

Latest Higgs Physics results from the ATLAS experiment

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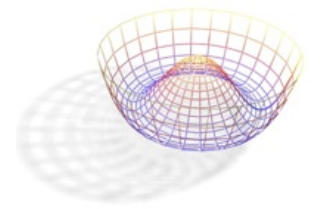
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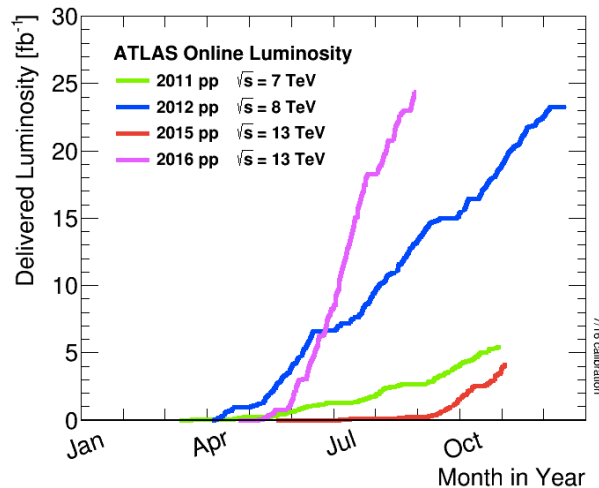
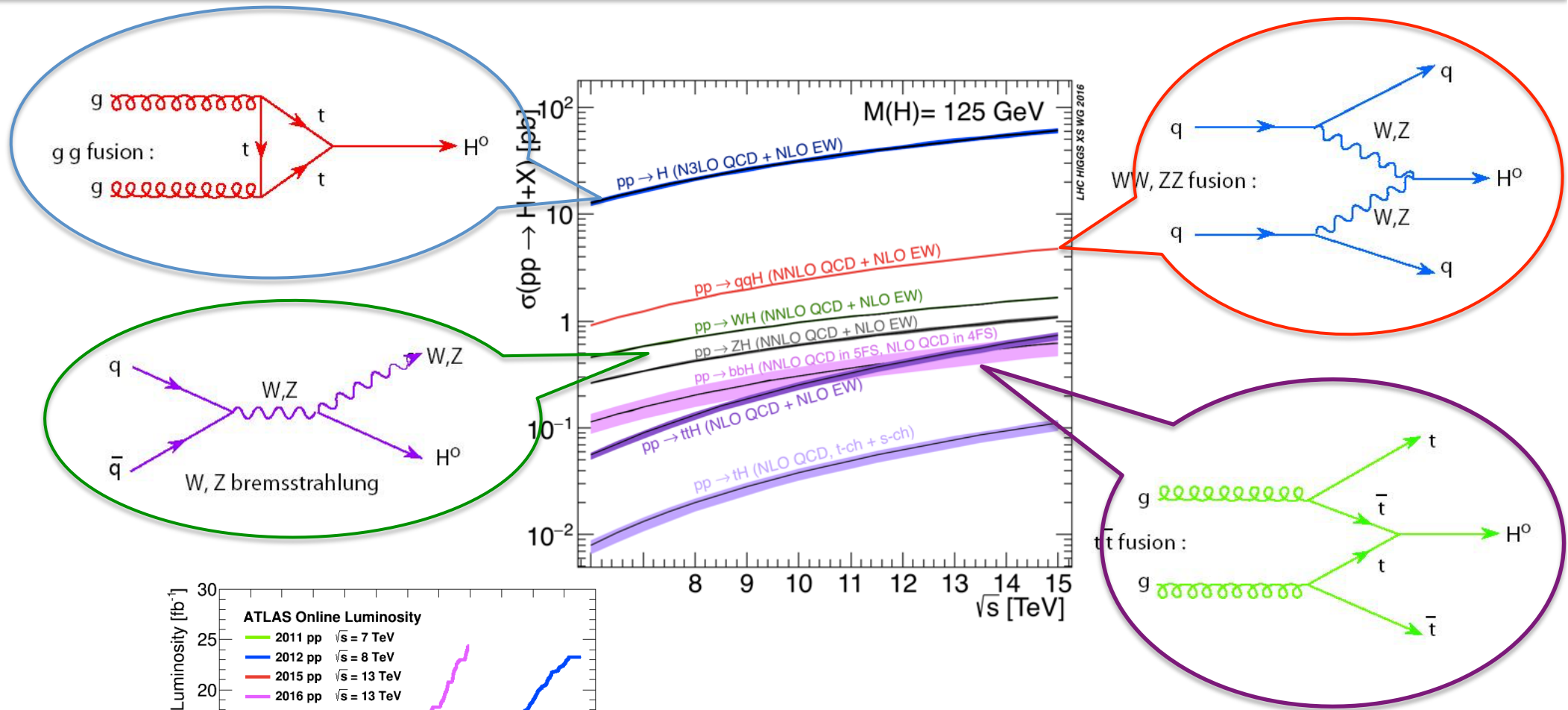
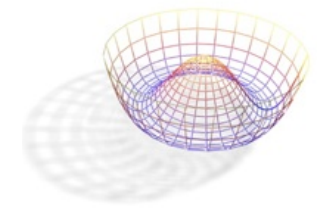


Overview



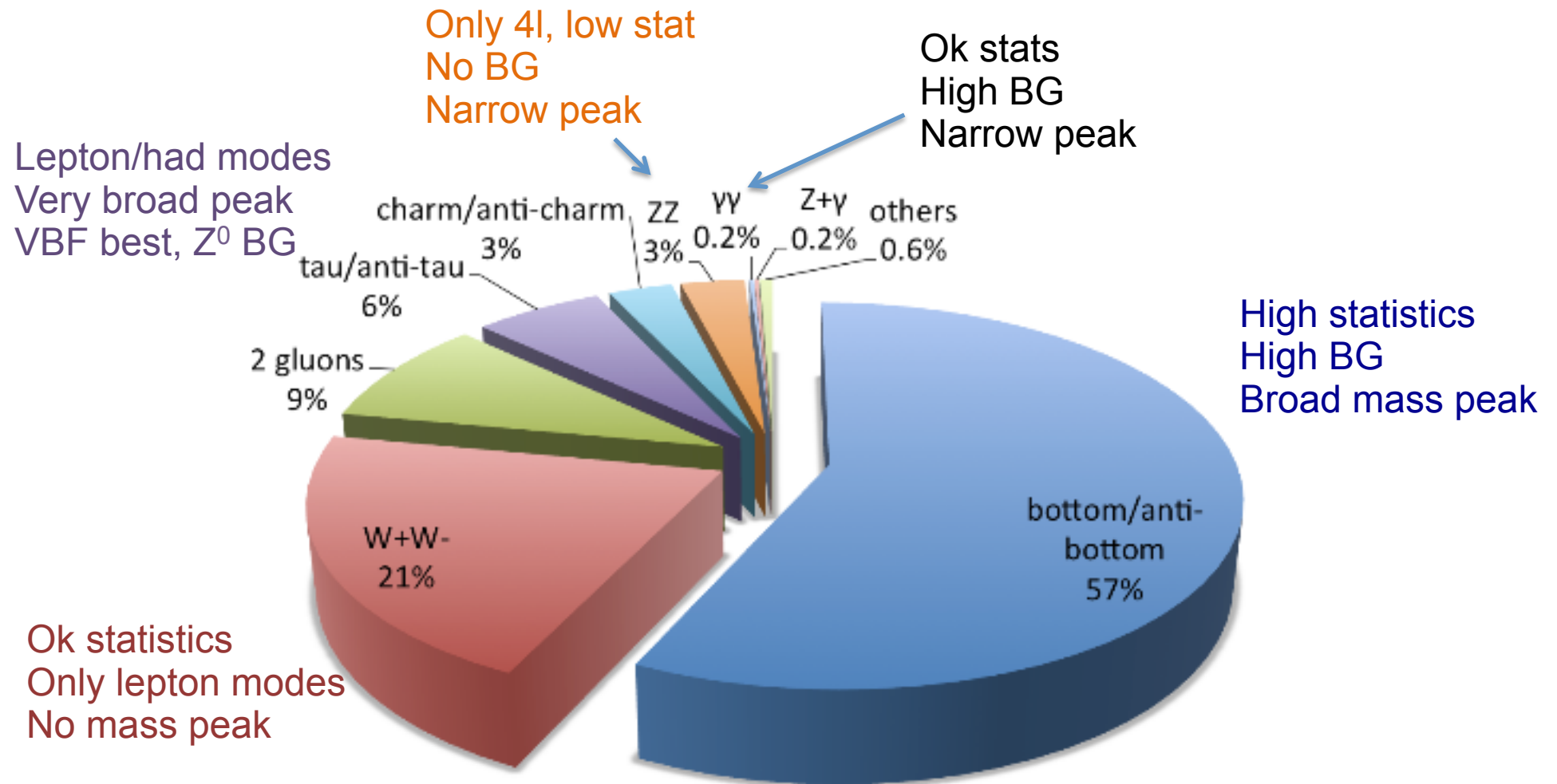
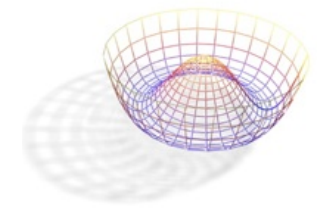
- Higgs at the LHC
- Run 1 highlights
- Higgs to bosons
- $t\bar{t}H$
- Higgs to $b\bar{b}$
- Rare decays
- Outlook and conclusions

Higgs production at the LHC

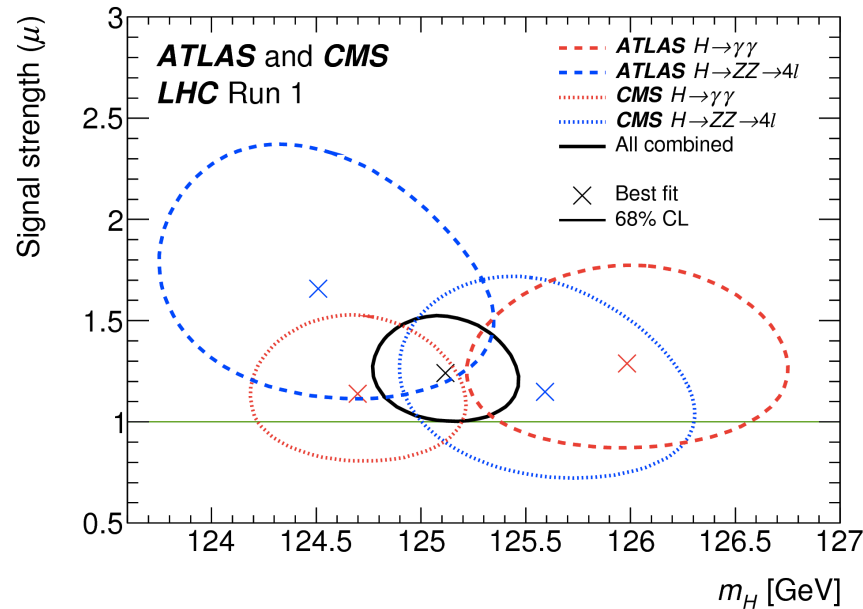
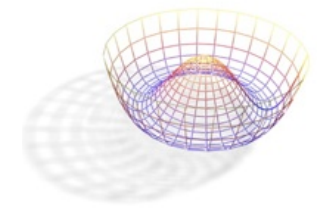


From 8 TeV to 13 TeV: factor 2 in σ except ttH: factor 4

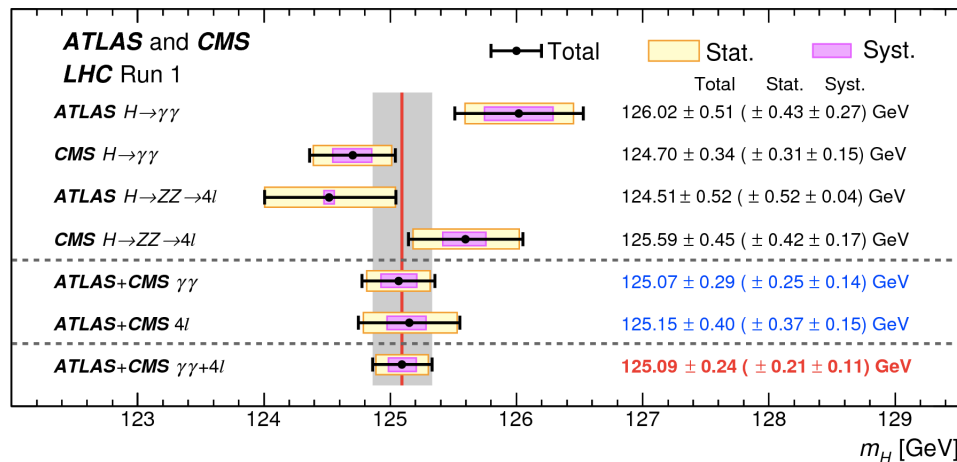
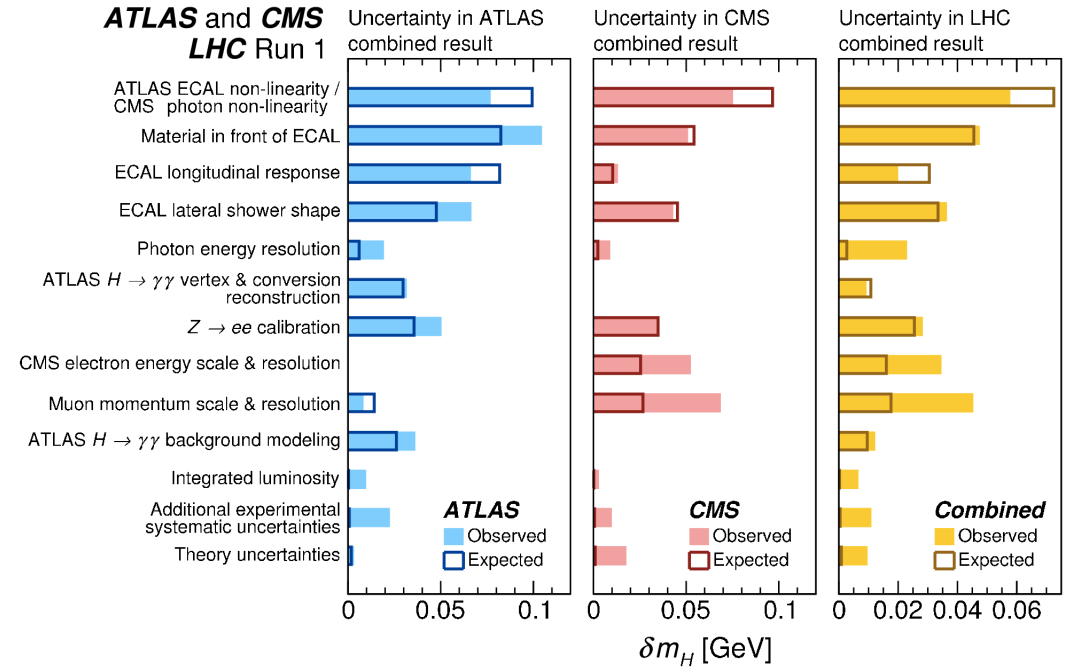
Higgs decays @ 125 GeV



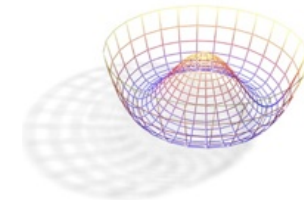
Run 1 - Higgs mass



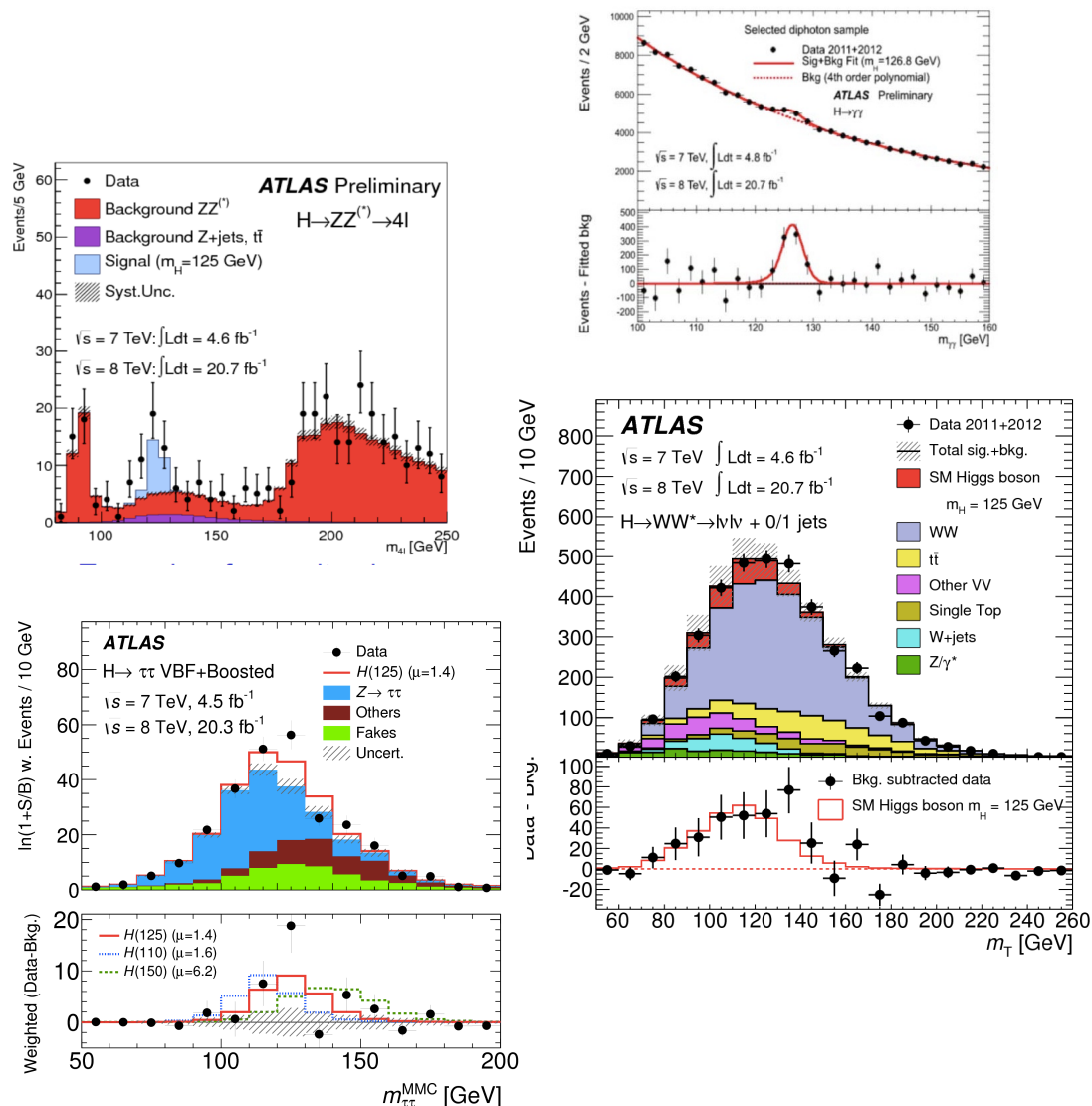
ATLAS and CMS LHC Run 1



- Use $\mu\mu$ and $\gamma\gamma$ only
- $M_H = 125.09 \pm 0.24$ GeV
- 0.2 % precision



Run 1 - Higgs discovery and couplings

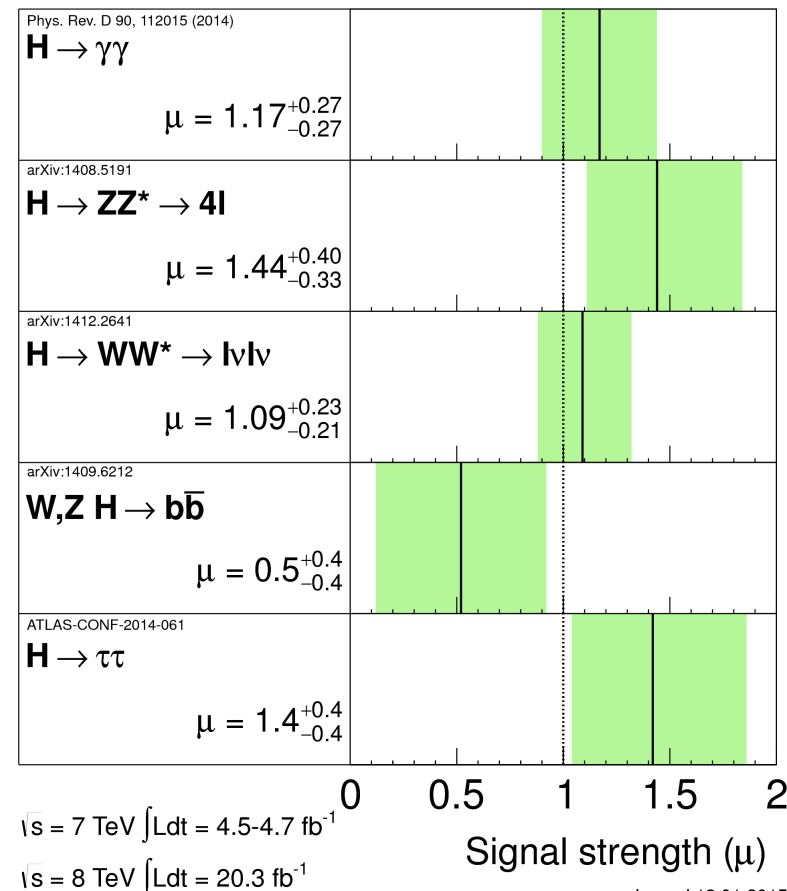


ATLAS Preliminary

$m_H = 125.36 \text{ GeV}$

Total uncertainty

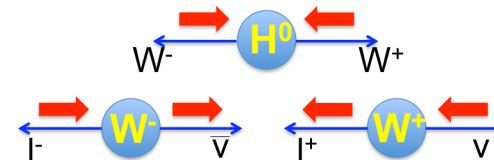
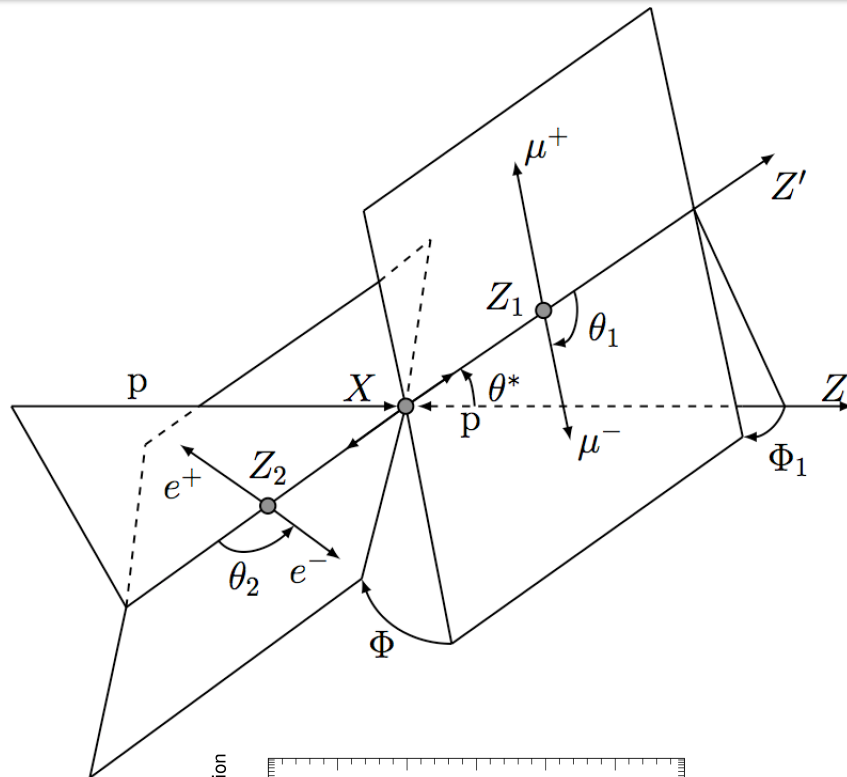
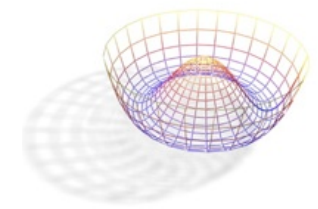
$\pm 1\sigma$ on μ



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$$\mu = \sigma / \sigma_{SM}$$

Run 1 - Spin and parity measurement



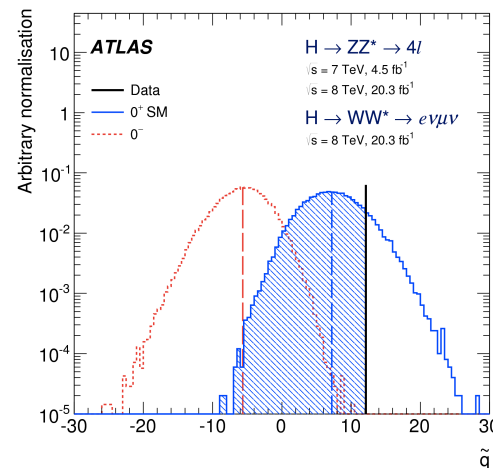
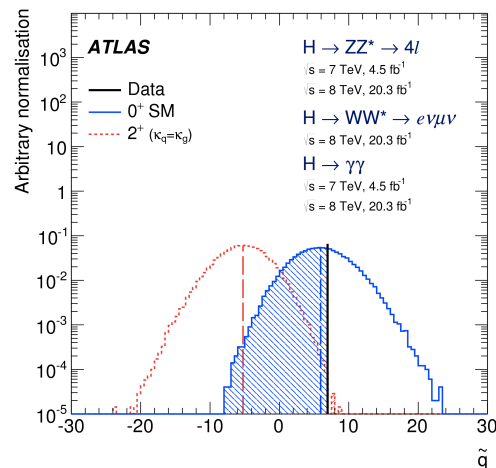
SM Higgs is spin 0 and positive parity

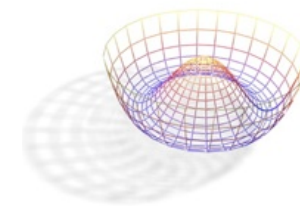
Decay angles are sensitive to the spin and parity of the Higgs boson

These are input to a multivariate analysis (BDT or NN)

Test SM hypothesis 0^+ against alternative

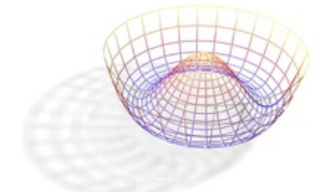
Clear preference for $0^+ \rightarrow$ It's a Higgs



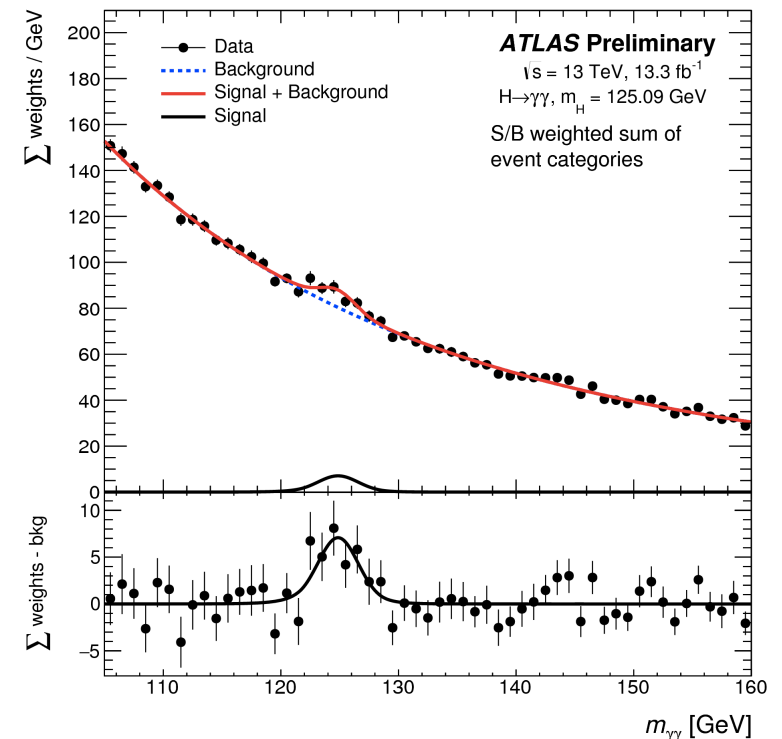
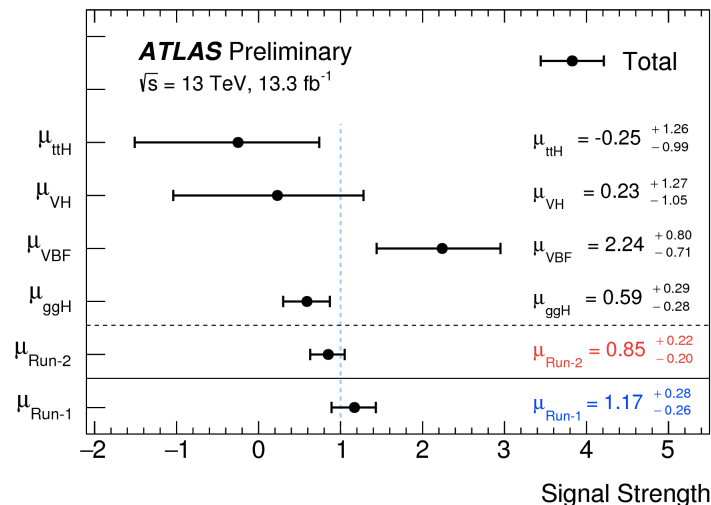


HIGGS TO BOSONS

$$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$



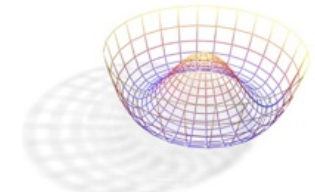
- Signature: 2 isolated photons, narrow peak, falling background
- Main BG: $\gamma\gamma$ and γ -jet
- All production modes included
- Fit to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ spectrum
- Dominant systematic: γ energy scale/resolution bg model



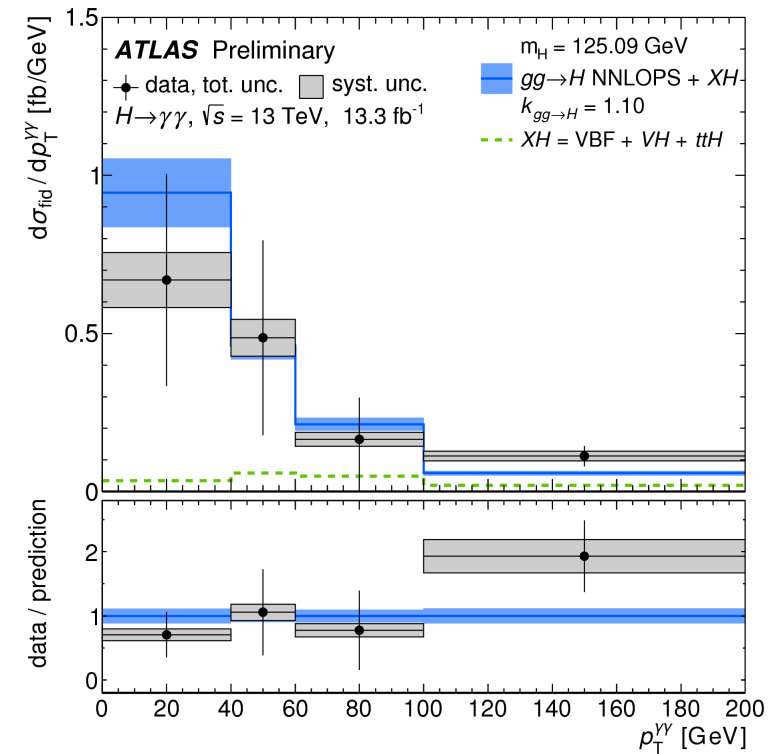
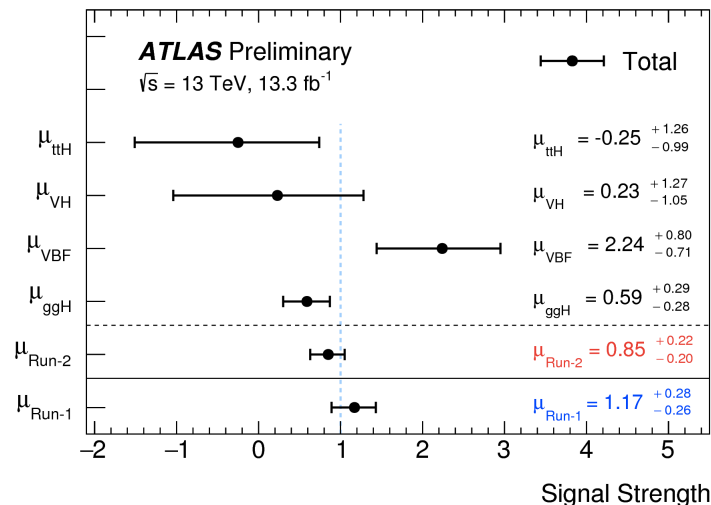
Precision run 2 already better than run 1
Fiducial Cross section:
 $\sigma = 43.2 \pm 14.9 \pm 4.9 \text{ fb}$

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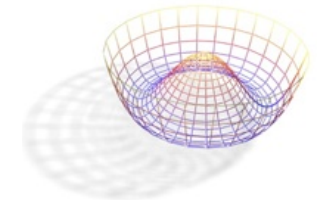
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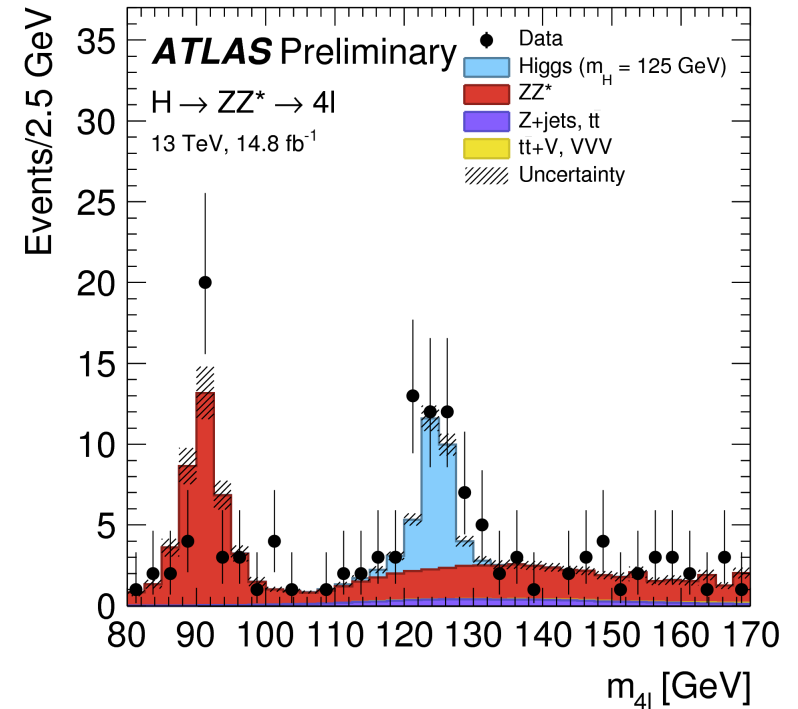
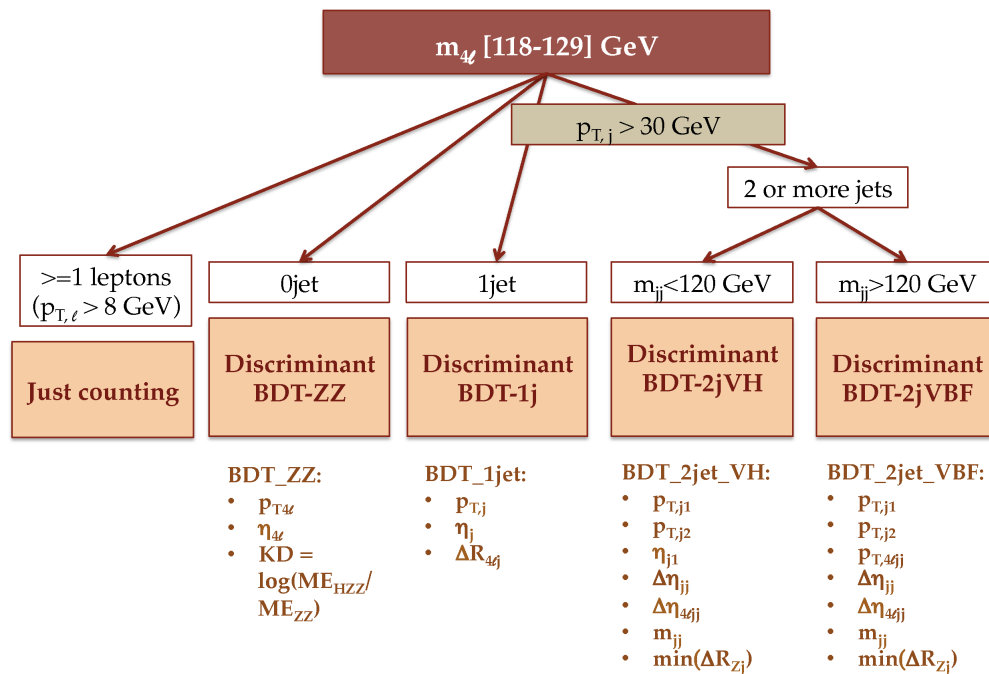
Differential distributions: $p_T, \eta, \# \text{jets}$
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$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$



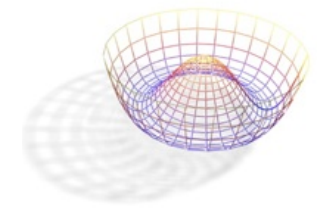
- Signature: 4 isolated leptons, narrow peak, flat background
- Main BG: ZZ
- All production modes included
- Fit to m_{4l} spectrum



Fiducial Cross section:
 $\sigma = 4.54^{+1.02}_{-0.90} \text{ fb}$

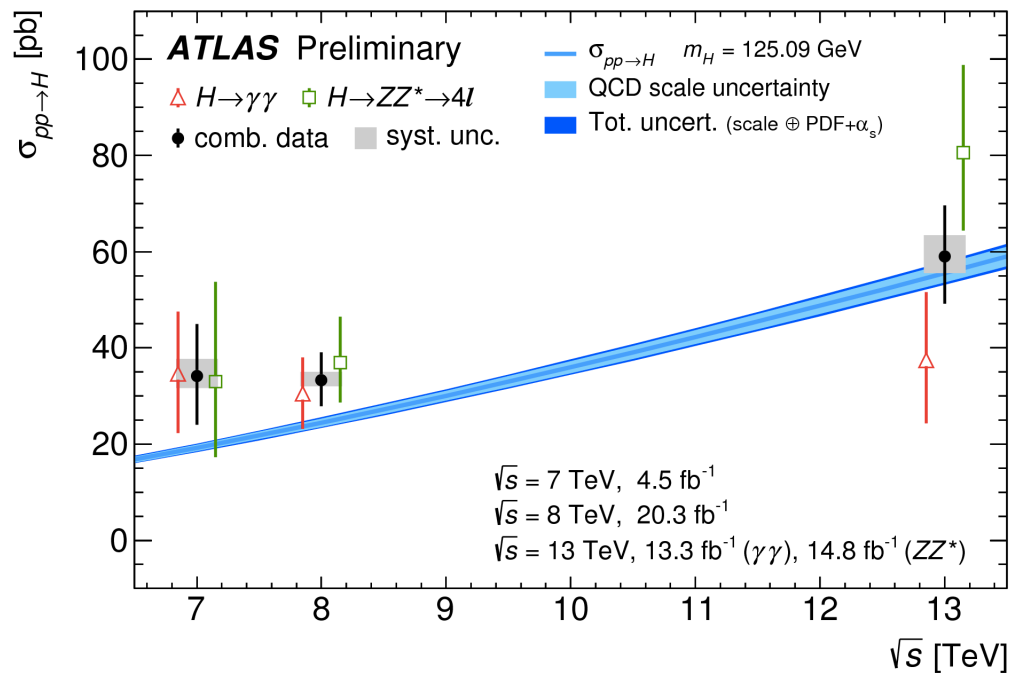
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H $\rightarrow\gamma\gamma$ and ZZ* combination



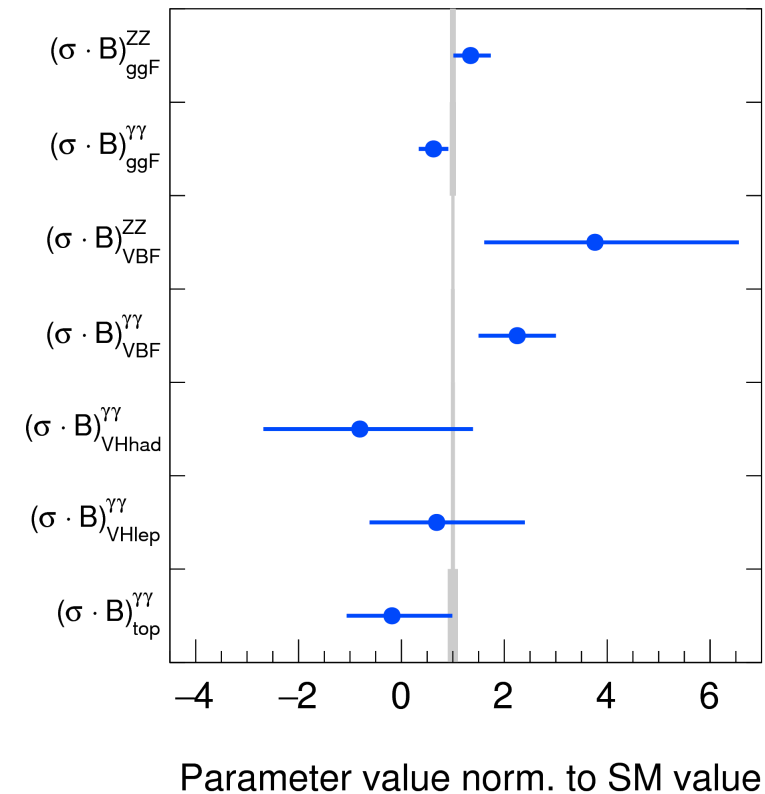
- Combine the inclusive samples
- 10 σ observation (8.6 σ exp)
- $\mu = 1.13^{+0.18}_{-0.17}$

Similar precision as run 1



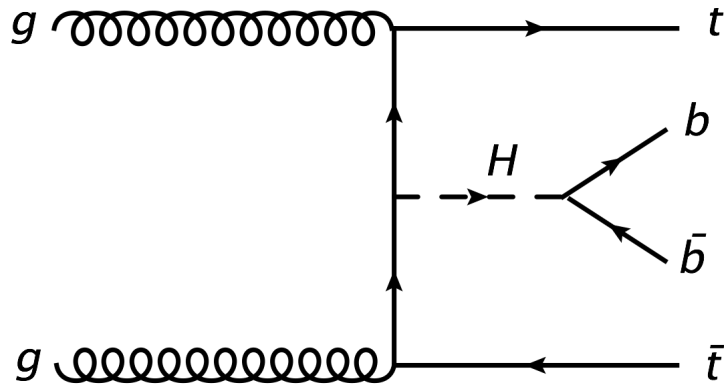
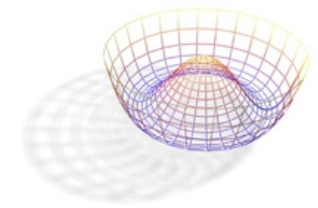
ATLAS Preliminary $m_H = 125.09$ GeV
 $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, 13.3 fb $^{-1}$ ($\gamma\gamma$), 14.8 fb $^{-1}$ (ZZ)

● Observed 68% CL $\blacksquare$ SM Prediction

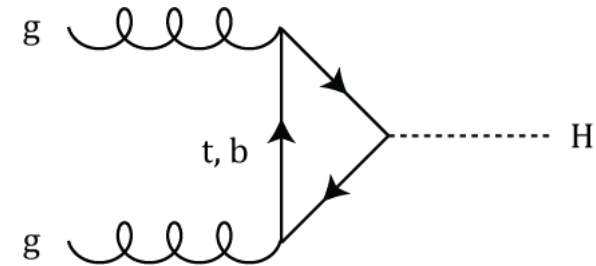


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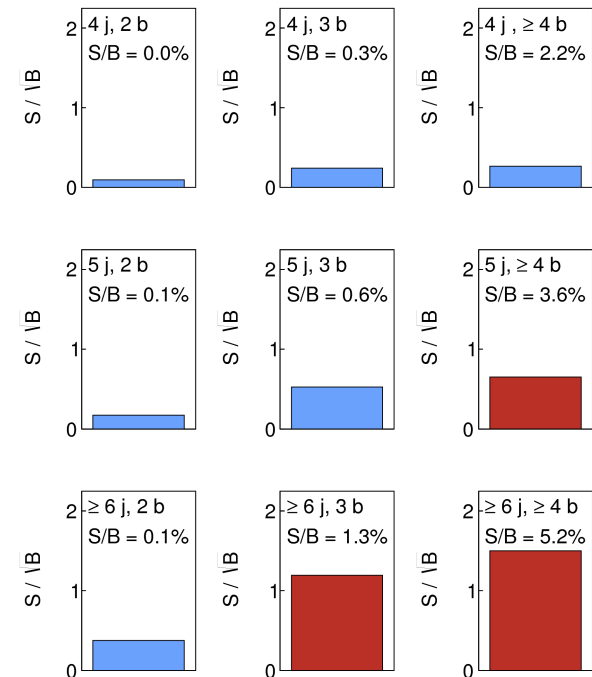
$t\bar{t}H$ ($H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$)



VS



ATLAS Simulation Preliminary
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Single Lepton

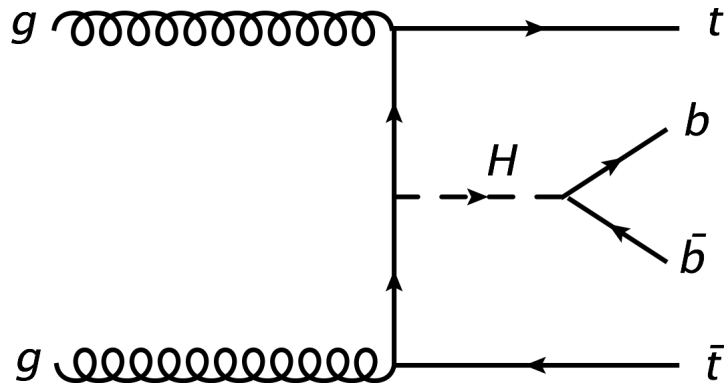
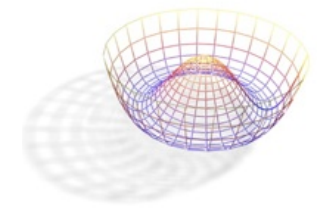


Motivation: direct probe of $t\bar{t}H$ Yukawa coupling

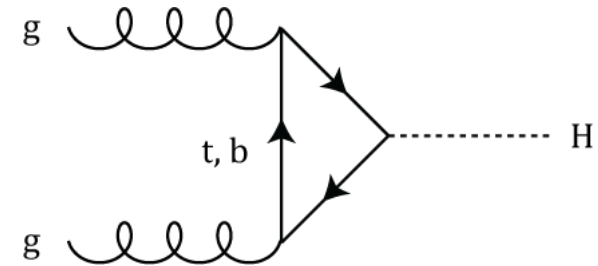
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- High BR $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$, 58%
- 4b jet final state, 1 lepton + 2 or 2 leptons
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- Use multivariate techniques to boost S/B
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$t\bar{t}H$ ($H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$)



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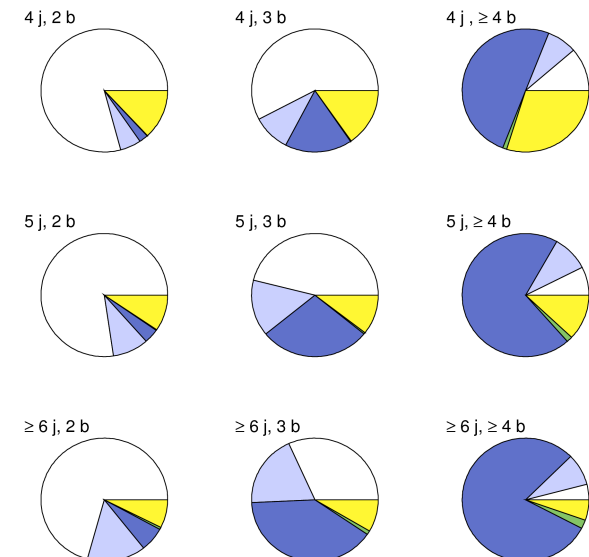


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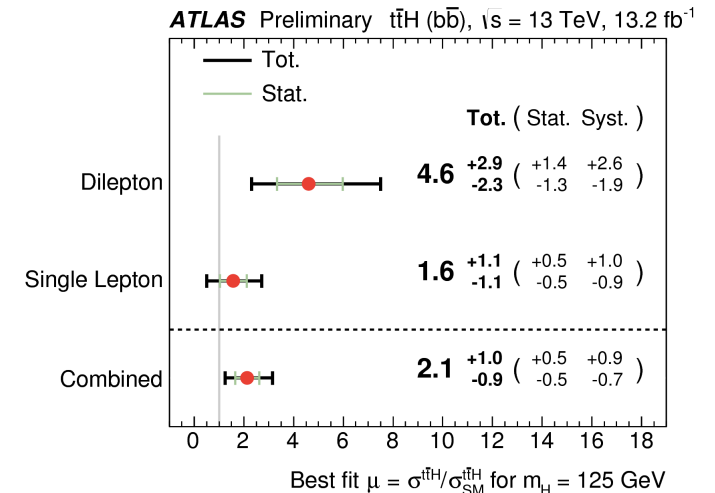
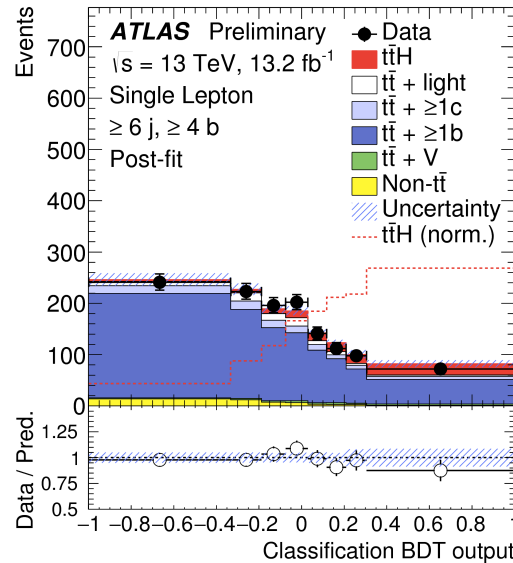
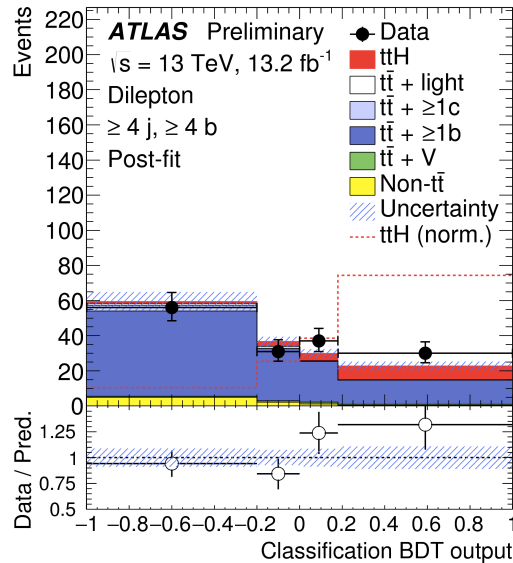
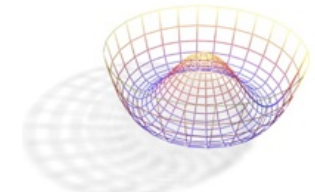
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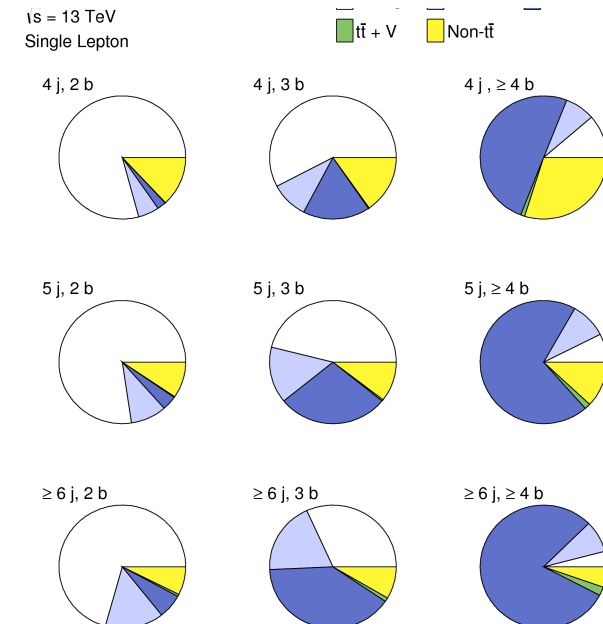
ttH (H → bb)



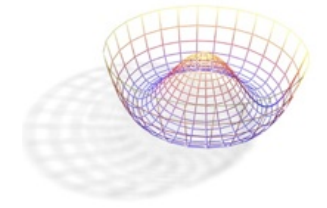
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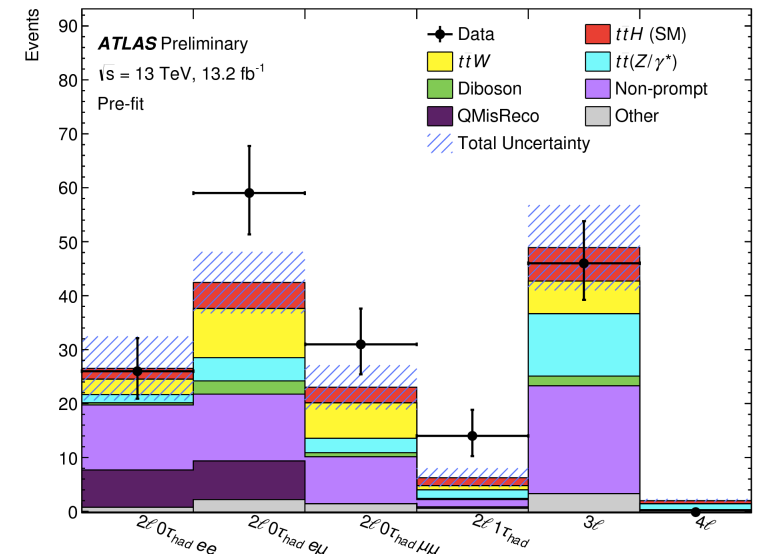
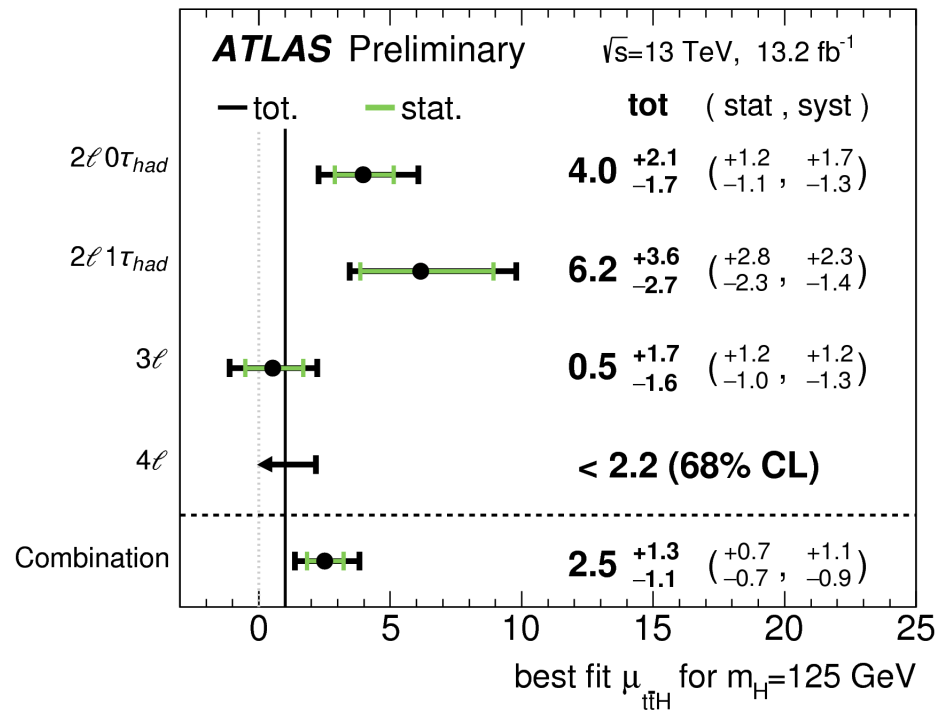
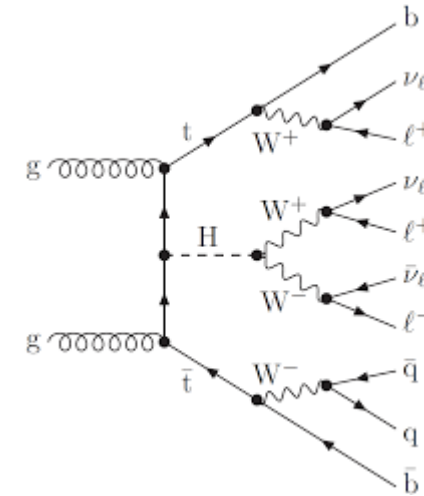


ttH multilepton

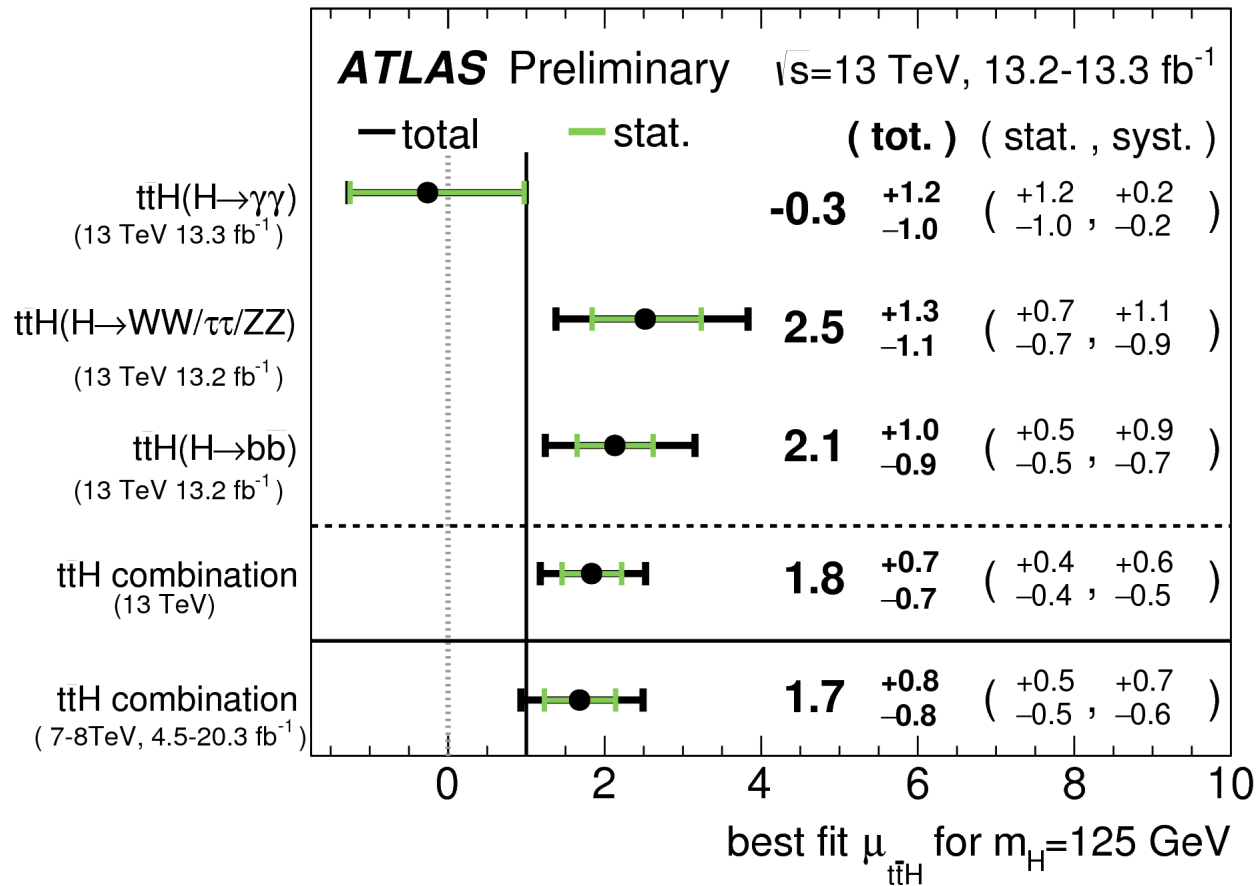
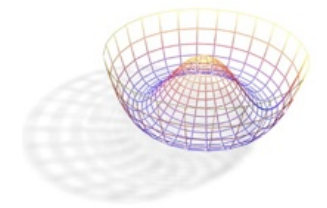


Strategy:

- Benefits from 13 TeV
- Clean signature, low BG
- 2 jet final state, 1-2b, 2-4 leptons, 0-1 τ
- Upper limit 95% C:L $\mu < 4.9$ (2.3 exp)



ttH combination

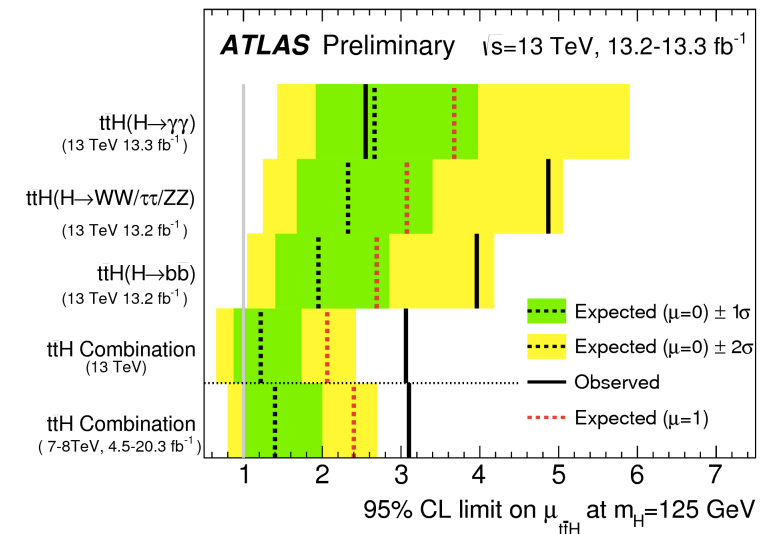


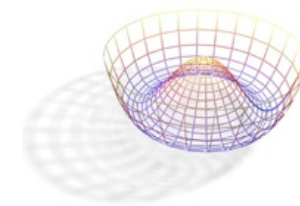
Significance:

Run 2: $\sigma = 2.8$ (1.8 exp)

Run 1: exp $\sigma = 1.5$

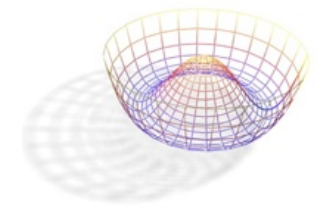
Already more sensitive





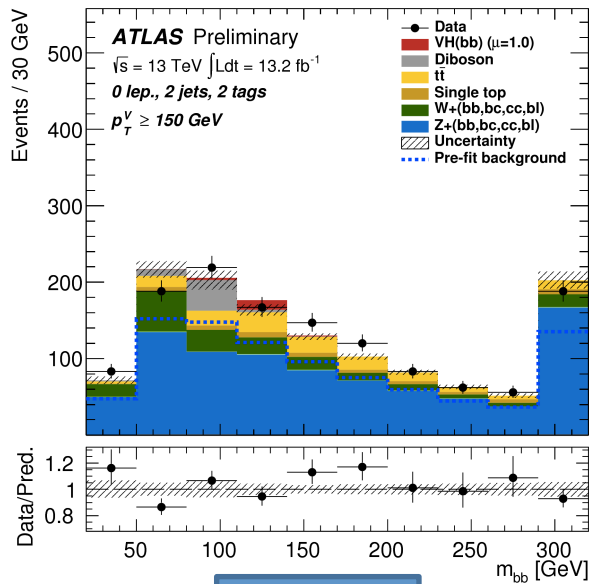
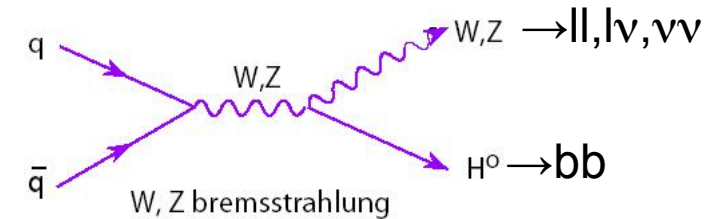
HIGGS TO BB

VH ($H \rightarrow bb$)

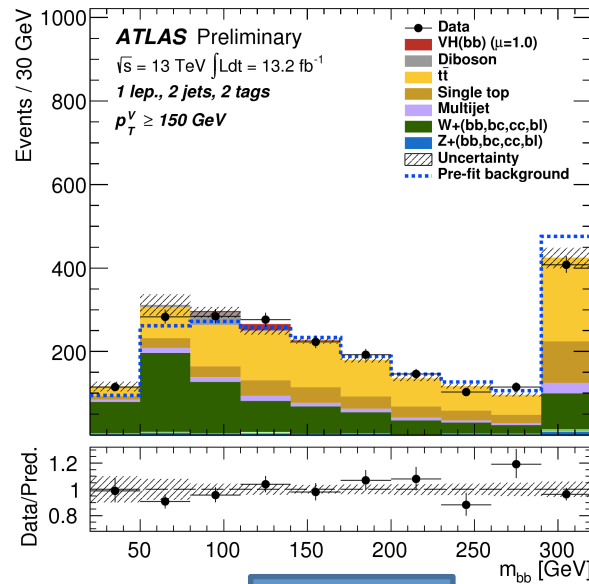


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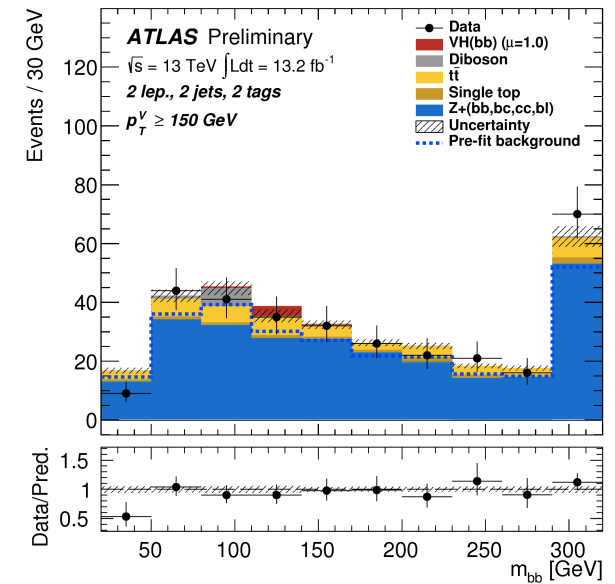
- High BR $H \rightarrow bb$
- Use lepton(s) from Z, W (or missing E_t for $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$)
- Use multivariate techniques for good S/B
- Dominant backgrounds $t\bar{t}$ and $Z+b$
- Best discrimination from m_{bb} and ΔR_{bb}



0 lepton

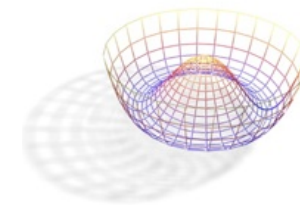


1 lepton



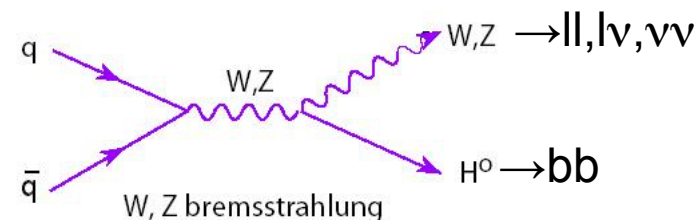
2 leptons

VH ($H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$)

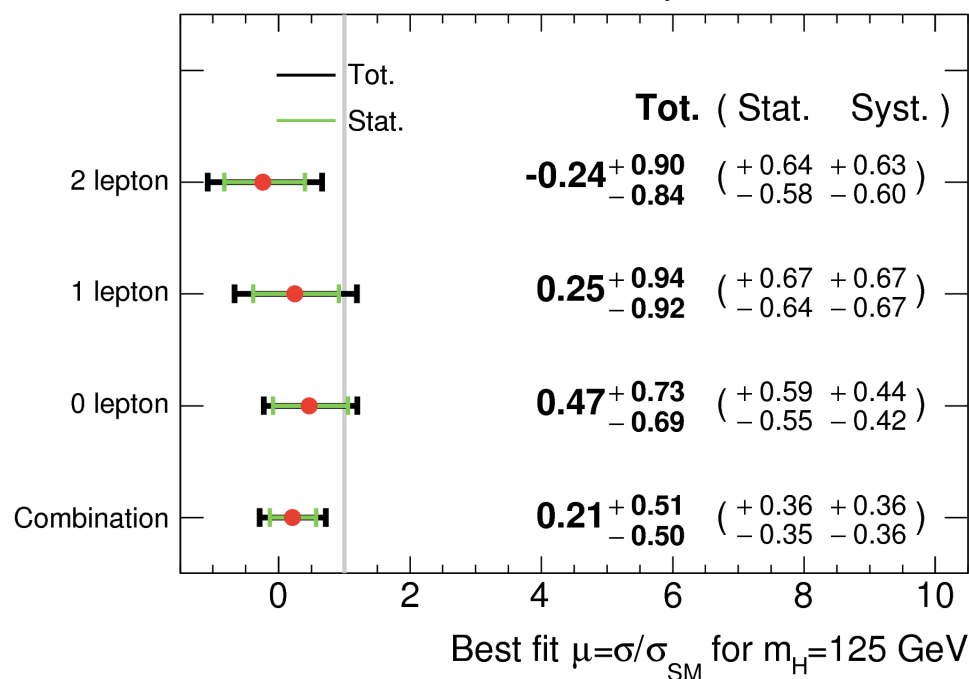


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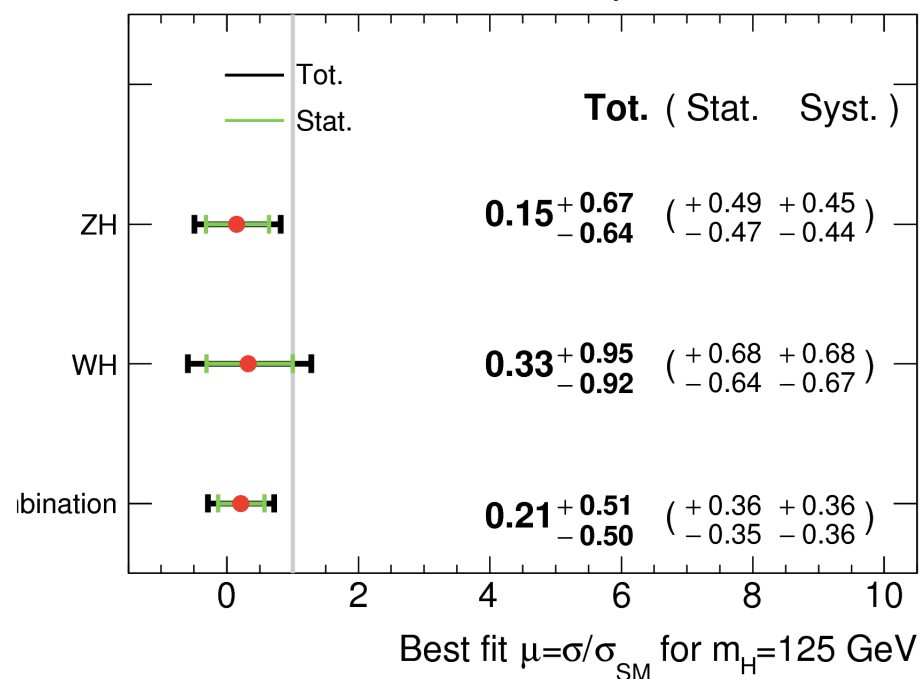
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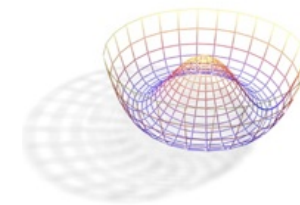
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VBF ($H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$)



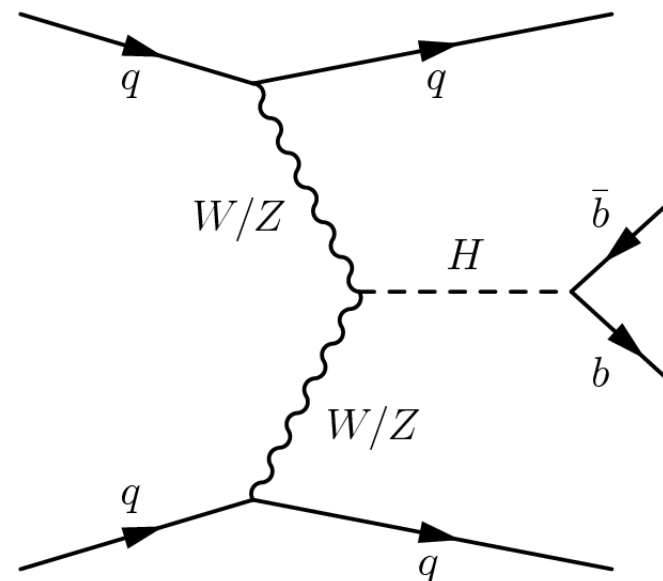
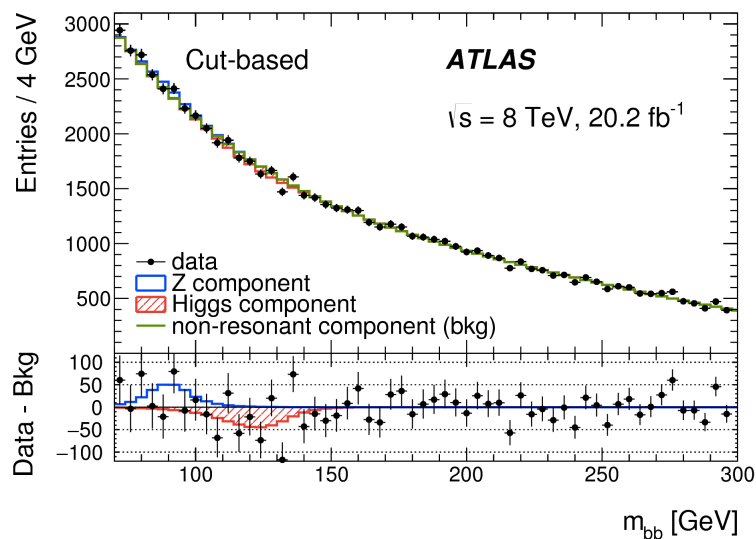
Strategy:

- High BR $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Use forward tagging jets and rapidity gap
- Use BDT to improve S/B (still poor)
- Dominant backgrounds QCD, $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Fit to $m_{b\bar{b}}$

Result:

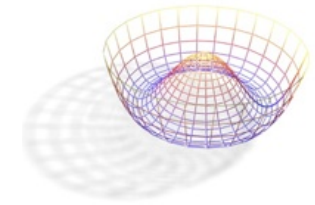
$$\mu = -0.8 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.8$$

$$\text{Limit: } \mu = 4.4 \text{ @95\%CL}$$



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VBF ($H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$) + γ

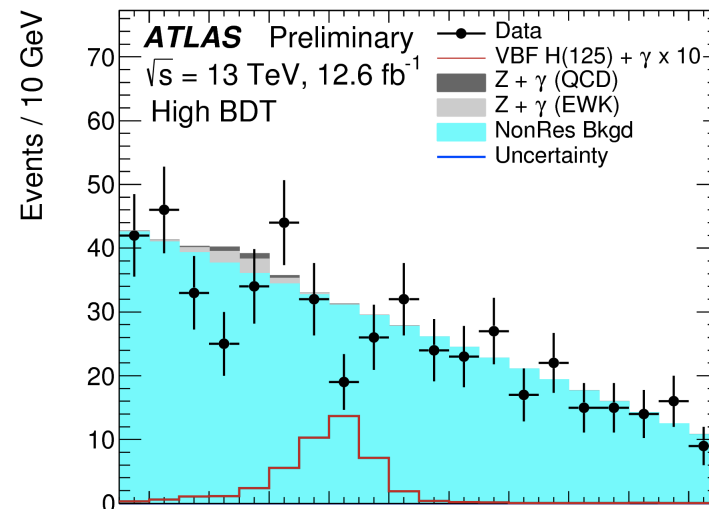
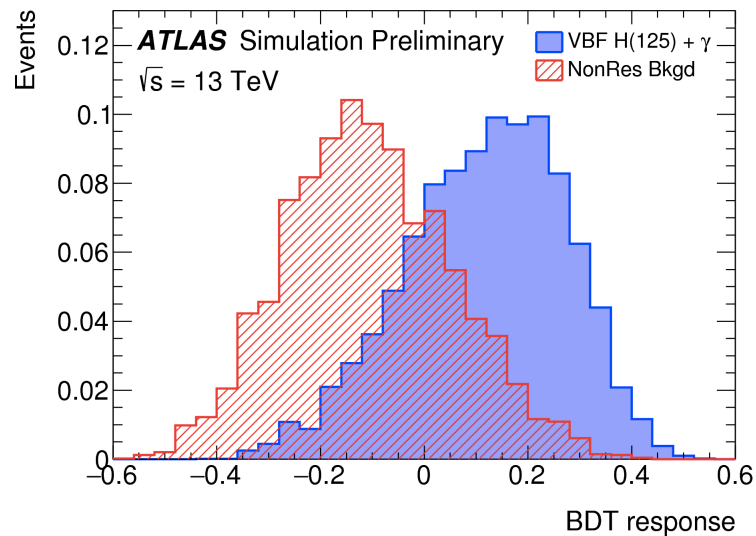
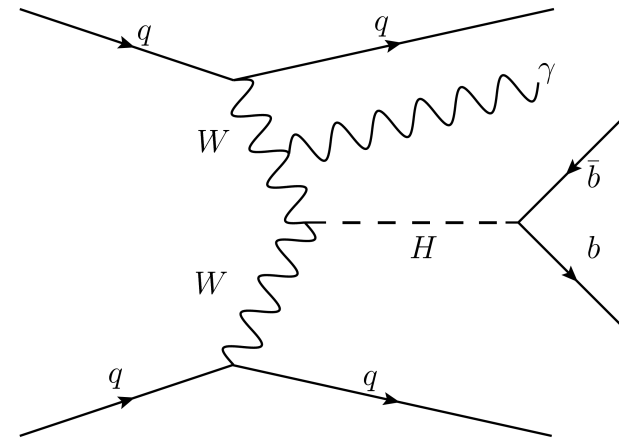


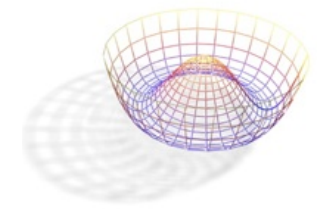
Strategy:

- High BR $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$,
- Use forward tagging jets and rapidity gap
- Clean-up with photon
- Use BDT to improve S/B
- Fit to $m_{b\bar{b}}$ in BDT bins

Result:

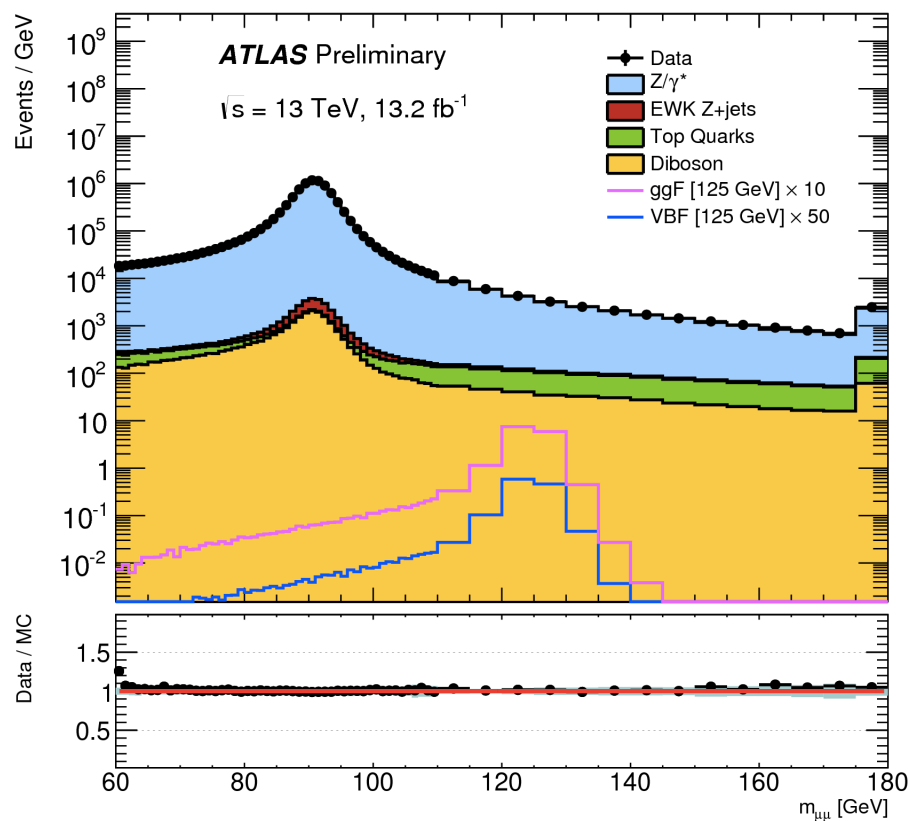
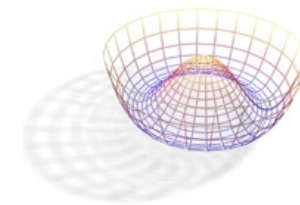
Limit: $\mu = 4.0$ @95%CL (fit
Cross check with $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b} + \gamma$





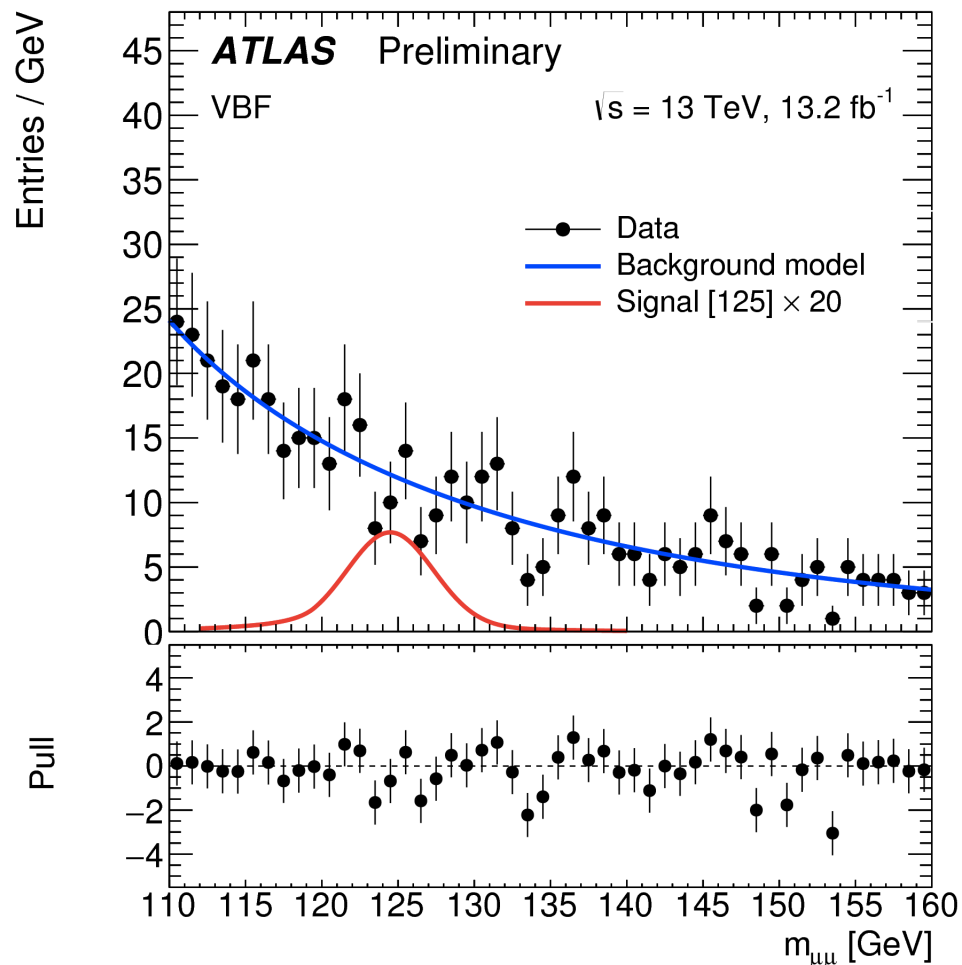
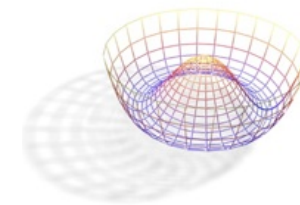
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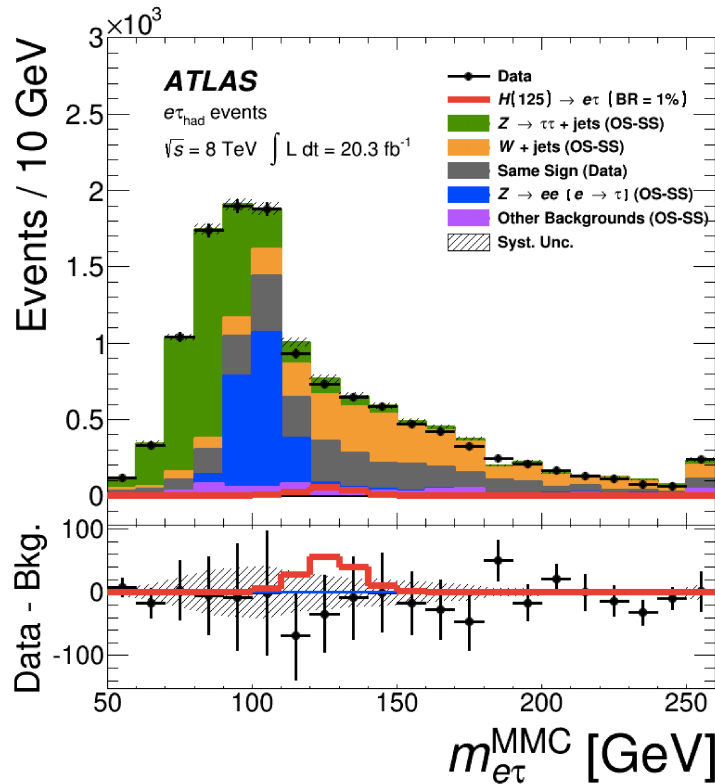
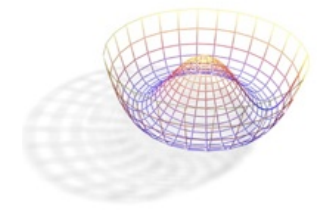
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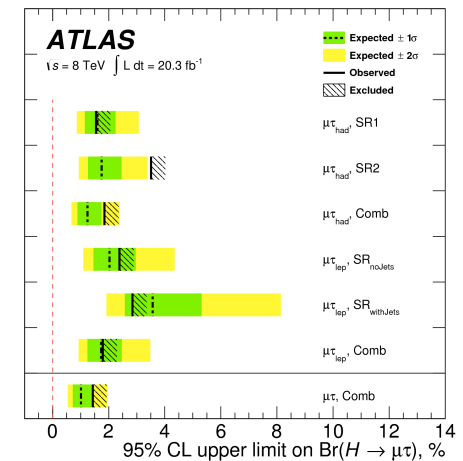
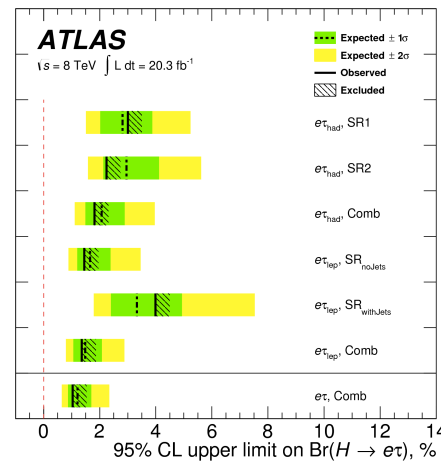
	95% CL limit x SM (expected)
Run 1	7.1 (7.2)
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Lepton Flavor Violating Higgs

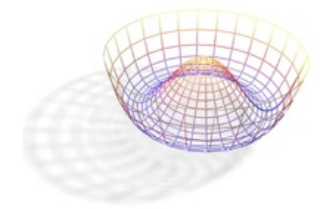


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- Look for $H \rightarrow \mu\tau$ and $H \rightarrow e\tau$
- Small excess seen by CMS in run 1
- Calculate invariant mass with MMC
- Main BG $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$
- 95 % CL Limits:
 - $H \rightarrow e\tau$: 1%
 - $H \rightarrow \mu\tau$: 1.4%



Outlook and conclusions



- Run 2 made an impressive start
- Higgs sample matching or exceeding run 1 already
- Many results, many more to come
 - Look for WW and $\tau\tau$ updates
 - Differential distributions
 - Higgs as a probe
 - CP studies
 - End 2016 2-6 x Run 1 Higgs sample, end 2018 8-20x

Higgs physics is becoming precision Standard Model physics