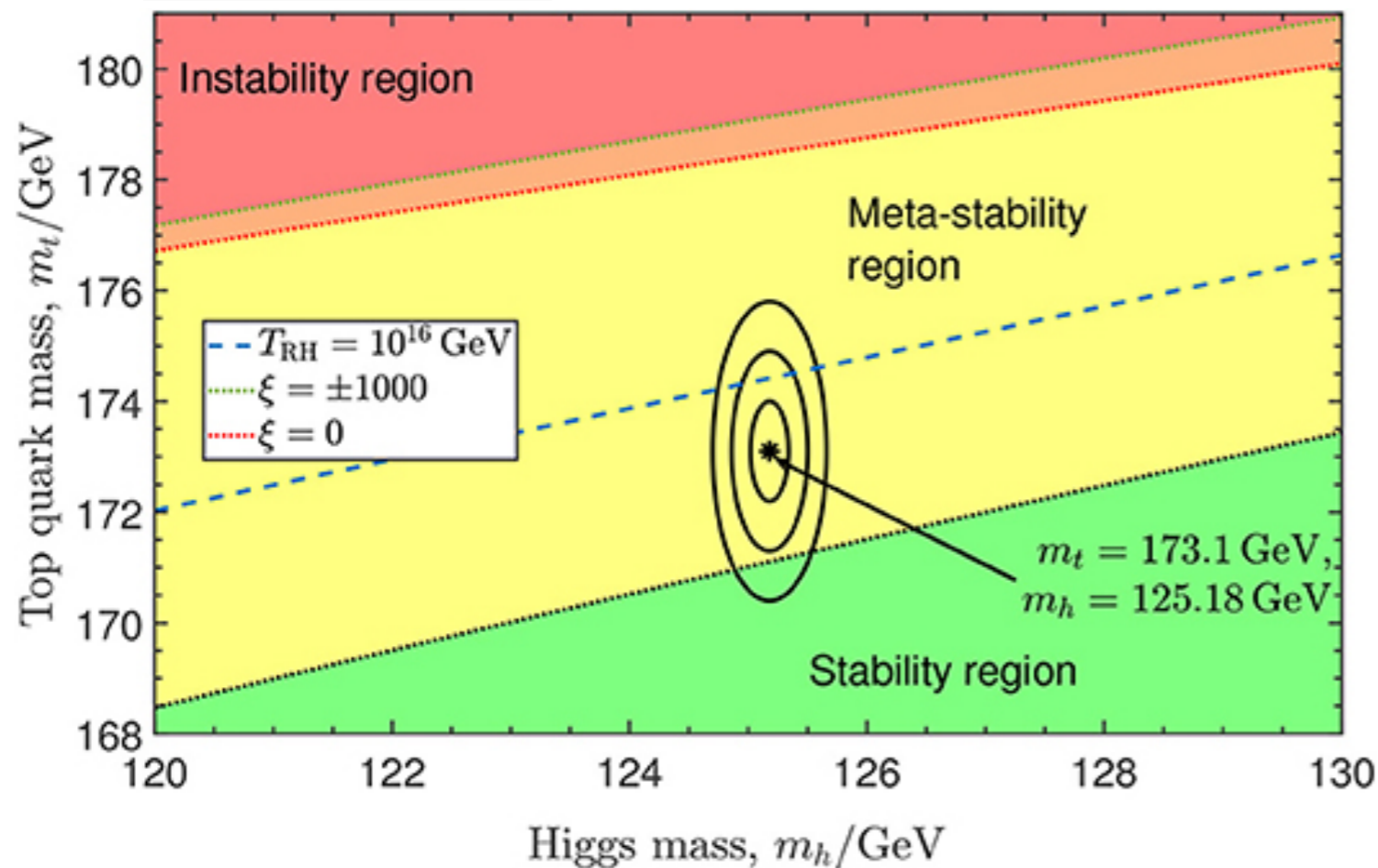
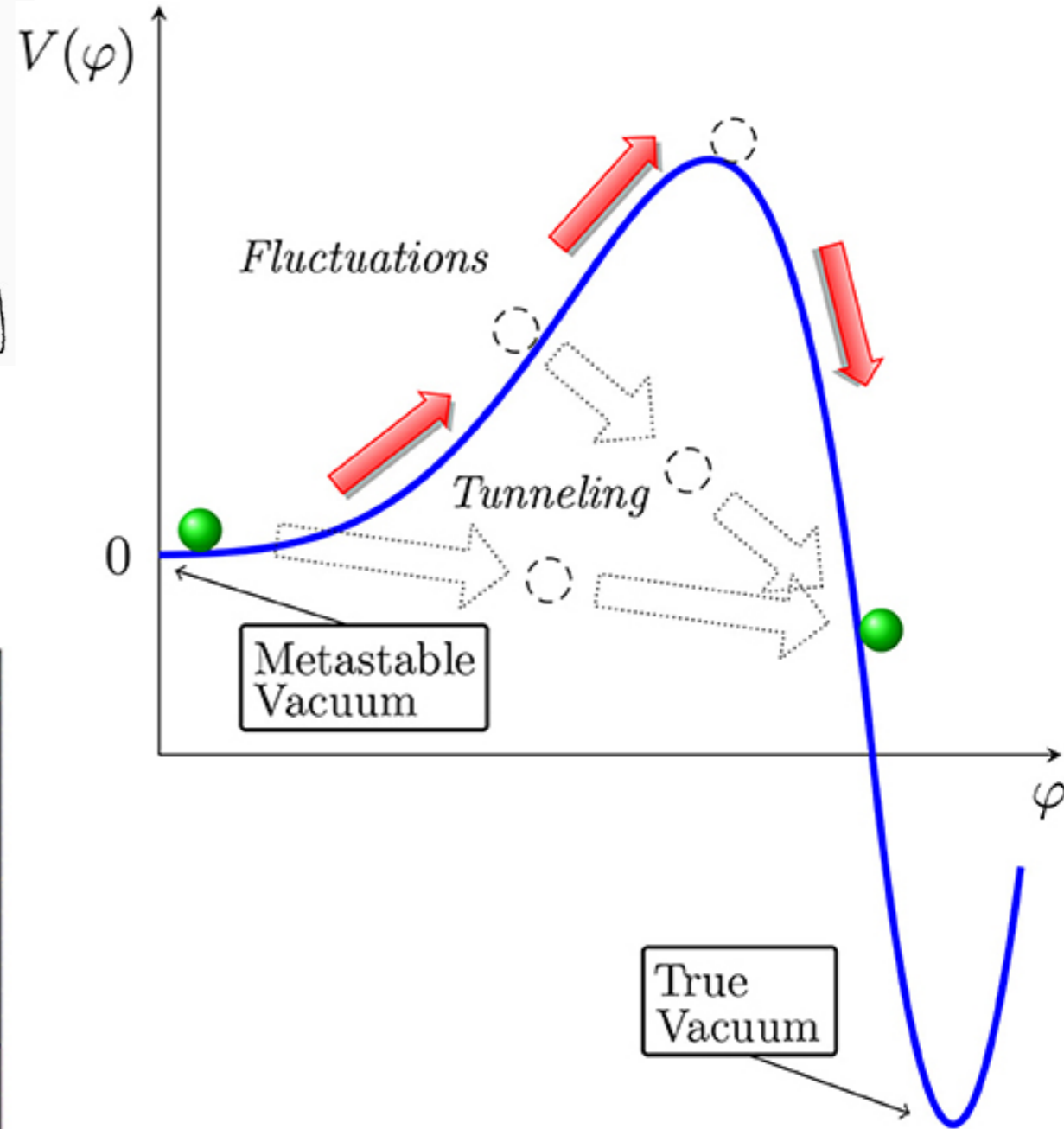
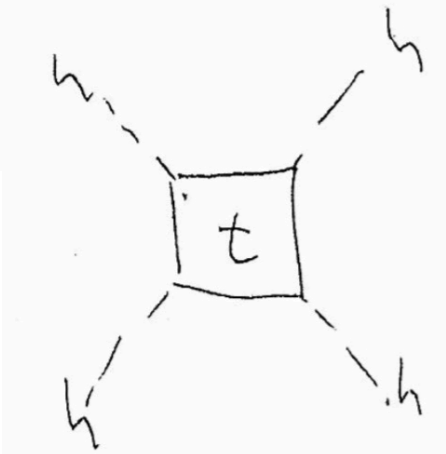


Source	Systematic uncertainty in $m_H$ [MeV]
EM calorimeter response linearity	60
Non-ID material	55
EM calorimeter layer intercalibration	55
$Z \rightarrow ee$ calibration	45
ID material	45
Lateral shower shape	40
Muon momentum scale	20
Conversion reconstruction	20
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ background modelling	20
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ vertex reconstruction	15
$e/\gamma$ energy resolution	15
All other systematic uncertainties	10

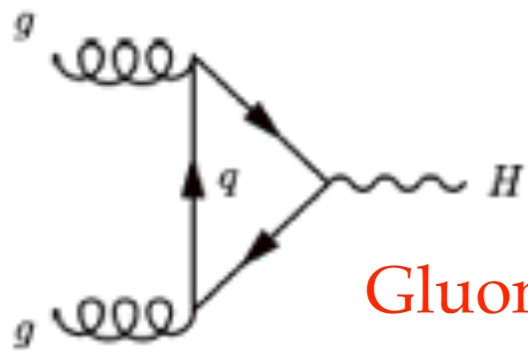
# The Higgs Mass and the Fate of the Universe

$$\frac{d\lambda(Q^2)}{d(\ln Q^2)} = \frac{3}{4\pi^2} \left[ \lambda^2 + \lambda g_t^2 - \frac{g_t^4}{4} \dots \right]$$

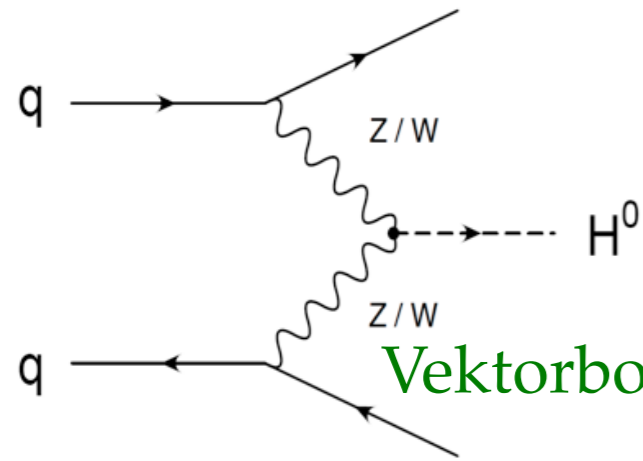
$g_t$ : top Yukawa coupling



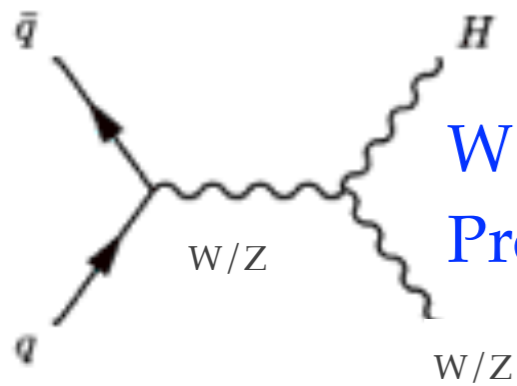
# Erzeugung von Higgs-Bosonen am LHC



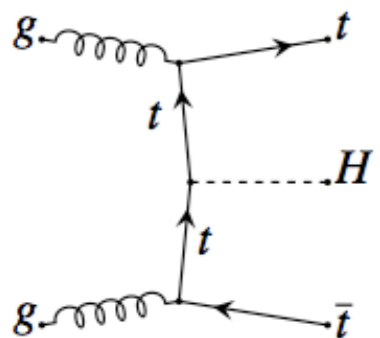
Gluonfusion



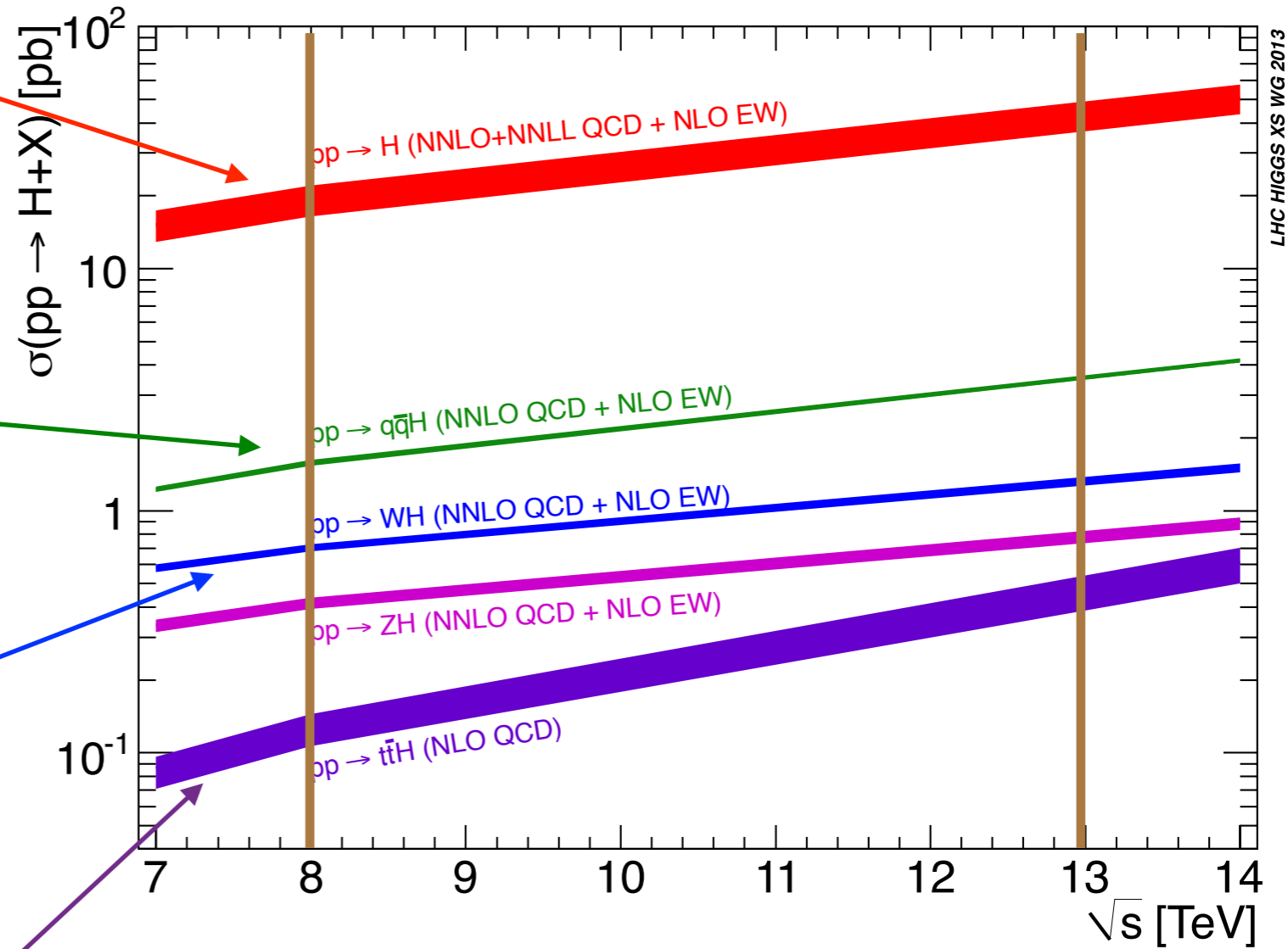
Vektorbosonfusion



W/Z assoziierte  
Production

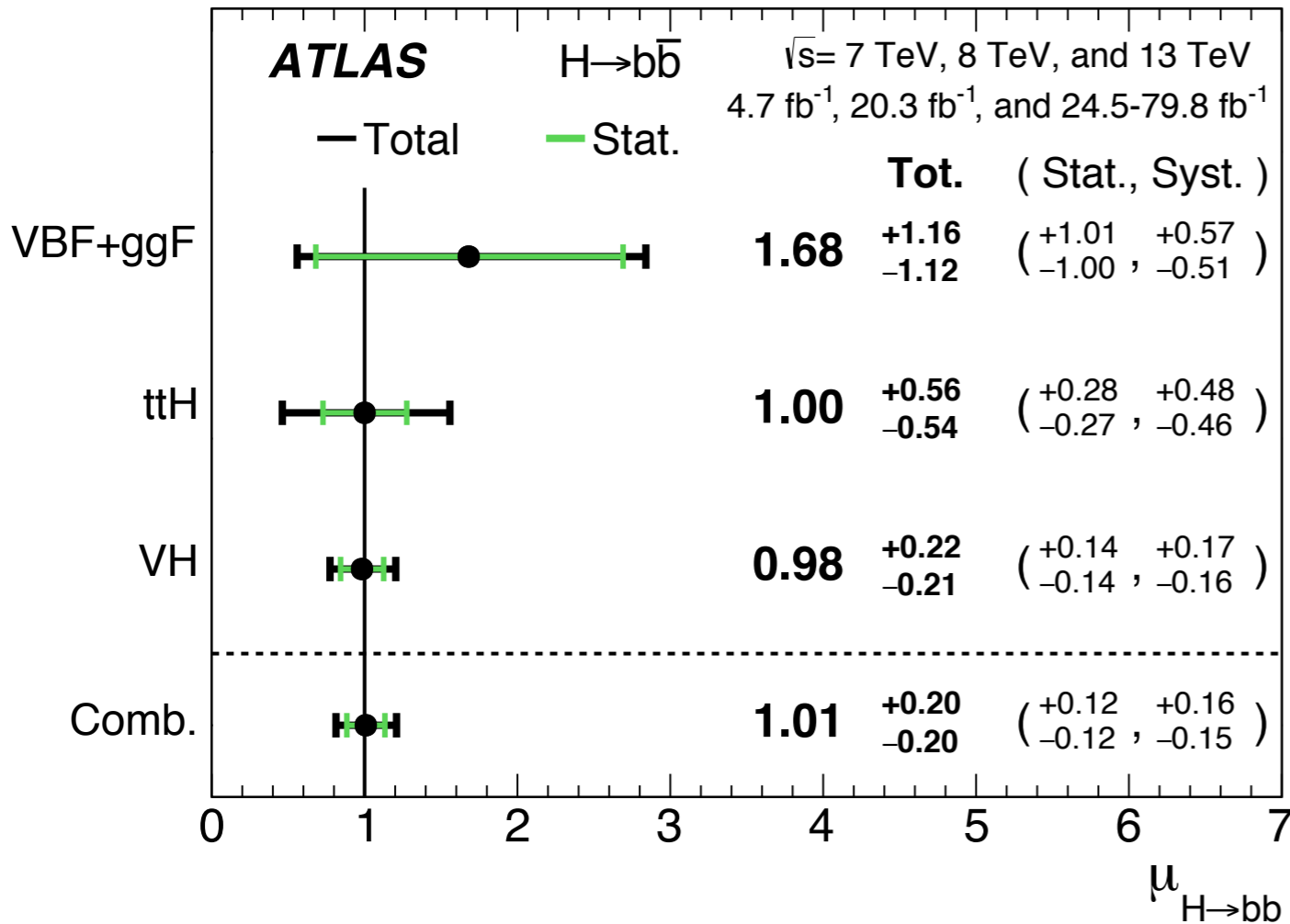


Top assoziierte  
Production





# ATLAS $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ Results (13 TeV)



Channel	Significance	
	Exp.	Obs.
VBF+ggF	0.9	1.5
$t\bar{t}H$	1.9	1.9
VH	5.1	4.9
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ combination	5.5	5.4

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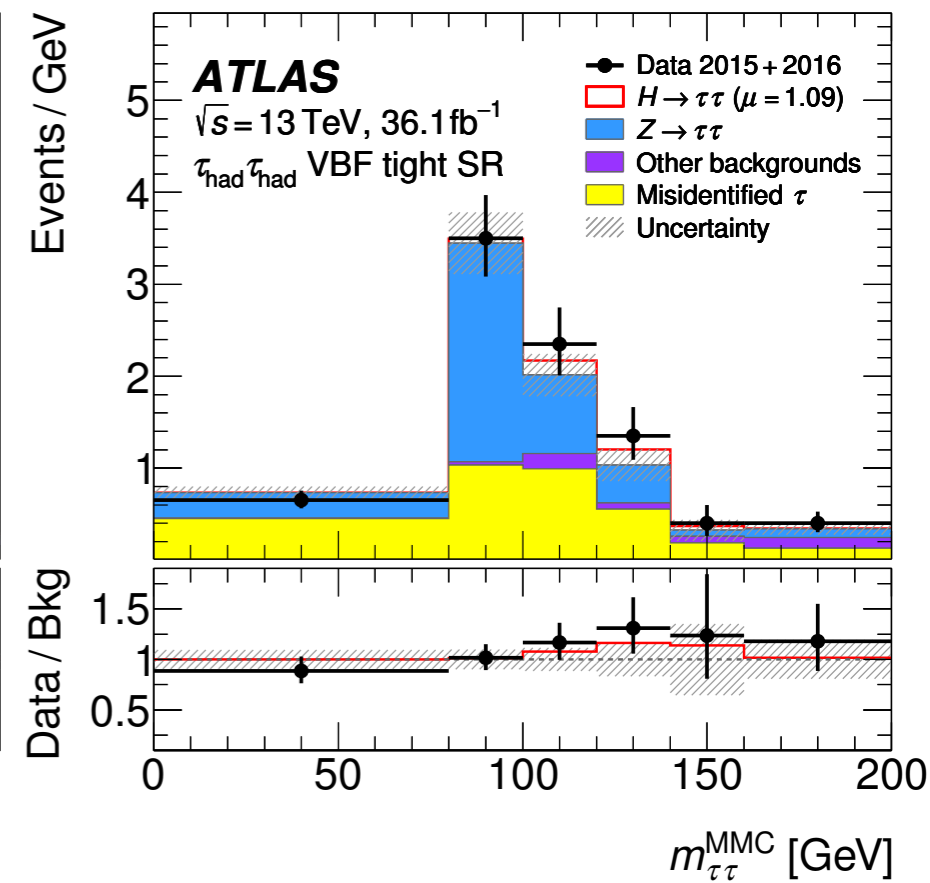
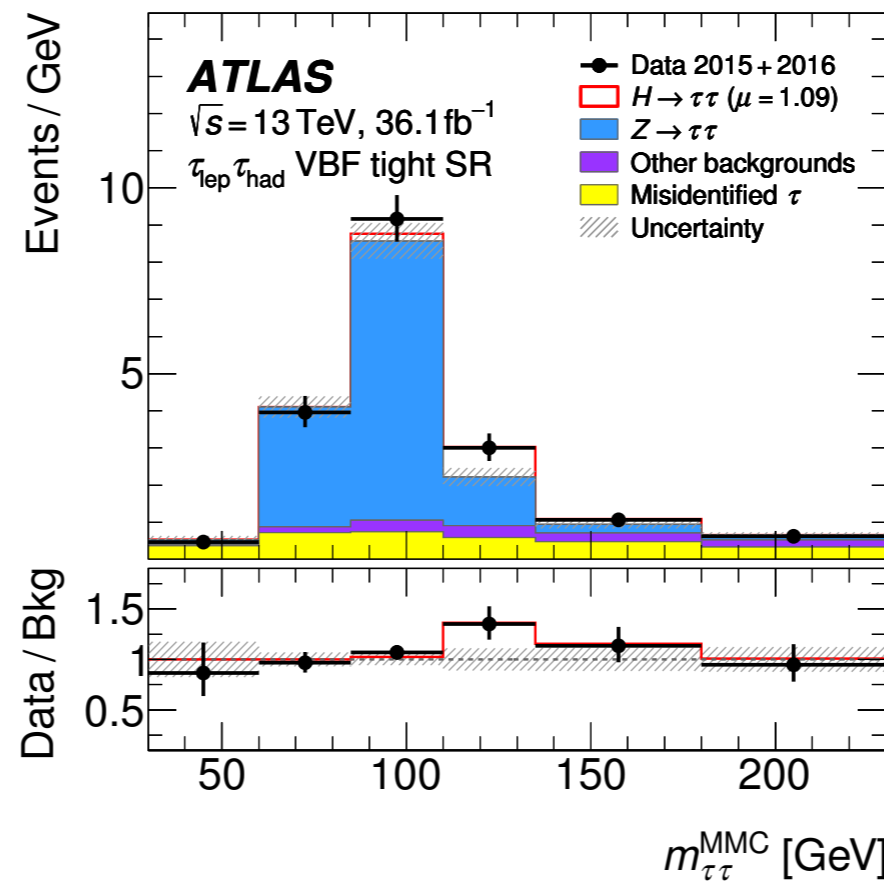
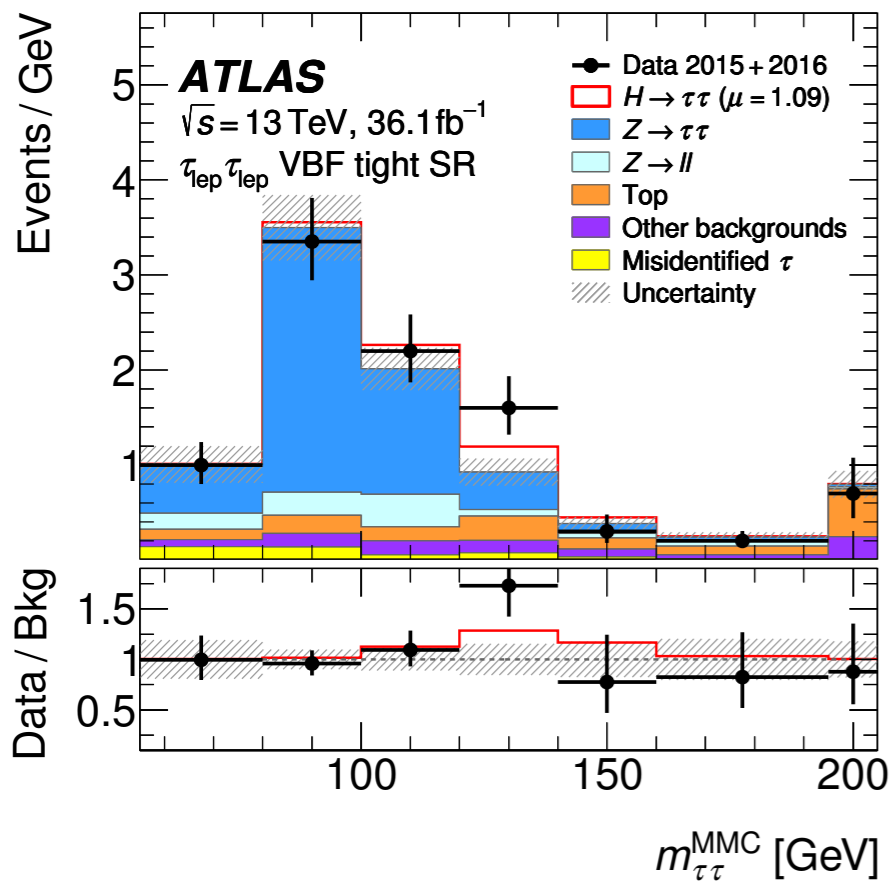
**CMS Results:**  $5.6\sigma$  observed,  $5.5\sigma$  expected

# ATLAS $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

lep-lep

lep-had

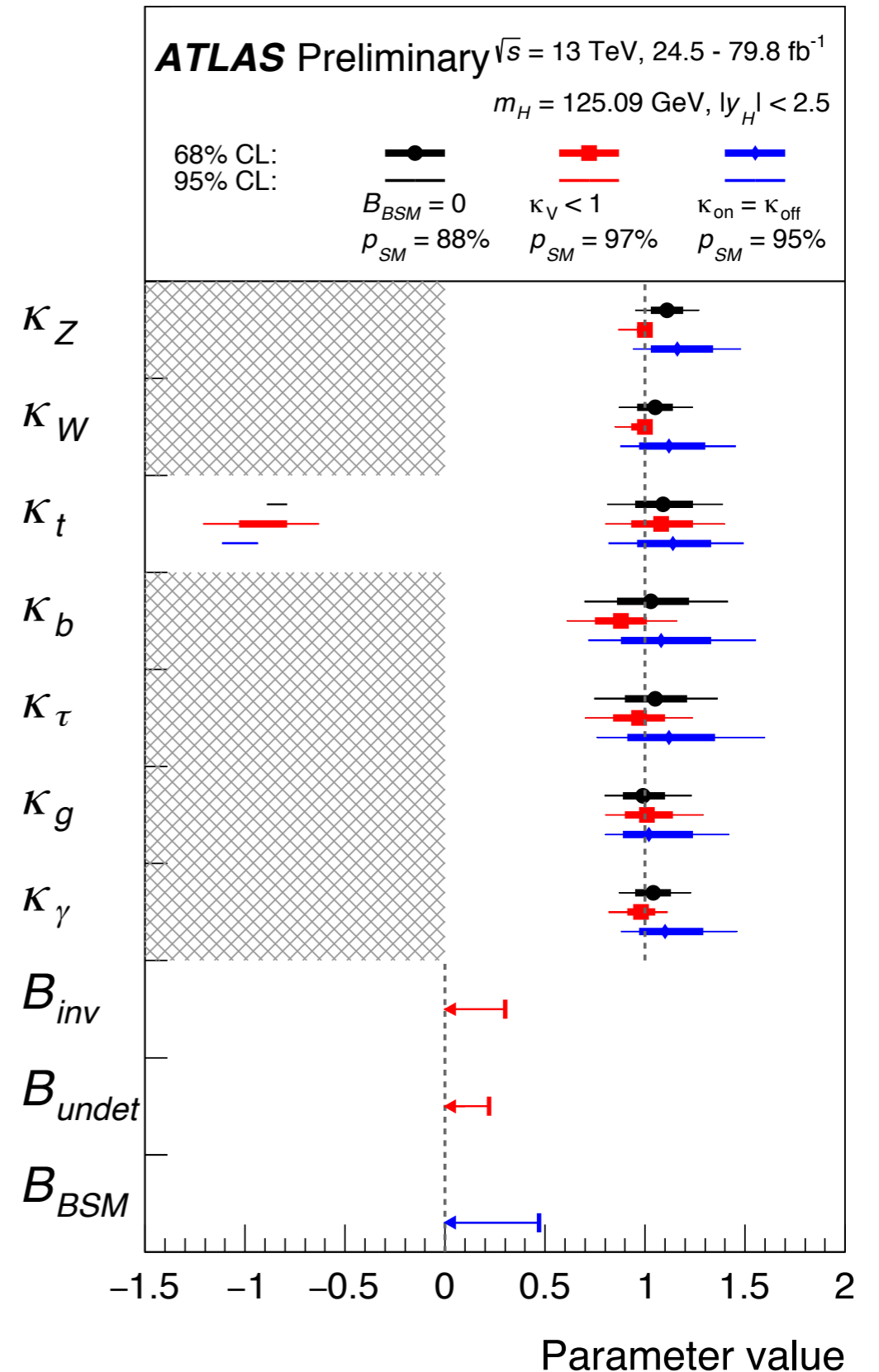
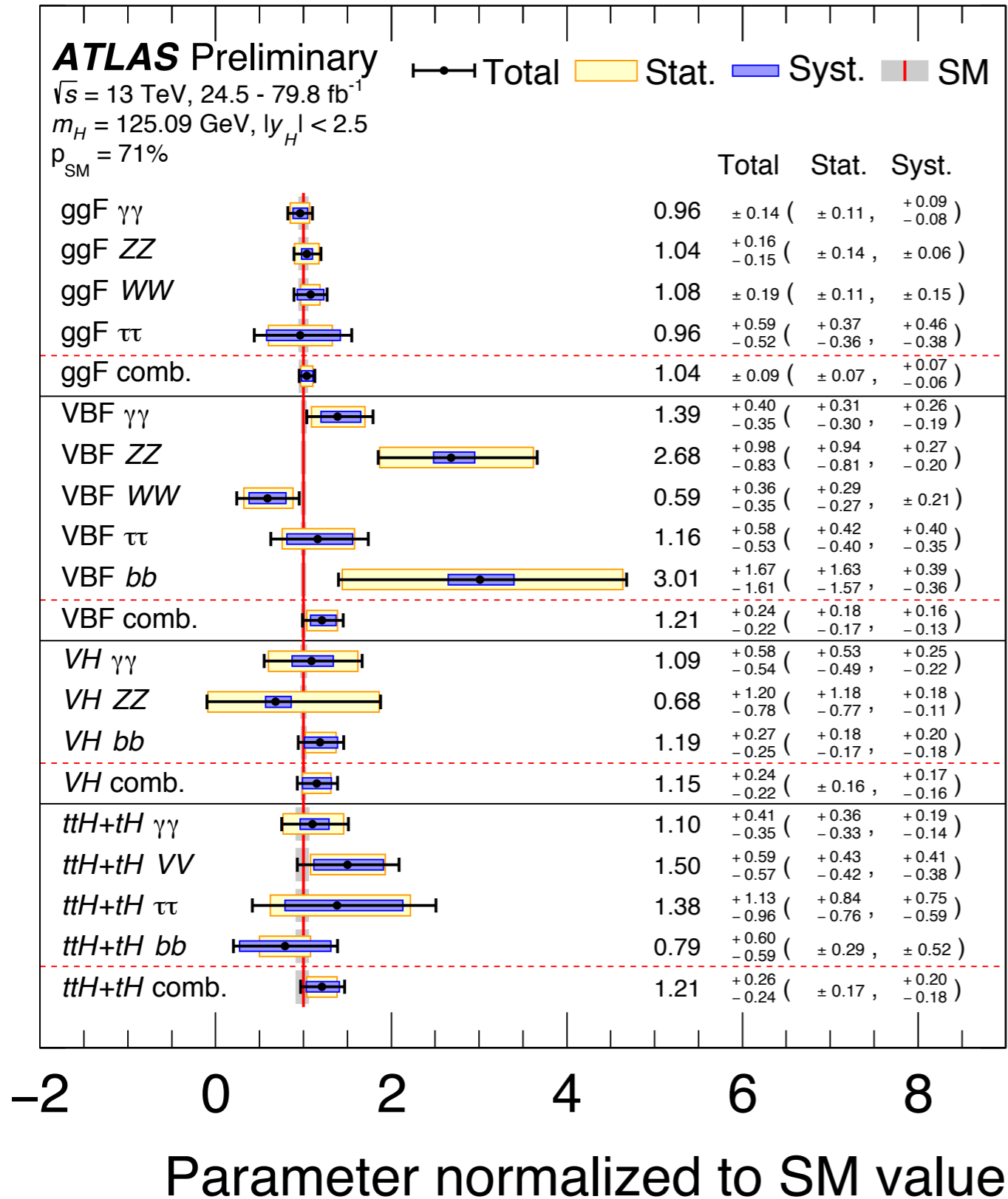
had-had



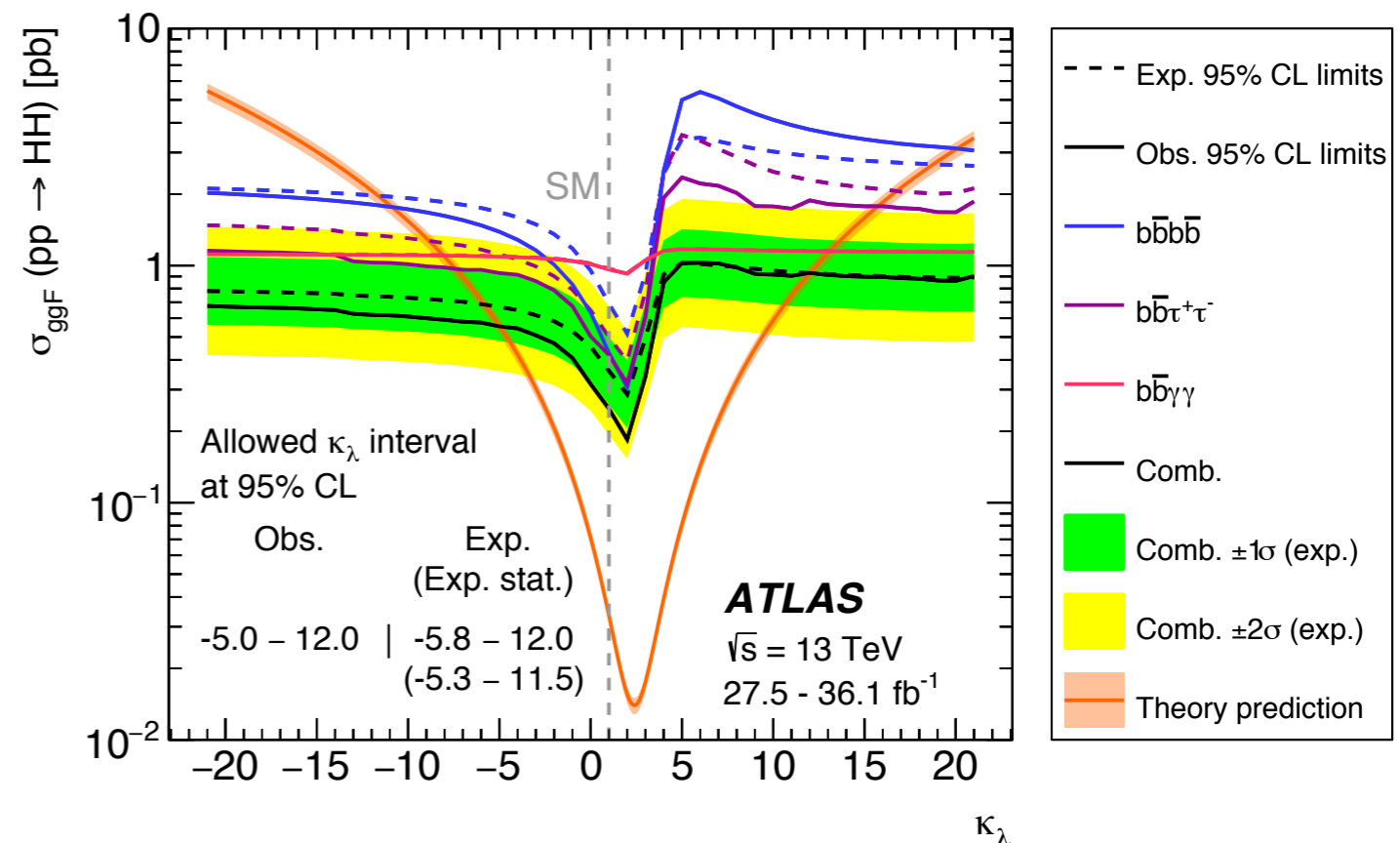
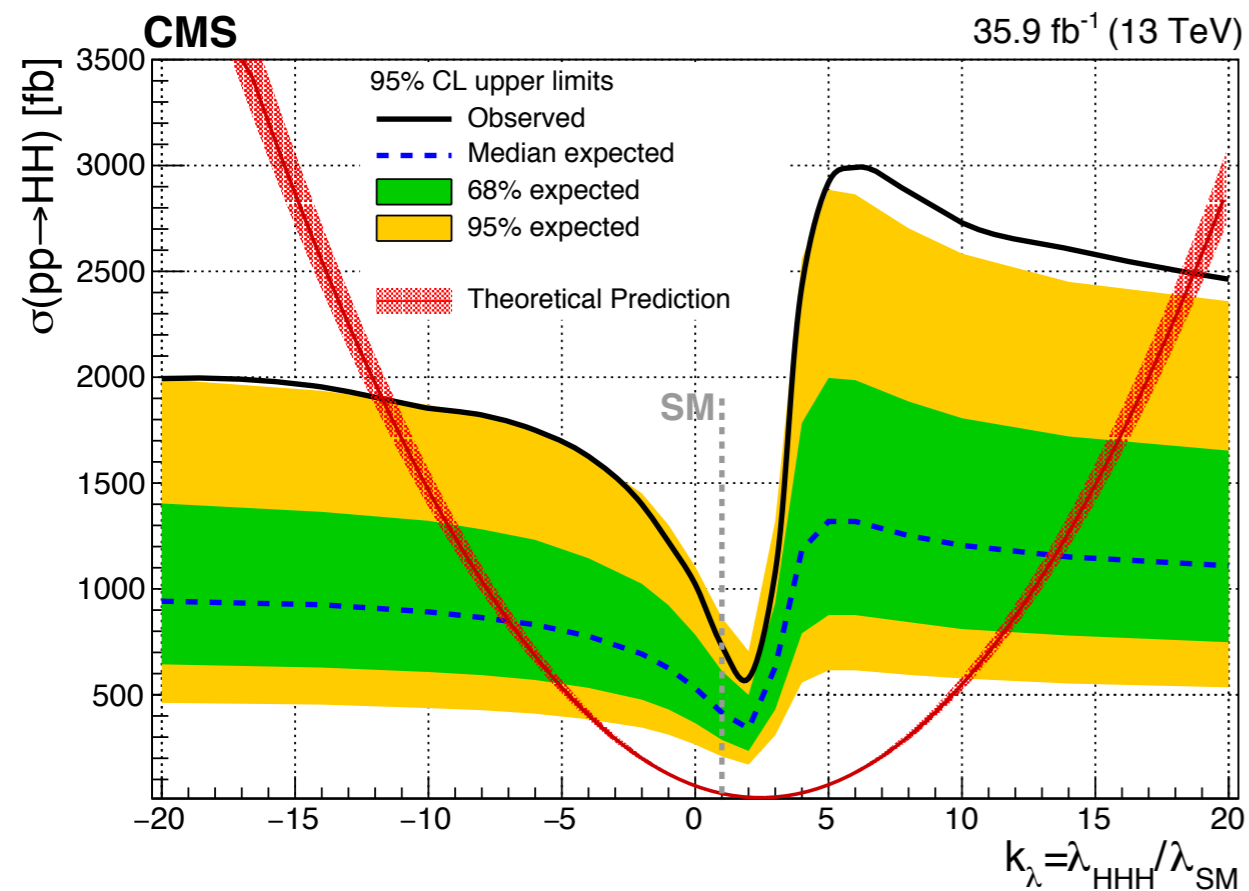
Clear **excess of data** above background prediction

Excess consistent with SM Higgs boson prediction

# ATLAS Coupling Combination



# Higgs-Pair Production Searches



ATLAS:  $-5.0 \times \lambda_{SM} < \lambda < 12.0 \times \lambda_{SM}$  (95% CL)

CMS:  $-11.8 \times \lambda_{SM} < \lambda < 18.8 \times \lambda_{SM}$  (95% CL)