



Di-Higgs Recent Highlights and Summary

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Peter left, but “Higgs” is there..

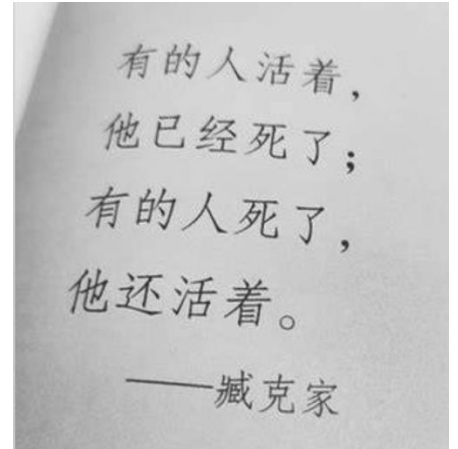
Statement on the death of Professor Peter Higgs

It has been confirmed that Professor Peter Higgs has died at the age of 94. He passed away peacefully at home on Monday 8 April following a short illness.



Professor Peter Higgs following confirmation of the existence of Higgs Boson particle in 2012.

Higgs studies are crucial
to be continued...



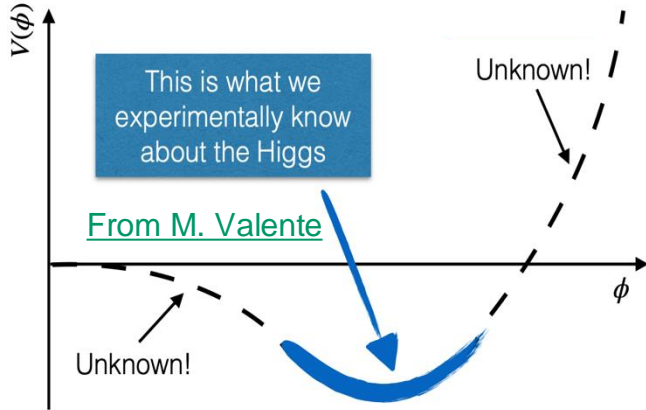


Many Open Questions about the Higgs

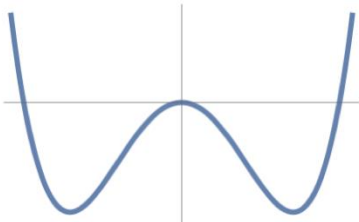
- Are the properties and couplings of the Higgs consistent with the SM prediction? What are its mass, width, rate, etc? } [Talk by Kun Liu](#)
- Can we probe the rare Higgs boson decay? Does it decay to any final states not predicted by the SM ? } [Talk by Jin Wang](#)
- Does additional BSM Higgs boson exist?
- How to access the structure of the Higgs potential? Is it consistent with SM prediction } What I will cover today
- ...



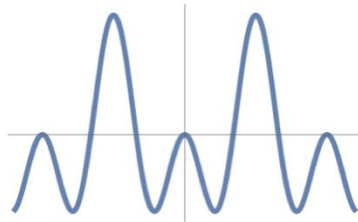
Higgs Potential Not Determined Yet



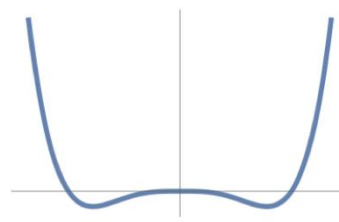
- New physics (e.g. 1st order EW phase transition) can cause a significant deviation from SM prediction
- Measurements of Higgs self-coupling can provide discrimination between different scenarios/models



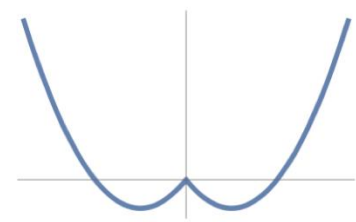
Landau-Ginzburg Higgs



Nambu-Goldstone Higgs



Coleman-Weinberg Higgs



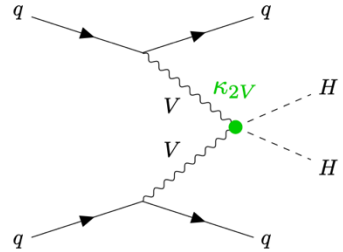
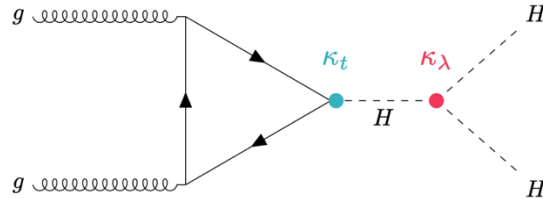
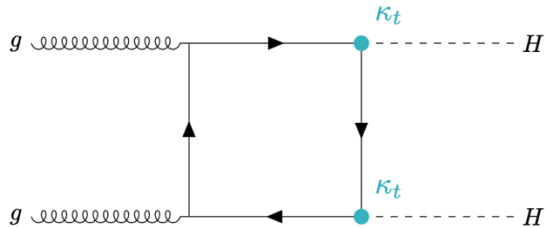
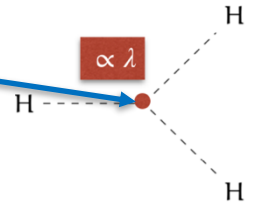
Tadpole-Induced Higgs

Ref: [Phys. Rev. D 101, 075023 \(2020\)](#)



Higgs Self-coupling and HH Production

- Higgs potential: $V(h) = \frac{1}{4}\lambda h^4 + \lambda v h^3 + \lambda v^2 h^2$
 - In SM, $\lambda \approx 0.13$ give $m_H \approx 125$ GeV
- HH productions provide directly access to Higgs self-coupling κ_λ ($\lambda_{HHH}/\lambda_{SM}$)
- SM non-resonant HH: $\sigma_{HH}^{ggF} = 31.05$ fb, $\sigma_{HH}^{VBF} = 1.72$ fb
 - Direct access to κ_λ and Higgs potential
 - VBF: unique process to probe HHVV coupling (κ_{2V})





HH Decay Channels

HH Branching Ratios

	bb	WW	$\tau\tau$	ZZ	$\gamma\gamma$
bb	33%				
WW	25%	4.6%			
$\tau\tau$	7.4%	2.5%	0.39%		
ZZ	3.1%	1.2%	0.34%	0.076%	
$\gamma\gamma$	0.26%	0.10%	0.029%	0.013%	0.0005%

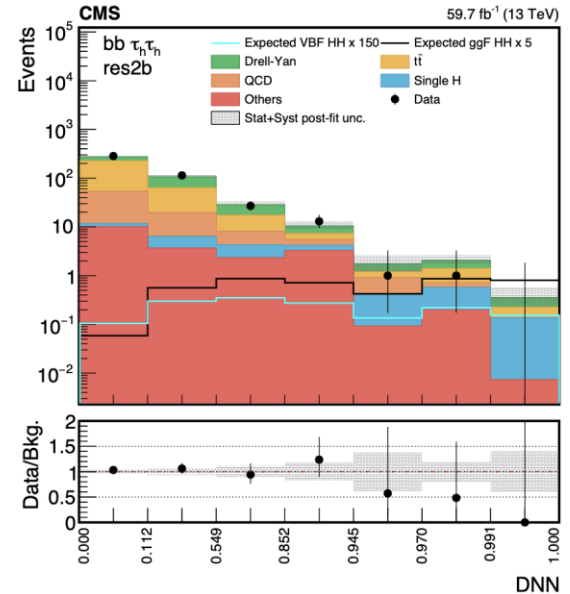
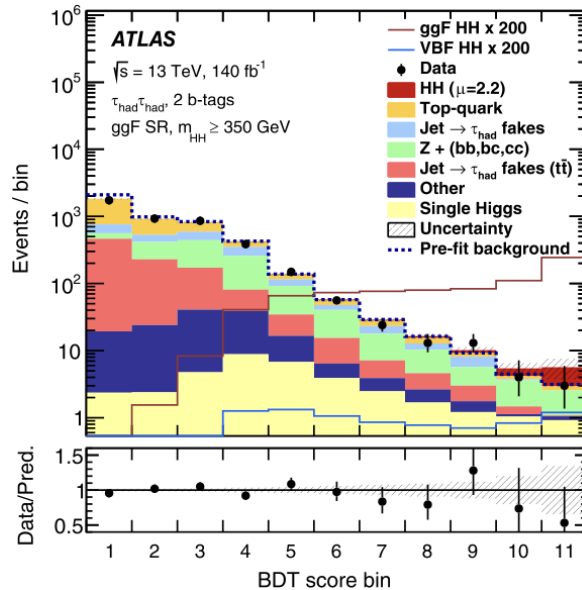
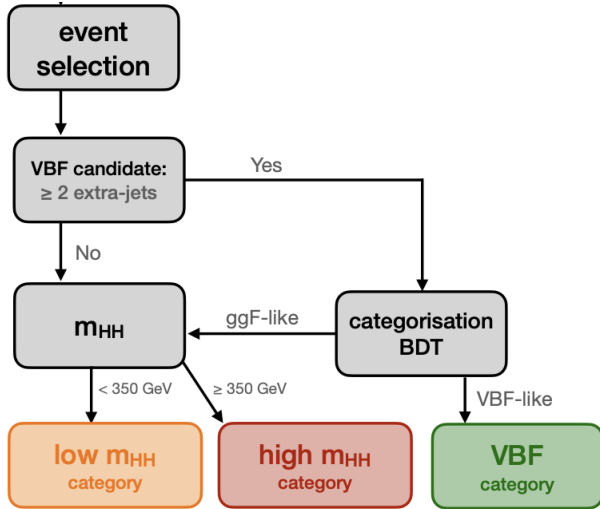
- HH events are rare and precious: ~4k events expected to be produced during Run 2 for each experiment
- $H \rightarrow bb$: large BR but suffering from large bkg.
- $H \rightarrow l/\tau/\gamma$: efficient bkg. reduction
- Complementarity of various decay channels to utilize the HH events as much as we can

Disclaimer: due to time constraint, will only cover the most sensitive or latest results.



HH → bbττ

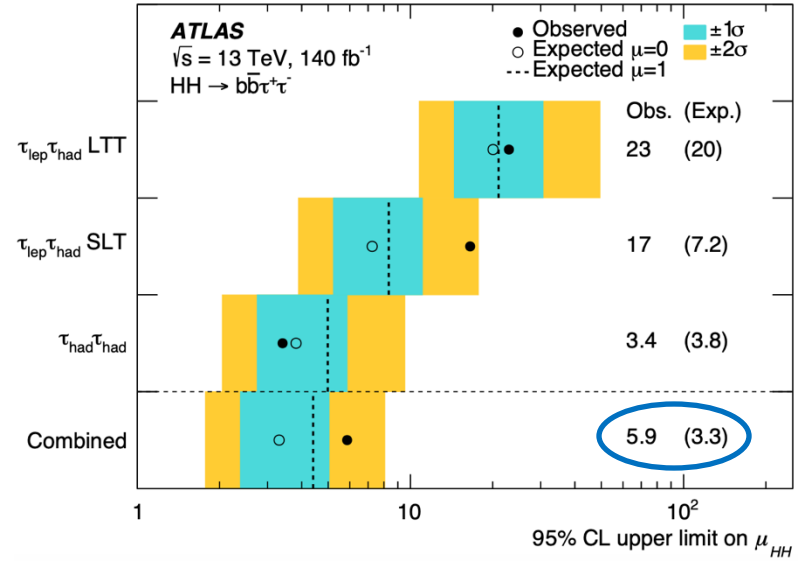
- Moderate BR with relatively clean signature; exploiting two channels depending on τ decay: $\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ and $\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$
- MVA used to maximize sensitivity to both ggF and VBF modes, used as fitting discriminant





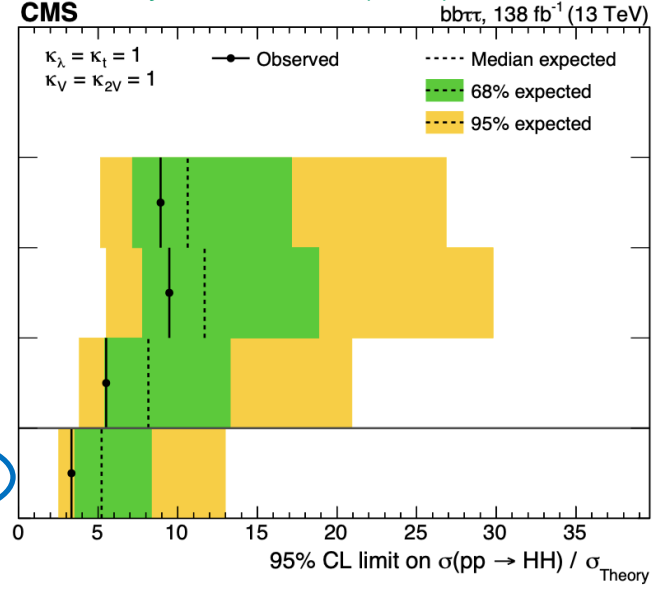
HH → bbττ Results

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Obs. (exp.) constraints
 XS: 5.9 (3.3) $\times \sigma_{SM}$ **→ best expected XS constraint in single channel**
 κ_λ : [-3.1, 9.0] ([-2.5, 9.3])
 κ_{2V} : [-0.5, 2.7] ([-0.2, 2.4])

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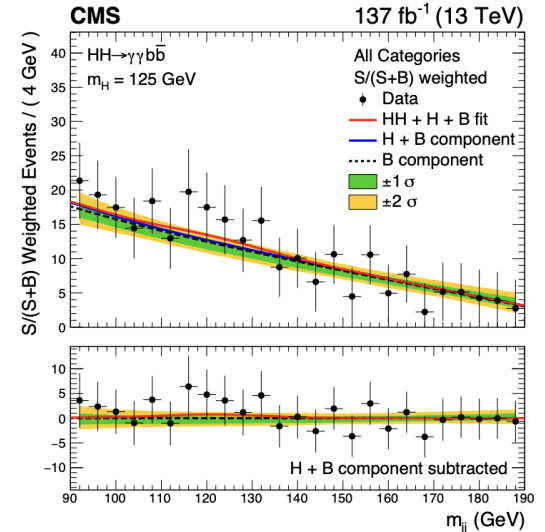
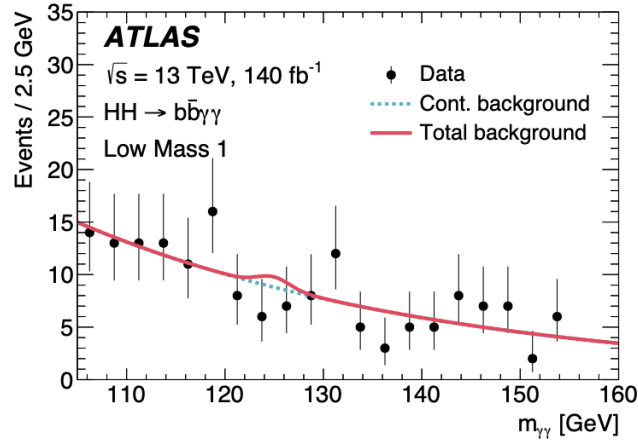
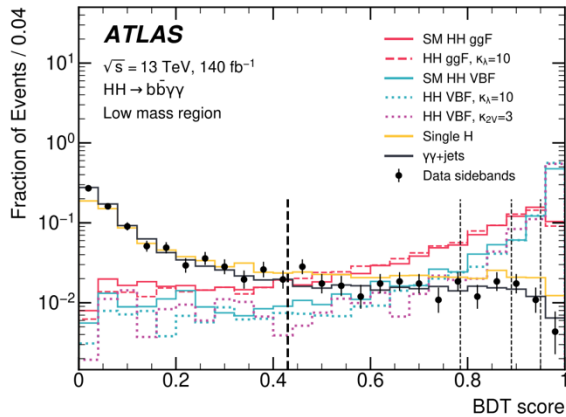


Obs. (exp.) constraints
 XS: 3.3 (5.2) $\times \sigma_{SM}$
 κ_λ : [-1.7, 8.7] ([-2.9, 9.8])
 κ_{2V} : [-0.4, 2.6] ([-0.6, 2.8])



HH → bbγγ

- Low BR, $\gamma\gamma$ provides clean signature and excellent mass resolution
- Di-photon trigger used for both ATLAS and CMS
- Event categorization based on XGBoost BDT and m_{HH}
- ATLAS: fit with $m_{\gamma\gamma}$; CMS: 2D fit with $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ and m_{jj}

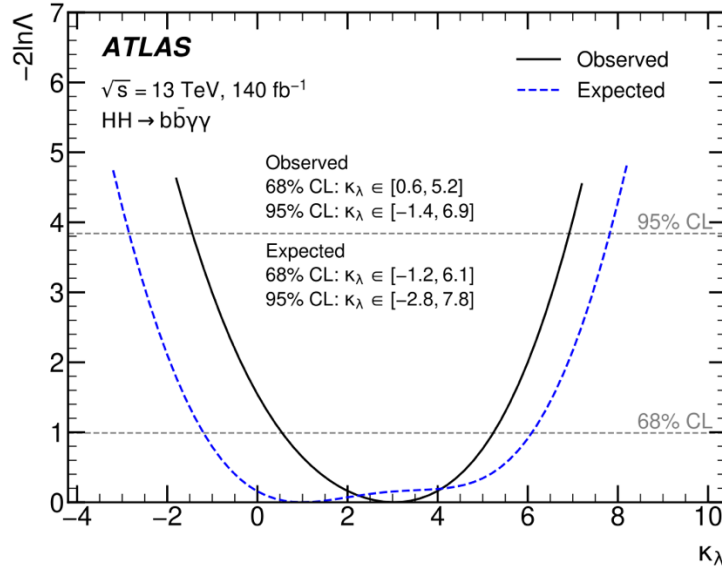




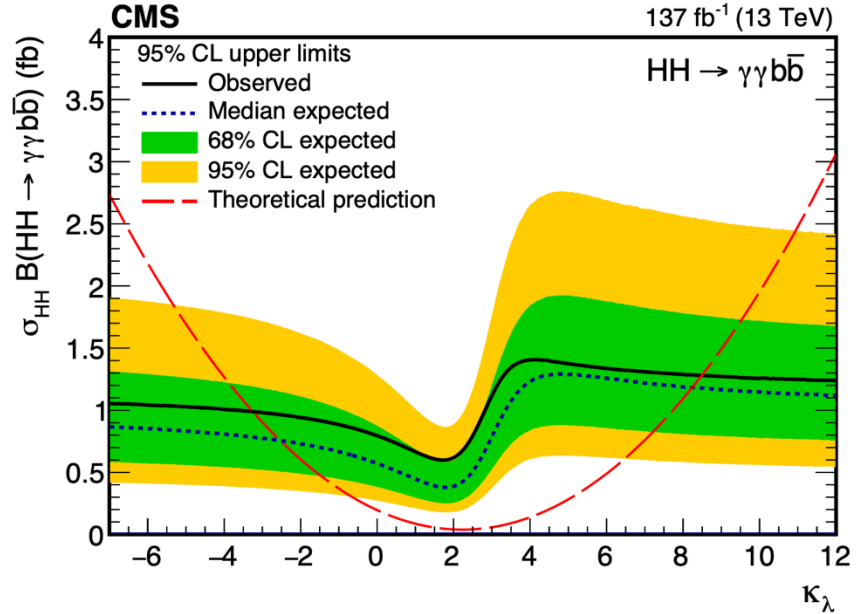
HH → bγγ Results

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Obs. (exp.) constraints
 XS: 4.0 (5.0) $\times \sigma_{SM}$
 κ_λ : [-1.4, 6.9] ([-2.8, 7.8])
 κ_{2V} : [-0.5, 2.7] ([-1.1, 3.3])

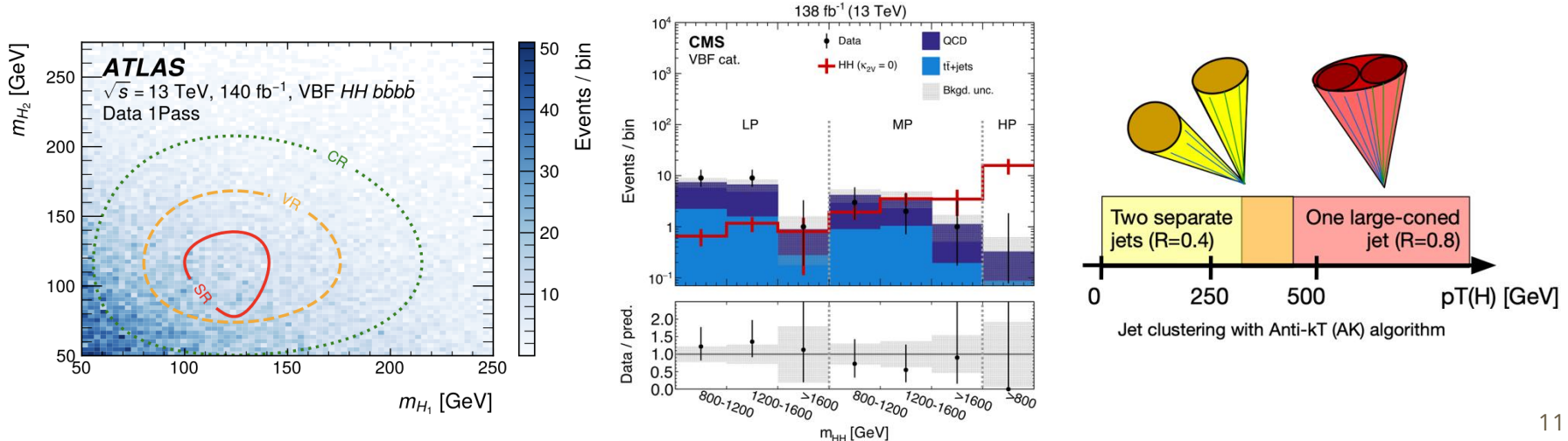


Obs. (exp.) constraints
 XS: 7.7 (5.2) $\times \sigma_{SM}$
 κ_λ : [-3.3, 8.5] ([-2.5, 8.2])
 κ_{2V} : [-1.3, 3.5] ([-0.9, 3.1])



HH → bbbb

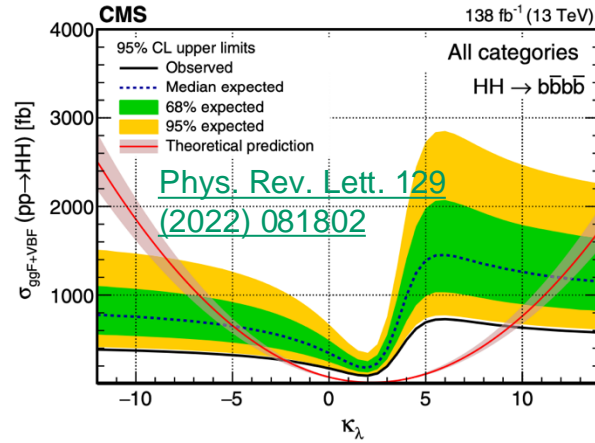
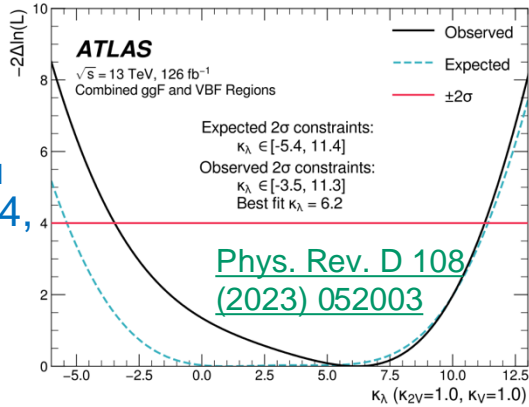
- Largest BR, but suffering from large QCD and $t\bar{t}$ background
- Two scenarios: resolved and boosted (sensitive to VBF topology)
- Resolved: cut-based categorization for ATLAS; CMS categorized events with m_{HH} and BDT
- Boosted: DNN-based tagger for ATLAS; ParticleNet GNN tagger for CMS





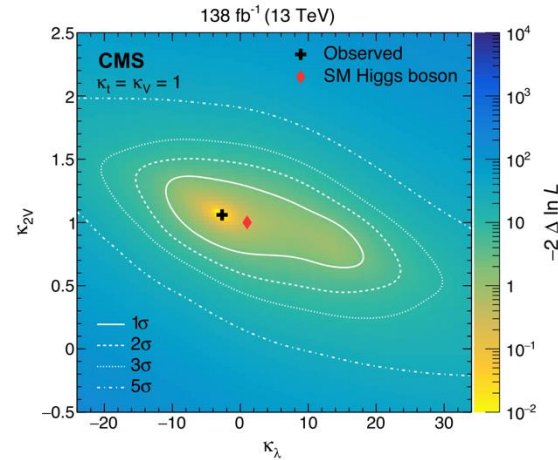
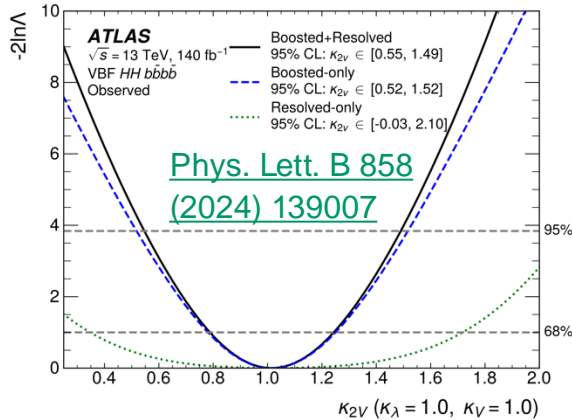
HH → bbbb Results

XS: $4.0 (5.0) \times \sigma_{SM}$
 κ_λ : $[-3.5, 11.3] ([-5.4, 11.4])$



XS: $3.9 (7.8) \times \sigma_{SM}$
 κ_λ : $[-2.3, 9.4] ([-5.0, 12])$

κ_{2V} : $[0.55, 1.49]$
 $([0.37, 1.67])$



κ_{2V} : $[0.62, 1.41]$
 $([0.66, 1.37])$

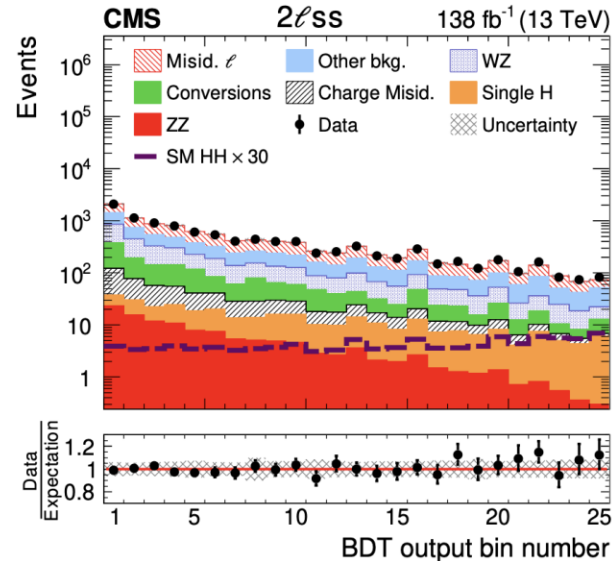
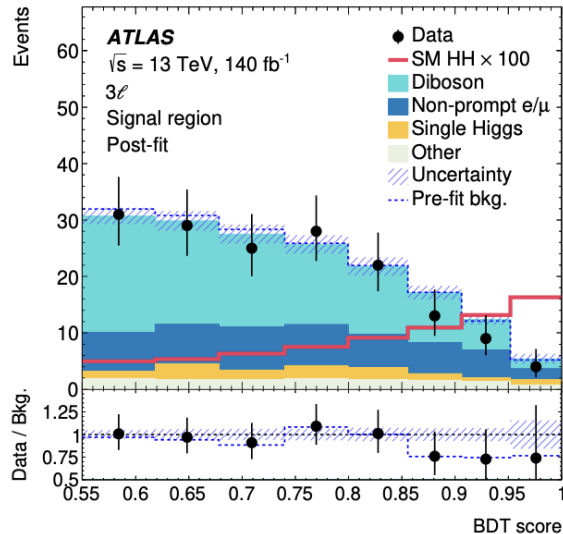
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HH \rightarrow Multilepton

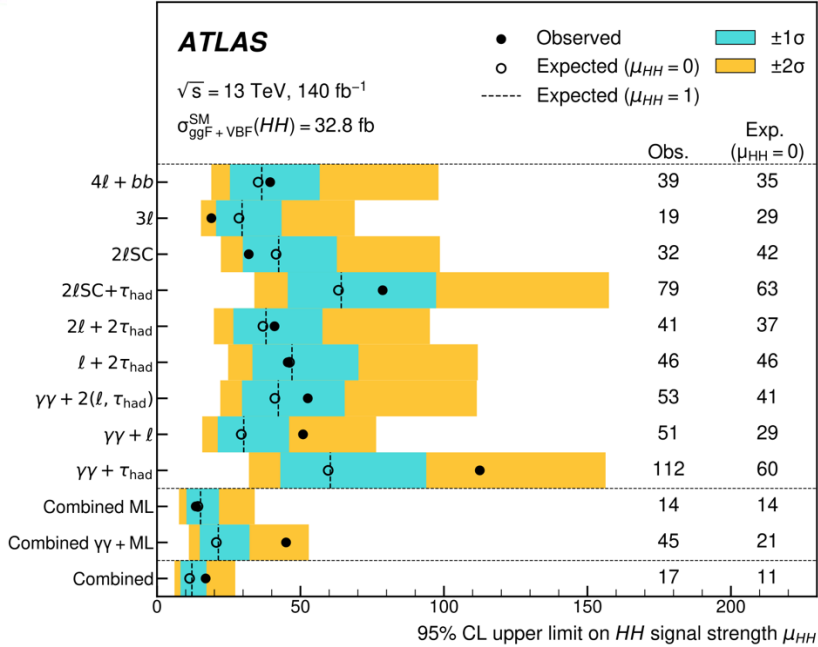
- Complementary way to probe HH with leptons, hadronic taus, and photons
- ATLAS: targeting HH \rightarrow bbZZ, 4V ($V = W/Z$), $VV\tau\tau$, 4τ , $\gamma\gamma VV$ and $\gamma\gamma\tau\tau$
- CMS: targeting HH \rightarrow WW^*WW^* , $WW^*\tau\tau$, and $\tau\tau\tau\tau$
- Both experiments utilized MVA to enhance signal sensitivity





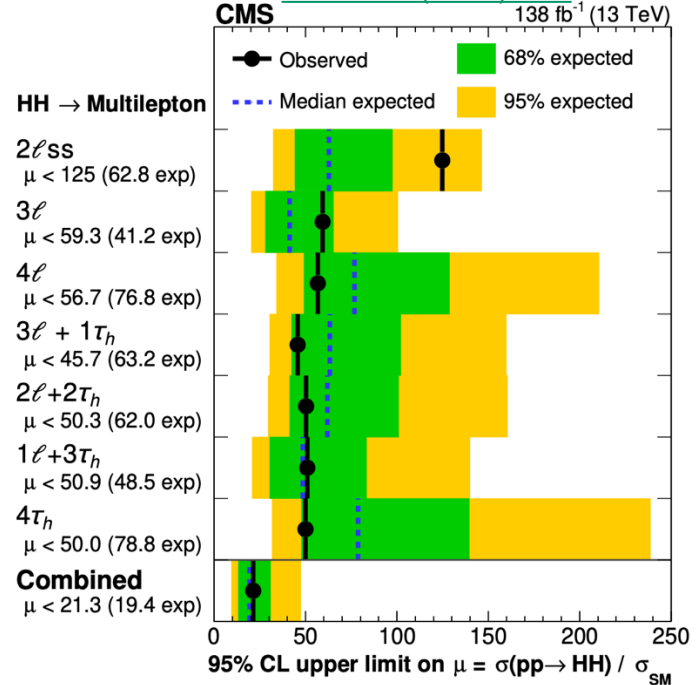
HH → Multilepton Results

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XS limit: 17 (11) × σ_{SM}
 κ_λ : [-6.2, 11.6] ([-4.5, 9.6])
 κ_{2V} : [-2.5, 4.6] ([-1.9, 4.1])

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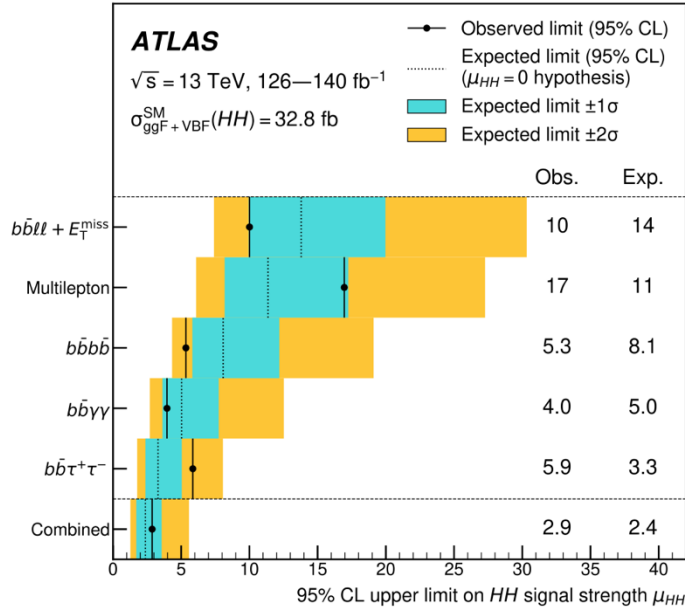
XS limit: 21.3 (19.4) × σ_{SM}
 κ_λ : [-6.9, 11.1] ([-6.9, 11.7])



HH Combination

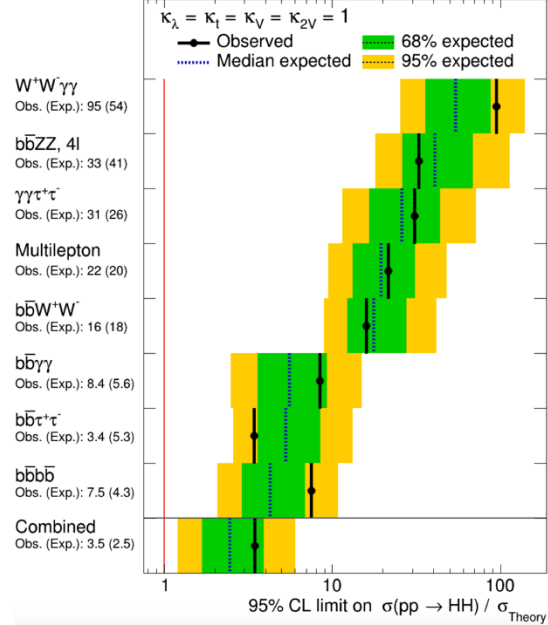
- Combination of the major decay channels to maximize sensitivity

[Phys. Rev. Lett. 133 \(2024\) 101801](#)



XS limit: $2.9 (2.4) \times \sigma_{SM}$
 κ_{λ} : $[-1.2, 7.2]$ ($[-1.6, 7.2]$)
 κ_{2V} : $[0.6, 1.5]$ ($[0.4, 1.6]$)

CMS Preliminary 138 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



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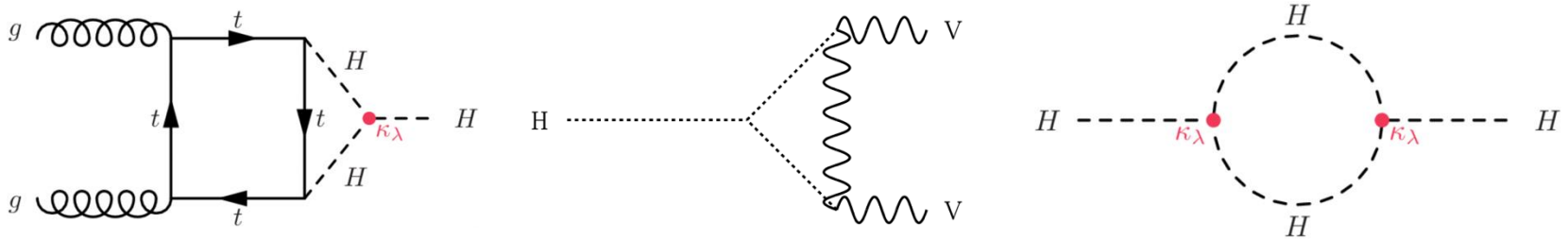
XS limit: $3.5 (2.5) \times \sigma_{SM}$
 κ_{λ} : $[-1.4, 7.0]$ ($[-1, 7.2]$)
 κ_{2V} : $[0.6, 1.4]$ ($[0.7, 1.4]$)

best expected constraint



κ_λ Constraint from Single Higgs

- κ_λ also can be probed through NLO EW correction of single Higgs processes (e.g. in the production, decay, Higgs self-energy)

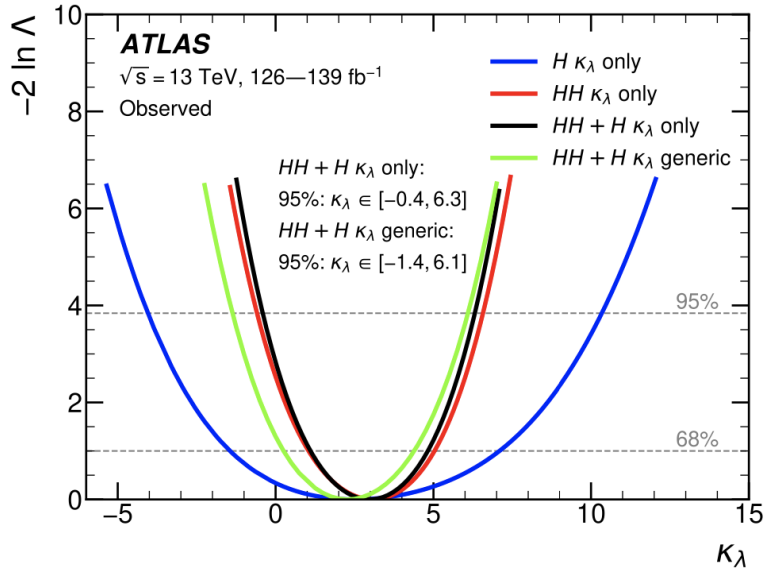


- Combination of HH and single Higgs is expected to provide the most sensitive results of κ_λ



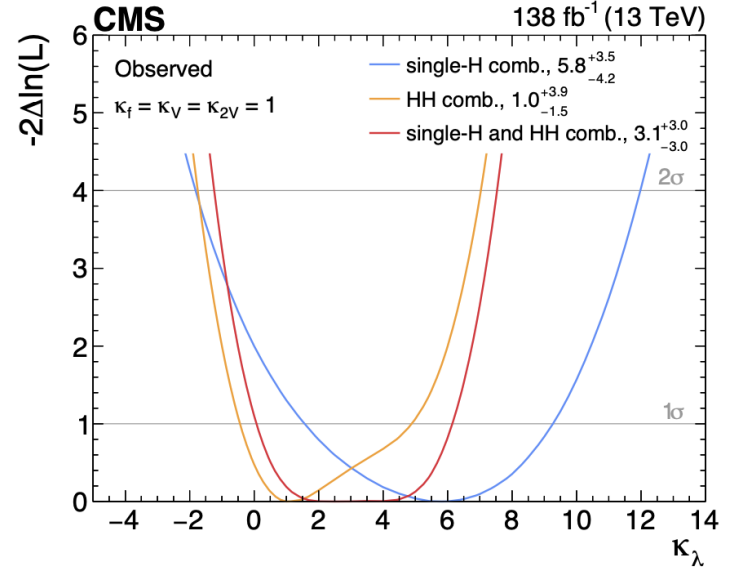
Results from HH+H Combination

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Obs. (exp.) κ_λ constraint: [-0.4, 6.3]
 ([-1.9, 7.6])

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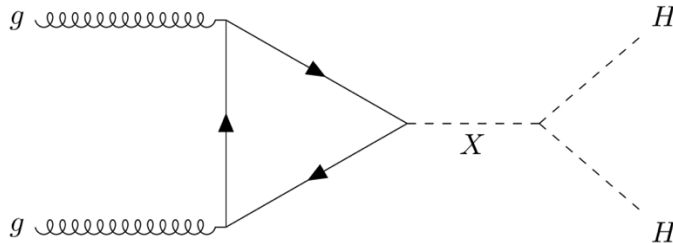


Obs. (exp.) κ_λ constraint: [-1.2, 7.5]
 ([-2.0, 7.7])



Search for Resonant HH Production

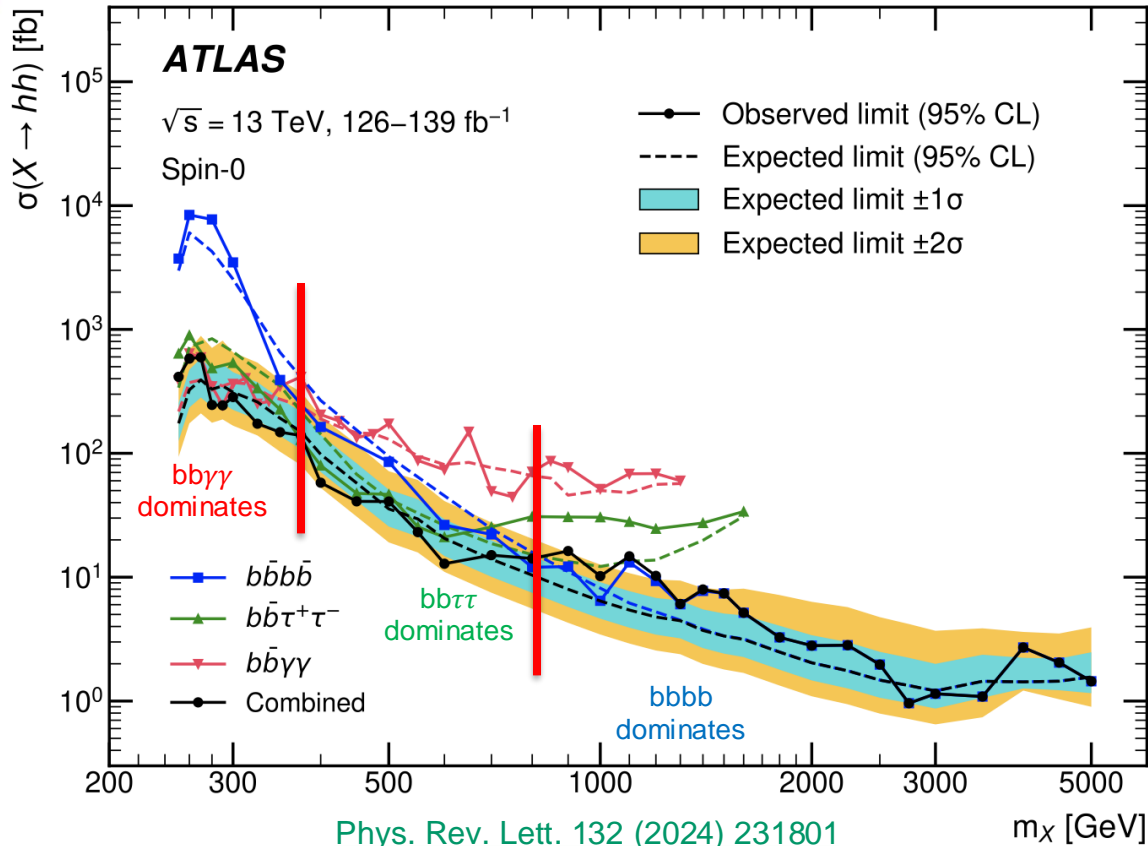
- Various BSM theories predict heavy resonances which can decay into Higgs bosons pair, such as
 - Spin-0 heavy scalars
 - Spin-2 gravitons from the Randall–Sundrum model
- ATLAS performed a combination of $HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$, $bb\gamma\gamma$, $bbbb$
- CMS combination also included $bbWW$ and multilepton channels



Due to time constraint, will only show the combination results of searching $ggF X \rightarrow HH$



ATLAS $X \rightarrow HH$ Combination Result

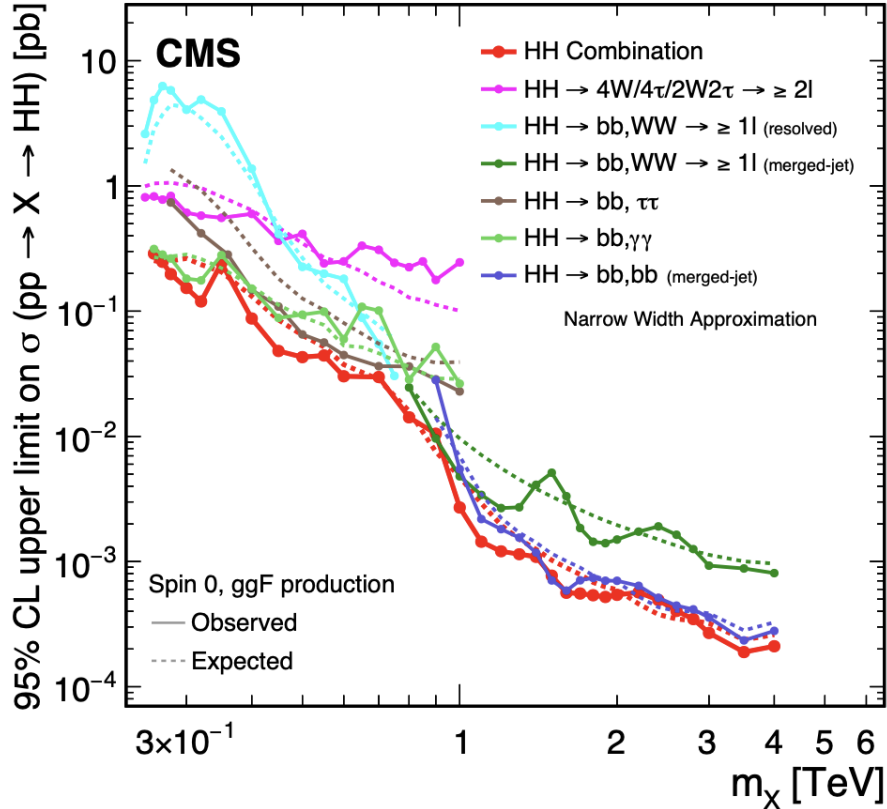


No statistically significant excess found, largest excess at 1.1 TeV: local (global) significance is 3.3σ (2.1σ)



CMS $X \rightarrow HH$ Combination Result

138 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



No deviation $>2\sigma$ from prediction is observed
Strongest observed limits to date

[Talk by Zhenxuan Zhang](#)



HL-LHC Projection for ATLAS $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau$

$L_{\text{int}} = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$b\bar{b}\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$	$b\bar{b}\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$	Combination
No syst. unc.	2.3	4.0	4.6
Baseline	1.8	3.1	3.5
Baseline with MC luminosity scaled	1.7	3.0	3.4
MC luminosity scaled	1.6	2.4	2.7
Theoretical unc. halved	1.0	1.9	2.2
Run 2 syst. unc.	0.9	1.8	1.9

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HHH coupling modifier κ_λ	95% confidence interval	
	2000 fb^{-1}	3000 fb^{-1}
No syst. unc.	[0.1, 2.4] \cup [4.9, 5.9]	[0.3, 2.1]
Baseline	[-0.2, 6.7]	[-0.1, 2.7] \cup [4.5, 6.4]
Baseline with MC luminosity scaled	[-0.3, 6.8]	[-0.1, 2.9] \cup [4.3, 6.5]
MC luminosity scaled	[-0.6, 7.1]	[-0.5, 6.8]
Theoretical unc. halved	[-0.5, 7.3]	[-0.4, 7.2]
Run 2 syst. unc.	[-0.8, 7.6]	[-0.7, 7.5]



HL-LHC projection of $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$ from 2015

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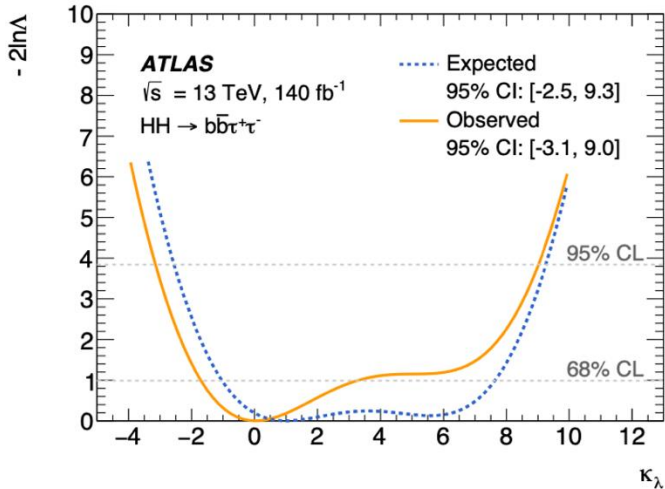
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We Surpassed this with just Run-2 Data

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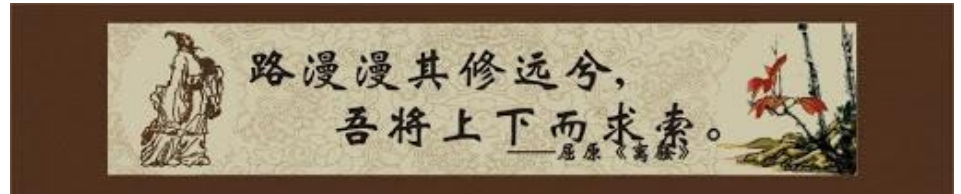


Exp. limit on XS: $3.3 \times \sigma_{SM}$
Exp. κ_λ constraint: $-2.5 \leq \kappa_\lambda \leq 9.3$
The HL-LHC projection (3 ab^{-1}) in 2015 was surpassed with just 140 fb^{-1} Run-2 data



Summary

- Presented the latest HH results based on the Run 2 dataset at LHC: no deviation from SM prediction seen, stringent constraints obtained for HH XS and κ_λ
- Many other interesting results (VHH, HHH, EFT interpretation, etc) can be seen in the parallel sessions (apologize for not covering them today)
- Run 3 and HL-LHC provide more room for exploring the Higgs potential!





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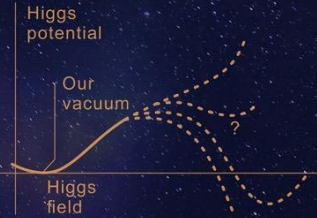
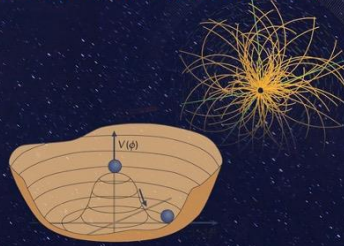
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More discussions on Higgs potential:

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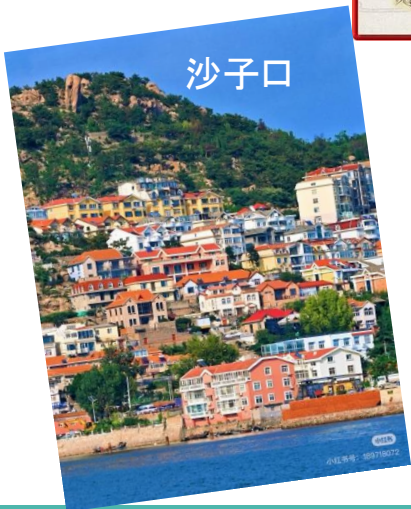
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A warm welcome to Qingdao! Enjoy your stay!!



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Backup



HL-LHC Projection

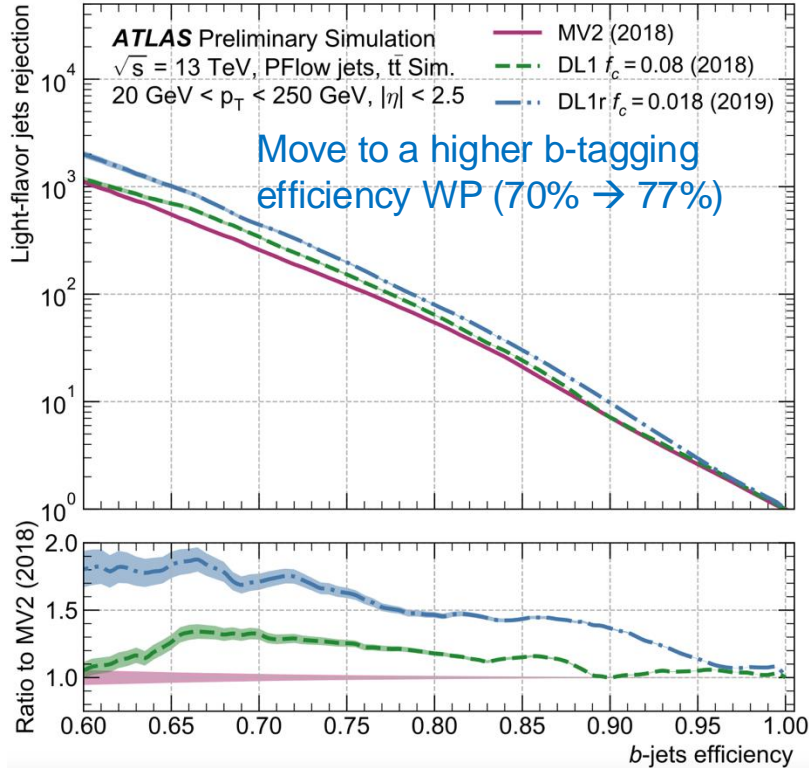
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Uncertainty scenario	Significance [σ]			
	$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	$b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$	$b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$	Combination
No syst. unc.	2.3	4.0	1.8	4.9
Baseline	2.2	2.8	0.99	3.4
Theoretical unc. halved	1.1	1.7	0.65	2.1
Run 2 syst. unc.	1.1	1.5	0.65	1.9

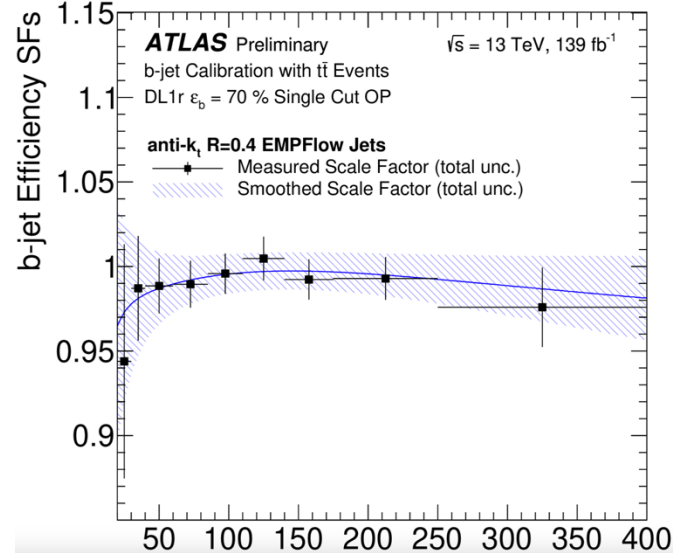
Uncertainty scenario	κ_λ 68% CI	κ_λ 95% CI
No syst. unc.	[0.7, 1.4]	[0.3, 1.9]
Baseline	[0.5, 1.6]	[0.0, 2.5]
Theoretical unc. halved	[0.3, 2.2]	[-0.3, 5.5]
Run 2 syst. unc.	[0.1, 2.4]	[-0.6, 5.6]



Flavor Tagging Improvement

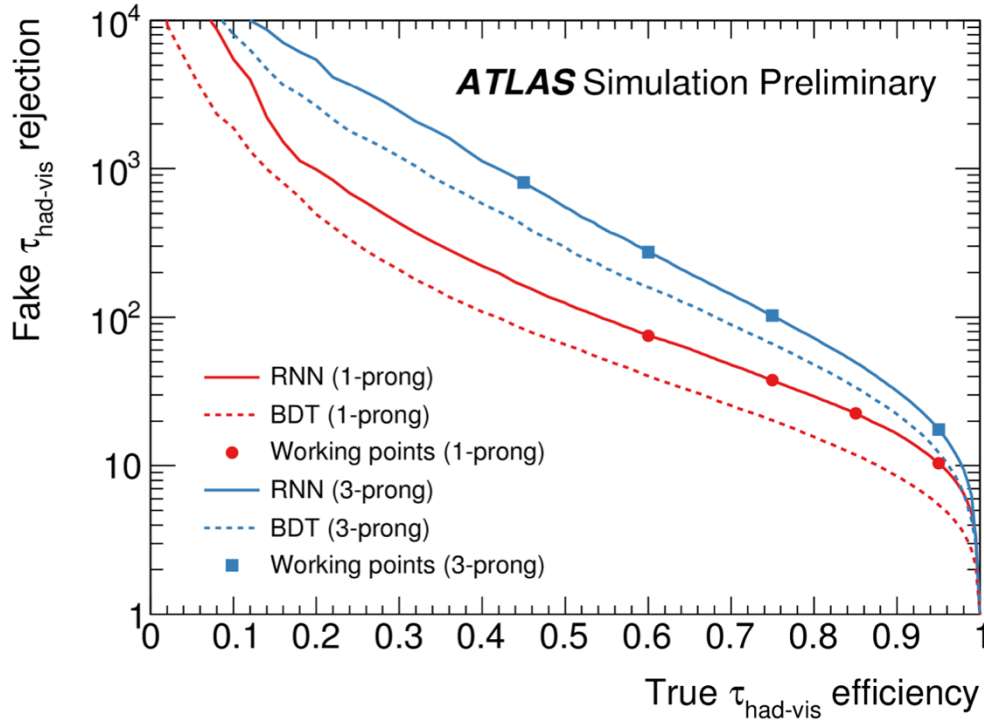


Likelihood-based calibration provides >2x reduction in uncertainties





τ Identification Improvement

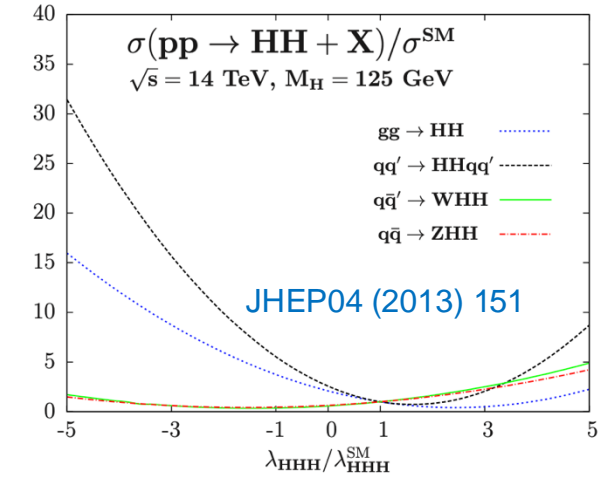


RNN ID shows 2x improvement compared with BDT
Moved from “medium” to “loose” WP

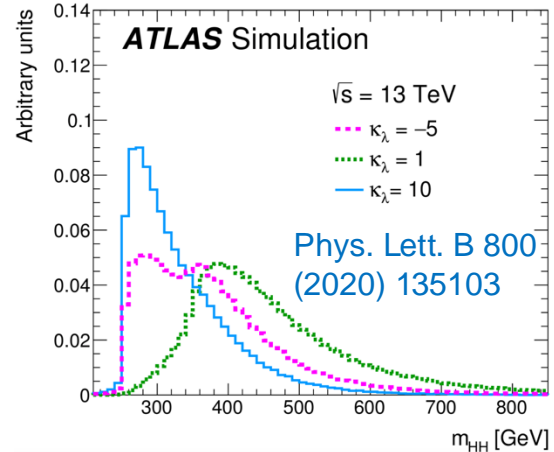
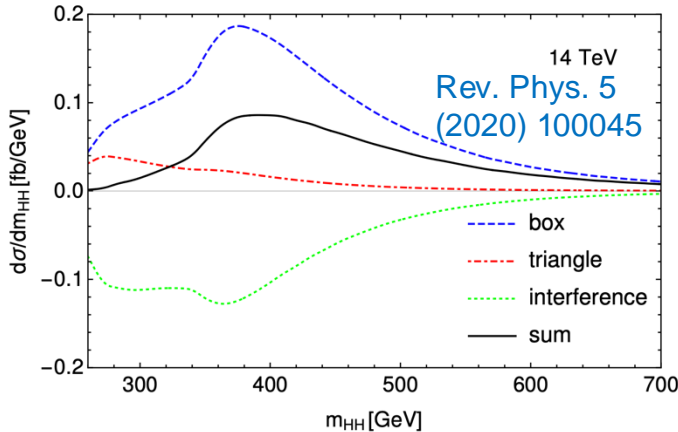
Per-tau efficiency:
1-prong: 75% \rightarrow 85%
3-prong: 60% \rightarrow 75%



BSM Physics in HH Processes



Anomalous κ_λ would result in enhanced HH XS and modified kinematics of the process due to different contributions and interference of diagrams





κ_λ -dependence of XS and BR

