

Measurement of cross sections and properties of the Higgs boson in decays to bosons with the ATLAS experiment

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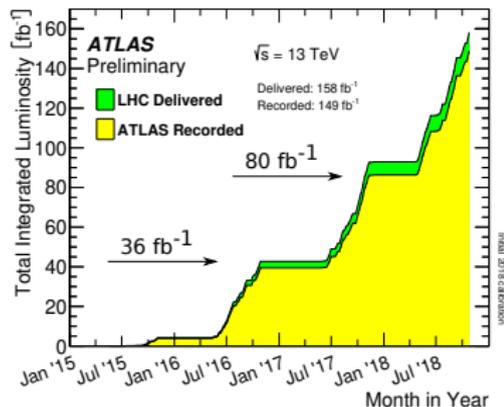
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Latest Summer Run 2 results with 80 fb⁻¹ 13 TeV:

- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: ATLAS-CONF-2018-028
- $H \rightarrow 4\ell$: ATLAS-CONF-2018-018
- combination $\gamma\gamma + 4\ell + e\nu\mu\nu + \tau\tau + VH(bb) + \mu\mu + ttH(bb \text{ and multilepton})$: ATLAS-CONF-2018-031
- combination $ttH \gamma\gamma + 4\ell + bb + \text{multilepton}$ (5.8σ): Phys. Lett. B 784 (2018) 173

Latest Run 2 results with 36 fb⁻¹ 13 TeV:

- Mass $\gamma\gamma+4\ell$: Phys. Lett. B 784 (2018) 345
- xsections combination $\gamma\gamma+4\ell$: Phys. Lett. B 786 (2018) 114
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: Phys. Rev. D 98 (2018) 052005
- $H \rightarrow 4\ell$: JHEP 03 (2018) 095
- EFT interpretation $\gamma\gamma+4\ell$: ATL-PHYS-PUB-2017-018
- $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$: Phys. Lett. B 789 (2019) 508



1 Higgs boson and its properties

2 Decay channels ($\gamma\gamma$, $ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$, $WW^* \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$)

3 Combination

4 Conclusions

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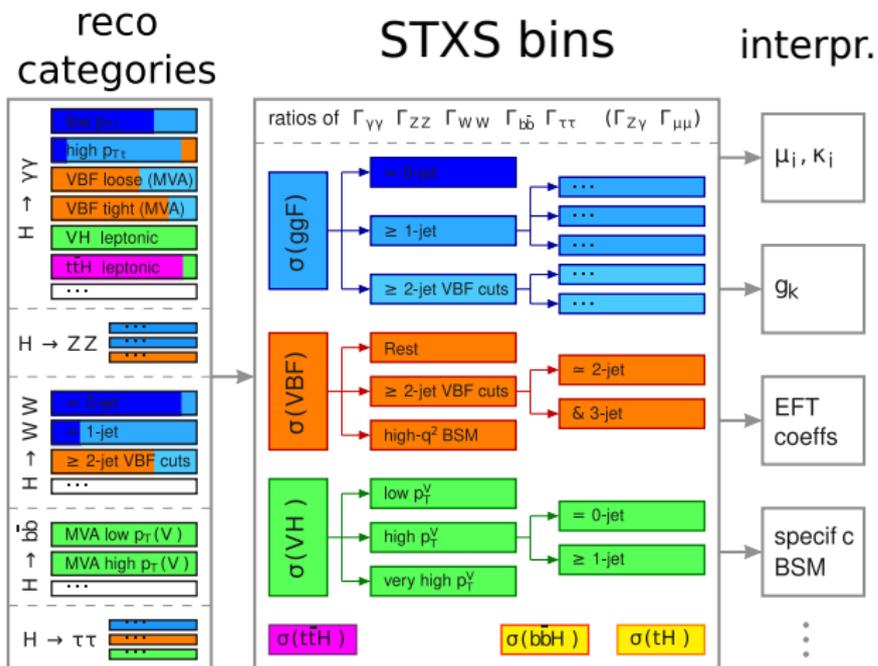
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Simplified template cross sections (STXS) stage 1

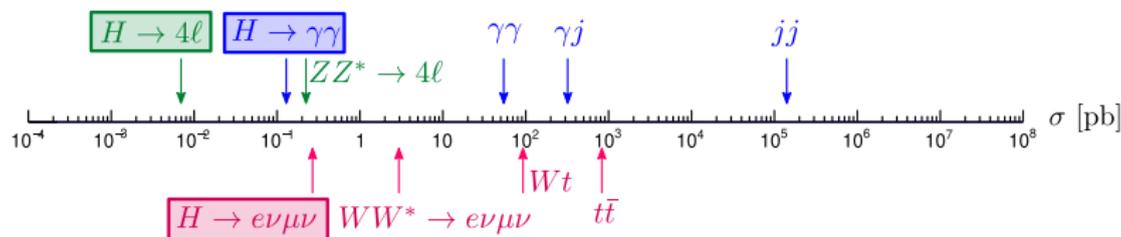
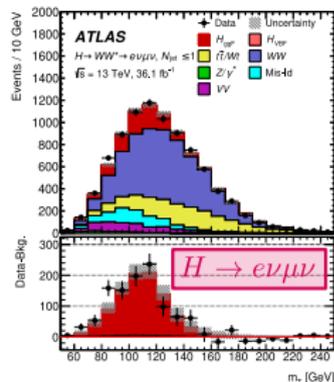
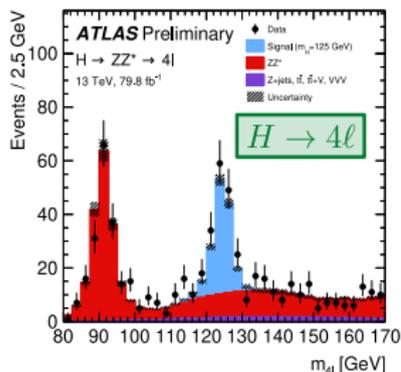
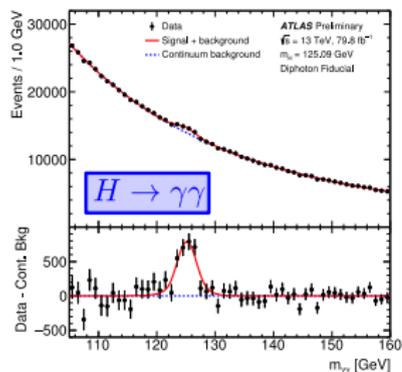
- Defined in the CERN Yellow Report 4
- Exclusive fiducial regions defined by production mode, p_T^H , N_j , VBF-topology, $p_T^{j_1}$, $p_T^{Hj_1}$, p_T^V



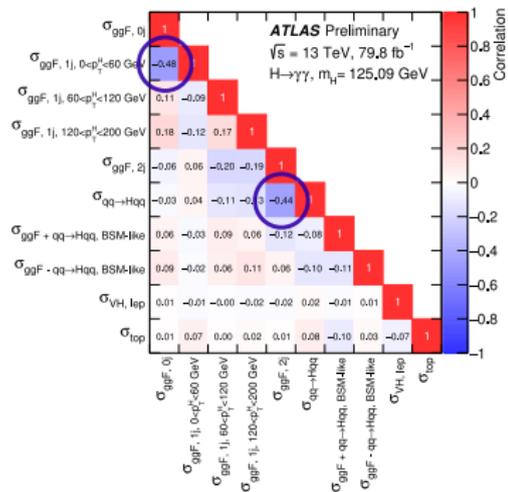
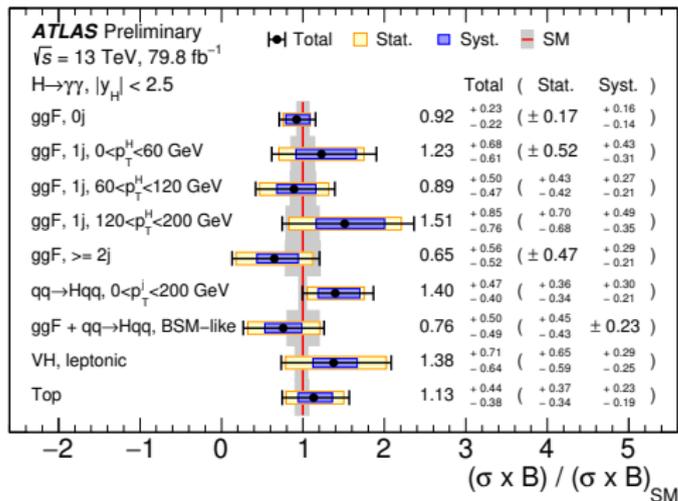
- Design measurement to split events according to STXS

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

	BR/ 10^{-3}	sig. eff.	mass resolution	Backgrounds
$\gamma\gamma$	2.27	42%	1.41–2.10 GeV	Large: $q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and fakes
4ℓ	0.124	24%	1.6–2.4 GeV	Small: $q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow ZZ^*$ and fakes
$e\nu\mu\nu$	5.04	$\sim 11\%$	Transverse mass	$q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow WW^*, t\bar{t}, Wt, \dots$



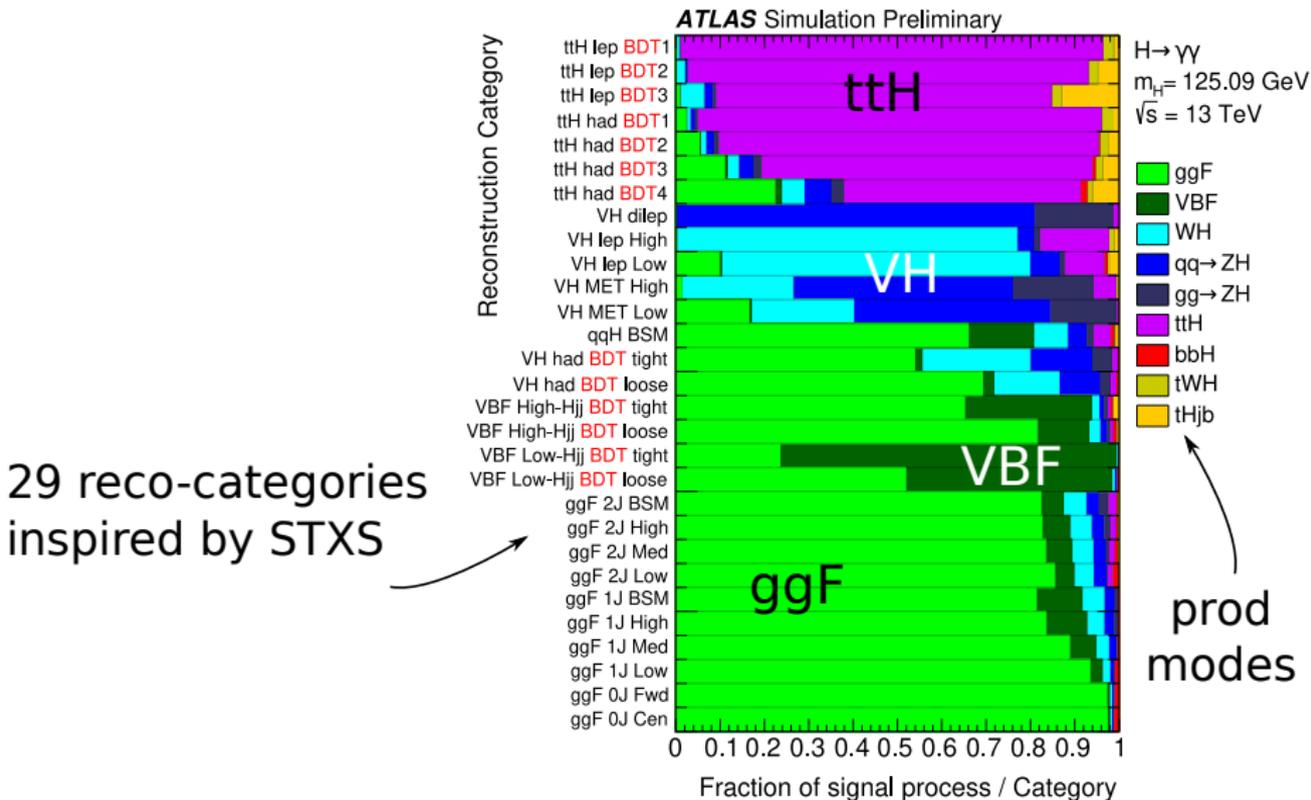
- Decay with loop: can probe **coupling to both fermions and vectors**; sensitive to **BSM**
- Model large smooth **background as a functional form**, fitted on data
 - Difficult to validate the potential bias on the signal: important systematics
- Lot of data: categorize the events in a fine way, targeting STXS
- Observable: diphoton mass, direction from calorimeter pointing



- Difficult to separate $ggF\ 0j/ggF\ 1j\ p_T < 60 \text{ GeV}$ and $qq \rightarrow Hqq/ggF\ 2j$

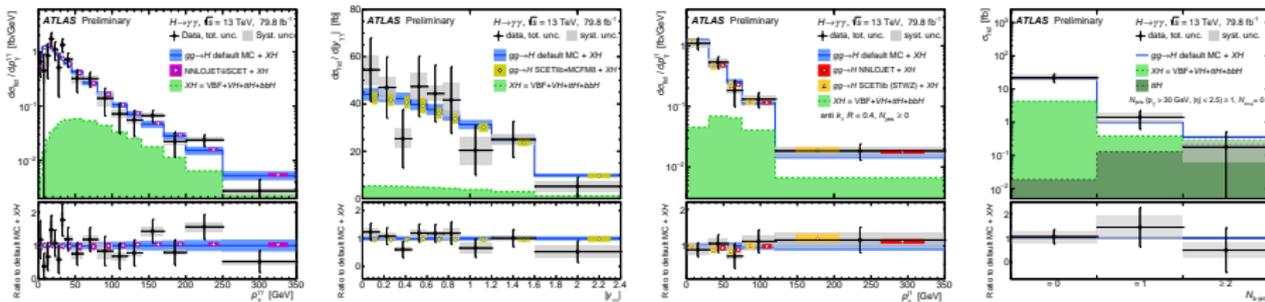
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ coupling categorization

To measure many cross-sections with small correlation **split events in pure categories**



$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ cross sections

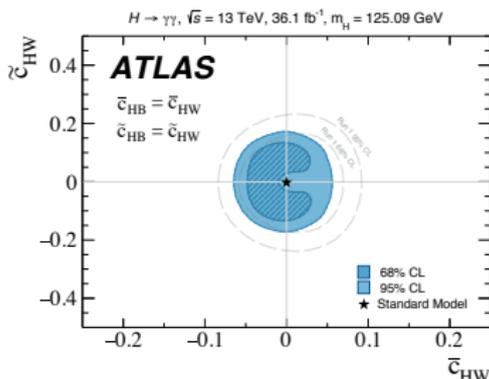
With 80 fb^{-1} unfolded (bin by bin) distribution for $p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$, $y_{\gamma\gamma}$, p_T^j , N_{b-jets} (lepton-veto)



Define fiducial regions only with kinematic cuts, close to the ones used in the analysis:
small model dependency. $p\text{-value}(\chi^2) \text{ data/SM} > 30\%$

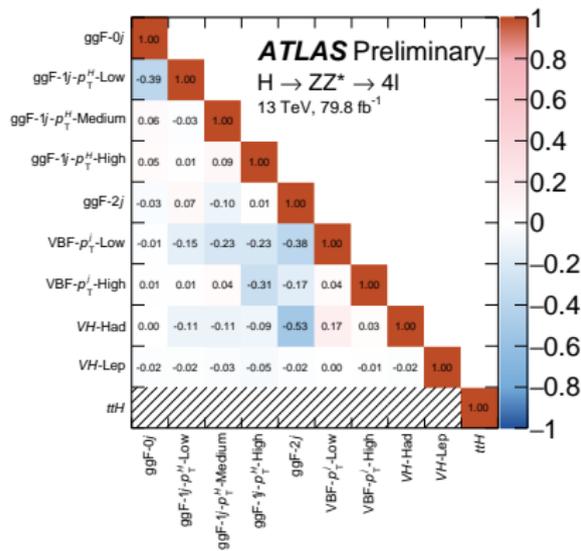
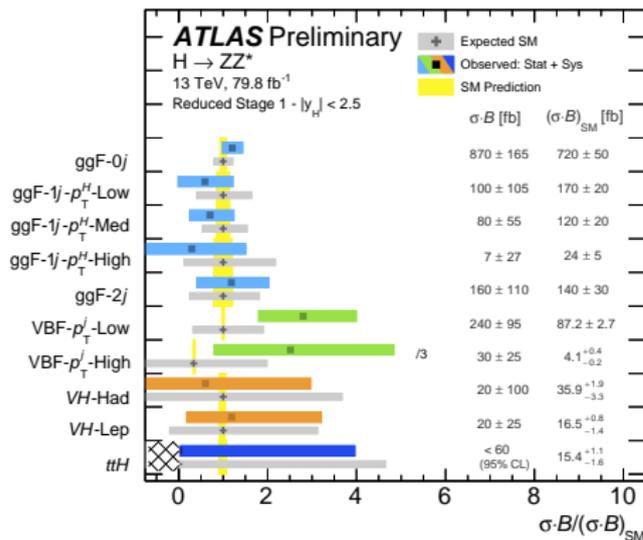
Can be used as input of **EFT interpretation** (36 fb^{-1}):

- introduce additional CP-even and CP-odd interactions in SILH framework
- inputs: $p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$, N_j , m_{jj} , $|\Delta\phi_{jj}|$, p_T^j and their correlations



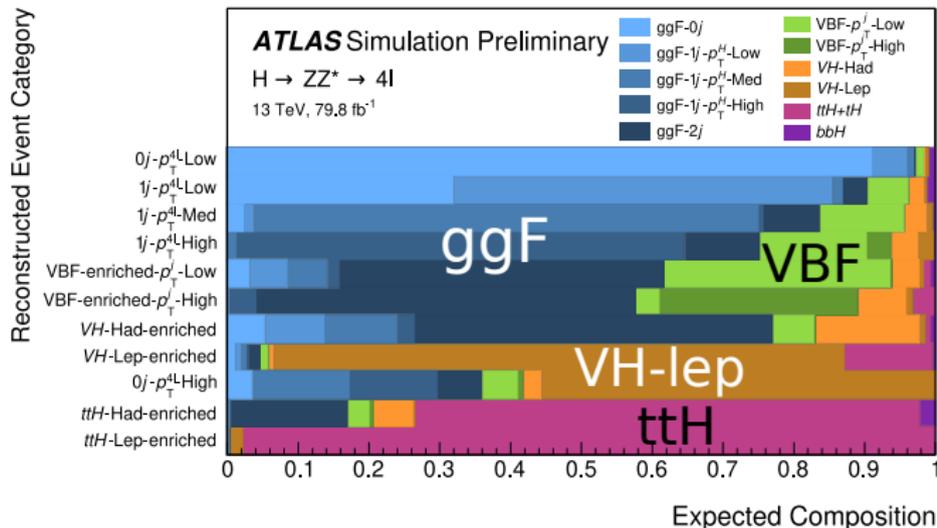
$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ coupling

- Very pure channel, but less statistics
- Correct the mass for FSR photons
- Largest backgrounds from MC, fakes data driven



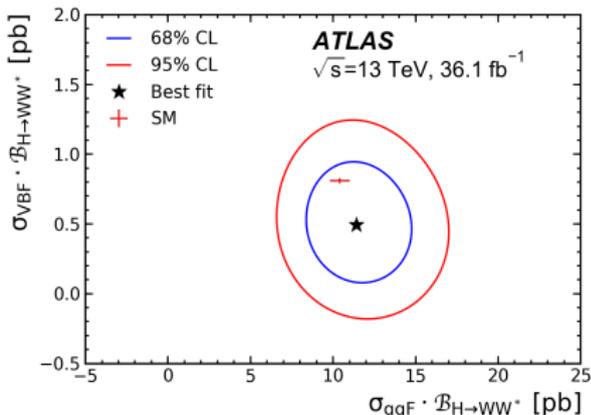
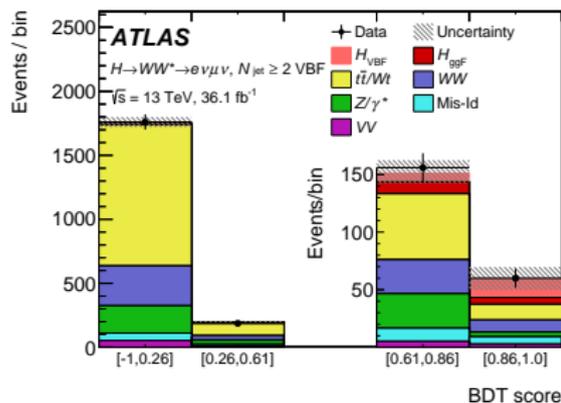
Use a reduced scheme due to limited statistics

$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ coupling categorization



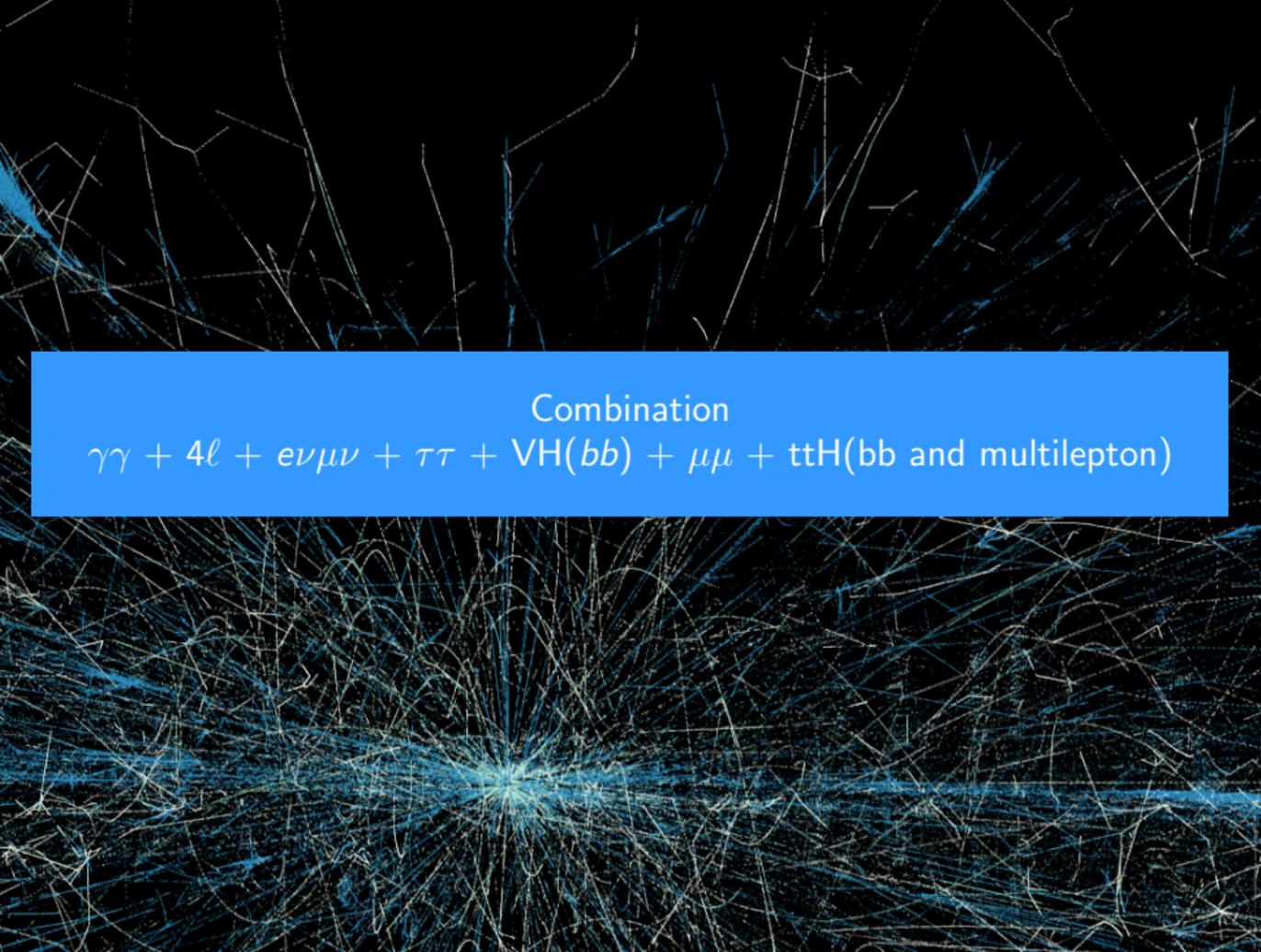
- Categorization of the events with simple cuts that mimic STXS definitions
- For each region as observable use the **output of BDT distributions**.
 - BDT using **kinematic discriminant** (based on matrix elements) and other kinematic variables trained to remove ZZ^* background and ggF from other production modes.
- Main uncertainty from luminosity and lepton efficiency

- Categorize by N_j , $m_{\ell\ell}$, p_T^{subl} , $(e/\mu)^{\text{subl}}$
- Use transverse mass (for ggF, i.e. 0,1 j) or BDT (for VBF i.e. 2j) as observable
- Background normalization from dedicated CR



process	$\sigma \times \text{BR}$	SM prediction
ggF	$11.4_{-1.1}^{+1.2}(\text{stat.})_{-1.1}^{-1.2}(\text{theo syst.})_{-1.3}^{+1.4}(\text{exp. syst.}) \text{ pb}$	$10.4 \pm 0.6 \text{ pb}$
VBF	$0.50_{-0.22}^{+0.24}(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.10(\text{theo syst.})_{-0.13}^{+0.12}(\text{exp. syst.}) \text{ pb}$	$0.81 \pm 0.02 \text{ pb}$

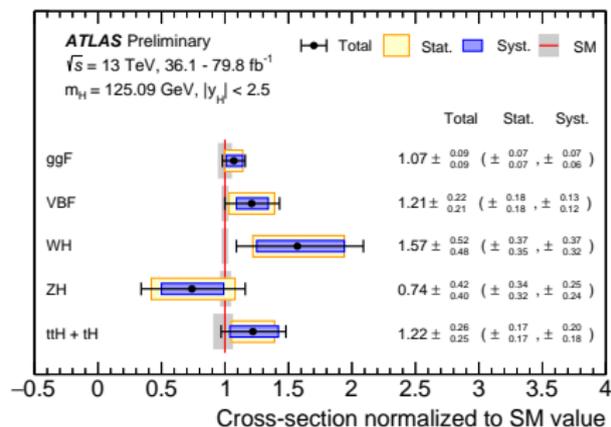
Important systematics from **theory uncertainty on WW background**.

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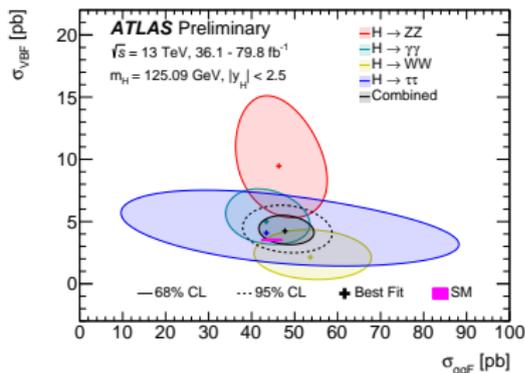
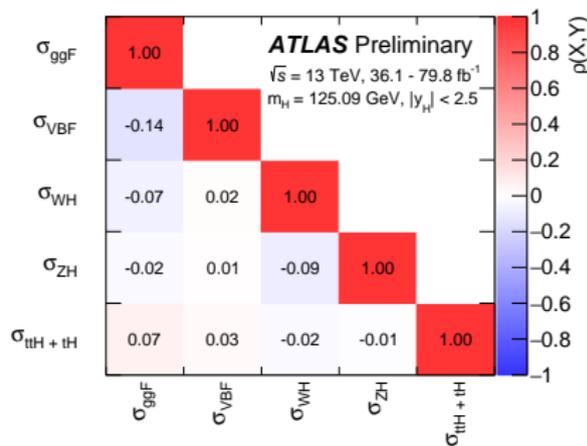
Combination

$\gamma\gamma + 4\ell + e\nu\mu\nu + \tau\tau + VH(bb) + \mu\mu + ttH(bb \text{ and multilepton})$

Cross sections per production mode $|y_H| < 2.5$

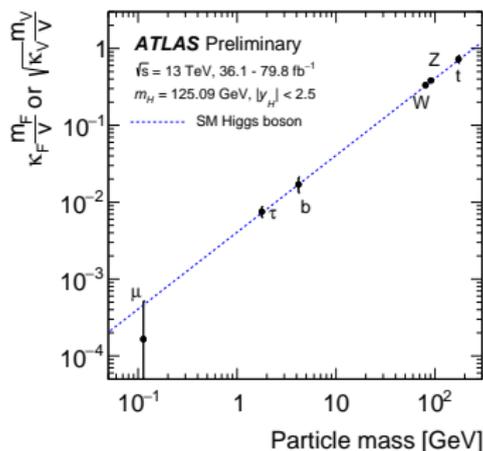
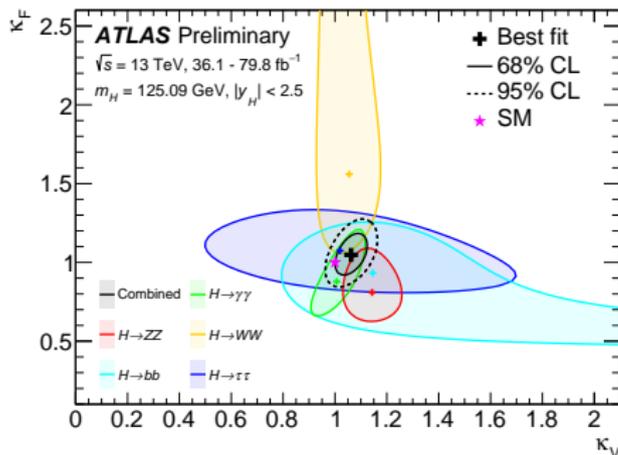


- All the measurement still dominated by statistics
- Main correlation from the contamination ggF in VBF
- Br fixed to SM (with uncertainties)



$$(\sigma \times \text{BR})_{if} = k_i^2 \sigma_i^{\text{SM}} \times \frac{k_f^2 \Gamma_f^{\text{SM}}}{k_H^2 \Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}}$$

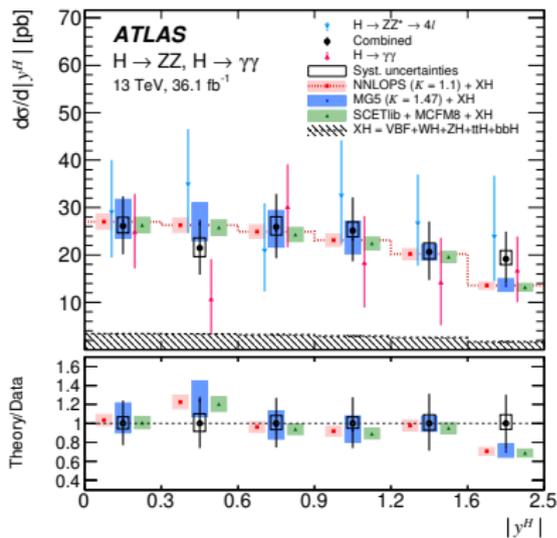
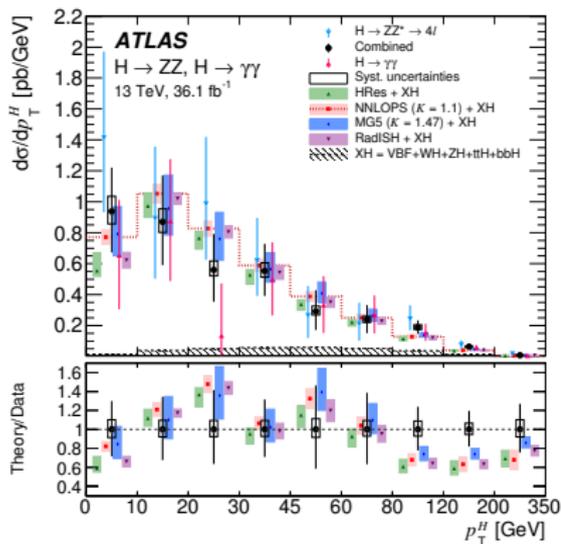
In the simpler case only two modifiers: k_V and k_F , $k_H^2 = k_H^2(k_V, k_F)$
 or with more modifiers: $k_\mu, k_\tau, k_t, k_b, k_W, k_Z$



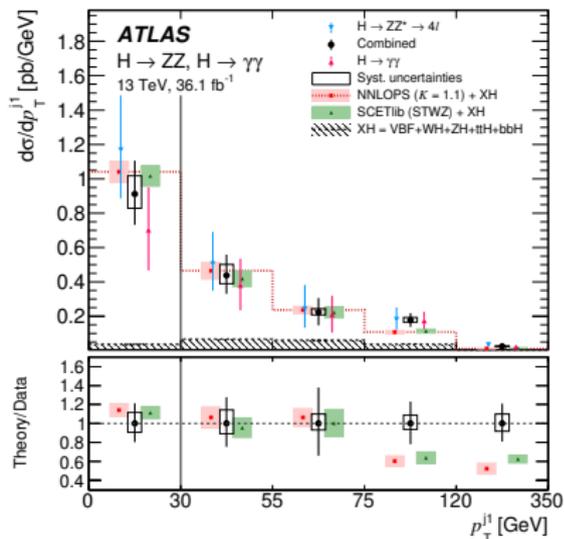
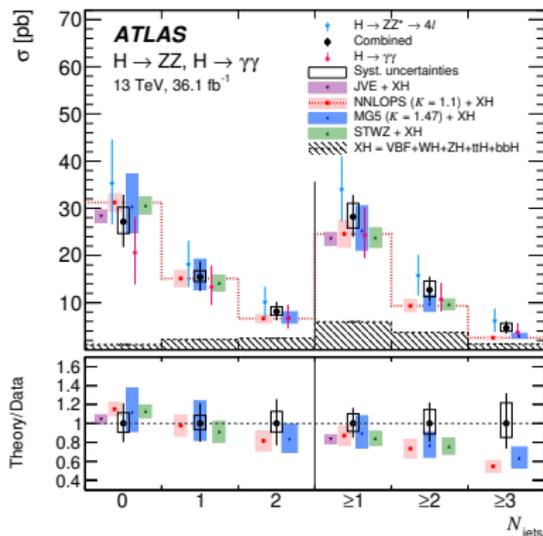
or k_g and k_γ and BSM contributions

Differential cross sections (p_T^H and $|y_H^H|$) with $36 \text{ fb}^{-1} \gamma\gamma+4\ell$

p_T^H sensitive to pQCD, $|y_H^H|$ sensitive to PDF



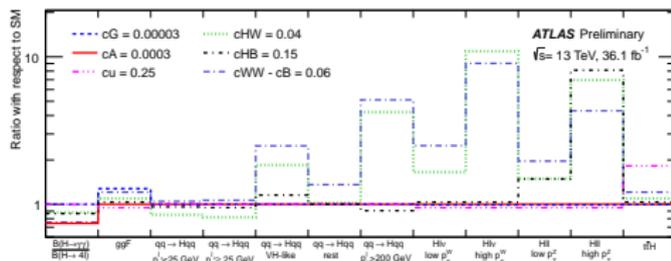
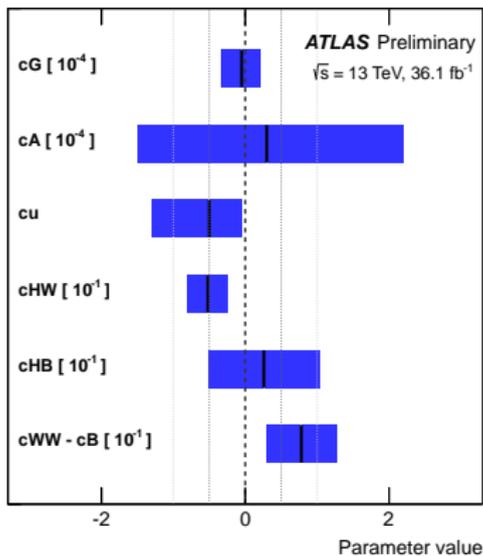
N_j and p_T^{j1} sensitive to high- p_T QCD radiation and to different production modes



$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_i c_i^{(6)} \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)} / \Lambda^2$$

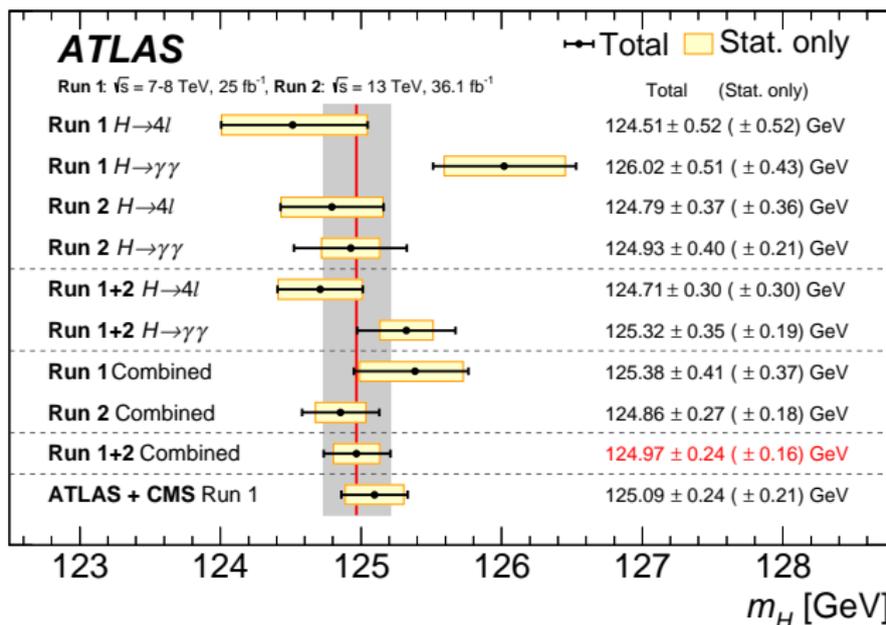
Six coefficients $\bar{c}_i = c_i / \Lambda$ in the SIHL basis related to STXS cross-sections

Observed HEL constraints with $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$ and $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



- Some correlations between parameters
- Good compatibility with SM (p-value 47%)
- Will add more measurements, larger set of operators

- Hundreds of systematics on the energy/momentum scale of $\gamma/e/\mu$
- Energy scale mostly from $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$ ($\langle p_T^\ell \rangle \simeq 40\text{ GeV}$) comparing data/MC
 - $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ($\langle p_T^\gamma \rangle \simeq 60\text{ GeV}$) starts to be dominated by systematics



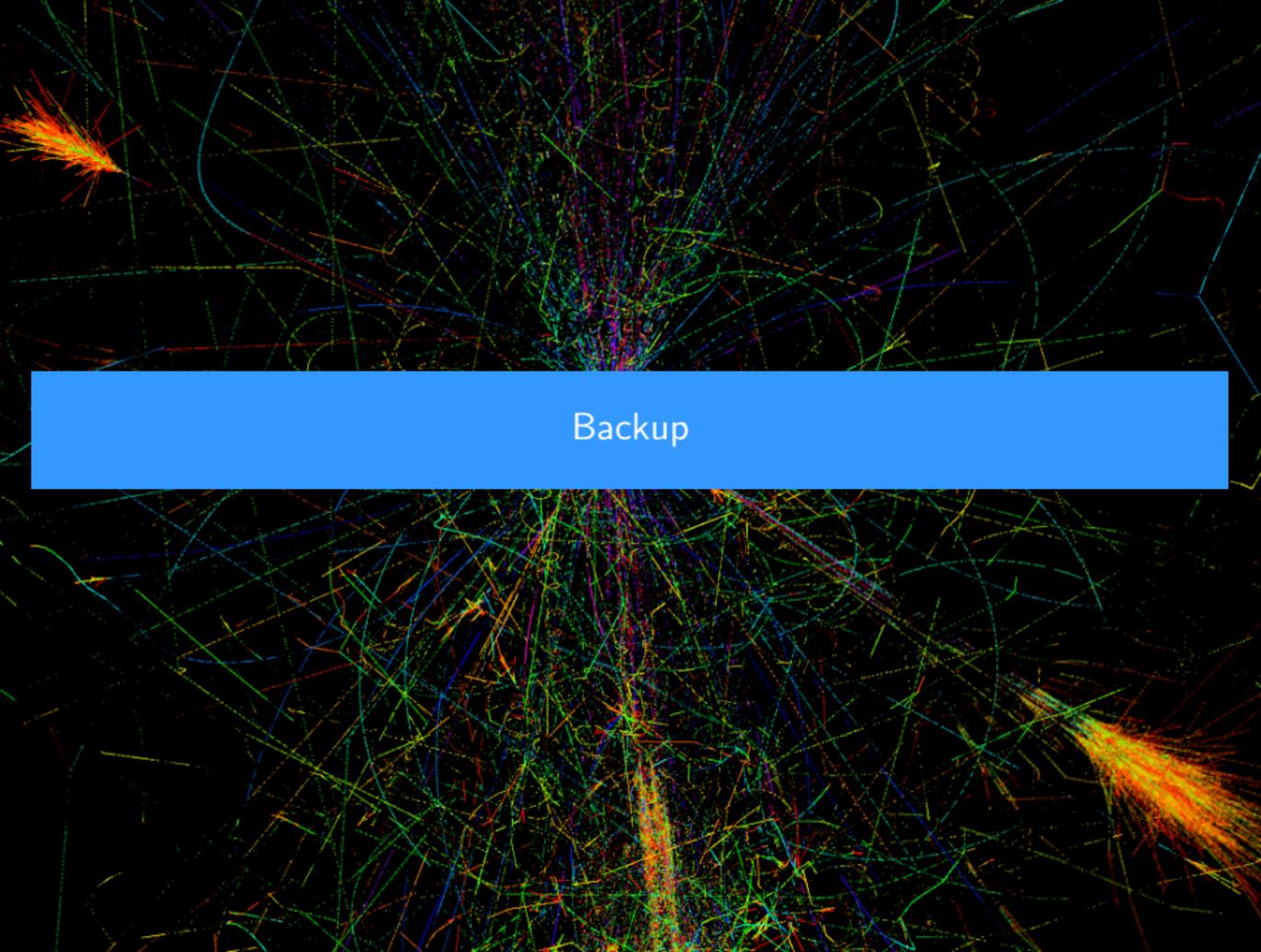


Conclusions

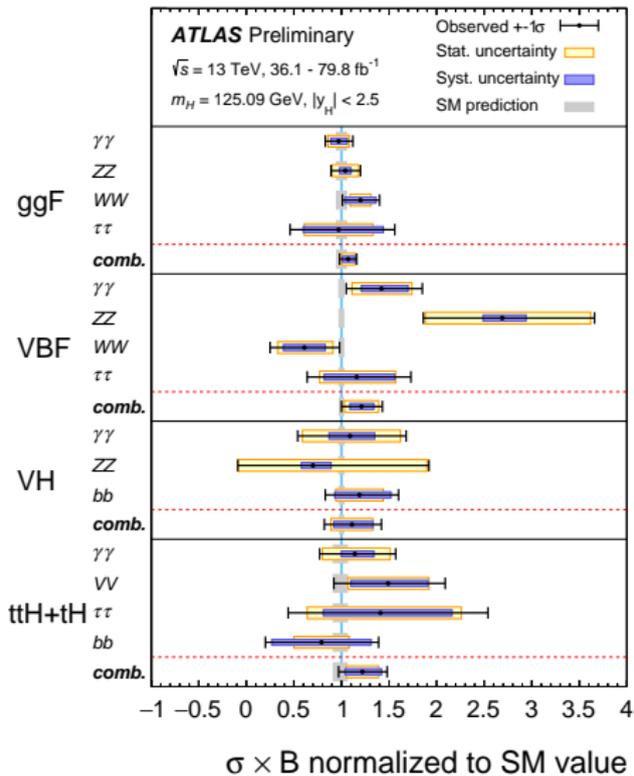
- Precision studies about Higgs boson from ATLAS have been presented: fiducial/differential cross sections, couplings, mass
- Preliminary results based on 80 fb^{-1} , or 36 fb^{-1} , using $\gamma\gamma$, $ZZ(4\ell)$, $WW(e\nu\mu\nu)$ decays
- More data \Rightarrow more measurements, more differential, more complicated interpretations ($\mu \rightarrow k_i \rightarrow EFT/PO$)
- No deviation from SM
- Now working on final Run2 papers with 140 fb^{-1}

*Thanks for your
attention*



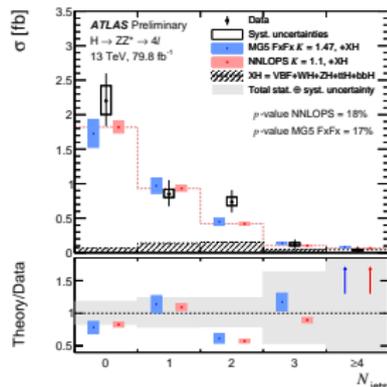
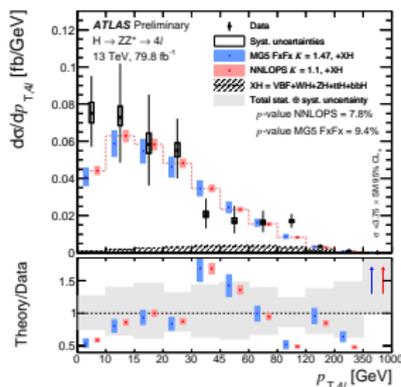
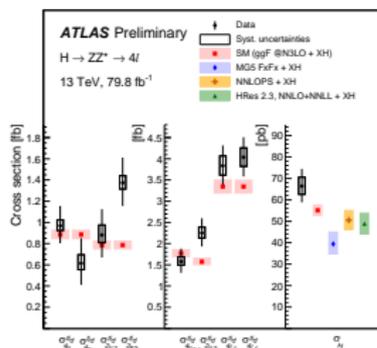
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Backup



$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ (differential) cross sections

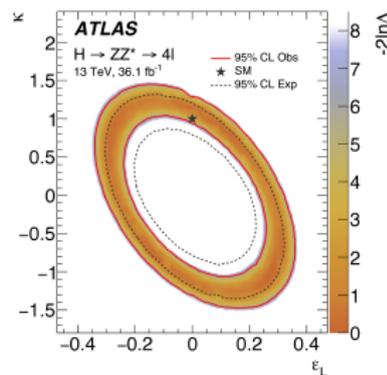
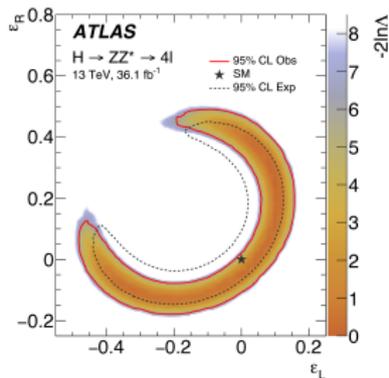
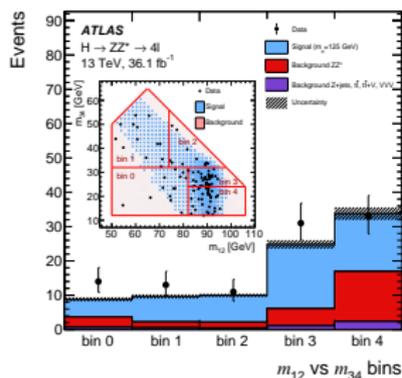
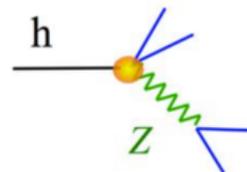
- Categorize by flavour: 4μ , $2\mu 2e$, $2e 2\mu$, $4e$
- Fit $m_{4\ell}$ distribution
- Fiducial regions (by flavours), total and differential ($p_T^{4\ell}$, N_j) cross sections



In addition study contact interaction with the Z boson, and left or right-handed leptons (in the **pseudo-observable framework**)

Contact interaction with pseudo observables $H \rightarrow 4\ell$

- Using double differential $m_{12} \oplus m_{34}$
- Extension to k-framework: probe anomalous coupling to leptons (left ε_L , right ε_R) and Z (k)



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Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: July 2018

