

# Higgs Physics in ATLAS

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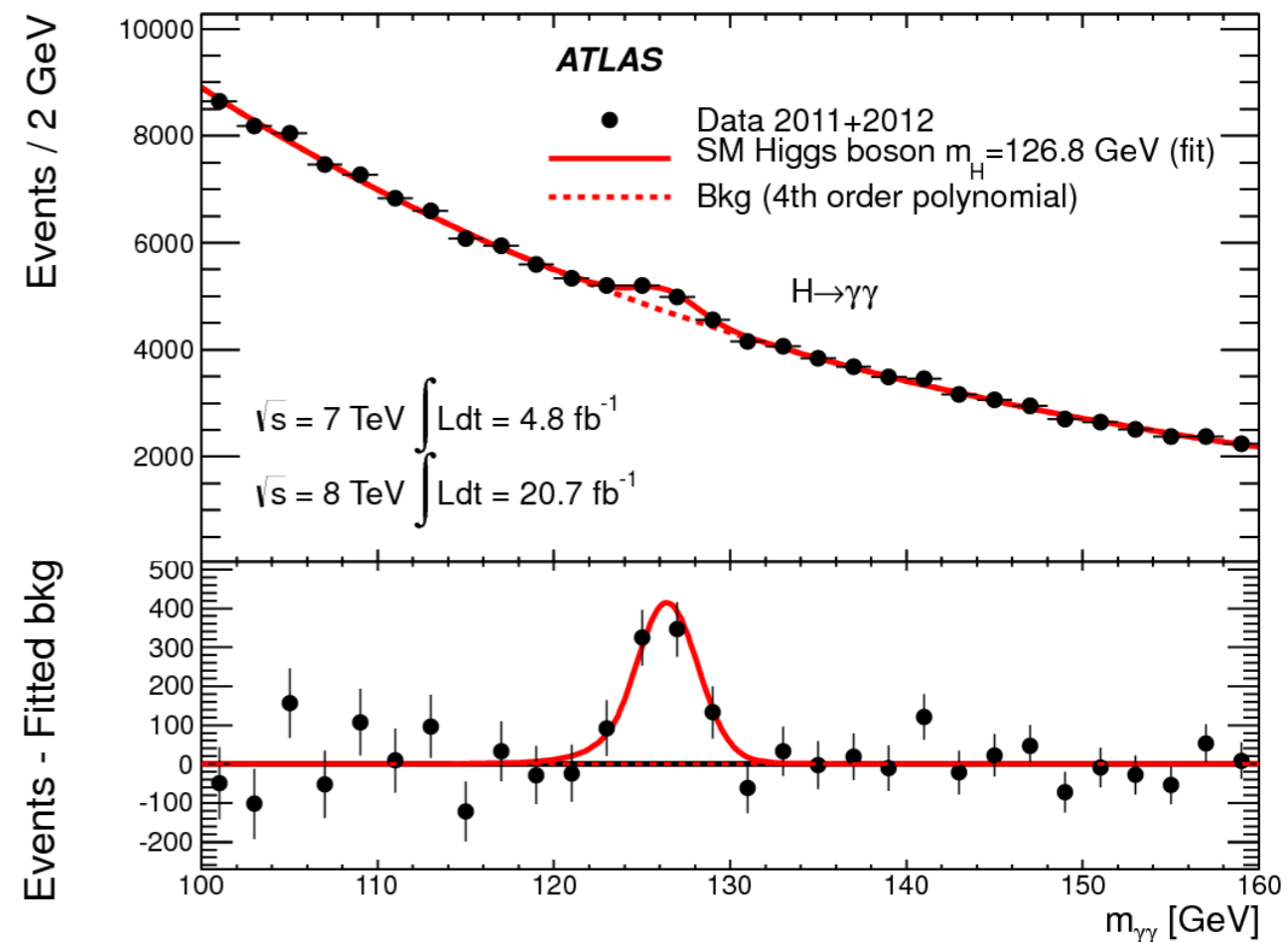
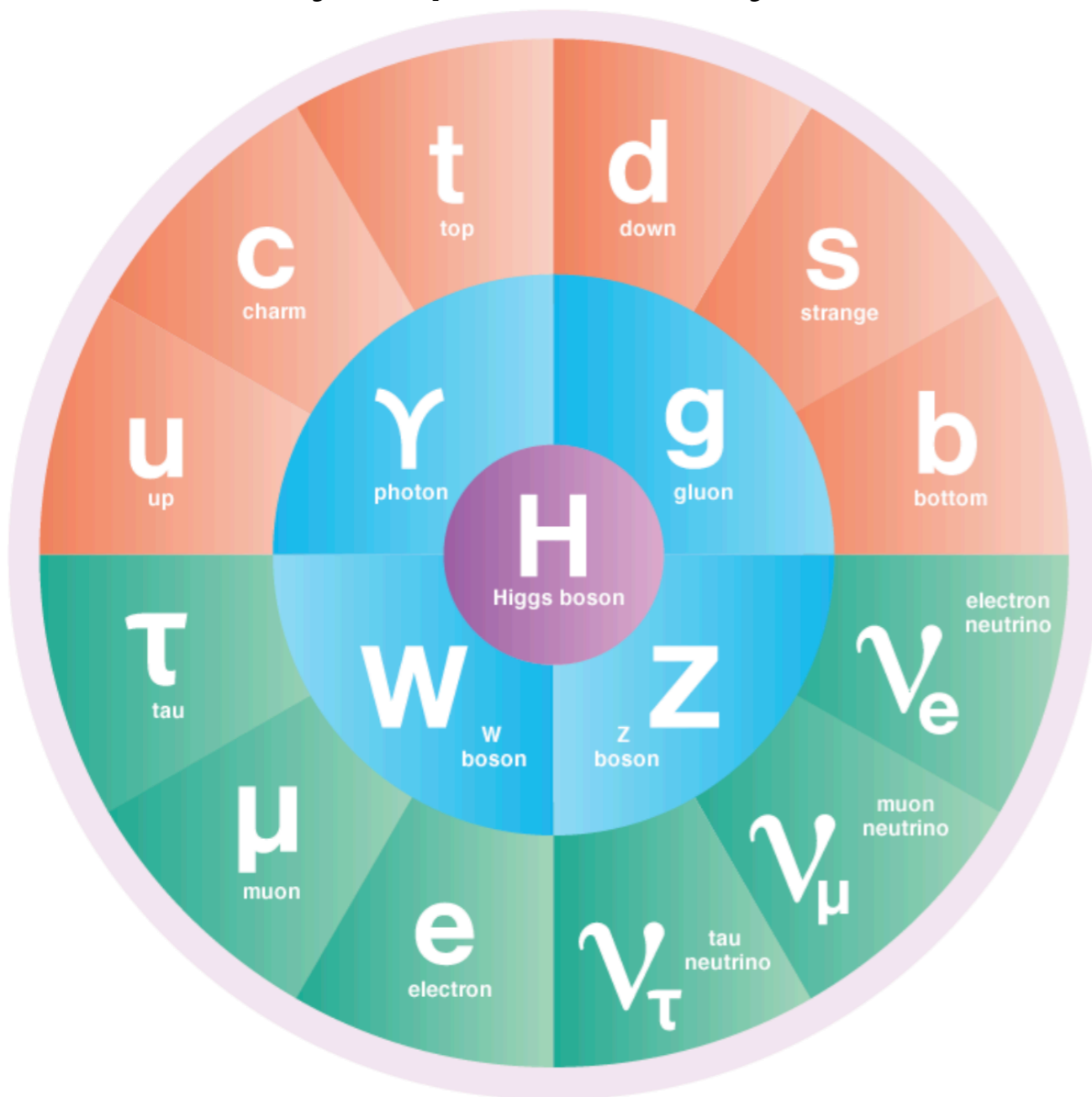
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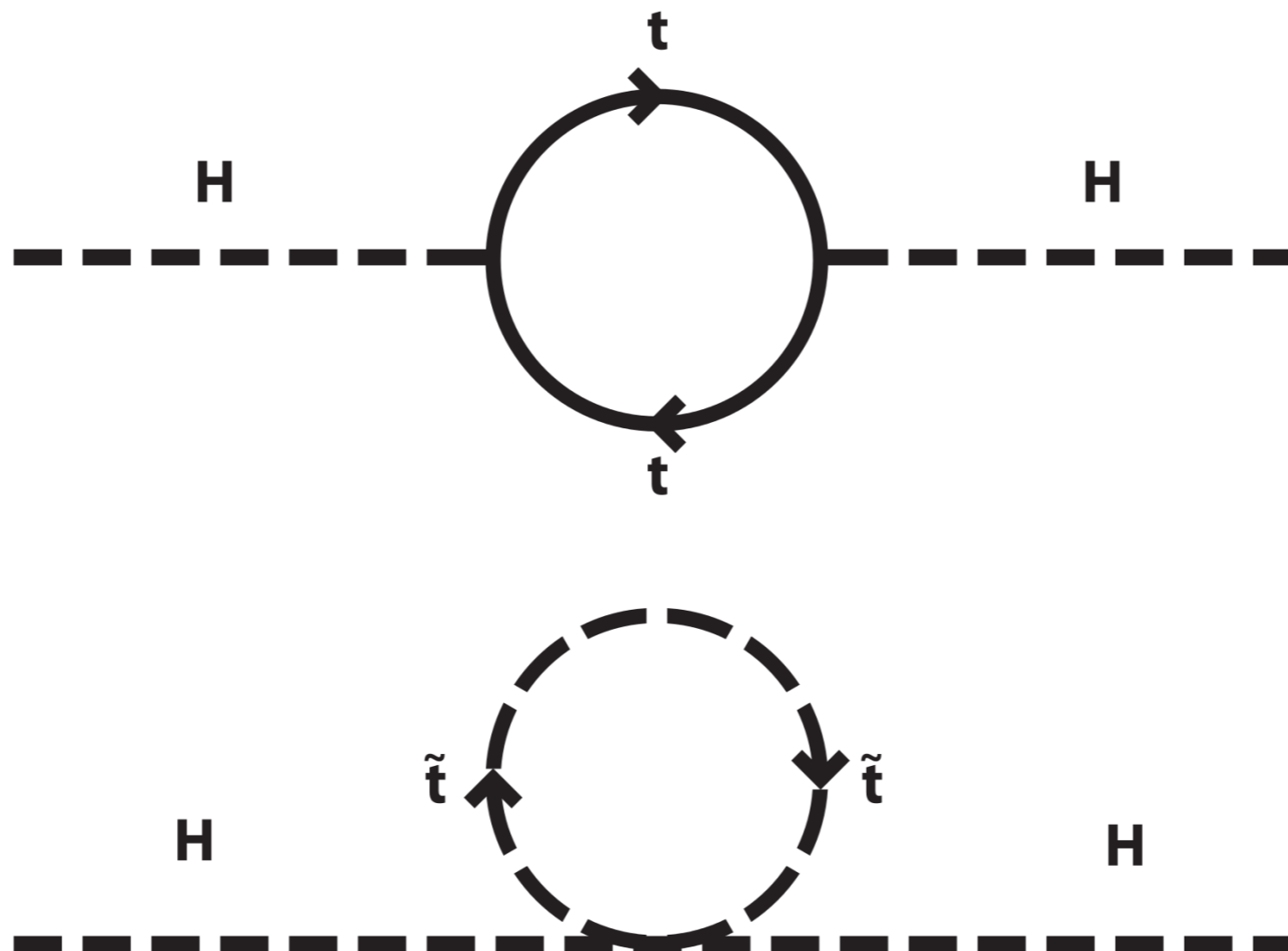
- Higgs boson **discovered** during Run 1 of the LHC.
- The only experimentally verified **fundamental scalar** ... **SPECIAL !**



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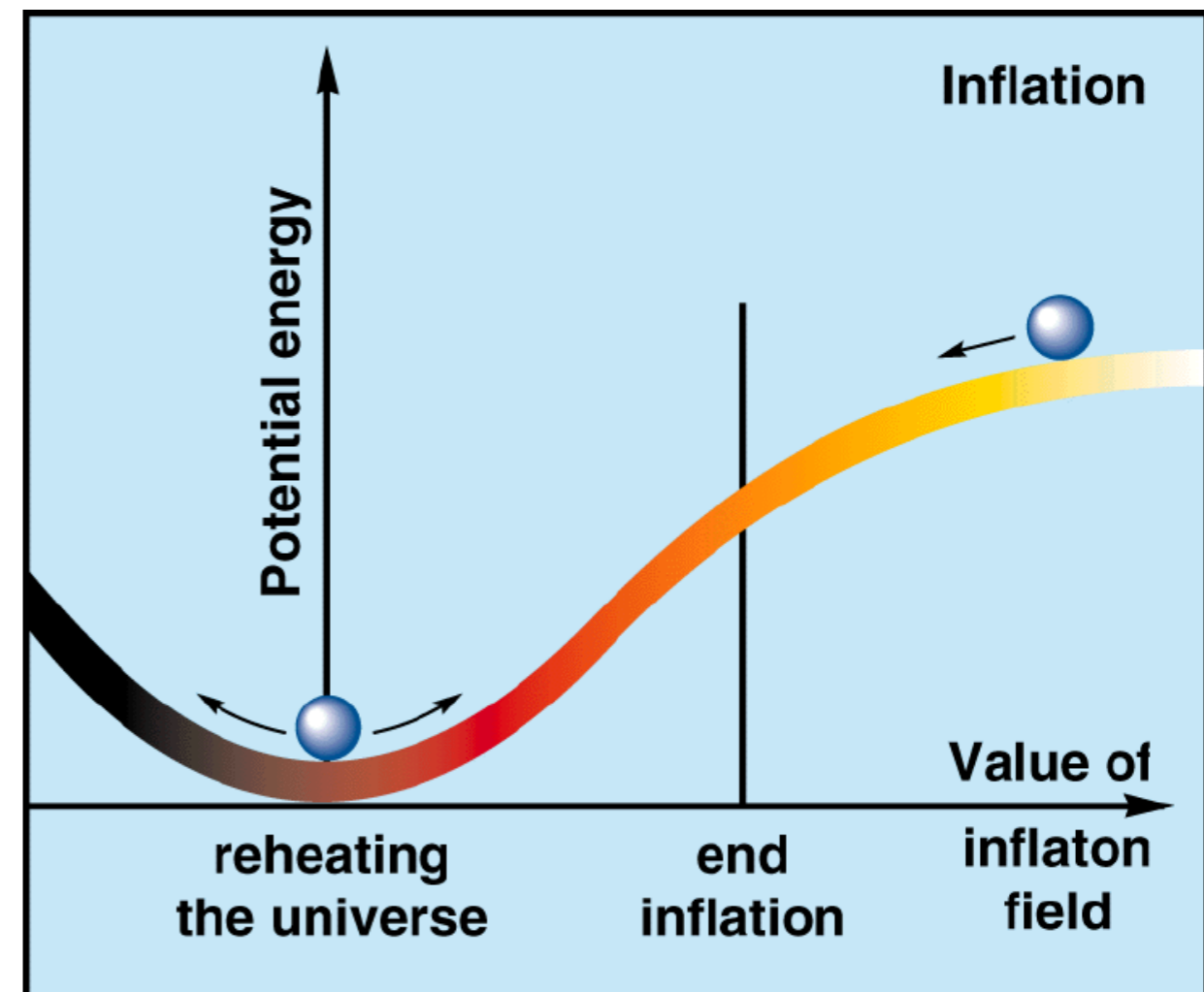
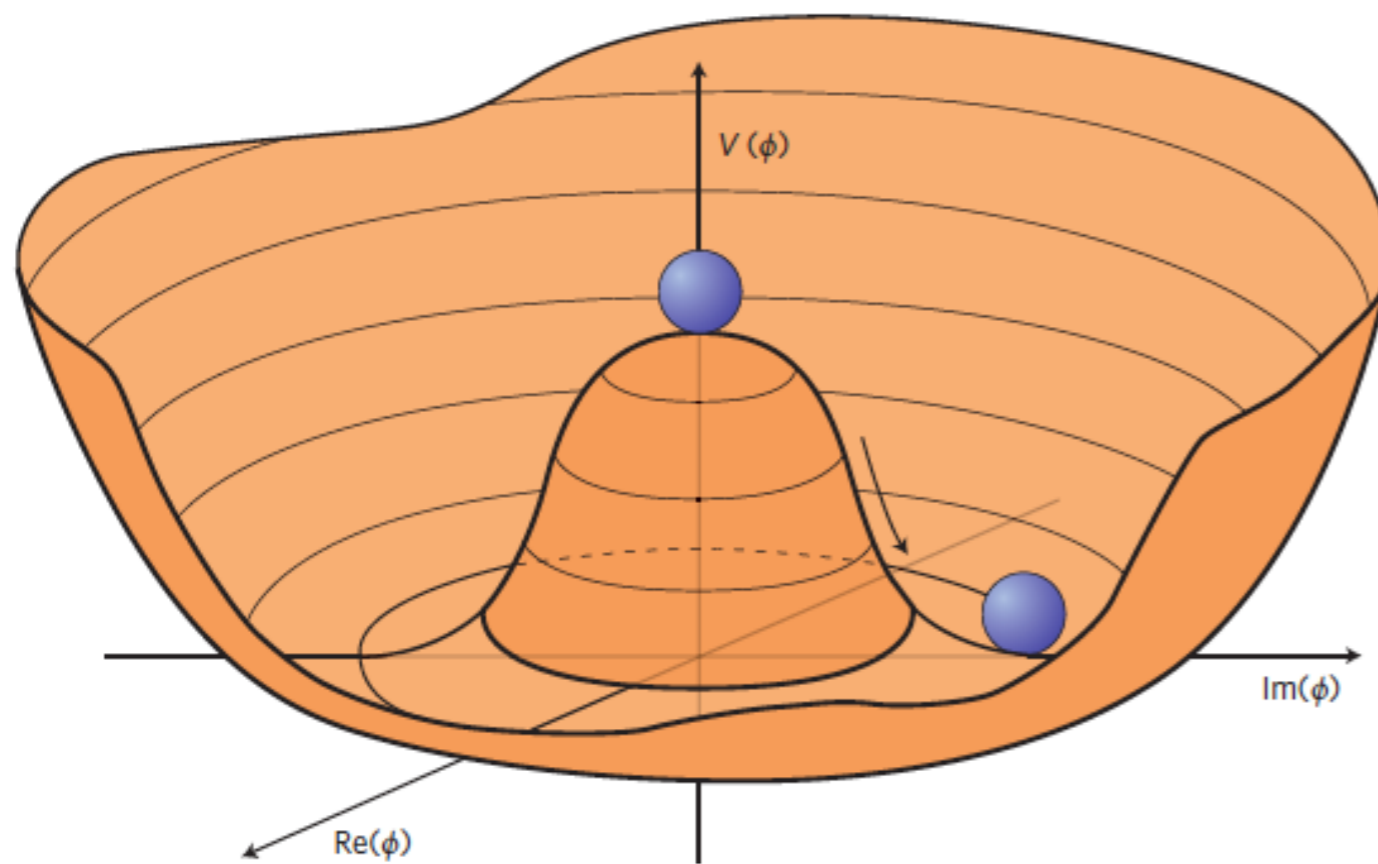
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- Higgs mass explained by popular beyond Standard Model (BSM) theories like Supersymmetry ... **SPECIAL !**



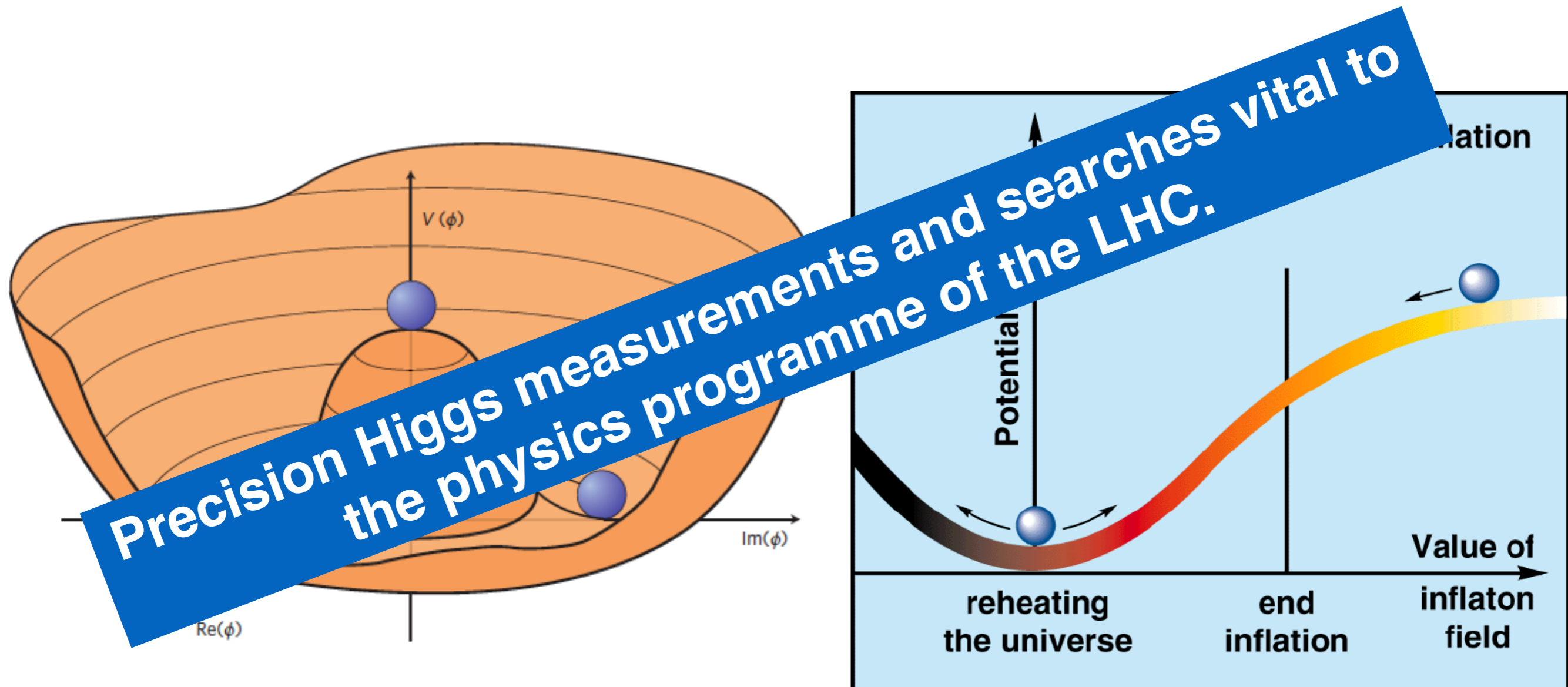
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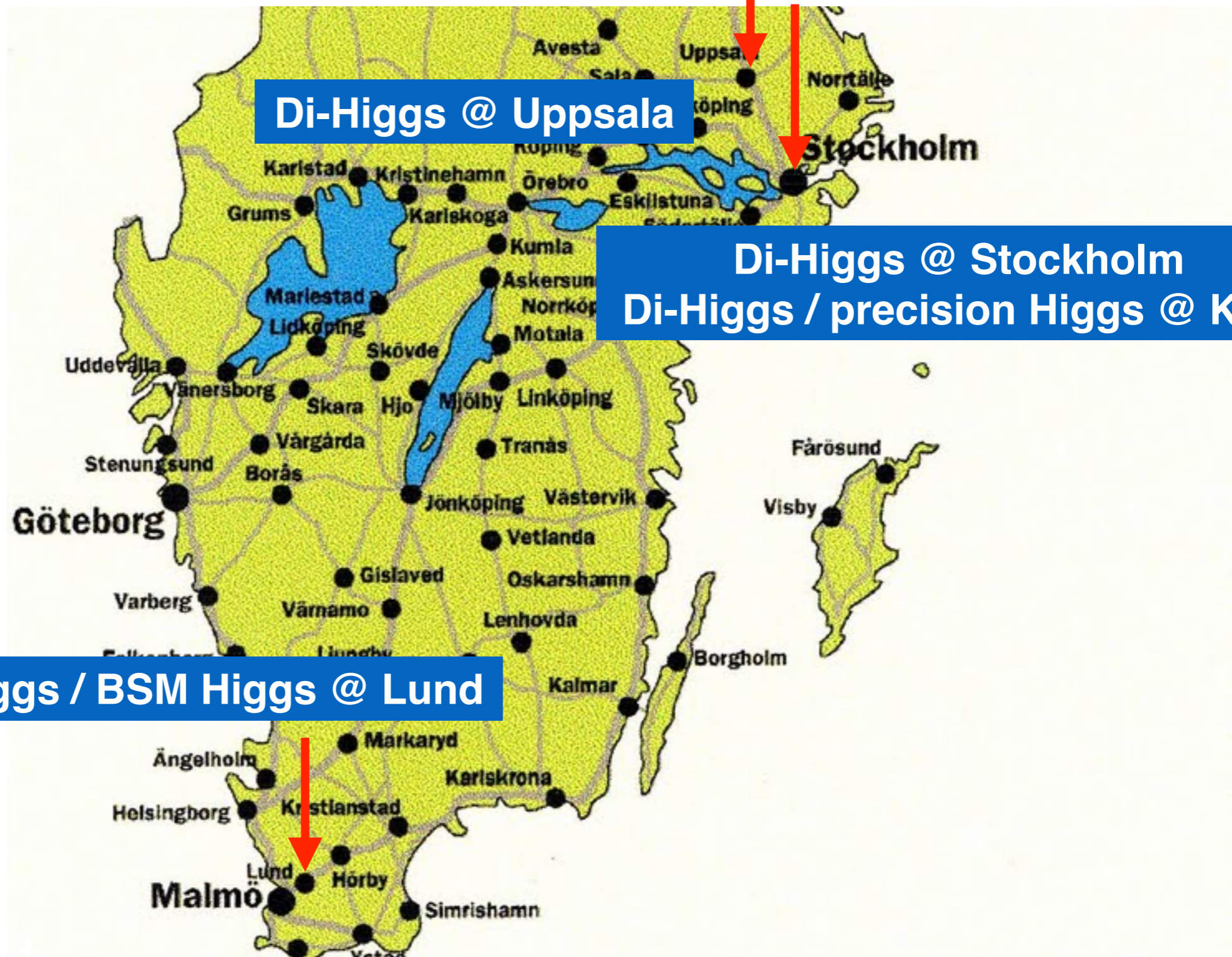


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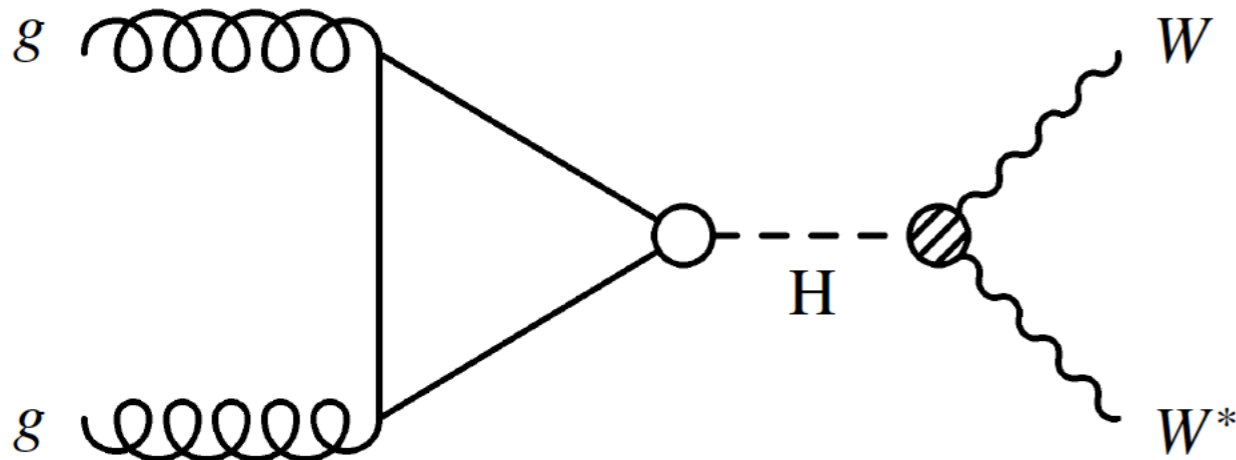
# And *who* cares ? ...



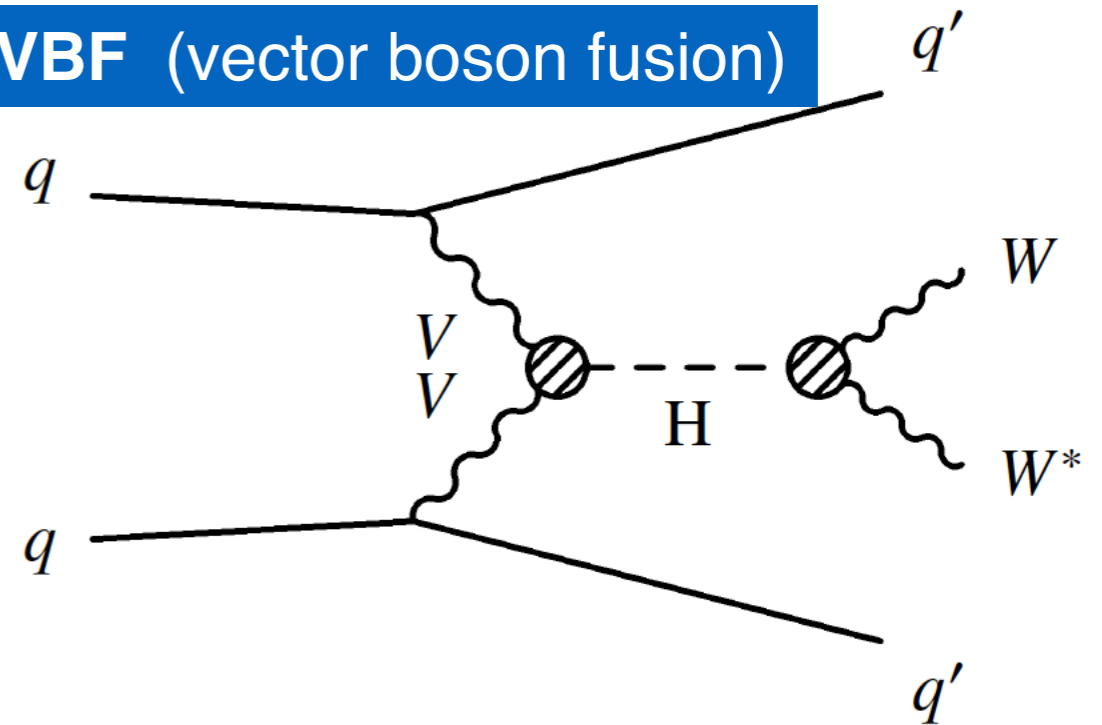
# Precision Measurements

# $H \rightarrow WW^*$ Measurements

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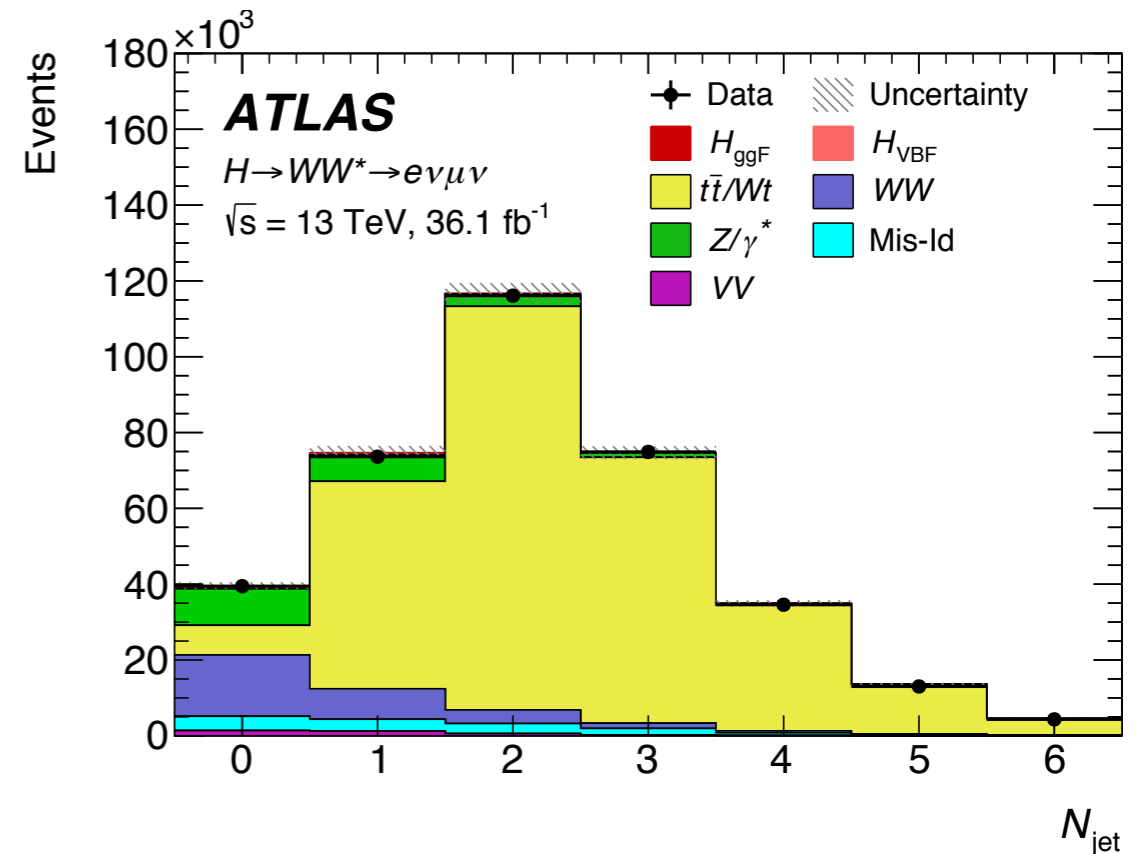


## VBF (vector boson fusion)



- $WW^*$  **second-largest branching fraction (BF) + clean final states** => precise and rigorous test of the SM prediction.
- $W \rightarrow l\nu$  => single leptons triggers and a dilepton  $e\text{-}\mu$  trigger.
- **Categorisation based on  $N_{\text{jet}}$ :**  
 $N_{\text{jet}} = 0, 1 \Rightarrow ggF$ ;  $N_{\text{jet}} = 2+ \Rightarrow VBF$

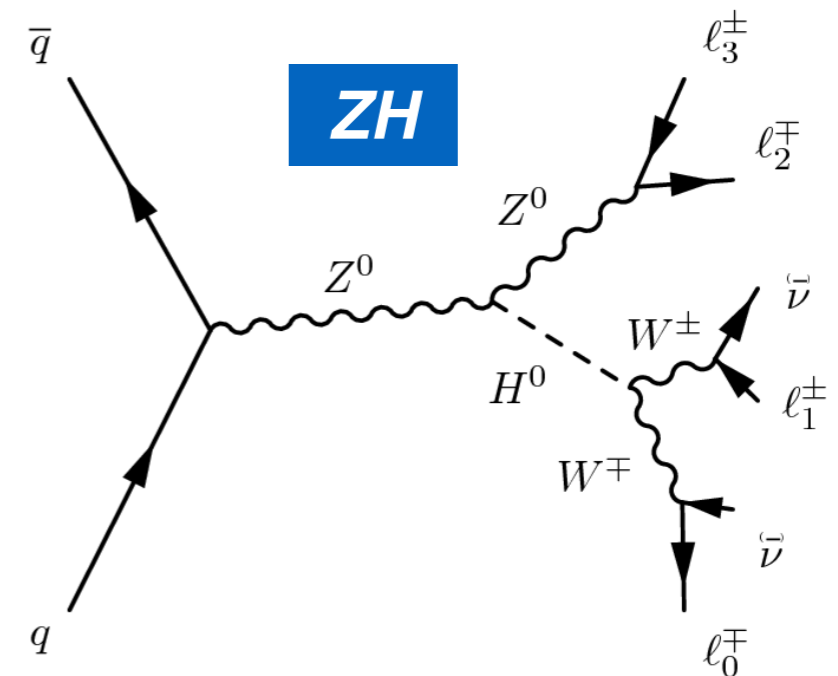
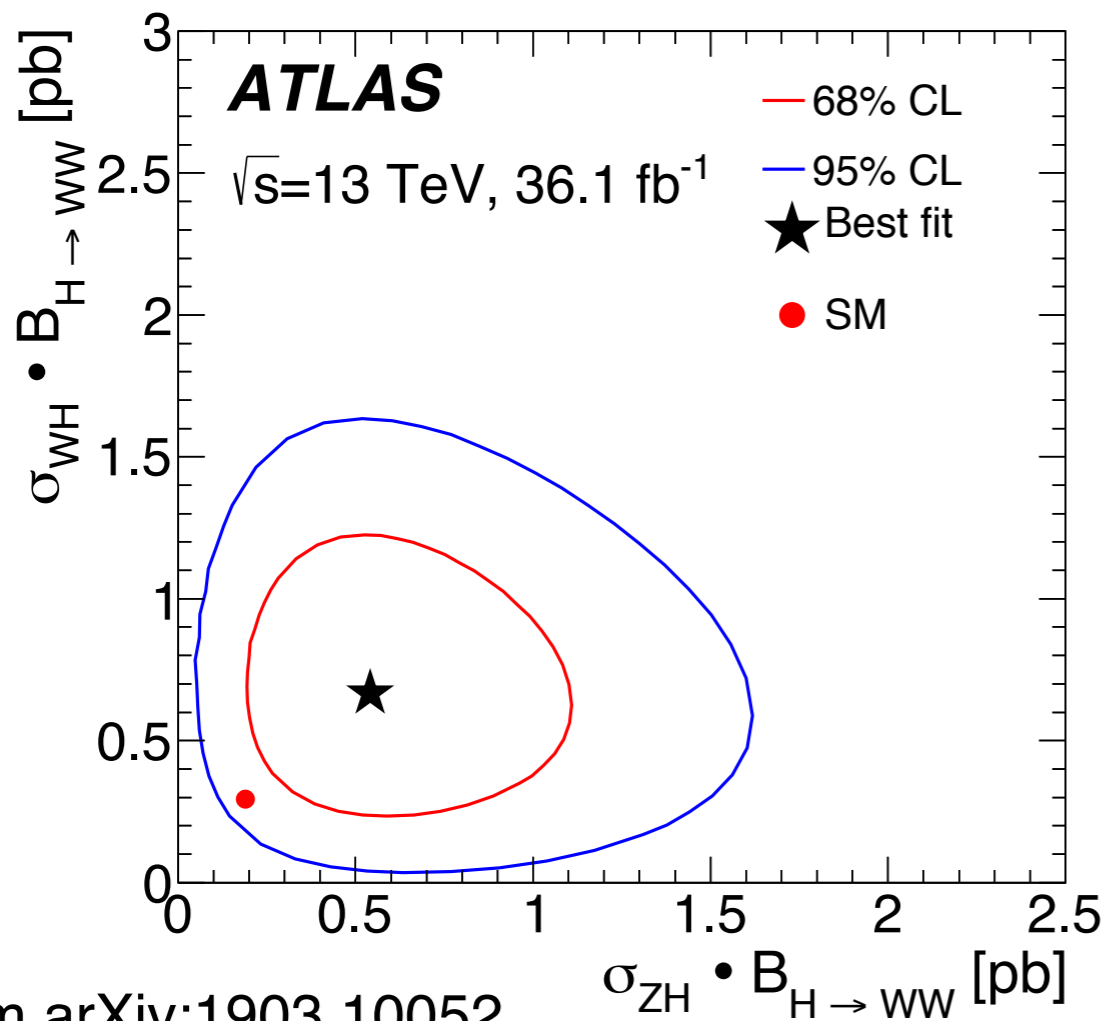
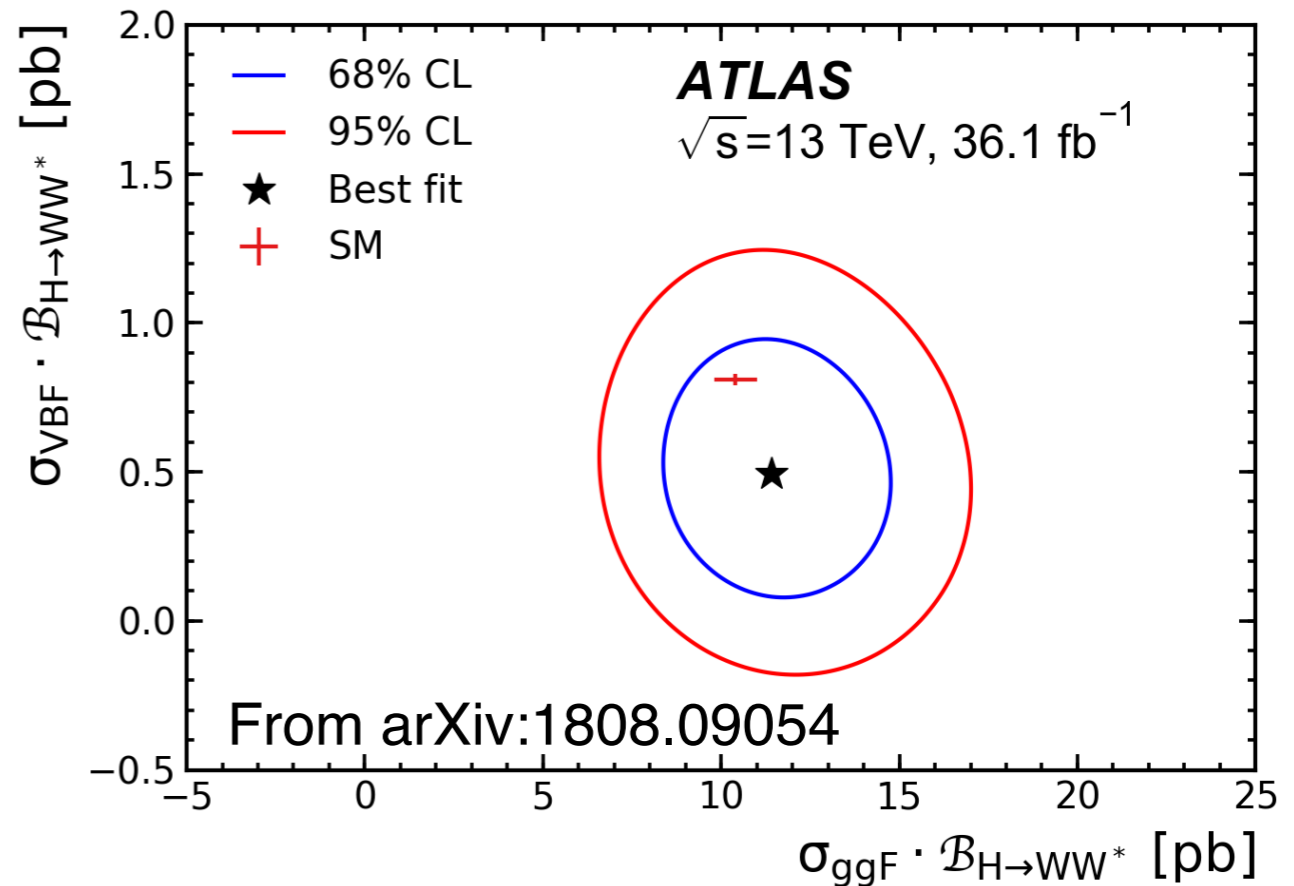
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# $H \rightarrow WW^*$ Measurements

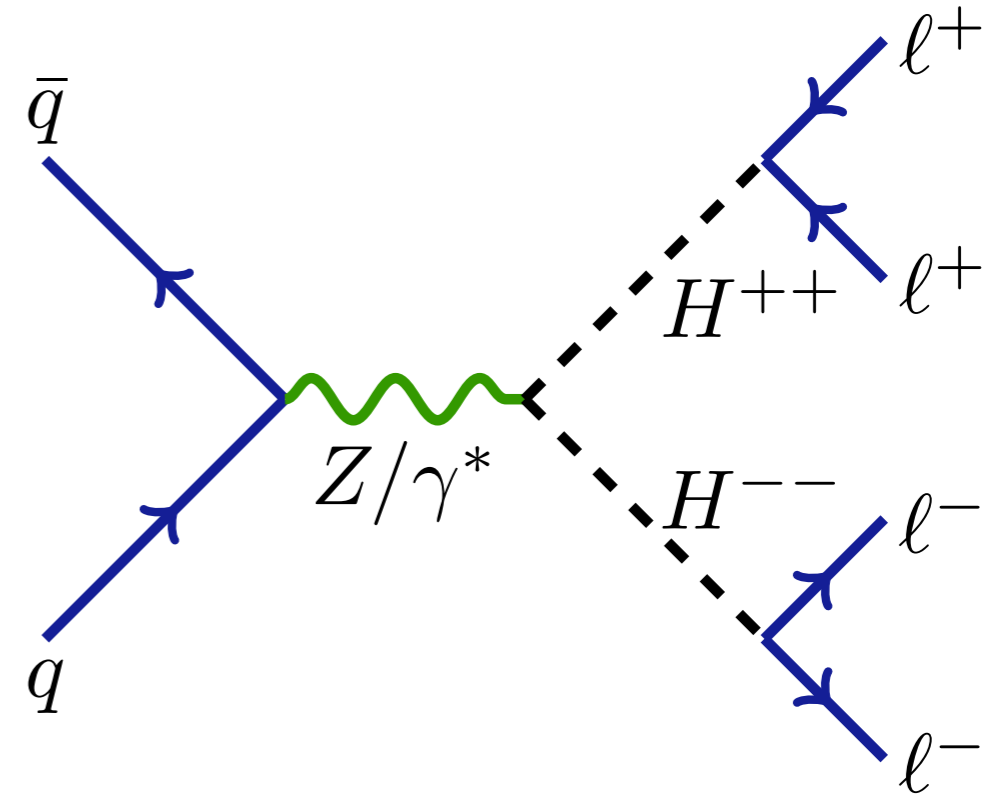
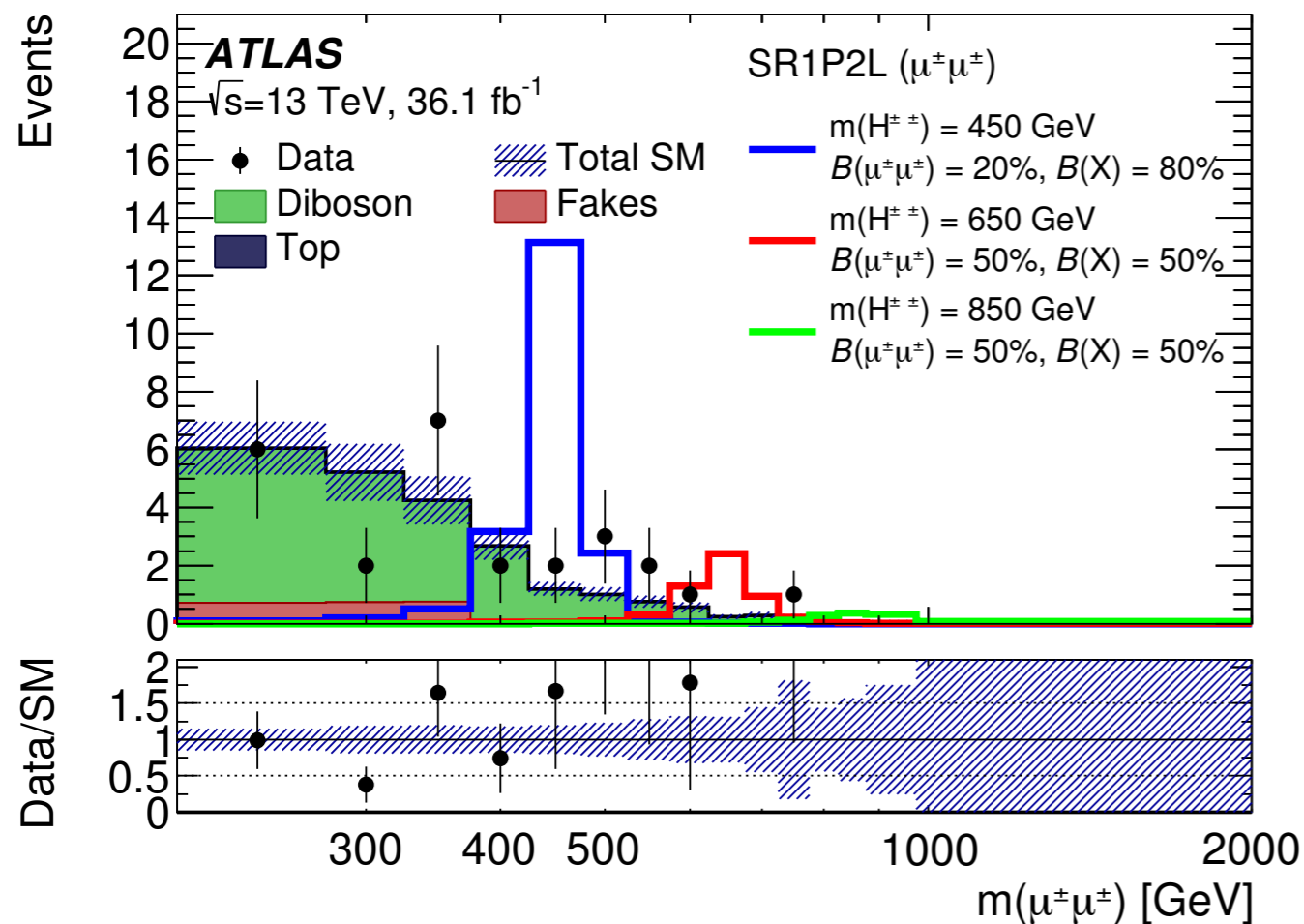
- **Measured cross-sections consistent with SM**, with ggF measured at 6.0 (5.3)  $\sigma$  and VBF to 1.8 (2.6)  $\sigma$ .
- Second analysis also measured the very small  **$V(=Z/W)H$  production** cross-section.



# Direct BSM Searches

# Searches for Charged Higgses

- $H^{++(- -)} \rightarrow e^{+(-)}e^{+(-)}/\mu^{+(-)}\mu^{+(-)}/e^{+(-)}\mu^{+(-)}$  search with 2015+2016 data.
- $H^{++(- -)}$  occur in a **variety of BSM theories**: left-right symmetric models, little Higgs theories, type-II seesaw, scalar singlet dark matter, ...



- Dilepton invariant masses **above 200 GeV define search regions.**
- **Vetos events with at least one  $b$ -tagged jet**, to reduce background. Have 3- and 4-lepton search regions.

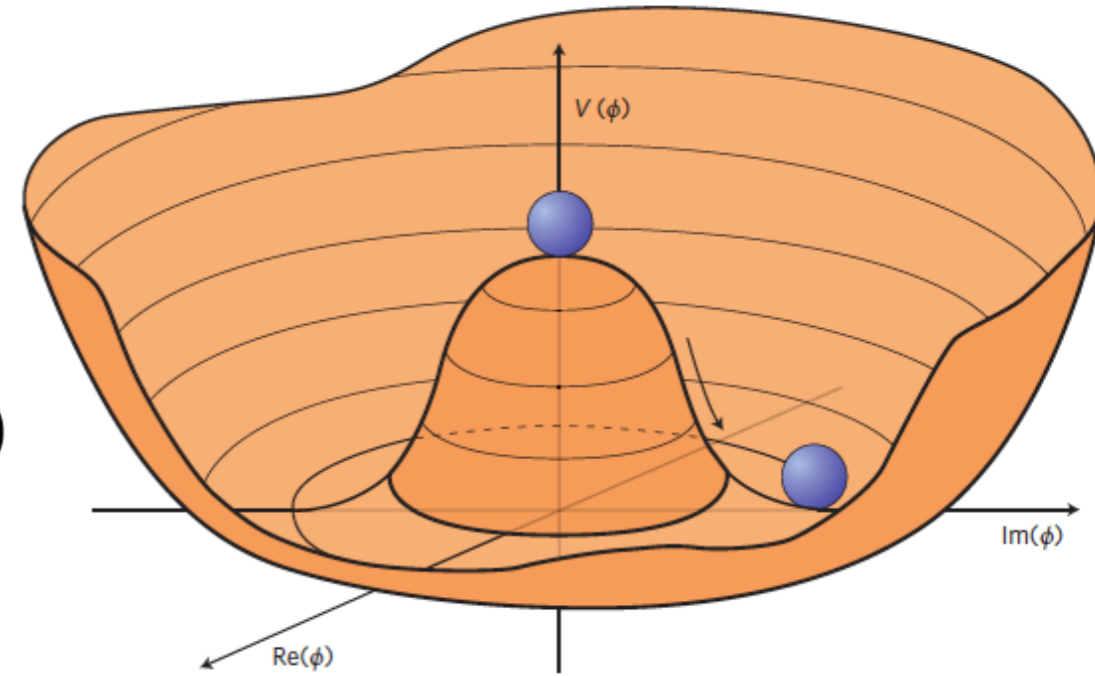
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***HH*: BSM meets  
Precision**

# The Global Higgs Potential

- $HH$  production probes the **global** shape of the **Higgs potential**.

$$V(\phi) = -\frac{1}{2}\mu^2\phi^2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda\phi^4$$



Perturb minimum,  $v$ , by amount  $h$   $V(\phi) \rightarrow V(v + h)$

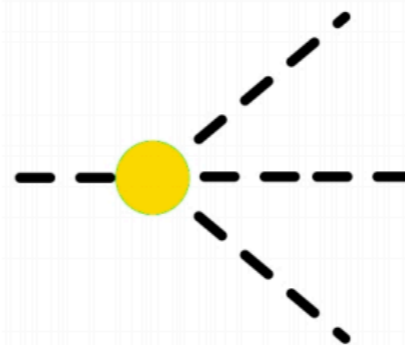
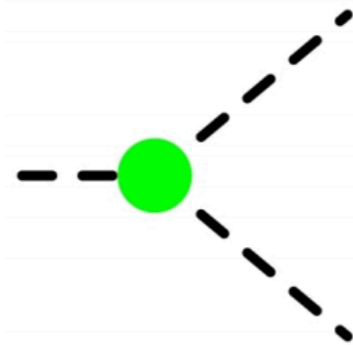
$$V = V_0 + \lambda v^2 h^2 + \lambda v h^3 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda h^4 + \dots$$

$$= V_0 + \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 h^2 + \frac{m_h^2}{2v^2} v h^3 + \frac{1}{4} \frac{m_h^2}{2v^2} h^4 + \dots$$

Higgs mass

$HH$  production

$HHH$  production



Test the SM predictions:

$$v = \frac{\mu}{\sqrt{\lambda}} = 246 \text{ GeV}$$

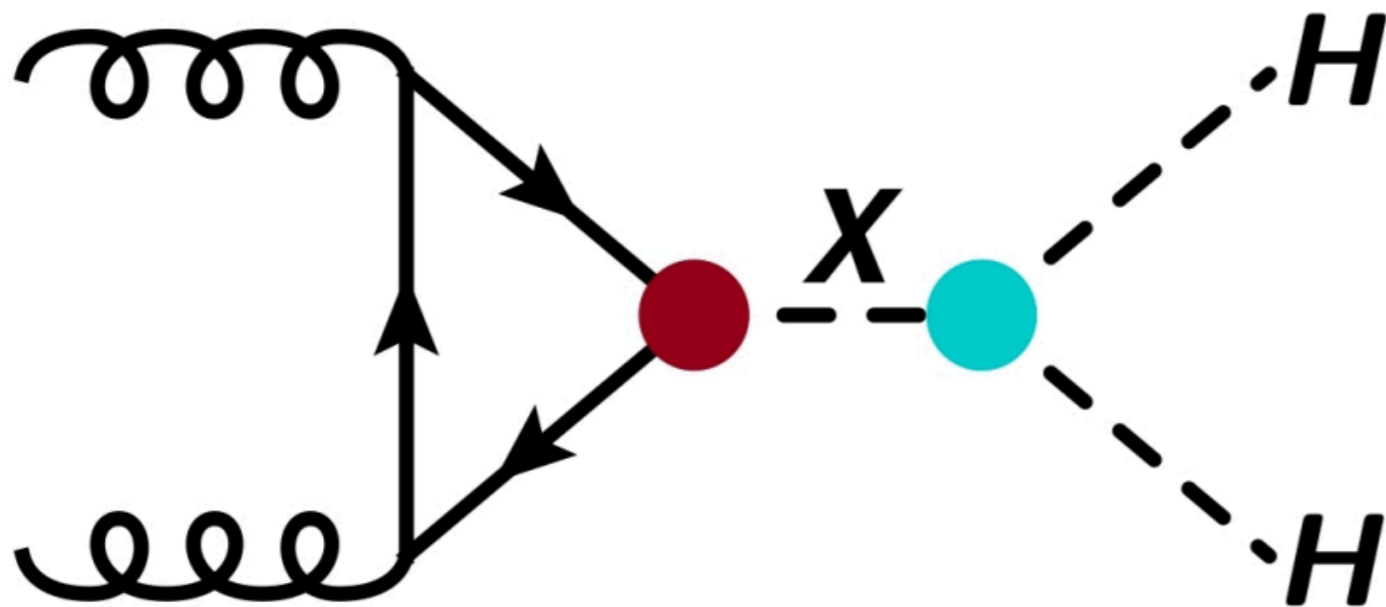
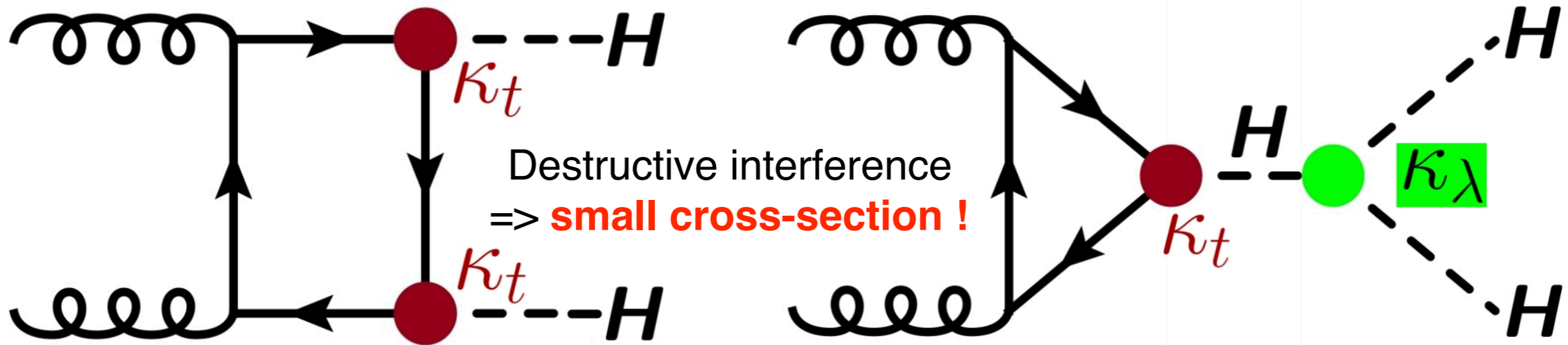
$$\lambda = \frac{m_h^2}{2v^2} \approx 0.13$$

**Cosmological implications !**

# Resonant and Non-Resonant Searches

## Precision measurement

$$\kappa_t = g_{t\bar{t}H} / g_{t\bar{t}H}^{SM} \text{ and } \kappa_\lambda = \lambda_{HHH} / \lambda_{HHH}^{SM}$$



## Direct BSM search

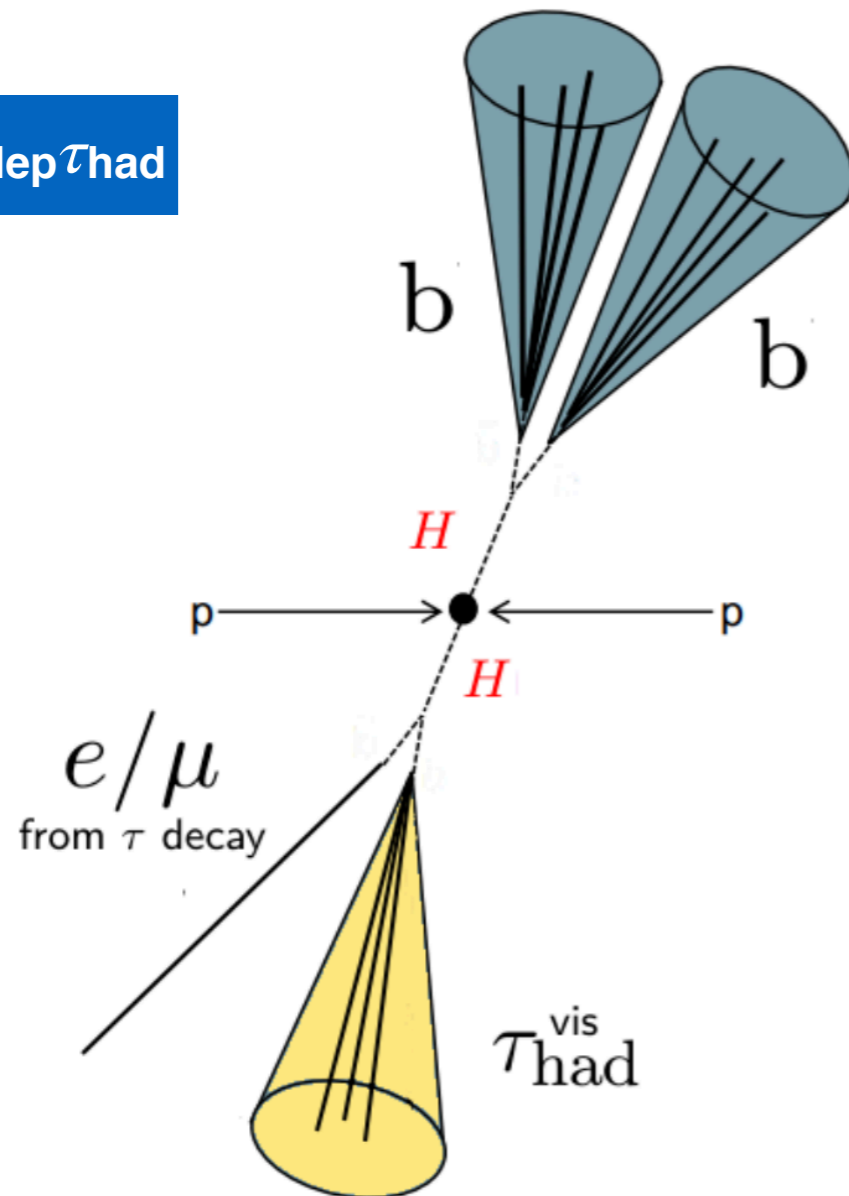
**X = New Matter**

e.g. Spin-0:  $X = S$ , a new scalar

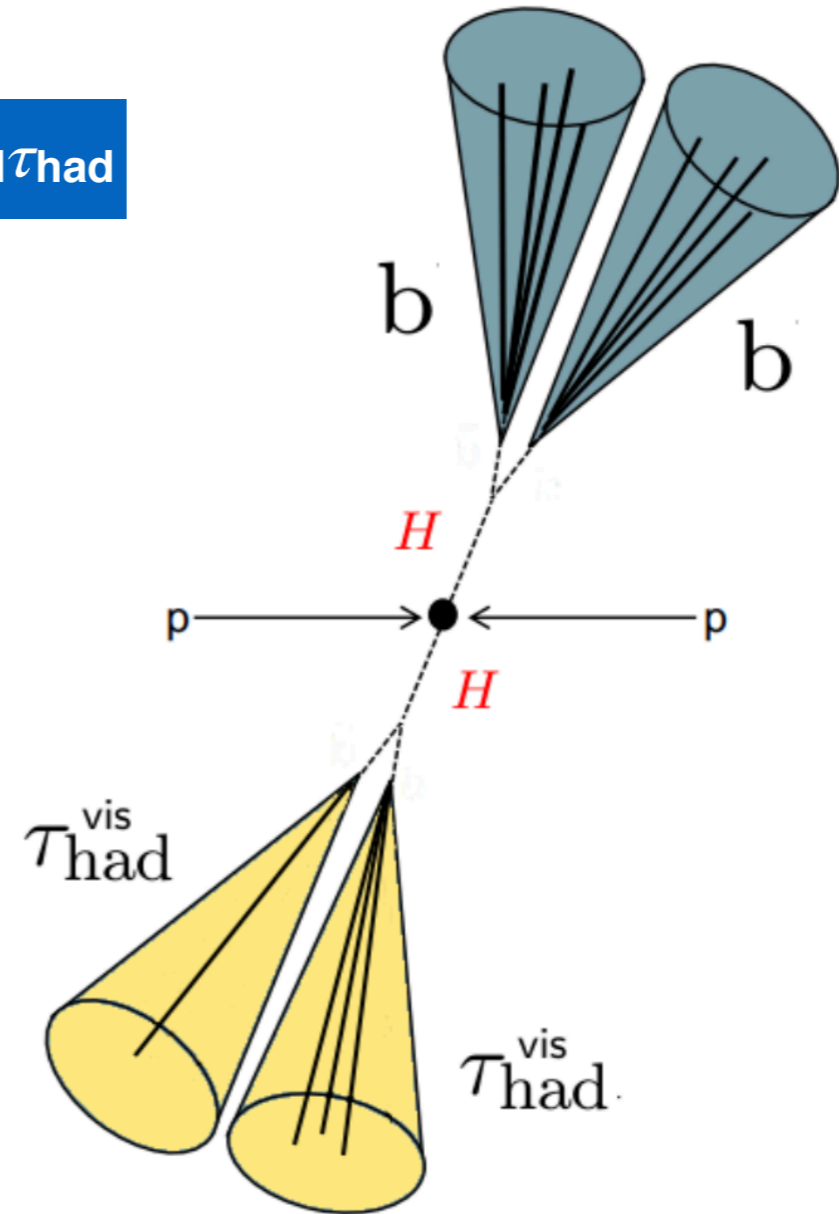
e.g. Spin-2  $X = G$ , Randall-Sundrum graviton

# $HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$

$bb\tau_{lep}\tau_{had}$



$bb\tau_{had}\tau_{had}$



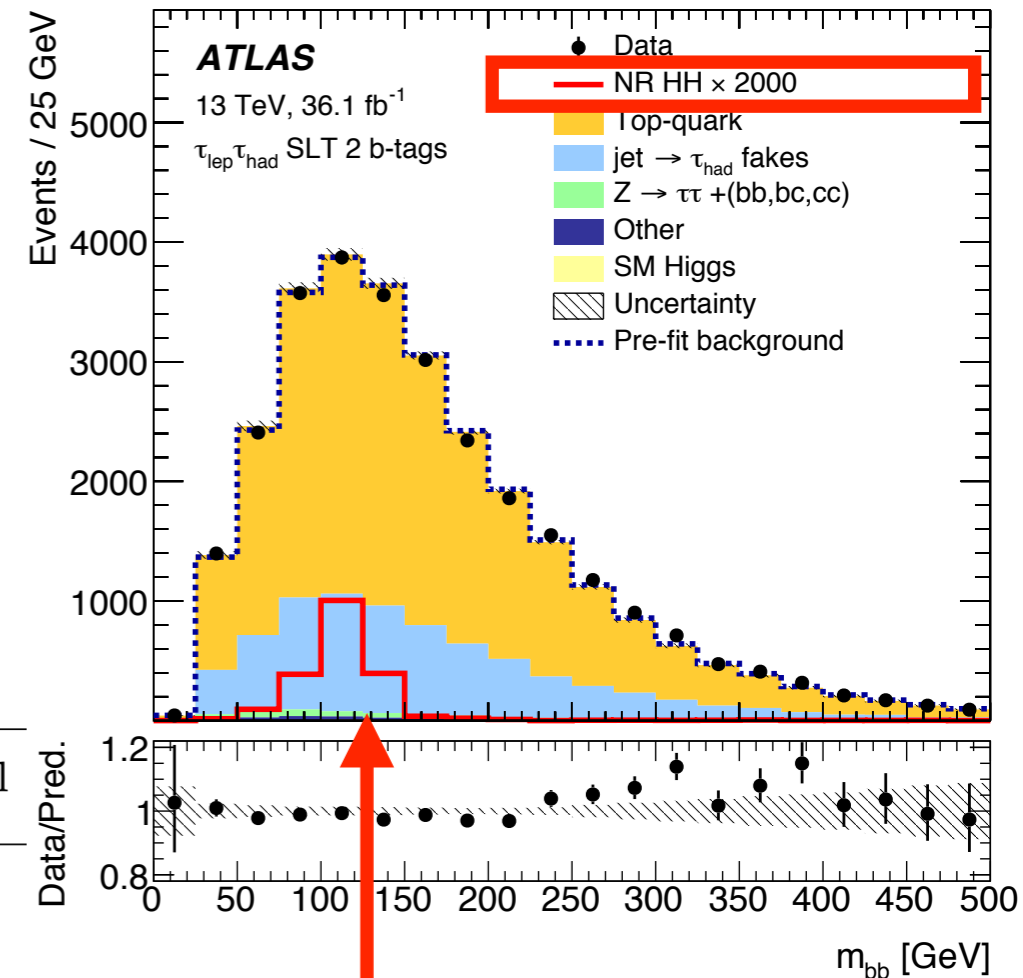
- Single lepton triggering on events, with exactly two  $b$ -tagged jets and a “missing mass”  $> 60$  GeV.

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# $HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$

- Major analysis tool is the **Boosted Decision Tree** algorithm.
- Takes **different combinations of 11 kinematic variables** in the difference lep-had and had-had channels.

Variable	$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ channel (SLT resonant)	$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ channel (SLT non-resonant & LTT)	$\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ channel
$m_{HH}$	✓	✓	✓
$m_{\tau\tau}^{\text{MMC}}$	✓	✓	✓
$m_{bb}$	✓	✓	✓
$\Delta R(\tau, \tau)$	✓	✓	✓
$\Delta R(b, b)$	✓	✓	✓
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$	✓		
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$ $\phi$ centrality	✓		✓
$m_{\text{T}}^W$	✓	✓	
$\Delta\phi(H, H)$	✓		
$\Delta p_{\text{T}}(\text{lep}, \tau_{\text{had-vis}})$	✓		
Sub-leading $b$ -jet $p_{\text{T}}$	✓		



• Scale of the signal !

• BDT inputs

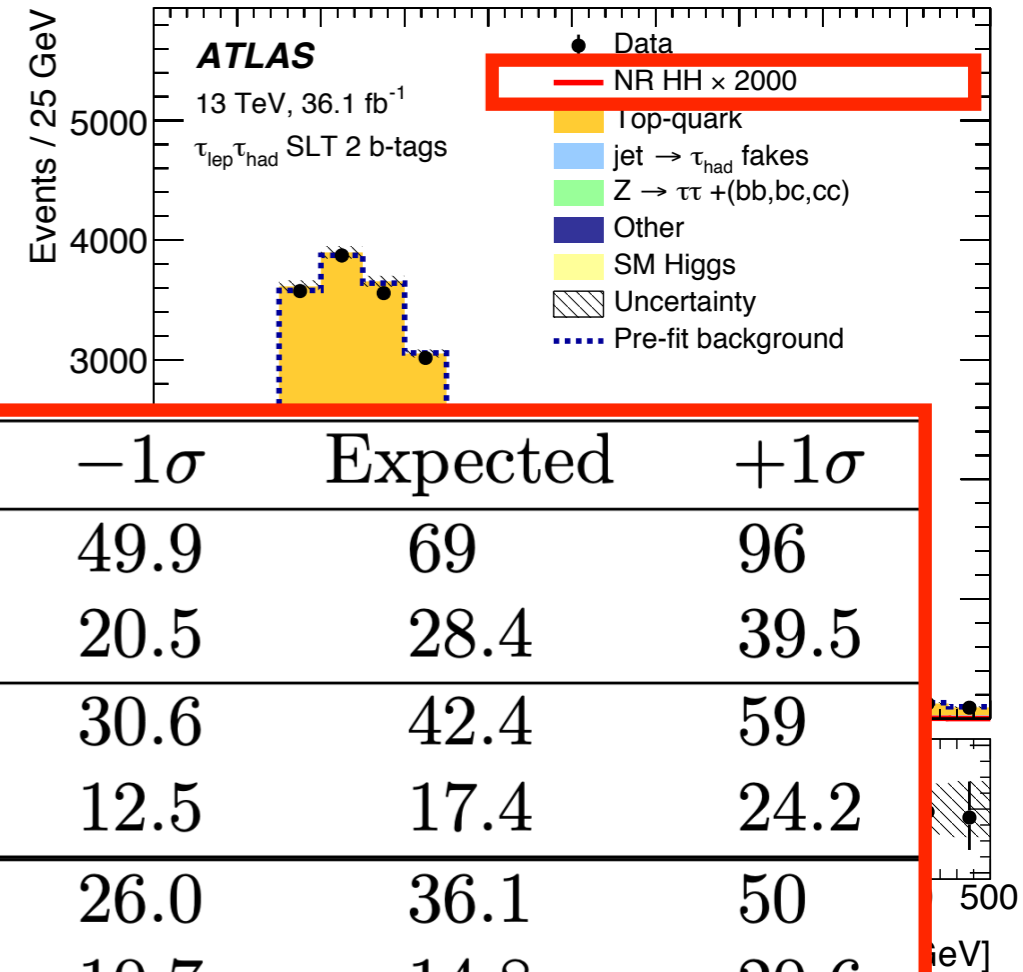
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# HH → bbττ

- Major analysis tool is the **Boosted Decision Tree** algorithm.

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		Observed	-1σ	Expected	+1σ
τ <sub>lep</sub> τ <sub>had</sub>	σ(HH → bbττ) [fb]	57	49.9	69	96
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ΔR(b, b)	✓	✓	✓
E <sub>T</sub> <sup>miss</sup>	✓		
E <sub>T</sub> <sup>miss</sup> φ centrality	✓		✓
m <sub>T</sub> <sup>W</sup>	✓	✓	
Δφ(H, H)	✓		
Δp <sub>T</sub> (lep, τ <sub>had-vis</sub> )	✓		
Sub-leading b-jet p <sub>T</sub>	✓		

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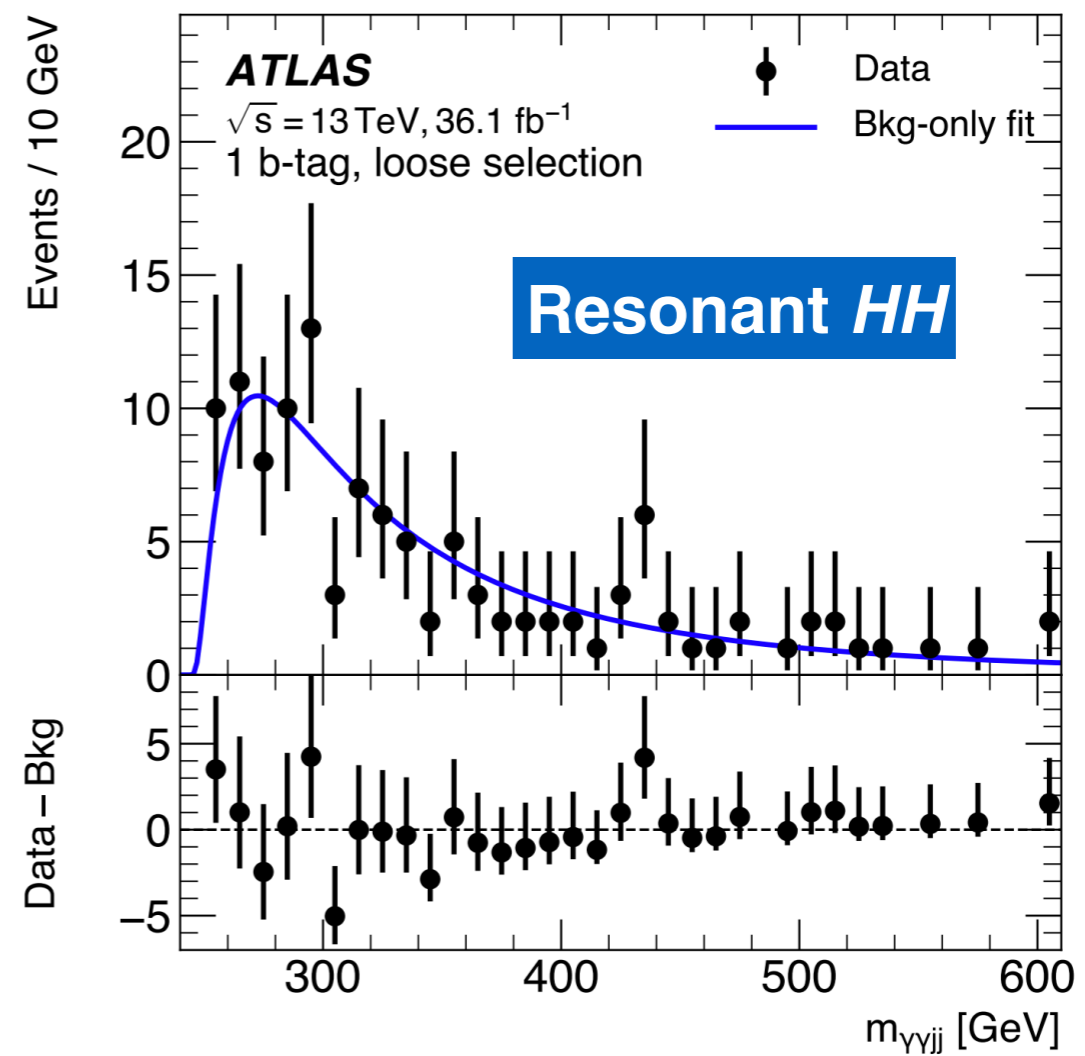
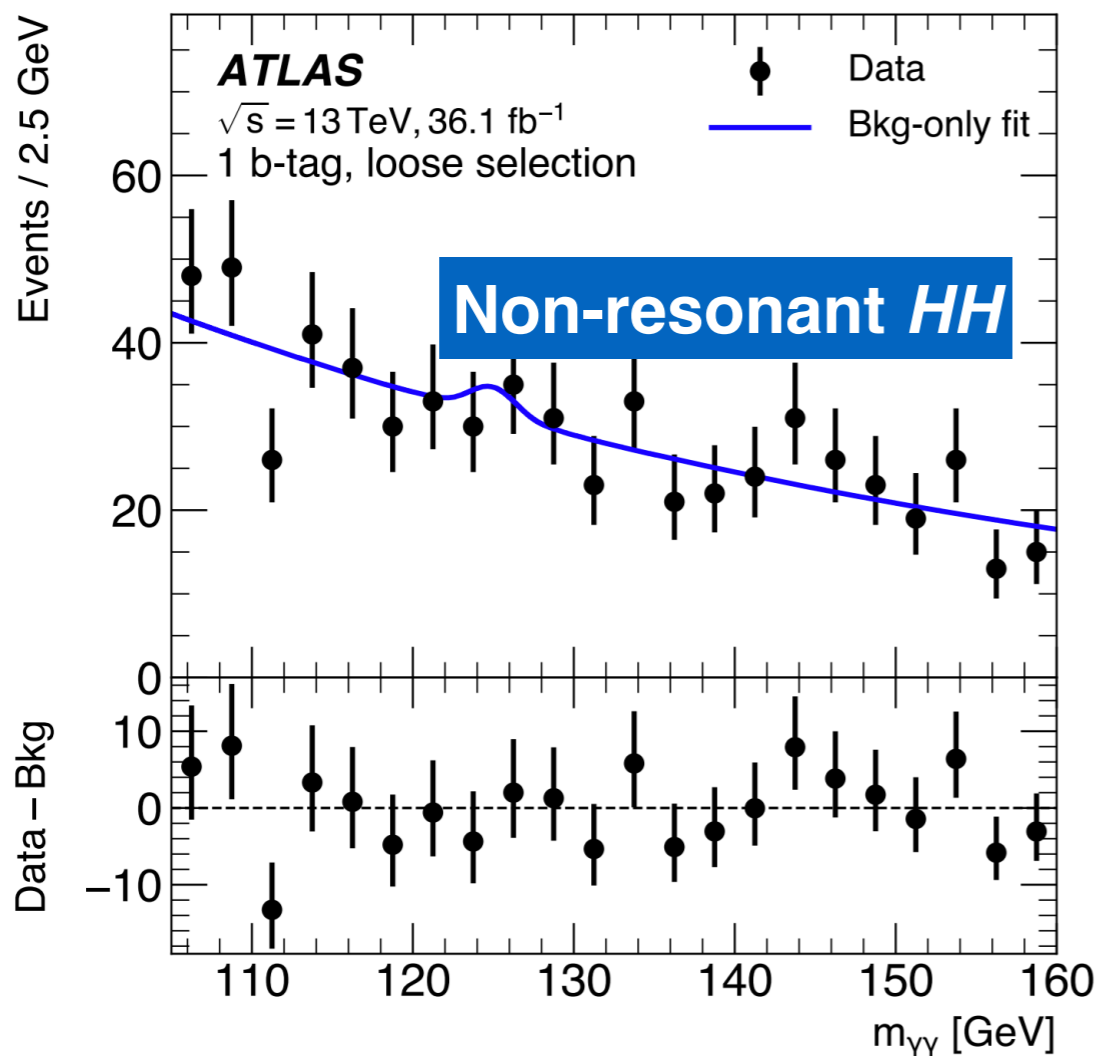


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# $HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$

- Trigger on diphoton events, and have deduced **2-, 1-, and 0-b-jet regions**: two search regions, and the 0-tag for **data-driven  $\gamma$ +jet** background estimation.
- Fit  **$m_{\gamma\gamma}$  in the non-resonant channel**, and  **$m_{\gamma\gamma jj}$  in the resonant channel**, which is sensitive to different X-particle resonances.

From arXiv:1807.04873



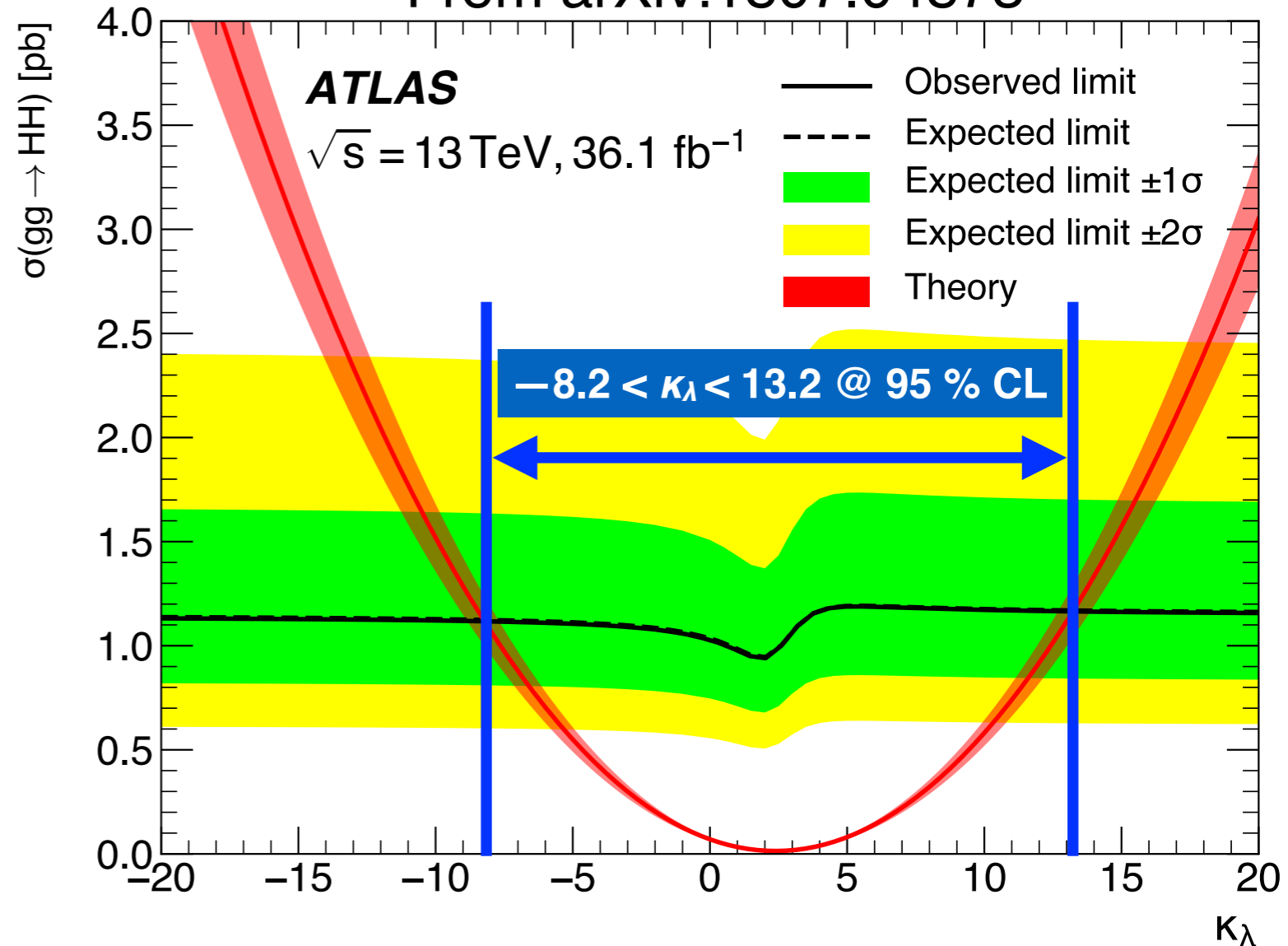
# $HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$

- **Set limits on both the Higgs self-coupling and the production cross-section for non-resonant  $HH$ .**

- $bb\gamma\gamma$  sets stringent constraints on  $\kappa_\lambda$ .

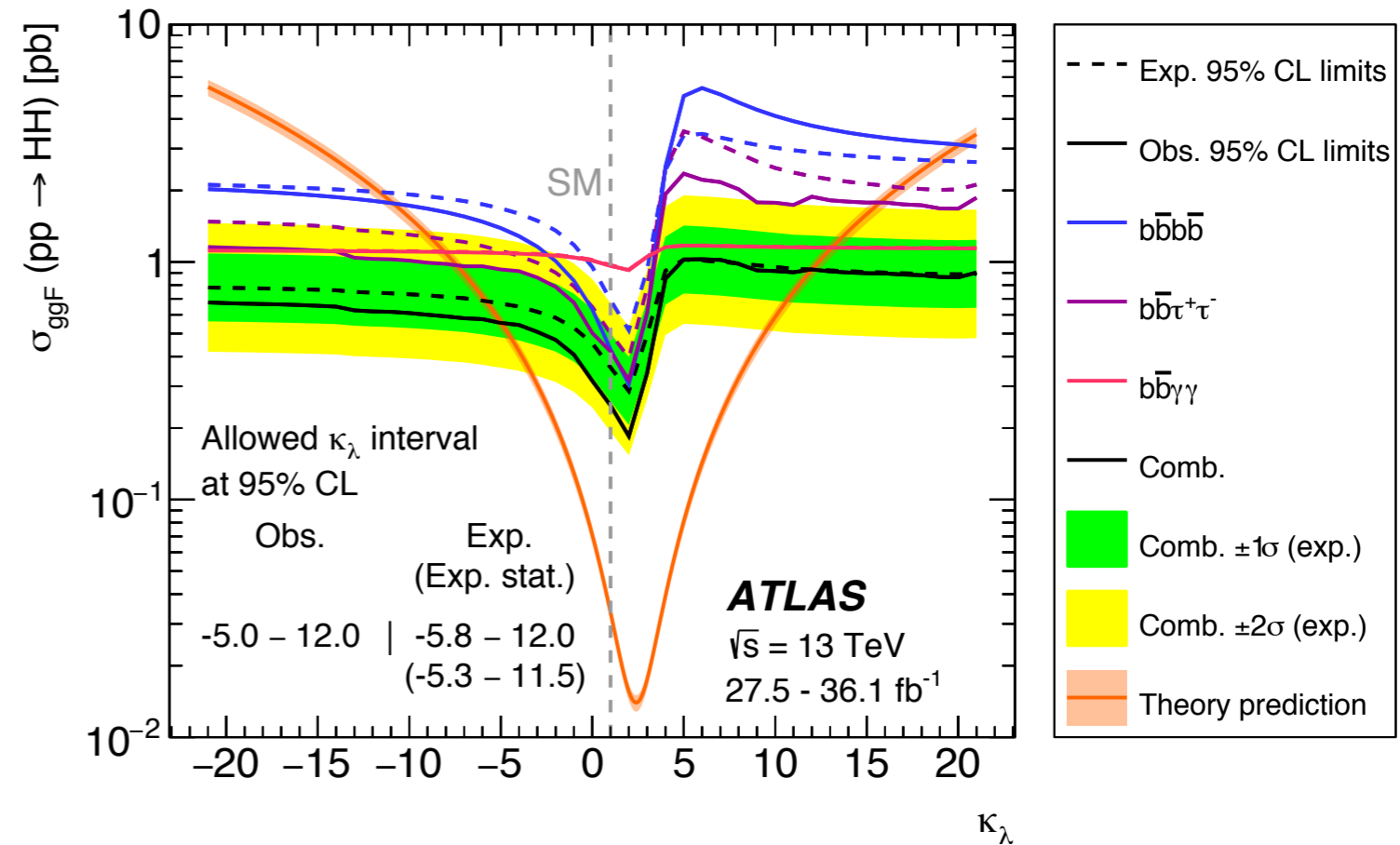
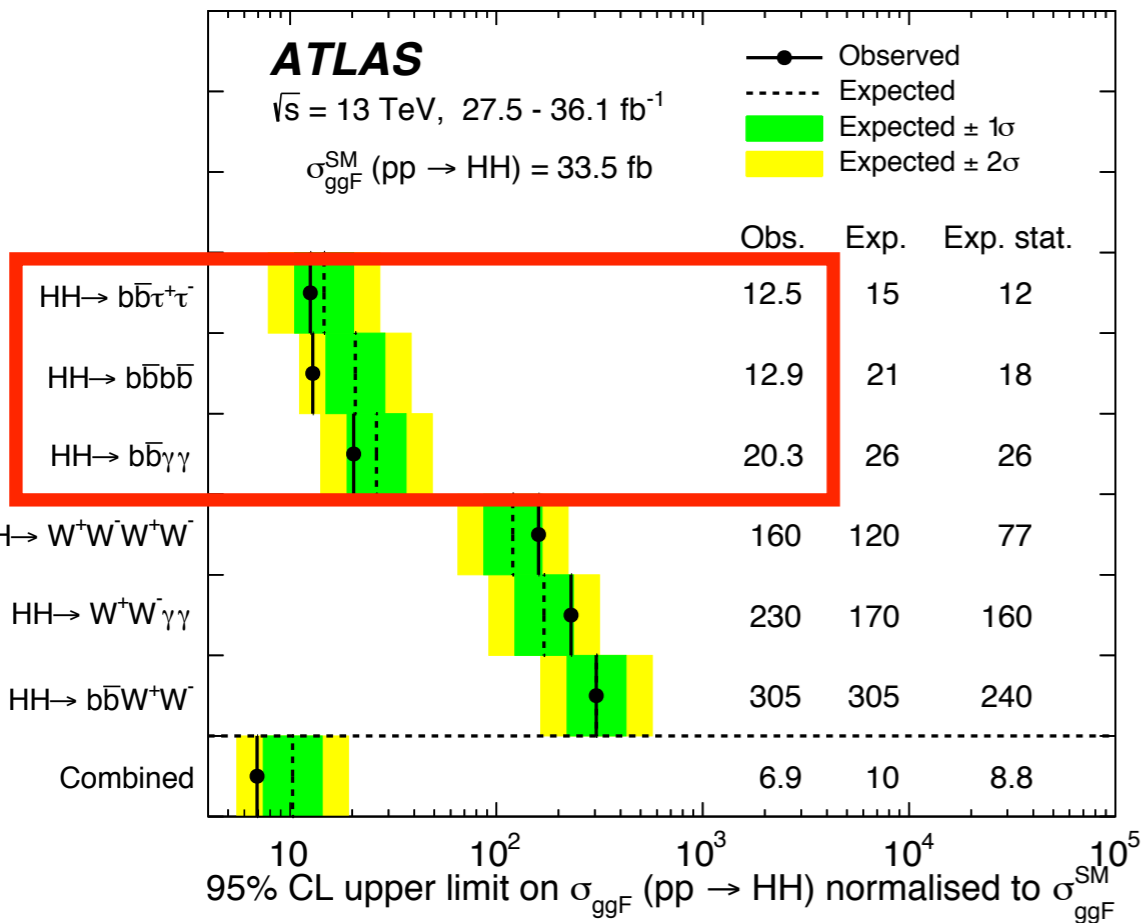
- Upper limits on the mass of  $X(HH) \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$  set using the resonant channel.

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	Observed	Expected	$-1\sigma$	$+1\sigma$
$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow HH}$ [pb]	0.73	0.93	0.66	1.4
As a multiple of $\sigma_{\text{SM}}$	22	28	20	40

# HH Combinations



From arXiv:1906.02025

- $bb\tau\tau, bb\gamma\gamma, bbbb$  provide the most sensitive limits on the cross-section of non-resonant  $HH$  production.
- **Combine  $bb\tau\tau, bb\gamma\gamma, bbbb$**  in a 2015+2016 limit of  $-5.0 < \kappa_\lambda < 12.0$ .

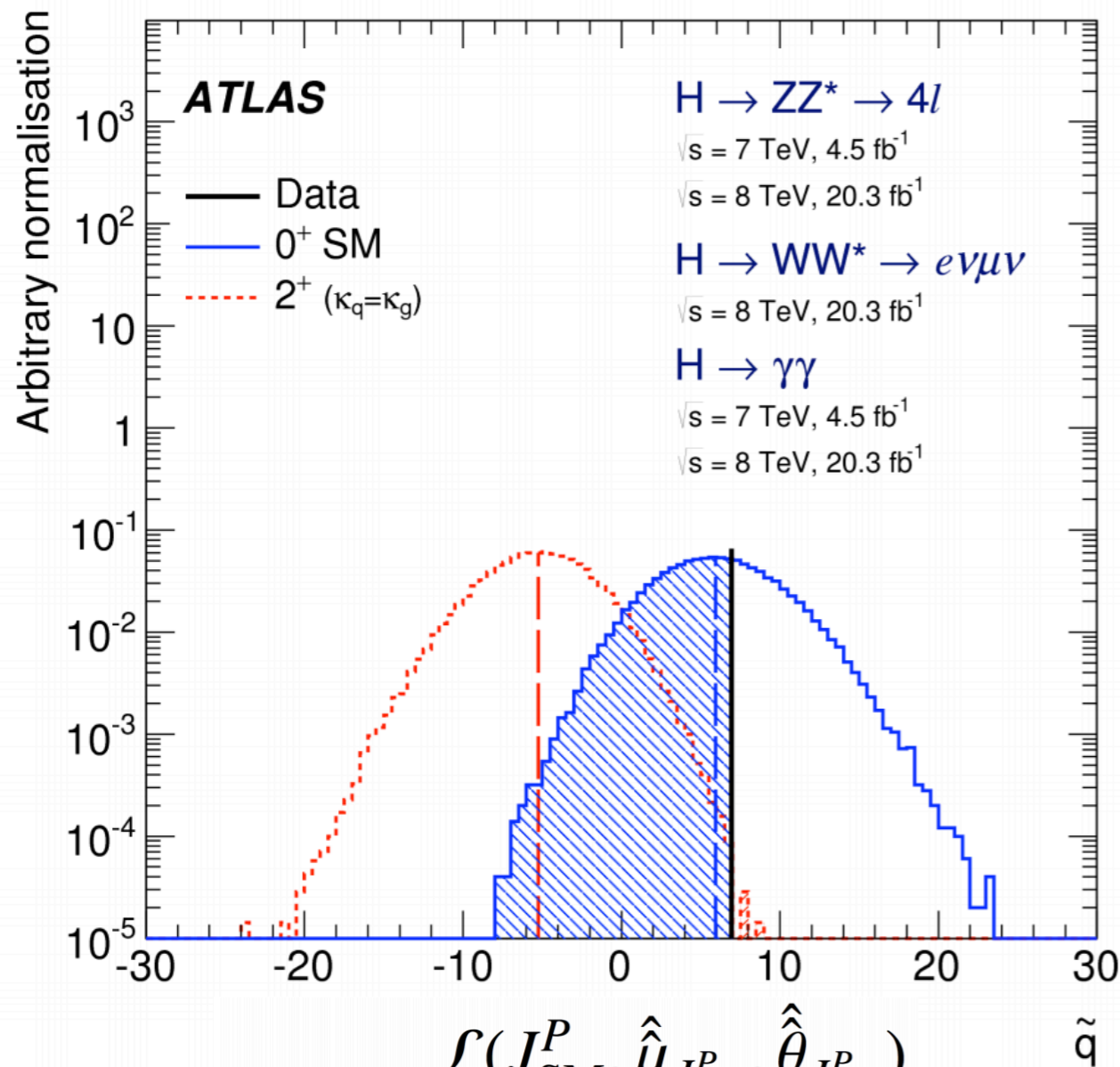
# Summary

- The Higgs boson is special and probing its properties at the **precision, %-level** is a major undertaking and goal for the LHC over the next 10 years.
- **Sweden's ATLAS groups are playing a leading role** in precision Higgs measurements ( $H \rightarrow WW^*$ ), direct searches for BSM Higgs production, and di-Higgs final states.
- Di-Higgs production a high profile analysis at the LHC, and Sweden has established itself as one of the key players. E.g. newly-founded **Swedish di-Higgs Working Group** for communication between experimentalists and theorists.

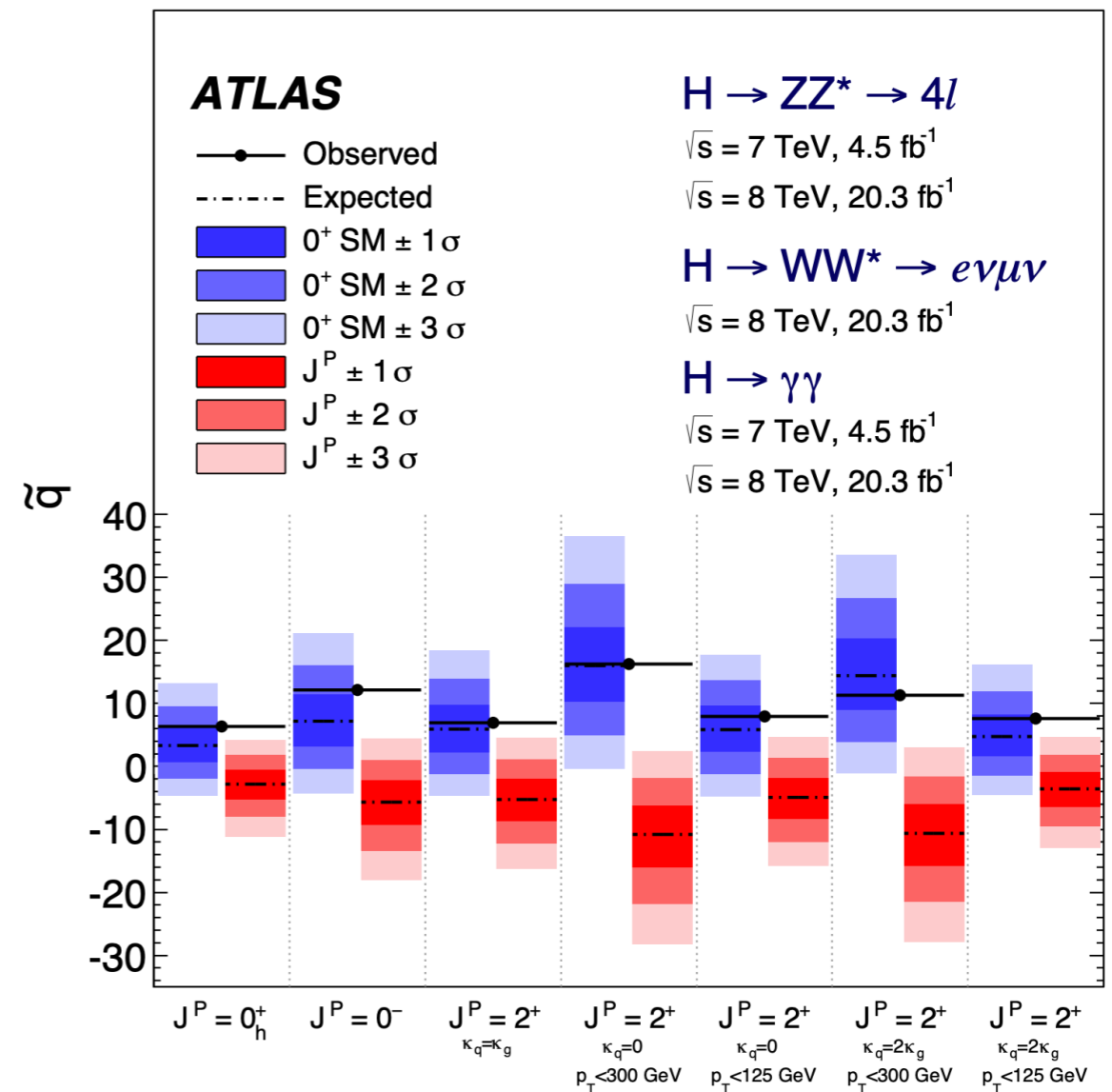
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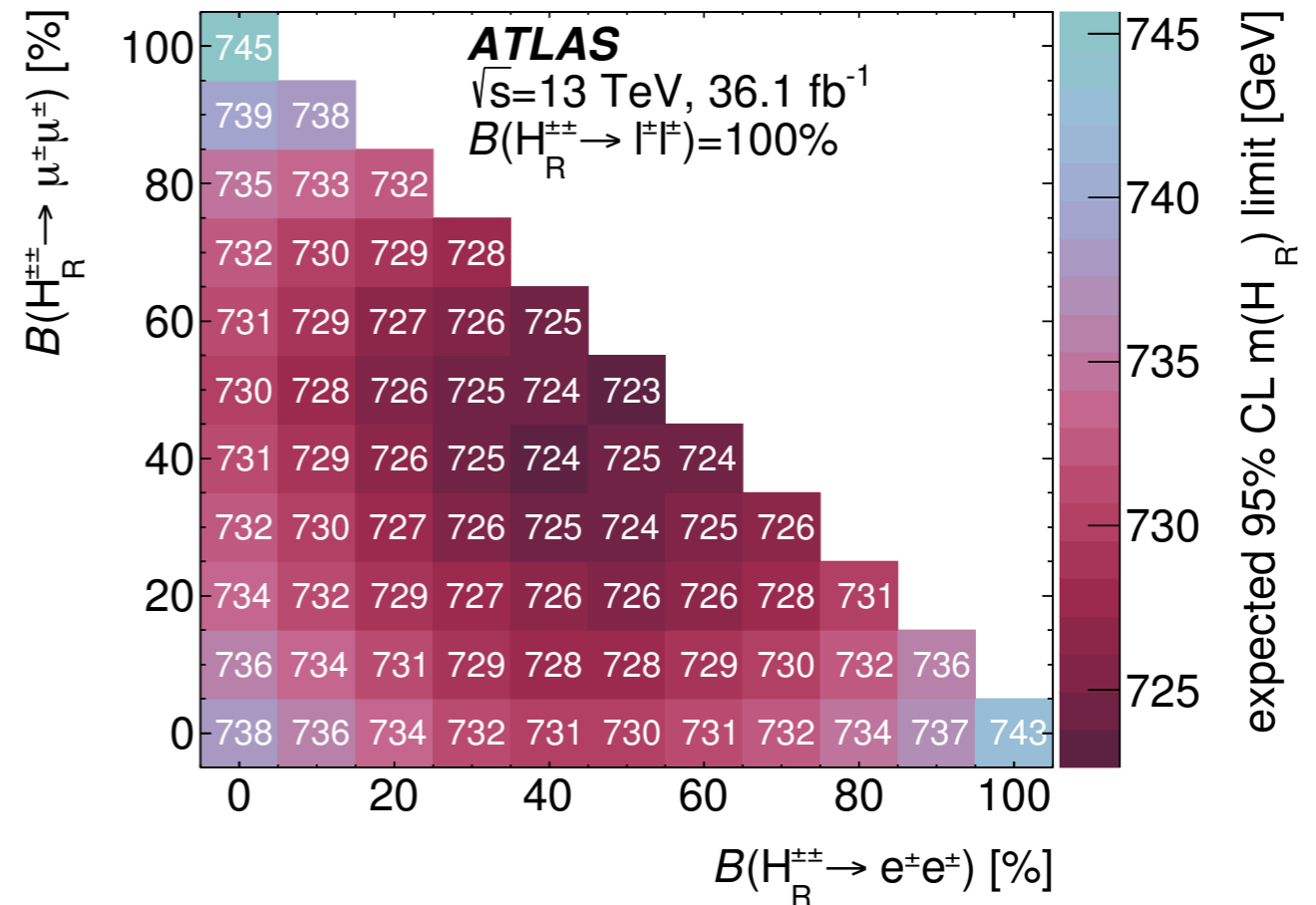
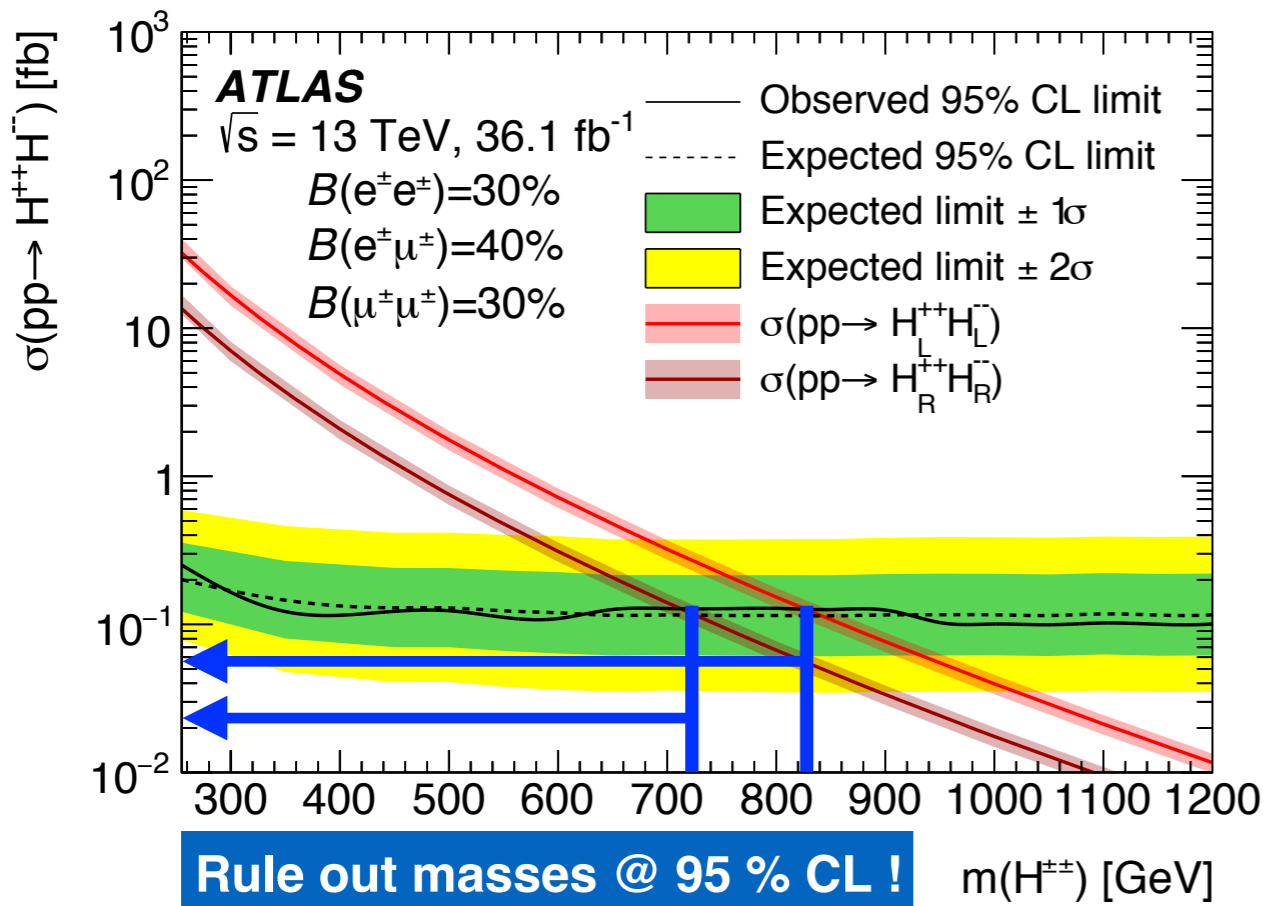
- The only experimentally verified **fundamental scalar** ... **SPECIAL !**



$$\tilde{q} = \log \frac{\mathcal{L}(J_{SM}^P, \hat{\mu}_{SM}^{J^P}, \hat{\theta}_{SM}^{J^P})}{\mathcal{L}(J_{alt}^P, \hat{\mu}_{alt}^{J^P}, \hat{\theta}_{alt}^{J^P})}$$



# Searches for Charged Higgses



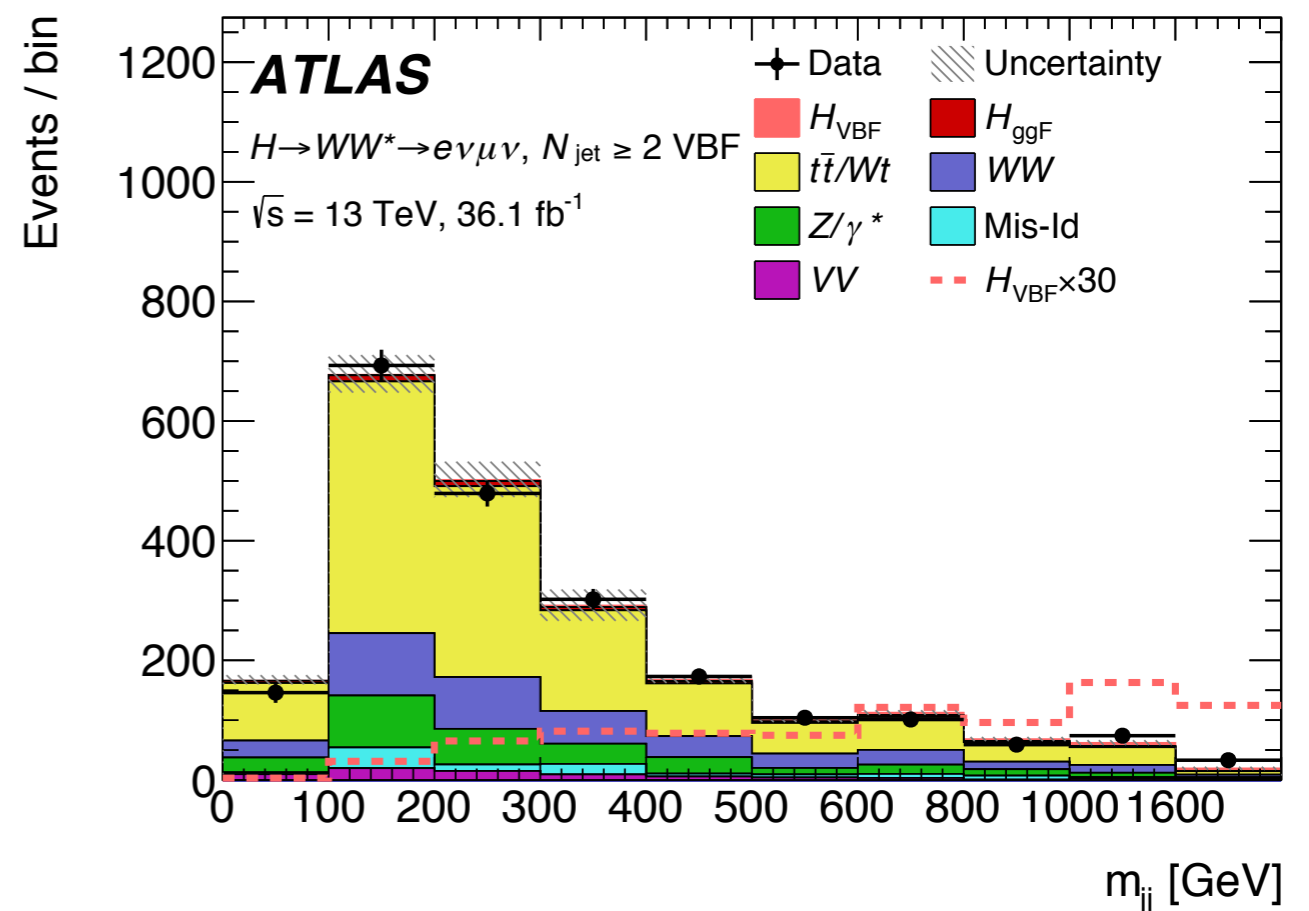
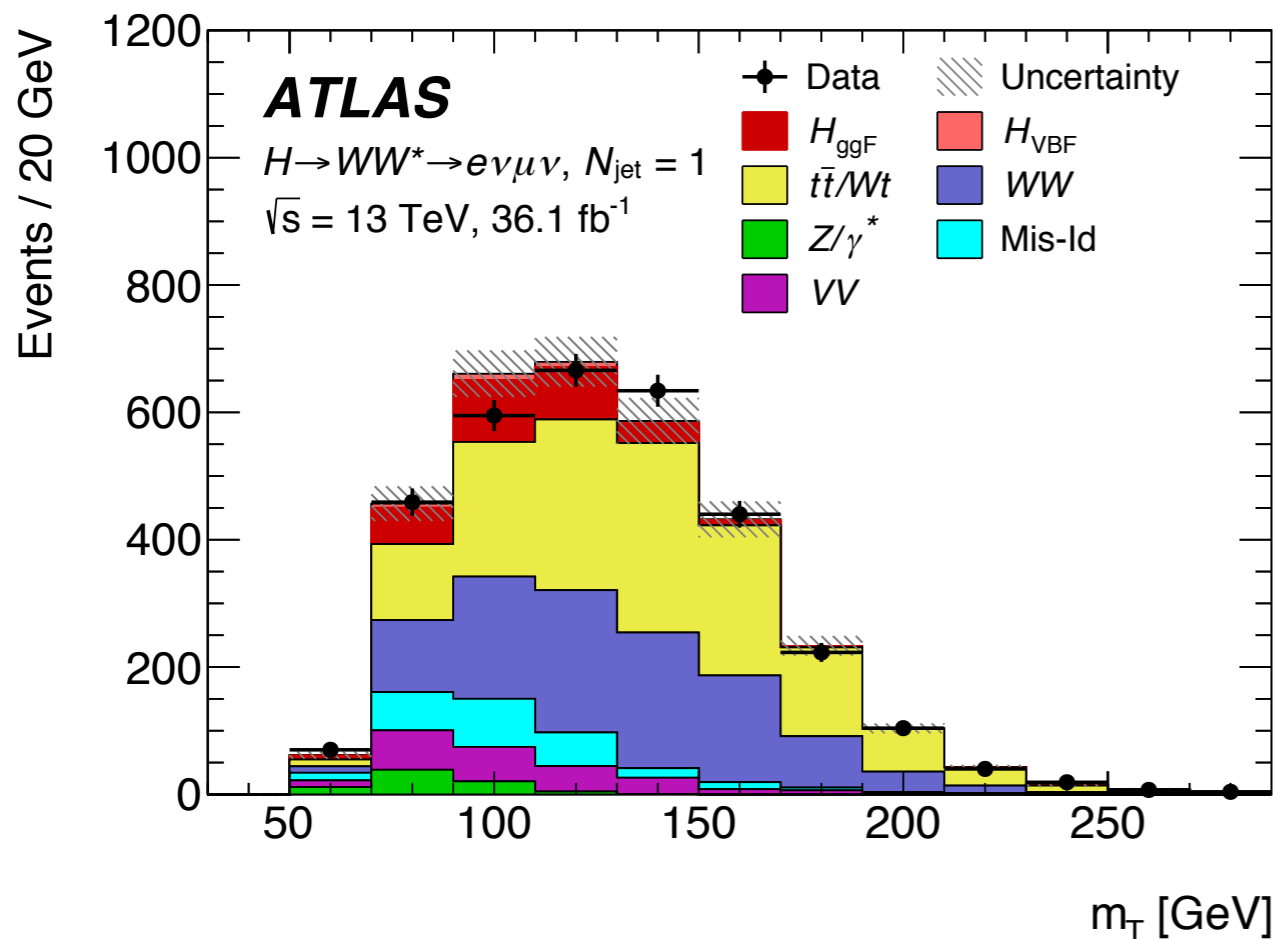
- No statistically significant excesses or bumps in the signal region.
- Set a **combination of limits on the charged Higgs mass**, for  $\text{BF} = 100\%$  and  $\text{BF} < 100\%$  (latter particularly favoured by type-II seesaw models).

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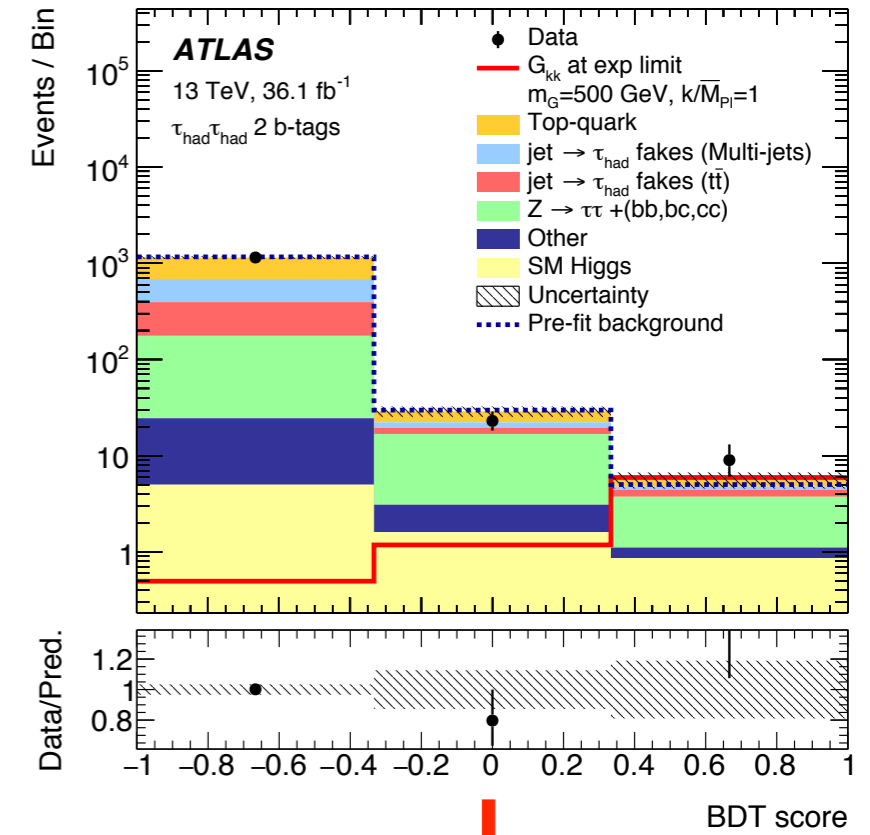
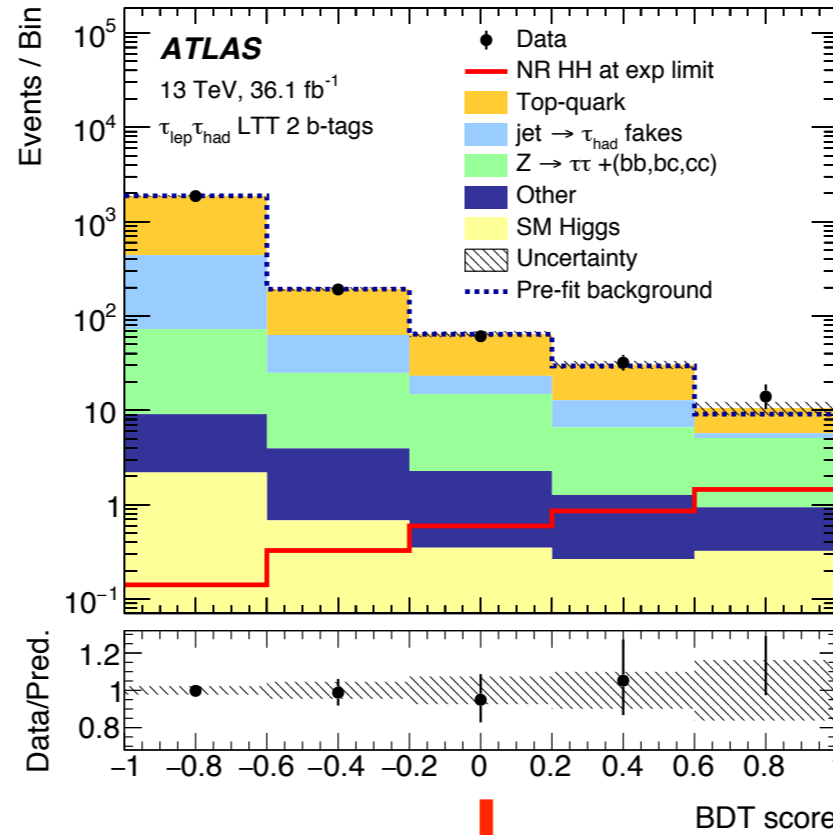
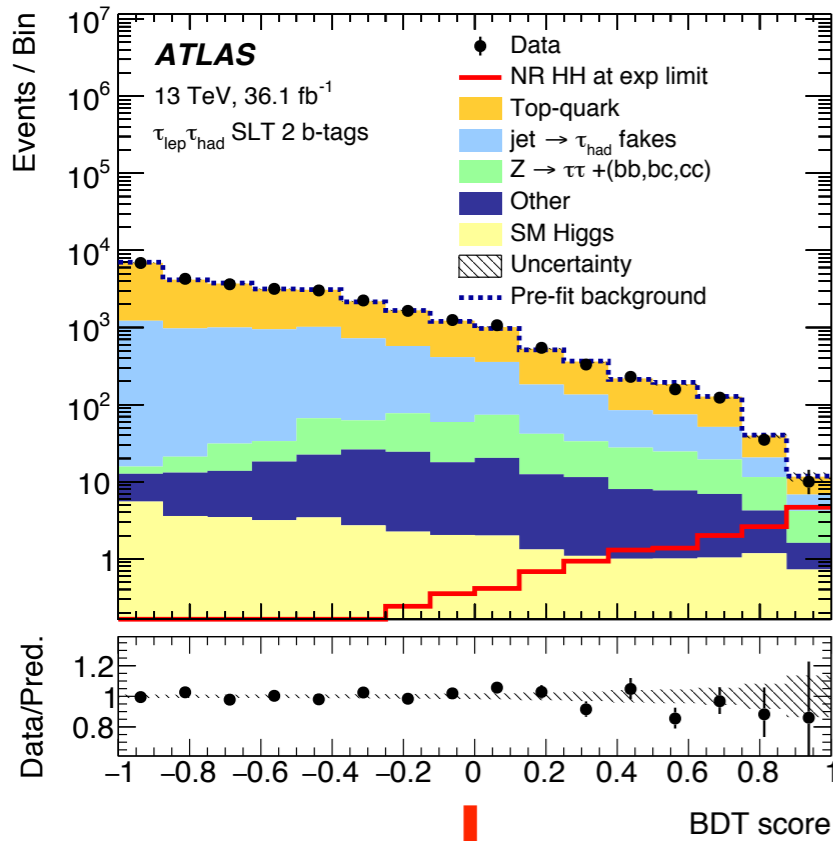


# $H \rightarrow WW^*$ Measurements

- $b$ -tagging,  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $m_T$  cuts used to reduce the **large top production background**.
- Additional requirements on dilepton invariant masses and angle between the dilepton system for  $ggF$ , as well as  $m_T$  as the final discriminant; central jet and outside lepton veto used for VBF, followed by a Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) discriminant.

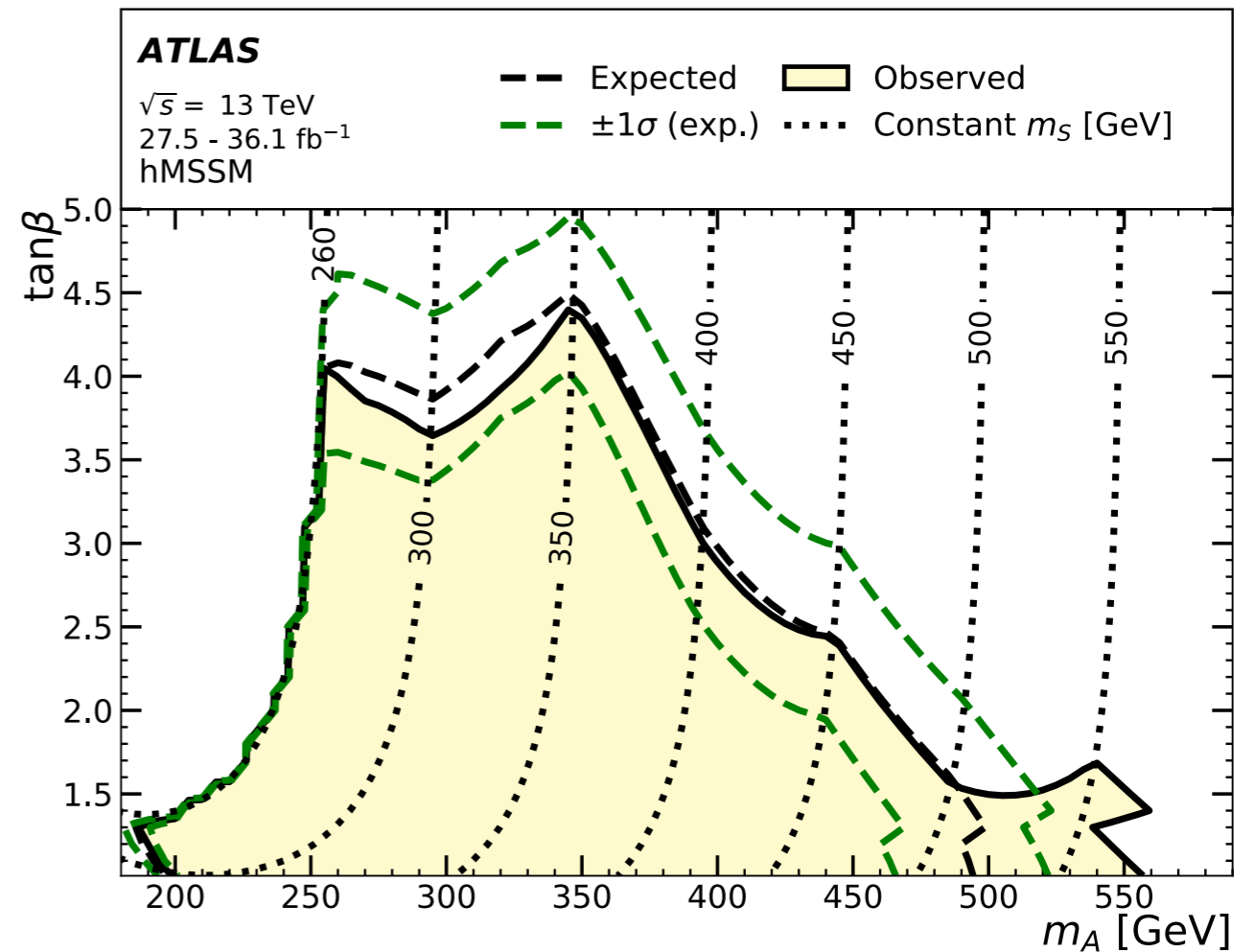
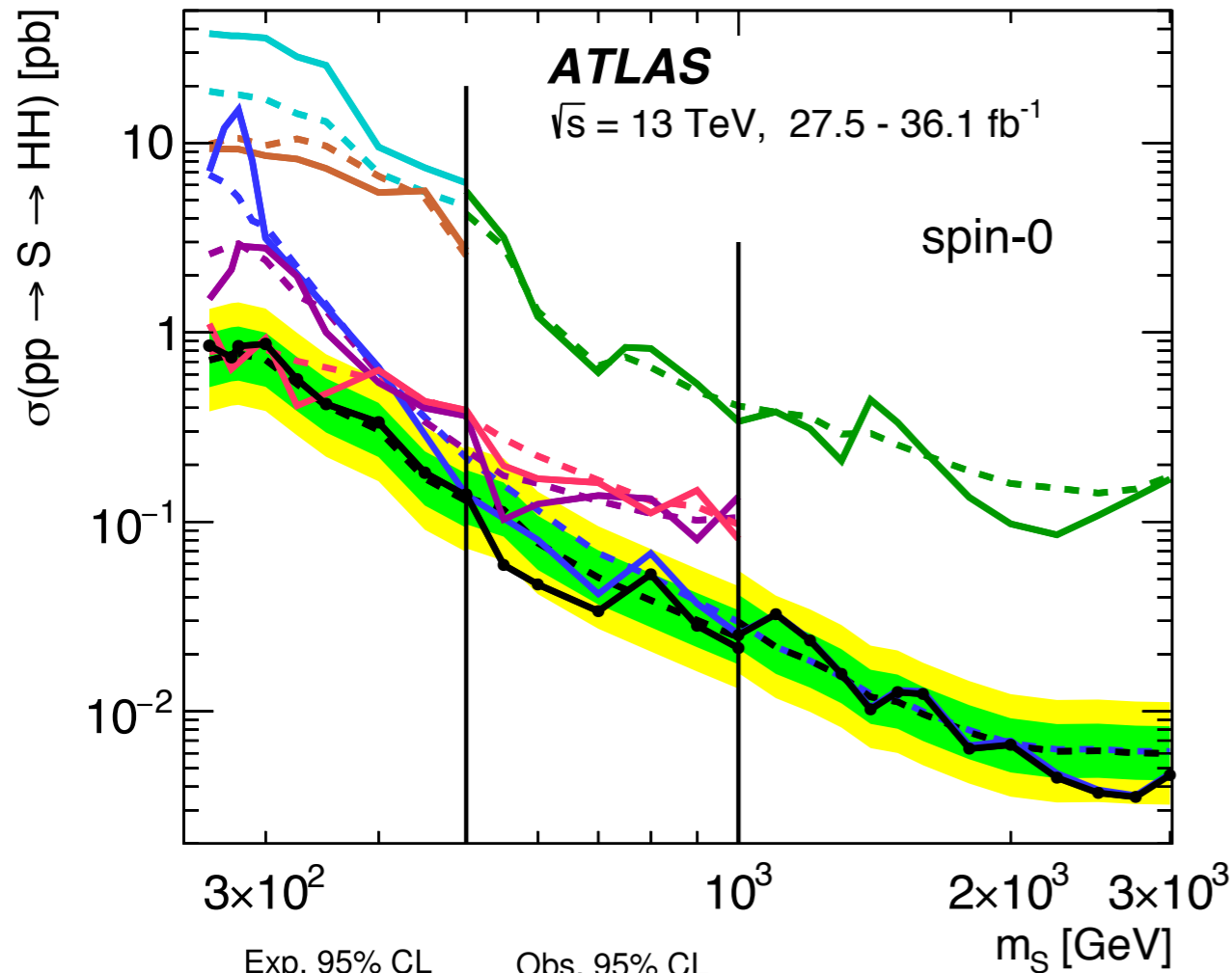


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- Constrain **spin-0 and spin-2 resonance models** up to masses of  $\sim \text{TeV}$ .
- Also probe **hMSSM parameter space**, constraining heavy Higgs mass up to  $\sim 500 \text{ GeV}$ .

**So ... where are we  
headed ?**

# HL-LHC Prospects

- Extrapolated limits with the HL-LHC could lead to the **5 $\sigma$  discovery of  $HH$  production**, and a definitive test of the self-coupling in the SM. Further prospects in **ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-053**.
- Success of discovery dependent on **innovation** and **systematics**.

