

Unbinned fit in $Z\gamma$ boosted analysis

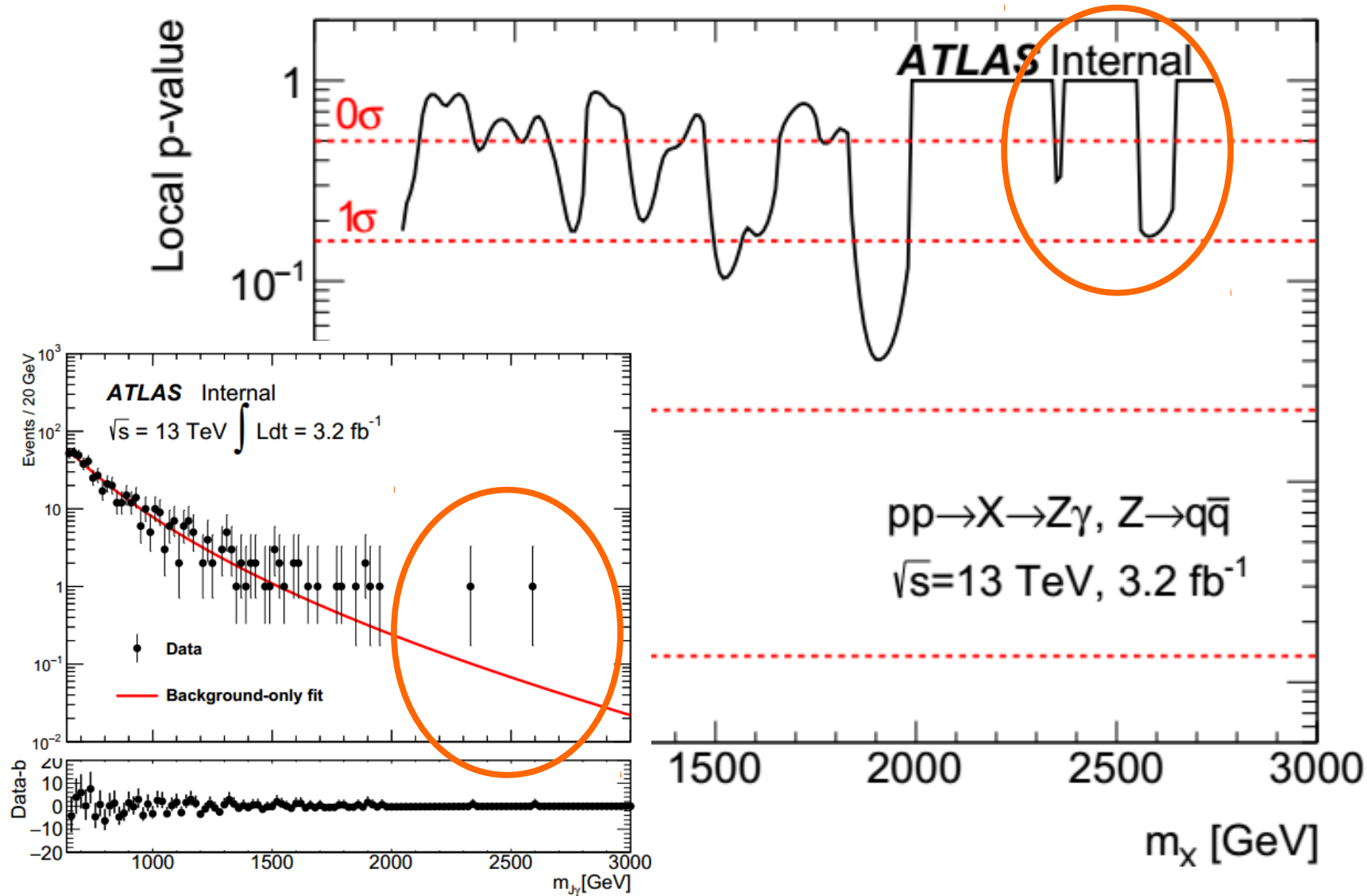
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p0 issue @ 2.6TeV

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Bill asked:

Fig 13 b shows p-values where the event at 2.35 TeV makes a delta-function spike, while that at 2.6 TeV is much broader.



La cause et la solution

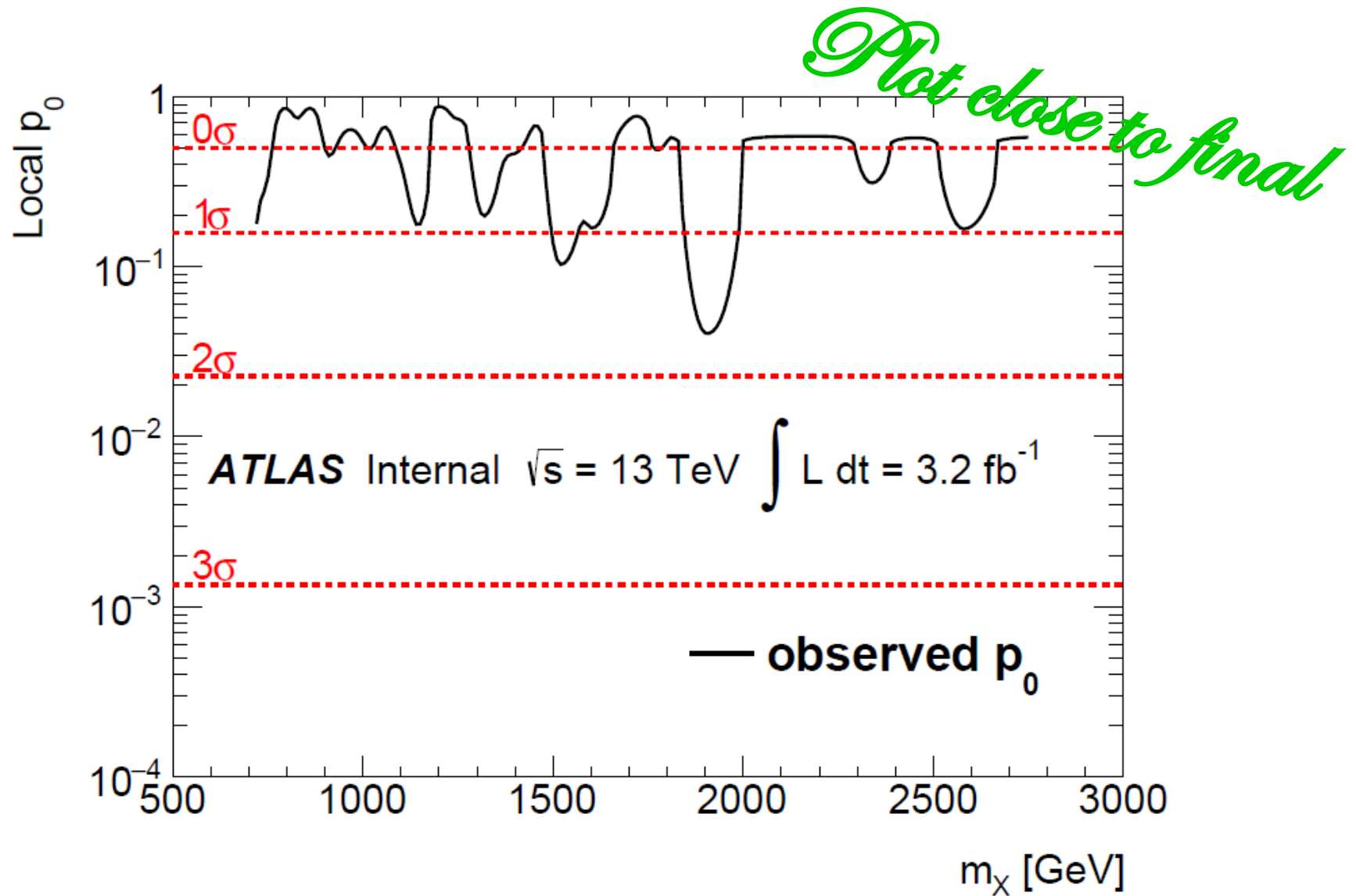
When fitting to the points with no data observed, the signal strength μ can be pushed to a very negative number to balance the expected background

In high mass where observed data is few, one fits at a certain mass point, i.e. $\mu \cdot S + B = 0$, which is totally OK; BUT $\mu \cdot S + B$ goes to negative in higher mass points, where the expected background is small (at the tail of power-law)

Negative pdf value causes fit failures and prevents proper calculation of TS, resulting in wrong p_0 as you see in high mass

We implemented Enrique's suggestion on limiting the negative boundary of μ . This effectively protected pdf values.

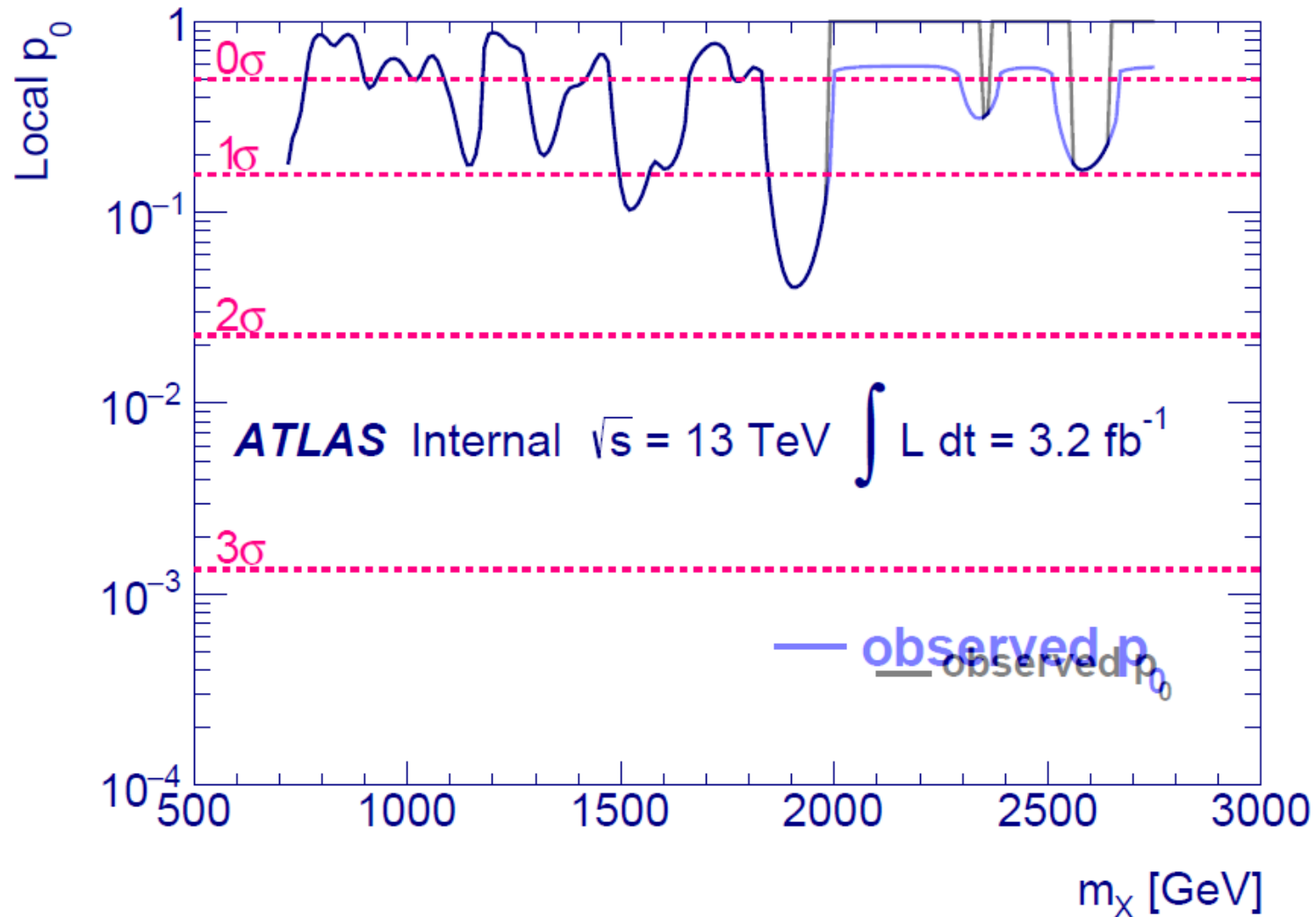
Therefore, μ is negatively limited in high mass region



There is no failure in Minuit now :)
Fit is healthy and p_0 curve looks correct

Check with the last picture

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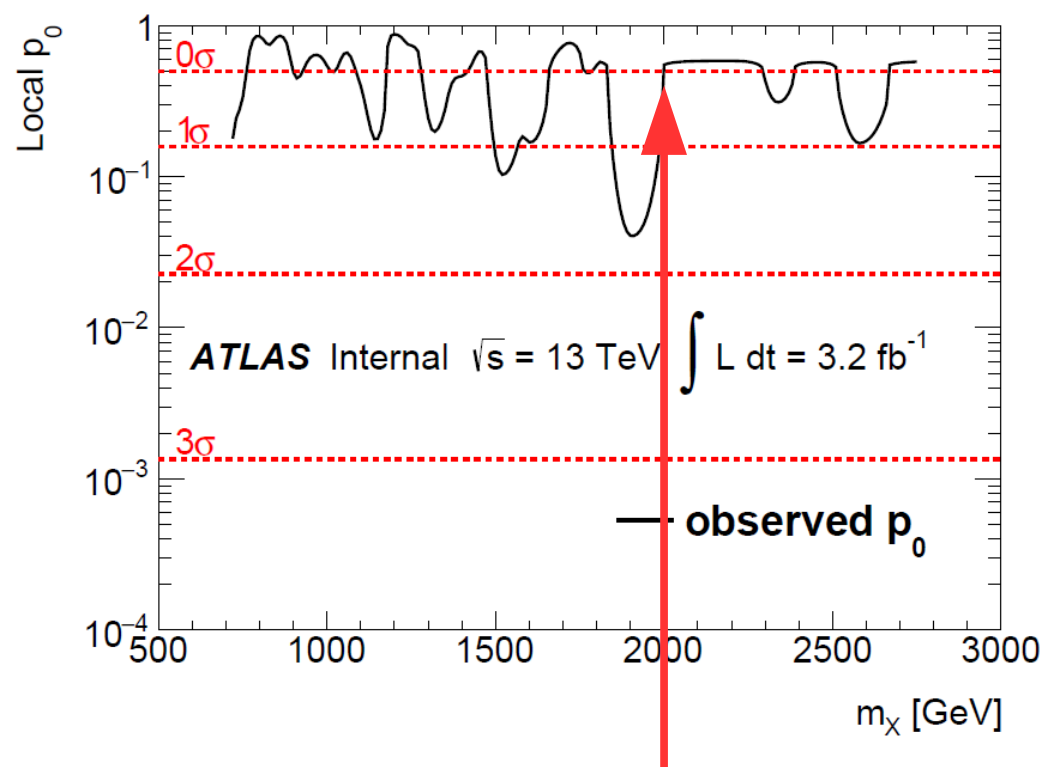
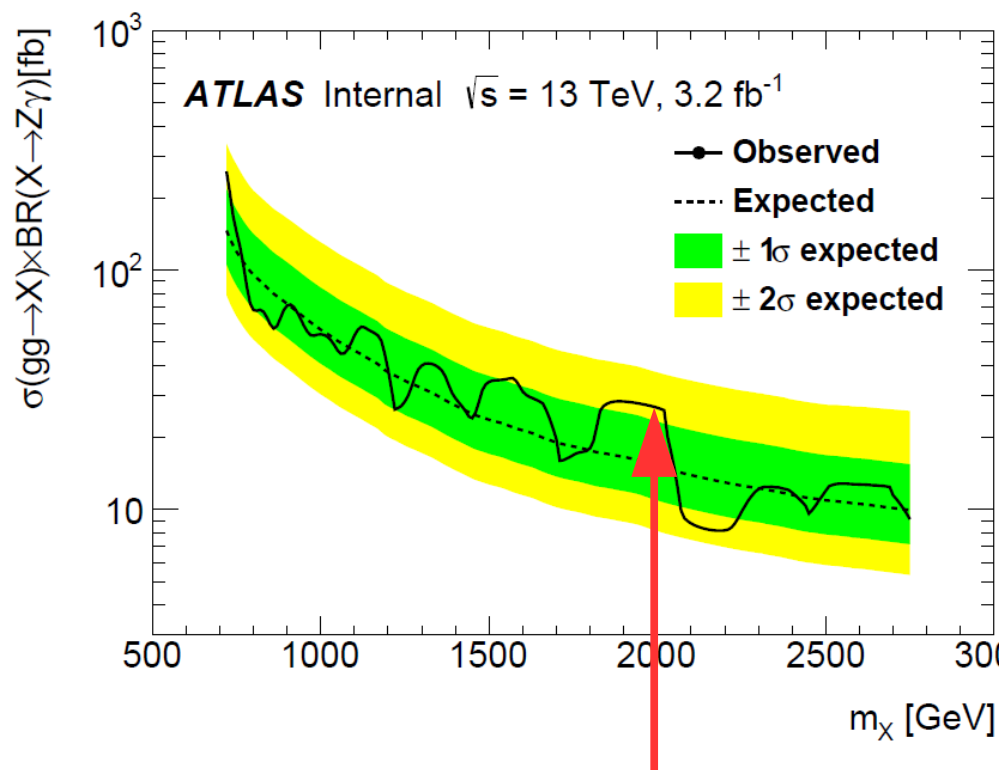


The last p_0 curve is black on bottom
The new p_0 curve is bleu on top

Another question from Bill

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Also, at 2 TeV the p -value of the 1.9 TeV bump falls back to 1 - no sign of it at all. While in the limit plot, fig 4, there is a remnant nearly to 2.1 TeV - but a flat 2.2 sigma from 1.9 to 2 TeV, which looks very different from the p -value.

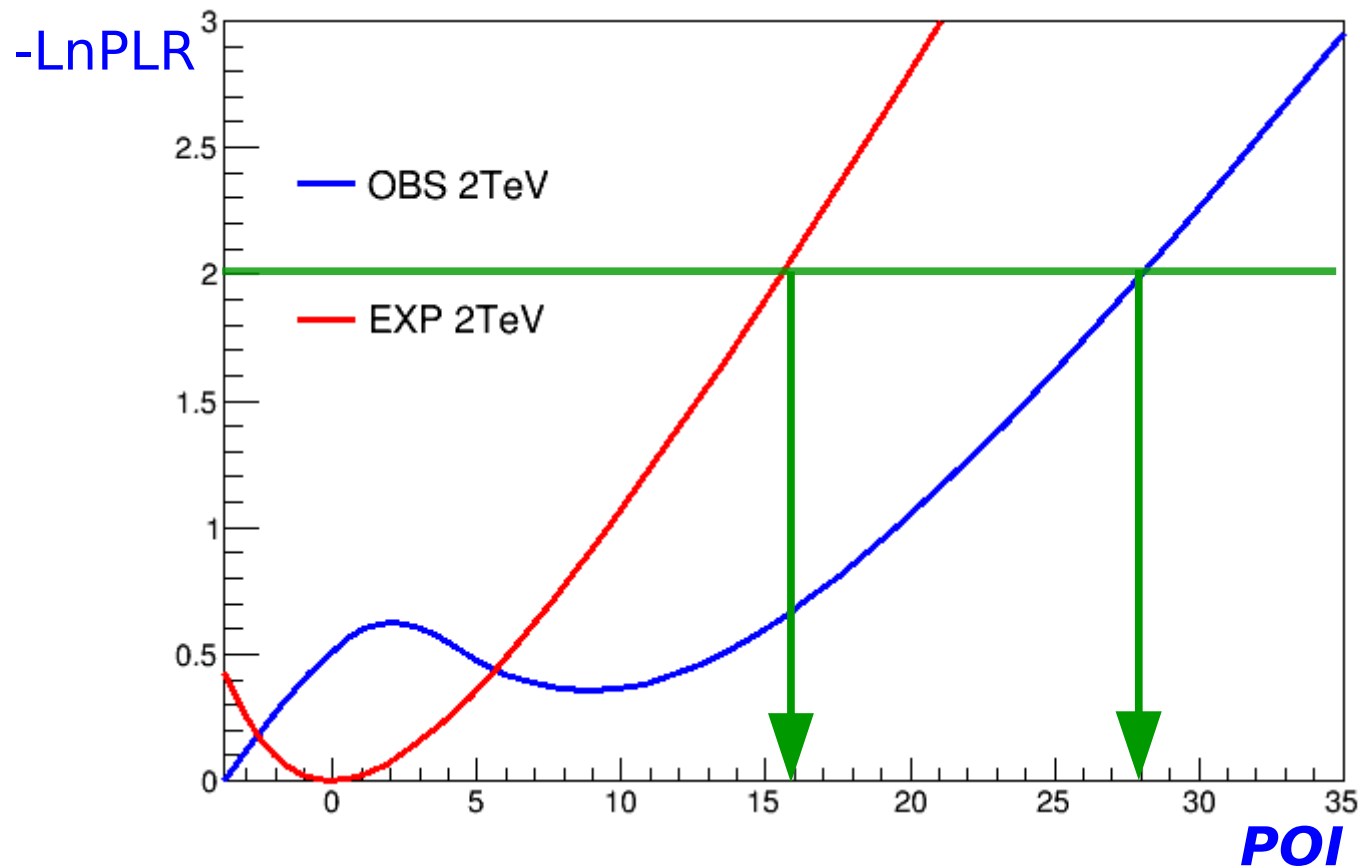


Likelihood

Best fitted POI is smaller in obs than in exp due to data deficit

But likelihood curve is broader in obs than in exp

Thus, limit is higher in obs than in exp



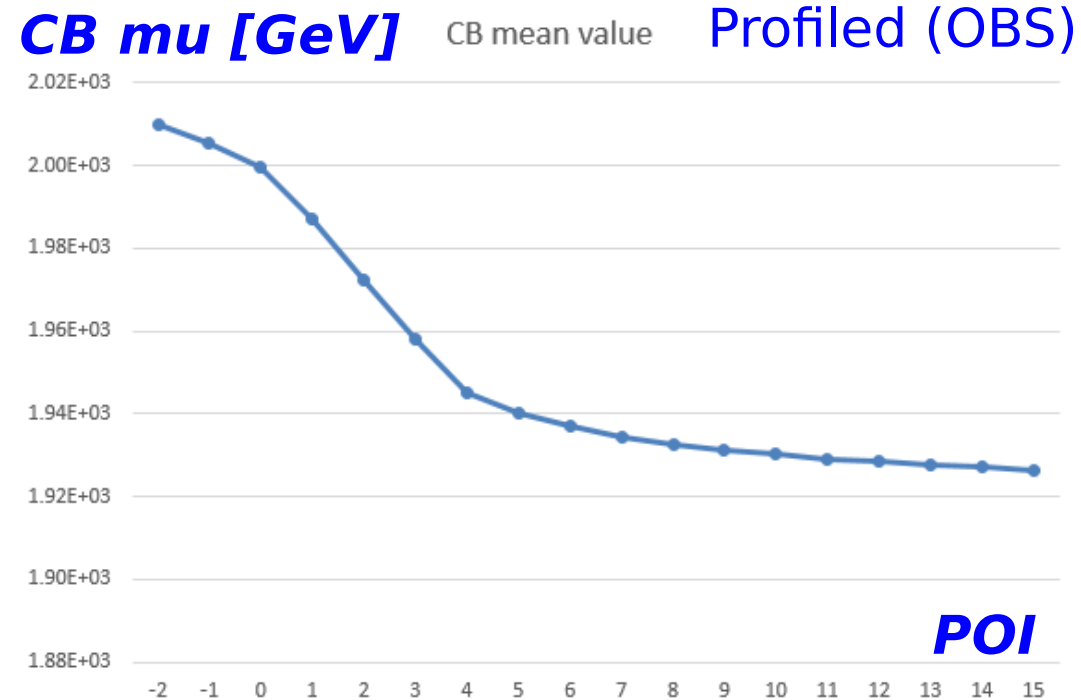
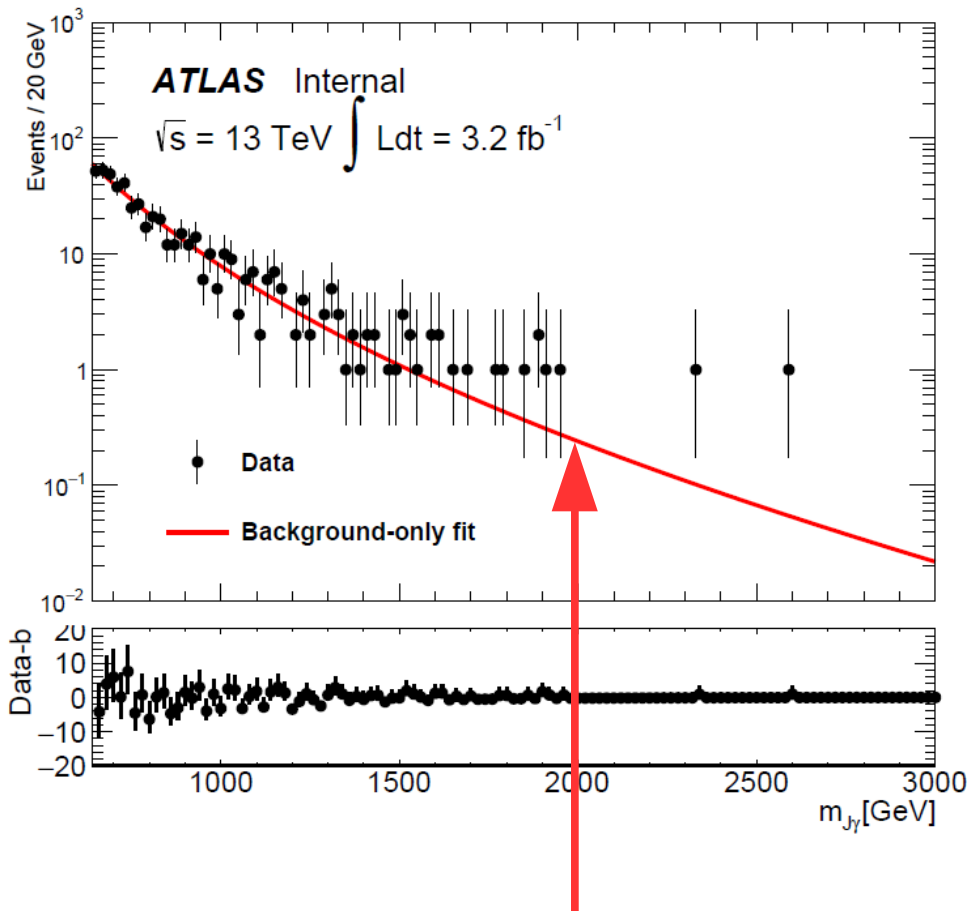
So far Bill's question is answered

But there is a local minimum in obs → explained in next page

Local minimum is due to data

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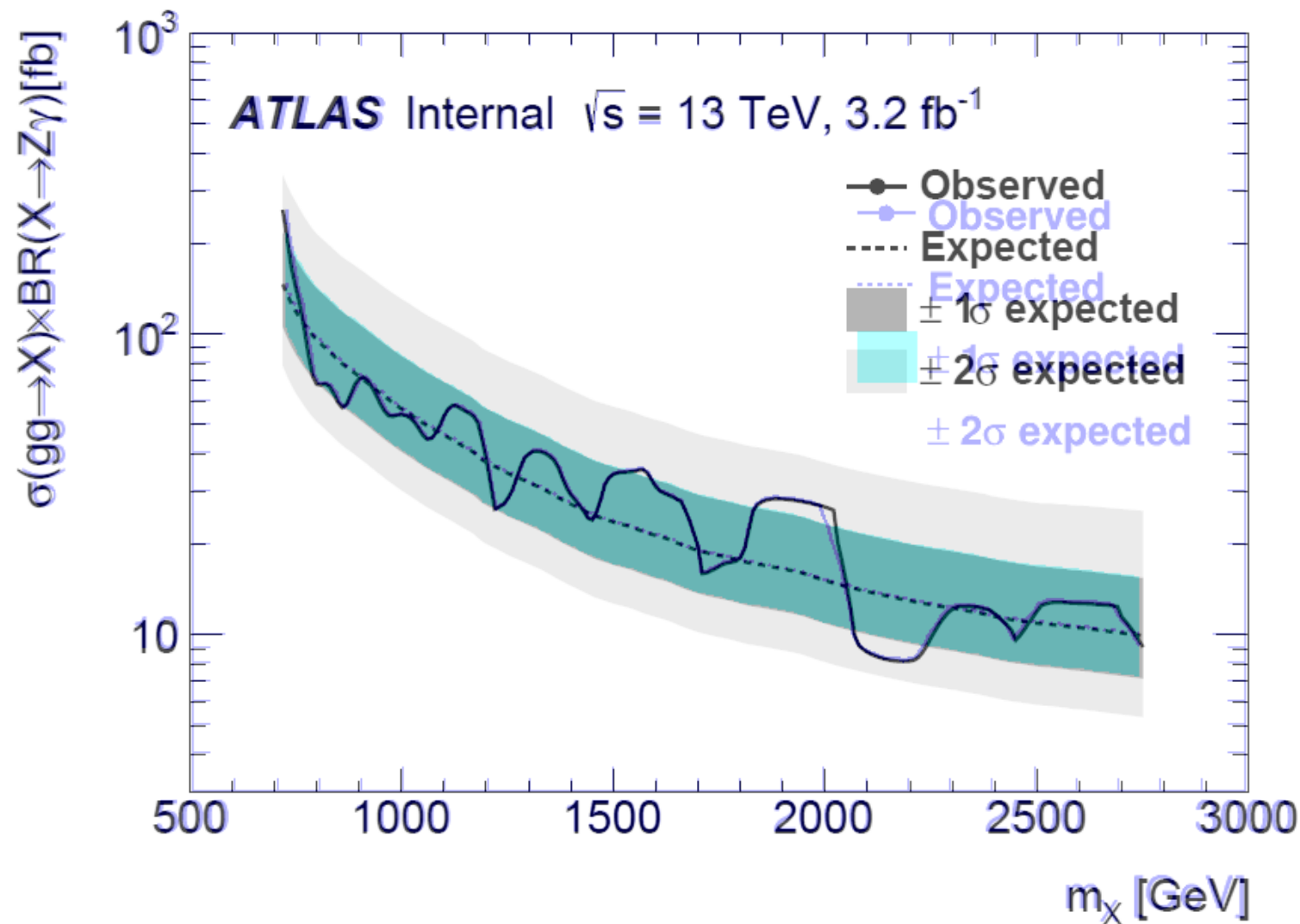
There is NO data; best fit is a negative μ
This is the global minimum in likelihood curve



At 2TeV, minimize NLL as a func of POI
CB mean value is pulled to data
excess at 1.93TeV
There we have a local minimum
And this makes PLR curve broader

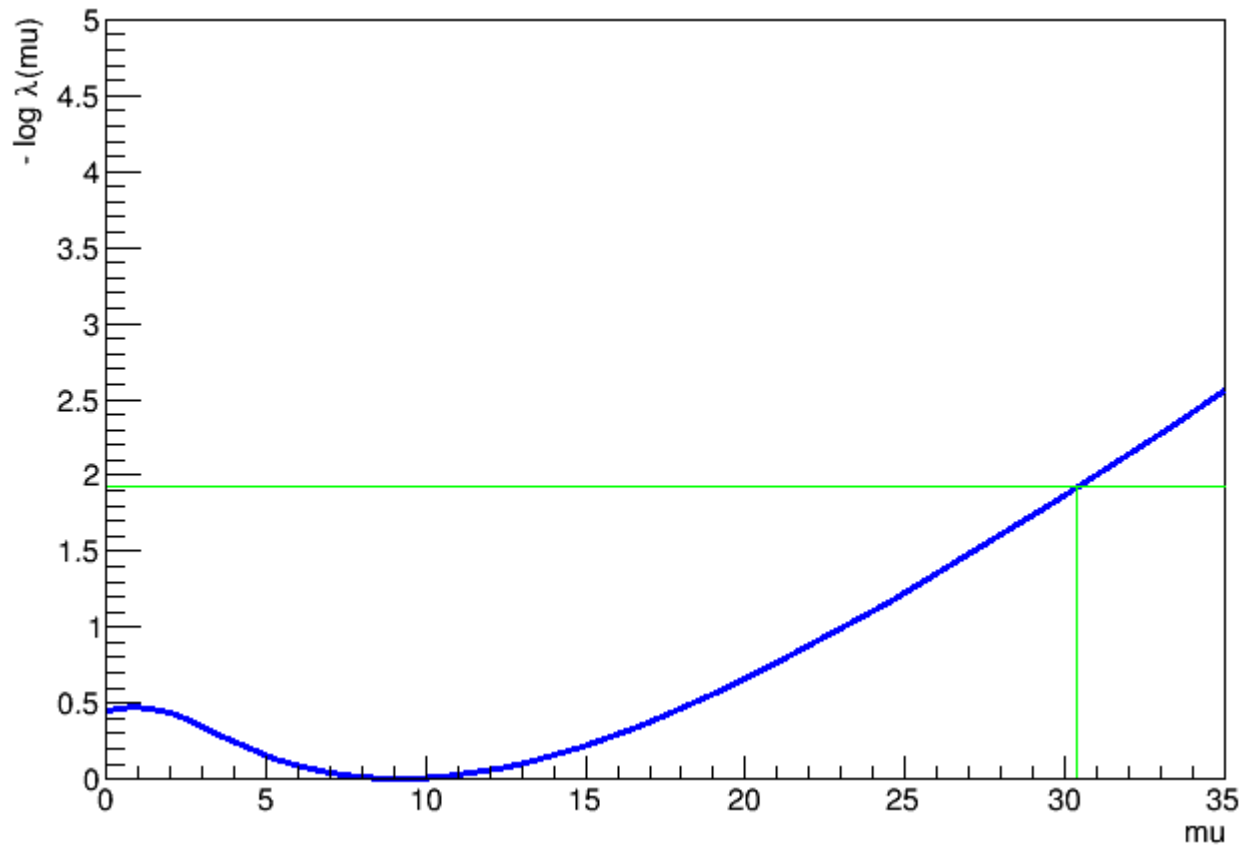
Linear interpolation

1990-2070, points in between are linearly interpolated (obs limits)



1990

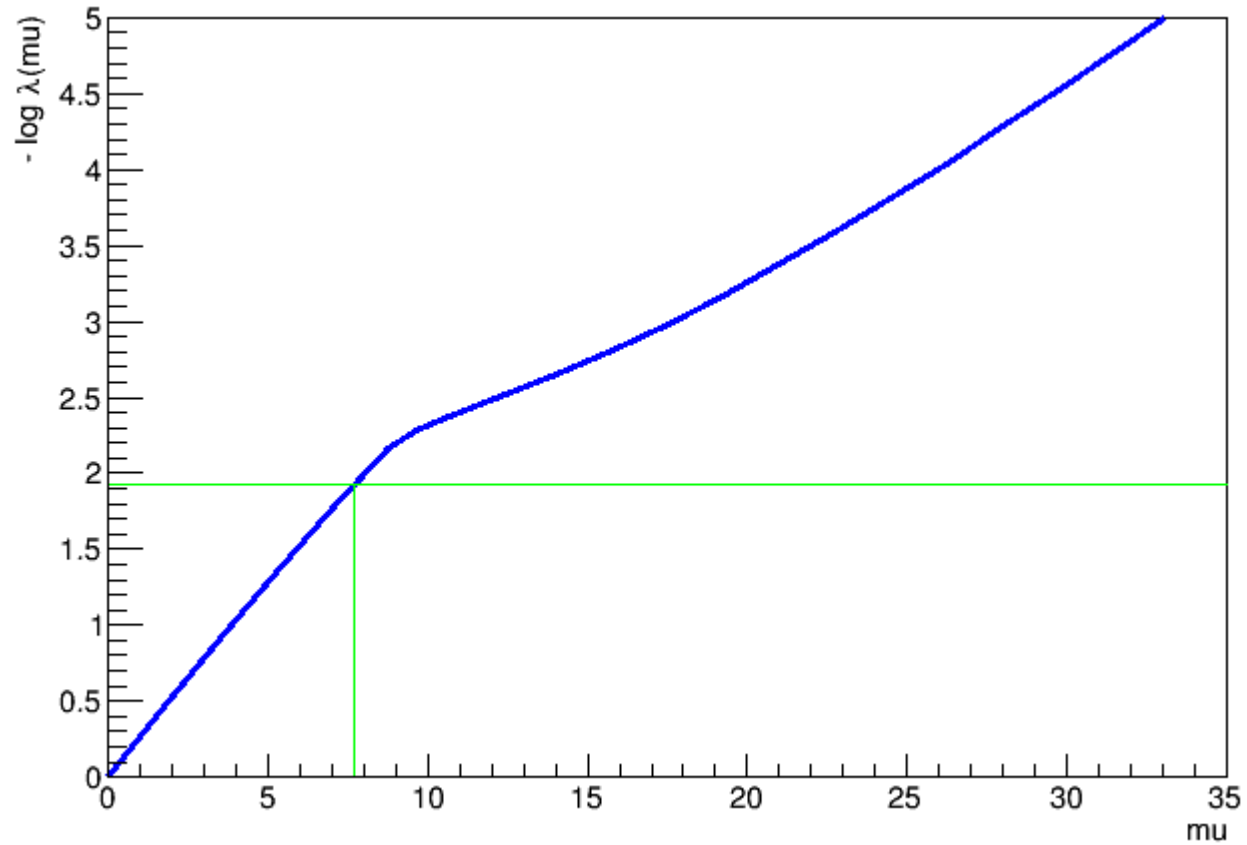
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Interpolation starts from 1990

2070

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The local min moves out of $-\text{Ln}\Lambda=2.0$ since 2070
Interpolation ends at 2070

Backup

Try capped p0

The uncapped p0 (our default) is on bottom in black

The capped p0 is on top in blue (AsymptoticCalculator is used)

Capped is much more stable in low stats region

But we are interested in uncapped p0

However, it tells how important the range of μ is

