### What we learned experimentally about Higgs ?

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Disclaimer:

Lecture is meant to be pedagogical, not a comprehensive review of all experimental results. Usually results of one experiment (CMS or ATLAS) are discussed, conclusions from both experiments are ~ the same

This lecture is limited to Higgs -125 Gev.

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#### Higgs particle properties from the Standard Model (SM) theory

### **Higgs boson**

A very special particle of SM (it is not just yet another SM particle)

- As discussed in previous lectures: Higgs mechanism is the most simple and elegant way to generate masses of all other SM particles (in SM, one cannot introduce particle masses by hand without breaking everything )
- Higgs potential is very unusual minimum of energy is achieved in presence of Higgs field (and, hence, vacuum must be literally packed with Higgs field)
- Higgs boson is the only fundamental scalar in SM

### **Higgs boson experimental studies**

- Establish existence of a Higgs boson achieved in 2012. The mass turned out to be ~ 125 Gev Measure its mass and width with the ultimate achievable precision.
- Measure its spin-parity properties, and compare with prediction by the Standard Model (SM).
- Measure its other couplings from studying various production and decay modes
- Deviations of these measurements from the Standard Model (SM) theory would be an experimental signal for Beyond the Standard Model (BSM) physics
- Look for exotic (forbidden by SM) Higgs production and decay modes BSM physics covered in this lecture.
- Look for more Higgs bosons, additional to discovered Higgs~125. Such particles may be predicted by extensions of the SM, e.g. Supersymmetry. This is not discussed in this lecture for the lack of time.

### **SM Higgs boson phenomenology**

#### In Standard Model, there is only one Higgs boson:

- it is elementary (not composite)
- spin zero
- parity even
- mass free parameter
- Higgs tree-level couplings to fermions (f), W and Z bosons ("vector" bosons, or V - bosons), are defined by particles masses: the heavier the particles, the larger the couplings

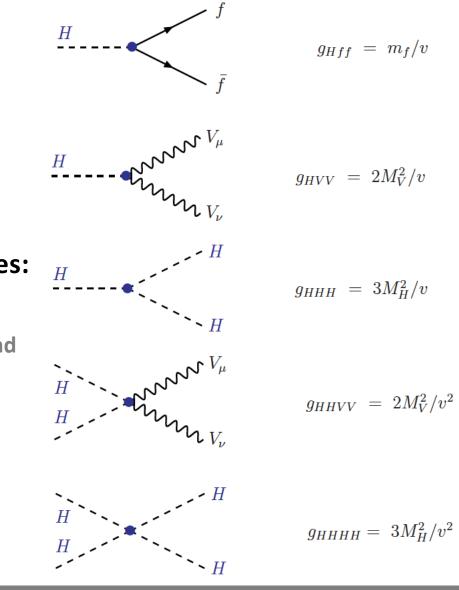
As a result Higgs is the only "Yukawa" particle in SM which couplings depend on masses of other particles, violating universality of generations:

- Higgs boson "prefers" to decay to the heaviest particles
- Decays of Higgs to zero-mass particles (γγ, Zγ, gg, etc.) are also possible via loops of heavy particles

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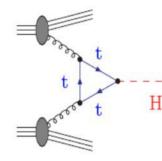
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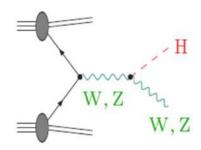
### **Higgs boson production in SM**

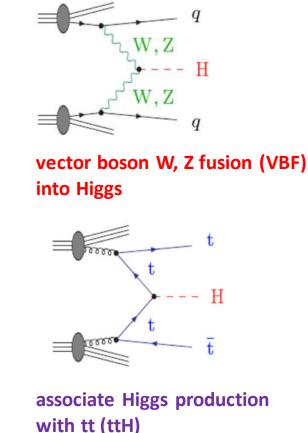
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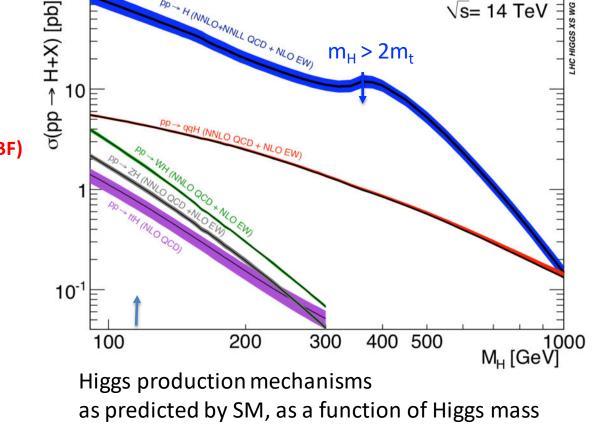
- one needs to produce a heavy particle first, to which Higgs boson couples willingly
- that heavy particle can actually be virtual (in loops) and not present in the final state



gluon fusion into Higgs (ggF). It is loop induced







associate Higgs production with Z/W (VH)

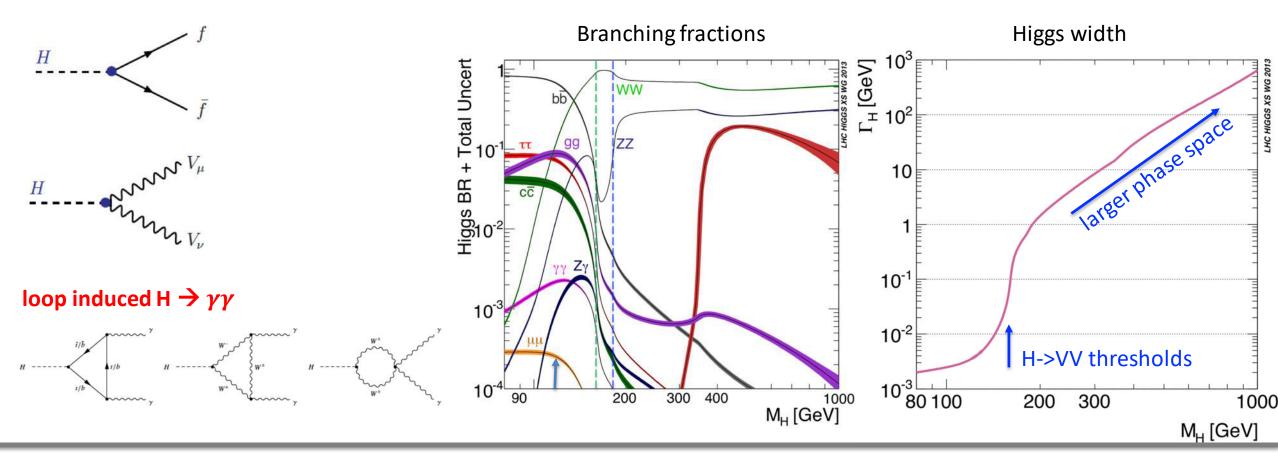
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### SM Higgs boson decays

Higgs boson decay modes and branching fractions are set by its mass and couplings:

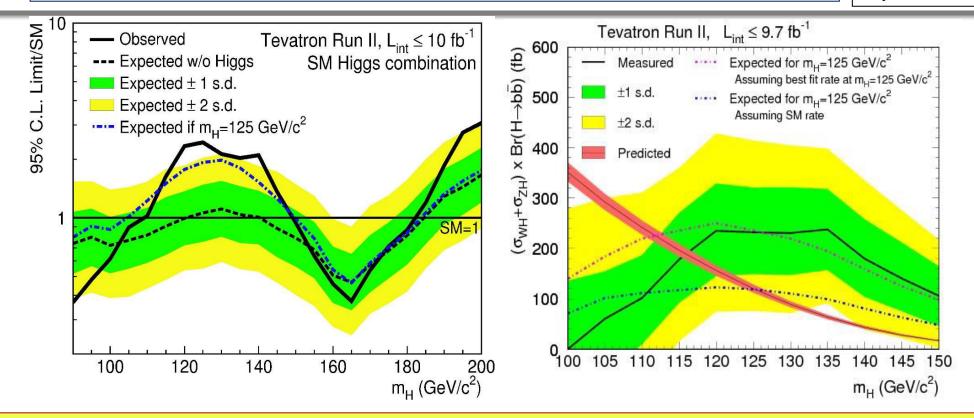
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### **Tevatron past Higgs searches**

### The Tevatron hunt for the Higgs boson

CDF and D0 combined Phys. Rev. Lett. 109 (2012) 071804

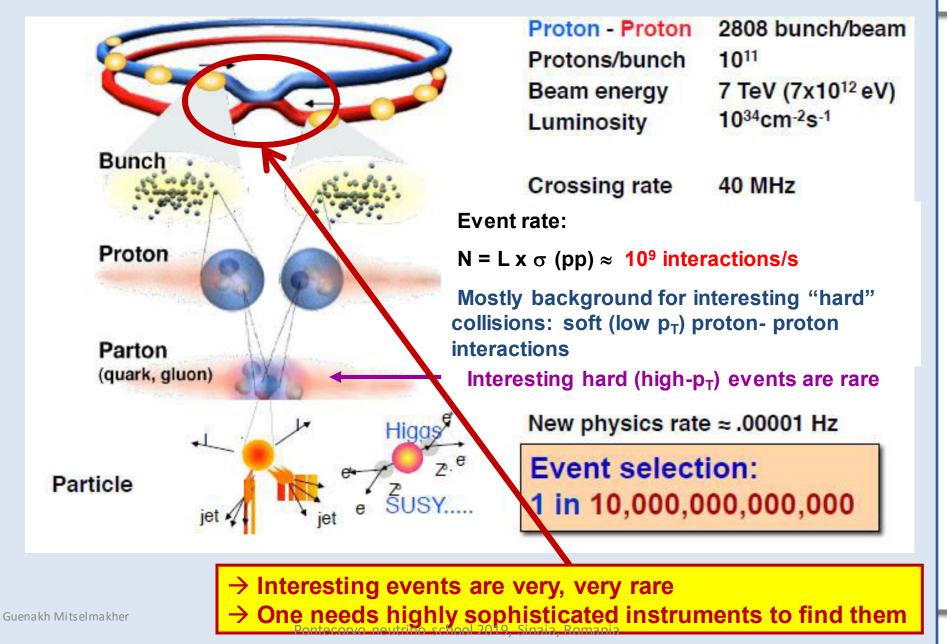


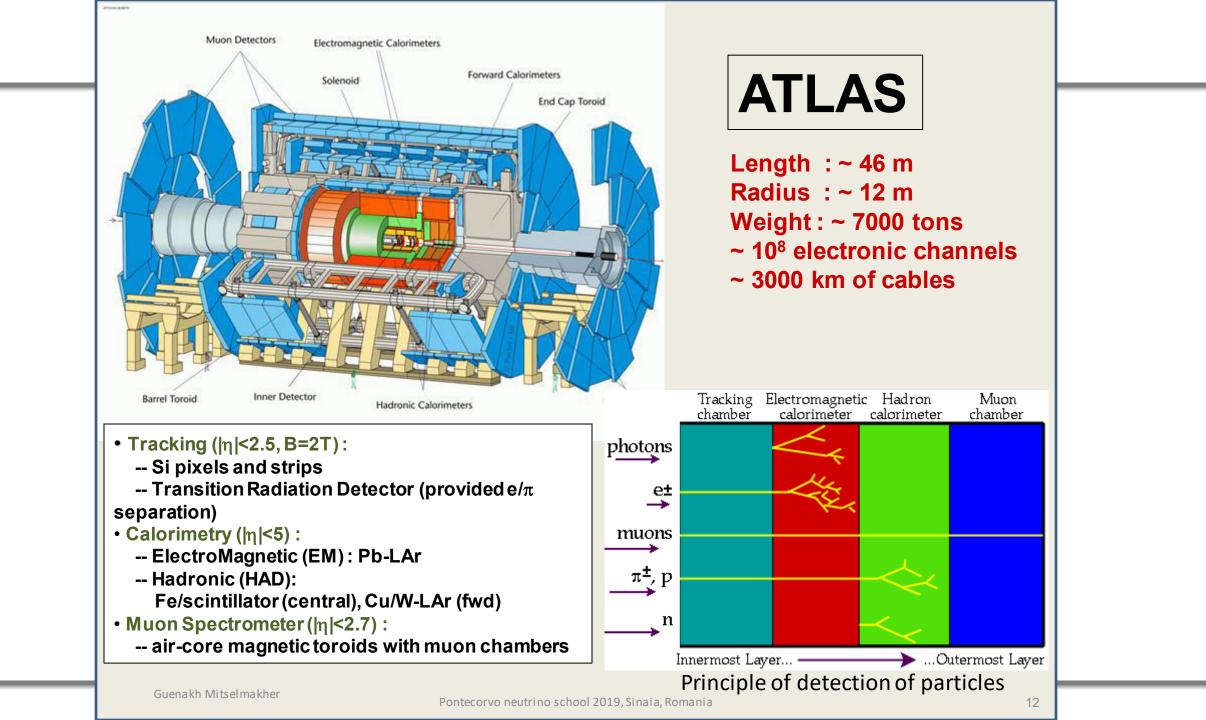
From Paul Grannis, D0 founding spokesperson (June 2018 Fermilab Users Meeting, 'Tevatron Highlights' talk):

'The Higgs was discovered in 2012 at LHC in the  $\gamma\gamma$  & ZZ decays. Simultaneously, CDF & DØ obtained the first  $3\sigma$  evidence for H $\rightarrow$ bb decays, using the combined W(Iv)H, Z(II)H and Z(vv)H channels. This preceded the LHC evidence for fermionic Higgs decays by 4 years and was the first direct evidence for the Higgs Yukawa coupling.'

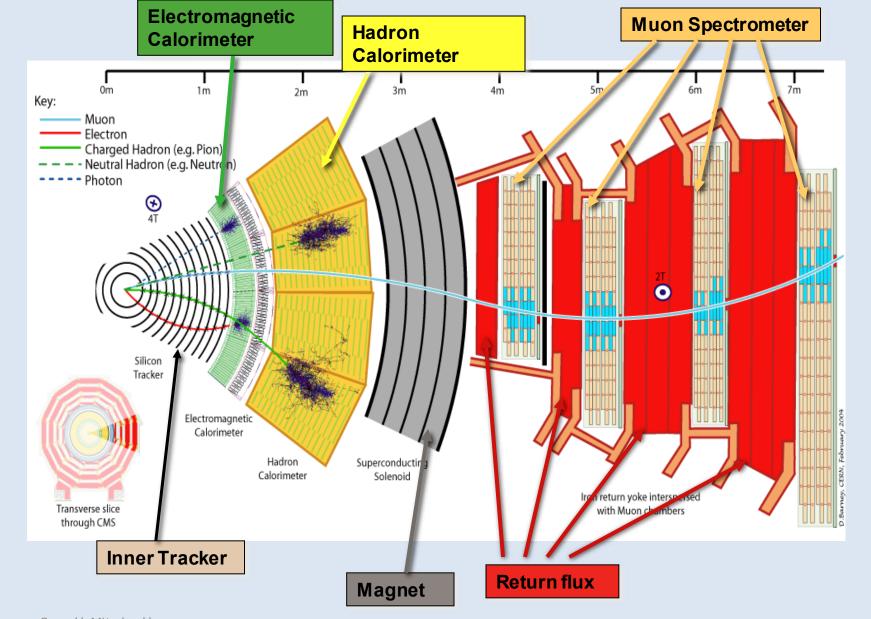
### LHC (collider) and universal detectors: ATLAS and CMS

#### **Collisions at the LHC**



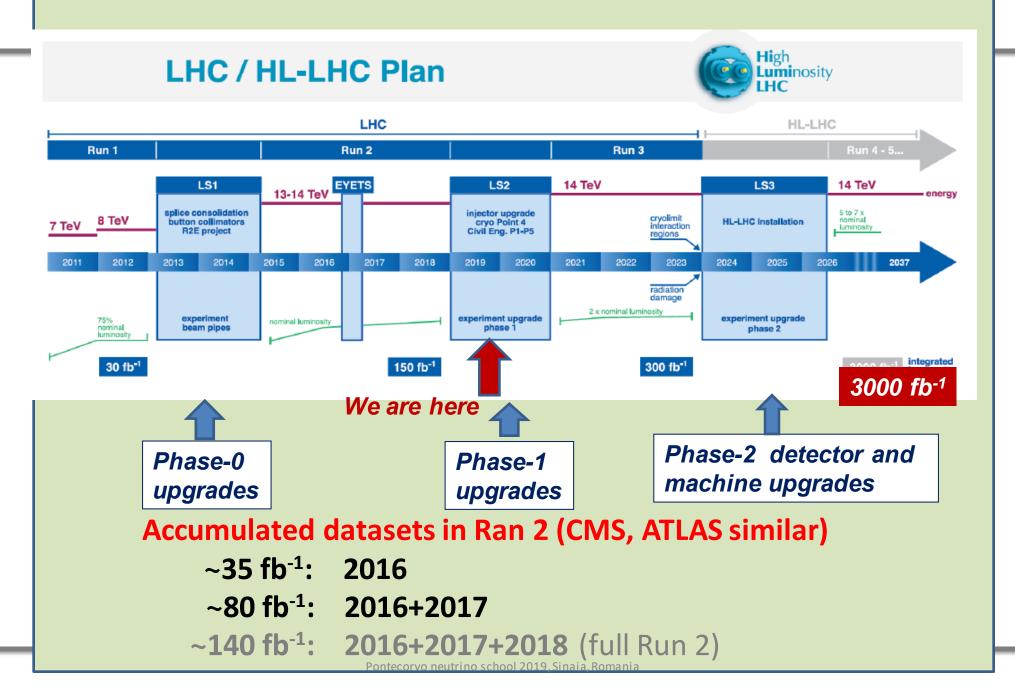


#### Principle of detection of various particles in the sector of CMS



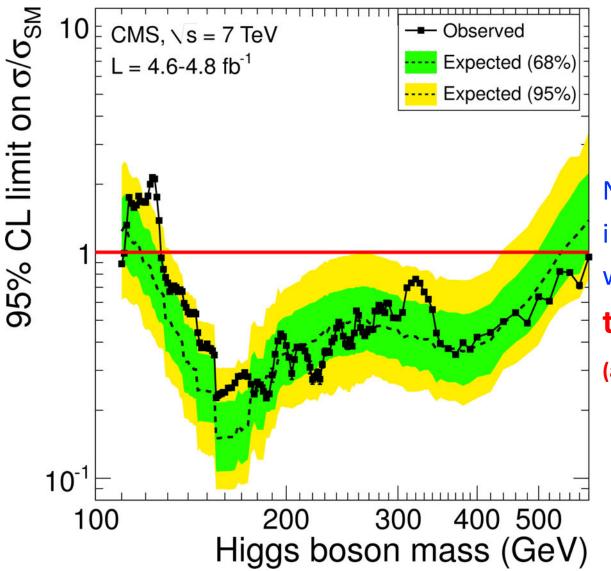
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### **Higgs searches at LHC**

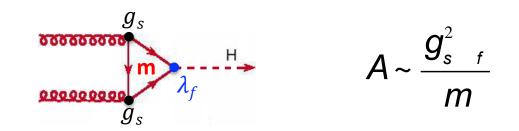
### Physics implications of not seeing Higgs boson early (LHC Higgs experimenal limits in 2011, a year before discovery)



Not seeing a Higgs boson in the entire meaningful mass range with production cross section < 2 x  $\sigma_{SM}$  implies that **there are only 3 SM-like fermion generations** (assuming that 4<sup>th</sup> generation would have heavier quarks)

### **2011: Implications of not seeing Higgs boson early**

Gluon fusion with the top quark in the loop is the dominant Higgs boson production mechanism



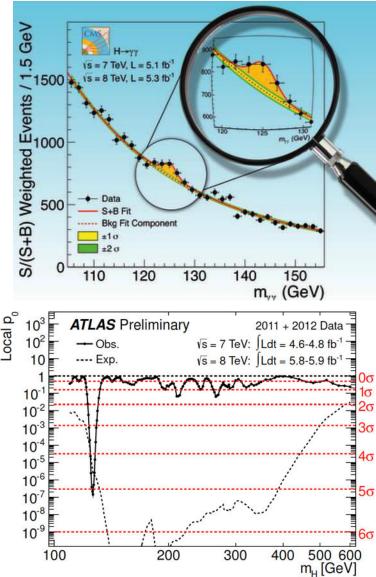
#### **BACK OF ENVELOPE:**

- For heavy quark of mass m (m> $m_H$ ), the amplitude is suppressed as 1/m
- Higgs coupling to the quark is proportional to m,  $\lambda_f \sim m$
- So, for a heavy quark loop, the amplitude is approximately independent of the quark's mass m

#### Should there be a fourth generation of SM-like fermions,

- In addition to the top quark **t** there would be two more heavy quarks, **T** and **B**.
- *However heavy* **T** and **B** might be (and hence not seen directly), each of them would give its own contribution to the production amplitude similar in magnitude to that due to the top quark.
- The production amplitude then becomes 3 times larger.
- The production cross section then becomes 9 times larger (wow!)

### **2012: Discovery of the Higgs boson with mass near 125 GeV** (Announced at seminar at CERN, with a live translation to major HEP conference in Melbourne)

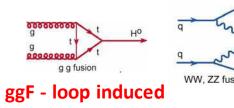


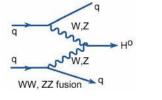


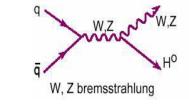
## Reminder of some theoretical SM predictions: Higgs production and decays in SM

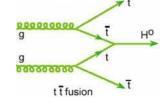
### SM Theory: H(125) production modes in (pb)

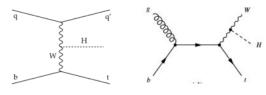
	ggF	VBF	WH	ZH	bbH	ttH	tHq	tHW
8 TeV	19.5	1.60	0.70	0.42	0.20	0.13	0.019	0.0012
13 TeV	44.1	3.78	1.37	0.88	0.49	0.51	0.074	0.0029
ratio	2.3	2.4	2.0	2.1	2.5	3.9	3.9	2.4









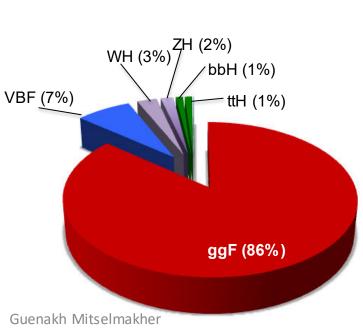


#### How accurate are these predictions?

[LHC Higgs Cross Section Working Group]

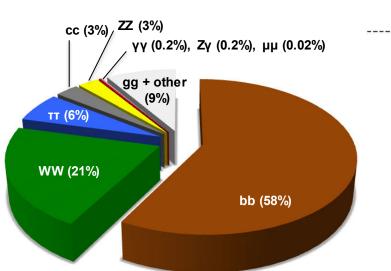
Process	Perturbative calc. order	Theory	Parametric ( $\alpha_s$ )	PDF
ggF	N <sup>3</sup> LO QCD + NLO EW	~5%	~3%	~2%
VBF	NNLO QCD + NLO EWK	~0.4%	~2%	
WH	NNLO QCD + NLO EWK	~0.5%	~1%	
ZH	NNLO QCD + NLO EWK	~3%	~2%	
ttH	NLO QCD + NLO EWK	~8%	~2%	~3%

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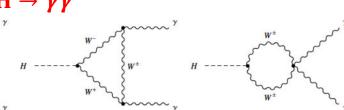
### SM Theory: H(125) prediction for production and decay modes

	bb	ww	ττ	СС	ZZ	YY	Ζγ	μμ	gg +	Highlighted in red
all	58%	21%	6.3%	2.9%	2.6%	0.23%	0.15%	0.022%	9%	are experimentally established decays
leptonic		1.0%			0.012%		0.010%			· · ·



(a) W, Z  $(b) \overline{b}, \tau^{*}, \mu^{*}$ 

 $\lim_{b,\tau^{-},\mu^{-}} \operatorname{loop induced H}_{H \to \gamma\gamma} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ 



The most prolific decay is  $H \rightarrow bb$  (about 60%), also very hard to observe

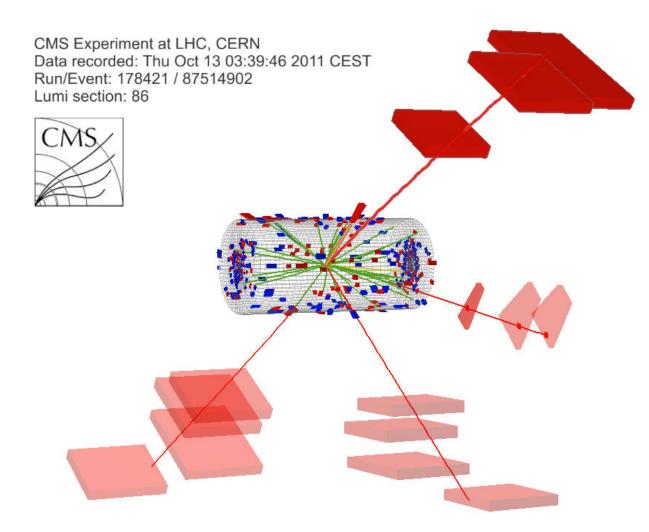
The most sensitive channels for observation are H  $\rightarrow$  ZZ  $\rightarrow$  4l and H  $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ 

**How accurate are these predictions?** [LHC Higgs Cross Section Working Group] Typically 1-2%, more accurate than production cross sections

# Experimental Analyses targeting specific Higgs boson decay modes (specific channels)

### $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$

#### Run 2: $\sigma \times B \times L = 850$ events



#### **Experimental analysis features to note:**

- Relatively low event yield: 850
- best final Signal/Background (S/B) -ratio in this mode, better than 2:1
- Excellent Higgs mass resolution = 1-2%
- As a result: the best channel to observe Higgs at 125 GeV (due to excellent S/B ratio, despite of low yield)
- Best for the Higgs mass measurement (very small systematics, particularly for muons)
- Best for studying Higgs spin-parity J<sup>P</sup> properties (fully reconstructed four-body final state)
- **Best for studying Higgs width, particularly** via ratio of off-shell to on-shell production rates
- Second-best for measuring cross sections (after the diphoton channel)

### $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ : analysis strategy

(experimental selections to reduce backgrounds)

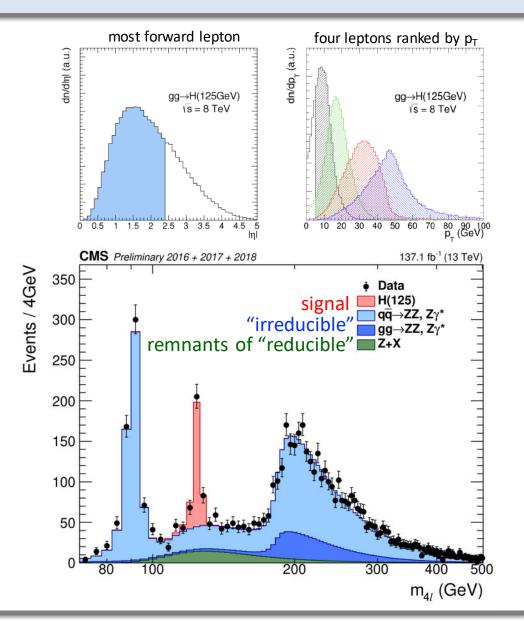
**Selection:** four "stable" (directly detected) leptons, e and/or  $\mu$  (relatively low  $p_T$  and forward leptons important for high efficiency of detected events! See pictures)

#### pp-collisions have plenty of leptons, produced in jets

Selection: require all four photons to be isolated and not displaced wrt Interaction Point (IP). This will kill most of leptons produced in jets background; it is hence called "reducible" background

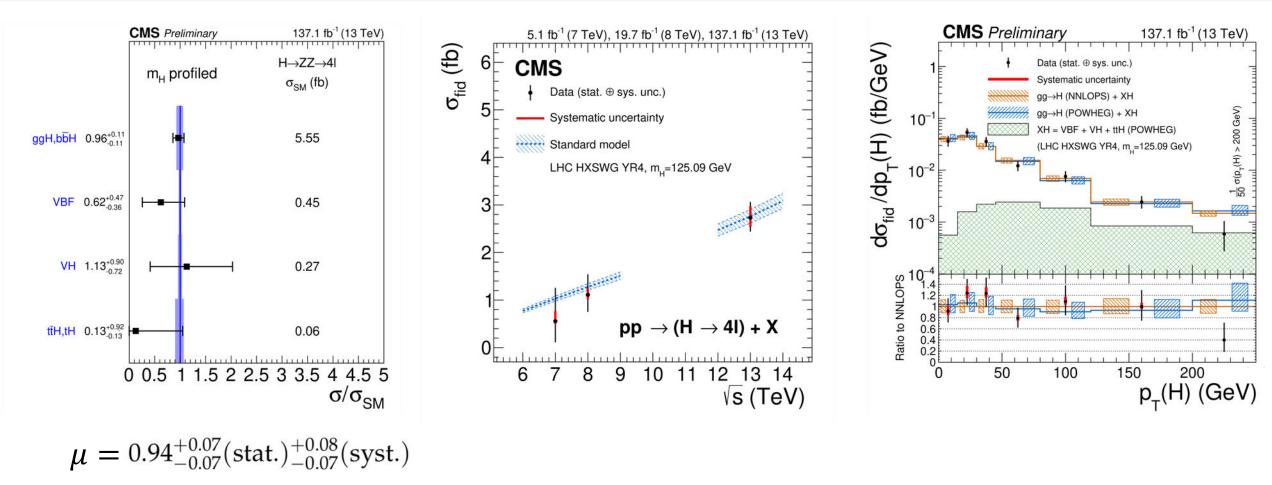
**BUT: there is still large "irreducible" background, e.g. pp->ZZ->4** Invariant mass of such four leptons will be all over the place

### **Selection:** look for a narrow peak (dm/m = 1%) in four-lepton mass distribution



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#### $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ differential production rates a subset of results

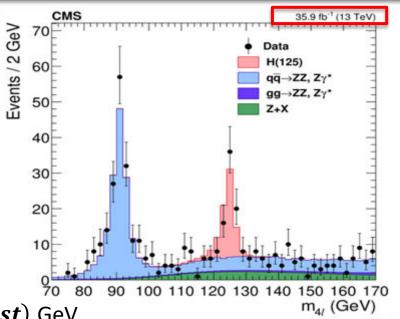


#### All event rates measurements agree with the SM predictions

### $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ : Higgs mass measurement

#### Mass measurement:

- Three event categories:  $4\mu$ ,  $2e2\mu$ , 4e
- Momenta of two leptons forming Z<sub>1</sub> are refit using *pdf*<sub>Z1</sub>(m<sub>II</sub>)
- Fit is performed for  $m_{\rm H}$  in 3D space:  $pdf(m_{4l}, D_{bkg}^{kin}, \sigma_{m_{4l}}|m_{\rm H})$
- With respect to using just mass distribution
  - Z<sub>1</sub>-refit improves m<sub>H</sub> measurement by **10%**
  - per-event four-lepton uncertainties -- by 8%
  - ME-based discriminant (signal-vs-background) -- by 3%



#### Run 2, 2016 CMS result: $m_{ m H} = 125.26 \pm 0.21 = 125.26 \pm 0.20 (stat) \pm 0.08 (syst)$ GeV

This is the best Higgs boson mass measurement at the moment

Run 1	2016 dataset	H->ZZ->4I	Η->γγ	Combination
ATLAS+CMS ZZ+ $\gamma\gamma$ combination	ATLAS	$124.79\pm0.37$	$124.93\pm0.40$	$124.97\pm0.24$
$125.09 \pm 0.24$ GeV	СМЅ	$\textbf{125.26} \pm \textbf{0.21}$	$125.4\pm0.3$	

Awaiting updates with full Run 2 dataset, stat errors are expected to improve by a factor of 2 (systematic errors smaller!) With HL-LHC results: stat error will improve by a factor of 10: ~20 MeV One needs to improve systematics proportionally to about 10 MeV, or 0.01% – huge challenge!

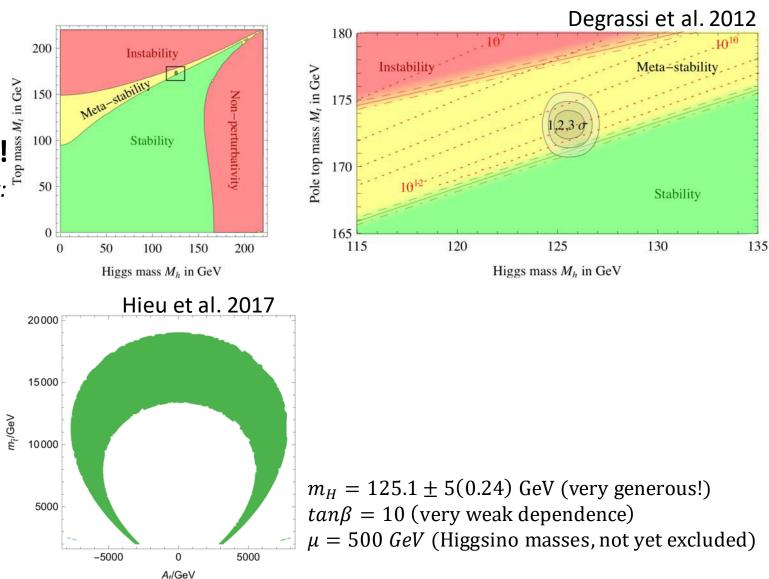
### $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ : Higgs boson mass implications (fun stuff)

#### Vacuum stability:

- If no BSM will be found up to the Planck scale, the experimental top quark and Higgs boson masses seem to imply that we may be living in a metastable universe what?!
- If you about to get scared, you can relax a bit: <sup>β</sup> with m<sub>t</sub> = 173 GeV and m<sub>H</sub> = 126 GeV,
   τ<sub>transition</sub> ~ 10<sup>588</sup> T<sub>Universe</sub>

#### **MSSM constraints:**

- In MSSM, at tree level, Higgs mass m<sub>H</sub><m<sub>z</sub>.
- One can boost it somewhat higher (up to as much as 130 GeV or so) via loop corrections
- Mass m<sub>H</sub>=125 is fairly large and sets interesting constraints on the average mass of two stop quarks (SUSY partners of the top quark).



### **Spin-parity (J<sup>P</sup>) properties**



#### PARITY (P)

Spin – internal quantum number of a particle; its internal angular momentum. It is quantized,  $J = \frac{1}{2}\hbar \cdot n$ 

#### Experimentally, we see $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ decays:

- Spin must be integer (it is a boson)
- Spin cannot be 1 by the Landau-Yang theorem (a massive spin-1 particle cannot decay to two photons)

#### Can spin be 0?

• Yes. In fact, for SM Higgs boson, J=0.

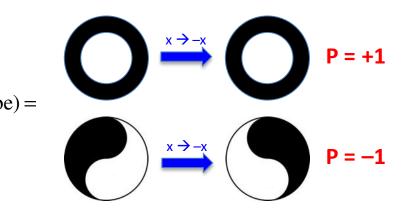
#### Can spin be 2?

- Many theorists say don't bother; a massive spin-2 particle cannot be elementary (QFT is a mess otherwise)
- Experimentalists say... we must check

Parity -- internal quantum number of a particle, like its spin ] Allowed values:  $P = \pm 1$  (*or even/odd*)

Symmetry upon reflection in a mirror  $(x \rightarrow -x)$ 

$$\hat{P} = P$$
  
 $\hat{P}(\hat{P}) = P^2 = (must b)$   
Allowed  $P = \pm 1$ 



The Higgs boson in SM is scalar P=+1 (as opposed to pseudo-scalar P=-1)

### $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ : Spin-Parity and more (1)

For a spin-0 boson, the most general amplitude describing its on-shell decay to two vector bosons (V) of mass  $m_V$  can be translated into the following effective Lagrangian:

For a spin2 boson, the number of distinct terms is more than twice larger...

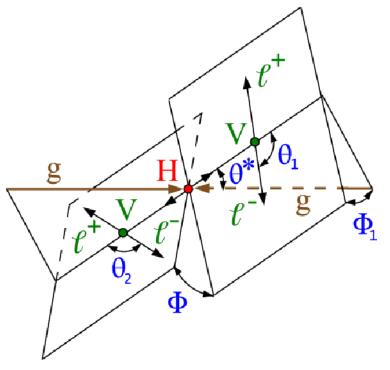
### $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ : Spin-Parity and more (2)

- Essential kinematics of a four-lepton final state can be fully described by 7 observables.
- Distributions and correlations of these observables are sensitive to the presence of all underlying decay amplitude terms.
- With all four leptons reconstructed, one can identify which distinct terms are responsible for decays – this goes beyond just spin-parity study

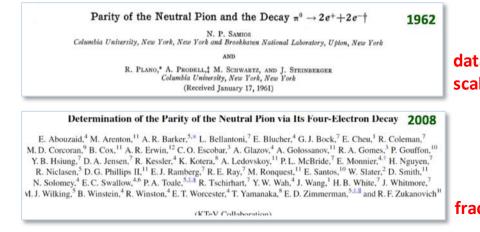
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4 leptons x (p_x, p_y, p_z) = 12
COM frame: P_x=0, P_y=0, P_z=0 (-3)
Phi rotation of the entire system is not essential: (-1)
E in COM frame = m_H: (-1)
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12 - 3 - 1 - 1 = 7

Usually, these observables are: 5 angles shown in the figure + invariant mass of dileptons associated with each V.



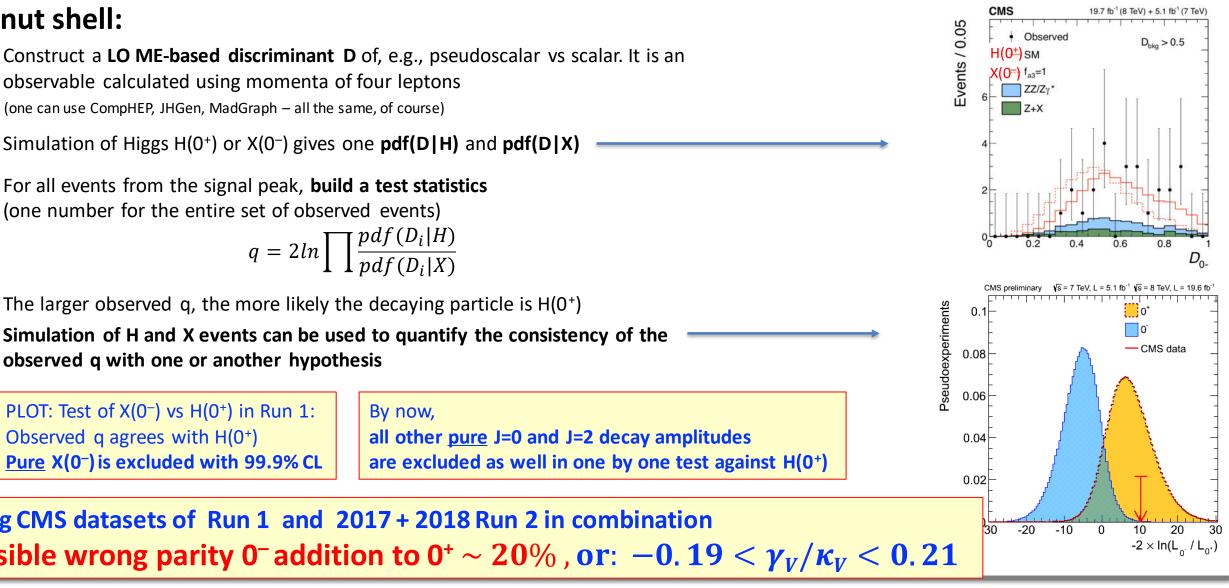
#### Overall, this is reminiscent of the classic $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow 4e$ studies



data agree with pseudoscalar hypothesis, scalar excluded at  $3.6\sigma$ 

fractional scalar amplitude admixture < 0.033

### $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ : Spin-Parity results



- (one can use CompHEP, JHGen, MadGraph all the same, of course)
- Simulation of Higgs  $H(0^+)$  or  $X(0^-)$  gives one pdf(D|H) and pdf(D|X)
- For all events from the signal peak, **build a test statistics** (one number for the entire set of observed events)  $-2lm \prod pdf(D_i|H)$

$$q = 2\ln \prod \frac{1}{pdf(D_i|X)}$$

- The larger observed q, the more likely the decaying particle is  $H(0^+)$
- Simulation of H and X events can be used to quantify the consistency of the observed q with one or another hypothesis

PLOT: Test of  $X(0^-)$  vs  $H(0^+)$  in Run 1: Observed q agrees with  $H(0^+)$ Pure X(0<sup>-</sup>) is excluded with 99.9% CL

By now,

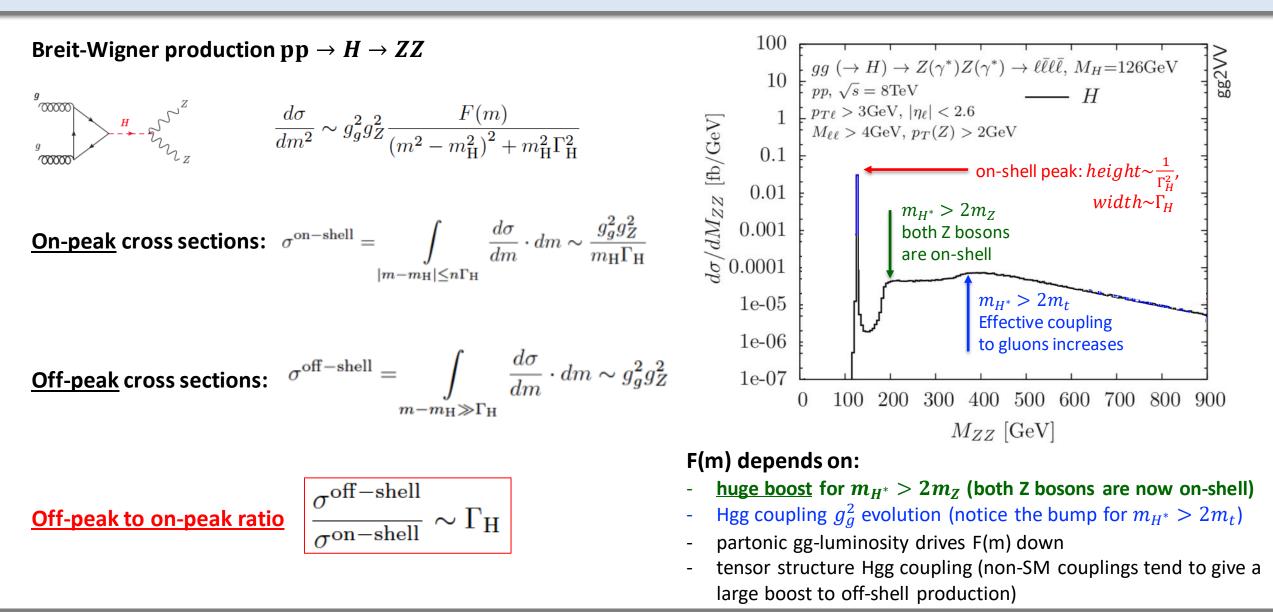
are excluded as well in one by one test against H(0<sup>+</sup>)

#### Using CMS datasets of Run 1 and 2017 + 2018 Run 2 in combination Possible wrong parity 0<sup>-</sup> addition to 0<sup>+</sup> $\sim 20\%$ , or: $-0.19 < \gamma_v/\kappa_v < 0.21$

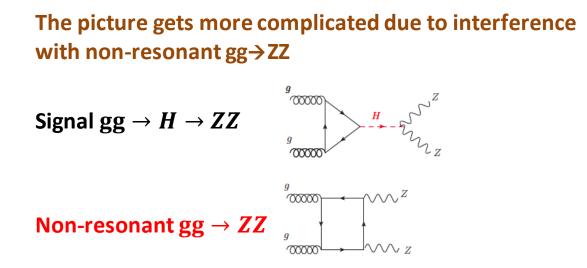
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In nut shell:

### $H \rightarrow ZZ$ : $\Gamma_{H}$ from off-shell to on-shell production



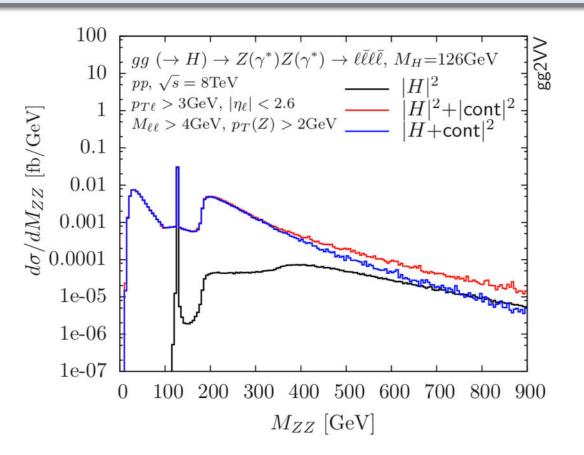
### $H \rightarrow ZZ$ : $\Gamma_{H}$ from off-shell to on-shell production (results)



#### The two amplitudes have negative interference

Assuming constant yield for on-shell events, the event yield in the tail changes with Higgs width as

$$N\sim 1-2\alpha\sqrt{\Gamma}+\alpha^2\Gamma$$



#### CMS RESULTS (ZZ→4I/2I2v; Run 1 + 2017+2018):

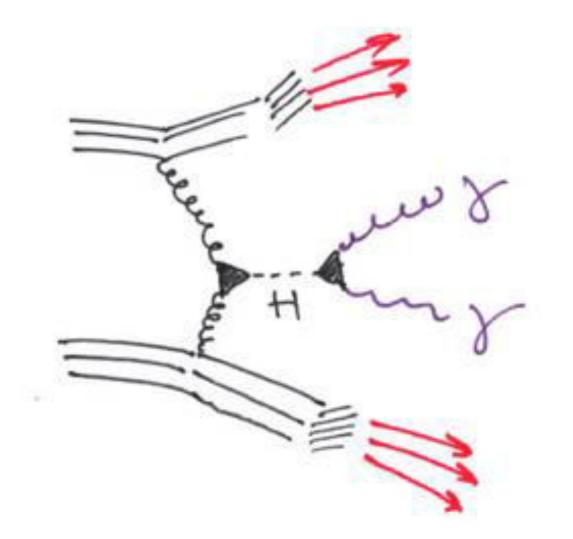
 $\Gamma_{\rm H} \,({\rm MeV}) = 3.2^{+2.8}_{-2.2} \,[0.08, 9.16]$ 

#### Result comparable with the SM Higgs width $\Gamma_{\rm H}$ = 4.0 MeV, Much better precision than results of direct $\Gamma_{\rm H}$ Measurements

[95% Conf. Interval]

### $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

#### Run 2: σ×B×L = 16K events



#### Analysis features to note:

- fairly high event yield:  $20 \times (H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell)$
- Excellent Higgs mass resolution: 1-2%
- fair final S/B-ratio: 1:20
- Excludes J=1 (Landau-Yan theorem)
- Best for measuring cross sections (comb. of high yield and fair S/B ratio)
- Good for Higgs mass measurement but not the best due to systematics
- **Decay is via loop:** look for BSM contributions!

### $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ : analysis strategy

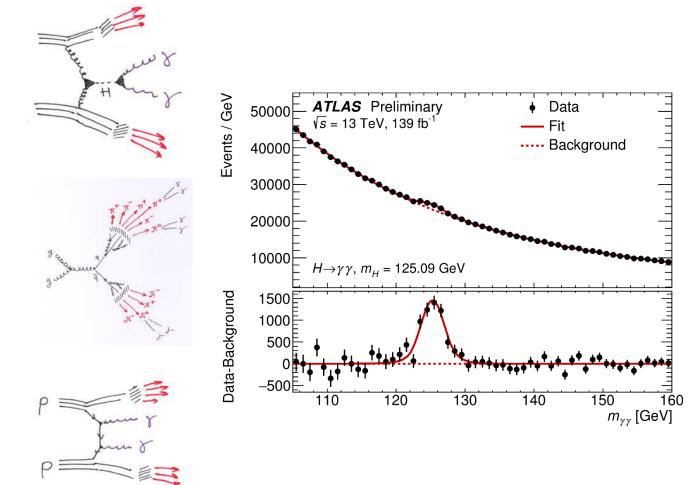
#### **Selection:** two photons

**BUT:** pp-collisions have plenty of photons produced in jets!

#### Selection: require two photons to be isolated

**BUT:** there is still large "irreducible" background. Invariant mass of such photon pairs will be all over the place, i.e it should gave a broad distribution

Selection: look for a narrow peak 
$$\left(\frac{\delta m}{m} \sim 1\%\right)$$
  
In di-photon mass distribution



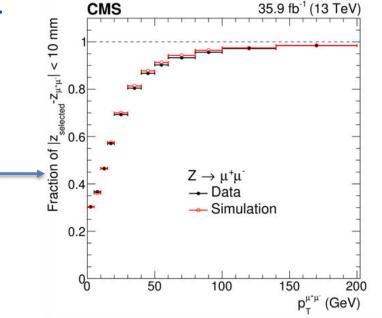
### $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ : analysis strategy (cont'd)

**BUT:** To form an invariant mass, one must know the origin (primary vertex) from which photons come from, and there are many vertices in the PU spread over about  $\pm 10$  cm (bunch size)

**Selection:** Take the vertex with the largest energy flow of charged particles.

**Validation:** Can one validate how well we do it? Yes, use Drell-Yan  $pp \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events. Muons unambiguously identify collision from which they come from. Remove muons from the list of reconstructed particles and select a vertex as you would do for a di-photon event. Probability to get it right is indeed high.

**Selection:** ATLAS EM calorimeter is capable of providing good photon directionality – this is used for vertex unique determination too.



Validation of correct vertex finding using Drell-Yan events

### $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ : analysis strategy (cont'd 1)

**Categorization (1):** Categorize events (i.e. put them in different buckets), based on presence of "production mechanism tags": VBF, WH, ZH, ttH, untagged (more on the next slide).

1) Categorization helps to separate events with different S/B ratios and improves the total precision (As we get more and more data, we always find more ways to slice the data.)

2) This is also obviously necessary for studying relative contributions of different production mechanisms

**Beware:** Experimental "tags" are never pure, i.e. X-tagged events do not necessarily come from production mechanism X. (Of course, the fraction of X-produced events is enhanced by construction.)

<b>CMS</b> Simulation $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$						
	ggH VBF ttH bbH Hq tHq					
	WH leptonic ZH leptonic WH hadronic ZH hadronic					
Untagged 0	- 32.5 expected events					
Untagged 1	469.3 expected events					
Untagged 2	678.3 expected events					
Untagged 3	624.3 expected events					
VBF 0	9.3 expected events					
VBF 1	8.0 expected events					
VBF 2	25.2 expected events					
ttH Hadronic	5.6 expected events					
ttH Leptonic	3.8 expected events					
ZH Leptonic	0.5 expected events					
WH Leptonic	3.6 expected events					
VH LeptonicLoose	2.7 expected events					
VH Hadronic	7.9 expected events					
VH MET	4.0 expected events					
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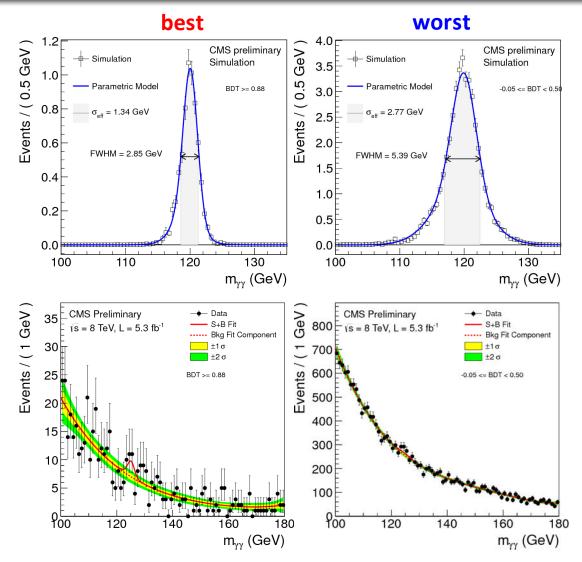
### $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ : analysis strategy (cont'd 2)

**Categorization (2):** *not all photons are equal!* The untagged category (the largest) is always sub-divided further based on the expected diphoton mass resolution:

A photon's energy measurement resolution depends strongly on whether the photon is measured in the **central or forward parts of the detector**.

A photon's energy measurement resolution also depends on whether the photon is **converted on not** to e+e- pair in the tracker on the way to ECAL.

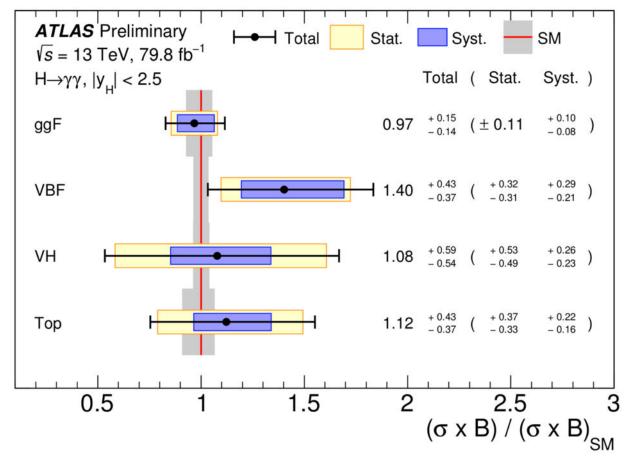
Events with **PV deemed to be reconstructed unreliably** have a worse diphoton mass resolution as well



#### Observe the differences in $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ resolutions, S/B ratios

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### $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ results: signal strength



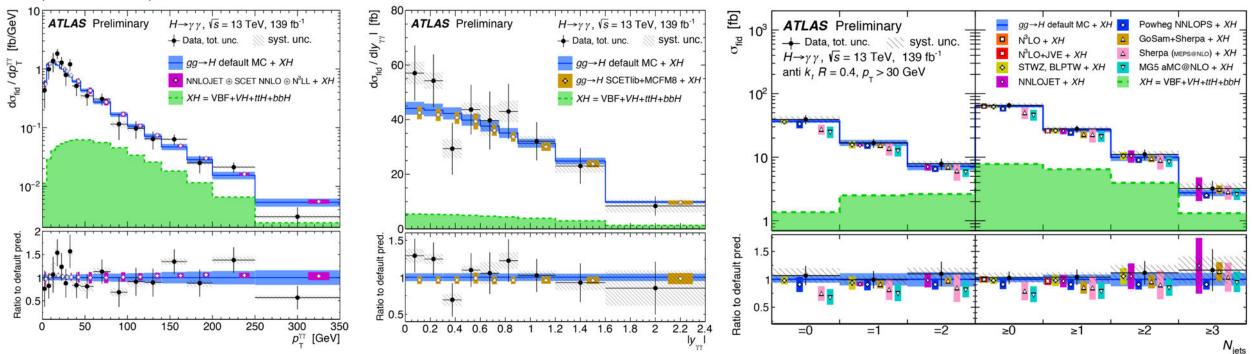
#### (Run 2, 2016+2017 = 60% of all Run 2)

All four main production modes are probed with reasonable sensitivities. Observations agree with the expectations for SM Higgs boson.

- Overall signal strength [ATLAS, 80 fb<sup>-1</sup>]:  $\mu = 1.06^{+0.14}_{-0.12} = 1.06 \pm 0.08 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+0.08}_{-0.07} \text{ (exp.)} {}^{+0.07}_{-0.06} \text{ (theo.)}$
- stat errors ≈ exp. syst. ≈ theory uncertainties in ggF
   Looking ahead, a very hard life awaits both
   experimentalists and theorists

### $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ results: differential cross sections

(Full Run 2)



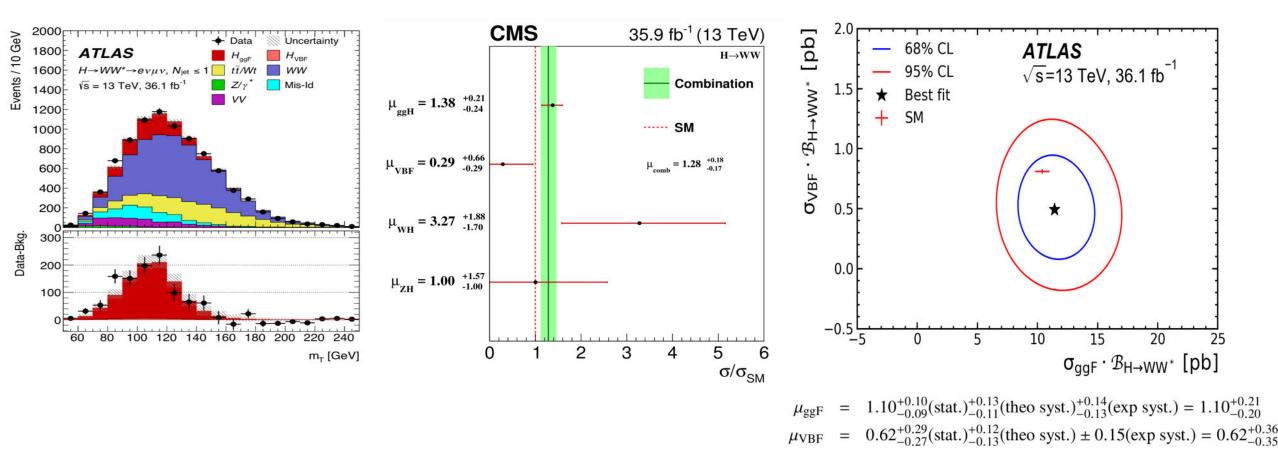
- There are already many different results: very detailed studies of Higgs production are beginning to unfold
- Experiment massively confronts theory (Recall that ggF calculations are notoriously challenging!)
- BSM physics may reveal itself in the tails of distributions (e.g., Higgs high pT tail)

 $H \to WW \to \ell \nu \ell \nu$  r

#### **Analysis features to note:**

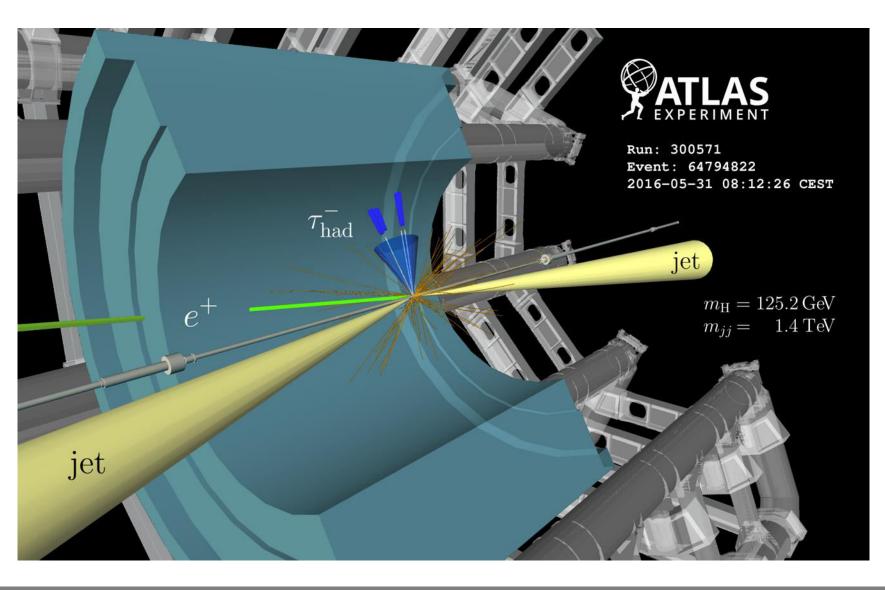
- high event yield: 5  $\times$  (H  $\rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ )
- Neutrinos in each event: loss of energy (loss of information)
- Many backgrounds: WW, tt, Drell-Yan, W+jets, afer removal large systematic errors remain
- bad mass resolution ~15%
- fair final S/B-ratio: 1:5
- Reasonable sensitivity to Higgs at 125 GeV (high yield with fair S/B)

### $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell \nu \ell \nu$ : results (Run 2, 2016)



After several selections suppressing backgrounds, Higgs signal is clearly seen on the left plot (top red) With the full Run 2 dataset, the stat errors will be reduced by a factor of two, but systematic errors are very significant. Improving systematic uncertainties is a challenge for both the experimentalists and theorists

#### $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$



#### Analysis features to note:

- Very high event yield:  $6 \times (H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell \nu \ell \nu)$
- Taus decays
  - with one/two neutrinos each: loss of energy information
  - 2/3 of decays are hadronic: expect large background
- bad mass resolution: ~15%
- Bad final S/B-ratio: 1:50
- The best channel to probe Higgs boson couplings to leptons since Tau mass is large

### $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$ : analysis strategy (1)

#### Strategy:

Selection: di-tau pairs (eτ<sub>h</sub>, μτ<sub>h</sub>, eμ, ee, μμ, τ<sub>h</sub>τ<sub>h</sub>) + MET
 DiTau mass (including MET): key observable

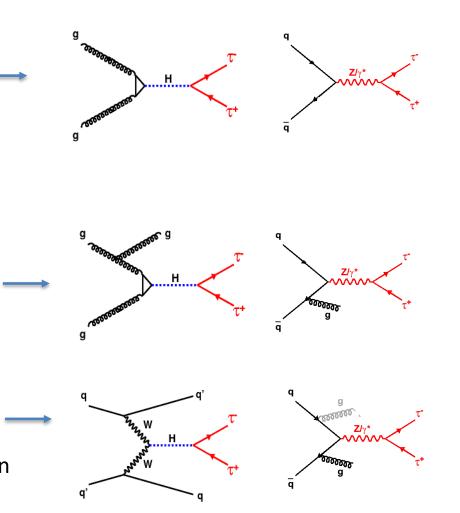
#### Main background is Drell-Yan

It is huge and "irreducible" – it is very difficult to compete with

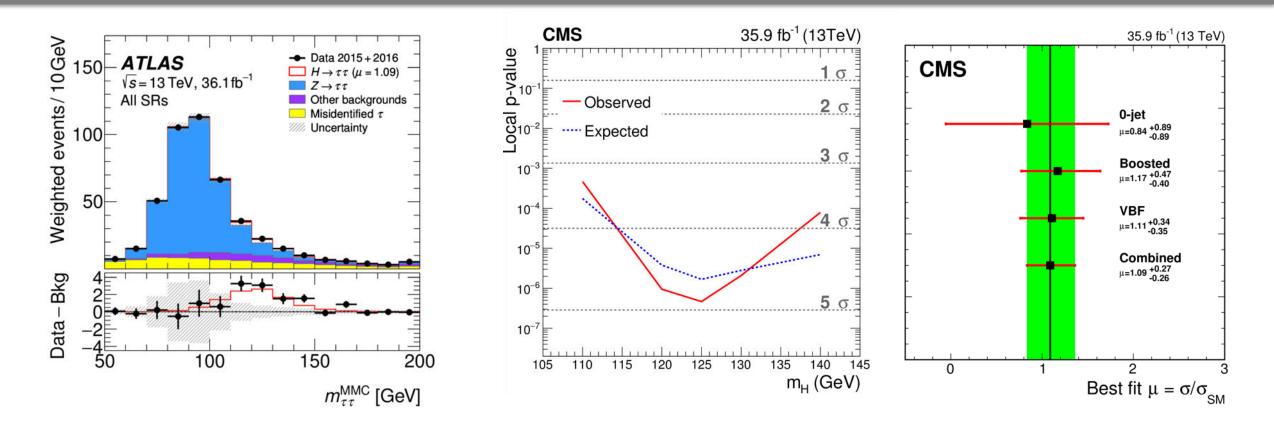
### Introduce a category with a high $p_T$ jet (boosted Higgs, suppressing Drell-Yan)

ISR off quarks in DY is  $\sim c_F \alpha_s$ , ISR off gluons for ggF is  $\sim c_V \alpha_s$  (twice more intense than for quarks)

Introduce a VBF di-jet category, also suppressing Drell-Yan VBF/ggF ~ 0.1 (DY+2 jets)/DY ~  $\alpha_s^2$  ~ 0.01. VBF dijet selection – bkg more suppression



### $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$ : observed! (at the right place, with the right strength)



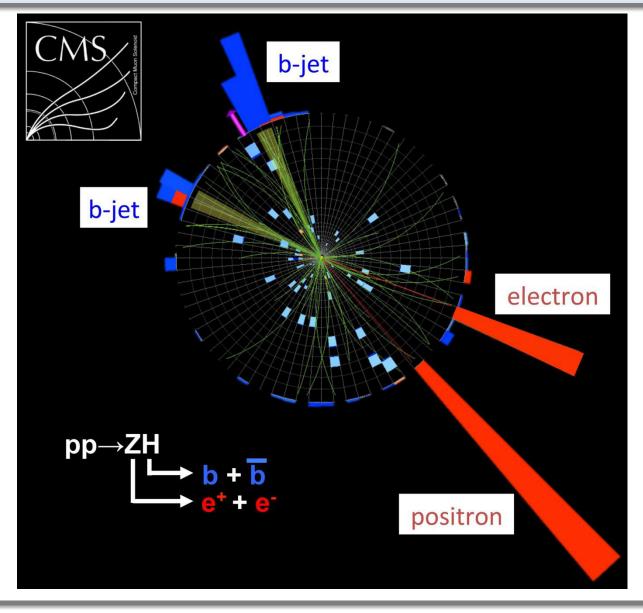
ATLAS Run 1 + Run 2 (2016) Significance =  $6.4\sigma$  $\mu = 1.09^{+0.18}_{-0.17}$  (stat.)  $^{+0.26}_{-0.22}$  (syst.)  $^{+0.16}_{-0.11}$  (theory syst.)

CMS Run 1 + Run 2 (2016) Significance =  $5.9\sigma$  $\mu = 1.09^{+0.15}_{-0.15} (\text{stat})^{+0.16}_{-0.15} (\text{syst})^{+0.10}_{-0.08} (\text{theo})^{+0.13}_{-0.12} (\text{bin-by-bin}).$ 

\* Signal strength is for the 2016 data alone

### $H \rightarrow bb$

#### Run 2: $\sigma \times B \times L = 4M$ events



#### Analysis features to note:

- The **highest** event yield:  $9 \times (H \rightarrow \tau \tau)$
- b-quarks make jets
- **bad** mass resolution: ~10%
- Huge QCD background At the time before the LHC startup, an observation of this decay at LHC was widely thought to be impossible due to overwhelmingly large QCD bkg...
- After selections: much better acceptable final S/B-ratio: 1:20

### $H \rightarrow bb$ : analysis strategy (1)

#### Selection: two b-jets

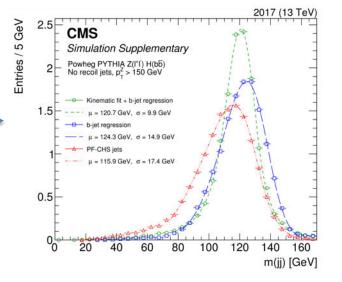
**BUT:** QCD **pp**  $\rightarrow$  **bb** background is **10**<sup>7</sup> times larger than signal

**Categorization:** Use the full suite of production tags enhancing S/B in the sum the order of the best-to-worst S/B sensitivities in the categories:

- VH: Z(II), Z(vv), W(Iv) most sensitive;
- ttH:
- VBF
- ggF+jet (boosted Higgs)

#### Use in the above recently Improved di-jet mass resolution:

- Apply b-jet specific corrections dependent on the jet substructure (e.g., presence of soft muons).
- For Z(II)H(bb) candidates, refit jet energies with a constraint that MET=0 (within uncertainties).



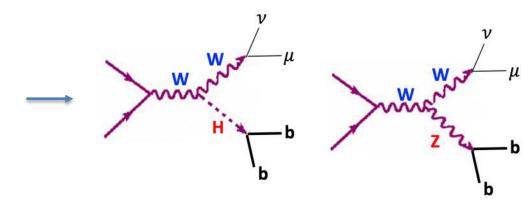
### $H \rightarrow bb$ : analysis strategy (2)

#### Main remaining backgrounds

- Vbb, Vcc, V+jets, ttbar, single-top: all assessed from control regions
- VV: from simulation

#### VZ(bb) is a standard candle in this analysis:

- Experimentally, VZ(bb) is nearly identical to VH(bb), except for the mass of the  $j_b j_b$ -system.
- The expected VZ(bb) event rate is somewhat larger than that of VH(bb).

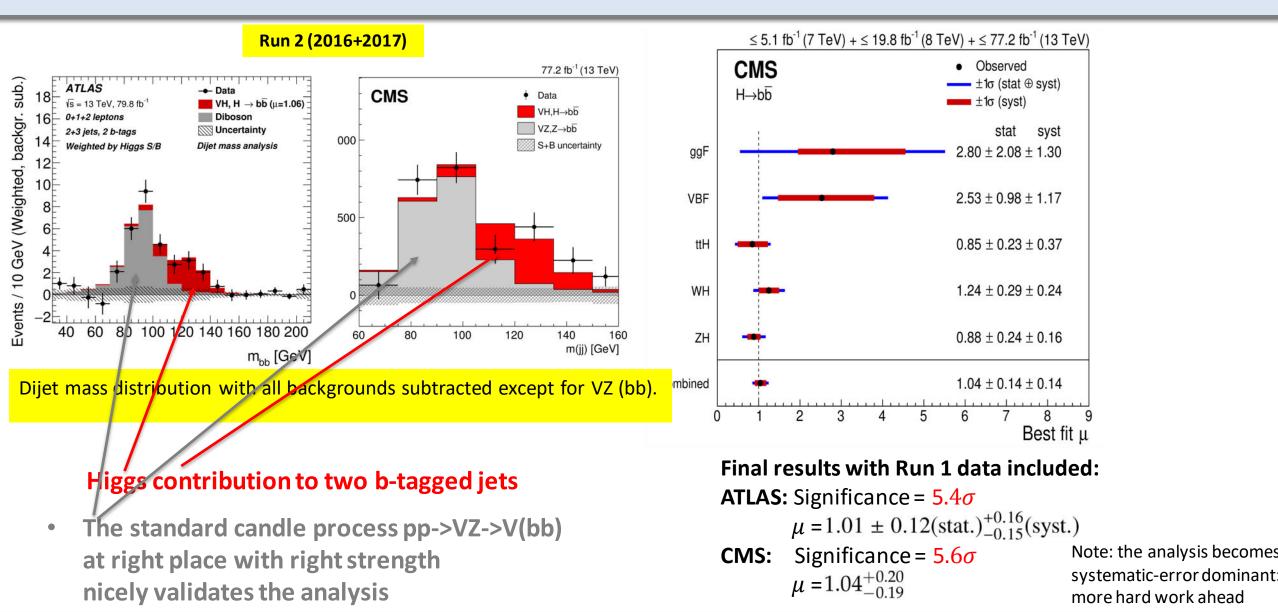


### **For finding final observable MVA-discriminant is used.** It is trained on MC samples (signal vs bkg soup). The most important input observables used in the training:

- m(j<sub>b</sub>j<sub>b</sub>)
- p<sub>T</sub>(V)
- b-tag quality (score) of two b-jets
- angular separation of two b-jets
- number of additional jets (top events tend to have more jets)

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#### $H \rightarrow bb: observed!$ (at the right place, with the right strength)



### Higgs (125) coupling with 2<sup>nd</sup> generation particles

### **Probing Higgs couplings to the 2<sup>nd</sup> gen. fermions ?**

## All production/decay modes observed are associated with Higgs boson couplings to the 3<sup>rd</sup> generation fermions only (and W/Z bosons).

Fermions in the other generations are much lighter and their couplings to the Higgs boson are expected to be much smaller (~m), and hence the expected decay rates are much smaller (~m<sup>2</sup>).

#### Can we possibly probe Higgs couplings to fermions in at least second generation: $\mu$ , c, s?

#### Muon:

- Muon is 17 times lighter than tau lepton (BR(H-> $\tau\tau$ )=6%)
- BR(H-> $\mu\mu$ )=0.02% tiny, 10<sup>×</sup> smaller than BR(H-> $\gamma\gamma$ ) **BAD**
- Muons are well identifiable particles at LHC GOOD
- Signal dimuon mass will form a narrow peak GOOD
- There is huge Drell-Yan production of muon pairs -- **BAD**

#### Charm:

- Charm is >3 times lighter than b-quark ( $BR(H \rightarrow bb)=60\%$ )
- BR(H $\rightarrow$ cc)=3% much smaller than H $\rightarrow$ bb **BAD**
- Charm jets are hard to tag, their properties are somewhere between "light-flavor" jets and b-jets. One needs to fight overwhelming "light-flavor" jet background on one side and b-jet background on the other side (including H→bb!) – TERRIBLE

### Search for $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ (1)

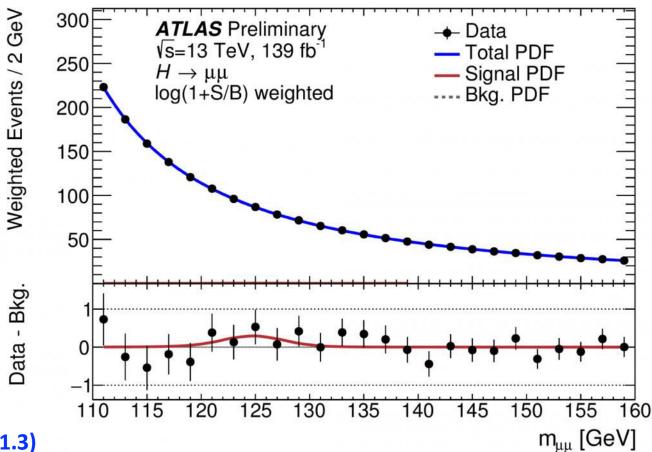
#### **Analysis features to note**

Very small signal very bad "effective" S/B-ratio: ~1:400 (!) good mass resolution: 1-2%

#### Backgrounds: mostly DY, some tt

#### **Event Selection Strategy**

 SELECTION: 2 high-p<sub>T</sub> muons, isolated, not displaced key observable: di-muon mass



RESULT: Upper limit on signal strength 1.7 (expected 1.3) Signal strength  $\mu = 0.5 \pm 0.7$ 

#### Probing Higgs (125) → invisible decays (BSM level?)

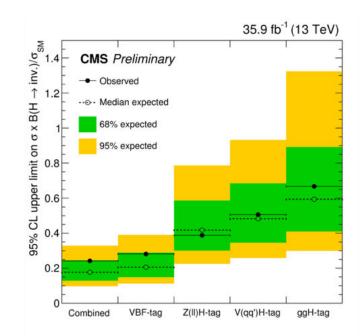
### Search for $H(125) \rightarrow invisible$ (BSM?)

- In SM,  $BR(H \rightarrow invisible) = 0.1\%$  (due to  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4v$ )
- Searches for H→invisible probe BSM possibilities, e.g., Higgs boson decaying to DM particles
- Direct search: production modes exploited

   <sup>x</sup>/<sub>x</sub>
   <sup>y</sup>/<sub>y</sub>
   <sup></sup>
- Main backgrounds: Z(vv)+jets, W(lv)+jets, Z(vv)+V, tt
- **RESULT: Direct search upper limits:**

Run 2, 2016: $BR(H \to inv) < 0.26$  at 95% CLCombined with Run 1: $BR(H \to inv) < 0.19$  at 95% CL

**Side note:** Combination of all visible decays is also sensitive to invisible decays. More on that later

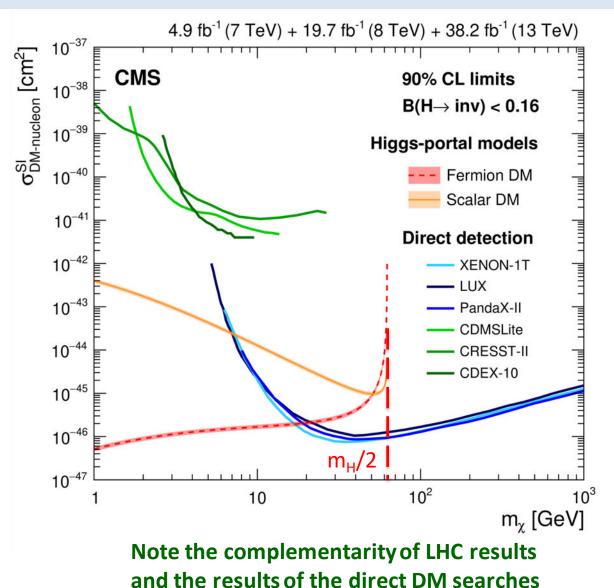


# as dark matter searches

- Limit on BR(H→inv) can be recast in the context of direct dark matter searches assuming Higgs is the mediator of interaction between DM and SM particles
- Direct DM searches look for scattering rate of DM+N -> DM+N.

Rate = (cross section DM+N -> DM+N) x (DM flux) x (Target size), where the flux is know from the local DM density, assumed dark matter mass, m<sub>MD</sub>, and the sun's velocity in our galaxy

• This coupling sets a limit on cross section DM+N -> DM+N



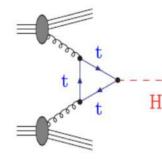
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# Experimental Analyses targeting specific Higgs boson production modes

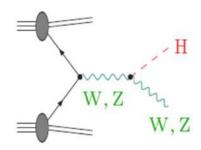
### **Higgs boson production in SM**

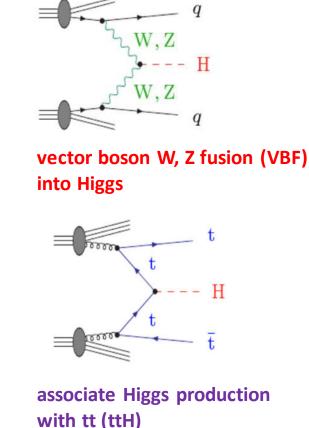
#### **Couplings define the dominant productions mechanisms:**

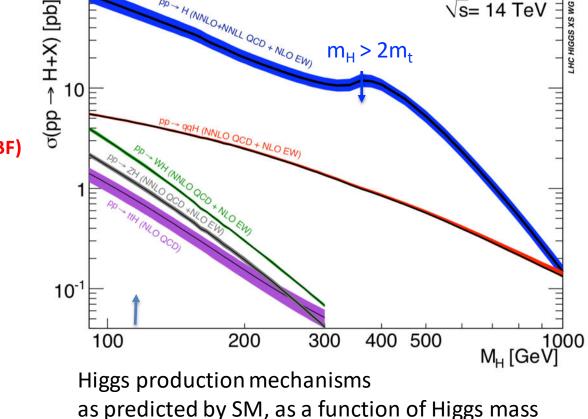
- one needs to produce a heavy particle first, to which Higgs boson couples willingly
- that heavy particle can actually be virtual (in loops) and not present in the final state



gluon fusion into Higgs (ggF). It is loop induced





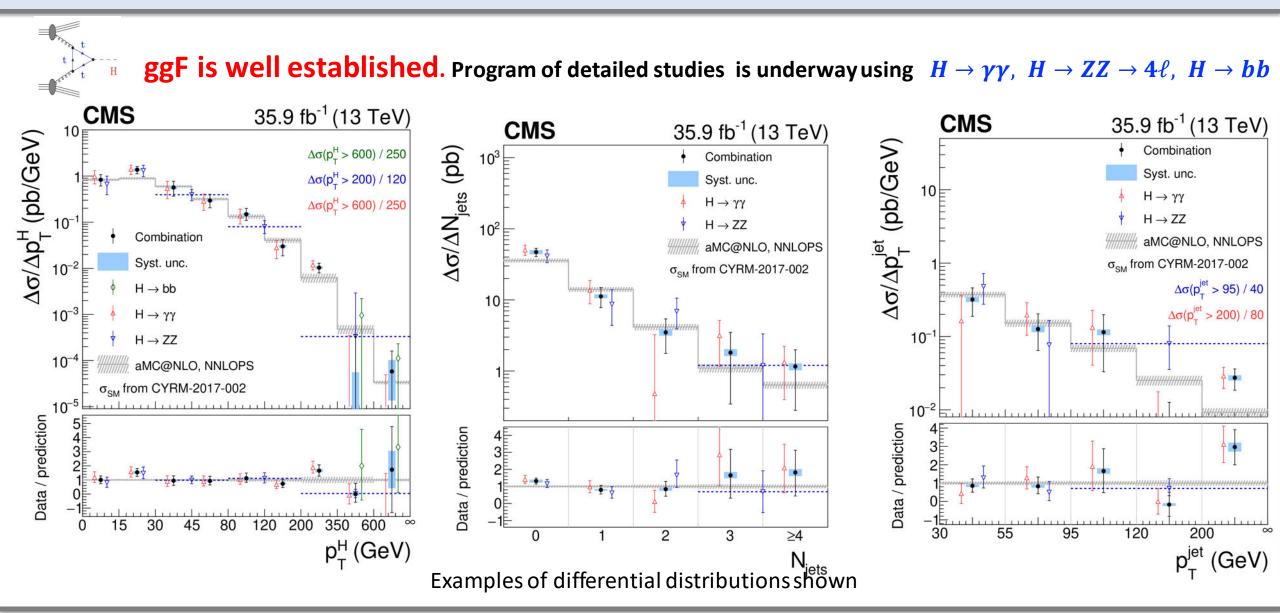


√s= 14 TeV

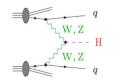
associate Higgs production with Z/W (VH)

Pontecorvo neutrino school 2019, Sinaia, Romania

### **Higgs: ggF production mode**



### **Higgs: VBF production mode**



Analyses in all decay modes include categories targeting VBF production:

• VBF is about 8% of total H production

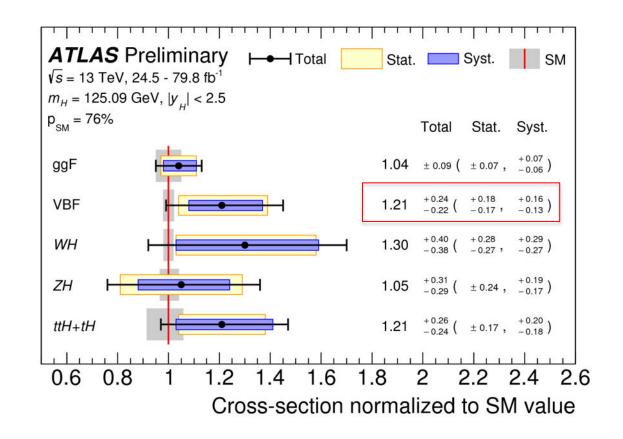
categories simultaneously.

- VBF-tag is fairly efficient for VBF Higgs production
- VBF-tag has a large suppression for background

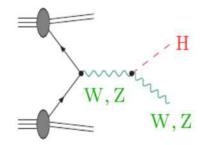
However, experimentally VBF-tagged events tend to have a substantial contamination of ggF To ascertain an observation of VBF production, one needs to analyze the VBF-tagged and untagged (ggF)

Bringing all decay modes together (assuming SM BRs) gives a large boost in sensitivity

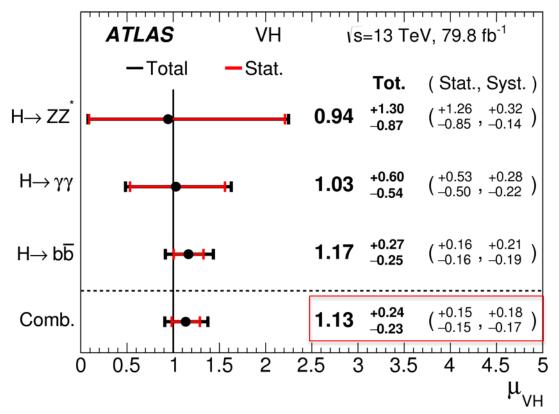
#### VBF observed experimentally with significance >5 $\sigma$



### **Higgs: V(W,Z) H production mode**



VH production rate, once practical decay modes for the associated W(lv) and Z(ll,vv) are considered, is only 1.5% of the total Higgs boson production cross section Unlike VBF, VH-tagged events have very high purity

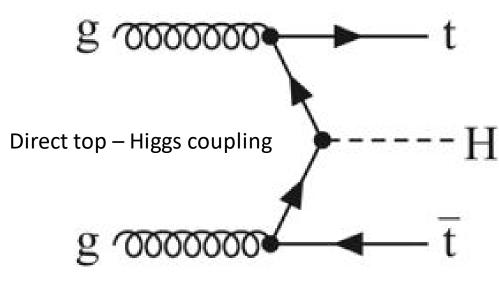


#### VH production observed expertmentally with significance $\sim 5\sigma$

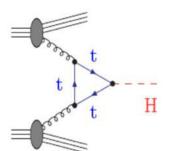
### ttH mode

#### Run 2, 2016: σ×L = 700K events

probing "direct" coupling of H with top (not in top loops as in ggF!)



Not in top loops (as in ggF), Where additional (e.g. BSM) backround in loops possible



#### Analysis features to note:

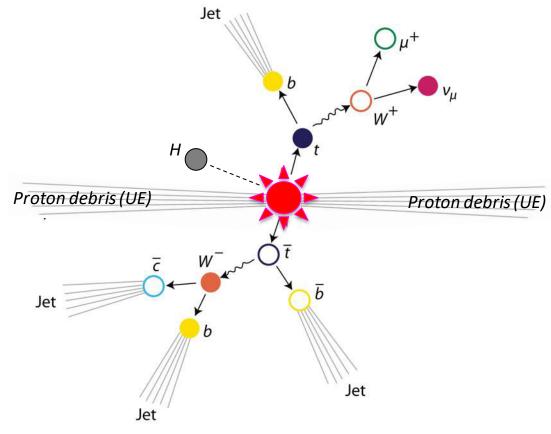
- The only way to prove <u>directly</u> Higgs couplings to the top quark
- Rare production rate: 1% of all
- Main background is tt+X: tt : ttH=2000
- One also must fight "huge" non-ttH Higgs background: non-ttH : ttH = 100
- Need a coordinated search in as many decay modes as possible; all five most-sensitive decays are exploited:  $\gamma\gamma$ , bb,  $\tau\tau$  /WW/ZZ  $\rightarrow$  leptons

### $pp \rightarrow ttH$ : analysis strategy

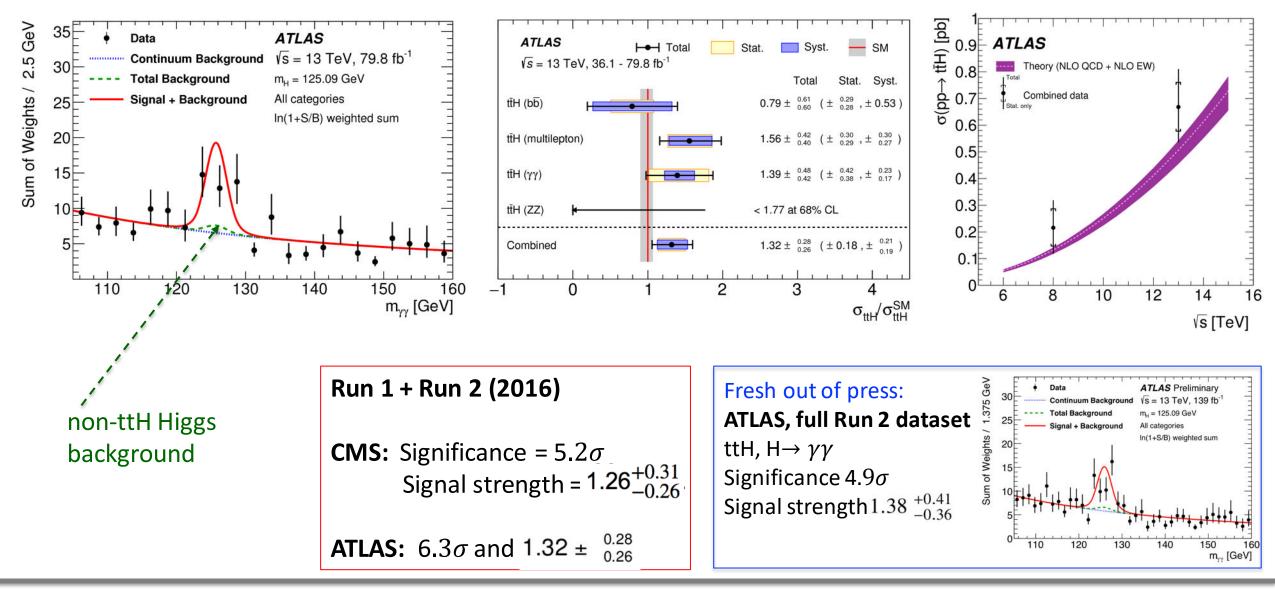
- Use all five most-sensitive decays
  - γγ
  - bb
  - $\tau \tau /WW/ZZ \rightarrow \ell, \tau_h$
- Consider distinct tt final states
  - 64%: 2 b-jets + 4 jets
  - 32%: b-jets + 1 jet + lepton + MET
  - 4%: 2 b-jets + 2 leptons + MET

#### • Event categories:

- $H \rightarrow bb$  (3):  $\geq 3 b$ -jets with  $0\ell$ ,  $1\ell$ ,  $\ell^+\ell^-$
- $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma (2): \gamma \gamma + 0\ell + 3jets (\geq 2b tag), \gamma \gamma + \ell + 2jets (\geq 1b tag),$
- $\tau \tau /WW/ZZ \rightarrow \ell, \tau_h$  (6): defined by the multiplicity of  $\ell$  and  $\tau_h$ Note: Leptons from Higgs ( $\tau \tau /WW/ZZ$ ) and from tt cannot be easily resolved
- Use kinematics of top quark decays, including top and W mass constraints



### **pp** → **ttH**: **observed** with significance > 5!



#### Experimental studies of the double Higgs (125) production, probing e.g. Higgs self coupling

### Search for double Higgs production, $pp \rightarrow HH$ includes Higgs self coupling, predicted by the SM

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#### **Two main HH production modes:**

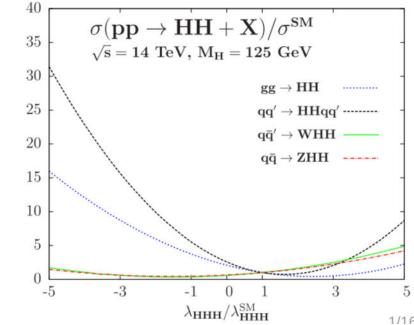
- associated with the Higgs-top Yukawa coupling
- associated with Higgs self-coupling  $(\lambda)$

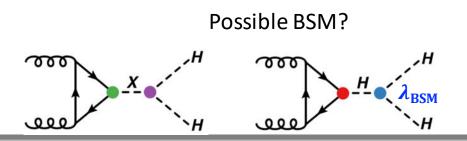
Each, by itself, would give a fairly small cross section Worse, they interfere negatively, and almost completely kill each other

•  $\sigma_{HH} \sim 0.001 \times \sigma_H$ 

#### Why do we need to measure it?

- If H(125) is the SM Higgs boson, we need to measure its mass and nothing else
- However, all "standard models" are temporary... As is, the Higgs field is already weird and fascinating – all aspects of this new phenomenon must be subject to detailed scrutiny...
- There is not a lack of BSMs that may readily reveal themselves in the di-Higgs production, in particular:
  - New heavy particles decaying to two Higgs bosons [look for a resonance!]
  - Modifications of the self-coupling  $\lambda$  [non-resonant]





#### Double Higgs production $pp \rightarrow HH$ : analysis strategy

• Pursue searches for both non-resonant and resonant HH productions

#### • Final states explored:

- (*bb*)(*bb*) go after the largest BR(bb), but suffer larger background: **33% of all HH decays**
- $(bb)(\tau\tau)$  di-tau signature is much cleaner (less QCD background), but smaller BR $(\tau\tau)$ : 7% of all HH decays
- $(bb)(\gamma\gamma)$  VERY clean di-photon signature (narrow peak, low QCD bkg), but also very small BR( $\gamma\gamma$ ): 0.3% all HH decays
- more final states are being added recently... E.g.,  $(W_{qq}W_{lv})(\gamma\gamma) 10$  times smaller rate than  $(bb)(\gamma\gamma)$ , but cleaner

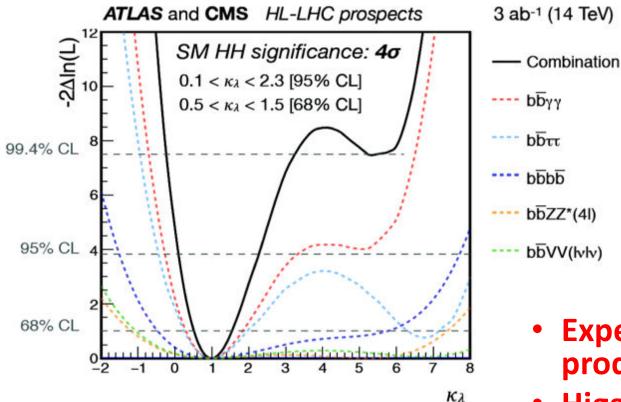
#### Recall mass resolutions:

- $m(bb): \sim 10\%$
- $m(\tau \tau): \sim 15\%$
- $m(\gamma\gamma)$ :~1-2%

#### • Combine all final state searches to get the maximum sensitivity

#### double Higgs production $pp \rightarrow HH$ : future prospects

#### HL-LHC projections (arXiv:1902.00134)



- Expected significance for observing HH production at HL-LHC:  $4\sigma$  (ATLAS + CMS)
- Higgs self coupling is going to be measured with 50% accuracy

# Combination of the Higgs (125) boson experimental analyses

### **Combination of all Higgs boson analyses**

	gg->H	VBF	VH	ttH
WW	~	~	~	<
ZZ	~	~	~	<
bb	<b>v</b>	<b>v</b>	~	~
ττ	~	~	~	~
γγ	~	~	~	~
μμ	~	~		
invisible		~	<b>v</b>	

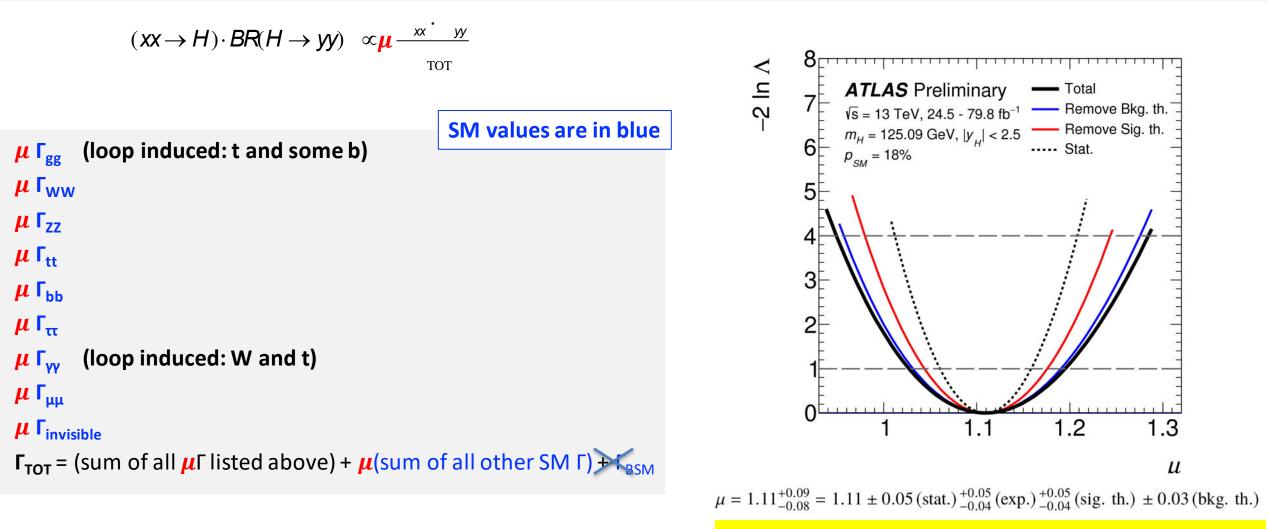
$$(xx \rightarrow H) \cdot BR(H \rightarrow yy) \propto \frac{x \cdot y}{TOT}$$

One needs **11 independent parameters** to describe all currently relevant production & decay mechanisms:

(loop induced: t and some b) Γ<sub>gg</sub> Γ<sub>ww</sub> Γ<sub>zz</sub> Γ<sub>tt</sub> Γ<sub>bb</sub> Γ<sub>π</sub> (loop induced: W and t) Γ<sub>µµ</sub> **F**invisible  $\Gamma_{TOT}$  = (sum of all  $\Gamma$  listed above) + (sum of all other SM  $\Gamma$ ) +  $\Gamma_{BSM}$ 

decay modes not studied or, perhaps, studied, but not included in combination

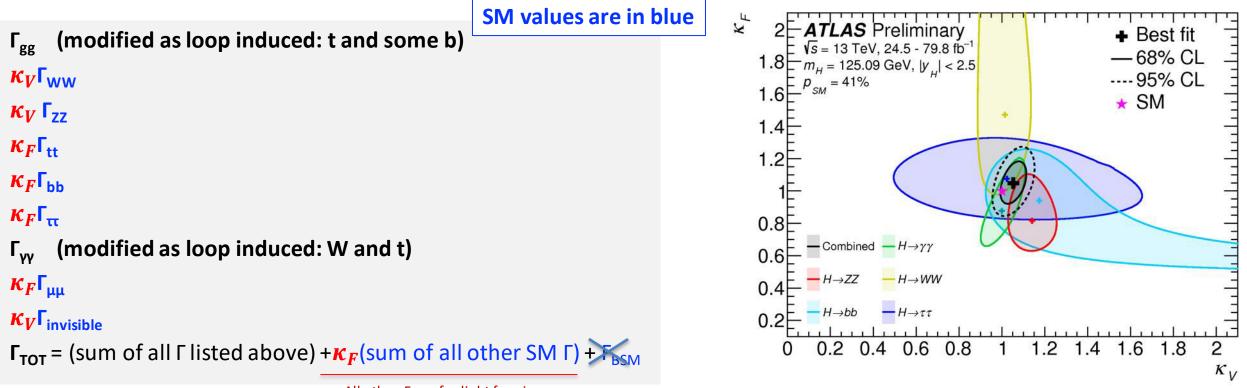
### One parameter fit: **µ**



Note the relative scale of stat and systematic uncertainties, including theory uncertainties

### Two-parameter fit: $(\kappa_V, \kappa_F)$

Consider one modifying factor for vector bosons ( $\kappa_V$ ) and another common modifying factor for all fermions ( $\kappa_F$ ). Couplings to gluons and photons are loop induced via t/b and W, and are not independent



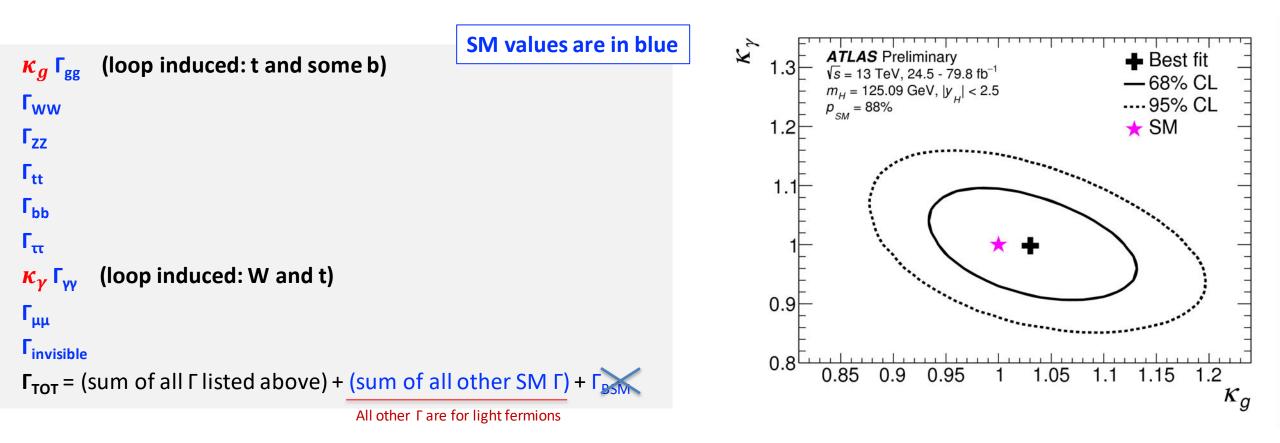
All other  $\Gamma$  are for light fermions

### **Two-parameter fit** (different parameters): $(\kappa_{g}, \kappa_{\gamma})$

Consider one modifying factor for loop induced couplings, for gluons ( $\kappa_g$ ) and photons fermions ( $\kappa_\gamma$ ).

All other couplings are set to the SM values.

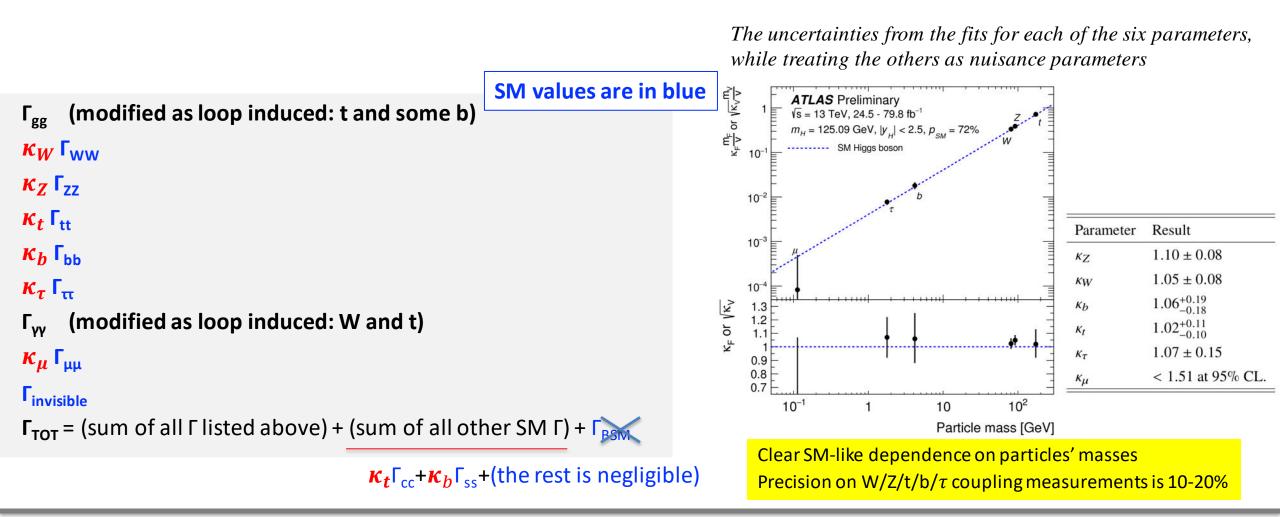
I.e., search for new physics contributing to the loop induced couplings



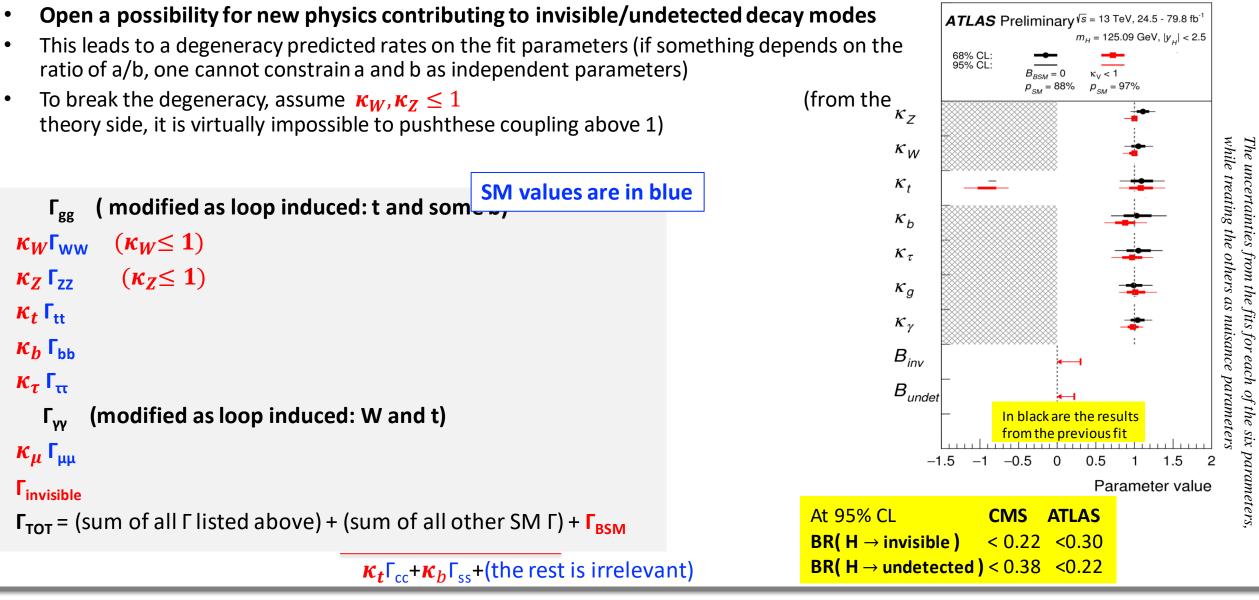
### Six-parameter fit: $\kappa_W, \kappa_Z, \kappa_t, \kappa_b, \kappa_\tau, \kappa_\mu$

Fit for couplings to W, Z, and fermions relevant in the current measurements/searches

Assume no new physics contributing to the loop-induced processes or to invisible/undetected decay modes



#### **Eight-parameter fit:** $(\kappa_W, \kappa_Z, \kappa_t, \kappa_b, \kappa_\tau, \kappa_\mu), BR(H \rightarrow inv), BR(H \rightarrow undected)$ (1)



#### **Eight-parameter fit:** $(\kappa_W, \kappa_Z, \kappa_t, \kappa_b, \kappa_\tau, \kappa_\mu), BR(H \rightarrow inv), BR(H \rightarrow undected)(2)$

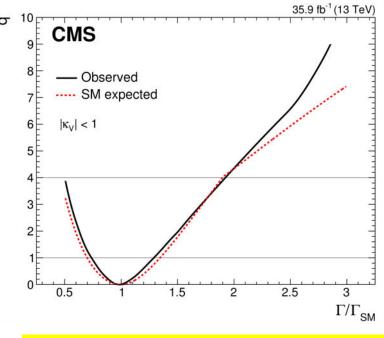
SM values are in blue

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- Open a possibility for new physics contributing to invisible/undetected decay modes ٠
- This leads to a degeneracy predicted rates on the fit parameters (if something depends on the • ratio of a/b, one cannot constrain a and b as independent parameters)
- To break the degeneracy, assume  $\kappa_W, \kappa_Z \leq 1$ ٠ theory side, it is virtually impossible to push these coupling above 1)

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(loop induced: t and some b)
      Γ<sub>gg</sub>
\kappa_W \Gamma_{WW} (\kappa_W \leq 1)
\kappa_{Z} \Gamma_{ZZ} (\kappa_{Z} \leq 1)
\kappa_t \Gamma_{tt}
\kappa_h \Gamma_{bb}
\kappa_{\tau} \Gamma_{\pi}
             (loop induced: W and t)
     Γ<sub>w</sub>
\kappa_{\mu} \Gamma_{\mu\mu}
Finvisible
\Gamma_{TOT} = (sum of all \Gamma listed above) + (sum of all other SM \Gamma) + \Gamma_{BSM}
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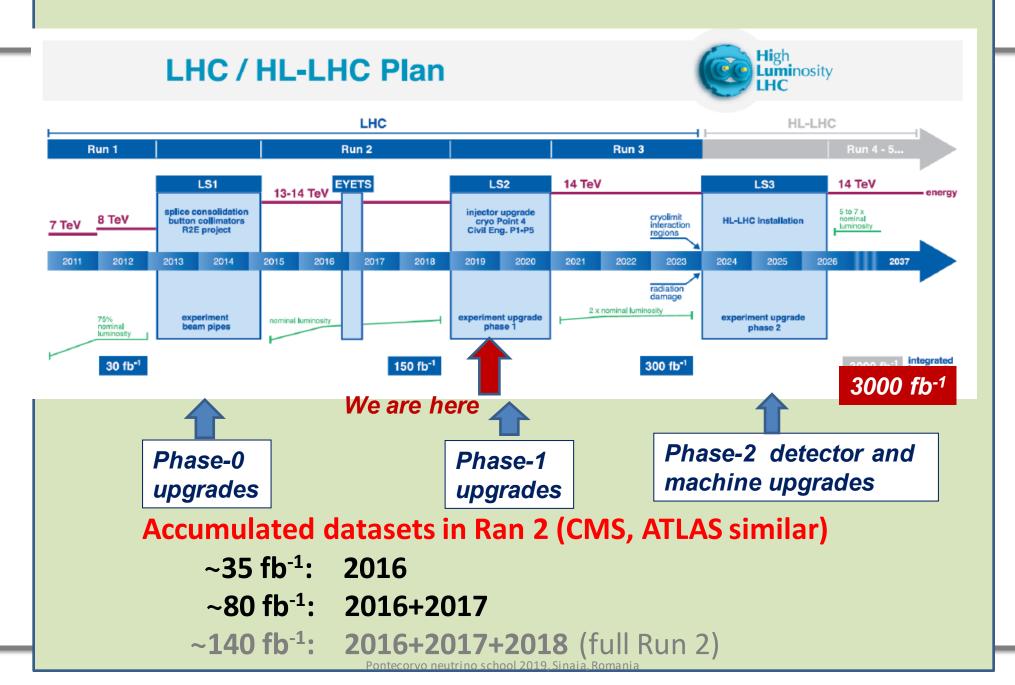
 $\kappa_t \Gamma_{cc} + \kappa_h \Gamma_{ss} + (\text{the rest is irrelevant})$ 



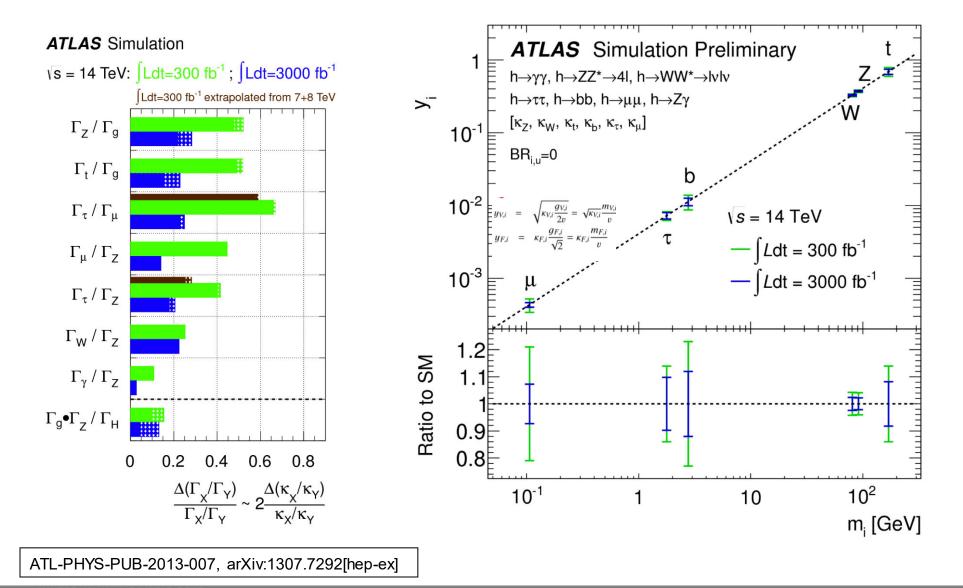
The fit results can be recast as a limit on the total Higgs boson width:  $\Gamma_{\rm tot}/\Gamma_{\rm SM} = 0.98^{+0.31}_{-0.25}$ 

Cf. results form off-shell/on-shell H->ZZ analysis (with twice larger dataset):  $\Gamma_{tot}/\Gamma_{SM} = 0.80^{+0.70}_{-0.55}$ 

### **Upcoming LHC upgrade**. HL-LHC (3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>integrated luminosity) projections for Higgs

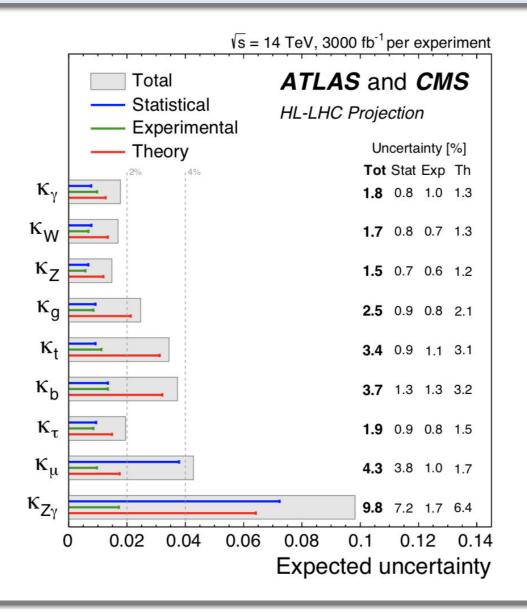


#### HL-LHC Outlook (compared to final LHC statistics ) for Higgs (ATLAS, CMS similar)



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#### **HL-LHC projections (without comparing to LHC): couplings**



With cautious optimism, summary for  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ :  $\delta \kappa \sim 2-4\%$ BR(H $\rightarrow$ BSM) < 0.07 at 95% CL

#### **Extrapolation** scenarios:

Theoretical uncertainties: halved Experimental stat. uncertainties scaled as 1/sqrt(L) Limited MC statistics – ignored Instrumental uncertainties: same as now or specifically revised Luminosity uncertainty: 1% (halved)

- Many experimental searches for additional to Higgs (125) neutral and charged Higgs bosons have been also conducted at LHC, they are not covered in this talk
- See e.g. some BSM motivations for searches of additional Higgs bosons in the next slide

#### Slide on searches for additional Higgs bosons: many searches in ATLAS and CMS, why? (some reasons)

Model	What is it good for?	Higgs bosons
SM: one doublet of complex scalar fields (HD)	3 d.o.f. give mass to W <sup>±</sup> and Z bosons Yukawa couplings generate fermion masses <b>h</b>	
HD + real singlet	attractive in the context of DM, EWK baryogenesis,	h, H
HD + 2 <sup>nd</sup> doublet (2HDM: 2 Higgs Doublets Model)	Prerequisite for SUSY Natural in Grand Unifying Theories Additional to SM source of CP violation: needed for observed matter-antimatter asymmetry. Helps DM originating directly from 2HDM	h, H, A, H <sup>±</sup>
2HDM + complex singlet	Used in so-called nMSSM, next-to-minimal Super Symmetry resolves the μ-problem MSSM h(125) is unnaturally heavy in MSSM – not in nMSSM	h <sub>1</sub> , h <sub>2</sub> , h <sub>3</sub> , a <sub>1</sub> , a <sub>2</sub> , H <sup>±</sup>
HD + triplet	can provide Majorana neutrino masses	h, H, A, H <sup>±</sup> , H <sup>±±</sup>

### **Conclusions**



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- Higgs particle is unusual, studying it may be a good way to look for deviations from the SM predictions
- Many Higgs particle properties have been measured with high accuracy, more to come at LHC, HL-LHC and other future accelerators
- No deviations from SM so far have been observed, but the search is on

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