

A decorative graphic in the top-left corner showing a swirling pattern of black and white, resembling a Higgs boson production or decay process.

Higgs boson pair production

in $WW^*\gamma\gamma$ using 13 TeV 36.1fb^{-1} data

with the ATLAS detector

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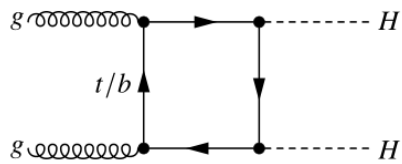
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HH Introduction

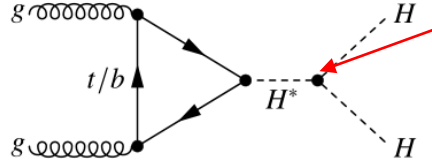
- Searches for new physics are important topics in LHC.
- Higgs pair production could be the sensitive benchmark for new physics.

(a) and (b): existing non-resonance production. (in SM ~ 33 fb @13 TeV)



(a)

Heavy-quark loop

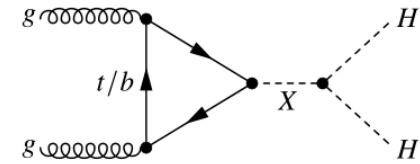


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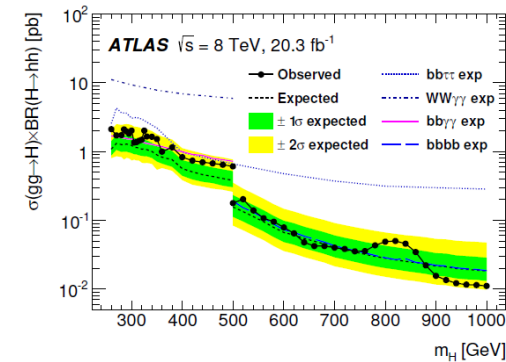
Higgs self-coupling

λ_{hhh} : Self coupling

(c): BSM scenario
Intermediate heavy resonance



(c)



- BSM models, like 2HDM (two-Higgs-doublet models) , hMSSM, can effectively enhance Higgs pair production.

8 TeV results for HH combination,
including $WW^*\gamma\gamma$:

[Phys. Rev. D 92, 092004 \(2015\)](#)

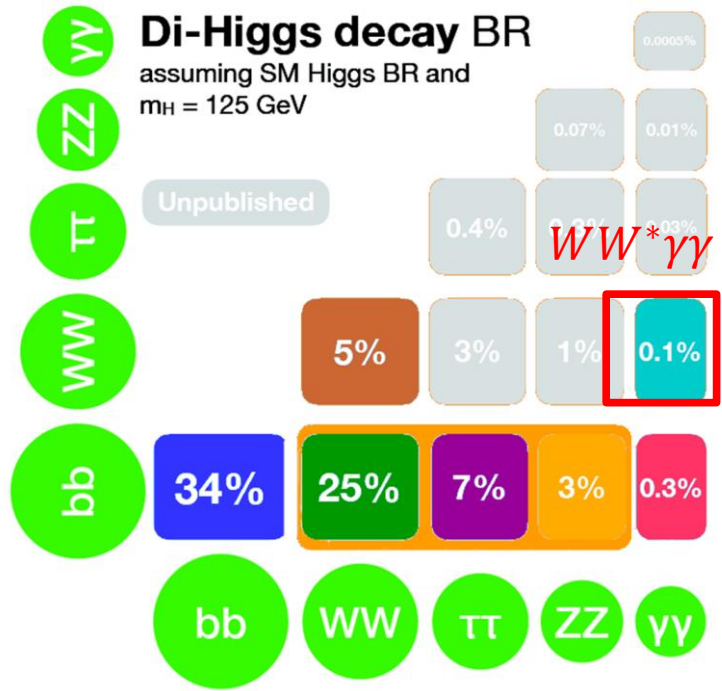
Why $WW^*\gamma\gamma$

$Br(HH \rightarrow WW^*\gamma\gamma) \approx 10^{-4}$. Limited yields while

- Clean signature diphoton: smooth spectrum provides good background estimation and mass resolution ($\sim 1.6\text{GeV}$).
- Large fraction WW; Higgs boson coupling could be sensitive for BSM.
- Good background rejection from semi-leptonic decay.

Final state: $\gamma\gamma + lv + jj$ selected

- τ from W would be too soft to catch. So for lepton only e/μ .
- Considering large dijet background,
 - Only considering low mass resonance $< 500\text{GeV}$
- Considering κ_λ and spin-2 sensitivity
 - which needs high statistics. They are studied in the b-related channels.



Phenomenal study on WW $\gamma\gamma$ potential:
[Phys.Lett. B755 \(2016\) 509–522](#)

$pp \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\gamma\gamma$	Sum	Selection+Basic Cuts	$M_{\gamma\gamma}, E_T$	Final Cuts
Signal (fb)	0.315	0.0165	0.0147	0.0107
BG[$\ell\nu\ell\gamma\gamma + \ell\ell\gamma\gamma$] (fb)	153.3	0.937	0.00394	0.000169
BG[$i\bar{i}h$] (fb)	0.0071	0.000493	0.000452	0.000051
BG[Zh] (fb)	0.175	0.0331	0.00247	0.000065
BG[hh] (fb)	0.00222	0.000132	0.000116	0.000074
BG[Total] (fb)	153.48	0.971	0.00698	0.000359
Significance(Z_0)	0.440	0.289	2.44	4.05

$pp \rightarrow q\bar{q}\ell\nu\gamma\gamma$	σ_{total}	Selection+Basic Cuts	$M_{\gamma\gamma}, M_{q\bar{q}}, E_T$	Final Cuts
Signal (fb)	1.32	0.0891	0.0671	0.0533
BG[$qq\ell\nu\gamma\gamma$] (fb)	31.59	0.581	0.0291	0.00672
BG[$\ell\nu\gamma\gamma$] (fb)	143.3	0.0642	0.00454	0.000891
BG[Wh] (fb)	0.42	0.00509	0.00335	0.00139
BG[WW_h] (fb)	0.0023	0.000210	0.000127	0.000057
BG[$i\bar{i}h$] (fb)	0.0148	0.00163	0.00111	0.000441
BG[hh] (fb)	0.00462	0.000291	0.000197	0.000155
BG[th] (fb)	0.0129	0.000479	0.000247	0.000104
BG[Total] (fb)	175.35	0.653	0.0386	0.0098
Significance(Z_0)	1.72	1.87	4.86	6.22

Data Sample

- In this report,
 - Data: 36.1fb^{-1} data collected in 2015 + 2016 used;
 - Signal: Resonant use 4 mass point: m260, m300, m400, m500;

Processes	Generator	Parton shower	Tune	PDF
Non-resonant	MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO 2.2.3	HERWIG++	UEEE5	CTEQ6L1
Resonant	MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO 2.2.3	HERWIG++	UEEE5	CTEQ6L1

- Background:
 - Major background could be $\gamma\gamma$ +jets(Sherpa), then Single Higgs background;
 - Also the continuum $lvjj\gamma\gamma$ sample used to test the shape.

Processes	Generators	QCD order	EW order	PDF	Parton shower	Normalisation
ggF	POWHEG NNLOPS	NNLO	NLO	PDF4LHC15	PYTHIA 8.186	$N^3\text{LO (QCD) + NLO (EW)}$
VBF	POWHEG	NLO	NLO	PDF4LHC15	PYTHIA 8.186	$\text{NNLO (QCD) + NLO (EW)}$
W^+H	POWHEG MiNLO	NLO	NLO	PDF4LHC15	PYTHIA 8.186	$\text{NNLO (QCD) + NLO (EW)}$
W^-H	POWHEG MiNLO	NLO	NLO	PDF4LHC15	PYTHIA 8.186	$\text{NNLO (QCD) + NLO (EW)}$
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZH$	POWHEG MiNLO	NLO	NLO	PDF4LHC15	PYTHIA 8.186	$\text{NNLO (QCD) + NLO (EW)}$
$ggZH$	POWHEG MiNLO	NLO	NLO	PDF4LHC15	PYTHIA 8.186	NLO NLL (QCD)
$t\bar{t}H$	MADGRAPH AMC@NLO	NLO	NLO	NNPDF3.0	PYTHIA 8.186	$\text{NLO (QCD) + NLO (EW)}$

Event selection

- Event requirement
 - Diphoton Trigger, data quality, Good Run List, Primary vertex;

- Photon: 2 PID Tight, isolated photons;
 - $E_T > 25\text{GeV}, |\eta| \in [0, 1.37] \cup [1.52, 2.47]; \quad \frac{E_T^{y1}}{m_{yy}} > 0.35, \frac{E_T^{y2}}{m_{yy}} > 0.25; \quad m_{yy} \in [105, 160]\text{GeV}.$

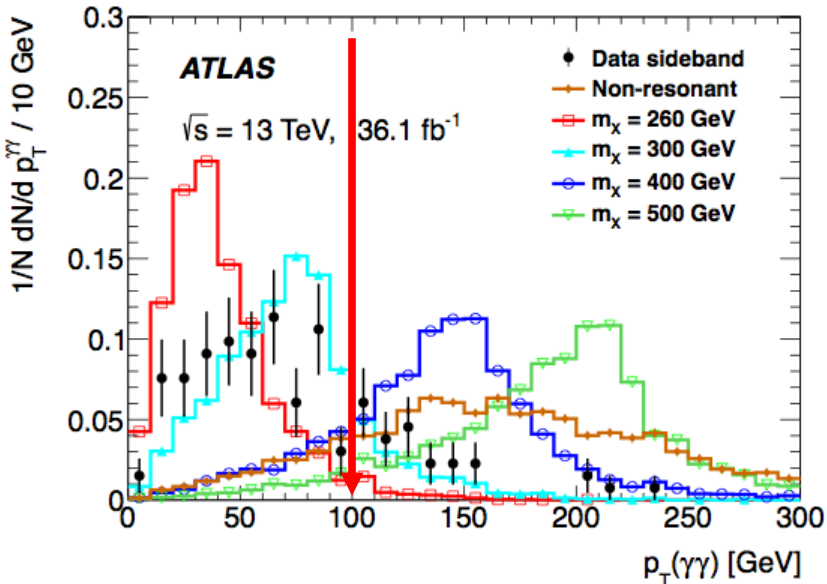
- Lepton: At least 1 e/ μ , PID:Medium
 - $E_T > 10\text{GeV}, |\eta_e| \in [0, 1.37] \cup [1.52, 2.47]; \quad |\eta_\mu| < 2.47$

- Jet: At least 2. Anti-kt algorithm, R=0.4
 - B veto: WP70, keep orthogonal with other HH.
 - $p_T > 25\text{GeV}, |\eta| < 2.5; \quad \text{JVT} < 0.59.$

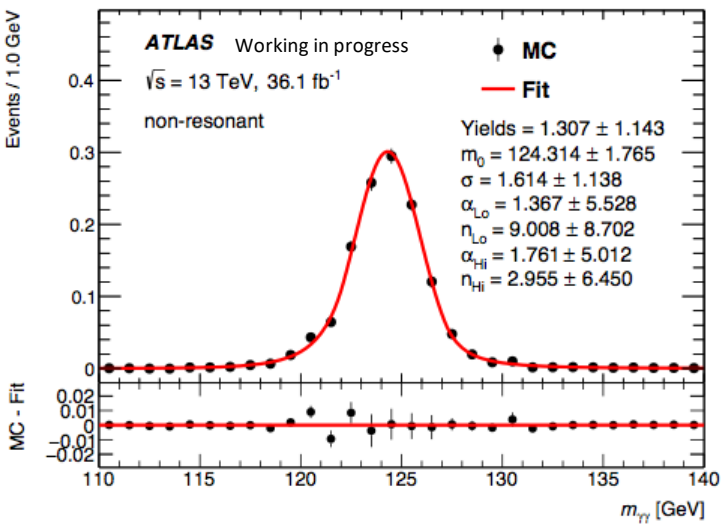
Signal Optimization

MET related variables seem no separation power so we drop it.

$p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$ would help for the higher mass points (m_{400} , m_{500} and non-resonance), since SM higgs is more boosted.



	No $p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$ selection			$p_T^{\gamma\gamma} > 100$ GeV		
m_X [GeV]	260	300	400	400	500	Non-resonant
Acceptance \times efficiency [%]	6.1	7.1	9.7	7.8	10	8.5



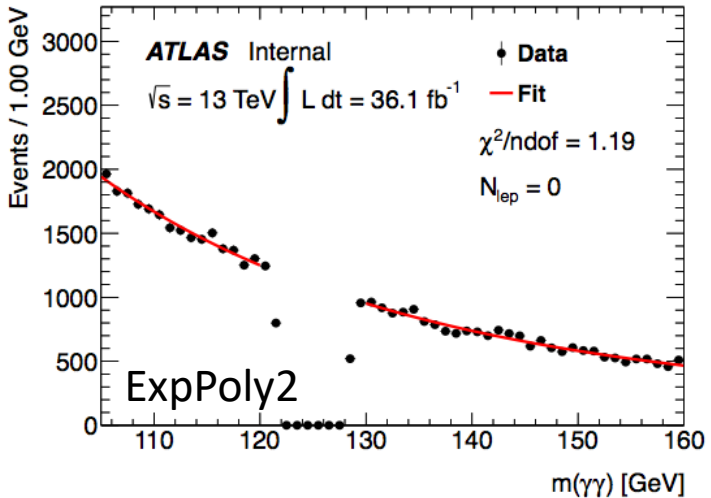
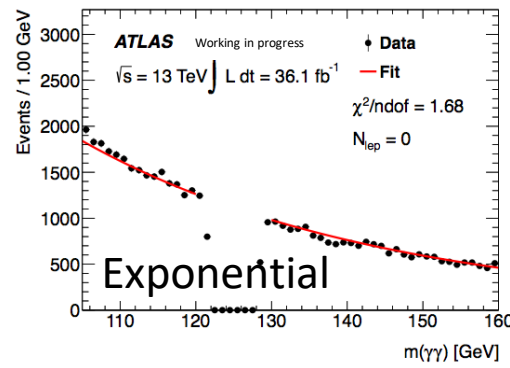
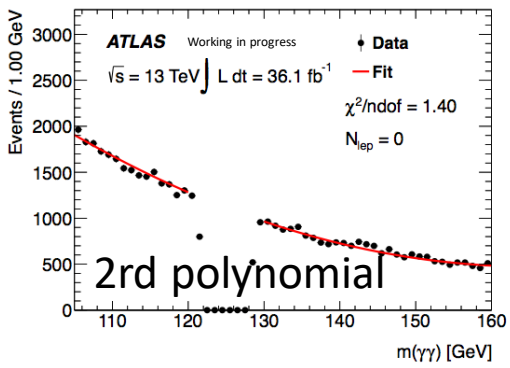
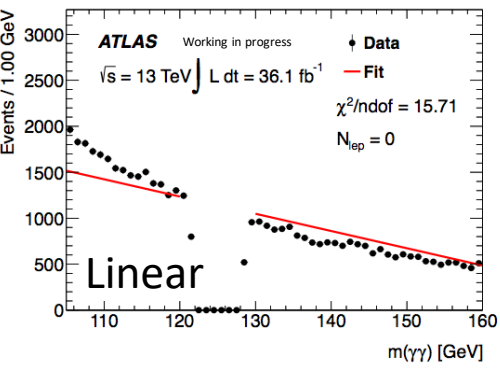
Final efficiencies turned to ~6-10% for resonance and 8.5% for non-resonance.

Signal shape modeled by Double-Sided Crystal Ball.

Background estimation

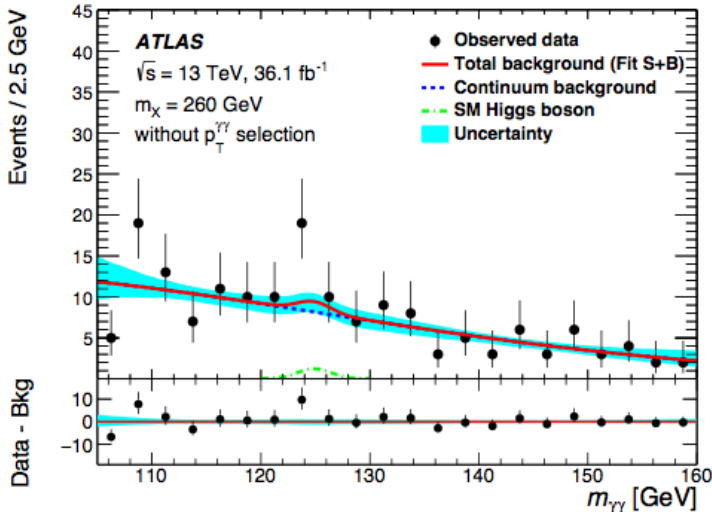
- Background shape: Fitted by 2nd-order exponential polynomial with Minimal χ^2 .
- Uncertainty for background modelling is estimated by Spurious Signal.

• Fitting a S+B model to a B-only sample.

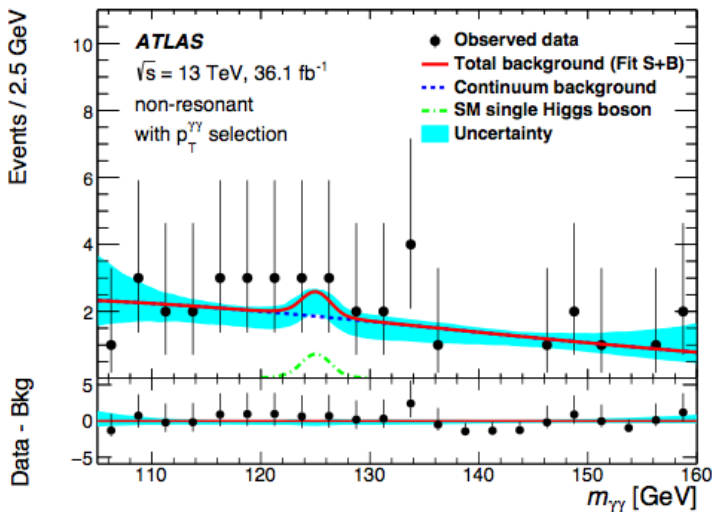


Sideband excluded the Higgs mass region
 $m_{\gamma\gamma} \in [121.5, 128.5] \text{ GeV}$, i.e. $m_H \pm 2\sigma_{m_{\gamma\gamma}}$.

Background estimation in signal region



- Background yields determined from the fit to data.
 - Extending the continuum background shape over the signal mass range.
- Error here includes both stats and systematic.



Process	Number of events	
	No $p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$ selection	$p_T^{\gamma\gamma} > 100 \text{ GeV}$
Continuum background	22 ± 5	5.1 ± 2.3
SM single-Higgs	1.92 ± 0.15	1.0 ± 0.09
SM di-Higgs	0.046 ± 0.004	0.038 ± 0.004
Sum of expected background	24 ± 5	6.1 ± 2.5
Data	33	7

Systematic uncertainty

Source of uncertainties		Non-resonant HH	$X \rightarrow HH$	Single- H bkg $p_T^{\gamma\gamma} > 100$ GeV	Single- H bkg No $p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$ selection
Luminosity 2015+2016		2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1
Trigger		0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Event sample size		1.7	2.2	1.6	1.3
Pile-up reweighting		0.5	0.9	0.7	0.6
Photon	identification	1.7	1.4	0.8	0.8
	isolation	0.8	0.7	0.4	0.4
	energy resolution	0.1	0.1	0.2	<0.1
	energy scale	0.2	<0.1	0.2	<0.1
Jet	energy scale	4.0	9.9	2.4	2.6
	energy resolution	0.1	1.6	0.5	1.0
b -tagging	b -hadron jets	<0.1	<0.1	3.8	3.6
	c -hadron jets	1.5	1.0	0.7	0.6
	light-flavour jets	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1
	extrapolation	<0.1	<0.1	0.1	<0.1
Lepton	electron	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.2
	muon	0.5	0.7	0.3	0.5
Theory	PDF on σ	2.1	-	3.4	3.4
	α_S on σ	2.3	-	1.3	1.3
	scale on σ	6.0	-	0.9	0.9
	HEFT on σ	5.0	-	-	-
	scale on $\epsilon \times A$	2.8	2.5	-	-
	PDF on $\epsilon \times A$	3.0	2.4	-	-
	parton shower on $\epsilon \times A$	7.8	29.6	-	-
	$B(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1
$B(H \rightarrow WW^*)$	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	
Total		13.6	31.8	7.1	6.8

Spurious signal uncertainty

- To scan the largest value of the fitted signal yields as n_{SS} .
- In [120, 130], step 0.5GeV

mX260	mX300	mX400	mX500	Non-res
-0.44	-0.46	-0.26	-0.26	-0.26

Dominant systematics for non-resonant are:

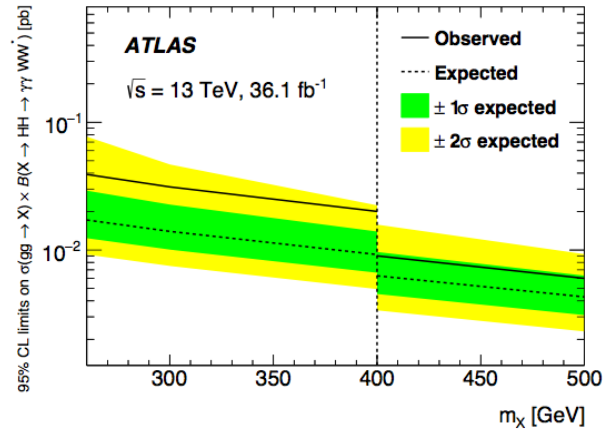
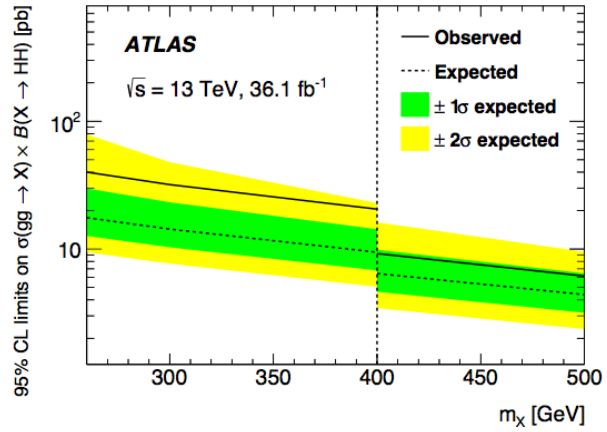
- Spurious signal
- e/γ energy scale and resolution.

The large parton shower uncertainty 29.6% occurs at $m=260$ GeV, where the jet spectrum at low- p_T is more susceptible to variations.

Results

Left/Right: without/with $p_T^{yy} > 100\text{GeV}$ cut.

- No significant excess observed.
- Expected upper limit on $pp \rightarrow HH$ is 7.7pb for non-resonant; 230(160) times of SM prediction.
 - 17.6pb(m260) to 4.4pb(m500) for resonant.
 - Statistical uncertainty dominates.



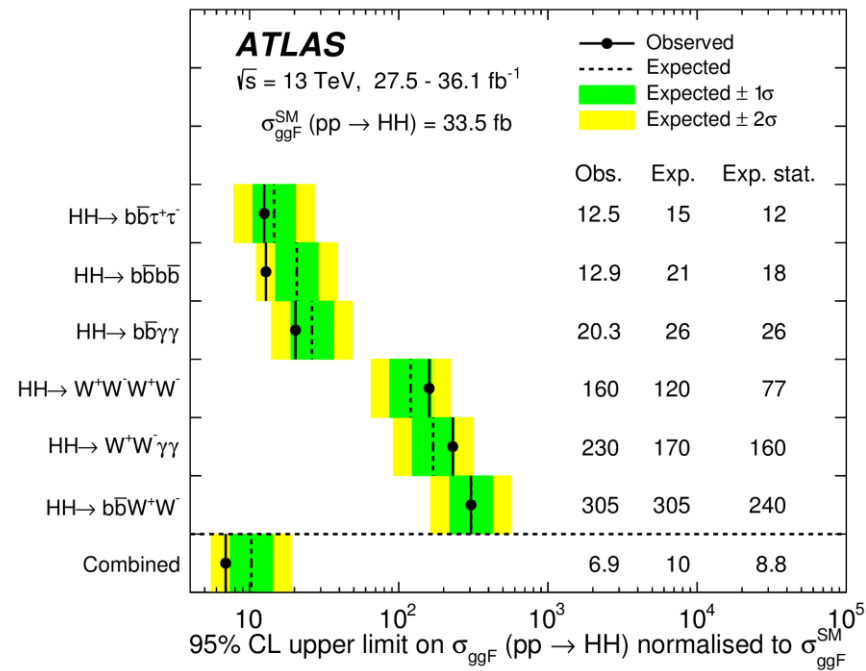
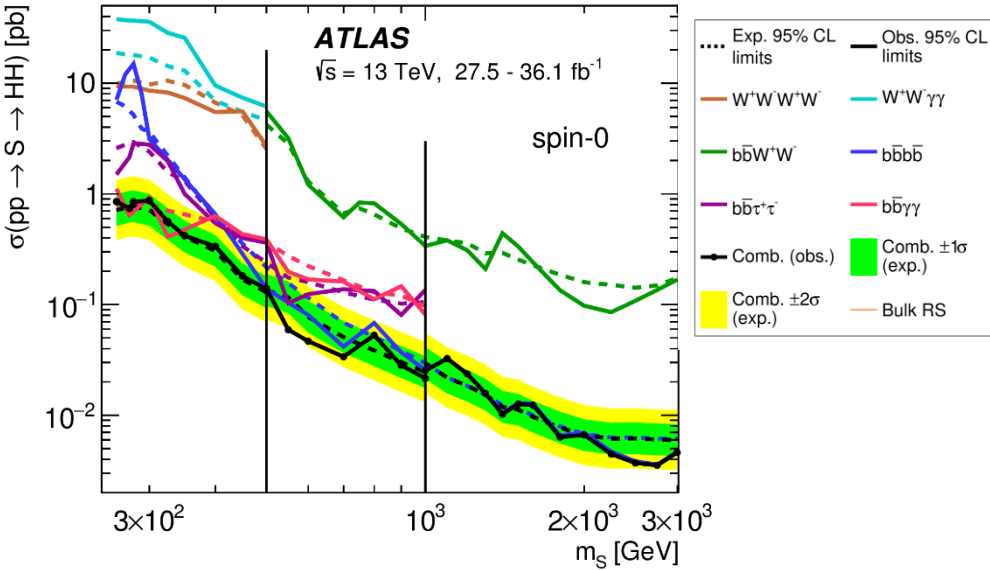
	+2 σ	+1 σ	Median	-1 σ	-2 σ	Observed
Upper limits on $\sigma(HH)$ [pb]	12	8.0	5.4	3.9	2.9	7.7
Upper limits on $\sigma(HH) \times B(\gamma\gamma WW^*)$ [fb]	12	7.8	5.3	3.8	2.8	7.5
Ratios of limits over the SM $\sigma(HH)$	360	240	160	120	87	230

Results published on [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2018\) 78: 1007](#) arXiv:[1807.08567](#).

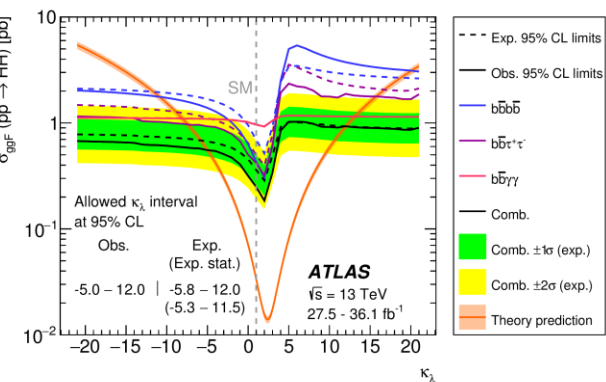
Dihiggs Combination

- $WW^*\gamma\gamma$ becomes one part of HH combination in 36.1ifb.
- Latest published on arXiv: [1906.02025](https://arxiv.org/abs/1906.02025).

For 4W study, see Shuiting's Poster;



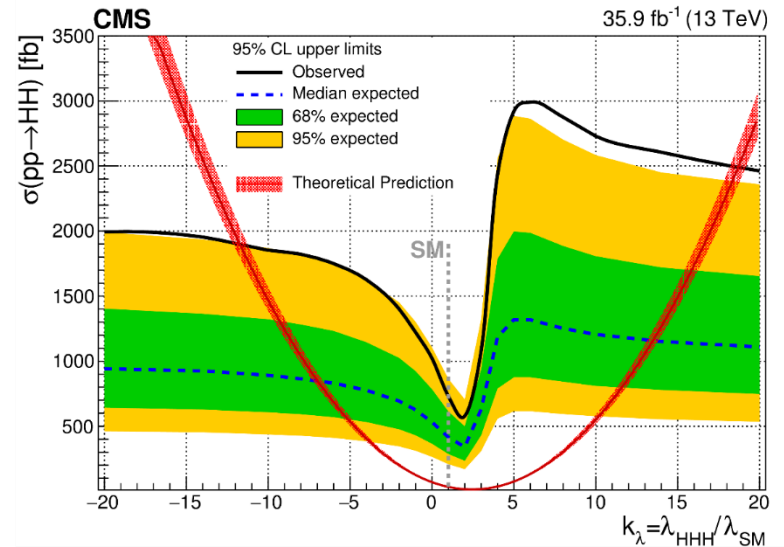
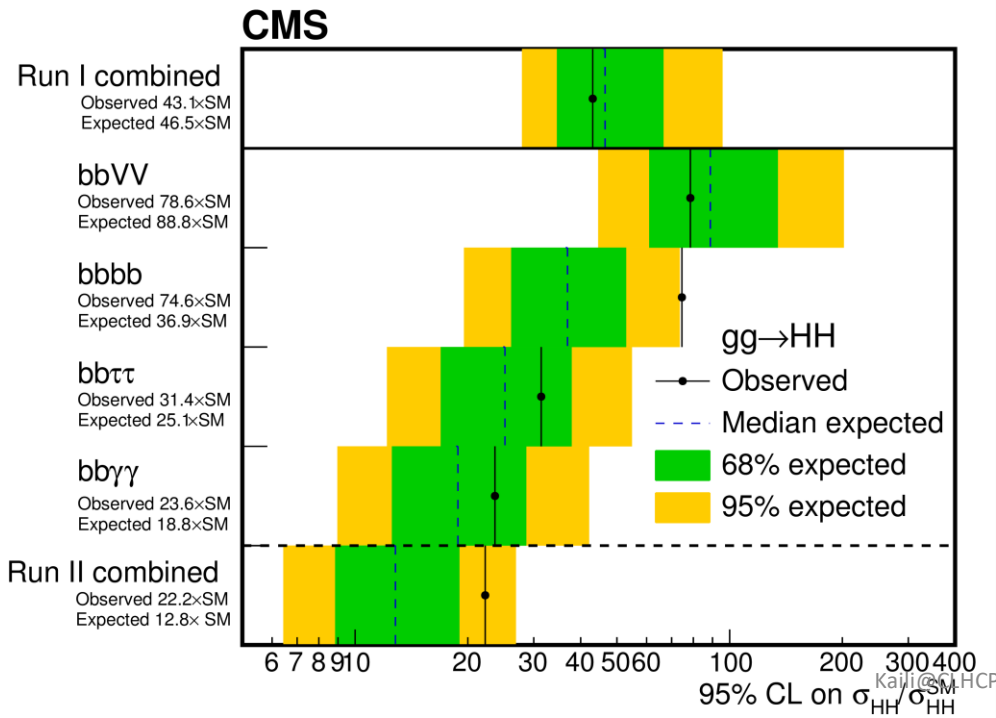
Total: ~7 times of SM prediction.



Current constrain for κ_λ : $-5.0 < \kappa_\lambda < 12.0$
 Expected: $-5.8 < \kappa_\lambda < 12.0$

CMS results

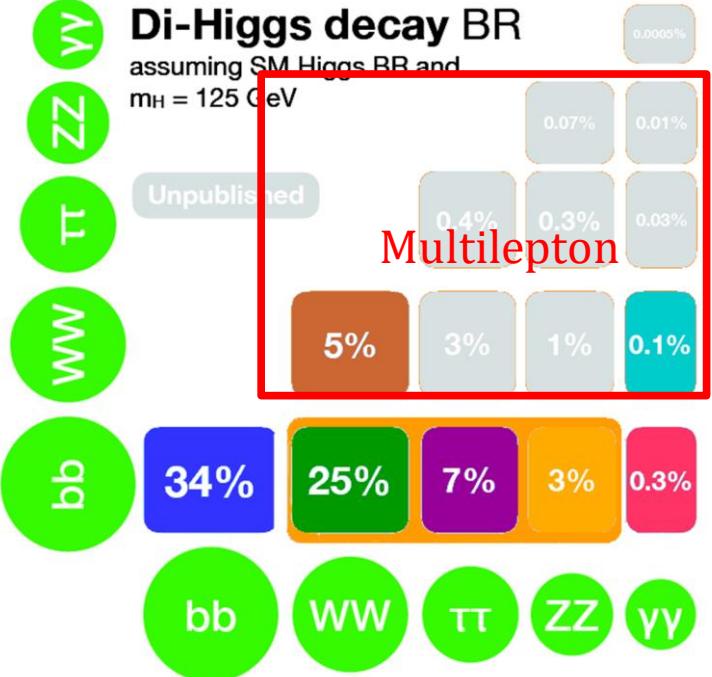
- CMS diHiggs contains $b\bar{b}y\bar{y}$, $b\bar{b}\tau\bar{\tau}$, $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$, and $b\bar{b}V\bar{V}$.
 - -> $V\bar{V}V\bar{V}$ and $V\bar{V}y\bar{y}$ not included.
- [Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 121803 \(2019\)](#), arXiv:[1811.09689](#)
- ~22 times of SM while ATLAS 7 times. CMS shows worse performance on b-related channels.



Observed: $-11.8 < \kappa_\lambda < 18.8$
 Expected: $-7.1 < \kappa_\lambda < 13.6$

Undergoing

- Now(2019, October), $WW^*\gamma\gamma$ is one part of dihiggs multi-lepton analyses.
- Full run2 data allows inclusive study for all possible multilepton channels.
- For $\gamma\gamma + ML$ events, still $WW^*\gamma\gamma$ is dominant.
- Analysis with full run2 data undergoing, not shown here. Aiming for one note next year.
- $S(\rightarrow WW/ZZ)H(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$ Model also in plan.



- [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2018\) 78: 1007](#), ATLAS non-resonant and resonant Higgs boson pair production with a semi-leptonic $WW^*\gamma\gamma$ final state using 36.1fb presented.
 - No significant excesses found.
 - 95% CL upper limit of **7.7**pb is set on the cross section for non-resonant production.
- Latest ATLAS diHiggs combination results [1906.02025](#) are also shown.
 - for the 95% CL upper limit, **7** times of the SM prediction value can be obtained.
- The multi-lepton analyses with full Run2 data are ongoing.

Backups

Stability check for background model



For different purity and lepton number, on second-order exponential polynomial.

