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Mass, width and CP- measurements - ATLAS

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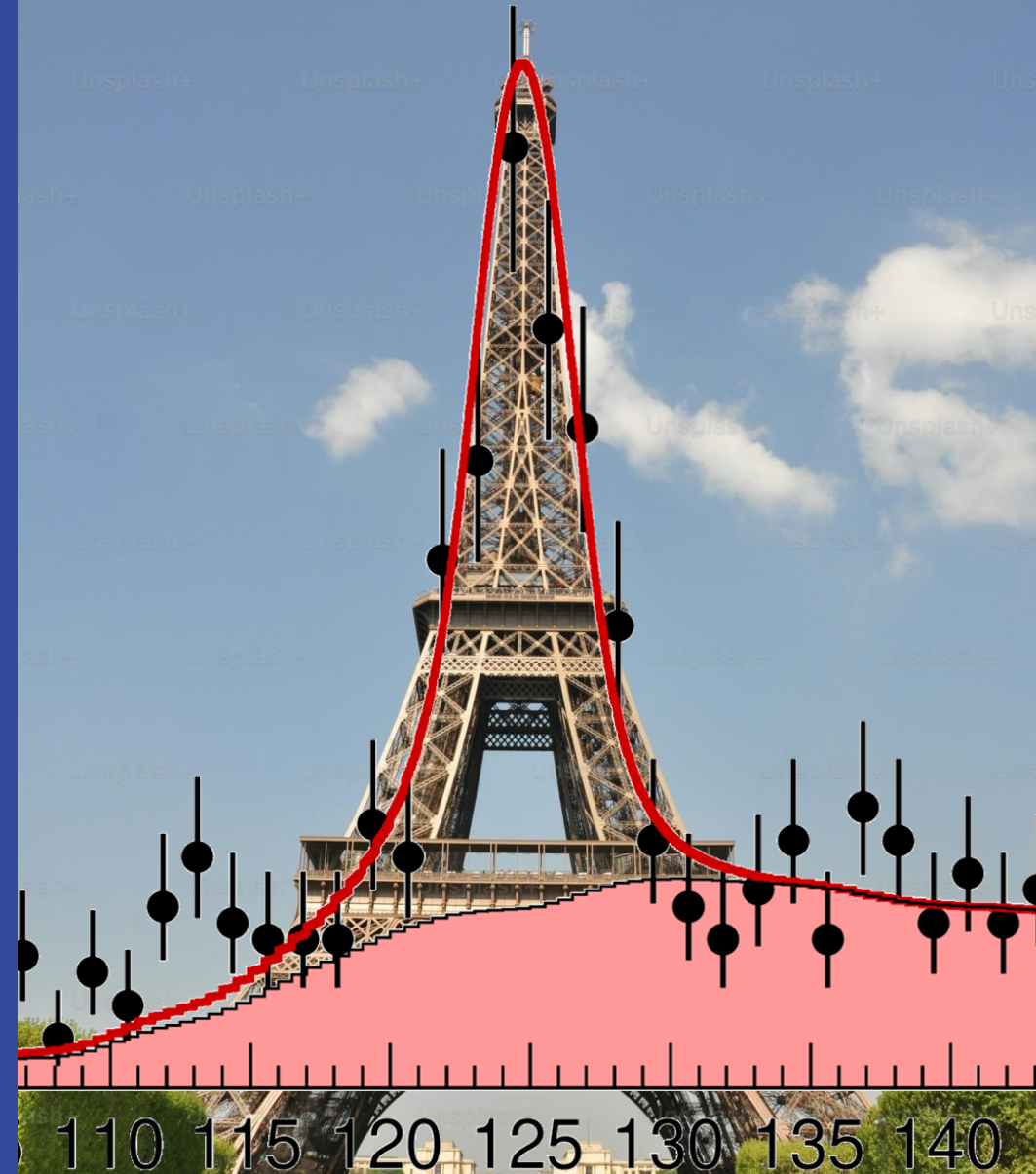
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Higgs Hunting 2024

Orsay Paris, 23 September 2024

$$H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}, 139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$



Is the *Higgs boson* the Standard Model (SM) Higgs boson?

Need to test Higgs boson properties!

- Mass \rightarrow Input parameter in SM \rightarrow Determines production cross section and branching ratio
- Width \rightarrow SM: ~ 4 MeV for $m_H = 125$ GeV
- Charge-conjugation-Parity (CP) \rightarrow SM: 0^+



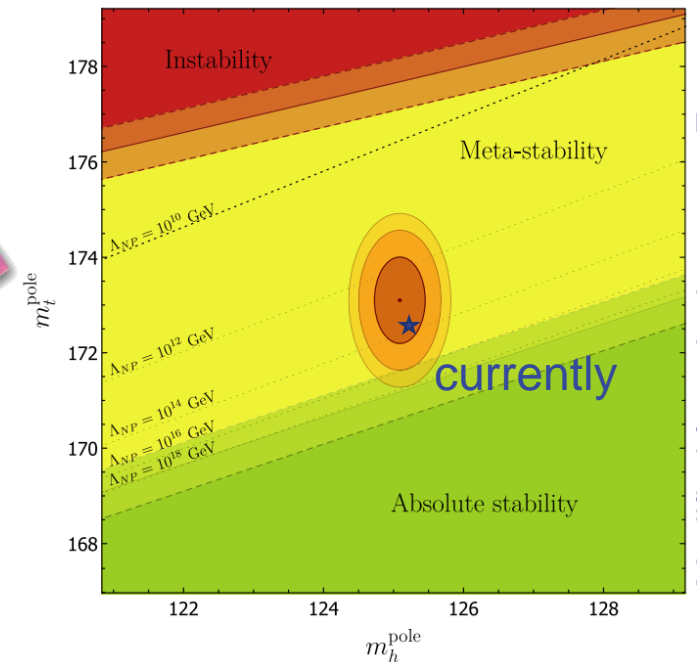
\rightarrow Why are these relevant?

- Mass \rightarrow Stable electro-weak (EW) vacuum?
- Width \rightarrow Coupling of Higgs boson also to other, **invisible** particles?
- CP \rightarrow Another source of CP-violation to explain abundance of matter vs. anti-matter?

\rightarrow Currently (PDG):

$$m_H = (125.20 \pm 0.11) \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_t = (172.57 \pm 0.29) \text{ GeV}$$

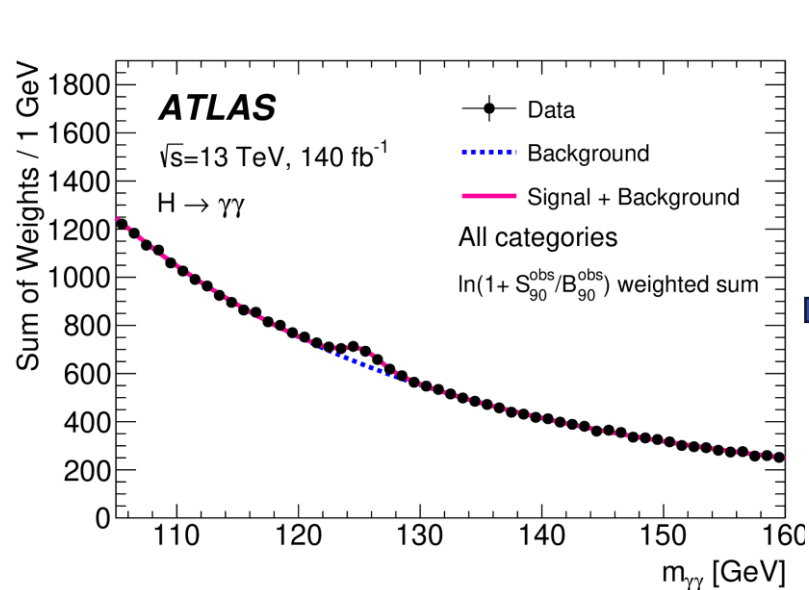


Modified from Andreassen, Frost, Schwartz, [PhysRev D 97 056006 \(2018\)](#)

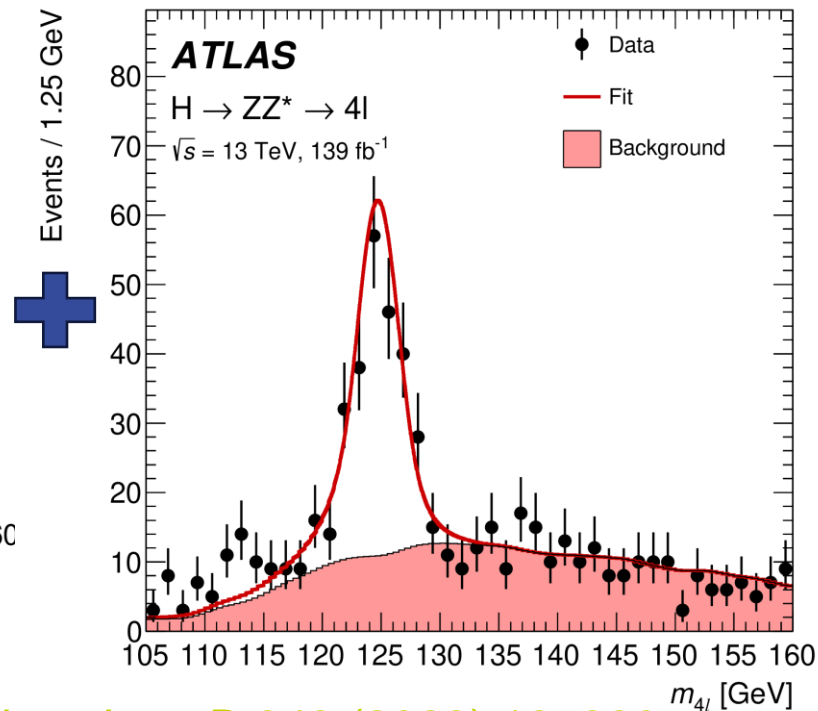
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Best suited: High resolution channels $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$

- Provide reconstructed Higgs mass peak, good mass resolution
- Good control of the lepton and photon energy scales by calibration via $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$ and J/ψ and Υ signals

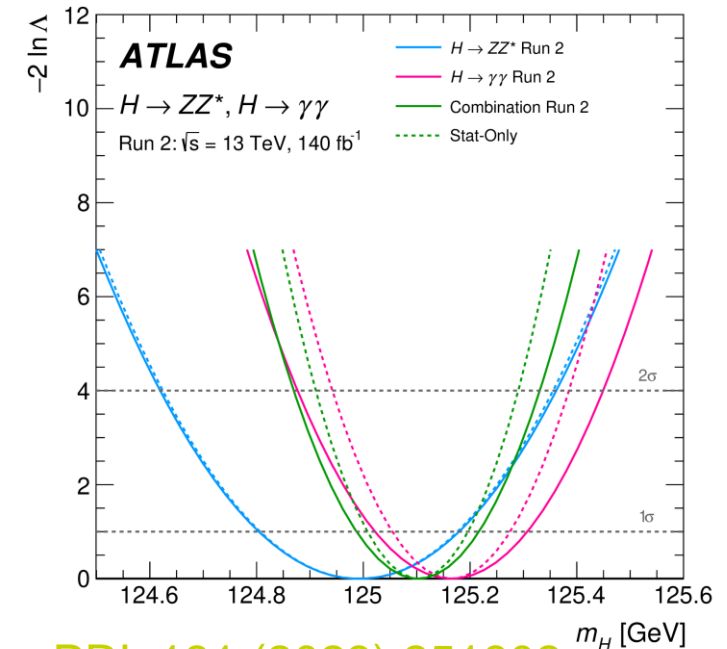


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Combination via profile likelihood ratio Λ

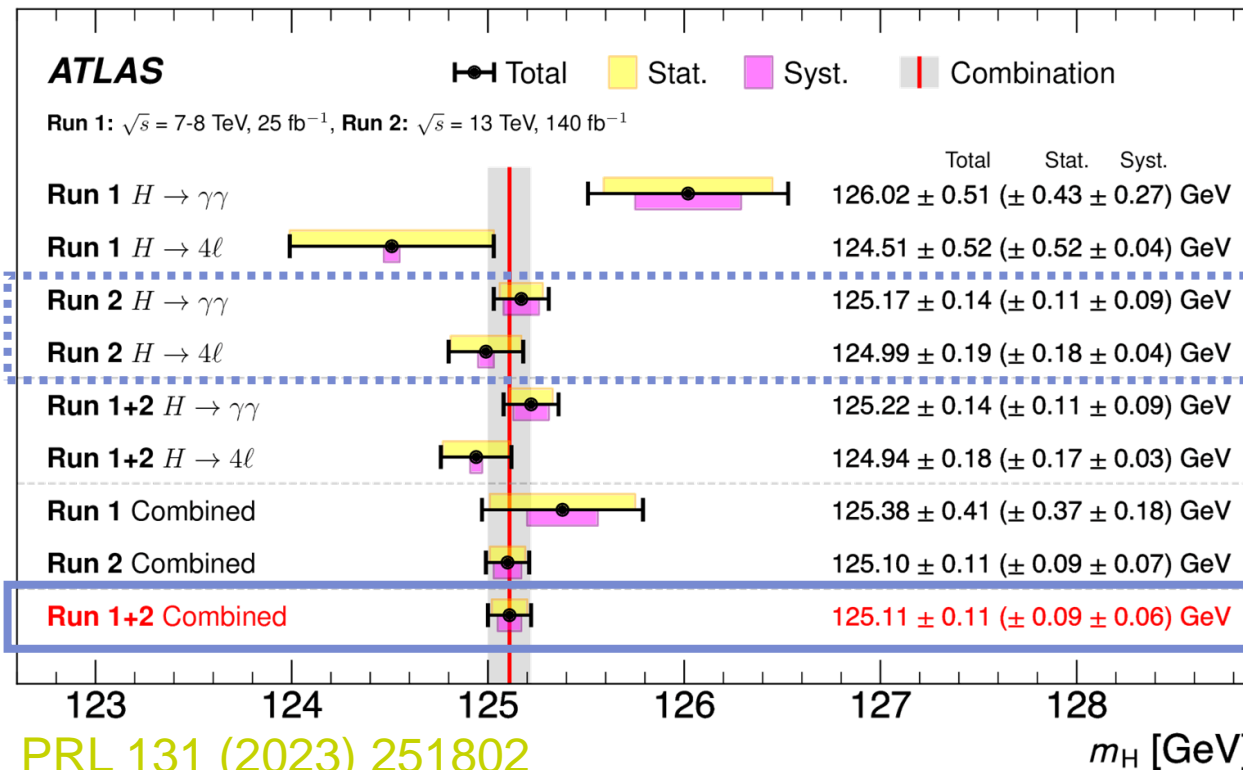


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Measurement of the Higgs boson mass

Combination of $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ with Run 2 data

- Correlations between uncertainties of $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ accounted for in profile likelihood
- Also combine with Run 1 data

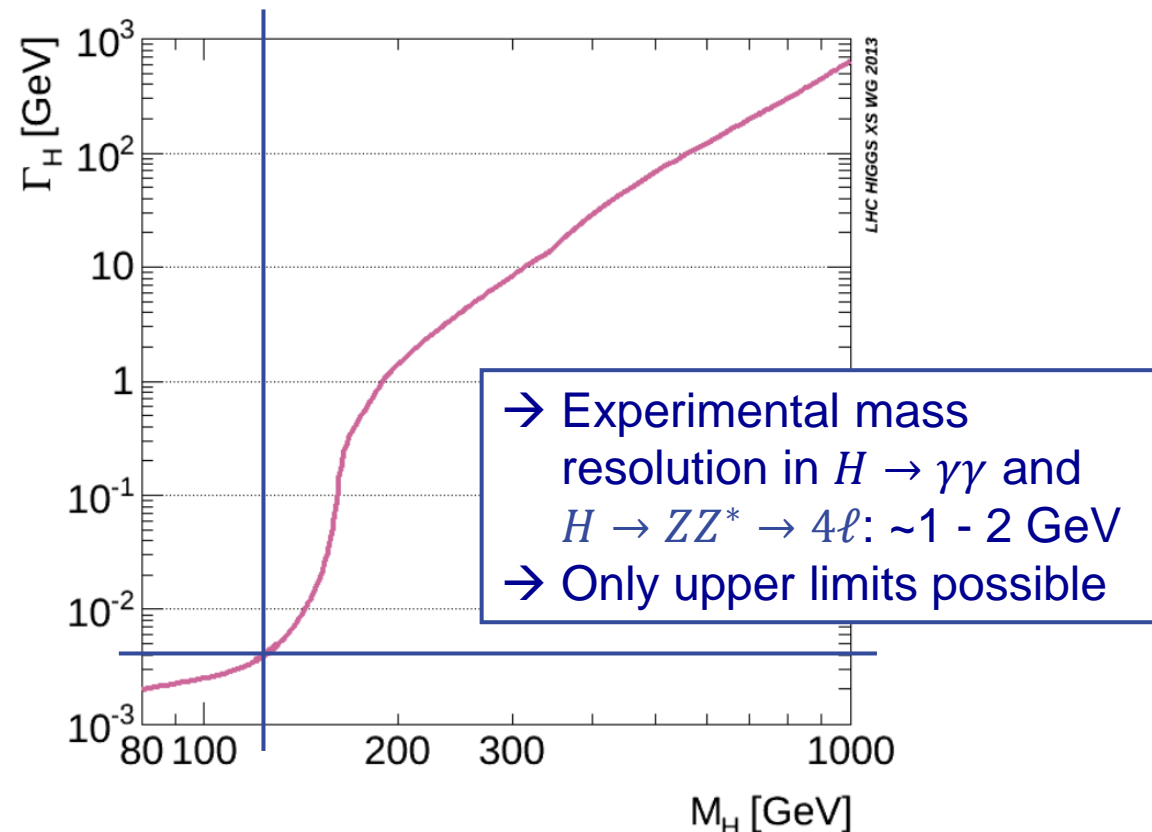


- In the long term: $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ likely dominant, due to smaller systematic uncertainty
- However: Impressive that $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ still most precise → Major effort to reduce systematic uncertainties
- Precision of 0.09% on m_H !

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Very small Higgs boson width Γ expected in SM

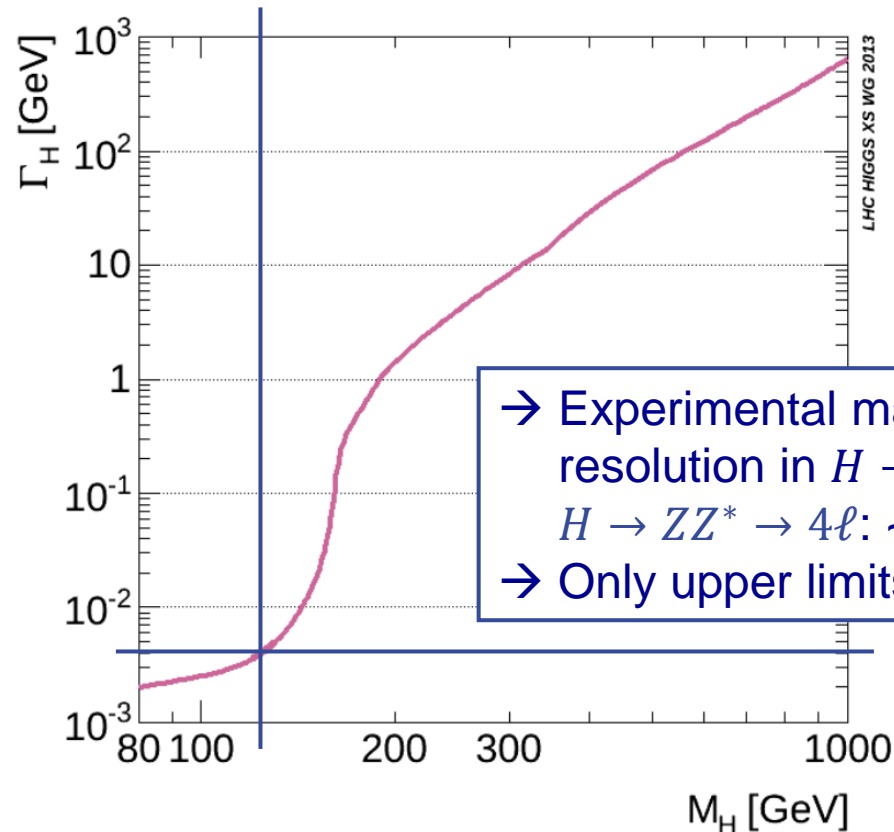
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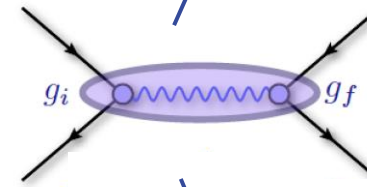


→ Experimental mass resolution in $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$: $\sim 1 - 2$ GeV
 → Only upper limits possible

Indirect constraint from “off-shell” to “on-shell” cross section ratio:

On-shell

$$\frac{1}{(s - M_X^2) + i\Gamma_X M_X} \rightarrow \sigma_{i \rightarrow X \rightarrow f}^{on} \sim \frac{g_i^2 g_f^2}{\Gamma_X}$$



→ Assume Higgs couplings identical for on- vs. off-shell

$$\frac{1}{(s - M_X^2) + i\Gamma_X M_X} \rightarrow \sigma_{i \rightarrow X \rightarrow f}^{off} \sim g_i^2 g_f^2$$

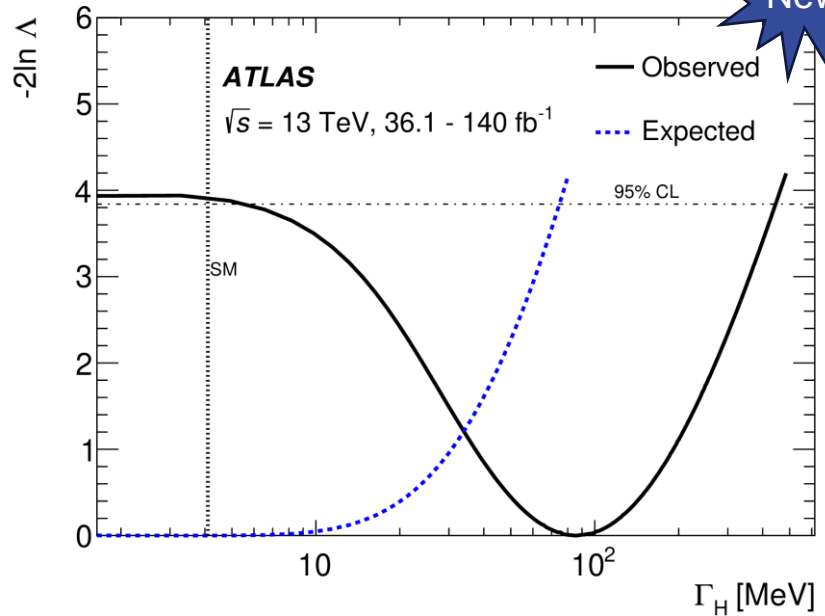
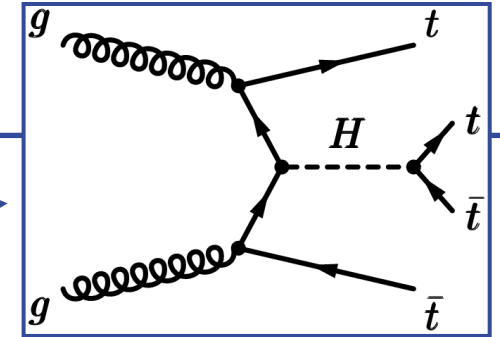
Off-shell

$$\frac{\sigma_{i \rightarrow X \rightarrow f}^{off}}{\sigma_{i \rightarrow X \rightarrow f}^{on}} \sim \Gamma_X$$

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Off-shell Higgs production through 4 top-quarks

- Compare to different on-shell production and decay modes
- Extract Γ_H in a profile likelihood fit to multivariate classifiers and invariant masses

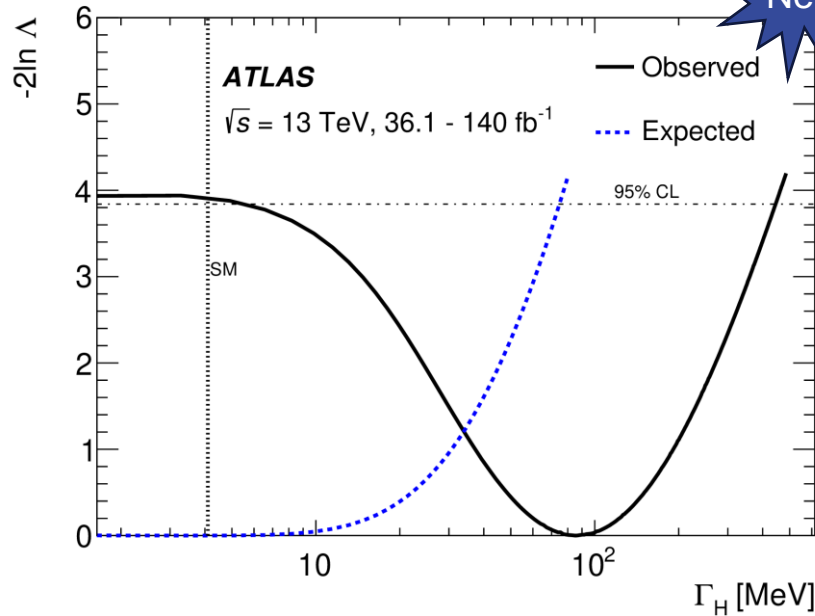
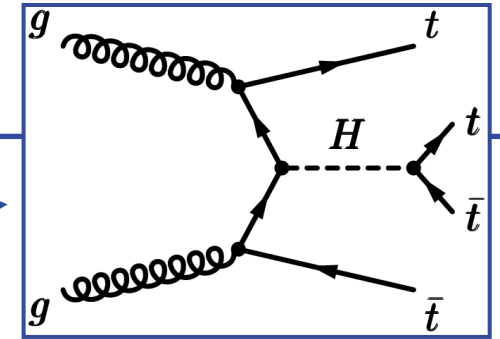


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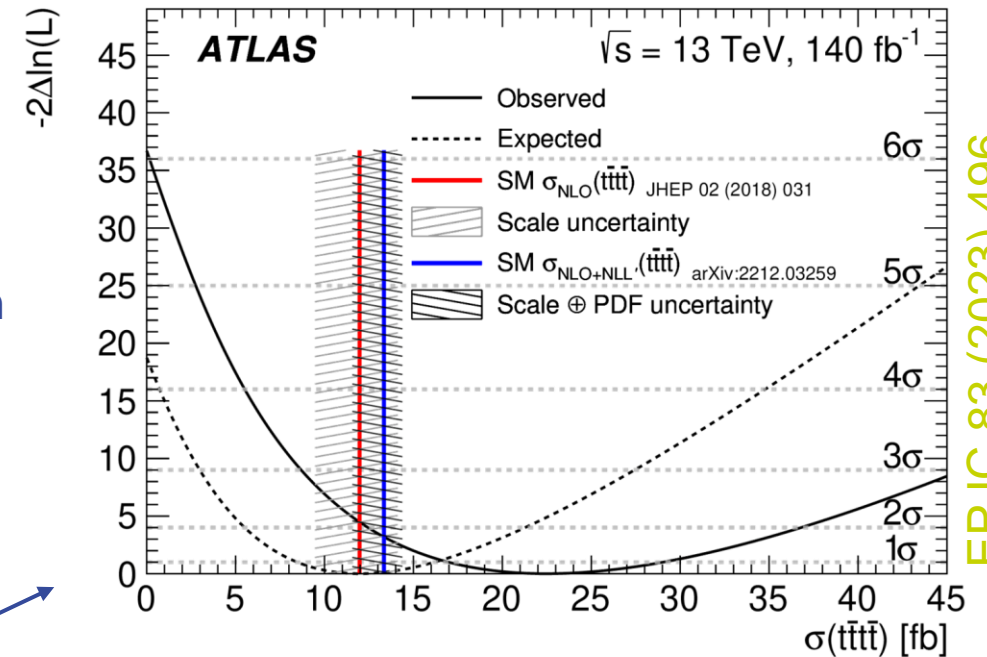


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→ Reason:
Higher measured $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ cross section than predicted

→ Agreement slightly improved with additional NLL corrections

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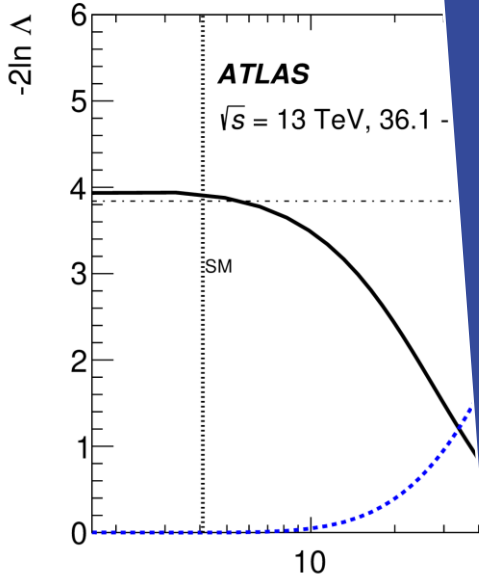
→ Improve by factor of ~2 if no beyond-SM (BSM) contributions assumed in loop-induced on-shell couplings: gluon-gluon-fusion, $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$

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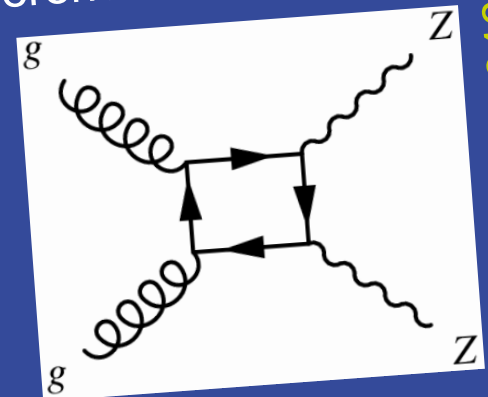
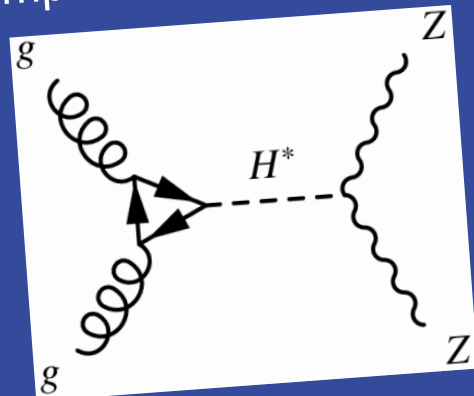
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Off-shell Higgs production through $gg \rightarrow H^* \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$

- Compare to different production and decay channels
- Extract Γ_H in a profile likelihood fit and invariant mass



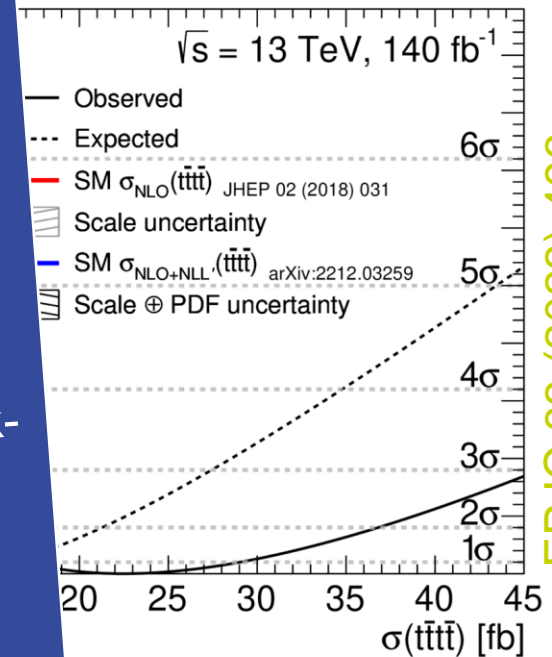
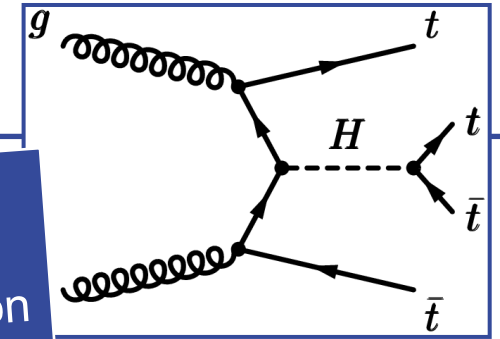
→ Again assuming no BSM contributions in loop-induced couplings: Can also use $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ and $2\ell 2\nu$ process
 → Complication: Negative interference for off-shell production



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→ Signal for off-shell production: Less events than with background only → Evidence for off-shell production seen
 → Fitting signal strengths $\mu: \frac{\mu_{off-shell}}{\mu_{on-shell}} = \frac{\Gamma_H}{\Gamma_H^{SM}}$

→ $\Gamma_H = 86_{-49}^{+100}$ MeV → 2σ
 → $\Gamma_H = 4.5_{-2.5}^{+3.0}$ MeV! → In good agreement with SM!



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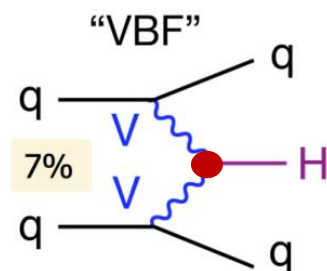
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What about CP-violation?

Invariance of Higgs couplings to vector bosons/fermions under CP-transformation?

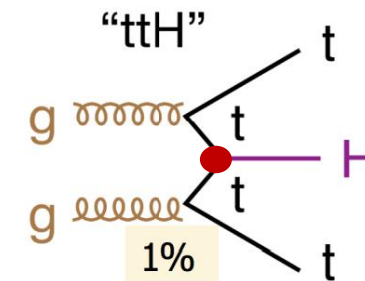
- Higgs boson spin (J), parity (P) and charge-conjugation (C) measured as: $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$
 - Based on assumption of C- and CP-parity conservation in Higgs boson interactions
- Are these assumptions correct? → Search for CP-violation (CPV) in production or decay of the Higgs boson
 - CPV = admixture of CP-odd (pseudoscalar) terms in addition CP-even (scalar) SM Higgs boson
 - Probe different couplings:

VVH coupling



→ Accessible in vector-boson-fusion (VBF) production

ttH coupling



→ Accessible in $t\bar{t}H$ production

What about CP-violation? @ ttH vertex

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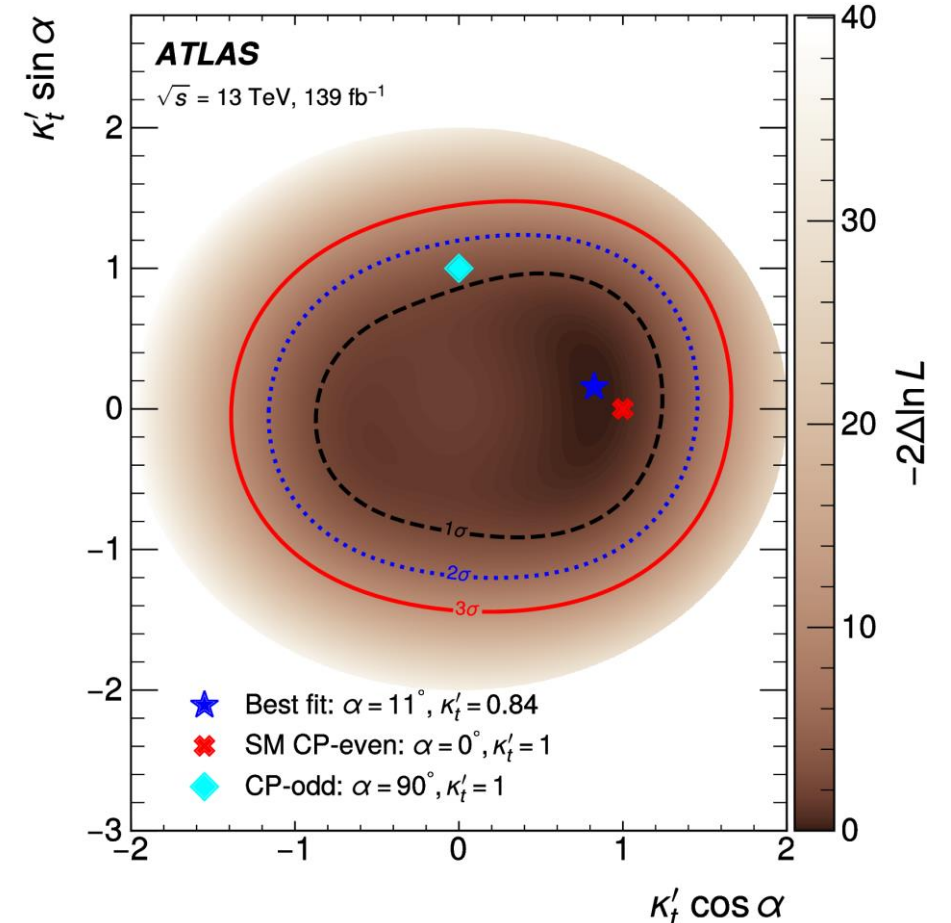
- Add CP-odd admixture to top-quark Yukawa coupling

$$\mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}H} = -\kappa'_t y_t \phi \bar{\psi}_t (\cos \alpha + i\gamma_5 \sin \alpha) \psi_t$$

Higgs field
Top-quark spinor

Coupling modifier
Yukawa coupling
CP-mixing angle

- SM: $\alpha = 0, \kappa'_t = 1$ (at tree level)
→ Higher order corrections push κ'_t below 1
- Extract α and κ'_t from a simultaneous fit to several regions
 - Defined based on jet multiplicity, b -tagging, and 1 or 2 light leptons (e, μ) – signal and control regions
 - Using multivariate analysis techniques (MVAs) for signal enhancement, and yields or CP-sensitive observables in fit



→ Compatible with SM → In line with earlier measurement using $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

What about CP-violation? @ VVH vertex

Use SM-Effective Field Theory (SMEFT)

- Build higher-dimensional Lagrangian terms from SM fields

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← Wilson coefficient
← Dimension-6 operator
← EFT energy cutoff scale

- Warsaw basis: Use fields of unbroken gauge symmetry
- For VBF $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$
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Operator	Structure	Coupling
Warsaw Basis		
$O_{\Phi\tilde{W}}$	$\Phi^\dagger \Phi \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^I W^{\mu\nu I}$	$c_{H\tilde{W}}$
$O_{\Phi\tilde{W}B}$	$\Phi^\dagger \tau^I \Phi \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$	$c_{H\tilde{W}B}$
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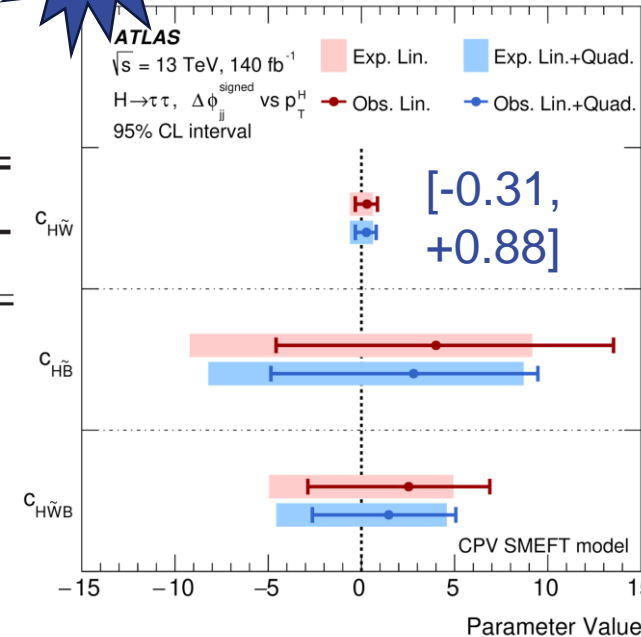
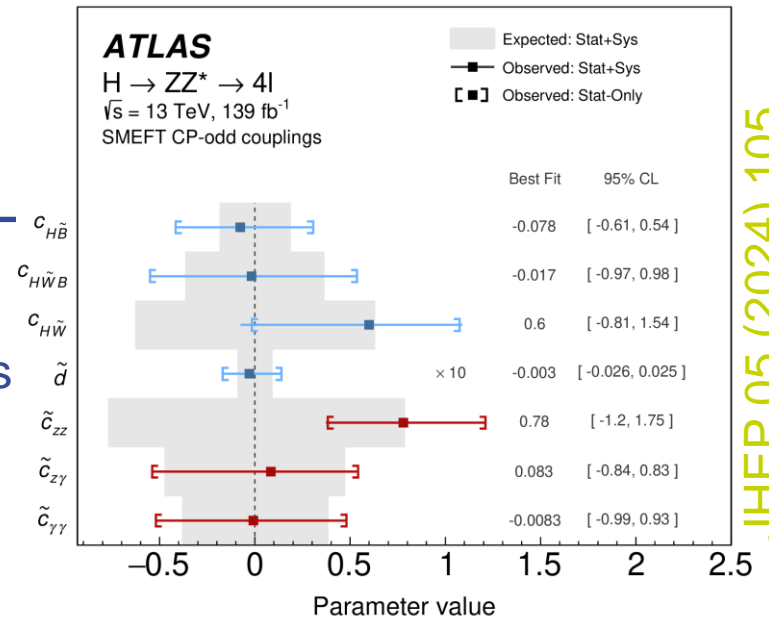
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	95% (obs.)
$c_{H\tilde{W}}$ (inter. only)	[-0.53, 1.02]

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Only small sensitivity to $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$ terms



→ Constraints on $c_{H\tilde{W}}$ strongest to date from any channel

→ No significant CP-odd component observed

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→ Should we give up? → NO!

- More data from LHC and future machines: HL-LHC and e^+e^- needed
 - Fully map the Higgs potential → Understand stability of the electroweak vacuum
 - Model independent determination of Higgs boson width
 - CP-violation? → Let's not leave any stone unturned



→ Nature is holding onto her secrets and building up the suspense
→ More human ingenuity needed to access them 😊

Thank you for your attention

Backup

Measurement of the Higgs boson mass

Systematic uncertainties for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ Run 2 measurements

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Source	Impact [MeV]
Photon energy scale	83
$Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ calibration	59
E_T -dependent electron energy scale	44
$e^\pm \rightarrow \gamma$ extrapolation	30
Conversion modelling	24
Signal-background interference	26
Resolution	15
Background model	14
Selection of the diphoton production vertex	5
Signal model	1
Total	90

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$H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$

Largest contributing uncertainties:

Systematic Uncertainty	Contribution [MeV]
Muon momentum scale	± 28
Electron energy scale	± 19
Signal-process theory	± 14

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Run 2 Combination

Source	Systematic uncertainty on m_H [MeV]
e/γ E_T -independent $Z \rightarrow ee$ calibration	44
e/γ E_T -dependent electron energy scale	28
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ interference bias	17
e/γ photon lateral shower shape	16
e/γ photon conversion reconstruction	15
e/γ energy resolution	11
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ background modelling	10
Muon momentum scale	8
All other systematic uncertainties	7

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Systematic uncertainties for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ in comparison to previous measurement

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ Full Run 2

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ Partial Run 2

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Source	Systematic uncertainty on $m_H^{\gamma\gamma}$ [MeV]
EM calorimeter cell non-linearity	± 180
EM calorimeter layer calibration	± 170
Non-ID material	± 120
ID material	± 110
Lateral shower shape	± 110
$Z \rightarrow ee$ calibration	± 80
Conversion reconstruction	± 50
Background model	± 50
Selection of the diphoton production vertex	± 40
Resolution	± 20
Signal model	± 20

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Details on improved electron and photon energy calibration in Run 2: [JINST 19 \(2024\) P02009](#)

[Phys. Lett. B 784 \(2018\) 345](#)

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For full Run 2

- New auxiliary measurement (linearity fit) of the data-to-MC electron scale correction as function of electron E_T using the larger $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ sample from full Run 2
- More accurate description of material upstream of the EM calorimeter in the simulation, lower sensitivity of new clustering algorithm to effects of interactions with detector material
- More precise study of $e^\pm \rightarrow \gamma$ extrapolation in larger dataset

Determination of the Higgs boson width

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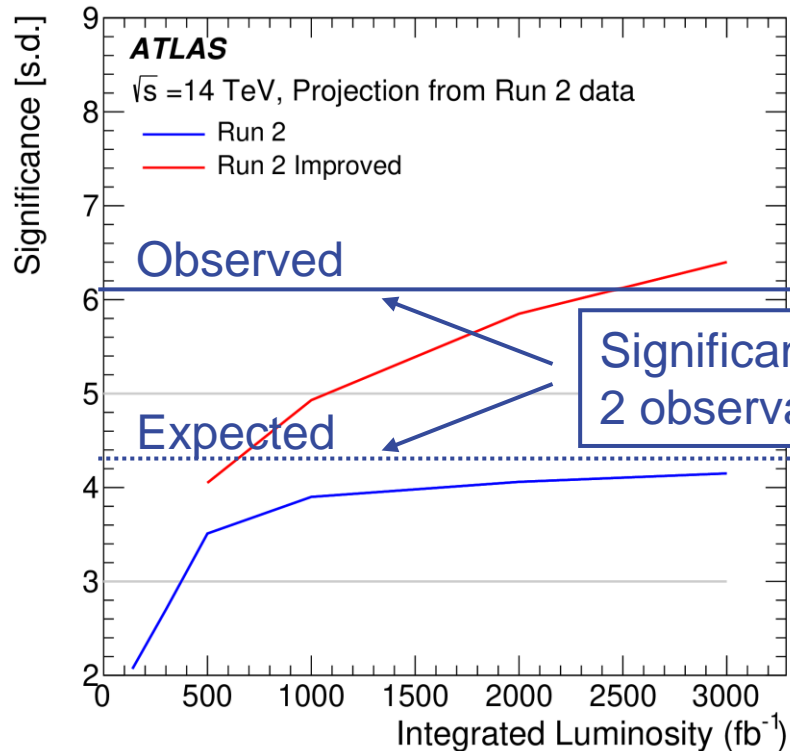
- Used off- and on-shell analyses

Target processes		Reference
Off-shell measurement		
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}\bar{t}$		[26]
On-shell measurement		
Production	Decay	
ggF, VBF, $WH, ZH, t\bar{t}H, tH$	$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	[31]
$t\bar{t}H + tH$	$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	[32]
WH, ZH	$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	[33, 34]
VBF	$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	[35]
ggF, VBF, $WH + ZH, t\bar{t}H + tH$	$H \rightarrow ZZ$	[36]
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ggF, VBF, $WH + ZH, t\bar{t}H + tH$	$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	[39]
ggF+ $t\bar{t}H + tH, VBF+ WH + ZH$	$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$	[40]
Inclusive	$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$	[41]

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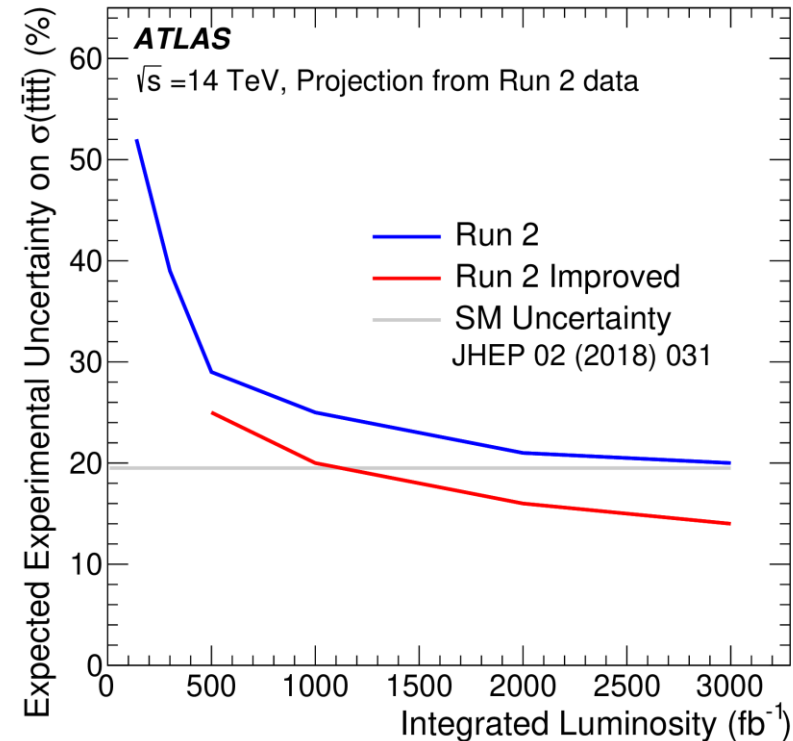
4-top production at the HL-LHC

- Extrapolation based on previous Run 2 4-top analysis – obtained evidence: [Eur. Phys. J. C 80 \(2020\) 1085](#)



Significances in Run 2 observation paper

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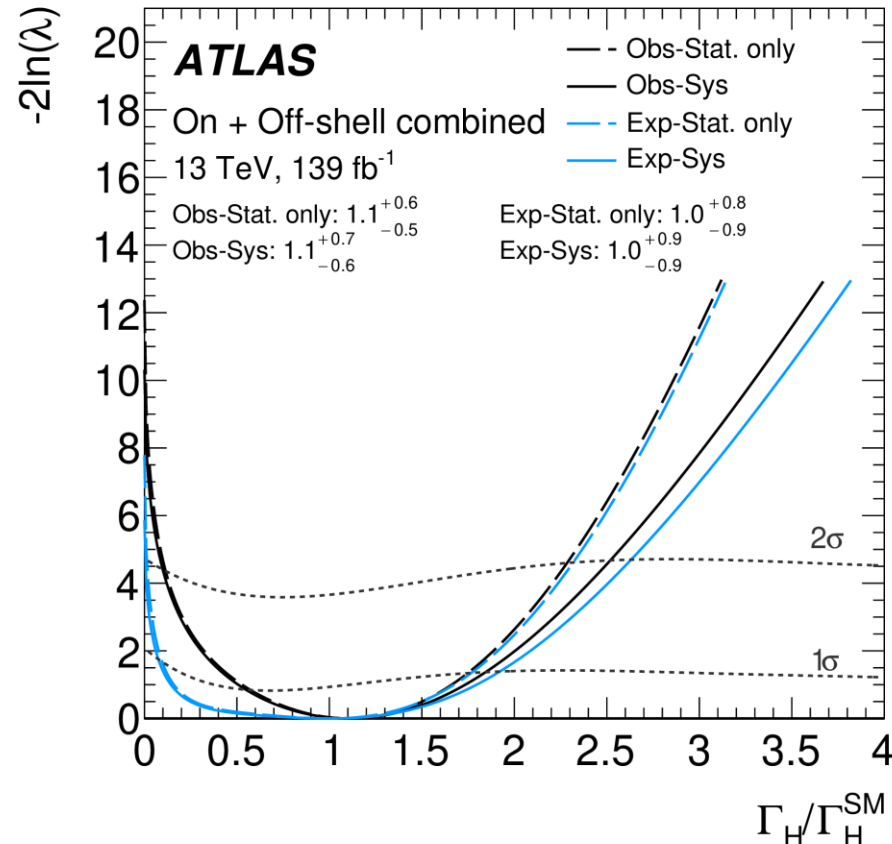
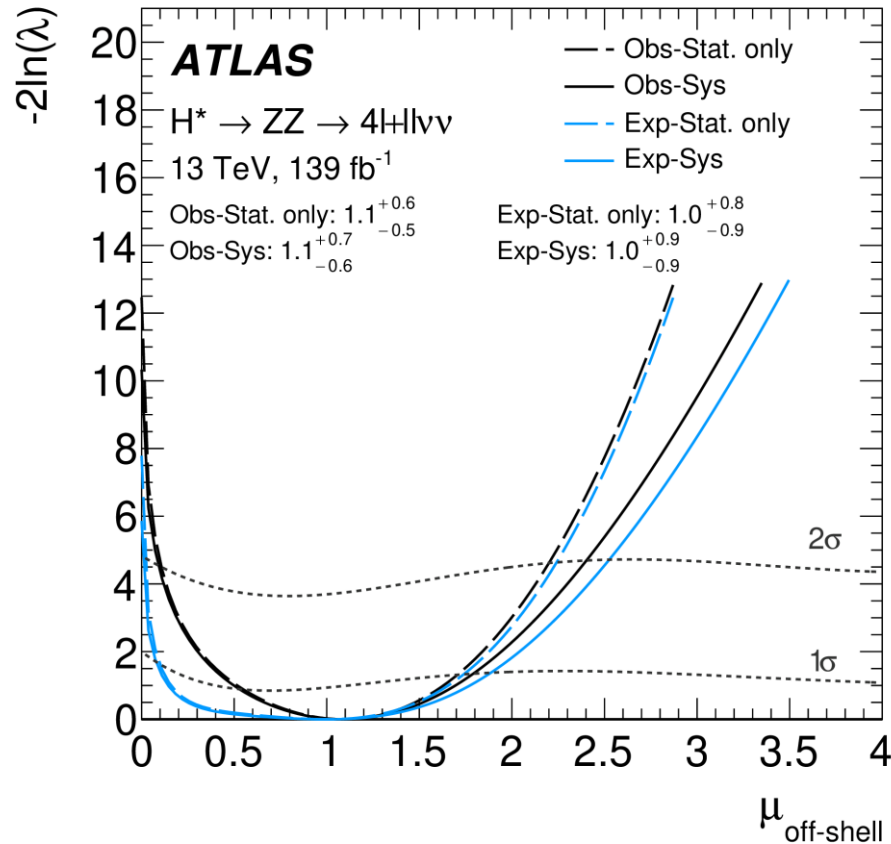
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→ Extrapolations already exceeded with updated Run 2 analysis

Determination of the Higgs boson width

Using $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell/2\ell 2\nu$

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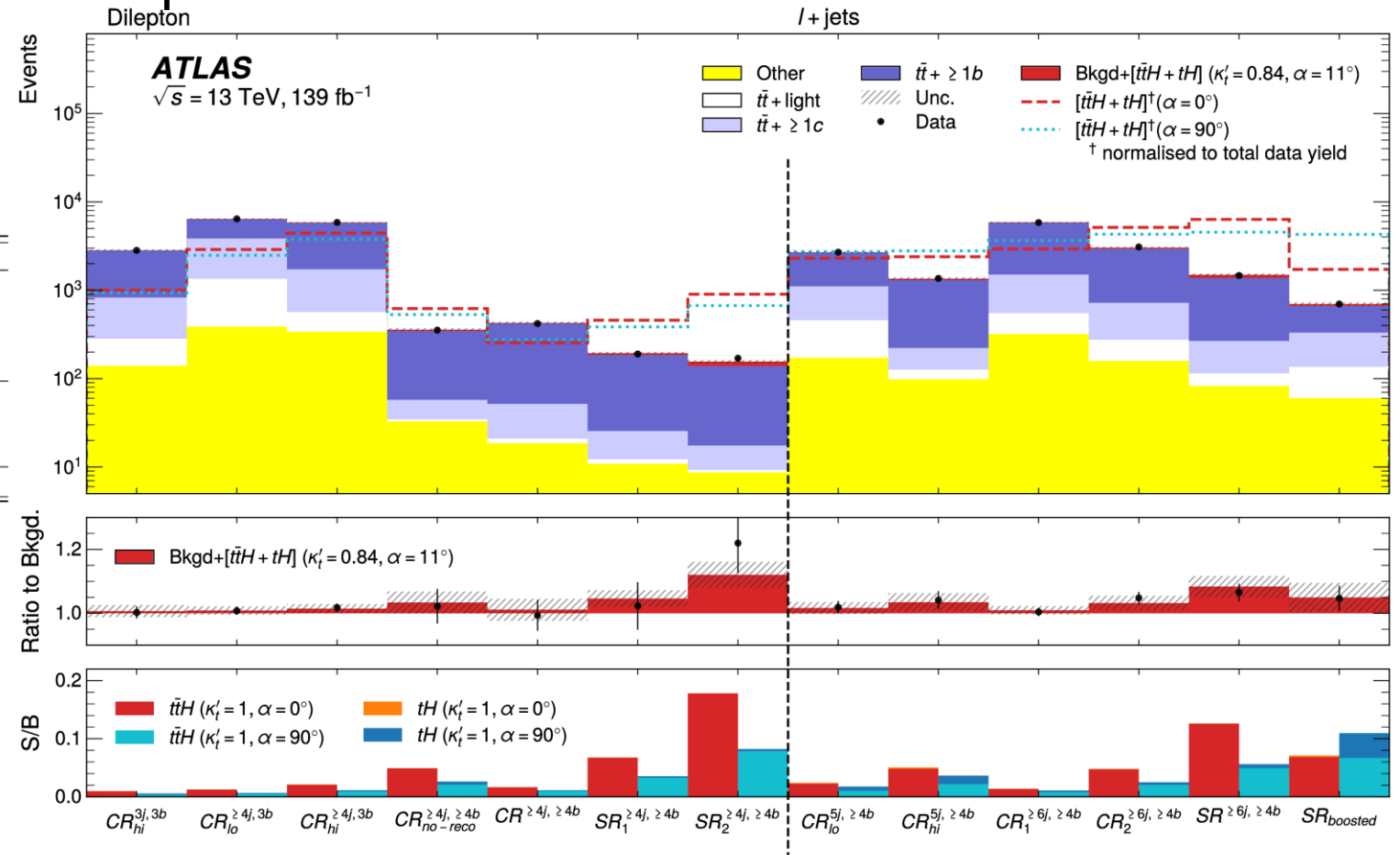
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CP-violation tested with $t\bar{t}H$ and tH production with $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

- Fit of signal regions (SRs) and control regions (CRs) with binned profile likelihood method

Channel (TR)	Final SRs and CRs	Classification BDT selection	Fitted observable
Dilepton (TR $^{\geq 4j, \geq 4b}$)	CR $_{no-reco}^{\geq 4j, \geq 4b}$	-	$\Delta\eta_{\ell\ell}$
	CR $^{\geq 4j, \geq 4b}$	BDT $^{\geq 4j, \geq 4b} \in [-1, -0.086]$	b_4
	SR $^{\geq 4j, \geq 4b}$	BDT $^{\geq 4j, \geq 4b} \in [-0.086, 0.186]$	b_4
	SR $_2^{\geq 4j, \geq 4b}$	BDT $^{\geq 4j, \geq 4b} \in [0.186, 1]$	b_4
ℓ +jets (TR $^{\geq 6j, \geq 4b}$)	CR $^{\geq 6j, \geq 4b}$	BDT $^{\geq 6j, \geq 4b} \in [-1, -0.128]$	b_2
	CR $_2^{\geq 6j, \geq 4b}$	BDT $^{\geq 6j, \geq 4b} \in [-0.128, 0.249]$	b_2
	SR $^{\geq 6j, \geq 4b}$	BDT $^{\geq 6j, \geq 4b} \in [0.249, 1]$	b_2
ℓ +jets (TR $_{boosted}$)	SR $_{boosted}$	BDT $_{boosted} \in [-0.05, 1]$	BDT $_{boosted}$

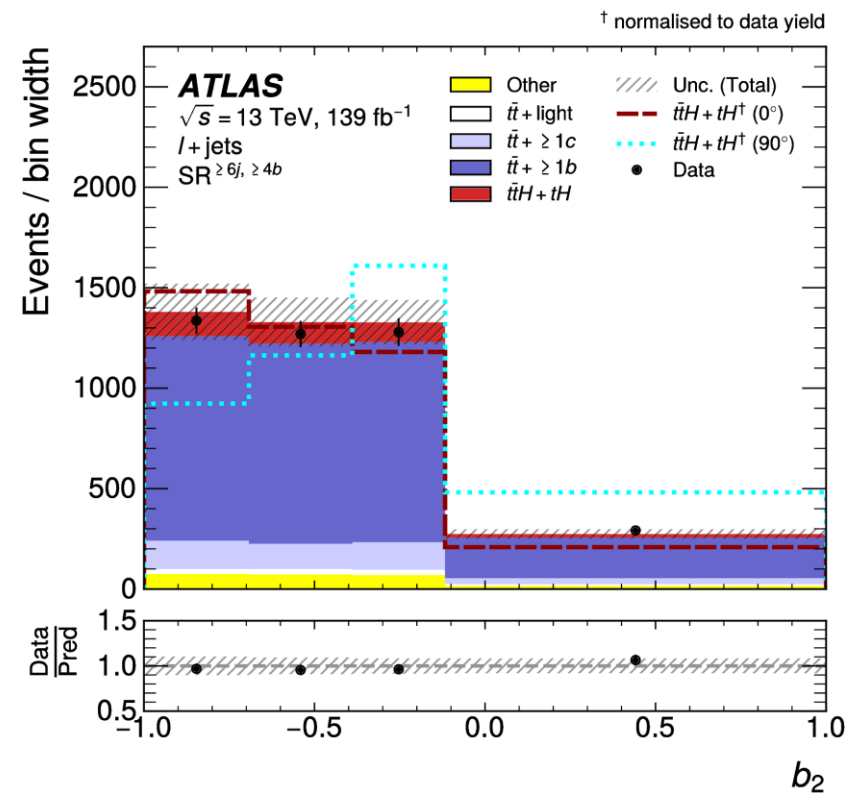
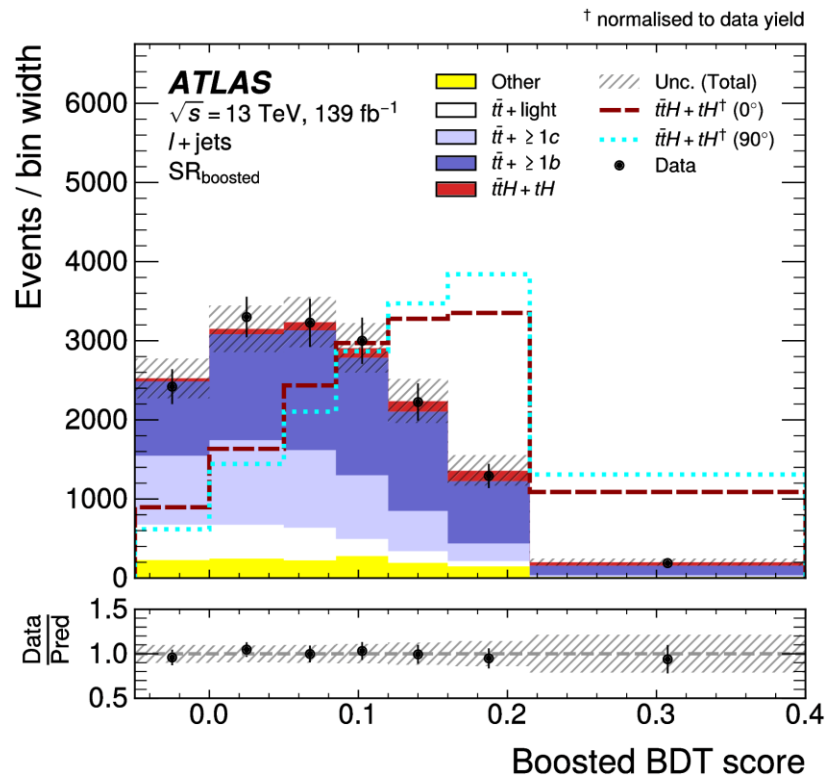


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- Examples for CP-sensitive observables



$$b_2 = \frac{(\vec{p}_1 \times \hat{z}) \cdot (\vec{p}_2 \times \hat{z})}{|\vec{p}_1| |\vec{p}_2|}$$

With \vec{p}_i with $i = 1, 2$
= momentum three-vector s of two top-quarks in the events

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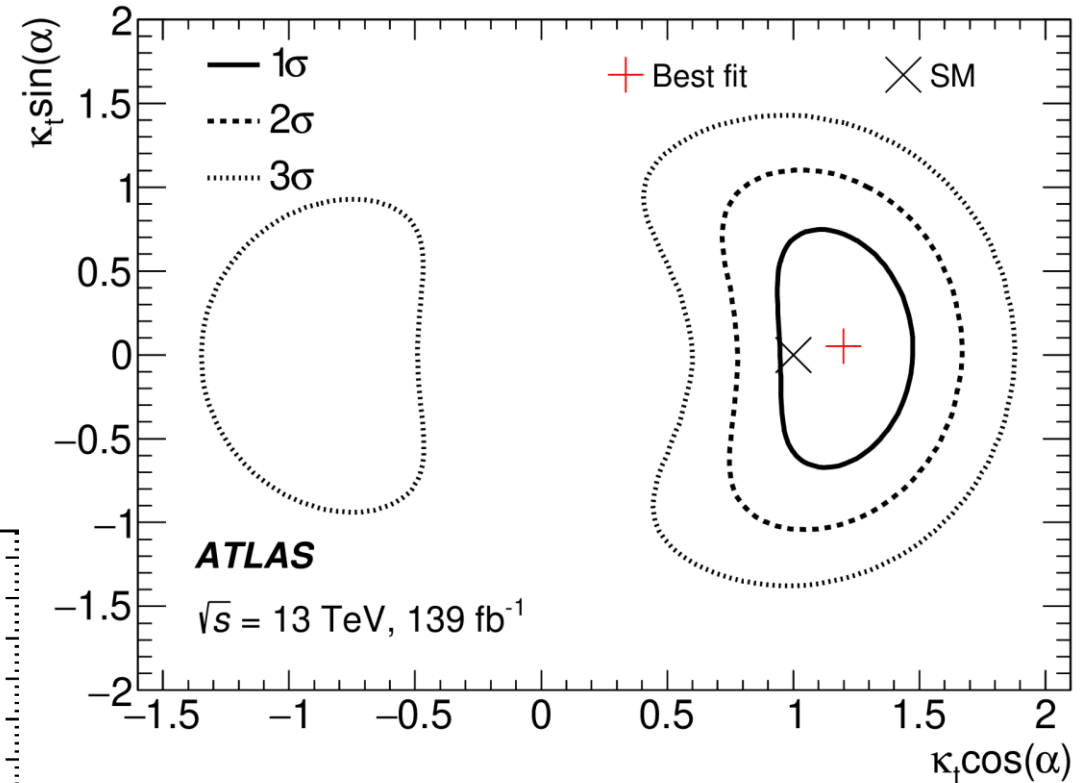
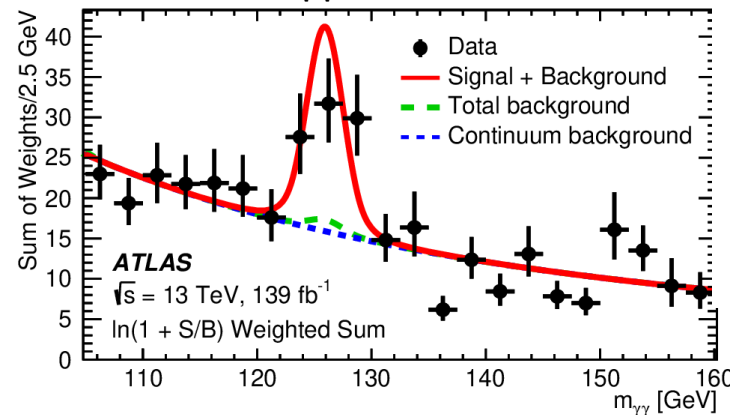
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- Impacts both, production and decay, through top-quark loop in $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decay
- Train BDT to separate CP-even and CP-odd couplings
- Simultaneous maximum-likelihood fit to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ in all regions

- Need to input couplings to photons (for branching ratio of $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$) and gluons (to subtract gluon-gluon-fusion contribution)

→ From Run 2 coupling combination (without $t\bar{t}H$ and tH)



→ $|\alpha| > 43^\circ$ excluded at 95% CL

What about CP-violation?

Higher order corrections for top-quark Yukawa coupling (from theory)

$\bar{\mu} = M_t$	y_t
LO	0.99425
NLO	0.94953
NNLO	0.93849

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What about CP-violation?

For VBF $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$

- Extract constraints with optimal observables (OOs)

$$OO = \frac{2\Re(\mathcal{M}_{SM}^* \mathcal{M}_{BSM})}{|\mathcal{M}_{SM}|^2}$$

- Intrinsically CP-odd \rightarrow Symmetric = CP-even Higgs, asymmetric = CP-odd admixture

\rightarrow If restricting to single BSM CP-odd Higgs coupling: \tilde{d} (assuming that different CP-violating contributions could not be distinguished experimentally)

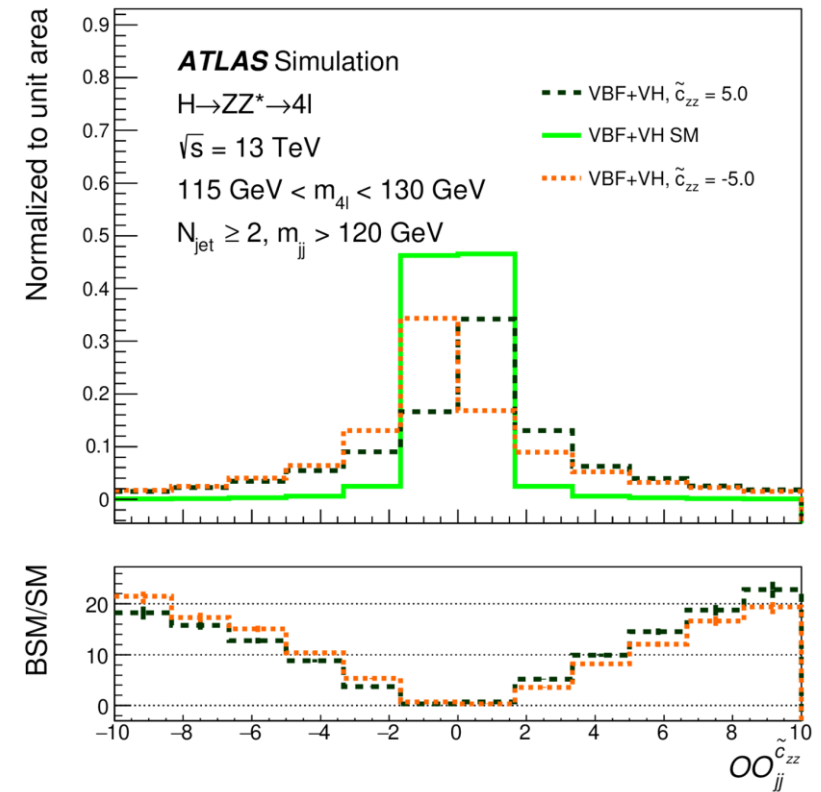
- In Warsaw basis: Set $c_{H\tilde{W}} = c_{H\tilde{B}} \rightarrow c_{H\tilde{W}B} = 0$
- Alternative basis:
 - Higgs basis: Use fields after EW symmetry breaking, i.e. physical states of SM gauge bosons: W^+ , W^- , Z , γ

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = \left| \mathcal{M}_{SM} + \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{M}_{BSM,i} \right|^2$$

$$= |\mathcal{M}_{SM}|^2 + 2 \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \Re(\mathcal{M}_{SM}^* \mathcal{M}_{BSM,i}) + \sum_i \sum_j \frac{c_i c_j}{\Lambda^4} \Re(\mathcal{M}_{BSM,i}^* \mathcal{M}_{BSM,j})$$

Linear term \rightarrow CP-odd

Quadratic term \rightarrow CP-even

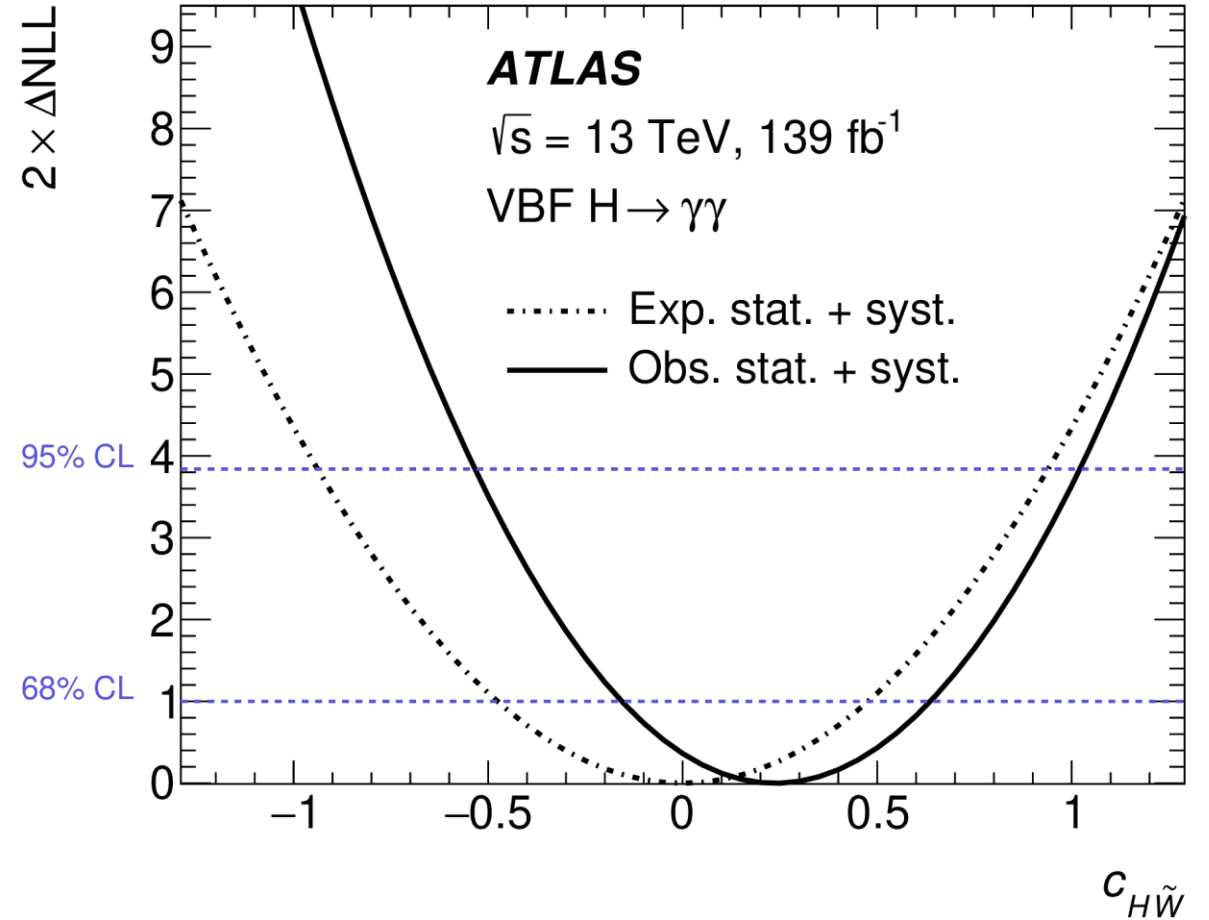
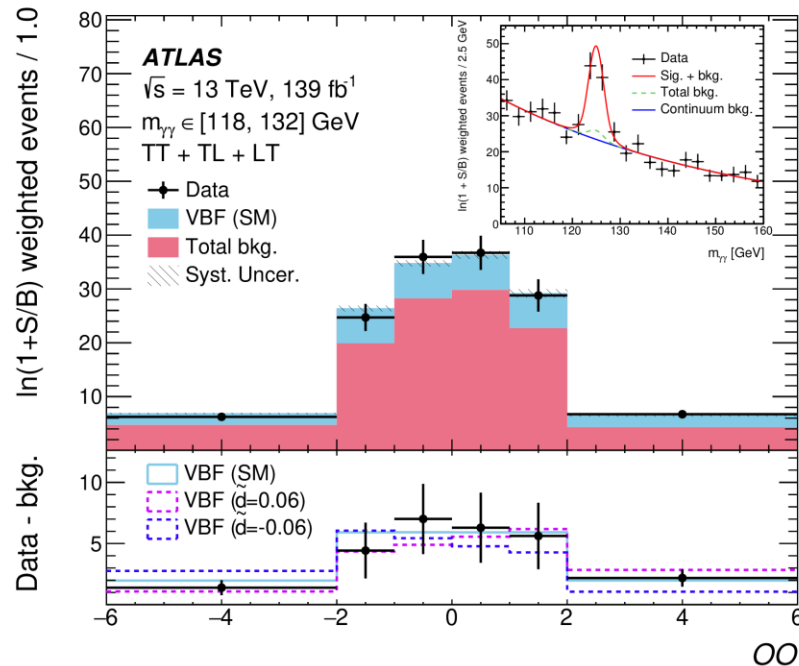


\rightarrow Only shape-information (CP-odd) used in fit

What about CP-violation?

For VBF $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

- Extract constraints with optimal observable (OO)
- Use regions of tight (T) or loose (L) requirements on BDTs enhancing VBF over ggF or the continuum

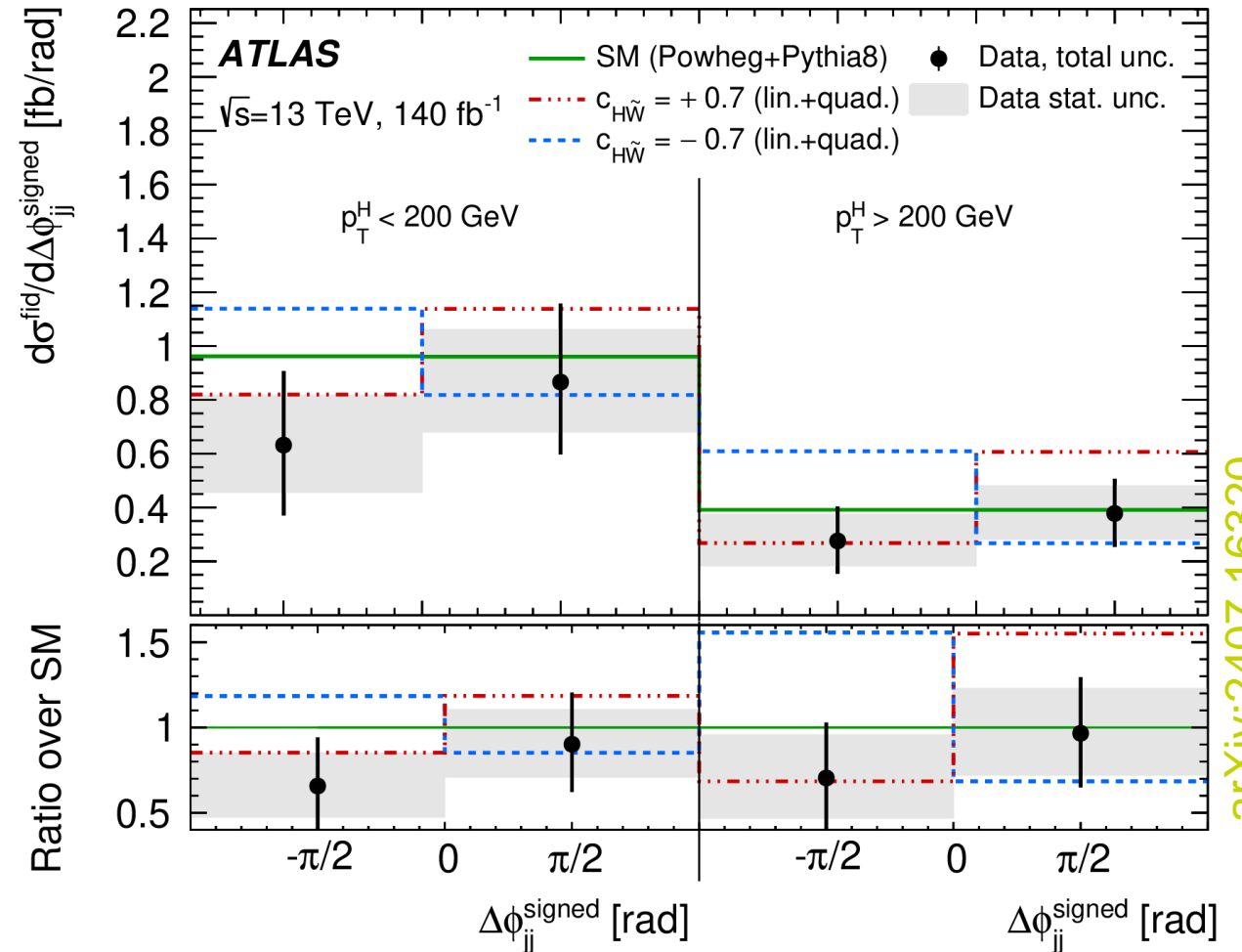


→ Only shape-information used in fit

What about CP-violation?

For VBF $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

- Use unfolded differential cross sections
 - For CP-odd operators

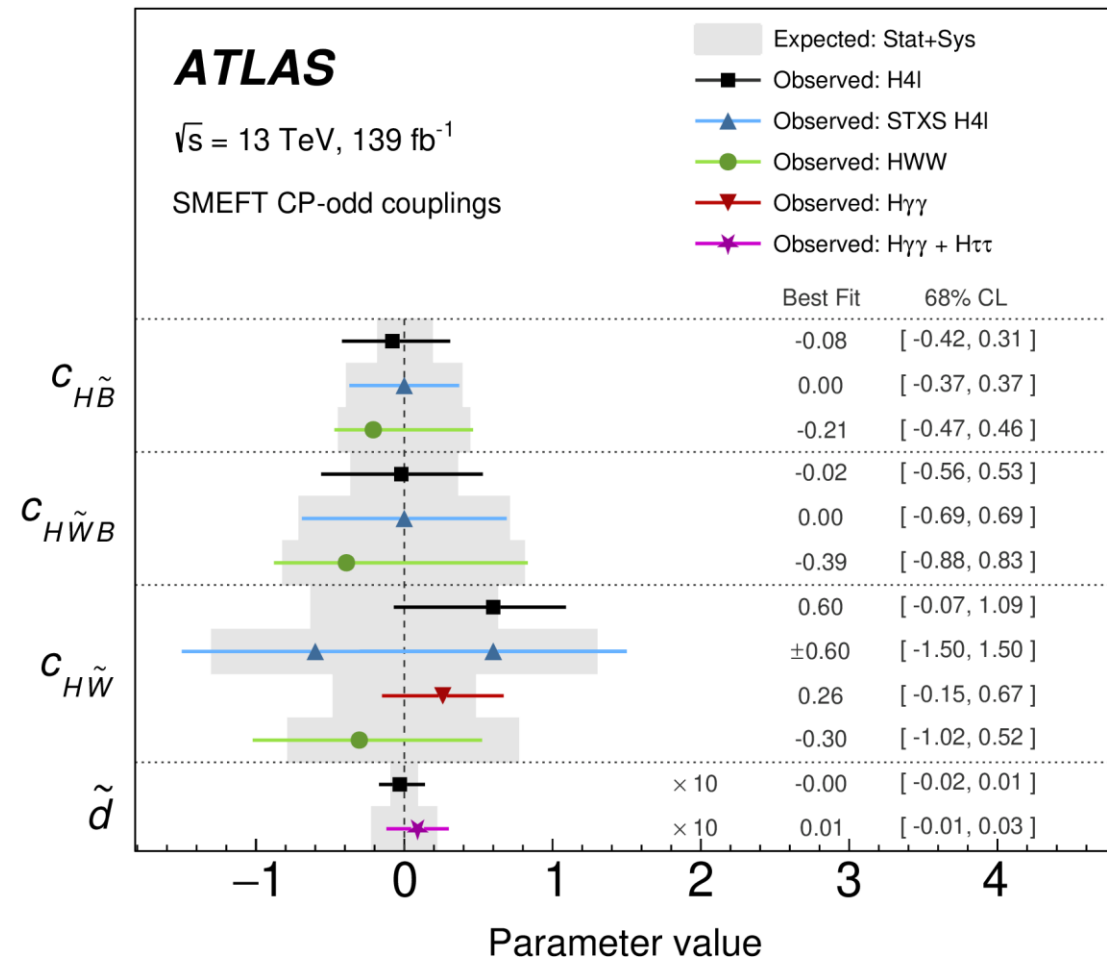


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What about CP-violation?

VBF combination

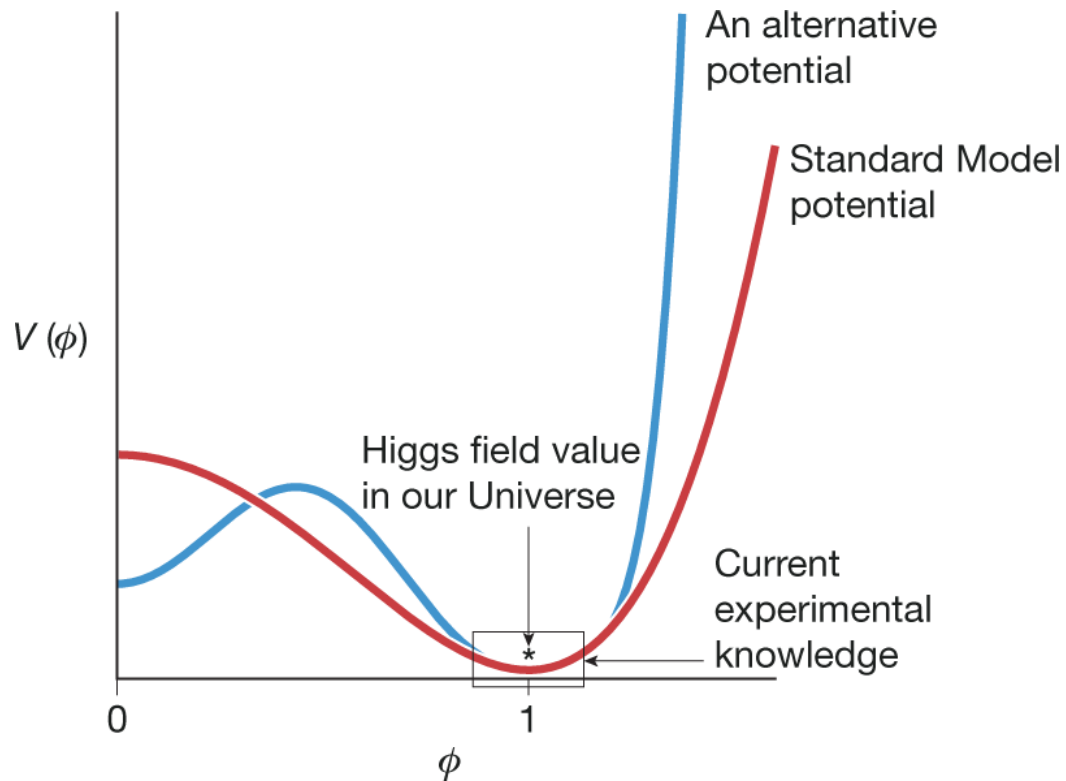
- Prior to latest $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ measurement



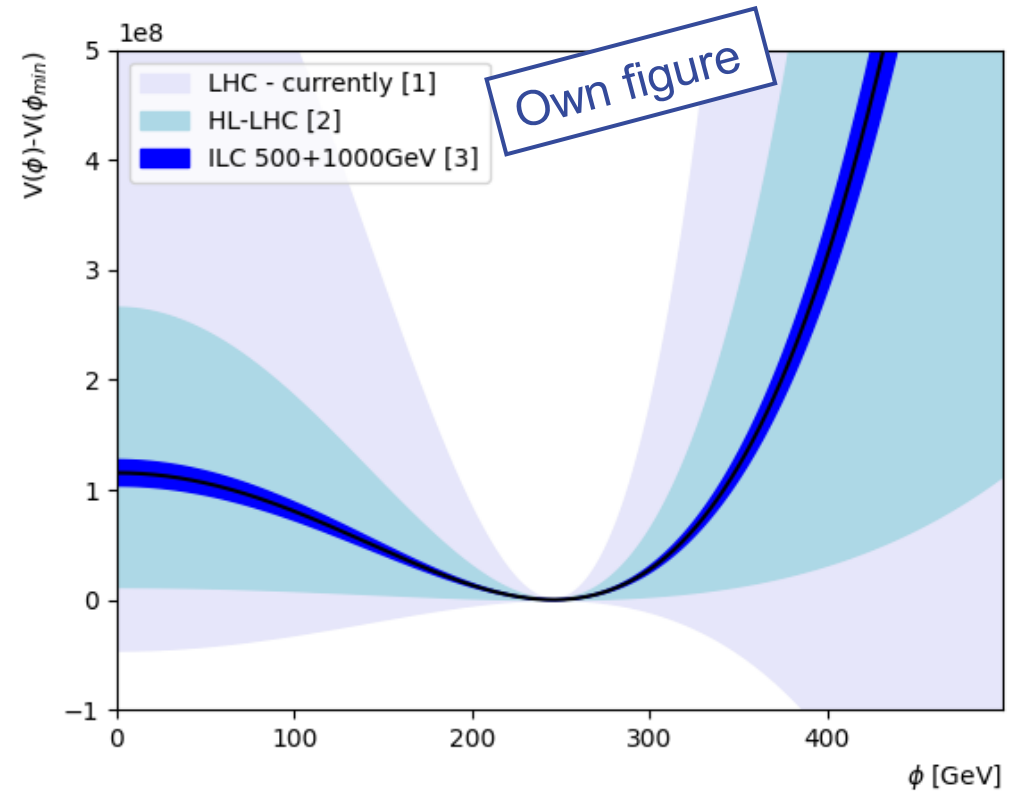
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Higgs potential with HL-LHC and e⁺e⁻ machine

Possibilities of the Higgs potential



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