

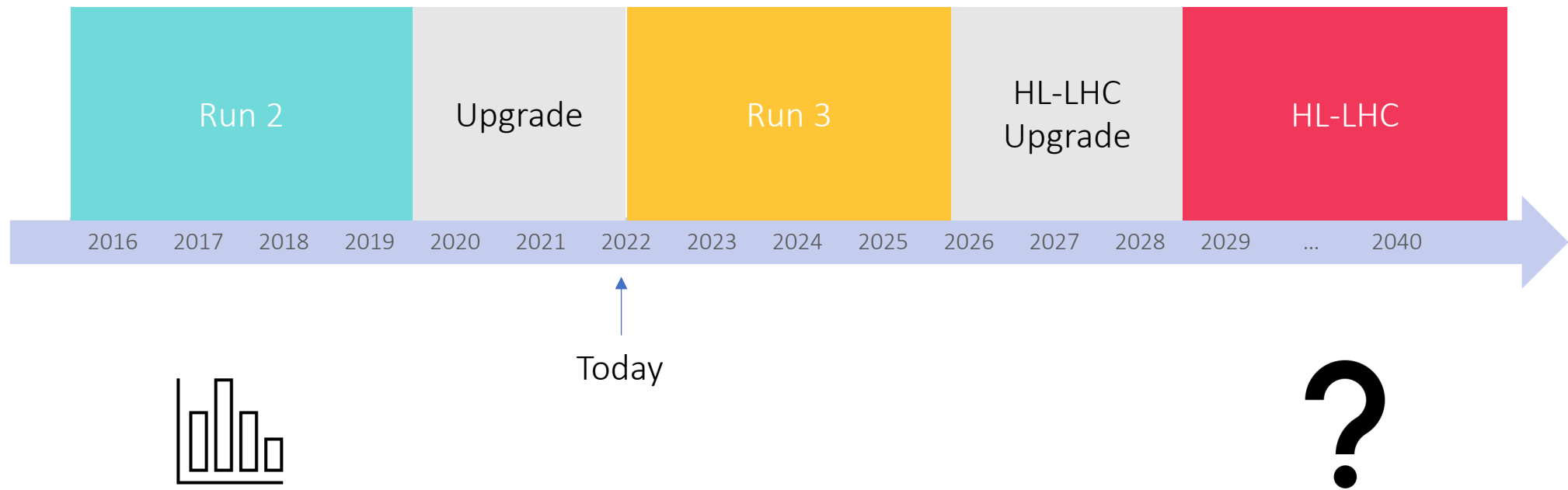
# HL-LHC Expected Physics Reach with ATLAS

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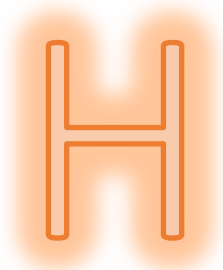
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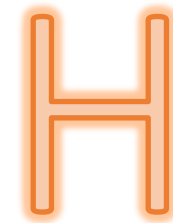
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HL-LHC will bring the Higgs into focus

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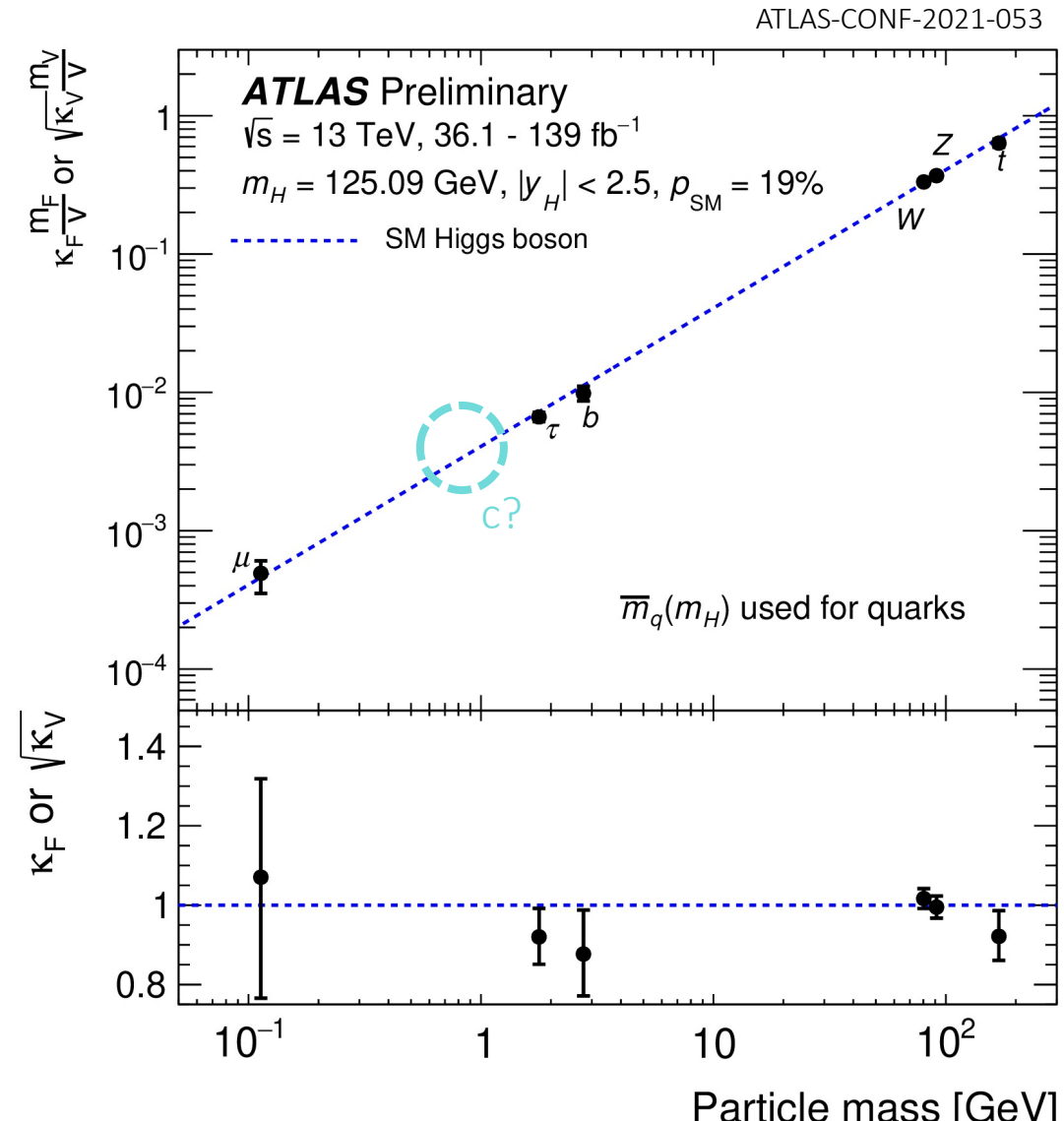
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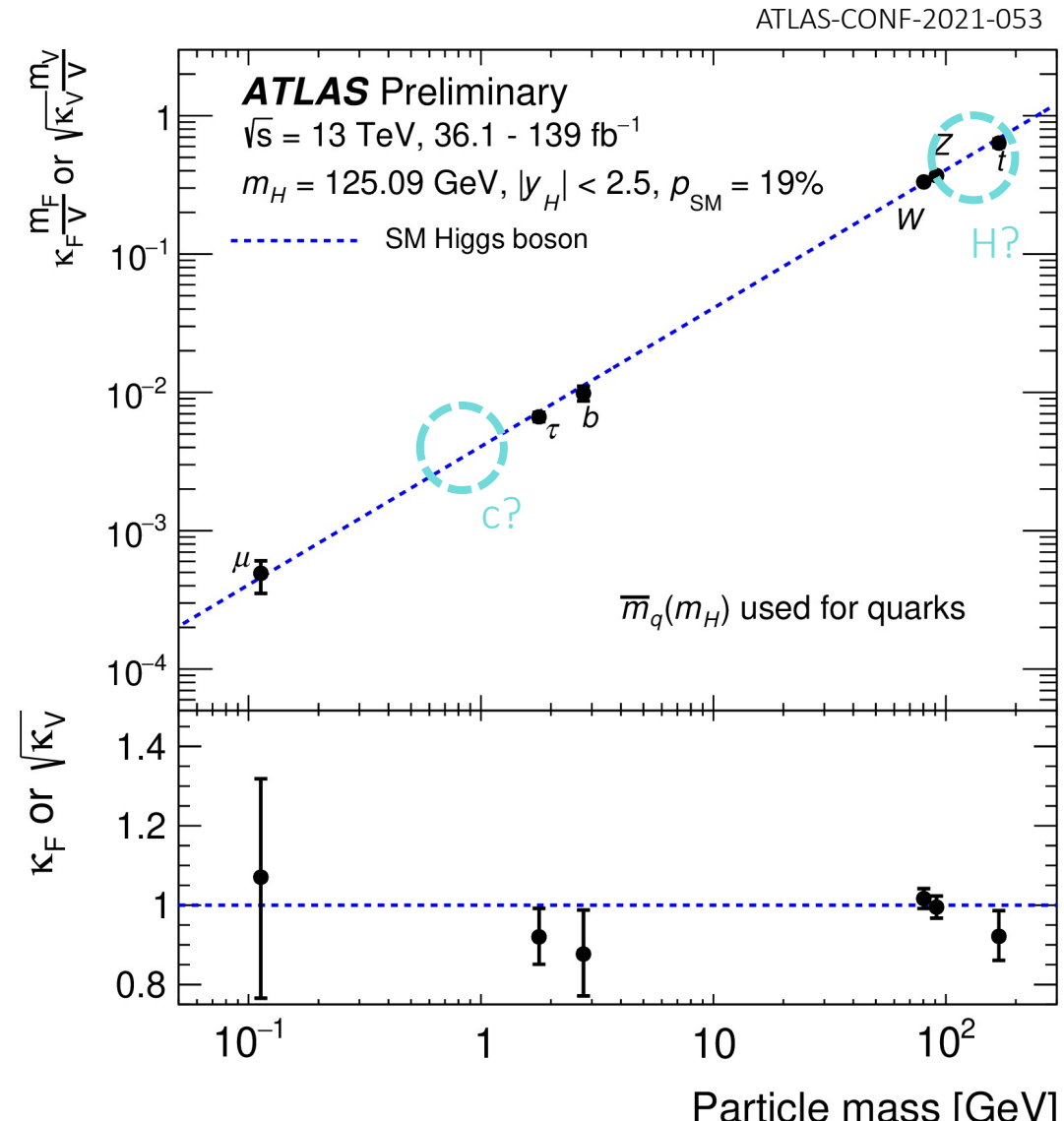
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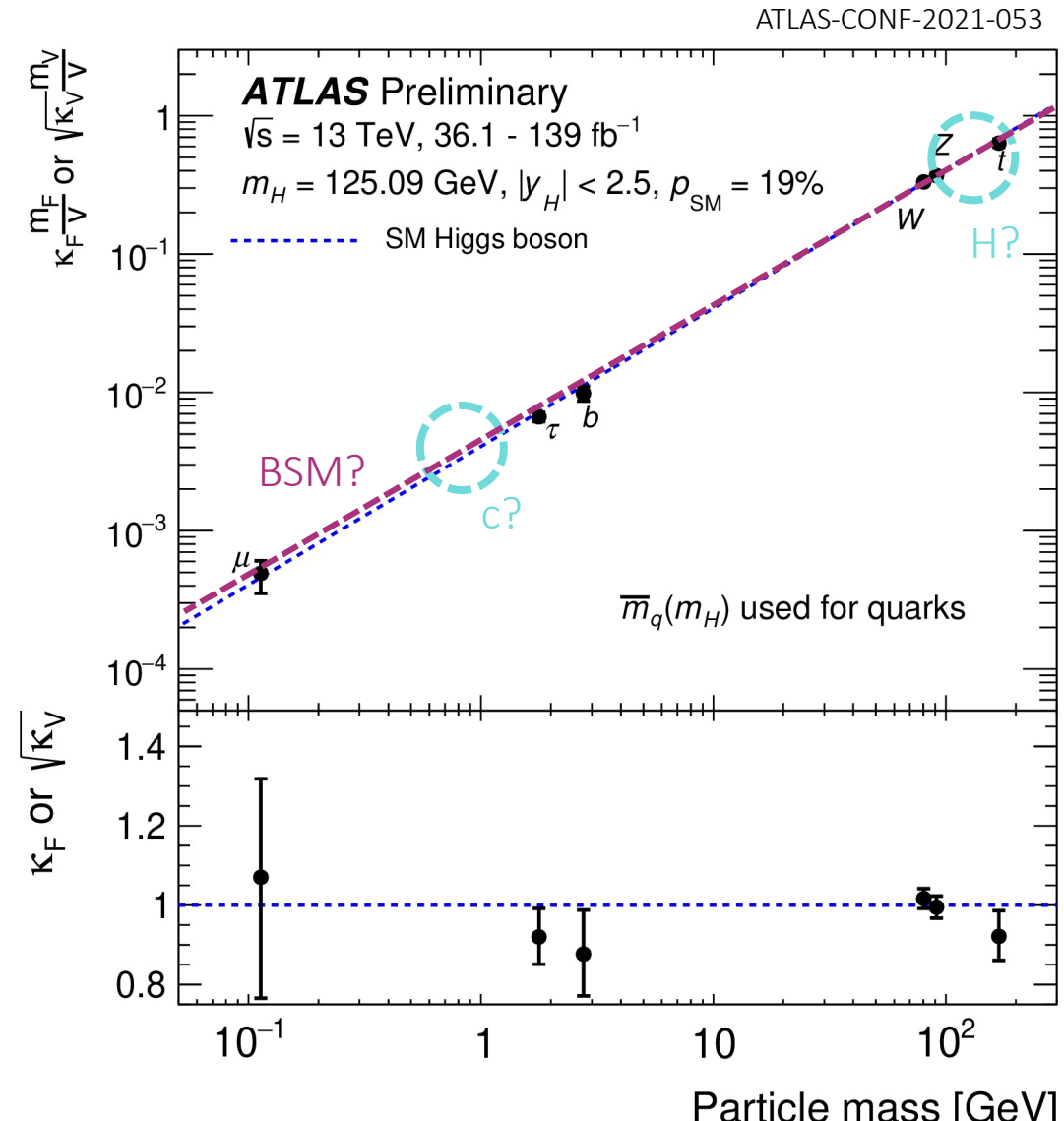
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- BSM effects



# HL-LHC Projections

Extrapolating from Run 2 results obtained with  $139\text{fb}^{-1}$  of data at 13 TeV

Luminosity scaled to  $3000\text{fb}^{-1}$     21x more data than Run 2!

Cross-sections scaled to adjust to 14 TeV

Typically, a few systematic uncertainty scenarios scaled as follows:

Statistical Uncertainties	$\propto 1/\sqrt{L}$
Experimental Uncertainties	$\propto 1/\sqrt{L}$ Until floor reached
Theoretical Uncertainties	$\times 0.5$

Projections updated as new Run 2 results come out.



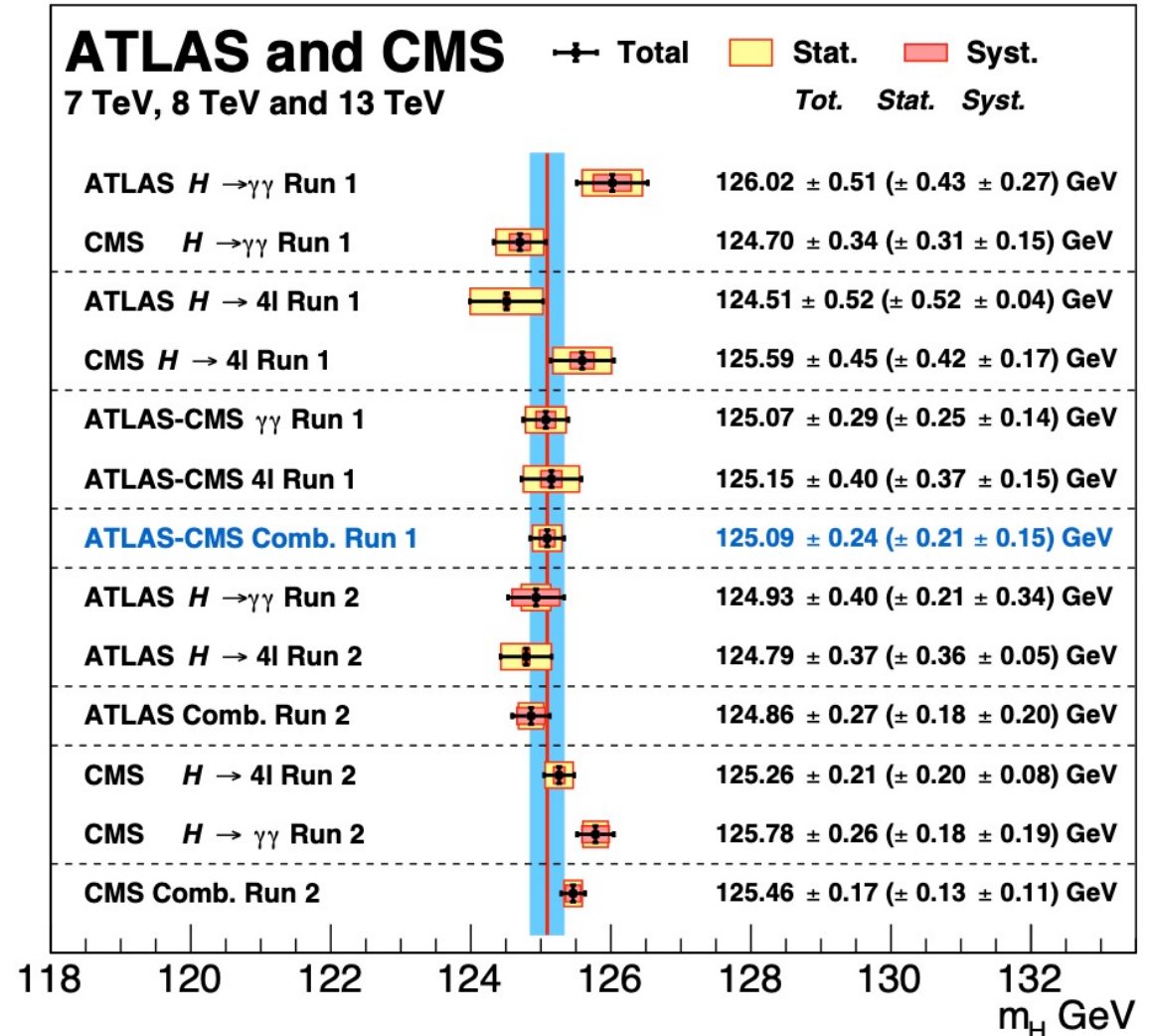
# Higgs Mass & Width

Main precision channels:  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$   $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$

Precision expected to improve from  $\sim 0.2$  GeV to  $\sim 0.03$  GeV

ATLAS-PHYS-PUB-2022-018/ CMS-PAS-FTR-22-001

<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2805993>

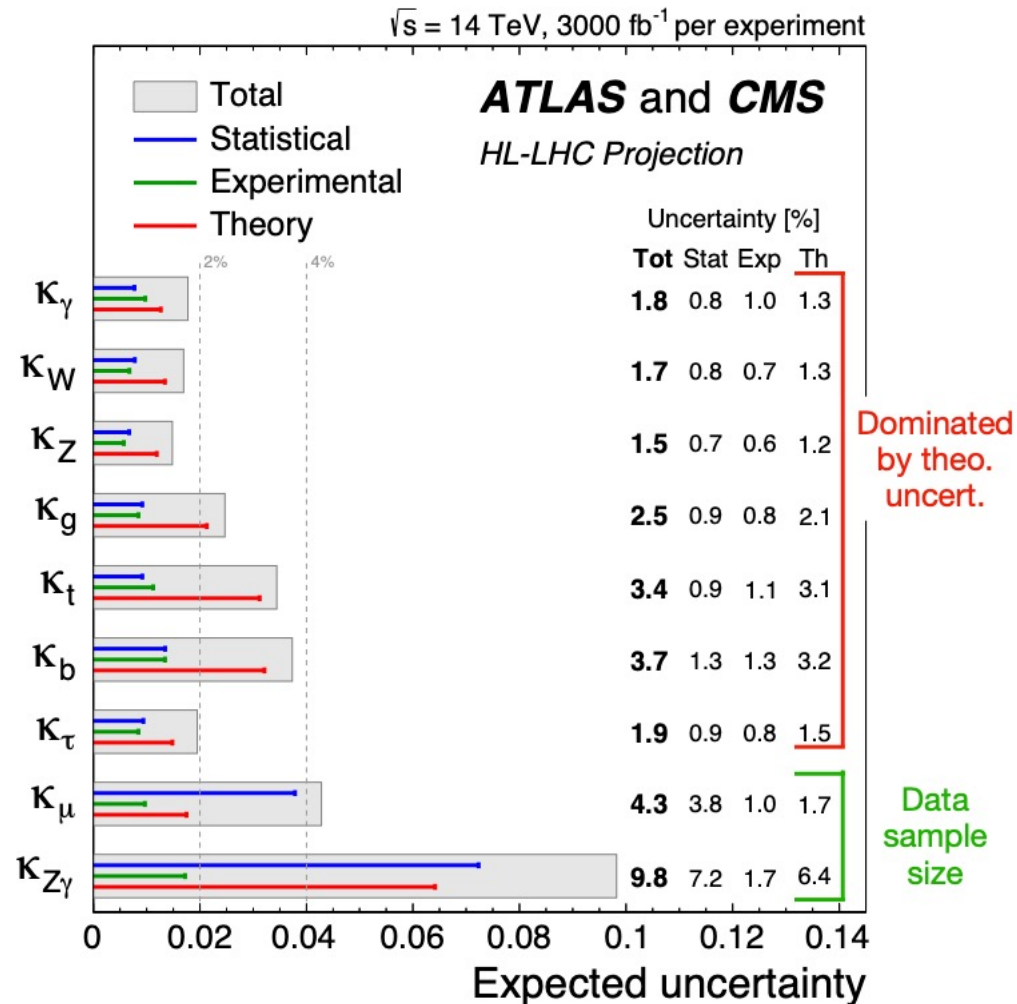


HL-LHC ATLAS & CMS projected uncertainties on  $m_H \sim 0.03$  GeV!  $\longrightarrow$  |

Higgs width measurement expected to reach  $\sim 5\%$  uncertainty through indirect measurements



# Higgs Coupling Measurements



Expect 2-5% precision on most Higgs couplings.

Theory uncertainties dominate in many measurements.

Some of the common ones are:

- QCD scale uncertainties
- PDF +  $\alpha_s$
- Parton shower
- Higgs + heavy flavour

Measurements that will benefit the most from HL-LHC are those that are statistically limited.

# Cross-Section Measurements – ATLAS latest

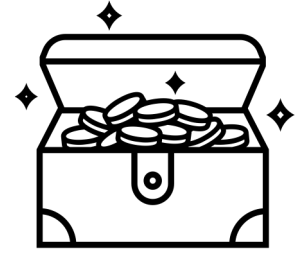


$$\Delta\sigma/\sigma[\%]$$

	ggF	VBF	WH	ZH	ttH (+tH)
$\gamma\gamma$	11.0	27.0	33.0		27.0
$ZZ$	11.0	51.0	117.0		169.0
$WW$	13.0	19.0			65.0
$\tau\tau$	28.0	20.0	59.0		86.0
$bb$	38.0		28.0	24.0	34.0
$\mu\mu$	91.0	134.0			
$cc$					
$Z\gamma$					

Data from ATLAS-CONF-2021-053

# Cross-Section Measurements – HL-LHC ATLAS+CMS



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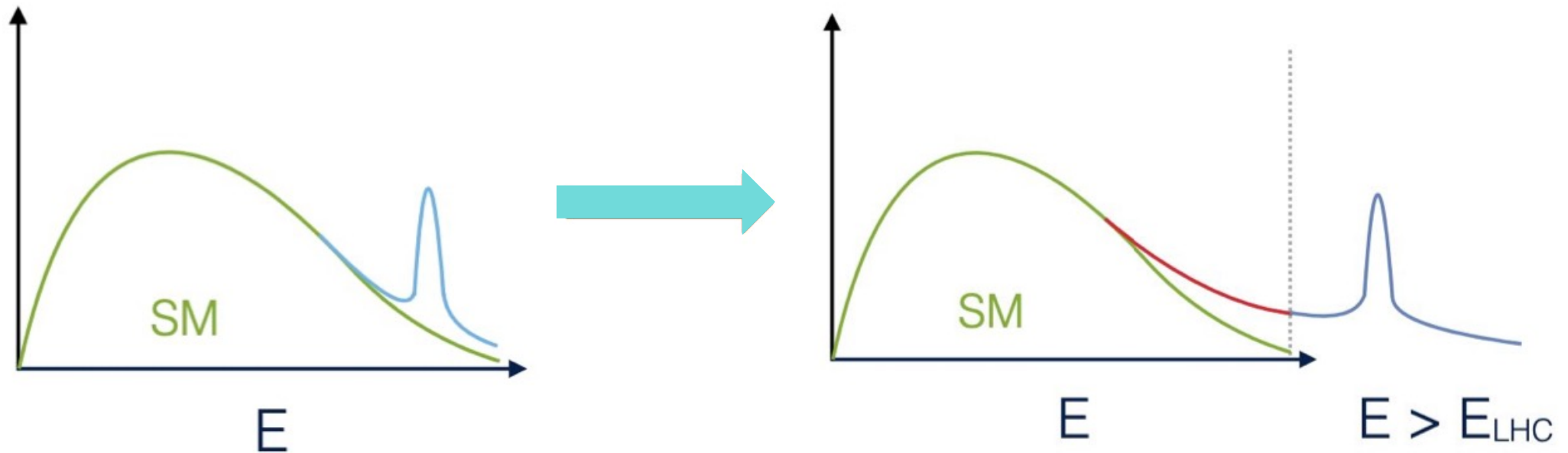
	ggF	VBF	WH	ZH	ttH
$\gamma\gamma$	2.5	7.9	9.9	13.2	5.9
$ZZ$	2.5	9.5	13.0		15.2
$WW$	2.5	5.5	9.9	12.8	6.6
$\tau\tau$	4.5	3.9	10.0 (ATLAS)		10.7
$bb$	19.0		8.3	4.6	10.2
$\mu\mu$	7.0 (CMS)				
$cc$			80.0 (CMS)		
$Z\gamma$	24.0	51.2			

rare processes

New for Snowmass!

Data from Snowmass [EF04](#)

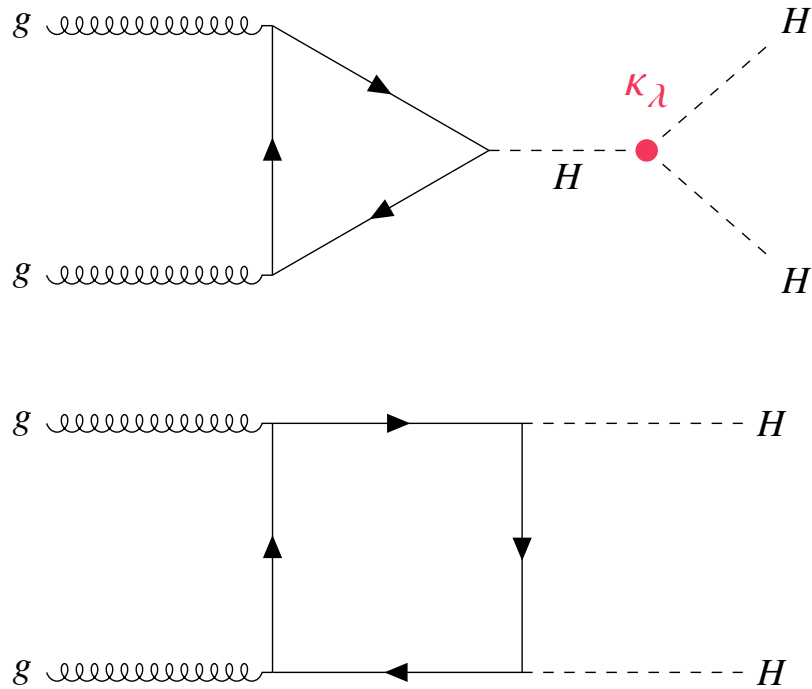
# Differential Cross-Sections and Effective Field Theory Interpretations



Measurements in low-stats, high  $p_T$  tails will also be most accessible at HL-LHC.

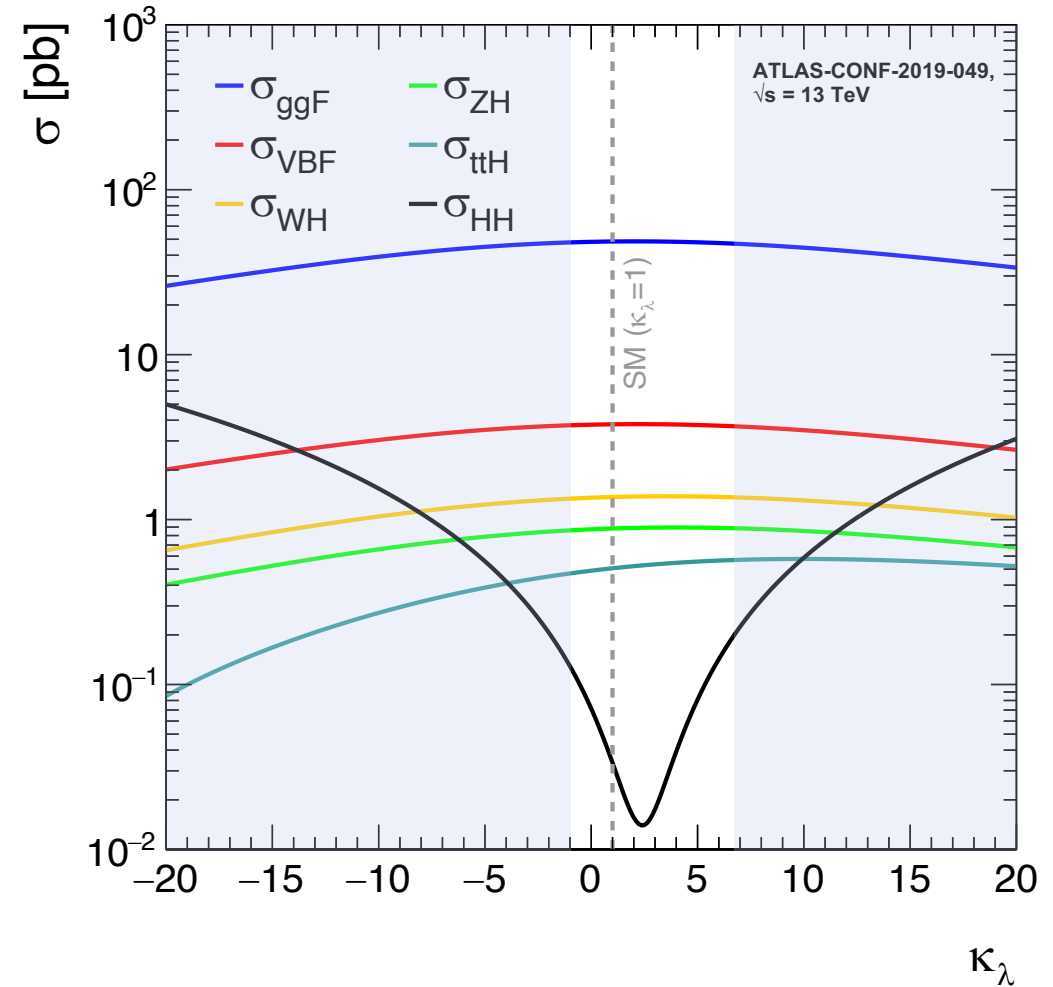
Differential measurements and their interpretations will maximize sensitivity to new physics.

# HH Production



We can probe the shape of the Higgs potential by measuring the Higgs self-coupling parameter  $\kappa_\lambda$ .

$$\kappa_\lambda = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_{SM}}$$



Run 2  
(search mode)

~4,000 events

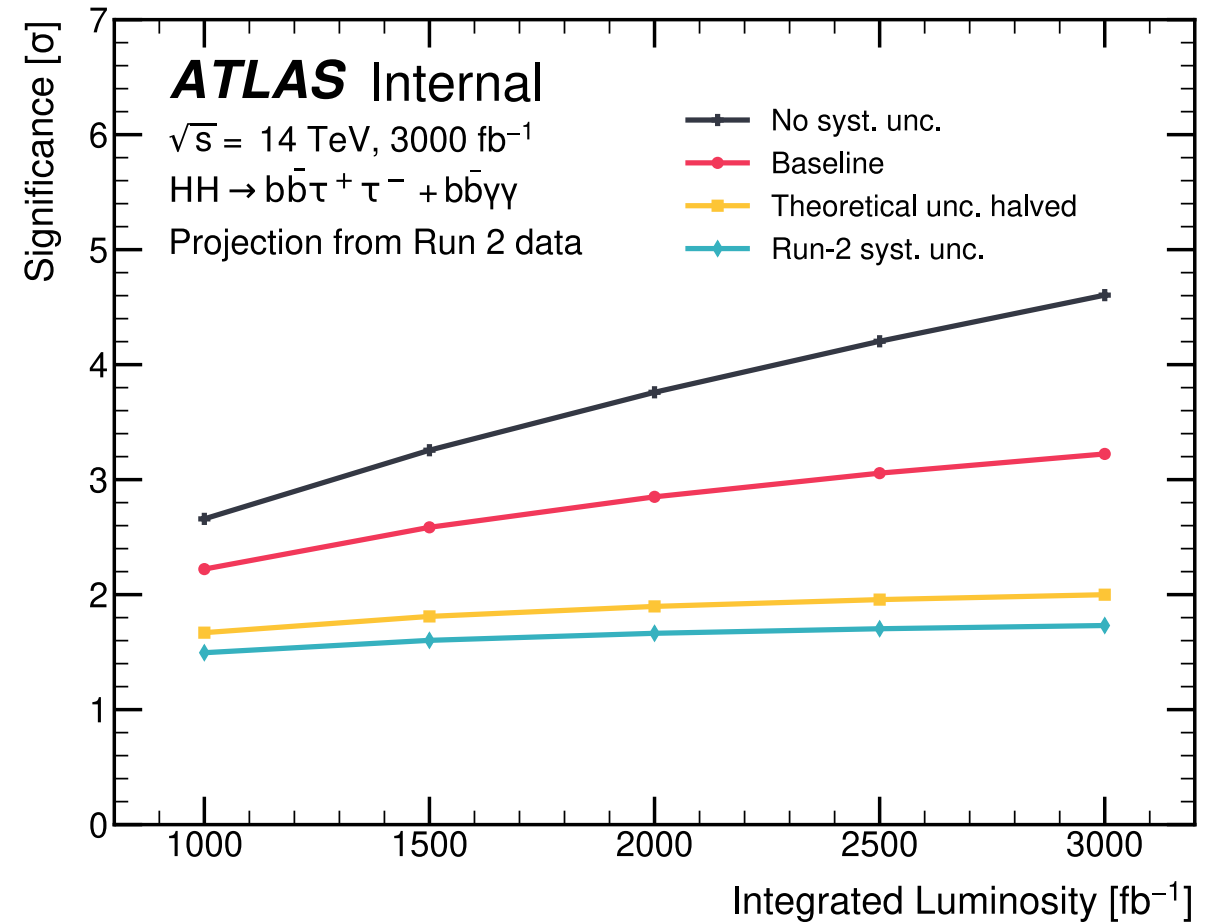
HL-LHC  
(measurement mode)

~115,000 events

# HH Significance

ATLAS-CONF-2021-052

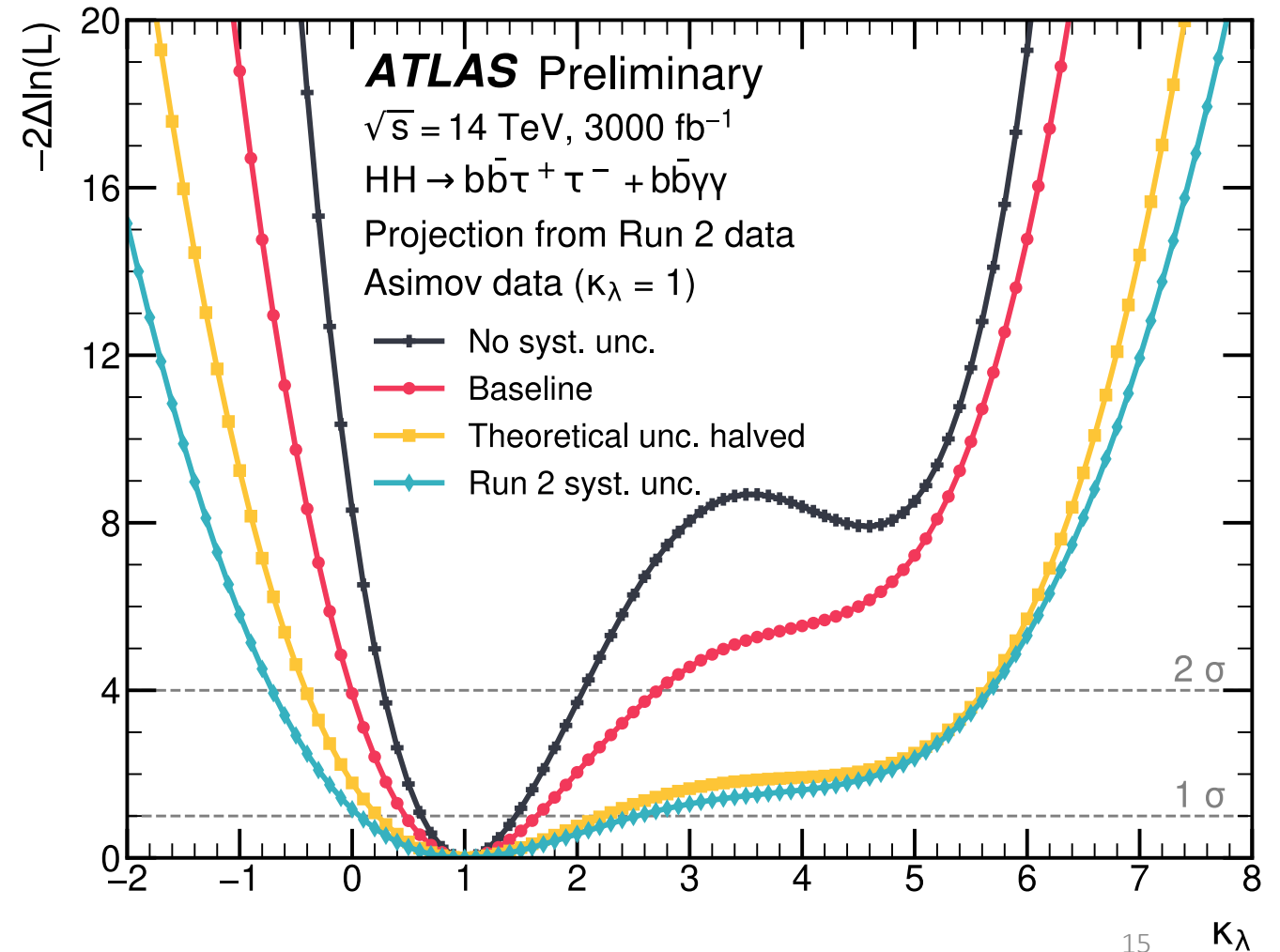
Uncertainty scenario	Significance		
	$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	$b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$	Combination
No systematic uncertainties	2.3	4.0	4.6
Baseline	2.2	2.8	3.2
Theory uncertainties halved	1.1	1.7	2.0
Run-2 systematic uncertainties	1.1	1.5	1.7



# HH Likelihood Scan ATLAS-CONF-2021-052

Negative log of the likelihood ratio comparing different  $k_\lambda$  hypotheses to an Asimov dataset constructed with  $k_\lambda = 1$

Uncertainty scenario	Likelihood scan $1\sigma$ CI	Likelihood scan $2\sigma$ CI
No systematic uncertainties	[0.6, 1.5]	[0.3, 2.1]
Baseline	[0.5, 1.6]	[0.0, 2.7]
Theory uncertainties halved	[0.2, 2.2]	[-0.4, 5.6]
Run-2 systematic uncertainties	[0.1, 2.5]	[-0.7, 5.7]



# Summary

High statistics from HL-LHC will bring the Higgs further into focus.

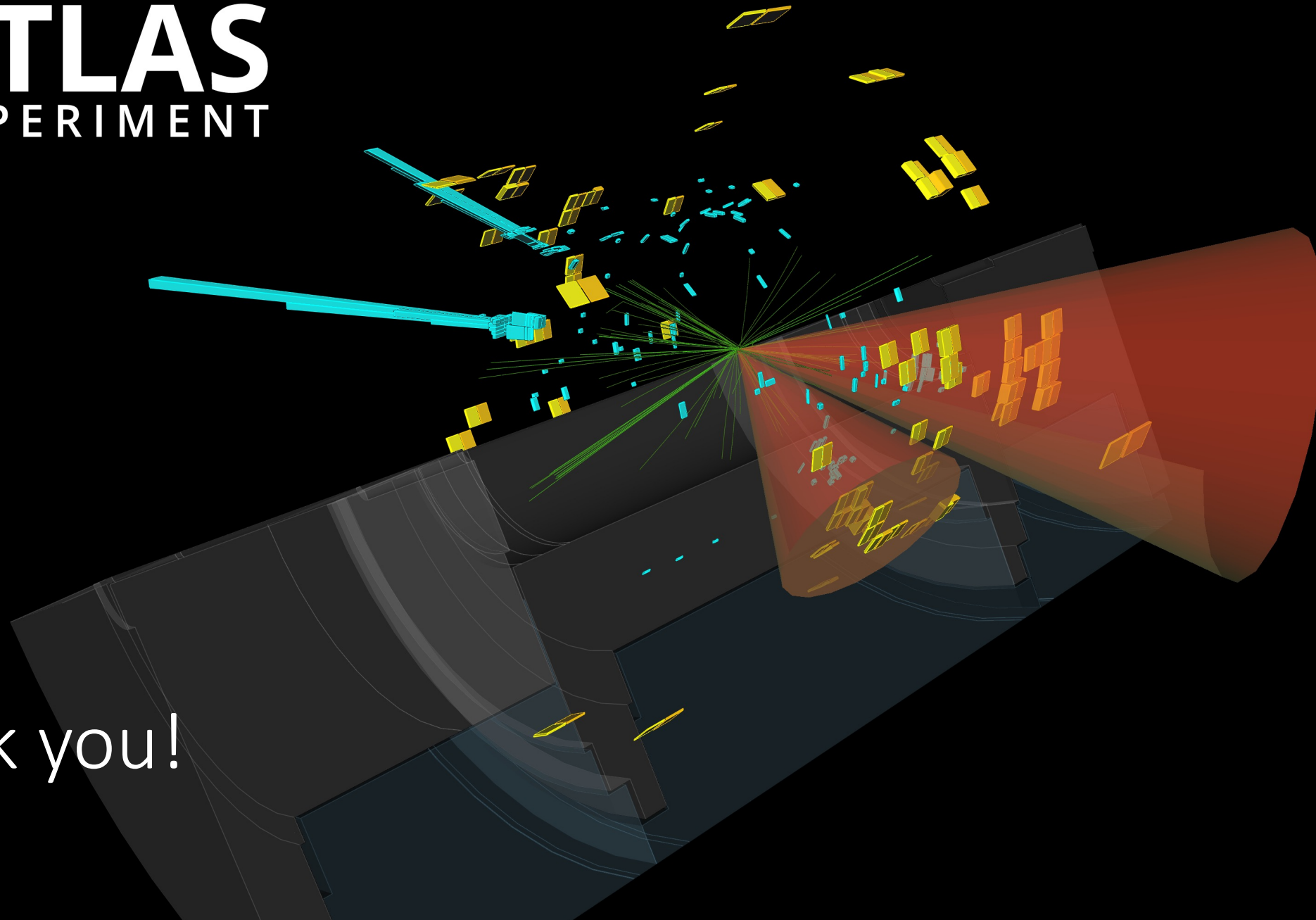
Rare processes such as  $H(cc)$ ,  $H(Z\gamma)$  and HH production may be measured for the first time.

Wealth of precision measurements and their interpretations will allow us to continue to constrain BSM physics.

Many other (non-Higgs) projections detailed in Snowmass Whitepaper: <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2805993/>

Success of HL-LHC relies on accelerator & detector upgrades going smoothly and continued progress in experimental and theory frontiers.





Thank you!

# Higgs Width

$\Gamma_H < 1.10 \text{ GeV}$ , at 95% confidence level.

- Direct measurement possible in precision channels

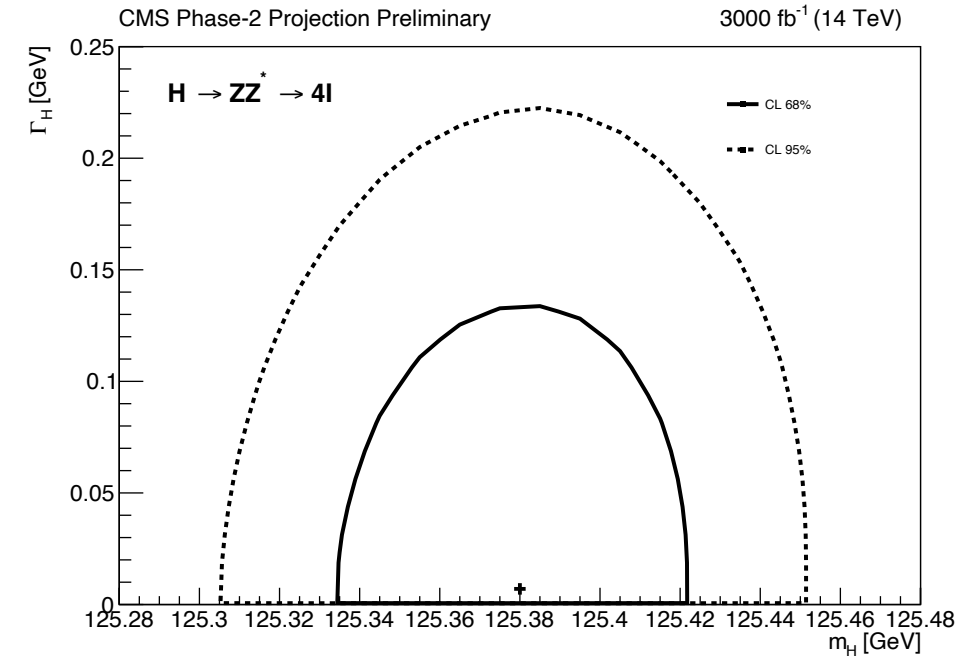
- $\Gamma_H < 177 \text{ MeV}$  (95% CL)

- Limited by the mass lineshape resolution

- Indirect measurement

- $\Gamma_H = 4.1^{+0.7}_{-0.8} \text{ MeV}$

- Rely on the assumption that offshell/onshell Higgs production is as predicted by the SM



CMS-PAS-FTR-21-007

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Latest CMS results on indirect measurement  $\text{Width}_H = 3.2^{+2.8, -2.2} \text{ MeV}$  (CMS-HIG-18-002)

# Higgs to Charm - VH(cc)

Updated projections from ATLAS and CMS at 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>

ATL-PHYS-PUB-2021-039 & CMS-PAS-HIG-21-008

Current limits on signal strength at 95% confidence:

ATLAS  $\mu < 26$  (31 expected)

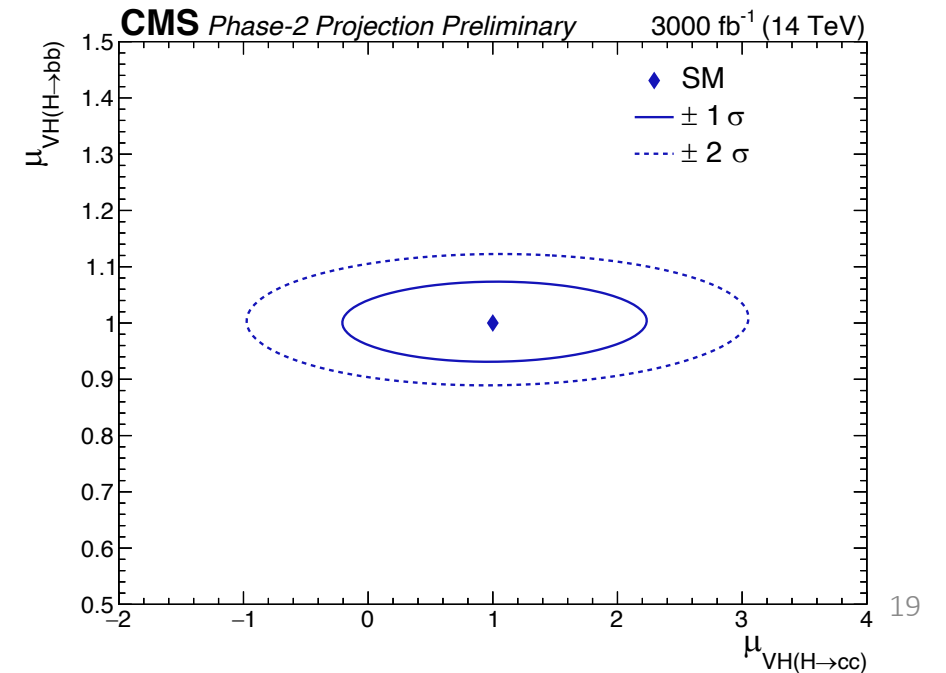
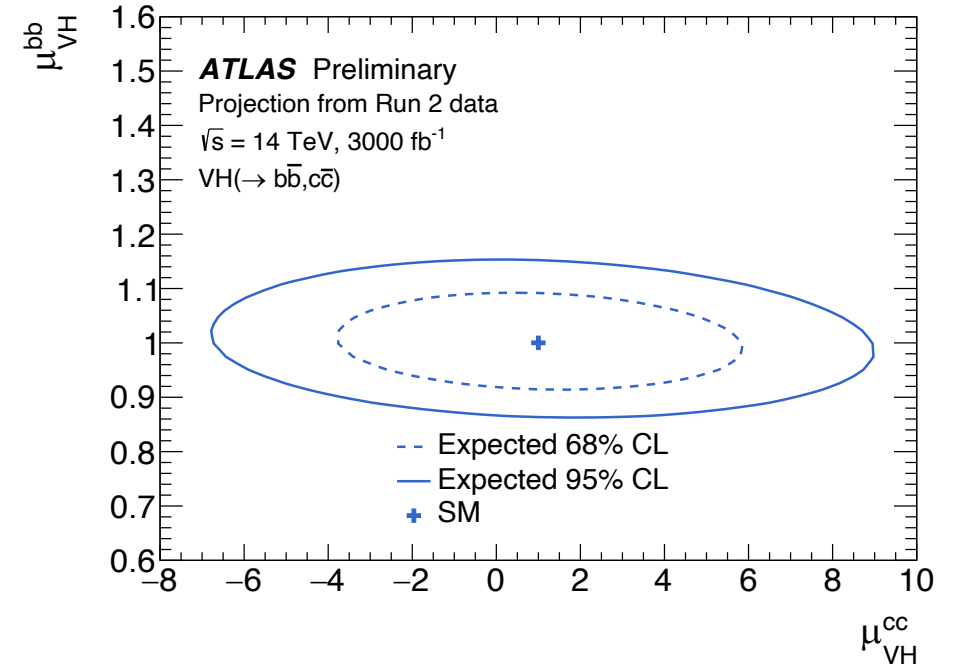
CMS  $\mu < 14$  (7.6 expected)

Expected projected limits on signal strength at 95% confidence:

ATLAS  $\mu < 6.4$

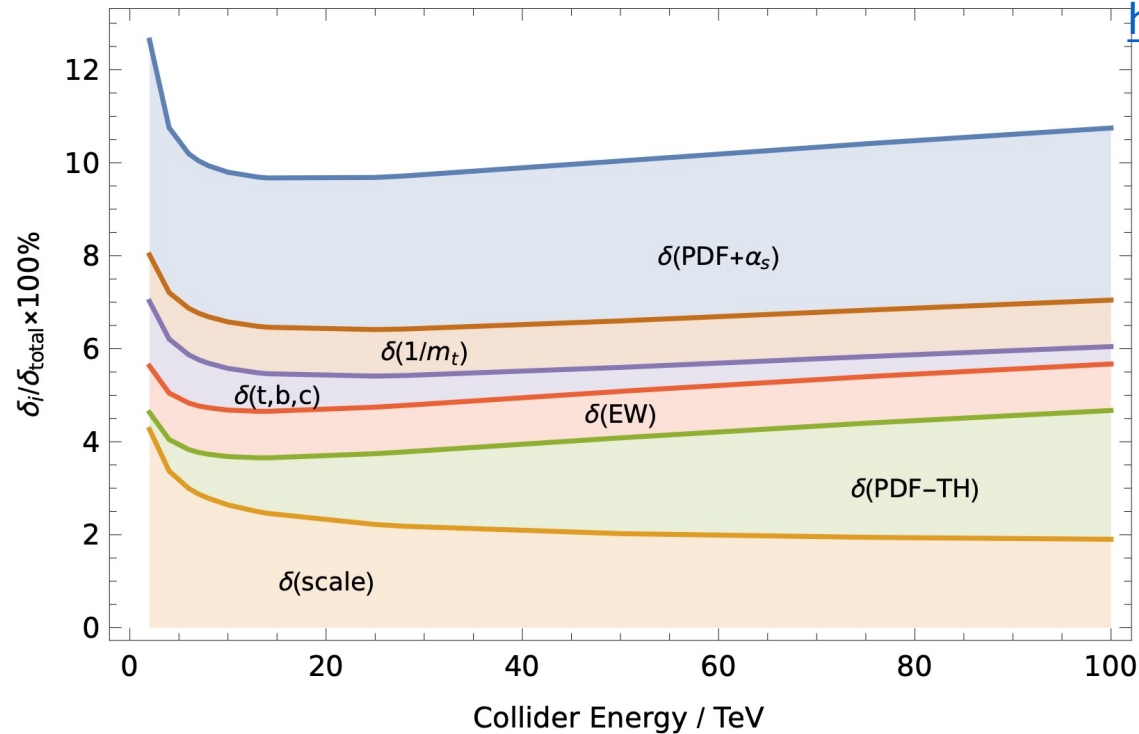
CMS  $\mu < 1.6$  (uses boosted analysis strategy)

Projected likelihood scans under SM hypothesis



# Theory Uncertainties

- Missing higher-order effects of QCD corrections beyond  $N^3\text{LO}$  ( $\delta(\text{scale})$ ).
- Missing higher-order effects of electroweak and mixed QCD-electroweak corrections at and beyond  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S\alpha)$  ( $\delta(\text{EW})$ ).
- Effects due to finite quark masses neglected in QCD corrections beyond NLO ( $\delta(t,b,c)$  and  $\delta(1/m_t)$ ).
- Mismatch in the perturbative order of the parton distribution functions (PDF) evaluated at NNLO and the perturbative QCD cross sections evaluated at  $N^3\text{LO}$  ( $\delta(\text{PDF-TH})$ ).

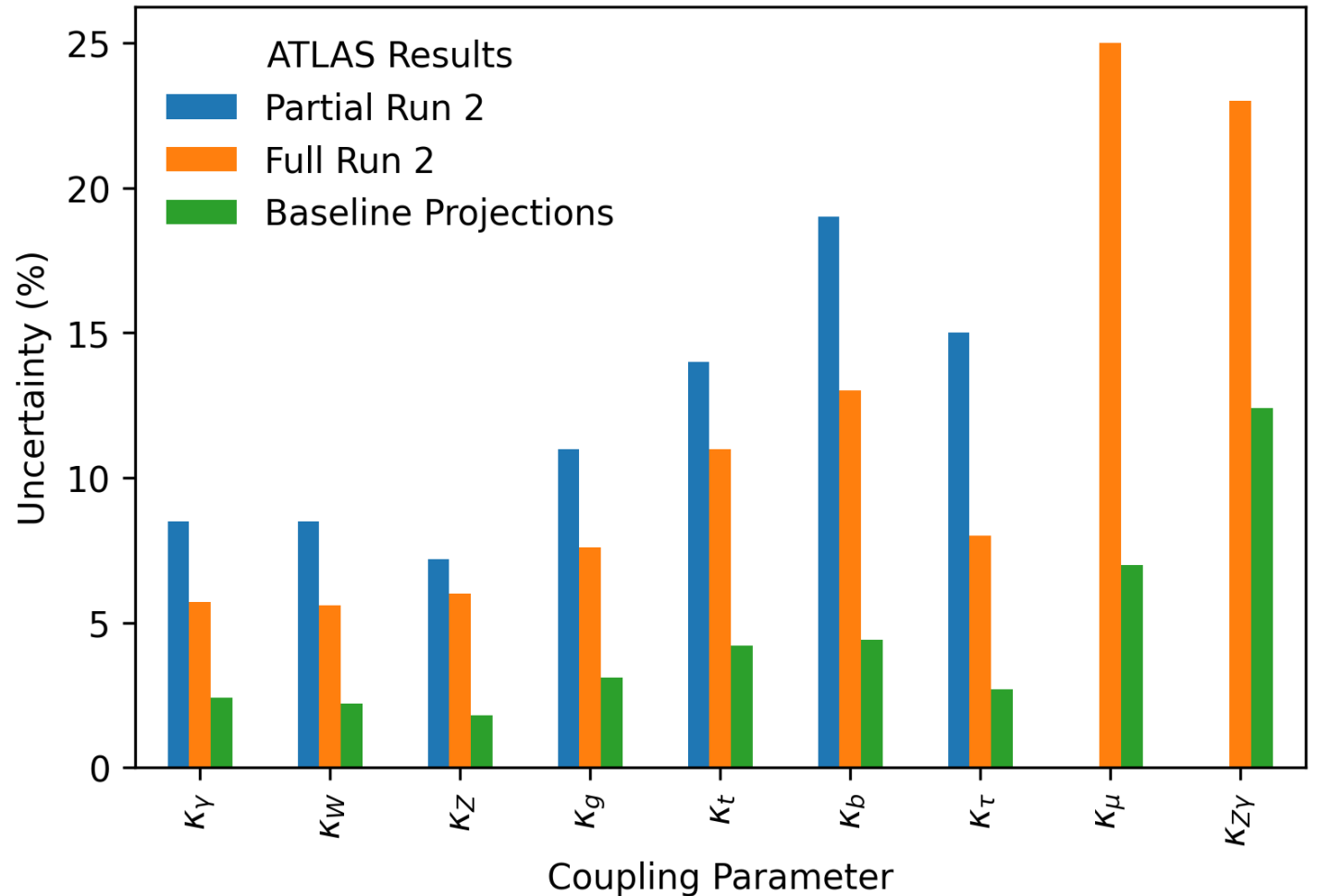


<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2703572/files/94-87-PB.pdf>

Fig. 1: The figure shows the linear sum of the different sources of relative uncertainties as a function of the collider energy. Each coloured band represents the size of one particular source of uncertainty as described in the text. The component  $\delta(\text{PDF} + \alpha_S)$  corresponds to the uncertainties due to our imprecise knowledge of the strong coupling constant and of parton distribution functions combined in quadrature.

# Coupling Measurements

Projections are often a little pessimistic. These projections were done on Partial Run 2 dataset, but in many cases systematically limited Full Run 2 measurements have improved at  $\sim\sqrt{L}$  scaling.



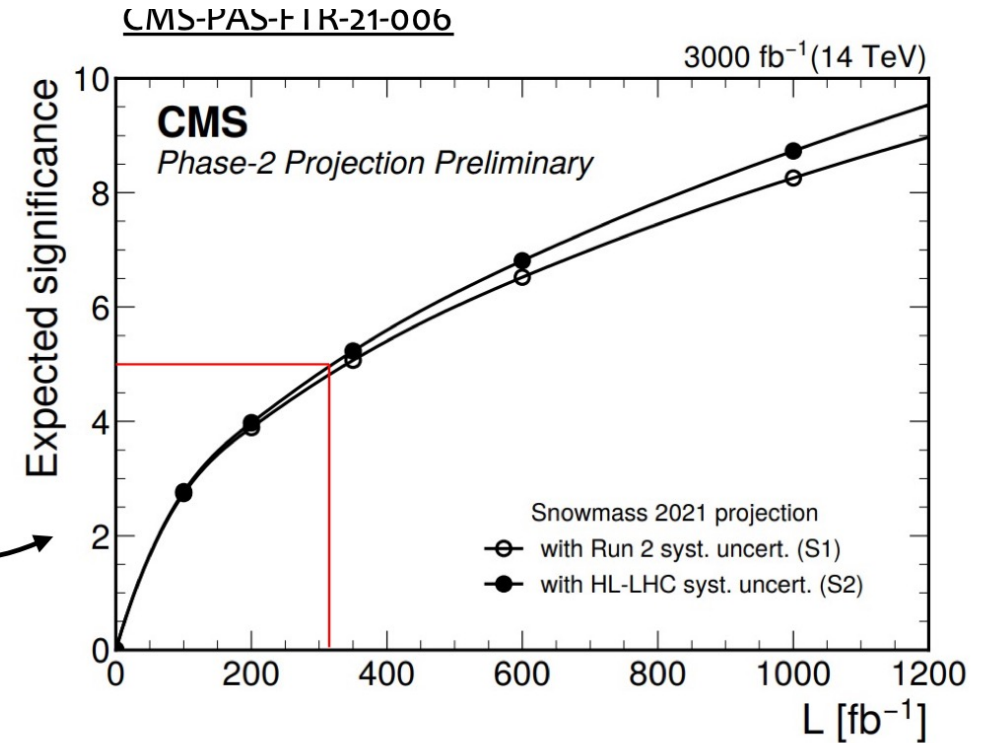
# H( $\mu\mu$ )

Evidence for  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decay in Run-2

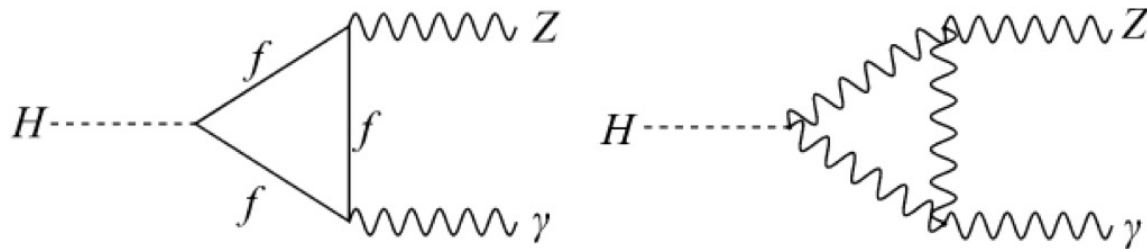
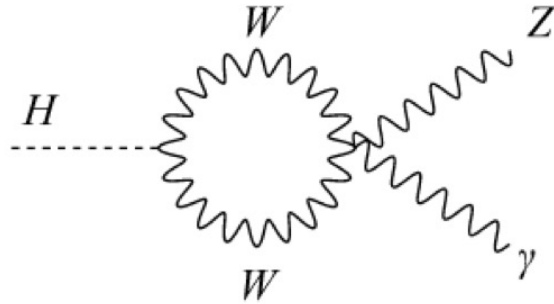
- ATLAS:  $2.0\sigma$  ( $1.7\sigma$ ) obs (exp) [Phys. Lett. B 812 \(2021\)](#)
- CMS:  $3.0\sigma$  ( $2.5\sigma$ ) obs (exp) [JHEP 01 \(2021\) 148](#)

New projection from CMS based on Run-2 analysis

- Expect to reach  $5\sigma$  @  $\sim 300/\text{fb}$  – by the end of LHC Run-3
- Combination with ATLAS to reach  $5\sigma$  sooner!



$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$

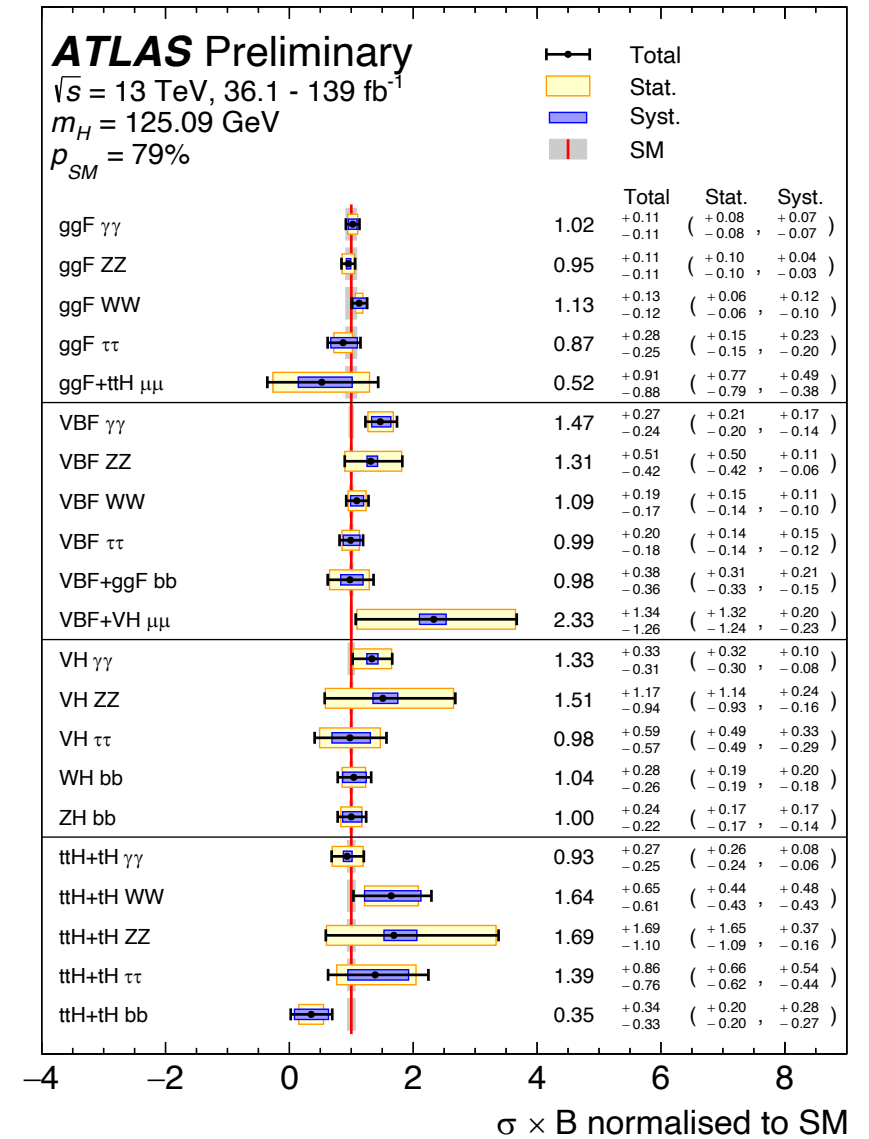


<https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.05382>

Current ATLAS limits are at 3.6xSM

# ATLAS Combined Higgs Results

<https://atlas.web.cern.ch/Atlas/GROUPS/PHYSICS/CONFNOTES/ATLAS-CONF-2021-053/>





# Higgs Mass

CMS projected uncertainties

	Mass uncertainty (MeV)					Width upper limit at 95 % CL (MeV)
	Combined	$4\mu$	$4e$	$2e2\mu$	$2\mu2e$	Combined
Stat. uncertainty	22	28	83	51	59	94
Syst. uncertainty	20	15	189	94	95	150
Total	30	32	206	107	112	177

# HH References

2018 HL-LHC Prospects Combination <http://cdsweb.cern.ch/record/2652727>

2021 HL-LHC Prospects  $b\bar{b}\tau\tau$  <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2798448>

2022 HL-LHC Prospects  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  <http://cdsweb.cern.ch/record/2799146>

2022 HL-LHC Prospects Combination <http://cdsweb.cern.ch/record/2802127>

2021 Full Run 2  $b\bar{b}\tau\tau$  <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2777236>

2021 Full Run 2  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  <https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.11876>

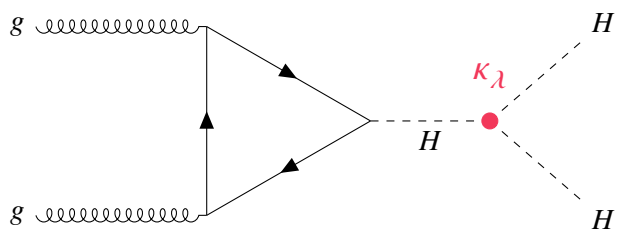
2021 Full Run 2 HH Combination <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2786865>

2022 Full Run 2 HH HEFT Interpretations

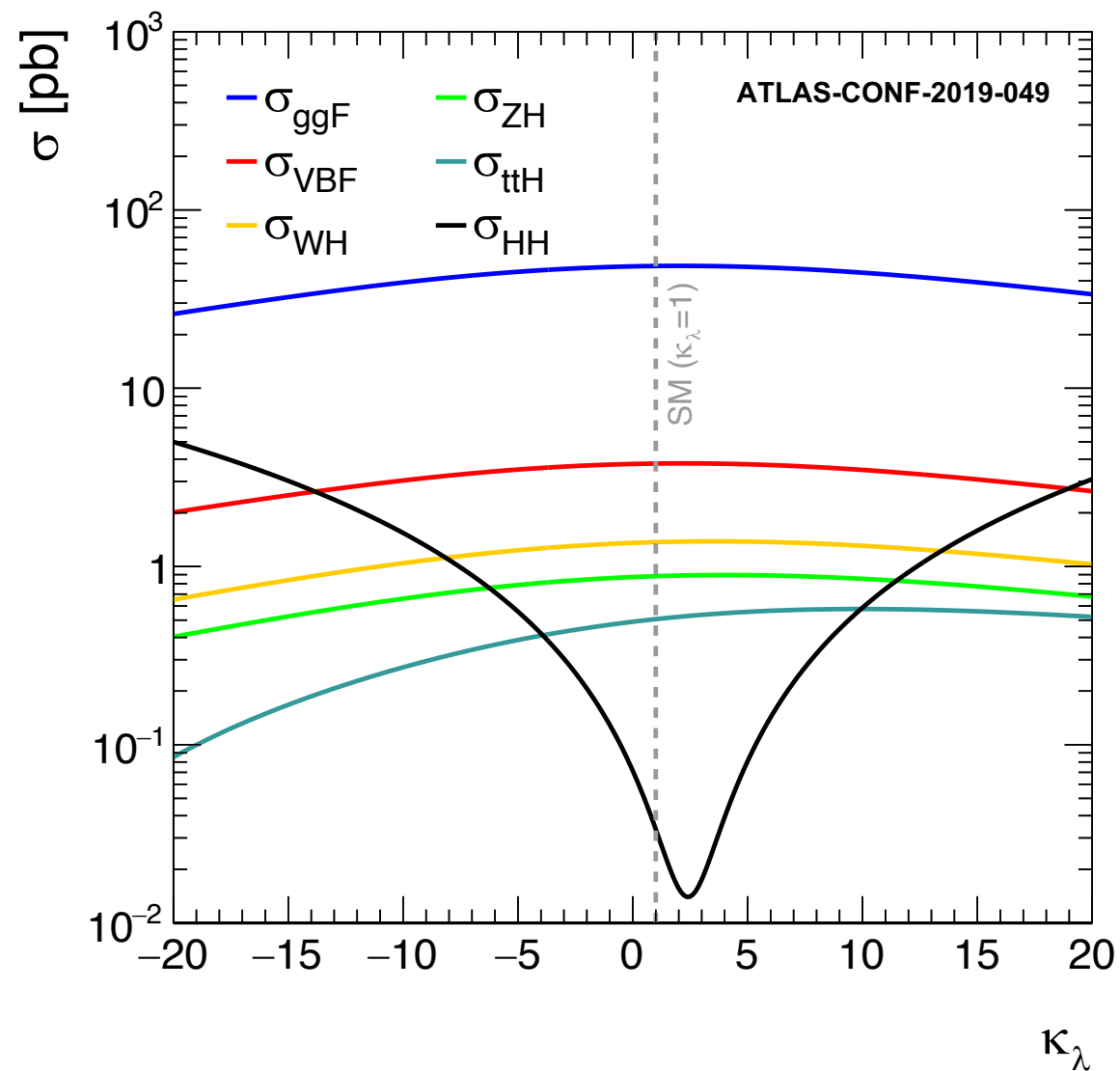
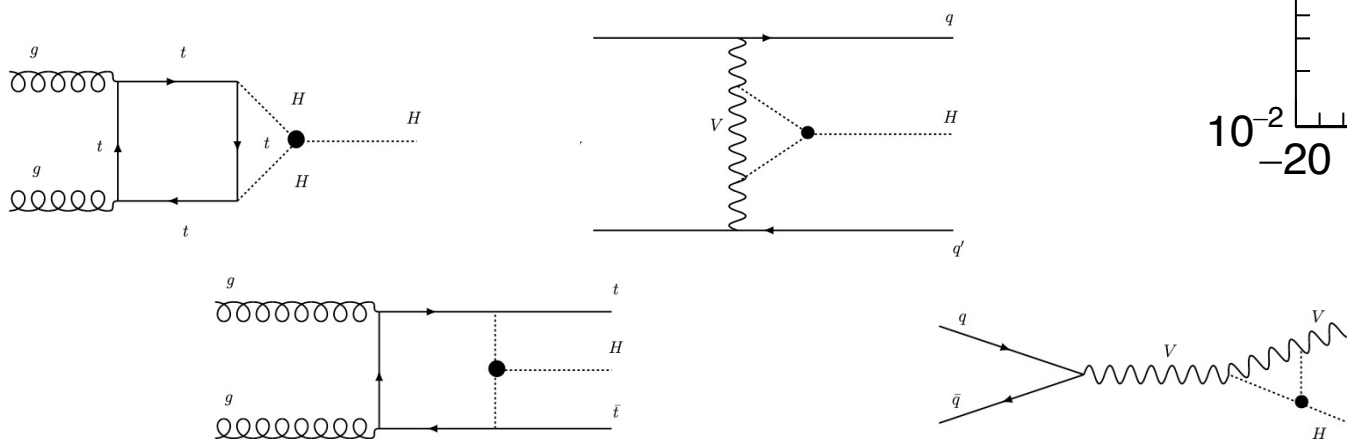
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# Measuring $\kappa_\lambda$

Direct measurement:



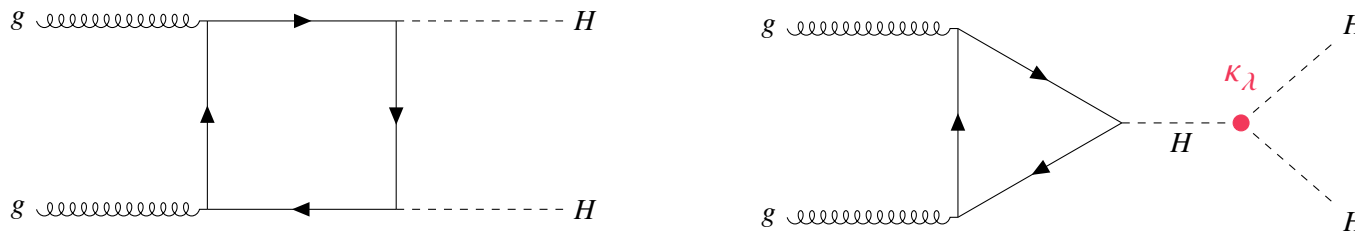
Indirect measurement:



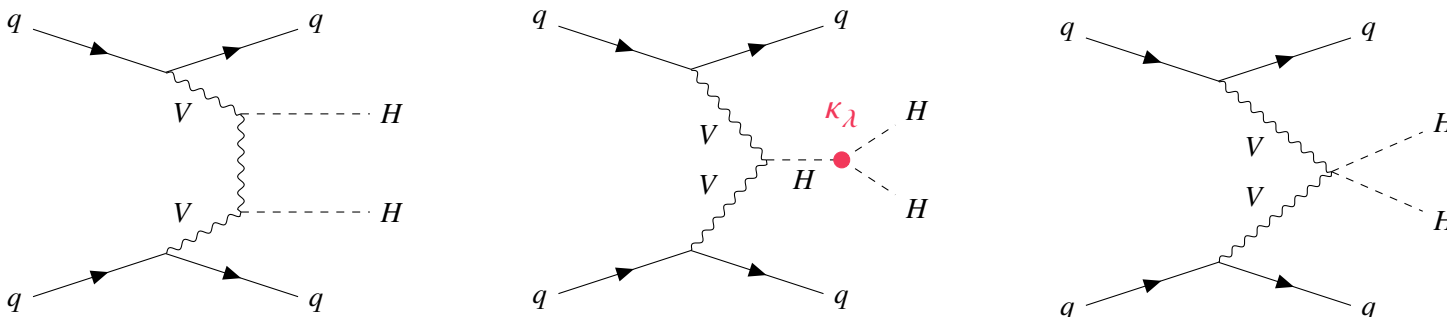
# HH Production Channels

Non-Resonant

$$ggF: \sigma_{SM} = 31.05 \text{ fb}$$



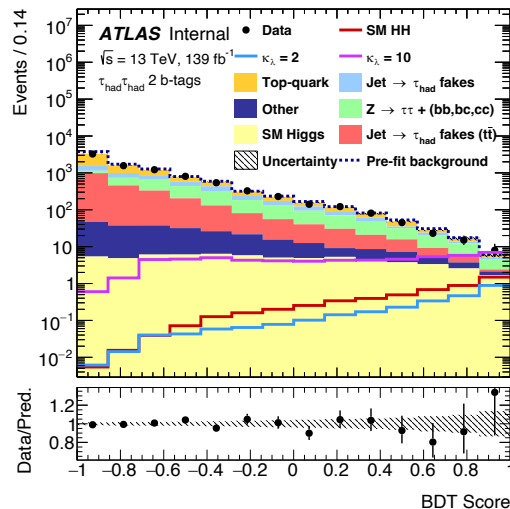
$$VBF: \sigma_{SM} = 1.73 \text{ fb}$$



# Analysis Overviews

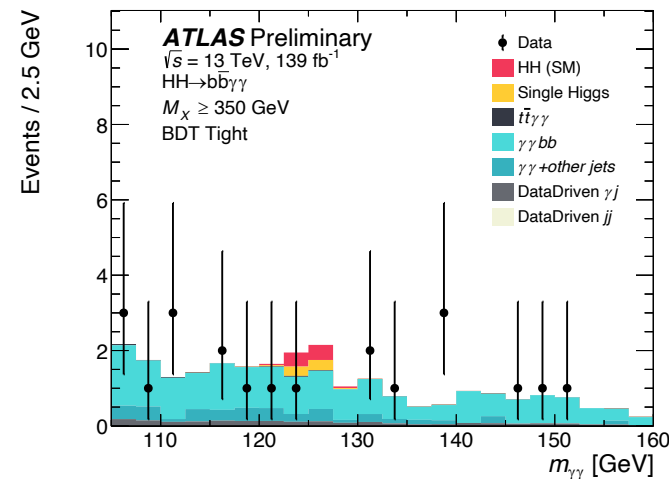
bb $\tau\tau$ : <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2777236>

- Lep-had and had-had channels
- Lep-had includes single-lepton (SLT) and lepton+tau (LTT) triggers
- NN used in lep-had channels
- BDT used for had-had channel
- Final fit on MVA output distributions in 3 signal regions and  $m_{ll}$  in Z+HF control region

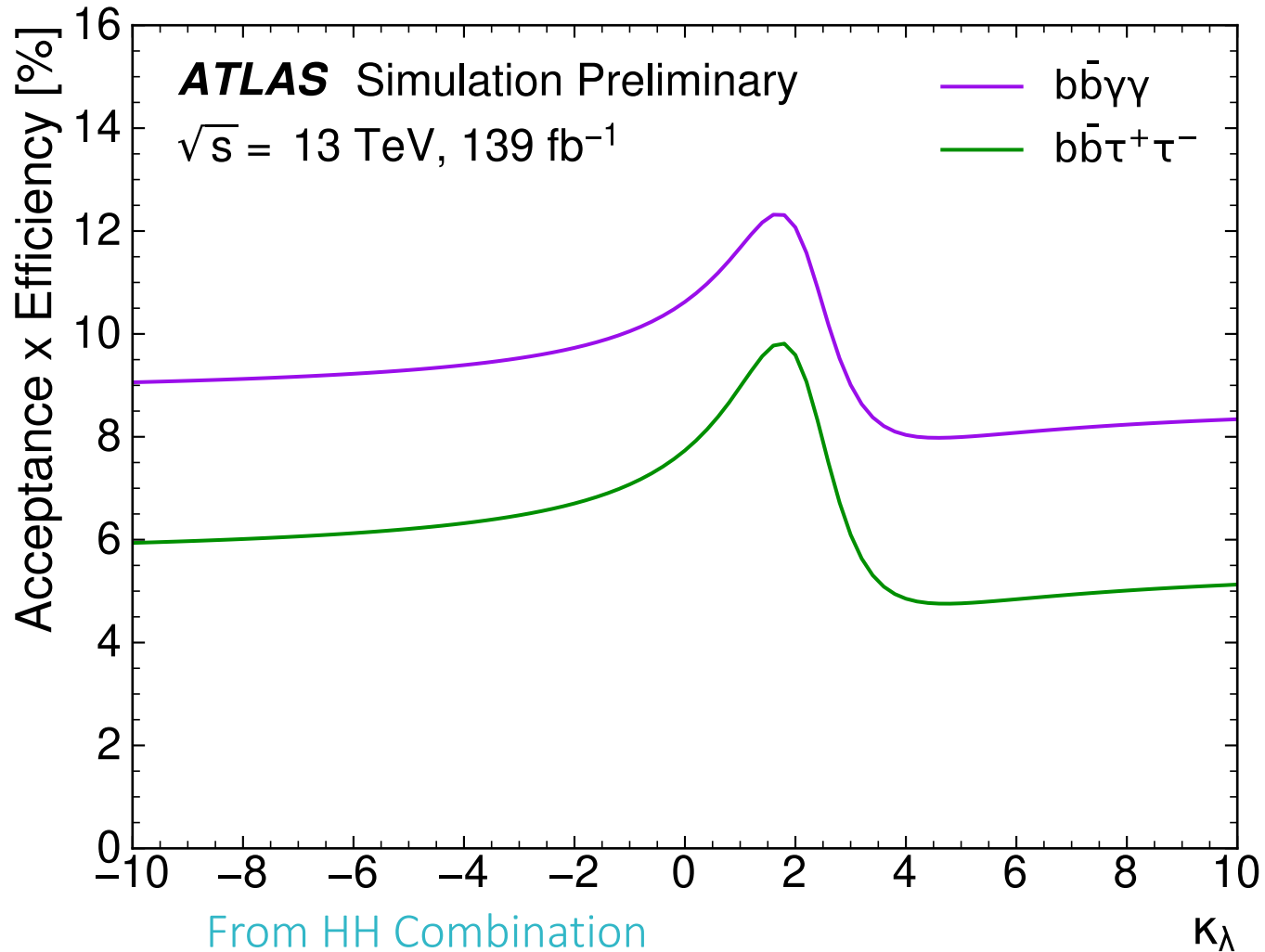


bb $\gamma\gamma$ : <https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.11876>

- Small branching ratio, but clean diphoton signature for triggering
- Excellent  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  resolution ( $\sim 1.5 \text{ GeV}$ )
- BDTs with for high mass and low mass categories
- $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  peak fit with double-sided crystal ball
- Continuum  $\gamma\gamma$ +jets background fit with exponential
- Un-binned maximum likelihood fit in  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$



# Acceptance x Efficiency as a function of $k_\lambda$



$$\text{Acceptance x Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Yield}}{\sigma * \text{BR} * 139 \text{ fb}^{-1}}$$

# Selection Strategy

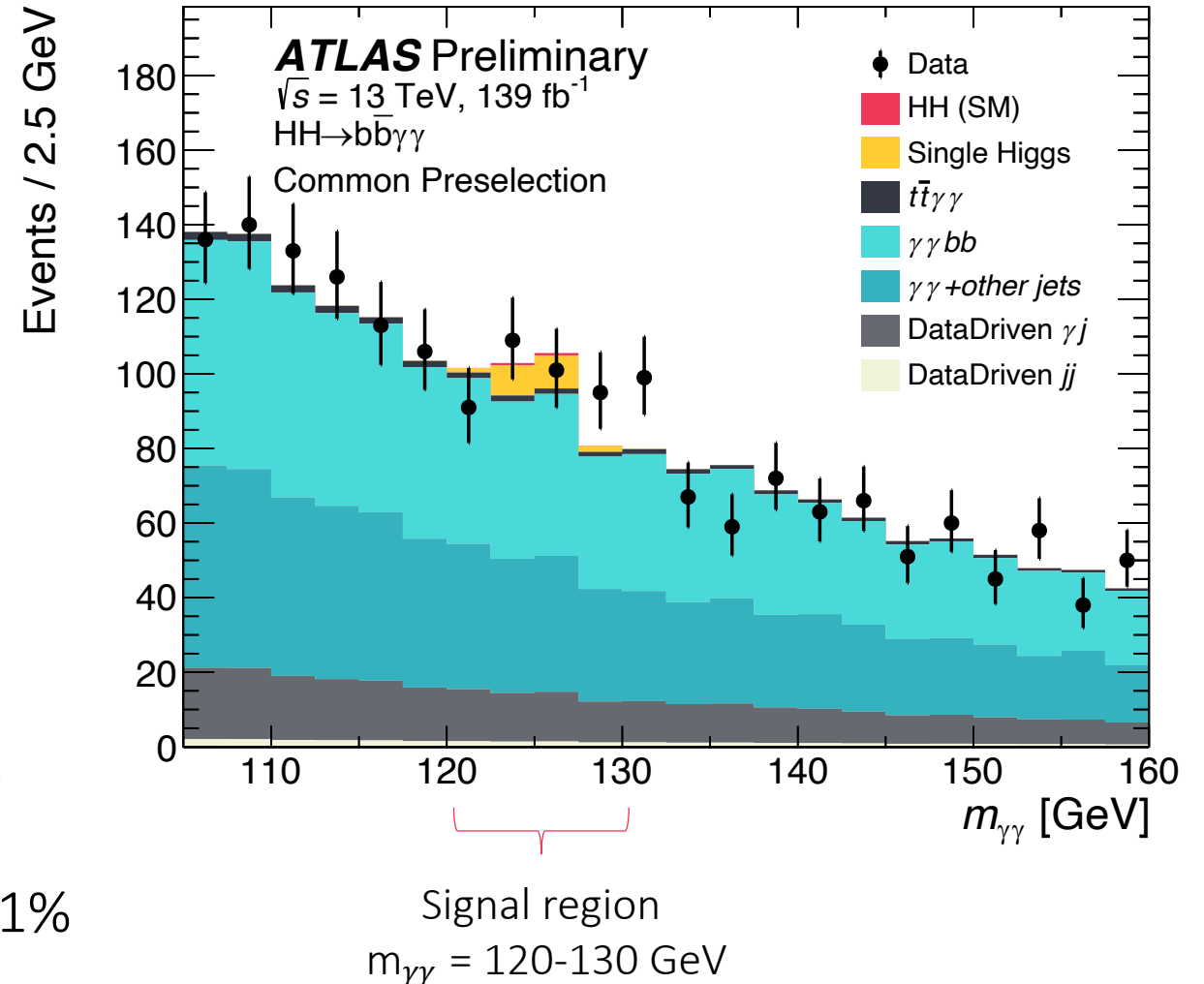
2 photons  
& 2 b-jets

Excellent di-photon mass resolution allows for signal extraction in  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$

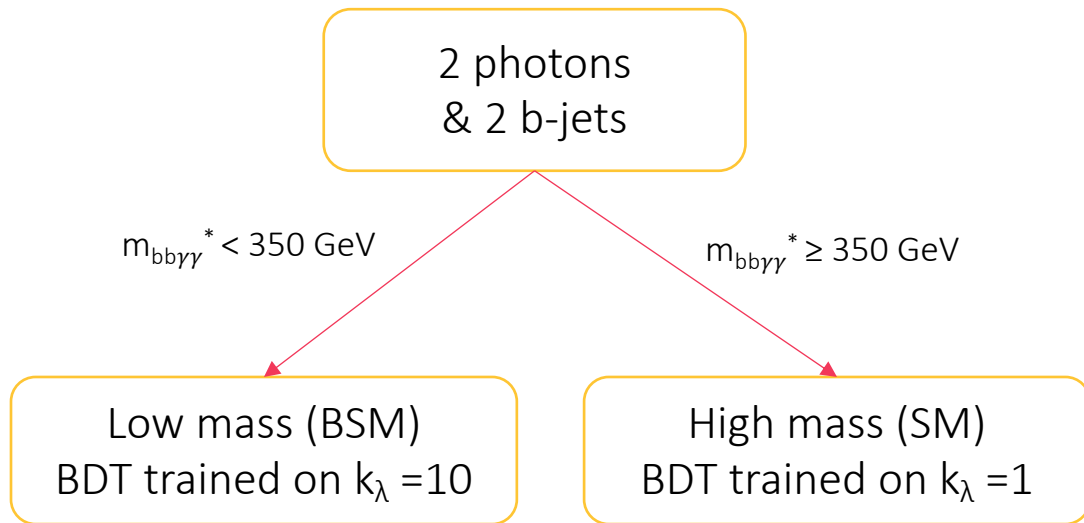
Major backgrounds:

- Diphoton  $\gamma\gamma$  (largest contributor)
- Single Higgs (peaks at same  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  as signal)

s/b in signal region after pre-selection is  $\sim 0.1\%$

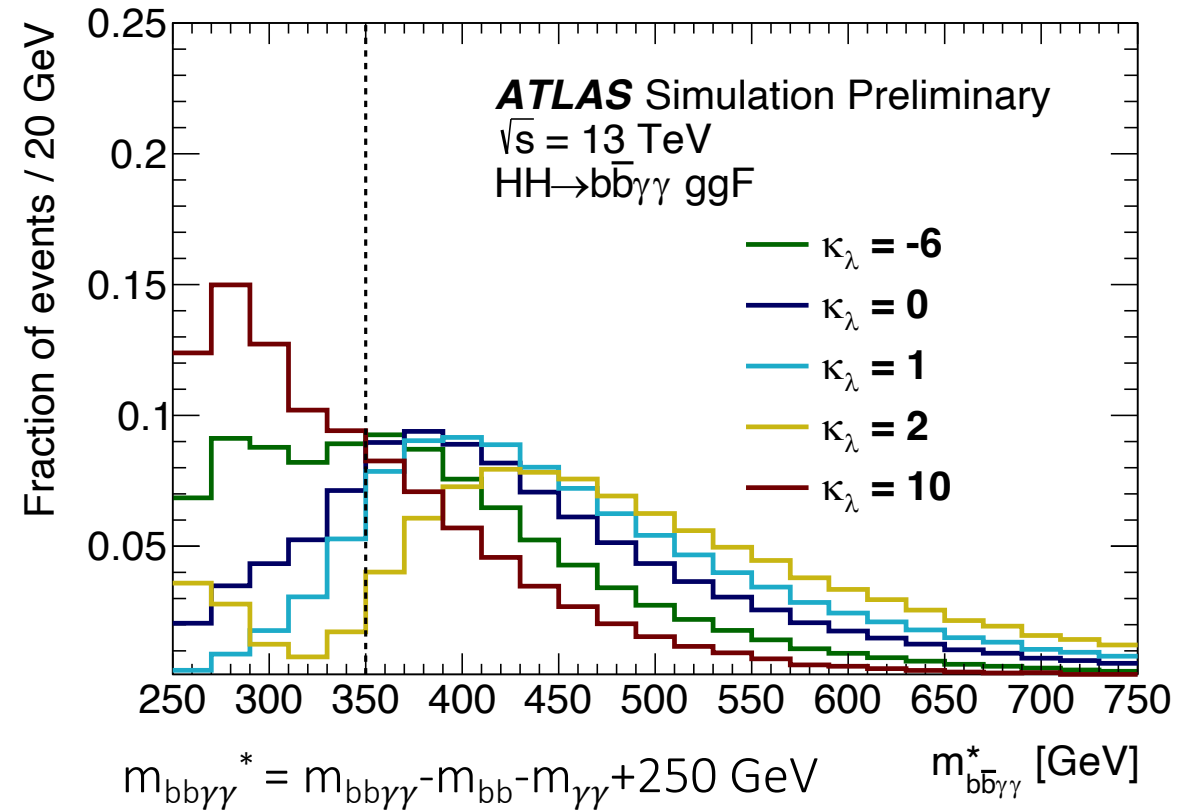


# $bb\gamma\gamma$ Selection Strategy



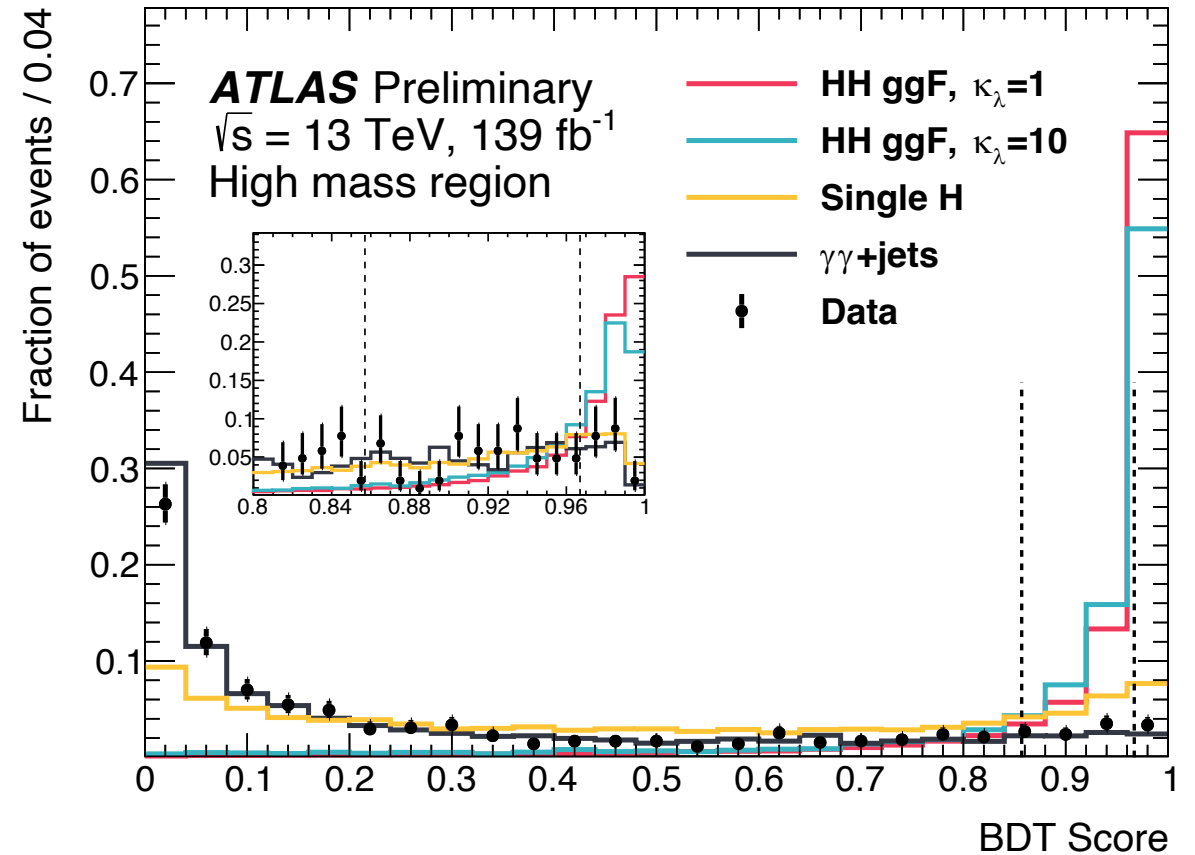
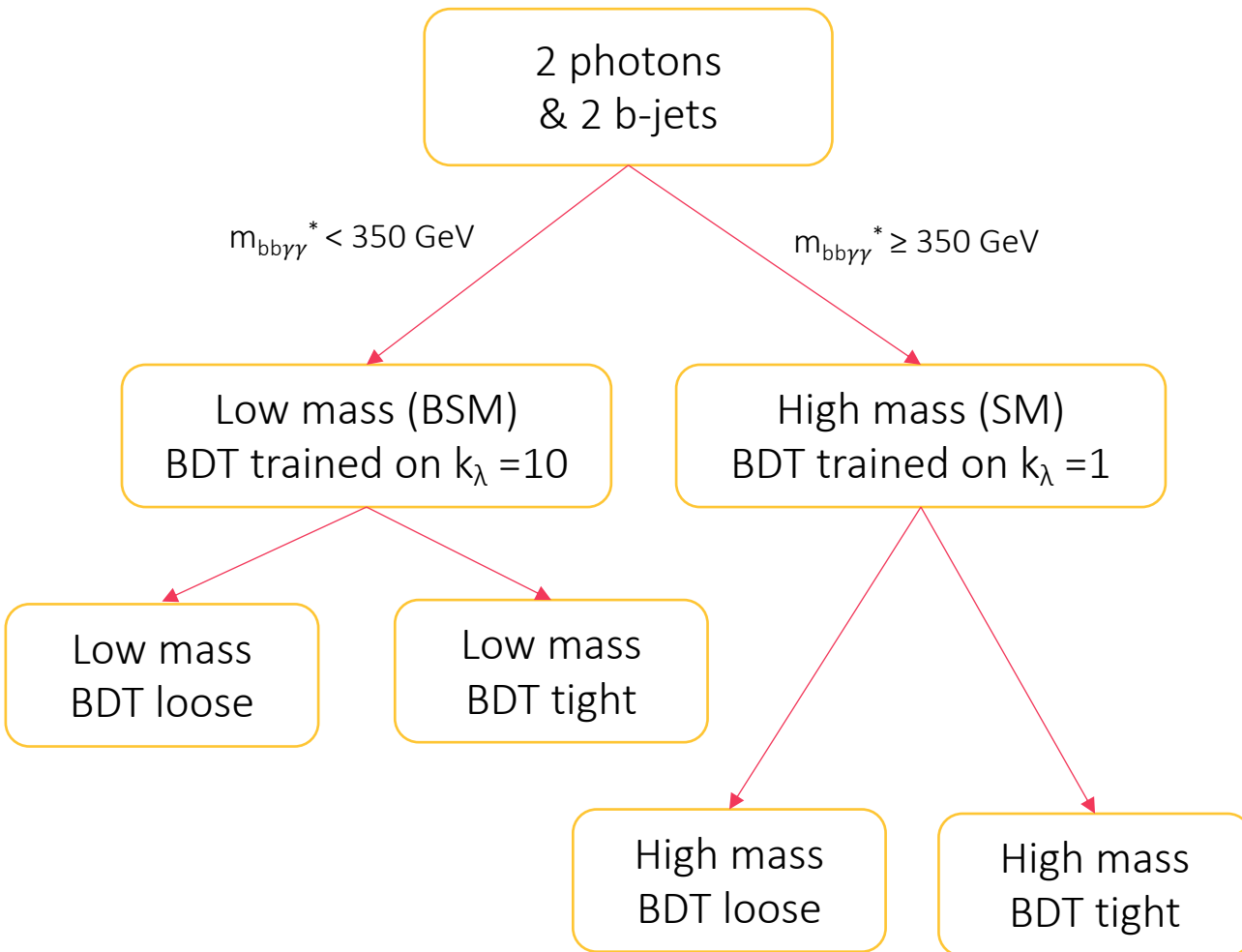
Split signal regions by  $m_{bb\gamma\gamma}^*$  for sensitivity to SM and BSM HH.

Train two BDTs to target each signal region.





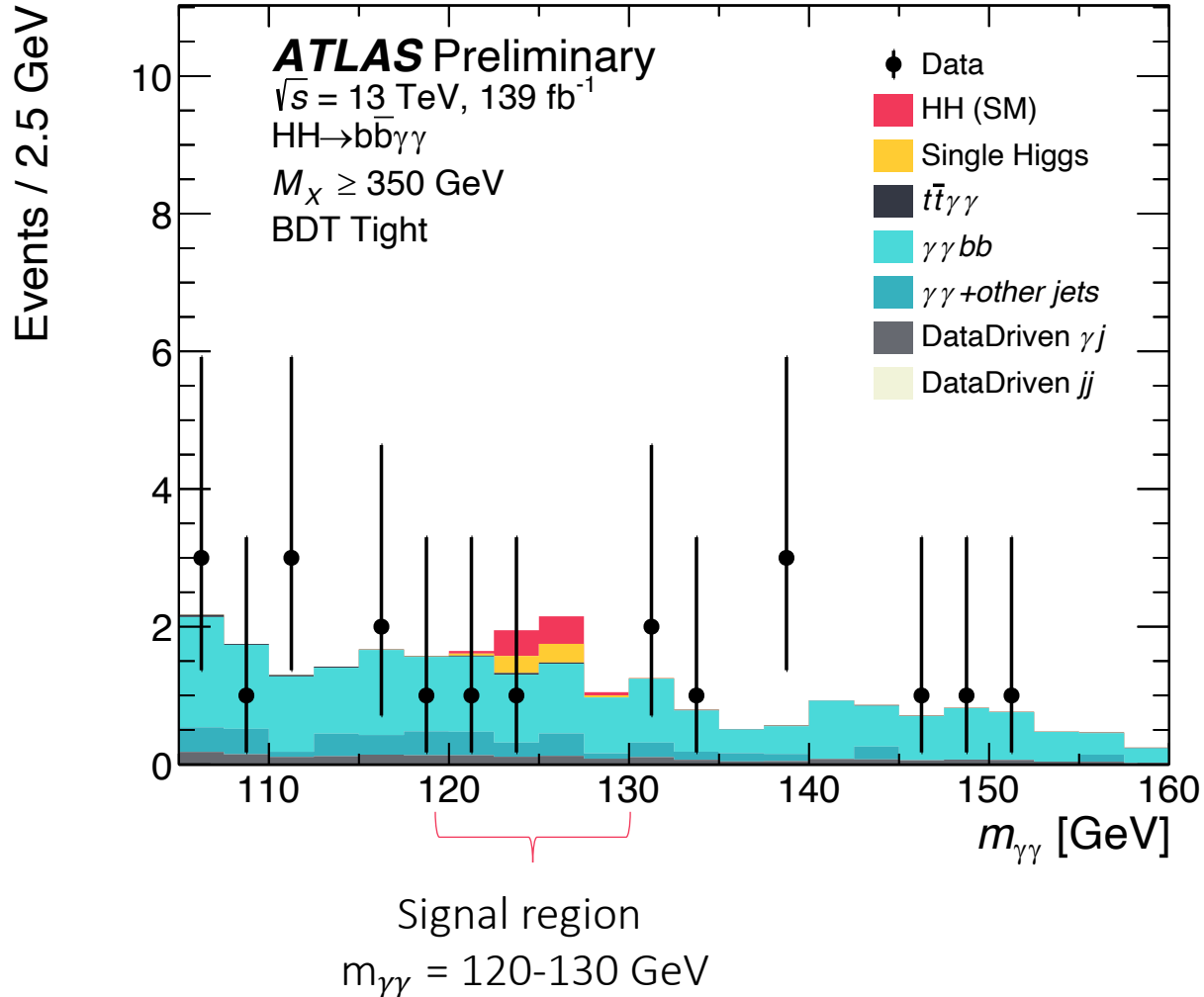
# bbγγ Selection Strategy



## 4 BDT Categories

*Cuts on BDT scores optimized to maximize Asimov significance.*

# Post Selection Data/Predictions



s/b in signal region after high mass BDT tight selection is 14%

# Signal Extraction

*Signal model: Double-Sided Crystal Ball*

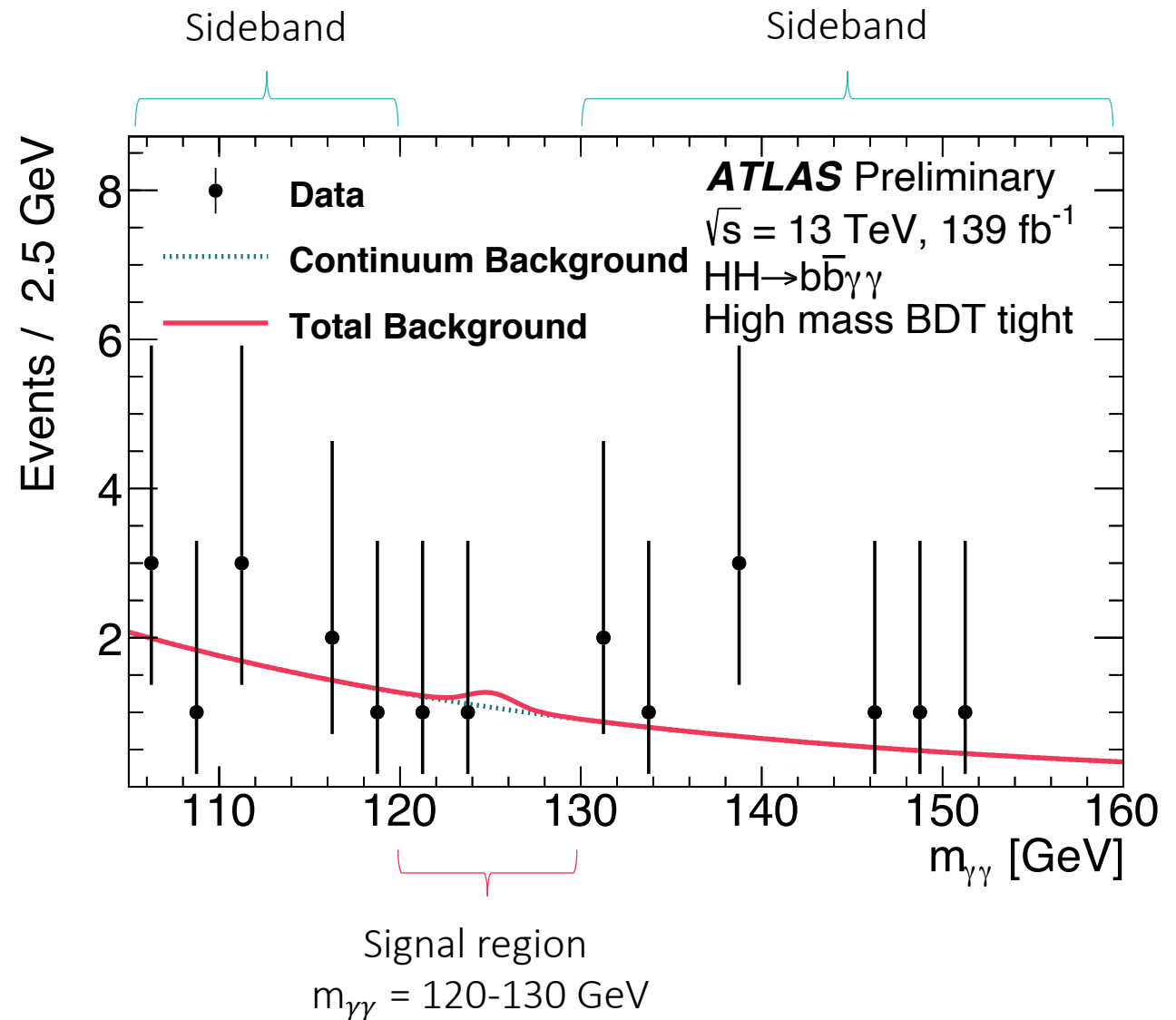
Normalization and shape for HH signal and single Higgs background models determined from fits to Monte Carlo simulation.

*Background model: Exponential function*

Shape chosen by fitting Monte Carlo simulation.  
Normalized to the data sidebands.

Spurious signal tests performed to estimate bias introduced by choice of functional form.

HH signal strength determined through maximum likelihood fit on  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  across all four BDT categories



# Extrapolation Procedure

1. Luminosity scaling to  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
2. Cross-sections scaled to adjust to 14 TeV

<b>Process</b>	<b>Scale factor</b>
<b>Signals</b>	
<i>ggF HH</i>	1.18
<i>VBF HH</i>	1.19
<b>Backgrounds</b>	
<i>ggF H</i>	1.13
<i>VBF H</i>	1.13
<i>WH</i>	1.10
<i>ZH</i>	1.12
<i>t<math>\bar{t}</math>H</i>	1.21
Others	1.18

Recommendations from Higgs HL-LHC WG

Increased gluon-luminosity

3. Systematic uncertainties updated (next page)

# Systematic Uncertainty Extrapolation

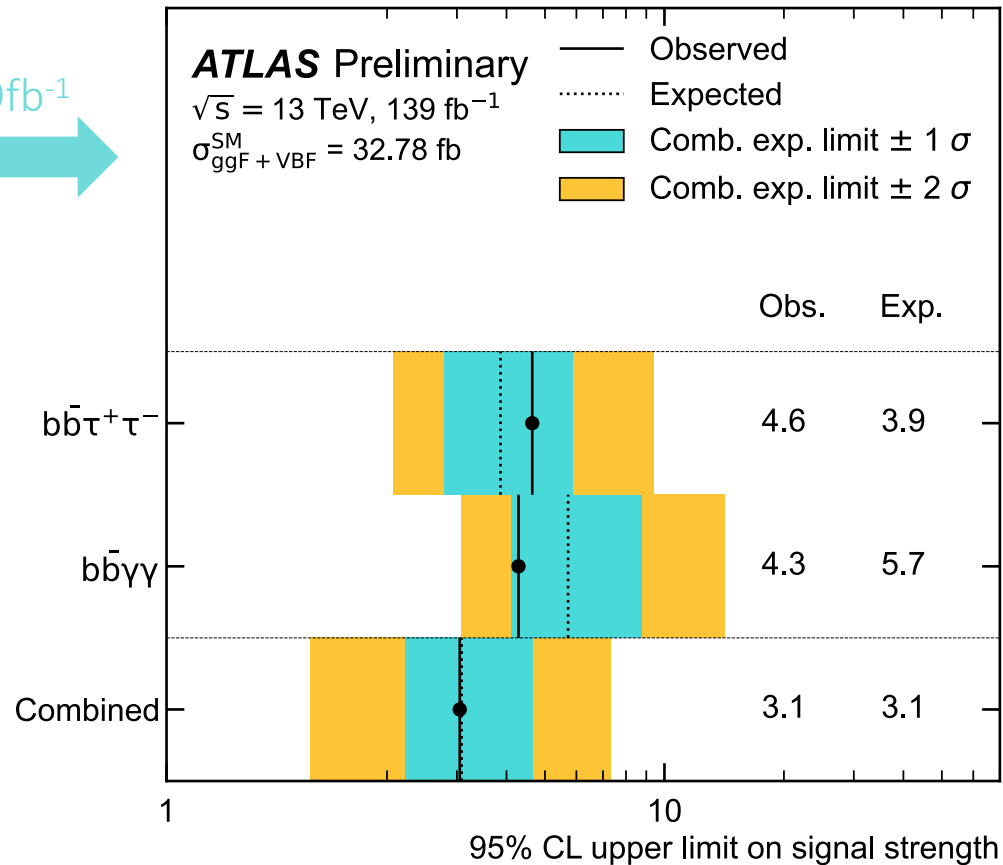
Source	Scale factor	$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	$b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$	
<b>Experimental Uncertainties</b>				
Luminosity	0.6	*	*	} Detector performance expected to remain similar, but uncertainties on heavy jet tagging expected to decrease
Photon efficiency (ID, trigger, isolation efficiency)	0.8	*	*	
Photon energy scale and resolution	1.0	*	*	
Jet energy scale and resolution, $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	1.0	*	*	
$b$ -jet tagging efficiency	0.5	*	*	
$c$ -jet tagging efficiency	0.5	*	*	
Light-jet tagging efficiency	1.0	*	*	
$\tau_{\text{had}}$ efficiency (statistical)	0.0		*	
$\tau_{\text{had}}$ efficiency (systematic)	1.0		*	
$\tau_{\text{had}}$ energy scale	1.0		*	
Fake- $\tau_{\text{had-vis}}$ estimation	1.0		*	
Value of $m_H$	0.08	*	*	
$\kappa_\lambda$ reweighting	0.0	*	*	
Spurious signal	0.0	*	*	
<b>Theoretical Uncertainties</b>	0.5	*	*	} Theory uncertainties halved

# Projected Limits on HH Signal Strength

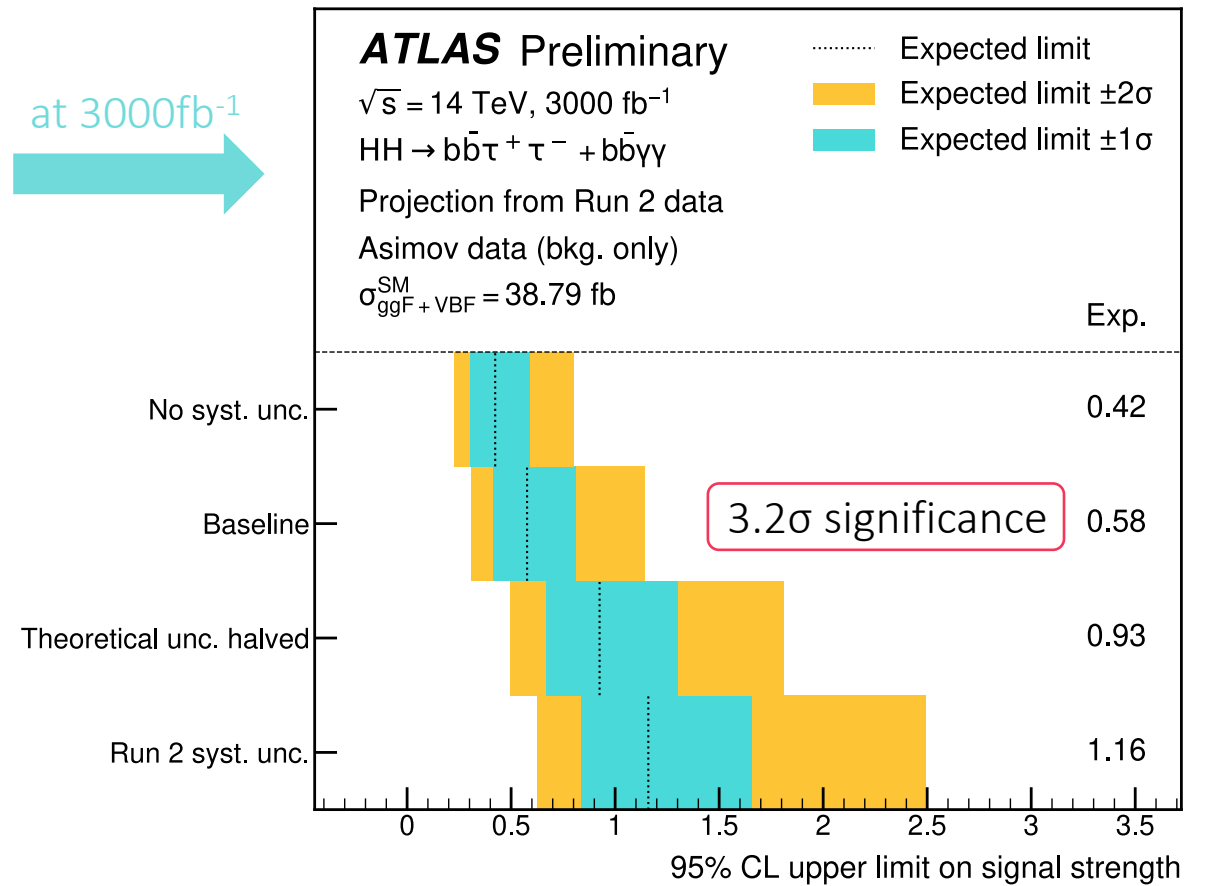
Interpretation: If no HH signal is observed, can place the following limits at 95% confidence level

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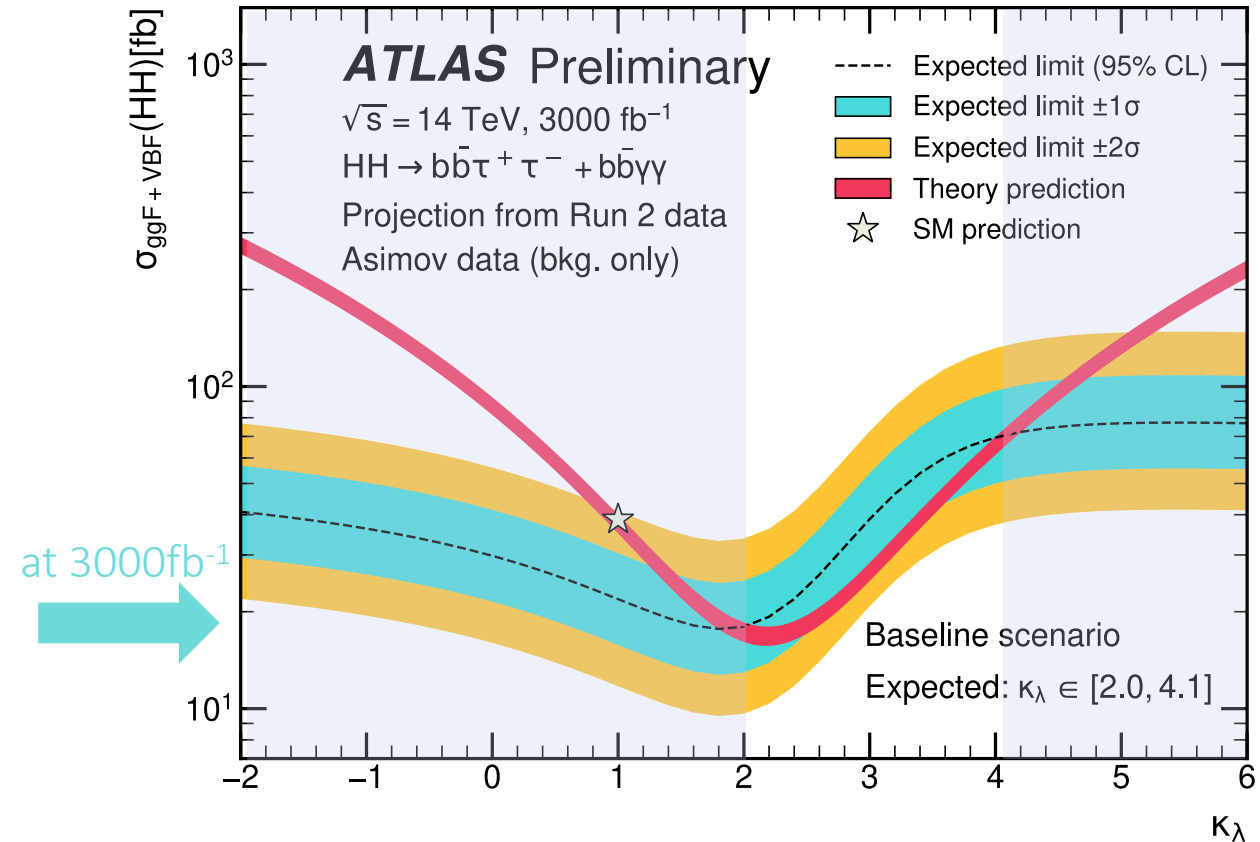
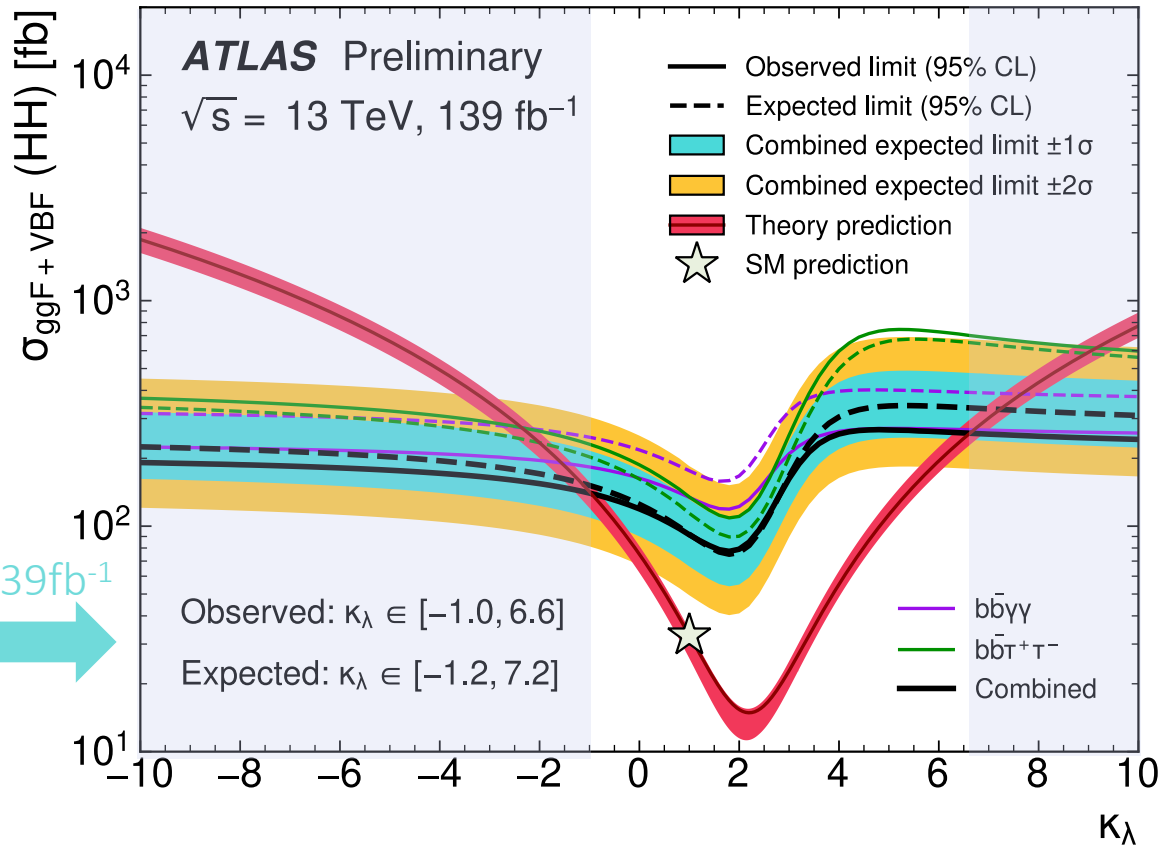
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# Projected Constraints on Higgs Boson Self-Coupling

Interpretation: If no HH signal is observed, can place the following constraints at 95% confidence level

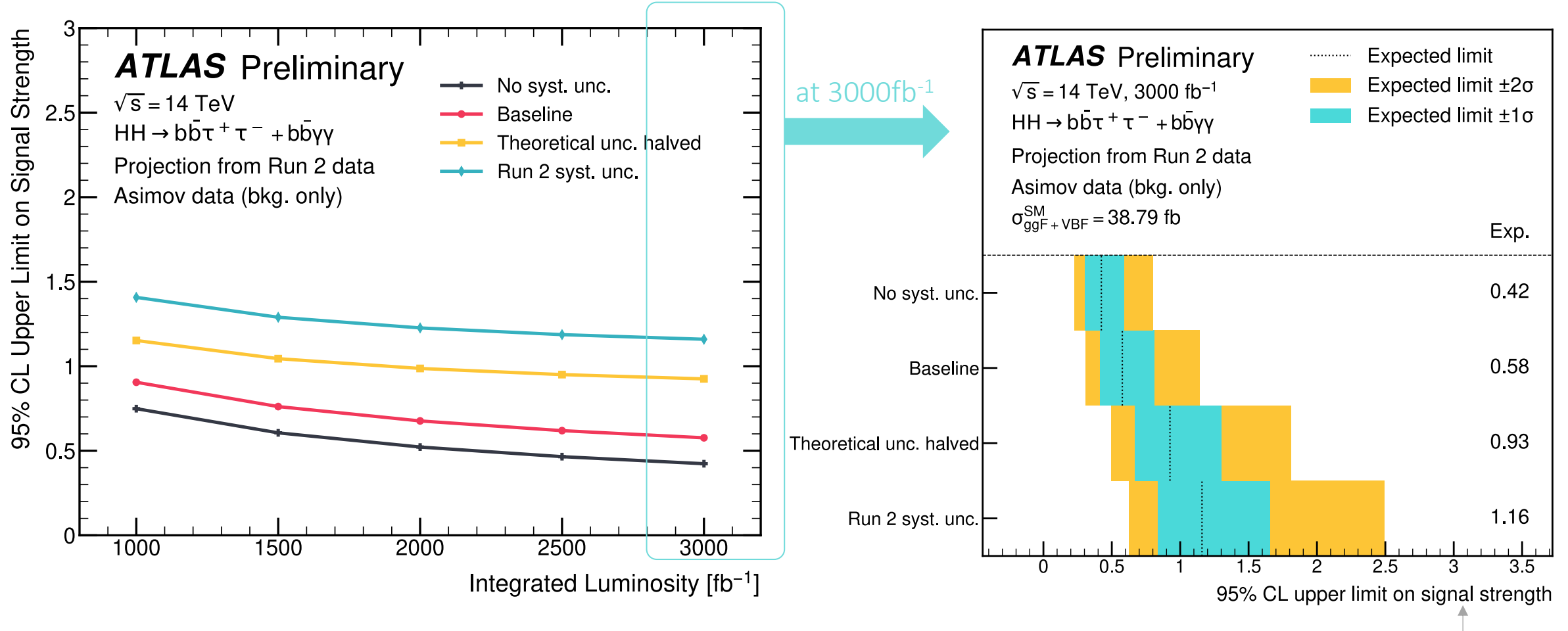
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Note:  $\kappa_\lambda=1$  expected to be excluded during HL-LHC if we see no evidence of SM HH production

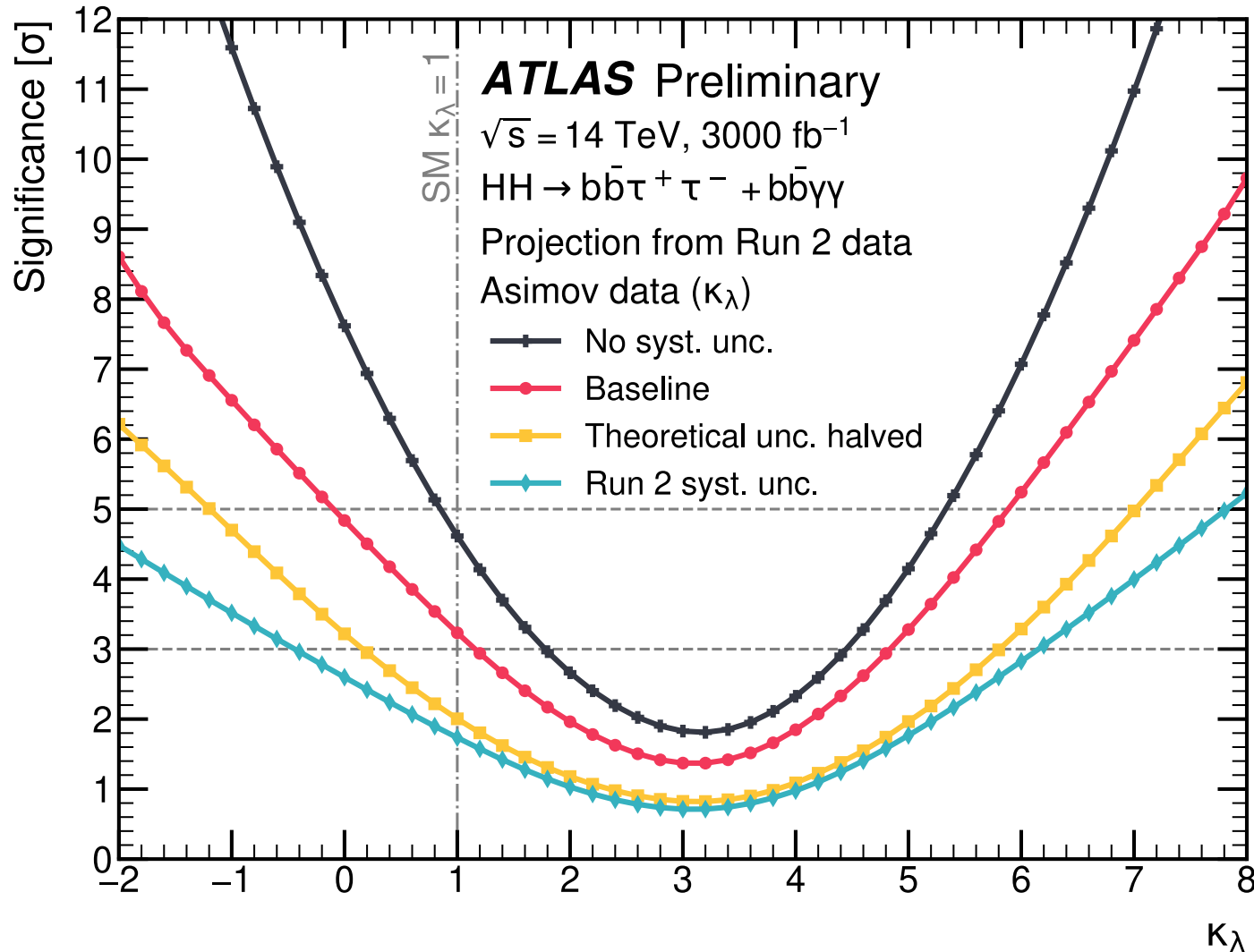
# Upper Limits on SM Signal Strength

Interpretation: If no HH signal is observed, can place the following limits at 95% confidence level





# Significance as a function of $k_\lambda$ - Combined

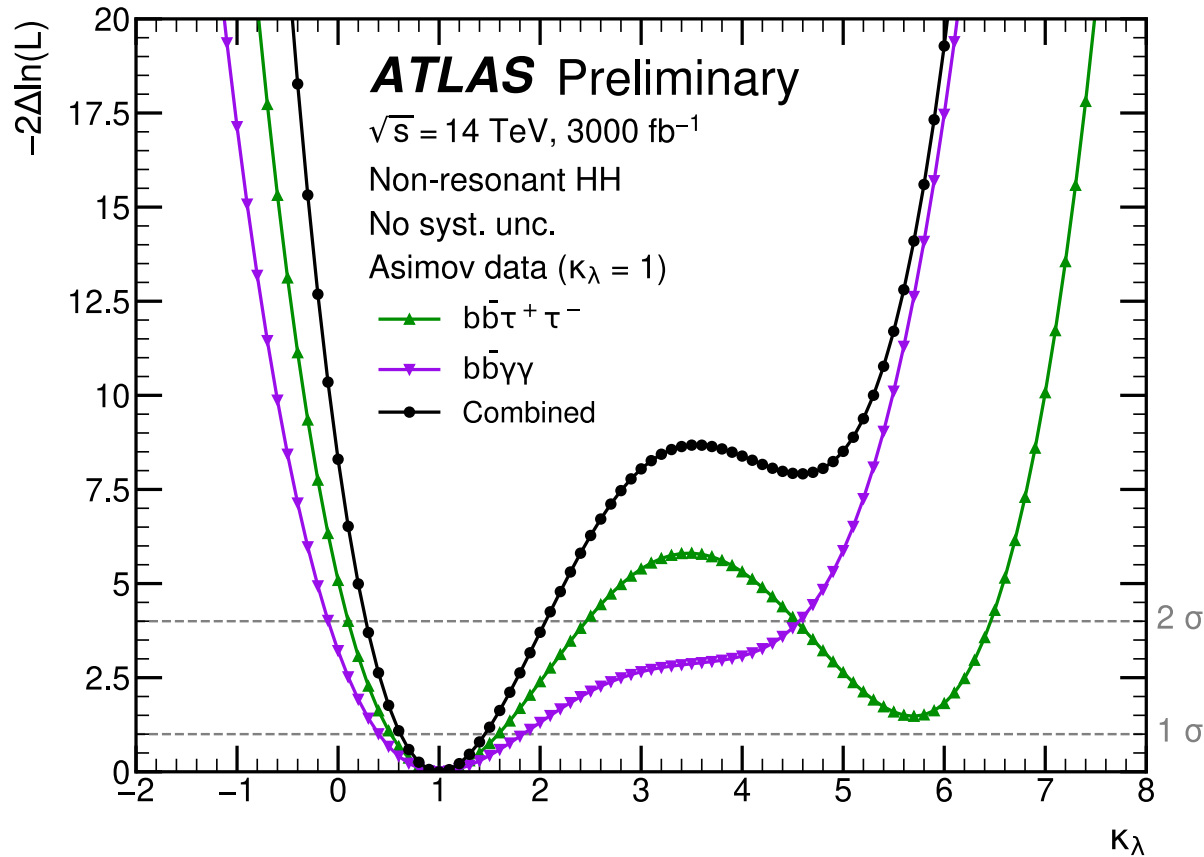


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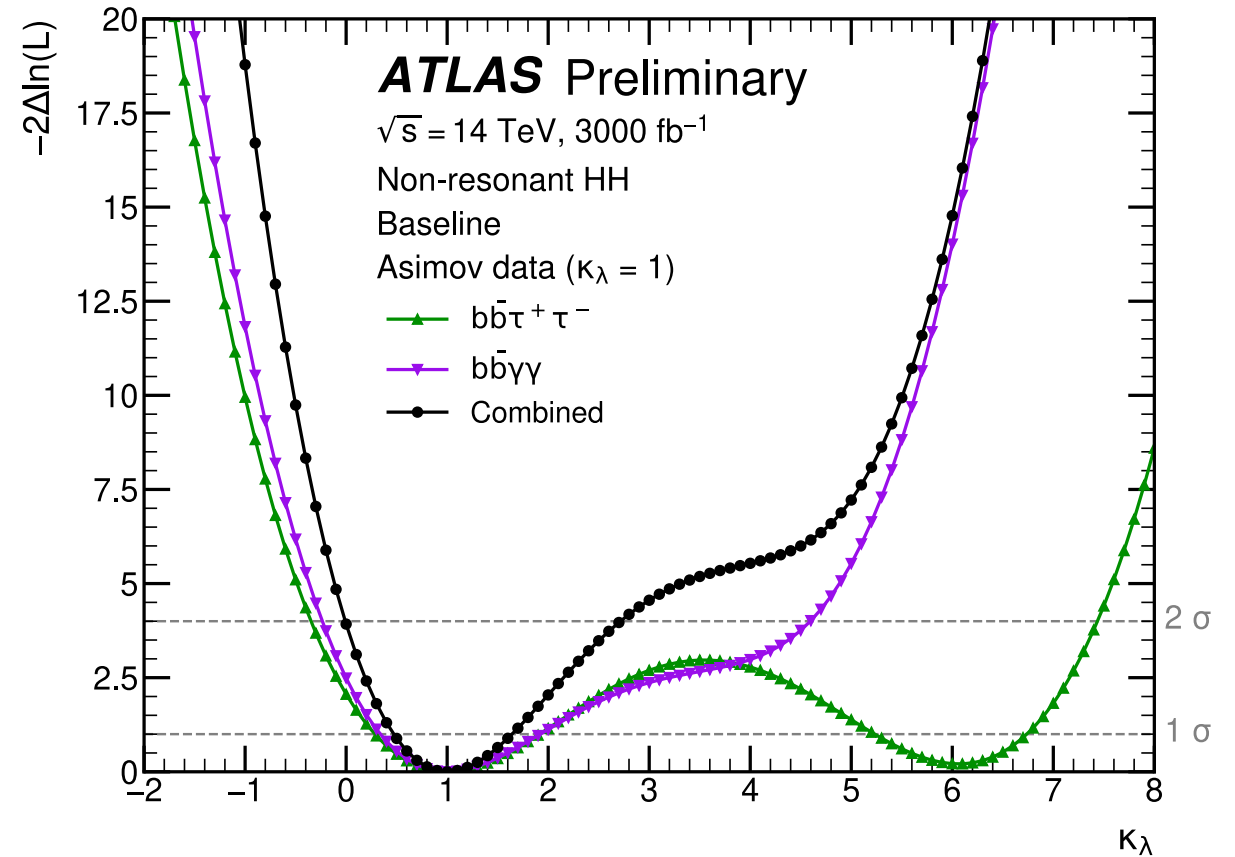
If HH signal present at these  $\kappa_\lambda$  values, expect to measure the signal with the shown significance.

# Likelihood Scan – Different Scenarios

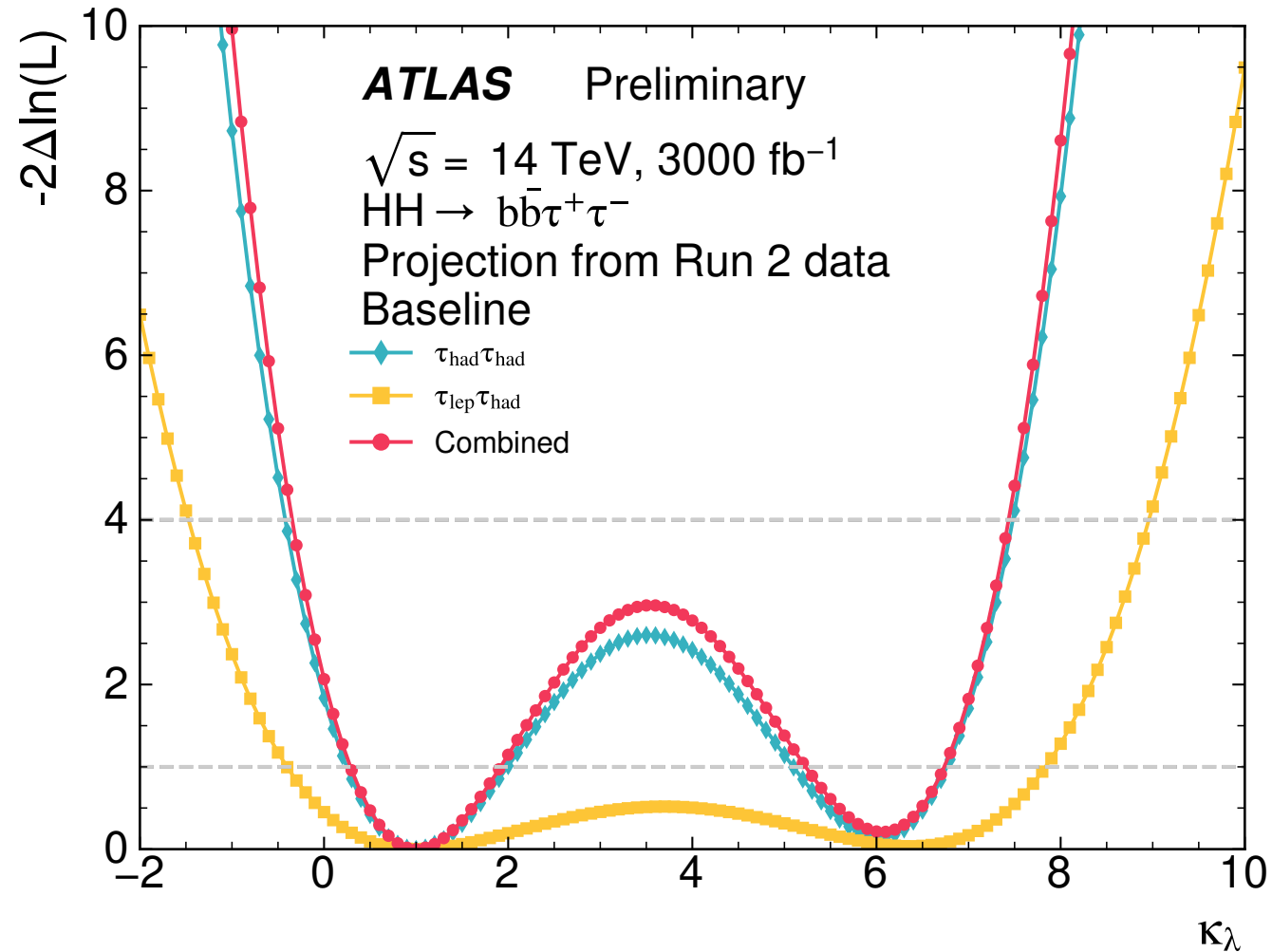
No Systematics



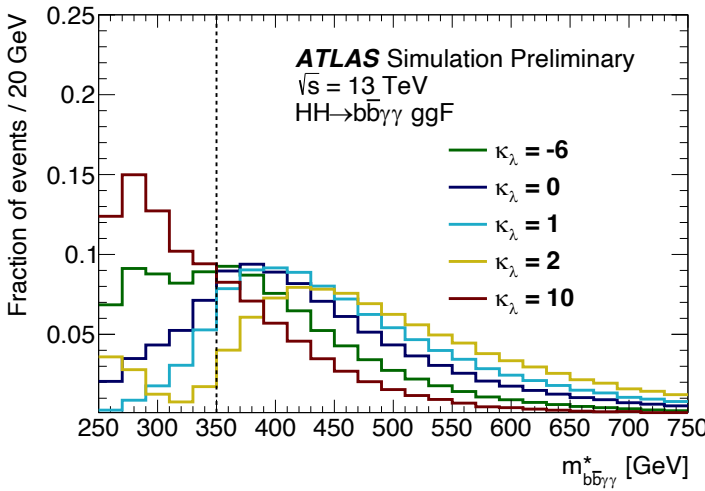
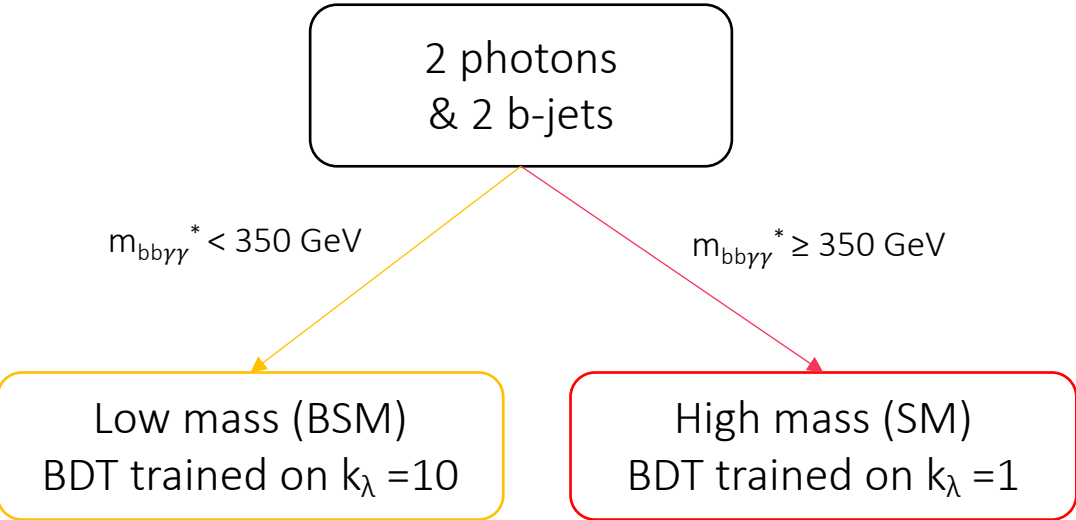
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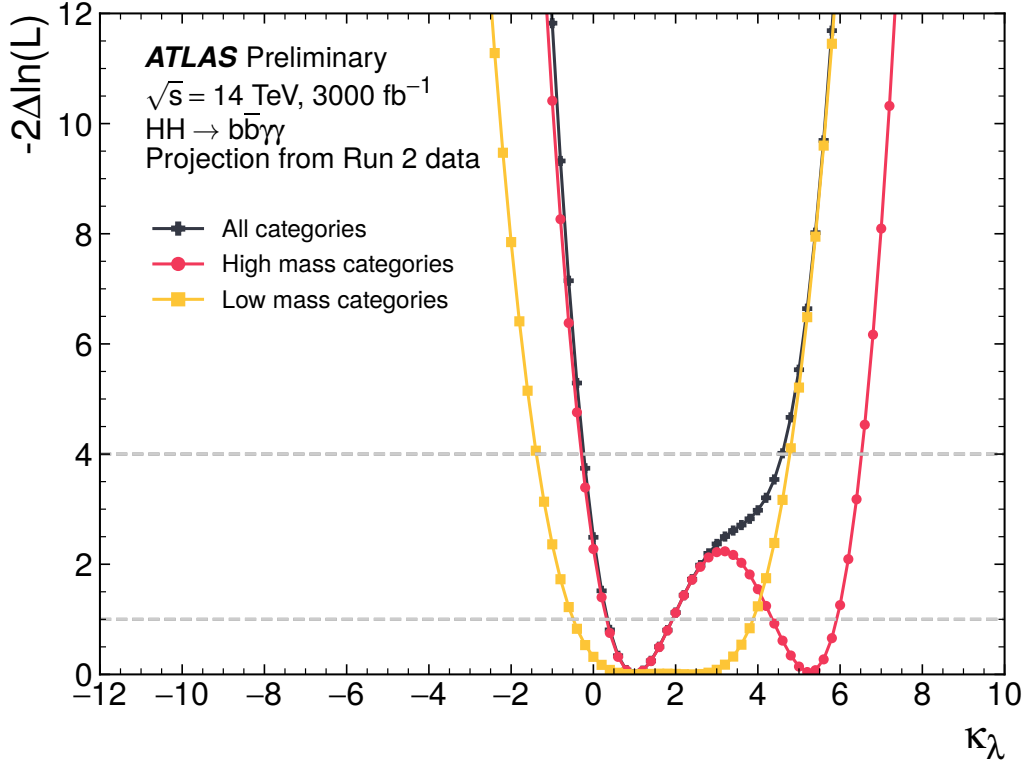
# Effect of Different Channels - $bb\tau\tau$



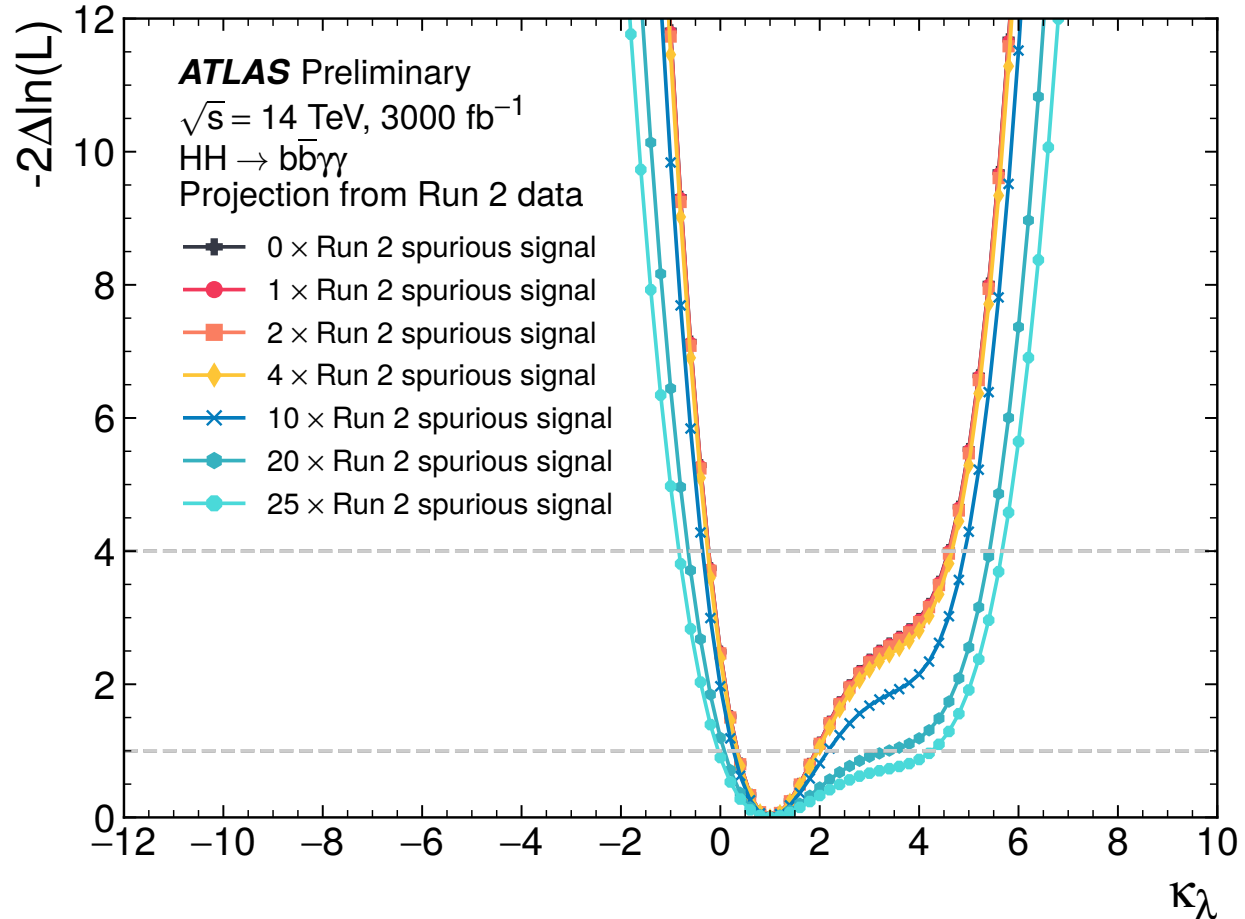
# Effect of Different Analysis Categories - $bb\gamma\gamma$



$$m_{bb\gamma\gamma}^* = m_{bb\gamma\gamma} - m_{bb} - m_{\gamma\gamma} + 250 \text{ GeV}$$



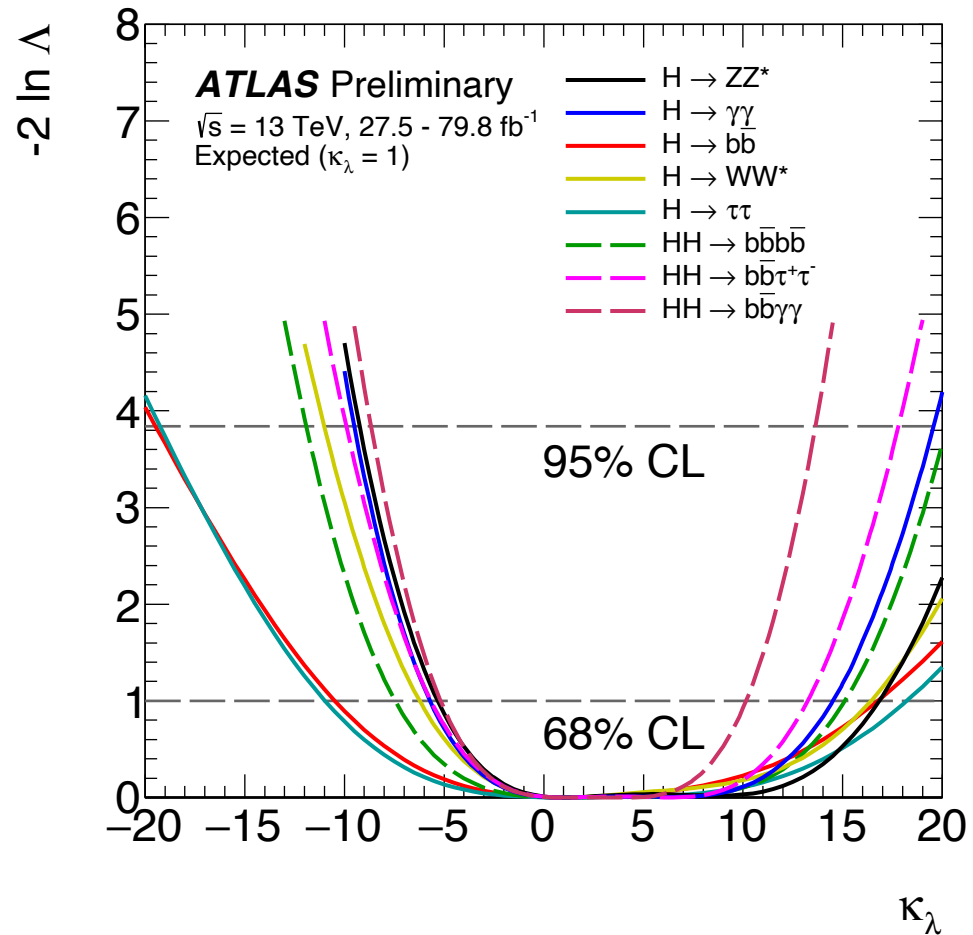
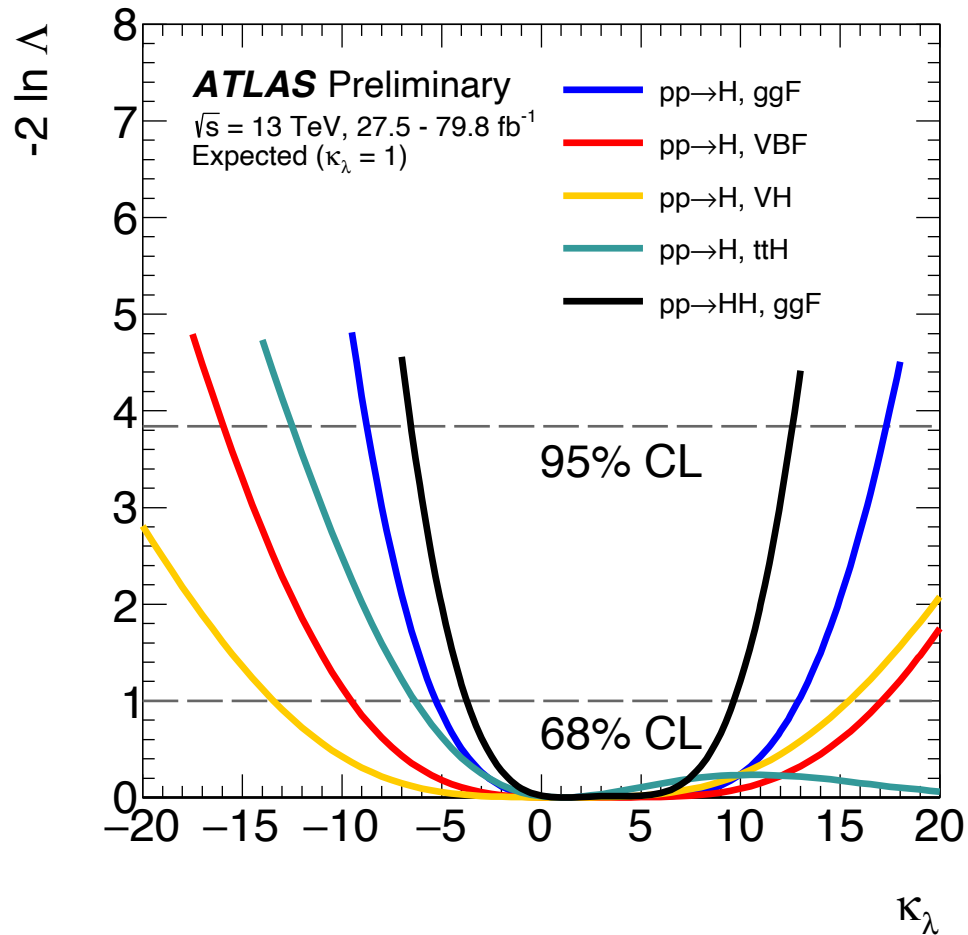
# Spurious Signal Studies - $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$



Spurious signal scaling	Effect on Baseline combined significance
0x	0
4x	<1%
25x	<10%

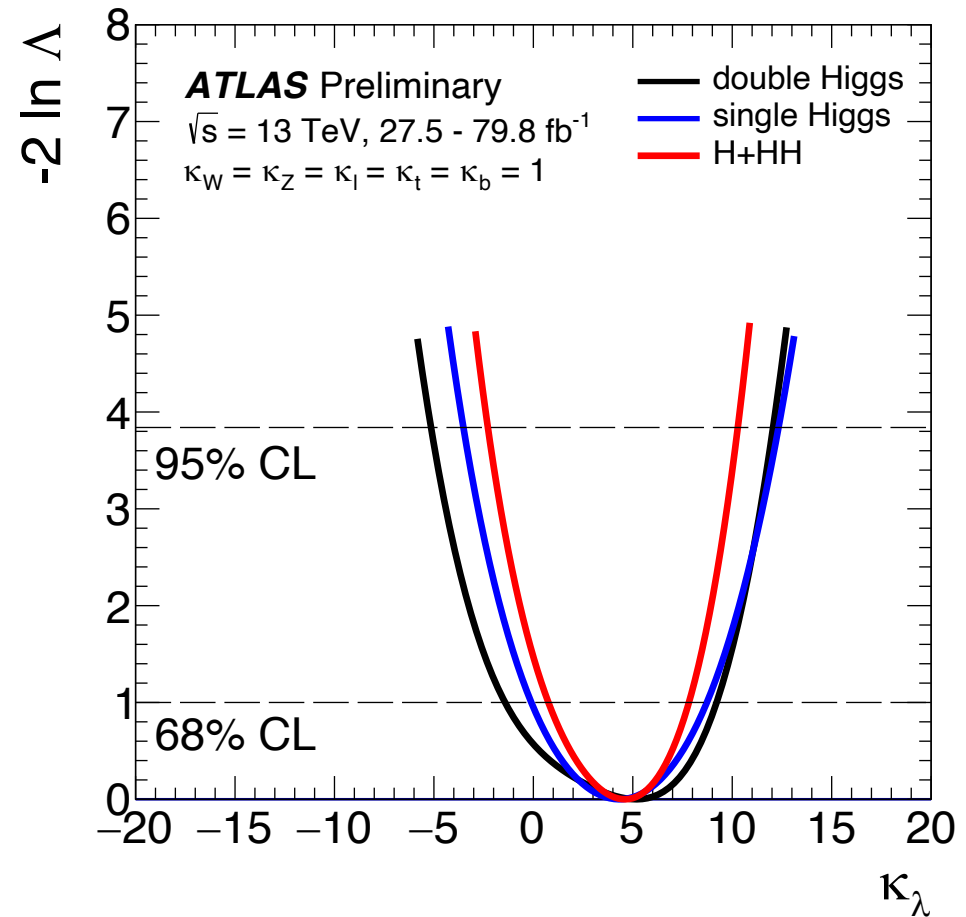
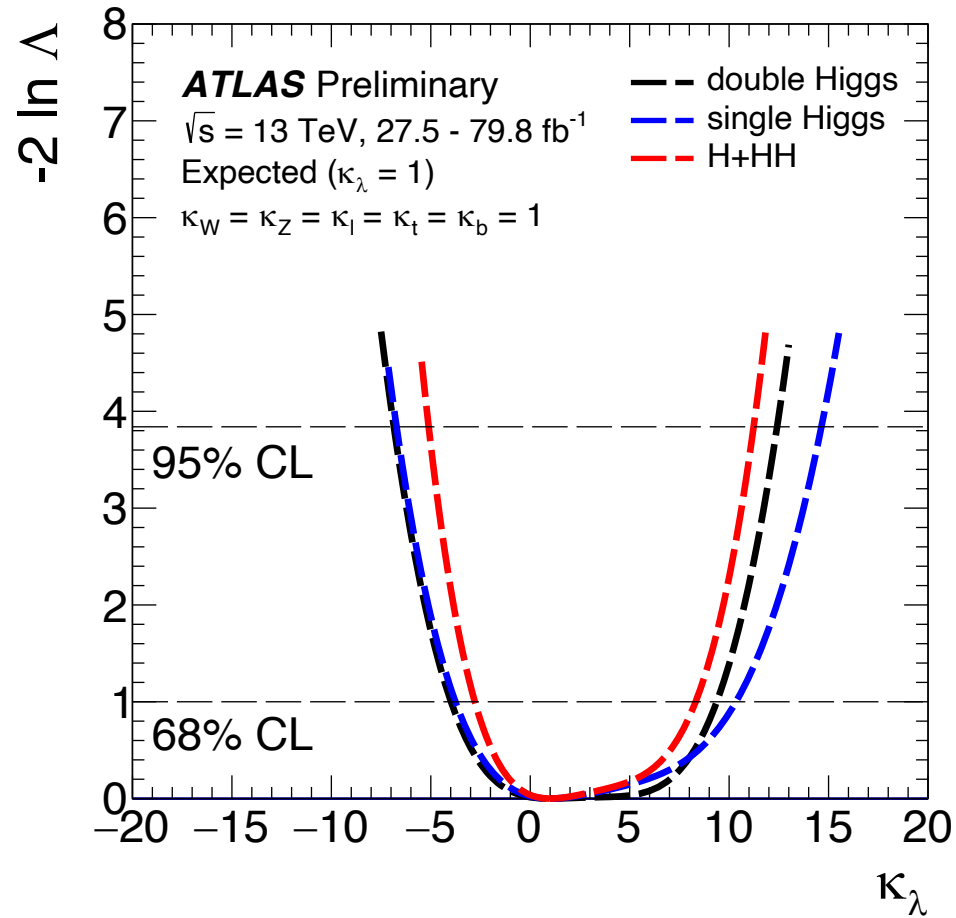
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# Dominant Systematic Uncertainties $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ - Full Run 2

Variation on the upper limit on the signal strength when re-evaluating the profile likelihood ratio after fixing the nuisance parameter in question to its best-fit value increased or decreased by one standard deviation, while all remaining nuisance parameters remain free to float.

		Relative impact of the systematic uncertainties in %	
Source	Type	Non-resonant analysis $HH$	Resonant analysis $m_X = 300$ GeV
Experimental			
Photon energy scale	Norm. + Shape	5.2	2.7
Photon energy resolution	Norm. + Shape	1.8	1.6
Flavor tagging	Normalization	0.5	< 0.5
Theoretical			
Heavy flavor content	Normalization	1.5	< 0.5
Higgs boson mass	Norm. + Shape	1.8	< 0.5
PDF+ $\alpha_s$	Normalization	0.7	< 0.5
Spurious signal	Normalization	5.5	5.4



# Dominant Uncertainties $bb\tau\tau$ - Full Run 2

Relative contributions to the uncertainty in the extracted signal cross-sections, as determined in the likelihood fit to data.

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Uncertainty source	Non-resonant $HH$
<b>Data statistical</b>	81%
<b>Systematic</b>	59%
$t\bar{t}$ and $Z + \text{HF}$ normalisations	4%
MC statistical	28%
<b>Experimental</b>	
Jet and $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	7%
$b$ -jet tagging	3%
$\tau_{\text{had-vis}}$	5%
Electrons and muons	2%
Luminosity and pileup	3%
<b>Theoretical and modelling</b>	
Fake- $\tau_{\text{had-vis}}$	9%
Top-quark	24%
$Z(\rightarrow \tau\tau) + \text{HF}$	9%
Single Higgs boson	29%
Other backgrounds	3%
Signal	5%

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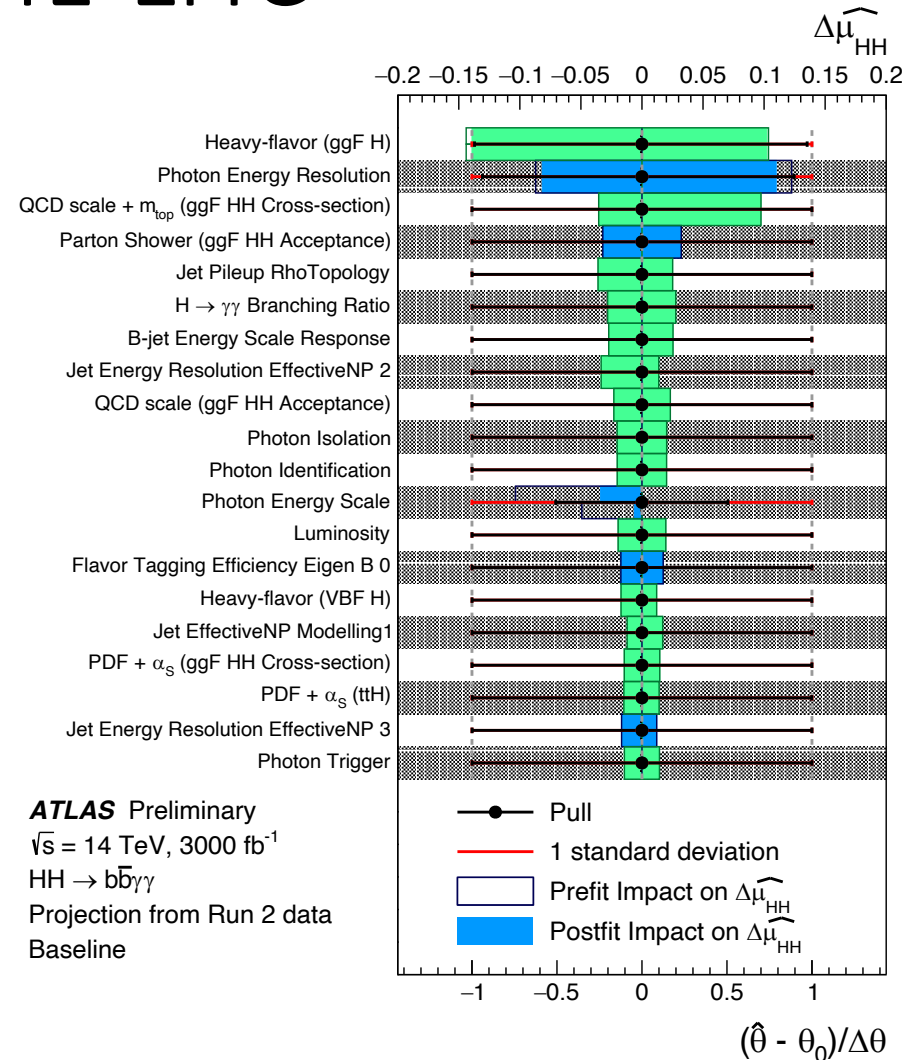
# Dominant Systematics @ HL-LHC

Theory uncertainties:

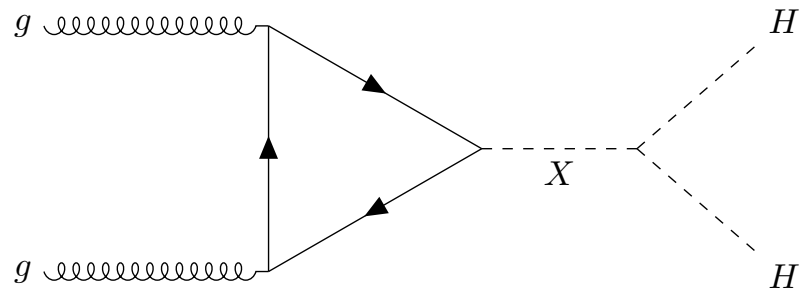
- ggF H (in association with b, or c)
- Wt tt interference (bb $\tau\tau$ )
- ggF HH cross-section

Experimental uncertainties

- MC statistical uncertainties (bb $\tau\tau$ )
- Spurious signal, background modelling (bb $\gamma\gamma$ )
- Photon energy resolution

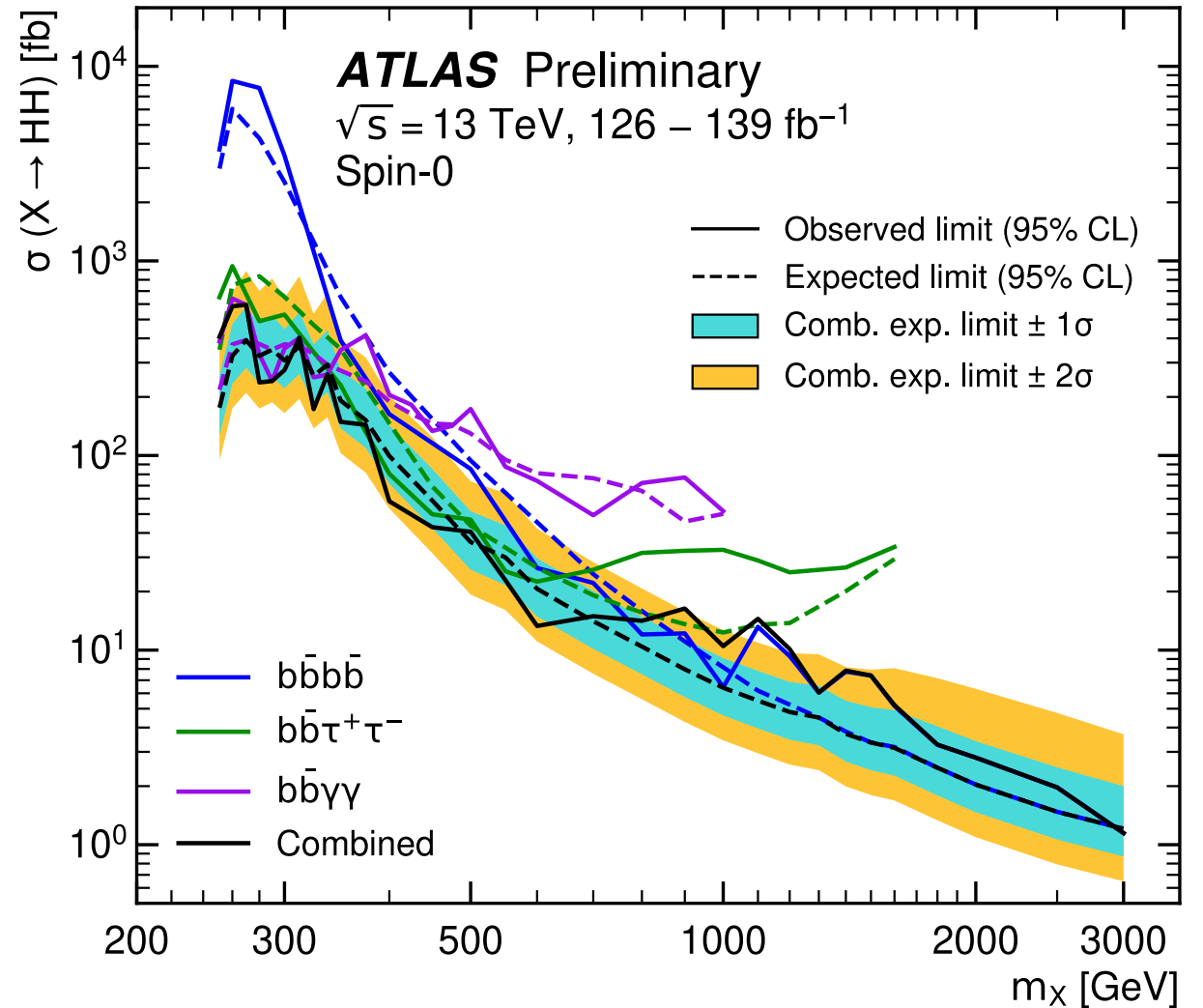


# Resonant Run 2 Combined Results

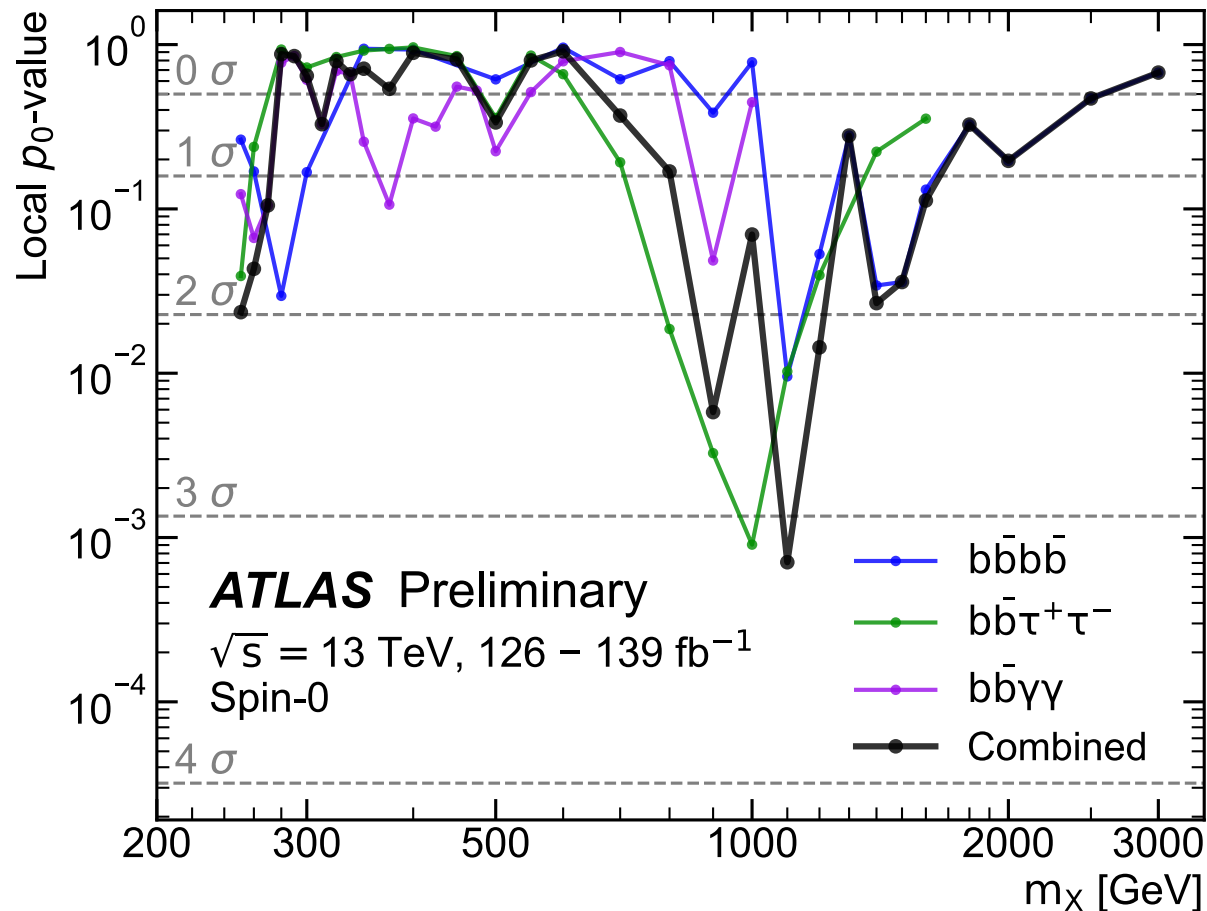


Discontinuity in region  $m_X < 400$  GeV is due to partial availability of limits across all analyses.  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  is the only analysis to provide limits at certain low resonance mass points.

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# Resonant Run 2 Combination - Largest Excess



Largest excess in  $m_\chi$  in  $\sim 1100 \text{ GeV}$  region

At  $m_\chi = 1100 \text{ GeV}$ :

Local significance =  $3.2 \sigma$

Global significance =  $2.1 \sigma$

Combination - ATLAS-CONF-2021-052

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# Conclusions and outlook for the future:

From Yellow Report: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.00134>

	Statistical-only		Statistical + Systematic	
	ATLAS	CMS	ATLAS	CMS
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$	1.4	1.2	0.61	0.95
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau$	2.5	1.6	2.1	1.4
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	2.1	1.8	2.0	1.8
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}VV(ll\nu\nu)$	-	0.59	-	0.56
$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}ZZ(4l)$	-	0.37	-	0.37
combined	3.5	2.8	3.0	2.6
	Combined 4.5		Combined 4.0	

Our latest result improves on this significance with just two channels!

