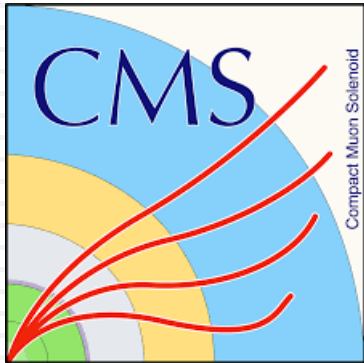


HH Combination in CMS



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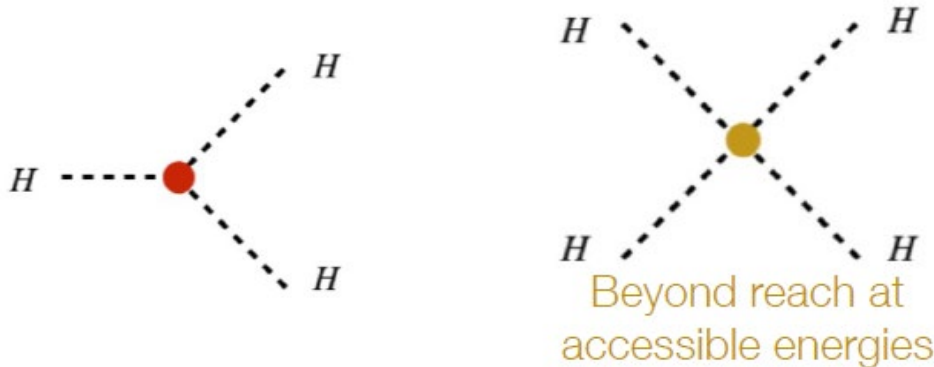
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HH measurement

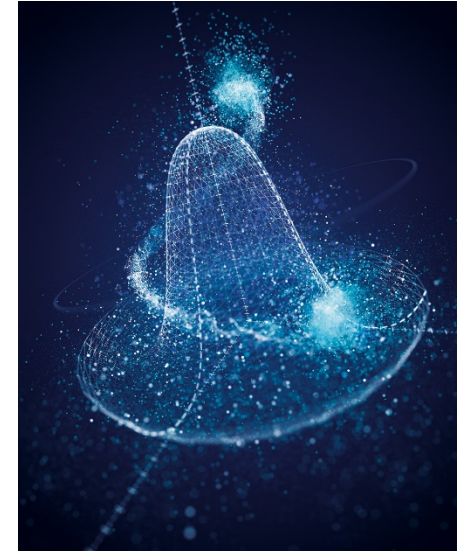
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- HH measurement directly probes Higgs self-coupling
 - Crucial for understanding the Higgs field potential
 - Involved in early universe and defines its fate
 - $V = \mu^2 H^2 + \frac{\mu^2}{v} H^3 + \frac{\mu^2}{4v^2} H^4$



- HH production sensitive to BSM effects
 - Modified couplings, $k_\lambda, k_{2V}, k_V, k_t$
 - $k_\lambda = \lambda/\lambda_{SM}$
 - Additional coupling, c_2, c_g, c_{2g}
 - Resonant production

Focus on non-resonant HH production and SM interpretation based on [Nature article](#) July 4th 2022



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HH production modes

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HH production challenging to measure due to its small cross section

$\sigma_{HH} \sim \frac{\sigma_H}{1000}$ in SM at 13 TeV

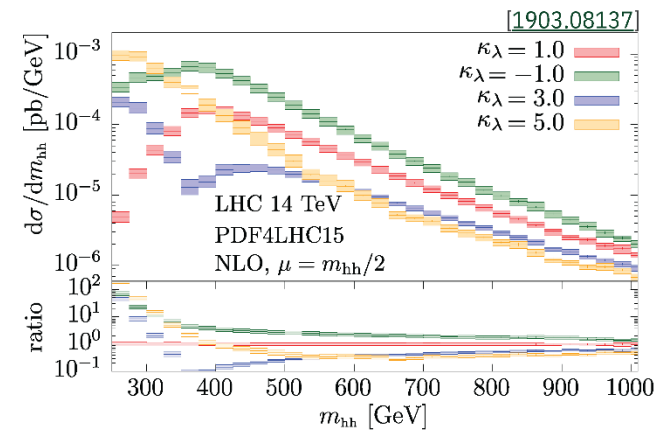
Two main production modes

- $\sigma_{ggF} = 31.05 \text{ fb}$ SM @13 TeV
 - Dominant channel for studying self-coupling
 - Destructive interference
- $\sigma_{VBF} = 1.73 \text{ fb}$ SM @13 TeV
 - Only channel to access quartic VVHH coupling

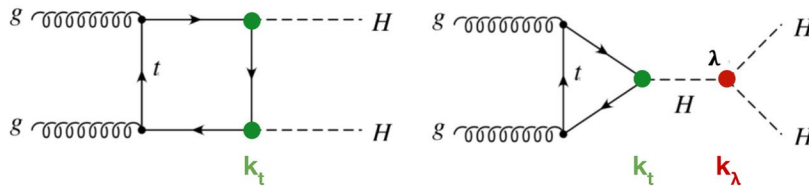
Spectrum of m_{HH} depends on κ_λ

Softer for large $|\kappa_\lambda|$

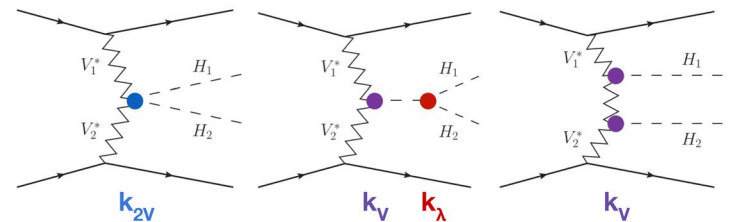
$\kappa_\lambda = \lambda/\lambda^{SM}$ also dictates signal kinematics:



Gluon-gluon fusion (ggF)



Vector-boson fusion (VBF)

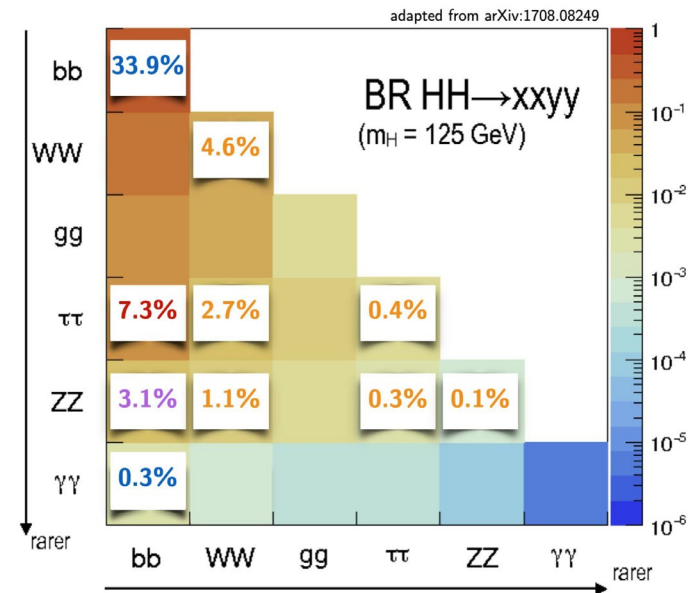


CMS HH combination

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- Best HH sensitivity via combination of all available decay channels
 - Using full Run 2 data with 138 fb^{-1}
 - Included the most sensitive channels
 - All final states defined to be mutually exclusive

Channel	reference
<i>bbbb</i> resolved	arXiv:2202.09617
<i>bbbb</i> boosted	arXiv:2205.06667
<i>bbττ</i>	arXiv:2206.09401
<i>bbγγ</i>	JHEP03(2021)257
<i>bbZZ</i>	arXiv:2206.10657
<i>multilepton</i>	arXiv:2206.10268

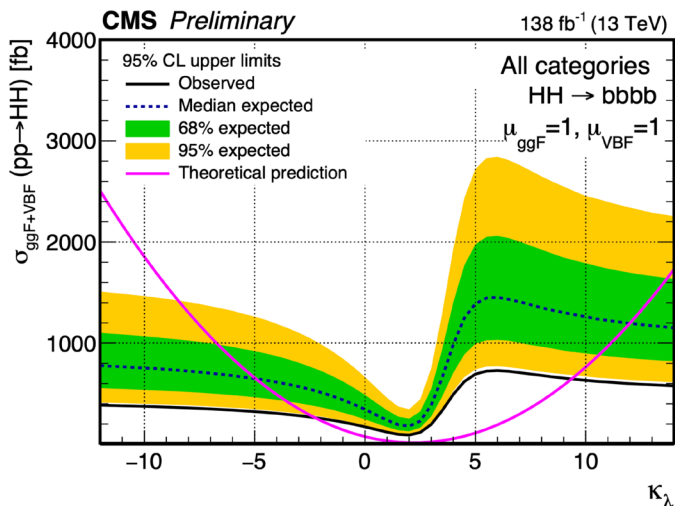
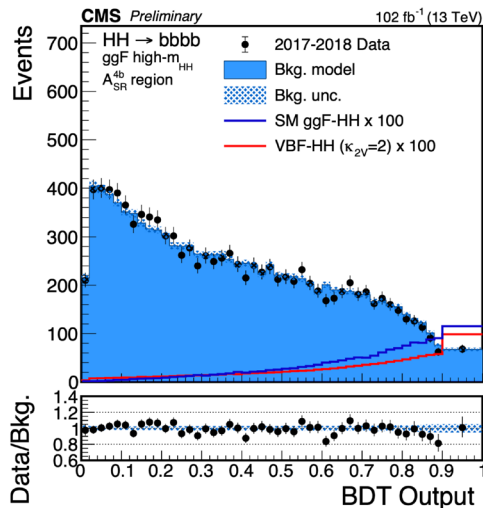


- HH searches evolution since 2016 besides more data
 - Selections targeting VBF HH production mechanism
 - Extensive usage of machine learning, selection/tagging optimization
 - Boosted topologies, additional final states

CMS $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ resolved

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- Final state with four b-jets, plus extra jet pair for VBF HH signal
 - highest branching fraction, large multijet background
 - Measuring both ggF and VBF production of HH
 - reconstruct HH candidate using 4 jets for ggF
 - require additional 2 jets for VBF events
 - use dedicated BDTs to separate different signals and backgrounds
 - large multijet background estimated from data and fitted simultaneously in multiple signal regions



Observed (expected) results:

$$\sigma_{ggF+VBF}^{HH} < 3.9(7.8) \times \sigma_{ggF+VBF}^{HH SM}$$

$$-2.3(-5.0) < k_\lambda < 9.4(12)$$

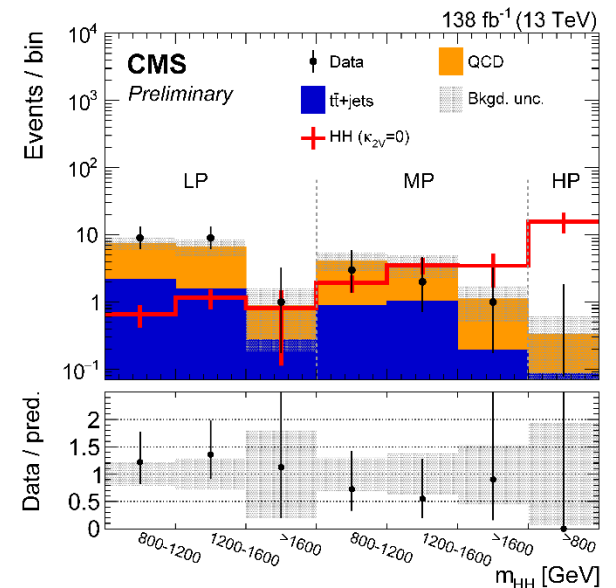
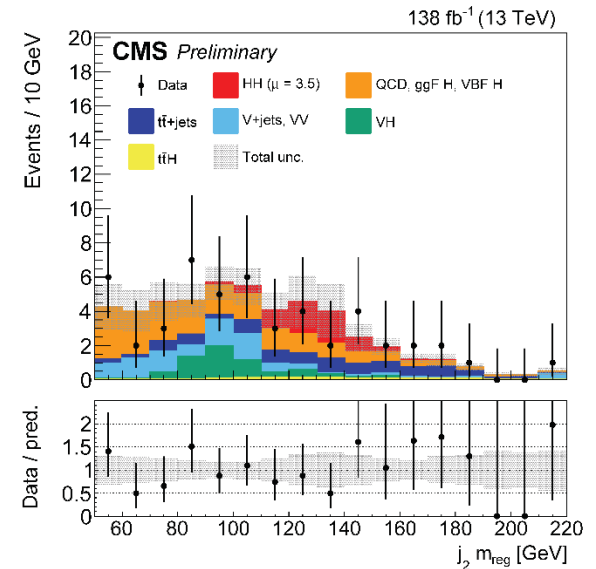
$$-0.1(-0.4) < k_{2V} < 2.2(2.5)$$

[arXiv:2202.09617](https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.09617)

CMS $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ boosted

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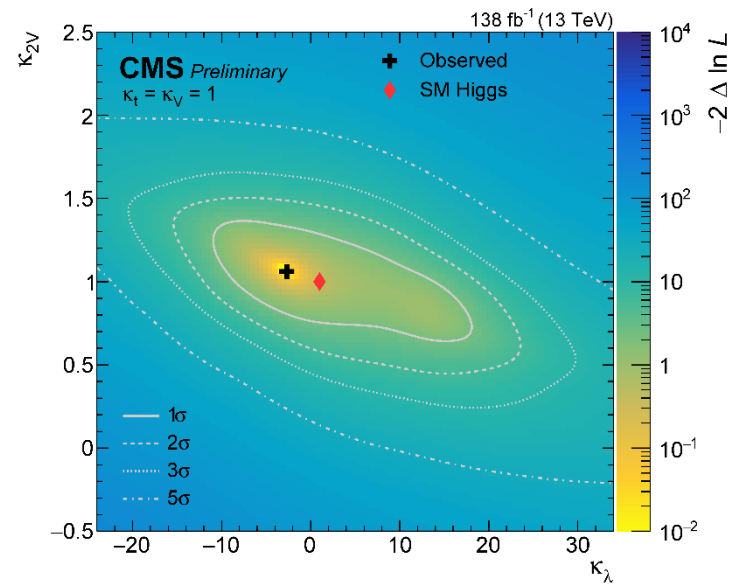
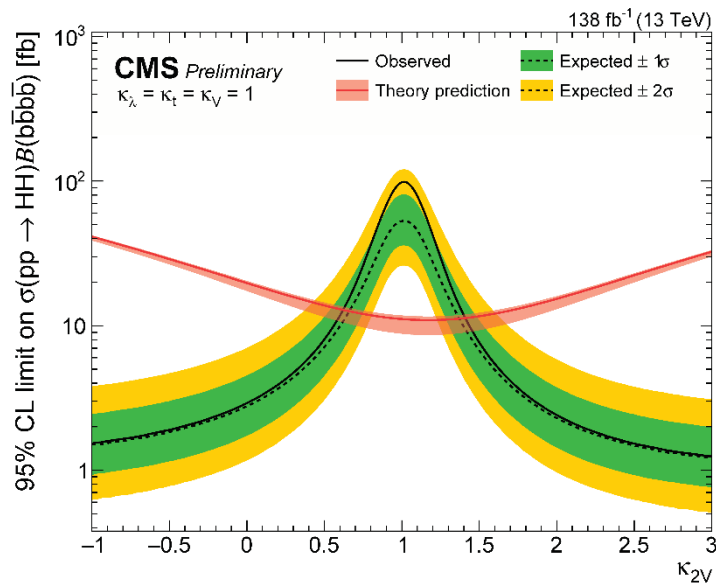
- Final state with two AK8 jets (+extra jet pair in VBF HH)
 - Boosted $H \rightarrow bb$ candidate(s) reconstructed as large radius jet(s)
 - Using jet substructure info “ParticleNet” tagger to identify boosted H decays
 - DNN b-jet energy regression to improve $H \rightarrow bb$ mass resolution
- Main backgrounds from QCD and $t\bar{t}$
 - Fit/correction from control regions
- 3 ggHH enriches categories
 - BDT classifier to separation/categorization
 - Signal extraction: fit to subleading jet mass
- 3 VBFHH enriched categories
 - Classification on ParticleNet score
 - signal extraction from fit to m_{HH}



CMS $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ boosted results

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- Very good constraints on HH signal strength and k_λ
 - $\sigma_{ggF+VBF}^{HH} < 9.9(5.1) \times \sigma_{ggF+VBF}^{HH SM}$
 - $-9.9 (-5.1) < k_\lambda < 16.9 (12.2)$
- $k_{2V} = 0$ firstly excluded at $>5\sigma$ assuming $k_\lambda = k_t = k_V = 1$
 - $0.62 (0.66) < k_{2V} < 1.41 (1.37)$



CMS $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau$

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- Triggers based on leptons and hadronic taus
 - di- τ trigger with or without jets
 - Single-e, e- τ , single-mu and μ - τ triggers
- Leading background from QCD, $t\bar{t}$ and DY events
 - Estimated using data-driven or control regions
- Event categorization on production mode and final state
- DNN classifiers to separate signal and backgrounds
- Signal extraction from fit to DNN score

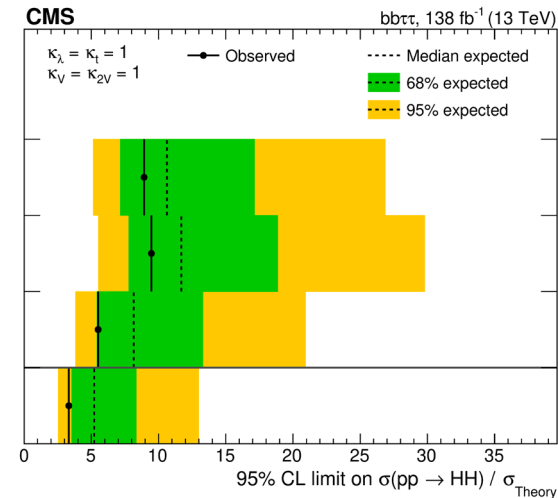
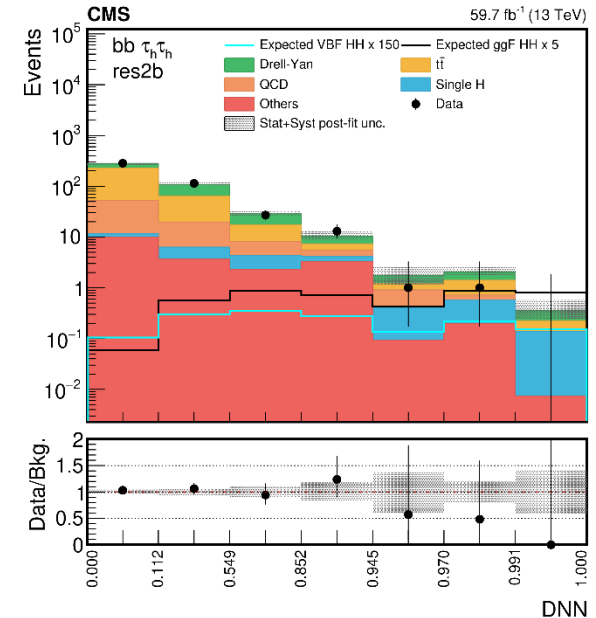
Most stringent limits on inclusive HH (observed) and VBFHH:

$$\sigma_{ggF+VBF}^{HH} < 3.3(5.2) \times \sigma_{ggF+VBF}^{HH SM},$$

$$\sigma_{VBF}^{HH} < 124(154) \times \sigma_{VBF}^{HH SM},$$

$$-1.8(-3.0) < k_\lambda < 8.8(9.9)$$

$$-0.4(-0.6) < k_{2V} < 2.6(2.8)$$



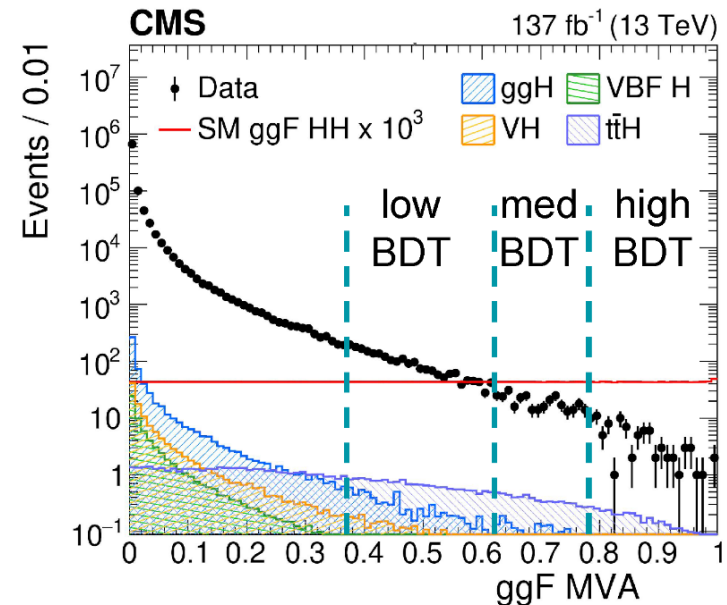
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CMS $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$

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- Final states: 2 photons and 2 b-jets
 - very small BR, clean signal extraction due to the narrow $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ mass peak
- Main backgrounds: $\gamma\gamma + jets$, $\gamma + jets$, ttH
- Besides ggF production mode, VBF production is also studied
- Two Boosted Decision Trees (BDTs) are trained to separate HH signal and backgrounds
 - 1 for ggF, 1 for VBF
- To reduce ttH background contamination, a dedicated Deep Neural Network (DNN) was developed
- Category optimized to enhance sensitivity to SM and anomalous couplings
 - 2 VBF categories, 12 ggF categories
- The HH signal is extracted from a 2D fit to the invariant mass of the two Higgs bosons ($m_{\gamma\gamma}$, m_{bb}) in the final state simultaneously in all categories.

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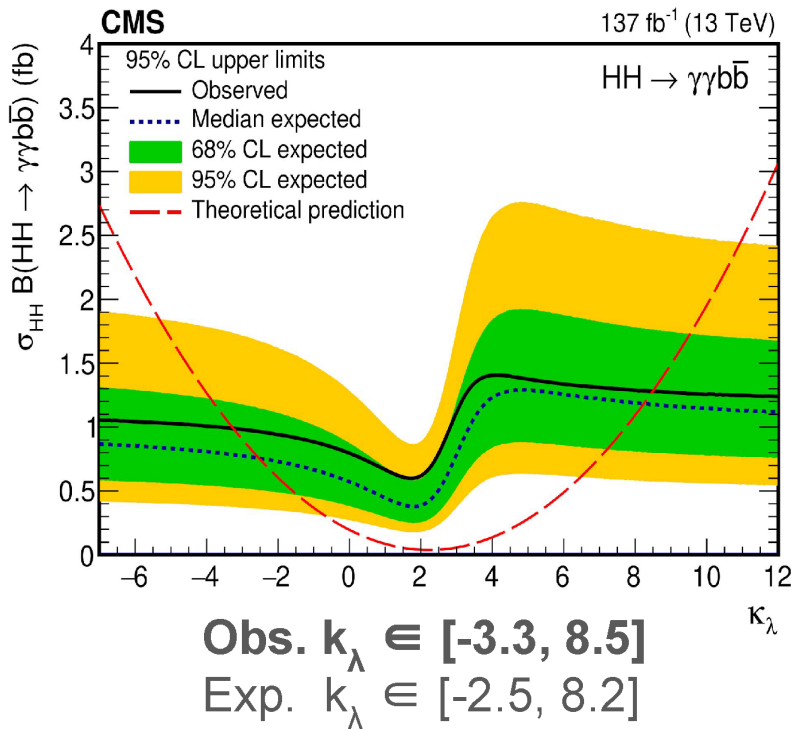


CMS $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ results

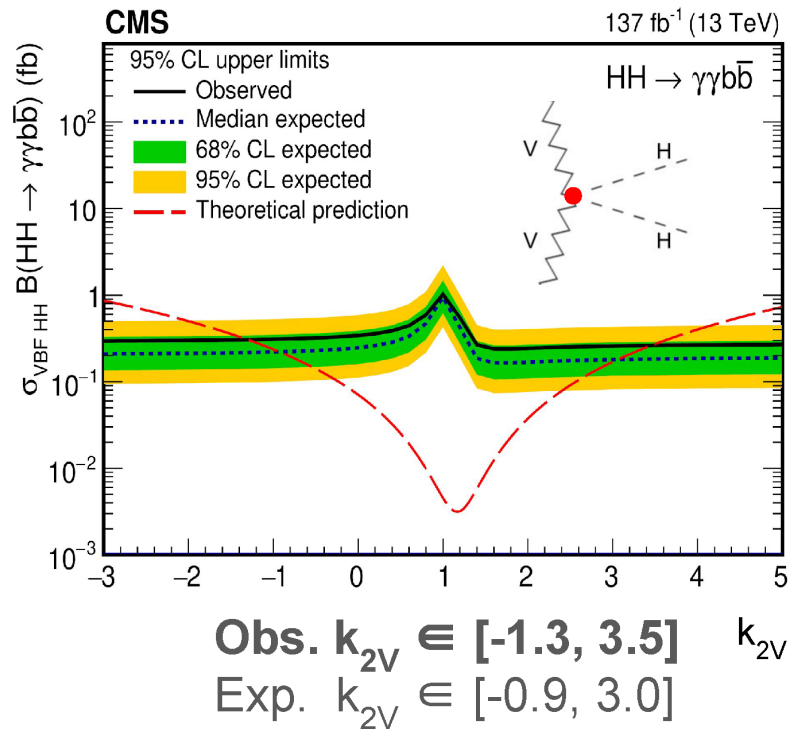
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- No deviations from SM observed
- Obs.(exp.) upper limit on HH signal strength $7.7(5.2)\times\text{SM}$

Limit on HH XS×BR vs k_λ



Limit on VBF HH XS×BR vs $k_{2V} = c_{2V} / c_{2V}^{\text{SM}}$

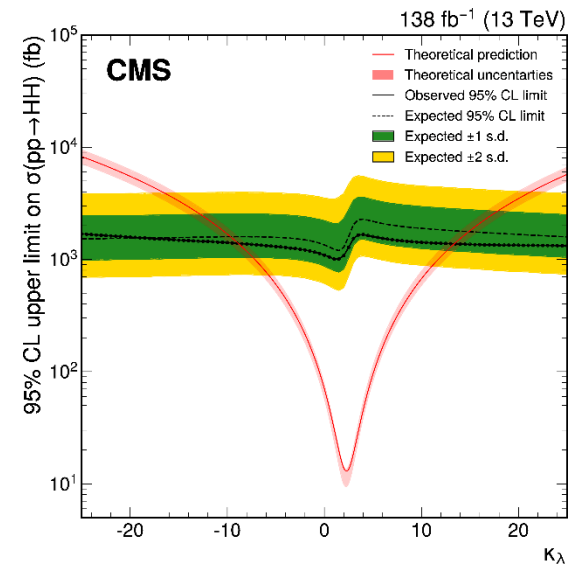
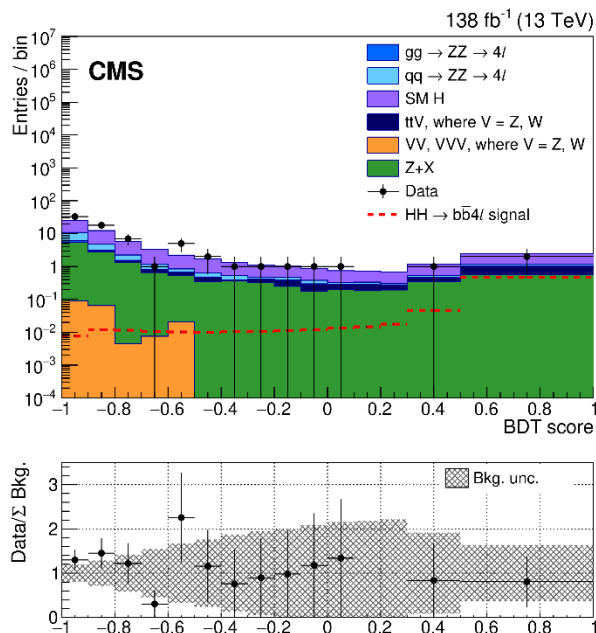


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CMS $HH \rightarrow bbZZ$ with Run2 data

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- ggF $HH \rightarrow bbZZ$ channel with final states of two b-jets and two pairs of opposite-charge leptons ($4\mu, 4e, 2\mu 2e$): [arXiv:2206.10657](https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.10657)
 - 9 BDTs are trained for each data-taken year and each final state channels to separate signal and backgrounds
 - signal region is defined with $m_{4l} \sim m_H$
 - multi-dimensional binned fit to the BDT distribution in data is performed to extract the signal



Observed (expected) limits at 95% CL:

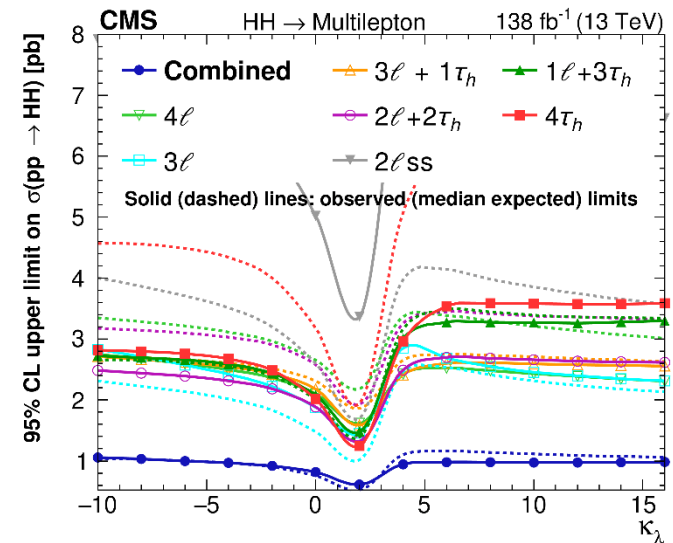
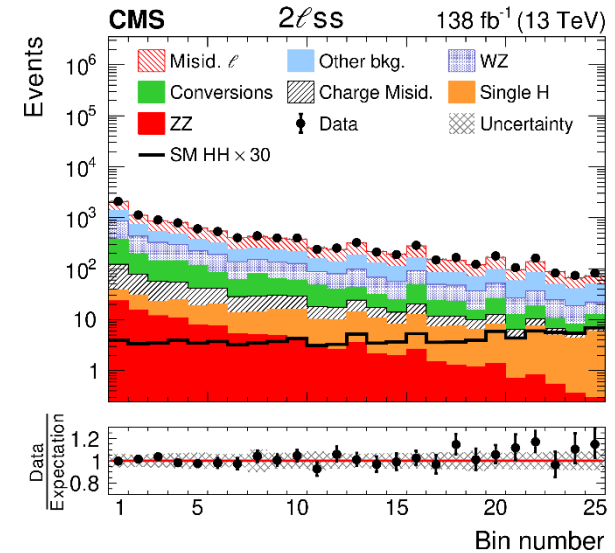
$$\sigma_{ggF}^{HH} < 30(37) \times \sigma_{ggF}^{HH SM}$$

HH→Multilepton (WWWW, WW $\tau\tau$, $\tau\tau\tau\tau$)

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- HH→WWWW, WW $\tau\tau$, and $\tau\tau\tau\tau$ final states with μ , e , or τ_h
 - 7 event categories with final states of 2lss, 3l, 4l, 3l+1 τ_h , 2l+2 τ_h , 1l+3 τ_h , 0l+4 τ_h
 - AK4/AK8 jets requirements in 2lss and 3l categories
 - Selections on $m(l+l^-)$ to reduce DY and ZZ bkg
- Background dominated by di-boson and events with mis-identified l or τ_h
 - Data-driven modelling for fakes and MC modelling for others
- BDT classifiers to separate signal from background
 - Optimized separately for SM and BSM models
- Observed (expected) results:
 - $\sigma_{HH} < 21.3(19.4) \times \sigma_{HH}^{SM}$
 - $-6.9 (-6.9) < k_\lambda < 11.1 (11.7)$

[arXiv:2206.10268](https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.10268)



HH signal modeling in combination

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- Continuous morphing between discrete ($\mathbf{k}_\lambda, \mathbf{k}_{2V}, \mathbf{k}_V, \mathbf{k}_t$) points
 - One MC per point

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{ggF} \quad D_{gghh}(k_\lambda, k_t) = r \cdot r_{gghh} \cdot \sum_i^3 f_{gghh}^i(k_\lambda, k_t) \cdot D_{gghh}^i \\
 \text{VBF} \quad D_{qqhh}(k_{2V}, k_V, k_\lambda) = r \cdot r_{qqhh} \cdot \sum_i^6 f_{qqhh}^i(k_{2V}, k_V, k_\lambda) \cdot D_{qqhh}^i
 \end{array}$$

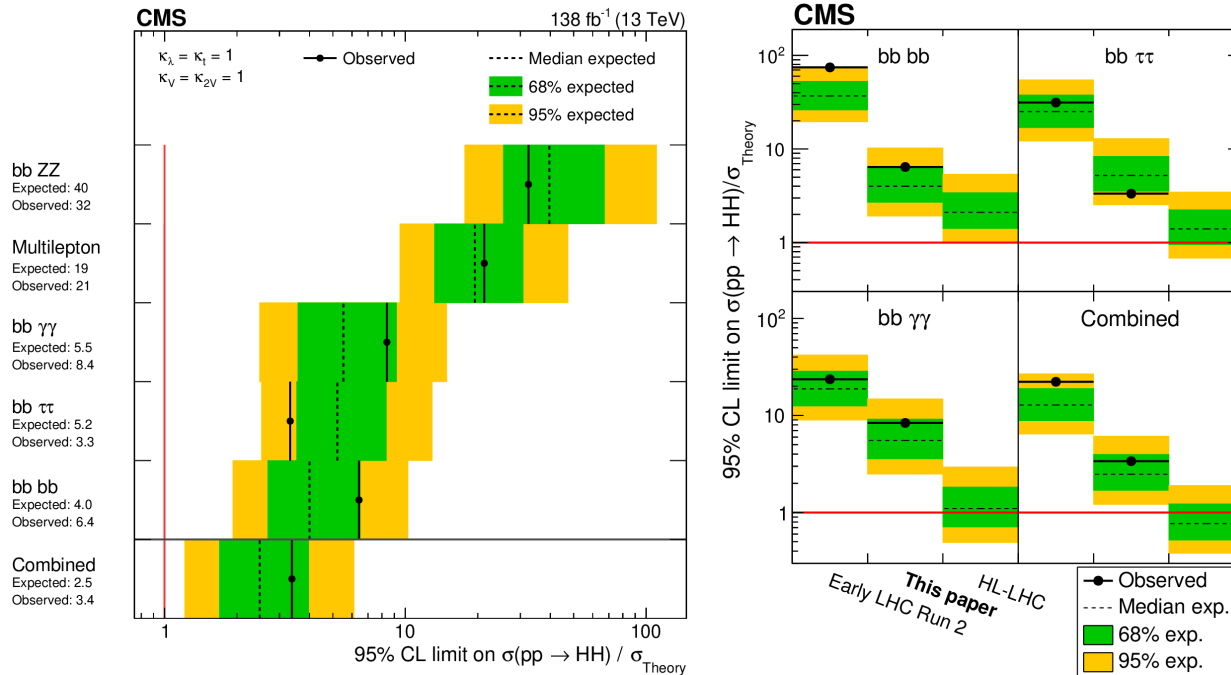
Morphed shape
Morphing coeff. for point i
MC shape for point i

- Also take into account additional model/systematic dependence
 - \mathbf{k}_λ dependent QCD scale + m_{top} signal uncertainty
 - Scaling of single H background cross sections with \mathbf{k} 's
 - Scaling of H branching fractions with \mathbf{k} 's for signal and single H background

- ⊙ Experimental uncertainties
 - ⊙ Common with all channels
 - ⊙ luminosity, Jet resolution and scales, b-tagging, missing ET, tau/lepton identification, trigger, pile up, MC statistics etc.
 - ⊙ Channel specific
 - ⊙ mostly background estimation uncertainties, scales or constrained from control regions
- ⊙ Theoretical uncertainties
 - ⊙ HH Signal
 - ⊙ Higgs branching ratios in HH
 - ⊙ PDF + α_s
 - ⊙ QCD scale + m_{top} , $k\lambda$ dependent
 - ⊙ Shower modelling
 - ⊙ Backgrounds
 - ⊙ Higgs branching ratios for single H
 - ⊙ PDF, α_s , QCD scale
 - ⊙ EWK corrections
 - ⊙ modeling of ISR/FSR etc.

Limits on the HH production and their time evolution

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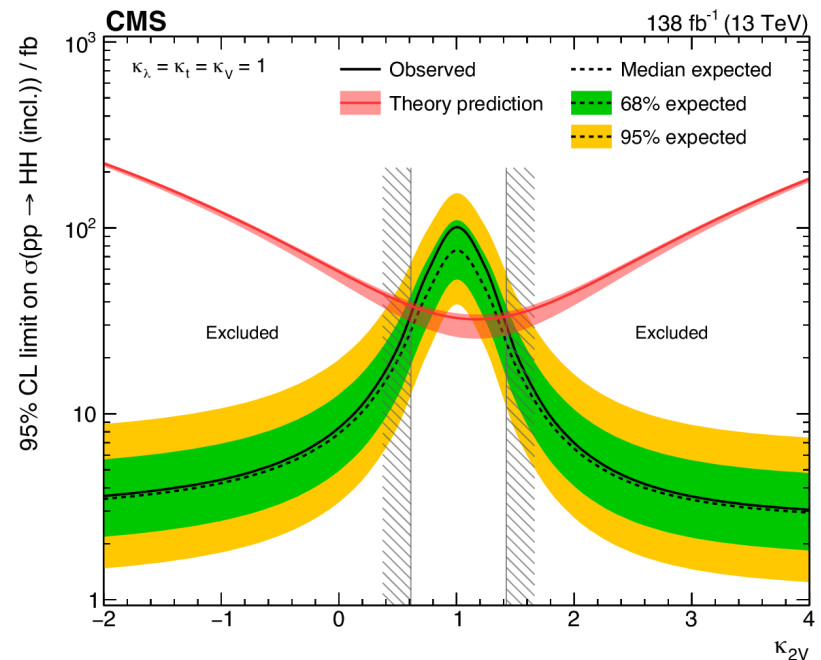
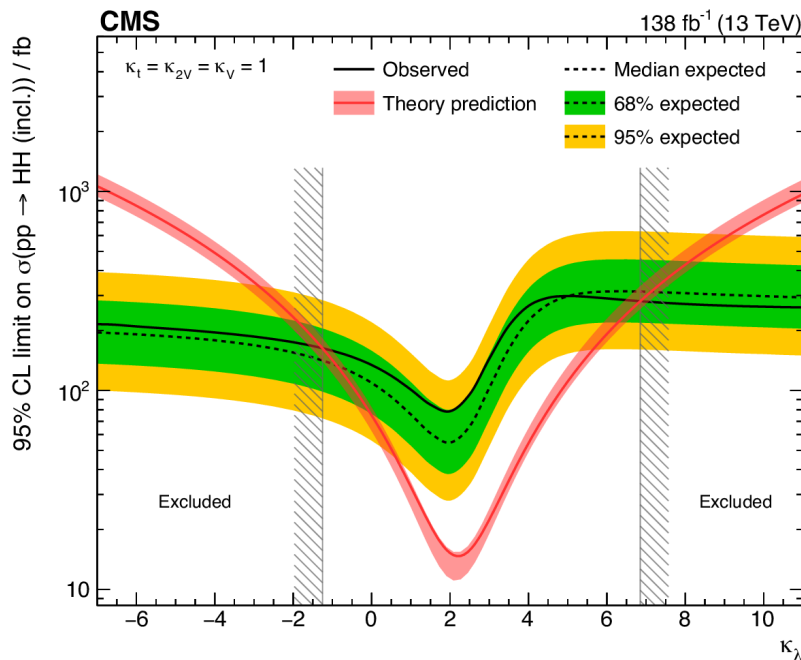
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- ⦿ Expected and observed upper limits of HH production cross section
 - ⦿ Presented as ratios of measured HH cross section and the expectation from the SM
 - ⦿ Observed (expected) 95% CL Upper limits: $3.4 (2.5) \times SM$
 - ⦿ Compared to early Run 2 results (35.9 fb⁻¹) and HL-LHC expectation (3000 fb⁻¹)
 - ⦿ Significant improvement comparing to early Run 2 results
 - ⦿ Sensitivity in HL-LHC sufficient to establish the existence of the SM HH production

HH production cross-section limits with k_λ , k_{2V}

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- 95% CL interval for Higgs boson self-interaction coupling modifier k_λ
 - $[-1.24, 6.49]$
- 95% CL interval for k_{2V}
 - $[0.67, 1.38]$
- $k_{2V} = 0$ is excluded with a significance of 6.6σ , assuming $k_\lambda = k_V = k_t = 1$

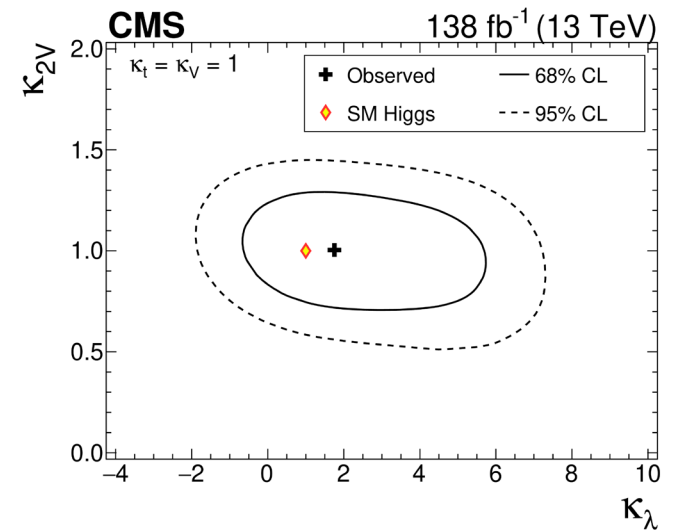


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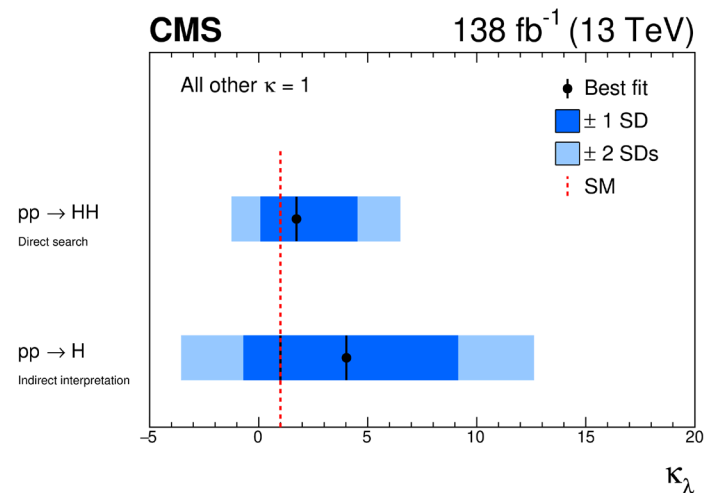
Summary

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- ⊙ Non-resonant HH combination results in CMS with 138 fb⁻¹ data
 - ⊙ Contributing channels
 - ⊙ bbbb (resolved+boosted), bbττ, bbγγ, bbZZ(4l), multilepton
 - ⊙ All results agree with SM prediction
 - ⊙ Best sensitivity on HH production limits with the combination:
 - ⊙ Observed $\sigma_{HH} < 3.4 \times \sigma_{HH SM}$ (2.4 expected) @ 95% CL
 - ⊙ Constraints on k_λ with 95% CL interval
 - ⊙ $k_\lambda \in [-1.24, 6.49]$
 - ⊙ Constraints on k_{2V} with 95% CL interval
 - ⊙ $k_{2V} \in [0.67, 1.38]$
 - ⊙ Exclusion of the $k_{2V} = 0$
 - ⊙ With 6.6σ assuming $k_\lambda = k_V = k_t = 1$
- ⊙ More impressive results expected with addition channels in Run2 as well as the H+HH, ATLAS+CMS combination in future



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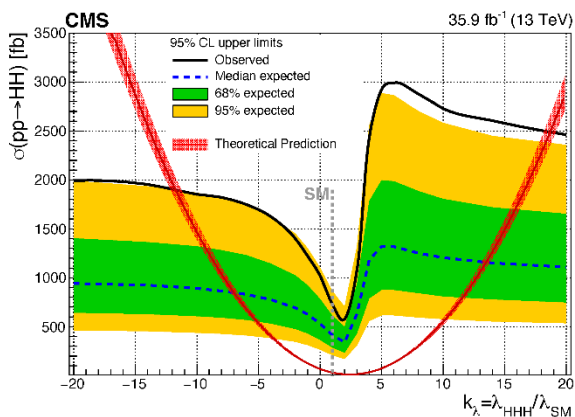
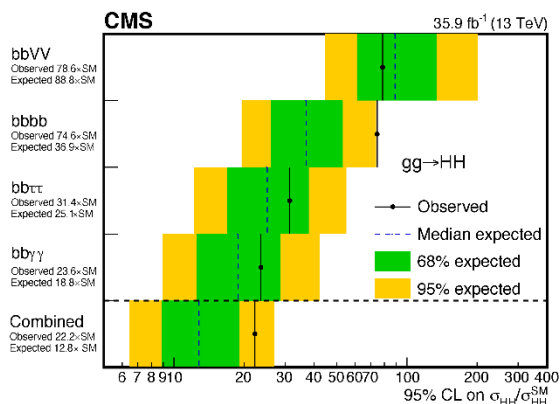


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Old HH combination

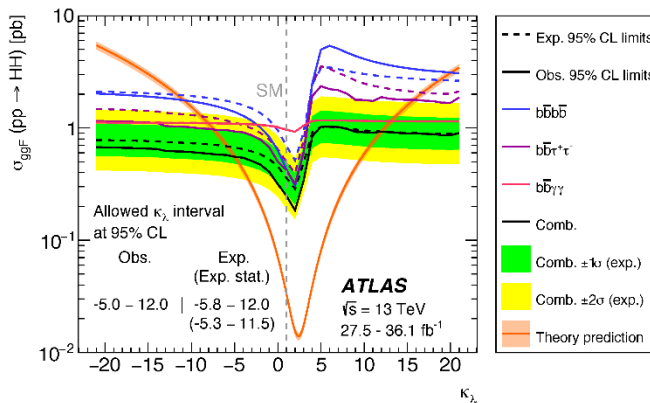
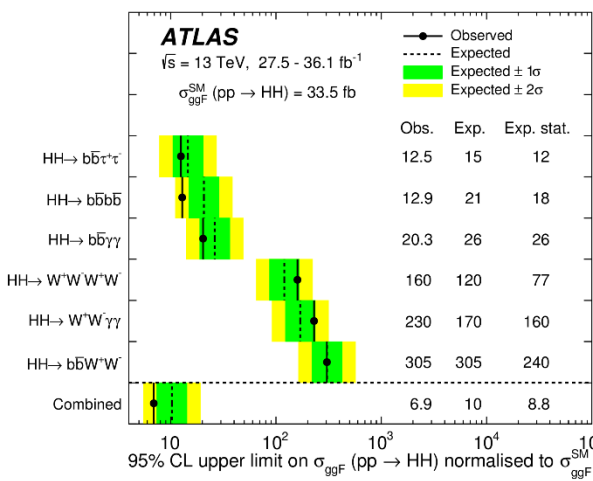
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- Both ATLAS and CMS have performed HH combination with partial Run2 data
 - 27.5-36.1 fb⁻¹ data for ATLAS, 35.9 fb⁻¹ data for CMS
 - only consider ggF HH production



Observed (expected) limits at 95% CL:

- ATLAS: $\sigma_{ggF}^{HH} < 6.9$ (10) $\times \sigma_{ggF}^{HH SM}$
- CMS: $\sigma_{ggF}^{HH} < 12.8$ (22.2) $\times \sigma_{ggF}^{HH SM}$
- ATLAS: -5 (-5.8) $< \kappa_\lambda < 12$ (12.0)
- CMS: -11.8 (-7.1) $< \kappa_\lambda < 18.8$ (13.6)

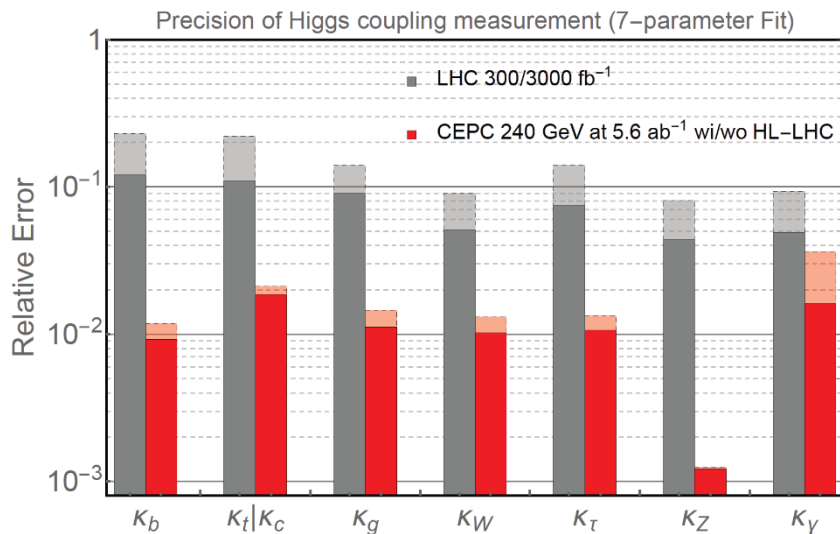


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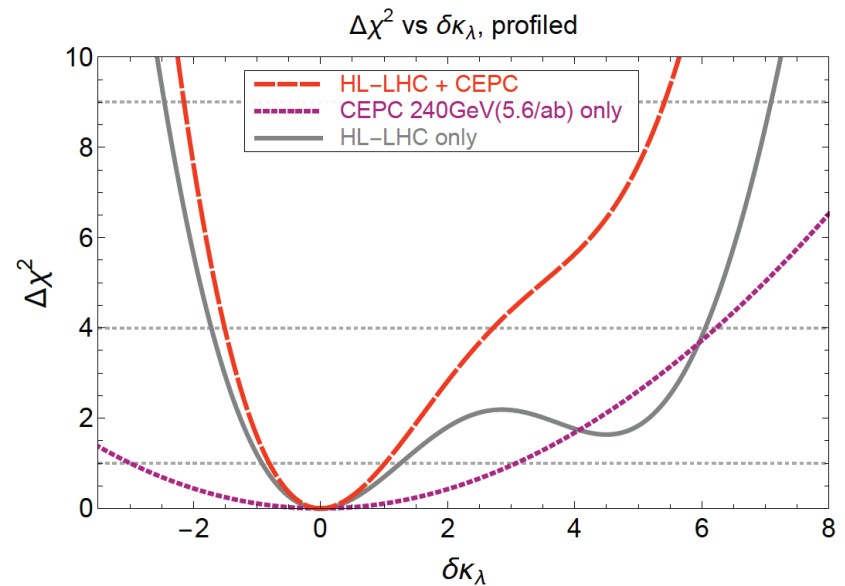
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- Future lepton collider like CEPC will be practically free of systematic uncertainties
 - an order of magnitude or more improvement in precision in most Higgs measurements and many electroweak observables
 - search for potential unknown decay modes that are impractical at hadron colliders

CEPC CDR Volume II (Physics and Detector)



more precise coupling measurements



complementary k_λ constraints