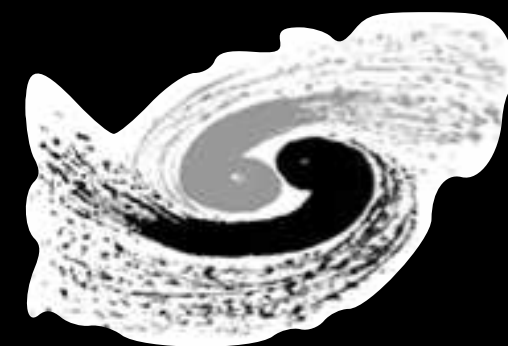
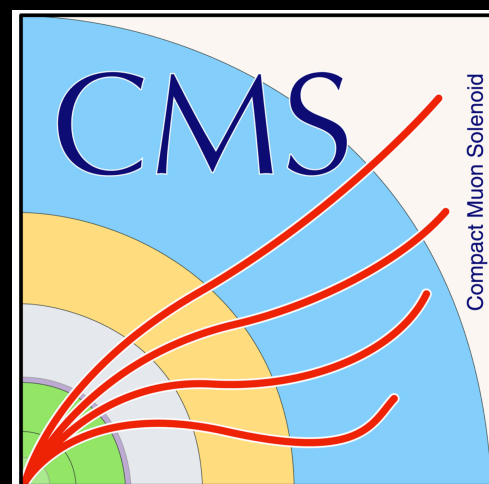


Highlights of $H \rightarrow ff$ at the LHC

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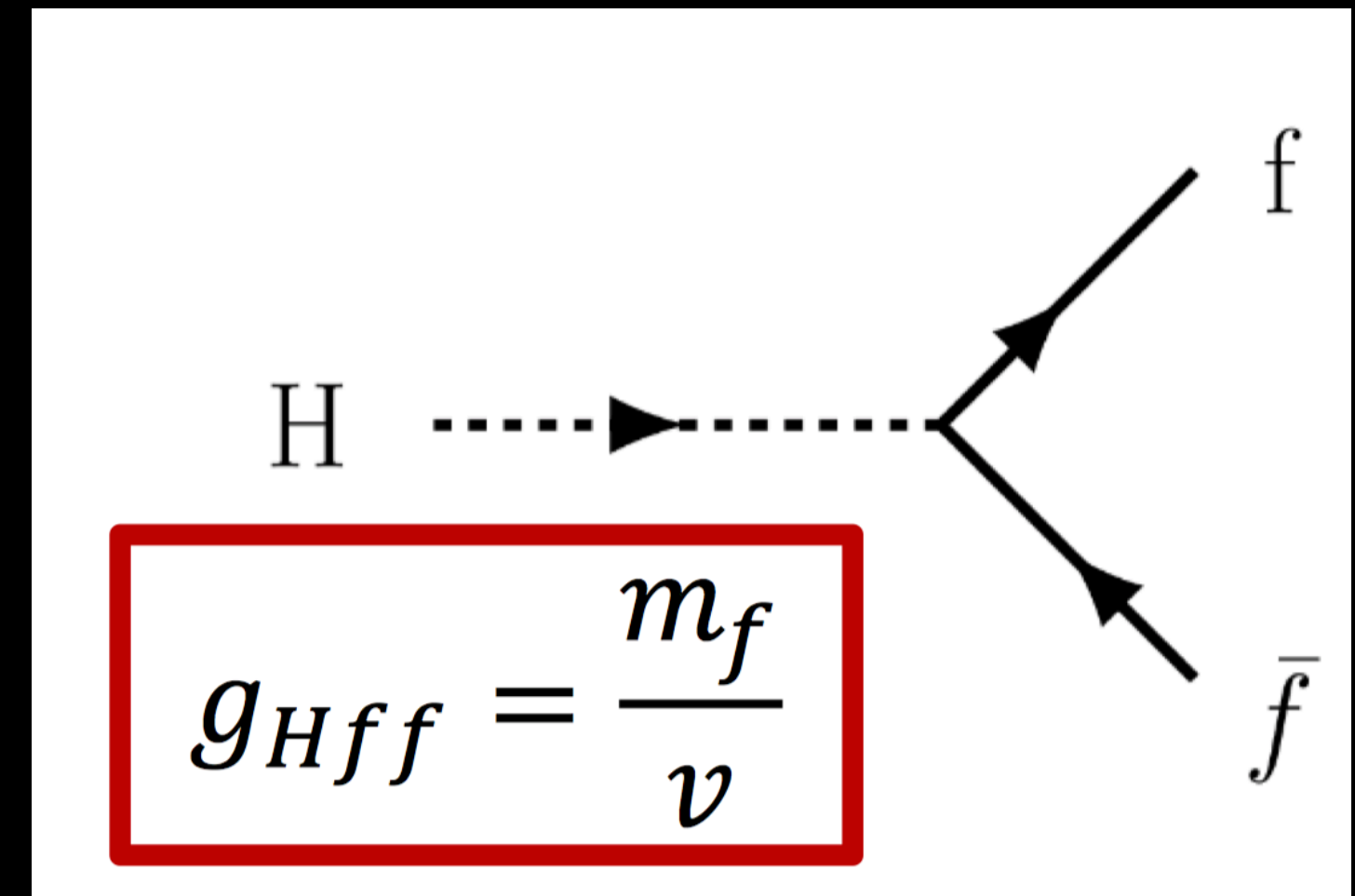
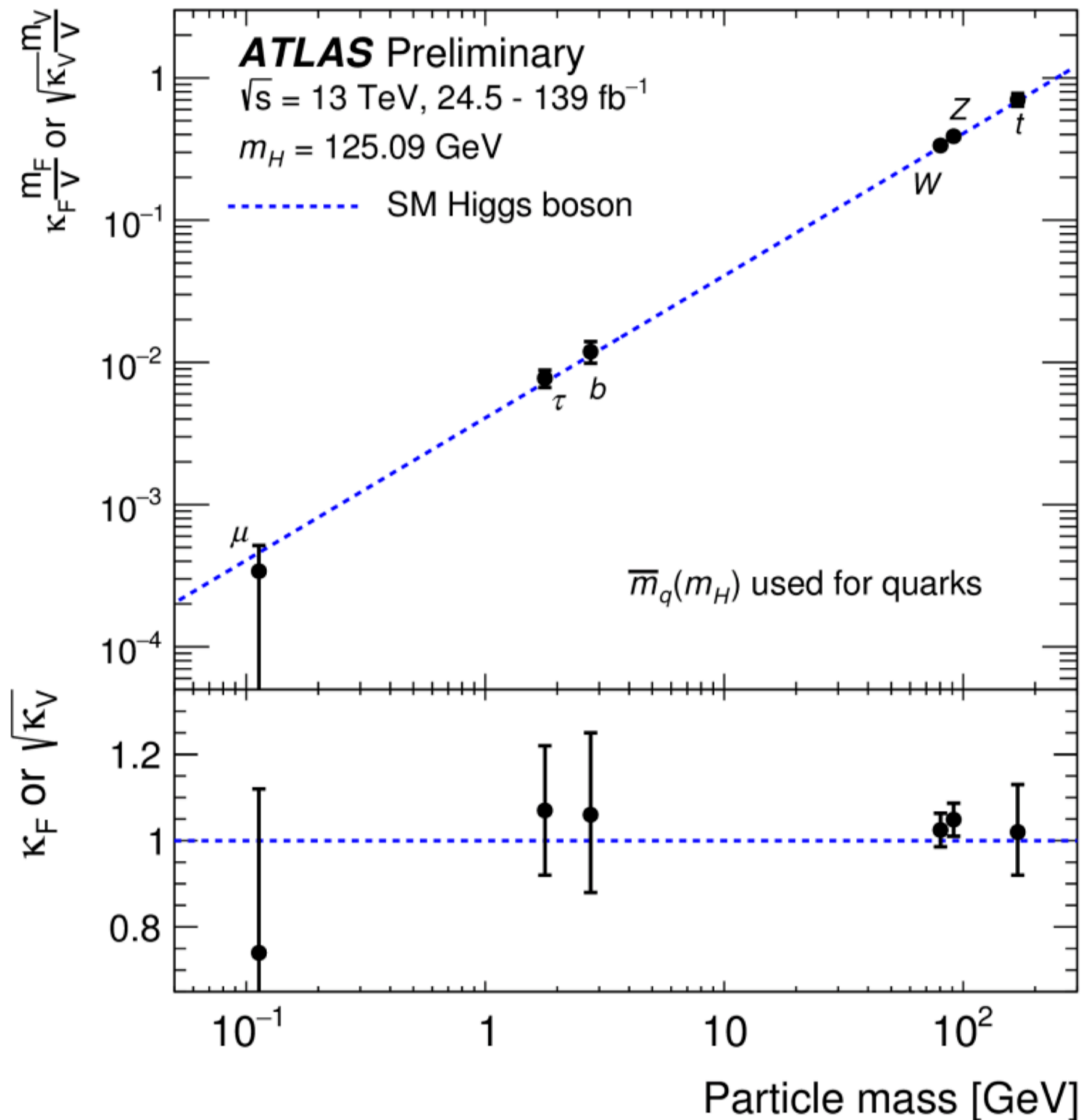
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on behalf of the ATLAS and CMS collaboration



Higgs coupling to fermions

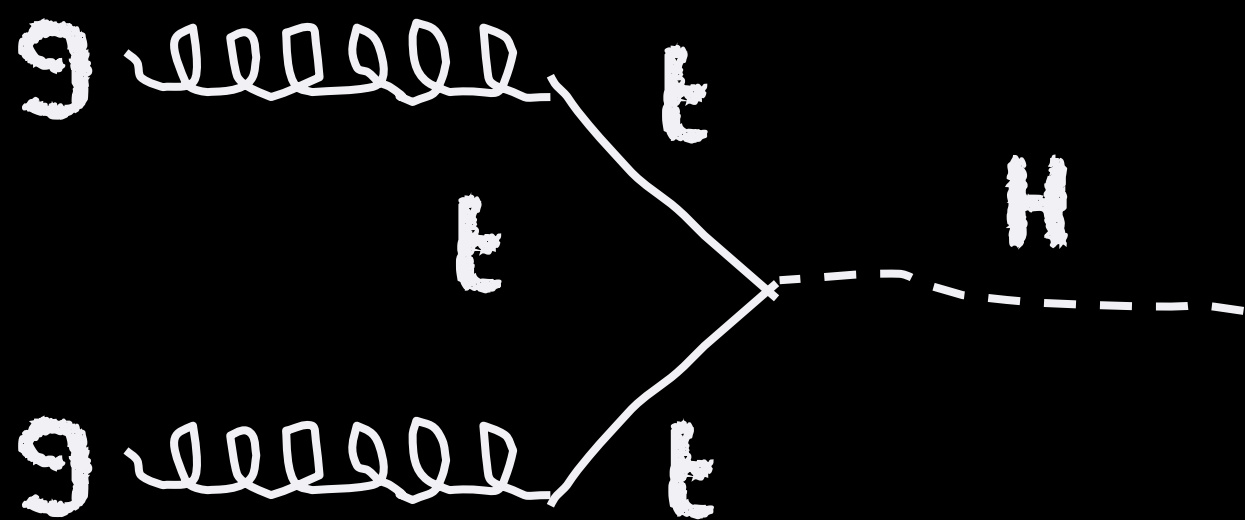
- Higgs coupling to fermions via ad-hoc Yukawa couplings
- Proportional to fermion mass



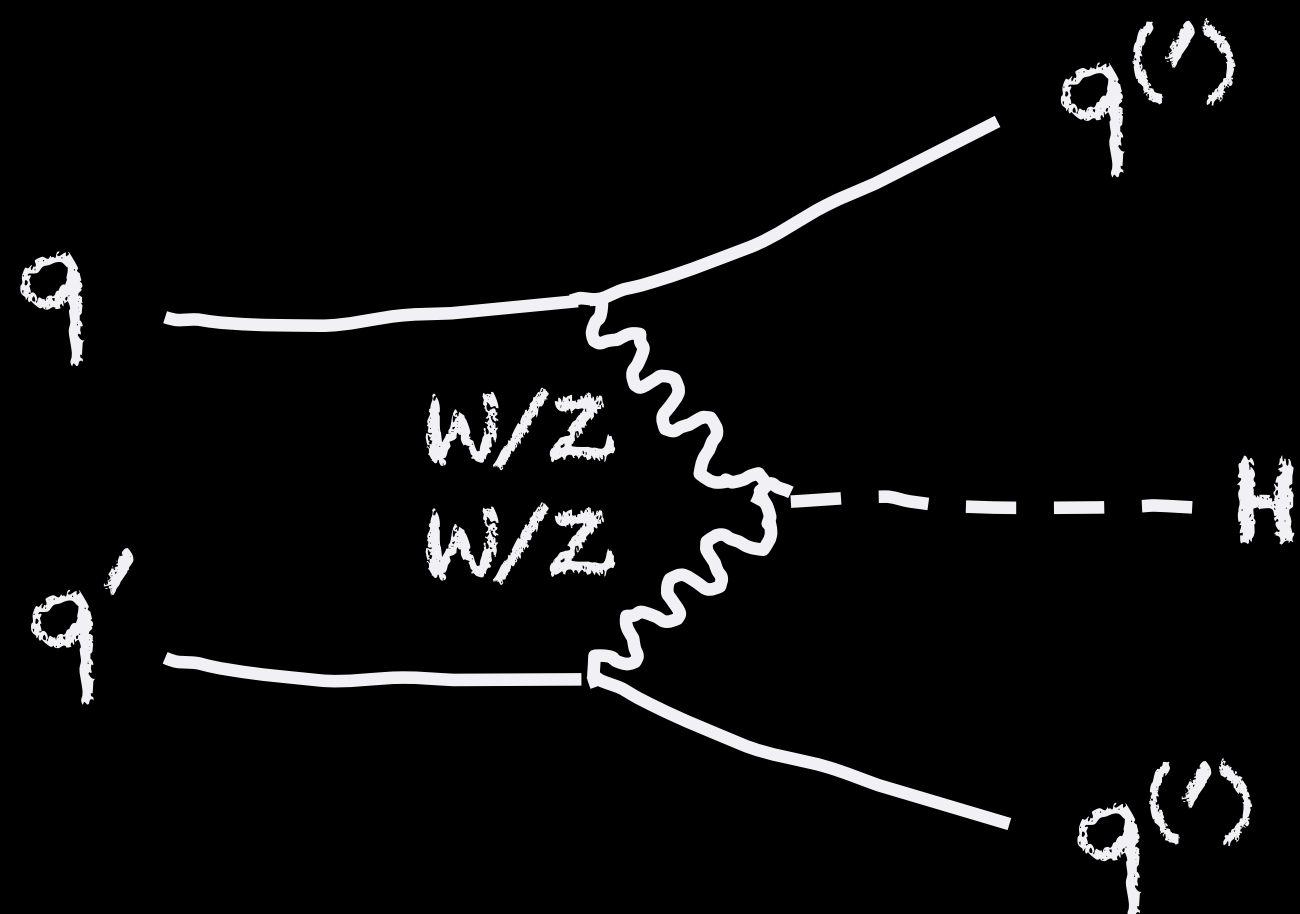
Higgs production at LHC

At the LHC, the Higgs boson is dominantly produced via gluon fusion for $\sigma_{H,\text{total}} = 56 \text{ pb}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ for $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$

gluon fusion $\sigma_{H,ggF} \sim 49 \text{ pb}$

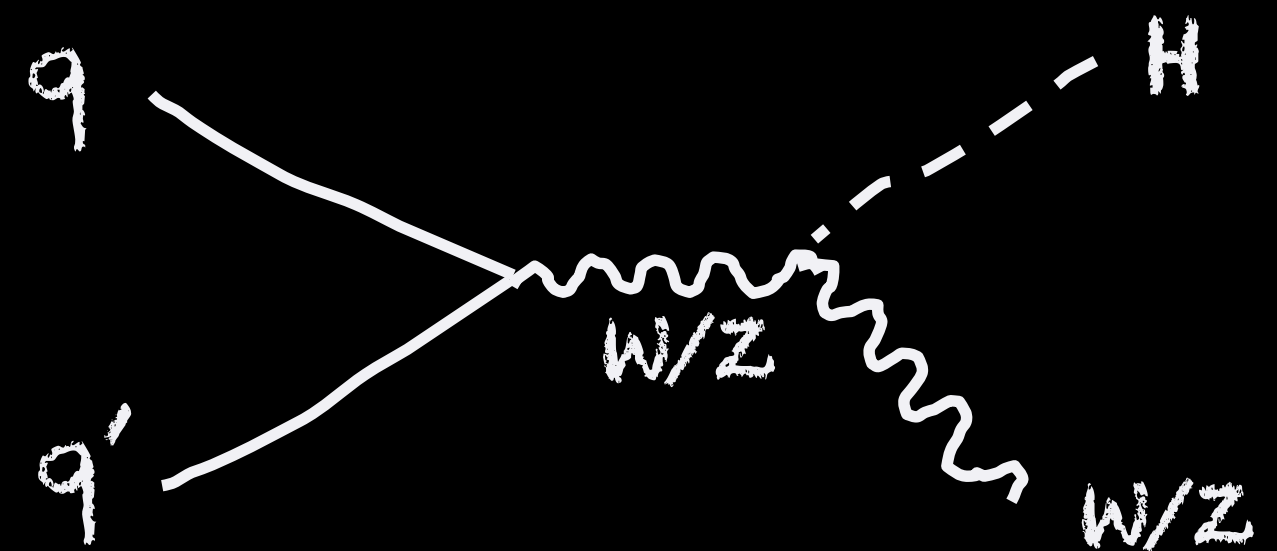


Vector Boson Fusion : VBF
($\sigma_{\text{VBF}} \sim 3.8 \text{ pb}$)



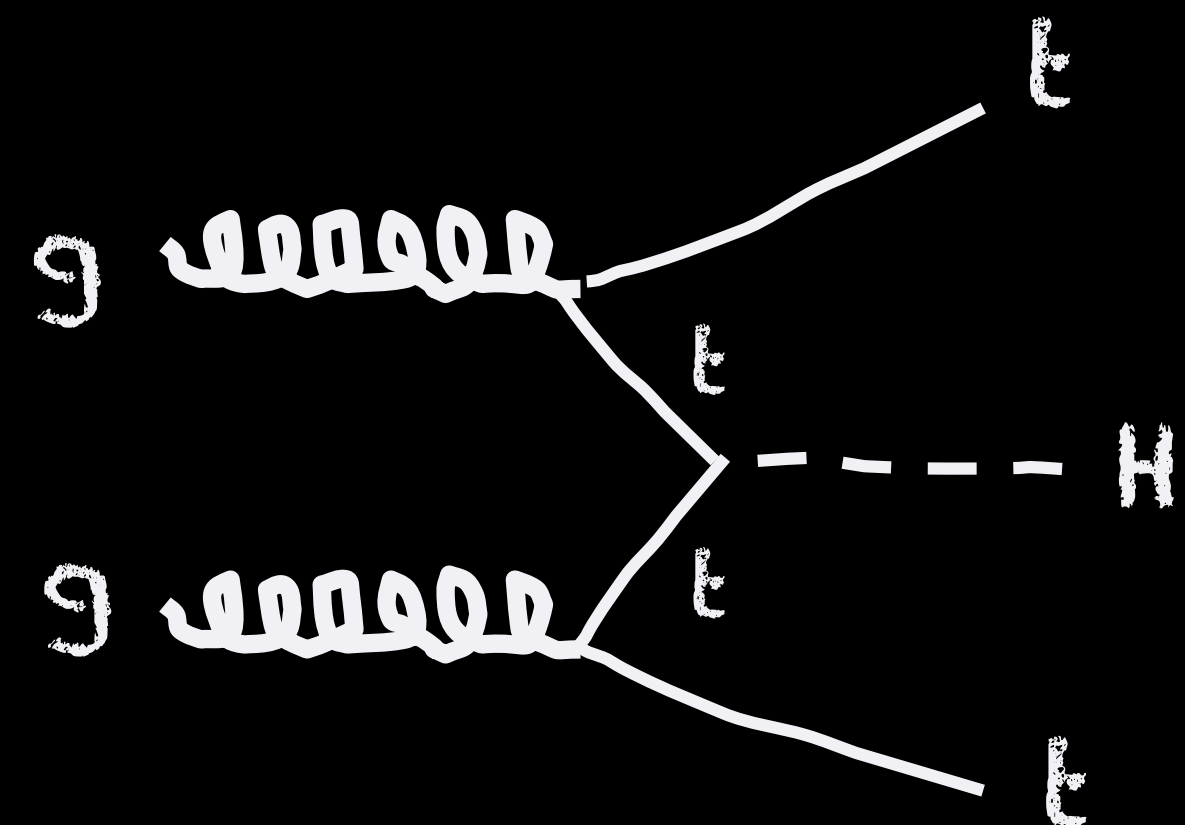
Higgs-strahlung

($\sigma_{W/Z+H} \sim 1.4/0.9 \text{ pb}$):



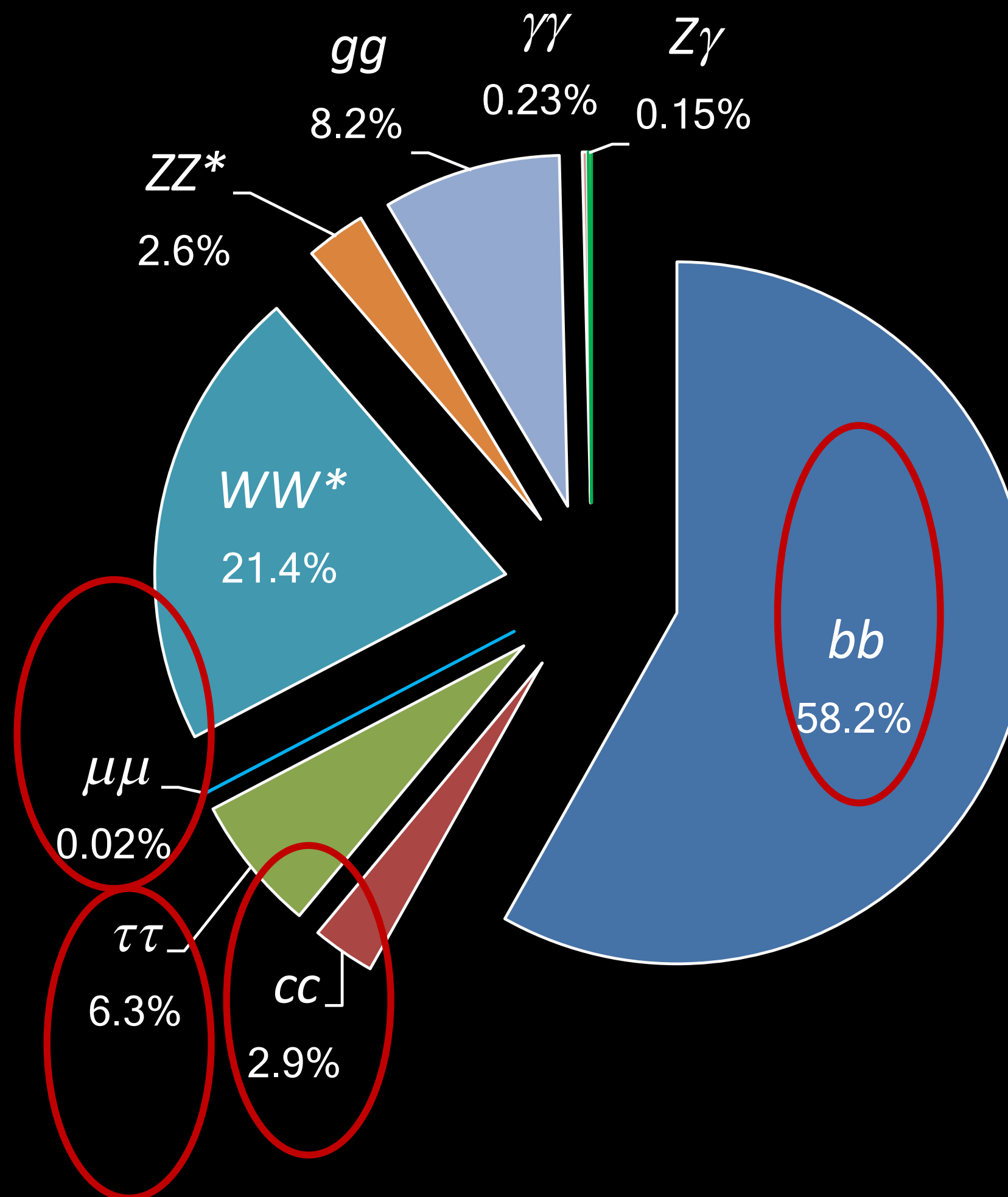
"ttH" production

($\sigma_{ttH} \sim \sigma_{bbH} \sim 0.5 \text{ pb}$)



Higgs decay model

- $H \rightarrow bb$ (BR~58%): Higgs dominant decay mode, observed in 2018
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (BR~6.3%): Observed in run 1
- $H \rightarrow cc$ (BR~3%): Probe Higgs coupling to 2nd generation quark
- $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ (BR~0.02%): Probe Higgs coupling to 2nd generation lepton



Quarks

u up	c charm	t top
d down	s strange	b bottom

e electron	μ muon	τ tau
ν_e electron neutrino	ν_μ muon neutrino	ν_τ tau neutrino

Leptons

Forces

Z Z boson	γ photon
W W boson	g gluon

APS highlight 2018: ttH and $H \rightarrow bb$ observation

Top 10 highlight 2018 in American physics Society(APS)

- Graphene: A New Superconductor
- The Higgs Shows up with the Heaviest Quarks
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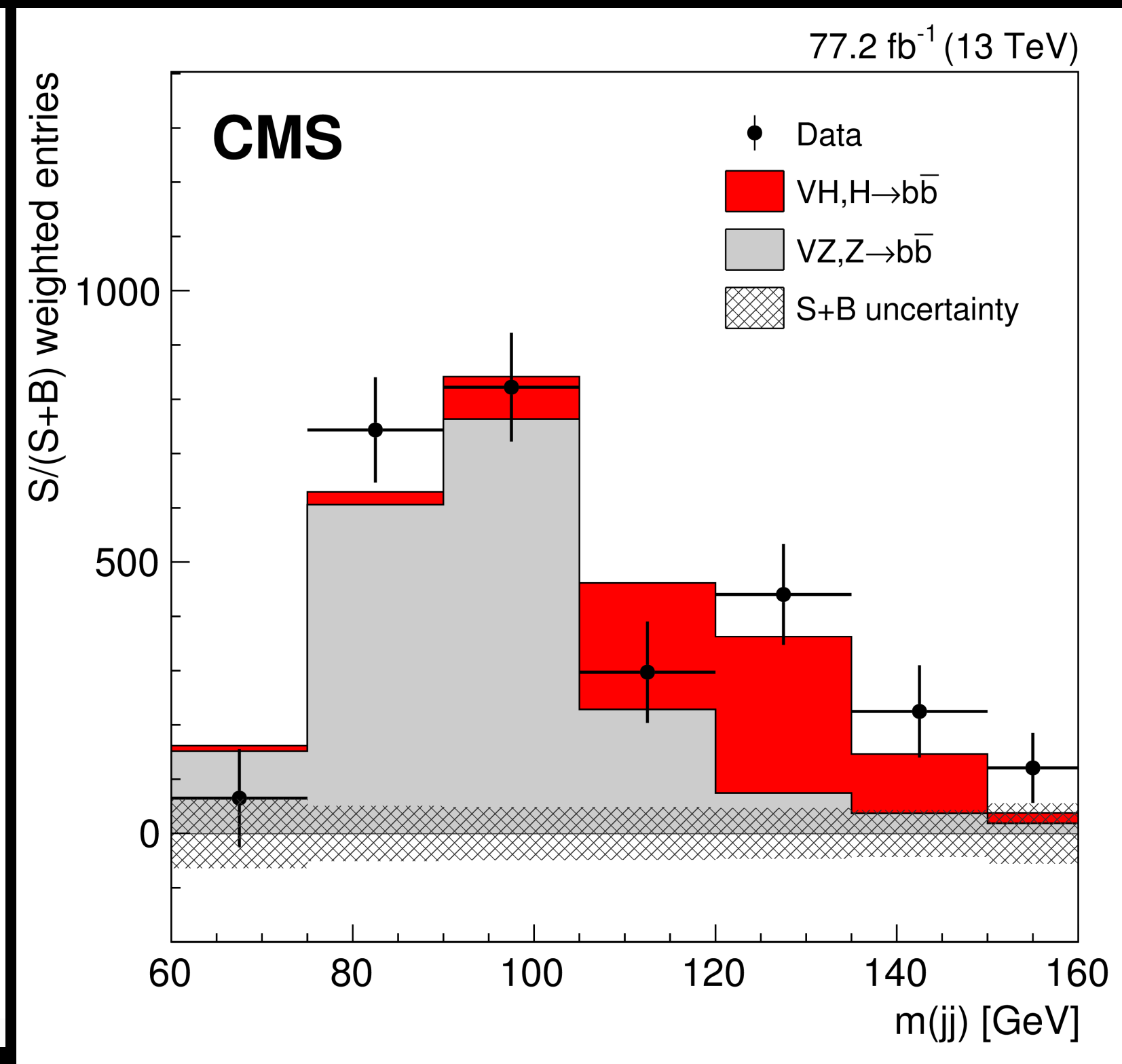
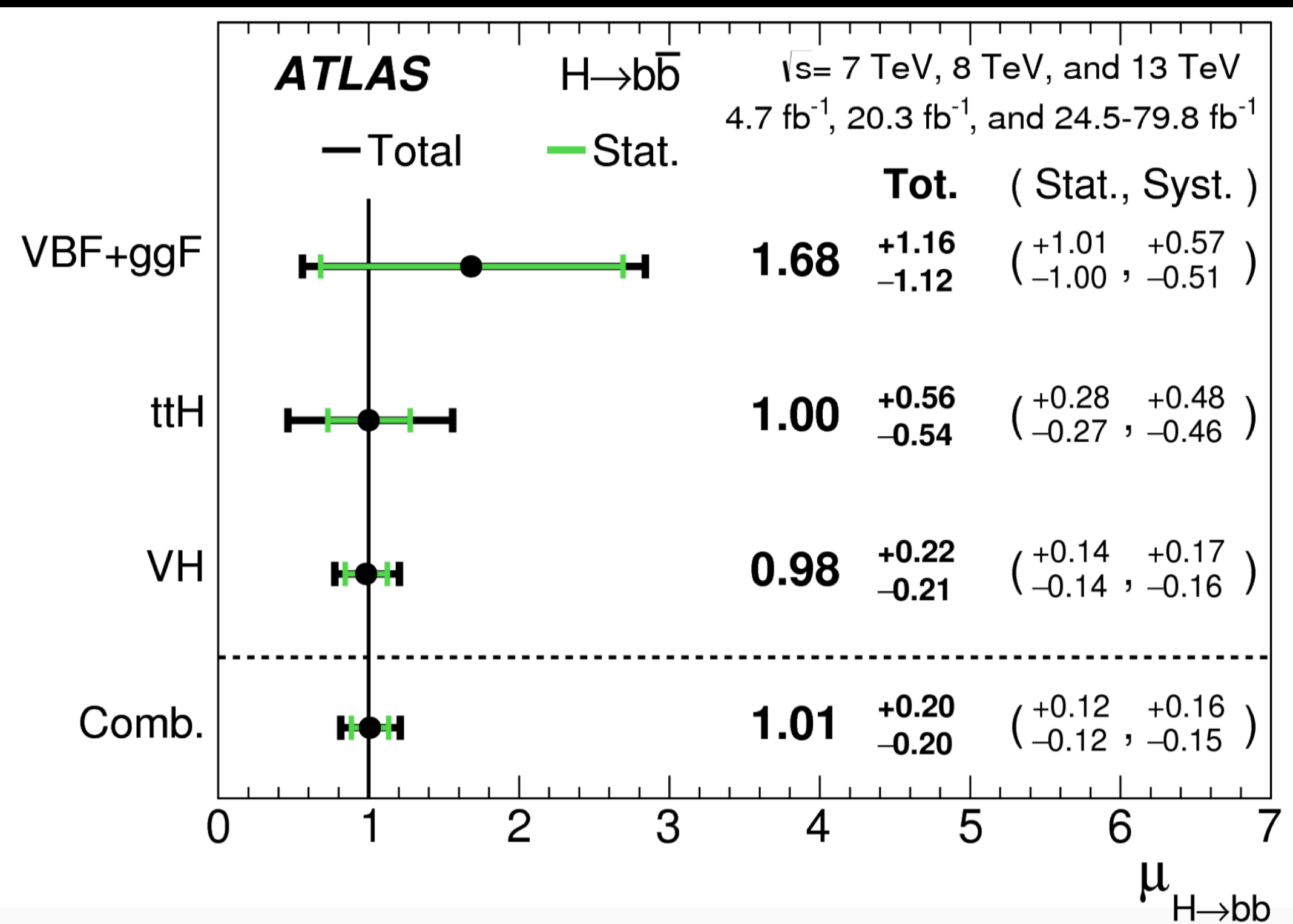


<https://physics.aps.org/articles/v11/129>

ttH observation will be covered in the talk by Haifeng

H → bb observation

- H → bb study Started at LEP, developed in Tevatron, found at LHC
- H → bb observation in 2018 by ATLAS and CMS
- **Top 10 highlight 2018 in American physics Society(APS)**



**VBF+ggF+ttH+VH combined
 5.4σ obs (5.5σ exp.)**

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**VBF+ggF+ttH+VH combined
 5.6σ obs (5.5σ exp.)**

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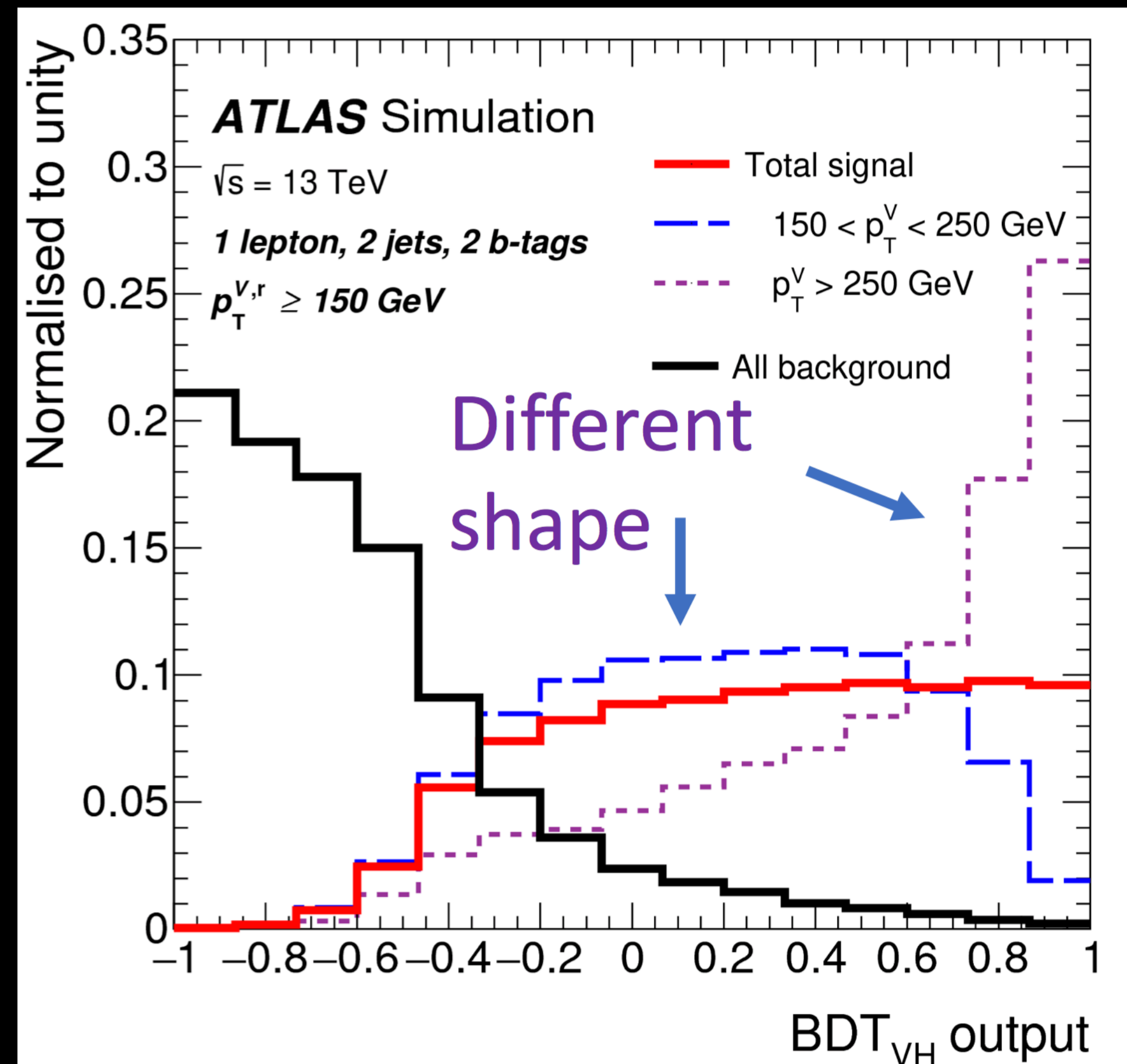
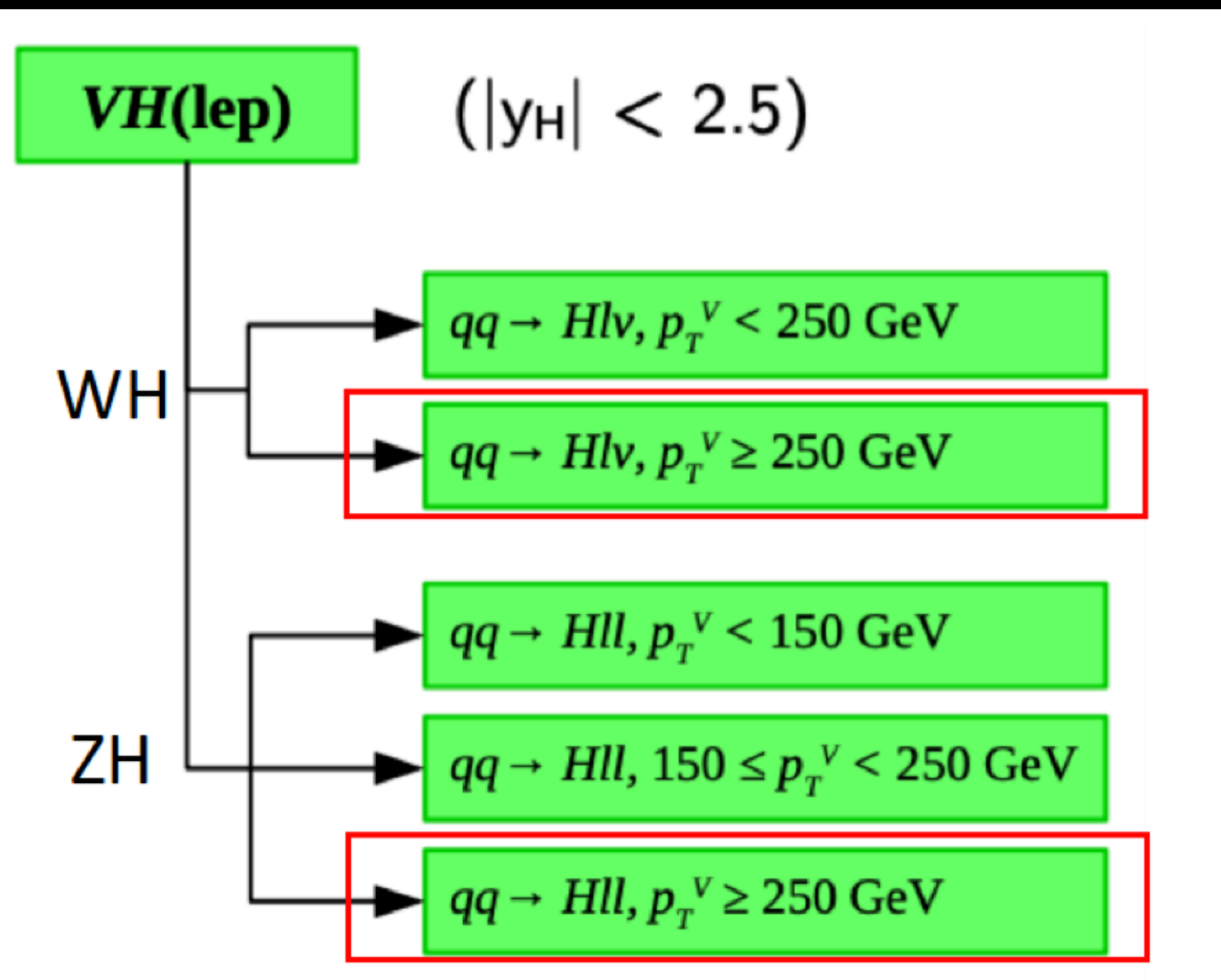
H → bb simplified template cross section

➤ **Motivation:** Extract more information from limited data

➤ **Strategy:**

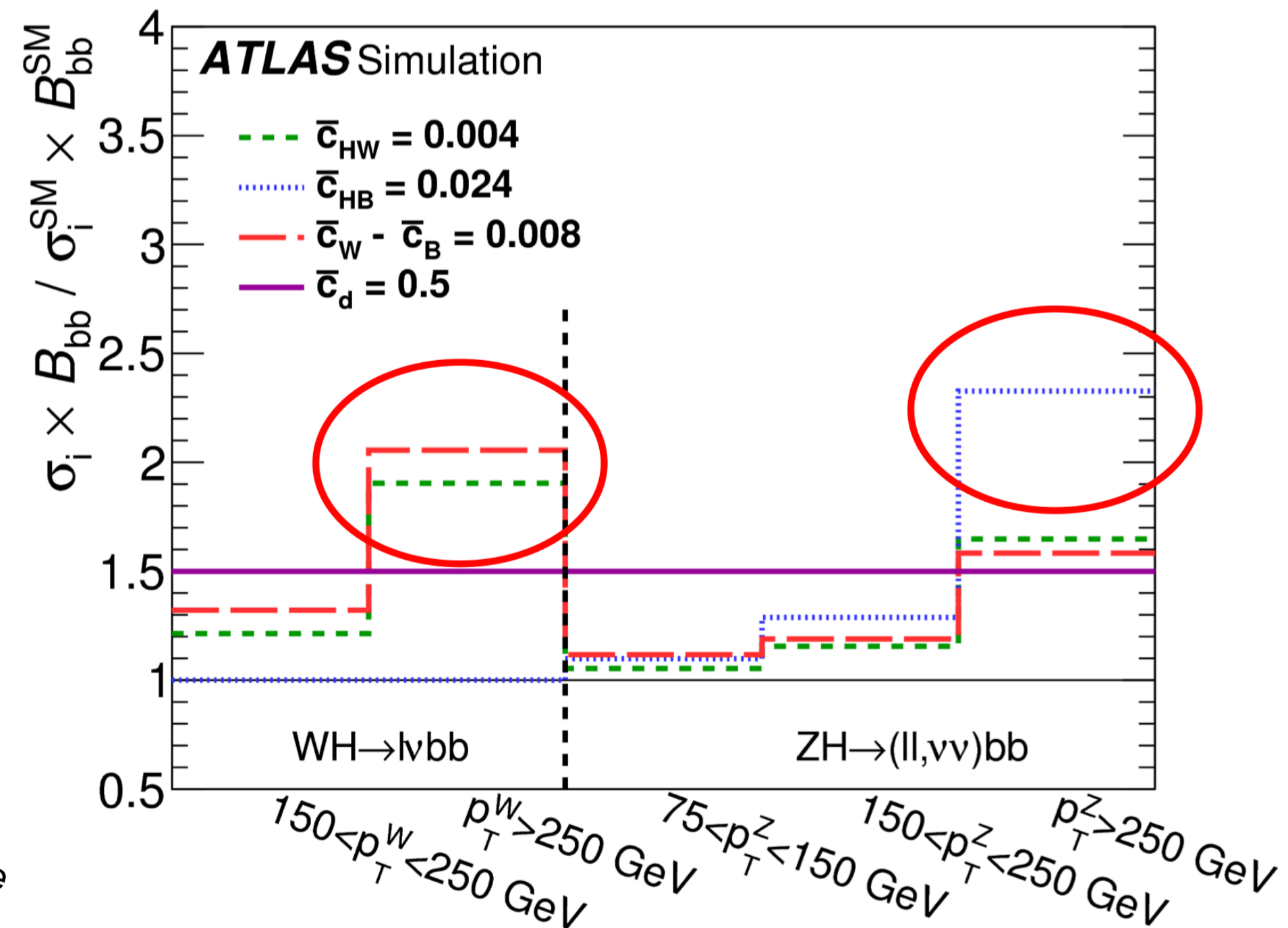
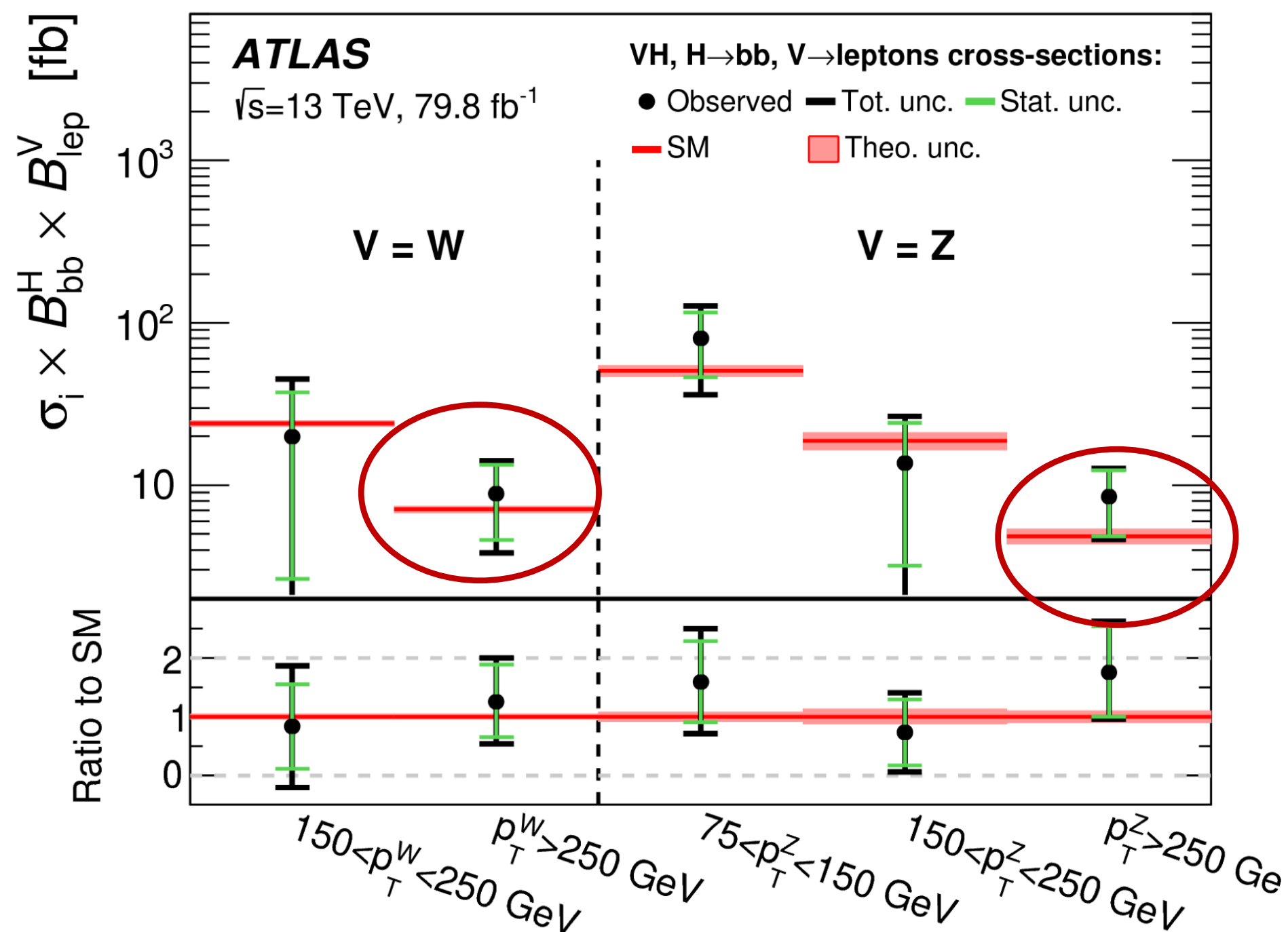
□ Divided by production modes and by p_T^V regions

□ Sensitivity provided by BDT shapes



H → bb simplified template cross section

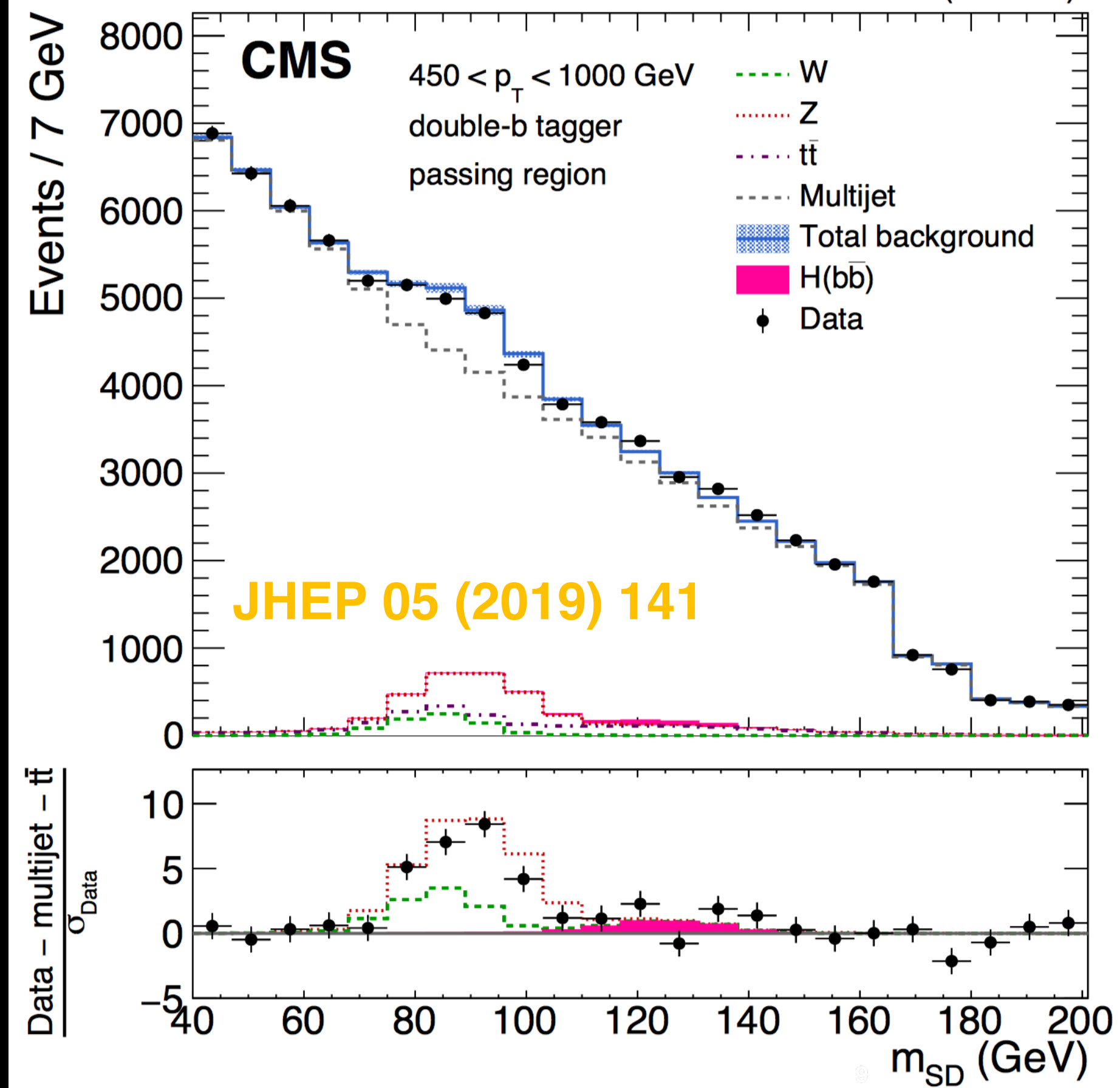
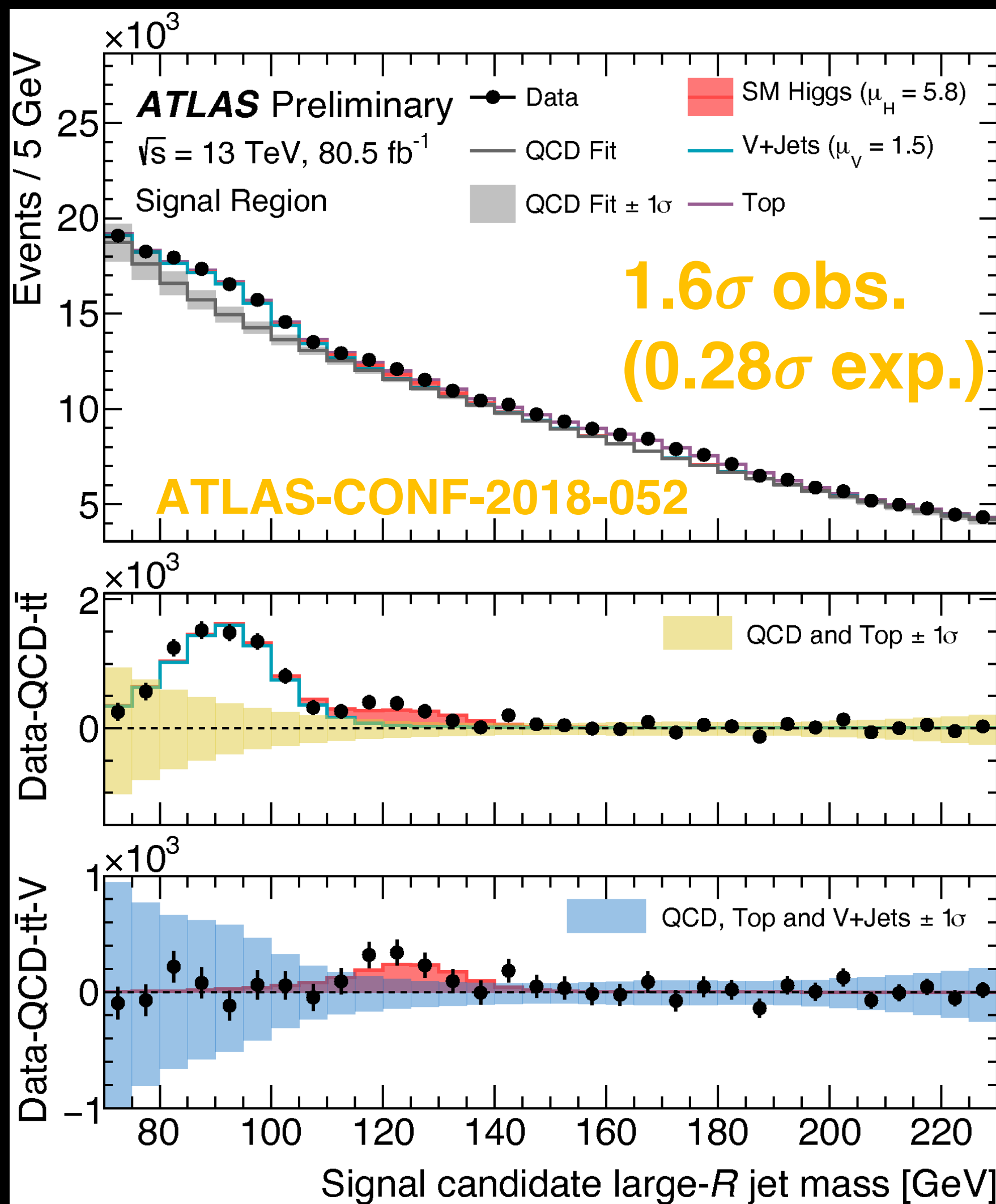
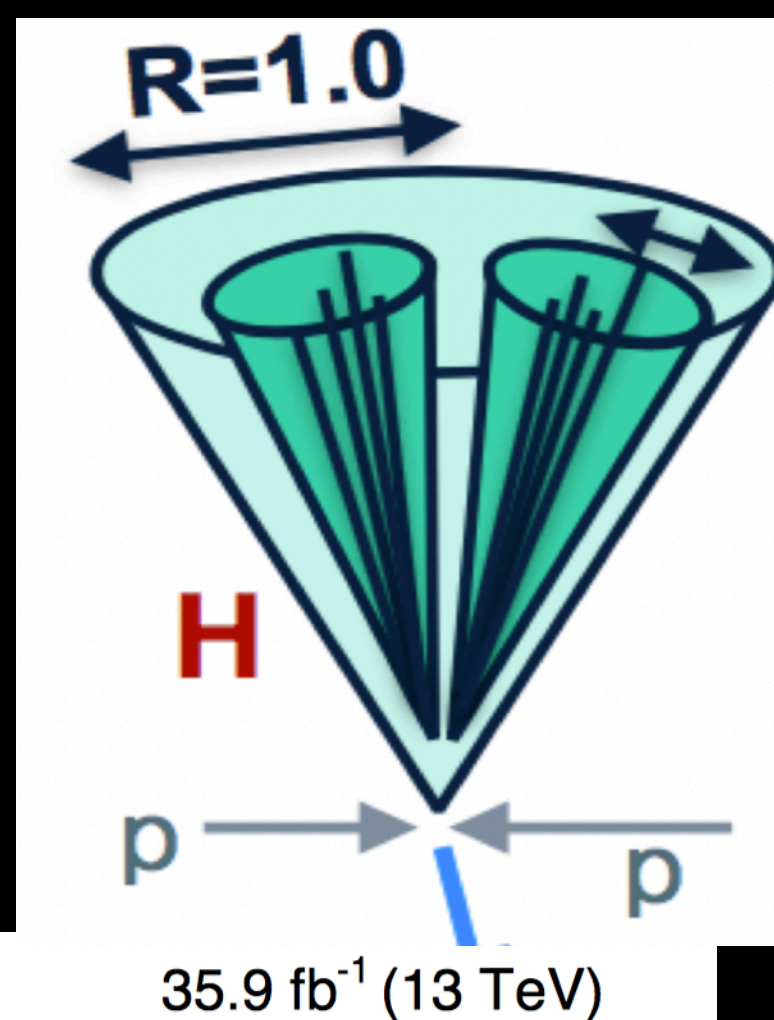
- **Strategy:** Divided by production mode and by p_T -V regions
- **Highlight:** high p_T bins are more sensitivity to BSM physics



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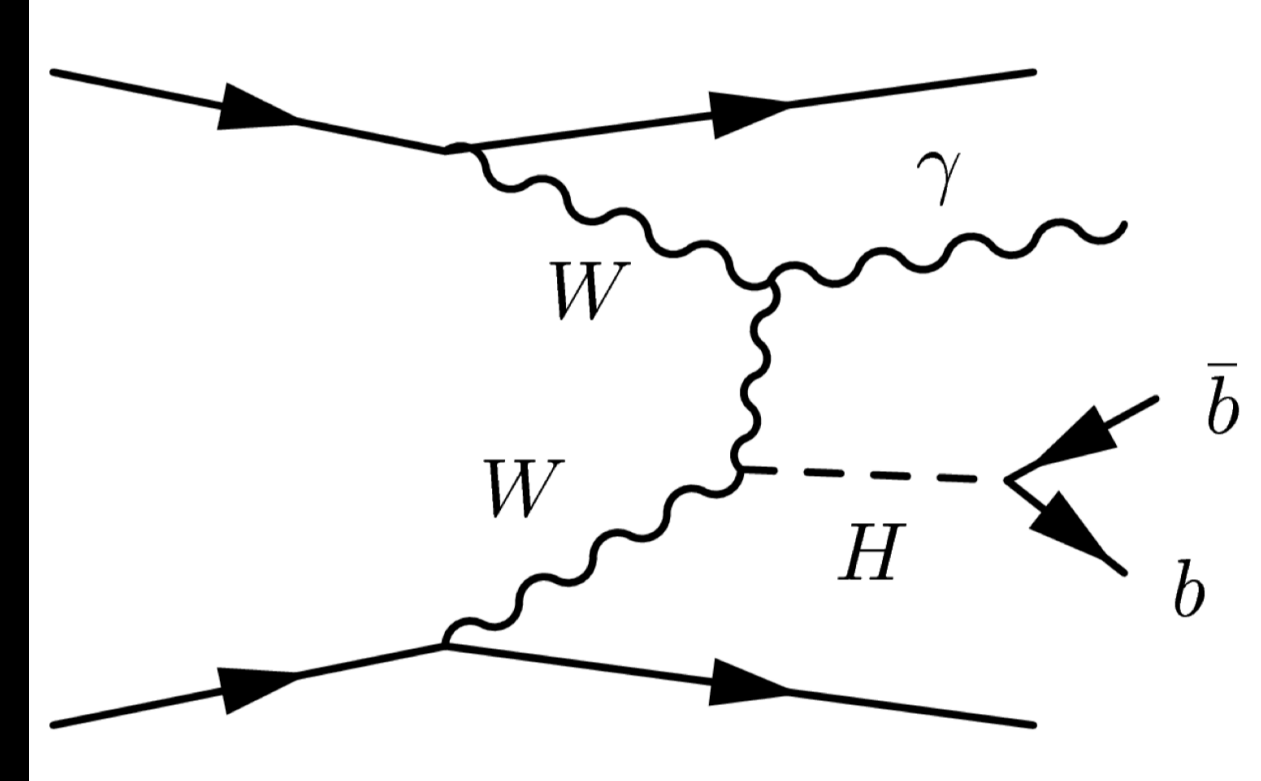
$H \rightarrow bb$: boosted $gg \rightarrow Hj$

- Boosted analysis: 2 large-R jets
- 2 b-tagged track jets in one large R-jet
- Higgs candidate $p_T > \sim 480$ GeV



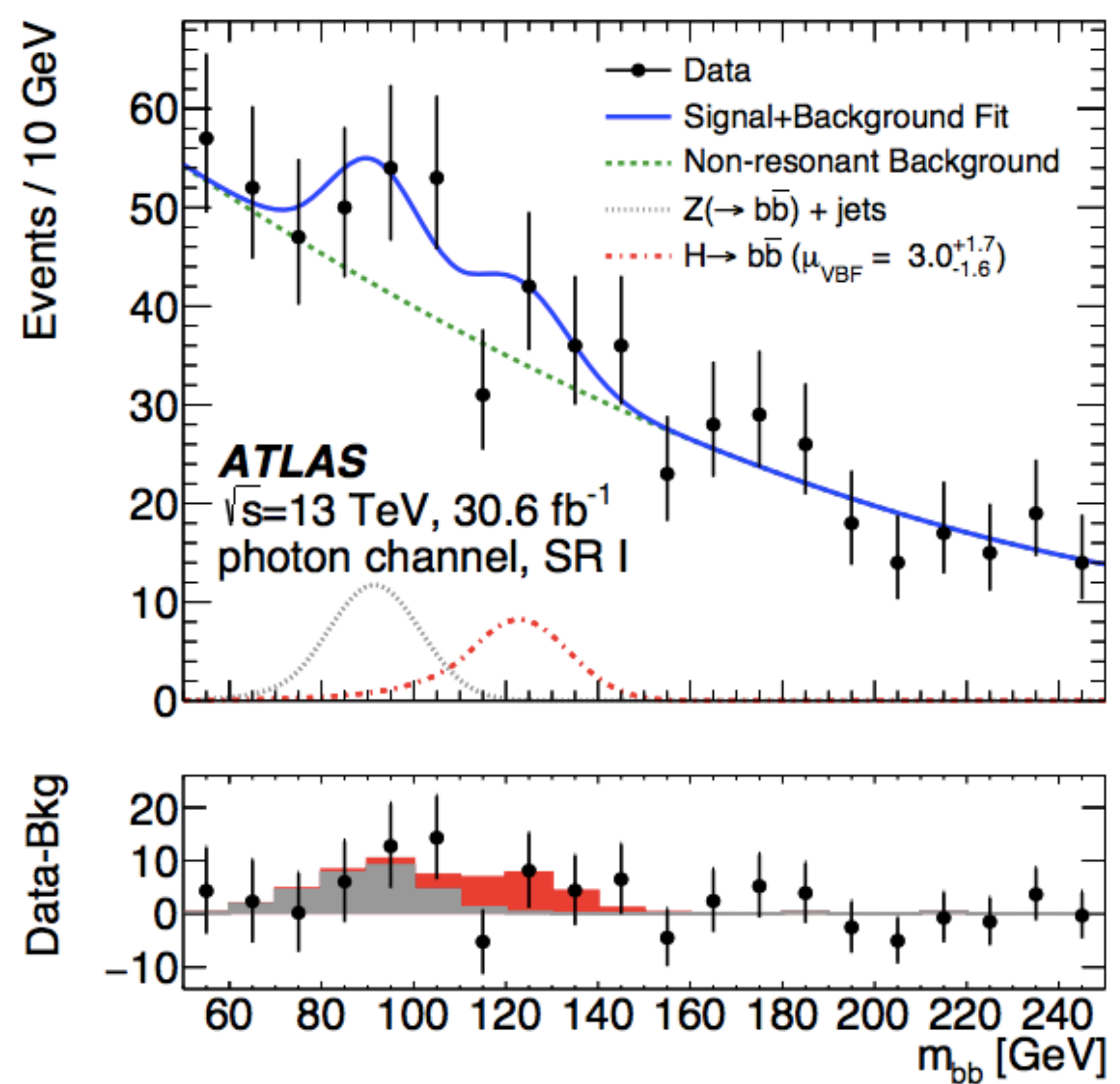
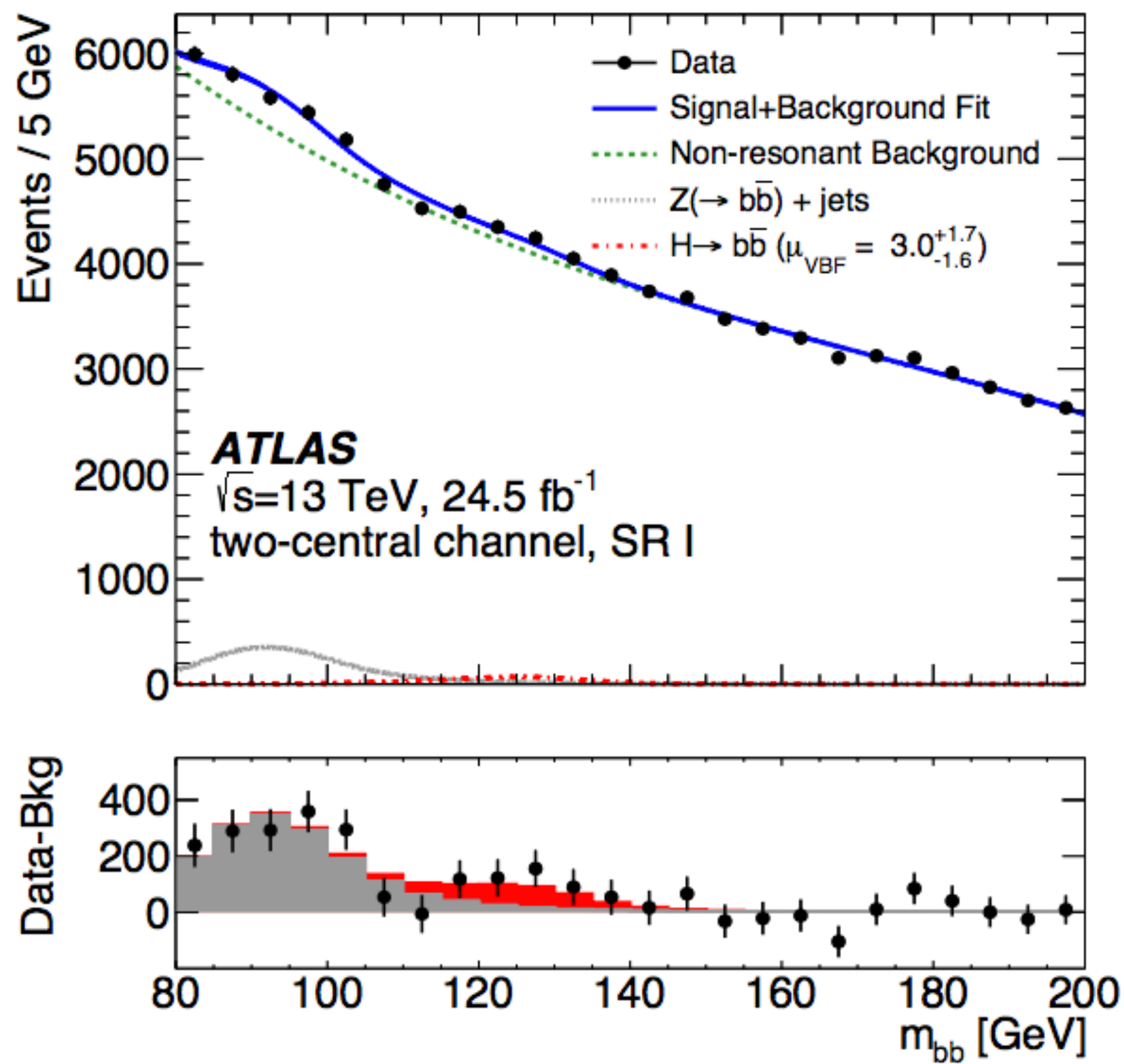
VBF $H \rightarrow bb$ analysis

- **Inclusive VBF**: 2 b jets + 2 VBF jets
- **VBF+ γ** : 2 b jets + 2 VBF jets+ + γ
- Photon channel is more sensitive
- Significance: 1.9σ obs. (0.7σ exp.)



VBF $H \rightarrow bb$

VBF $H \rightarrow bb + \gamma$



H → cc

➤ Challenge:

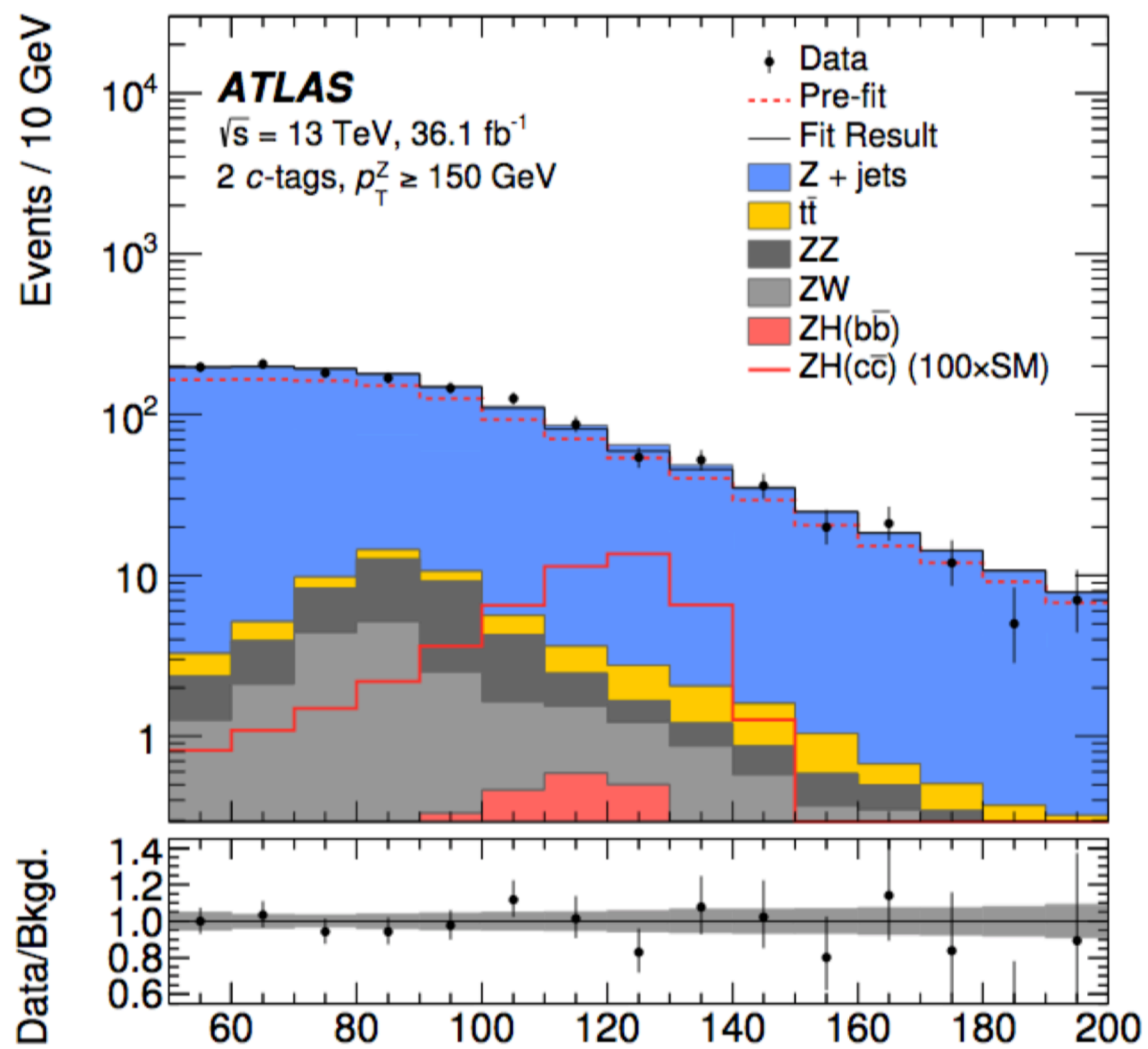
□ Charm quark tagging (20~40% efficiency)

□ large background rate from light quarks and b quarks

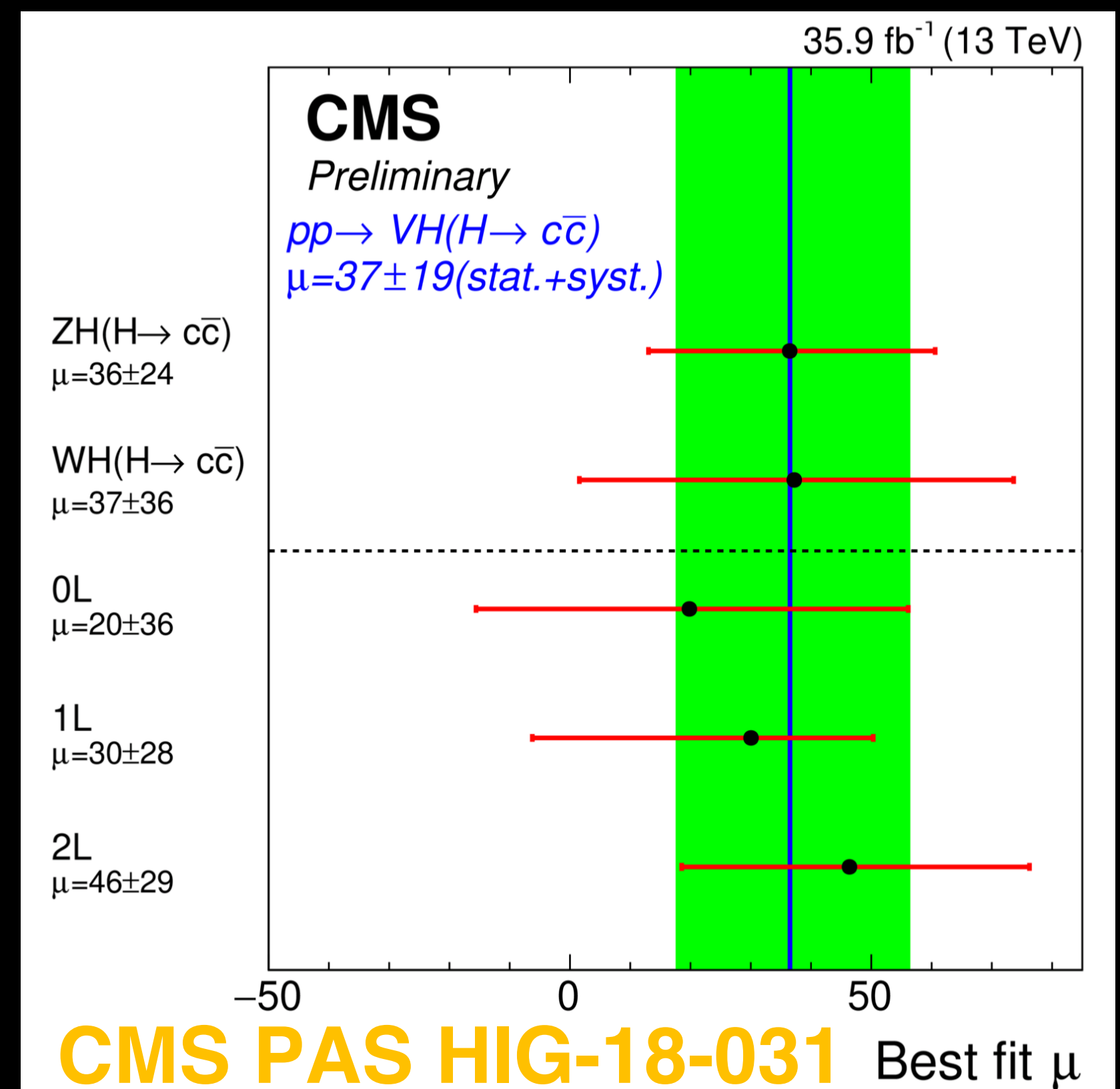
	Dataset	obs. (exp.) limits
ATLAS	Run 2	< 110 (150)x SM
CMS	Run2	< 70 (37) x SM

**SM predicted:
H → cc (BR ~ 3%)**

Search for Higgs coupling to 2nd generation quarks



PRL 120 (2018) 211802 $m_{c\bar{c}} [\text{GeV}]$



$H \rightarrow cc : \text{meson} + \gamma$

Exclusive decays to γ and vector-meson

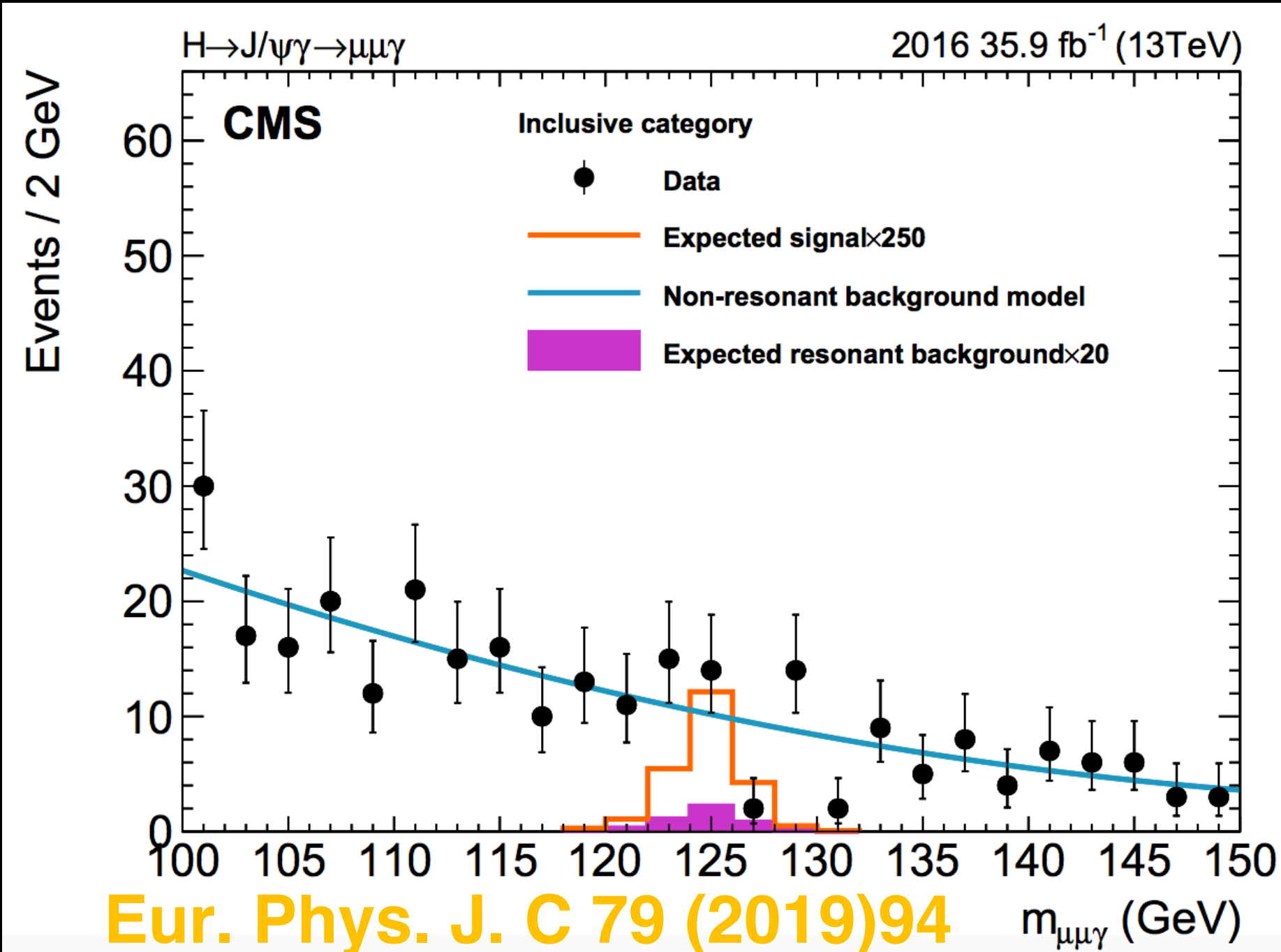
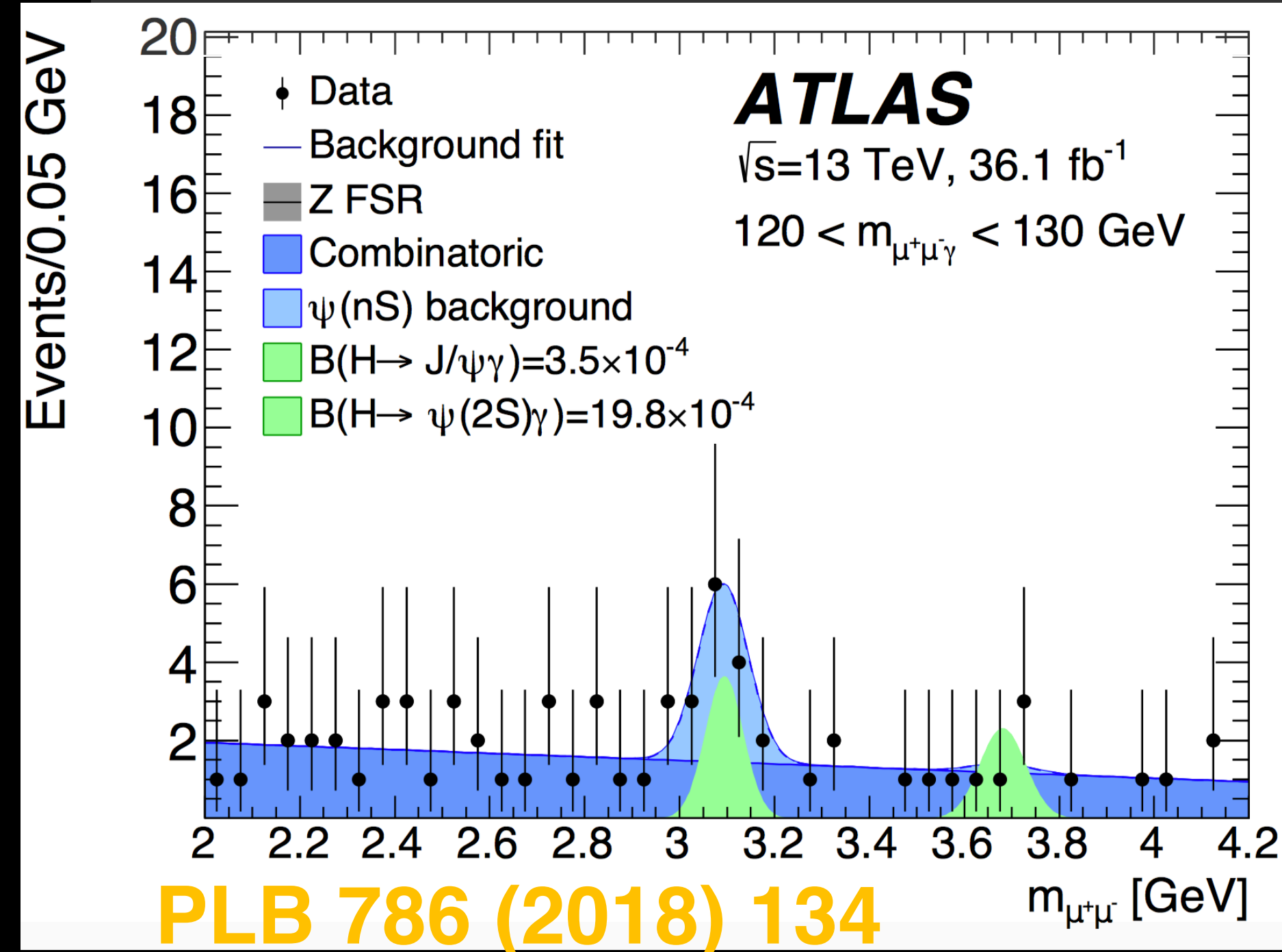
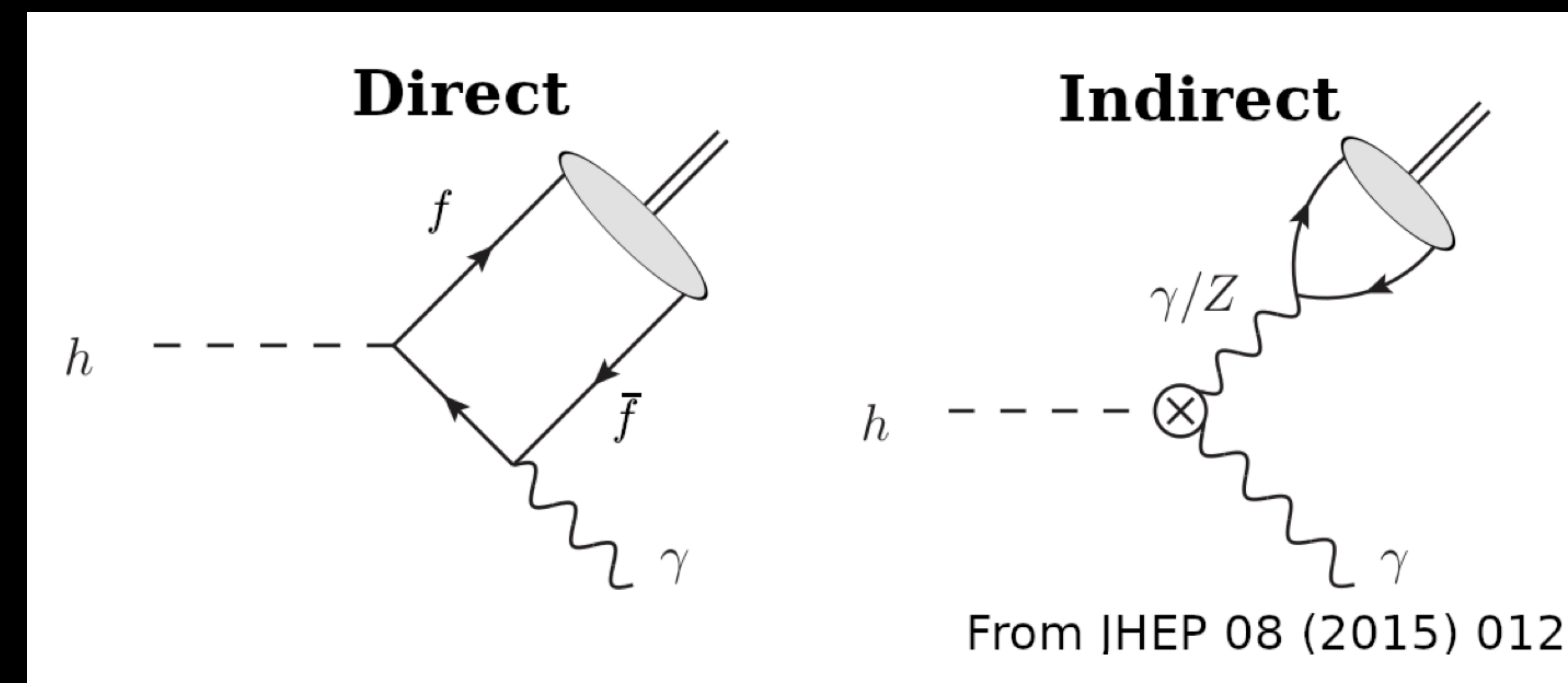
- direct contribution sensitive to c-quark Yukawa
- however indirect contribution dominant

obs. (exp.) upper limits on BRs

ATLAS $3.5(3.0) \times 10^{-4}$

CMS $7.6(5.2) \times 10^{-4}$

SM pred. 3.0×10^{-6}



$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$

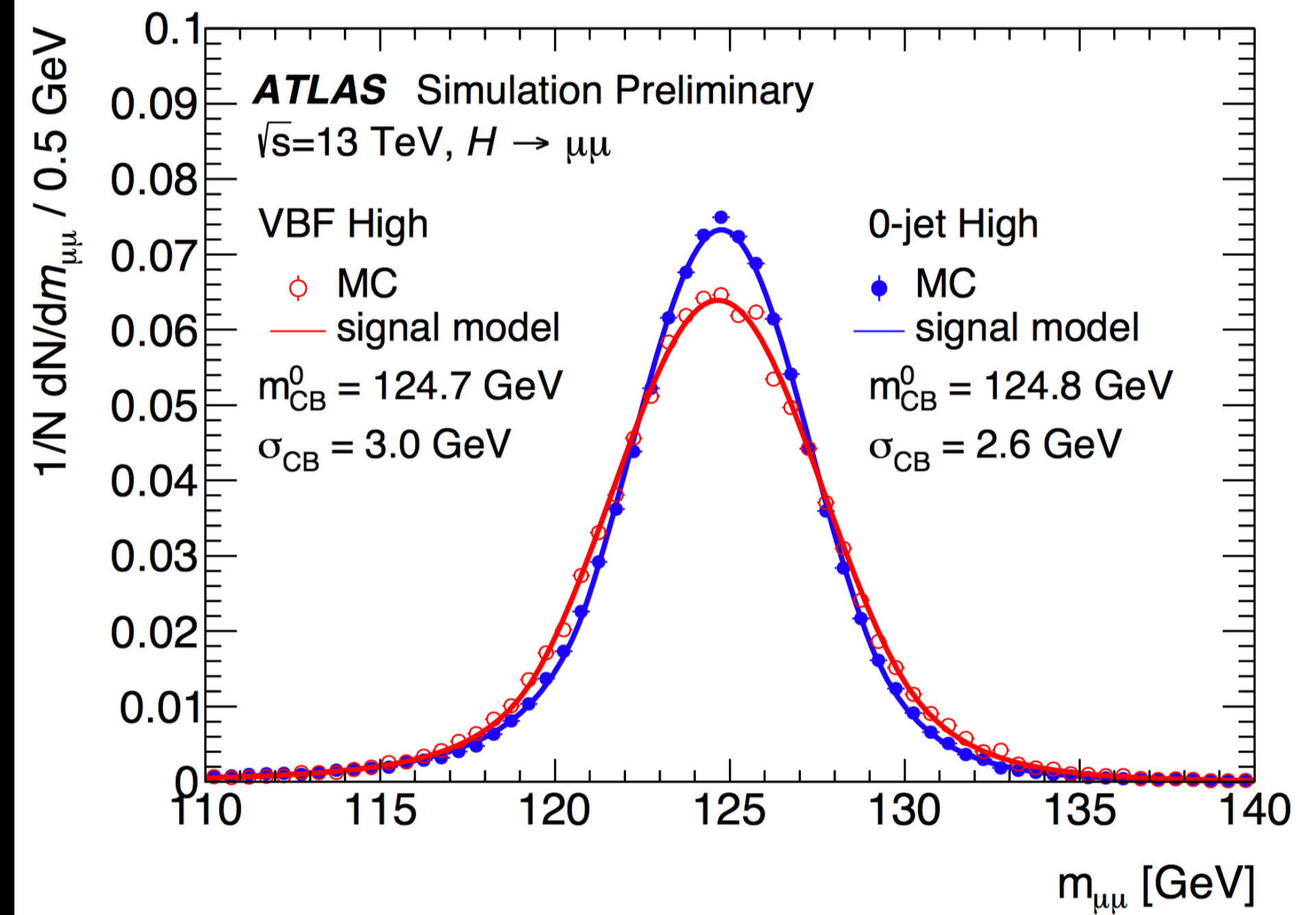
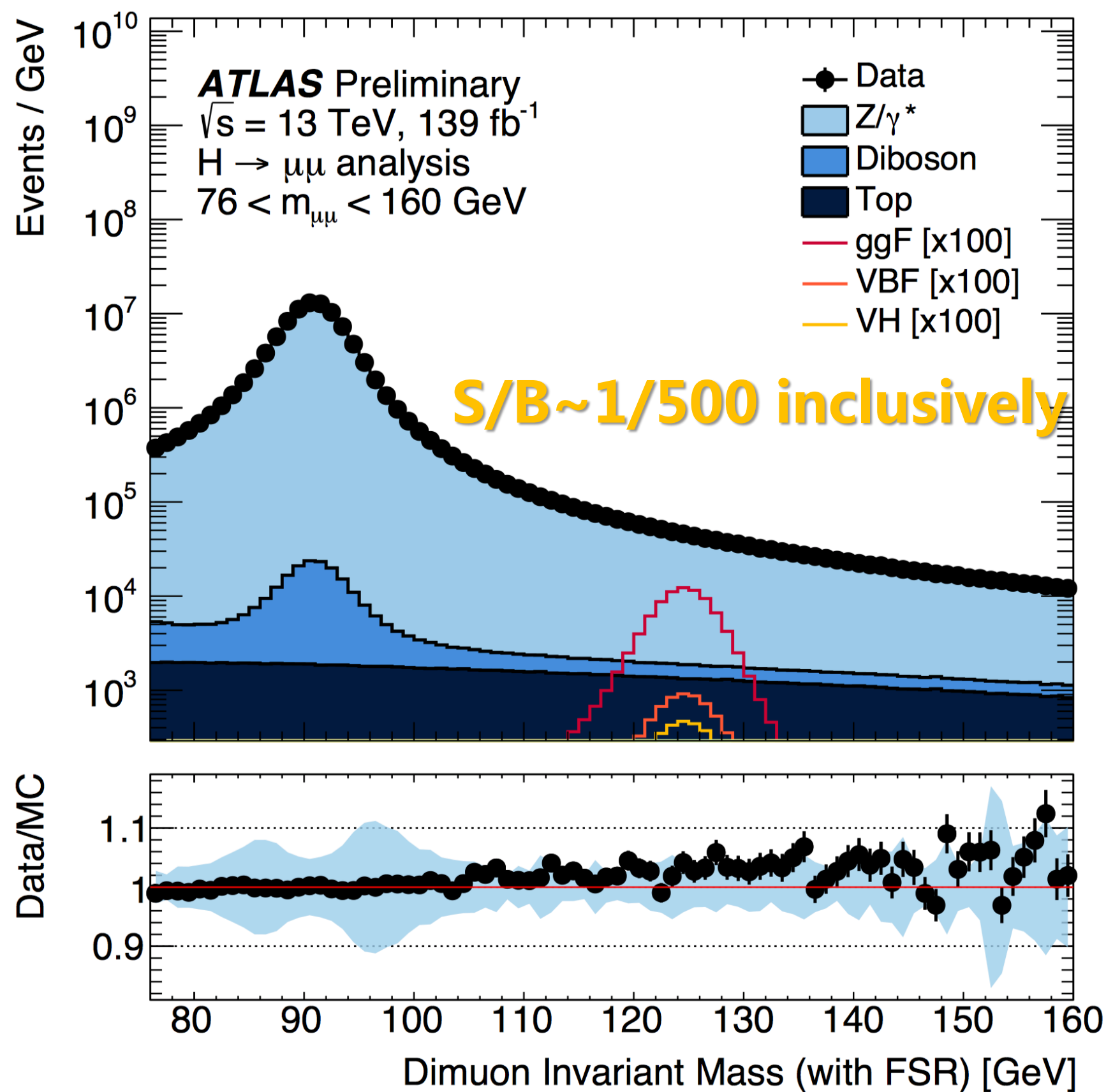
➤ Challenge:

- ❑ Very small branching ratio $B(H \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) = 2.2 \times 10^{-4}$
- ❑ large background rate from Drell–Yan $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$

➤ Strategy

- ❑ Multivariate categorisation to maximise sensitivity
- ❑ Higgs production via ggF and VBF in exclusive selections with $\geq 2, = 1, = 0$ jets

Search for Evidence of Higgs coupling to 2nd generation fermions



H → μμ

Data luminosity

obs. (exp.) upper limits

obs. (exp.) Significance

ATLAS

Run 2 (139 fb⁻¹)

1.7 (1.3) × SM

0.8σ(1.5σ)

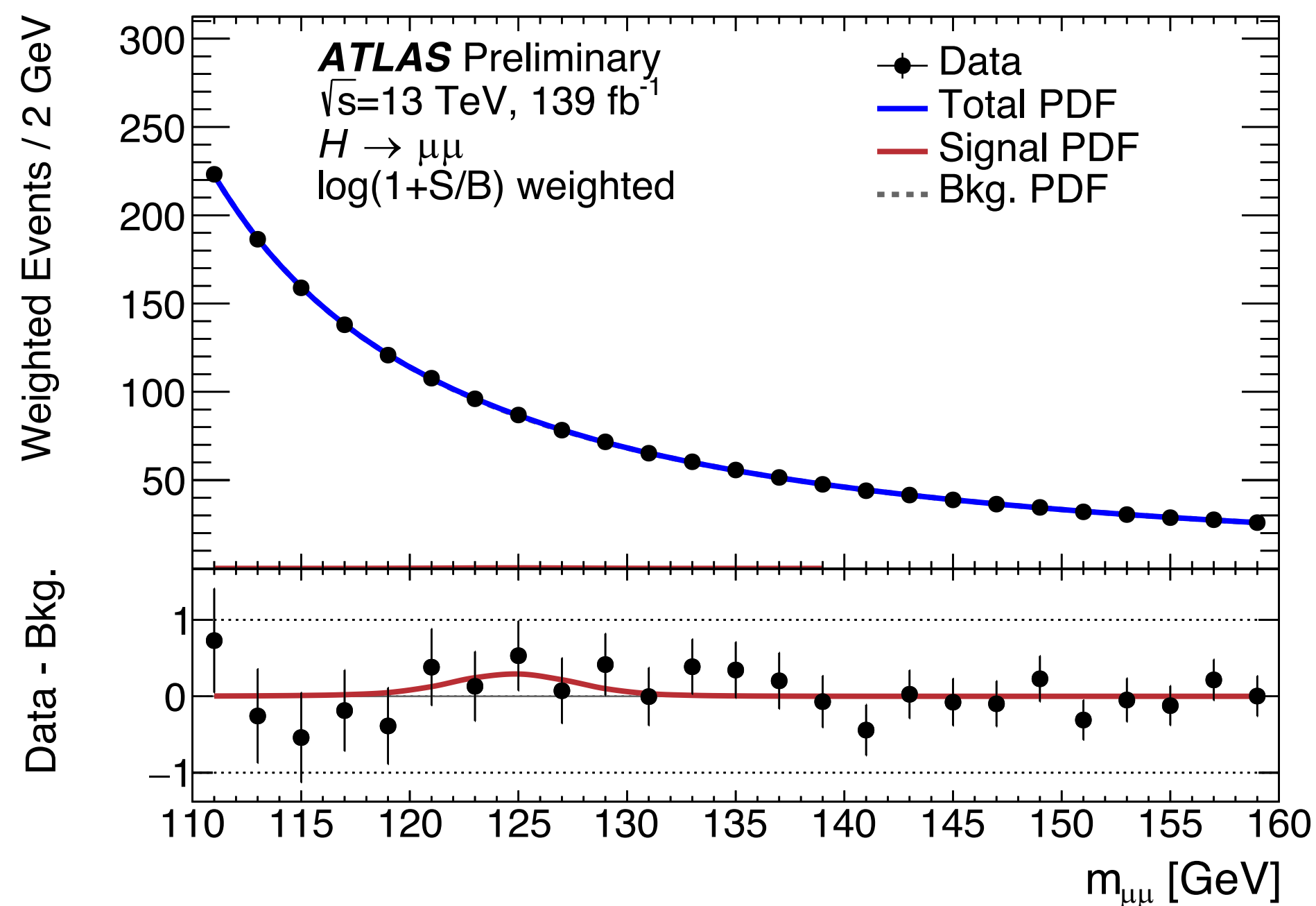
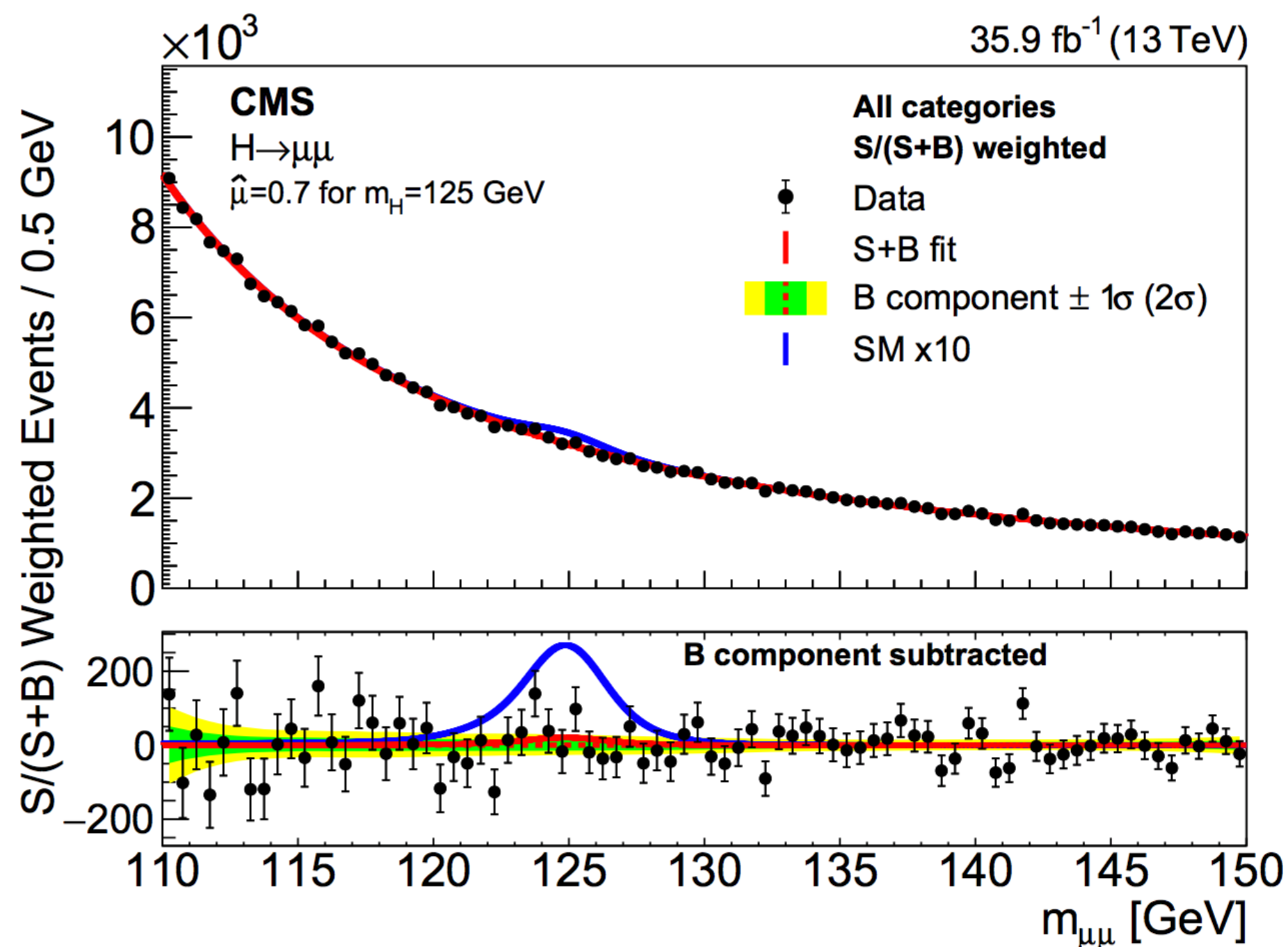
CMS

Run 1+2 (35.9 fb⁻¹)

2.92 (2.16) × SM

0.9σ(1.0σ)

Simultaneous S + B fit in all categories



H → ττ

➤ Challenge:

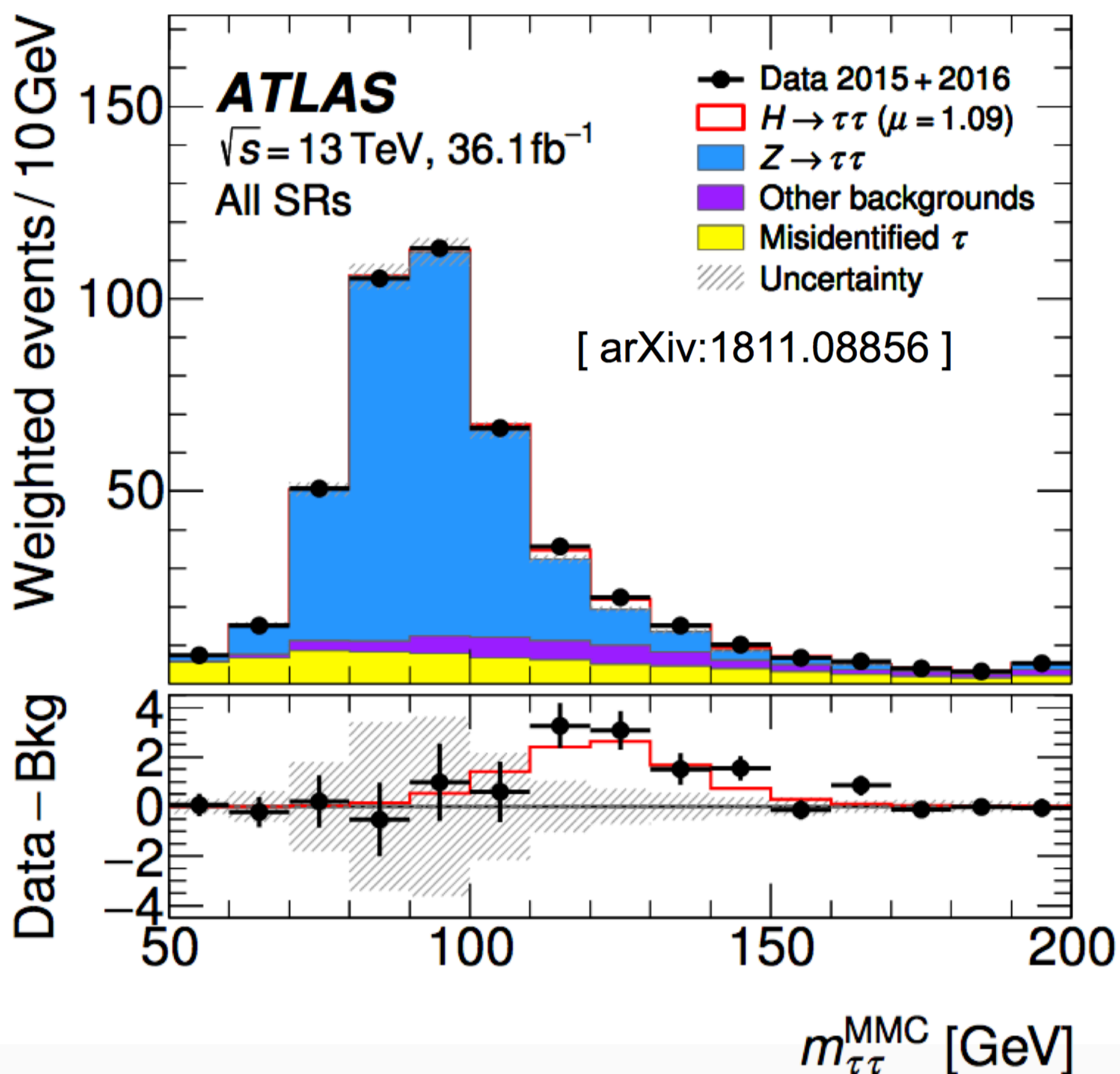
□ large background Z → ττ background and jets faking taus

➤ Strategy

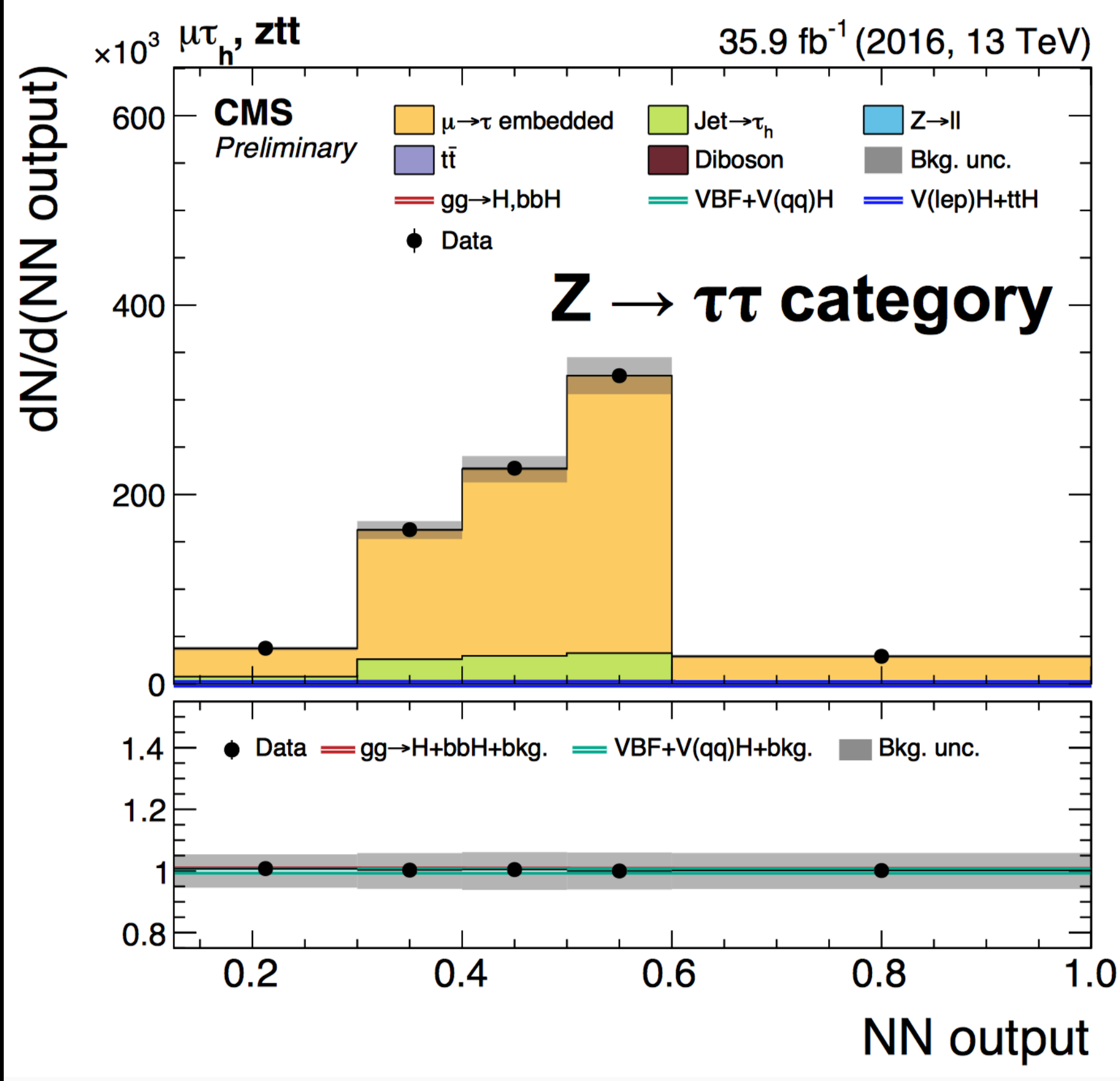
➤ CMS used τ-embedding with Z → μμ data (improve Z → ττ modelling)

➤ 90 % of total background estimated from data

di-τ mass m^{MMC}



Z → ττ control region



H → ττ

ATLAS

**obs. (exp.)
Significance**

CMS

**obs. (exp.)
Significance**

Run 2 (36.1 fb⁻¹)

4.4σ (4.1σ)

Run 2 (77.4 fb⁻¹)

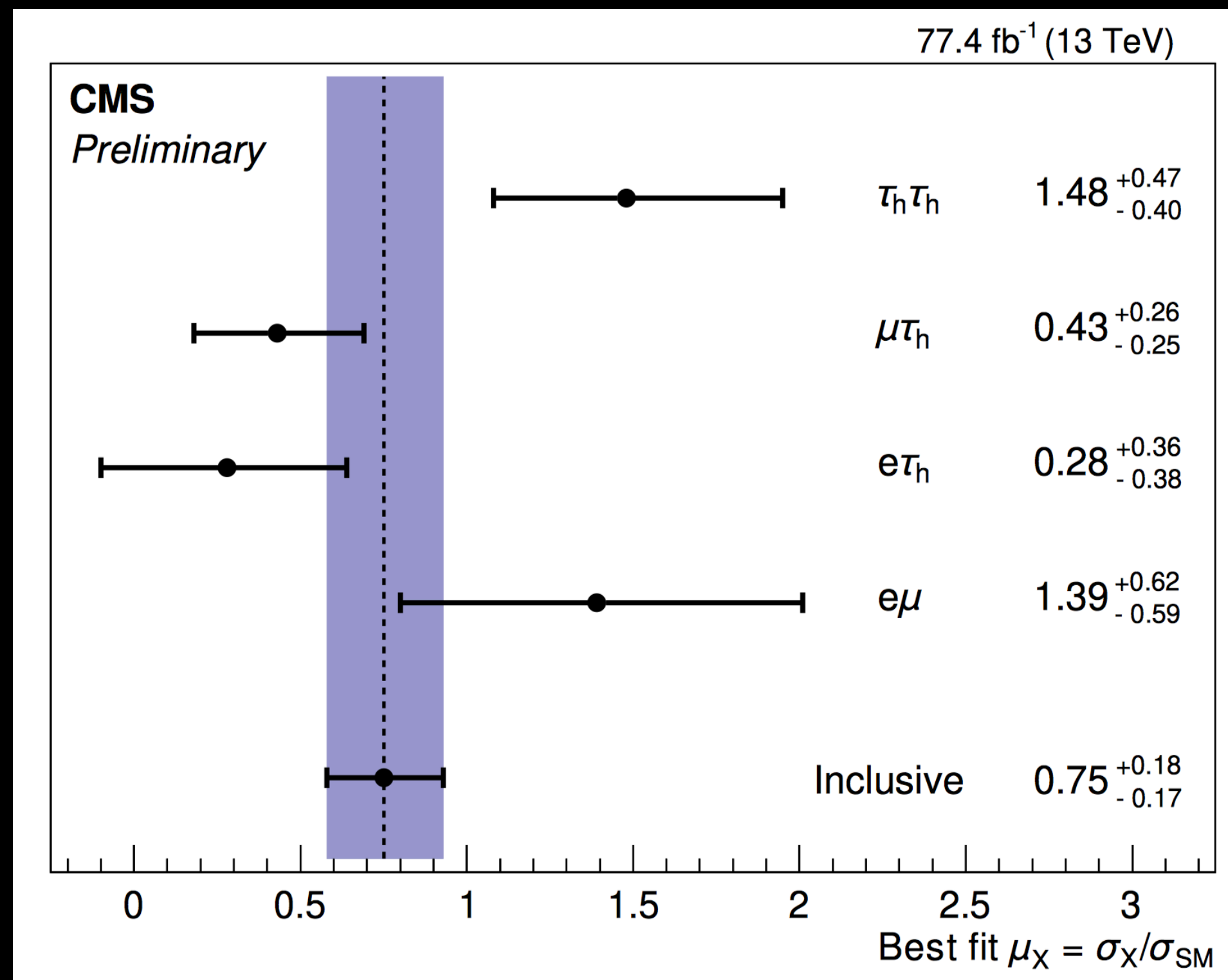
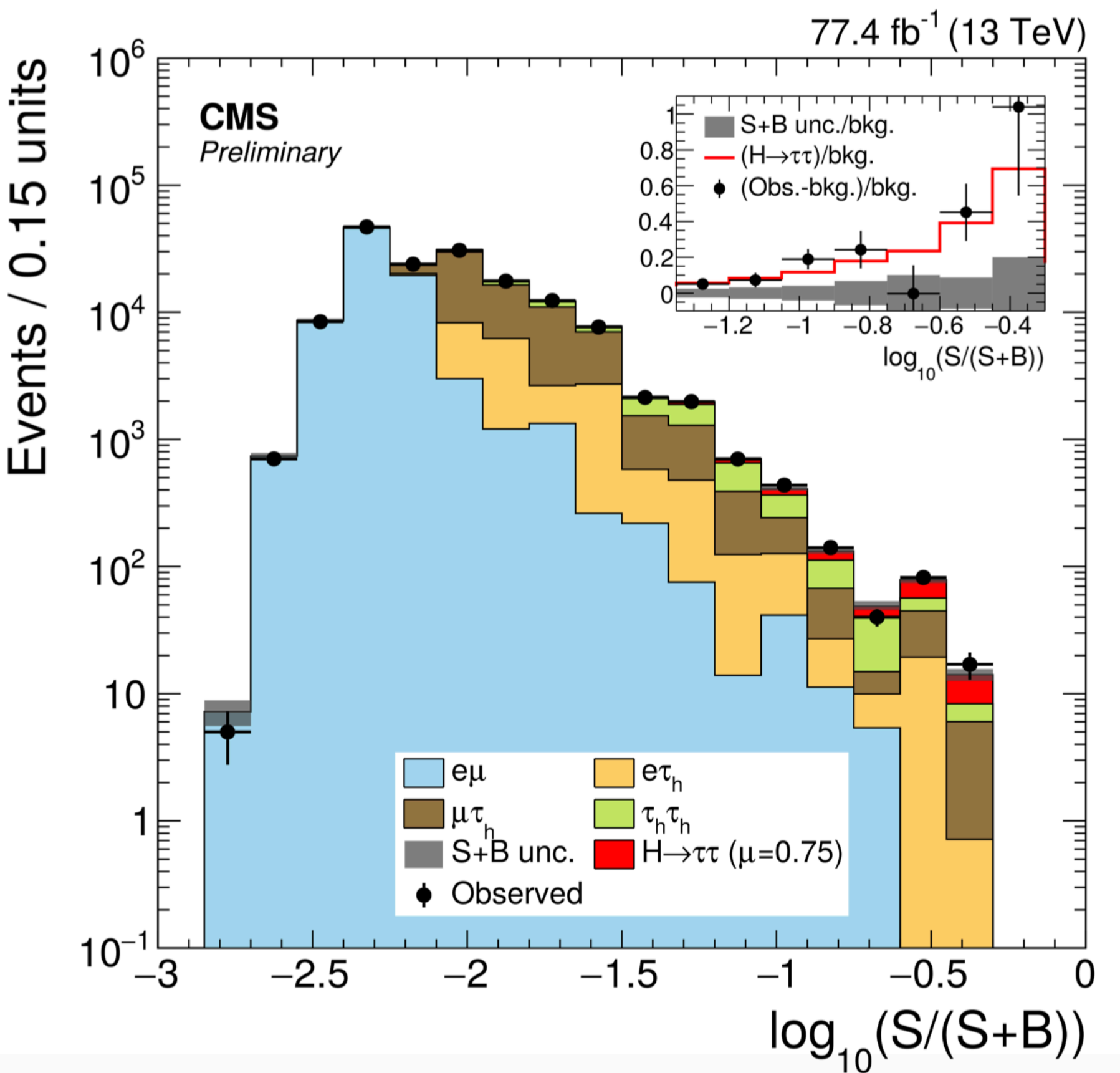
4.7σ (6.6σ)

Run1+Run2

6.4σ (5.4σ)

Run1+Run2 (35.9 fb⁻¹)

5.9σ (5.9σ)



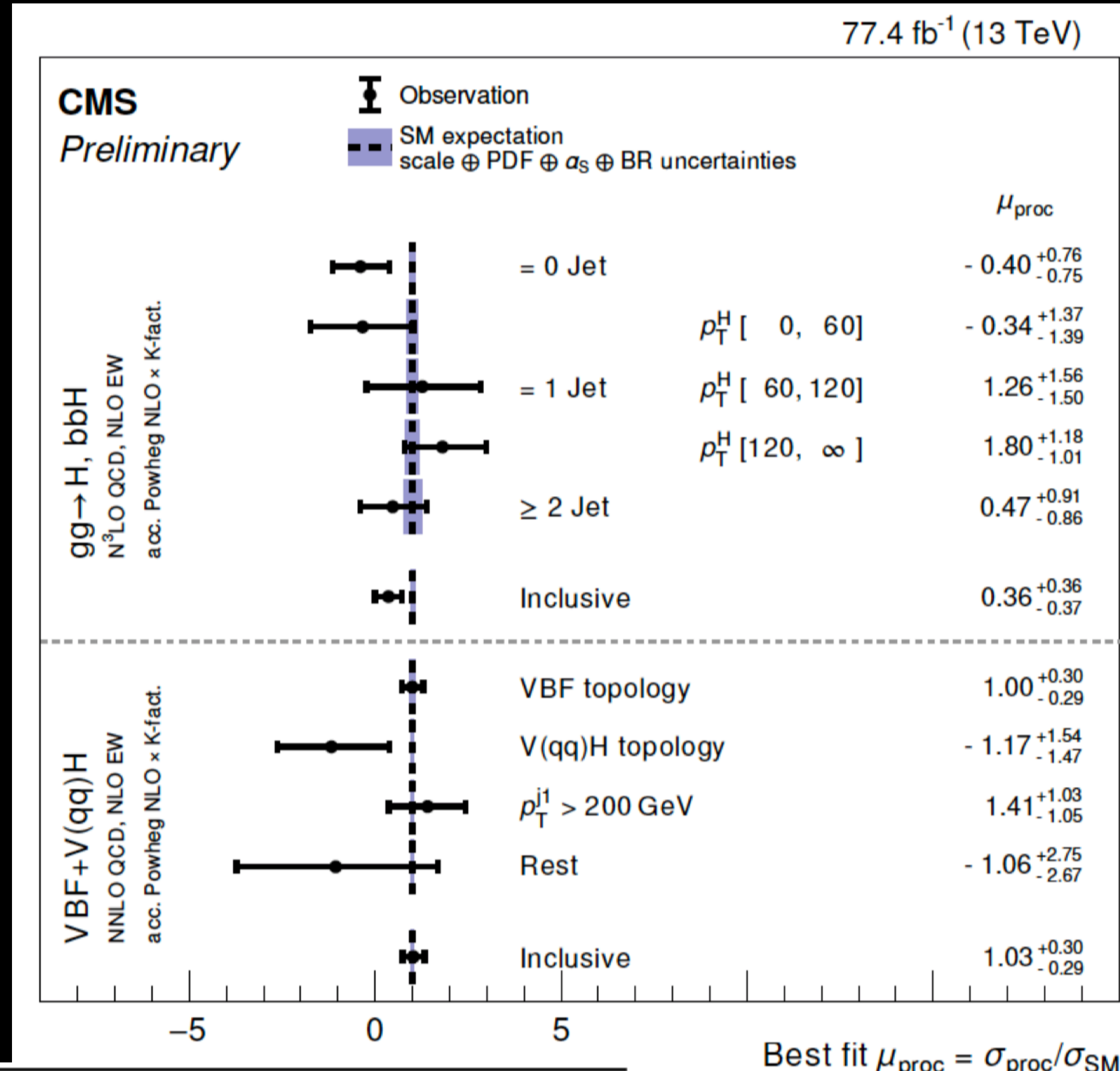
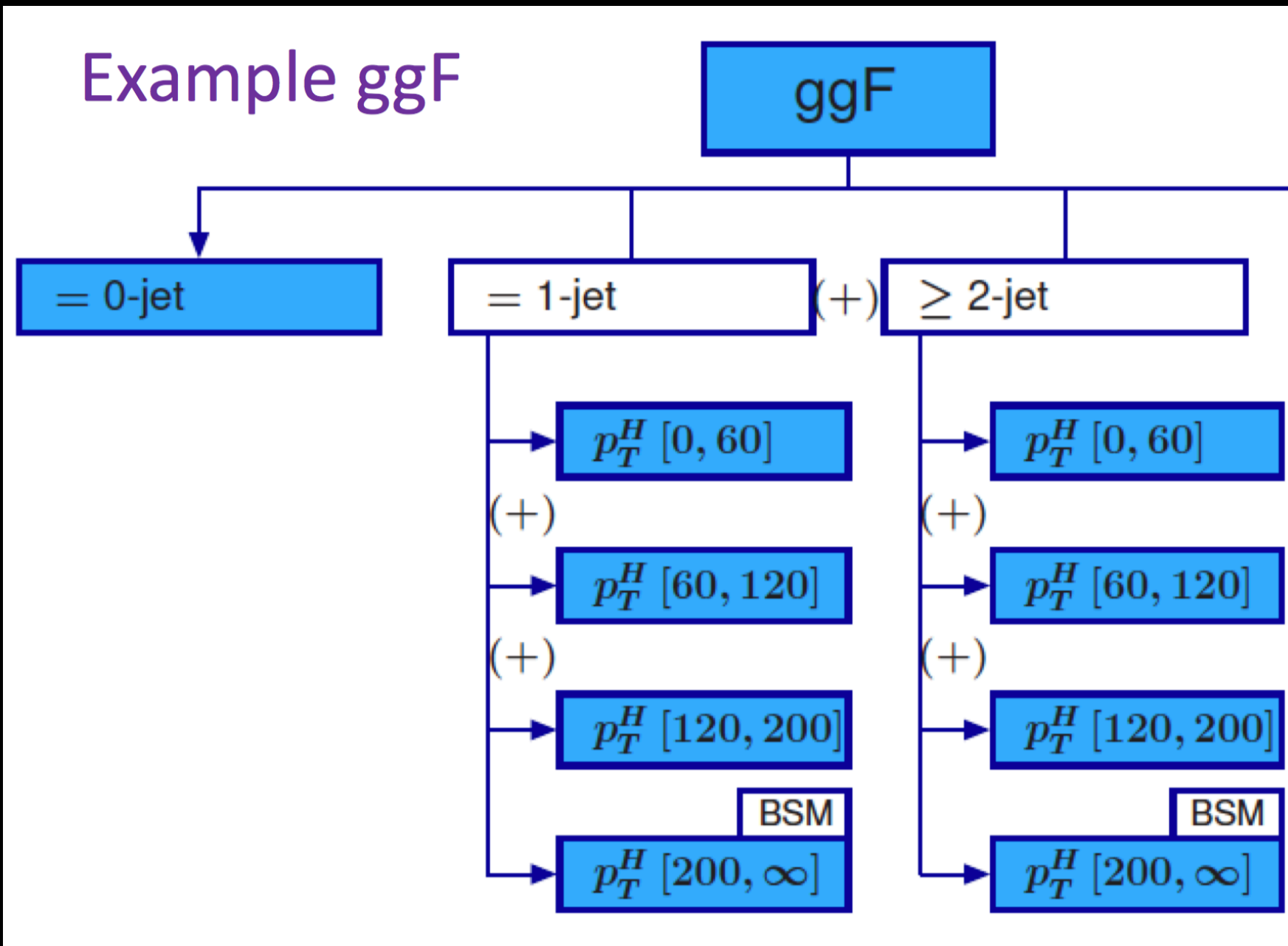
CMS PAS HIG-18-032

H → ττ simplified template cross section (STXS)

Simplified template cross section (STXS)

- Dividing phase space into bins
- By production modes
- By number of jets, $p_T(H)$, m_{jj}

CMS H → ττ STXS



ATLAS H → ττ STXS

Process	Particle-level selection	σ [pb]	σ^{SM} [pb]
ggF	$N_{\text{jets}} \geq 1, 60 < p_T^H < 120 \text{ GeV}, y_H < 2.5$	1.79 ± 0.53 (stat.) ± 0.74 (syst.)	0.40 ± 0.05
ggF	$N_{\text{jets}} \geq 1, p_T^H > 120 \text{ GeV}, y_H < 2.5$	0.12 ± 0.05 (stat.) ± 0.05 (syst.)	0.14 ± 0.03
VBF	$ y_H < 2.5$	0.25 ± 0.08 (stat.) ± 0.08 (syst.)	0.22 ± 0.01

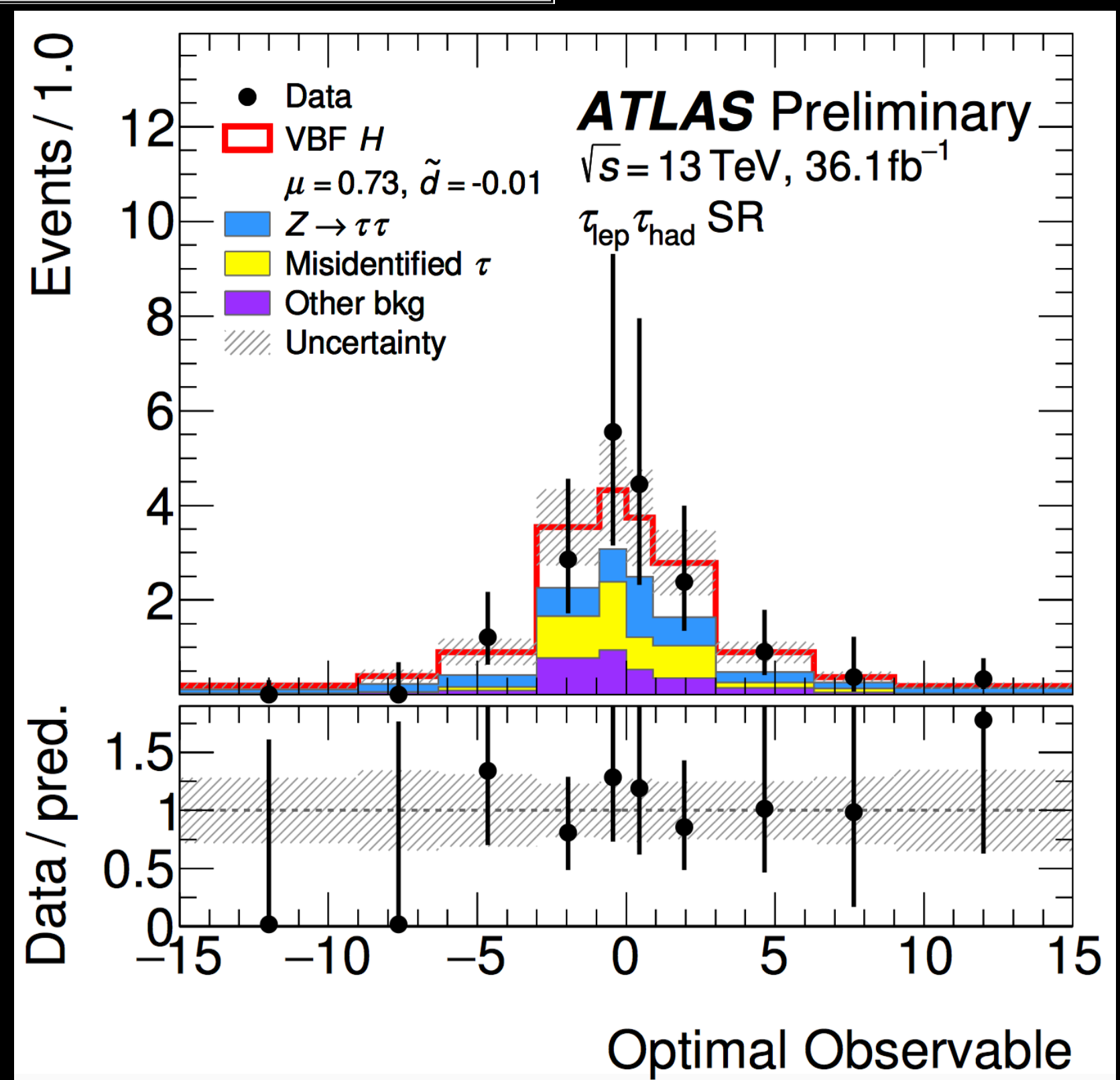
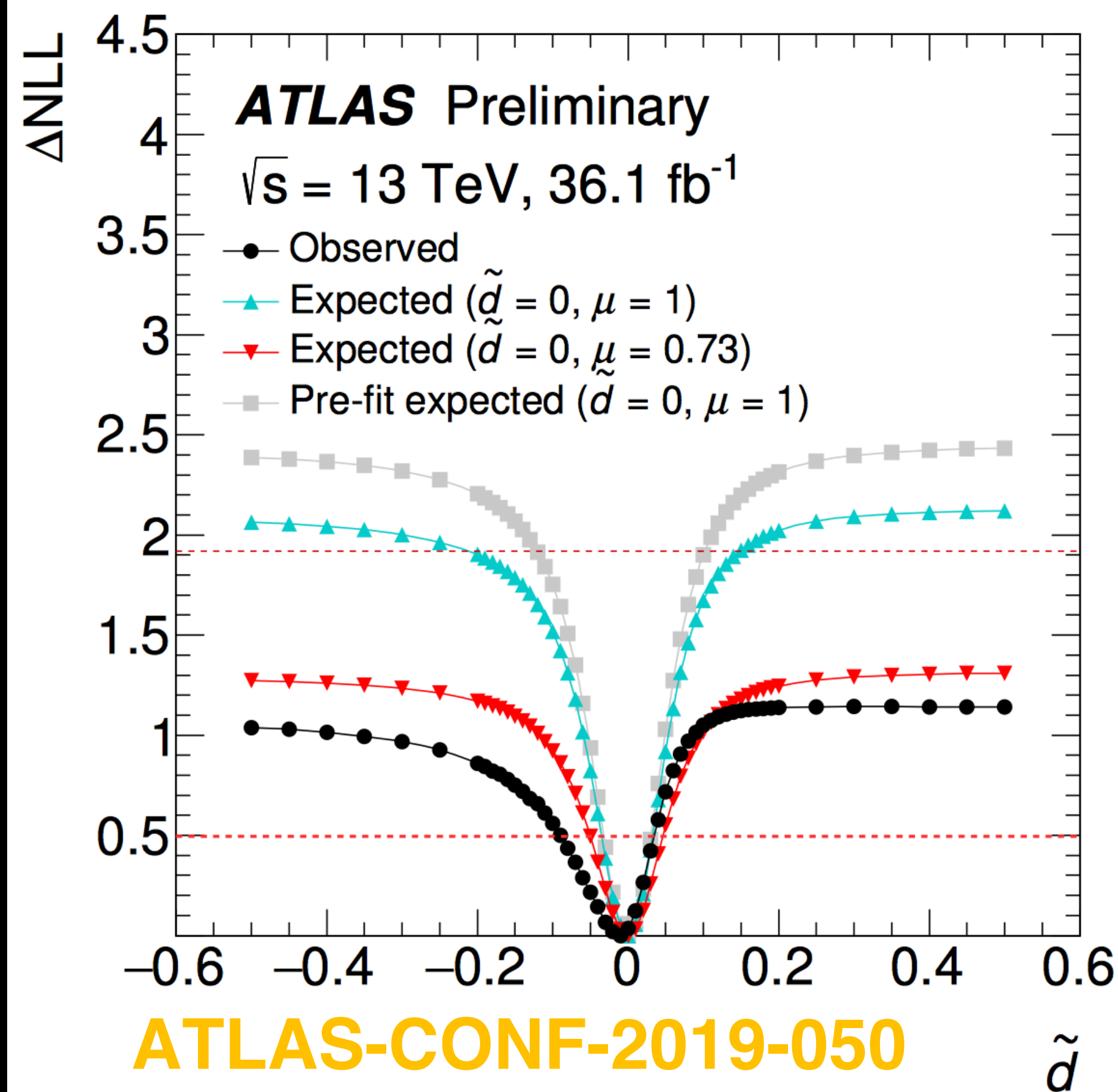
➤ Motivation: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$: Test of CP Invariance

- Observed baryon asymmetry in the universe → **CP violation**
- Any CP violation in Higgs section ?
- Construct CP sensitive Optimal observable (OO)

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = \underbrace{|\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2}_{\text{CP-even}} + \underbrace{\tilde{d} \cdot 2\text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{CP-odd}})}_{\text{CP-odd (source of CP violation)}} + \underbrace{\tilde{d}^2 \cdot |\mathcal{M}_{\text{CP-odd}}|^2}_{\text{CP-even}}$$

	$\langle \text{OO} \rangle$
$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{lep}}$ SF	-0.54 ± 0.72
$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{lep}}$ DF	0.71 ± 0.81
$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$	0.74 ± 0.78
$\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$	-1.13 ± 0.65

$$\text{OO} = \frac{2\text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{CP-odd}})}{|\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2}$$



H → ee

H → ee branching ratio
obs. (exp.) upper limits

H → eμ branching ratio
obs. (exp.) upper limits

ATLAS

$3.6 (3.5) \times 10^{-4}$

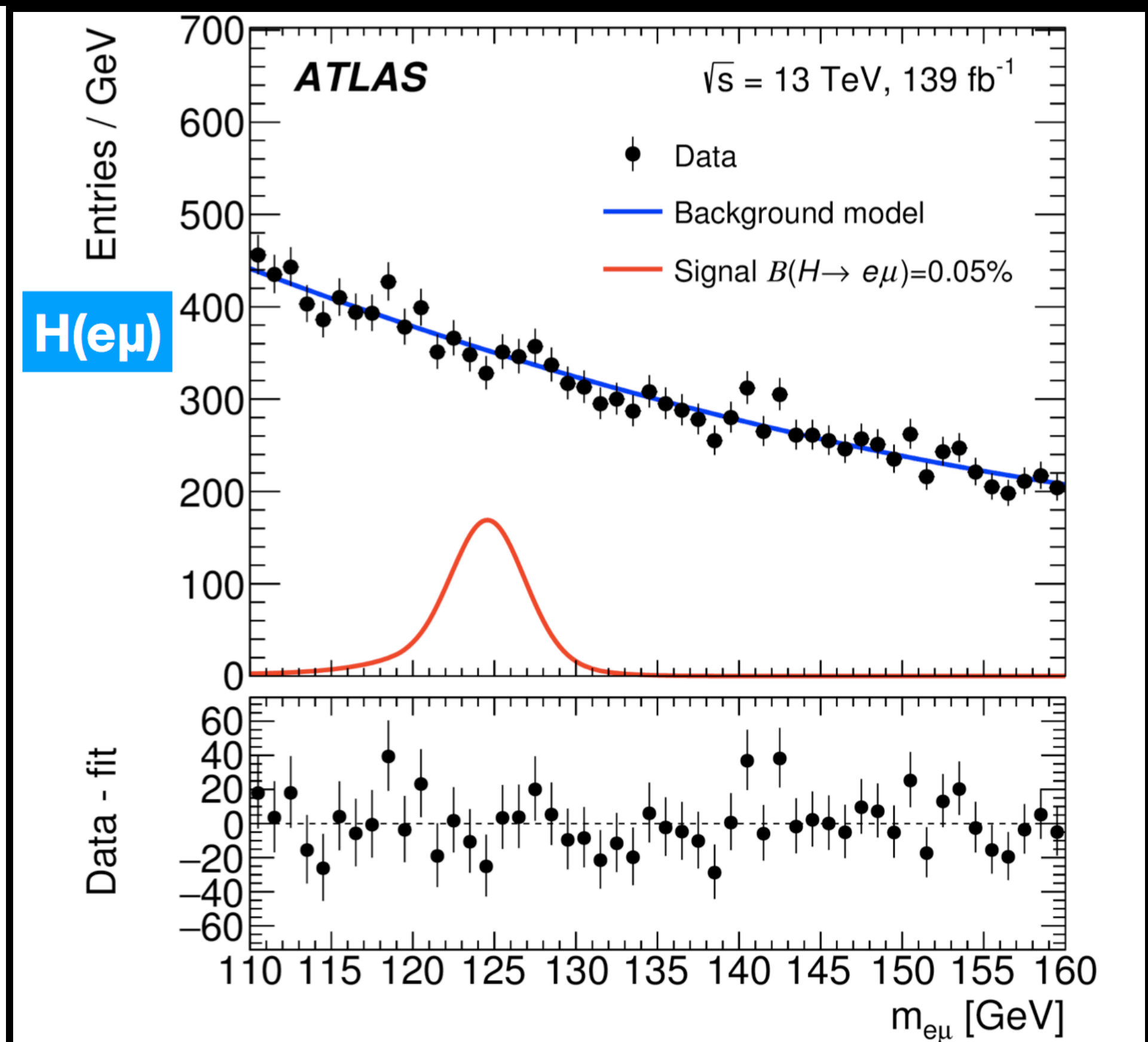
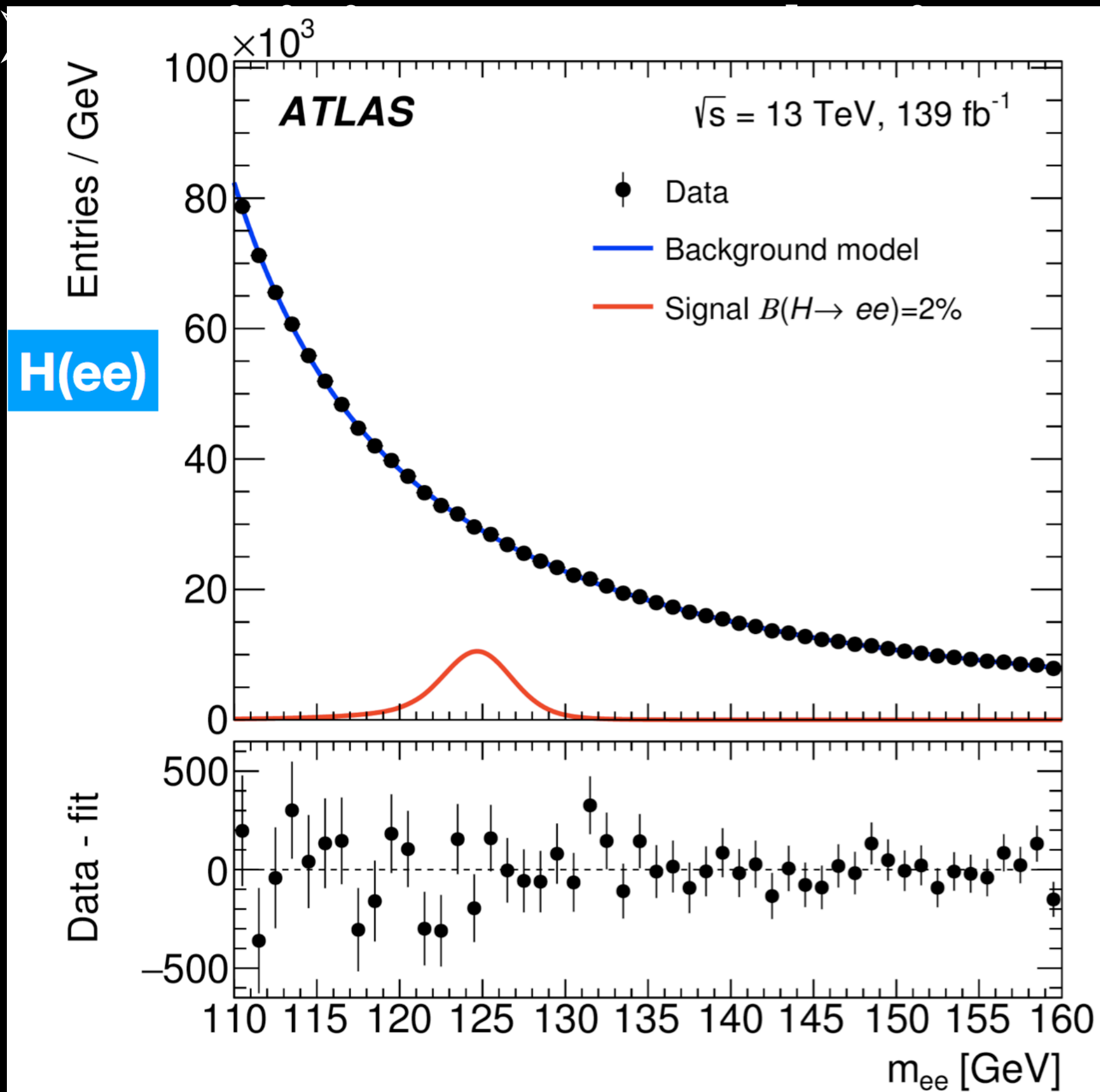
$6.1 (5.8) \times 10^{-5}$

CMS

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3.5×10^{-4}

➤ **H → ee** Branching ratio: SM expectation $\sim 5 \cdot 10^{-9}$



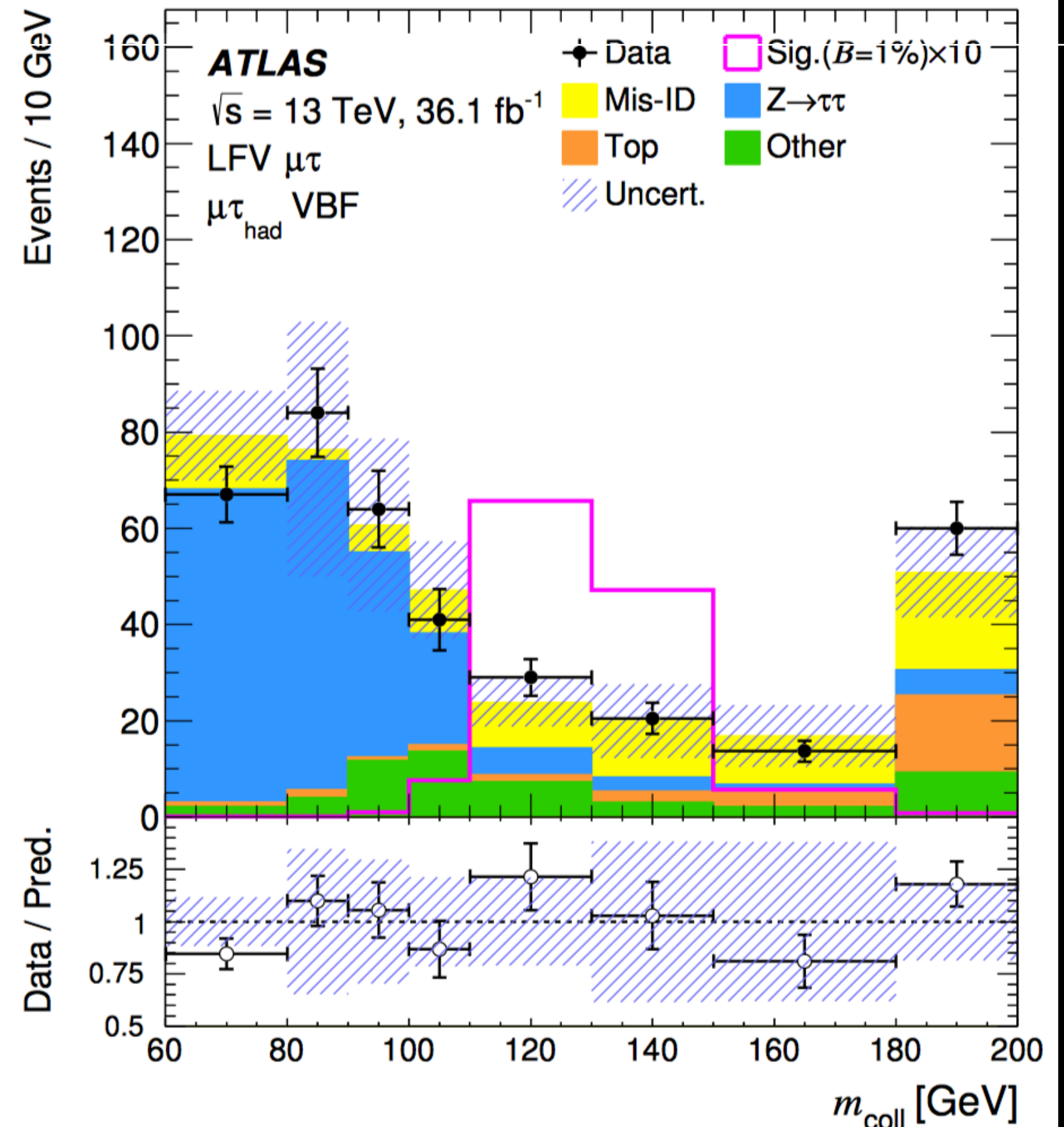
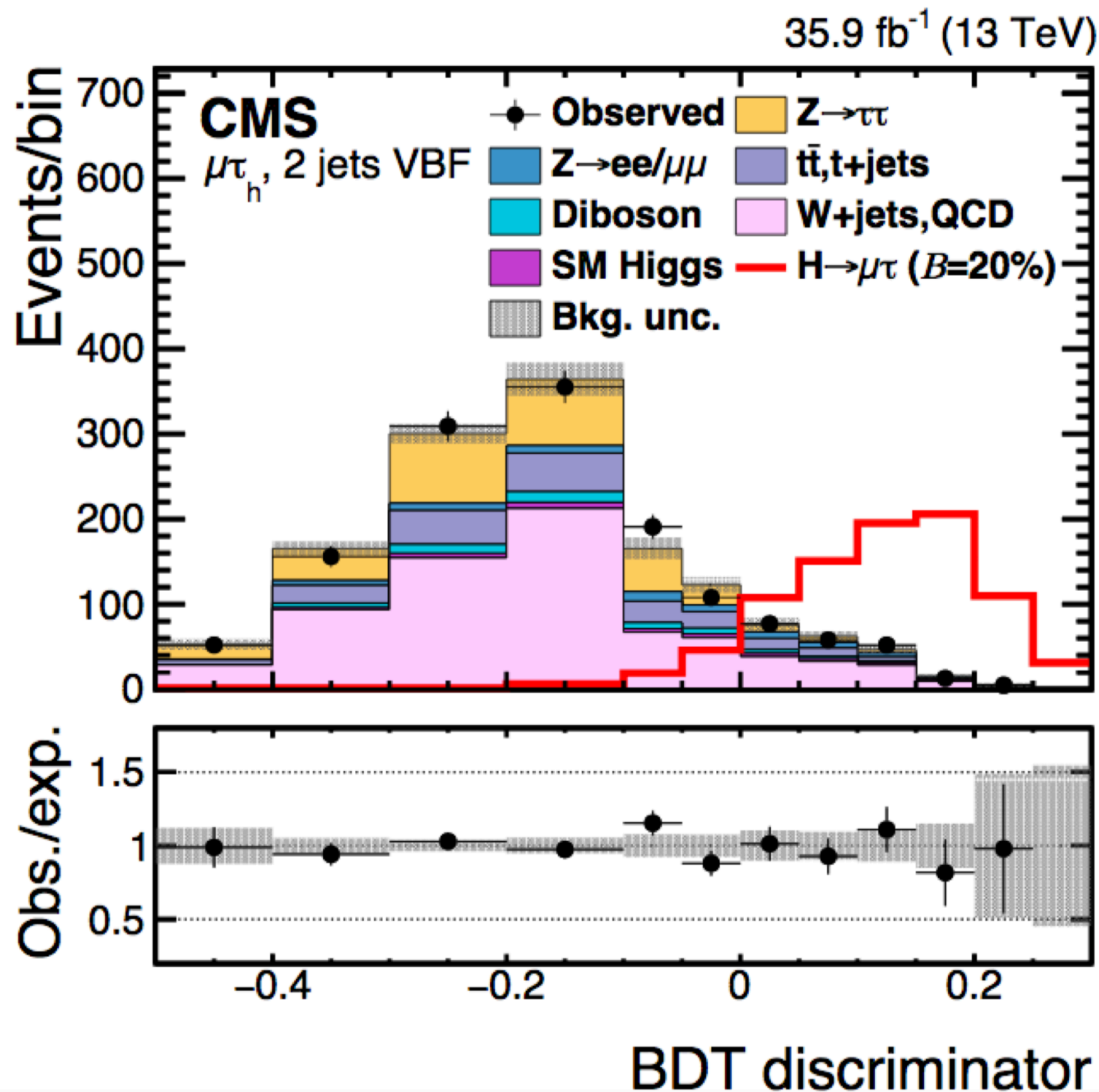
$H \rightarrow e\tau/\mu\tau$ lepton flavor violation

Dataset $H \rightarrow e\tau$ branching ratio
obs. (exp.) upper limits

$H \rightarrow \mu\tau$ branching ratio
obs. (exp.) upper limits

ATLAS	Run 2	0.47% (0.34%)
CMS	Run 2	0.61% (0.37%)

0.28% (0.37%)
0.25% (0.25%)



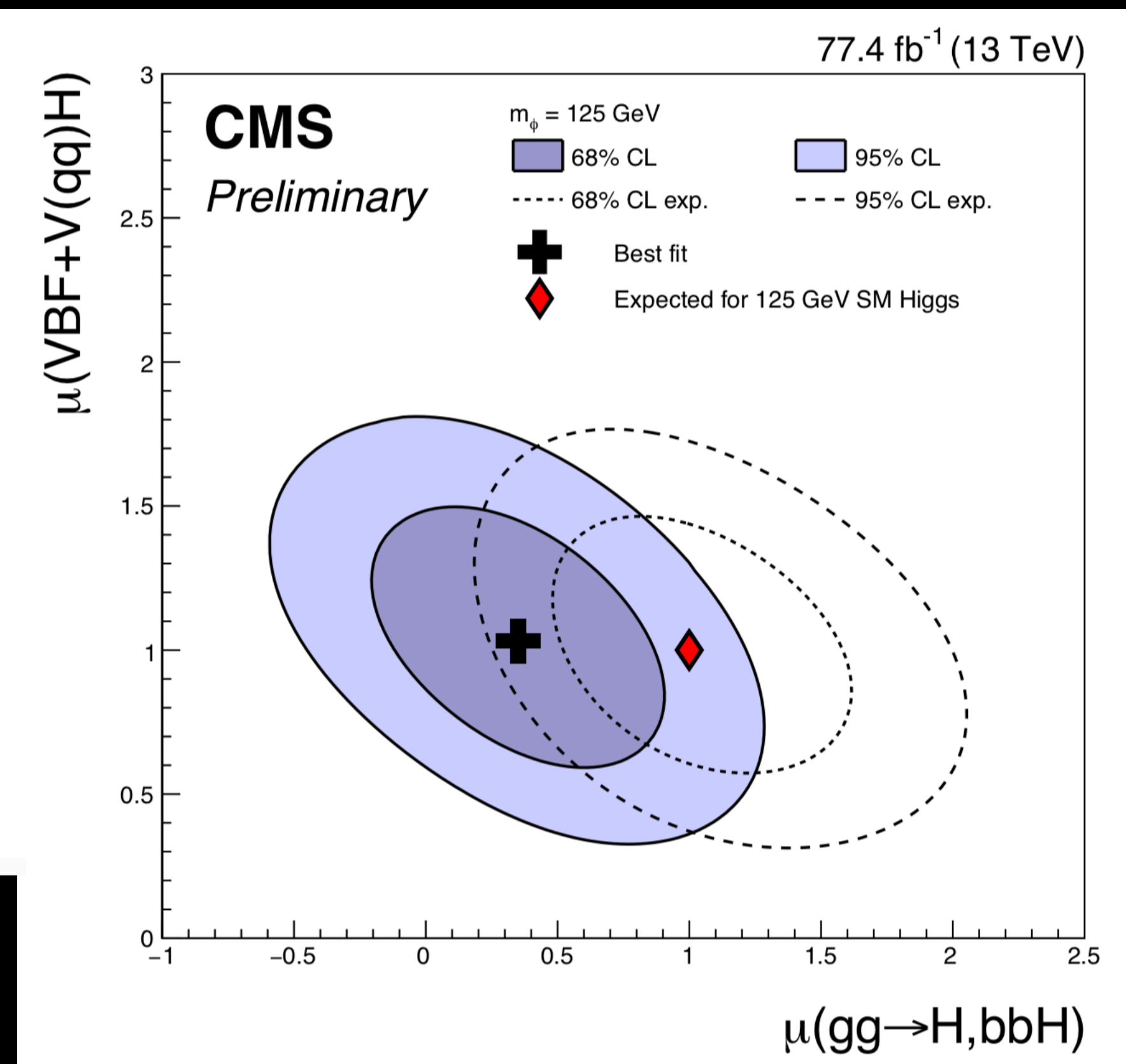
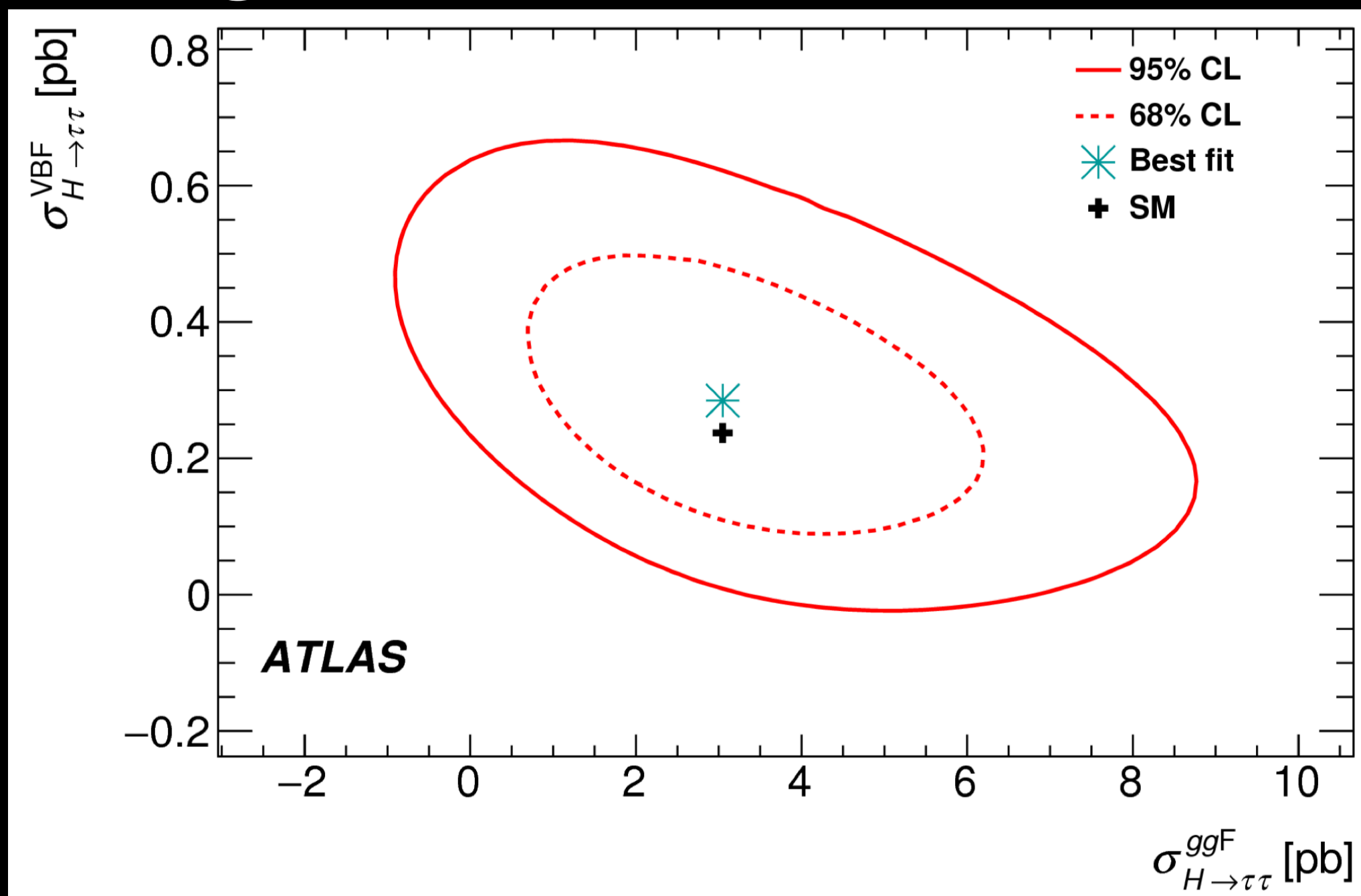
Summary

- **Observation of Higgs coupling to top and b-quarks in 2018**
 - Top 10 Physics highlight in 2018 by American Physics Society.
- **First measurements of $H \rightarrow \tau\tau/bb$ in kinematic bins (STXS)**
 - Complementary measurements to $H \rightarrow bosons$
- **Access to 2nd generation fermions is approaching**
 - $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$: remarkable sensitivity achieved ($\sim 1\sigma$)
 - $H \rightarrow cc$: more work needed on c jet tagging

$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

➤ Highlight:

- Measurements split by production mode
- Test the consistency with SM
- Agree with SM within 2σ



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CMS PAS HIG-18-032

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + i\bar{\psi} \not{D} \psi + h.c.$$

Describes everything experimentally confirmed before 2012

Higgs sector

$$+ \sum_i \bar{\psi}_i y_{ij} \psi_j \phi + h.c.$$

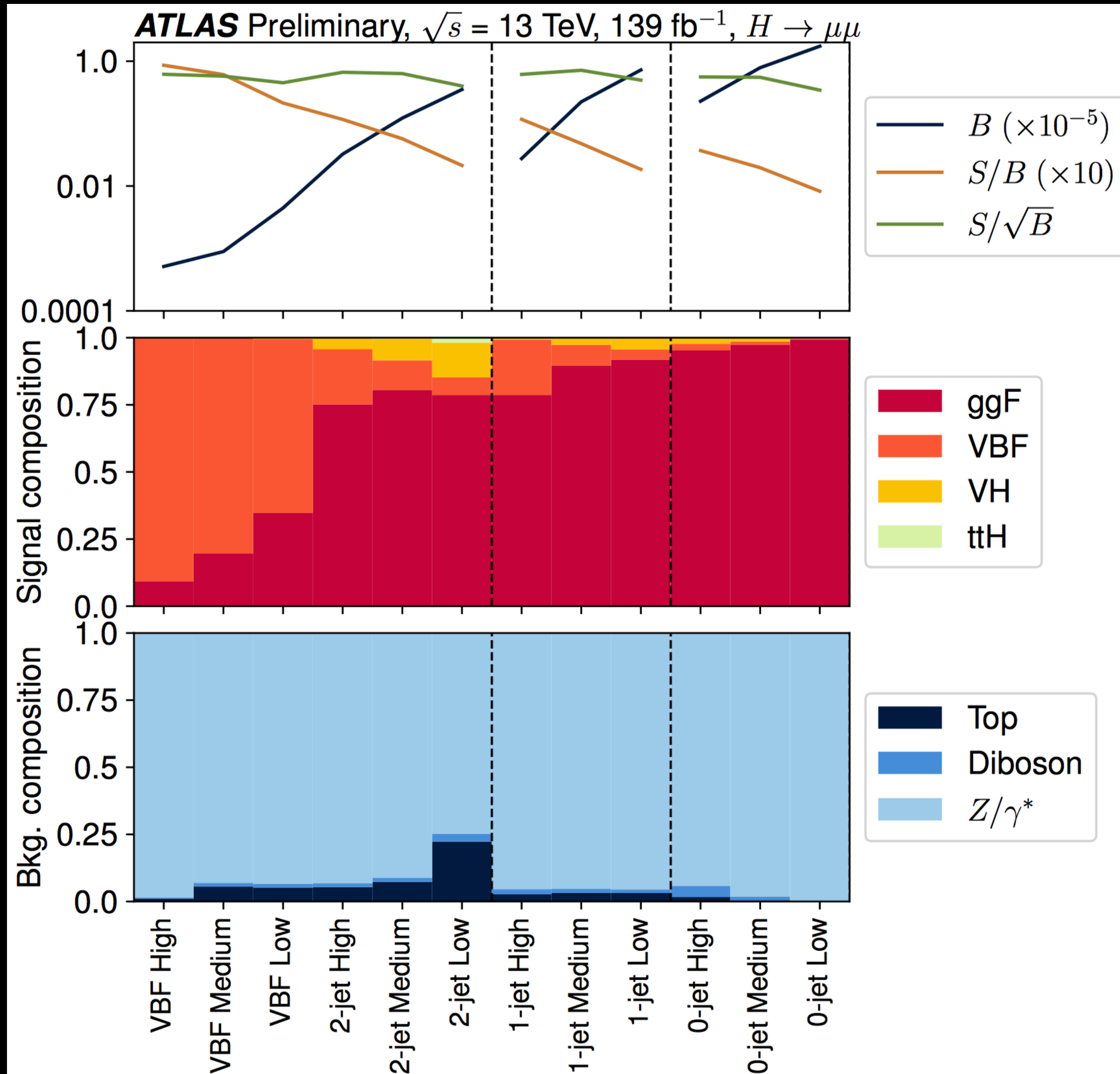
$$+ |D_\mu \phi|^2 - V(\phi)$$

Yukawa coupling with new scalar (completely new interaction type)
 $t\bar{t}H$, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ and $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ are important!

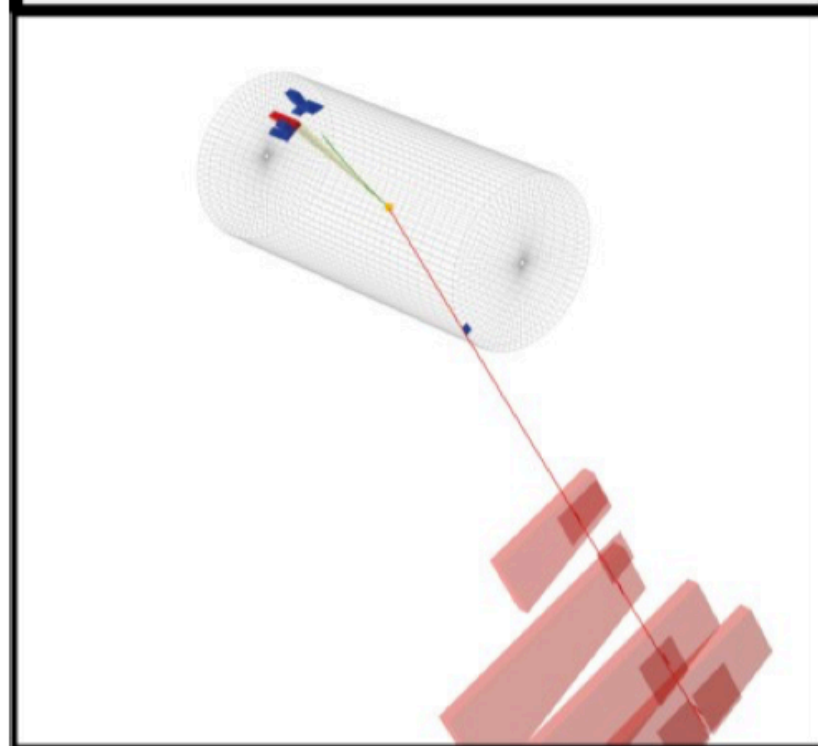
Higgs potential ($\mu^2 \phi^2 + \lambda \phi^4$)
 (to be explored by High Lumi-LHC)

Gauge boson interaction with new scalar
 (new for scalar, but known for fermions)

H → μμ category

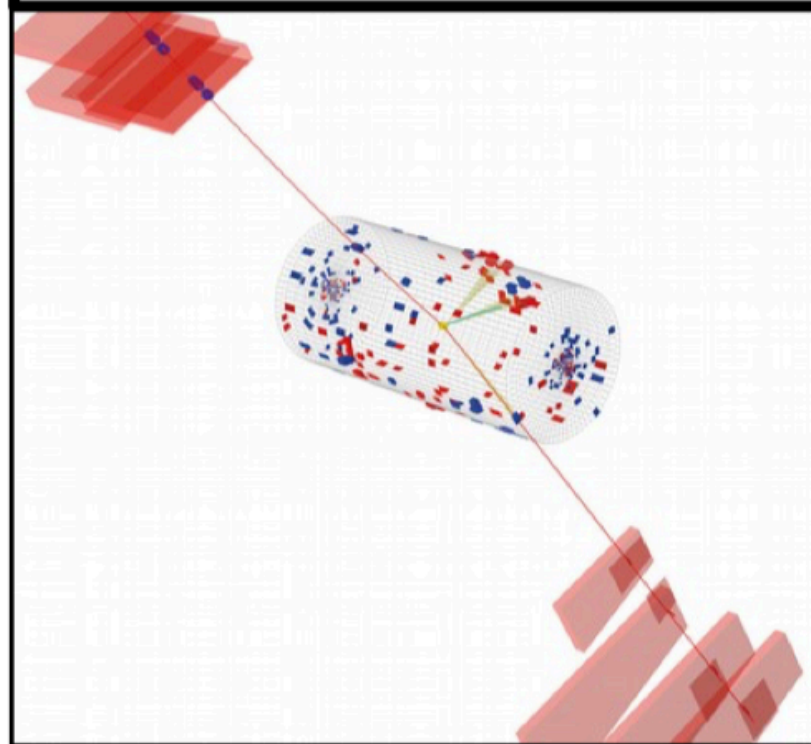


$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ Simulation

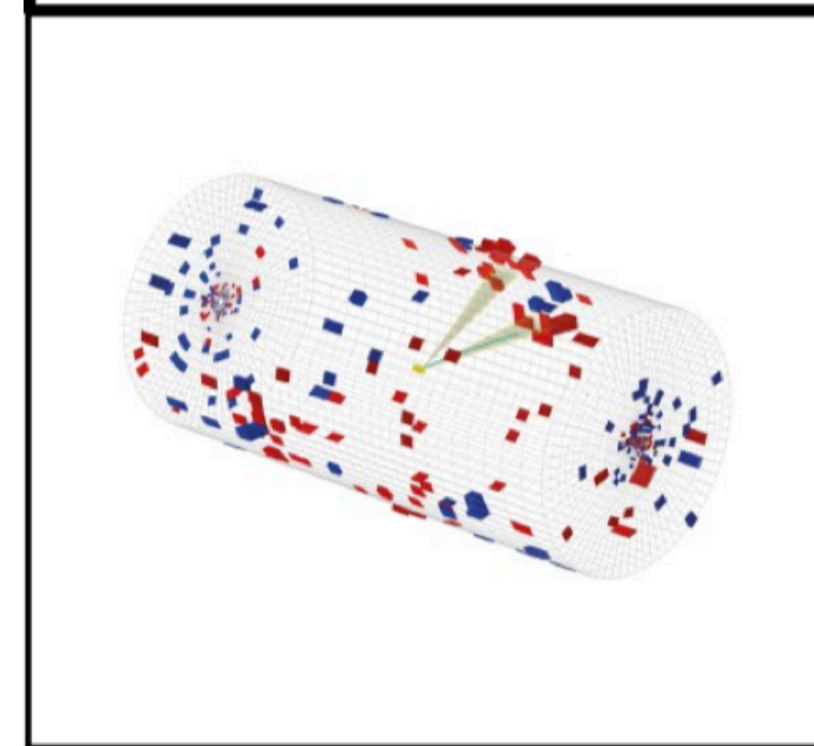


Simulate τ leptons with same kinematic properties as muons.

$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ Selection

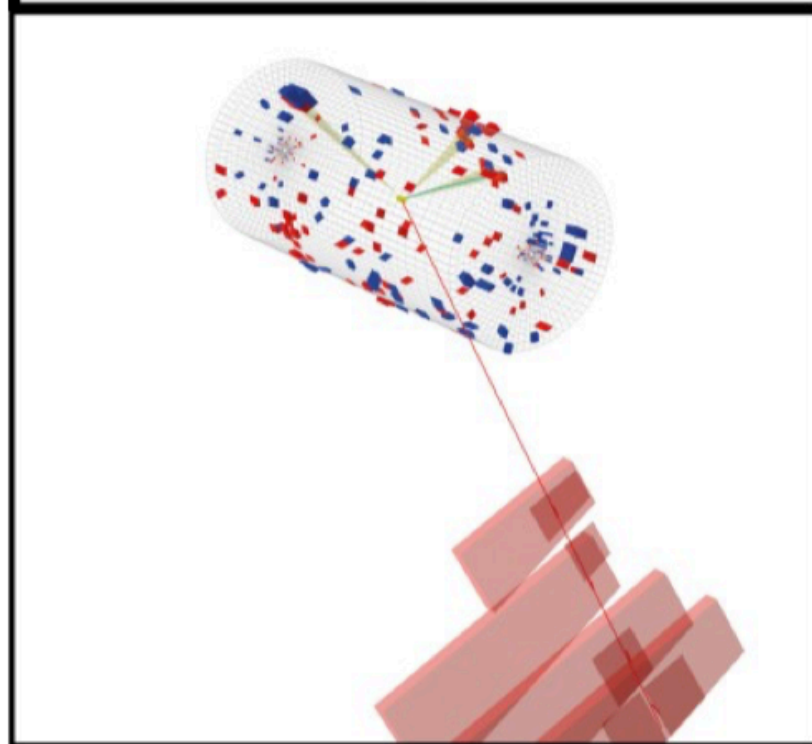


$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ Cleaning



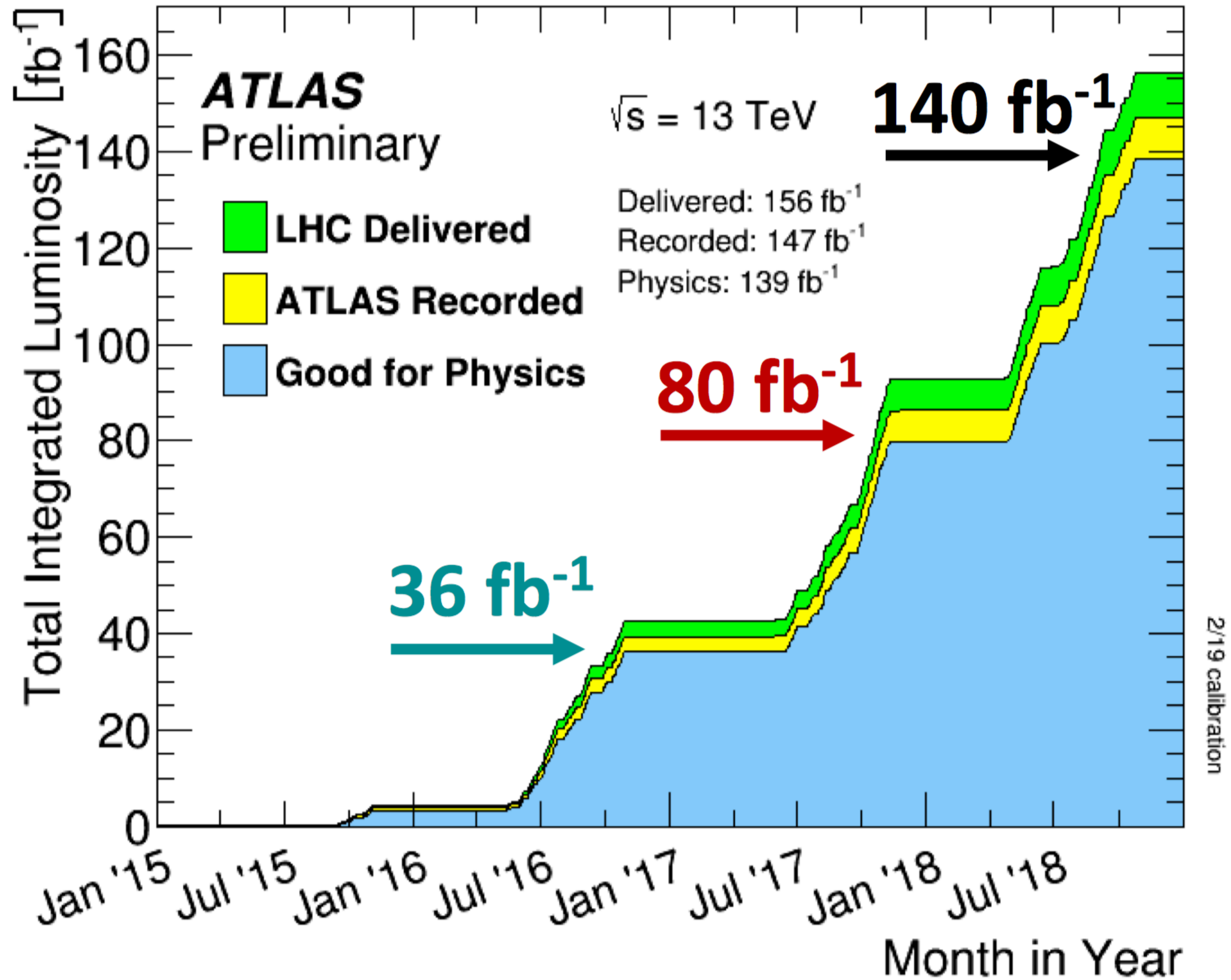
Remove energy deposits from muons.

$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ Hybrid

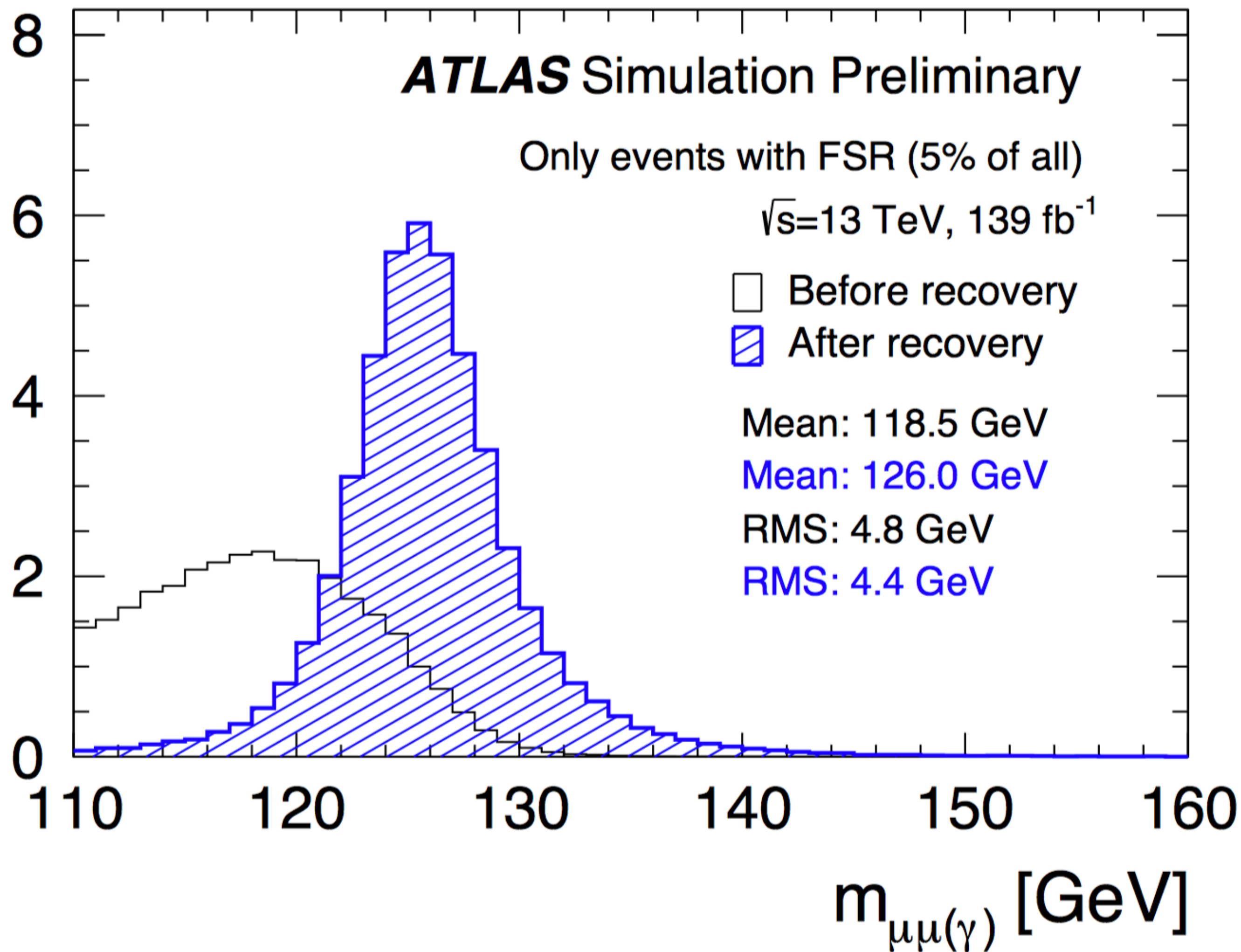


Merge simulated and cleaned event.

Proton-proton collision dataset



Events / GeV



Road map for $H \rightarrow bb$ discovery

- Started in LEP era, developed in Tevatron, found at LHC
- $H \rightarrow bb$ observation in 2018 by ATLAS and CMS
- **Top 10 highlight 2018 in American physics Society(APS)**

