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Search for heavy resonances decaying to 4ℓ and missing transverse energy

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□ 4 ℓ +MET analysis:

- [Glance link](#)
- [TWiki](#) (still developing)
- Supporting note in the [CDS](#) \Rightarrow
- Recent communication through the [CDS](#)

□ Common $H4\ell$ note:

The note can be found [here](#), where the 4 ℓ selection is discribed.

□ High mass note:

This [note](#) is very useful. We use the same minitrees production code, statistical tools, control region signal modelling and background shape uncertainty study.



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Search for heavy resonances in the 4 ℓ final state in association with missing transverse energy in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV with the ATLAS detector

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A search for a new heavy boson produced via gluon-fusion associated with missing transverse energy in the four-lepton channel is presented. The search uses proton-proton collision data equivalent to an integrated luminosity of 139.0 fb⁻¹ at a centre-of-mass energy of 13 TeV collected by the ATLAS detector between 2015 and 2018 at the Large Hadron Collider. The heavy boson, R (A), decays to an S (Z) boson and another lighter Higgs-like boson, H , which subsequently decays to 4 ℓ . The S boson is supposed to decay to dark matter, and the Z boson can decay inclusively. The mass spectrum studied is 390–2160 (320–2090) GeV for the R (A) boson and 220–1000 GeV for the H boson. The S boson mass is fixed to 160 GeV. Upper limits on the $\sigma \times \text{BR}(R(A) \rightarrow SH(ZH)) \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell)$ at 95% confidence level are set. The expected (observed) upper limits are in the range of 0.03–0.30 (xx–xx) fb for $R \rightarrow SH \rightarrow 4\ell + E_{\text{miss}}^{\text{DM}}$ and 0.04–0.35 (xx–xx) fb for $A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow 4\ell + X$. The results are interpreted in terms of the two-Higgs-doublet model scenarios where exclusion limits are performed.

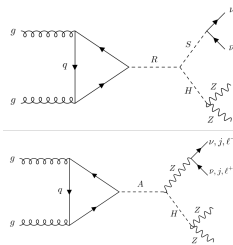
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- The 4ℓ +MET analysis searches for heavy resonances.
- Heavy bosons decay to 4ℓ in association with missing transverse energy.
- Interpret the data in terms of two models:

- $R \rightarrow SH \rightarrow 4\ell + E_T^{\text{miss}}$, [1]
- $A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow 4\ell + X$, [2,3]

- Targets Run-II dataset with luminosity of 139 fb^{-1} .
- Expected and observed 2D limit on the $m_{A/R}$ - m_H plane.
- Set upper limits on the 2D mass contour of the $m_{A/R}$ - m_H plane.



[1] JHEP 03 (2017) 094

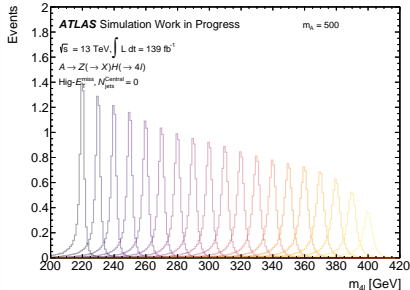
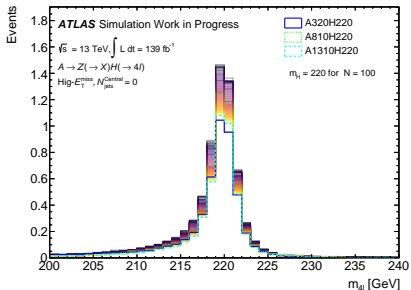
[2] Phys.Rev.Lett.113

[3] Eur. Phys. J. C (2016)

- A new $A \rightarrow Z(\rightarrow 2\ell)H(\rightarrow 2\ell + X)$ signal to the main $A \rightarrow Z(\rightarrow X)H(\rightarrow 4\ell)$ signal;
- Using histograms directly in the fit instead of DSCB+Gaussian function;
- The DSCB+Gaussian function is used to estimate the systematic on the signal shape;
- Statistical results are produced using TRExFitter instead of the HZZWorkspace:
 - comparison was done [here](#)
 - a bit faster than the previous one
 - automatic plotting
- limits on the $(m_{R/A}, m_H)$ plane using limits of 79k samples not interpolating limit for 72.
- The "islands" problem on the exclusion plots is solved and generate plots with new limits.

Signal interpolation

$$A \rightarrow Z(\rightarrow X)H(\rightarrow 4\ell)$$

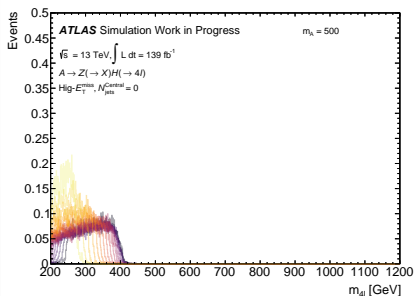
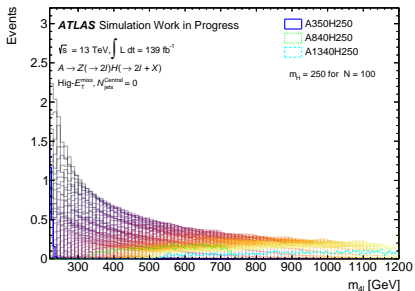


□ Interpolation the signal is done in two steps:

- fix m_H and interpolate $m_A - m_H$ or m_A (711 out of 72 mass points)
- fix the $m_A - m_H$ and interpolate m_H (7.9k out of 711 mass points)

Signal interpolation

$$A \rightarrow Z(\rightarrow 2\ell)H(\rightarrow 2\ell + X)$$

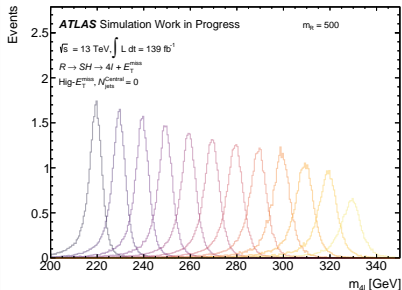
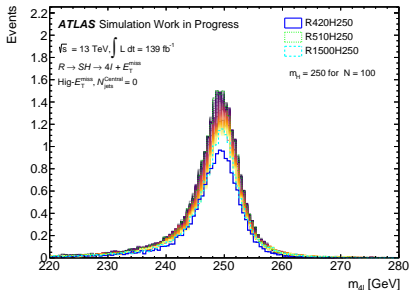


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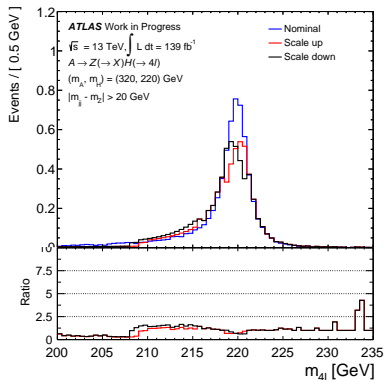
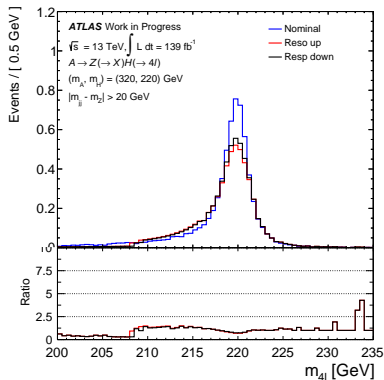
$$R \rightarrow SH \rightarrow 4\ell + E_T^{\text{miss}}$$



□ Interpolation the signal is done in two steps:

- fix m_H and interpolate $m_R - m_H$ or m_R (711 out of 72 mass points)
- fix the $m_R - m_H$ and interpolate m_H (7.9k out of 711 mass points)

Systematic on the signal shape

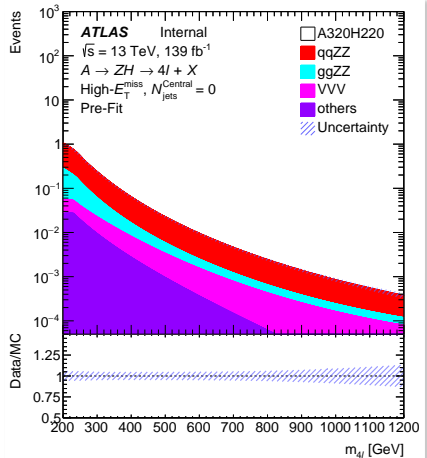
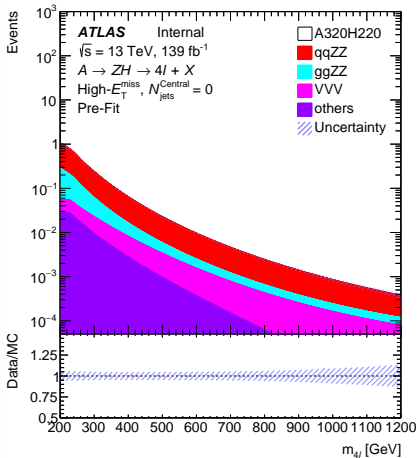


- First the nominal signal is fitted to DSCB+Gaussian and then get the σ and μ values
- Resolution: the σ is modified by 1.4% (up/down)
- Scale: the μ is modified by 0.23% (up/down)

Fit results

Background only Asimov data

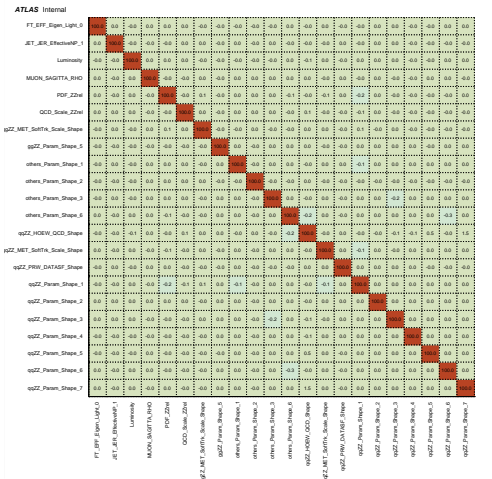
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- The expected upper limit is found to be 0.284 fb its 7% better than the previous results.
- The main difference is using the full histogram range instead of DSCB+Gaussian.

Fit results

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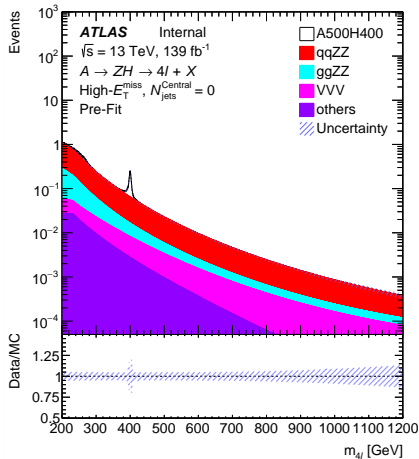
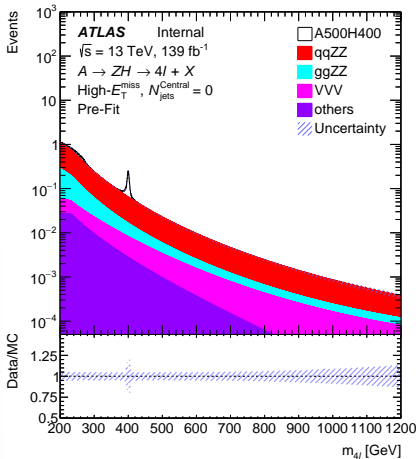


□ Correlation between nuisance parameters for the $(m_A, m_H) = (320, 220)$ GeV signal

Fit results

Background+Signal Asimov data

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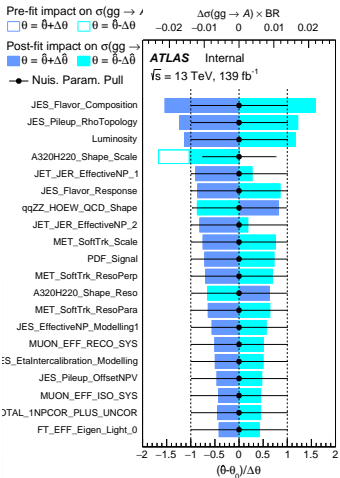


□ Injecting a signal by setting the POI to one.

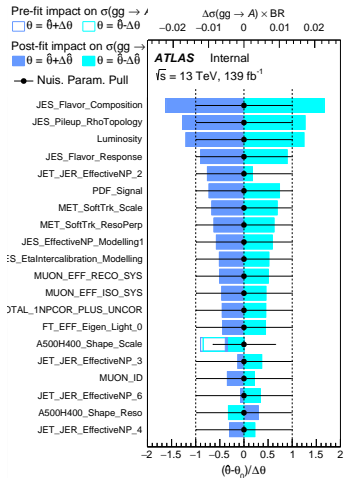
Fit results

Background+Signal Asimov data

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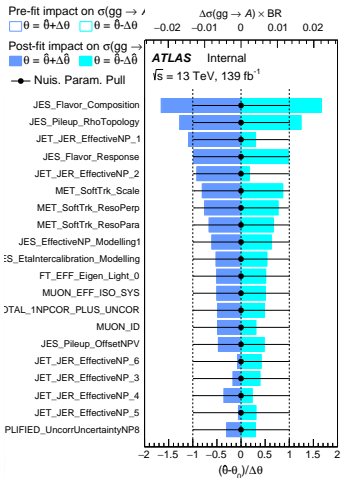
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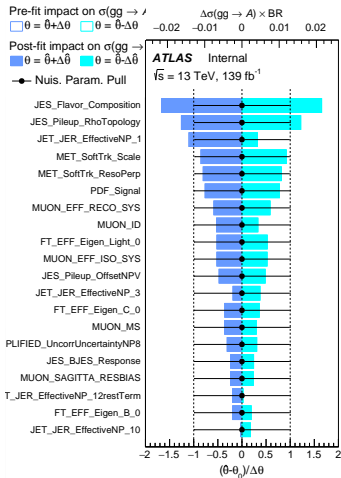
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Fit results

Background+Signal Asimov data



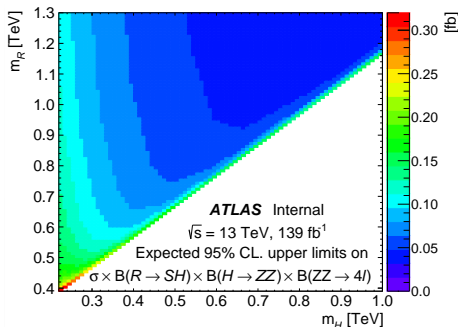
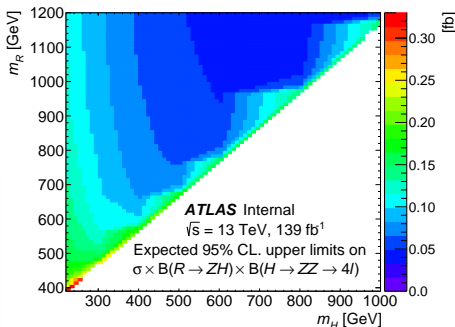
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A2090H1000

Expected upper limits

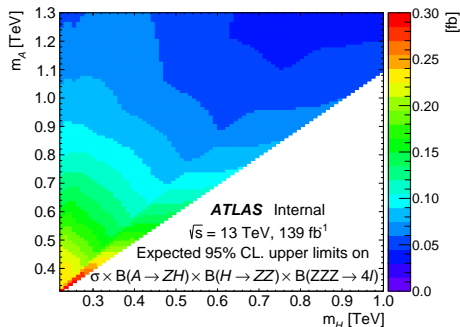
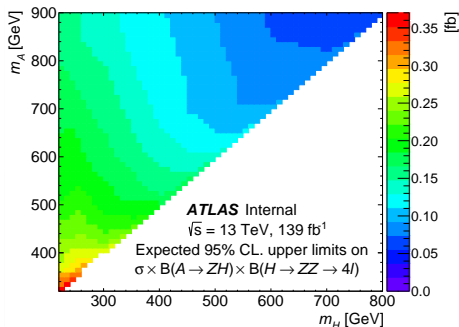
on the (m_R, m_H) plane for the $R \rightarrow SH \rightarrow 4\ell + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ model



- Upper limits at 95% CL between [0.030 - 0.305] fb on (320, 1300) - (220, 1000) GeV.
- Interpolating the limit of 72 mass points (left), and using 7900 mass points (right).

Expected upper limits

on the (m_A, m_H) plane for the $A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow 4\ell + X$ model

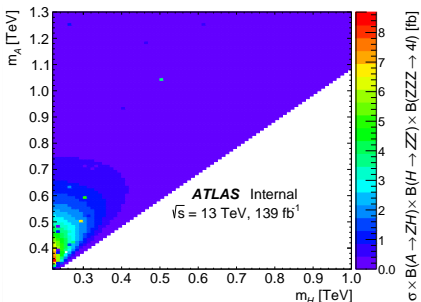


- Upper limits at 95% CL between [0.028 - 0.293] fb on (320, 1300) - (220, 1000) GeV.
- Interpolating the limit of 72 mass points (left), and using 7900 mass points (right). scale

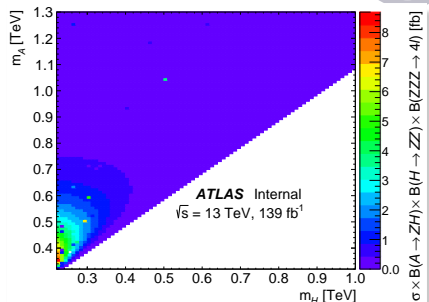
2HDM cross-section

$A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow 4\ell + X$ cross-section calculation

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Type-I



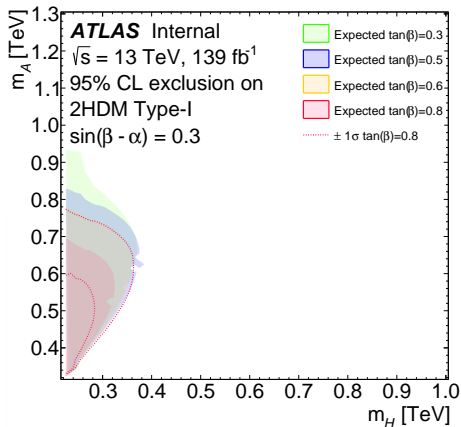
Type-II

- Two CP-even (m_H, m_h), one CP-odd (m_A) and two charged scalars (m_{H^\pm})
- Mixing angle for the neutral Higgses (α), and vev ratio $\tan(\beta) = \mu_1/\mu_2$.
- The Z_2 breaking symmetry $m_{12} = m_H^2 \cdot \tan(\beta)/(1 + \tan^2(\beta))$
- Corresponds to $\sin(\beta - \alpha) = 0.8$ and $\tan(\beta) = 2.0$
- Cross-section calculated using 2HDM calculator [4]

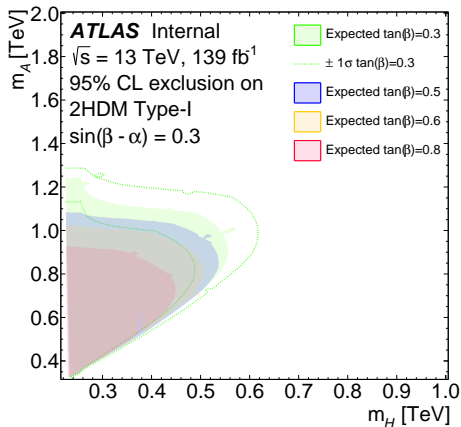
[\[4\] HBSM 2HDM Recommendations](#)

Interpretation in the 2HDM

The exclusion at 95% CL in the 2HDM Type-I



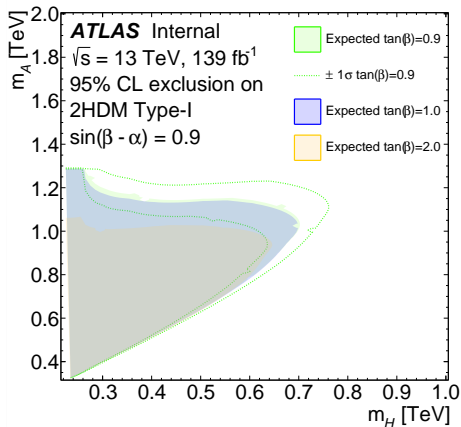
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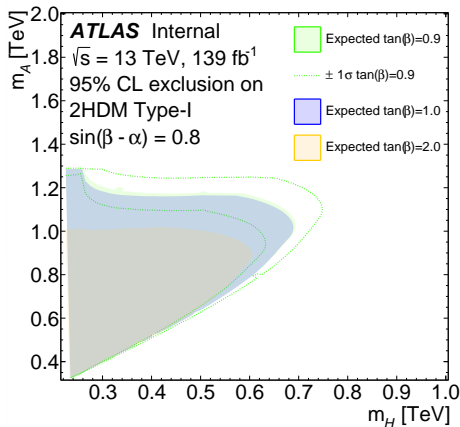
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Interpretation in the 2HDM

The exclusion at 95% CL in the 2HDM Type-I and-II



Type-I



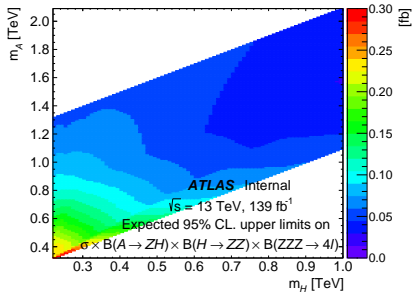
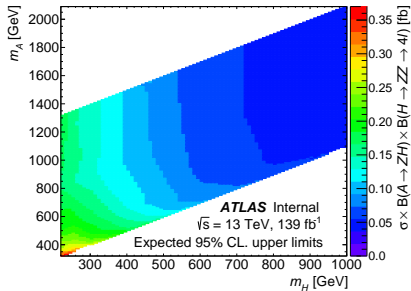
Type-II

- All the technical problems were solved:
 - Using the actual histograms after interpolating them
 - Extract the systematic shape on the signal form the DSCB plus Gaussian
- A new $A \rightarrow Z(\rightarrow 2\ell)H(\rightarrow 2\ell + X)$ is added to the main signal.
- Expected upper limit on the $(m_{A/R}, m_H)$ plane for both models is show; and
- Exclusion in the 2HDM Type-I and Type-II is provided for the $A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow 4\ell + X$ signal.
- We would like to know if everyone is happy to go for un-blinding approval procedures.

- Target: since most conference deadlines have passed, we aim to publish a paper directly.

Additional slides

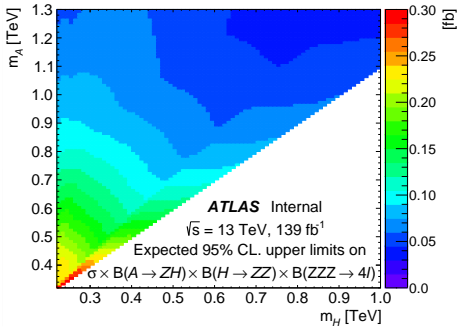
$A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow 4\ell + X$ limit on the full range



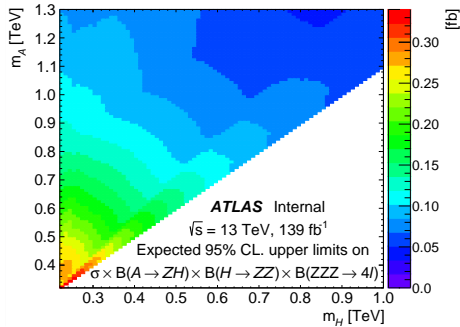
□ old limit(left) and new limit (right)

Additional slides

Upper limits for the $A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow 4\ell + X$



all categories



non-MET categories only