# ATLAS+CMS Higgs combination: what have we learned?

- **This discussion is based on the run-1 ATLAS+CMS Higgs combination paper**
  - **This is still the most relevant one for combined measurements of Higgs properties**
  - **I was ATLAS editor for this paper**

- **Some theoretical considerations**

- **Overview of main results**

- **This is therefore NOT a discussion of the difficulties encountered in each individual measurement (an individual measurement corresponds ideally to a specific Higgs production and decay**

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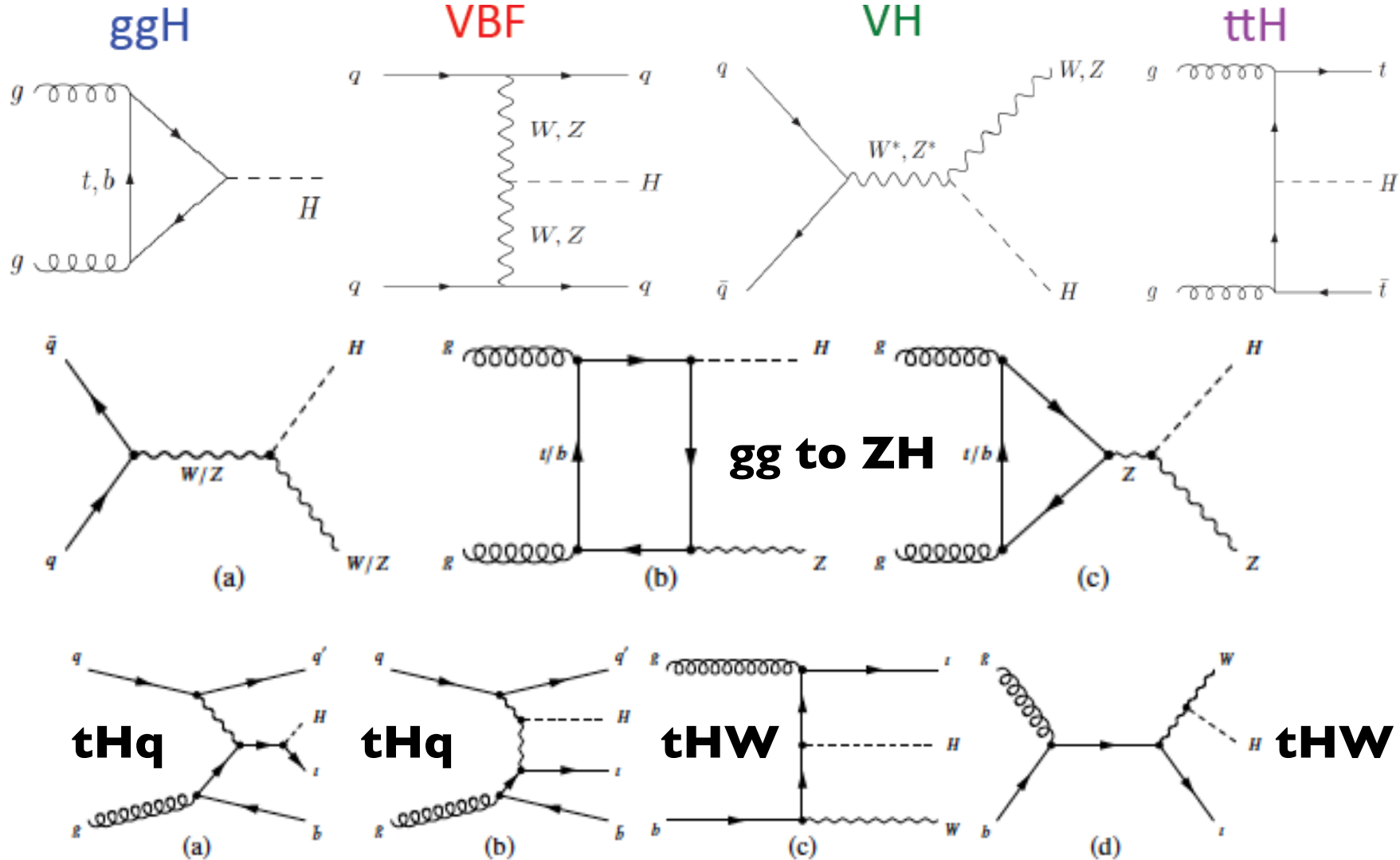
- **In BSM physics, both gg to ZH and tHq/tHW production processes may play an important role through interference effects**

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Instead, I want to spend most of my time talking about three recent results that may have a potential to significantly affect the way we think about the possibility to do precision Higgs physics at hadron colliders. They include:

1) the N^3LO QCD calculation of the inclusive Higgs boson production in gluon fusion;

Anastasiou, Duhr, Dulat, Furlan, Herzog, Mitzlberger etc.

2) the NNLO QCD calculation of the fiducial cross sections for the production of a Higgs boson and a jet at the LHC;

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3) the NNLO QCD calculation of the fiducial cross section for Higgs production in weak boson fusion at the LHC.

Cacciari, Dreyer, Kalberg, Salam, Zanderighi

These three results are important since they give us a new perspective on the ultimate precision achievable on the theory side in the exploration of Higgs boson physics at the LHC. Another important lesson that these results seem to teach us is that -- beyond a certain level -- fixed order results are indispensable and can not be substituted by their approximate estimates.
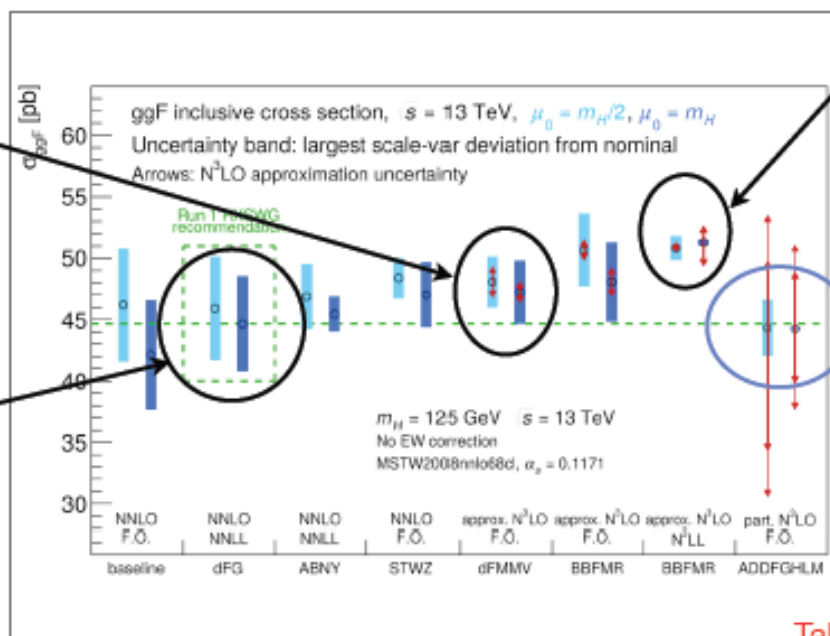
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Estimates of N³LO Higgs production cross sections were attempted before an exact calculation using various approximations (essentially, emission or soft gluons or powers of π are assumed to be the dominant source of QCD corrections). The HXWG has assembled various predictions for the Higgs cross section made before the N³LO result became available. The picture below should tell us about the success or failure of these predictions. But it does not...; it leaves more questions than answers. However, the correct answer is important since it will teach us if approximate predictions for Higgs production cross section are reliable and to what extent.

The authors of this result claim the same increase of the cross-section relative to NNLO as the exact N3LO computation shows. Yet, the results on that plot are apparently different.

...understand why this point is so much higher than everybody else and why the claimed precision is so high.

Good agreement with N3LO; obviously larger errors.

ggF inclusive cross section, $s = 13$ TeV, $\mu_0 = m_H/2$, $\mu_0 = m_H$
Uncertainty band: largest scale-var deviation from nominal
Arrows: N³LO approximation uncertainty

$m_H = 125$ GeV $s = 13$ TeV
No EW correction
MSTW2008nnlo68cl, $\alpha_s = 0.1171$

N3LO result

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Taken from the HXWG summary

Theory: how precise do we need to be?

The NNLO QCD corrections to H+jet production at the LHC were computed recently. They increase the H+jet production cross section by O(20%) and significantly reduce the scale dependence uncertainty . This is similar to corrections to the inclusive Higgs production cross section although corrections to H+j are slightly smaller.

NNPDF2.3, 8 TeV

$\sigma_{LO} = 3.9^{+1.7}_{-1.1} \text{ pb}$

$\sigma_{NLO} = 5.6^{+1.3}_{-1.1} \text{ pb}$
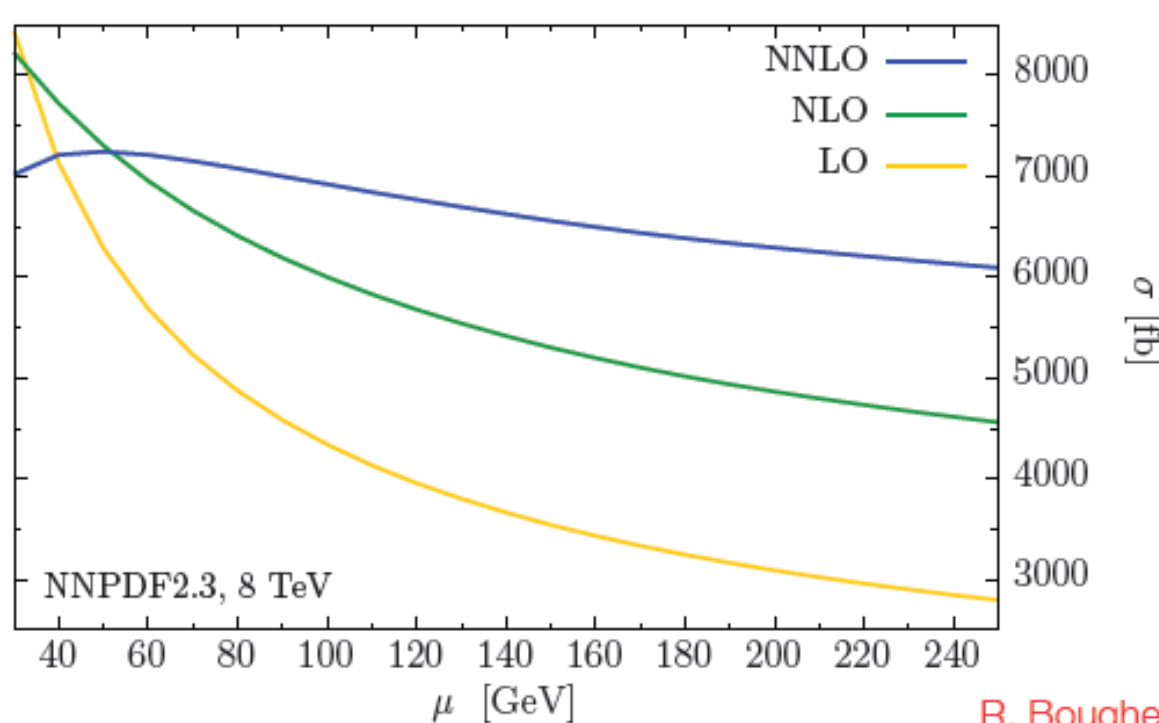
$\sigma_{NNLO} = 6.7^{+0.5}_{-0.6} \text{ pb}$

The cross sections for the anti-k_t algorithm with the jet transverse momentum cut of 30 GeV at the 8 TeV LHC.

R. Boughezal, F. Caola, K.M., F. Petriello, M. Schulze

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Using these results and the N^3LO computation of the Higgs total cross section, one can find the fraction of Higgs boson events without detectable jet radiation.

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The drawback of these results is that they still can not be used to describe fiducial volume cross sections since decays of the Higgs boson are not included. This is, however, easy to do since the Higgs boson is a scalar particle and no spin correlations are involved. What makes this calculation even more interesting is that there are measurements of the ATLAS and CMS collaborations at the 8 TeV LHC that can be directly compared to the results of the fiducial volume calculation (results are shown for infinitely heavy top quark).

Atlas cuts on photons and jets

$$\text{anti} - \text{k}_t, \quad \Delta R = 0.4, \quad p_{j\perp} = 30 \text{ GeV}, \text{abs}(y_j) < 4.4$$

$$p_{\perp,\gamma_1} > 43.75 \text{ GeV}, \quad p_{\perp,\gamma_2} = 31.25 \text{ GeV}, \quad \Delta R_{\gamma j} > 0.4$$

$$\sigma_{1j,\text{ATLAS}}^{\text{fid}} = 21.5 \pm 5.3(\text{stat}) \pm 2.3(\text{syst}) \pm 0.6 \text{ lum fb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{LO}}^{\text{fid}} = 5.43_{-1.5}^{+2.32} \text{ fb} \qquad \sigma_{\text{NLO}}^{\text{fid}} = 7.98_{-1.46}^{+1.76} \text{ fb} \qquad \sigma_{\text{NNLO}}^{\text{fid}} = 9.46_{-0.84}^{+0.56} \text{ fb}$$

The difference between the ATLAS H+j measurements and the SM prediction is close to two standard deviations; the ratio of central values is larger than in the inclusive case.

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The QCD corrections obtained in this approach are small (O(5%) NLO, O(3%) NNLO) ; it then seemed natural to assume that this size of QCD corrections will be indicative for the fiducial cross sections.
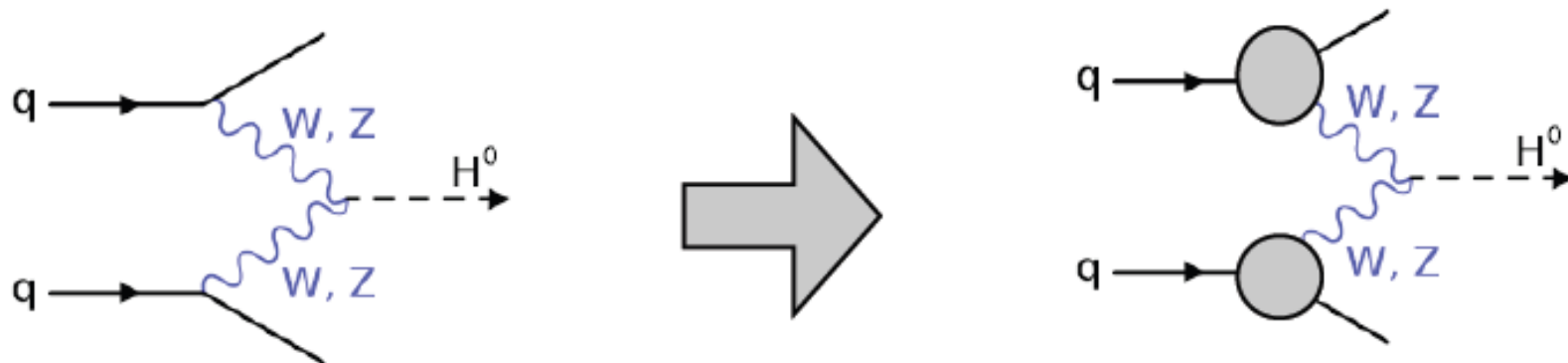
However, this assumption turns out to be incorrect and, in fact, one can get larger O(6-10%) corrections for fiducial (WBF cuts) cross sections and kinematic distributions. Often, the shape of those corrections seems rather different from both the NLO and/or parton shower predictions. The message -- again -- seems to be that fixed order computations are required beyond certain level of precision; approximate results may indicate their magnitude but not much beyond t

WBF cuts

$$p_\perp^{j_{1,2}} > 25 \text{ GeV}, \quad |y_{j_{1,2}}| < 4.5,$$
$$\Delta y_{j_1,j_2} = 4.5, \quad m_{j_1,j_2} > 600 \text{ GeV},$$
$$y_{j_1} y_{j_2} < 0, \quad \Delta R > 0.4$$

	σ^{nocuts} [pb]	$\sigma^{\text{VBF cuts}}$ [pb]
LO	$4.032^{+0.057}_{-0.069}$	$0.957^{+0.066}_{-0.059}$
NLO	$3.929^{+0.024}_{-0.023}$	$0.876^{+0.008}_{-0.018}$
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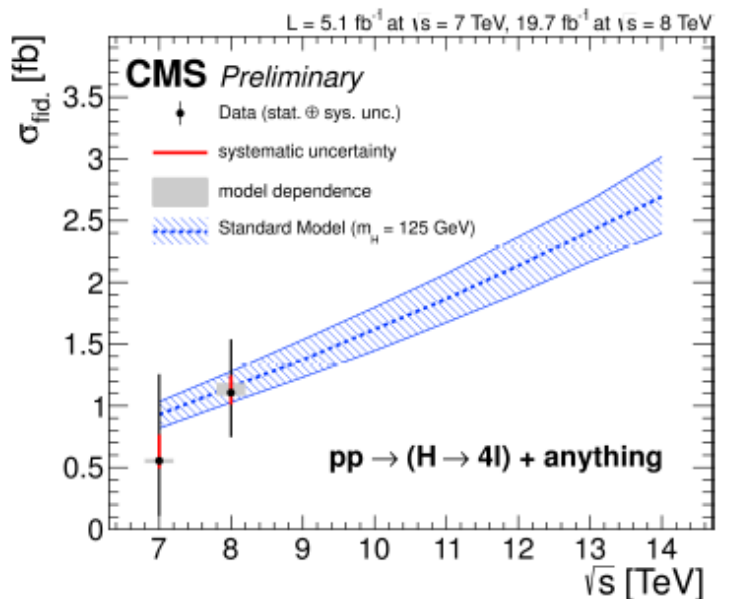
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Cross sections: fiducial measurements.

Fiducial σ at 7 and 8 TeV

L = 5.1 fb^{-1} at $\sqrt{s}$ = 7 TeV, 19.7 fb^{-1} at $\sqrt{s}$ = 8 TeV

CMS *Preliminary*
- Data (stat. ⊕ sys. unc.)
- systematic uncertainty
- model dependence
- Standard Model (m_H = 125 GeV)

$pp \to (H \to 4l)$ + anything

Fiducial σ CMS (8 TeV)

$$\sigma_{\text{fid}} = 1.11^{+0.41}_{-0.35}(\text{stat})^{+0.14}_{-0.10}(\text{syst})^{+0.08}_{-0.02}(\text{mod}) \, \text{fb}$$

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$$\sigma^{\text{SM}}_{\text{fid}} = 31^{+4}_{-3} \, \text{fb} \qquad H \to \gamma\gamma$$

Fiducial σ ATLAS (8 TeV)

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$$\sigma_{\text{fid}} = 43.2 \pm 9.4(\text{stat})^{+3.2}_{-2.9}(\text{syst}) \pm 1.2(\text{lumi}) \, \text{fb}$$

$$\sigma^{\text{SM}}_{\text{fid}} = 30.5 \pm 3.3 \, \text{fb} \qquad H \to \gamma\gamma$$

$H \to WW^* \to e\nu\mu\nu$ fiducial ggH cross section ATLAS (8 TeV)

$$\sigma^{ggH}_{\text{fid},0j} = 27.6^{+5.4}_{-5.3}(\text{stat})^{+4.1}_{-3.9}(\text{syst}) \, \text{fb} \qquad \sigma^{ggH}_{\text{fid},1j} = 8.3^{+3.1}_{-3.0}(\text{stat})^{+3.7}_{-3.5}(\text{syst}) \, \text{fb}$$
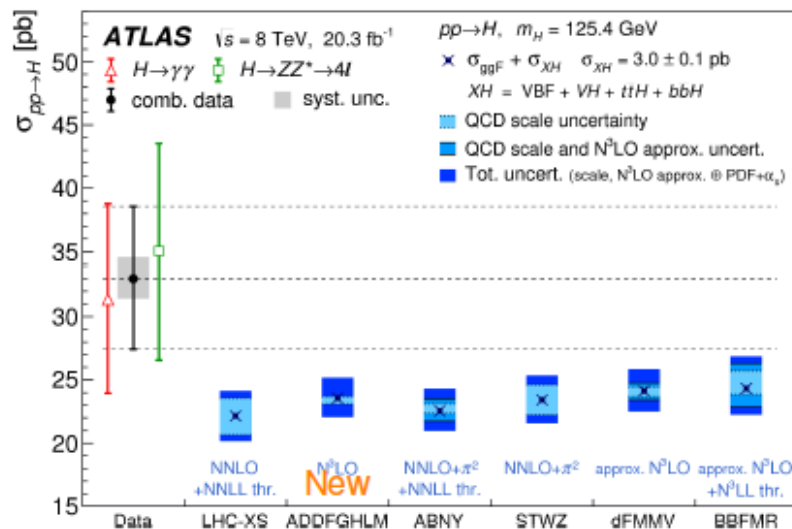
$$\sigma^{ggH,\text{SM}}_{\text{fid},0j} = 19.9 \pm 3.3 \, \text{fb} \qquad\qquad\qquad \sigma^{ggH,\text{SM}}_{\text{fid},1j} = 7.3 \pm 1.8 \, \text{fb}$$
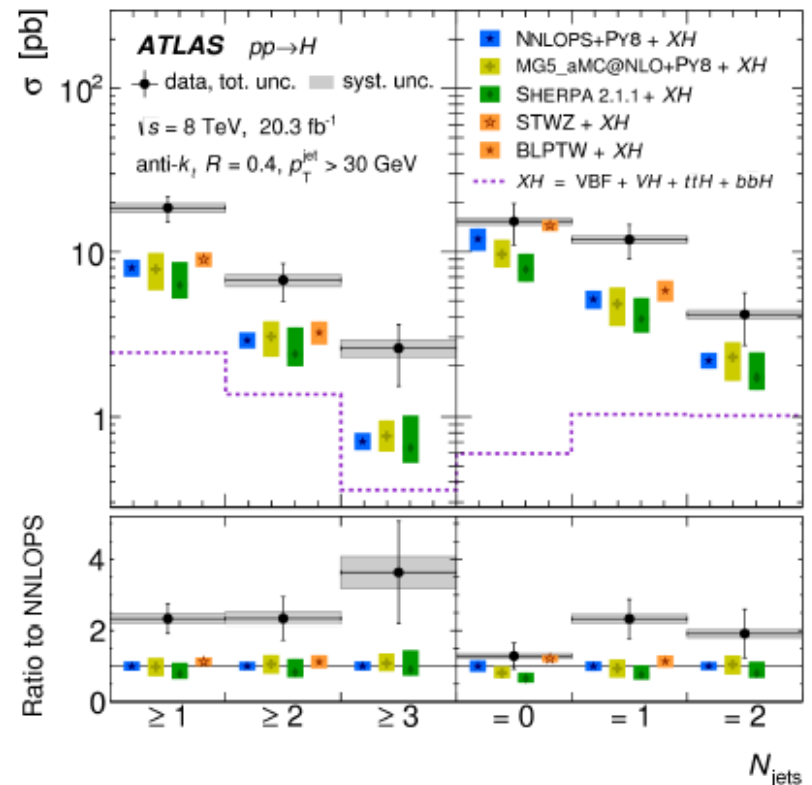
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Cross sections: combination.

- Sacrifice some model independence for combining $H \to \gamma\gamma$ and $H \to 4\ell$ to gain statistical power
  - ★ Extrapolate to full photon and lepton phase space
    - ► Fiducial acceptance of $60\pm1\%$ ($H \to \gamma\gamma$) and $47\pm1\%$ ($H \to 4\ell$)
  - ★ Assume SM branching fractions
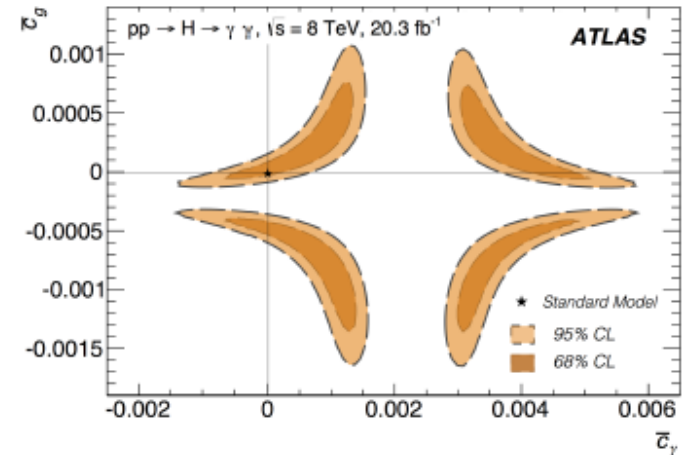

p-values 5.5% (LHC-XS) and 9% (ADDFGHLM)

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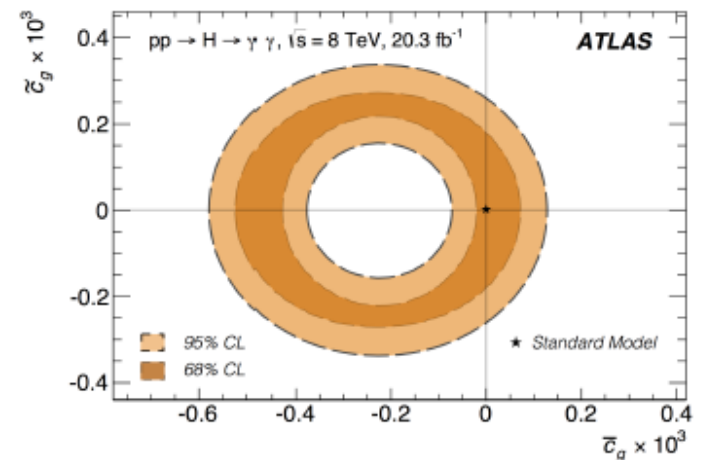## Cross sections: ATLAS $H \to \gamma\gamma$ interpretation.

- Probe tensor structure and Higgs interactions
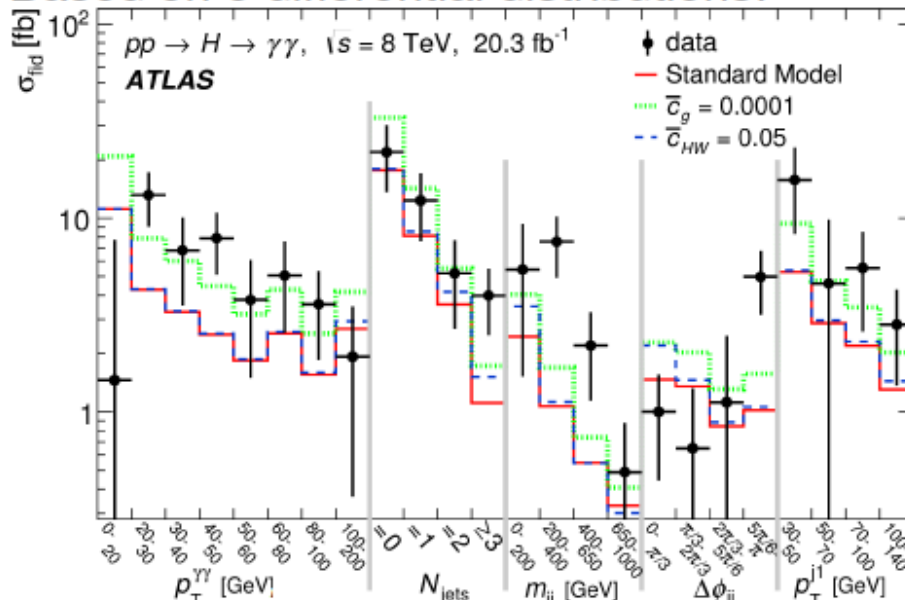- Non-SM terms in effective Lagrangian describing Higgs–gauge boson interactions

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{c}_\gamma O_\gamma + \bar{c}_g O_g + \bar{c}_{HW} O_{HW} + \bar{c}_{HB} O$$
$$+ \tilde{c}_\gamma \tilde{O}_\gamma + \tilde{c}_g \tilde{O}_g + \tilde{c}_{HW} \tilde{O}_{HW} + \tilde{c}_{HB} \tilde{O}$$

[arXiv:1508.02507 [hep-ex]]

Based on 5 differential distributions:

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Mainly ggF

Decay / Production	Untagged	VBF	VH	ttH
H→γγ	🟩	🟩	🟩	🟩
H→ZZ→4l	🟩	🟩	🟩	🟩
H→WW→2l2ν	🟩	🟩	🟩	🟩
H→ττ	🟩	🟩	🟩	🟩
H→bb			🟩	🟩
H→μμ	🟩	🟩		

🟩	Combined

- **Other production channels such as bbH, gg to ZH, tH are included resp. in ggF, ZH and ttH since they are not accessible as specific channels (nor will they be in run 2)**
- **With much larger statistics, it would be interesting to measure specifically the signal strength or effective coupling squared for any of the above i to H to f processes, where i denotes the production and f denotes the decay**

Coupling measurements: how is this done?

- Many different final discriminant distributions combined
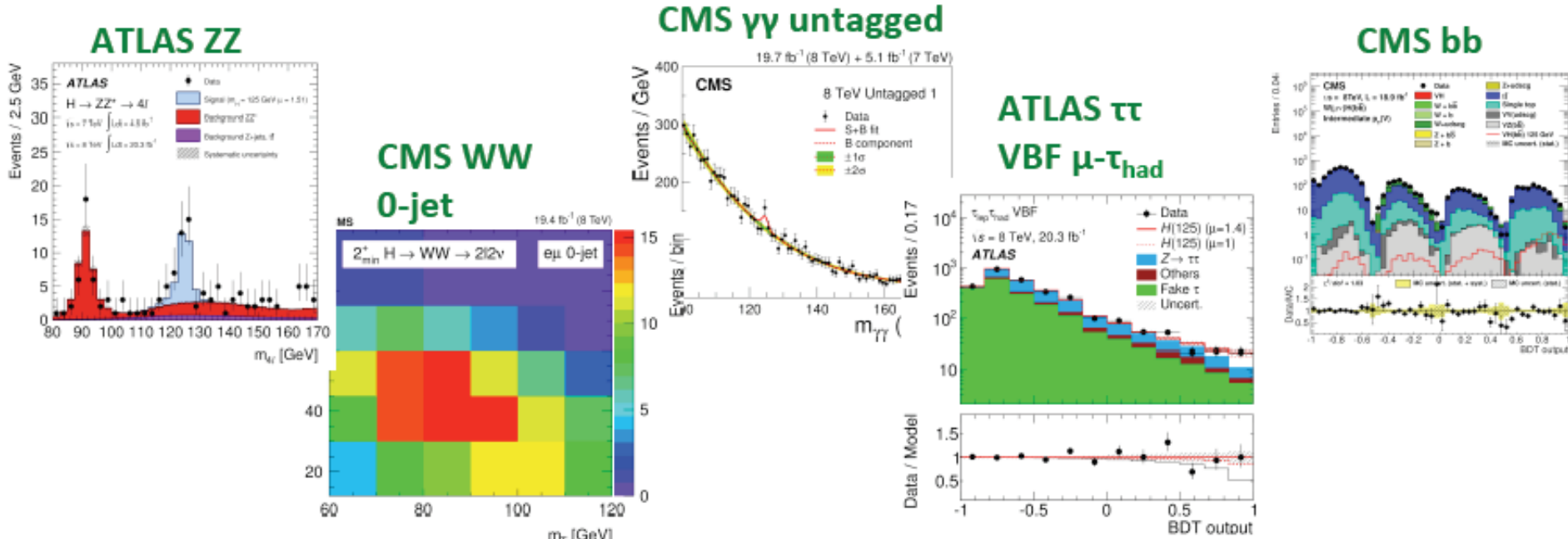
ATLAS ZZ

CMS WW 0-jet

CMS γγ untagged

ATLAS ττ VBF μ-τ$_{had}$

CMS bb

- Purity varies between categories (especially for production modes)

- A total of O(100) categories for each experiment are combined

Signal yield

$$n_{\text{signal}}(k) = \mathcal{L}(k) \times \sum_i \sum_f \left\{ \sigma_i \times A_i^f(k) \times \varepsilon_i^f(k) \times \text{BR}^f \right\},$$

$$= \mathcal{L}(k) \times \sum_i \sum_f \mu_i \mu^f \left\{ \sigma_i^{\text{SM}} \times A_i^f(k) \times \varepsilon_i^f(k) \times \text{BR}_{\text{SM}}^f \right\}$$

L: integrated luminosity,
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E: efficiency

Coupling measurements: how is this done?

Channel	References for individual publications		Signal strength [μ] from results in this paper (Section 5.2)		Signal significance [σ]	
	ATLAS	CMS	ATLAS	CMS	ATLAS	CMS
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	[51]	[52]	$1.15^{+0.27}_{-0.25}$ $\left(^{+0.26}_{-0.24}\right)$	$1.12^{+0.25}_{-0.23}$ $\left(^{+0.24}_{-0.22}\right)$	5.0 (4.6)	5.6 (5.1)
$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$	[53]	[54]	$1.51^{+0.39}_{-0.34}$ $\left(^{+0.33}_{-0.27}\right)$	$1.05^{+0.32}_{-0.27}$ $\left(^{+0.31}_{-0.26}\right)$	6.6 (5.5)	7.0 (6.8)
$H \rightarrow WW$	[55, 56]	[57]	$1.23^{+0.23}_{-0.21}$ $\left(^{+0.21}_{-0.20}\right)$	$0.91^{+0.24}_{-0.21}$ $\left(^{+0.23}_{-0.20}\right)$	6.8 (5.8)	4.8 (5.6)
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	[58]	[59]	$1.41^{+0.40}_{-0.35}$ $\left(^{+0.37}_{-0.33}\right)$	$0.89^{+0.31}_{-0.28}$ $\left(^{+0.31}_{-0.29}\right)$	4.4 (3.3)	3.4 (3.7)
$H \rightarrow bb$	[38]	[39]	$0.62^{+0.37}_{-0.36}$ $\left(^{+0.39}_{-0.37}\right)$	$0.81^{+0.45}_{-0.42}$ $\left(^{+0.45}_{-0.43}\right)$	1.7 (2.7)	2.0 (2.5)
$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$	[60]	[61]	-0.7 ± 3.6 (± 3.6)	0.8 ± 3.5 (± 3.5)		
ttH production	[28, 62, 63]	[65]	$1.9^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$ $\left(^{+0.72}_{-0.66}\right)$	$2.9^{+1.0}_{-0.9}$ $\left(^{+0.88}_{-0.80}\right)$	2.7 (1.6)	3.6 (1.3)

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- **Cannot measure σ_i, BR^f or μ_i, μ_f at the same time, need to measure ratios or make additional assumptions**
- **Measuring ratios is done through a generic parameterisation of the above yields or of σ_i x BR^f, such that there is no dependence on the inclusive theory cross section uncertainties (signal strength measurements) or such that one tests directly for deviations of the couplings of the Higgs boson from their SM values (κ framework)**
- **Additional assumptions in the narrow-width approximation allow measurements of production or decay signal strengths**
- **Additional assumptions about BSM physics (for example BR_BSM = 0) allow measurements of absolute coupling strengths**

$$\Gamma_H = \frac{\kappa_H^2 \cdot \Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}}{1 - \text{BR}_{\text{BSM}}},$$

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$\sigma(ggF)$	✓	$b - t$	$\kappa_g^2 \sim$	$1.06 \cdot \kappa_t^2 + 0.01 \cdot \kappa_b^2 - 0.07 \cdot \kappa_t \kappa_b$
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$\sigma(gb \to WtH)$	–	$W - t$	$\sim$	$1.84 \cdot \kappa_t^2 + 1.57 \cdot \kappa_W^2 - 2.41 \cdot \kappa_t \kappa_W$
$\sigma(qb \to tHq)$	–	$W - t$	$\sim$	$3.4 \cdot \kappa_t^2 + 3.56 \cdot \kappa_W^2 - 5.96 \cdot \kappa_t \kappa_W$
$\sigma(bbH)$	–	–	$\sim$	κ_b^2
Partial decay width				
Γ^{ZZ}	–	–	$\sim$	κ_Z^2
Γ^{WW}	–	–	$\sim$	κ_W^2
$\Gamma^{\gamma\gamma}$	✓	$W - t$	$\kappa_\gamma^2 \sim$	$1.59 \cdot \kappa_W^2 + 0.07 \cdot \kappa_t^2 - 0.66 \cdot \kappa_W \kappa_t$
$\Gamma^{\tau\tau}$	–	–	$\sim$	κ_τ^2
Γ^{bb}	–	–	$\sim$	κ_b^2
$\Gamma^{\mu\mu}$	–	–	$\sim$	κ_μ^2
Total width for $BR_{BSM} = 0$				
Γ_H	✓	–	$\kappa_H^2 \sim$	$0.57 \cdot \kappa_b^2 + 0.22 \cdot \kappa_W^2 + 0.09 \cdot \kappa_g^2 +$ $+ 0.06 \cdot \kappa_\tau^2 + 0.03 \cdot \kappa_Z^2 + 0.03 \cdot \kappa_c^2 +$ $+ 0.0023 \cdot \kappa_\gamma^2 + 0.0016 \cdot \kappa_{Z\gamma}^2 +$ $+ 0.0001 \cdot \kappa_s^2 + 0.00022 \cdot \kappa_\mu^2$

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$\Gamma^{\mu\mu}$	–	–	$\sim$	κ_μ^2

- **The numerical factors depend on m_H but not only! They account for state-of-the-art QCD and EW corrections, so eg gg fusion and H to gg decay will not have the same expression exactly. Worse, the factors depend on kinematics!!**
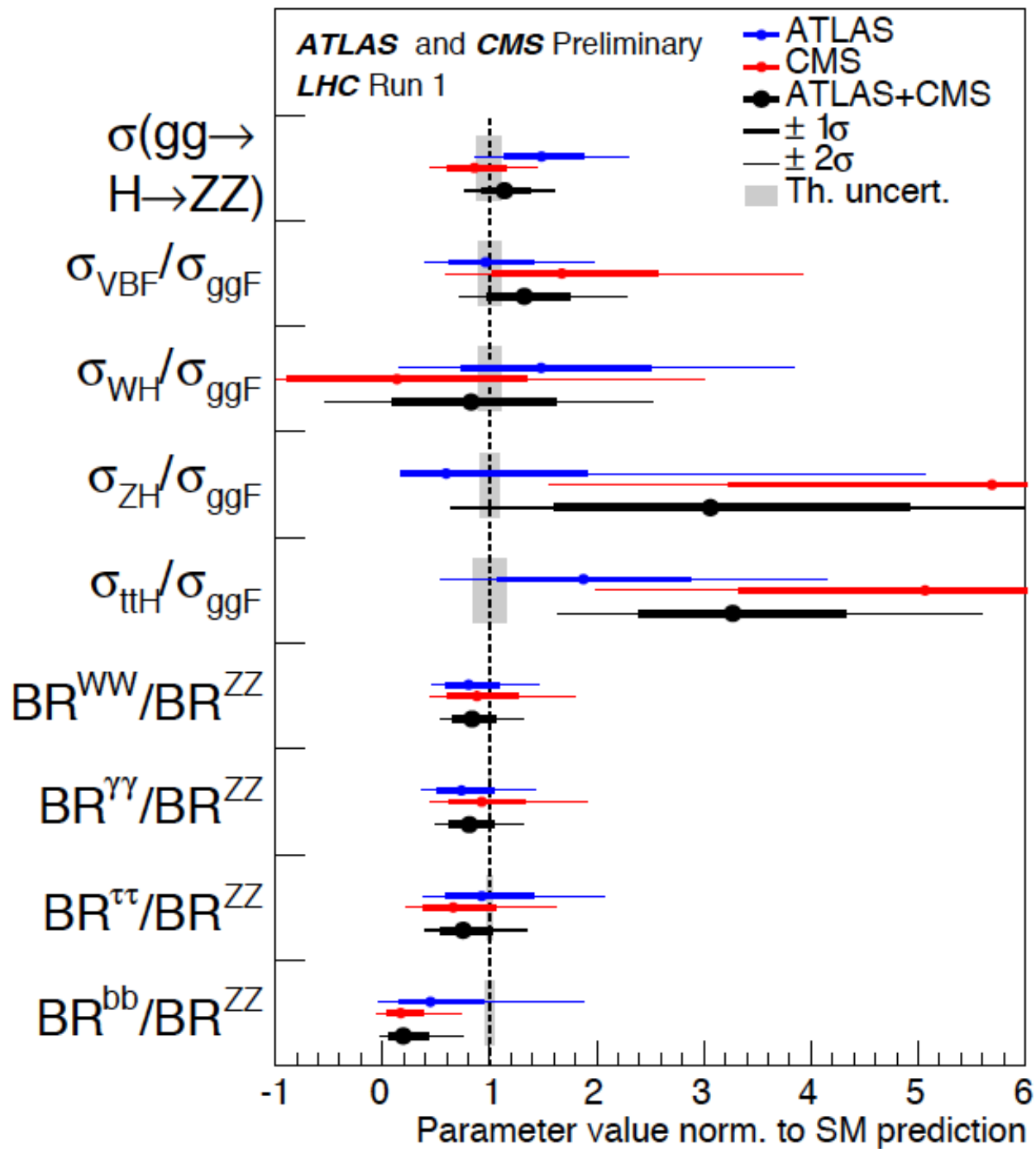
Coupling measurements: how is this done?

The product of the cross section and the branching ratio of $i \rightarrow H \rightarrow f$ can then be expressed using the ratios as:

$$\sigma_i \cdot BR^f = \sigma(gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ) \times \left(\frac{\sigma_i}{\sigma_{ggF}}\right) \times \left(\frac{BR^f}{BR^{ZZ}}\right), \qquad (10)$$

where $\sigma(gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ) = \sigma_{ggF} \cdot BR^{ZZ}$ under the narrow width approximation. With $\sigma(gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ)$ constraining the normalisation, the ratios in Eq. 10 can be determined separately, based on the five production processes (ggF, VBF, WH, ZH and ttH) and five decay modes ($H \rightarrow ZZ$, $H \rightarrow WW$, $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ and $H \rightarrow bb$). The combined fit results can be presented as a function of nine parameters of interest: one reference cross section times branching ratio, $\sigma(gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ)$, four ratios of production cross sections, σ_i/σ_{ggF} and four ratios of branching ratios, BR^f/BR^{ZZ} as shown in Table 6.

- **The equation above is free of any theory uncertainties on the inclusive cross sections. However, the yields in each channel assume the SM Higgs boson production and decay kinematics and are subject to theory uncertainties (QCD scales, PDFs, jet binning, parton shower, underlying event).**
- **Note that in this parameterisation, as in all signal strength parameterisations, the assumptions for the unaccessible decay channels are different from the ones in the κ framework.**
- **Here H to cc and H to gg are included in H to bb.**
  And H to Zγ is included in H to γγ.
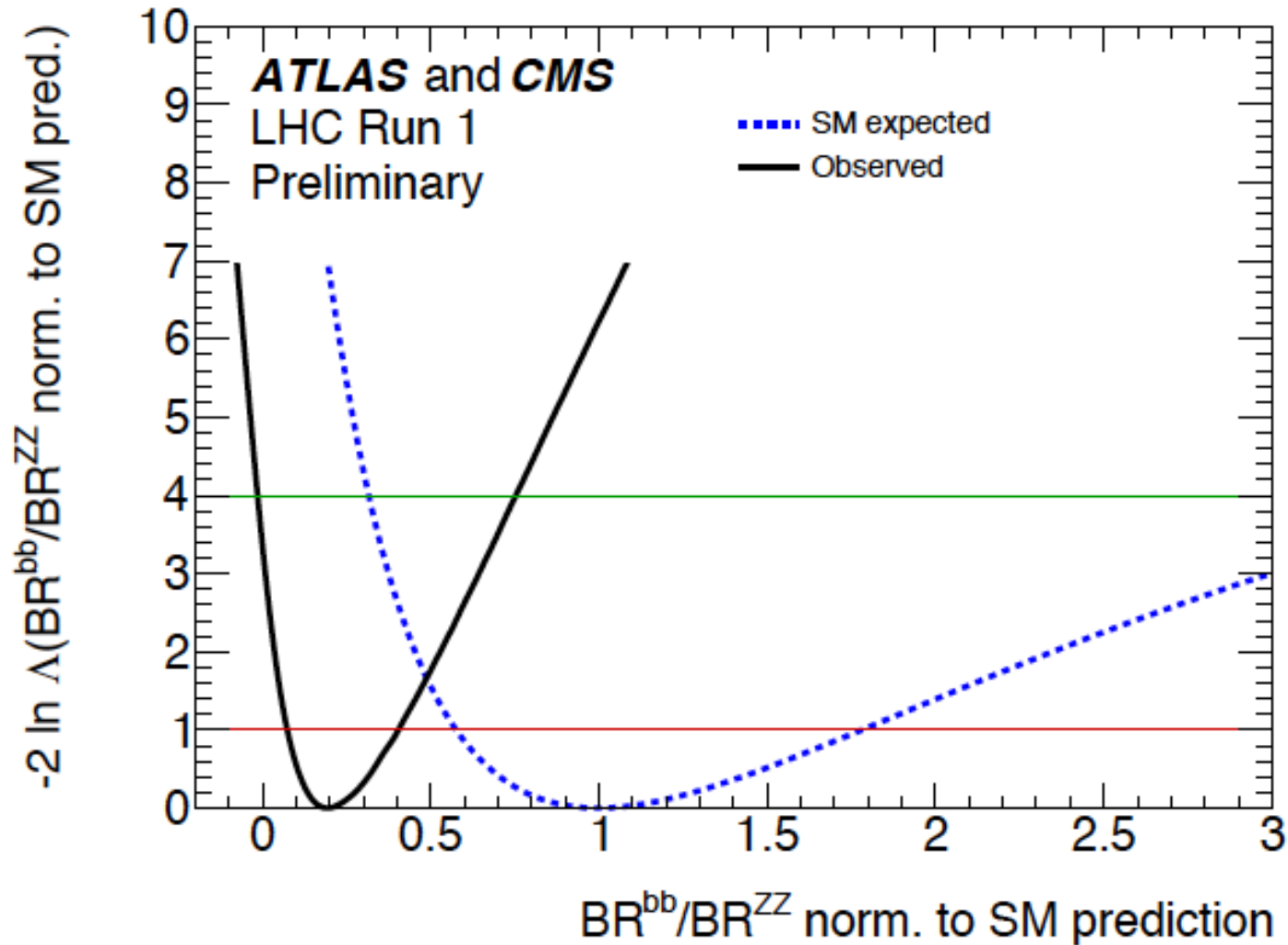
Coupling measurements: how is this done?

Parameter	SM prediction	ATLAS+CMS Best-fit value	ATLAS+CMS Uncertainty Stat	ATLAS+CMS Uncertainty Syst	ATLAS Best-fit value	ATLAS Uncertainty Stat	ATLAS Uncertainty Syst	CMS Best-fit value	CMS Uncertainty Stat	CMS Uncertainty Syst
$\sigma(gg \to H \to ZZ)$ (pb)	0.513 ± 0.057	$0.58\,^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$ ($^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$)	$^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$ ($^{+0.11}_{-0.09}$)	$^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$ ($^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$)	$0.76\,^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$ ($^{+0.16}_{-0.14}$)	$^{+0.19}_{-0.16}$ ($^{+0.16}_{-0.13}$)	$^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$ ($^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$)	$0.44\,^{+0.14}_{-0.11}$ ($^{+0.15}_{-0.13}$)	$^{+0.13}_{-0.11}$ ($^{+0.15}_{-0.13}$)	$^{+0.05}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$)
$\sigma_{VBF}/\sigma_{ggF}$	0.082 ± 0.009	$0.11\,^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$)	$^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$)	$^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)	$0.08\,^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$)	$^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$ ($^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$)	$^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)	$0.14\,^{+0.07}_{-0.05}$ ($^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$)	$^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$ ($^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$)	$^{+0.04}_{-0.02}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)
σ_{WH}/σ_{ggF}	0.037 ± 0.004	$0.03\,^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$)	$^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$)	$^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$ ($^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$)	$0.05\,^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$)	$^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$ ($^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$)	$^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)	$0.01\,^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$ ($^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$)	$^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$)	$^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)
σ_{ZH}/σ_{ggF}	0.022 ± 0.002	$0.07\,^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)	$^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$)	$^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$ ($^{+0.01}_{-0.00}$)	$0.01\,^{+0.03}_{-0.01}$ ($^{+0.03}_{-0.01}$)	$^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)	$^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$ ($^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$)	$0.13\,^{+0.08}_{-0.05}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)	$^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$ ($^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$)	$^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$ ($^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$)
$\sigma_{ttH}/\sigma_{ggF}$	0.0067 ± 0.0010	$0.022\,^{+0.007}_{-0.006}$ ($^{+0.004}_{-0.004}$)	$^{+0.005}_{-0.005}$ ($^{+0.003}_{-0.003}$)	$^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$ ($^{+0.003}_{-0.002}$)	$0.013\,^{+0.007}_{-0.005}$ ($^{+0.006}_{-0.004}$)	$^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$ ($^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$)	$^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$ ($^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$)	$0.034\,^{+0.016}_{-0.012}$ ($^{+0.007}_{-0.005}$)	$^{+0.012}_{-0.010}$ ($^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$)	$^{+0.010}_{-0.006}$ ($^{+0.004}_{-0.004}$)
BR^{WW}/BR^{ZZ}	$8.10 \pm < 0.01$	$6.8\,^{+1.7}_{-1.3}$ ($^{+2.2}_{-1.7}$)	$^{+1.5}_{-1.2}$ ($^{+2.0}_{-1.6}$)	$^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$ ($^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$)	$6.5\,^{+2.2}_{-1.6}$ ($^{+3.5}_{-2.4}$)	$^{+2.0}_{-1.5}$ ($^{+3.3}_{-2.2}$)	$^{+0.9}_{-0.6}$ ($^{+1.3}_{-0.9}$)	$7.2\,^{+2.9}_{-2.1}$ ($^{+3.2}_{-2.2}$)	$^{+2.6}_{-1.8}$ ($^{+2.9}_{-2.0}$)	$^{+1.3}_{-0.9}$ ($^{+1.4}_{-1.0}$)
$BR^{\gamma\gamma}/BR^{ZZ}$	0.085 ± 0.001	$0.069\,^{+0.018}_{-0.015}$ ($^{+0.025}_{-0.019}$)	$^{+0.018}_{-0.014}$ ($^{+0.024}_{-0.019}$)	$^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$ ($^{+0.006}_{-0.004}$)	$0.063\,^{+0.024}_{-0.018}$ ($^{+0.040}_{-0.027}$)	$^{+0.023}_{-0.017}$ ($^{+0.039}_{-0.027}$)	$^{+0.008}_{-0.005}$ ($^{+0.011}_{-0.006}$)	$0.079\,^{+0.033}_{-0.023}$ ($^{+0.035}_{-0.025}$)	$^{+0.032}_{-0.023}$ ($^{+0.034}_{-0.024}$)	$^{+0.010}_{-0.006}$ ($^{+0.008}_{-0.005}$)
$BR^{\tau\tau}/BR^{ZZ}$	2.36 ± 0.05	$1.8\,^{+0.6}_{-0.5}$ ($^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$)	$^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$ ($^{+0.8}_{-0.6}$)	$^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$ ($^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$)	$2.2\,^{+1.1}_{-0.8}$ ($^{+1.5}_{-1.0}$)	$^{+0.9}_{-0.6}$ ($^{+1.3}_{-0.9}$)	$^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$ ($^{+0.8}_{-0.5}$)	$1.6\,^{+0.9}_{-0.6}$ ($^{+1.2}_{-0.9}$)	$^{+0.8}_{-0.5}$ ($^{+1.0}_{-0.7}$)	$^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$ ($^{+0.7}_{-0.4}$)
BR^{bb}/BR^{ZZ}	21.6 ± 1.0	$4.2\,^{+4.6}_{-2.6}$ ($^{+16.9}_{-9.1}$)	$^{+2.8}_{-2.0}$ ($^{+13.9}_{-7.9}$)	$^{+3.6}_{-1.7}$ ($^{+9.5}_{-4.4}$)	$9.7\,^{+10.2}_{-5.8}$ ($^{+29.4}_{-11.8}$)	$^{+7.4}_{-4.4}$ ($^{+24.3}_{-10.5}$)	$^{+7.0}_{-3.8}$ ($^{+16.7}_{-5.4}$)	$3.7\,^{+4.1}_{-2.4}$ ($^{+29.4}_{-11.9}$)	$^{+3.1}_{-1.9}$ ($^{+23.4}_{-10.4}$)	$^{+2.7}_{-1.6}$ ($^{+17.7}_{-5.9}$)

Coupling measurements: how is this done?

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$\sigma_{\mathrm{VBF}}/\sigma_{\mathrm{ggF}}$	0.082 ± 0.009	$0.11\,{}^{+0.03}_{-0.03}\,\left({}^{+0.03}_{-0.02}\right)$	${}^{+0.03}_{-0.02}\,\left({}^{+0.02}_{-0.02}\right)$	${}^{+0.01}_{-0.01}\,\left({}^{+0.01}_{-0.01}\right)$	${}^{+0.01}_{-0.00}\,\left({}^{+0.00}_{-0.00}\right)$	${}^{+0.01}_{-0.01}\,\left({}^{+0.01}_{-0.01}\right)$
		ATLAS+CMS				
$\sigma(gg \to H \to WW)$ (pb)	4.15 ± 0.47	$3.97\,{}^{+0.63}_{-0.60}\,\left({}^{+0.65}_{-0.62}\right)$	${}^{+0.46}_{-0.45}\,\left({}^{+0.47}_{-0.46}\right)$	${}^{+0.32}_{-0.29}\,\left({}^{+0.33}_{-0.30}\right)$	${}^{+0.24}_{-0.23}\,\left({}^{+0.26}_{-0.25}\right)$	${}^{+0.16}_{-0.12}\,\left({}^{+0.16}_{-0.12}\right)$
$\sigma_{\mathrm{VBF}}/\sigma_{\mathrm{ggF}}$	0.082 ± 0.009	$0.11\,{}^{+0.03}_{-0.03}\,\left({}^{+0.03}_{-0.02}\right)$	${}^{+0.03}_{-0.02}\,\left({}^{+0.02}_{-0.02}\right)$	${}^{+0.01}_{-0.01}\,\left({}^{+0.01}_{-0.01}\right)$	${}^{+0.01}_{-0.00}\,\left({}^{+0.01}_{-0.00}\right)$	${}^{+0.01}_{-0.01}\,\left({}^{+0.01}_{-0.01}\right)$

- **Overall precision on H to WW is the best**

- **But systematic uncertainty is much smaller for H to ZZ**
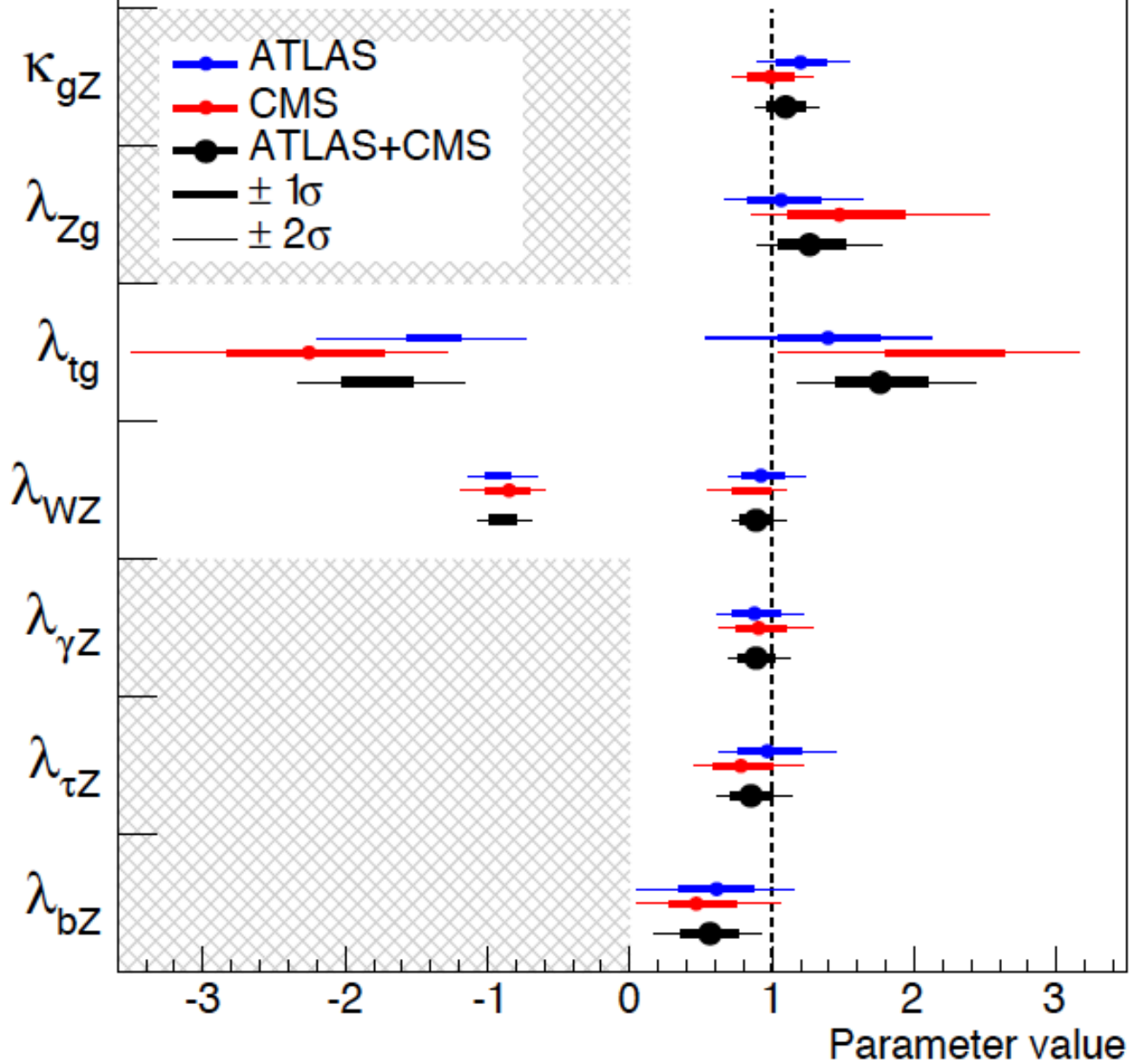
Coupling measurements: how is this done?

- In this parameterisation, the rather high values of σ_{ttH} and σ_{ZH} observed, especially by CMS, are not observed in H to bb decays, so BR^{bb} decreases
- This is much less the case when measuring μ^{bb} assuming SM for production

Coupling measurements: how is this done?

σ and BR ratio model	Coupling-strength ratio model	
$\sigma(gg \to H \to ZZ)$	$\kappa_{gZ} = \kappa_g \cdot \kappa_Z / \kappa_H$	In this parameterization BR^{ZZ}, BR^{WW}, σ_{WH}, σ_{WH} and σ_{VBF} are function of κ_Z and κ_W e.g. for example
$\sigma_{VBF}/\sigma_{ggF}$		
σ_{WH}/σ_{ggF}		
σ_{ZH}/σ_{ggF}	$\lambda_{Zg} = \kappa_Z / \kappa_g$	
$\sigma_{ttH}/\sigma_{ggF}$	$\lambda_{tg} = \kappa_t / \kappa_g$	
BR^{WW}/BR^{ZZ}	$\lambda_{WZ} = \kappa_W / \kappa_Z$	
$BR^{\gamma\gamma}/BR^{ZZ}$	$\lambda_{\gamma Z} = \kappa_\gamma / \kappa_Z$	$\sigma_{WH} / \sigma_{ggF} \sim (\lambda_{WZ}/\lambda_{zg})^2$
$BR^{\tau\tau}/BR^{ZZ}$	$\lambda_{\tau Z} = \kappa_\tau / \kappa_Z$	
BR^{bb}/BR^{ZZ}	$\lambda_{bZ} = \kappa_b / \kappa_Z$	

- **In the κ framework, H to ZZ was chosen as a reference a long time ago (before data-taking).**
- **The relationships between the two parameterisations can be seen in the table above.**
- **The two are not equivalent, however, because the additional assumptions concerning small channels are different,**
  namely in the κ framework $\kappa_c = \kappa_t$, $\kappa_\mu = \kappa_\tau$, and $\kappa_s = \kappa_b$

Parameter	Best-fit value	Uncertainty Stat	Syst	Best-fit value	Uncertainty Stat	Syst	Best-fit value	Uncertainty Stat	Syst
	ATLAS+CMS			ATLAS			CMS		
$\kappa_{gZ} = \kappa_g \cdot \kappa_Z / \kappa_H$	$1.10^{+0.11}_{-0.11}$ $\left(^{+0.11}_{-0.11}\right)$	$^{+0.09}_{-0.09}$ $\left(^{+0.09}_{-0.09}\right)$	$^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$ $\left(^{+0.06}_{-0.05}\right)$	$1.20^{+0.16}_{-0.15}$ $\left(^{+0.16}_{-0.15}\right)$	$^{+0.14}_{-0.14}$ $\left(^{+0.14}_{-0.13}\right)$	$^{+0.08}_{-0.06}$ $\left(^{+0.07}_{-0.06}\right)$	$0.99^{+0.14}_{-0.13}$ $\left(^{+0.15}_{-0.14}\right)$	$^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$ $\left(^{+0.13}_{-0.12}\right)$	$^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$ $\left(^{+0.07}_{-0.06}\right)$
$\lambda_{Zg} = \kappa_Z / \kappa_g$	$1.26^{+0.23}_{-0.19}$ $\left(^{+0.20}_{-0.17}\right)$	$^{+0.18}_{-0.16}$ $\left(^{+0.15}_{-0.14}\right)$	$^{+0.15}_{-0.12}$ $\left(^{+0.12}_{-0.10}\right)$	$1.06^{+0.26}_{-0.21}$ $\left(^{+0.28}_{-0.23}\right)$	$^{+0.21}_{-0.18}$ $\left(^{+0.23}_{-0.20}\right)$	$^{+0.14}_{-0.11}$ $\left(^{+0.16}_{-0.11}\right)$	$1.47^{+0.44}_{-0.34}$ $\left(^{+0.27}_{-0.23}\right)$	$^{+0.34}_{-0.28}$ $\left(^{+0.22}_{-0.19}\right)$	$^{+0.29}_{-0.19}$ $\left(^{+0.17}_{-0.12}\right)$
$\lambda_{tg} = \kappa_t / \kappa_g$	$1.76^{+0.32}_{-0.29}$ $\left(^{+0.29}_{-0.39}\right)$	$^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$ $\left(^{+0.20}_{-0.21}\right)$	$^{+0.23}_{-0.20}$ $\left(^{+0.21}_{-0.24}\right)$	$1.39^{+0.34}_{-0.33}$ $\left(^{+0.38}_{-0.54}\right)$	$^{+0.25}_{-0.24}$ $\left(^{+0.28}_{-0.28}\right)$	$^{+0.23}_{-0.22}$ $\left(^{+0.26}_{-0.33}\right)$	$-2.25^{+0.51}_{-0.55}$ $\left(^{+0.42}_{-0.64}\right)$	$^{+0.39}_{-0.36}$ $\left(^{+0.31}_{-0.33}\right)$	$^{+0.39}_{-0.30}$ $\left(^{+0.29}_{-0.46}\right)$
$\lambda_{WZ} = \kappa_W / \kappa_Z$	$0.89^{+0.10}_{-0.09}$ $\left(^{+0.12}_{-0.10}\right)$	$^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$ $\left(^{+0.11}_{-0.09}\right)$	$^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$ $\left(^{+0.05}_{-0.04}\right)$	$0.92^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$ $\left(^{+0.18}_{-0.15}\right)$	$^{+0.13}_{-0.11}$ $\left(^{+0.16}_{-0.13}\right)$	$^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$ $\left(^{+0.07}_{-0.06}\right)$	$-0.85^{+0.13}_{-0.15}$ $\left(^{+0.17}_{-0.14}\right)$	$^{+0.13}_{-0.11}$ $\left(^{+0.15}_{-0.13}\right)$	$^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$ $\left(^{+0.07}_{-0.07}\right)$
$\lambda_{\gamma Z} = \kappa_\gamma / \kappa_Z$	$0.89^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$ $\left(^{+0.13}_{-0.12}\right)$	$^{+0.11}_{-0.09}$ $\left(^{+0.13}_{-0.11}\right)$	$^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$ $\left(^{+0.04}_{-0.03}\right)$	$0.88^{+0.16}_{-0.14}$ $\left(^{+0.20}_{-0.17}\right)$	$^{+0.15}_{-0.13}$ $\left(^{+0.19}_{-0.17}\right)$	$^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$ $\left(^{+0.06}_{-0.04}\right)$	$0.91^{+0.17}_{-0.14}$ $\left(^{+0.18}_{-0.16}\right)$	$^{+0.16}_{-0.13}$ $\left(^{+0.17}_{-0.15}\right)$	$^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$ $\left(^{+0.05}_{-0.04}\right)$
$\lambda_{\tau Z} = \kappa_\tau / \kappa_Z$	$0.85^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$ $\left(^{+0.17}_{-0.15}\right)$	$^{+0.12}_{-0.10}$ $\left(^{+0.14}_{-0.13}\right)$	$^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$ $\left(^{+0.09}_{-0.08}\right)$	$0.97^{+0.22}_{-0.18}$ $\left(^{+0.27}_{-0.23}\right)$	$^{+0.18}_{-0.15}$ $\left(^{+0.23}_{-0.19}\right)$	$^{+0.11}_{-0.09}$ $\left(^{+0.14}_{-0.12}\right)$	$0.78^{+0.20}_{-0.17}$ $\left(^{+0.23}_{-0.20}\right)$	$^{+0.16}_{-0.15}$ $\left(^{+0.19}_{-0.17}\right)$	$^{+0.10}_{-0.08}$ $\left(^{+0.12}_{-0.11}\right)$
$\lambda_{bZ} = \kappa_b / \kappa_Z$	$0.56^{+0.18}_{-0.18}$ $\left(^{+0.25}_{-0.22}\right)$	$^{+0.12}_{-0.11}$ $\left(^{+0.21}_{-0.18}\right)$	$^{+0.10}_{-0.11}$ $\left(^{+0.14}_{-0.11}\right)$	$0.61^{+0.24}_{-0.24}$ $\left(^{+0.36}_{-0.29}\right)$	$^{+0.20}_{-0.18}$ $\left(^{+0.31}_{-0.24}\right)$	$^{+0.14}_{-0.15}$ $\left(^{+0.18}_{-0.14}\right)$	$0.47^{+0.26}_{-0.17}$ $\left(^{+0.38}_{-0.37}\right)$	$^{+0.17}_{-0.15}$ $\left(^{+0.32}_{-0.25}\right)$	$^{+0.15}_{-0.16}$ $\left(^{+0.20}_{-0.17}\right)$

- In these measurements, despite the ratios, the theory uncertainties on the inclusive cross sections are cannot be removed.
- Nevertheless, some ratios have small theory uncertainties, eg $\lambda_{\gamma Z}$ and λ_{WZ}

Coupling measurements: how is this done?
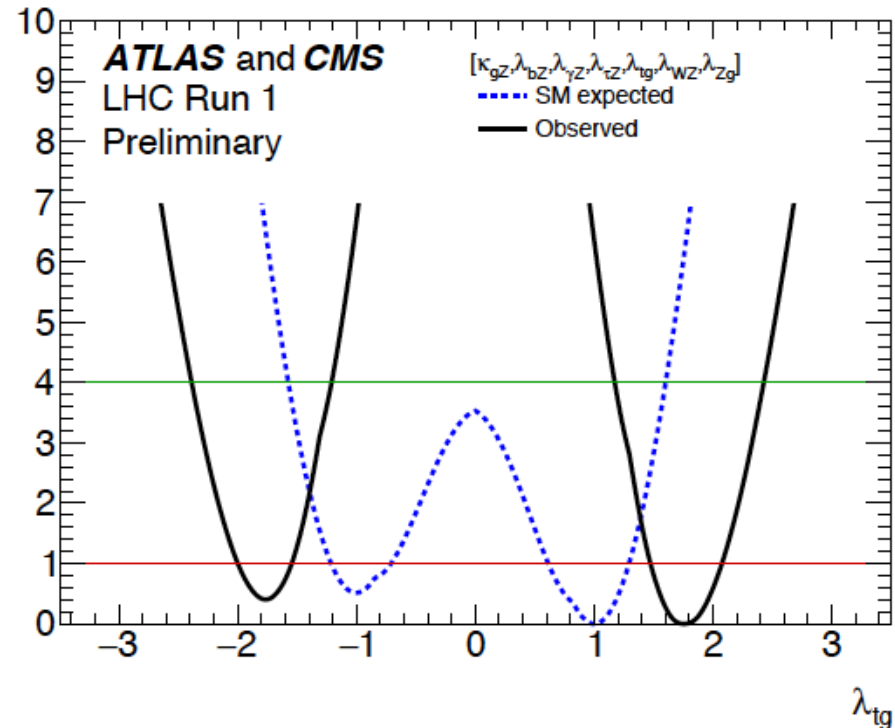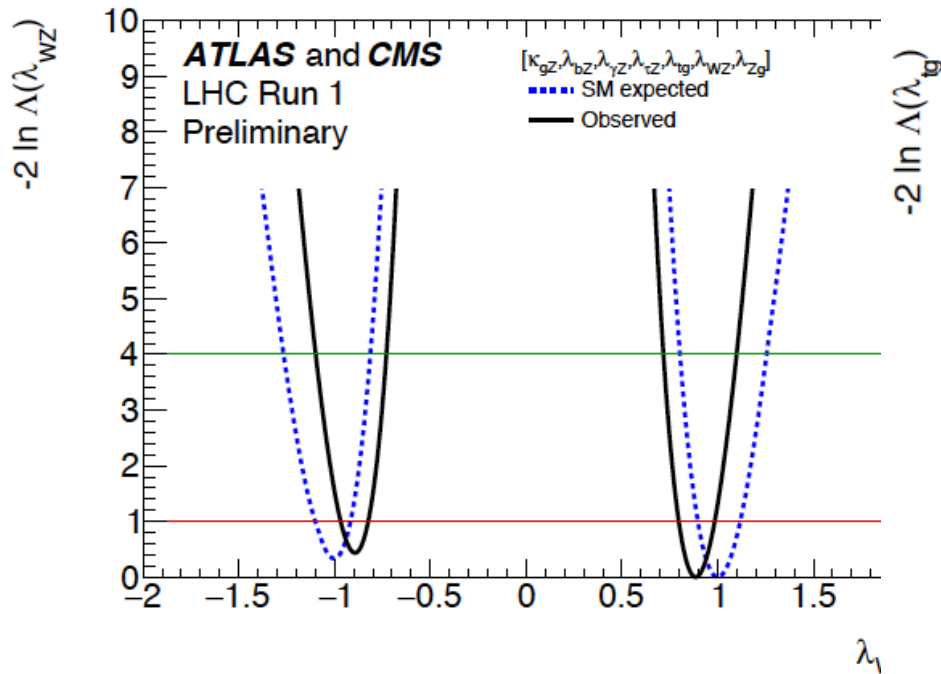
- **All parameters are allowed to have relative negative sign wrt each other in principle.**
- **Two can be tested currently since we have two processes involving interference effects which can be strong (gg to ZH and tH).**
- **As shown by the figures above, there is some sensitivity, but it is still marginal.**
- **This is similar to the better known κ_F vs κ_V plot**

Stronger assumptions on signal strength: assess compatibility of measurements with SM

- μ is the so called signal strength (μ=1 in the SM)

- $$\mu_i = \frac{\sigma_i}{\sigma_i^{SM}} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu^f = \frac{BR^f}{BR_{SM}^f} \qquad \mu_i^f \equiv \frac{\sigma_i \cdot BR^f}{(\sigma_i \cdot BR^f)_{SM}} = \mu_i \times \mu^f$$

- Most constrained parameterization: one single signal strength μ (and assuming the same at 7 and 8 TeV)

$$\mu = 1.09_{-0.10}^{+0.11} \quad = 1.09_{-0.07}^{+0.07} \text{ (stat)} \ _{-0.04}^{+0.04} \text{ (expt)} \ _{-0.03}^{+0.03} \text{ (thbgd)} _{-0.06}^{+0.07} \text{ (thsig)}$$

- Expected uncertainties very similar to observed

- Signal theory uncertainty due to QCD scale and PDF as large as statistical uncertainty. Being reduced from the theory side

Stronger assumptions on signal strength

SM p-value 25%
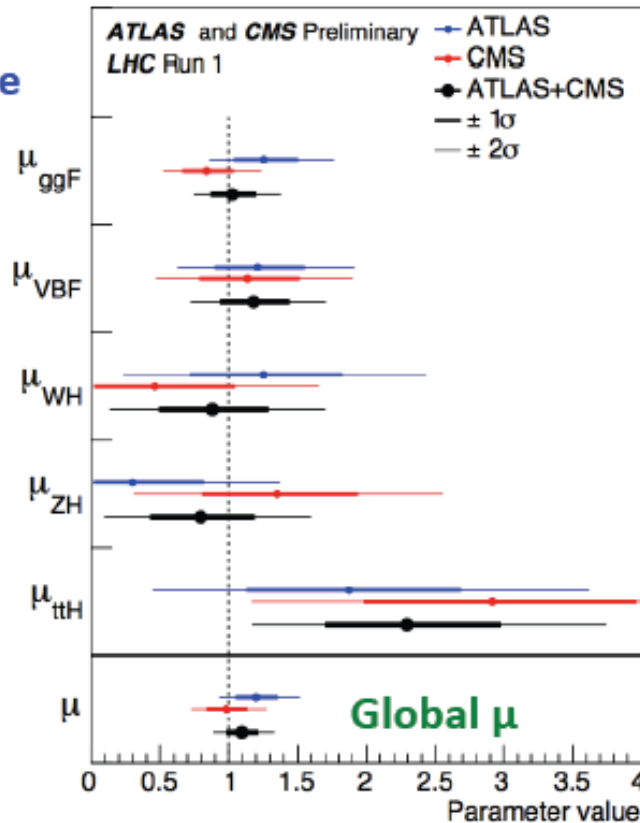
SM p-value 60%
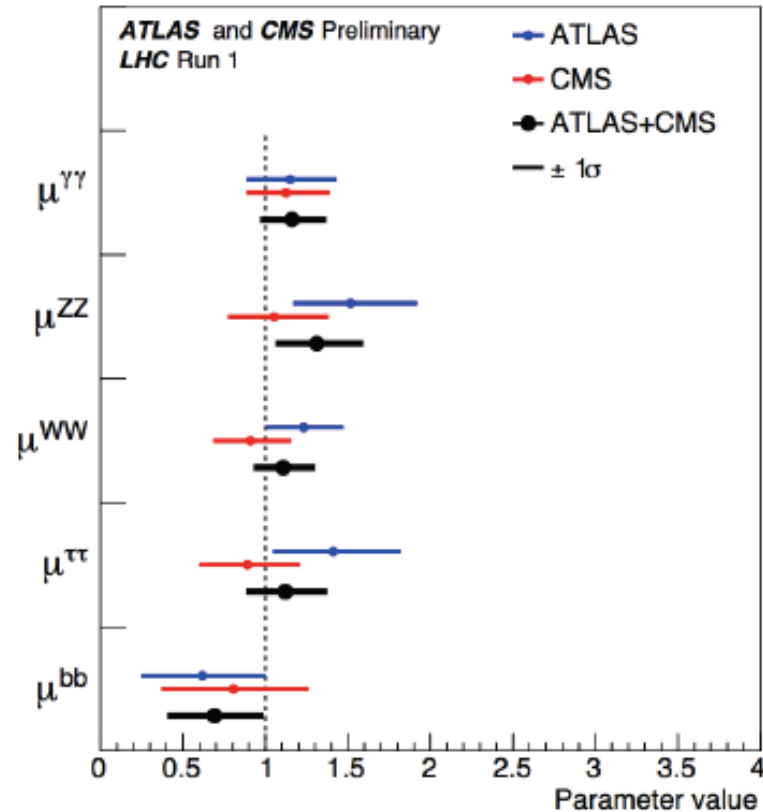
- Signal strengths in different channels are consistent with 1 (SM)
- Largest difference in ttH: 2.3σ excess with respect to SM

Stronger assumptions on signal strength

- Comparing likelihood of the best-fit with $\mu_{prod}=0$ and $\mu^{decay}=0$ we obtain:

Production process	Observed Significance(σ)	Expected Significance (σ)
VBF	**5.4**	**4.7**
WH	2.4	2.7
ZH	2.3	2.9
VH	3.5	4.2
ttH	4.4	2.0
Decay channel		
H→ττ	**5.5**	**5.0**
H→bb	2.6	3.7

- Combination largely increases the sensitivity

VBF and H→ττ now established at over 5 σ. Same as ggF and H→ZZ, γγ, WW from single experiments

Stronger assumptions on signal strength

- Can also fit μ_V^f vs μ_F^f per decay:
  - $\mu_V^f = \mu_{VBF+VH}^f$
  - $\mu_F^f = \mu_{ggF+ttH}^f$

- μ_V/μ_f can be measured in the different decay channels and combined:

$$\mu_V/\mu_f = 1.06 \, ^{+0.35}_{-0.27}$$

ATLAS and **CMS**
LHC Run 1
Preliminary

SM p-value
88%

★ SM — 68% CL
+ Best fit

H → γγ
H → ZZ
H → WW
H → ττ
H → bb
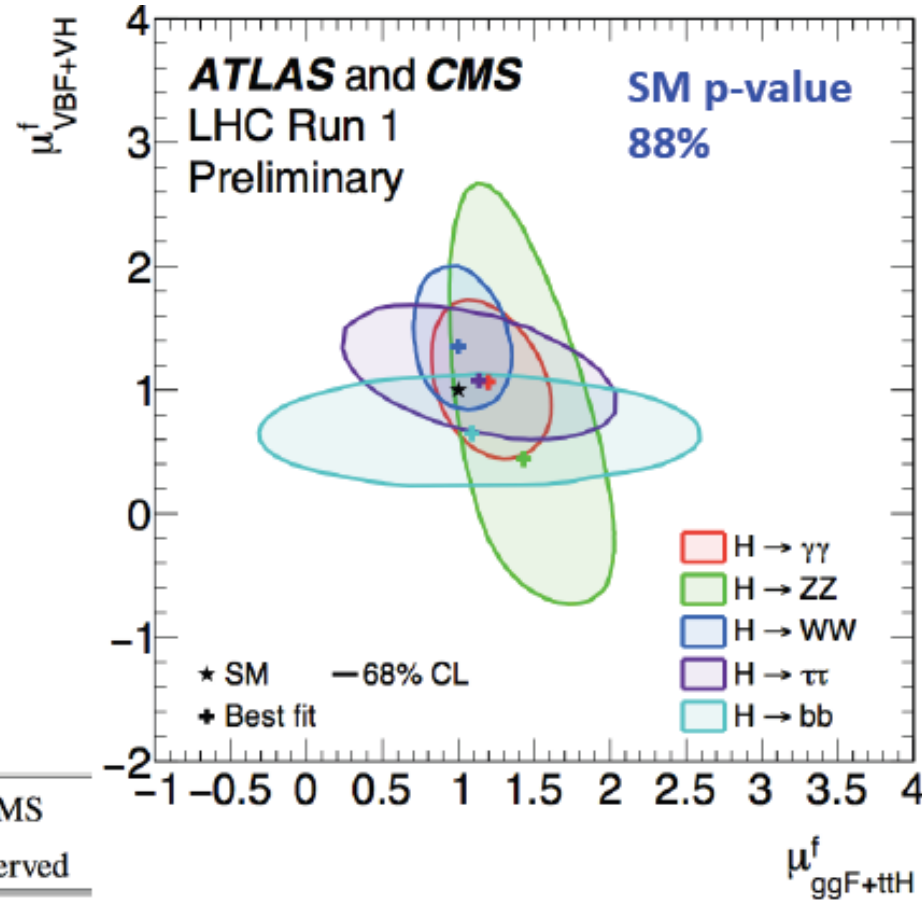
SM p-value
62%

Parameter	ATLAS+CMS	ATLAS+CMS	ATLAS	CMS
	observed	expected unc.	observed	observed
μ_V/μ_F	$1.06^{+0.35}_{-0.27}$	$^{+0.34}_{-0.26}$	$0.91^{+0.41}_{-0.30}$	$1.29^{+0.67}_{-0.46}$
$\mu_F^{\gamma\gamma}$	$1.13^{+0.24}_{-0.21}$	$^{+0.21}_{-0.19}$	$1.18^{+0.33}_{-0.29}$	$1.03^{+0.30}_{-0.26}$
μ_F^{ZZ}	$1.29^{+0.29}_{-0.25}$	$^{+0.24}_{-0.20}$	$1.54^{+0.44}_{-0.36}$	$1.00^{+0.33}_{-0.27}$
μ_F^{WW}	$1.08^{+0.22}_{-0.19}$	$^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$	$1.26^{+0.29}_{-0.25}$	$0.85^{+0.25}_{-0.22}$
$\mu_F^{\tau\tau}$	$1.07^{+0.35}_{-0.28}$	$^{+0.32}_{-0.27}$	$1.50^{+0.66}_{-0.49}$	$0.75^{+0.39}_{-0.29}$
$\mu_F^{b\bar{b}}$	$0.65^{+0.37}_{-0.28}$	$^{+0.45}_{-0.34}$	$0.67^{+0.58}_{-0.42}$	$0.64^{+0.54}_{-0.36}$

Stronger assumptions on κ coupling modifiers: test for presence of BSM physics in Higgs sector

- All vector and fermion couplings are scaled by κ_V and κ_F
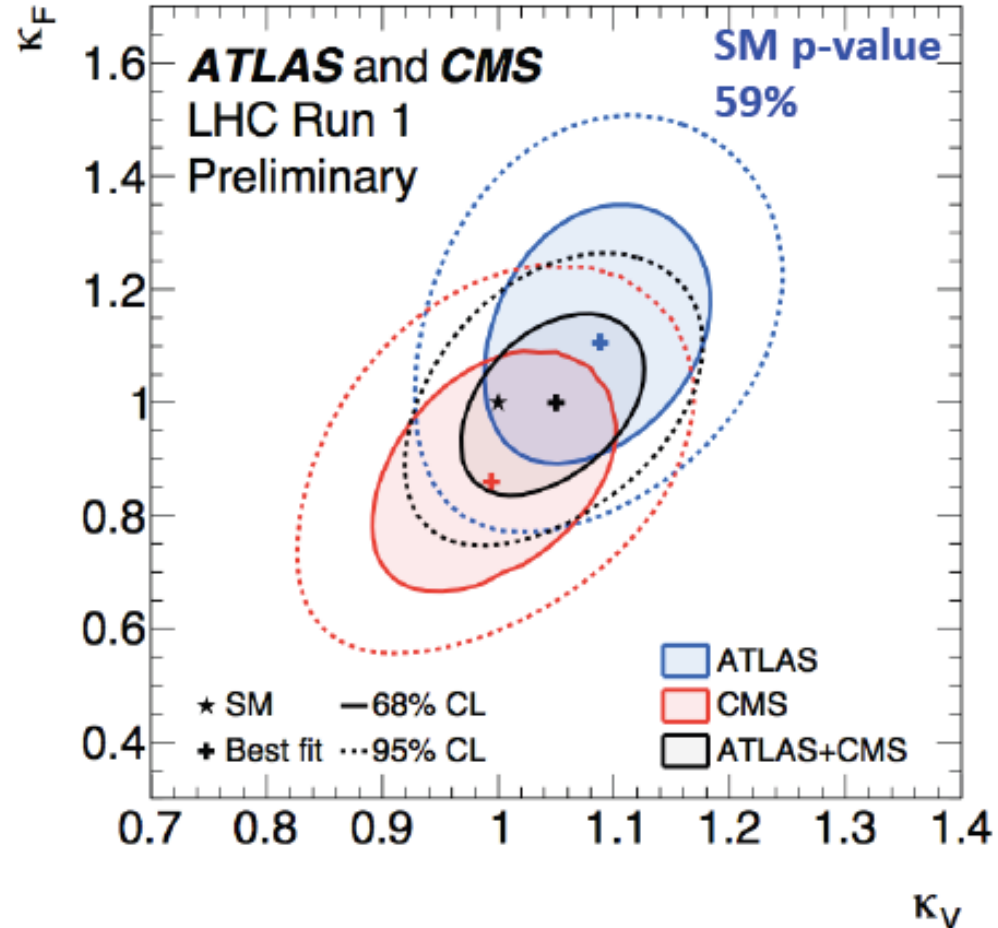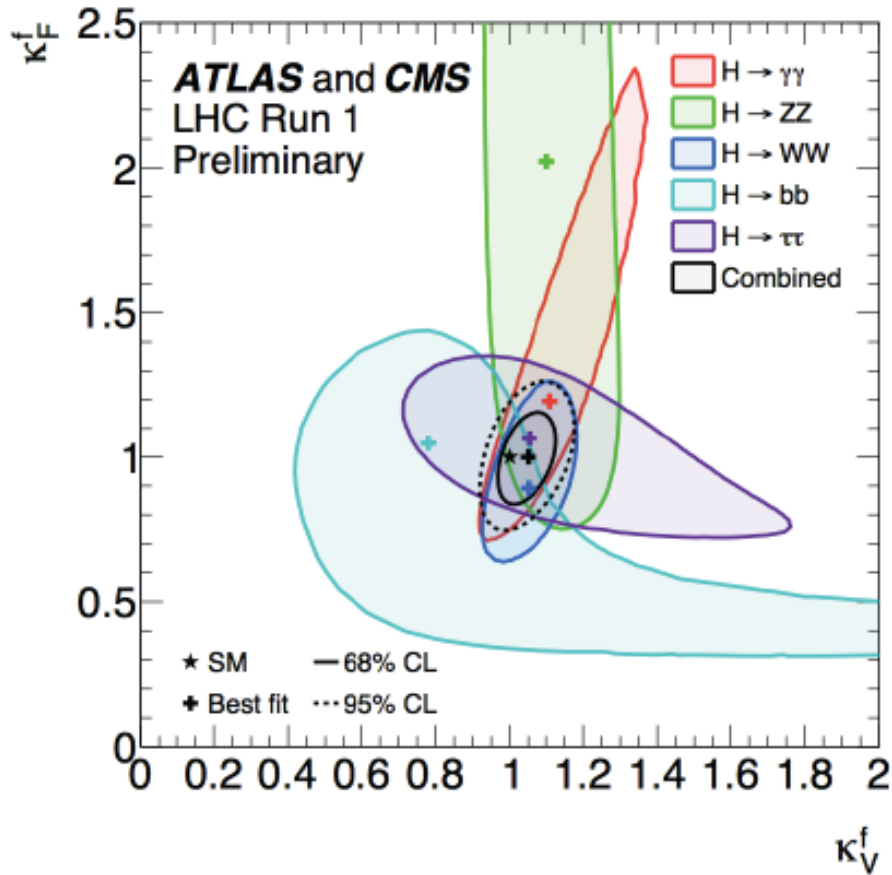
All results in agreement with SM ($\kappa_V = \kappa_f = 1$) within 1σ

Stronger assumptions on κ coupling modifiers

- Negative couplings would change sign of interference
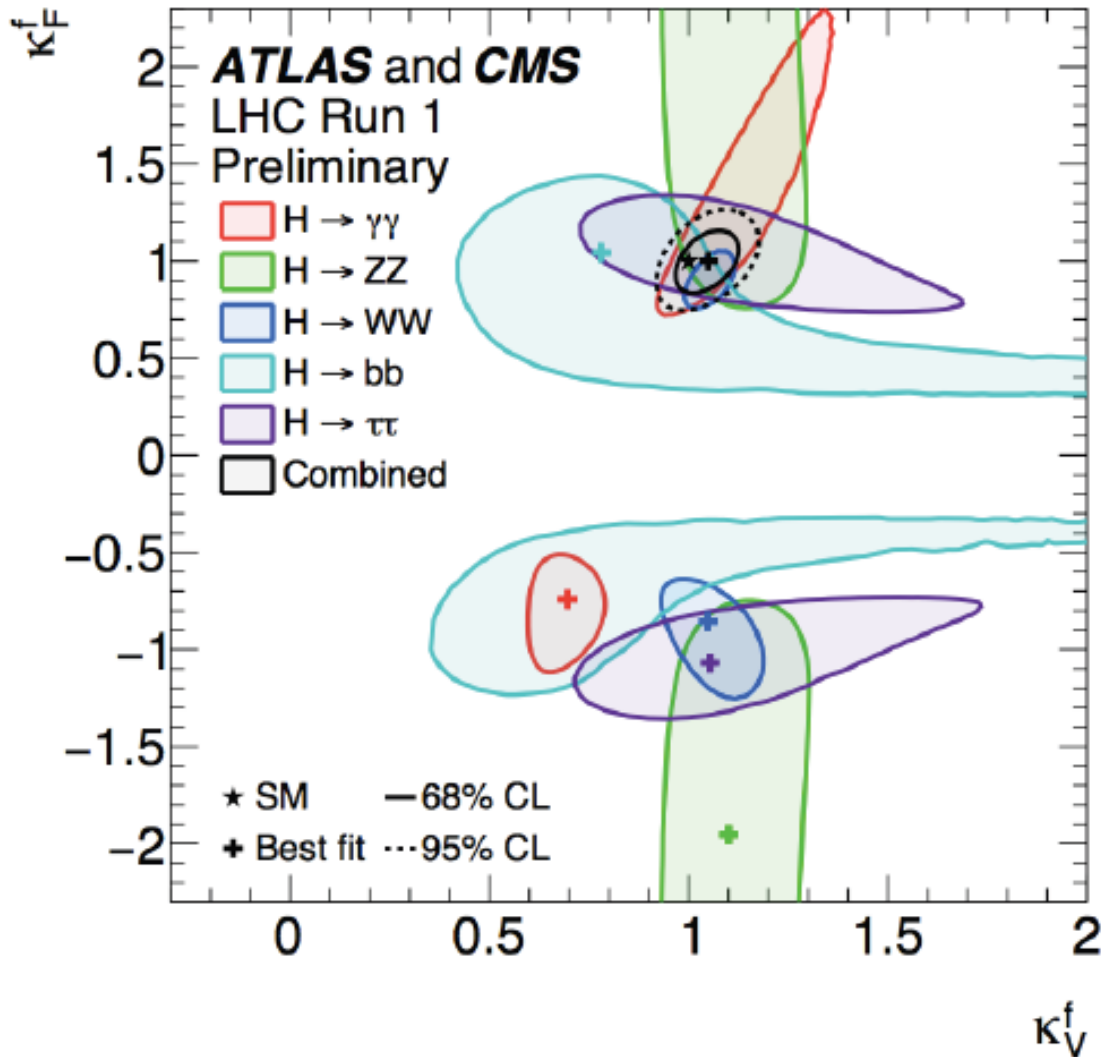
Almost 5σ exclusion of $\kappa_F < 0$

- The other two quadrants are symmetric with respect to (0,0), all physical quantities only depend on a product of two κ's

Stronger assumptions on κ coupling modifiers: no BSM physics in the loops nor in the decays

- Fitting the 5 main tree level coupling modifiers + κ_μ and resolving all the loops.
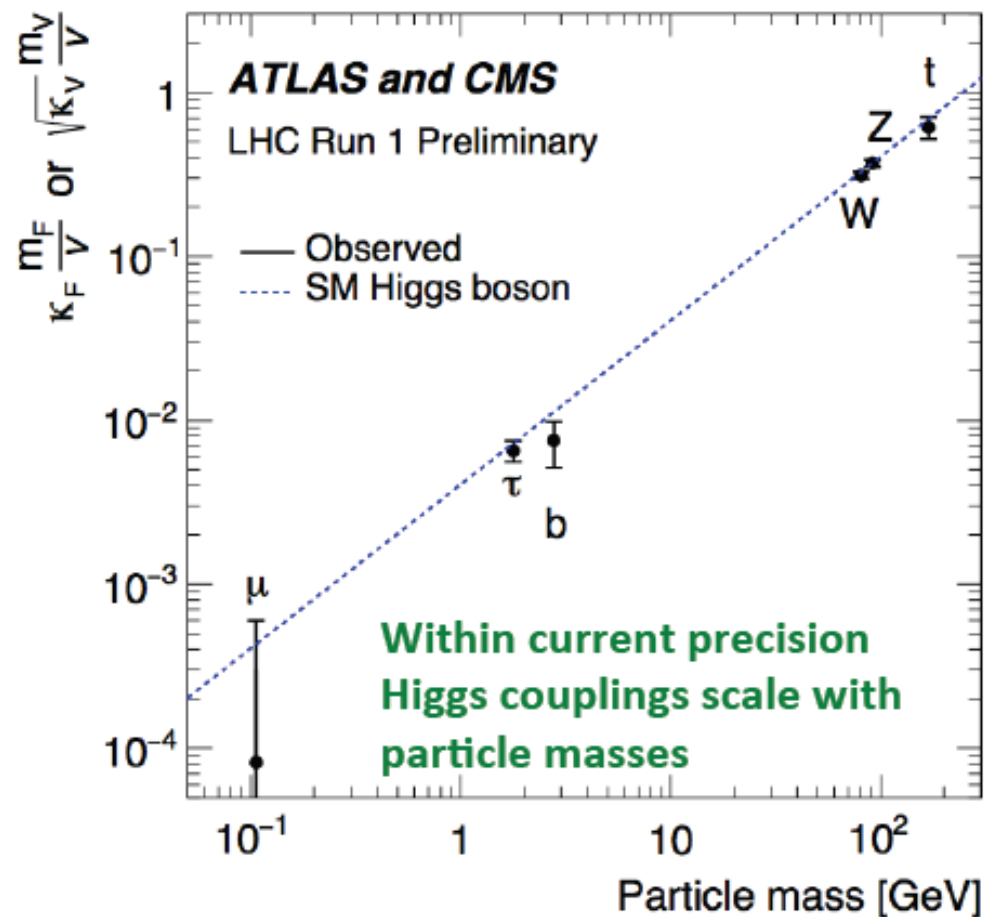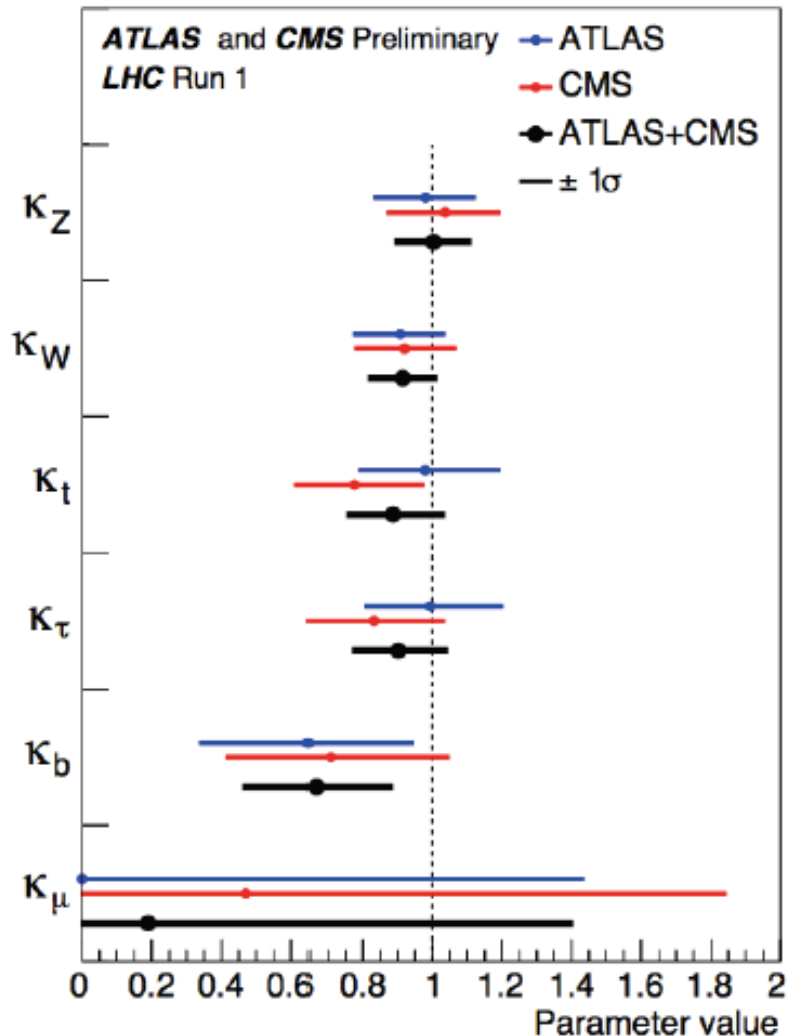
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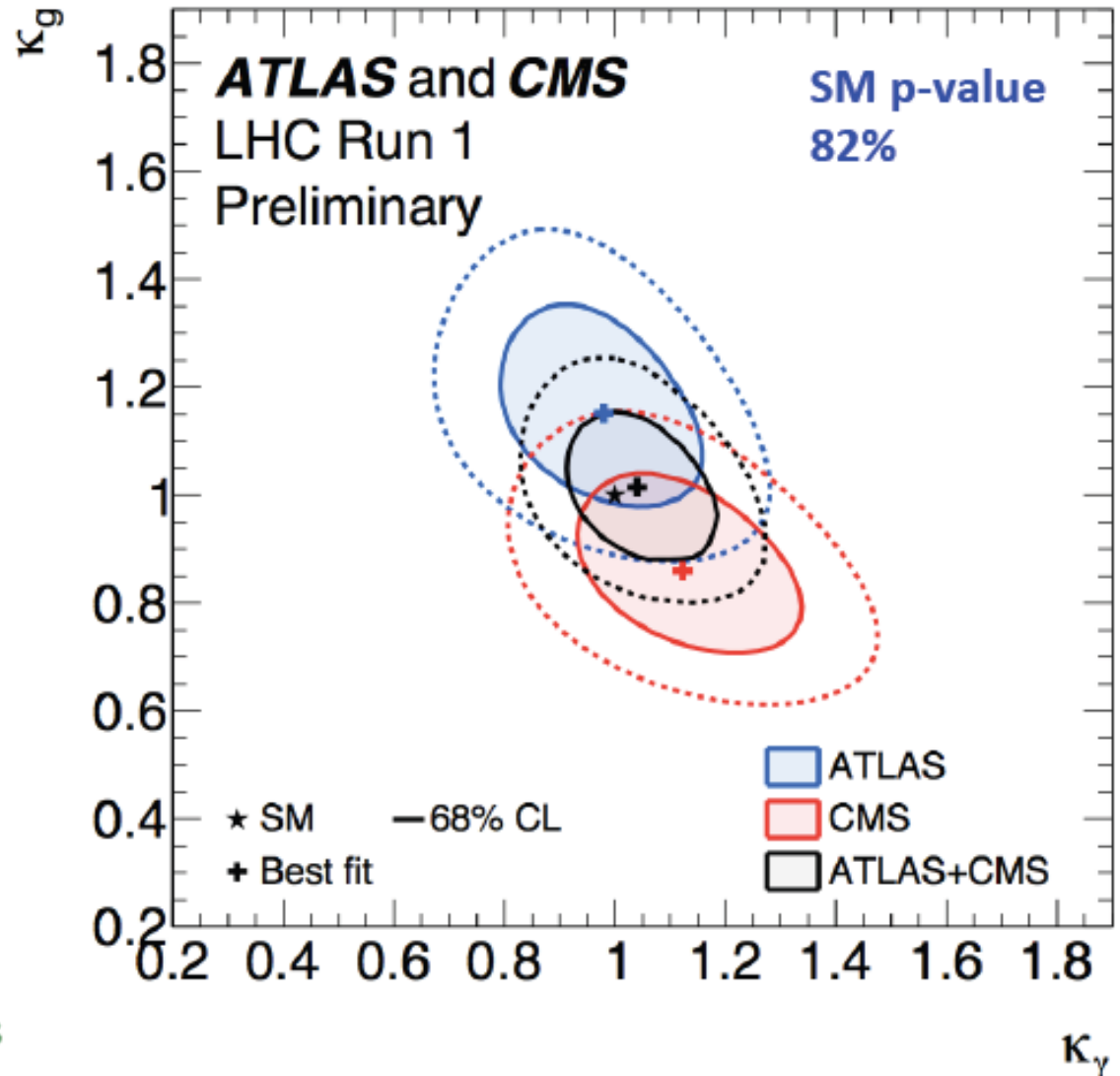- Assuming tree level couplings as in the SM and only modifications to the two main loops of ggF and H→γγ

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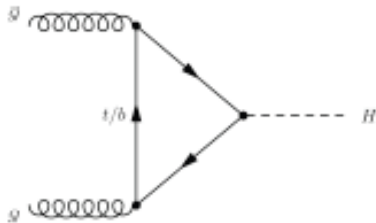
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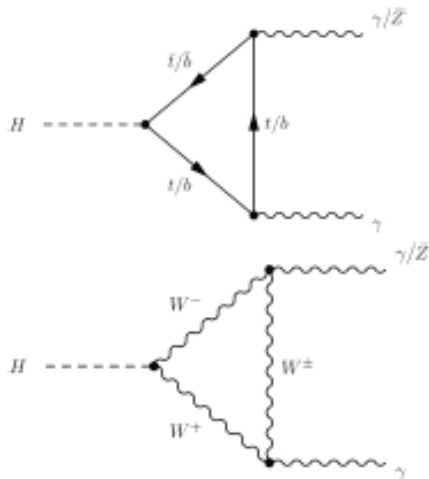
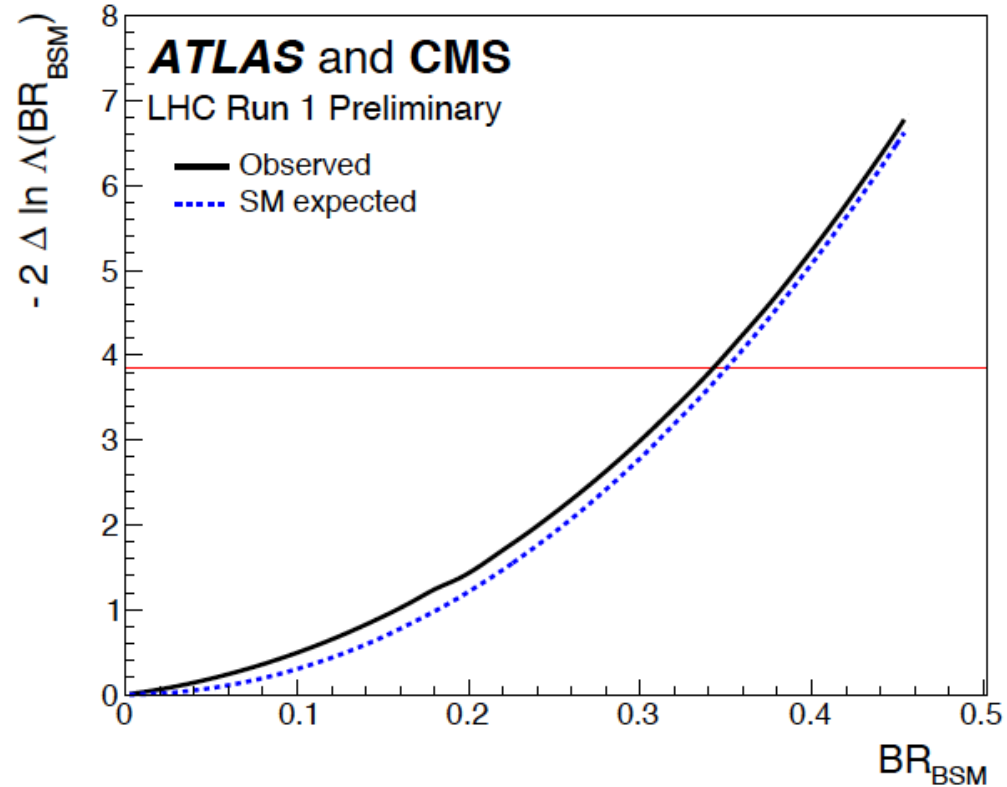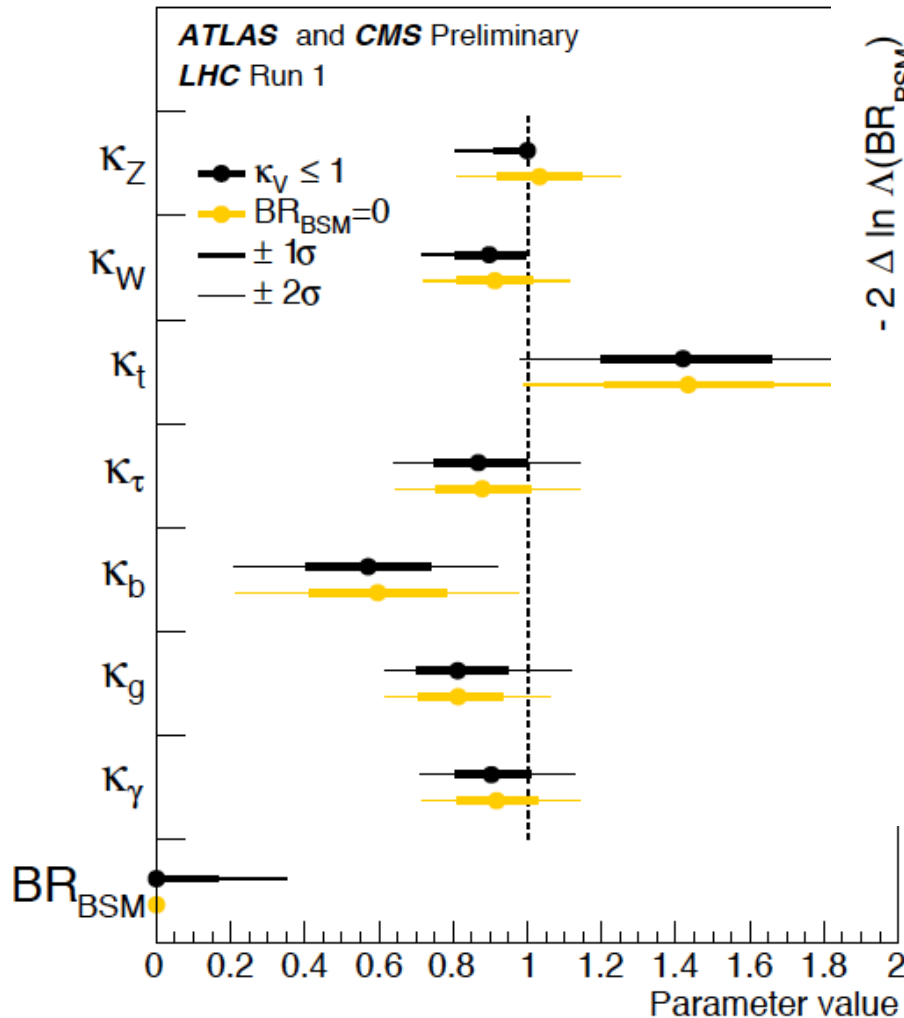Additional heavy fermions or charged Higgs boson would modify the effective couplings

Stronger assumptions on κ coupling modifiers:
BSM physics in the loops only or in both loops and decays

- **Here assume either $BR_{BSM} = 0$ or κ_W and $\kappa_Z < 1$**
- **In the latter case, extract limit on $BR_{BSM} < 34\%$ at 95 CL**