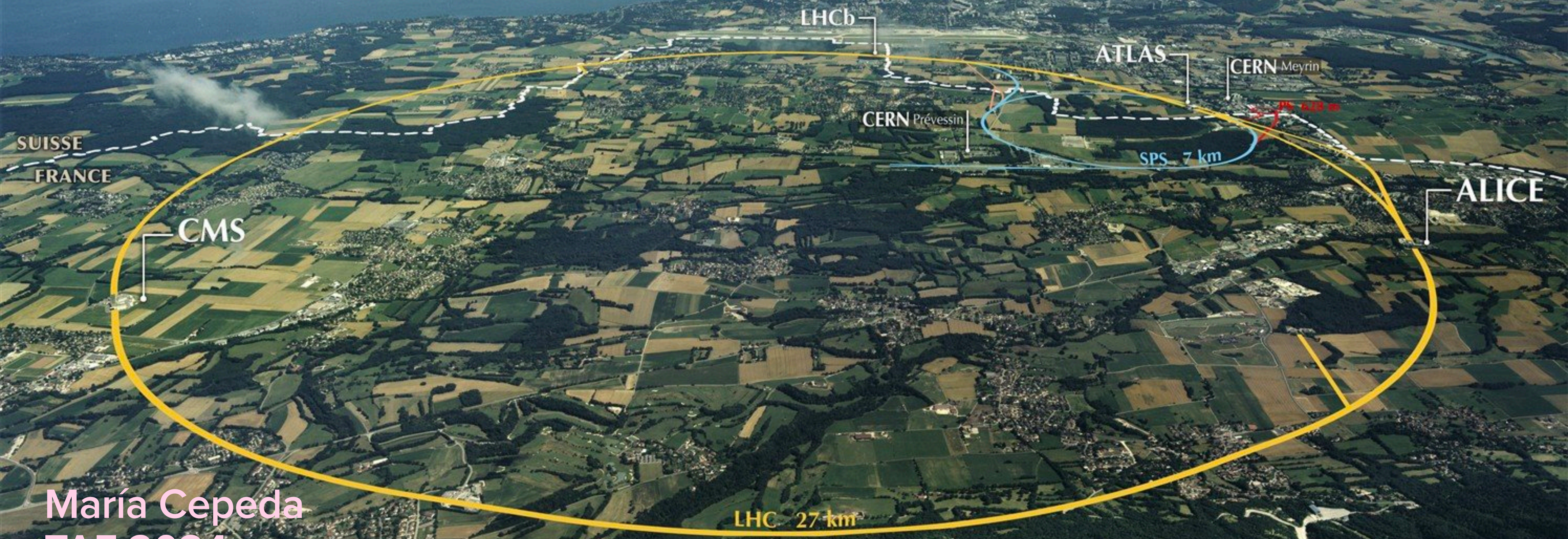


# LHC PHYSICS



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# OUTLINE OF THE LECTURES

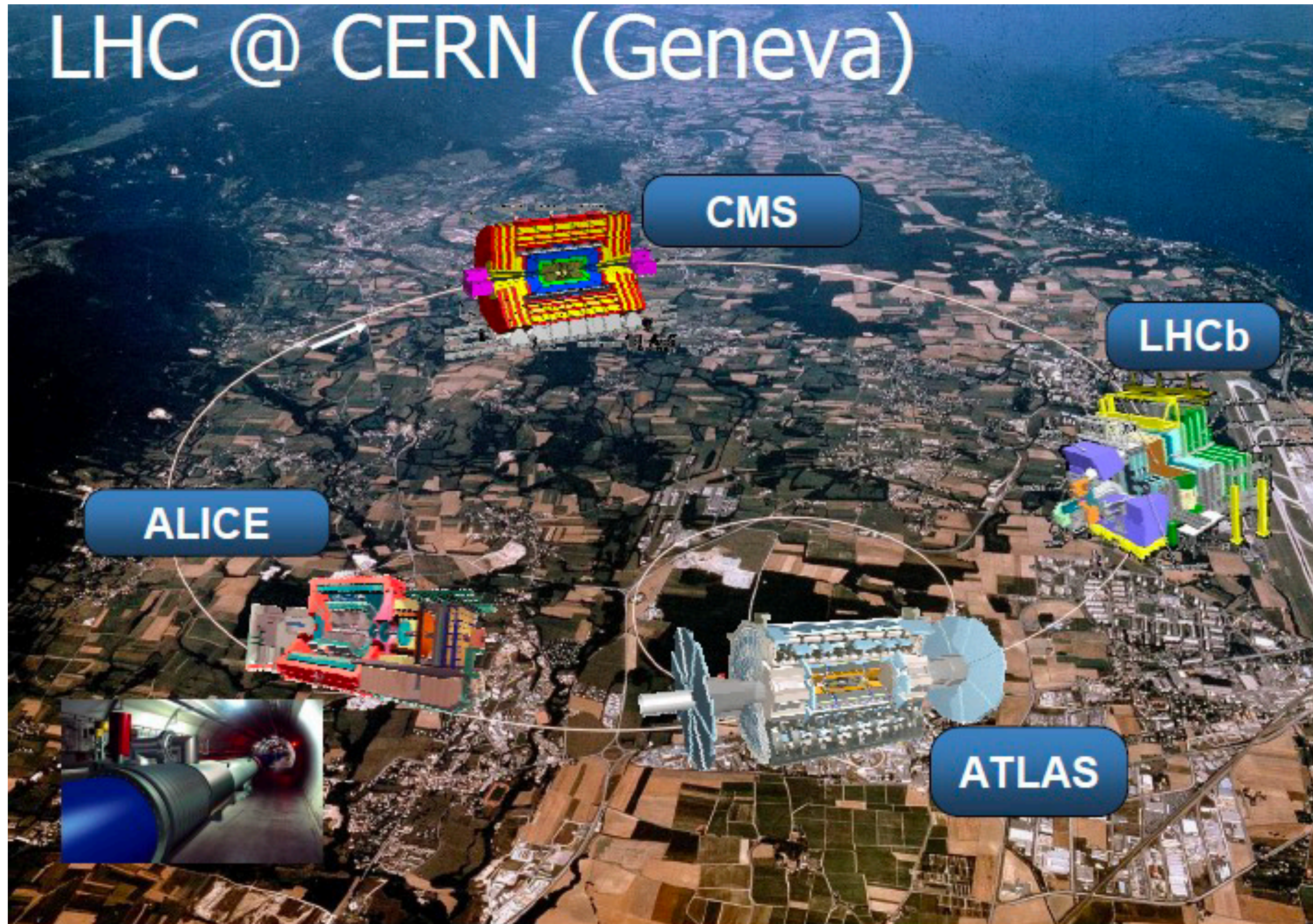
- Introduction: Experiments
- Setting the stage: Anatomy of a pp collision
- Precision SM Measurements: QCD; EW; TOP
- Higgs Physics
- Beyond the SM
- Conclusion

Not discussing detector issues - MaryCruz will discuss this on Monday!

No time to go in a lot of depth, nor to cover all the topics: general ideas, bias towards Higgs physics



# THE LHC AND ITS EXPERIMENTS



High luminosity hadron collisions at the highest energies ( $pp \rightarrow \sqrt{s} = 7, 8, 13, 13.6$  TeV):

- 2 multi-purpose experiments (ATLAS, CMS)
- 1 experiment dedicated to b/c quarks (CP violation; “multipurpose” in forward region)
- 1 experiment dedicated to heavy-ion collisions (QCD at high density/temperature)

Focus on ATLAS and CMS in this lecture: equivalent in reach.

I work for CMS, more examples from CMS as a result, no bias intended :)



# UNPRECEDENTED POTENTIAL TO STUDY THE LIMITS OF THE SM

## ■ Precision measurements of the standard model

- How well do we know the standard model and its parameters? (W, top, Higgs,  $\alpha_s$ , ..)
- Electroweak Symmetry Breaking: do we understand the nature of the Higgs boson?
- QCD: What is a proton like inside? Can we improve QCD predictions? Can we model collisions with Monte Carlo? What can we learn from Heavy Ion collisions?
- Can we find BSM from deviations in global precision measurements? (EFT)

## ■ Exploring high-energy physics at the TeV scale

- No-Lose theorem: the LHC had to either discover the Higgs, or new physics at the TeV scale
- Is there new physics beyond the standard model (BSM)? (SUSY at low energy, exotic models such as production of new resonances, more Higgs bosons...)
- Can we connect dark matter with collider measurements?
- Do we understand the physics of flavour? Anomalies



# PHYSICS AT THE LHC... IN PLURAL

SM Measurements:  
W, Z, Jets...

Higgs Boson Physics

Top Quark Physics

BSM Searches: Dark Matter, LLPs,  
New resonances, SUSY,....

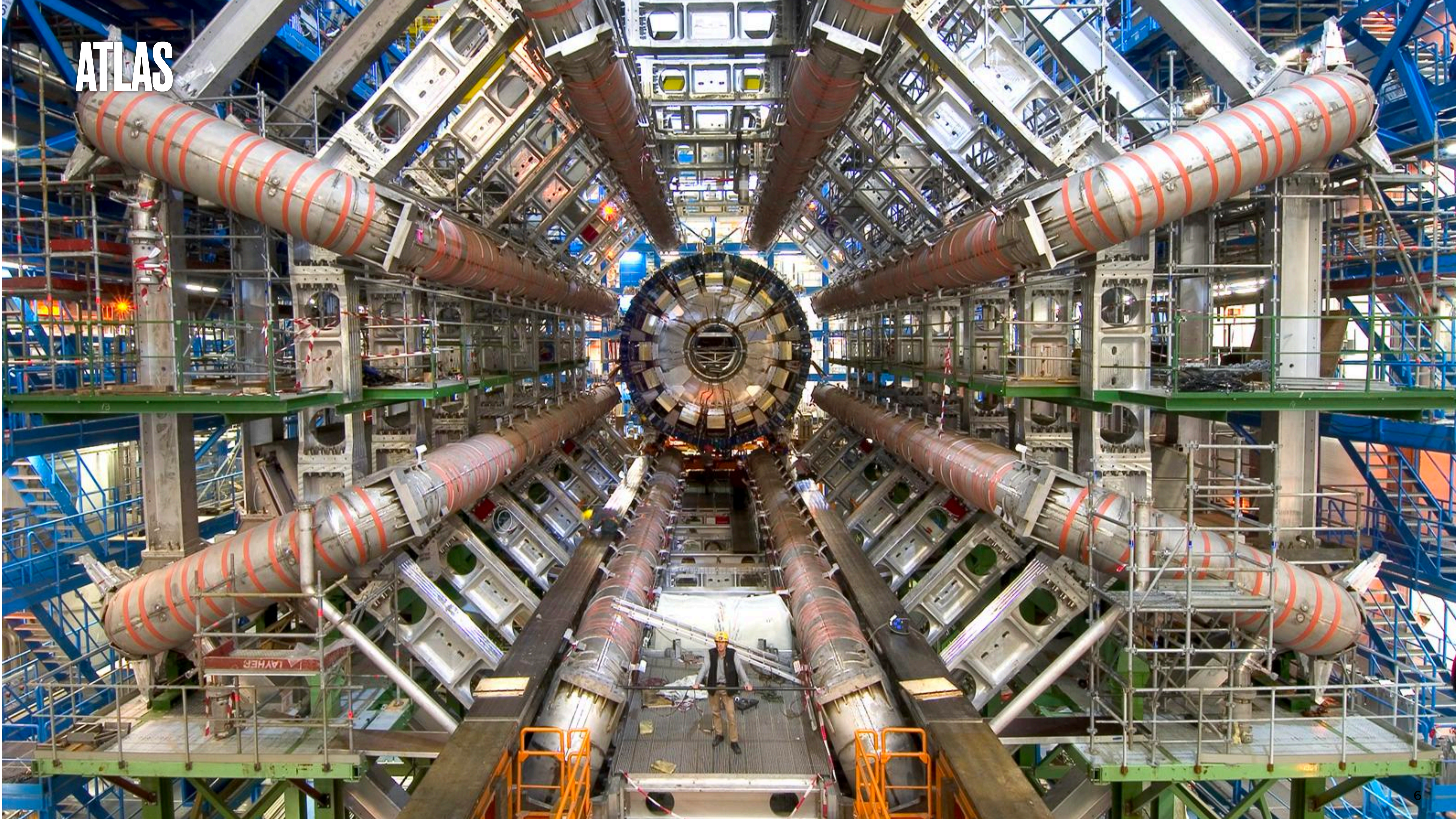
B Physics

Heavy Ions

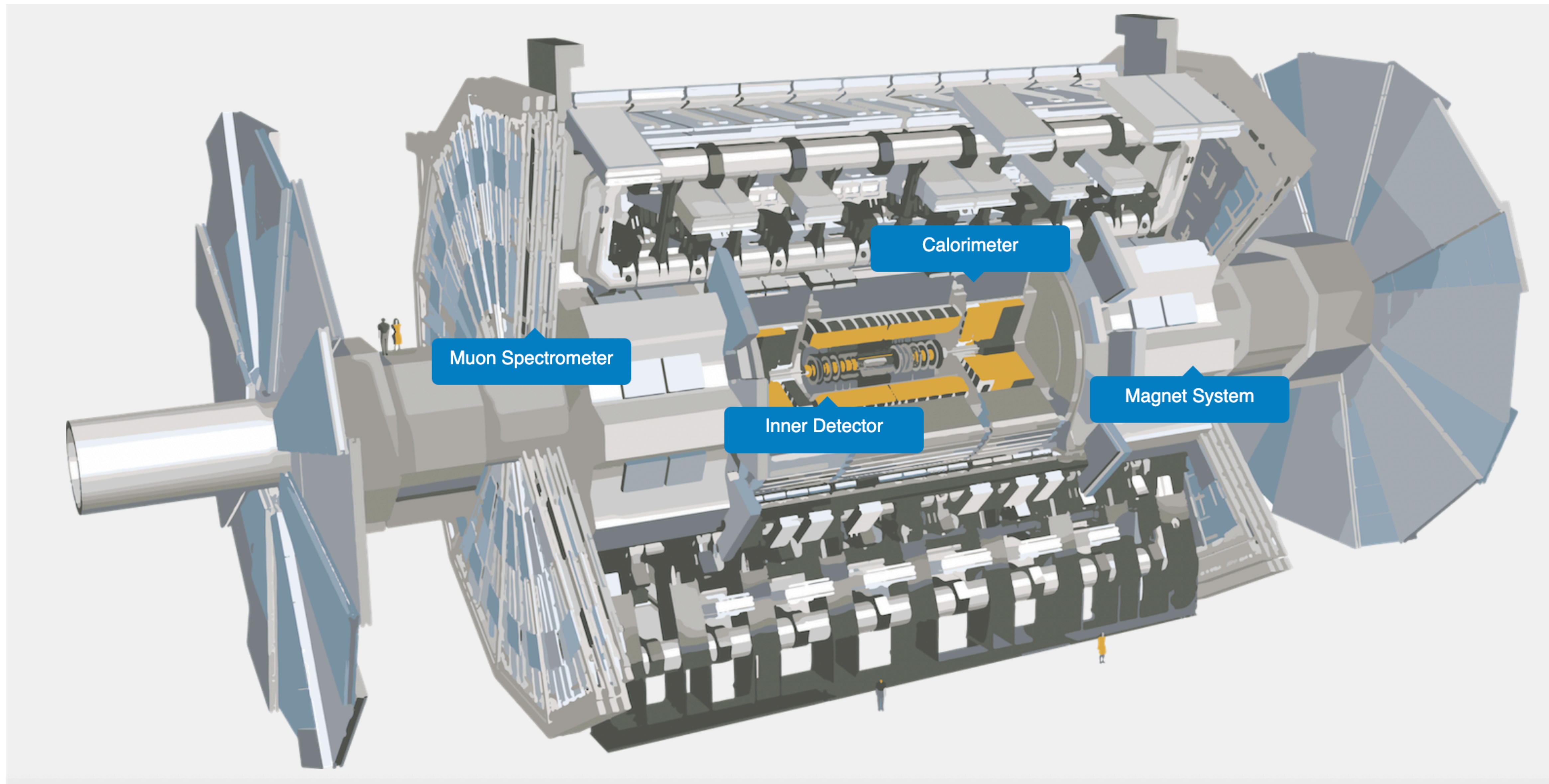
Many Experiments in one!



ATLAS









CMS



ZEC



CMS





# CMS DETECTOR

Total weight : 14,000 tonnes  
Overall diameter : 15.0 m  
Overall length : 28.7 m  
Magnetic field : 3.8 T

STEEL RETURN YOKE  
12,500 tonnes

SILICON TRACKERS  
Pixel ( $100 \times 150 \mu\text{m}^2$ )  $\sim 1.9 \text{ m}^2 \sim 124\text{M}$  channels  
Microstrips ( $80\text{--}180 \mu\text{m}$ )  $\sim 200 \text{ m}^2 \sim 9.6\text{M}$  channels

SUPERCONDUCTING SOLENOID  
Niobium titanium coil carrying  $\sim 18,000 \text{ A}$

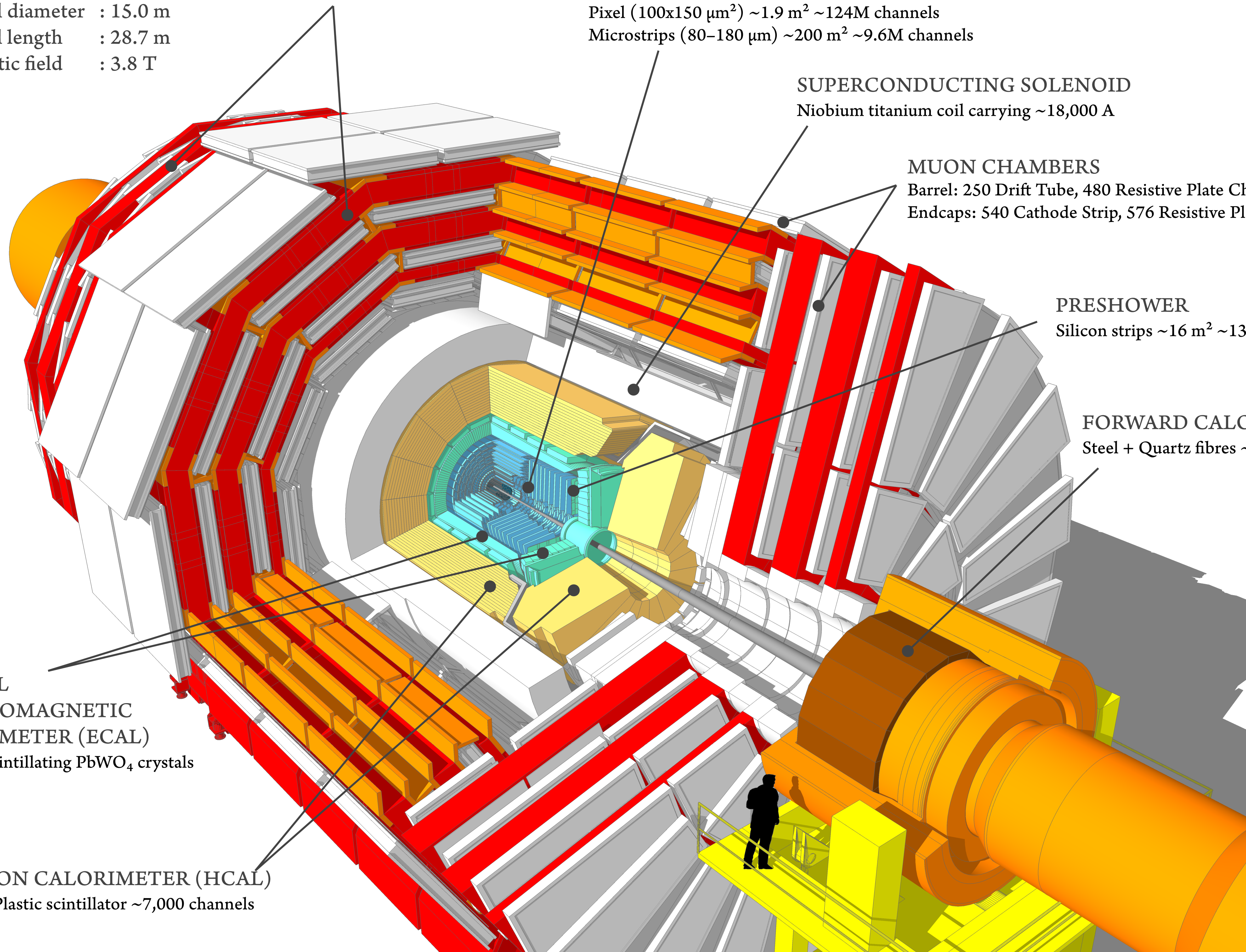
MUON CHAMBERS  
Barrel: 250 Drift Tube, 480 Resistive Plate Chambers  
Endcaps: 540 Cathode Strip, 576 Resistive Plate Chambers

PRESHOWER  
Silicon strips  $\sim 16 \text{ m}^2 \sim 137,000$  channels

FORWARD CALORIMETER  
Steel + Quartz fibres  $\sim 2,000$  Channels

CRYSTAL  
ELECTROMAGNETIC  
CALORIMETER (ECAL)  
 $\sim 76,000$  scintillating  $\text{PbWO}_4$  crystals

HADRON CALORIMETER (HCAL)  
Brass + Plastic scintillator  $\sim 7,000$  channels



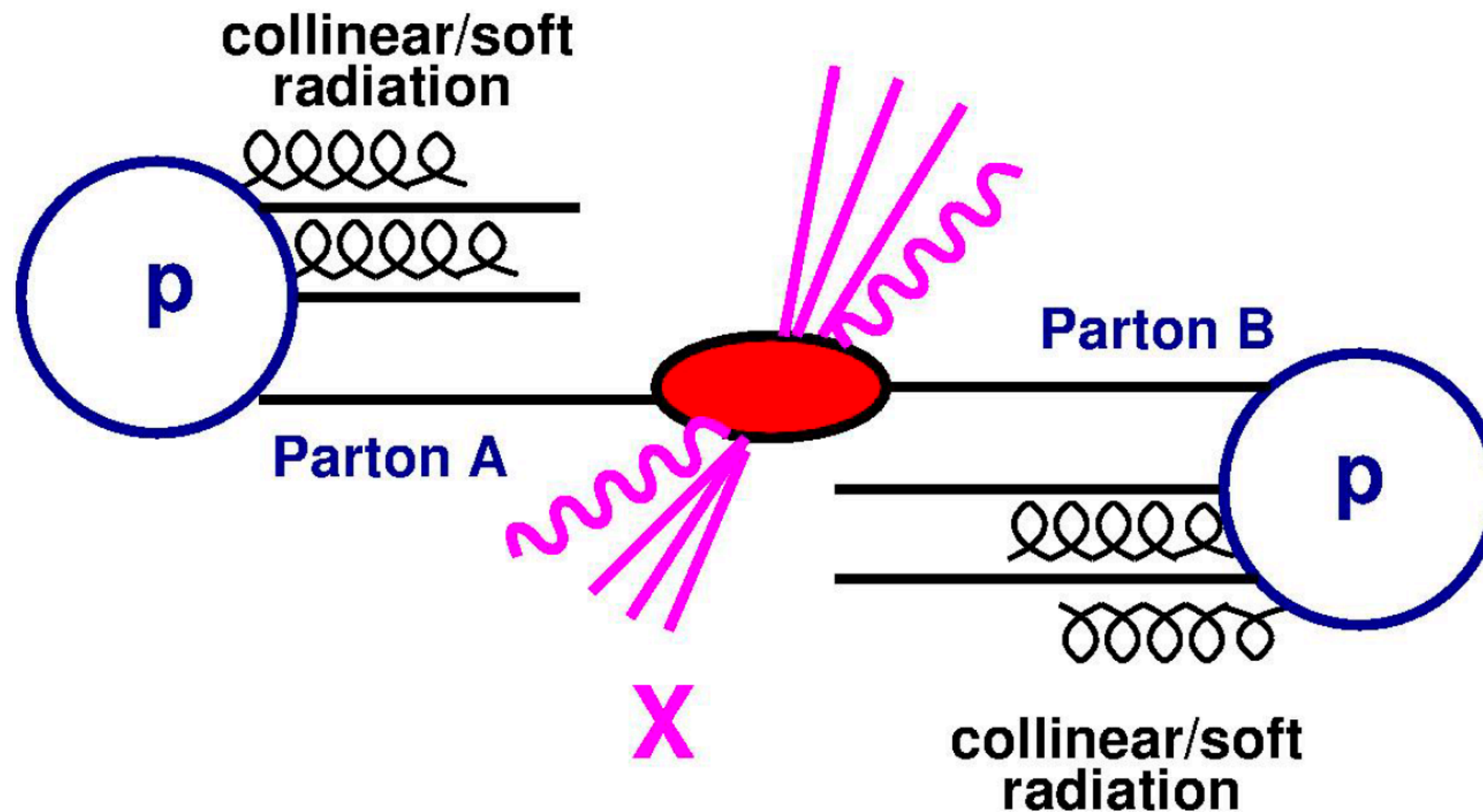


# SETTING THE STAGE: LHC COLLISIONS



# ANATOMY OF A LHC EVENT

## Hard scattering process



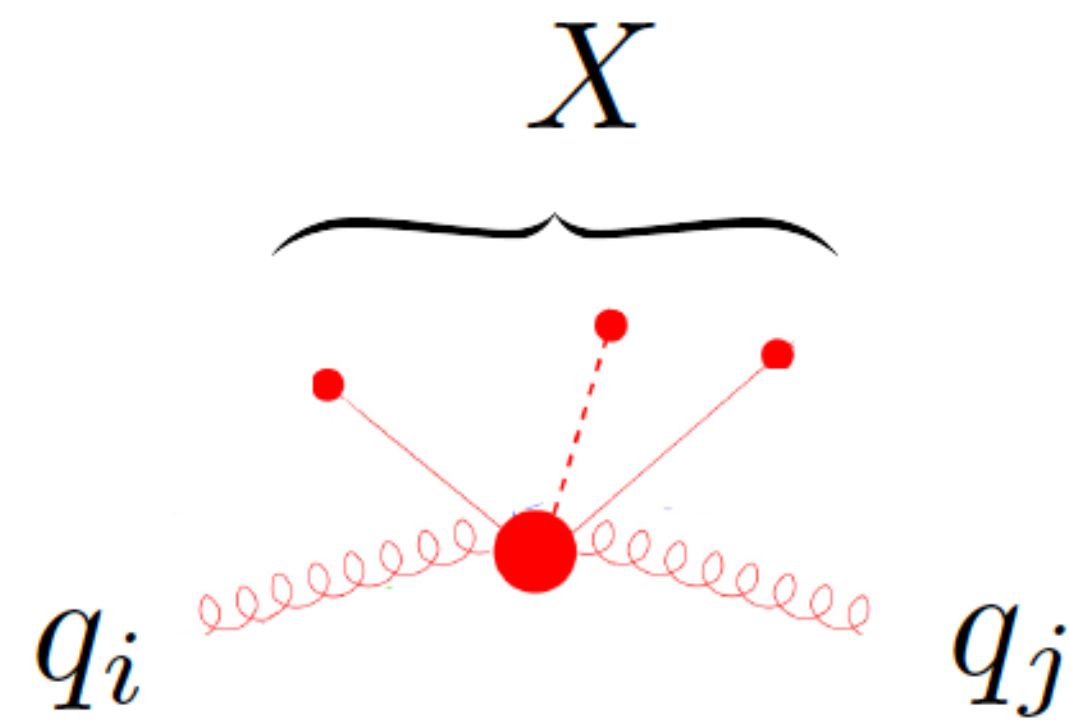
Factorization Theorem:

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow C + X; Q^2) = \sum_{A,B} \int dx_A \int dx_B \text{pdf}_{p \rightarrow A}(x_A, Q^2) \text{pdf}_{p \rightarrow B}(x_B, Q^2) \sigma(AB \rightarrow C)$$

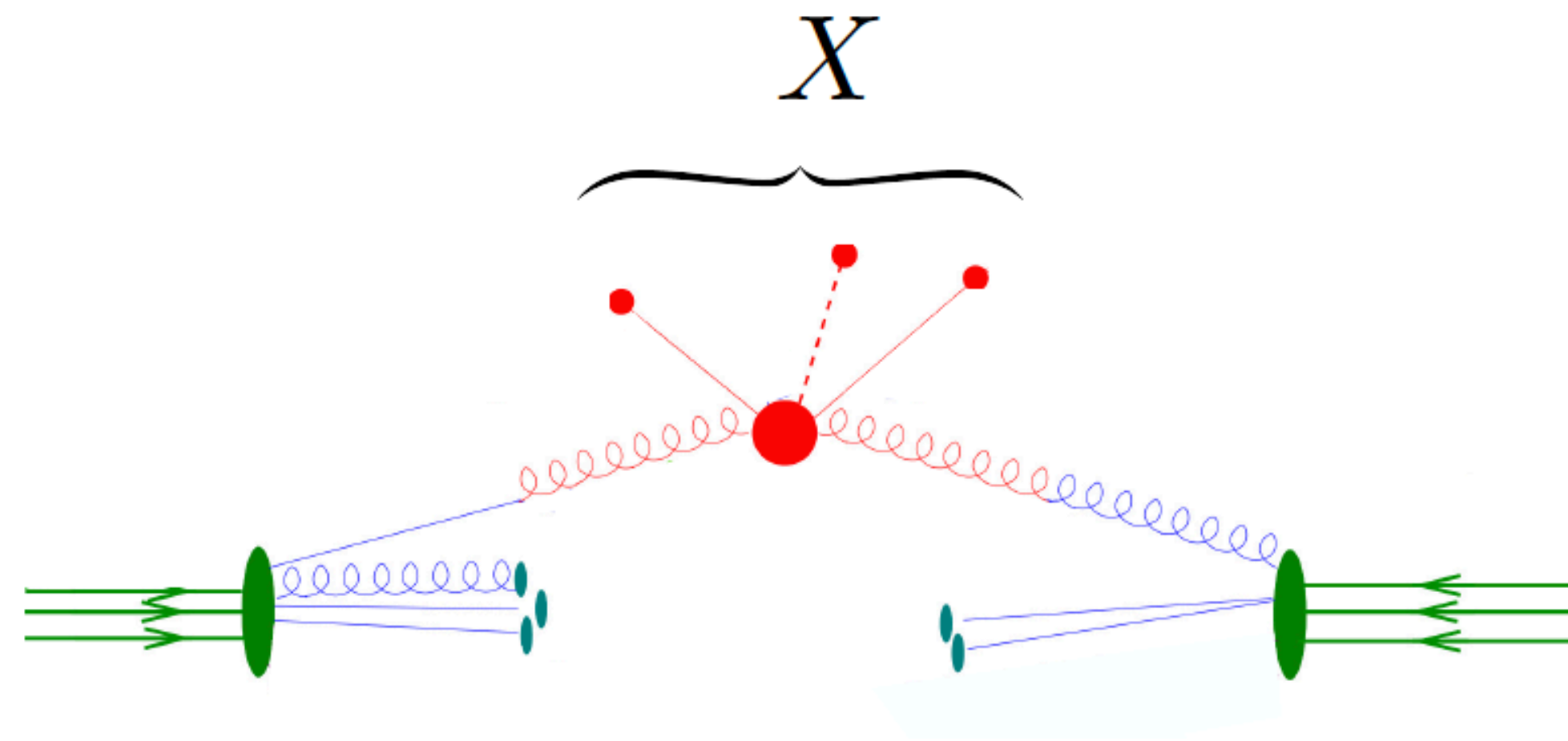




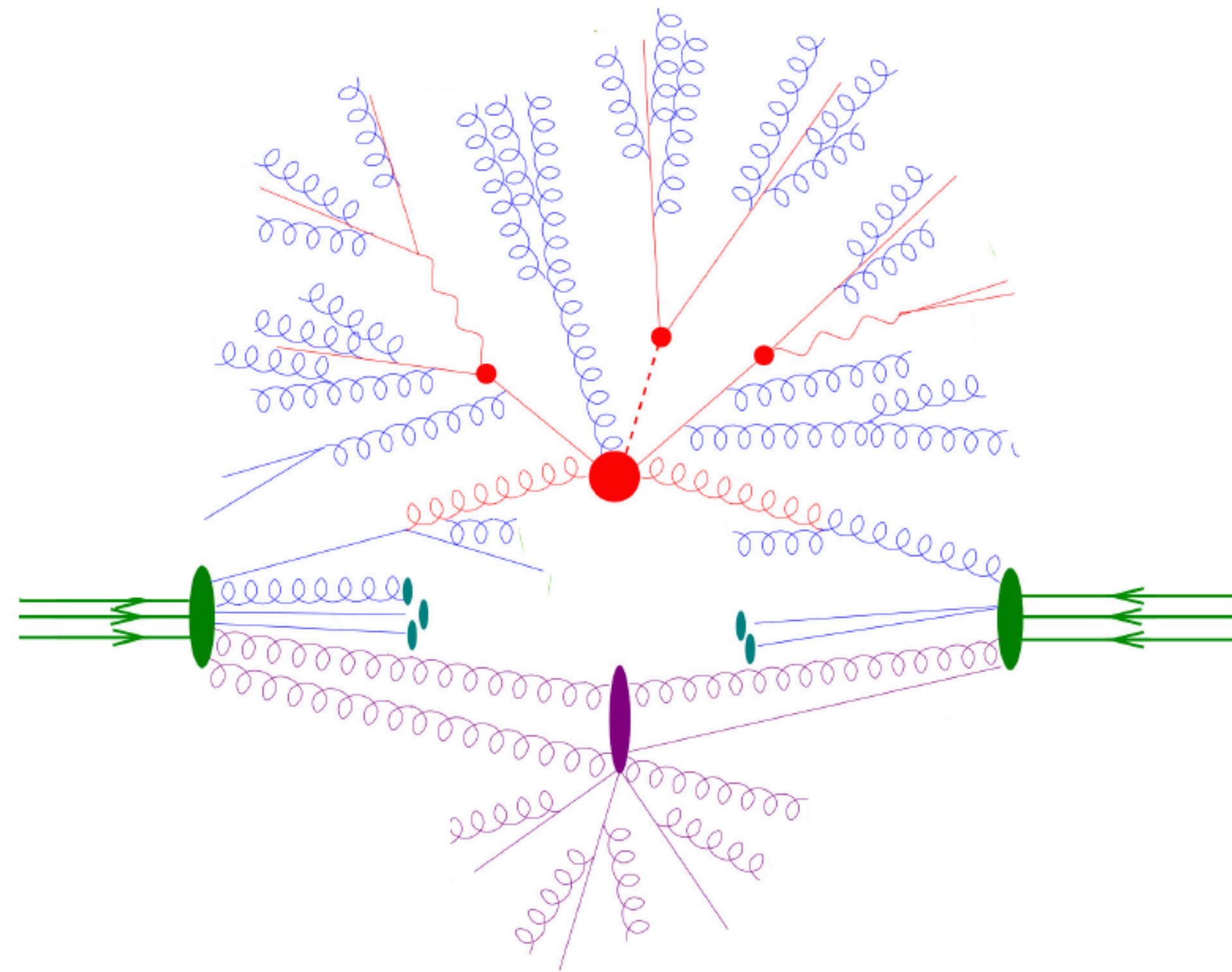




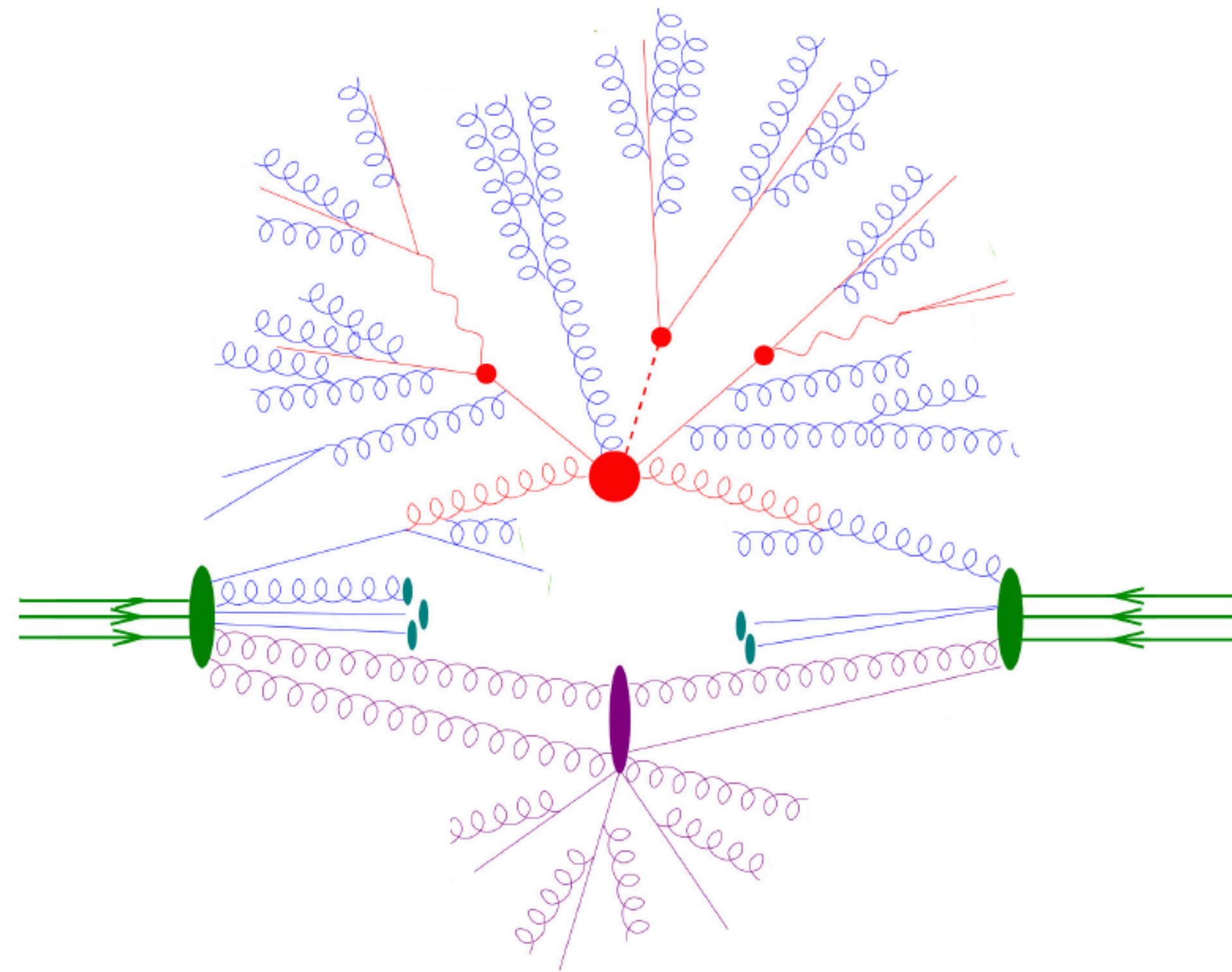




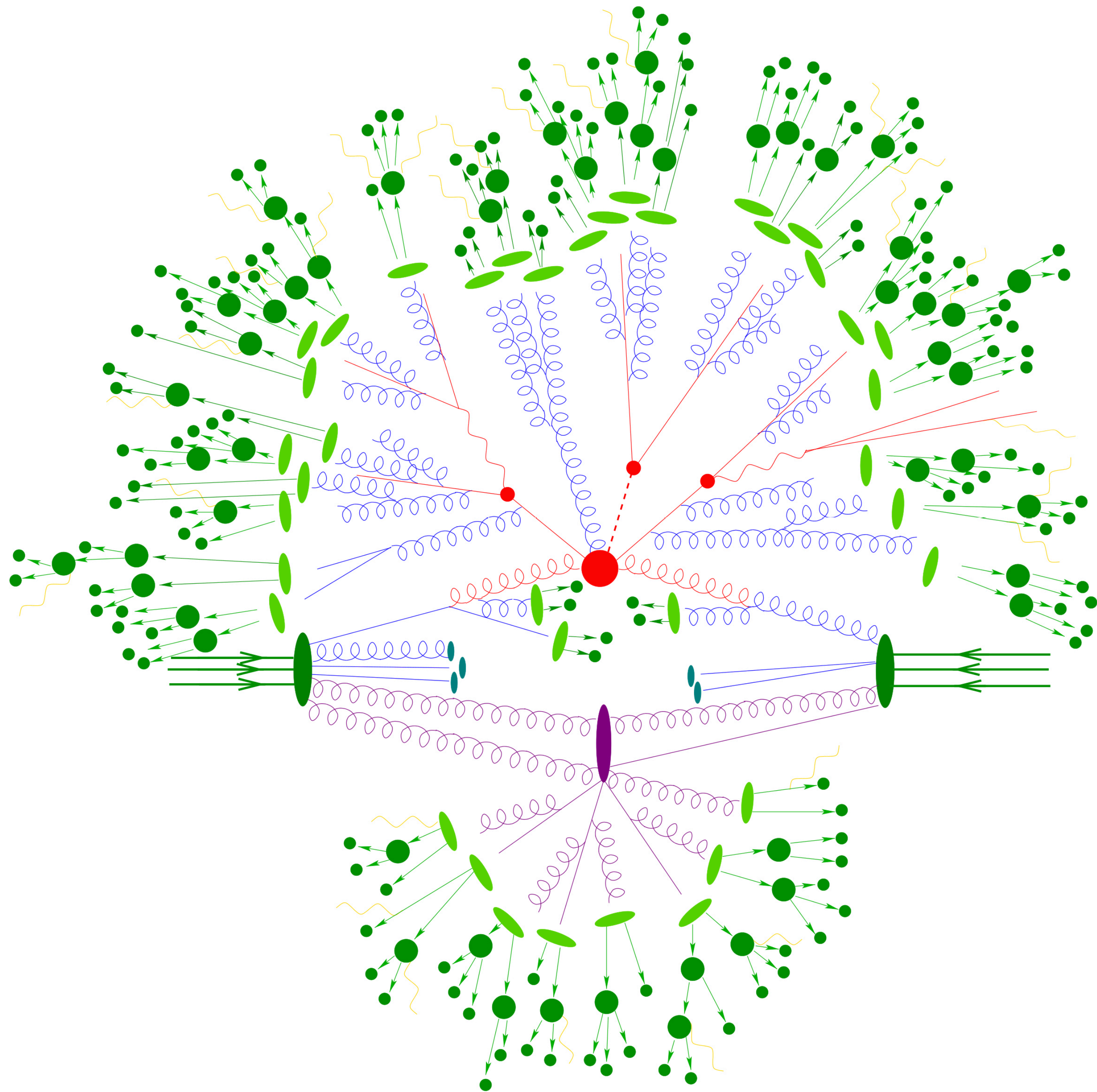




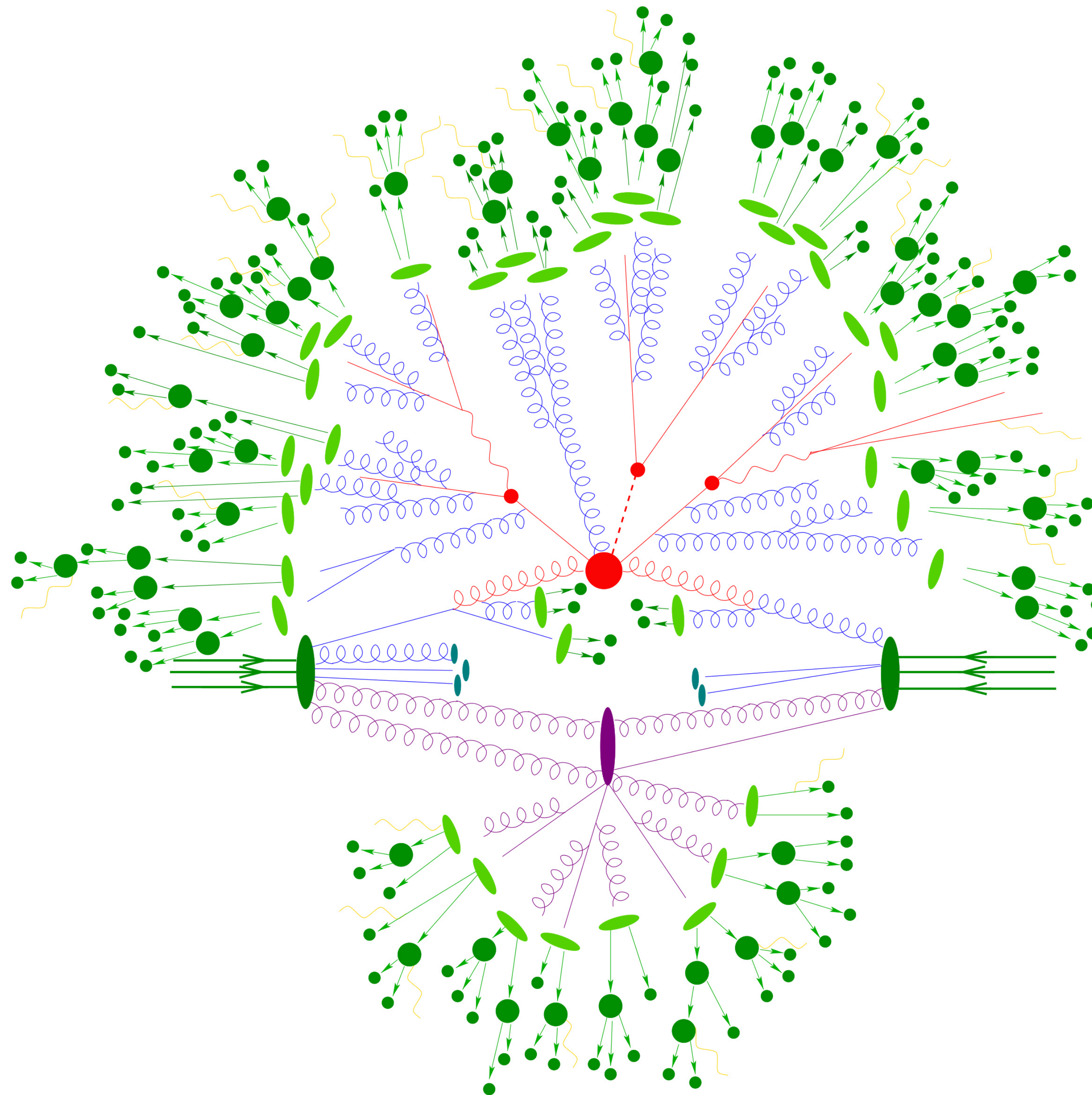










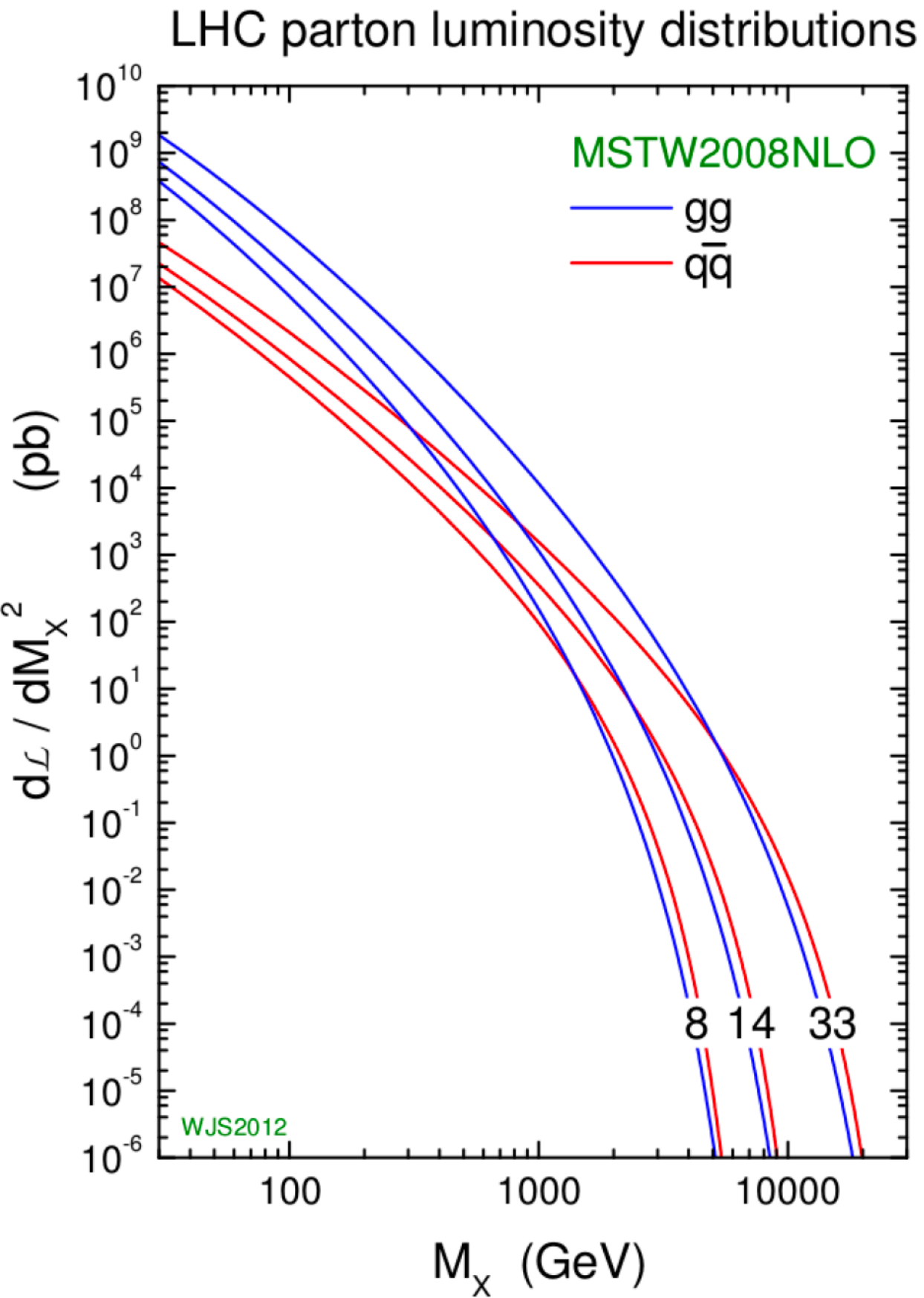


pp collisions: very  
complex environment

Underlying Event  
Multiple Parton Interactions  
Final and Initial State Radiation



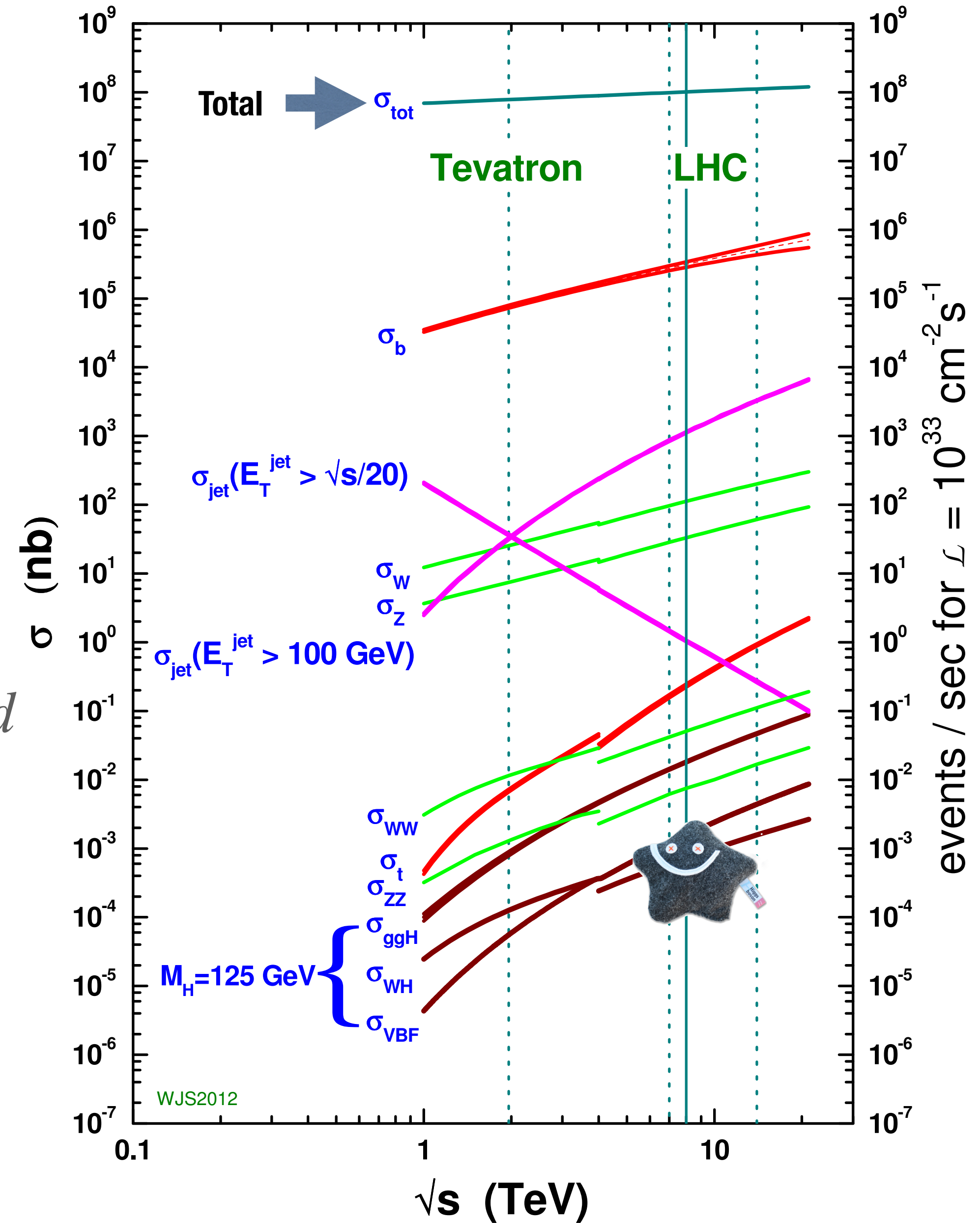
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$$N_{Signal} = \sigma \times \mathcal{L}$$

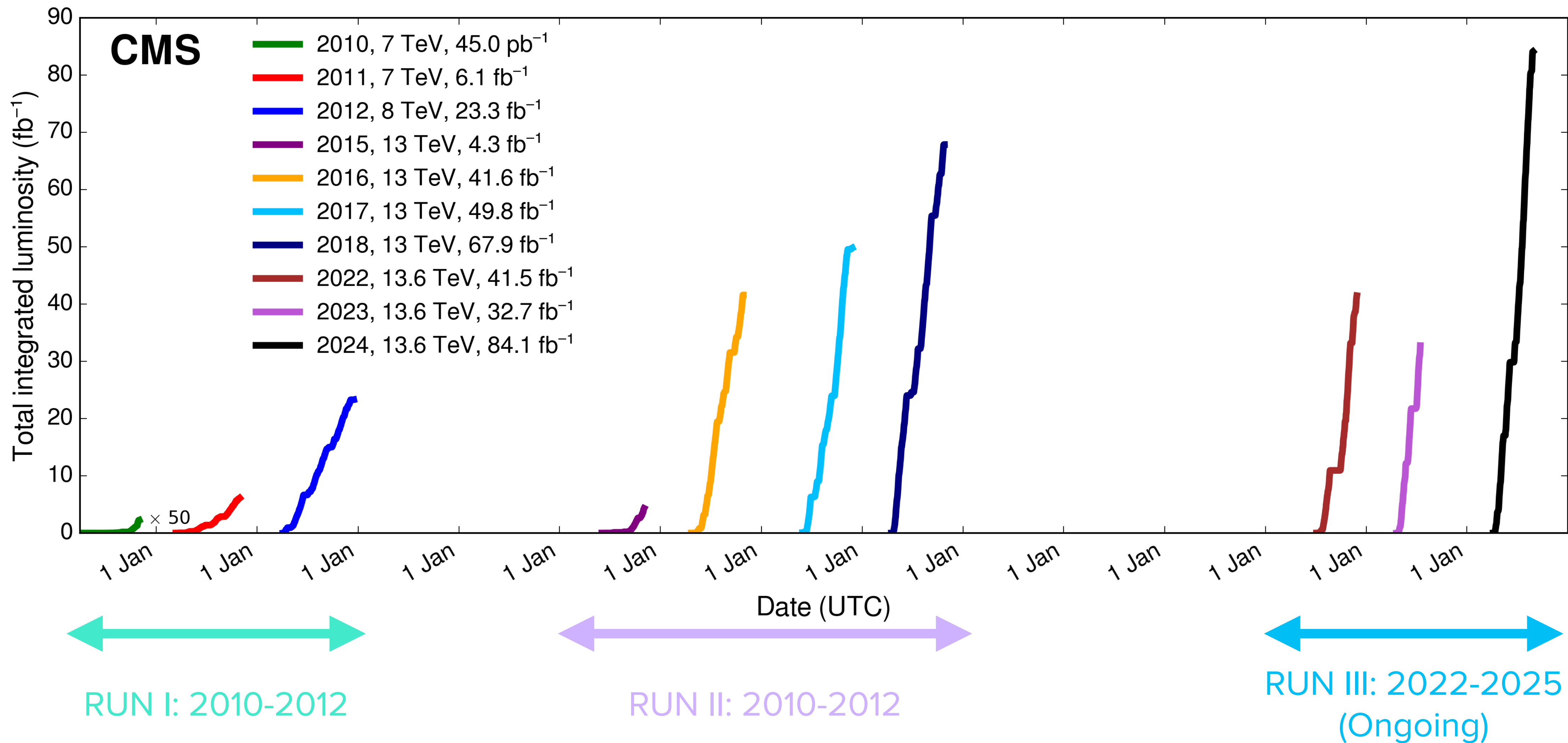
$$N_{total} = N_{Signal} + N_{Background}$$

## proton - (anti)proton cross sections



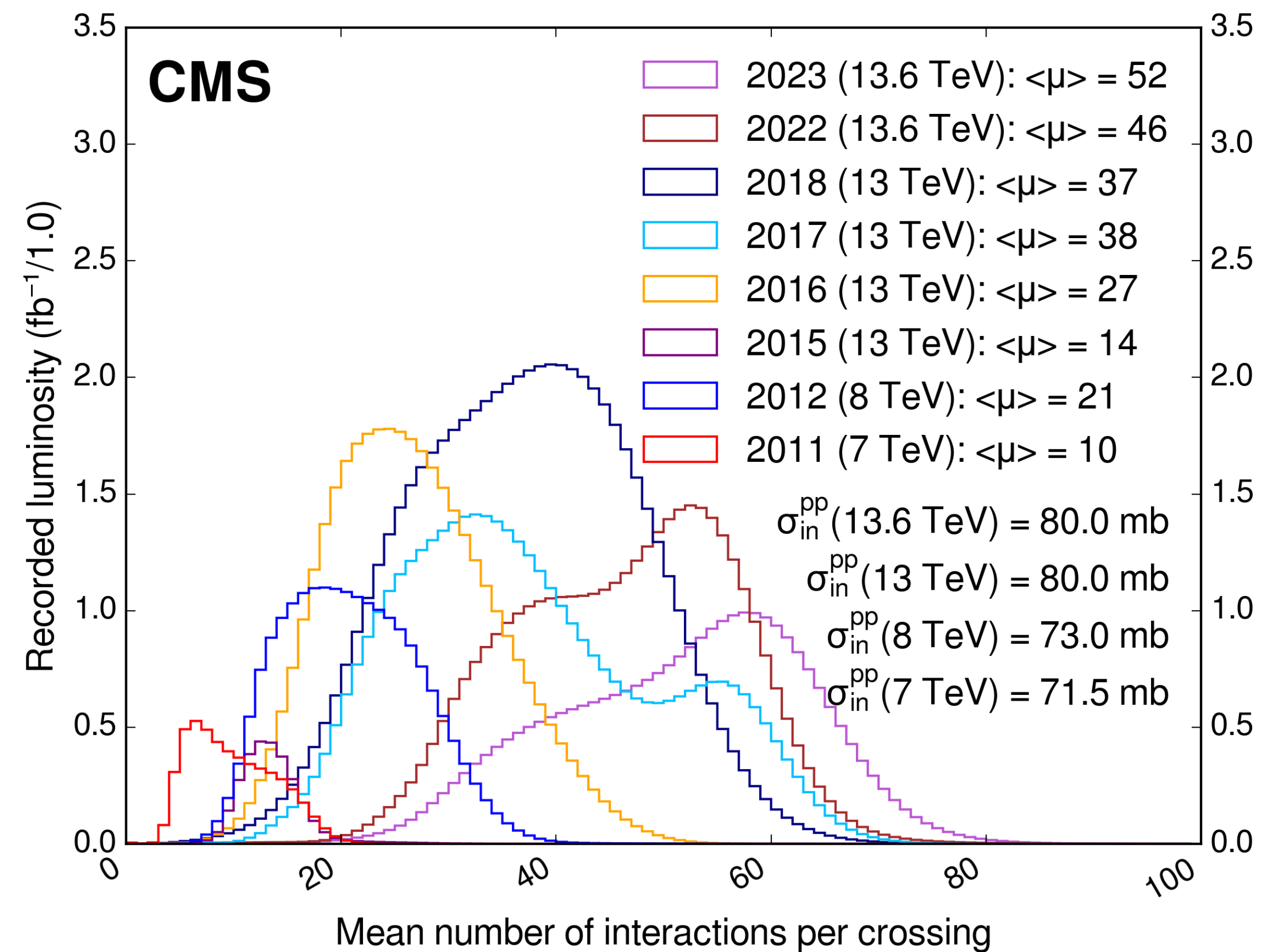
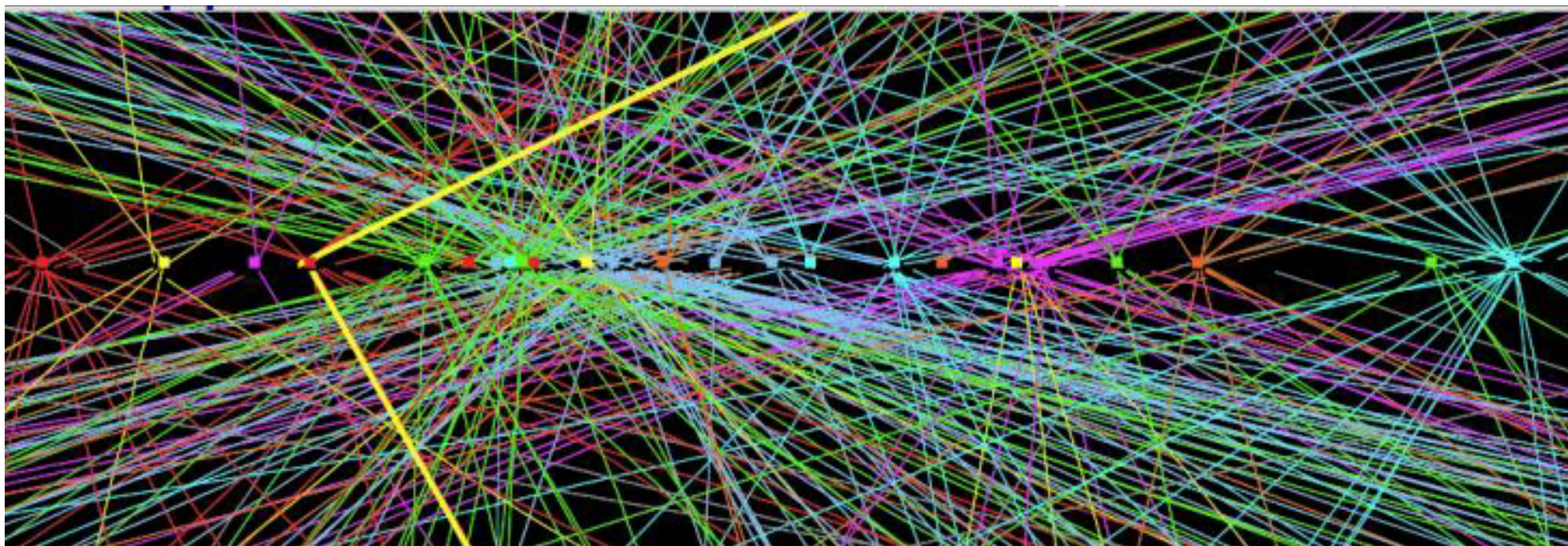


# ... LUMINOSITY ...





# ...AND PILEUP



Impact on object identification

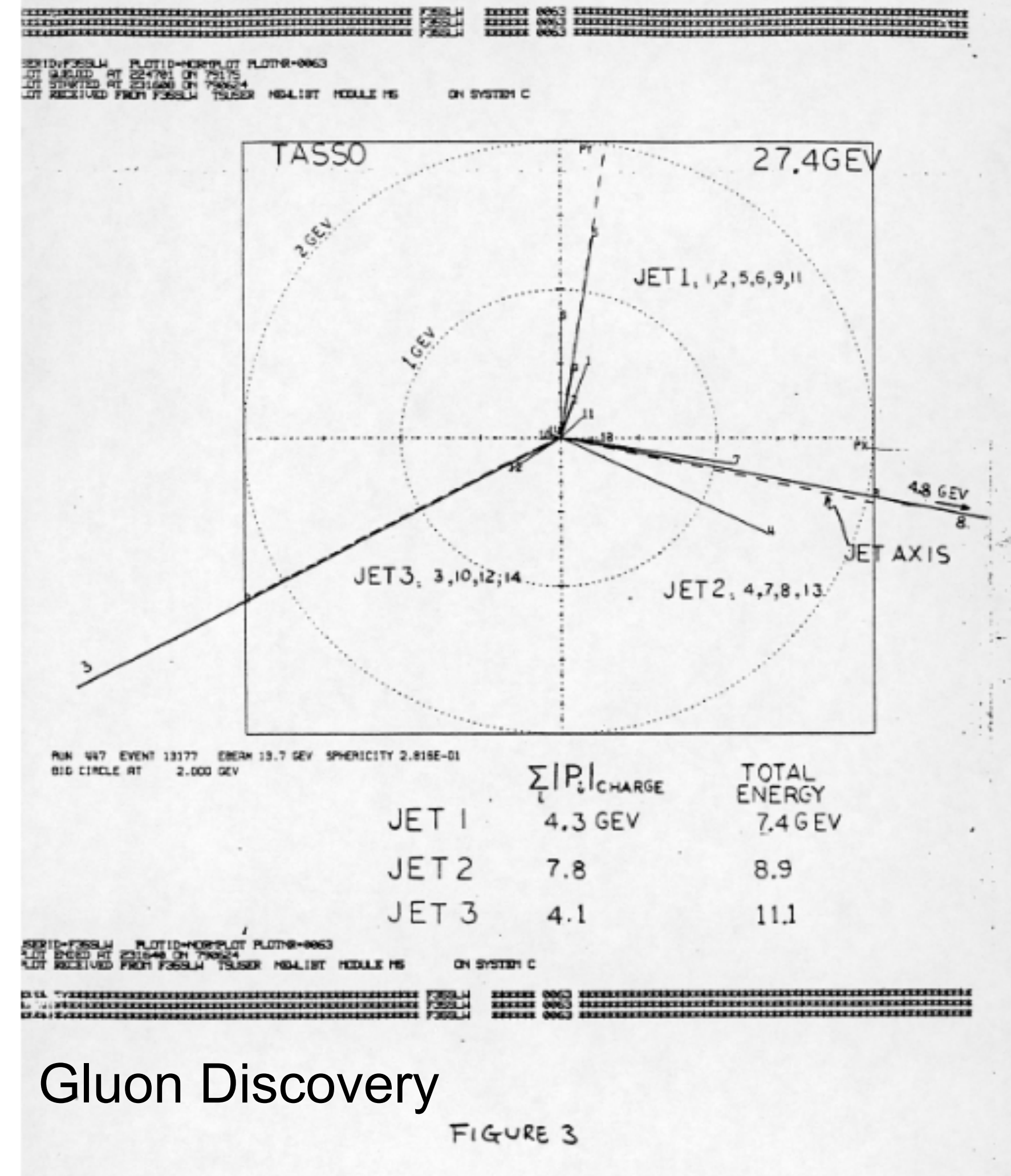
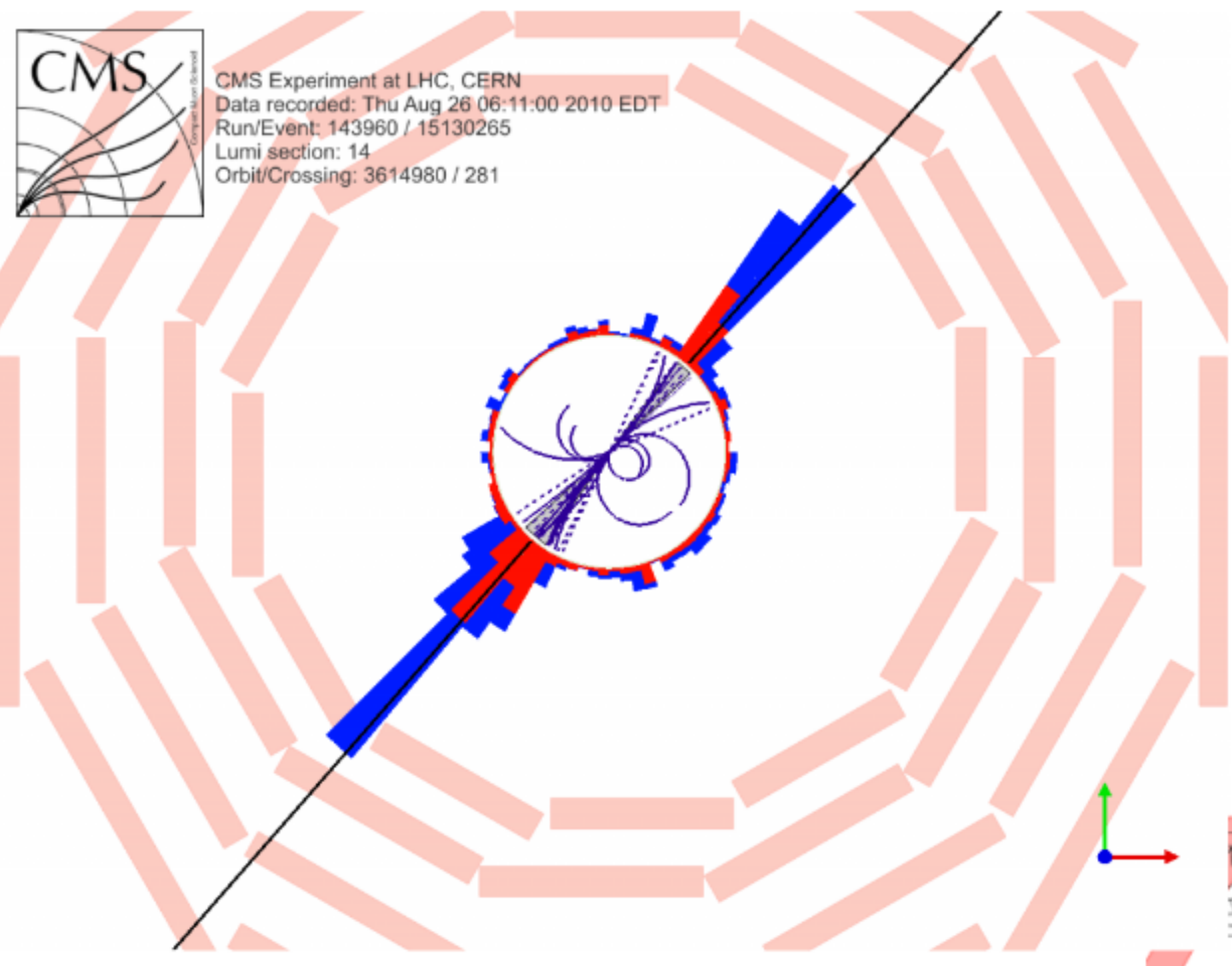
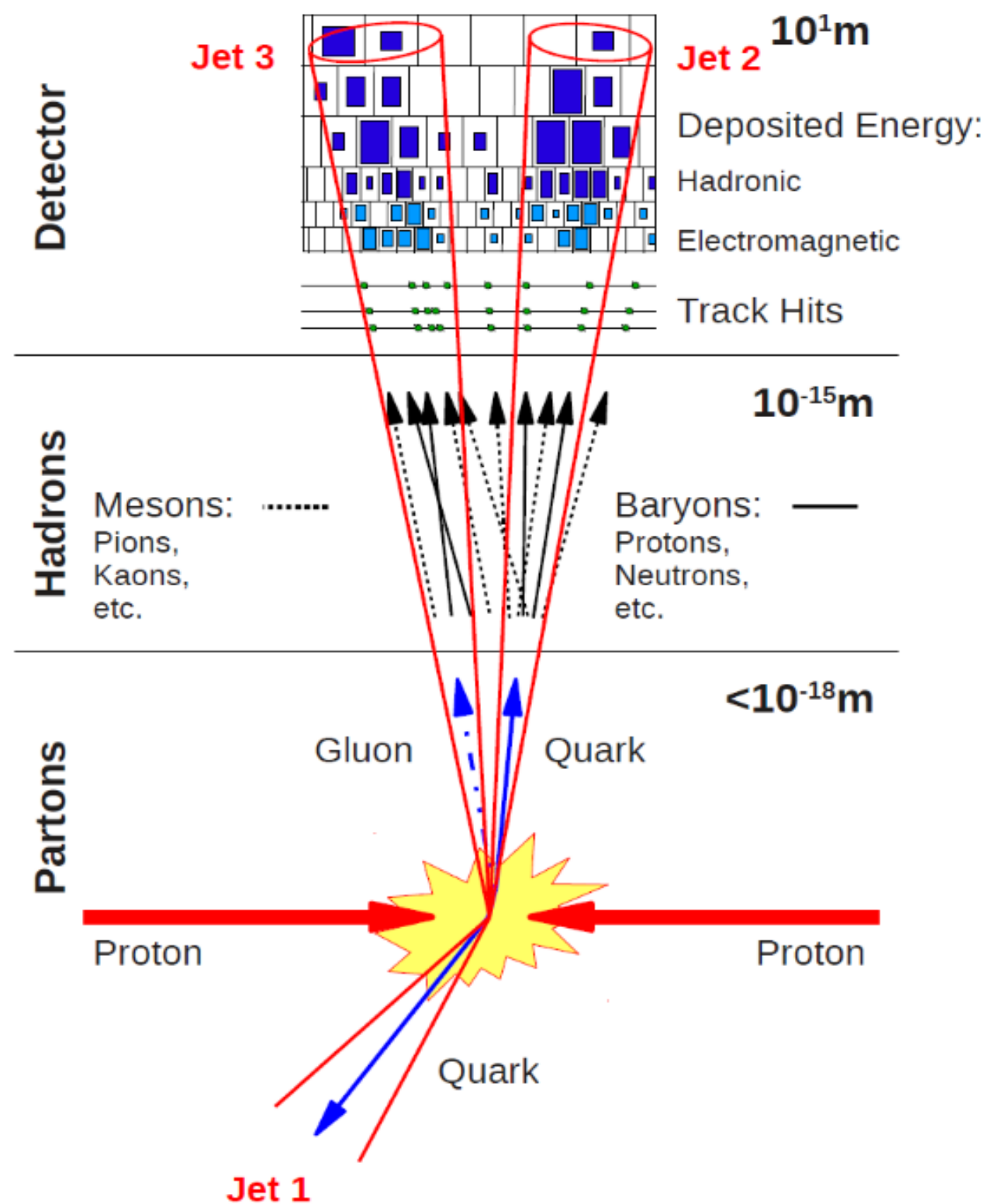


# SM MEASUREMENTS



# UNDERSTANDING QCD

- Almost all events produced in pp collisions are ‘QCD’
- They are characterized by having many “jets” (coming from the fragmentation and hadronization of quarks and gluons)
- Difficult to model theoretically: LHC data is key!

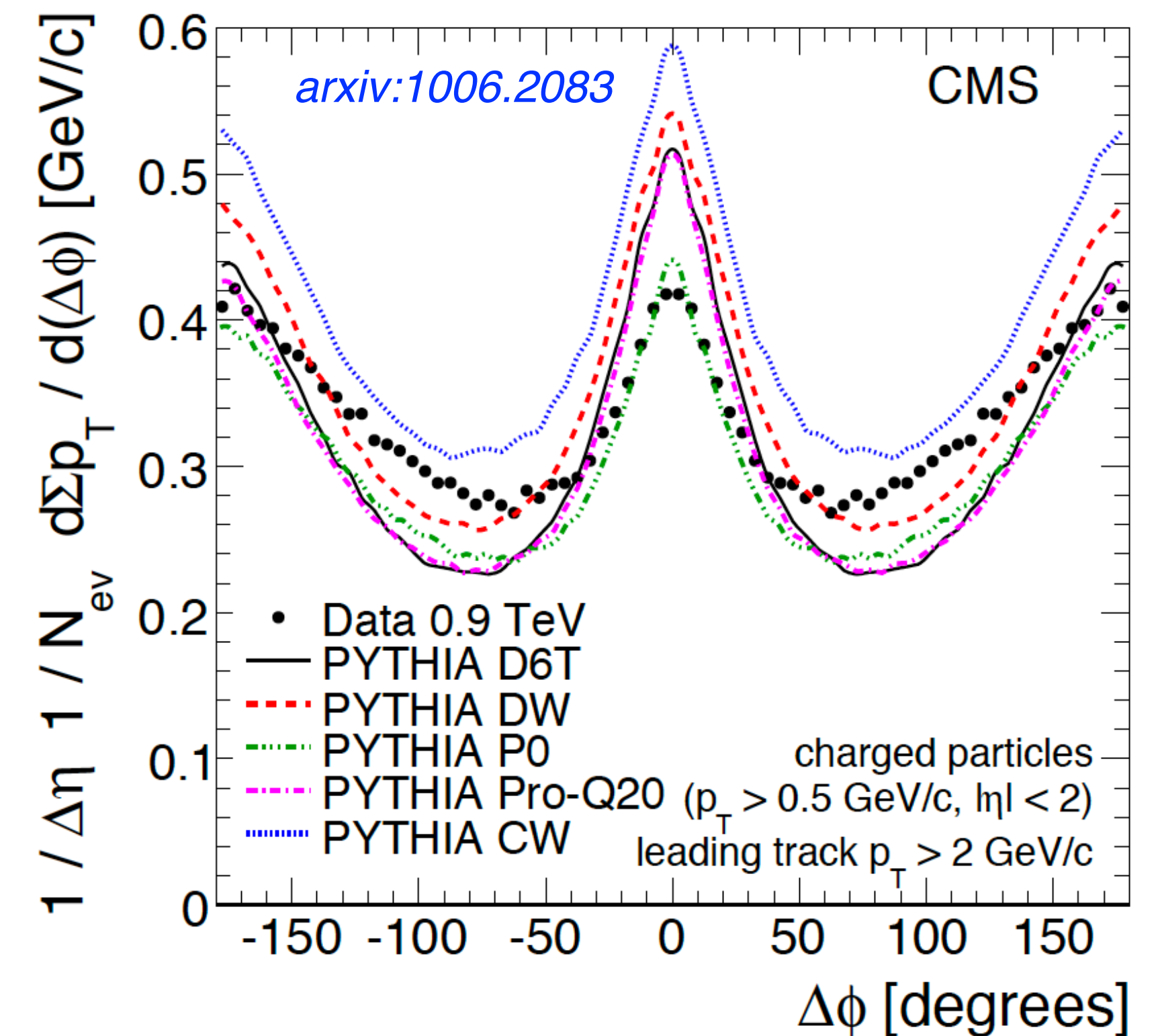
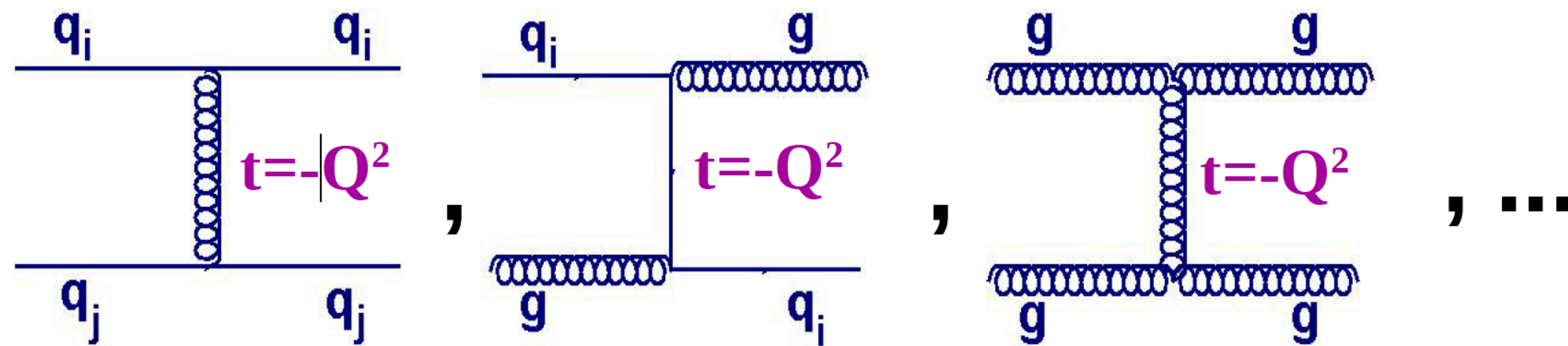


- Too many topics to cover: (multi-)jet production, dijet angular correlations, di-jet mass, mass distributions, distributions shape variables, measurement of  $\alpha_s$ , jet substructure....



# LOW MOMENTUM

Most of the events that we record at hadron colliders correspond to pure QCD processes. Cross sections are huge, dominated by t-channel diagrams, with QCD couplings  $\alpha_s(Q^2)$  that increase substantially at low  $Q^2$ .

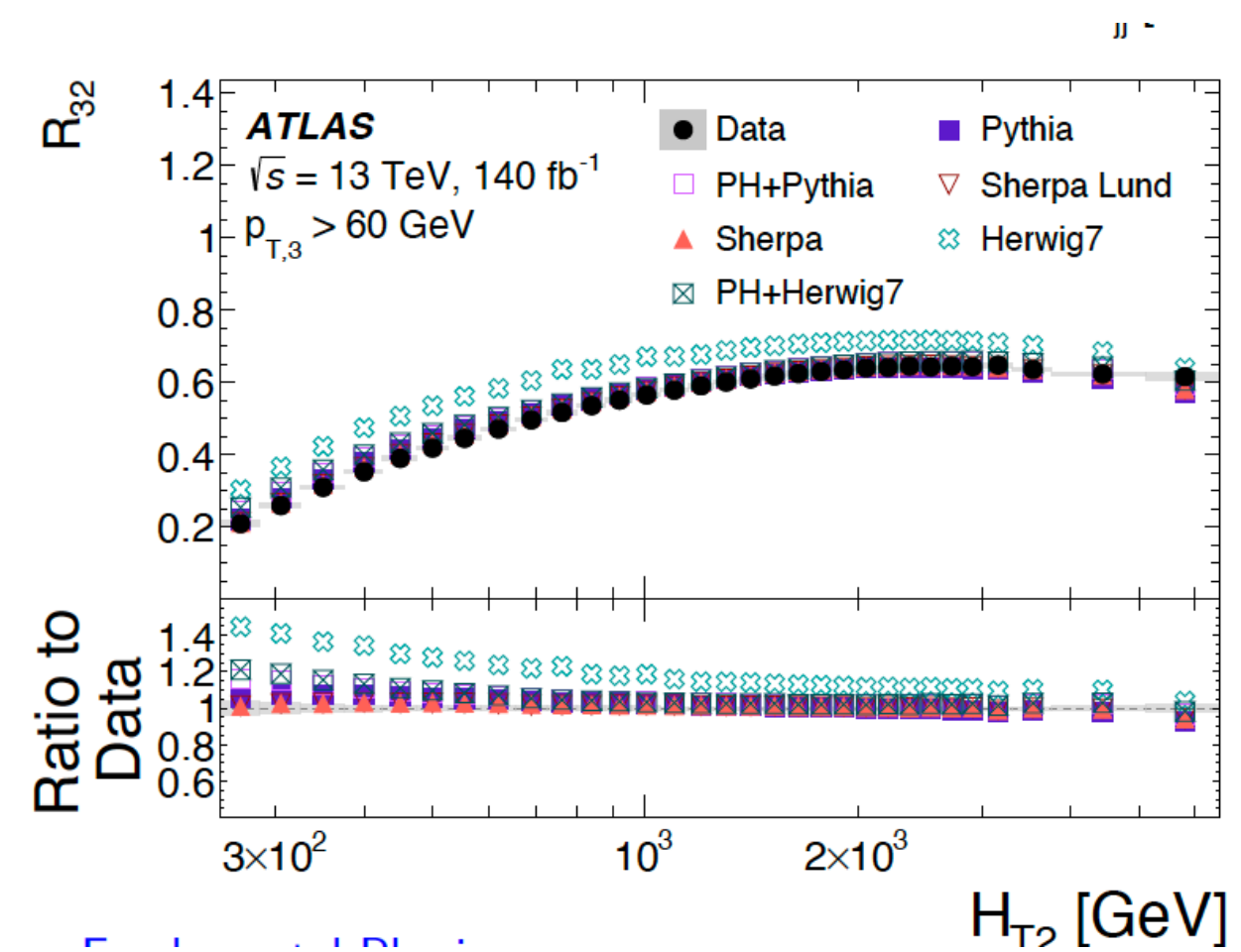
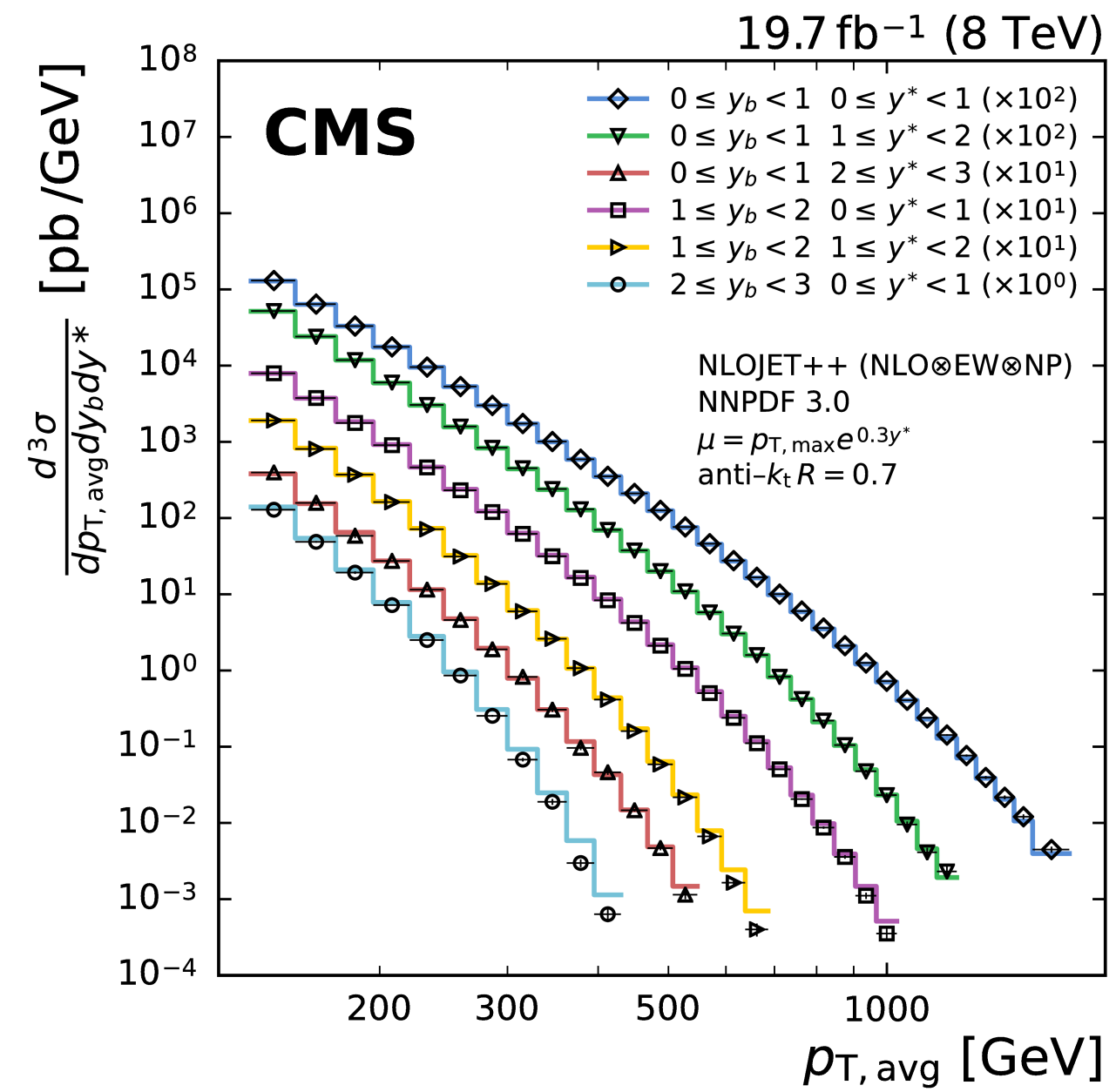


We expect many (inelastic) interactions with hadrons in the final state, most of them with low  $p_T$  “MINIMUM BIAS”: very loose activity (scintillators, calorimetry, tracks) in the detectors.

These led to some of the first LHC results! → “non-perturbative” effects, Underlying Event  
Not well described by initial models at the start of LHC → importance of TUNING



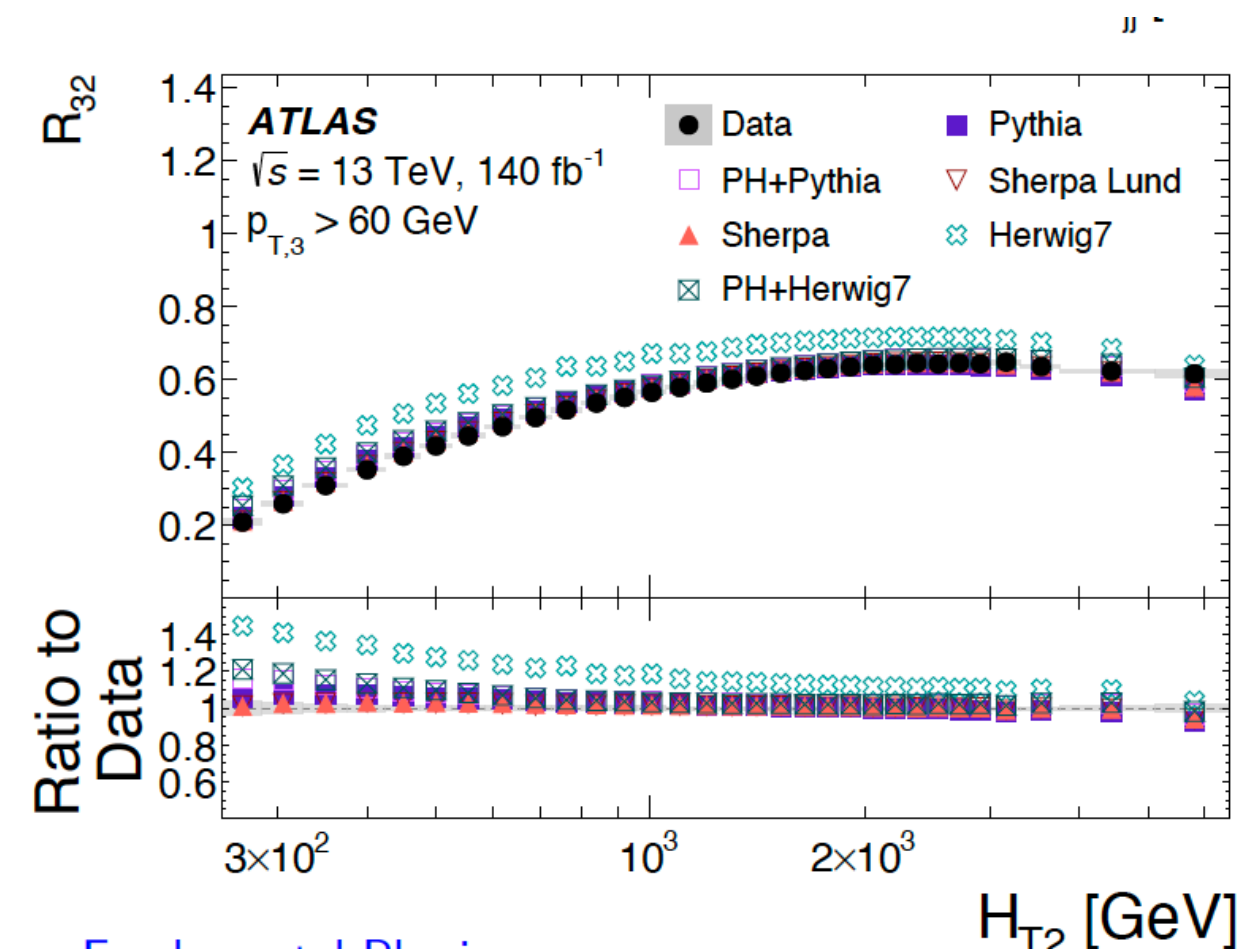
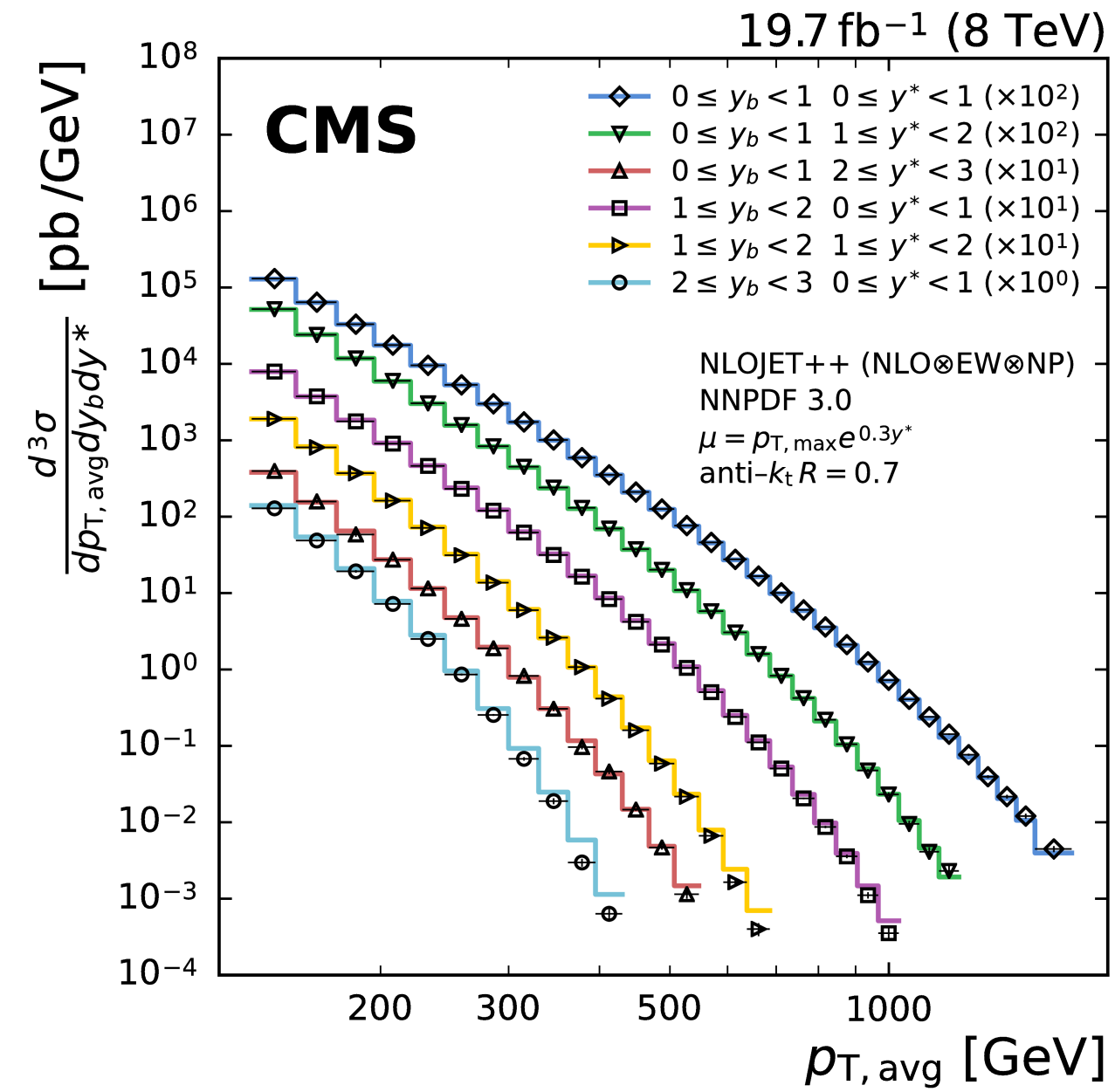
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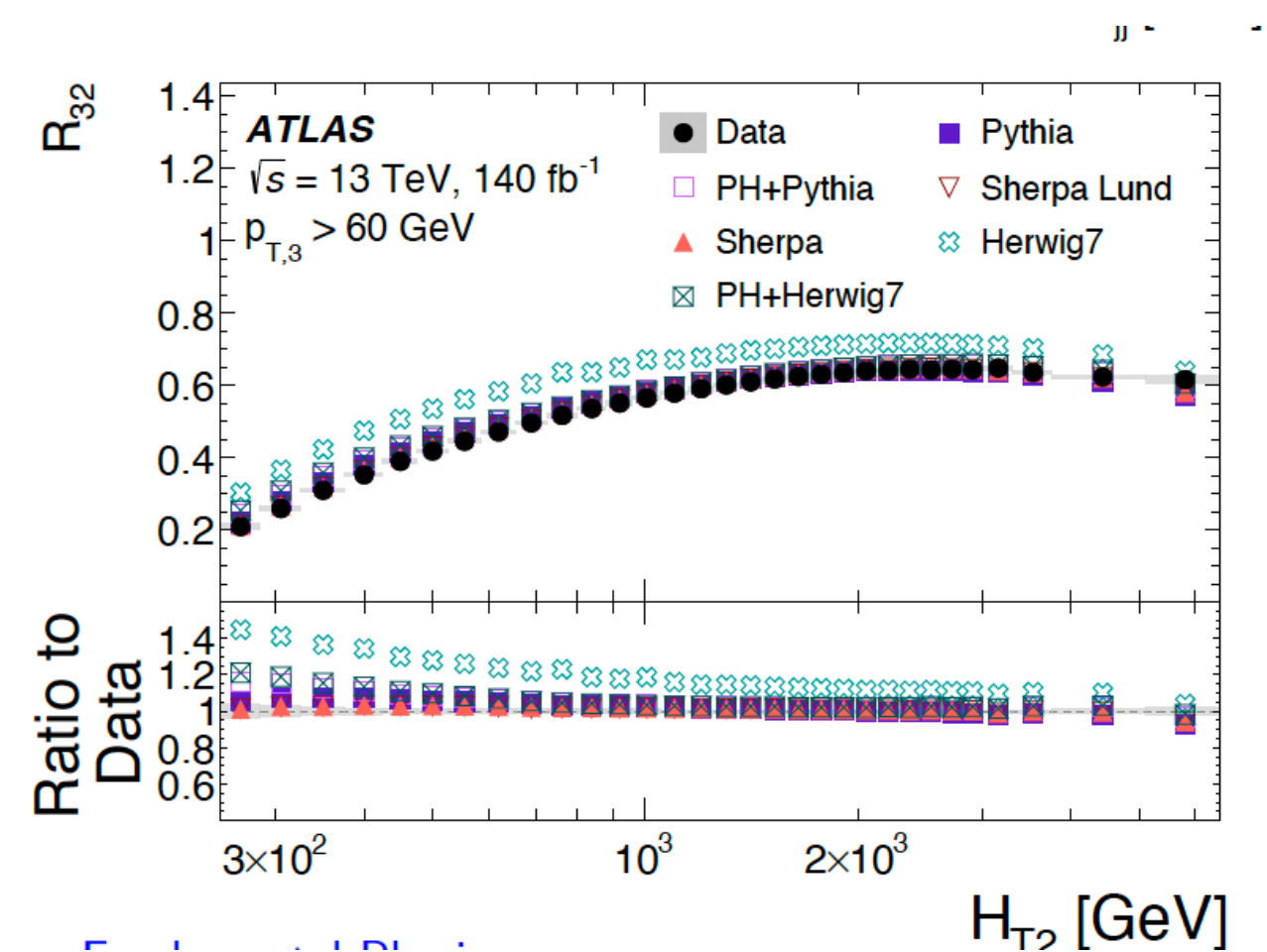
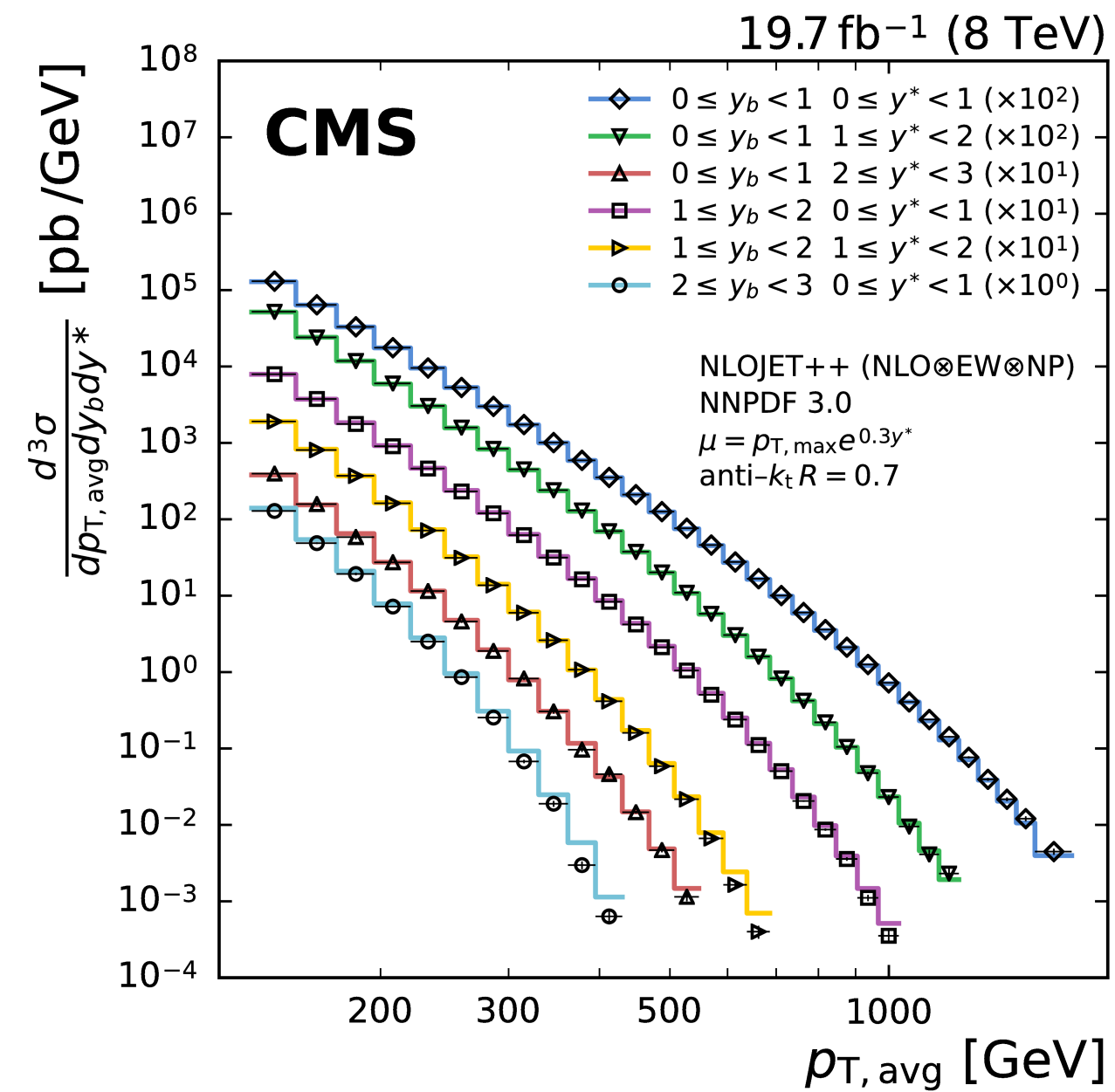




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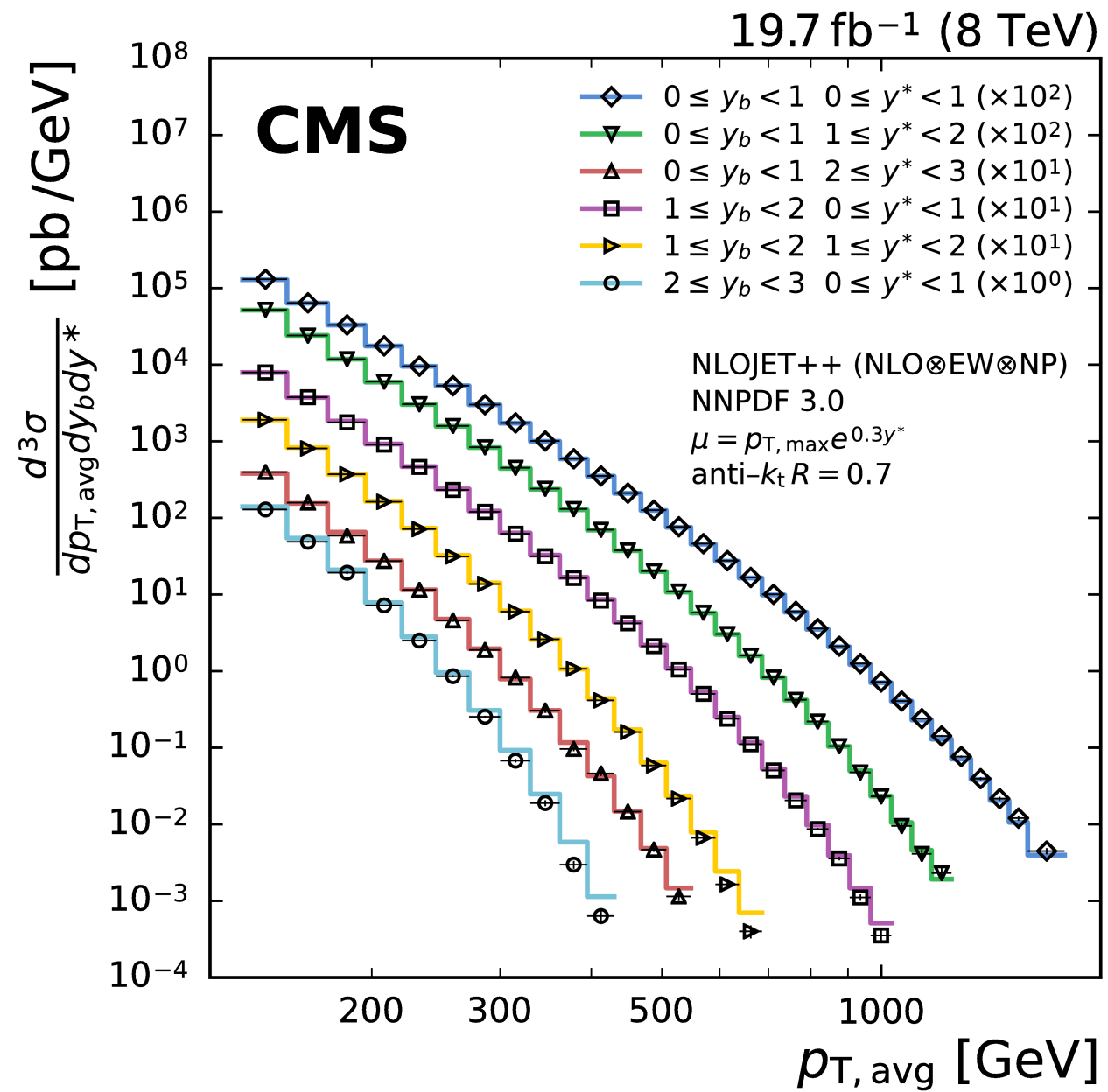
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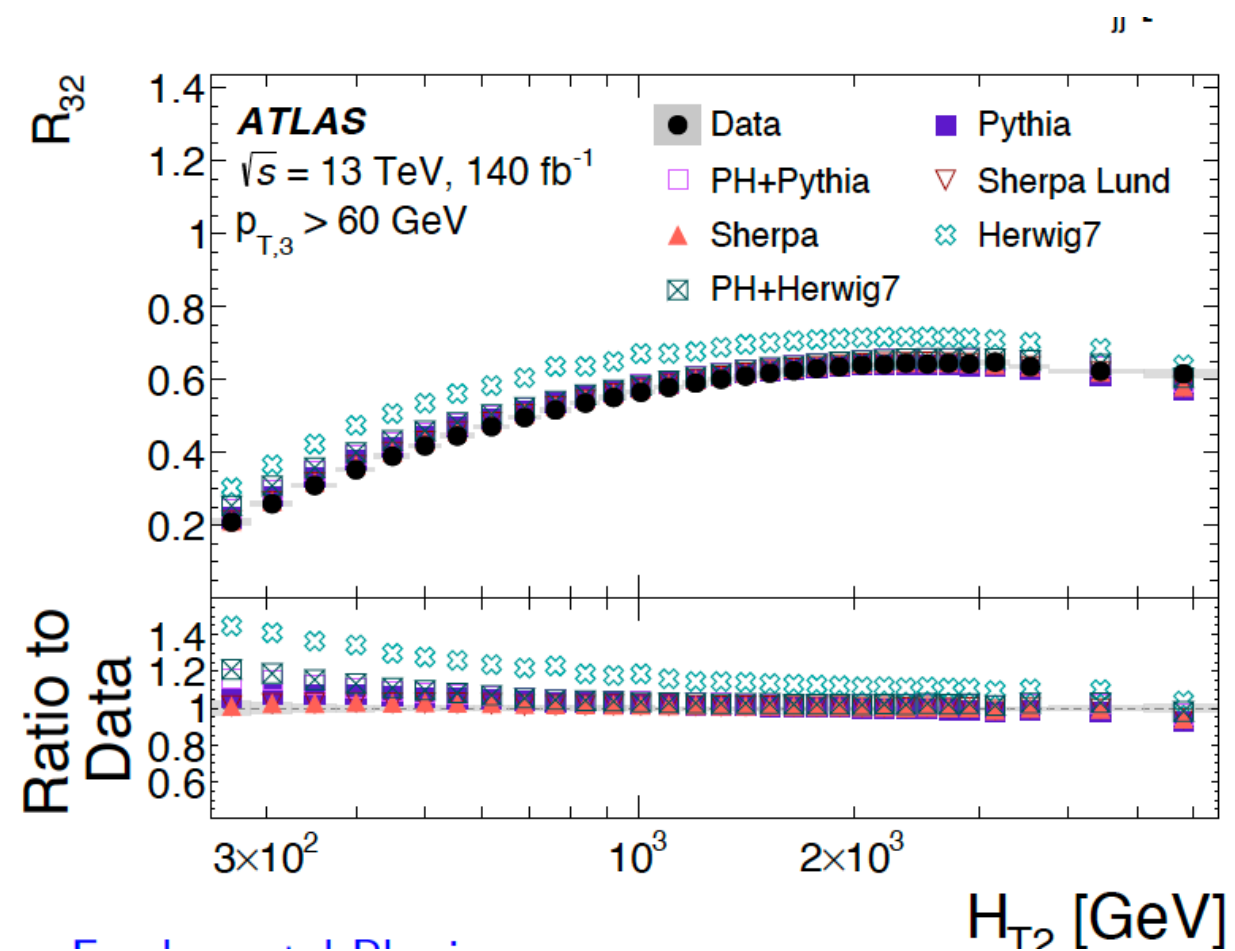


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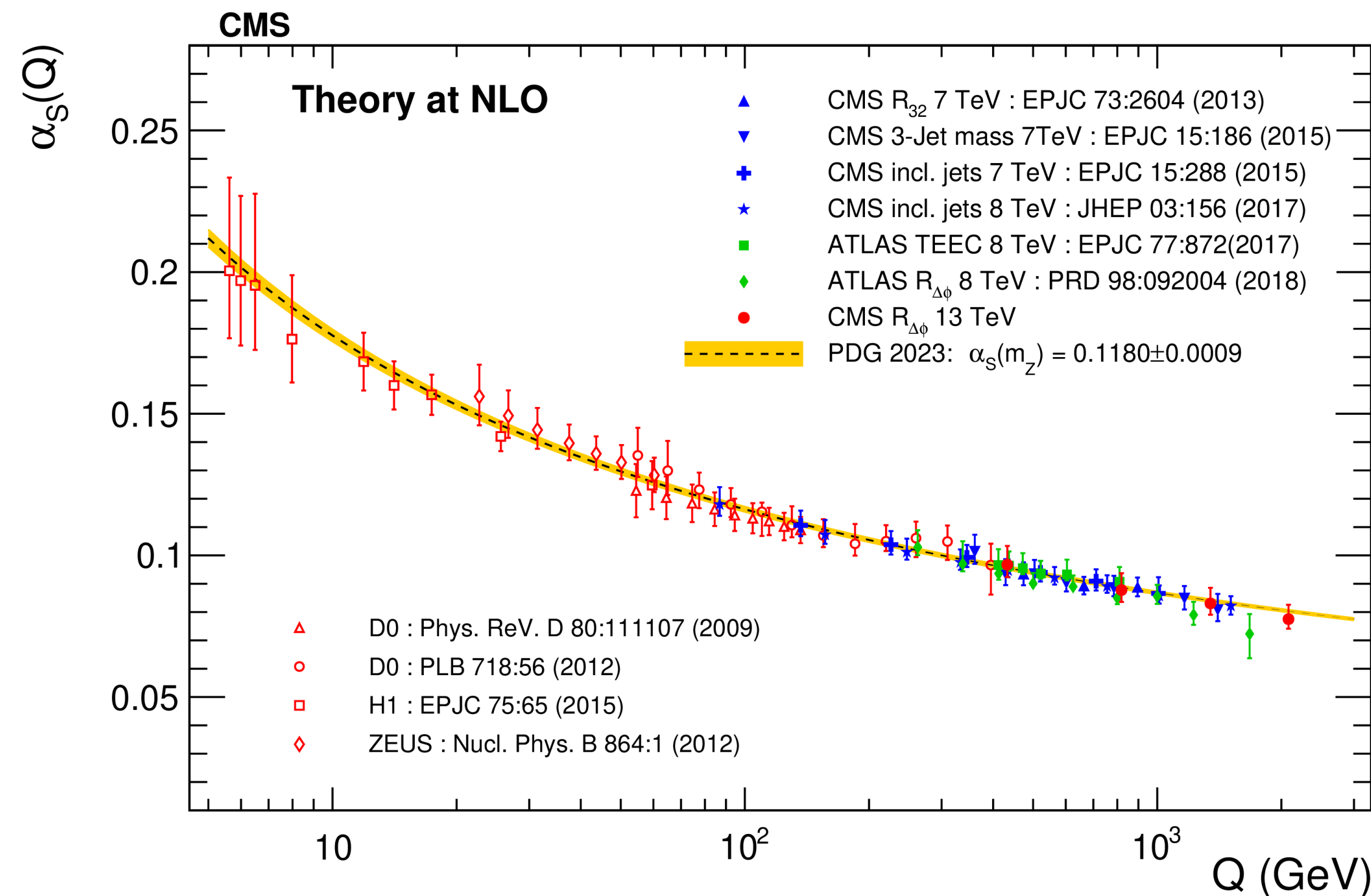
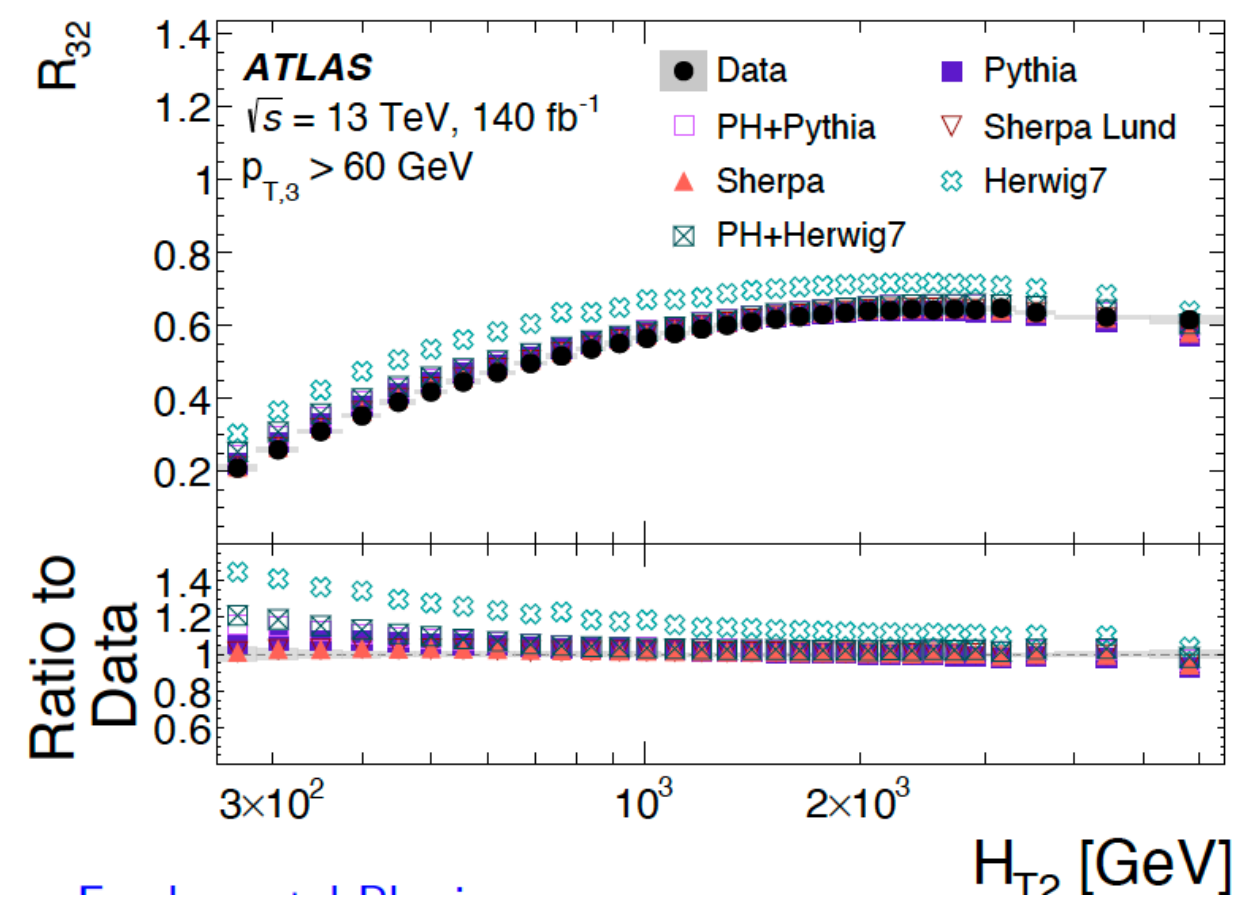
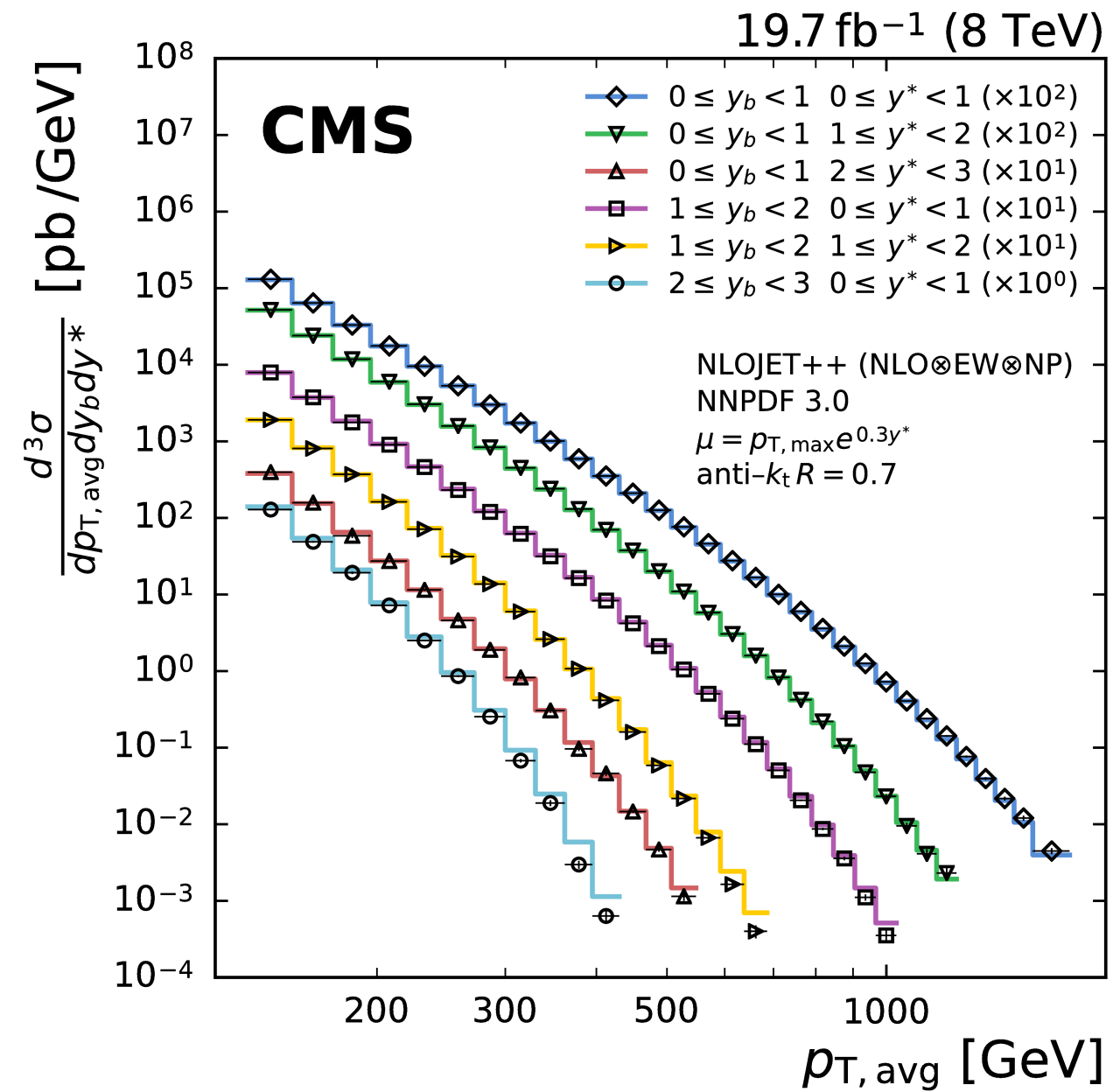




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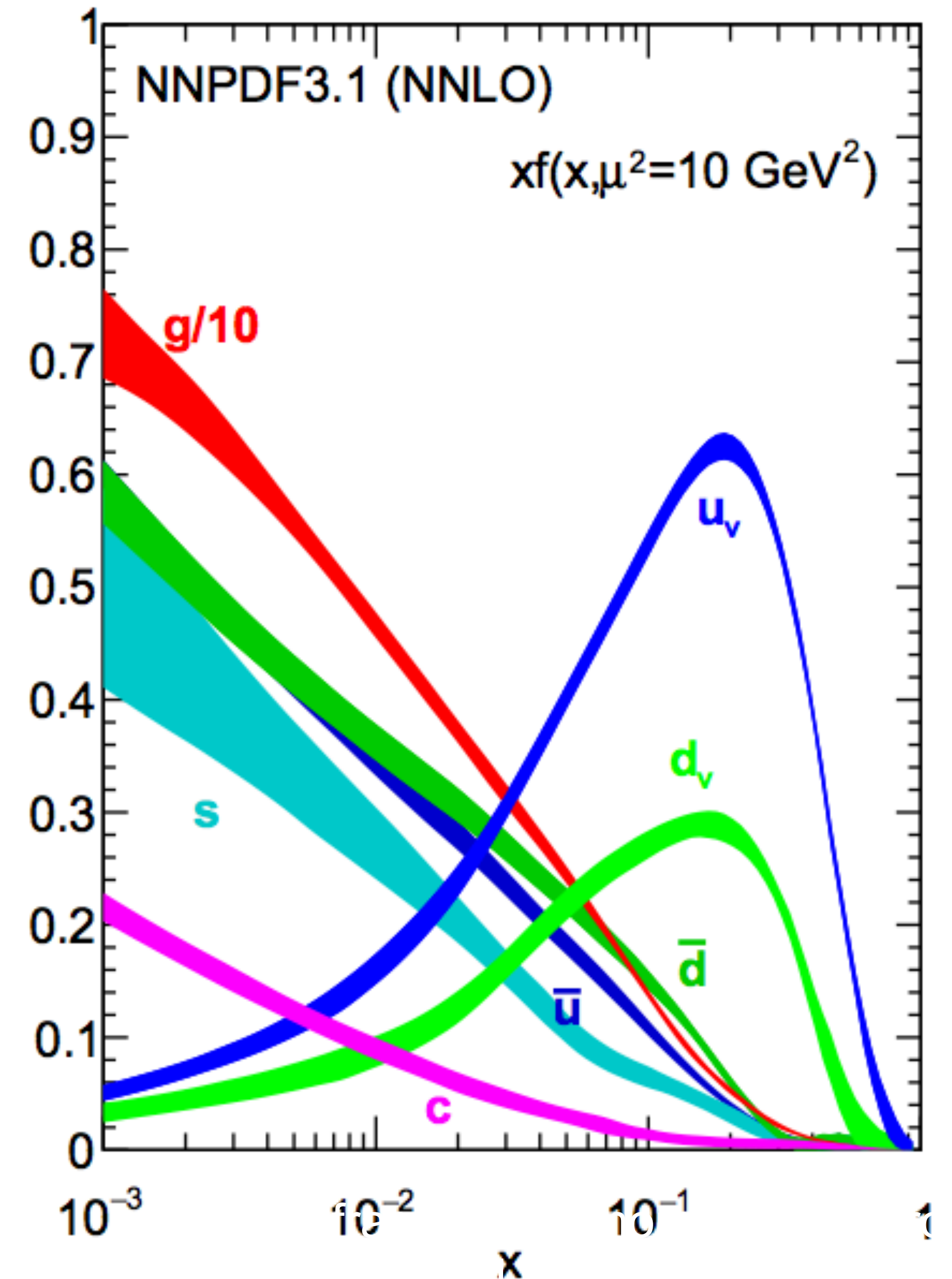
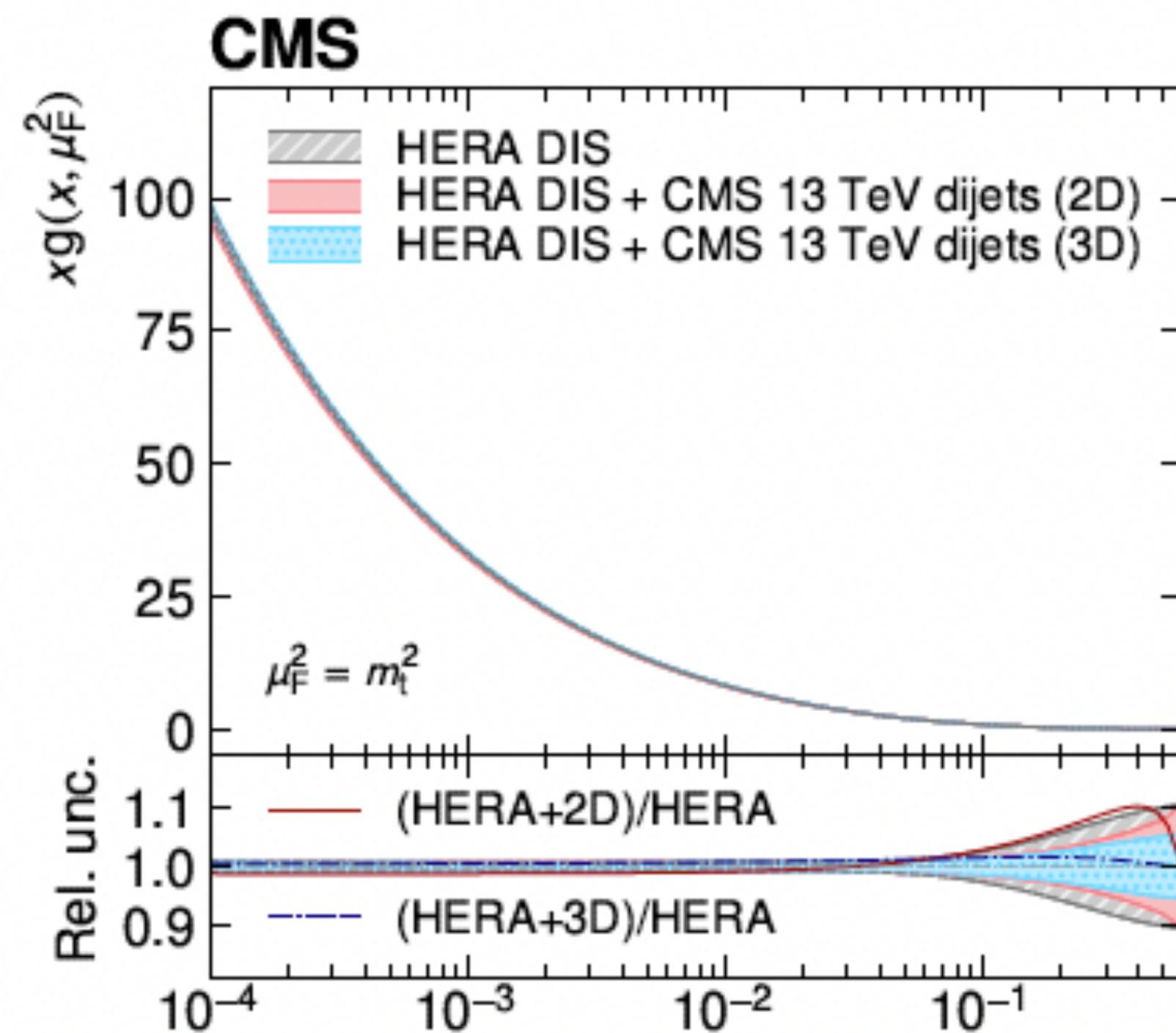
$$R_{3/2} = \frac{\sigma_{3-jets}}{\sigma_{2-jets}} = \frac{\text{Diagram 1}}{\text{Diagram 2}} \propto \alpha_s$$

The diagram shows two Feynman diagrams for jet production. The top diagram represents a 3-jet process where a quark line splits into two quarks and a gluon, which then splits into two more quarks. The bottom diagram represents a 2-jet process where a quark line splits into two quarks. The ratio of these cross-sections is proportional to the strong coupling constant  $\alpha_s$ .



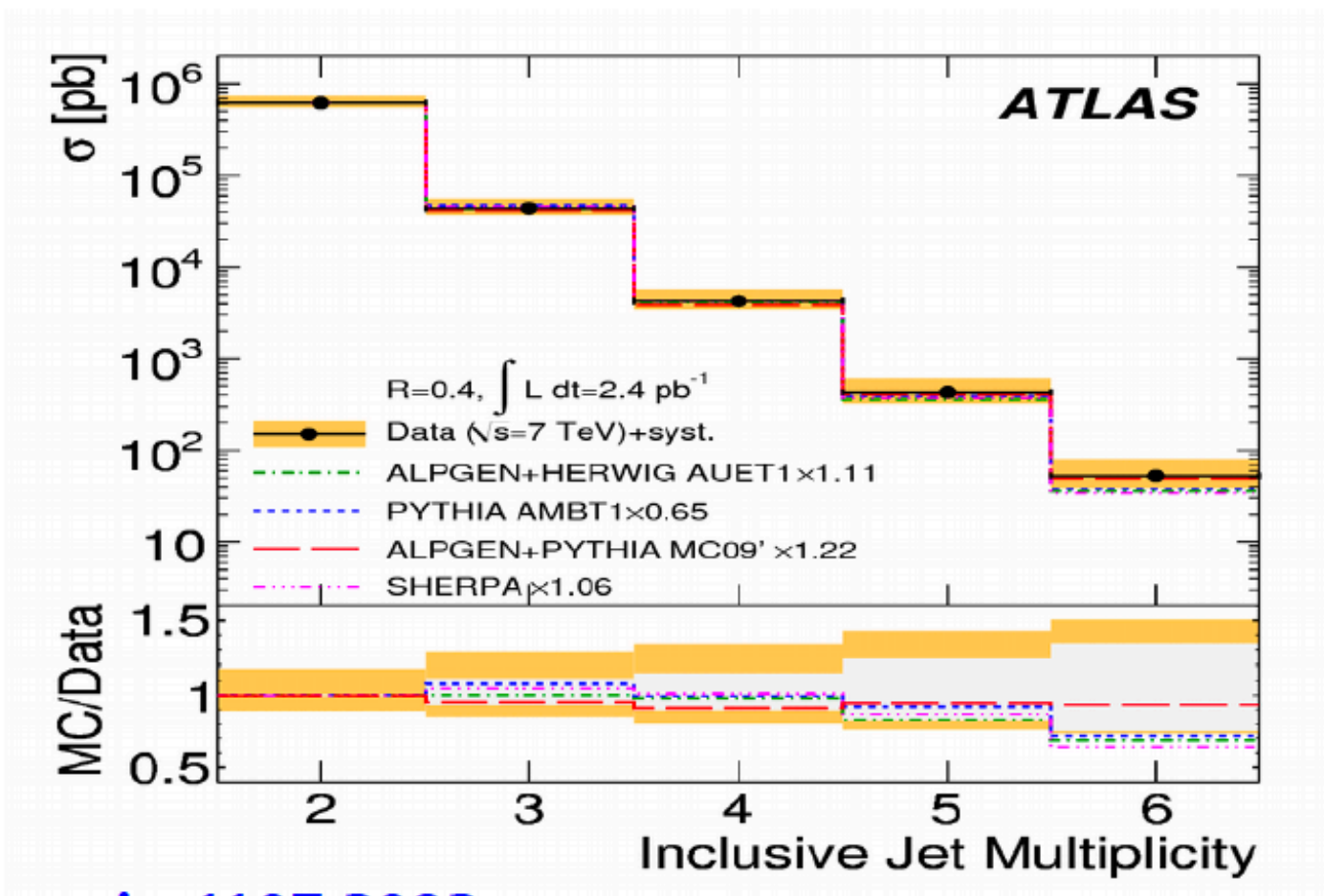
# PROTON STRUCTURE

- Very important for accurately understanding proton-proton collisions (especially at high  $x$ )
- Source of uncertainty in measurements and searches.
- PDFs: Parton Density Functions
- DIS (HERA) + LHC data

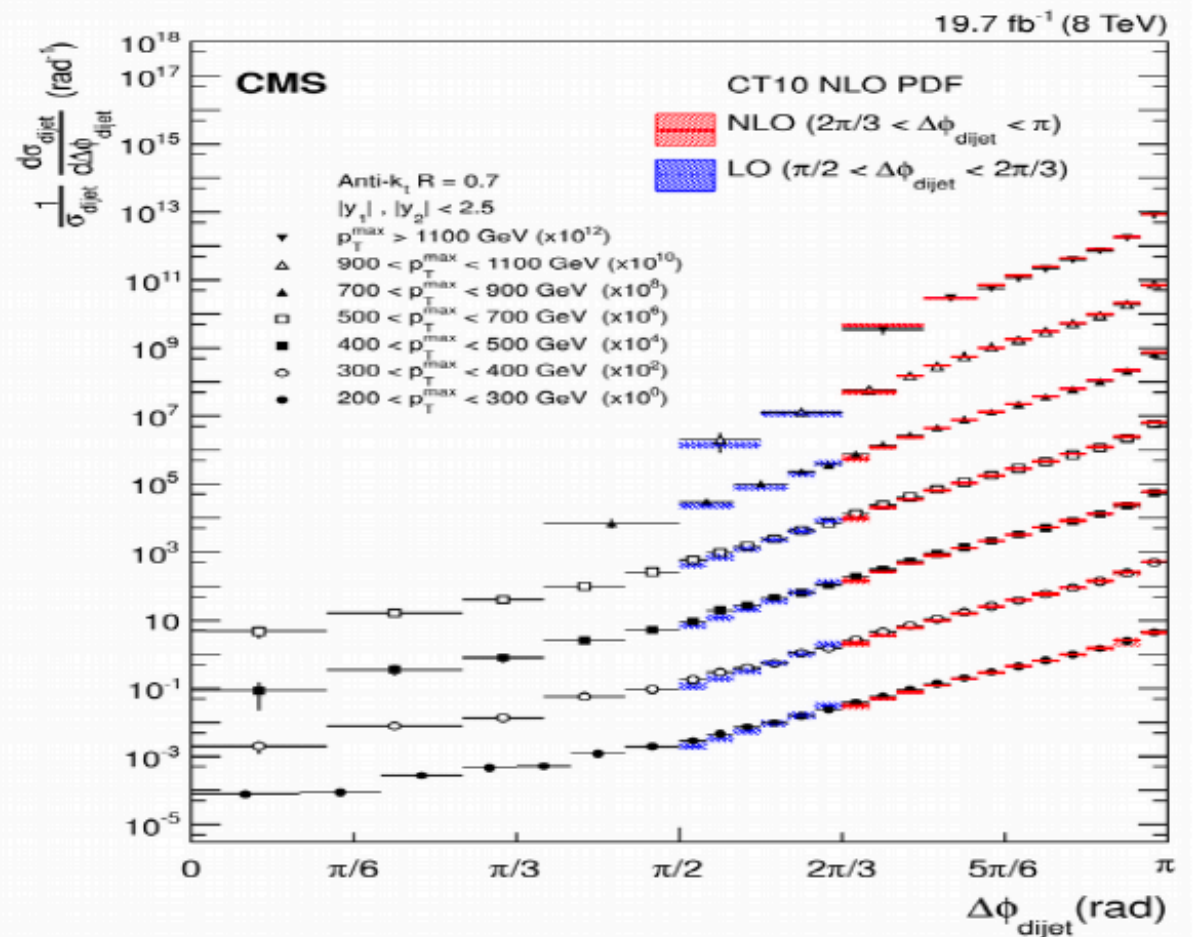




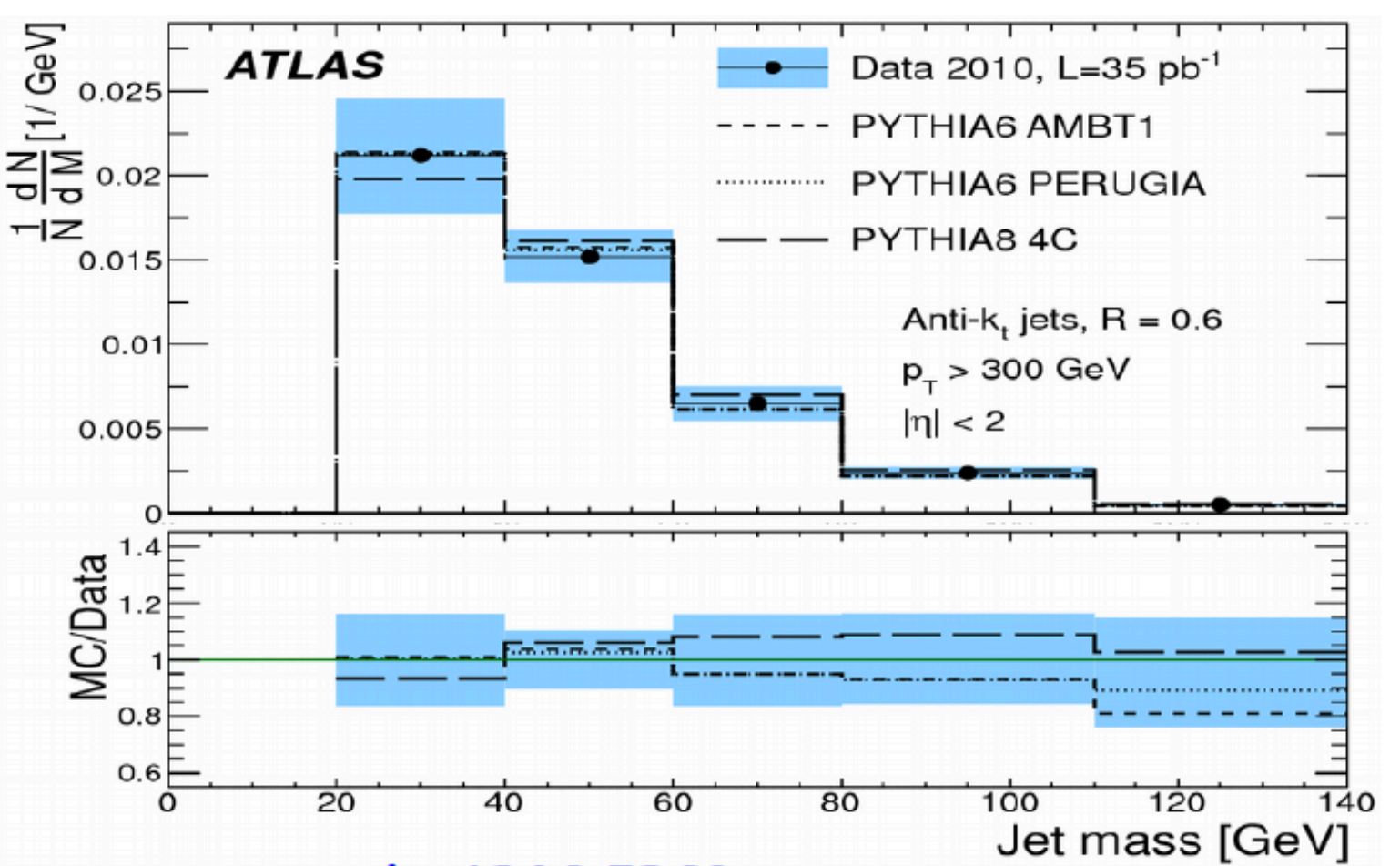
# MANY MORE QCD @ LHC RESULTS...



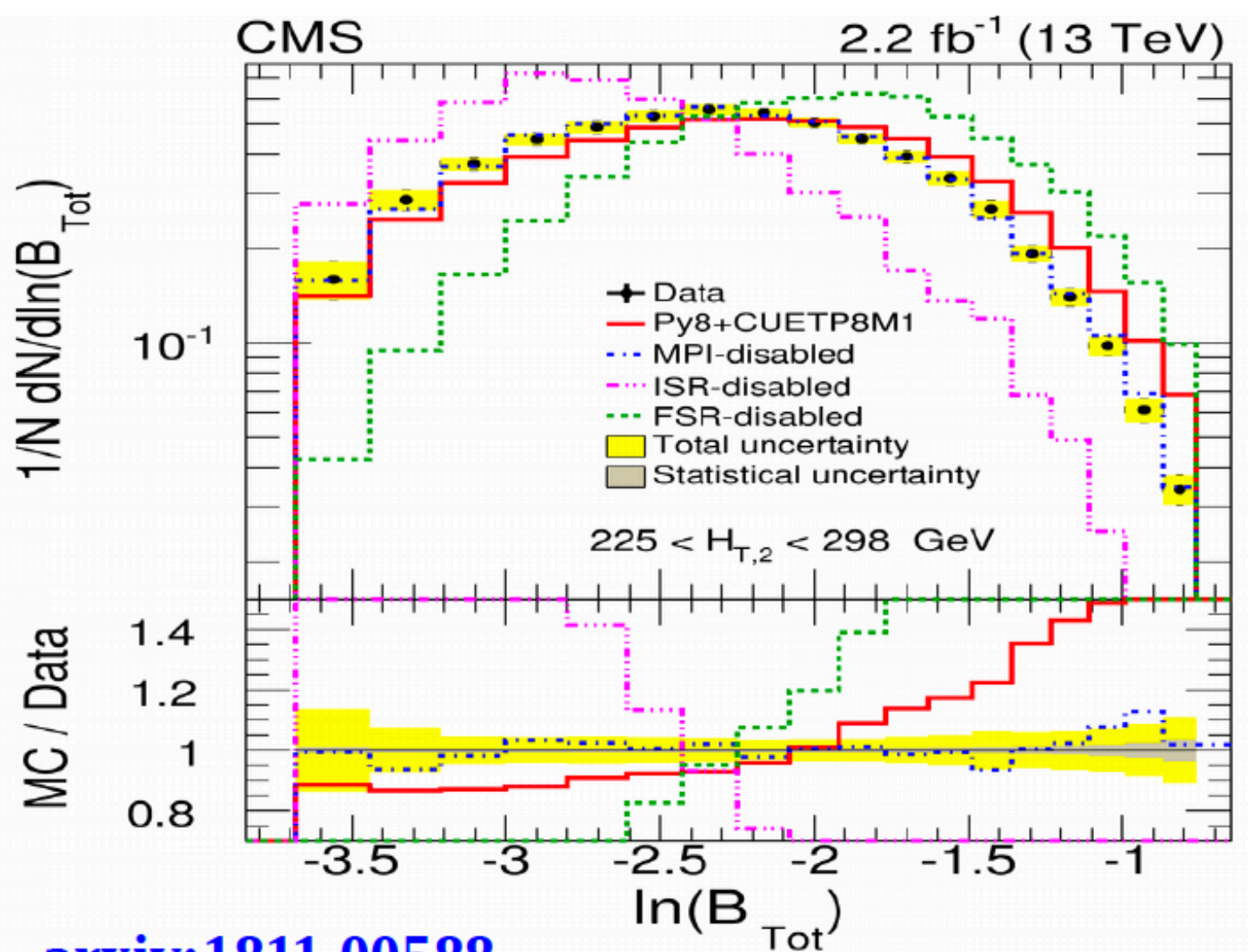
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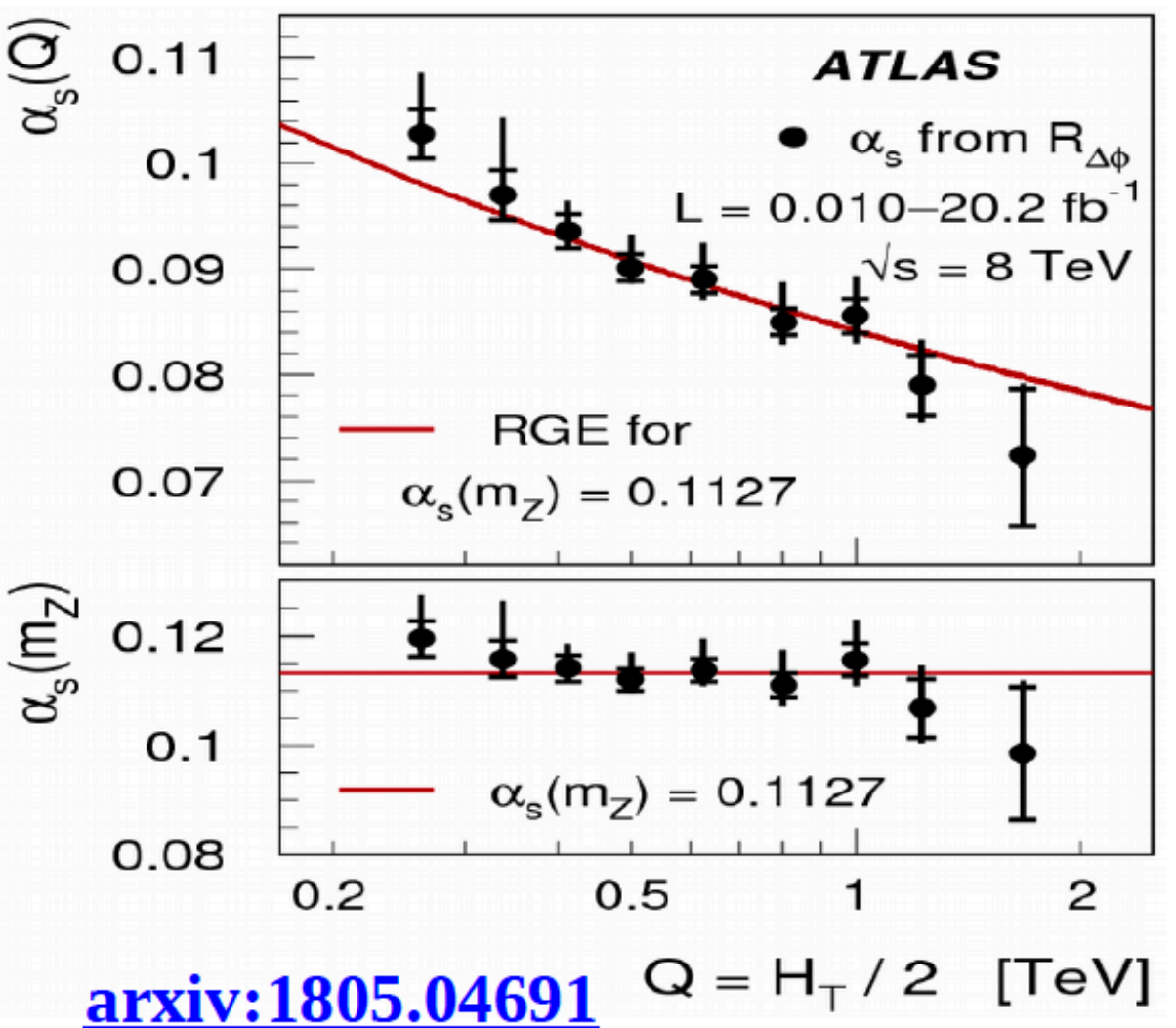
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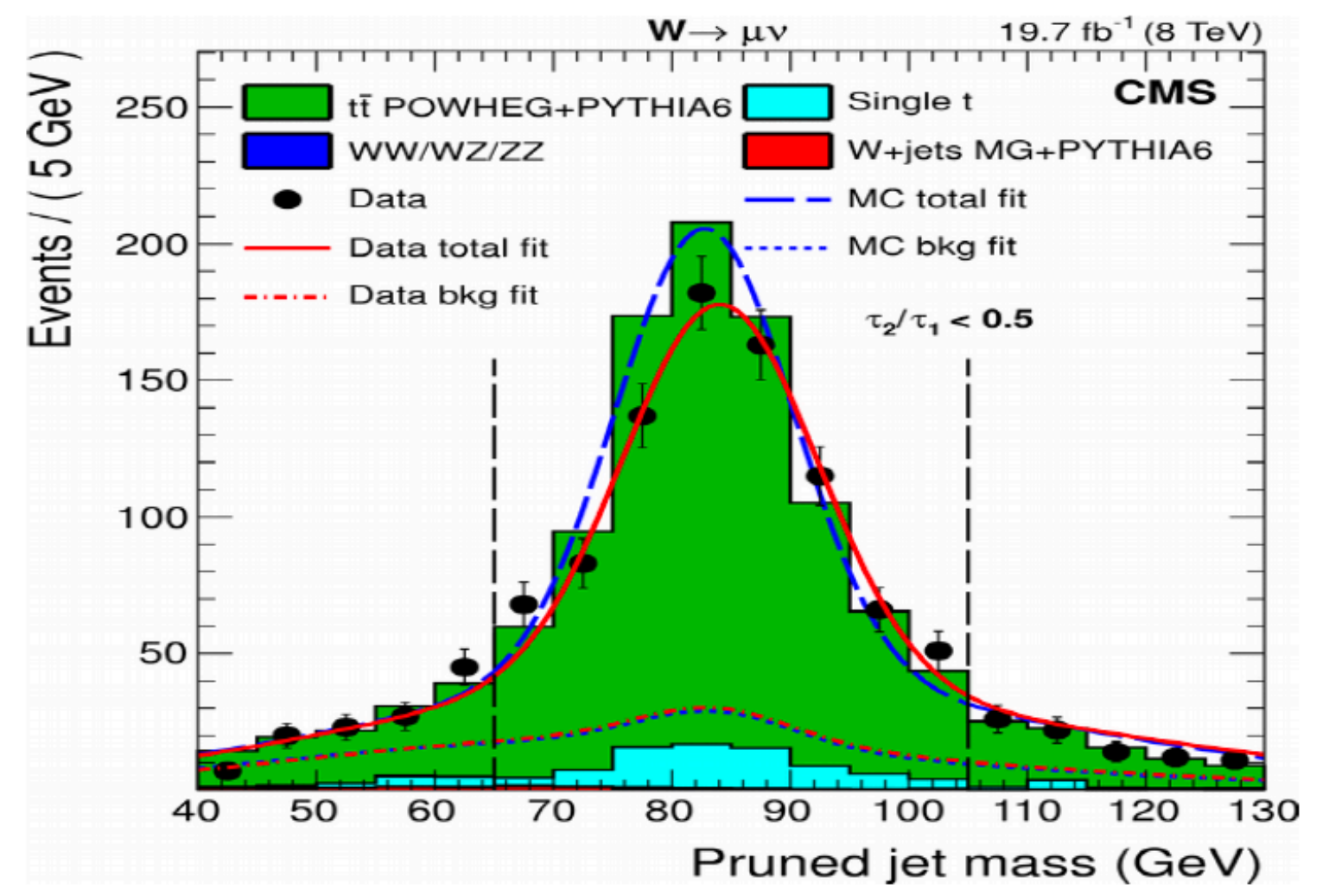
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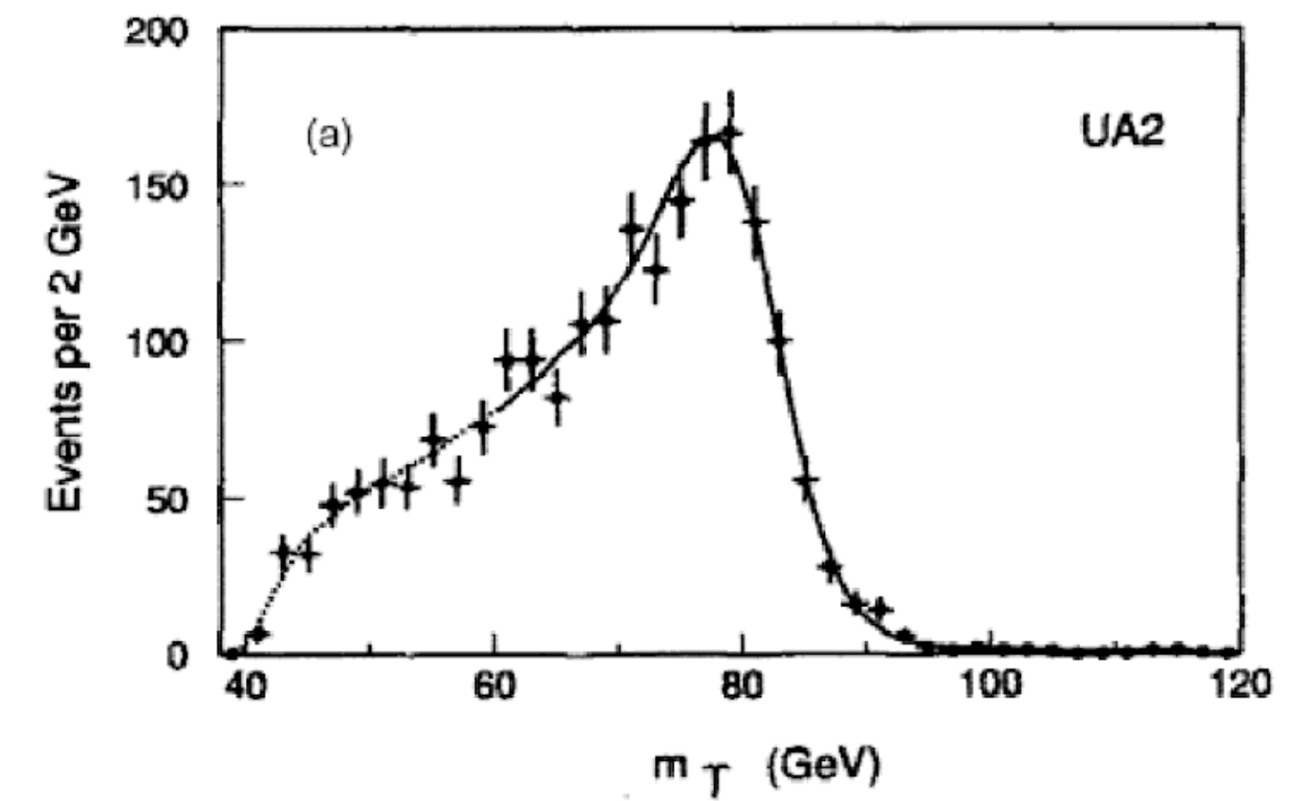
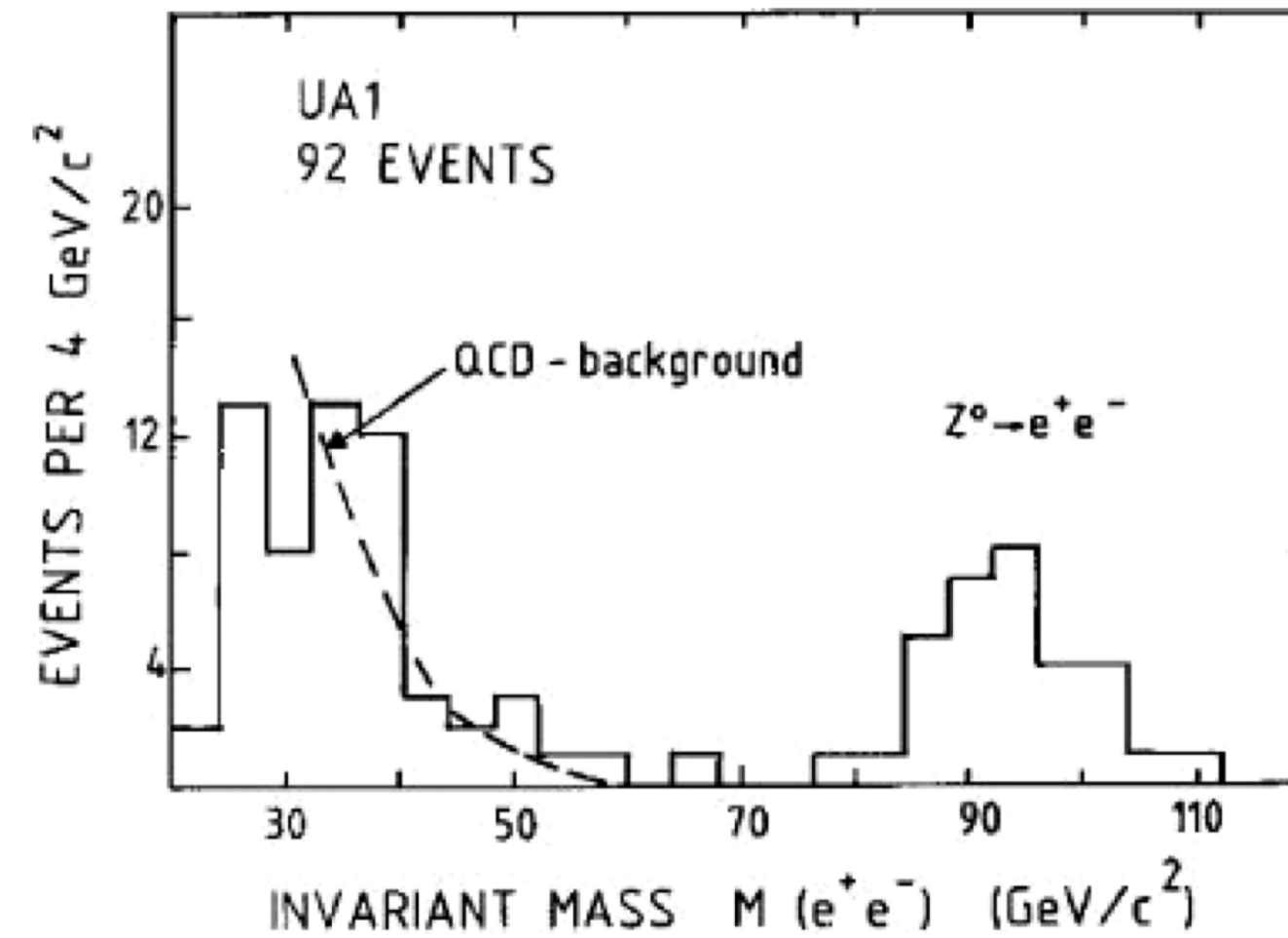
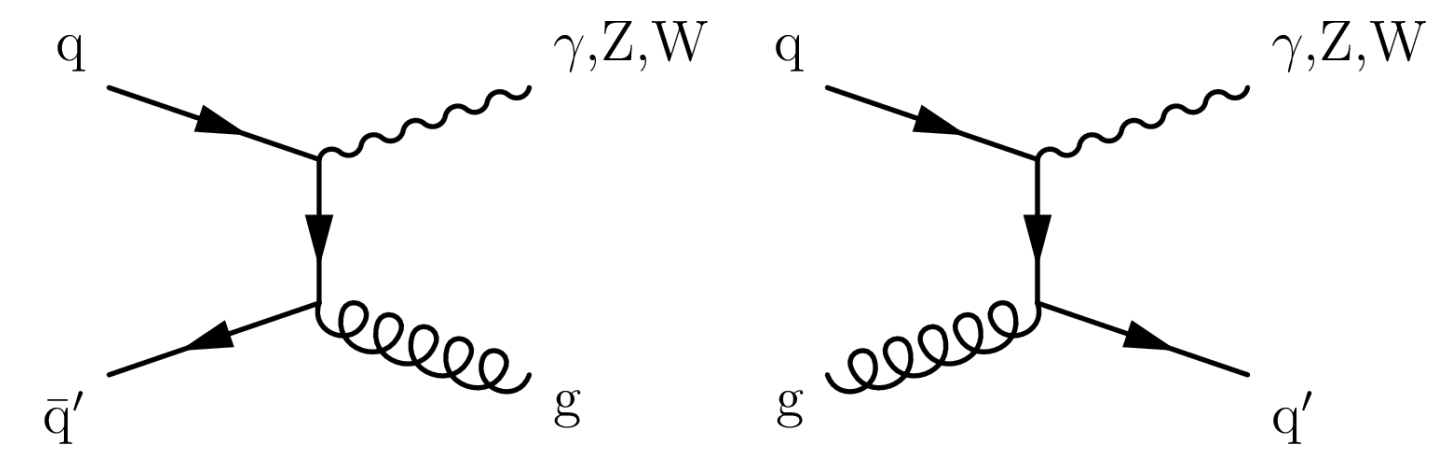
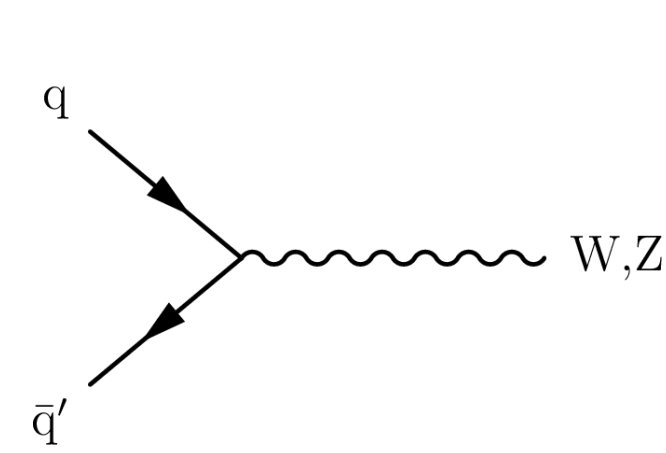


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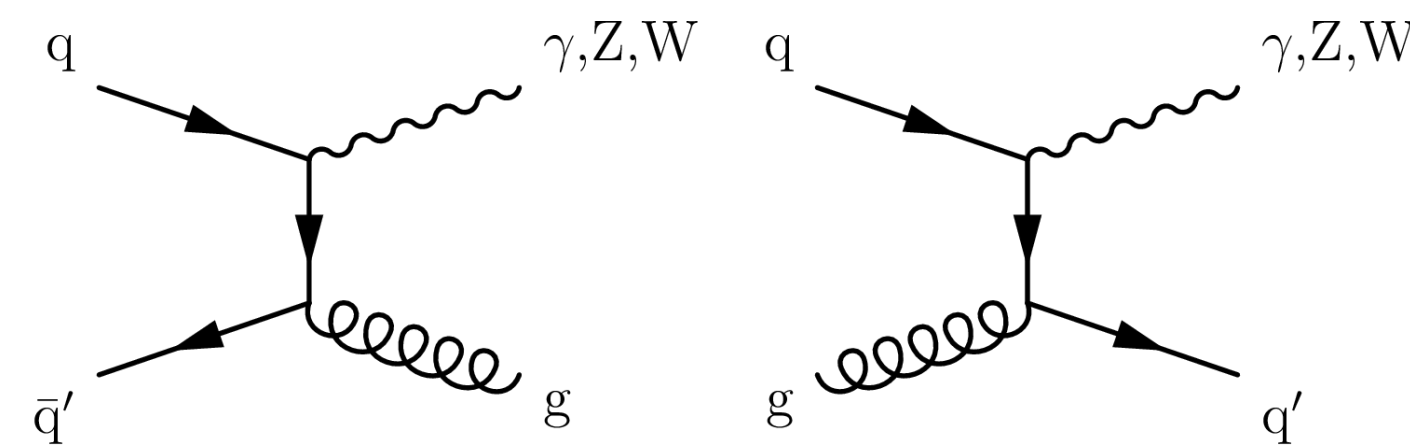
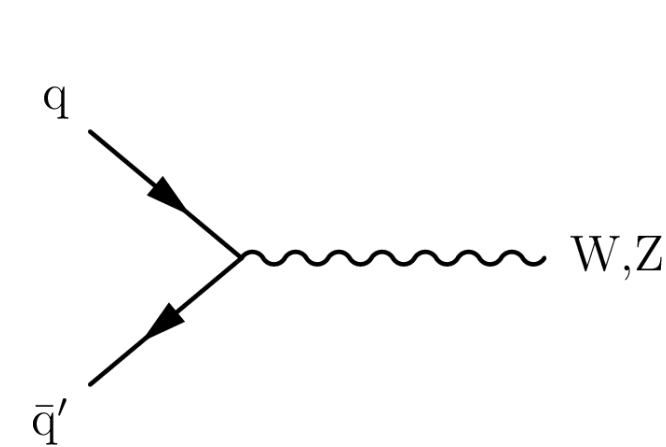
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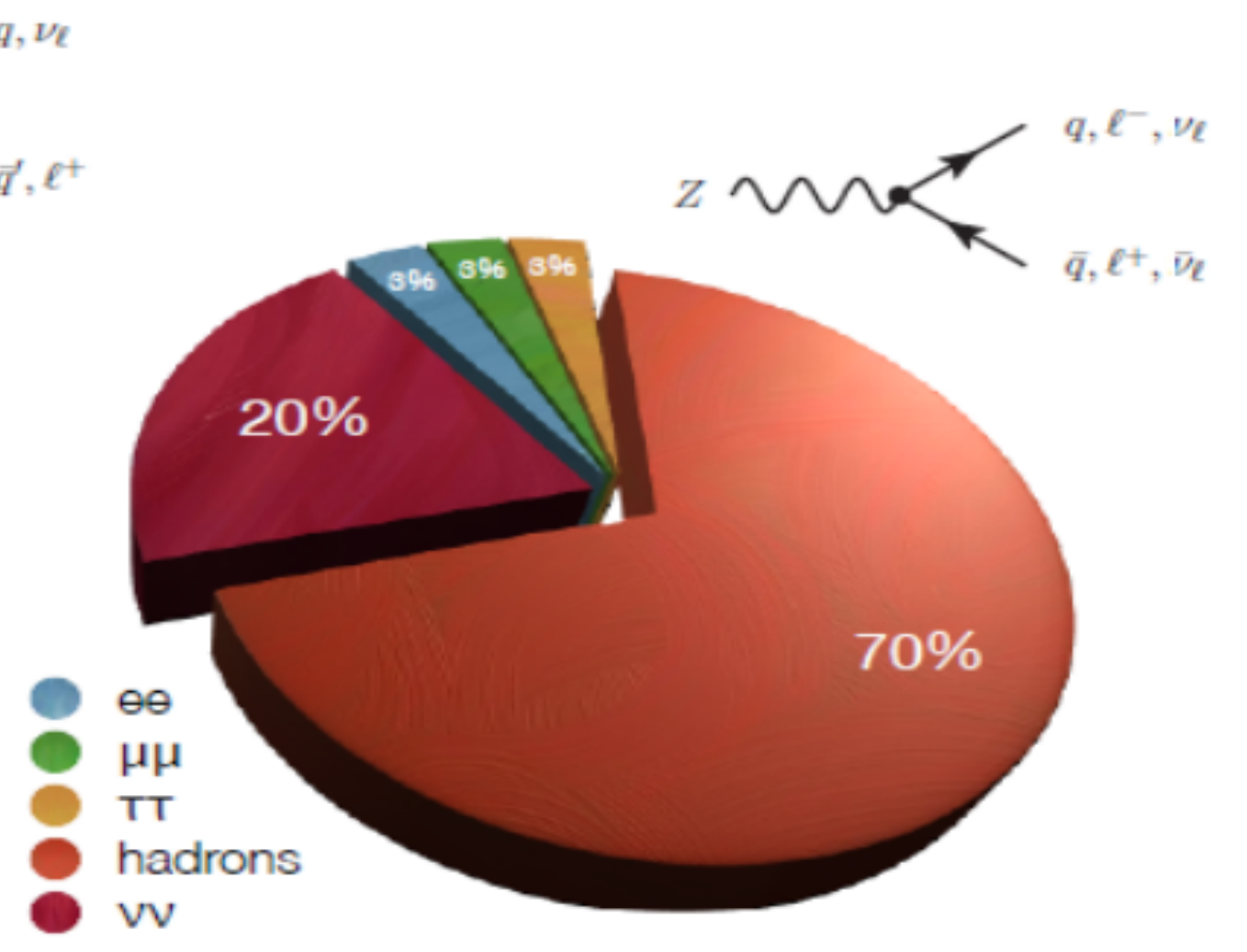
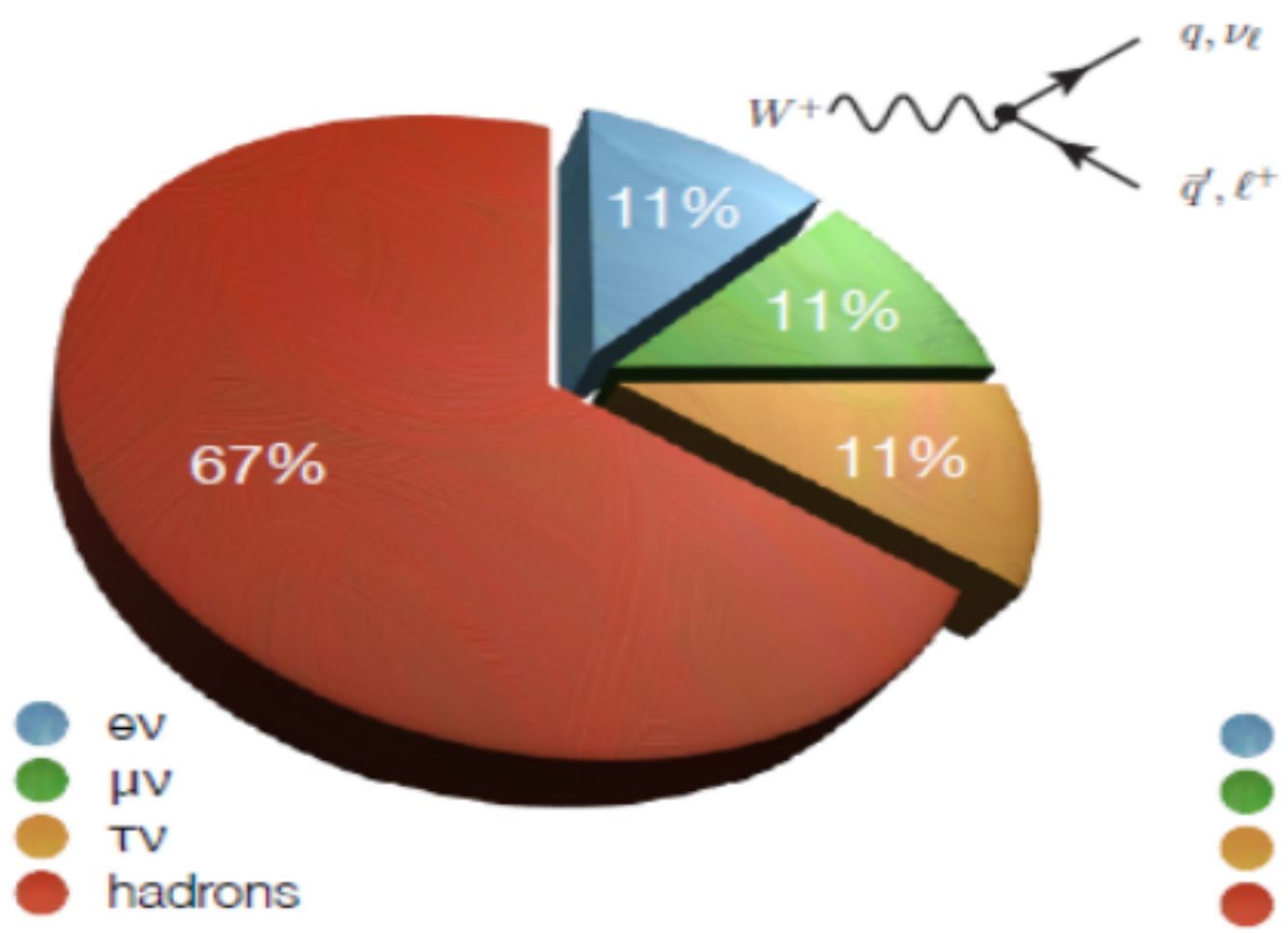
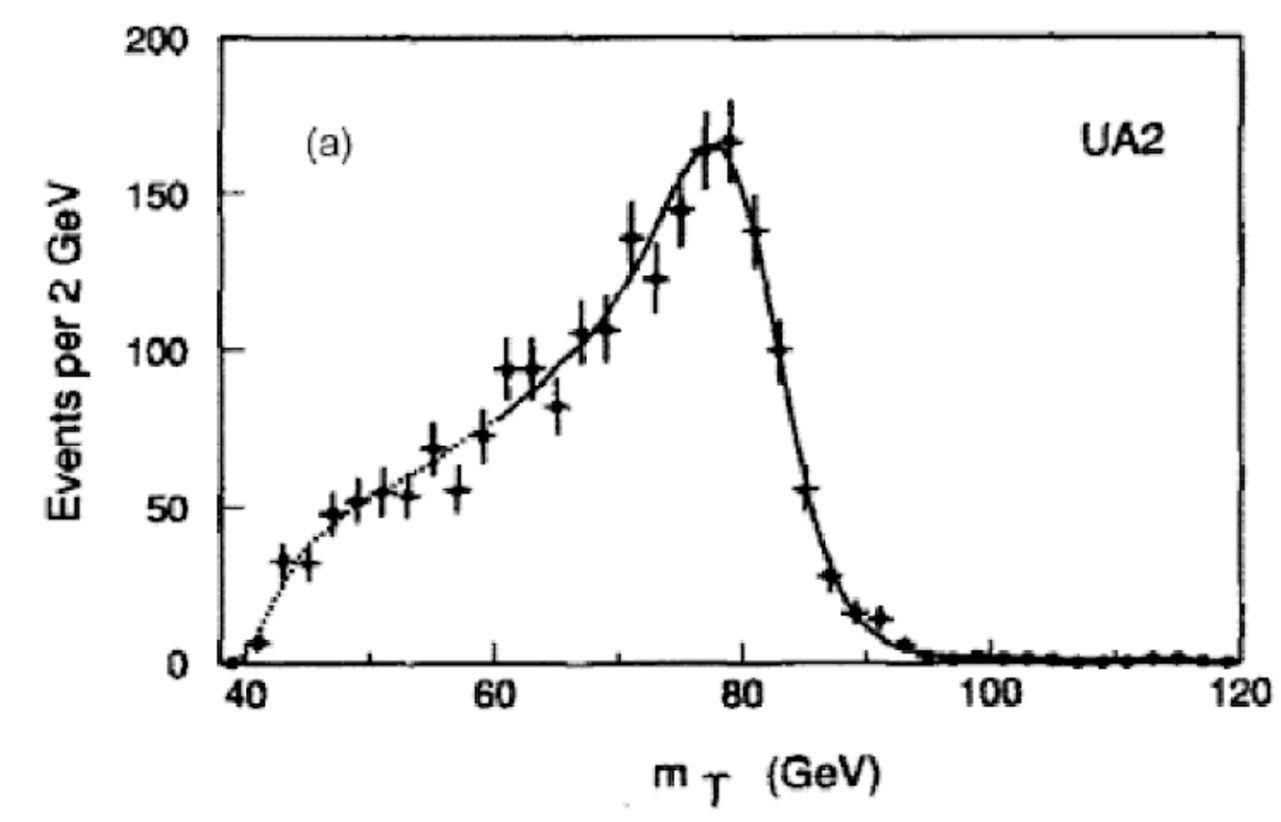
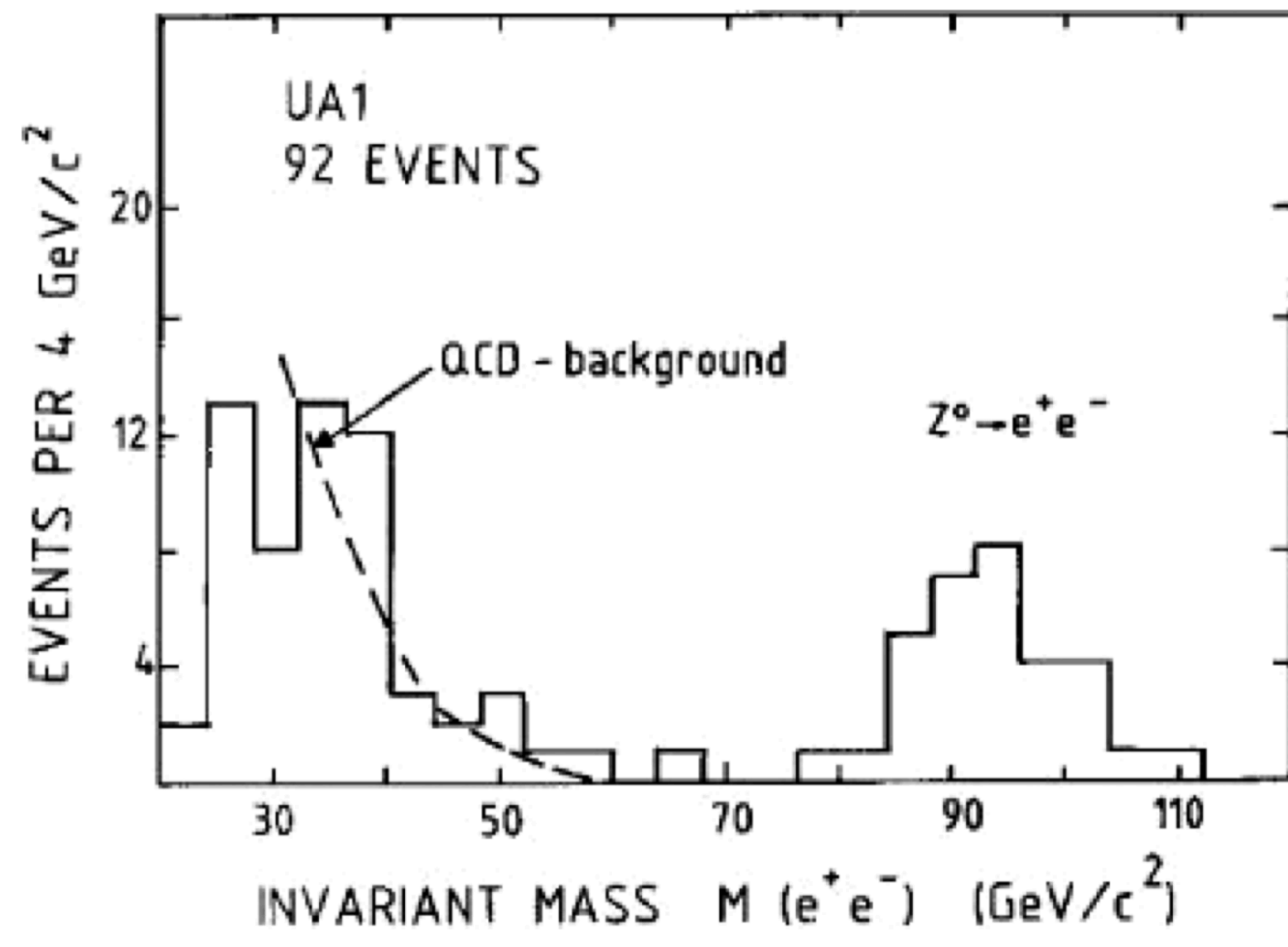




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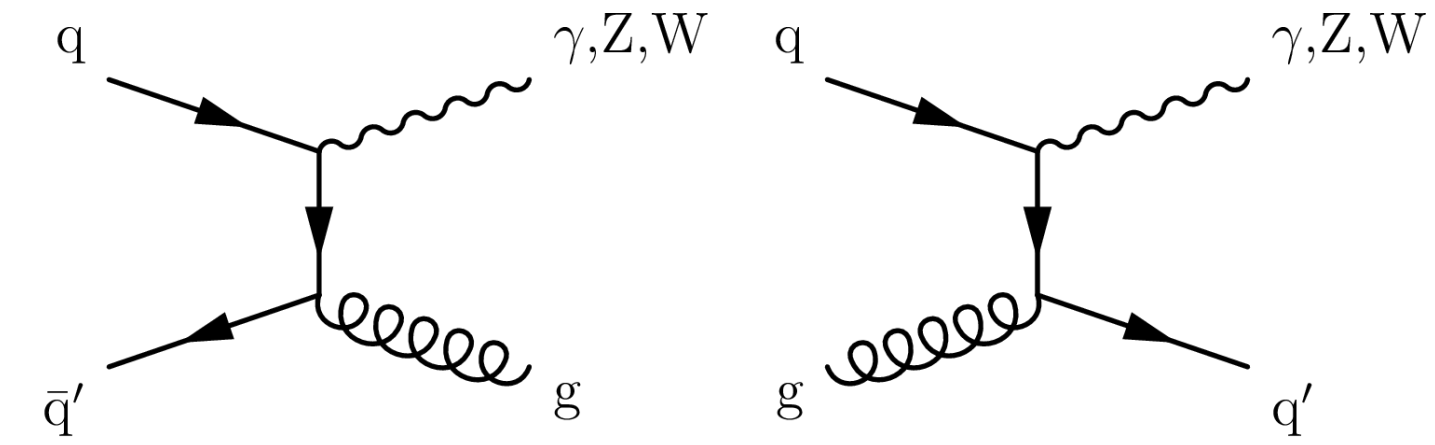
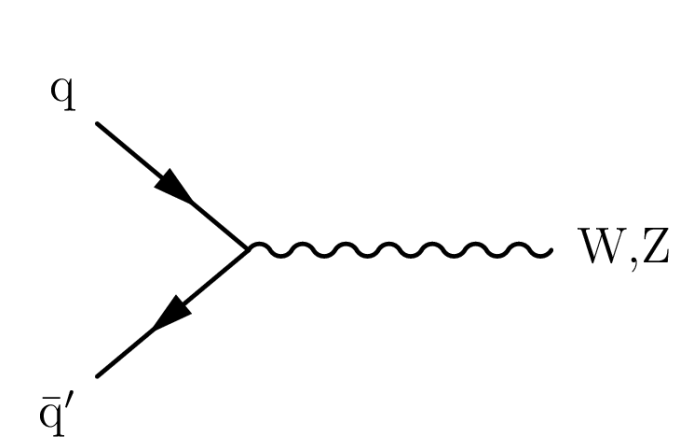


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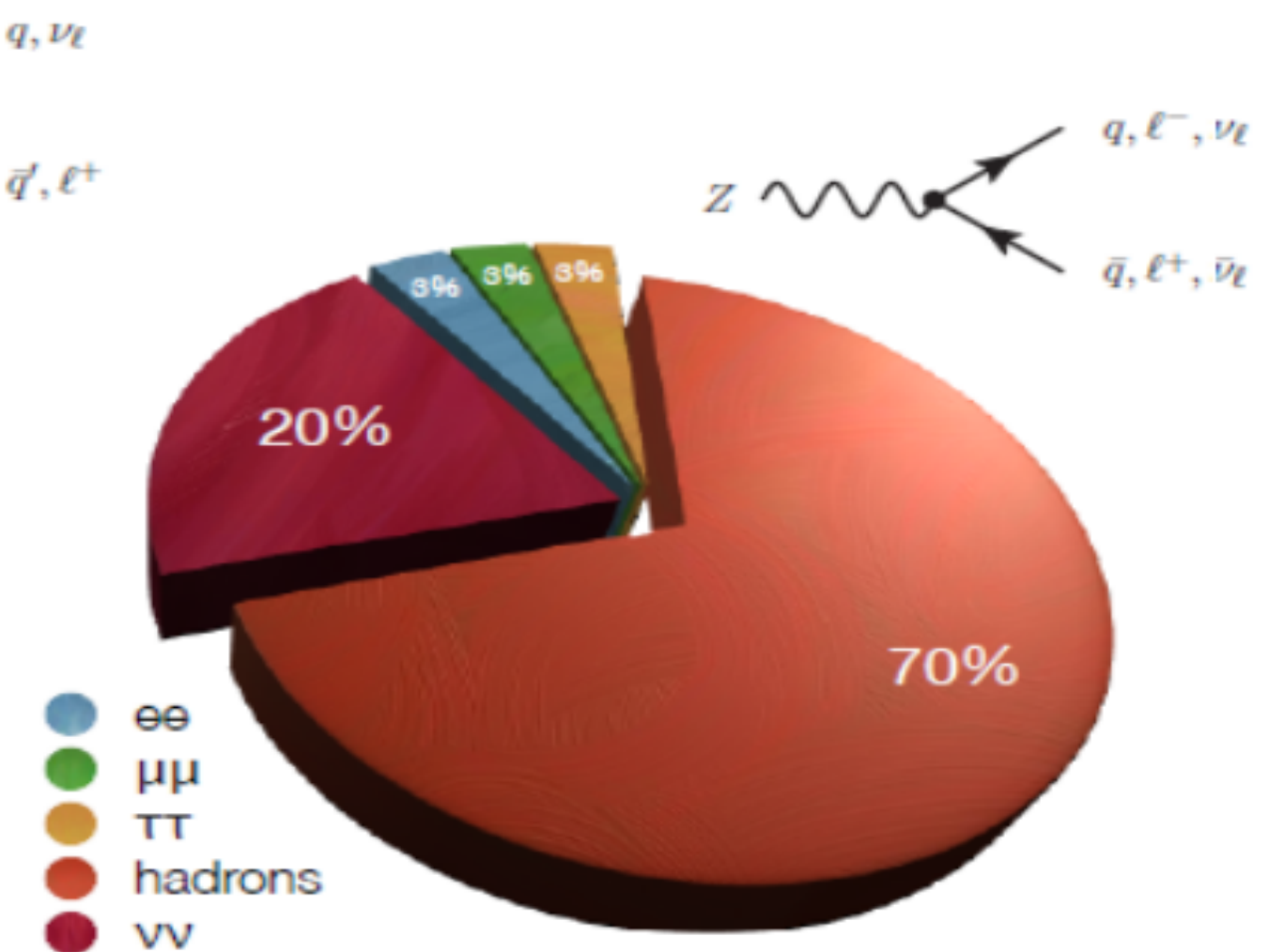
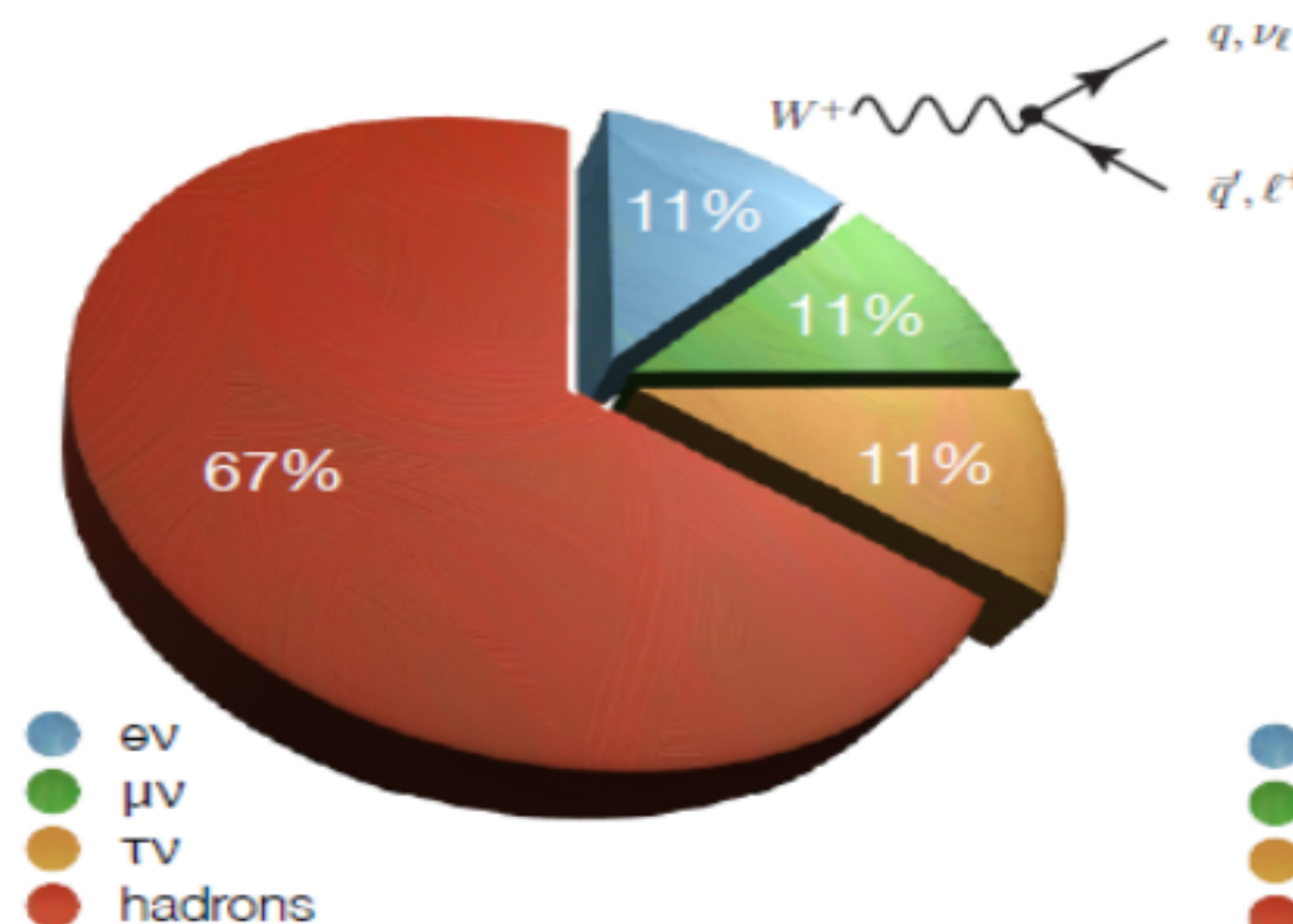
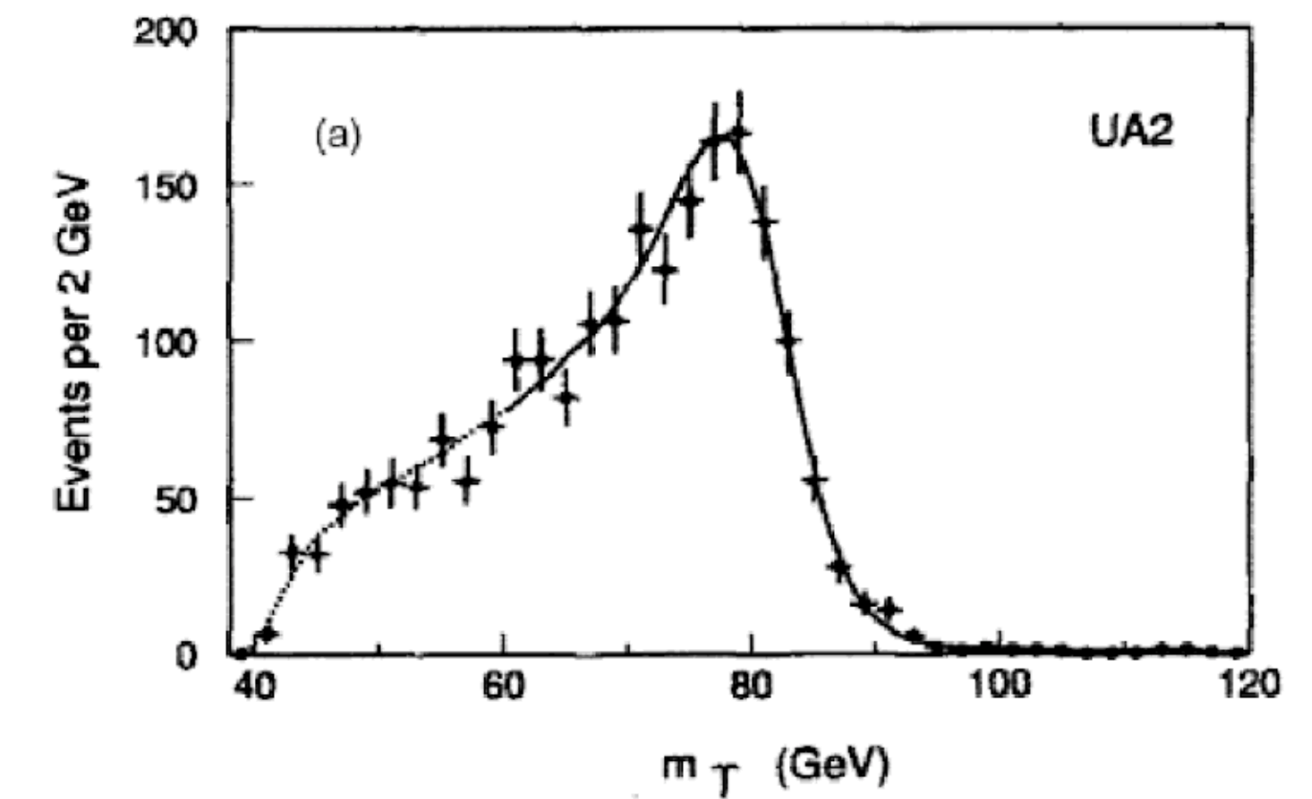
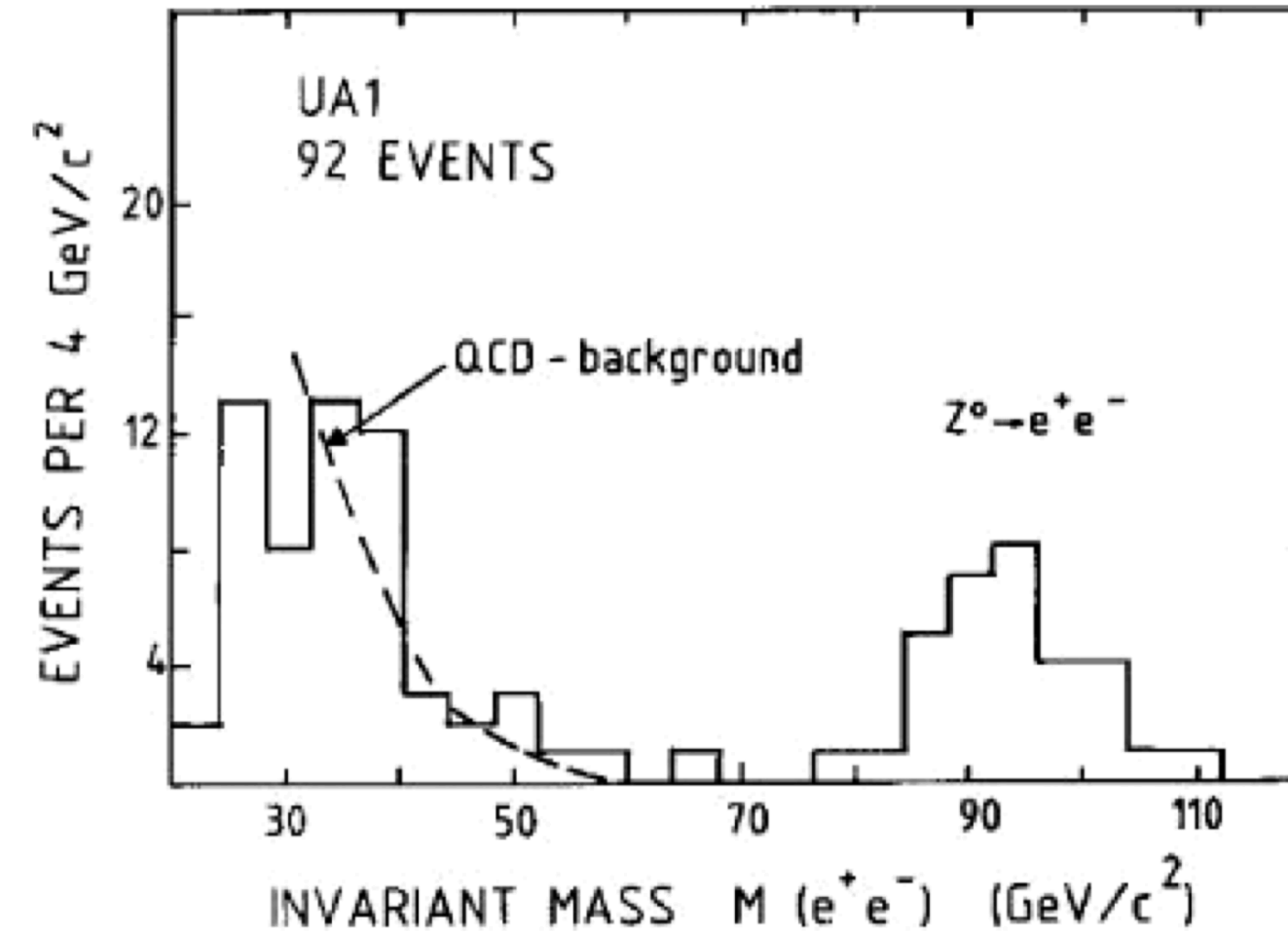




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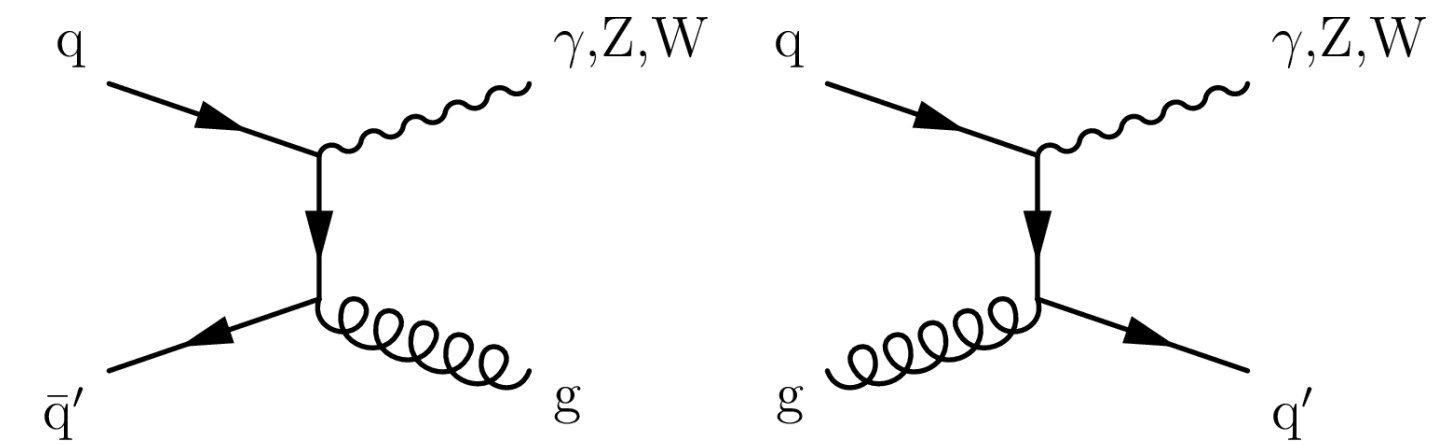
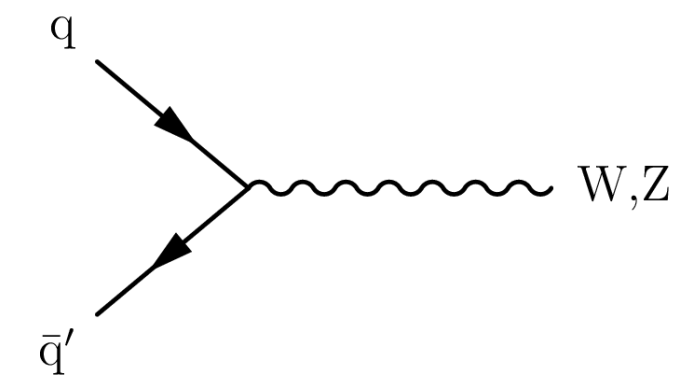


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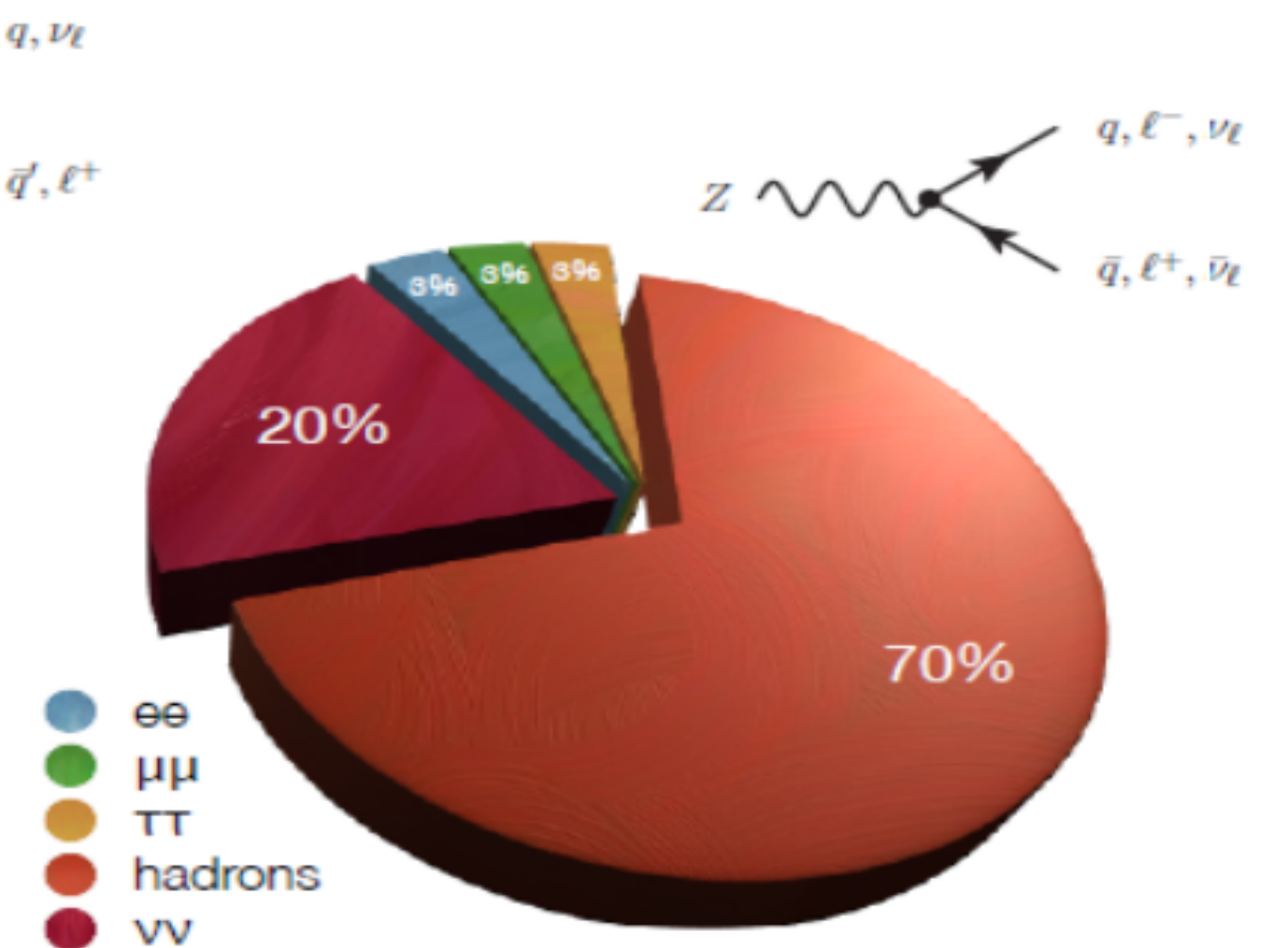
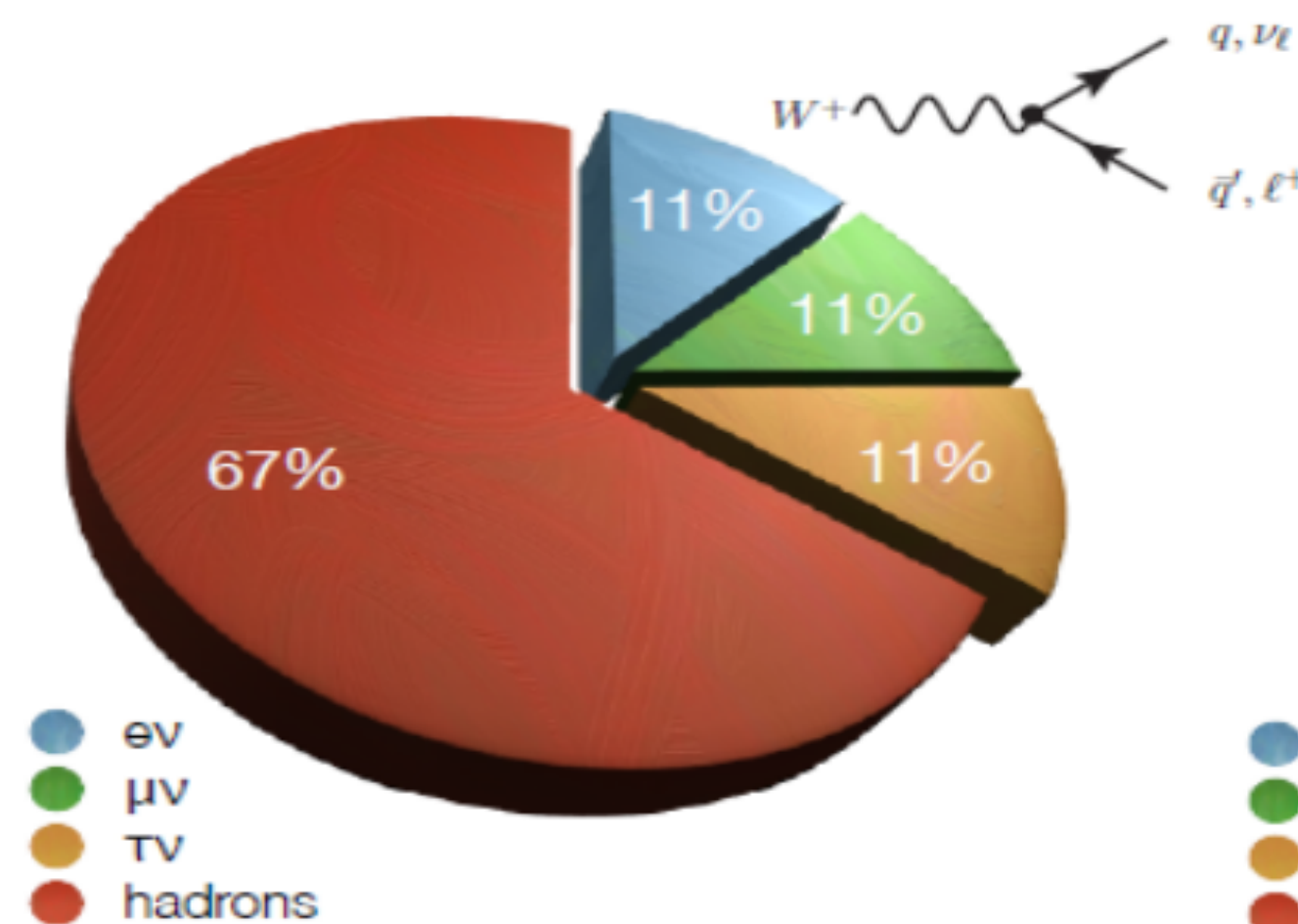
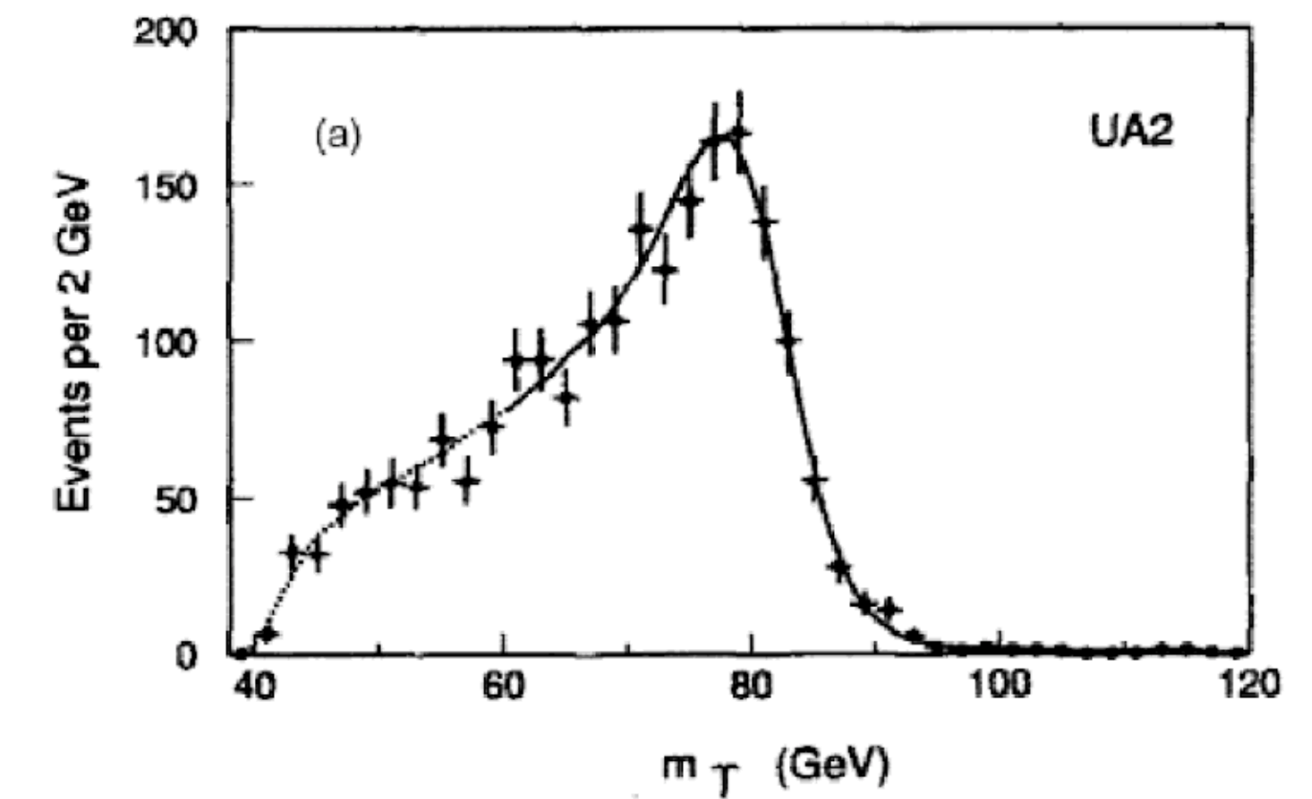
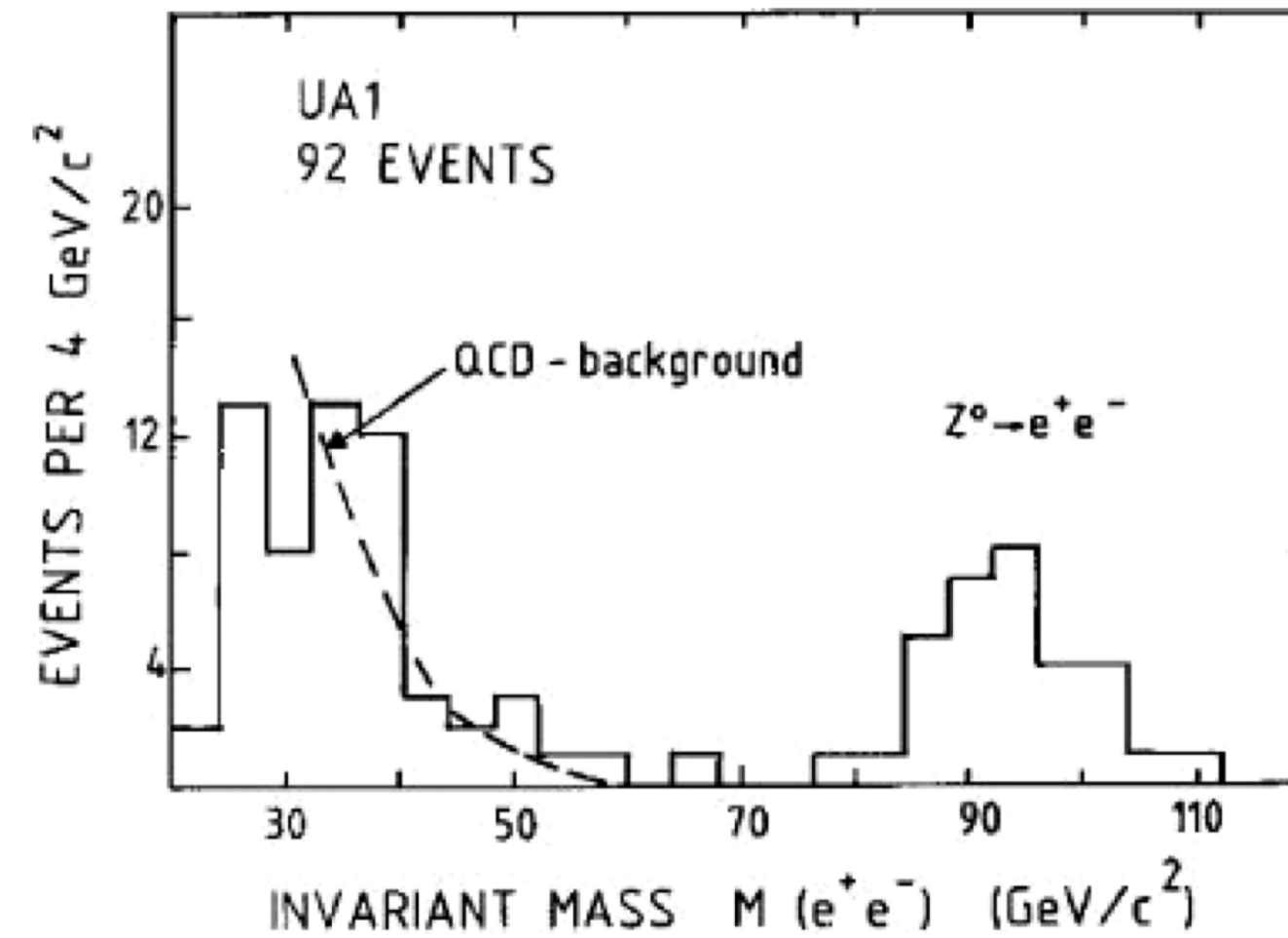




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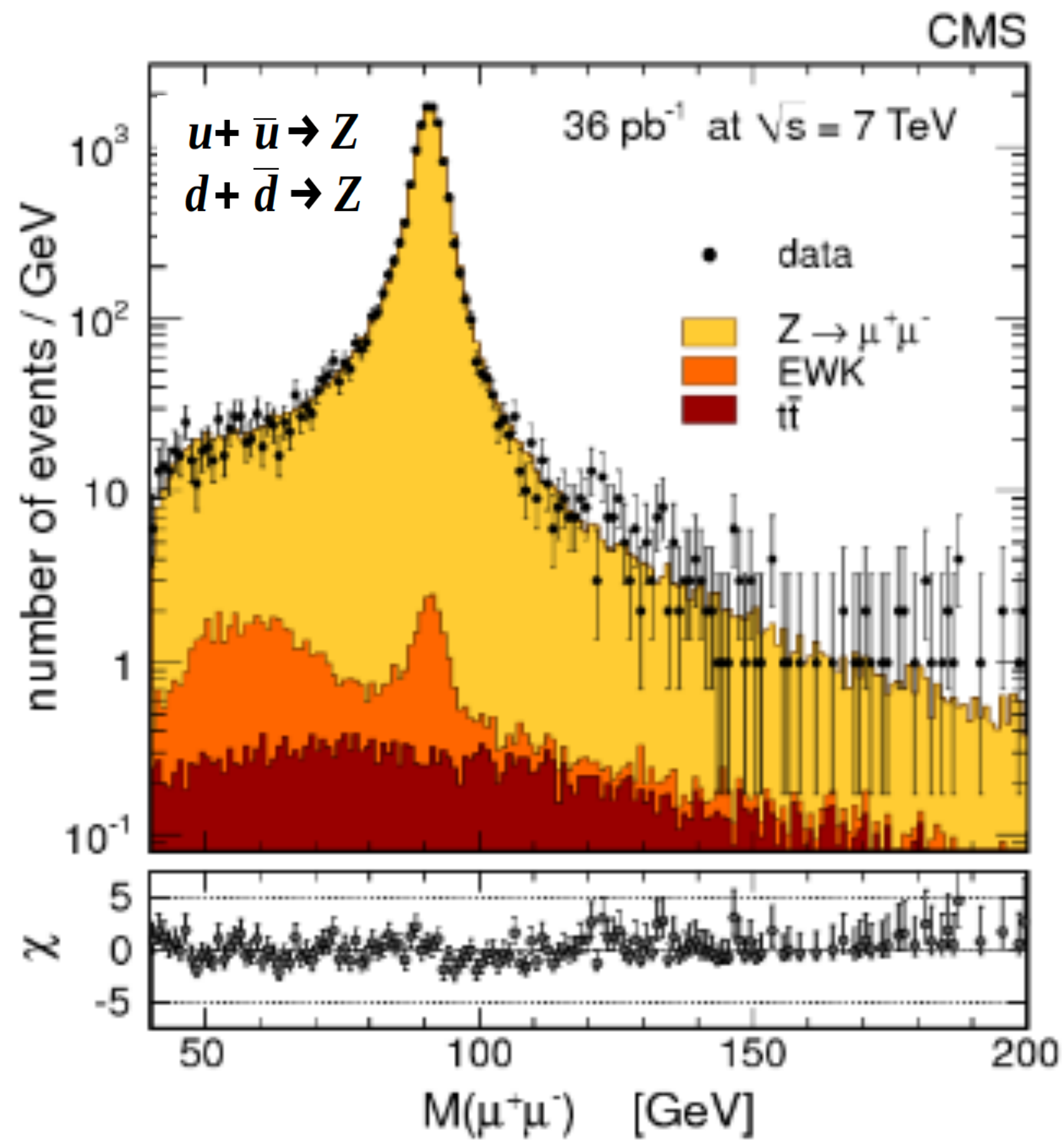
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- Measuring their properties accurately
  - limits of our knowledge of the SM



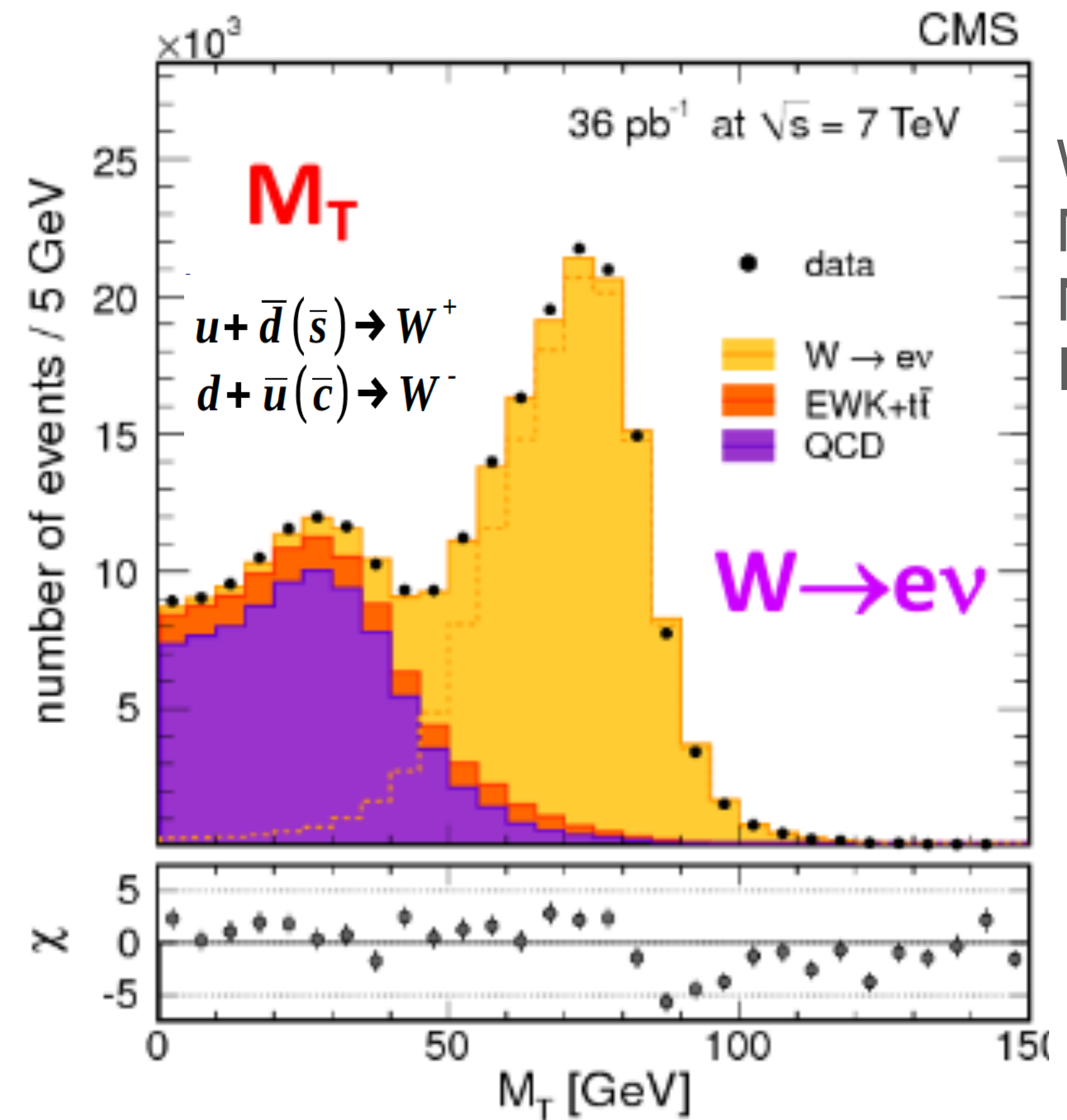


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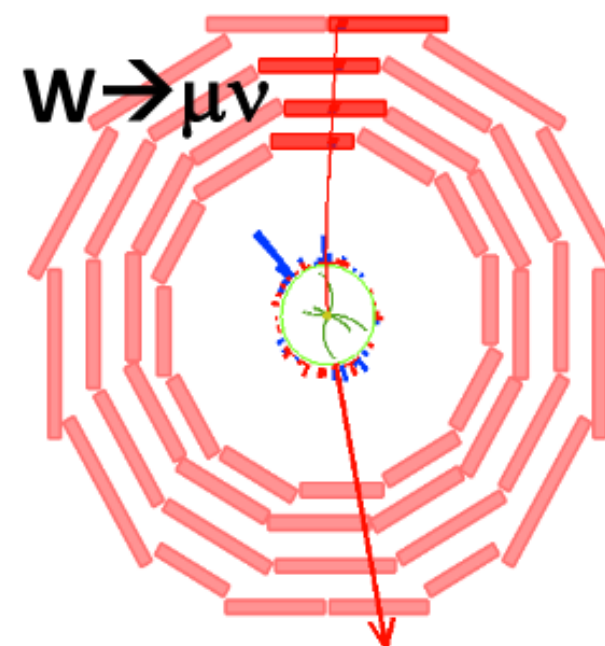
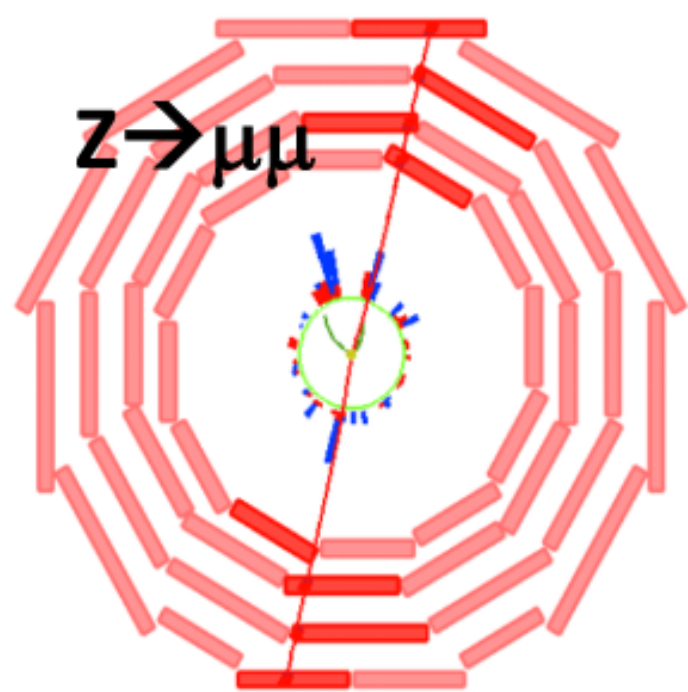
Z:  
All the information is there in Mu/Ele channels



$$M^2 = 2p_T(\ell_1)p_T(\ell_2)(\cosh \Delta\eta_{12} - \cos \Delta\phi_{12})$$



W:  
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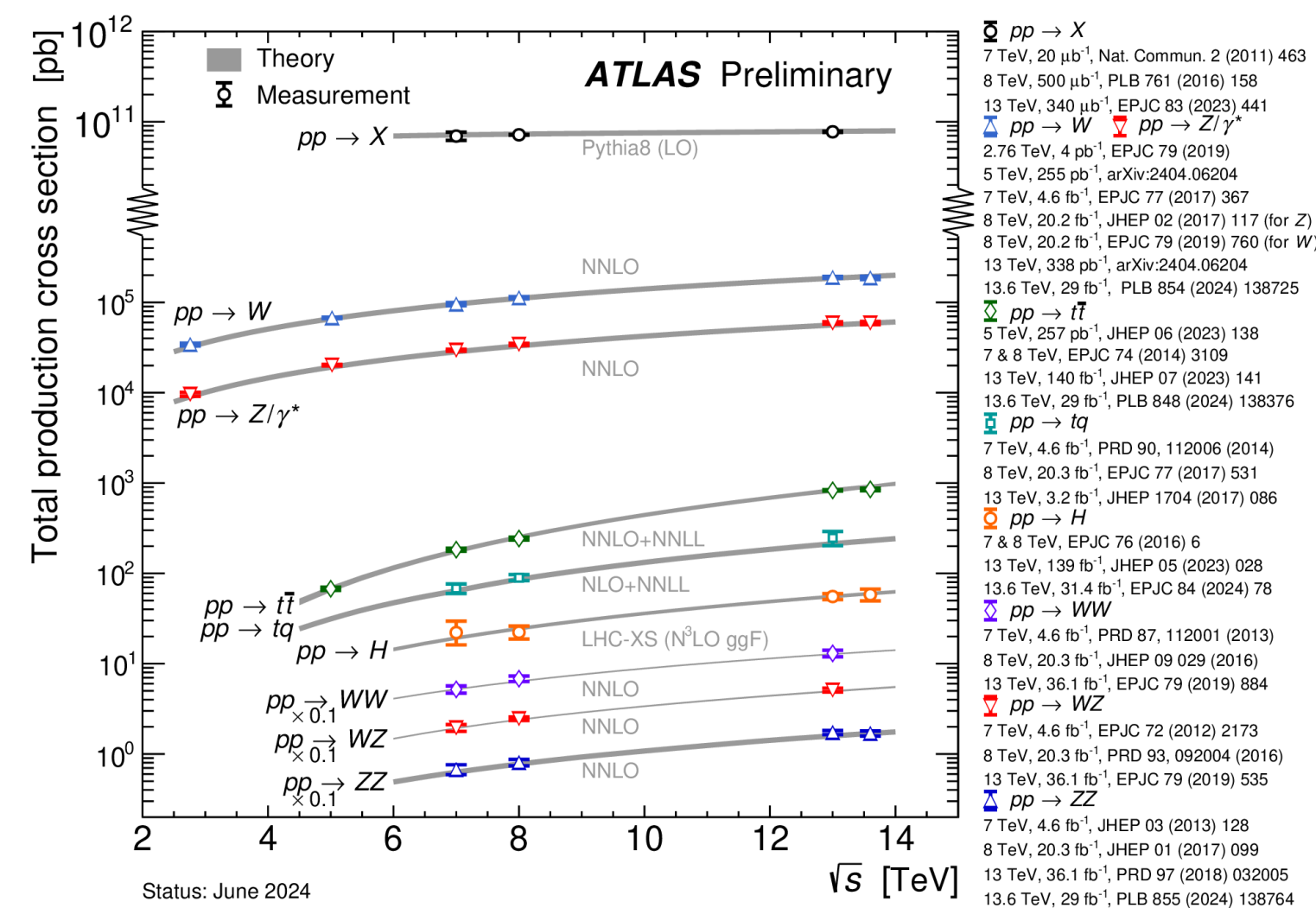
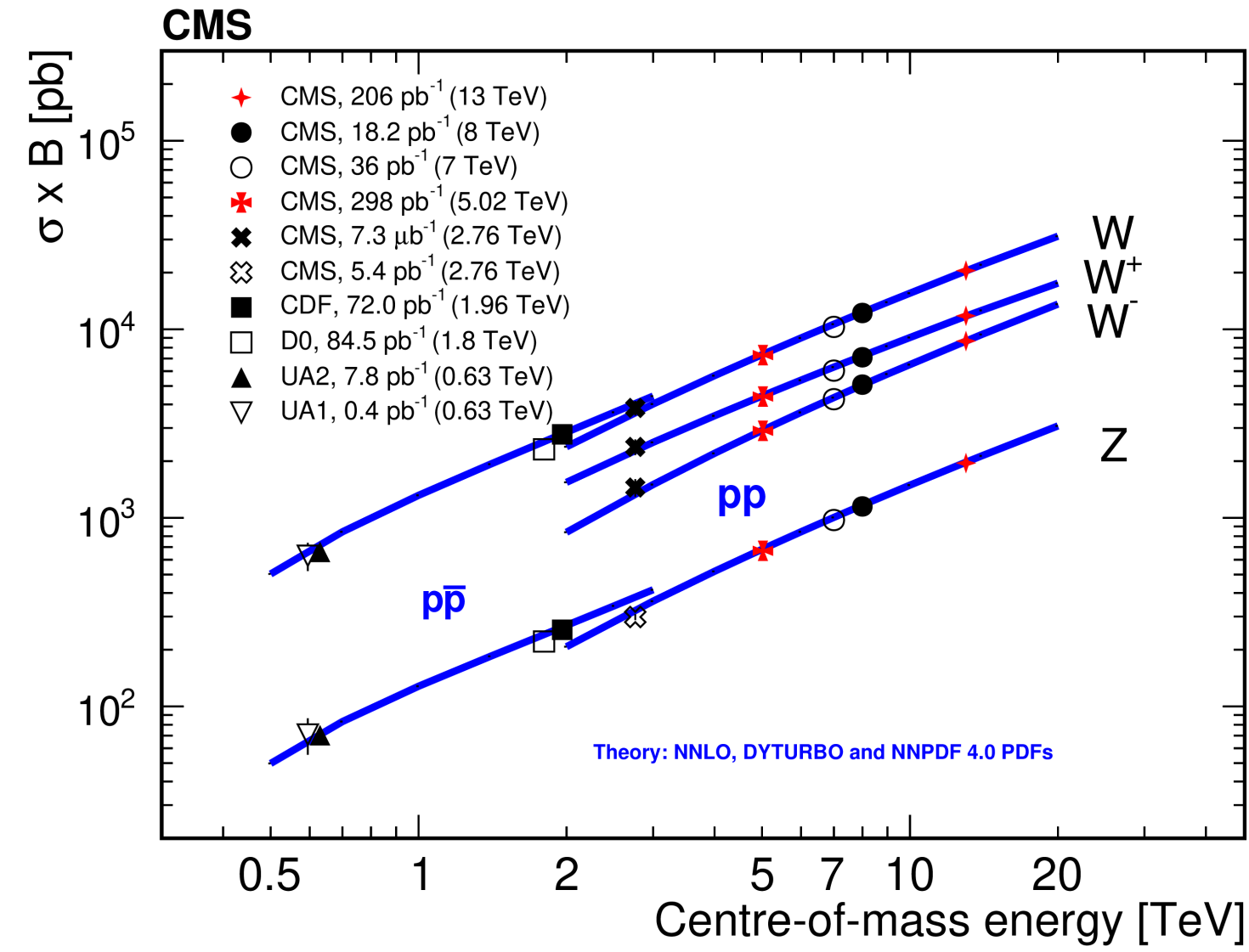


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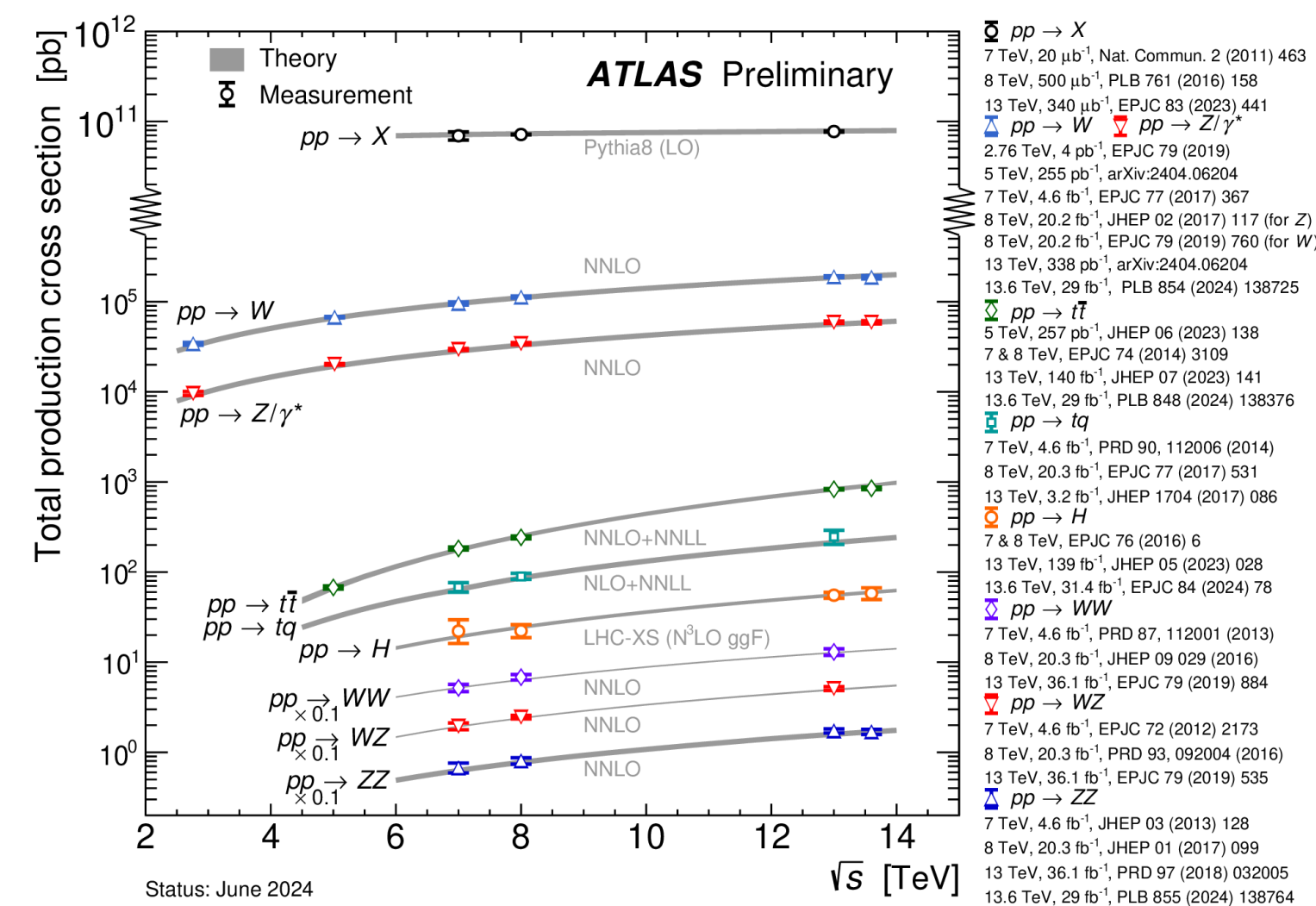
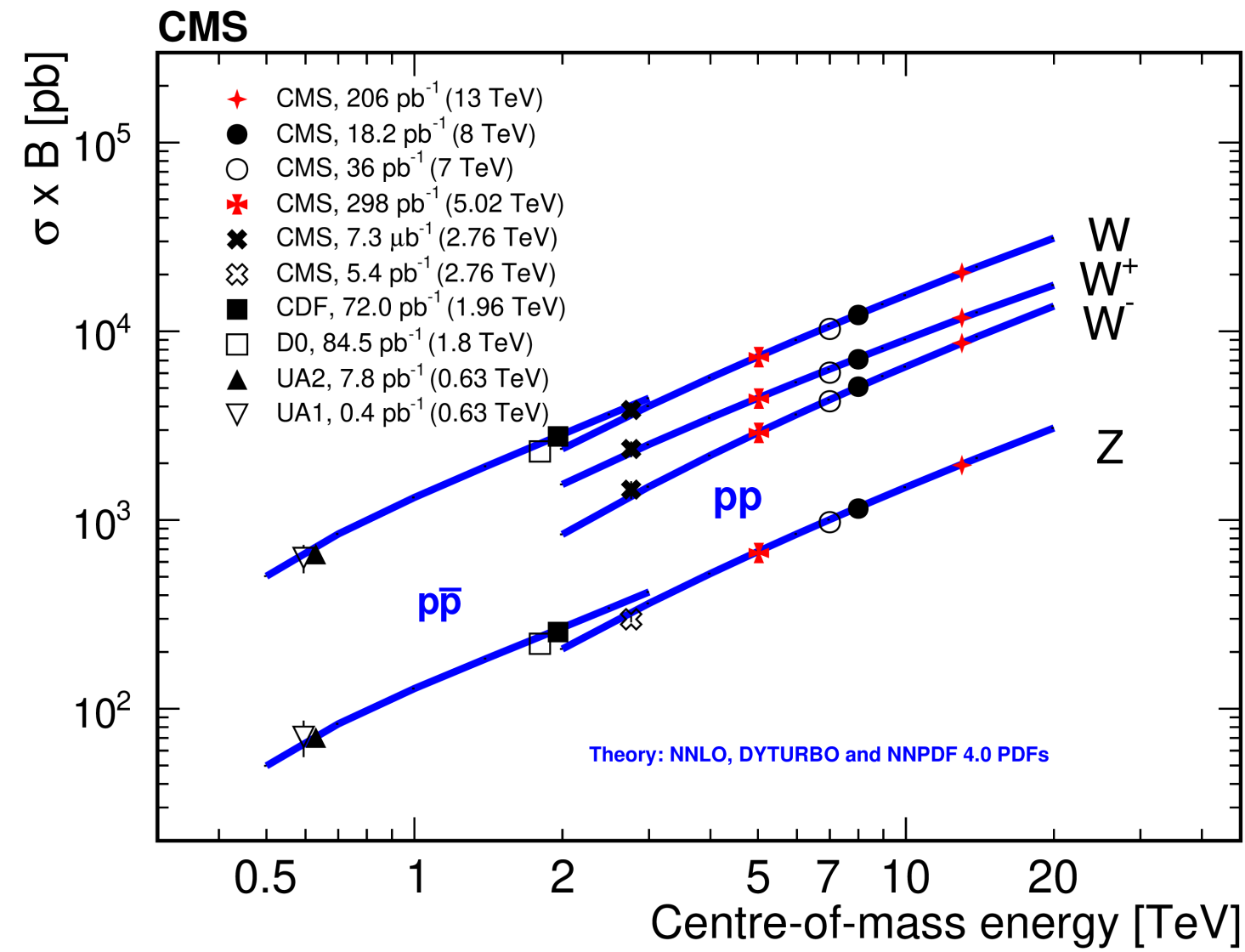
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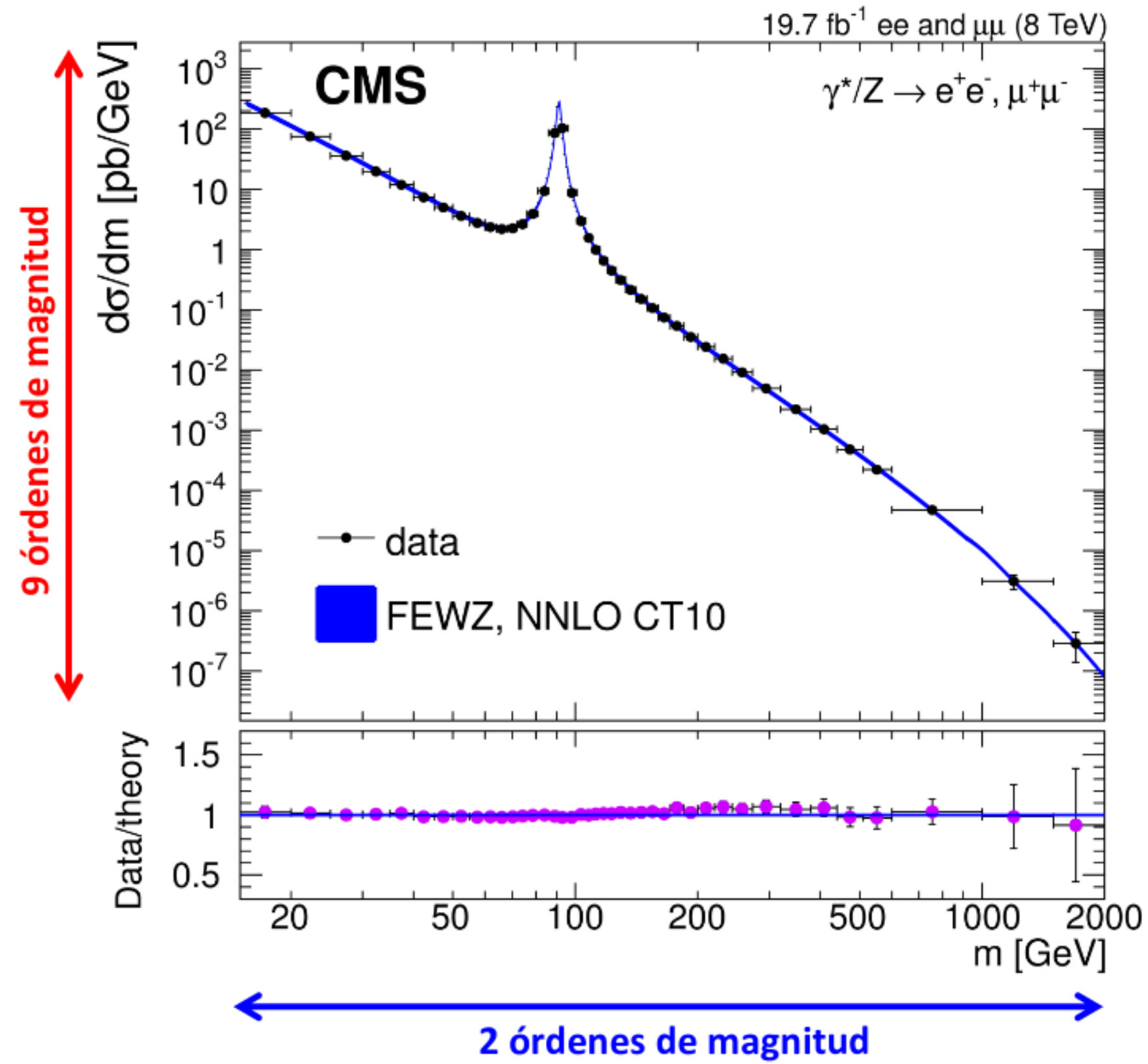


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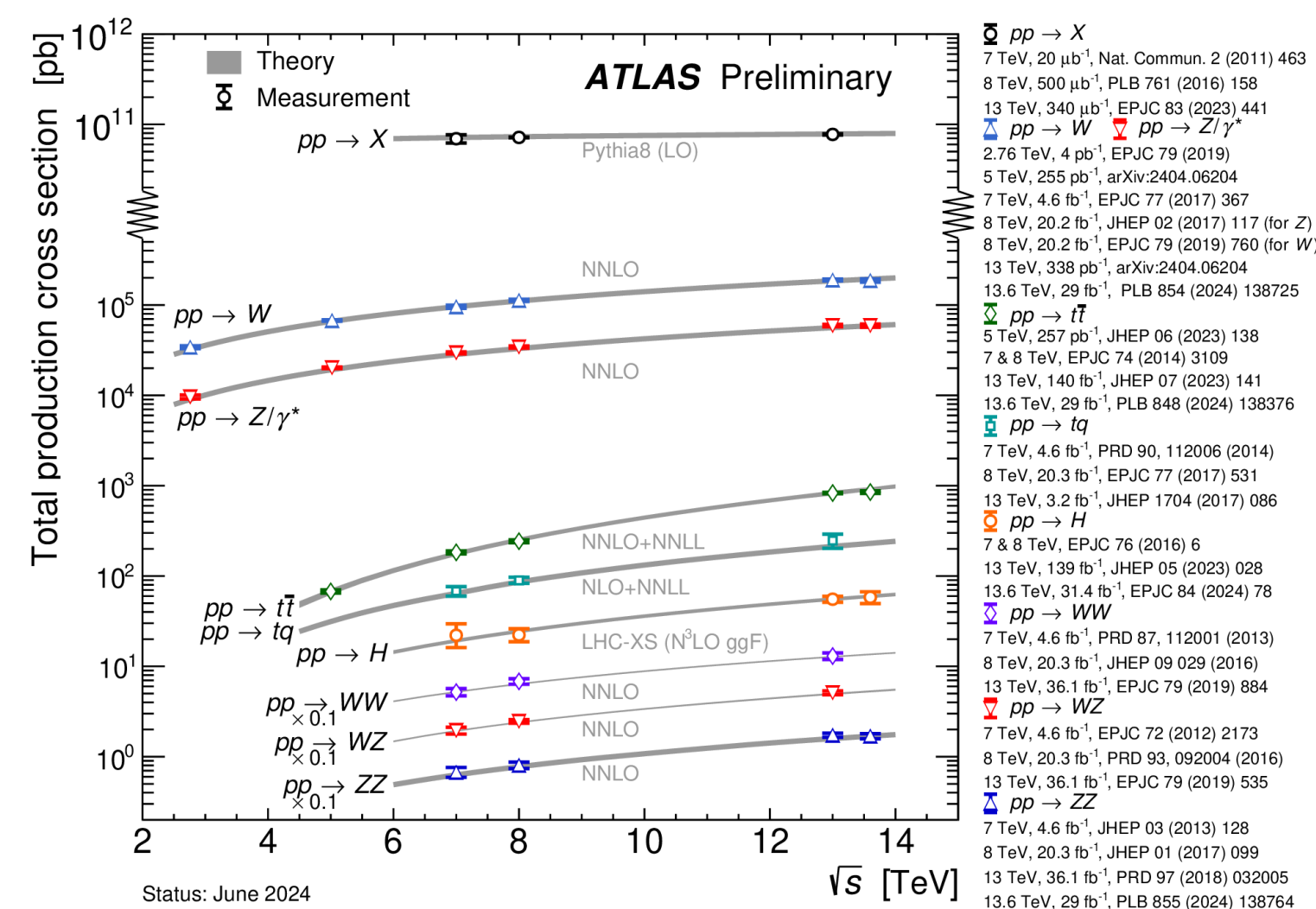
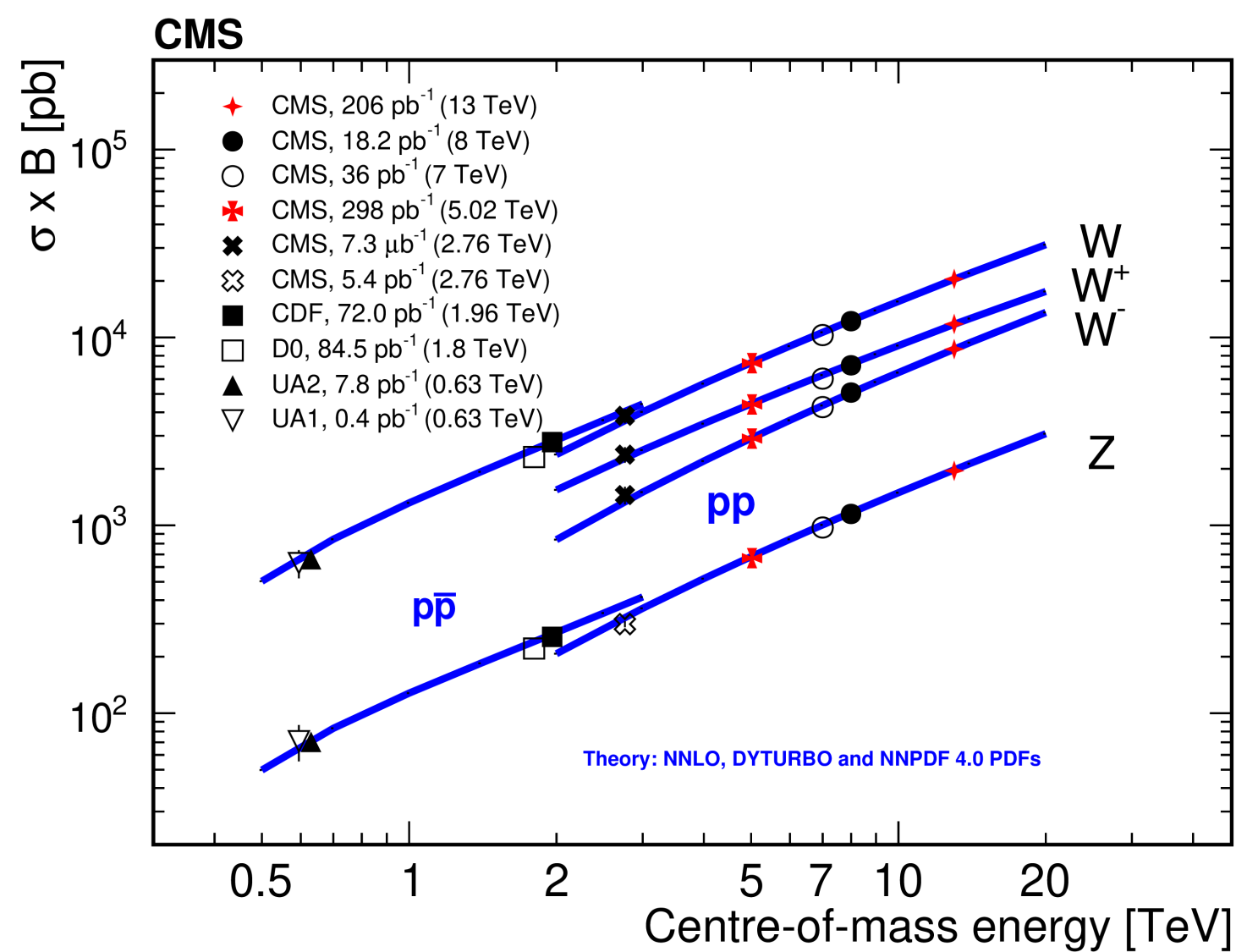
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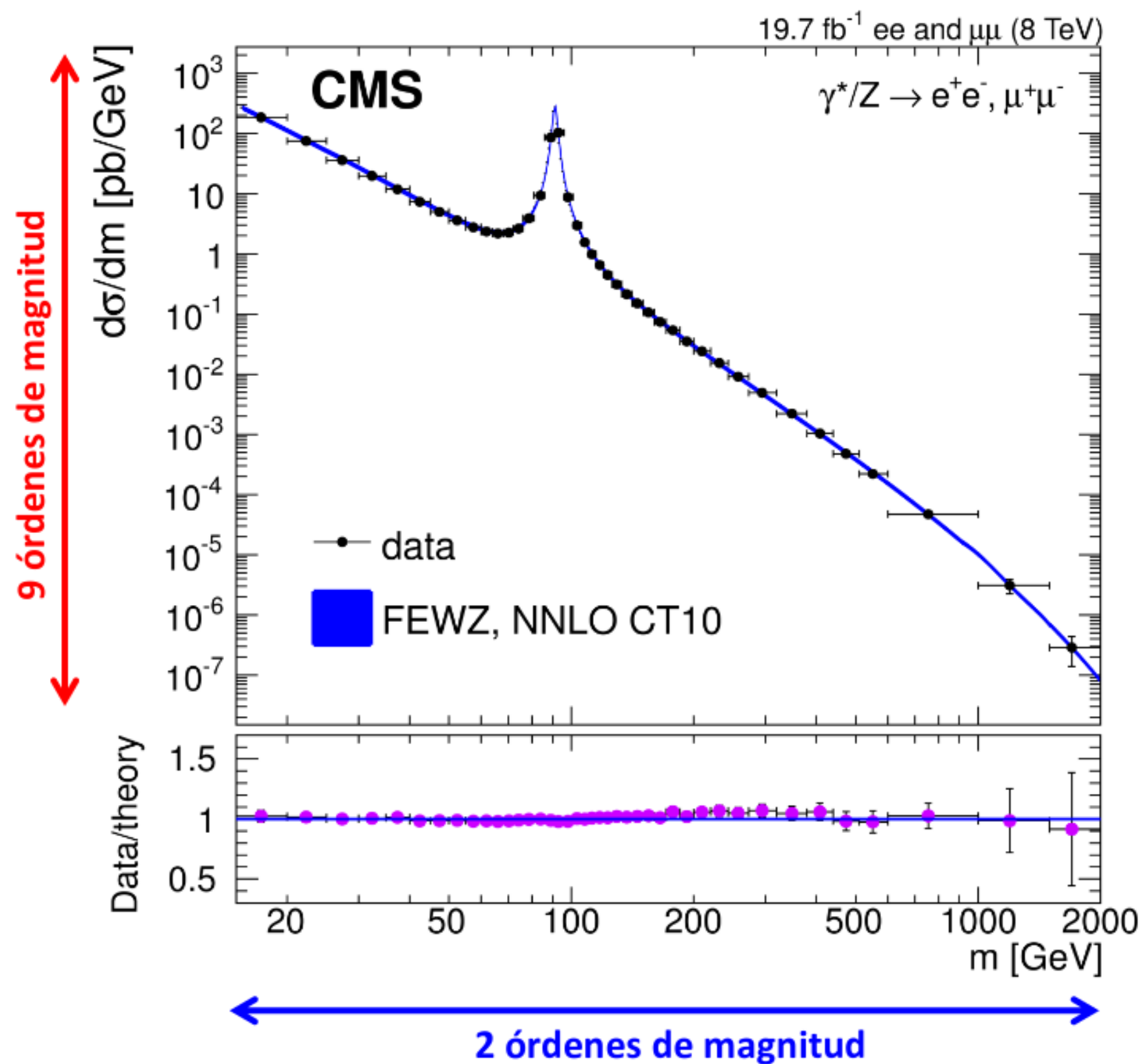


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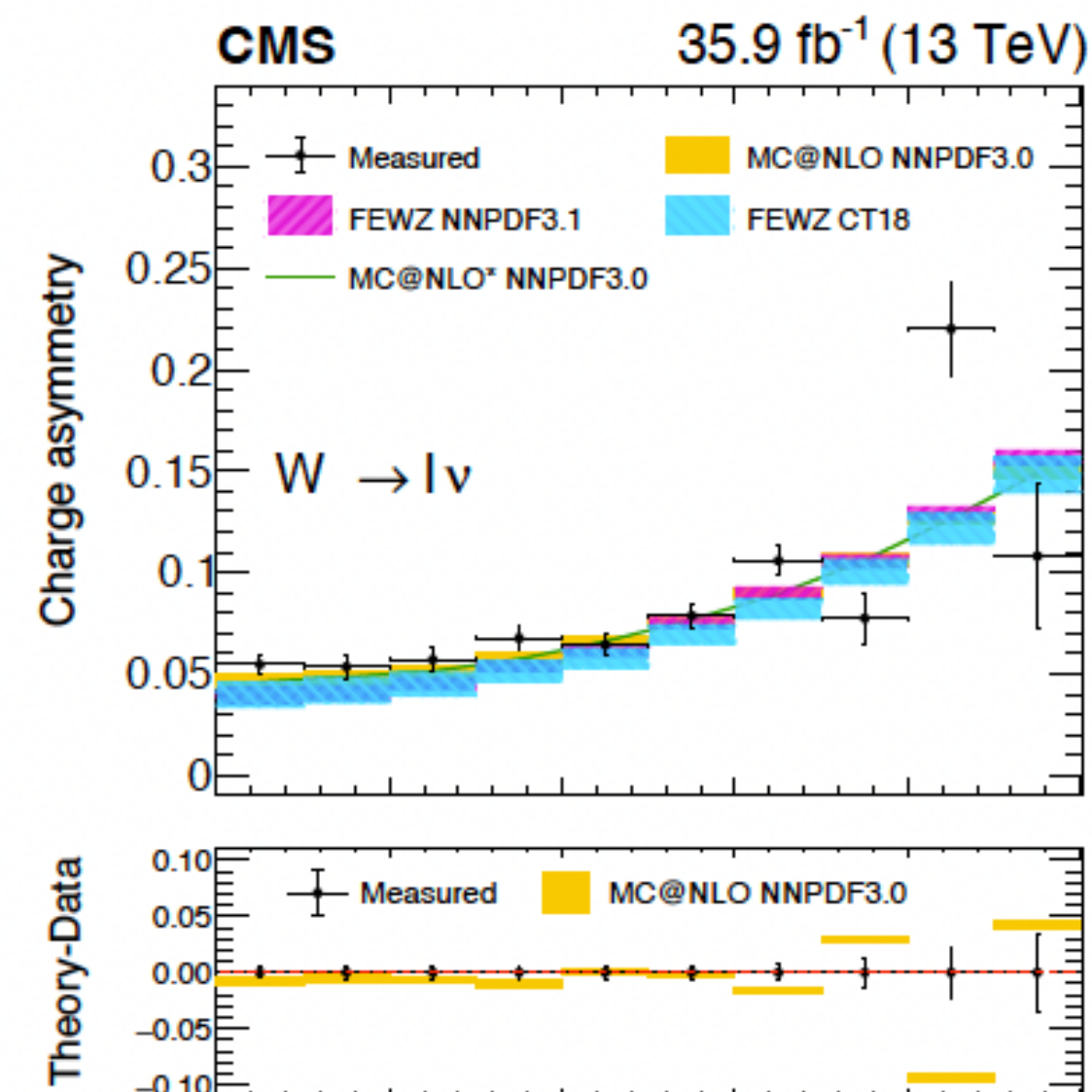
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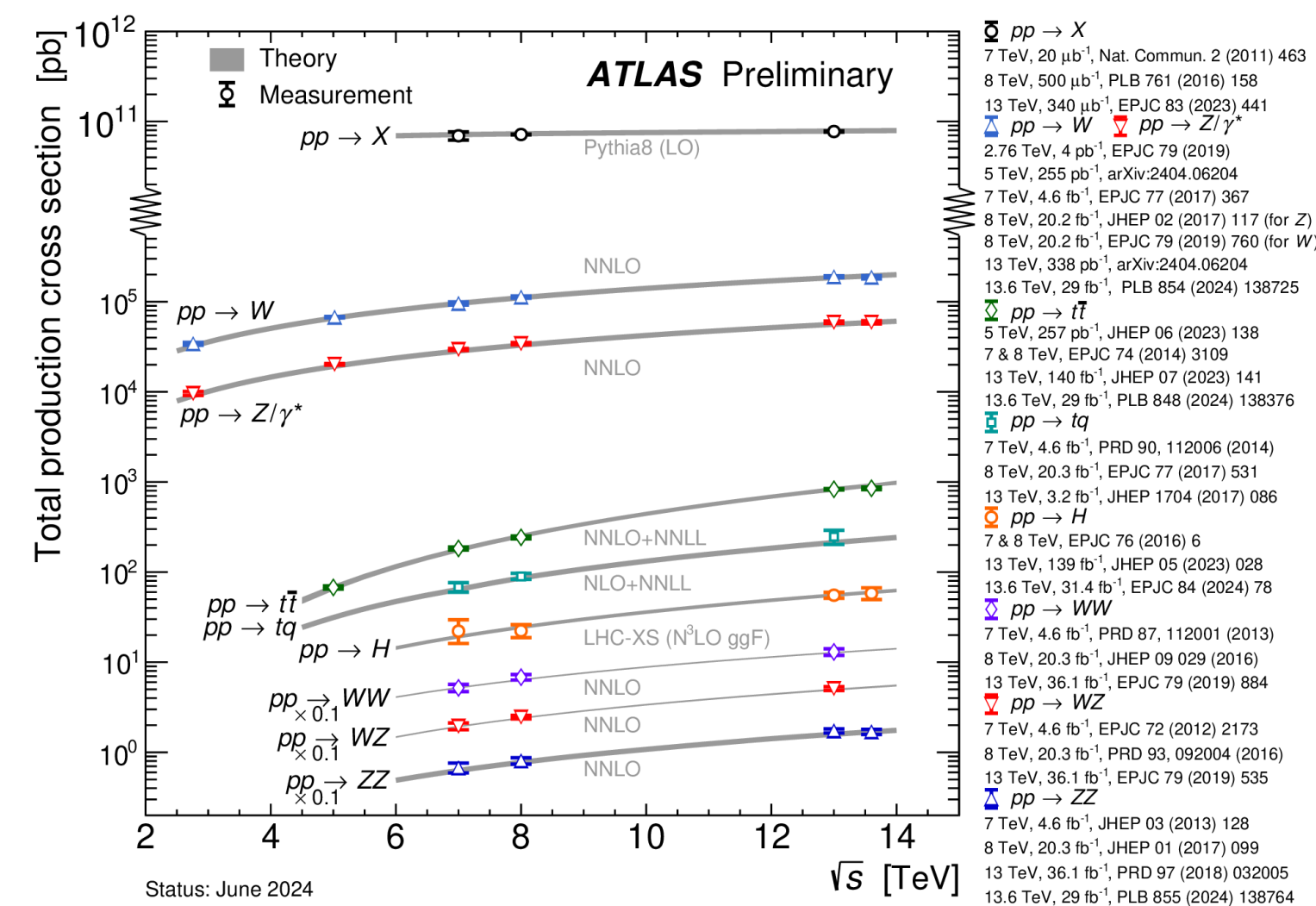
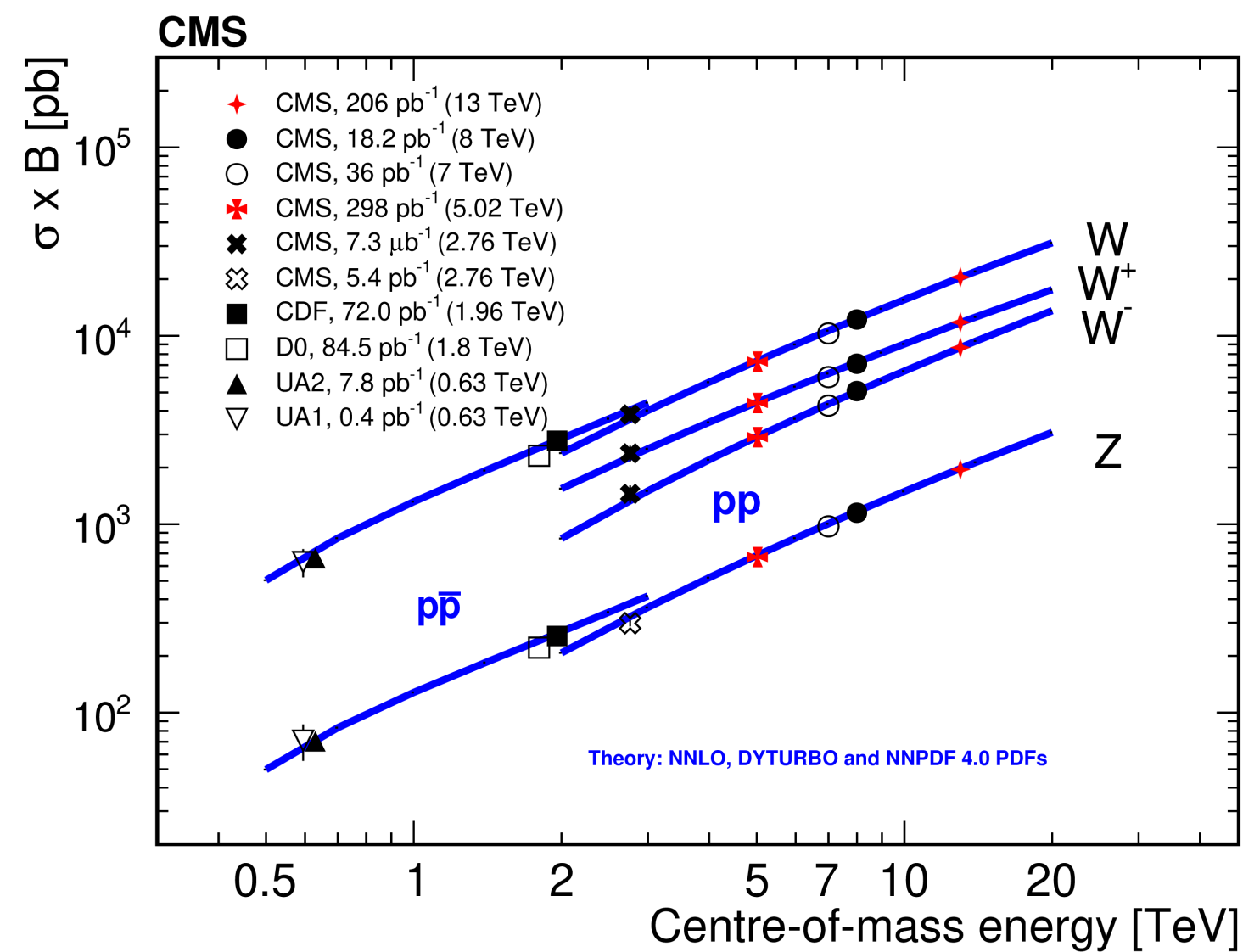
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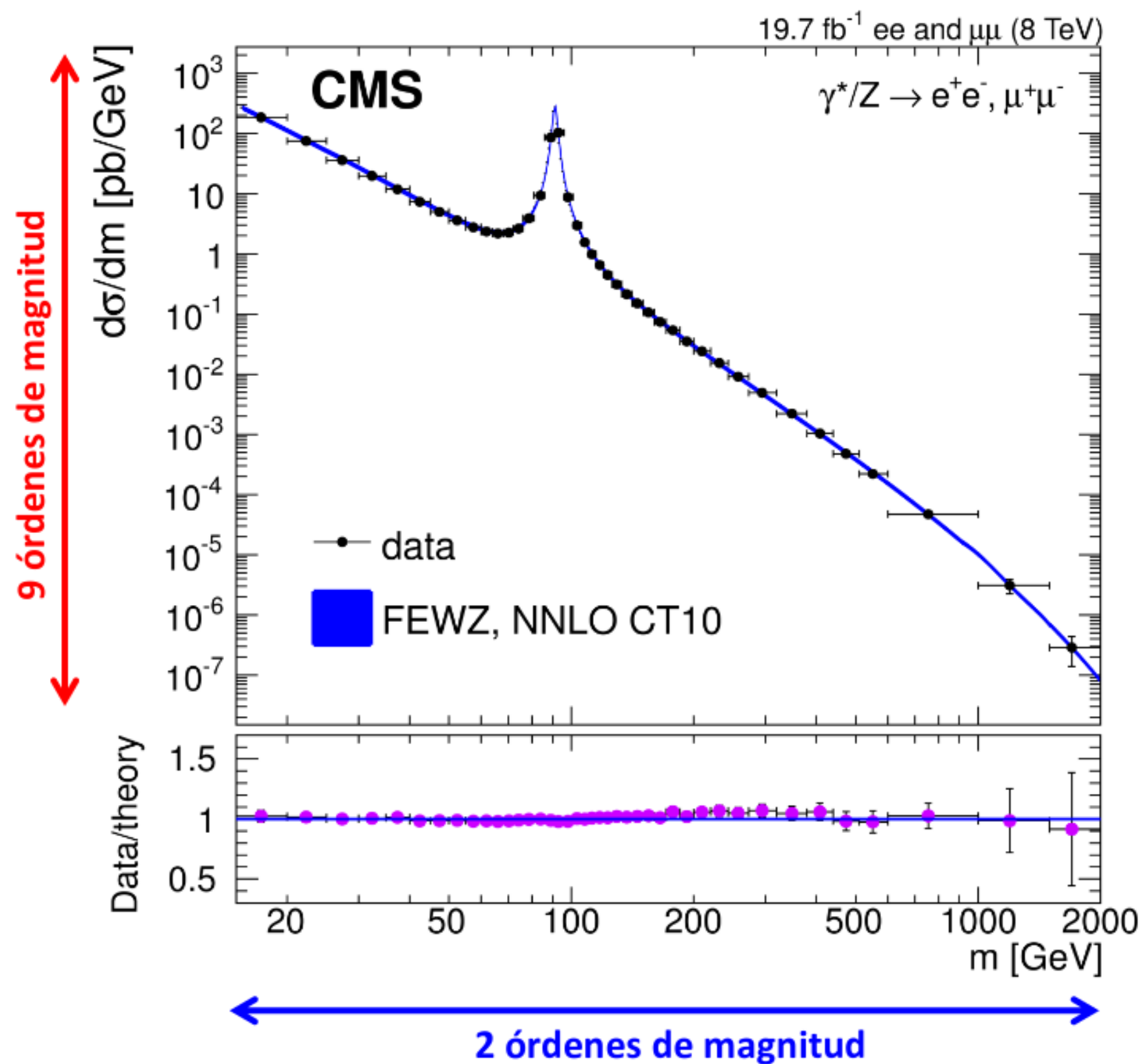


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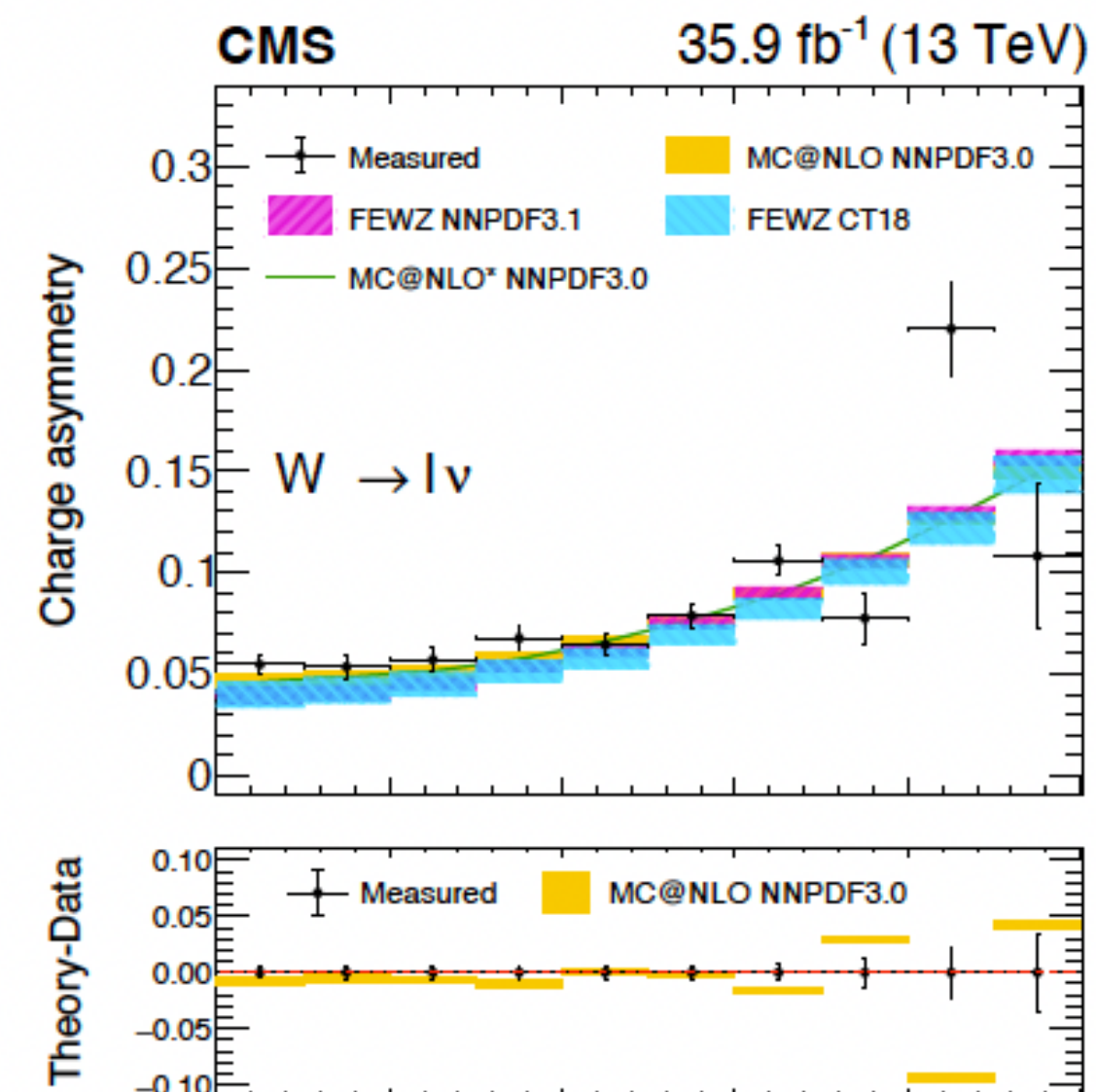
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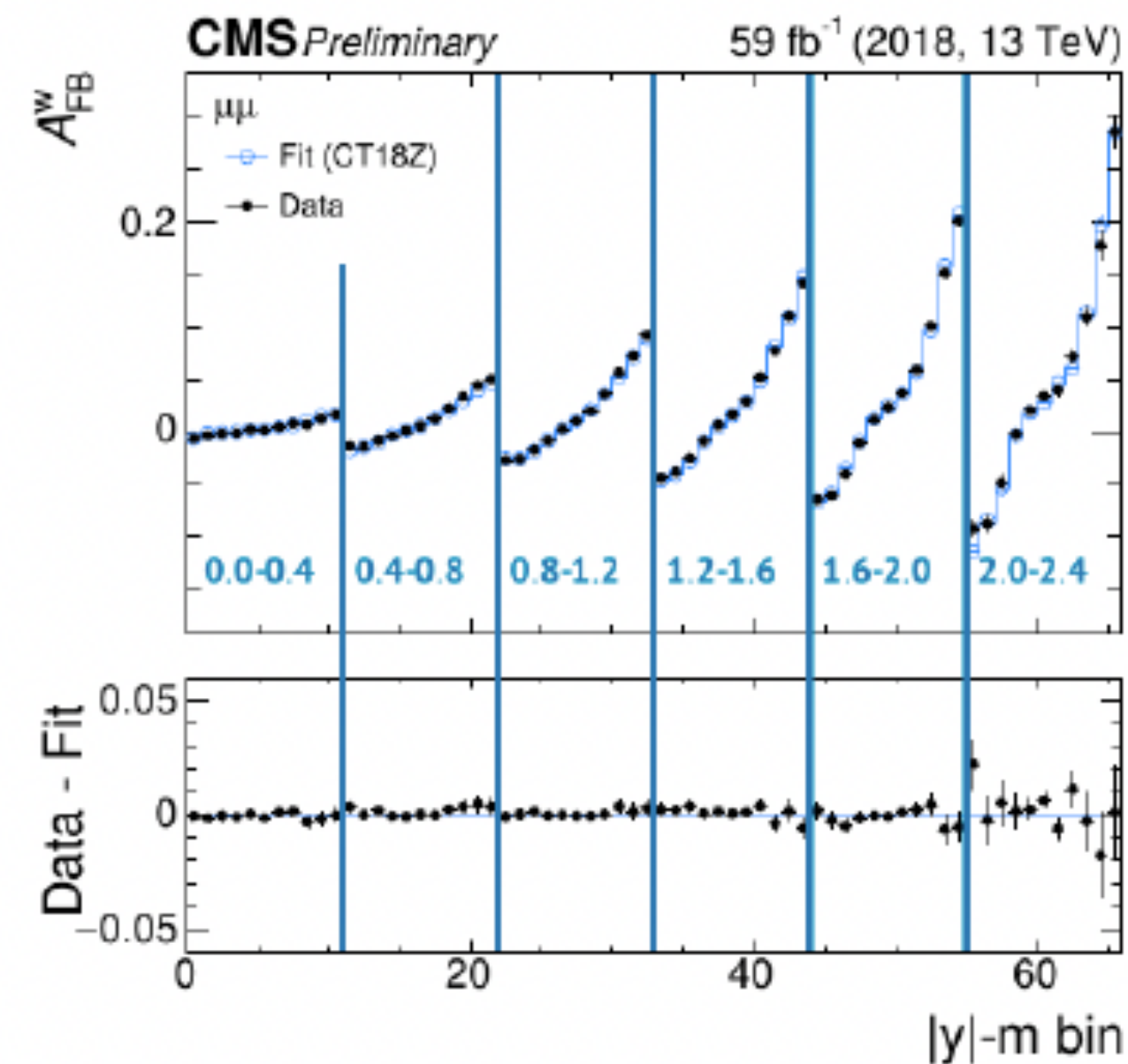
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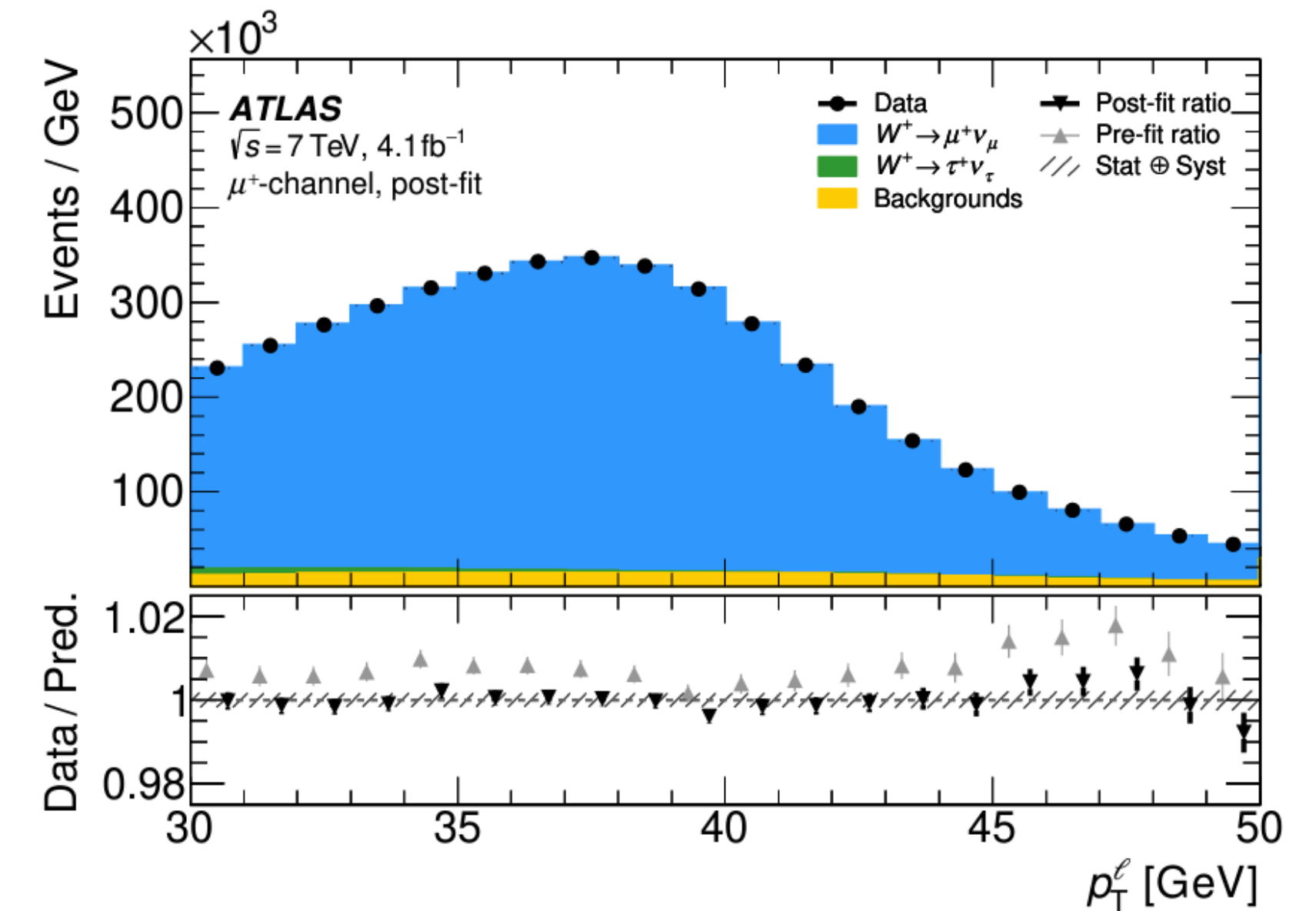
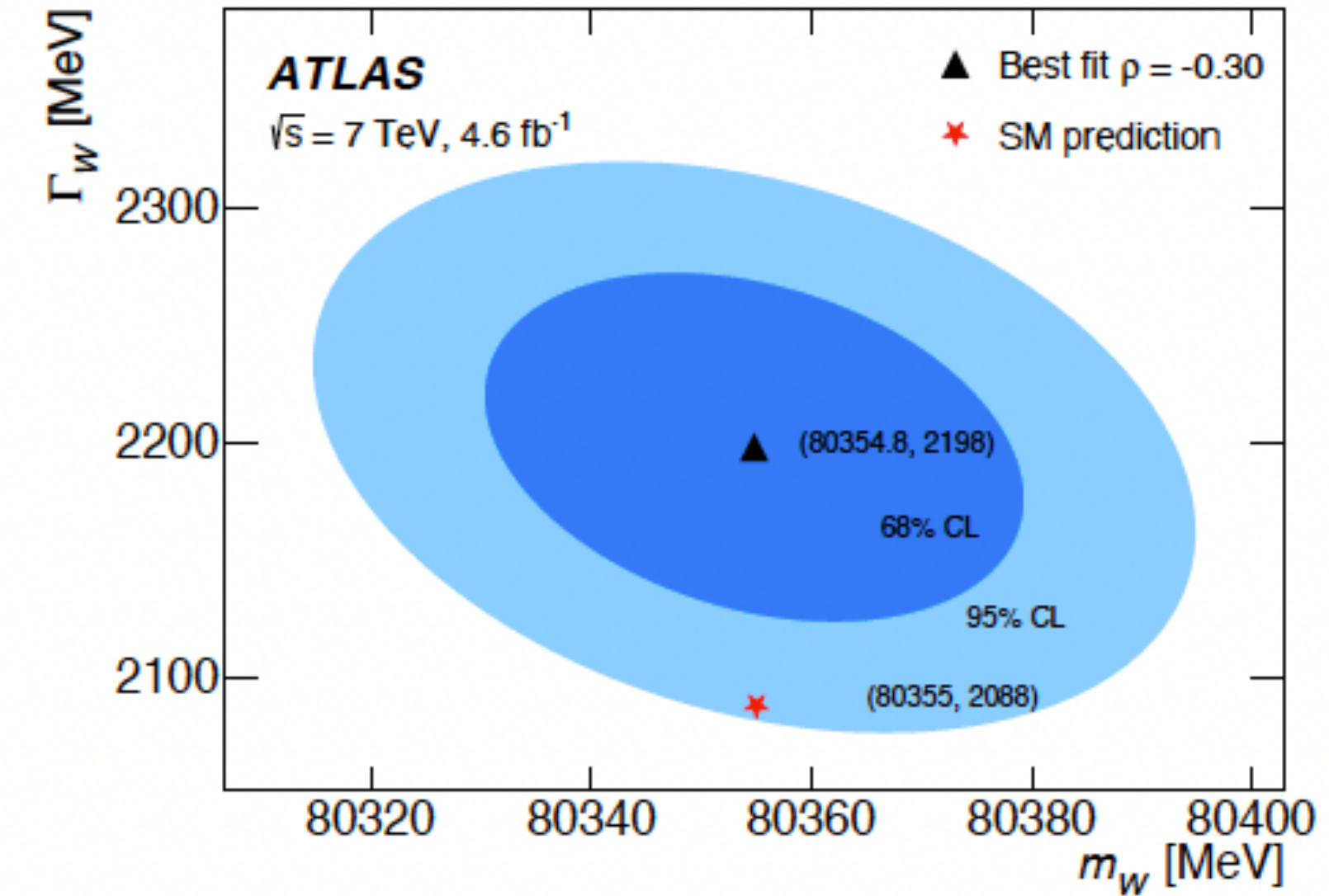
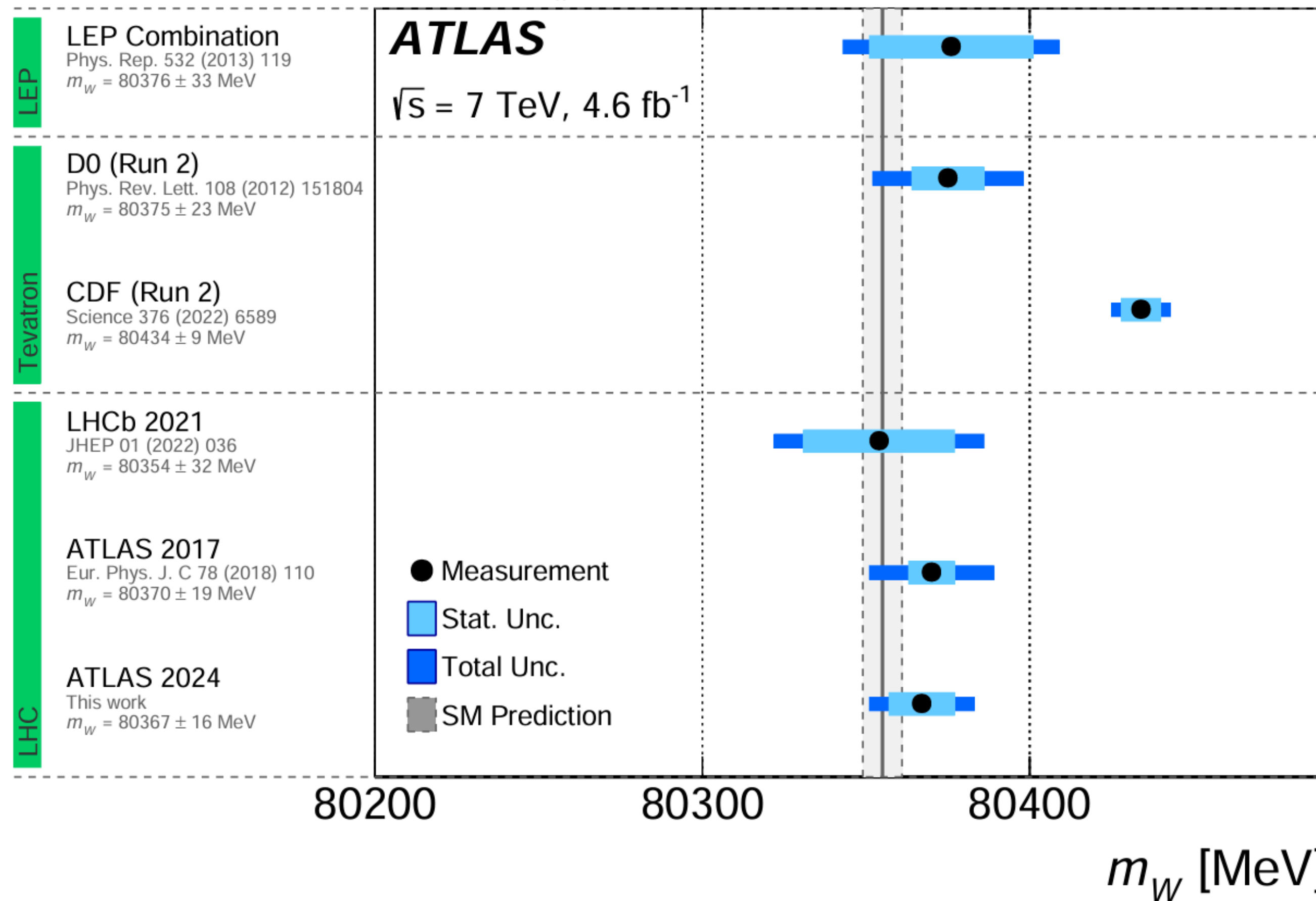
## sin<sup>2</sup>θ<sub>eff</sub> from Forward-Backward in Z





# W MASS AND WIDTH?

Overview of  $m_W$  measurements

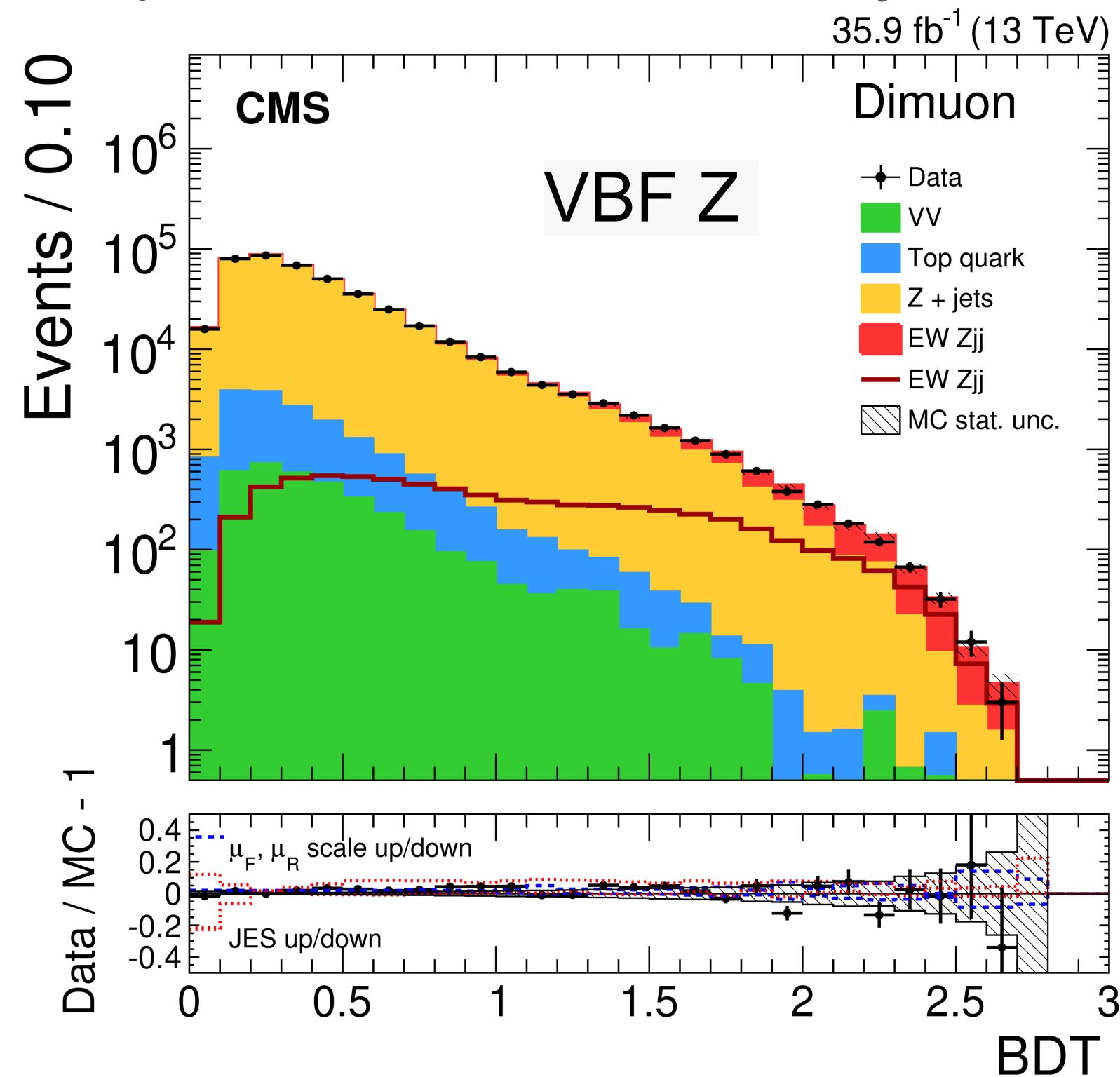
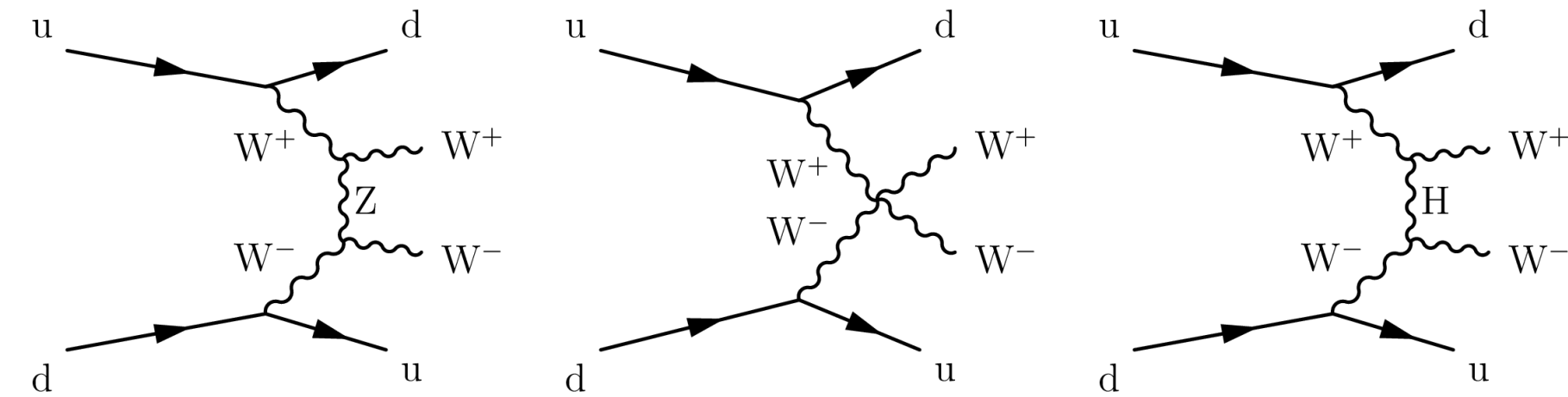


Even years after discovery, properly understanding the properties of  $W$ s and  $Z$ s is an ongoing effort: fundamental for the SM  
 Note how the small the uncertainties need to be! High precision required: very thorough understanding of uncertainties (eg: momentum scale and PDFs) a must



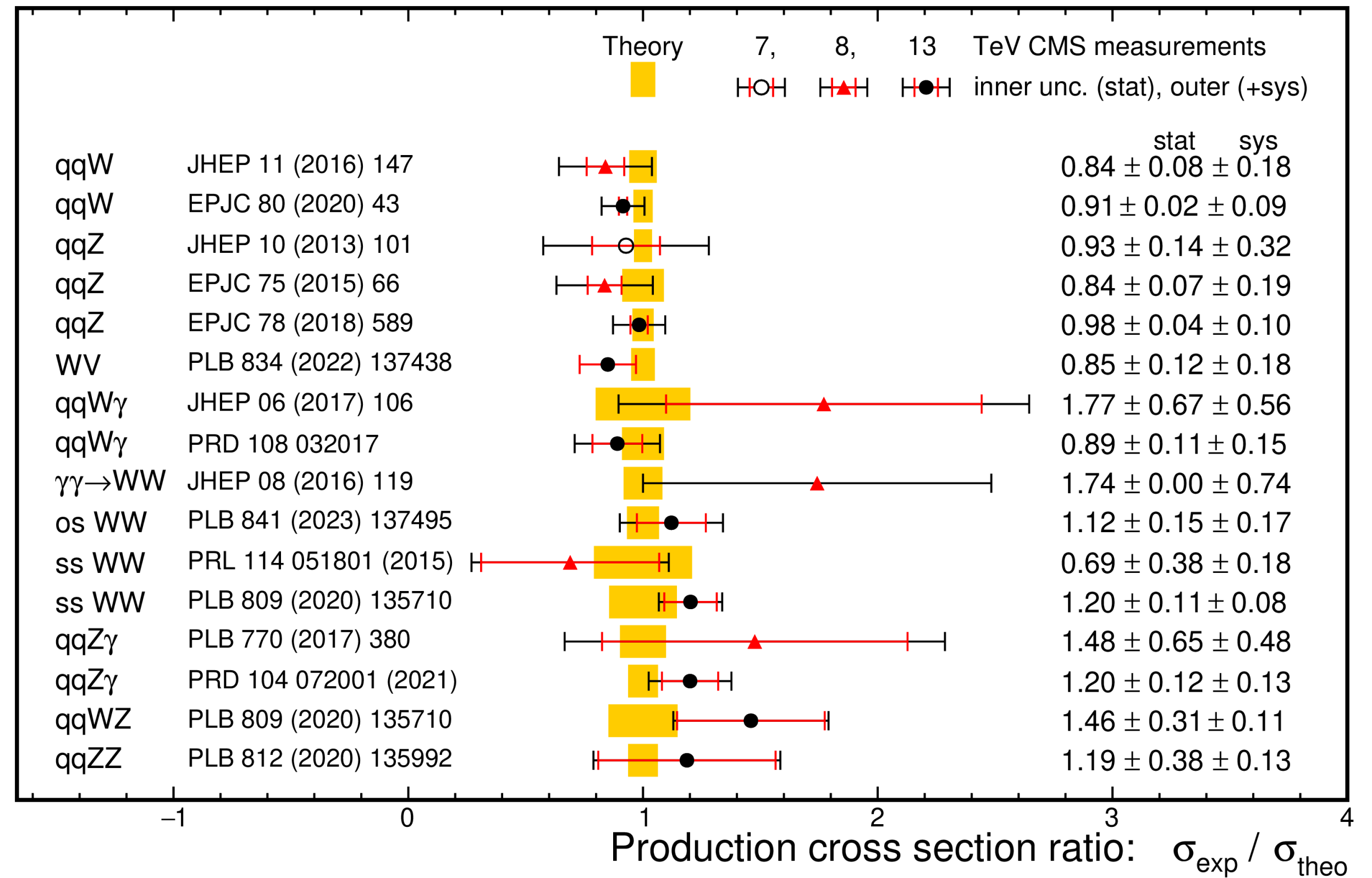
# RARE PROCESSES: VECTOR BOSON SCATTERING

- The LHC experiments explore production beyond the basics: V+Jets, V+HF, Di and Triboson production...
- And ElectroWeak Production:
  - Bosons are radiated off incoming quarks and either fuse to a single boson (VBF) or scatter to pairs of bosons (VBS) : essential test of the EW sector of the SM. Probe of TGCs
  - Rare processes: statistics is key



EW measurements vs. theory

CMS





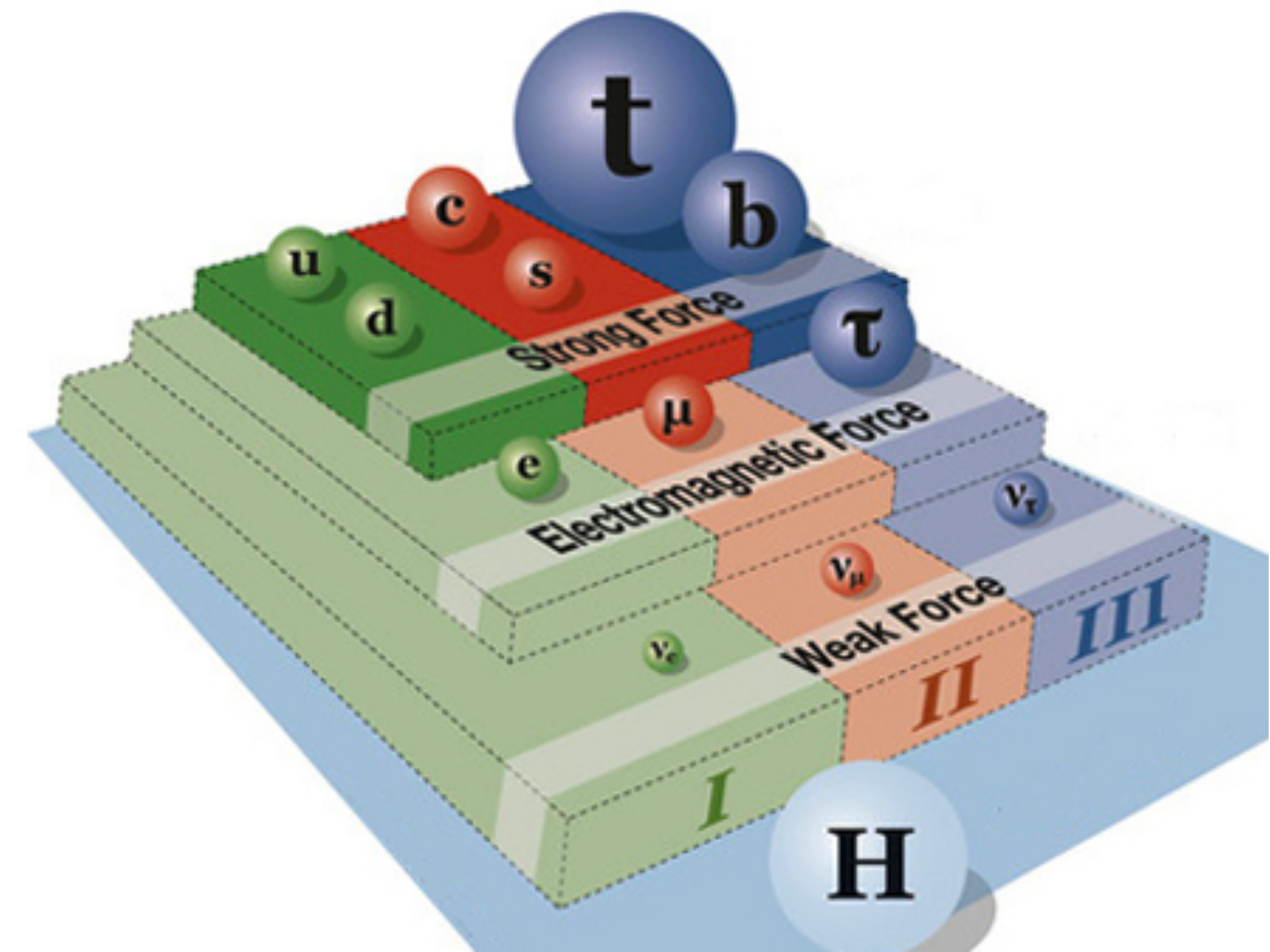
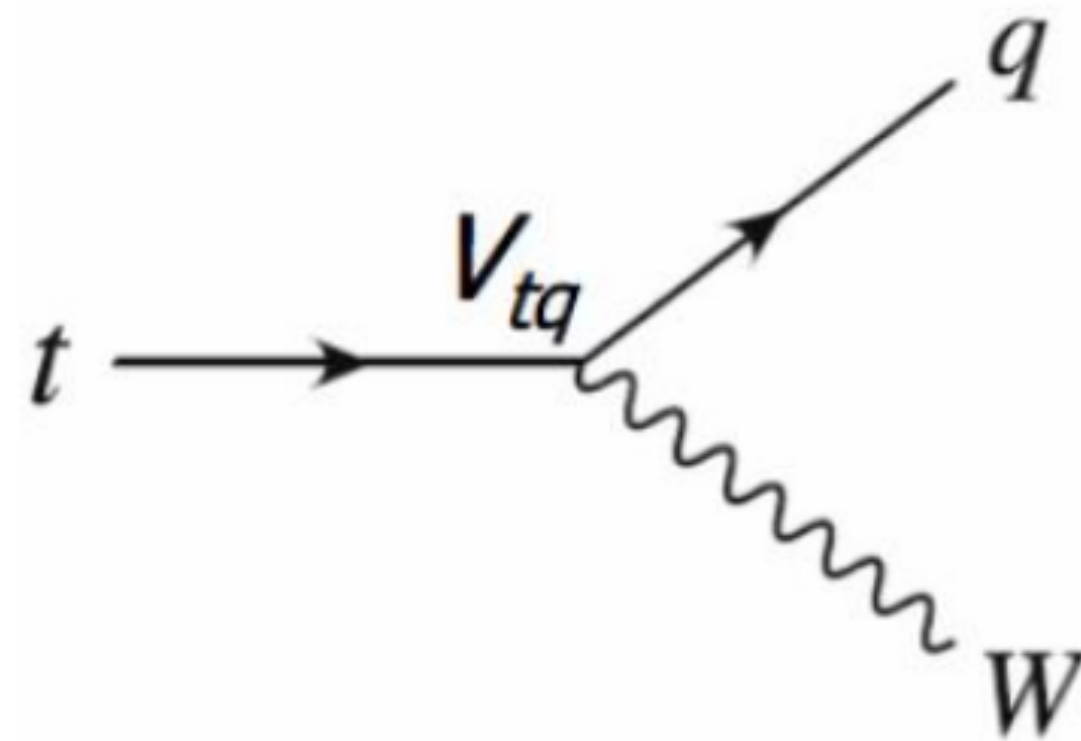
# TOP QUARK PHYSICS

The most massive elementary particle ever discovered: this makes it a very special quark with an extensive study programme dedicated to understanding its characteristics

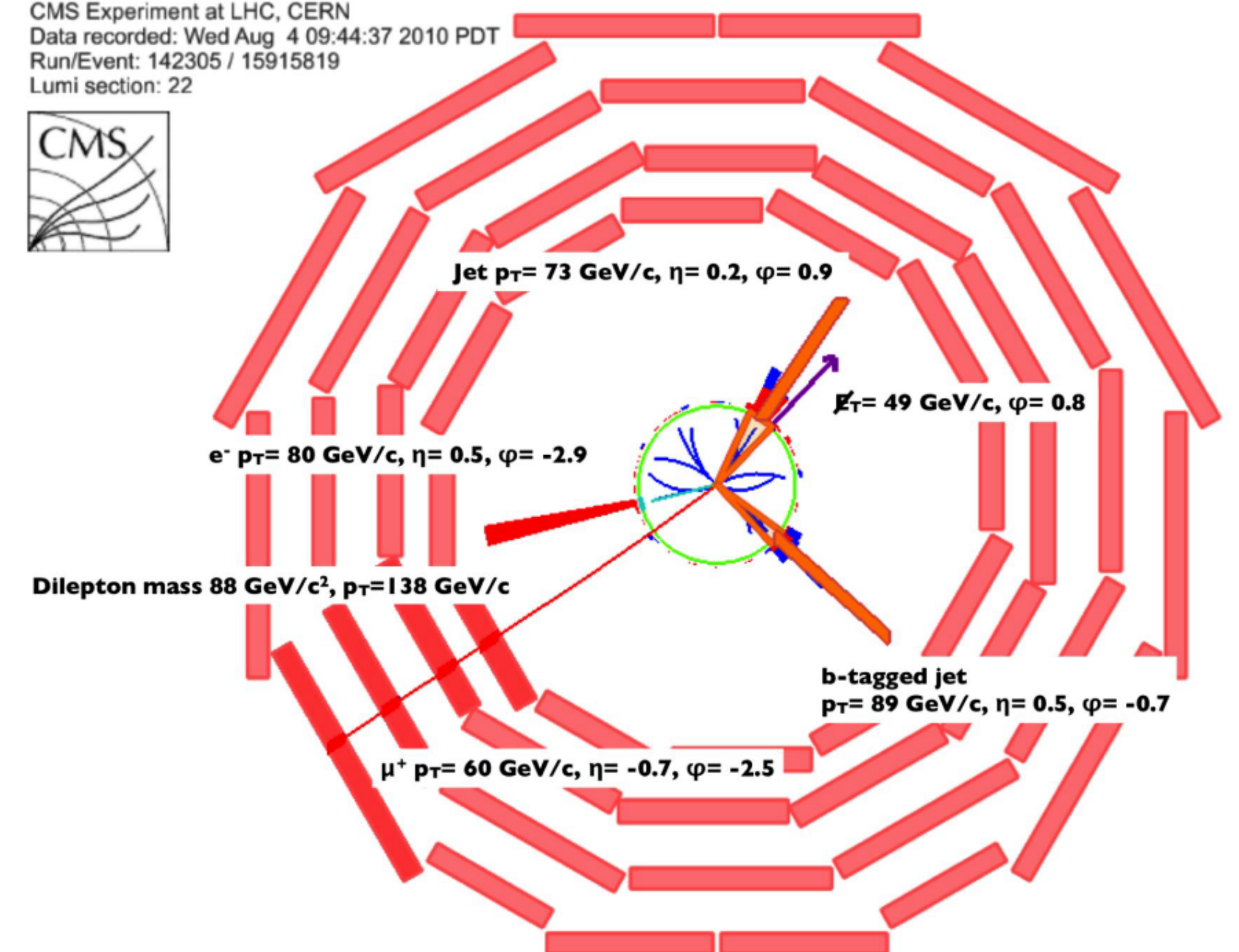
It is the only quark that we can observe directly (it decays before having hadronisation, fully dominated by  $t \rightarrow Wb$ )

Test of QCD

Gateway to new physics?



CMS Experiment at LHC, CERN  
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The LHC is a 'Top Factory'

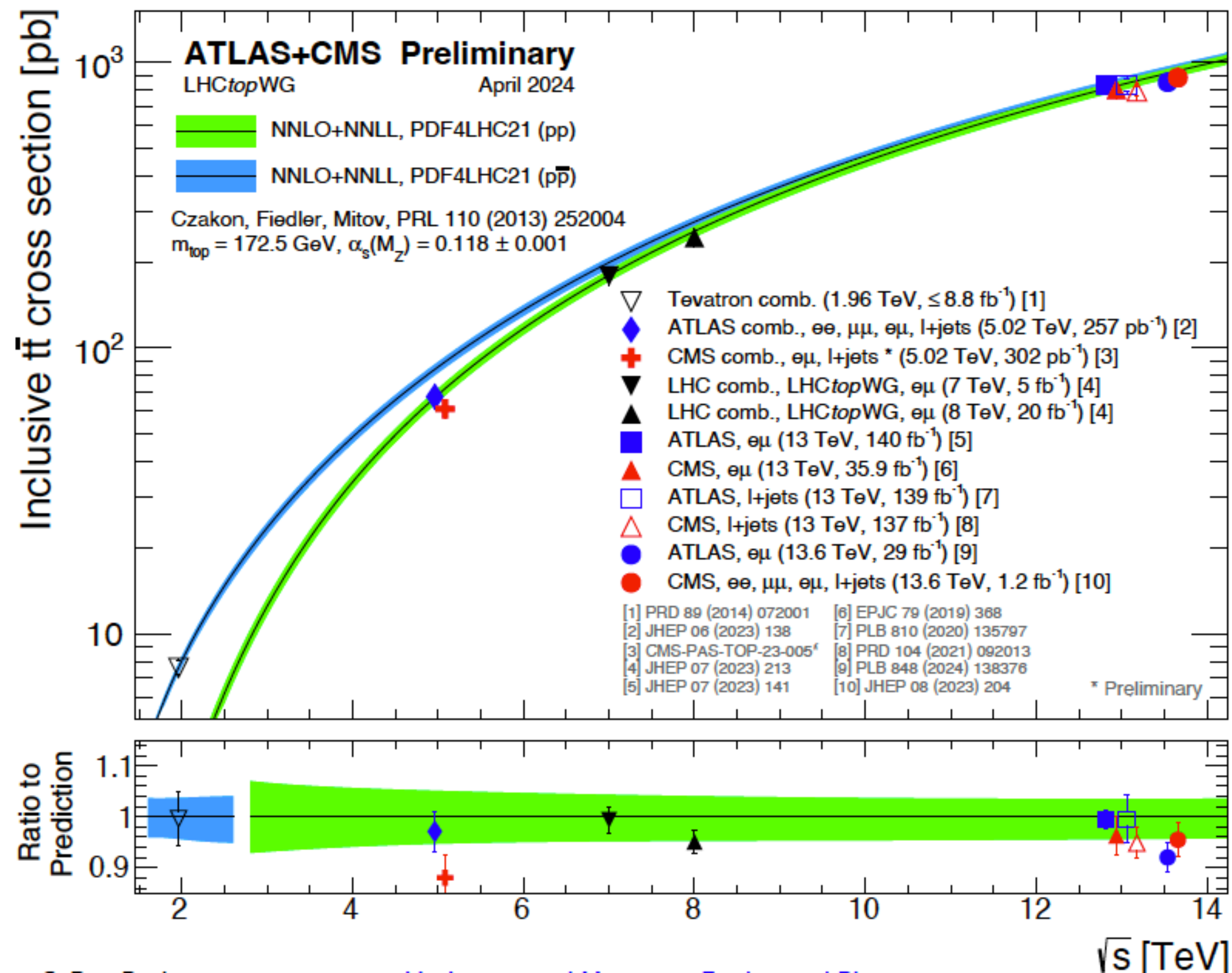


# WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM THE TOP?

- Probe structure the standard model through the measurement of intrinsic properties of the top: any deviation would be a hint of new physics Top mass, top width
  - Differential analysis
  - $qq \rightarrow tt$  forward-backward asymmetries (very small in the SM)
  - Top polarization (SM expectations: 0 in  $tt$ , very large in single-top production)
  - Spin correlations between top and antitop in top-pair events: sign of any additional contributions beyond the SM ?
  - $Wtb$  vertex structure: any anomalies ?
  - Associated production:  $tt+\gamma$ ,  $tt+Z$ ,  $t\bar{t}t$ ,  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ , ...  $\rightarrow$  background to many new physics searches, sensitive to new physics by themselves
  - Rare decays: Flavor Changing Neutral Currents (FCNC), which are extremely suppressed in the SM ( $t \rightarrow Z+c$ ,  $t \rightarrow Z+u$ ,  $t \rightarrow \gamma+c$ ,  $t \rightarrow \gamma+u$ , ...), ...

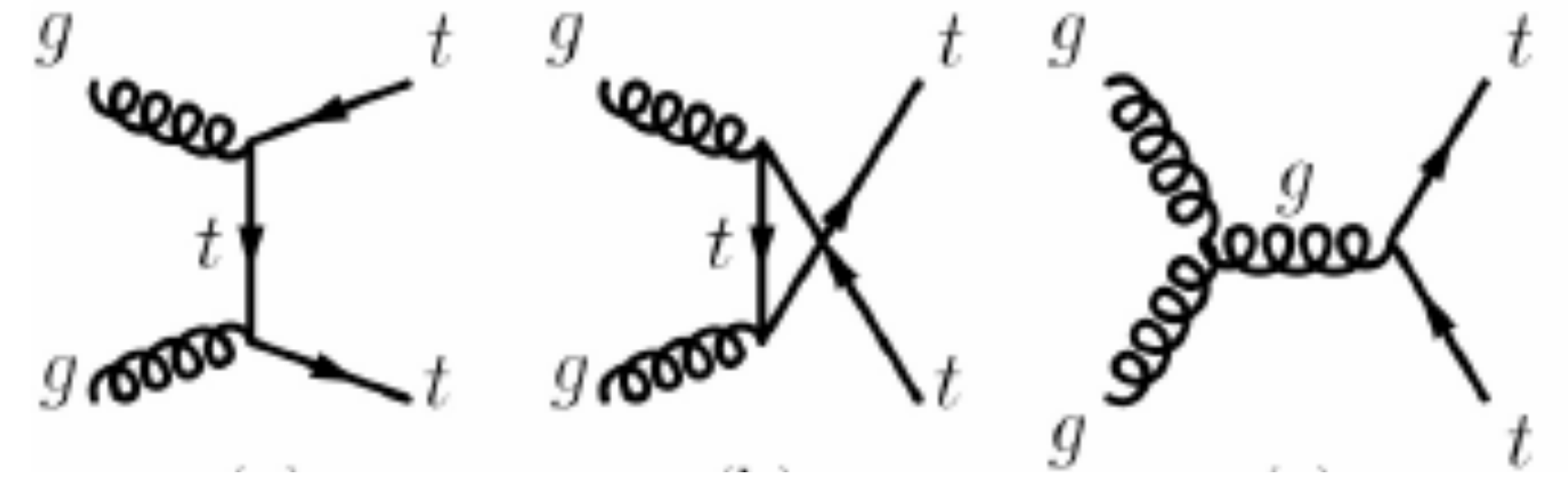
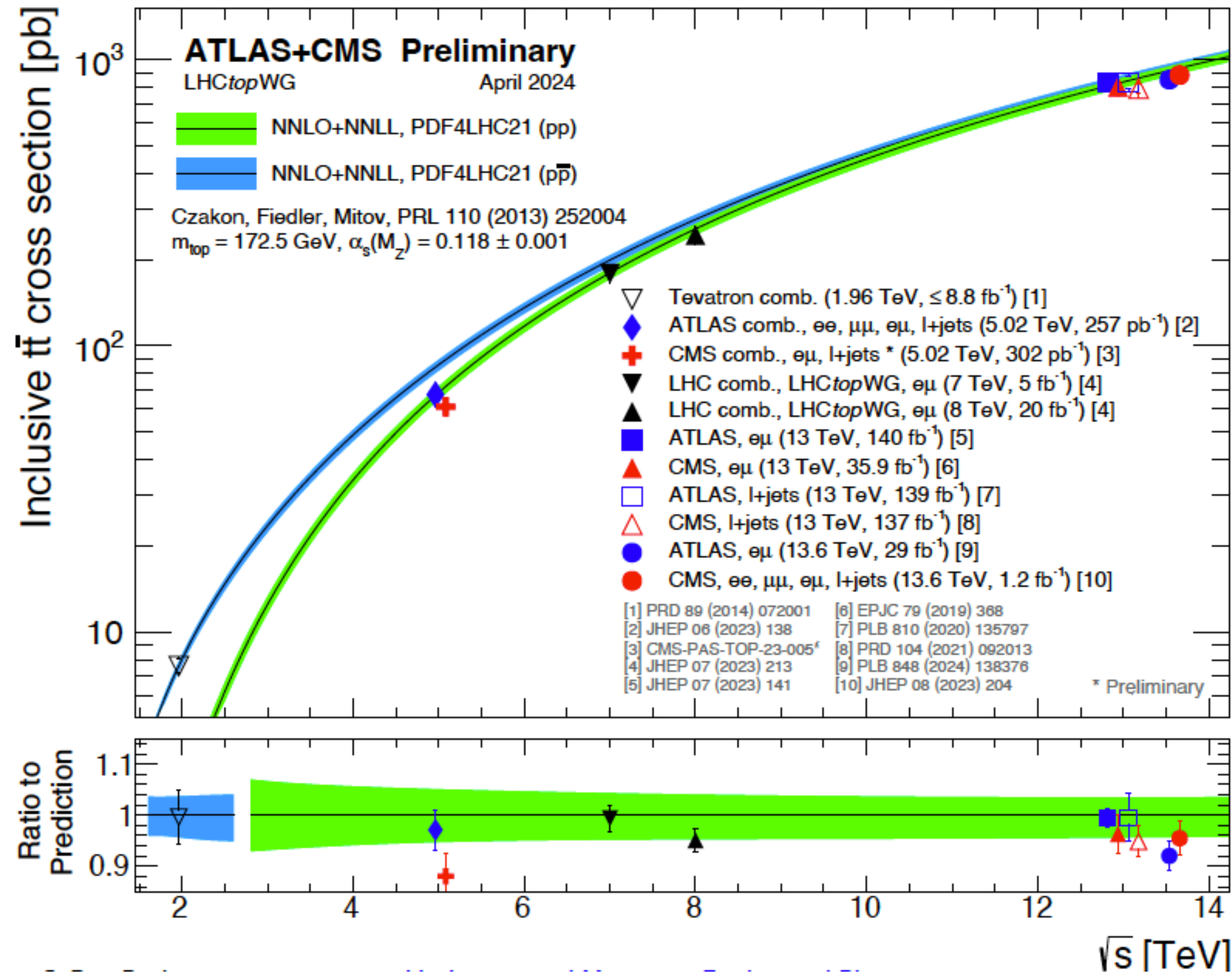


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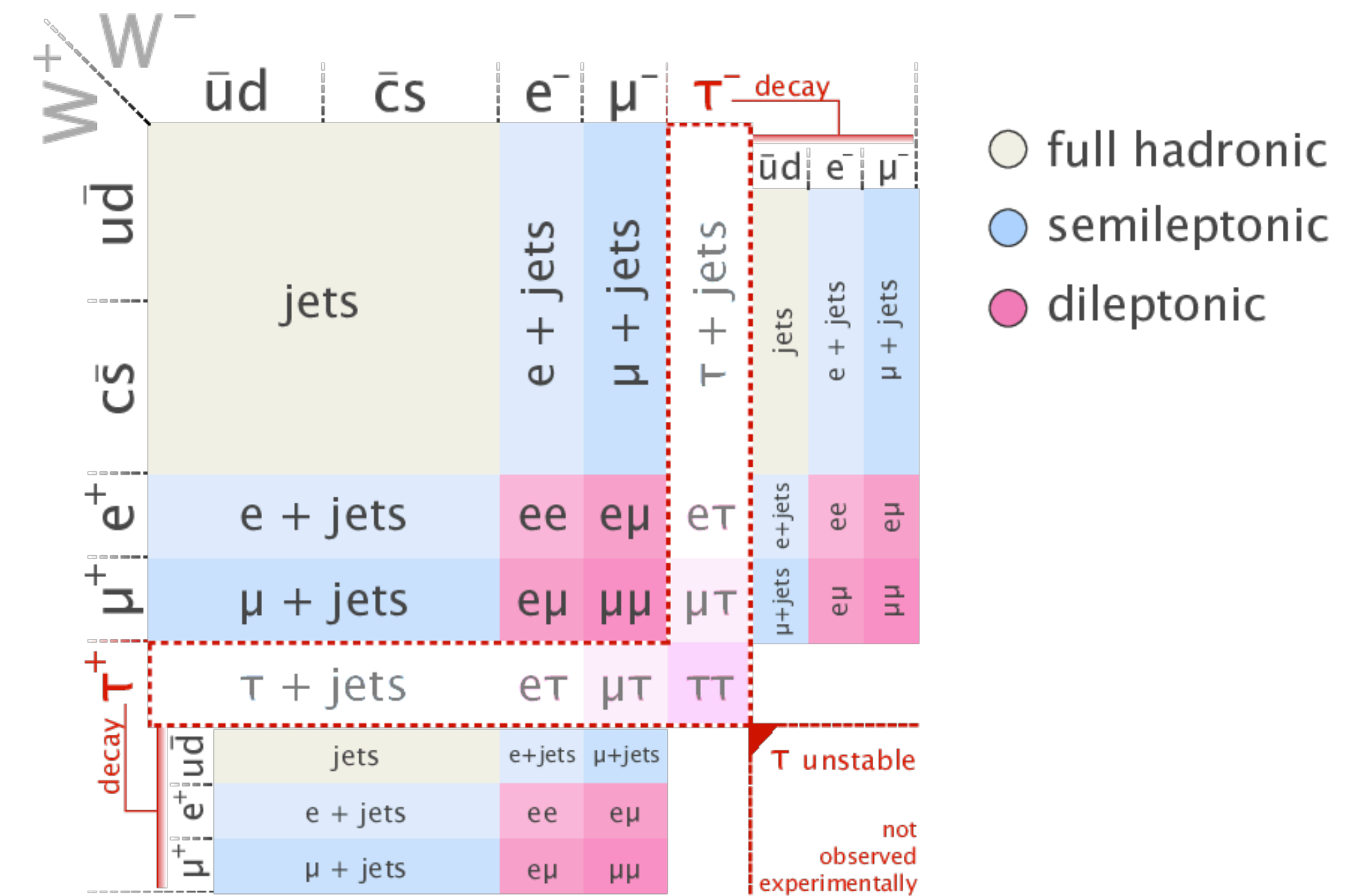
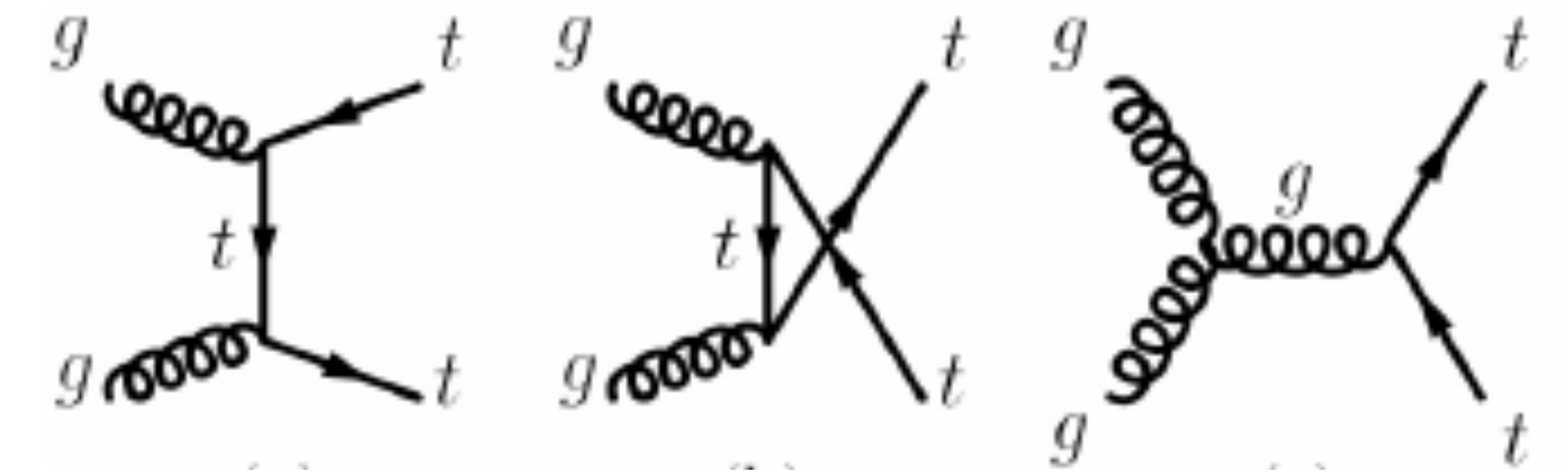
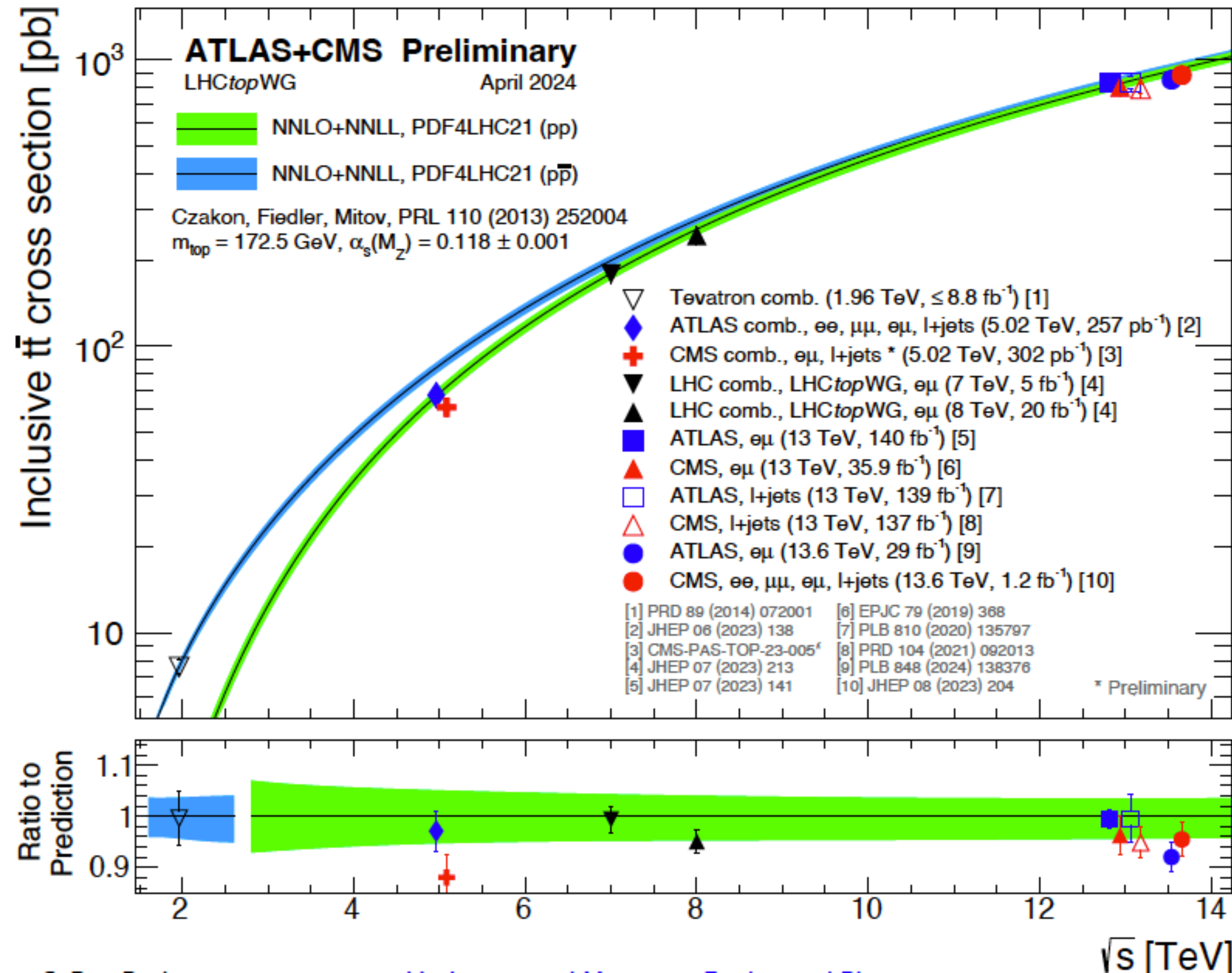


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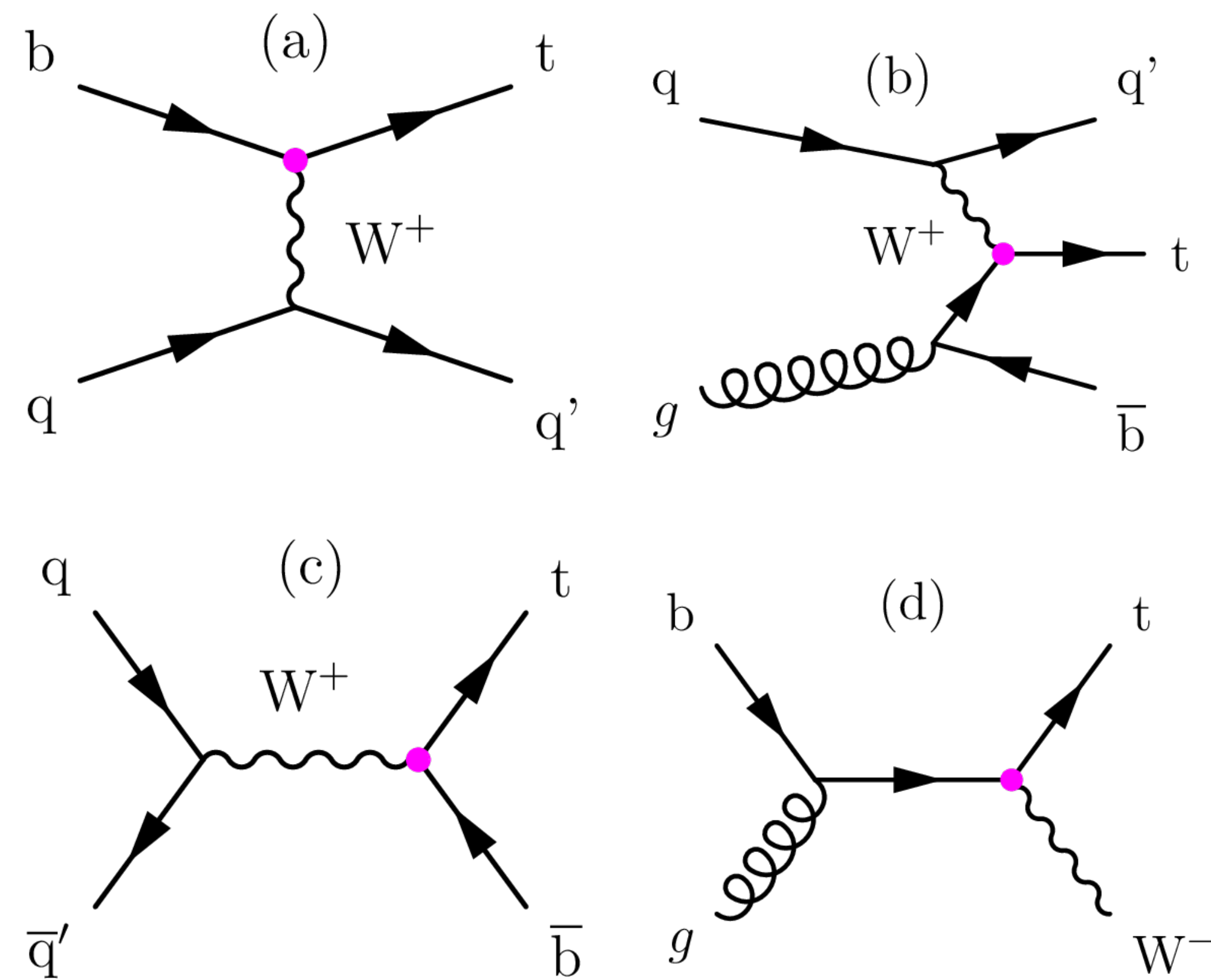
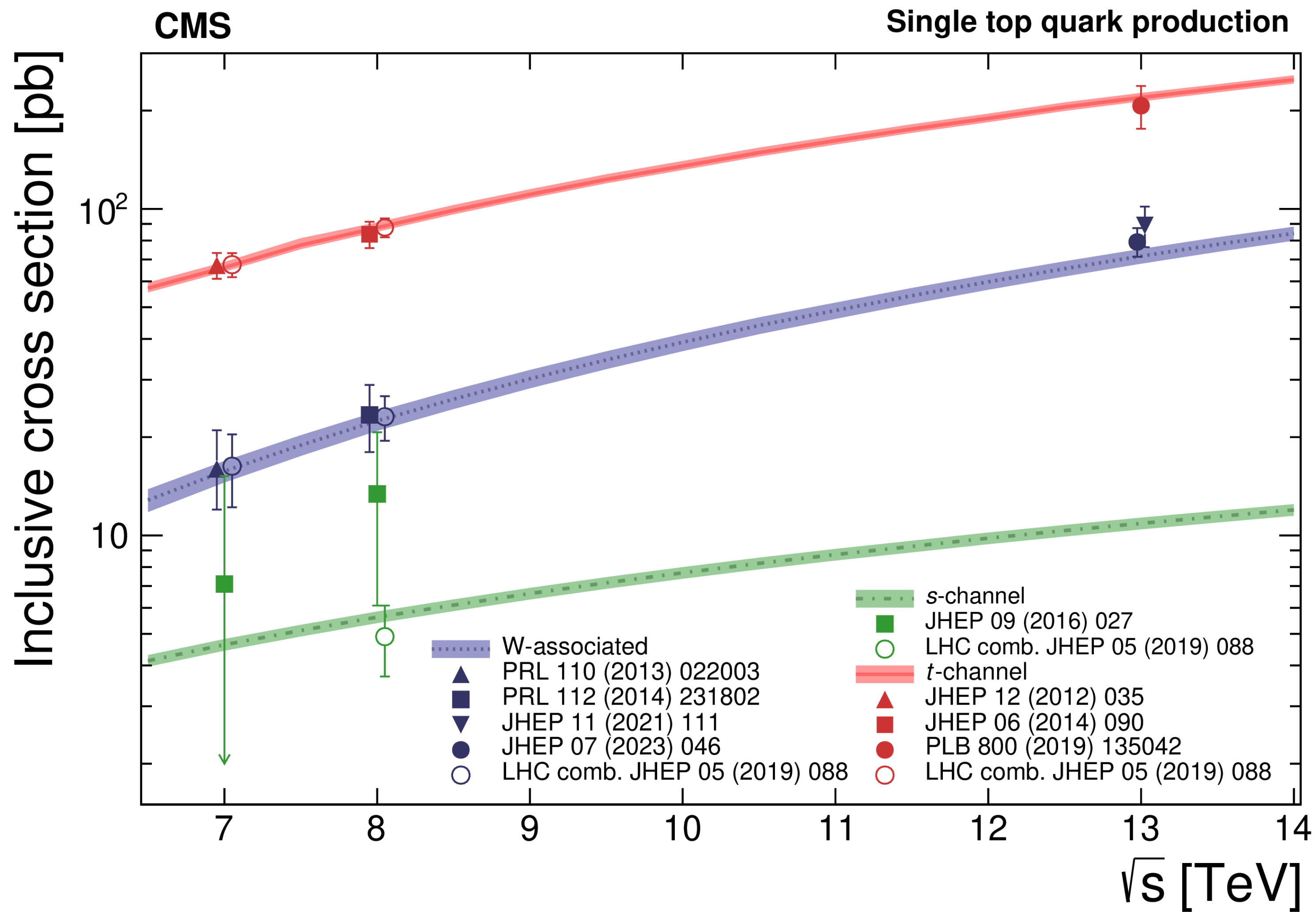


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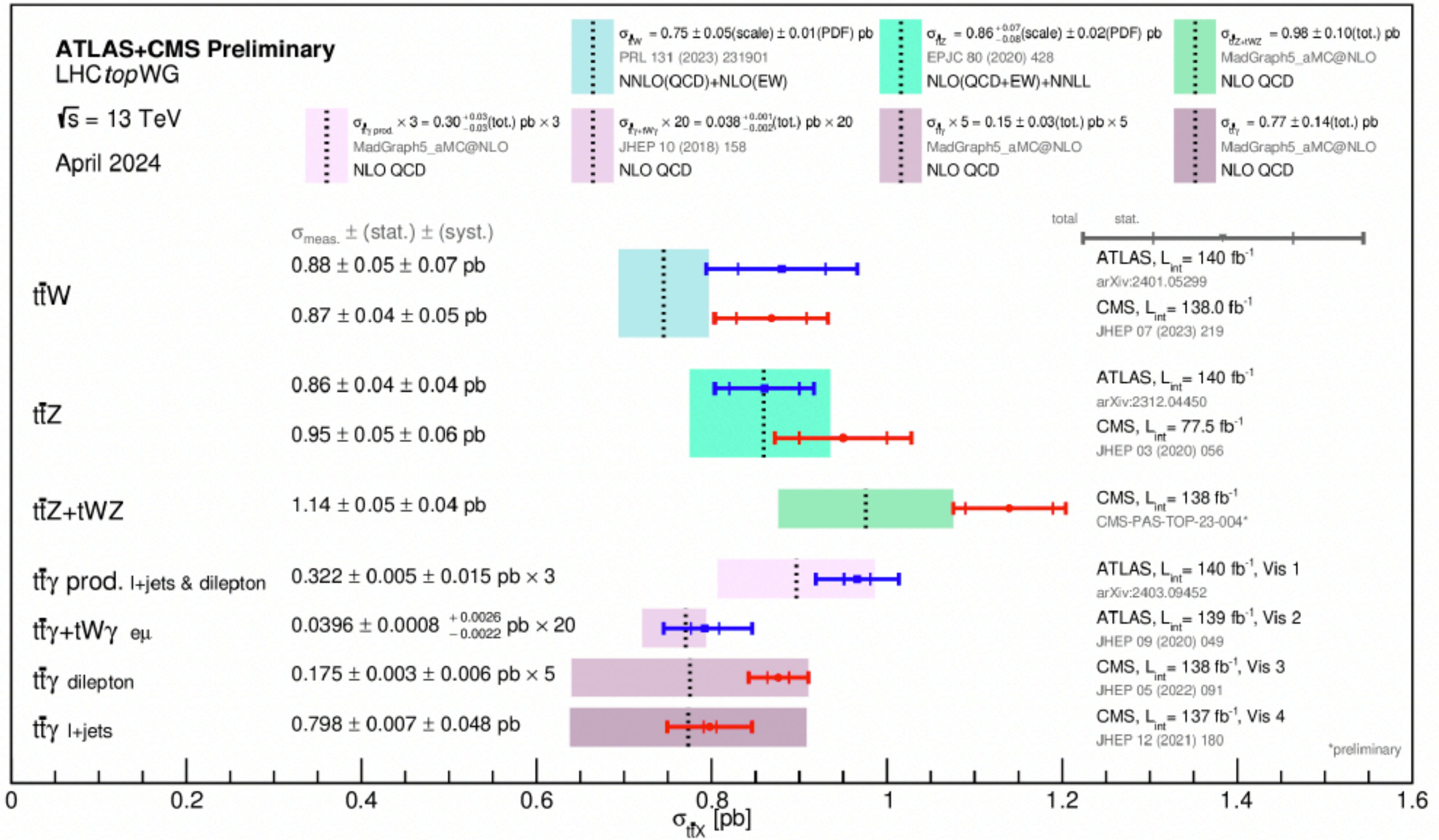




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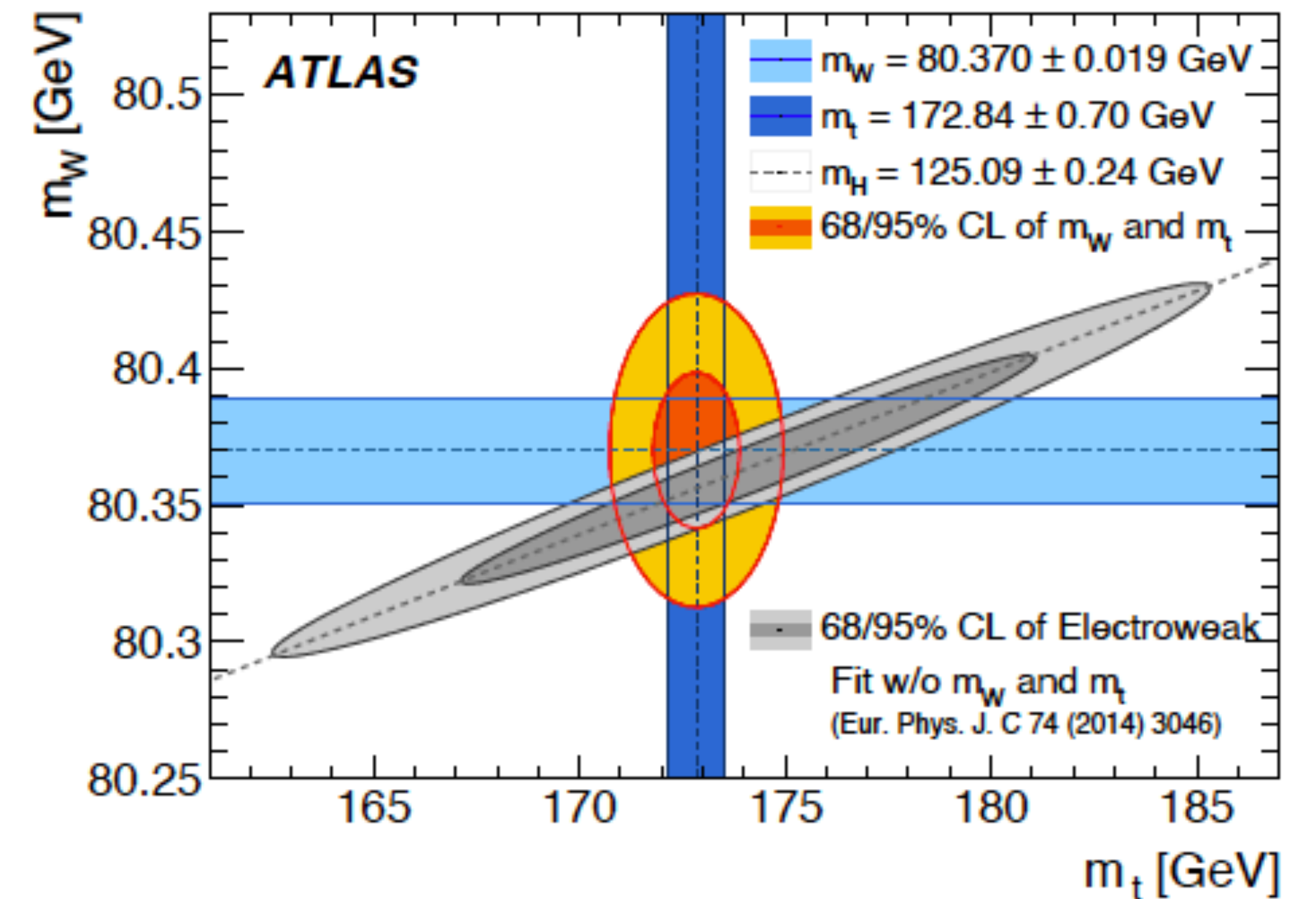
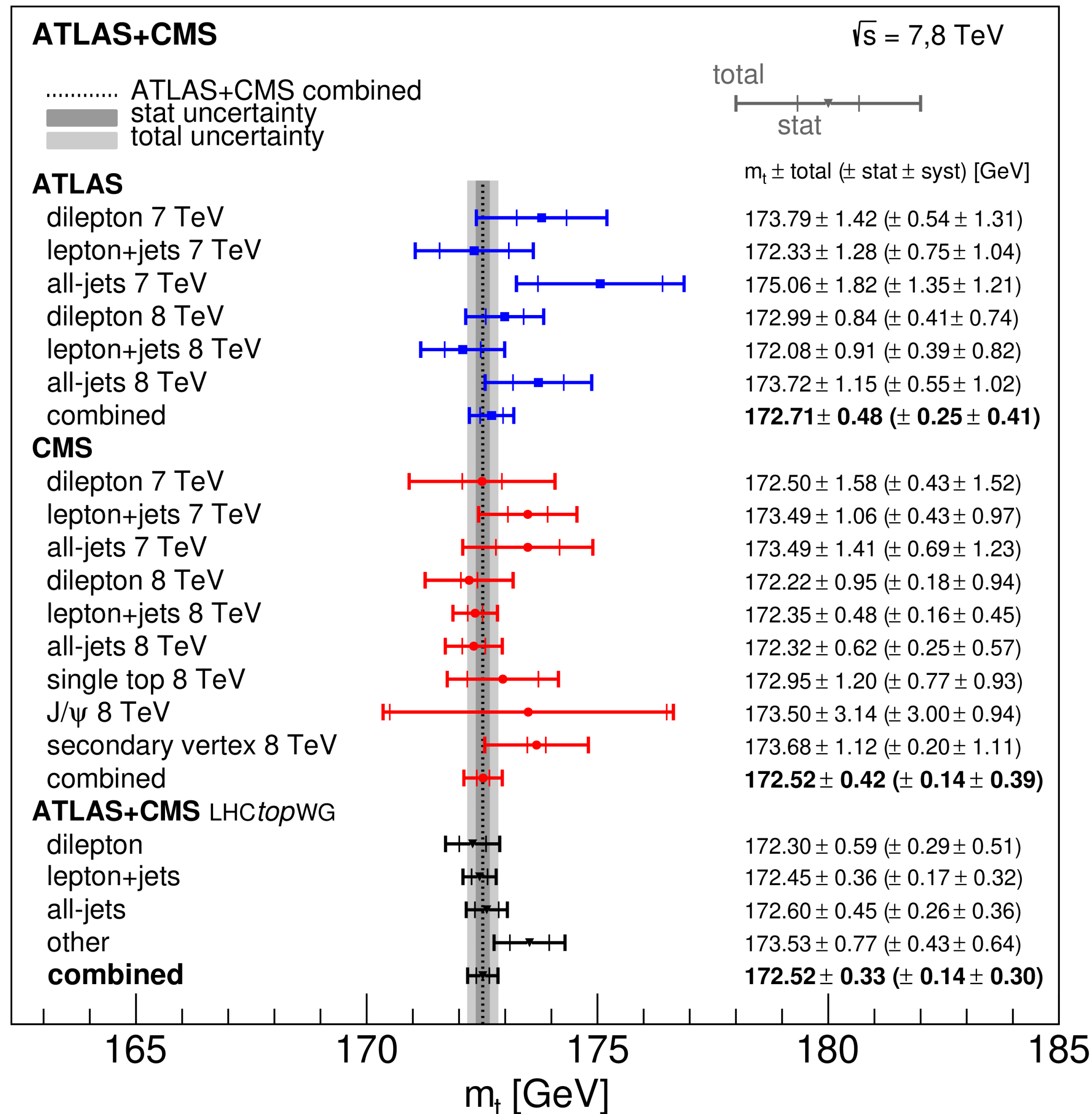






# TOP QUARK MASS

Together with recent measurements of the W mass and the Higgs mass, a precise measurement of  $m_t$  helps to severely constrain (or potentially discover) deviations from the SM.



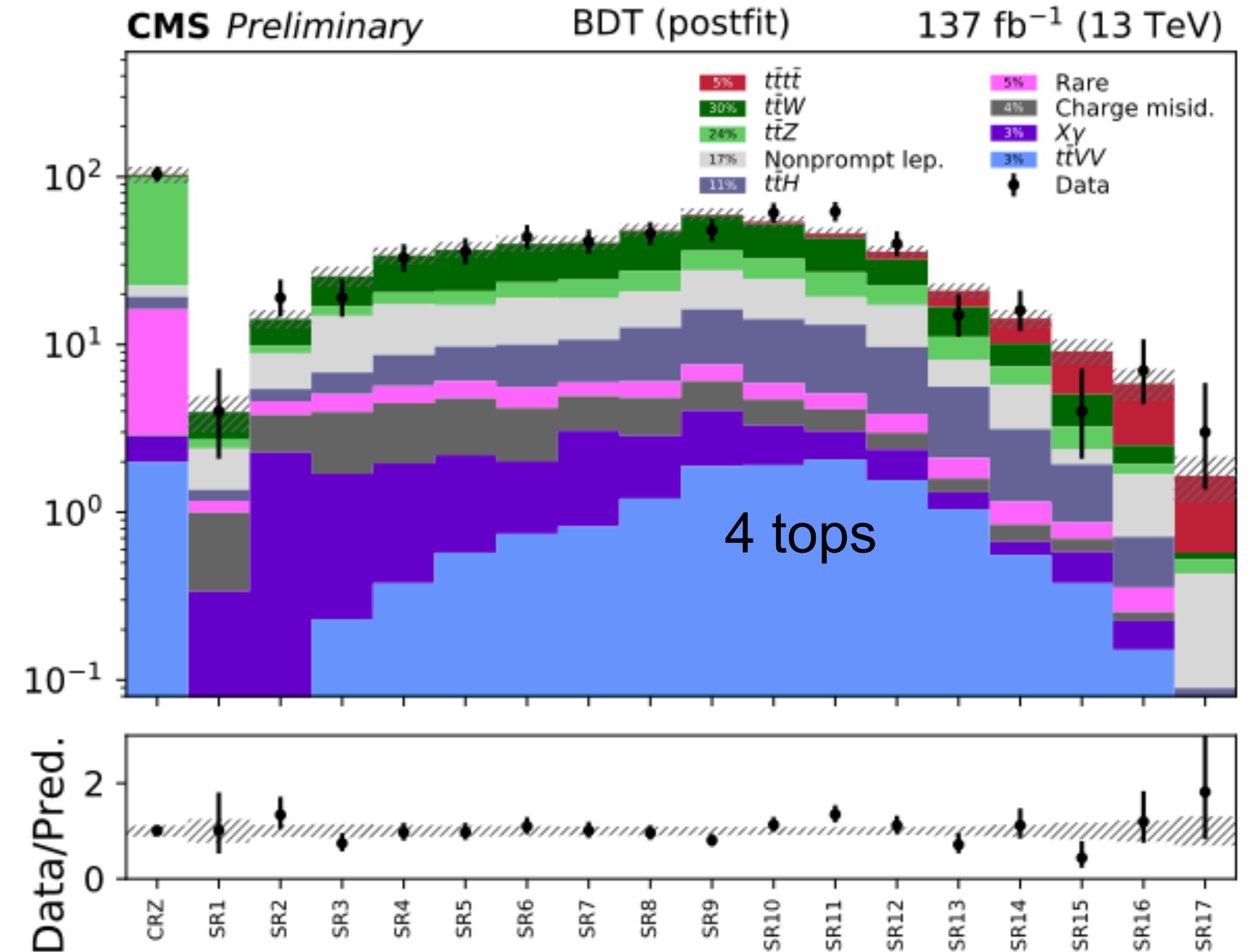
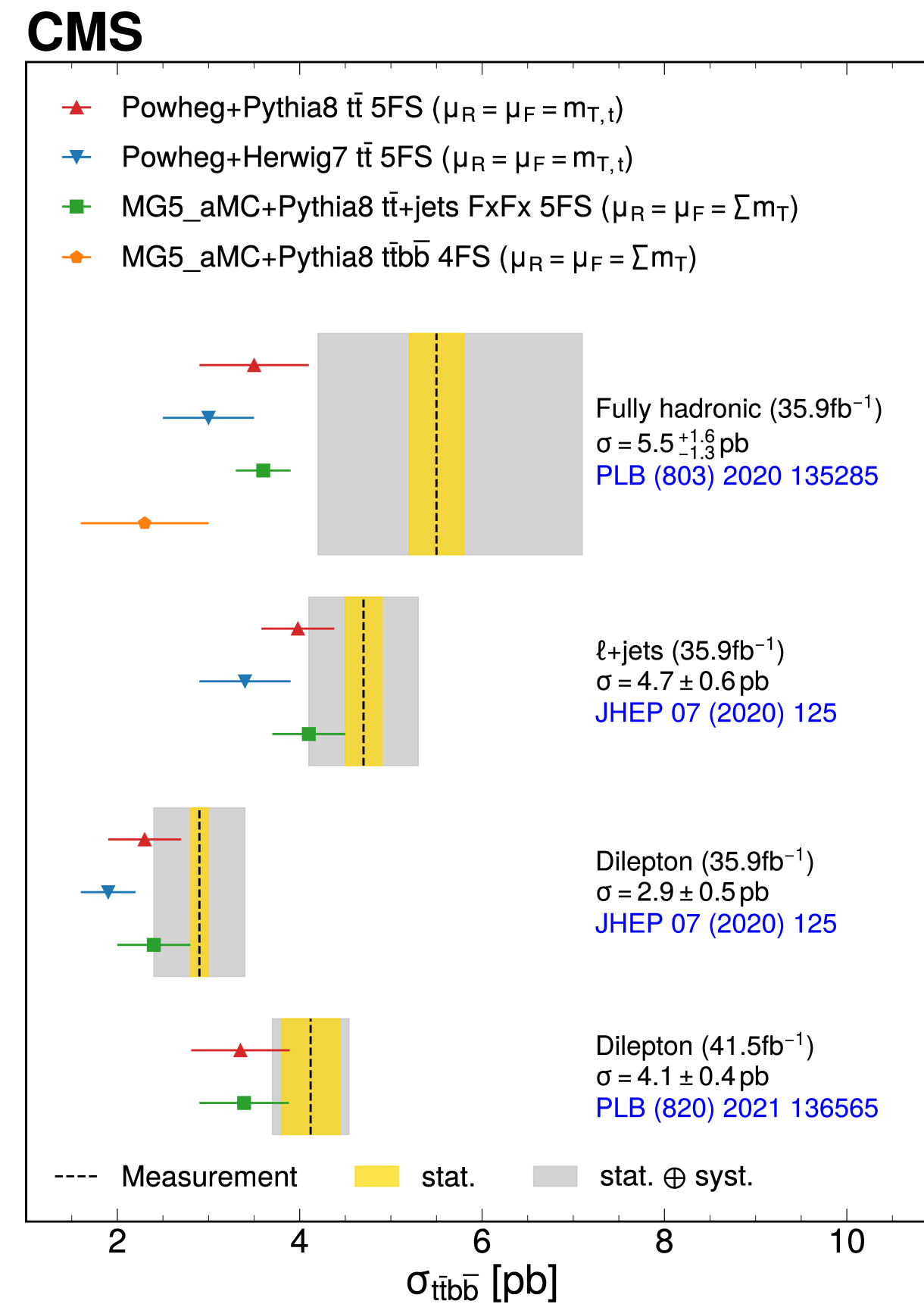
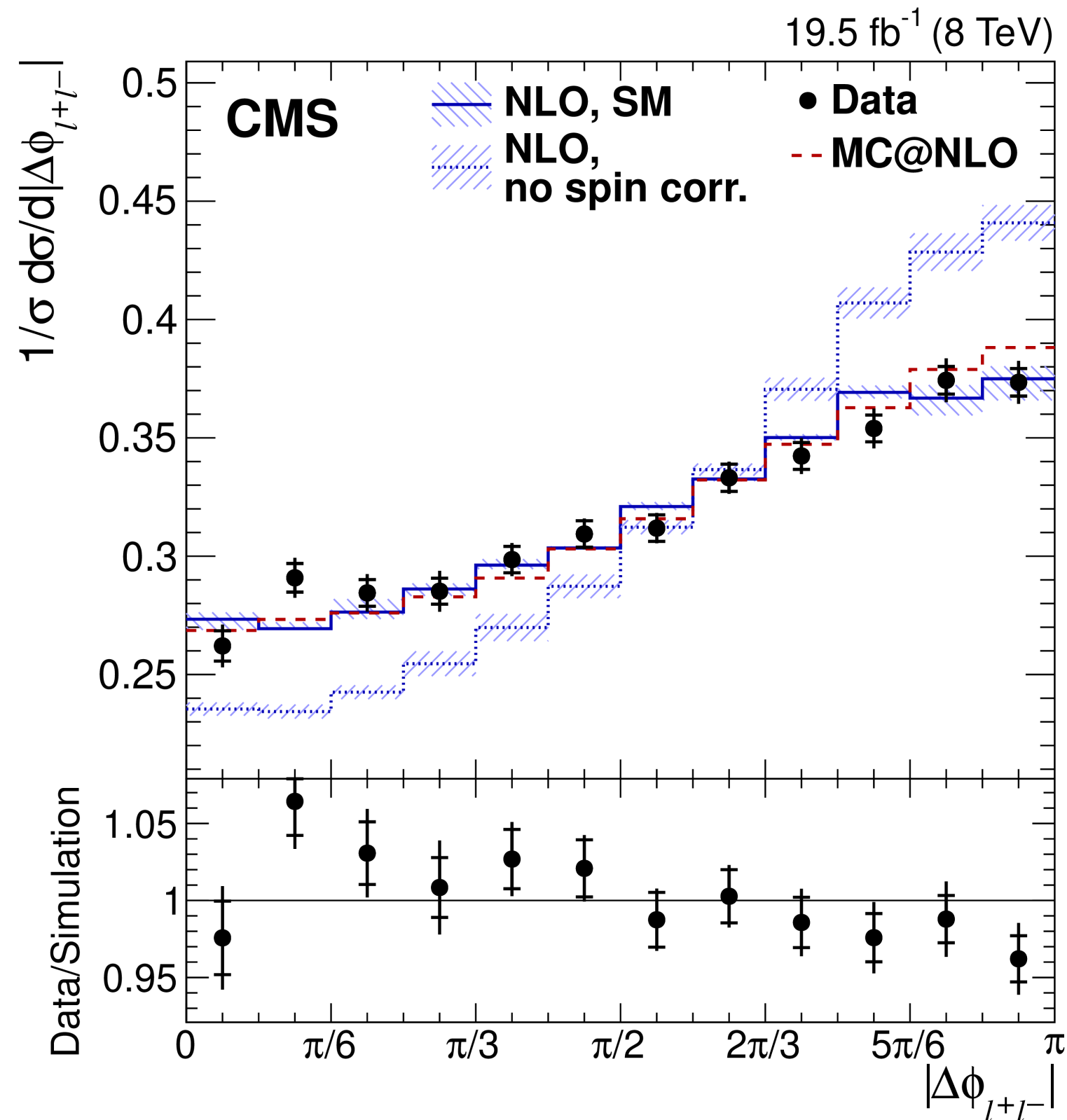
Measurements dominated by systematic uncertainties (theoretical and experimental). Different methods employed, focusing on different systematic sources. Highlights:

- Most precise today: lepton+jets channel
- Experimentally cleanest: dilepton channel
- Theoretically cleanest: tt or tt+jet cross sections



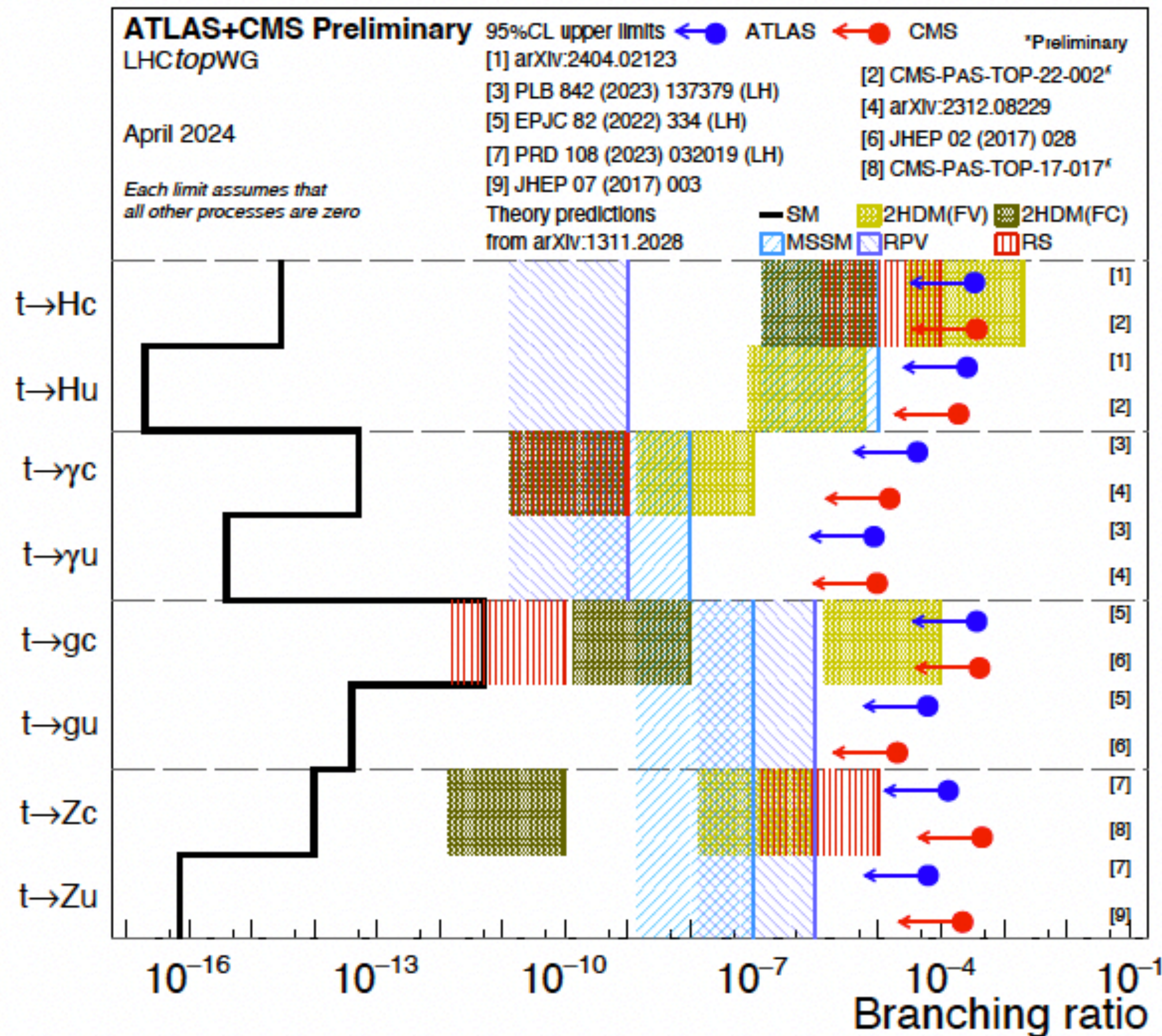
# TOP AS A LABORATORY

- Spin, Couplings, asymmetries, rare and multiple production modes...
- Studying the properties of top and more complex modes of production involving top quarks ( $tt+X$ ) is a strong test theoretical predictions: new physics





# EXAMPLE: SURPRISES WITH FLAVOUR?



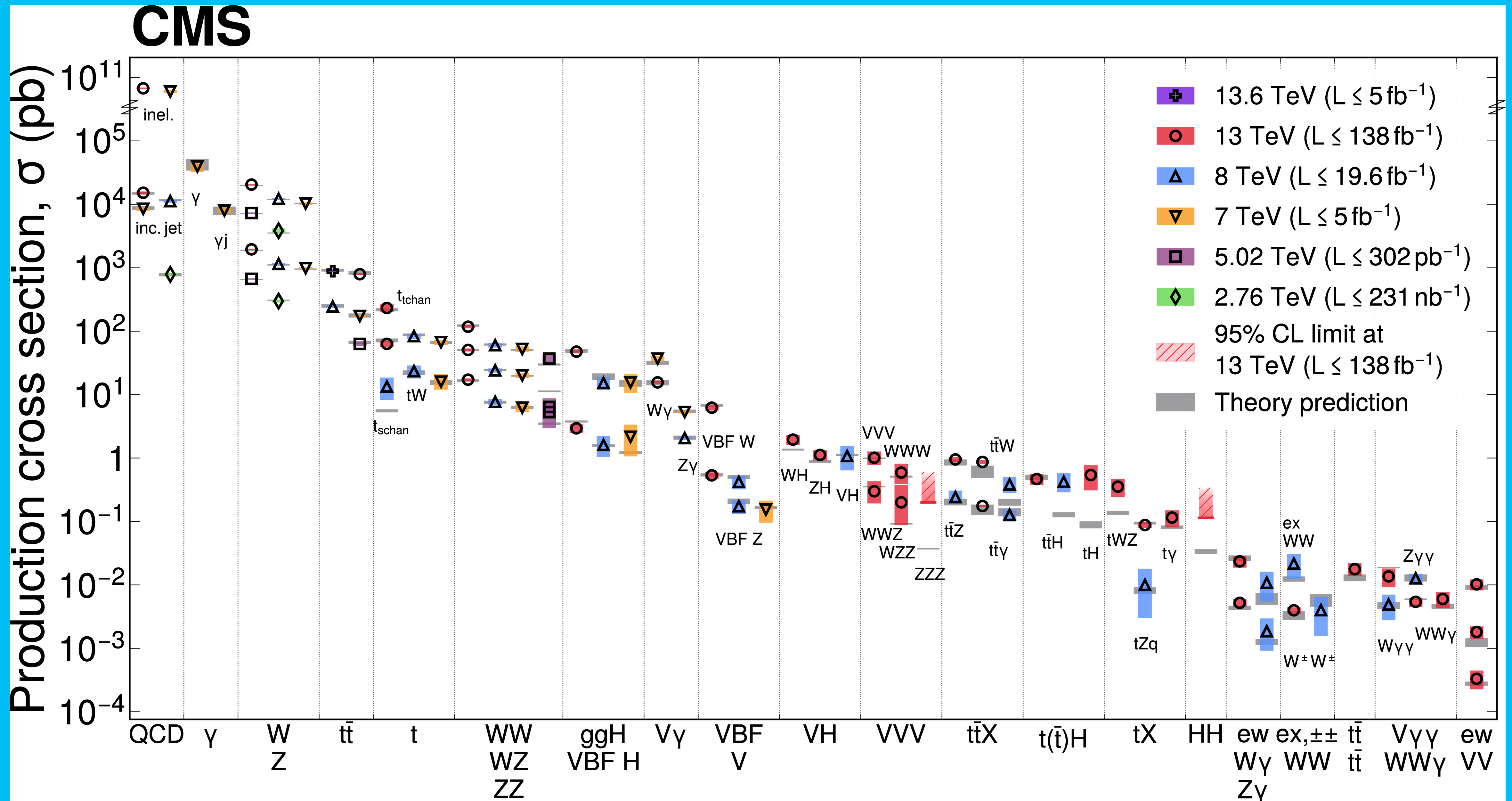
Flavour Changing Neutral Currents:  
Forbidden in the SM at Tree level

Possible in many BSM scenarios (eg 2HDM)

So far no signs , now approaching sensitivity  
to interesting BSM models ( $10^{-4}$ )



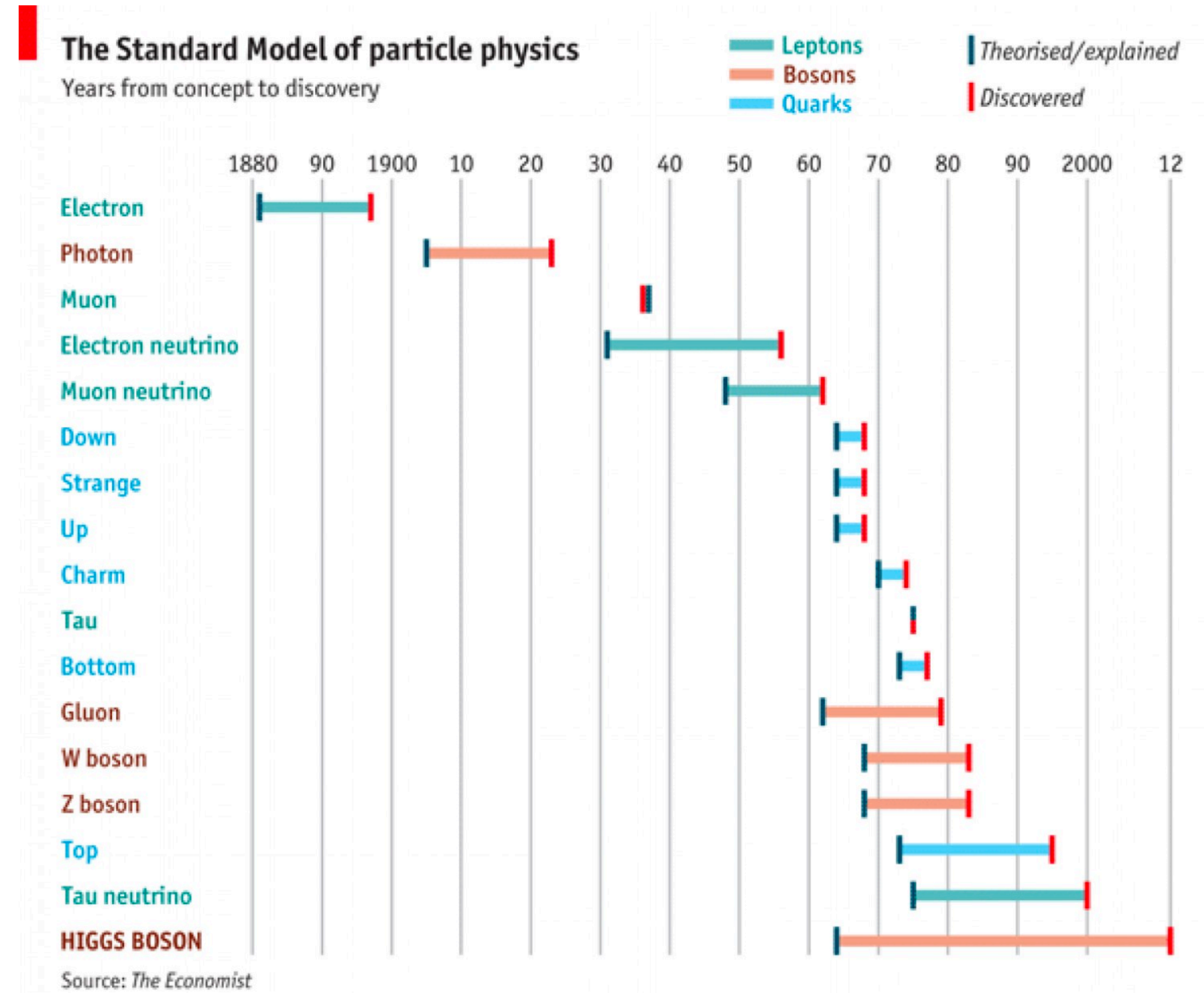
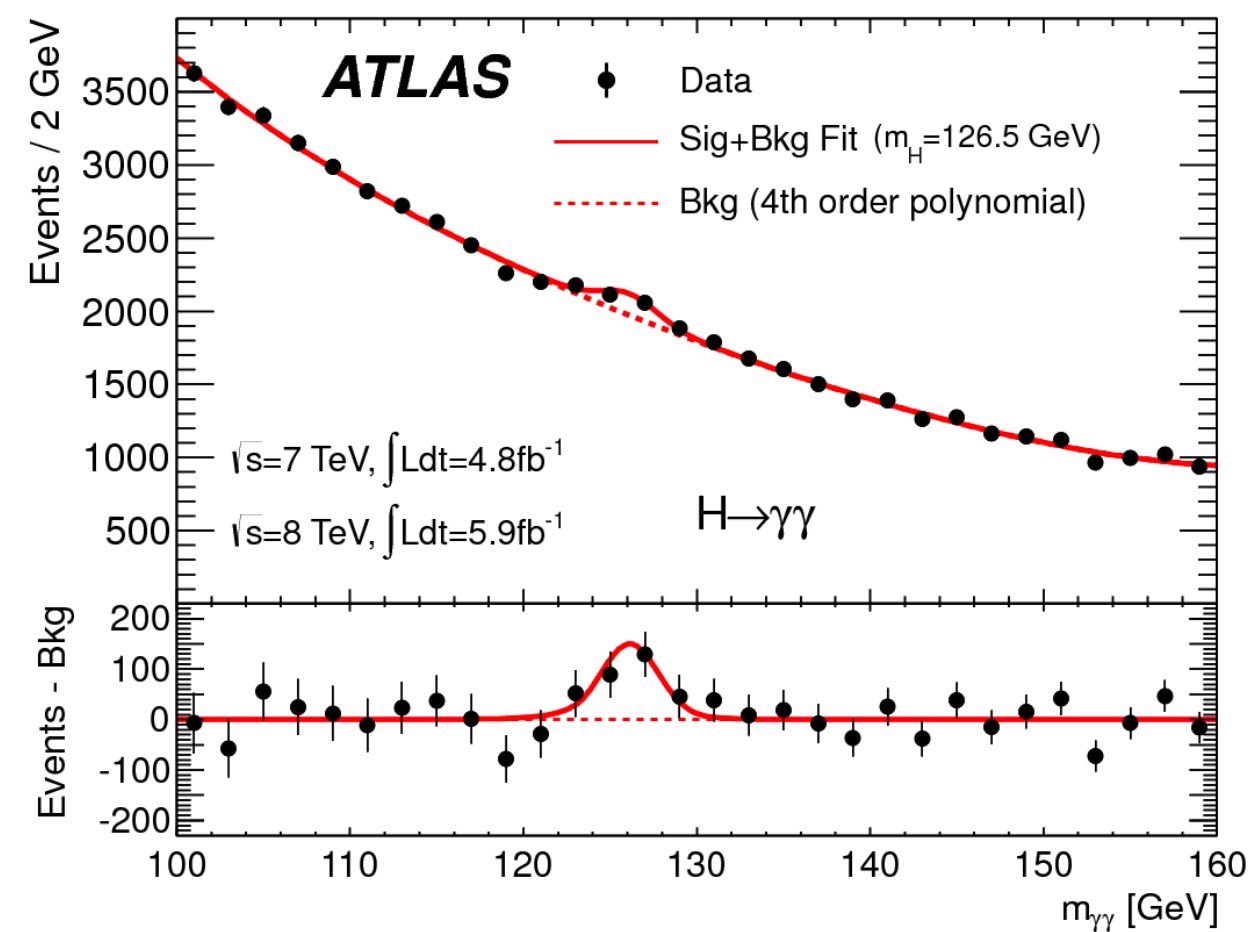
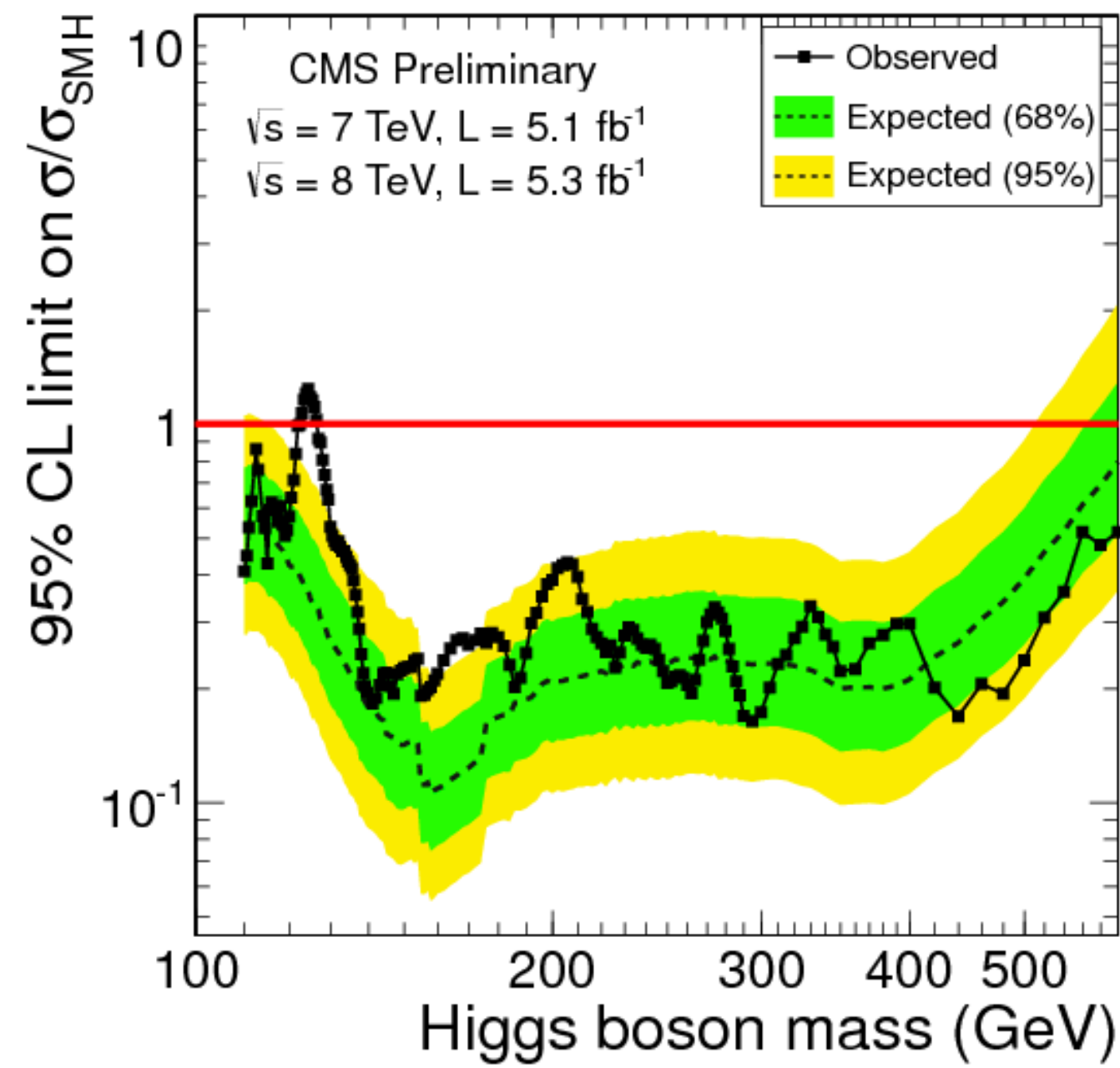
# PRECISION ACROSS MANY ORDERS OF MAGNITUDE





# HIGGS@LHC

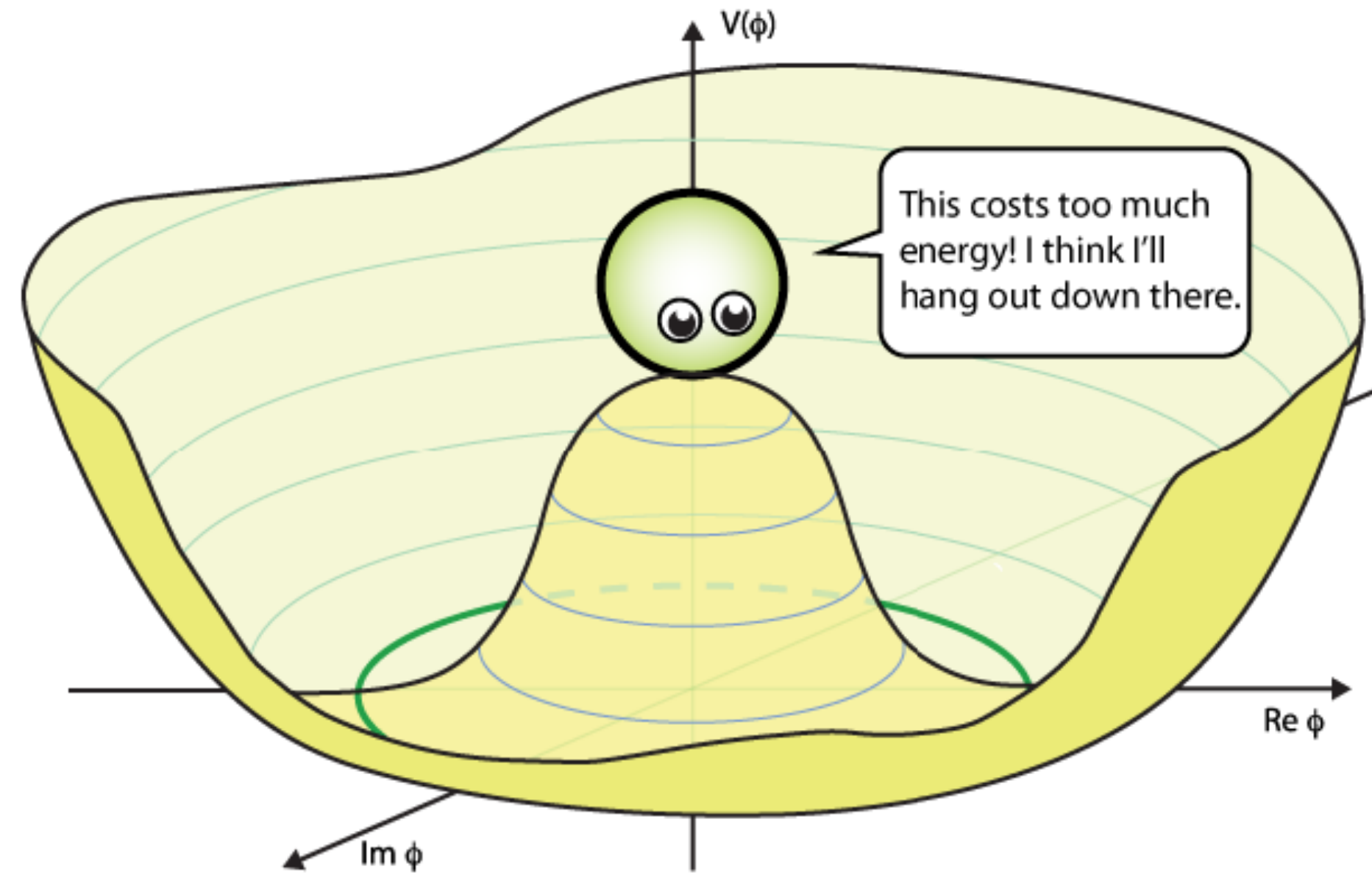




At the time the LHC started, finding the Higgs critical for particle physics: without it, no SM! Twelve years after discovery, understanding its properties remains at the head of the priority list of the European&American strategies! A lot to do understand still



# THE BROUT-ENGLERT-HIGGS MECHANISM



$$\mathcal{L} = |D_\mu \Phi|^2 - \mu^2 \Phi^2 - \lambda \Phi^4$$

For  $\mu^2 < 0$ , minimum  $v = \sqrt{-\frac{\mu^2}{2\lambda}}$

– Electro-Weak Symmetry Breaking: mass of W, Z (photons massless)

- Prediction of the relation between the gauge boson masses and their couplings
- Prediction of a new boson, the Higgs

– What about fermion masses? Yukawa couplings

$$\mathcal{L}_{Y_i} = y_i h f_L^i f_R^i + h.c. \text{ with } y_i = \frac{m_i}{v}$$



# WHY SO IMPORTANT?

The main problems of the SM show up in the Higgs sector

$$V_{Higgs} = V_0 - \mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \lambda (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 + [\bar{\psi}_{Li} Y_{ij} \psi_{Rj} \phi + h.c.]$$

Vacuum energy  
 $V_{0exp} \sim (2 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ eV})^4$

Possible instability  
depending on  $m_H$

Origin of quadratic  
divergences.  
Hierarchy problem

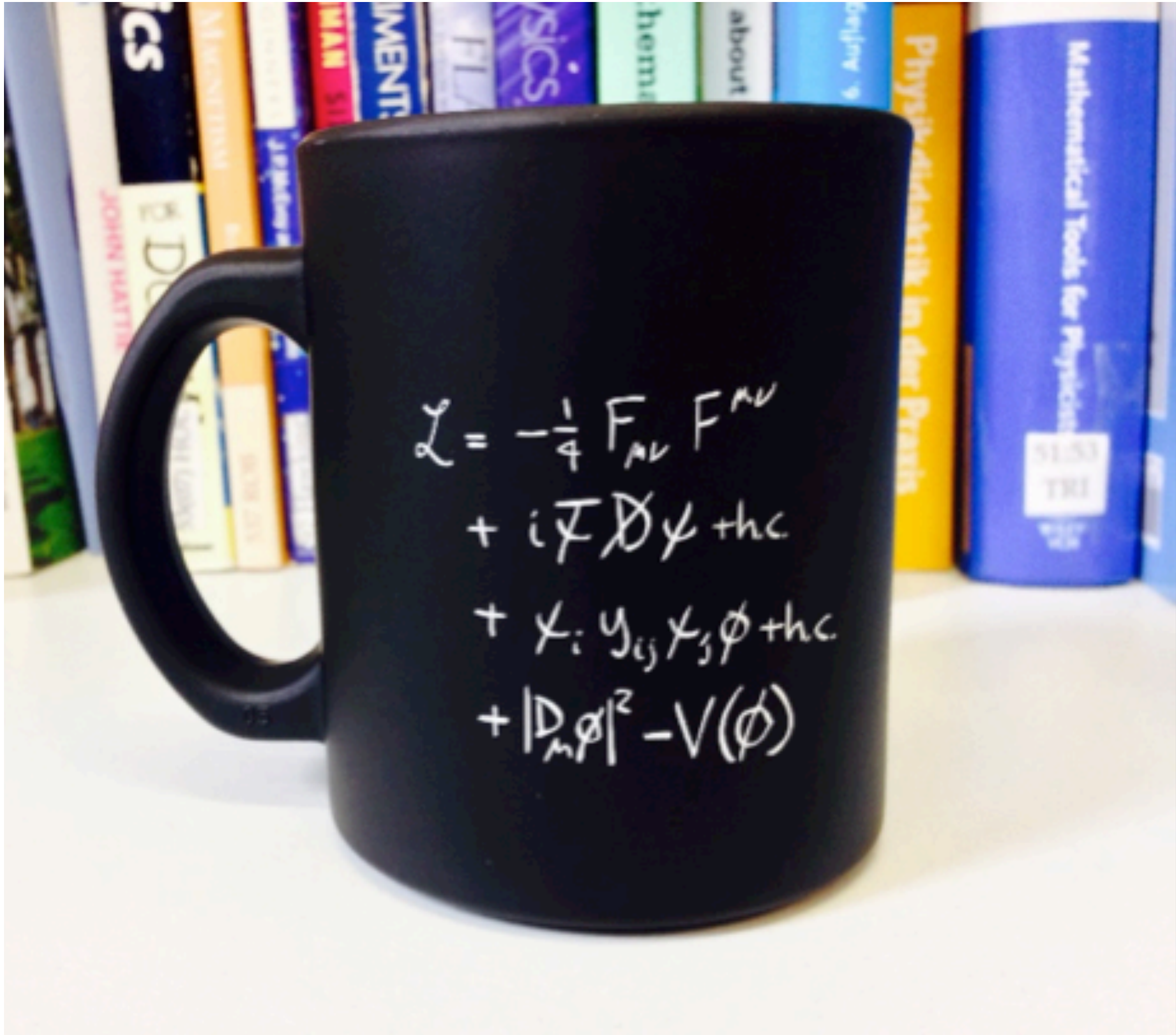
The flavour problem:  
large unexplained ratios  
of  $Y_{ij}$  Yukawa constants

Guido Altarelli  
Lepton Photon 2009

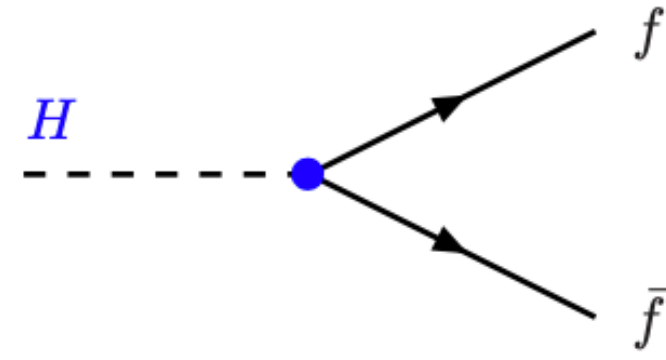
- Only known fundamental particle with spin 0
- Gives mass to other particles, including itself: this has deep implications
- Door to the unknown: what can we learn about BSM through the study of the Higgs boson?

**The central role of the Higgs in the SM makes it particularly sensitive to deviations coming from new physics. BSM can alter couplings, kinematics: we need to measure its properties precisely**

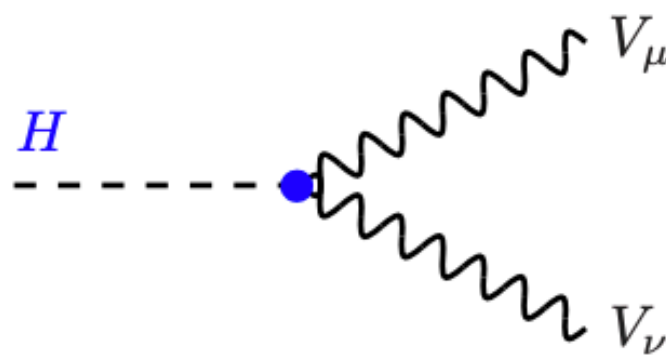




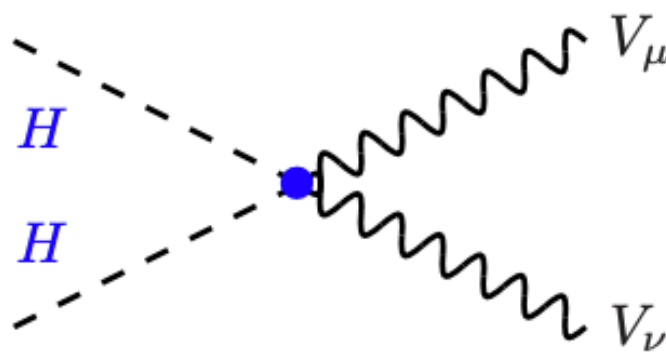
Couplings are proportional to mass!



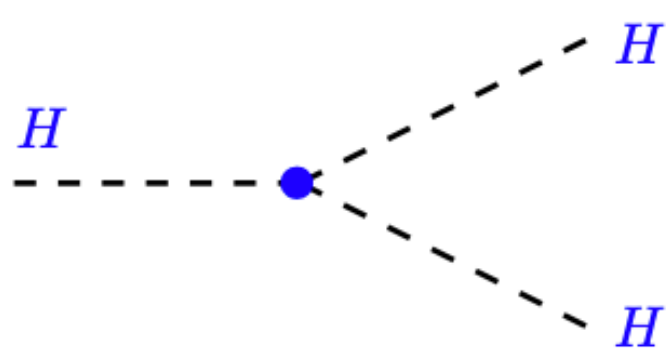
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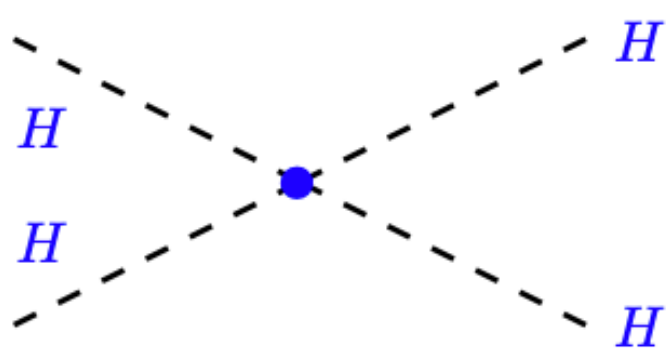
$$g_{HVV} = 2M_V^2/v = 2(\sqrt{2}G_\mu)^{1/2} M_V^2 \times (-ig_{\mu\nu})$$



$$g_{HHV} = 2M_V^2/v^2 = 2\sqrt{2}G_\mu M_V^2 \times (-ig_{\mu\nu})$$



$$g_{HHH} = 3M_H^2/v = 3(\sqrt{2}G_\mu)^{1/2} M_H^2 \times (i)$$



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# UNDERSTANDING THE HIGGS BOSON AT A COLLIDER

Finding a particle is the beginning of a long way to understand it: what is really the Higgs boson? Does it follow the SM rules?

$H^0$

$J = 0$

Mass  $m = 125.18 \pm 0.16$  GeV

Full width  $\Gamma < 0.013$  GeV, CL = 95%

## $H^0$ Signal Strengths in Different Channels

See Listings for the latest unpublished results.

Combined Final States =  $1.10 \pm 0.11$

$WW^* = 1.08^{+0.18}_{-0.16}$

$ZZ^* = 1.14^{+0.15}_{-0.13}$

$\gamma\gamma = 1.16 \pm 0.18$

$b\bar{b} = 0.95 \pm 0.22$

$\mu^+\mu^- = 0.0 \pm 1.3$

$\tau^+\tau^- = 1.12 \pm 0.23$

$Z\gamma < 6.6$ , CL = 95%

$t\bar{t}H^0$  Production =  $2.3^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$

- How is the Higgs boson produced? How does it decay?
- What kind of particle is the Higgs? (Properties: Mass, Width, Spin)
- How does it couple to Standard Model particles?
  - Does it couple to all matter generations?
  - Does it couple to itself?
  - Does it couple unusually? (eg: Dark Matter?)
- Is the Higgs alone?
- Is it really an elementary particle?
- Where does the Higgs mechanism come from?



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<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/LHCHSWG>

(\* in pp collisions)



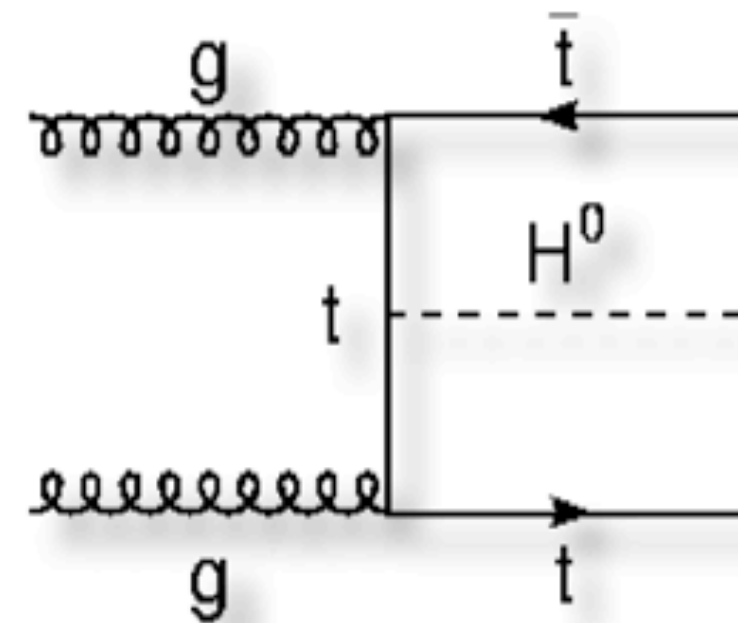
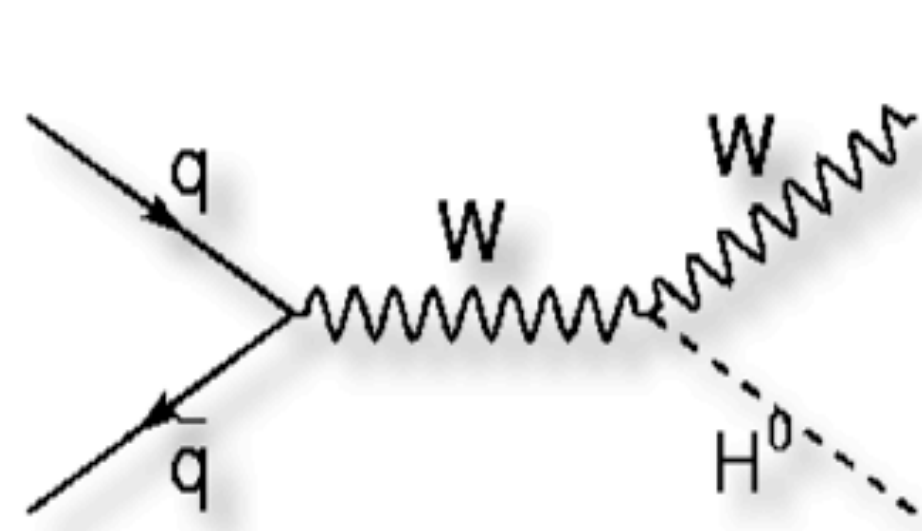
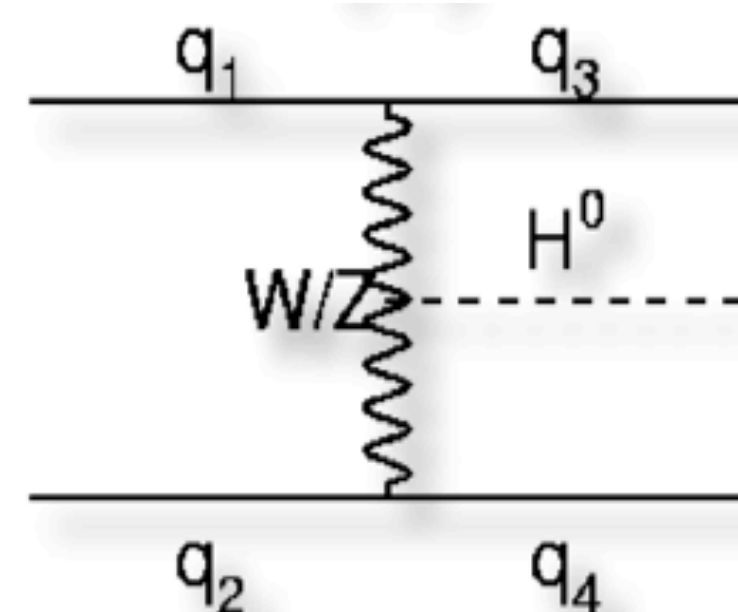
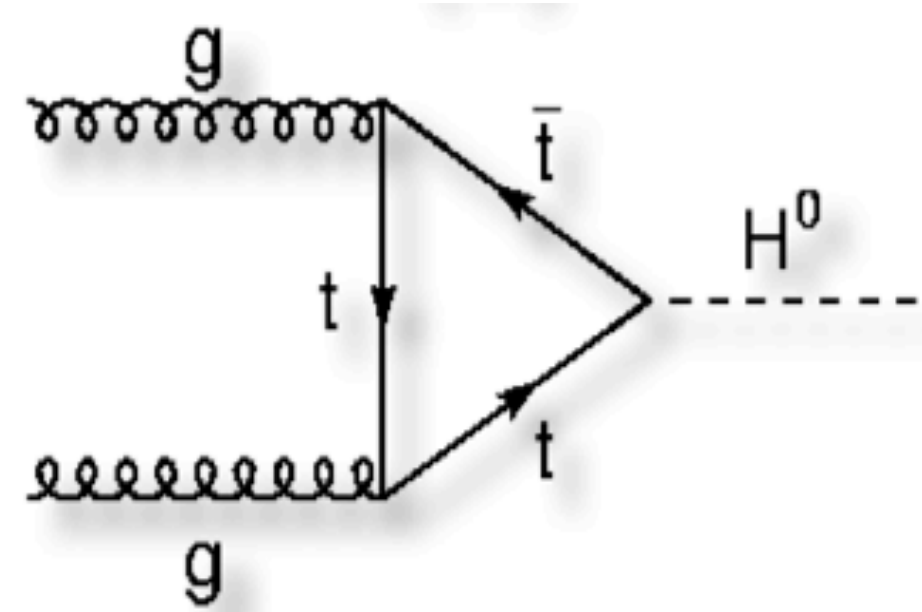
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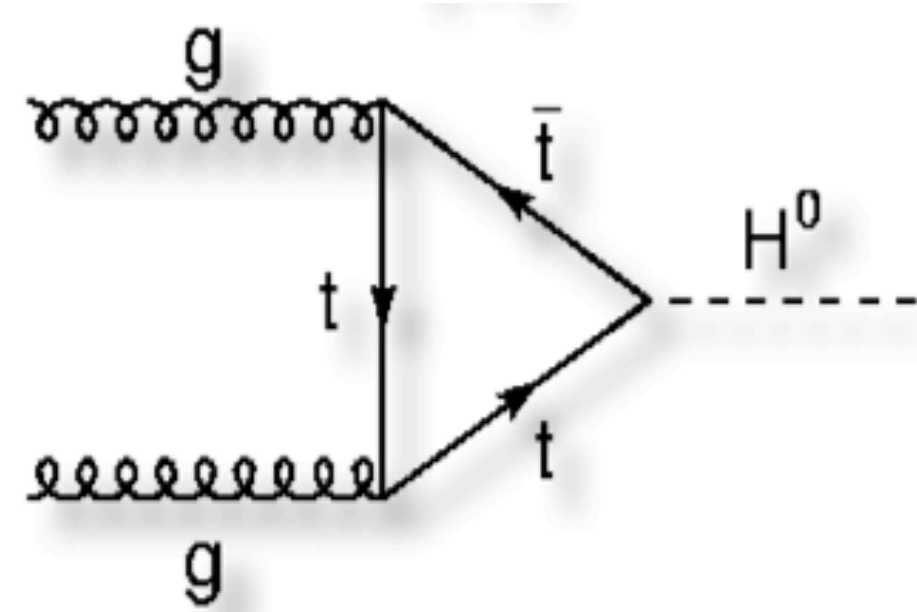
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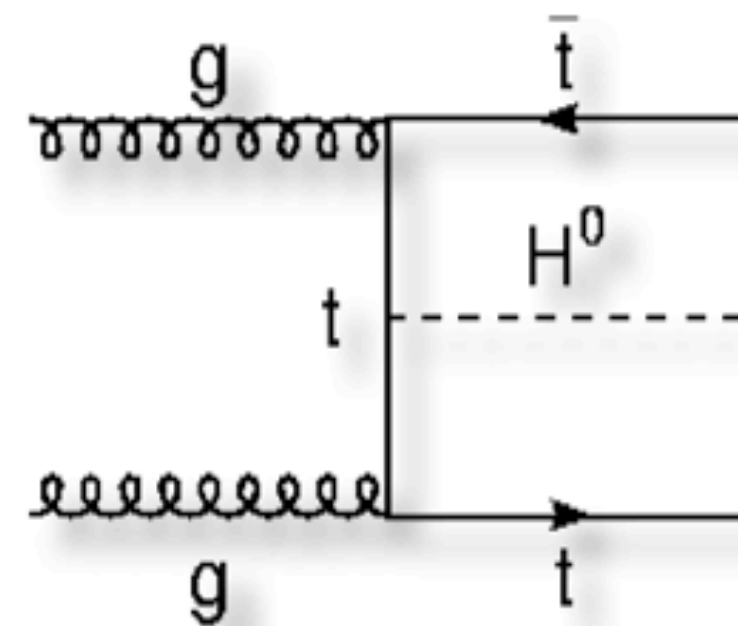
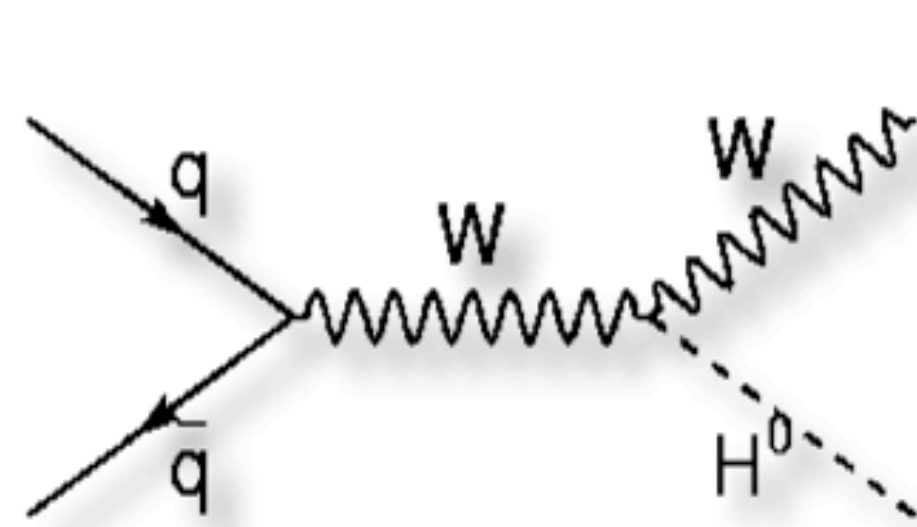
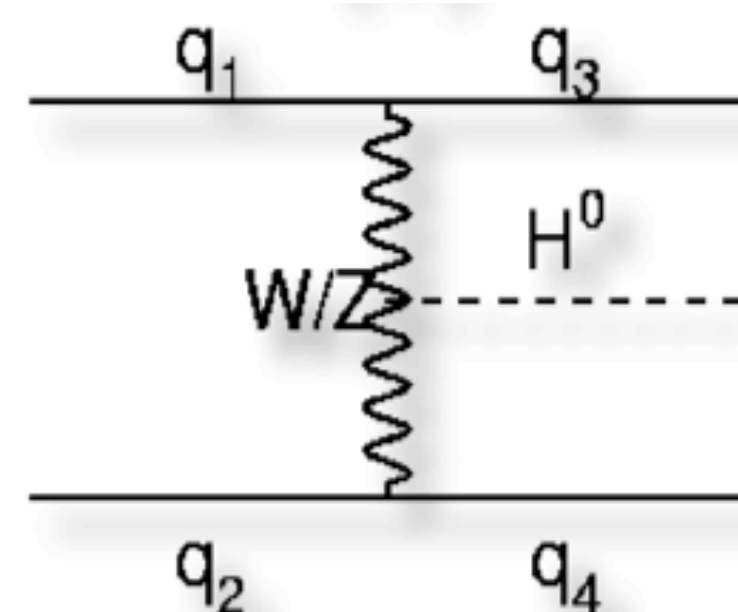


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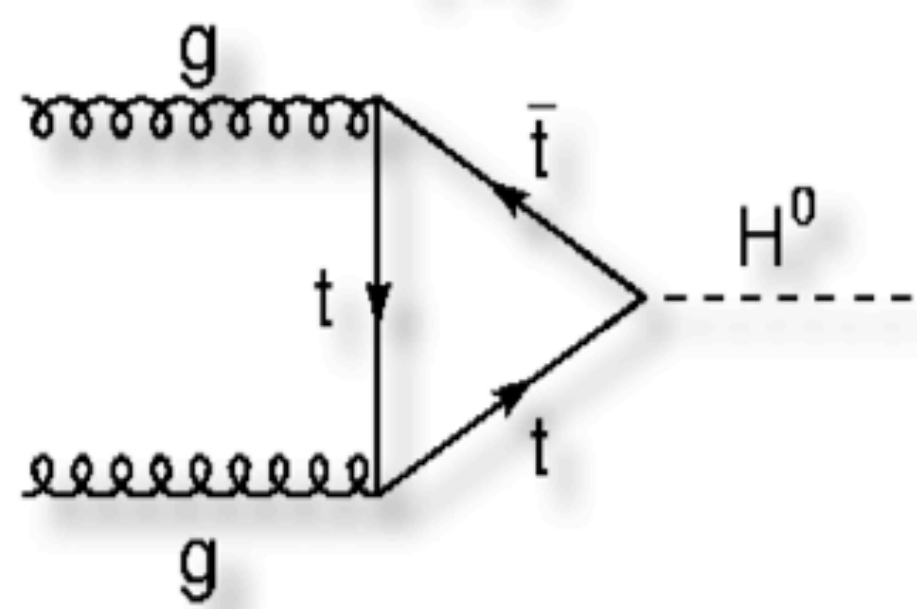


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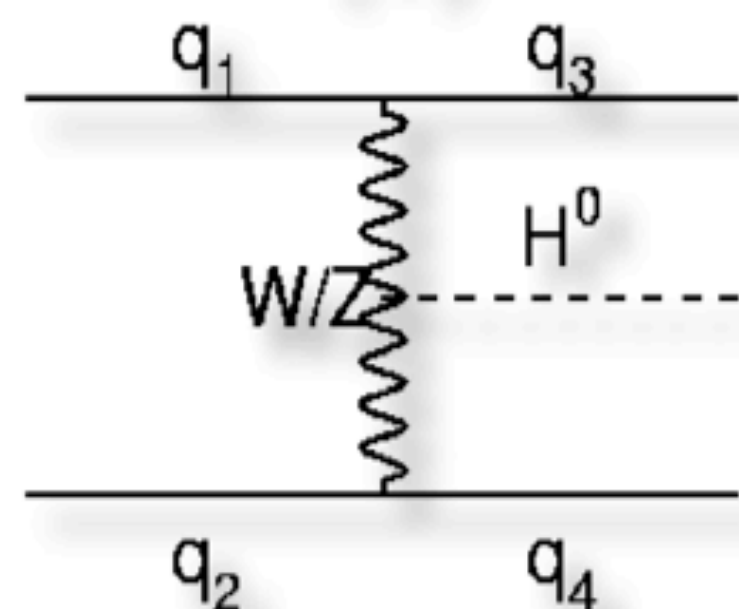


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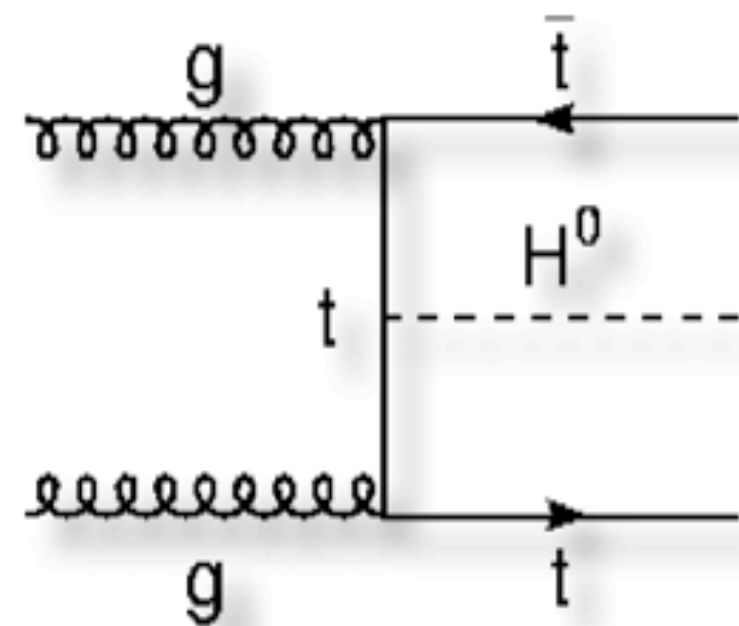
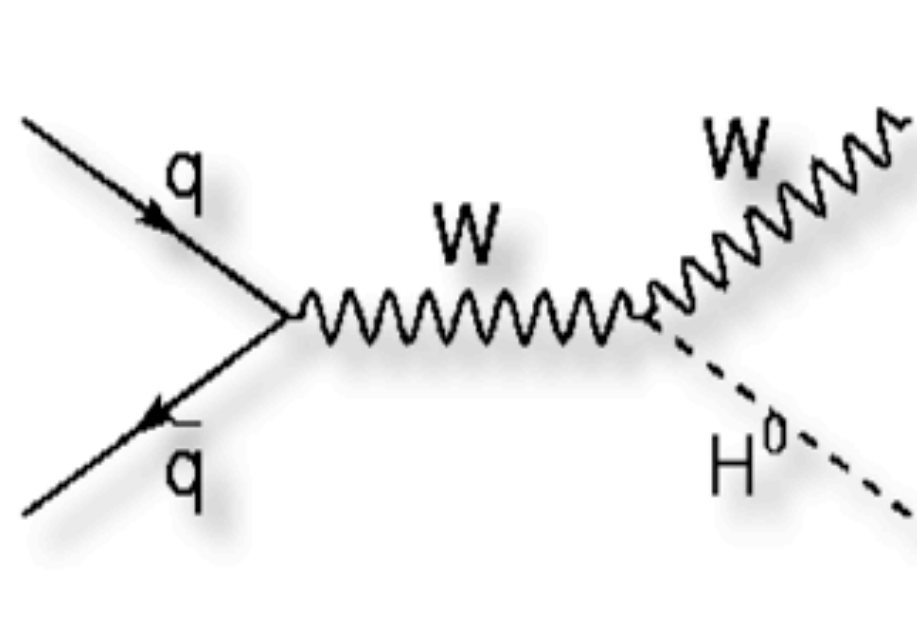
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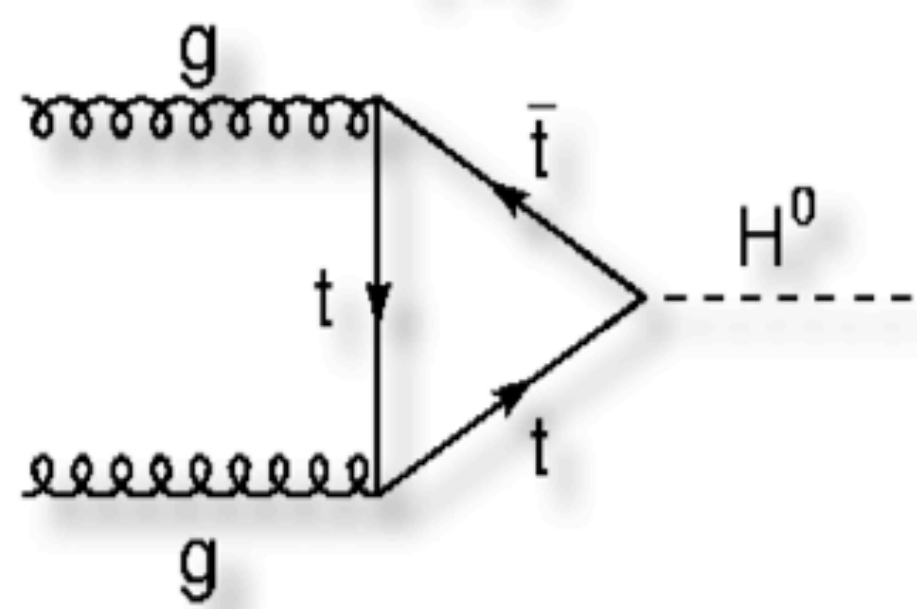
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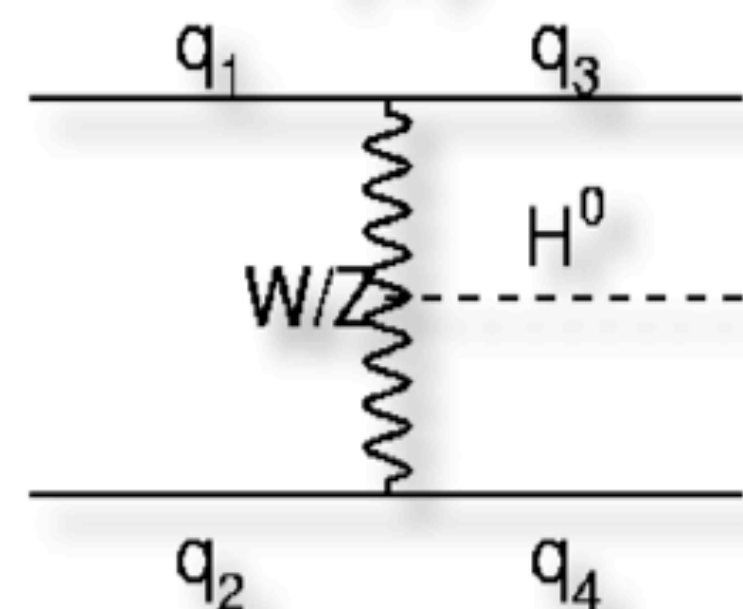


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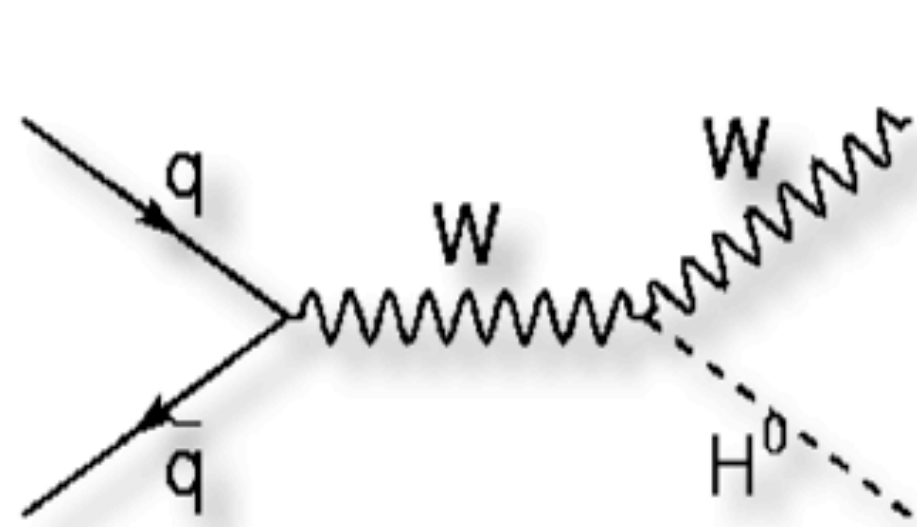
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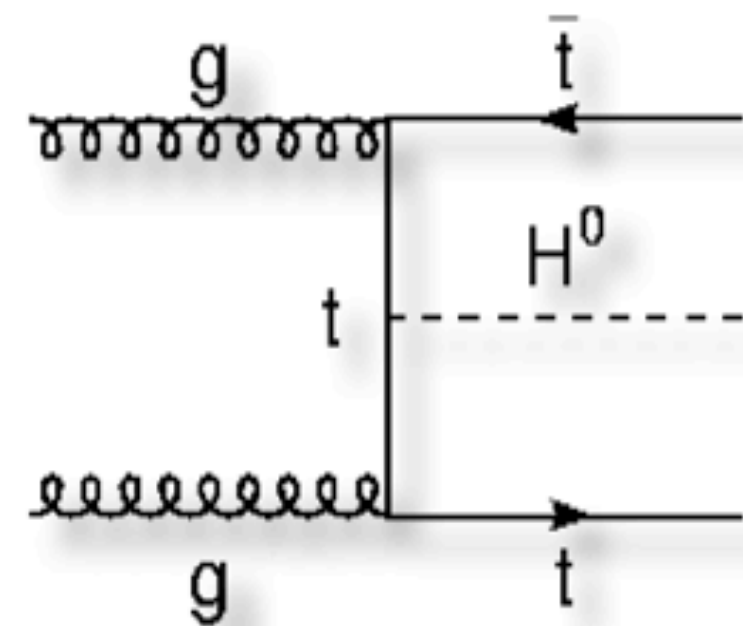
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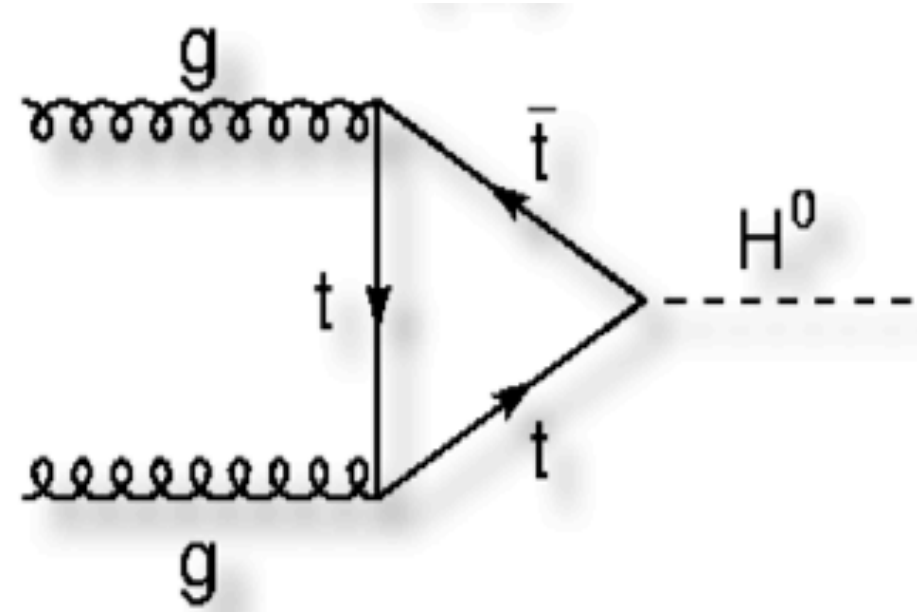
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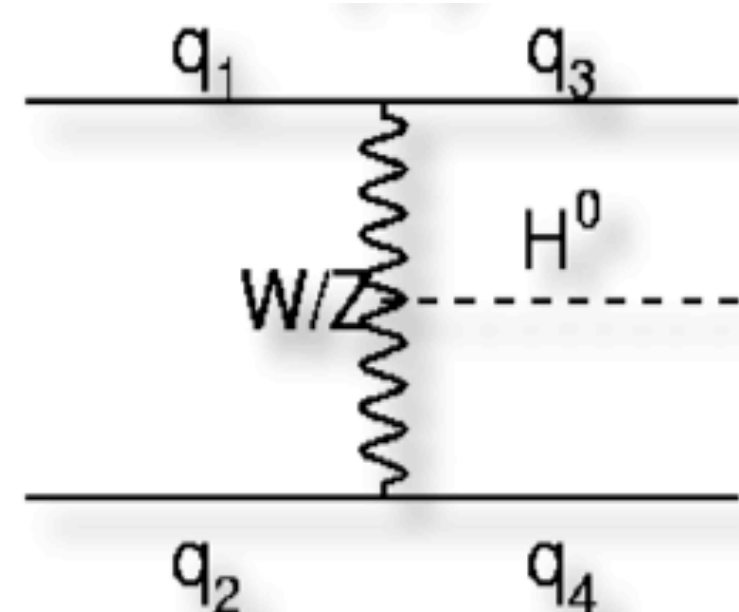


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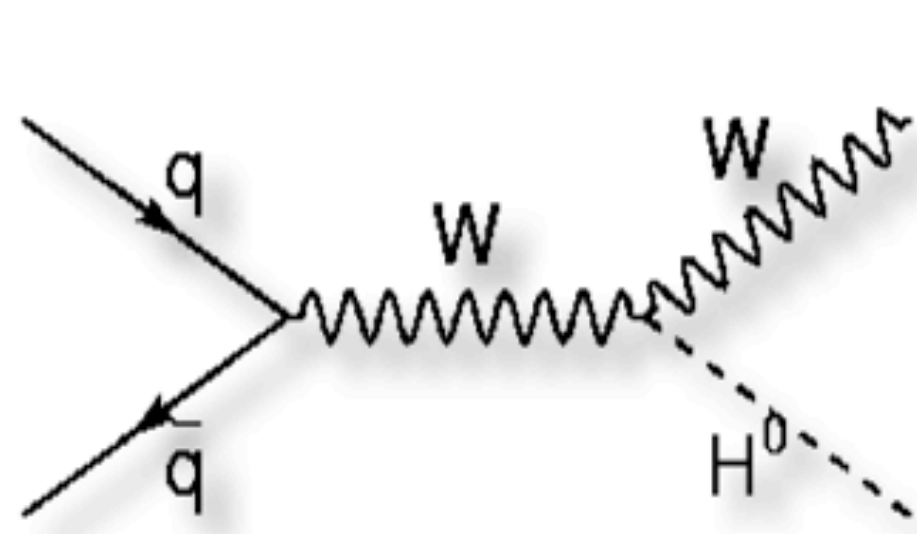
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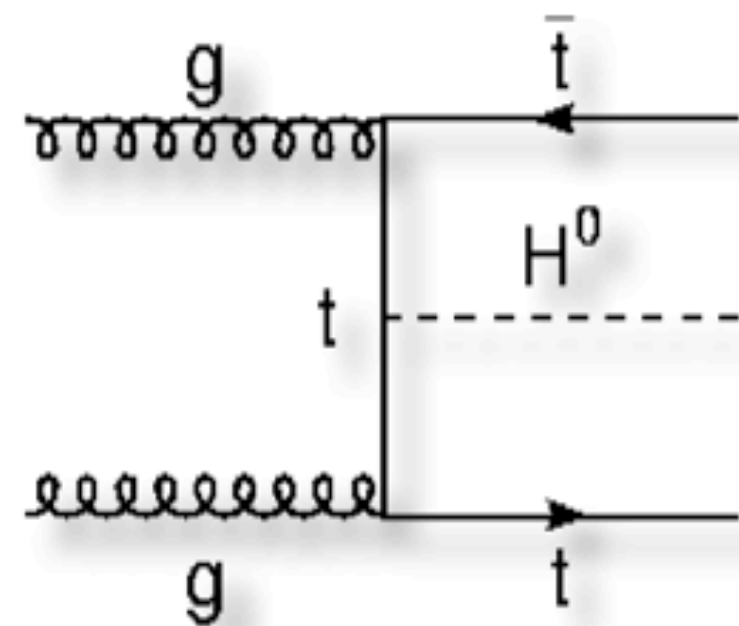
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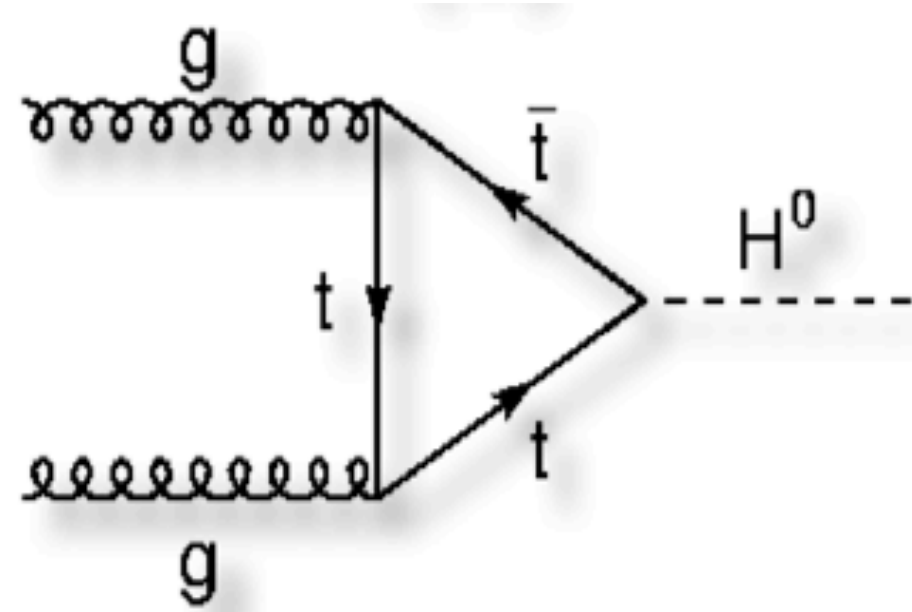
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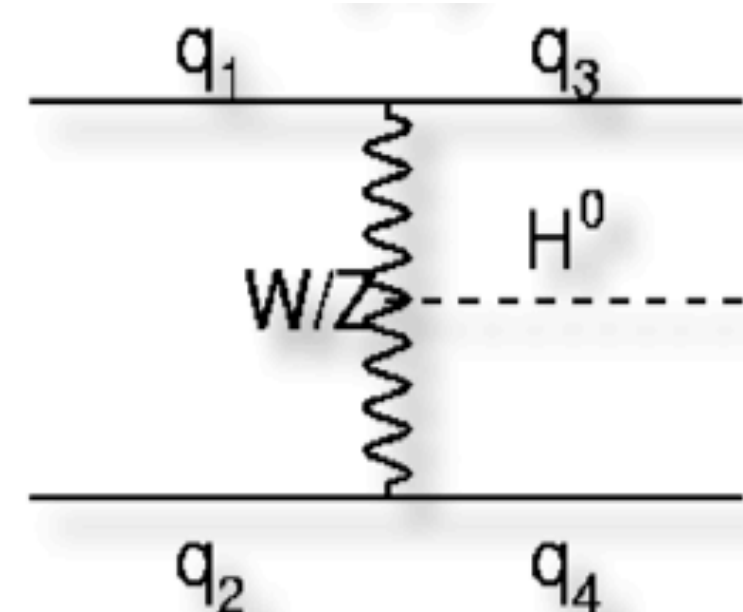


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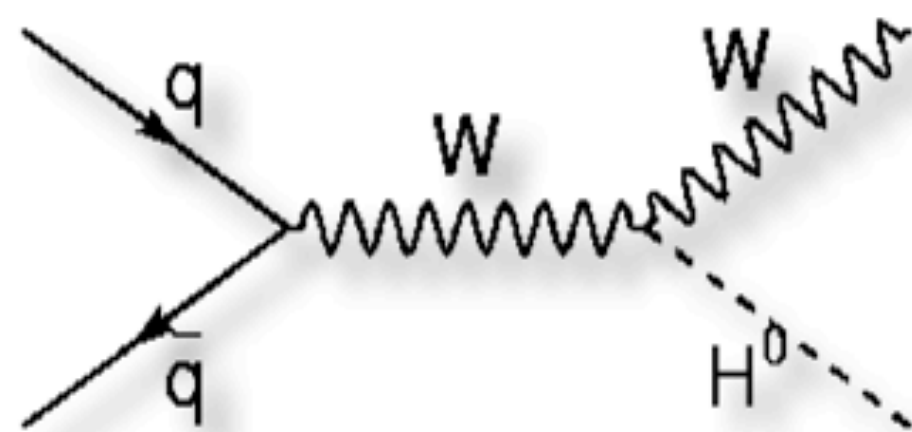
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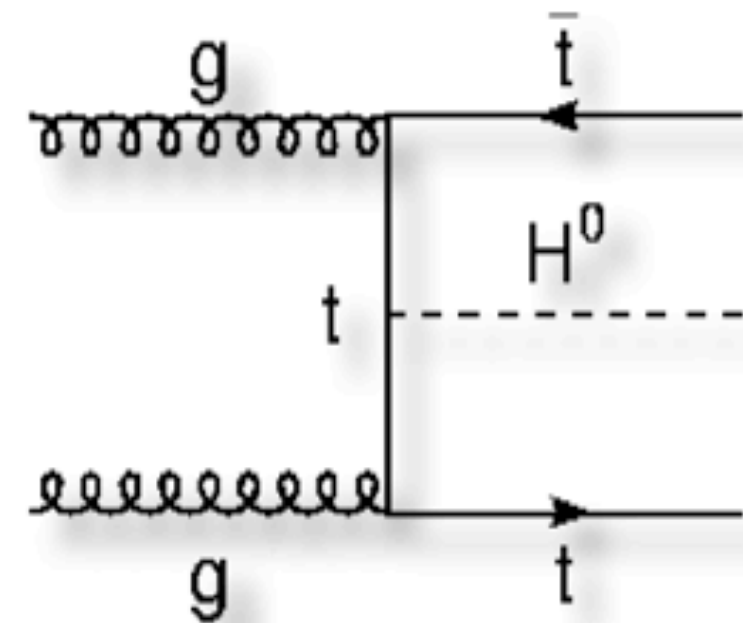
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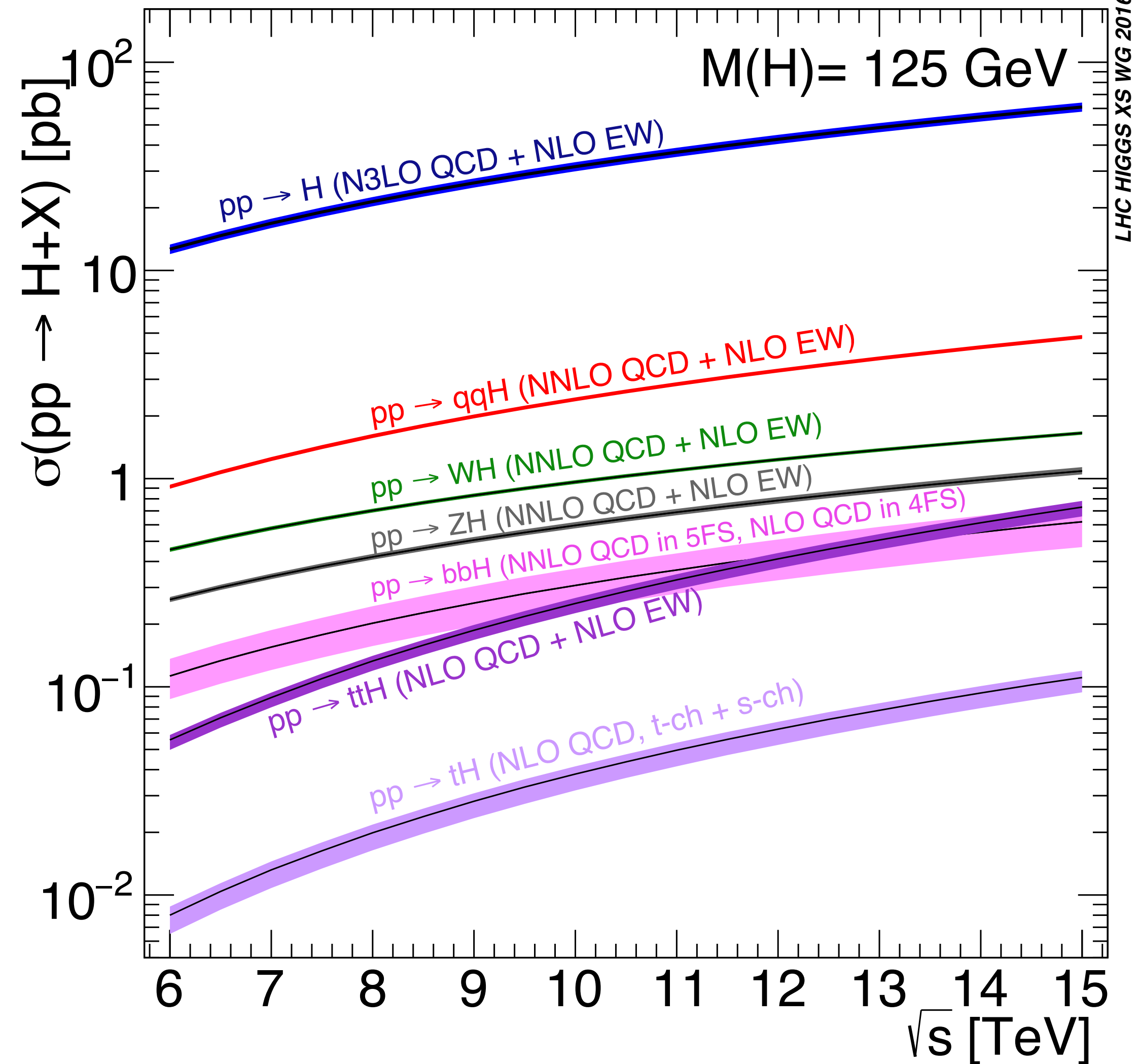
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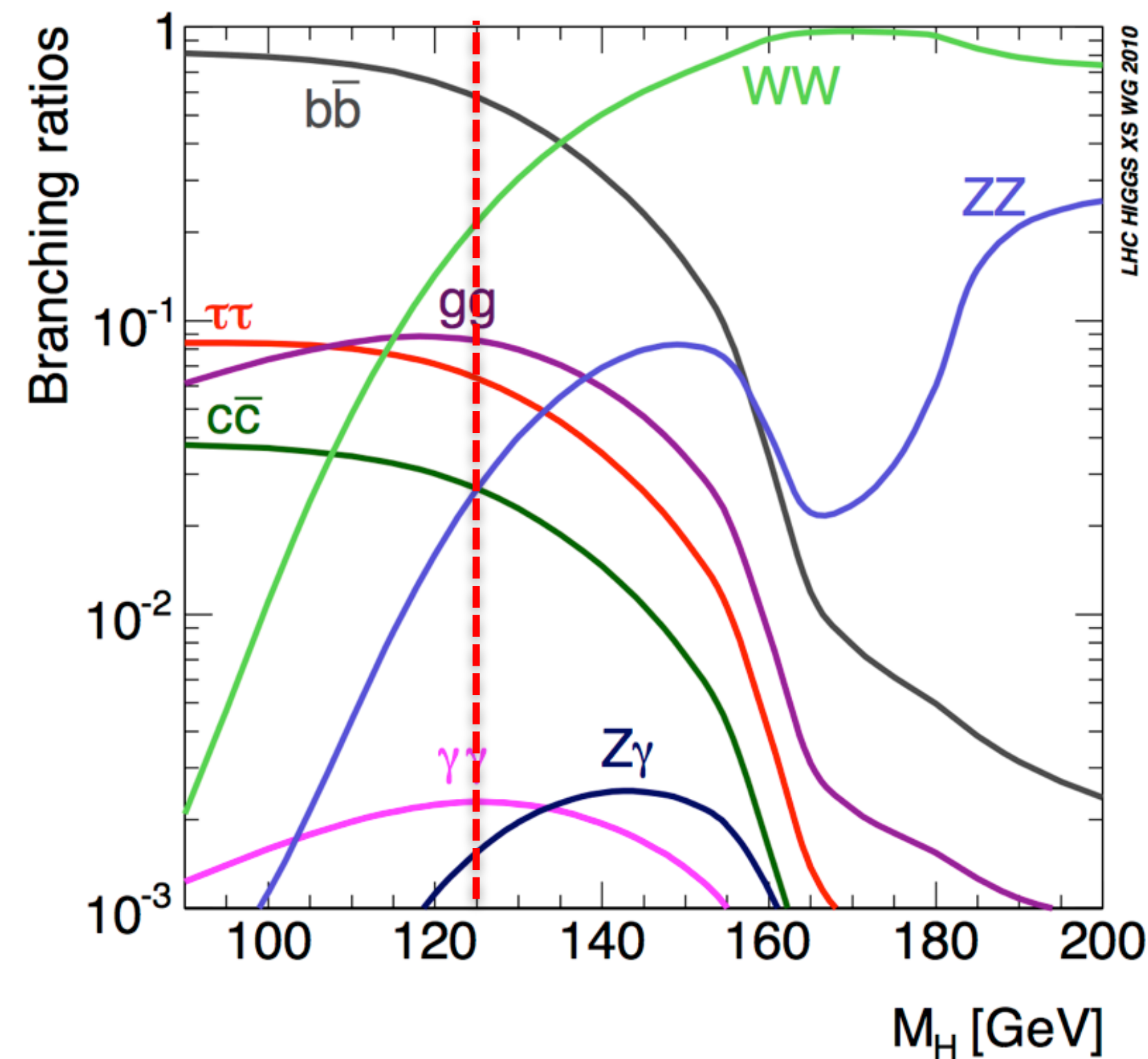
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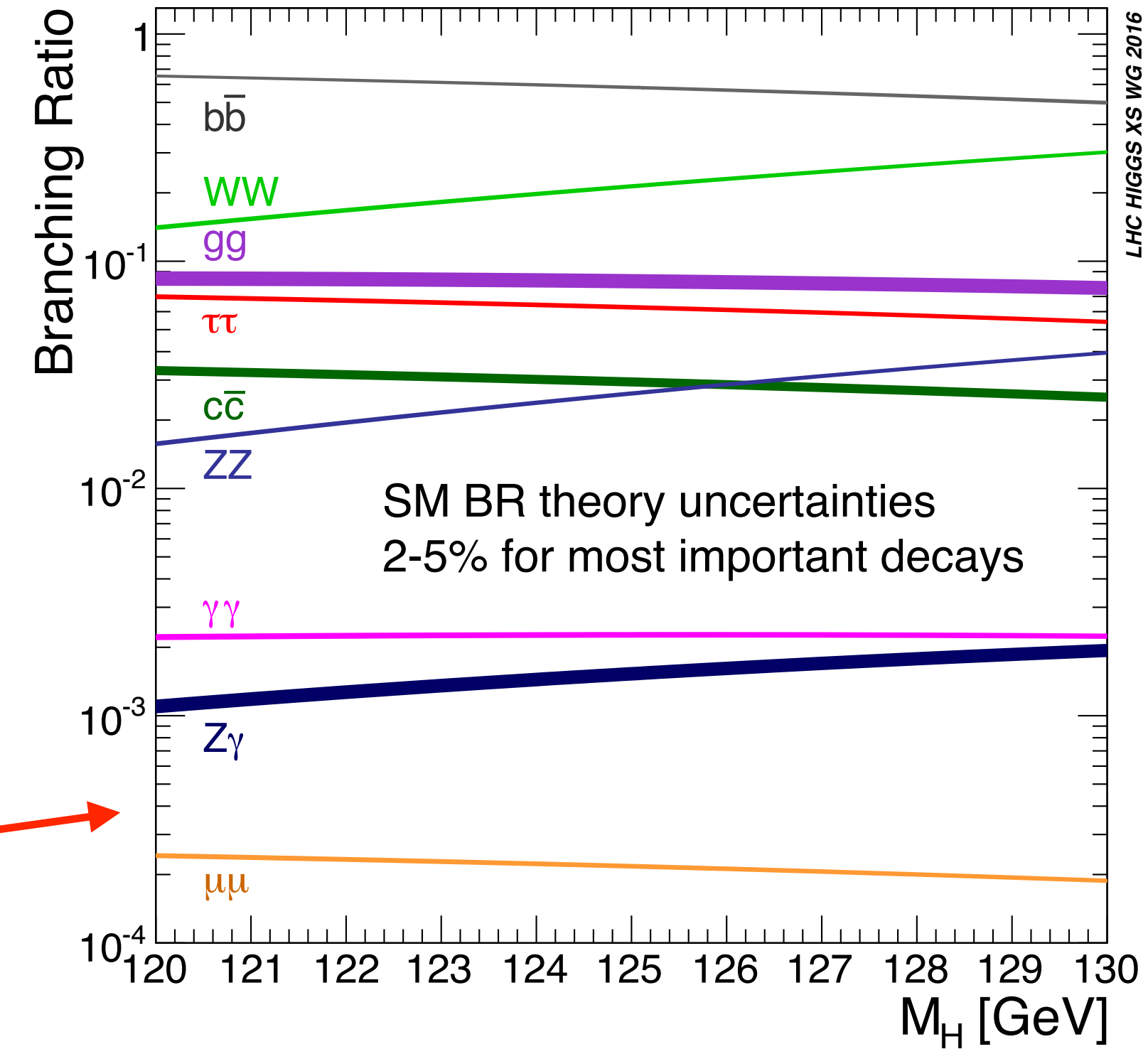
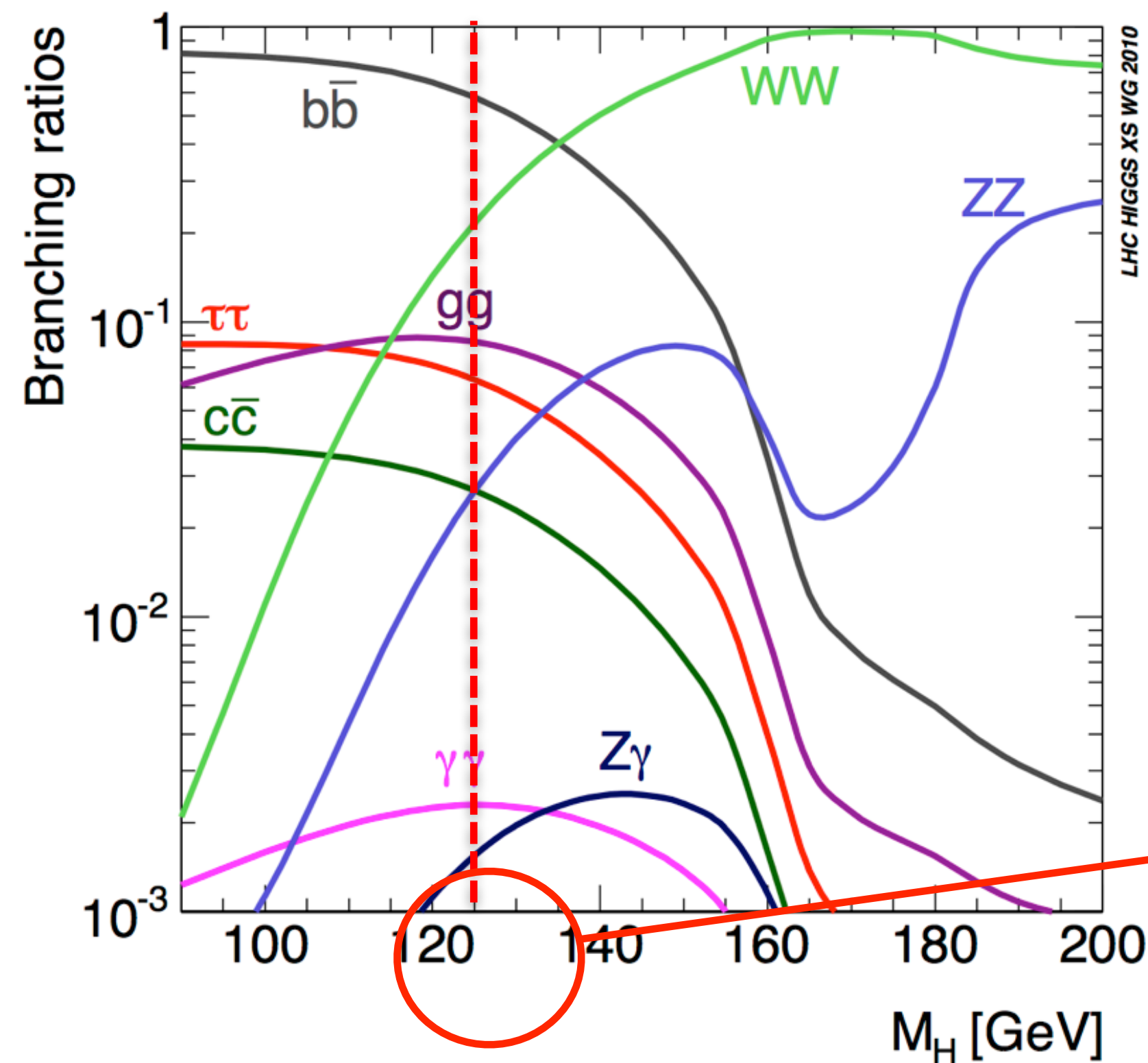
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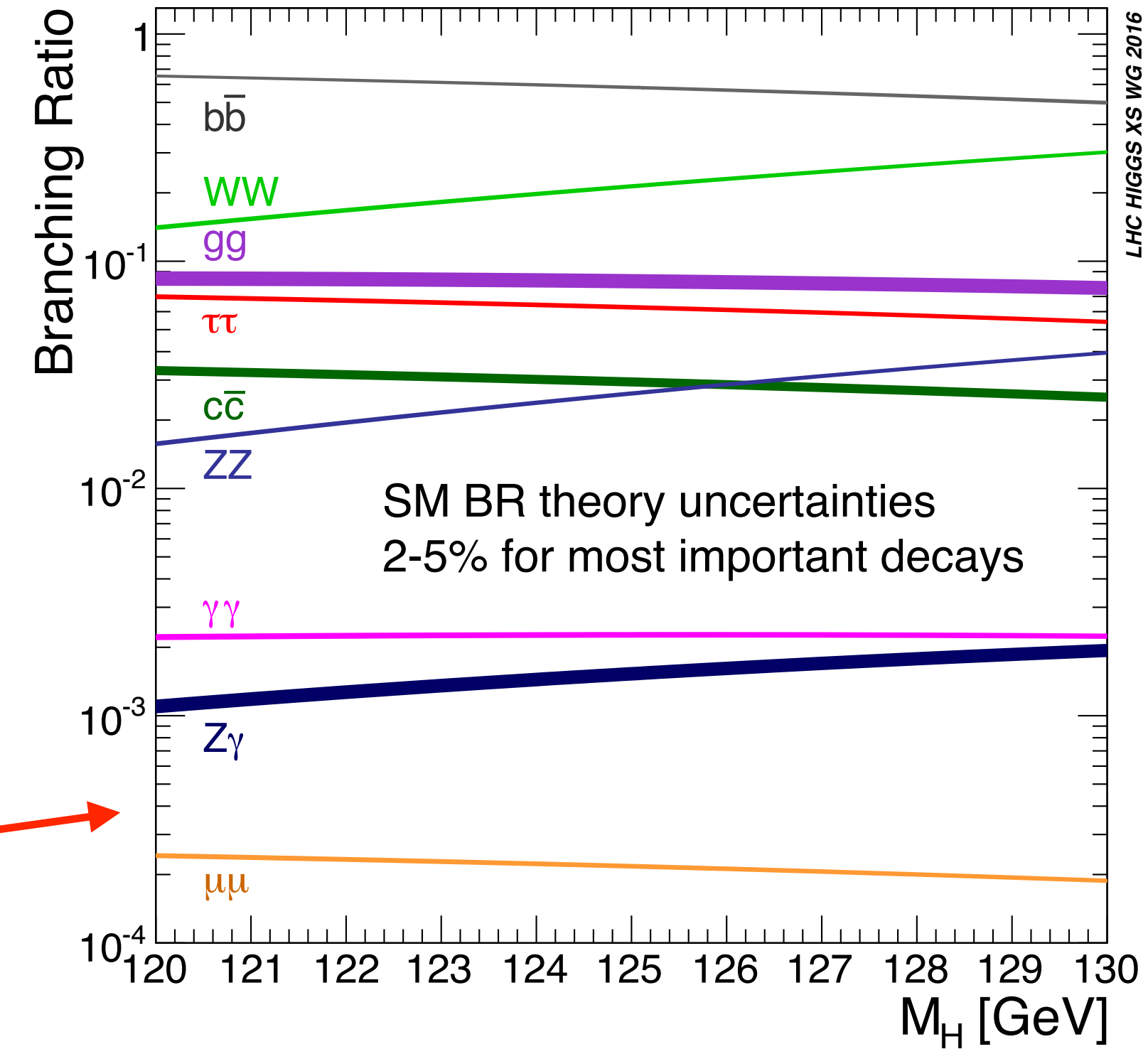
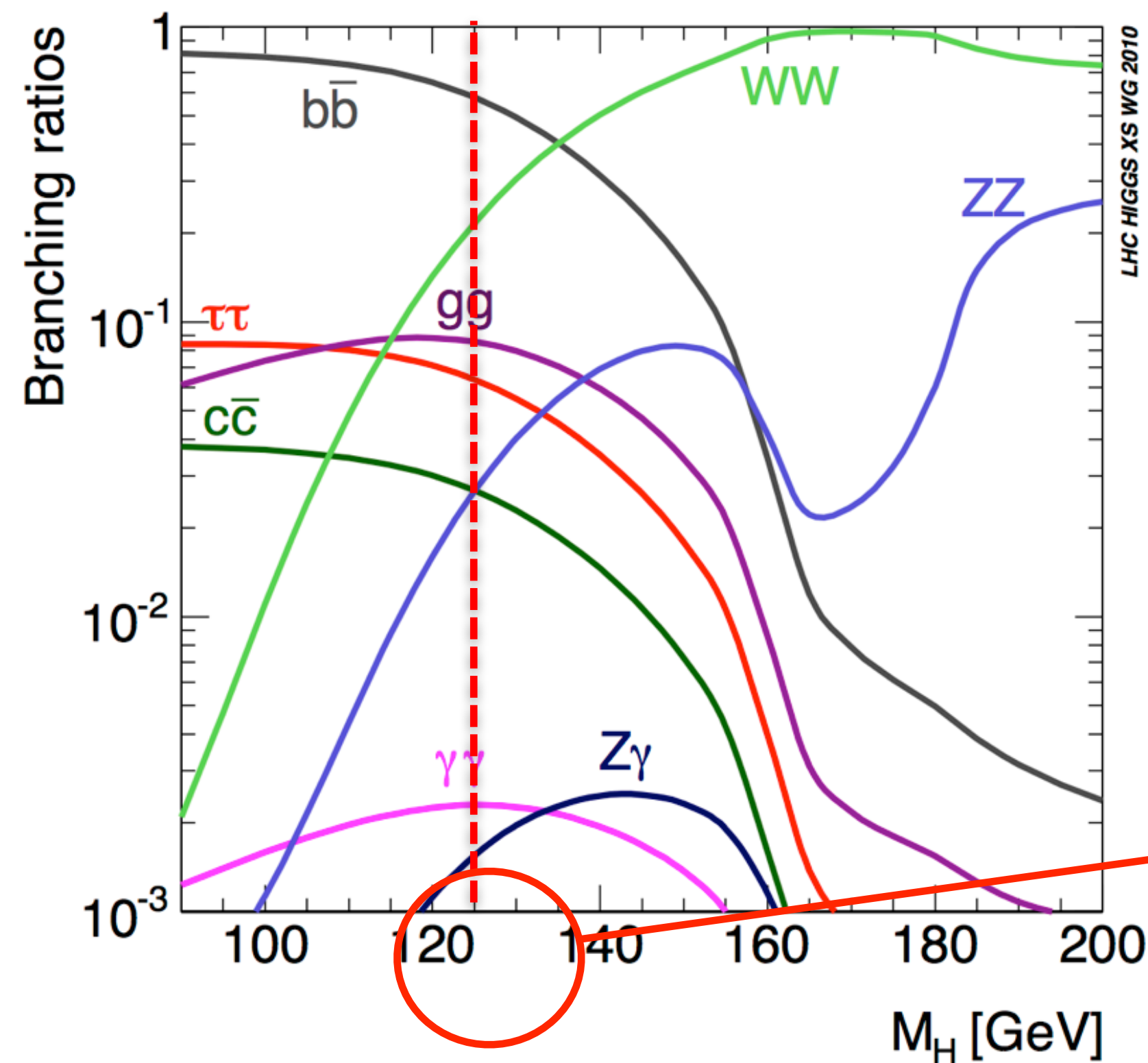
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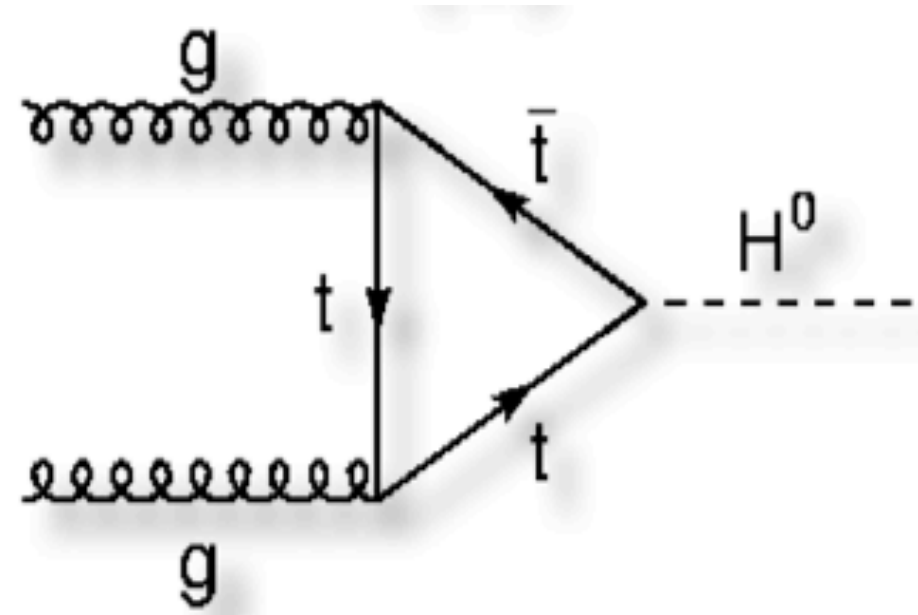
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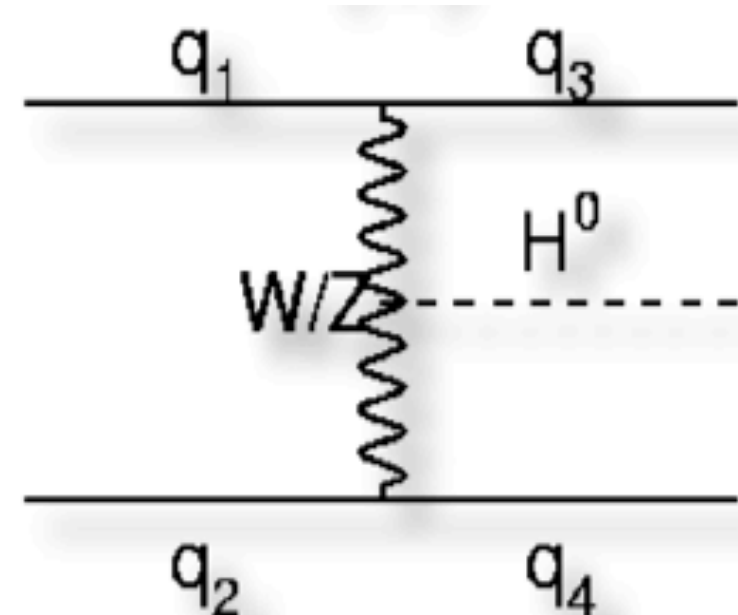
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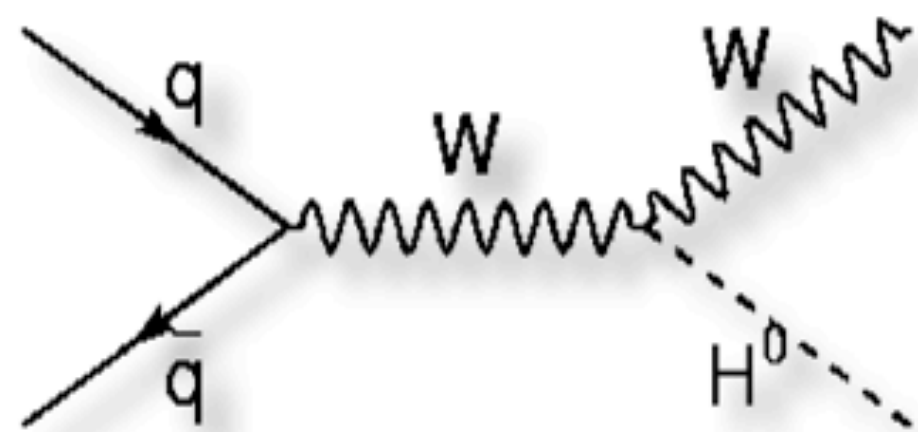
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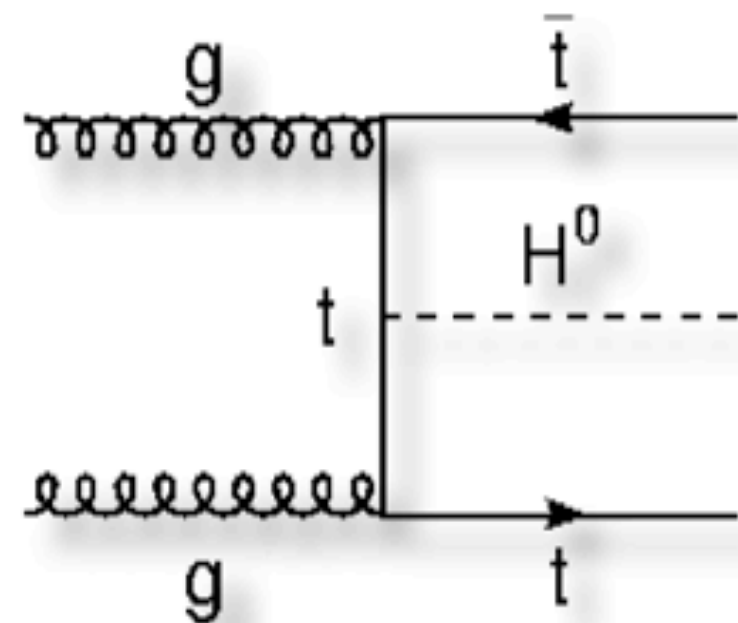
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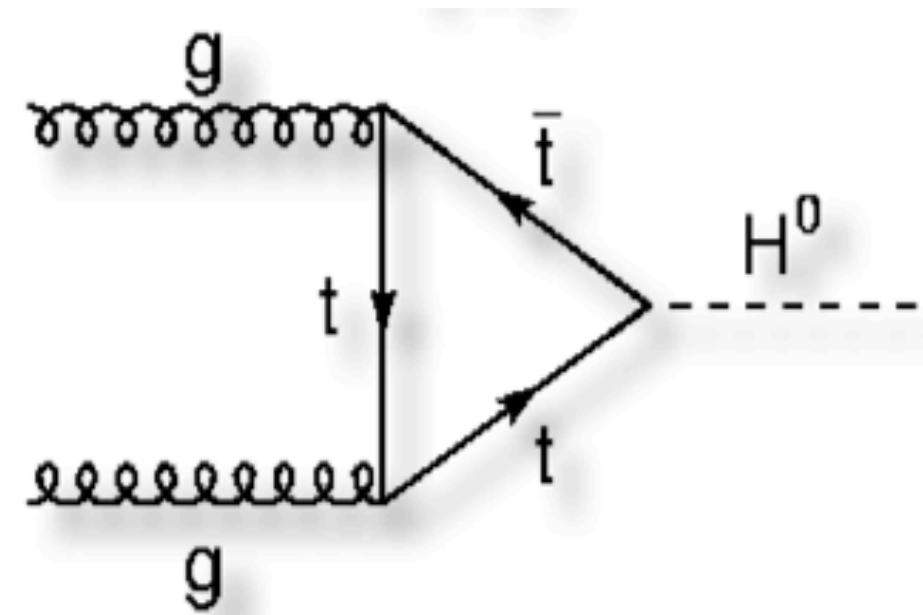
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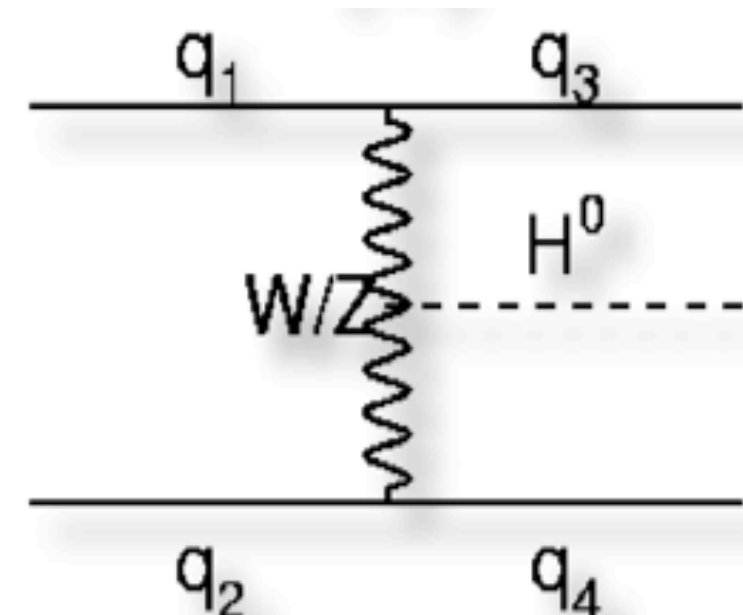
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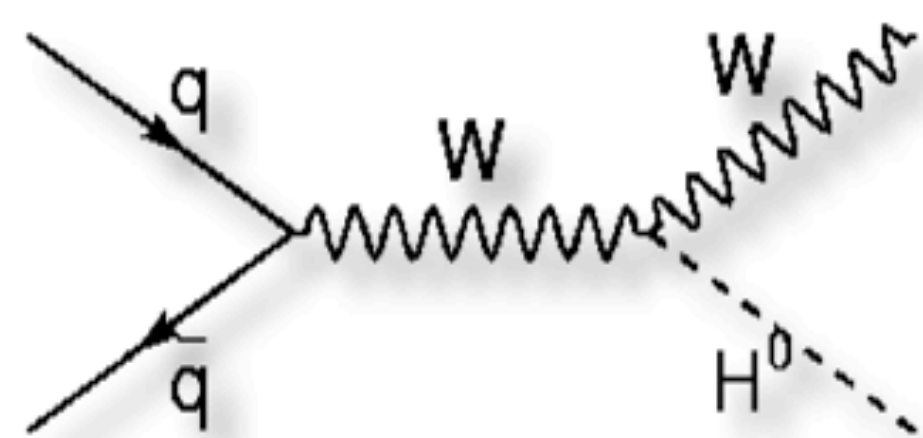
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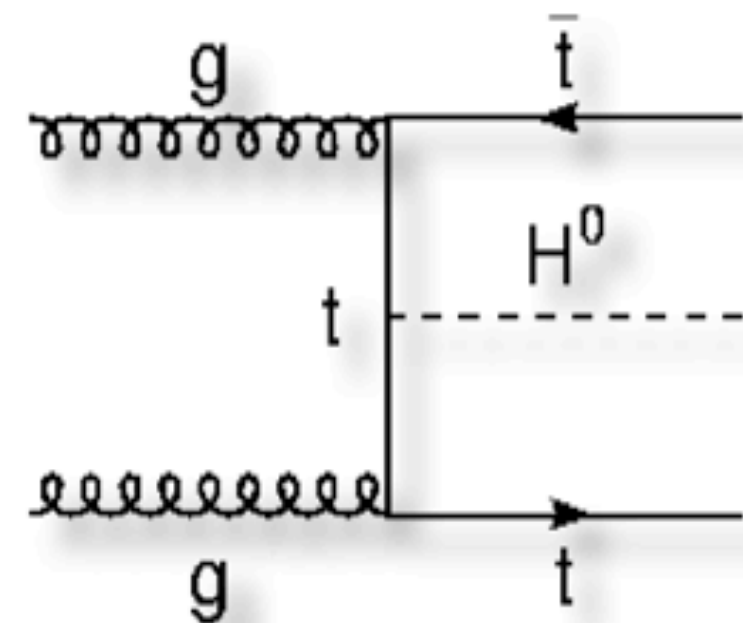
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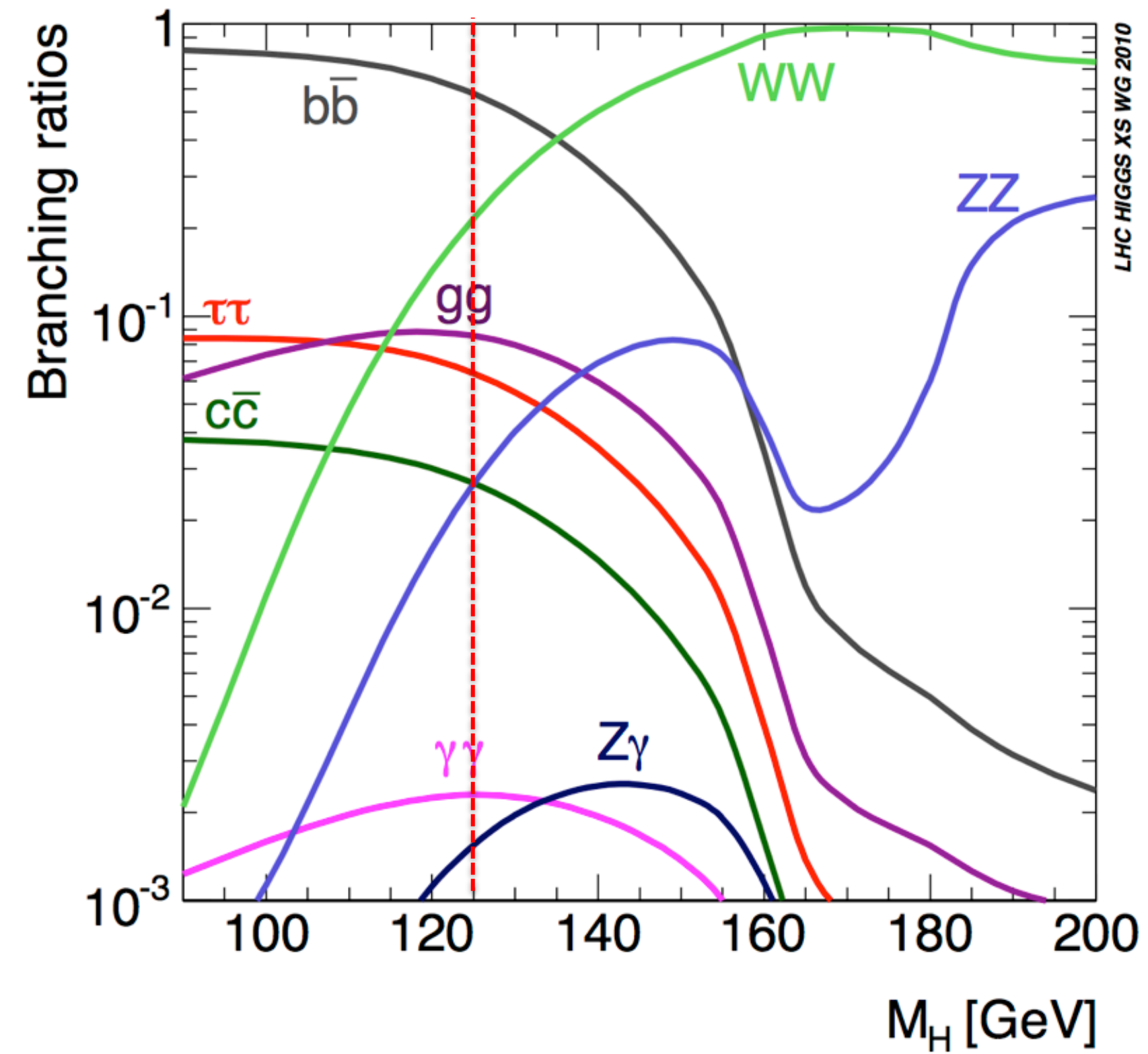
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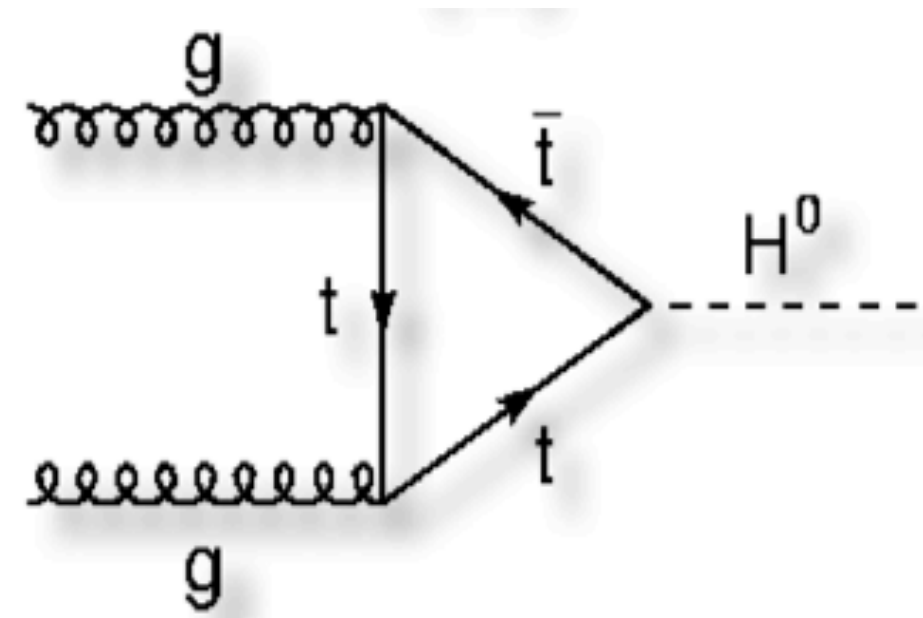


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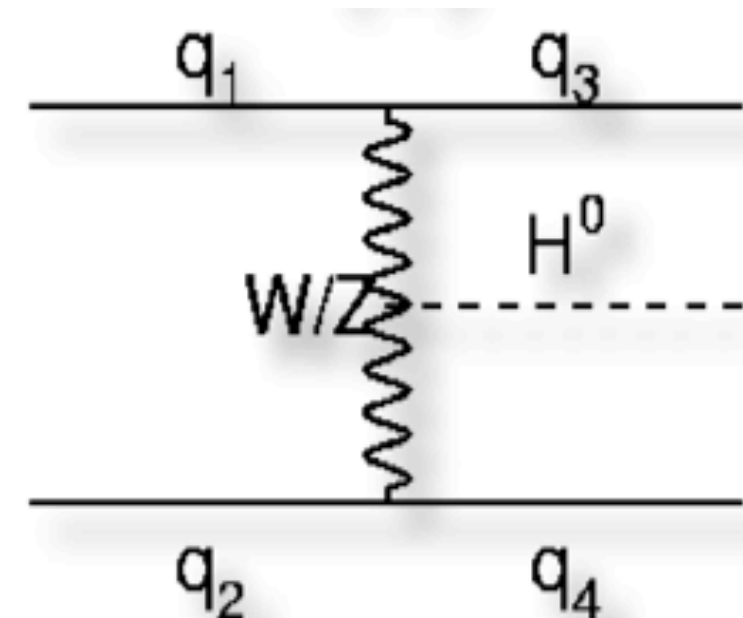




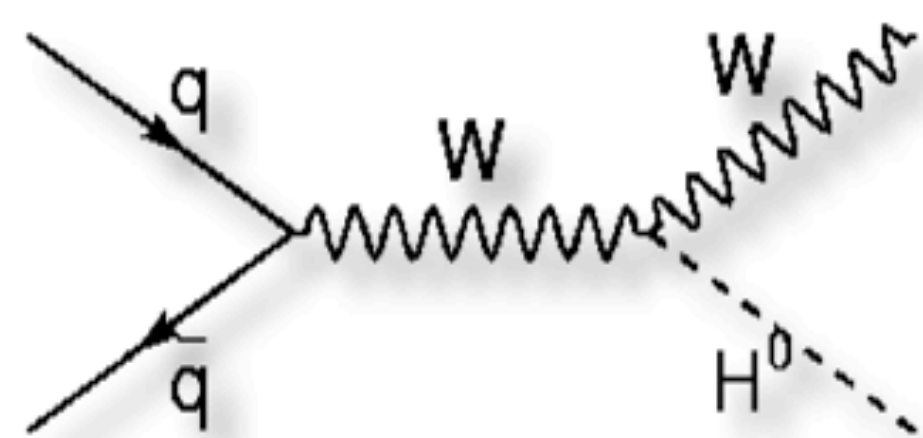
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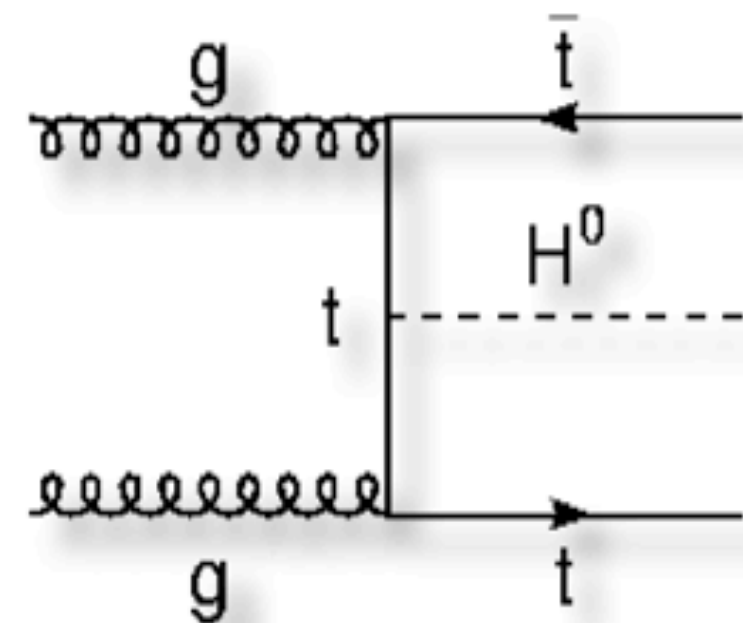
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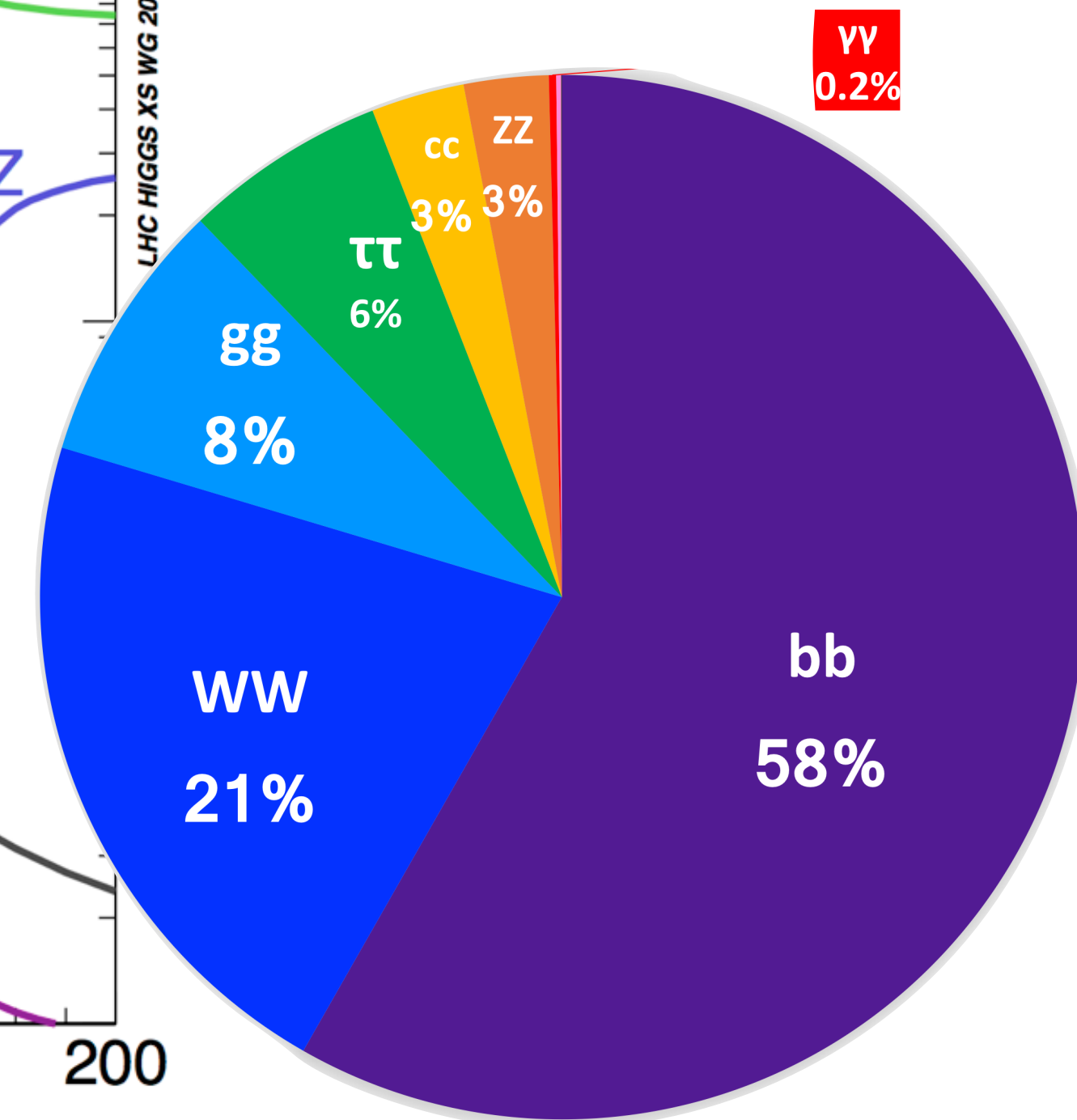
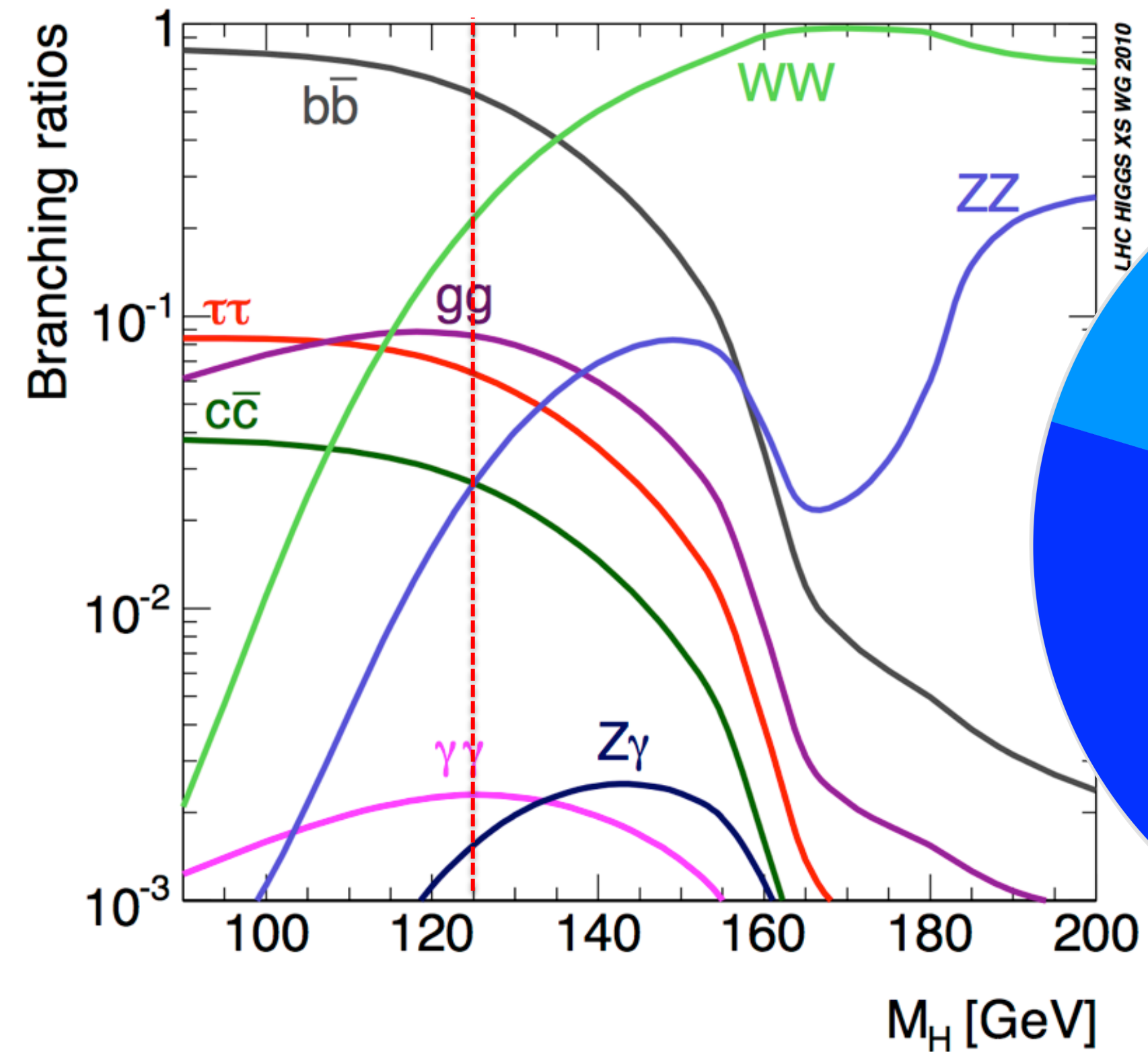
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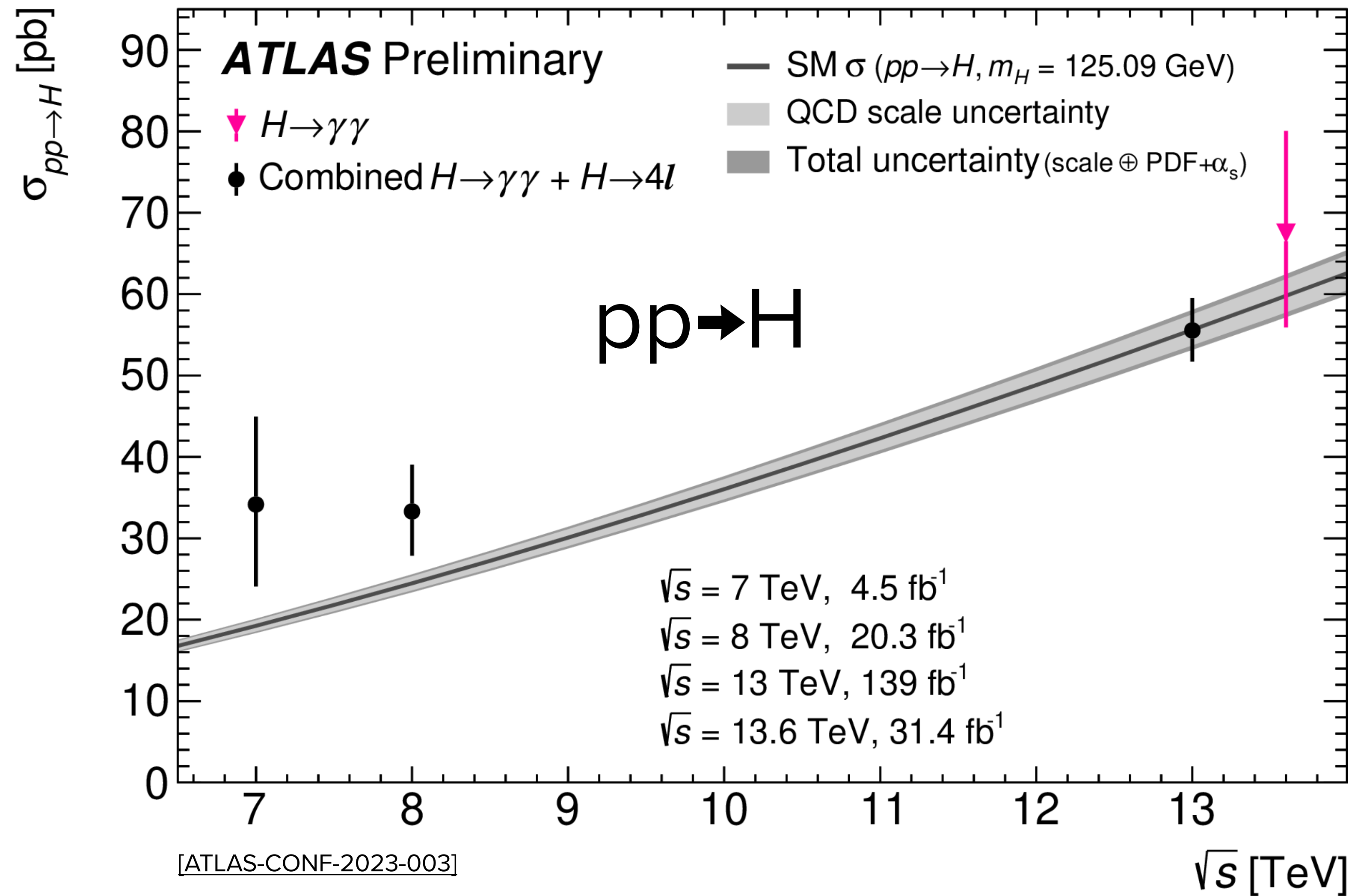


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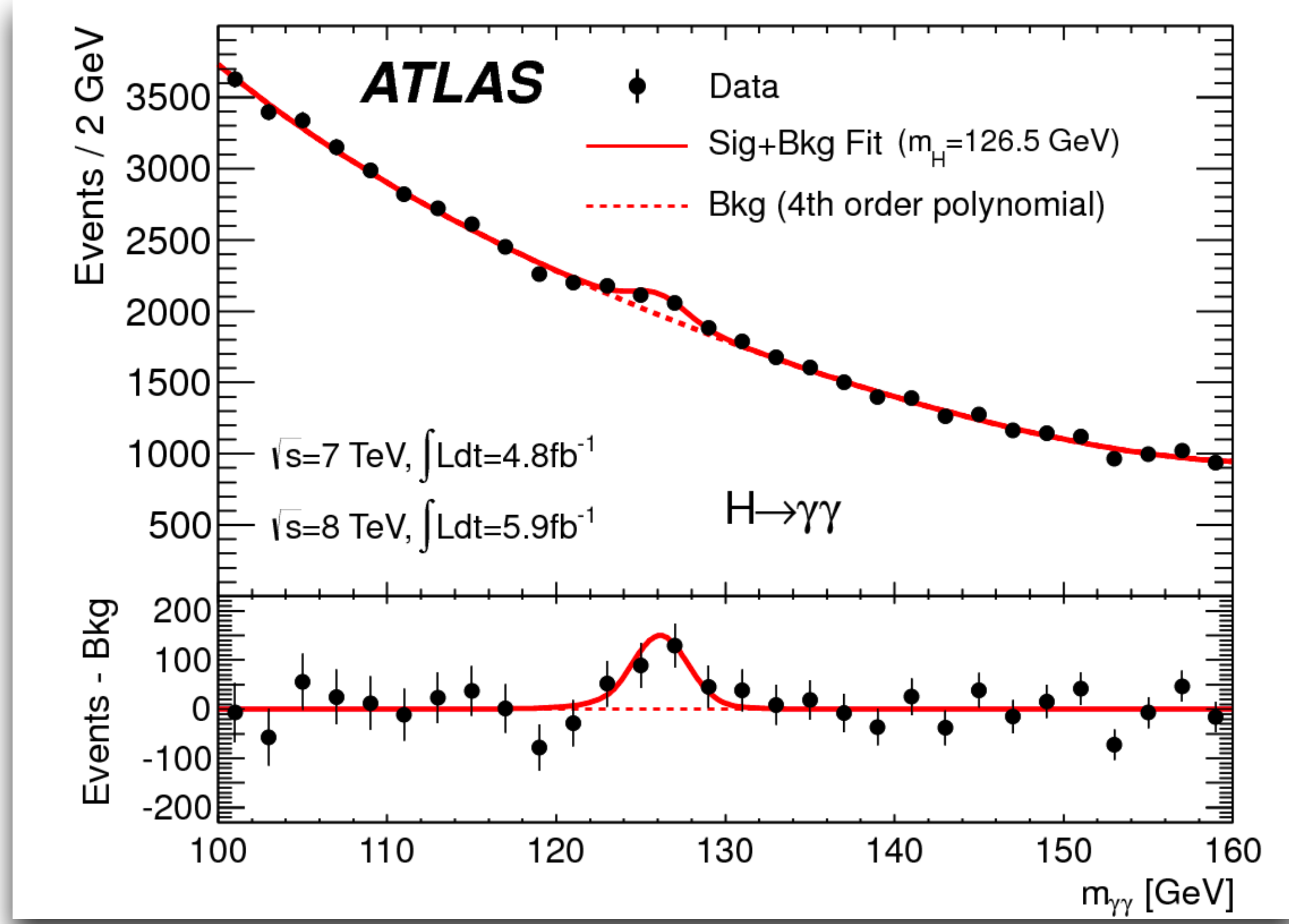
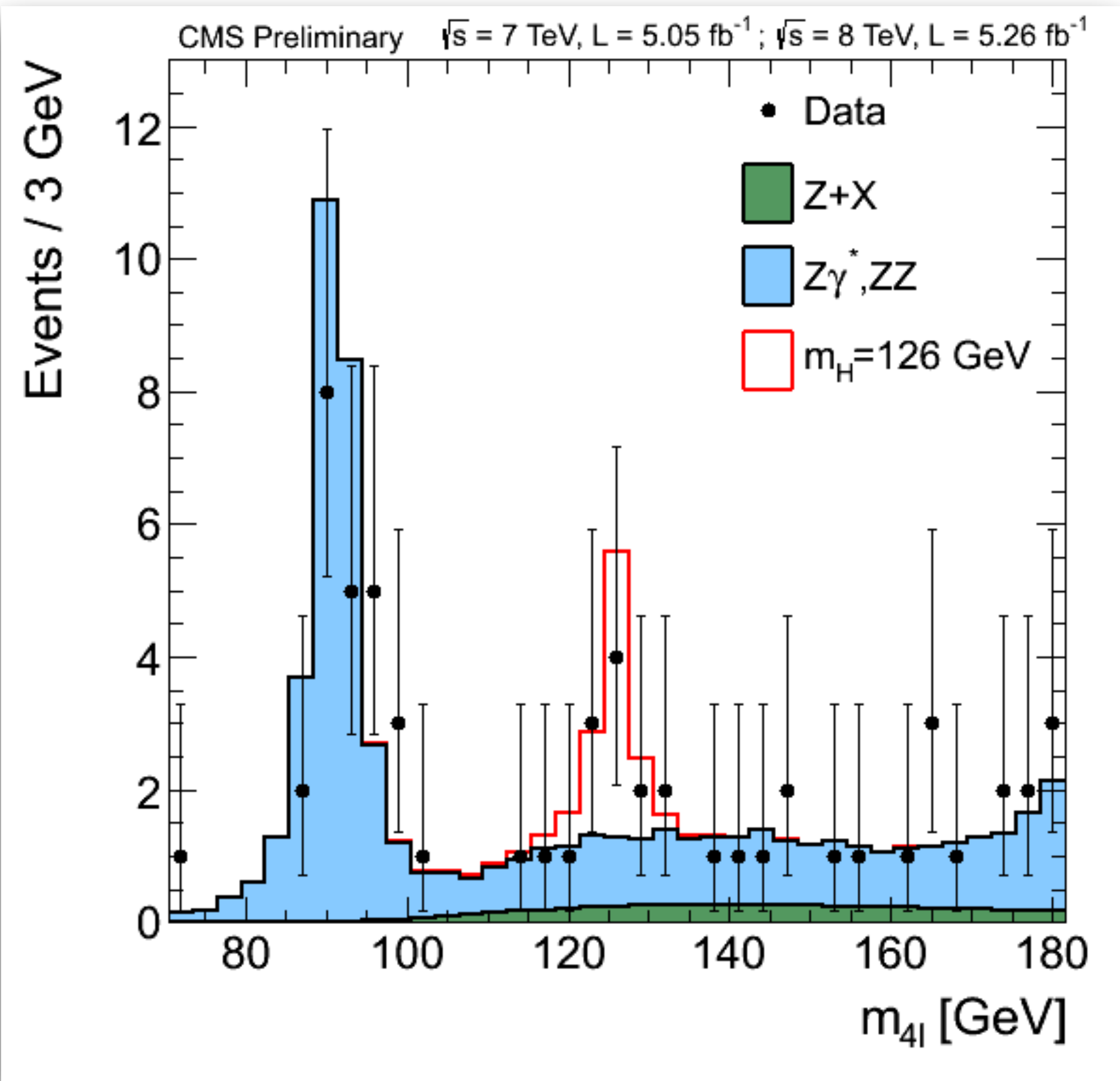




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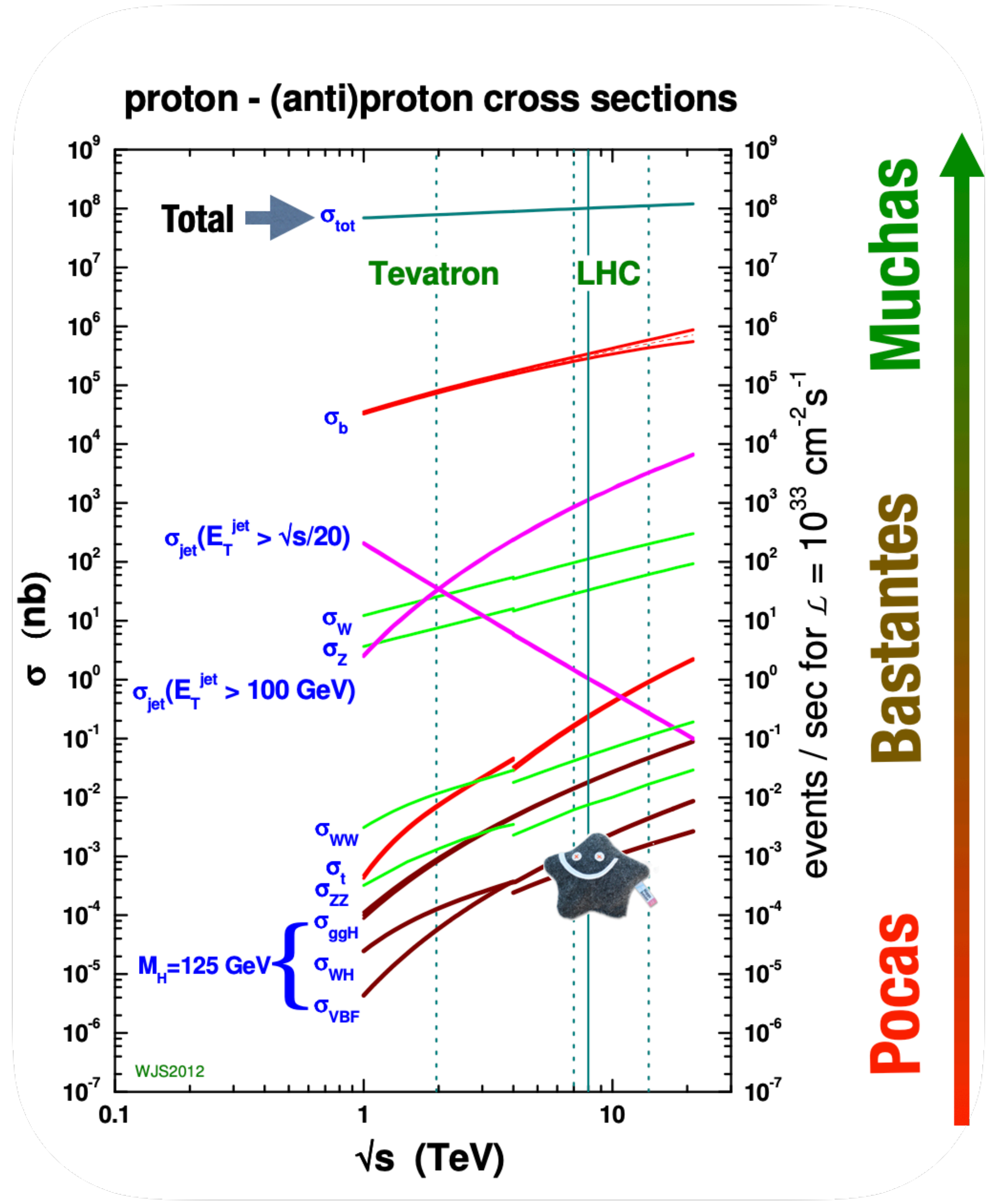






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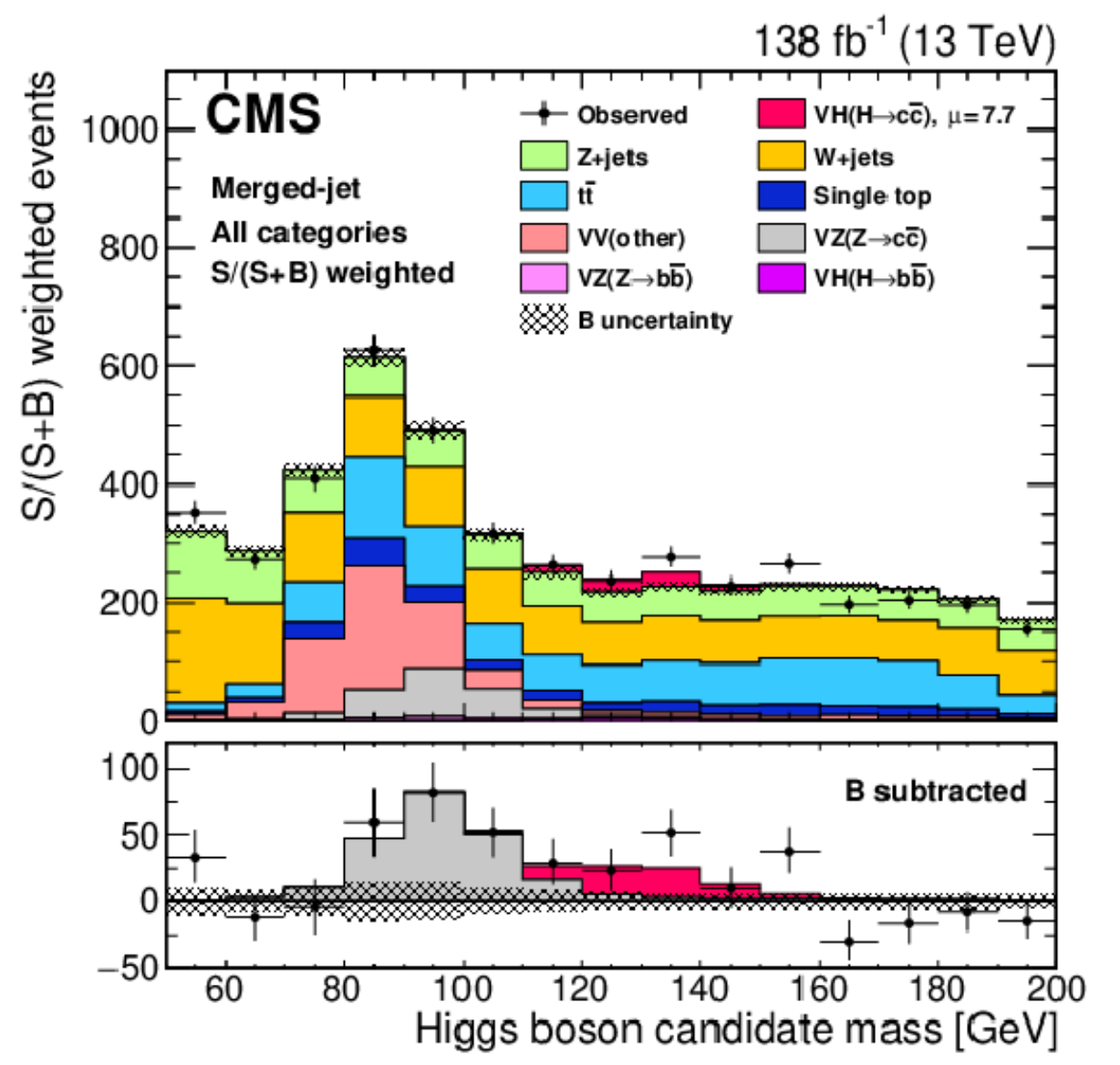
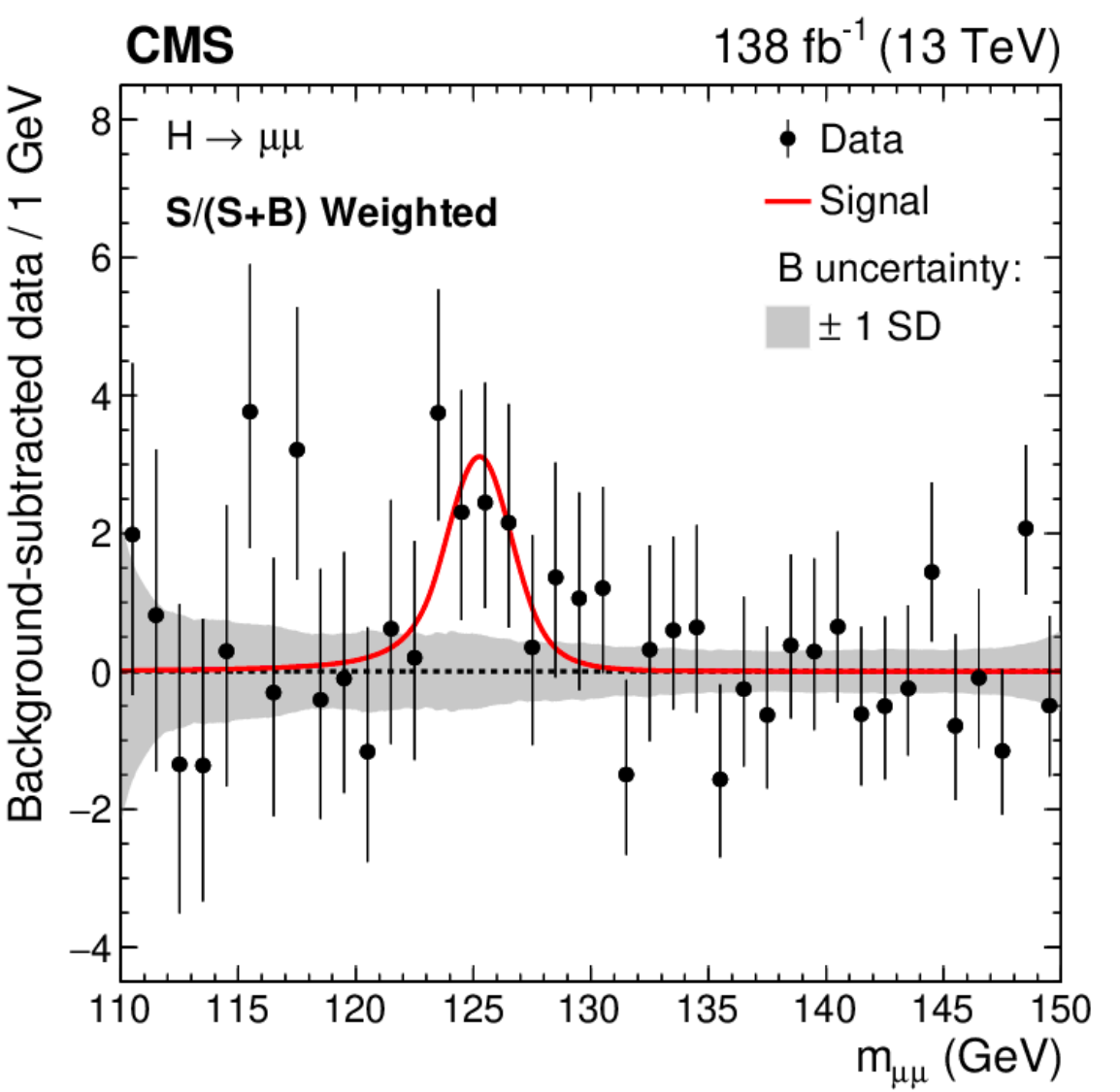
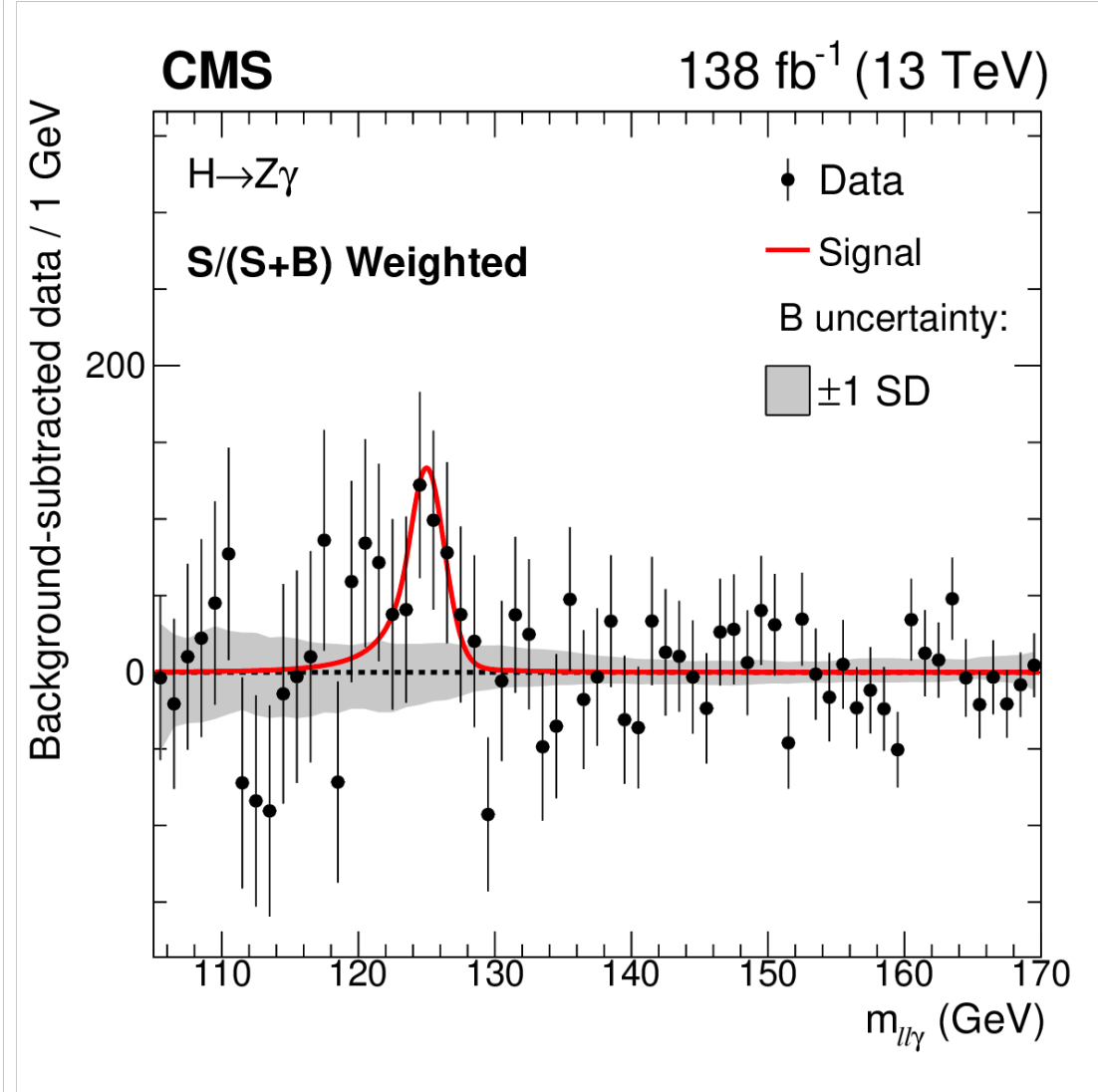
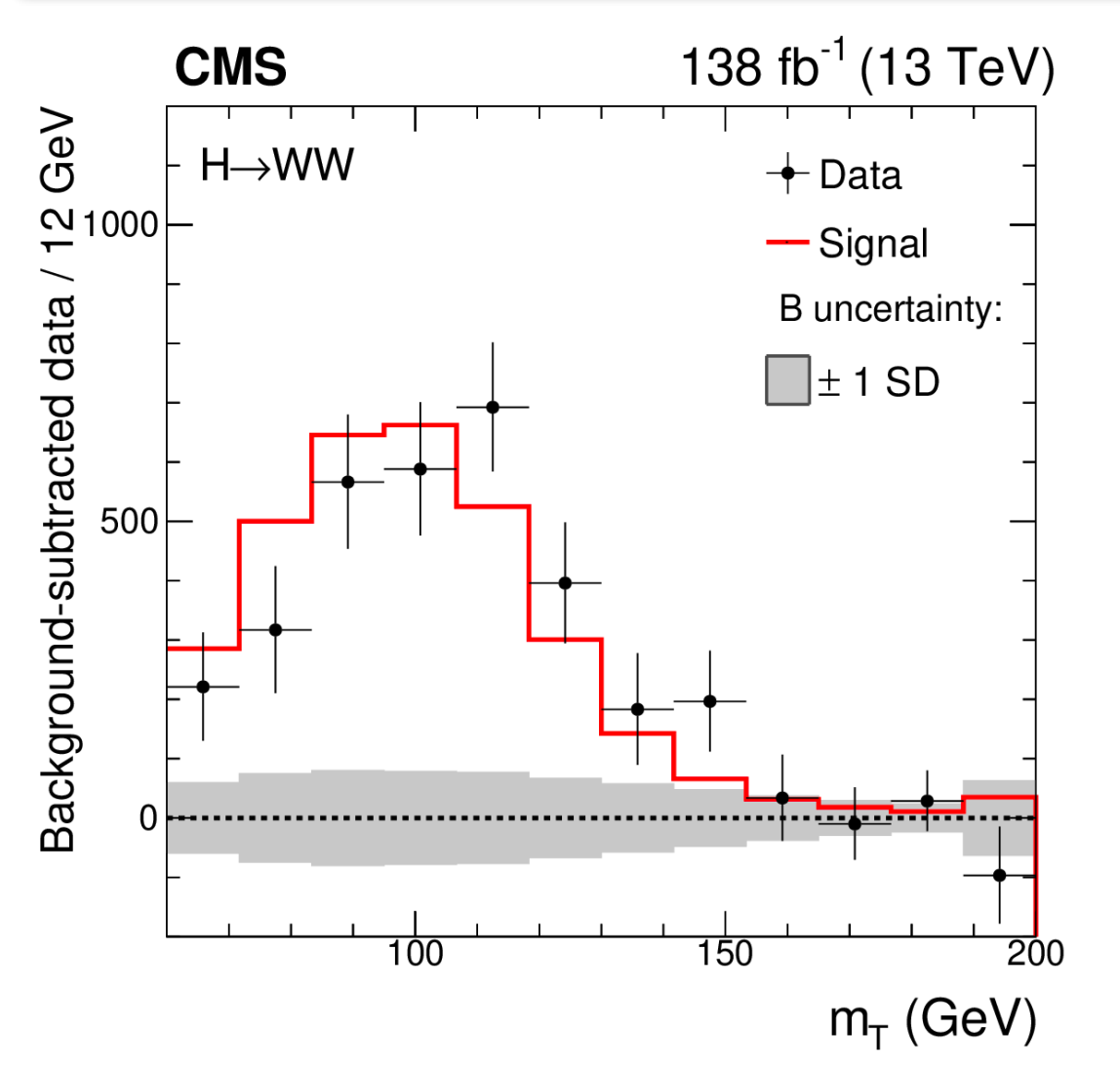
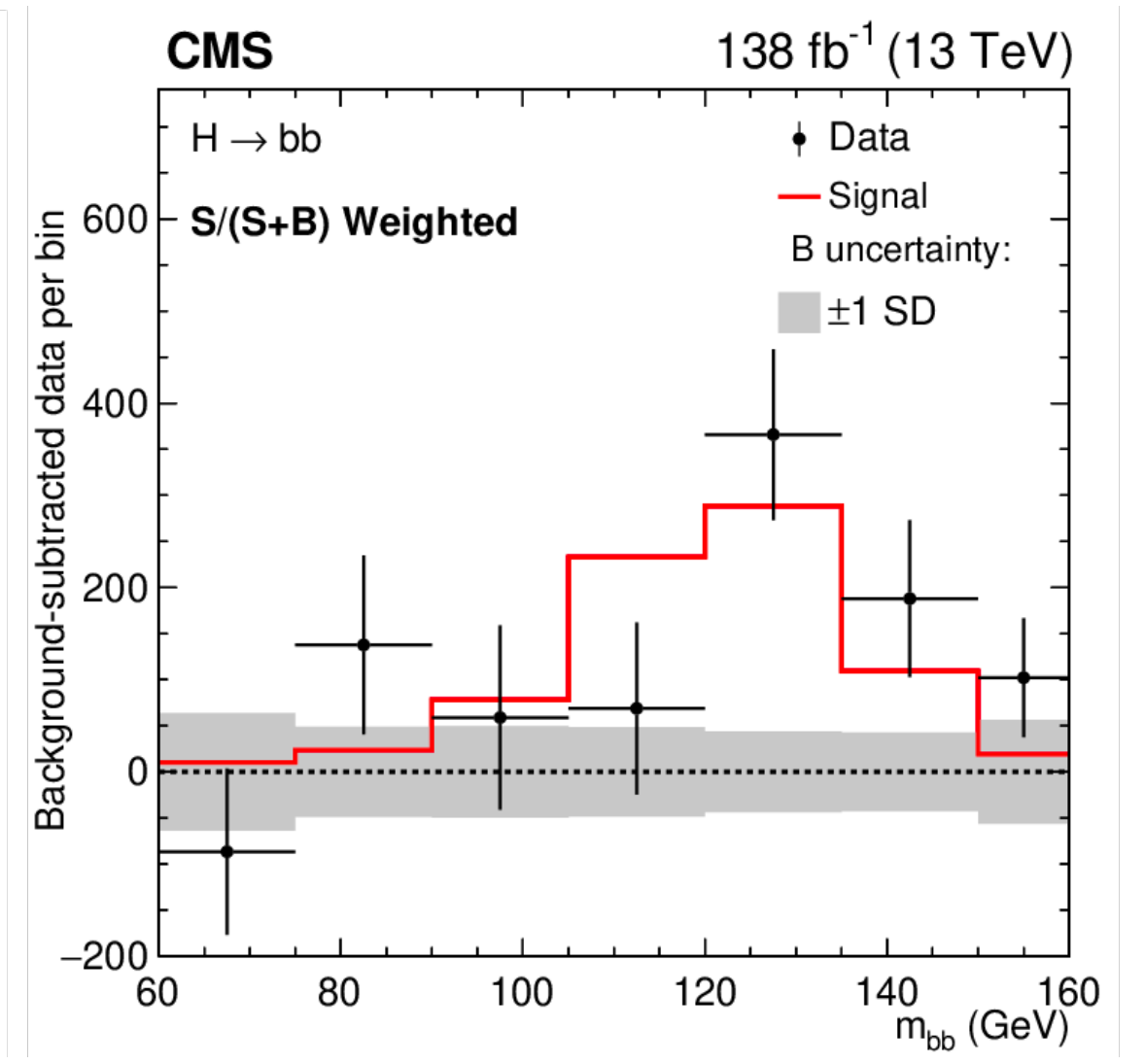
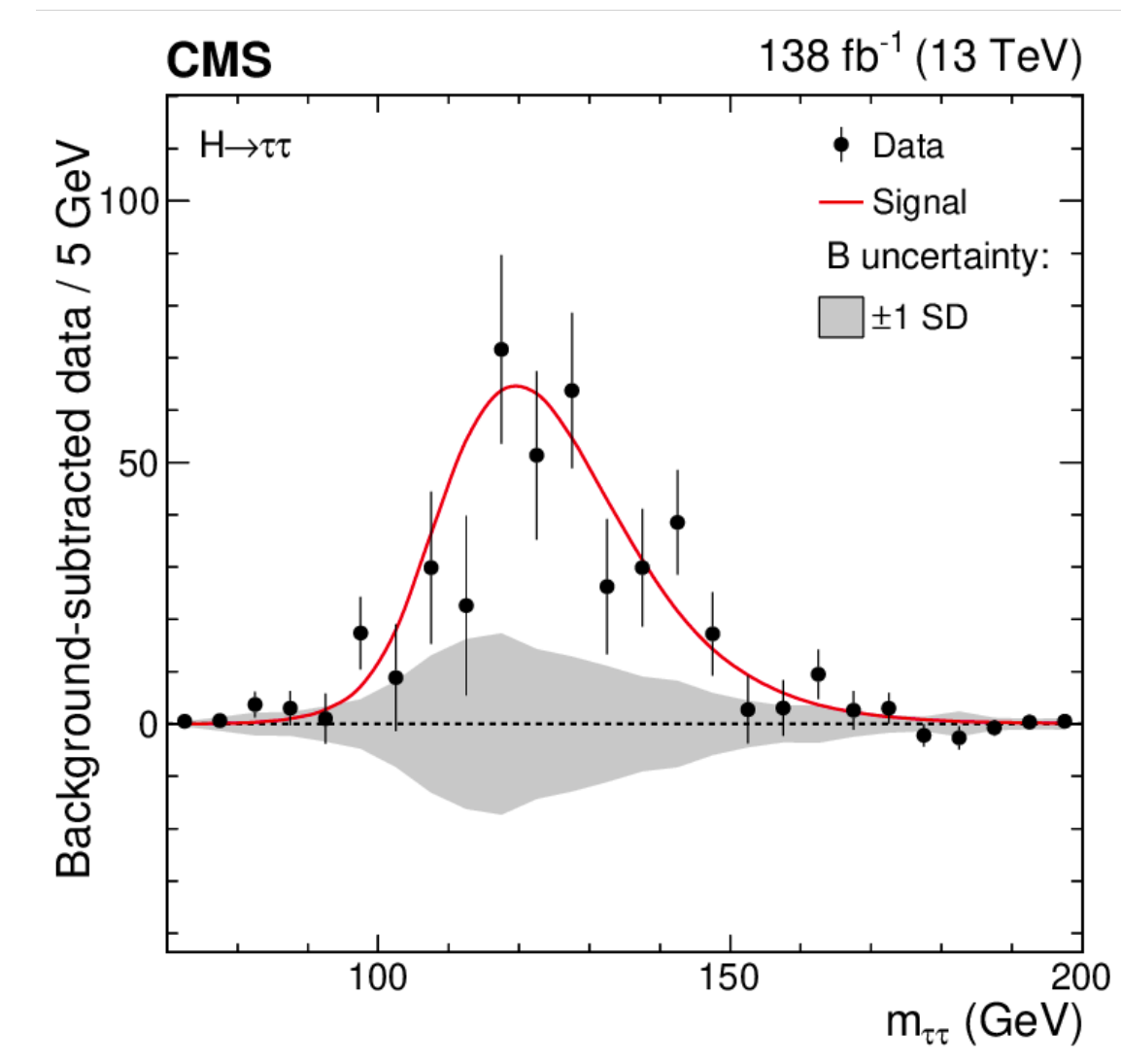
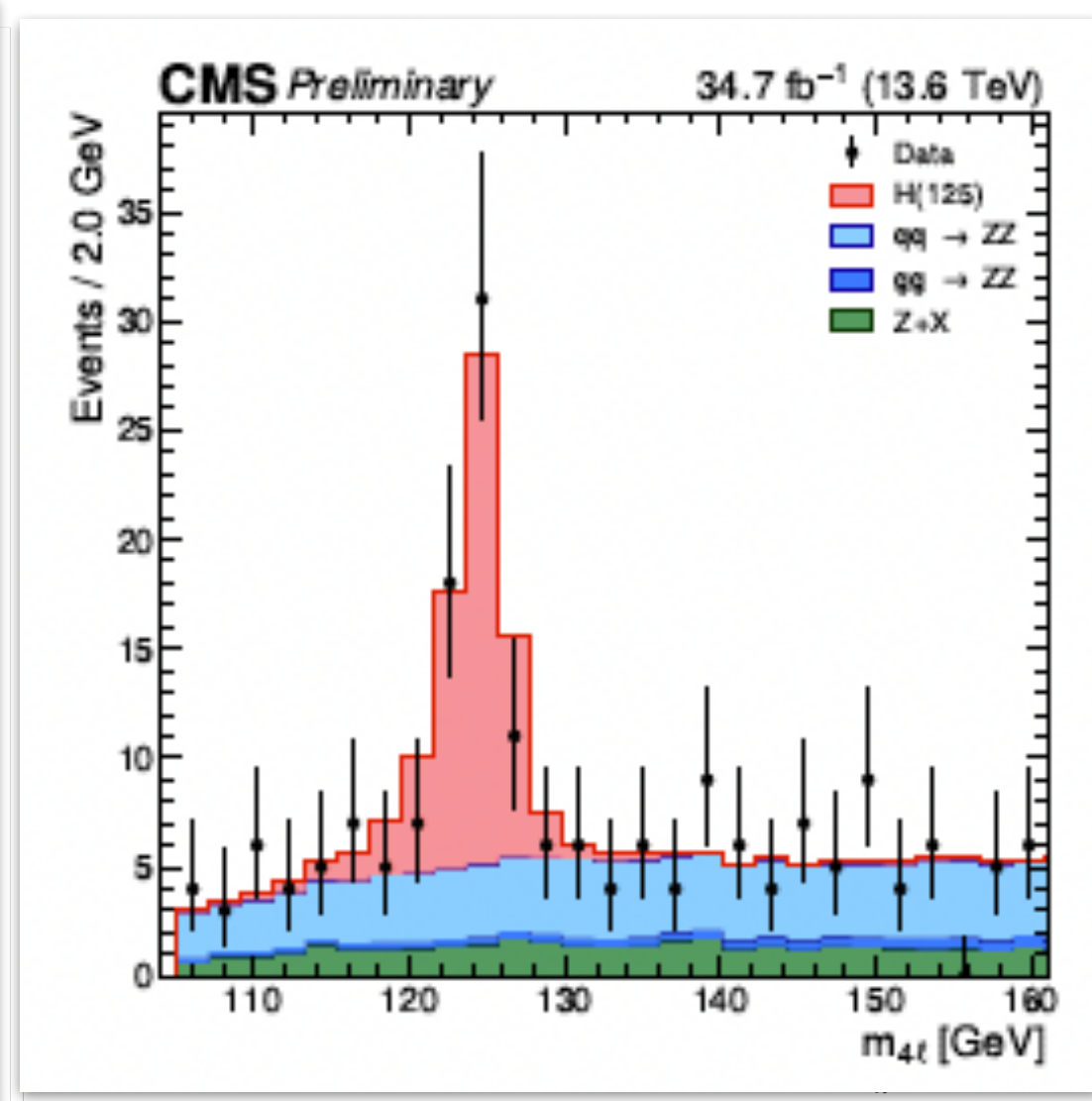
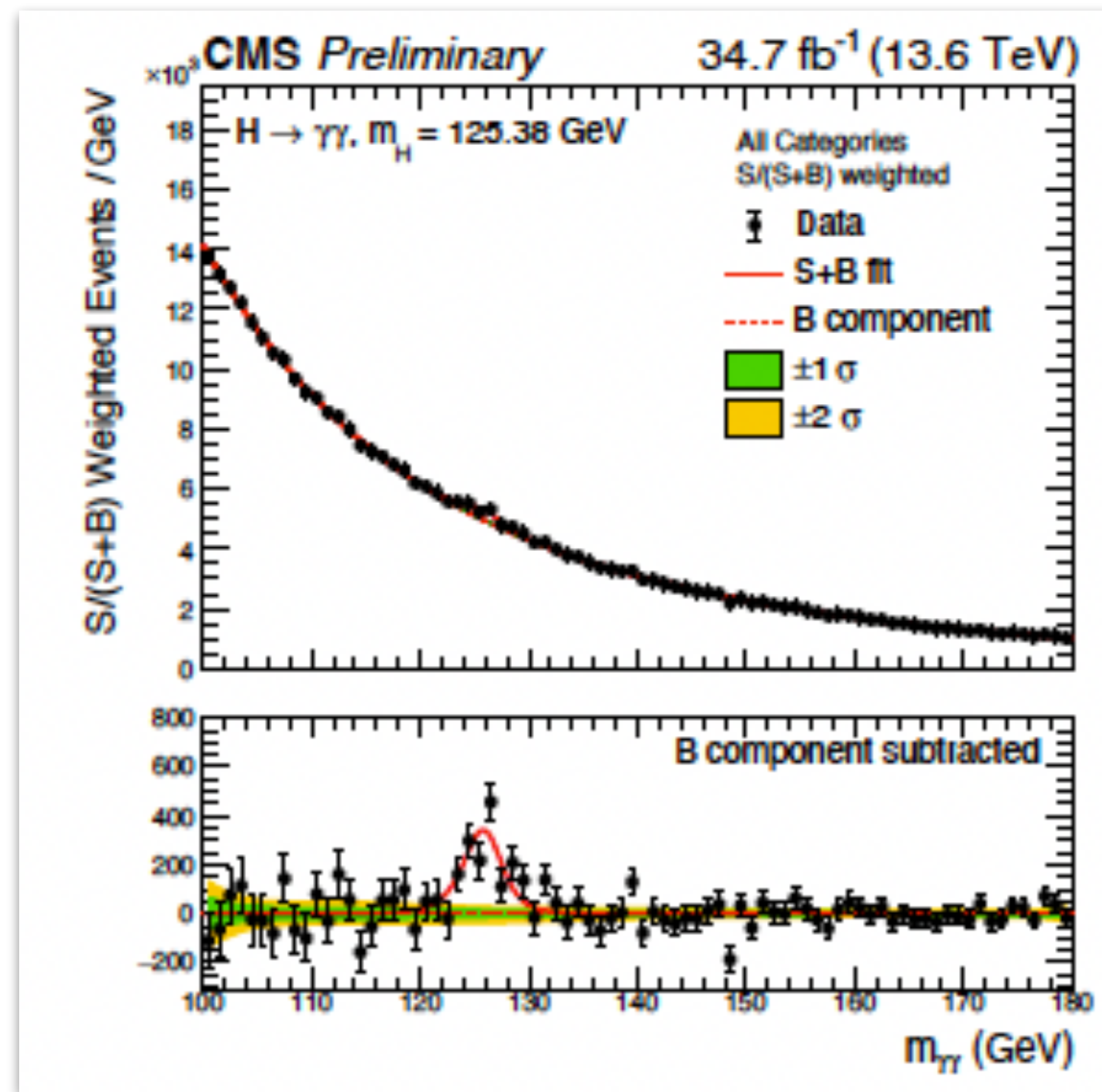
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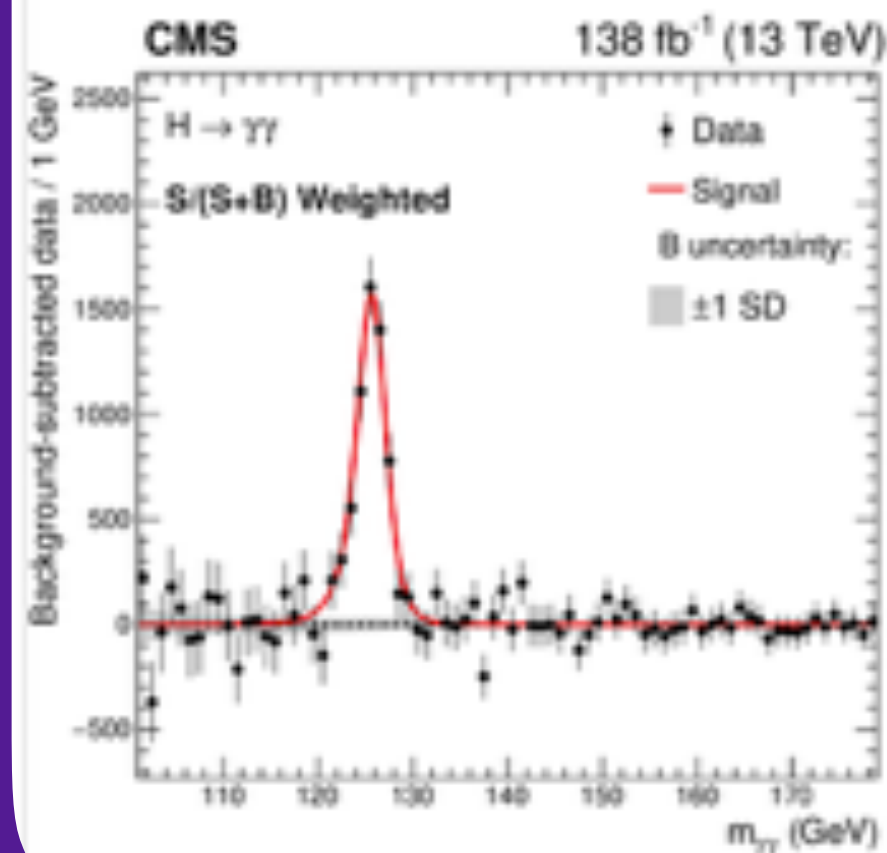
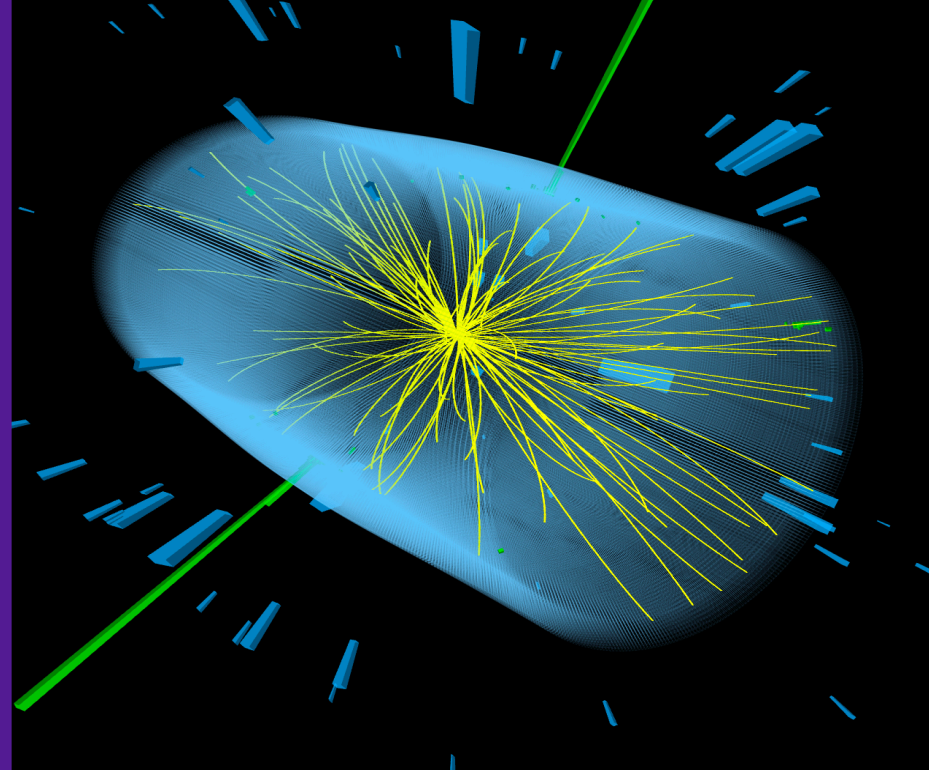
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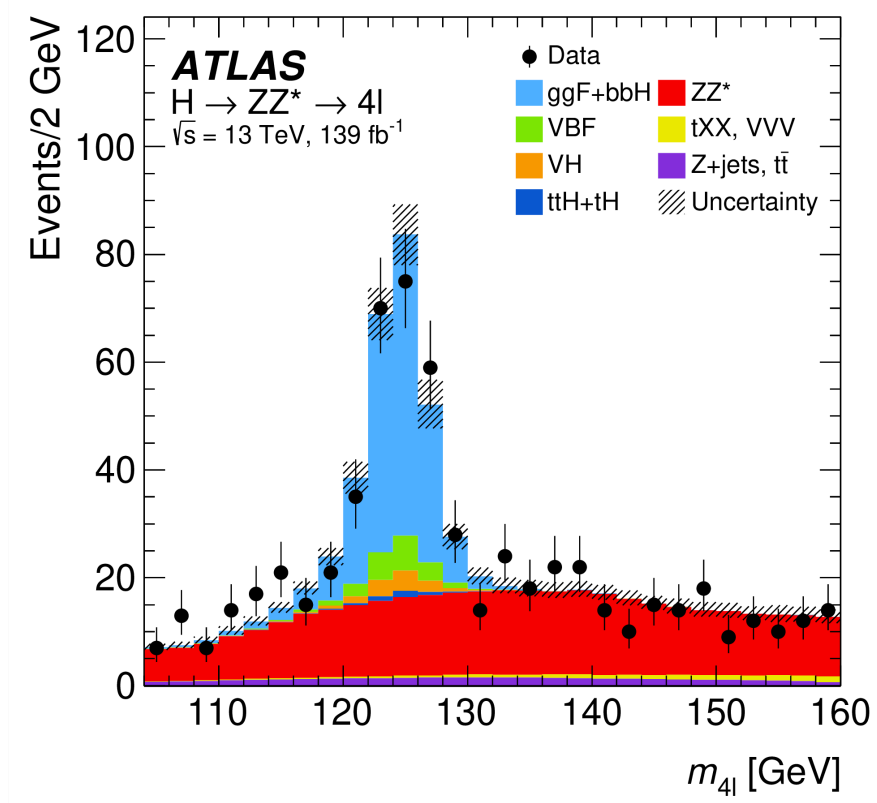
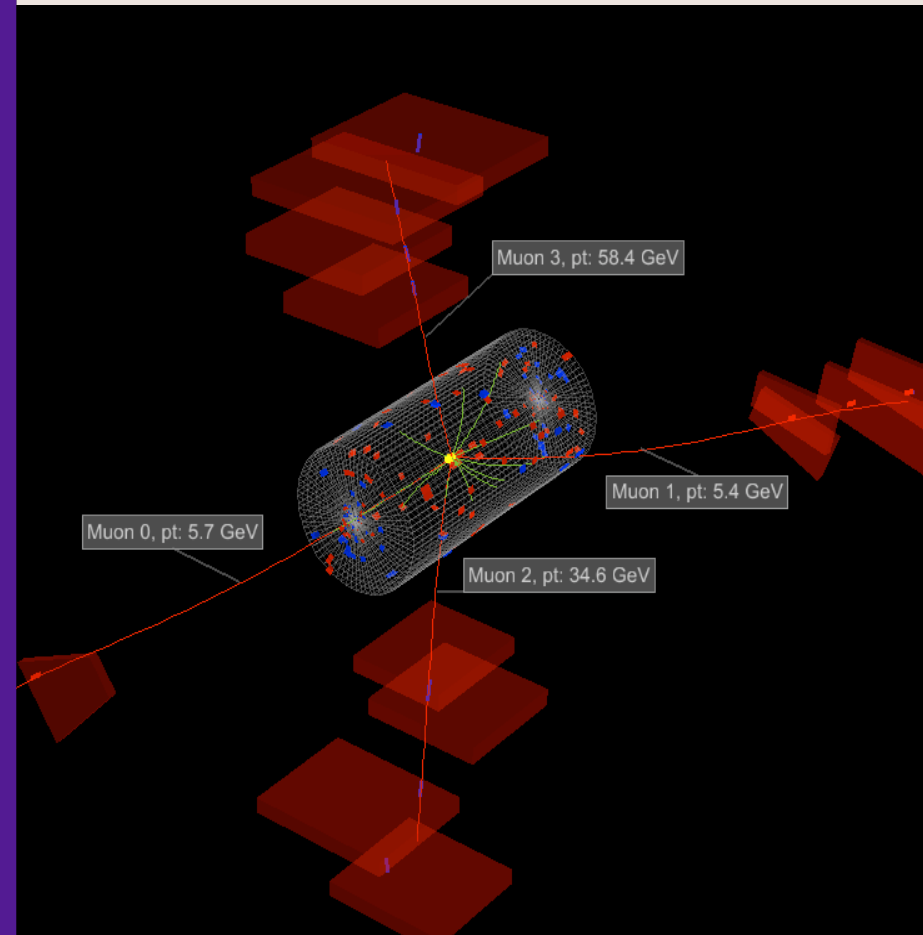
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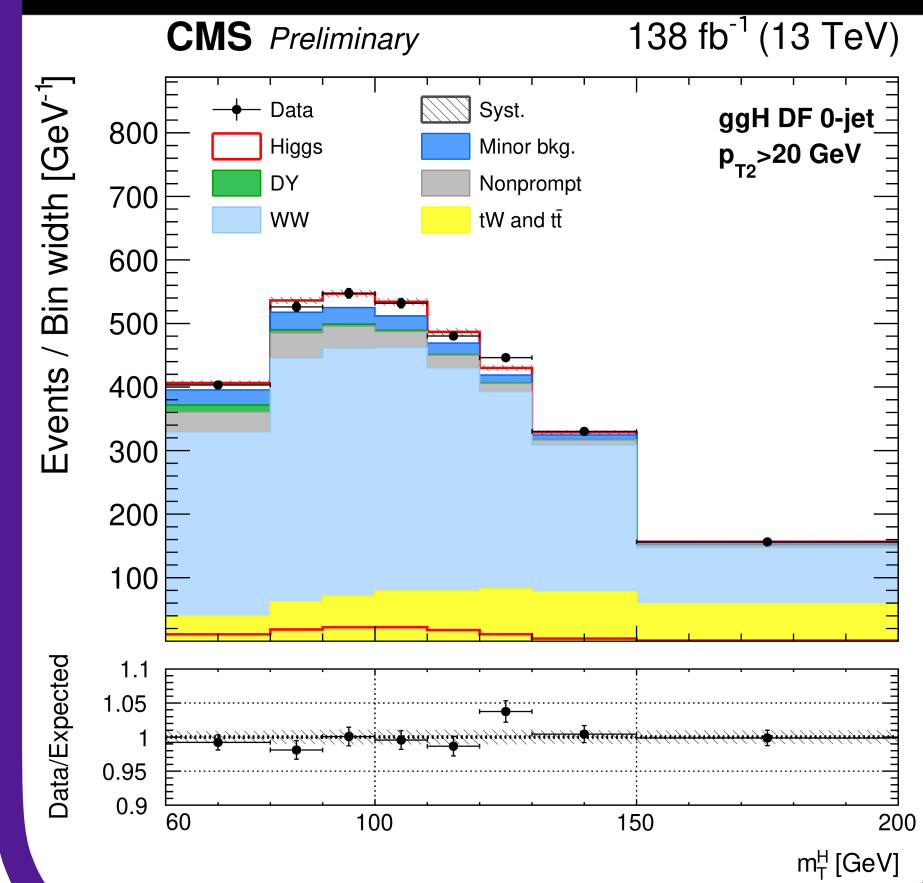
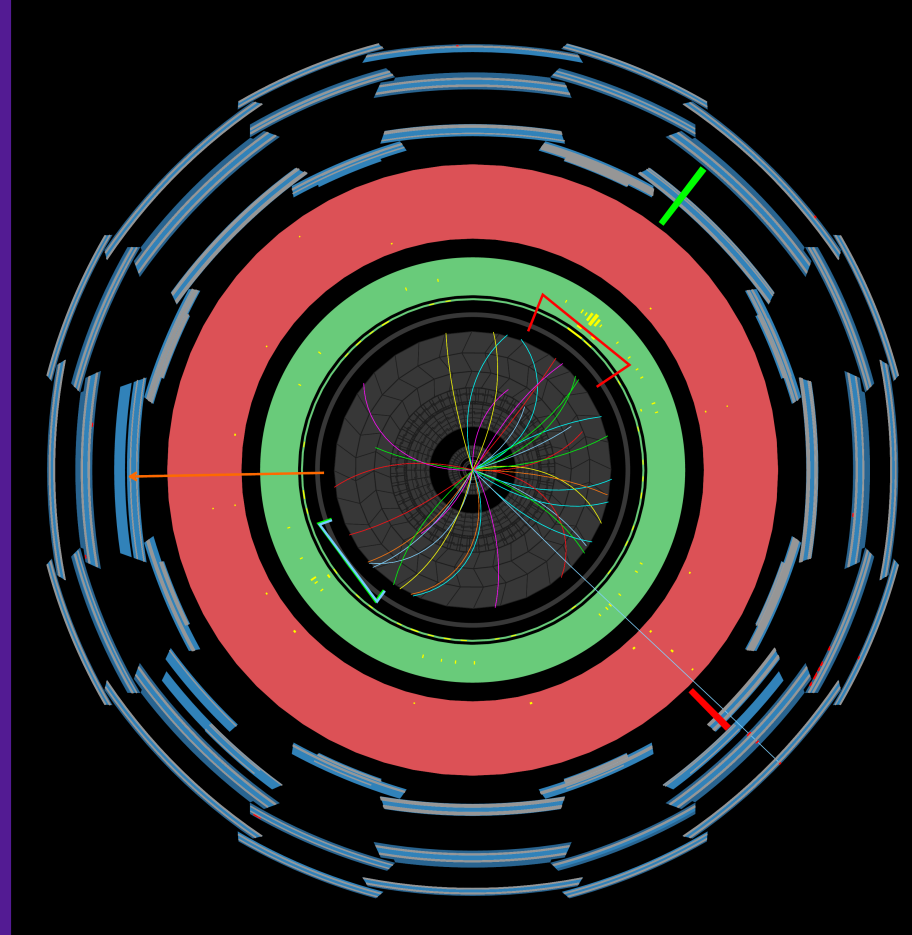
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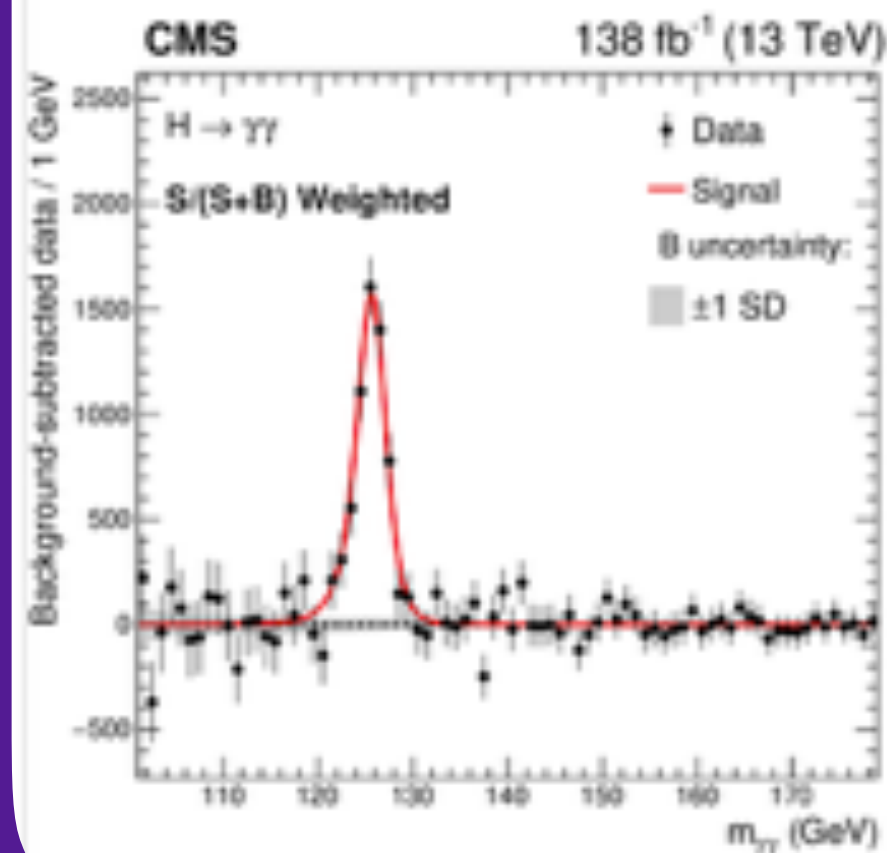
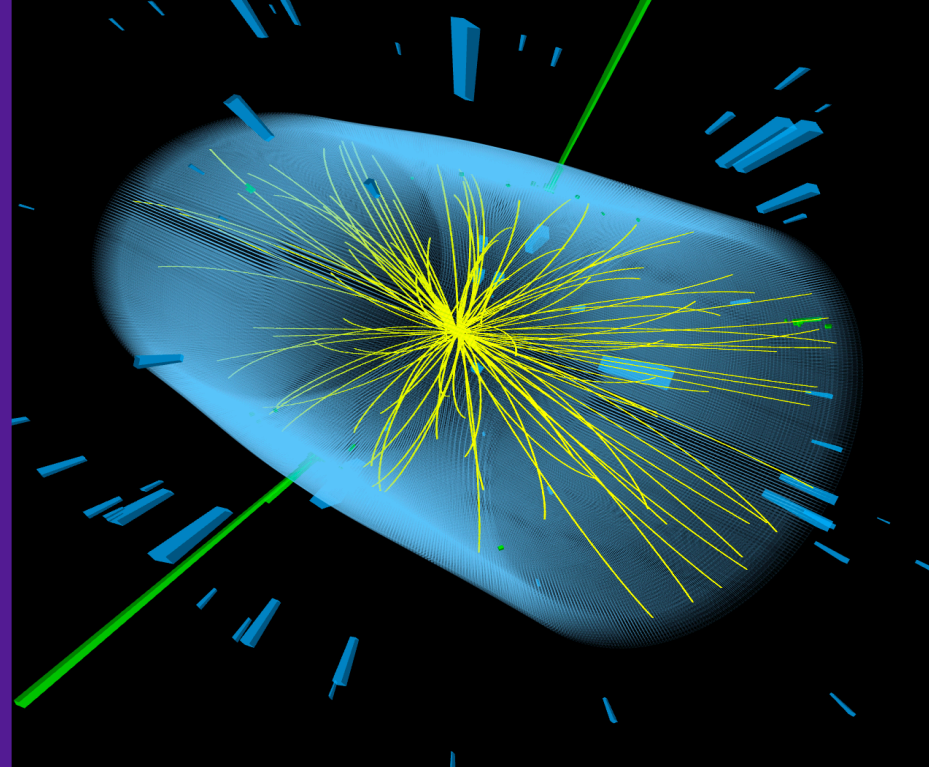


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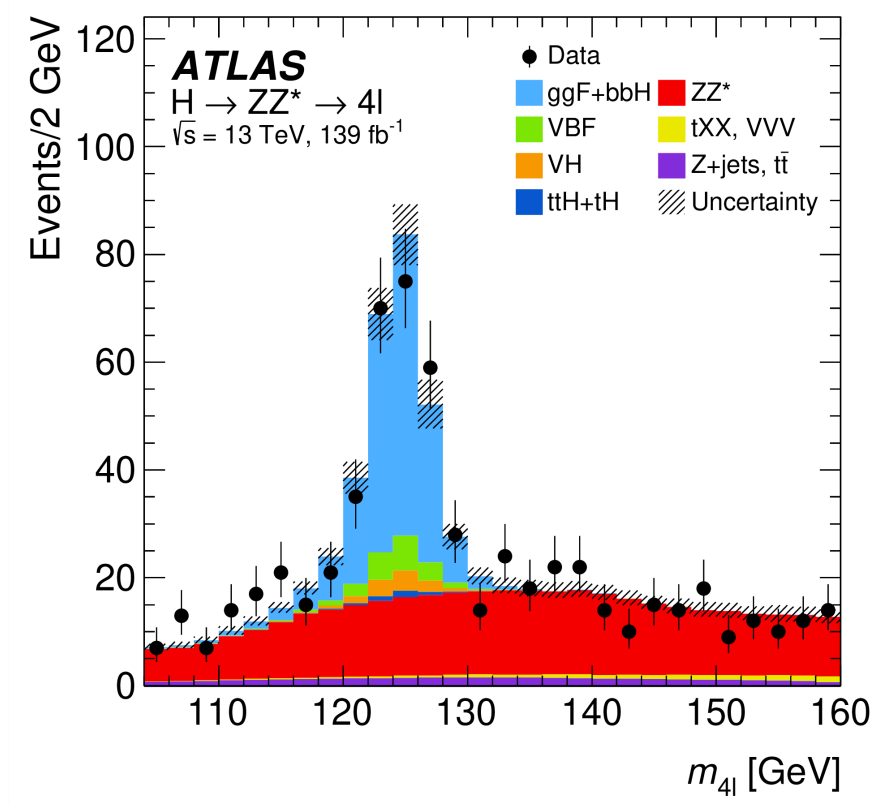
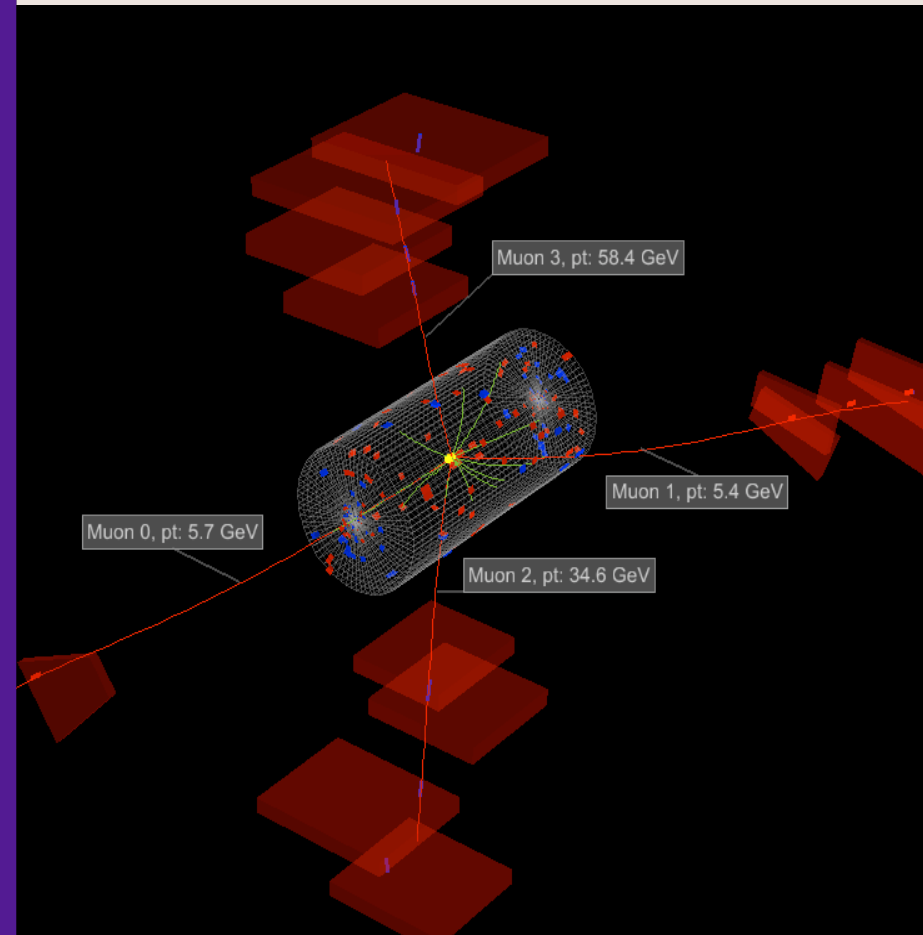
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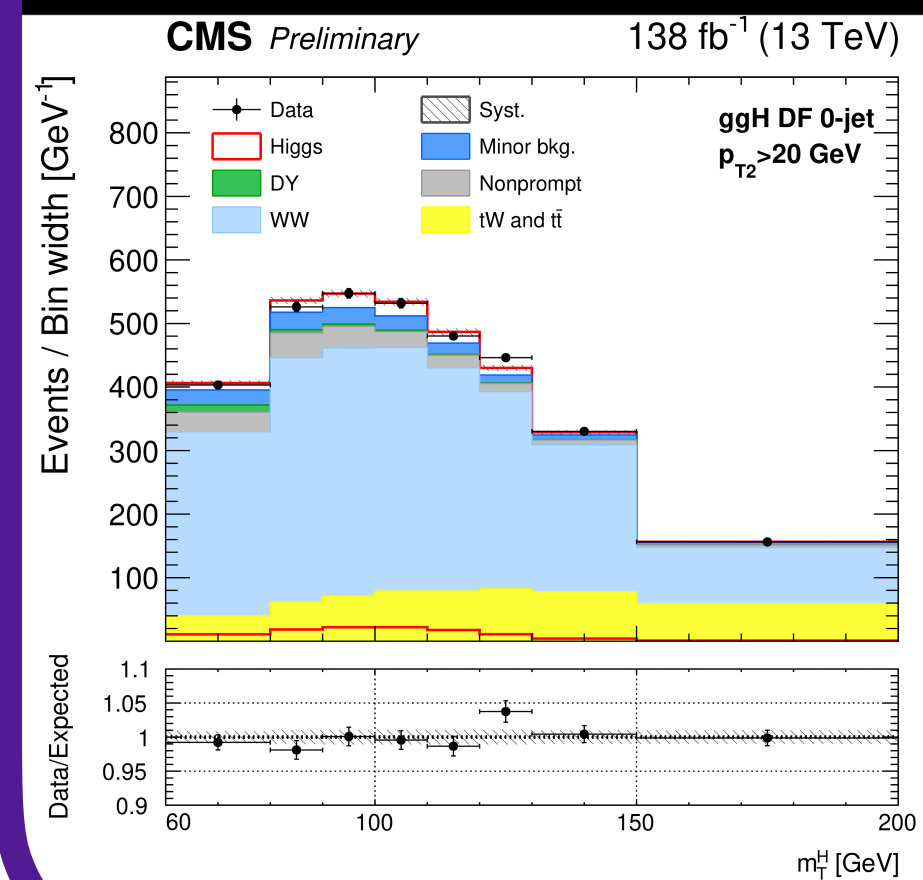
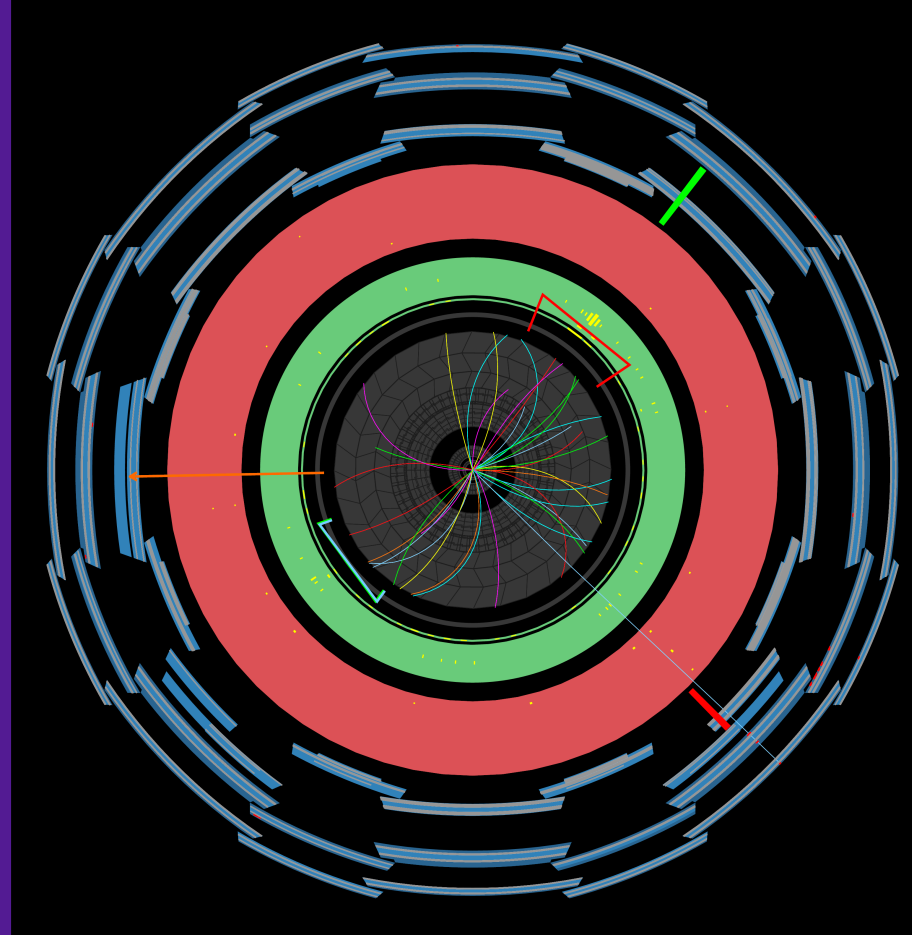
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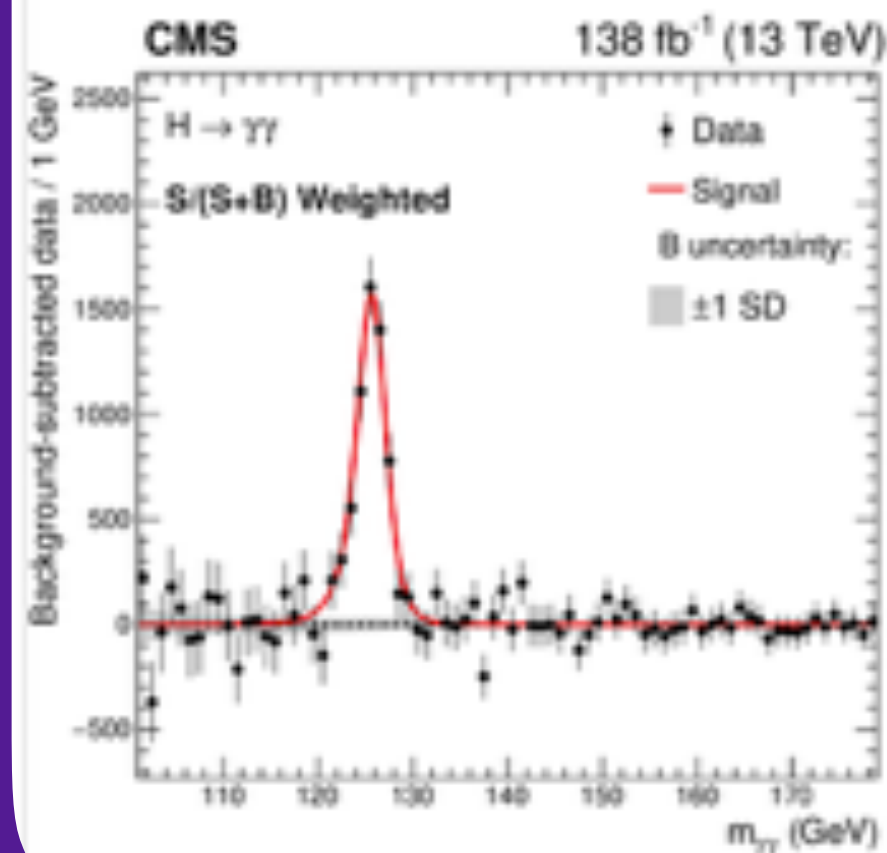
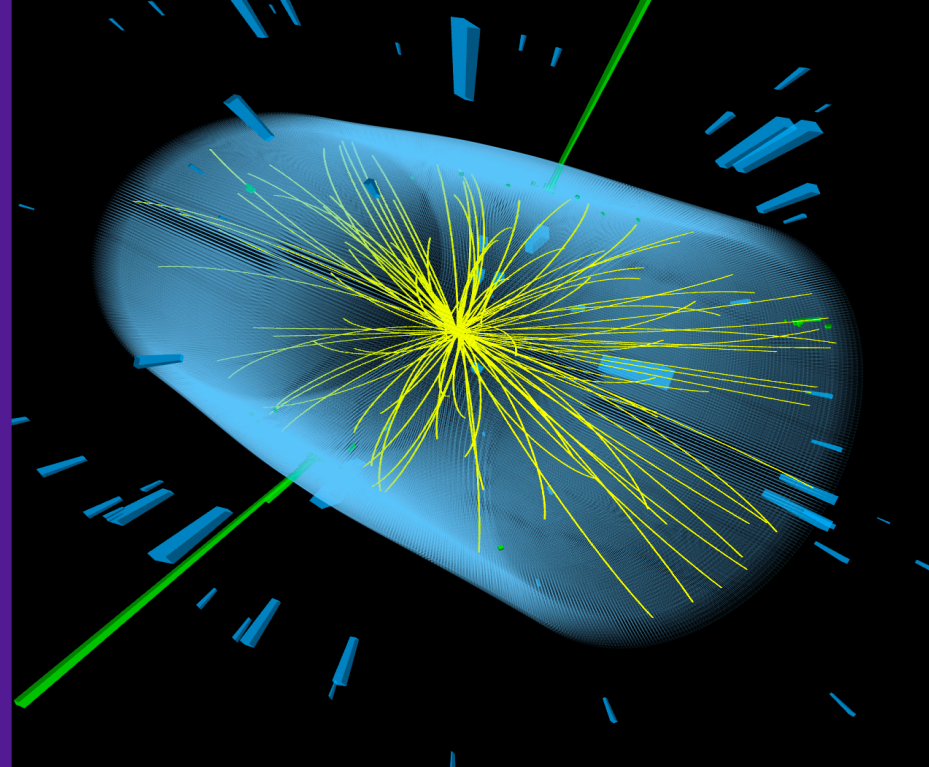




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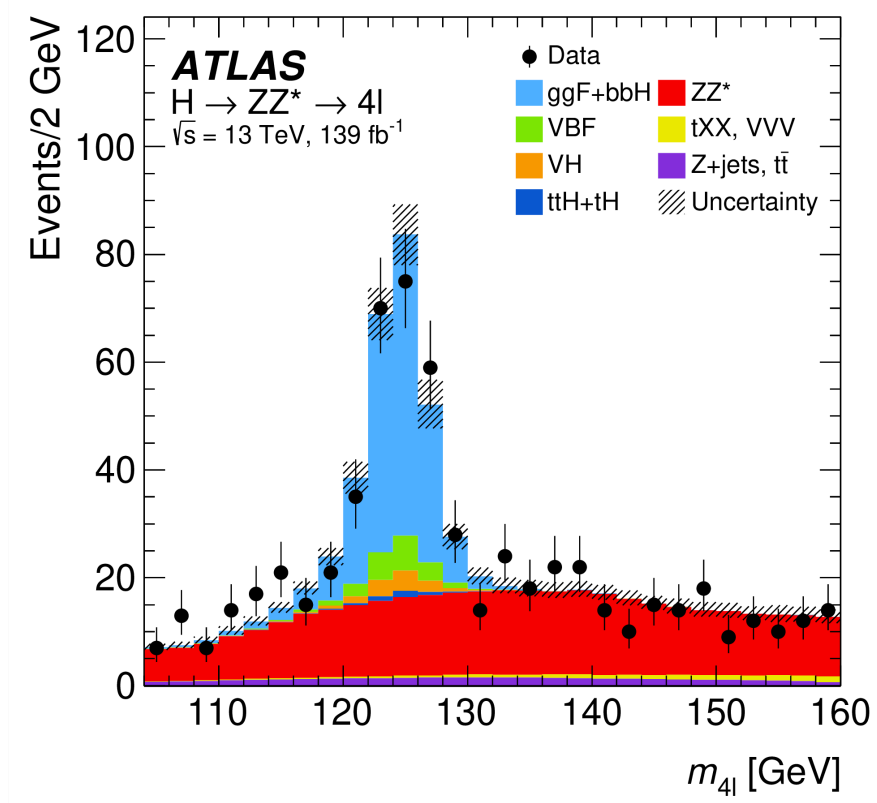
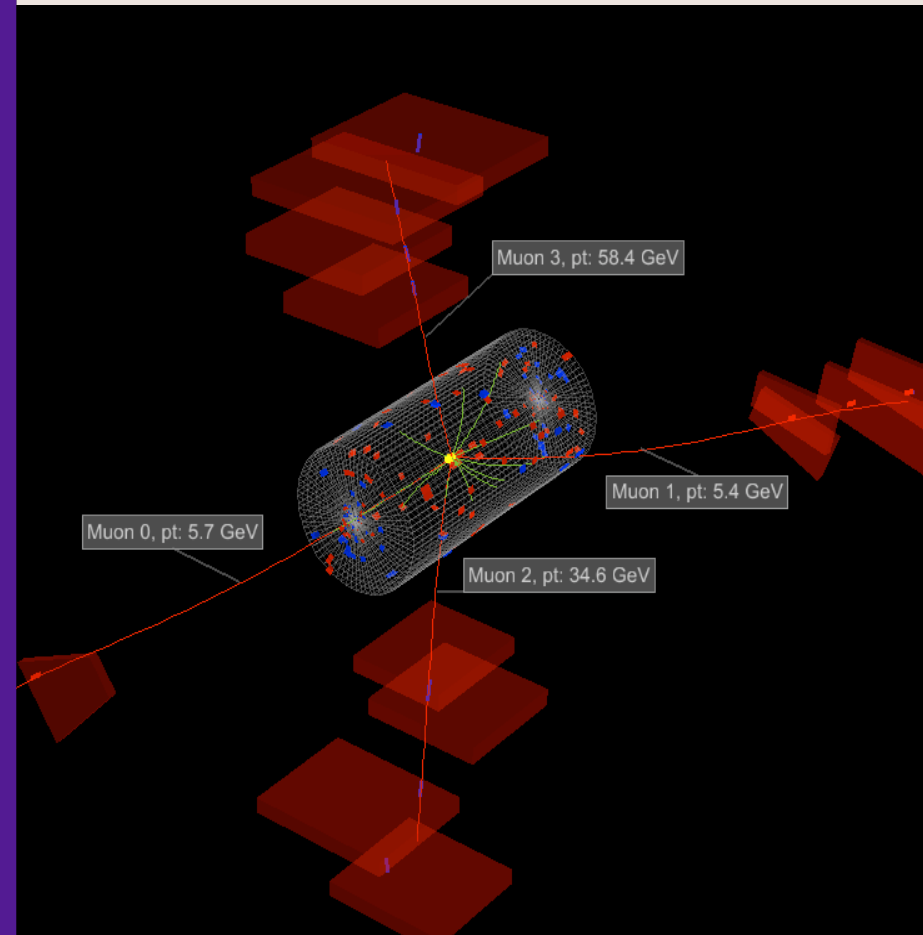
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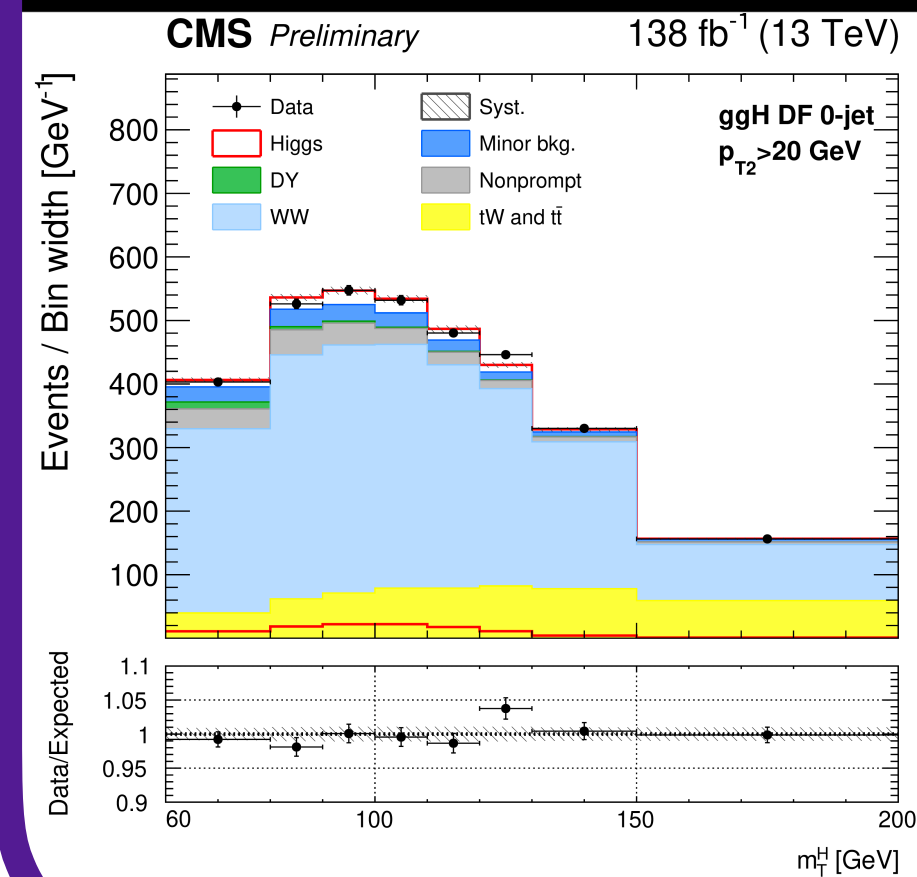
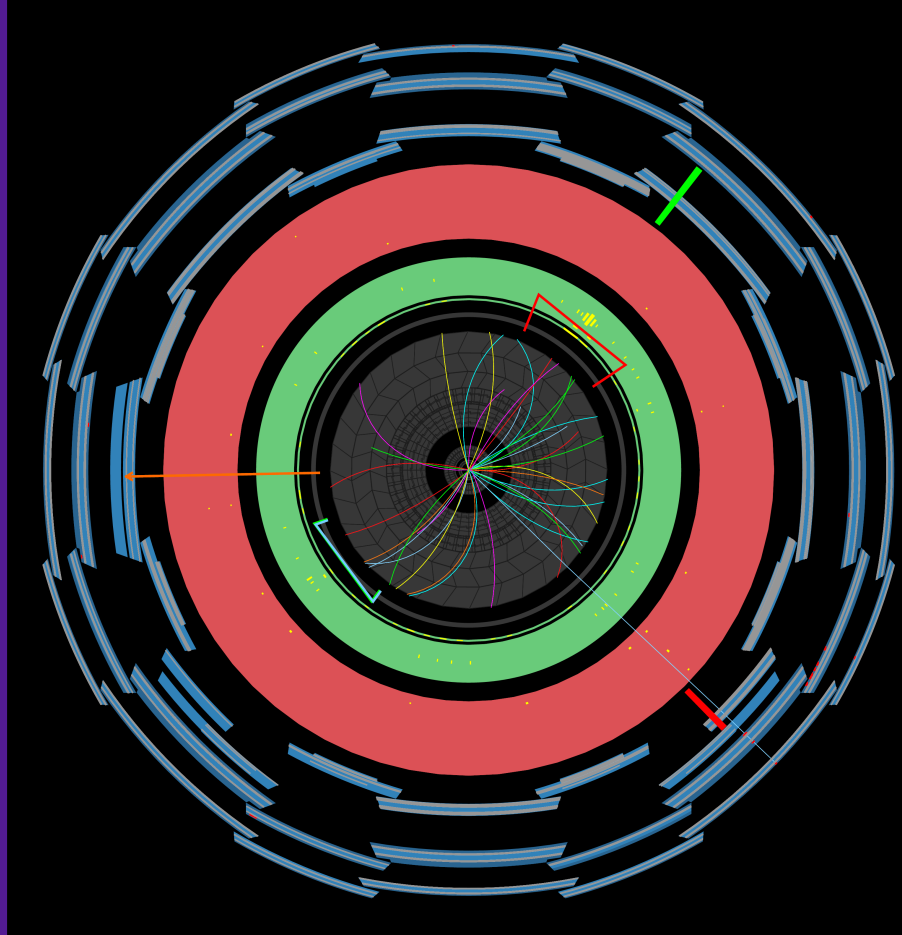
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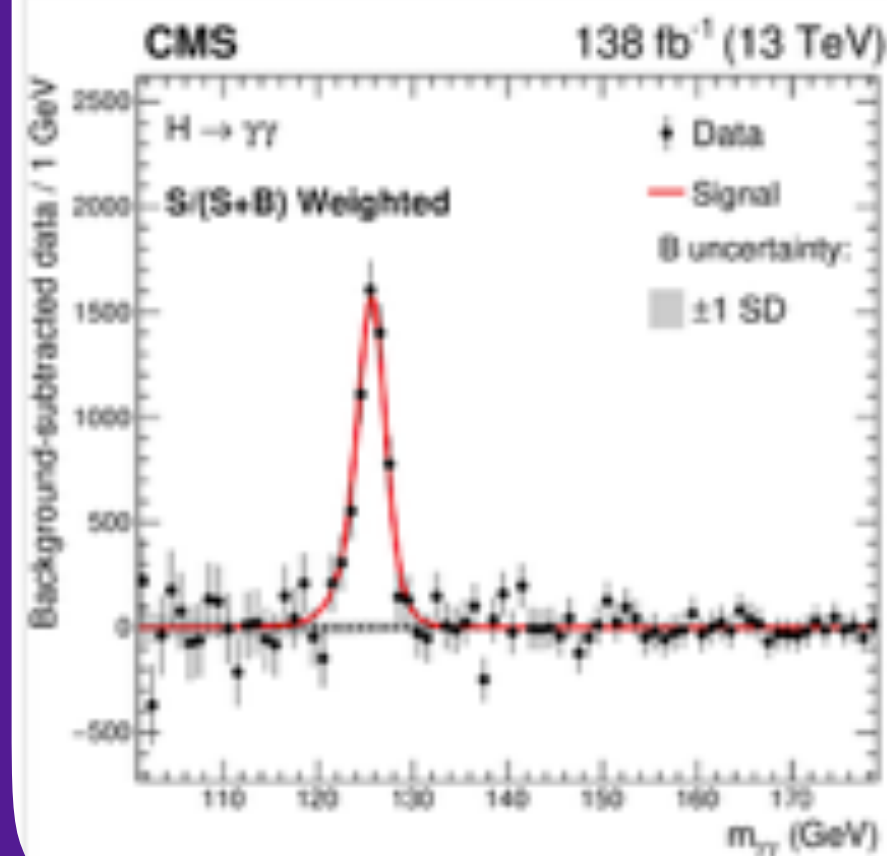
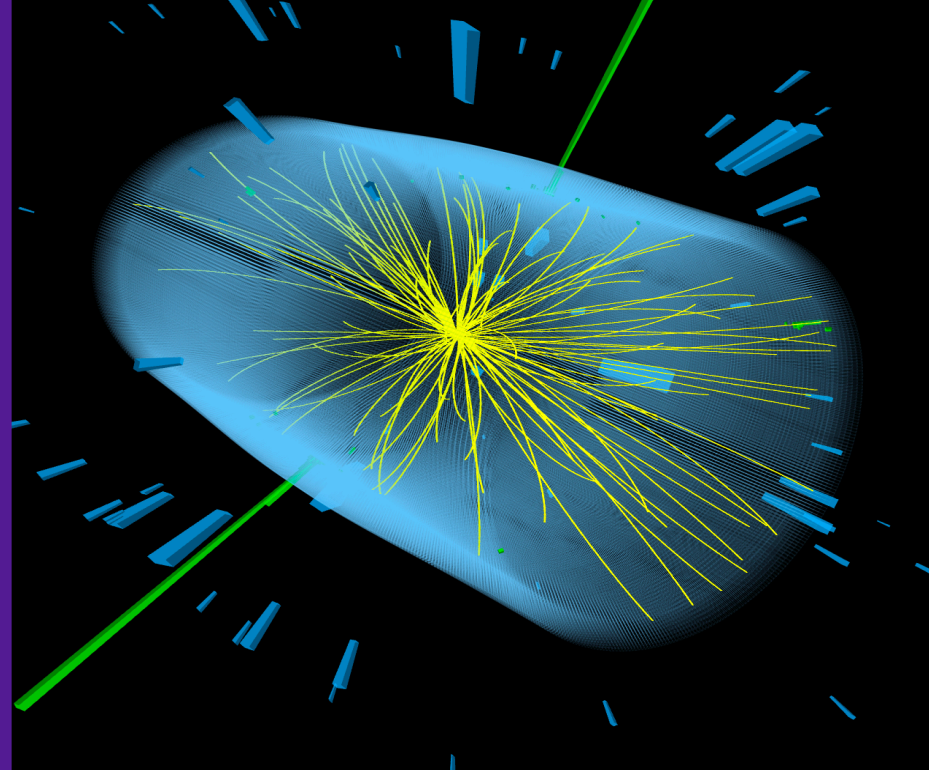
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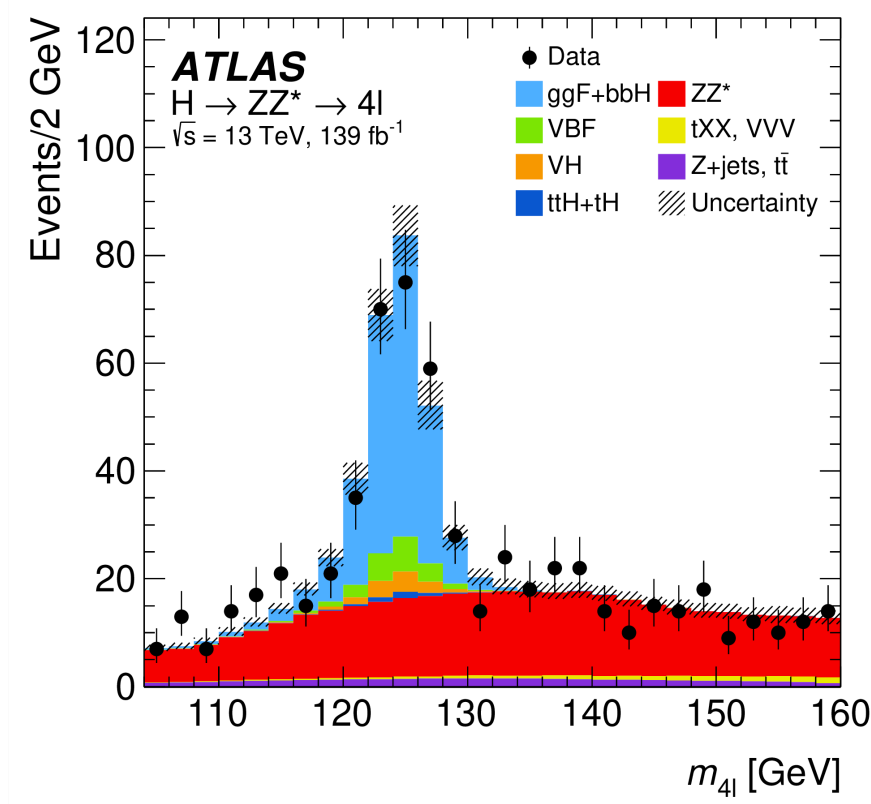
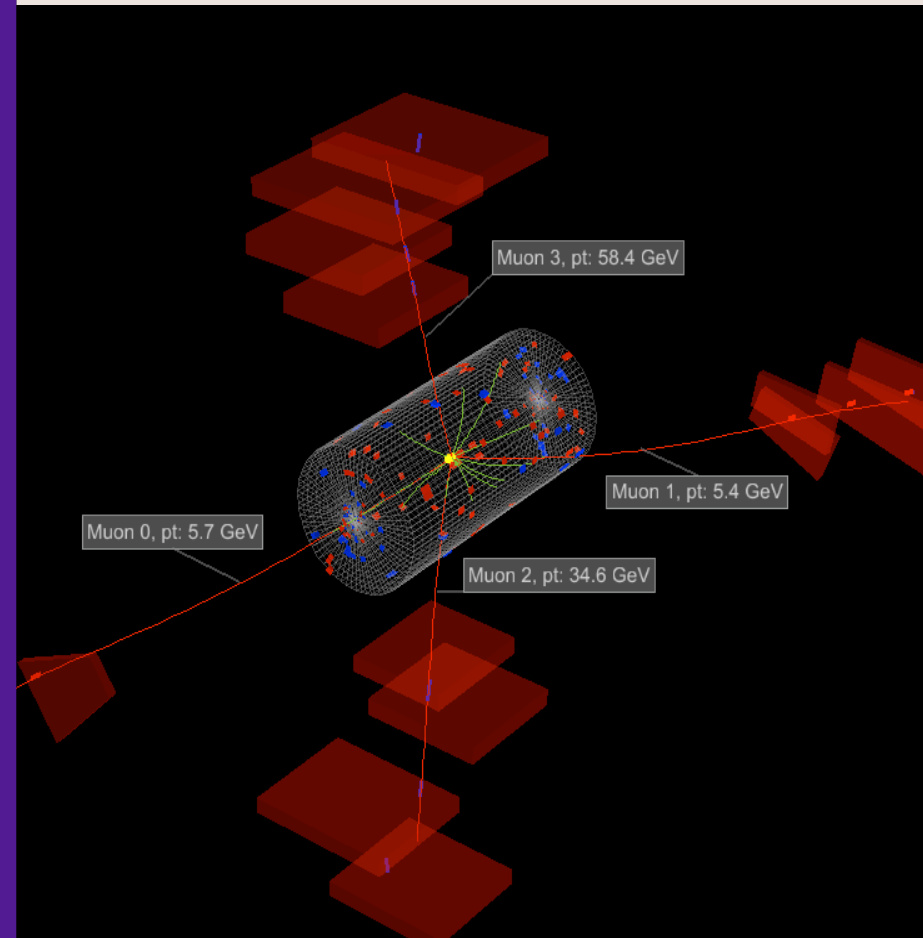
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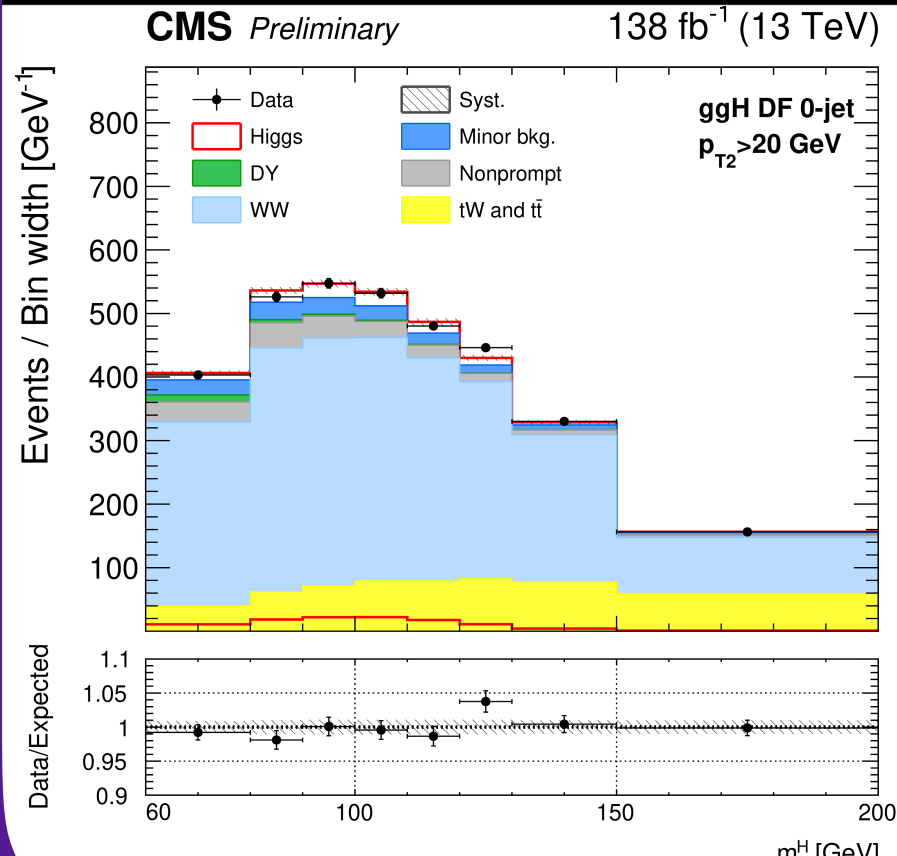
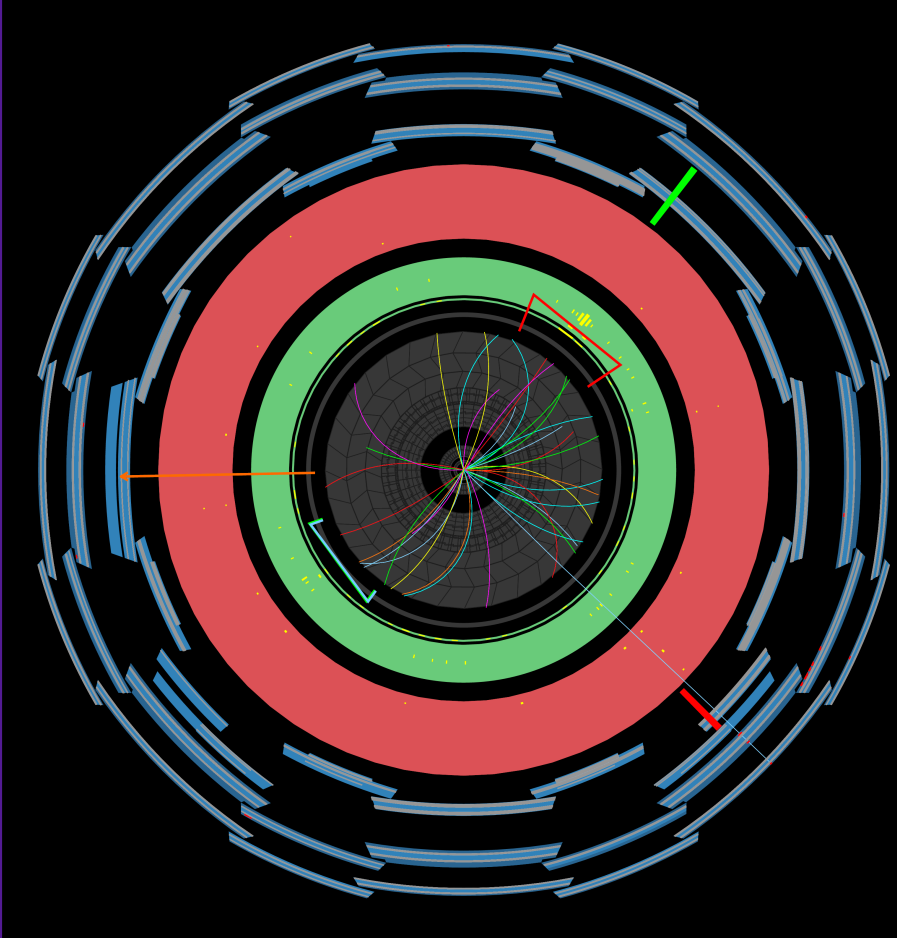
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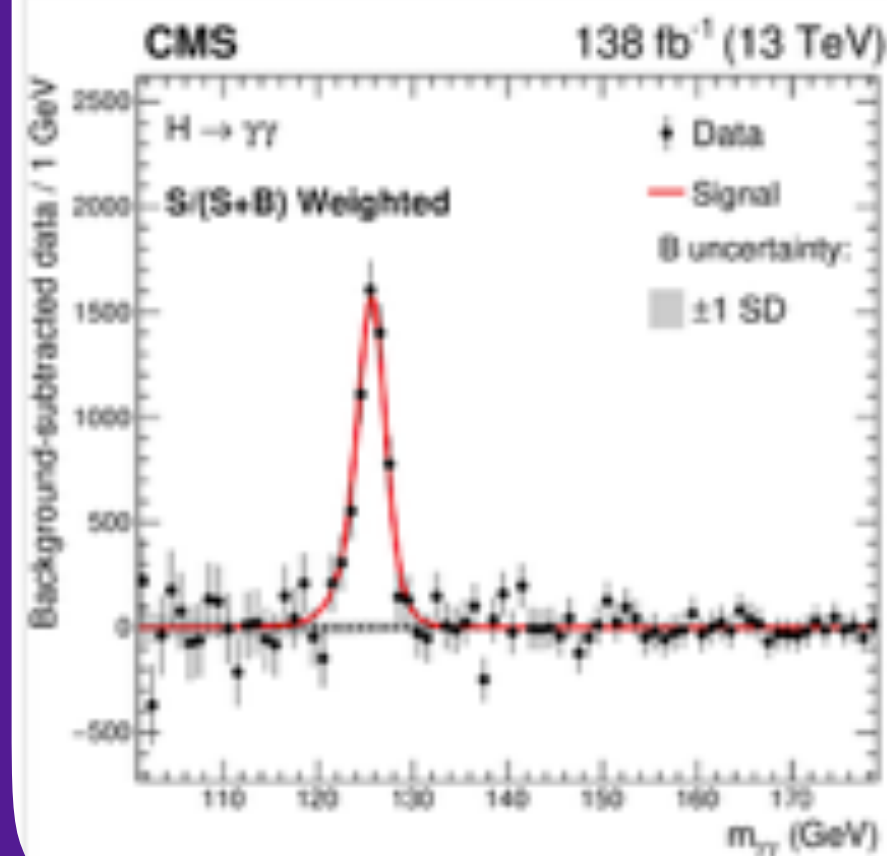
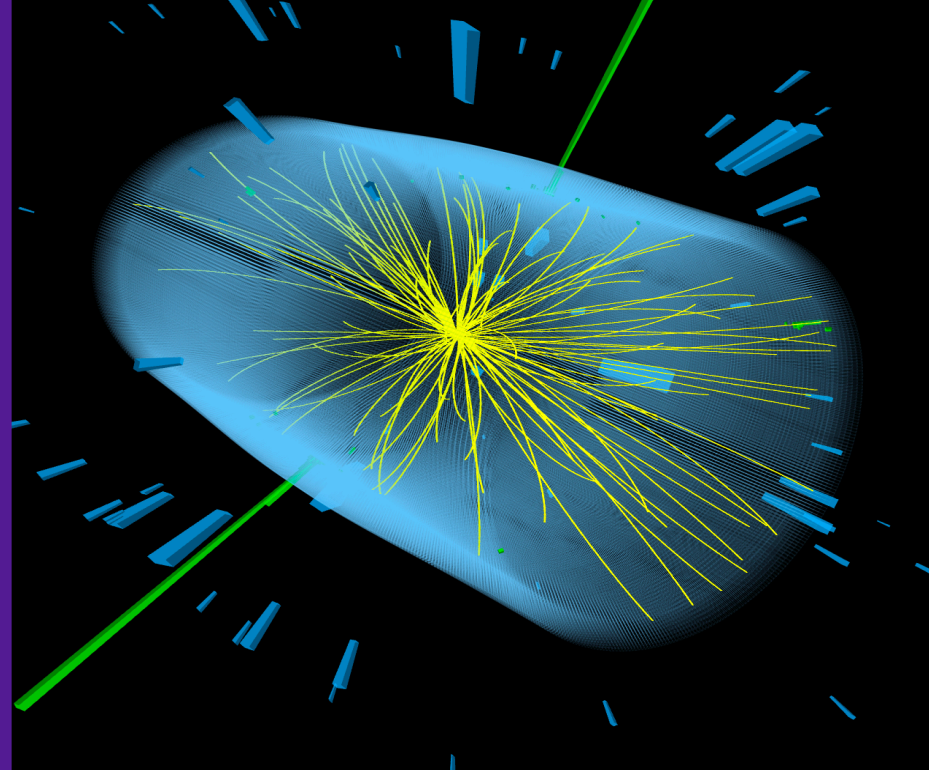
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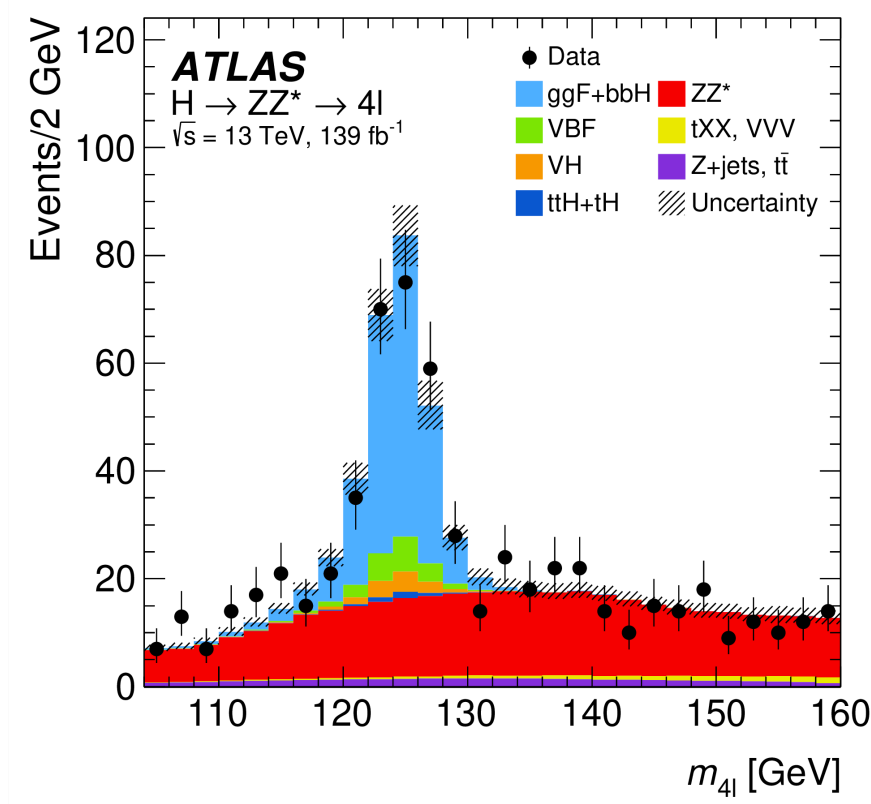
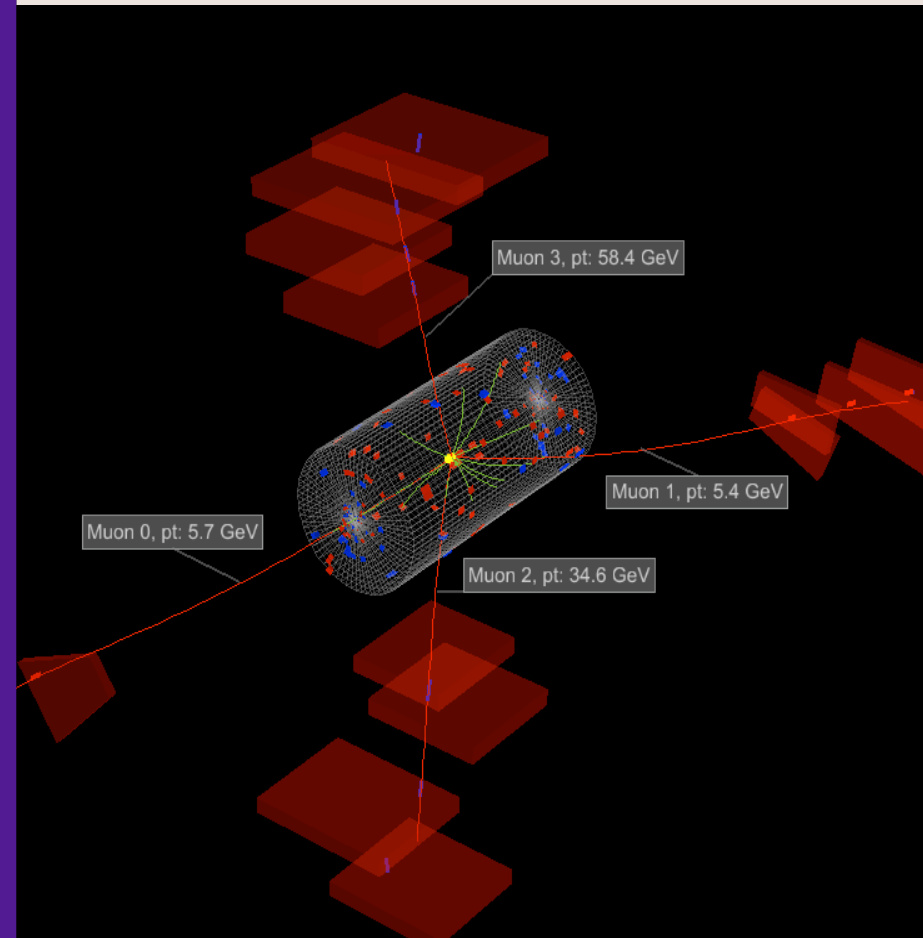
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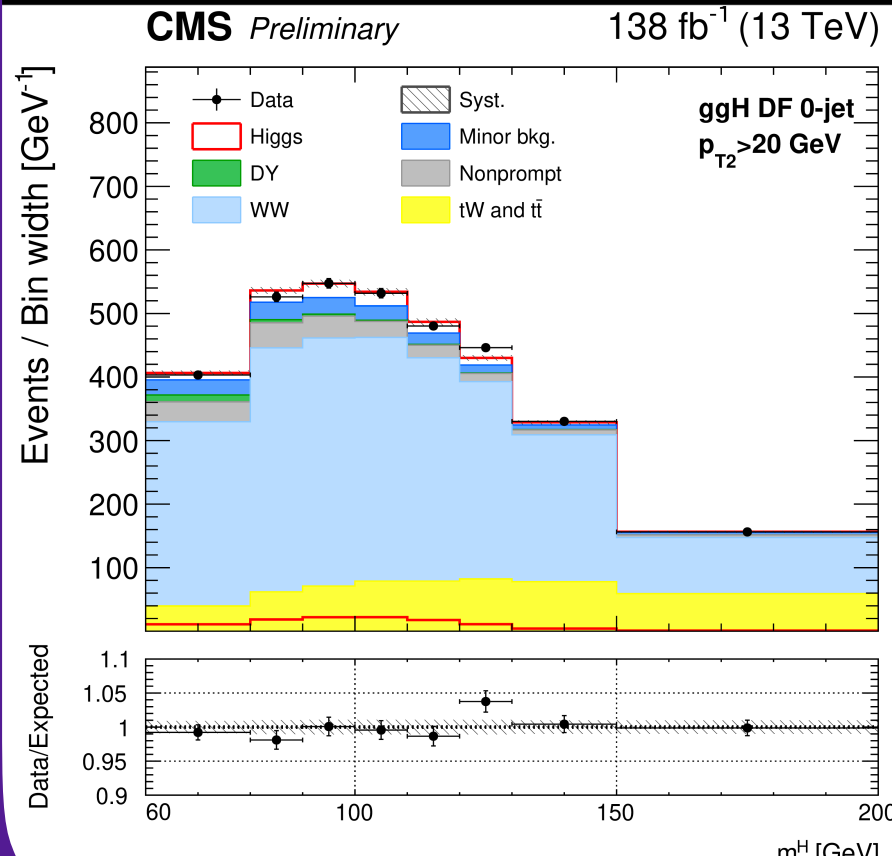
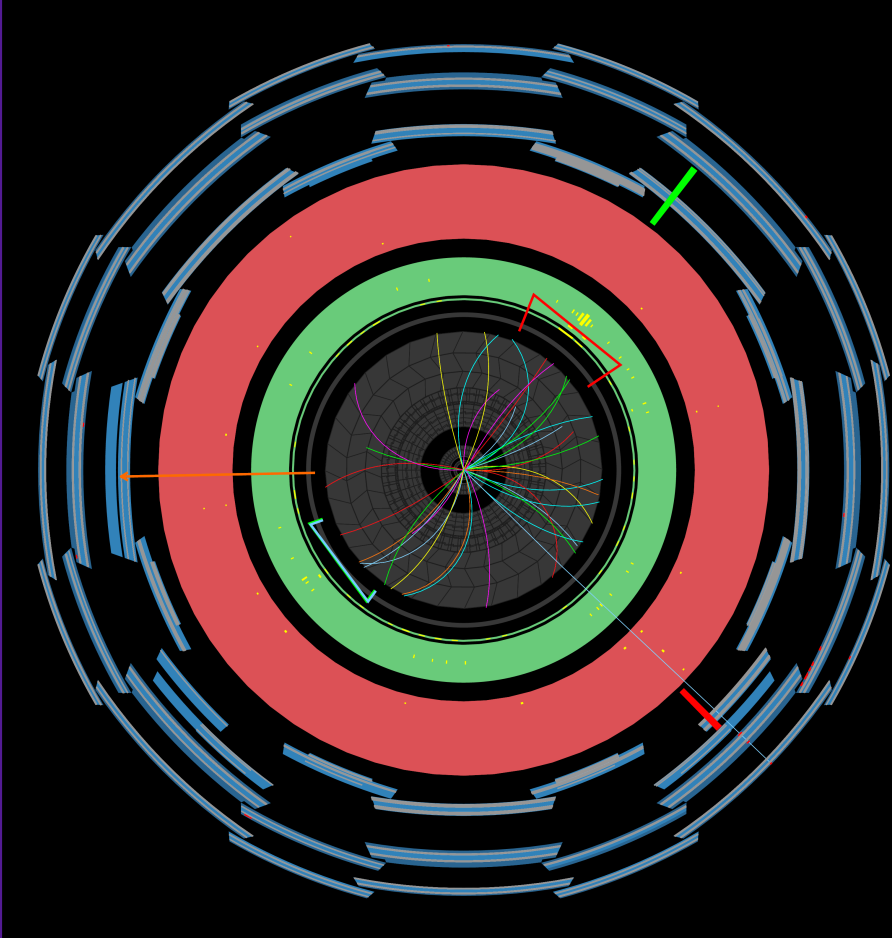
$$H \rightarrow ZZ$$

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## Coupling to Vector Bosons

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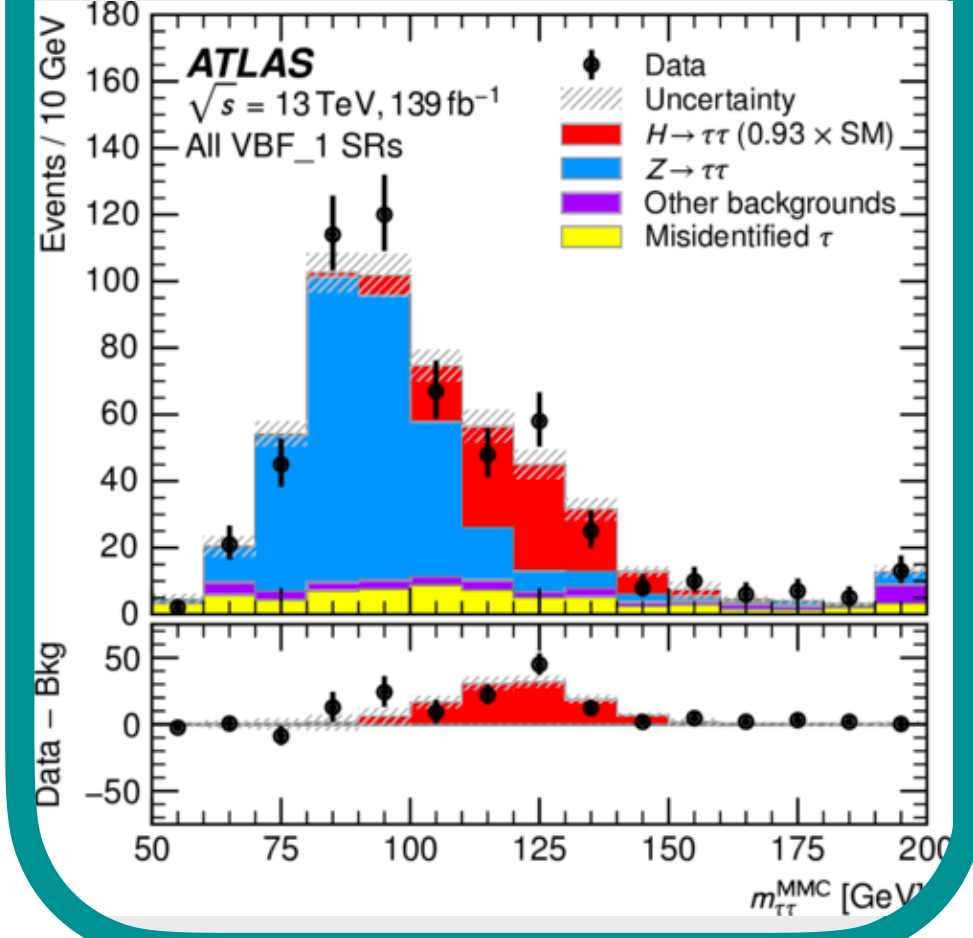
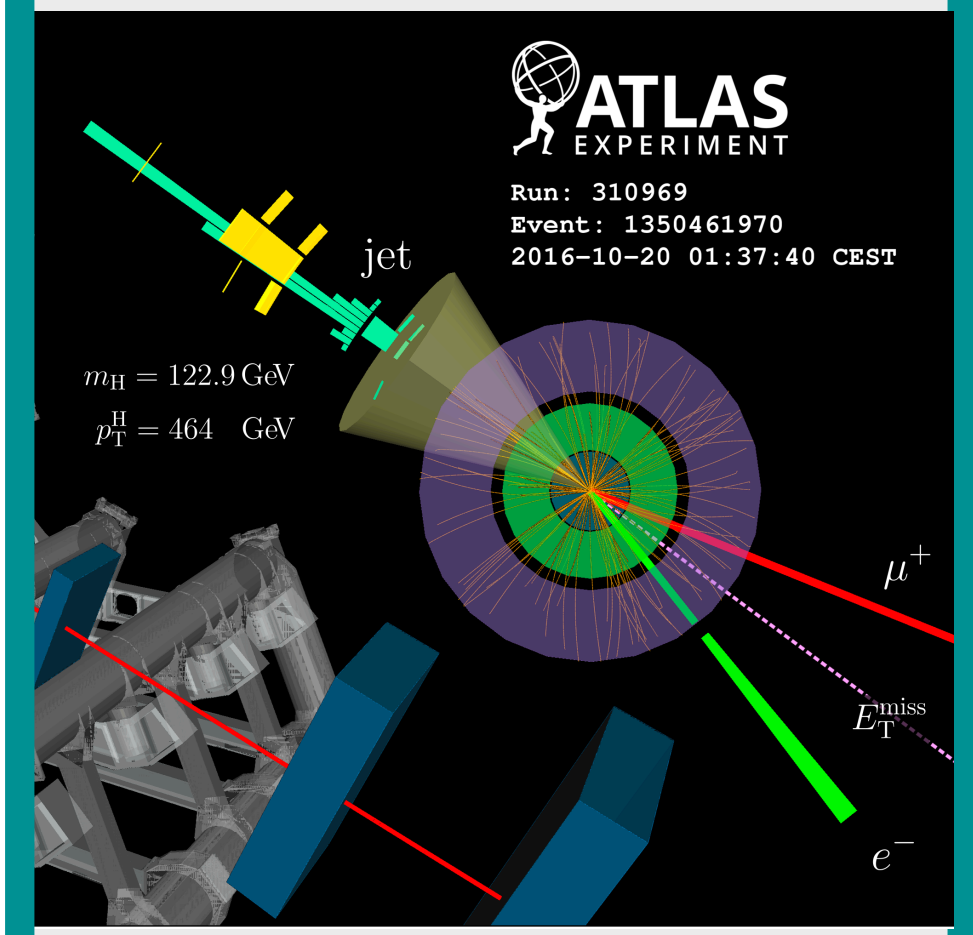
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– **WW**: large branching ratio, but missing final state information (neutrinos) → more complicated experimentally, even in the  $W \rightarrow l\nu$  case. Also well into the precision regime now.



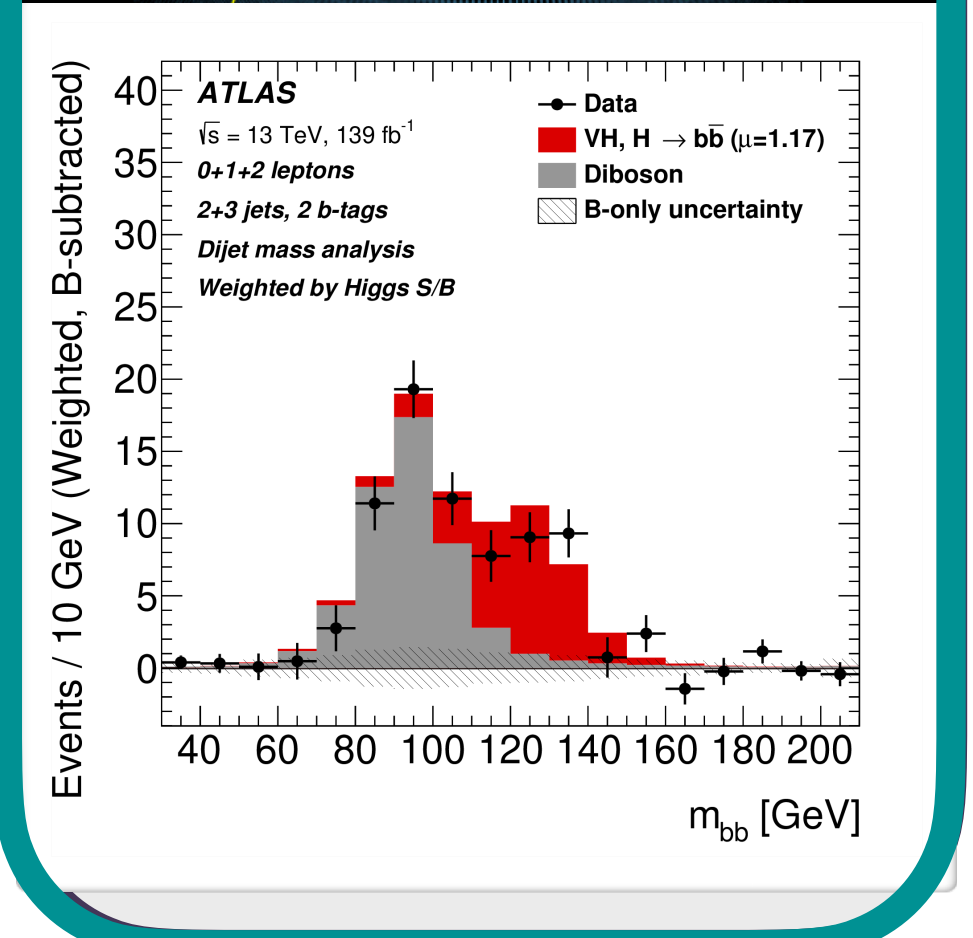
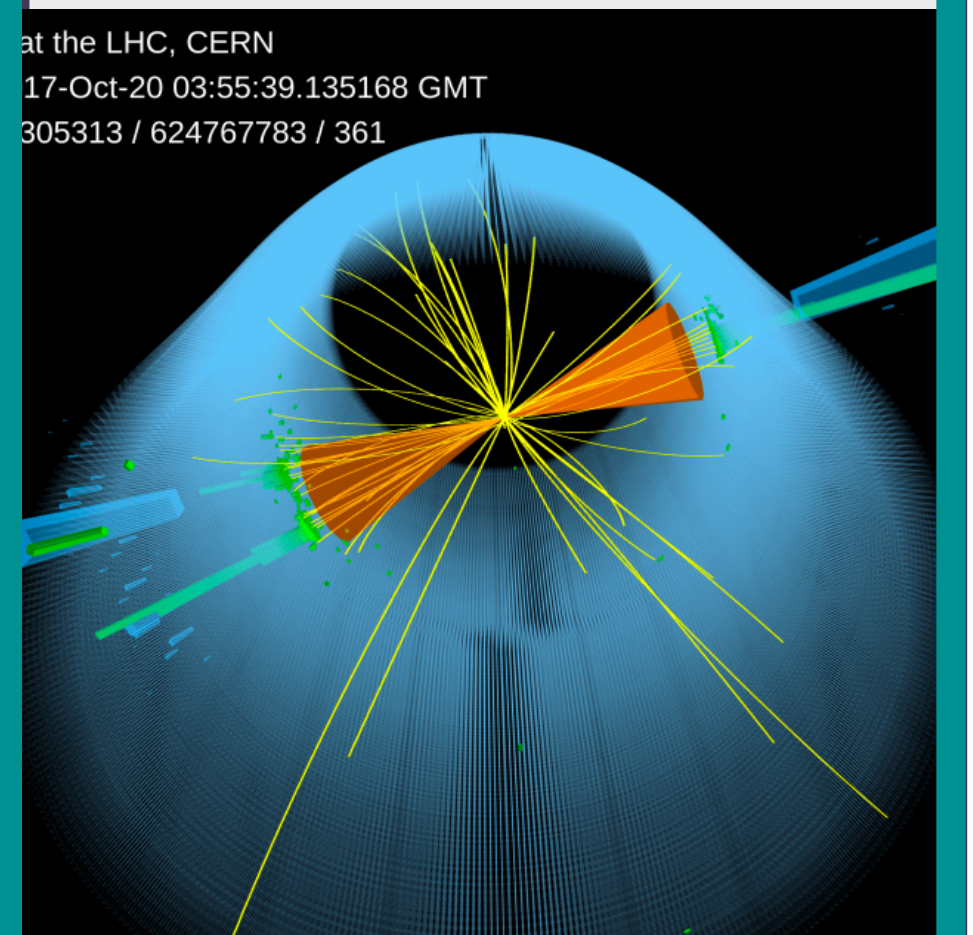
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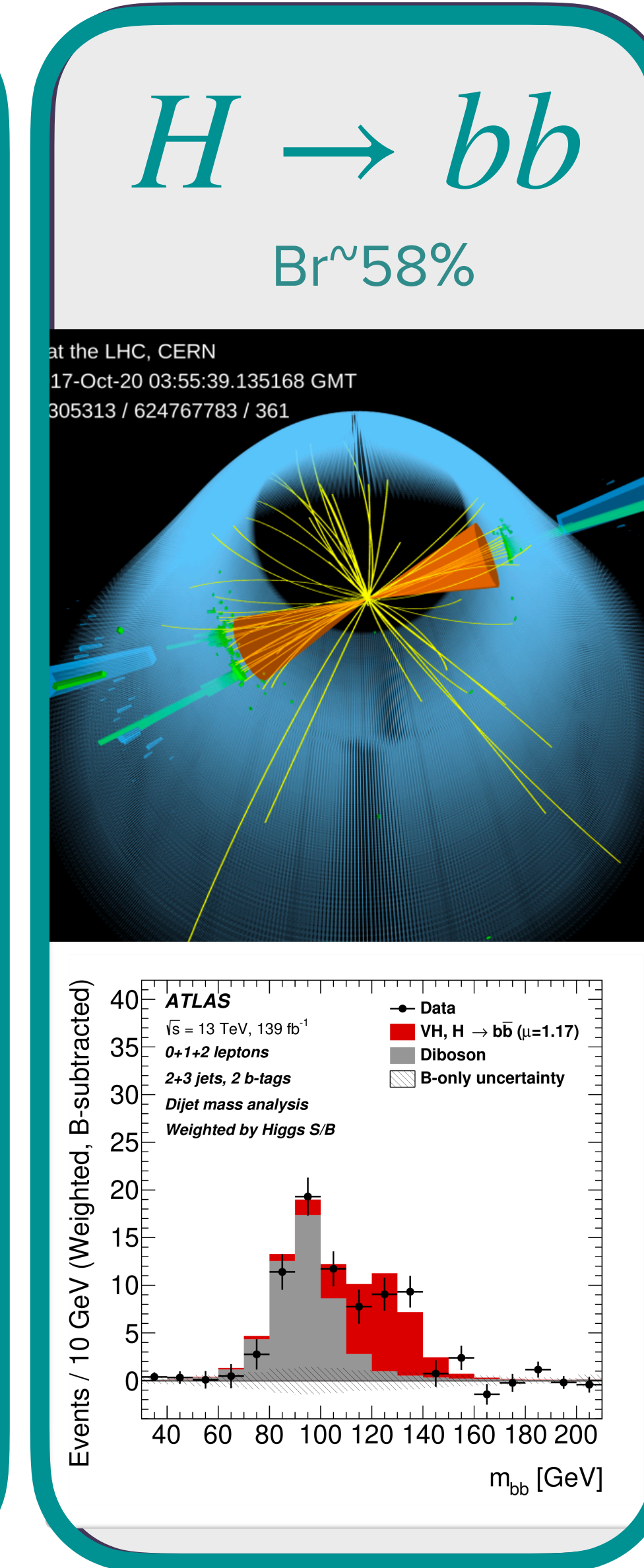
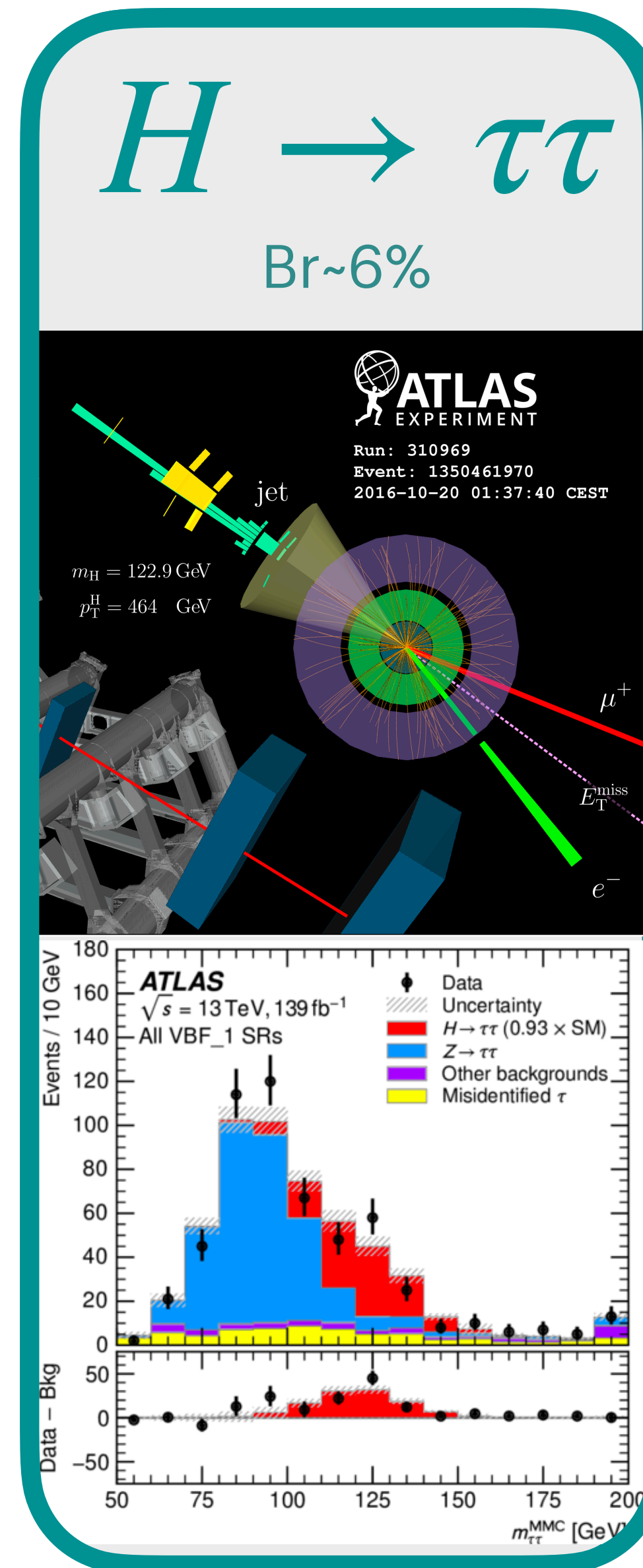
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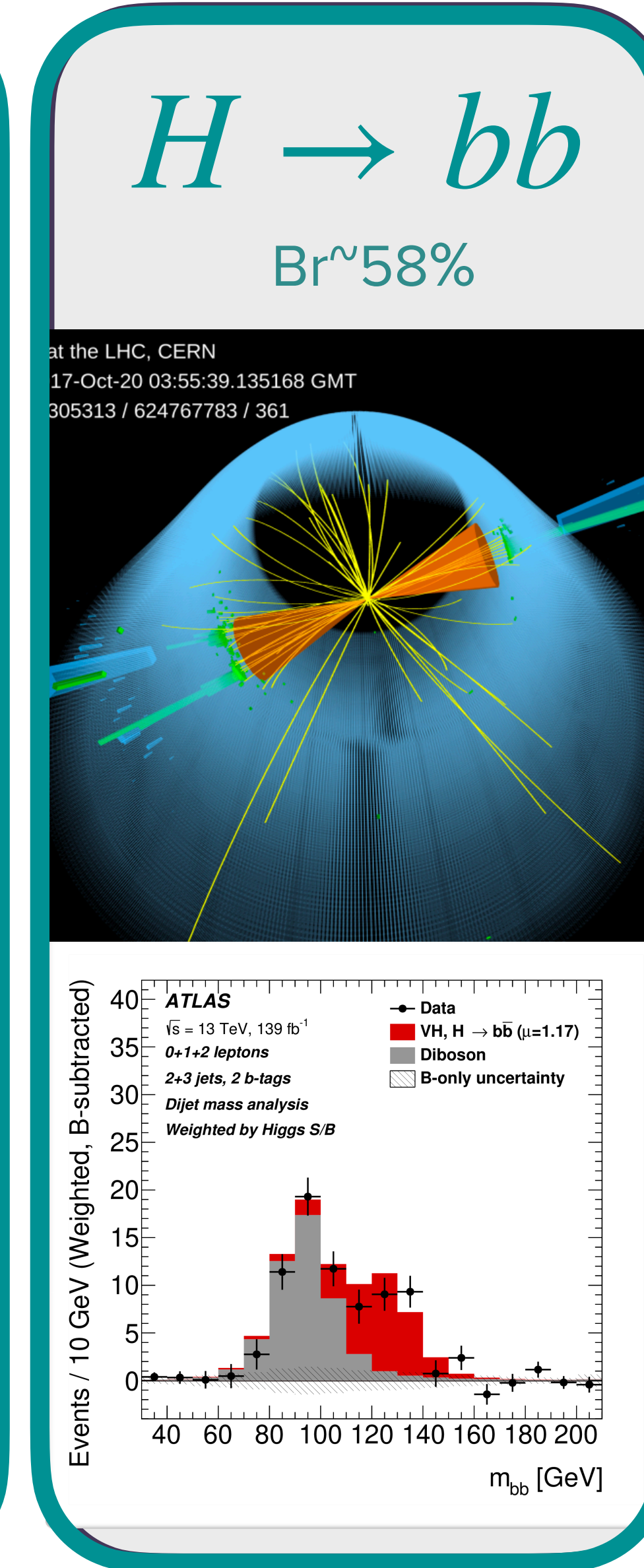
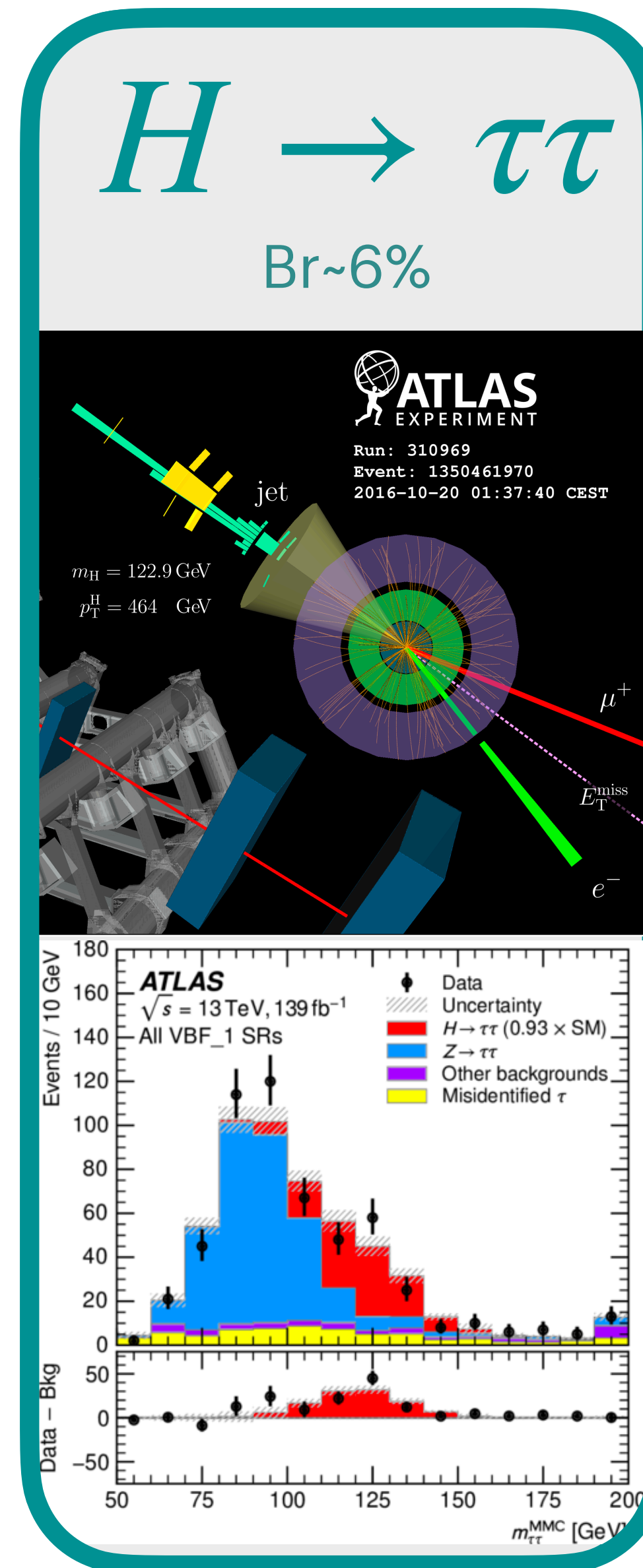
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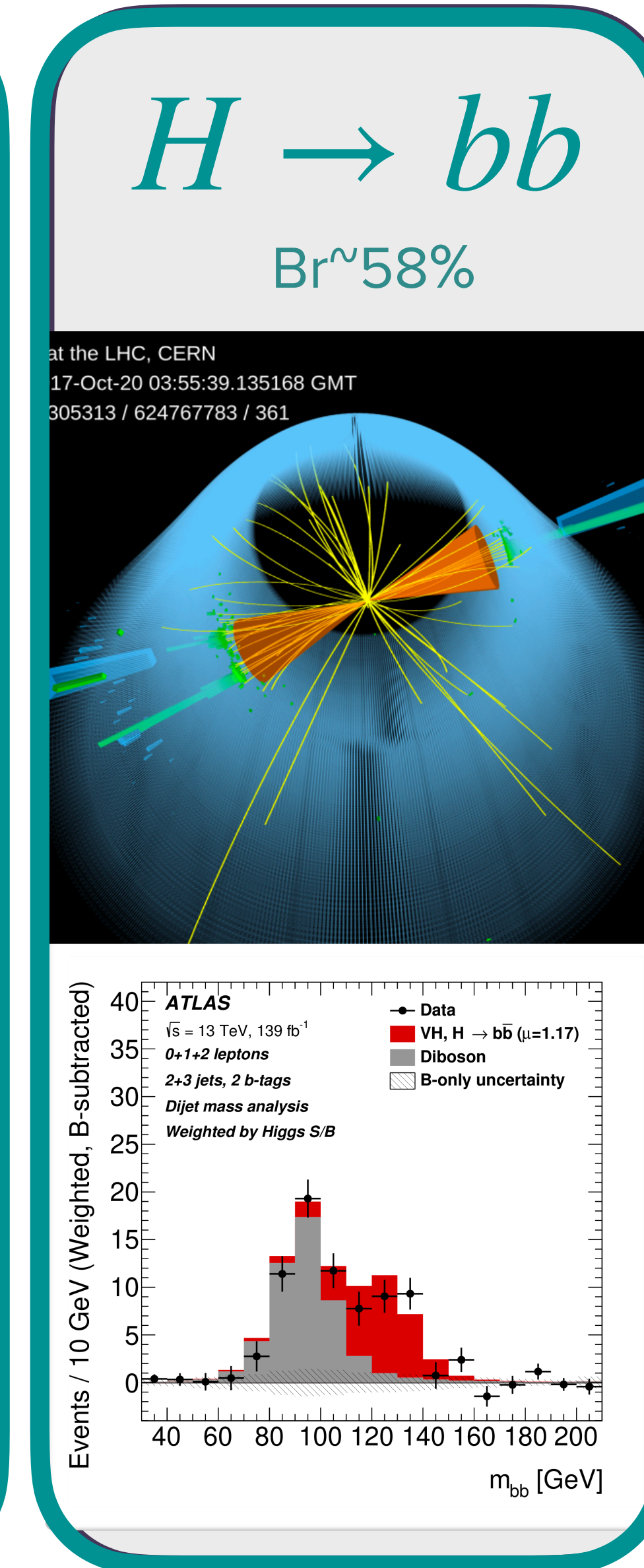
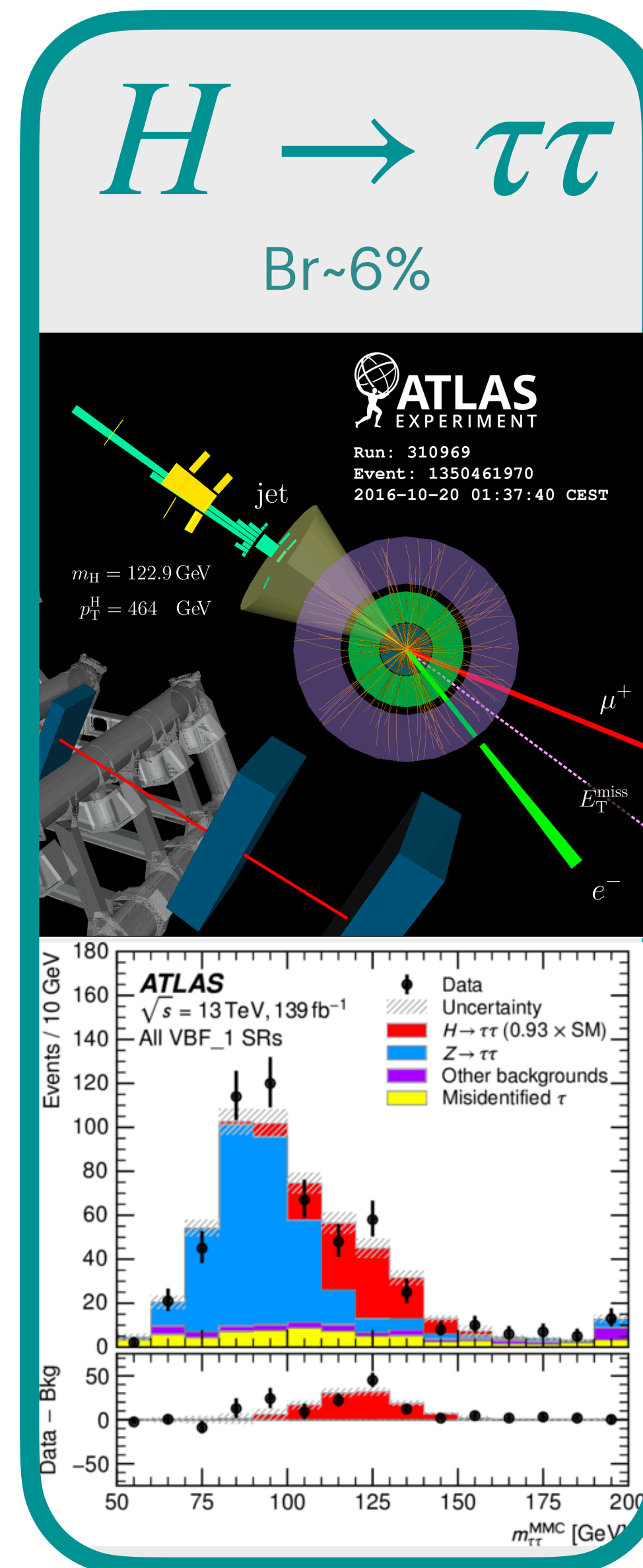
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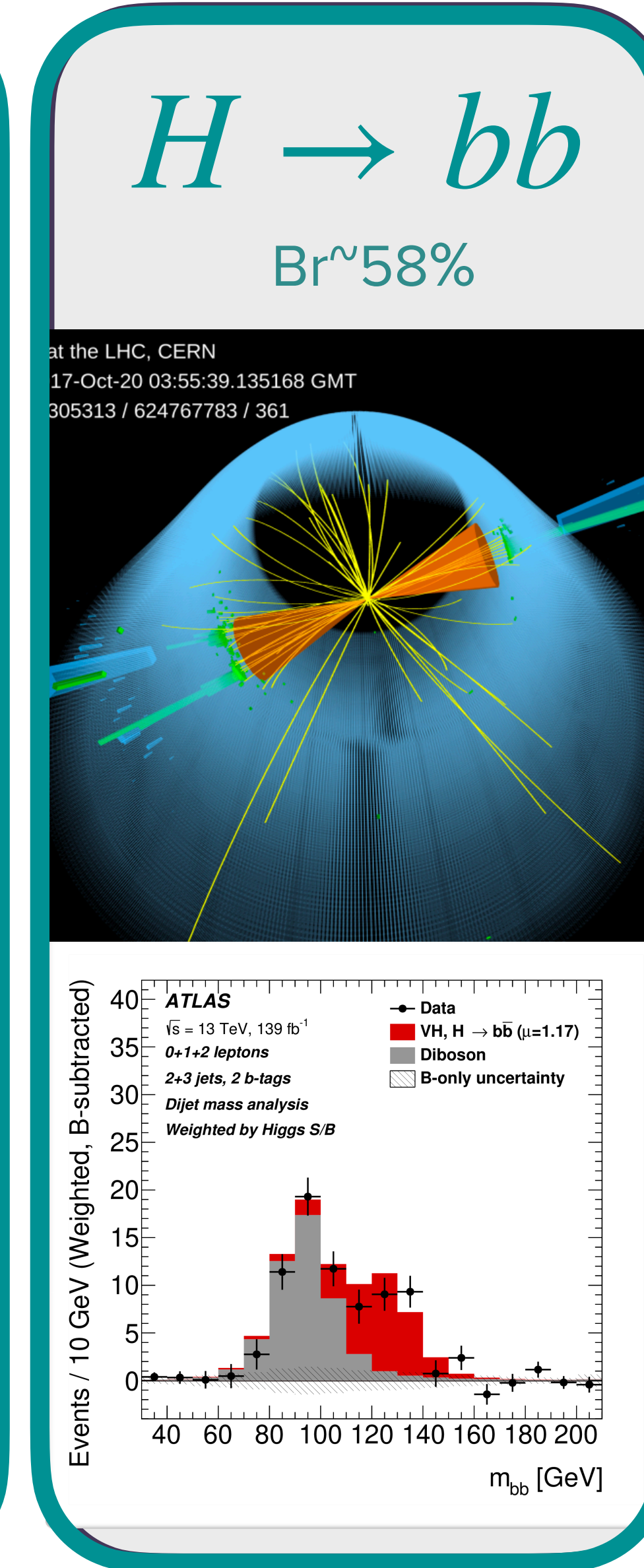
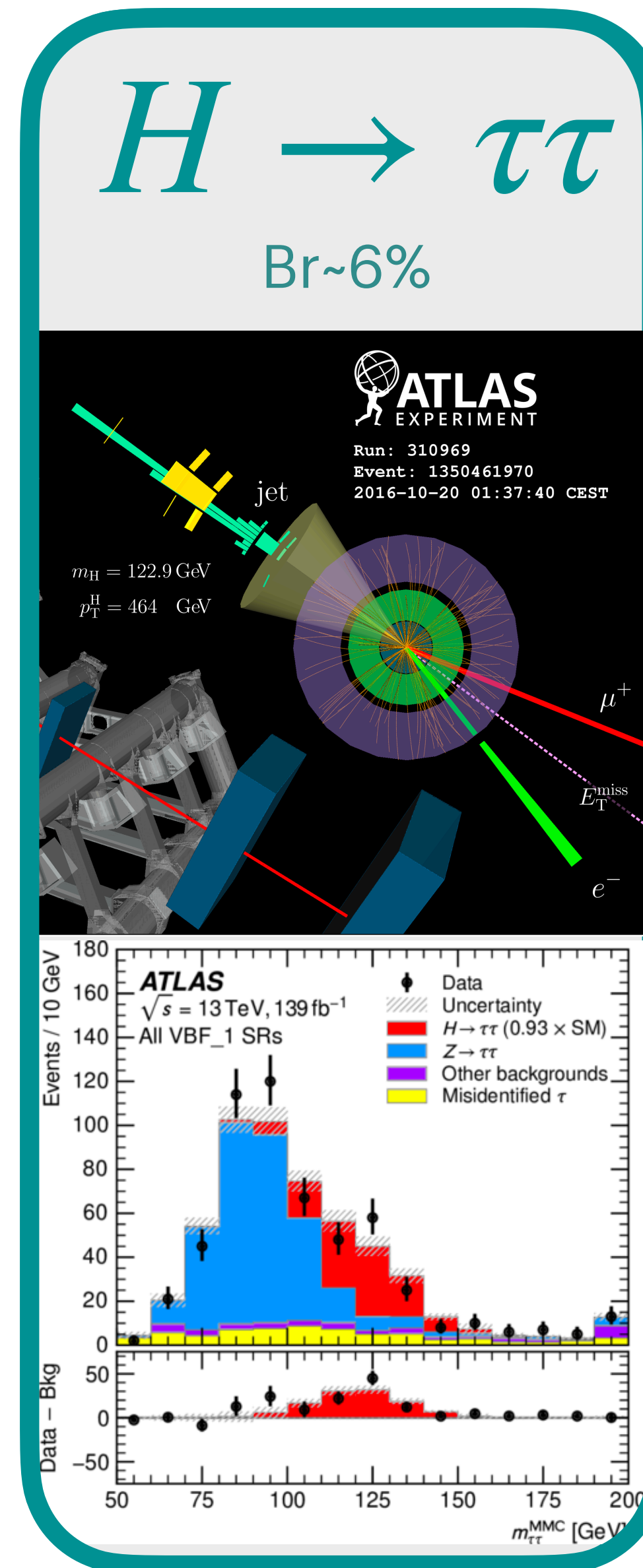
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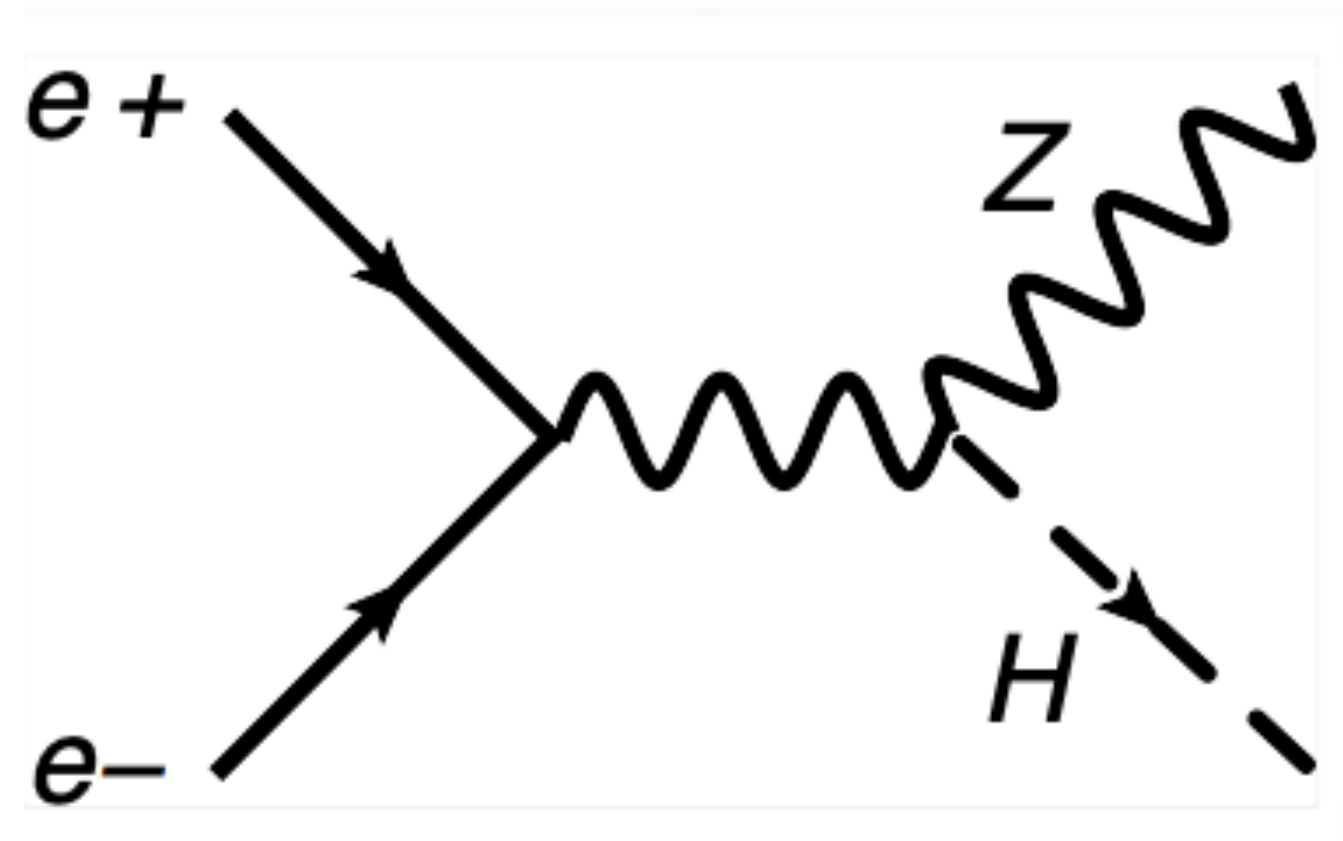
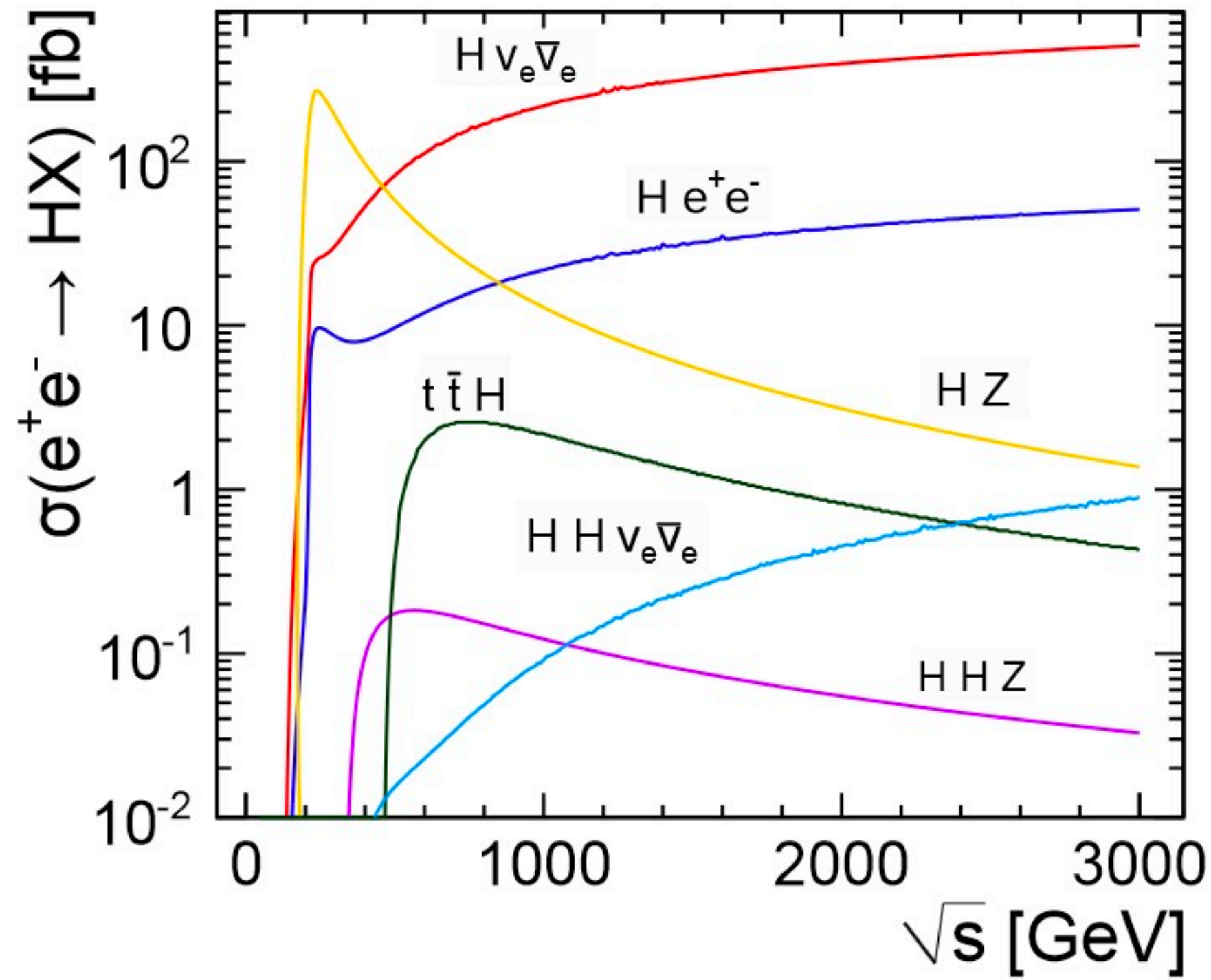
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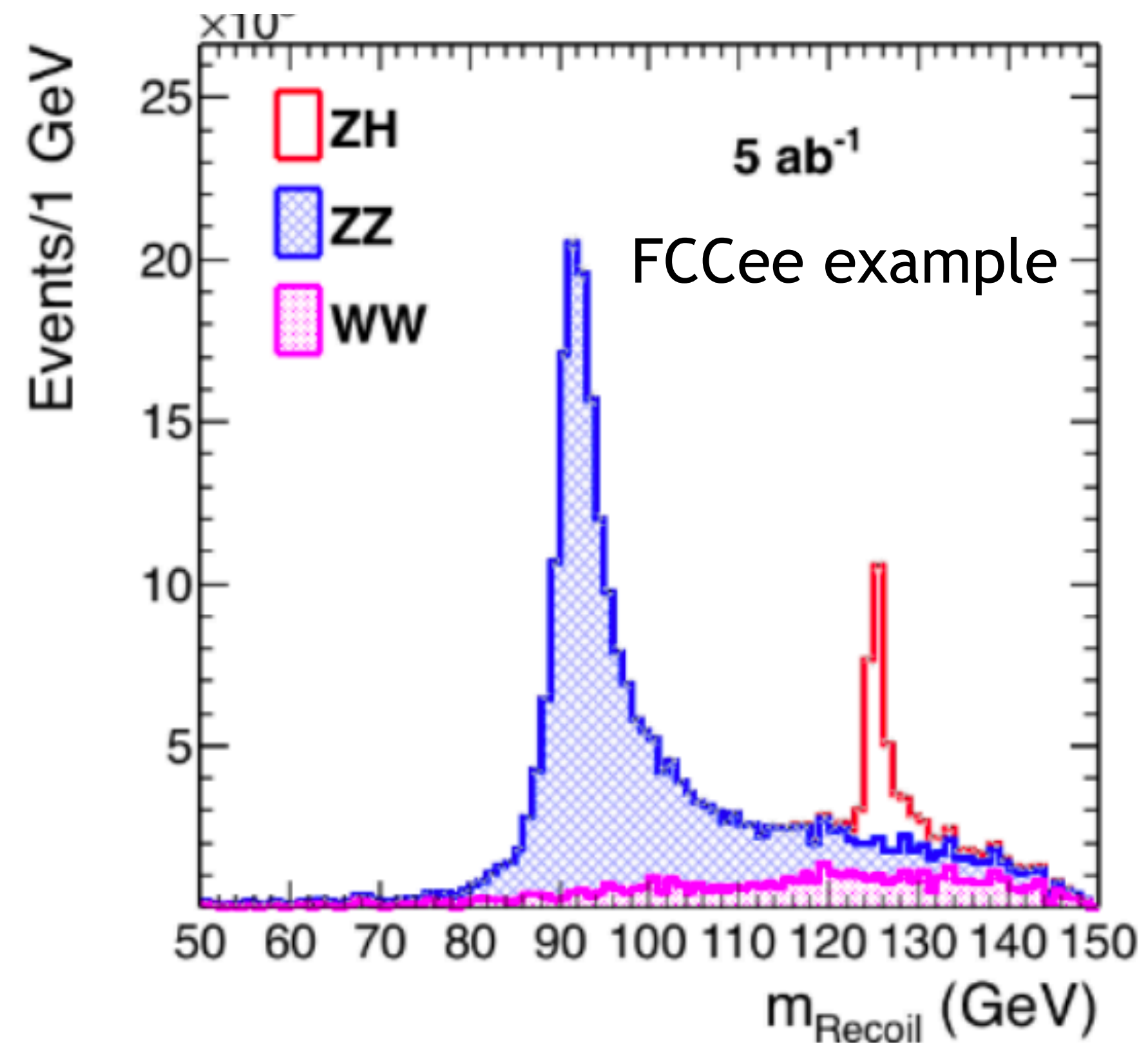


# WHAT ABOUT $e^+e^-$ ?



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 For the **Future “Higgs Factories” ( $e^+e^-$  machines, different proposals being discussed)** : different diagrams and very different experimental scenario (very clean)

Exploit the recoil against a Z for a precise, model independent measurement of ZH

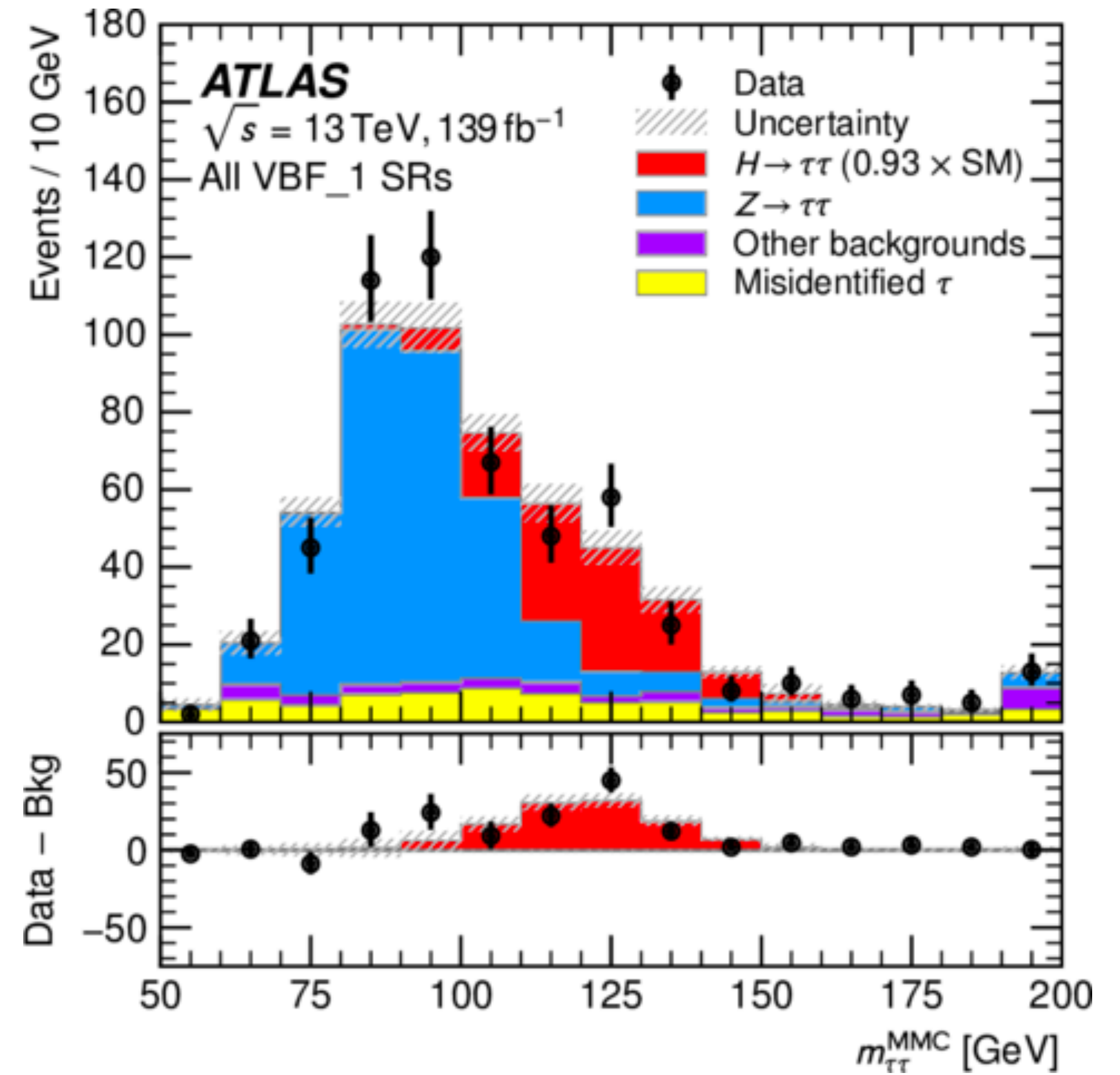
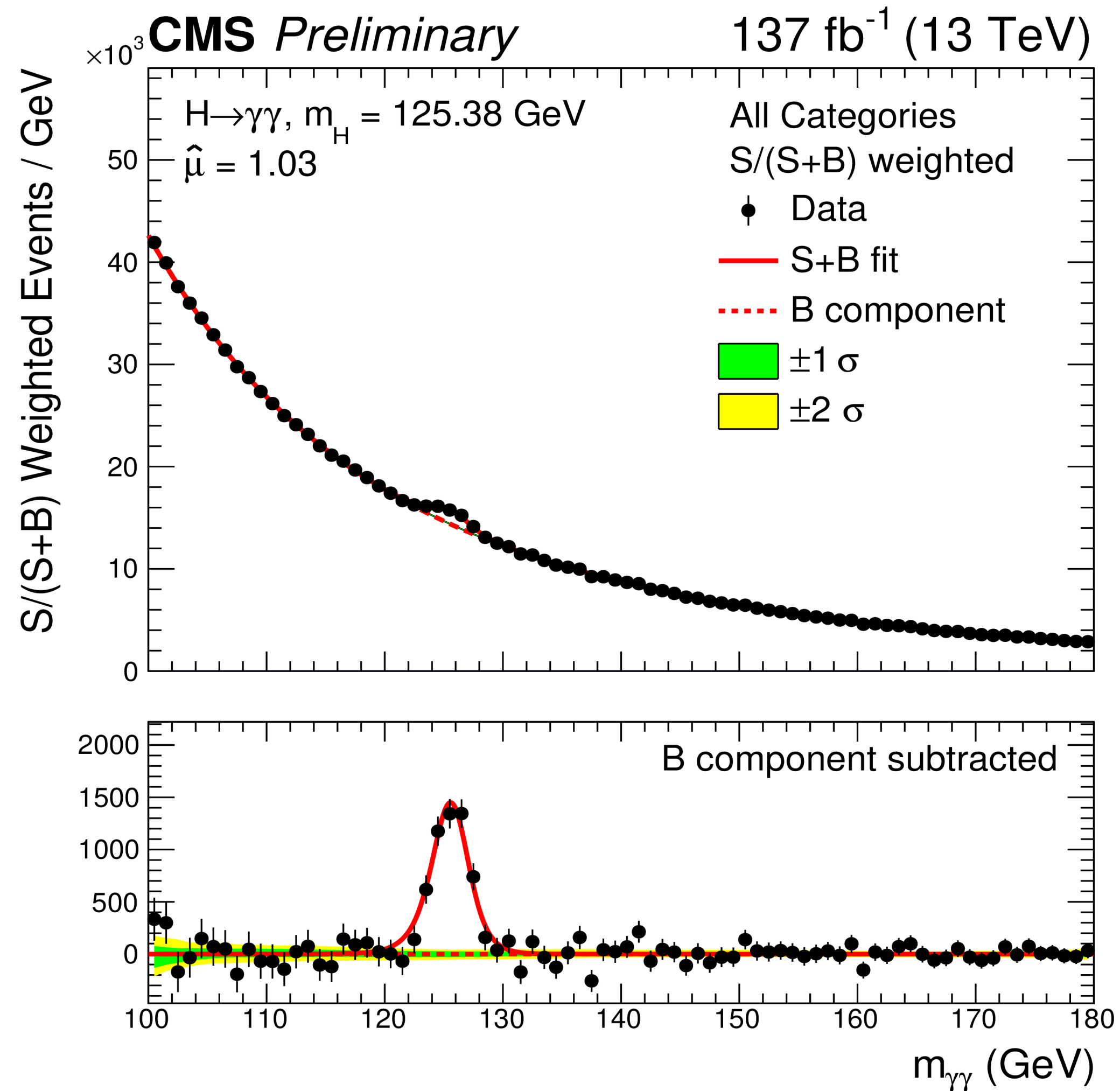




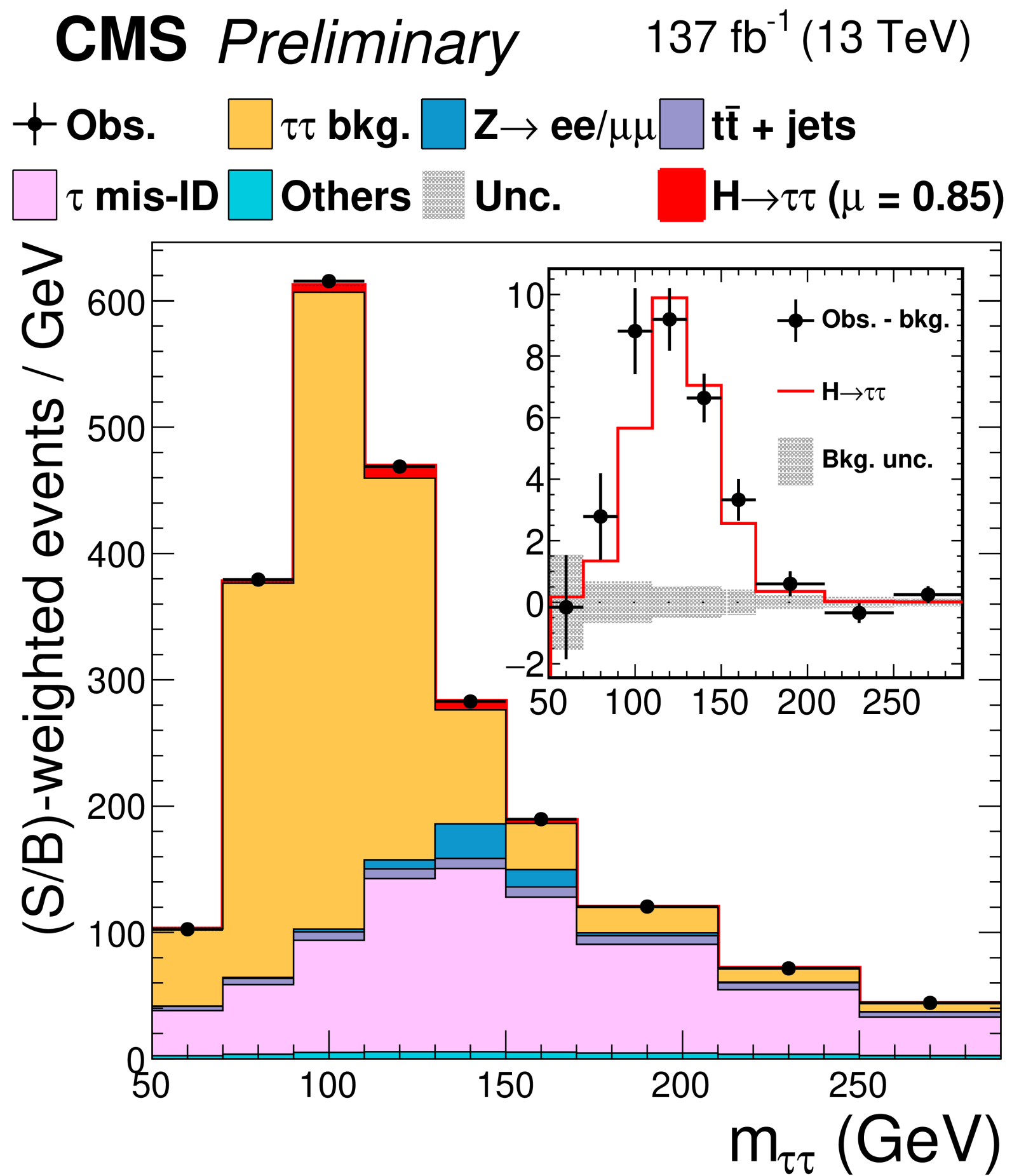
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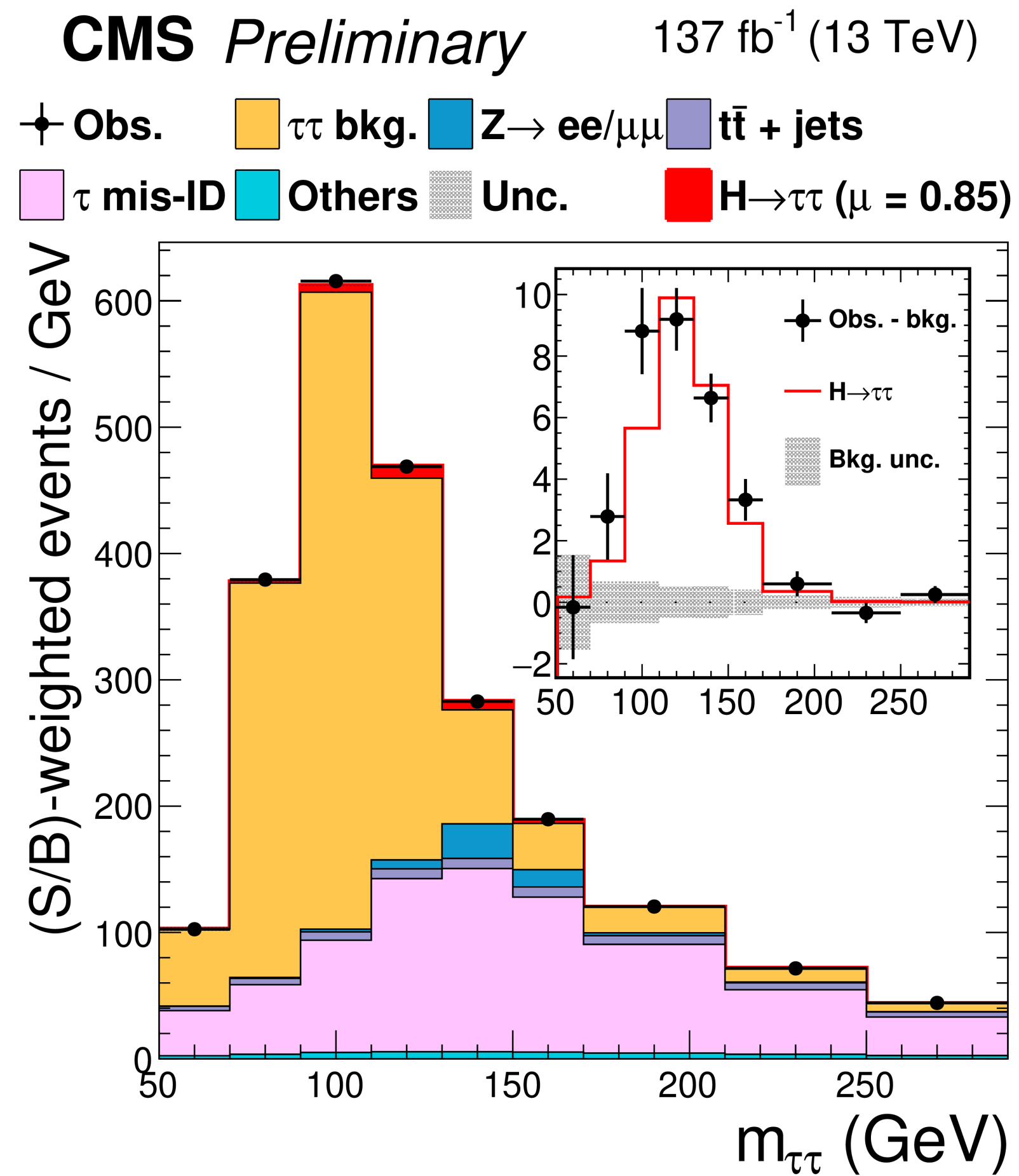
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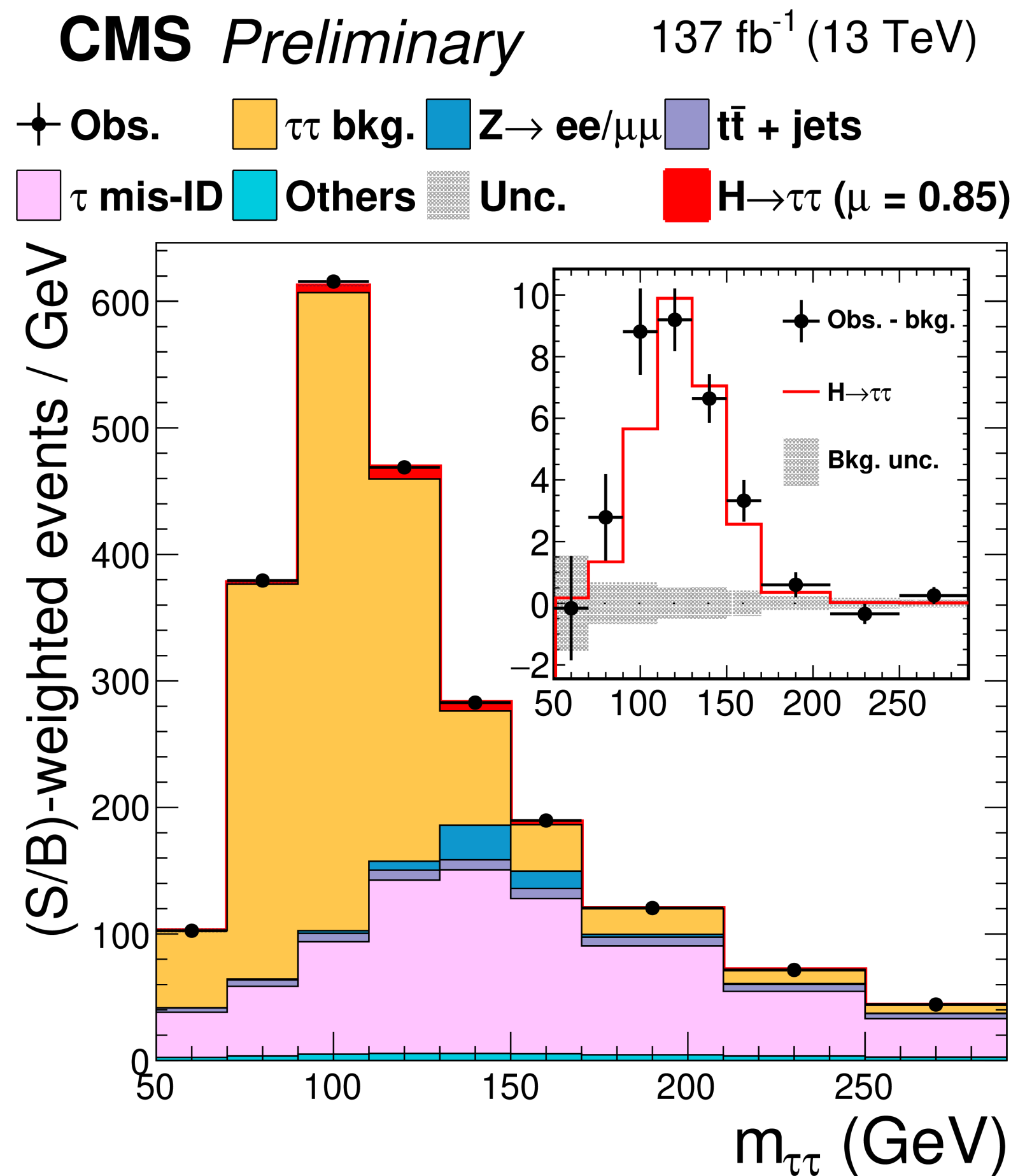


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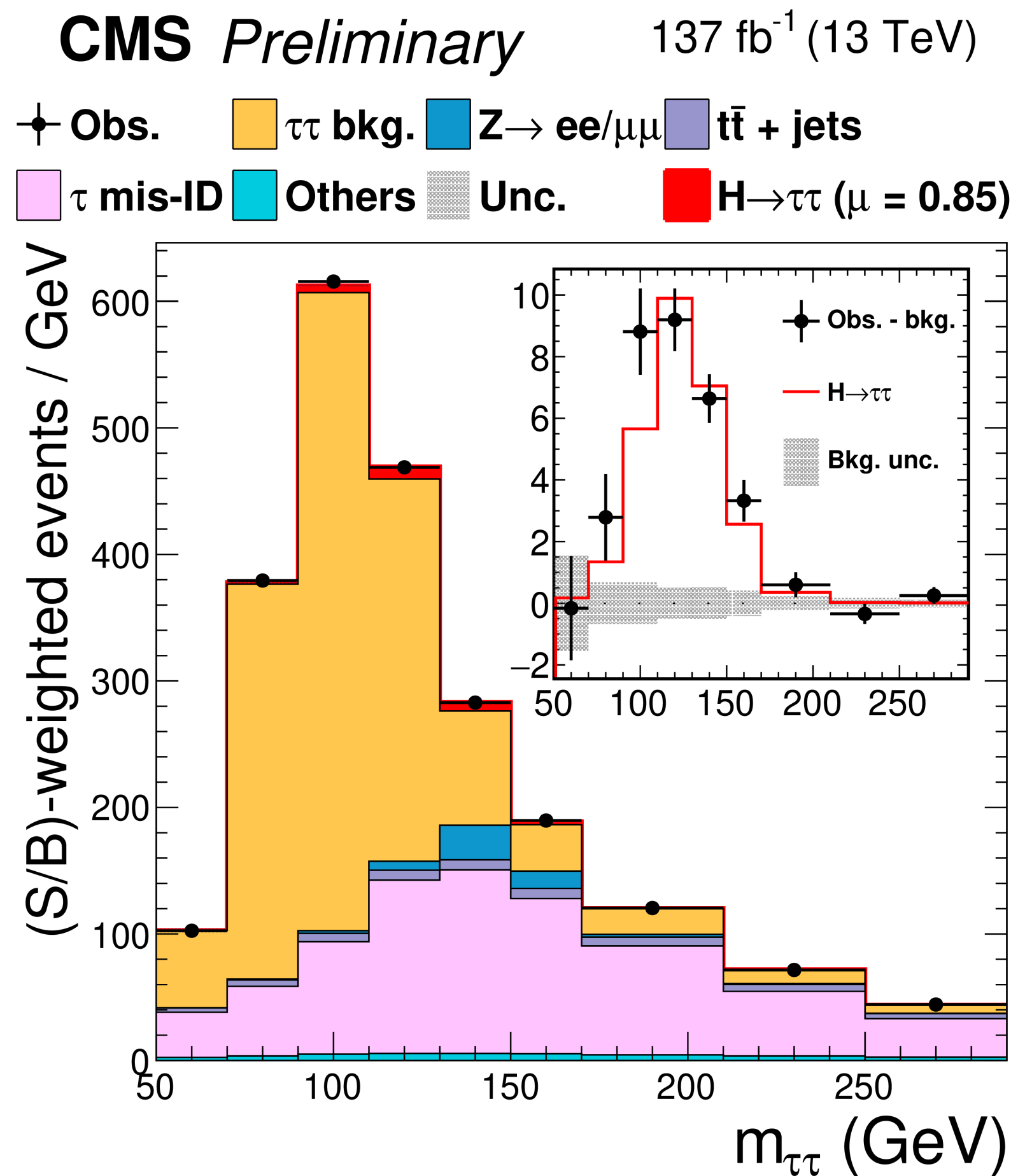
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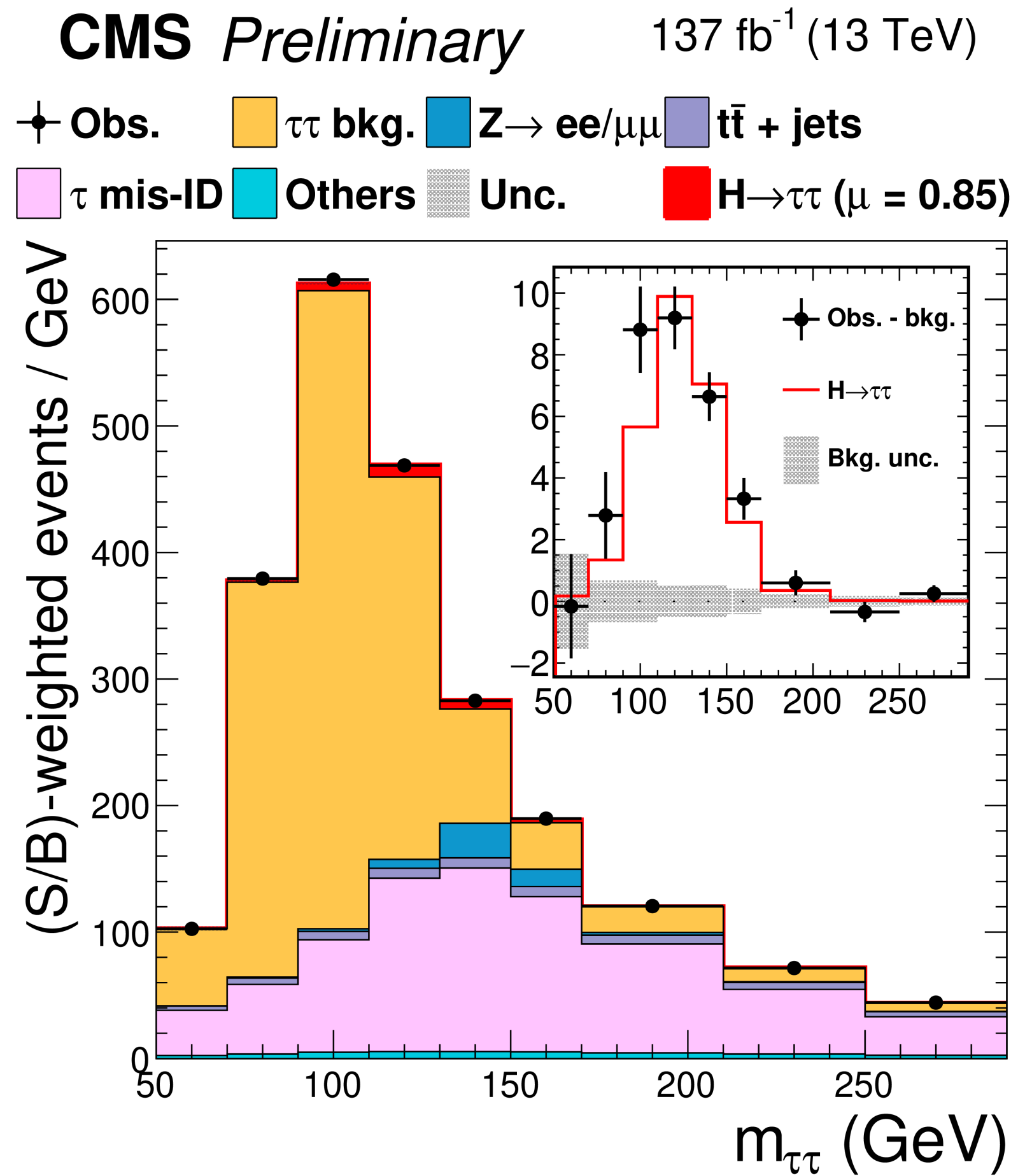
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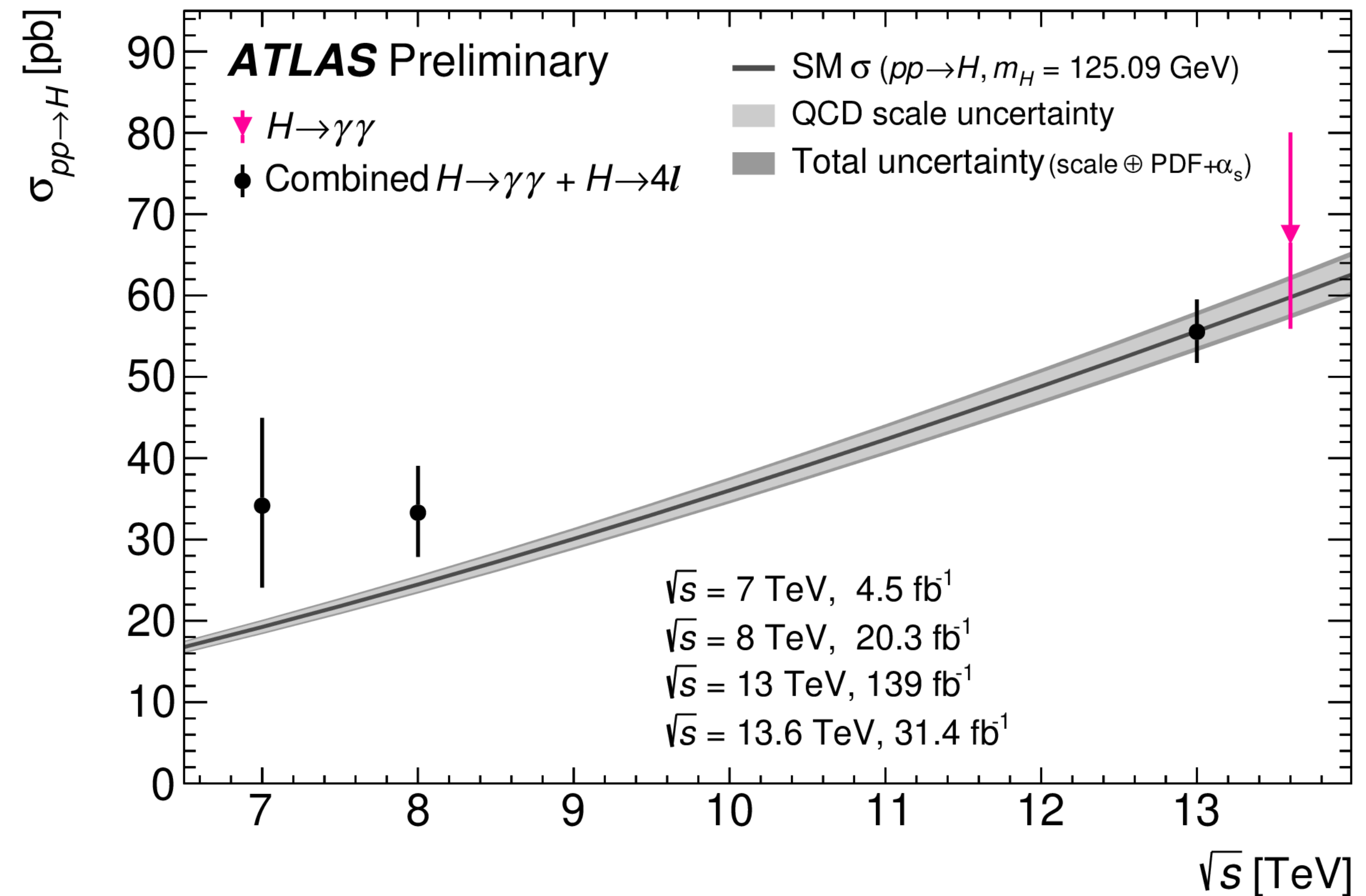
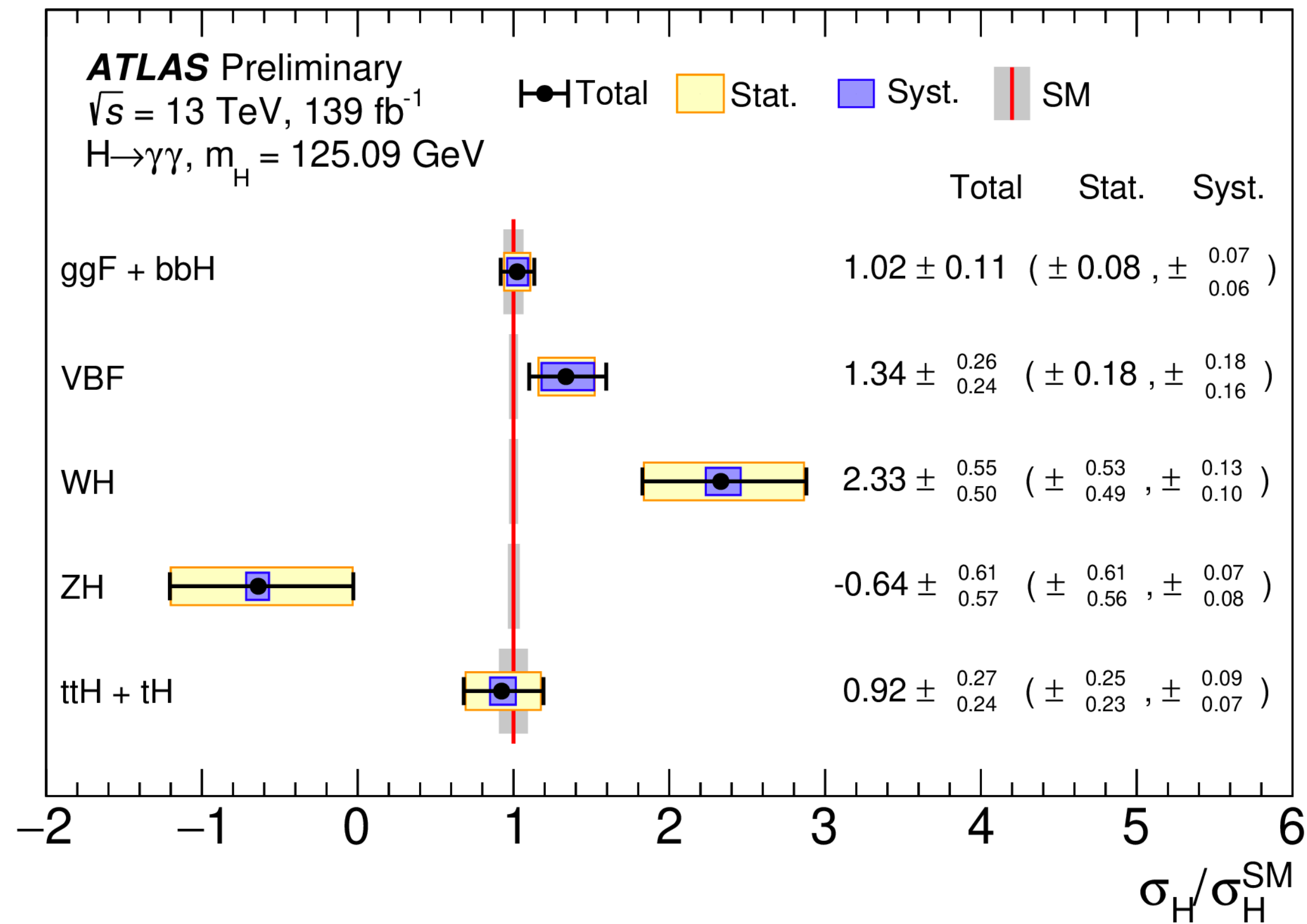
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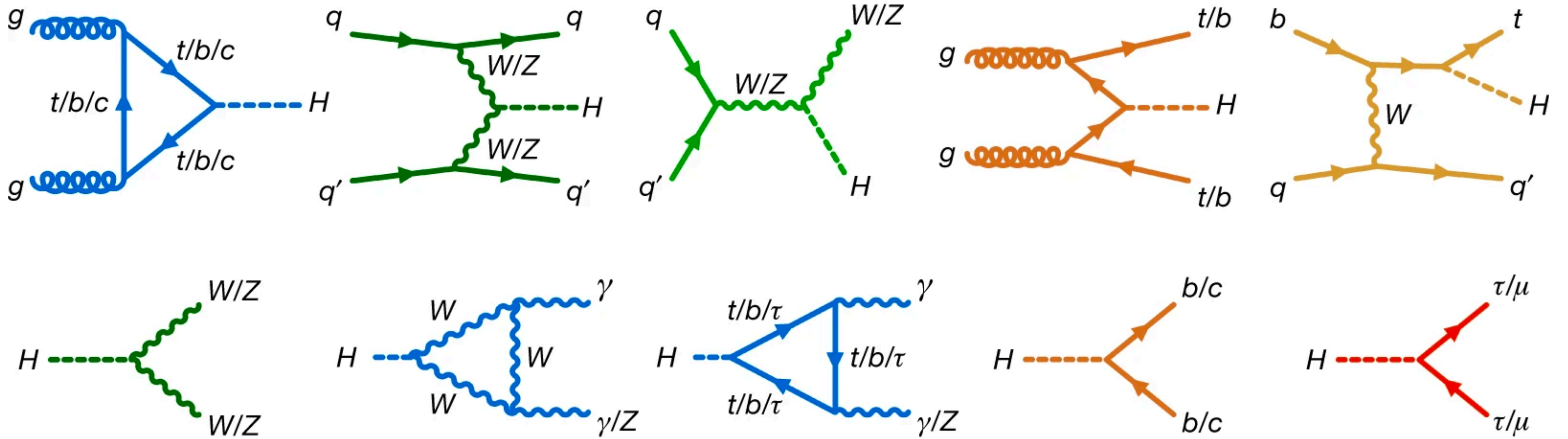
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rates, signal strengths ( $\mu = \sigma_H / \sigma_H^{\text{SM}}$ ), production cross sections



**LOOKING AT ALL THE CHANNELS TOGETHER**



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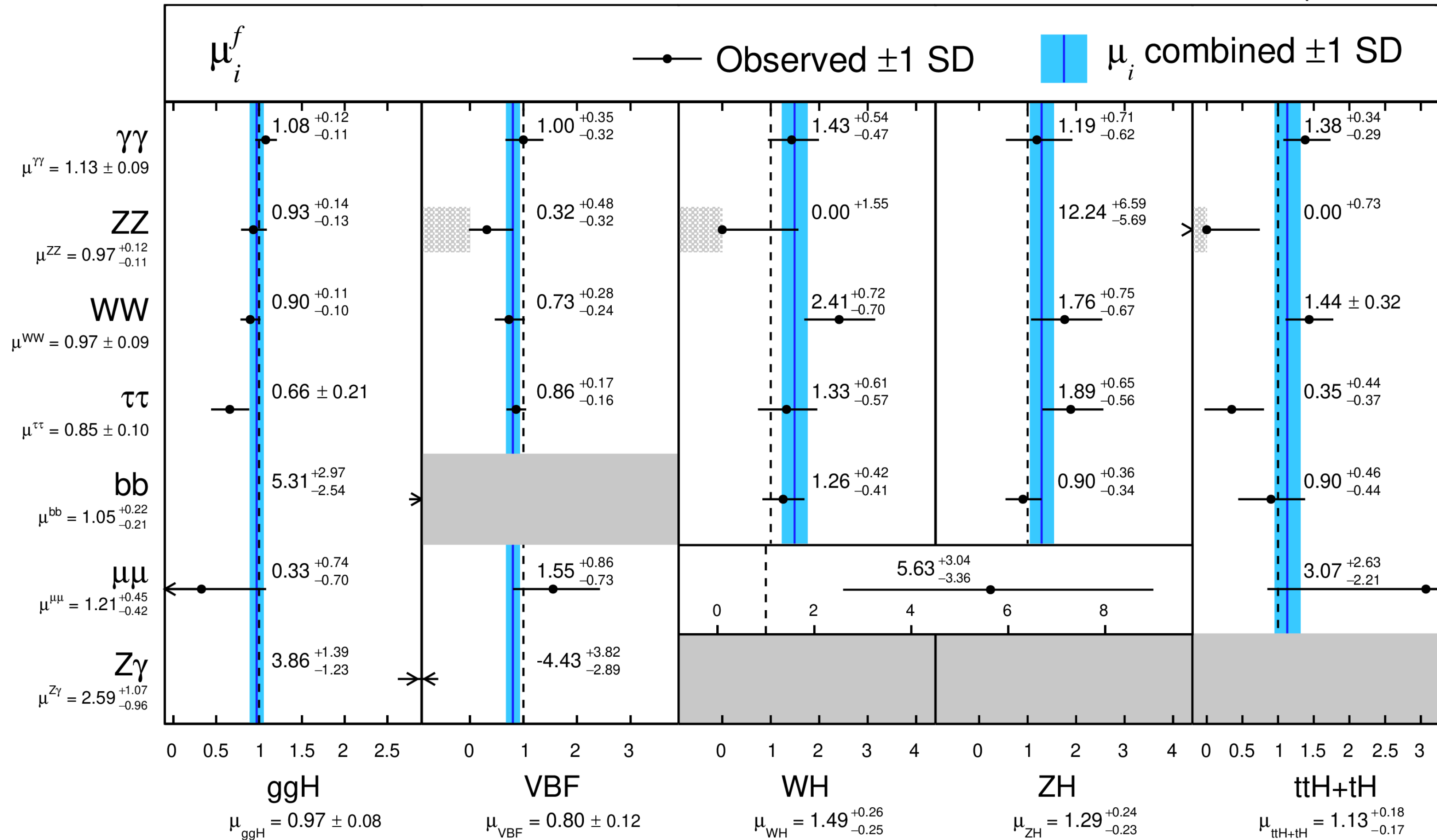
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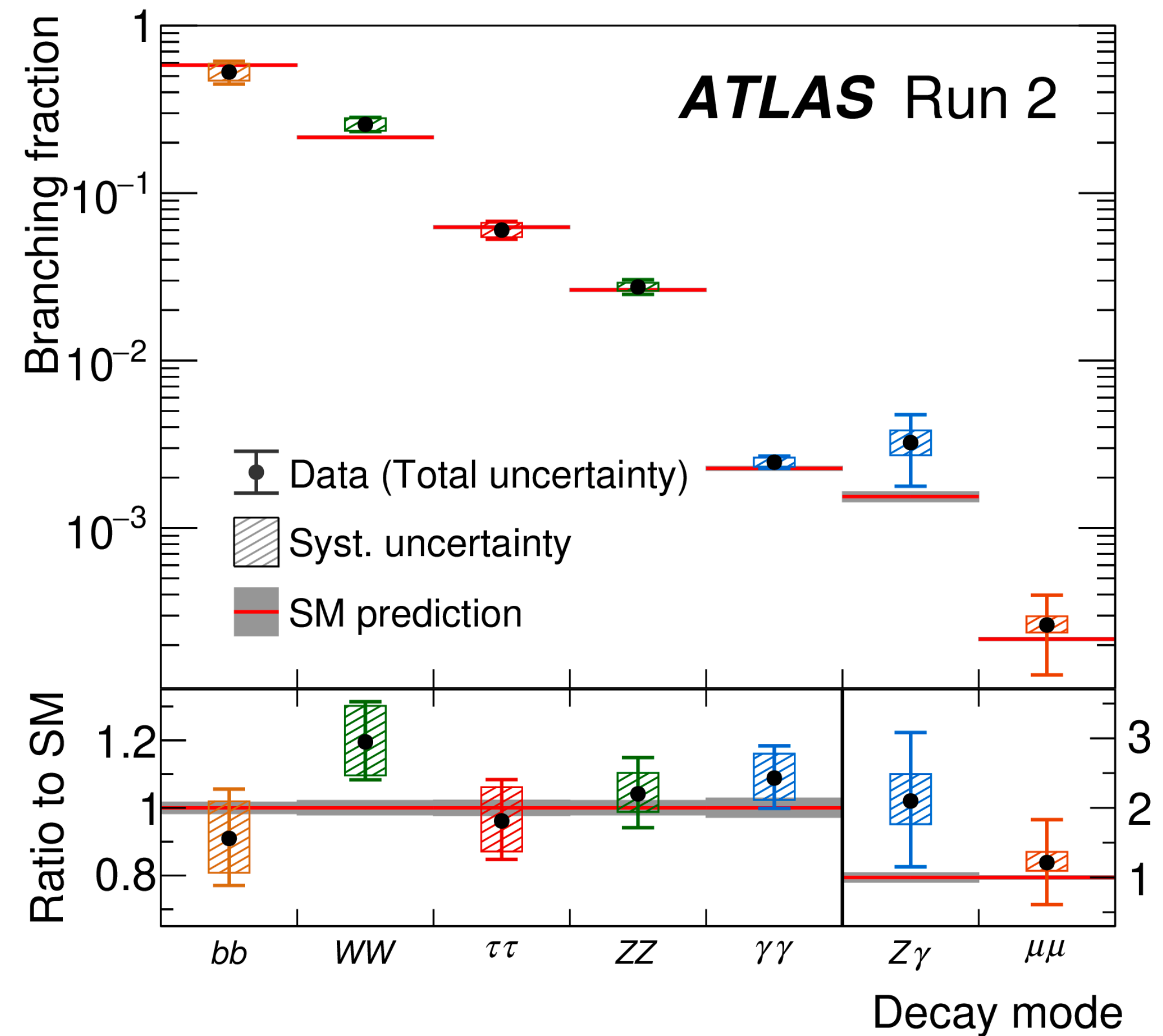
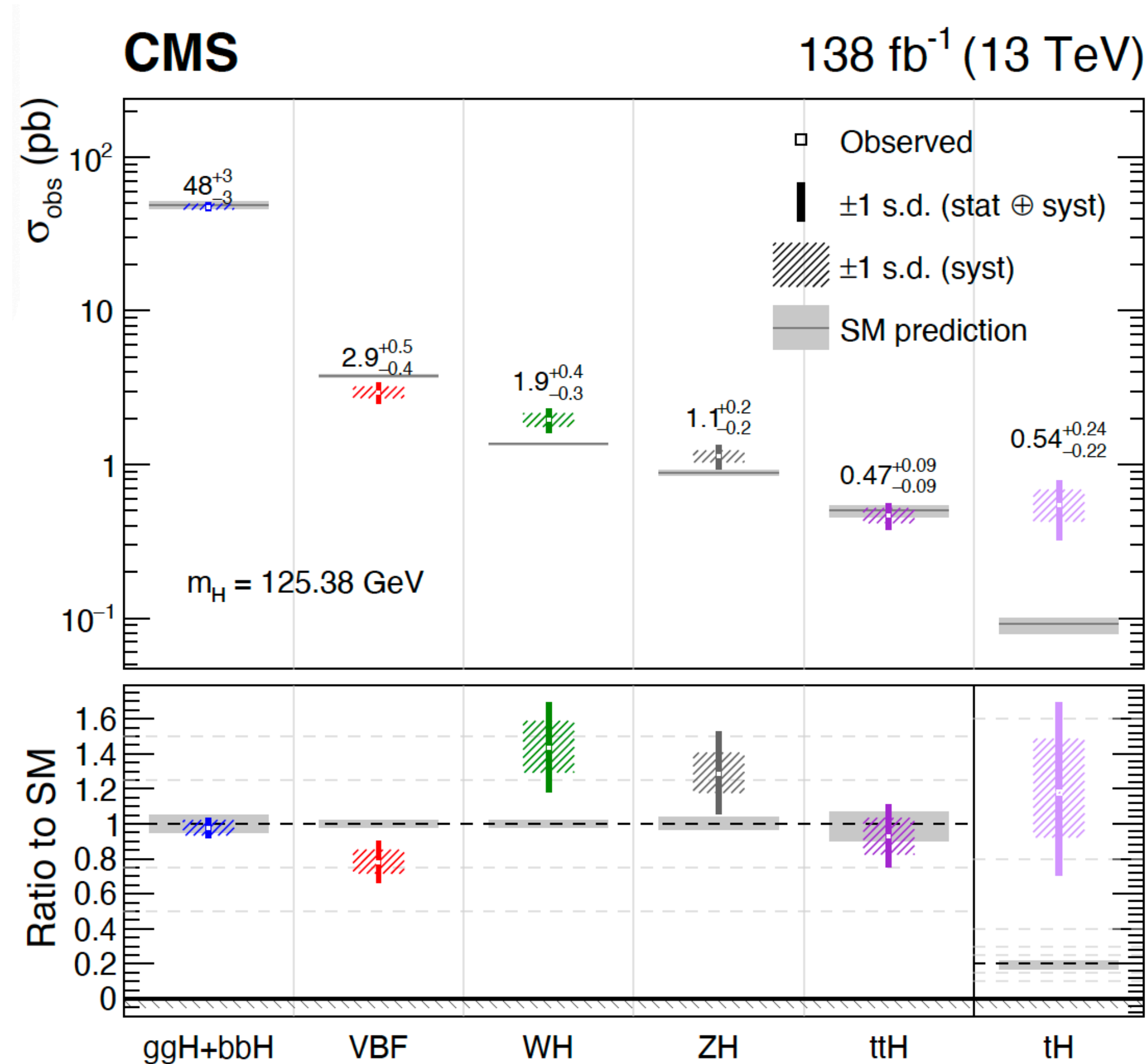
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$$\mu_{CMS} = 1.002 \pm 0.057$$

$$\mu_{ATLAS} = 1.05 \pm 0.06$$



# PRODUCTION X DECAY



Today, CMS&ATLAS have independently measured the main production and decay modes. Rarer modes (tH, Muons, ZGamma, Charm) not yet observed: being targeted for future runs.

Overall, uncertainties are still larger than we need.

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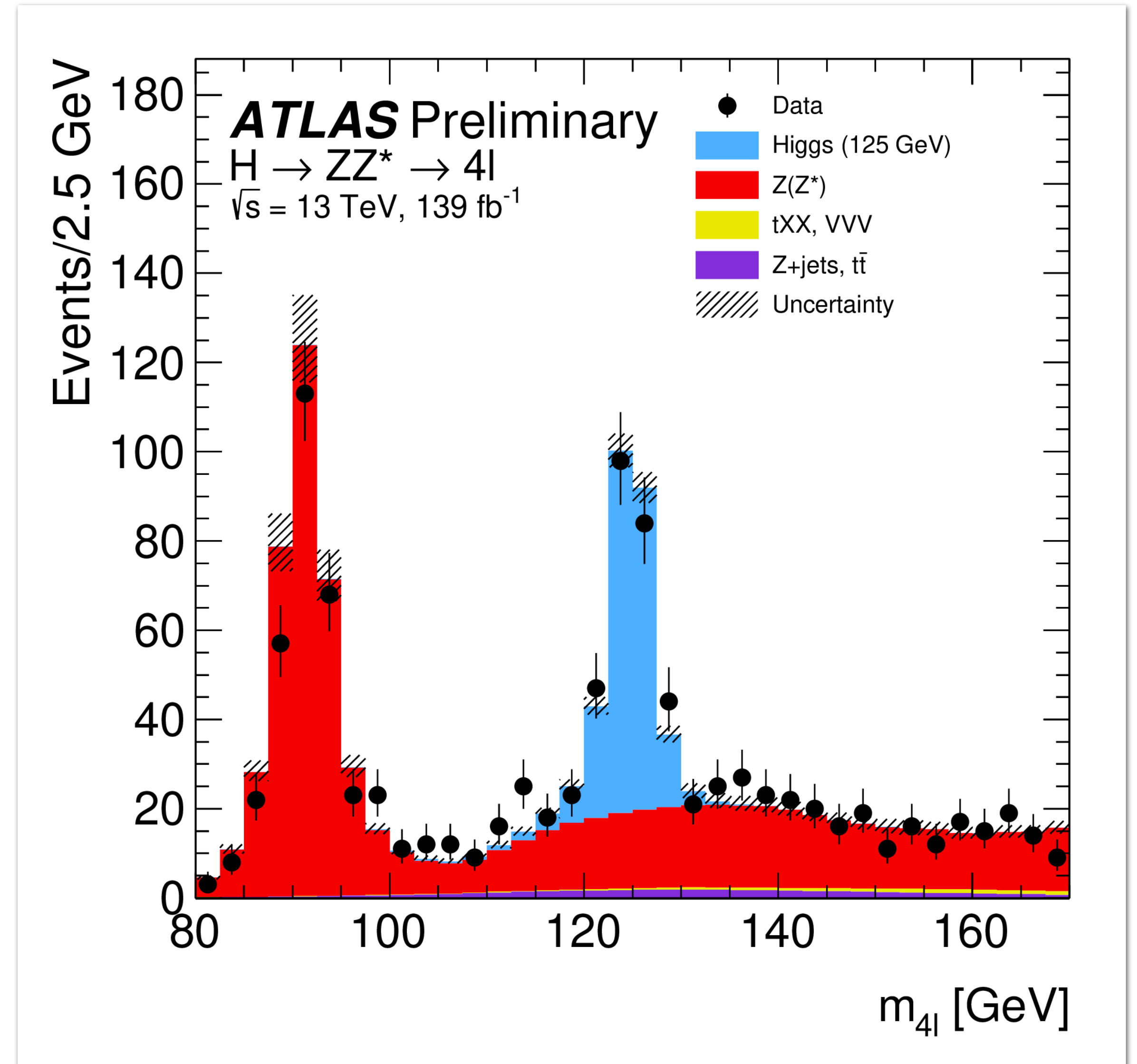
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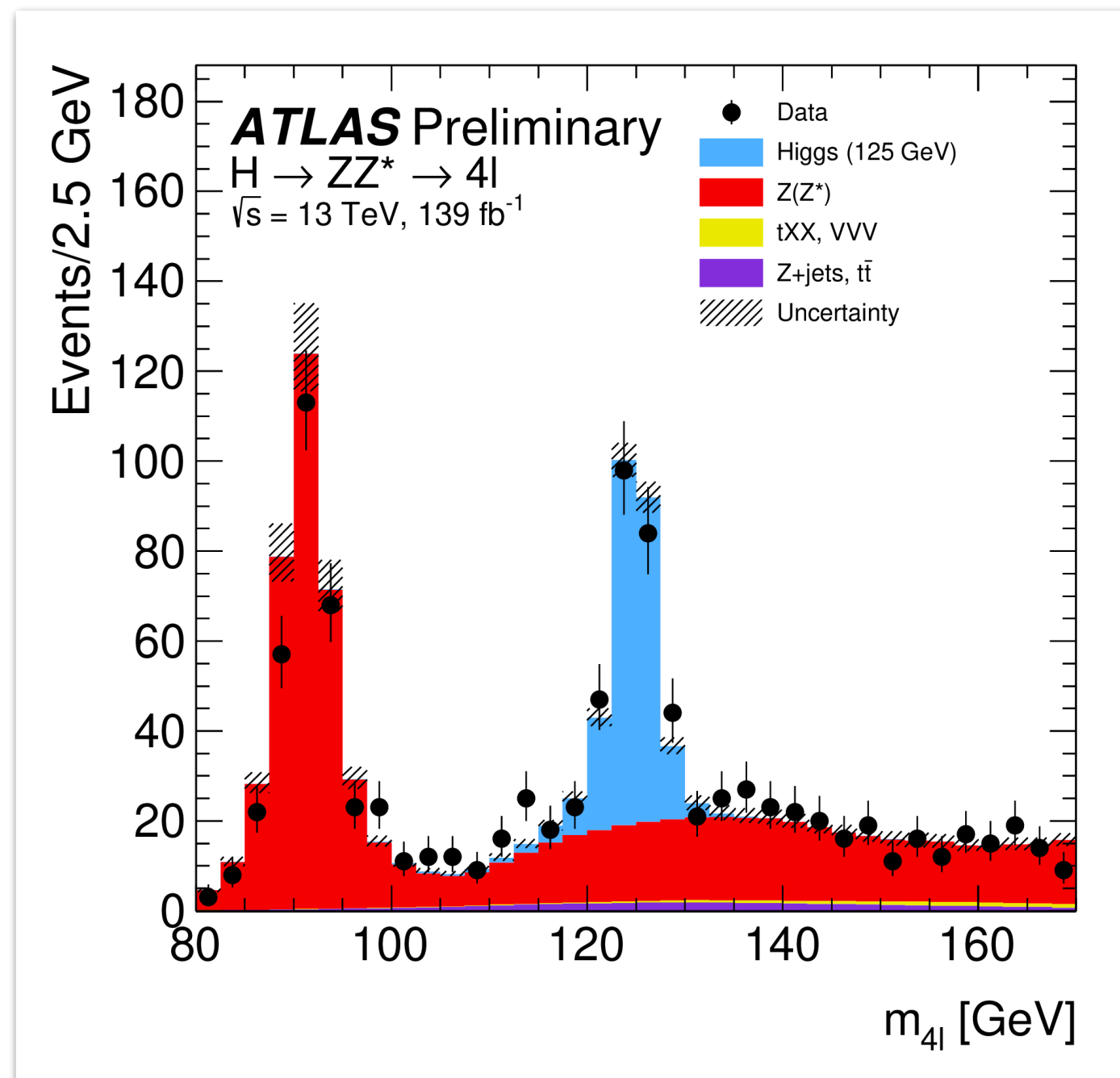


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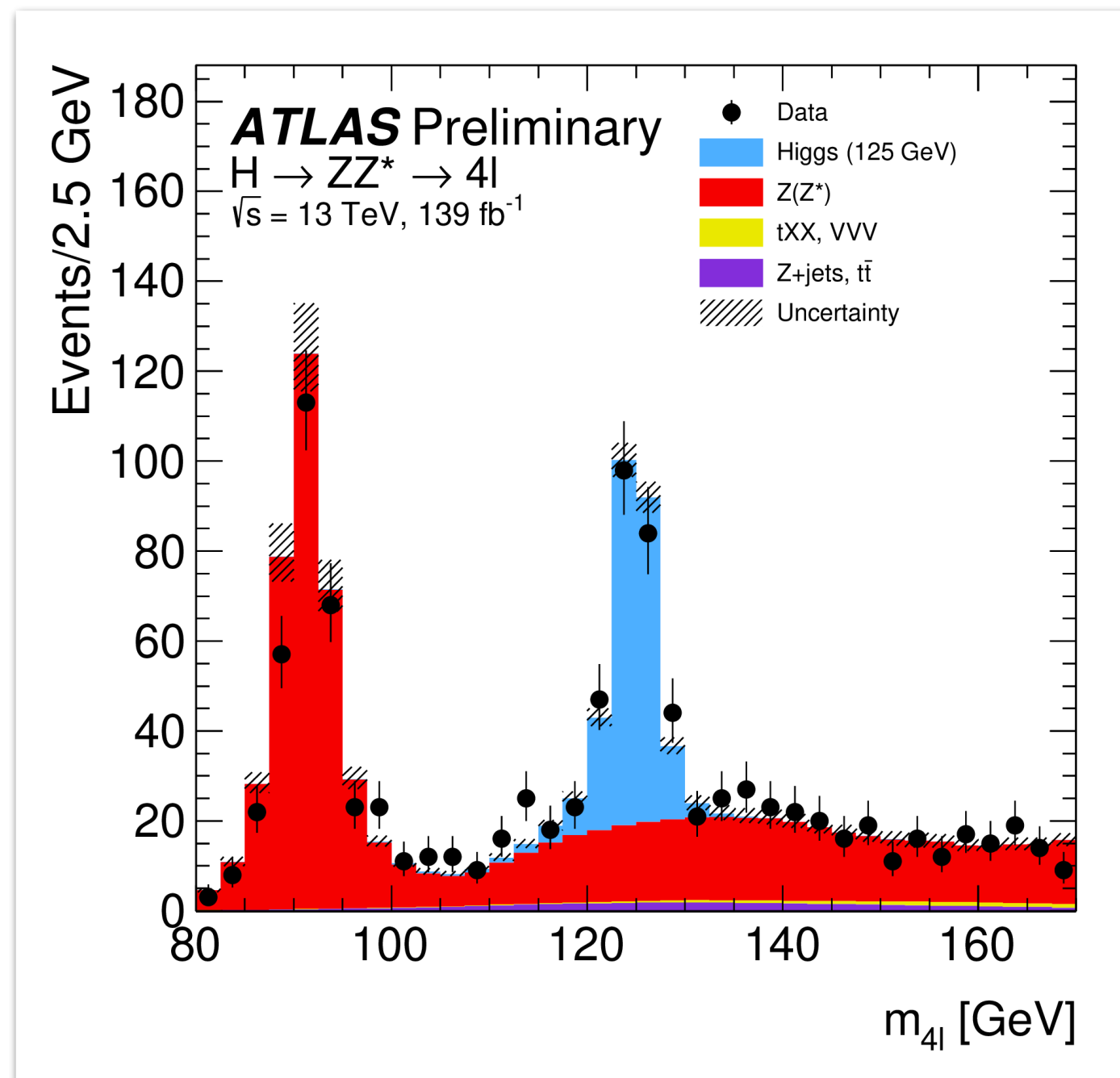
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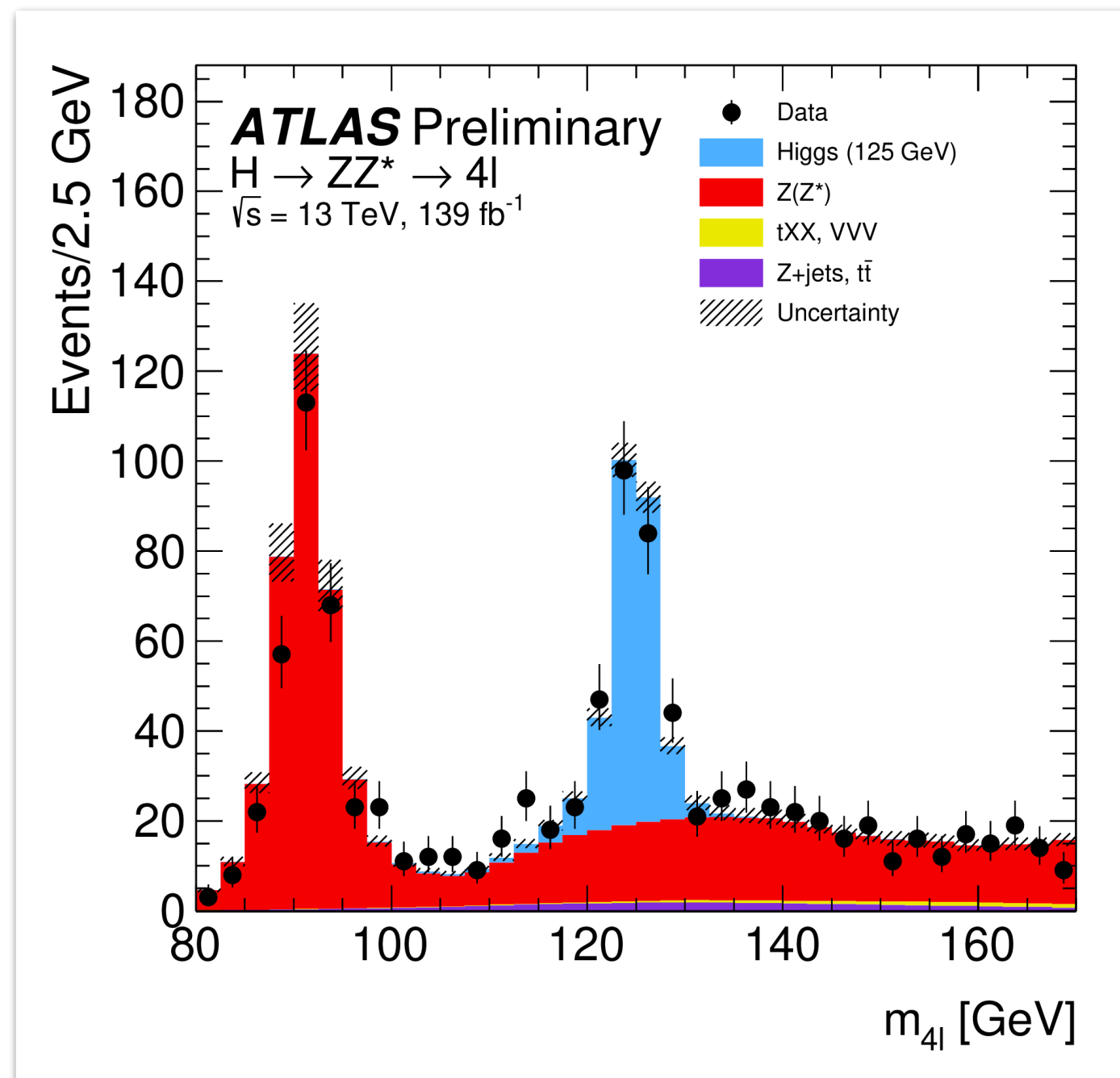
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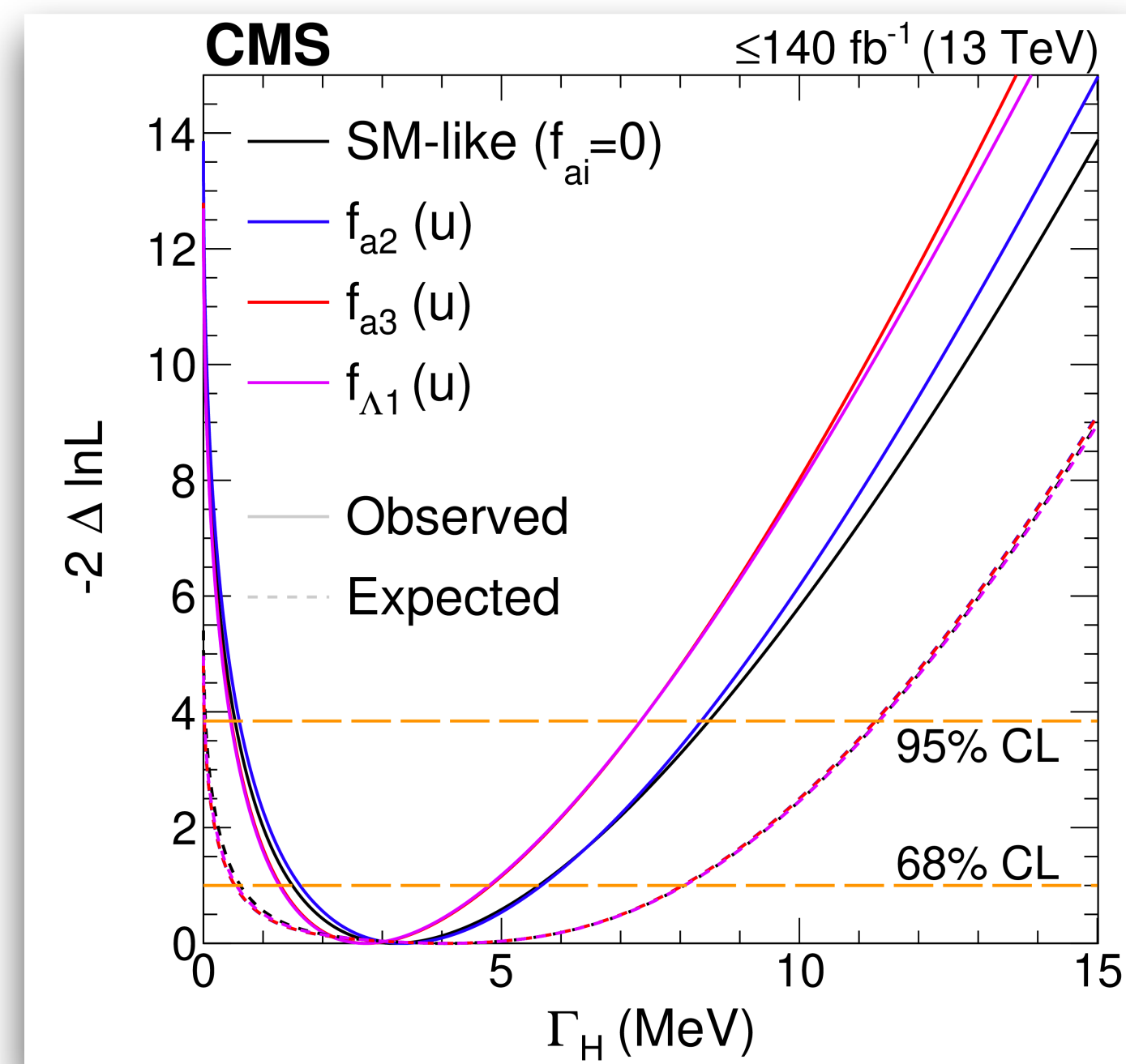
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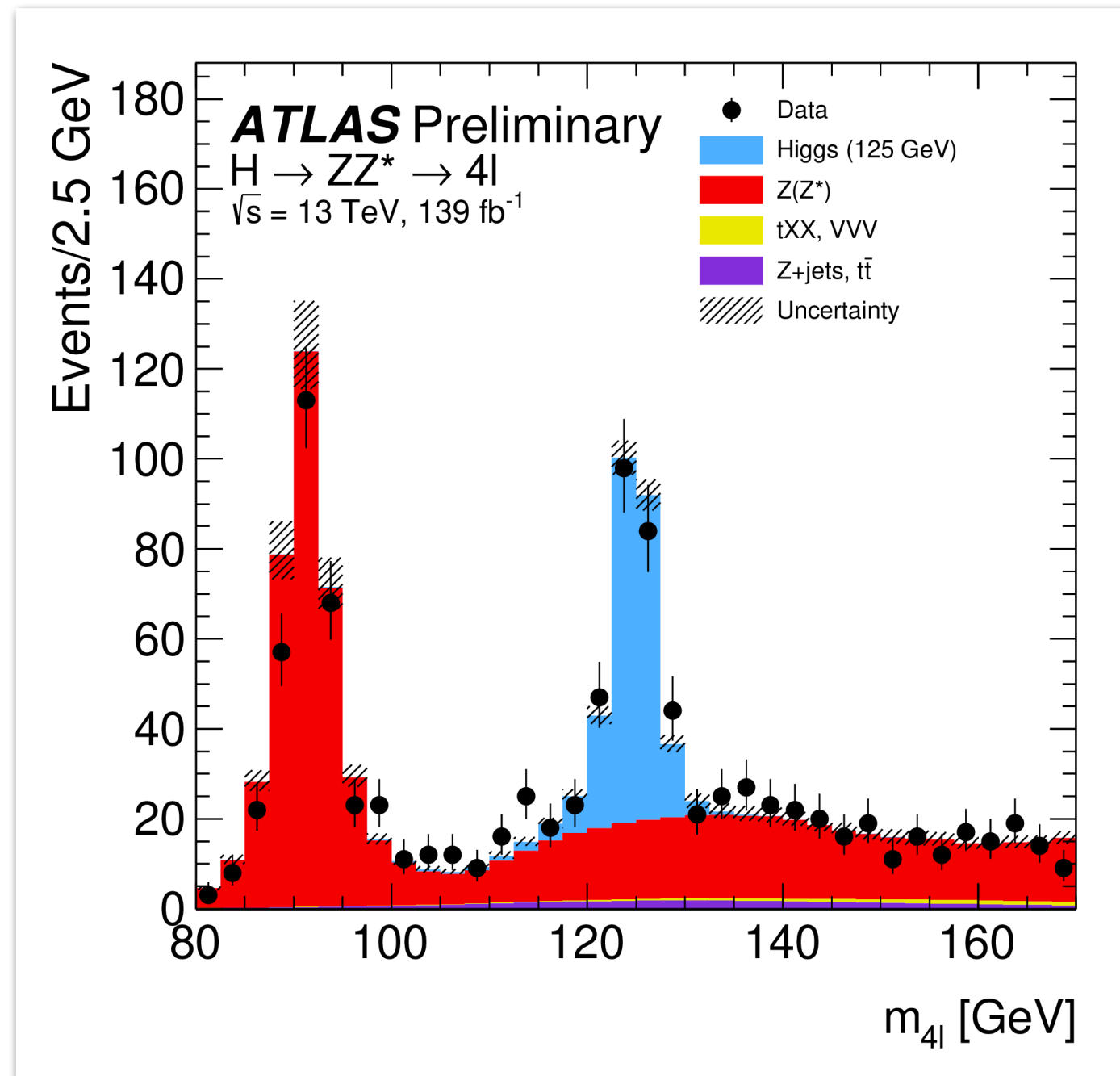
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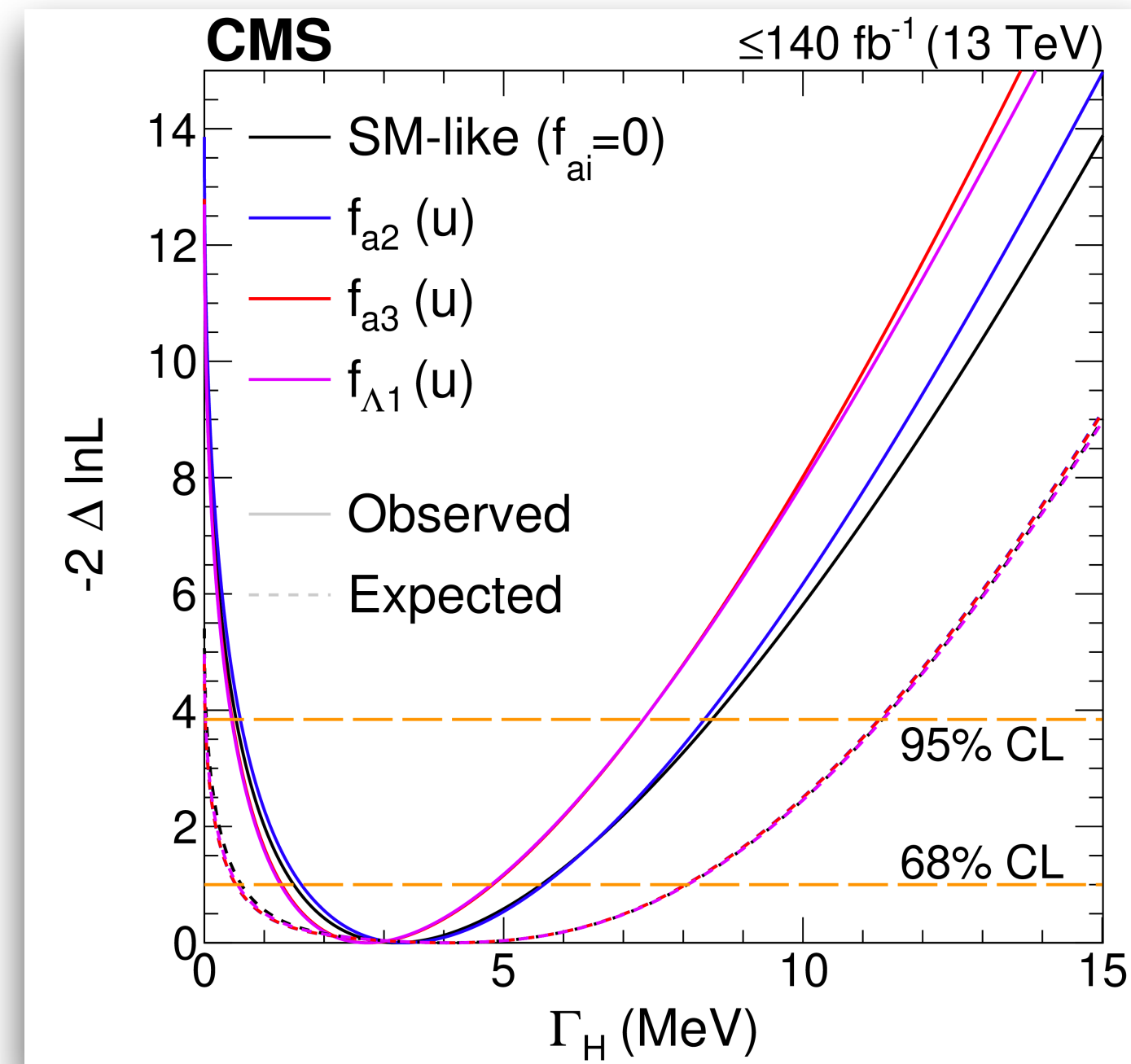
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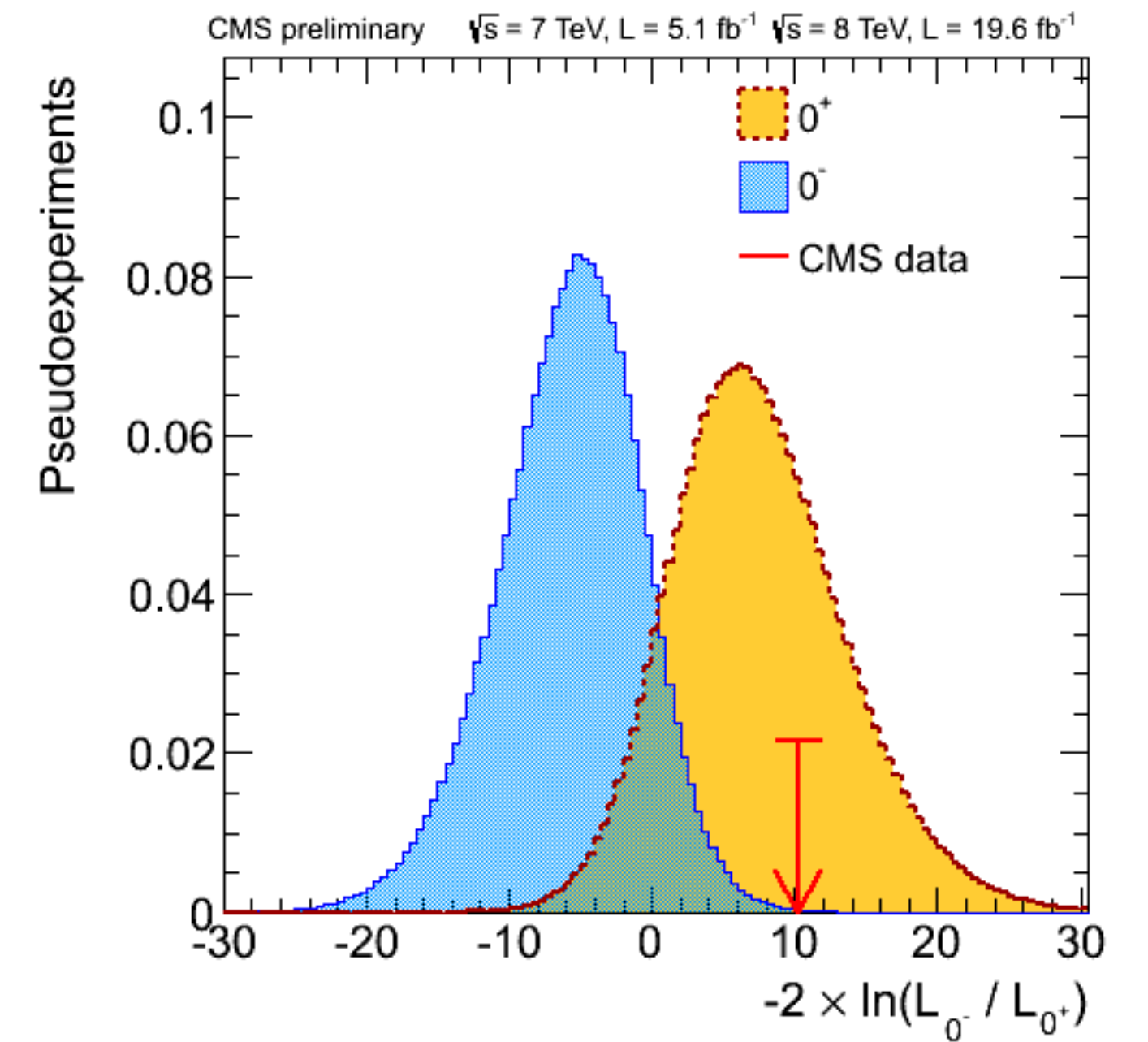
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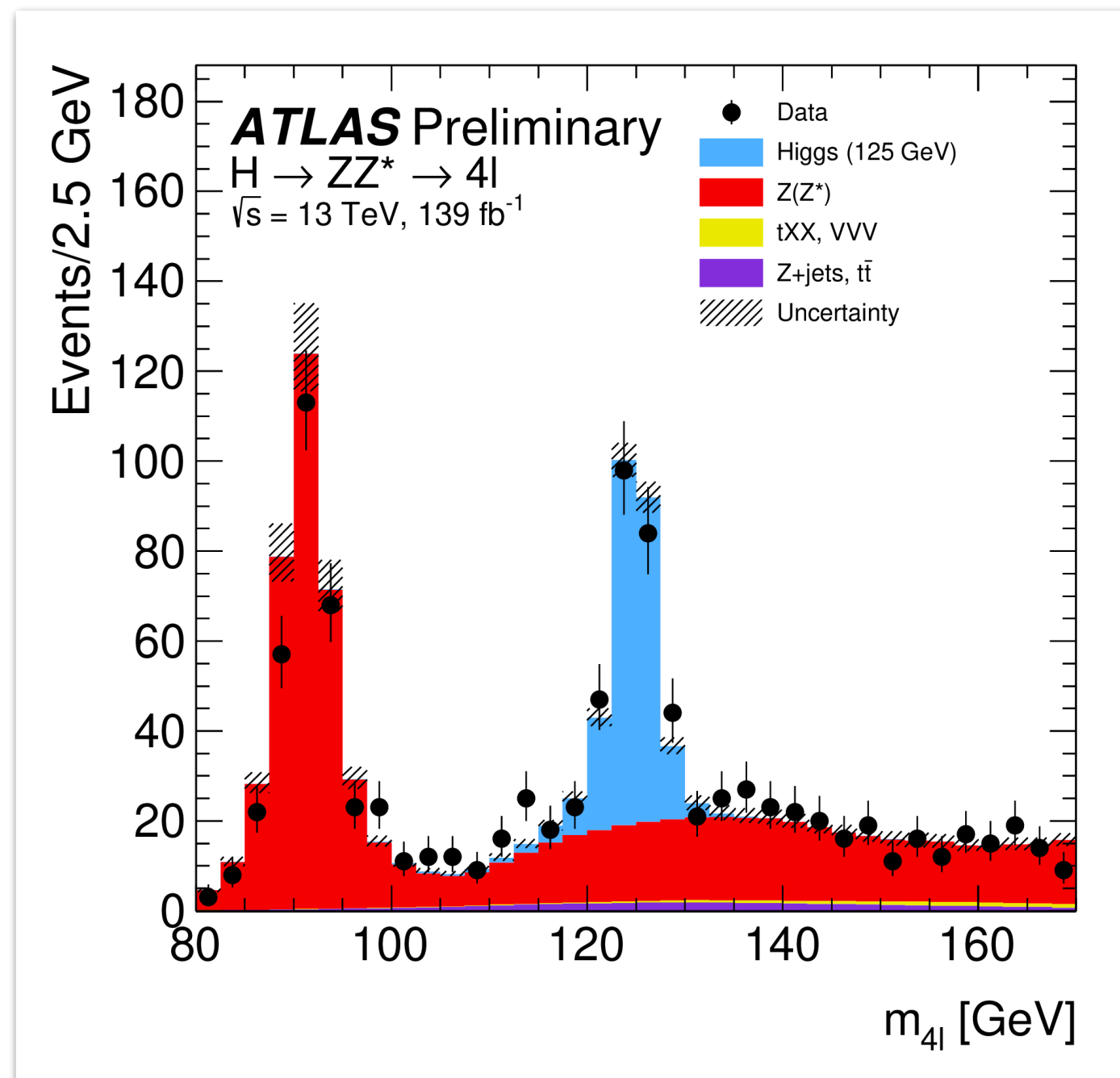
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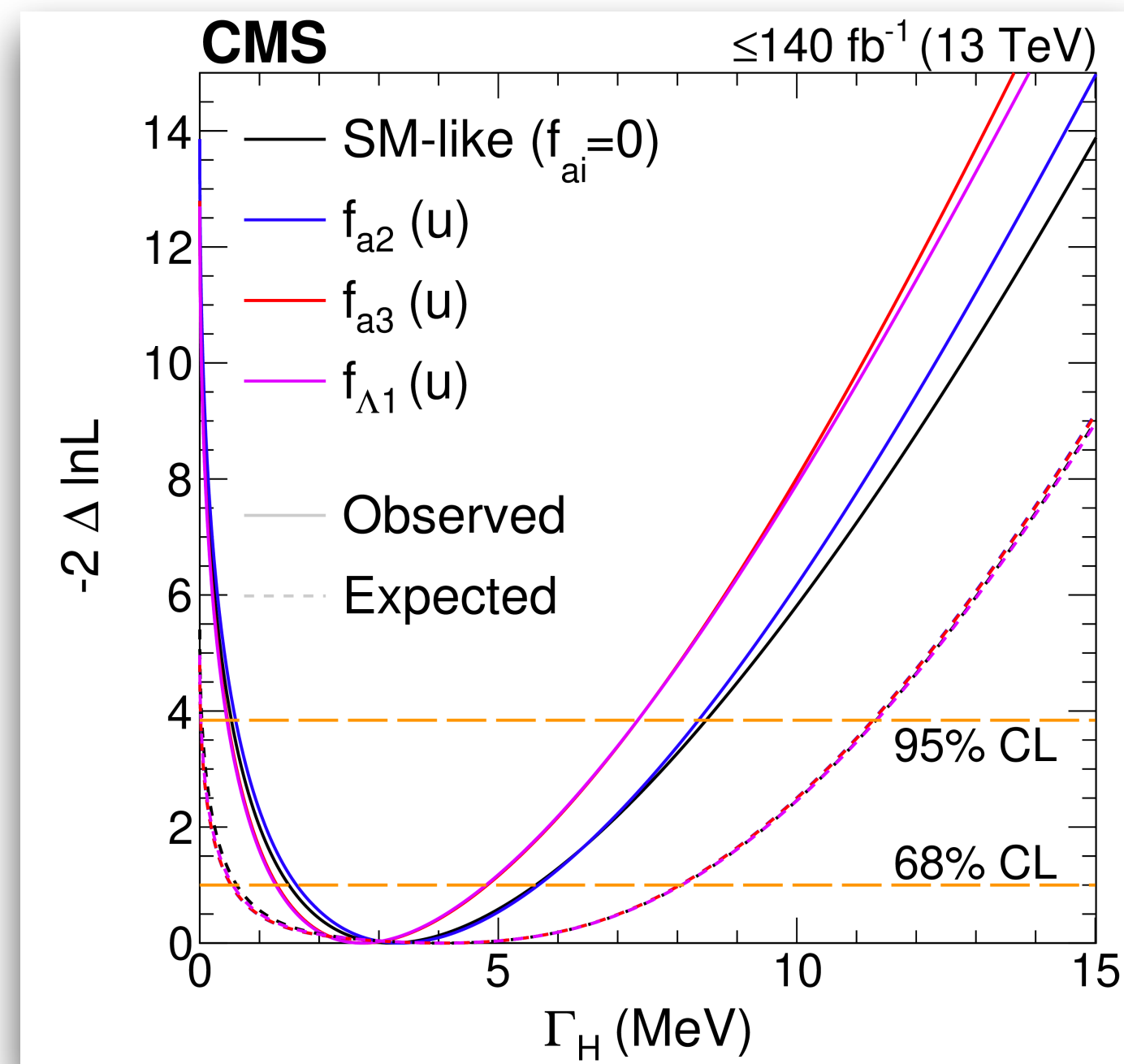
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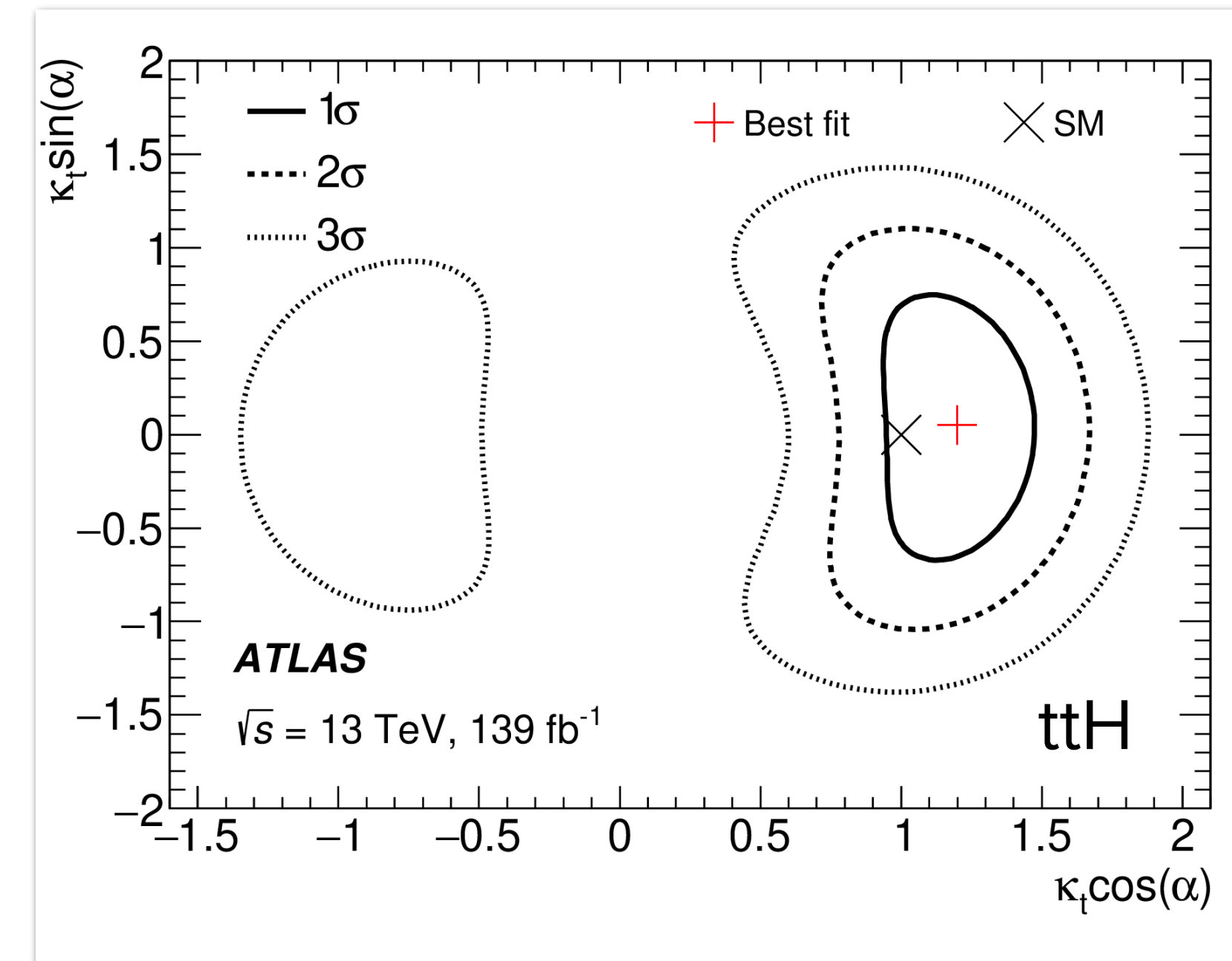
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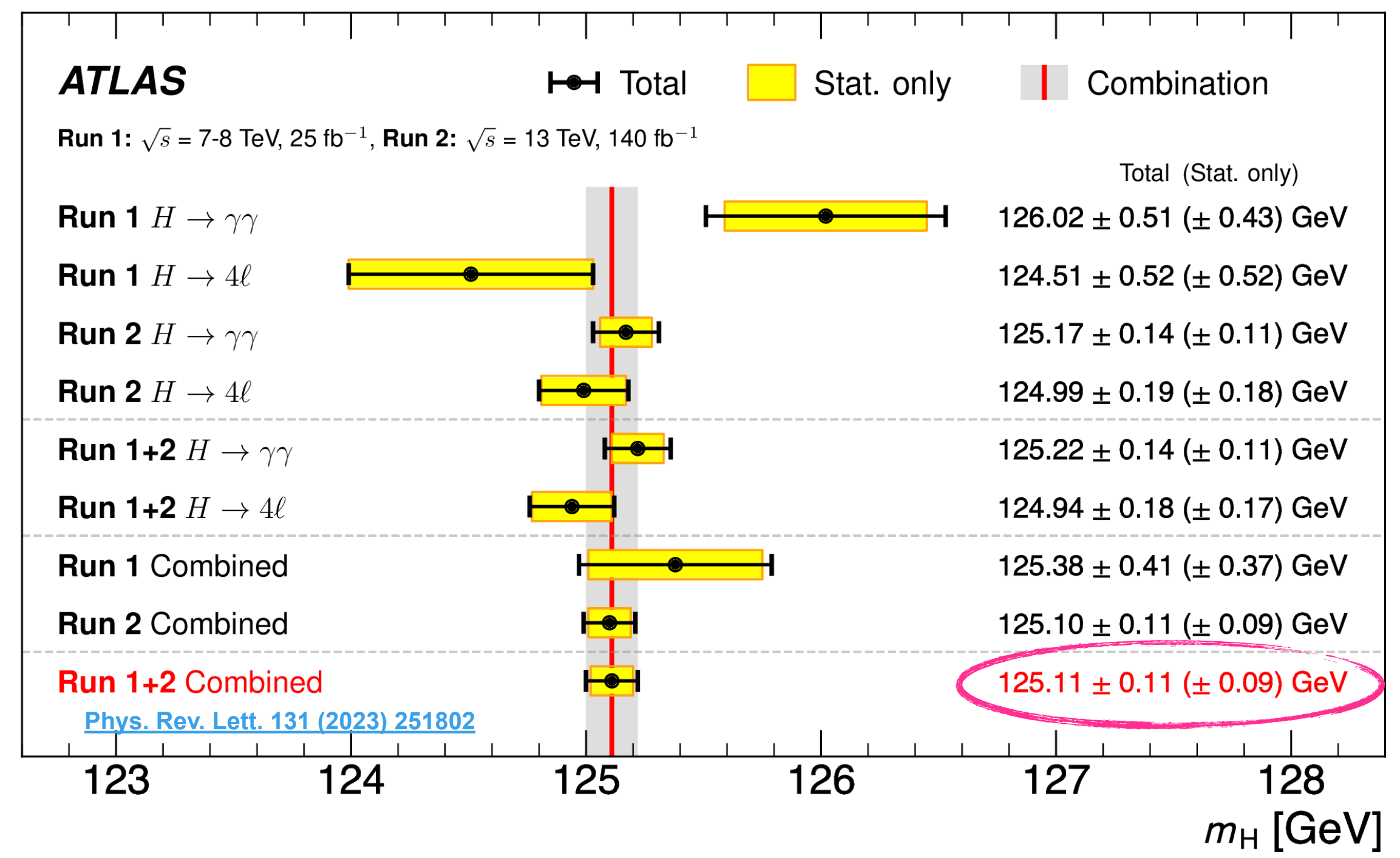
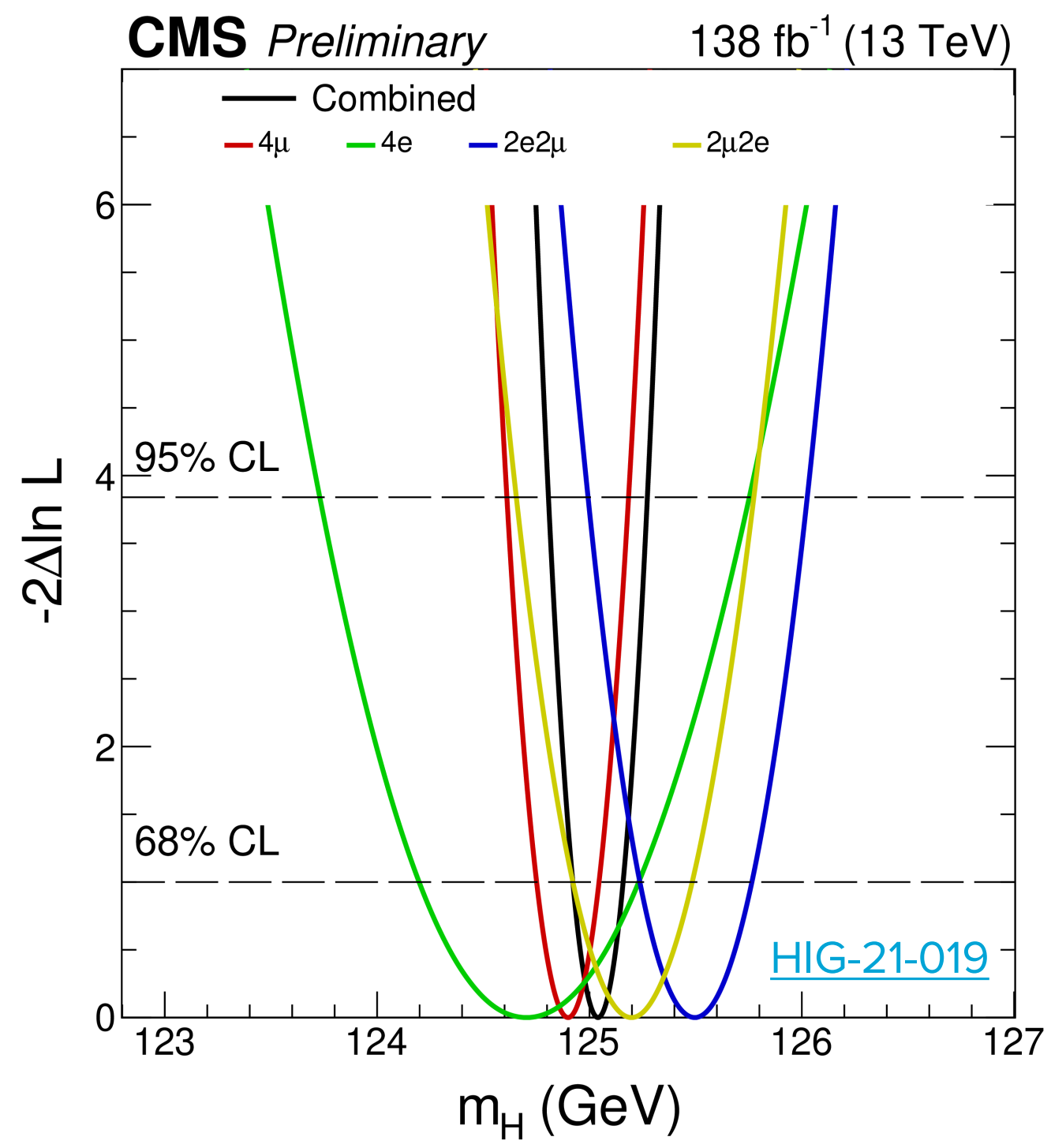


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# HOW WELL DO WE KNOW THE HIGGS MASS?

- **Free parameter in the SM, and already very precisely measured by CMS and ATLAS (in  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ )**
- The precision with which we can measure  $m_H$  is directly linked to the reconstruction (energy scale and resolution) of photons and leptons  $\rightarrow$  **Known to the per mil level already**



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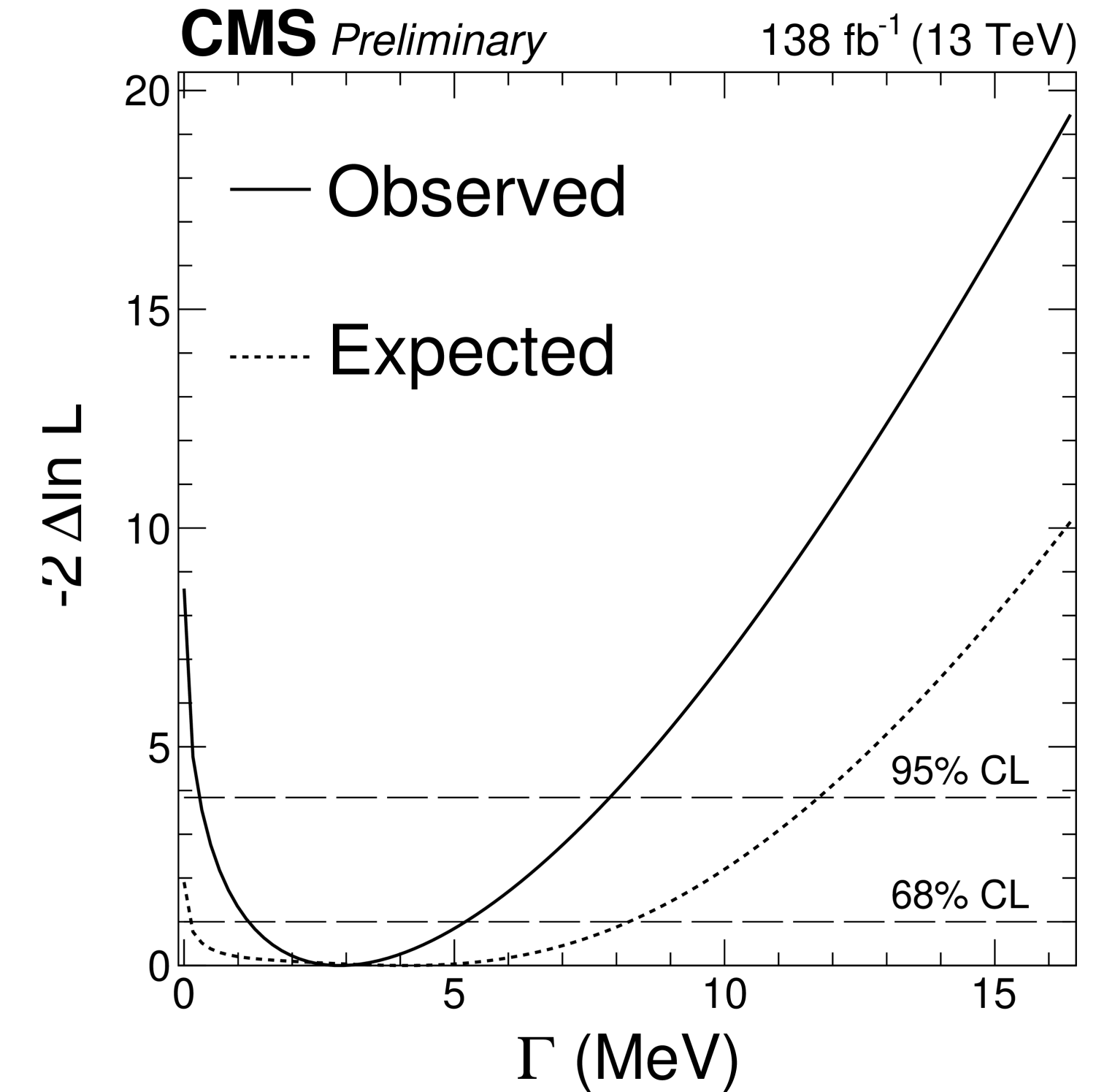
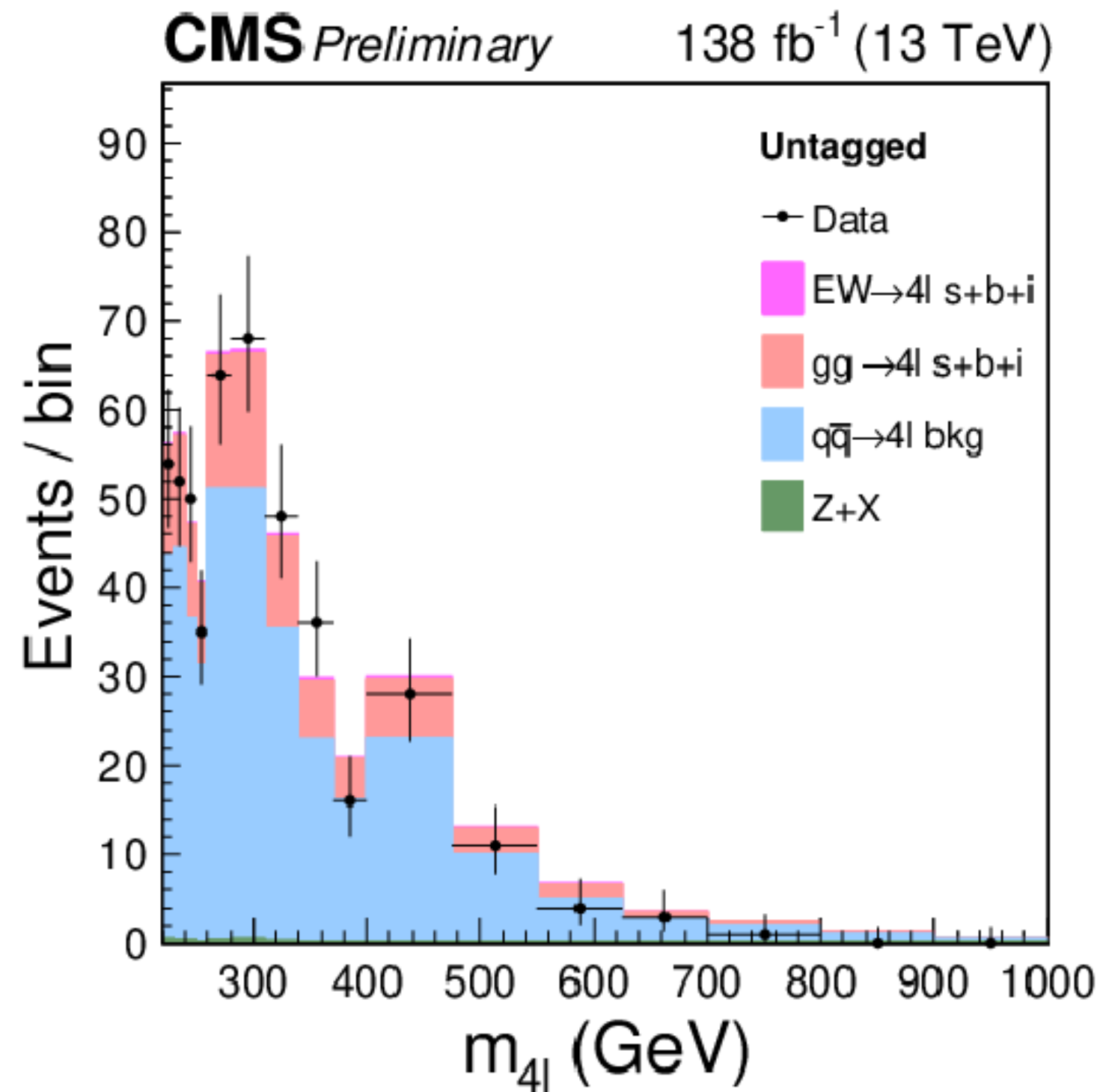
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- $\Gamma_H$  (SM) = 4.1 MeV (very small!)
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- $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ : measure through the relative on-shell and off-shell production rates (model dependent): **First measurements reaching SM sensitivity, though still with uncertainty close to 100%**

$$\frac{d\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ}}{dm_{ZZ}^2} \sim \frac{g_{ggH}^2 g_{HZZ}^2}{(m_{ZZ}^2 - m_H^2)^2 + m_H^2 \Gamma_H^2}$$

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$m_{ZZ} \sim m_H$  (On-shell production)       $m_{ZZ} > m_{2Z}$  (Off-shell production)



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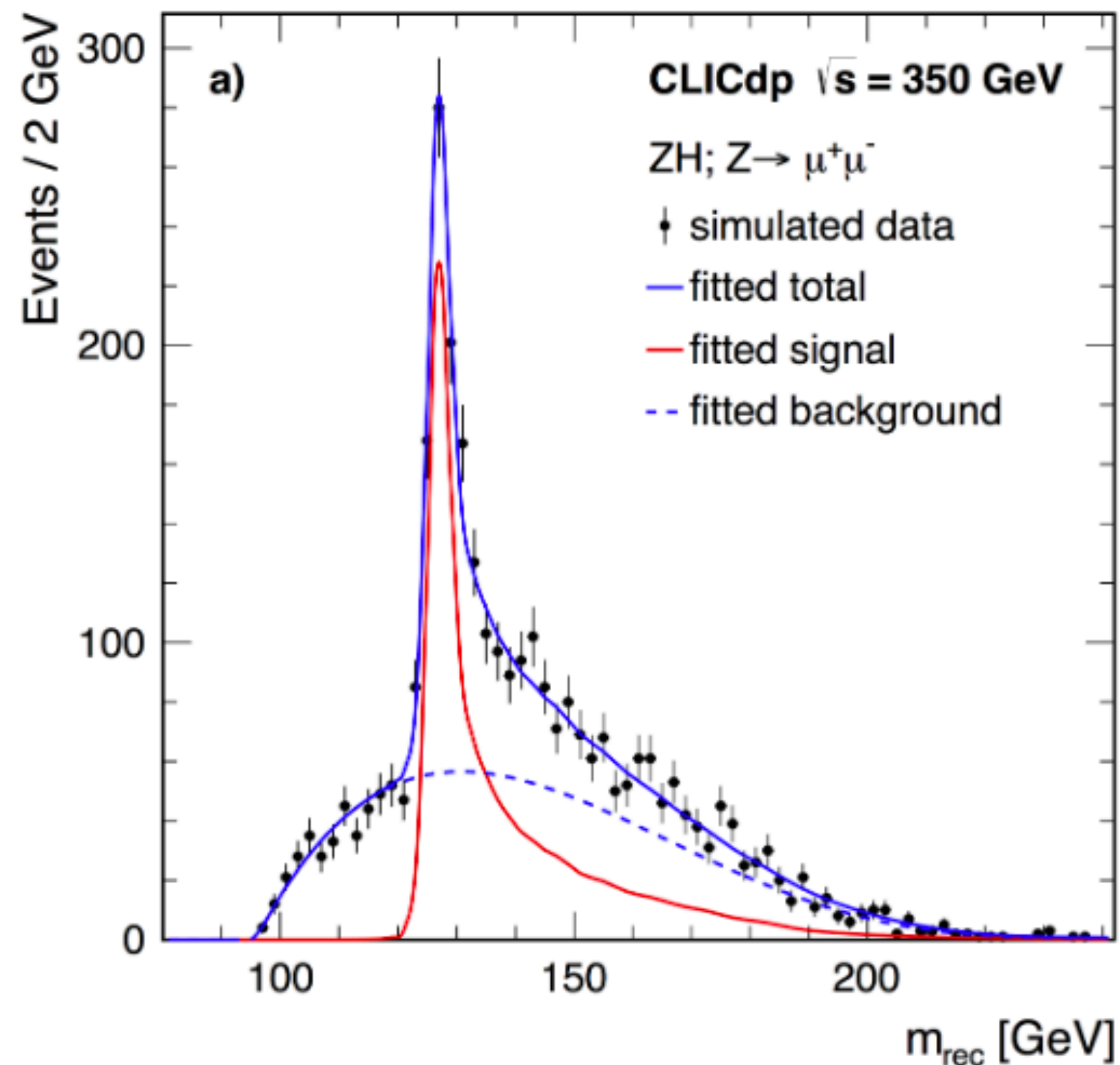
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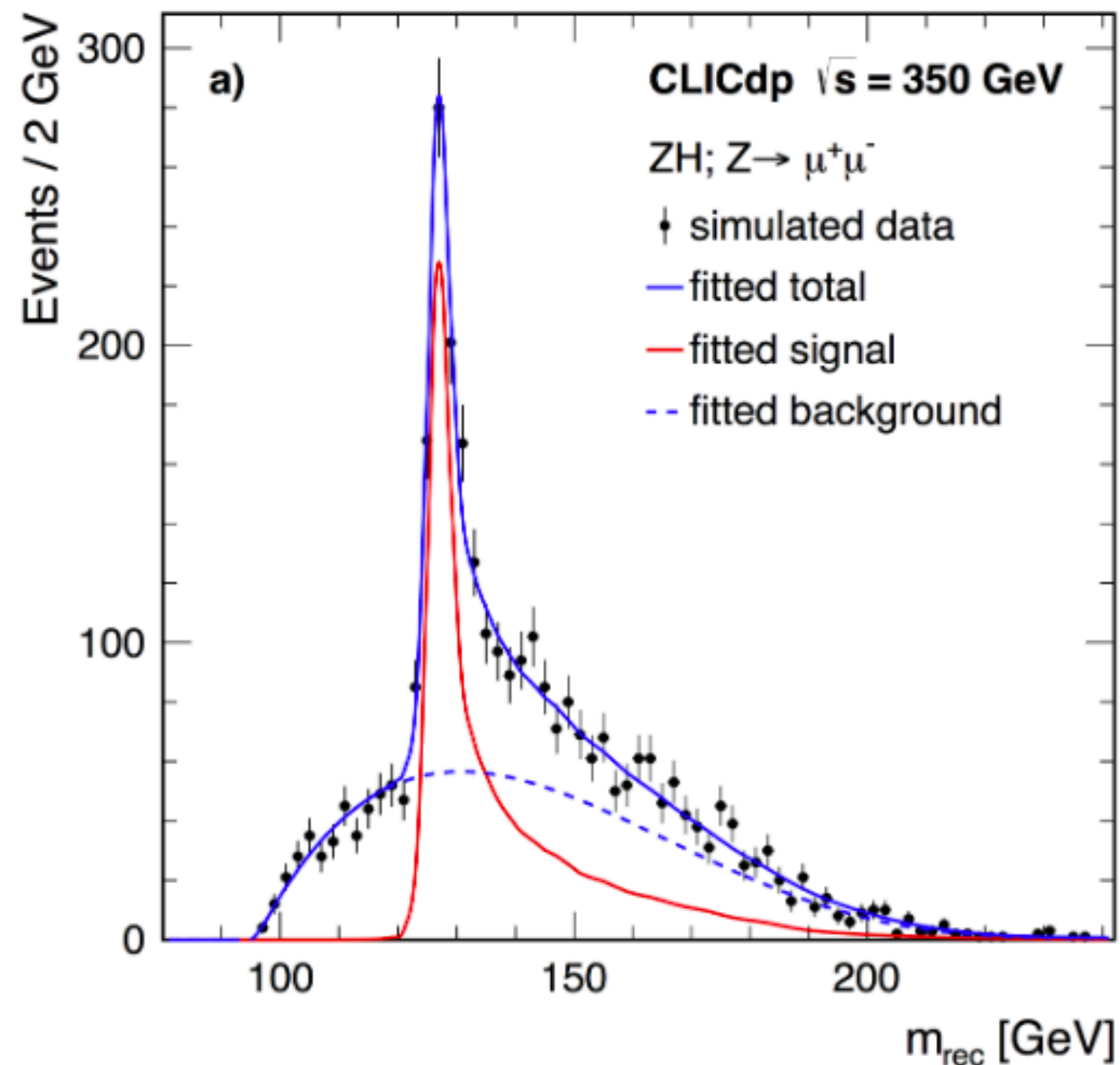
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$$\frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH)}{\text{BR}(H \rightarrow ZZ^*)} = \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH)}{\Gamma(H \rightarrow ZZ^*)/\Gamma_H} \simeq \left[ \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH)}{\Gamma(H \rightarrow ZZ^*)} \right]_{\text{SM}} \times \Gamma_H$$

Collider	$\delta\Gamma_H$ (%) from Ref.	Extraction technique standalone result	$\delta\Gamma_H$ (%) kappa-3 fit
ILC <sub>250</sub>	2.4	EFT fit [3]	2.4
ILC <sub>500</sub>	1.6	EFT fit [3, 11]	1.1
CLIC <sub>350</sub>	4.7	$\kappa$ -framework [80]	2.6
CLIC <sub>1500</sub>	2.6	$\kappa$ -framework [80]	1.7
CLIC <sub>3000</sub>	2.5	$\kappa$ -framework [80]	1.6
CEPC	3.1	$\sigma(ZH, \nu\bar{\nu}H)$ , $\text{BR}(H \rightarrow Z, b\bar{b}, WW)$ [85]	1.8
FCC-ee <sub>240</sub>	2.7	$\kappa$ -framework [1]	1.9
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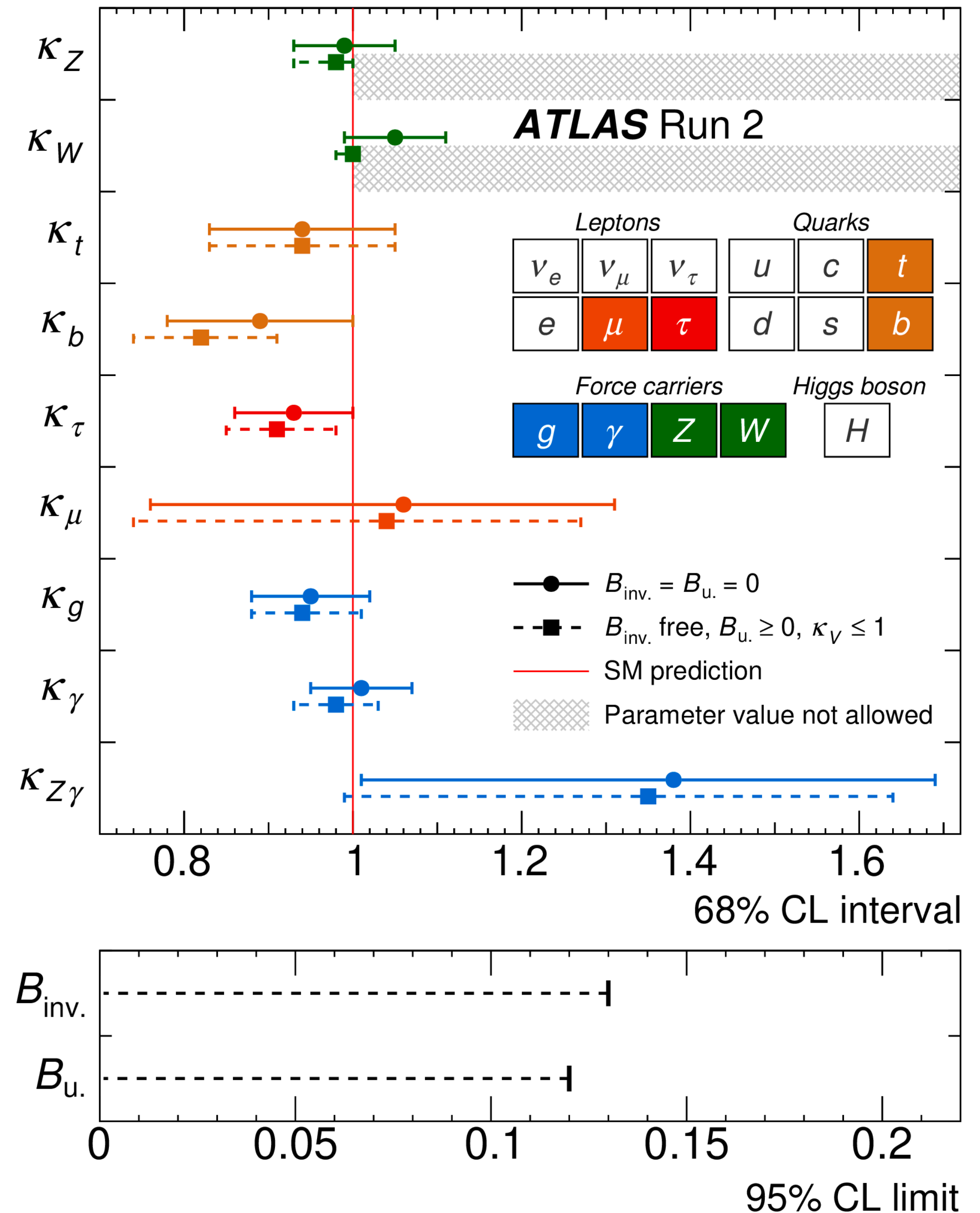
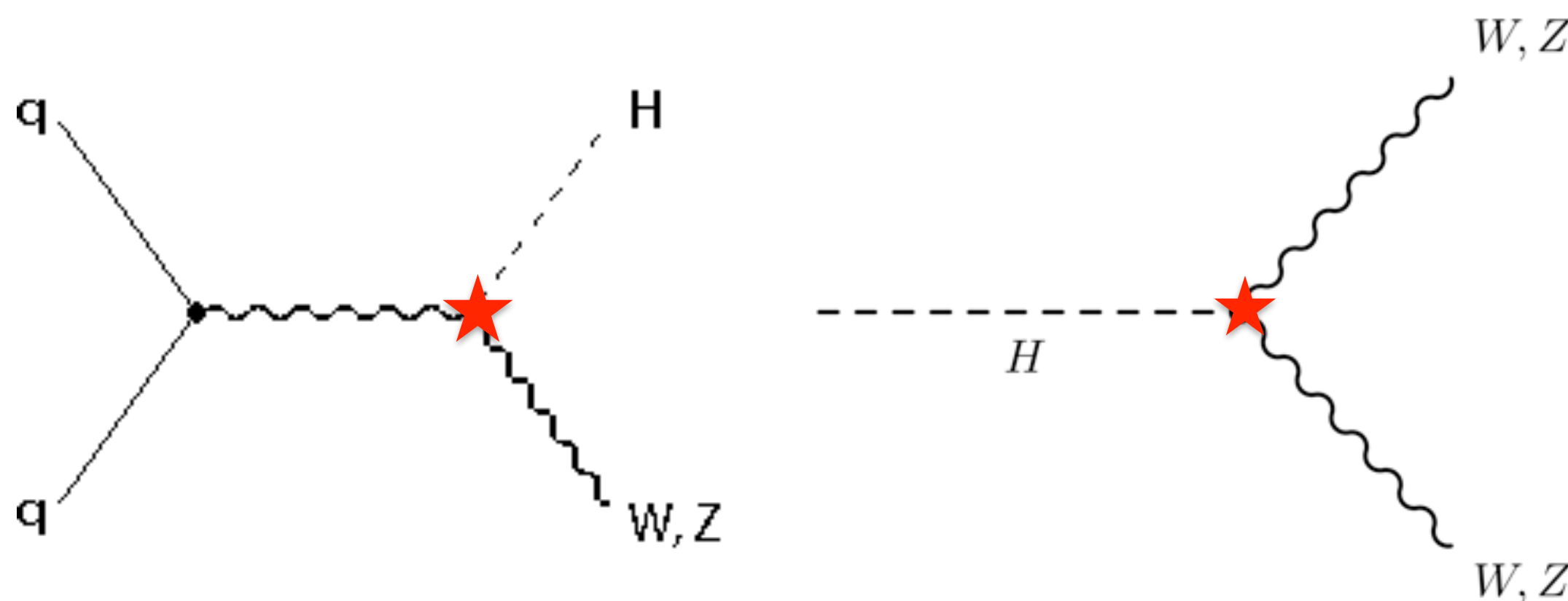


# HIGGS COUPLINGS

- What is the strength of the interaction of the Higgs to the different SM particles?
- Kappa Framework: simple parametrisation widely used by LHC experiments (not perfect, but useful) already known to 6-15%

$$\sigma(i \rightarrow H \rightarrow f) = \frac{\sigma_i(\kappa_j) \cdot \Gamma_f(\kappa_j)}{\Gamma_H(\kappa_j)}$$

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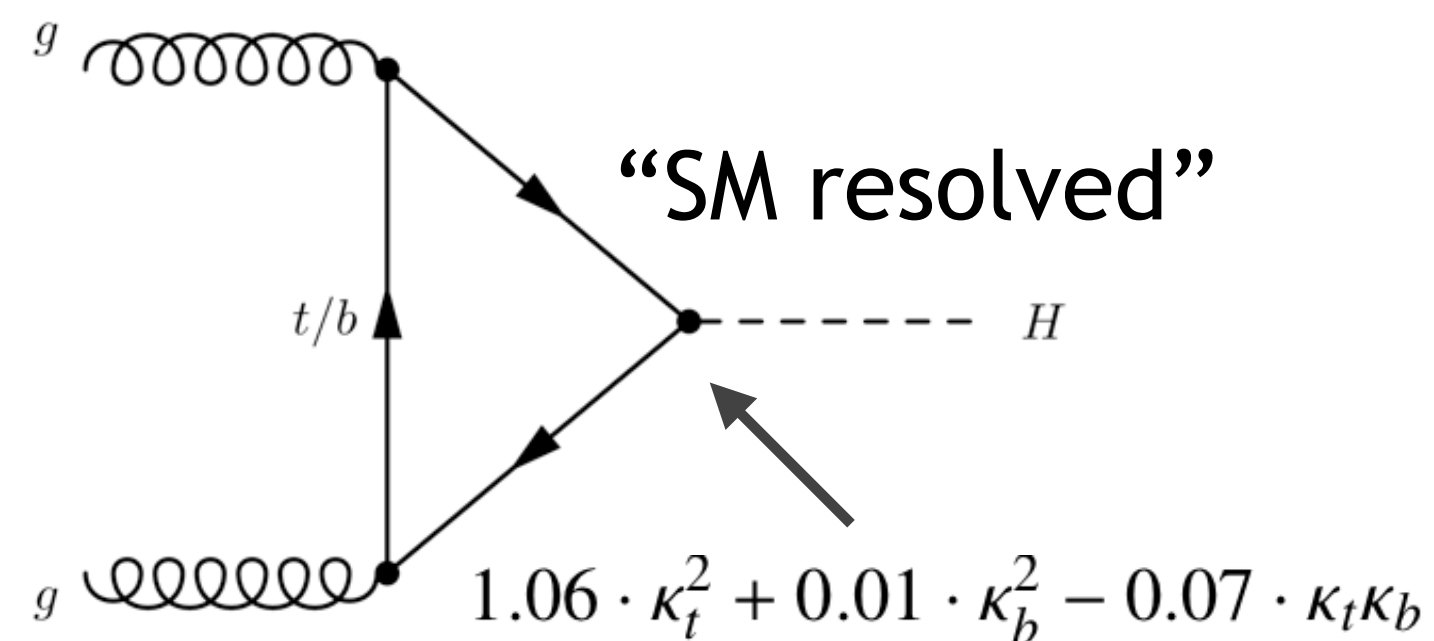
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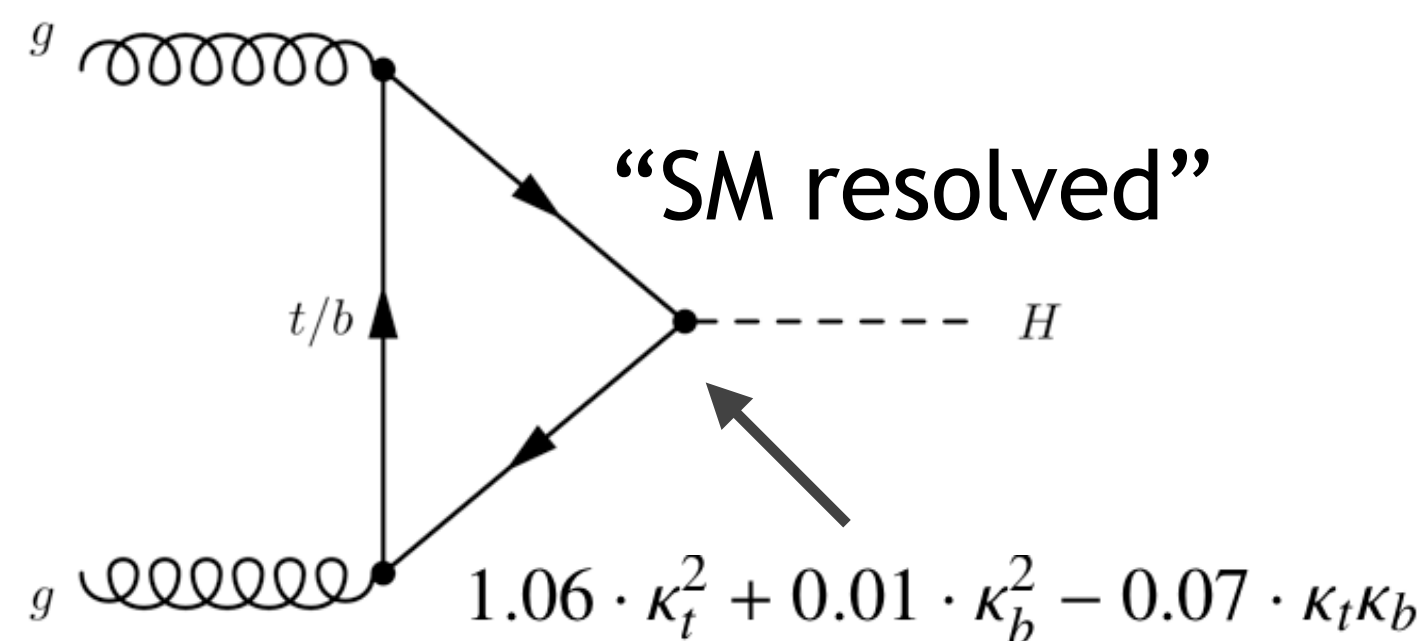
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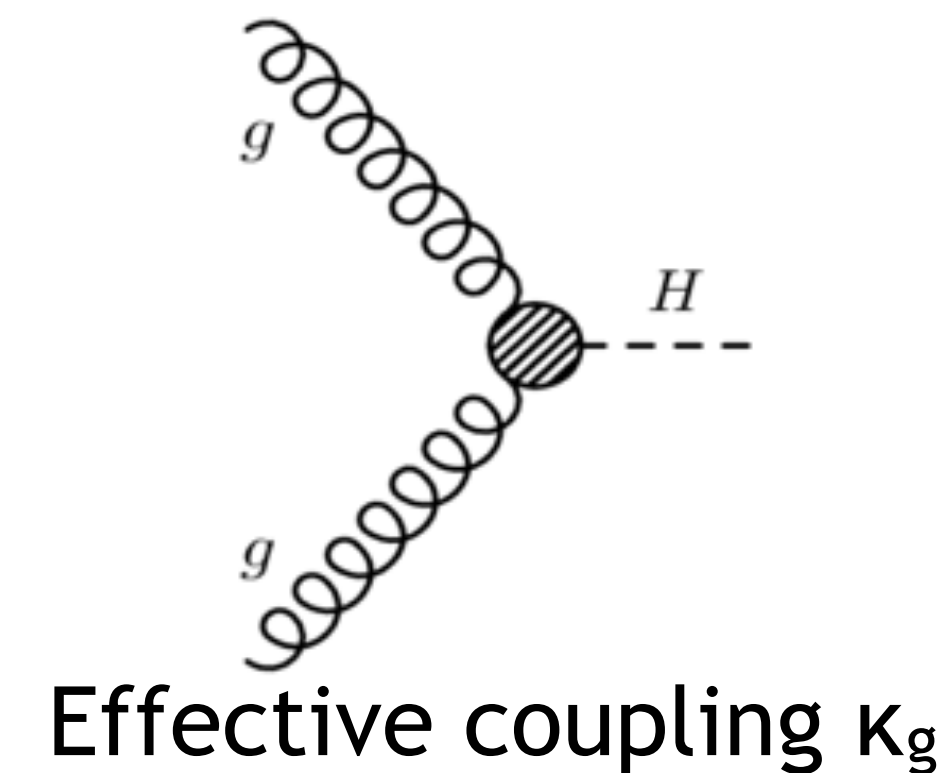
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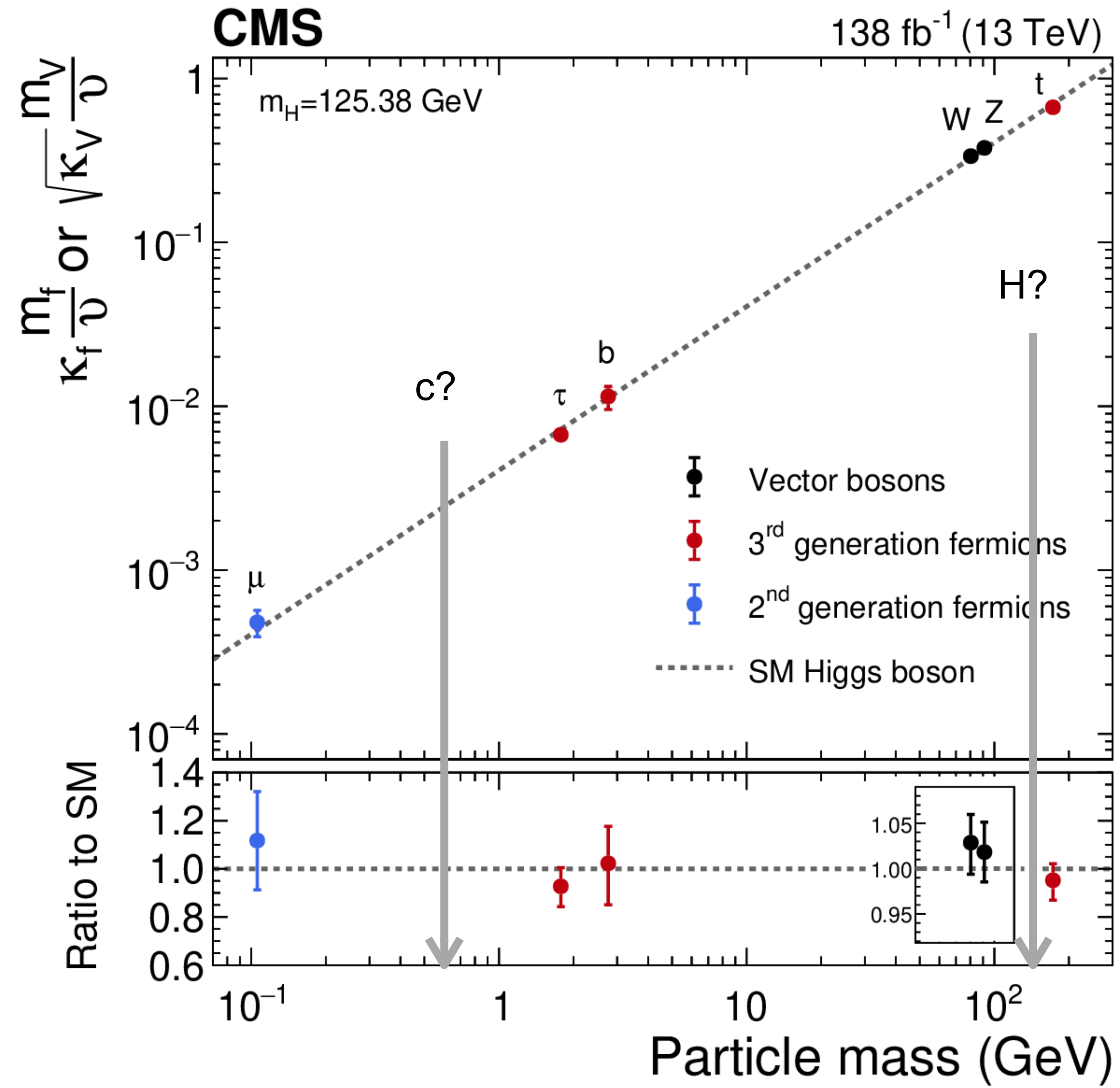
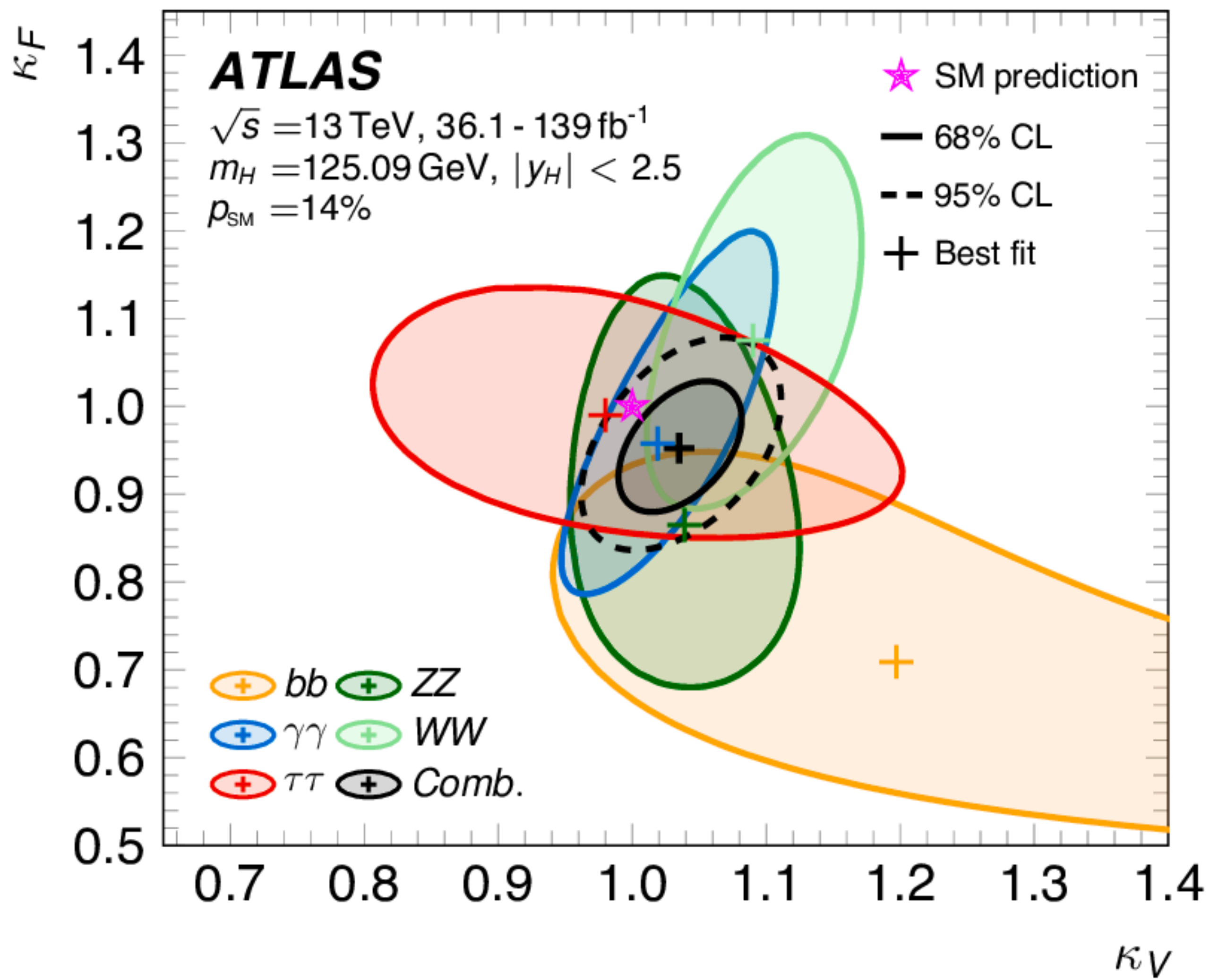
Allowing for BSM effects:

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

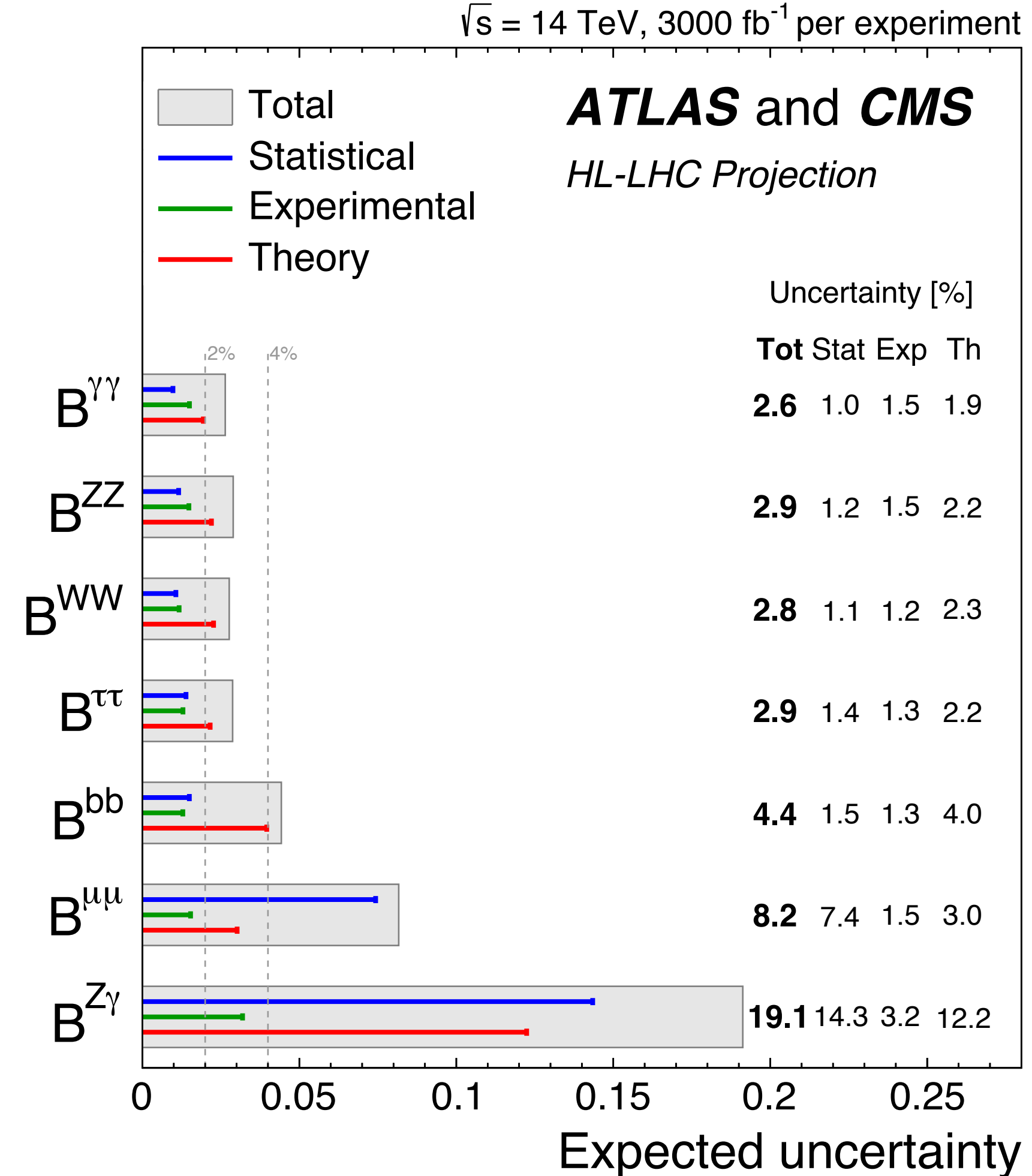
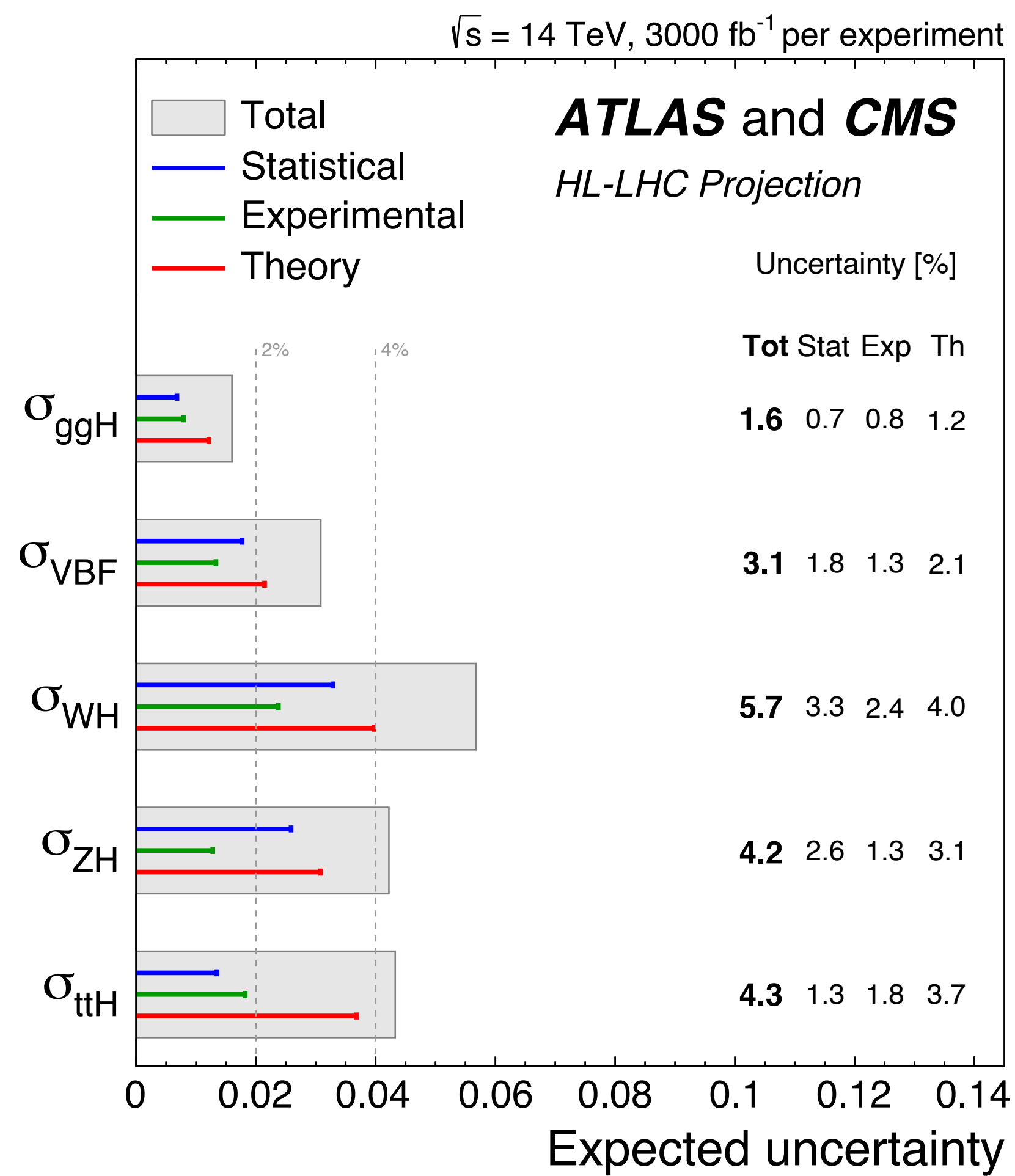




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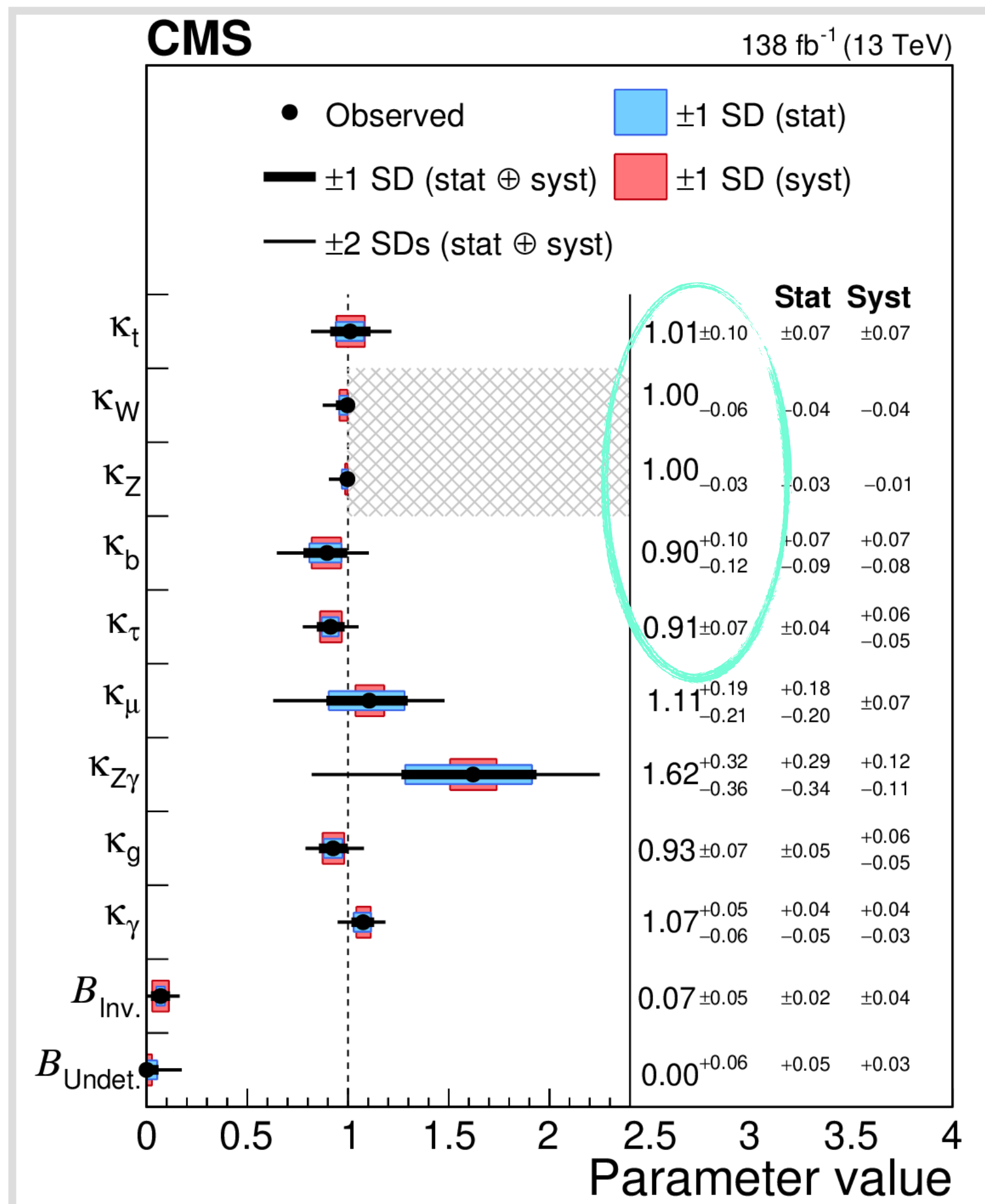


- Importance of Theory / MC understanding: important for signal and for background modelling!

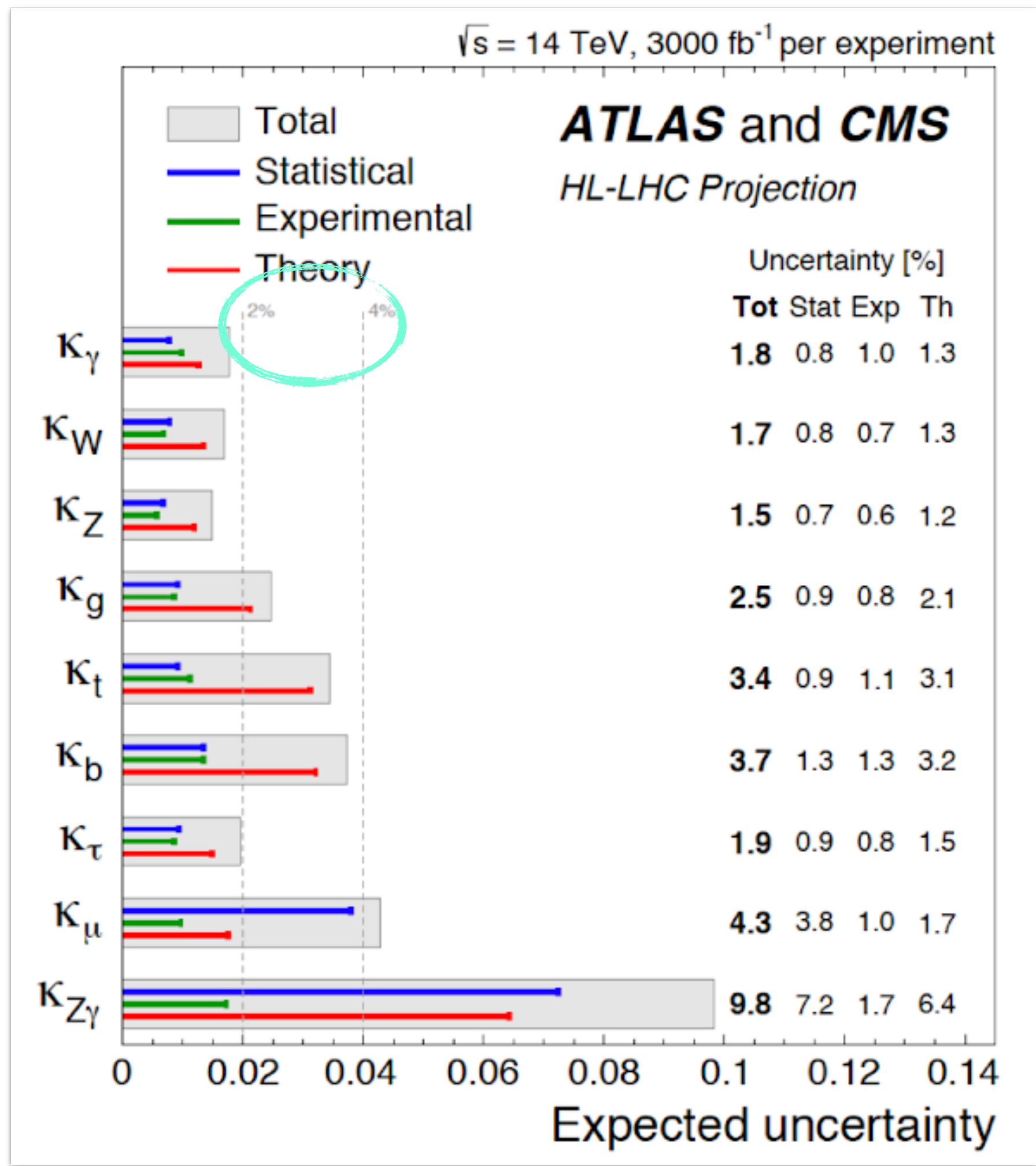
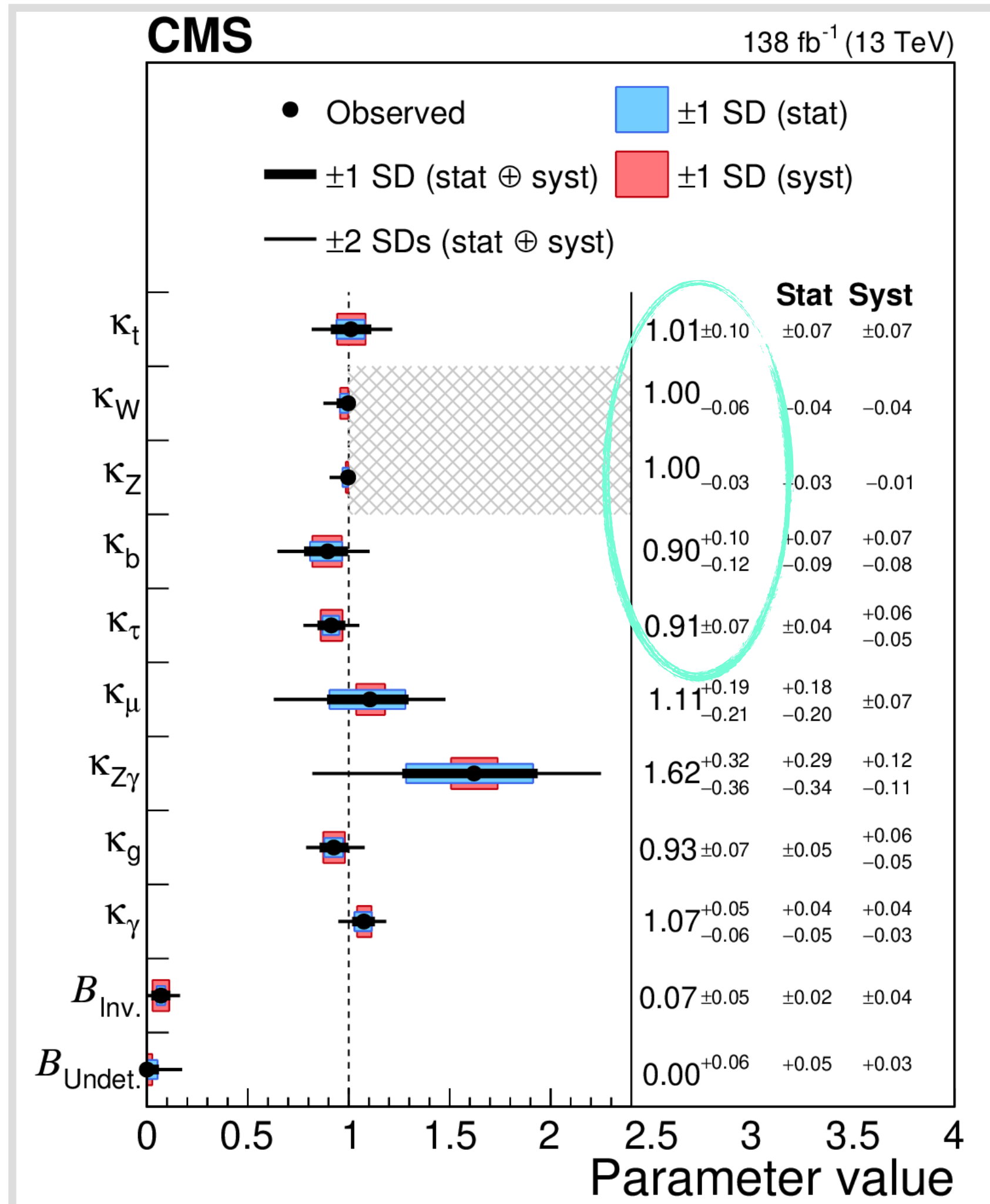
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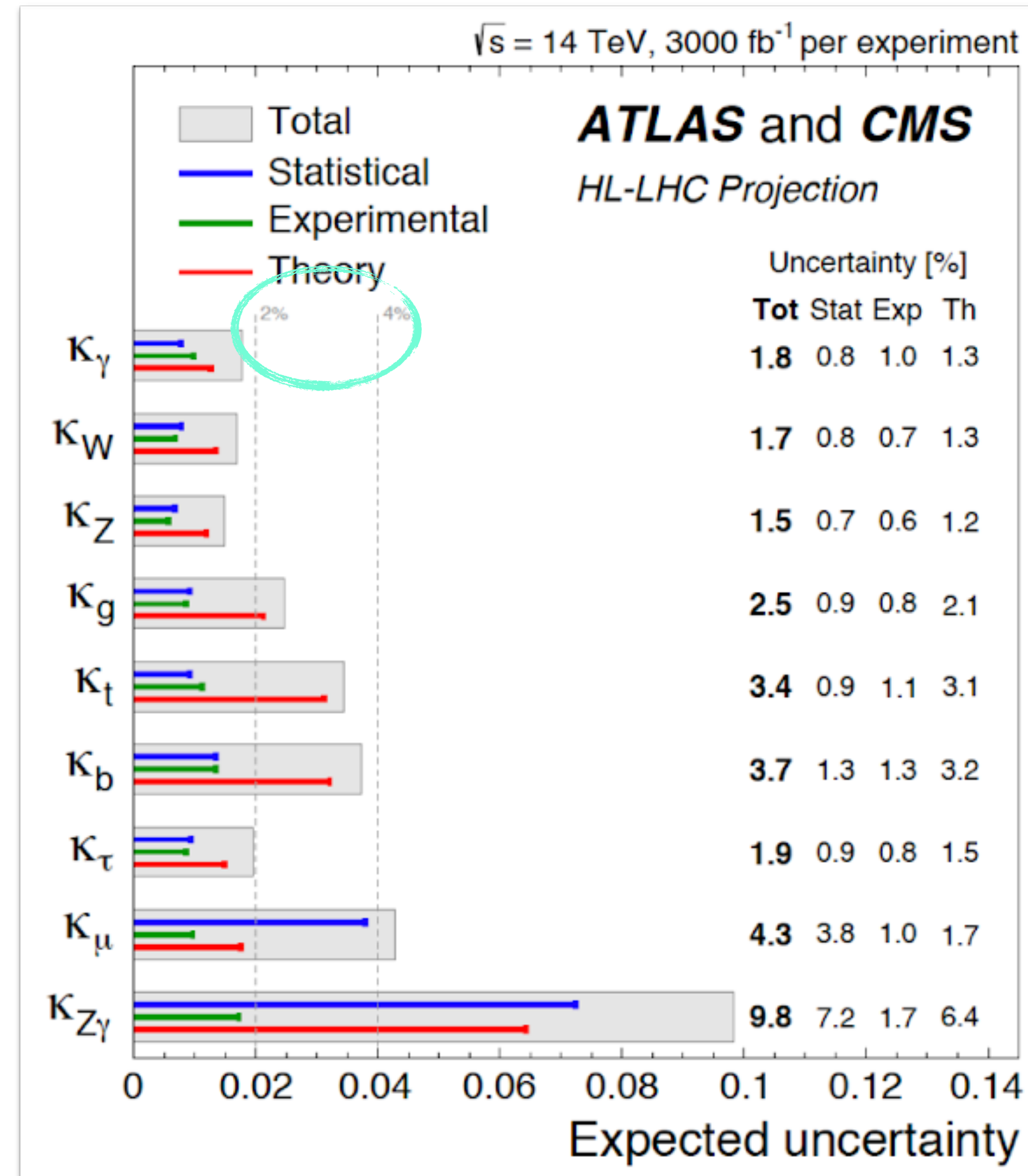
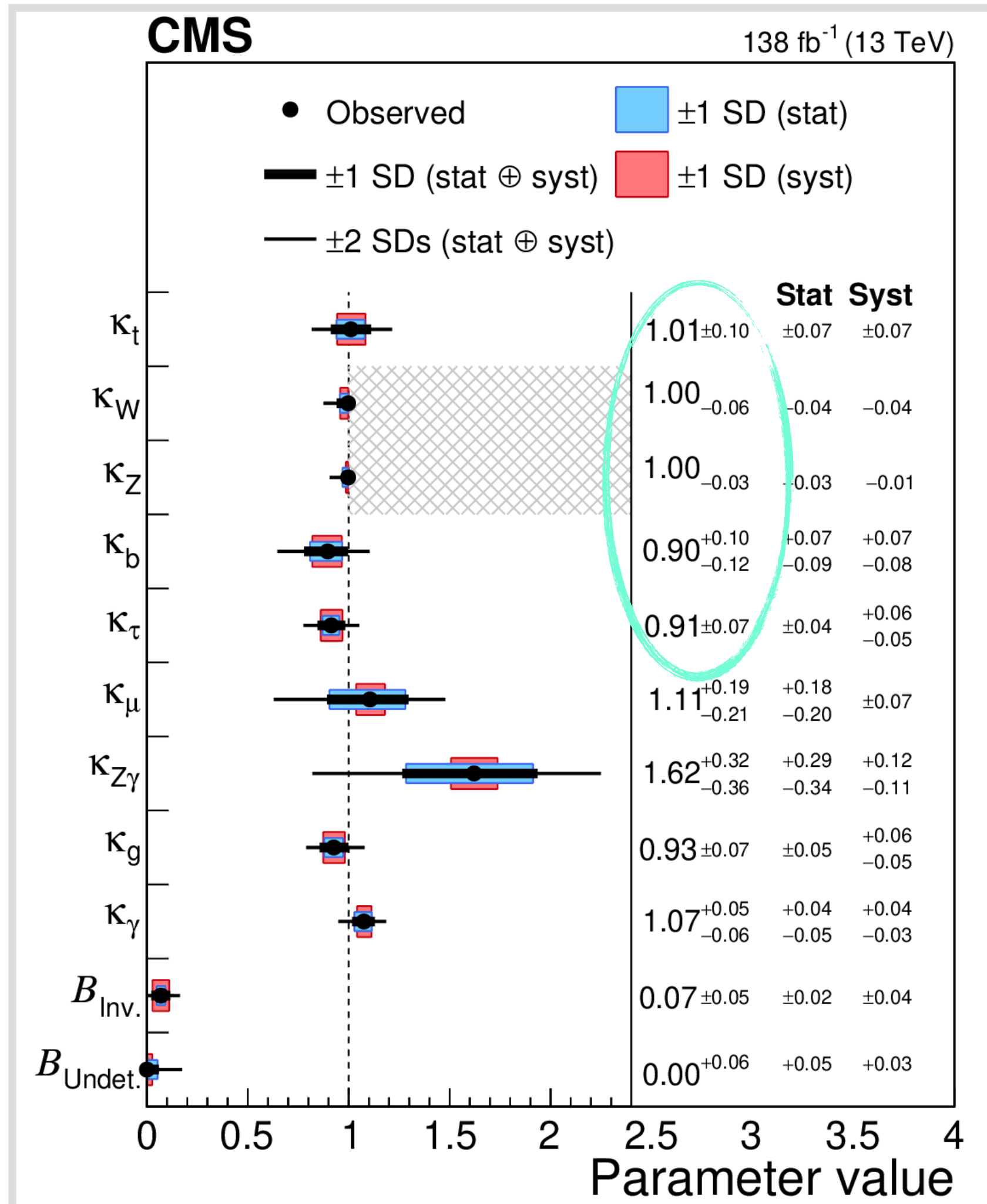


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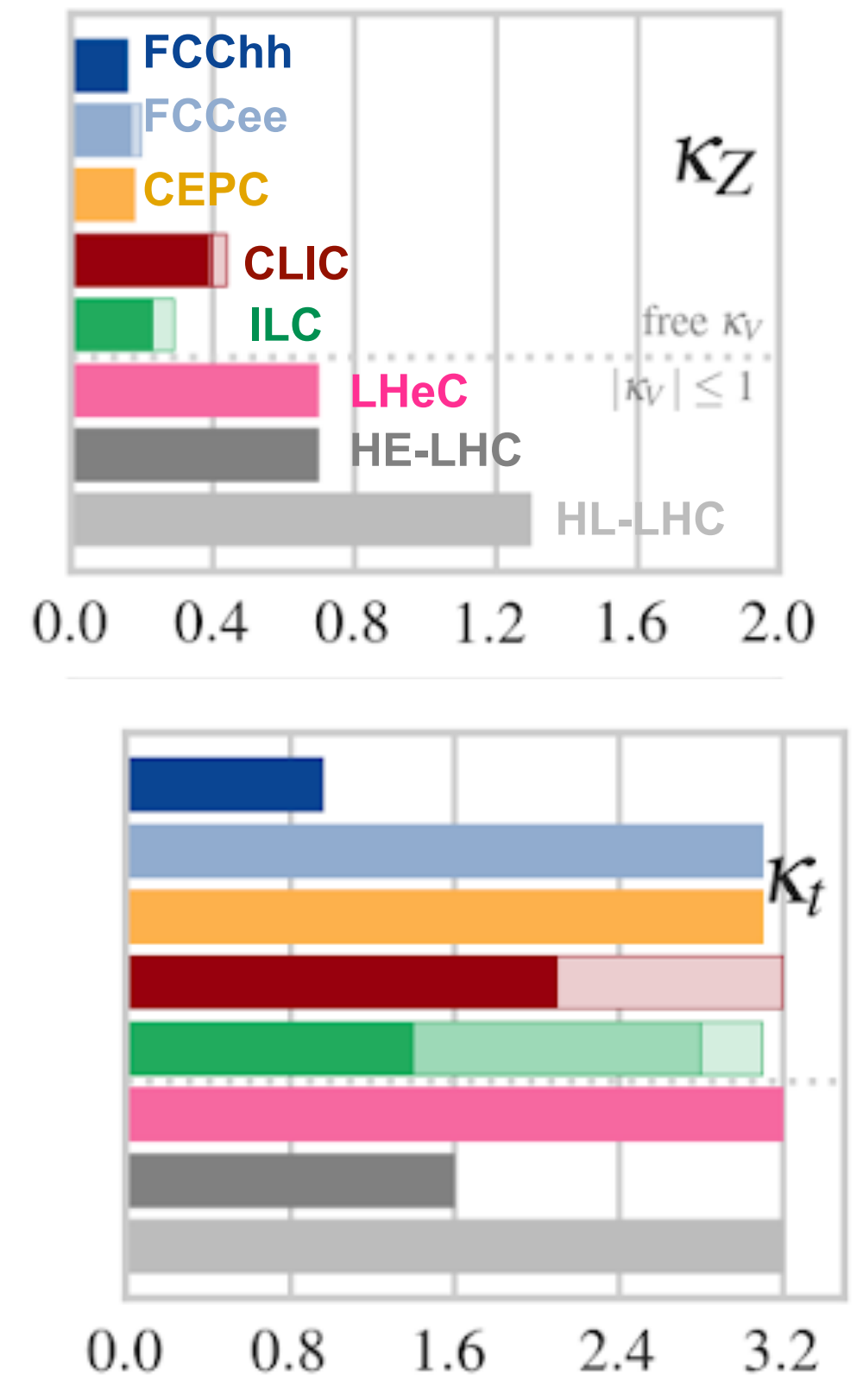
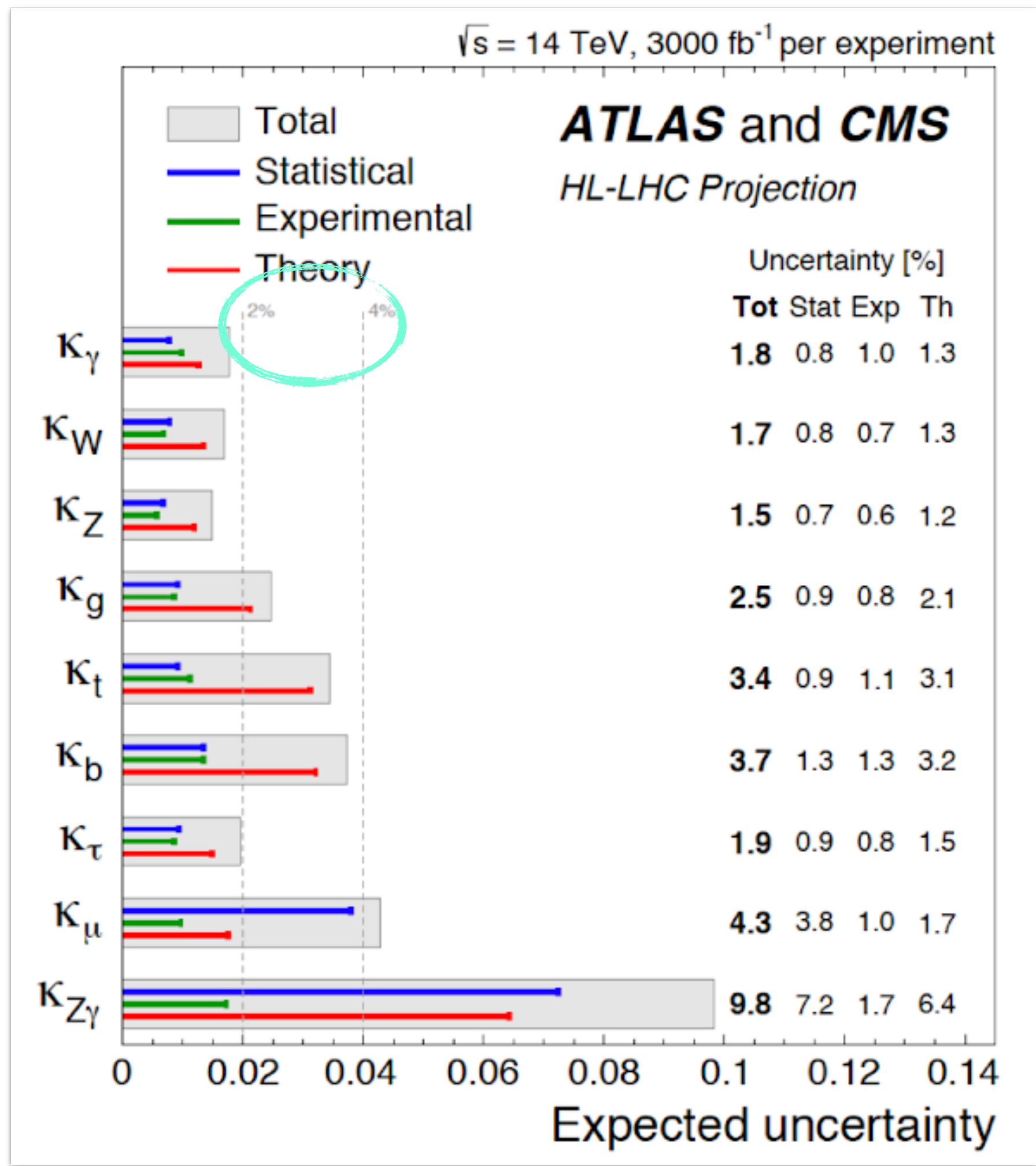
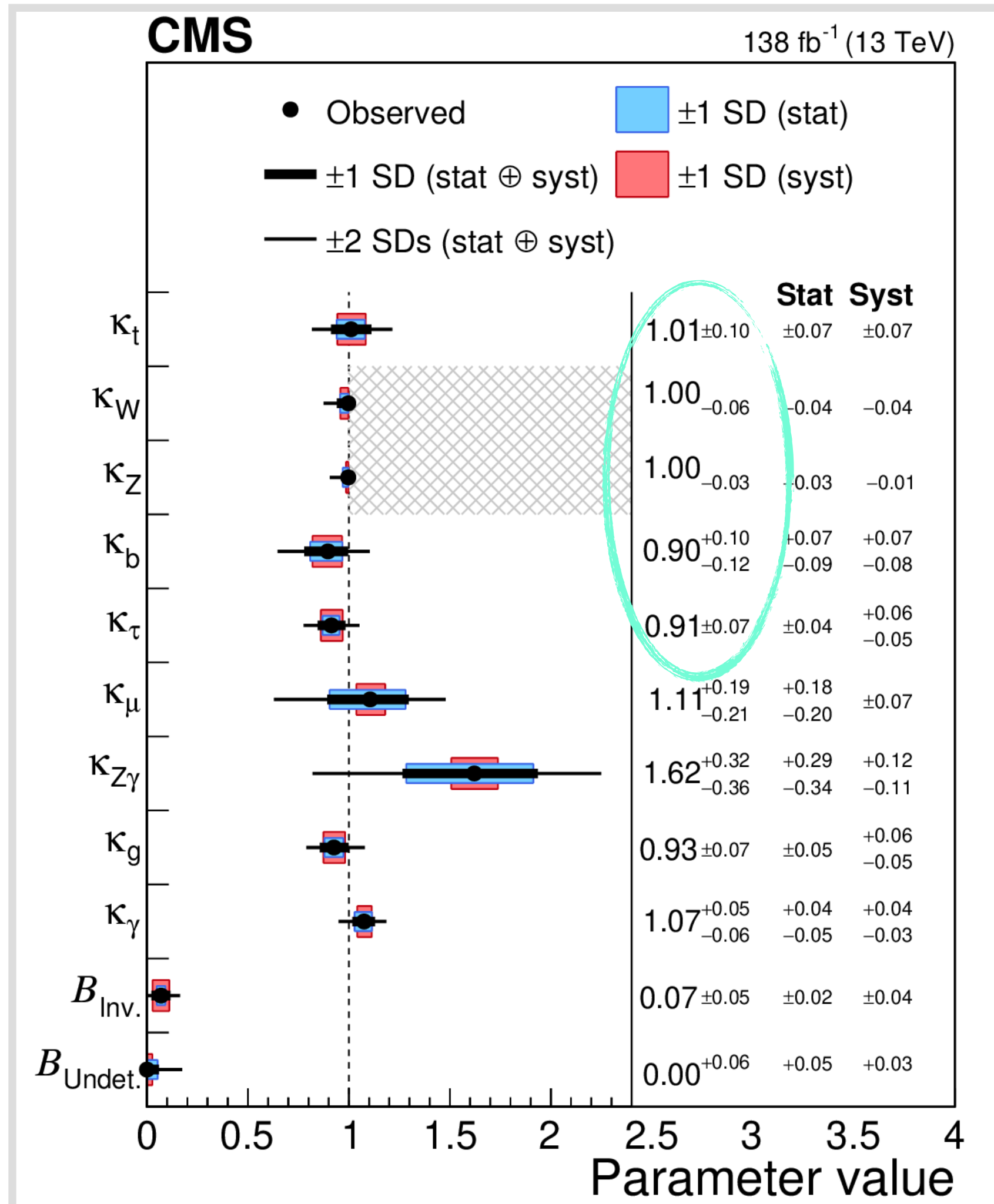


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# HOW WELL *SHOULD* WE KNOW THE HIGGS COUPLINGS?

## SMALL CORRECTIONS EXPECTED IN MANY BSM MODELS

If new physics is at 1 TeV:

	$\delta\kappa_V$	$\delta\kappa_b$	$\delta\kappa_\gamma$
Singlet	<6%	<6%	<6%
2HDM (large $\tan\beta$ )	~1%	~10%	~1%
MSSM	~.001%	~1.6%	~-0.4%
Composite	~-3%	~-(3-9)%	~-9%
Top Partner	~-2%	~-2%	~1%

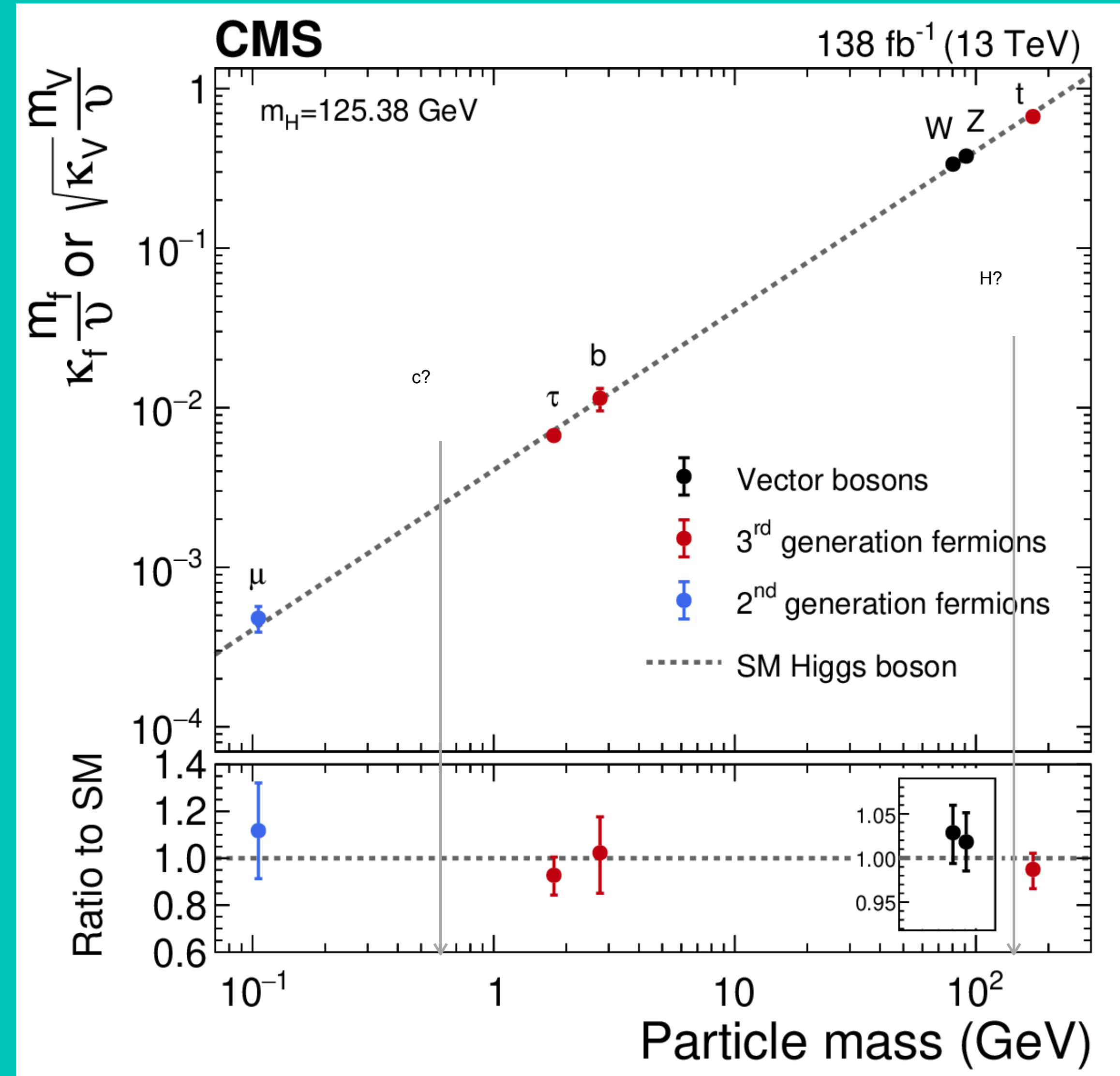
Patterns of deviations can pinpoint specific BSM physics

- Generically new physics effects on couplings  $\sim \frac{v^2}{M^2} \sim \mathcal{O}(6\%)$  for  $M=1$  TeV
- Only now are we approaching sensitivity where we expect deviations

Sally Dawson

# WHAT WE KNOW TODAY

- Measurements of Mass (to 0.11%!), Width, CP
- Main production modes explored in depth by now, with precise measurements of the signal strength/cross section (down to 10% precision)
- Measurements going differential, and towards precision in properties
- Coupling to the SM particles well established for the main decay modes, and already at evidence level for several of the statistically dominated ones
- The decays to SM particles we have seen so far are only part of the full spectrum of possible decays. Rare processes starting to become accessible.





# BRIEF REMINDER OF THE UNKNOWNNS....

- How is the Higgs boson produced? How does it decay?
- What kind of particle is the Higgs? (Properties: Mass, Width, Spin)
- How does it couple to Standard Model particles?
  - Does it couple to itself?
  - Does it couple unusually? (eg: Dark Matter?)
- Is the Higgs alone?
- Is it really an elementary particle?
- Where does the Higgs mechanism come from?

**$H^0$**

$J = 0$

Mass  $m = 125.18 \pm 0.16$  GeV  
Full width  $\Gamma < 0.013$  GeV, CL = 95%

## **$H^0$ Signal Strengths in Different Channels**

See Listings for the latest unpublished results.

Combined Final States =  $1.10 \pm 0.11$

$$W W^* = 1.08^{+0.18}_{-0.16}$$

$$Z Z^* = 1.14^{+0.15}_{-0.13}$$

$$\gamma\gamma = 1.16 \pm 0.18$$

$$b\bar{b} = 0.95 \pm 0.22$$

$$\mu^+ \mu^- = 0.0 \pm 1.3$$

$$\tau^+ \tau^- = 1.12 \pm 0.23$$

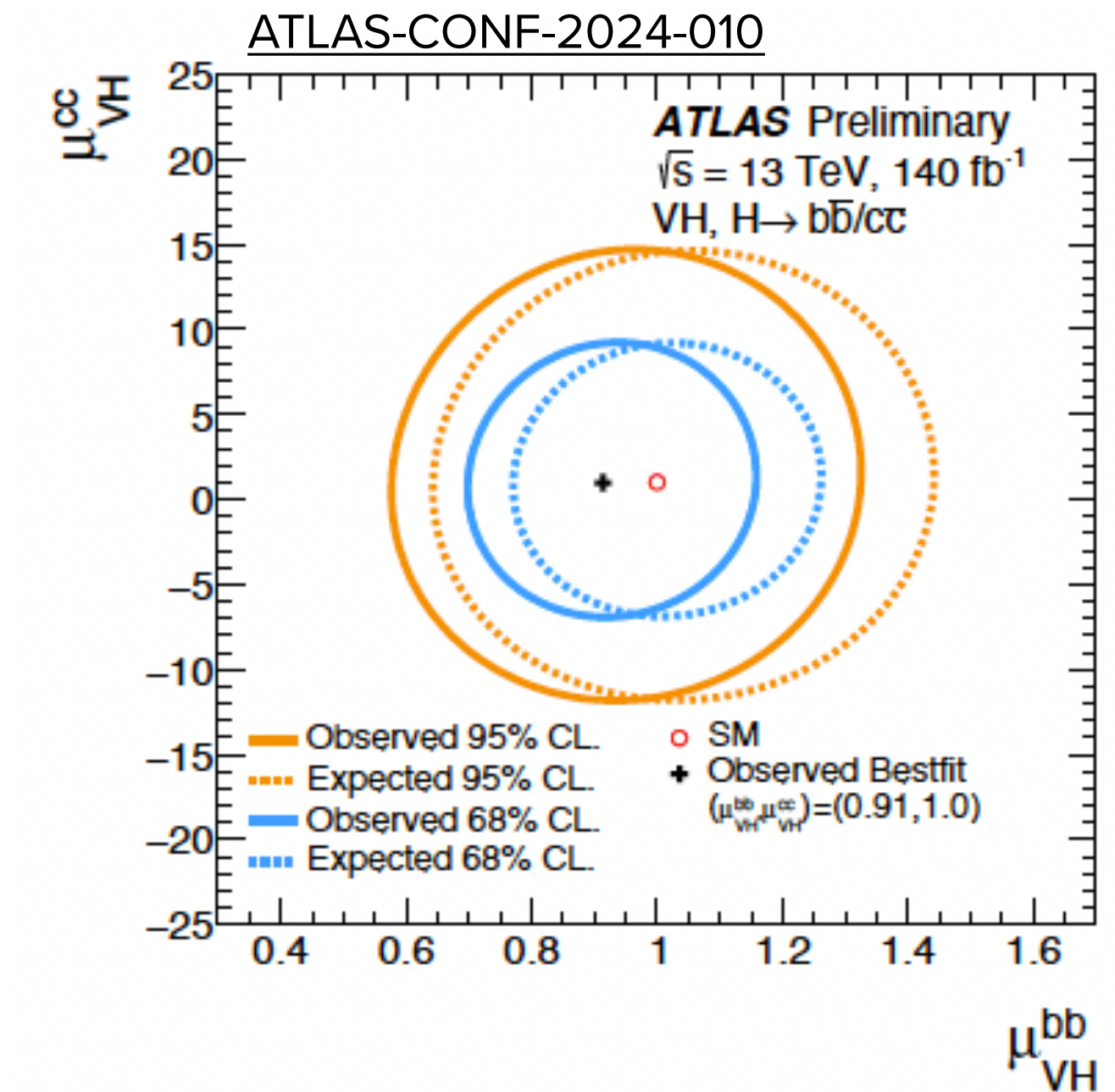
$$Z\gamma < 6.6, \text{ CL} = 95\%$$

$$t\bar{t}H^0 \text{ Production} = 2.3^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$$

→We have just scratched the surface until now....

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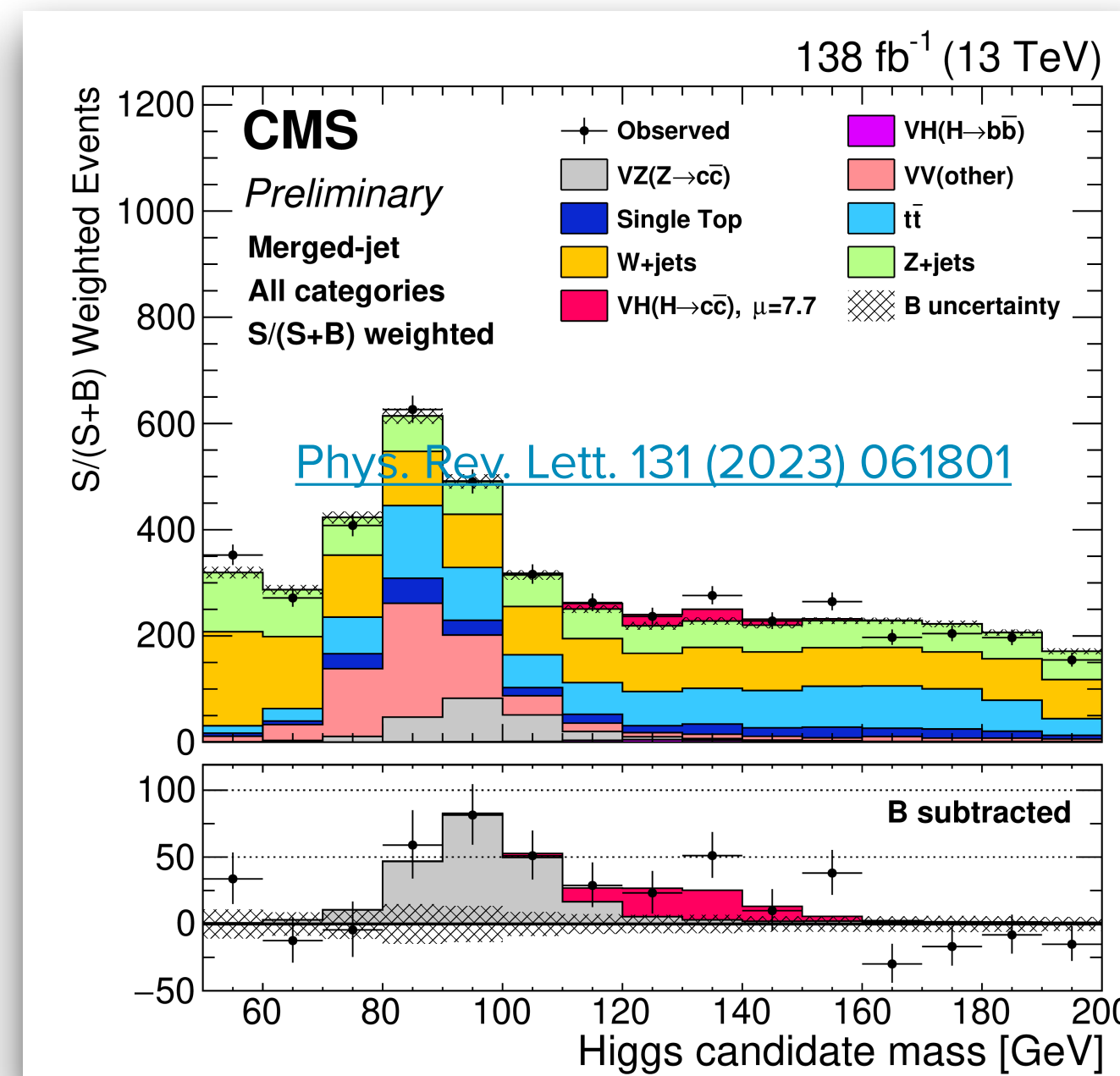
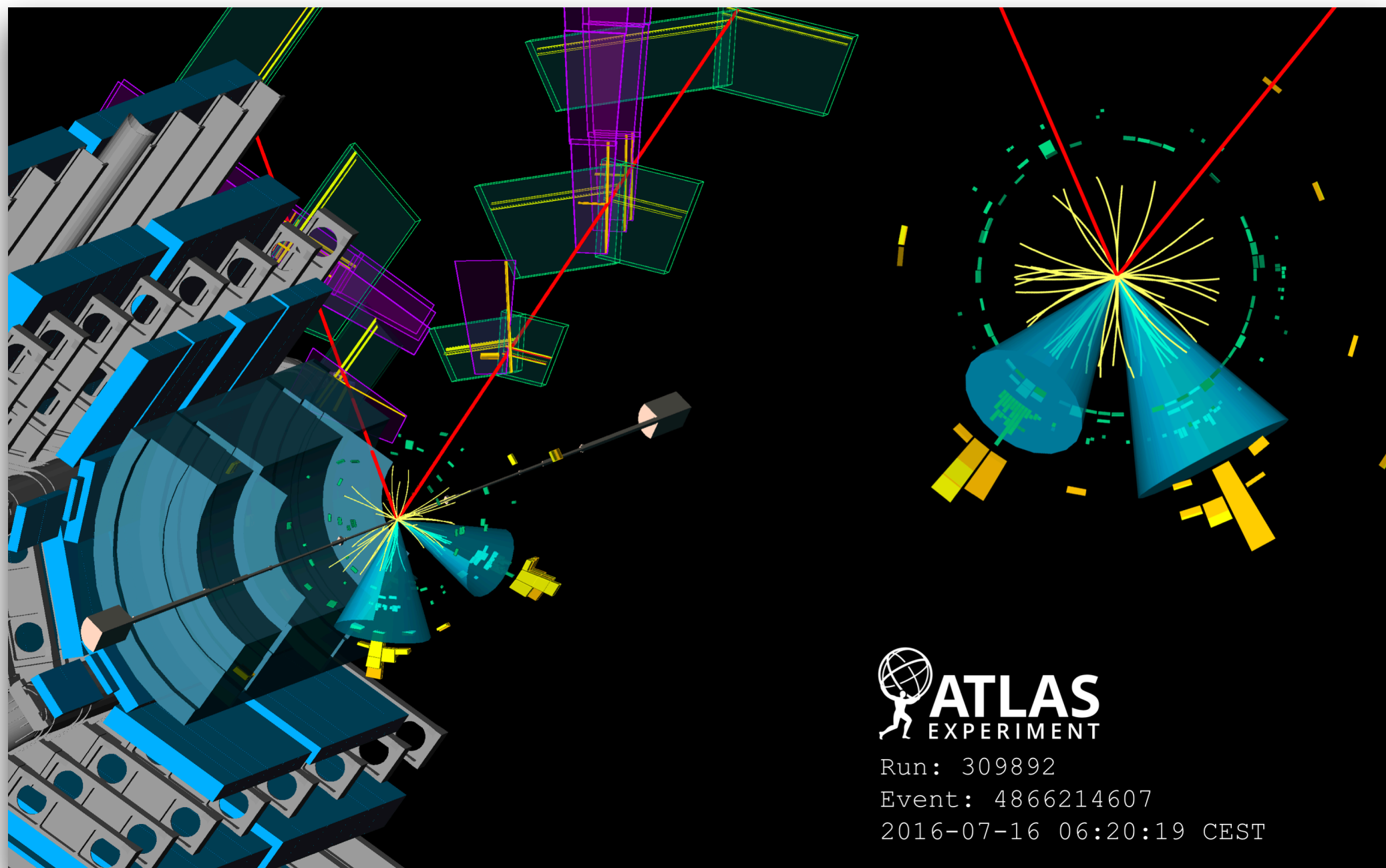
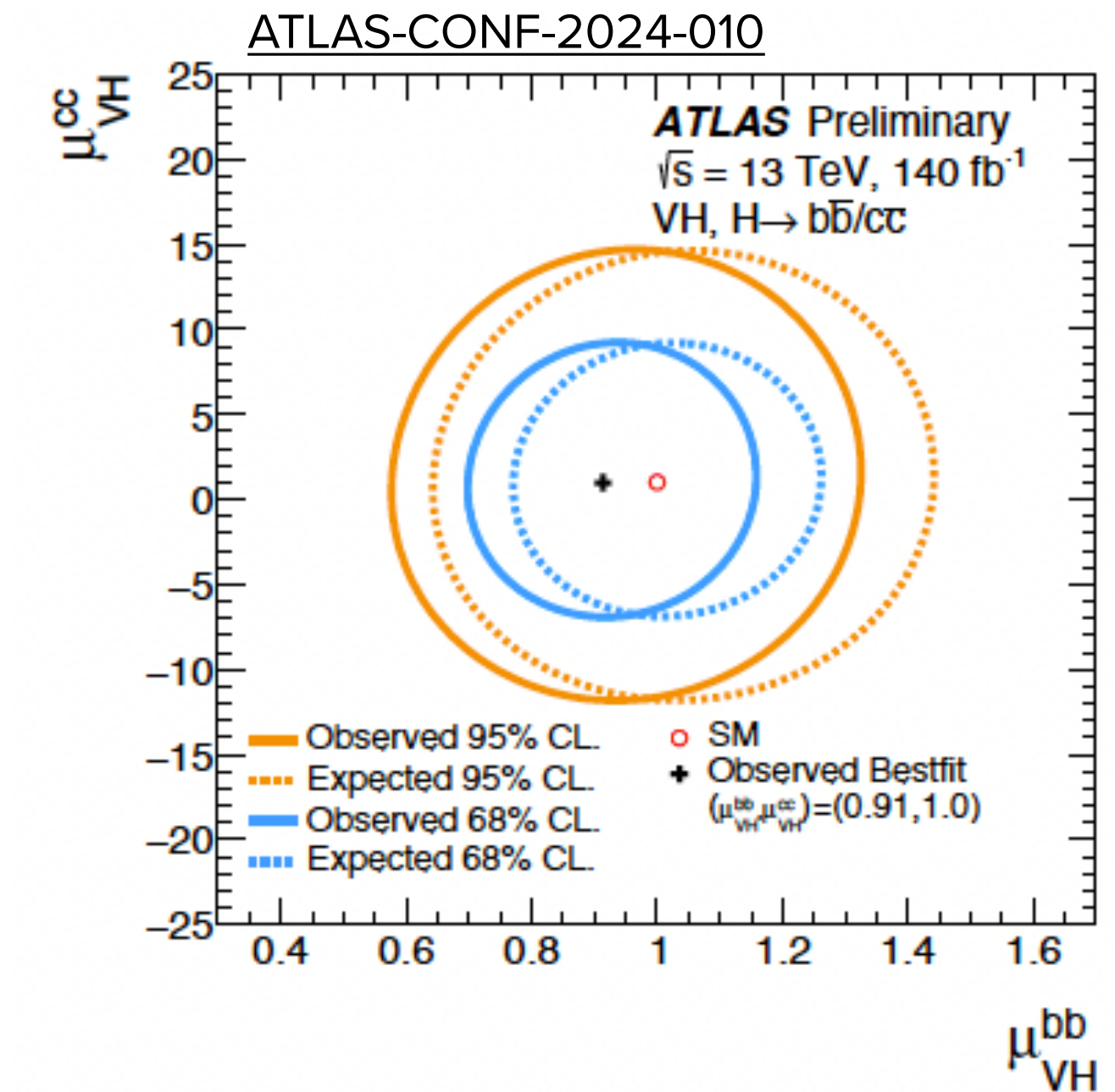
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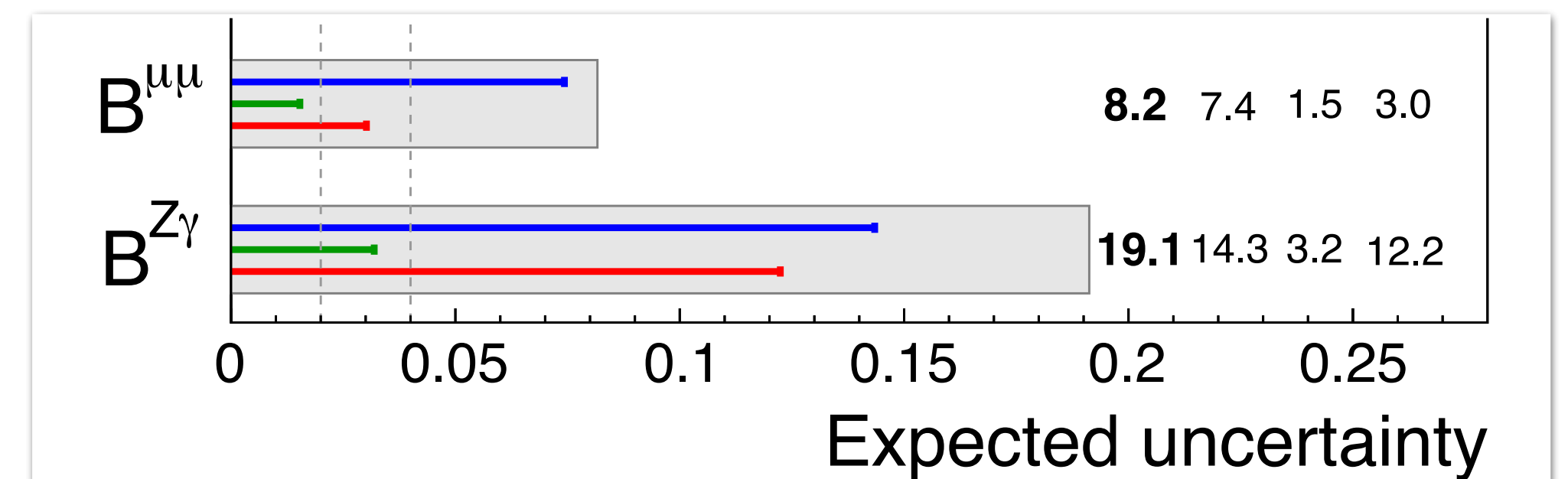
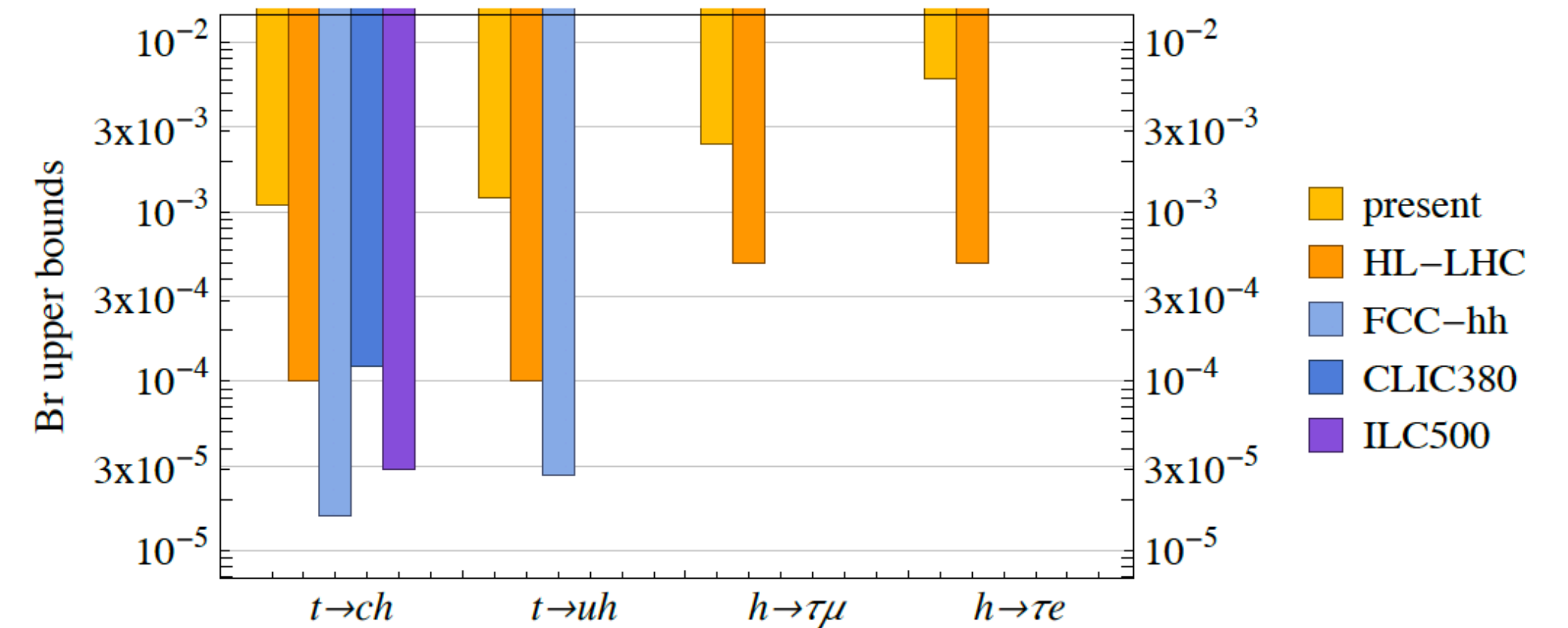
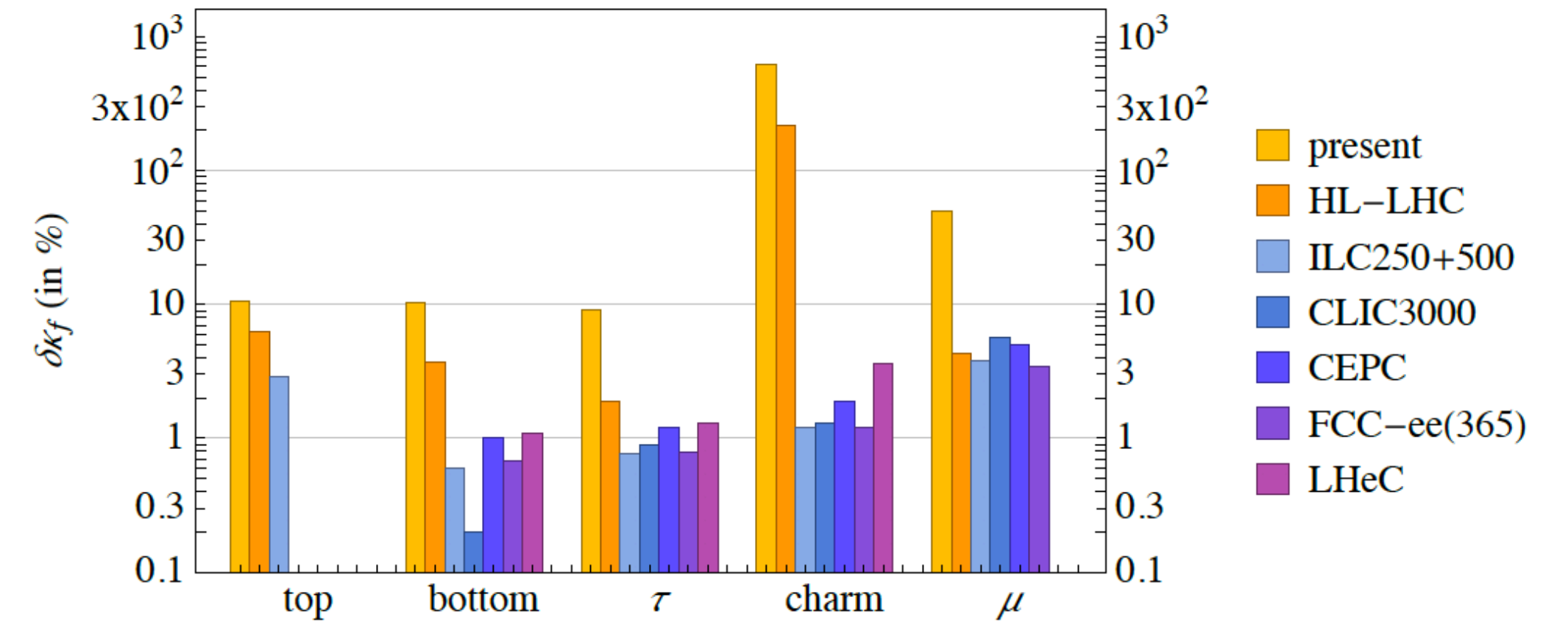
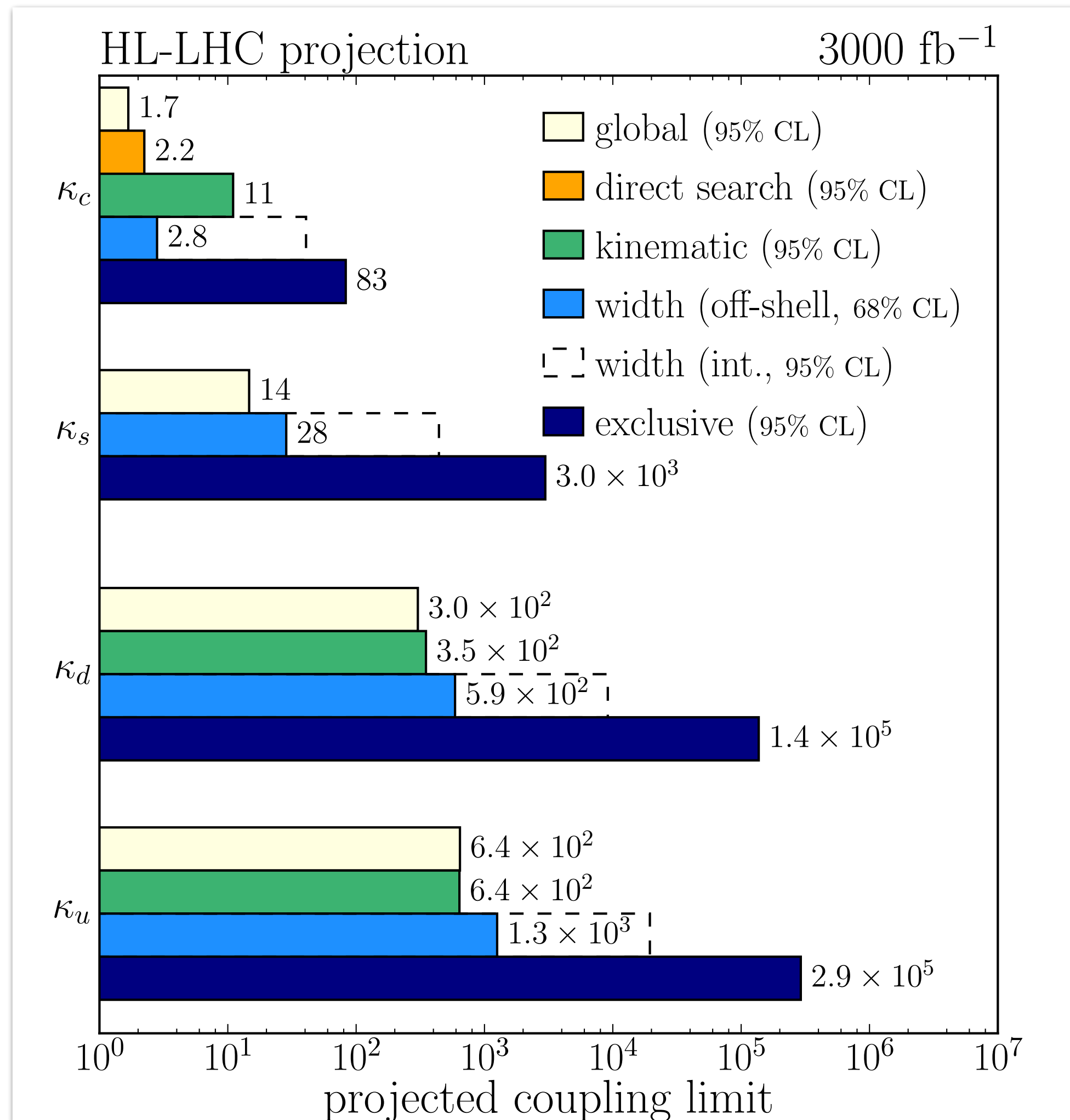
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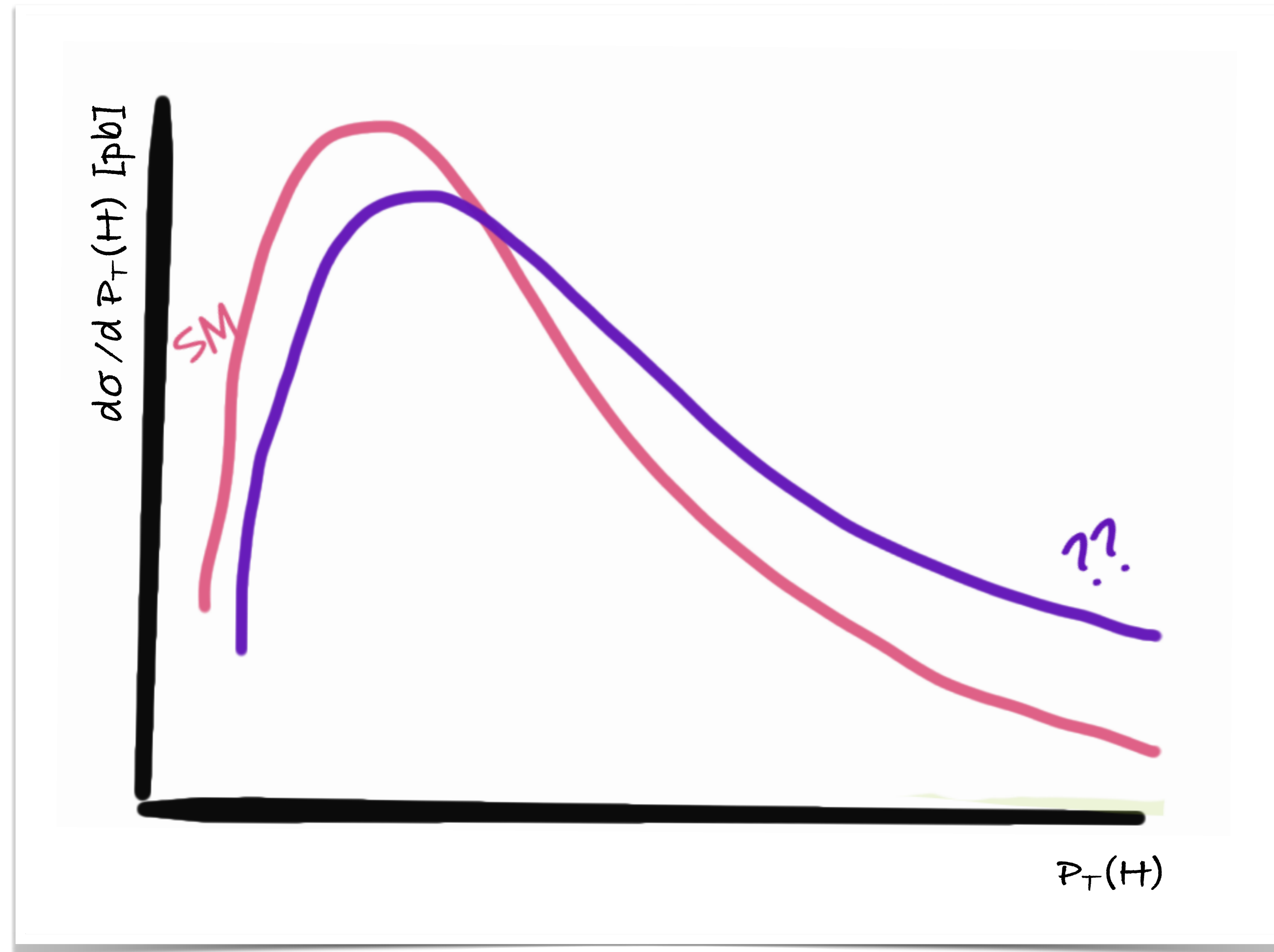
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# MORE ON RARE DECAYS...

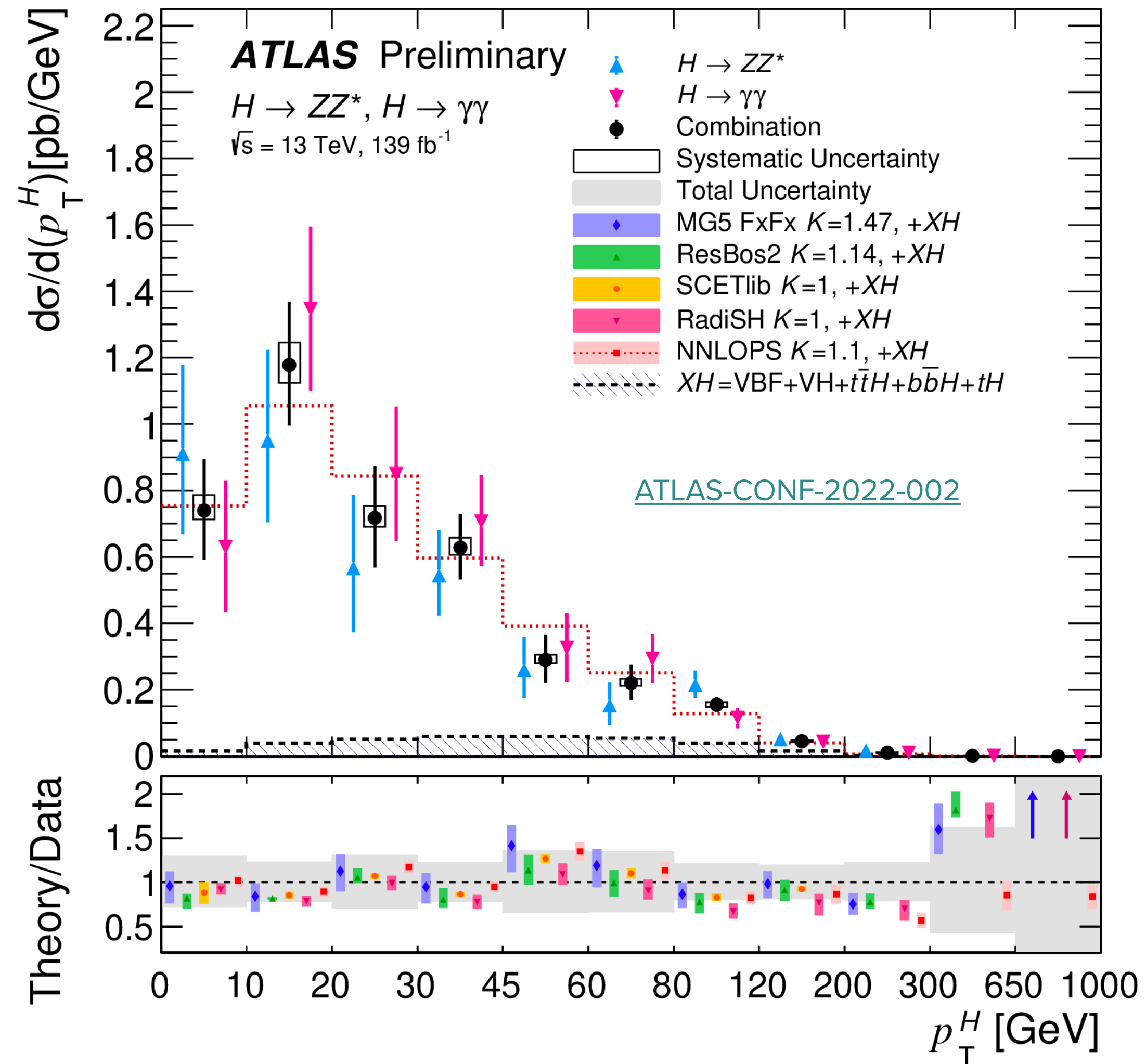




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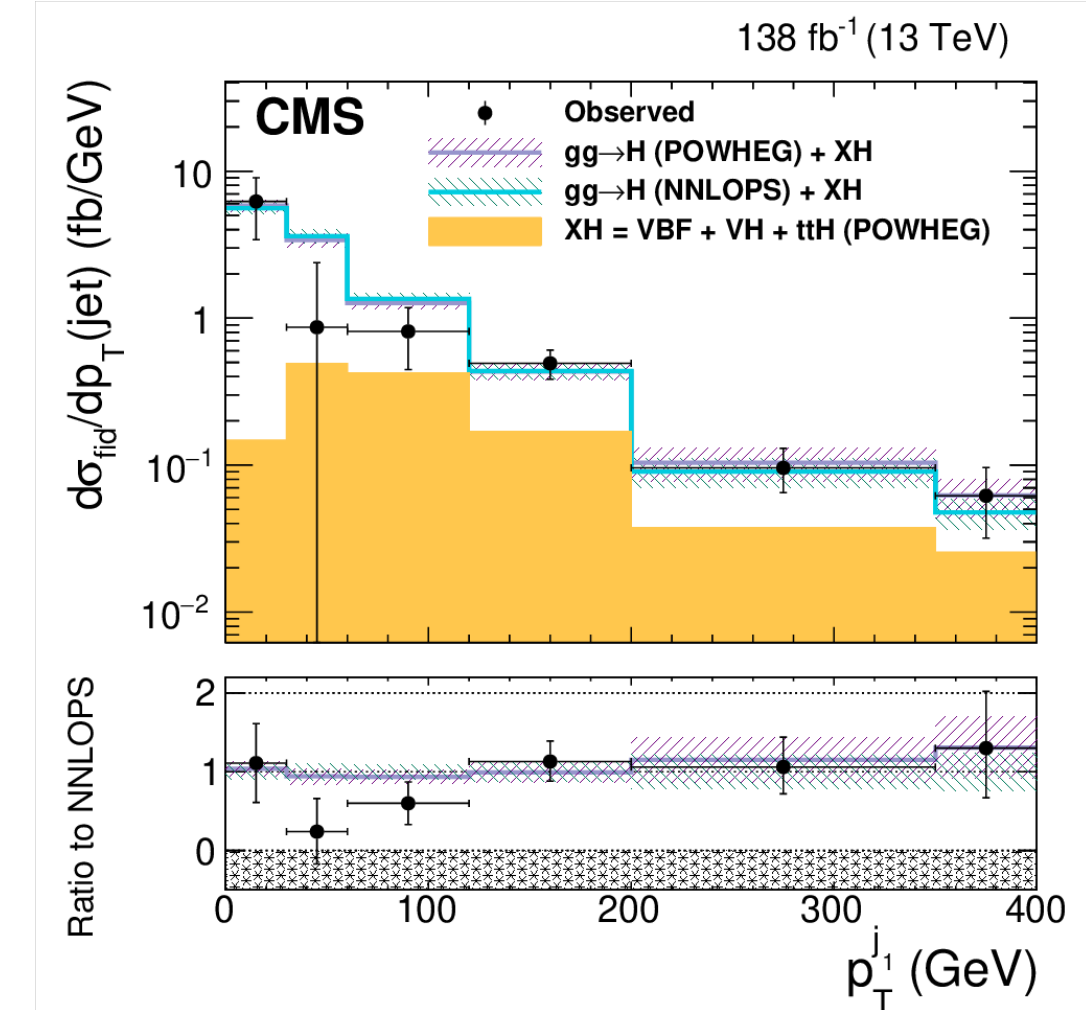
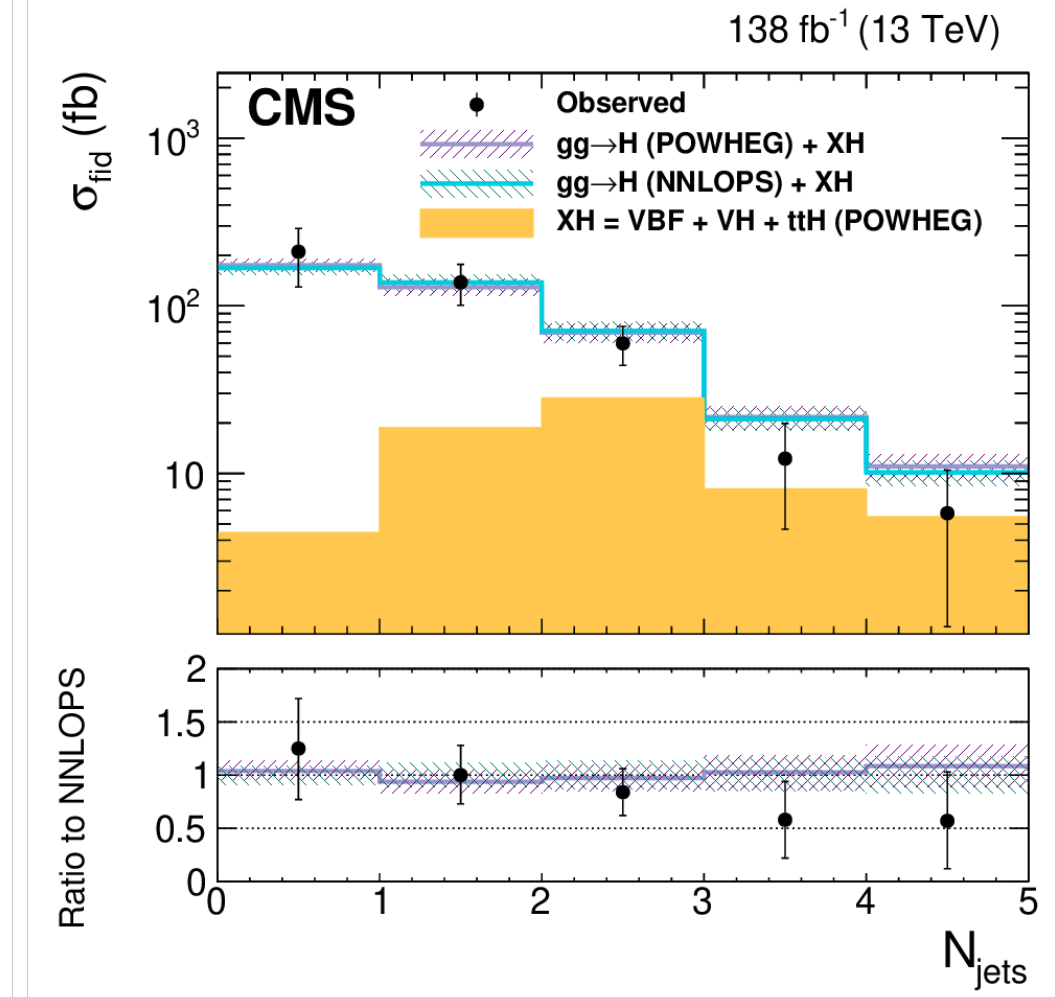
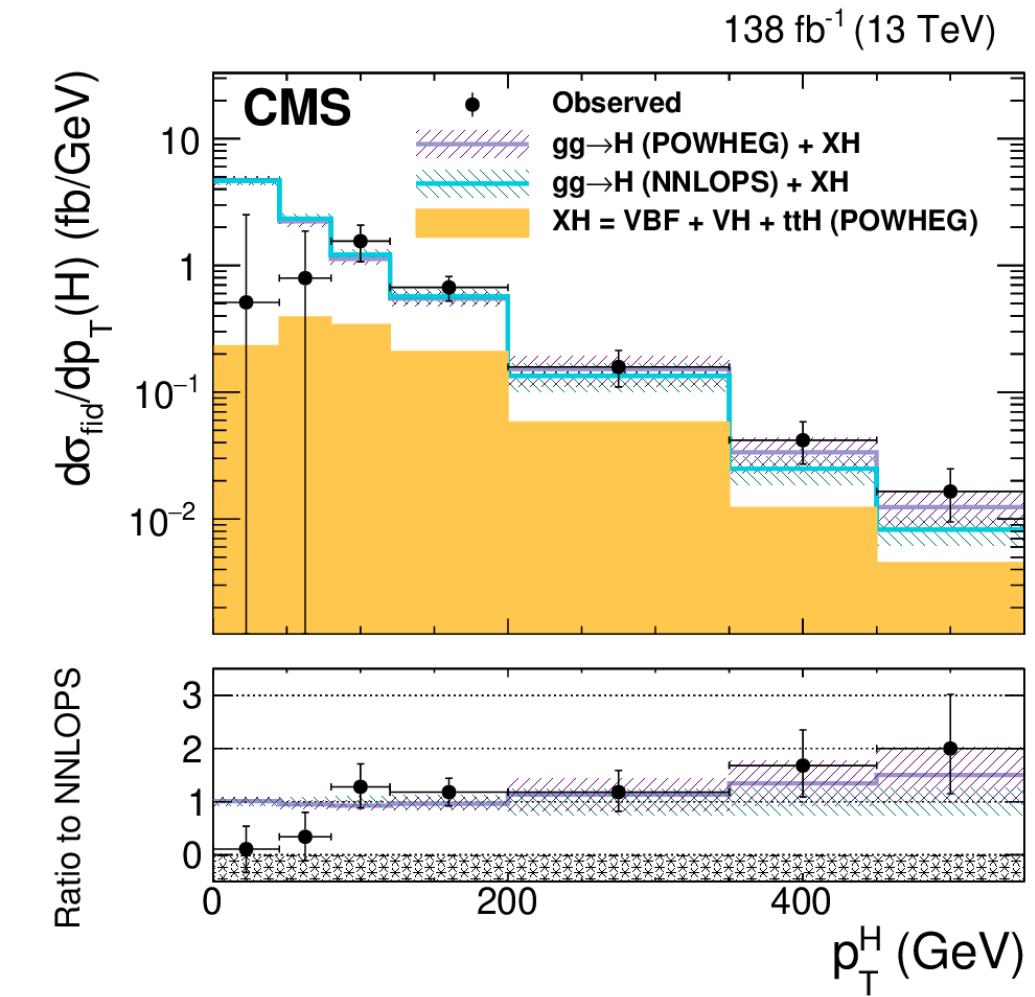
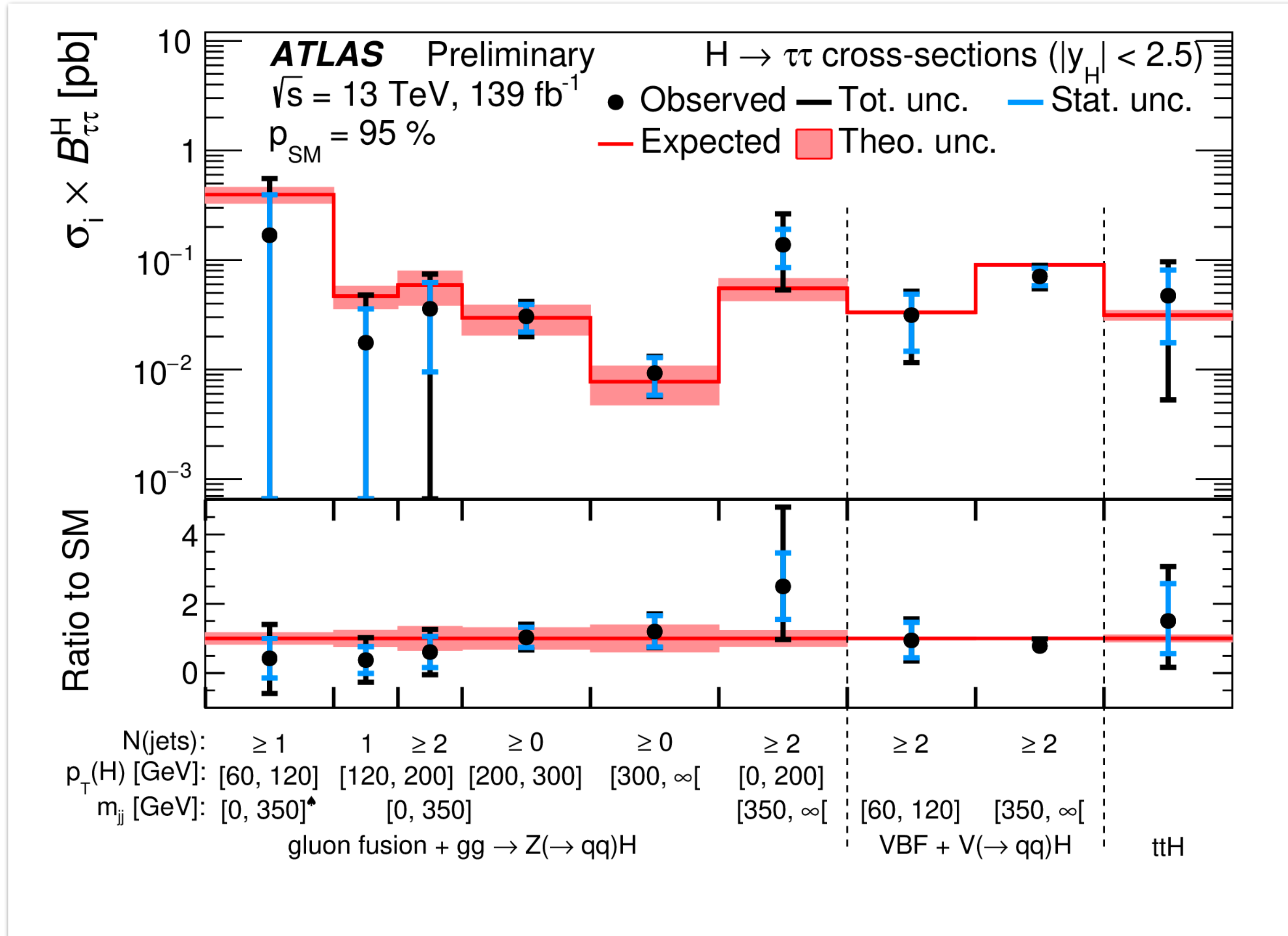


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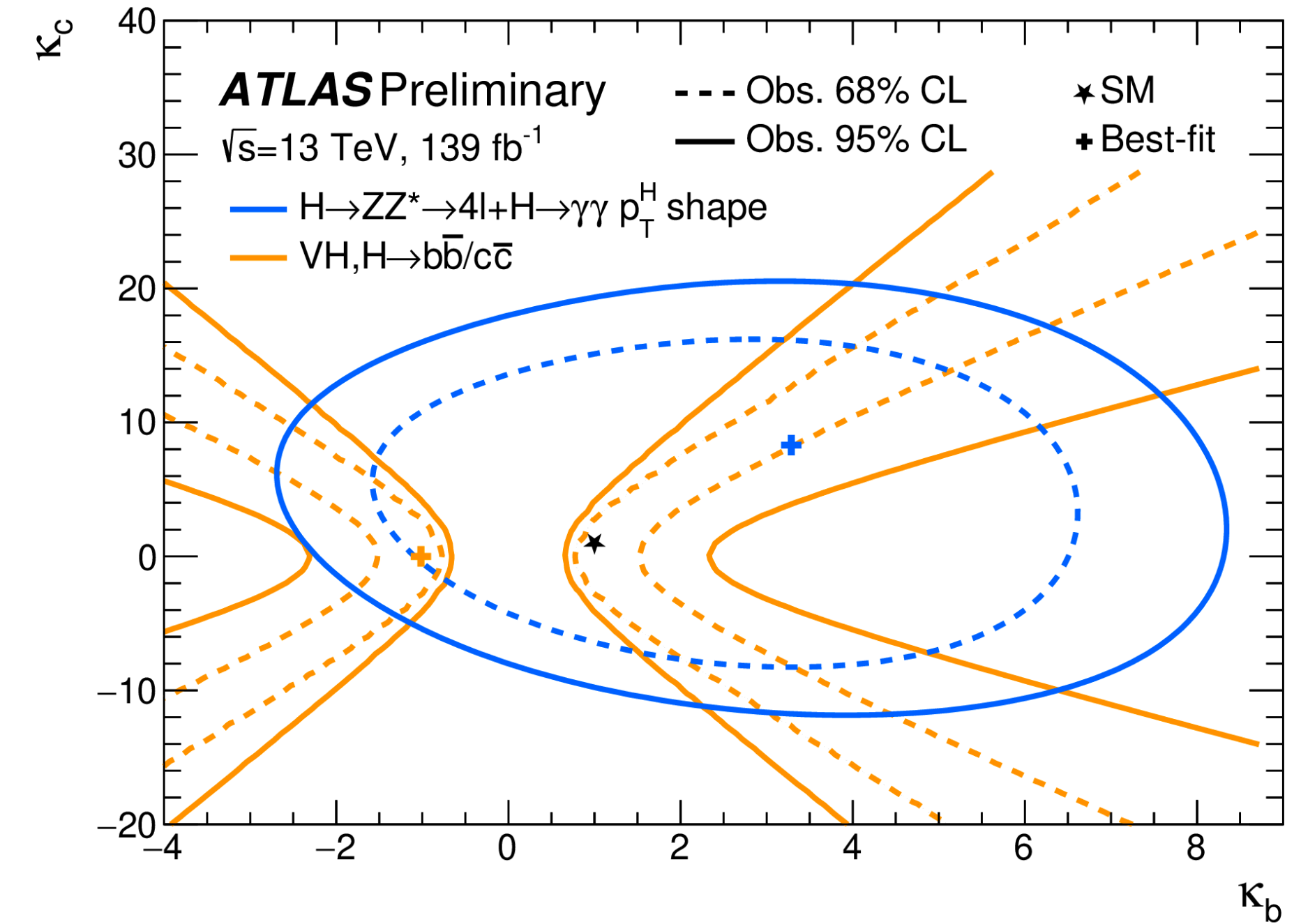
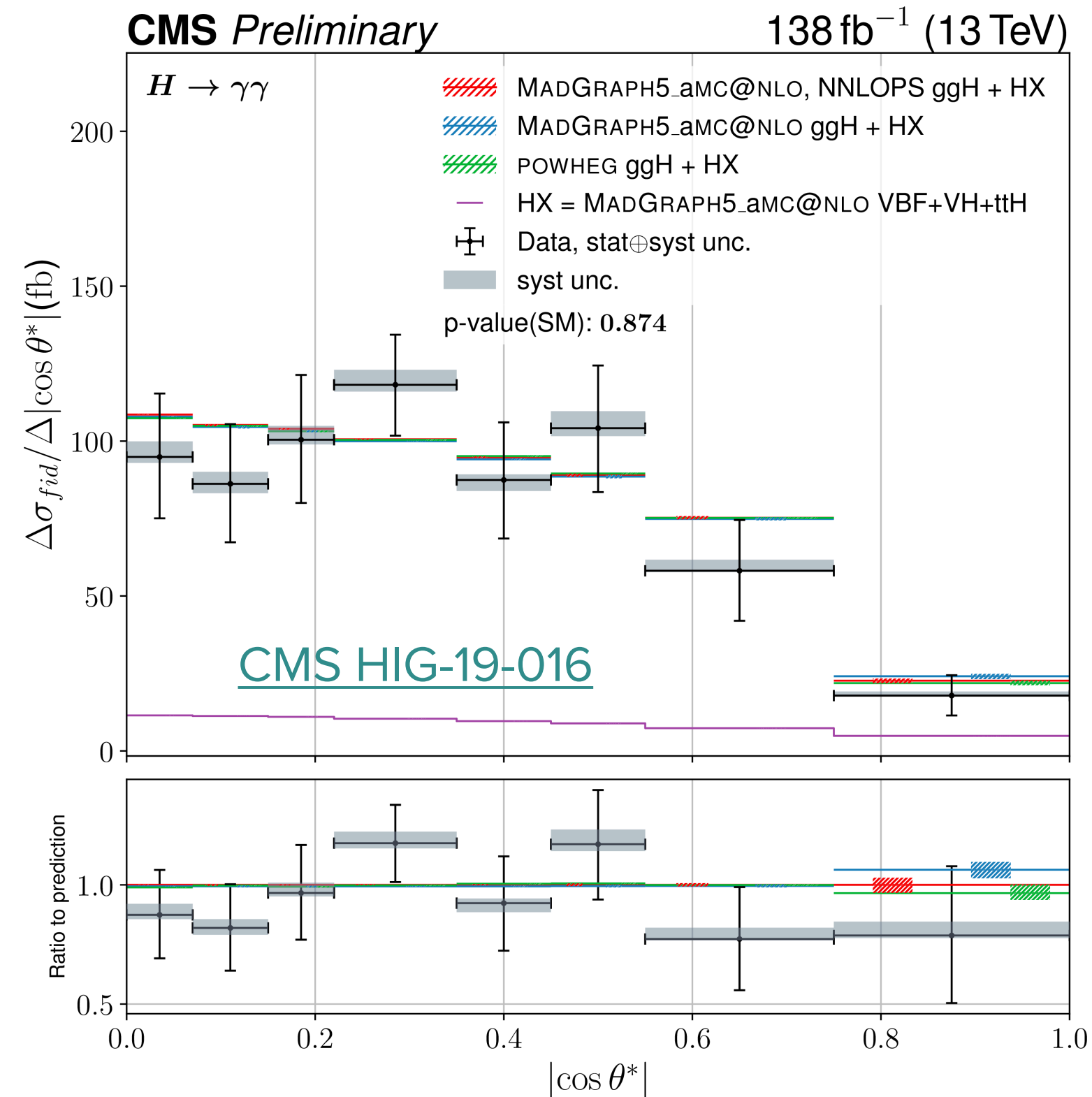


# KINEMATIC REGIMES



# FROM SIGNAL STRENGTHS TO DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS

- Measure the cross section as a function of Higgs kinematic variables (pt, eta of the products or of the Higgs, number of jets in the event,...)
- Do the current MC tools model the Higgs behaviour correctly?
- Indirect Constraints





# HOW HIGH WE CAN REACH IN HIGGS PT?

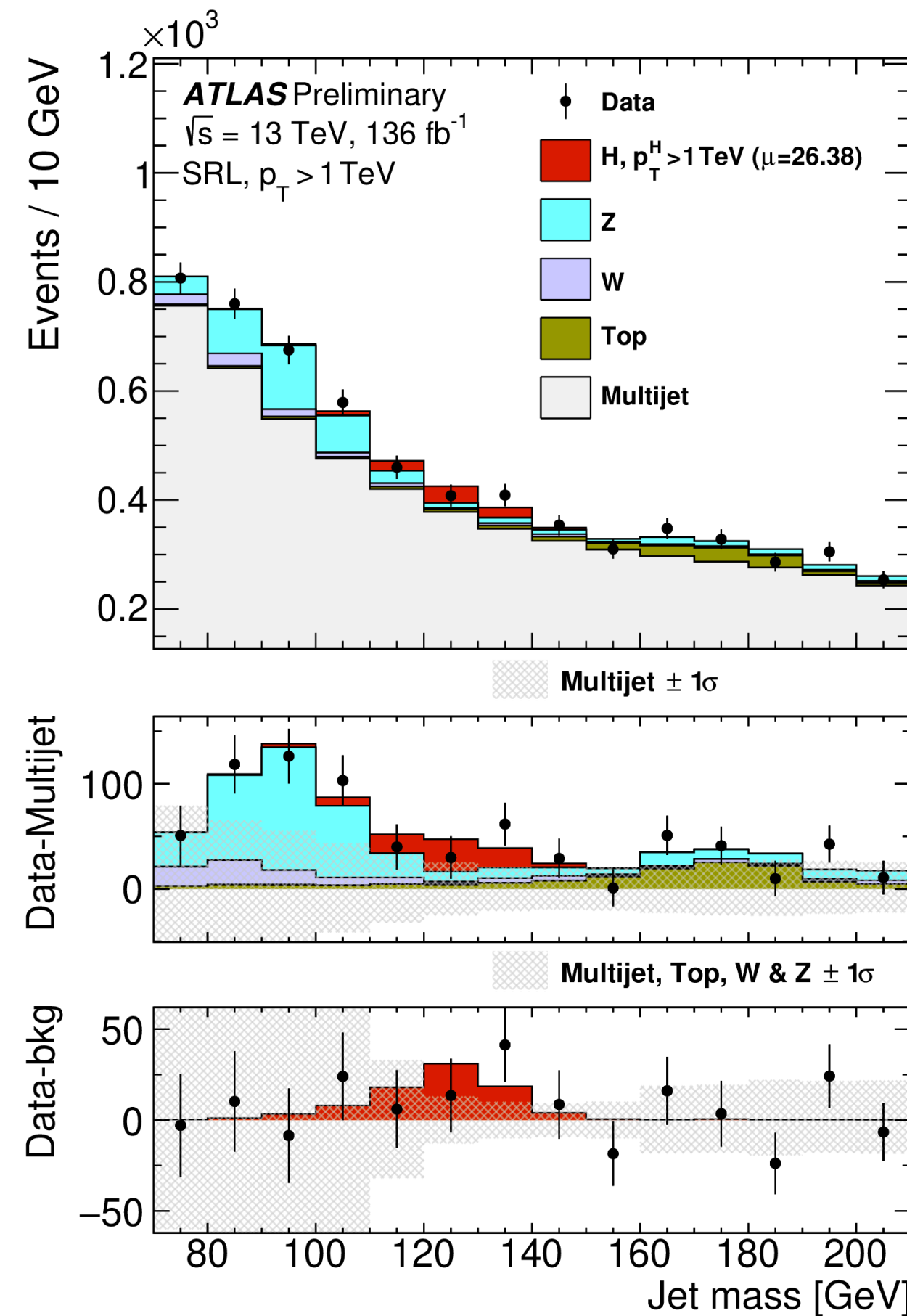
## High $p_T$ :

- Dominated by statistical uncertainty
- Worse theoretical understanding (larger modeling uncertainties)
- Enhanced sensitivity to BSM at high  $P_T$

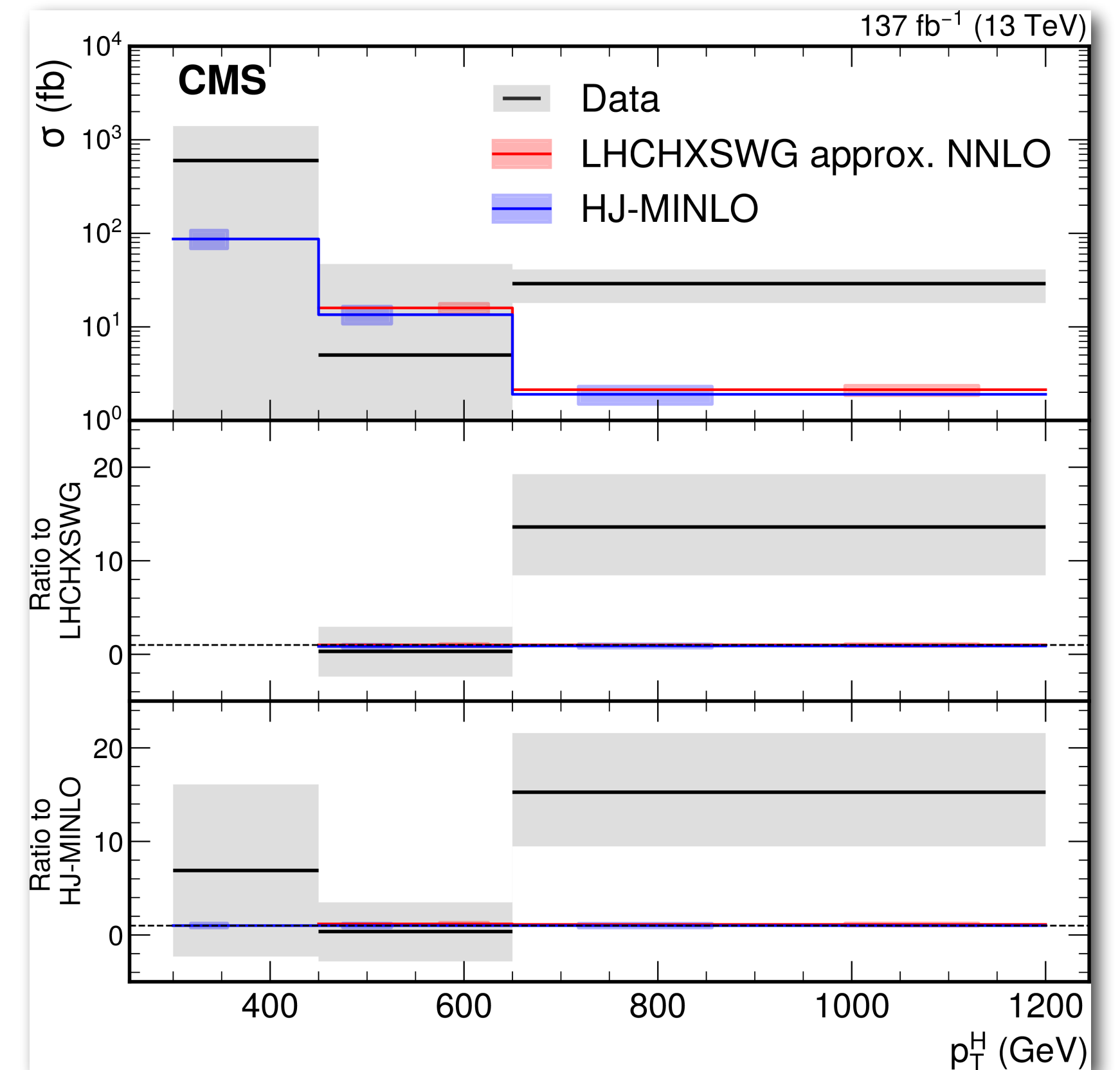
Very interesting phase space and topologies to cover as we collect data

Need statistics: **boosted ggF Hbb** analysis dominates

- AK8 jets & jet substructure techniques: soft-drop SD mass algorithm
- Measurements of the cross section in bins of  $p_T$  from 450-500 GeV up to 800-1200 GeV
- Parallel  $Z \rightarrow bb$  measurements as control analyses

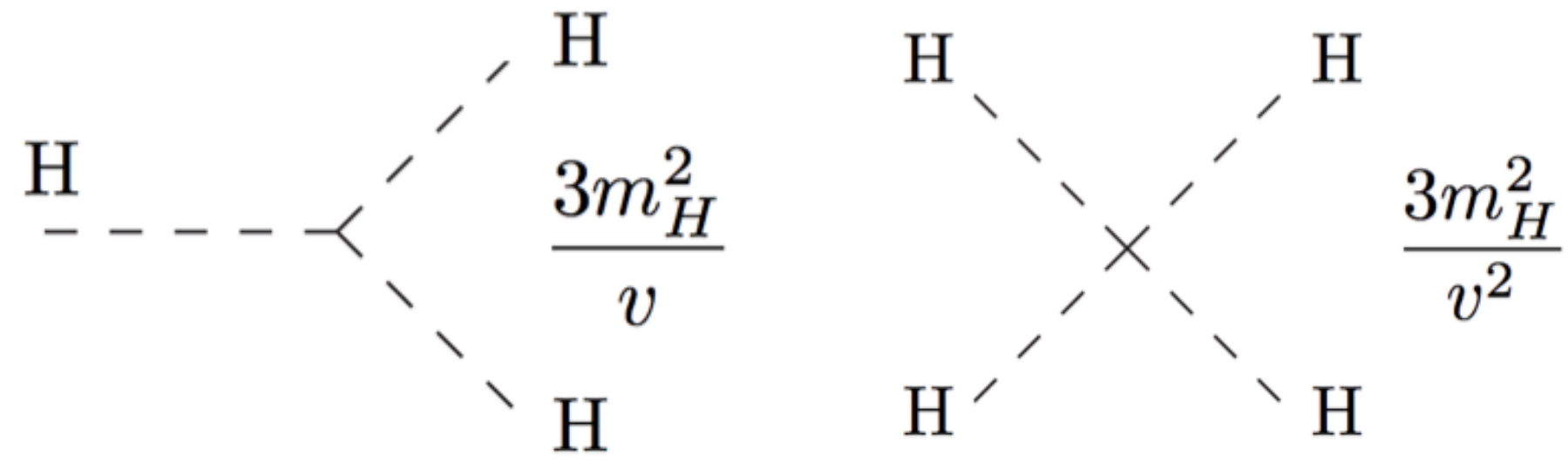


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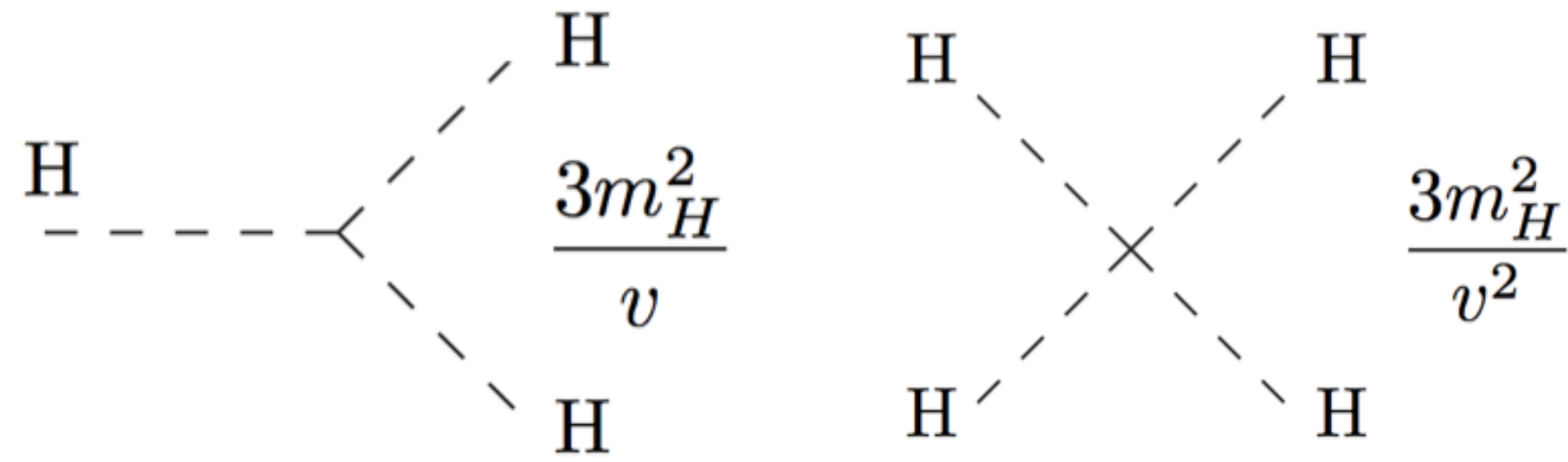
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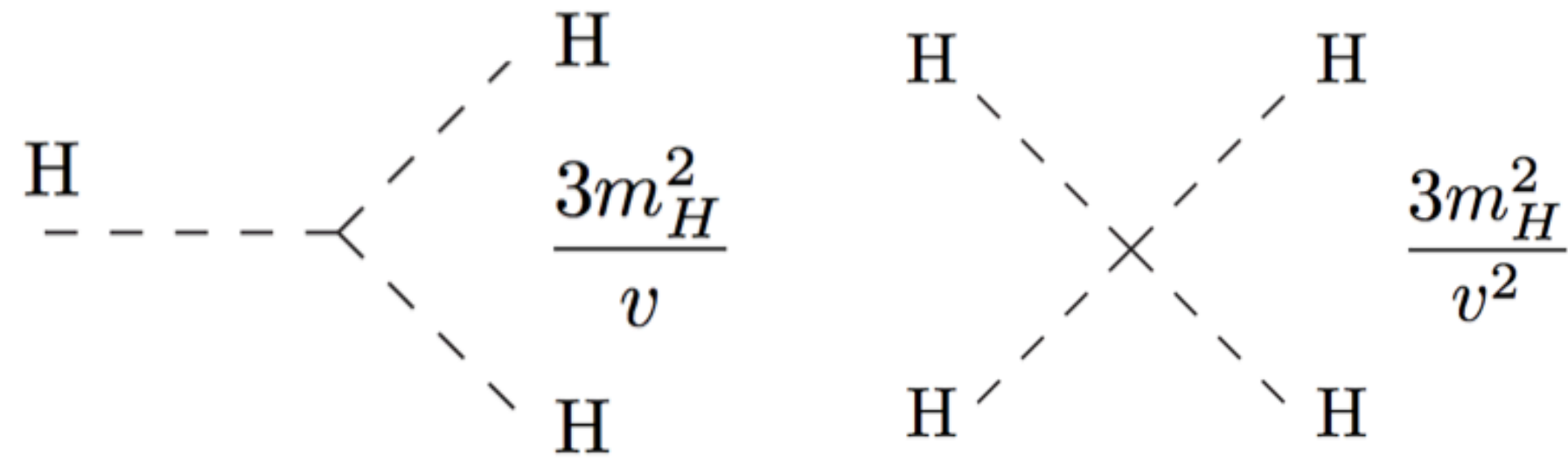
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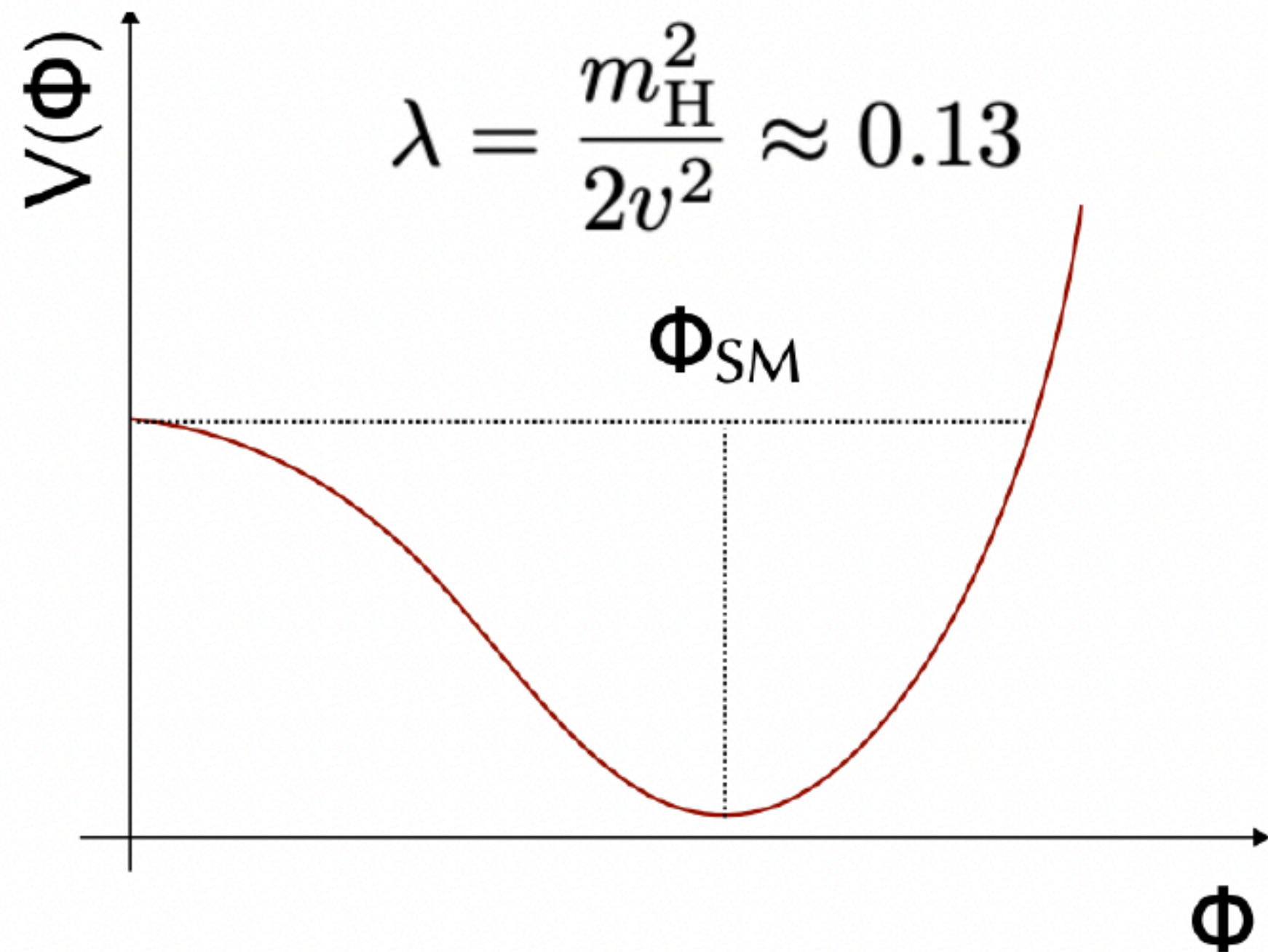
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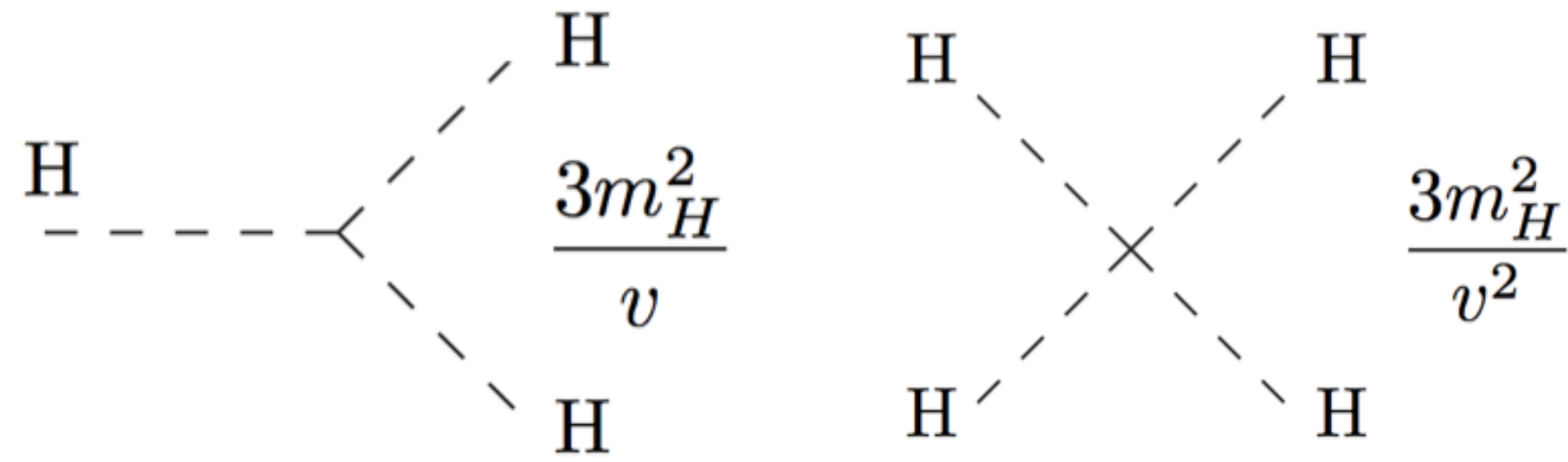
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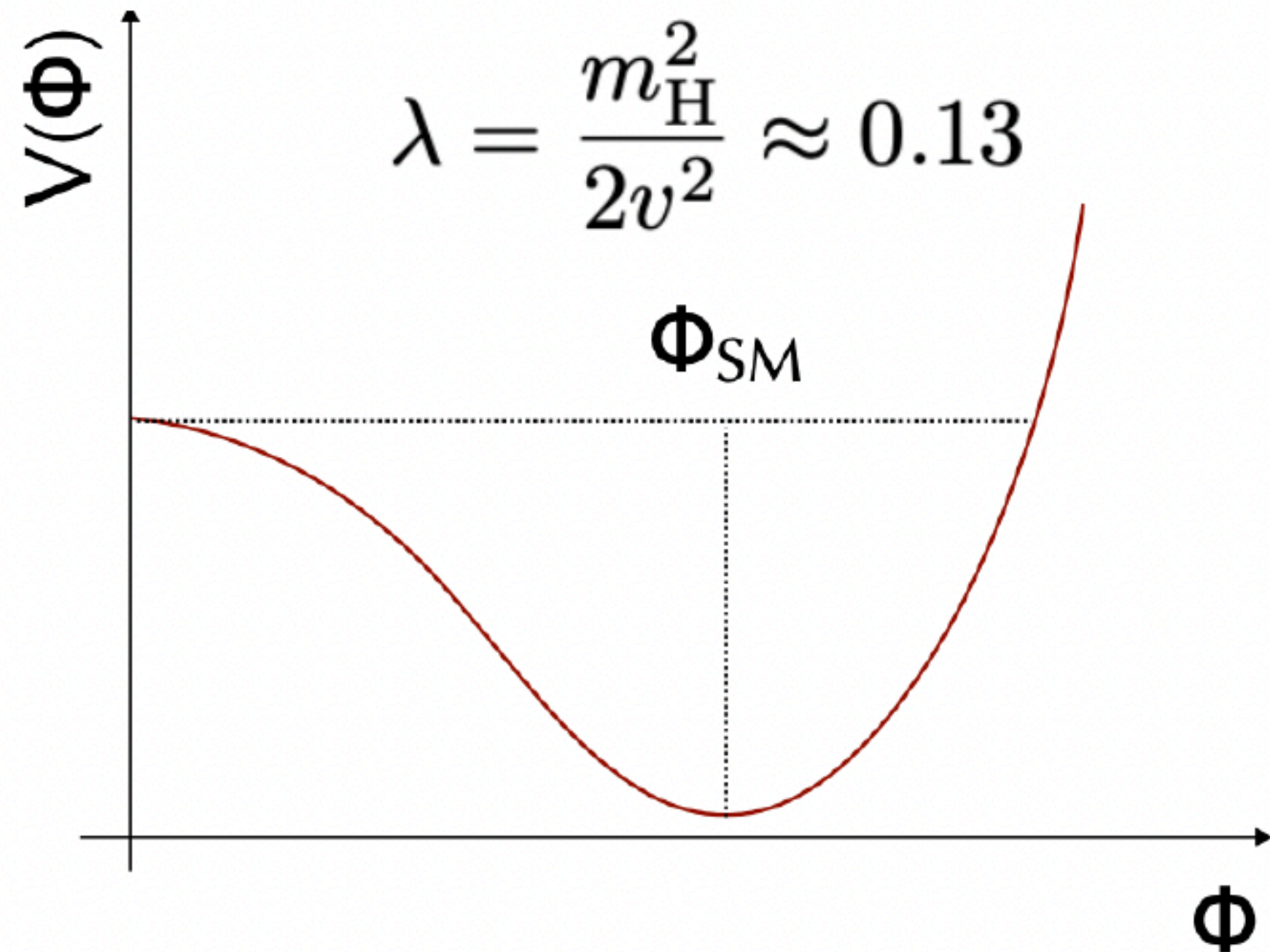


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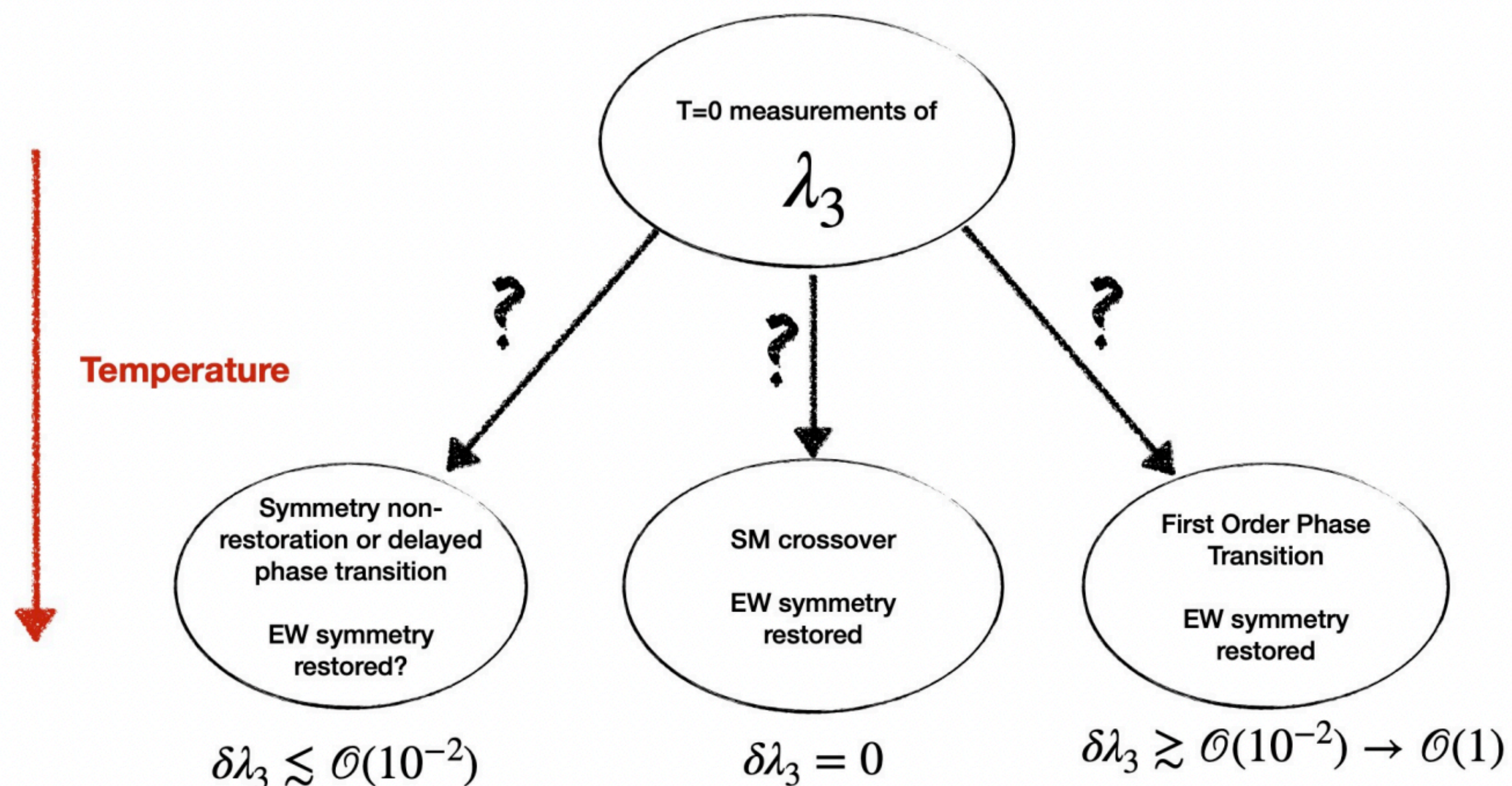
$$V(H) = \underbrace{\frac{M_H^2}{2} H^2}_{\text{mass}} + \underbrace{\frac{M_H^2}{2v} H^3}_{\lambda_{HHH}} + \underbrace{\frac{M_H^2}{8v^2} H^4}_{\lambda_{HHHH}}$$

Self-couplings



# CONNECTION TO COSMOLOGY

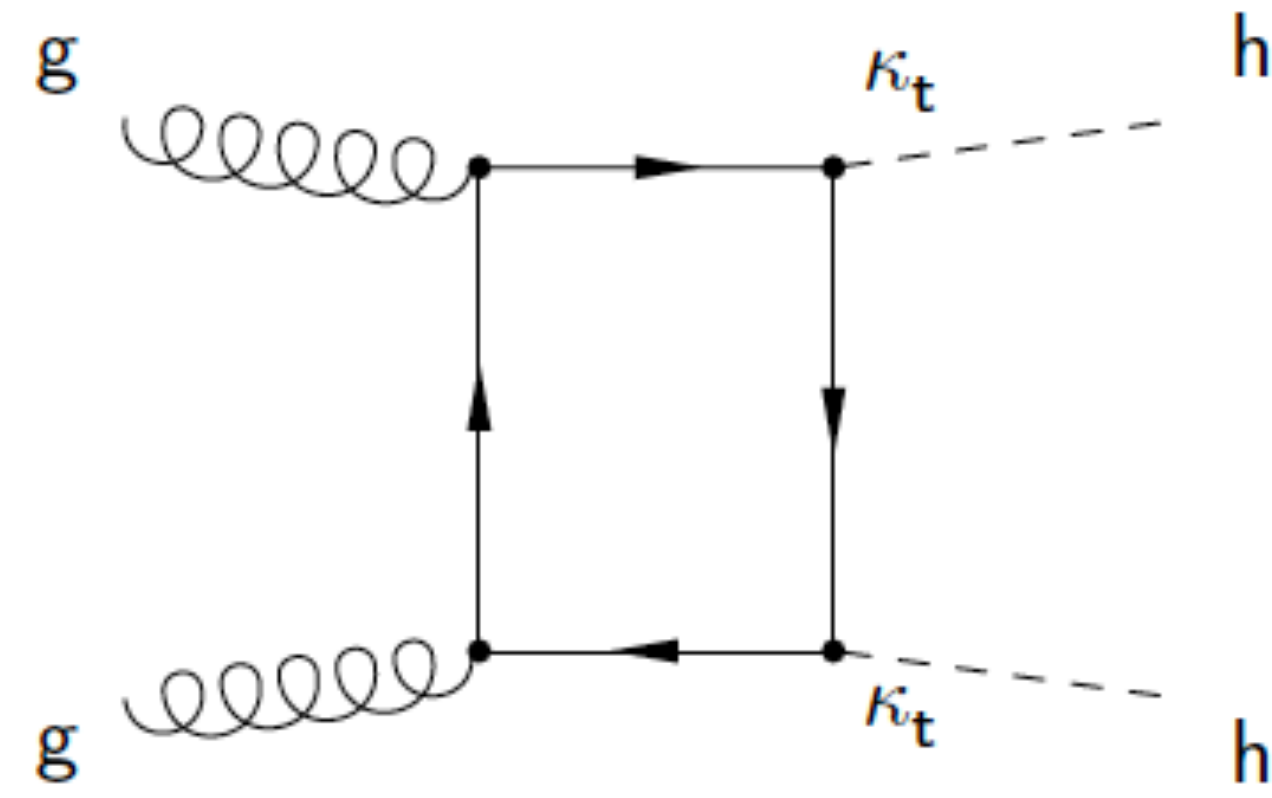
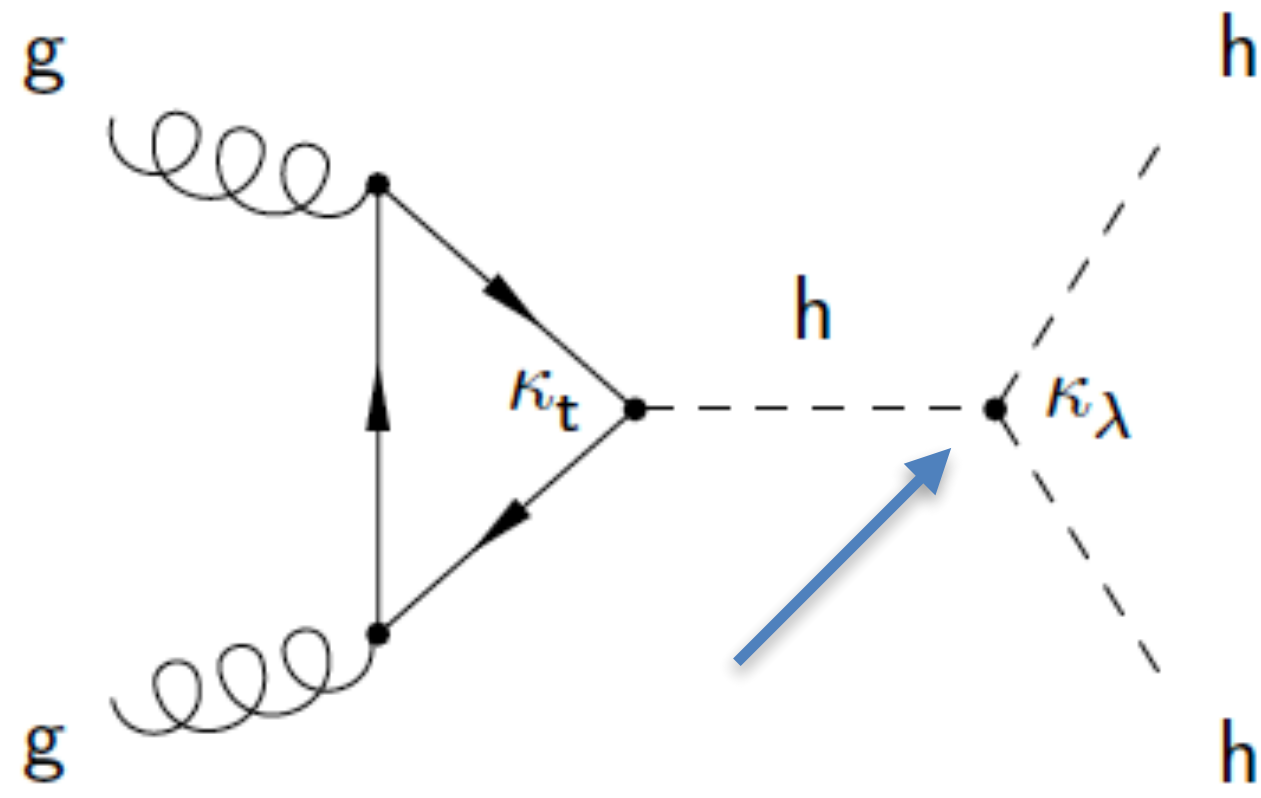
Studying the Higgs Self-Coupling transcends particle physics: understanding the Higgs Potential and the vacuum connects with the structure of the Universe



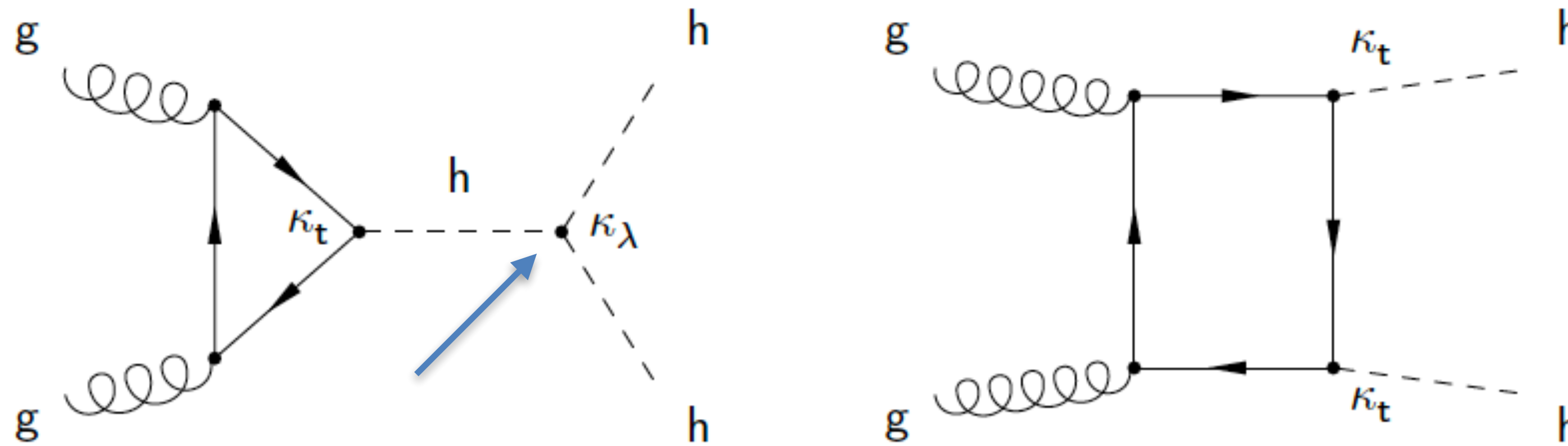
- Is there a deep reason for the apparent metastability of the Higgs vacuum?
- Is there a connection between the Higgs/EWSB and baryogenesis, Dark Matter, or inflation?
- What happens at the EW phase transition during the Big Bang?



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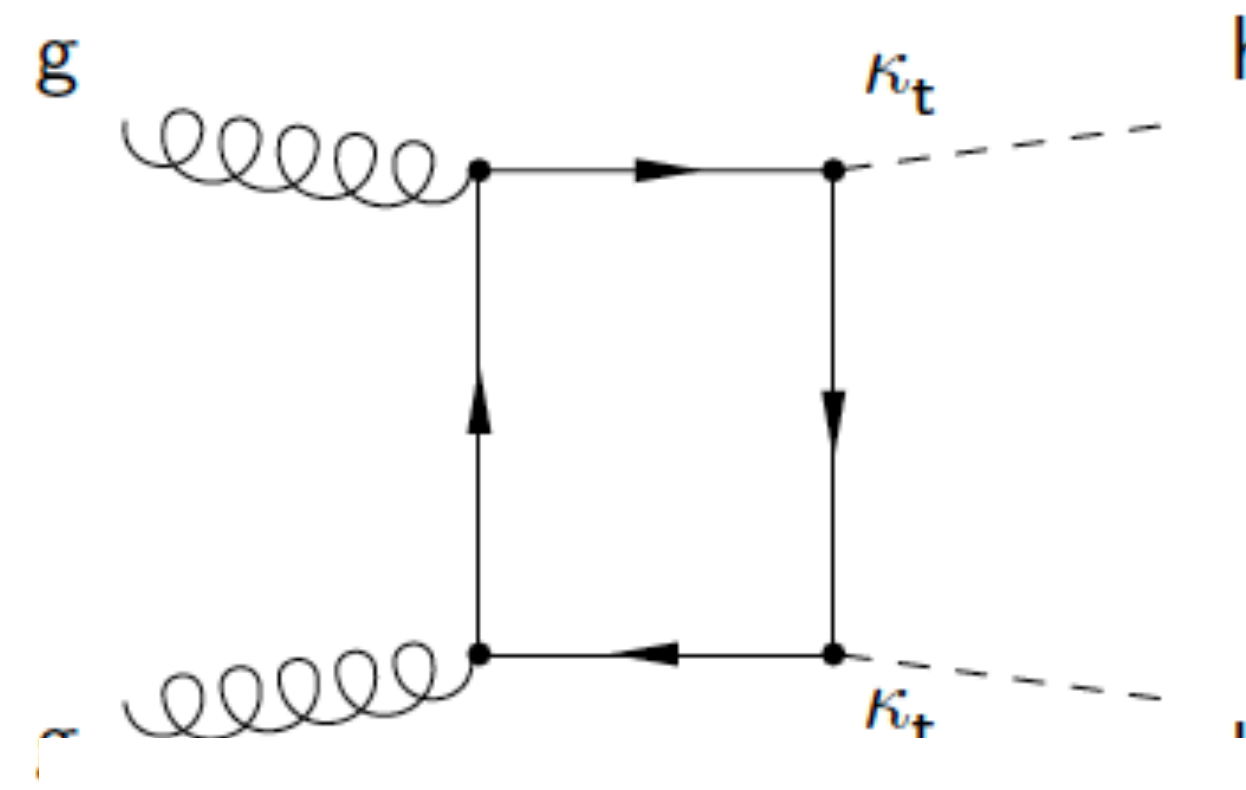
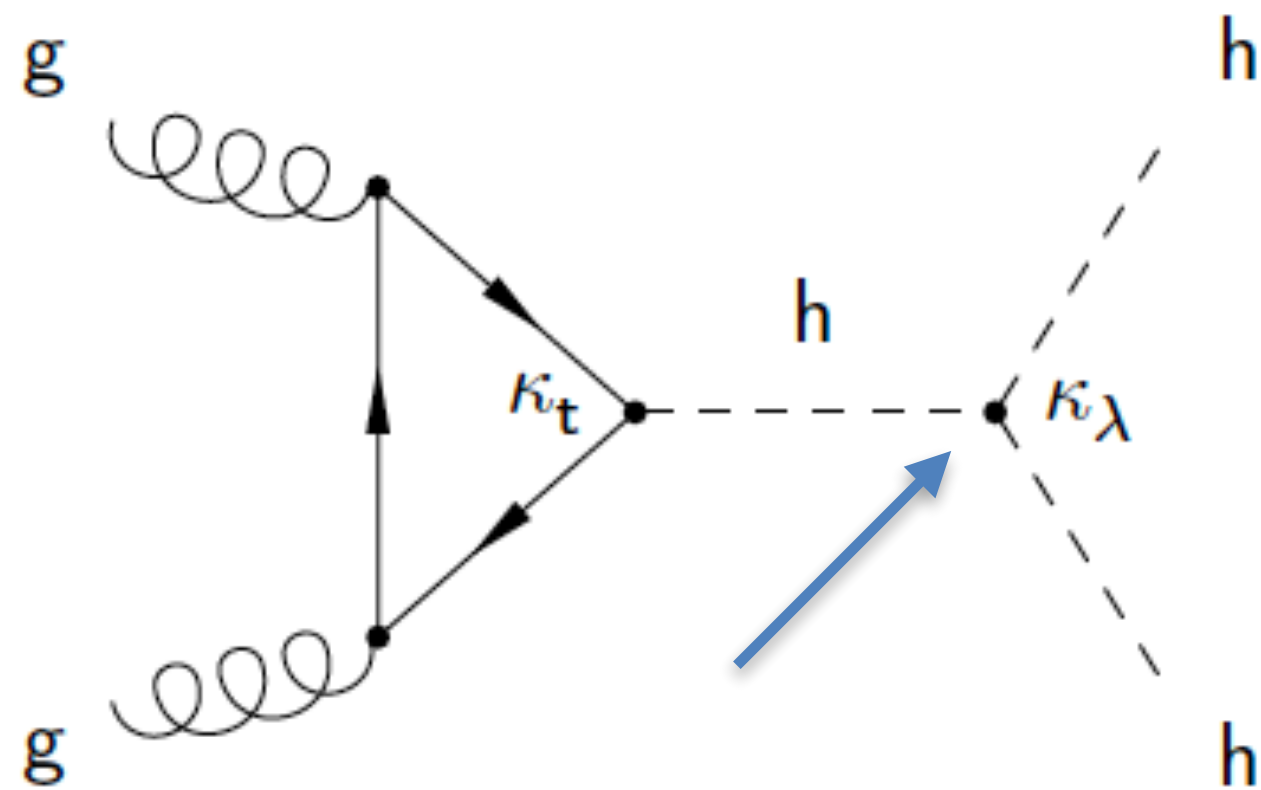
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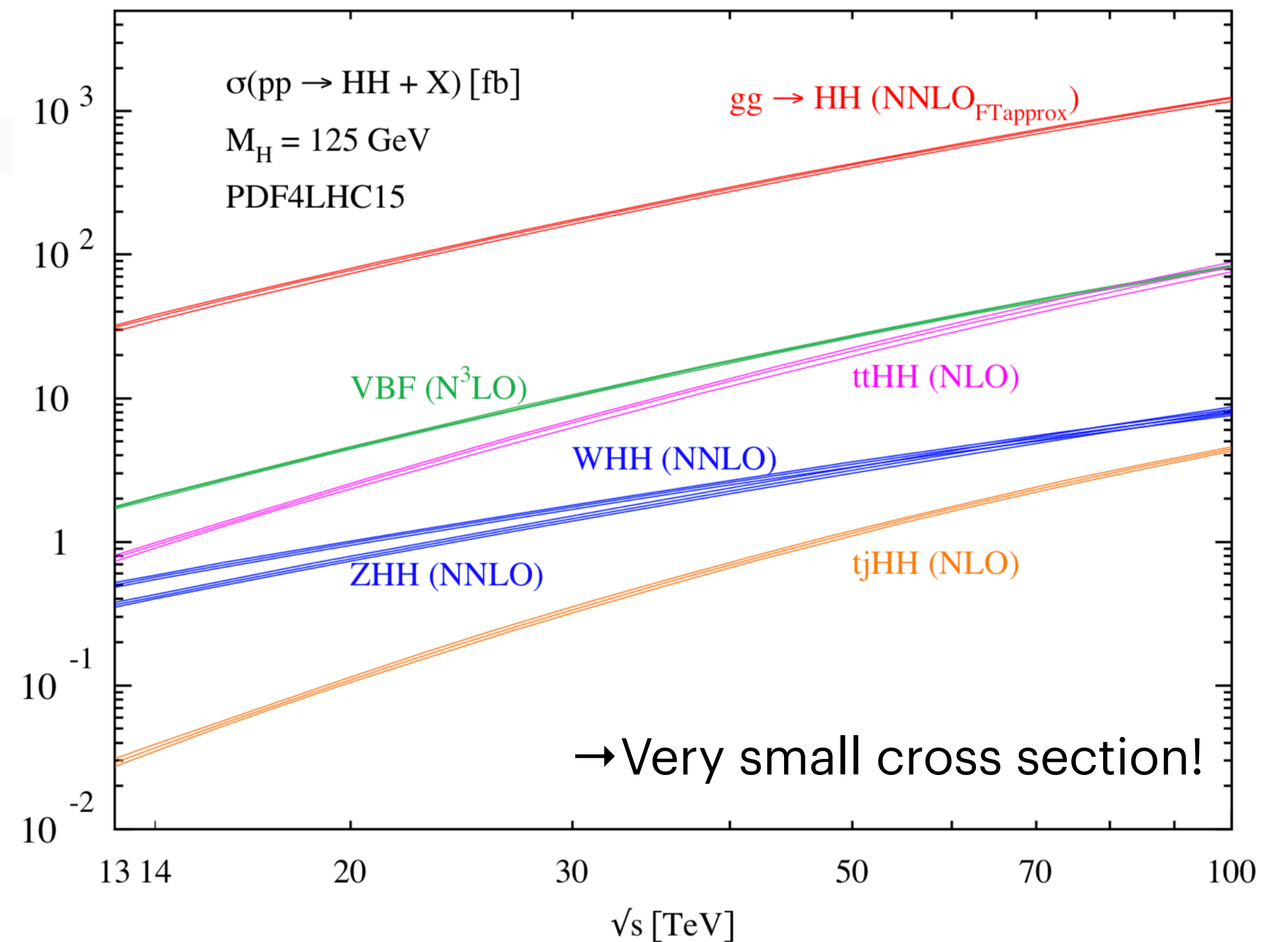
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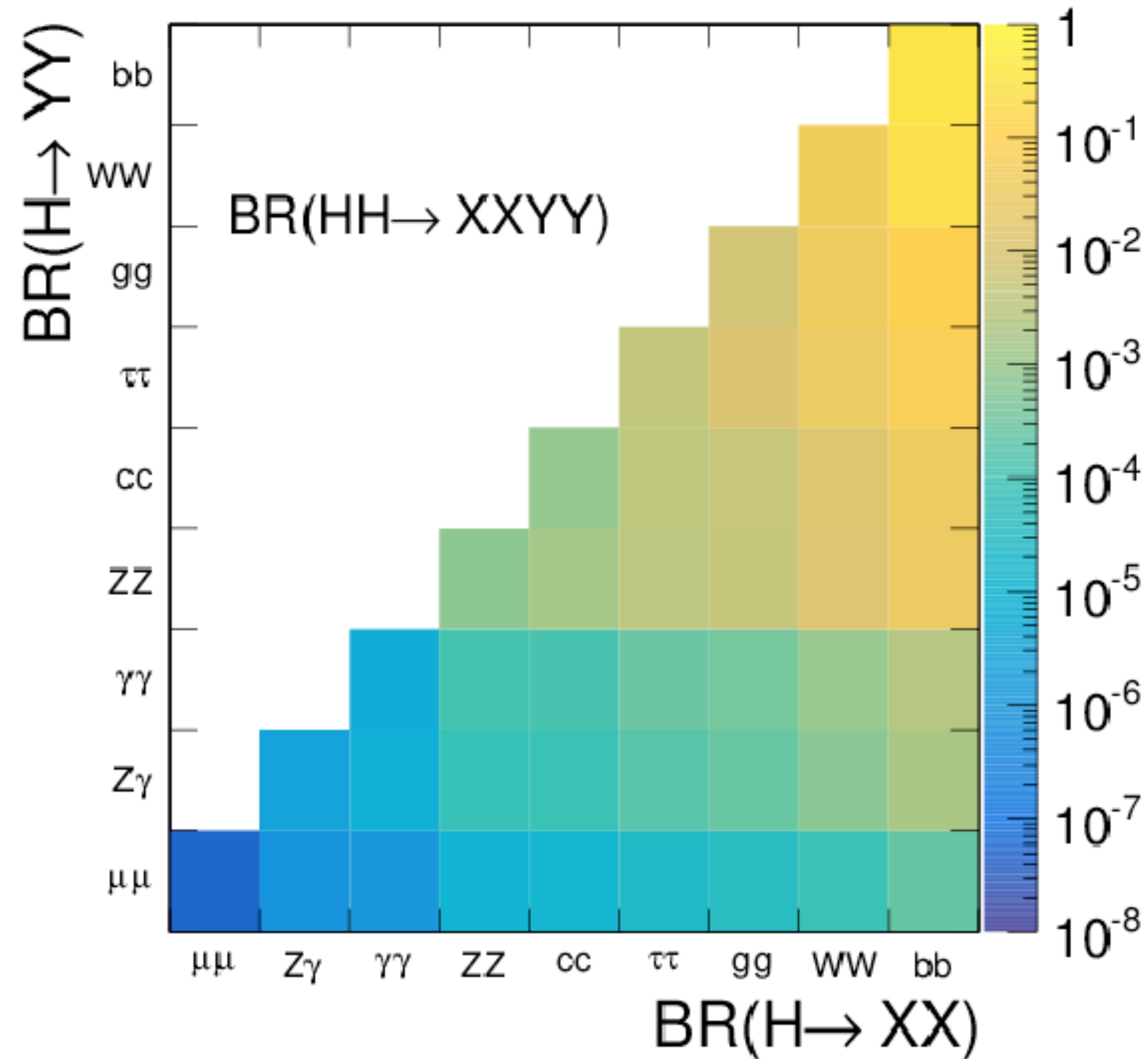
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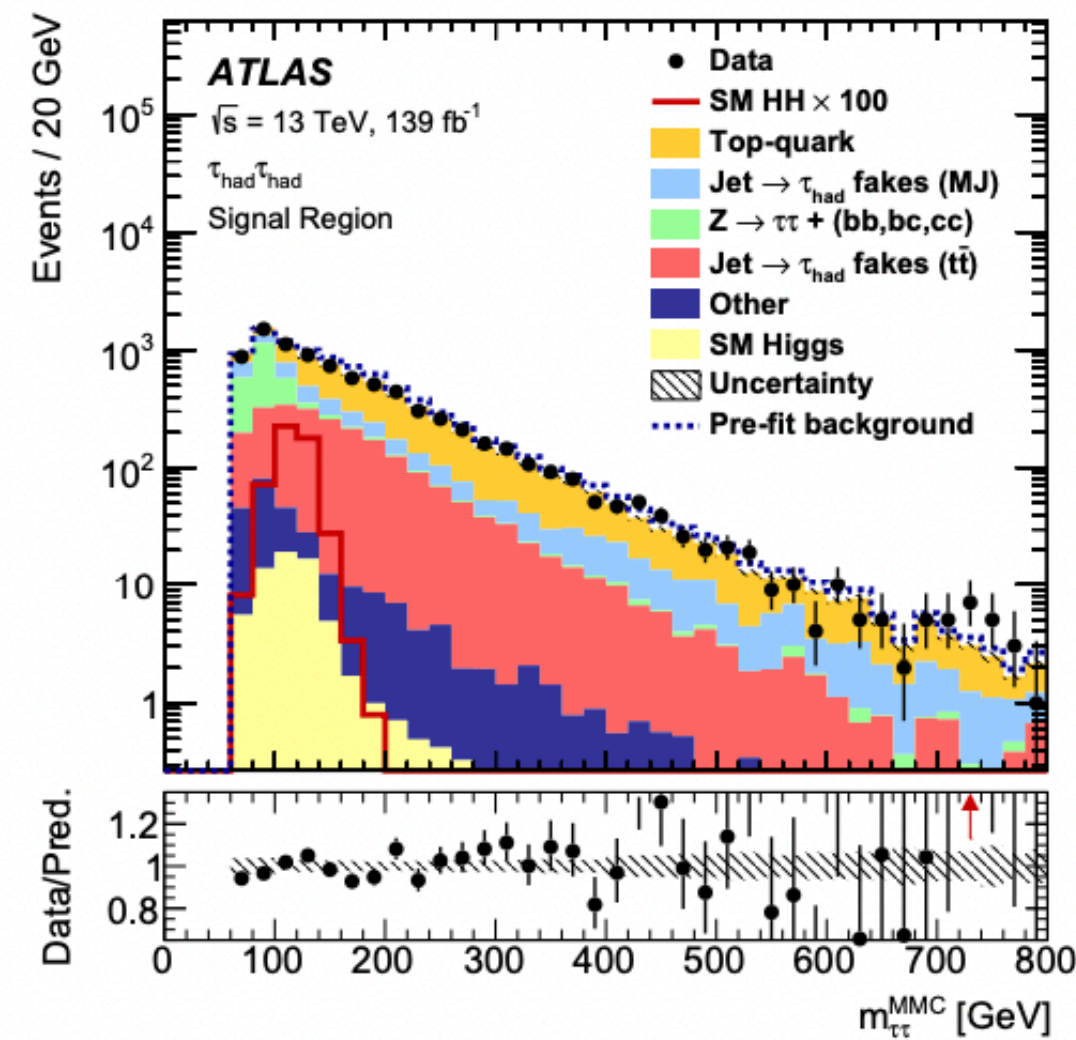
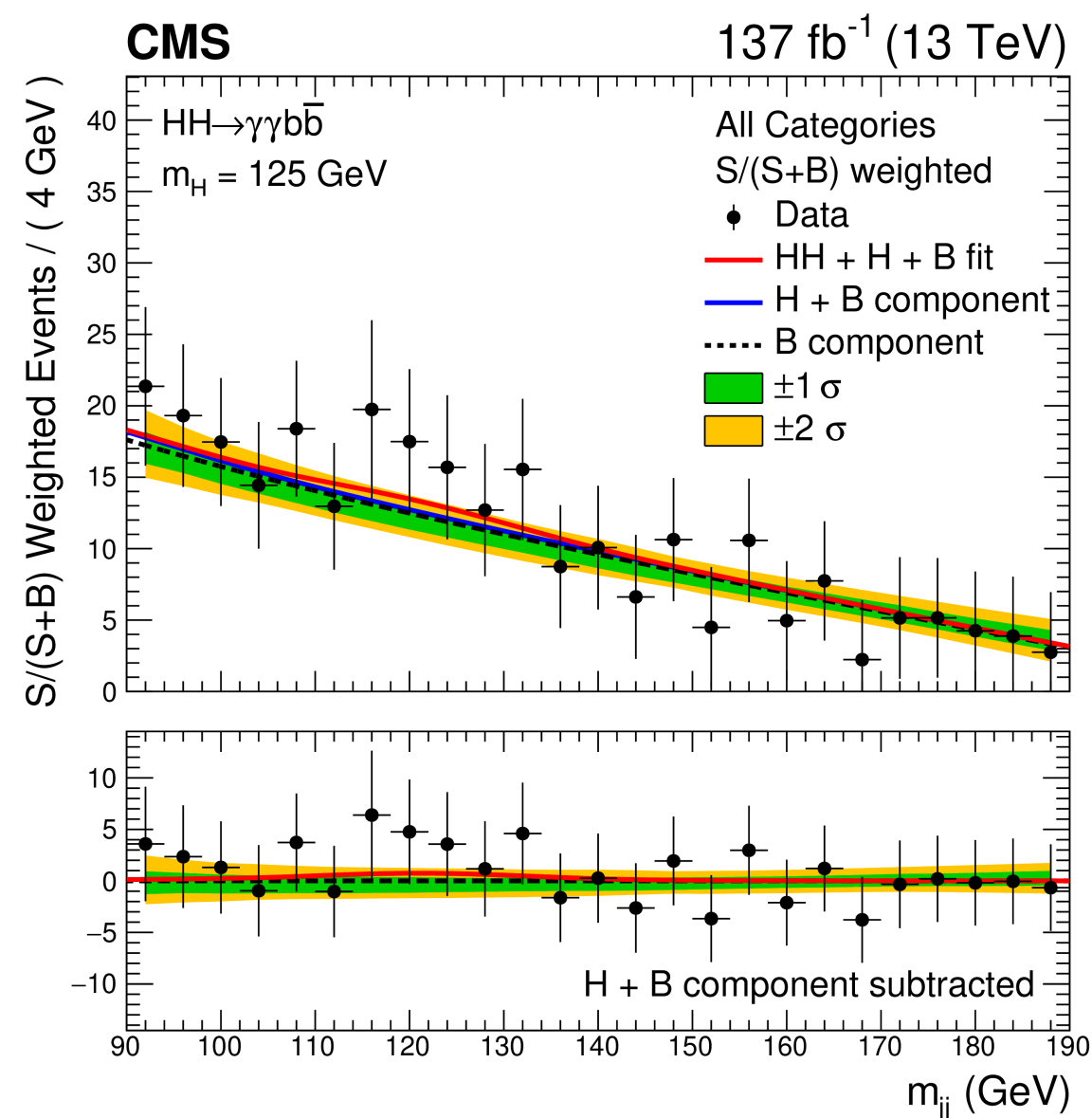
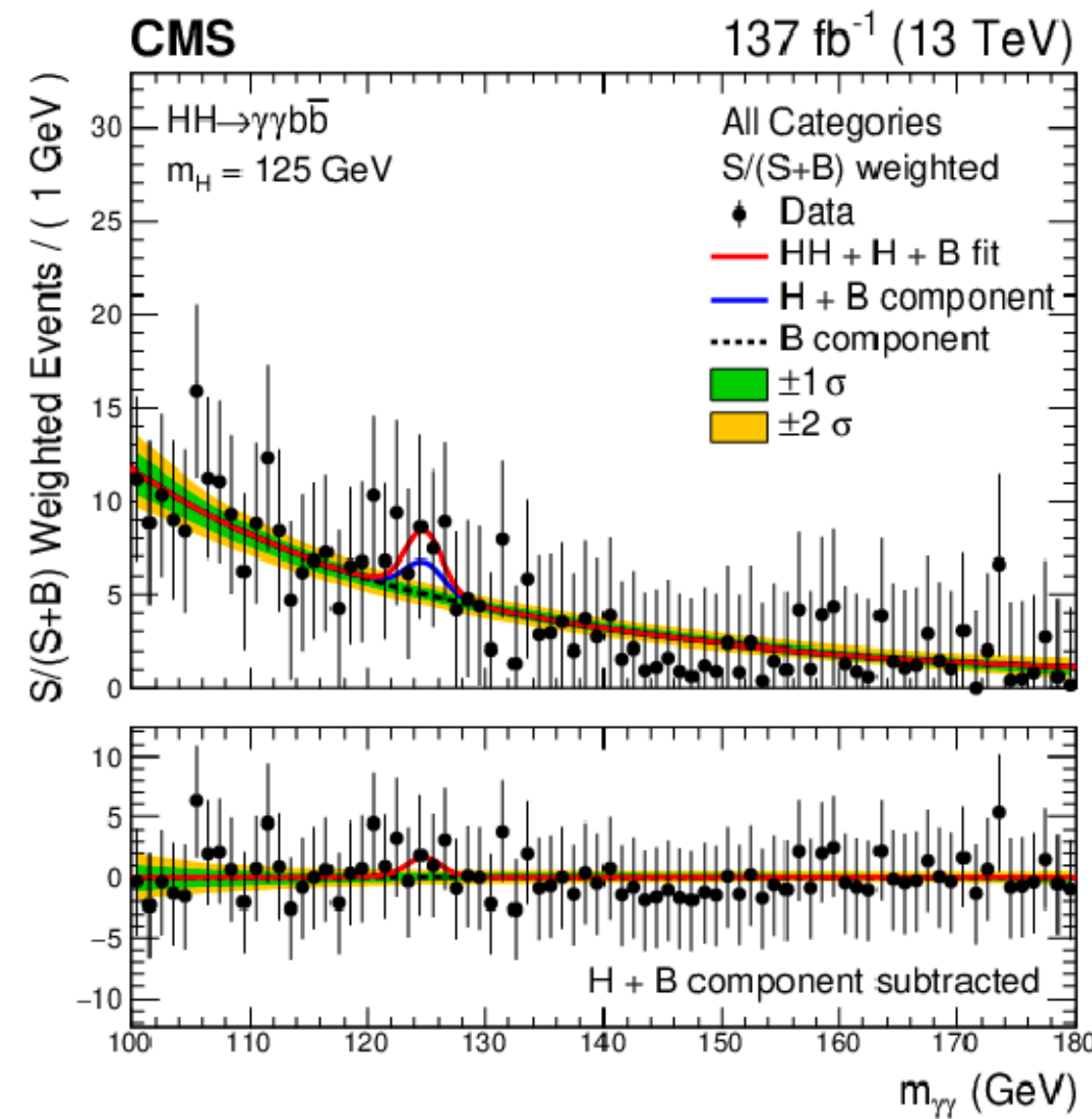
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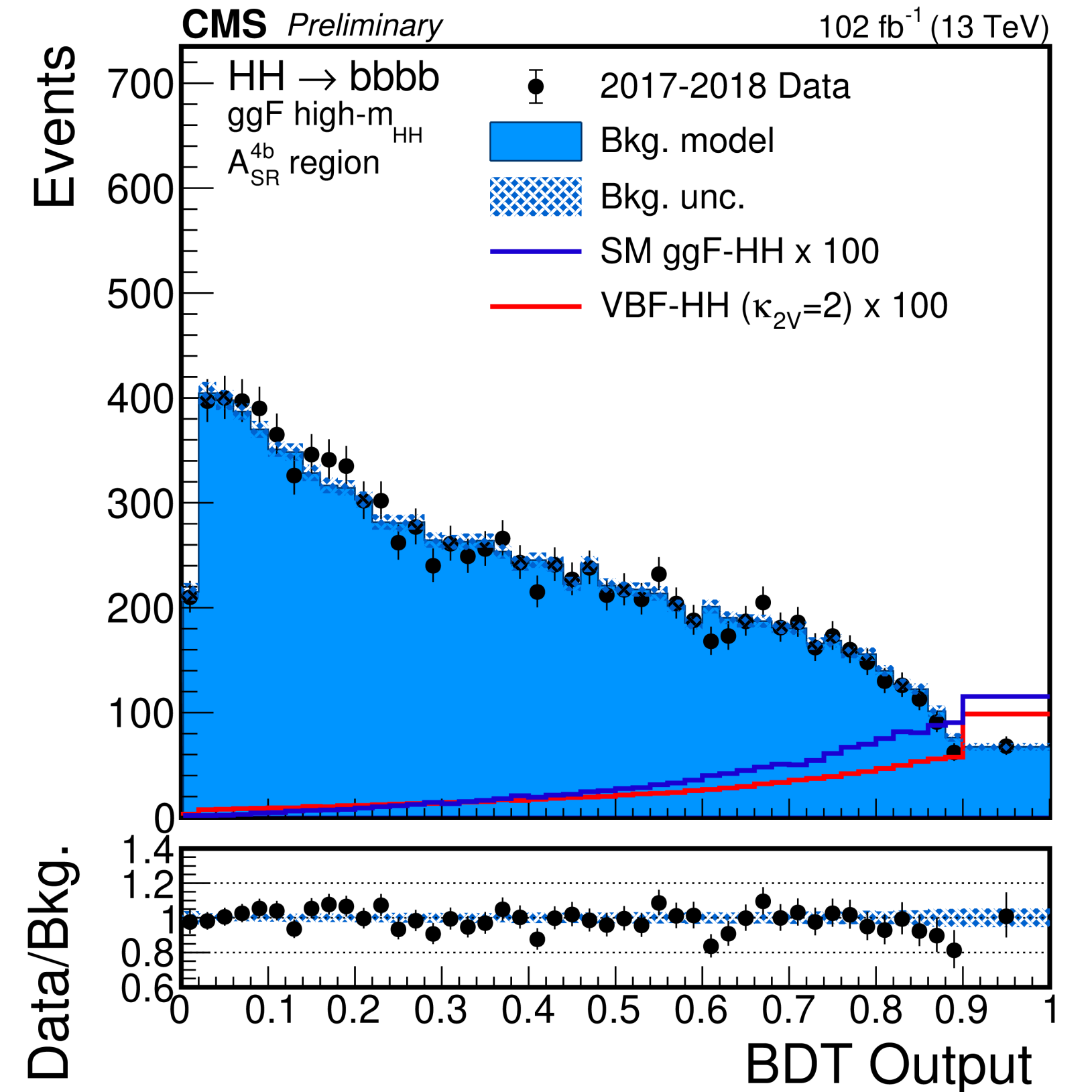
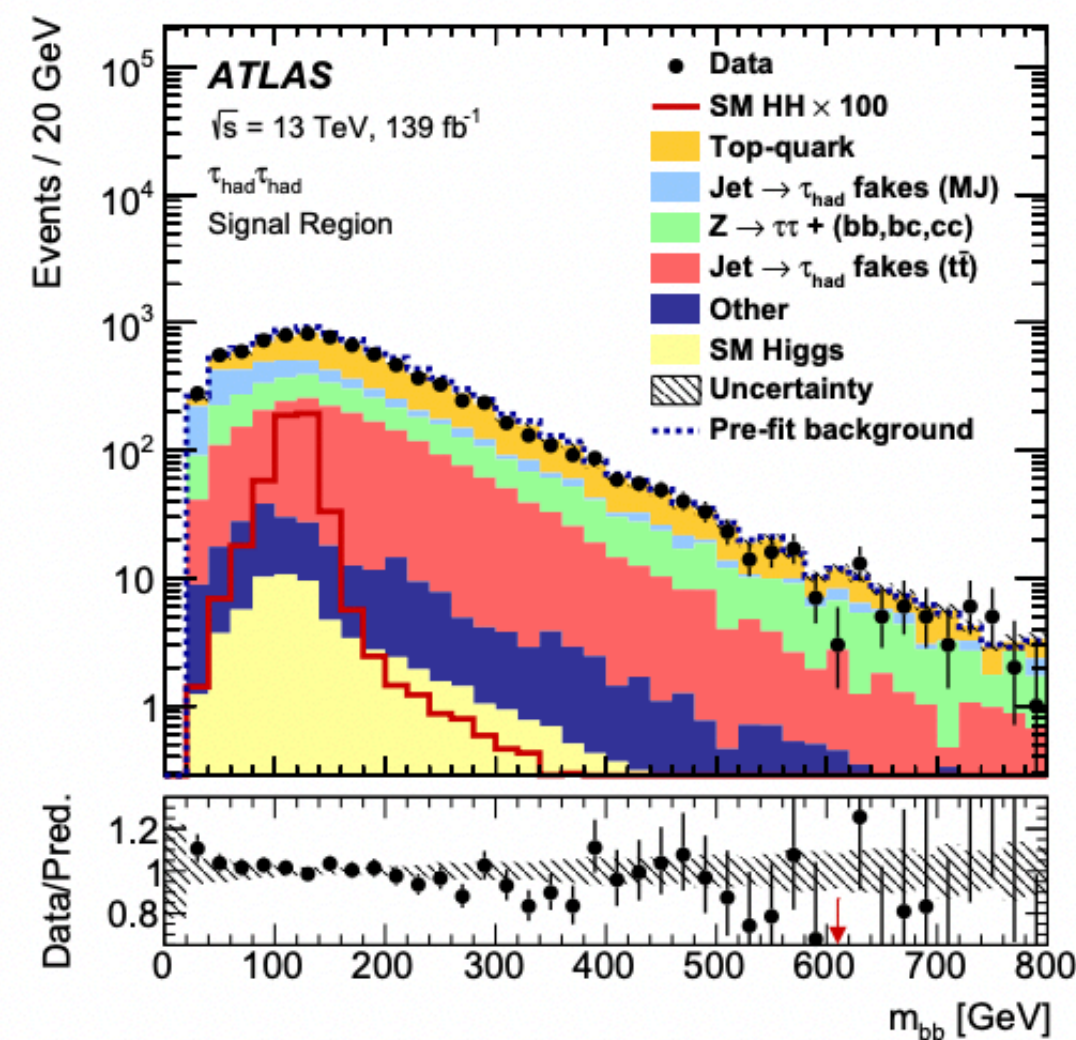
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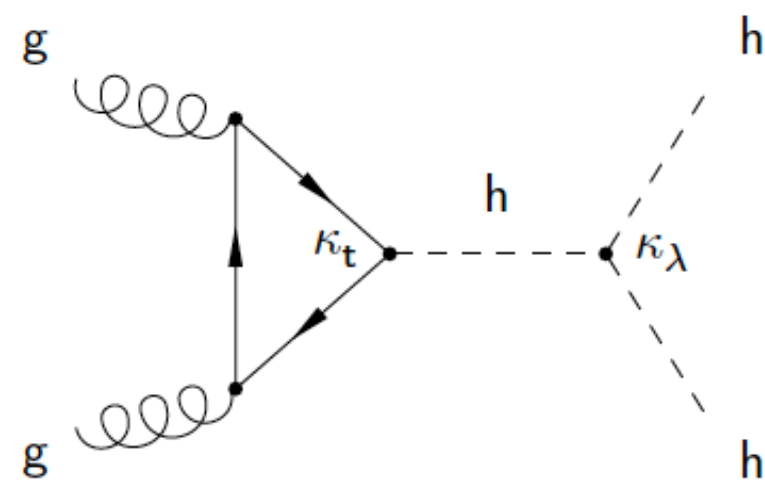
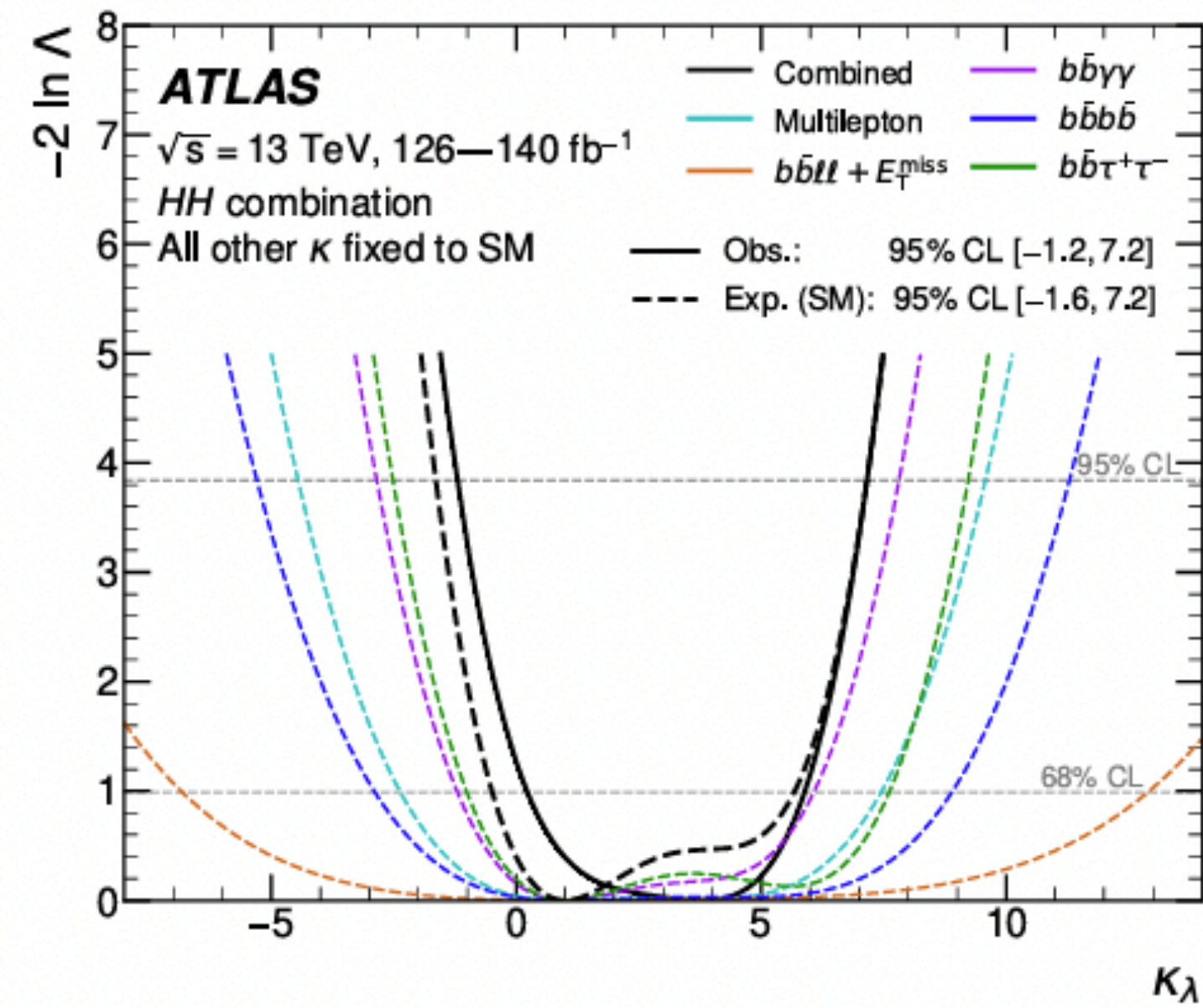
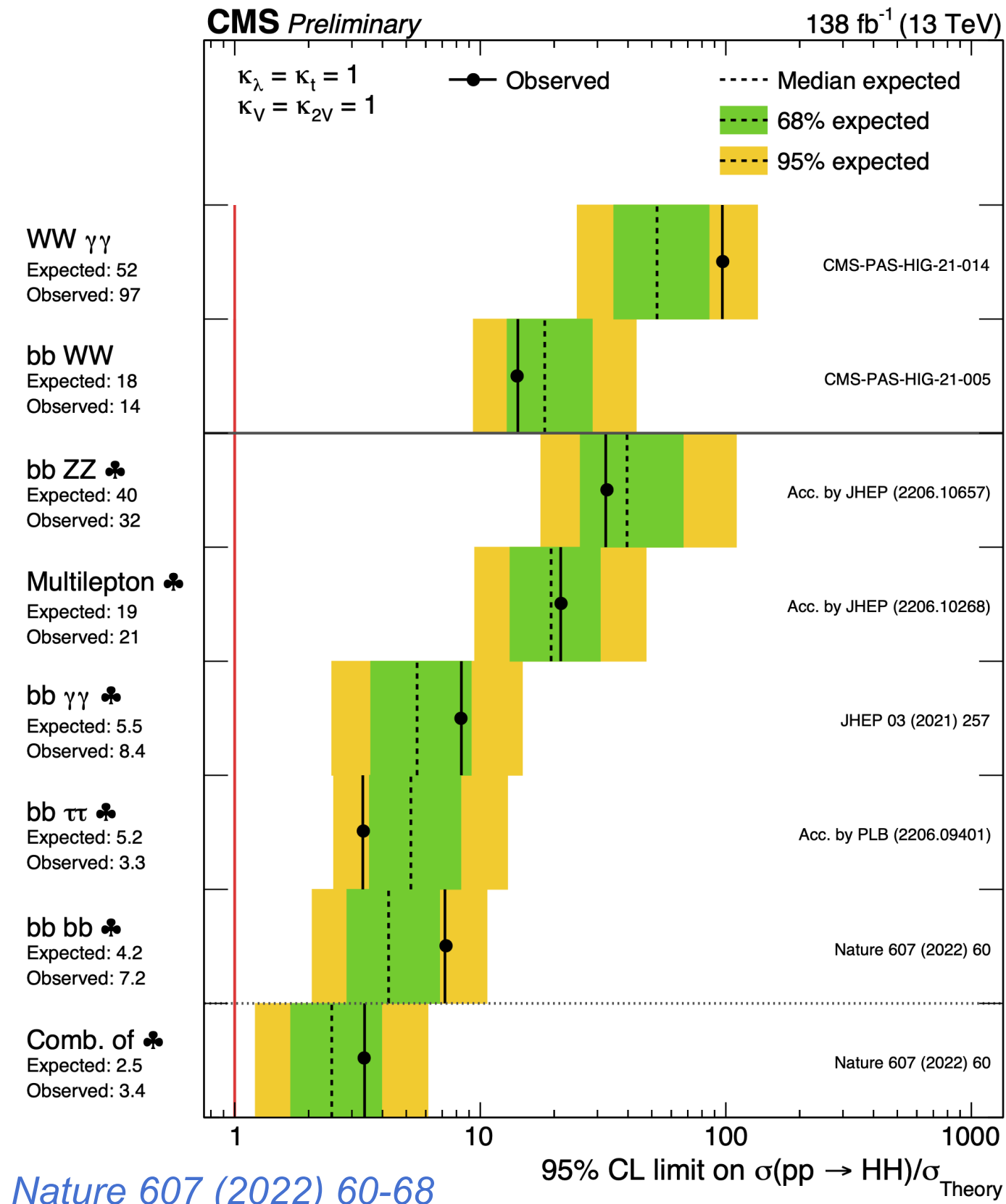


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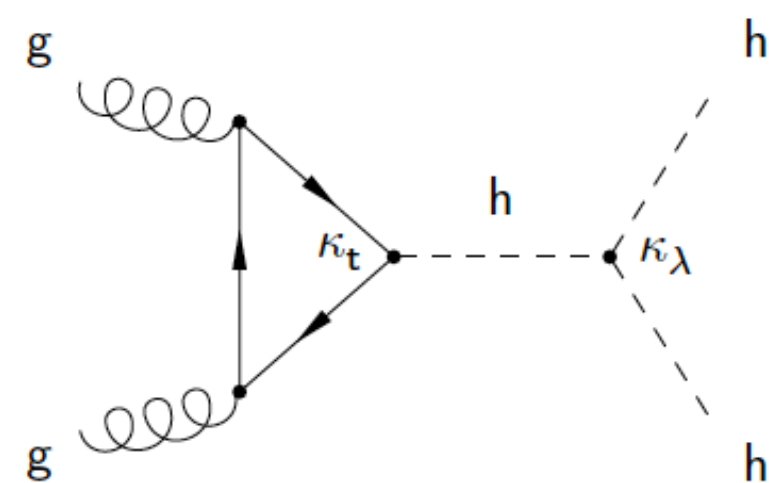
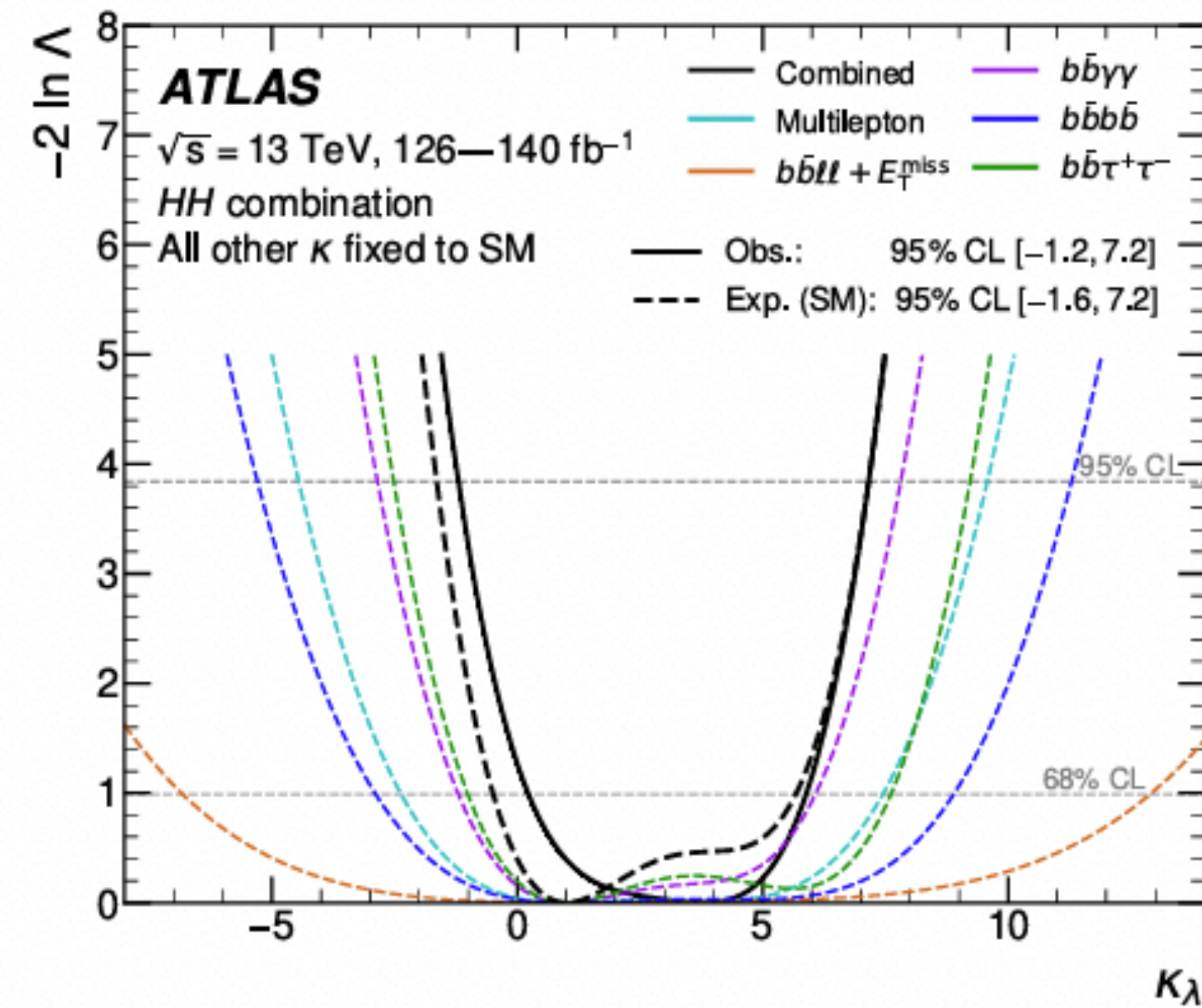
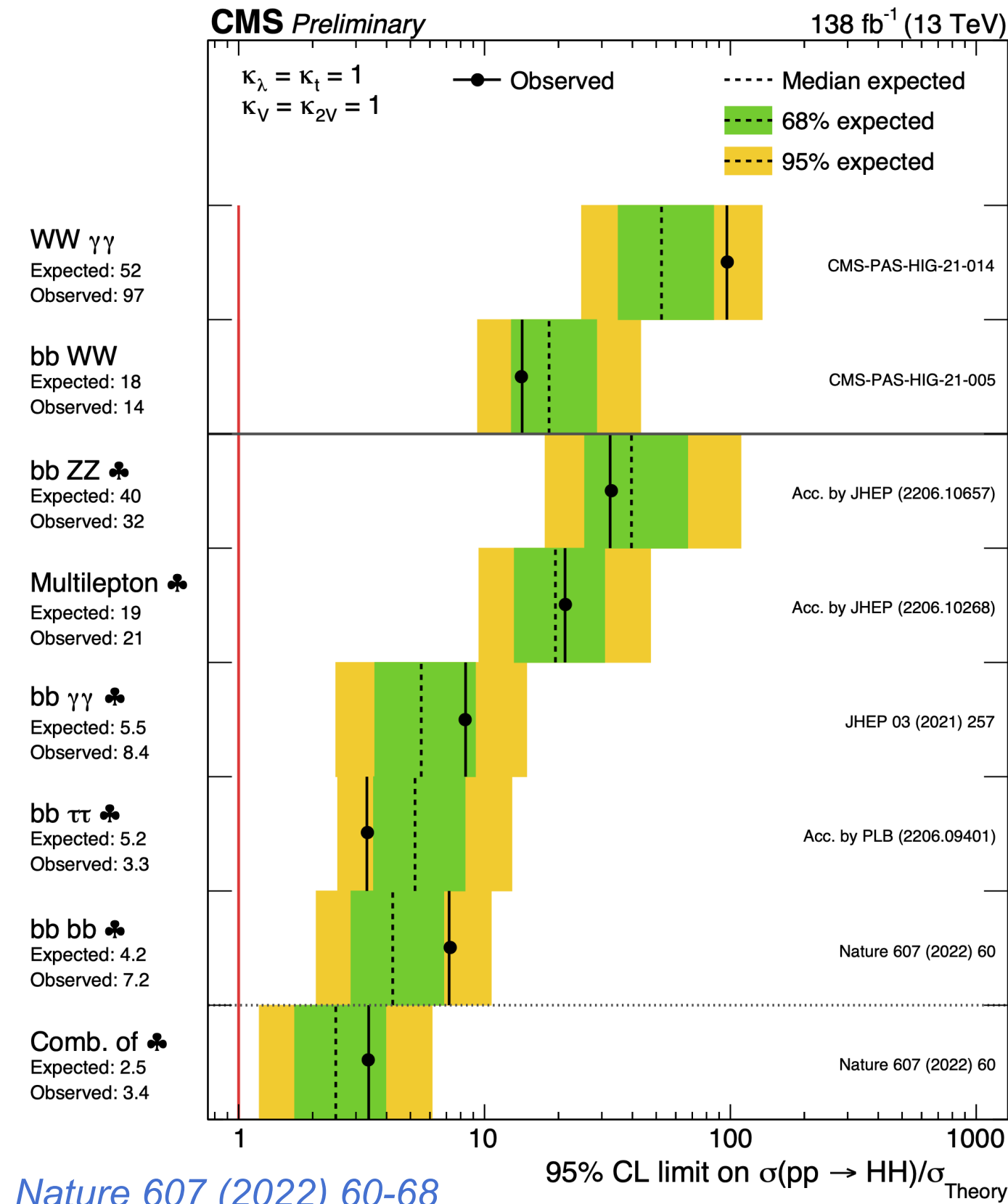
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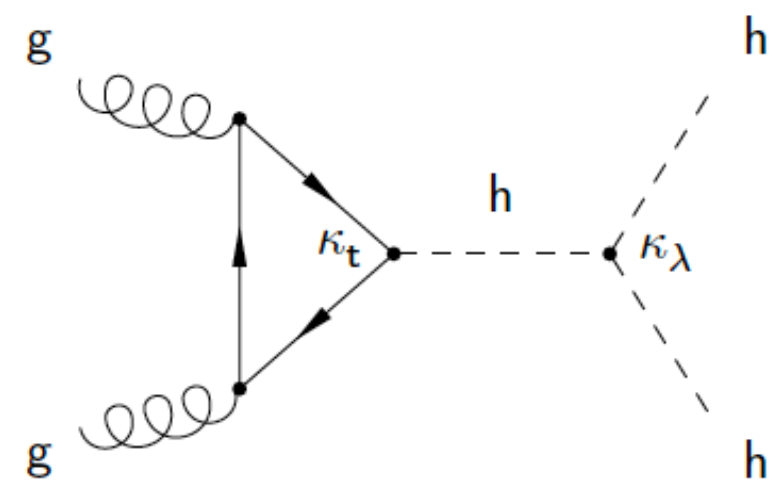
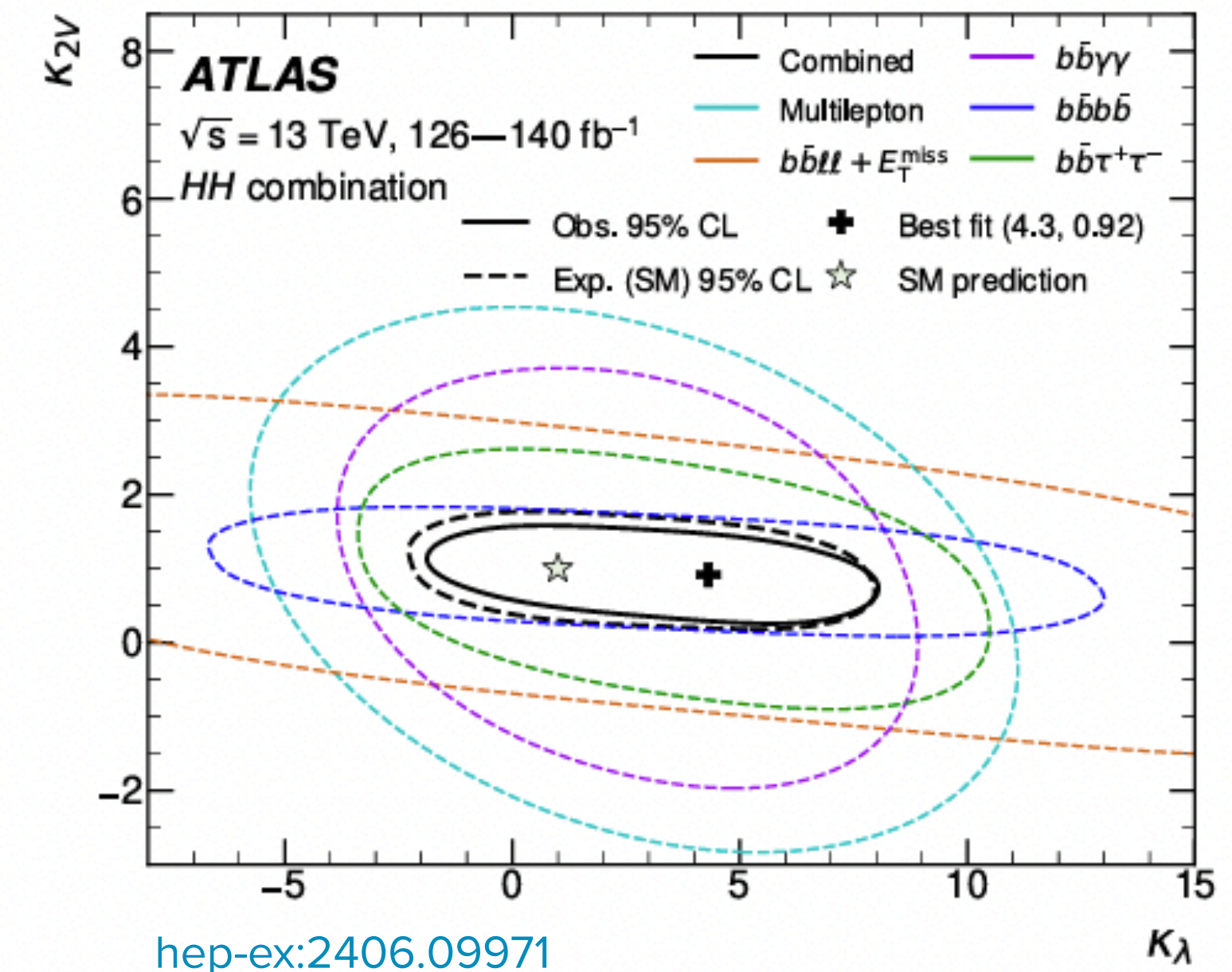
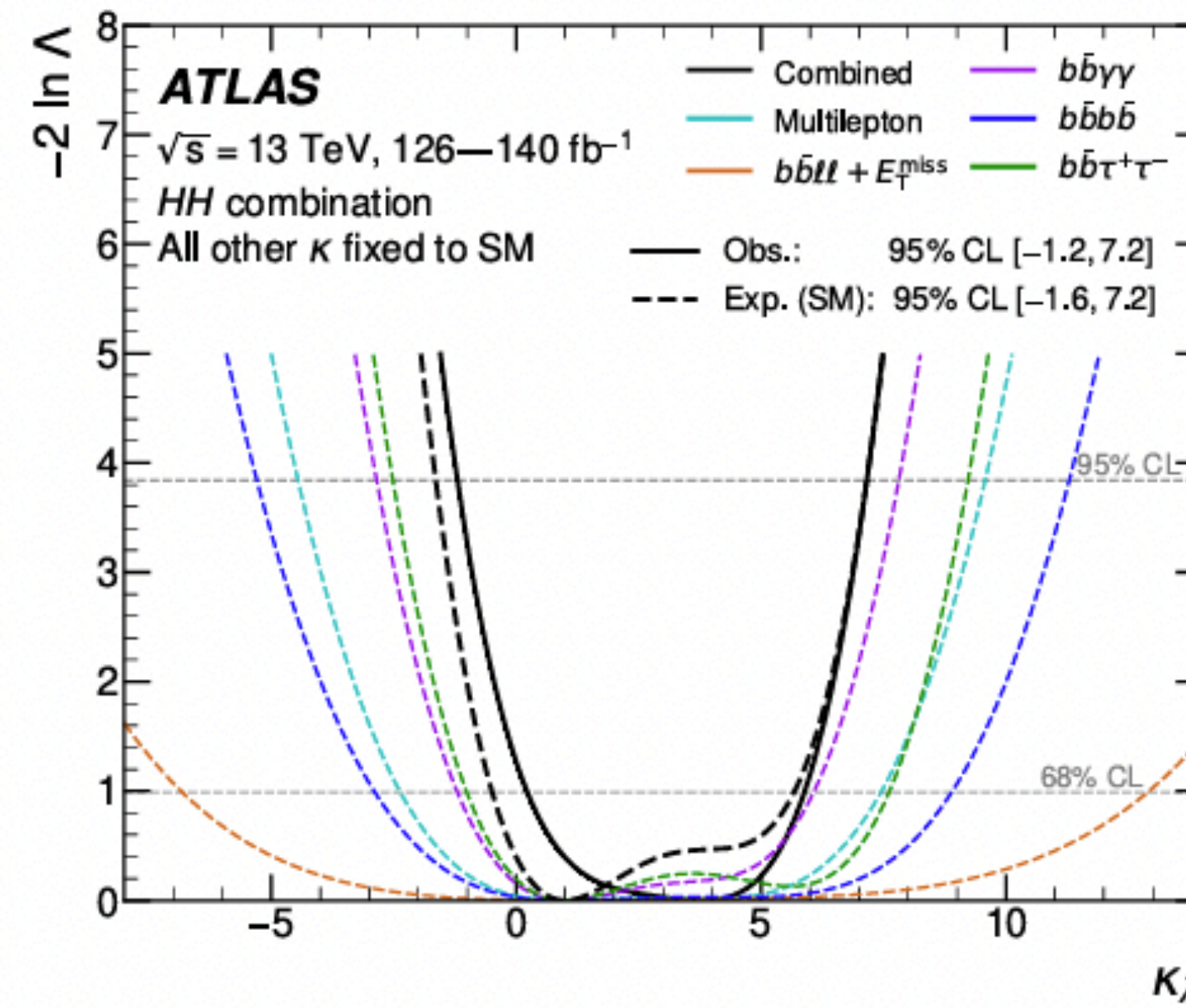
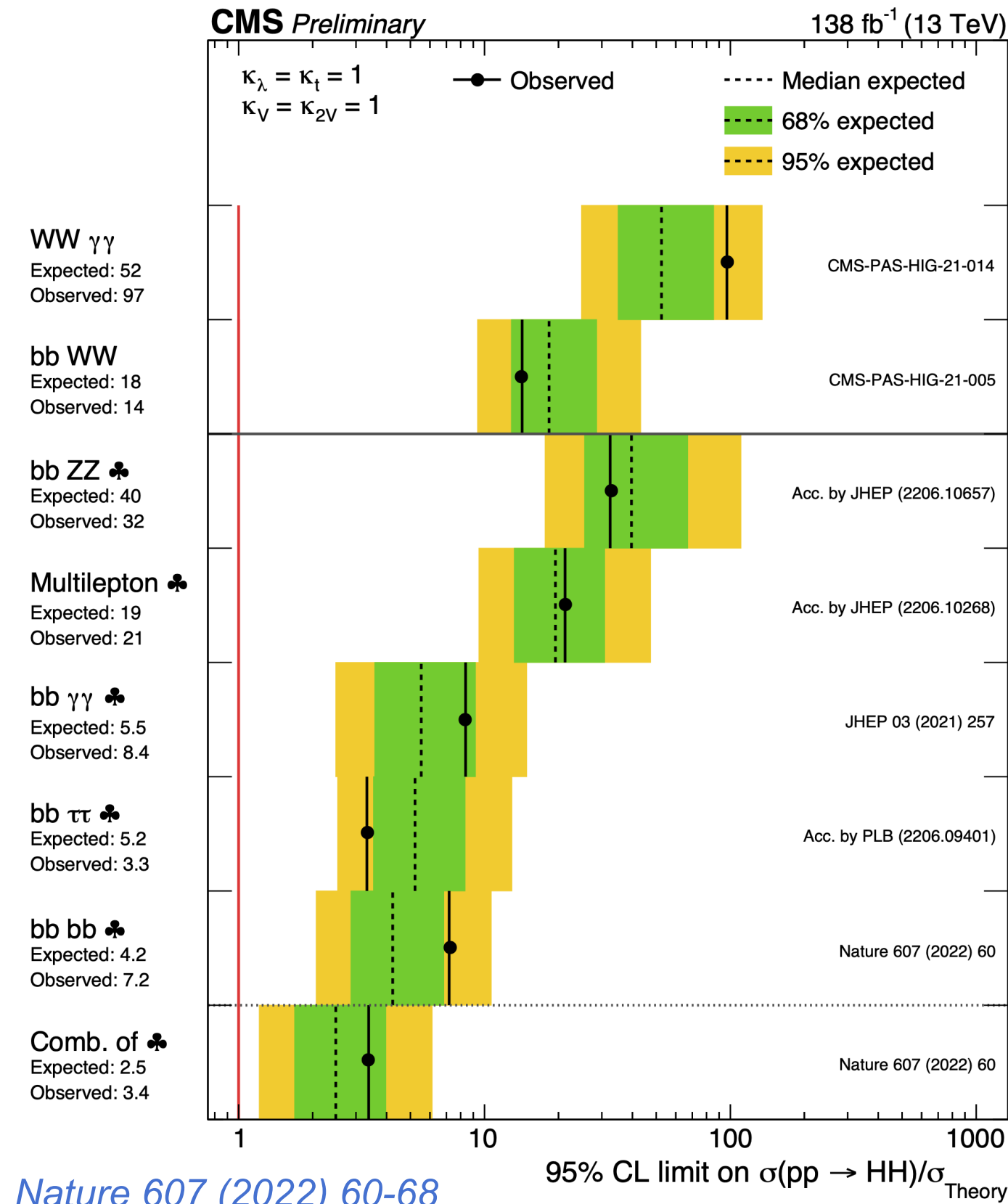


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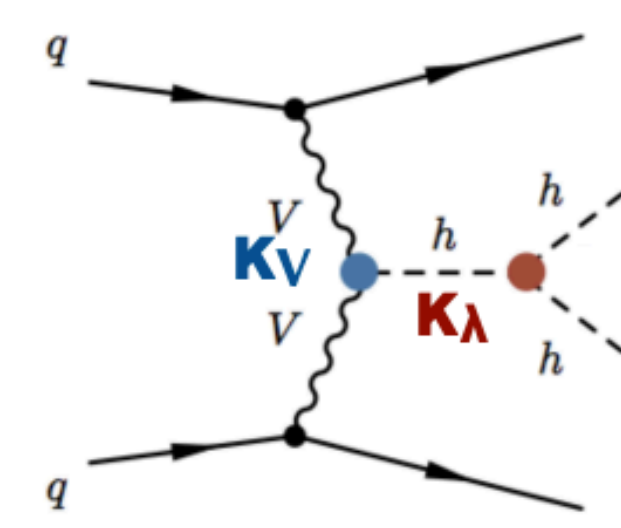
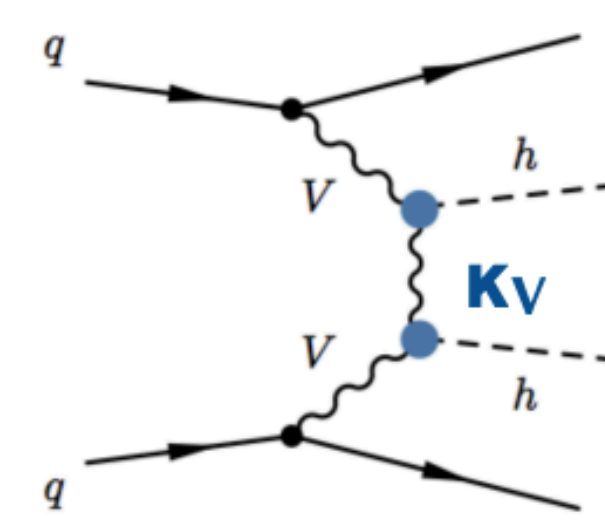
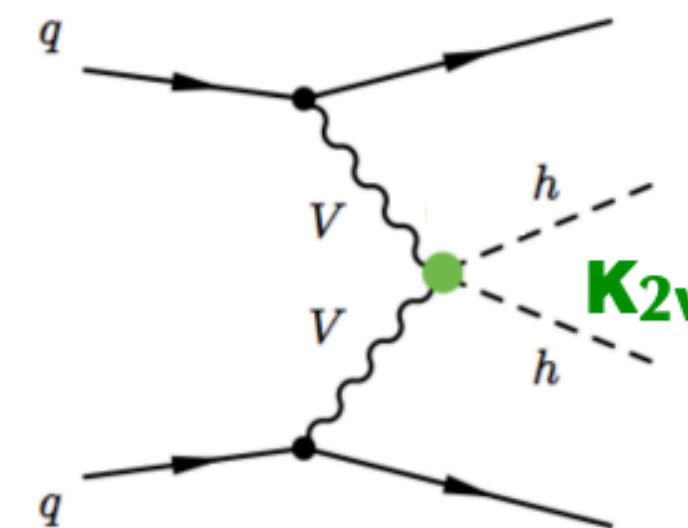


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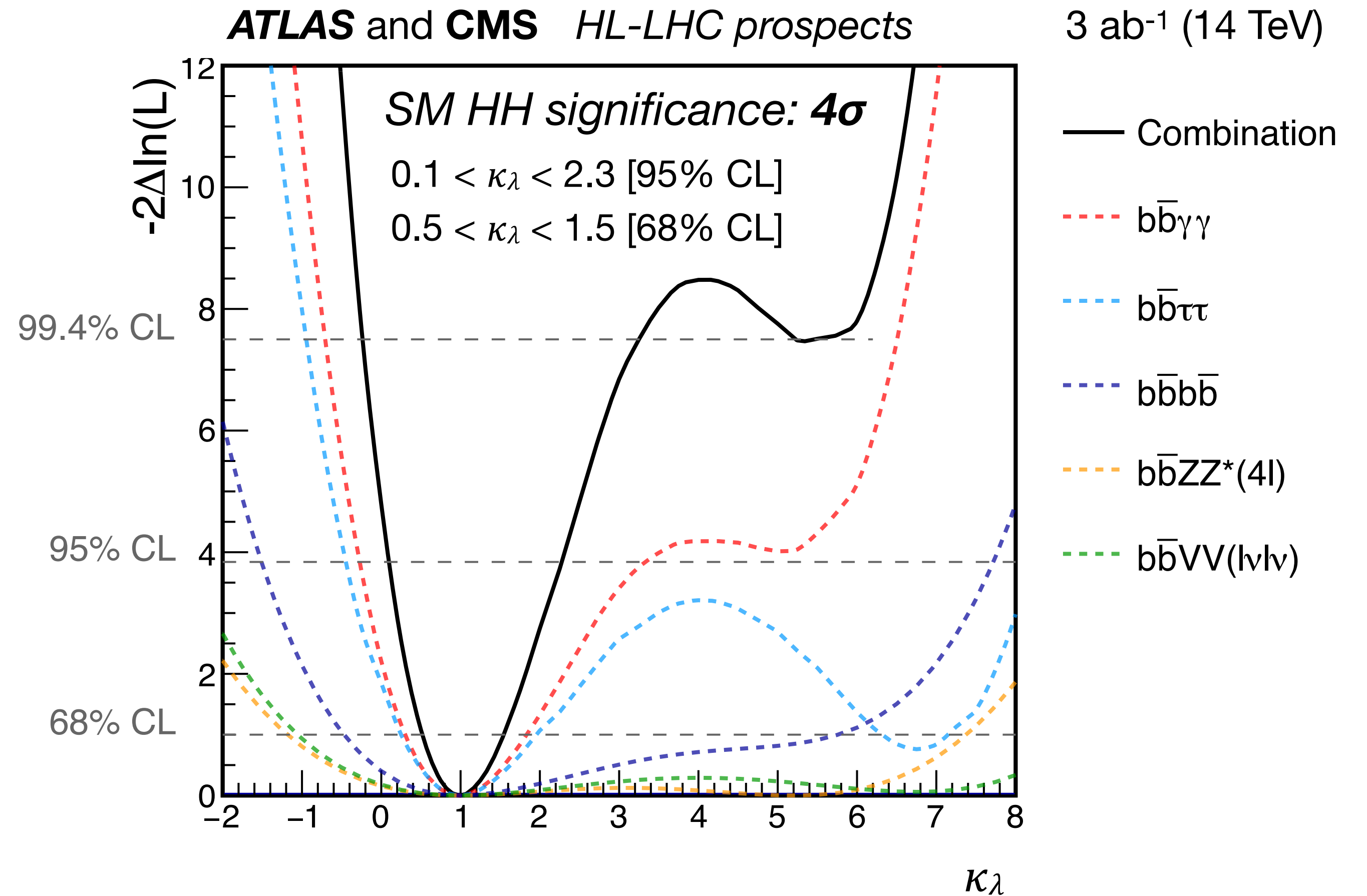
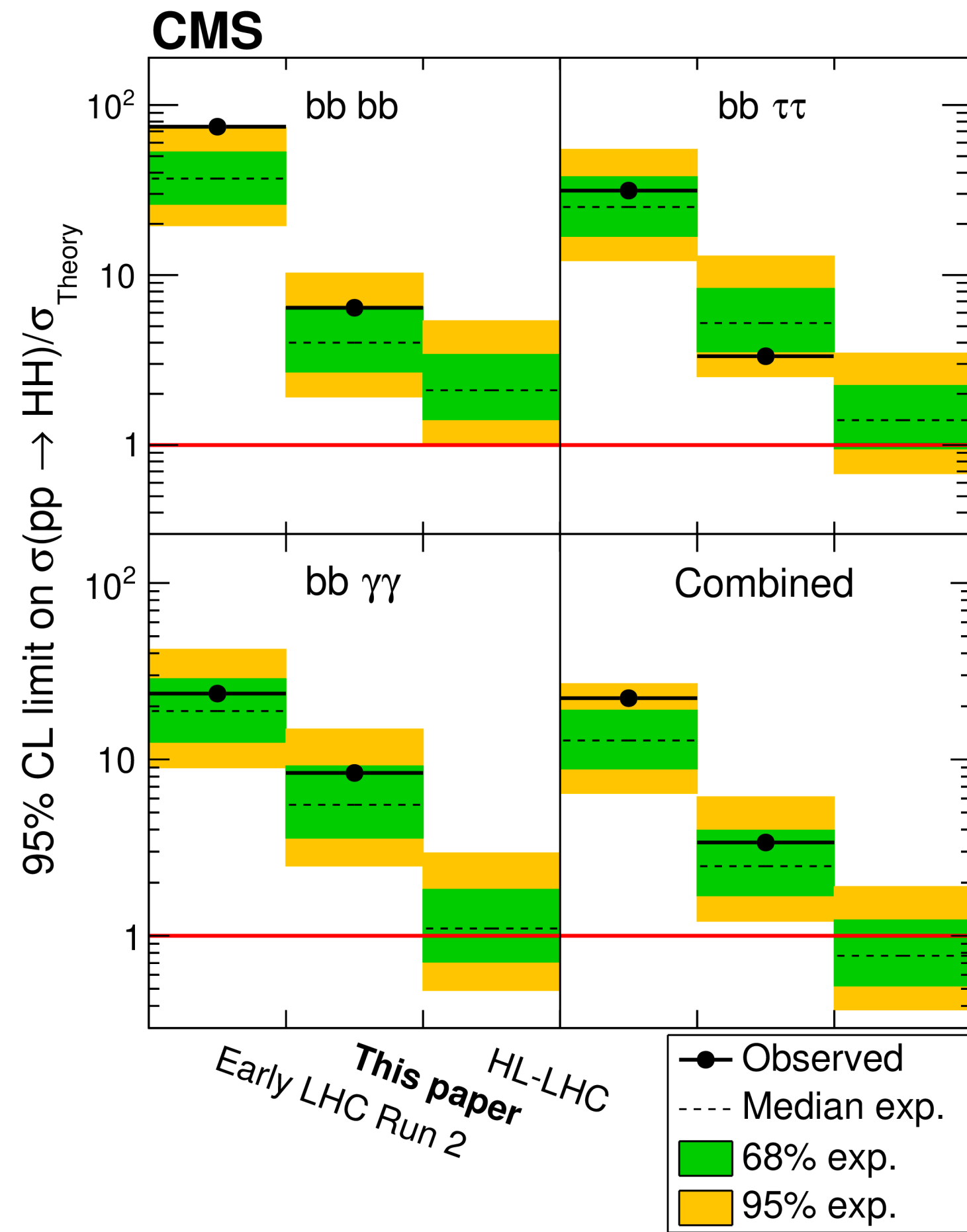
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# DIHIGGS: HL-LHC!



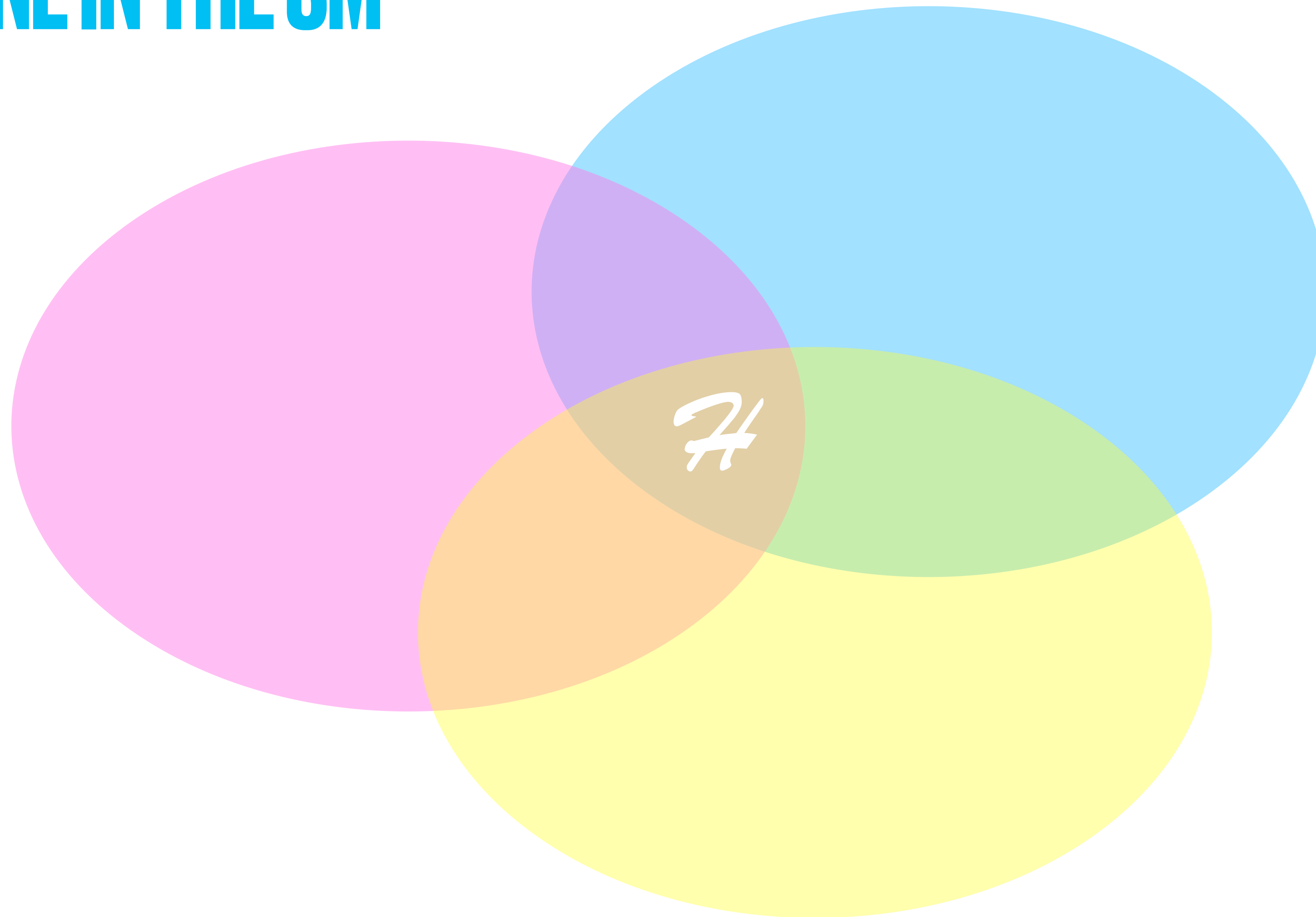
Combining the ATLAS and CMS results a significance of 4 standard deviation can be achieved at the end of the HL-LHC

[arXiv:1902.00134](https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.00134)



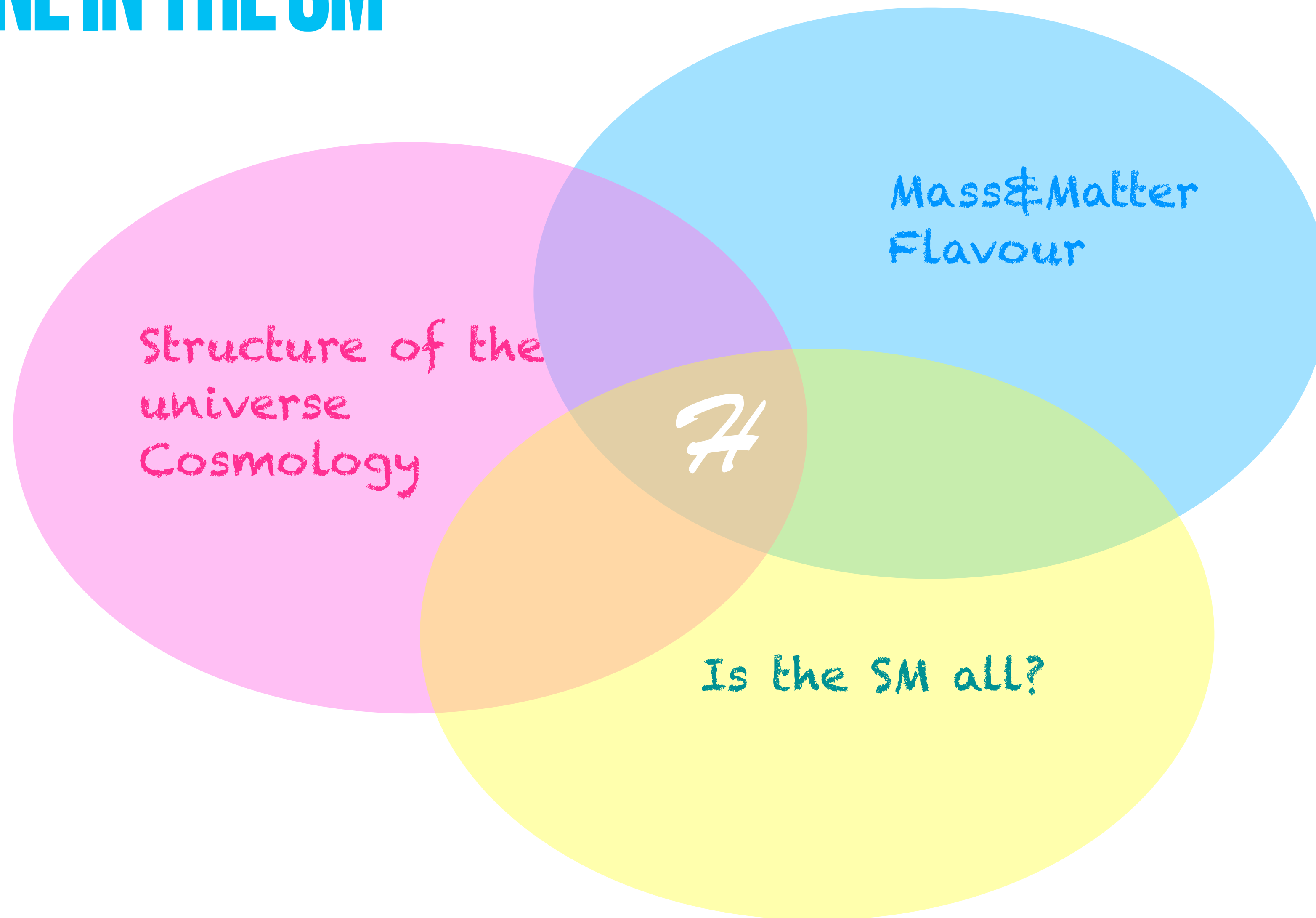
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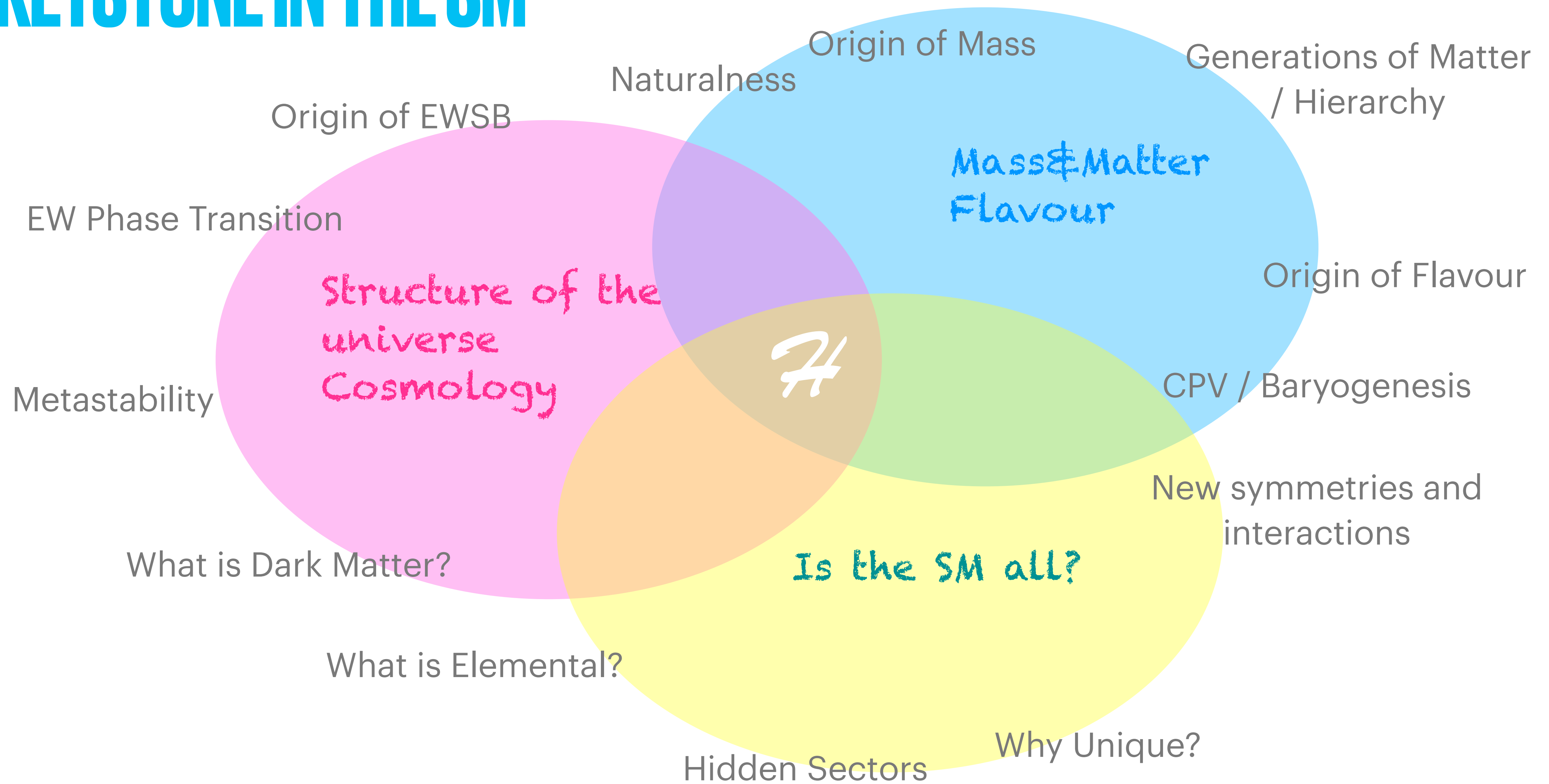


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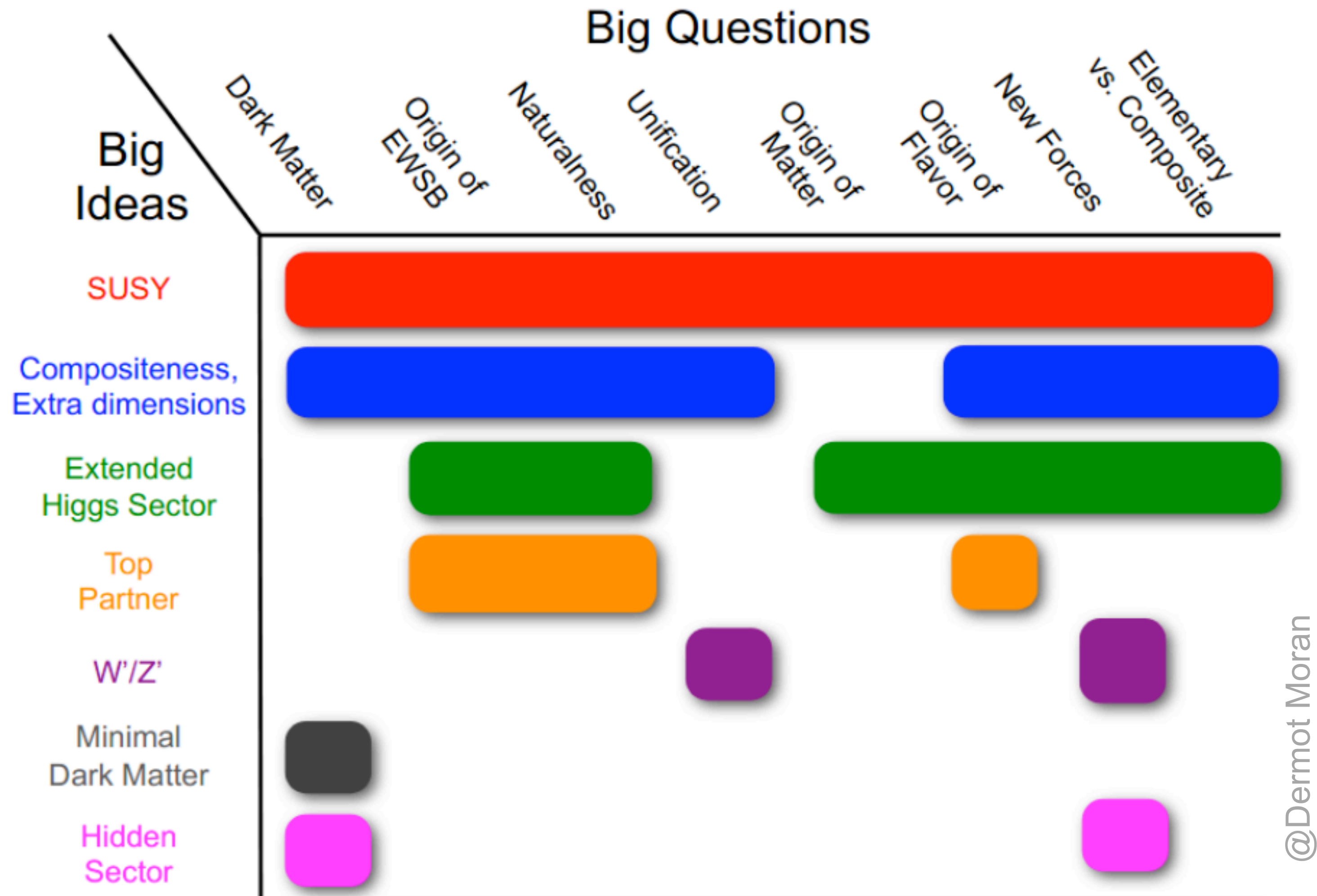
# HOW LONG CAN WE CONTINUE PATCHING THE SM?

- As you know, the SM is paradoxical: it is extraordinarily successful in describing and quantifying the universe... and at the same time we know it is not the 'final theory': structural problems (experimental observations, theoretical inconsistencies):
  - Origin of Mass: 3 Generations of Matter, Mass hierarchy
  - (Meta)stability of the universe
  - Matter/Antimatter Asymmetry, Baryogenesis
  - Neutrino masses and the flavor puzzle
  - Dark Matter
  - Dark Energy
  - Gravity, unification of forces
- **Synergy and complementarity are keys to understand the problems of the SM**
- The LHC is capable of attacking many of these problems





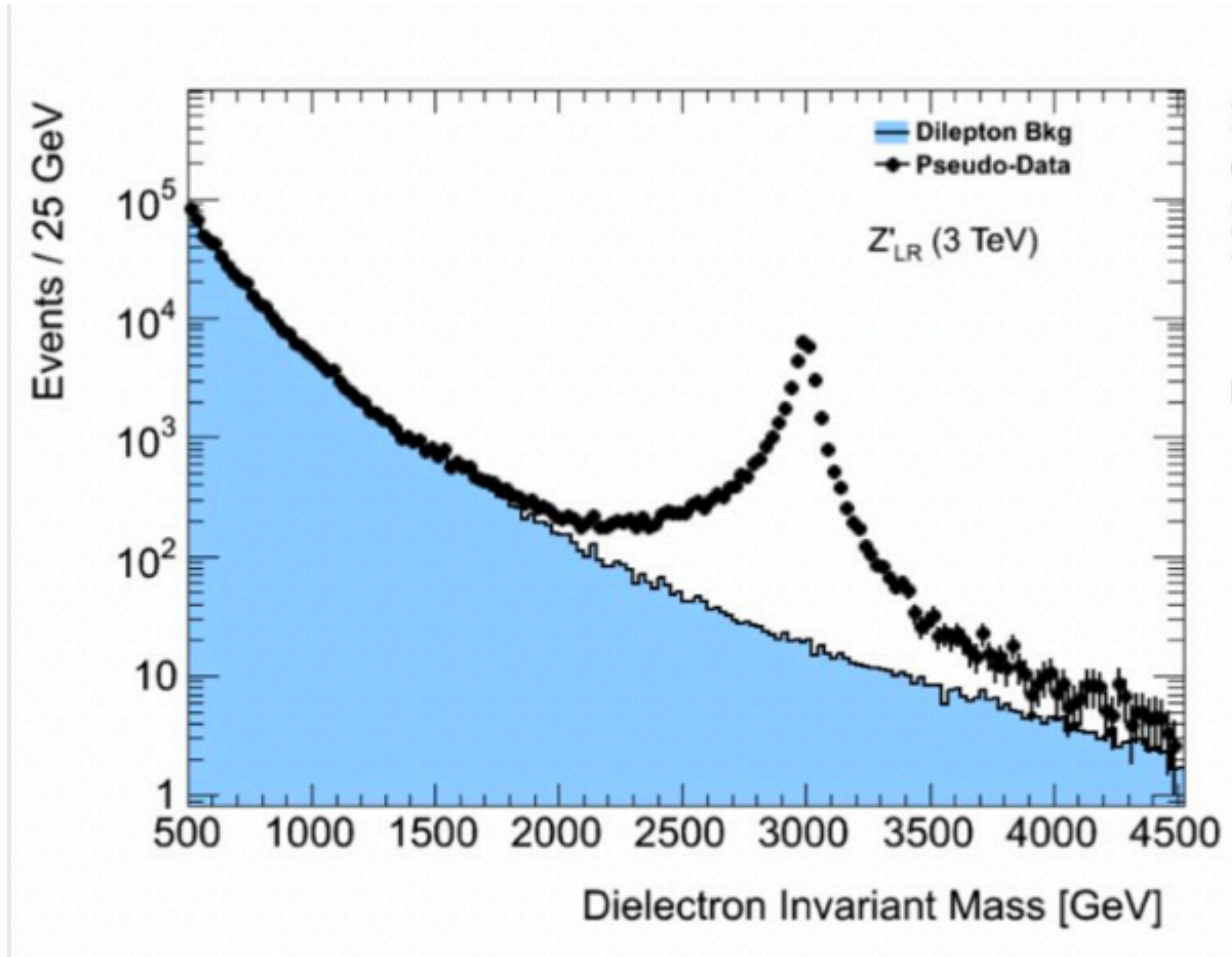
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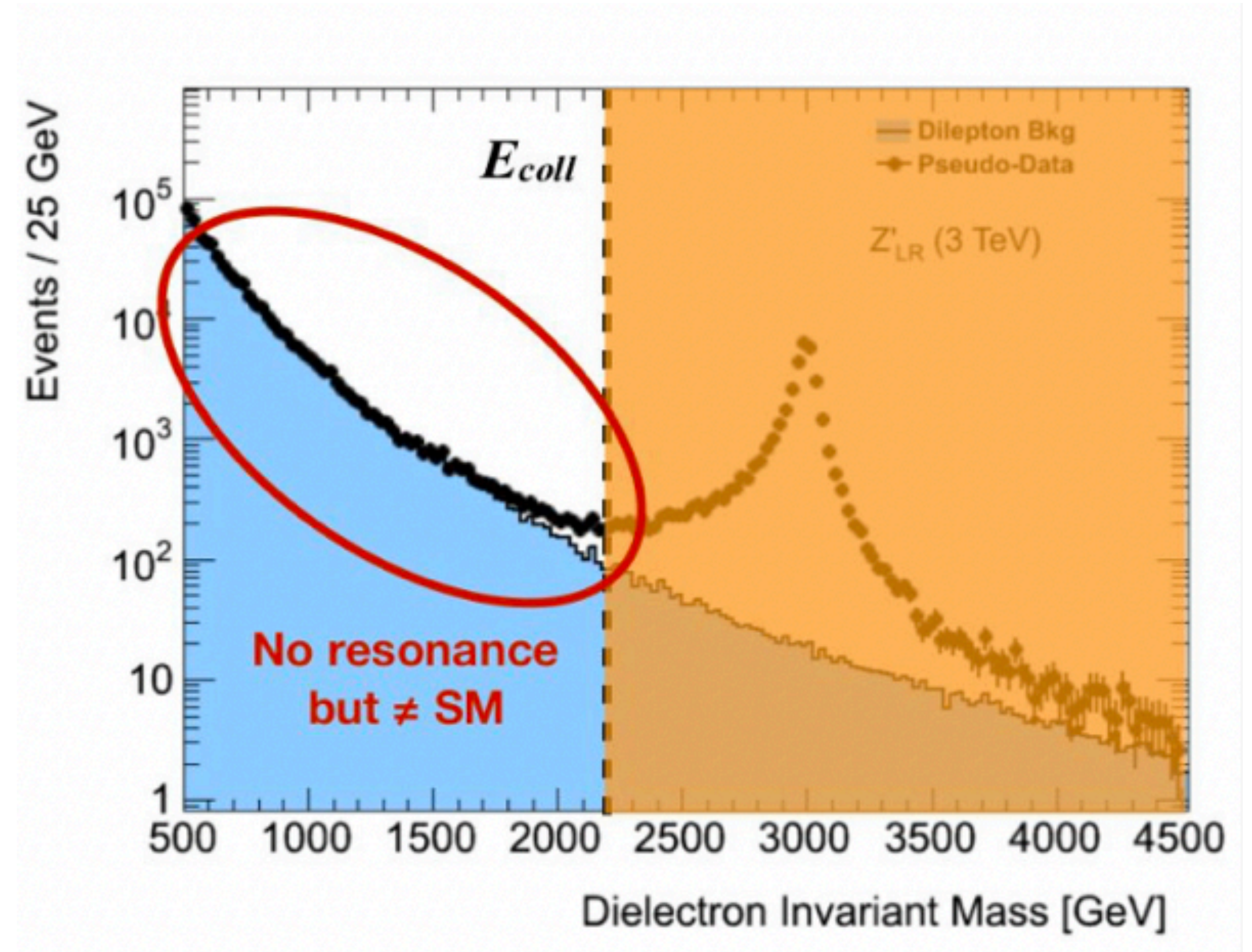
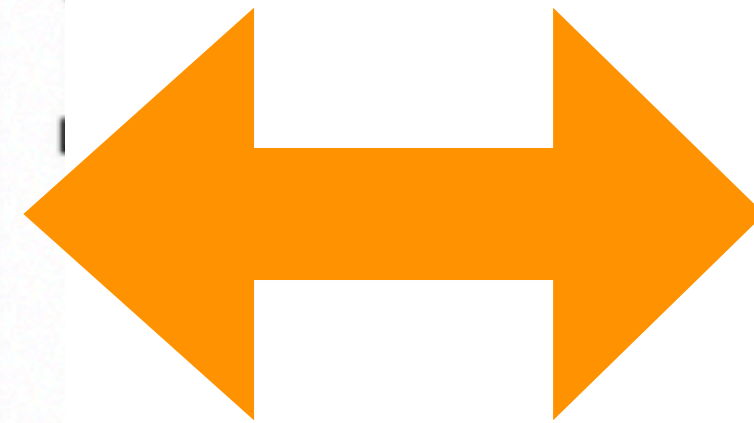
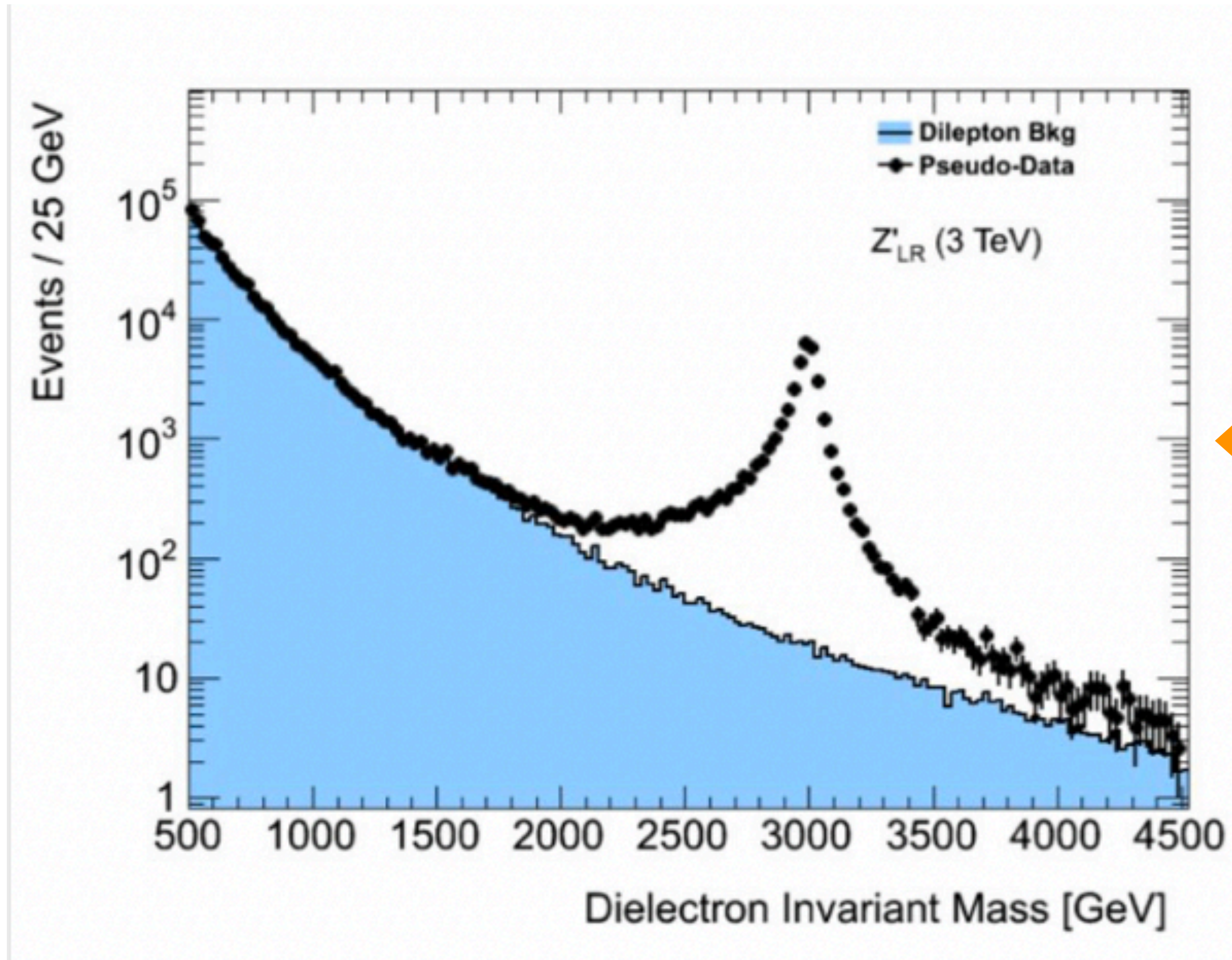
— Out of the many extensions of the SM out there, almost all of them predict either new particles at the TeV scale (‘visible’ at the LHC) or deformations of SM that we would see in our precision measurements

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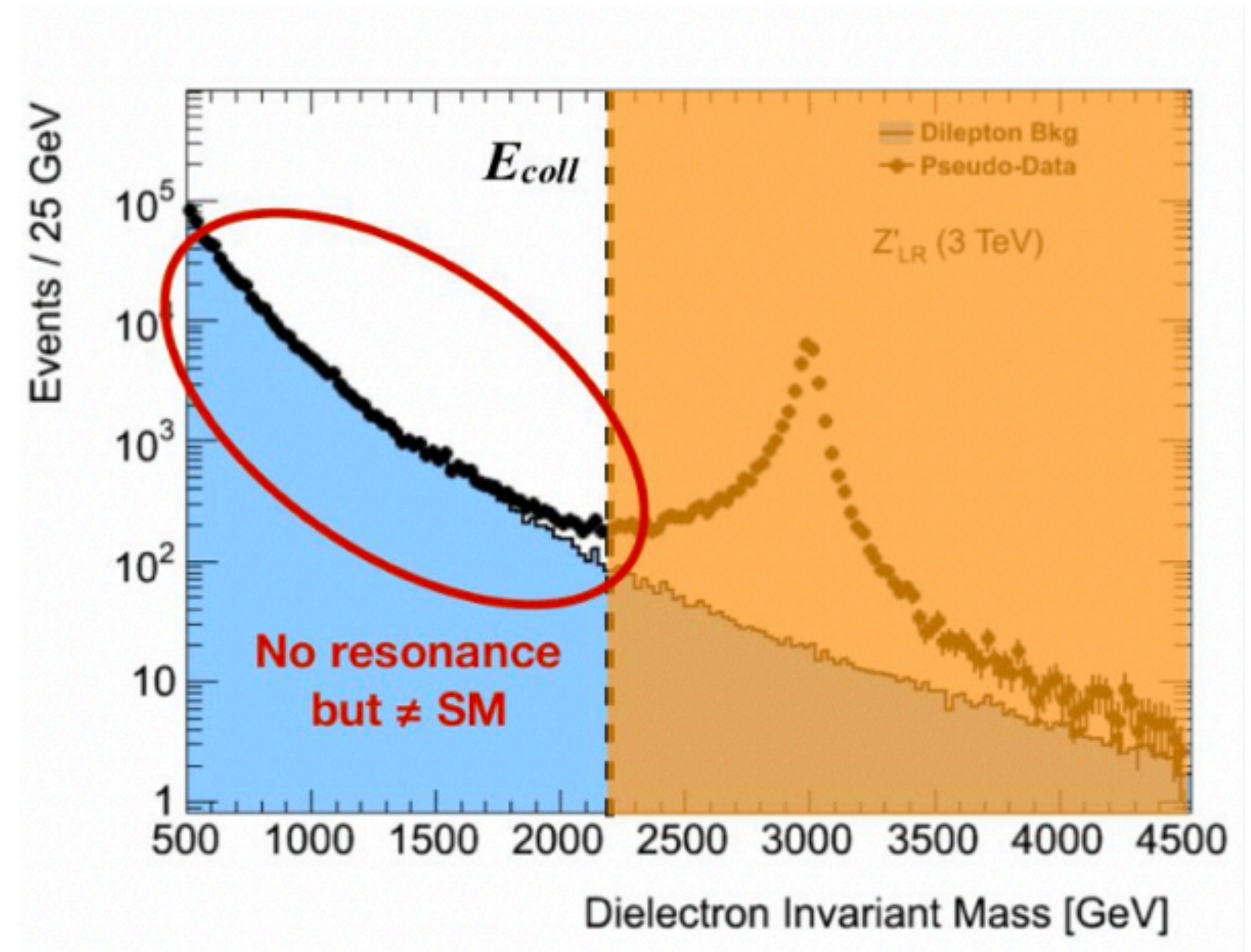
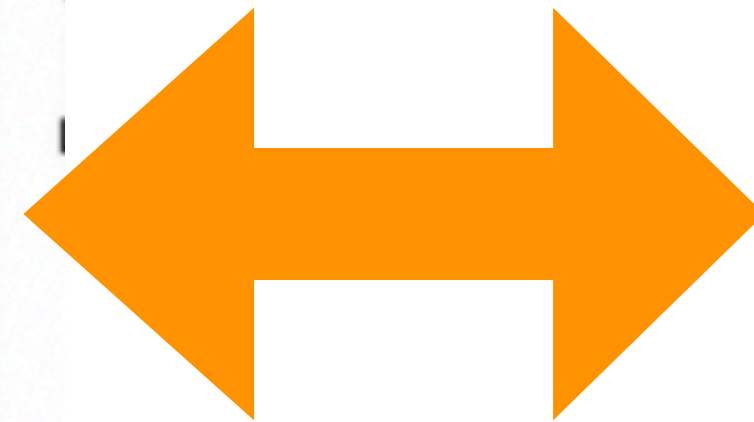
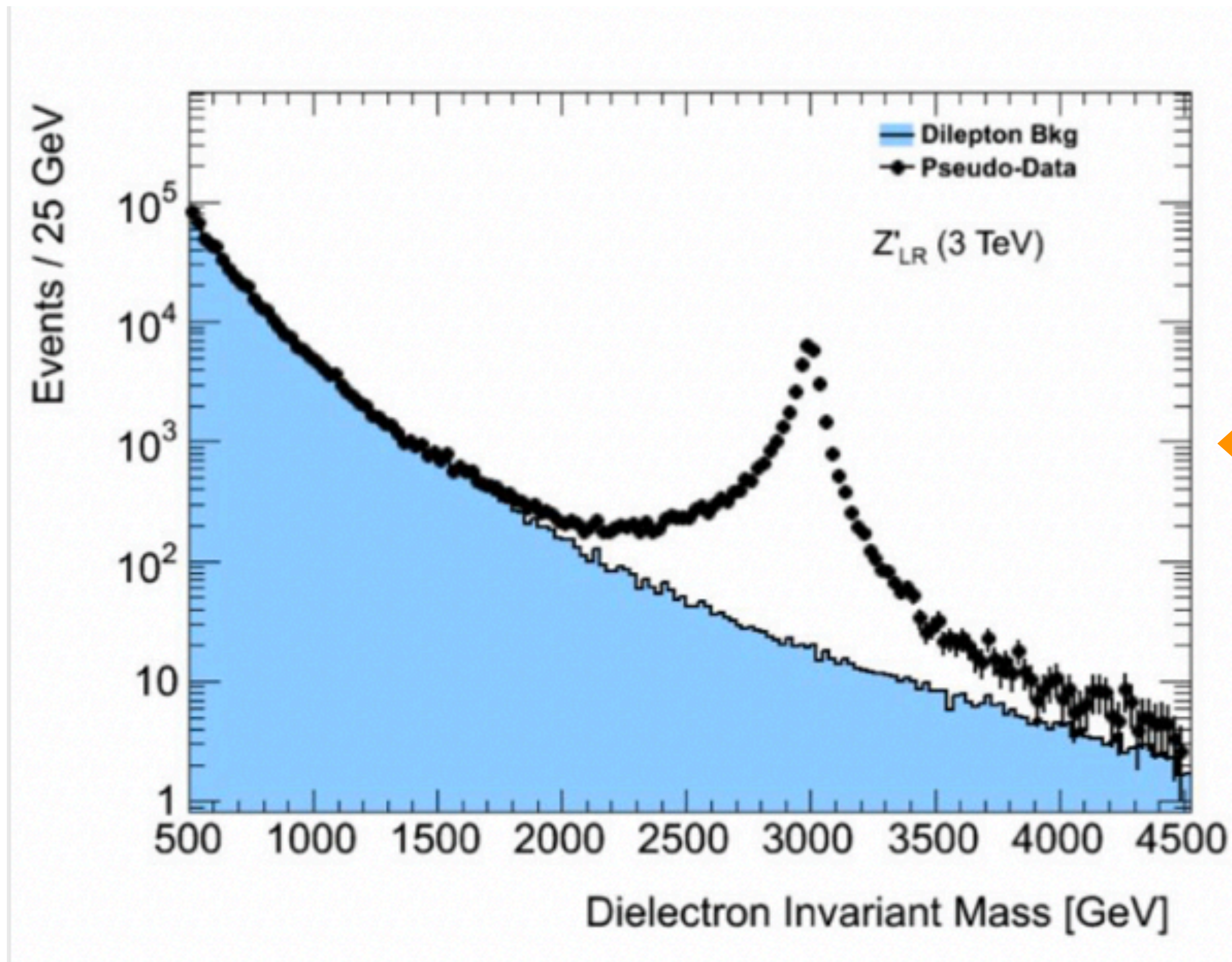


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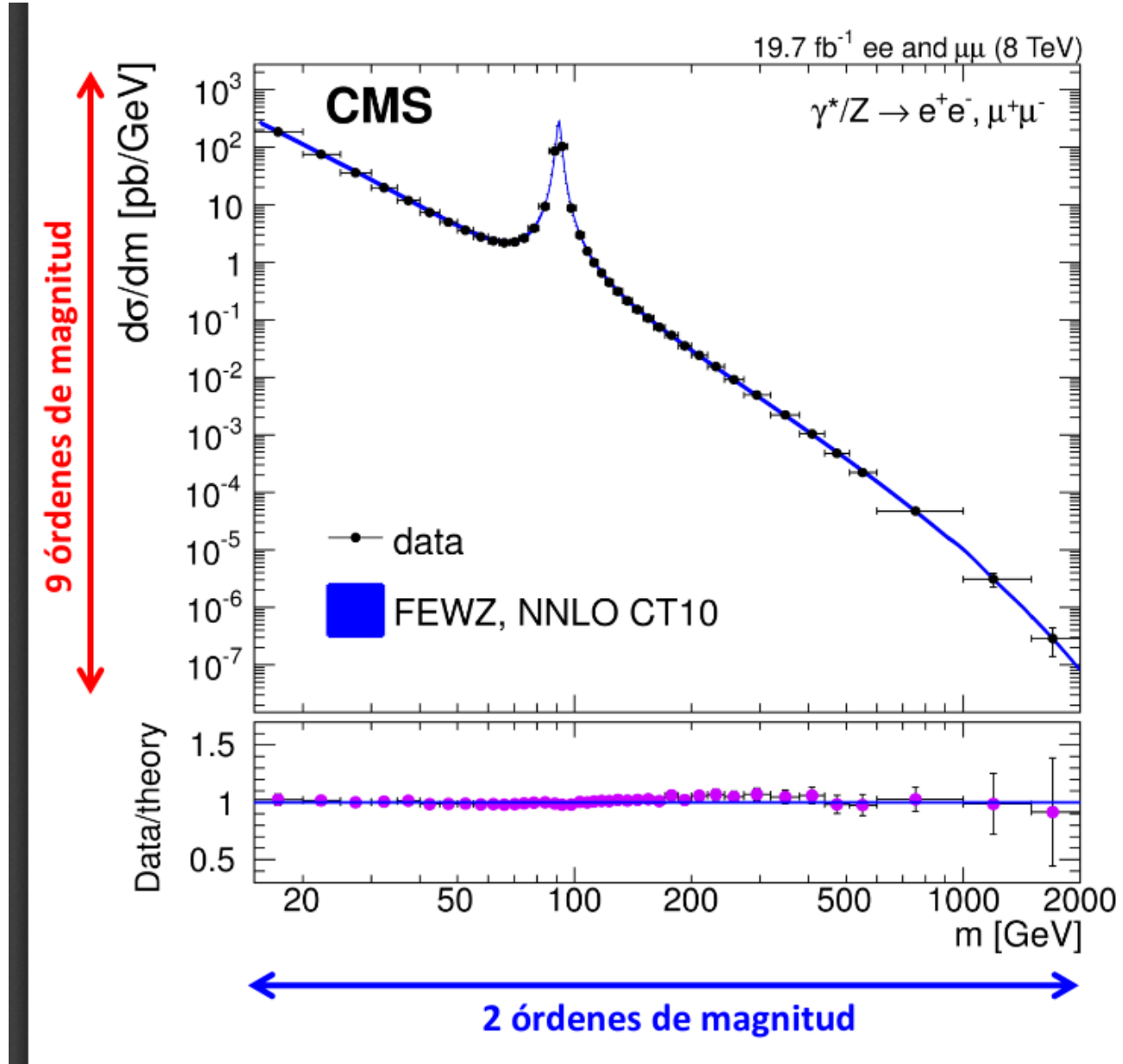
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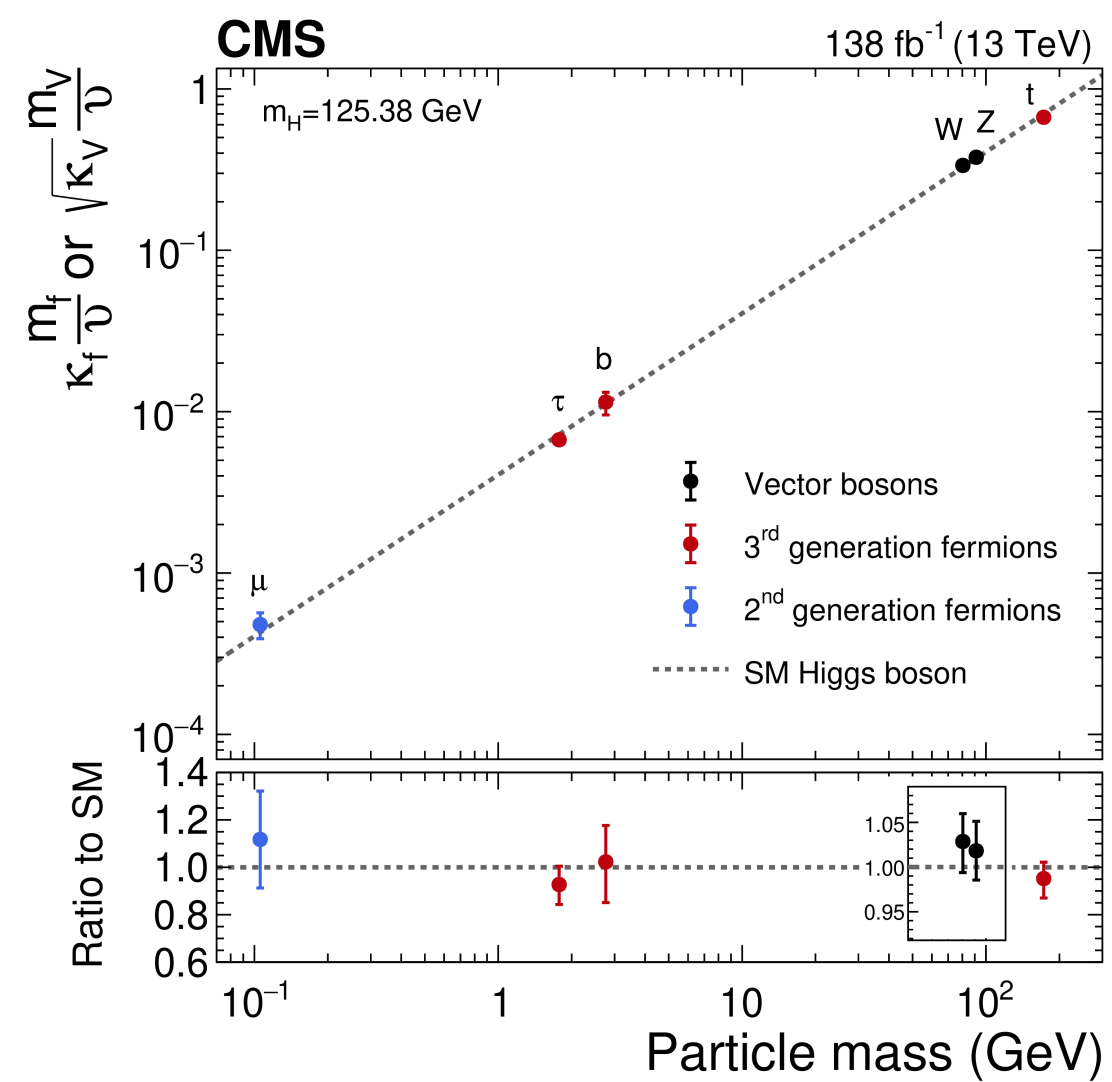
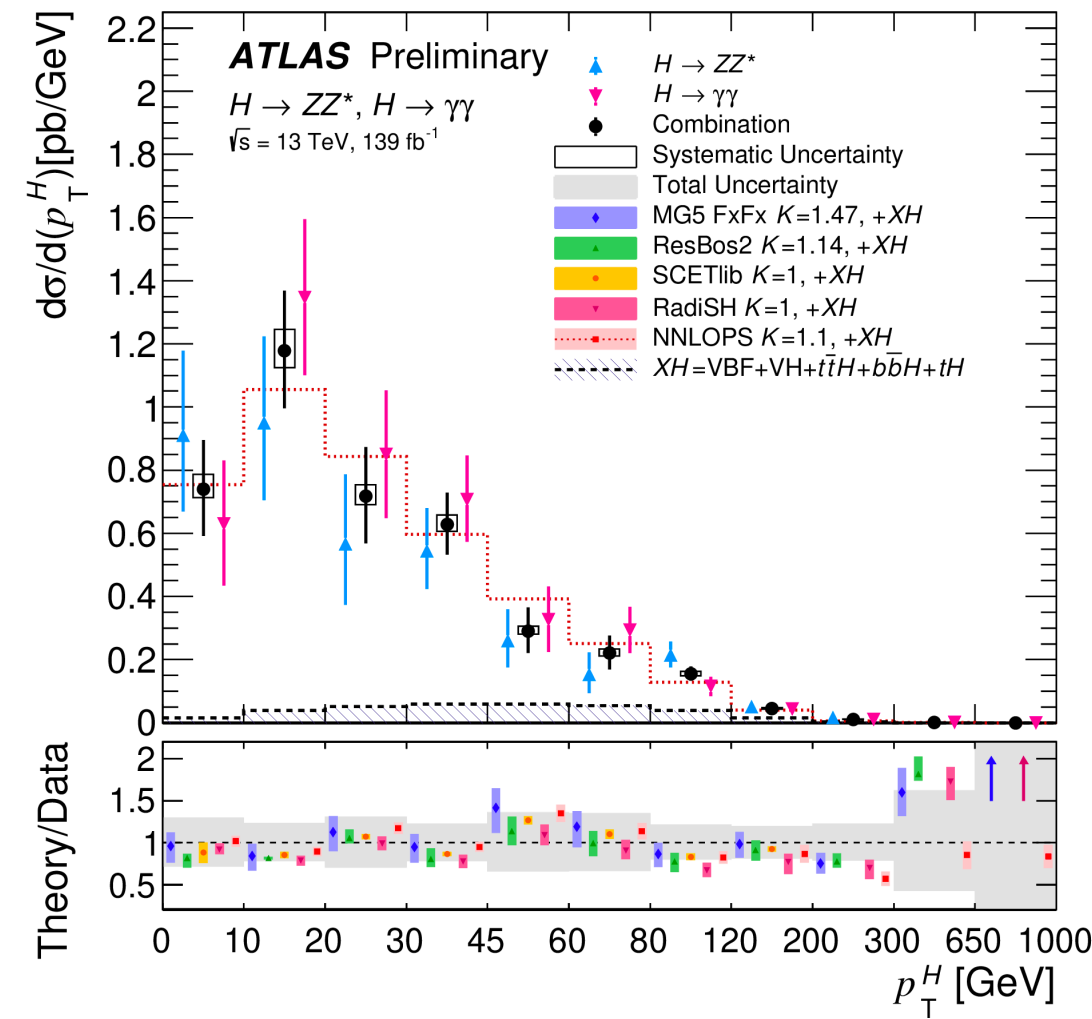
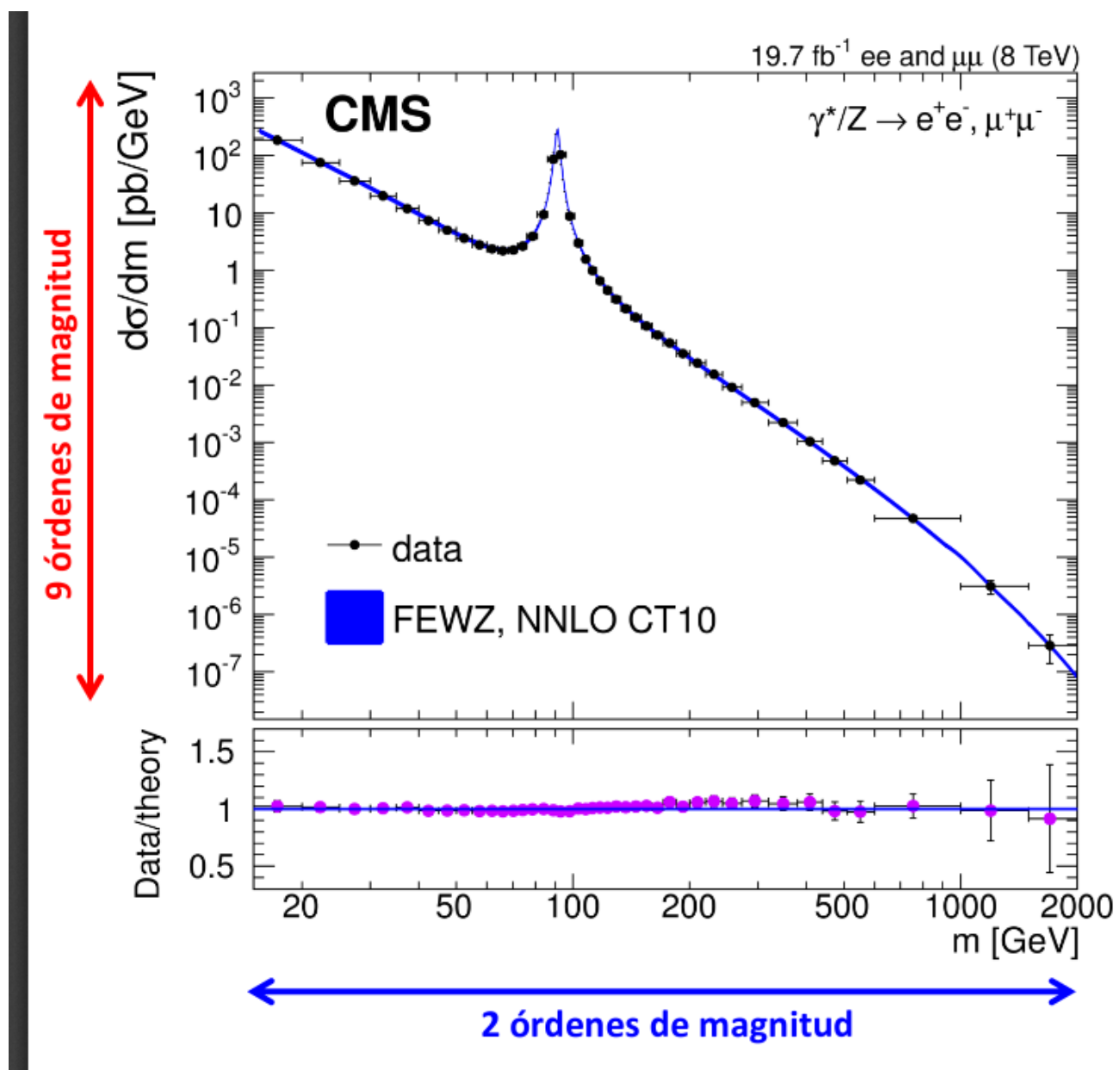
- ✗ Direct: look for a peak / resonance
- ✗ Indirect: deviation vs prediction on a well understood observable



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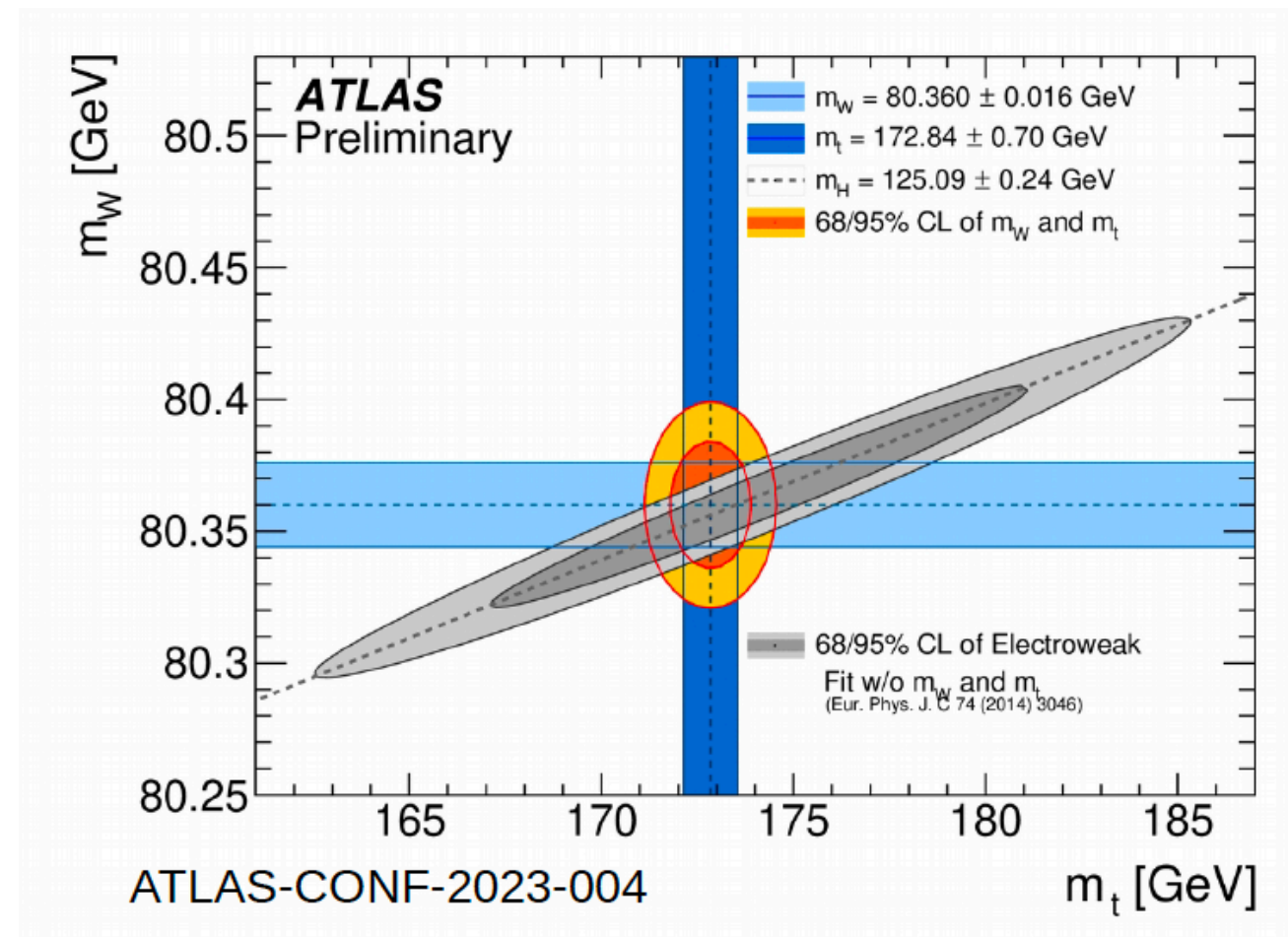
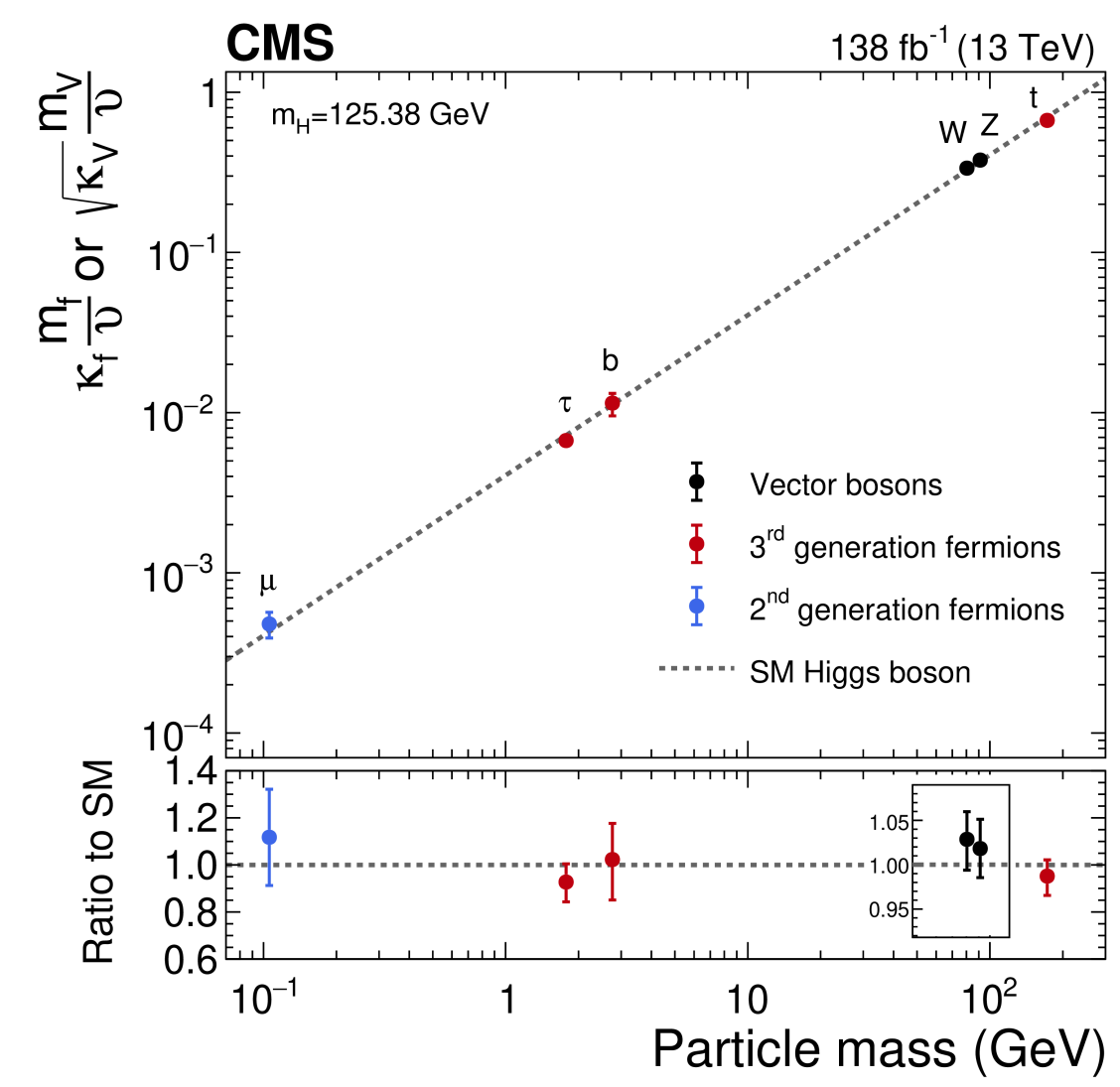
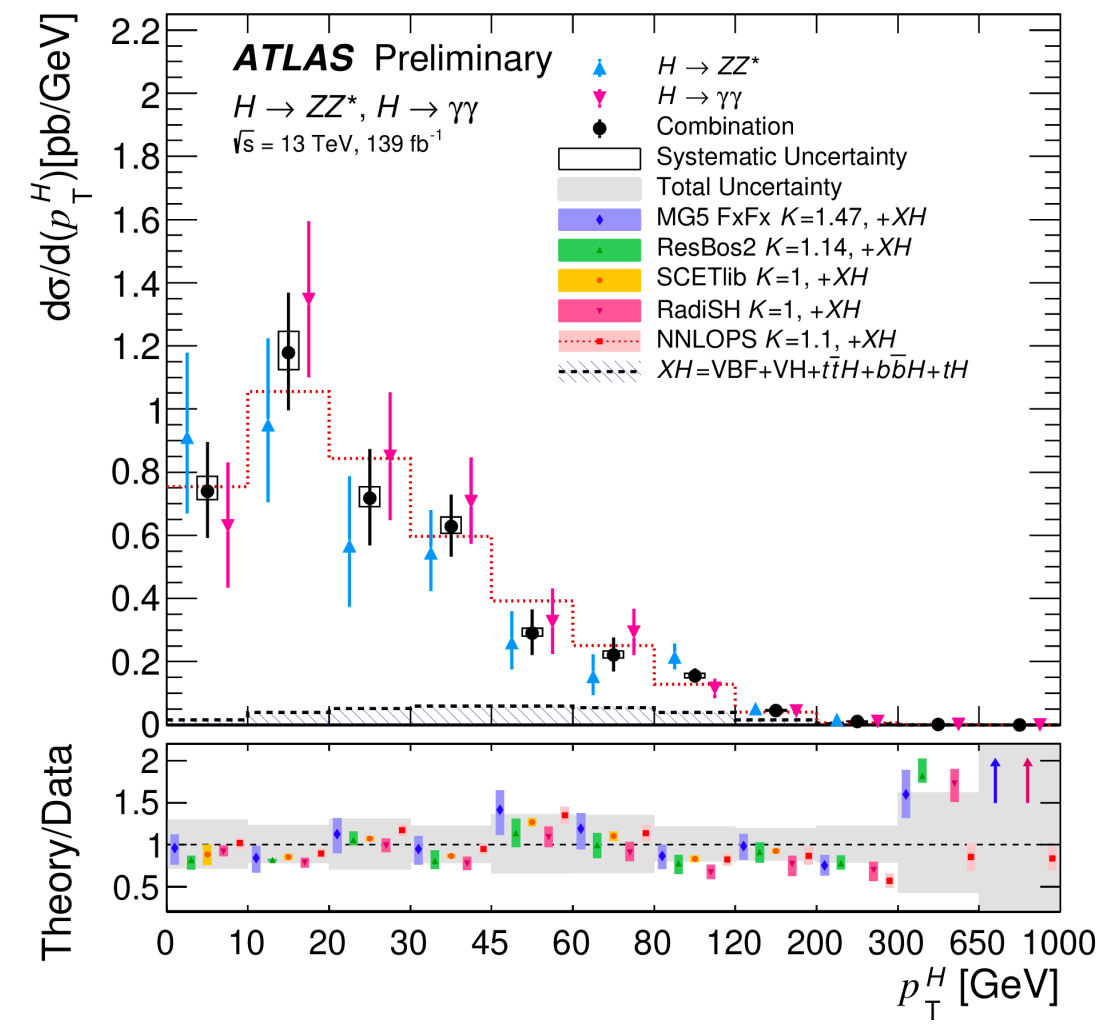
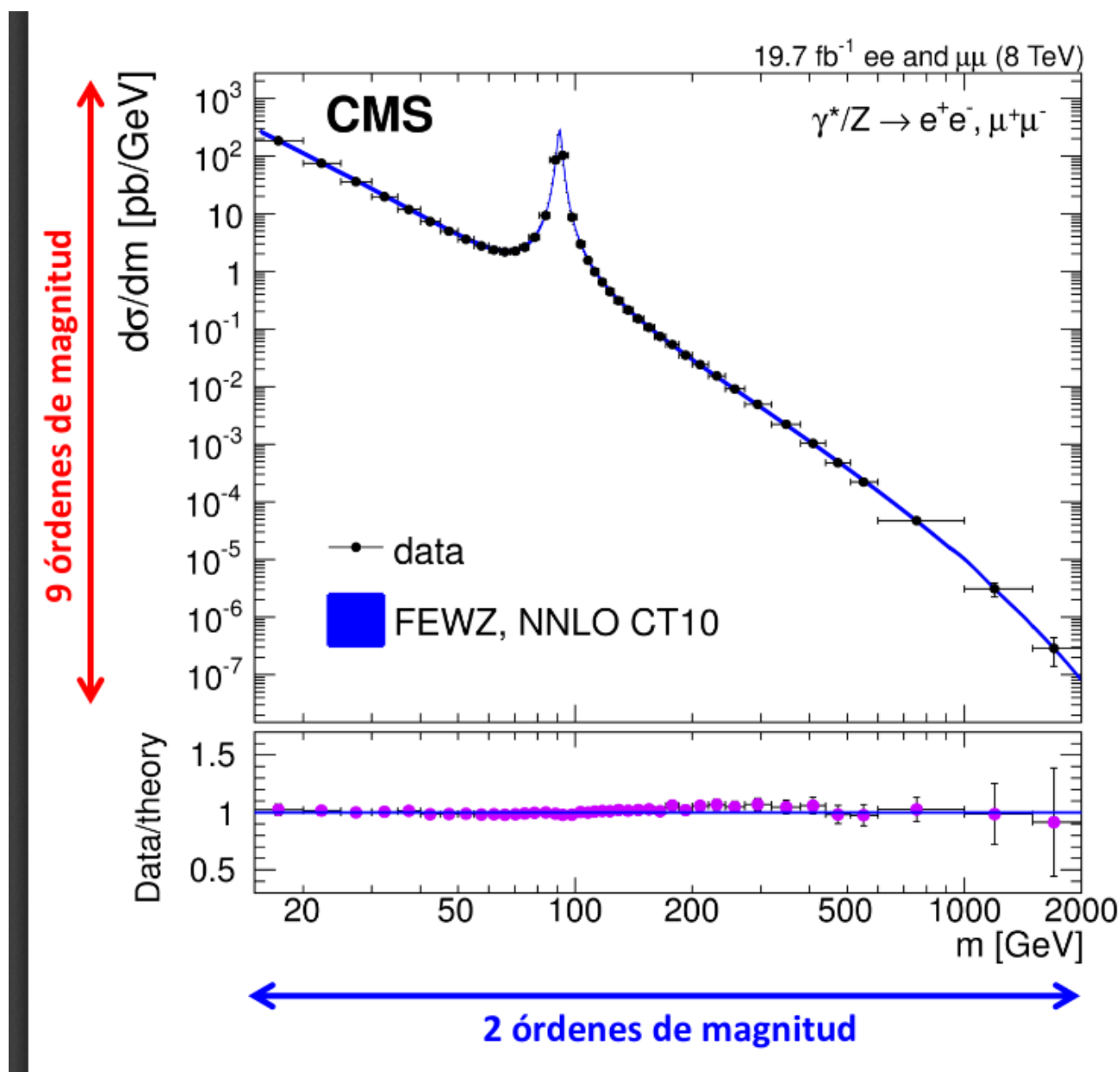


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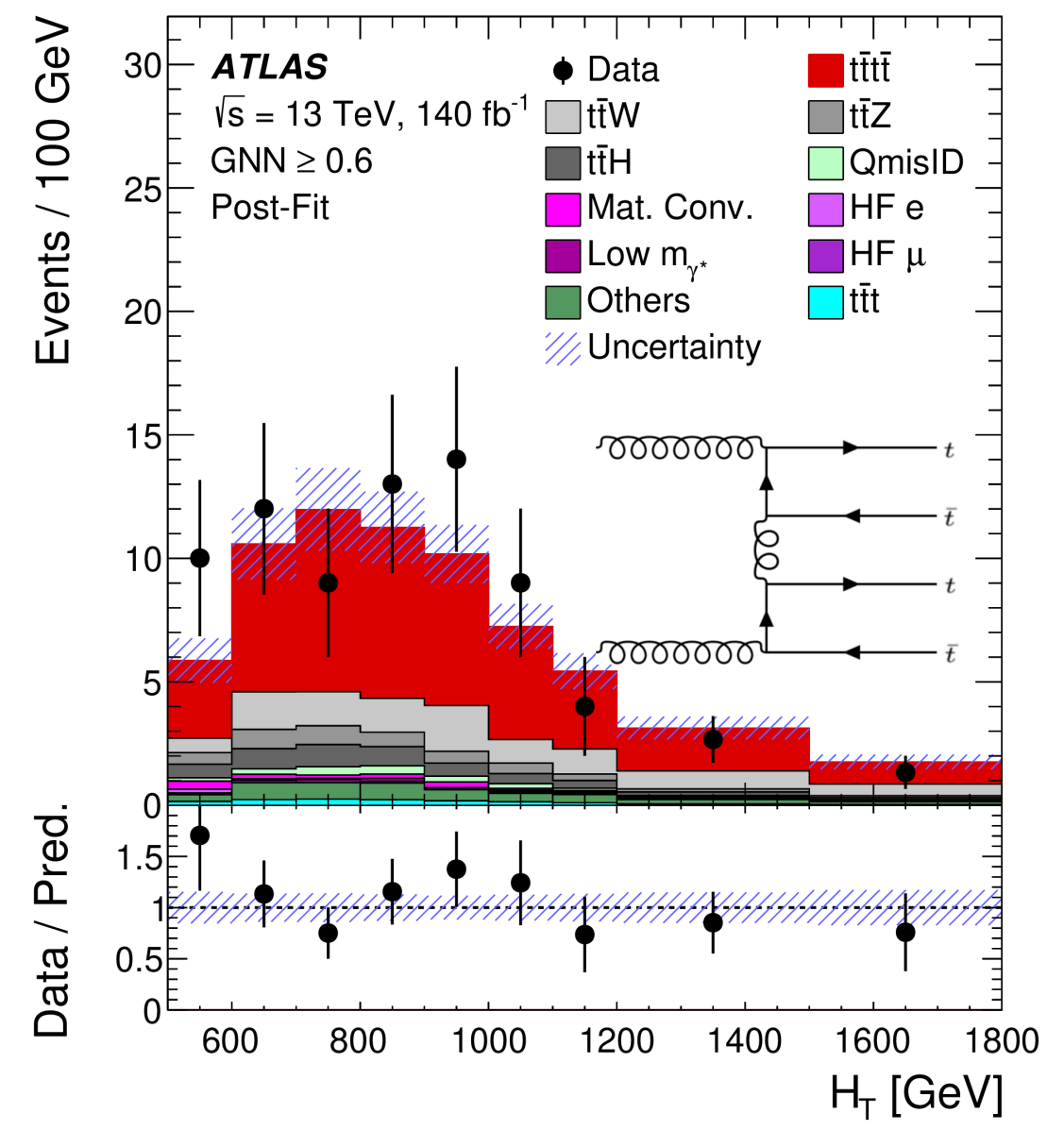
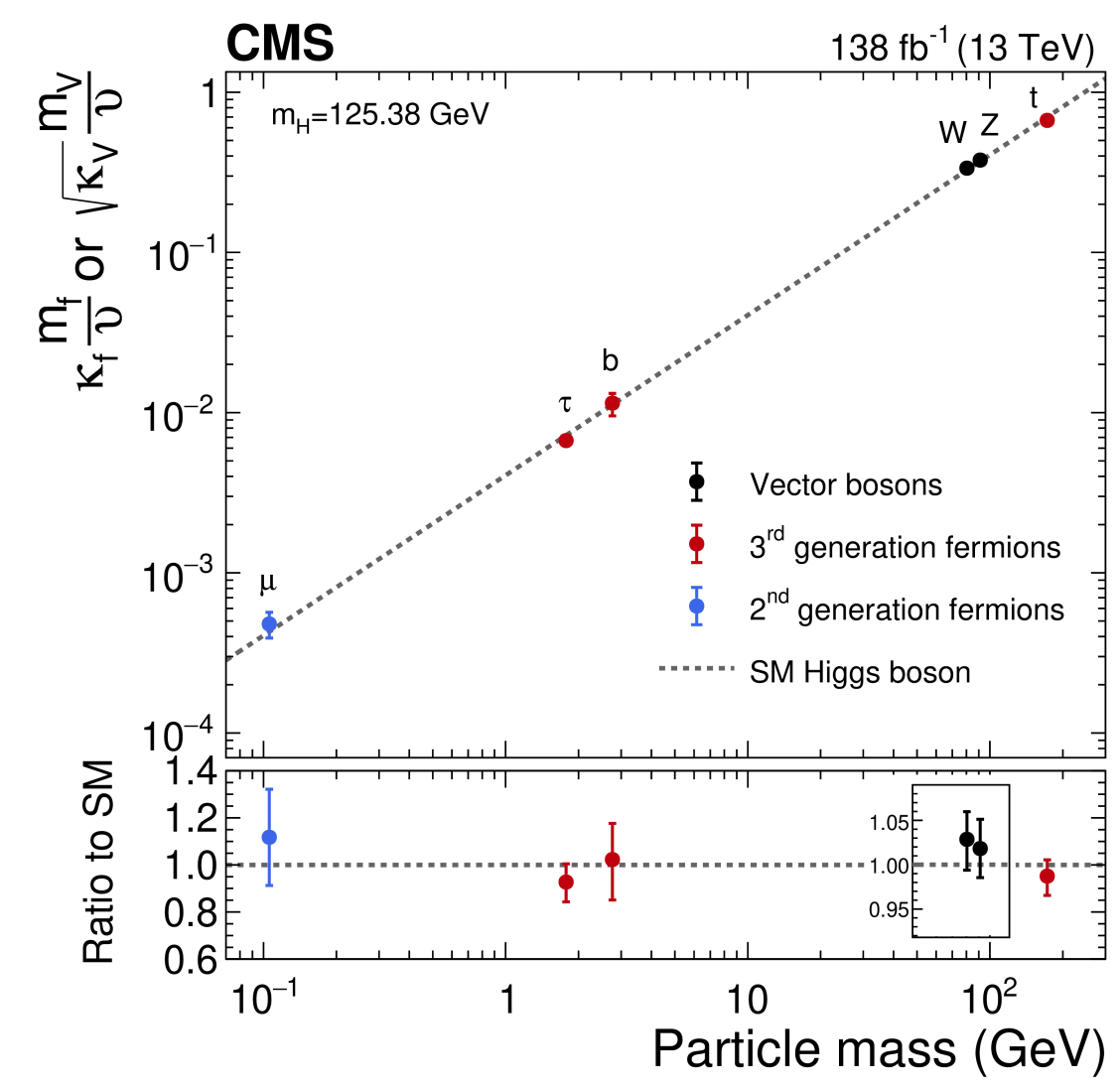
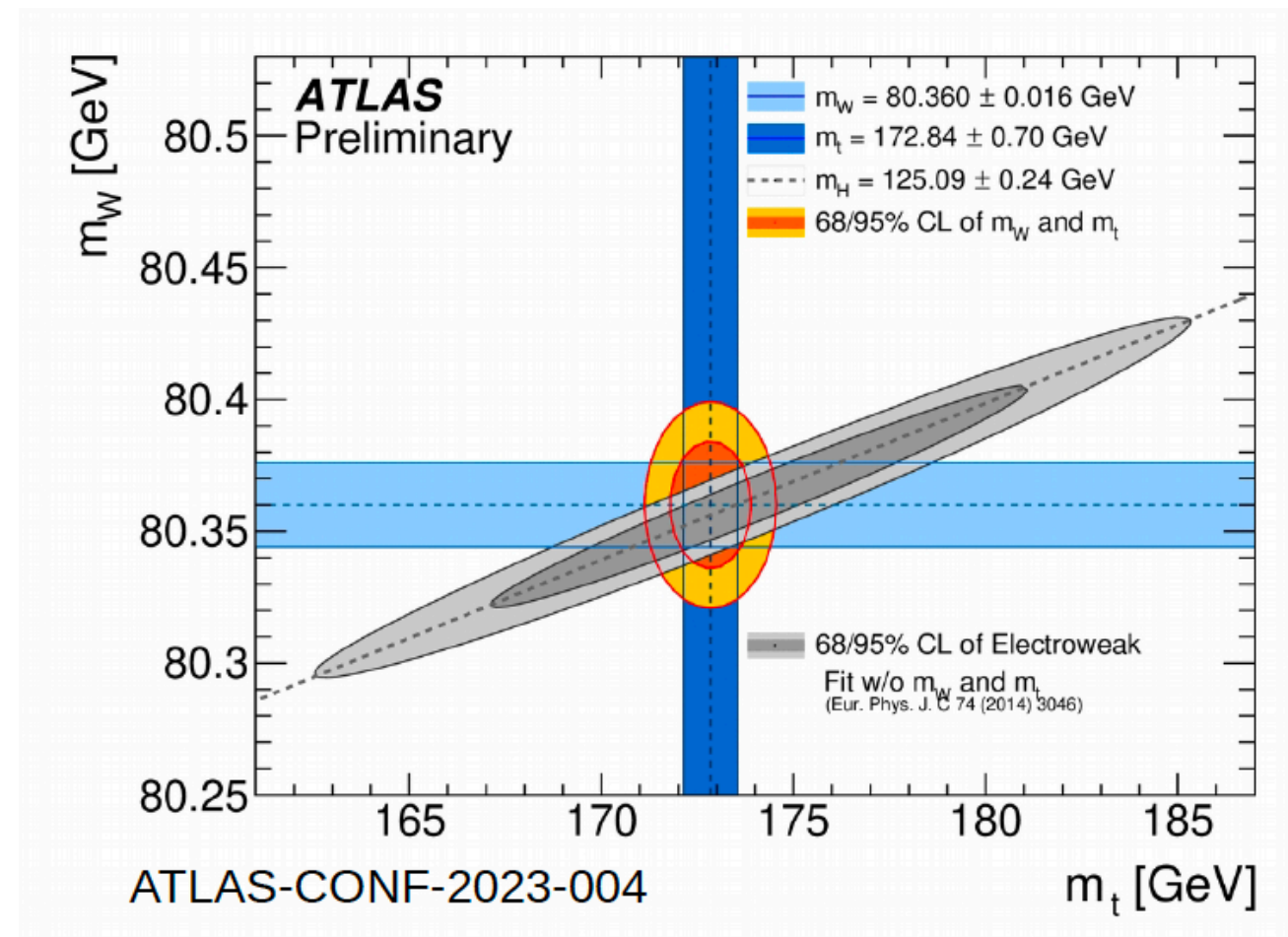
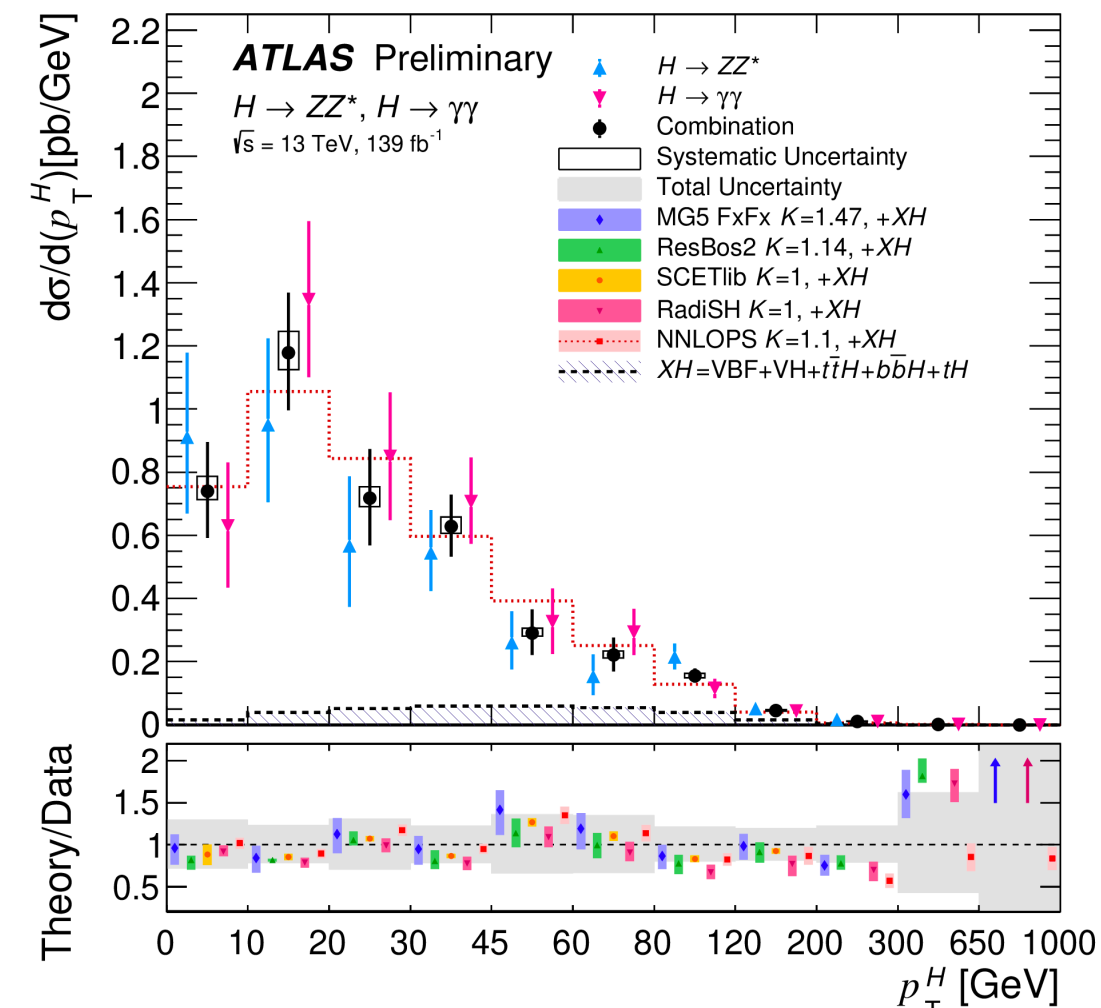
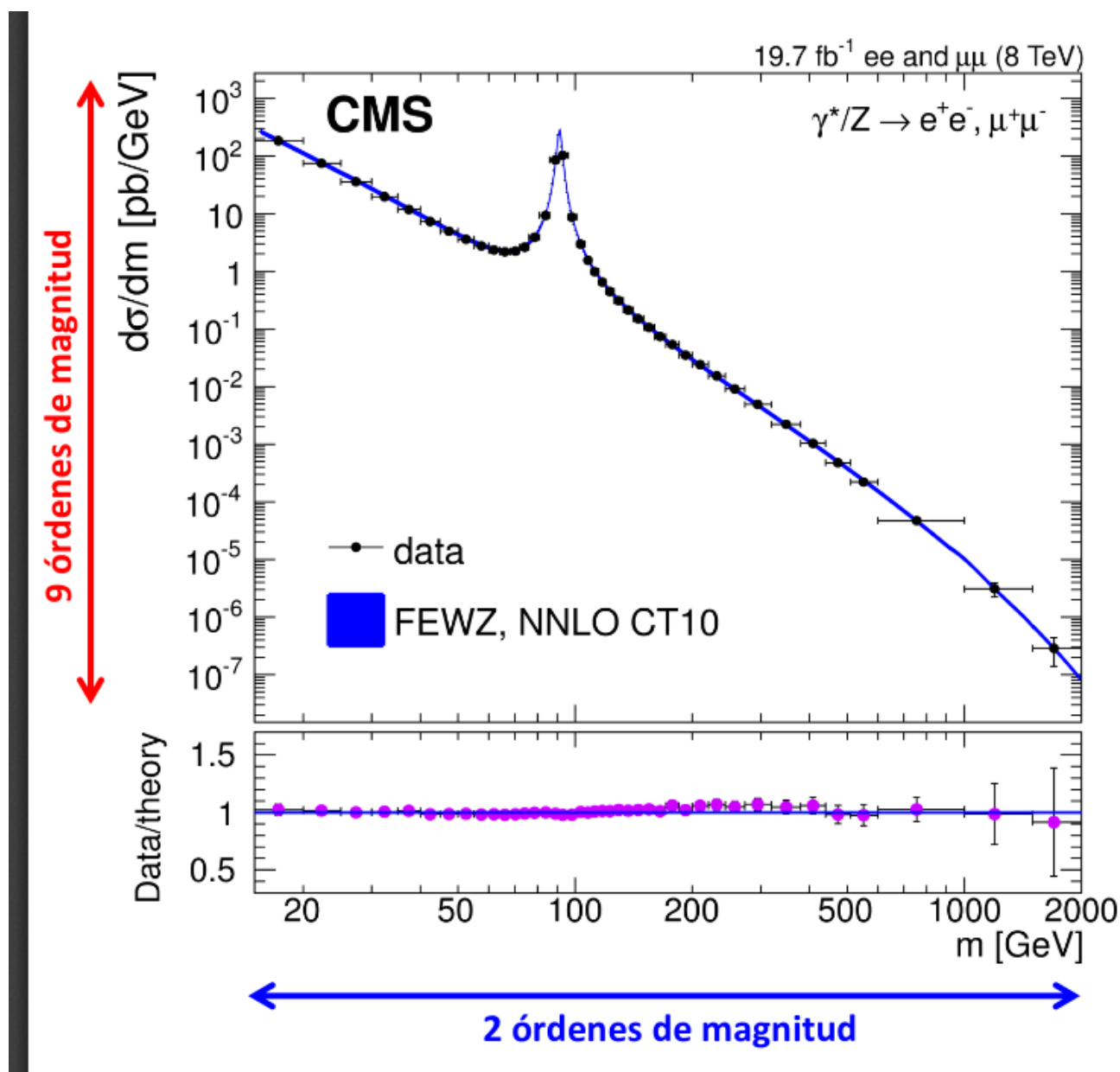




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# DIRECT BSM SEARCHES: EVERYTHING EVERYWHERE ALL AT ONCE

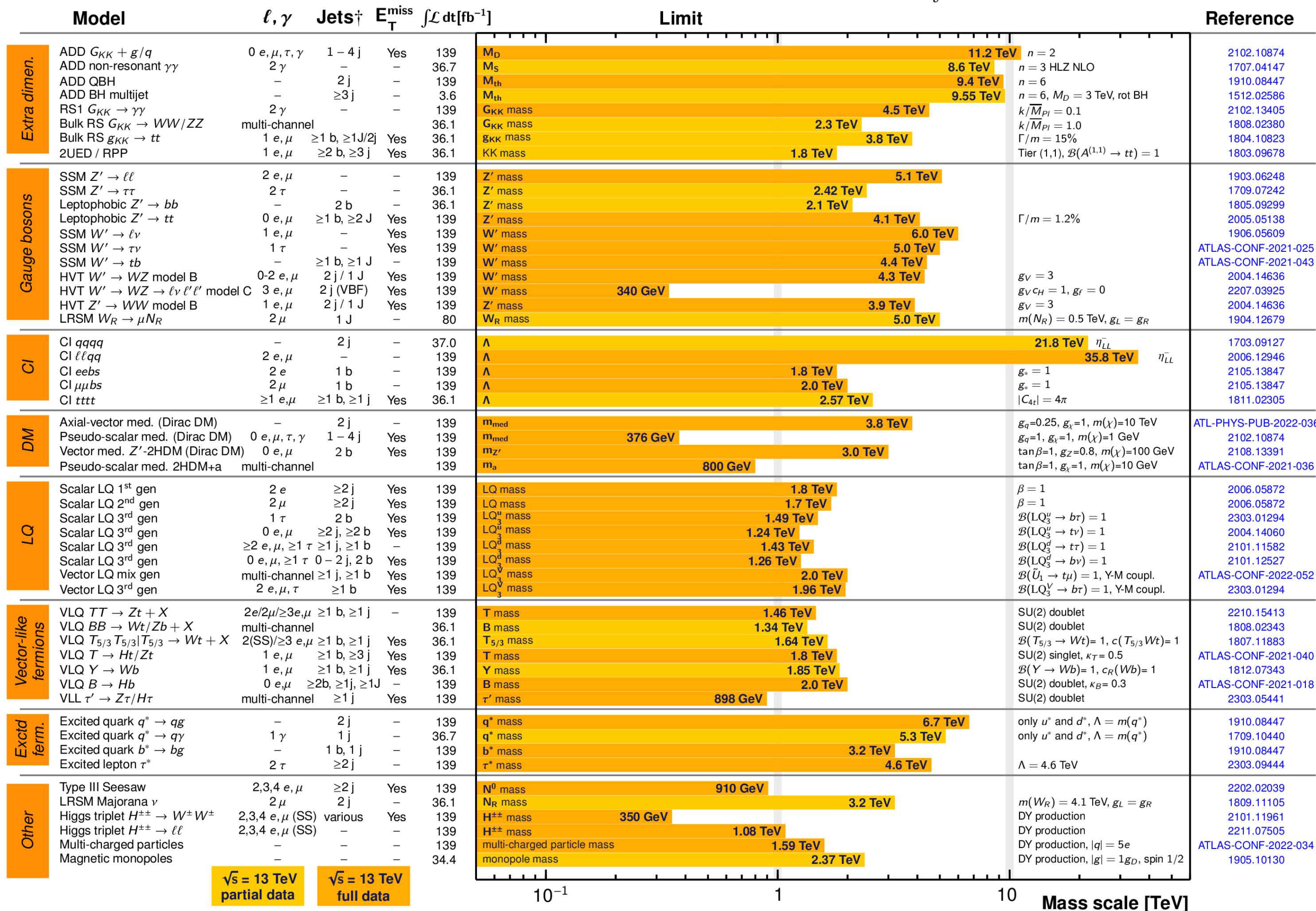
## ATLAS Heavy Particle Searches\* - 95% CL Upper Exclusion Limits

Status: March 2023

ATLAS Preliminary

$$\int \mathcal{L} dt = (3.6 - 139) \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$$



- SUSY
- Dark Matter
- New Gauge Bosons (W', Z')
- New Interactions
- Extra Dimensions
- Additional Higgses
- Axions
- Compositeness
- GUT
- Leptoquarks
- Excited Fermions
- Magnetic Monopoles
- Quantum Black Holes
- ....

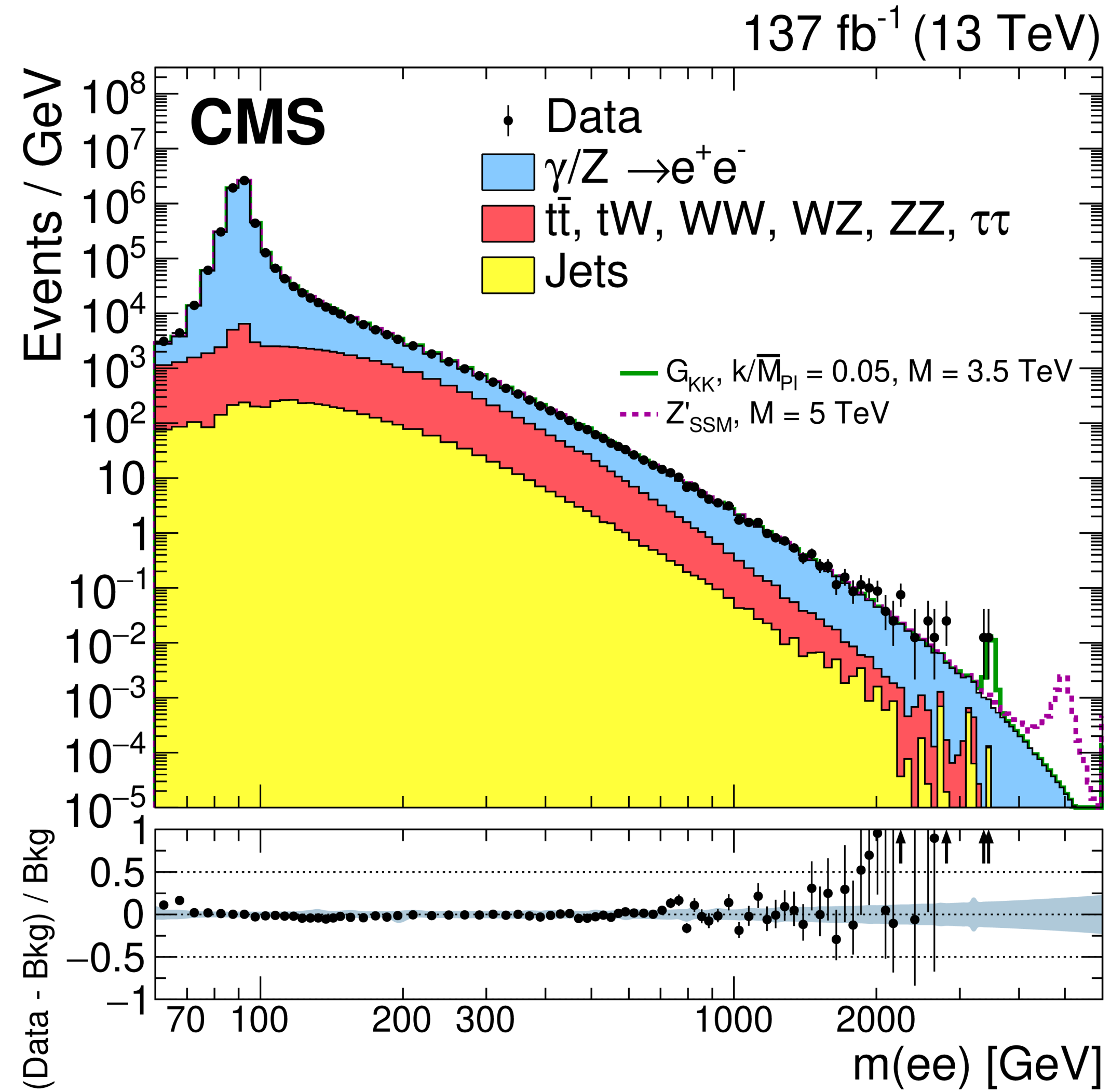
Not possible to cover all of them!



\*Only a selection of the available mass limits on new states or phenomena is shown.

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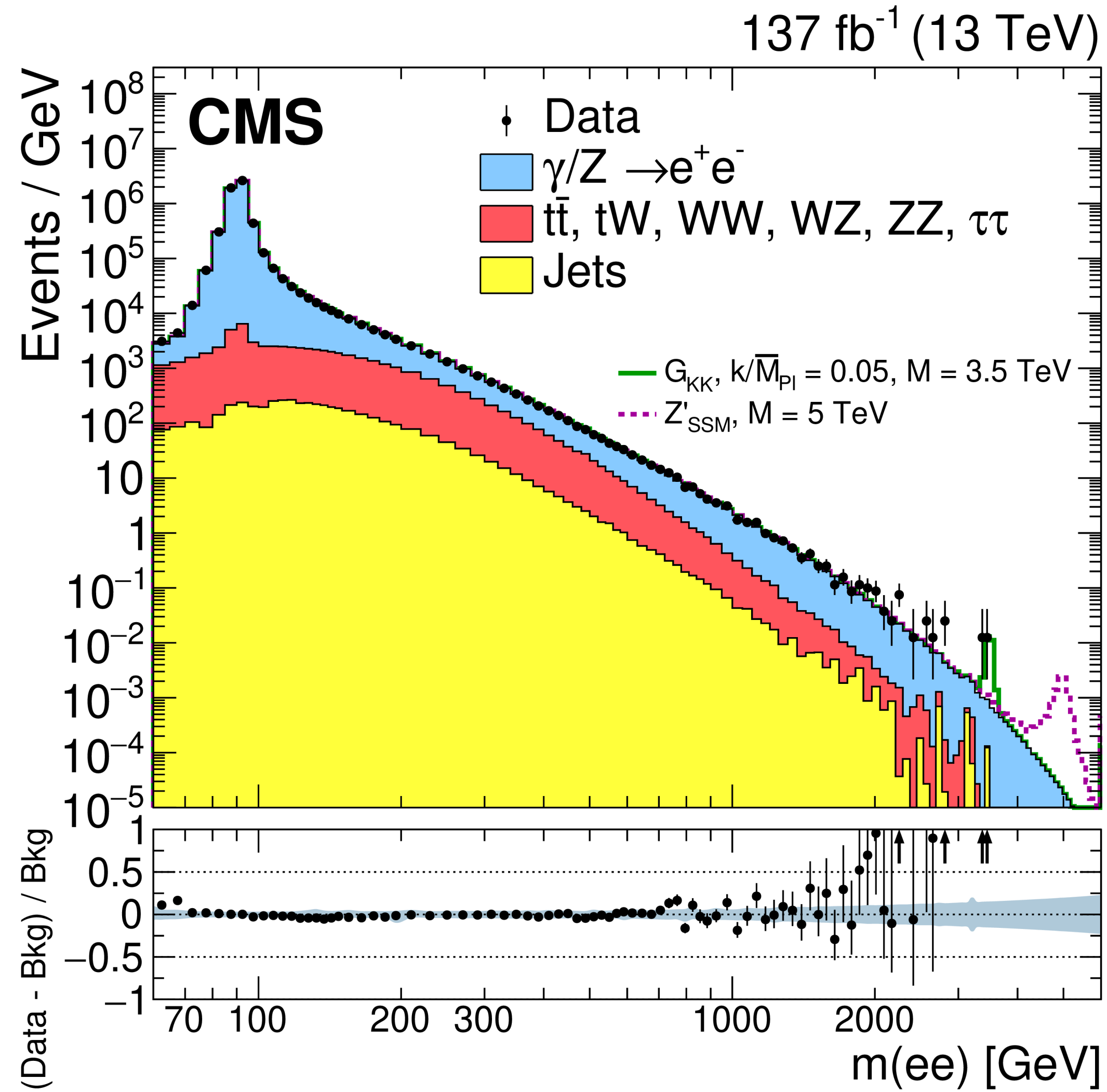
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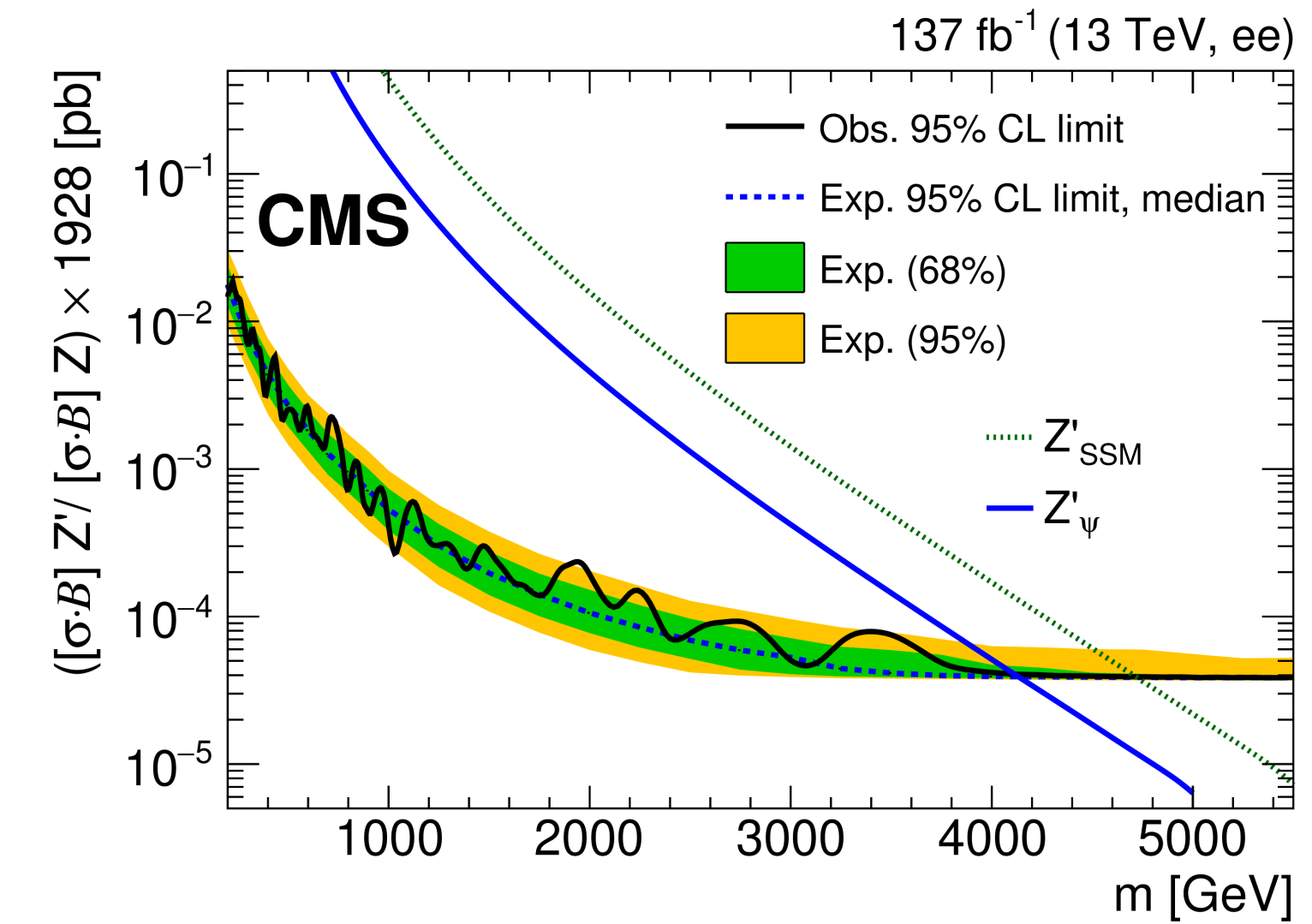
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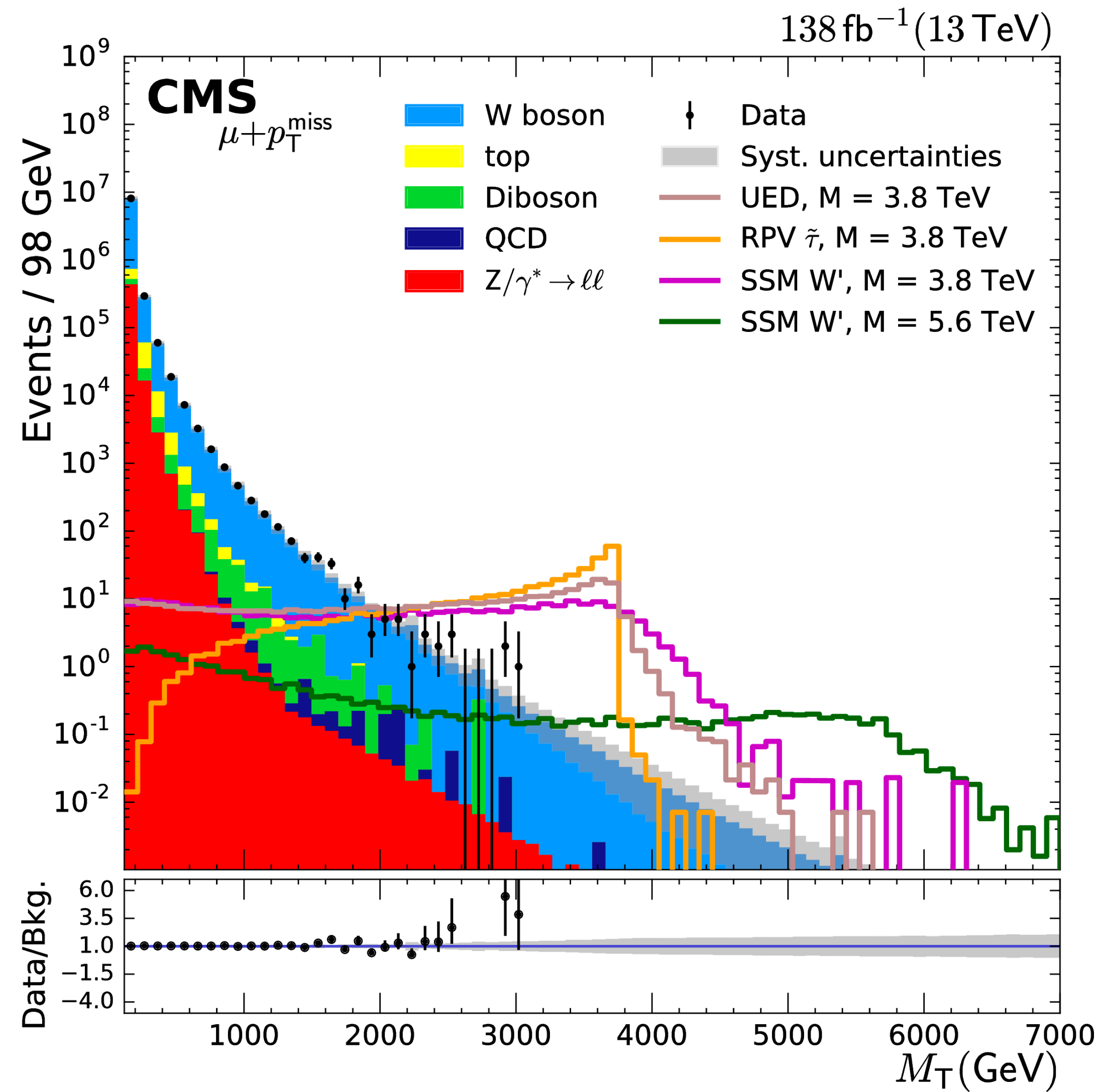


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(Also di-jets, difotons, dimuons, ditaus... di-bosons... :))

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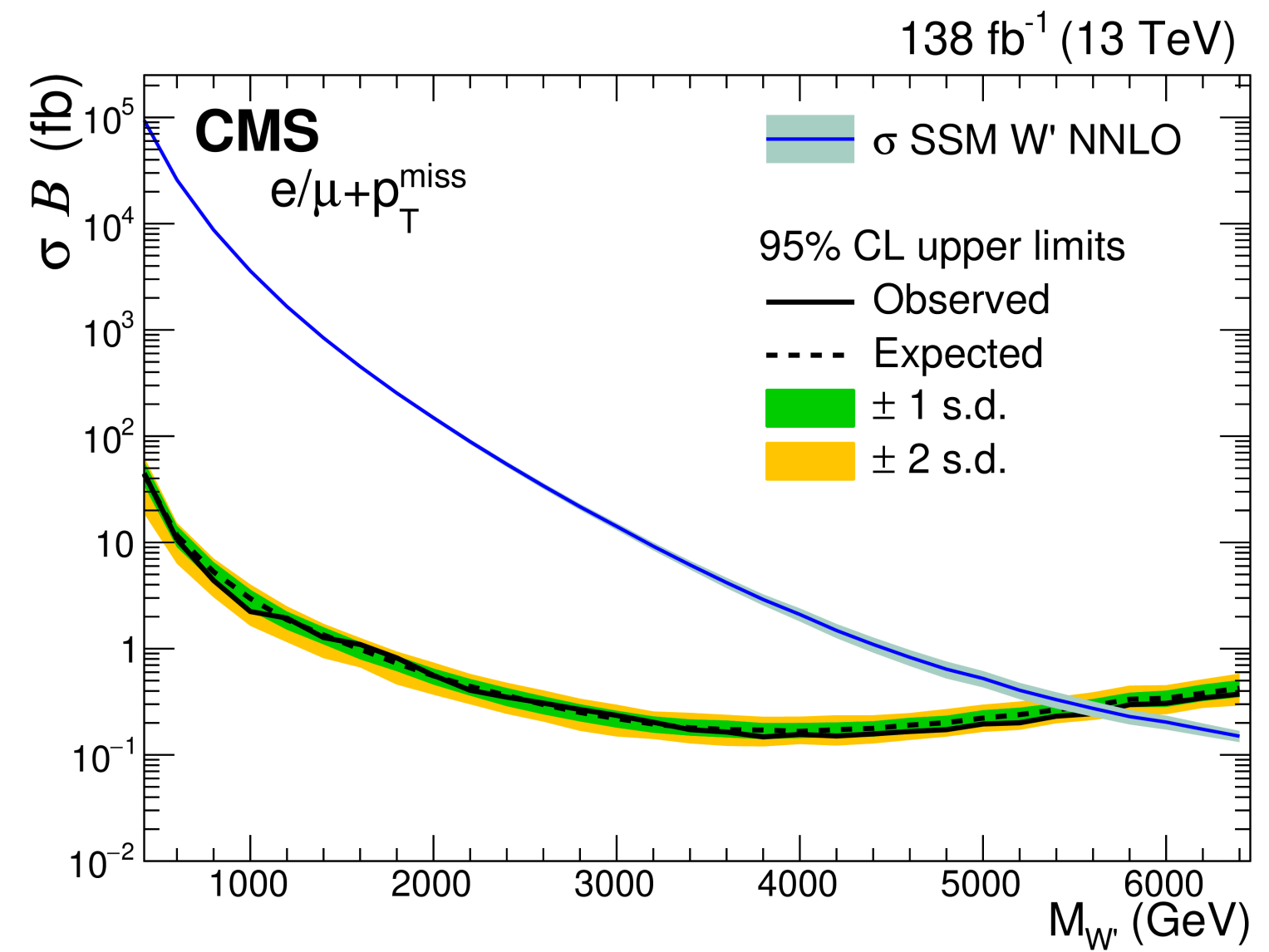
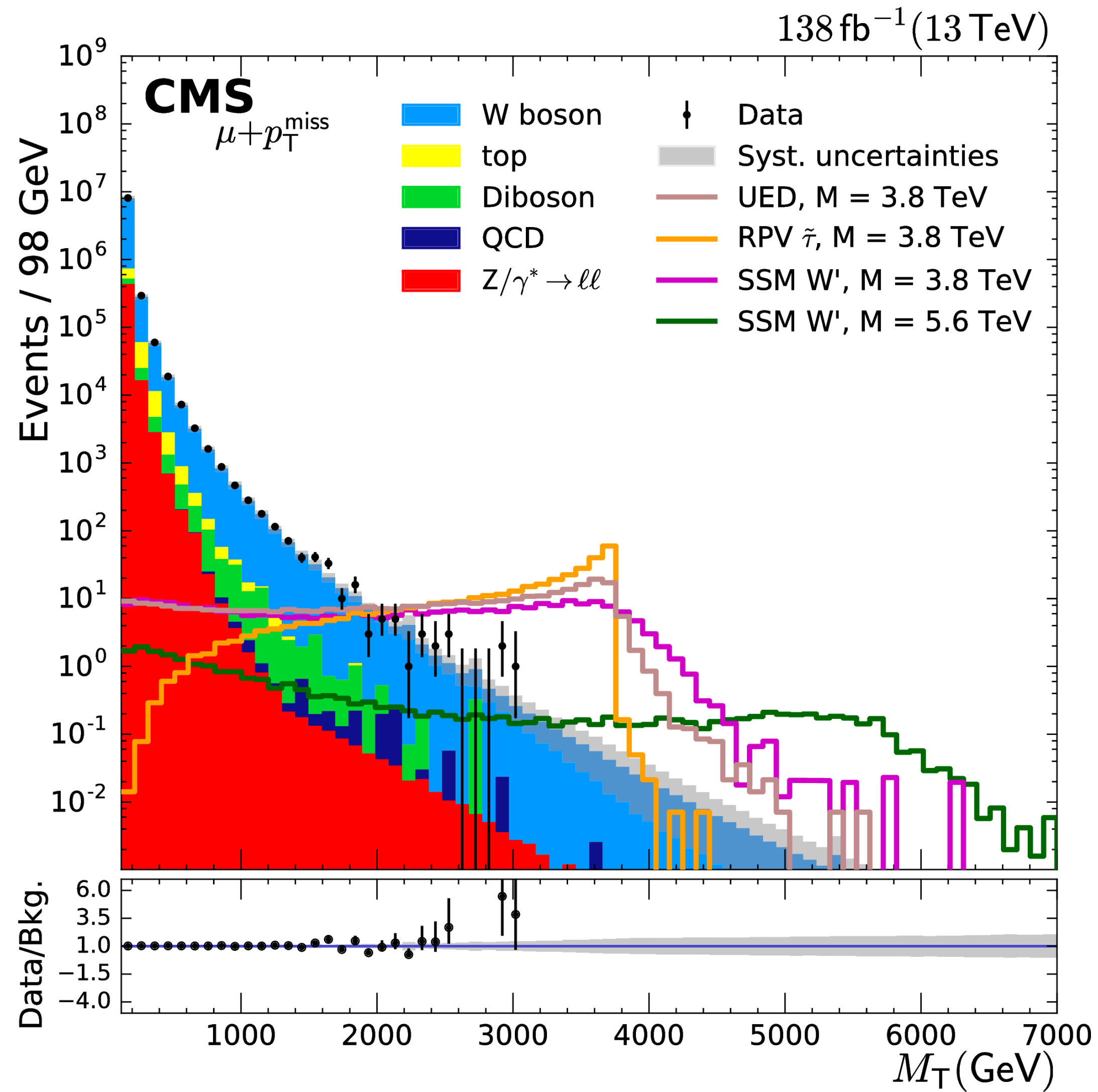


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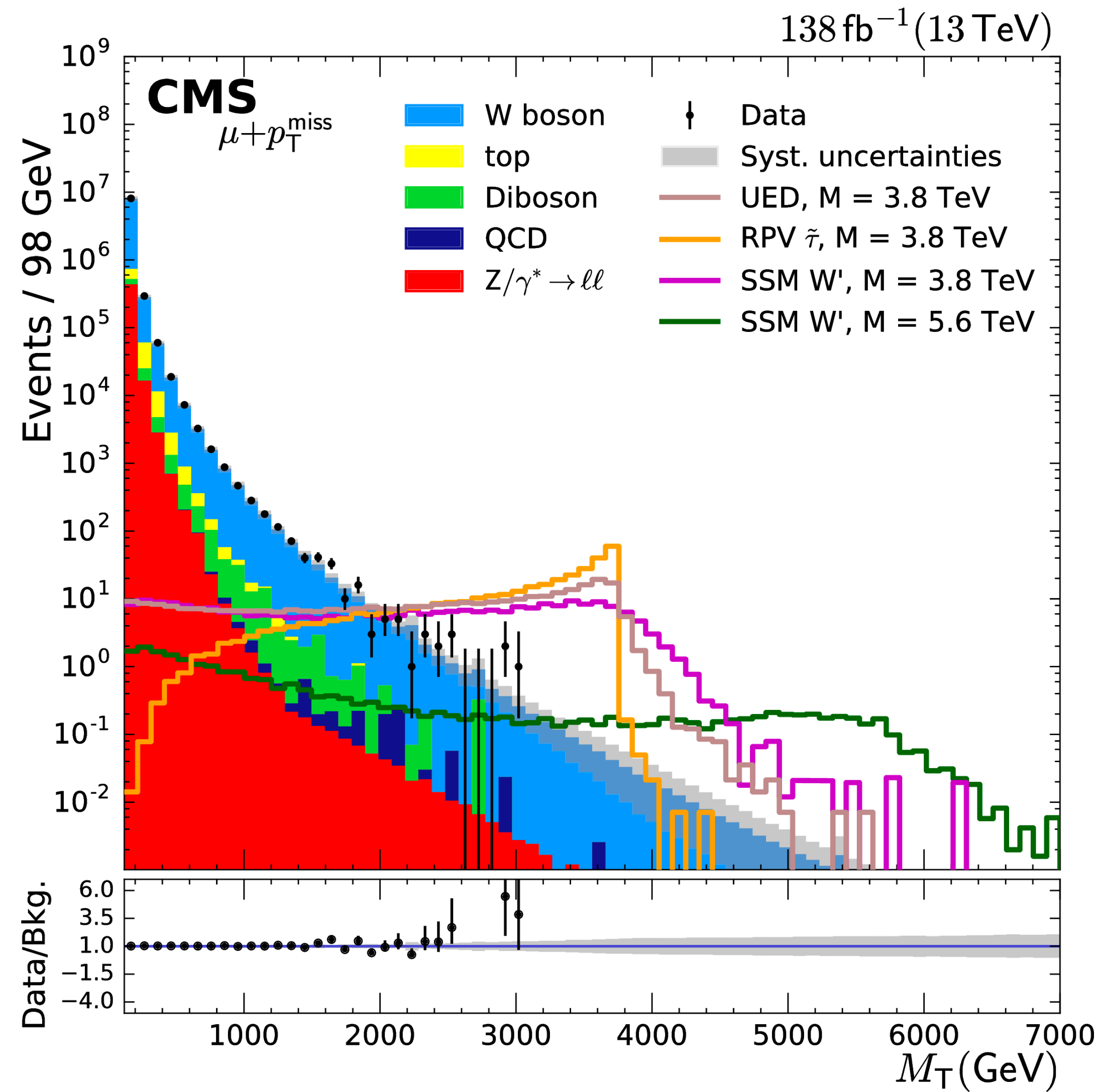


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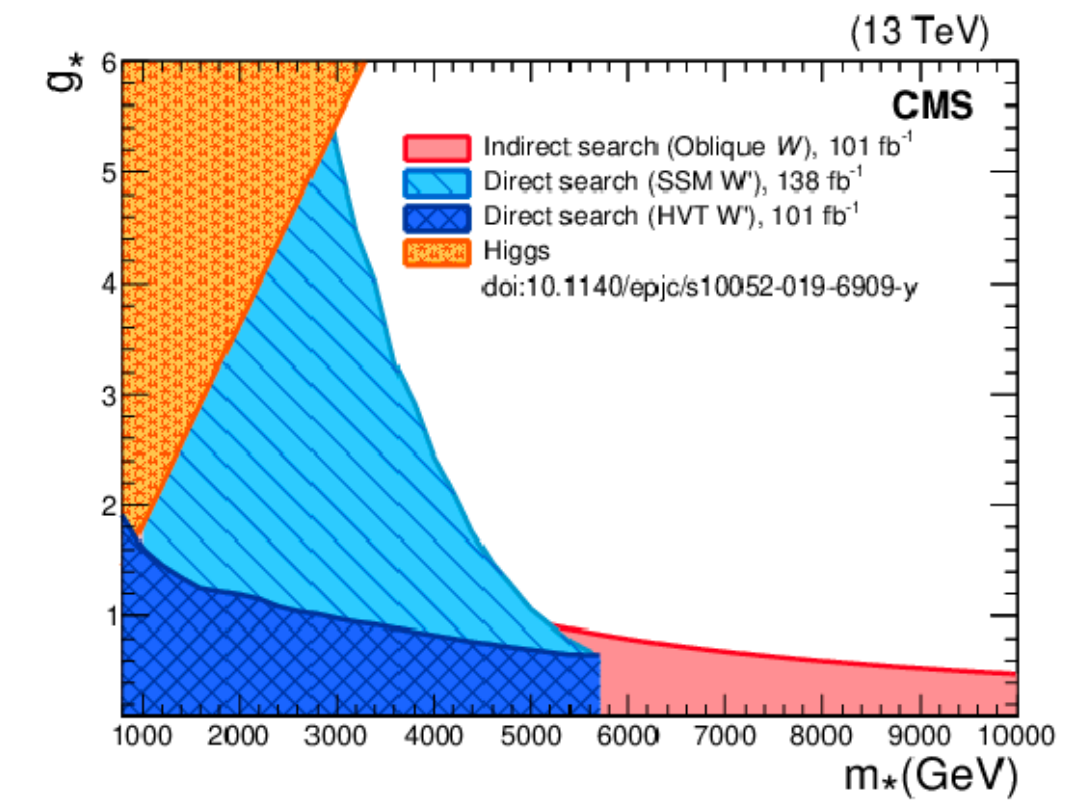
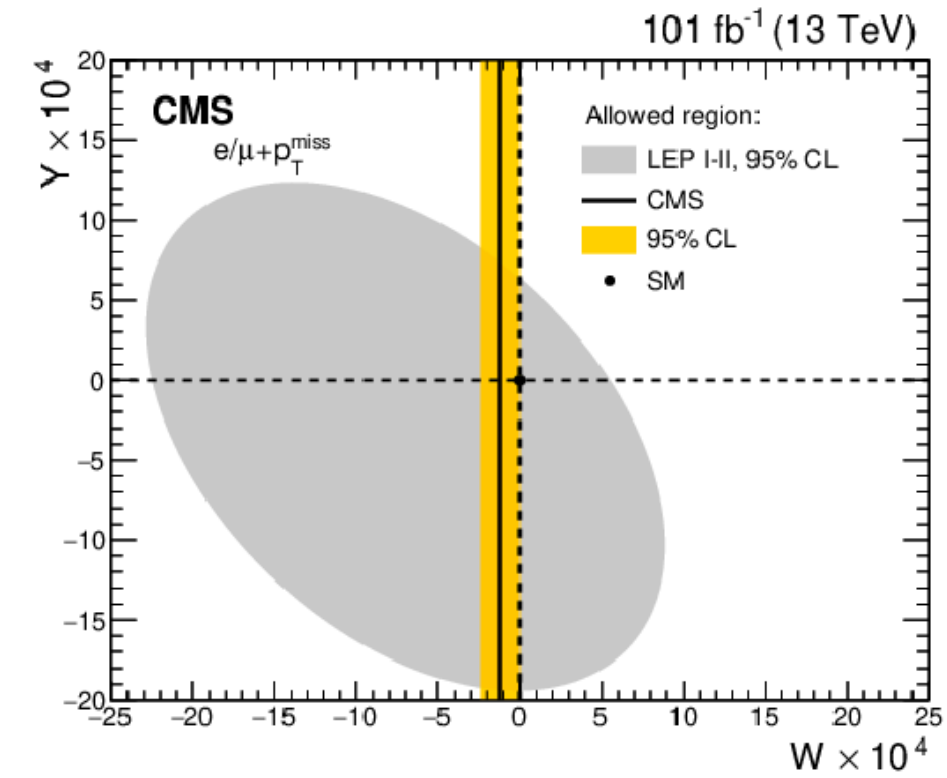
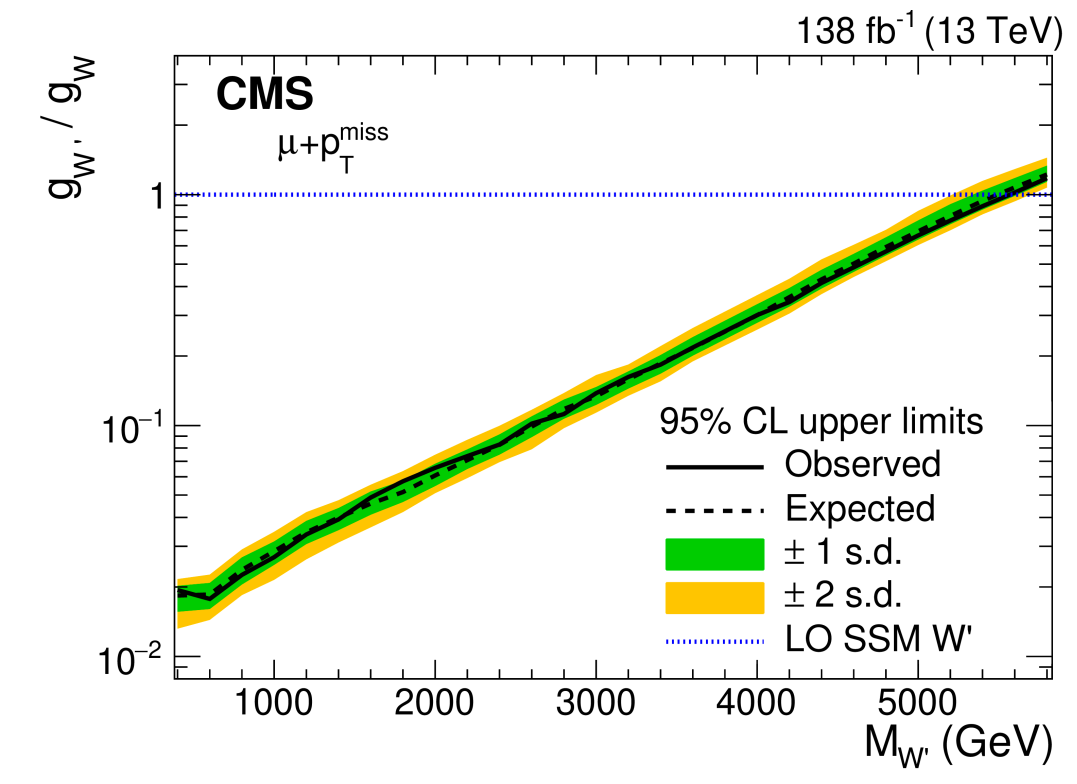
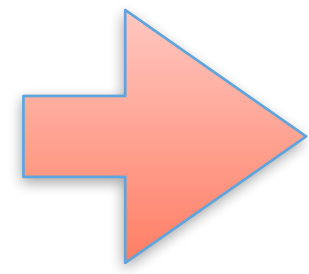
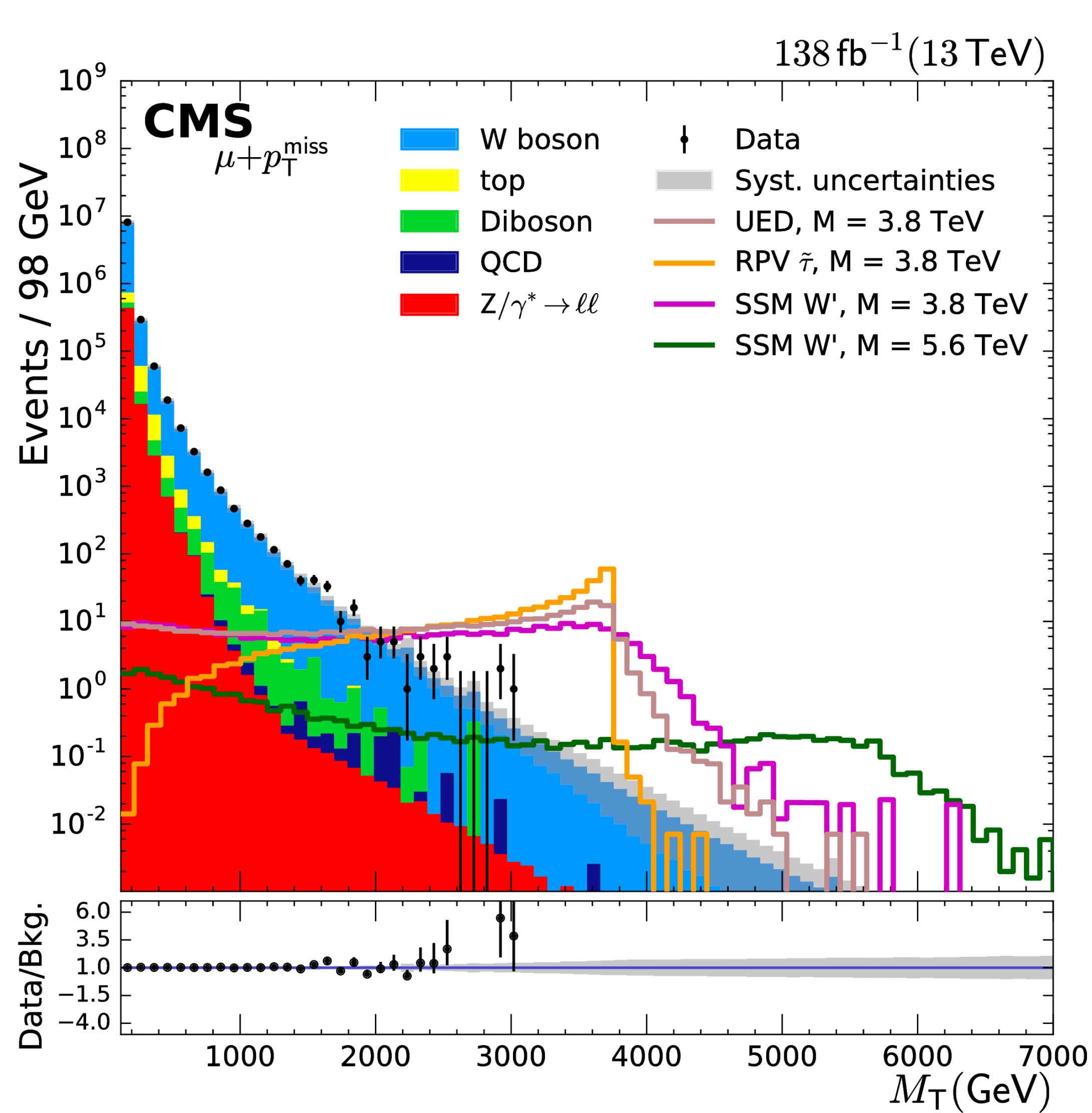


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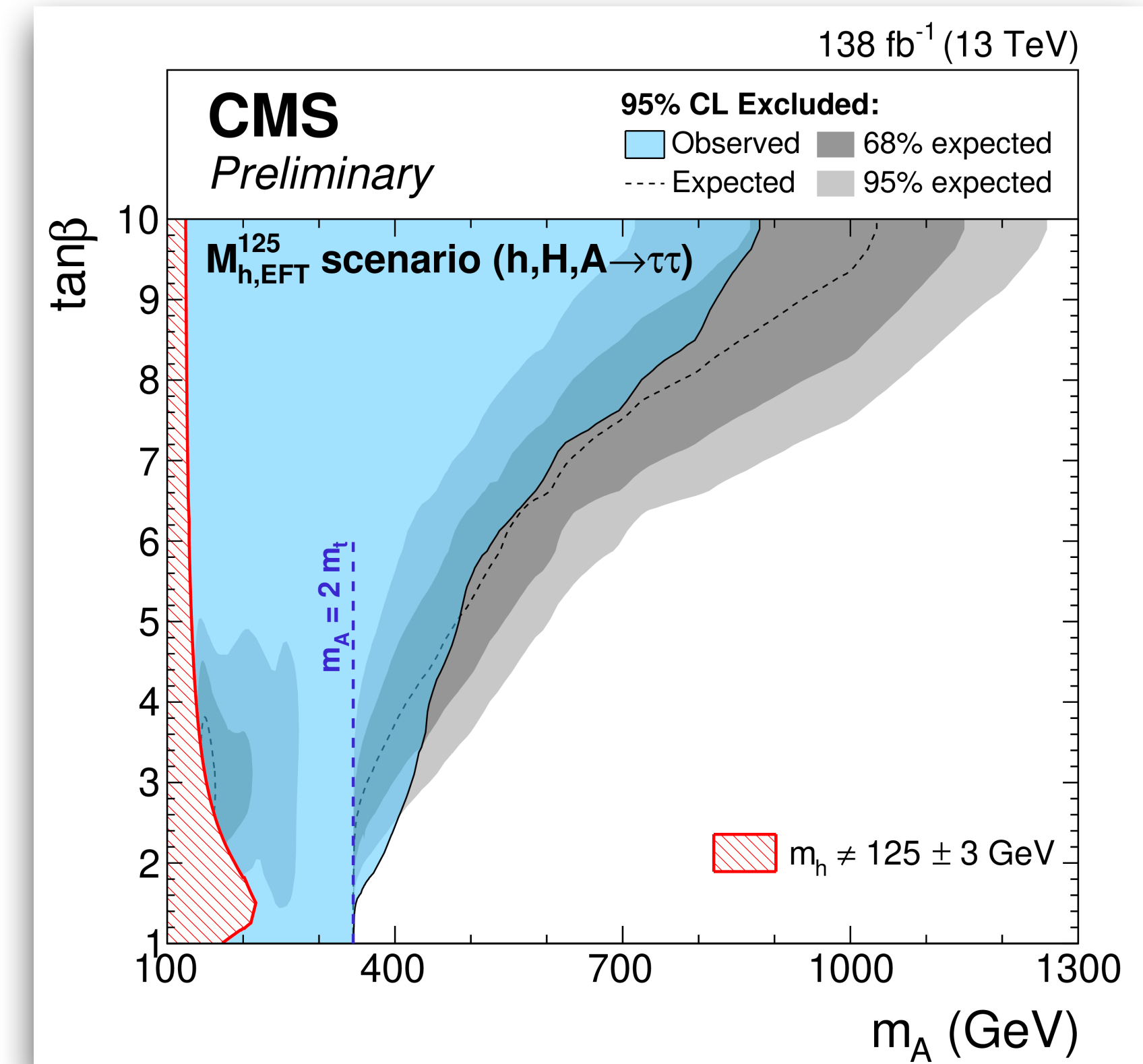
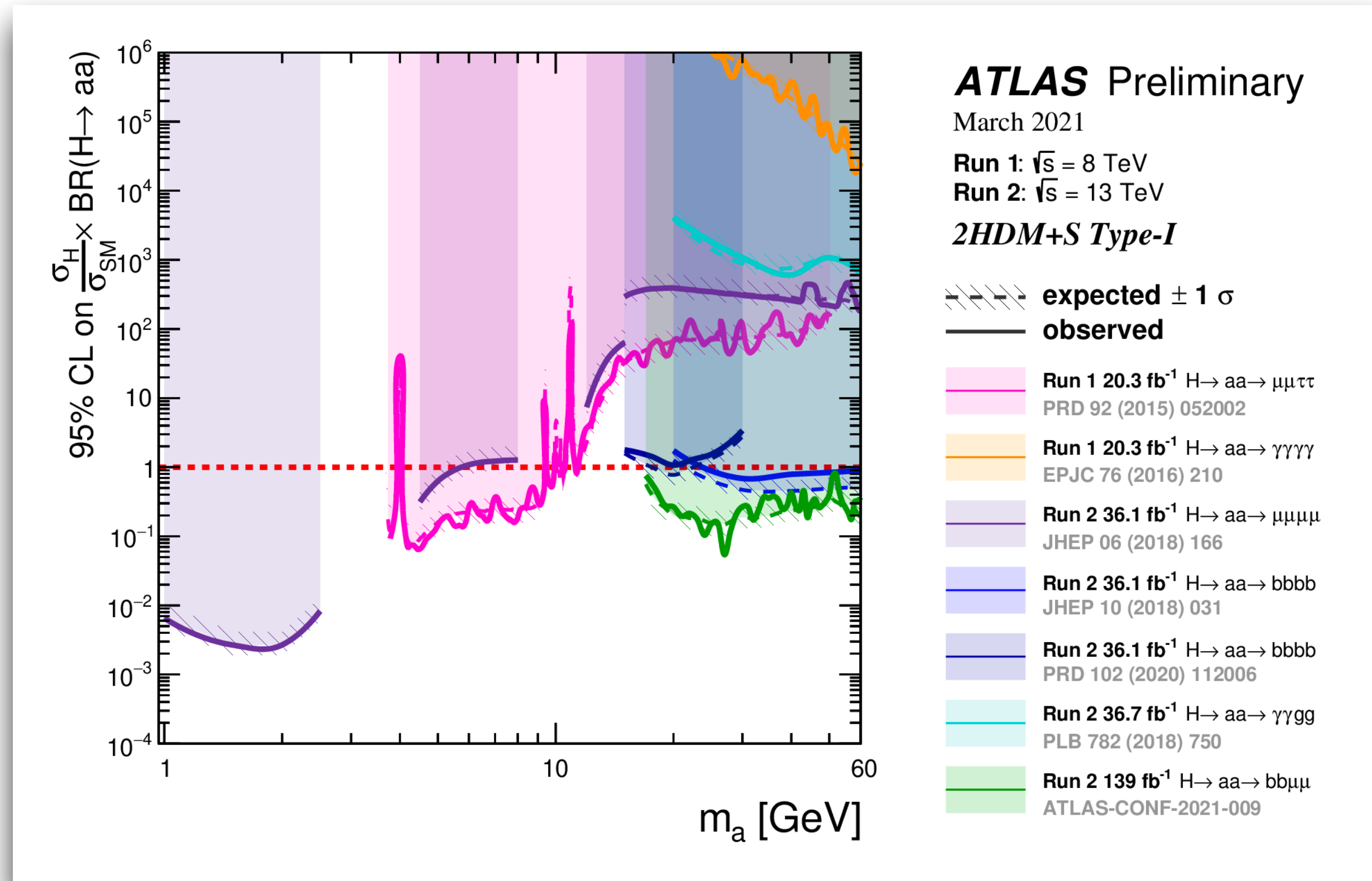
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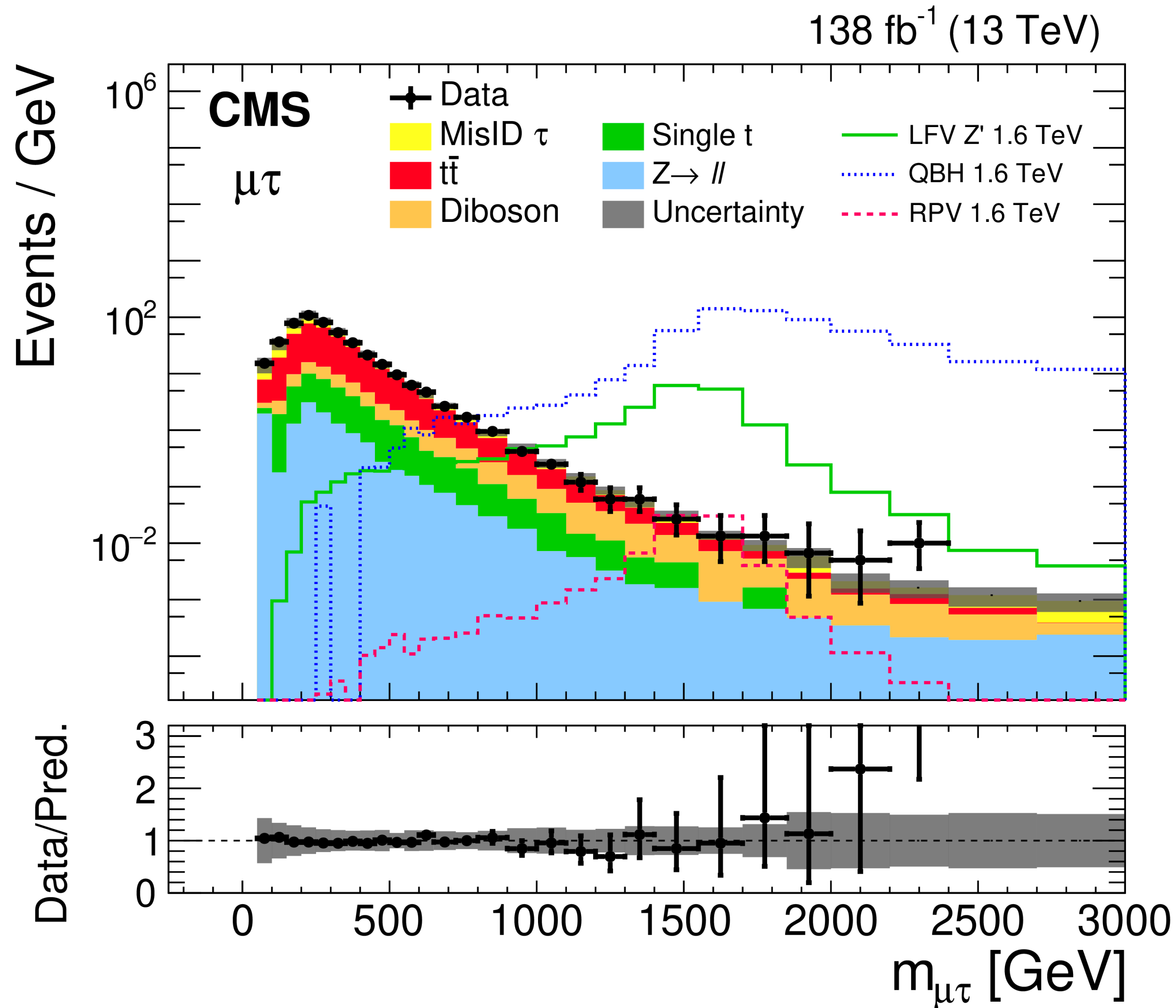


- BSM models tell us that the Higgs does not like being lonely: looking for additional Higgses (at high or low masses, scalar pseudo scalar or charged) is a key part of the Higgs program of the LHC: large phase space to probe!

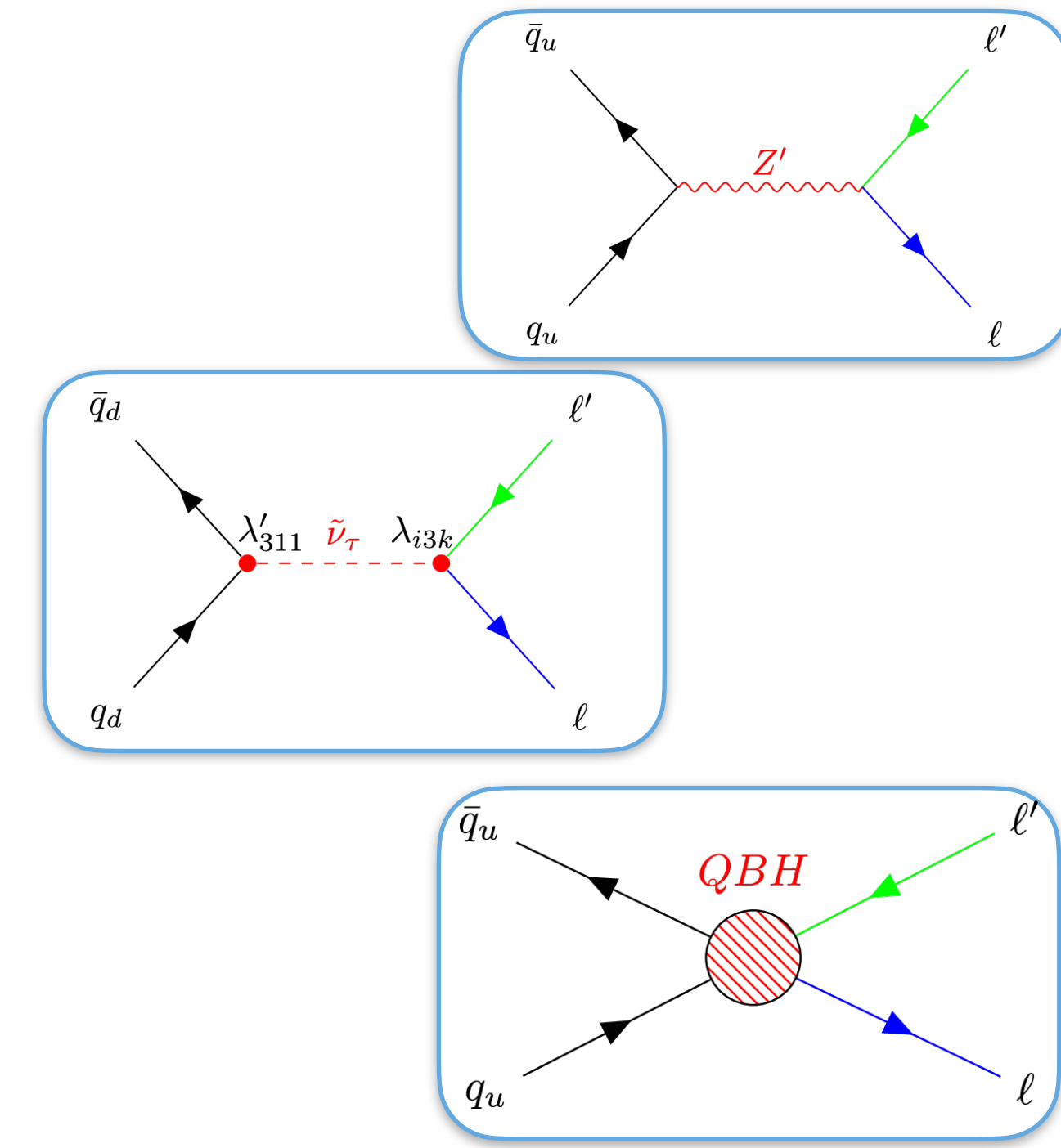




# BSM: BREAK THE RULES



ej: lepton number conservation?

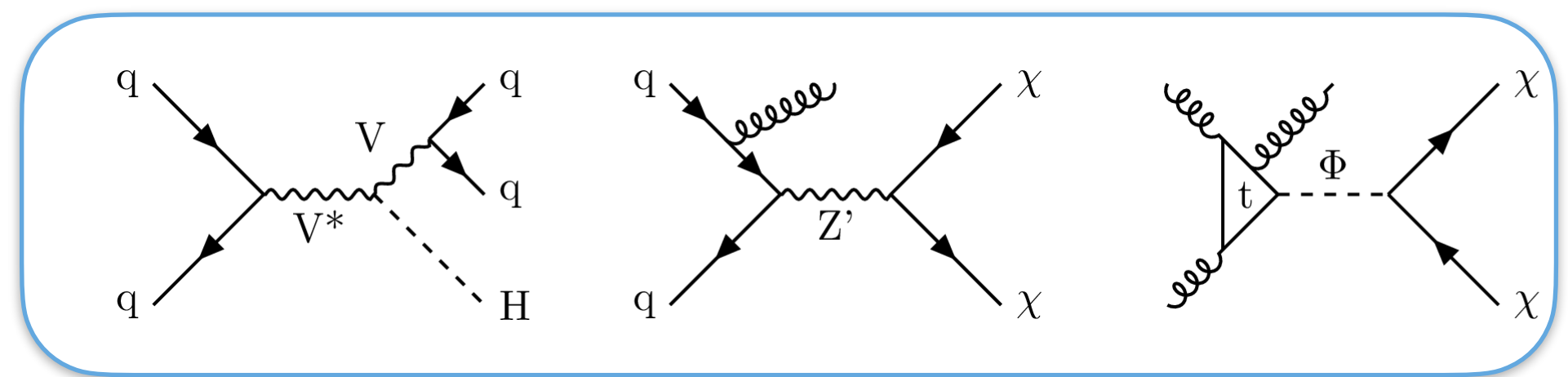
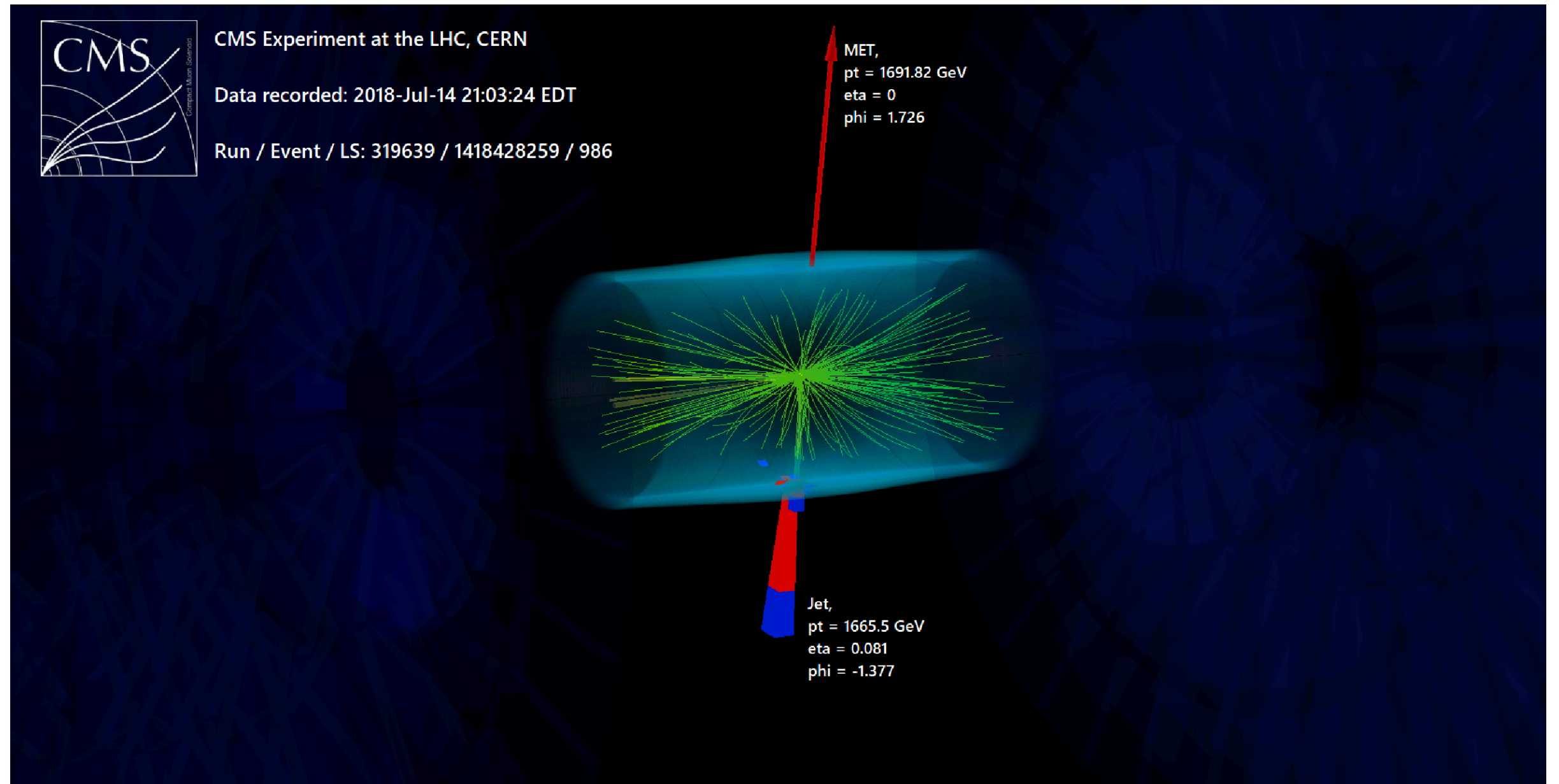


PS: Not only at high mass! Think also about FCNC in TOP, Flavour Violating Decays / Yukawas in Higgs. Any news in Flavour?

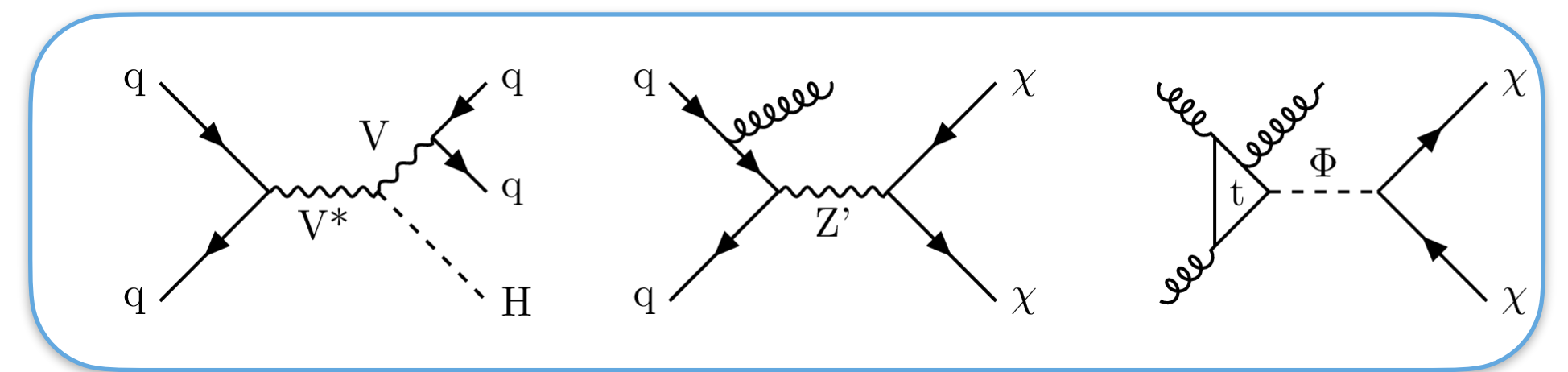
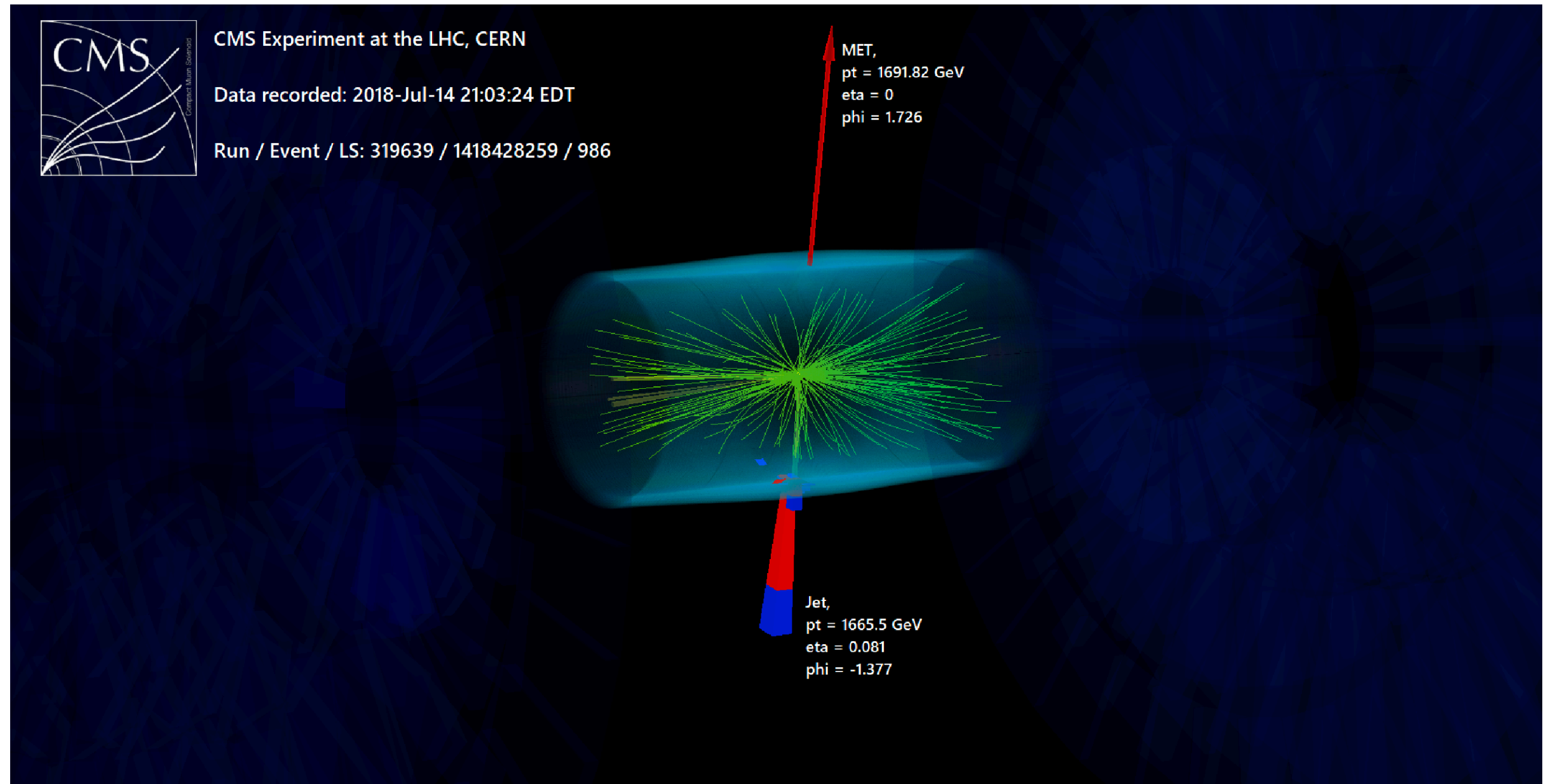
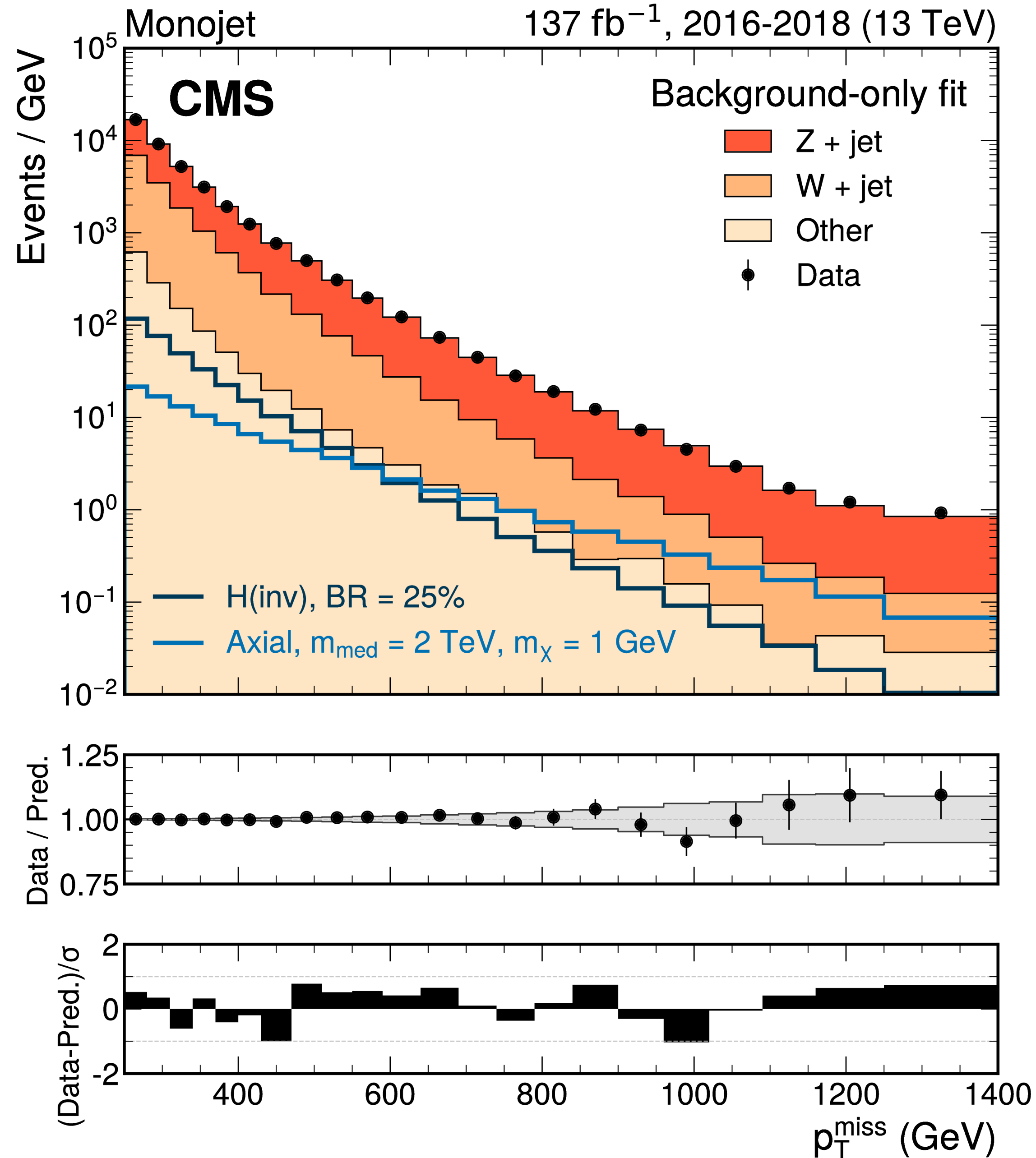
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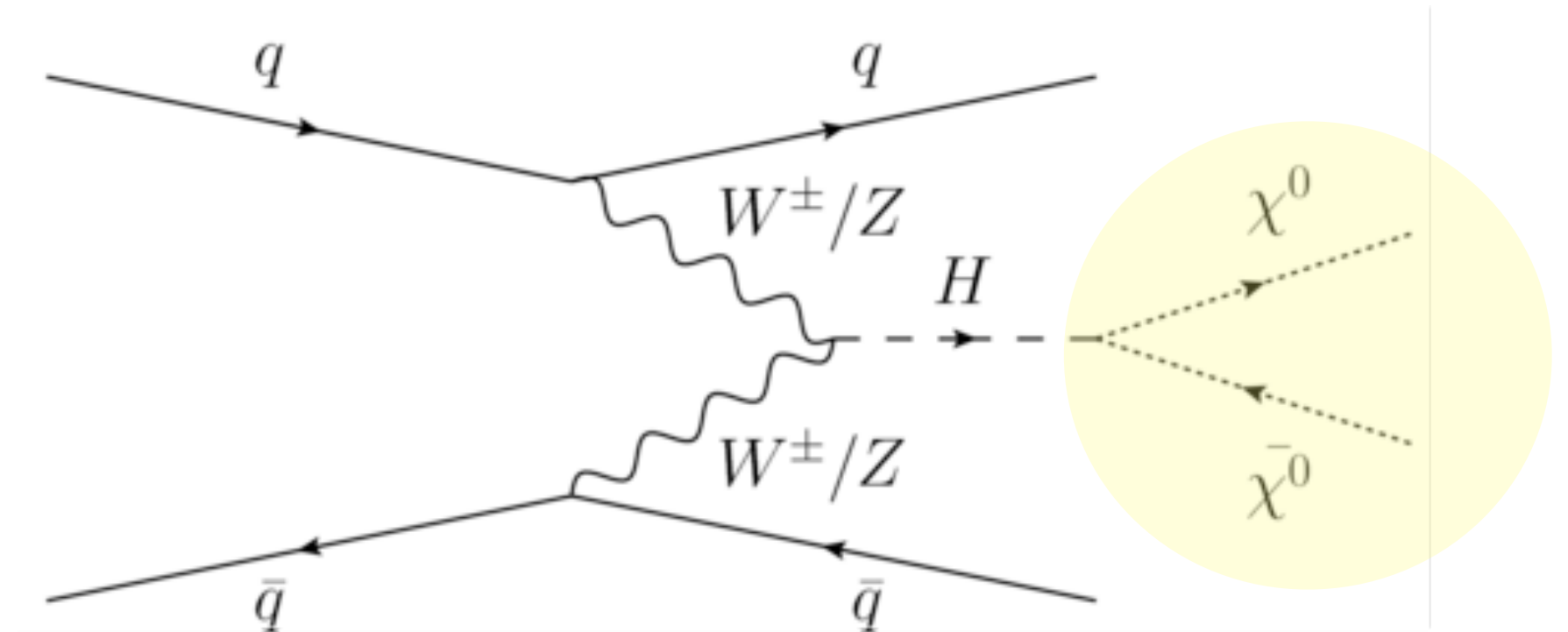
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# EG: CAN THE HIGGS BOSON DECAY TO DARK MATTER?

- Why should we assume the Higgs boson follow the SM rules strictly? Can it decay to the unexpected, to BSM particles?
- Does DM couple to the Higgs???



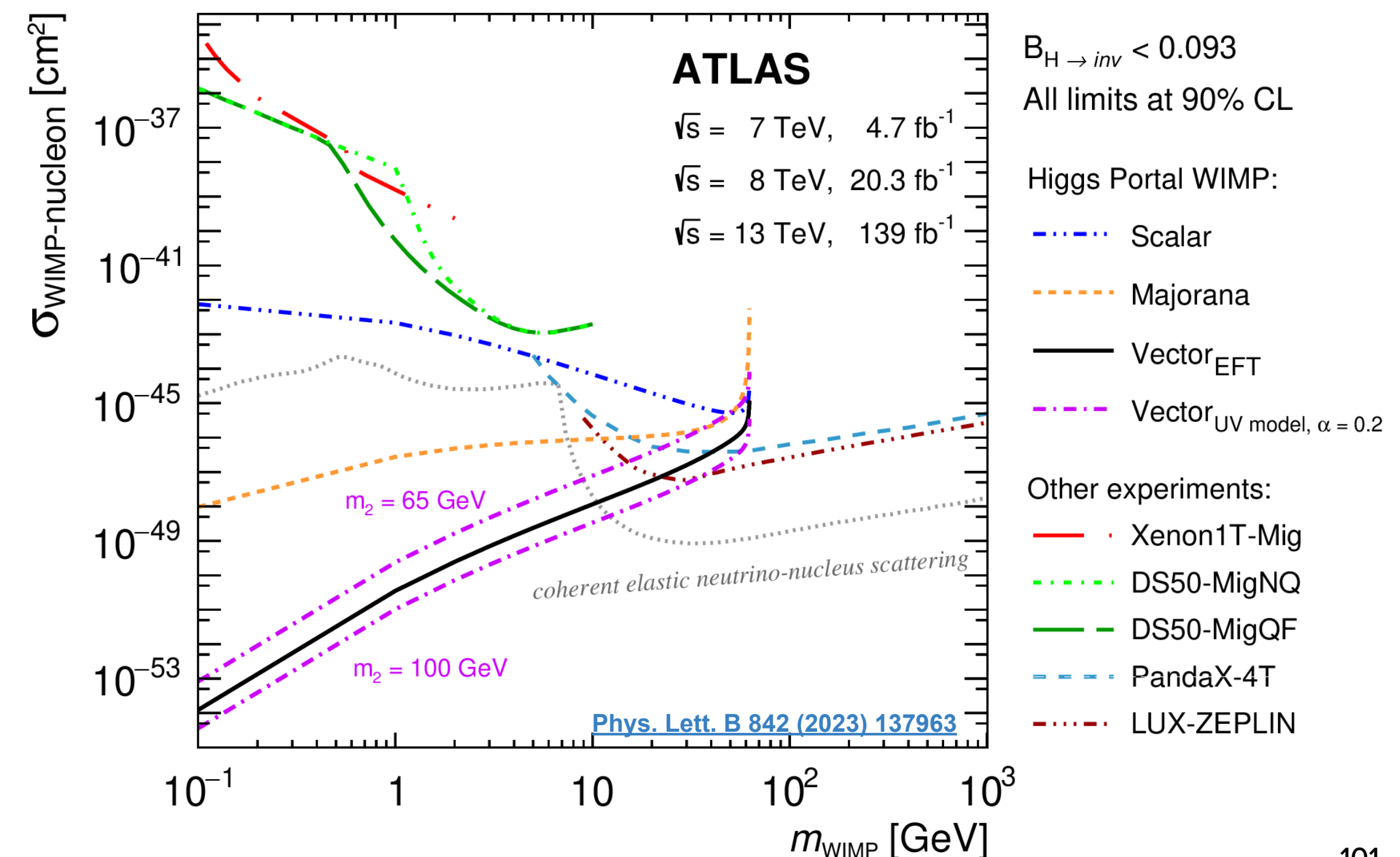
Direct searches for Higgs decays to **undetectable** particles = 'invisible decay'

How do we see this experimentally? Look for missing energy!

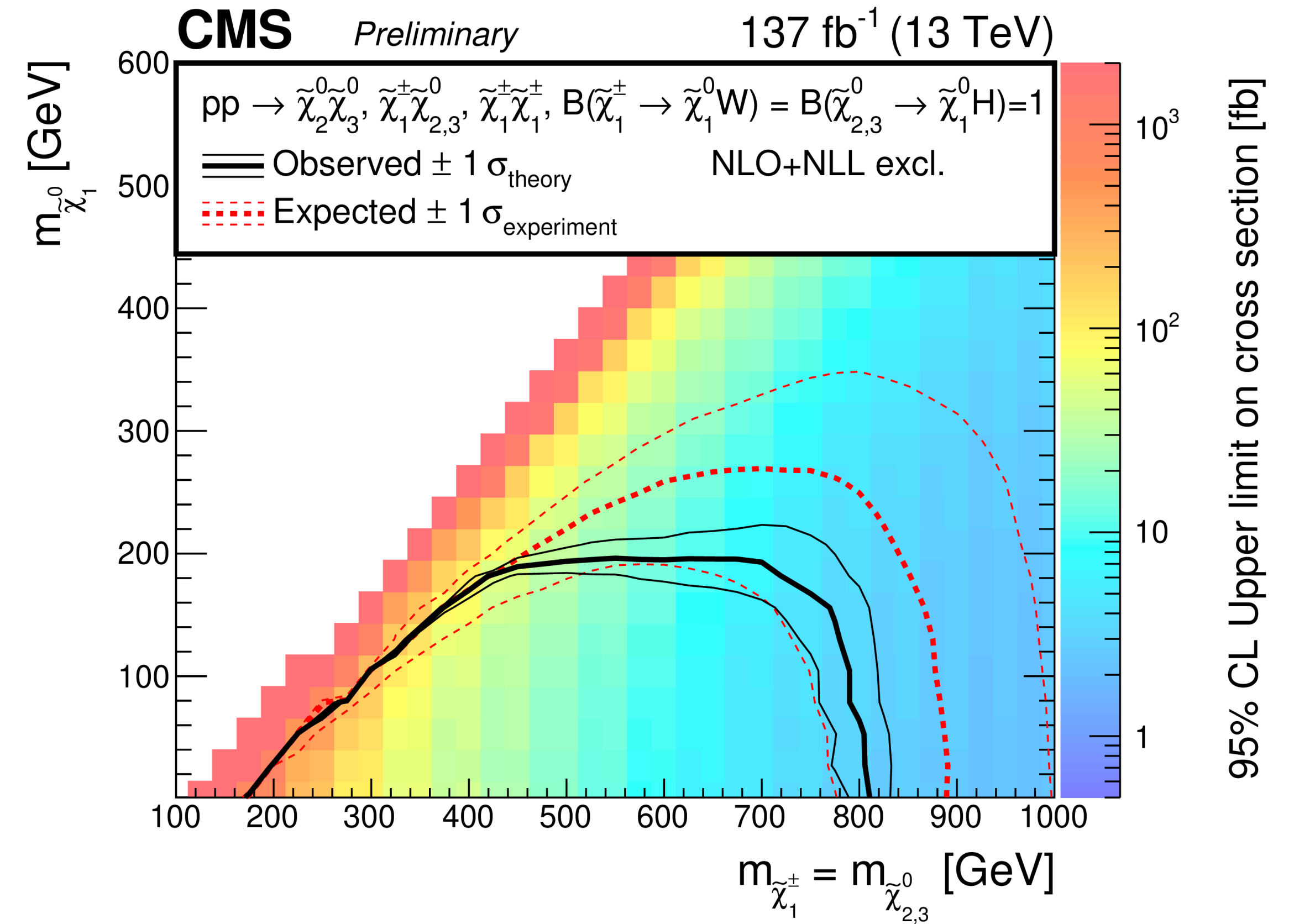
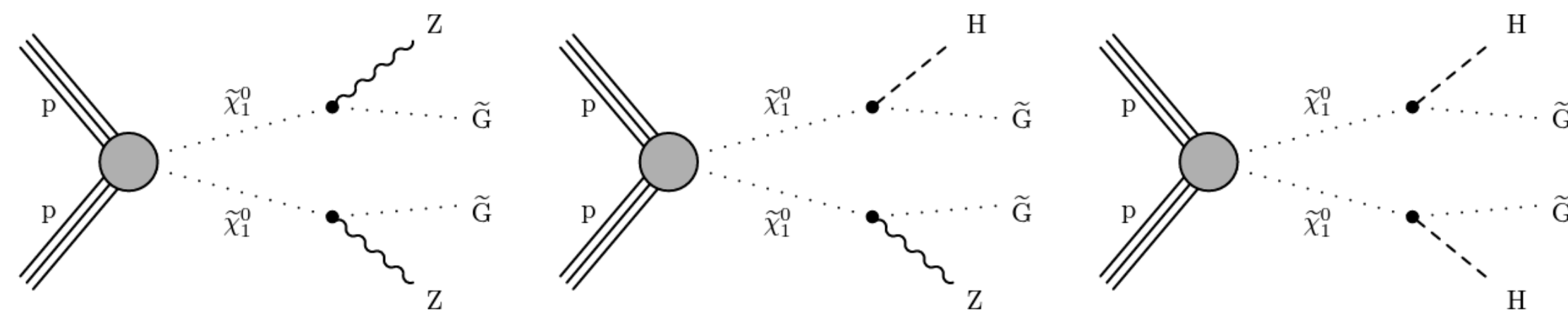
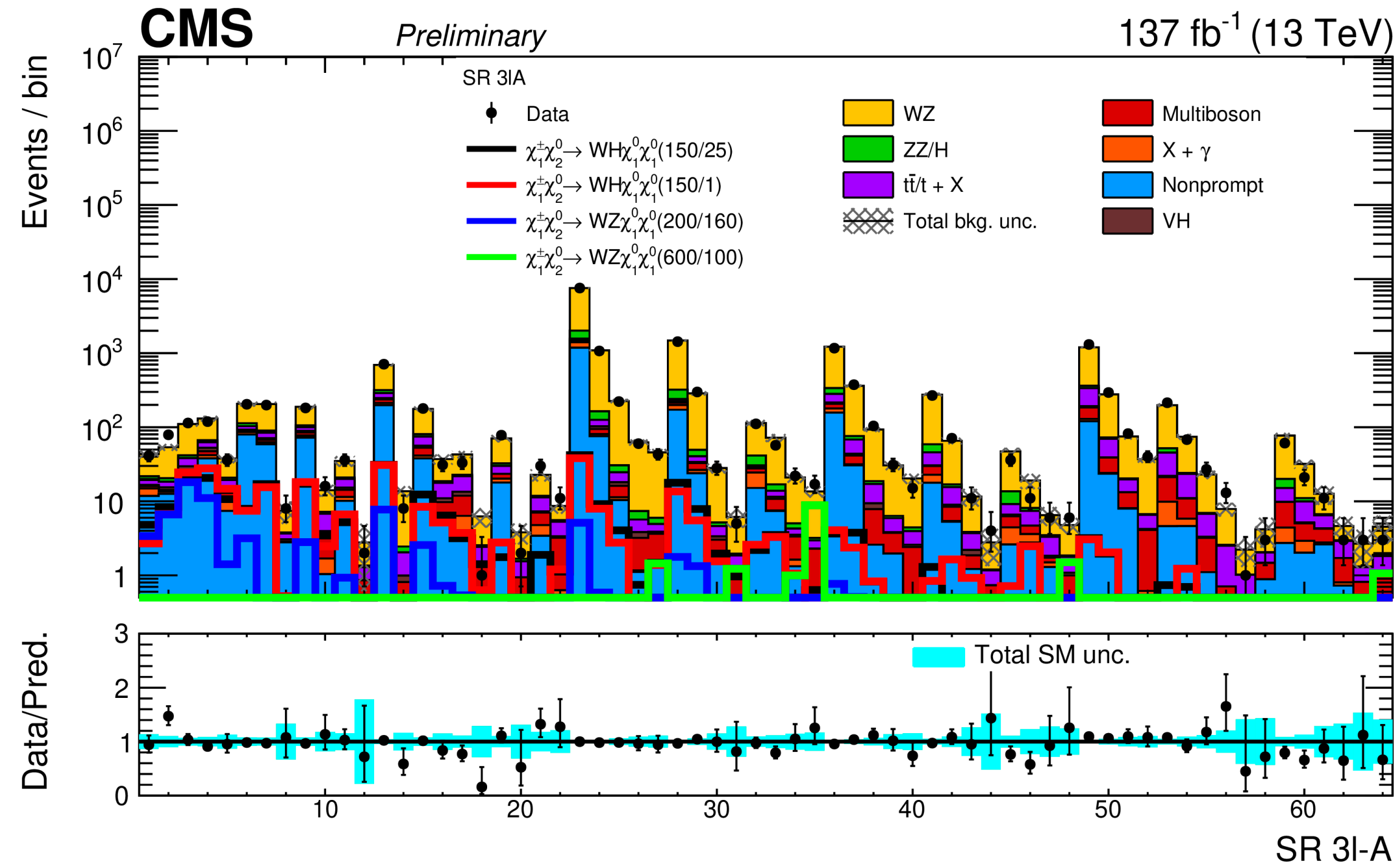
**Limits at 95%CL:**

**CMS:  $\text{Br}(H_{\text{inv}}) < 15\%$  (8%) (Eur. Phys. J. C 83 (2023) 933)**

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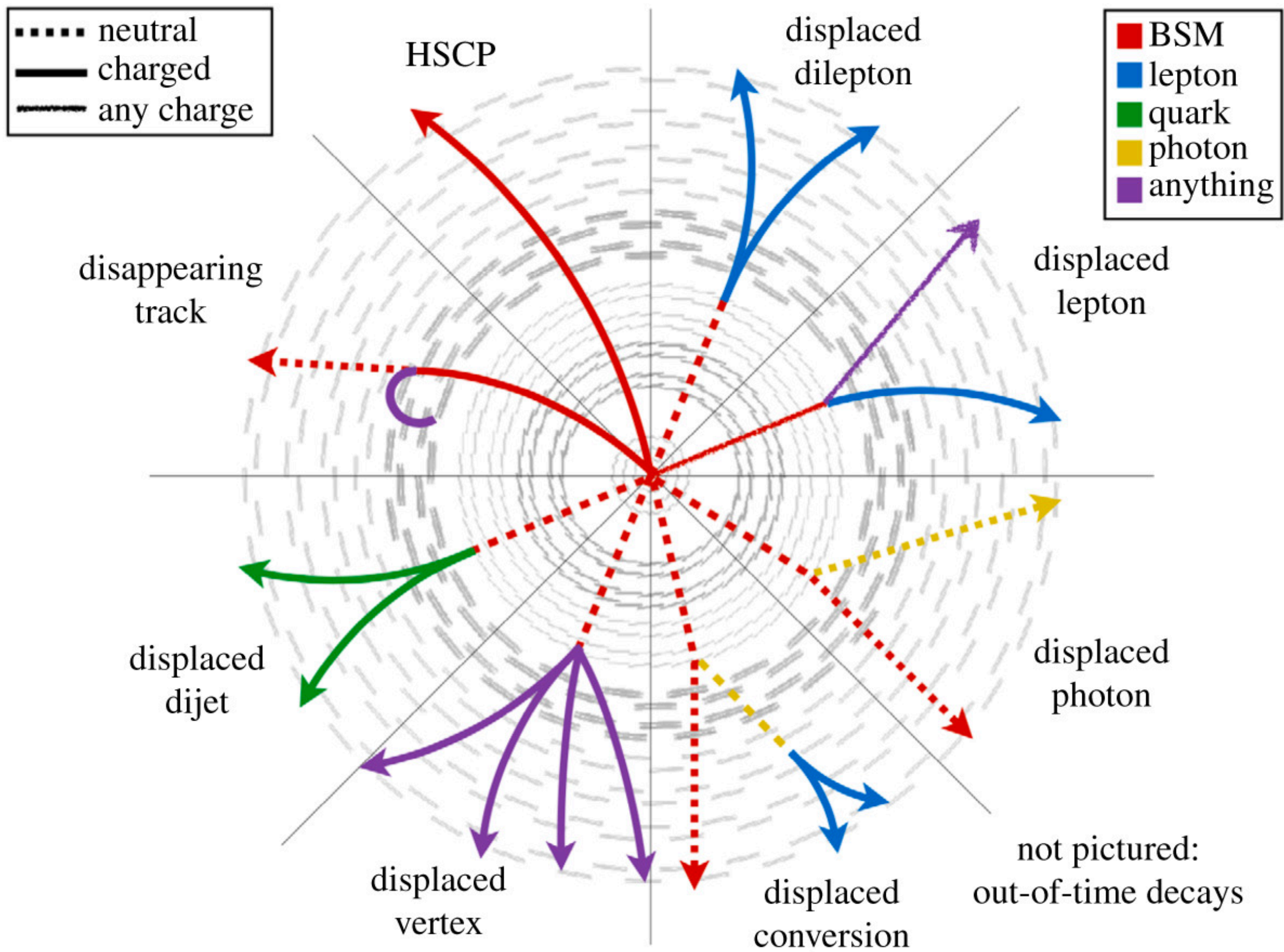


# COMPLEX PHASESPACES, SMALL SIGNALS → COMPLEX ML ANALYSIS



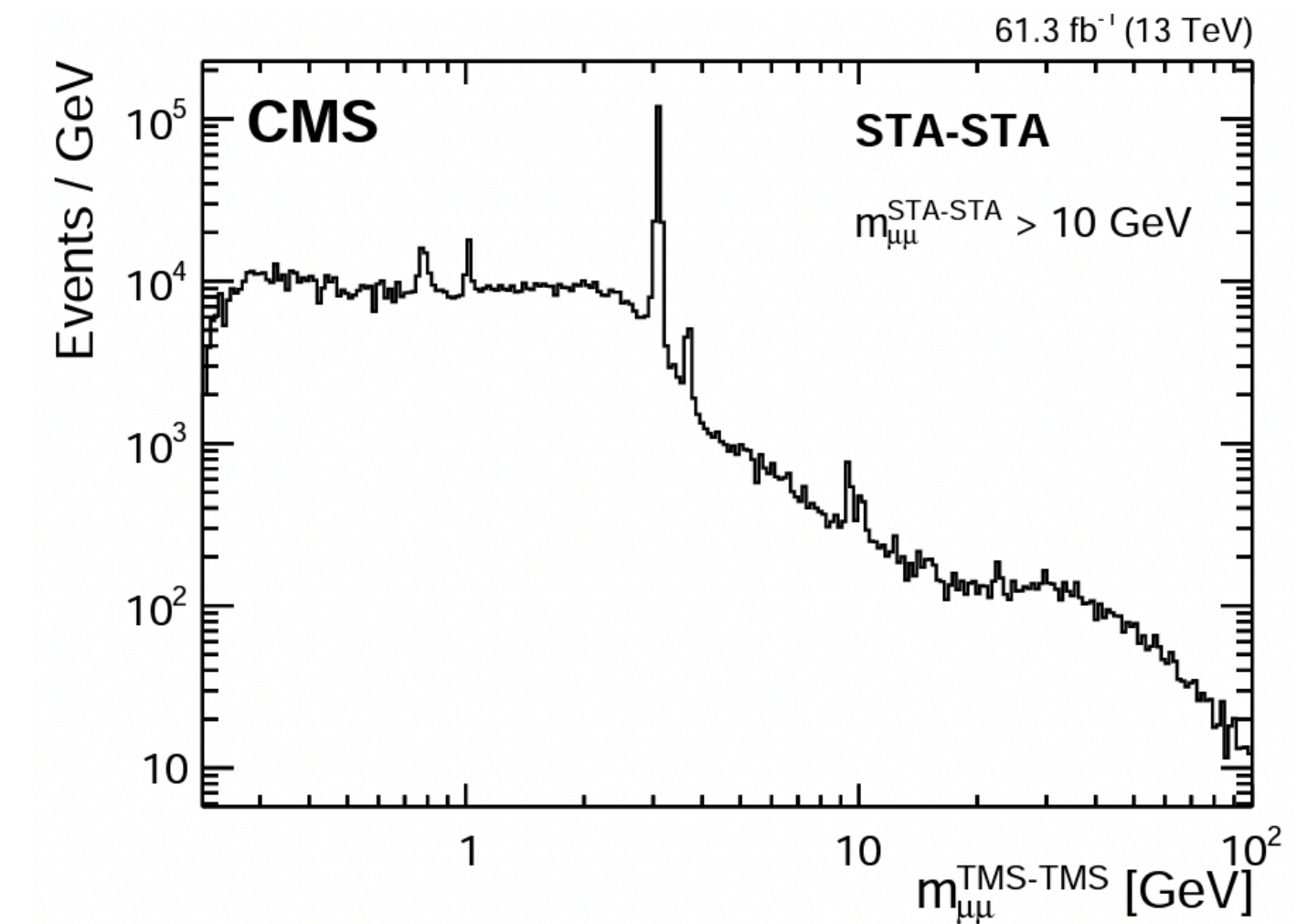
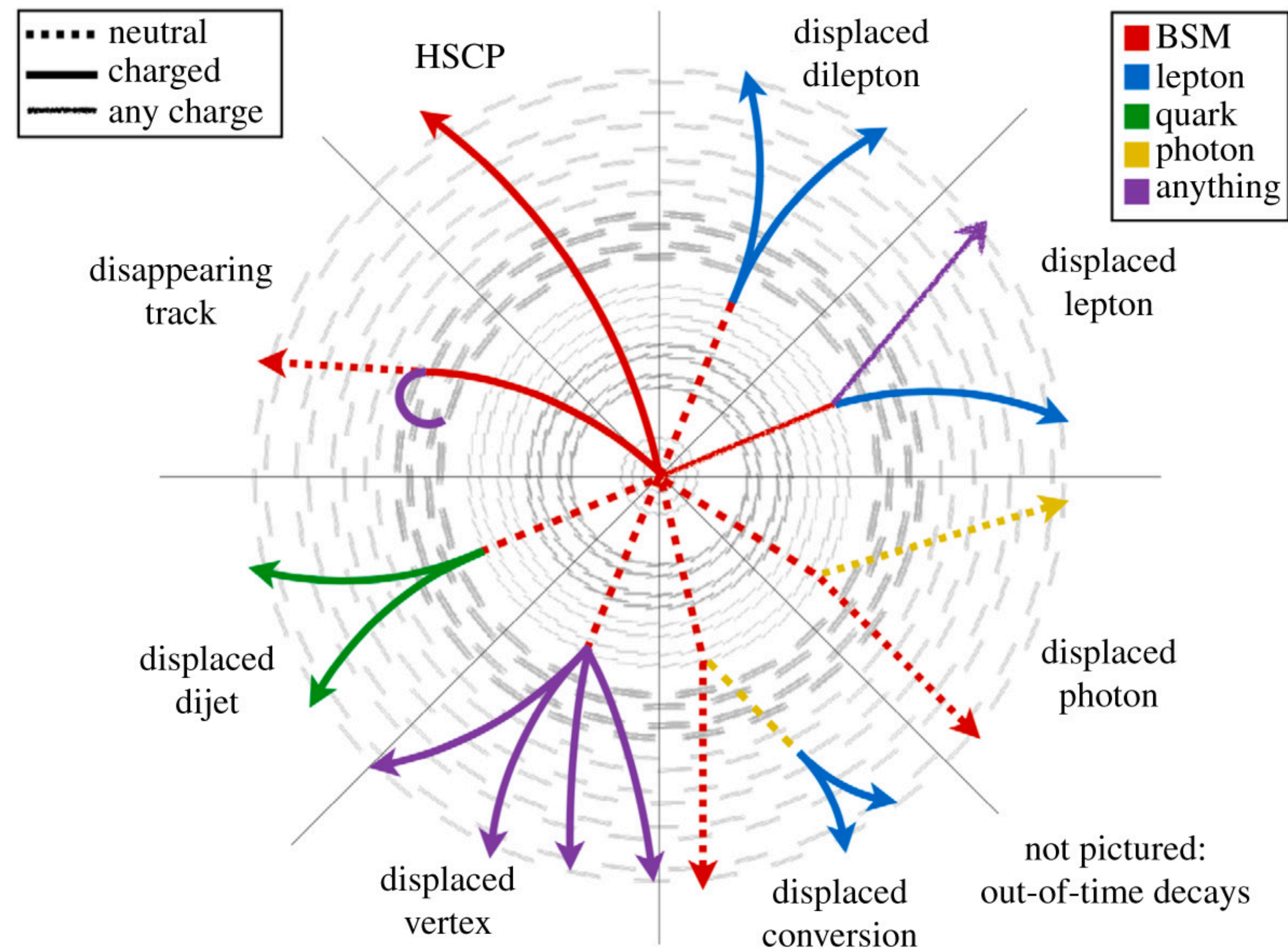


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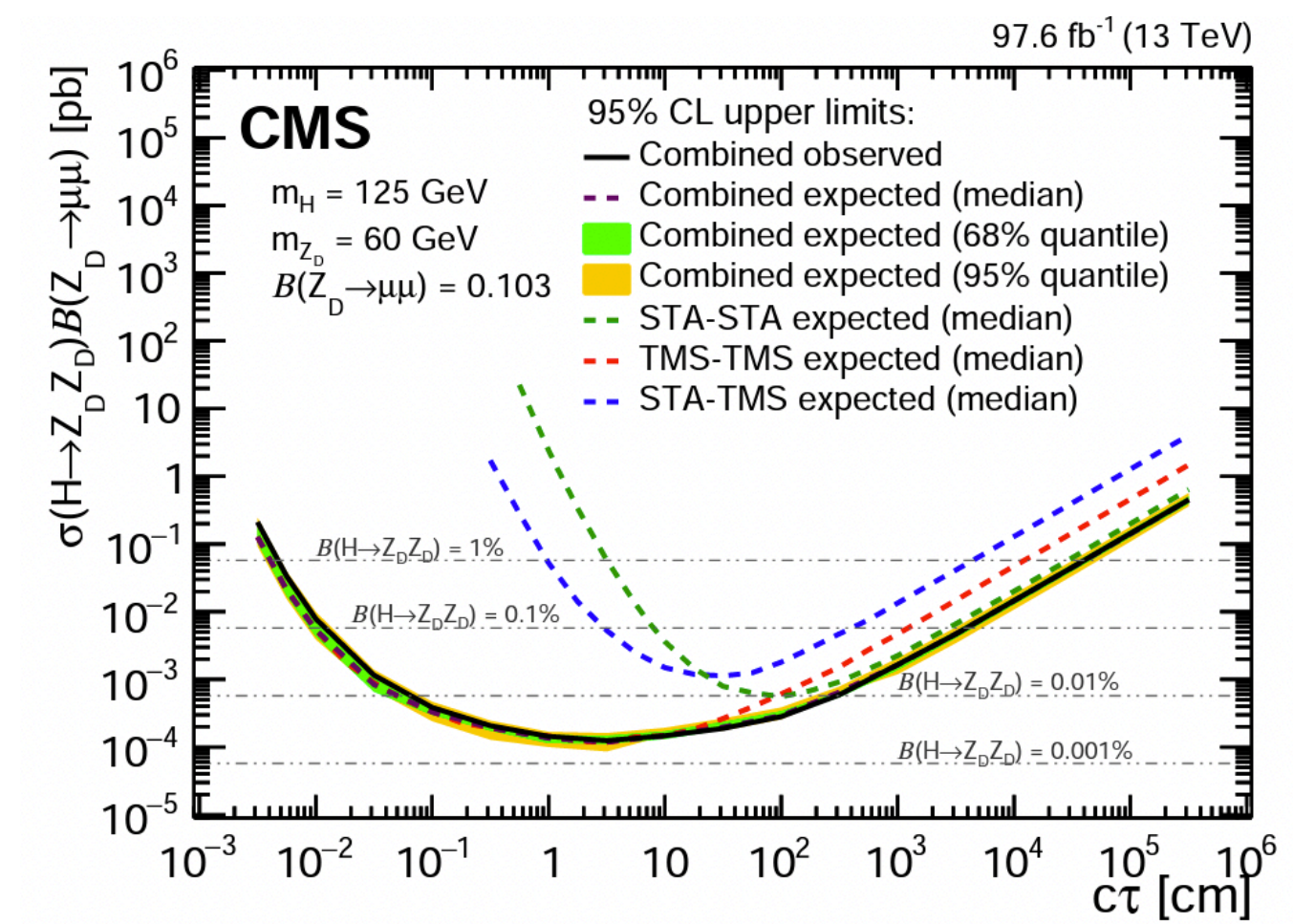
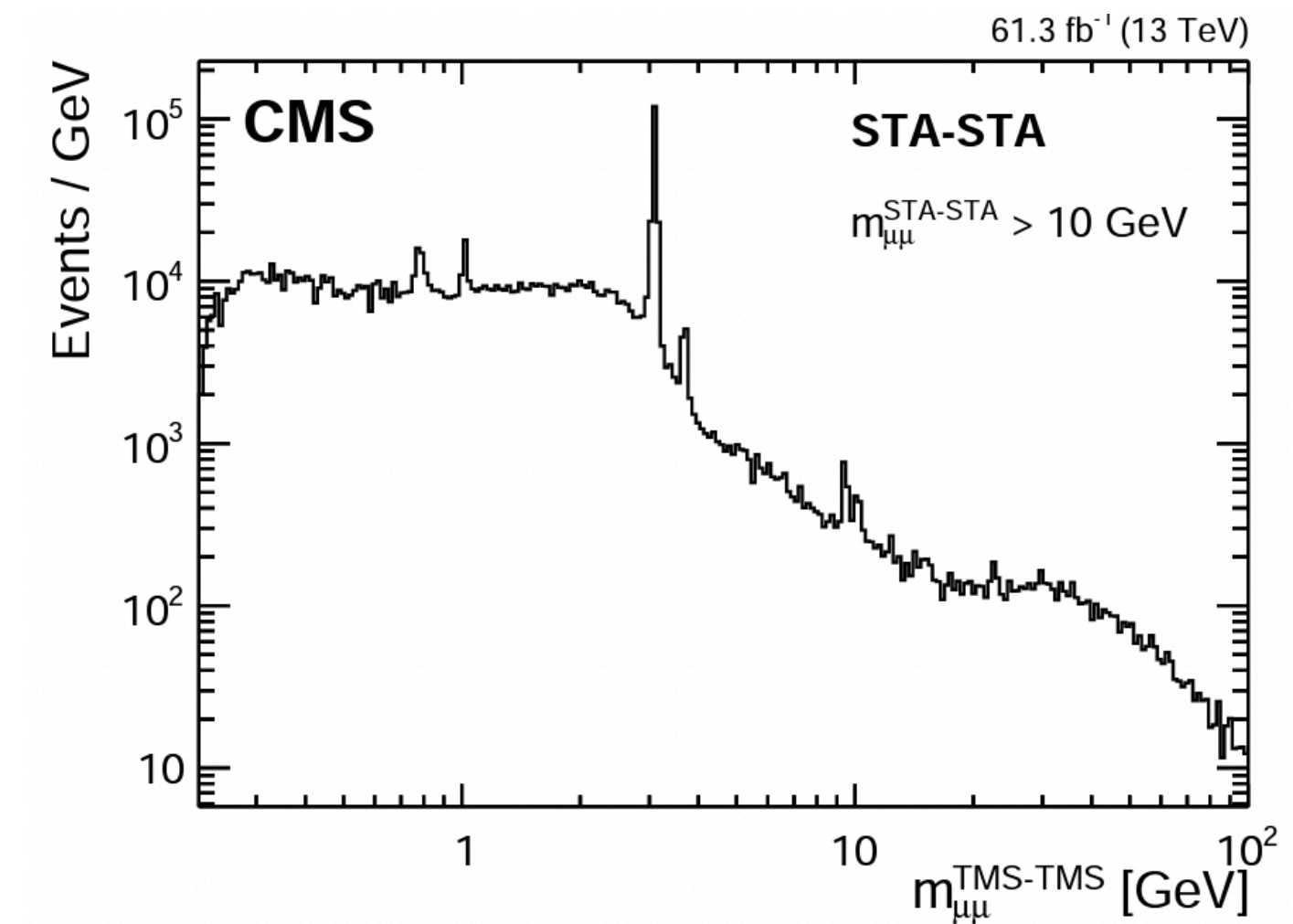
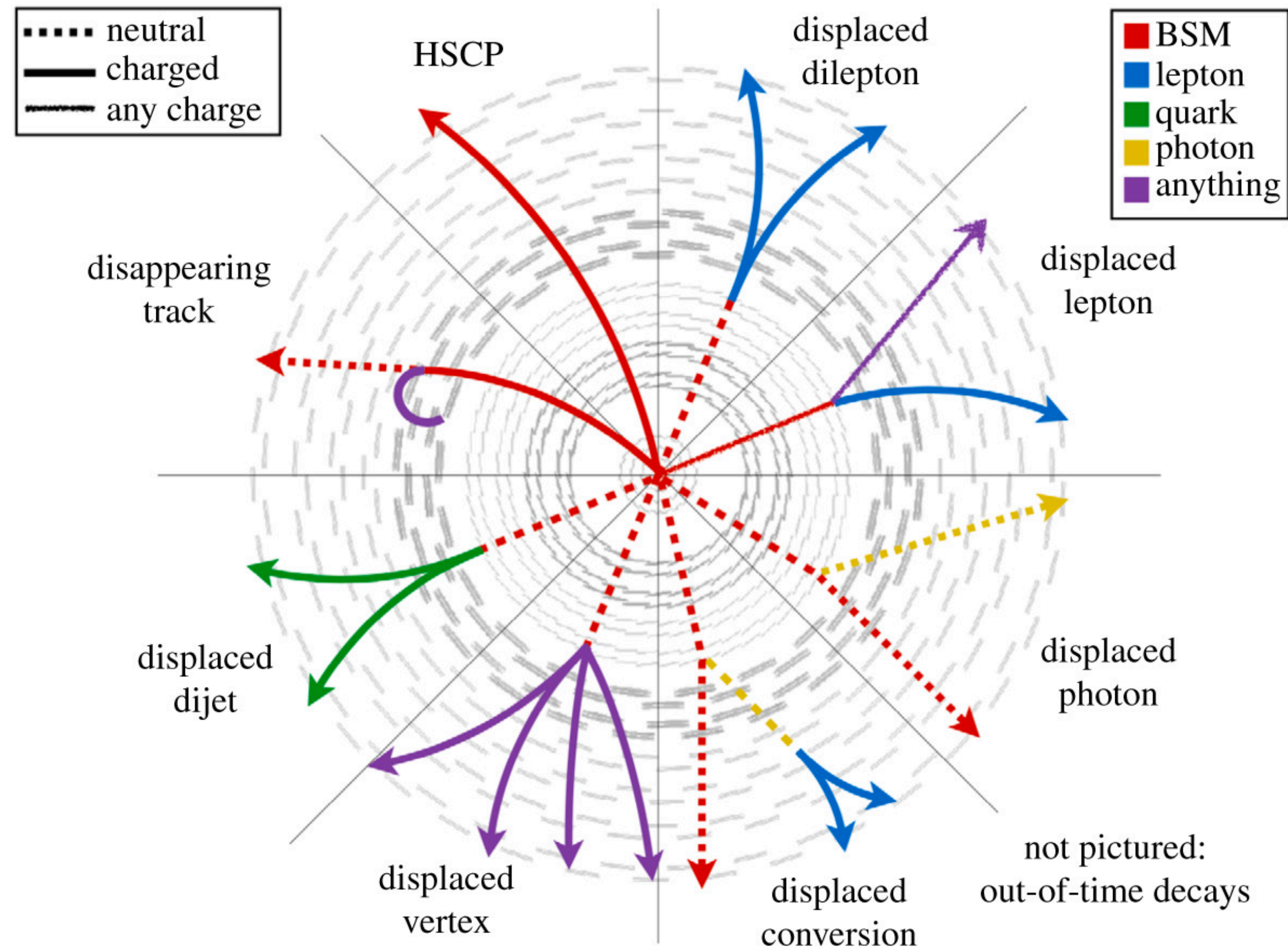


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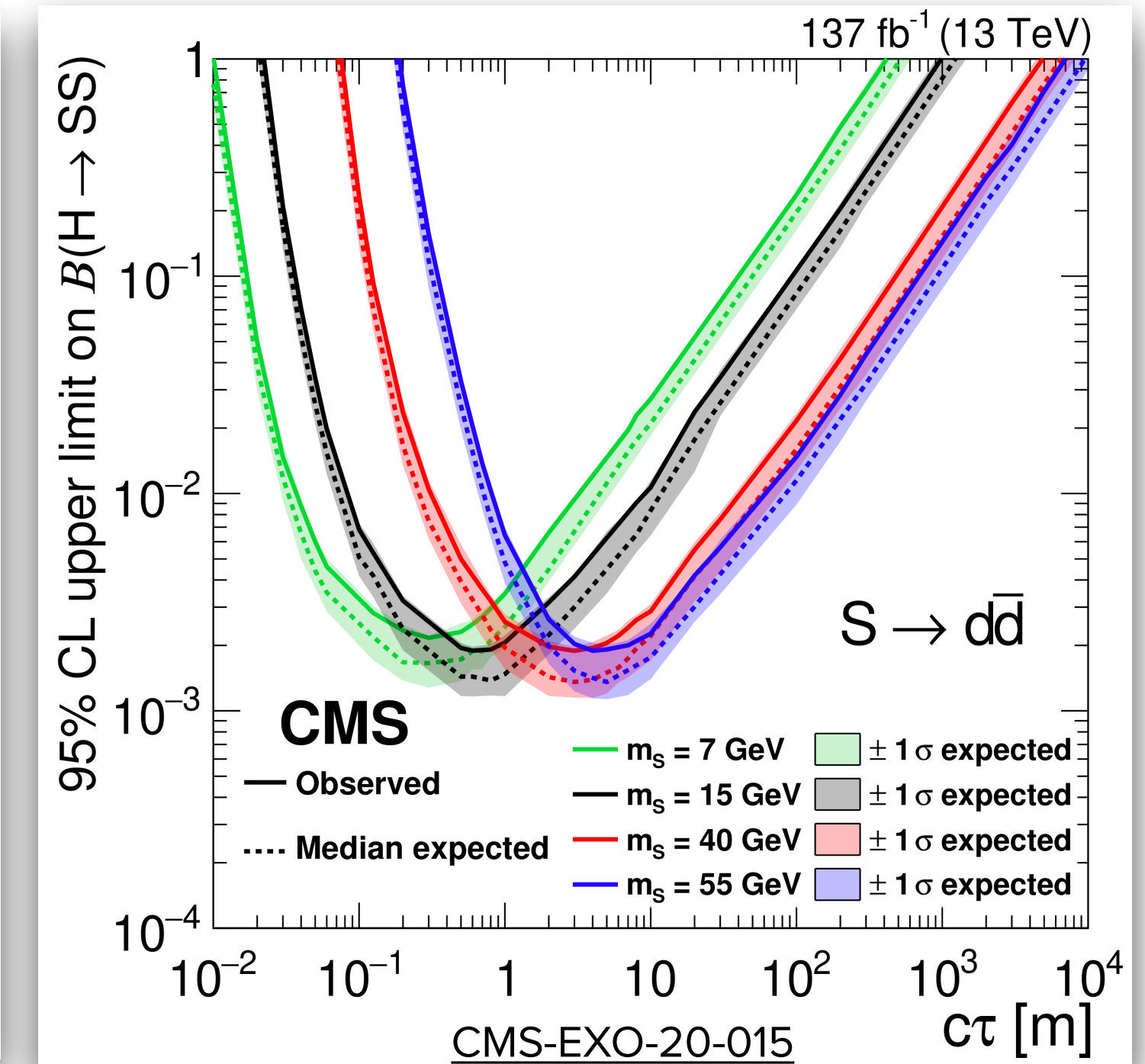
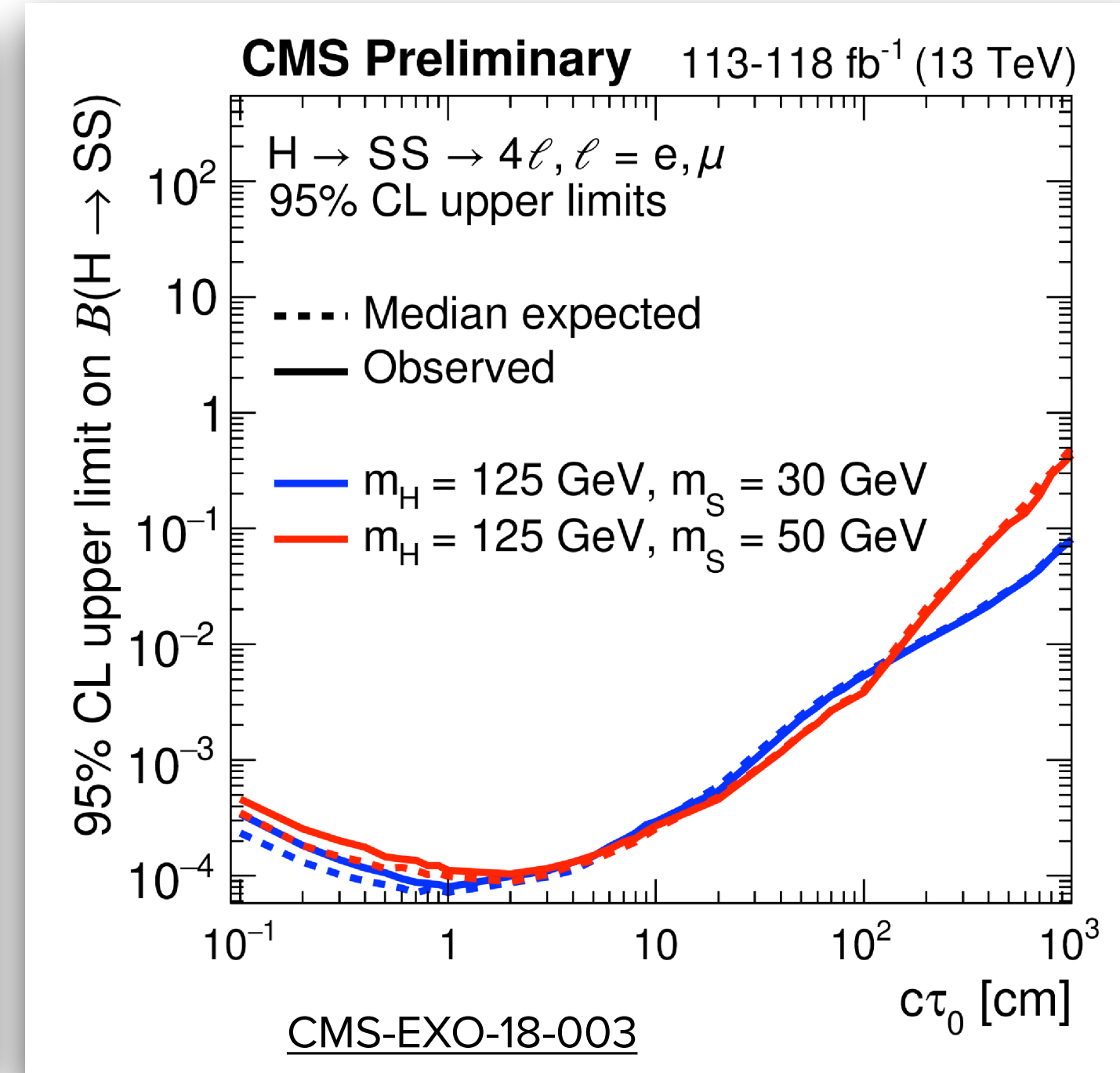
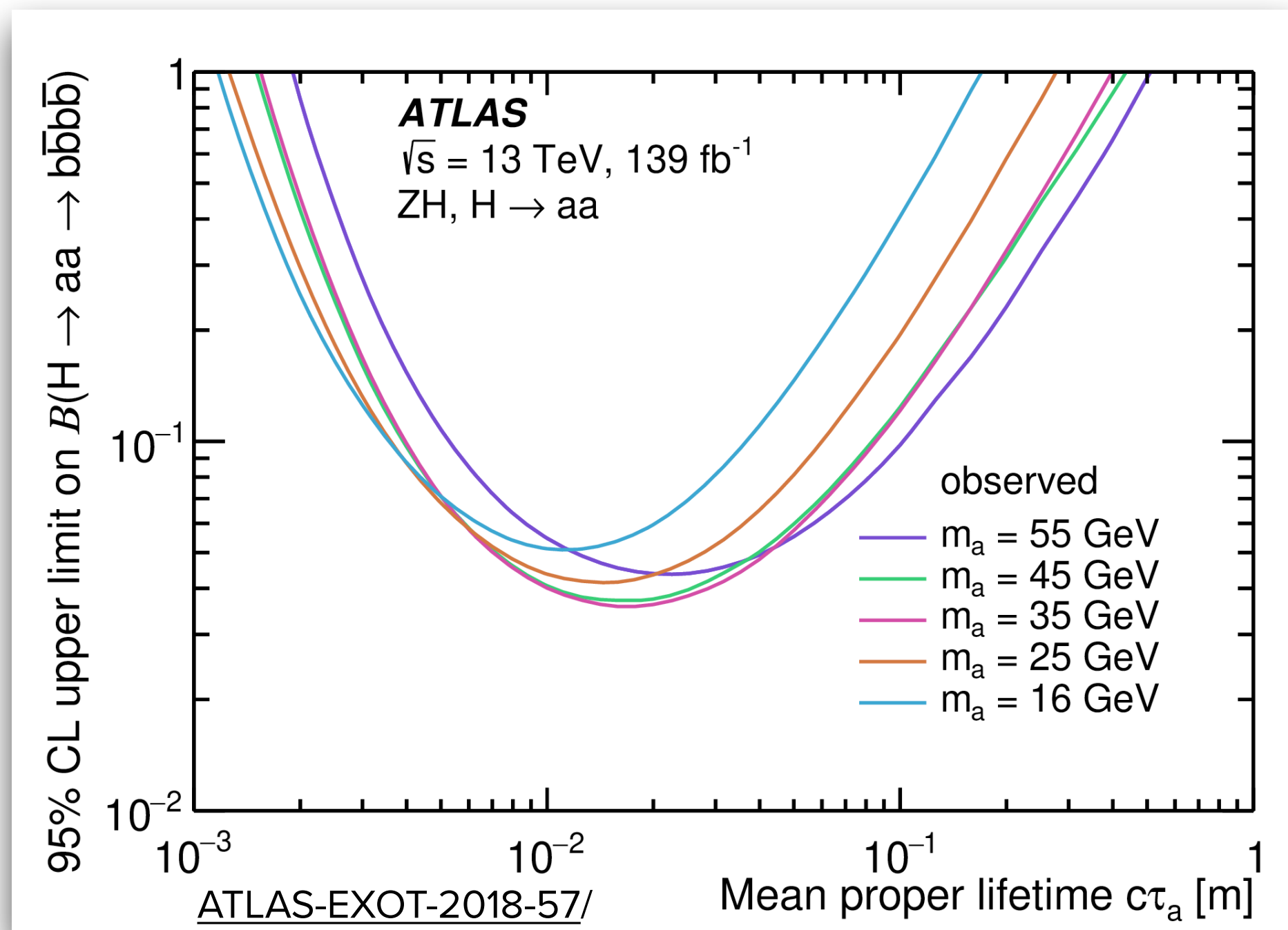
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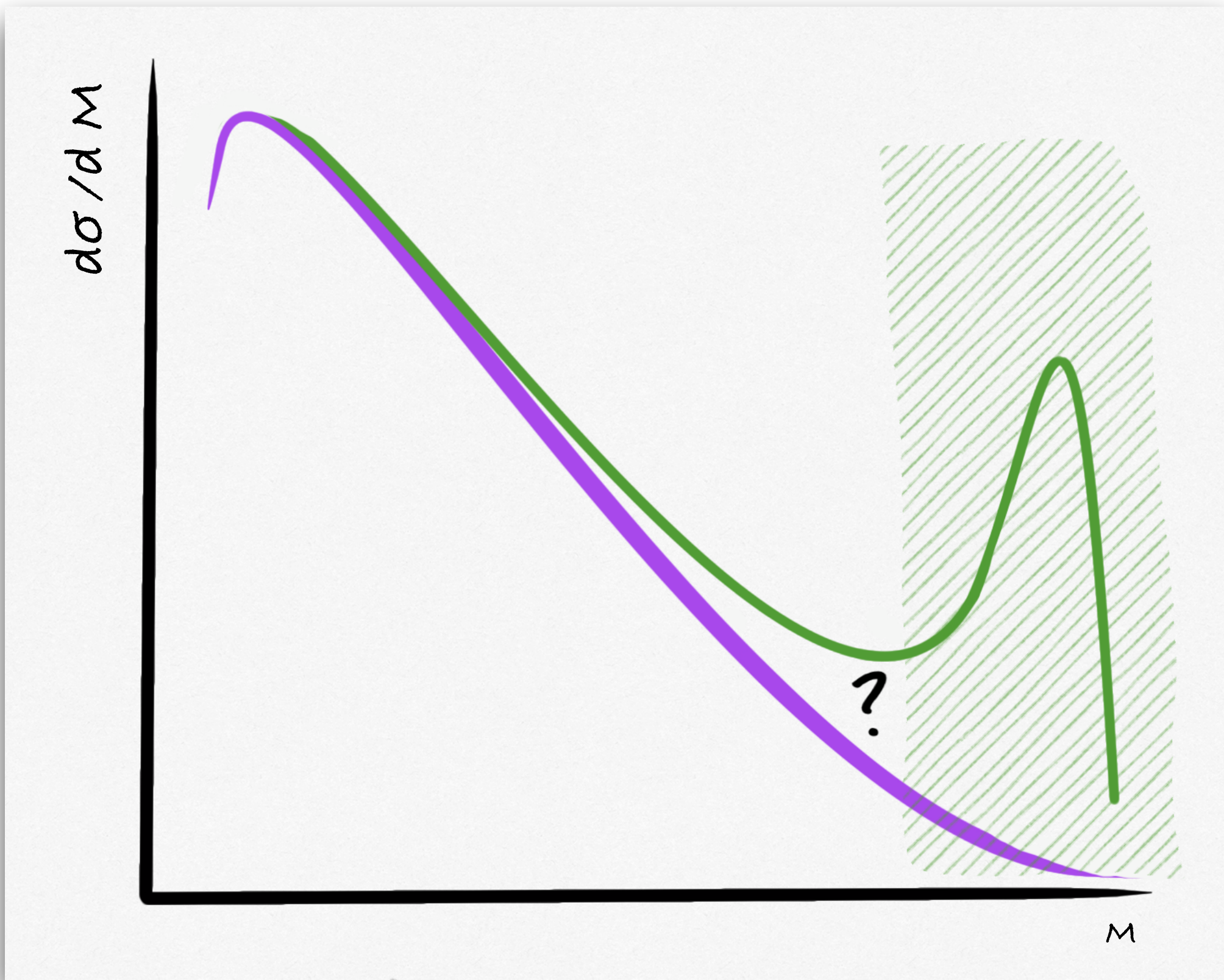
- Looking for exotic Higgs decays goes beyond the traditional  $h \rightarrow aa/ss$  searches
- Effort ongoing to probe for decays to Dark Bosons, ALPs, Long Lived particles: one of the next frontiers





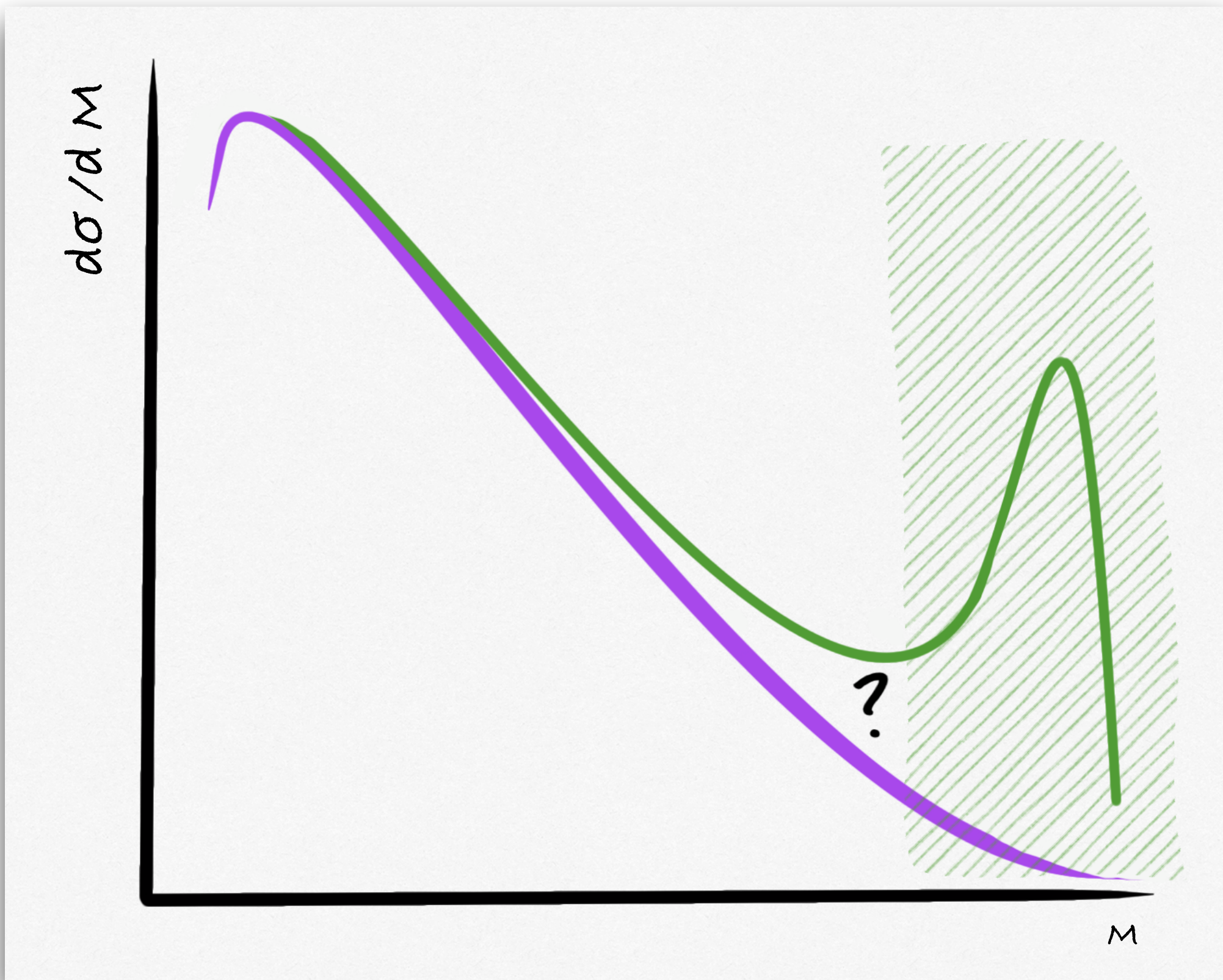
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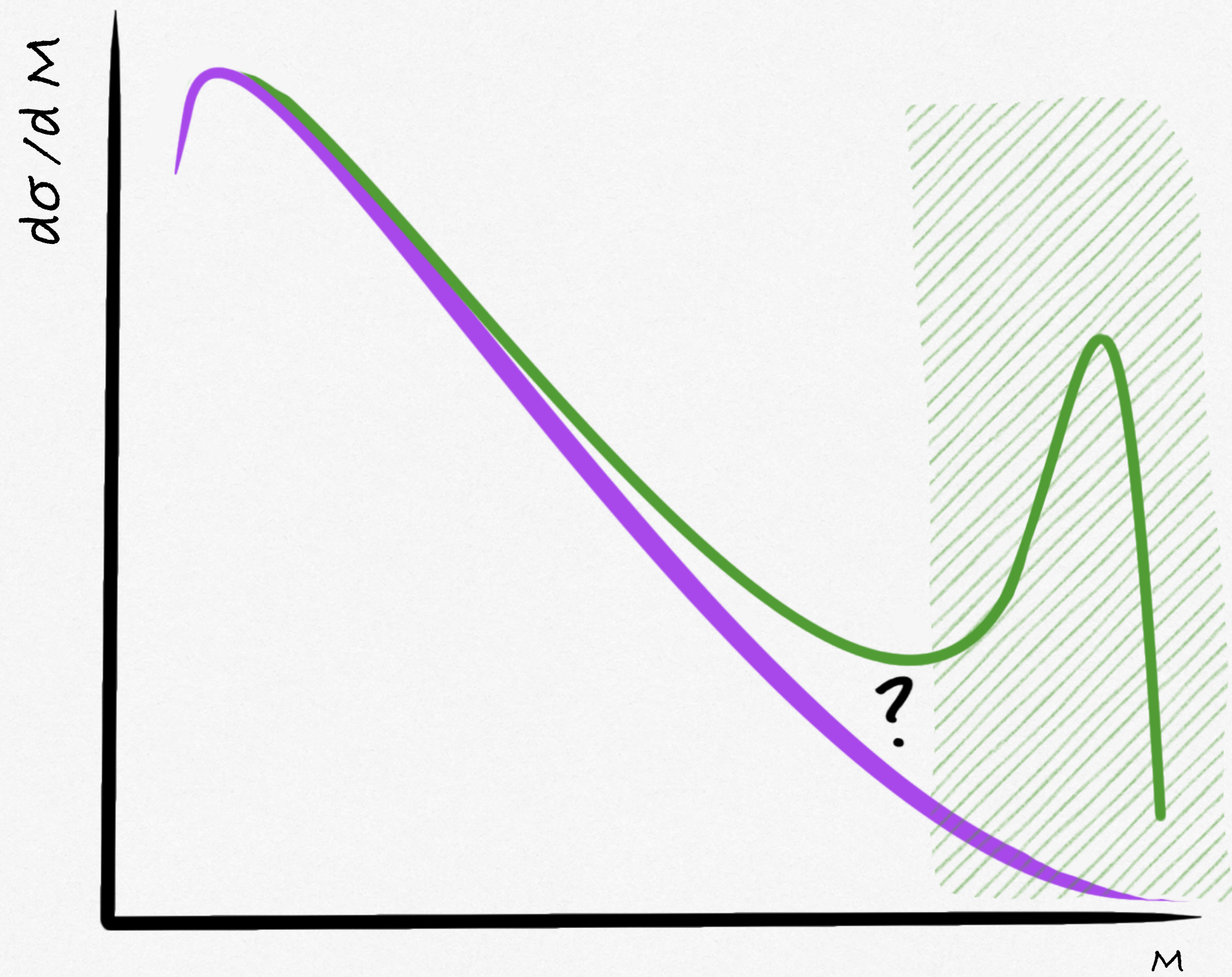
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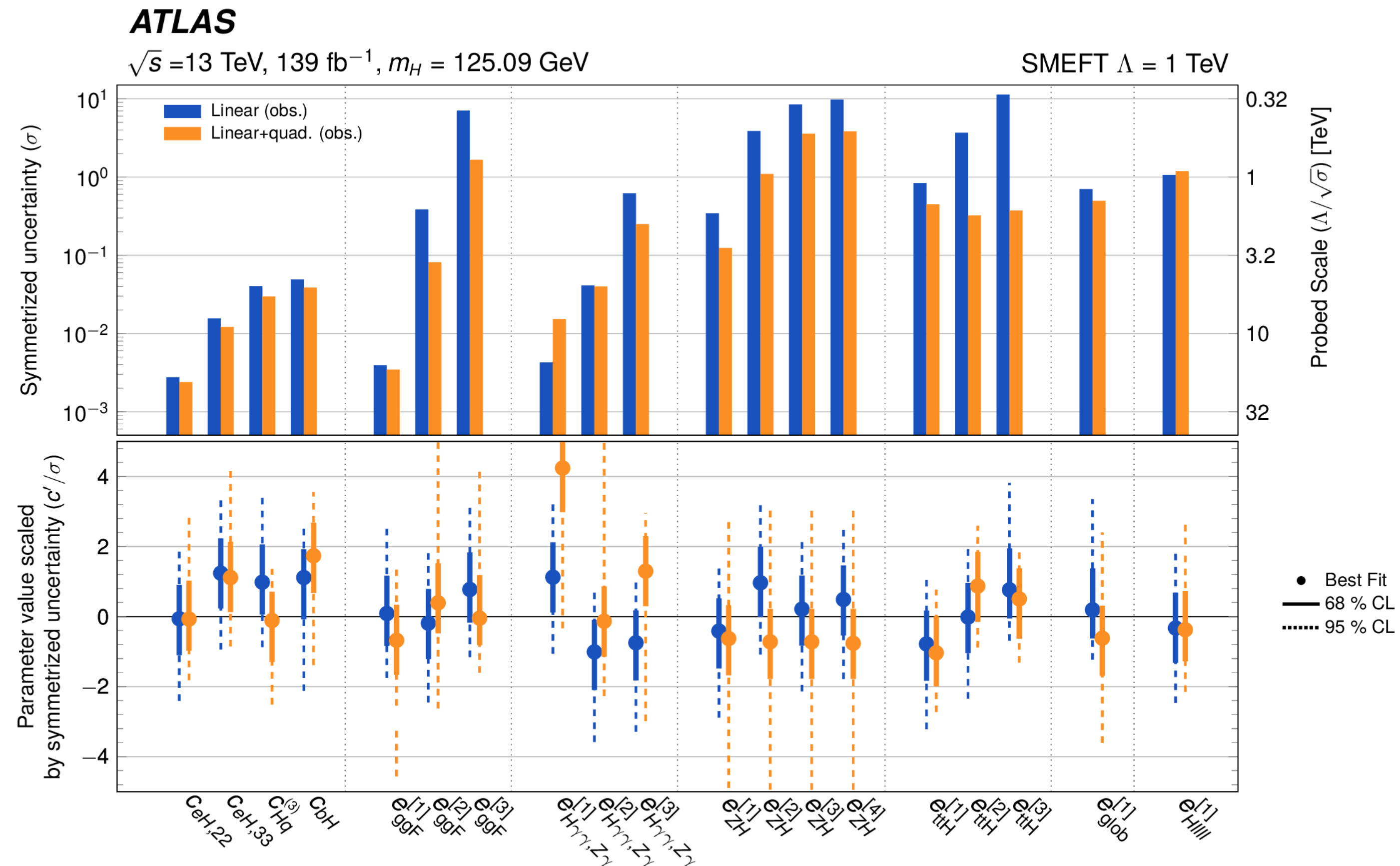


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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i^{N_{d6}} \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} O_i^{(6)} + \sum_j^{N_{d8}} \frac{b_j}{\Lambda^4} O_j^{(8)} + \dots,$$

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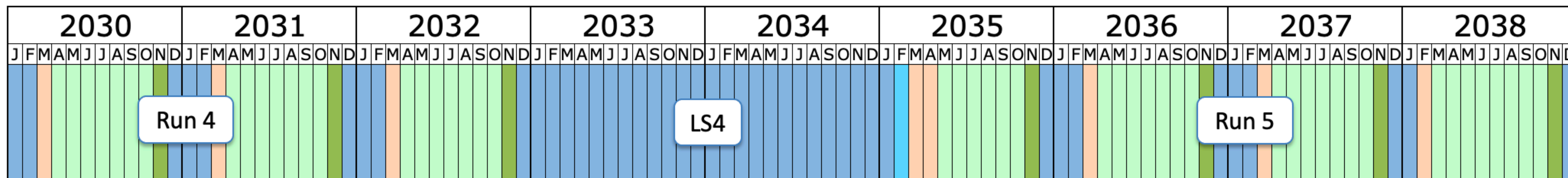
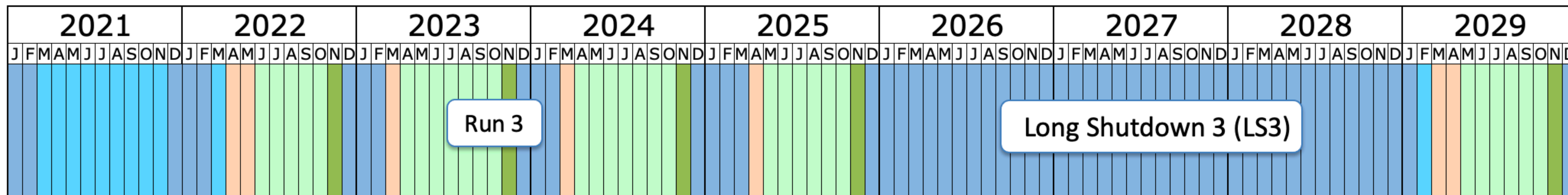
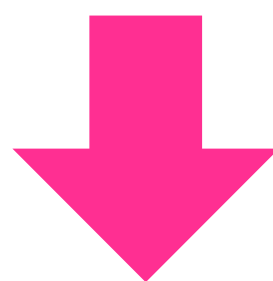




- We have analyzed only  $\sim 5\%$  of the data that the LHC will ultimately collect ( $\sim 140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  out of  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , + partial analysis of Run3)
- We have not yet seen clear signs of new physics, but we have only excluded the simplest options
  - Nobody said nature was simple...
- We continue to explore, pushing for new and more complex signatures
- In parallel, measuring accurately takes us to the frontier of knowledge: measuring and searching are two sides of the same coin



# WHAT NEXT?



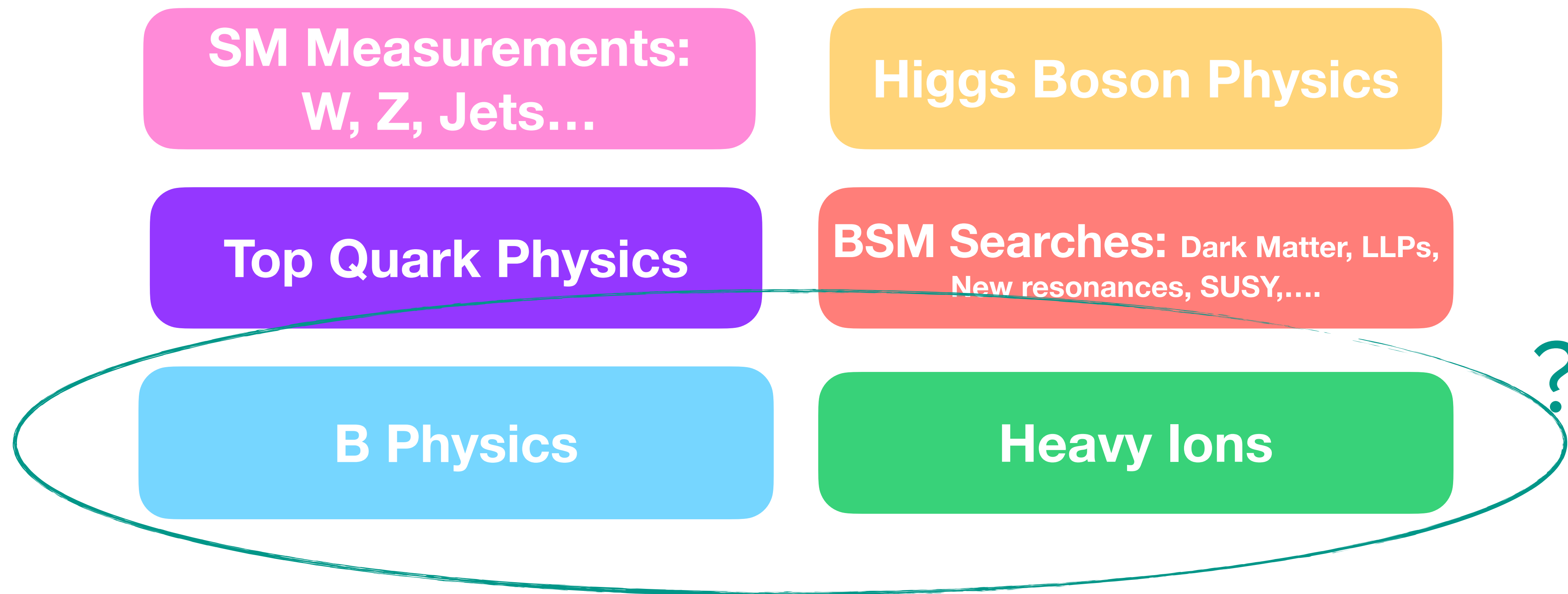
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- Shutdown/Technical stop
- Protons physics
- Ions
- Commissioning with beam
- Hardware commissioning/magnet training

Lots of data to come...



# EVERYTHING?



This is not all...  
I leave Bphysics and Heavy Ions to other lecturers

# SUMMARY

- The LHC is an unprecedentedly successful machine, **many experiments in one.**
  - In its first decade we have explored the world of particle physics in depth and delivered thousands of important precision measurements that cement our understanding of the SM **\_AND\_** explored multiple different scenarios of new physics to go beyond its limits...
  - ... plus we discovered a new particle :), central to the SM, and fundamental to bring particle physics forward
- We are exploring the SM in depth through **precision studies in the QCD and EW realm:**
  - Foundation on which any LHC physics to do any other analyses
  - Measurement of fundamental SM parameters like  $m_W$ ,  $m_t$ ,  $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}$ , ...
  - Much more to come: precision takes time
- **The LHC is a 'Top Factory'**, and the top a great laboratory to really explore the limits of our understanding of QCD



# SUMMARY

- Understanding the nature of the **Higgs** is a priority for the field (European and American strategies dixit), and right now the LHC is the only machine able to study it:
  - In 2012 we knew we had found a new particle that looked like the Higgs boson, but we did not yet know what it was
  - 10 years later, we have measured its properties, observed it couple to bosons and fermions, and studied of its kinematics with increasing precision. It is now one of our best tools to understand the standard model and go beyond. We clearly surpassed many of the initial expectations, but there are many measurements to come, eg the self-coupling
  - Do we understand what it is, what it implies for the universe? Measuring precisely its properties is one of the keys to the unknown BSM realm, and one of the main goals of experimental particle physics today.
- **New physics searches at high masses/scales:**
  - One of the main objectives of the LHC program. Nothing new/exciting found until now, but still not the last word: Scope being extended to more exotic signatures and complicated phase spaces
  - More luminosity & detector enhancements in the next years should enlarge the scale reach and uncover possible signals at lower masses hiding under the background
- **We have only explored a very small fraction of the full LHC dataset, a lot of work and data is yet to come to better measure (or break?) the SM**