

Searches for $t\bar{t}H$ at ATLAS

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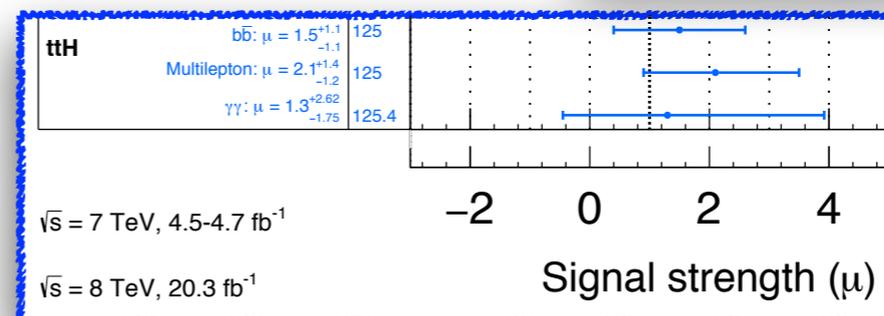
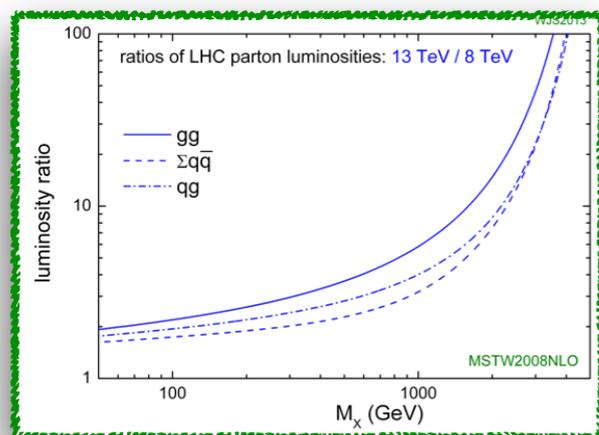
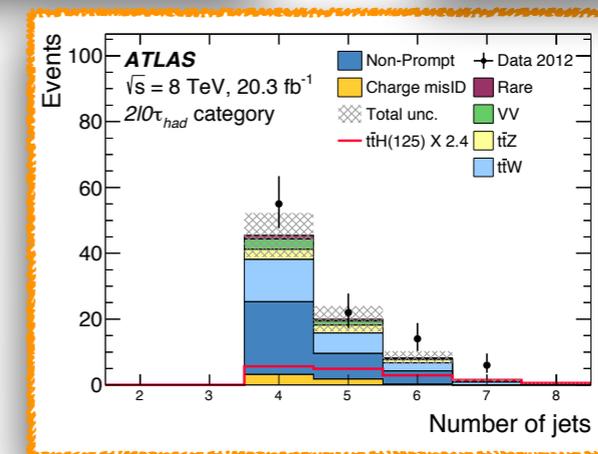
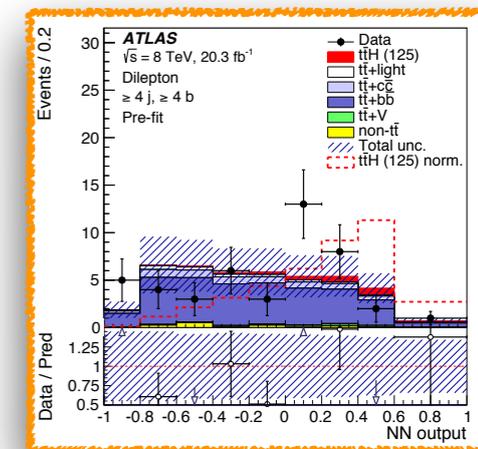
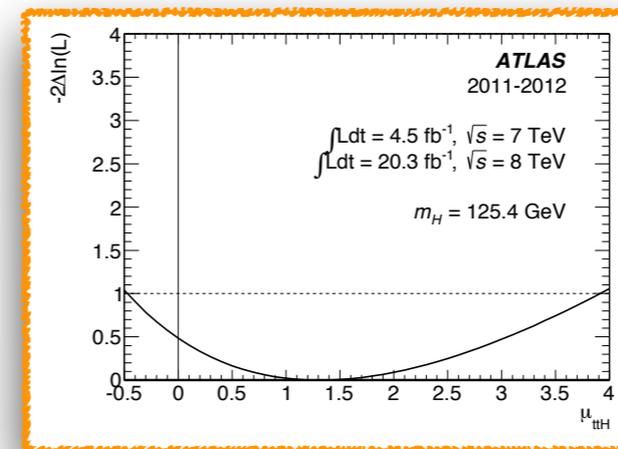
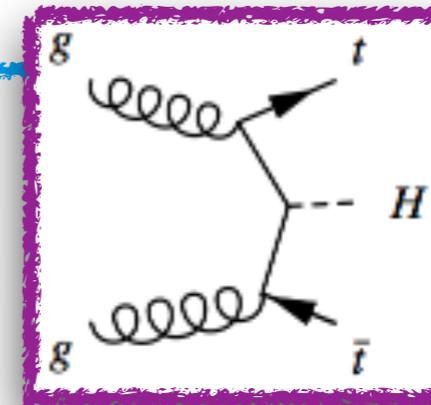
◆ Motivations

◆ ATLAS Run1 analyses:

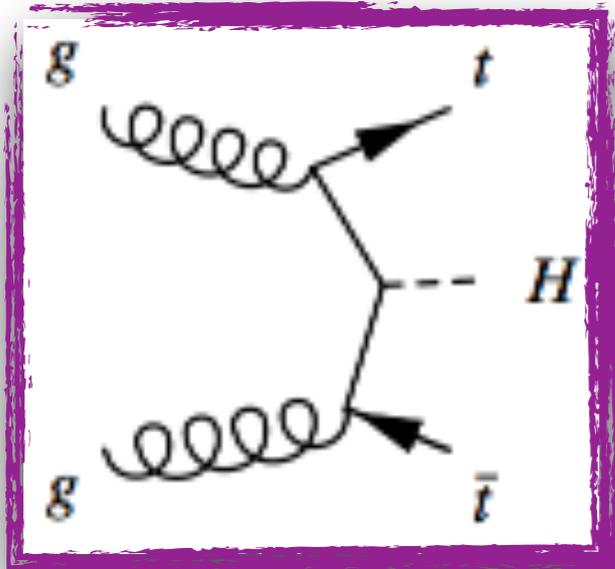
◆ strategy and results

◆ Run1 combination

◆ Run2 prospects

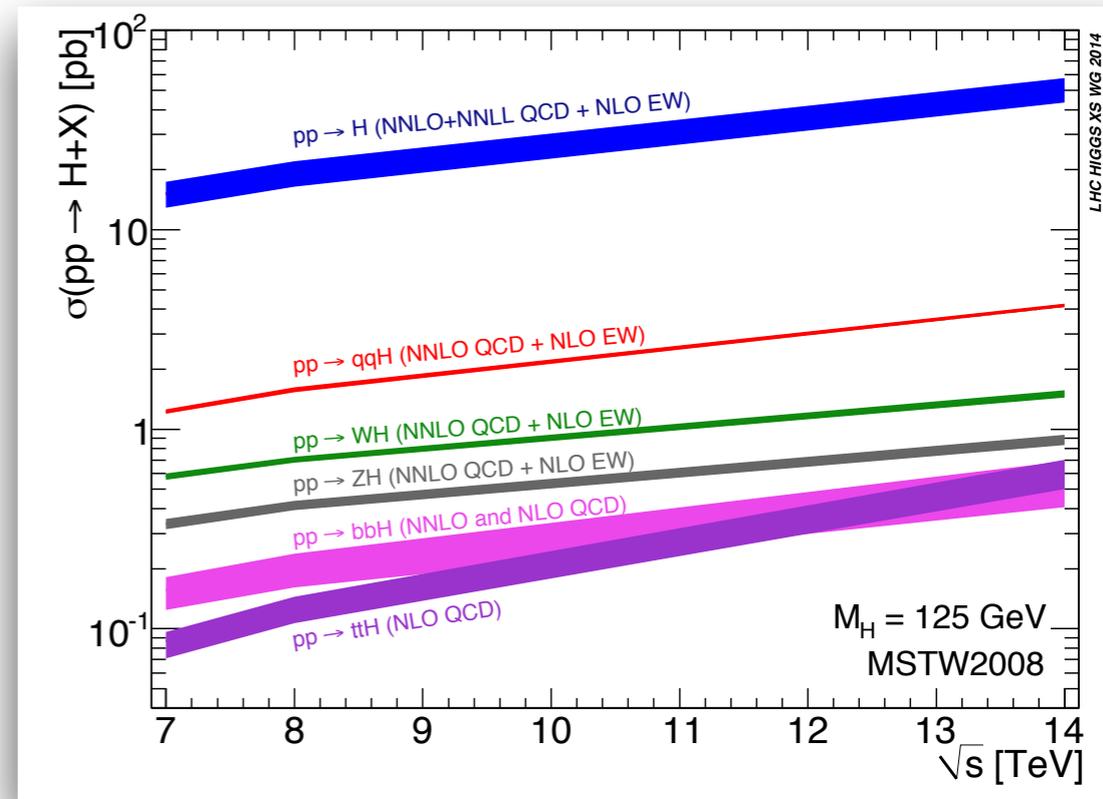


- ◆ **Associated production with top pair ($t\bar{t}H$)** is the “major” Higgs boson production mechanism with the smallest rate at LHC

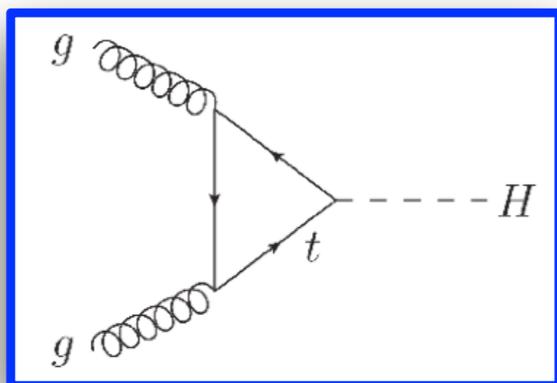


@8TeV: 1/200 of the inclusive Higgs production

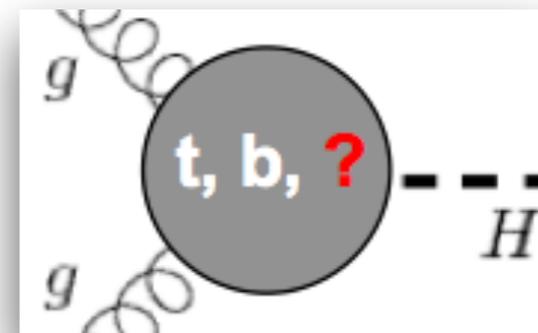
tree level diagram with top-Higgs boson coupling



- ◆ While it is not the only production mode sensitive to the top Yukawa coupling



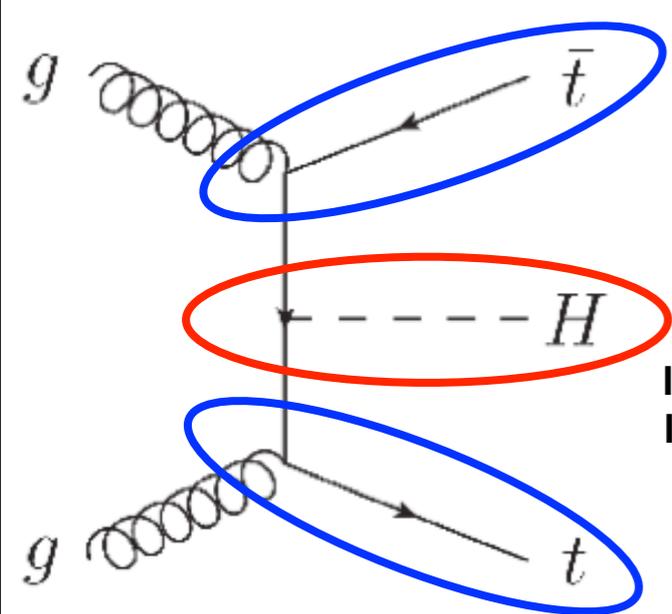
in reality it is :



- ◆ ... its measurement is a key ingredient in the investigation of the top-Higgs interactions without any assumption of new physics that can enter loop contributions

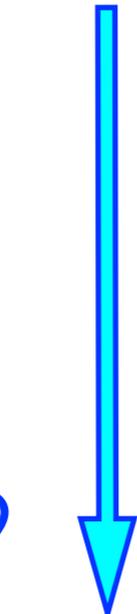
$t\bar{t}H$: which final states?

Higgs boson decay



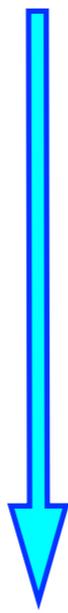
$t\bar{t}$ decay

large BR & large bkgd



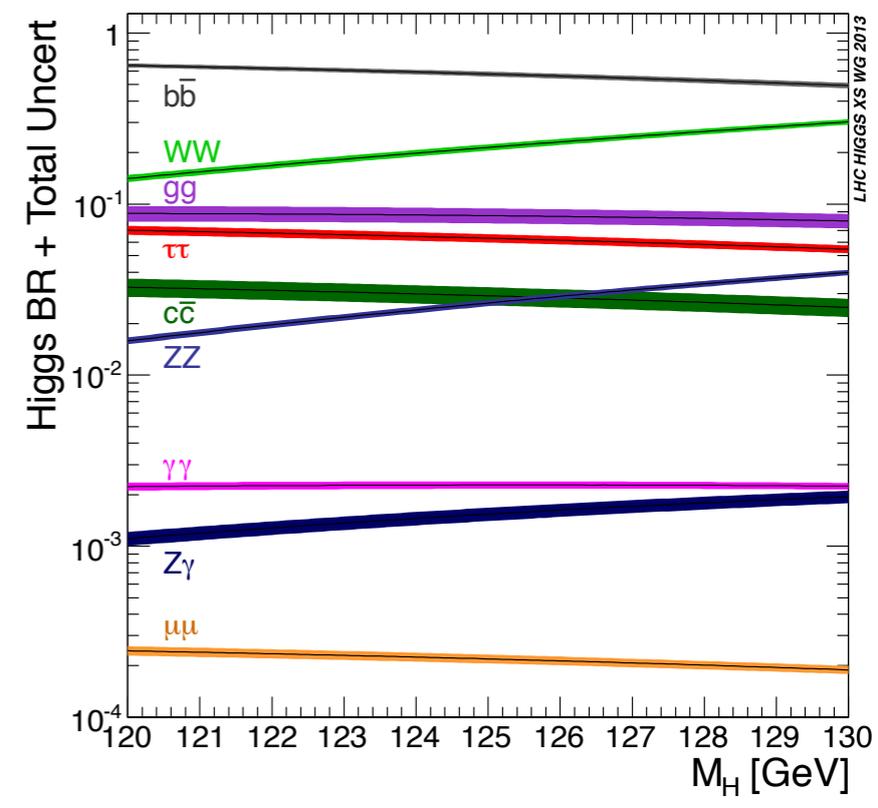
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large BR & large bkgd



purity & precision

- ◆ $b\bar{b}$ (57%)
- ◆ $\tau\tau$ (6%): use both leptonic and hadronic τ decay modes
- ◆ WW^* (22%): further penalties from leptonic BR decays, no mass peak reconstruction
- ◆ ZZ^* (2.8%): excellent mass resolution, very low branching ratio in fully leptonic channels
- ◆ $\gamma\gamma$ (0.23%): excellent mass resolution

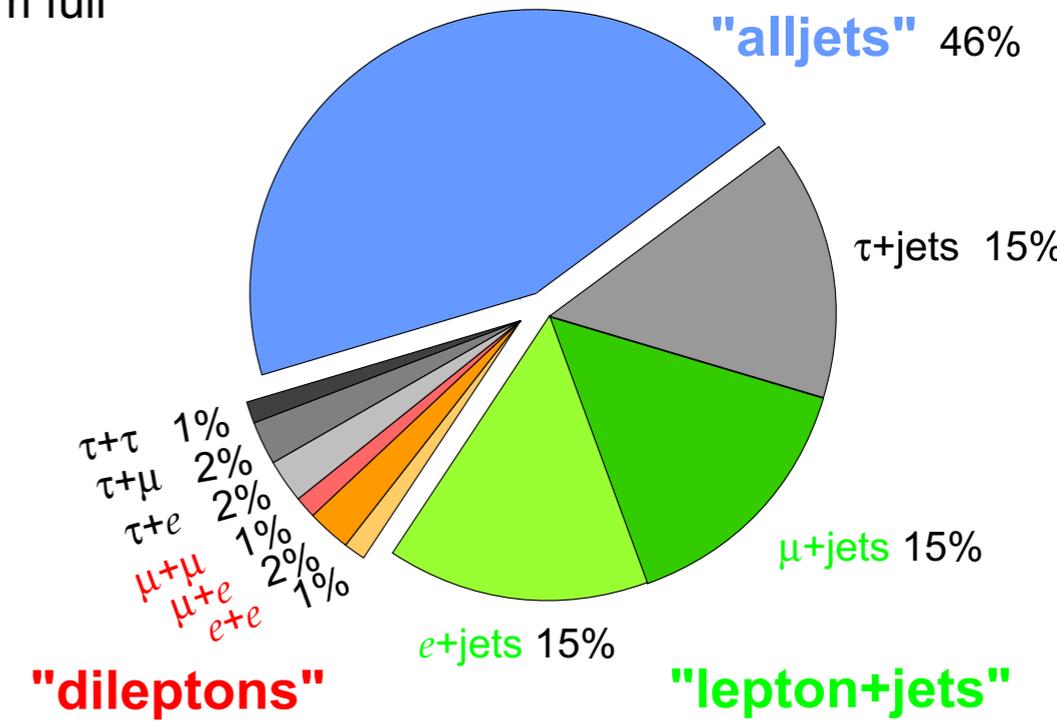


"all hadronic": possible to perform full $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ reconstruction.

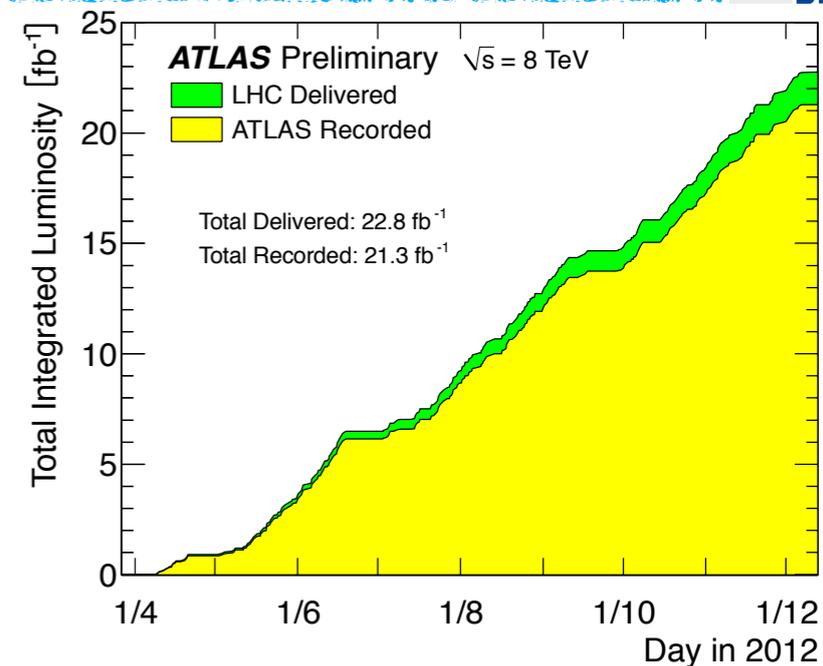
"lepton+jets": exploit lepton for triggering/background reduction.

"di-lepton": large penalty from small leptonic BR

[can also consider final states with hadronically decaying τ]



- ◆ Broad spectrum of analyses covering multiple final states:
 - ◆ combine low BR Higgs decay with high BR $t\bar{t}$ decay and vice-versa
 - ◆ $t\bar{t}$ decay products help selection of signal and the reduction of backgrounds. Increased combinatorics when attempting to reconstruct the Higgs boson candidate



Search for $t\bar{t}H$ ($H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$): 8 TeV

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Search for $t\bar{t}H$ ($H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$): 7+8 TeV

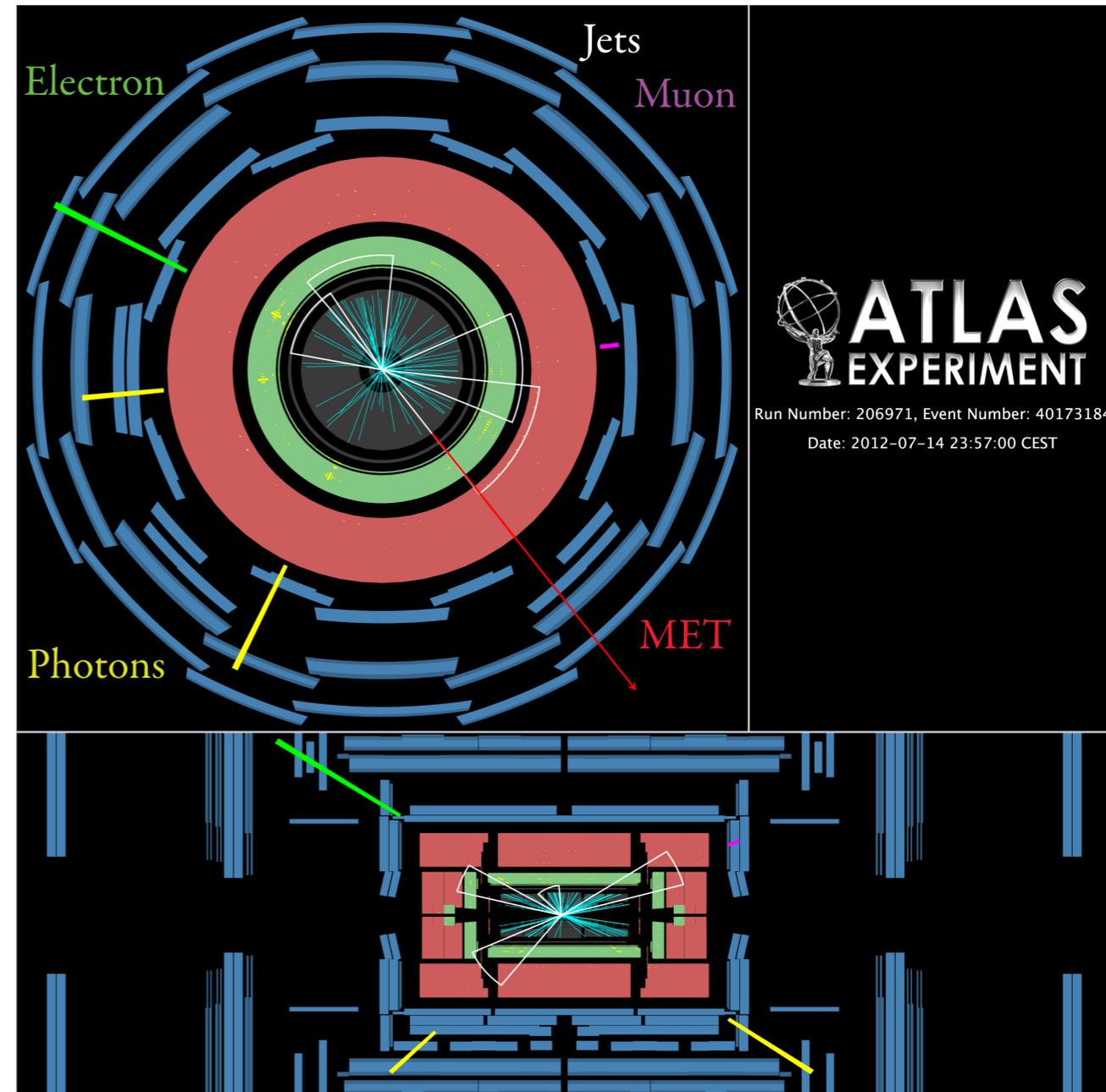
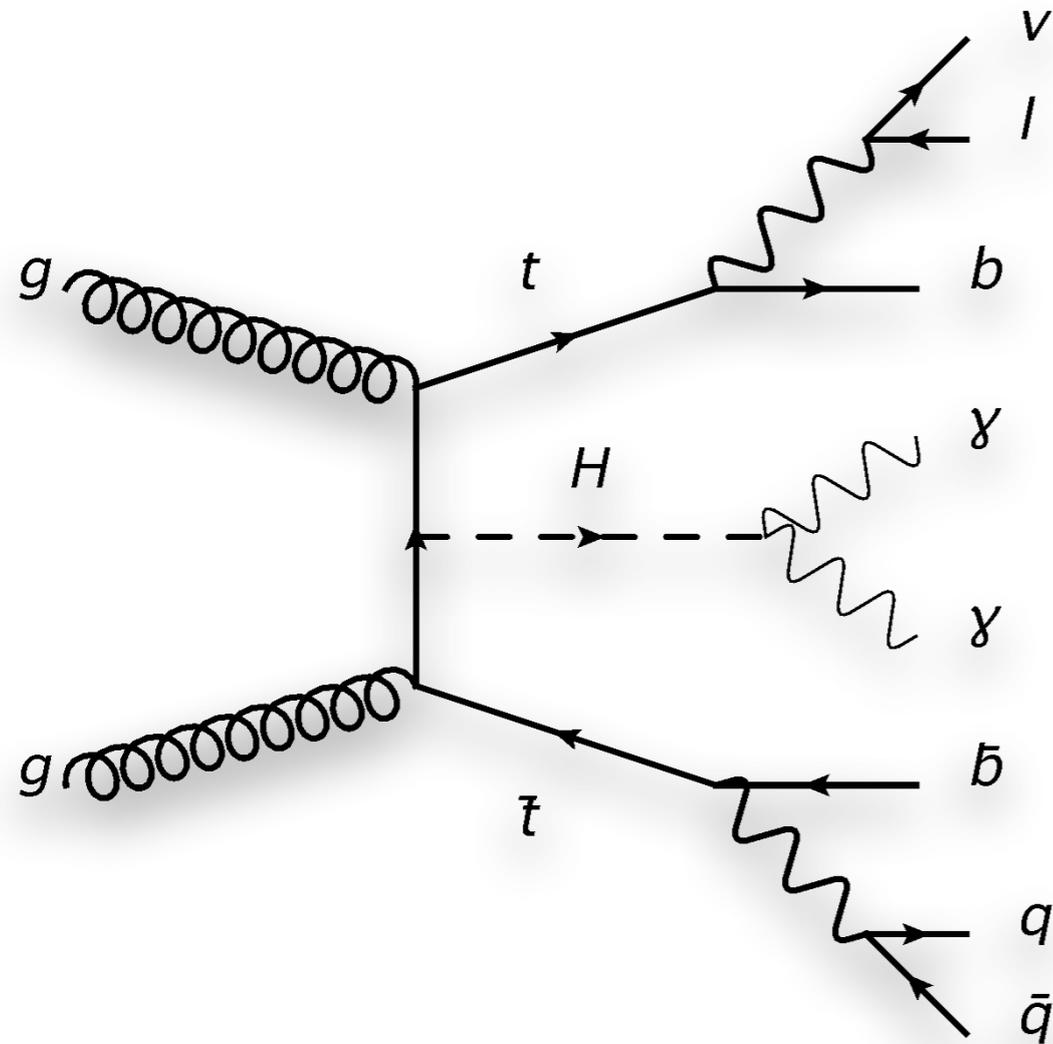
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Search for $t\bar{t}H$ multilepton: 8 TeV

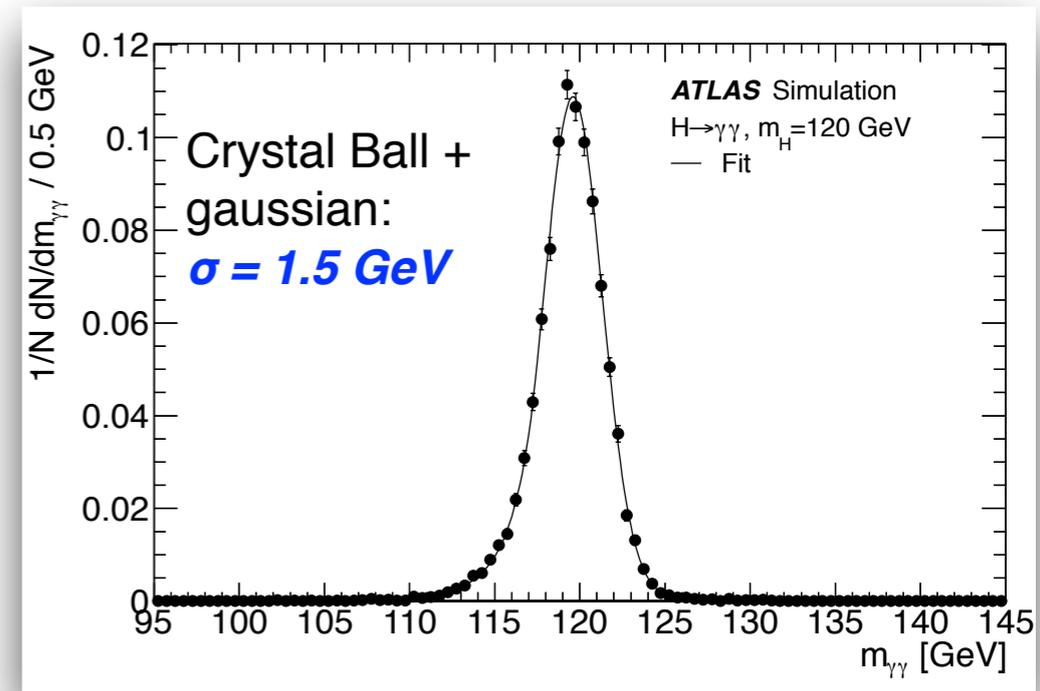
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Higgs boson decay

	$t\bar{t}$ decay		
	$t\bar{t}$ allHad	$t\bar{t}$ l+jets	$t\bar{t}$ di-leptons
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$			
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$			
$H \rightarrow WW^*$			
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$			
$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$			



◆ Following similar approach of the main $H\gamma\gamma$ analysis: **look for a bump over a smooth background in the di-photon invariant mass spectrum**



◆ 2 high p_T isolated photons (di-photon trigger):

- ◆ central region of the detector ($|\eta| < 2.47$)
- ◆ 'tight' identification criteria
- ◆ $E_T^1 > 0.35 \cdot m_{\gamma\gamma}$, $E_T^2 > 0.25 \cdot m_{\gamma\gamma}$

◆ Loose topological selection, optimised for $t\bar{t}H$ sensitivity (overall efficiency $\sim 15\%$):

Hadronic $t\bar{t}$

- ◆ no electrons or muons
- ◆ OR of jet requirements:
 - ◆ ≥ 6 jets ($p_T > 25$ GeV), ≥ 2 b-tagged jets (80% b-eff.)
 - ◆ ≥ 5 jets ($p_T > 30$ GeV), ≥ 1 b-tagged jets (70% b-eff.)
 - ◆ ≥ 6 jets ($p_T > 30$ GeV), ≥ 1 b-tagged jets (60% b-eff.)

Leptonic $t\bar{t}$

- ◆ at least 1 isolated lepton (ele $p_T > 15$ GeV, mu $p_T > 10$ GeV)
- ◆ ≥ 1 b-tagged jet (80% b-eff.)
- ◆ veto $m_{e\gamma}$ around Z peak

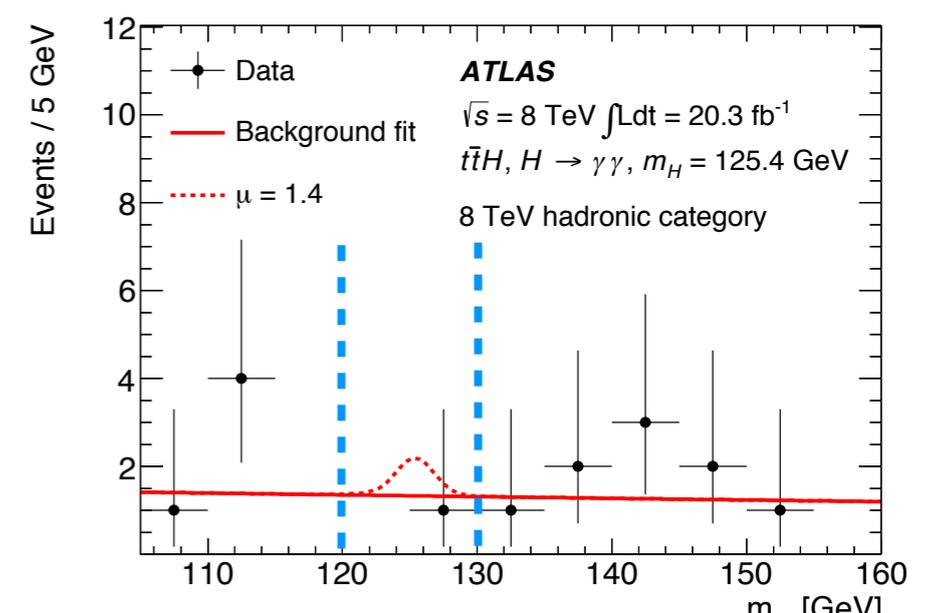
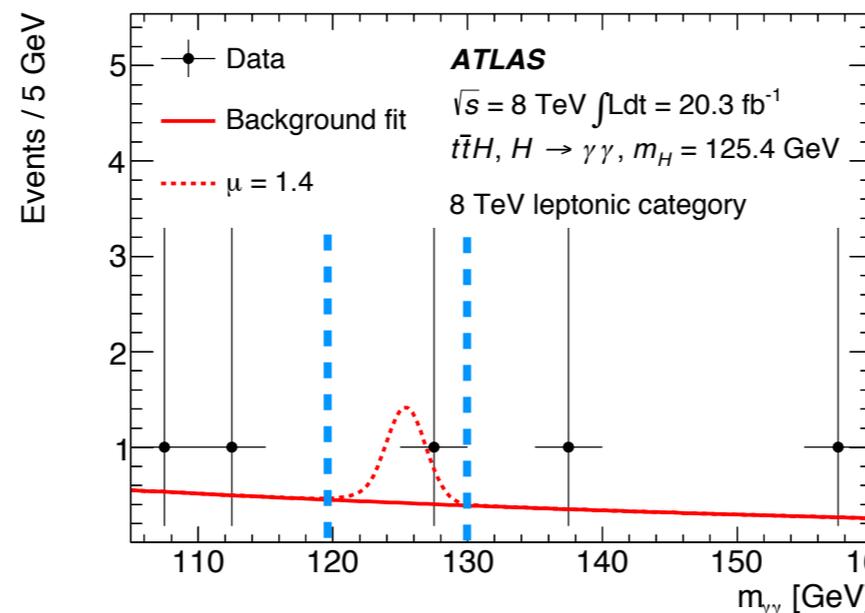
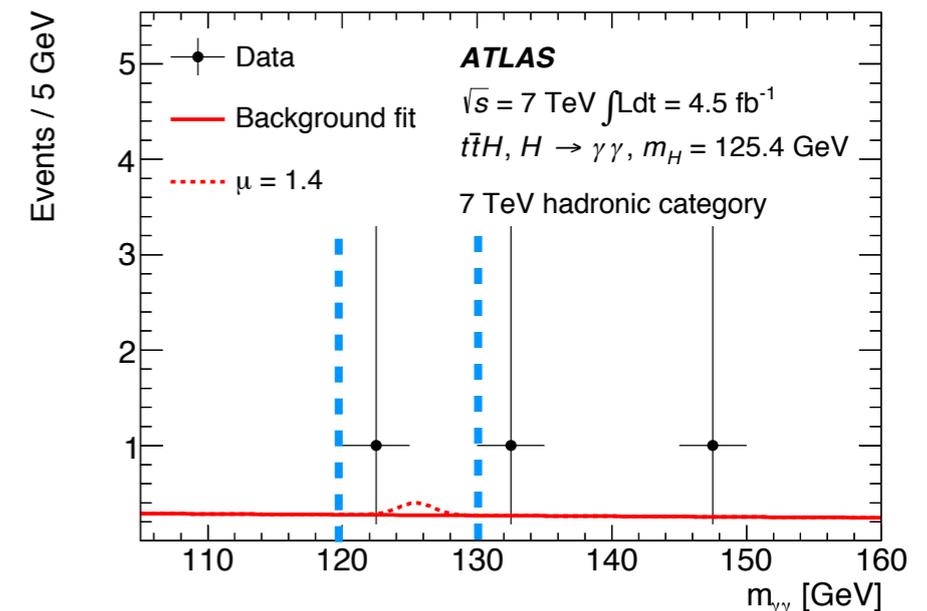
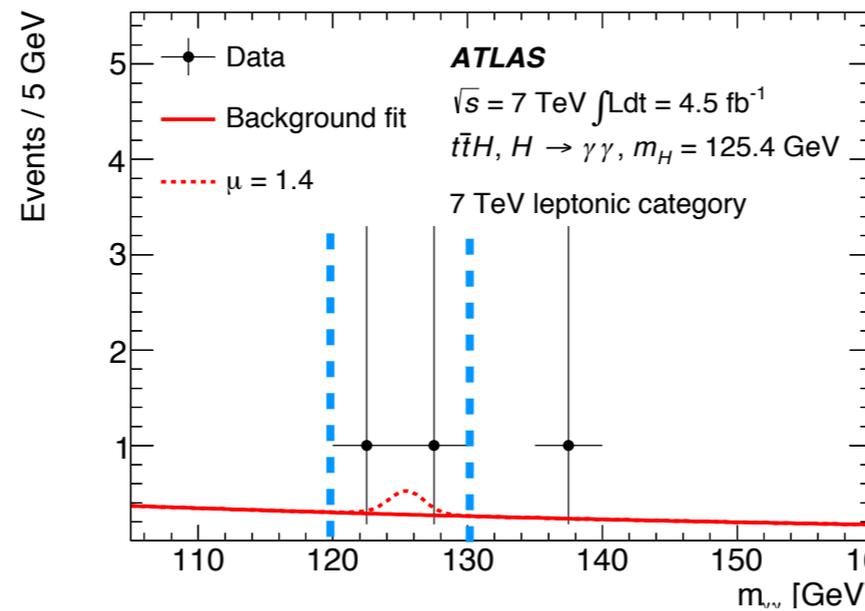
◆ Selection also optimised to minimise contamination from other Higgs production modes

Category	N_H	ggF	VBF	WH	ZH	$t\bar{t}H$	$tHqb$	WtH	N_B	N_{data}
8 TeV leptonic	0.59	1.0%	0.2%	8.1%	2.3%	80.3%	5.5%	2.7%	$0.9^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$	1
8 TeV hadronic	0.50	7.3%	1.0%	0.7%	1.3%	84.3%	3.4%	2.0%	$2.7^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$	1
7 TeV leptonic	0.10	0.6%	0.1%	14.9%	4.0%	72.8%	5.0%	2.4%	$0.5^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$	2
7 TeV hadronic	0.07	10.5%	1.3%	1.3%	1.4%	81.1%	2.5%	1.8%	$0.5^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$	1

◆ Background $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ distribution described with *an exponential function*:

◆ parameters derived in CR (inverting isolation or photon ID requirements)

◆ normalization from sidebands in SR

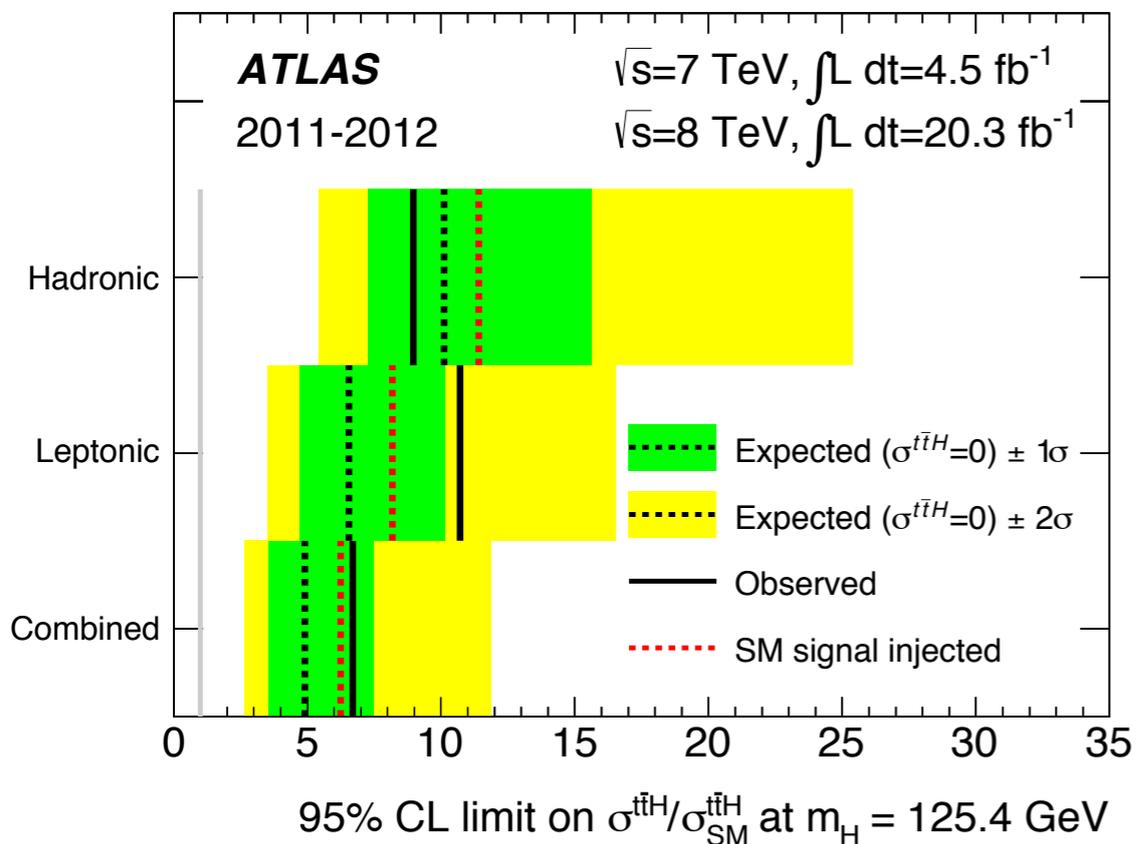
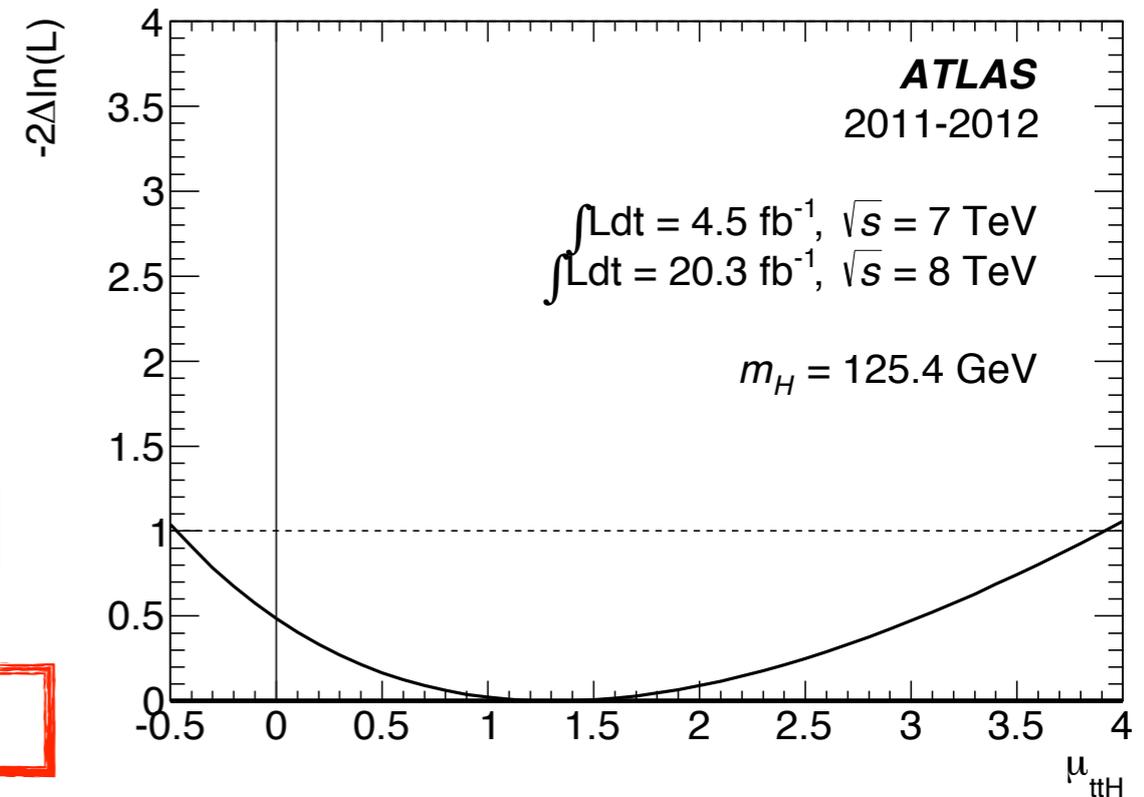


◆ Results obtained from a unbinned maximum likelihood of $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ distribution in the 4 regions:

- ◆ main parameter: signal strength $\mu_{t\bar{t}H} = \sigma_{t\bar{t}H} / \sigma_{t\bar{t}H}^{SM}$
- ◆ contribution from other Higgs boson production modes set at the SM values (theory uncertainties on normalization)

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}H} / \sigma_{t\bar{t}H}^{SM} = 1.3 \begin{matrix} +2.5 \\ -1.7 \end{matrix} (stat.) \begin{matrix} +0.8 \\ -0.4 \end{matrix} (sys.)$$

result largely dominated by statistical uncertainty

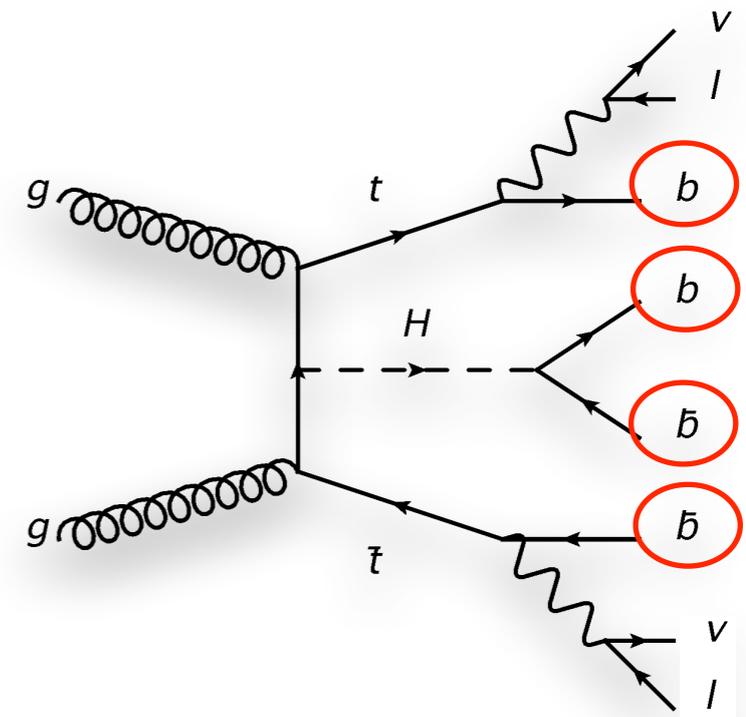
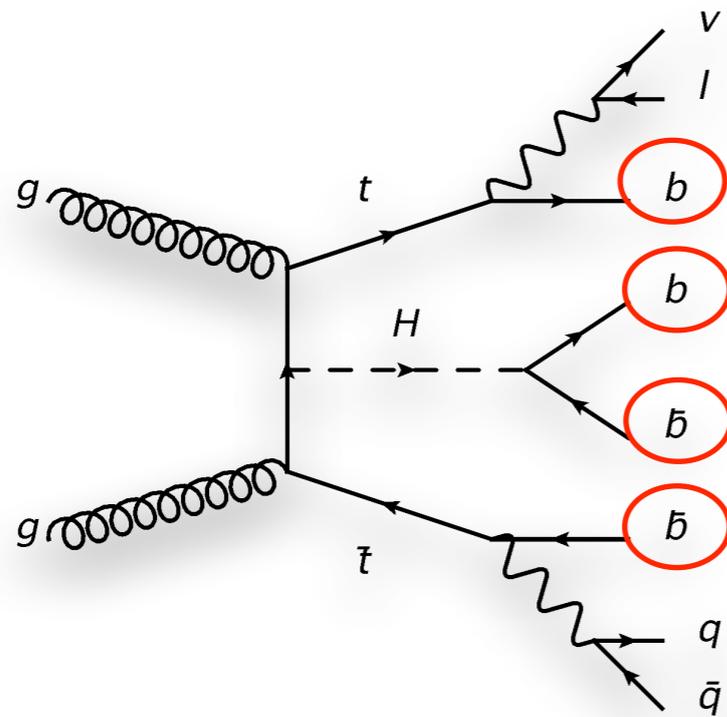


- ◆ Negligible contamination from other Higgs boson decay modes:
 - ◆ can interpret as upper limit on cross section times $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ branching ratio
- ◆ At 95% CL, for $m_H = 125.4$ GeV:

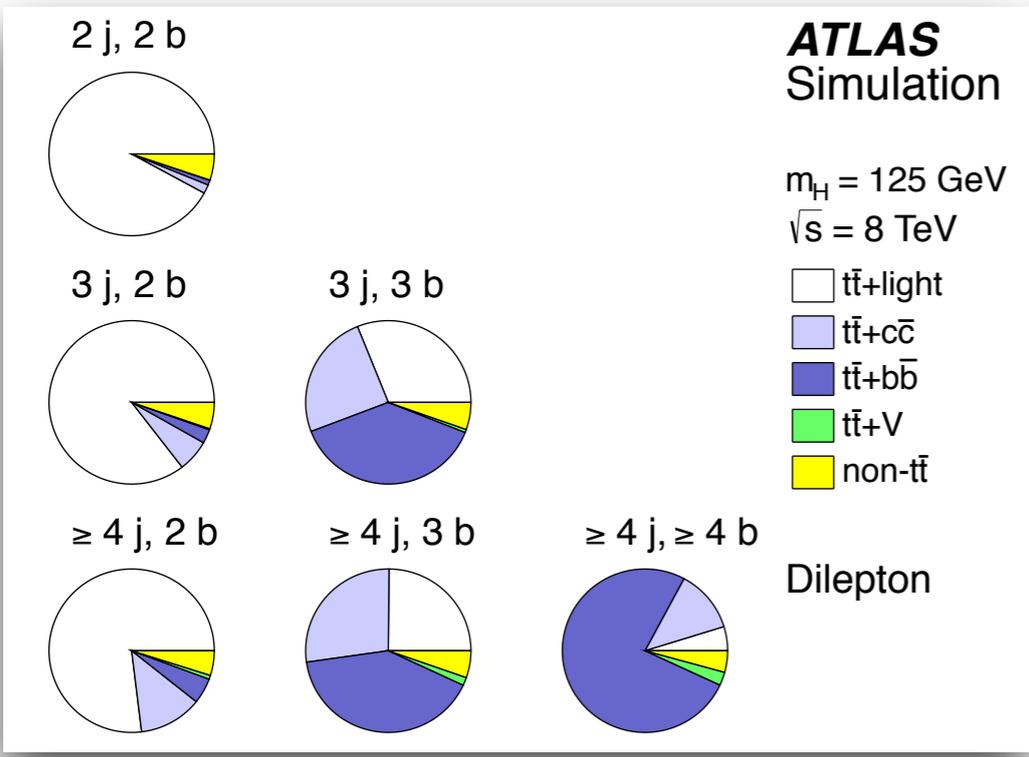
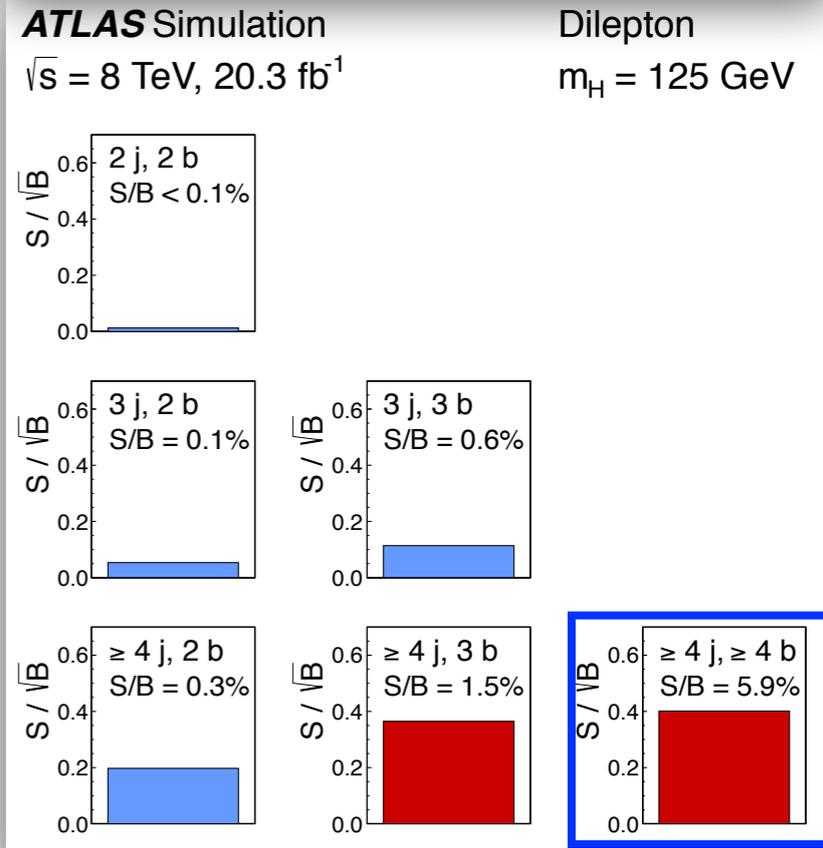
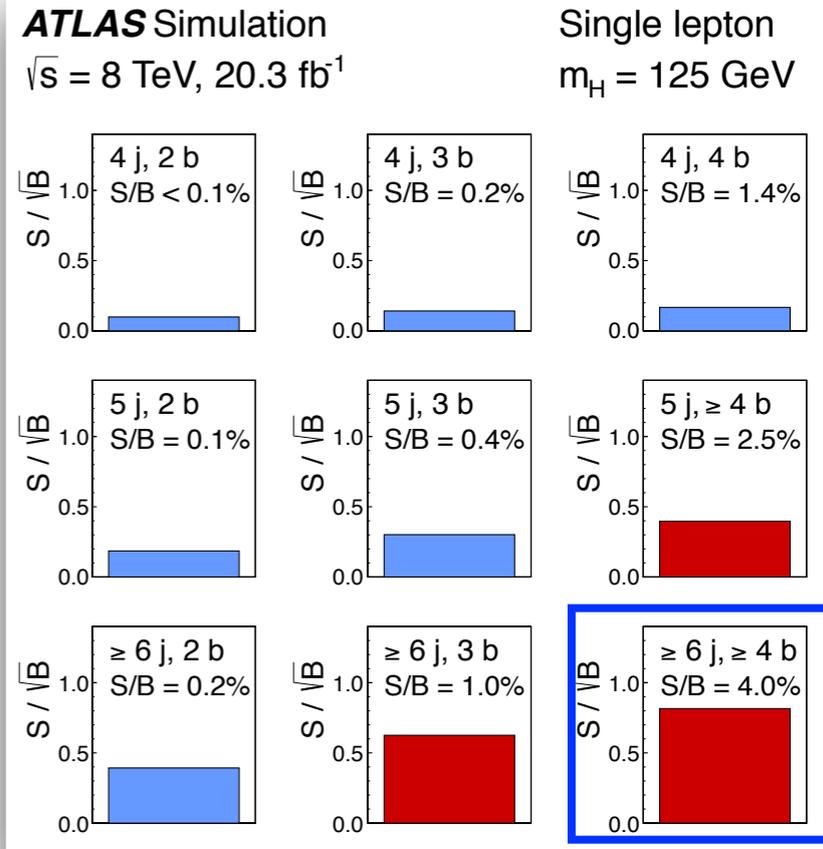
$$\text{observed } \sigma^*BR / (\sigma^*BR)_{SM} < 6.5$$

$$\text{expected } \sigma^*BR / (\sigma^*BR)_{SM} < 4.9$$

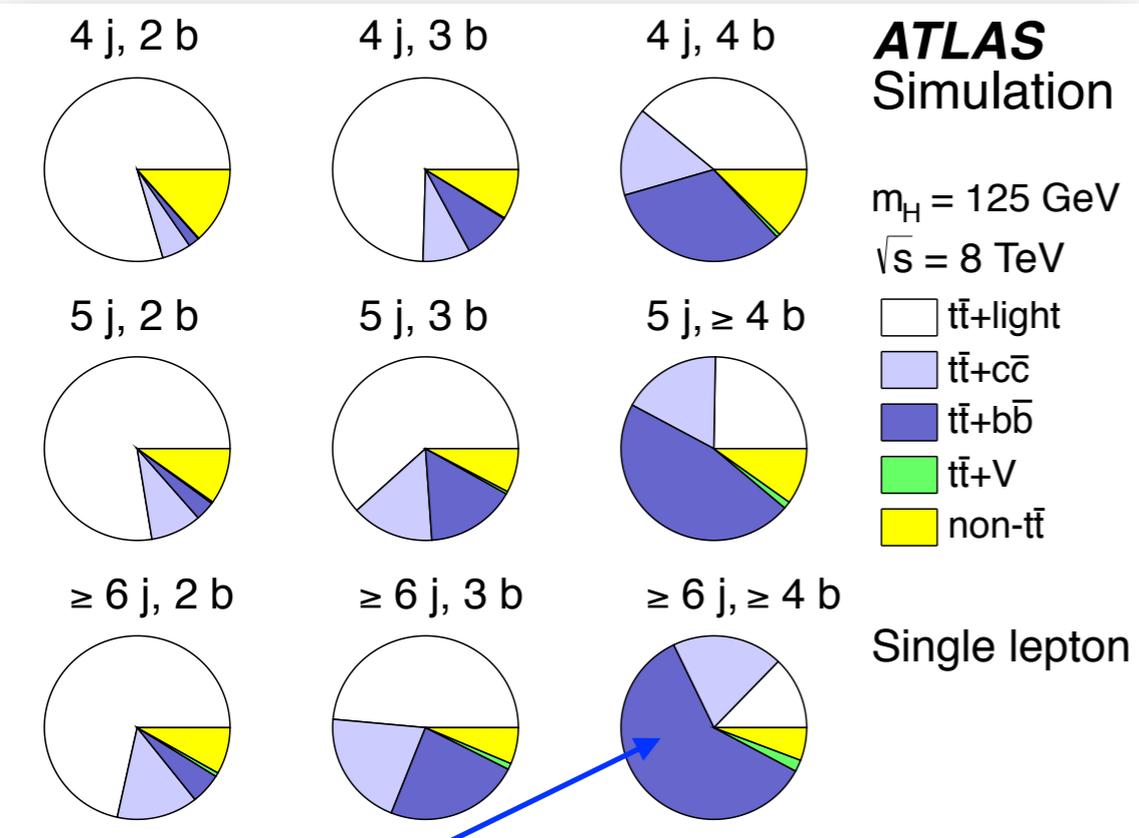
$t\bar{t}H (H \rightarrow b\bar{b})$



- ◆ 2 main channels:
 - ◆ *lepton+jets*: 1 lepton (electron or muon) [≥ 4 jets, ≥ 2 b-tags]
 - ◆ *di-lepton*: opposite sign lepton pair (ee, e μ , $\mu\mu$) [≥ 2 jets, ≥ 2 b-tags]
- ◆ *Categorising events* according to the number of jets ($p_T > 25$ GeV) and b-tagged jets (70% b-eff.):
 - ◆ exploiting different S/B [and S/\sqrt{B}] in each region
 - ◆ *signal depleted* and *signal enriched* regions
 - ◆ best S/B : *l+jets* 4.0% , *di-lepton* 5.9%

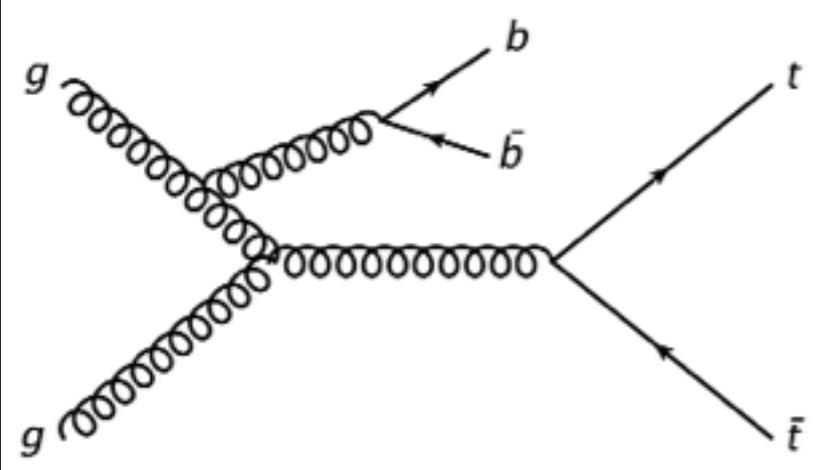


◆ *Variable background composition* across regions: used to control main background normalisation from data

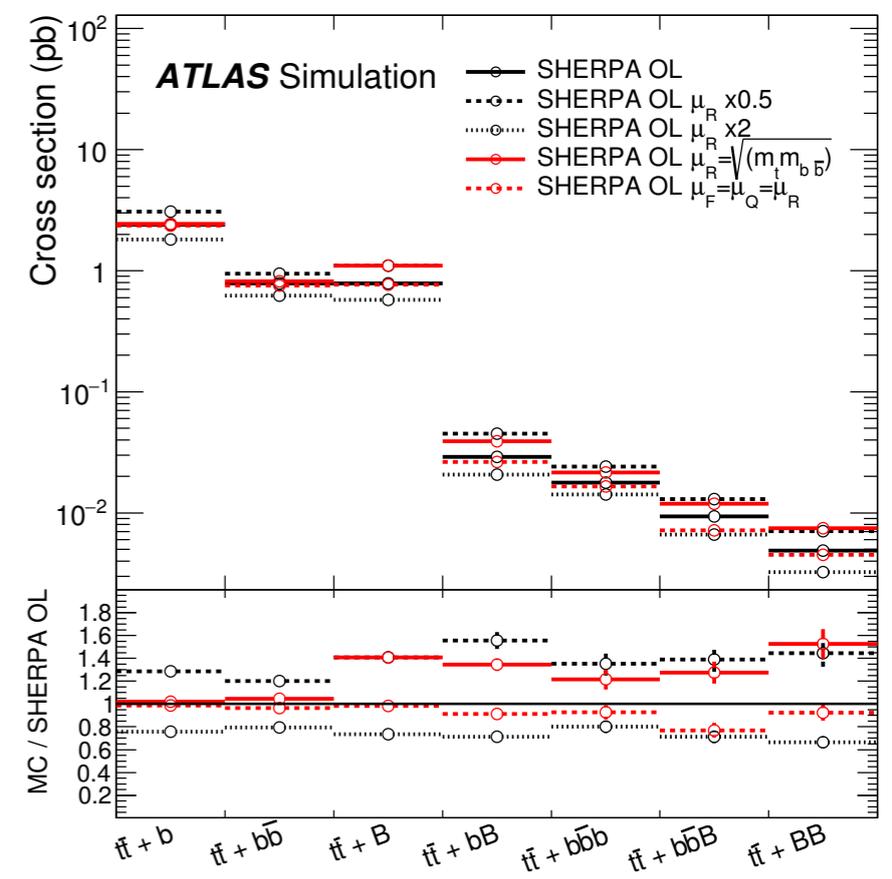


- ◆ Reducible backgrounds:
 - ◆ $t\bar{t}$ +light jets / $t\bar{t}$ +cc: can enter signal-enriched regions by mis-tagging of light and c-jets. Predictions from Powheg +Pythia6 (with ttbar/top pt reweighting)
 - ◆ non- $t\bar{t}$: single top (largest), W+jets, Z+jets and di-bosons taken from MC, QCD Multijet fully data-driven.
 - ◆ $t\bar{t}$ +V: partly irreducible ($t\bar{t}Z Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$) but very small expected contribution (< half of expected signal in 4b-tags regions)

- ◆ $t\bar{t}$ + $b\bar{b}$: main irreducible background
- ◆ distribution across analysis regions strongly depends on bb kinematic



- ◆ Powheg+Pythia6 events reweighted to *Sherpa OpenLoops NLO predictions* (both relative amount of each b-hadron category and kinematic within each category)
- ◆ 50% normalisation uncertainty + modelling uncertainties from Sherpa OpenLoops generation parameters



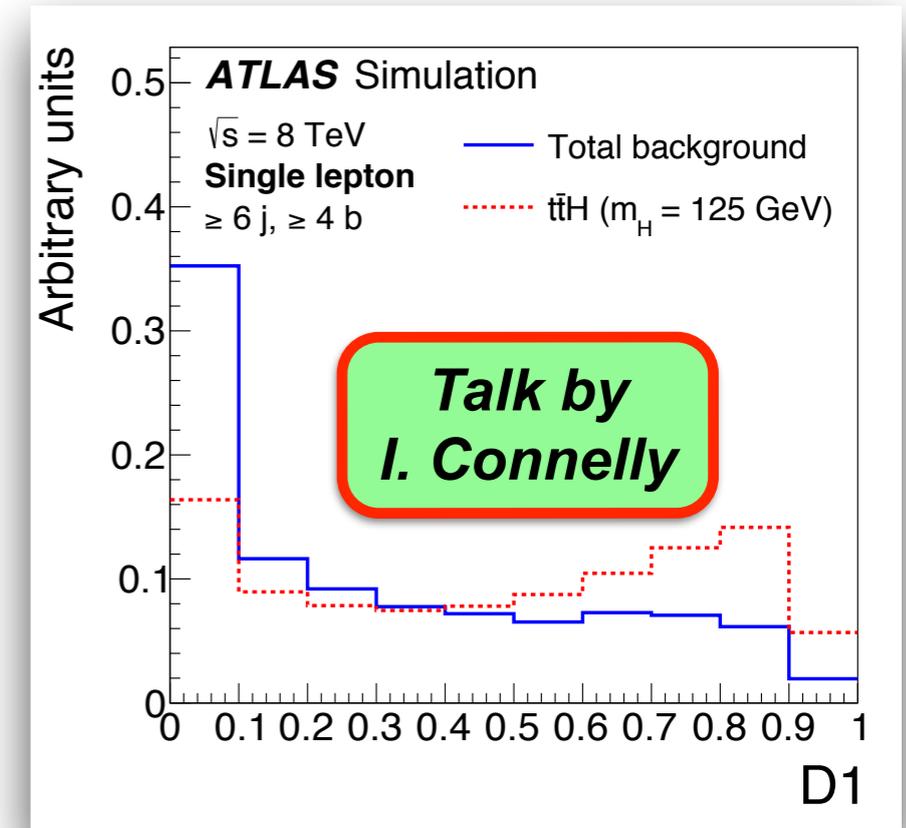
◆ Fitting a discriminant distribution in each analysis region:

✦ *signal-depleted regions:*

H_T = scalar sum of jet (and lepton) p_{TS} for the single lepton (di-lepton) analysis.

✦ *signal-enriched regions:*

MVA output = neural network discriminant trained for the best separation of signal from background in each region. In $l+jets$ (5j, 3b) region the NN is trained to separate $t\bar{t}+light$ from $t\bar{t}+HF$



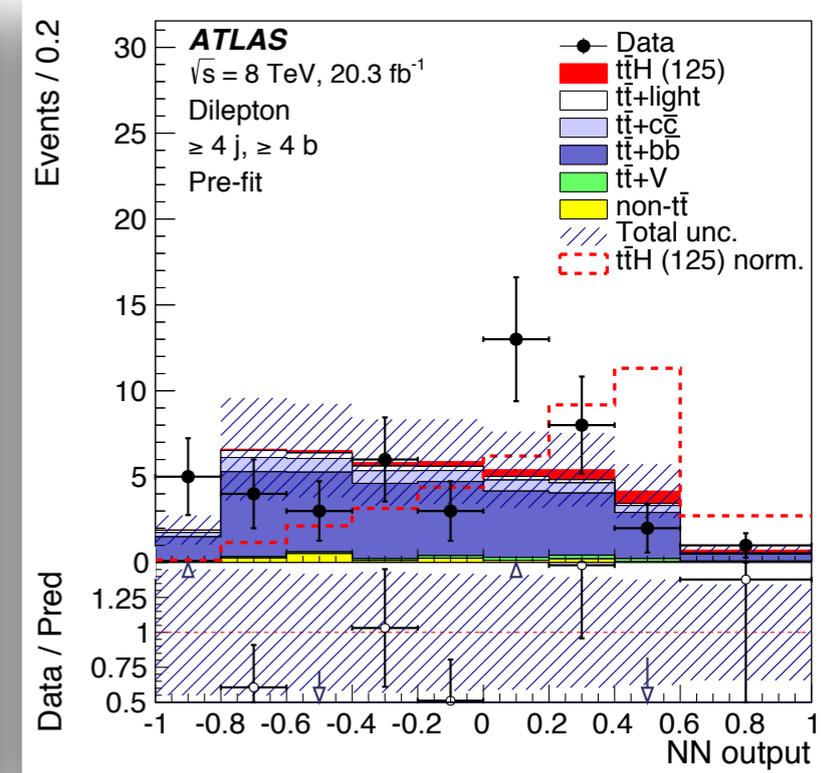
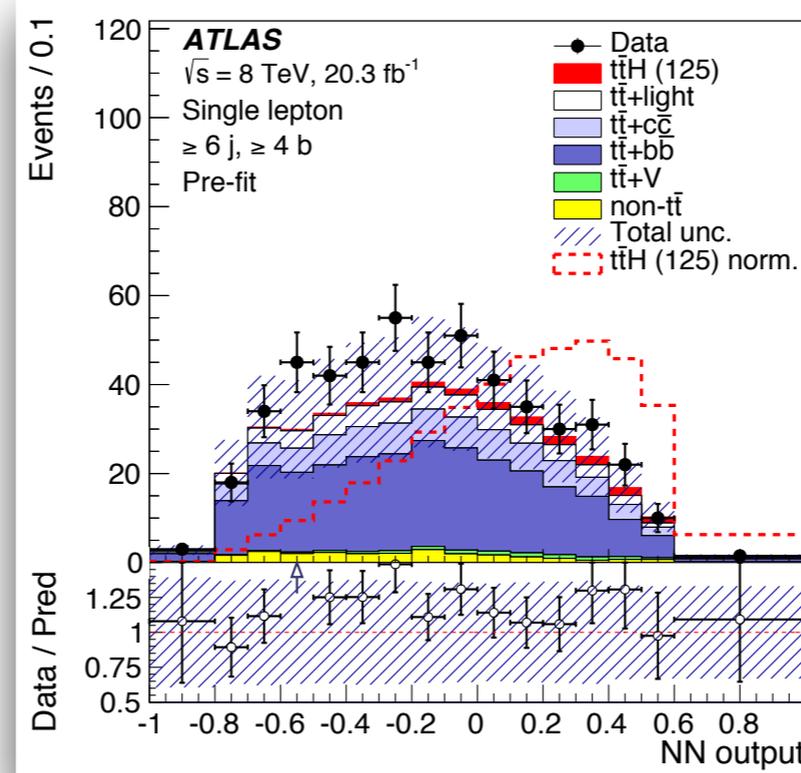
◆ Large variety of variables considered (list optimised separately in each region):

✦ **single object kinematics:** jet p_{TS}

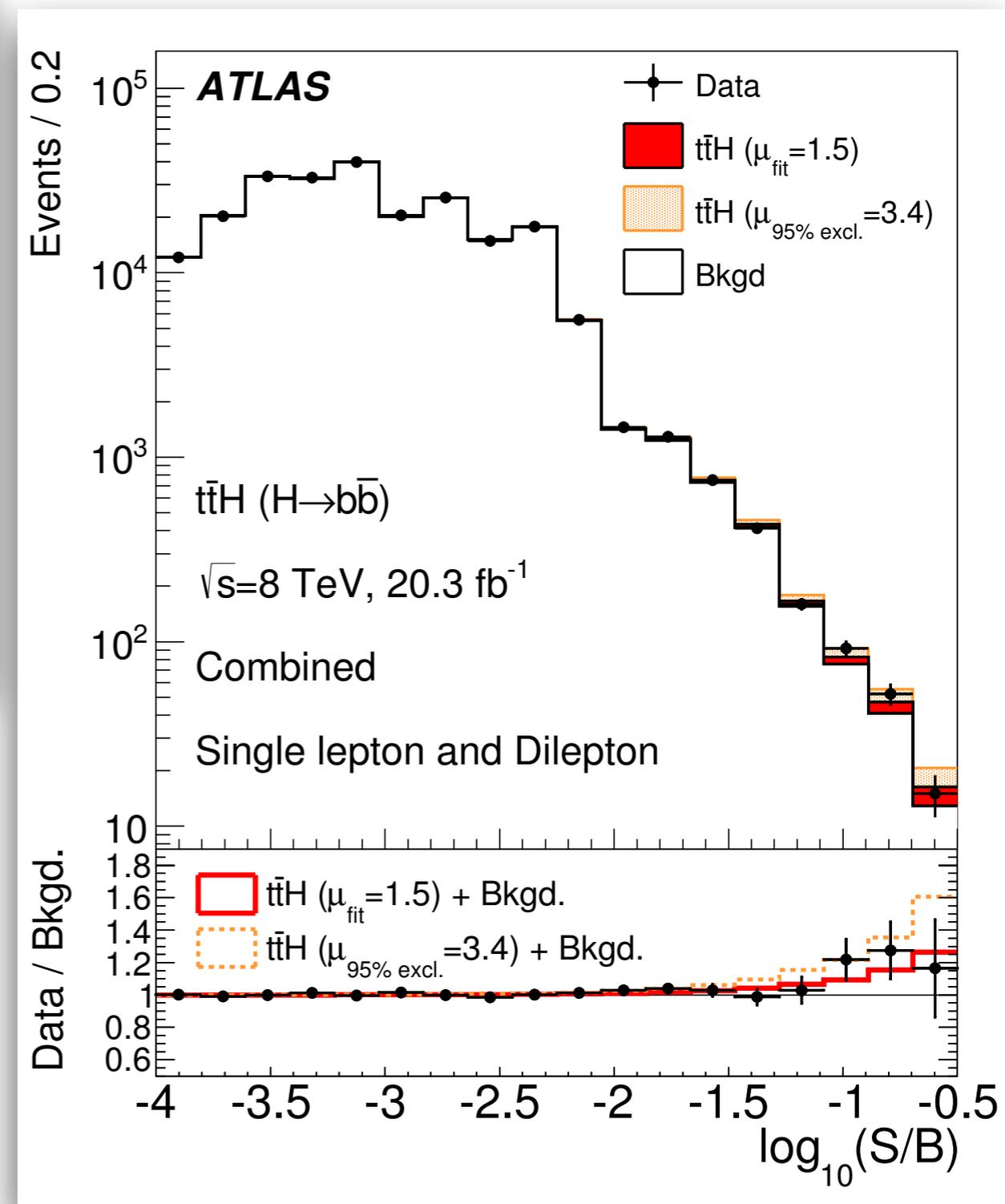
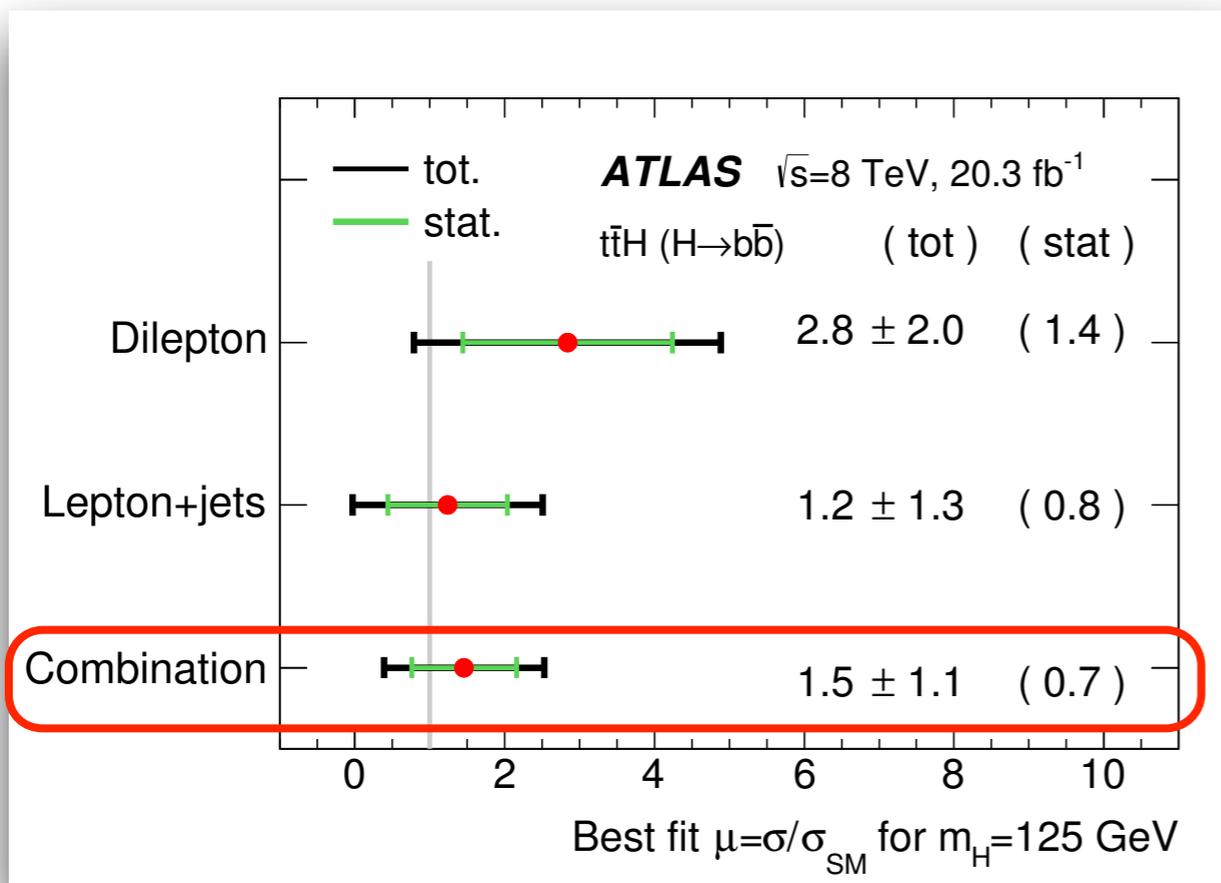
✦ **global event kinematics:** centrality, aplanarity, H_T ,

✦ **di-jet pair properties:** ΔR_{bb}^{maxpt} , $m_{bb}^{min\Delta R}$ (targeting partial event reconstruction)

✦ **($l+jets$ only) matrix element discriminants:** Neyman-Pearson D1, ...



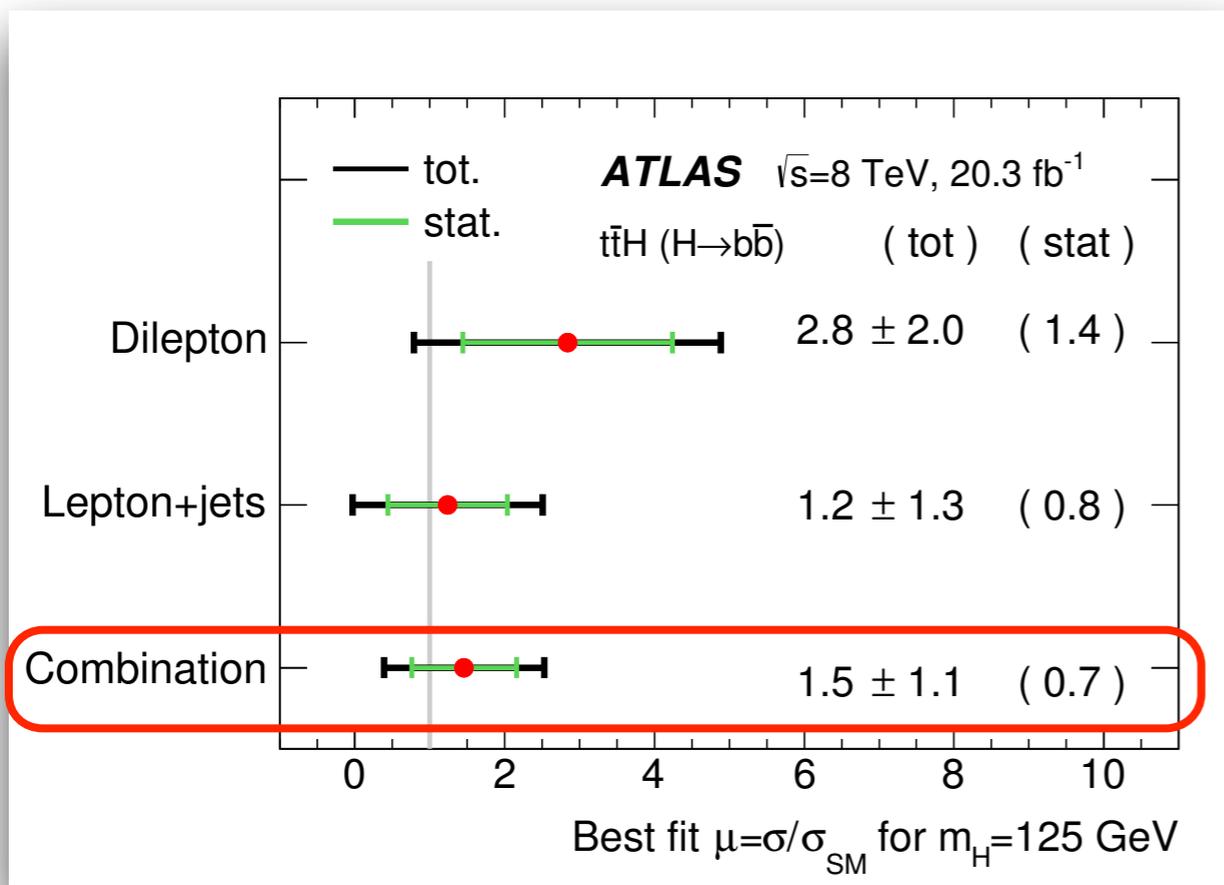
◆ Performing simultaneous profile likelihood fit to all the 15 regions:



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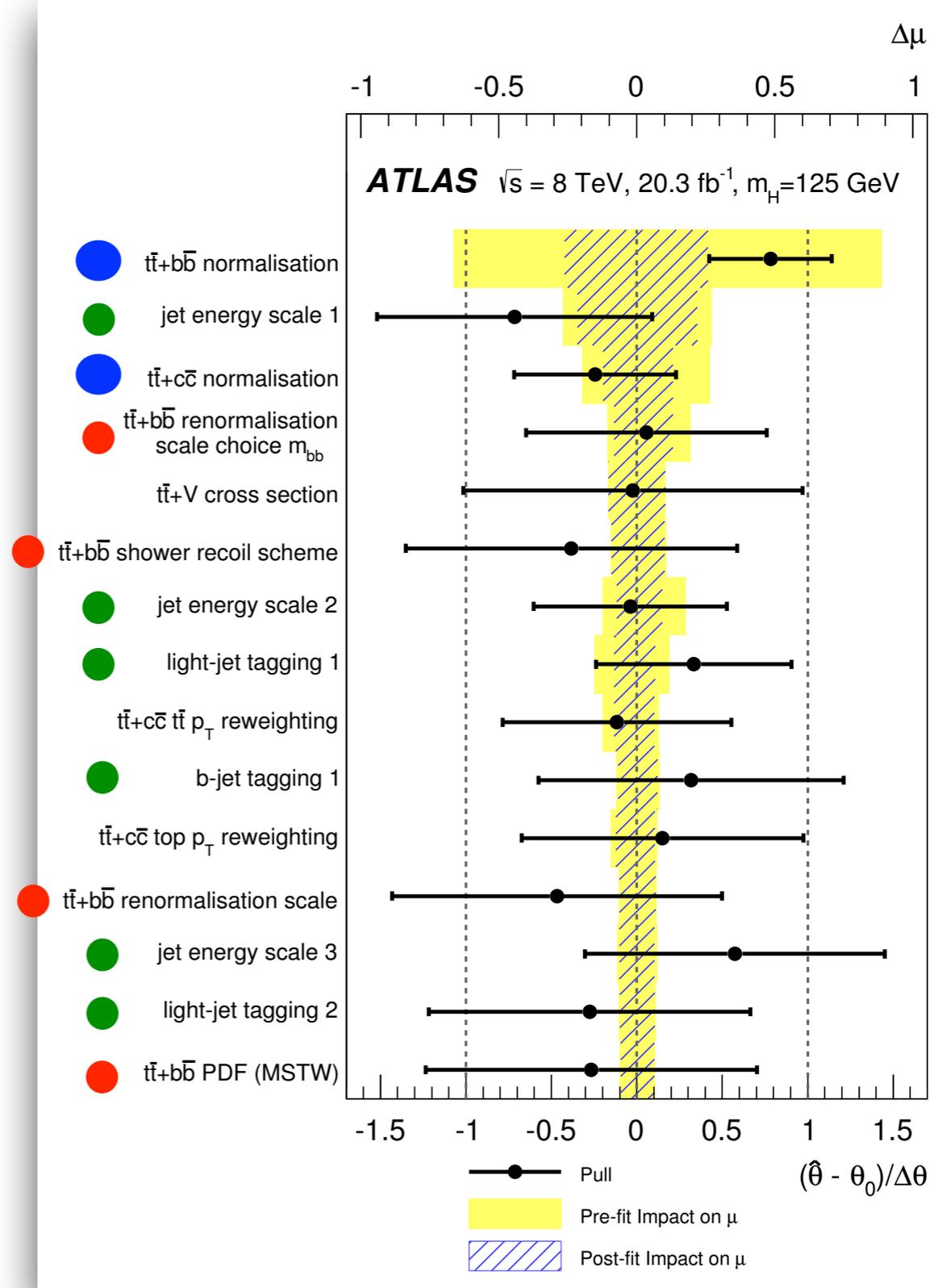


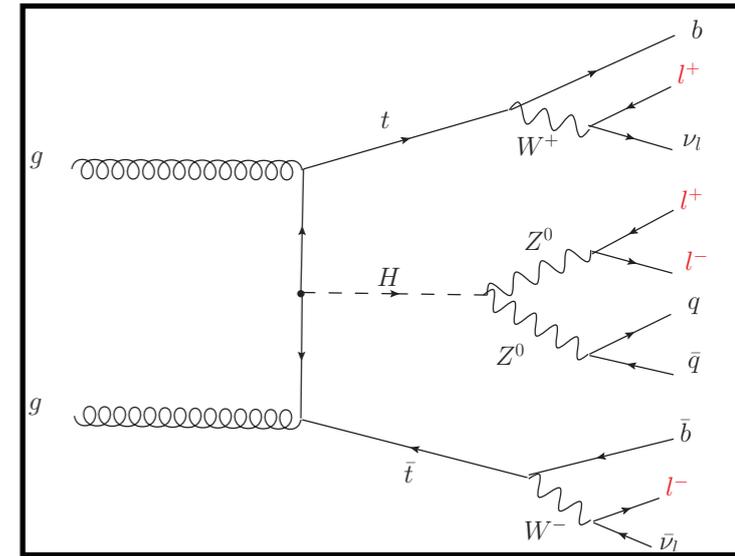
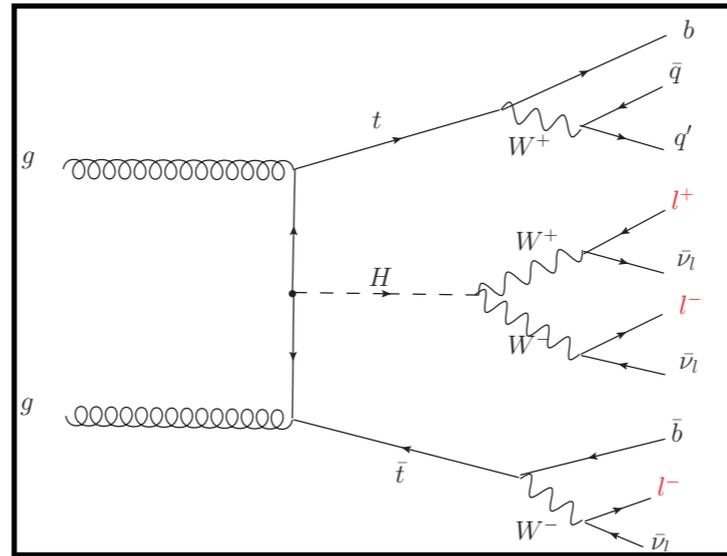
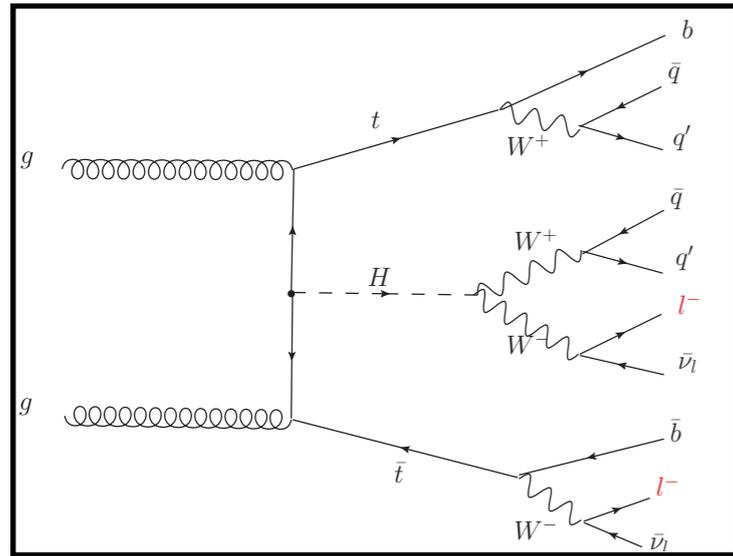
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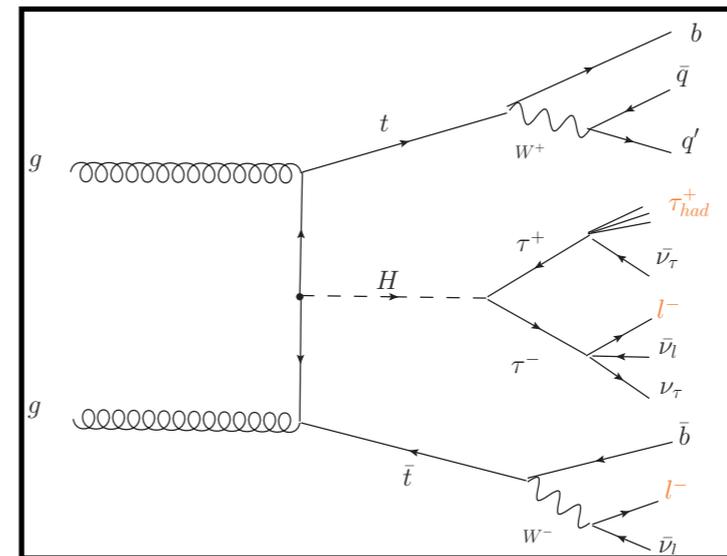
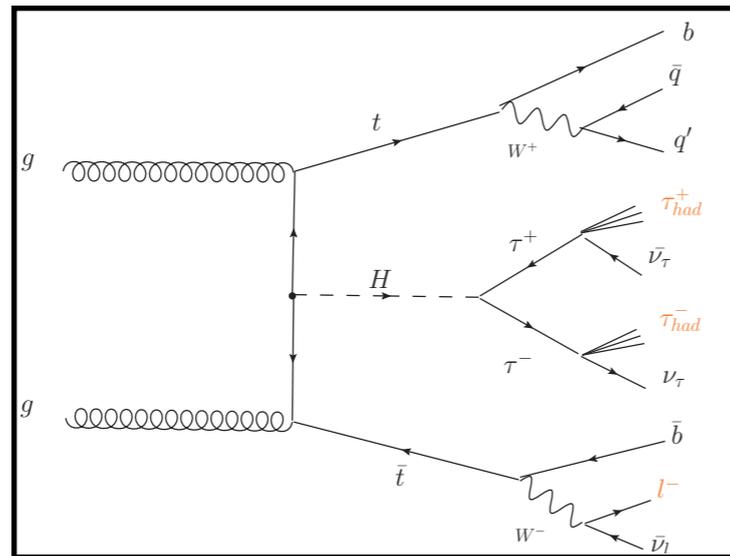
- Analysis dominated by systematic uncertainties:

- normalisation of $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}/t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$ events, $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$ modelling, detector effects (jet energy scale, flavour tagging)





$t\bar{t}H$ multilepton final states



- ◆ 5 different final states with multiple electrons/muons/ (hadronically decaying tau leptons):
 - ◆ consider only combinations that *can not originate from $t\bar{t}$ events* → reducing the largest background
 - ◆ mainly targeting $H \rightarrow WW^*$ and $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ decay modes

Category	Higgs boson decay mode			
	WW^*	$\tau\tau$	ZZ^*	Other
$2\ell 0\tau_{had}$	80%	15%	3%	2%
3ℓ	74%	15%	7%	4%
$2\ell 1\tau_{had}$	35%	62%	2%	1%
4ℓ	69%	14%	14%	4%
$1\ell 2\tau_{had}$	4%	93%	0%	3%

$2\ell 0\tau_{had}$:

- ◆ **same sign (SS)** light lepton pair ($|\eta_{ele}| < 1.37$)
- ◆ ≥ 4 jets, ≥ 1 b-tagged
- ◆ **6 SRs**: $(e^\pm e^\pm, e^\pm \mu^\pm, \mu^\pm \mu^\pm) \otimes (4 \text{ jets}, \geq 5 \text{ jets})$

$1\ell 2\tau_{had}$:

- ◆ opposite sign tau pair
- ◆ ≥ 3 jets, ≥ 1 b-tagged jet
- ◆ **1 SR**: $60 \text{ GeV} < m_{\tau\tau} < 120 \text{ GeV}$

$2\ell 1\tau_{had}$:

- ◆ **same sign** $(e^\pm e^\pm, \mu^\pm \mu^\pm, e^\pm \mu^\pm)$ pair + opposite sign τ_{had}
- ◆ Z veto for $e^\pm e^\pm \tau_{had}$ channel
- ◆ **1 SR**: $(\geq 4 \text{ jets}, \geq 1 \text{ b-jet})$

4ℓ (only electrons and muons):

- ◆ $\Sigma \text{charge} = 0$
- ◆ ≥ 2 jets, ≥ 1 b-tagged jet
- ◆ $100 \text{ GeV} < m_{4\ell} < 500 \text{ GeV}$
- ◆ **2 SRs**: Z-enriched / Z-depleted region with / without opposite sign, same flavour lepton pair

3ℓ (only electrons and muons):

- ◆ $\Sigma |\text{charge}| = 1$
- ◆ Z veto and $m_{ll} > 12 \text{ GeV}$ for opposite sign same flavour pair
- ◆ **2 SRs**: $(\geq 4 \text{ jets}, \geq 1 \text{ b-jet}) + (3 \text{ jets}, \geq 2 \text{ b-jets})$

$t\bar{t}+Z$: dominant background in 3ℓ , 4ℓ and $2\ell 1\tau_{had}$ channels

- ♦ estimated from MC: 5% - 30% norm uncertainties (generators comparison)
- ♦ validation region from 3ℓ selection with on-shell Z

dibosons: subdominant prompt lepton background

- ♦ validation from 3 lepton region with 0-1 b-jets (<4jets)
- ♦ 100% uncertainty on WZ+b

$t\bar{t}+W$: dominant background in $2\ell 0\tau_{had}$, $2\ell 1\tau_{had}$

- ♦ estimated from MC: 5% - 30% norm uncertainties (generators comparison)
- ♦ validation from 2l SS (2-3 jets, ≥ 2 b-jets)

non-prompt (light) leptons: important background in $2\ell 0\tau_{had}$, $2\ell 1\tau_{had}$

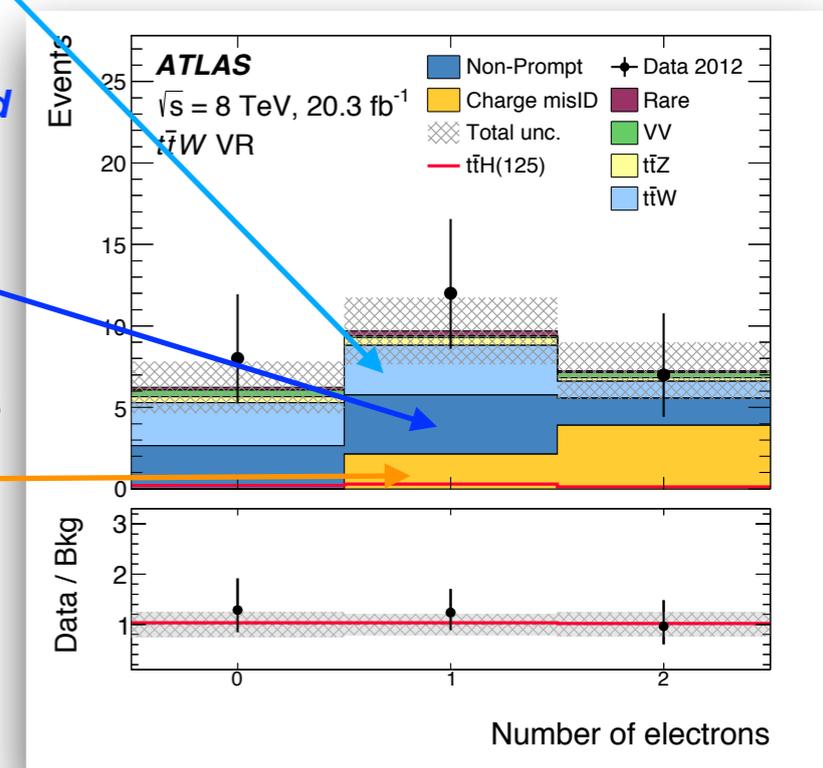
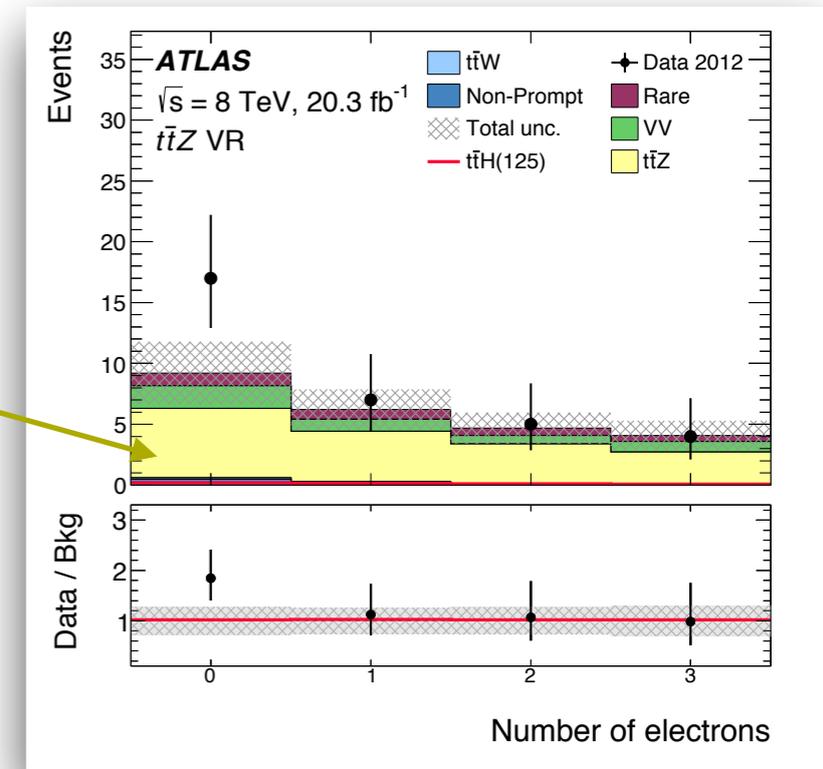
- ♦ mainly from b-jets in $t\bar{t}$ events
- ♦ fake rate estimated from data in control regions

charge mis-ID leptons: only important for SS analyses with electrons

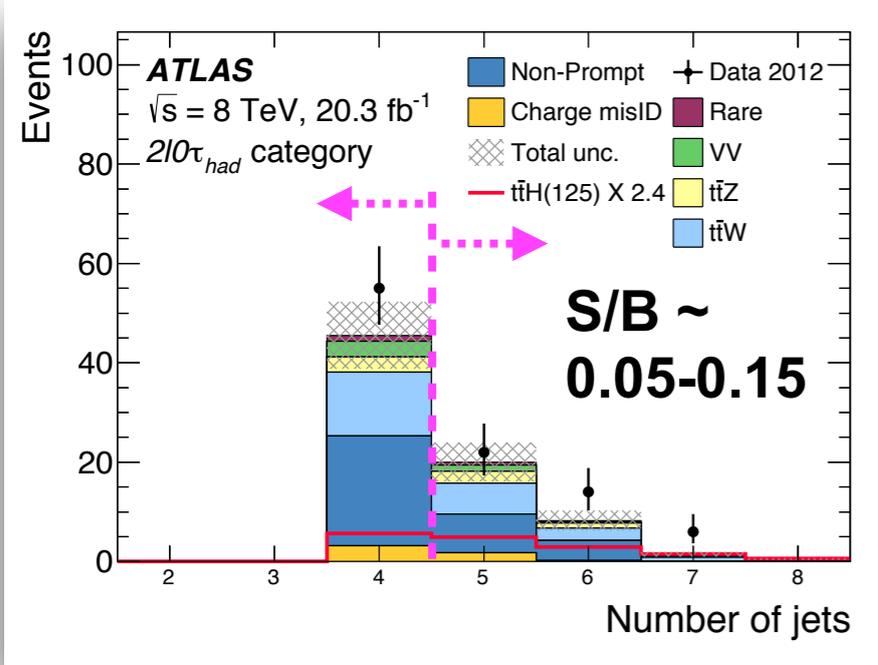
- ♦ charge misID rate extracted from same sign events in Z peak

fake taus (from jets): dominant background in $1\ell 2\tau_{had}$ channel

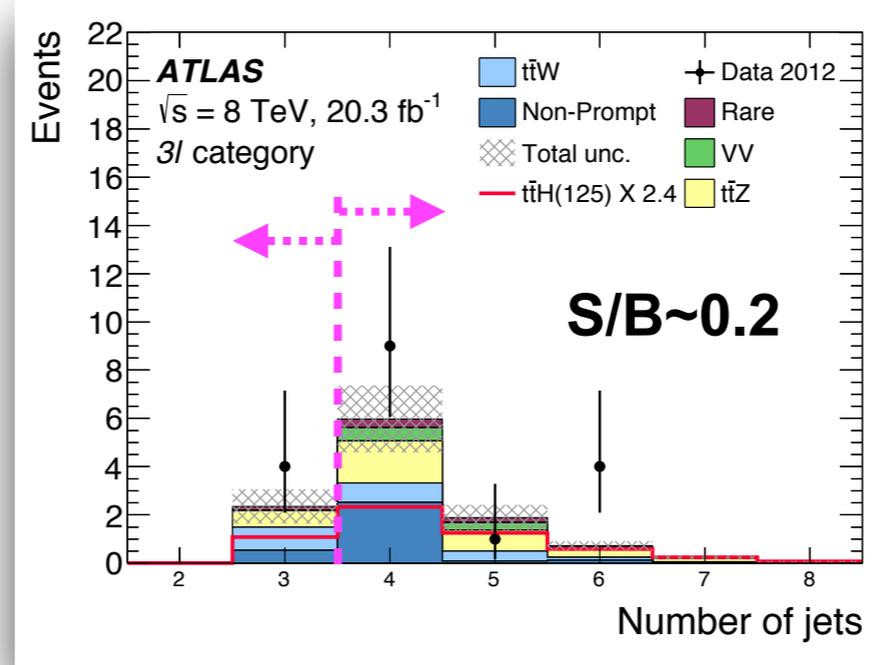
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- ♦ validated in data (changing charge requirement + looser tau ID)



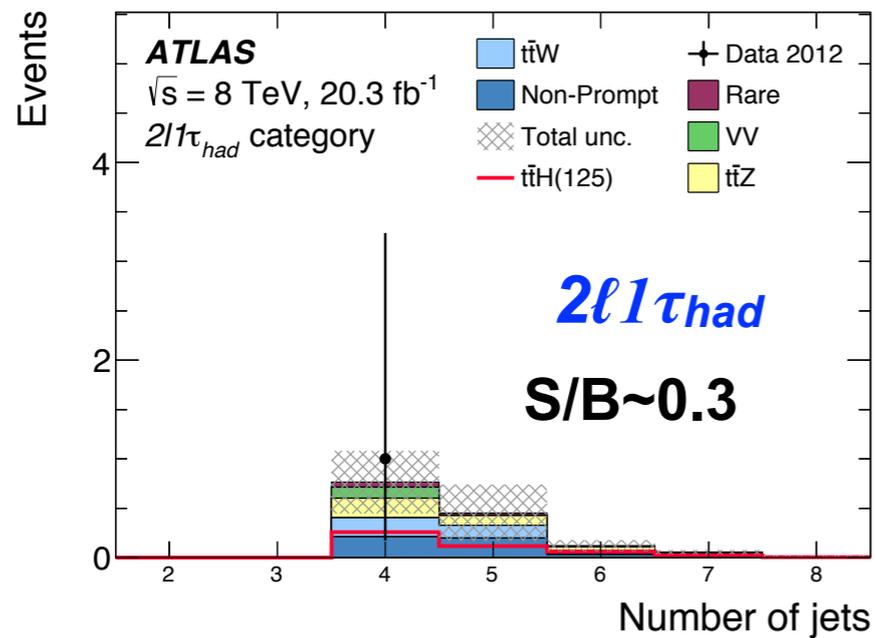
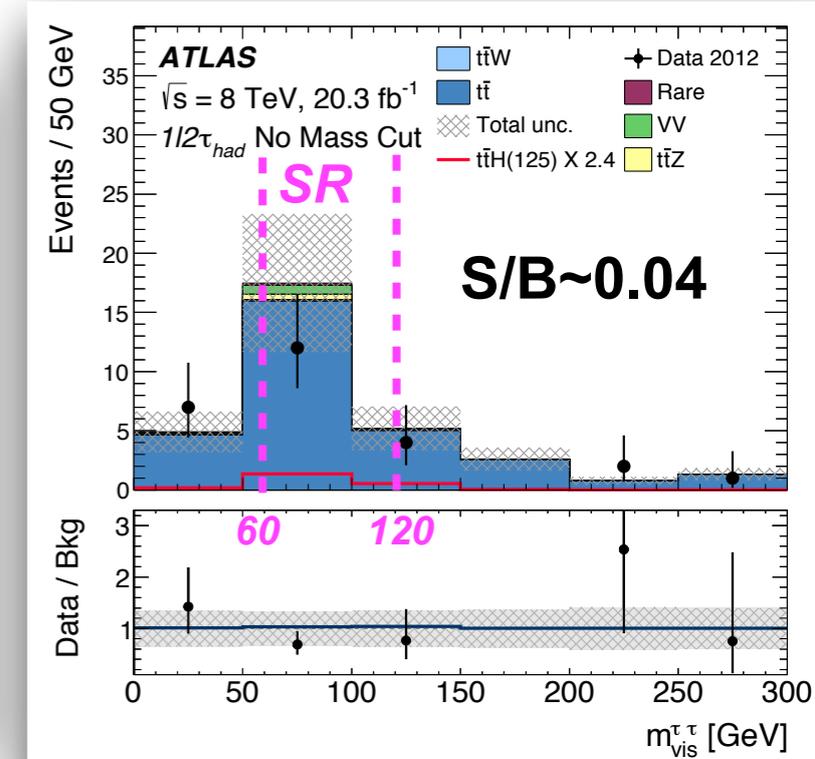
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3ℓ

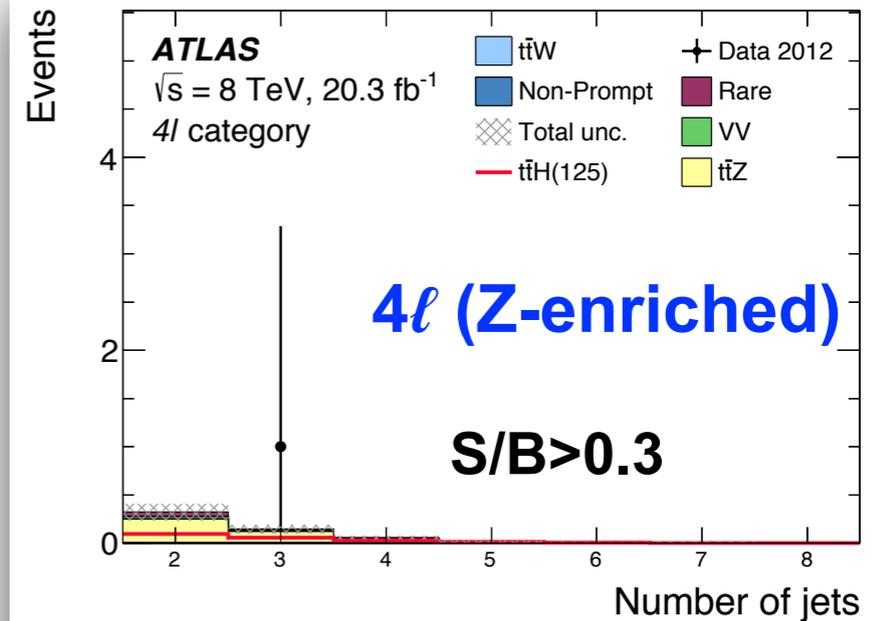


$1\ell 2\tau_{had}$



$2\ell 1\tau_{had}$

$S/B \sim 0.3$



4ℓ (Z-enriched)

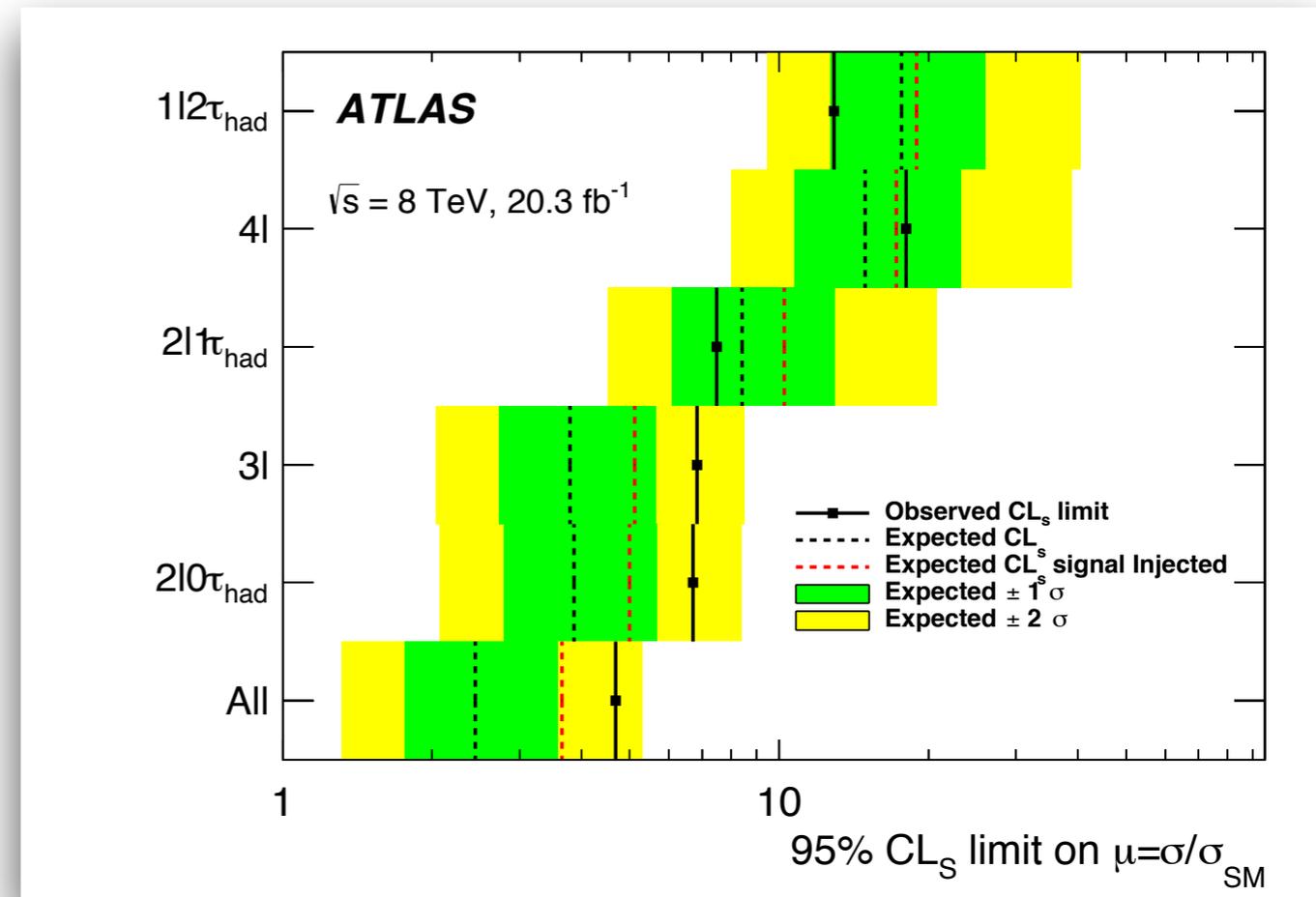
$S/B > 0.3$

◆ Results obtained from a simultaneous fit in all the channels (no shape information used):

- ◆ sensitivity dominated by $2\ell 0\tau_{had}$ and 3ℓ analyses
- ◆ combination performed assuming SM Higgs boson branching ratios

◆ Best fit signal strength:

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}H} / \sigma_{t\bar{t}H}^{SM} = 2.1^{+1.4}_{-1.2} [^{+1.1}_{-1.0}(stat.)]$$



Source	$\Delta\mu$	
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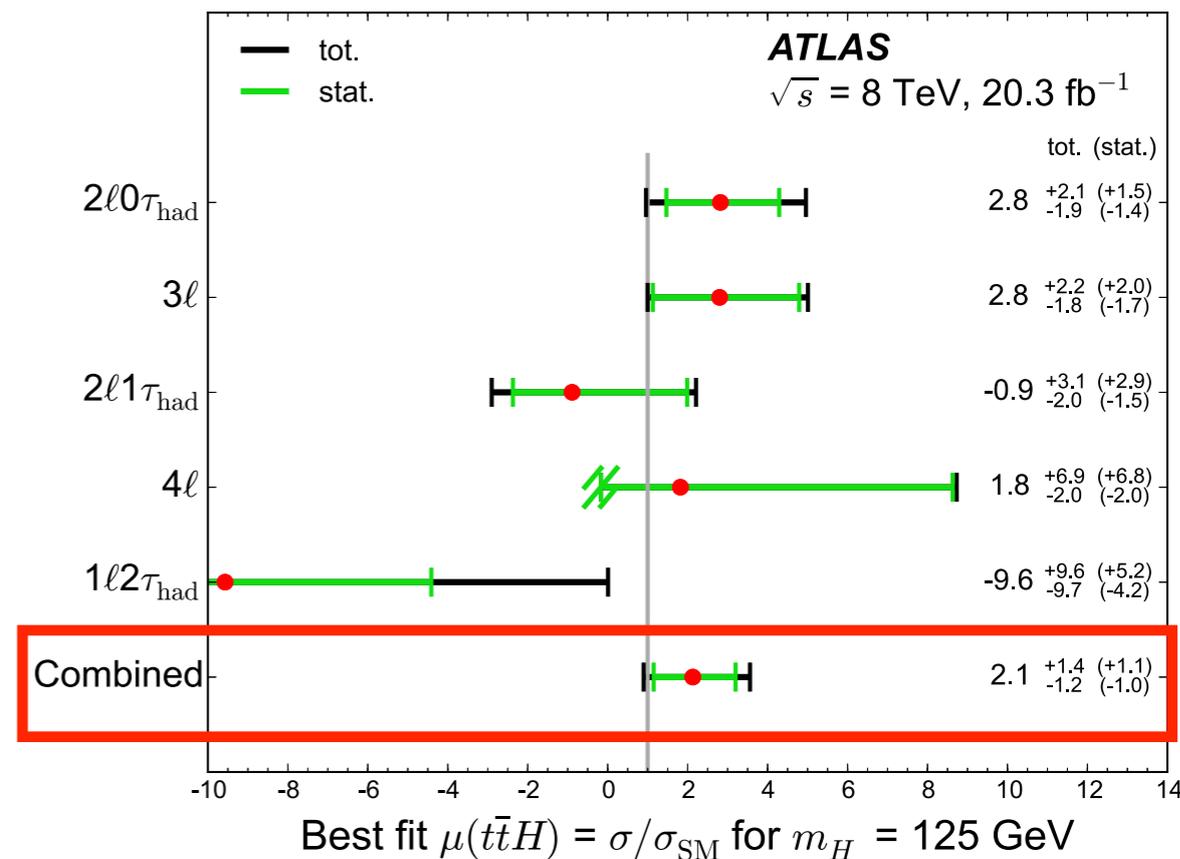
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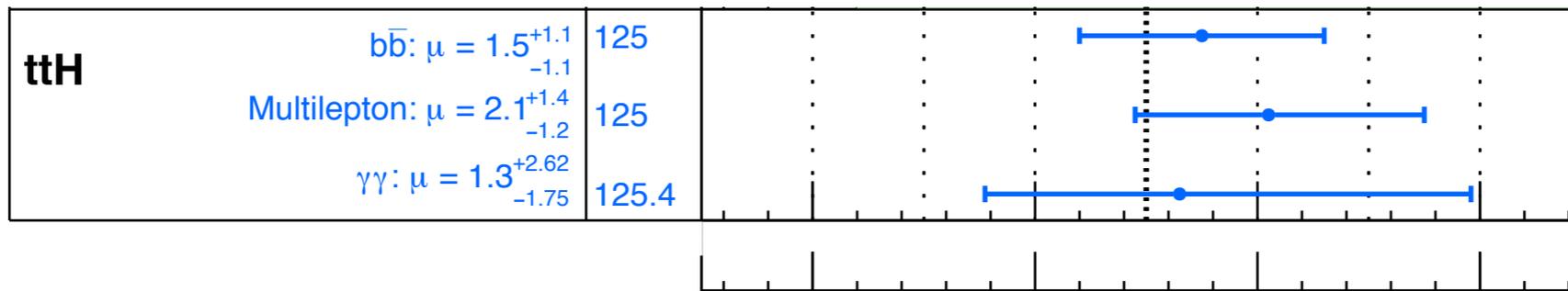
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A lot more info in yesterday's talk by K. Grimm

ATLAS

Individual analysis

Input measurements
 $\pm 1\sigma$ on μ



$\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV, 4.5-4.7 fb⁻¹

$\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV, 20.3 fb⁻¹

Signal strength (μ)

◆ Results from: [arXiv:1507.04548](https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.04548) (submitted to EPJC)

“Measurements of the Higgs boson production and decay rates and coupling strengths using pp collision data at sqrt(s) = 7 and 8 TeV in the ATLAS experiment”

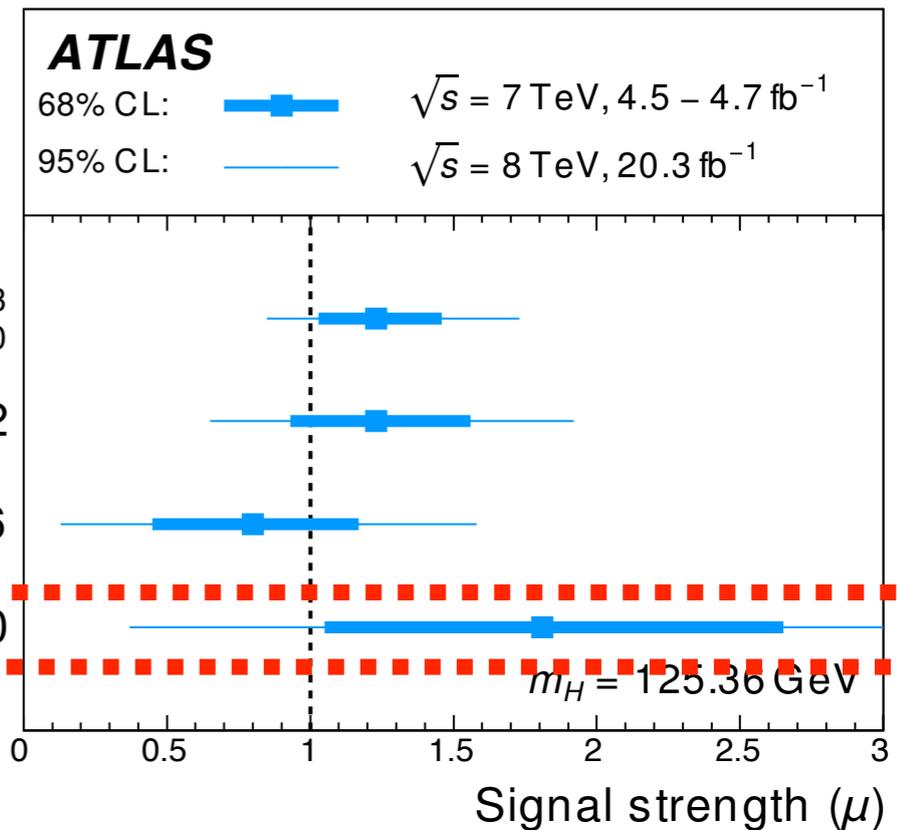
- ◆ $t\bar{t}H$ combination as part of the ATLAS Higgs coupling combination:
 - ◆ correlation with other Higgs analyses not so large
- ◆ Probing different Higgs production modes individually:
 - ◆ *assuming SM Higgs boson branching ratios*

$$\mu_{ggF} = 1.23^{+0.23}_{-0.20}$$

$$\mu_{VBF} = 1.23 \pm 0.32$$

$$\mu_{VH} = 0.80 \pm 0.36$$

$$\mu_{t\bar{t}H} = 1.81 \pm 0.80$$



	<i>observed</i>	<i>expected</i>
<i>signal significance</i>	2.5 s.d.	1.5 s.d.
<i>95% upper limit on σ</i>	3.2	1.4

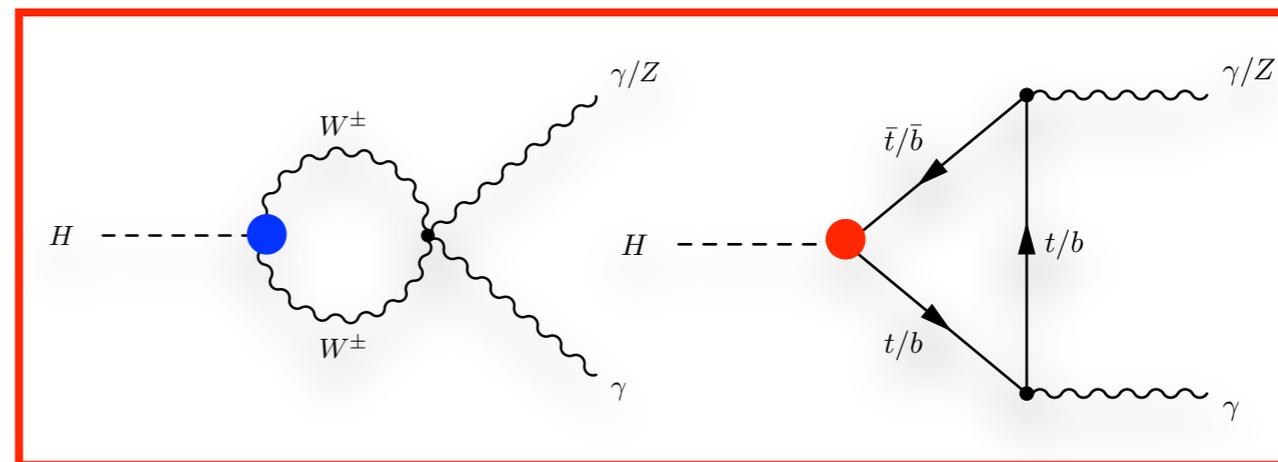
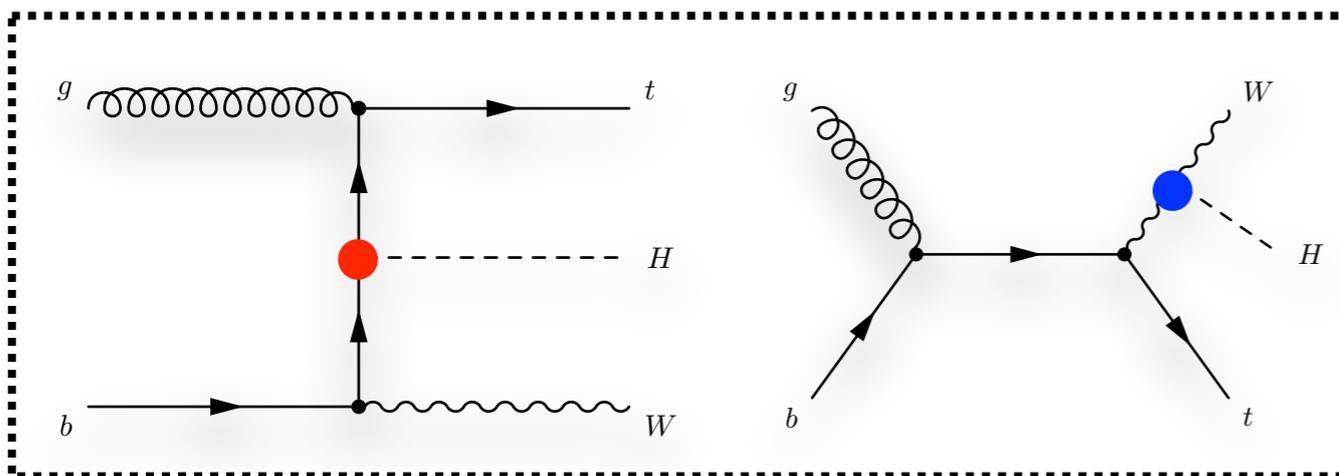
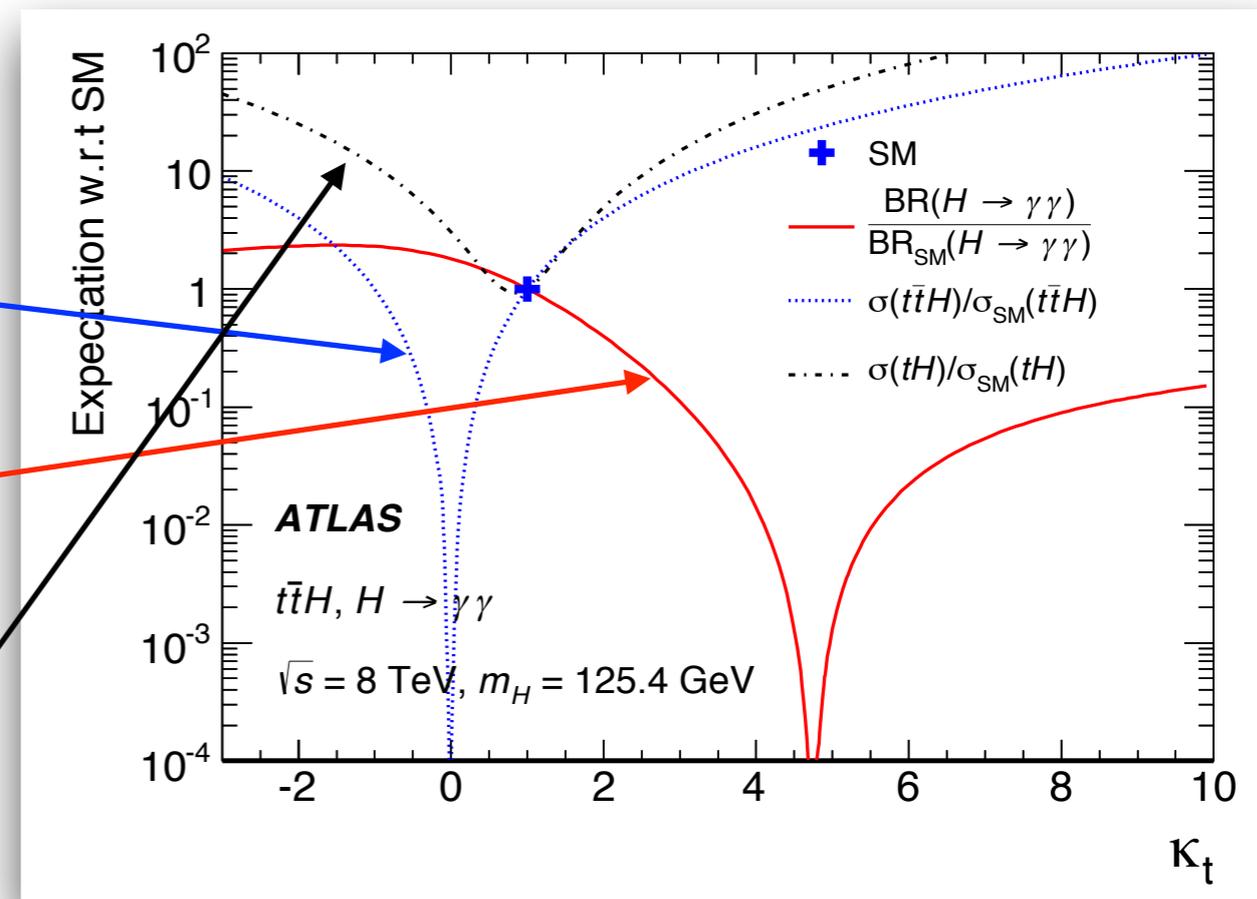
- ◆ Good complementarity of the various analyses, very little correlation
- ◆ *Large gain from the combination*: factor 2 better than single most sensitive channel

- ◆ Very similar result if simultaneously fitting for Higgs BR (mainly determined by other non $t\bar{t}H$ analyses)

◆ **Coupling fit:** assuming coupling to each SM particle can be modified by factor κ_i ($Y_t = \kappa_t Y_t^{\text{SM}}$)

◆ What processes are sensitive to κ_t ?

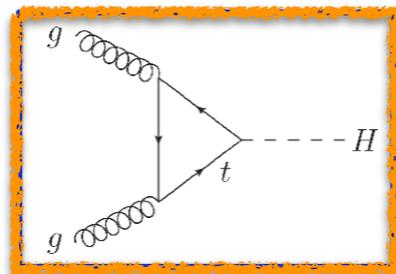
- ◆ **$t\bar{t}H$ cross section:** $\propto (\kappa_t)^2$
- ◆ **ggF cross section:** $\propto (\kappa_t)^2$ (but through loop)
- ◆ **$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decay:** interference between top quark and W-boson contribution in the loop.
- ◆ **ZH production and $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$:** interference between top quark and W-boson contribution in the loop.
- ◆ **single top +Higgs boson (tH) production:** interference between top-mediated and W-mediated diagrams.



◆ $t\bar{t}H$ ($H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$) given the relatively large tH contribution has sensitivity to the sign of κ_t

◆ Sensitivity to κ_t strongly depends on the assumptions on the contribution from loop diagrams.

◆ **“resolved loops”** scenario:



◆ only SM particles contribute to the loop diagrams

◆ no new particles that the Higgs boson can decay into ($\text{Br}_i=0$)

◆ **strong sensitivity on κ_t mainly coming from $ggF H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analysis**

$$\kappa_t = 0.94 \pm 0.21$$

◆ **“No resolved loops”** scenario:

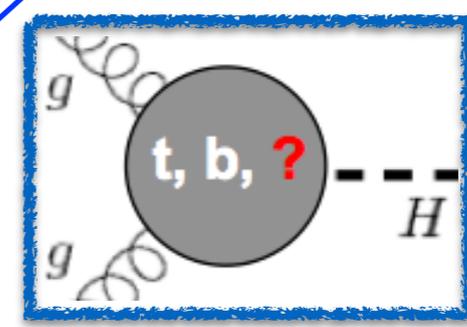
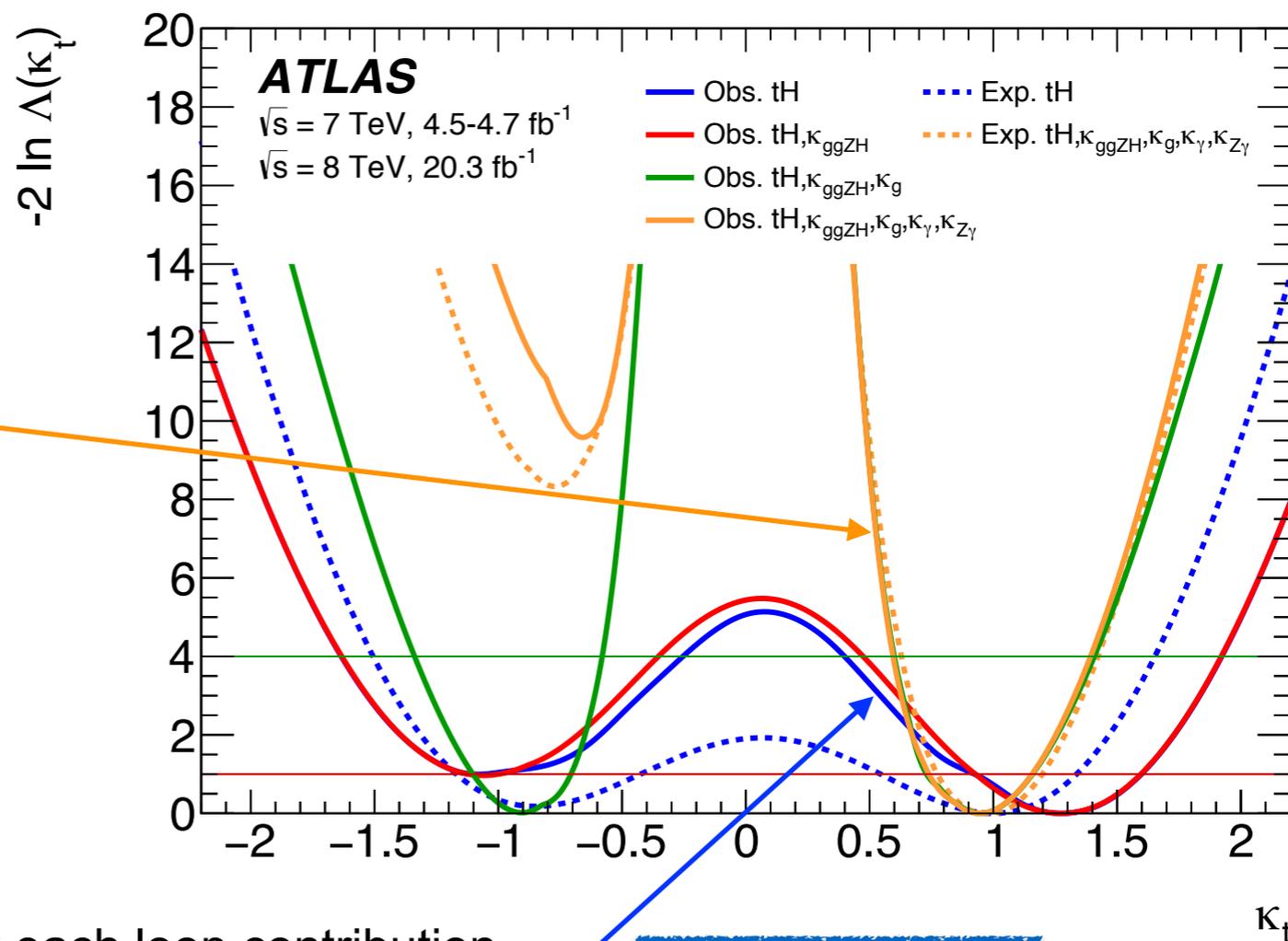
◆ allowing BSM effects to modify independently each loop contribution.

◆ independent κ -modifier for $\gamma\gamma$, gg , and $Z\gamma$ vertices)

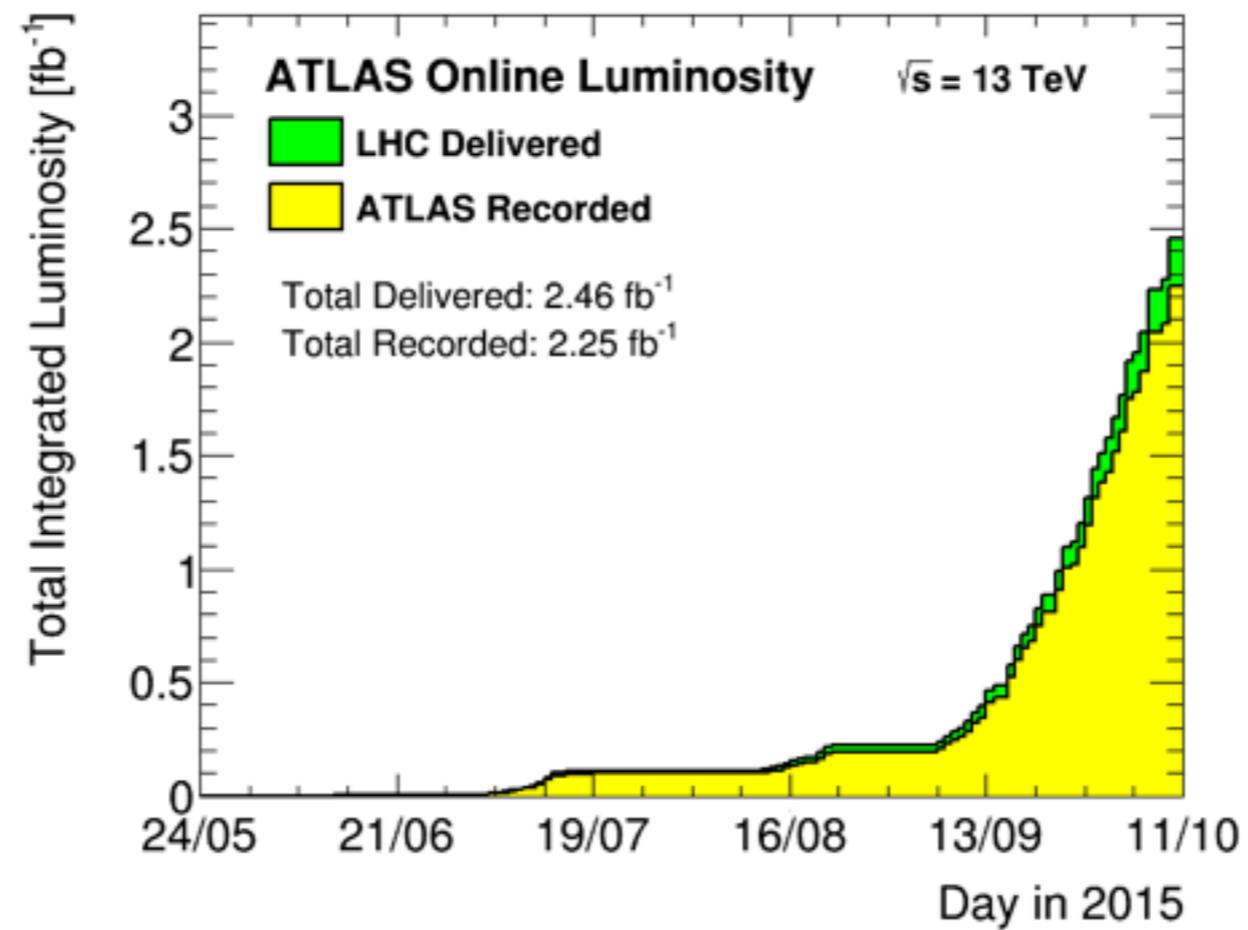
◆ still no new particles the Higgs boson can decay into ($\text{Br}_i=0$)

◆ **sensitivity on κ_t completely dominated by $t\bar{t}H$ analyses**

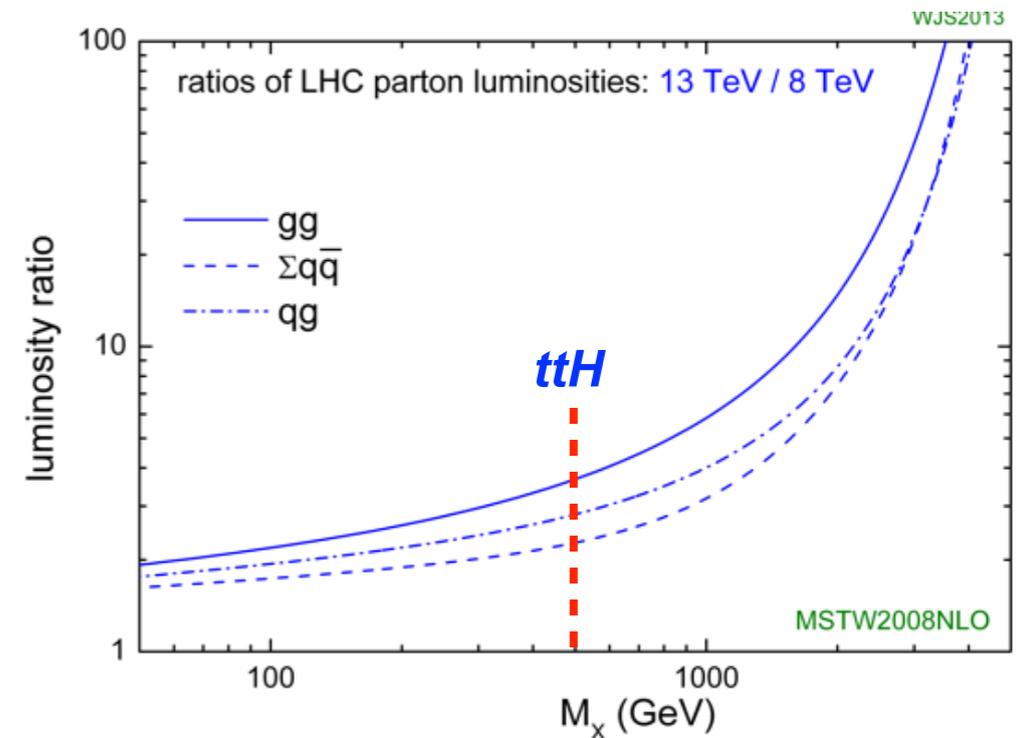
$$\kappa_t \in [-1.12, -1.00] \cup [0.93, 1.60]$$



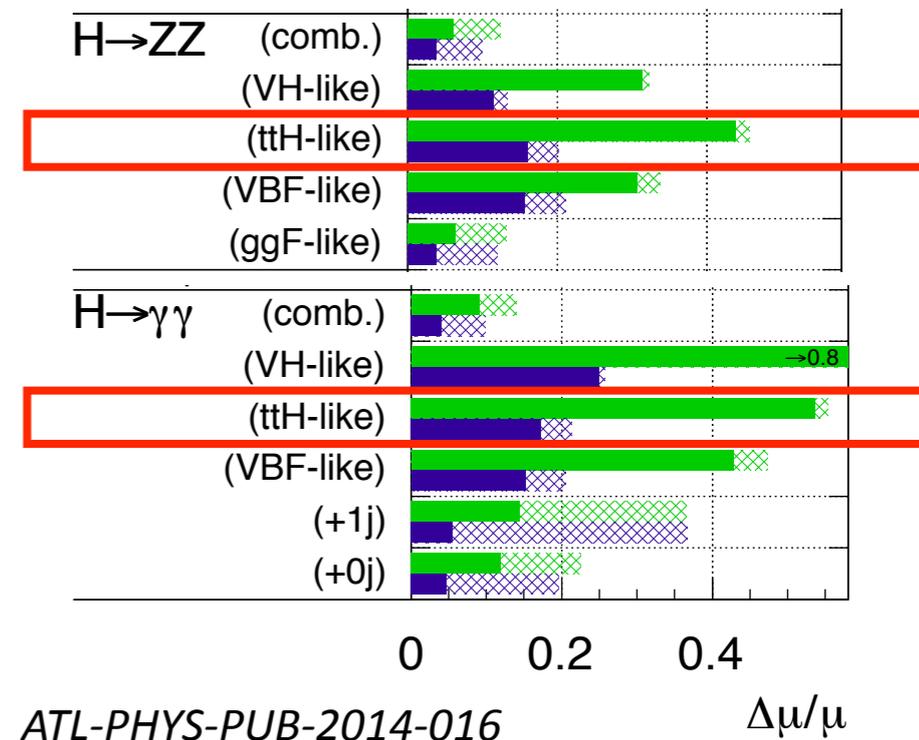
Run2 prospects



- ◆ **LHC Run2:** 13 TeV centre of mass energy, up to 4 (30) fb⁻¹ collected by the end of 2015 (2016)
- ◆ Cross section increase (8TeV -> 13TeV):
 - ◆ ***tt̄H: 3.9 . The largest increase of all Higgs boson production modes***
 - ◆ *tt̄+X:* `only' 3.3 but effective S/B will depend on kinematics
- ◆ **Statistically limited** analyses will directly profit from cross section and luminosity increase:
 - ◆ expected 50% (40%) error on σ/σ_{SM} for $tt̄H$ $H\gamma\gamma$ ($H\rightarrow ZZ\rightarrow 4l$) with 300 fb⁻¹
- ◆ With more statistics, more sophisticated techniques will be applicable:
 - ◆ further categorisation to increase signal sensitivity
 - ◆ better handling of backgrounds: recent Run1 measurements of $tt̄+bb$ and $tt̄+V$
 - ◆ MVA techniques in multilepton analyses
 - ◆ promising results from boosted scenario in $tt̄H$ ($H\rightarrow b\bar{b}$) [[arXiv:0910.5472](https://arxiv.org/abs/0910.5472)]

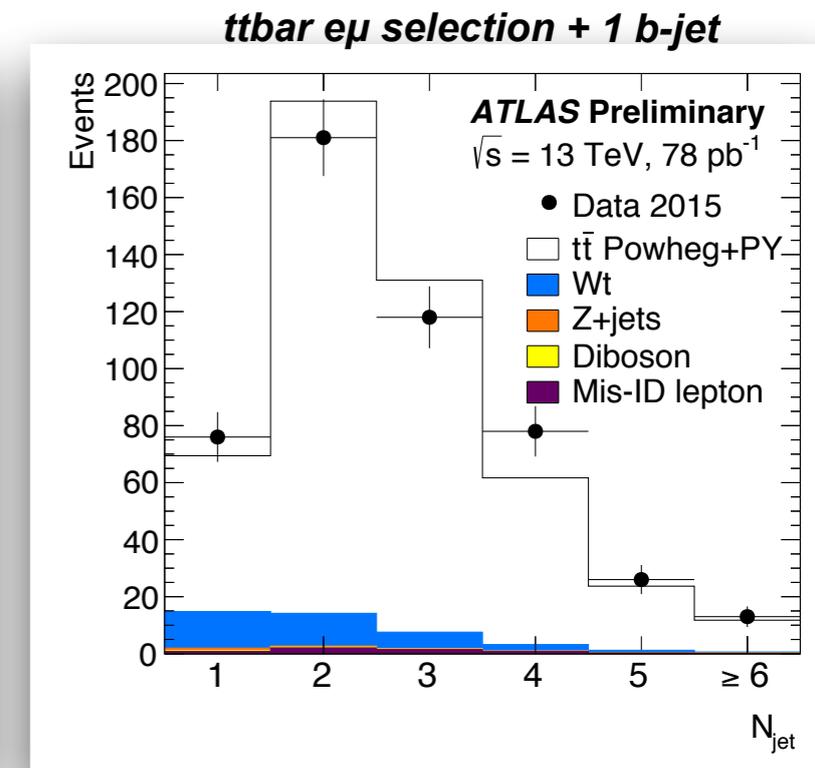
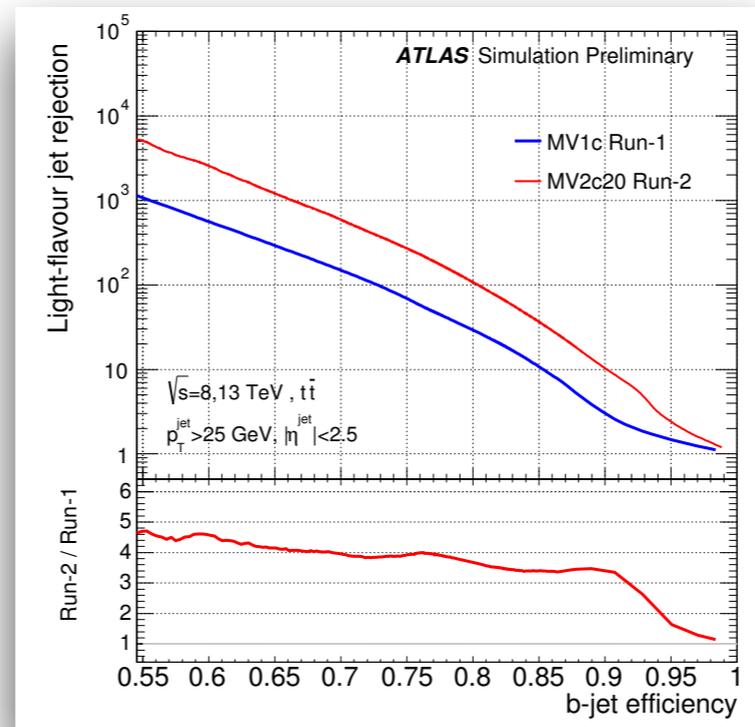


ATLAS Simulation Preliminary
 $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV: $\int L dt = 300$ fb⁻¹ ; $\int L dt = 3000$ fb⁻¹



- ◆ In Run1, ATLAS has performed the search for $t\bar{t}H$ production in a broad spectrum of final states:
 - ◆ all the main Higgs boson decay modes have been considered
 - ◆ combination of the analyses is very effective in increasing sensitivity
- ◆ **“No significant excess over background only prediction”**:
 - ◆ best fit signal strength: $\mu_{t\bar{t}H} = 1.81 \pm 0.80$
 - ◆ at 95% CL: $\sigma_{t\bar{t}H}/\sigma_{t\bar{t}H}^{SM} < 3.2$ (expected < 1.2)
 - ◆ already providing important information to constrain BSM Higgs properties in generic models

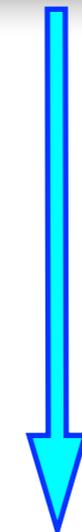
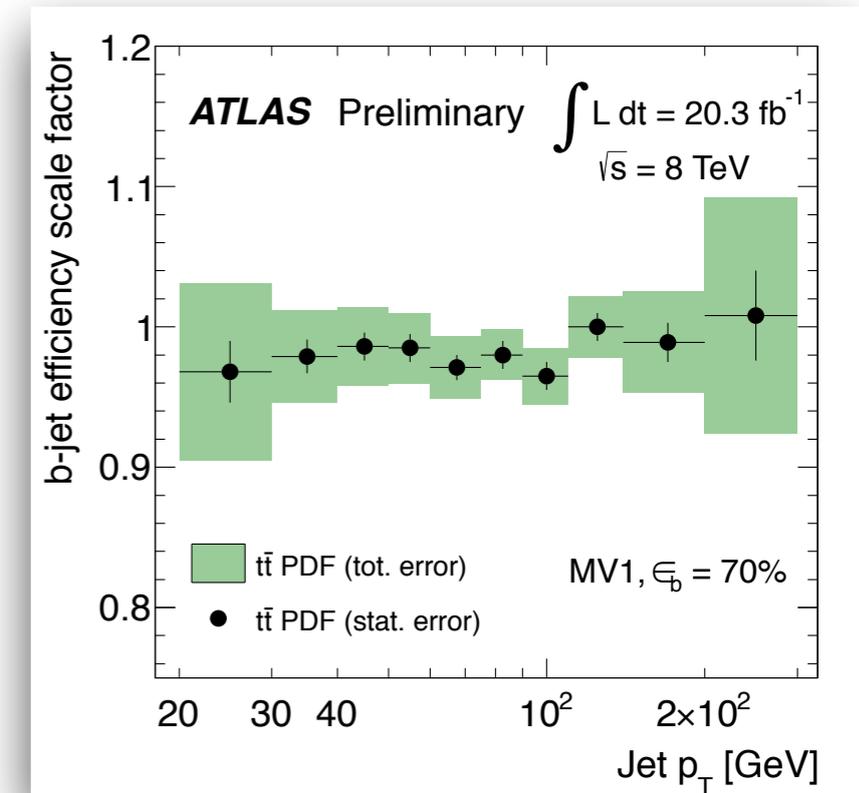
- ◆ Excellent prospects for Run2:
 - ◆ *x4 cross section increase*
 - ◆ *better detector*: additional pixel layer strongly enhance b-tagging performance
 - ◆ more than 2 fb^{-1} of 13 TeV data already collected: *understanding of backgrounds* has already started



The observation of $t\bar{t}H$ is one of the main ATLAS priorities for Run2

BackUp

- ◆ Good control on leptons and photons reconstruction/identifications
- ◆ Generally requiring large number of central ($|\eta| < 2.5$) jets in the final state
- ◆ *b-jets always present in $t\bar{t}$ decay*: very precise understanding of the b-tagging efficiency in data
- ◆ **“Divide et impera”**: using multiple analysis regions:
 - ◆ *increasing signal acceptance, exploits different S/B (S/\sqrt{B}) in each region*
 - ◆ *constrain/validate background estimates*
 - ◆ *control/constrain analysis systematic uncertainties*
 - ◆ *use shape discriminants so improve signal sensitivity*
- ◆ Backgrounds estimations:
 - ◆ *irreducible backgrounds*: relying on MC (NLO generators) + data-driven normalisation
 - ◆ *reducible backgrounds*: as data-driven as possible (inputs from CR, other analyses,)

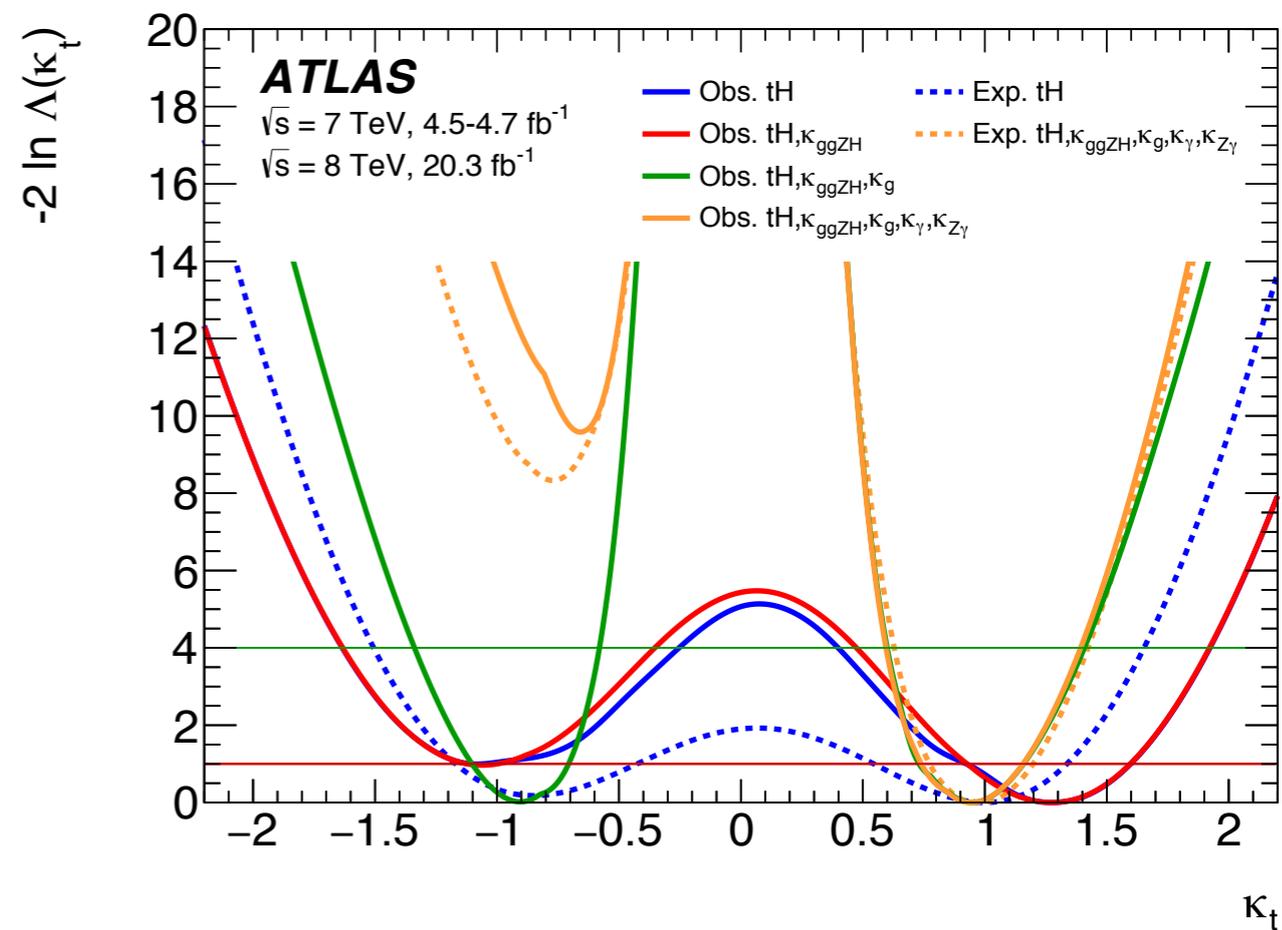
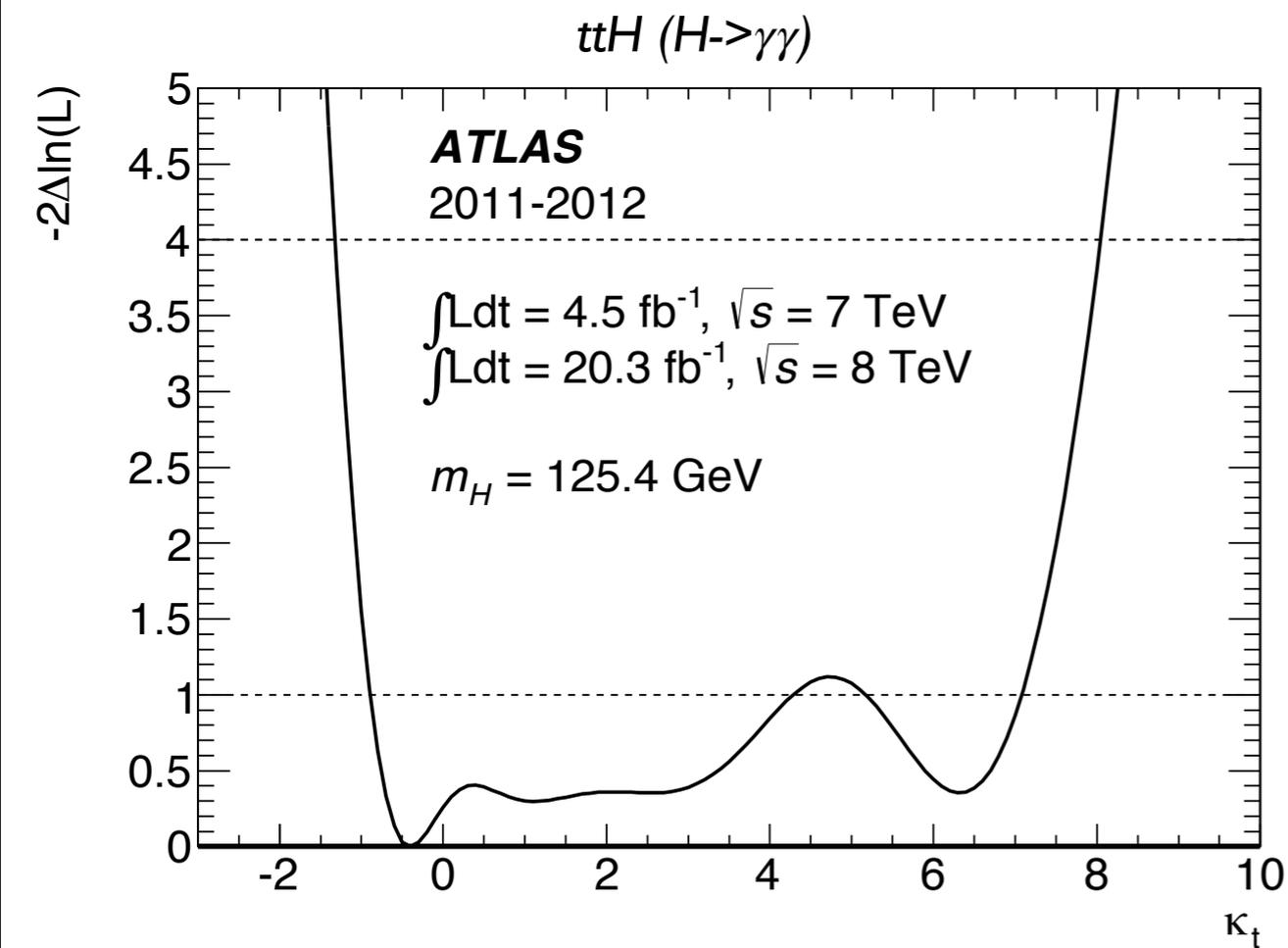


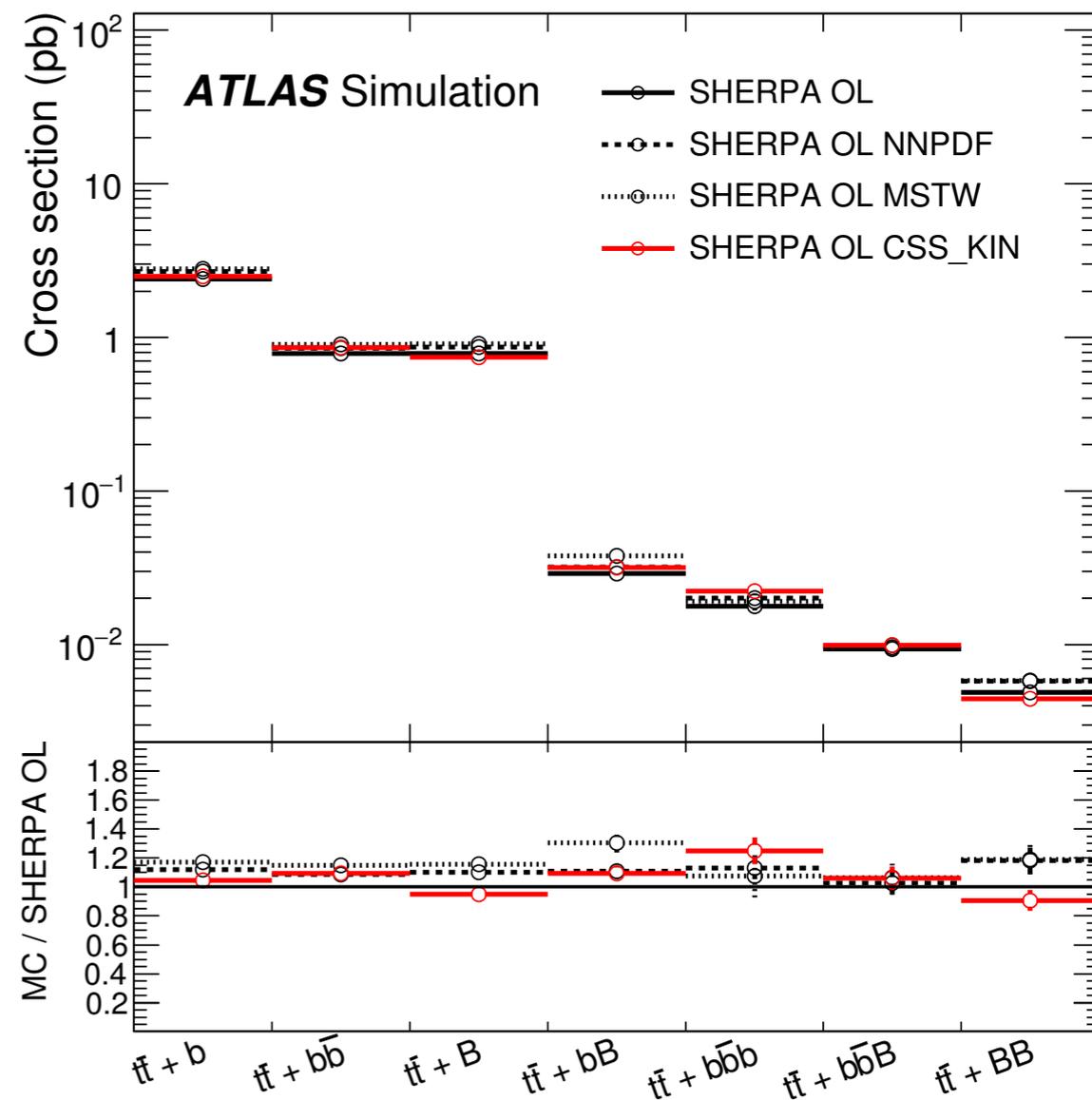
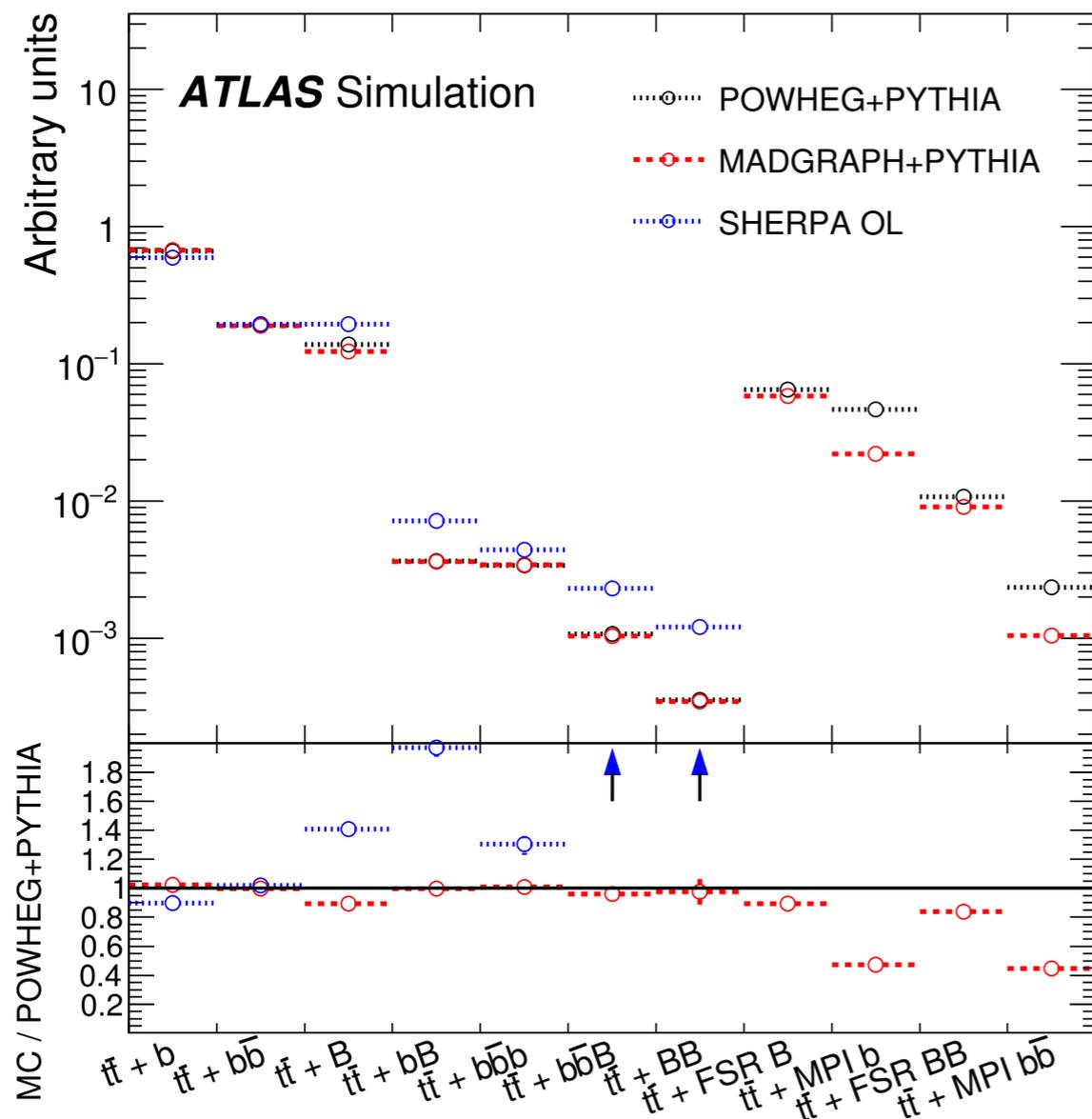
**increasing
available
statistics**

Production process	Event generator	Showering program	PDF set
ggF	POWHEG	PYTHIA6/PYTHIA8	CT10
VBF	POWHEG	PYTHIA6/PYTHIA8	CT10
WH	PYTHIA8	PYTHIA8	CTEQ6L1
$ZH : q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZH$	PYTHIA8	PYTHIA8	CTEQ6L1
$ZH : gg \rightarrow ZH$	POWHEG	PYTHIA8	CT10
ttH	POWHEG	PYTHIA8	CT10
bbH	MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO	HERWIG++	CT10
$tH : qb \rightarrow tHq'$	MADGRAPH	PYTHIA8	CT10
$tH : gb \rightarrow WtH$	MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO	HERWIG++	CT10

	$t\bar{t}H$ [%]		tH_{qb} [%]		WtH [%]		ggF [%]	WH [%]
	had.	lep.	had.	lep.	had.	lep.	had.	lep.
Luminosity	± 1.8							
Photons	± 10.0	± 10.0	± 10.0	± 10.0	± 10.0	± 10.0	± 10.0	± 10.0
Leptons	< 0.1	± 0.7	< 0.1	± 0.7	< 0.1	± 0.6	< 0.1	± 0.7
Jets and E_T^{miss}	± 9.1	± 1.6	± 19	± 2.4	± 13	± 2.9	± 30	± 10
Bkg. modeling	0.12 evt.	0.01 evt.	applied on the sum of all Higgs boson production processes					
Theory ($\sigma \times BR$)	$+10, -13$		$+8, -7$		$+12, -12$		$+11, -12$	$+5.5, -5.5$
MC Modeling	± 11	± 3.3	± 12	± 4.4	± 13	± 5.2	± 130	± 100

◆ Analysis with unique sensitivity to κ_t





◆ **b**: truth jet ($p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.5$) matched to a SINGLE b-hadron (not from $t\bar{t}$ decay)

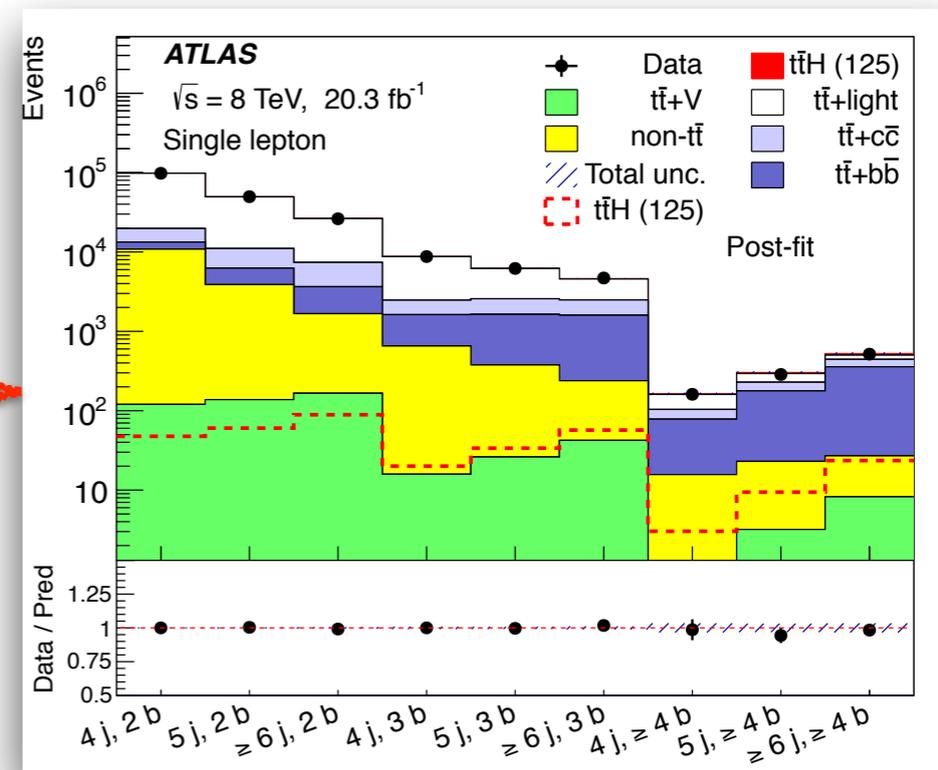
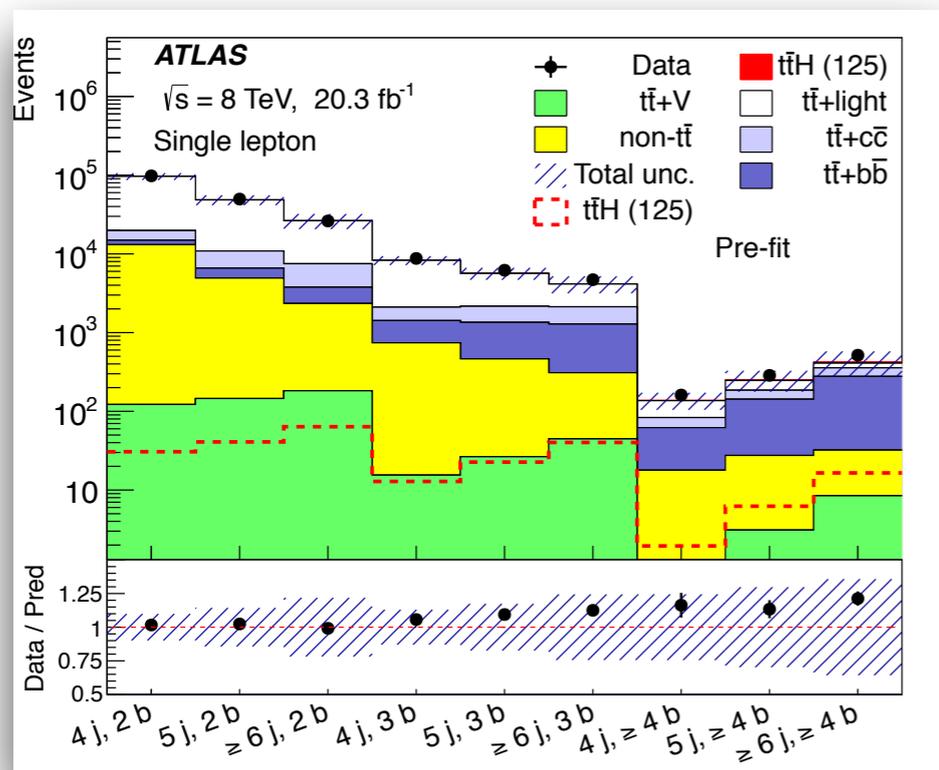
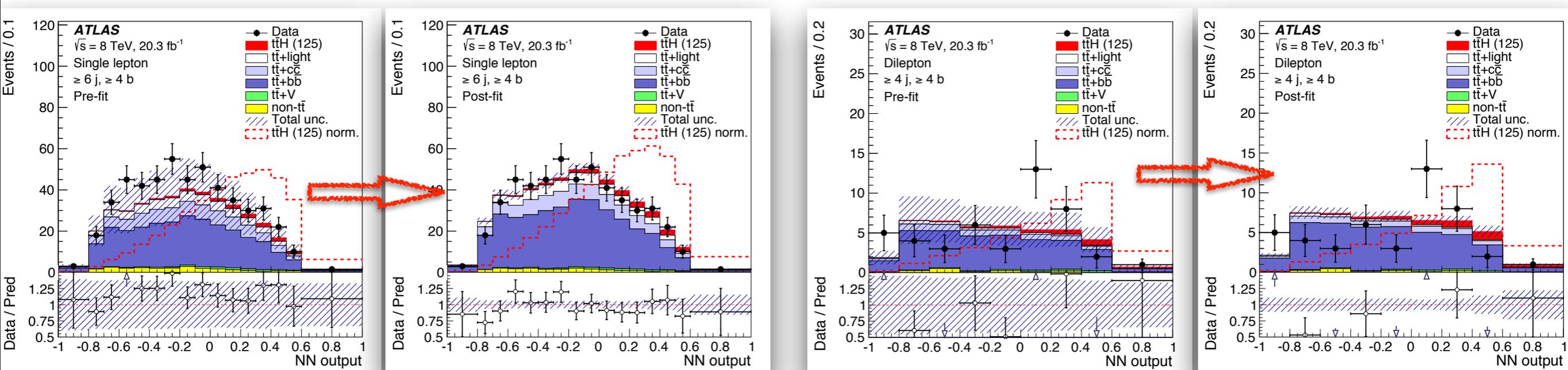
◆ **B**: truth jet ($p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.5$) matched to multiple b-hadrons (not from $t\bar{t}$ decay). Gluon splitting

l +jets

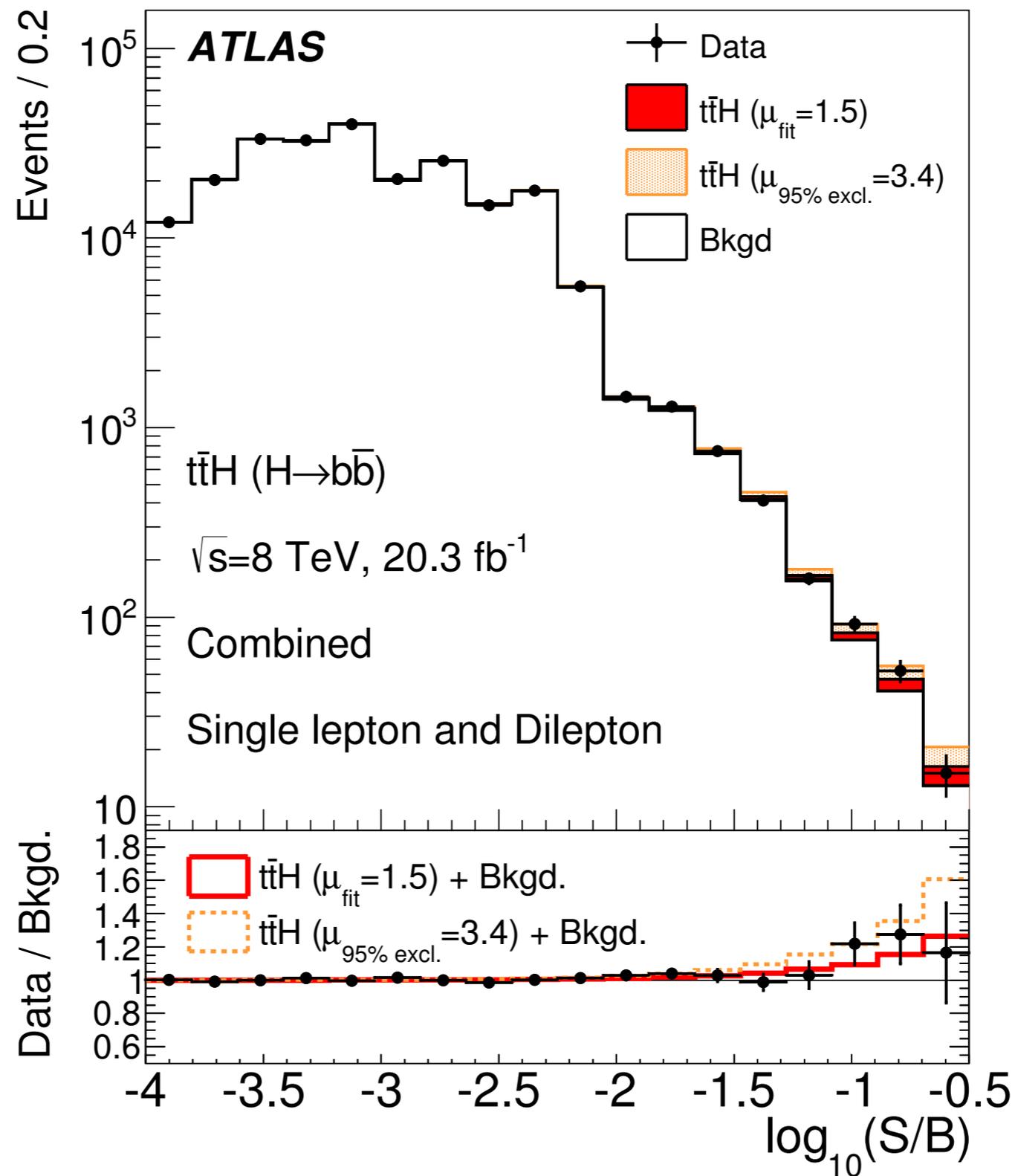
di-lepton

Variable	Definition	NN rank			
		$\geq 6j, \geq 4b$	$\geq 6j, 3b$	$5j, \geq 4b$	$5j, 3b$
$D1$	Neyman–Pearson MEM discriminant (Eq. (4))	1	10	-	-
Centrality	Scalar sum of the p_T divided by sum of the E for all jets and the lepton	2	2	1	-
$p_T^{\text{jet}5}$	p_T of the fifth leading jet	3	7	-	-
$H1$	Second Fox–Wolfram moment computed using all jets and the lepton	4	3	2	-
$\Delta R_{bb}^{\text{avg}}$	Average ΔR for all b -tagged jet pairs	5	6	5	-
SSLL	Logarithm of the summed signal likelihoods (Eq. (2))	6	4	-	-
$m_{bb}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of the two b -tagged jets with the smallest ΔR	7	12	4	4
$m_{bj}^{\text{max } p_T}$	Mass of the combination of a b -tagged jet and any jet with the largest vector sum p_T	8	8	-	-
$\Delta R_{bb}^{\text{max } p_T}$	ΔR between the two b -tagged jets with the largest vector sum p_T	9	-	-	-
$\Delta R_{\text{lep}-bb}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	ΔR between the lepton and the combination of the two b -tagged jets with the smallest ΔR	10	11	10	-
$m_{uu}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of the two untagged jets with the smallest ΔR	11	9	-	2
$A_{\text{plan}_{b\text{-jet}}}$	$1.5\lambda_2$, where λ_2 is the second eigenvalue of the momentum tensor[92] built with only b -tagged jets	12	-	8	-
N_{40}^{jet}	Number of jets with $p_T \geq 40\text{GeV}$	-	1	3	-
$m_{bj}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of a b -tagged jet and any jet with the smallest ΔR	-	5	-	-
$m_{jj}^{\text{max } p_T}$	Mass of the combination of any two jets with the largest vector sum p_T	-	-	6	-
H_T^{had}	Scalar sum of jet p_T	-	-	7	-
$m_{jj}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of any two jets with the smallest ΔR	-	-	9	-
$m_{bb}^{\text{max } p_T}$	Mass of the combination of the two b -tagged jets with the largest vector sum p_T	-	-	-	1
$p_{T,uu}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	Scalar sum of the p_T of the pair of untagged jets with the smallest ΔR	-	-	-	3
$m_{bb}^{\text{max } m}$	Mass of the combination of the two b -tagged jets with the largest invariant mass	-	-	-	5
$\Delta R_{uu}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	Minimum ΔR between the two untagged jets	-	-	-	6
m_{ijj}	Mass of the jet triplet with the largest vector sum p_T	-	-	-	7

Variable	Definition	NN rank		
		$\geq 4j, \geq 4b$	$\geq 4j, 3b$	$3j, 3b$
$\Delta\eta_{jj}^{\text{max } \Delta\eta}$	Maximum $\Delta\eta$ between any two jets in the event	1	1	1
$m_{bb}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of the two b -tagged jets with the smallest ΔR	2	8	-
$m_{b\bar{b}}$	Mass of the two b -tagged jets from the Higgs candidate system	3	-	-
$\Delta R_{hl}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	ΔR between the Higgs candidate and the closest lepton	4	5	-
N_{30}^{Higgs}	Number of Higgs candidates within 30 GeV of the Higgs mass of 125 GeV	5	2	5
$\Delta R_{bb}^{\text{max } p_T}$	ΔR between the two b -tagged jets with the largest vector sum p_T	6	4	8
$A_{\text{plan}_{\text{jet}}}$	$1.5\lambda_2$, where λ_2 is the second eigenvalue of the momentum tensor built with all jets	7	7	-
$m_{jj}^{\text{min } m}$	Minimum dijet mass between any two jets	8	3	2
$\Delta R_{hl}^{\text{max } \Delta R}$	ΔR between the Higgs candidate and the furthest lepton	9	-	-
m_{jj}^{closest}	Dijet mass between any two jets closest to the Higgs mass of 125 GeV	10	-	10
H_T	Scalar sum of jet p_T and lepton p_T values	-	6	3
$\Delta R_{bb}^{\text{max } m}$	ΔR between the two b -tagged jets with the largest invariant mass	-	9	-
$\Delta R_{lj}^{\text{min } \Delta R}$	Minimum ΔR between any lepton and jet	-	10	-
Centrality	Sum of the p_T divided by sum of the E for all jets and both leptons	-	-	7
$m_{jj}^{\text{max } p_T}$	Mass of the combination of any two jets with the largest vector sum p_T	-	-	9
$H4$	Fifth Fox–Wolfram moment computed using all jets and both leptons	-	-	4
$p_T^{\text{jet}3}$	p_T of the third leading jet	-	-	6



$ttH H \rightarrow bb$: results



≥ 4 j, ≥ 4 b

	Pre-fit				Post-fit			
	$t\bar{t}H$ (125)	$t\bar{t} + \text{light}$	$t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}$	$t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$	$t\bar{t}H$ (125)	$t\bar{t} + \text{light}$	$t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}$	$t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$
Luminosity	± 2.8	± 2.8	± 2.8	± 2.8	± 2.6	± 2.6	± 2.6	± 2.6
Lepton efficiencies	± 2.5	± 2.5	± 2.5	± 2.5	± 1.8	± 1.8	± 1.8	± 1.8
Jet energy scale	± 4.5	± 12	± 9.4	± 7.0	± 2.0	± 5.5	± 4.5	± 3.3
Jet efficiencies	–	± 5.9	± 1.6	± 0.9	–	± 2.6	± 0.7	± 0.4
Jet energy resolution	± 0.1	± 4.5	± 1.1	–	± 0.1	± 2.3	± 0.6	–
b -tagging efficiency	± 10	± 5.5	± 5.4	± 11	± 5.6	± 3.1	± 3.0	± 5.8
c -tagging efficiency	± 0.5	–	± 12	± 0.6	± 0.3	–	± 10	± 0.3
l -tagging efficiency	± 0.7	± 34	± 7.0	± 1.6	± 0.4	± 21	± 4.2	± 0.9
High p_T tagging efficiency	–	–	± 0.6	–	–	–	± 0.3	–
$t\bar{t}$: p_T reweighting	–	± 5.8	± 6.2	–	–	± 5.0	± 5.4	–
$t\bar{t}$: parton shower	–	± 14	± 18	± 14	–	± 4.8	± 11	± 8.1
$t\bar{t}$ +HF: normalisation	–	–	± 50	± 50	–	–	± 28	± 14
$t\bar{t}$ +HF: modelling	–	± 11	± 16	± 12	–	± 3.8	± 10	± 10
Theoretical cross sections	–	± 6.3	± 6.3	± 6.2	–	± 4.1	± 4.1	± 4.1
$t\bar{t}H$ modelling	± 1.9	–	–	–	± 1.8	–	–	–
Total	± 12	± 40	± 59	± 55	± 6.7	± 22	± 22	± 13

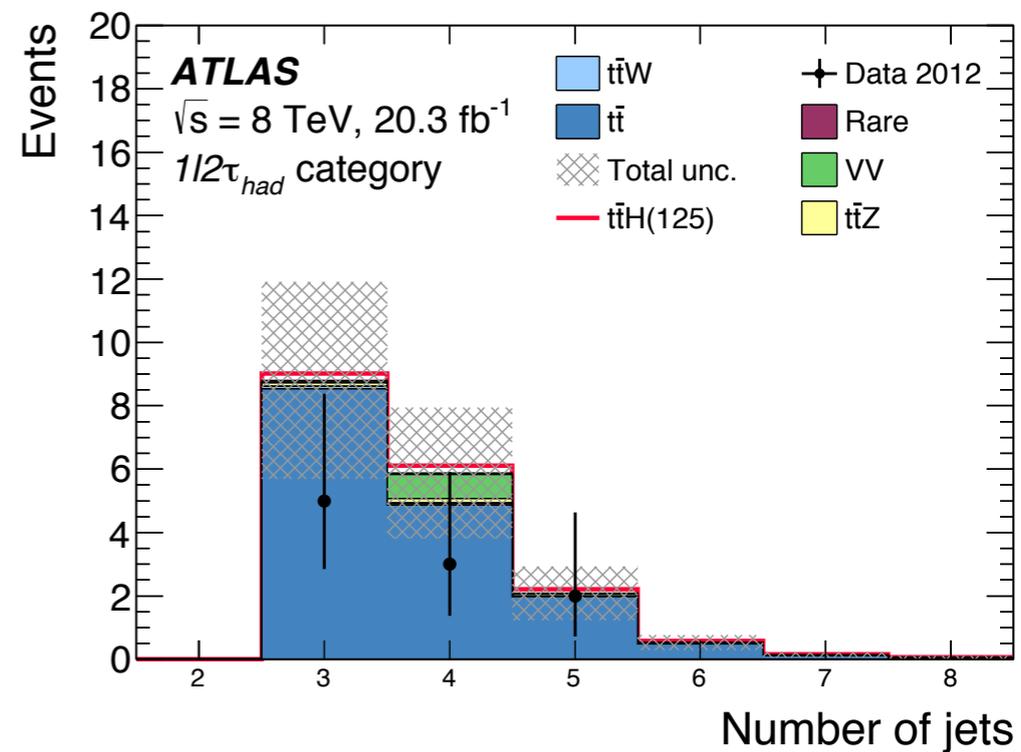
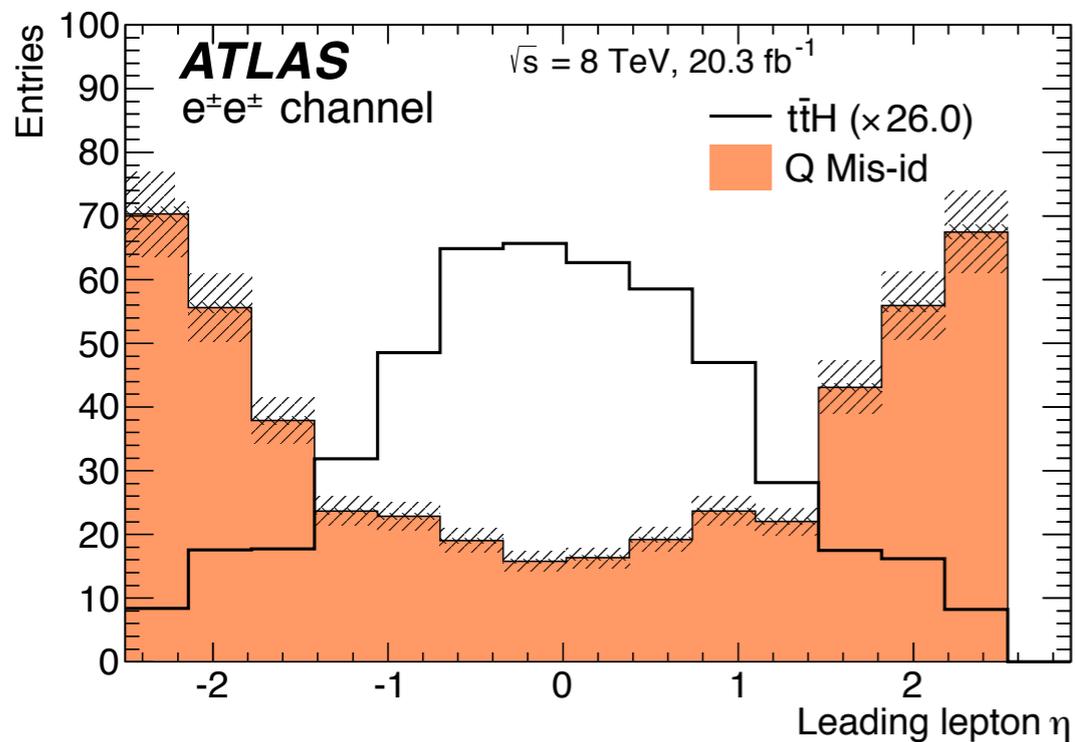
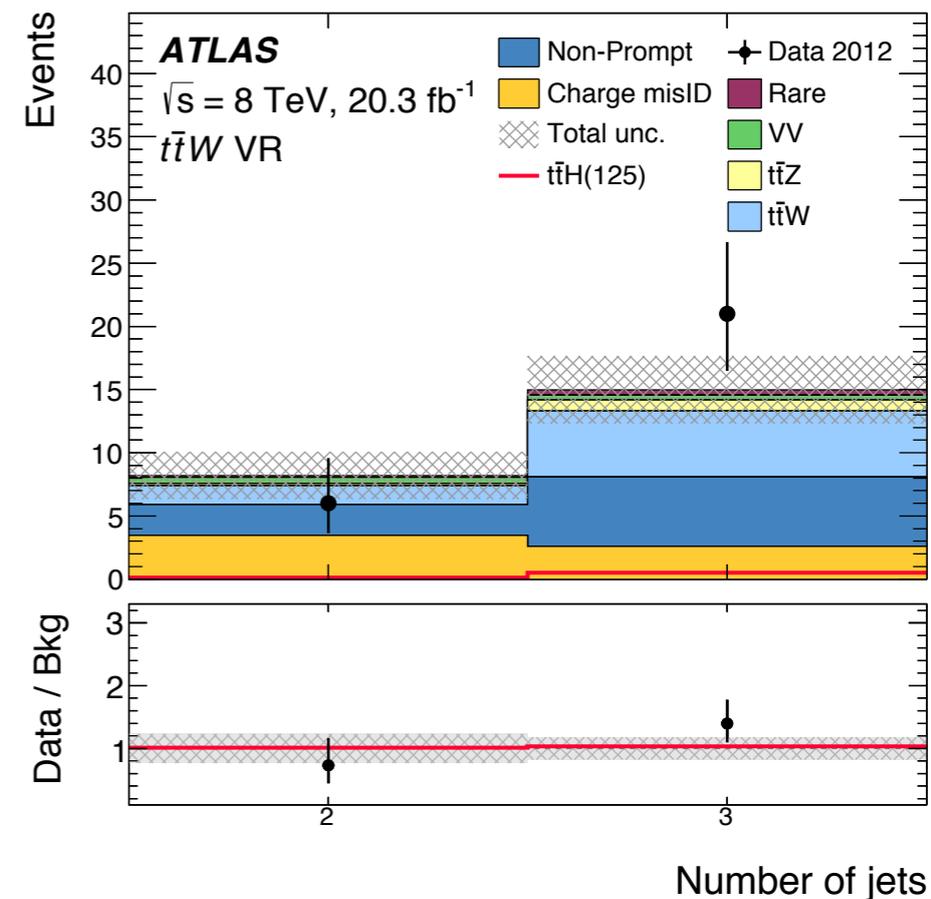
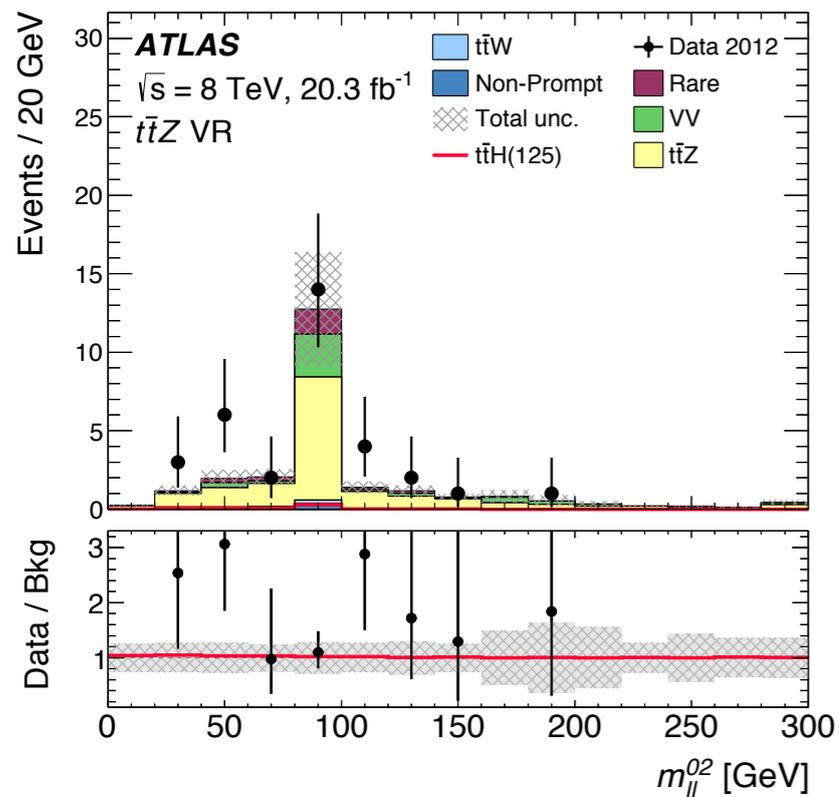
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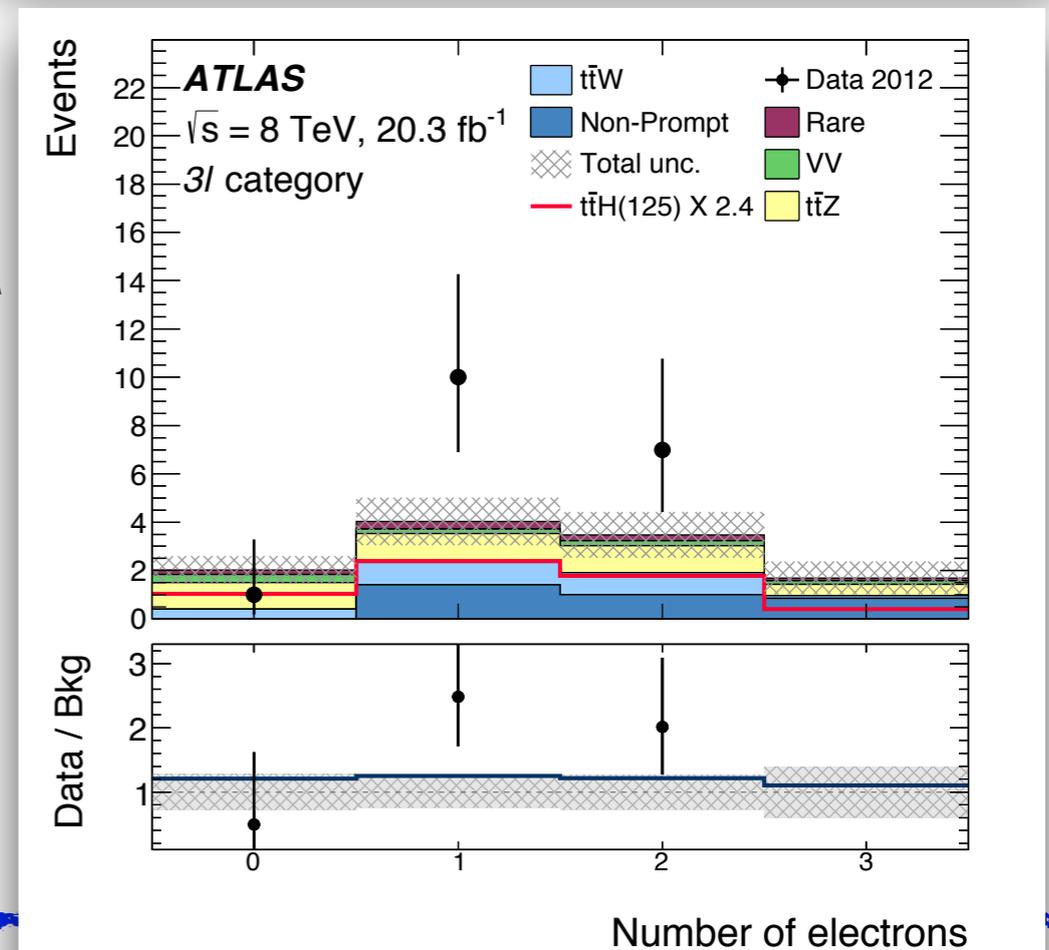
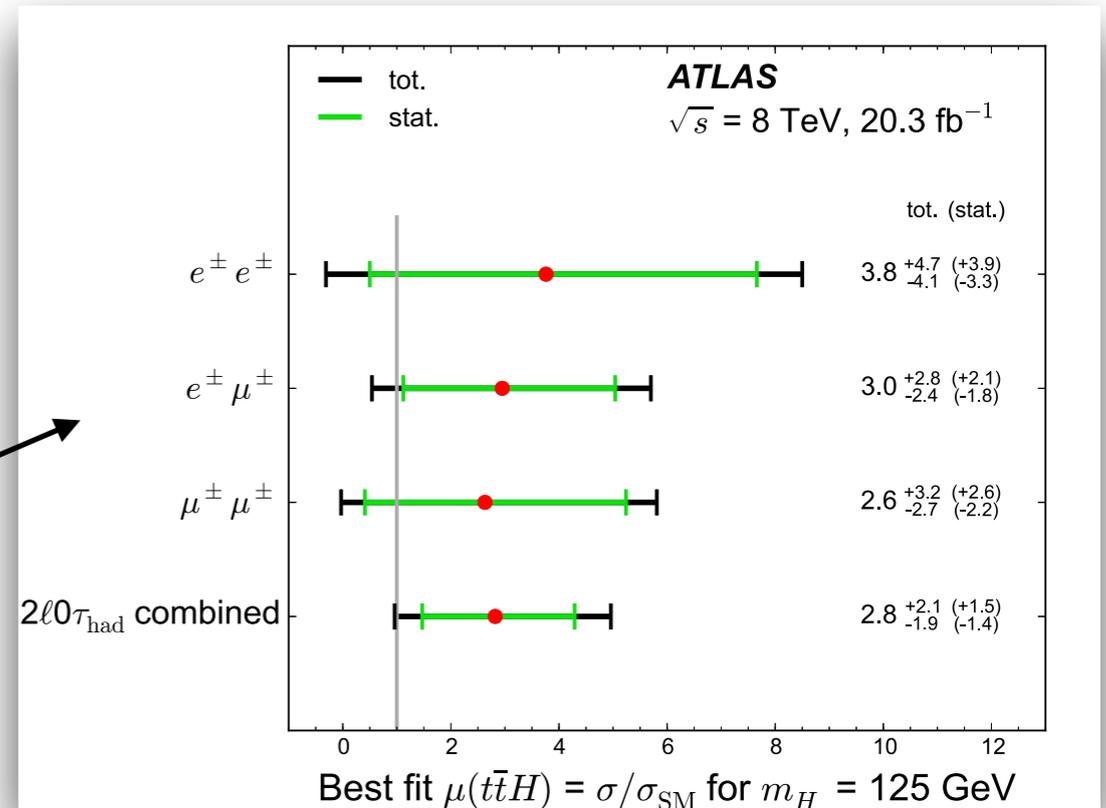
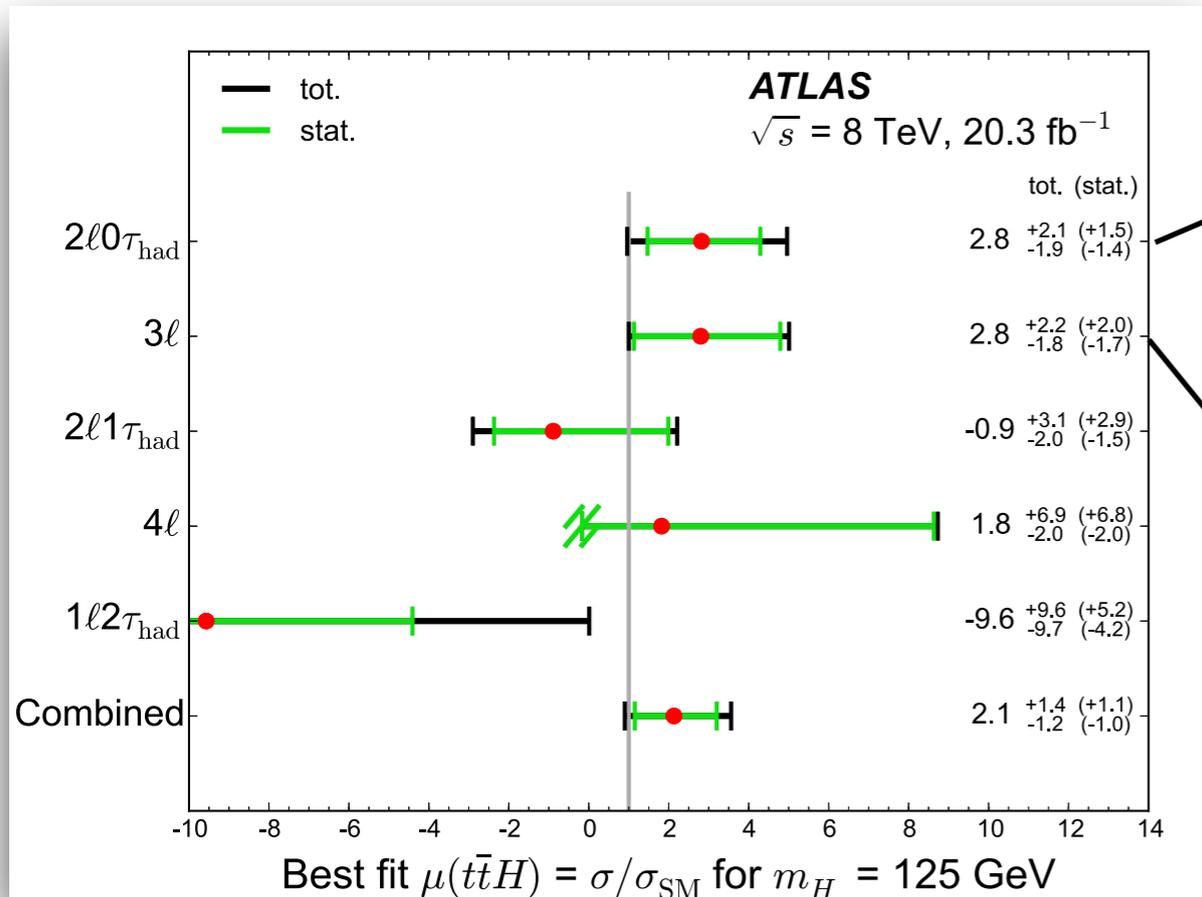
	Pre-fit				Post-fit			
	$t\bar{t}H$ (125)	$t\bar{t} + \text{light}$	$t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}$	$t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$	$t\bar{t}H$ (125)	$t\bar{t} + \text{light}$	$t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}$	$t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$
Luminosity	± 2.8	± 2.8	± 2.8	± 2.8	± 2.6	± 2.6	± 2.6	± 2.6
Lepton efficiencies	± 1.4	± 1.4	± 1.4	± 1.5	± 1.3	± 1.3	± 1.3	± 1.3
Jet energy scale	± 6.4	± 13	± 11	± 9.2	± 2.3	± 5.3	± 4.7	± 3.6
Jet efficiencies	± 1.7	± 5.2	± 2.7	± 2.5	± 0.7	± 2.3	± 1.2	± 1.1
Jet energy resolution	± 0.1	± 4.4	± 2.5	± 1.6	± 0.1	± 2.3	± 1.3	± 0.8
b -tagging efficiency	± 9.2	± 5.6	± 5.1	± 9.3	± 5.0	± 3.1	± 2.9	± 5.0
c -tagging efficiency	± 1.7	± 6.0	± 12	± 2.4	± 1.4	± 5.1	± 10	± 2.1
l -tagging efficiency	± 1.0	± 19	± 5.2	± 2.1	± 0.6	± 11	± 3.0	± 1.1
High p_T tagging efficiency	± 0.6	–	± 0.7	± 0.6	± 0.3	–	± 0.4	± 0.3
$t\bar{t}$: p_T reweighting	–	± 5.4	± 6.1	–	–	± 4.7	± 5.4	–
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$t\bar{t}H$ modelling	± 2.7	–	–	–	± 2.6	–	–	–
Total	± 12	± 32	± 59	± 54	± 6.9	± 9.2	± 23	± 12

Process	ME Generator	Parton Shower	PDF	Tune
$t\bar{t}H$	HELAC-Oneloop [41, 42] + POWHEG-BOX [48-50]	PYTHIA 8 [43]	CT10 [44]/CTEQ6L1 [45, 46]	AU2 [47]
$tHqb$	MADGRAPH [33]	PYTHIA 8	CT10	AU2
tHW	MG5_AMC@NLO [29]	HERWIG++ [51]	CT10/MRST LO** [52]	UE-EE-4 [53]
$t\bar{t}W + \leq 2$ partons	MADGRAPH	PYTHIA 6 [54]	CTEQ6L1	AUET2B [55]
$t\bar{t}(Z/\gamma^*) + \leq 1$ parton	MADGRAPH	PYTHIA 6	CTEQ6L1	AUET2B
$t(Z/\gamma^*)$	MADGRAPH	PYTHIA 6	CTEQ6L1	AUET2B
$q\bar{q}, qg \rightarrow WW, WZ$	SHERPA [56]	SHERPA	CT10	SHERPA default
$qq \rightarrow qqWW, qqWZ, qqZZ$	SHERPA	SHERPA	CT10	SHERPA default
$q\bar{q}, qg \rightarrow ZZ$	POWHEG-BOX [57]	PYTHIA 8	CT10	AU2
$gg \rightarrow ZZ$	GG2ZZ [58]	HERWIG [59]	CT10	AUET2 [60]
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG-BOX [61]	PYTHIA 6	CT10/CTEQ6L1	Perugia2011C [62]
s -, t -channel, Wt single top	POWHEG-BOX [63, 64]	PYTHIA 6	CT10/CTEQ6L1	Perugia2011C
$Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^- + \leq 5$ partons	ALPGEN [65]	PYTHIA 6	CTEQ6L1	Perugia2011C
$W \rightarrow \ell\nu + \leq 5$ partons	ALPGEN	PYTHIA 6	CTEQ6L1	Perugia2011C

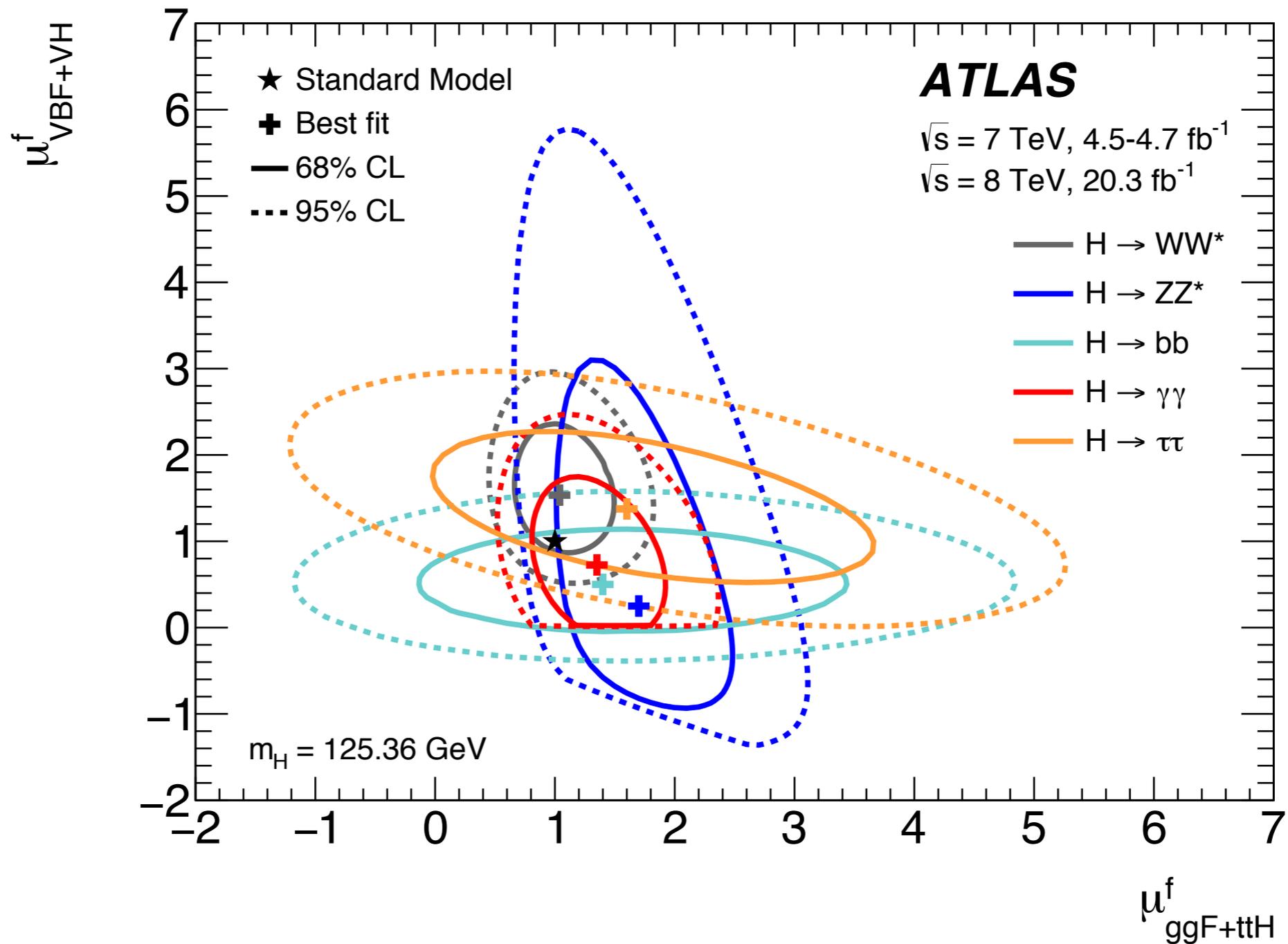
- ◆ Precise table with all the cuts

Category	q mis-id	Non-prompt	$t\bar{t}W$	$t\bar{t}Z$	Diboson	Expected bkg.	$t\bar{t}H$ ($\mu = 1$)	Observed
$ee + \geq 5j$	1.1 ± 0.5	2.3 ± 1.2	1.4 ± 0.4	0.98 ± 0.26	0.47 ± 0.29	6.5 ± 1.8	0.73 ± 0.14	10
$e\mu + \geq 5j$	0.85 ± 0.35	6.7 ± 2.4	4.8 ± 1.2	2.1 ± 0.5	0.38 ± 0.30	15 ± 3	2.13 ± 0.41	22
$\mu\mu + \geq 5j$	–	2.9 ± 1.4	3.8 ± 0.9	0.95 ± 0.25	0.69 ± 0.39	8.6 ± 2.2	1.41 ± 0.28	11
$ee + 4j$	1.8 ± 0.7	3.4 ± 1.7	2.0 ± 0.4	0.75 ± 0.20	0.74 ± 0.42	9.1 ± 2.1	0.44 ± 0.06	9
$e\mu + 4j$	1.4 ± 0.6	12 ± 4	6.2 ± 1.0	1.5 ± 0.3	1.9 ± 1.0	24 ± 5	1.16 ± 0.14	26
$\mu\mu + 4j$	–	6.3 ± 2.6	4.7 ± 0.9	0.80 ± 0.22	0.53 ± 0.30	12.7 ± 2.9	0.74 ± 0.10	20
3ℓ	–	3.2 ± 0.7	2.3 ± 0.7	3.9 ± 0.8	0.86 ± 0.55	11.4 ± 2.3	2.34 ± 0.35	18
$2\ell 1\tau_{\text{had}}$	–	$0.4^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$	0.38 ± 0.12	0.37 ± 0.08	0.12 ± 0.11	1.4 ± 0.6	0.47 ± 0.08	1
$1\ell 2\tau_{\text{had}}$	–	15 ± 5	0.17 ± 0.06	0.37 ± 0.09	0.41 ± 0.42	16 ± 5	0.68 ± 0.13	10
4ℓ Z-enr.	–	$\lesssim 10^{-3}$	$\lesssim 3 \times 10^{-3}$	0.43 ± 0.12	0.05 ± 0.02	0.55 ± 0.15	0.17 ± 0.02	1
4ℓ Z-dep.	–	$\lesssim 10^{-4}$	$\lesssim 10^{-3}$	0.002 ± 0.002	$\lesssim 2 \times 10^{-5}$	0.007 ± 0.005	0.025 ± 0.003	0





◆ This shows the role of various analyses



◆ The horizontal constraints on the H->bb line comes from the ttH (bb) analysis

Production	Loops	Interference	Expression in fundamental coupling-strength scale factors
$\sigma(\text{ggF})$	✓	$b-t$	$\kappa_g^2 \sim 1.06 \cdot \kappa_t^2 + 0.01 \cdot \kappa_b^2 - 0.07 \cdot \kappa_t \kappa_b$
$\sigma(\text{VBF})$	-	-	$\sim 0.74 \cdot \kappa_W^2 + 0.26 \cdot \kappa_Z^2$
$\sigma(\text{WH})$	-	-	$\sim \kappa_W^2$
$\sigma(q\bar{q} \rightarrow \text{ZH})$	-	-	$\sim \kappa_Z^2$
$\sigma(\text{gg} \rightarrow \text{ZH})$	✓	$Z-t$	$\kappa_{\text{ggZH}}^2 \sim 2.27 \cdot \kappa_Z^2 + 0.37 \cdot \kappa_t^2 - 1.64 \cdot \kappa_Z \kappa_t$
$\sigma(\text{bbH})$	-	-	$\sim \kappa_b^2$
$\sigma(\text{ttH})$	-	-	$\sim \kappa_t^2$
$\sigma(\text{gb} \rightarrow \text{WtH})$	-	$W-t$	$\sim 1.84 \cdot \kappa_t^2 + 1.57 \cdot \kappa_W^2 - 2.41 \cdot \kappa_t \kappa_W$
$\sigma(\text{qb} \rightarrow \text{tHq}')$	-	$W-t$	$\sim 3.4 \cdot \kappa_t^2 + 3.56 \cdot \kappa_W^2 - 5.96 \cdot \kappa_t \kappa_W$
Partial decay width			
$\Gamma_{b\bar{b}}$	-	-	$\sim \kappa_b^2$
Γ_{WW}	-	-	$\sim \kappa_W^2$
Γ_{ZZ}	-	-	$\sim \kappa_Z^2$
$\Gamma_{\tau\tau}$	-	-	$\sim \kappa_\tau^2$
$\Gamma_{\mu\mu}$	-	-	$\sim \kappa_\mu^2$
$\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$	✓	$W-t$	$\kappa_\gamma^2 \sim 1.59 \cdot \kappa_W^2 + 0.07 \cdot \kappa_t^2 - 0.66 \cdot \kappa_W \kappa_t$
$\Gamma_{\text{Z}\gamma}$	✓	$W-t$	$\kappa_{\text{Z}\gamma}^2 \sim 1.12 \cdot \kappa_W^2 + 0.00035 \cdot \kappa_t^2 - 0.12 \cdot \kappa_W \kappa_t$
Total decay width			
Γ_H	✓	$W-t$ $b-t$	$\kappa_H^2 \sim 0.57 \cdot \kappa_b^2 + 0.22 \cdot \kappa_W^2 + 0.09 \cdot \kappa_g^2 + 0.06 \cdot \kappa_\tau^2 + 0.03 \cdot \kappa_Z^2 + 0.03 \cdot \kappa_c^2 + 0.0023 \cdot \kappa_\gamma^2 + 0.0016 \cdot \kappa_{\text{Z}\gamma}^2 + 0.00022 \cdot \kappa_\mu^2$

- ♦ ttH combination as part of the ATLAS Higgs coupling combination:
 - ♦ correlation with other Higgs analyses not so large

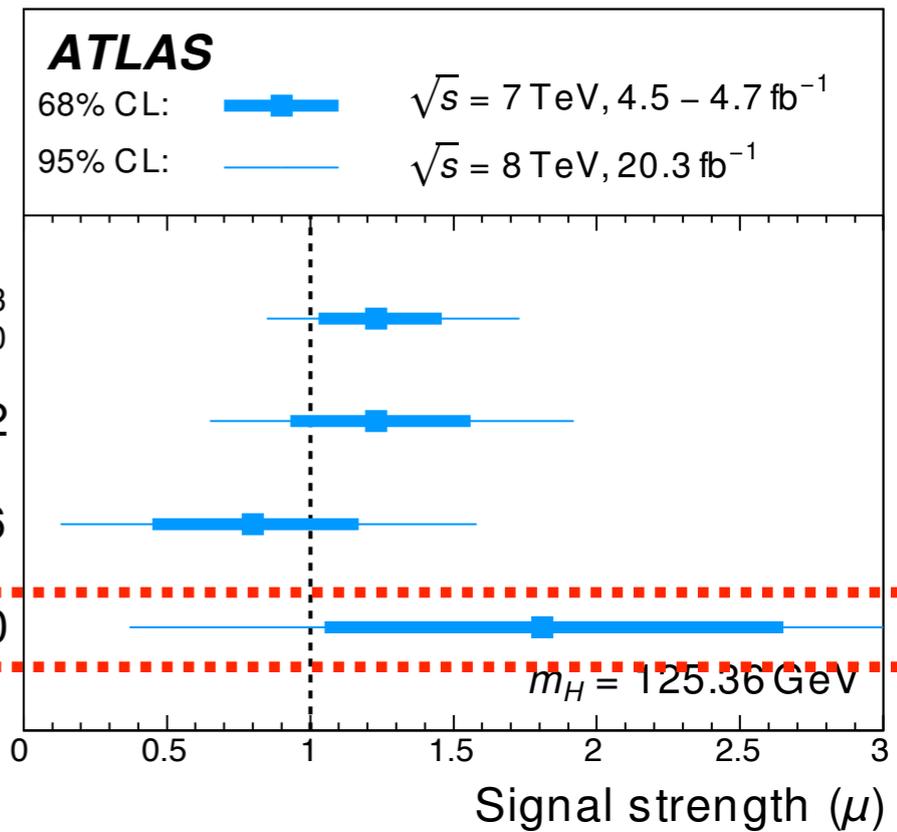
- ♦ Probing different Higgs production modes individually:
 - ♦ *assuming SM Higgs boson branching ratios*

$$\mu_{ggF} = 1.23^{+0.23}_{-0.20}$$

$$\mu_{VBF} = 1.23 \pm 0.32$$

$$\mu_{VH} = 0.80 \pm 0.36$$

$$\mu_{ttH} = 1.81 \pm 0.80$$



	<i>observed</i>	<i>expected</i>
<i>signal significance</i>	2.5 s.d.	1.5 s.d.
<i>95% upper limit on σ</i>	3.2	1.4

- ♦ A more complex case:
 - ♦ *using best fit values* for branching ratios (mainly determined by other Higgs analyses)

$$\sigma_{ttH} / \sigma_{ggF}$$

		<i>stat.</i>	<i>sys.</i>	<i>th.</i>
obs.=	$0.012^{+0.007}_{-0.005}$	$+0.005$	$+0.004$	$+0.0014$
		-0.004	-0.003	-0.0005

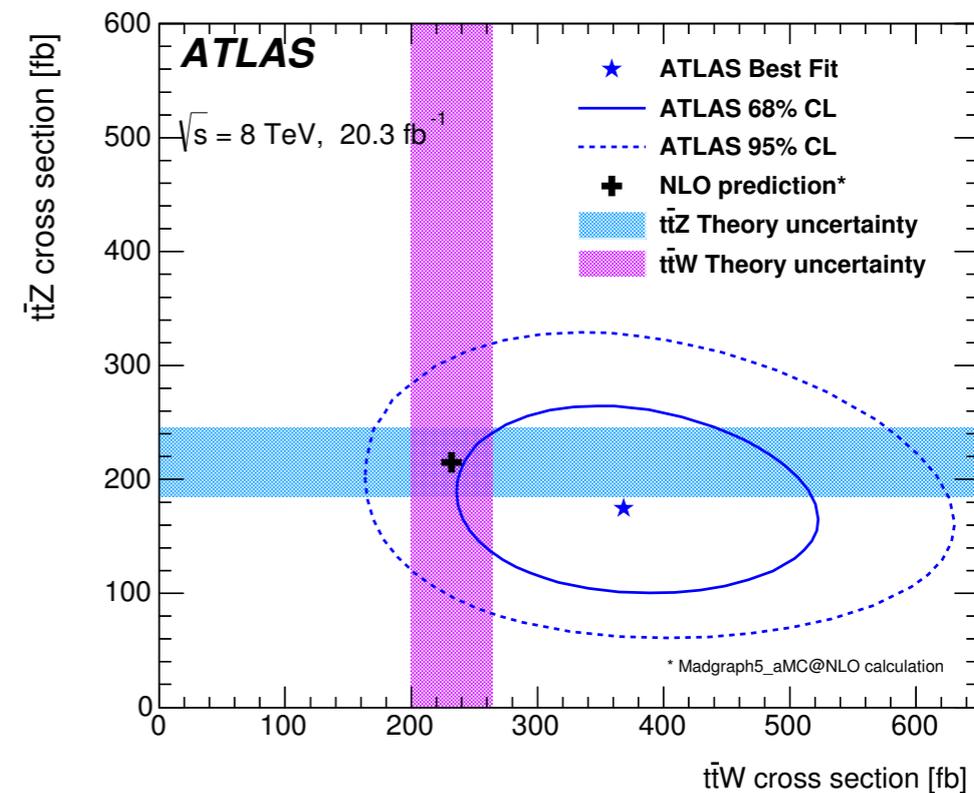
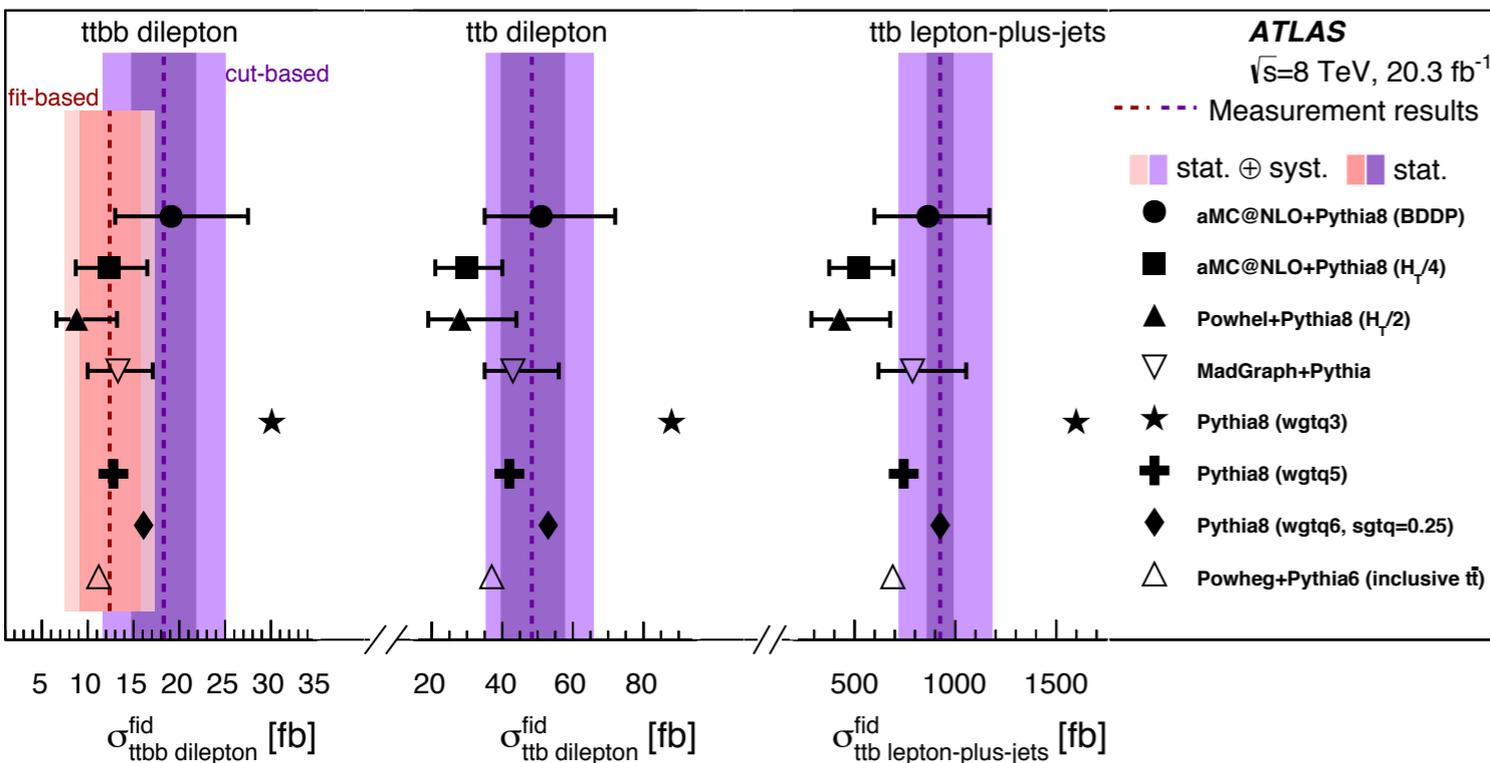
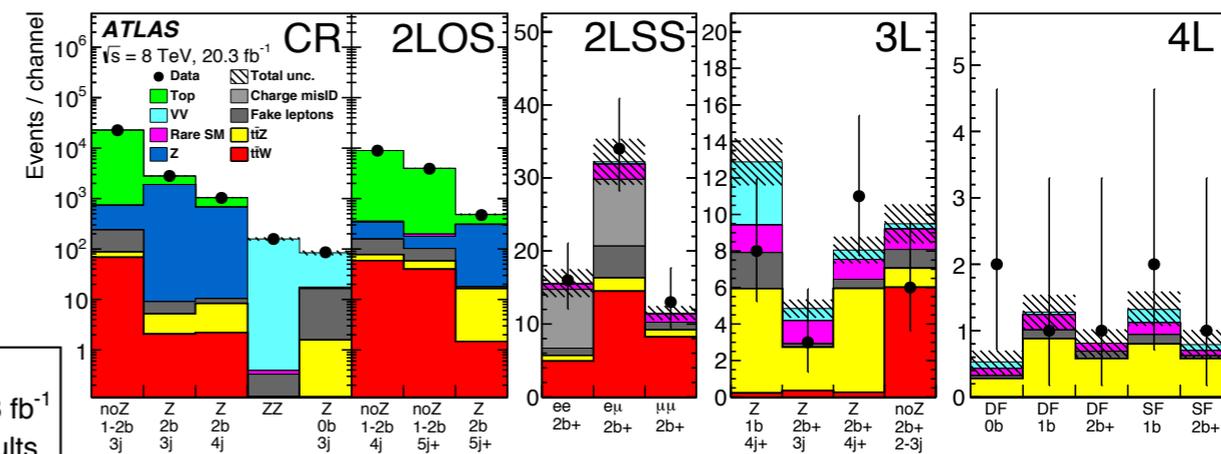
$$\mathbf{exp.(*) = 0.007 \pm 0.001}$$

- ♦ Good complementarity of the various analyses, very little correlation
- ♦ **Large gain from the combination:** 50% better than single most sensitive analysis

(*)= arXiv:1307.1347

◆ $t\bar{t} + b(b)$

◆ $t\bar{t} + W/Z$



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