



# HIGGS POTENTIAL 2024

## HIGGS POTENTIAL AND BSM OPPORTUNITIES

# Higgs precision measurements at LHC

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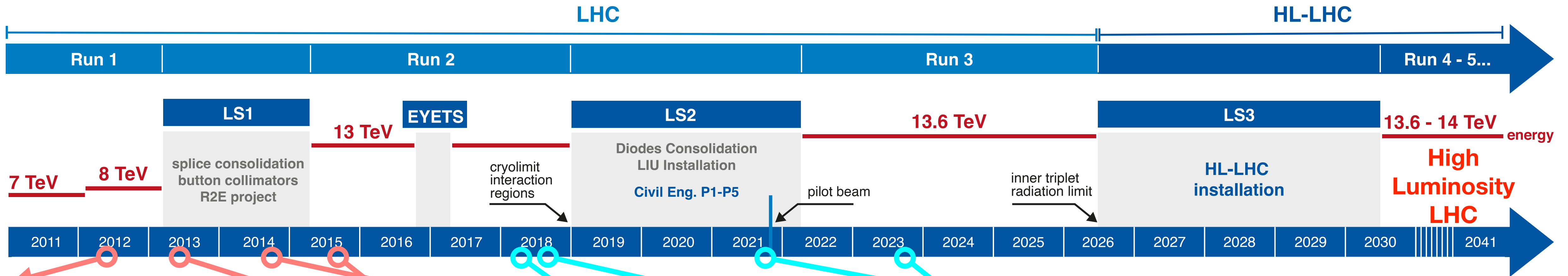
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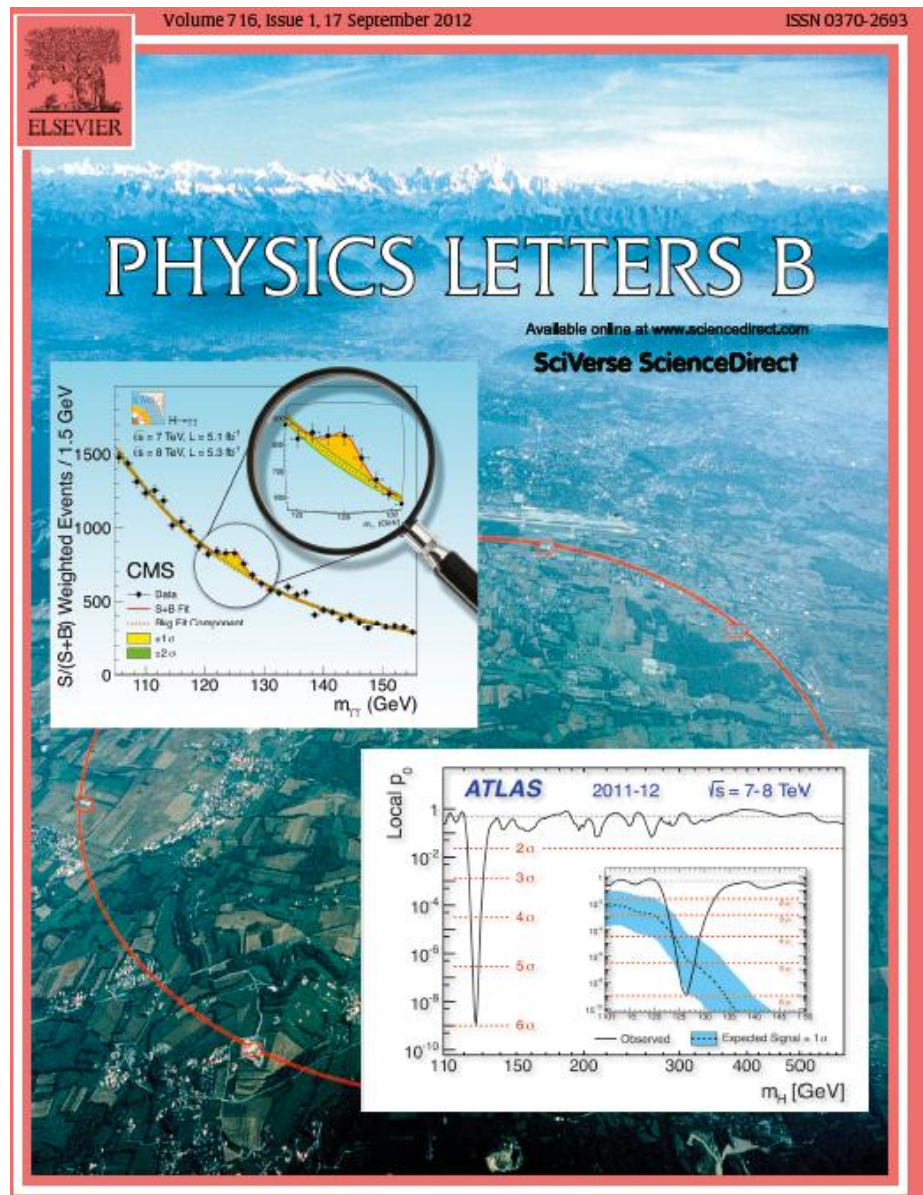


# Roadmap of Higgs boson measurements

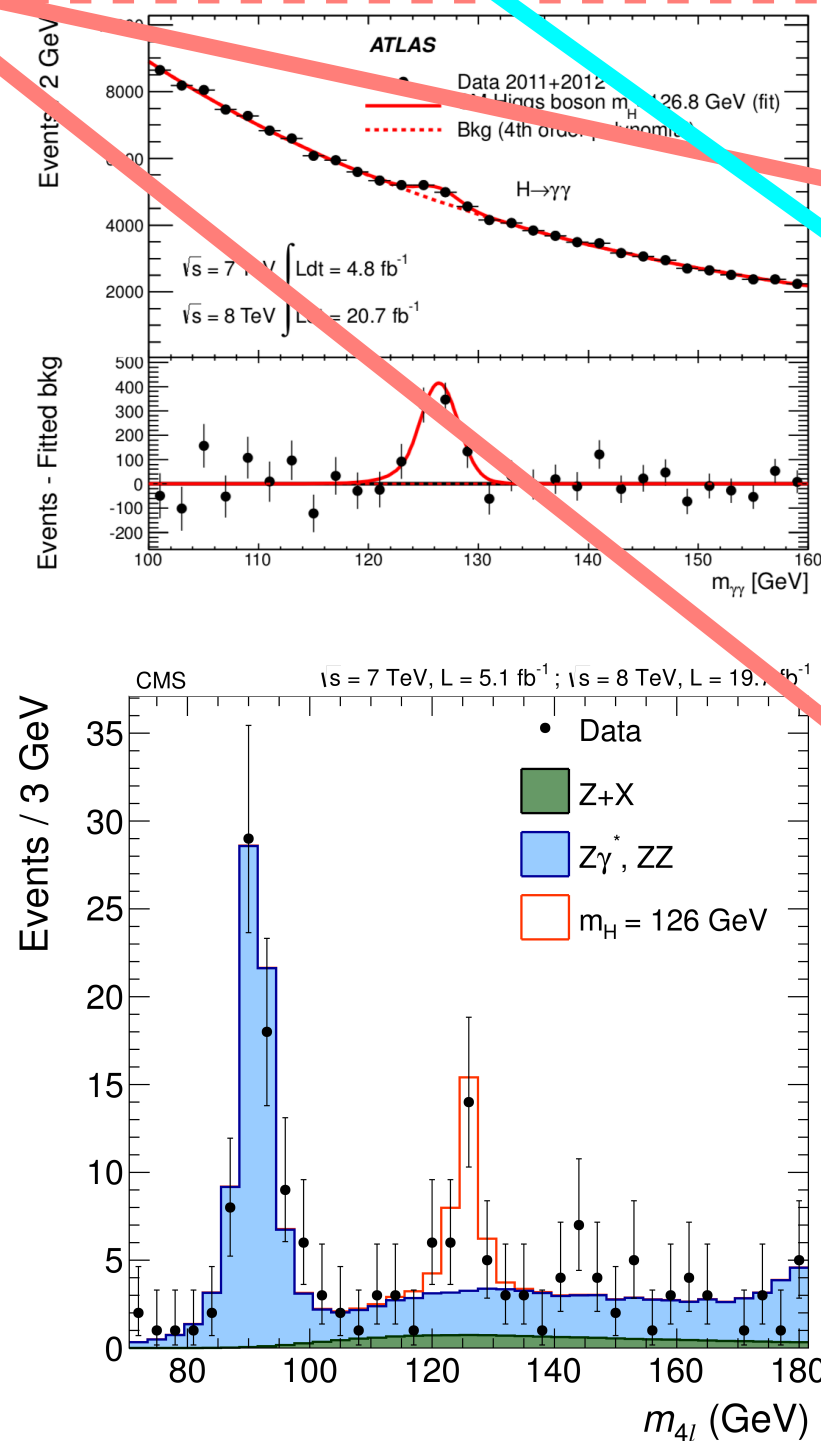
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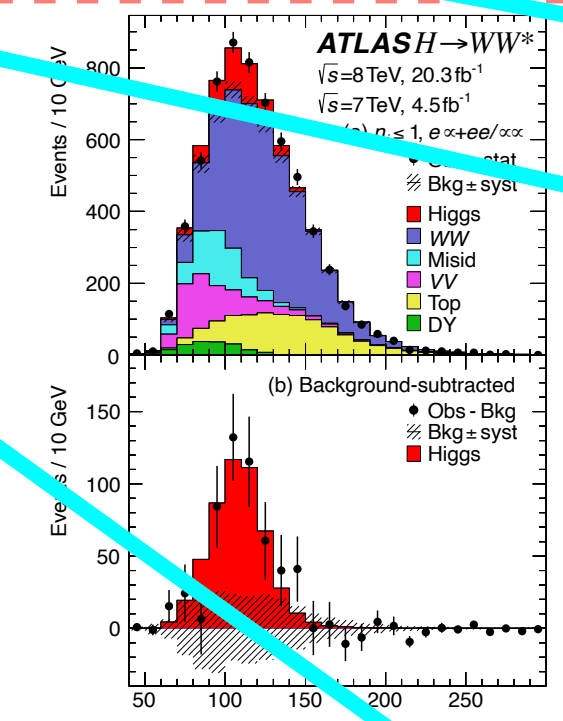
**SM-like Higgs discovery**  
( $ggF$   $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + ZZ + WW$ )



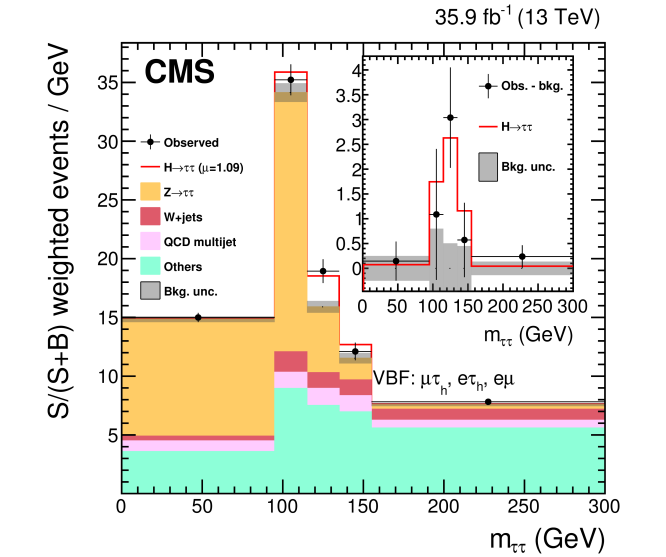
**$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, ZZ \rightarrow 4l$  observation, Spin-0**



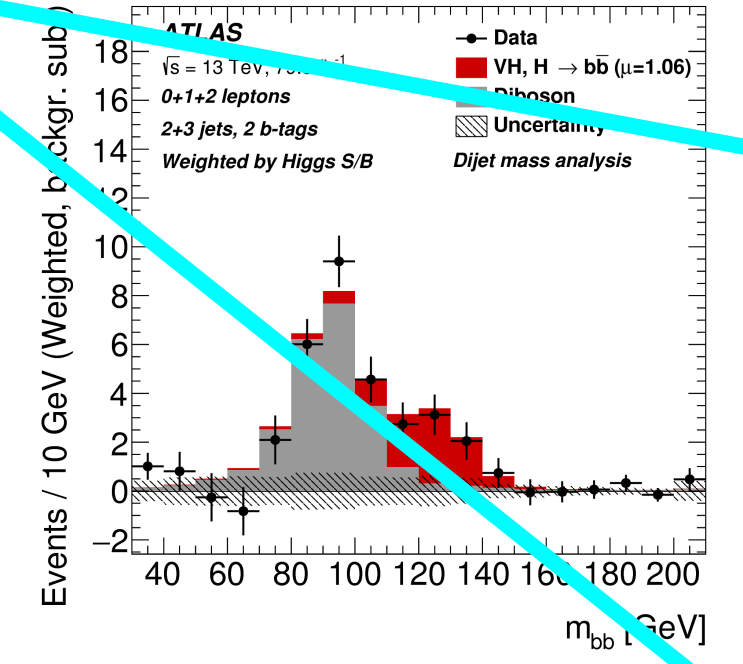
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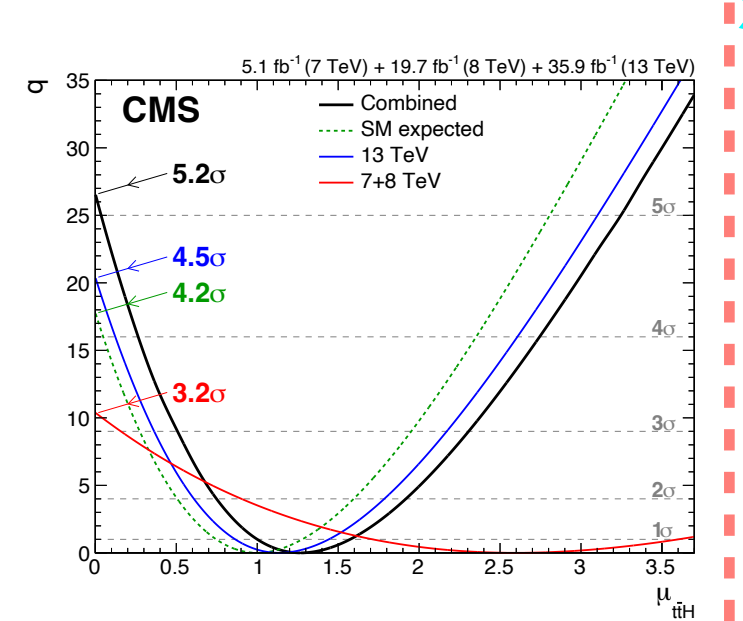
**VBF H obs.,  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  obs.**



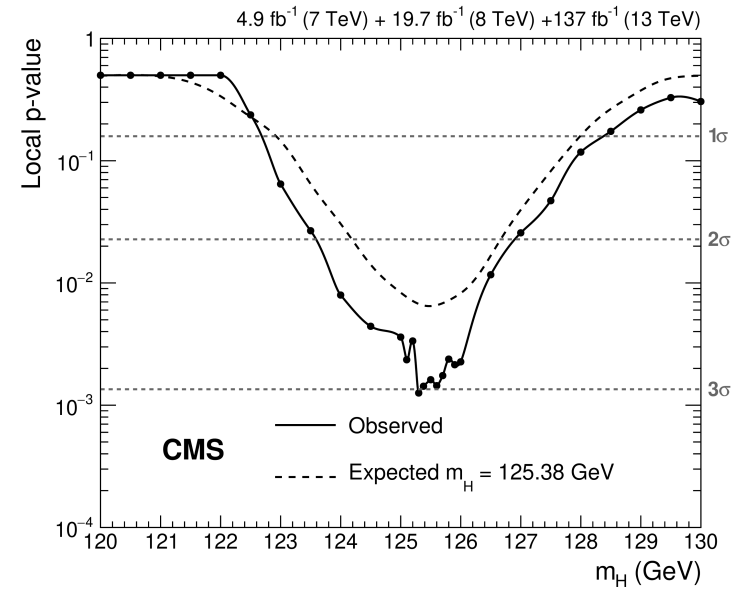
**VH,  $H \rightarrow bb$  obs.**



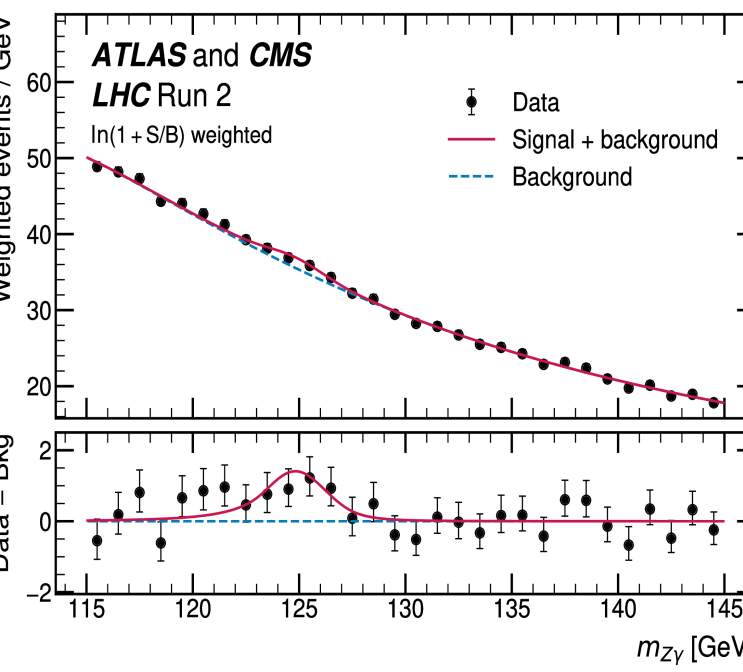
**ttH observation**



**$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$  evidence**

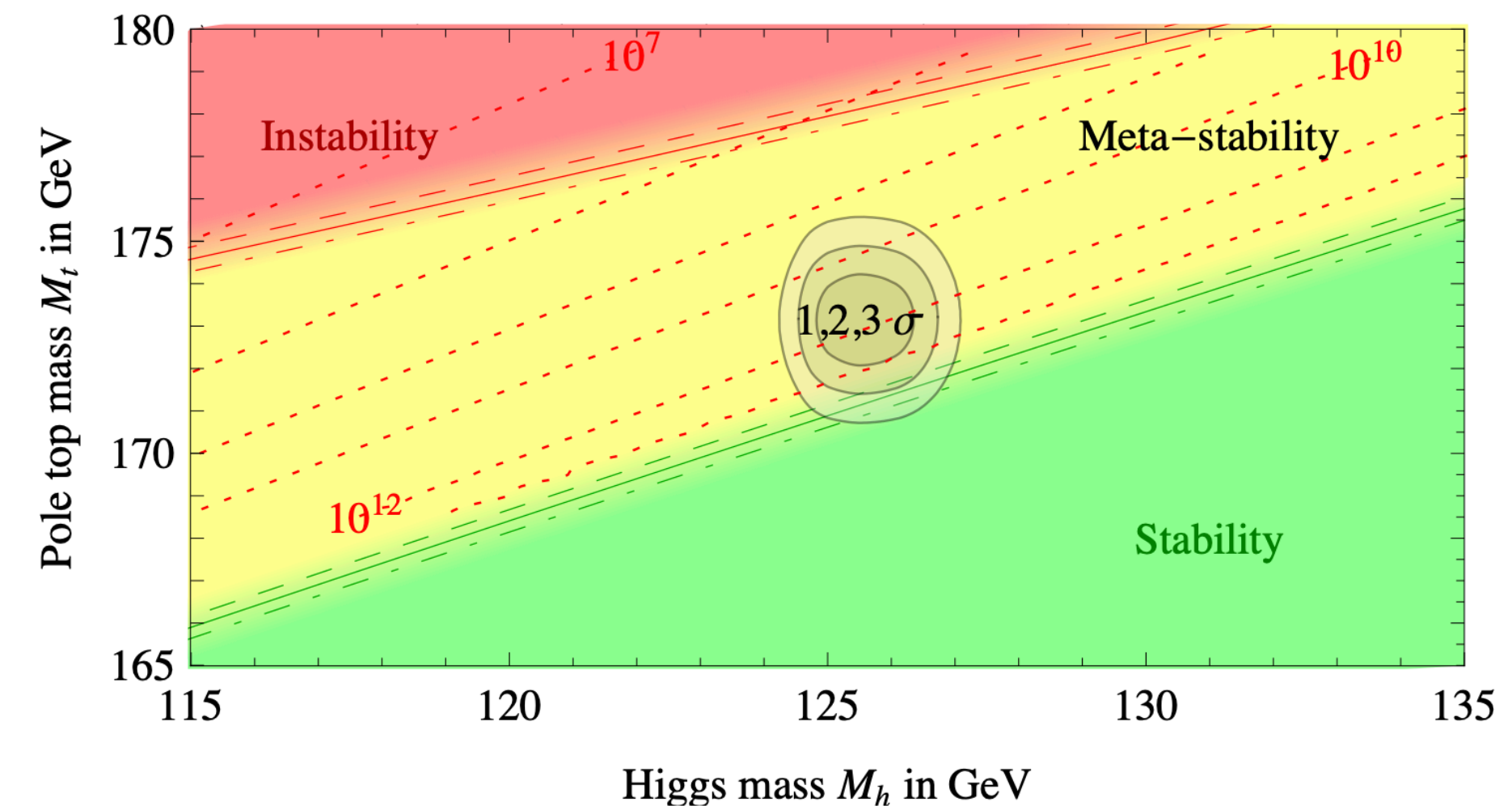
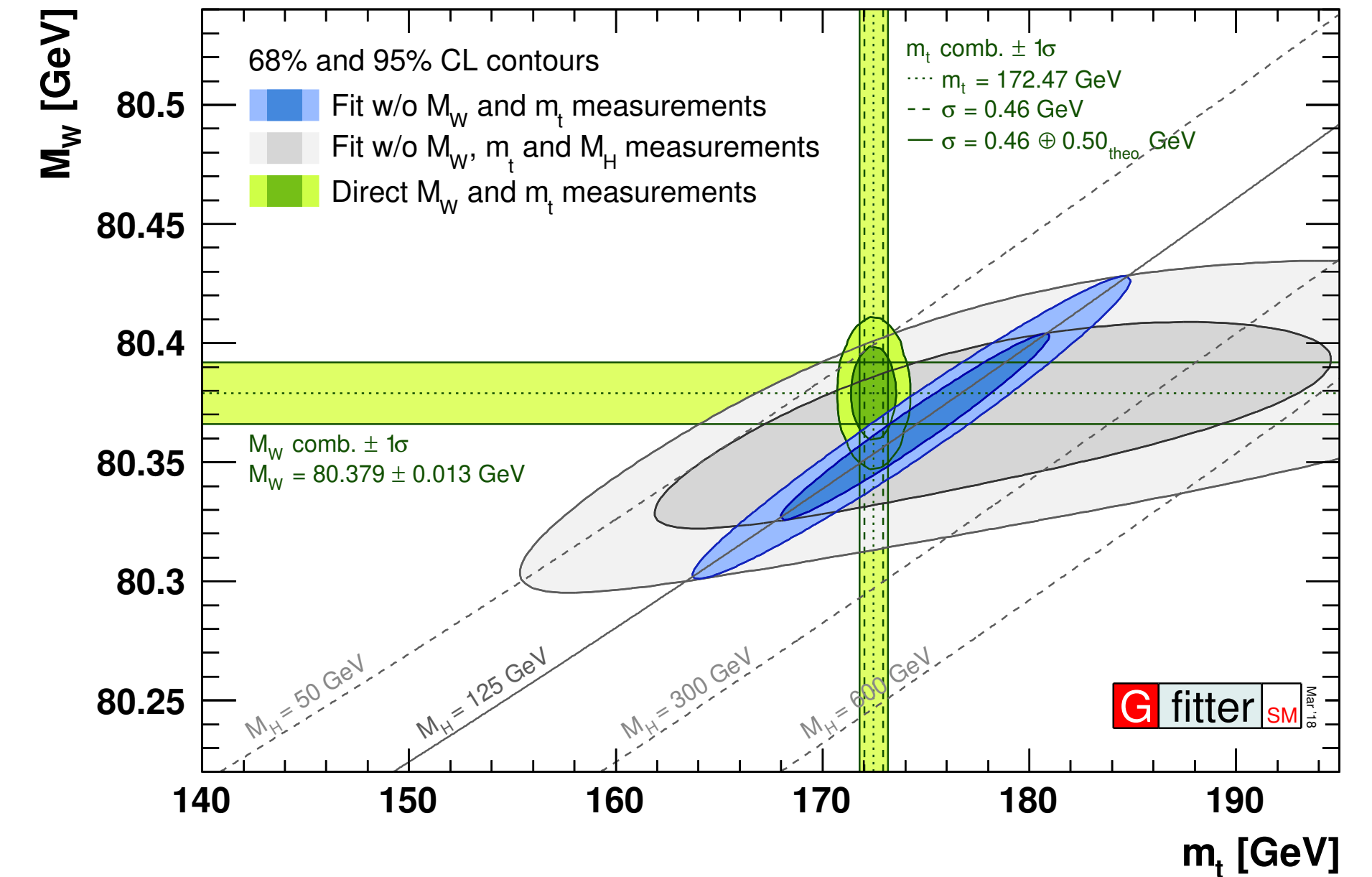


**$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$  evidence**



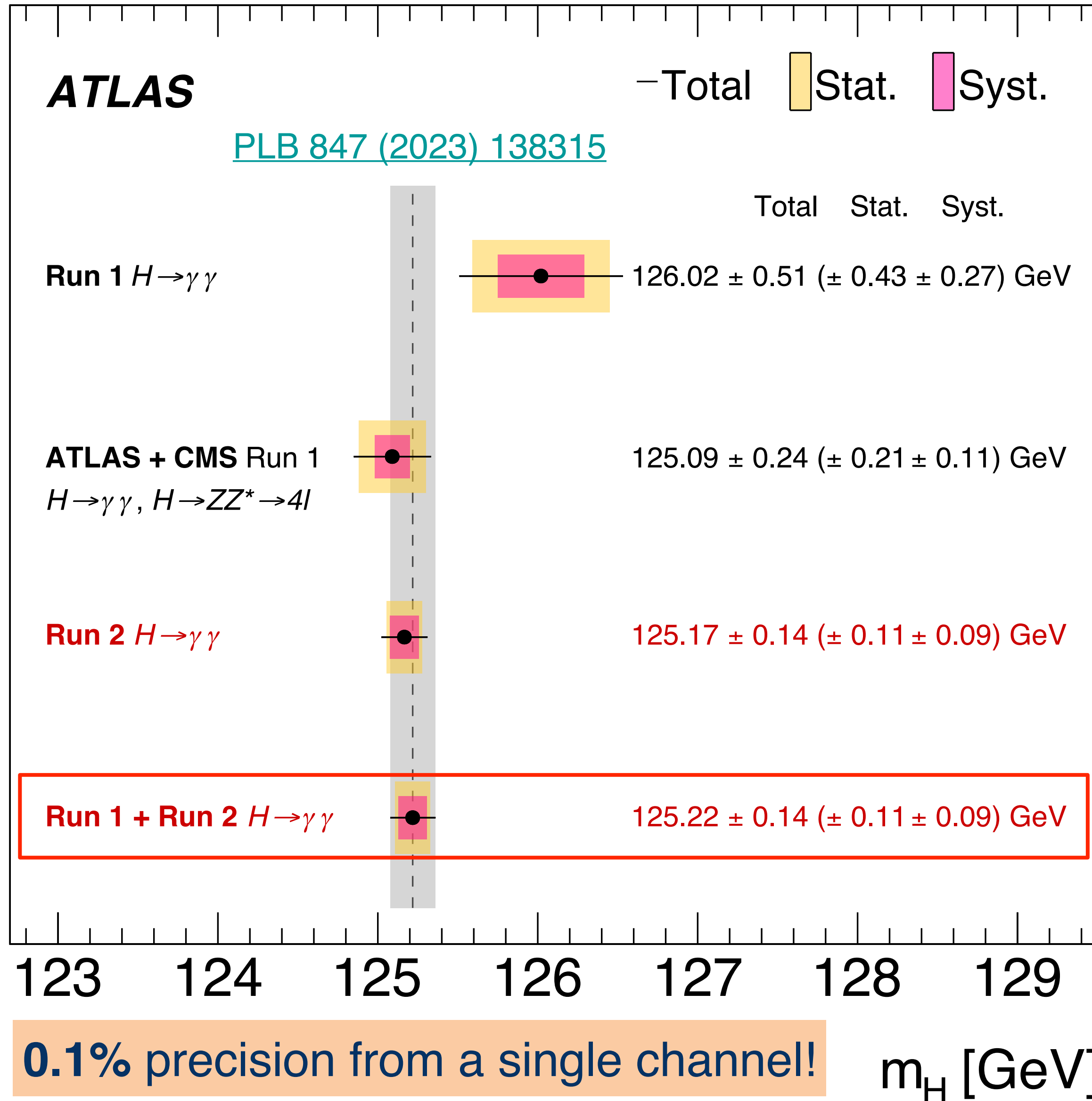
# Mass measurement

- Fundamental free parameter of SM, important for validation of SM consistency, understanding vacuum stability etc.
- **Mainly an experimental effort: “final exam” of detector performance (e/γ/μ)**
  - Theory inputs (e.g. interference between Higgs boson and continuum) also important!



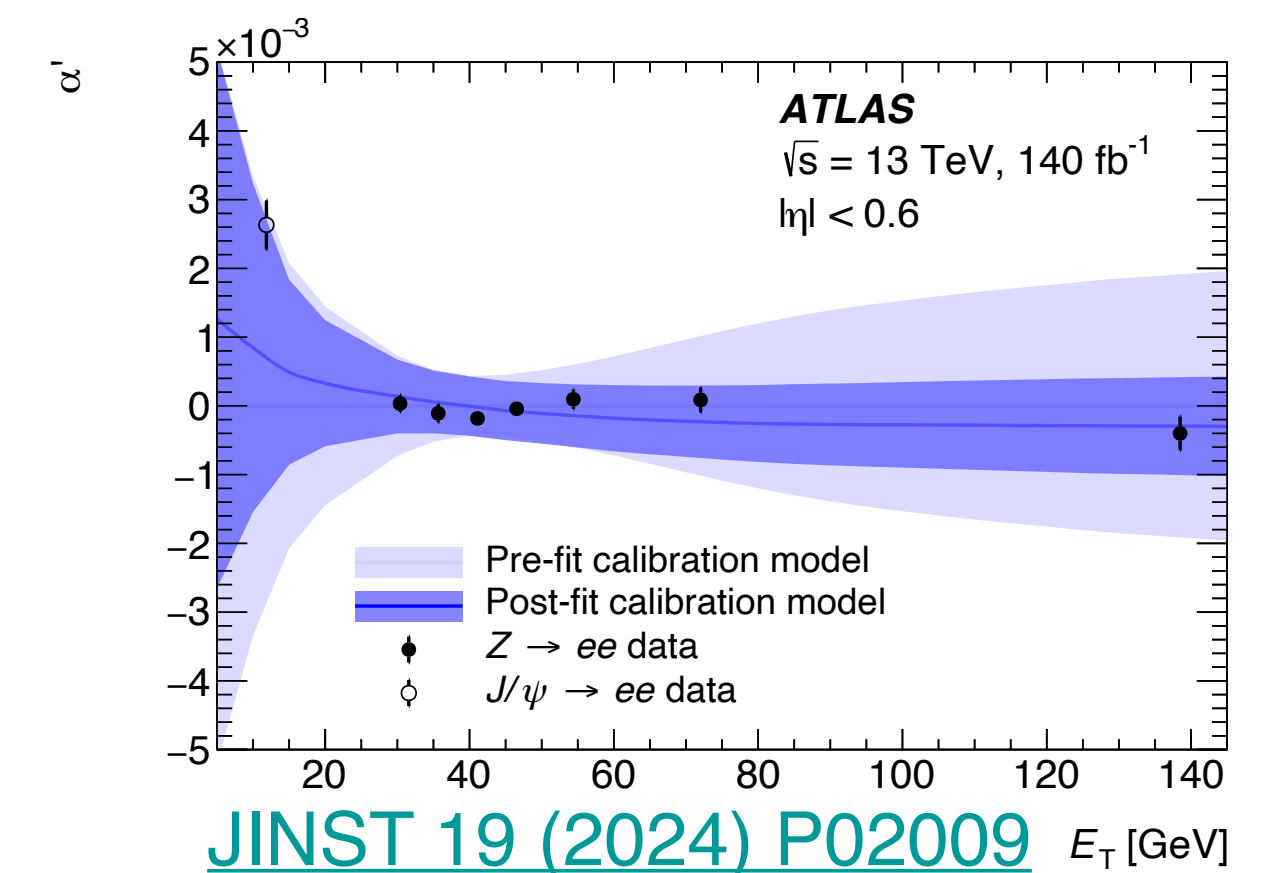
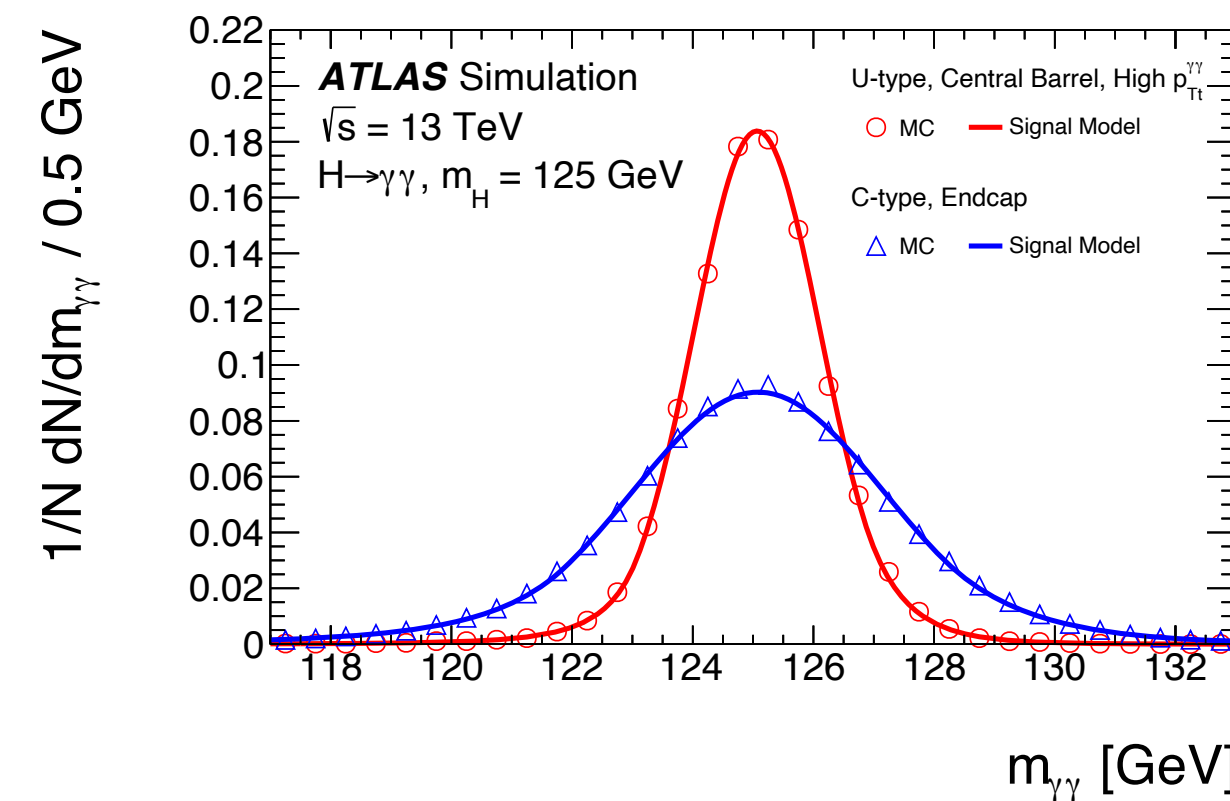


# Mass measurement: $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



Syst. source	Impact [MeV]
Photon energy scale	83
Signal-bkg interference	26
Energy resolution	15
Bkg modeling	14
Vertex	4
Signal modeling	1

Photon energy scale	Impact [MeV]
Z $\rightarrow$ ee calibration	59
$E_T$ -dep. e energy scale	44
e $\rightarrow$ $\gamma$ extrapolation	30
Conversion modeling	24



- Signal mass resolution 1~2 GeV
- x4 reduction of uncertainty compared with previous iteration ( $36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )



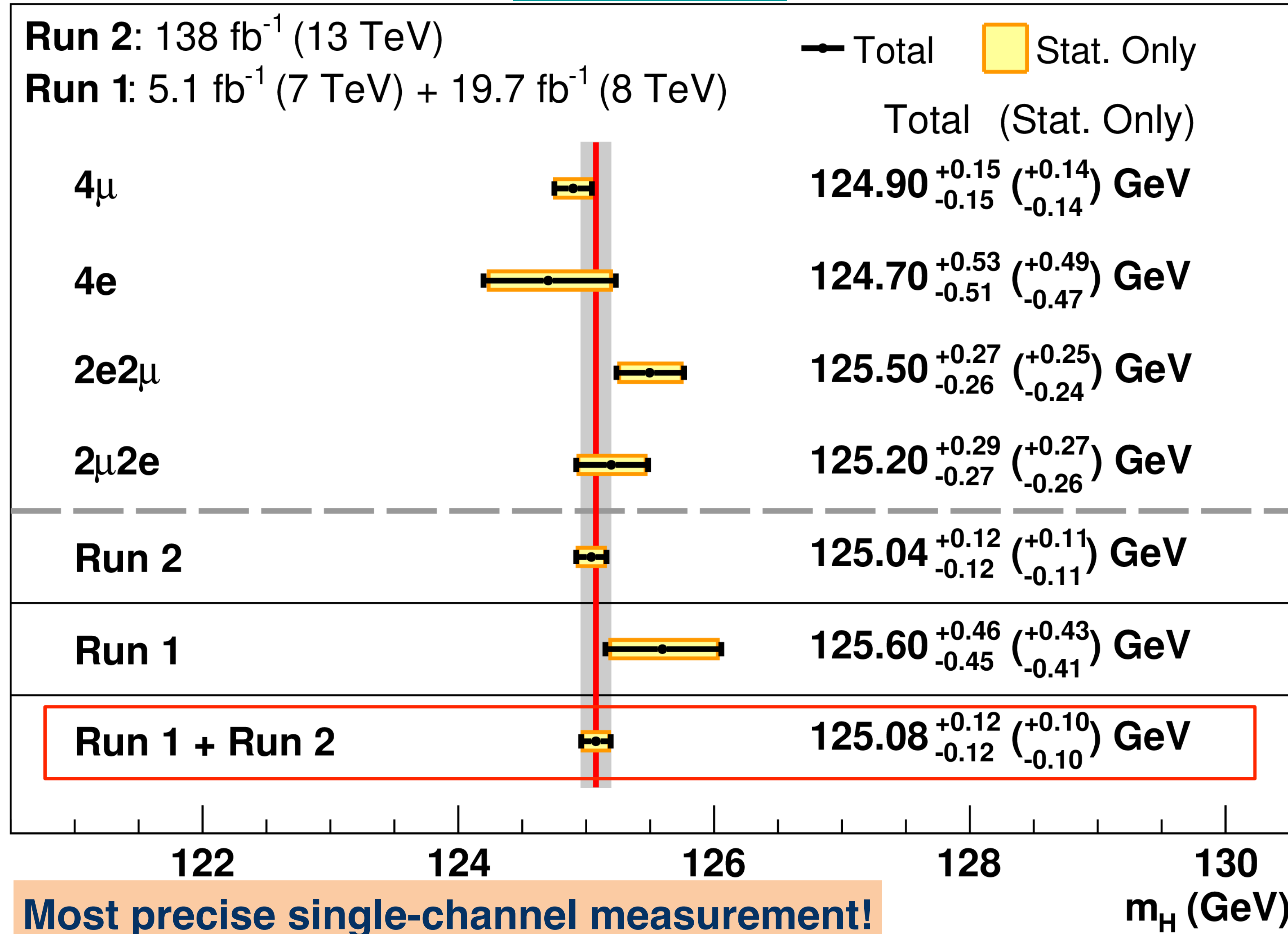
# Mass measurement: $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$

CMS

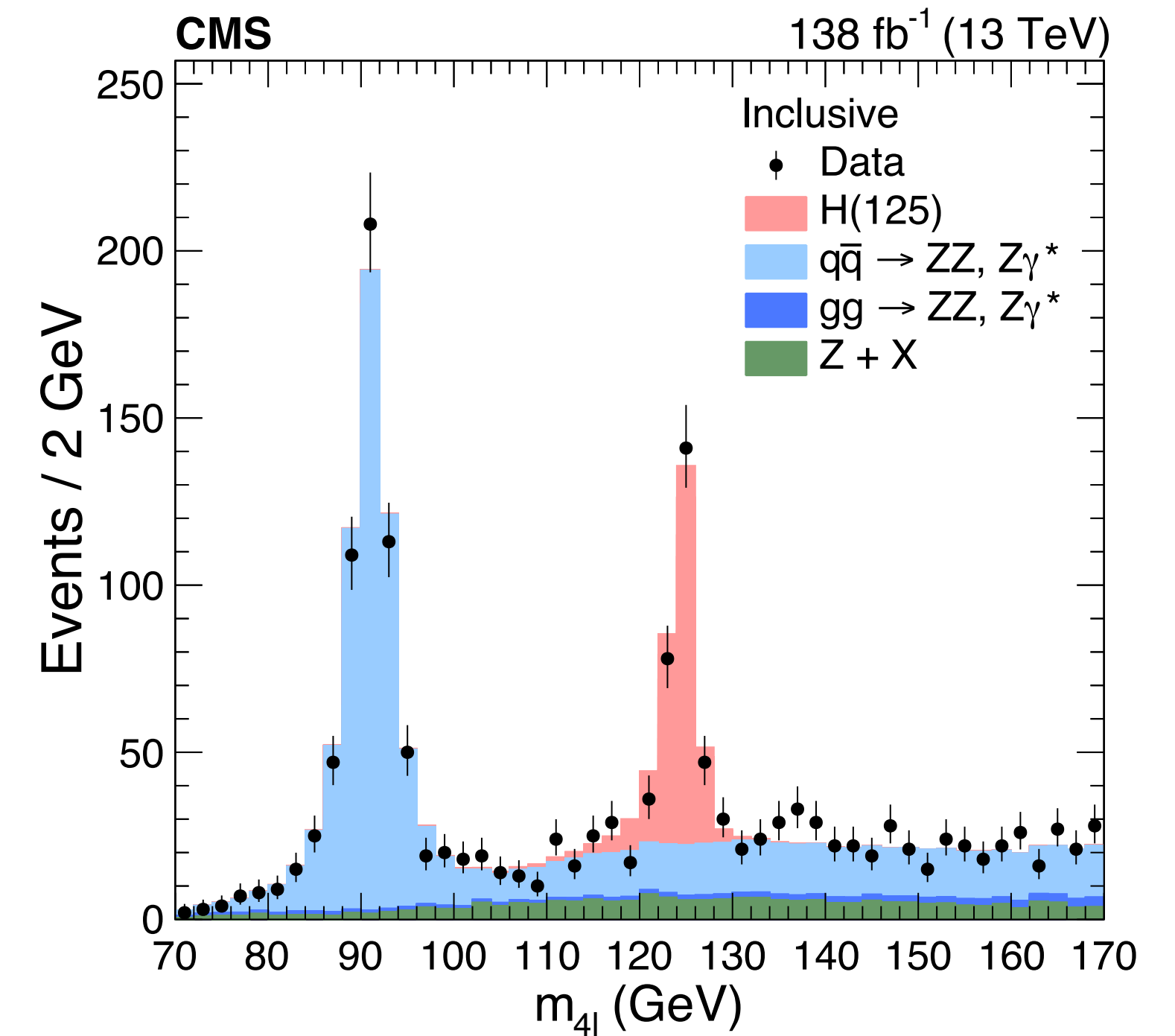
[arXiv:2409.13663](https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.13663)

Run 2:  $138 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (13 TeV)

Run 1:  $5.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (7 TeV) +  $19.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (8 TeV)



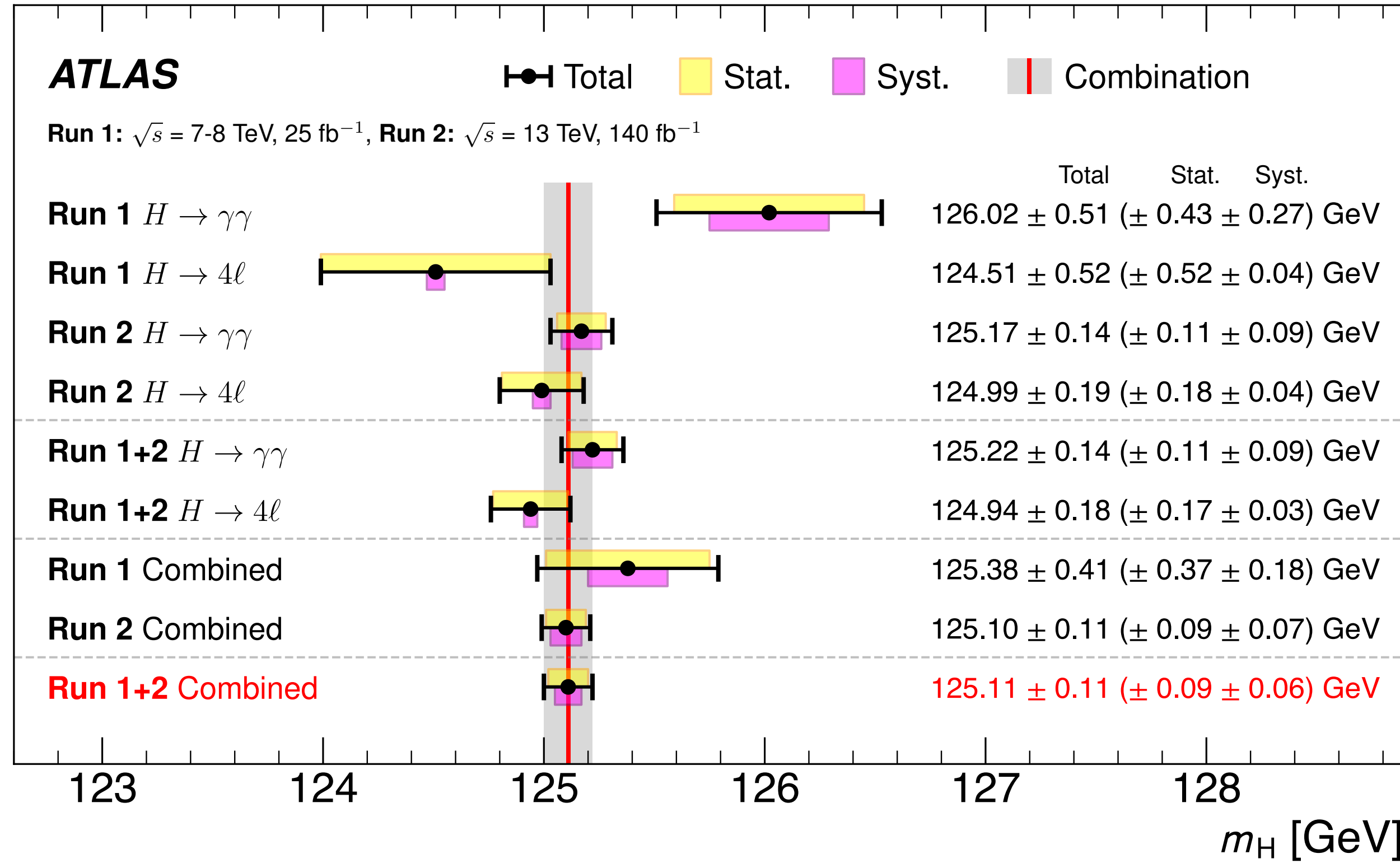
**Most precise single-channel measurement!**



- Signal mass resolution can be as good as 0.7 GeV ( $4\mu$ )
- Beam-spot constraint + kinematic fit to Z-pole (+15%), per-event resolution (+8%), MELA (+4%)



# Mass measurement: combination



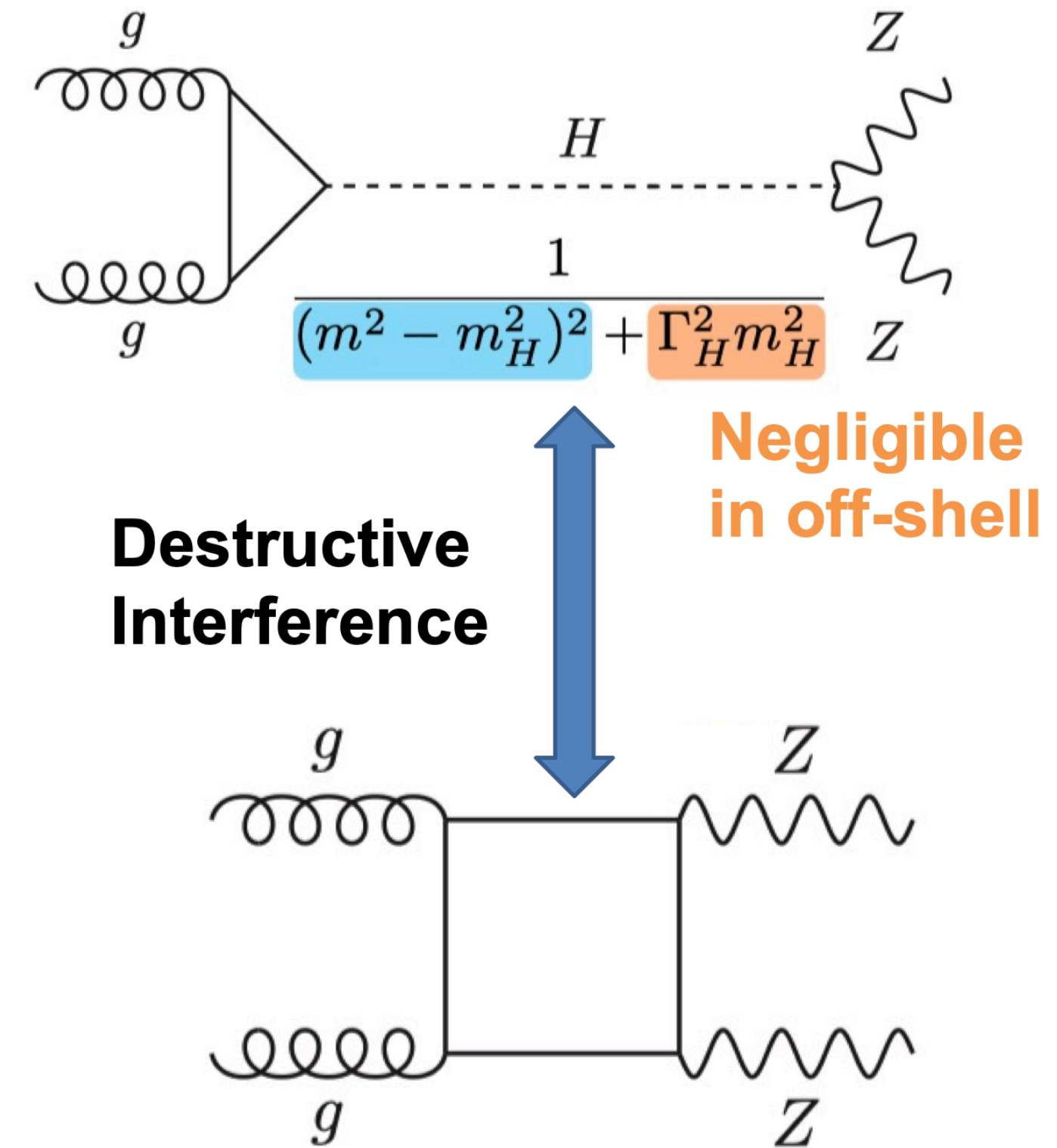
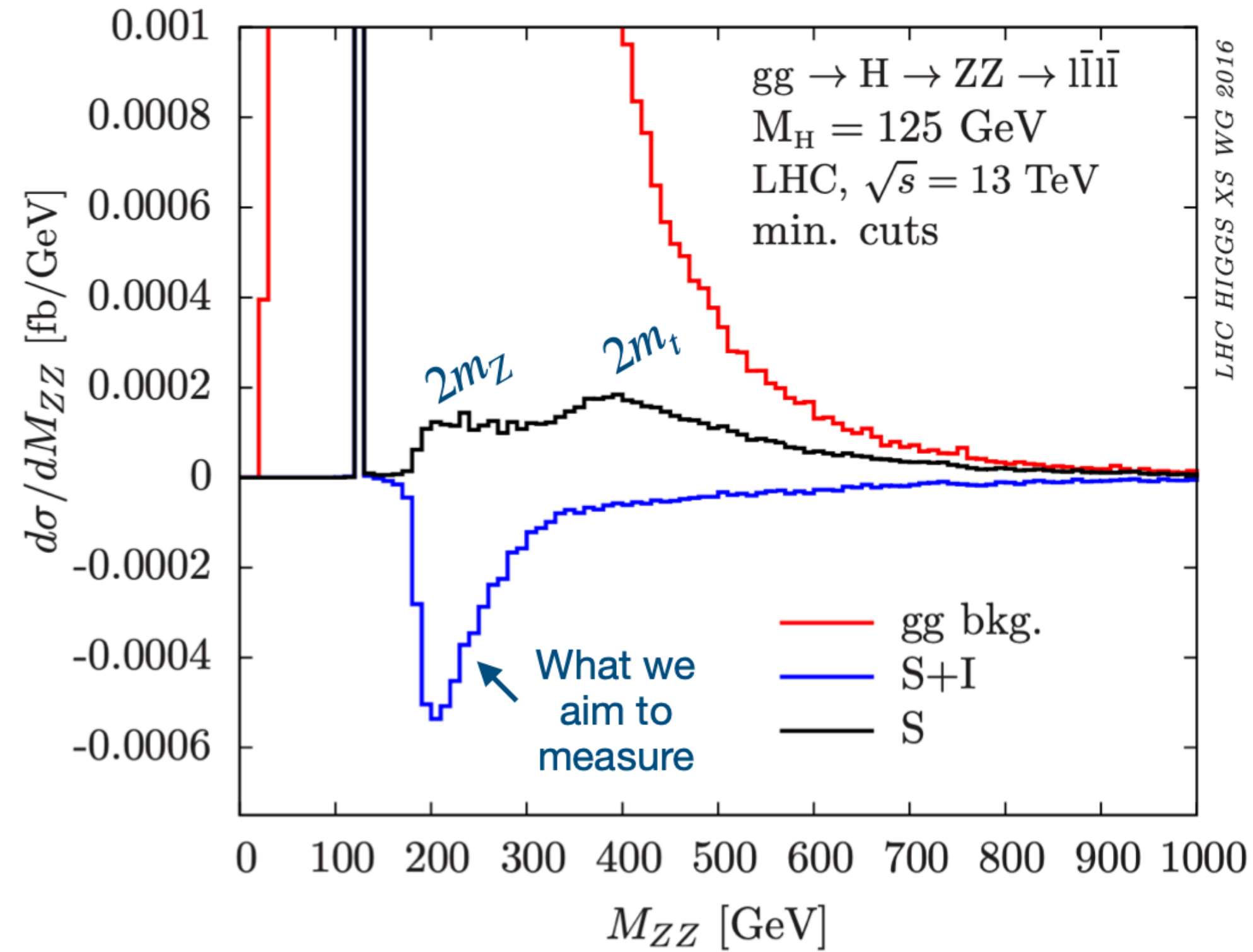
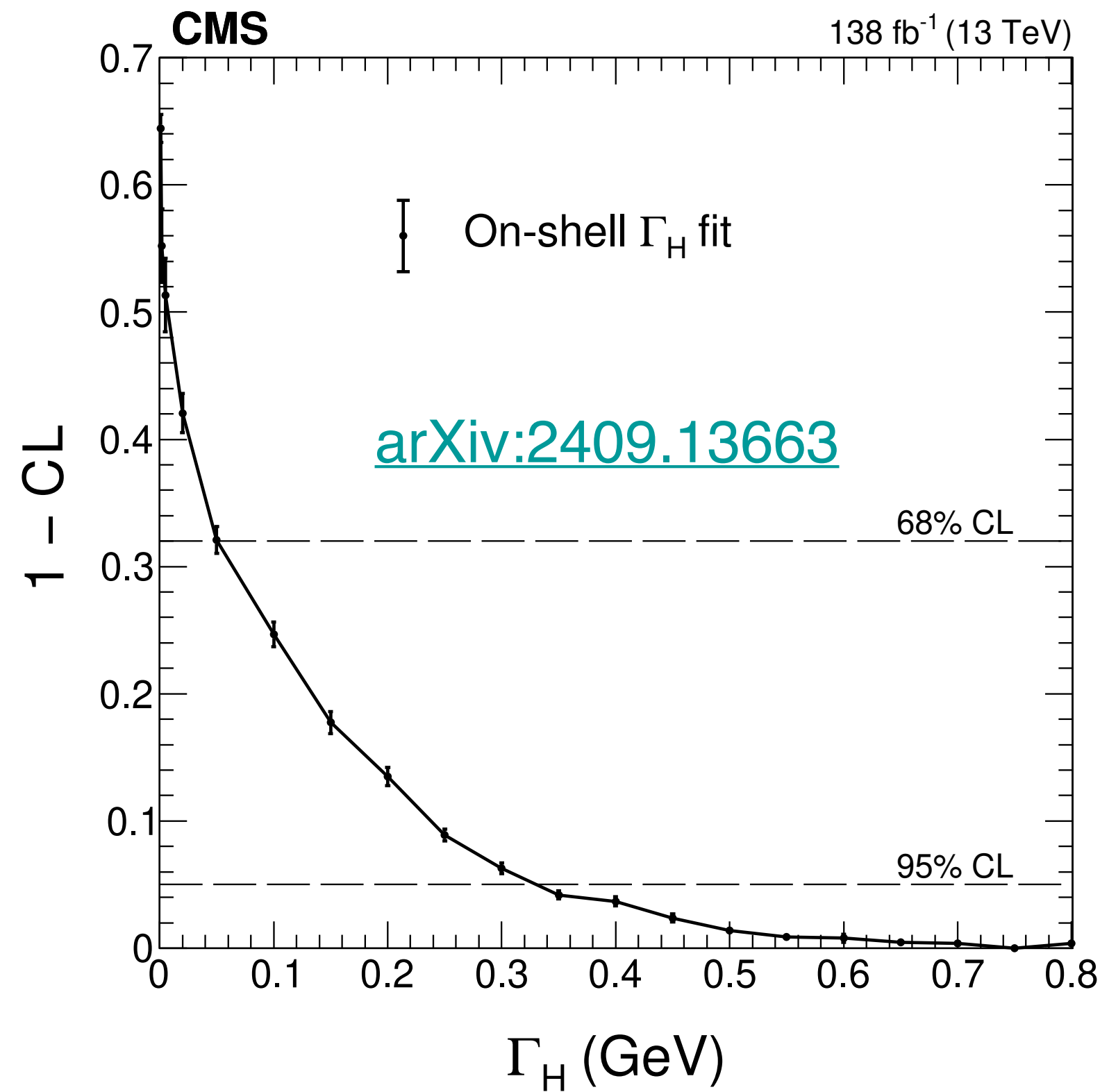
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$E_T$ -dep. e energy scale	28
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ signal-bkg interference	17
$\gamma$ lateral shower shape	16
$\gamma$ conversion modeling	15
e/ $\gamma$ energy resolution	11
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ background modeling	10
Muon momentum scale	8
Others	7

[PRL 131 \(2023\) 251802](#)

- ATLAS reach **0.09% precision** with Run 2. Waiting for CMS  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  to start LHC combination of Run 2 + Run 1 data
- Will provide input  $m_H$  value for Run 3 & HL-LHC

**Current most precise measurement**

# Width measurement



- SM Higgs width  $\Gamma \sim 4$  MeV ( $\tau \sim 10^{-22}$  s). Cannot be constrained by line-shape ( $\sim 1$  GeV) or flight distance ( $\sim 10$   $\mu$ m) measurements at LHC experiments
- Exploit **off-shell production** in  $H \rightarrow ZZ/WW/tt$  to indirectly constrain the width



# Width measurement: $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow IIII/II\nu\nu$

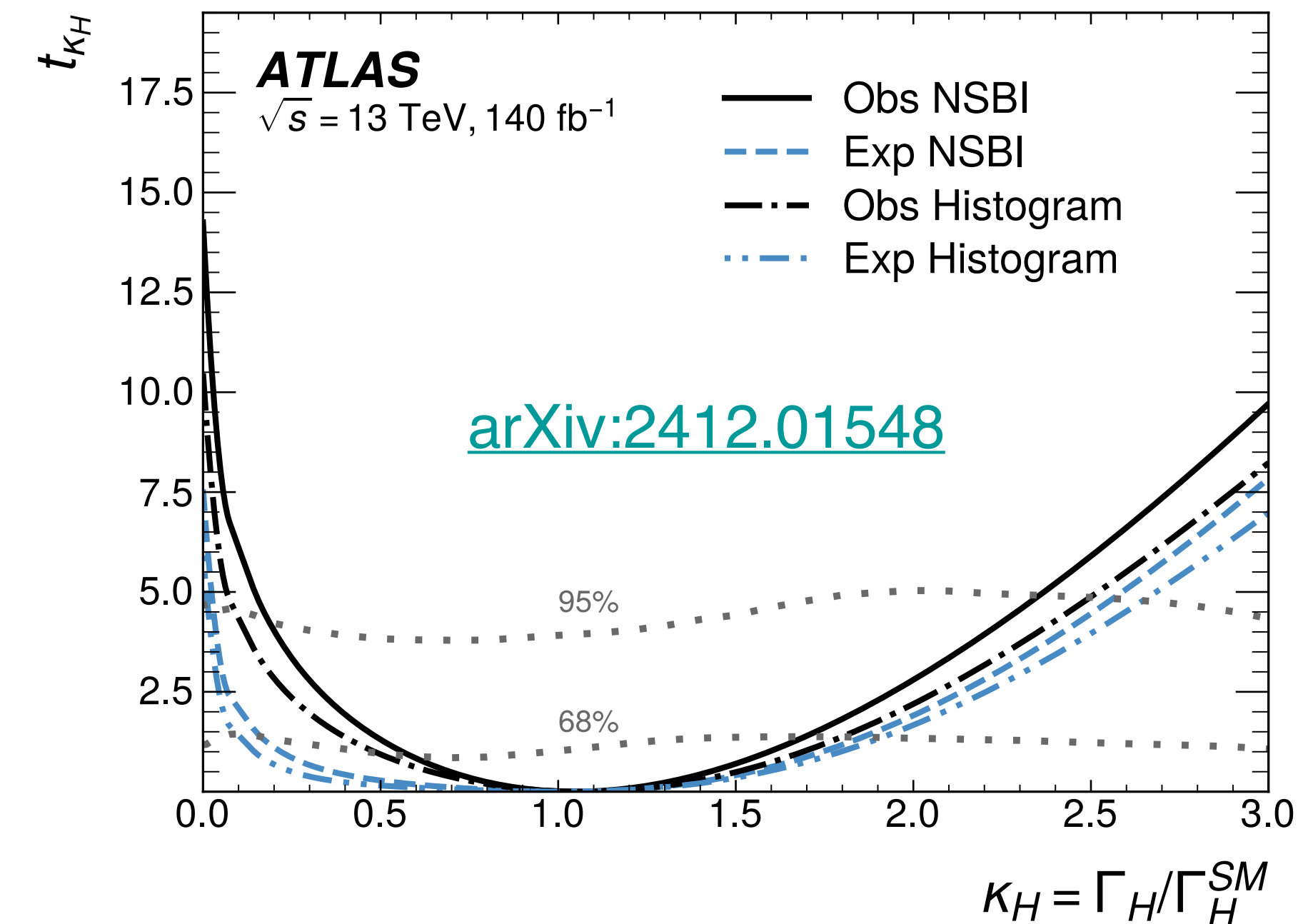
## Overview: Neural Simulation-Based Inference

Full test statistic function with nuisance parameters  $\alpha$ :

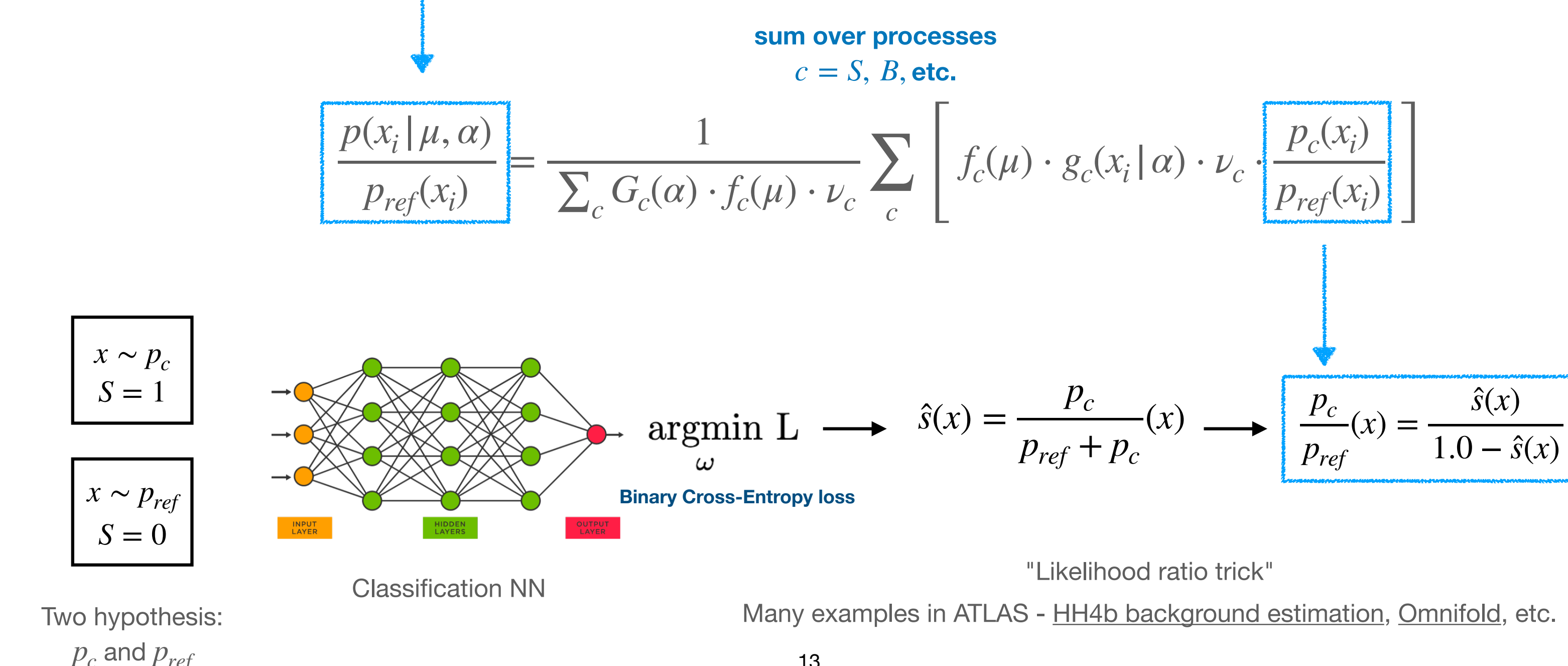
$$t(\mu) = -2 \cdot \log \frac{\text{Pois}(N_{obs} | \mu, \hat{\alpha})}{\text{Pois}(N_{obs} | \hat{\mu}, \hat{\alpha})} - 2 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{N_{obs}} \log \frac{p(x_i | \mu, \hat{\alpha}) / p_{ref}(x_i)}{p(x_i | \hat{\mu}, \hat{\alpha}) / p_{ref}(x_i)} - 2 \cdot \sum_k^{N_{syst}} \log \frac{L_{subs}(\hat{\alpha})}{L_{subs}(\hat{\alpha})}$$

IIII + II\nu\nu	Width [MeV]	Off-shell significance
ATLAS	$4.3^{+2.7}_{-1.9}$	$3.7\sigma$
CMS	$3.0^{+2.0}_{-1.5}$	$3.8\sigma$

- Significant improvement in interference-rich region



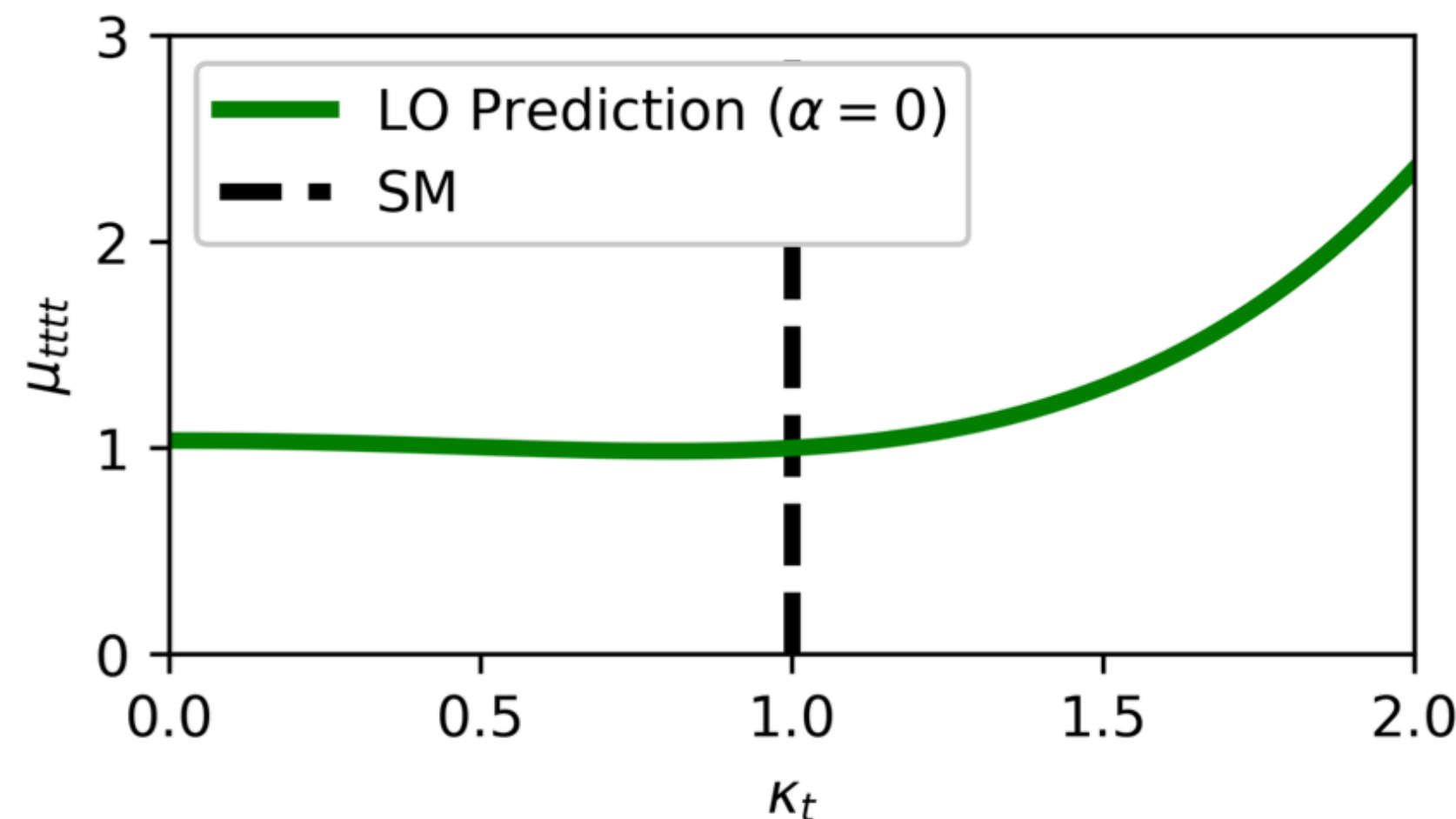
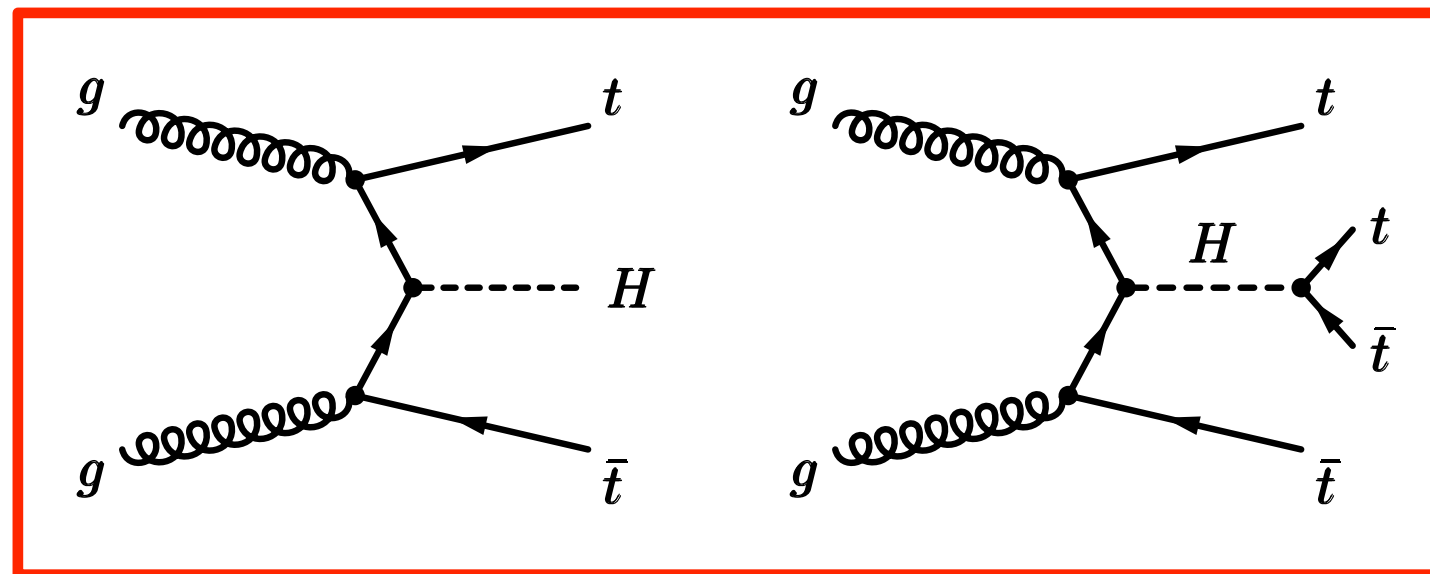
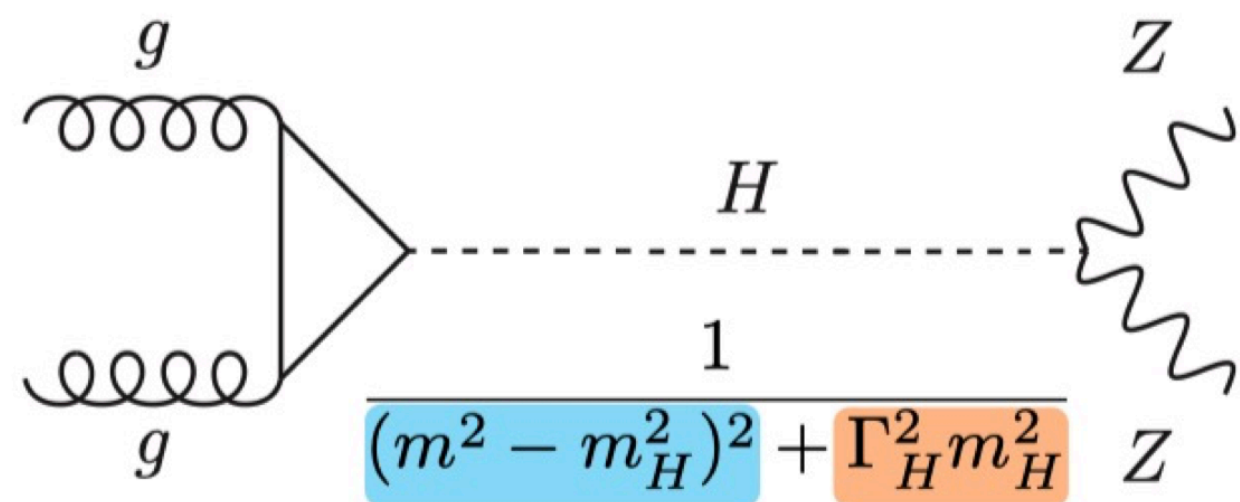
J. Sandesara's talk at Higgs 2024



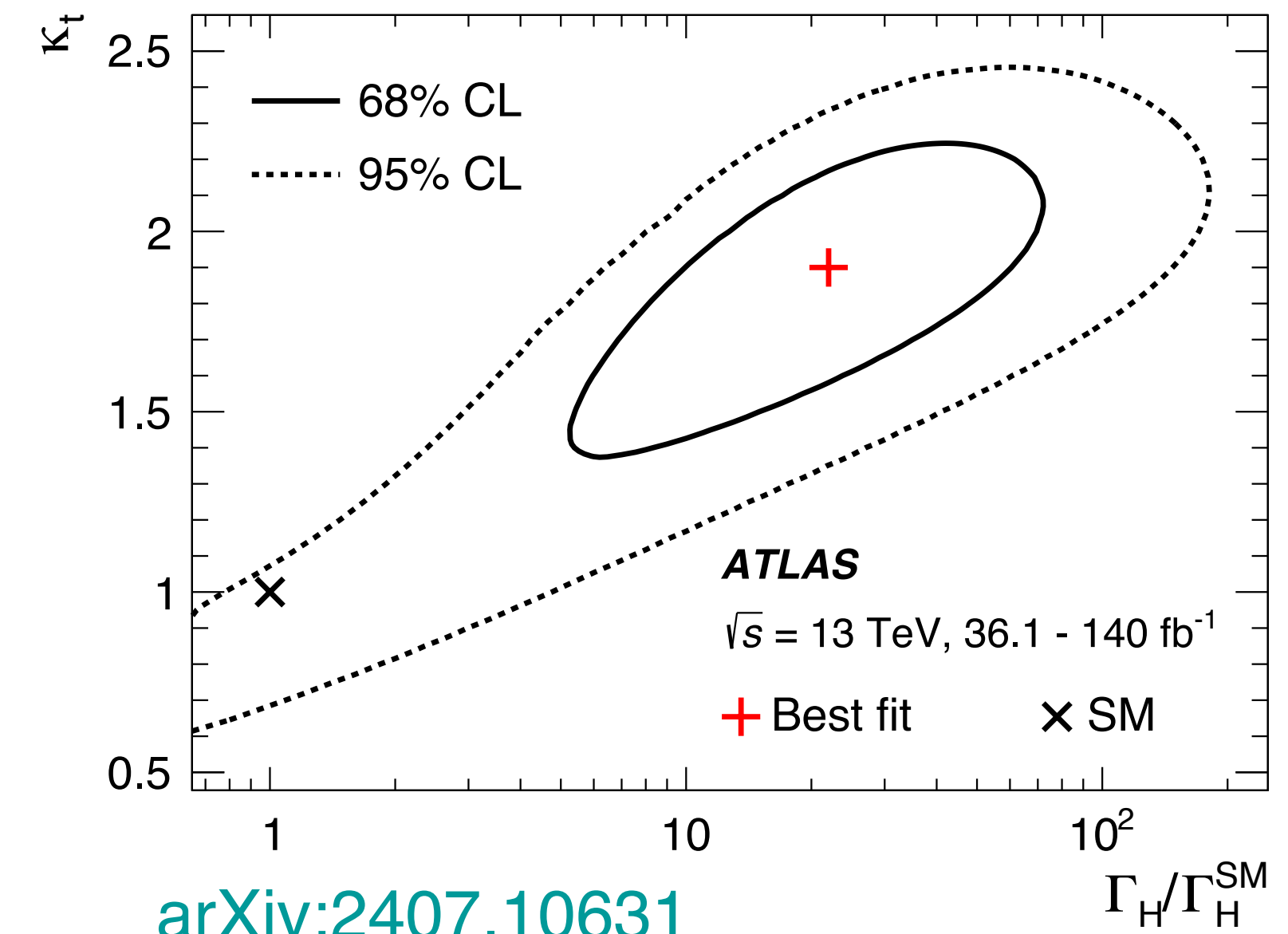


# Width measurement: ttH + tttt

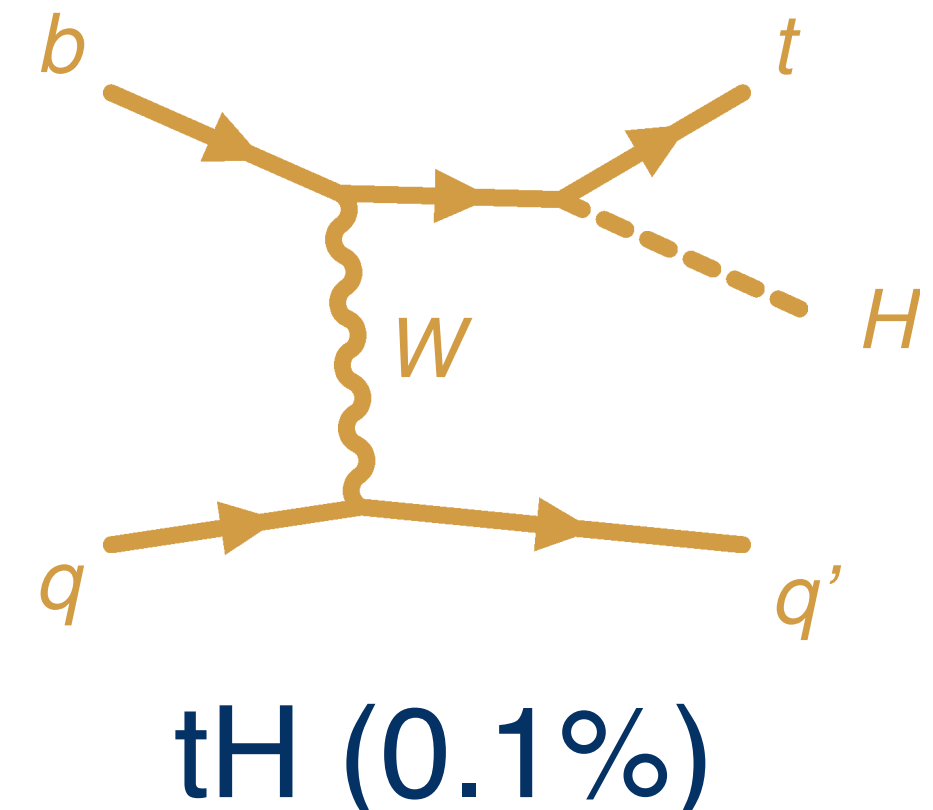
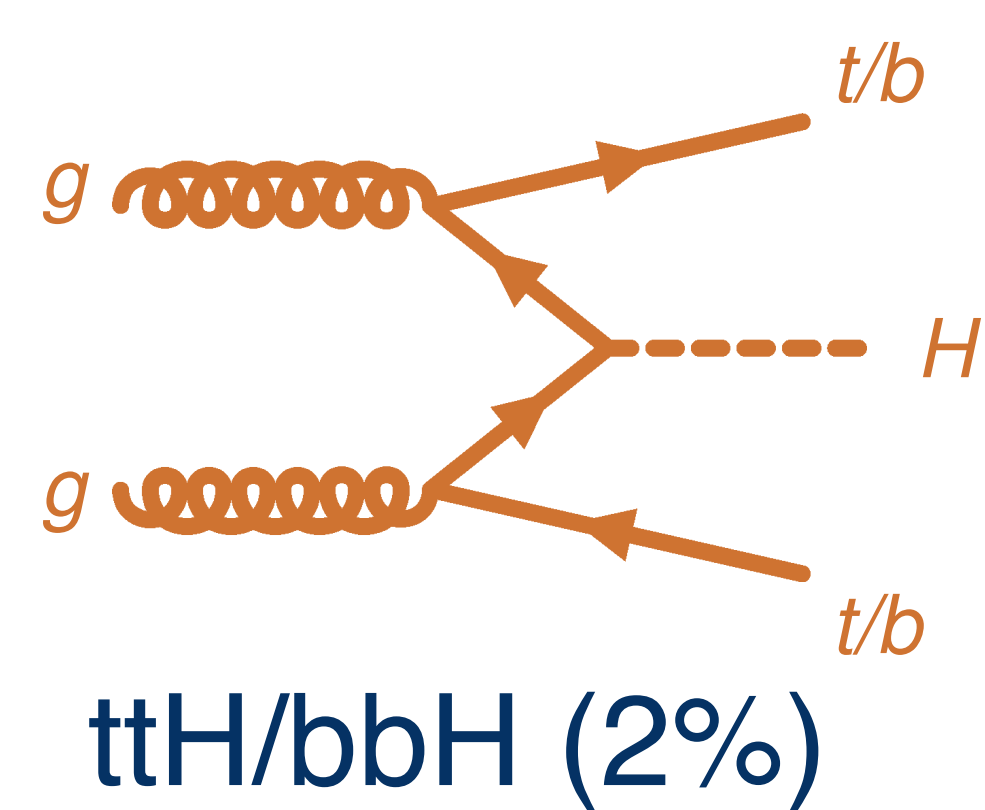
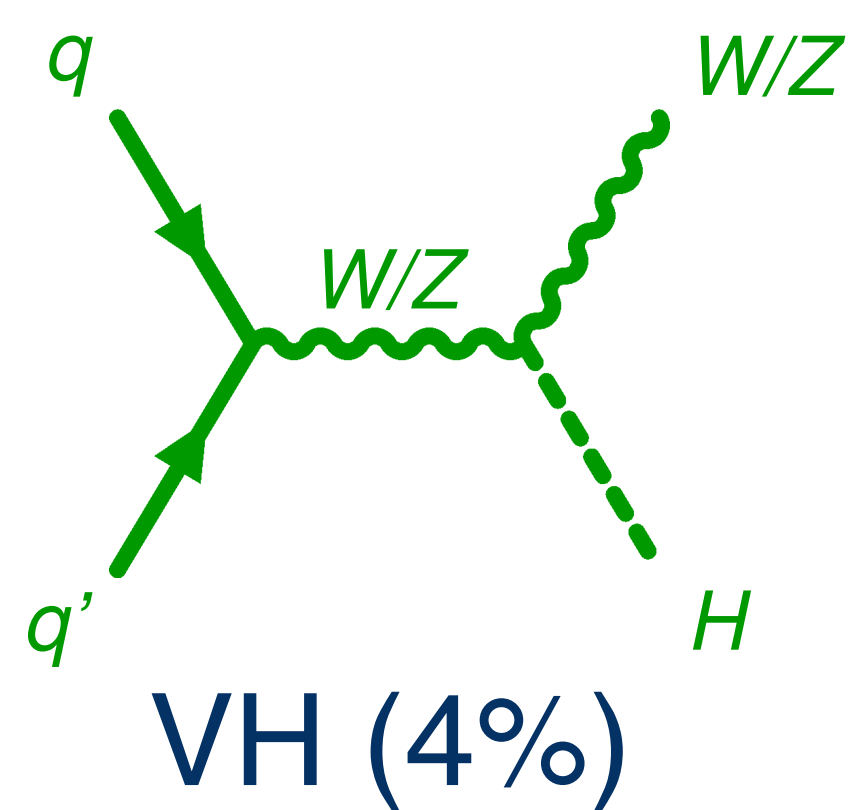
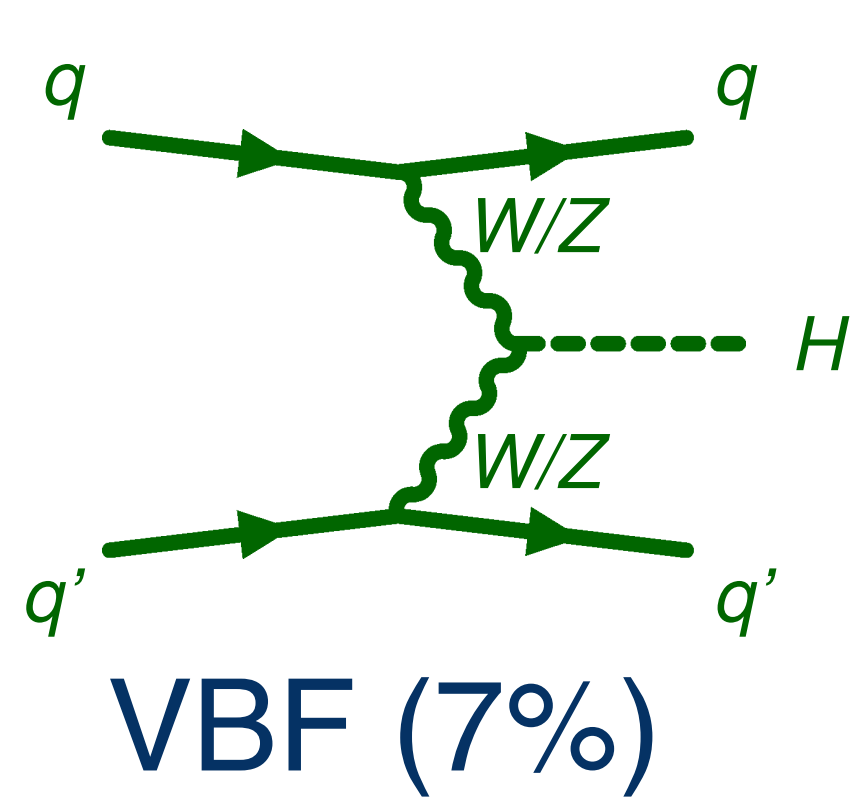
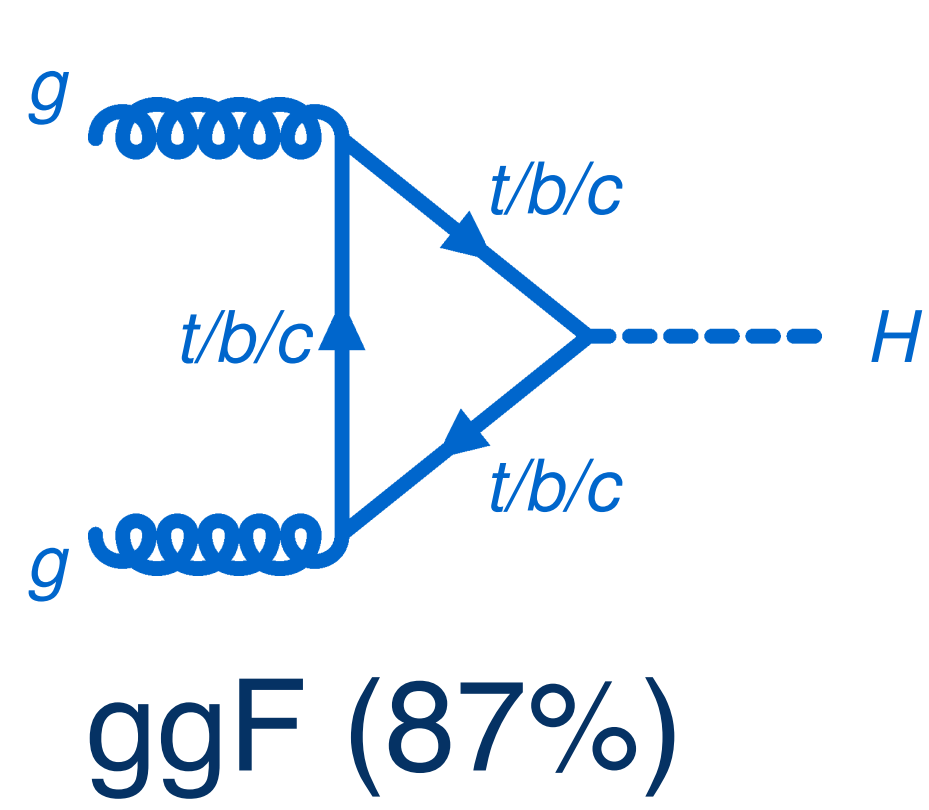
- $H \rightarrow ZZ$  channel sensitivity mainly from ggF
  - If the H-g coupling running is different than SM, the result is invalid
- ttH + tttt channel relies on **tree-level H-t Yukawa coupling  $\kappa_t$** 
  - $\Gamma_H < 450$  MeV obs. (75 MeV exp.) using only on-shell ttH to constrain  $\kappa_t$ ,
  - $\Gamma_H < 160$  MeV obs. (55 MeV exp.) with indirect constraint from ggF/H  $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



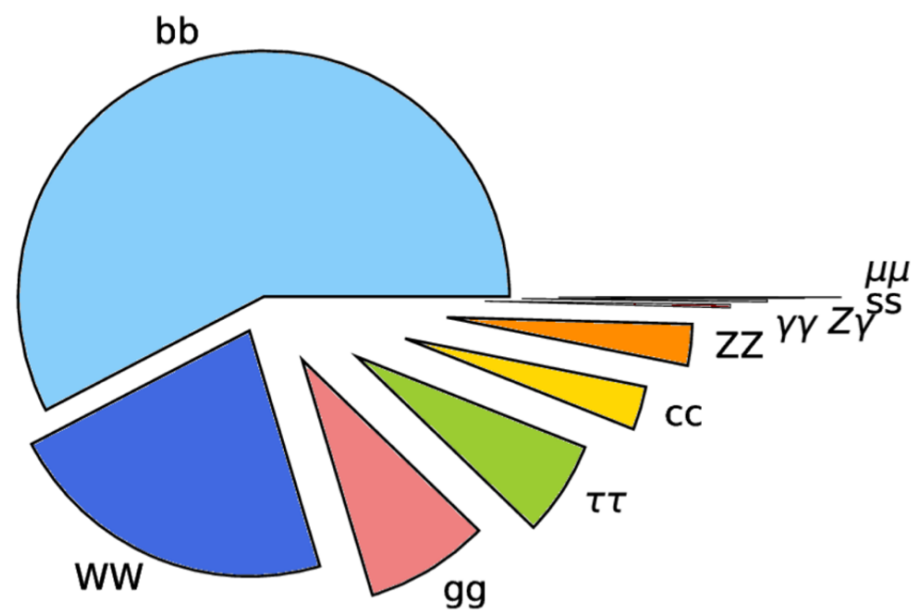
4-top rate dependence on  $\kappa_t$   
[Q-H Cao et al, PRD 99 113003](#)



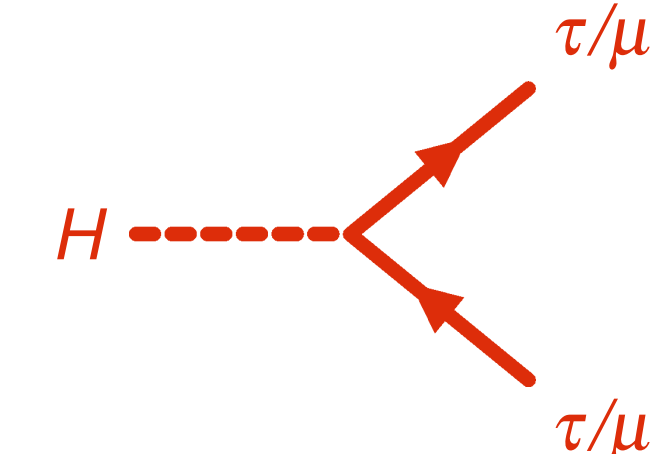
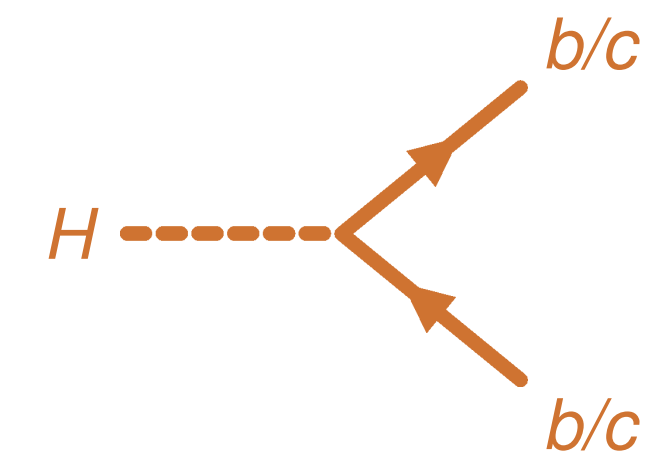
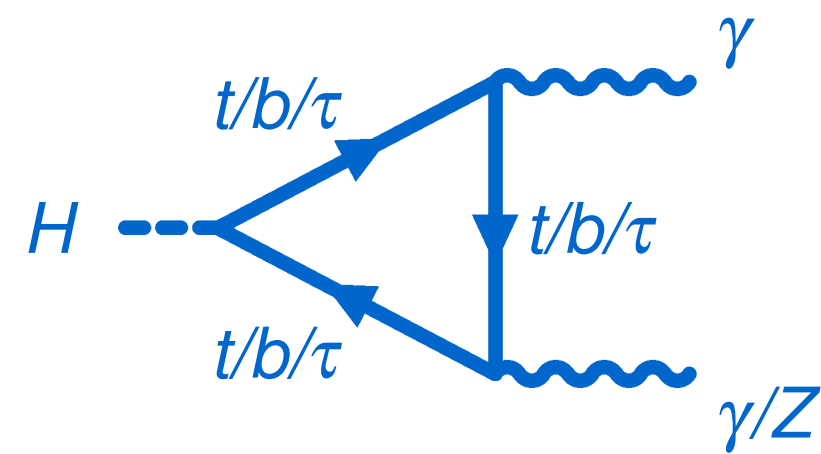
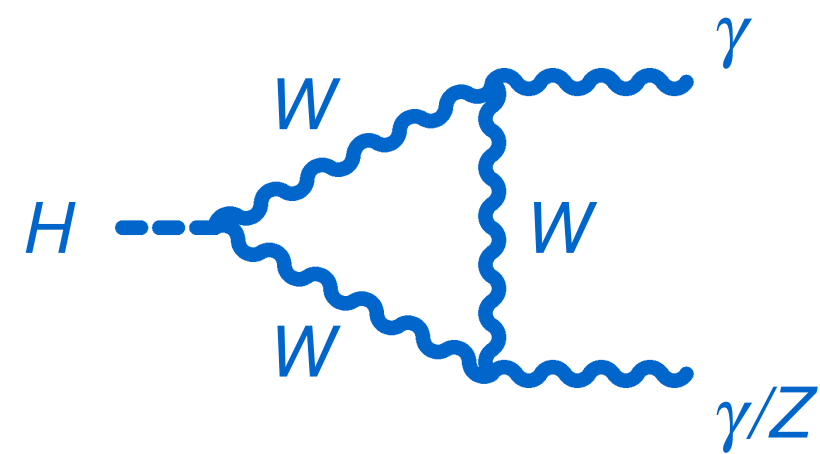
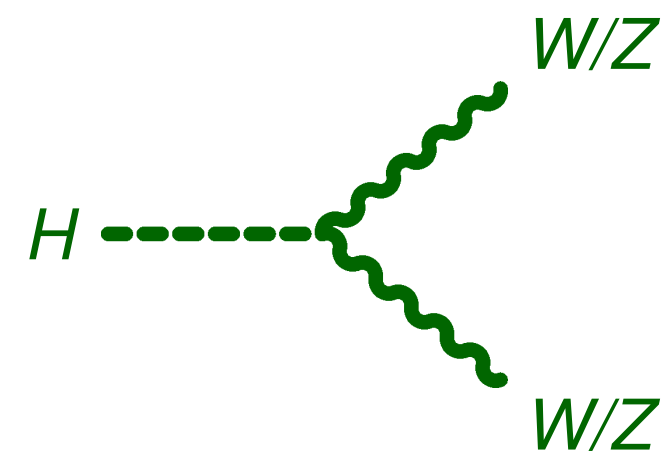
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# Cross-section measurements

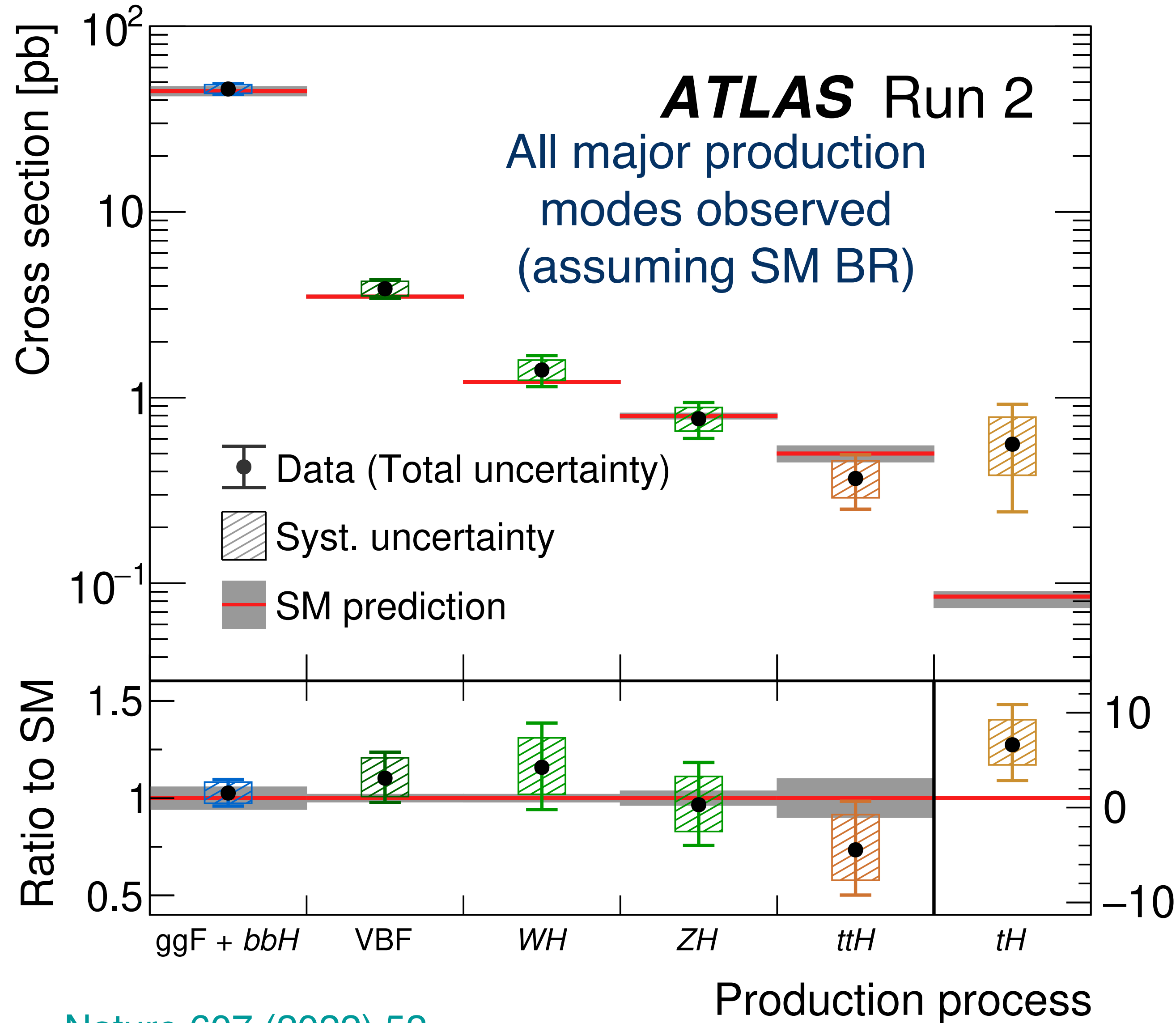


Higgs boson decay BR

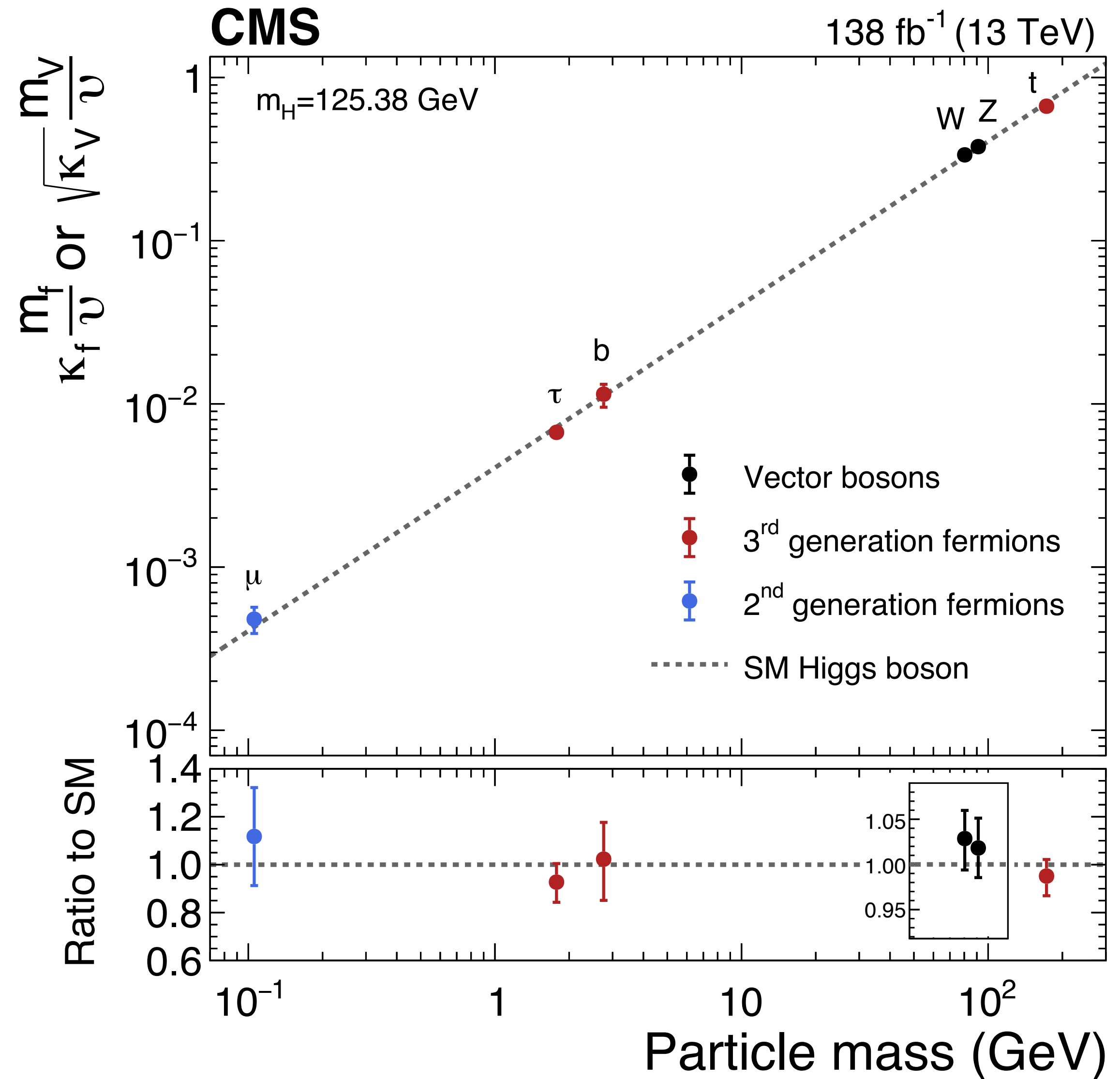




# Inclusive production cross-sections



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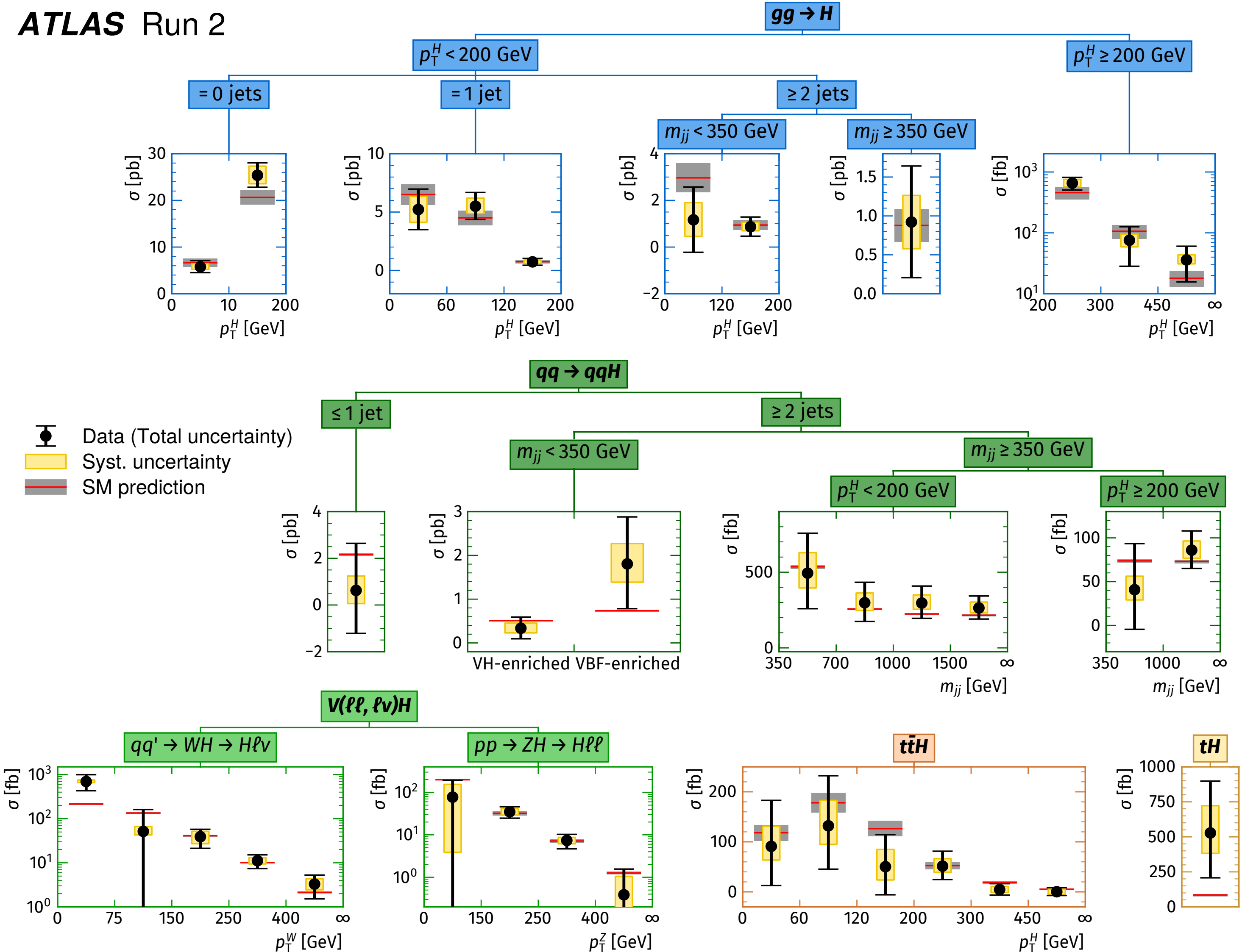


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# Simplified Template Cross-Section (STXS)

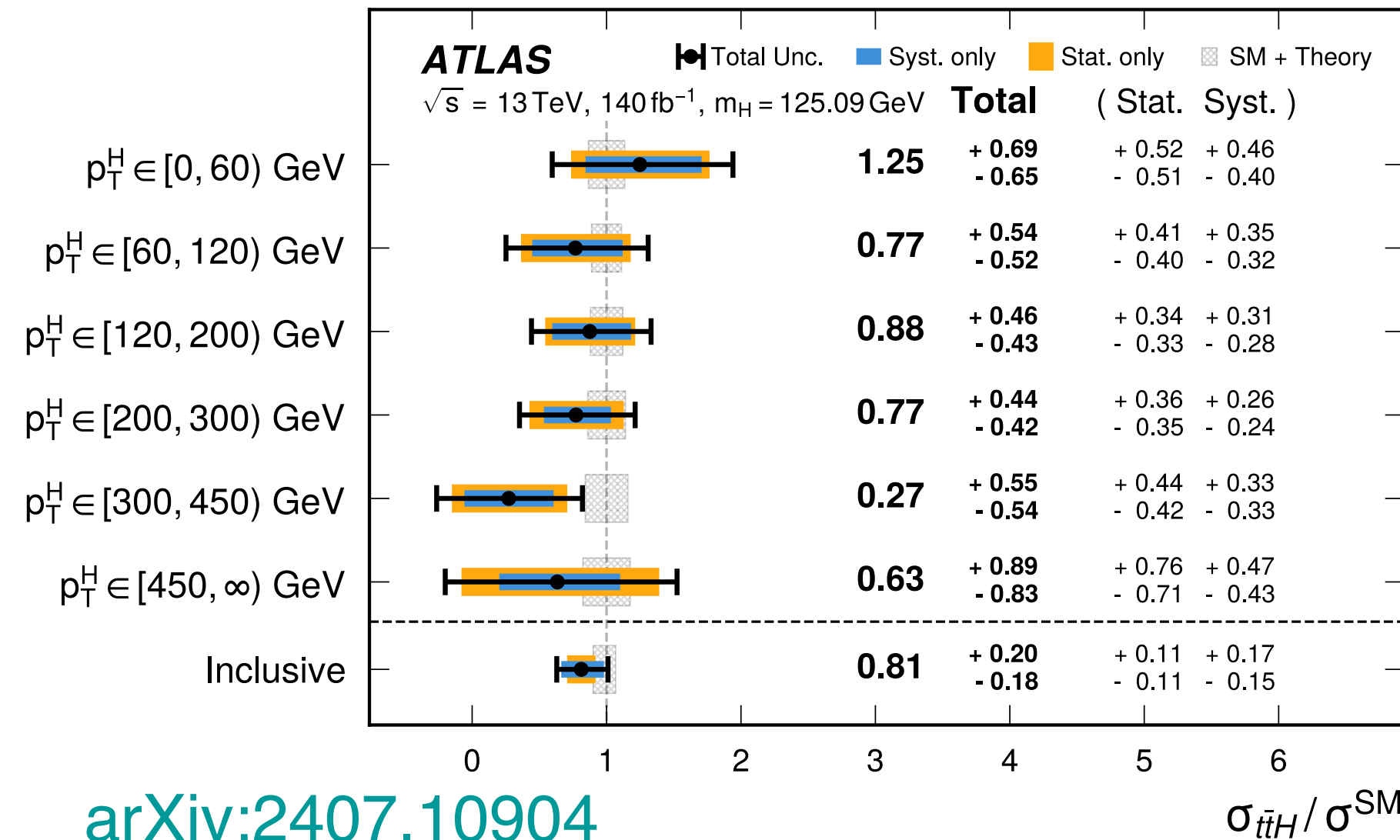
- Need to go differential to better validate SM & probe potential new physics
- A common binning scheme is needed among decay channels & between experiments
- STXS framework has been widely implemented in ATLAS/ CMS Higgs measurements
- Feedback from people with first-hand experience is crucial for its future development!



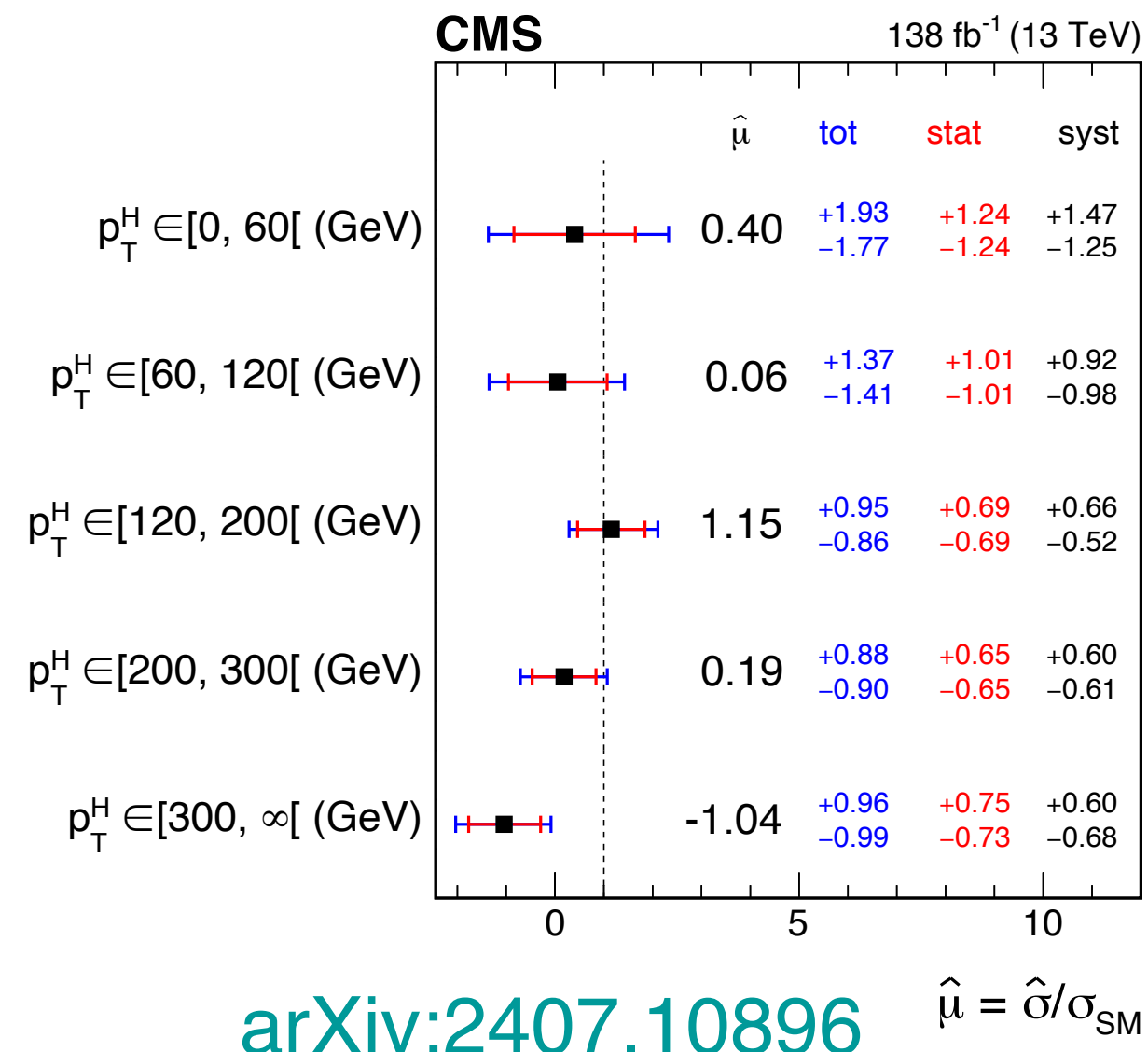
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# STXS measurement: $t\bar{t}H$ , $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$



[arXiv:2407.10904](https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.10904)



[arXiv:2407.10896](https://arxiv.org/abs/2407.10896)

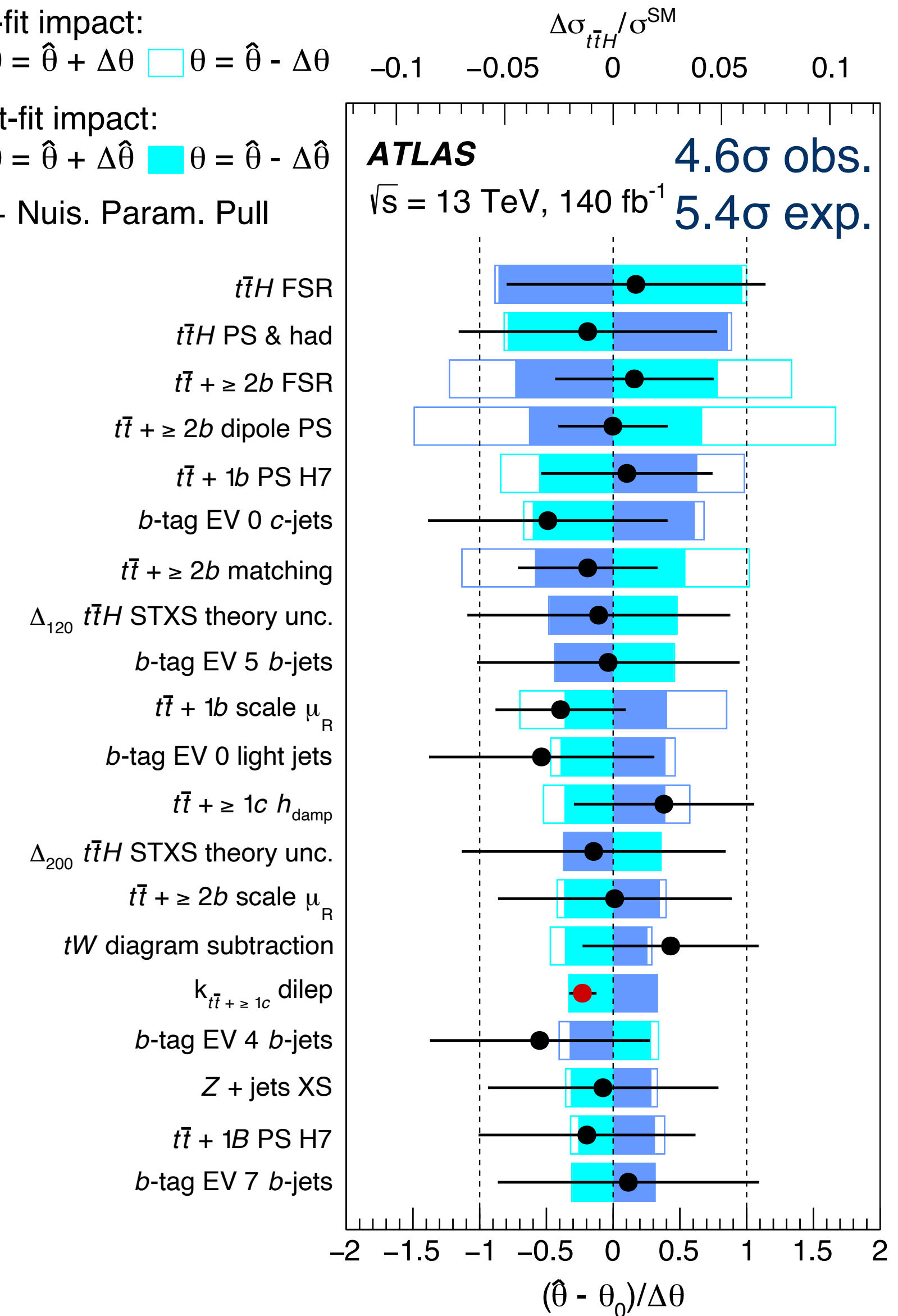
Pre-fit impact:

$\square \theta = \hat{\theta} + \Delta\theta$   $\square \theta = \hat{\theta} - \Delta\theta$

Post-fit impact:

$\blacksquare \theta = \hat{\theta} + \Delta\hat{\theta}$   $\blacksquare \theta = \hat{\theta} - \Delta\hat{\theta}$

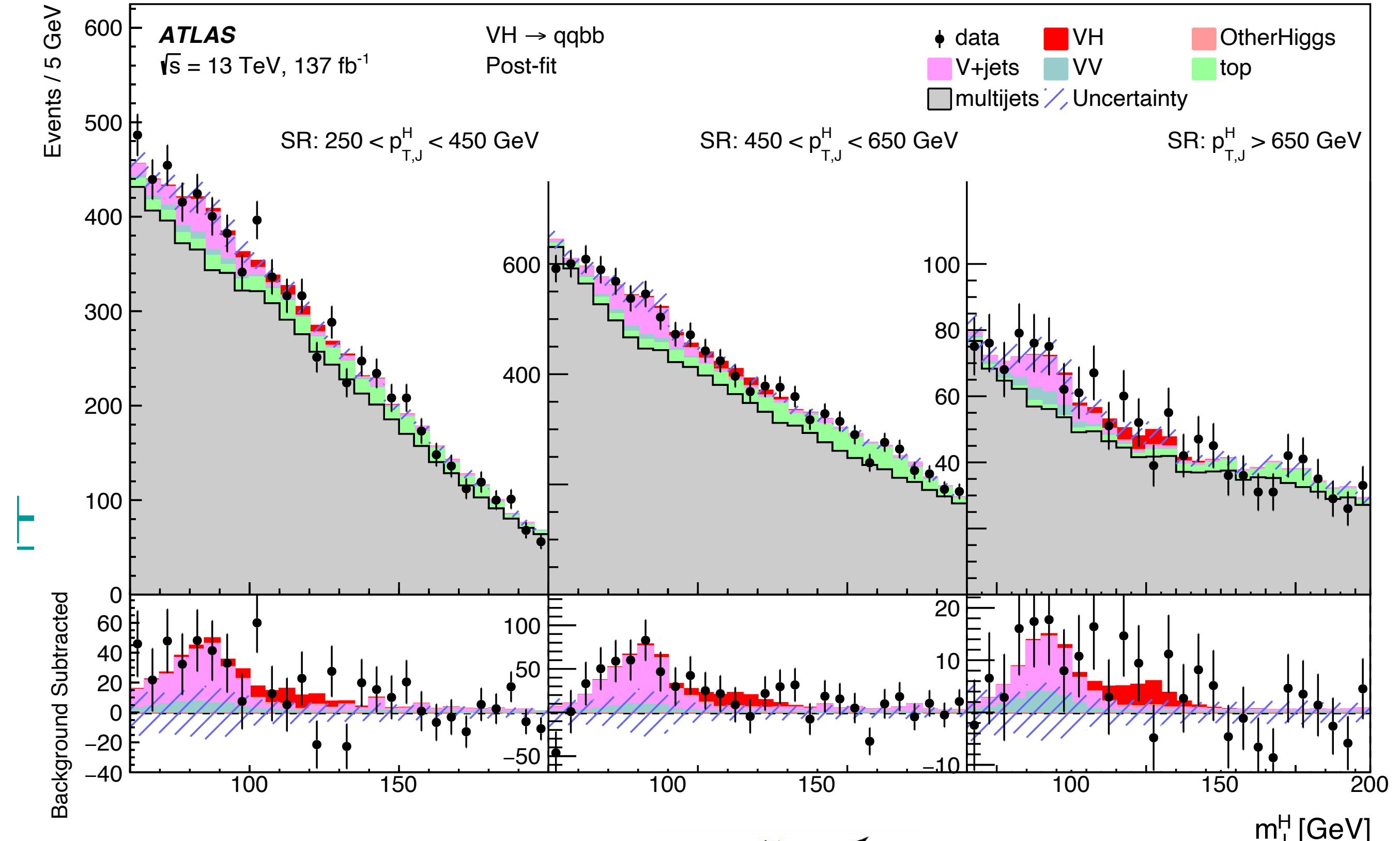
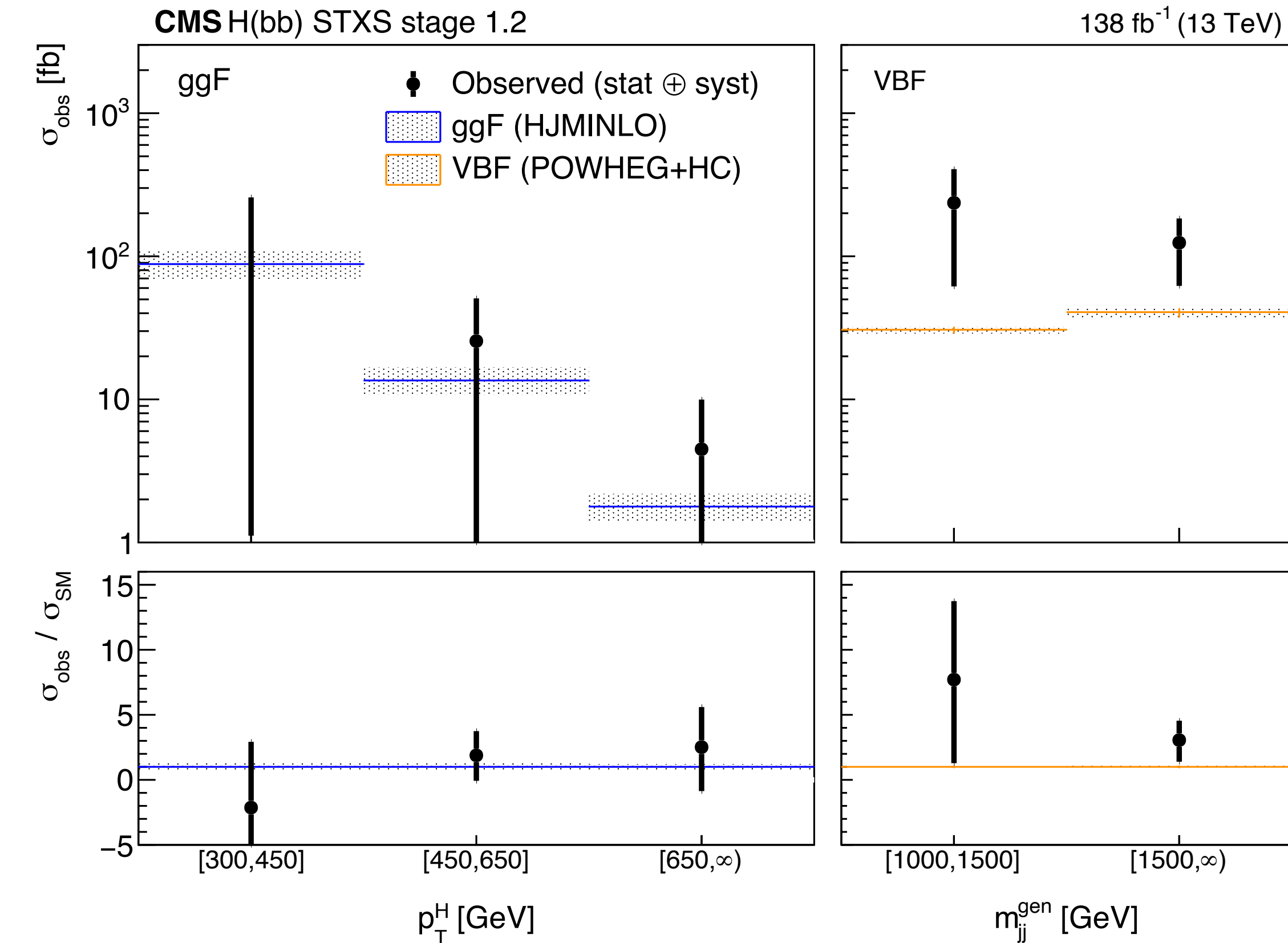
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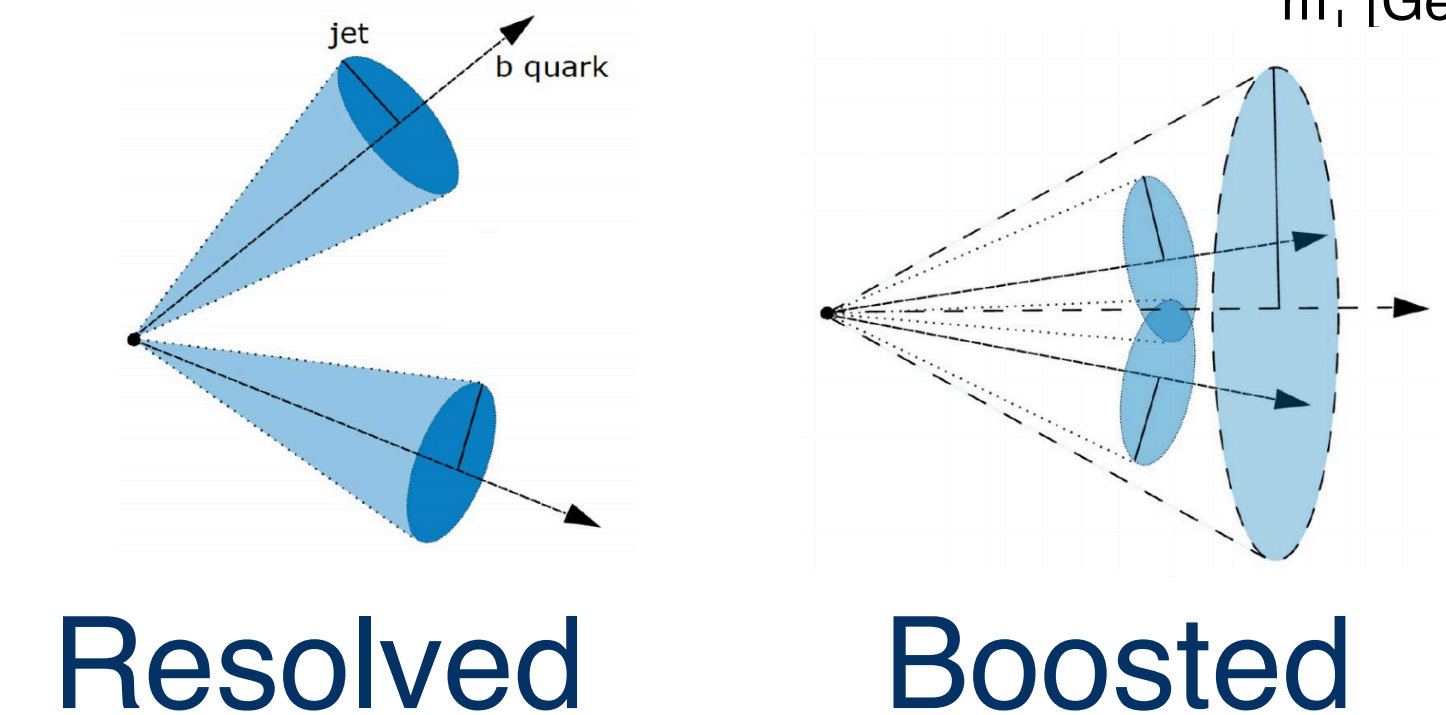
- ATLAS achieves **x2 better sensitivity** compared with previous analysis based on the same dataset
- Better  $b$ -tagging algorithm, better  $t\bar{t}+HF$  modeling (no longer leading syst.), NN for Higgs boson reconstruction

	Rate	Obs. Z0 [ $\sigma$ ]	Exp. Z0 [ $\sigma$ ]
<b>ATLAS</b>	$\sigma / \sigma_{SM} = 0.81 \pm 0.11(\text{stat.})_{-0.15}^{+0.17}(\text{syst.})$	4.6	5.4
<b>CMS</b>	$\mu = 0.33 \pm 0.17(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.21(\text{syst.})$	1.3	4.1

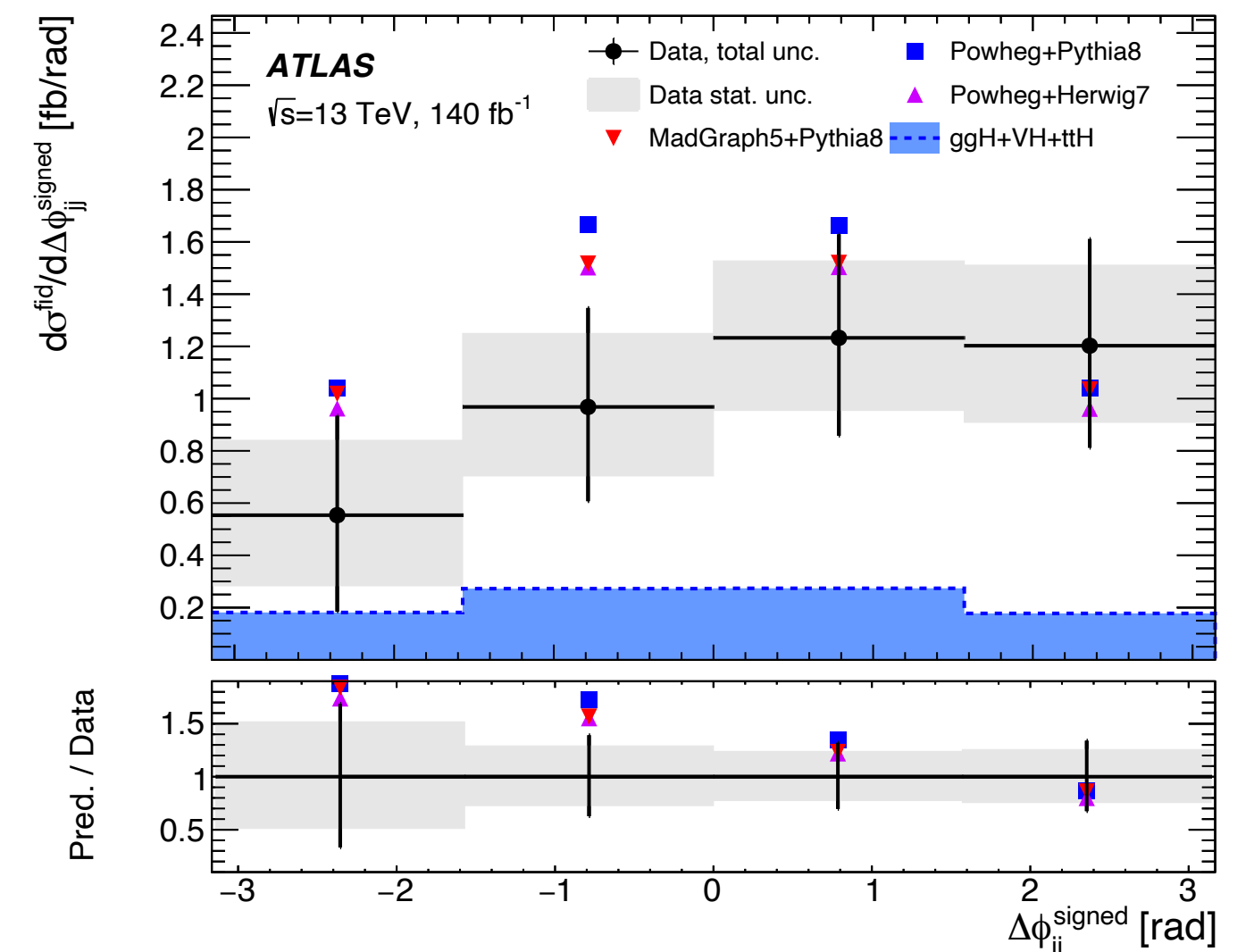
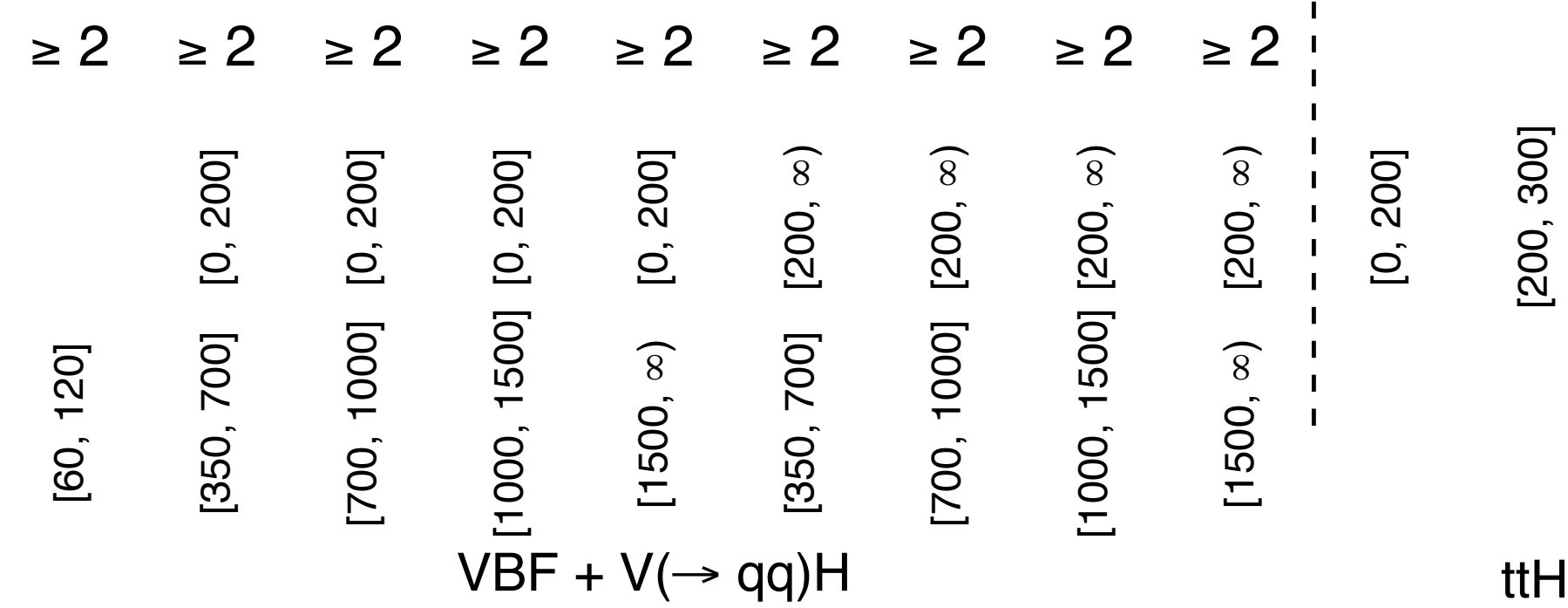
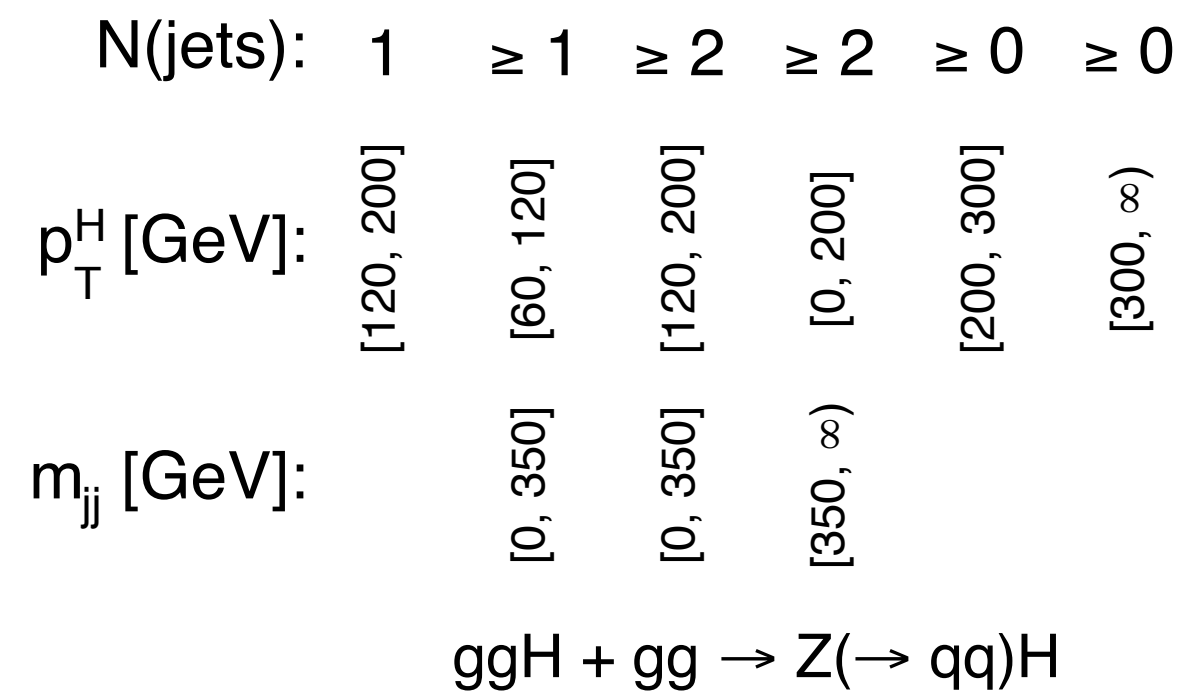
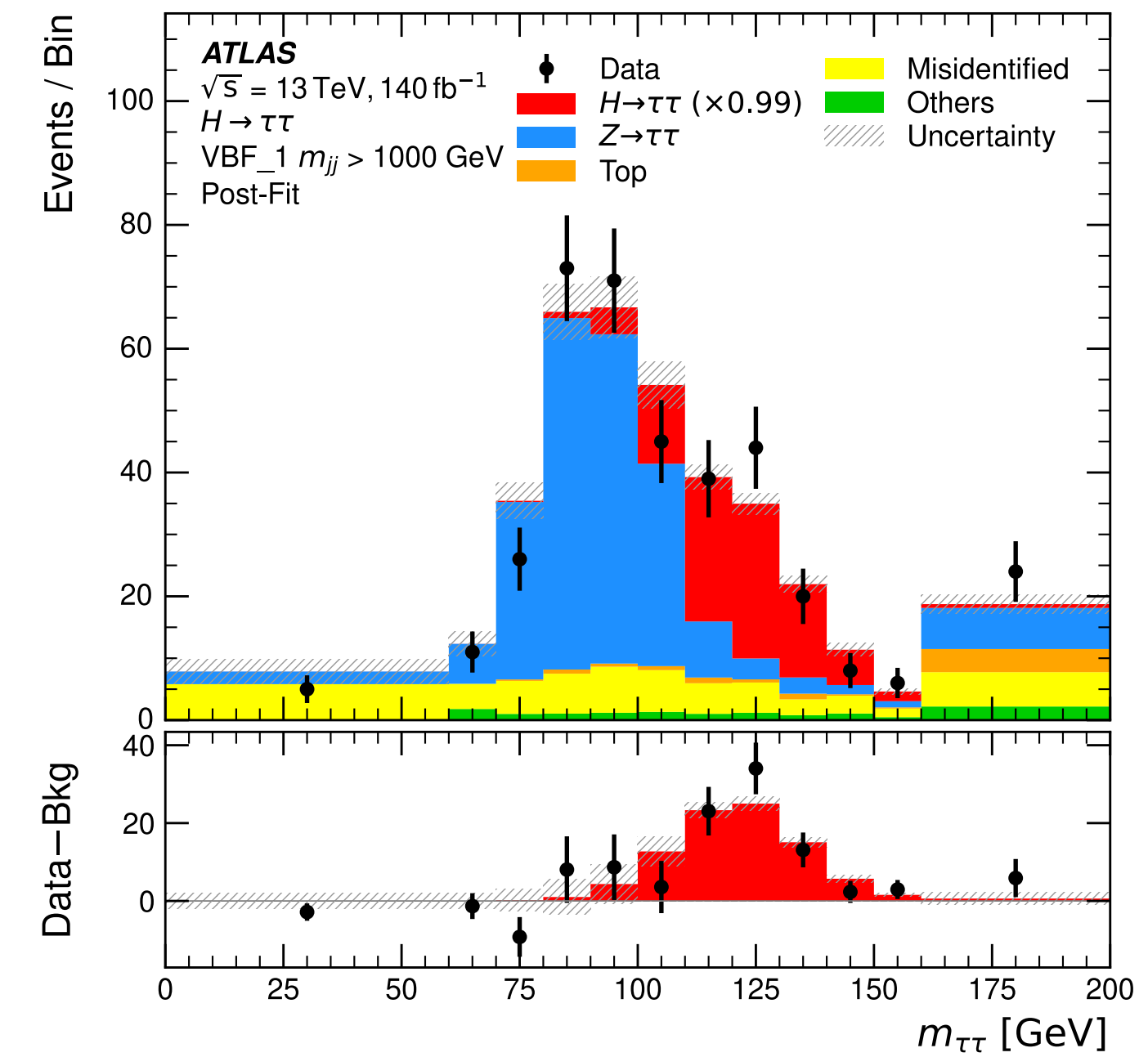
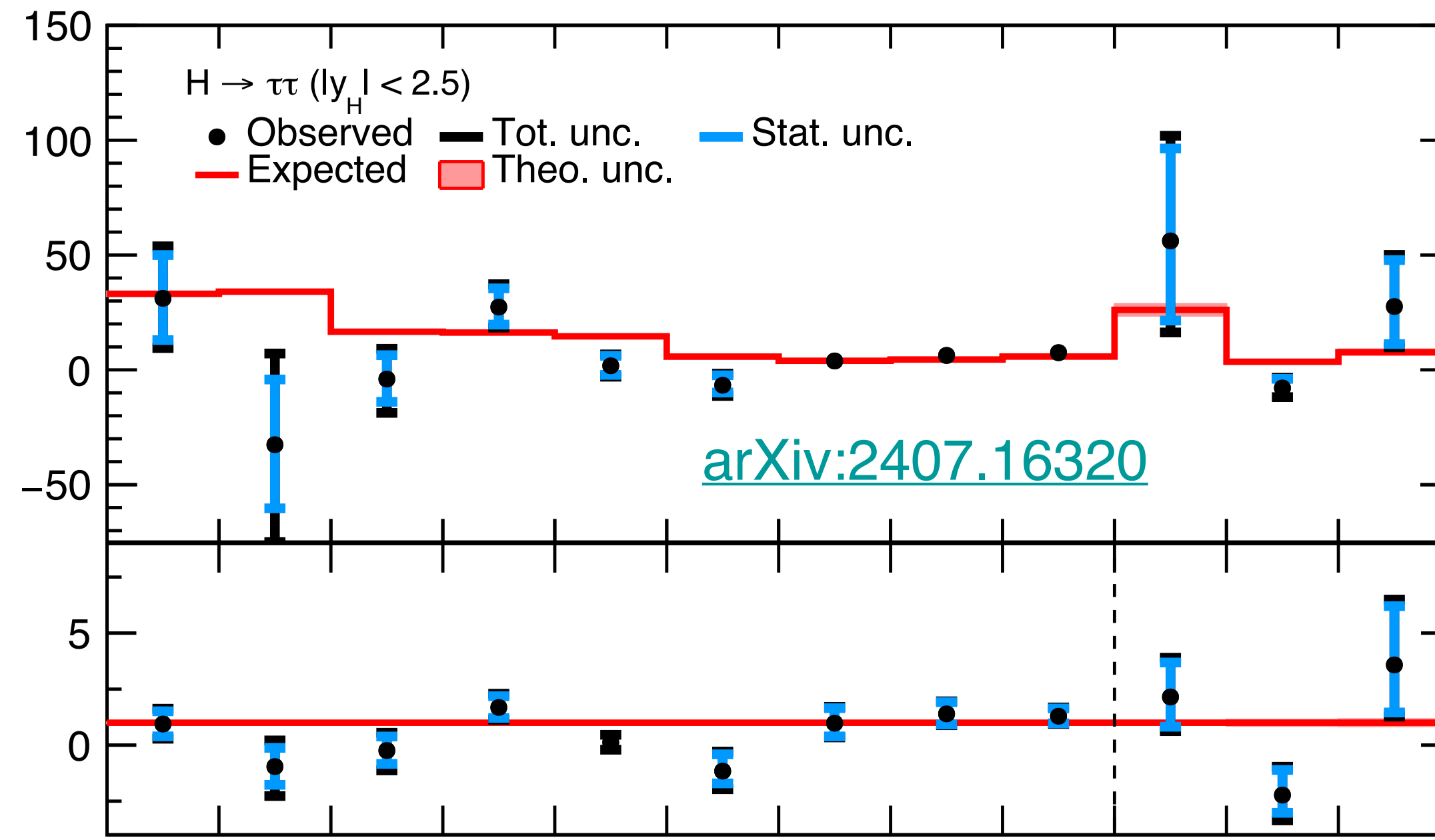
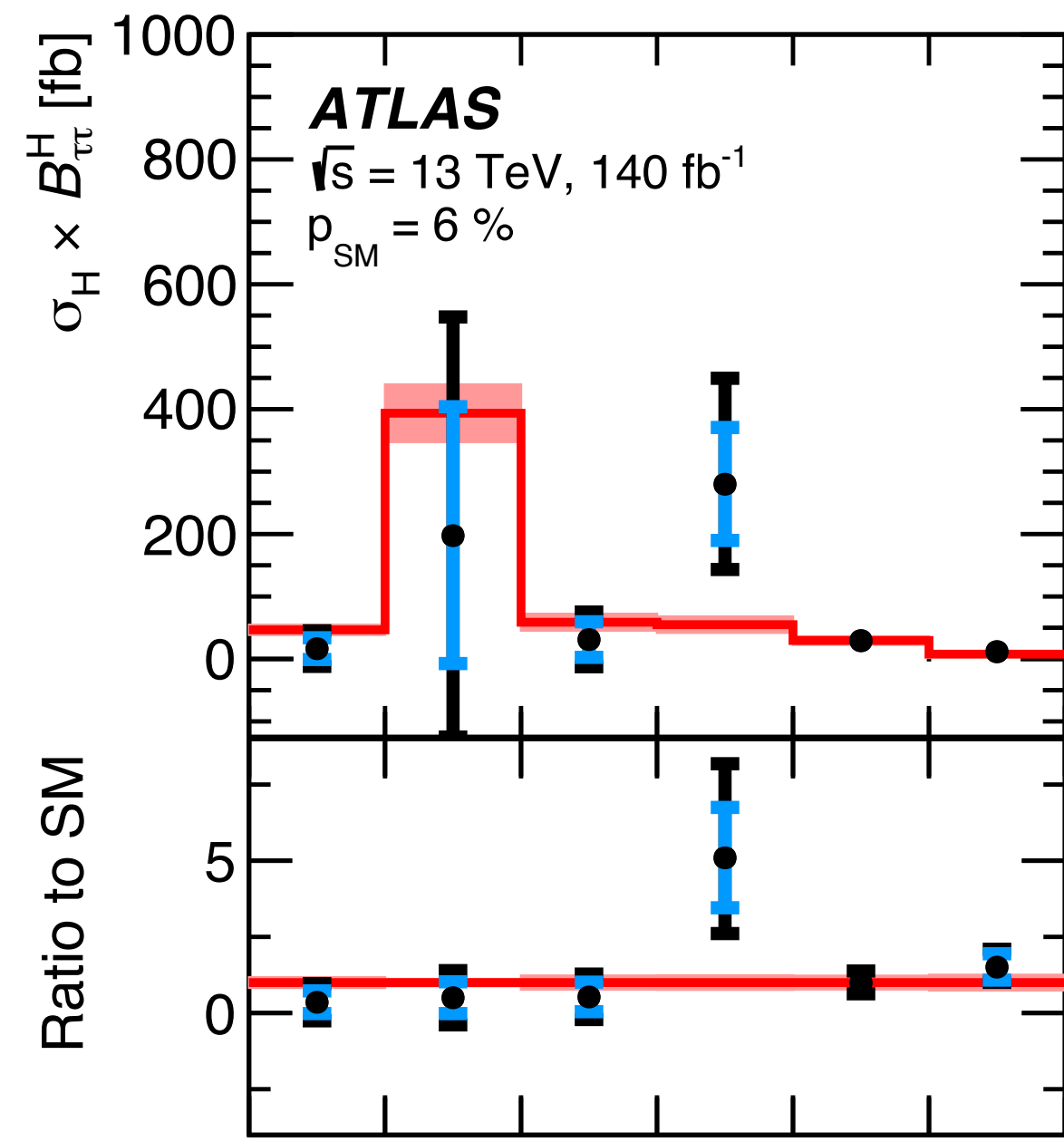
# STXS measurement: boosted $H \rightarrow bb$



- Use **boosted  $H \rightarrow bb$**  to probe **very high  $p_{\text{T}}$  regime** that is sensitive to BSM physics



# STXS/diff. XS measurement: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

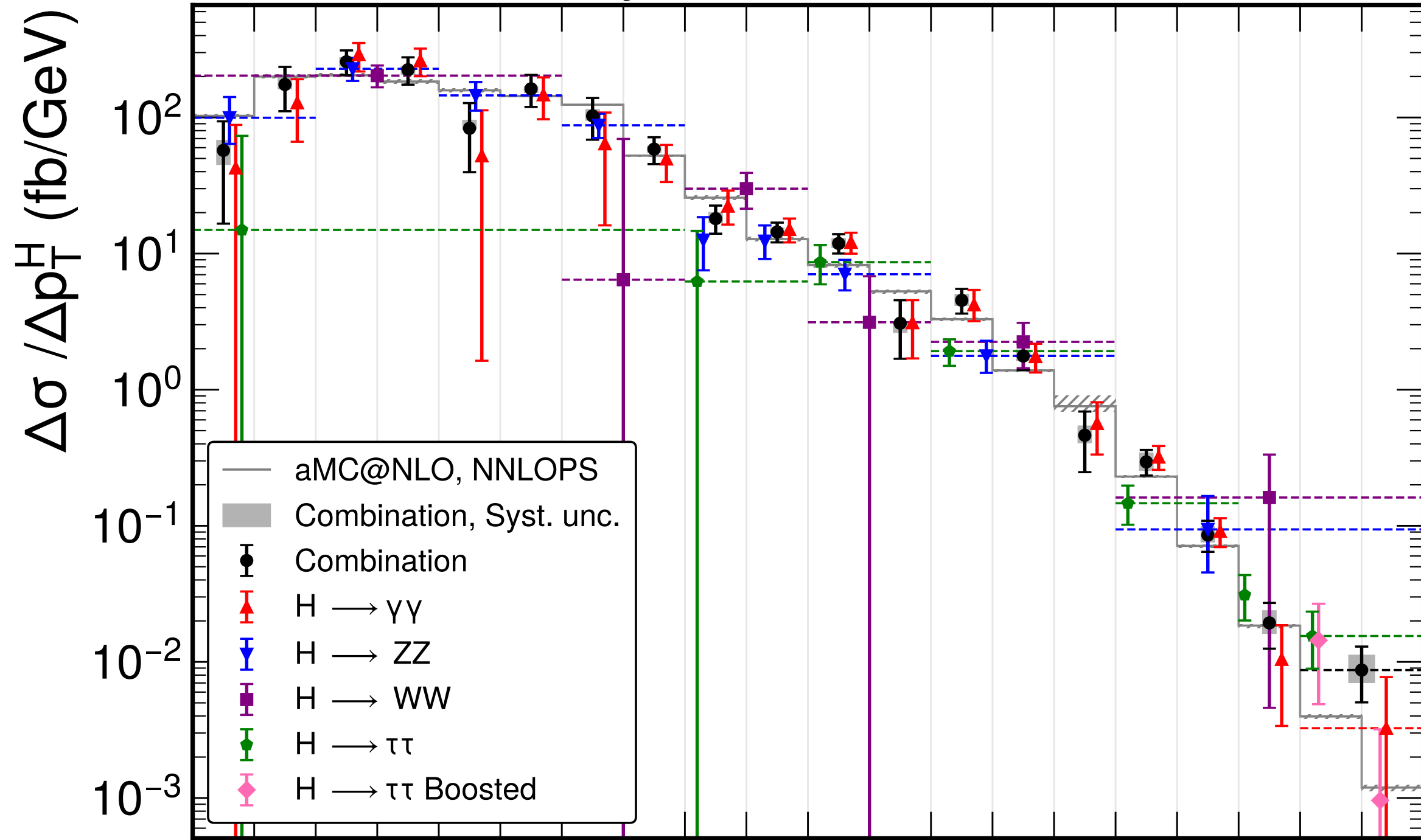


- Powerful channel for probing VBF

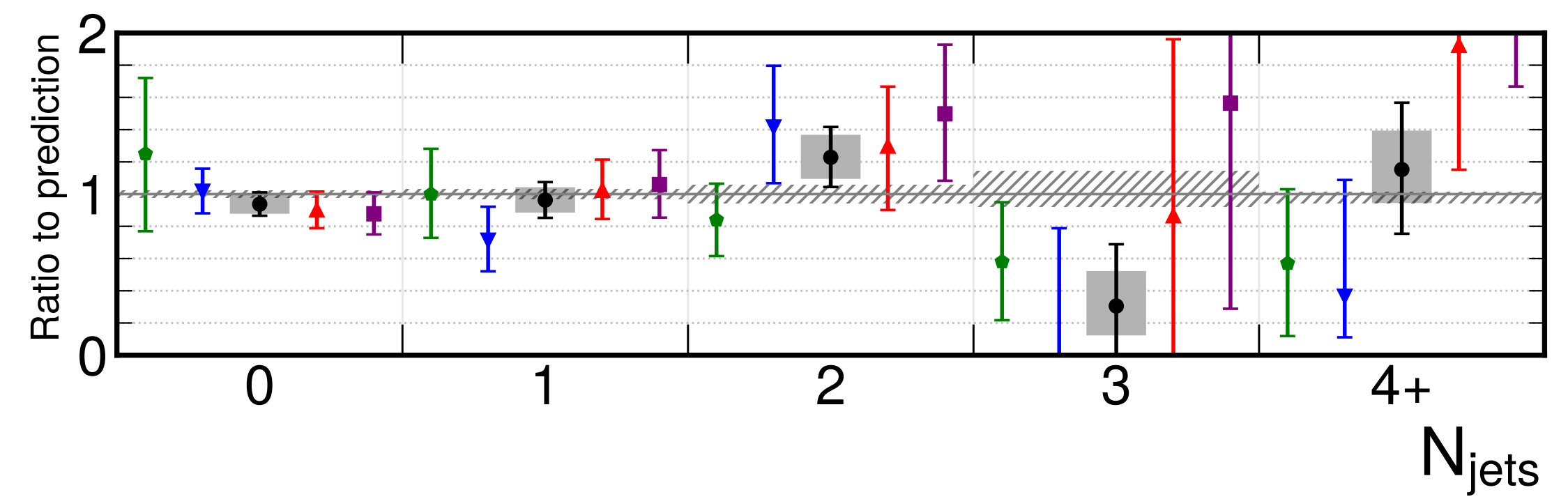
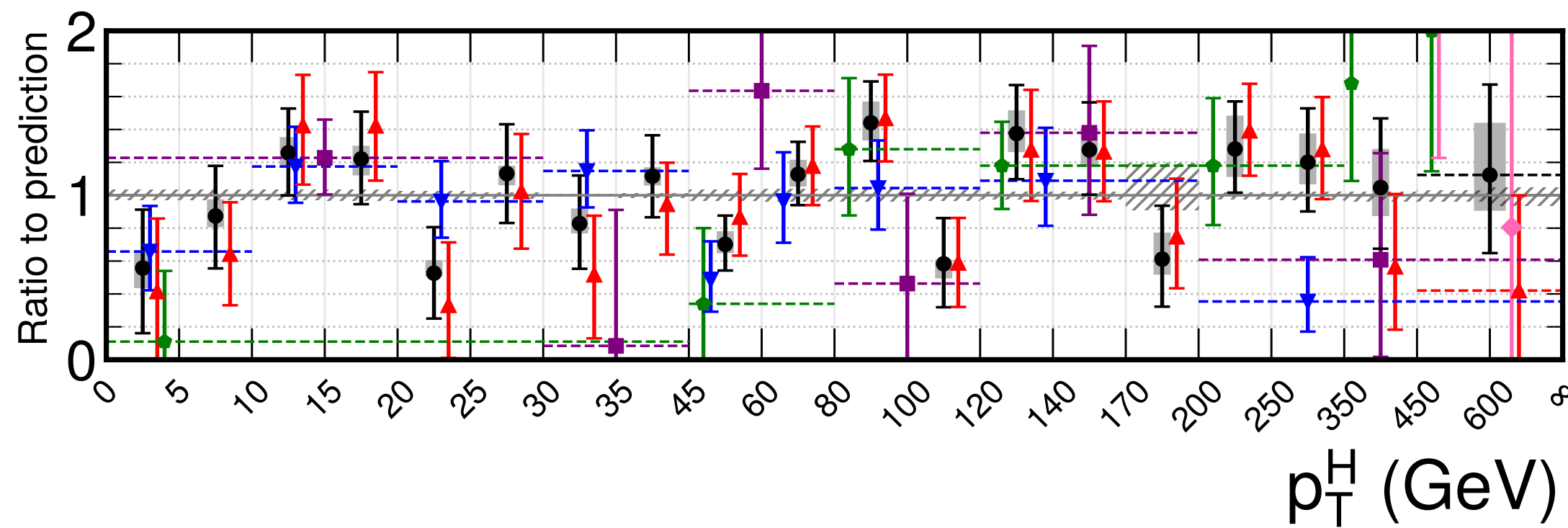
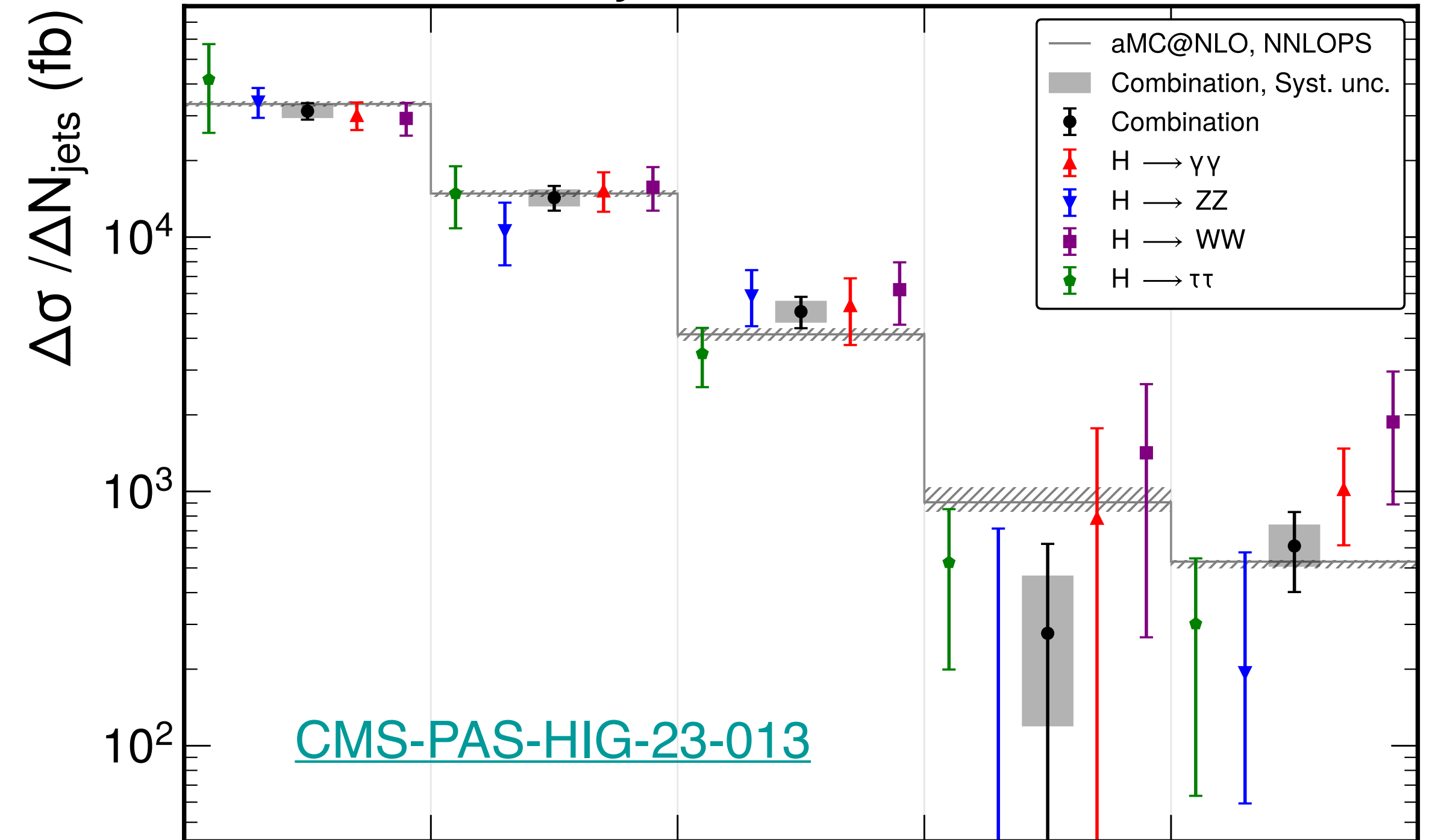


# Diff. XS measurement: full phase-space combination

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



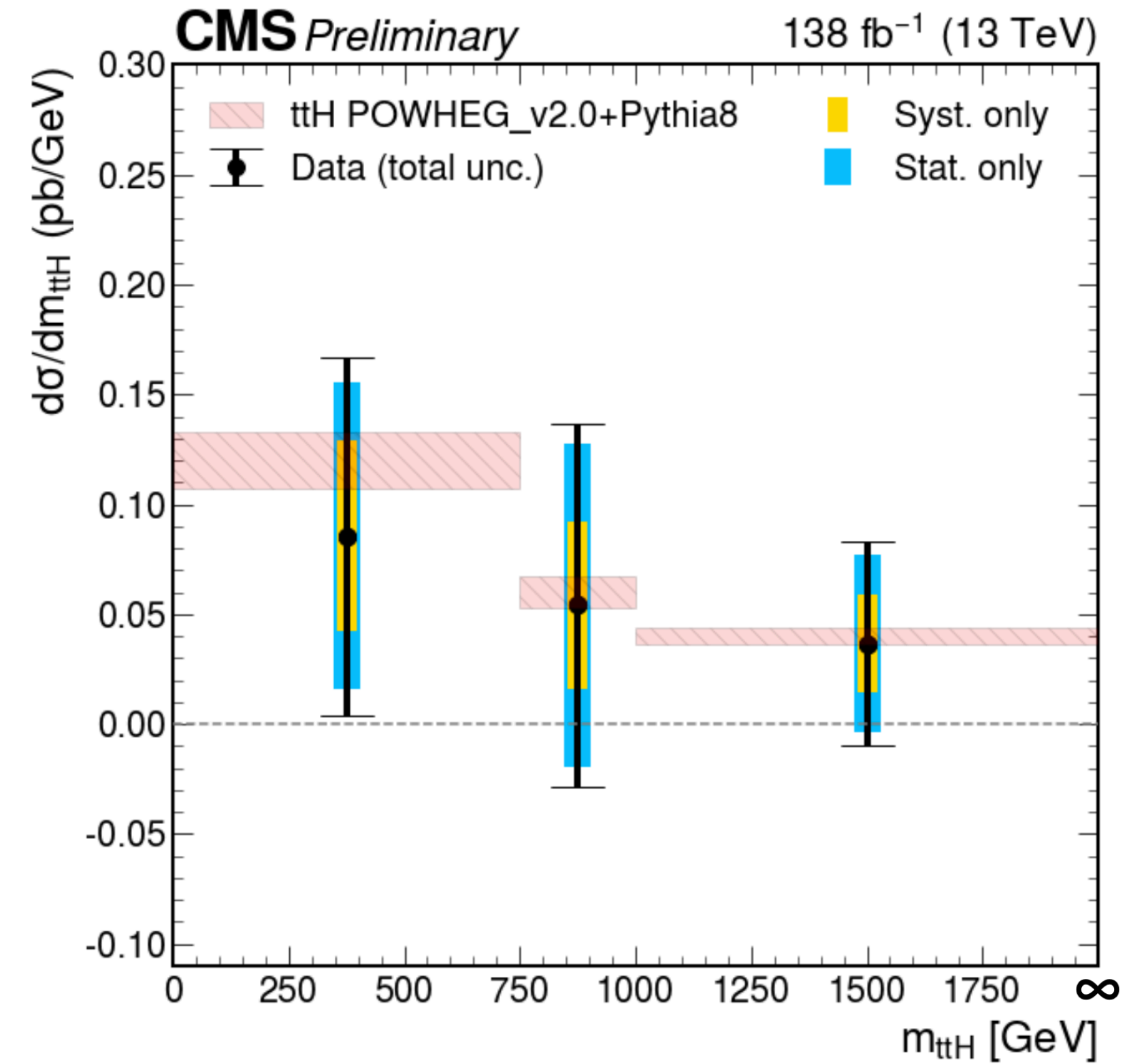
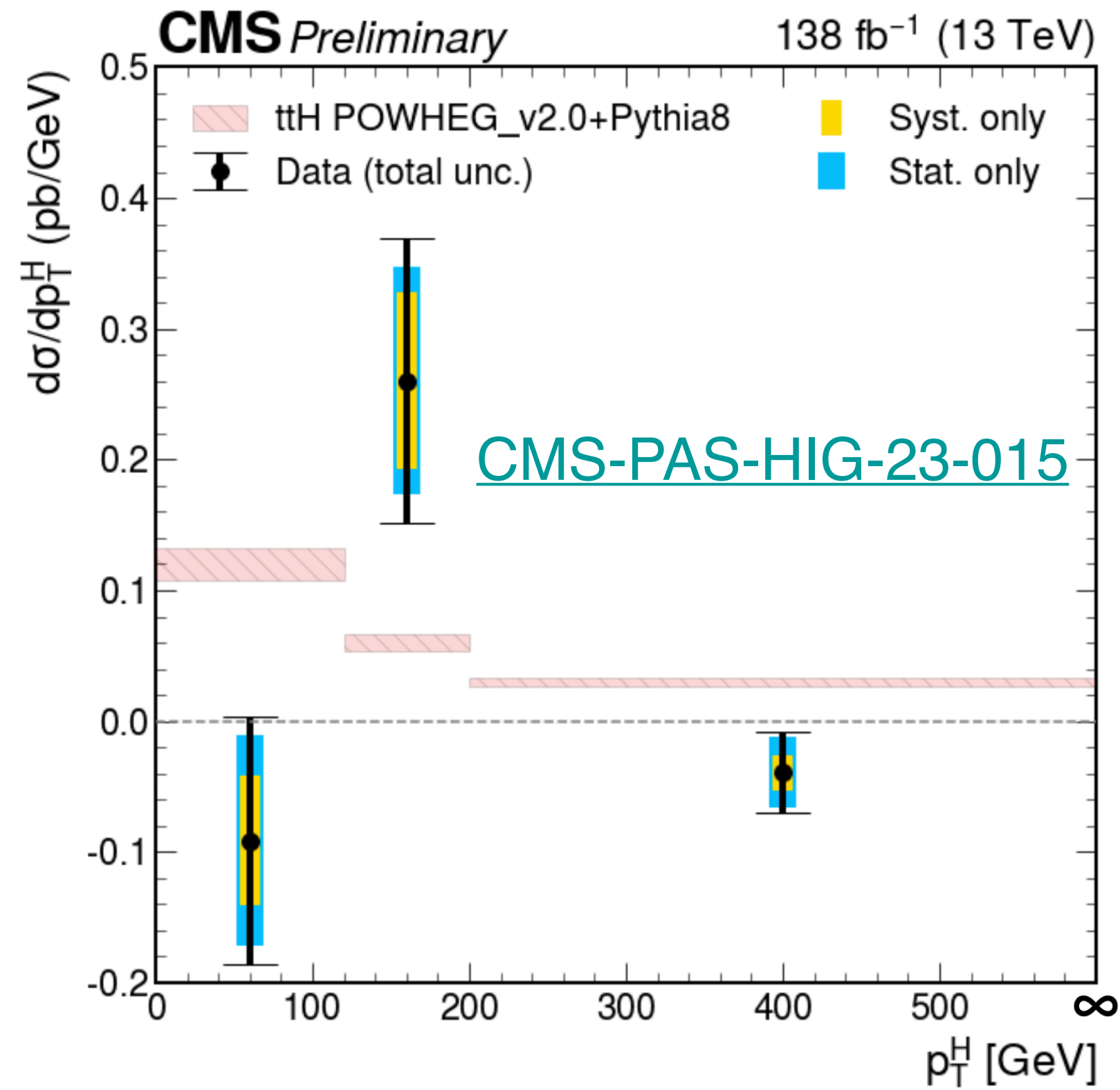
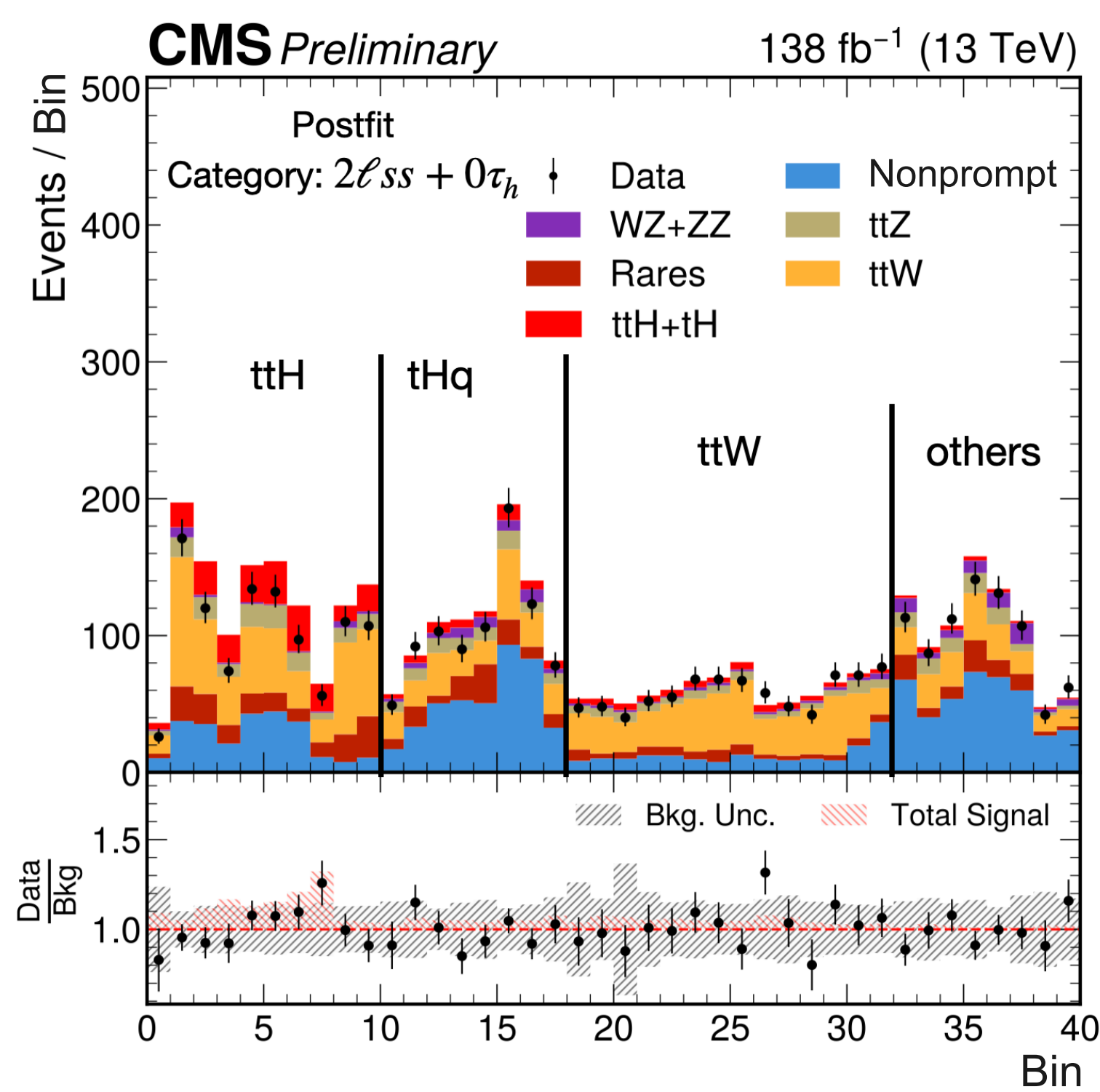
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# Diff. XS measurement: ttH multi-lepton

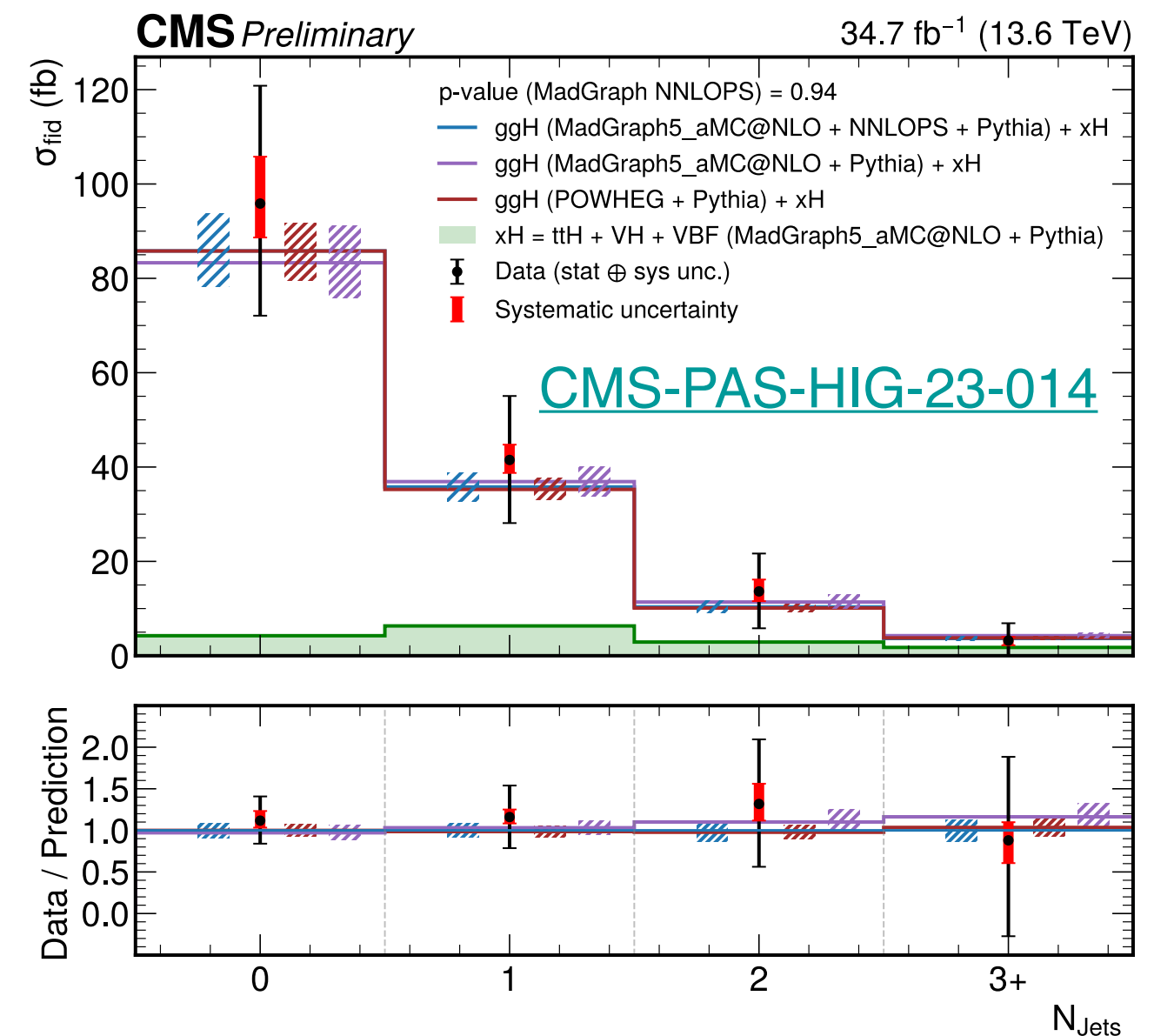
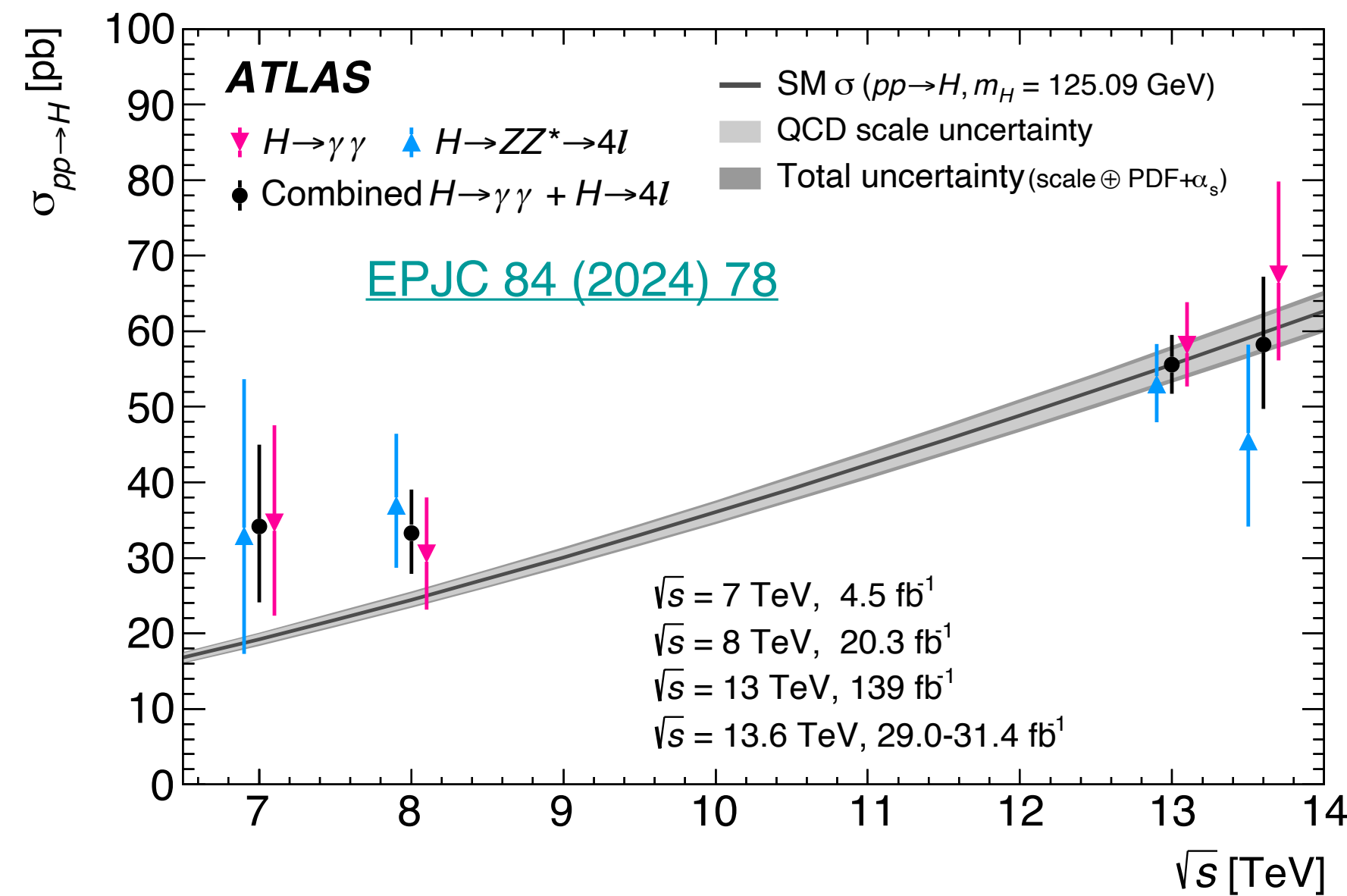
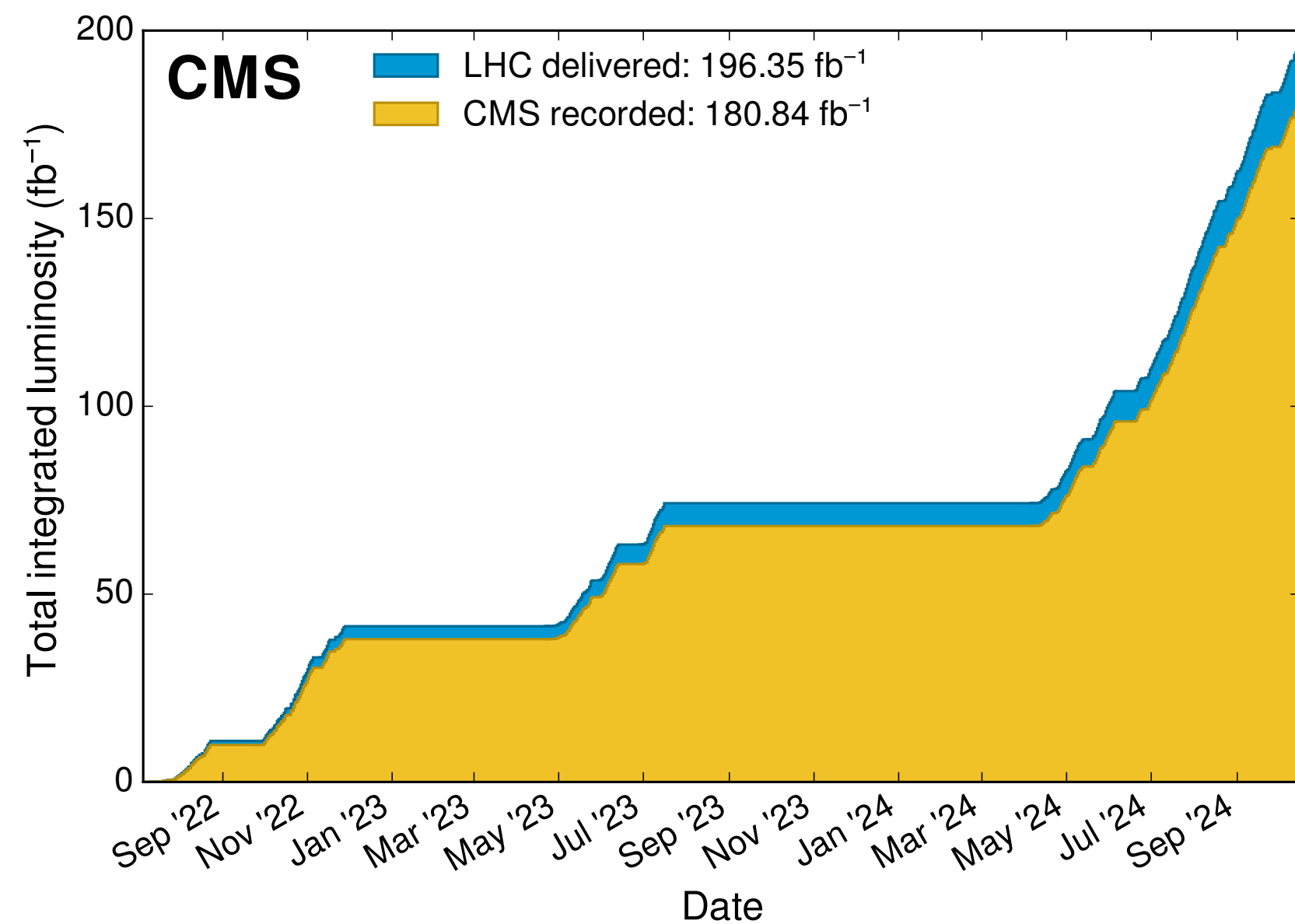


- Use DNN to separate ttH/tH signal from background (at inevitable cost of model dependence)
- Measurement still limited by statistics



# Diff. XS measurement: Run 3 measurements

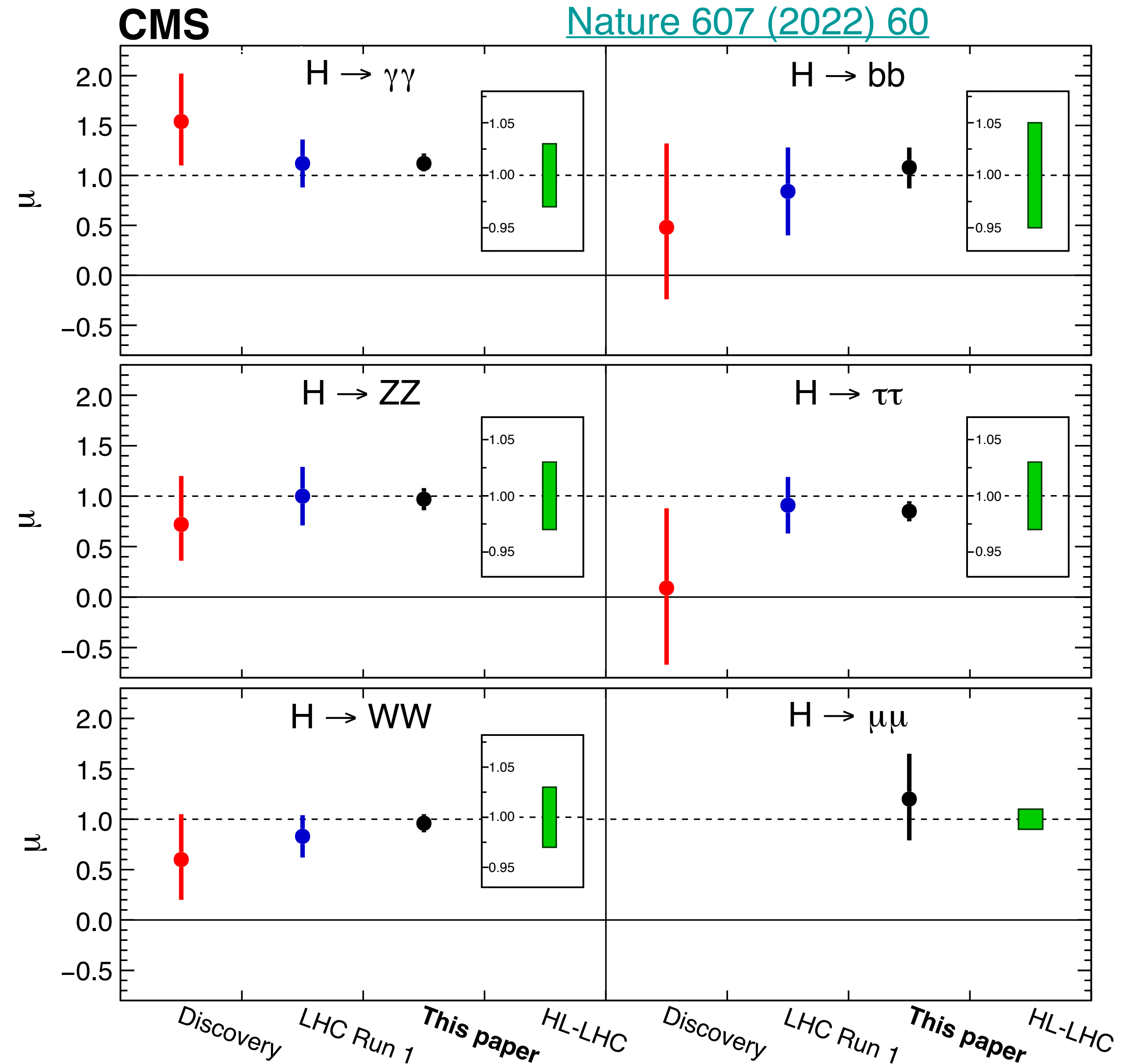
- **Run 3 @13.6 TeV** goes well. Dataset already larger than Run 2
  - Will hopefully reach  $\sim 250 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  by Summer 2026: x3 stats
- First Higgs boson measurements based on 2022 data done by both ATLAS and CMS





# Conclusions

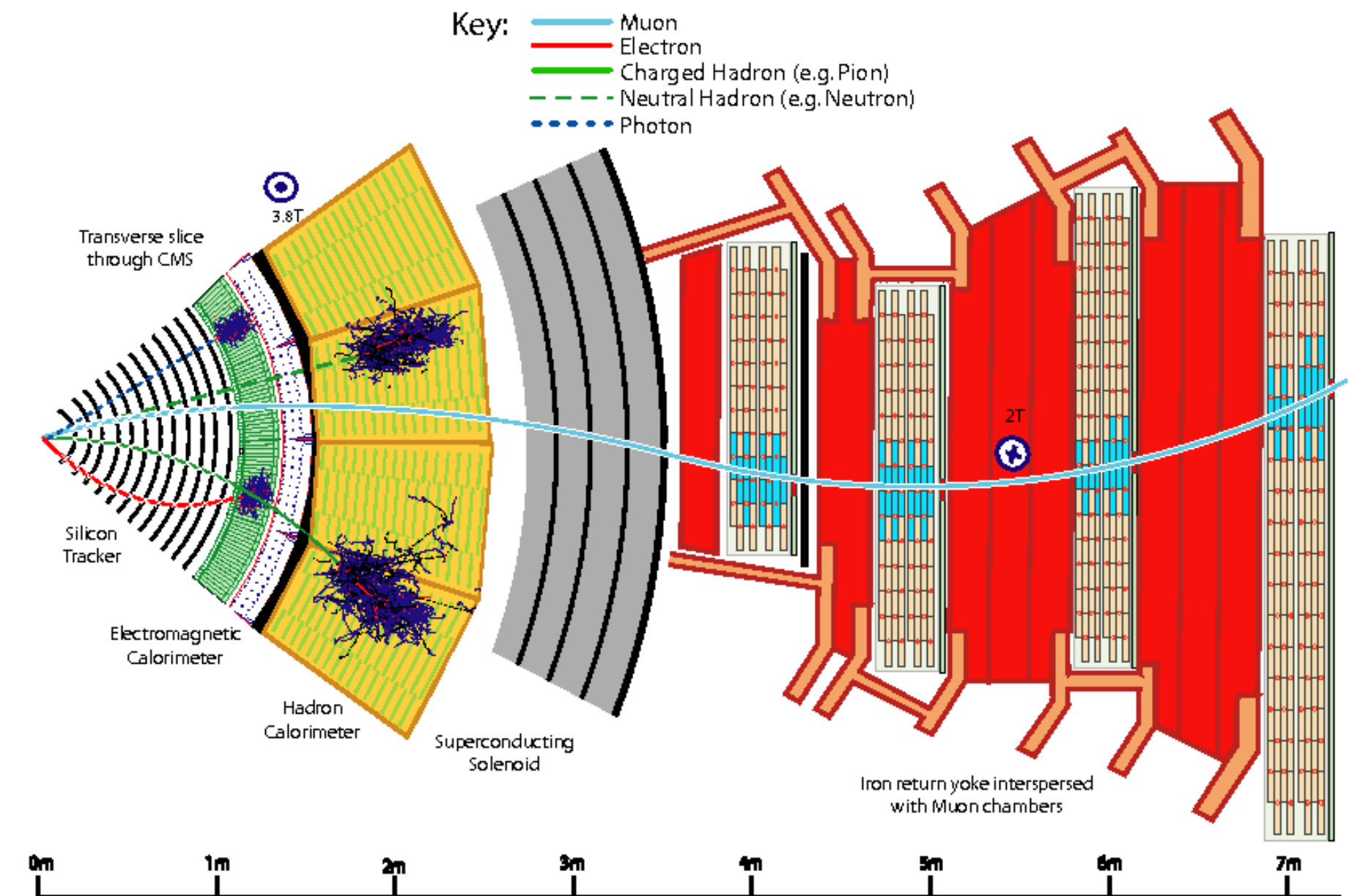
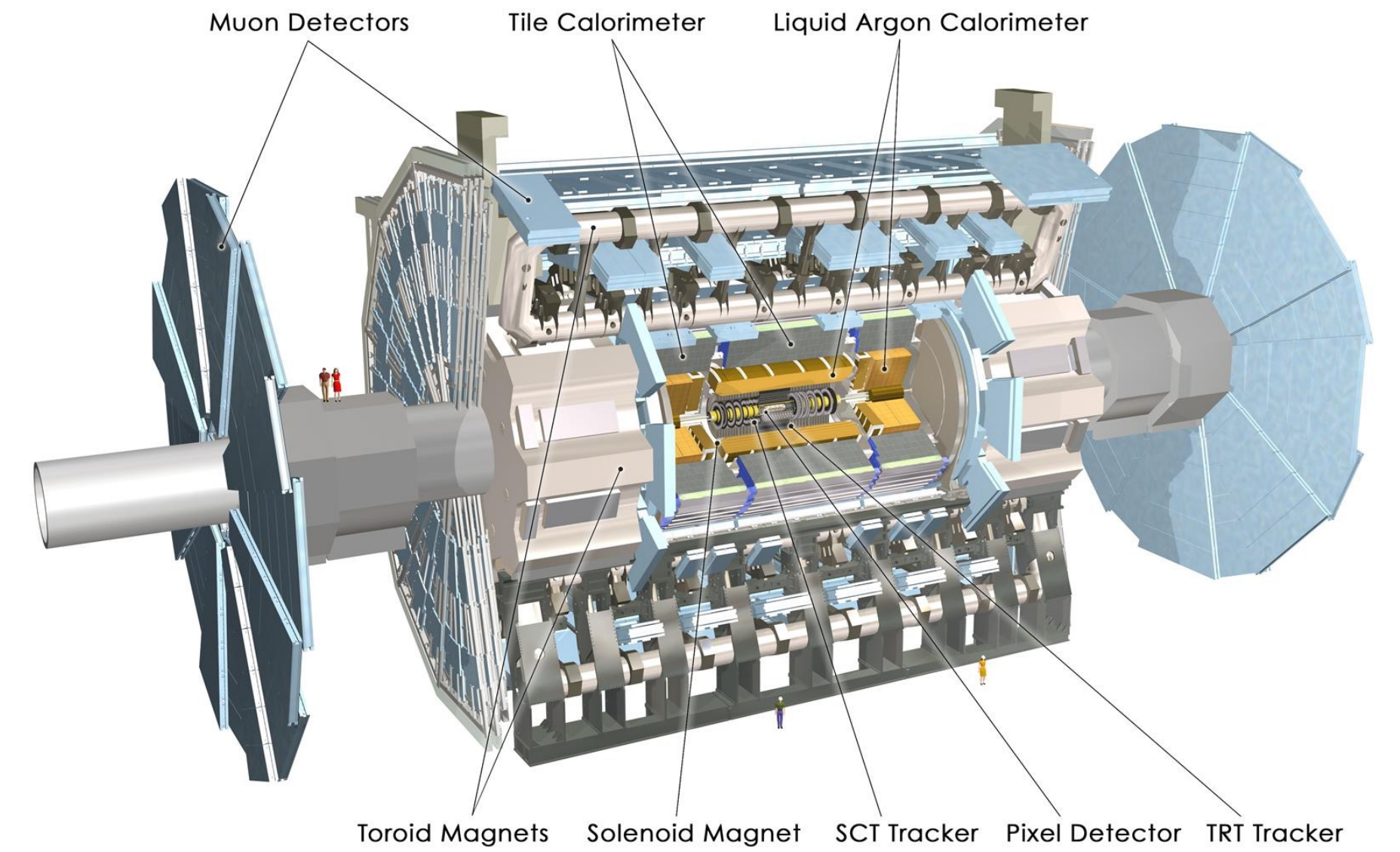
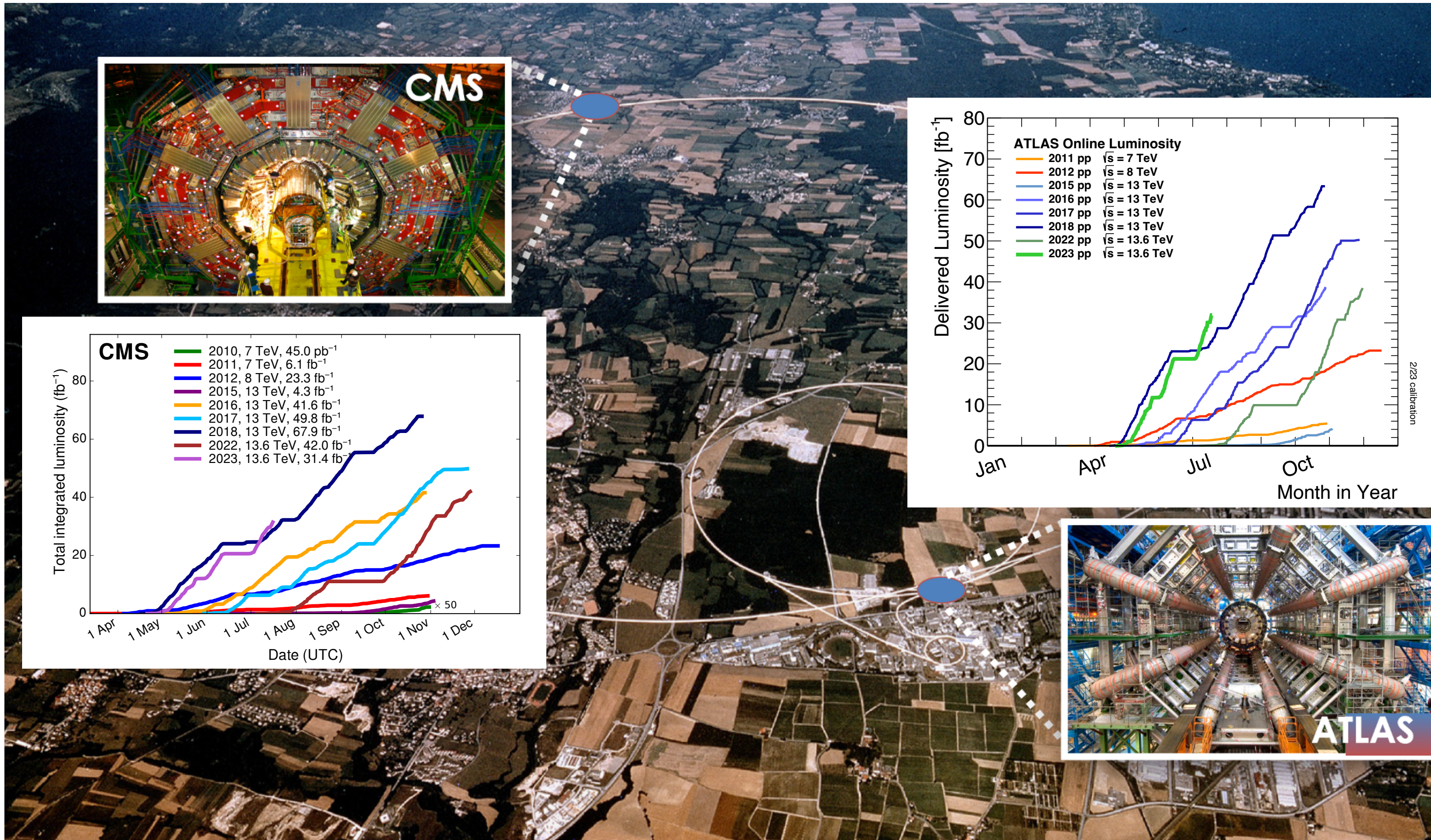
- With **Run 2 data** (+ Run 1), we have
  - **0.09%** precision on Higgs boson mass
  - **~50%** precision on  $\Gamma_H$  from off-shell
  - **~10%** precision on production xs
- First Run 3 results available
- **x20** larger Higgs boson sample at HL-LHC: improve precision by **~5**
- **Higgs boson precision measurements at LHC & beyond will decide the future of our field**





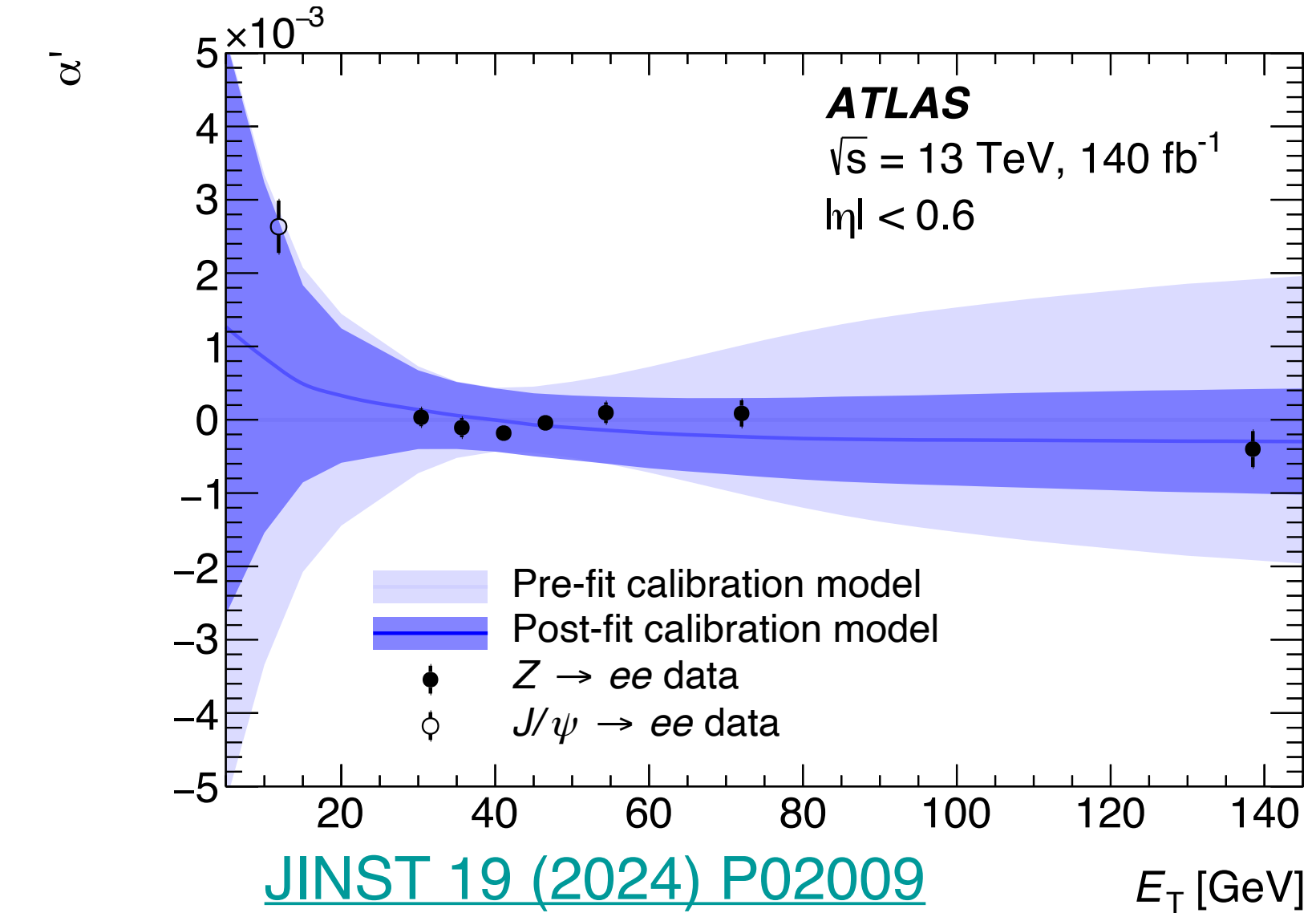
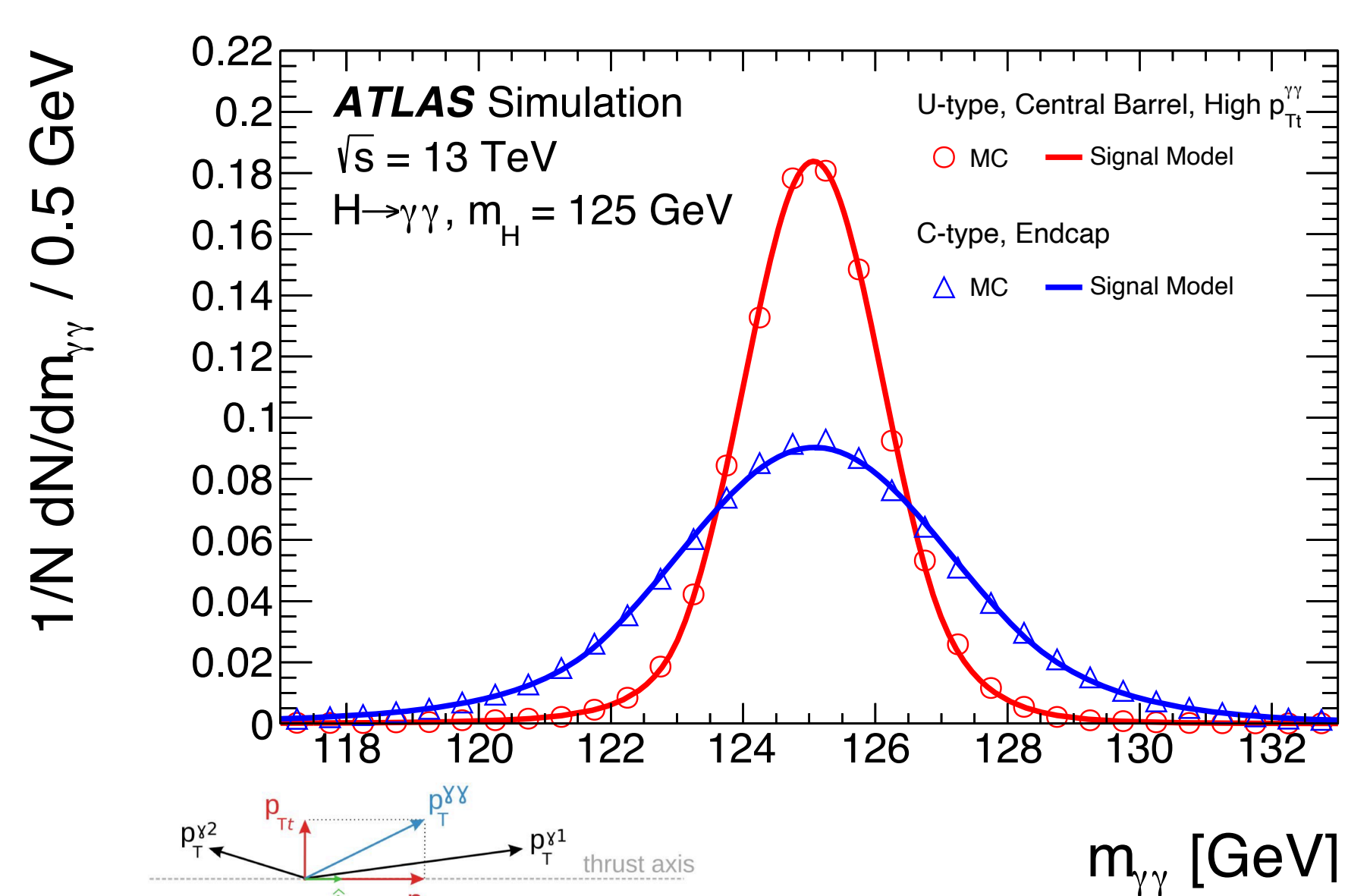
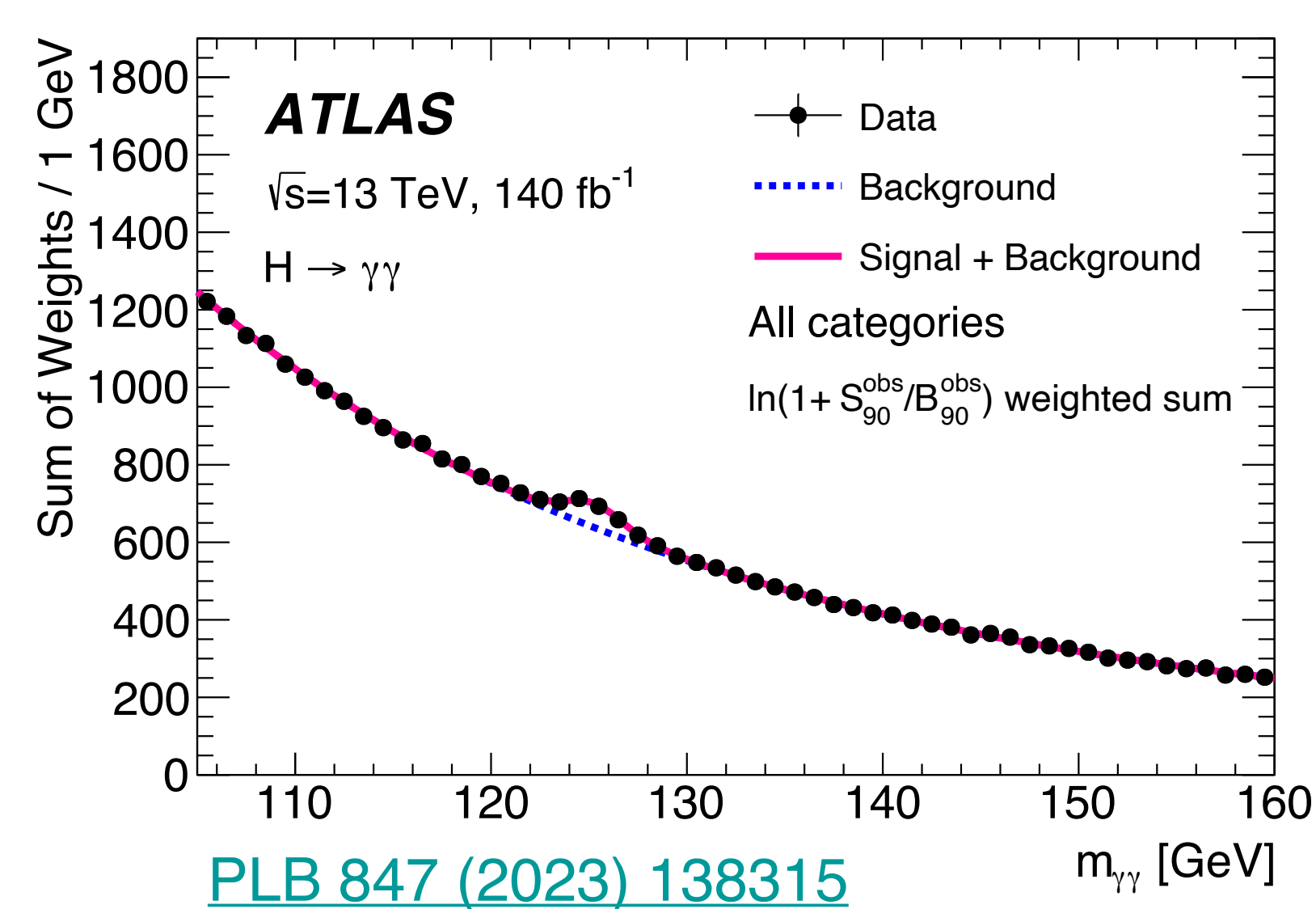
# Backup

# ATLAS and CMS experiments at LHC

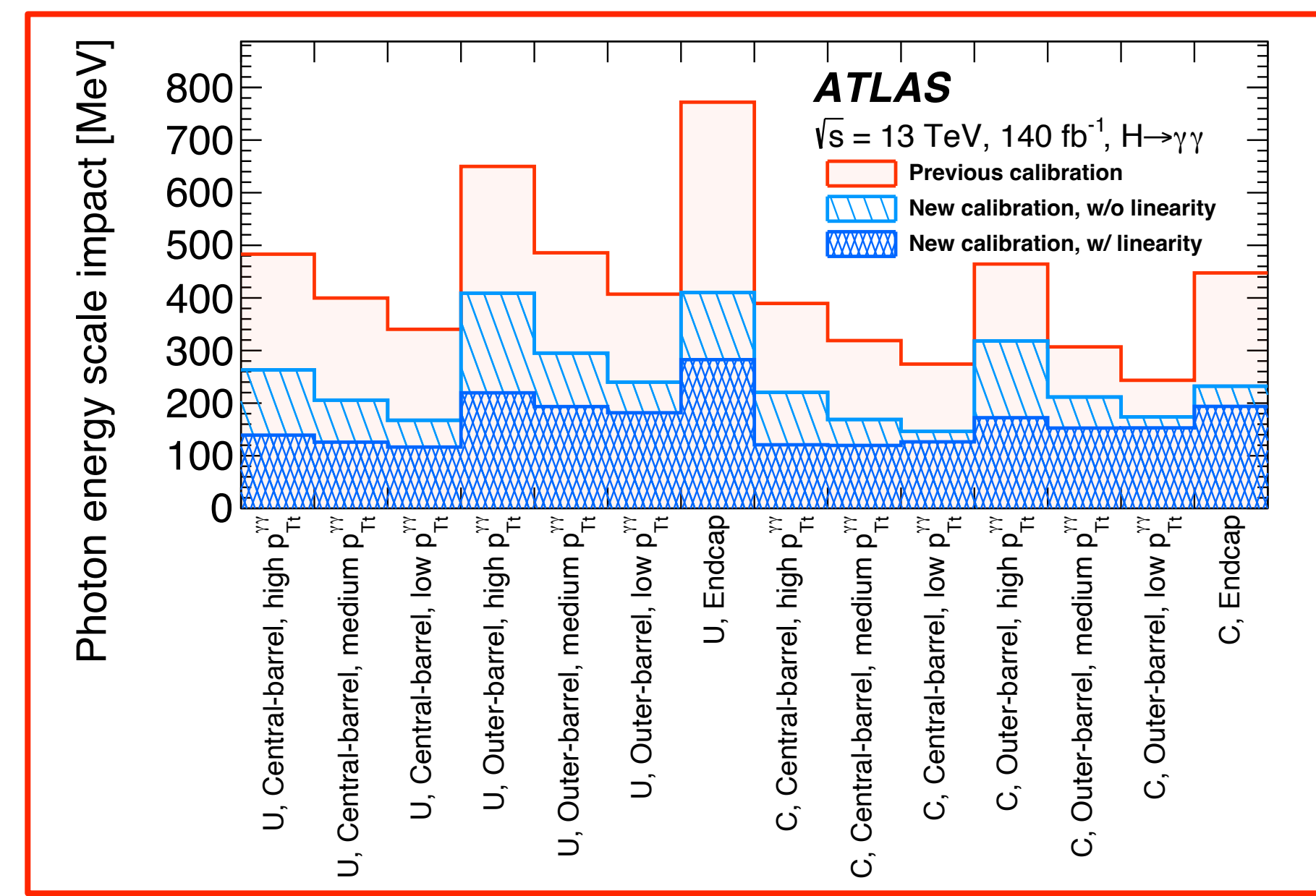


- At  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV during LHC Run 2 (2015-2018), about **56000** Higgs bosons were produced in every  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  of p-p collision data
- Only selecting **O(0.1%)** for physics analyses due to various challenges: trigger, reconstruction and identification inefficiency...

# Measurement in $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ channel

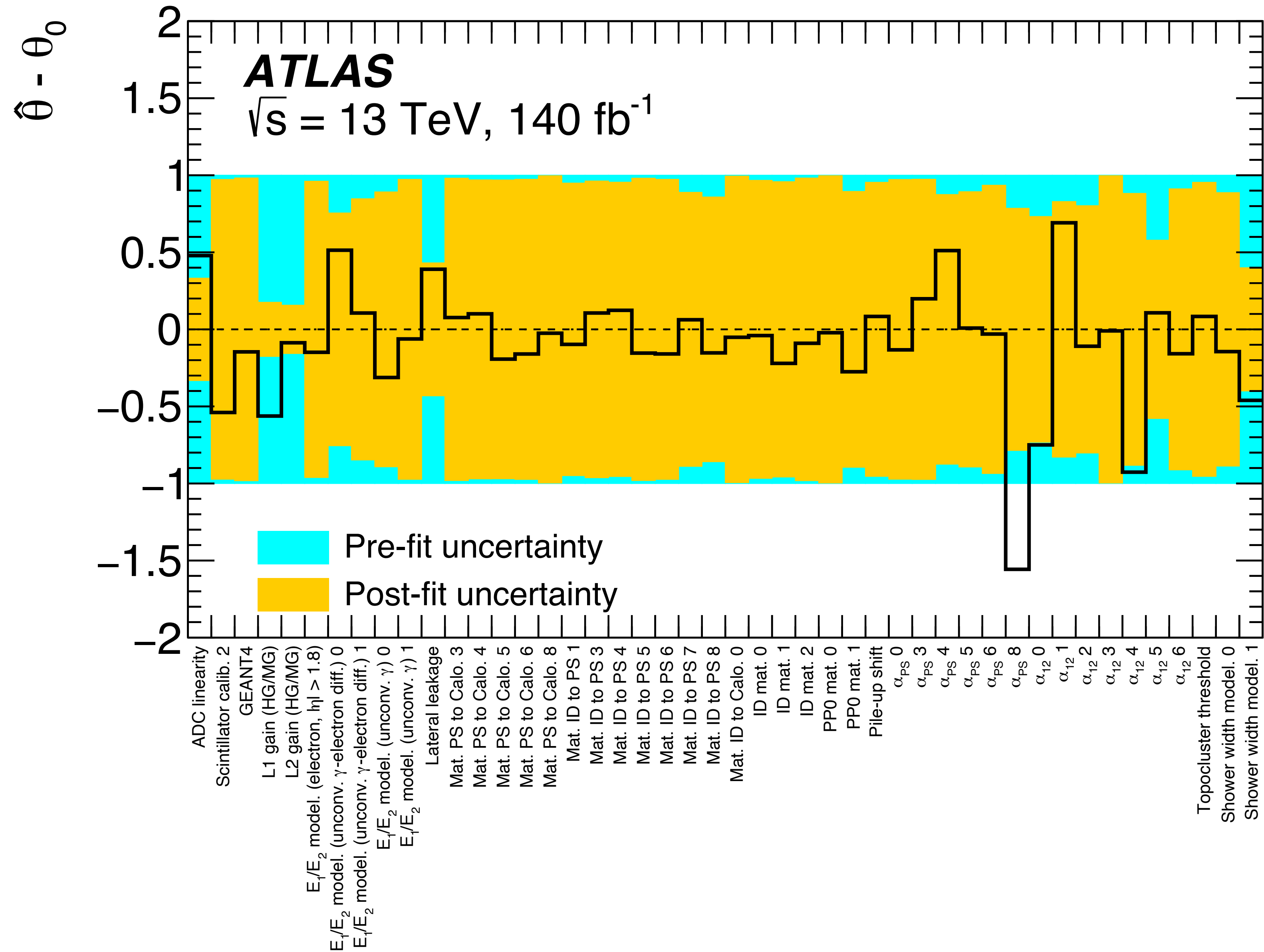


- Categorization by detector region,  $\gamma$  conversion type, and  $p_{T\gamma}$  improves total uncert. by **17%** compared with inclusive case
- Reduction of syst uncertainty by **factor of 4** compared with previous iteration based on partial Run 2 data
  - Improved photon energy scale calibration (and also E resolution)
  - Better constraint of  $E_T$  dependent  $e \rightarrow \gamma$  extrapolation uncertainty using  $Z \rightarrow ee$  data (“linearity fit”)



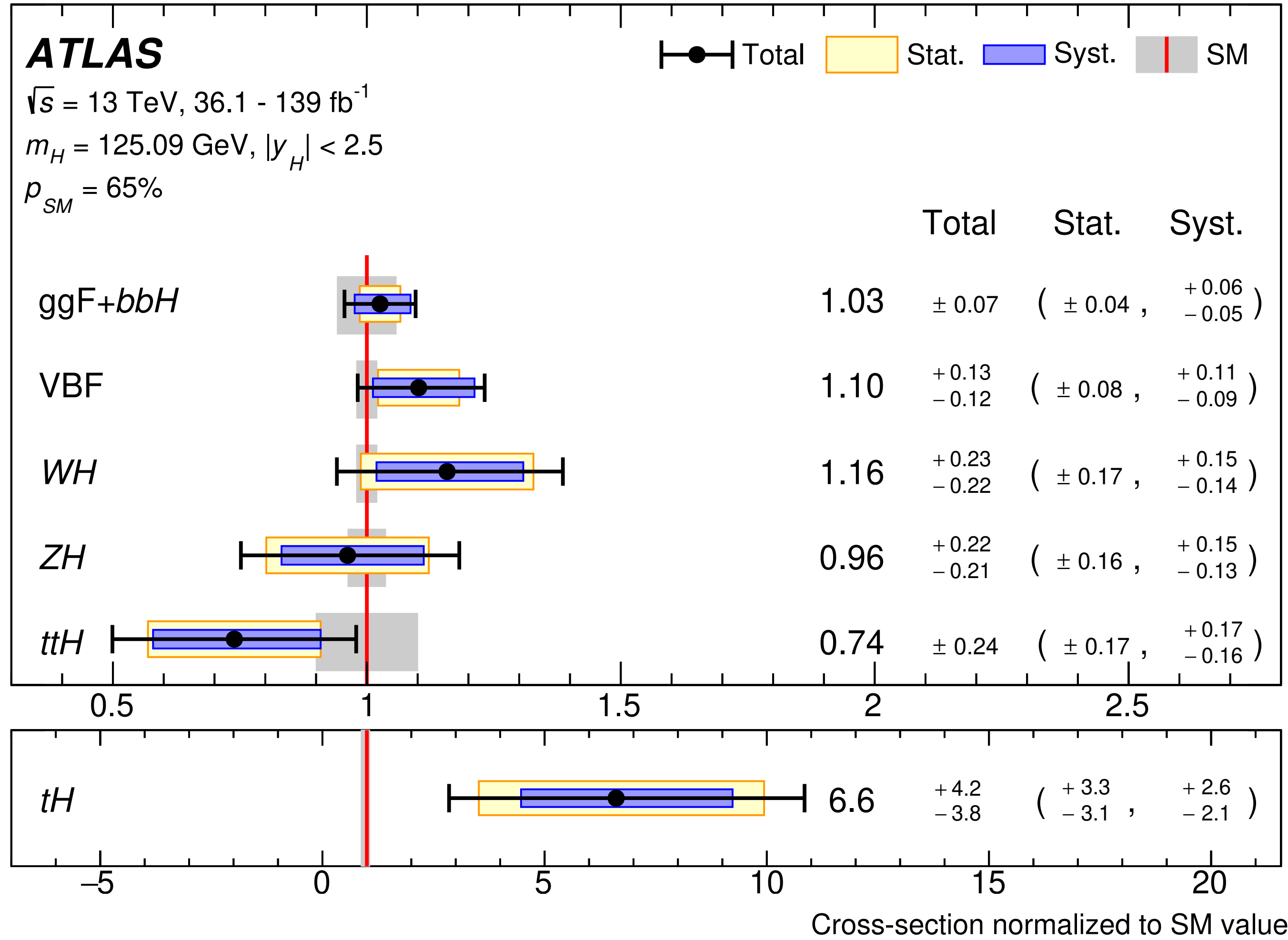


# Reduction of e/γ energy scale syst from linearity fit



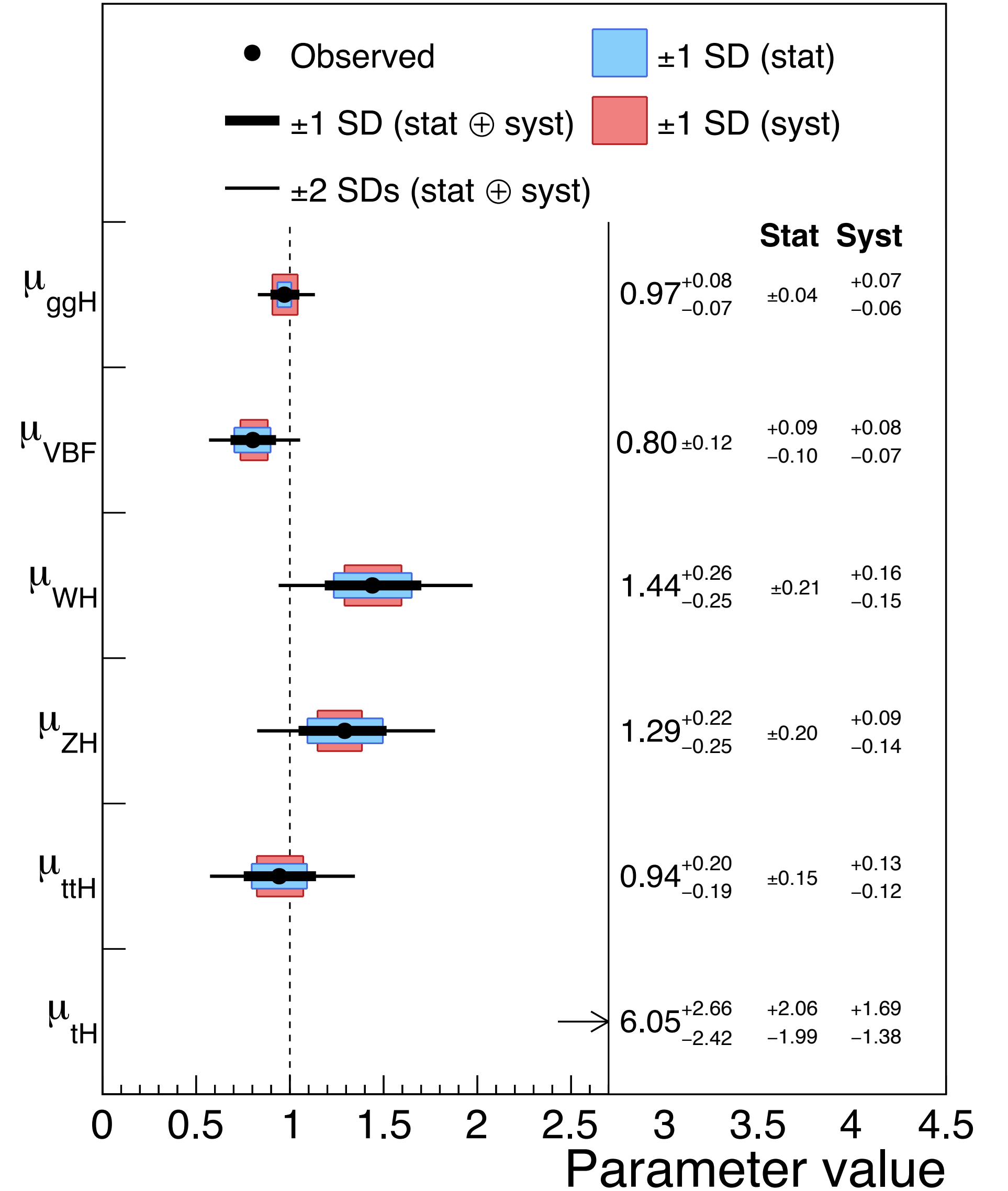


# Higgs boson productions ATLAS vs. CMS



## CMS

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







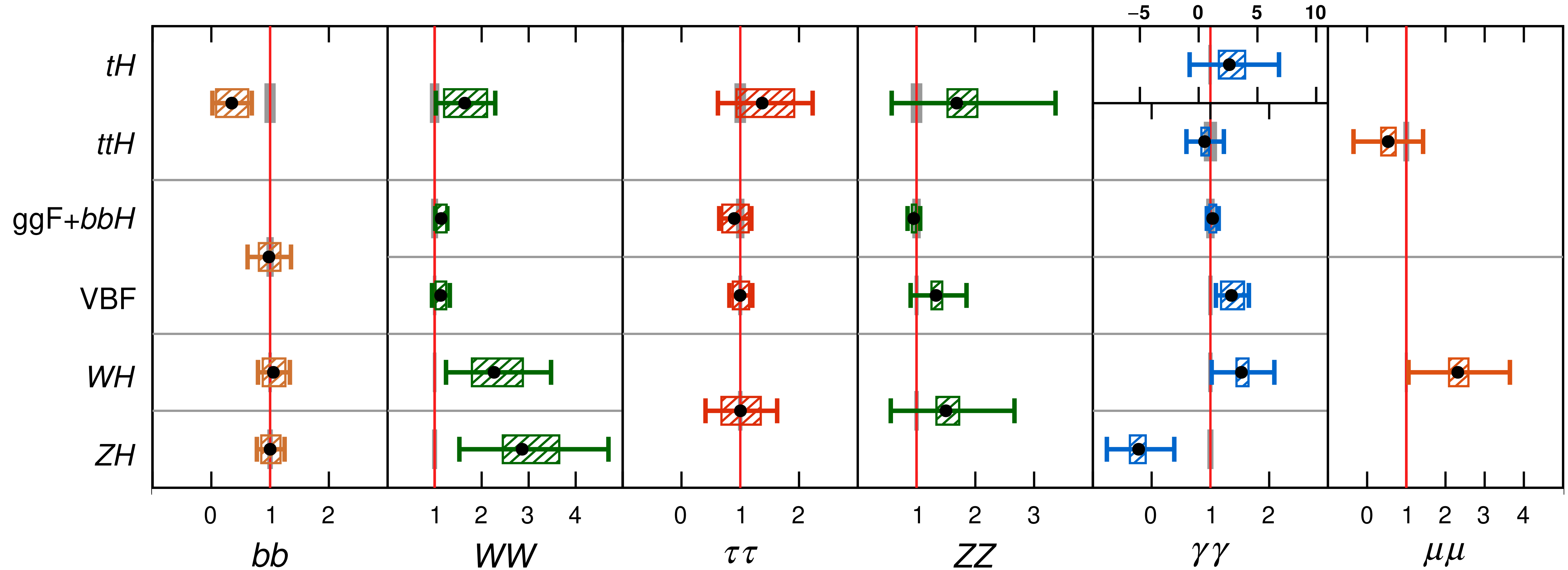
# Production cross-section times decay BR

## ATLAS Run 2

● Data (Total uncertainty)

▨ Syst. uncertainty

— SM prediction



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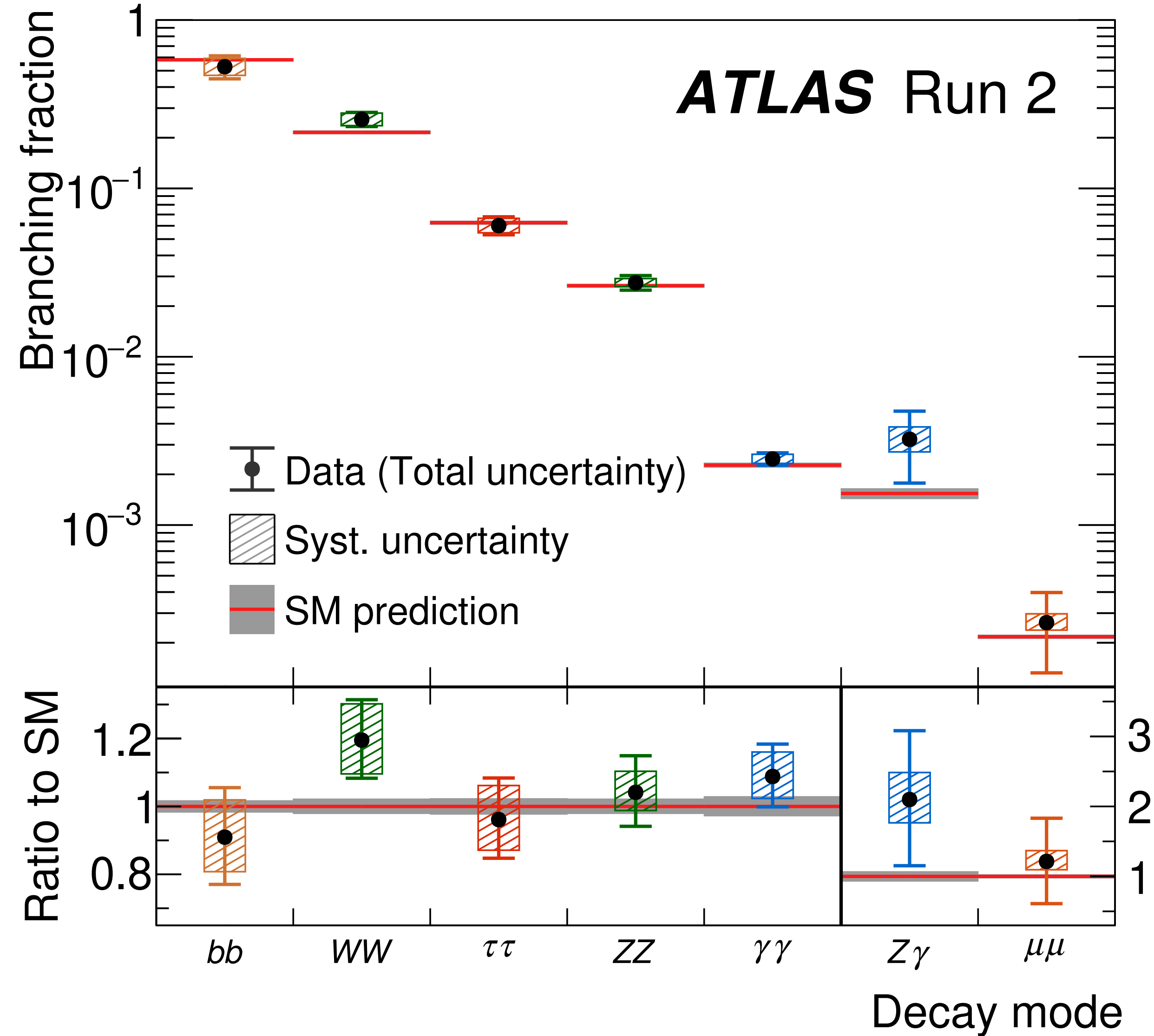
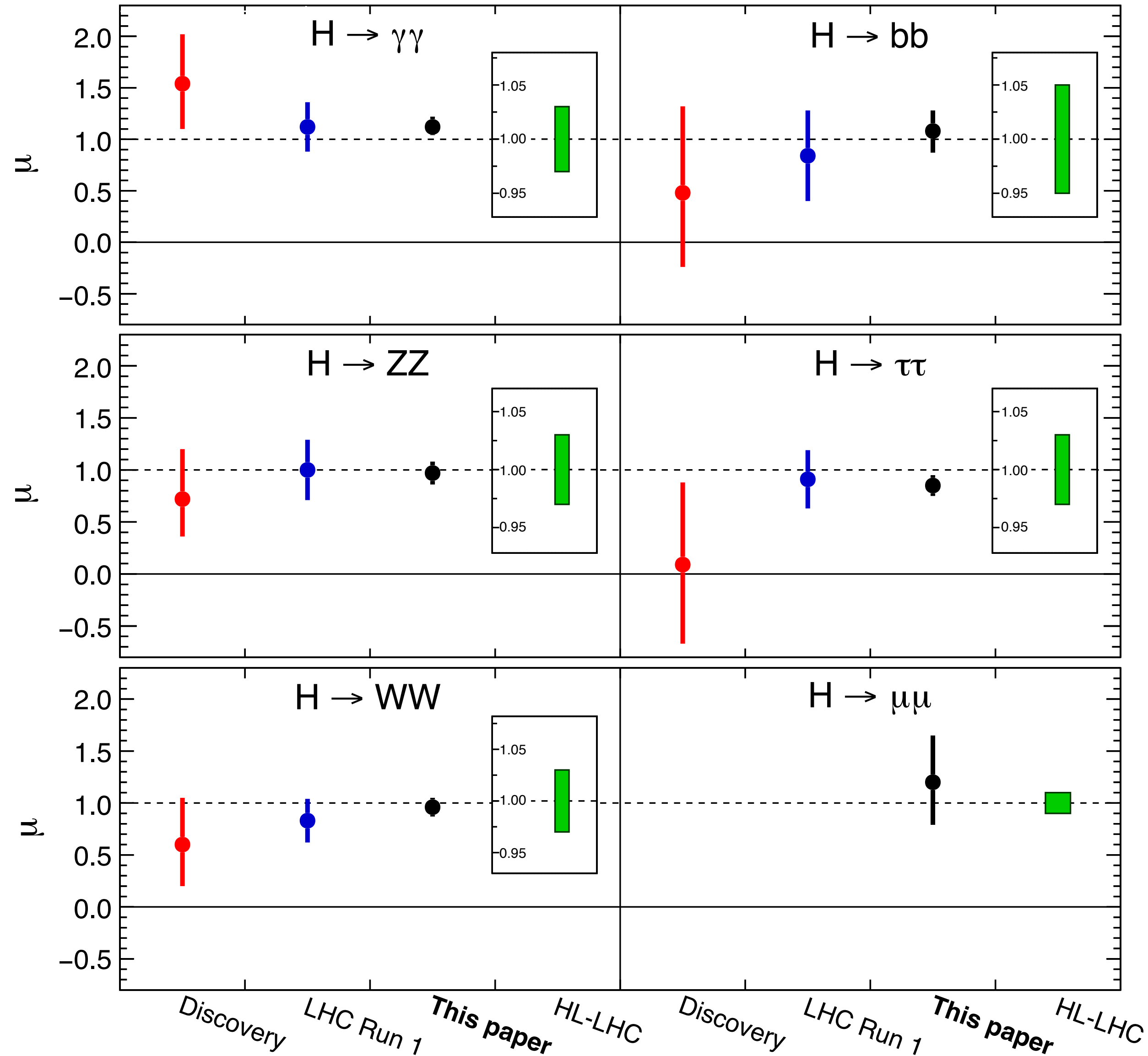
$\sigma \times B$  normalized to SM prediction

- Interesting combination of production & decay still to be explored: see our joker talk!



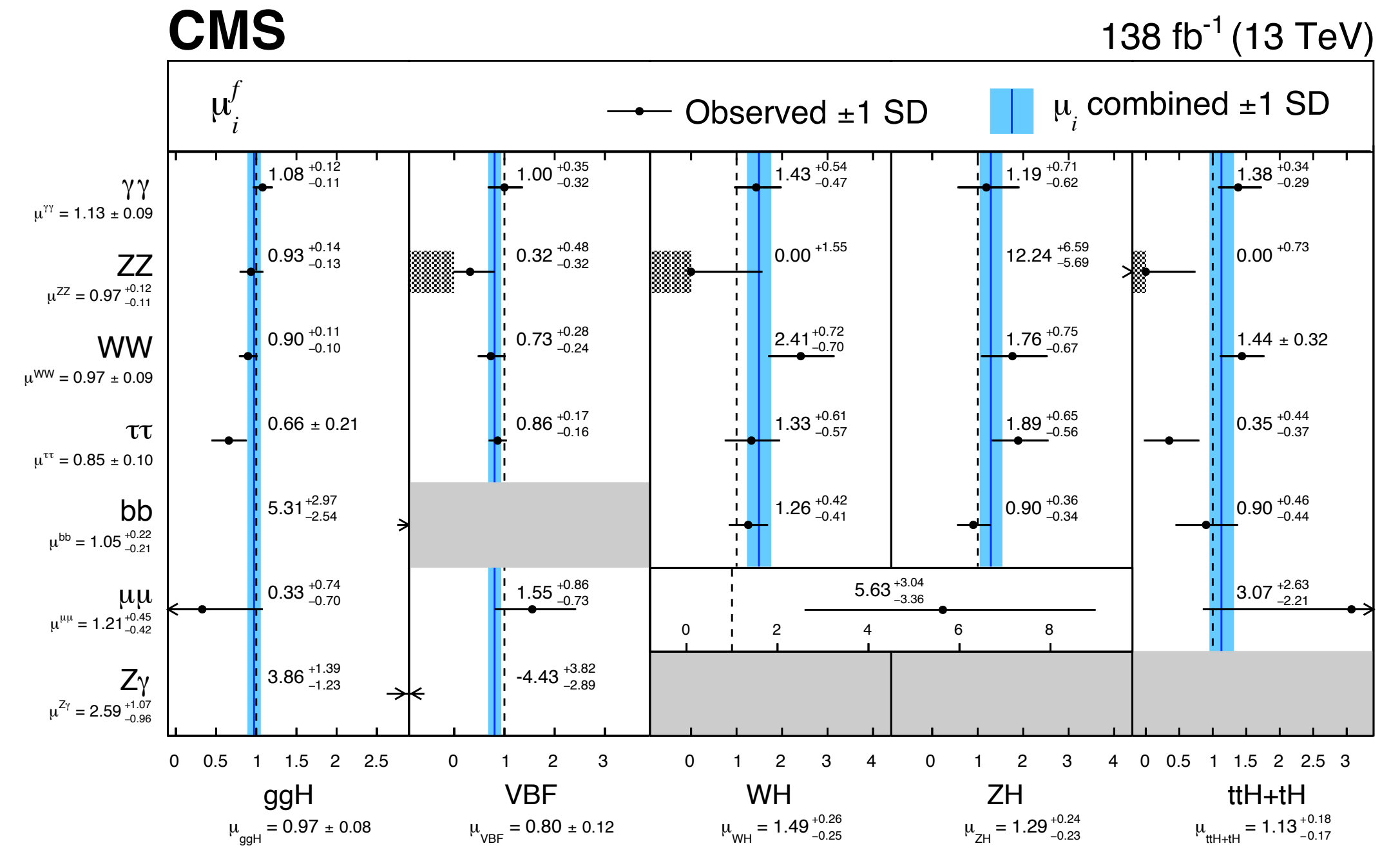
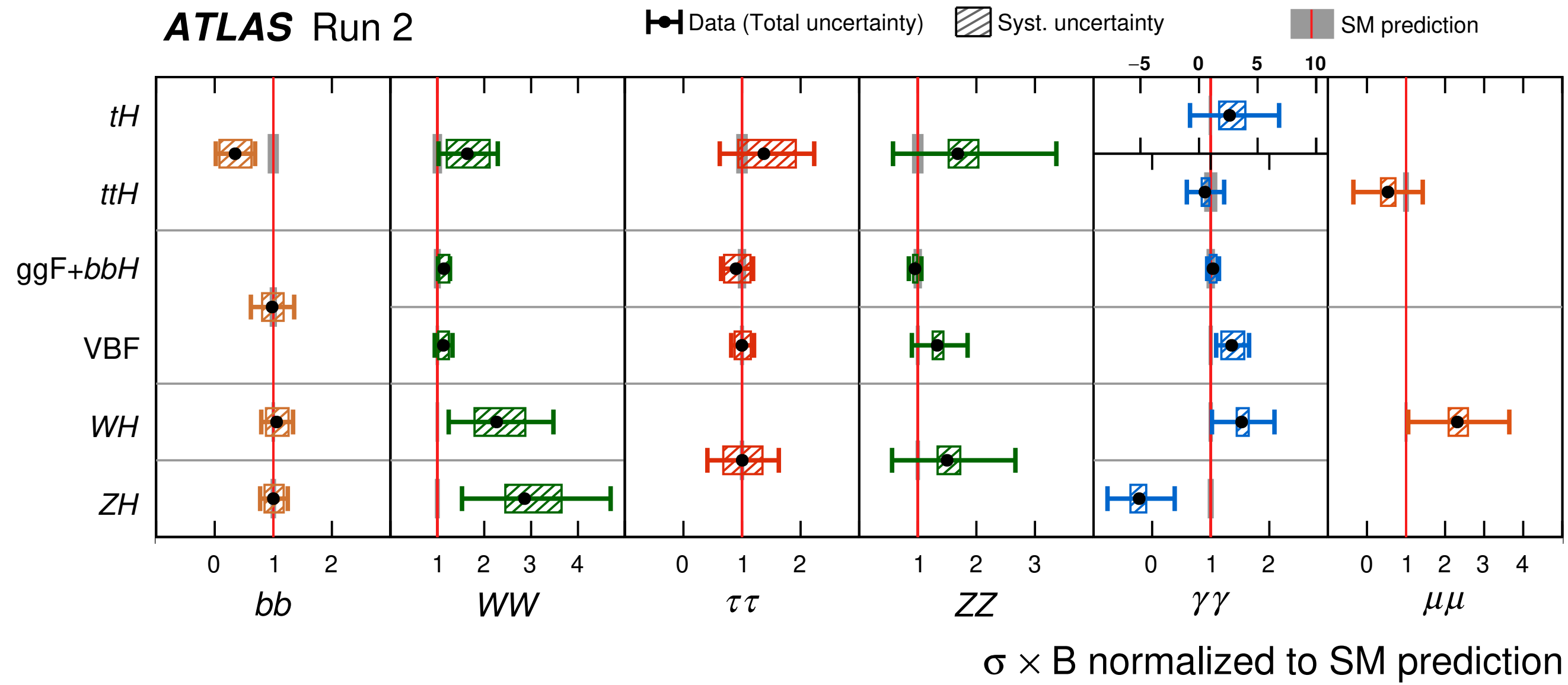
# Higgs boson decays ATLAS vs. CMS

## CMS





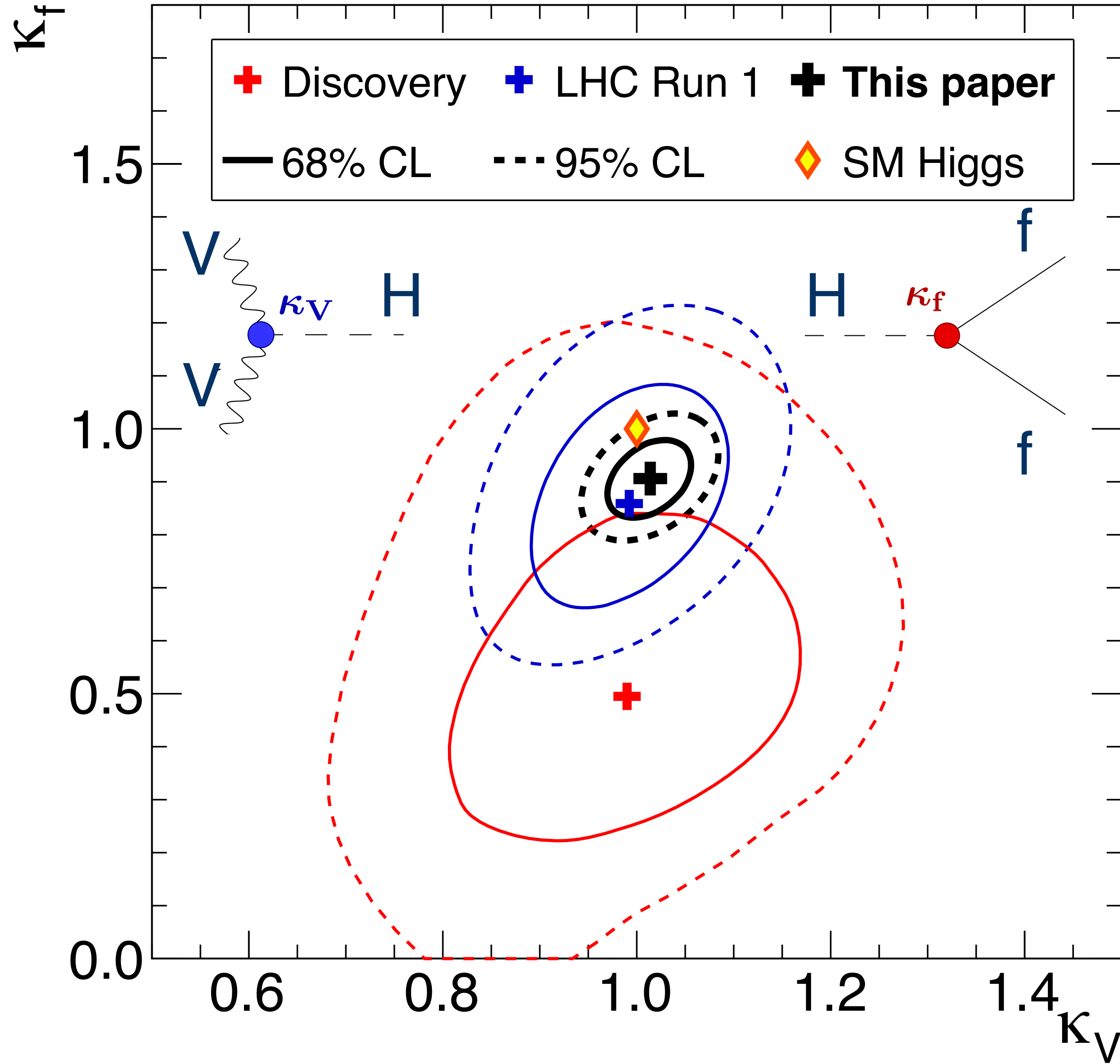
# Prod×decay ATLAS vs. CMS





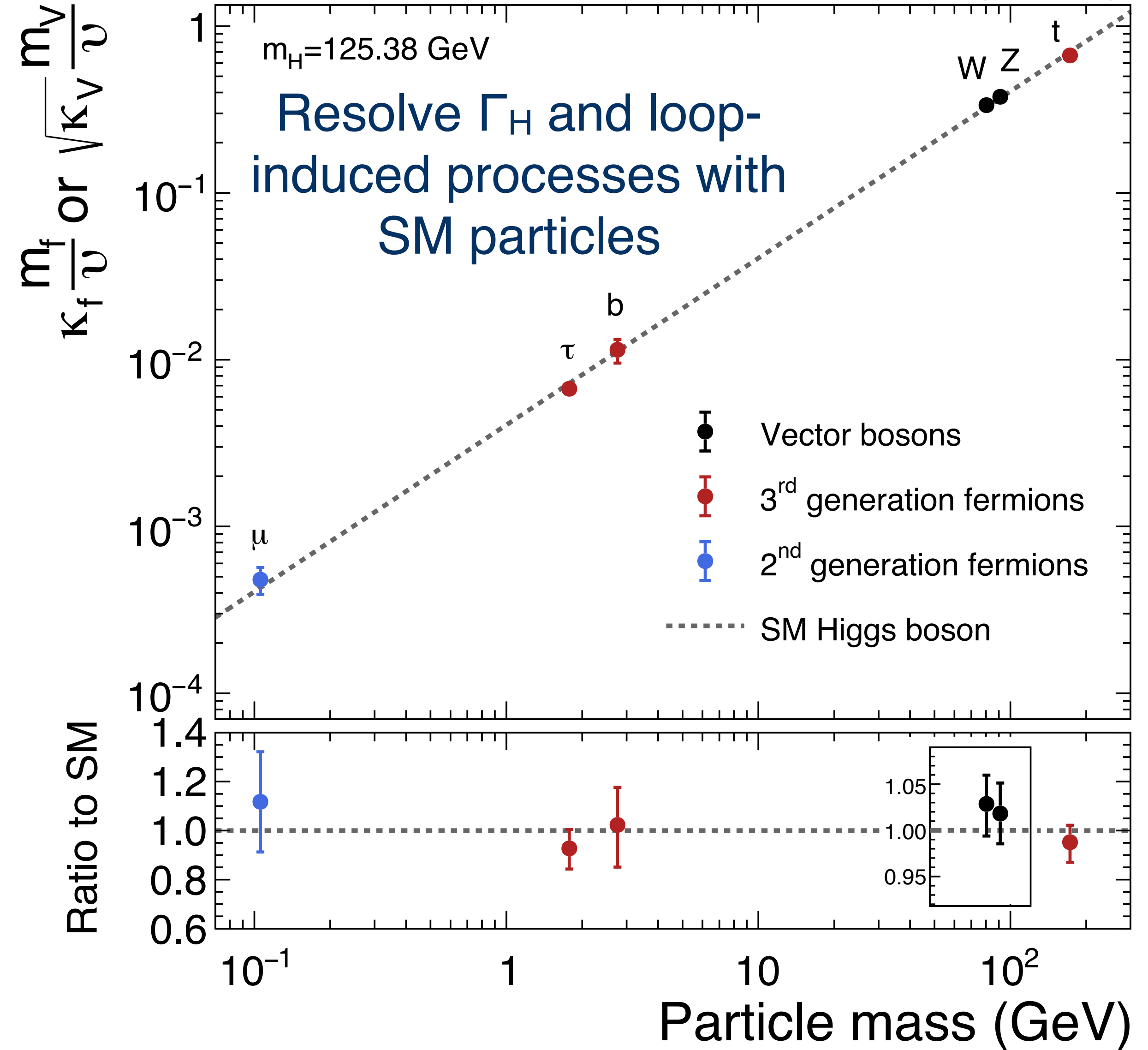
# Coupling strength tests

## CMS

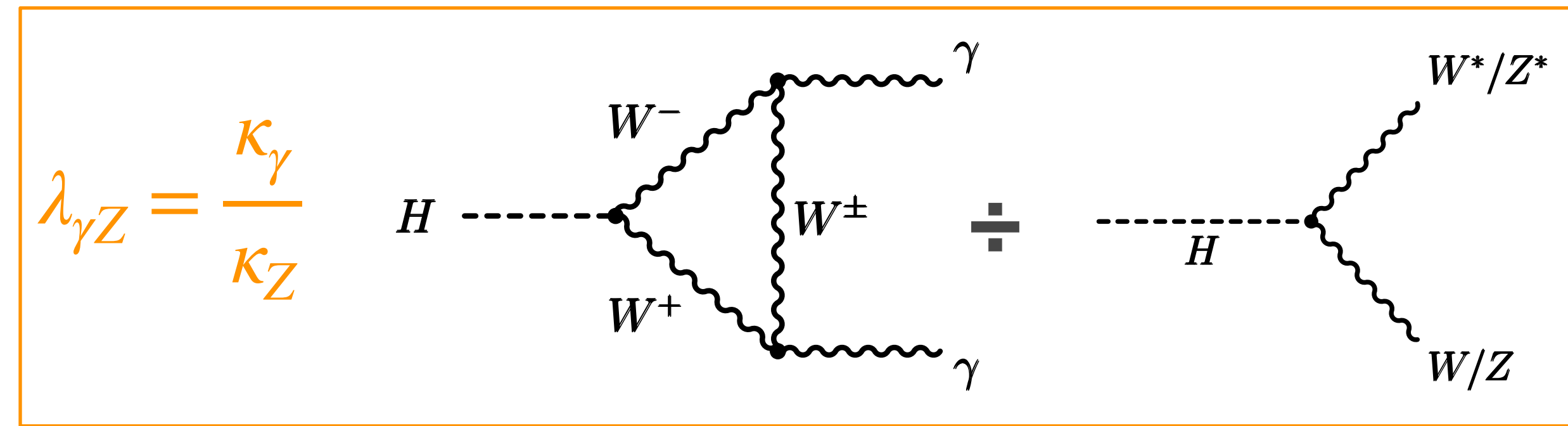
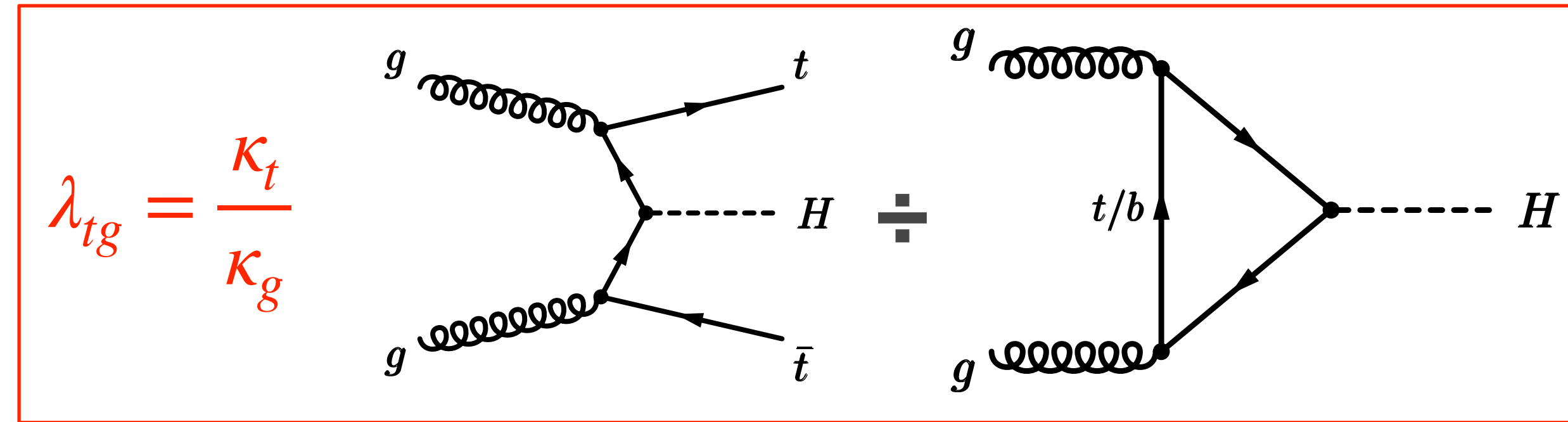
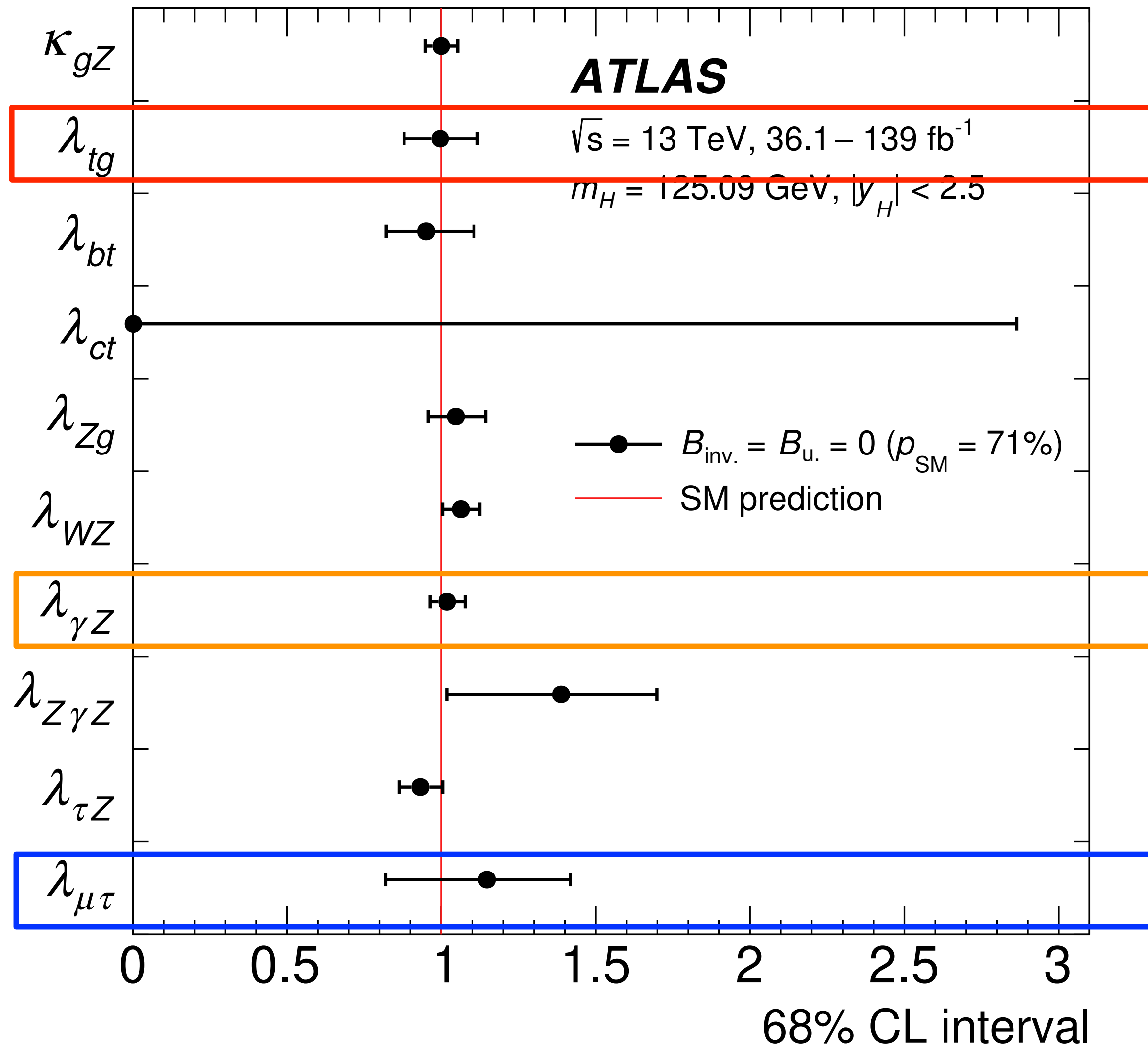


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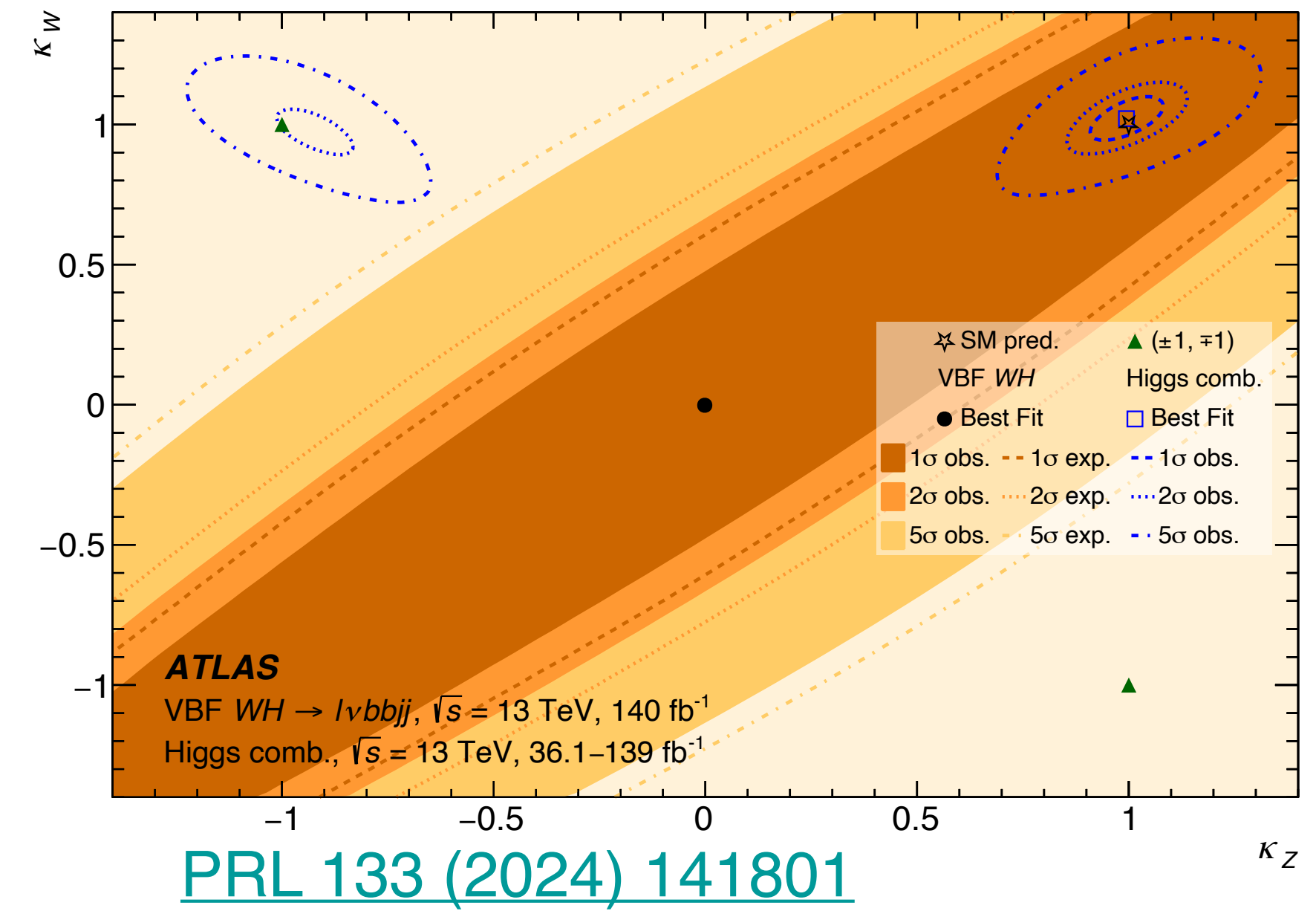
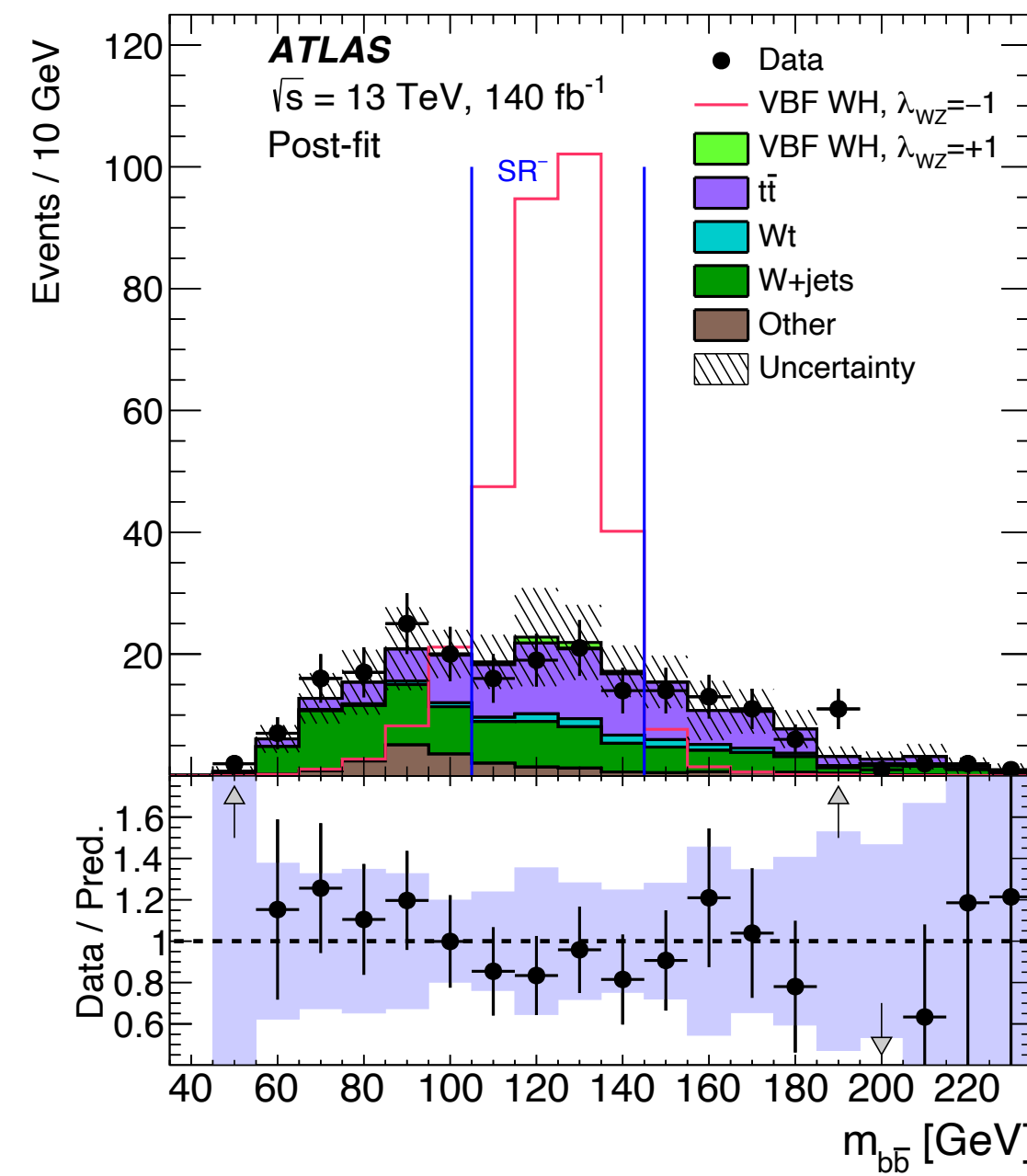
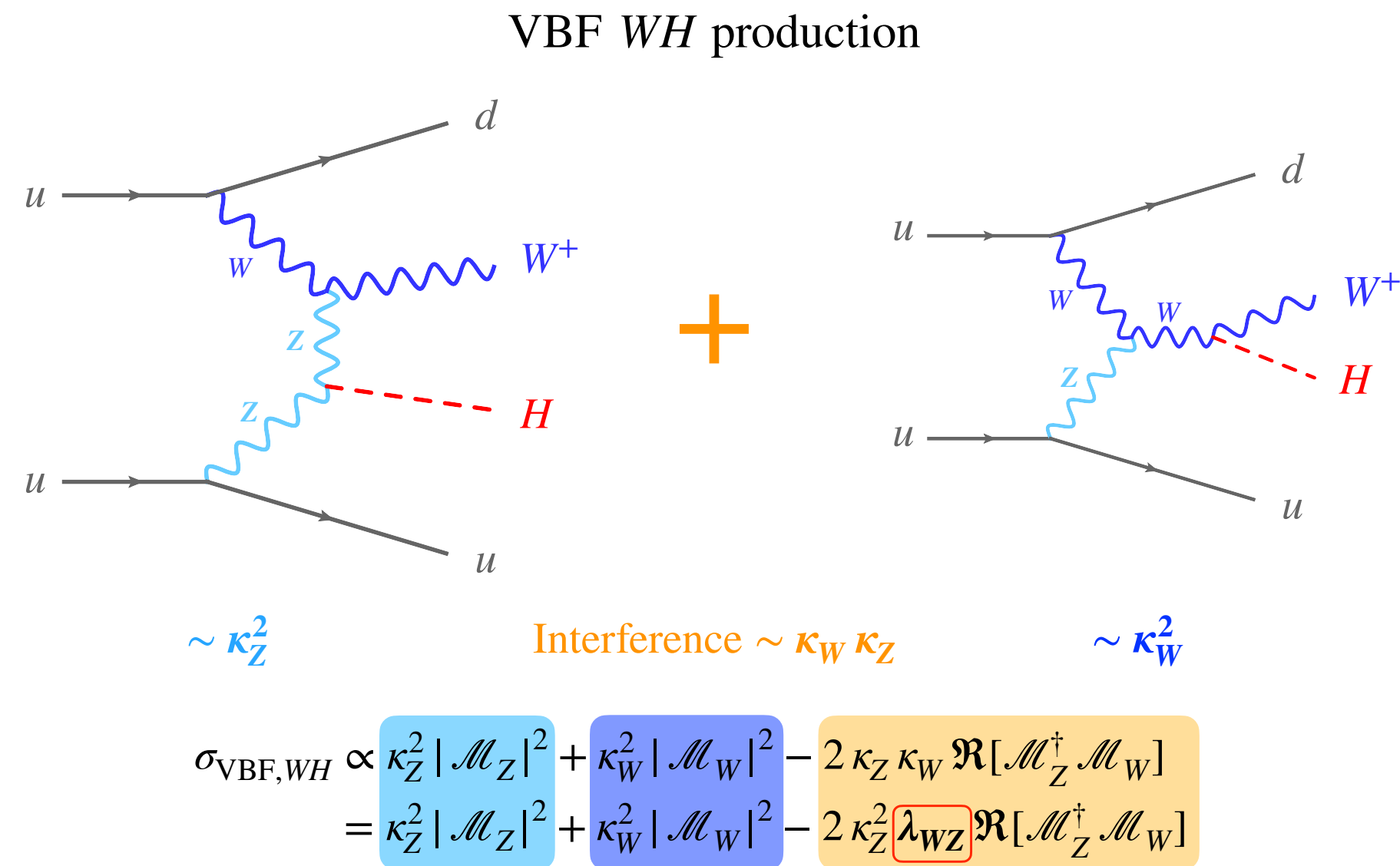


# Ratios of coupling strengths



- LHC experiments cannot directly constrain Higgs boson total width. **Ratios are what we could measure best @LHC!**
- Explore new physics in **ggF/H → γγ** loops, and **3rd vs. 2nd generation Yukawa couplings**

# Determine relative sign between $\kappa_W$ and $\kappa_Z$



- $\lambda_{WZ} = \kappa_W/\kappa_Z$  is an important validation for **custodial symmetry**
- For the first time, **the sign of  $\lambda_{WZ}$**  is determined to be **consistent with SM** with  $WH \rightarrow l\nu b\bar{b}$  counting analysis in VBF topology
- Negative sign of  $\lambda_{WZ}$  excluded by  **$>8\sigma$**