

Recent Higgs measurements

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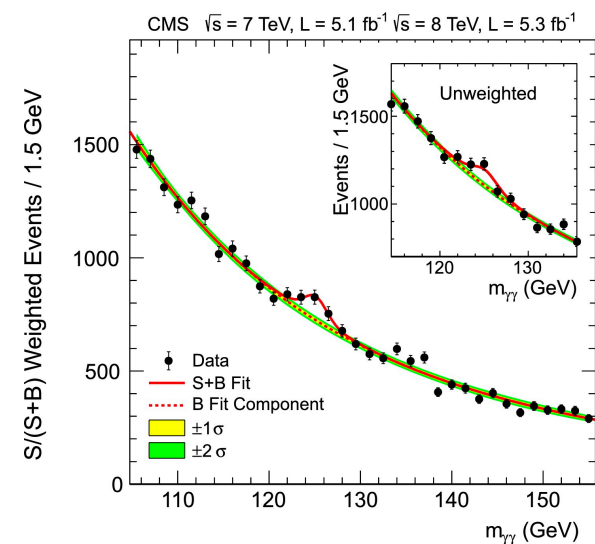
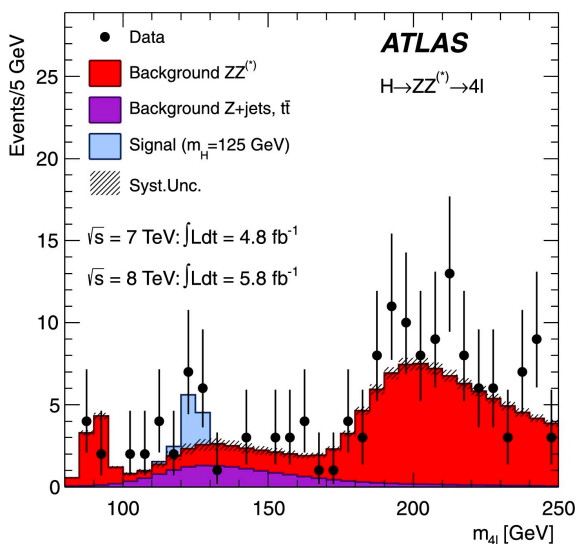


Higgs status

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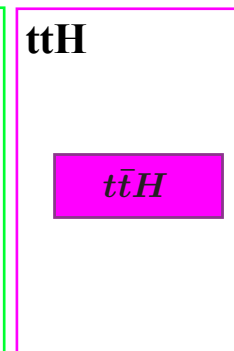
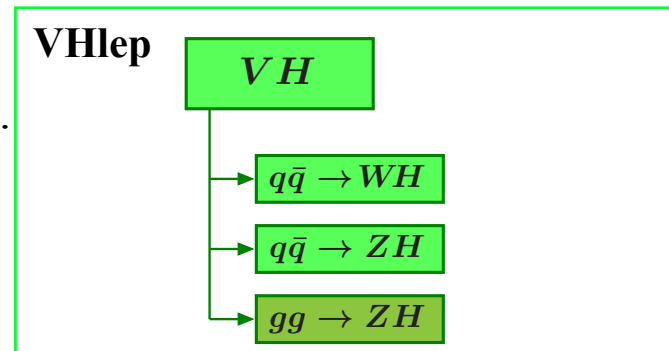
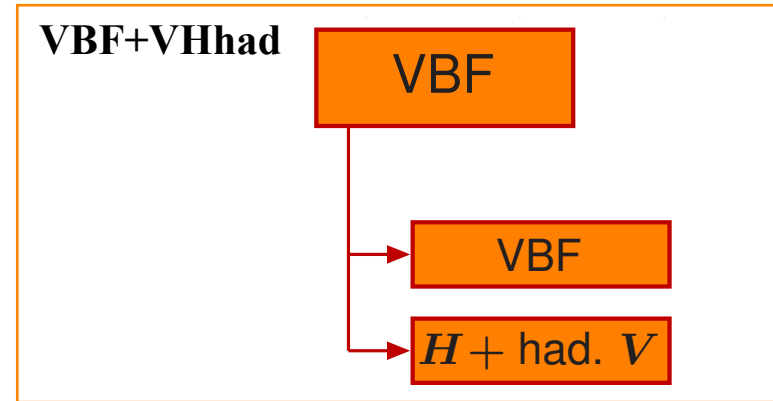
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- **Higgs boson** discovered in 2012.
- Using Run 1 data:
 - **Spin 0** particle;
 - **Mass known at 0.2% level**;
 - **Couplings** consistent with SM predictions.
- Using Run 2 data:
 - **Observation** of all the main production processes;
 - **Observation** of decays to bosons and third-generation fermions;
 - **Improvement** of m_H precision and CP measurements;
 - **Off-shell production** measurements.
- Now shift focus from *discovery era* to *precision era*
 - Precision unfolded differential measurements;
 - **Combined measurements** → Simplified Template Cross-Section (STXS) framework.



STXS framework

- Framework for **subdividing Higgs Boson measurements into orthogonal regions - STXS bins** [defined using generator level information]
 - $(\sigma \times B)$ **measurement** for each bin
- STXS bins chosen such that they:
 - are **defined by Higgs production modes**;
 - **reduce theory uncertainties**
 - **isolate regions potentially sensitive to BSM**;
- STXS stage 1.2 Higgs boson signal split according to
 - production modes,
 - number of jets
 - p_T^H/p_T^V ;
 - invariant mass of the leading jets m_{jj} .
- **Advantage**: easy to combined different analyses.



Outline

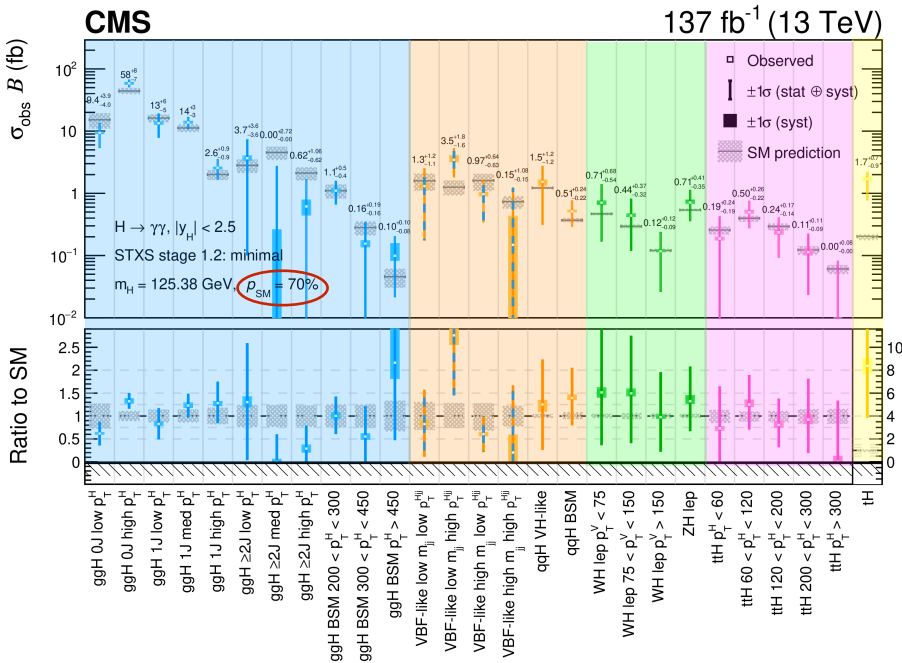
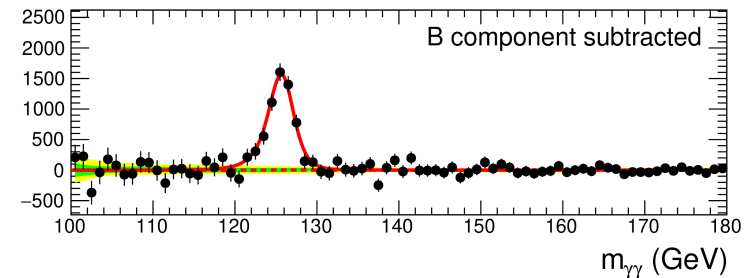
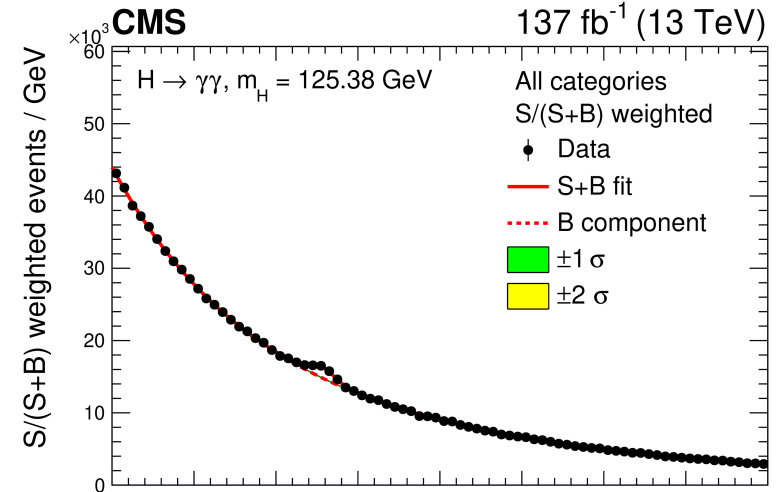
In this talk I am focusing on results released in the past one year:

- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analysis (CMS)
- $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ analysis + off-shell production (CMS);
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ analysis (ATLAS);
- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ analysis (ATLAS);
- $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ analysis (ATLAS, CMS);
- $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ analysis (ATLAS, CMS);
- Combined Higgs boson measurements (ATLAS).

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analysis

- Analysis targets all Higgs production modes: ggF, VBF, VH, ttH, tH
- Clean final state topology with two photons
- Simultaneous binned maximum likelihood fit to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ distributions

$$\mu = 1.12^{+0.06}_{-0.06}(\text{theo})^{+0.03}_{-0.03}(\text{syst})^{+0.07}_{-0.06}(\text{stat})$$



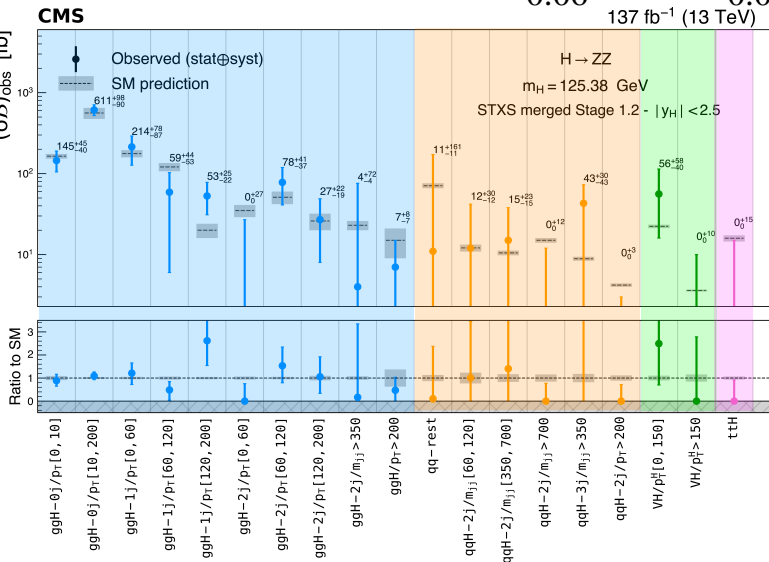
- STXS measurements in 27 STXS bins [“minimal merging scenario”]
- Most granular XS measurement performed in a single Higgs decay
- First measurement of ttH in bins of $p_T(H)$;
- Large uncertainty on tH bin

$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ and off-shell Higgs production

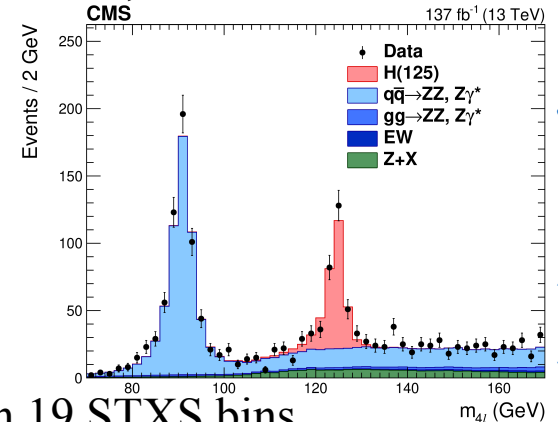
- Events with same flavor, opposite sign lepton pairs form the Higgs candidate
 - Clear signature \rightarrow targets all the production modes except for tH ;
- Dominant irreducible background: ZZ^*
- Unbinned likelihood fit

$$\mu = 0.94 \pm 0.07 \text{ (stat)} \begin{matrix} +0.07 \\ -0.06 \end{matrix} \text{ (theo)} \begin{matrix} +0.06 \\ -0.05 \end{matrix} \text{ (exp)}$$

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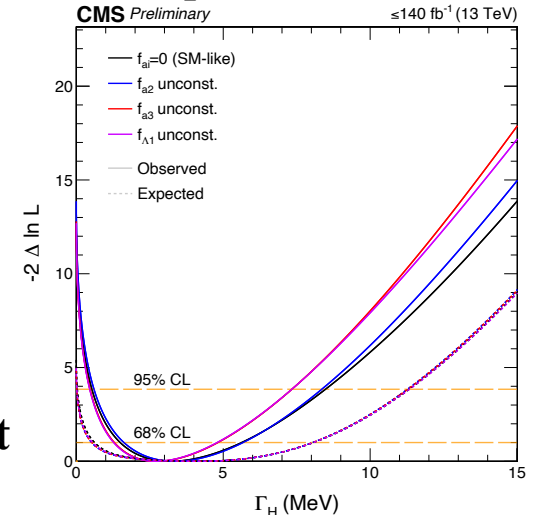


- STXS measurements in 19 STXS bins.
- Statistically limited channel
- Results consistent with the SM predictions.



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- On-shell analysis combined with off-shell $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$
 \Rightarrow **first evidence of off-shell Higgs production (3.6σ)**
- Comparison of on-shell and off-shell rates yields constrain on Higgs width $\Gamma_H = 3.2^{+2.4}_{-1.7}$ MeV \leftarrow **Most precise Γ_H measurement**

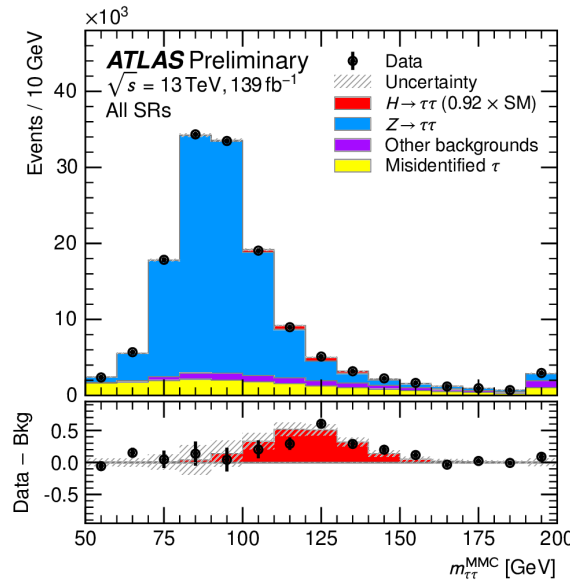


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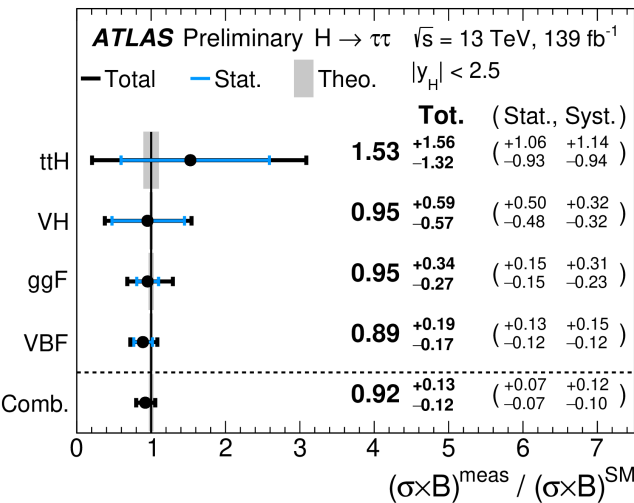
ATLAS analysis: [link](#)

$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ analysis

- Analysis targets all production modes
- Events classification: $\tau_h\tau_h, \tau_{lep}\tau_h, \tau_e\tau_\mu$
- **Binned maximum-likelihood fit to $m_{\tau\tau}$**



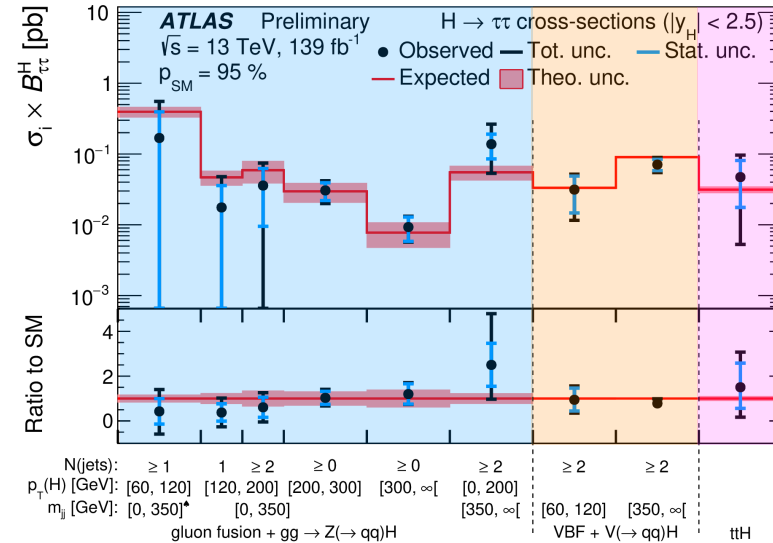
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ is dominant
irreducible bkg
 $\Rightarrow Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ CRs used to extract the normalisation



$\rightarrow 3.9\sigma$
 $\rightarrow 5.3\sigma$ **First VBF $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ observation**

- STXS measurement in 9 STXS bins:

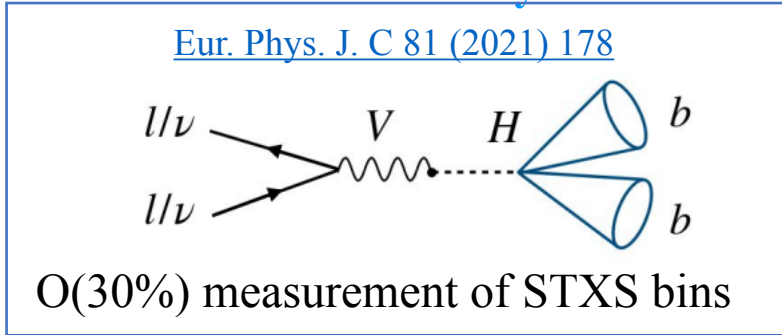
- **Good agreement with SM prediction;**
- ggF with $200 \text{ GeV} < p_T^H < 300 \text{ GeV}$ and $p_T^H > 300 \text{ GeV}$ have best precision (O(40%)).



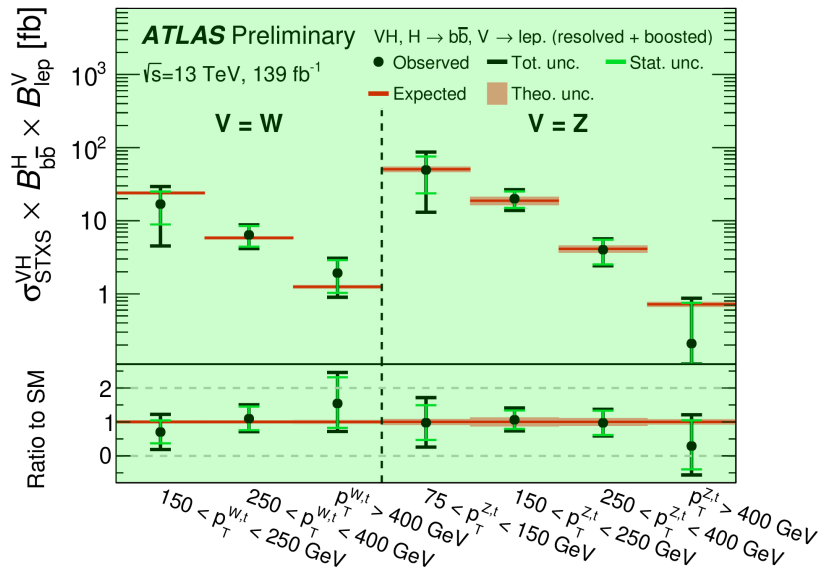
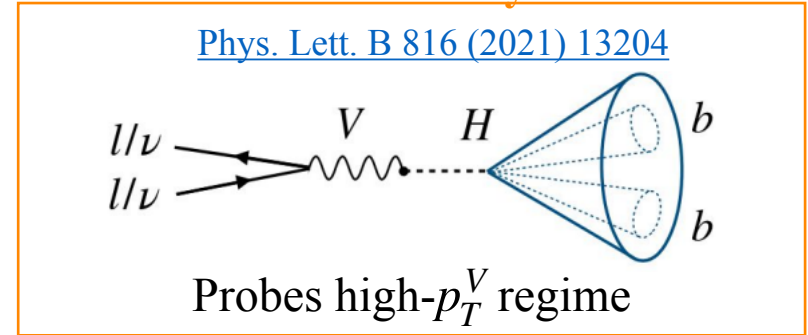
$VH, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ combination

- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ dominant decay, triggered by leptonic decays of vector boson
- $VH(b\bar{b})$ final states studied by two analyses and significant **overlap** (~25%) between the two analyses

Resolved analysis



Boosted analysis



- In the combination **drop resolved events with $p_T^V > 400 \text{ GeV}$** and **use boosted only in $p_T^V > 400 \text{ GeV}$**
- STXS measurements in 7 STXS bins
 - bins with $p_T^V > 400 \text{ GeV}$ are statistically limited
- **Good agreement with SM predictions.**

$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ analysis

- Analysis **targets all the production modes**;
- Final state with two muons \rightarrow good signal resolution but small branching ratio ($\sim 2.2 \times 10^{-4}$)
- Large **irreducible bkg** from $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- **Simultaneous binned-likelihood fit**
- CMS results:

$$\mu = 1.19^{+0.41(\text{stat})+0.17(\text{syst})}_{-0.40-0.16}$$

\rightarrow Observed (expected) significance 3 (2.5) σ - **Evidence!**

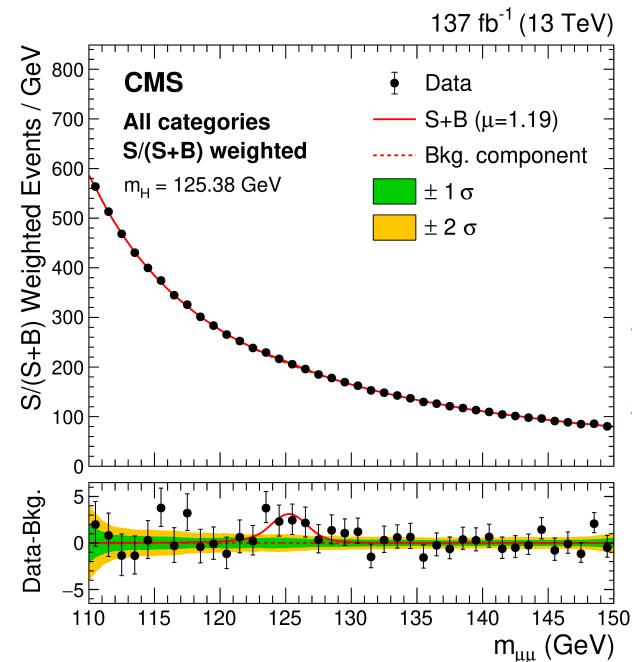
\rightarrow upper limits on BR of $1.9 \times \text{SM}$ @ 95% CL

- ATLAS results:

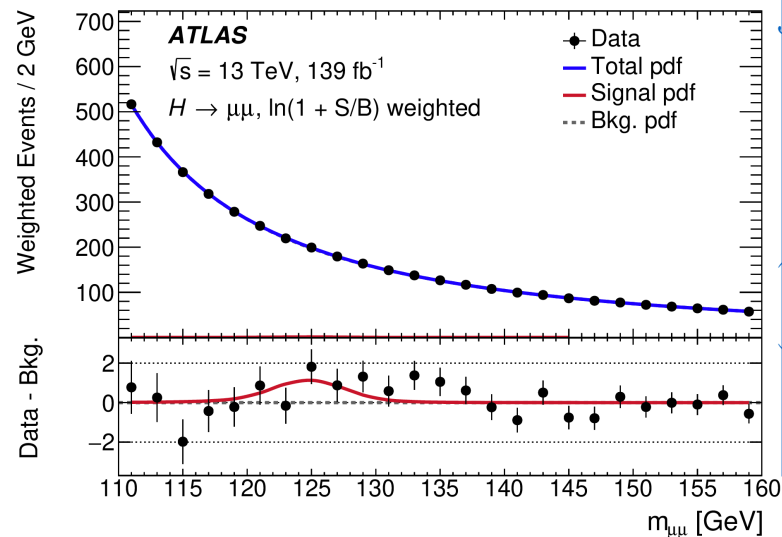
$$\mu = 1.2 \pm 0.6(\text{stat})^{+0.2}_{-0.1}(\text{syst})$$

\rightarrow Observed (expected) significance 2.0σ (1.7σ)

\rightarrow upper limits on BR of $2.2 \times \text{SM}$ @ 95% CL



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$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ analysis

- Analysis **targets all the production modes**;
- $\text{BR}(H \rightarrow Z\gamma) = 1.54 \times 10^{-3}$
- Final state with **one photon** and **two same flavor opposite charge leptons** ($\ell = e, \mu$).
- **Binned-maximum likelihood fit** to all $m_{Z\gamma}$ distribution
- CMS results:

$$\mu = 2.4^{+0.8}_{-0.9} \text{ (stat)}^{+0.3}_{-0.2} \text{ (syst)}$$

Observed (expected) significance of 2.7 (1.2) σ

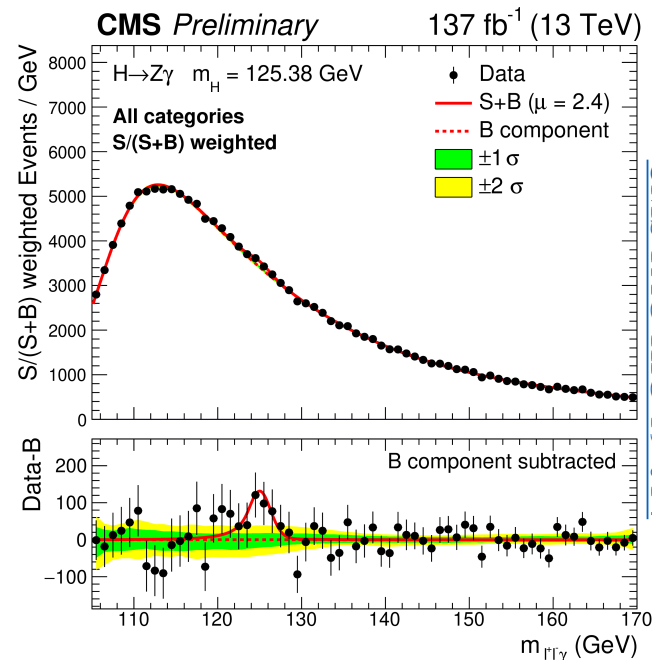
→ upper limits on $(\sigma \times B)$ of 4.1 x SM @ 95% CL

- ATLAS results:

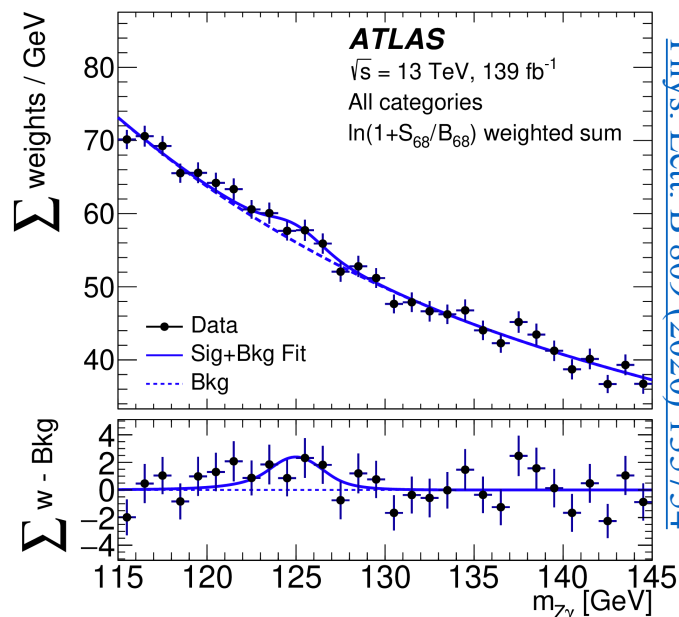
$$\mu = 2.0 \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat)}^{+0.4}_{-0.3} \text{ (syst)}$$

Observed (expected) significance of 2.2 (1.2) σ

→ upper limits on $(\sigma \times B)$ of 3.6 x SM @ 95% CL



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Combined Higgs boson measurements

ATLAS-CONF-2021-053

Input analyses

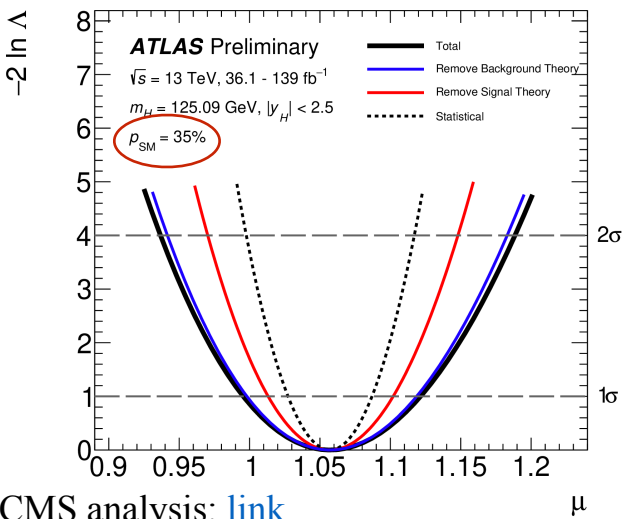
| | $\gamma\gamma$ | ZZ | WW | $\tau\tau$ | bb | $\mu\mu$ | Z γ | inv |
|-----|----------------|--------|--------|------------|-------|----------|------------|-------|
| ggF | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| VBF | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| VH | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| ttH | Green | Yellow | Yellow | Yellow | Green | Green | Green | Green |
| tH | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green |

full Run 2
 partial Run 2

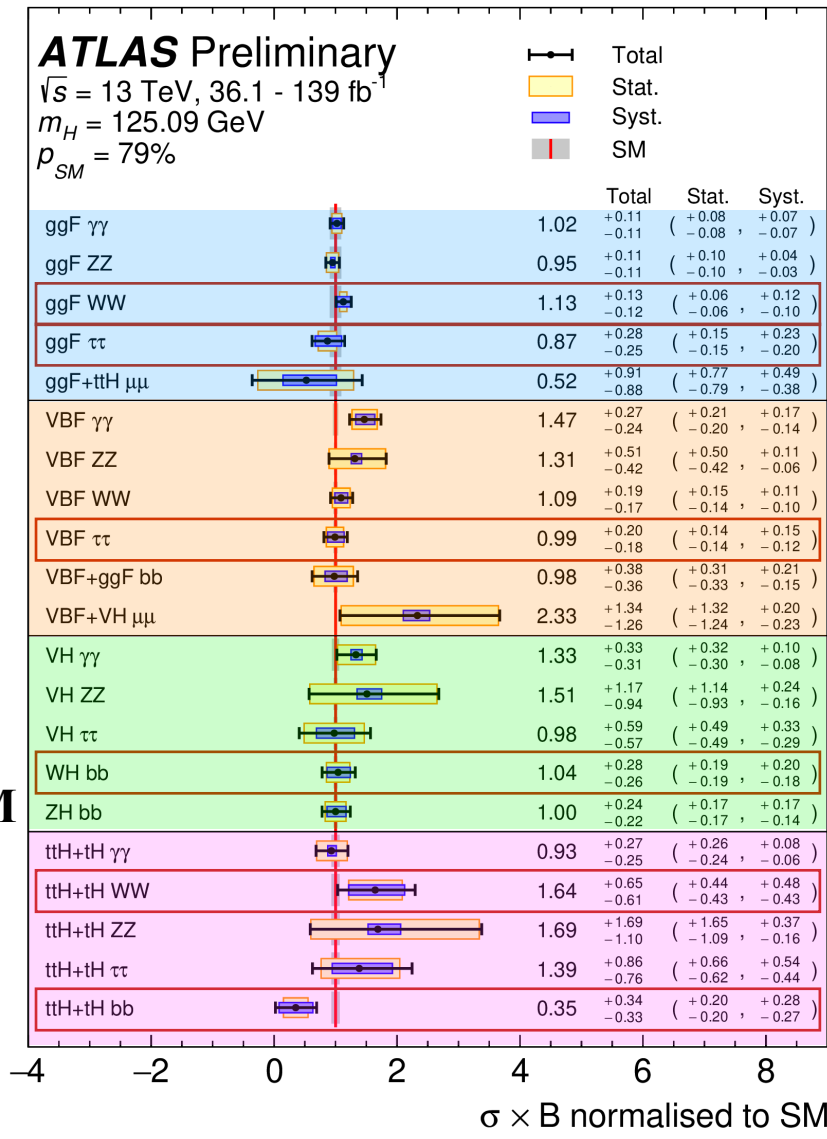
$t\bar{t}H(\rightarrow \text{mult. leptons})$ analysis uses partial Run 2 dataset (36 fb^{-1})

Global signal strength

$$\mu = 1.06 \pm 0.03 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (exp)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (sig th)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (bkg th)}$$



Very good agreement with SM expectations



CMS analysis: [link](#)

Combined Higgs boson measurements: STXS results

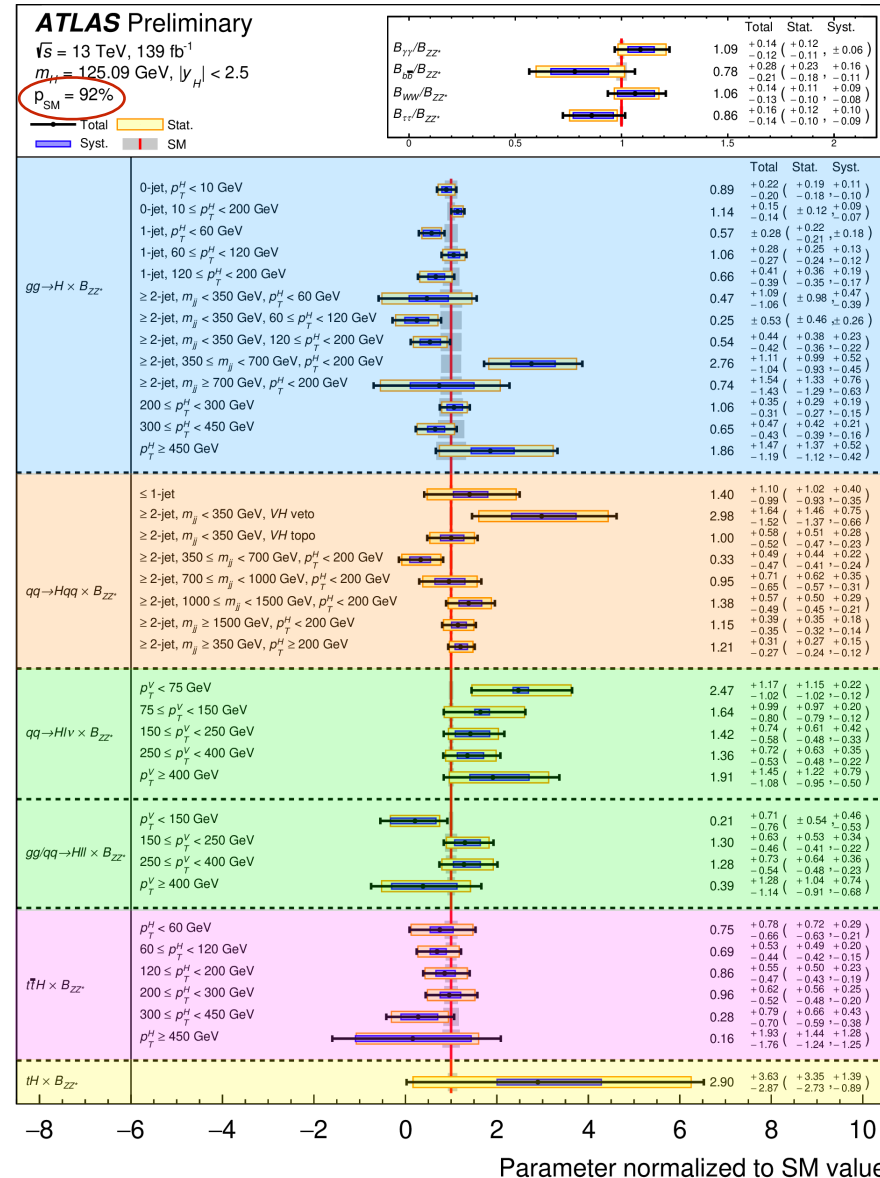
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Fit parameters for the STXS measurement:

$$(\sigma \times B)_{if} = (\sigma \times B)_{i,ZZ} \cdot \left(\frac{B_f}{B_{ZZ}} \right)$$

Decay mode
Production mode bin

- 37 cross-sections measured simultaneously:
 - Excellent agreement with SM prediction



Conclusions

- Using Run 2 dataset, **XS measurements in many channels**;
 - Results are in **good agreement with SM expectations**
- Combination of individual Higgs boson production and decay measurements
 - Almost all the analyses use full Run-2 dataset
 - **Easy combination** of the analyses thanks to the **STXS framework**;
 - Combination provides **unprecedented precision**

| | $\gamma\gamma$ | ZZ | WW | $\tau\tau$ | bb | $\mu\mu$ | $Z\gamma$ | inv | cc |
|-----|----------------|--------|--------|------------|-------|----------|-----------|-------|-------|
| ggF | Green | Green | Green | Green | Blue | Green | Green | Blue | White |
| VBF | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | Green | White |
| VH | Green | Green | White | Green | Green | Green | Green | Blue | Blue |
| ttH | Green | Yellow | Yellow | Yellow | Green | Green | Green | Blue | White |
| tH | Green | White | White | White | White | White | White | White | White |

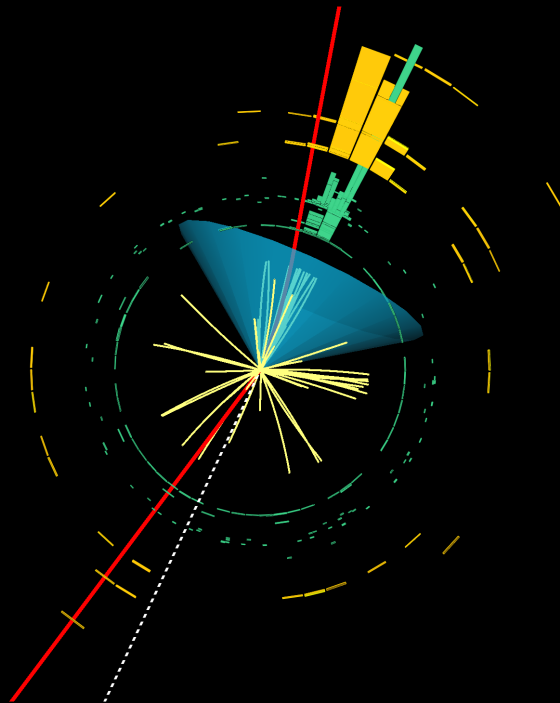
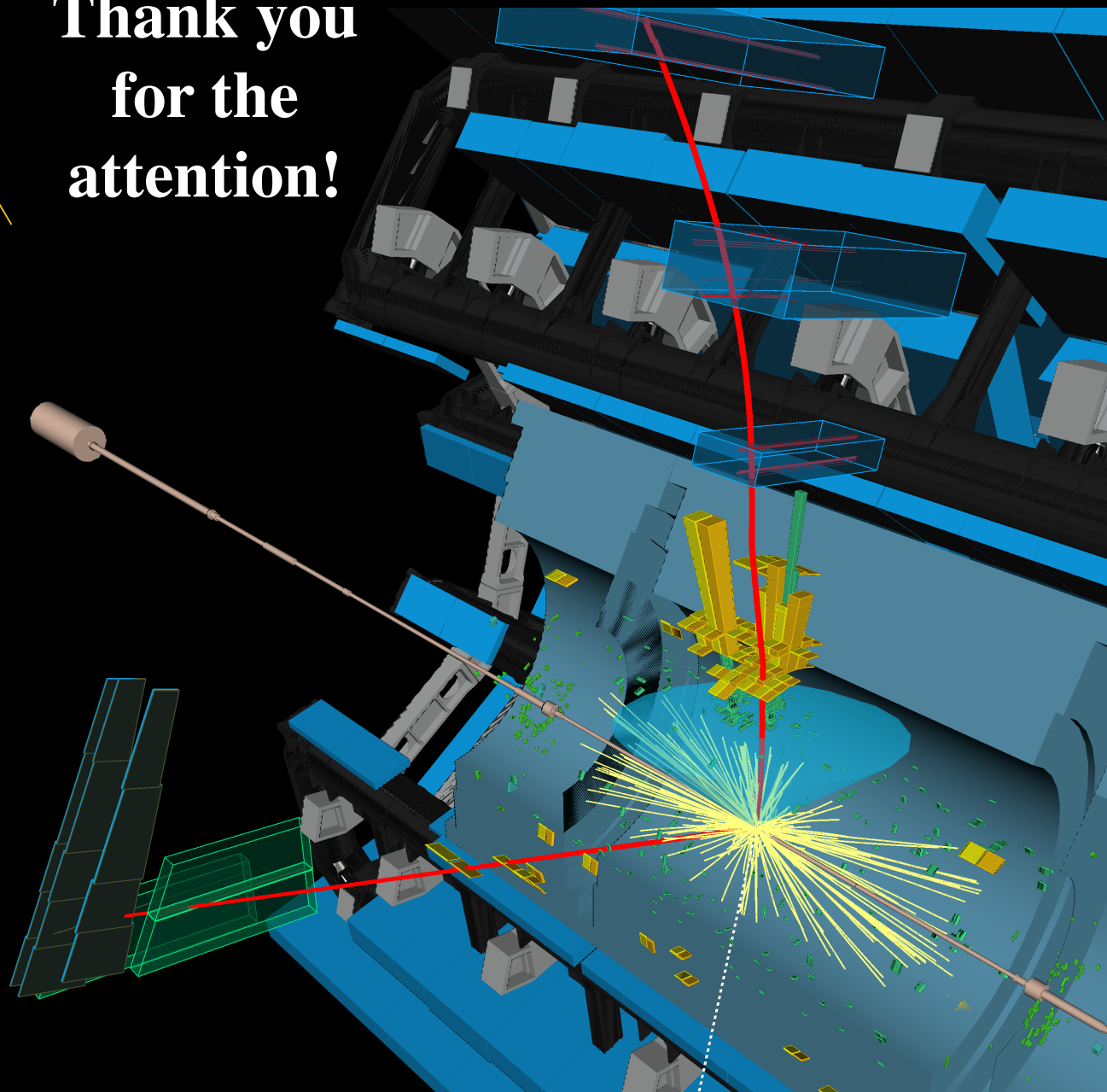
Analysis with full Run 2 dataset considered in the combination

Analysis with partial Run 2 dataset considered in the combination

Analysis with full Run 2 dataset not yet considered in the combination

- **Stay tuned, more precise results are coming!**

Thank you
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attention!



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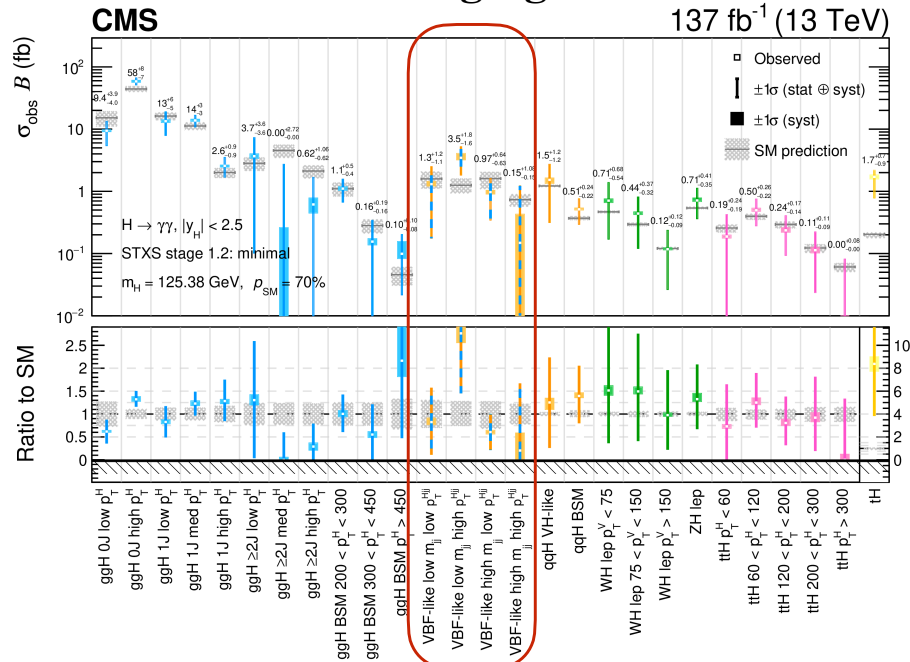
Additional material

Full list of analysis

- Combination:
 - ATLAS: [ATLAS-CONF-2021-053](#)
 - CMS: [CMS-PAS-HIG-19-005](#)
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
 - ATLAS: [ATLAS-CONF-2002-026](#)
 - CMS: [JHEP 2017 \(2021\) 027](#)
- $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$
 - ATLAS: [Eur. Phys. J. C 80 \(2020\) 957](#)
 - CMS (on-shell): [Eur. Phys. J. C 81 \(2021\) 488](#)
 - CMS (off-shell): [CMS-PAS-HIG-21-013](#)
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$:
 - ATLAS: [ATLAS-CONF-2021-044](#)
 - CMS: [CMS-PAS-HIG-19-010](#)
- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
 - ATLAS (resolved): [Eur. Phys. J. C 81 \(2021\) 178](#)
 - ATLAS (boosted): [Phys. Lett. B 816 \(2021\) 13204](#)
 - ATLAS (combination): [ATLAS-CONF-2021-051](#)
- $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$:
 - ATLAS: [JHEP 01 \(2021\) 148](#)
 - CMS: [Phys. Lett. B 812 \(2021\) 135980](#)
- $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$
 - ATLAS: [Phys. Lett. B 809 \(2020\) 135754](#)
 - CMS: [CMS-PAG-HIG-19-014](#)

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analysis (CMS)

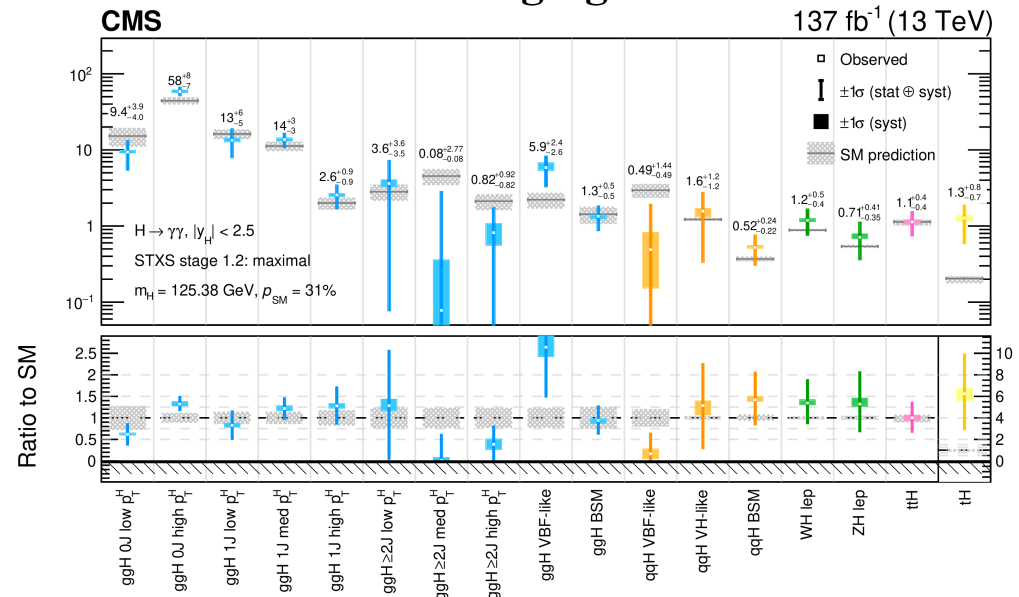
Minimal merging scheme



ggH and qqH STXS bins are merged together

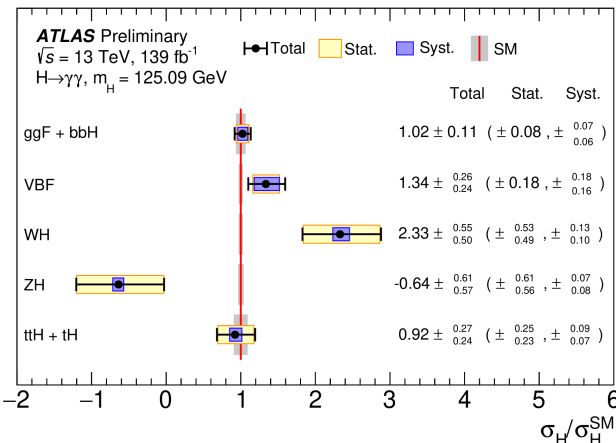
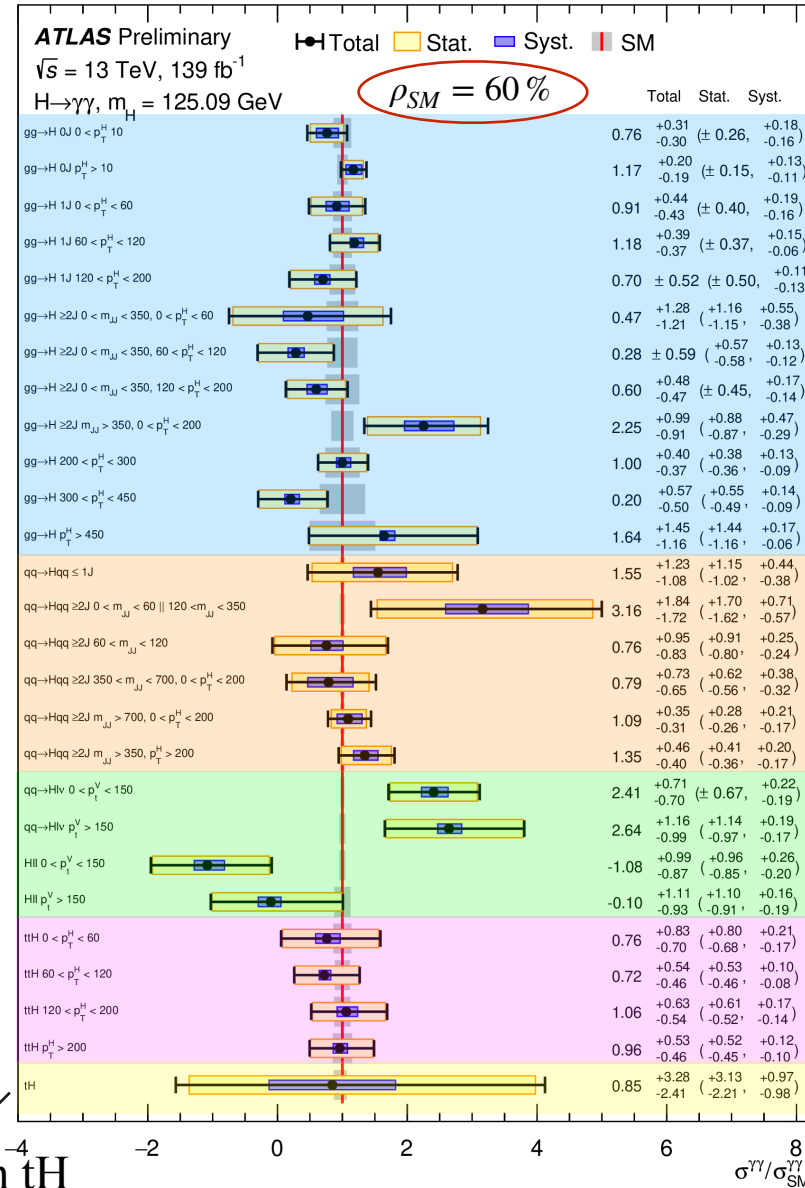
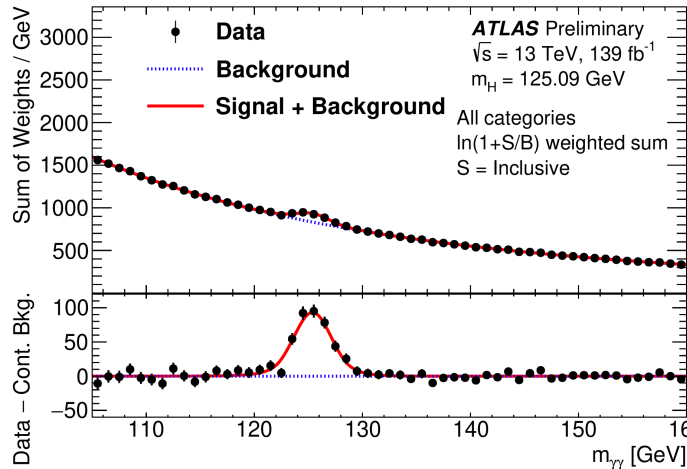
- **Maximal merging scheme:** STXS bins merged until their expected unc is $< 150\%$;
- **Minimal merging scheme:** STXS bins merged ensuring that parameters do not become too anti-correlated ($< 90\%$)

Maximal merging scheme



$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analysis (ATLAS)

- Events with at least 2 photons
- MVA techniques to categorize the events and discriminate signal from bkg.

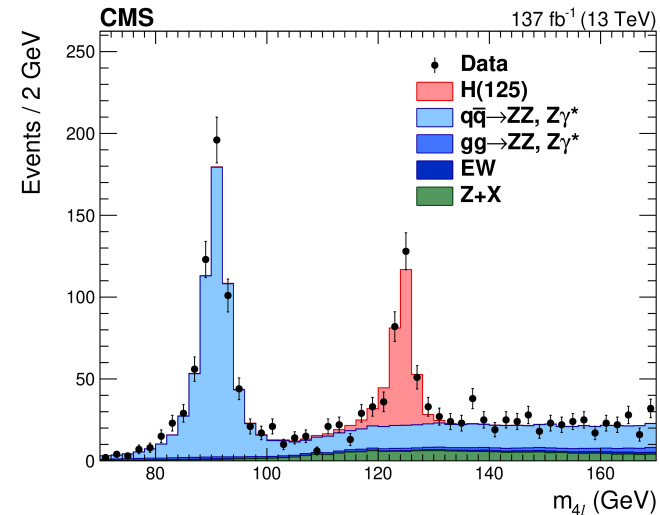


Strong correlation between WH and ZH (O(40%))

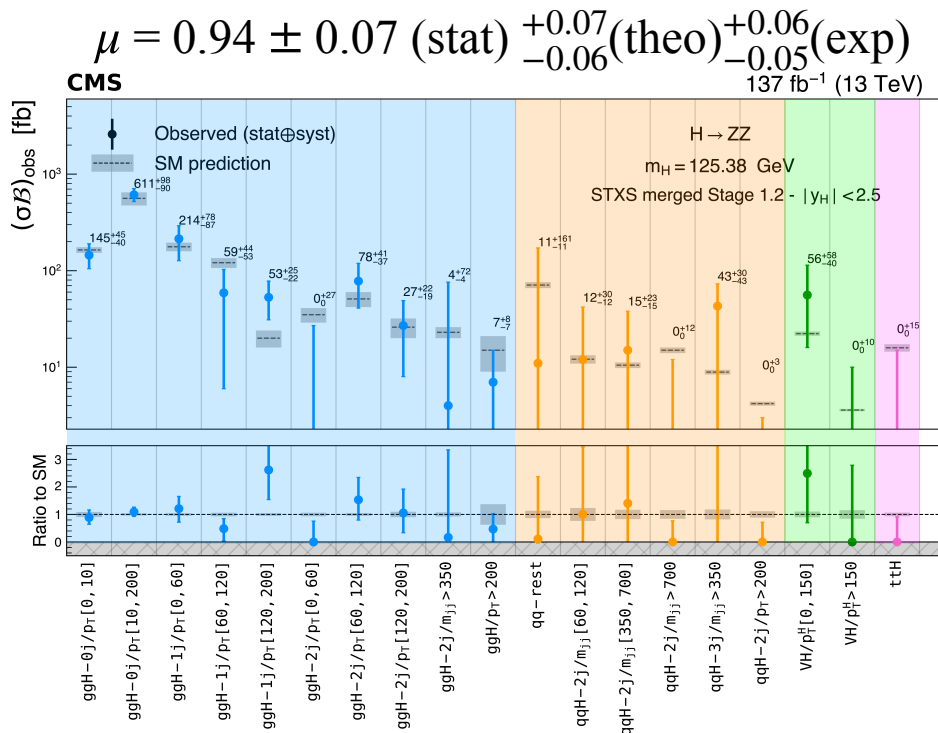
Upper limit on tH

$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ (CMS)

- Events with **same flavor, opposite sign lepton pairs** form the Higgs candidate
 - **Clear signature** \rightarrow targets **all the production modes** except for tH ;
- Combined results from ZZ decays channels: $4e, 4\mu, 2e2\mu$;
- Events categorized according to # jets, # b -tagged jets and # additional leptons \rightarrow **22 event categories**
- **Dominant irreducible background: ZZ^***
- **Unbinned likelihood fit**



- STXS measurements in 19 STXS bins.
- **Statistically limited channel** \rightarrow coarse bins
- **Results consistent with the SM predictions.**

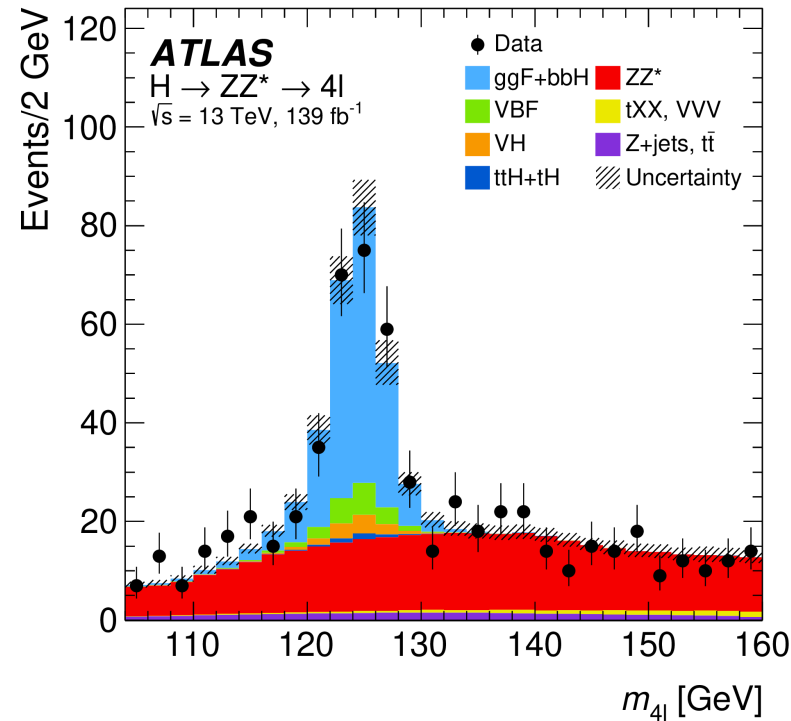
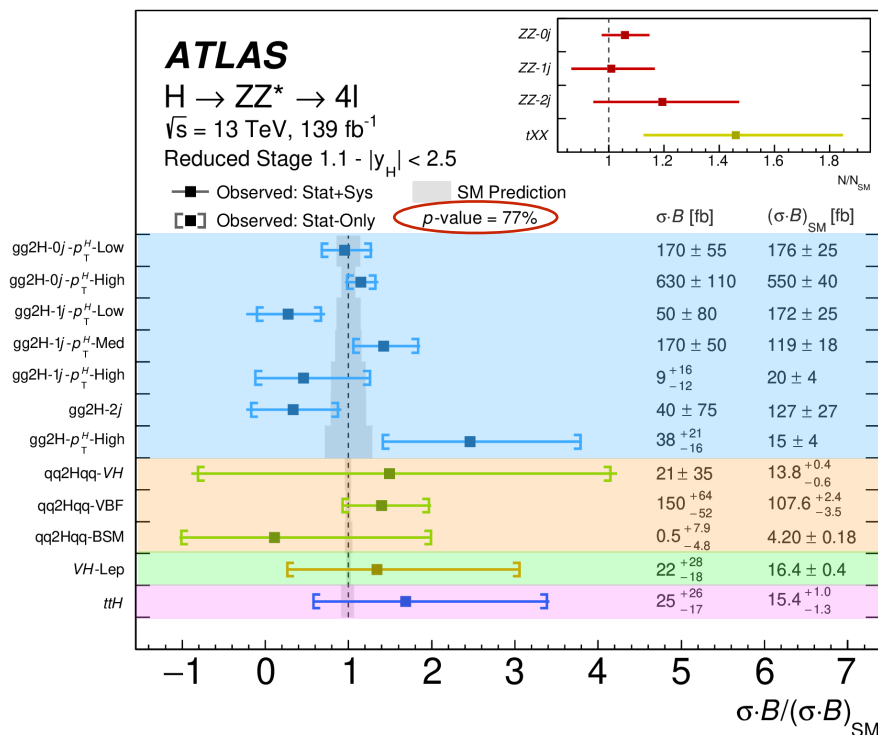


$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ (ATLAS)

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- Clean signature - fully reconstructed final states - and high S/B
- Events with **same flavor, opposite sign lepton** ($\ell=e,\mu$) pairs form the Higgs candidate
- MVA technique to define analysis categories
- Likelihood fit

$$\mu = 1.01 \pm 0.08(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{exp}) \pm 0.05(\text{theo})$$



$H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$ (ATLAS)

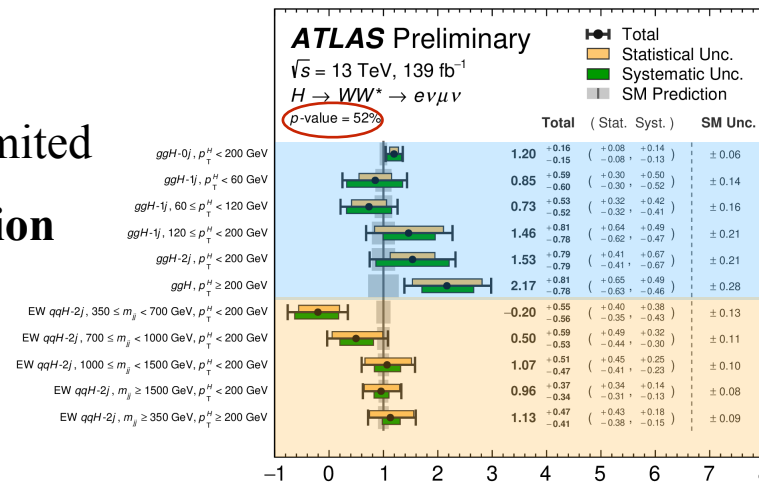
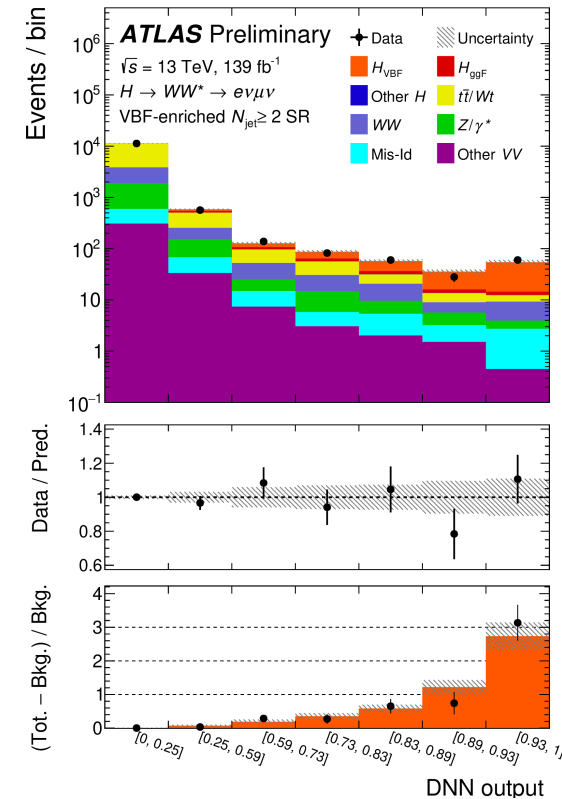
- Analysis targets **VBF** and **ggF** production modes
- Final state with **2 charged leptons** with **different flavor** and **opposite charge**.
- **Control regions (CRs)** to extract normalization of the **dominant bkg**s (WW , $t\bar{t}/W\bar{t}$, Z/γ^*)
- Profiled likelihood fit to data:

$$\mu_{ggF} = 1.20 \pm 0.05 \text{ (stat)} \boxed{+0.09}_{-0.08} \text{ (exp systs)} \boxed{+0.10}_{-0.08} \text{ (sig theo)} \boxed{+0.12}_{-0.11} \text{ (bkg theo)}$$

$$\mu_{VBF} = 0.99 \text{ }^{+0.13}_{-0.12} \text{ (stat)} \text{ }^{+0.07}_{-0.06} \text{ (exp systs)} \boxed{+0.17}_{-0.12} \text{ (sig theo)} \text{ }^{+0.10}_{-0.08} \text{ (bkg theo)}$$

⇒ measurements dominated by systematic sources

- STXS measurements in 11 STXS bins
 - Most of the STXS bins statistically-limited
 - Results compatible with SM prediction



$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ analysis (CMS)

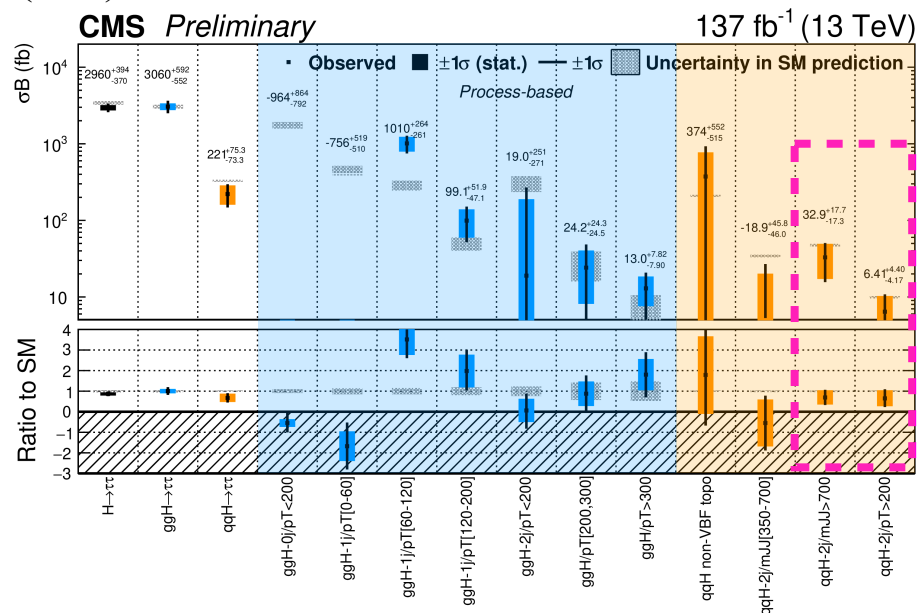
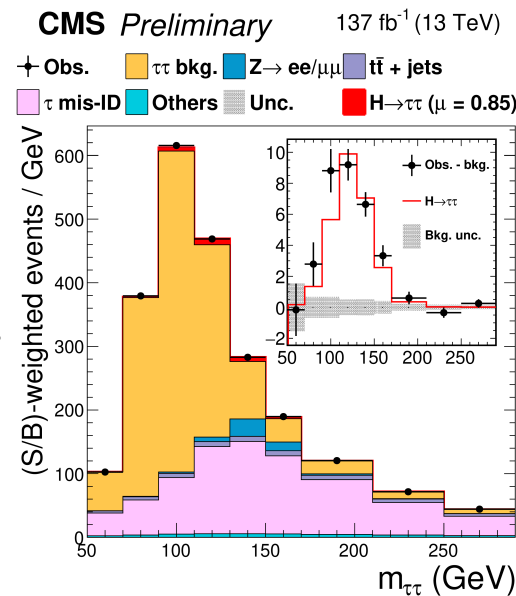
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- Analysis **targets** primarily **ggF** and **VBF**
- Events classification: $\tau_h\tau_h$, $e\tau_h$, $\mu\tau_h$, $e\mu$.
- MVA techniques to reconstruct τ_h and reject fakes.
- **Main bkg**s ($Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$, τ mis-ID) estimated with **data-driven techniques**.
- **Binned maximum likelihood fit** to extract the results:

$$\mu_{ggF} = 0.98^{+0.12}_{-0.09}(\text{theo}) \pm 0.09(\text{stat}) \pm 0.12(\text{syst}) \pm 0.06(\text{bbb})$$

$$\mu_{qqH} = 0.67^{+0.06}_{-0.05}(\text{theo}) \boxed{+0.19}_{-0.18}(\text{stat})^{+0.09}_{-0.08}(\text{syst}) \pm 0.08(\text{bbb})$$

- STXS measurements in 11 STXS bins.
- Results **consistent** with the **SM predictions**.
- **Good sensitivity** to Higgs produced with **high p_T**
- Results **dominated** by **stat. uncertainty**



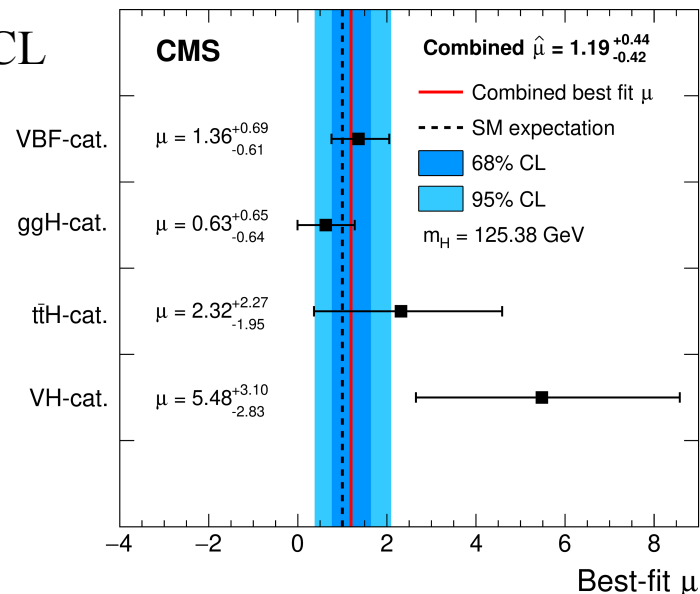
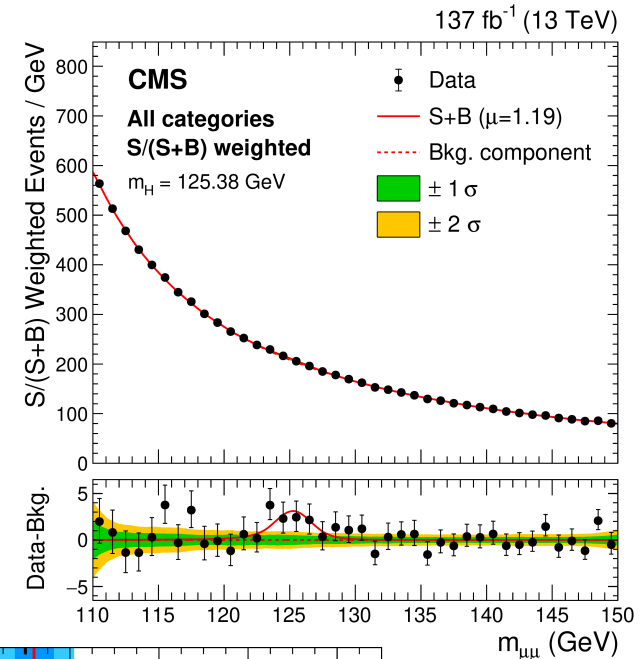
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- **Simultaneous binned-likelihood fit**

$$\mu = 1.19^{+0.41}_{-0.40}(\text{stat})^{+0.17}_{-0.16}(\text{syst}) [$$

\rightarrow Observed (expected) significance 3 (2.5) σ - **Evidence!**

\rightarrow Upper limits on BR of $1.9 \times \text{SM}$ @ 95% CL



$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ analysis (ATLAS)

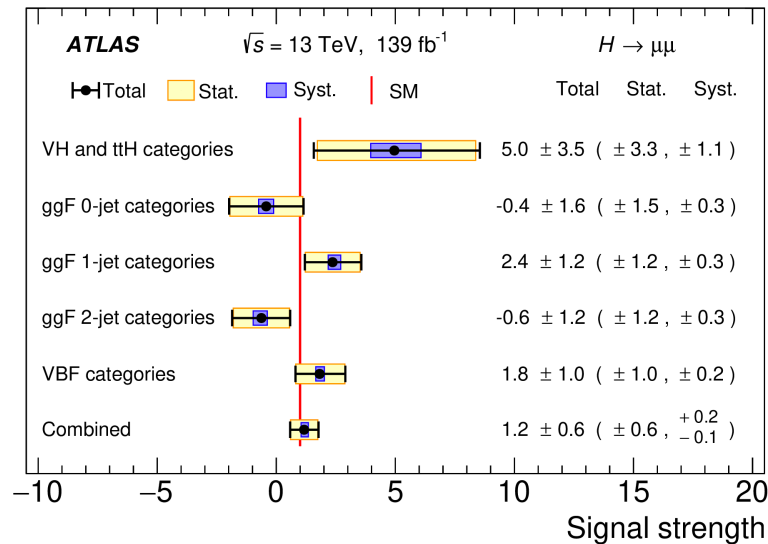
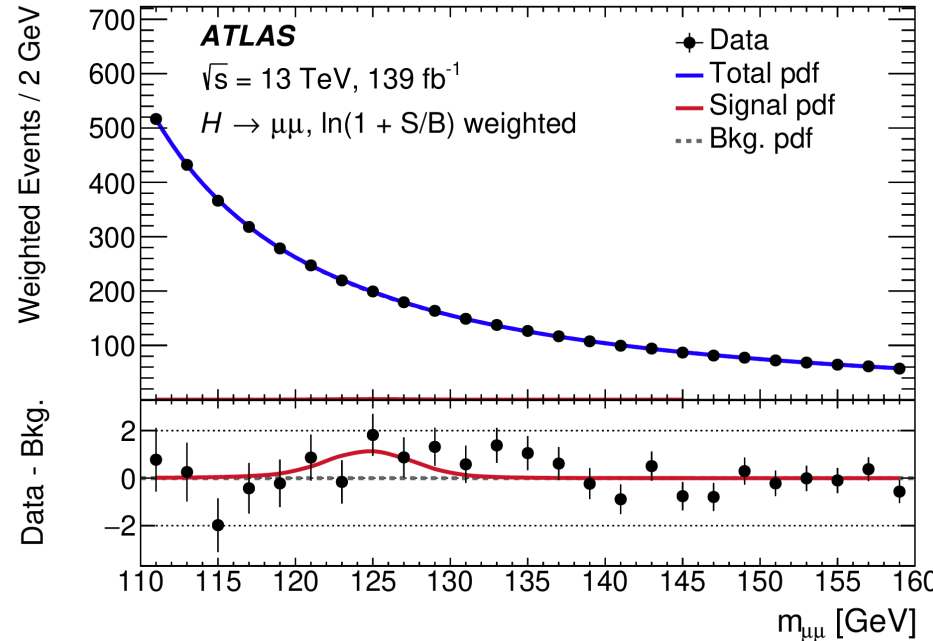
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- Final state with **two muons** \rightarrow good signal resolution but small branching ratio ($\sim 2.2 \times 10^{-4}$)
- Large **irreducible bkg** from $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- **Simultaneous binned-likelihood fit** to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$

$$\mu = 1.2 \pm 0.6(\text{stat})_{-0.1}^{+0.2}(\text{syst})$$

\rightarrow Observed (expected) significance 2.0σ (1.7σ)

\rightarrow Upper limits on BR of 4.7×10^{-4}



$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ analysis (ATLAS)

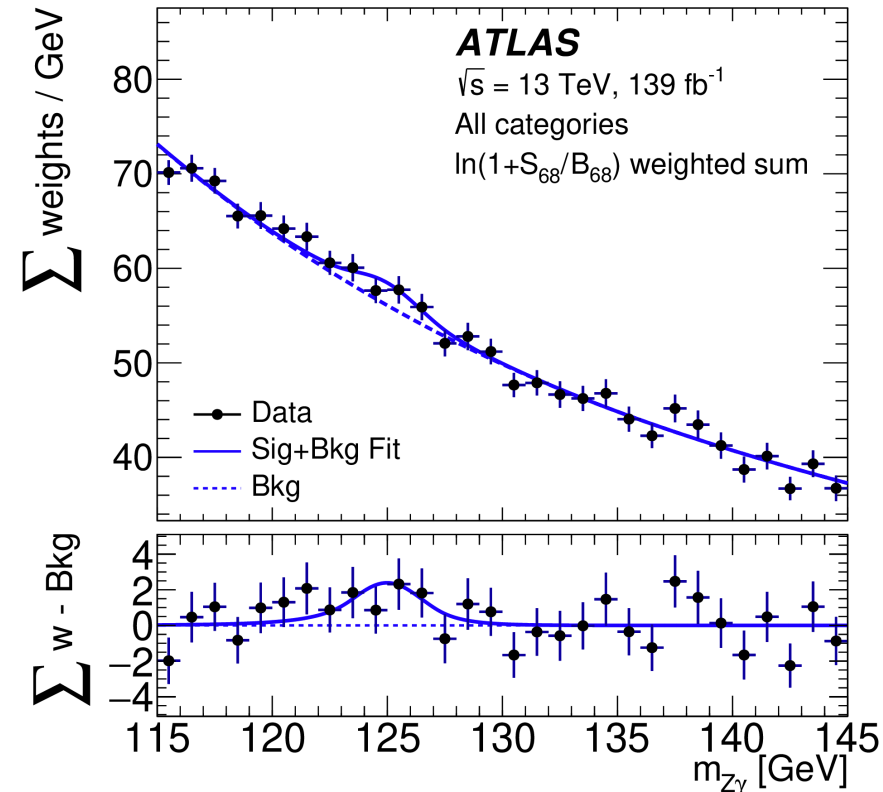
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- Analysis targets all the production modes;
- $\text{BR}(H \rightarrow Z\gamma) = 1.54 \times 10^{-3}$
- Final state with **one photons** and **two same flavor opposite charge leptons** ($\ell = e, \mu$)
- **MVA techniques to categorise the events**
- **Simultaneous likelihood fit to all $m_{Z\gamma}$ distributions**

$$\mu = 2.0 \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat)}^{+0.4}_{-0.3} \text{ (syst)}$$

Observed significance of 2.2σ

→ upper limits on $(\sigma \times B)$ of $3.6 \times \text{SM}$



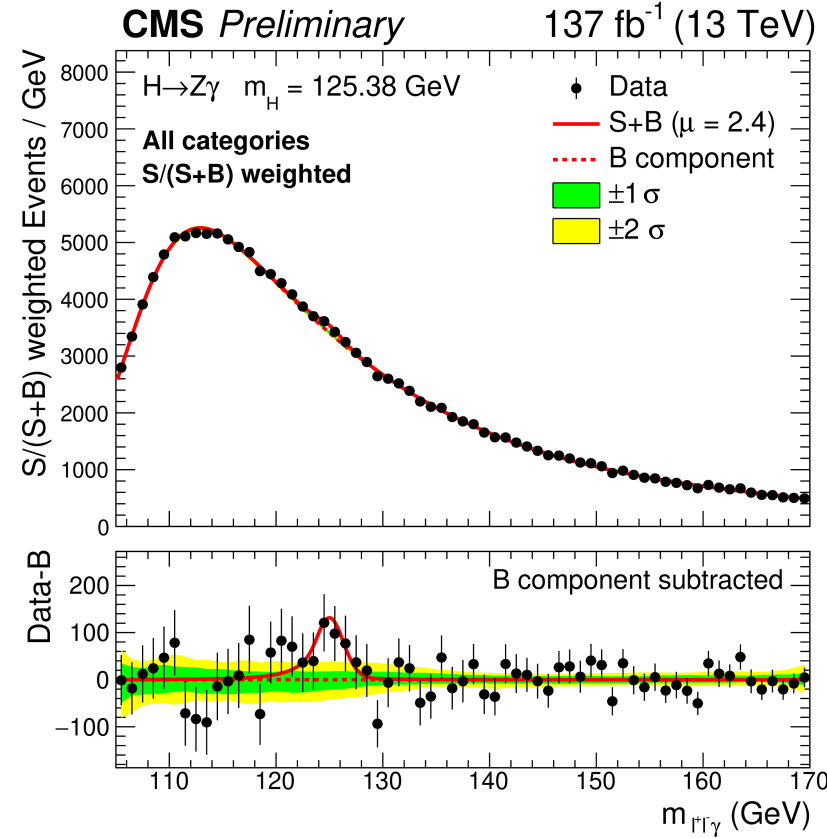
$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ analysis (CMS)

- Analysis targets all the production modes;
- $BR(H \rightarrow Z\gamma) = 1.54 \times 10^{-3}$
- Final state with one photons and two same flavor opposite charge leptons ($\ell = e, \mu$) and $m_{\ell+\ell^-} > 50$ GeV
- **Binned-maximum likelihood fit** to all $m_{Z\gamma}$ distribution

$$\mu = 2.4 \pm_{-0.9}^{+0.8} \text{ (stat)} \pm_{-0.2}^{+0.3} \text{ (syst)}$$

Observed (expected) significance of 2.7 (1.2) σ

→ upper limits on $(\sigma \times B)$ of 4.1 x SM @95% CL



$H \rightarrow cc$ analysis (ATLAS)

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- $\text{BR}(H \rightarrow cc) = 3\%$
- Search in **VH production mode**
- Categorization depending on the decay of the vector boson
- Events with at least one c-jet + b-veto
- Final discriminant m_{cc}
- **Simultaneous binned-likelihood fit** to signal strength of $\text{VH}(cc)$, $\text{VZ}(cc)$ and $\text{VW}(cq)$

$$\mu_{\text{VH}(cc)} = -9 \pm 10(\text{stat})_{-11}^{+12}(\text{syst}) \rightarrow \text{compatibility with SM: } 83\%$$

- Observed $\text{VH}(cc)$ limit of **26 x SM** → **best limit on $\text{VH}(cc)$ yet!**
- Diboson cross-check measurements:
 - $\text{VZ}(cc)$ significance of **2.6 σ**
 - $\text{VW}(cq)$ significance of **3.8 σ**

→ *First measurement of $\text{VZ}(cc)$ and $\text{VW}(cq)$ using c-tagging!*

