

# CMS Overview

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# Outline

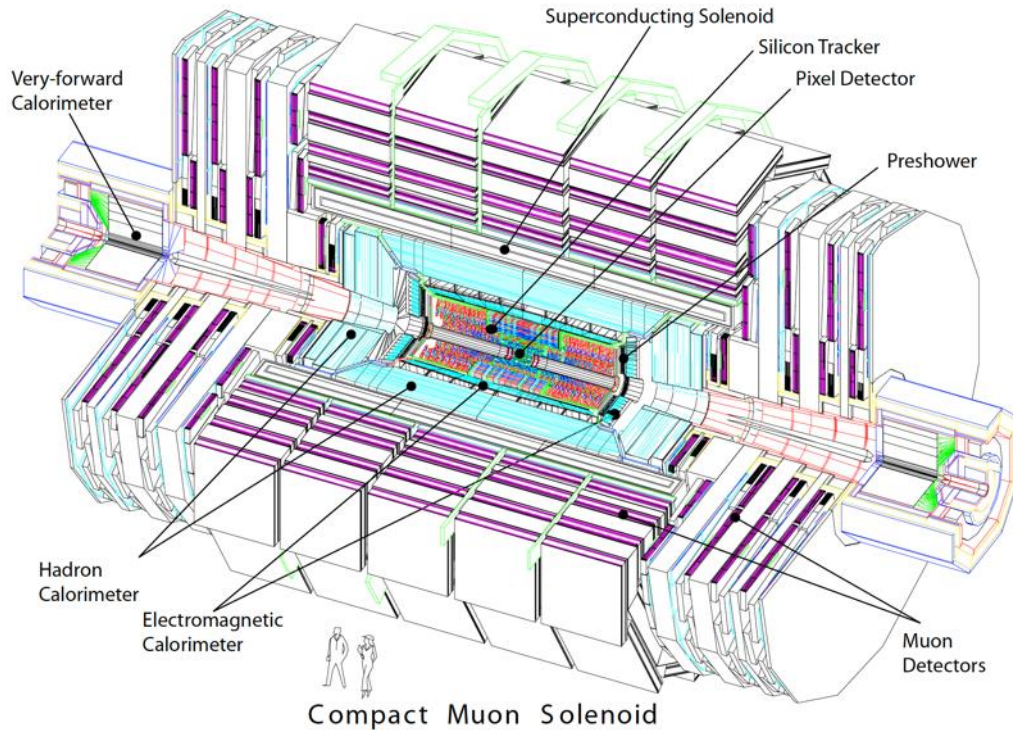
## CMS 101

- Detector
- Going beyond the “nominal mandate”
- Upgrades for HL-LHC
- Luminosity: past, present, future

## Hand-picked recent physics results

- Part I: Higgs boson
- Part II: beyond Higgs boson

# CMS at glance



**Solenoid:** 3.8 T

**Pixel Detector:**  $\sigma_{\text{IP}} \sim 10 \mu\text{m}$

**Silicon Strip Tracker:**  $\delta p_T/p_T \sim 1\%$

**EM calorimeter:**  $\delta E_T/E_T \sim 0.5\%$

**Hadron calorimeter:** jet  $\delta E_T/E_T \sim 10\%$

**Muon System:** standalone  $\delta p_T/p_T \sim 10\%$

**Trigger:**

- Level 1 (calo+muon only): 100 kHz
- High-Level Trigger: 1 kHz

**30 years since inception (Letter of Intent)**

# CMS: going beyond the “nominal mandate” (1)

## Parked data

### HLT rate:

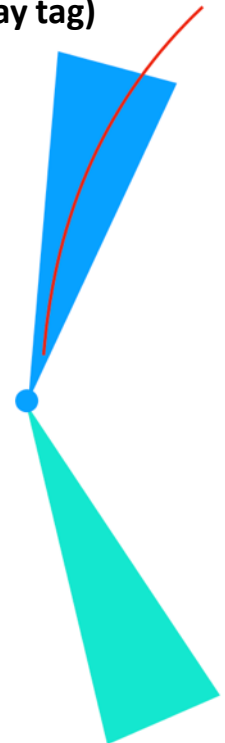
- **original design goal: 100 Hz**, limited by anticipated DAQ bandwidth and disk space
- **current rate: 1 kHz**, limited by the computing power to reconstruct data as we take it

CMS can take data at higher rates, **2-4 kHz, with low trigger thresholds** and “park” extra data for reconstruction during long shutdowns

In 2018, parked data was taken with **low- $p_T$  displaced-muon triggers ( $B \rightarrow \mu$  decay tag)**  
**Recorded  $>10^{10}$  events with unbiased  $B$ 's** (20 times the entire BaBar  $B$  dataset)

**Example of analysis:**  $R(K^*) = \frac{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu)}{\mathcal{B}(B \rightarrow K^* e e)}$  (in progress, stay tuned)

low- $p_T$  displaced-muon trigger  
( $B \rightarrow \mu$  decay tag)



Probe B

# CMS: going beyond the “nominal mandate” (2)

## Scouting trigger datasets

Another way to **take events with low-threshold triggers** without breaking the DAQ bandwidth is to **record events with limited amount of information**

- discard all raw data information
- retain HLT-reconstructed objects and only those of interest
- event size  $\sim 1$  kB (vs  $\sim 1$  MB for a full event record)
- can have a few triggers running at  $> 1$  kHz while taking only a tiny fraction of the DAQ bandwidth

## Scouting triggers in Run 2

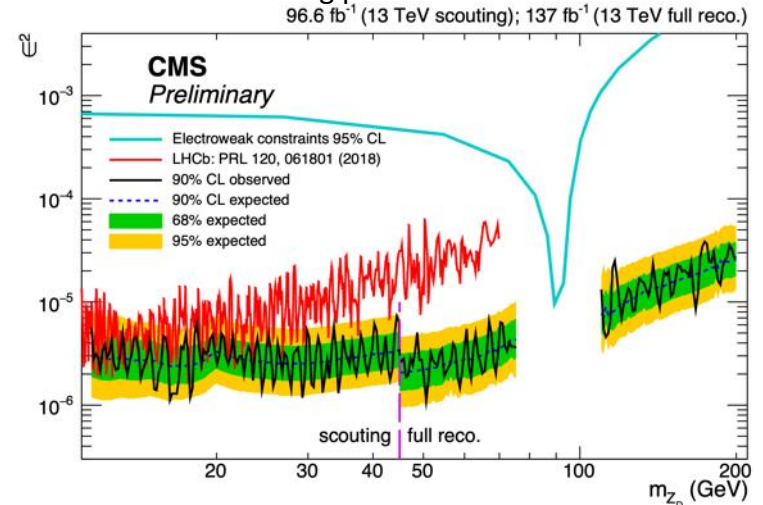
- $H_T > 250$  GeV (vs 900 for the nominal path)
- Dimuons with muon  $p_T > 3$  GeV (vs 17/8 for nominal path)

## Examples of analyses:

- Search for  $X \rightarrow jj$  in 0.6-1.6 TeV range [JHEP08(2018)130]
- Search for  $X \rightarrow \mu\mu$  with masses 10-45 GeV [PRL 124 (2020) 131802]  
**1-10 GeV (in progress, stay tuned)**

Dark photon ( $Z_d \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ):

limits on the mixing parameter  $\epsilon$



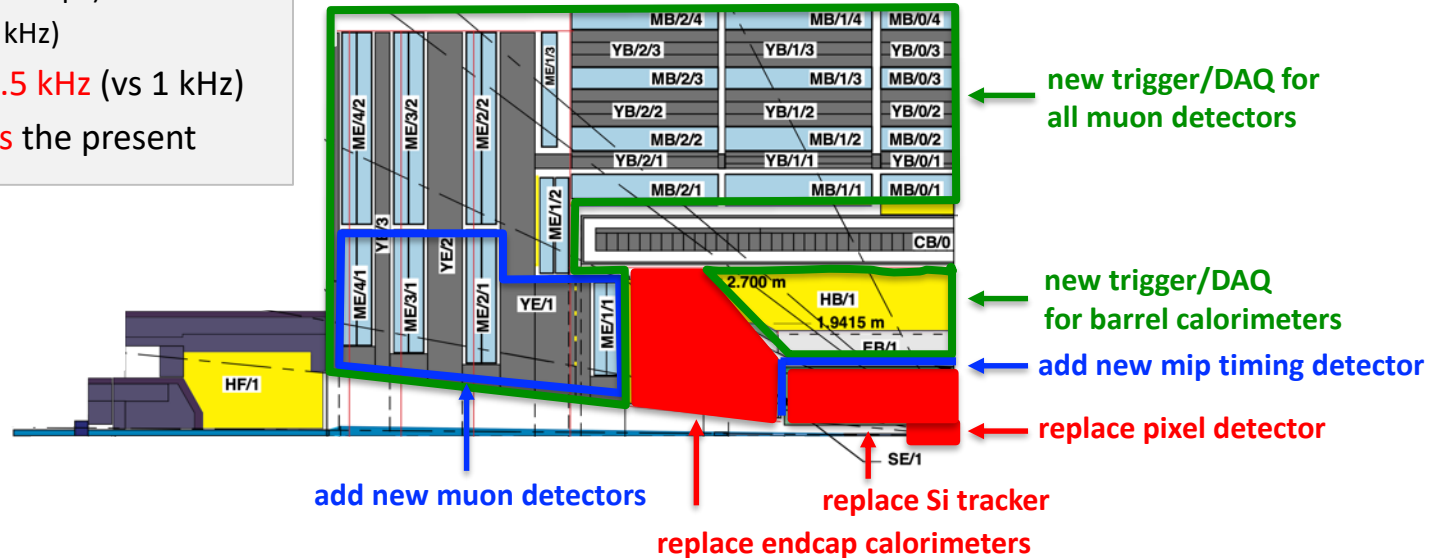
# CMS: upgrades for HL-LHC

## L1 Trigger:

- add **L1 track trigger** (presently none)
- latency of **12.5  $\mu$ s** (vs 3.6  $\mu$ s)
- rate **750 kHz** (vs 100 kHz)

**High-Level Trigger:** rate **7.5 kHz** (vs 1 kHz)

**DAQ bandwidth:** **10 times** the present



All upgraded subsystems will have enhanced capabilities

# Luminosity reminders

## Run 1

- 7 TeV (2011):  $\sim 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- 8 TeV (2012):  $\sim 20 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

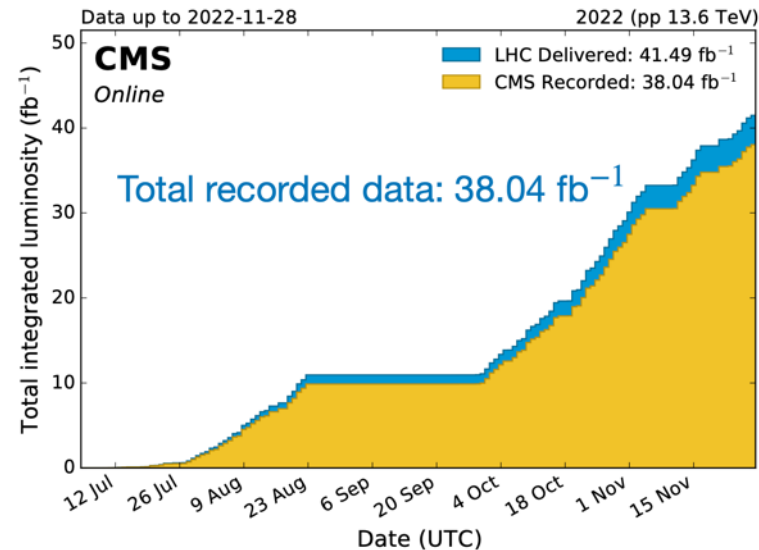
**Run 2 (2015-2018):** 13 TeV  $\sim 140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

**Run 3 (2022-2025):** 13.6 TeV  $\sim 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  **triple statistics** (from 140 to 440  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )

**HL-LHC (2029-2041):** 14 TeV  $\sim 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   **$\times 20$  statistics** (from 140 to 3000+  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )  
**+ trigger/detector upgrades**



# Run 3 status



Energy: **13.6 TeV**

**2022 (start-up year): 38 fb<sup>-1</sup> (recorded, 92% efficiency)**

**2023 – 2025 (main period): 300 fb<sup>-1</sup> by 2025 (planned)**

**2023 (war realities):** LHC running time has been cut from 20 to 13 weeks due to the energy crisis

**New projection for Run 3 lumi:** wait and see



# Hand-picked recent physics results

## Part I: Higgs boson

# H(125) as a portal to BSM

## The discovered Higgs boson:

- In SM, the Higgs boson's mass is the only free parameter in the Higgs sector – **must be measured**

### However:

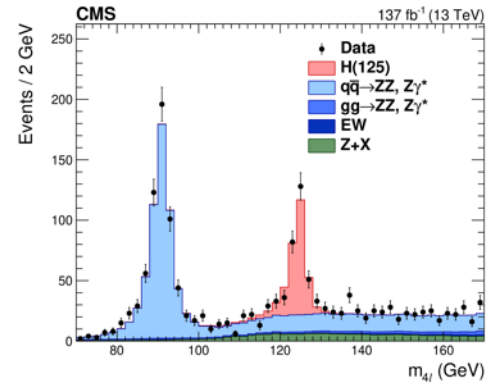
- being a theoretically-problematic oddity (scalar)
- and given its profound role in the SM,
- **Higgs boson just may turn out to be a unique portal to BSM unlike any other SM particle**

## CMS has a broad program of searches for BSM associated with the discovered $H_{125}$ :

- are there small deviations in  $H_{125}$  couplings to the SM particles?
- is it **100% pure CP-even scalar**? is it truly **point-like**?
- are there **BSM production** modes? ( $t \rightarrow qH$ ,  $X \rightarrow HH$ , abnormal non-resonant HH)
- are there **BSM decay** modes? (H width,  $H \rightarrow$  invisible,  $H \rightarrow \ell\ell'$  (CLFV),  $H \rightarrow$  BSM particles)
- And, of course, are there **more BSM spin-0 particles**? (another scalar, pseudoscalar,  $H^\pm$ ,  $H^{\pm\pm}$ )

# Higgs boson: mass

$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$  [Run 2]



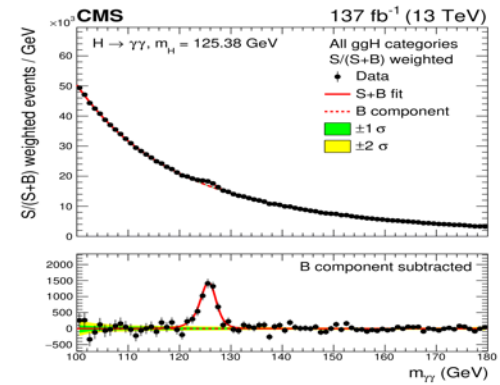
$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  are workhorse channels

Run 1 + 2016 results:  **$125.38 \pm 0.14$  GeV** PLB 805 (2020) 135425  
still the most precise

$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ :  $125.26 \pm 0.20(\text{stat}) \pm 0.08(\text{syst})$  GeV JHEP11(2017)047

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ :  $125.78 \pm 0.18(\text{stat}) \pm 0.18(\text{syst})$  GeV PLB 805 (2020) 135425

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  [Run 2]



Statistical powers of the two channels are similar

**Emerging challenge** in  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ : syst. uncertainties become a limiting factor

Run 2: Results in 2023, *expect precision < 100 MeV*

HL-LHC: Expected precision  $\sim 20$  MeV

CMS PAS FTR-21/007 and 21/008

# Decay modes

SM Higgs

bb	WW	$\tau\tau$	cc	ZZ	$\gamma\gamma$	Z $\gamma$	$\mu\mu$	“hopeless”: gg, qq, ee
58%	21%	6.3%	2.9%	2.6%	0.23%	0.15%	0.022%	9%

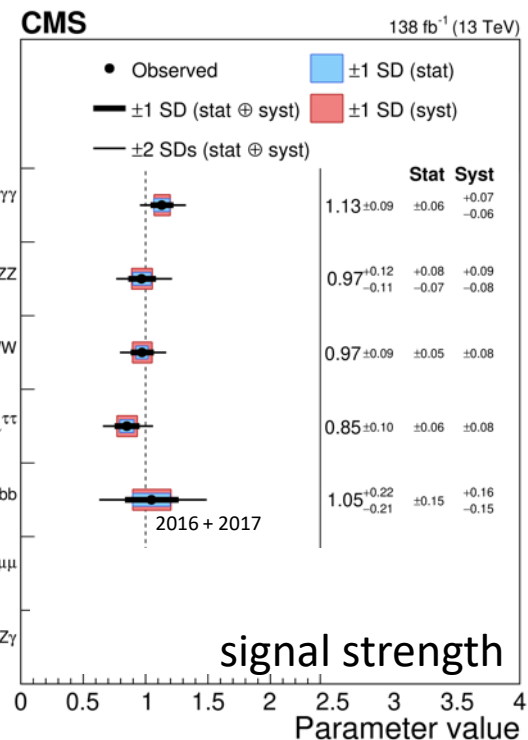
In green: five well-established decay modes ( $>5\sigma$ )

- They comprise  $\sim 90\%$  of the total SM Higgs width.
- All event rates are compatible with the SM predictions
- The overall signal strength  $\mu = 1.002 \pm 0.057$

**Emerging challenge:** experimental statistical uncertainties are becoming comparable to experimental systematics and theory uncertainty. E.g. the overall combined signal strength

$$\mu = 1.002 \pm 0.036(\text{stat}) \pm 0.029(\text{exp}) \pm 0.033(\text{theory})$$

In gray: three decay modes being searched for...



# Search for $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$

SM:  $B(H \rightarrow \mu\mu) \approx 0.02\%$

probing Higgs coupling to the second-generation fermions

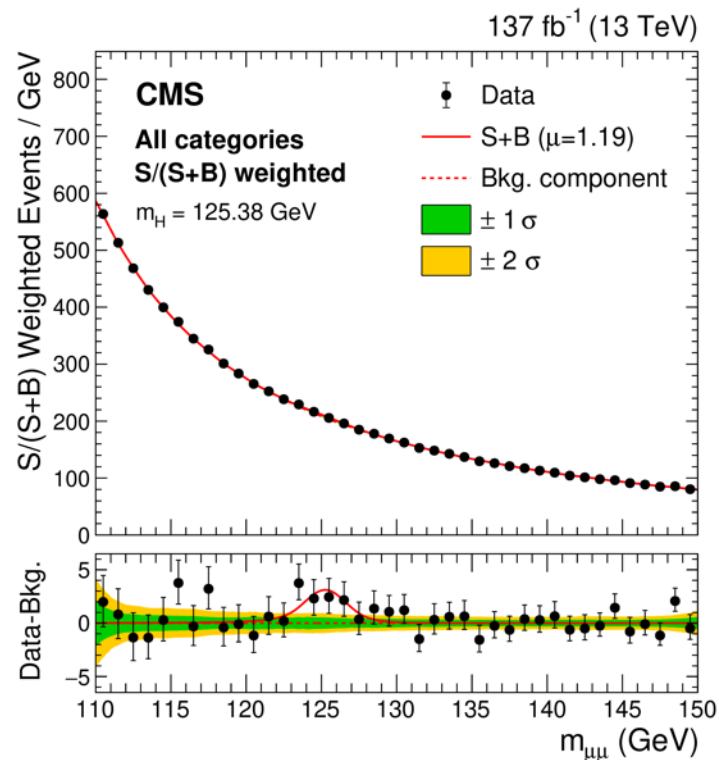
## Analysis:

- Two prompt muons
- ggF, VBF, and VH categories
- Look for a small blip in the dimuon invariant mass at  $m_{\mu\mu} \sim 125$  GeV

Significance: **3.0** (evidence)

Signal strength:  $\mu = 1.2 \pm 0.4$  (consistent with SM)

Assuming SM H, we need  $\sim 4$  times more data to establish this decay mode with  $5\sigma$



# Search for $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$

**SM:**  $B(H \rightarrow Z\gamma)B(Z \rightarrow ee/\mu\mu) \approx 0.01\%$

loop-induced rare decay  $\rightarrow$  potentially sensitivity to BSM

## Analysis:

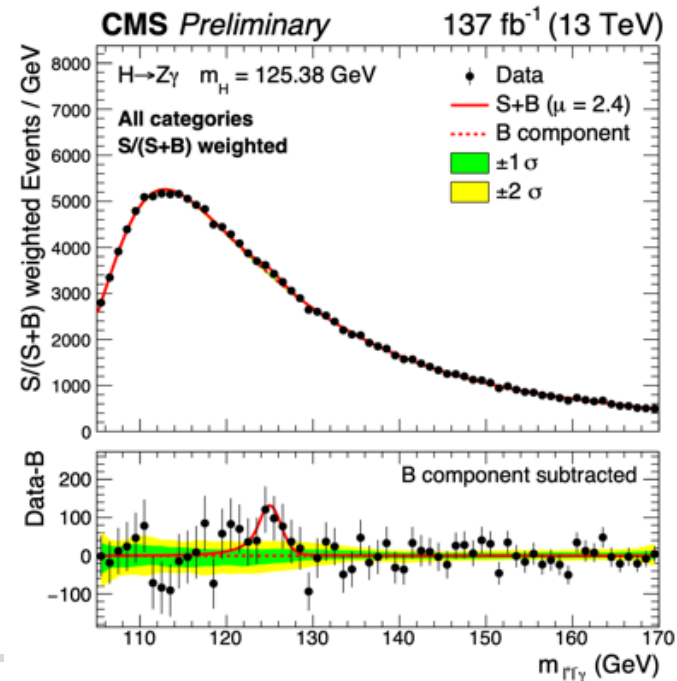
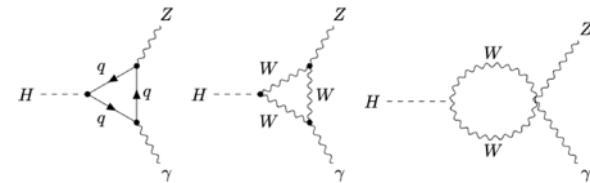
- Two prompt leptons with  $m_{\ell\ell} \sim m_Z$
- VBF, VH, and ttH categories + (ggF with  $D_{\text{kin}}(\ell\ell\gamma)$ )
- Look for a small blip in the dimuon invariant mass at  $m_{\ell\ell} \sim 125$  GeV

**Significance: 2.7**

**Signal strength:  $\mu = 2.4 \pm 0.9$**

(an excess, but still well consistent with SM)

Assuming SM H, we need  $\sim 20$  times more data to establish this decay mode with  $5\sigma$



# Search for $H \rightarrow cc$

**SM:**  $B(H \rightarrow cc) \approx 3\%$

probing Higgs coupling to the second-generation fermions

## Search mode:

- **V+H(cc)**, including high- $p_T$  H (merged c-quark jets)

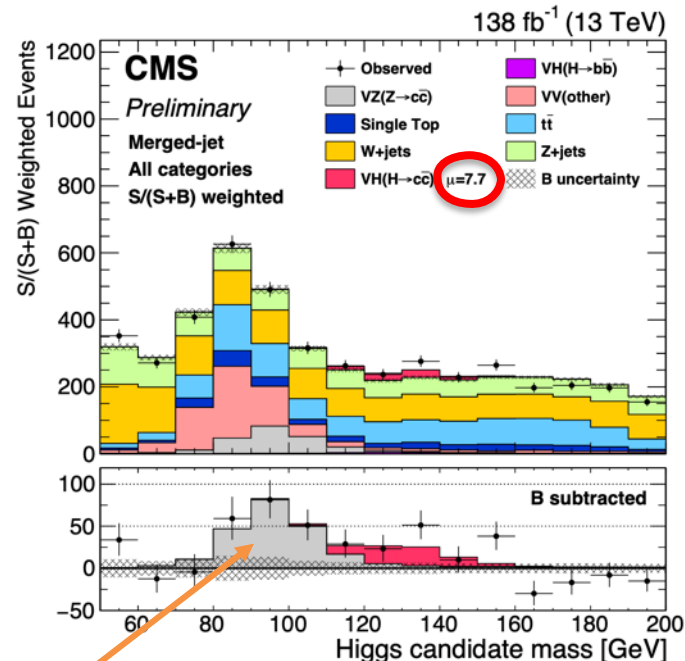
## One needs to fight:

- **V+jets**, huge cross section (not picking in  $m(jj)$ )
- **VH**,  $H \rightarrow bb$  (20 times the  $H \rightarrow cc$  rate!)
- Need a two-sided discriminant: **q/g-jet** vs **c-jet** vs **b-jet**
- Advanced ML/AI techniques are now being employed and provide significant improvements in such discrimination

**95% CL limit:  $\mu < 14$  (7.6 expected)**

**Signal strength:  $\mu = 7.7 \pm 3.7$**

Naively, one would need >100 times more data to see an evidence for this SM H decay with  $3\sigma$



*“standard candle”*  $VZ, Z \rightarrow cc$

$\mu = 1.0 \pm 0.2$   
 significance 5.7

Just out: search for high- $p_T$  H(cc)  
 CMS-HIG-21-012 (Nov 25, 2012)  
 95%CL limit:  $\mu < 47$  (39 expected)



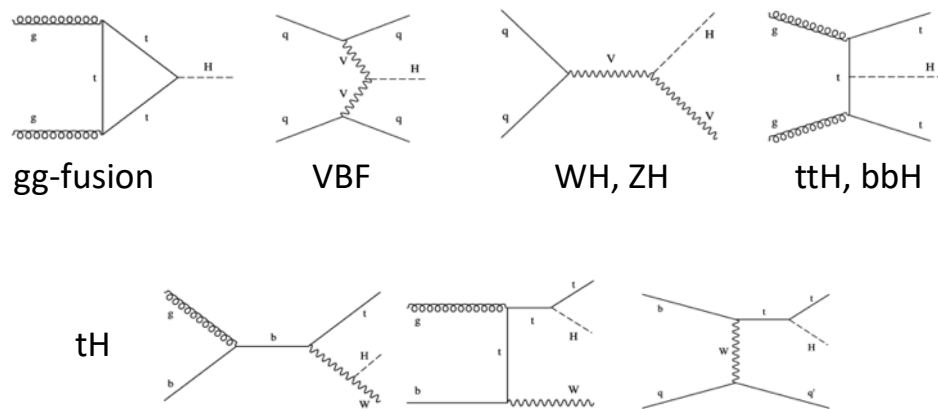
# Established production modes

SM Higgs ( $\sigma=55.7$  pb at 13 TeV)

gg	VBF	WH	ZH	ttH	tH	bbH
87.2%	6.8%	2.5%	1.6%	0.9%	0.2%	0.9%

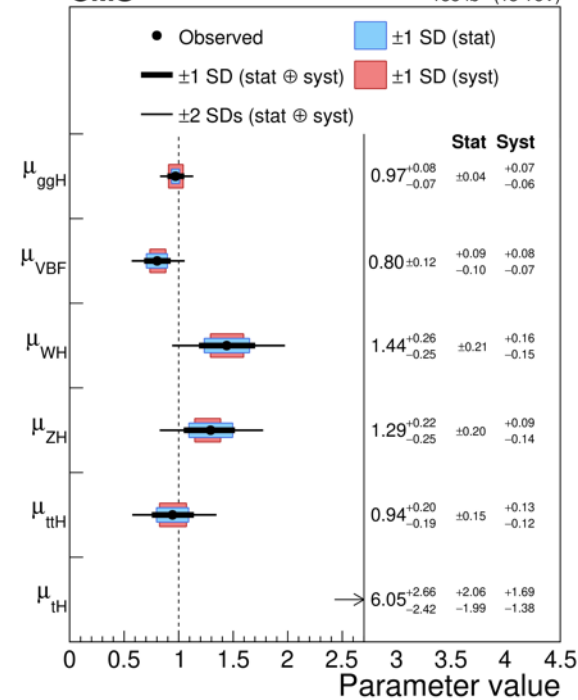
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138 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)



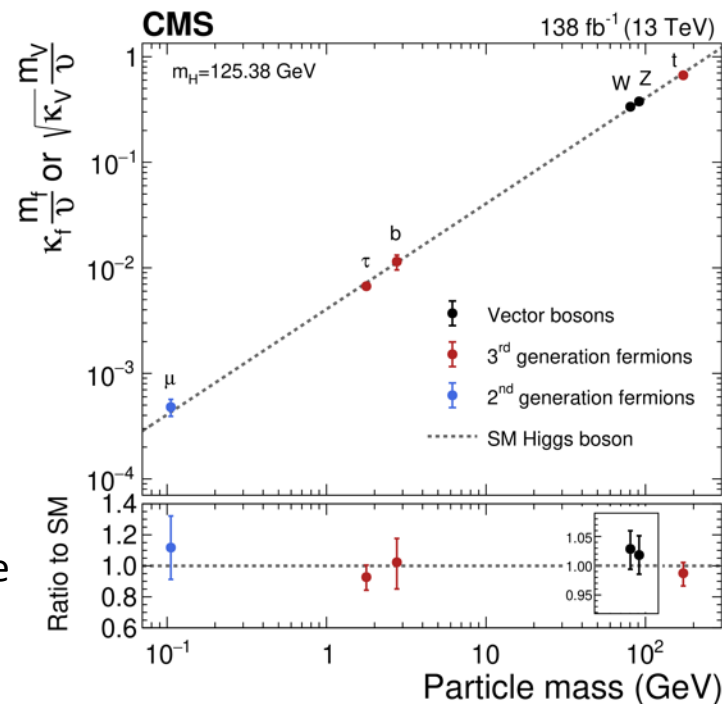
# Fit for couplings modifiers

Event rate for  $ii \rightarrow H \rightarrow ff$ : 
$$\sigma_i \mathcal{B}^f = \frac{\sigma_i(\vec{\kappa}) \Gamma^f(\vec{\kappa})}{\Gamma_H(\vec{\kappa})}$$

Fit for six Higgs coupling modifiers:  $\kappa_W, \kappa_Z, \kappa_t, \kappa_b, \kappa_\tau, \kappa_\mu$

## Assuming:

- no “new physics” in loop-driven couplings ( $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, gg \rightarrow H$ )
- no BSM decays (invisible, not observed)
- couplings to the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>-gen. quarks and electrons are SM-like (i.e., small and hence having a negligible effect on the fit)



Impressive agreement with SM over three orders of magnitude of couplings

# Search for HH production

In SM,  $\sigma(HH) : \sigma(H) \sim 1 : 1000$

Three most sensitive decay modes:

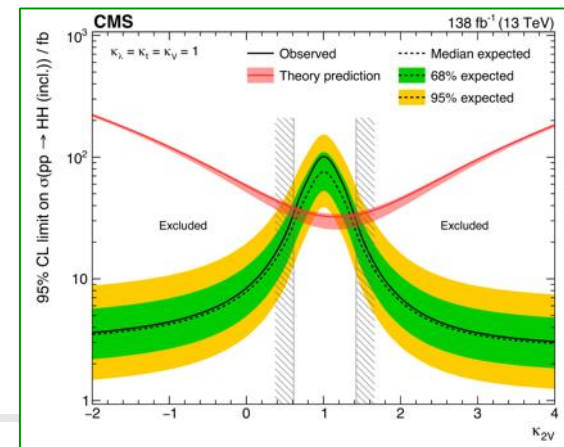
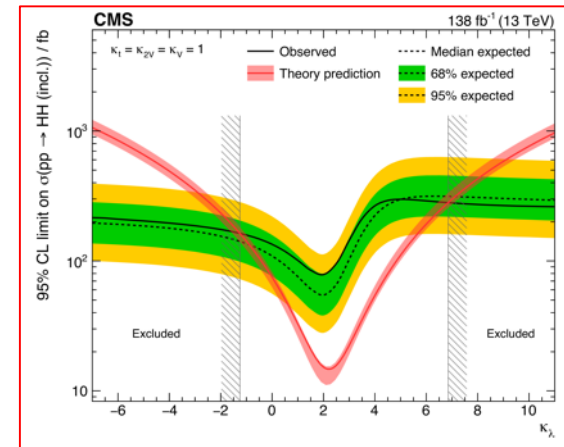
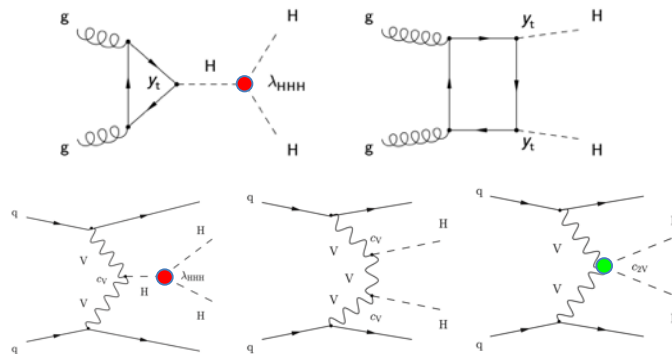
- $HH \rightarrow (bb)(bb)$
- $HH \rightarrow (bb)(\tau\tau)$
- $HH \rightarrow (bb)(\gamma\gamma)$

Production modes tags:

- VBF
- untagged (ggF)

Results (95% CL limits)

- HH production signal strength  $\mu < 3.4$
- **HHH** coupling  $-1.2 < \kappa_\lambda < 6.5$
- **VVHH** quartic coupling  $0.7 < \kappa_{2V} < 1.4$  (0 excluded with  $6.6\sigma$ !)



# Hand-picked recent physics results

## Part II: Beyond Higgs boson

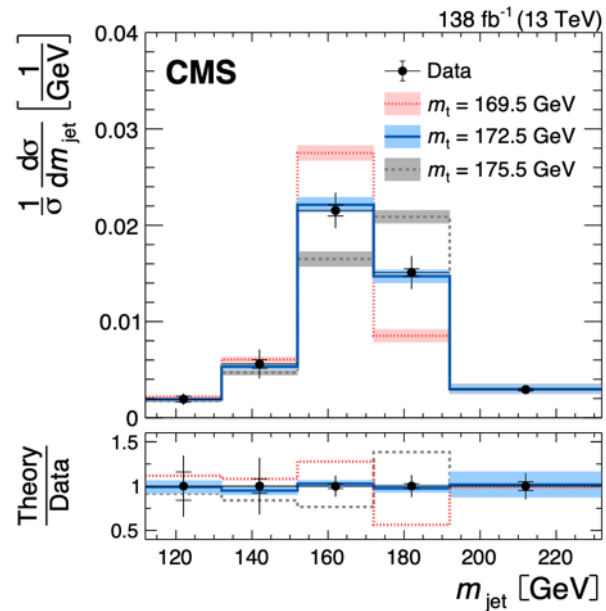
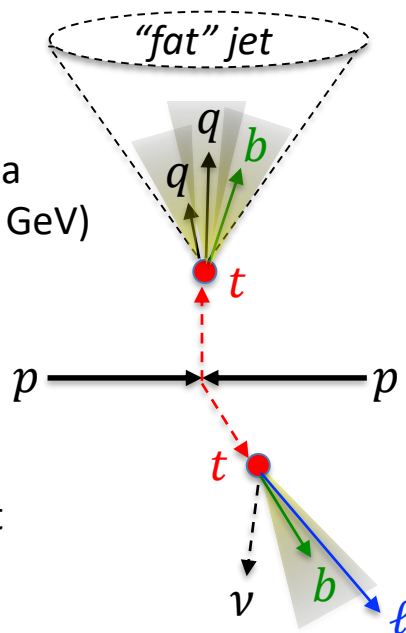
# SM: Top quark mass (boosted top)

**Signature:**  $tt \rightarrow (bjj) + b\ell\nu$

- target events with top  $p_T > 400$  GeV
- one top decays hadronically and forms a “fat” jet with sub-structure (jet  $p_T > 400$  GeV)
- another top decays leptonically (due to boost, the lepton may not be isolated)

**Final observable:** “fat” jet mass ( $m_{\text{jet}}$ )

Significant effort on reducing uncertainties on jet mass scale and jet energy scale – dominant experimental syst. uncertainties



**Measurements with the 2016 dataset:**

dilepton:  $172.33 \pm 0.73$  GeV

single lepton:  $172.25 \pm 0.63$  GeV

all jets:  $172.34 \pm 0.73$  GeV

from abs. x-section:  $172.33 \pm 0.70$  GeV

from diff. x-sections:  $170.5 \pm 0.8$  GeV

$m_t = 172.76 \pm 0.81$  GeV

$= 172.76 \pm 0.22(\text{stat}) \pm 0.57(\text{exp}) \pm 0.48(\text{model}) \pm 0.24(\text{theo})\text{GeV}$

**First top quark mass measurement with the full Run 2 dataset**

(precision is improved by a factor of 3 w.r.t. the 2016 dataset analysis)

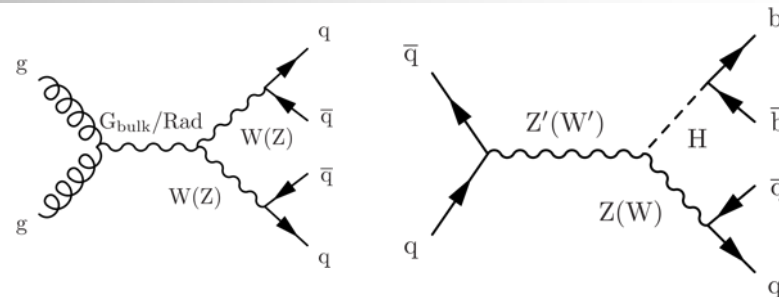
# BSM: $X \rightarrow VV, VH \rightarrow (jj)(jj)$

## Motivation examples:

- Graviton ( $J=2$ ),  $W'/Z'$  ( $J=1$ ), radion, heavy H ( $J=0$ )

## Signature:

- SM bosons ( $W, Z, H$ ) decay to  $qq$  pairs
- for  $m_X > 1.3$  GeV, expect two “fat” jets ( $R=0.8$ )
- assume  $\Gamma_X \ll m_{JJ}$
- VBF production is also explored



## Final discriminating observable:

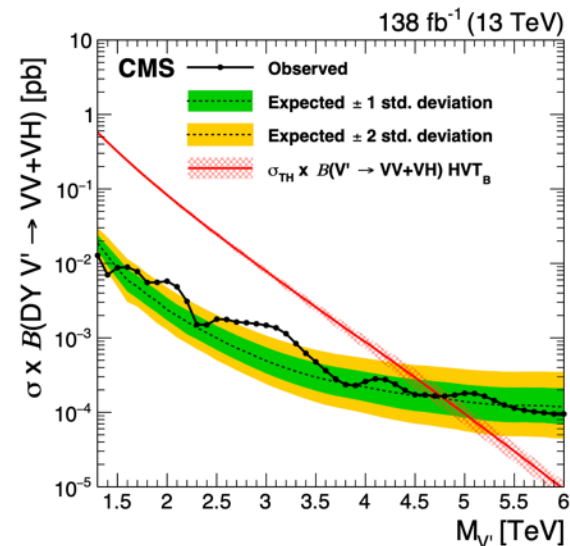
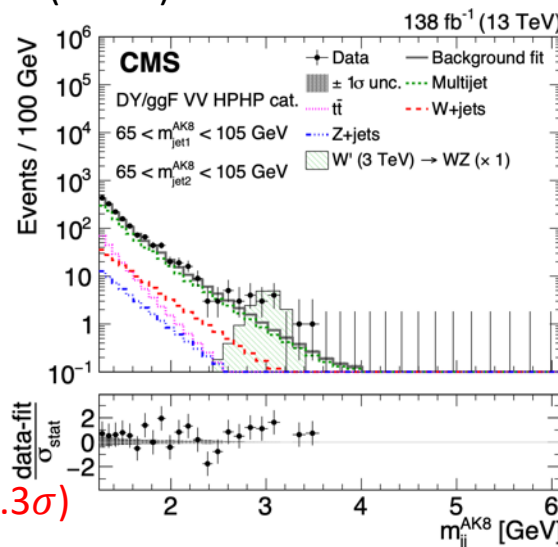
$3D(m_{JJ}, m_{J1}, m_{J2})$

$V' \rightarrow VV+VH$ :  $m_{V'} > 4.8$  TeV

Radion  $\rightarrow VV$ :  $m_{V'} > 2.7$  TeV

Graviton  $\rightarrow VV$ :  $m_{V'} > 1.4$  TeV

Max. excess at 2.9 TeV (local  $3.6 \sigma$ , global  $2.3 \sigma$ )



# BSM: $\tau + \text{MET}$

## Motivation examples:

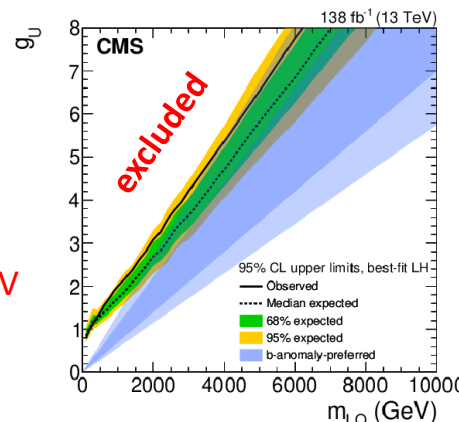
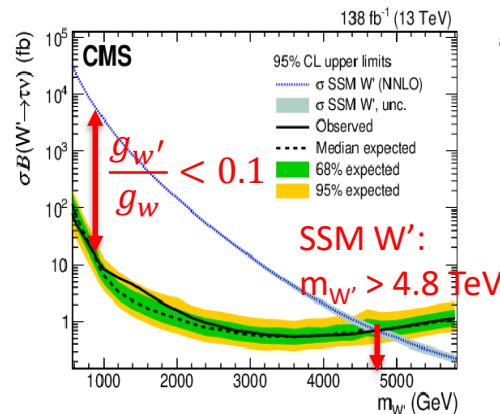
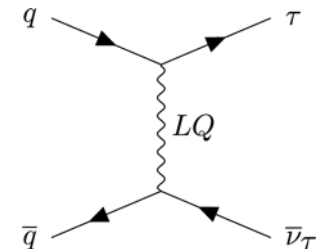
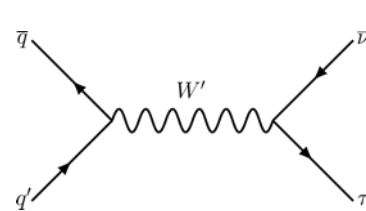
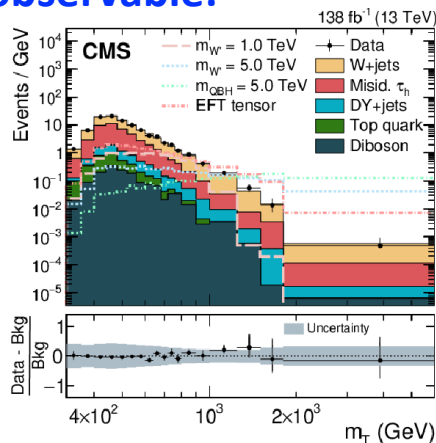
- new heavy gauge bosons ( $W'$ )
- leptoquarks (LQ)
- with dominant coupling to third generation fermions

## Signature: Hadronically decaying tau + MET

## Final discriminating observable:

transverse mass  $m_T$

$$m_T = \sqrt{2p_T^{\tau_h} p_T^{\text{miss}} [1 - \cos \Delta\phi(\vec{p}_T^{\tau_h}, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})]}$$



**Compare:**  
 e+MET:  $m_{W'} > 5.4 \text{ TeV}$   
 $\mu$ +MET:  $m_{W'} > 5.6 \text{ TeV}$   
 [JHEP 07 (2022) 067]

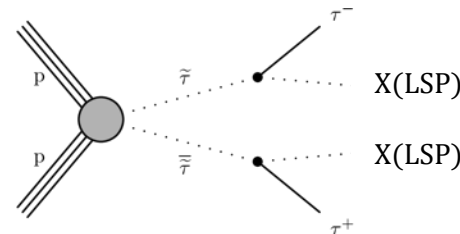
Limits in the context left-handed LQ model:  
 Search sensitivity is just next to the blue best-fit region to explain "B decay anomalies"



# BSM: SUSY $\tilde{t}\tilde{t} \rightarrow \tau\tau + p_T^{\text{miss}}$

## Motivation examples:

- SUSY resolves the hierarchy problem, gives a dark matter candidate
- and often favors 3<sup>rd</sup> generation sfermions to be the lightest



## Signature:

- two hadronically decaying tau leptons + MET
- non-prompt (long-lived)  $\tilde{\tau}'$ s are also explored

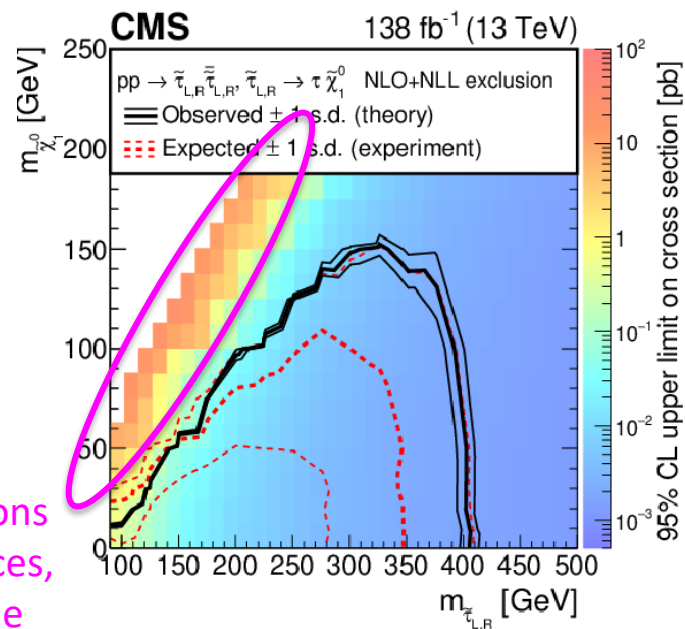
## Final discriminating observables:

- sum of transverse masses:  $\Sigma m_T = m_T(\tau_h^{(1)}) + m_T(\tau_h^{(2)})$
- “stransverse mass”:  $m_{T2} = \min_{\vec{p}_T^{X(1)} + \vec{p}_T^{X(2)} = \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}} \left[ \max \left( m_T^{(1)}, m_T^{(2)} \right) \right]$
- $p_T(\tau_1)$
- number of jets

**31 signal region bins:**

**no significant excesses**

Notoriously difficult regions  
with small mass differences,  
where SUSY/BSM can hide



# SM and BSM: $B \rightarrow \mu\mu$

## Motivations:

- $B \rightarrow \mu\mu$  is highly suppressed in SM, which can make BSM-induced decays more visible

## Analysis:

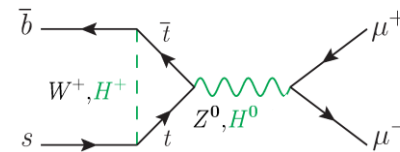
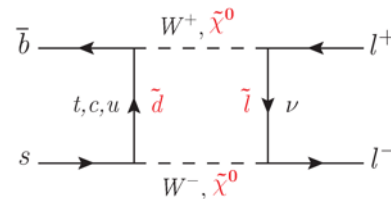
- Two muons, forming a common displaced vertex
- MVA to suppress backgrounds. Main bkg:
  - muons from different heavy-flavor mesons
  - muons from B-meson cascade decays
  - $B \rightarrow K\pi, B_s \rightarrow KK$  (mis-id)

## Results:

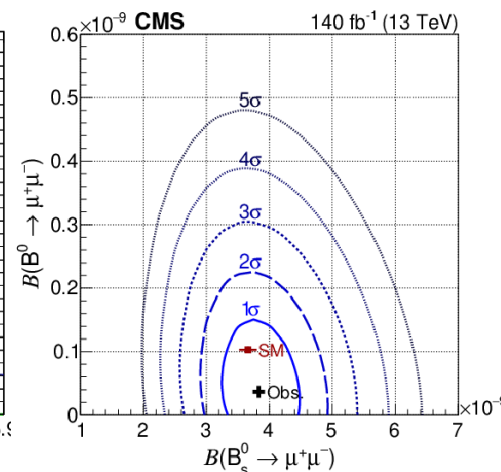
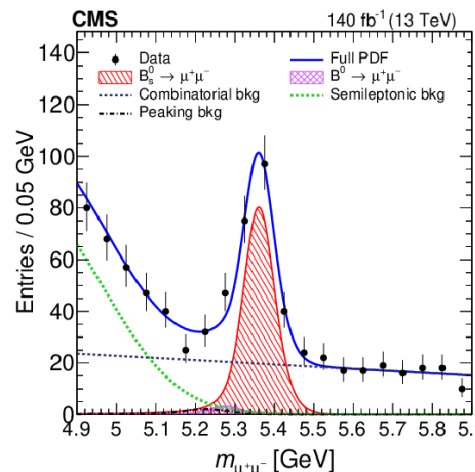
$$\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = \left[ 4.02^{+0.40}_{-0.38} \text{ (stat)} \text{ }^{+0.28}_{-0.23} \text{ (syst)} \text{ }^{+0.18}_{-0.15} \text{ (}\mathcal{B}\text{)} \right] \times 10^{-9}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) < 1.5 \times 10^{-10} \text{ at 90\% CL}$$

Both agree with the SM and are the most precise to date



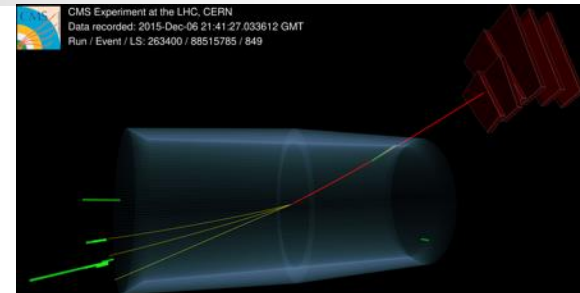
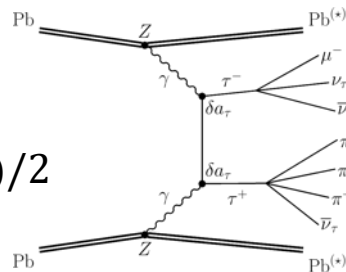
Examples of Feynman diagrams: black – SM particles  
red/green - BSM



# Heavy Ions with a twist: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$

## Motivations:

- measure cross section  $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau)$  and probe tau-leptons gyromagnetic ratio,  $a_\tau = (g_\tau - 2)/2$
- note:  $\sigma_{NN}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau) \sim \mathbf{Z}^4 \times \sigma_{pp}(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau)$



## Analysis:

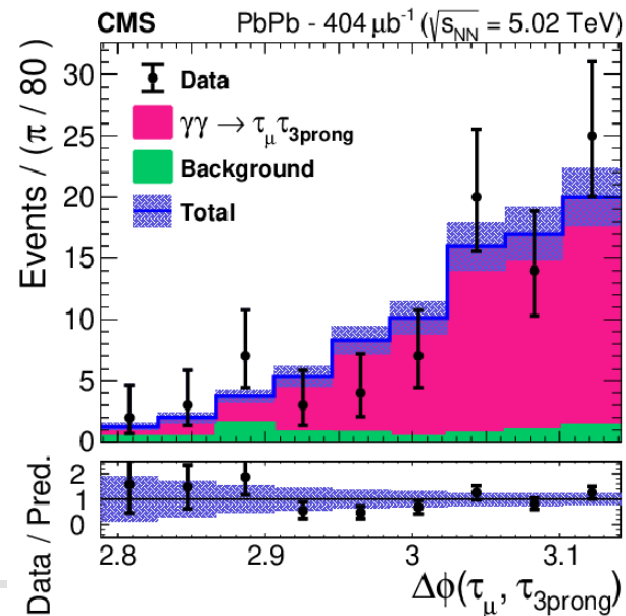
- 2015 dataset: Pb-Pb ( $Z=94$ ),  $\sqrt{\sigma_{NN}} = 5.02$  TeV,  $L = 0.40$  nb $^{-1}$
- ultraperipheral scattering (little activity in the CMS detector)
- $\tau_\mu$  (muon) and  $\tau_h$  (3-prong)

$\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau) = 4.8 \pm 0.6(\text{stat}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst}) \mu\text{b}$ , in agreement with SM

From this value:  $a_\tau = 0.001_{-0.089}^{+0.055}$

SM prediction:  $a_\tau = 0.00117721$  (5)

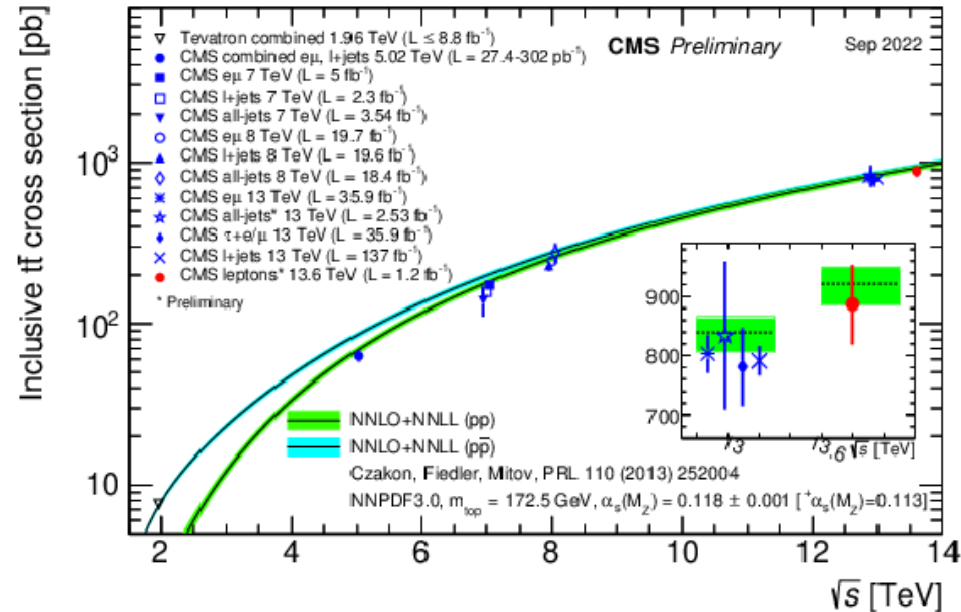
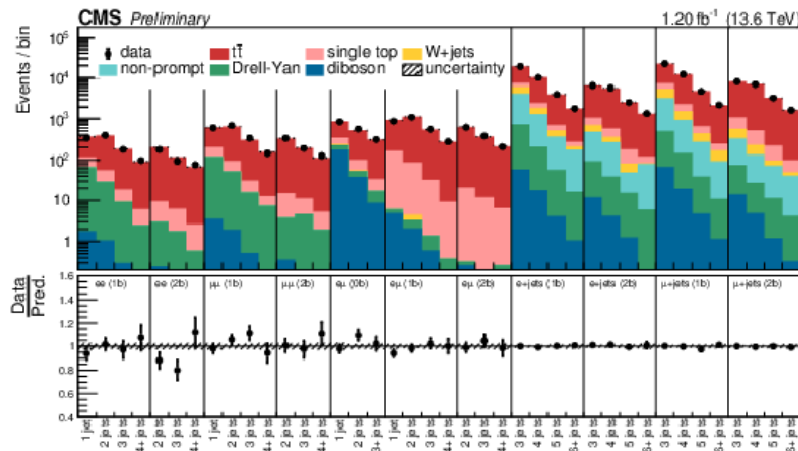
The best measurement so far (DELPHI):  $a_\tau = -0.018 \pm 0.017$



# SM: tt production at 13.6 TeV

## Signal signature and analysis:

- Two OS leptons or one (ee, μμ, eμ, e, μ)
- Varying number of jets with 0/1/2 b-tags
- 40 signal region bins
- signal >> background in all bins
- main backgrounds are constraint from data



$\sigma = 887 \pm 42$  (stat + syst)  $\pm 53$  (lumi) pb  
in agreement with the SM

# Summary

## Exquisite measurements and BSM search results obtained with the Run 2 data keep coming

- I presented just a few hand-picked recently released results
- There are lots more out there, and many more to come – <https://cms-results-search.web.cern.ch>

## Run 3 has started (13.6 TeV) and CMS takes data with high efficiency

- In 2022, collected data corresponds to  $38 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  – first results are already coming out
- Three more years to run – with the goal to get  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  worth of data
- By then, statistical power of measurements/searches will be three times of what we show now

## CMS upgrades are well underway for HL-LHC operation to start in six years

- A giant leap in the CMS data-taking capabilities
- And  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  worth of data by 2041 (CMS will be half-century old by then)

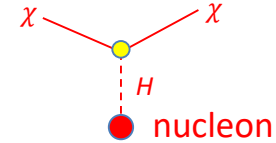
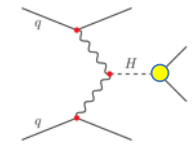
# Backup

# Search for H125 → invisible

## REINTERPRETATION

$B(H \rightarrow \chi\chi)$

⇒  $\chi N$  scattering cross section

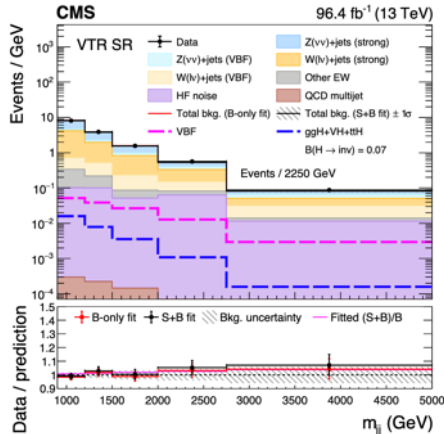
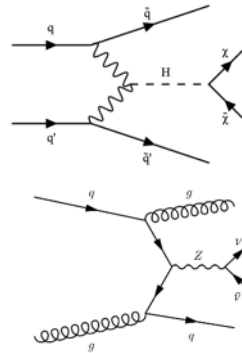


## Motivation:

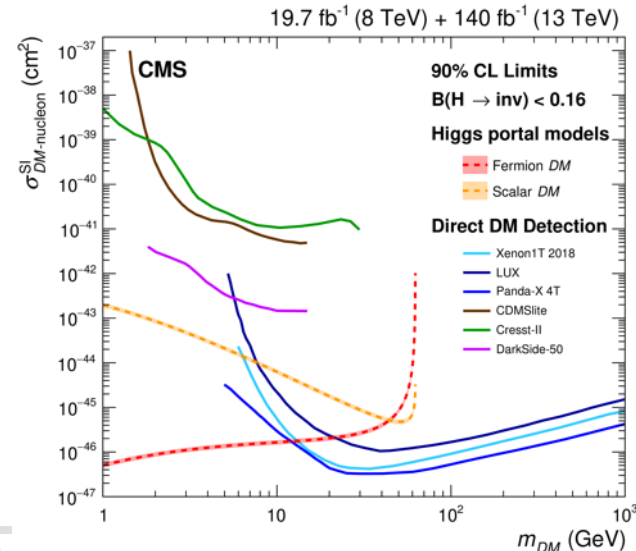
- BSM (Higgs as a portal to dark sector)
- in SM,  $B(H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\nu) \sim 0.001$

## Analysis:

- Signature: MET + VBF-like jets
- Main backgrounds:  $Z(\nu\nu)+jets$ ,  $W(\ell\nu)+jets$



$B(H \rightarrow inv) < 0.18$  at 95% CL  
(0.10 expected)





# Higgs boson's natural width

From the ratio of off-shell to on-shell rates using  
 $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$  [Run 2] and  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$  [2016+2017]

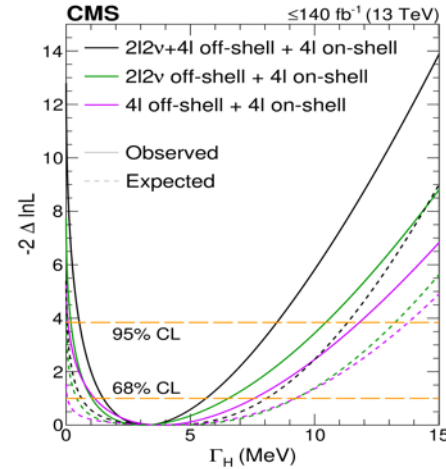
And assuming:

- SM-like amplitude structure for  $H \rightarrow ZZ$  decays
- No significant BSM physics in  $gg \rightarrow H$  up to  $m_H \sim 1$  TeV  
*(fair, as otherwise we would probably already see it explicitly)*

From the combination of all on-shell decays

And assuming:

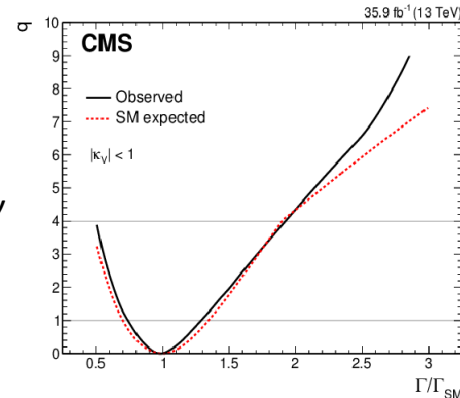
- SM-like amplitude structure for all Higgs coupling
- $|\kappa_W|, |\kappa_Z| \leq 1$  *(fair, as it is hard to build a self-consistent theory violating these conditions)*
- Ad'l unknown partial width, making the total width a free par



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$$\Gamma_H = 3.2^{+2.4}_{-1.7} \text{ MeV}$$

First evidence for Higgs off-shell production with  $3.6\sigma$  significance

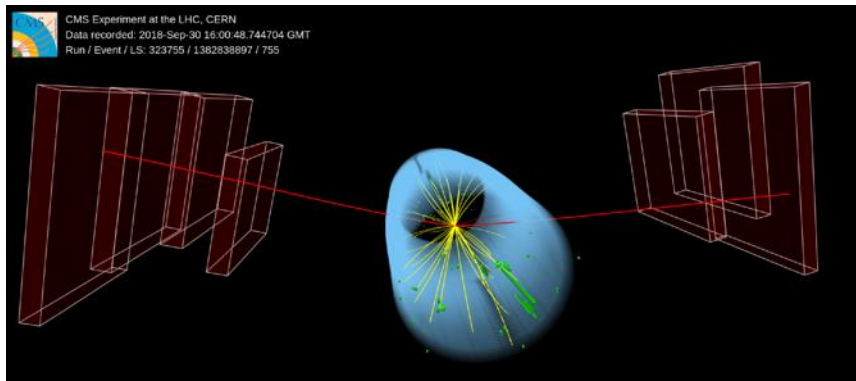
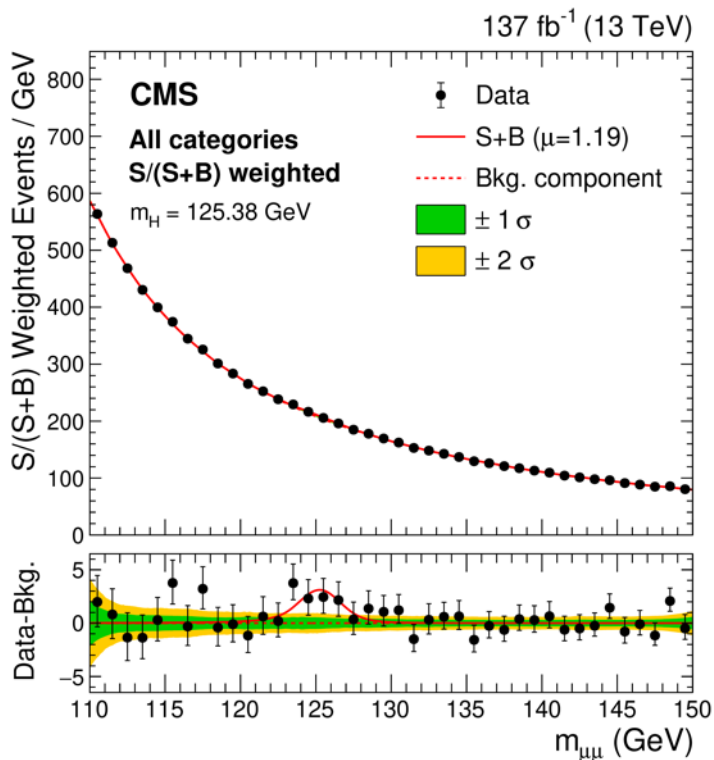


Eur. Phys. J. C 79 (2019) 421  
 [2016 dataset]

$$\Gamma_H = 4.0^{+1.3}_{-1.0} \text{ MeV}$$

# Search for $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$

SM:  $B(H \rightarrow \mu\mu) \approx 0.02\%$



	<b>CMS [Run 2]</b> JHEP 01 (2021) 148	<b>ATLAS [Run 2]</b> PLB 812 (2021) 135980
Significance	3.0	2.0
Signal strength ( $\mu$ )	$1.2 \pm 0.4$	$1.2 \pm 0.6$

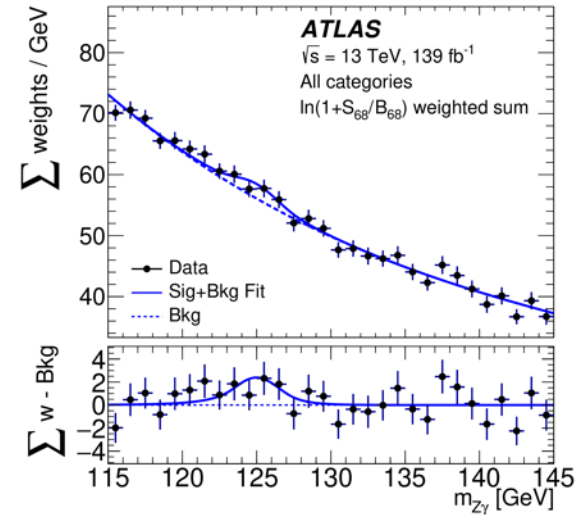
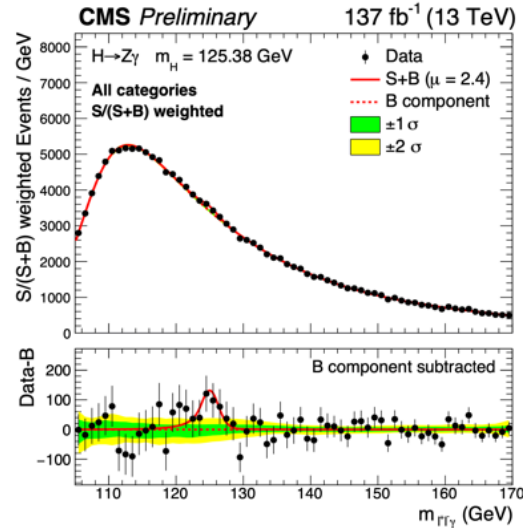
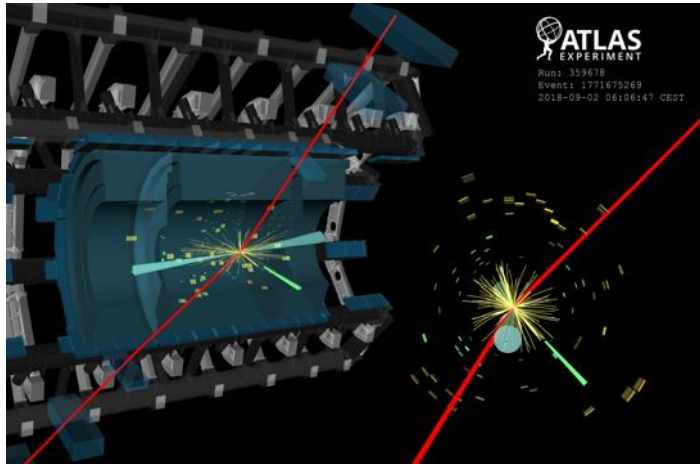
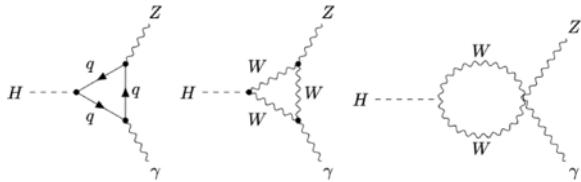
Evidence for the Higgs boson's coupling to the second generation fermions!

Need ~4 times more data to establish this SM H decay with  $5\sigma$

# Search for $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$

Loop-induced decay in SM

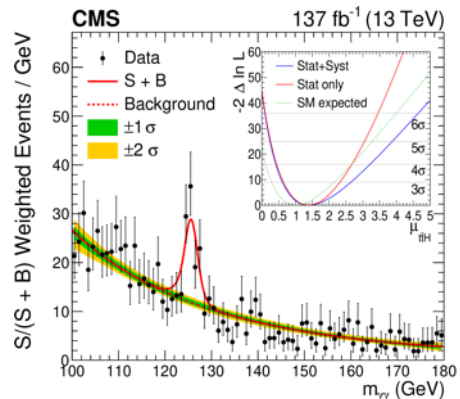
SM:  $B(H \rightarrow Z\gamma)B(Z \rightarrow ee/\mu\mu) \approx 0.01\%$



	<b>CMS [Run 2]</b> PAS HIG-19-014	<b>ATLAS [Run 2]</b> PLB 809 (2020) 135754
Significance	2.7	2.2
Signal strength ( $\mu$ )	$2.4 \pm 0.9$	$2.0 \pm 1.0$

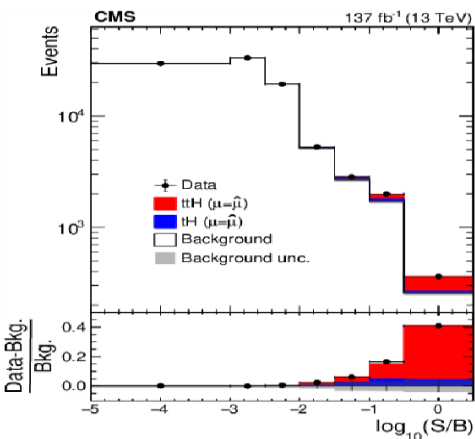
Need ~20 times more data to establish this SM H decay with  $5\sigma$

# ttH – production mode established most recently



*ttH,  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$*

	CMS [Run 2] PRL 125 (2020) 061801	ATLAS [Run 2] PRL 125 (2020) 061802
Significance	6.6	5.2
Signal strength ( $\mu$ )	$1.38 \pm 0.33$	$1.43 \pm 0.37$



*ttH, ( $H \rightarrow WW/ZZ/\tau\tau$ )  $\rightarrow$  leptons*

	CMS [Run 2] EPJC 81 (2021) 378	ATLAS [2016+2017] ATLAS-CONF-2019-045
Significance	4.7	1.8
Signal strength ( $\mu$ )	$0.92 \pm 0.24$	$0.58 \pm 0.26$

**Are H125's quantum  $J^{CP}$  numbers  $0^{++}$ ,  
as predicted by the SM ?**

# INTRO: Higgs bosonic (V) coupling structure

General Lagrangian for HVV interactions up to dim-5 operators:

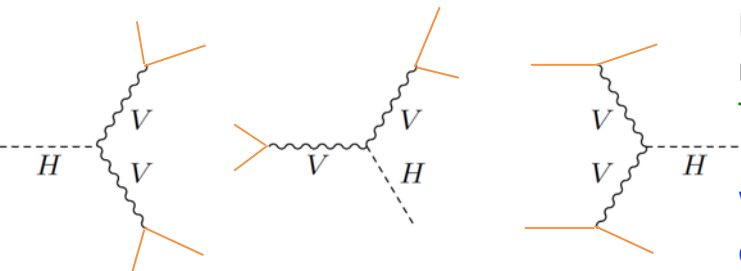
$$L = -\frac{a_1}{2v} m_V^2 H V_\mu V^\mu - \frac{a_2}{2v} H F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} - \frac{a_3}{2v} H F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} + \frac{a_4}{2v} H V_\mu \square V^\mu + \frac{a_5}{2v} \square H V_\mu V^\mu$$

**SM dim-3 operator**

In SM:  $a_1 = 2$  for ZZ, WW  
The term vanishes for  $\gamma\gamma$

**dim-5 operators: loop-induced (very small in SM) or, otherwise, non-renormalizable**  
red factors with  $a_i/v$  are one of a conventions; they could've been written just as  $1/\Lambda_i$

The  $a_2$  term is CP-even. In SM,  $a_2 \sim O(10^{-2})$  [it is actually the lowest-order term for  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ]  
The  $a_3$  term is **the CP-odd term**. In SM,  $a_3 \sim O(10^{-11})$  [arises from CP-violation in the quark sector]  
The  $a_4$  term is is yet another CP-even distinct operator. In SM,  $\sim O(10^{-2})$   
The  $a_5$  term is experimentally indistinguishable from SM in on-shell studies (important for off-shell)



HVV couplings can be probed in  $H \rightarrow VV$  decays and  $VH$  and  $VBF$  production modes: four-fermion kinematics is sensitive to the HVV coupling structure. This technique was used to establish  $\pi^0$  parity in 1962:  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow (ee)(ee)$

When combining, HZZ and HWW processes, one has to assume how  $a_i^{ZZ}$  and  $a_i^{WW}$  are related to each other

# Higgs bosonic (V) coupling structure

CMS: PRD 104 (2021) 052004 [Run 2]

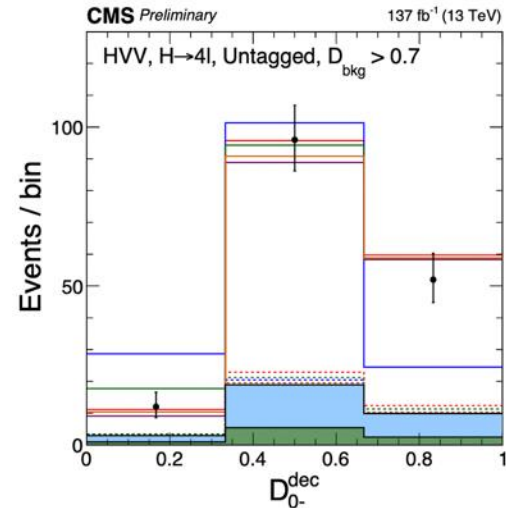
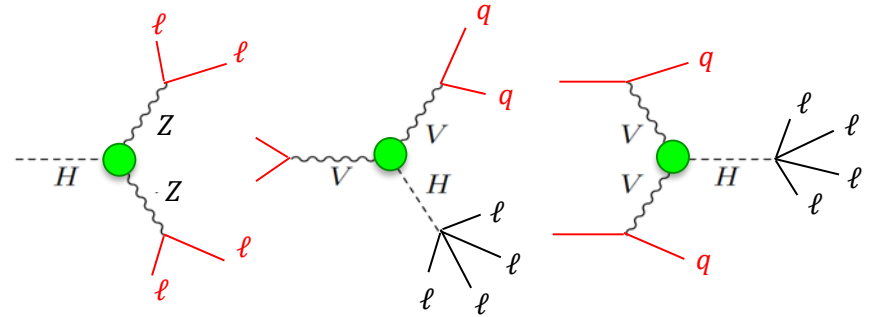
## H → ZZ → 4l

- On-shell analysis only
- WW and ZZ couplings  $a_i^{WW}$  and  $a_i^{ZZ}$  are related via custodial and SU(2) × SU(1) symmetries:
  - $a_1^{WW} = a_1^{ZZ}$
  - $a_2^{WW} = \cos^2 \theta_W a_2^{ZZ} + \dots$  (negligible)
  - $a_3^{WW} = \cos^2 \theta_W a_3^{ZZ} + \dots$  (negligible)
  - ...
- Production modes: VBF tag, VH tag, untagged
- ME-based discriminants

68% CL:  $a_3^{ZZ} / a_1^{ZZ} = 0.018_{-0.034}^{+0.066}$  (CP-odd admix)

$a_2^{ZZ} / a_1^{ZZ} = -0.004_{-0.058}^{+0.045}$

Coupling ratios are extracted from ratios  $f_{a3}$  and  $f_{a2}$  (Approach 2), given in the paper



gg-fusion selection  
 – red line: SM 0<sup>+</sup>  
 – blue line: 0<sup>-</sup>



# INTRO: Higgs fermionic (f) coupling structure

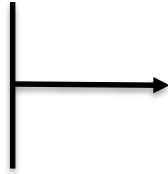
General lowest-dim Lagrangian for Higgs-fermion interactions:

$$L = -\frac{m_f}{v} \bar{\psi}_f (\kappa_f + i\tilde{\kappa}_f \gamma_5) \psi_f H$$

$\kappa_f$  term is CP-even

$\tilde{\kappa}_f$  term is CP-odd

both are tree-level (unlike HVV)



Define mixing angle  $\alpha$ , where  $\tan\alpha = \frac{\tilde{\kappa}_f}{\kappa_f}$

- pure CP-even state:  $\alpha = 0^\circ$
- pure CP-odd state:  $\alpha = 90^\circ$

SM:  $\kappa_f = 1, \tilde{\kappa}_f = 0$ ; hence,  $\alpha = 0$

MSSM:  $\alpha \approx 0$

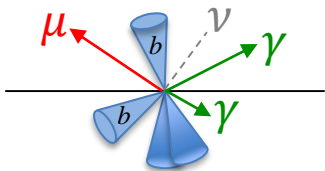
nMSSM:  $\alpha$  can be large

# Higgs CP-odd admixture: $ttH$

## Final states used:

$$pp \rightarrow ttH \rightarrow (jjb)(jjb)(\gamma\gamma) \text{ [all-hadronic]}$$

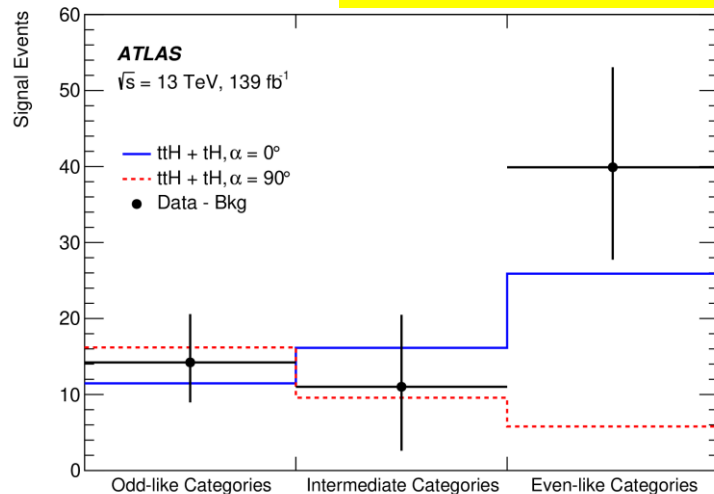
$$pp \rightarrow ttH \rightarrow (l\nu b)(jjb)(\gamma\gamma) \text{ [semi-leptonic]}$$



Building an analytic ME-based discriminant that would account for jet mis-measurements (plus missing neutrino in semi-leptonic channel is challenging...)

Instead, a BDT-based discriminant is built using CP-even and CP-odd MC models

background is subtracted



	CMS [Run 2] PRL 125 (2020) 061801 ( $\gamma\gamma$ ) CMS PAS HIG-21-006 (Mar 2022): $\gamma\gamma$ +ZZ+multip leptons	ATLAS [Run 2] PRL 125 (2020) 061802 ( $\gamma\gamma$ )
Purely CP-odd $H_{tt}$ coupling is disfavored at	<b><math>3.7\sigma</math></b>	<b><math>3.9\sigma</math></b>
95% CL limit on $\alpha$	$ \alpha  < 60^\circ$	$ \alpha  < 43^\circ$

# Higgs CP-odd admixture: $H\tau\tau$

**Final states used:**  $\tau_\mu\tau_h$  and  $\tau_h\tau_h$

$$\tau_\mu \rightarrow \mu^\pm \nu (17\%)$$

$$\tau_h \rightarrow \pi^\pm \nu (12\%)$$

$$\rightarrow \rho^\pm \nu \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \nu (26\%)$$

$$\rightarrow a_1^\pm \nu \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \pi^0 \nu (10\%)$$

$$\rightarrow a_1^\pm \nu \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^\pm \pi^\mp \nu (10\%)$$

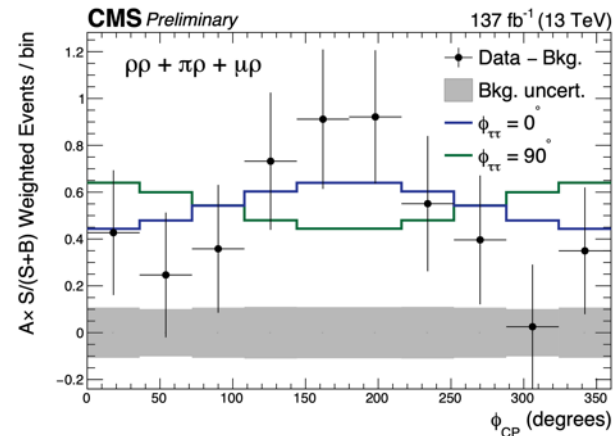
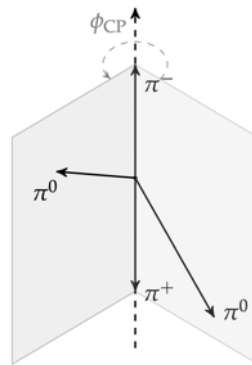
**Signal (H) vs Bkg BDT** enhances the signal VBF contribution with two forward-backward jets

Building a ME-based discriminants that would account for jet mis-measurements and missing neutrinos is possible, but challenging...

Distributions of angles between planes set by observable particles from decaying tau leptons ( $\phi_{CP}$ ) are sensitive to CP-admixture phase  $\alpha$

$\phi_{CP}$  angle for

$$H \rightarrow \tau_h \tau_h \rightarrow (\rho^+ \nu)(\rho^- \nu) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 \pi^- \pi^0 \nu \nu$$



Pure CP-odd  $H\tau\tau$  coupling is disfavored at **3.2 $\sigma$**   
 95% CL limit on  $\alpha$ :  $|\alpha| < 36^\circ$

# Looking for explicitly abnormal decay/production modes of the H125 boson

# Search for CLFV decays: $H \rightarrow \mu\tau$

CMS: PRD 104 (2021) 032013 [Run 2]

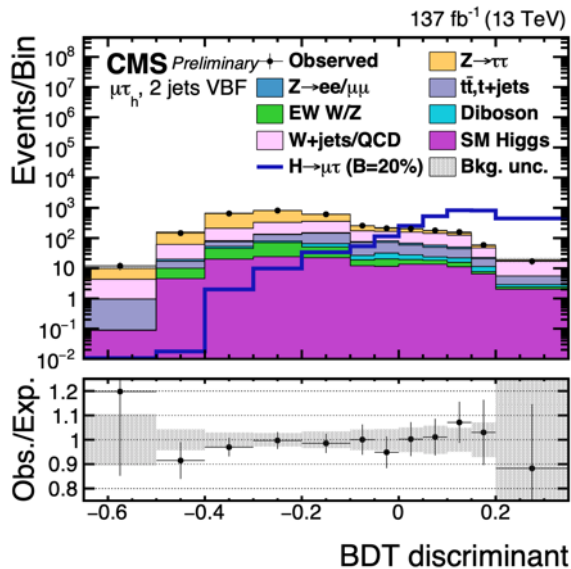
Channels used:  $\mu\tau_h$ ,  $\mu\tau_e$

Very similar to the “nominal”  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  analysis, except that *muons*

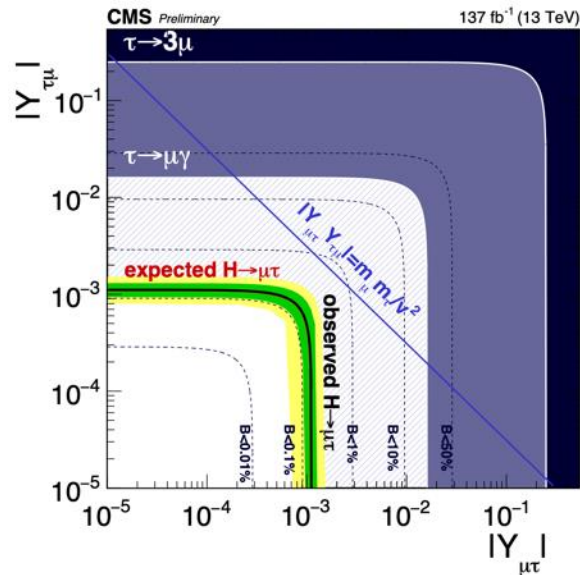
- are prompt
- tend to have larger momenta

BDT is used to separate signal from non-Higgs bkg and  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

$$B(H \rightarrow \mu\tau) < 0.15\%$$



most sensitive final state in  
 $H \rightarrow \mu\tau$  search:  $\mu\tau_h$  + 2-jet VBF tag

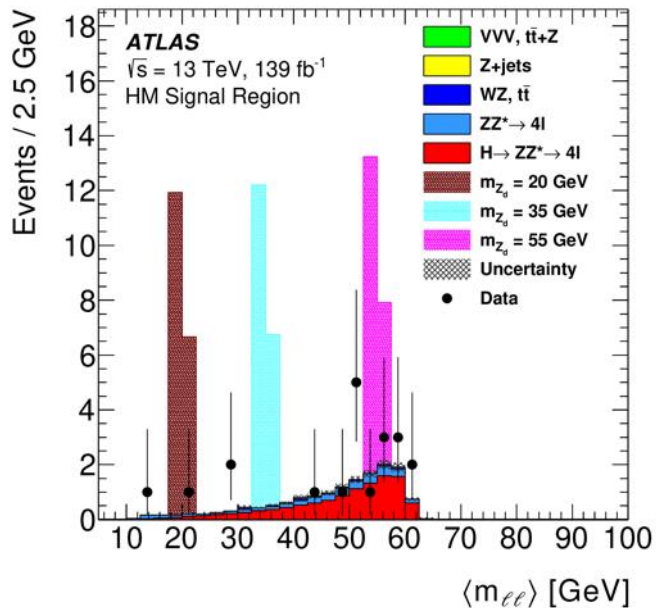
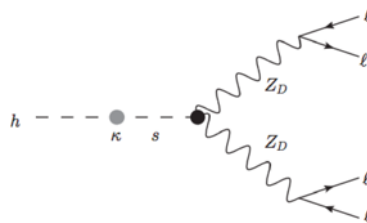


Limits on off-diagonal  
Yukawa couplings  $Y_{\mu\tau}$

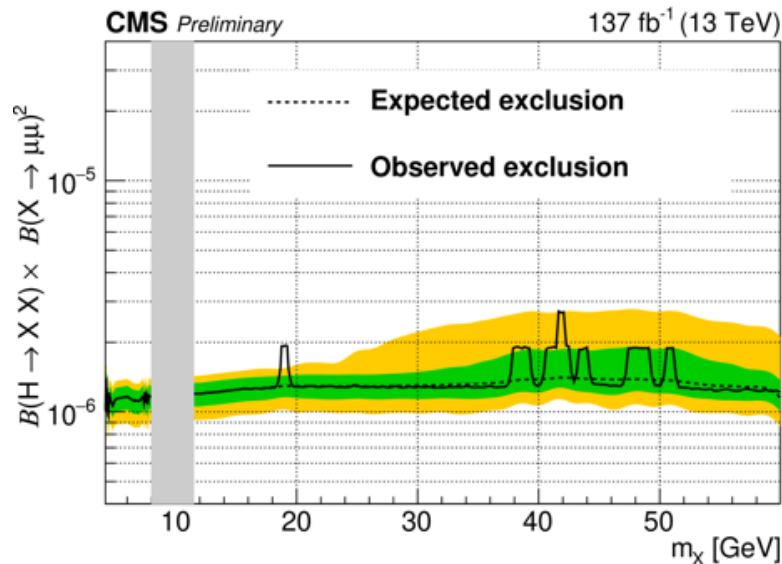
# Search for $H_{125} \rightarrow XX \rightarrow (\ell\ell)(\ell\ell)$

CMS: arXiv:2111.01299 [Run 2]  
 ATLAS: arXiv:2110.13673 [Run 2]

## Search for low-mass dilepton resonances in H125 decays



model independent limits on  $\sigma \times \mathcal{B}$



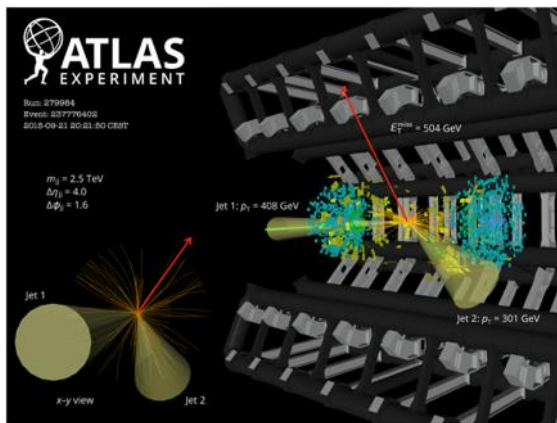
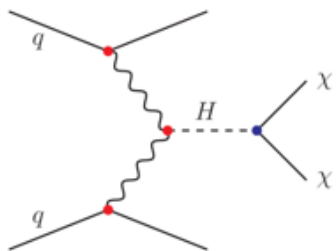
# Search for $H_{125} \rightarrow$ invisible

ATLAS: arxiv 2202.07953 [Run 2]

CMS: arxiv 2201.11585 [Run 2]

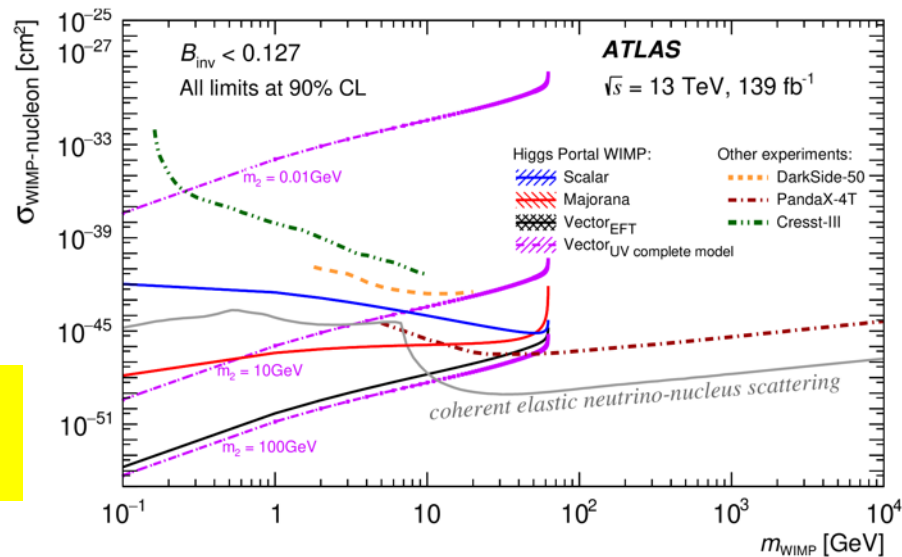
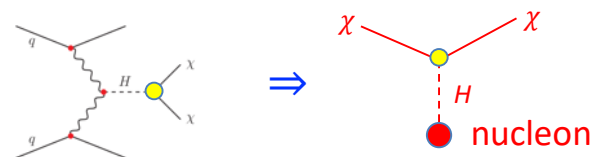
In SM:  $B(H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\nu) \sim 0.001$

## VBF jets + MET



reinterpretation

$$B(H \rightarrow \chi\chi) \Rightarrow \chi\text{-nucleon } \sigma$$



ATLAS:  $B(H \rightarrow \text{inv}) < 0.15$  at 95% CL (expected 0.10)

CMS:  $B(H \rightarrow \text{inv}) < 0.18$  at 95% CL (expected 0.10)

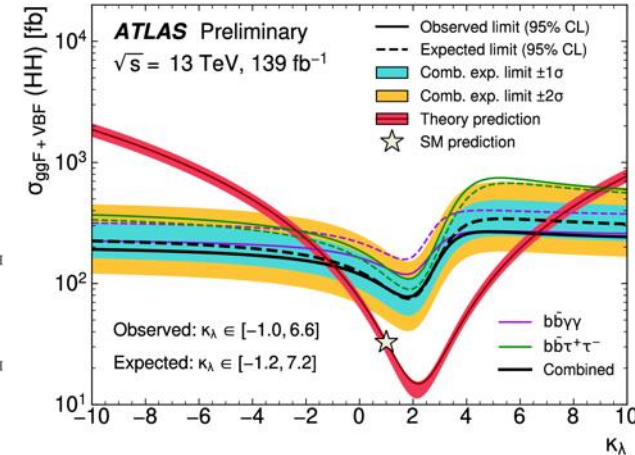
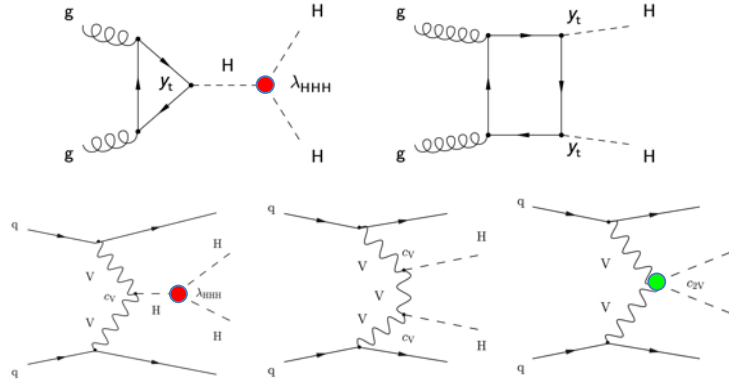
# Search for HH production (non-resonant)

## Decay modes:

- $HH \rightarrow (bb)(bb)$
- $HH \rightarrow (bb)(\gamma\gamma)$
- $HH \rightarrow (bb)(\tau\tau)$

## Production modes tags:

- VBF
- untagged (ggF)



## CMS

arXiv:[2202.09617](https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.09617) [Run 2]  
 JHEP 03 (2021) 257 [Run 2]

## ATLAS

arXiv:[2112.11876](https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.11876) [Run 2]  
 JHEP 07 (2020) 108 [Run 2]  
 ATLAS-CONF-[2021-052](https://arxiv.org/abs/2021.052) [Run 2]

HH production signal strength (excluded at 95% CL)

3.9

3.1

**Higgs self-coupling** (allowed range at 95% CL)

$-2.3 < \kappa_\lambda < 9.4$

$-1.0 < \kappa_\lambda < 6.6$

**VVHH quartic coupling** (allowed range at 95% CL)

$-0.1 < \kappa_{2V} < 2.2$

$-0.4 < \kappa_{2V} < 2.6$