

Review of the current status of Higgs Properties

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Talk Overview

Introduction

- i. Higgs Boson Production and decay
- ii. The ATLAS detector and the LHC
- iii. Combined **Mass measurements** from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ & $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$

Properties

- iv. Combining **Coupling measurements** for all search channels
- v. **Combined** Spin analysis from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$, $H \rightarrow WW^*$
- vi. **Differential Cross sections** from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Summary

- vii. Conclusions & Outlook

[\[ATLAS-CONF-2014-009\]](#) [\[Phys. Lett. B 726 \(2013\) 88\]](#)

[\[ATLAS-CONF-2013-072\]](#) [\[ATLAS-CONF-2013-040\]](#)

New: [\[Mass paper – to be submitted\]](#)

i.a Higgs Boson Production

Existence of Higgs field essential for mass generation of Weak vector bosons + quarks & leptons in Standard Model

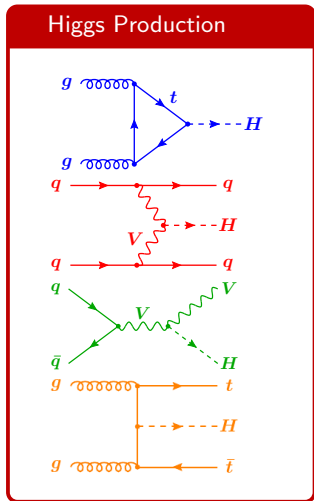
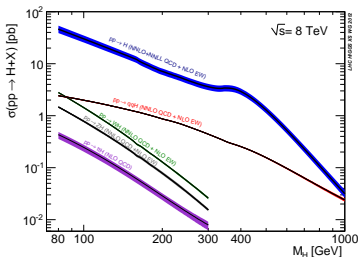


Spontaneous symmetry breaking in Higgs Mechanism produces new scalar particle: **the Higgs boson**



In pp collisions Higgs Boson produces via $gg \rightarrow H$, VBF , ZH , WH & ttH

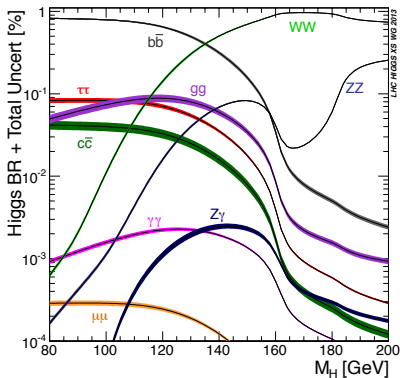
Cross section for various m_H at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV:



i.b Higgs Boson Decay & Discovery

Higgs Boson decays after $10^{-10} - 10^{-13}$ ps into other SM particles

Branching fractions for Higgs decay:



ATLAS Search Channels

- * $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ for VH
- * $H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$
- * $H \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$
- * $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- * $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$
- * $H \rightarrow WW^{(*)}$
- * $H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)}$

July 4th 2012: ATLAS and CMS announced discovery of new boson

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Searches overview: (see talk of Doug Schouten); Coupling & Spin compatible with SM Higgs boson

ii. ATLAS Detector & Large Hadron Collider

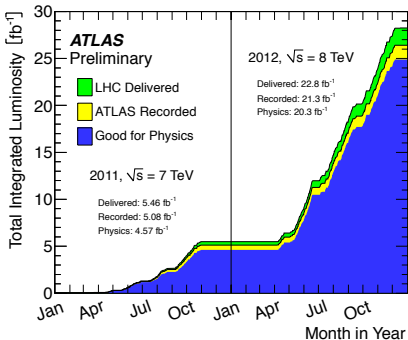
ATLAS is multipurpose detector

focus: Higgs, EW, BSM, B physics

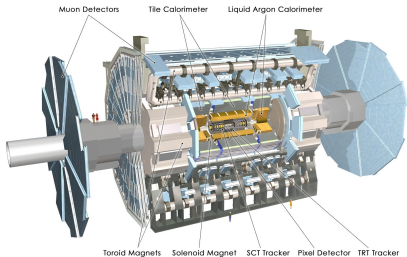
Multilayered EM & Hadronic calorimeter

excellent Tracking & Muon detection

Very successful 2011 & 2012 run period:



24.9/fb integrated luminosity good for physics



ATLAS detector & aerial picture of the LHC

iii.a **New!** Combined mass measurements for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ & $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$

Much improved EM cluster energy correction via MVA regression & more accurate geometry

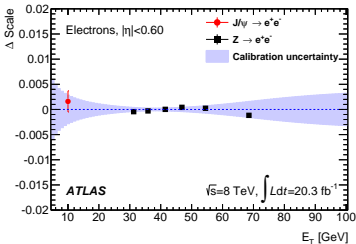
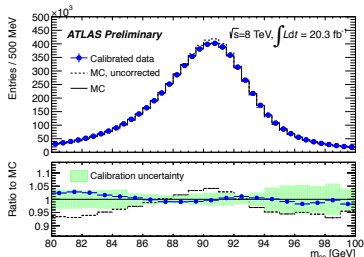
→ Largely improved resolution for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$.

Energy scale & resolution extracted from reference process: $Z \rightarrow ee$

Good data & sim. agreement after corrections

linearity and extrapolation to photons checked with other leptonic reference processes and $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell\gamma$ events.

Large effort reduced systematic uncertainties in $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ by more than a factor of two



iii.b **New!** Combined mass measurements for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ & $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$

Two measurements w/ good mass resolution:

$$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \text{ \& \ } H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$$

	$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	$H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$
Higgs Mass [GeV]	$125.98 \pm 0.42 \pm 0.28$	$124.51 \pm 0.52 \pm 0.06$
Old calibration	$126.8 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.7$	$124.3^{+0.6+0.5}_{-0.5-0.3}$

First error is statistical, second systematic.

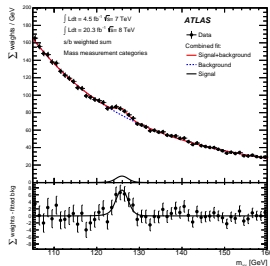
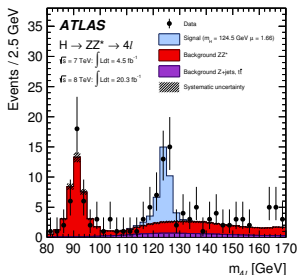
Combine both measurements under the assumption of a single resonance:



Profile likelihood for combination

$$\Lambda(m_H) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(m_H)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{m}_H)}$$

with the full likelihood contours from the individual measurements in m_H & μ , taking into account correlated systematics.



iii.c Combining Mass measurements from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ & $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$

Combined mass maximizing test statistics:

$$m_H = 125.36 \pm 0.37 \pm 0.18 \text{ GeV}$$

Old calibration $125.5 \pm 0.2^{+0.5}_{-0.6} \text{ GeV}$

To test the consistency between both measurements a modified test statistic can be used.

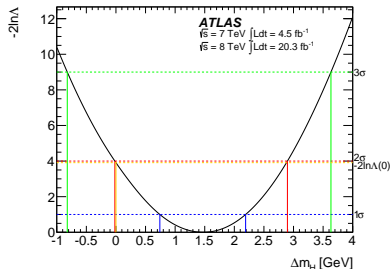
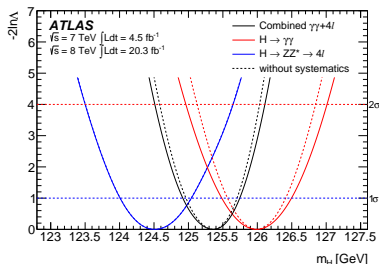
$$\Delta m_H = m_H^{\gamma\gamma} - m_H^{4\ell}$$

$$\Delta m_H = 1.47 \pm 0.67 \pm 0.28 \text{ GeV}$$

Old calibration $2.3^{+0.6}_{-0.7} \pm 0.6 \text{ GeV}$

Compatibility with Δm_H of the level of **4.9%** (2.0σ)

Assuming non-gaussian uncertainties for the 3 principal systematic uncertainties ($Z \rightarrow ee$ calibration/extrapolation, material upstream & energy scale of presampler detector) improves compat. to 11%.



iv.a Combining Coupling measurements

Signal strength combination from

$$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell, H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$$

$$VH \rightarrow Vb\bar{b}, H \rightarrow \tau\tau$$



Can combine all measurements under the assumption of a single resonance:



Profile likelihood for combination

$$\Lambda(\mu) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu})}$$

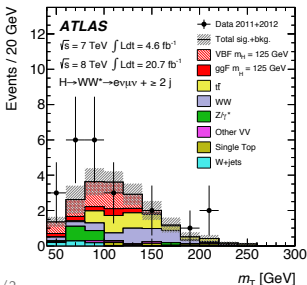
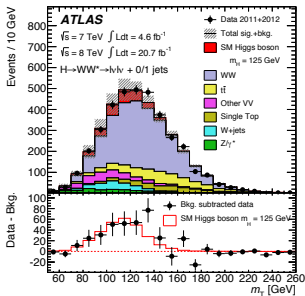
Coupling strength $\mu = \sigma^{\text{measured}} / \sigma^{\text{SM}}$

μ	$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ 1.6 ± 0.3	$H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ 1.4 ± 0.4	$H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$ 1.0 ± 0.3
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$VH \rightarrow Vb\bar{b}$ 0.2 ± 0.7	$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ 1.4 ± 0.5
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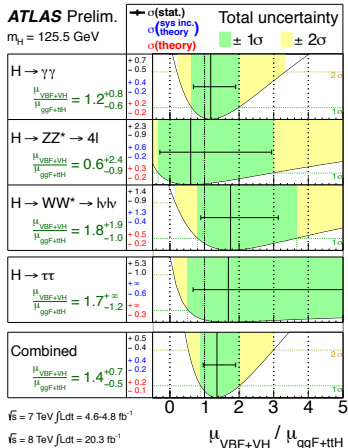
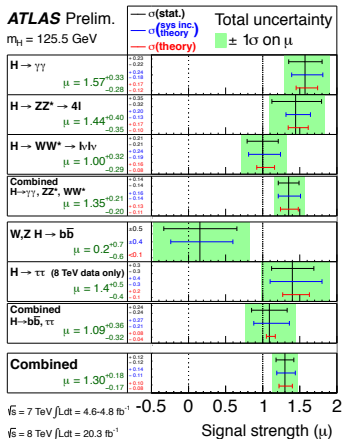
Evaluated at $m_H = 125.5 \text{ GeV}$

Plots: Transverse mass $m_T = \left((E_T^{\ell\ell} + E_T^{\text{miss}})^2 - |\mathbf{p}_T^{\ell\ell} + \mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}}|^2 \right)^{1/2}$ distributions for $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$



iv.b Combining Coupling measurements

Combined signal strength results for μ and $\mu_{\text{VBF+VH}}/\mu_{\text{ggF+ttH}}$:

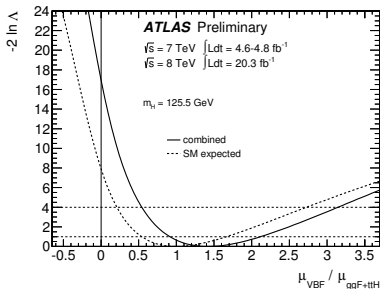
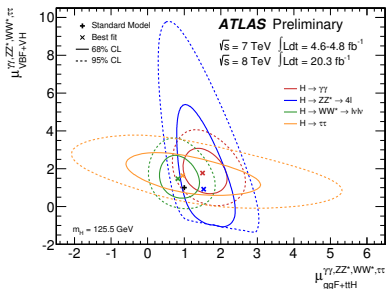


Overall signal production strength: $\mu = 1.30^{+0.18}_{-0.17}$

Evidence for VBF+VH: $\mu_{\text{VBF+VH}}/\mu_{\text{ggF+ttH}} = 1.4^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$

iv.c Combining Coupling measurements

Projection in $\mu_{\text{VBF+VH}}/\mu_{\text{ggF+ttH}}$ plane:



Coupling ratio for VBF production only: $\mu_{\text{VBF}}/\mu_{\text{ggF+ttH}} = 1.4^{+0.5+0.4}_{-0.4-0.3}$

→ Evidence at 4.1σ for VBF production!

iv.d Combining Coupling measurements

More detailed study on the Higgs coupling can be done via *leading order tree-level motivated* framework.

Assumptions:

- i. **Single resonance** at $m_H = 125.5$ GeV
- ii. **Narrow width approximation** holds, i.e. rates of the process $i \rightarrow H \rightarrow f$ are given by

$$\sigma \cdot \mathcal{B} = \frac{\sigma_i \cdot \Gamma_f}{\Gamma_H}$$

with Γ_H the Higgs width, and Γ_f the partial width of the $H \rightarrow f$ transition, and σ_i the cross section for $i \rightarrow H$ production.

- iii. **No modifications** in the tensor structure of the SM Lagrangian,
i.e. **Higgs is 0^+**

Free parameters in the framework: coupling scale factors κ_j^2 ratio of measured over SM cross section times partial decay width, κ_H^2 the total Higgs width, or double ratios of the coupling scale factors $\lambda_{ij} = \kappa_i / \kappa_j$.

E.g. the effective couplings of $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ can be written as

$$\frac{(\sigma \cdot \mathcal{B})^{\text{meas}}}{(\sigma \cdot \mathcal{B})^{\text{SM}}} = \frac{\kappa_g^2 \kappa_\gamma^2}{\kappa_H^2}$$

iv.e Combining Coupling measurements

Selection of benchmark models with focus on different observables:

Model	Probed couplings	Parameters of interest	Functional assumptions					Example: $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
			κ_V	κ_F	κ_g	κ_γ	κ_H	
1	Couplings to fermions and bosons	κ_V, κ_F	√	√	√	√	√	$\kappa_F^2 \cdot \kappa_V^2 (\kappa_F, \kappa_V) / \kappa_H^2 (\kappa_F, \kappa_V)$
2		$\lambda_{FV}, \kappa_{VV}$	√	√	√	√	-	$\kappa_{VV}^2 \cdot \lambda_{FV}^2 \cdot \kappa_V^2 (\lambda_{FV}, \lambda_{FV}, \lambda_{FV}, 1)$
3	Custodial symmetry	$\lambda_{WZ}, \lambda_{FZ}, \kappa_{ZZ}$	-	√	√	√	-	$\kappa_{ZZ}^2 \cdot \lambda_{FZ}^2 \cdot \kappa_V^2 (\lambda_{FZ}, \lambda_{FZ}, \lambda_{FZ}, \lambda_{WZ})$
4		$\lambda_{WZ}, \lambda_{FZ}, \lambda_{\gamma Z}, \kappa_{ZZ}$	-	√	√	-	-	$\kappa_{ZZ}^2 \cdot \lambda_{FZ}^2 \cdot \lambda_{\gamma Z}^2$
5	Vertex loops	κ_g, κ_γ	=1	=1	-	-	√	$\kappa_g^2 \cdot \kappa_\gamma^2 / \kappa_H^2 (\kappa_g, \kappa_\gamma)$

The ticks correspond to a certain fixed functional dependence – more details in backup

Model 1: One coupling factors for fermions and one coupling factor for bosons: κ_F, κ_V

Model 2: Removing the constraint on the Higgs boson width (i.e. that the measured partial widths have to saturate the total width) only the ratio $\lambda_{FV} = \kappa_F / \kappa_V$ and $\kappa_{VV} = \kappa_V^2 / \kappa_H$ can be measured.

Model 1

$$\kappa_F = 0.99^{+0.17}_{-0.15}$$

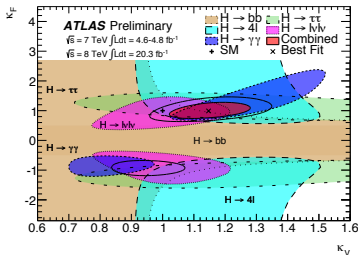
$$\kappa_V = 1.15^{+0.08}_{-0.08}$$

Model 2

$$\lambda_{FV} = 0.86^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$$

$$\kappa_{VV} = 1.28^{+0.16}_{-0.15}$$

Compatibility of SM with both model fits: 10%.



iv.f Combining Coupling measurements

SM custodial symmetry: W & Z couple identically to Higgs, i.e. $\lambda_{WZ} = \kappa_W / \kappa_Z = 1$

Model 3 & 4: $H \rightarrow VV$ & $i \rightarrow H \rightarrow VV$

information; Model 4 also includes degrees of freedom for a potential BSM to $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Model 3
 $\lambda_{WZ} = 0.94^{+0.14}_{-0.29}$

Model 4
 $\lambda_{WZ} = 0.80 \pm 0.15$

Compatibility of SM with Model 4: **21%**.

Calculated using full 7D covariance between determined values.

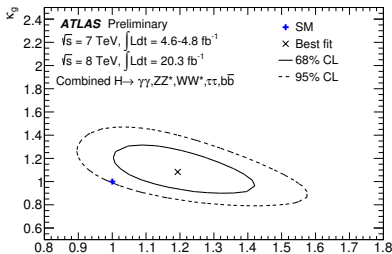
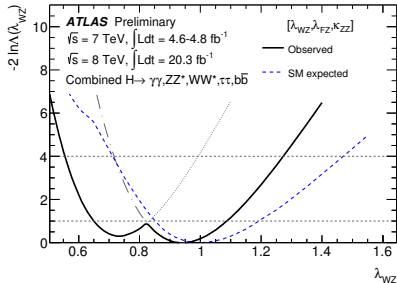
Model 5: Result for κ_g & κ_γ :

$$\kappa_g = 1.08^{+0.15}_{-0.13}$$

$$\kappa_\gamma = 1.19^{+0.15}_{-0.12}$$

Compatibility of SM with fit: **9%**.

Calculated using full 2D covariance between determined values.



v.a Combined Spin results

Spin & CP can be inferred by angular correlation of Higgs decay products:

Channels used for combination: $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
 $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$, $H \rightarrow WW^*$.

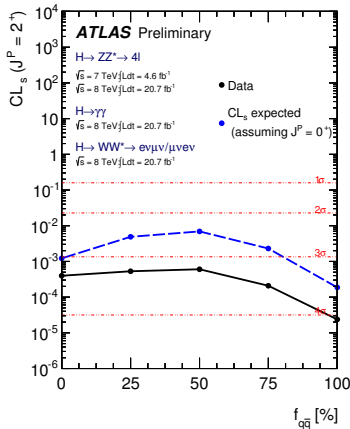


Hypothesis test: Spin 0^- (**SM**) versus Spin 2^+

Test spin 2 admixture of leading order $q\bar{q} \rightarrow X$
 & $gg \rightarrow X$ production: $f_{q\bar{q}}$

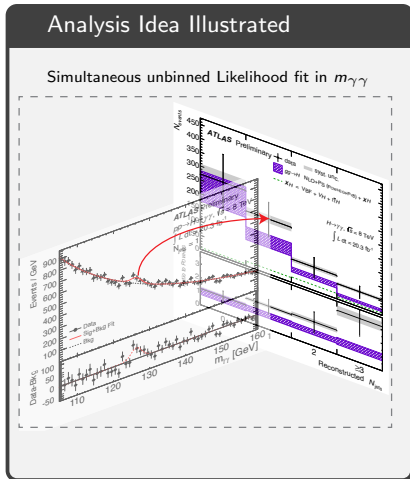


Entire Spin 2^+ configuration space excluded at **99.9%** CL_s .



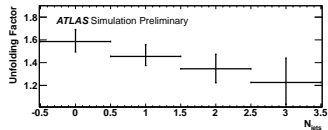
vi.a Differential Cross sections from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Differential cross section measurements from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



Unfolding

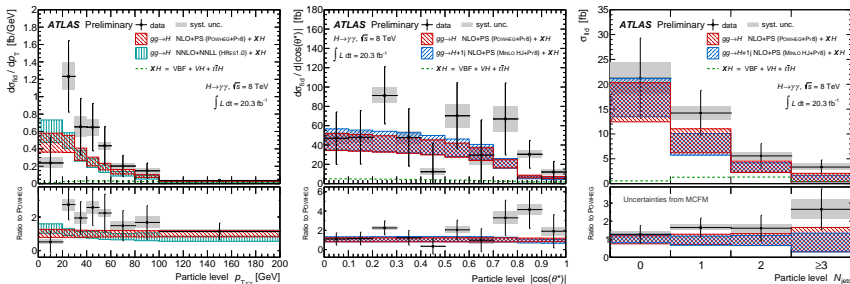
- * Unfold yields into cross sections using **bin-by-bin** correction factors
 - * Truth fiducial definition chosen to closely match experimental selection.
- Minimizes model dependence.



Measured 7 variables: Higgs p_T and rapidity, $\cos \Theta^*$, N_{jets} , leading jet p_T , p_T^{H+jj} , $\Delta\phi_{jj}$

vi.b Differential Cross sections from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Higgs p_T , helicity angle, and N_{jets} compared with HRes, Powheg+Py8, HJ Minlo+Py8



Compatibility with SM predictions:

P-value based on χ^2 using full experimental + theory covariance

	N_{jets}	$p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$	$ y^{\gamma\gamma} $	$ \cos \theta^* $	p_T^j	$\Delta\phi_{jj}$	$p_T^{\gamma\gamma jj}$
POWHEG	0.54	0.55	0.38	0.69	0.79	0.42	0.50
MINLO	0.44	-	-	0.67	0.73	0.45	0.49
HRES	1.0	-	0.39	0.44	-	-	-

- * Statistical limited at this point
- Good agreement with SM predictions.

vi.a Conclusion

- * **New:** Combination of precision mass measurement from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ & $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$:

$$m_H = 125.36 \pm 0.37 \pm 0.18 \text{ GeV}$$

New calibration reduces tension between both channels.

- * Overall signal production strength combining $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$, $H \rightarrow WW^*$, $VH \rightarrow Hb\bar{b}$, $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$: (with old calibration and mass)

$$\mu = 1.30^{+0.18}_{-0.17}$$

Observed coupling compatible with SM Higgs

- * VBF coupling strength from combination:

$$\mu_{\text{VBF}} / \mu_{\text{ggF+ttH}} = 1.4^{+0.5+0.4}_{-0.4-0.3}$$

→ Evidence of 4.1σ for VBF production of Higgs

vi.b Conclusion

- * Results with *leading order tree-level motivated* framework:

Assumptions Single resonance, 0^+ , narrow width approx.

- * **5 models** with focus on different observables:

- 1/2 Couplings to Fermions & Bosons
- 3/4 Custodial Symmetry
- 5 Vertex loops

→ All determined couplings compatible with the SM
(p -values ranging from 12-20%)

- * **Differential cross section measurements** from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

- * 7 observables studied, e.g. Higgs p_T and helicity angle

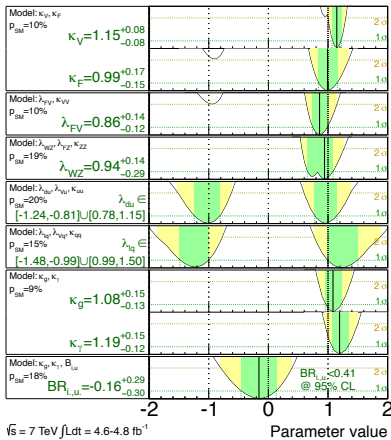
→ All measured distributions compatible with the SM.

ATLAS Preliminary

$m_H = 125.5 \text{ GeV}$

Total uncertainty

■ $\pm 1\sigma$ ■ $\pm 2\sigma$



Updated coupling analysis paper in preparation

Updated differential & fiducial cross section paper in preparation

Other interesting results out, like low- & high-mass search for additional narrow resonances [[ATLAS-CONF-2014-031](#)]

We are in the transition period from discovery to more precise measurements. Very exciting conditions for LHC Run period 2.

Slight **Paradigm shift ongoing**: unfolded differential distributions will make it possible for outsiders to test our understanding of the Higgs boson

Thank you

Backup