

HIGGS SELF COUPLINGS

*Lidija Živković on behalf of the ATLAS collaboration
Institute of Physics Belgrade*



Higgs Hunting
Results and prospects in the electroweak symmetry breaking sector
2023 September 11-13
Orsay-Paris, France

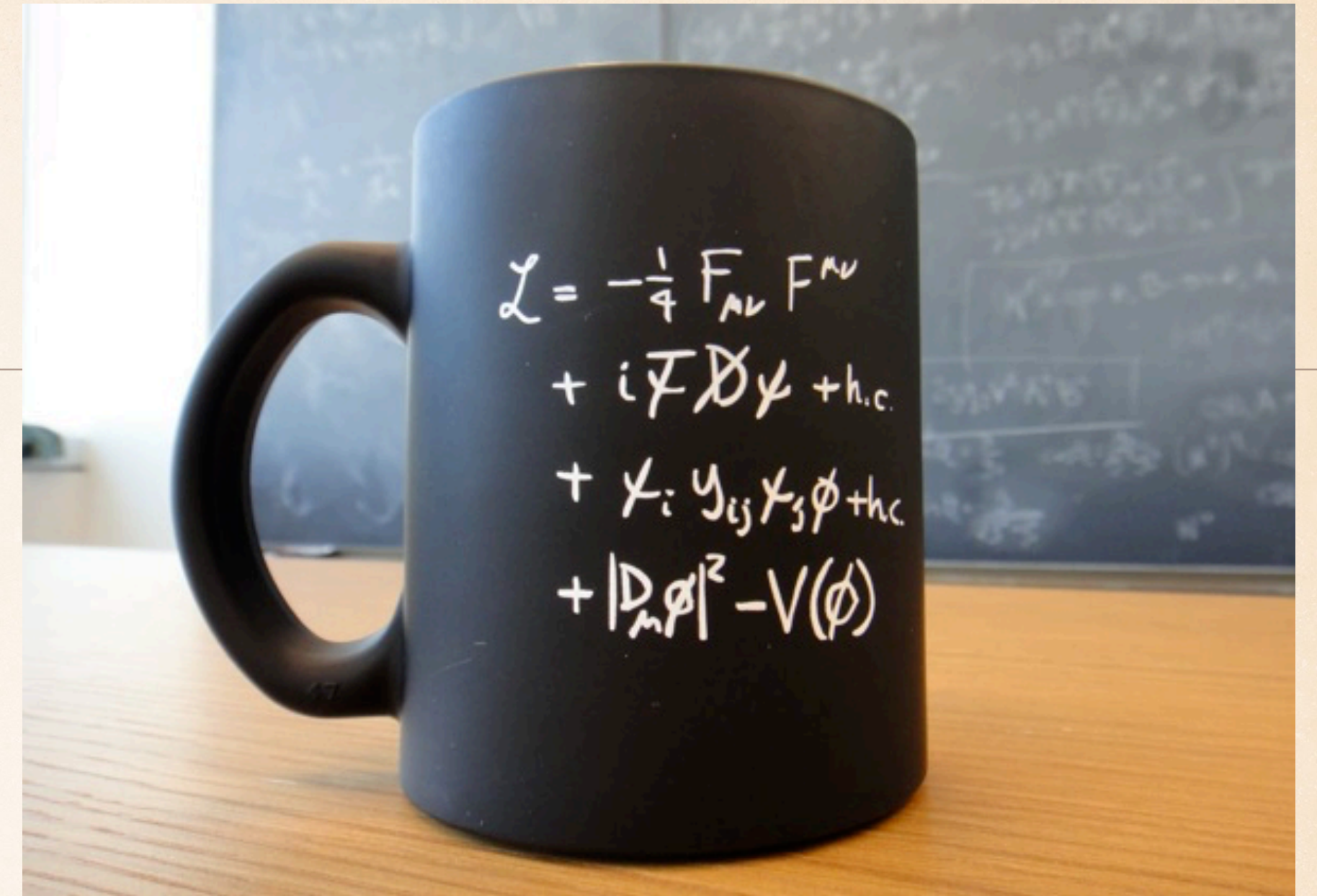
www.higgshunting.fr

13TH HIGGS HUNTING

From Edouard Manet
Un bar aux Folies-Bergère
(1881-1882)



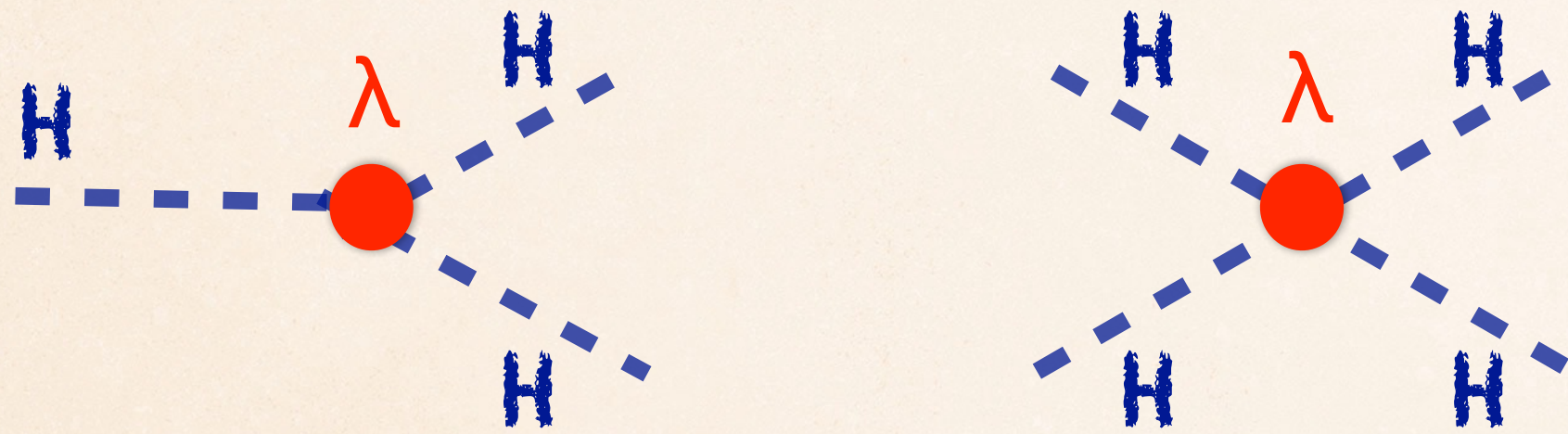
MOTIVATION



◆ Higgs potential

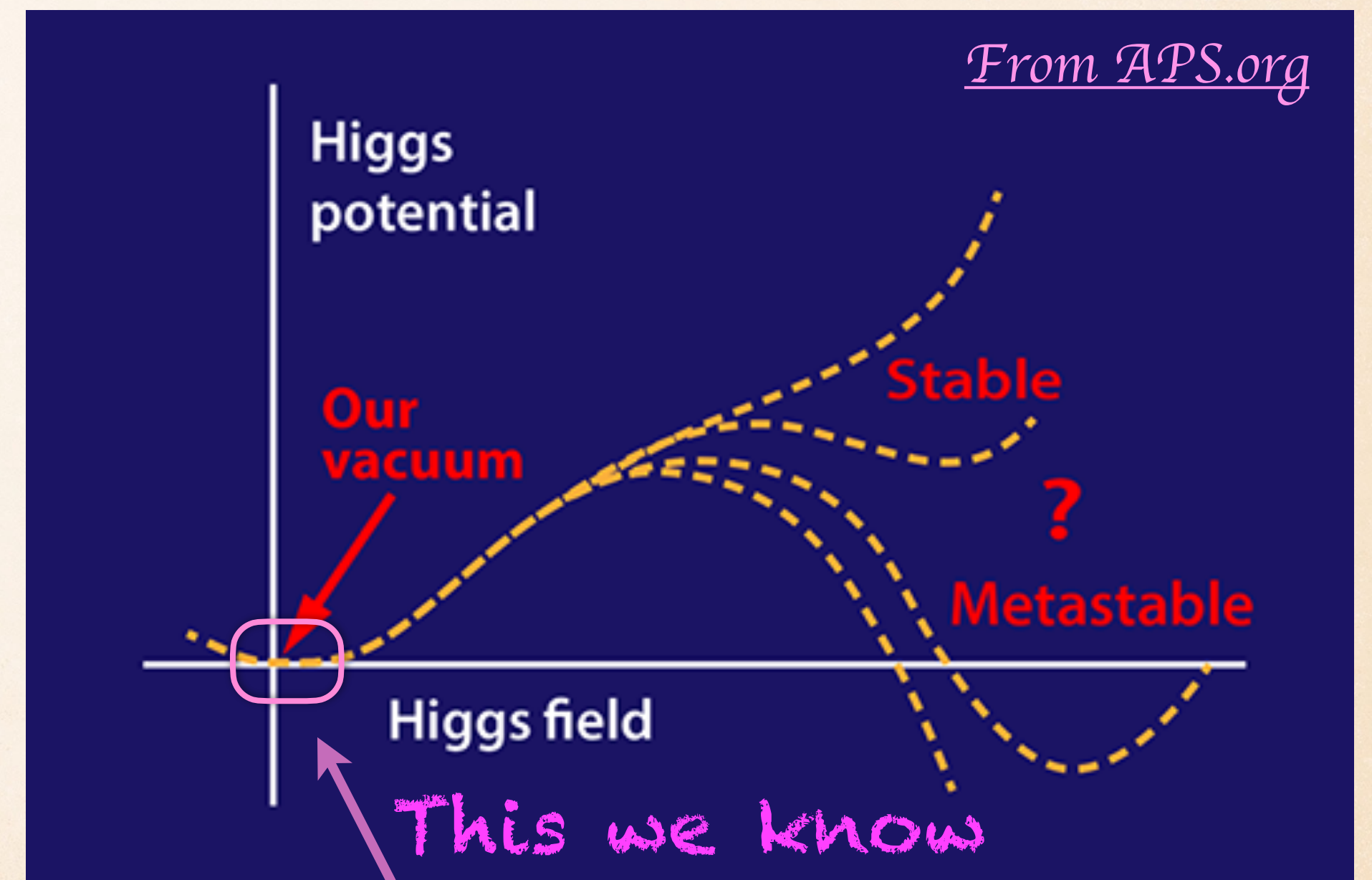
$$V(\phi^\dagger \phi) = \mu(\phi^\dagger \phi) + \lambda(\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 \rightarrow$$

$$V(H) = \lambda v^2 H^2 + \lambda v H^3 + (1/4)\lambda H^4; M_H^2 = 2\lambda v^2$$



◆ Investigating the HH production allows for direct measurement of the Higgs self-coupling

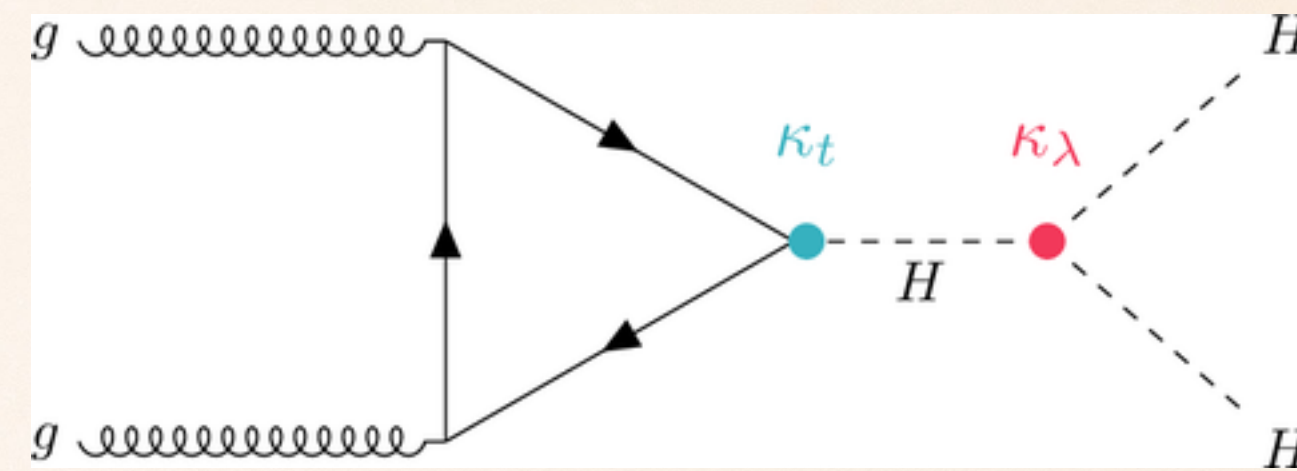
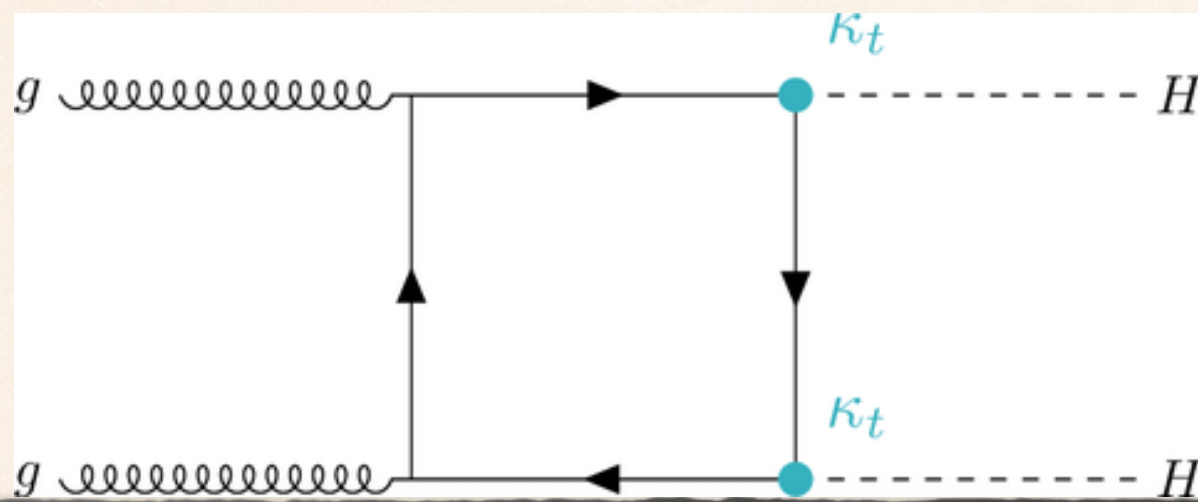
◆ Probe the shape of the Higgs potential



PRODUCTION

$$\kappa_X = \frac{c_{HX}^{exp}}{c_{HX}^{SM}}$$

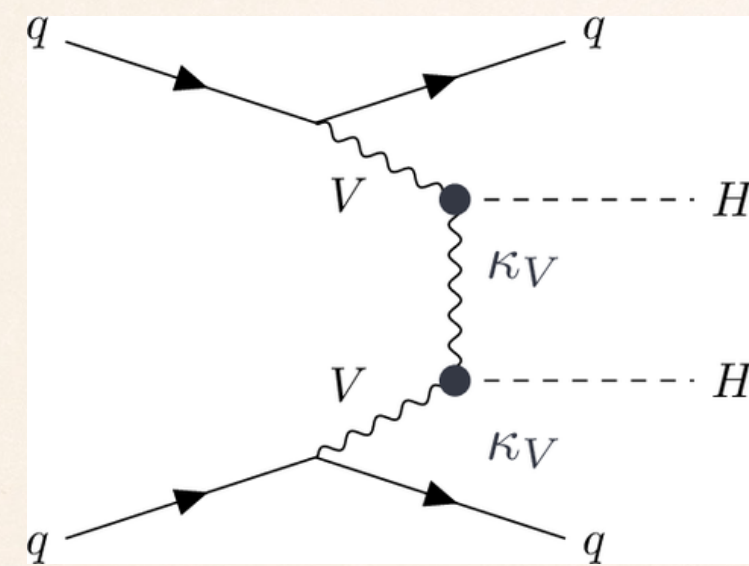
Gluon Fusion: Destructive interference - small SM $\sigma_{HH}^{ggF} \sim 31 \text{ fb} @ 13\text{TeV}$



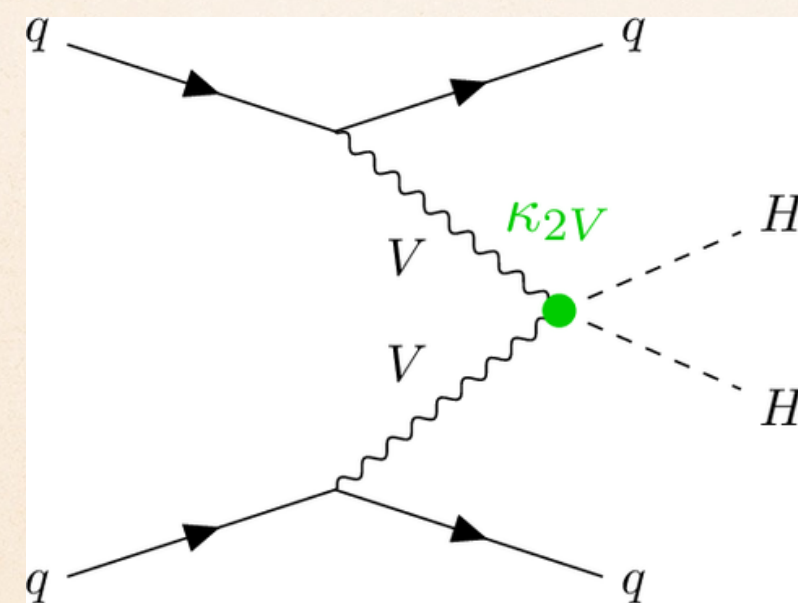
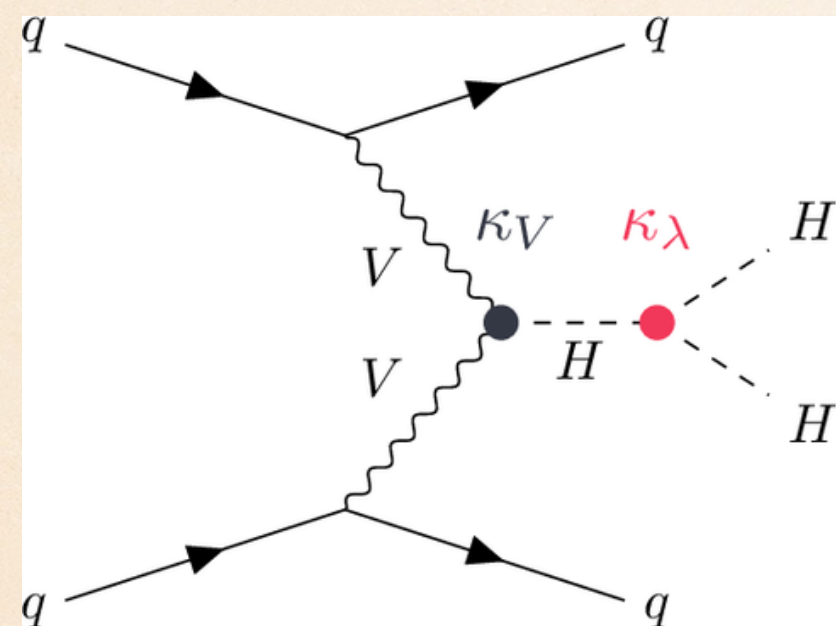
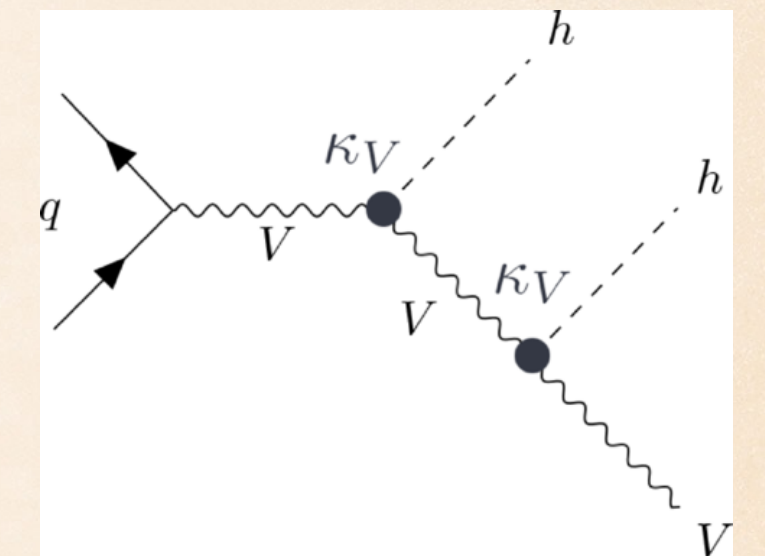
$$\kappa_\lambda = \frac{\lambda_{HHH}}{\lambda_{HHH}^{SM}}$$

VBF:

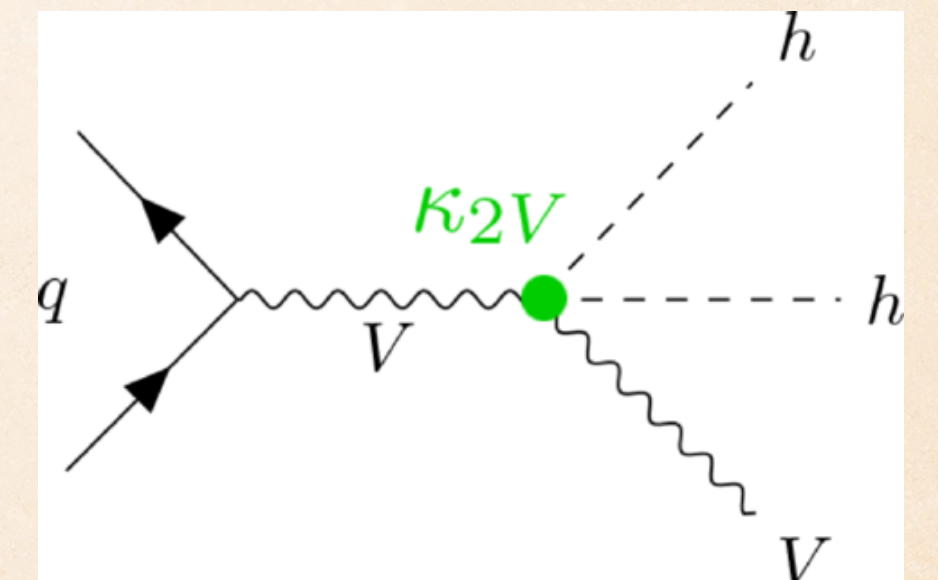
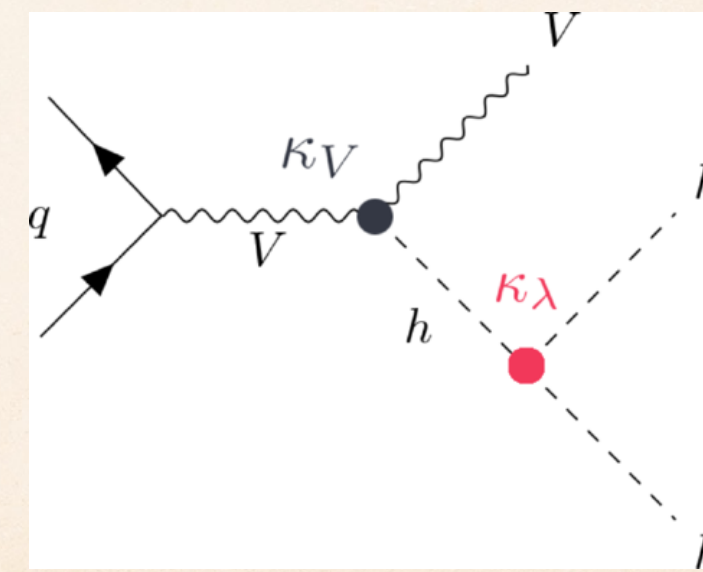
$$\sigma_{HH}^{VBF} \sim 1.72 \text{ fb} @ 13\text{TeV}$$



Associated production:
 $\sigma_{VHH}^{ggF} \sim 0.86 \text{ fb} @ 13\text{TeV}$



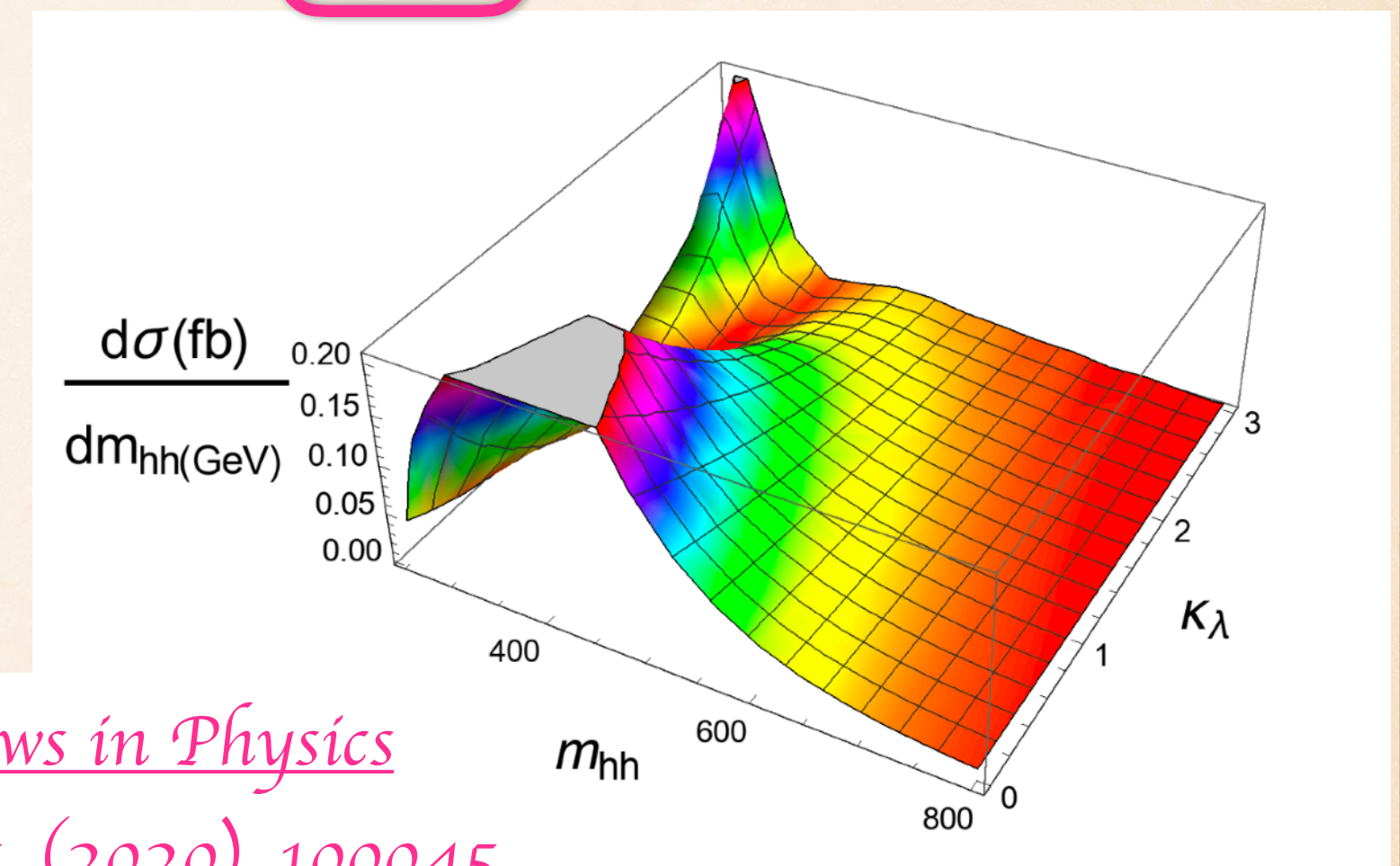
$$\kappa_{2V} = \frac{\lambda_{HHVV}}{\lambda_{HHVV}^{SM}}$$



HH DECAY MODE AND SEARCHES

- Due to large $\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow bb)$ at least one bb decay is required in most cases
- Excellent b-jet identification might be crucial for observation
- Cross sections, branching ratios and kinematics depend on K_λ
- Optimisation of analyses strategies are important

	bb	WW	$\tau\tau$	ZZ	$\gamma\gamma$
bb	34%				
WW	25%	4.6%			
$\tau\tau$	7.3%	2.7%	0.39%		
ZZ	3.1%	1.1%	0.33%	0.069%	
$\gamma\gamma$	0.26%	0.10%	0.028%	0.012%	0.0005%

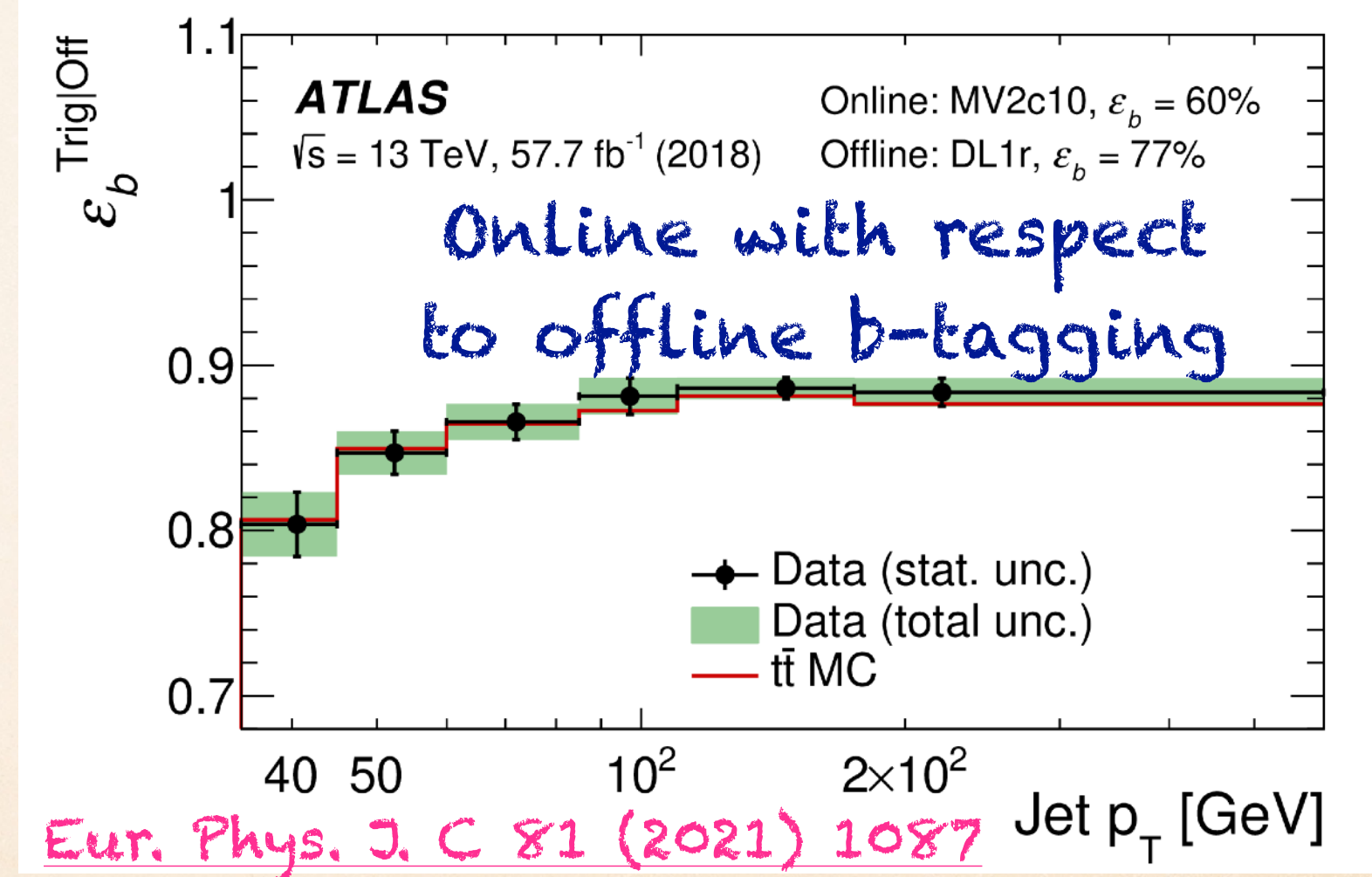
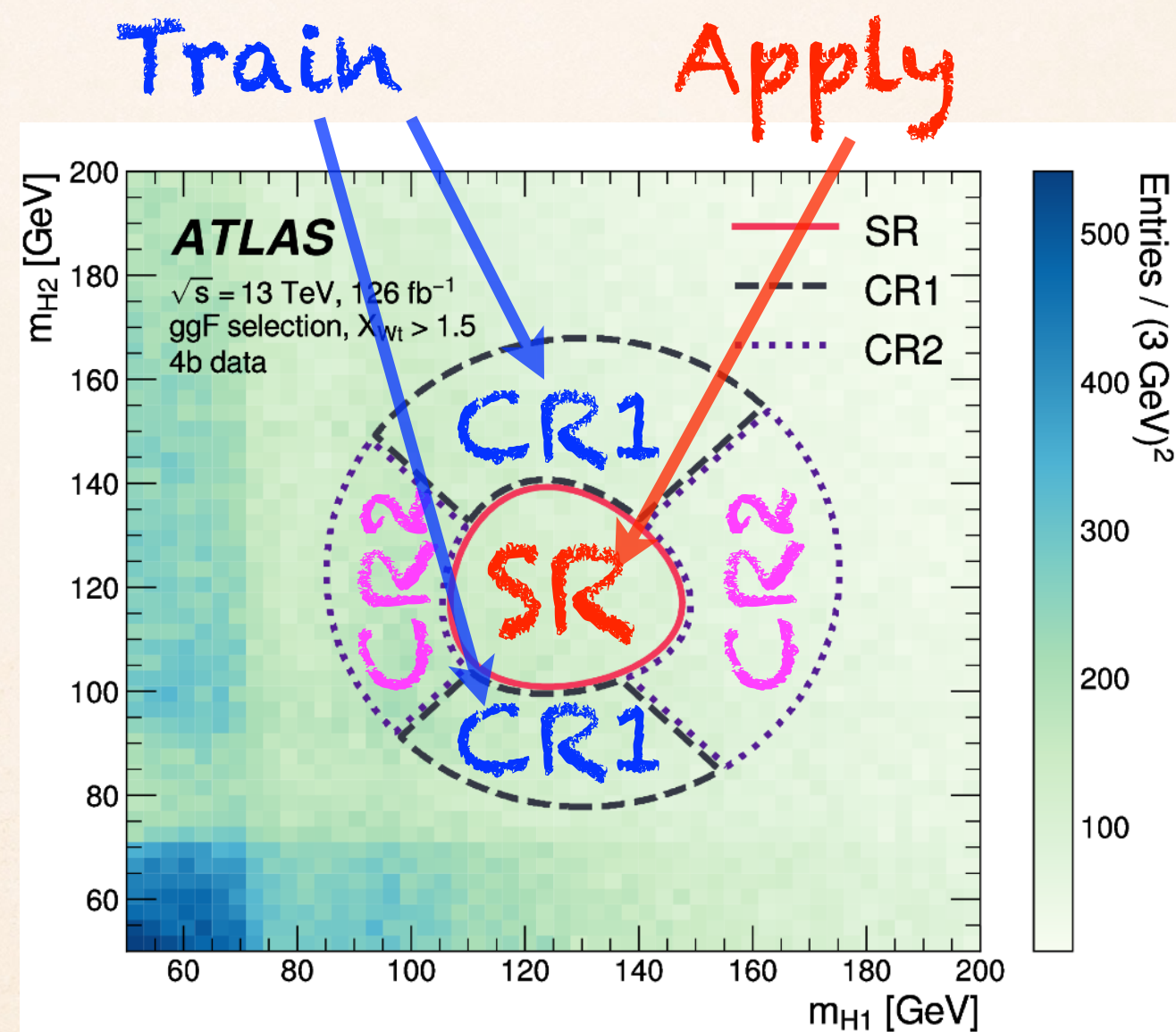
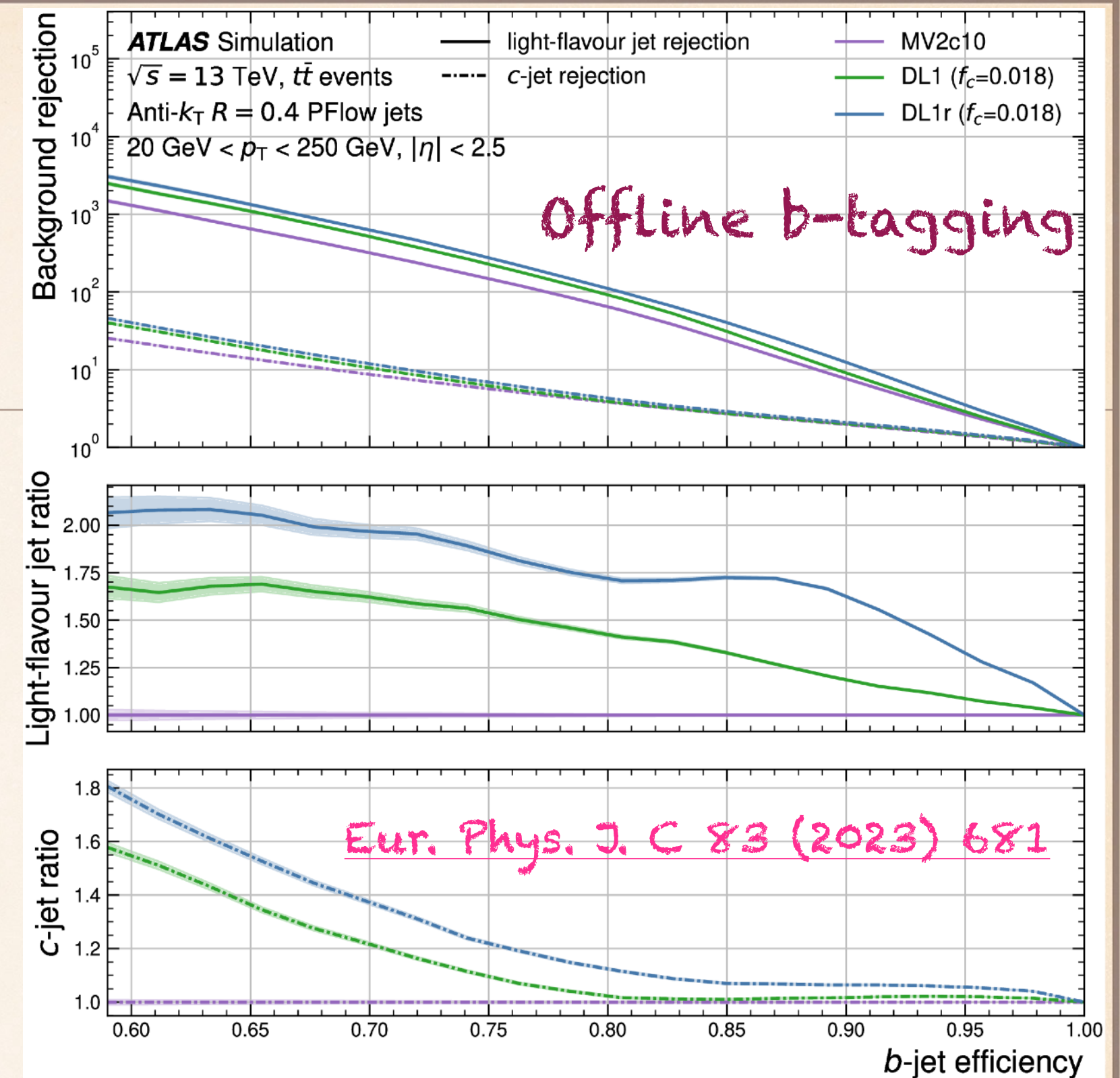


Reviews in Physics
 Volume 5, (2020), 100045

$HH \rightarrow bbbb$

Phys. Rev. D 108 (2023) 052003

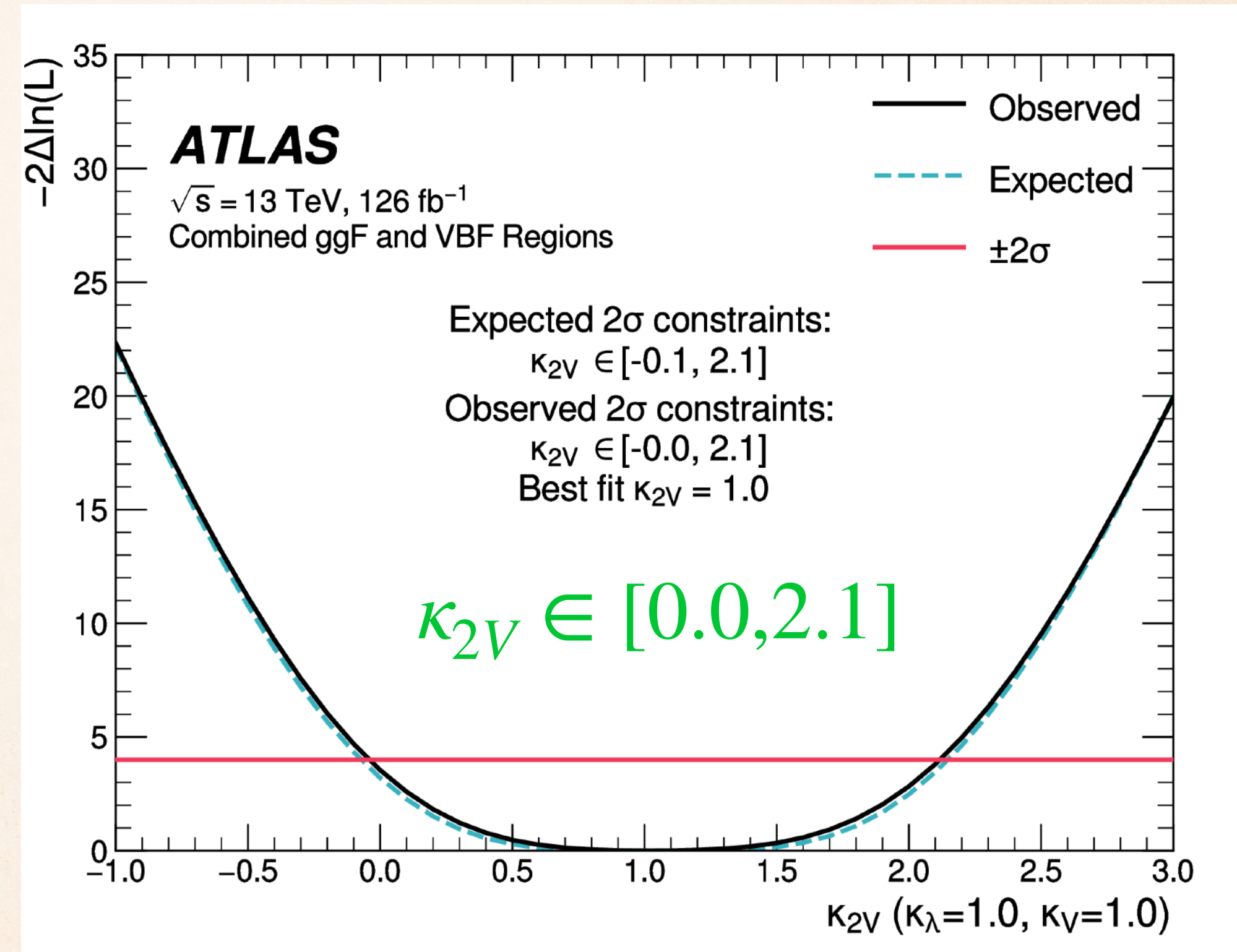
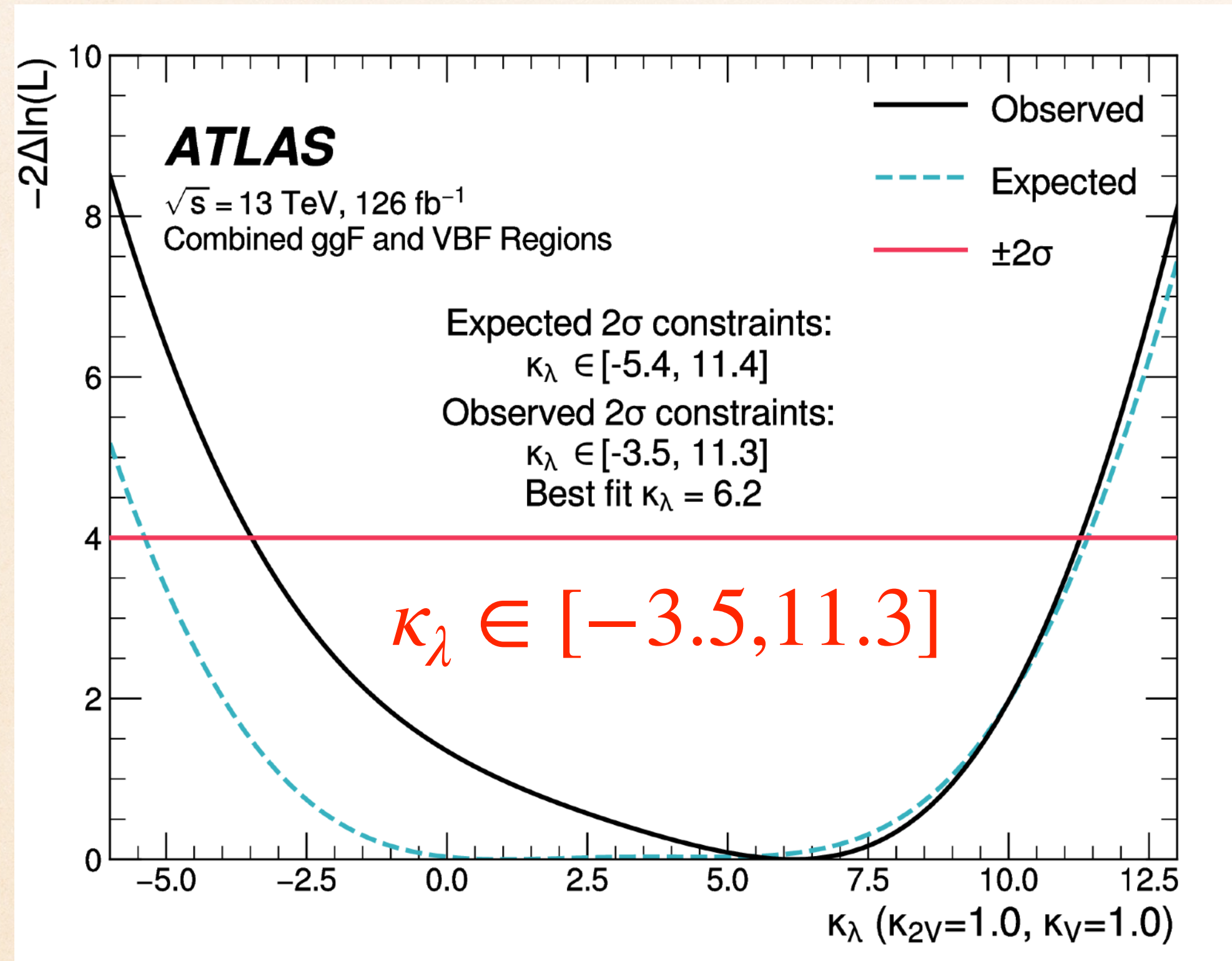
- ◆ Highest BR, but also large background
 - ◆ 4 central jets fulfilling **b-jet tagging** (DL1r)
 - ◆ **b-jets used in trigger** as well (MV2c10)
 - ◆ To separate VBF production – 2 forward jets
- ◆ **Background estimation** – 90% of the background events come from multijet processes
 - ◆ **Fully data-driven technique** based on sample with exactly 2 b-jets
 - ◆ Reweight 2 b-jet data to 4 b-jet in **CR1** using an NN
 - ◆ **CR2** used for systematics on the method



$HH \rightarrow bbbb$

Phys. Rev. D 108 (2023) 052003

◆ Likelihood scans on the κ_λ and κ_{2V} parameters



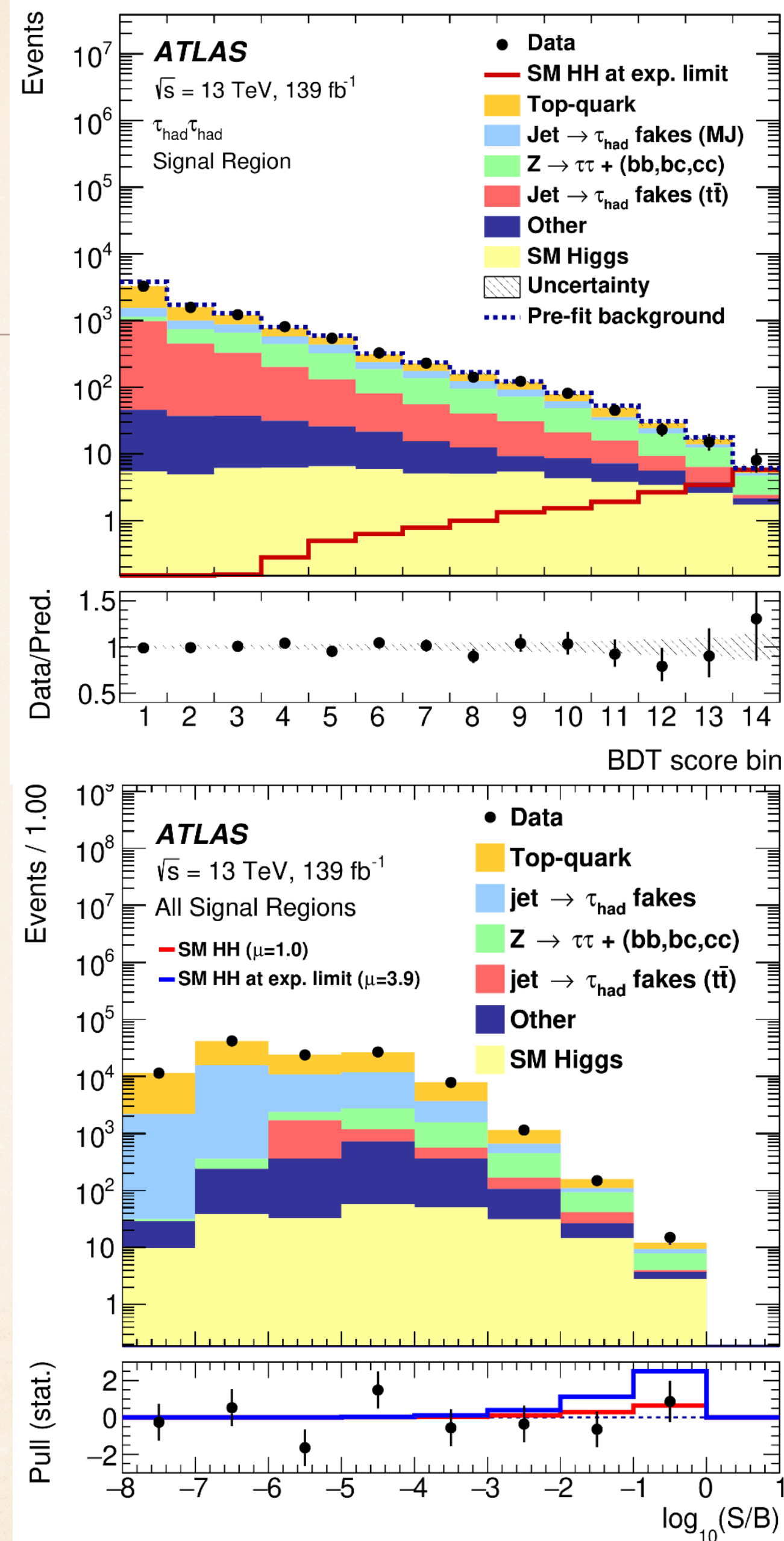
$HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$

JHEP 07 (2023) 040

- ❖ Select 2 b-jets and
 - ❖ Either 2 hadronic τ -jets with opposite charge
 - ❖ Single- and Di τ -Triggers (Combined) - one signal category
 - ❖ Or 1 hadronic τ -jet and 1 lepton with opposite charge
 - ❖ Single lepton trigger and $l+\tau$ -Trigger - two signal categories
- ❖ Dominant backgrounds
 - ❖ Real τ -jets from $t\bar{t}$ and $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ + heavy flavor jets
 - ❖ Fake τ -jets from multijet and $t\bar{t}$ production
- ❖ Signal extraction by combining 3 MVA outputs in bins of $\log_{10}(S/B)$
- ❖ The **observed** (expected) upper limit on the non-resonant diHiggs production @95% CL, is **4.7** (3.9) times the SM
- ❖ Observed (Expected): $\kappa_\lambda \in [-2.4, 9.2]$ ($[-2., 9.]$)

BDT

NN

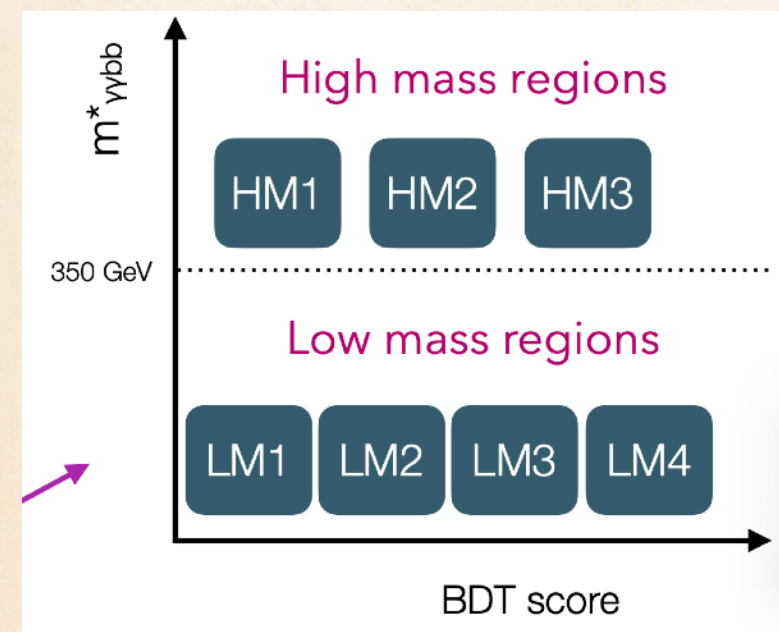


$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$



ATLAS-CONF-2023-050

Reoptimised analysis to probe anomalous values of the κ_λ and of the κ_{2V}



7 categories

(from 4 previously)

+ improved BDT

$m_{\gamma\gamma}$ discriminant in each category

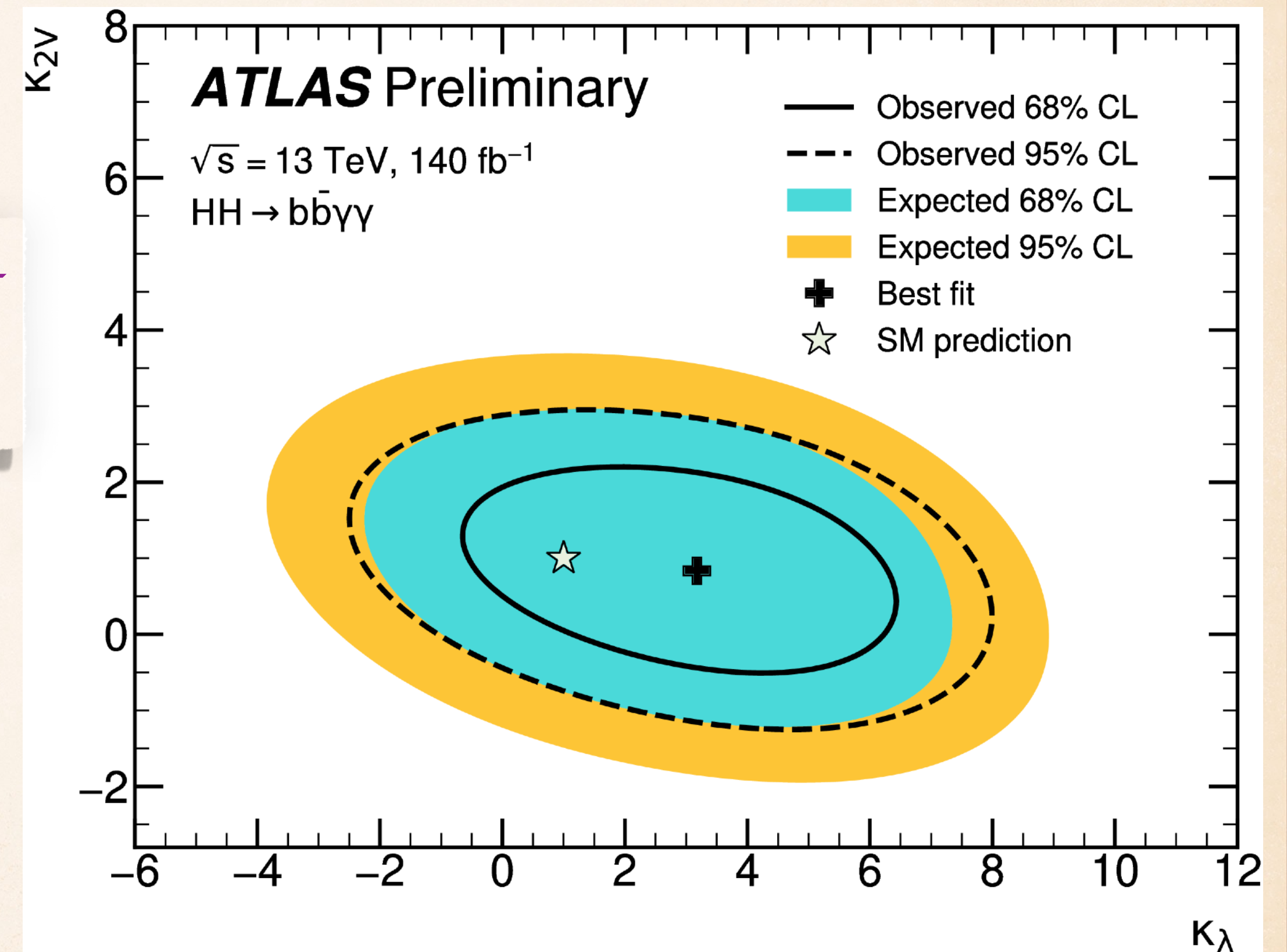
Observed (expected) upper limit on

μ_{HH} : 4.0(5.0)

$\kappa_\lambda \in [-1.4, 6.9]([-2.8, 7.8])$ and

$\kappa_{2V} \in [-0.5, 2.7]([-1.1, 3.3])$

More details this afternoon by Tom Ingebretsen
Carlson

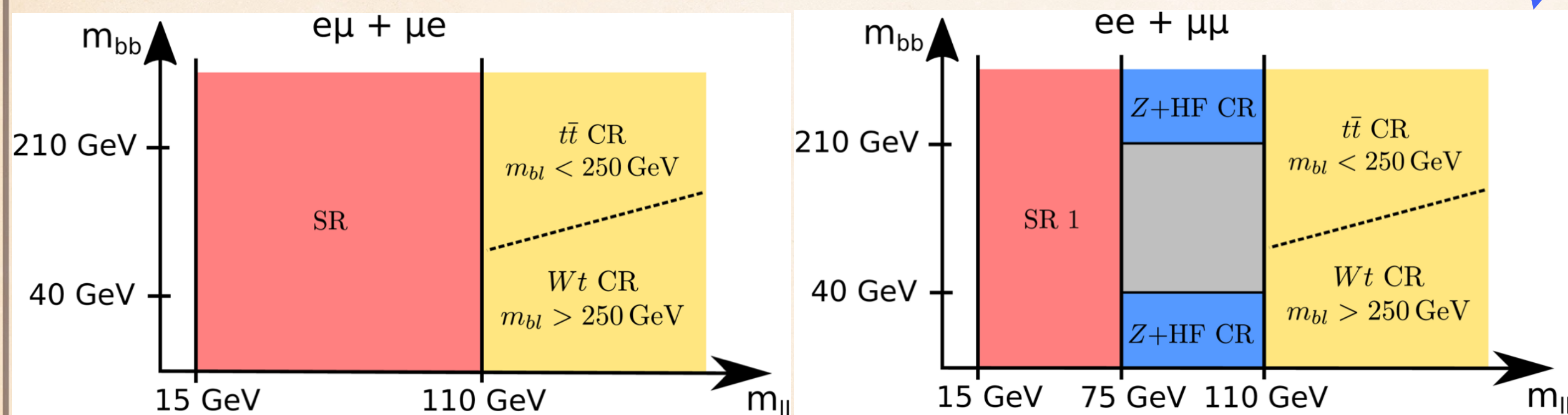
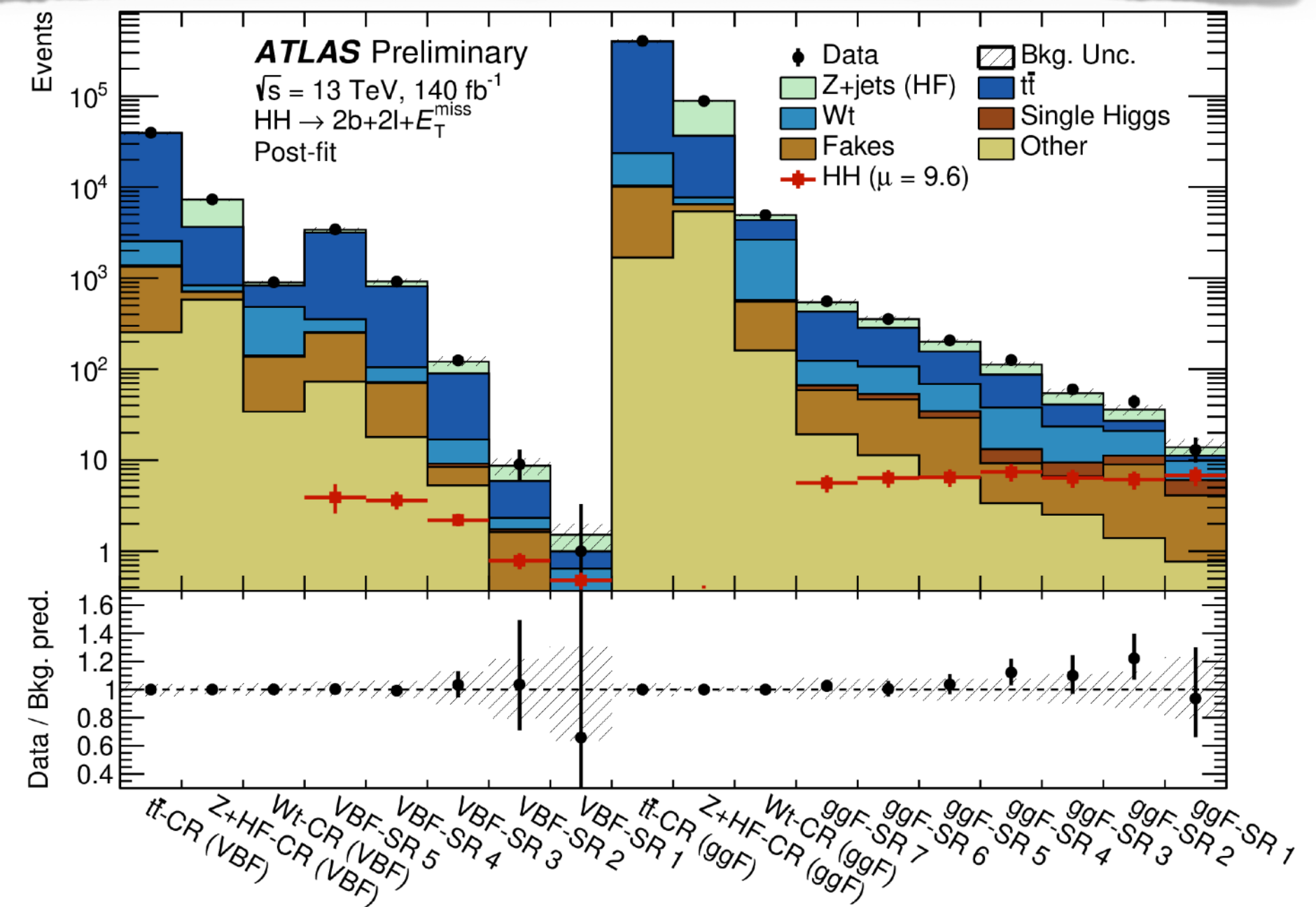




$$HH \rightarrow bb + W^+W^- / ZZ / \tau^+\tau^- \rightarrow bb + l^+l^- + \text{neutrinos}$$

- Select: 2 b-jets, two opposite charge leptons, E_T^{miss}
- Dominant background from **top quark processes** and **Z + heavy flavour** - estimated from simulation (shape) with normalization being constrained from data
- Signal and control regions defined by topology
- MVA used to separate signal and background events and set limits

Yields in CR and highest score bins of MVA

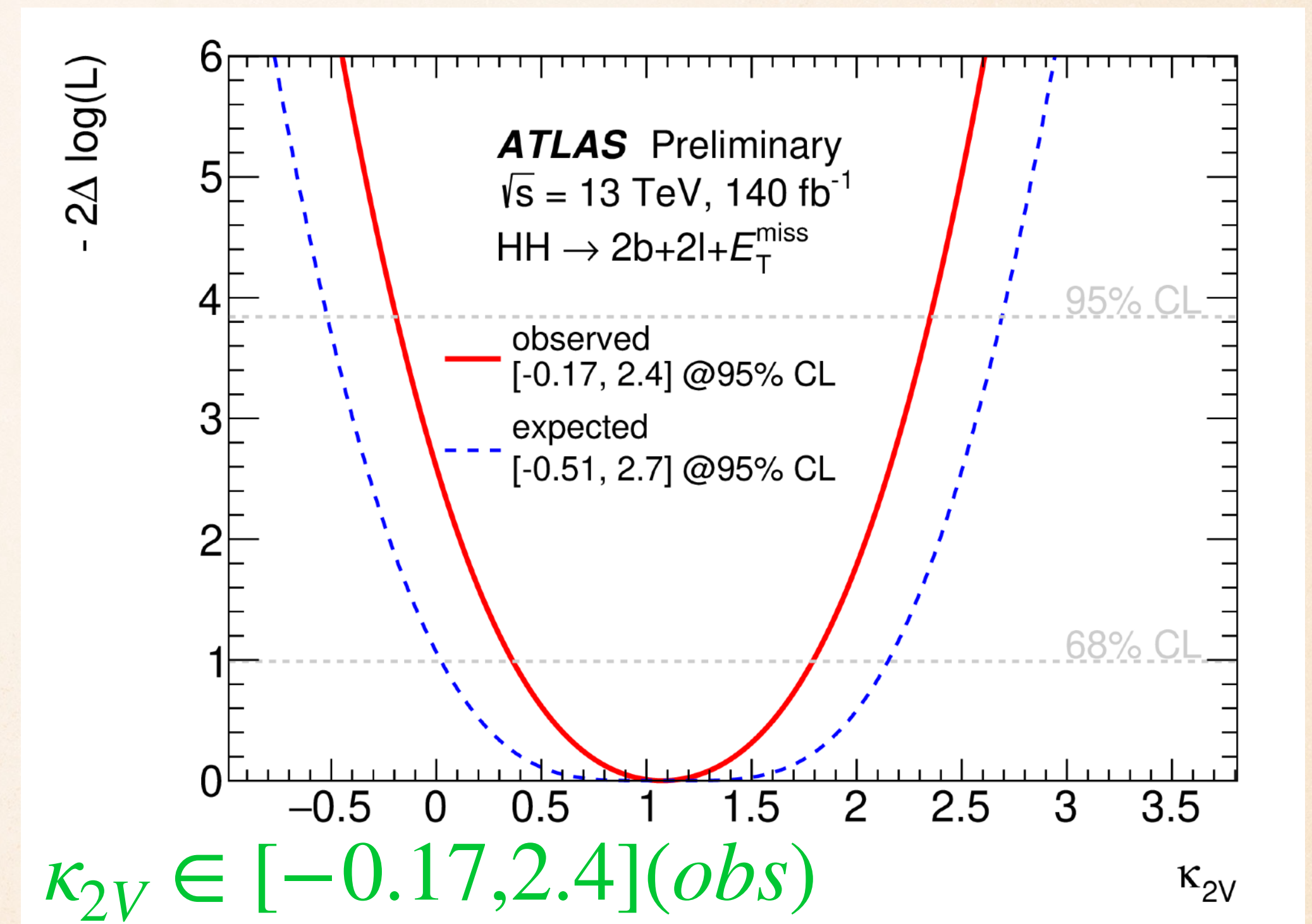
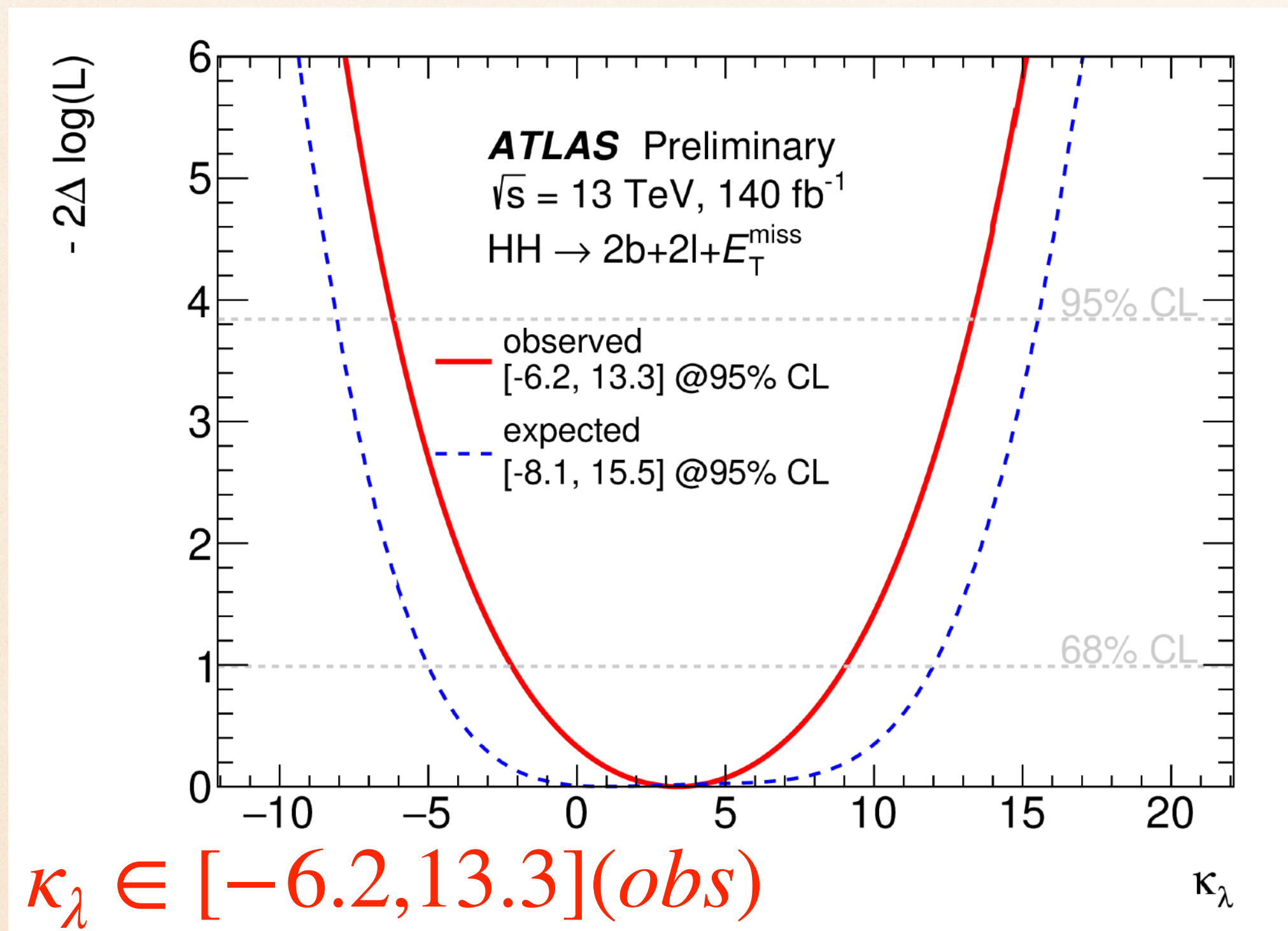


- Observed (expected) 95% CL upper limit on $\frac{\sigma_{pp \rightarrow HH}}{\sigma_{pp \rightarrow HH}^{SM}}$ **9.6 (16.2)**
- significant improvement** (previous **40(29)**)



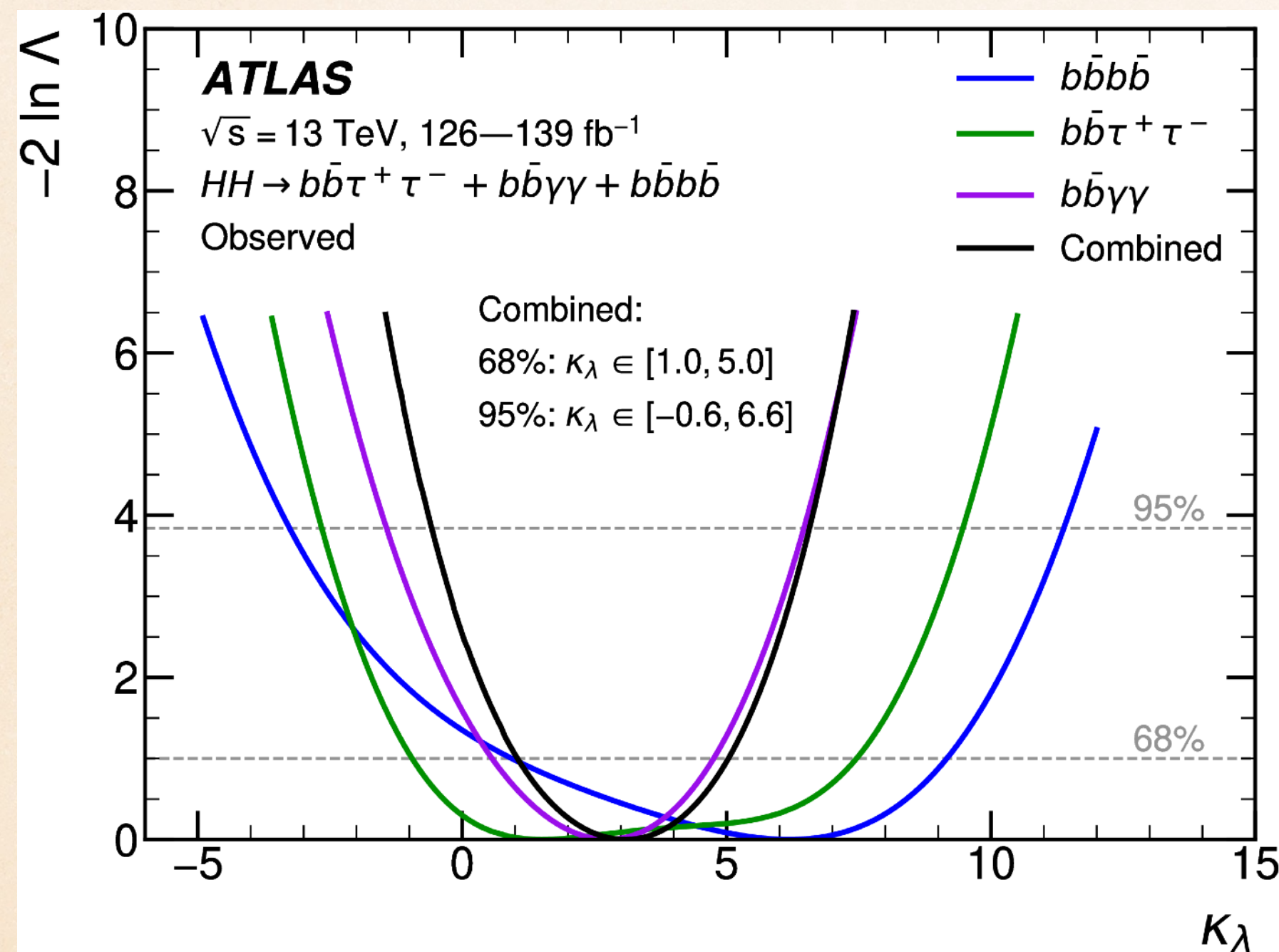
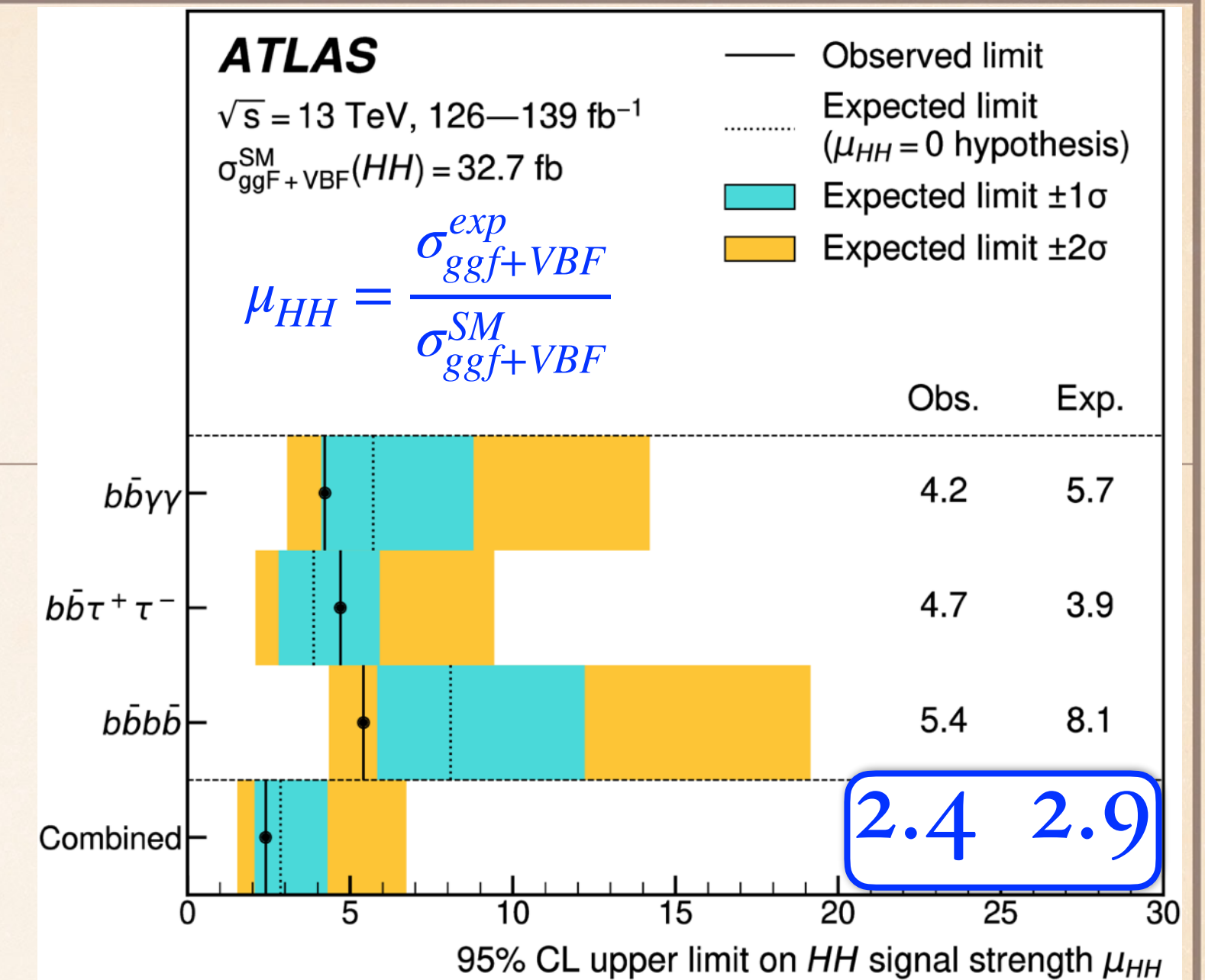
$$HH \rightarrow bb + W^+W^- / ZZ / \tau^+\tau^- \rightarrow bb + l^+l^- + \text{neutrinos}$$

- ◆ Likelihood scans on the κ_λ and κ_{2V} parameters
- ◆ All other modifiers set to SM values, i.e. $\kappa_t = 1$ and also $\kappa_{2V}(\kappa_\lambda)$ in respective fits



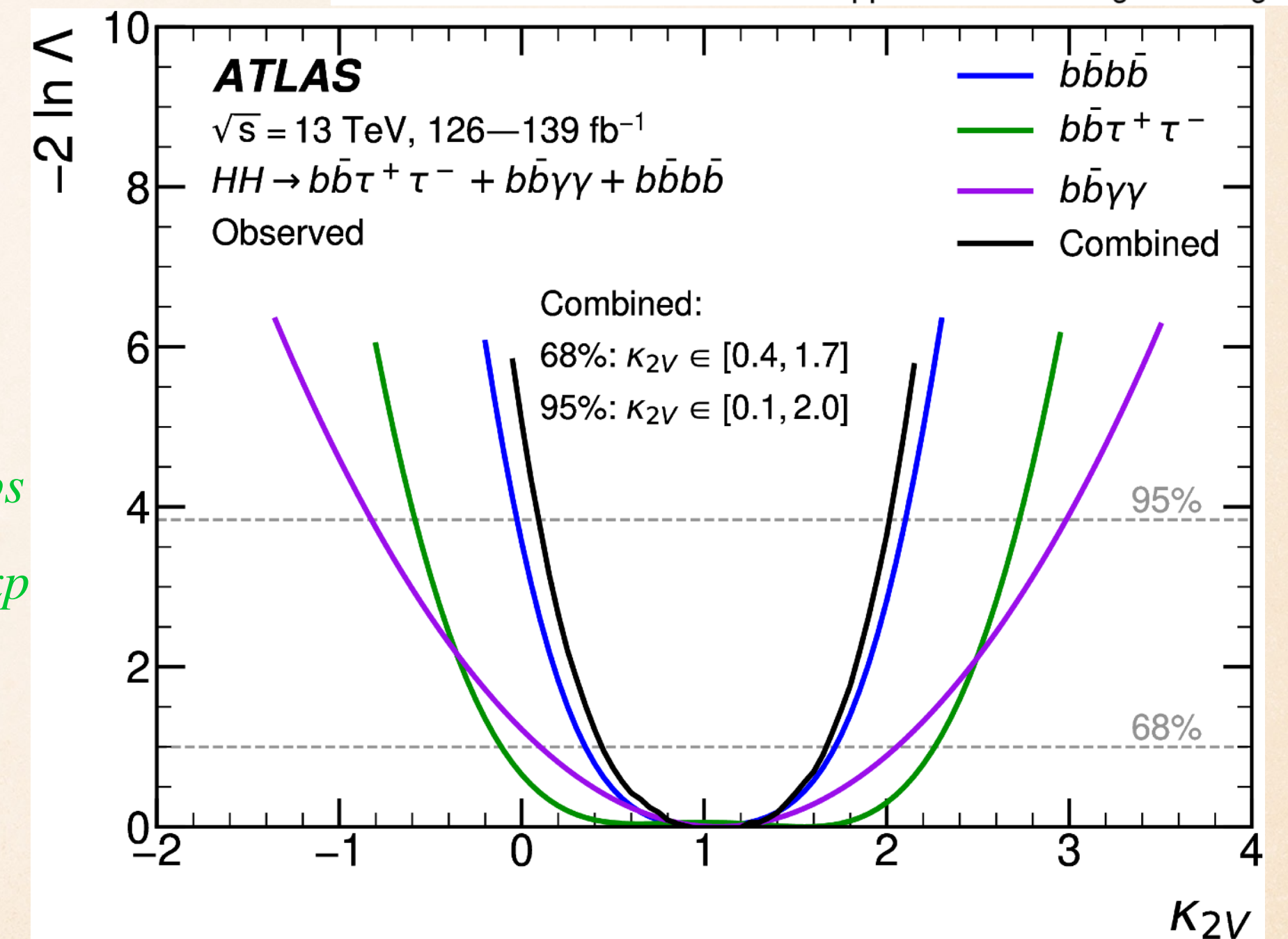
COMBINATION - HH

- ❖ The ggF process is sensitive to the relative sign between κ_λ and κ_t
- ❖ The VBF process is sensitive to the relative sign between κ_{2V} and κ_V
- ❖ Combine $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$, $b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$ and $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ (old)



$\kappa_\lambda \in (-0.6, 6.6)^{\text{obs}}$
 $(-2.1, 7.8)^{\text{exp}}$

$\kappa_{2V} \in (0.1, 2.0)^{\text{obs}}$
 $(0.0, 2.1)^{\text{exp}}$



COMBINATION - H+HH

❖ Single Higgs production does not depend

on κ_λ at LO, but it contributes to the calculation @NLO(EW)

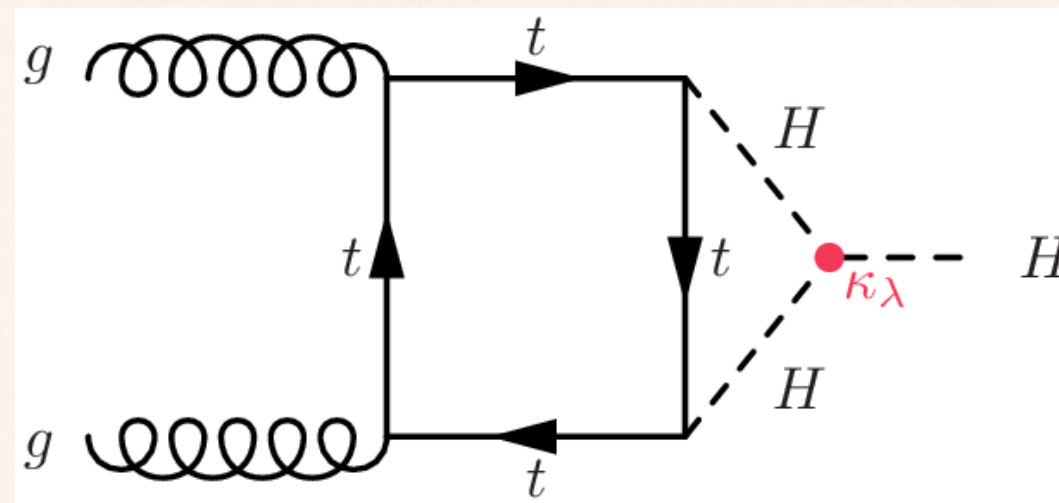
❖ an indirect constraint on κ_λ can be extracted

❖ Two approaches

❖ Consider only departure of the κ_λ from the SM, all other as predicted

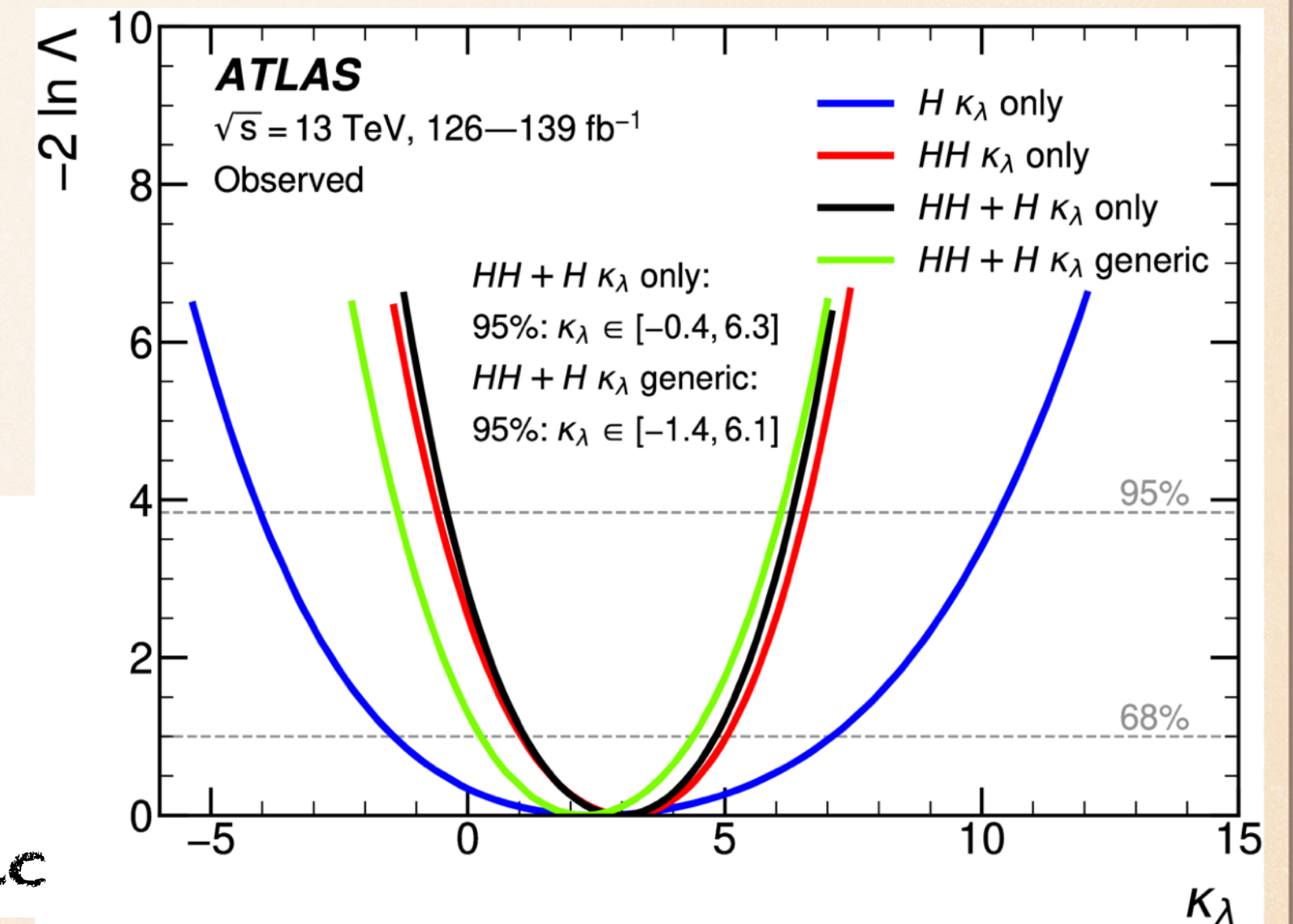
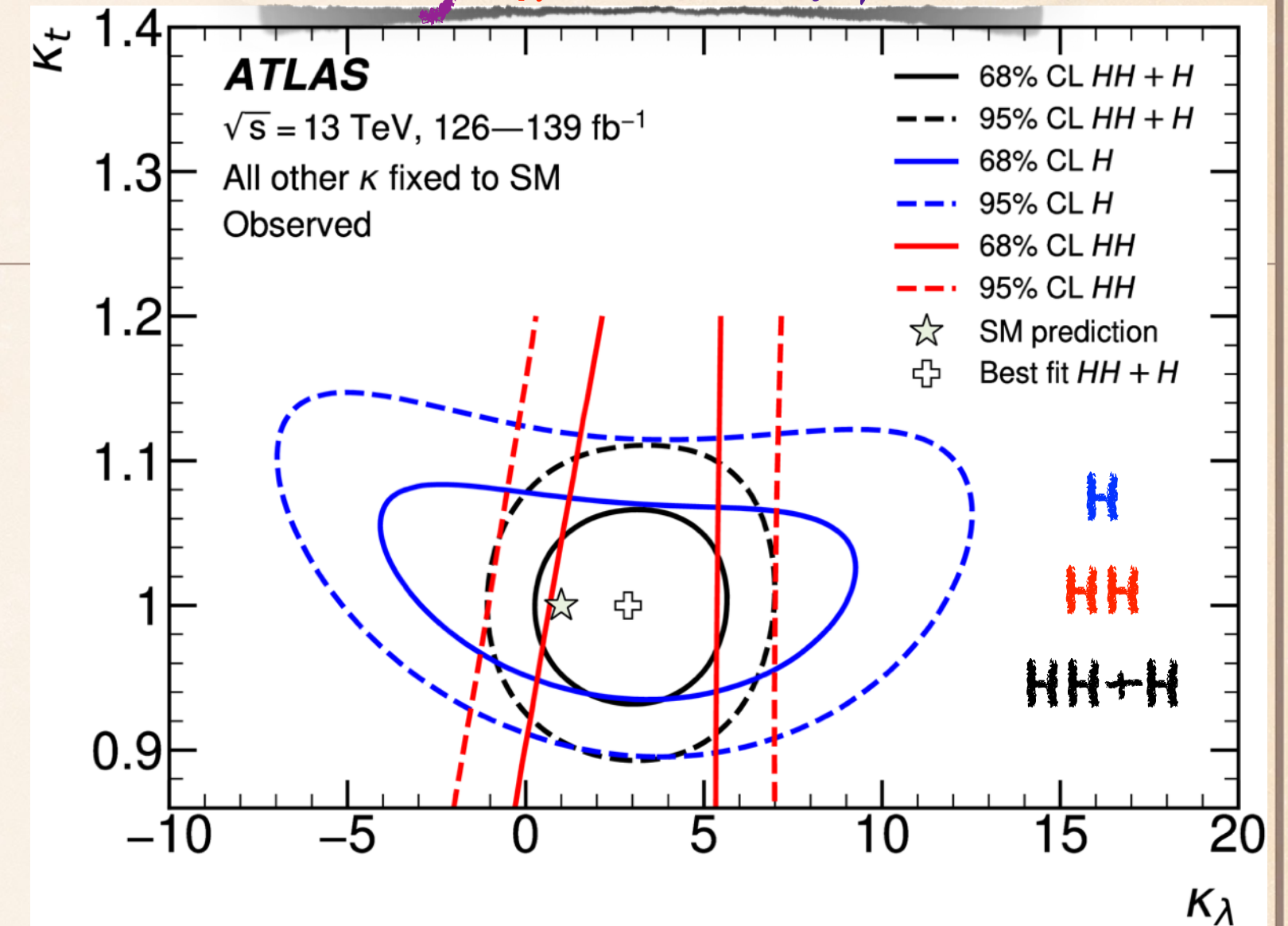
❖ All of the coupling modifiers except κ_{2V} to float freely in the fit

ttH is the most sensitive to κ_λ



H κ_λ only
 HH κ_λ only
 HH+H κ_λ only
 HH+H κ_λ generic

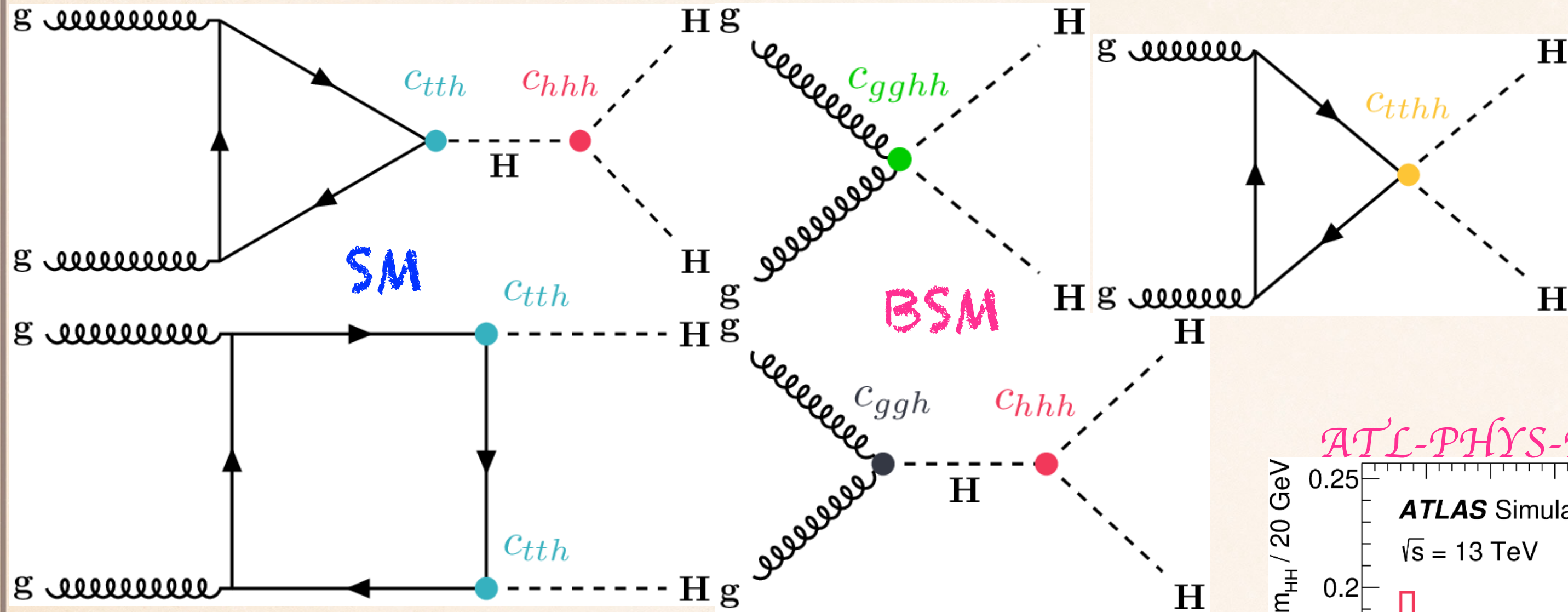
Only κ_λ and κ_t free



EFFECTIVE FIELD THEORIES

*Jay Sandesara about other results from EFT

*Tom Ingebretsen Carlson about EFT in $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$



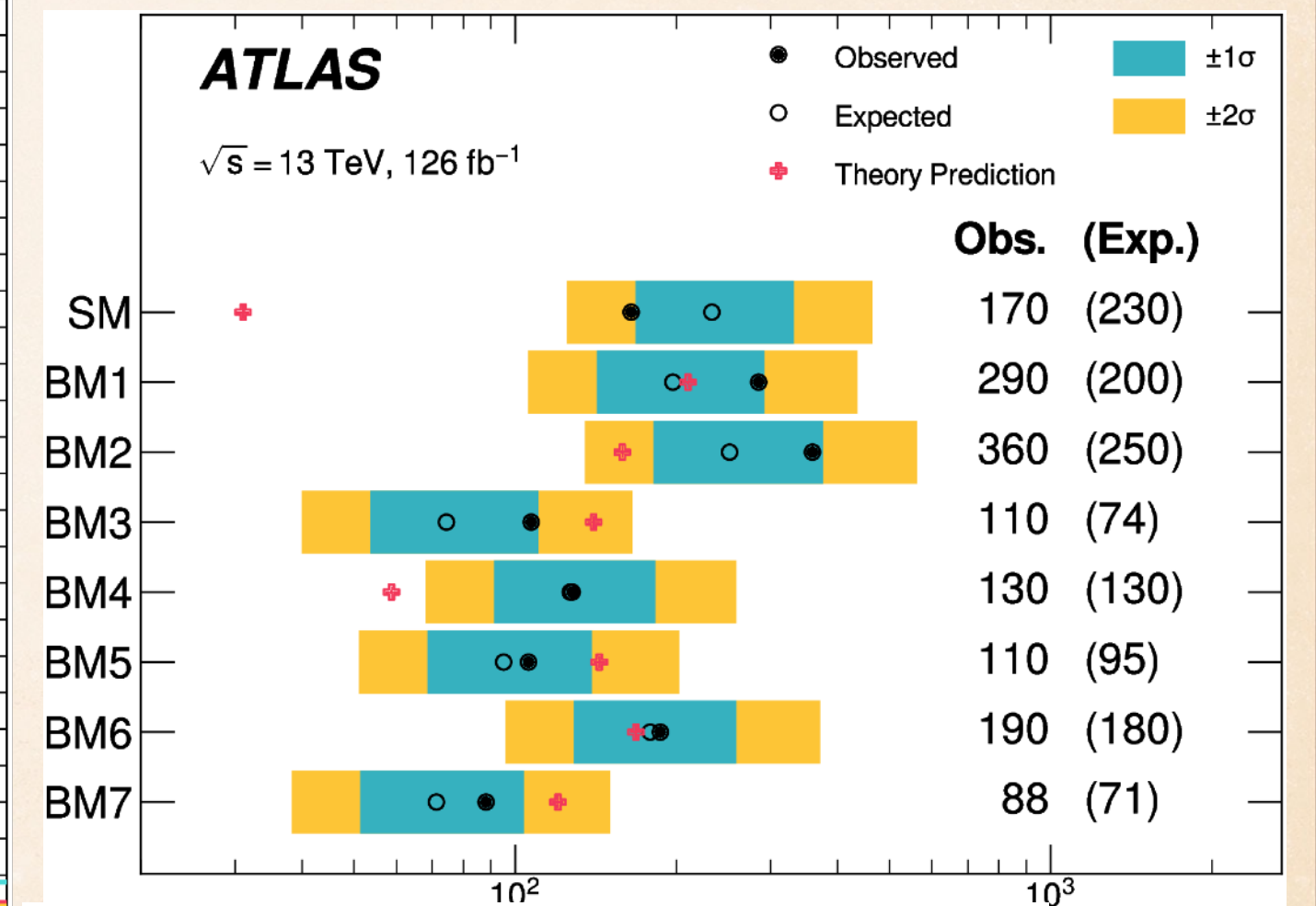
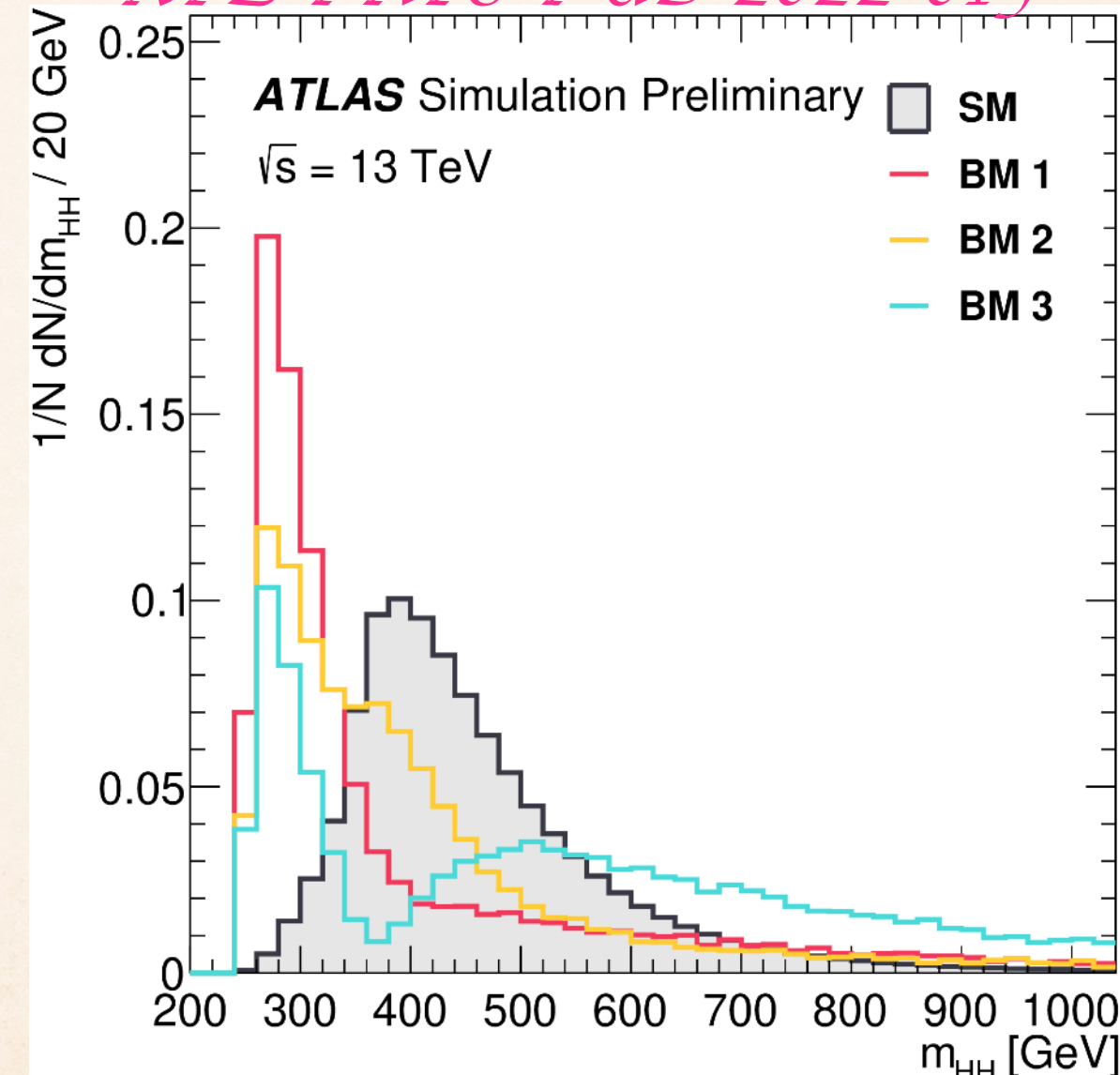
Effective Field Theories (EFT) – indirect probe of new physics

⊠ H(iggs)EFT – physical Higgs boson

⊠ BSM benchmarks based on impact on

$$m_{HH}$$

ATL-PHYS-PUB-2022-019

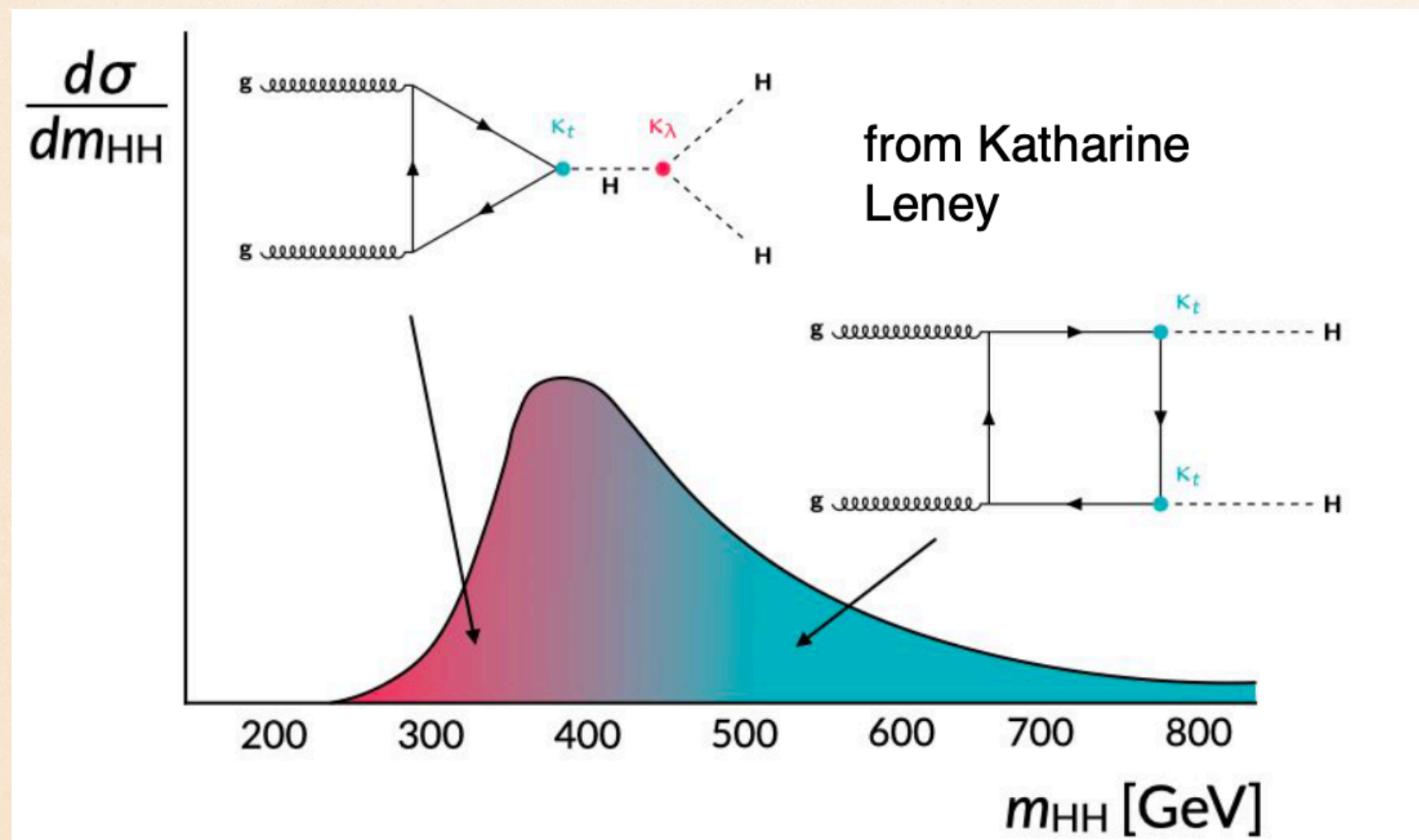


Phys. Rev. D 108 (2023) 052003

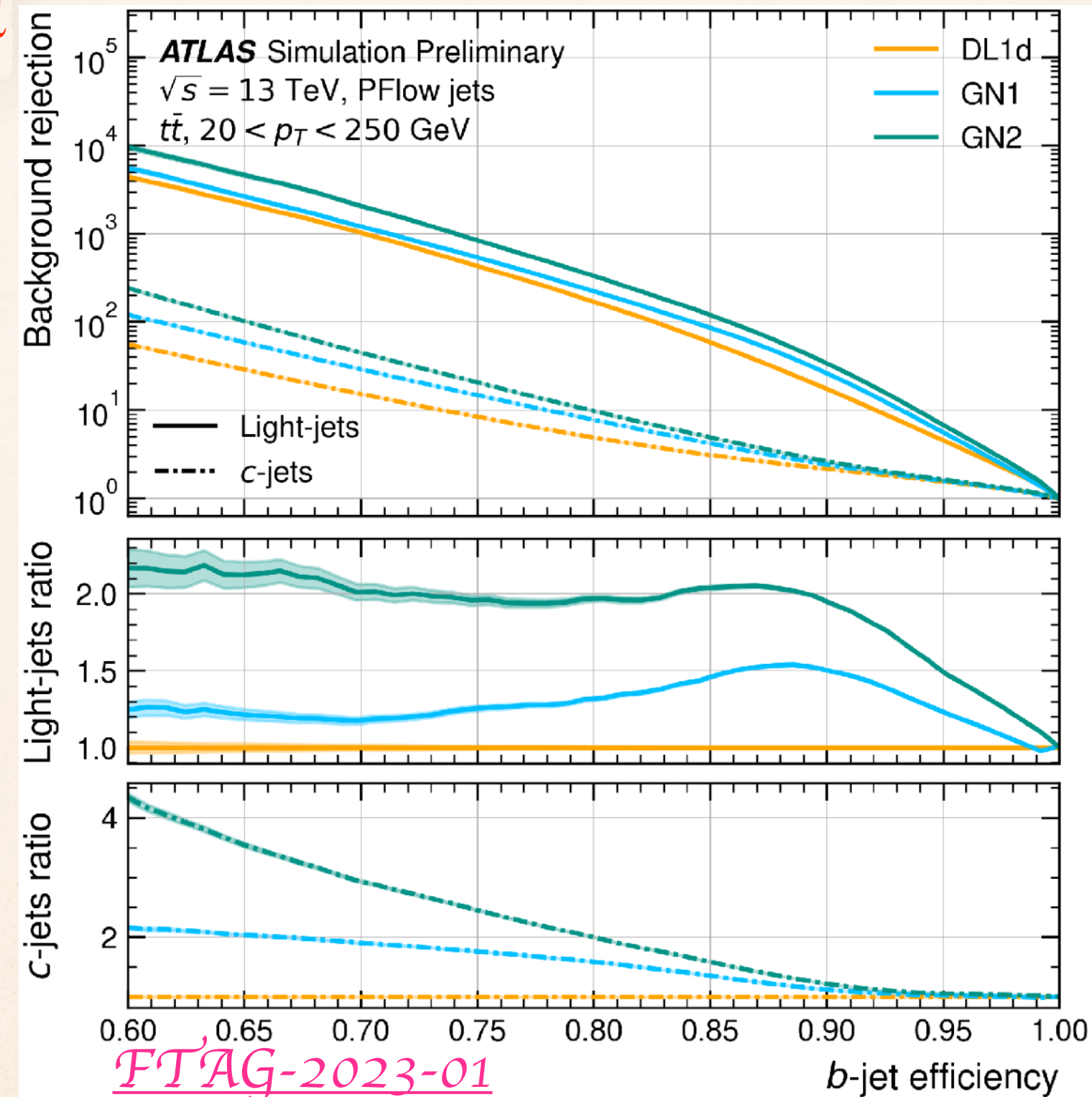
Benchmark Model	c_{HHH}	c_{ttH}	c_{ggH}	c_{ggHH}	c_{ttHH}
SM	1	1	0	0	0
BM1	3.94	0.94	1/2	1/3	-1/3
BM2	6.84	0.61	0.0	-1/3	1/3
BM3	2.21	1.05	1/2	1/2	-1/3
BM4	2.79	0.61	-1/2	1/6	1/3
BM5	3.95	1.17	1/6	-1/2	-1/3
BM6	5.68	0.83	-1/2	1/3	1/3
BM7	-0.10	0.94	1/6	-1/6	1

FUTURE IS HERE

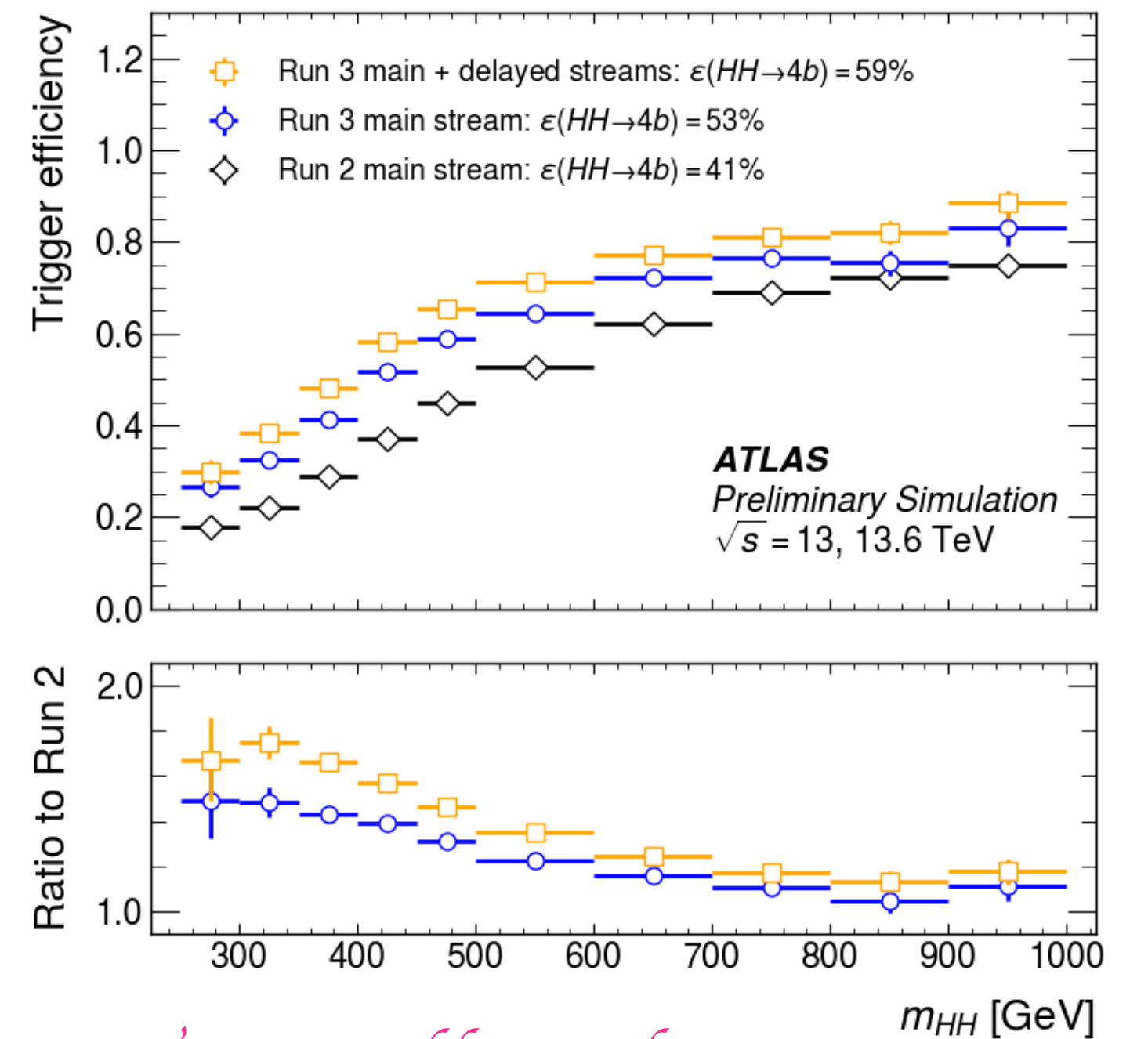
- ❖ LHC Run 3 is ongoing
- ❖ Low m_{HH} is crucial to constrain κ_λ



Better b-tagging



Smarter triggering

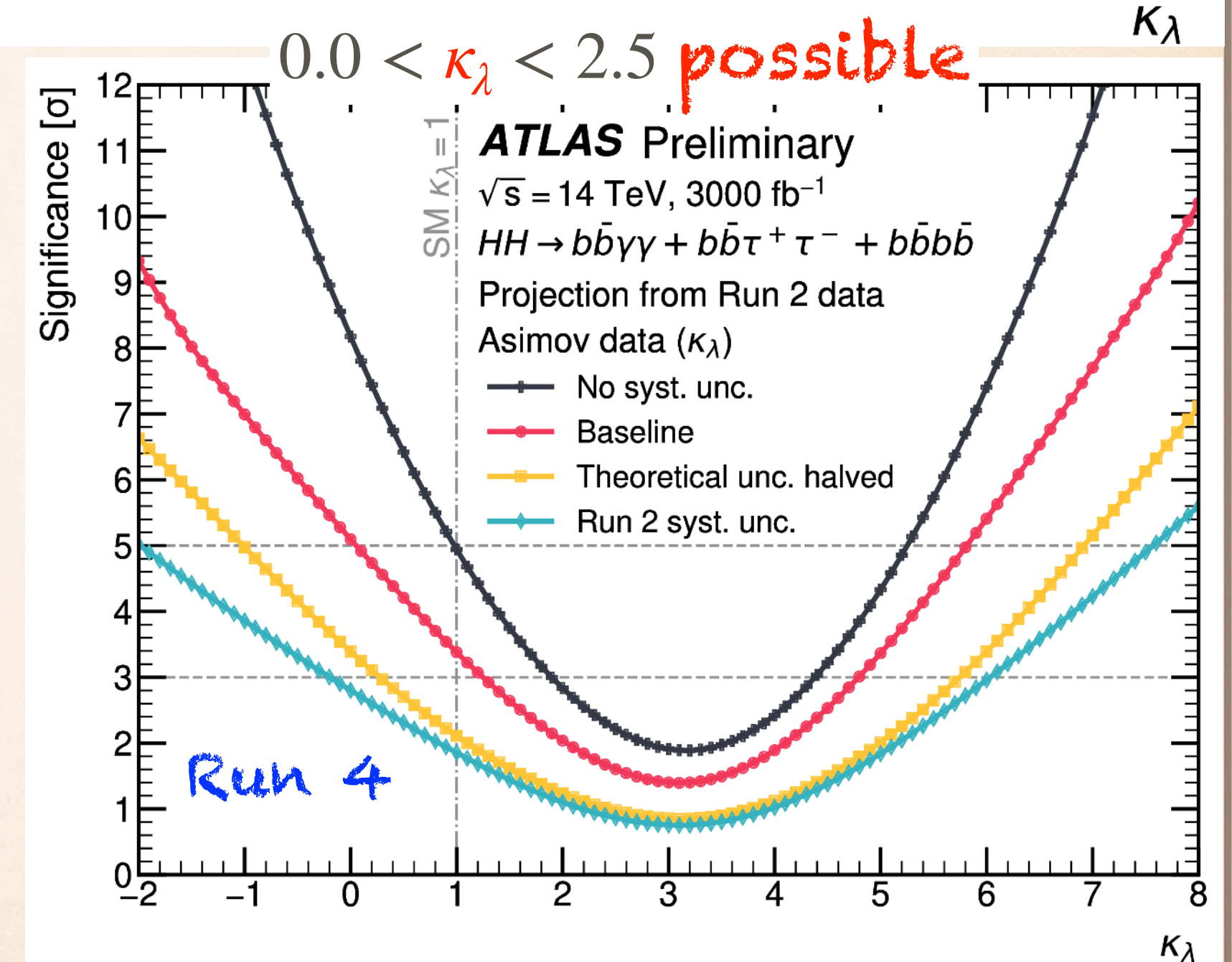
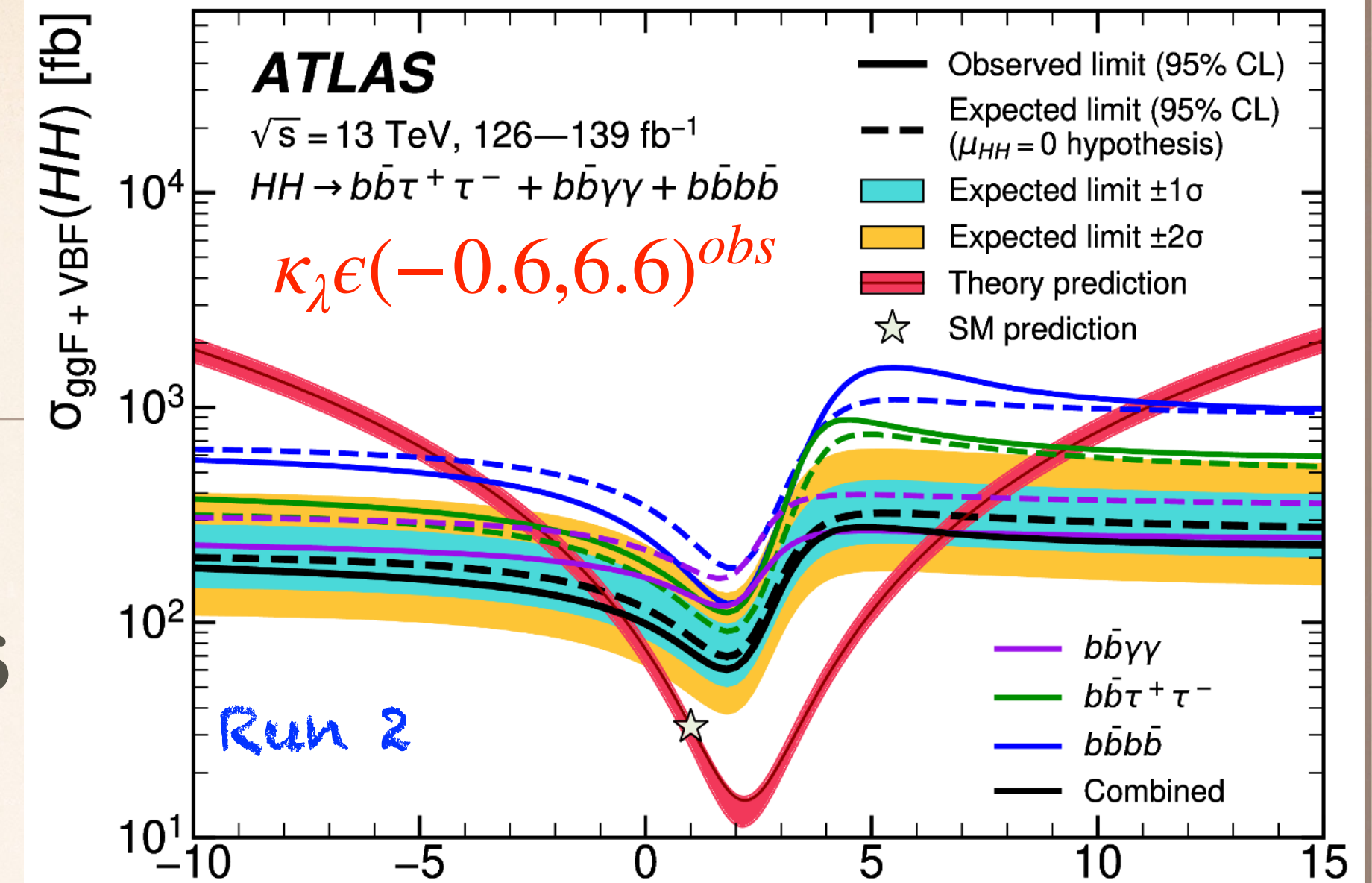


BJet Trigger Public Results

SUMMARY

- ❖ Many improvements in experimental devices and techniques lead us to fantastic results
- ❖ With run 3 we will double the data
- ❖ We go further: Projections for HL-LHC:
 - ❖ ATLAS - 3.4σ significance; 5σ possible combining with CMS

Public results



TO MEENAKSHI

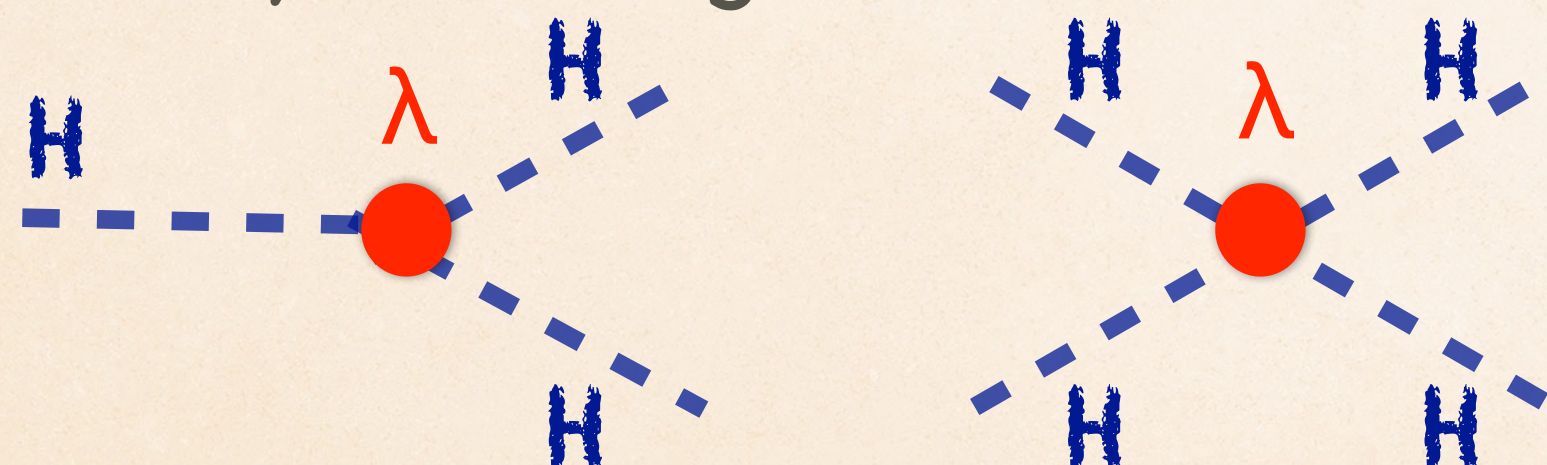
- ❖ In early 2000's $VH \rightarrow Vbb$ was impossible to think of at that time future LHC
- ❖ DiHiggs analyses were wild dreams
- ❖ People like Meenakshi made it possible



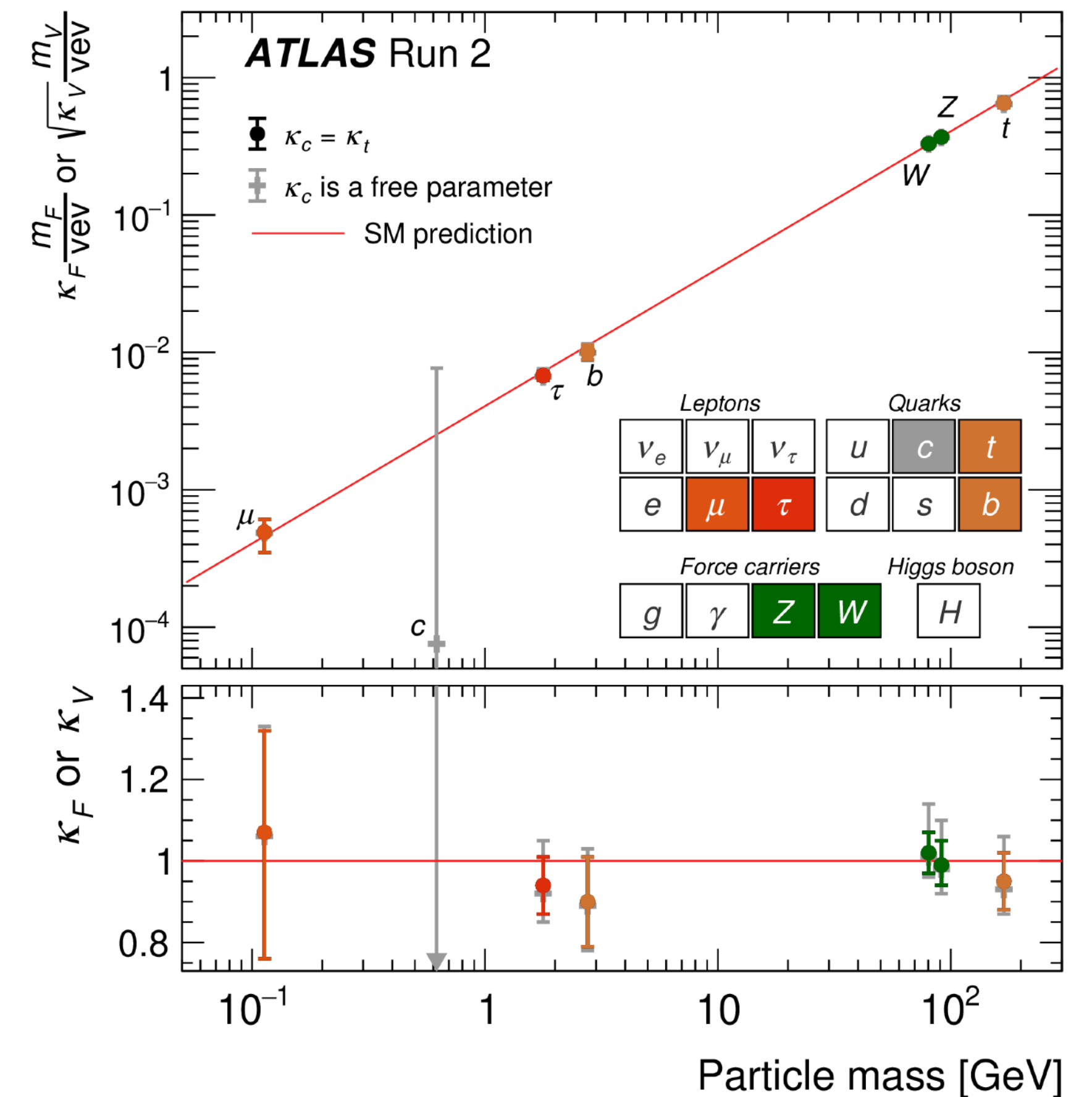
BACKUP

MOTIVATION

- ❖ In 2012 a new particle with properties consistent with those predicted for the Higgs boson of the standard model was discovered
- ❖ Precision era in Higgs physics points to SM-like particle
 - ❖ The coupling between the Higgs boson and a given particle is fully defined by the particle's mass and type.
- ❖ Missing Higgs self coupling, explanation of EWK symmetry breaking



$$\kappa_X = \frac{c_{HX}^{exp}}{c_{HX}^{SM}}$$

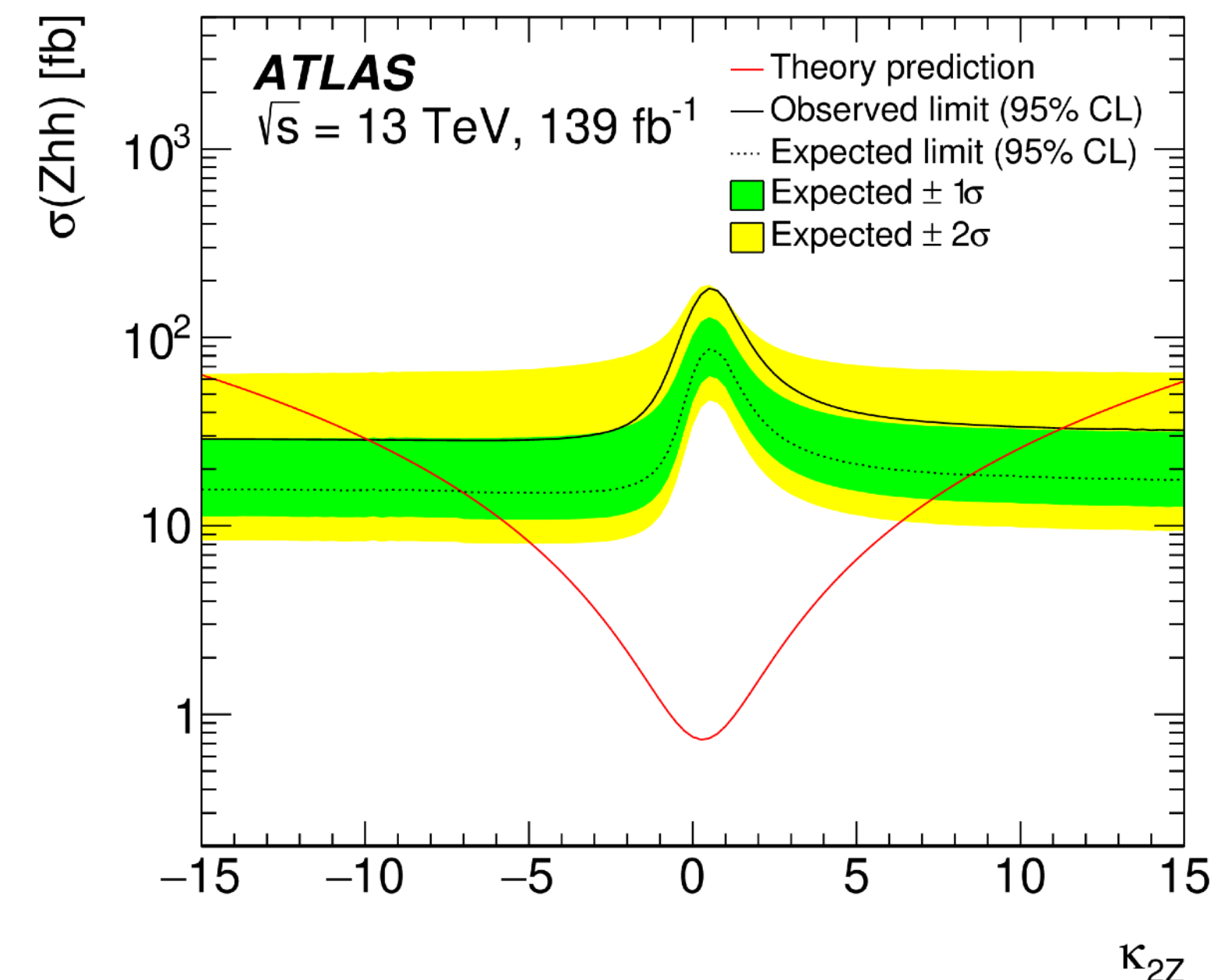
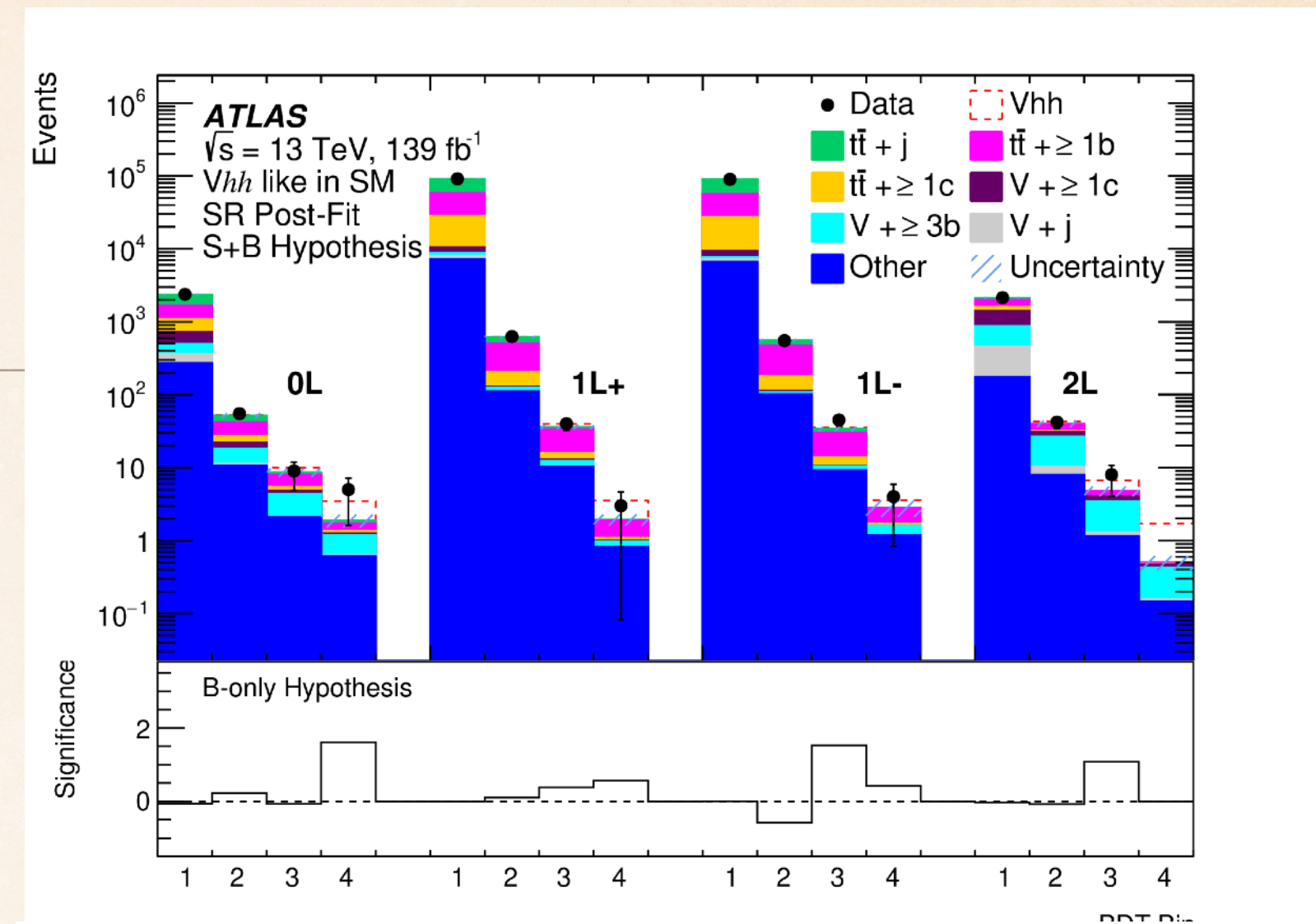


Nature 607, pages 52-59 (2022)

VHH PRODUCTION

EPJC 83 (2023) 519

- ❖ Unlikely VBF it can probe separately $WWHH$ (κ_{2W}) and $ZZHH$ (κ_{2Z}) interactions
 - ❖ $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ and leptonic decays of V : $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ (0L), $W \rightarrow l\nu$ (1L) and $Z \rightarrow ll$ (2L)
 - ❖ Extract signal with simultaneous fit to BDT distributions
 - ❖ Results interpreted in three different scenarios:
 - ❖ "SM" - SM kinematics but with its cross-section scaled by a signal-strength parameter μ
 - ❖ κ_λ - tests for an anomalous tri-linear hhh coupling, assuming SM couplings for the rest
 - ❖ κ_{2V} - tests for an anomalous quartic hhVV coupling
- $$-34.4 < \kappa_\lambda < 33.3 \qquad -12.3 < \kappa_{2W} < 13.5$$
- $$-8.6 < \kappa_{2V} < 10.0 \qquad -9.9 < \kappa_{2Z} < 11.3$$



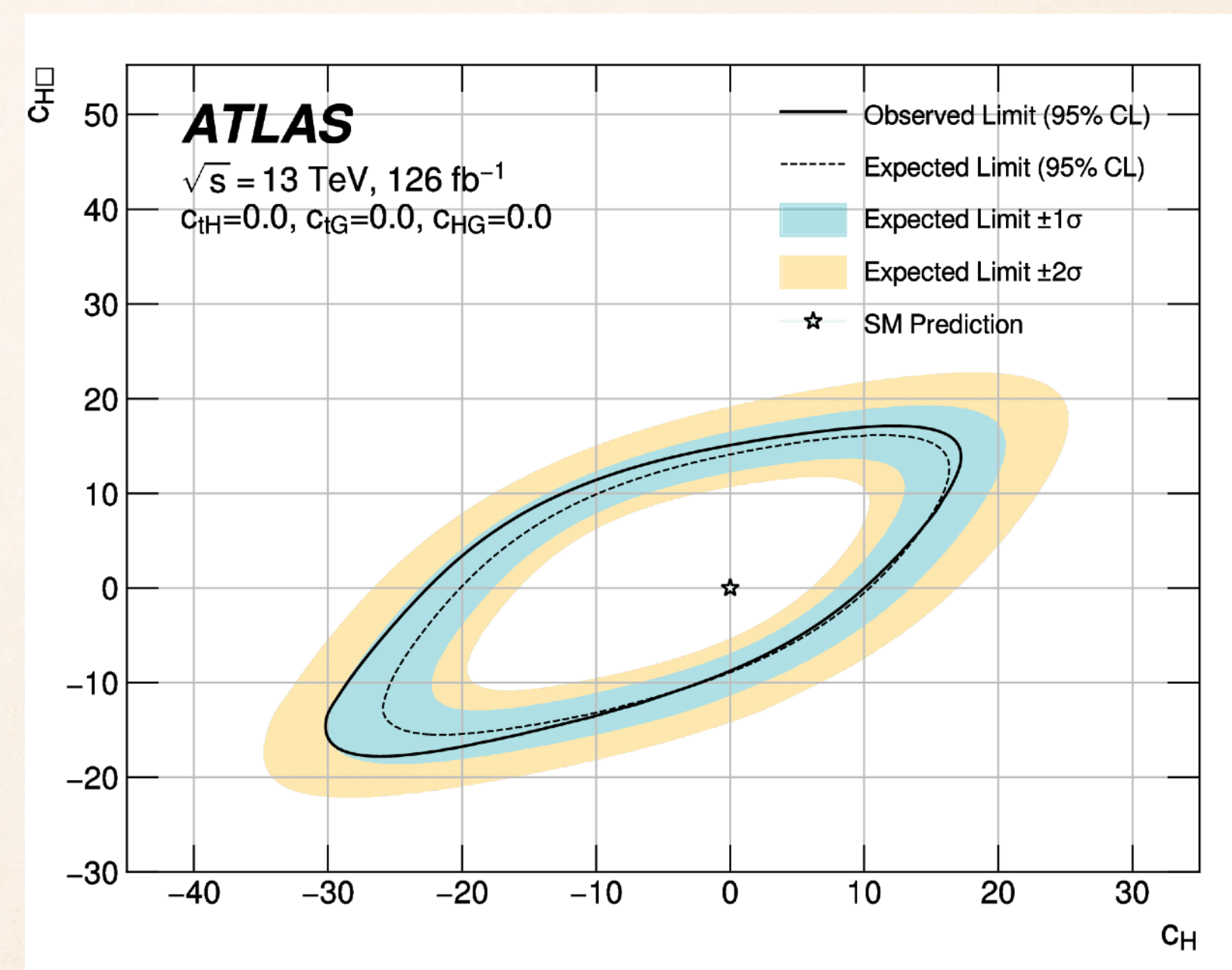
EFFECTIVE FIELD THEORIES

- *In dedicated session Jay Sandesara will talk about other results from EFT
- *Tom Ingebretsen Carlson will talk about EFT in $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ later today

◆ Effective Field Theories (EFT) - indirect probe of new physics

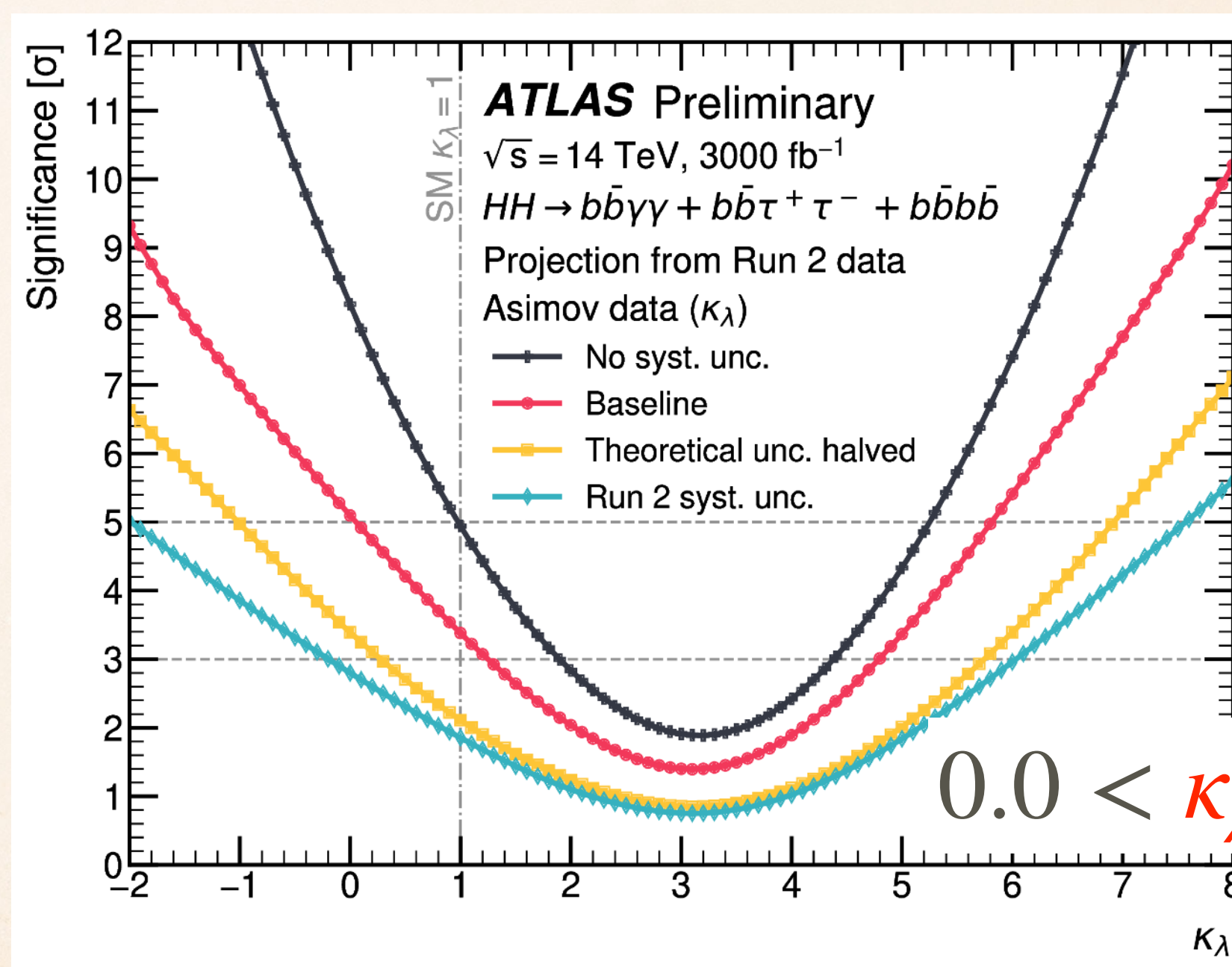
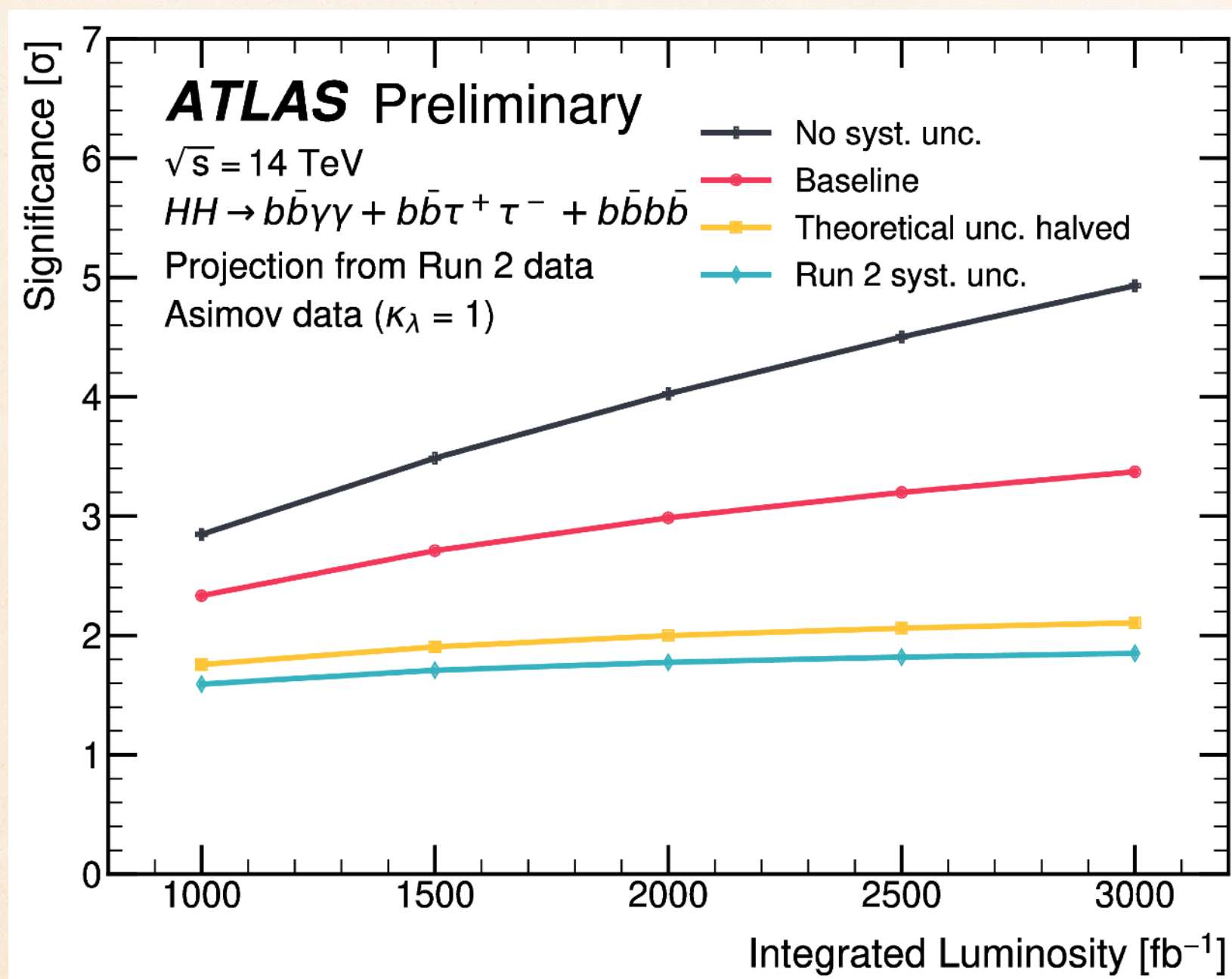
◆ SMEFT: $\mathcal{L}_{SMEFT} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + (1/\Lambda^2) \sum c_k^{(6)} \mathcal{O}_k^{(6)}$

Wilson Coefficient	Operator
c_H	$(H^\dagger H)^3$
$c_{H\Box}$	$(H^\dagger H)\Box(H^\dagger H)$
c_{tH}	$(H^\dagger H)(\bar{Q}\tilde{H}t)$
c_{HG}	$H^\dagger H G_{\mu\nu}^A G_A^{\mu\nu}$
c_{tG}	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu}T^A t)\tilde{H}G_{\mu\nu}^A$



FURTHER IN FUTURE - HL-LHC

- ❖ Four systematic uncertainty scenarios probed - baseline accounts for expected improvements
- ❖ ATLAS - 3.4σ significance; 5σ possible combining with CMS
- ❖ Improvement of the results from further work on trigger, object reconstruction, analyses techniques



$0.0 < \kappa_\lambda < 2.5$ possible

FURTHER IN FUTURE - HL-LHC

❖ Four systematic uncertainty scenarios probed - baseline accounts for expected improvements

❖

Uncertainty scenario	Significance [σ]				Combined signal	
	$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	$b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$	$b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$	Combination	strength	precision [%]
No syst. unc.	2.3	4.0	1.8	4.9	-21/+22	
Baseline	2.2	2.8	0.99	3.4	-30/+33	
Theoretical unc. halved	1.1	1.7	0.65	2.1	-47/+48	
Run 2 syst. unc.	1.1	1.5	0.65	1.9	-53/+65	

IMPROVEMENTS

❖ Run2 vs run 3 taggers

