



Some recent BSM Higgs searches in ATLAS and CMS



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Menu of the day

- Review of some standard BSM Higgs searches:

- ◇ MSSM $\tau\tau$ searches → See talk by Roger
- ◇ 2HDM-inspired signatures
- ◇ Heavy $H \rightarrow ZZ$
- ◇ NMSSM: $h \rightarrow aa$
- ◇ Higgs couplings re-interpretation



More exotic menu
in the talk by Erez
and Mario this
afternoon!



ATLAS A- $\rightarrow$ Zh

arXiv:1502.04478

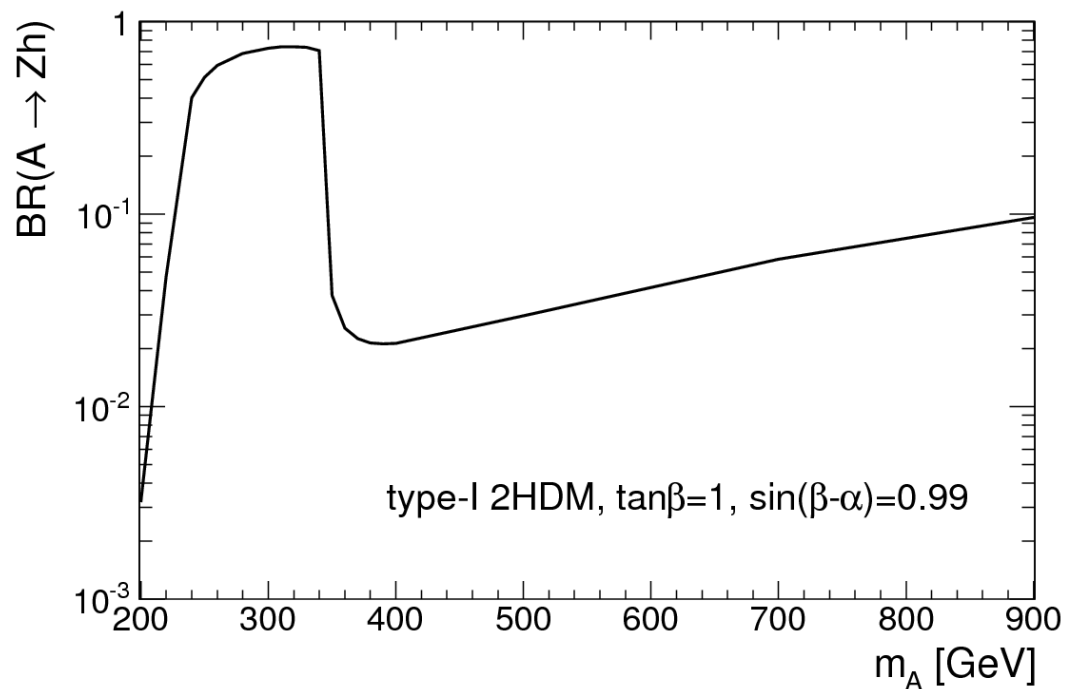
- Signature that dominates in many models below the $t\bar{t}$ kinematic threshold

The search is optimized for a gluon-fusion produced Higgs boson.

Effort to make a robust analysis, based on simple cuts.

Channels included:

- ◇ $A \rightarrow Zh \rightarrow \ell\ell b\bar{b}$
- ◇ $A \rightarrow Zh \rightarrow \ell\ell \tau\tau \rightarrow \ell\ell \text{ lephad}, \ell\ell \text{ hadhad}, \ell\ell \text{ lelep}$
- ◇ $A \rightarrow Zh \rightarrow \nu\nu b\bar{b}$



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ATLAS A->Zh

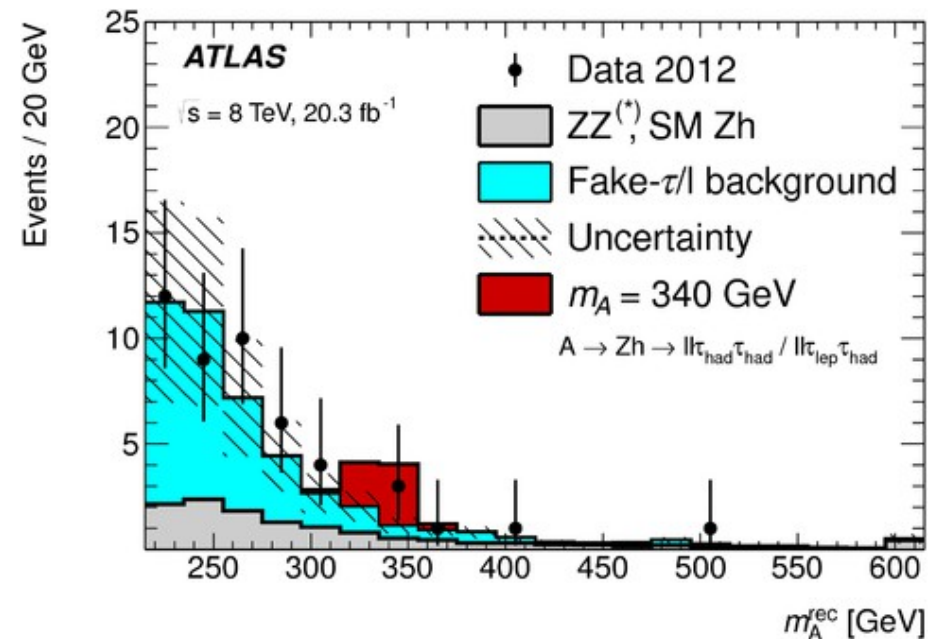
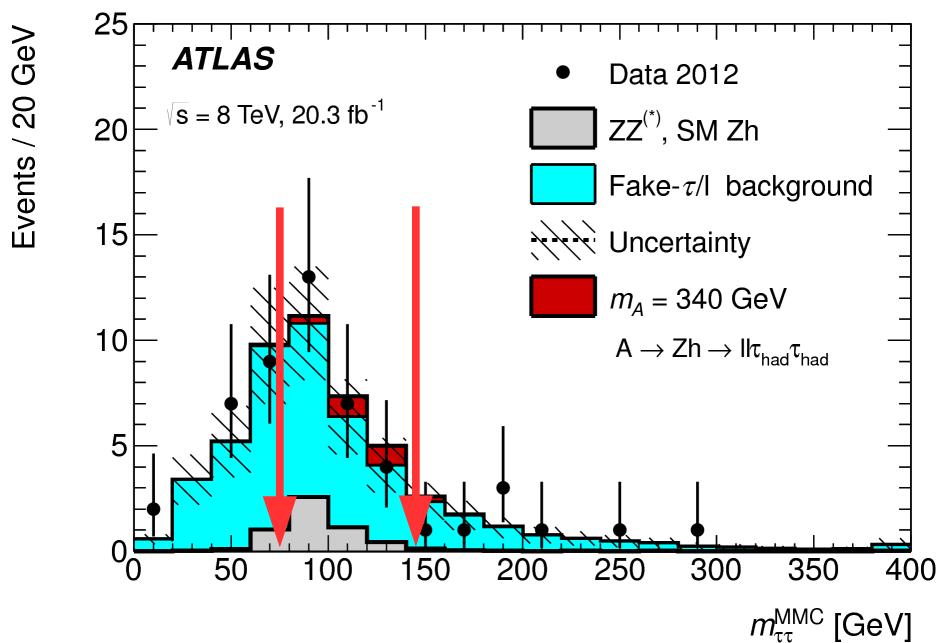
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- Some highlights from the $\ell\ell\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ and $\ell\ell\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ analysis

◇ $m(\ell\ell)$: 80 – 100 GeV, $m(\tau\tau)$: 75 – 175 GeV, p_T^Z cut in the hadhad channel

◇ Fake tau background (mostly Z+jets) is dominant: data-driven estimation

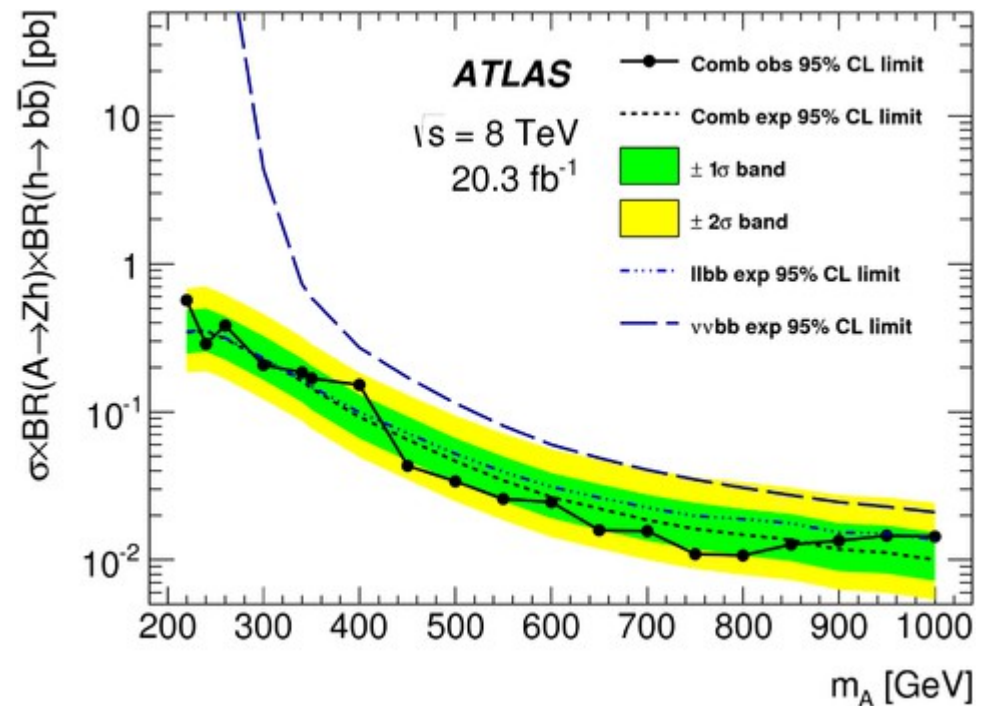
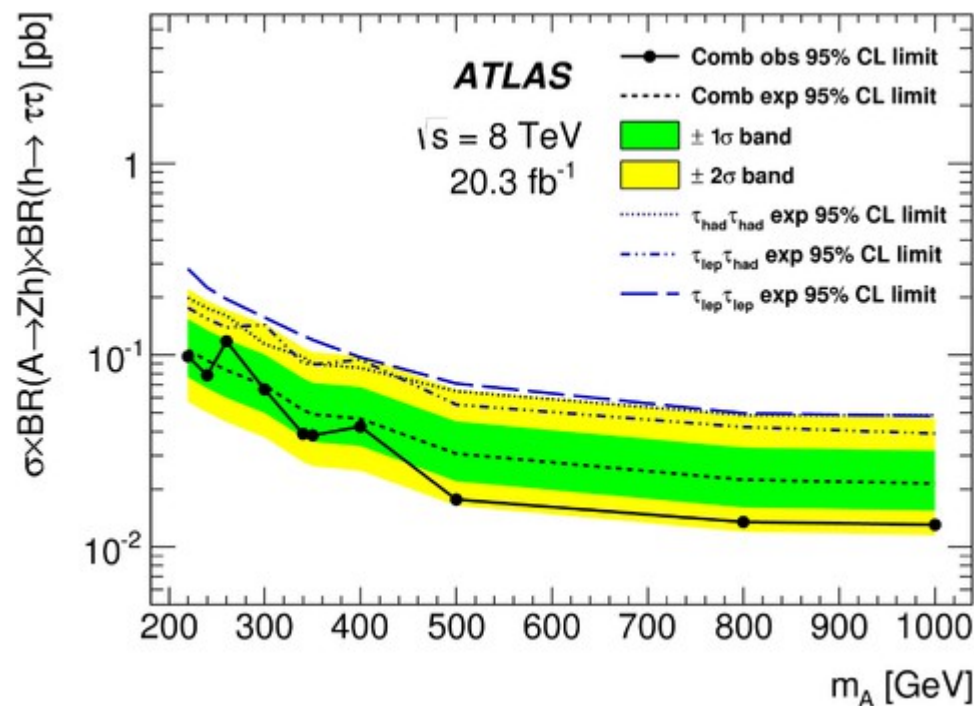
Shape from control region (fail opposite-sign and tau identification) and normalized in the $m(\tau\tau)$ sidebands



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Cross sections limits for a narrow-width
Higgs boson produced via gluon-fusion



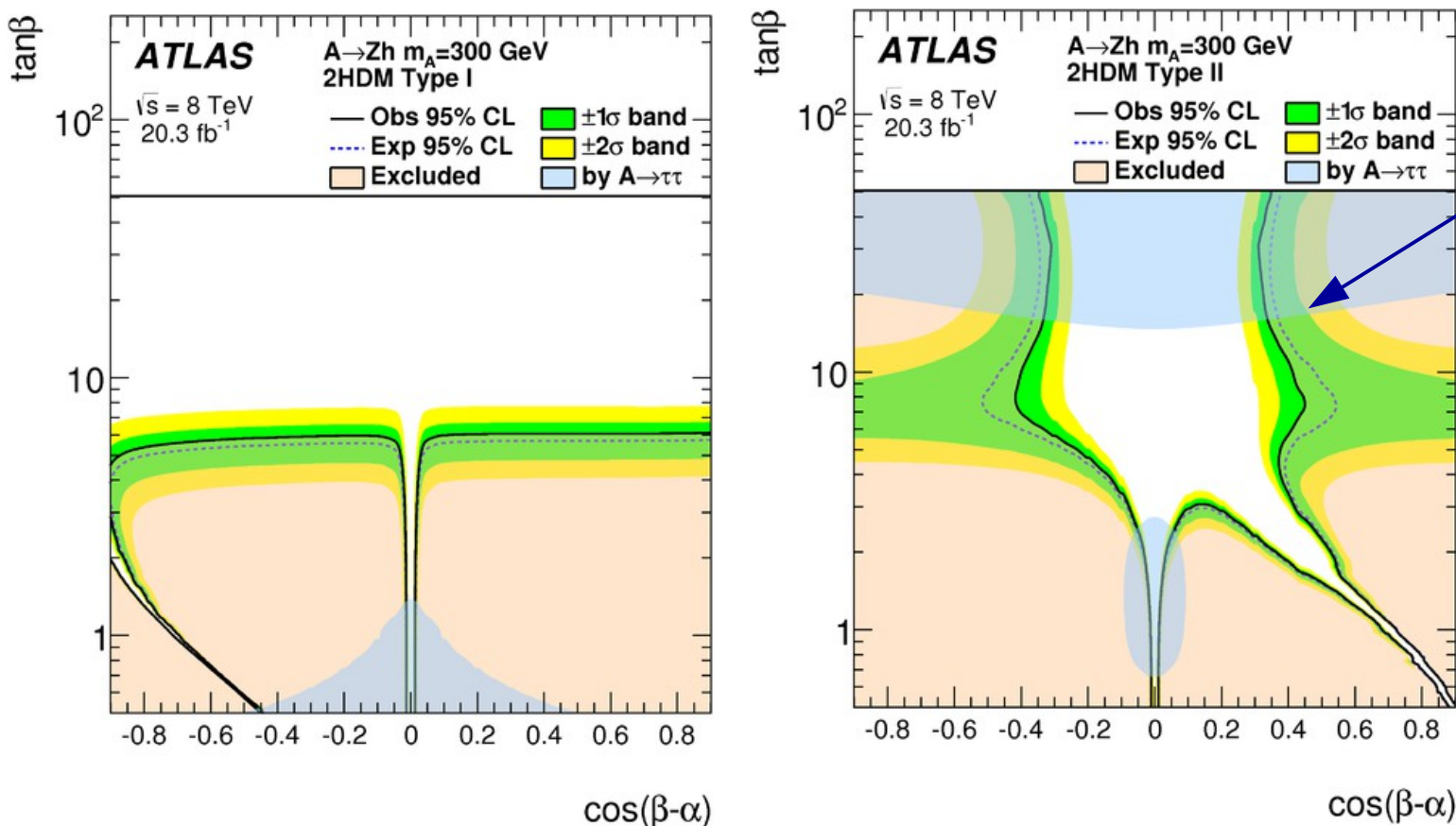
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Interpretation in the CP-conserving 2HDM

→ overlay on the plots the constraints from $A \rightarrow \tau\tau$, which is complementary in this channel



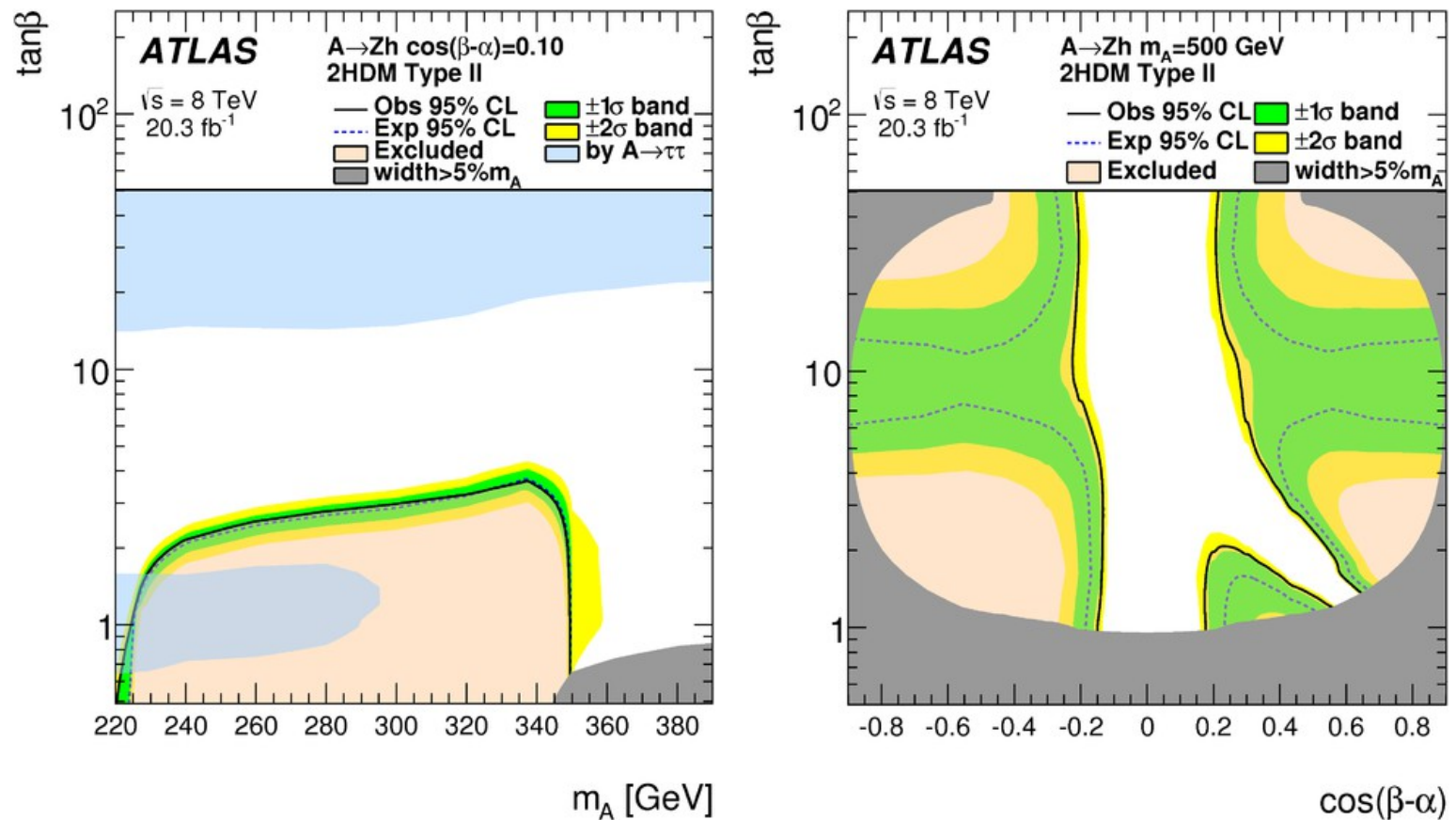
For type-II 2HDM at the high $\tan\beta$ region the acceptance of the b-associated production is estimated and included in the interpretation.

ATLAS A→Zh

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Interpretation in the CP-conserving 2HDM

More plots for
your visual
pleasure!



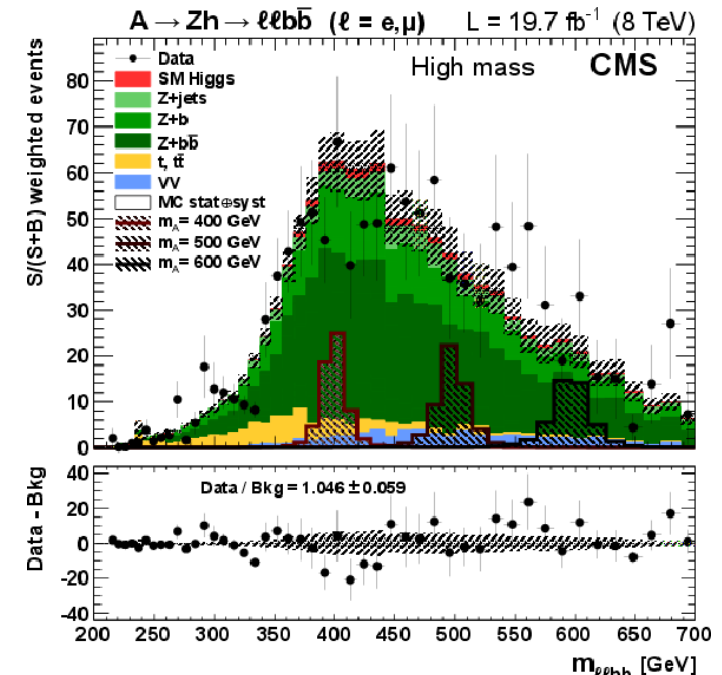
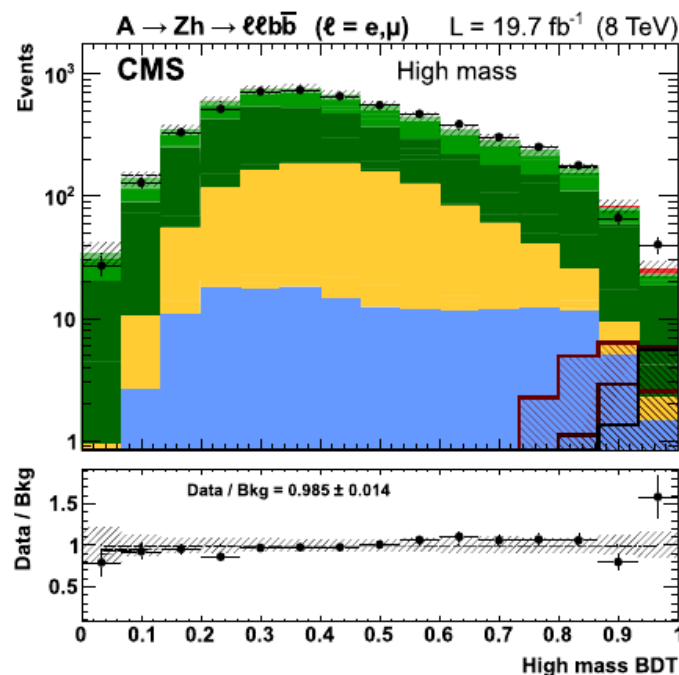
CMS A->Zh

arXiv:1504.04710

- Similar result from CMS: uses only A->Zh->llbb final state

◇ boosted decision tree with 16 variables (mostly kinematics) in 3 different mass category regions.

◇ The final result is extracted with the 2D likelihood fit in the (BDT > 0.6) versus $m(\ell\ell b\bar{b})$ plane.



Example from the high mass category region ($m_A > 400$ GeV)

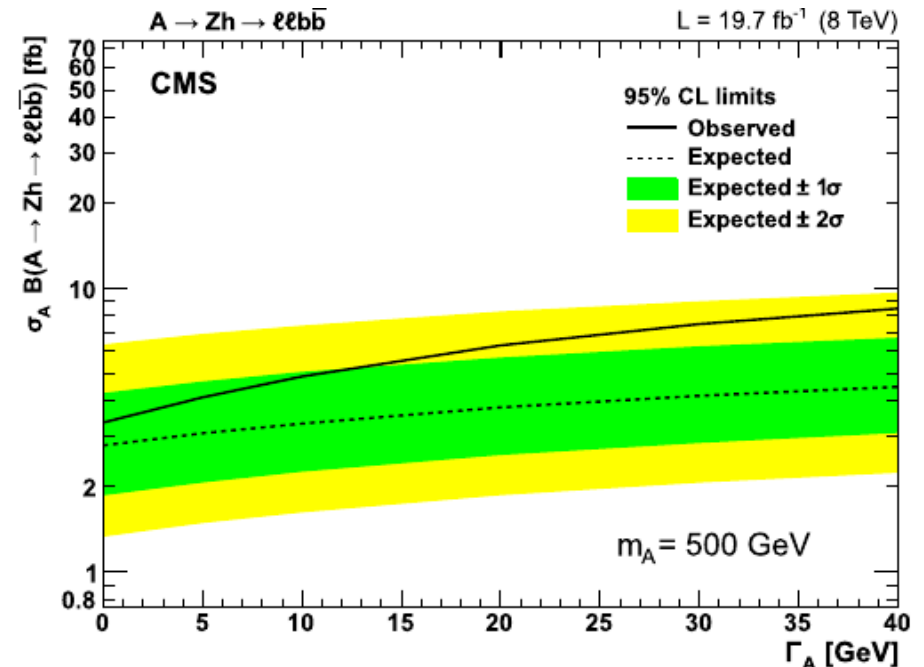
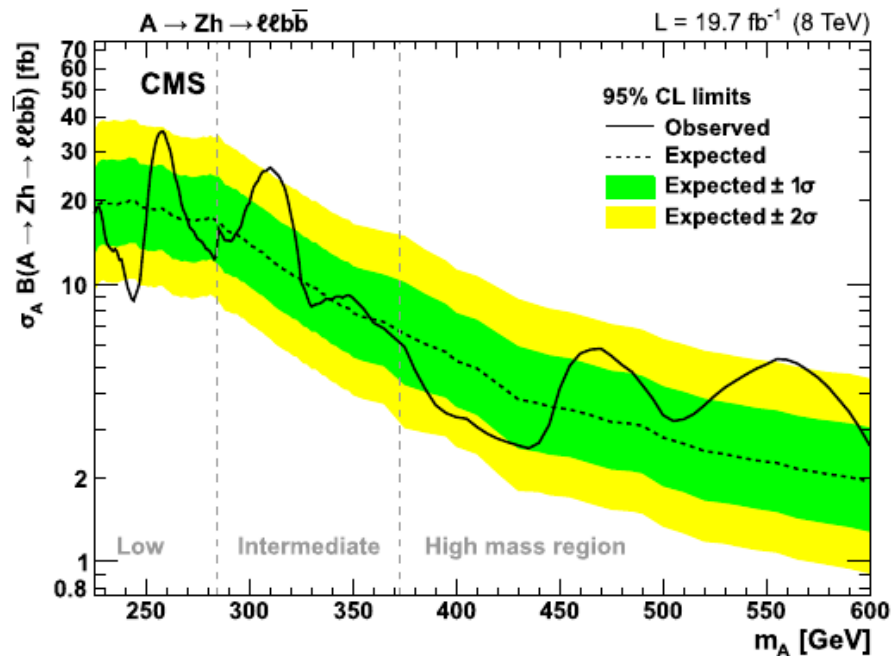
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• Constraints

Gluon-fusion produced, narrow-width signal limit in the 3 BDT mass categories

Dedicated study of the effect of larger signal widths in the limit

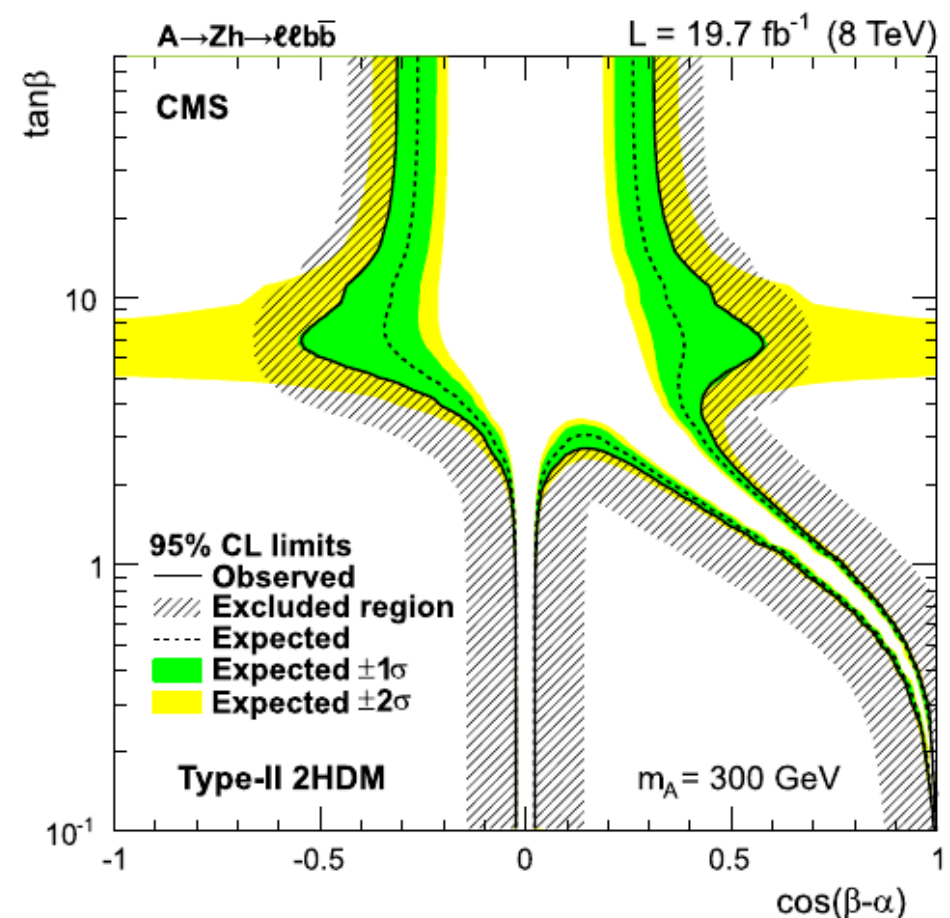
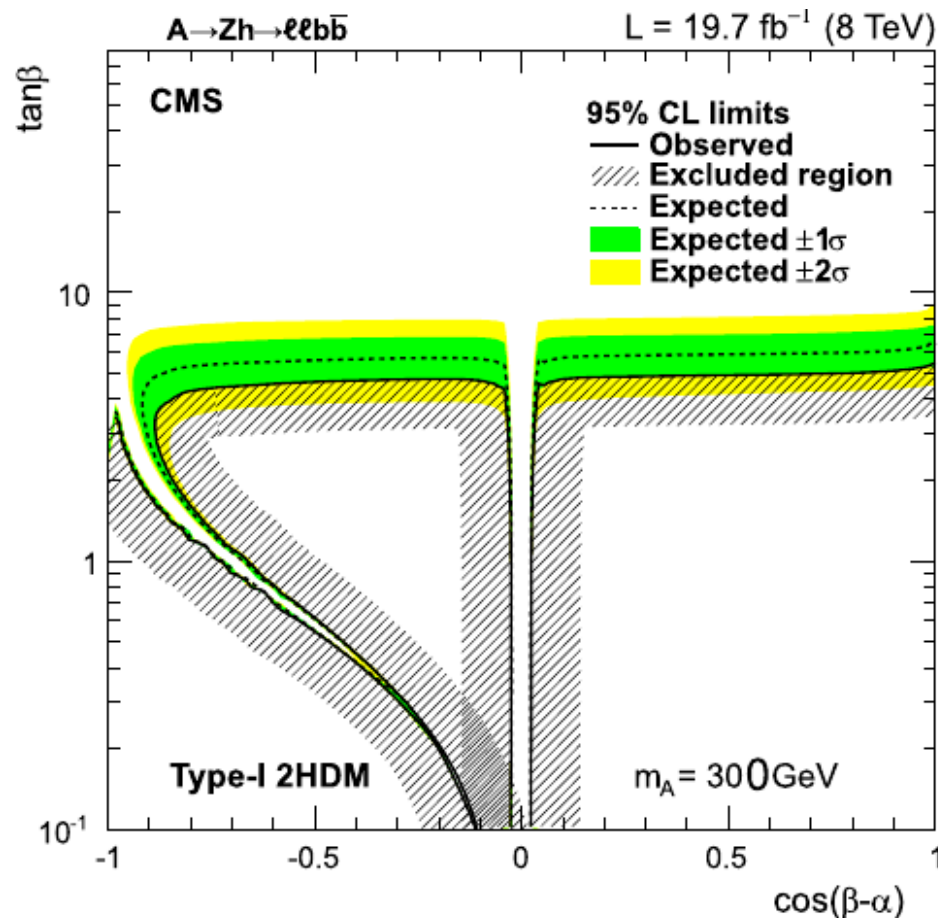


Compared to the simple cut-based analysis in ATLAS you can gain 10 – 15% in sensitivity for masses up to 500 GeV, though for high masses (~600 GeV) the results are the same

CMS $A \rightarrow Z h$

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- Same strategy with ATLAS in the 2HDM interpretation



CMS A->ZH

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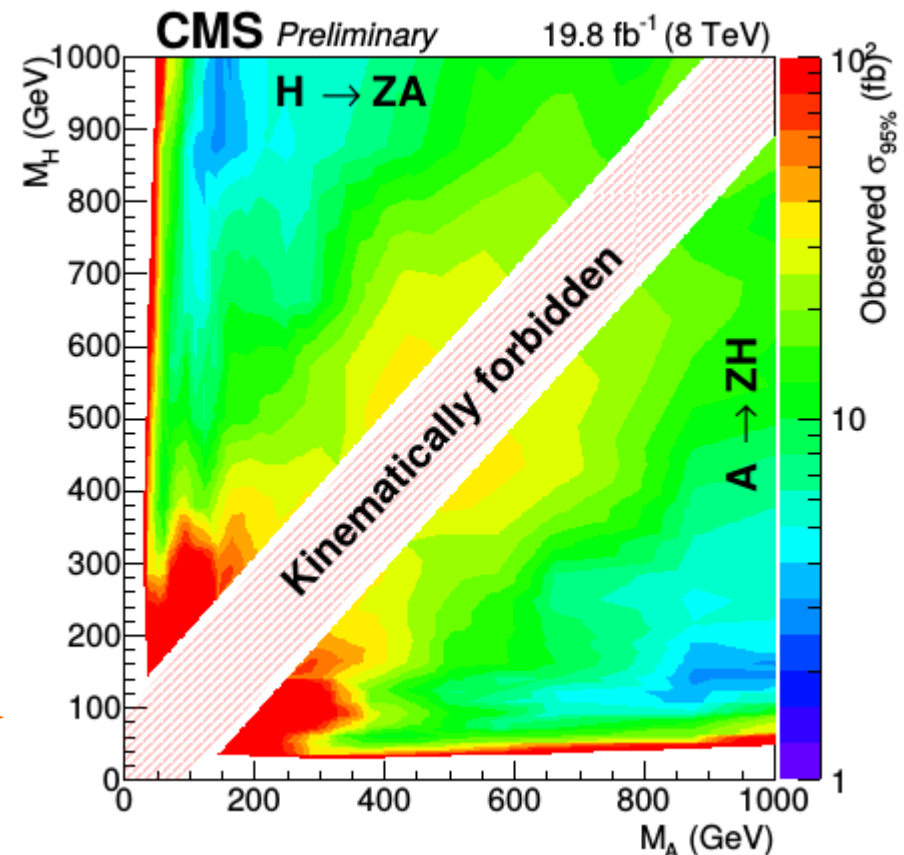
- CMS proceeds one step further and examines Heavy Higgs to Heavy Higgs decays

Cut-based analysis using:

$$\diamond A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \ell \ell b\bar{b}$$

$$\diamond A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \ell \ell \tau \tau \rightarrow \ell \ell \tau(\text{lep}) \tau(\text{lep}), \\ \ell \ell \tau(\text{lep}) \tau(\text{had}), \ell \ell \tau(\text{had}) \tau(\text{had})$$

Example of 2D observed limit plot
from the $\ell \ell b\bar{b}$ final state



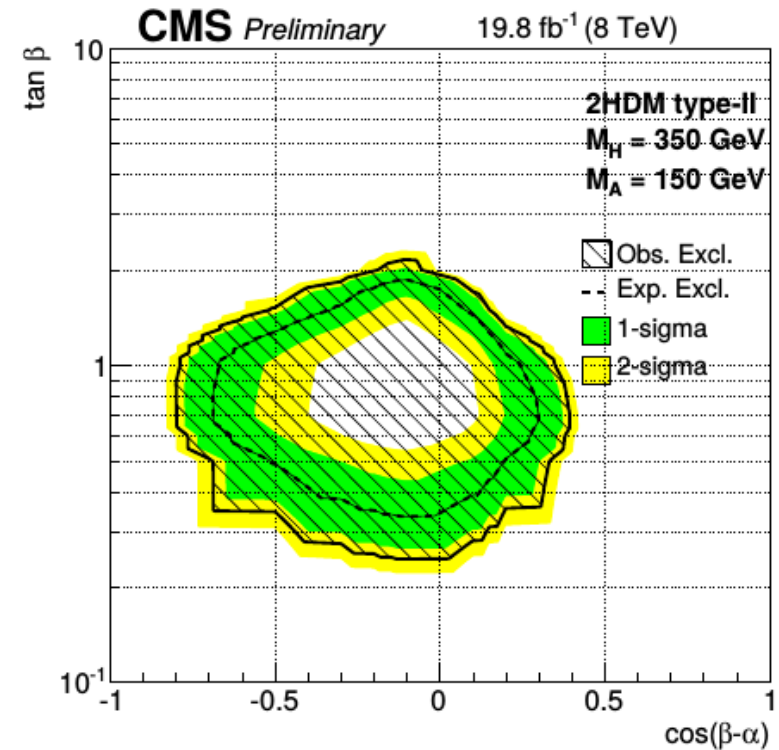
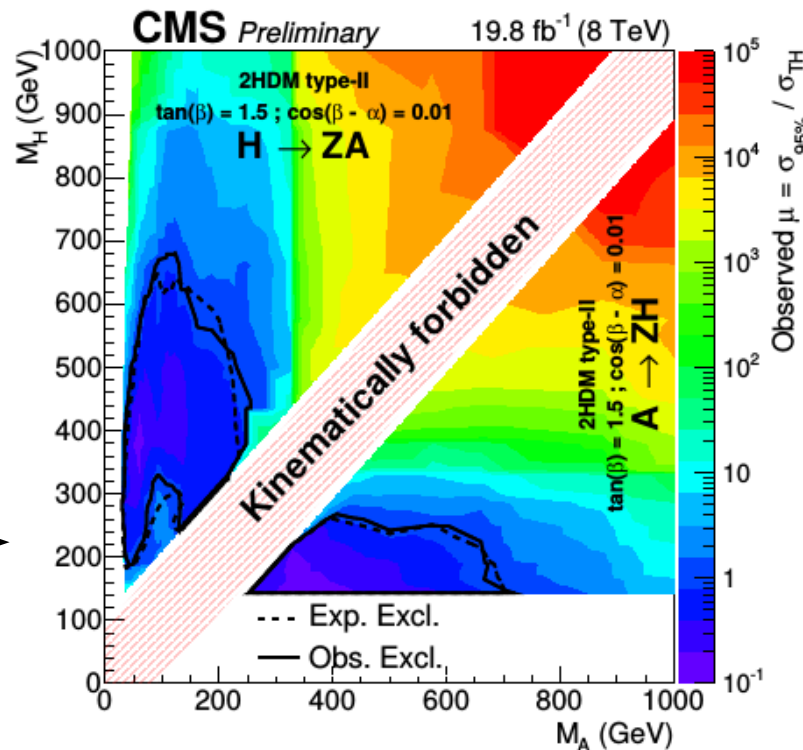
CMS A->ZH

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- Interpretation of the search in the CP-conserving 2HDM with softly broken Z_2

- ◇ Separate results for $\tau\tau$ and $b\bar{b}$ final states, no combination is attempted
- ◇ $(m_A - m_H)$ plane for given $\tan\beta$, $\cos(\beta-\alpha)$ or on the $(\tan\beta - \cos(\beta-\alpha))$ plane for given m_H and m_A

Examples from the
 $b\bar{b}$ final state
constraints



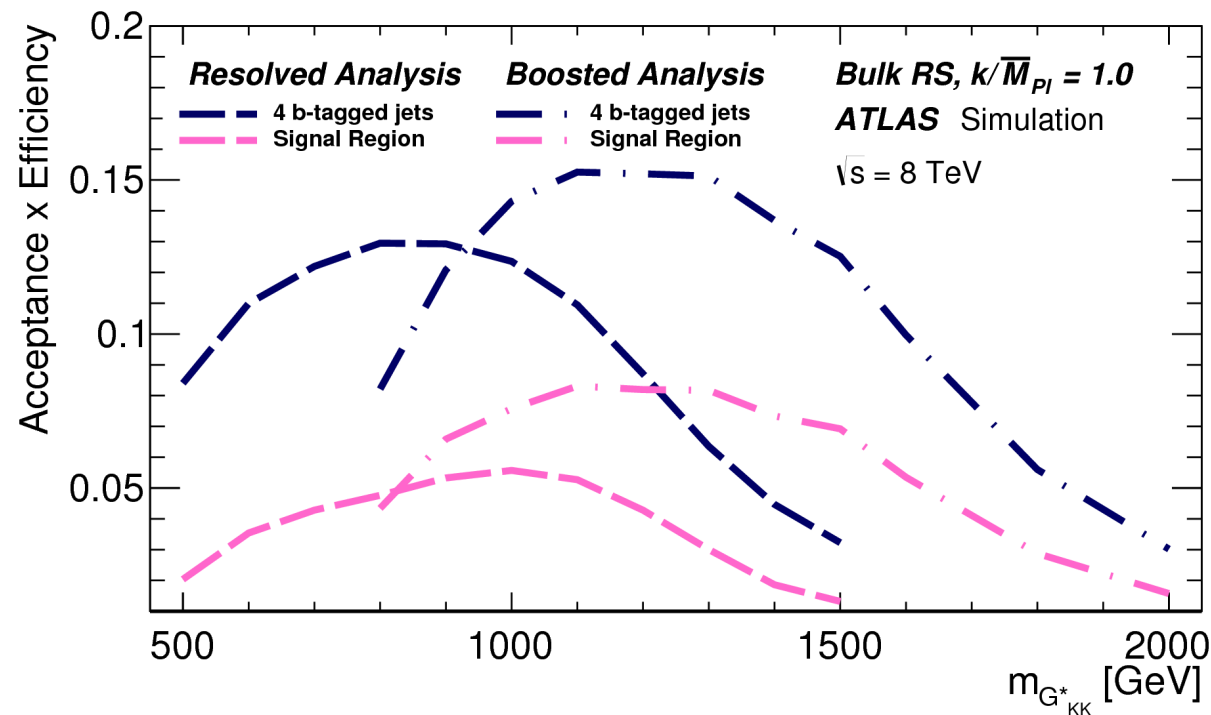
H->hh->bbbb

arXiv:1506.00285

- Looking for both resonant and non-resonant hh production

In order to improve performance the analysis is split in two categories:

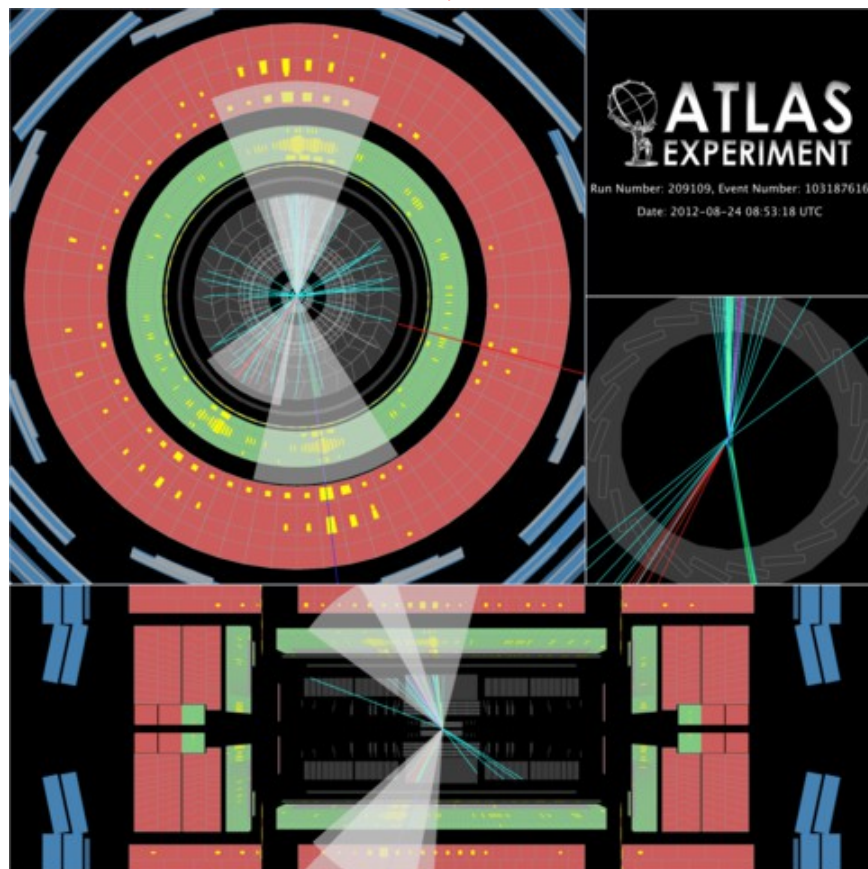
- ◇ **“Resolved” analysis**
 - uses 4 b-tagged jets
- ◇ **“Boosted” analysis**
 - uses special techniques to reconstruct the boosted bb pair at high masses



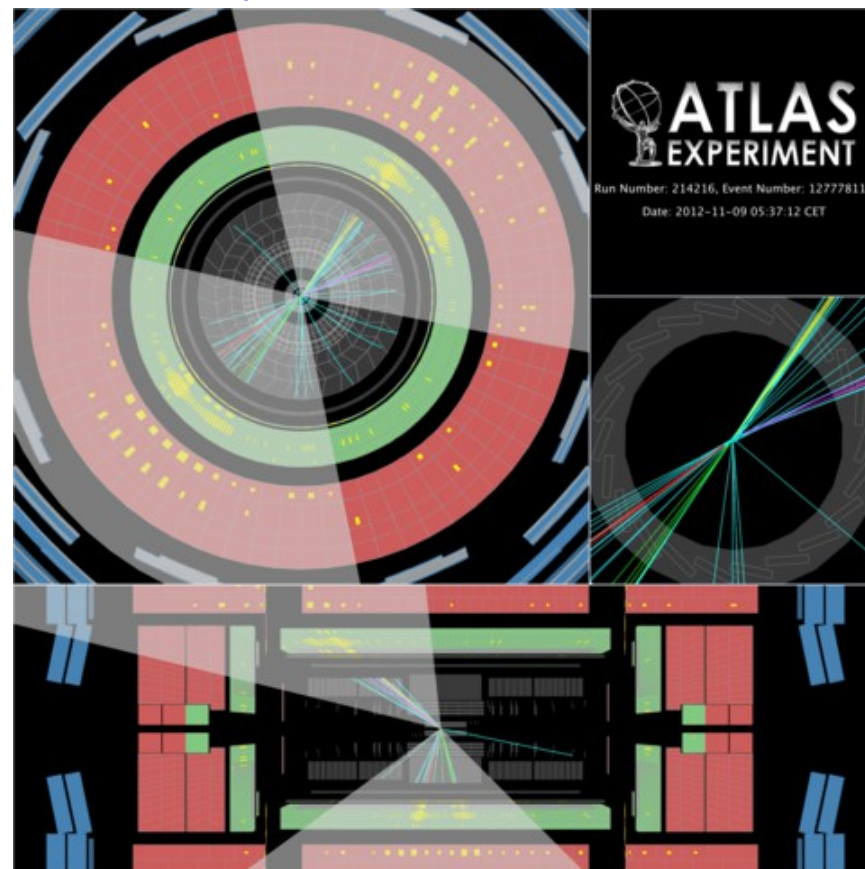
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Event examples: “resolved” and “boosted”



$m(4j) = 809 \text{ GeV}$
dijet $p_T = 394 \text{ GeV}$ and 333 GeV



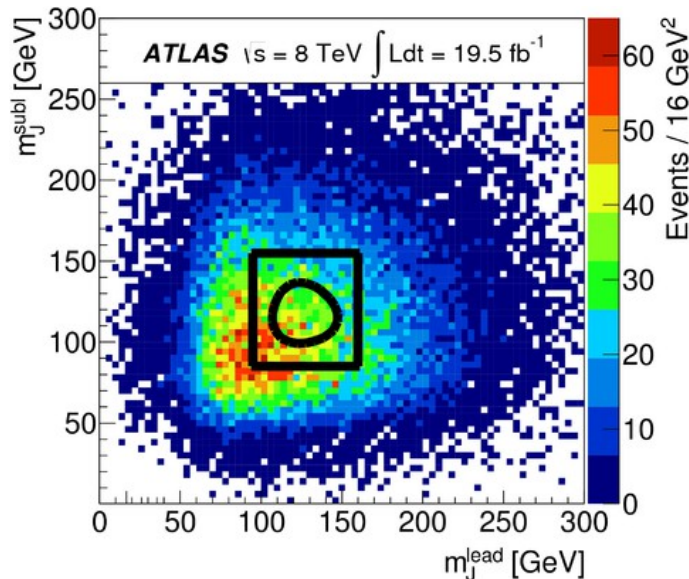
$m(2j) = 1030 \text{ GeV}$
jet $p_T = 447 \text{ GeV}$ and 441 GeV

H->hh->bbbb

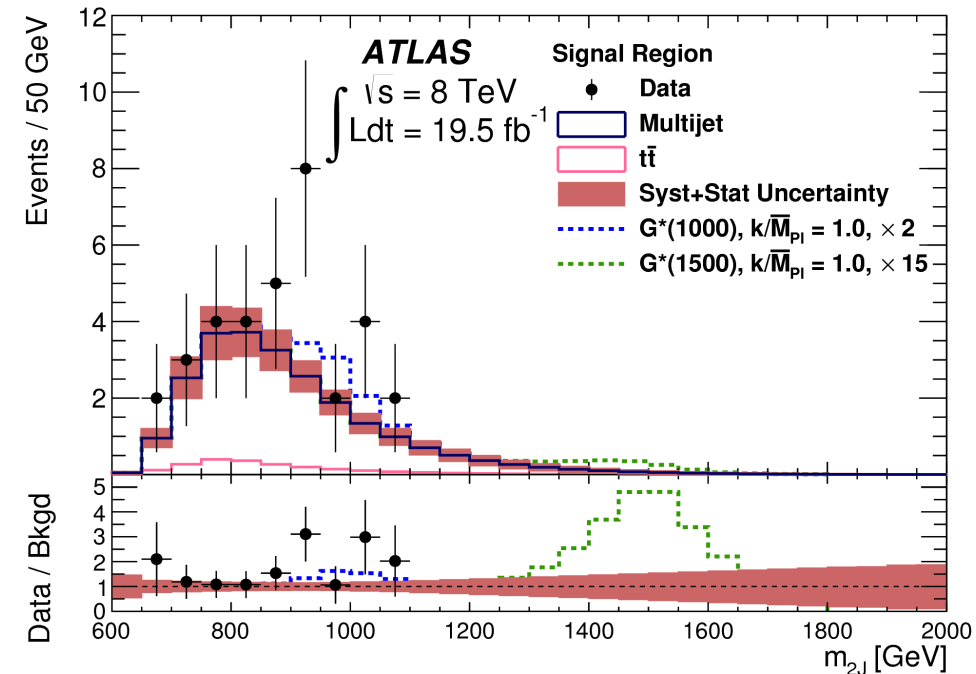
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• “Boosted” analysis highlights

- ◇ two “large jets” anti-kt R=1.0
- ◇ $p_T > 350$ GeV, 250 GeV
- ◇ $|\Delta\eta(\text{jet1}, \text{jet2})| < 1.7$ (vs multi-jet)
- ◇ 4 b-tagged jets
- ◇ Backgrounds: multi-jet ~90%, top ~10%



Mass distribution for the full selection

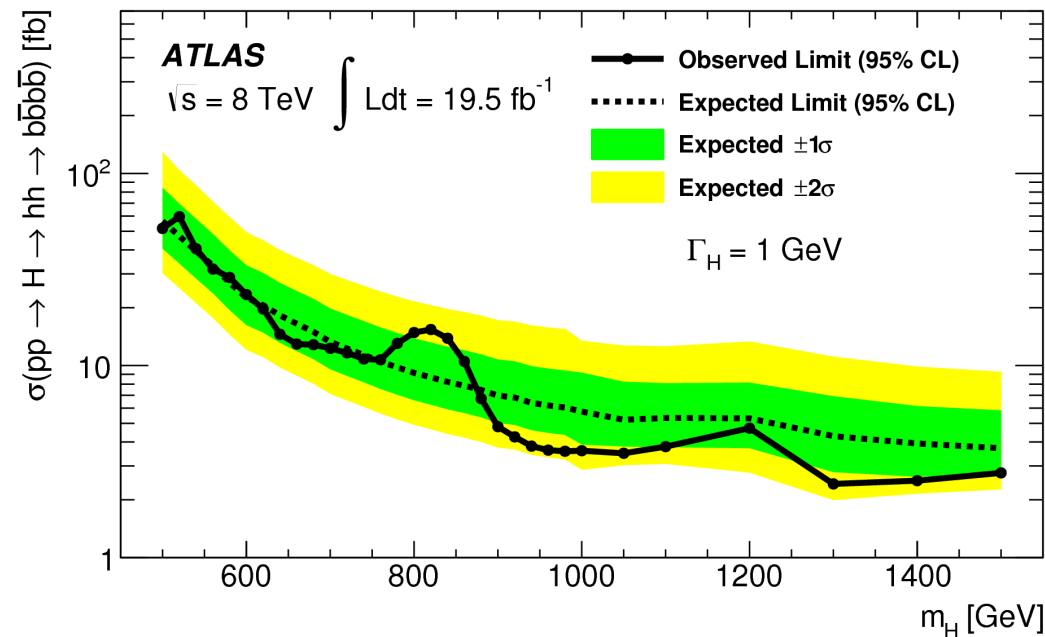
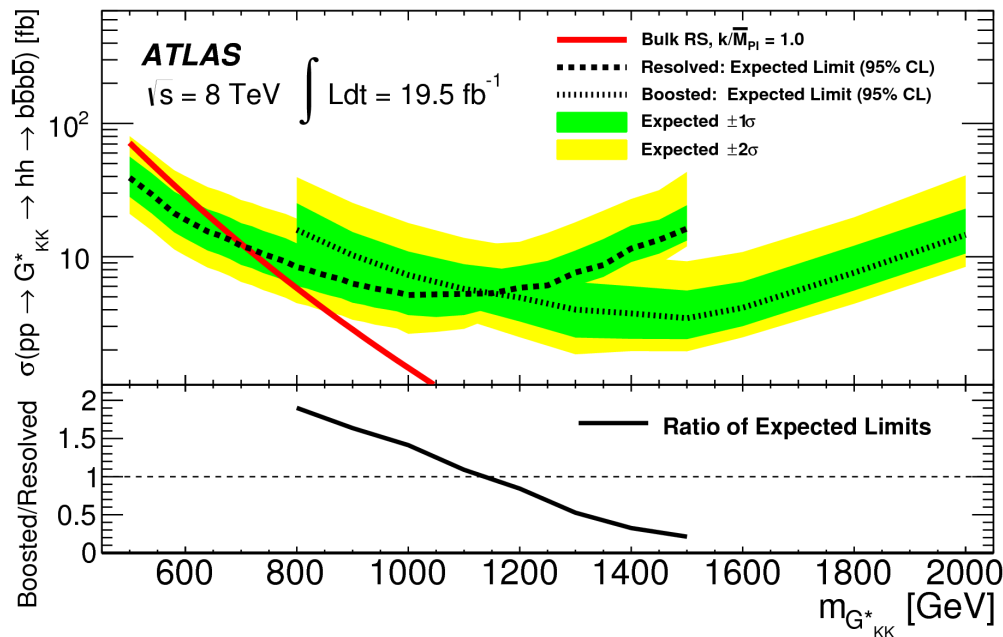


Backgrounds are estimated in a data driven way using the side-bands and the number of b-tagged jets

H->hh->bbbb

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- Sensitivity comparison: “resolved” vs “boosted” and combined cross section limit



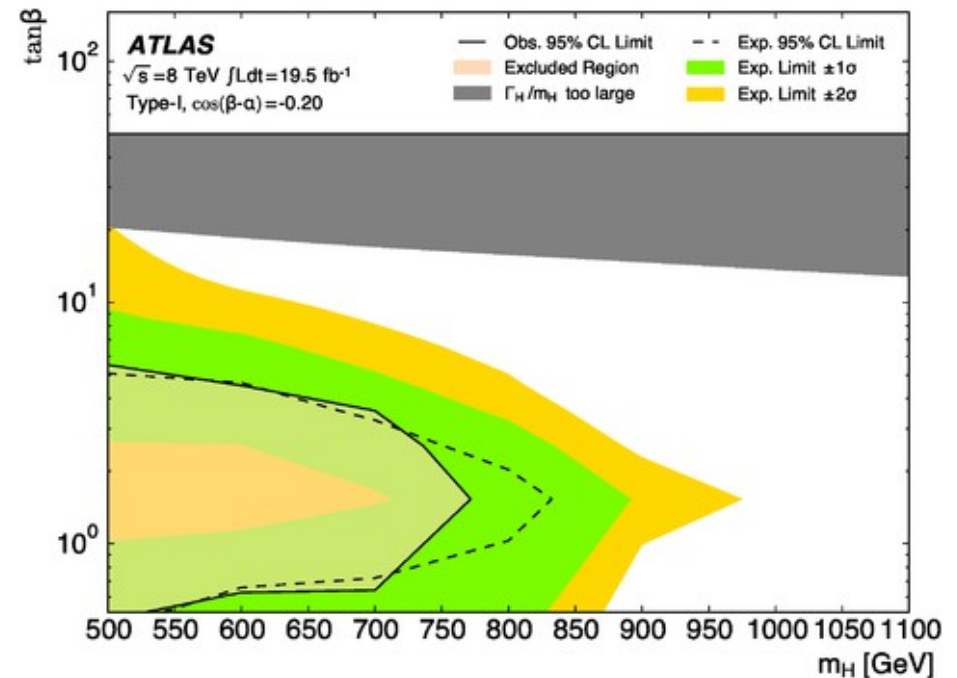
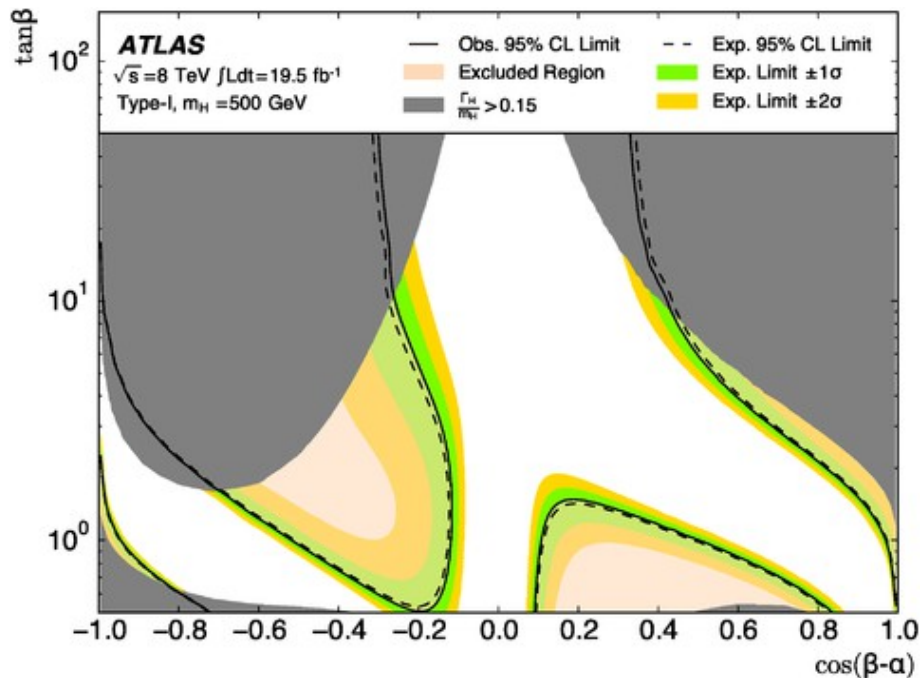
- Search for anomalous non resonant hh->bbbb production uses the resolved analysis only

ATLAS Limit $\sigma(pp \rightarrow hh \rightarrow bbbb) < 202 \text{ fb}$ (c.f. SM production $\sim 4 \text{ fb}$)

H->hh->bbbb

arXiv:1506.00285

- Interpretation of the resonance search in the CP-conserving 2HDM

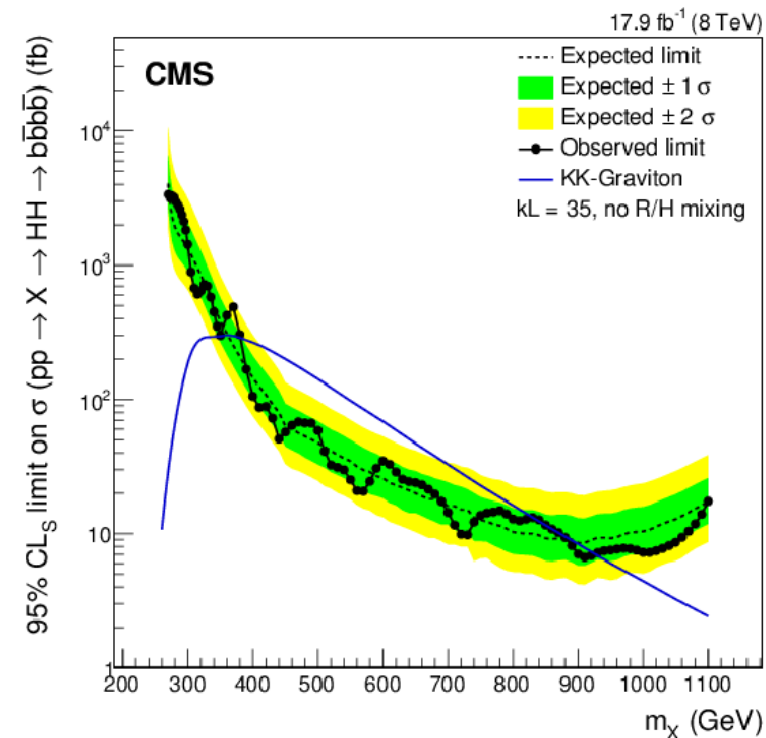
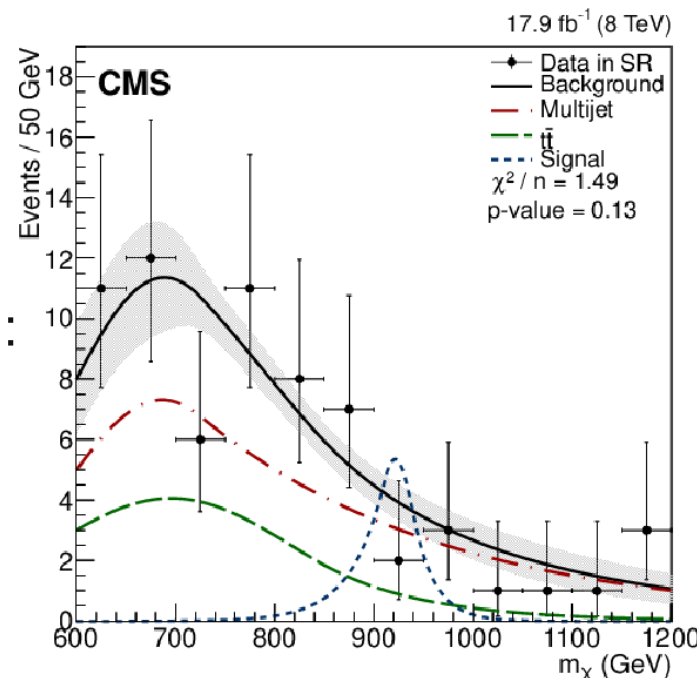


CMS H->hh->bbbb

arXiv:1503.04114

- Similar to the ATLAS analysis
 - Cut-based, no use of boosting techniques, but separate optimization for low and high mass
 - Similar control regions as in ATLAS for the background estimation

Cross section limit for resonant hh production



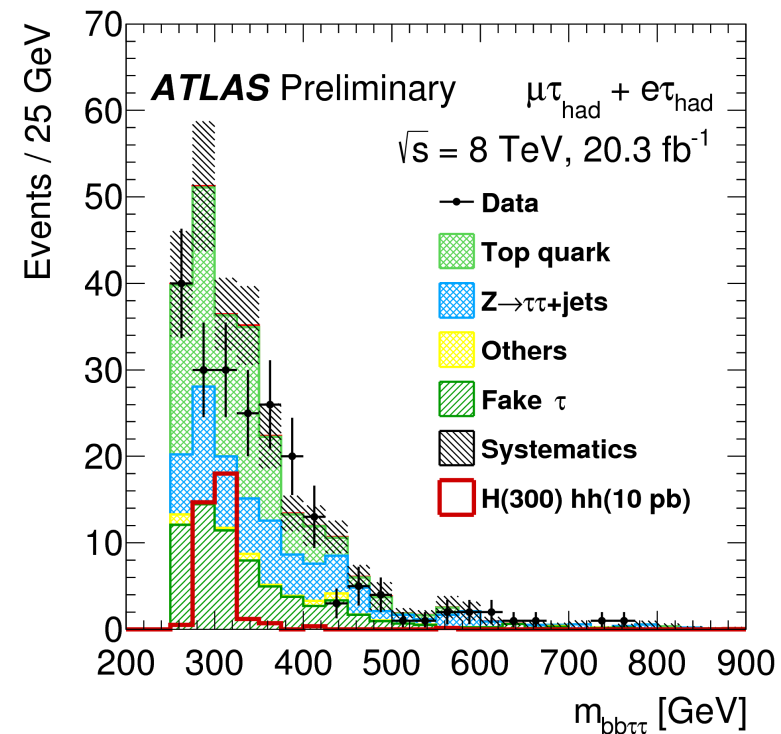
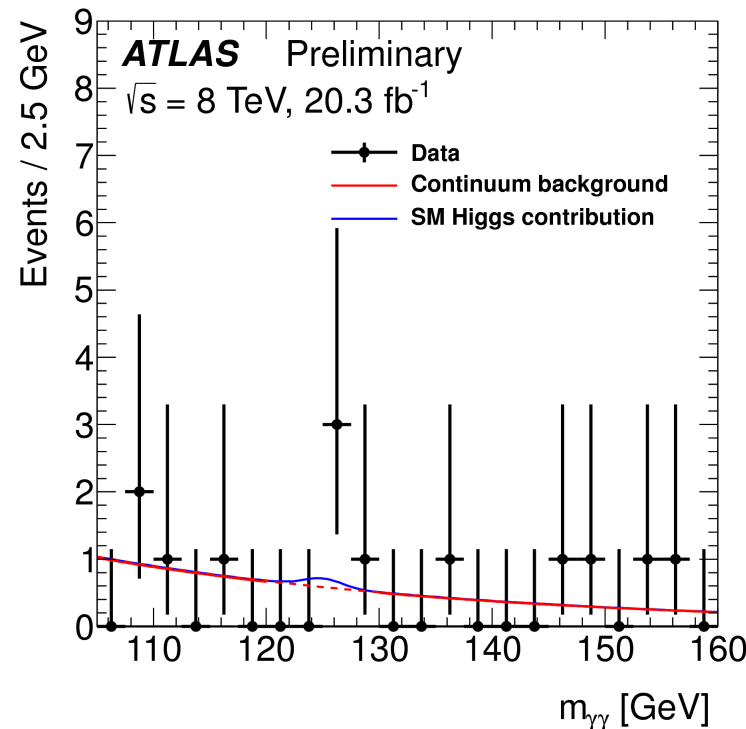
Example distribution: mH:
600 – 1200 GeV and
pT(Higgs) > 300 GeV

H->hh combination

- ATLAS has also a combination paper for hh production that includes: **bb $\tau\tau$, $\gamma\gamma WW^*$** , $\gamma\gamma bb$, bbbb

◇ 2 new channels *New!*

◇ bbbb: only resolved analysis, since the focus is on masses below 1 TeV

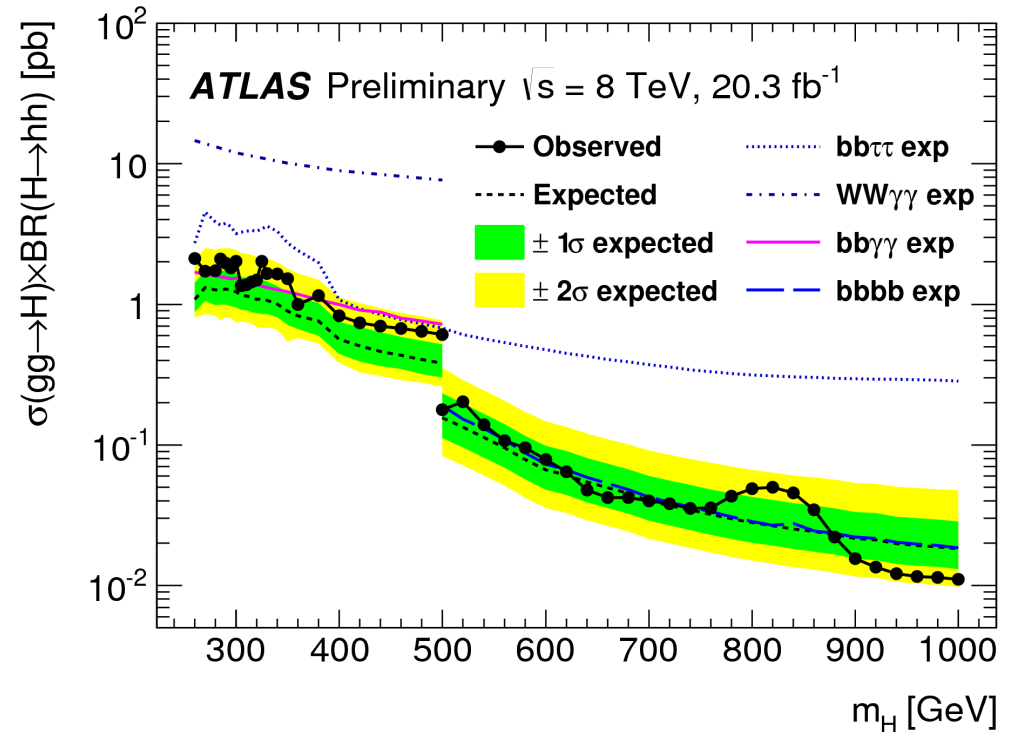


H->hh combination

• Results

Limit on resonant hh
production

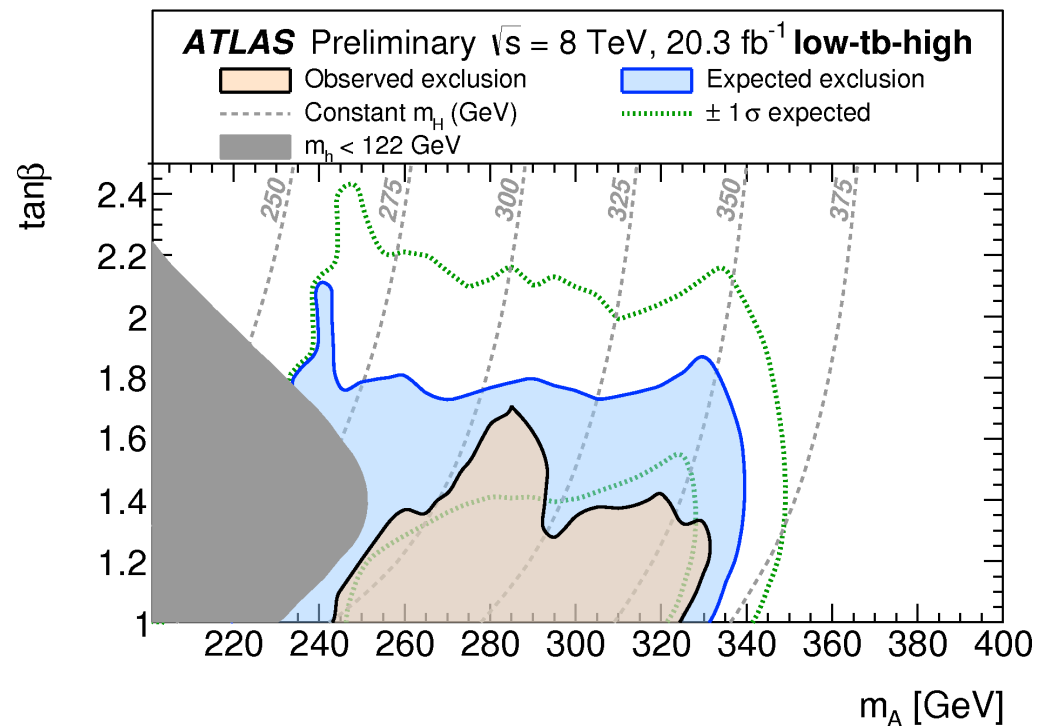
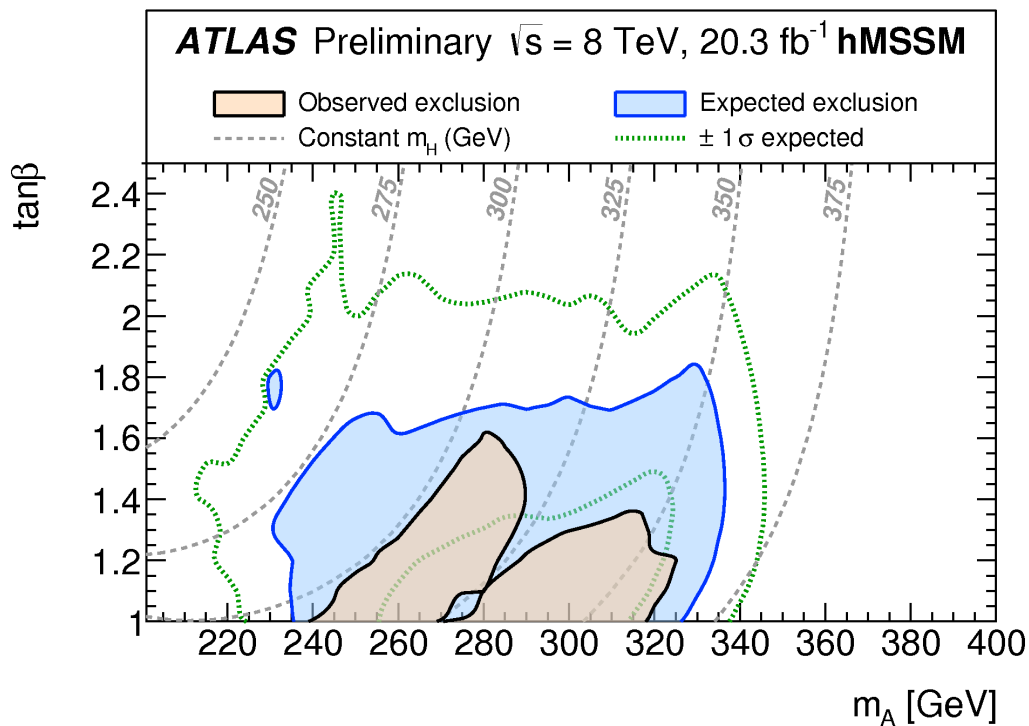
Limit on anomalous non-
resonant hh production



Analysis	$\gamma\gamma b\bar{b}$	$\gamma\gamma WW^*$	$b\bar{b}\tau\tau$	$bbbb$	Combined
Upper limit on the cross section [pb]					
Expected	1.0	6.7	1.3	0.62	0.47
Observed	2.2	11	1.6	0.62	0.69
Upper limit on the cross section relative to the SM prediction					
Expected	100	680	130	63	48
Observed	220	1150	160	63	70

H->hh combination

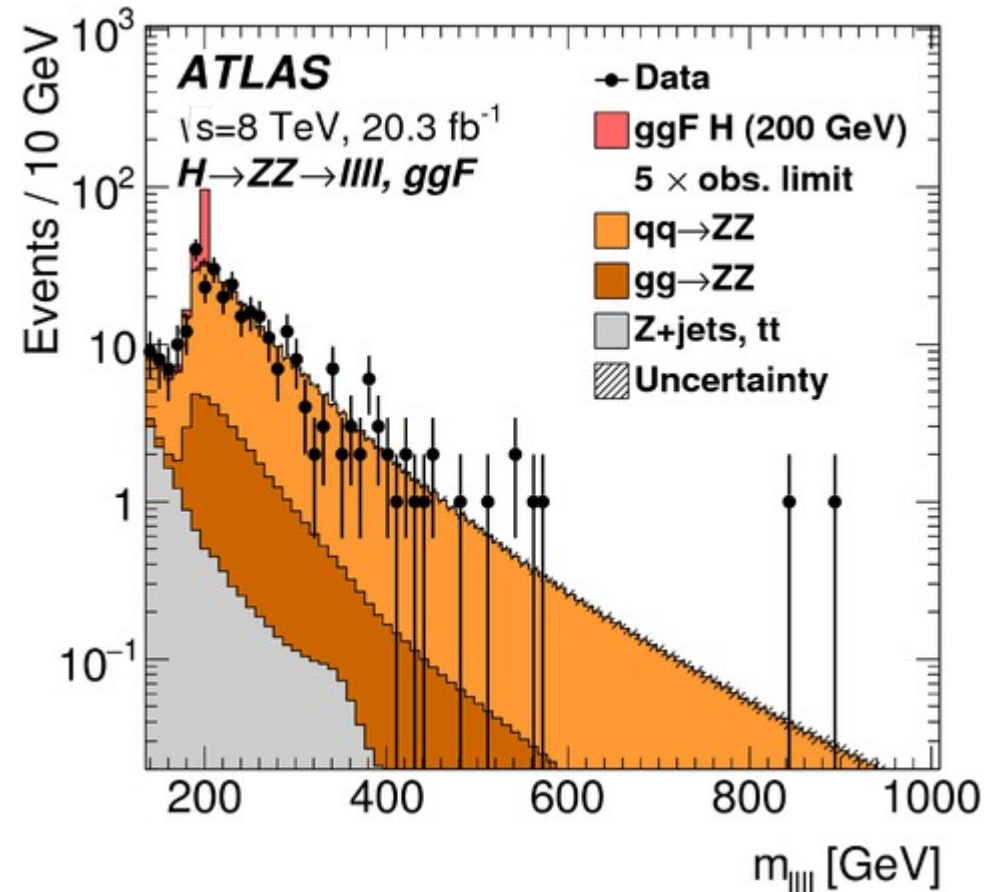
- Interpretation: hMSSM and low-tb-high



H- $\rightarrow$ ZZ

- Search for a Heavy Higgs decaying to ZZ and WW

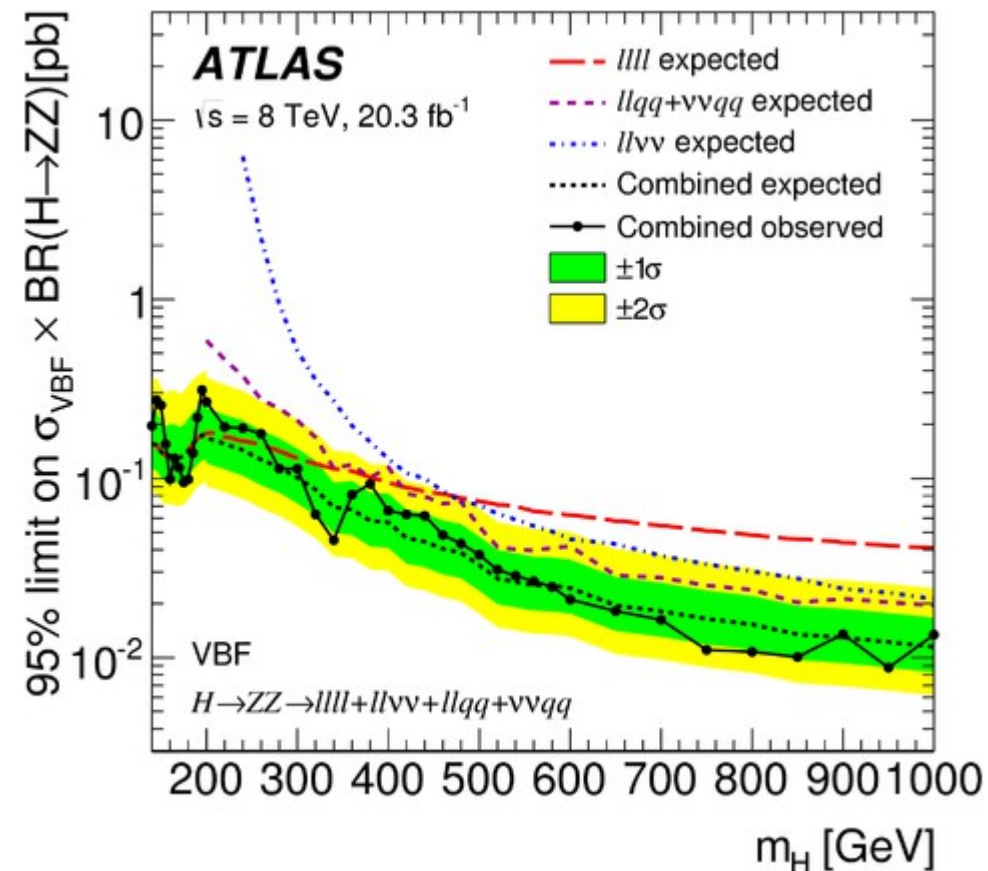
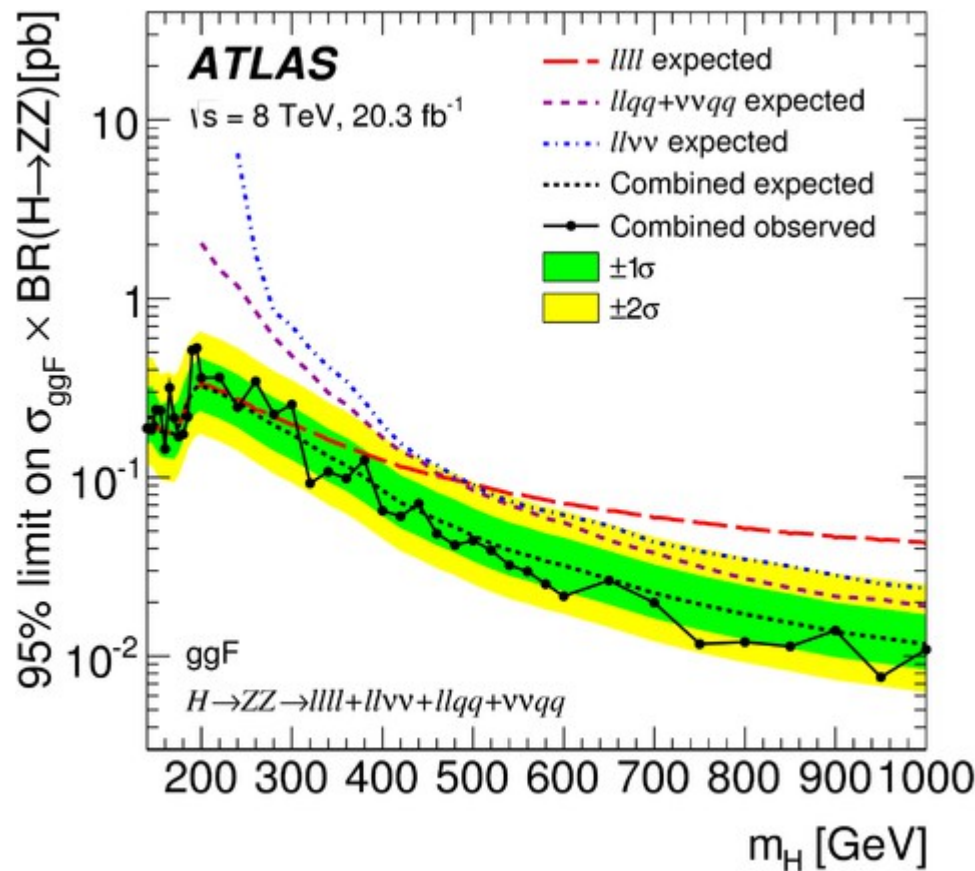
- ◇ 140 GeV – 1 TeV
- ◇ narrow width Higgs
- ◇ VBF, [VH], gluon-fusion
- ◇ Channels used:
 - ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l
 - ZZ $\rightarrow$ ll $\nu\nu$
 - ZZ $\rightarrow$ ll qq
 - ZZ $\rightarrow$ $\nu\nu$ qq



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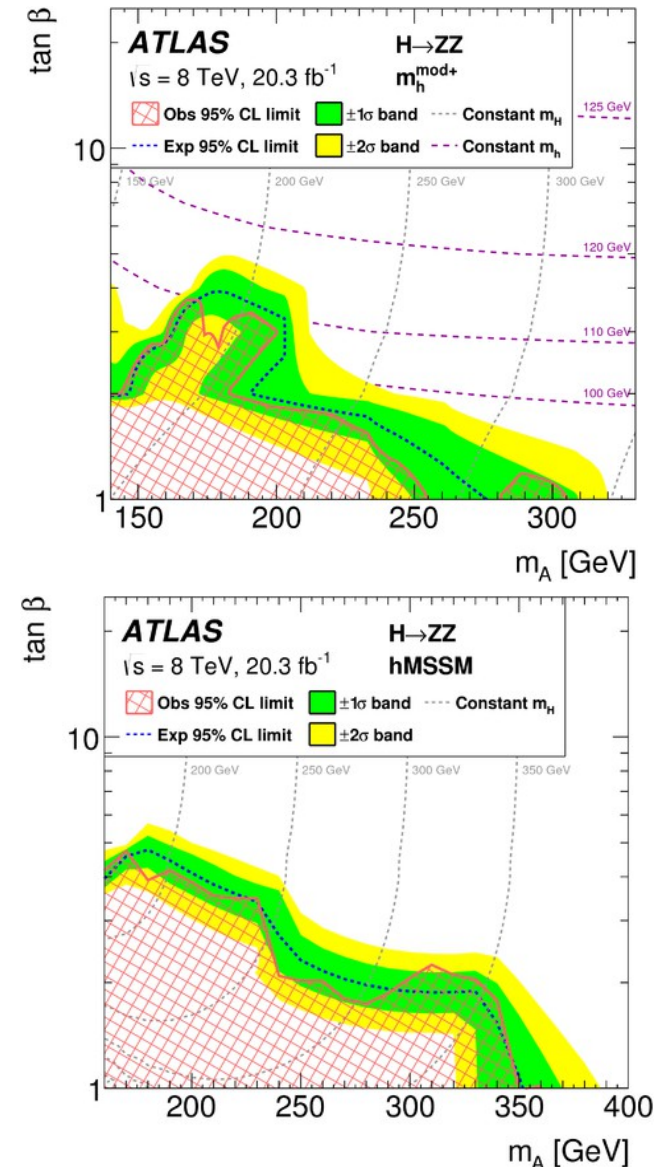
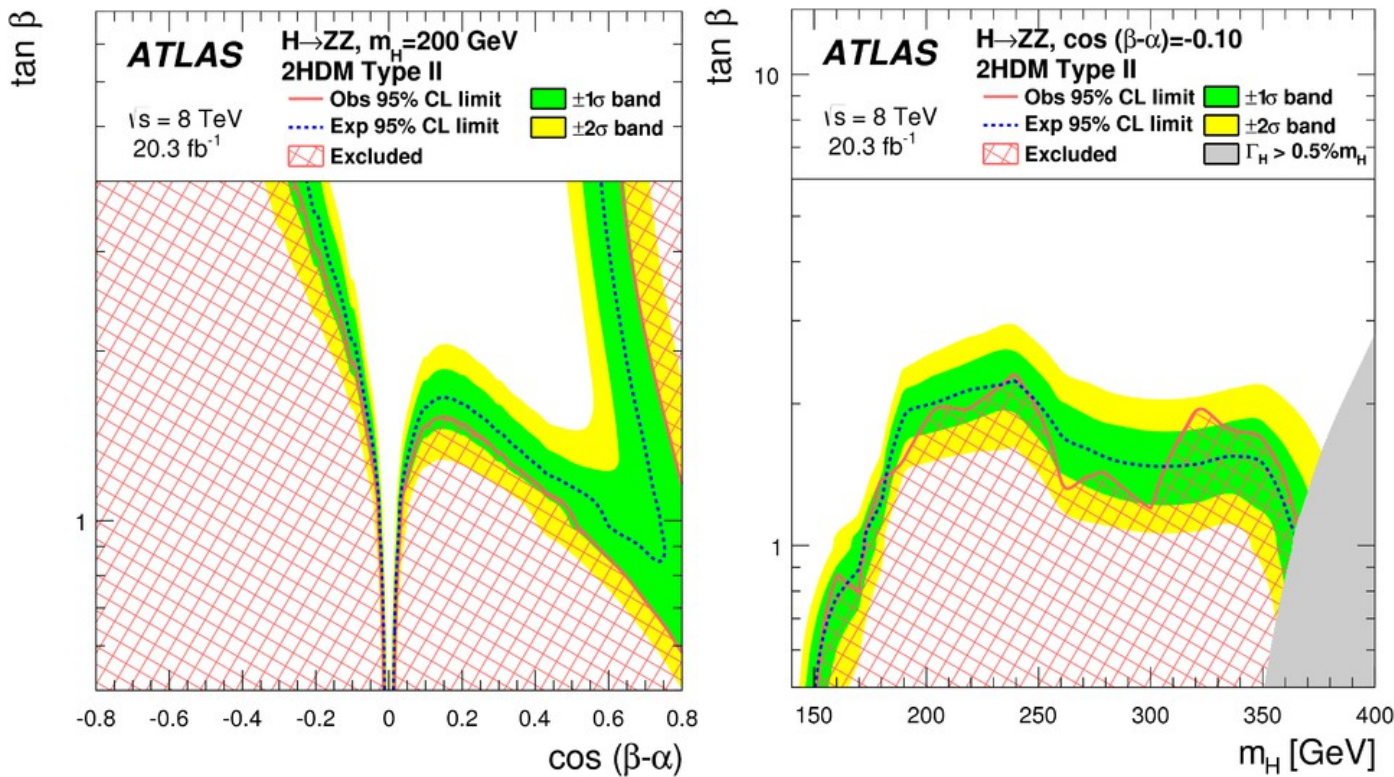
Cross section limits

- Assuming single production mechanism



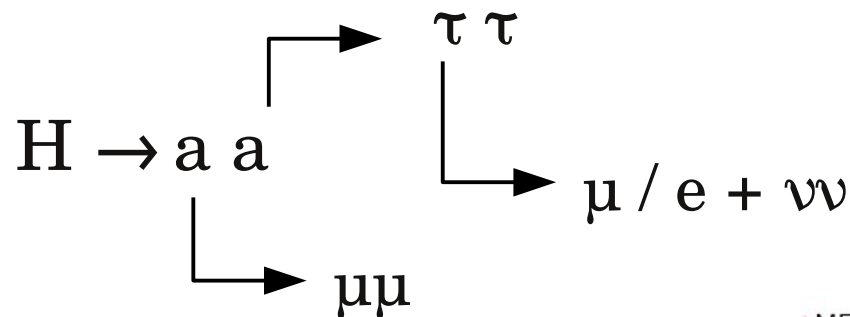
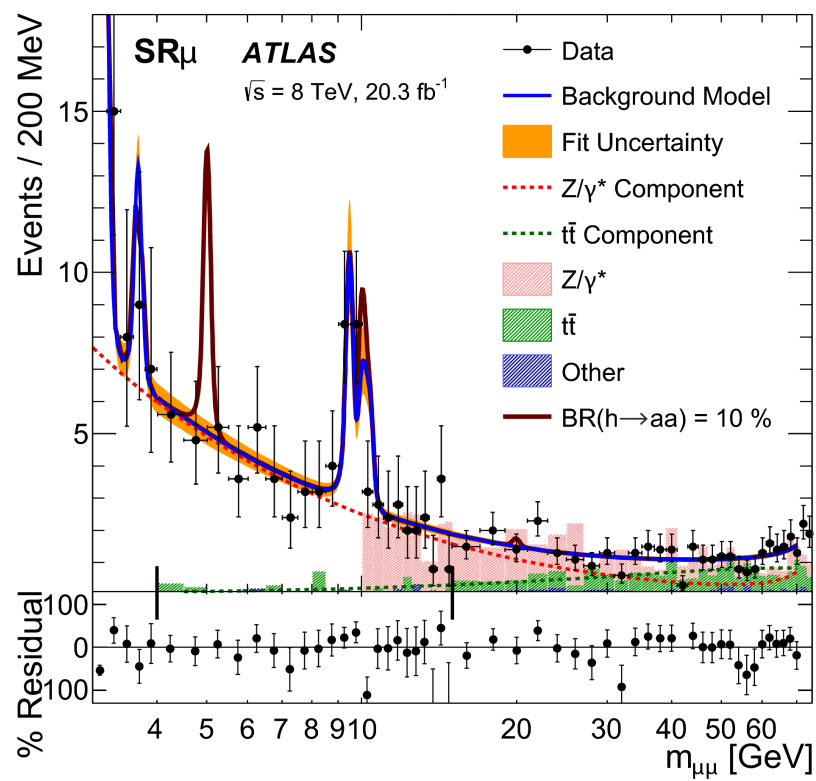
Search interpretation

Interpretation in 2HDM and various
MSSM scenarios

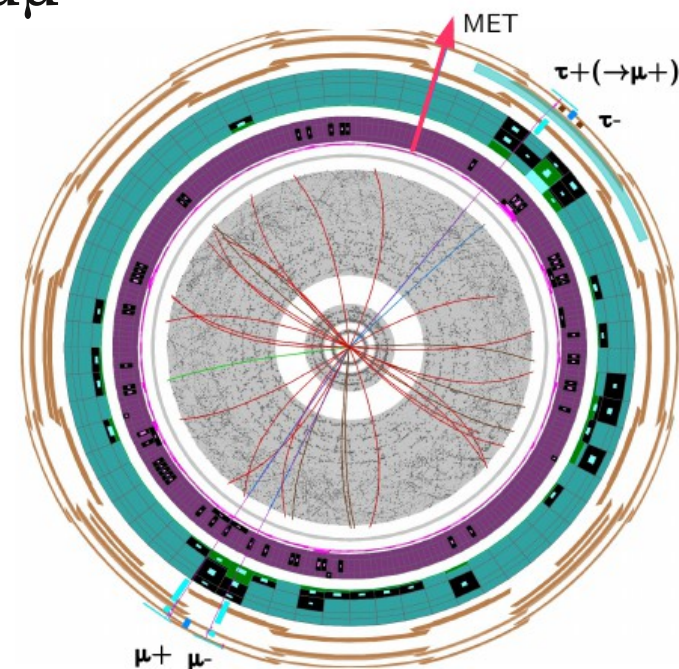


NMSSM-inspired $H \rightarrow aa$

- Various NMSSM inspired results mostly for $H \rightarrow aa$
- Example: **arXiv:1505.01609**

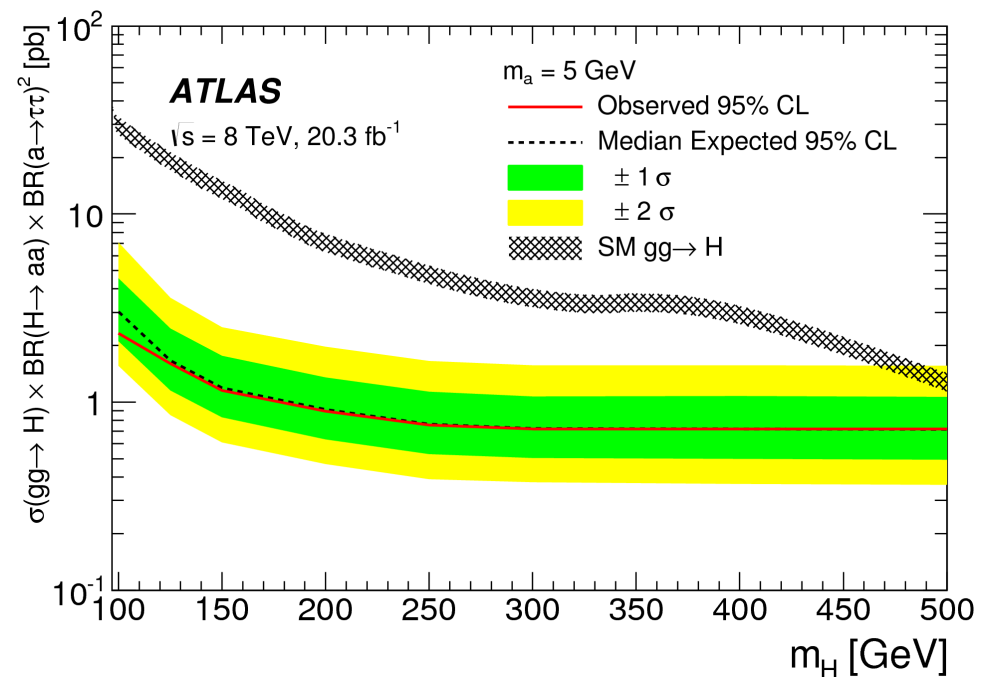
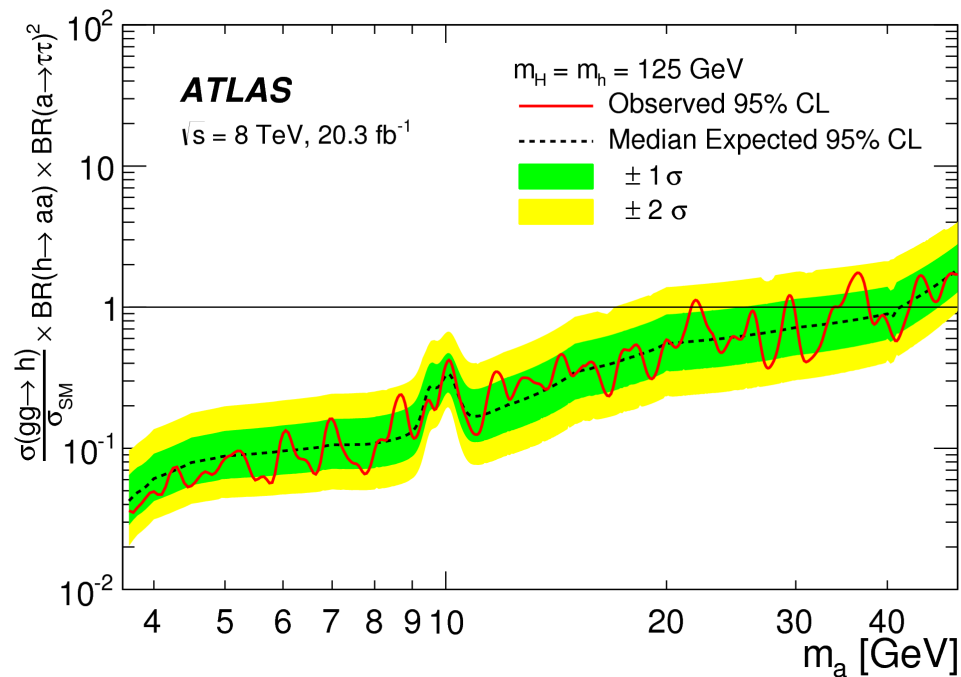


Searching for a bump in the $\mu\mu$ spectrum



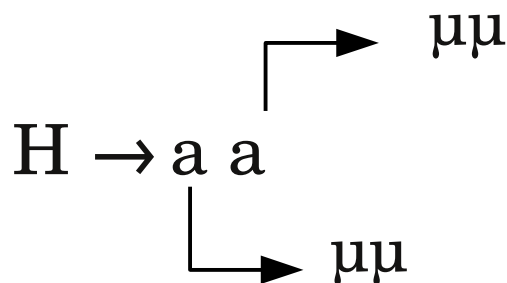
NMSSM-inspired $H \rightarrow aa$

Look for m_a in the mass range: 3.7 – 50 GeV and for a heavy Higgs decaying to aa in the range 100 – 500 GeV

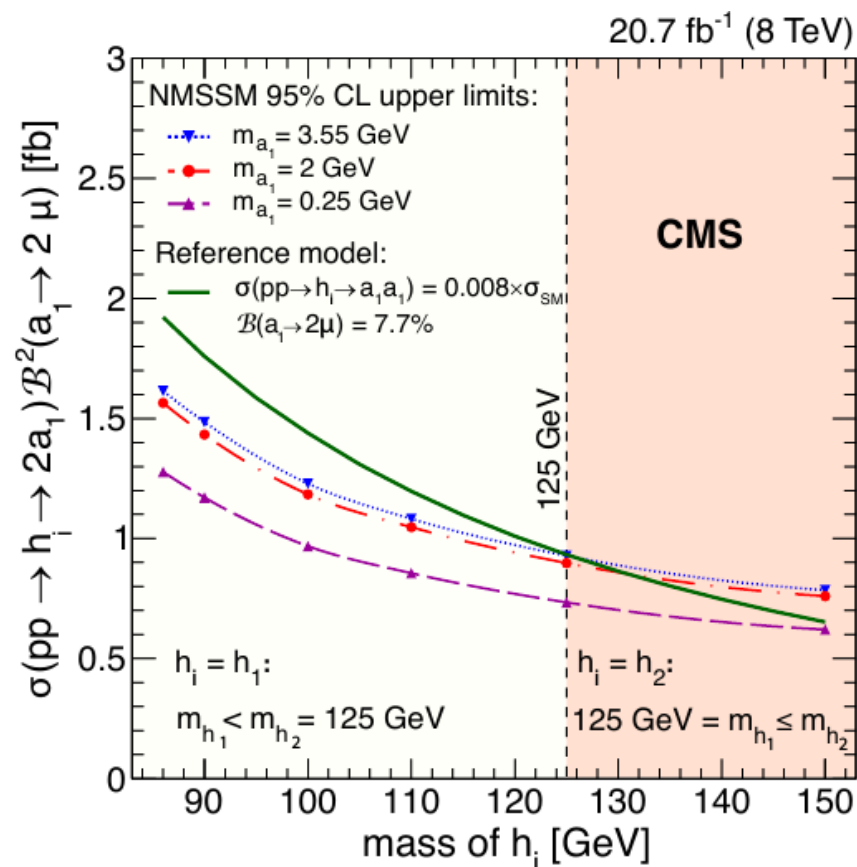
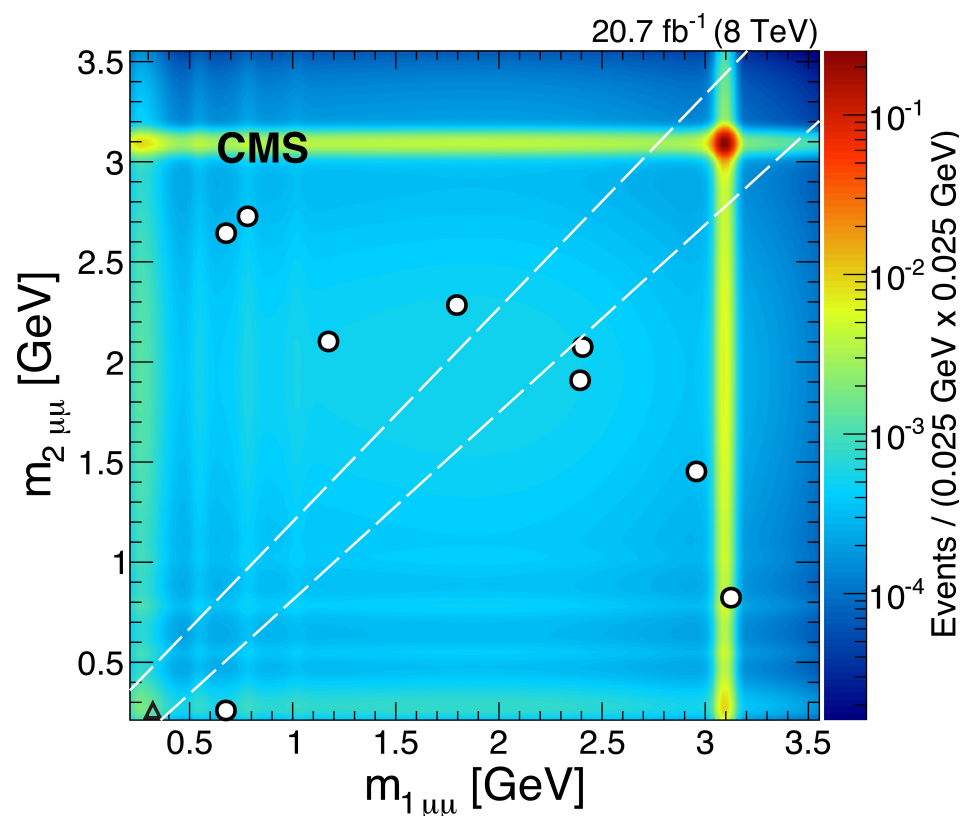


CMS NMSSM searches

- Some recent searches

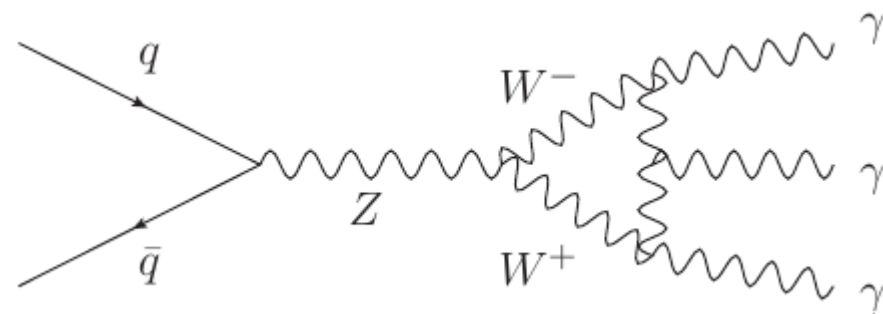
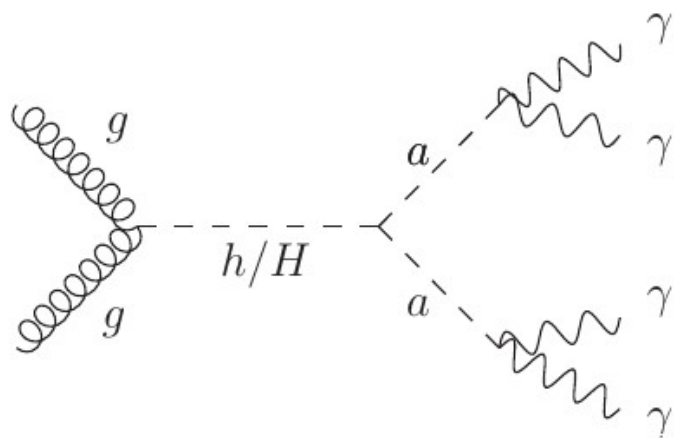


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NMSSM-inspired $H \rightarrow aa$

- Looking for events with 3 photons: sensitive to $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow 4\gamma$ and to more exotic signatures like $Z \rightarrow 3\gamma$



◇ Search is based on a trigger with 3 γ s with some shower shape requirements

◇ Event candidates have isolated 3 γ s with $p_T > 22, > 22, > 17$ GeV

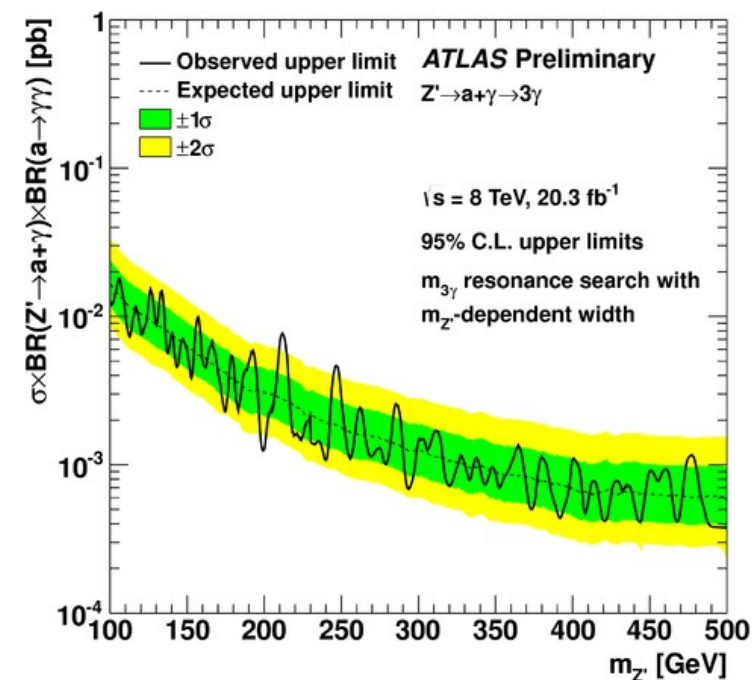
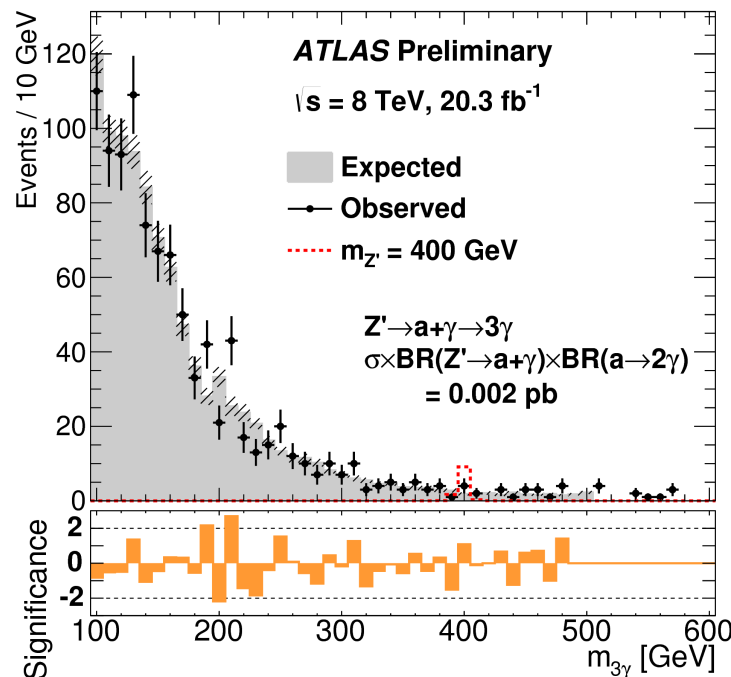
◇ Data-driven estimation of the events with jet(s) faking γ (s) based on the isolation shape

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3 photon search

- Inclusive search in the 80 – 100 GeV $m(3\gamma)$ region gives a constraint $BR(Z \rightarrow 3\gamma) < 2.2 \times 10^{-6}$ (c.f. LEP result $< 10^{-5}$)
- Resonance search in the $m(2\gamma)$ and $m(3\gamma)$ distributions from a fit to the sideband region

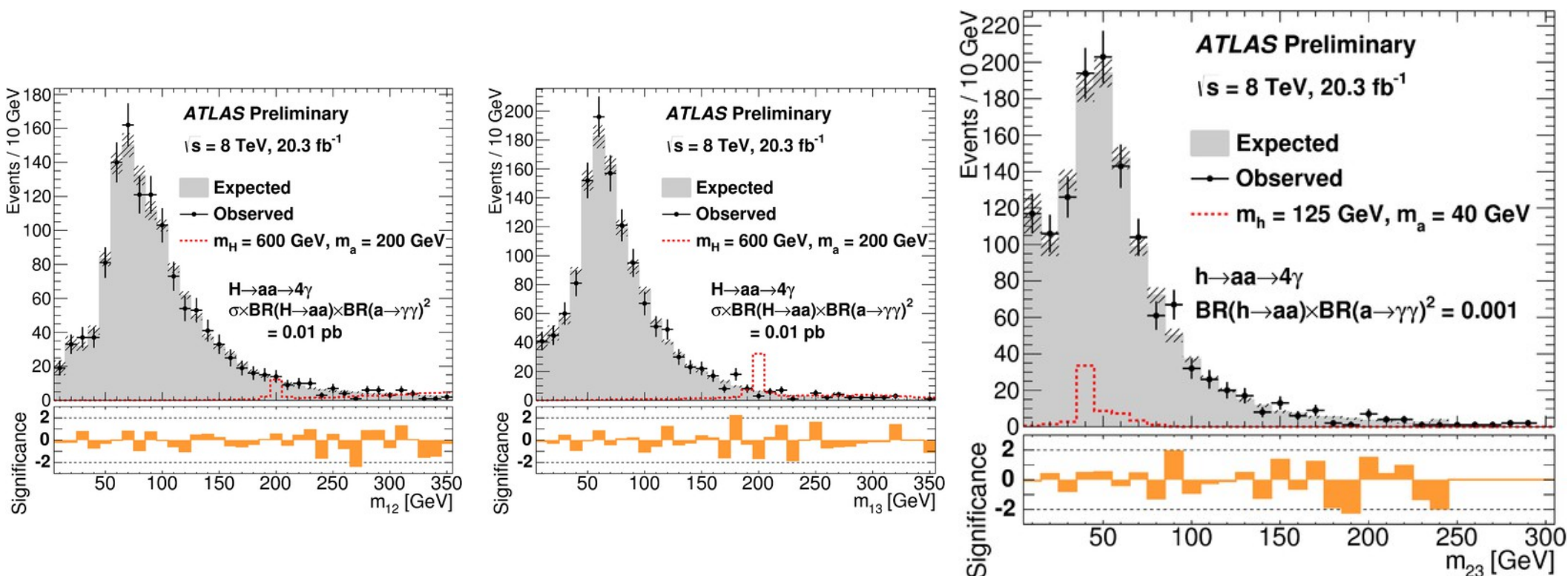
The 3γ search starts from 100 GeV;
The background shown in gray is just for illustration



3 photon search

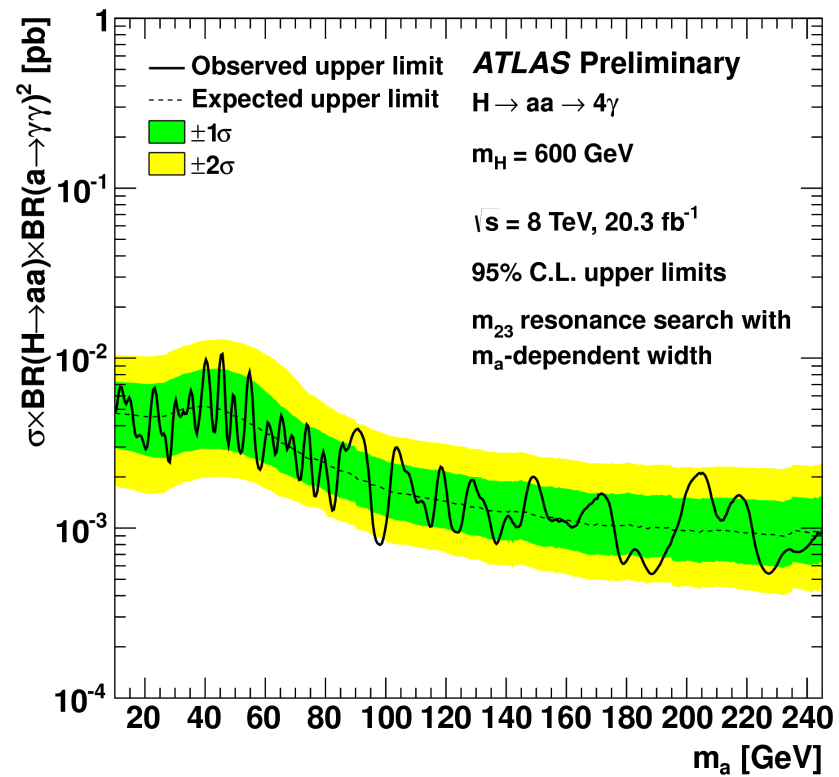
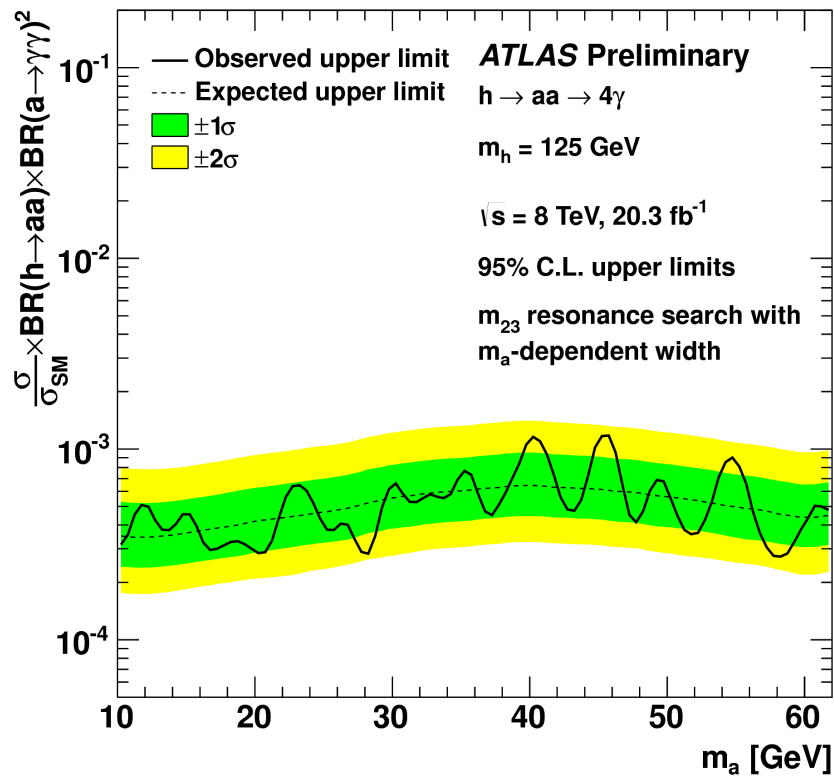
The 2γ search starts from 10 GeV and examines all the photon pairs (photons are p_T ordered)

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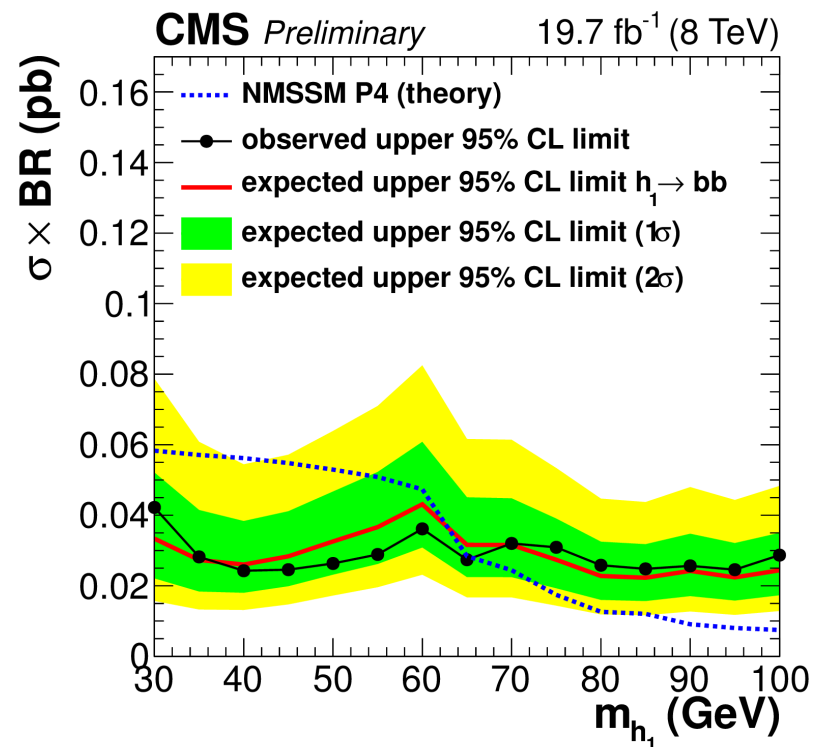
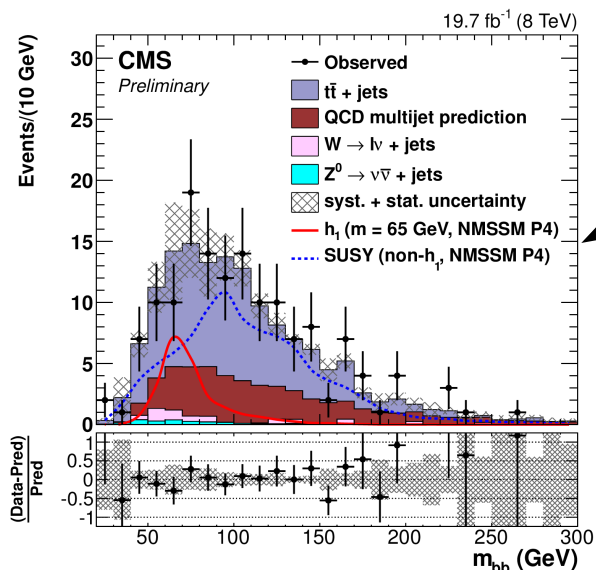
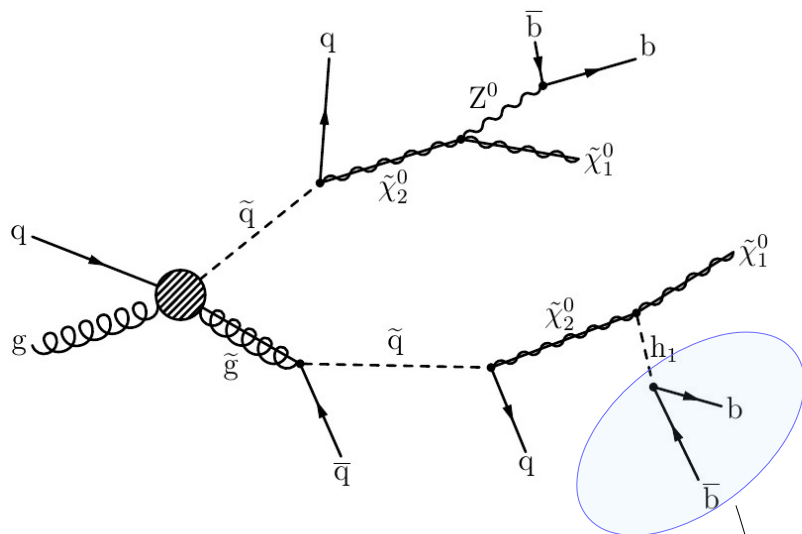
3 photon search

- Limits for the production of the 125-GeV Higgs and for a heavy BSM Higgs decaying to 4γ



CMS-PAS-HIG-14-030

A light higgs boson produced in a SUSY-inspired cascade: hard jets, MET and b-jets from Higgs decay

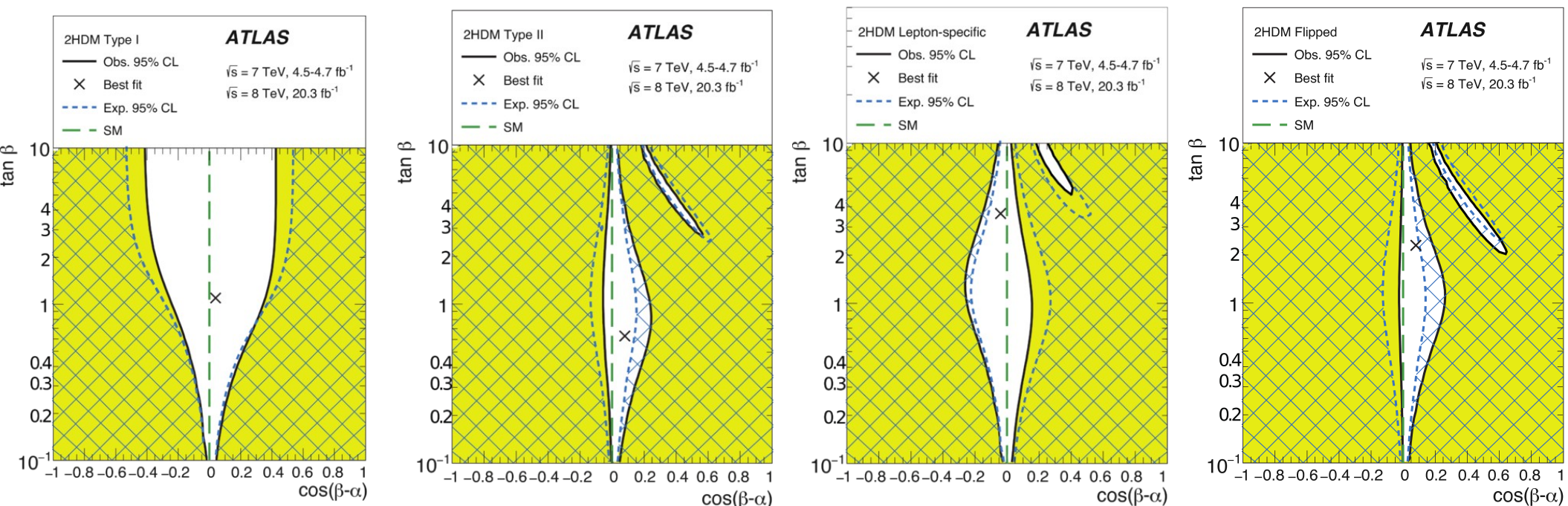


Shown prediction from an NMSSM benchmark taken from arXiv:0801.4321

Higgs couplings re-interpretation

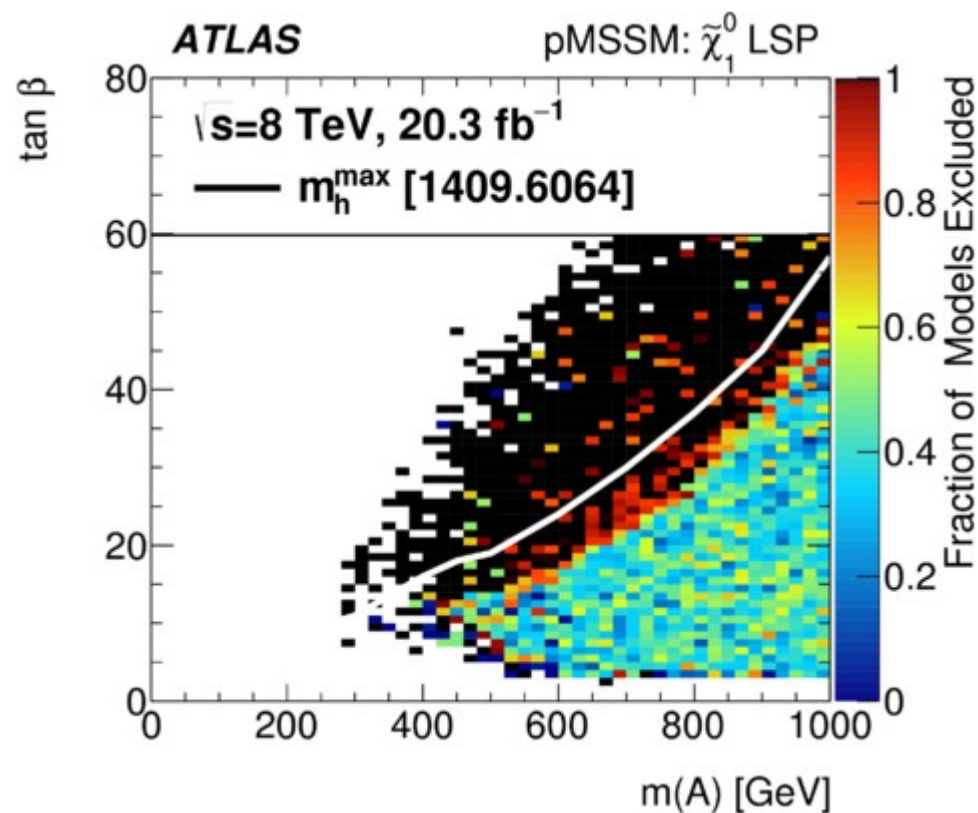
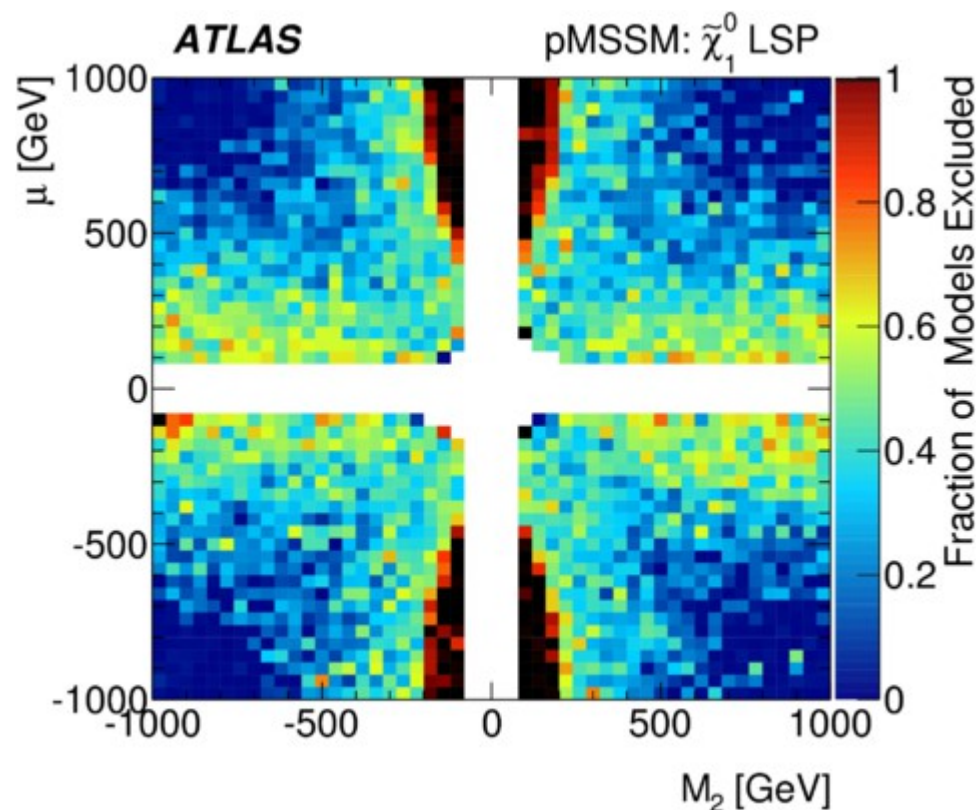
- ATLAS has finalized the Run-I Higgs coupling re-interpretation in arXiv:1509.00672, which was presented also in Higgs Days 2014 as ATLAS-CONF-2014-010

Example: CP-conserving 2HDM coupling measurement interpretation



A/H- $\rightarrow$ tautau impact on pMSSM **NEW!**

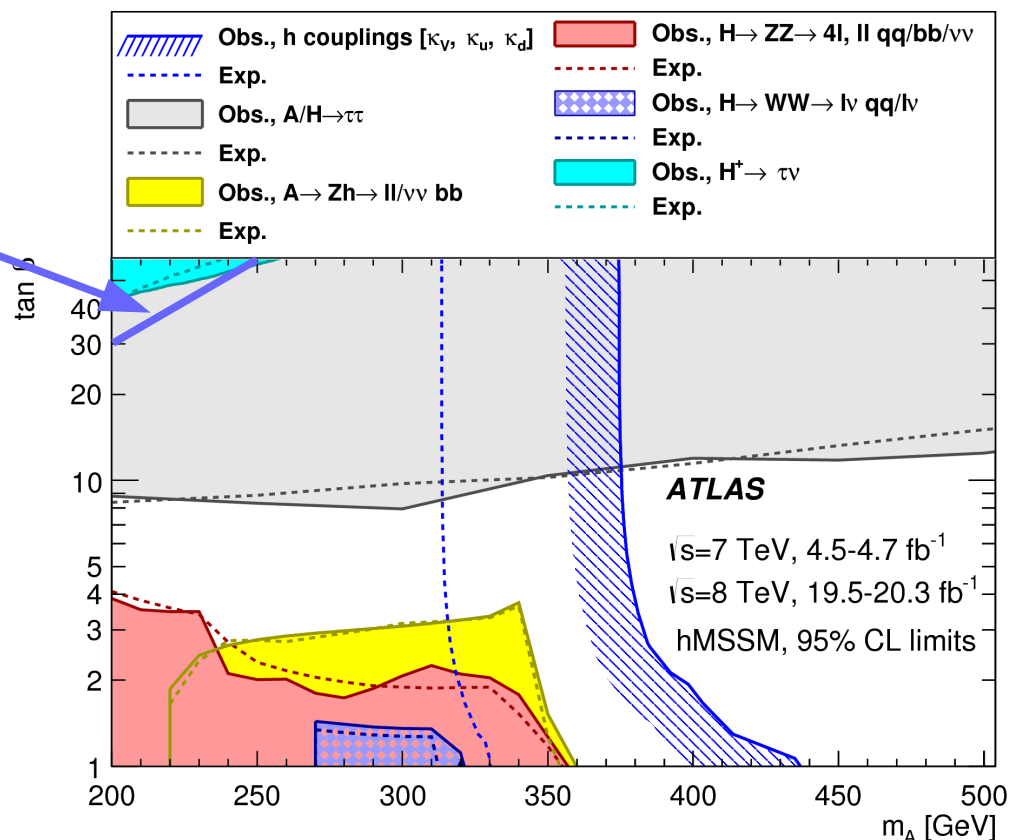
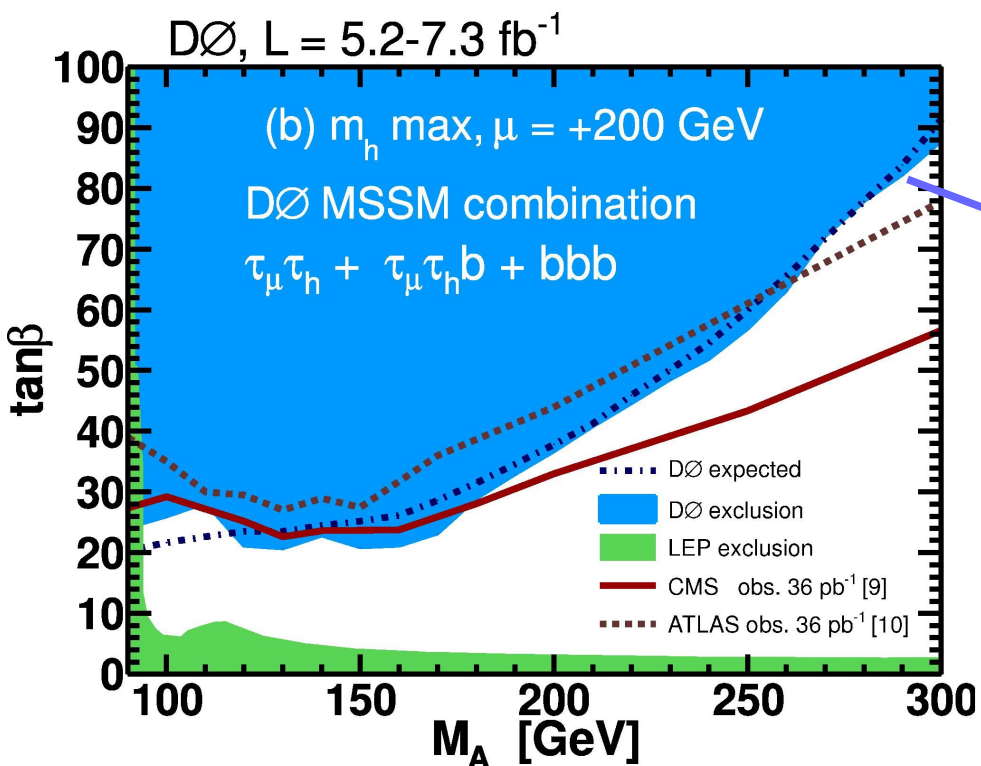
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Final Remarks

- In LHC Run-I we went a very long way
 - Lots of channels improved a lot the sensitivity
- Let's see what Run-II has now in stock for us



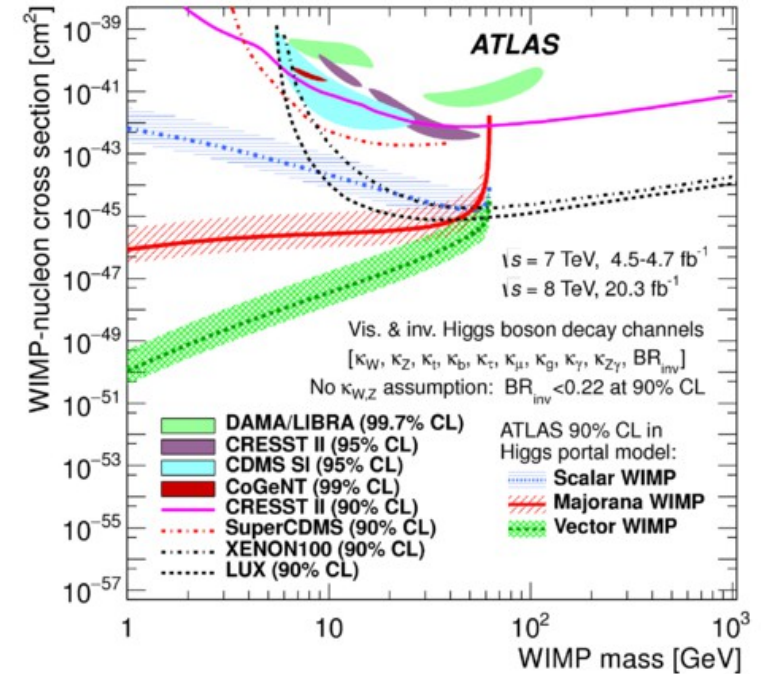
Additional slides

Higgs couplings re-interpretation

Combination of the Higgs to invisible channels in ATLAS:

Direct searches: VBF and $Z(\rightarrow \ell\ell)h$

Channels	Obs.	Exp.
VBF h	0.28	0.31
$Z(\rightarrow \ell\ell)h$	0.75	0.62
$V(\rightarrow jj)h$	0.78	0.86
Combined Results	0.25	0.27



Indirect constraints: channels included for the couplings:

$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$, $WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$, $Z\gamma$, $\tau\tau$, $\mu\mu$, bb

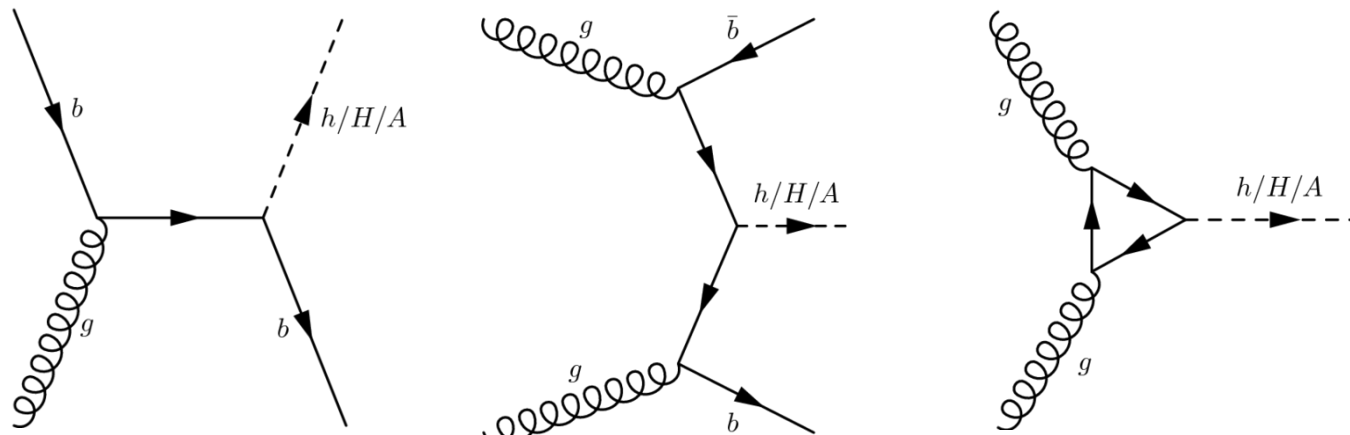
$$\kappa_h^2 = \Gamma_h / \Gamma_{h,SM} = \sum_j \kappa_j^2 BR_j / (1 - BR_{inv})$$

Decay channels	Coupling parameterisation	κ_i assumption	Upper limit on BR_{inv}	
			Obs.	Exp.
Invisible decays	$[\kappa_W, \kappa_Z, \kappa_t, \kappa_b, \kappa_\tau, \kappa_\mu, \kappa_g, \kappa_\gamma, \kappa_{Z\gamma}, BR_{inv}]$	$\kappa_{W,Z,g} = 1$	0.25	0.27
Visible decays	$[\kappa_W, \kappa_Z, \kappa_t, \kappa_b, \kappa_\tau, \kappa_\mu, \kappa_g, \kappa_\gamma, \kappa_{Z\gamma}, BR_{inv}]$	$\kappa_{W,Z} \leq 1$	0.49	0.48
Inv. & vis. decays	$[\kappa_W, \kappa_Z, \kappa_t, \kappa_b, \kappa_\tau, \kappa_\mu, \kappa_g, \kappa_\gamma, \kappa_{Z\gamma}, BR_{inv}]$	None	0.23	0.24
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MSSM $\tau\tau$ search

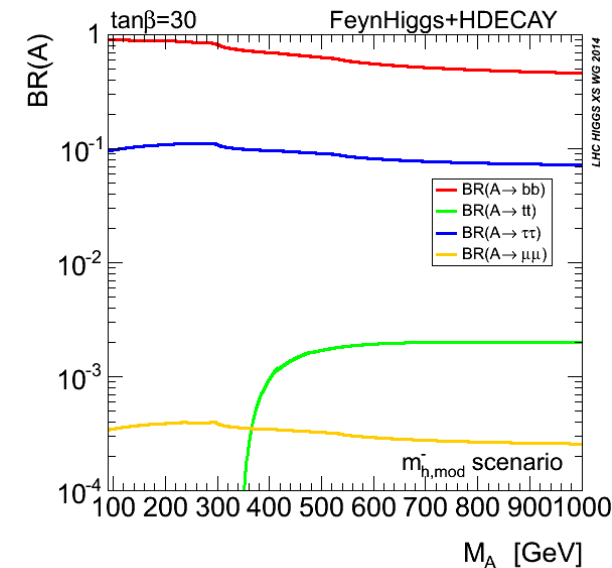
- The most standard BSM Higgs search

The standard MSSM mixture:
gluon-fusion + b-associated production



“b-associated” production dominates at high- $\tan\beta$

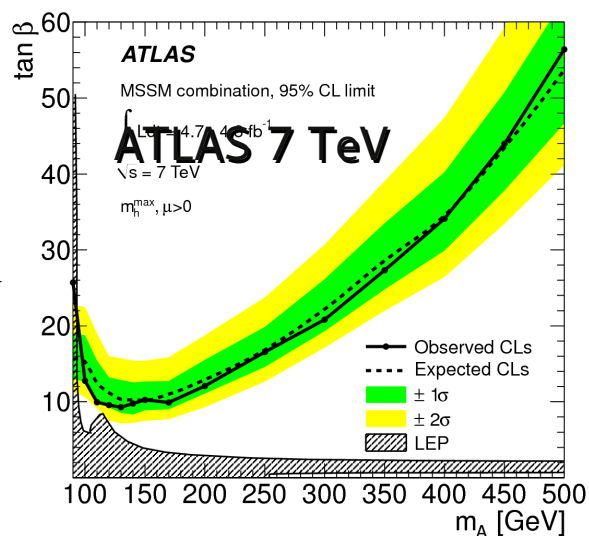
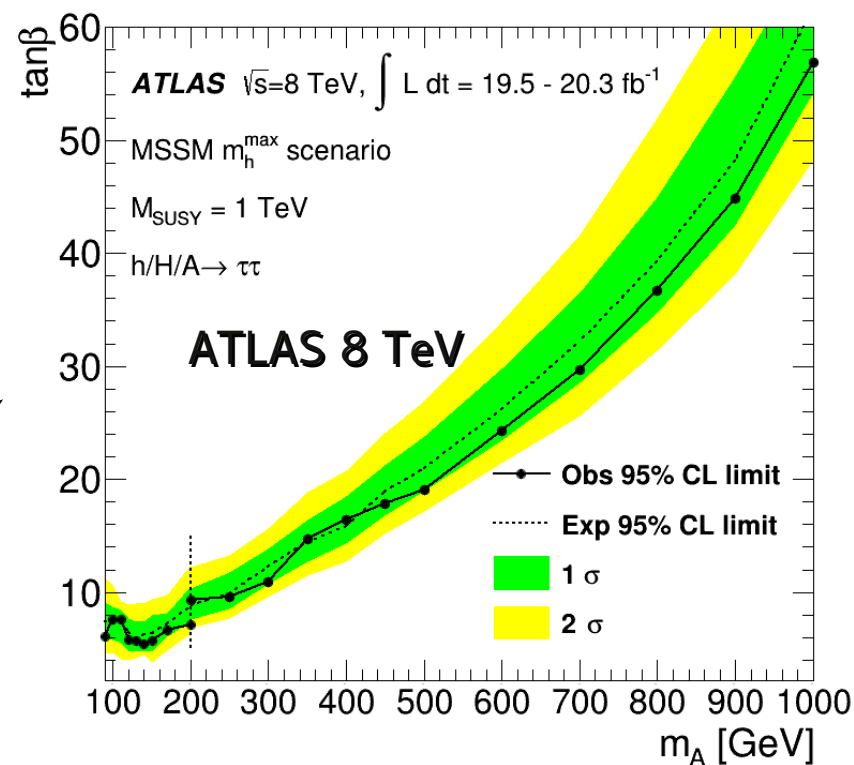
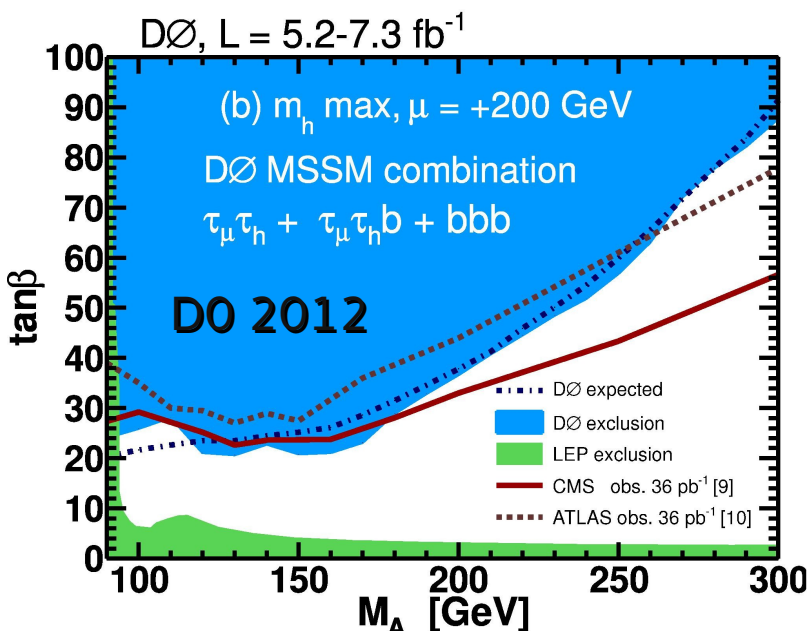
Branching ratio at moderate and high $\tan\beta$ is dominated by $h/H/A \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ($\sim 10\%$) and bb ($\sim 90\%$)



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MSSM τ search

A brief history of the constraints



MSSM $\tau\tau$ search

- Elements of the ATLAS 8 TeV search

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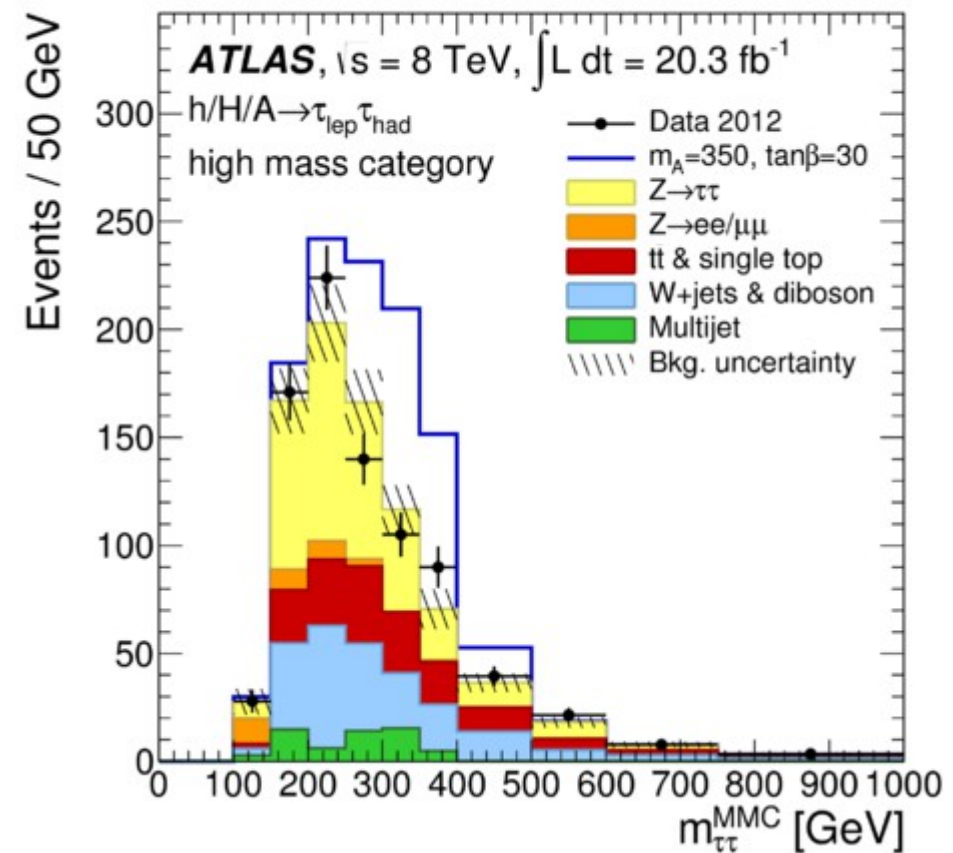
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- ◇ $\tau(\text{lep})\tau(\text{had})$ and $\tau(\text{lep})\tau(\text{lep})$ final states

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