



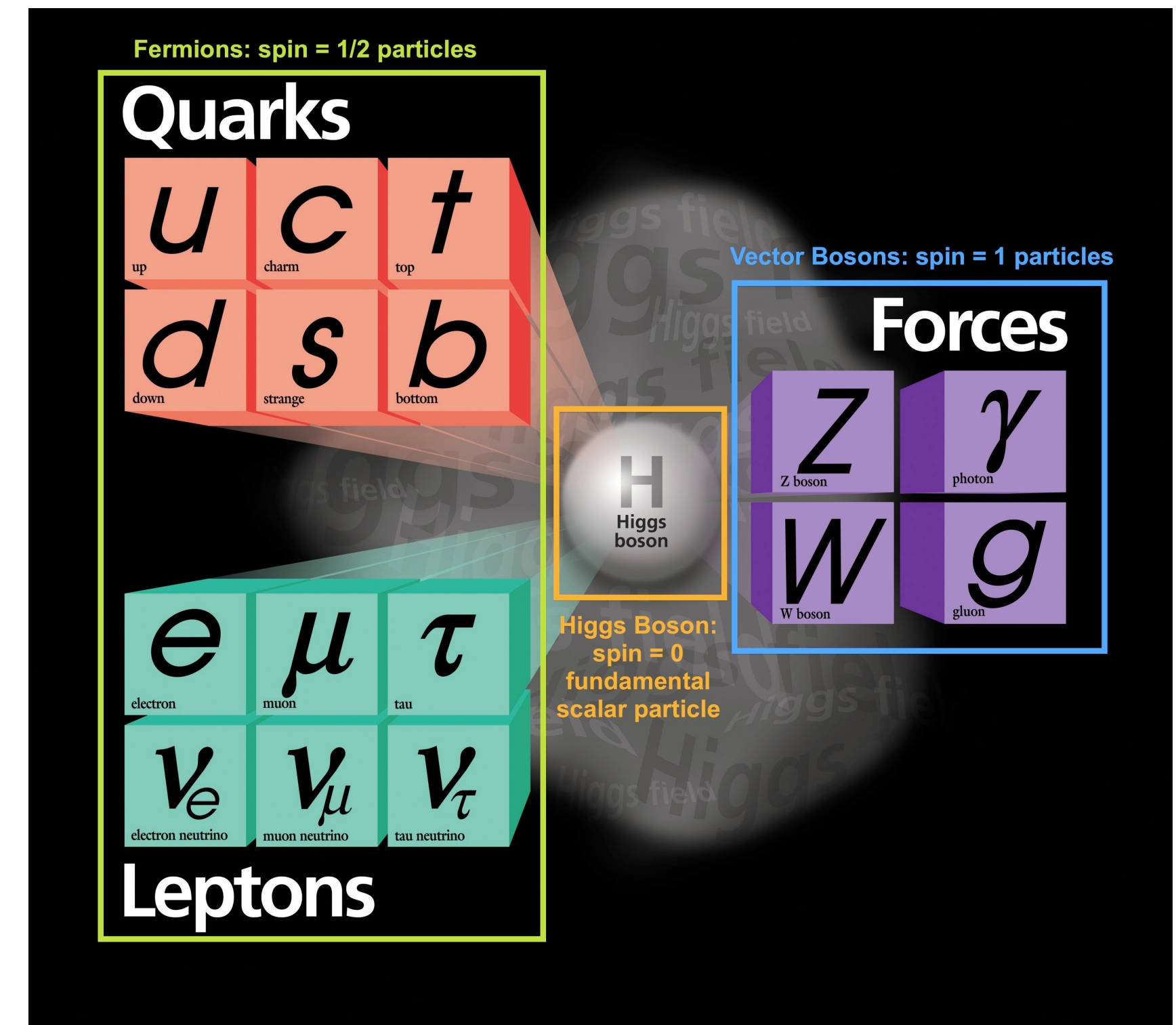
# Higgs Boson Measurements at the High-Luminosity LHC with the CMS detector

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# What have we learnt so far?

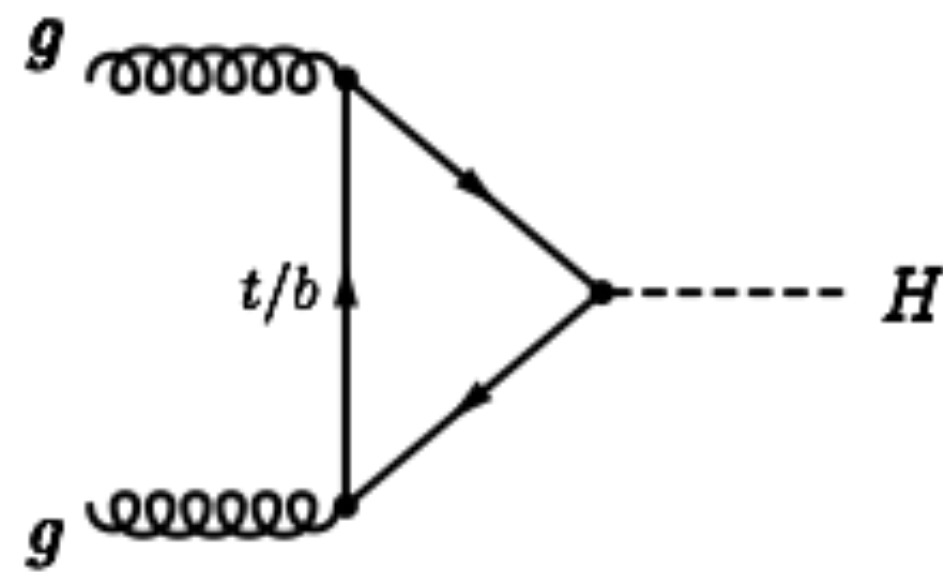
- LHC experiments confirm that the **SM is robust!**
- **No direct evidence of new physics at the LHC.**
- Many key questions still remain unanswered:
  - Hierarchy problem
  - Unknown “dark” part (96% !) of the universe
  - Origin of matter-antimatter asymmetry
  - why is gravity so weak ?
- **Answers may lie at the TeV scale, providing a strong motivation to look for new physics.**



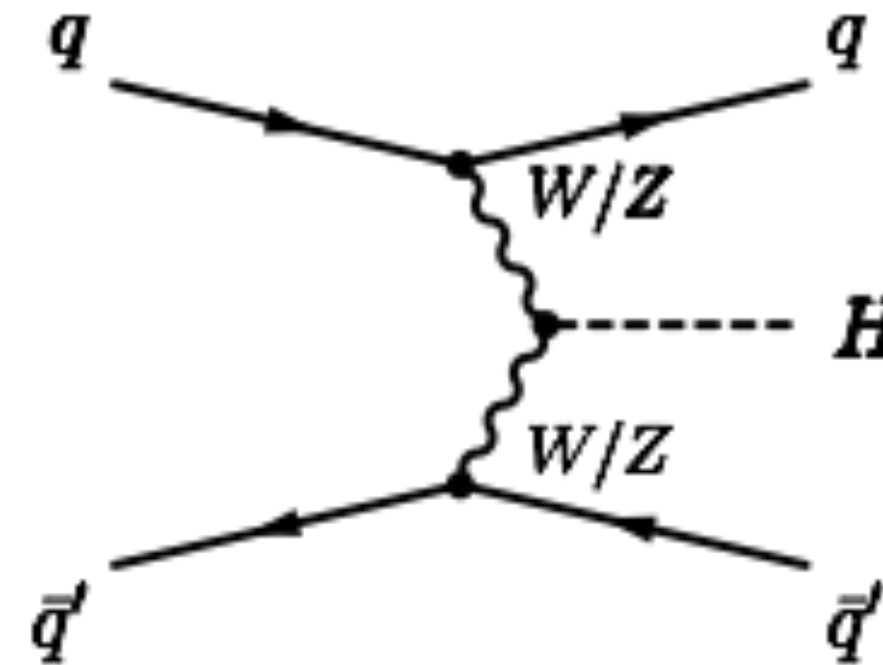
# Higgs boson main production mechanism at the LHC

125 GeV Higgs boson production cross section @13 TeV

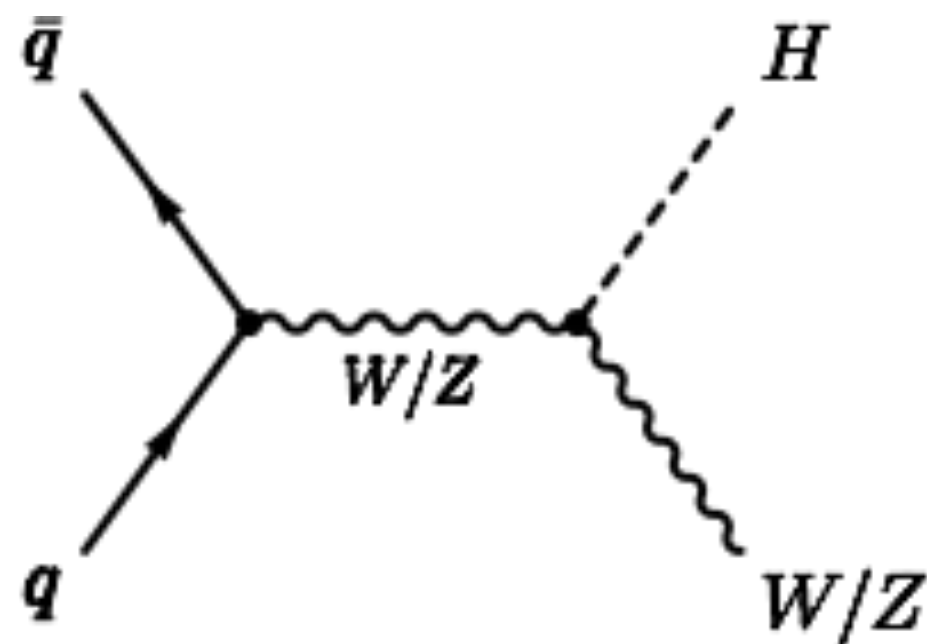
**Gluon-fusion (ggH)**  
48.5 pb ~87%



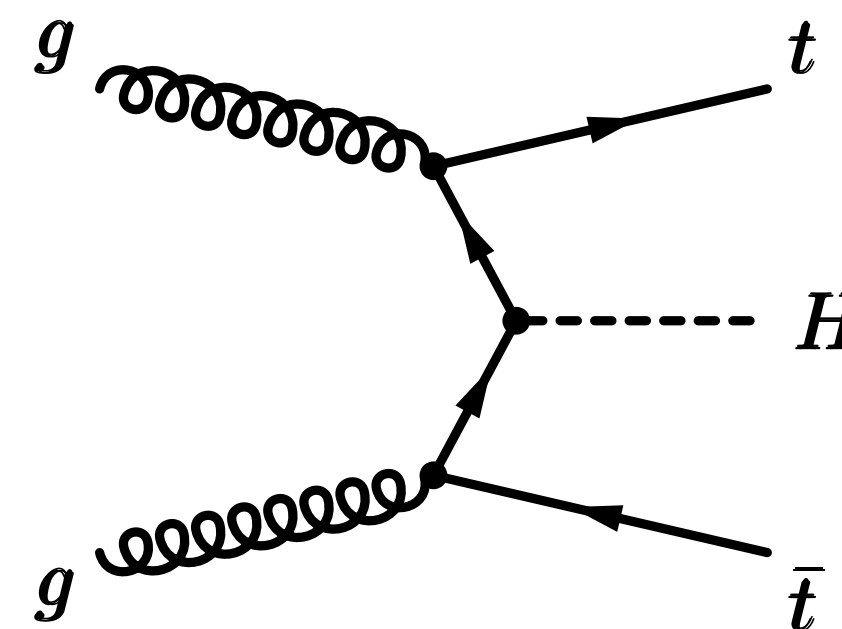
**Vector boson fusion (VBF)**  
3.8 pb ~7%



**Associated Higgs production with a W or Z boson (VH):**  
2.3 pb ~ 4%

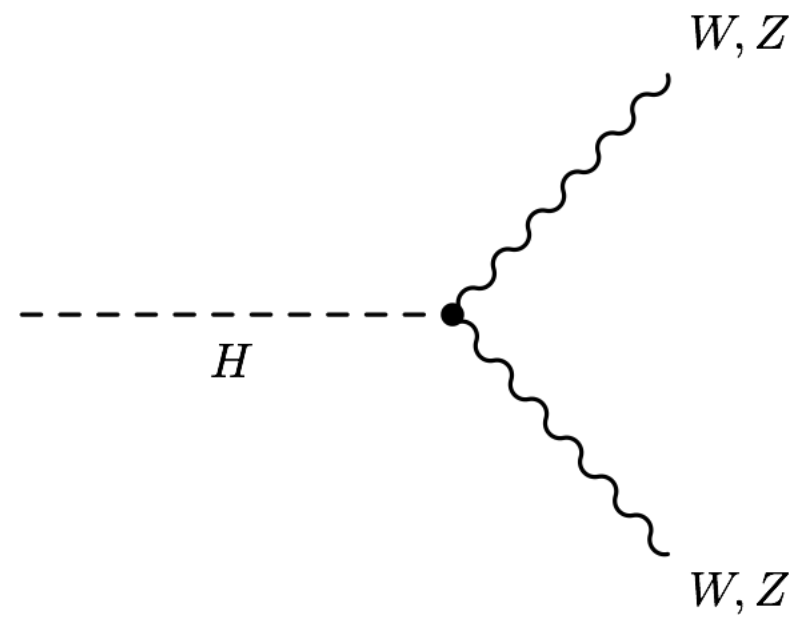


**Associated Higgs production with a top quark pair (ttH):** 0.5 pb ~1%

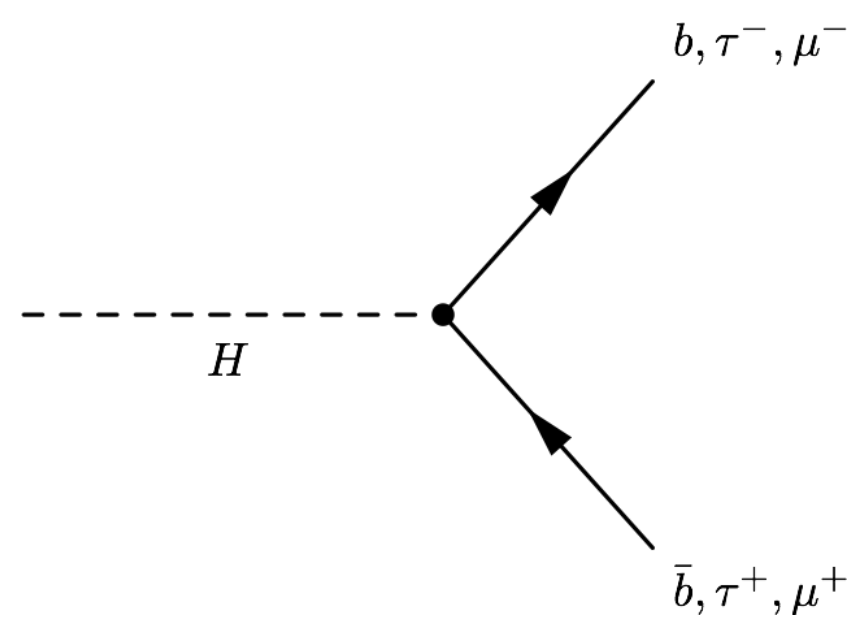


# Higgs boson main decay channels

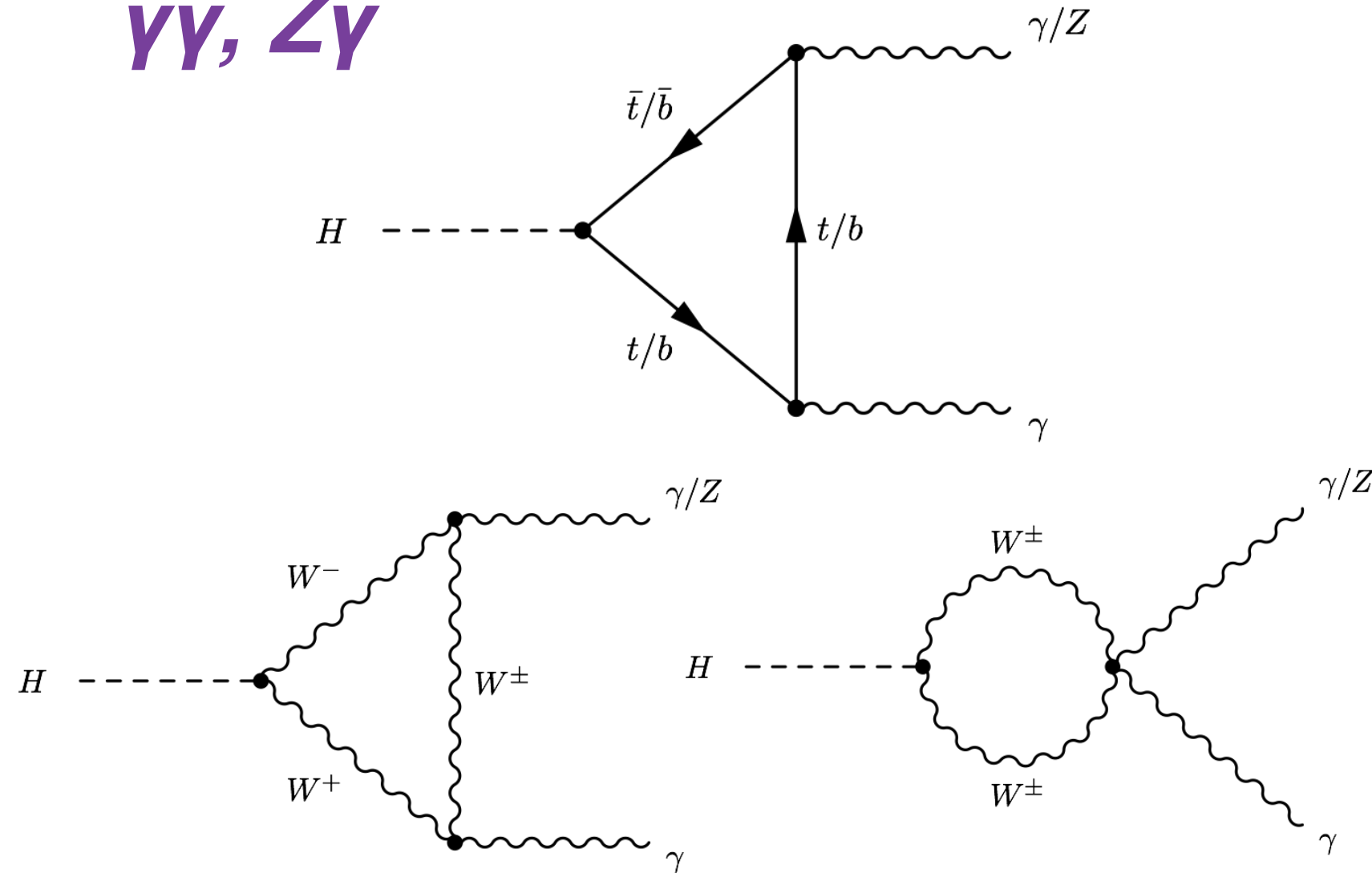
**ZZ, WW**



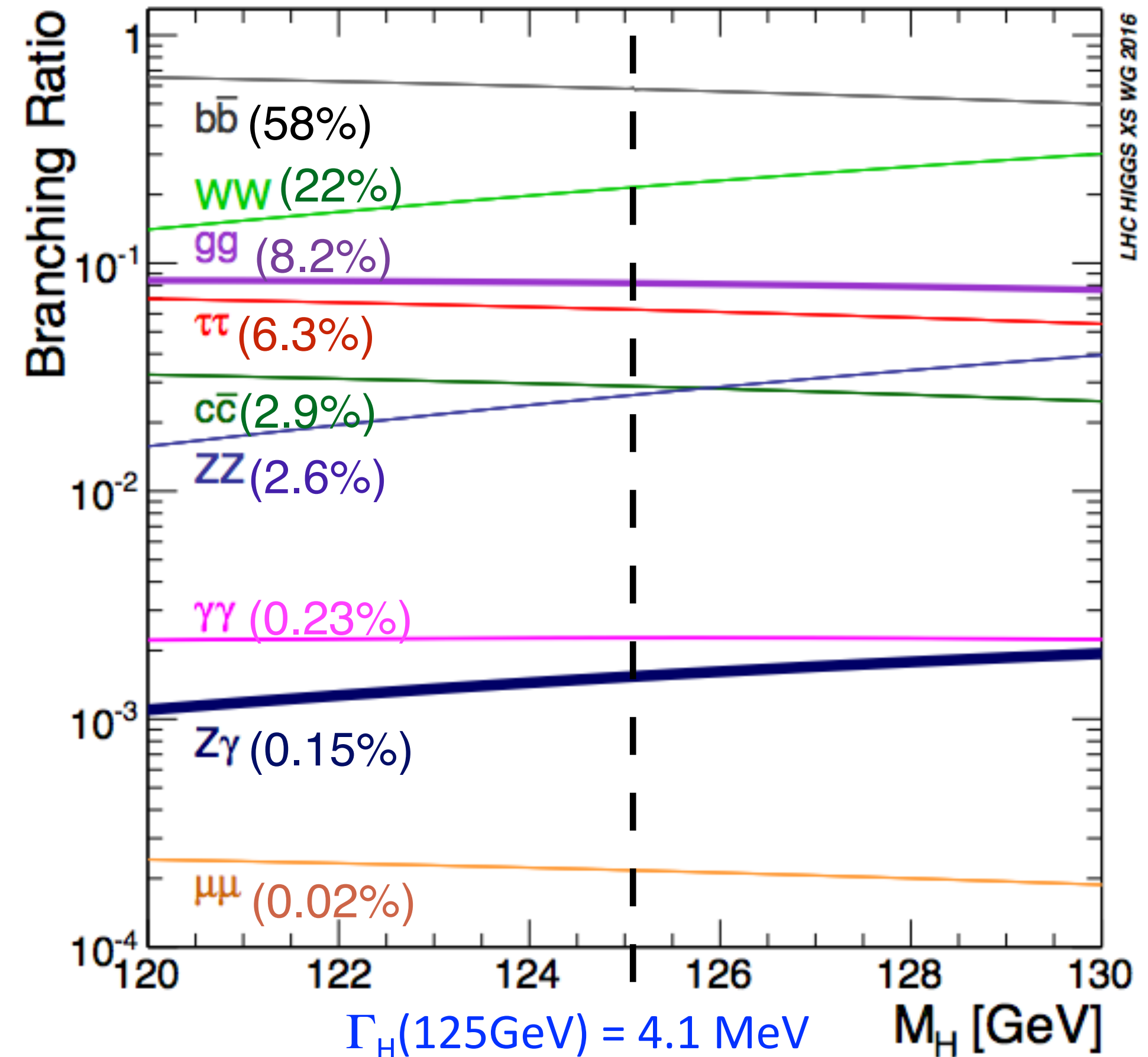
**bb,  $\tau\tau$ ,  $\mu\mu$**



**$\gamma\gamma$ ,  $Z\gamma$**



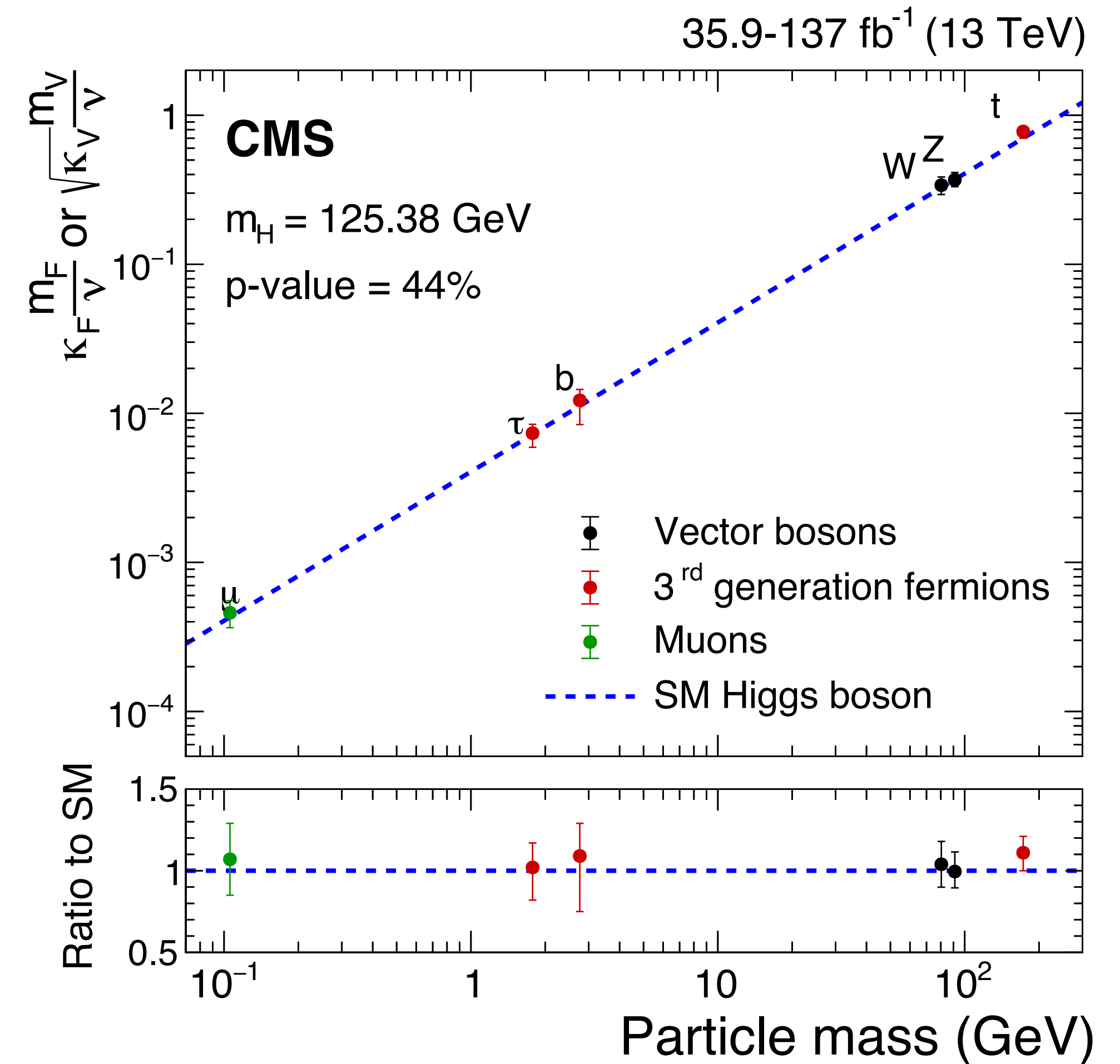
- bosonic decays in precision measurement stage:  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ ,  $WW^*$
- fermionic decays:  $bb$ ,  $\tau\tau$  observed
- channels not yet observed:  $cc$ ,  $\mu\mu$ ,  $Z\gamma$ , ...



# Higgs boson physics: where we are now

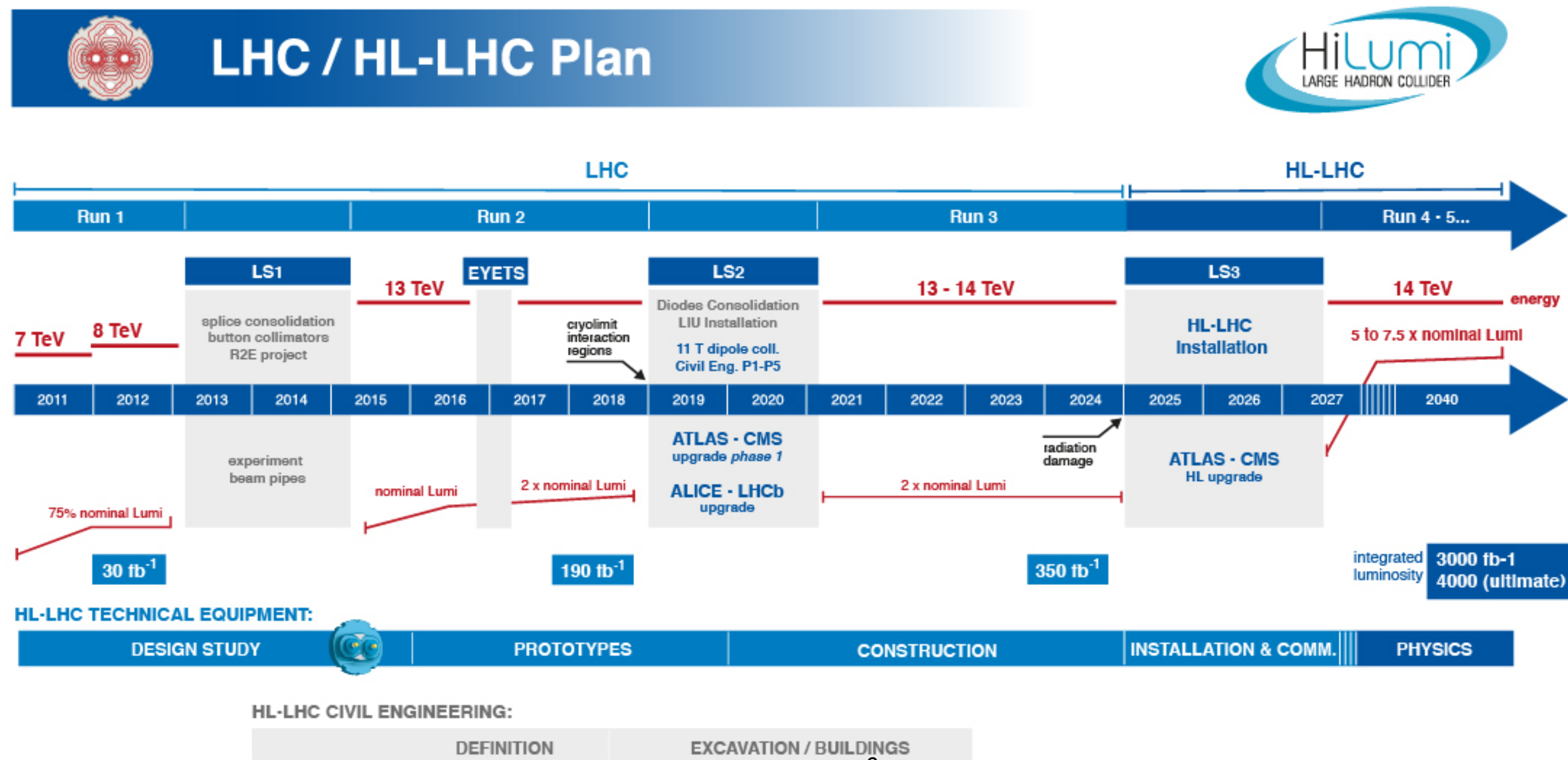
- Higgs boson mass measured down to 0.1%
- Higgs boson couplings to **W and Z boson** measured down to  $\sim 5\%$  precision, consistent with SM prediction
- Higgs boson couplings to fermions:
  - **3rd generation fermions** t, b,  $\tau$  have been established
  - **2nd generation fermions:  $3\sigma$  evidence for  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$  by CMS**

[CMS-HIG-19-006](#)



# What can the HL-LHC do?

- It provides access to new particles indirectly [deviations from SM expectations, indirect loop contributions and very rare processes]
- With the HL-LHC, it will deliver 3/ab (x20 today's data sample) @ 14 TeV.
- Precise study of "SM-like" Higgs properties (discussed in next slides in details).



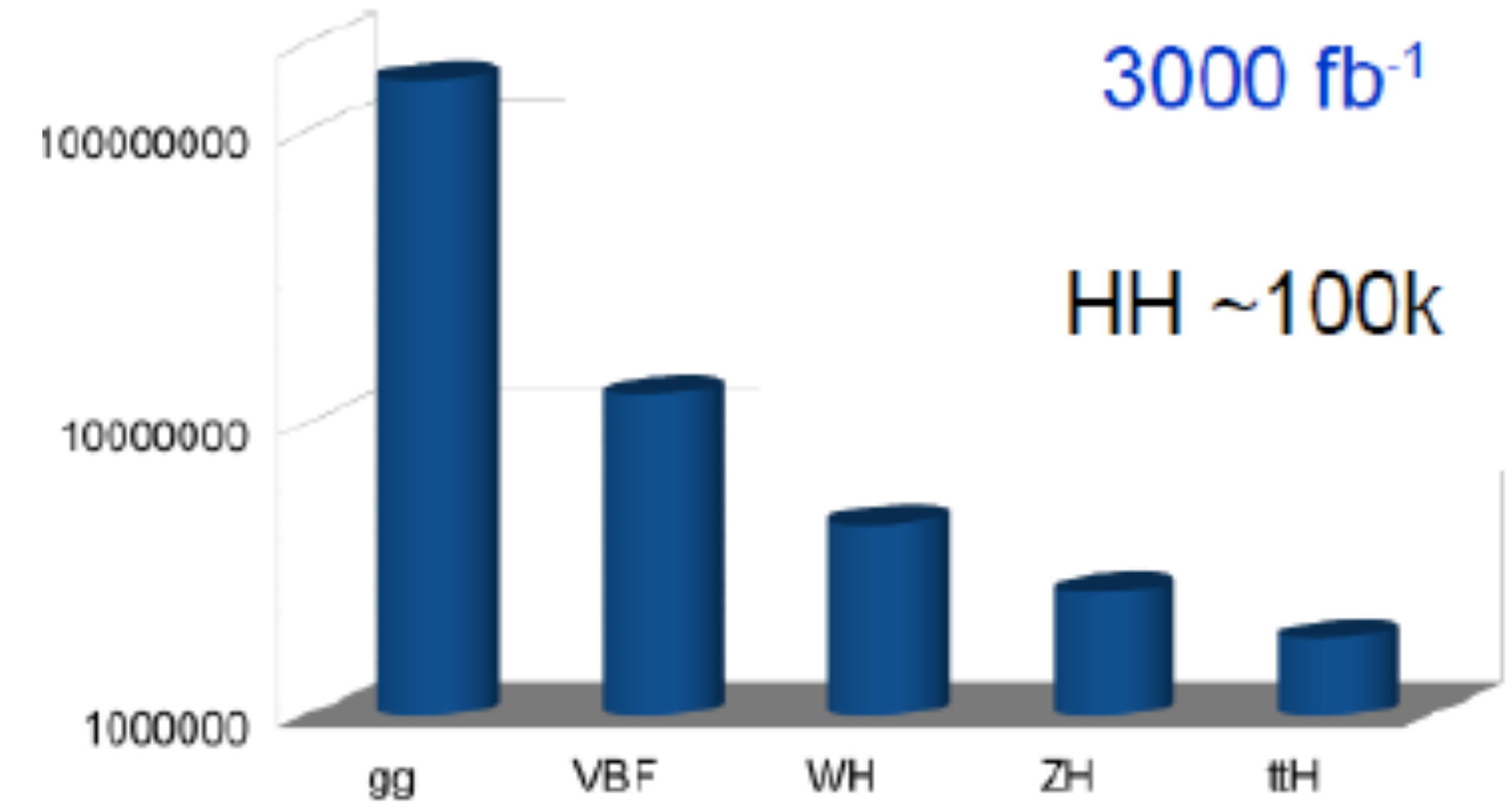
# Expected Physics potential at HL-LHC in Higgs sector

Higgs physics is a major component of HL-LHC physics program.

At HL-LHC (Higgs factory), we expect to produce  $>150\text{M}$  Higgs Bosons (over 1M for each of the main production mechanisms, spread over various decay modes)

Enables a broad physics program:

- Higgs **Precision O(1-10%) Measurements** of couplings, x-sections, mass  $\rightarrow$  looking for deviations from the SM
- Di-Higgs production  $\rightarrow$  **Higgs self coupling**
- Sensitivity to **Rare decays and couplings**:  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $H \rightarrow ee$ ,  $H \rightarrow cc$ ,  $H \rightarrow Zg$
- **BSM Higgs direct searches**: extra scalars, BSM Higgs resonances, exotic decays, anomalous couplings



# Phase-2 detector upgrades

Phase-2 detector upgrade is crucial to meet the machine challenge of the HL-LHC

- **high pileup:** 140-200 interactions per bunch crossing. As pile-up increases, as does event complexity (increased rate of fake tracks, spurious energy in calorimeters, increased data volume to be read out in each event)
- **severe radiation environment :** Detector elements and electronics are exposed to high radiation dose (reaching limits for several systems) → Detector upgrades

## L1-Trigger/HLT/DAQ:

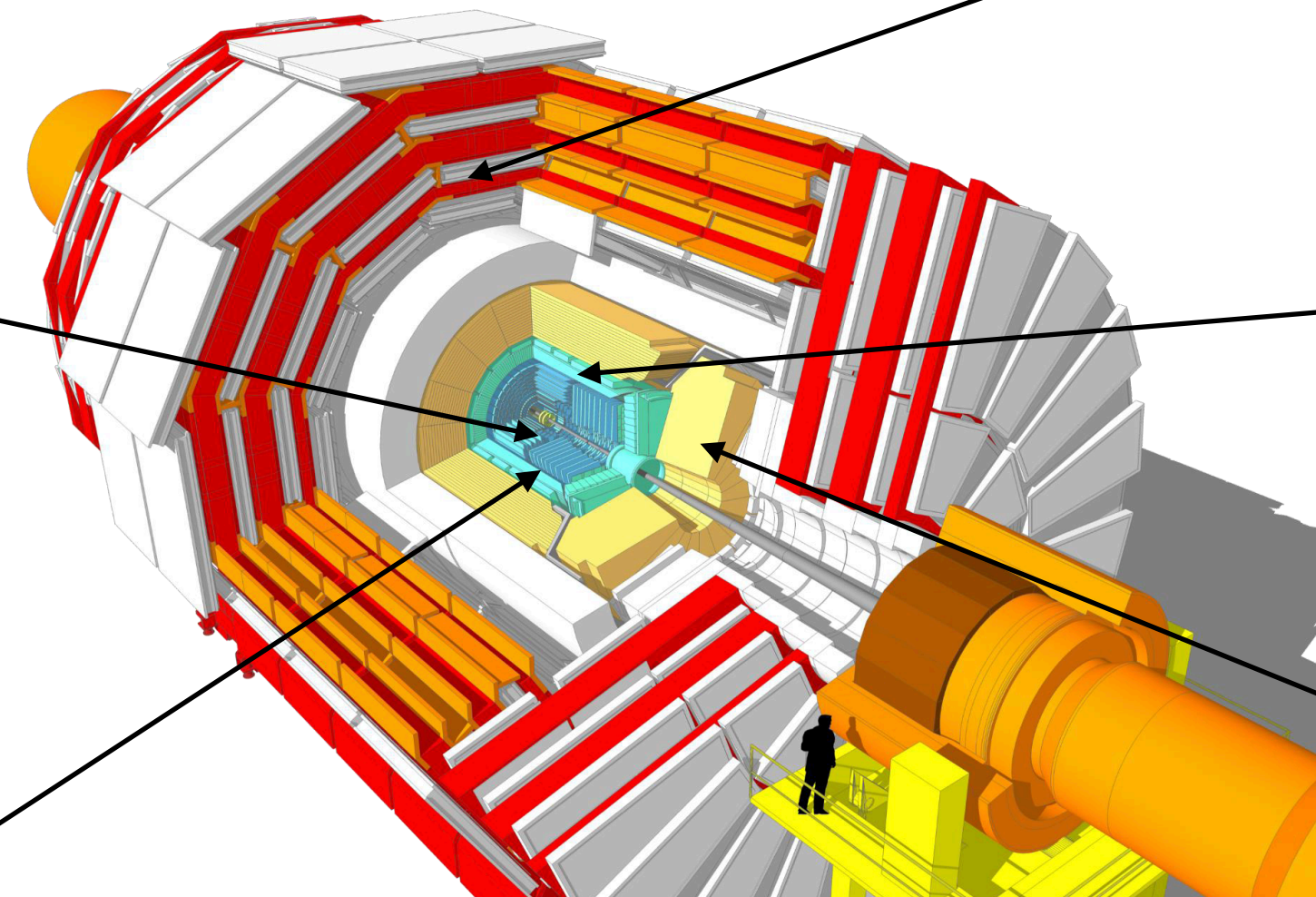
Tracks, particle flow like selection, and machine learning in L1/HLT/DAQ  
HLT output 7.5 kHz

## Tracker:

All silicon Pixel and strip detectors with increased granularity  
extended coverage to  $\eta \sim 3.8$   
 $P_T$  module design for tracking in Level1-Trigger

## MIP Timing detector :

30-40 ps time resolution for charged particles up to  $\eta \sim 3$  between tracker and ECAL/CE



## Muon system:

DT&CSC new FE/BE readout, new GEM/RPC  
Extended coverage to  $\eta \sim 2.8$

## Calorimeter Barrel:

ECAL precision timing for high energy photon/electron  $> 30$  GeV  
ECAL/HCAL new back-end boards.

## Calorimeter Endcap:

3D showering topology  
Precision timing for high energy showers  
Si, Scint+SiPM in Pb/W-SS

CMS have major phase-2 upgrade as involving **new tracker, new EC, new readout for barrel calorimeters, extended muon capabilities, new trigger, new DAQ**



# Analysis approach in HL-LHC

Various analysis approaches to assess the sensitivity in searching for new physics at the HL-LHC at CMS.

**Full simulation:** use most updated phase-2 geometry, algorithms and tuning along with the PU simulation

**Fast simulation:** perform full analysis with parameterised detector performance. Use DELPHES with up-to-date phase-2 detector performance

**Projections:** Existing signal and background samples extrapolated from the 13 TeV analysis to higher lumi and corrected efficiencies using fast-sim and full-simulation.

## Uncertainties assumptions

### Run-2 scenario (S1):

- no change in systematics, propagated as it is wrt current analyses.

### YR18 scenario (S2):

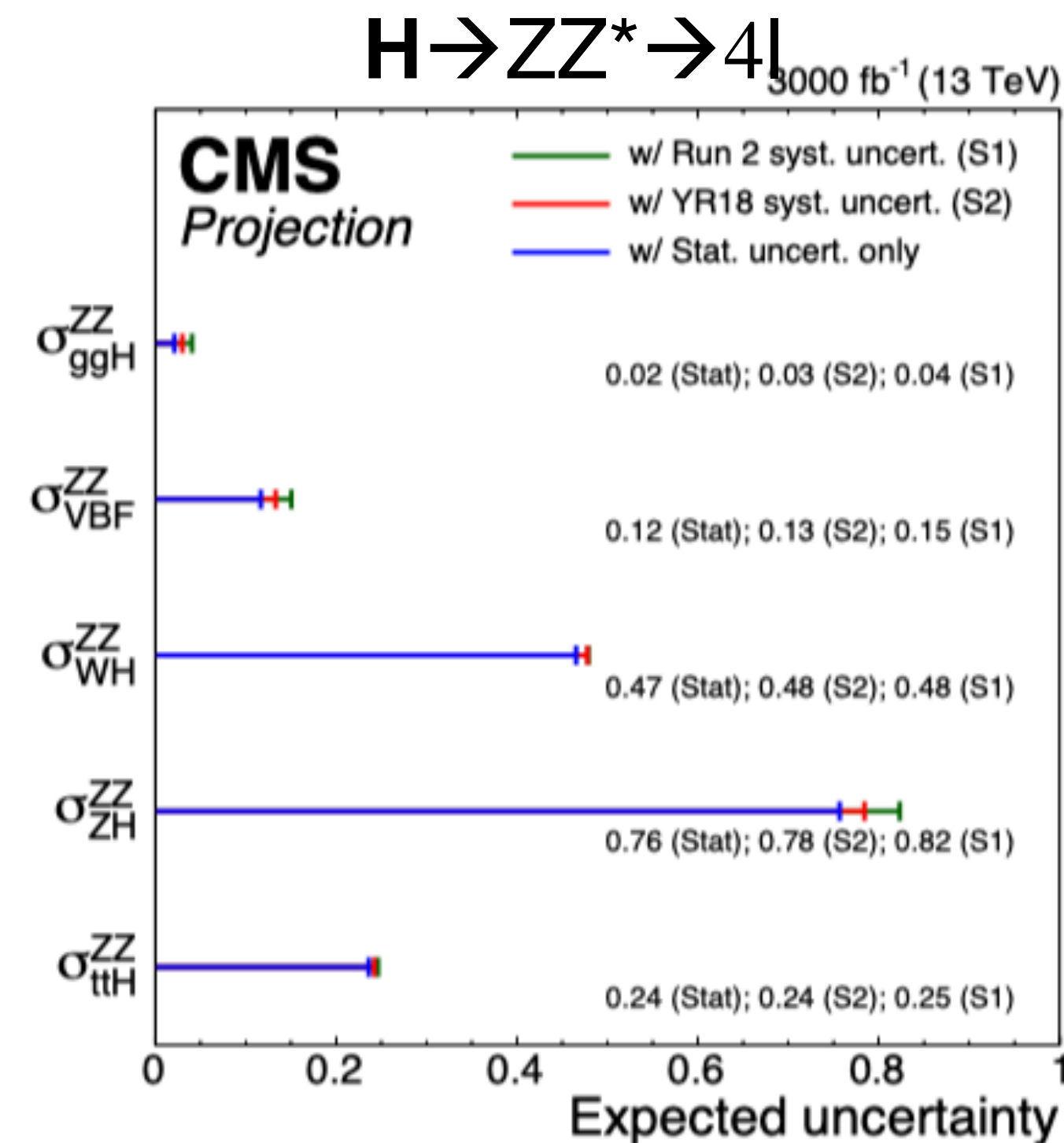
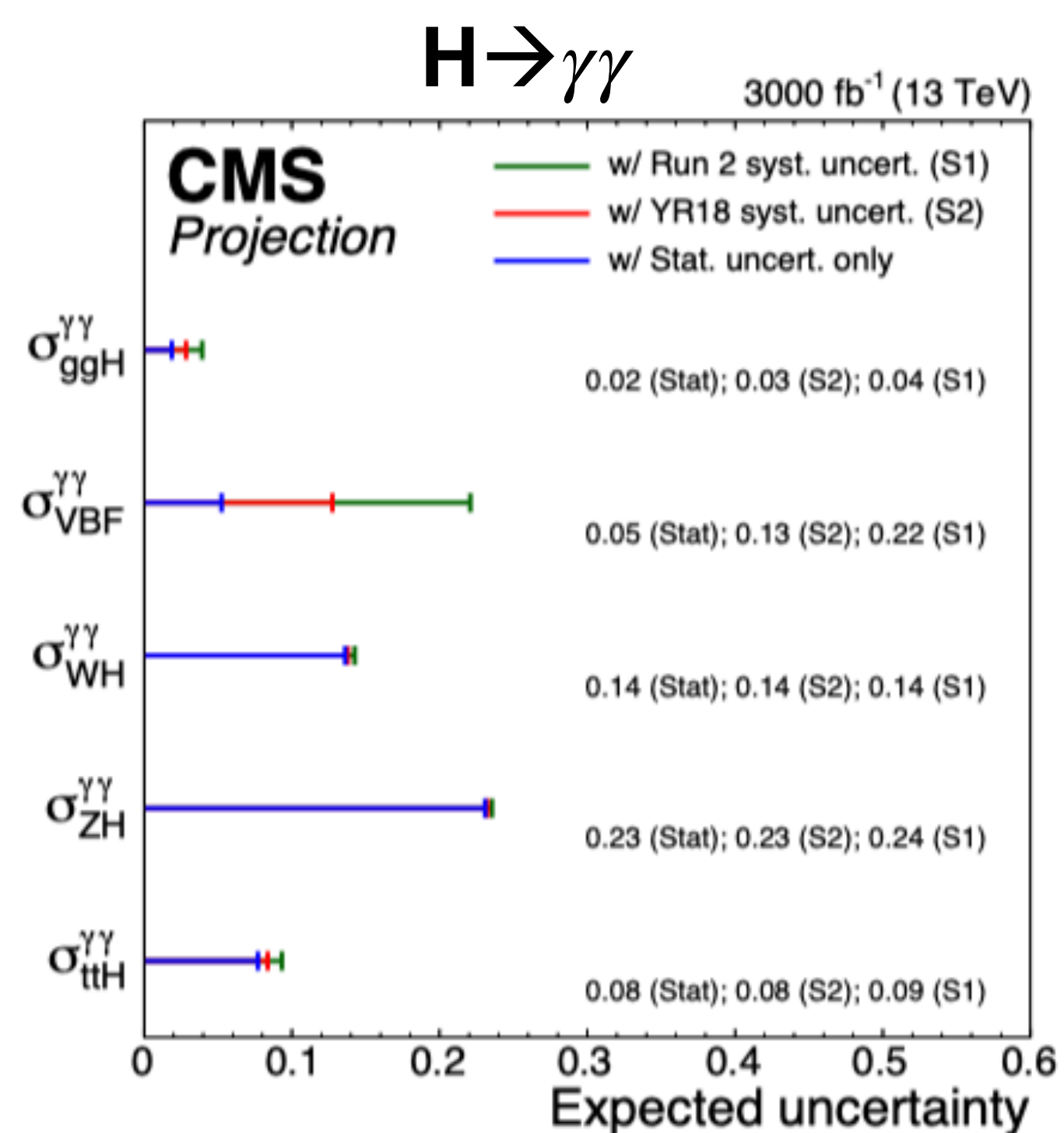
- Theoretical uncertainties are reduced by a factor of two compared to the current analyses
- Experimental ones go as  $\sim 1/\sqrt{L}$  until they hit the detector capabilities [[Yellow Report](#)]

# Higgs production and decay rate signal strengths, cross-sections and coupling measurements

- Performed from results obtained with the 2015-2016 datasets corresponding to  $36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data.
- Size  $O(1\%)$  of the expected HL-LHC integrated luminosity. Thus, projections very limited with respect to the potential reach of the real HL-LHC analyses

# Signal Strengths

Expected  $\pm 1\sigma$  uncertainties per production mode



The main systematic uncertainties are the background modeling uncertainty, missing higher order uncertainties causing event migrations between the bins, photon isolation efficiencies and jet uncertainties

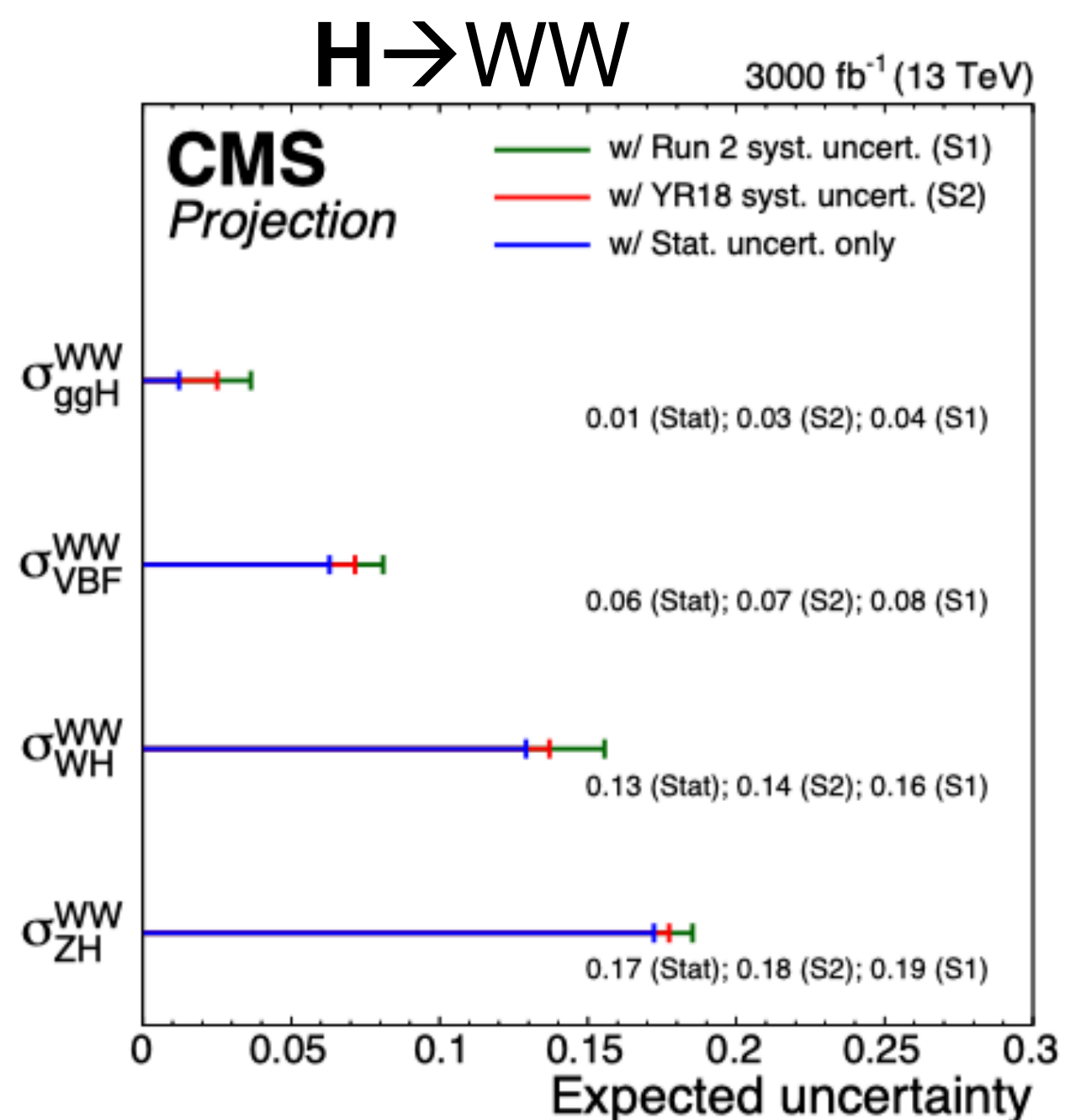
Expected precision: < 25% (VH dominated by stat unc.) in S2 scenario.

- For ggH : Dominant unc. are due to lepton reconstruction and identification efficiencies and pile-up modelling unc.
- For VBF and VH: Main unc. are due to jet energy scale and resolution,
- For ttH : missing higher order unc. + Parton shower modelling

Expected precision: < 78% (VBF, VH, ttH dominated by stat unc.) in S2 Scenario

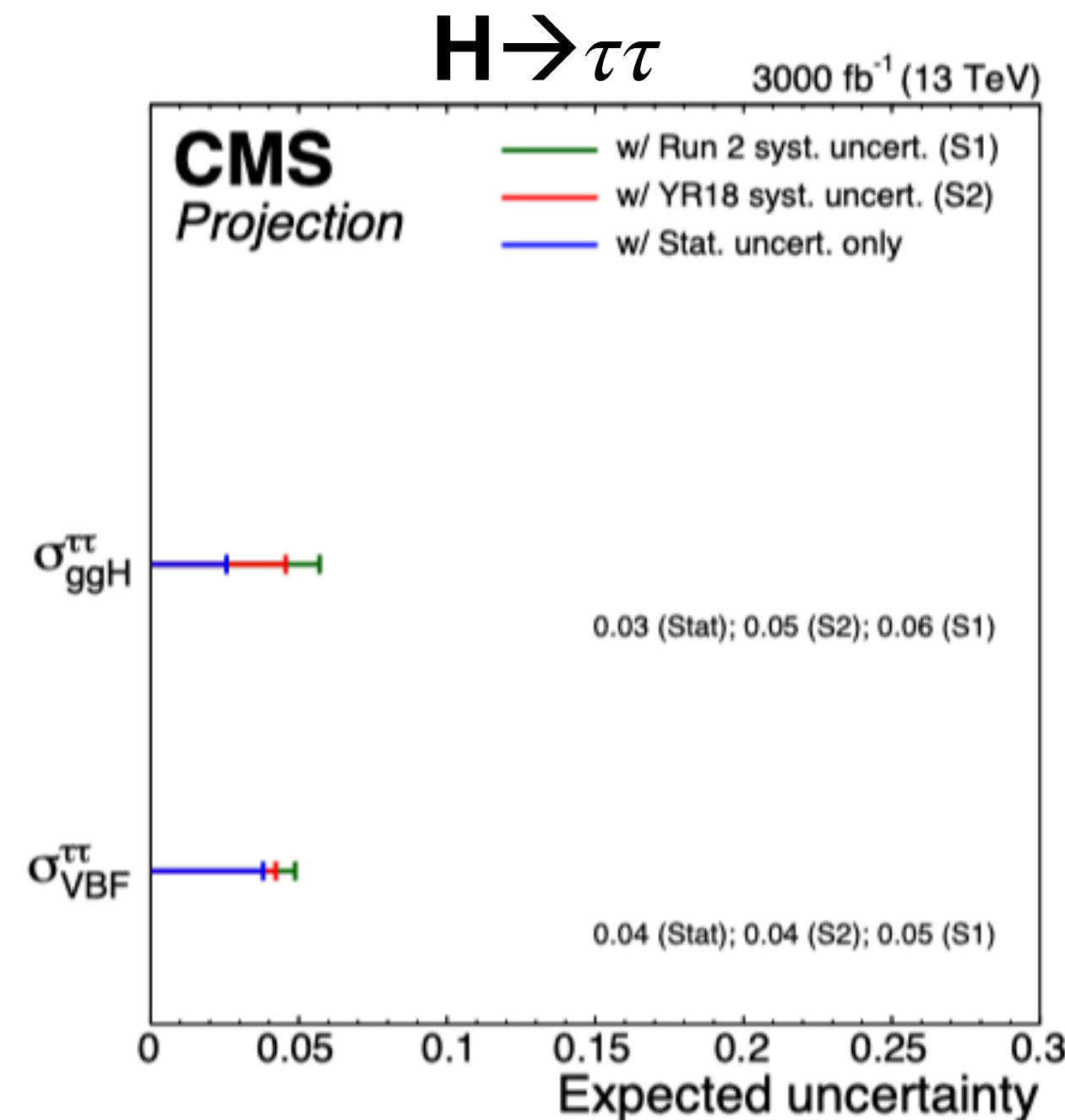
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Expected  $\pm 1\sigma$  uncertainties per production mode



Unc. in ggH is dominated by [theoretical PDF uncertainty](#) followed by experimental uncertainties affecting the signal acceptance, including uncertainties on the jet energy scale and flavour composition, and lepton mis-identification.

Expected precision: < 20%  
(VH dominated by stat unc.)  
in S2 scenario.

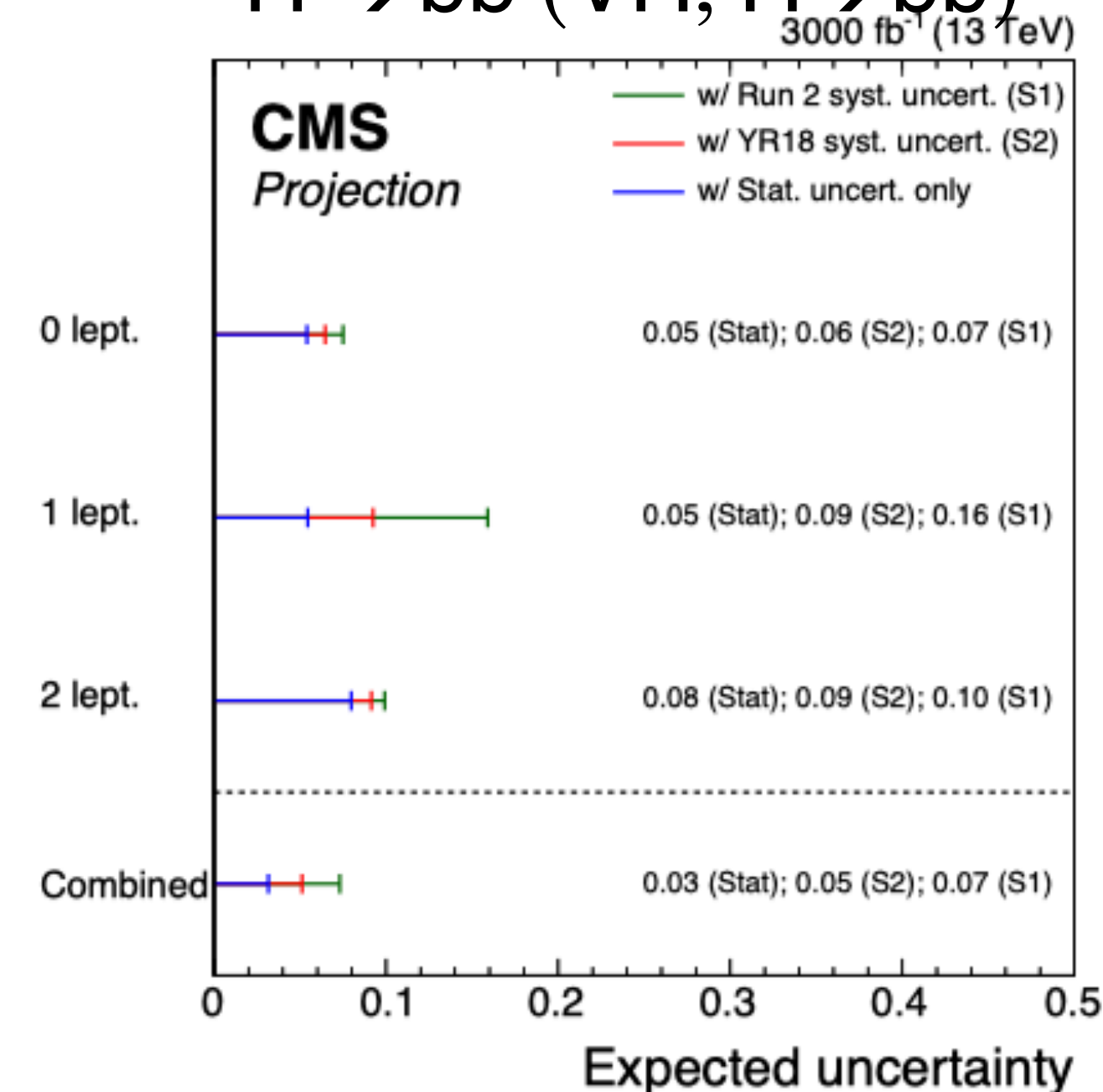


Here, main contributions come from :

- the uncertainties on background modelling errors, [jet calibration and resolution](#), on the reconstruction of the [missing transverse energy](#).
- Determination of the [background normalization](#) from signal and control regions

Expected precision: ~ 5% (dominated by systematic uncertainties)

## H → bb (VH, H → bb)

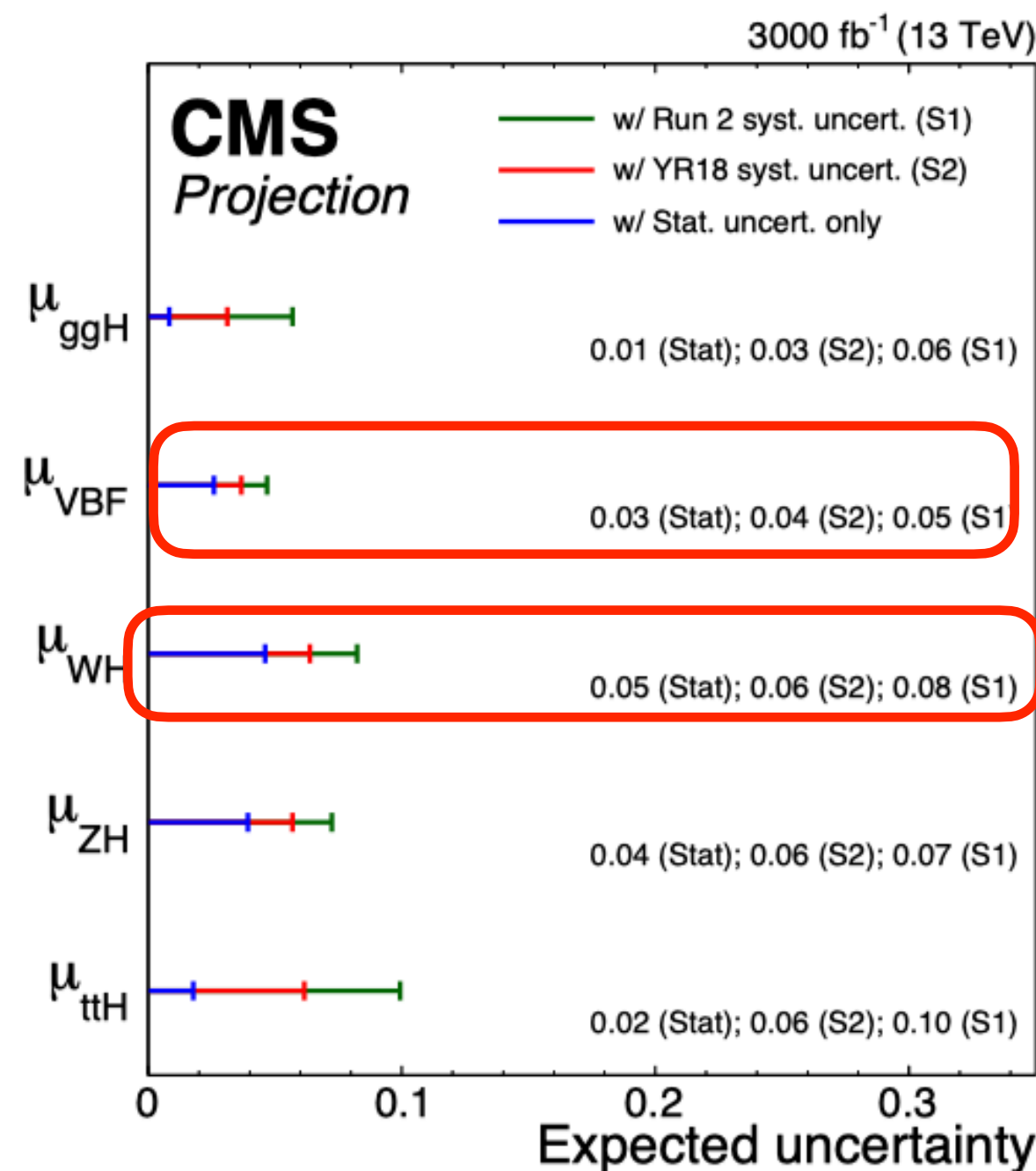


The largest component of the systematic uncertainty is [theoretical](#) coming from uncertainty in the [gluon-induced ZH \(gg → ZH\) production cross section due to QCD scale variations](#)

Expected precision: ~ 5%

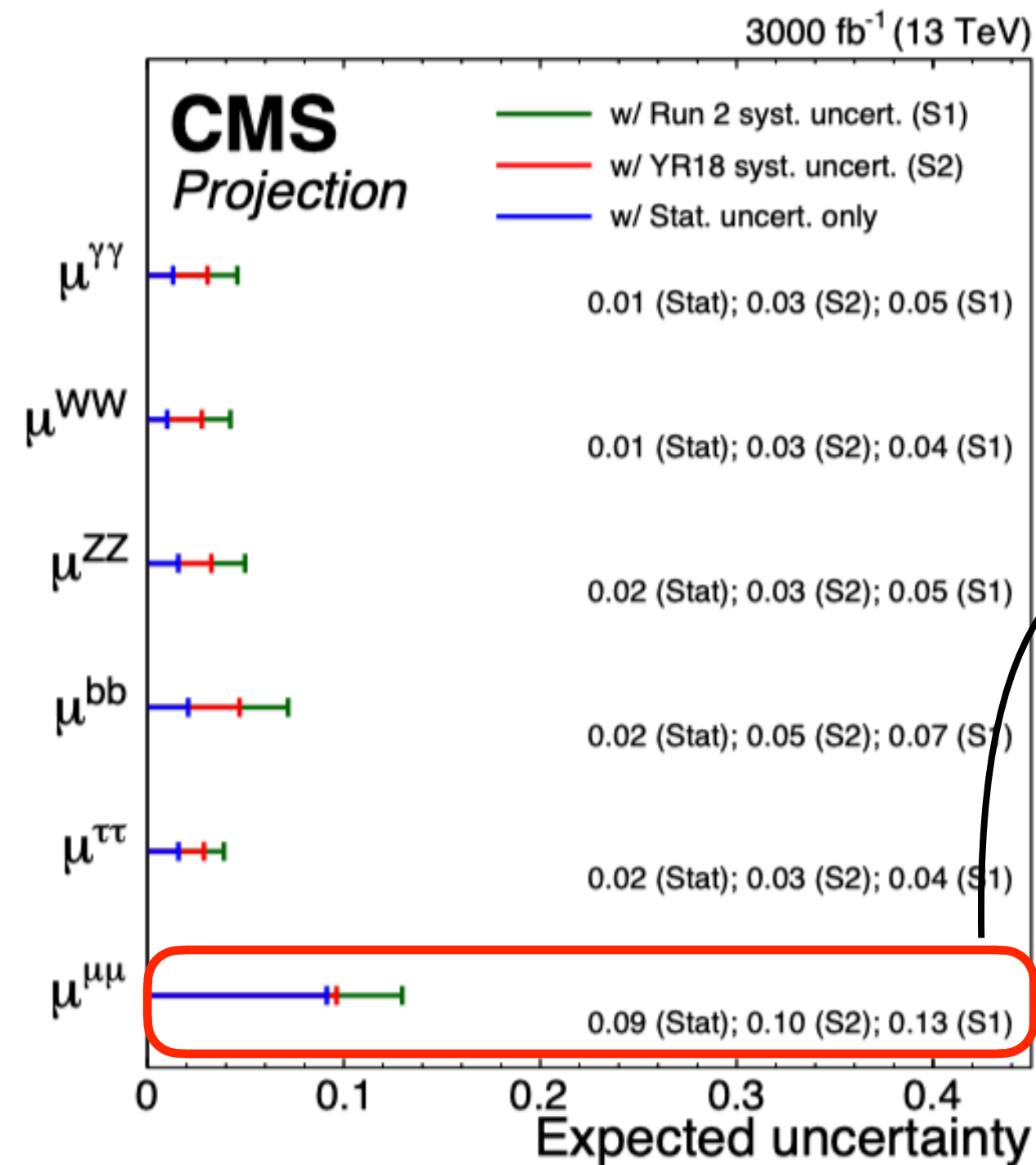
# Combined signal strength per production and decay mode

Expected  $\pm 1\sigma$  uncertainties per production mode



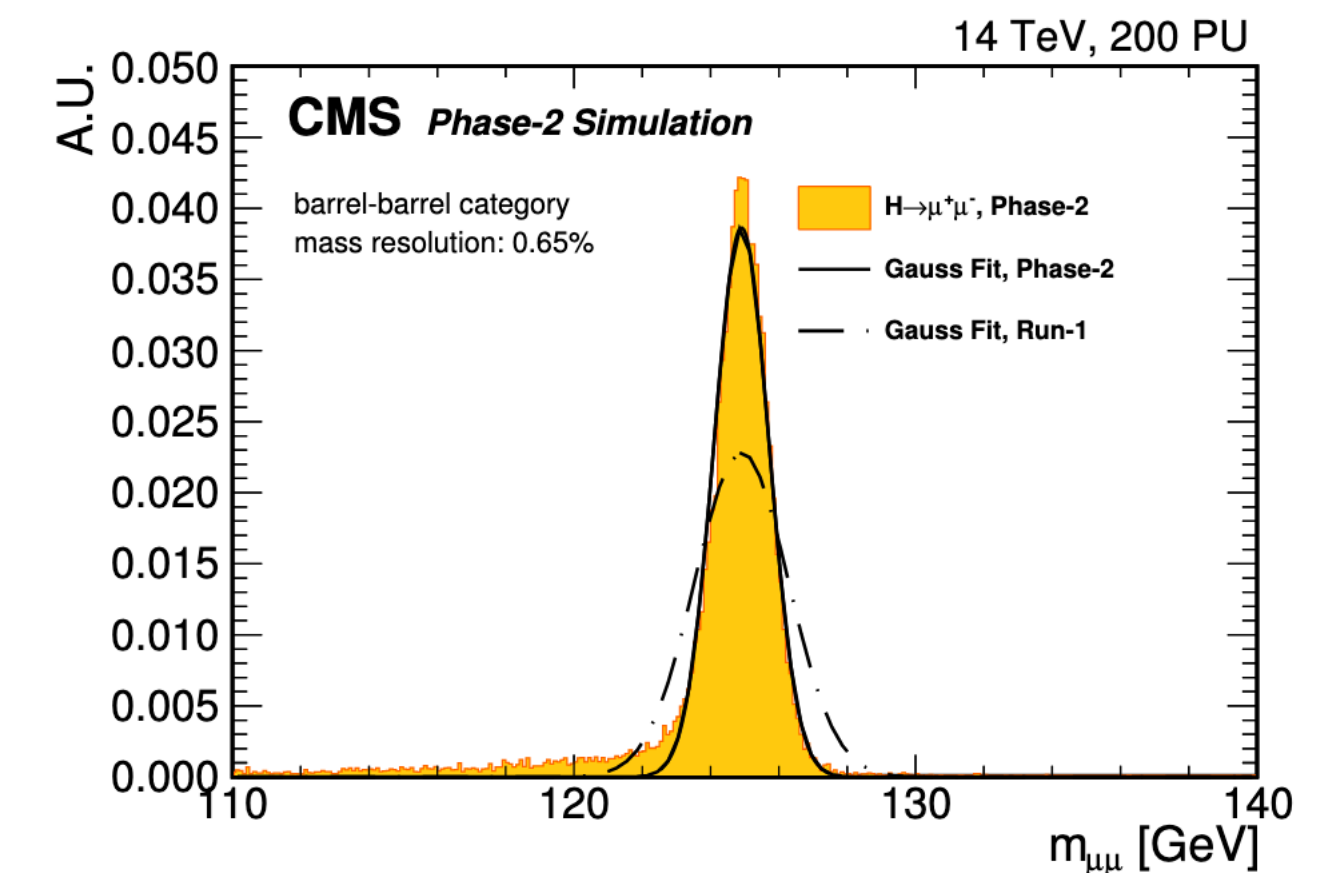
In S1, the **signal theory unc.** is the main contribution for all modes except WH (stat. limited). In S2,  $\mu^{VBF}$  and  $\mu^{WH}$  both are stat. limited

Expected  $\pm 1\sigma$  uncertainties per decay mode



**signal theory unc.** is the largest component for all parameters except  $\mu^{\mu\mu}$ , which remains stat. limited.

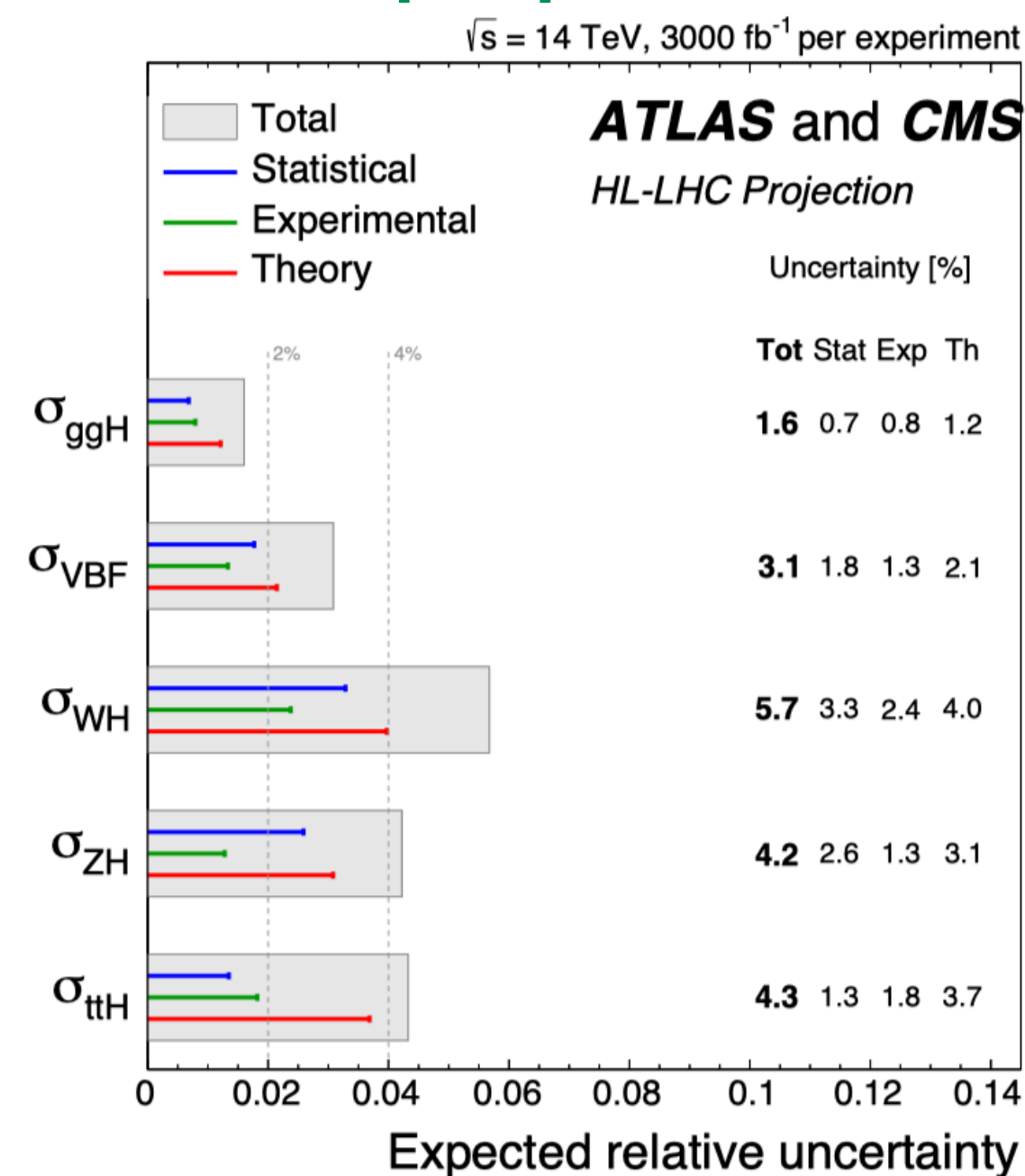
This analysis depends critically on dimuon mass resolution. Thanks to New tracker - Dimuon invariant mass width is reduced in order to match the increase in performances [40% improvement in the dimuon mass resolution]



A precision of 3-6% is reachable per production mode and 3-5% per decay mode except for  $\mu^{\mu\mu}$  (10%) in S2 scenario

# Higgs Cross-section and branching-fraction measurement

## Expected $\pm 1\sigma$ uncertainties on cross-section measurement per production mode



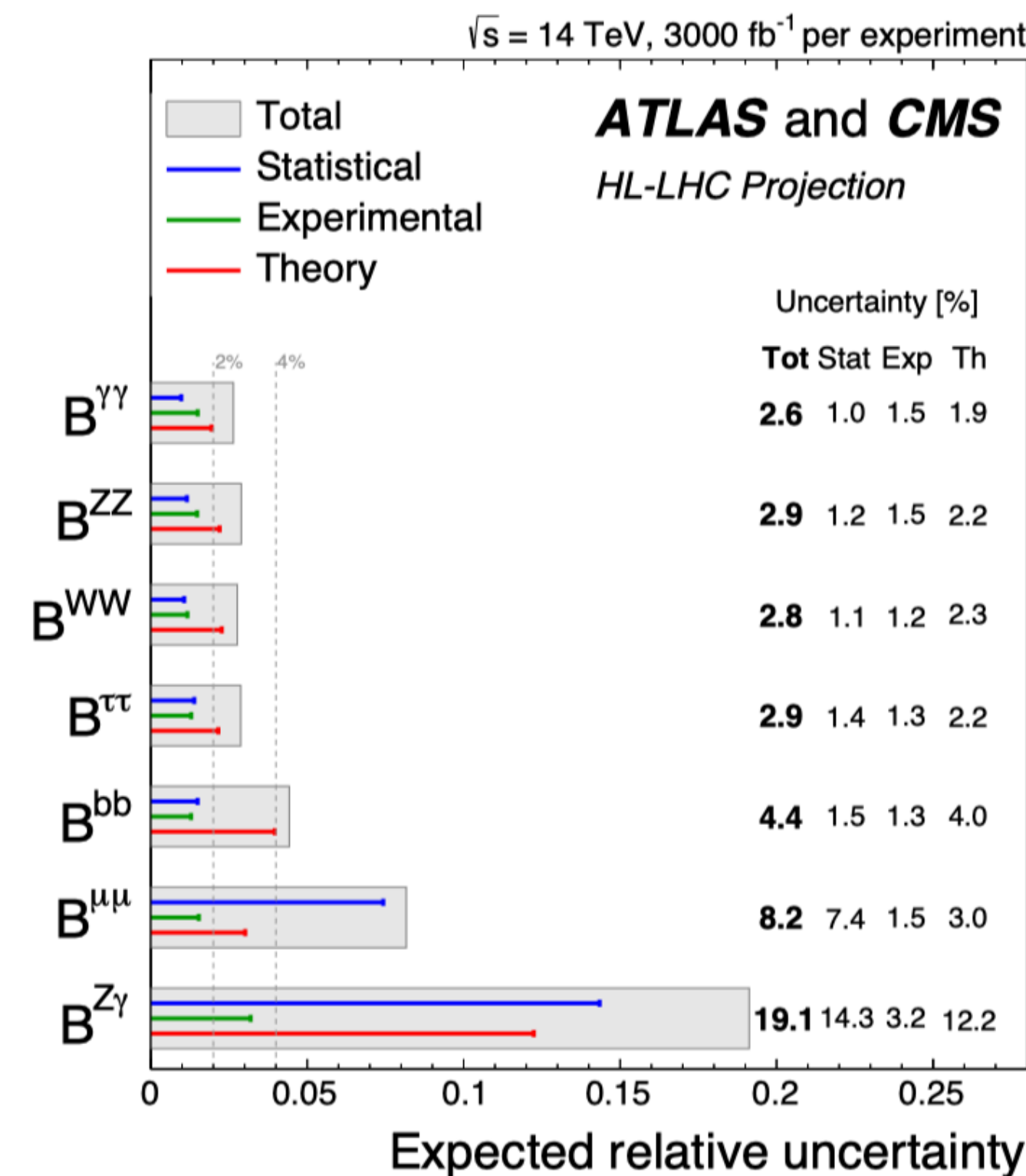
ggH, VBF : contribution from the **stat., exp. and theor. unc** to the total error are similar.

WH and ZH : the **stat. and theor. unc.** are the dominant one.

ttH: dominated by the **theor. unc.** (~ factor two larger wrt other components )

Uncertainty range from 1 – 6%

## Expected $\pm 1\sigma$ uncertainties on branching fraction measurement per decay mode



In S2, the **signal theory uncertainty** is the largest

Range from 2 – 4%, except  $B^{\mu\mu}$  at 8% and  $B^{Z\gamma}$  at 19%

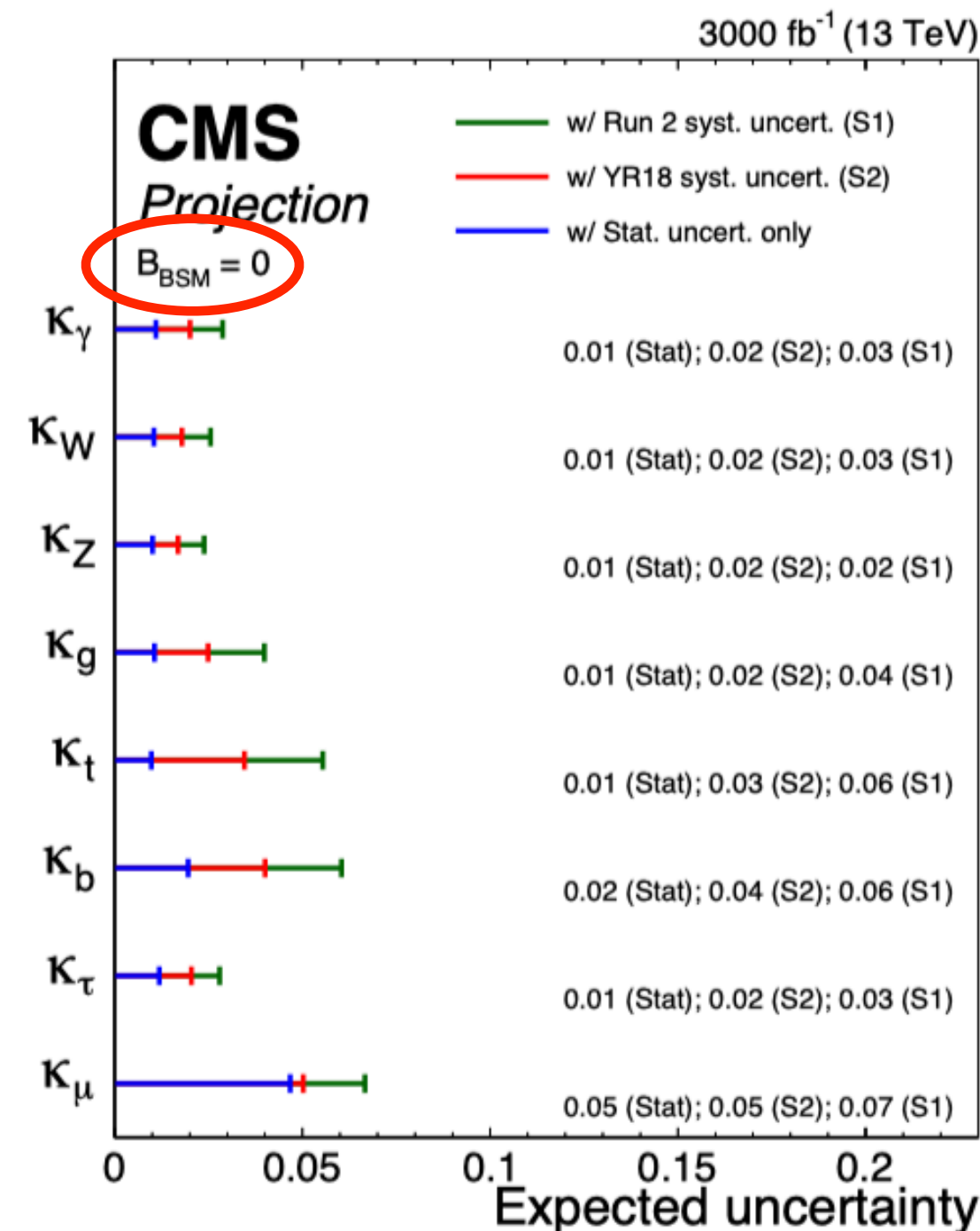
# Coupling modifiers, $\kappa$

Parametrise deviations from the SM Higgs boson couplings to SM bosons and fermions

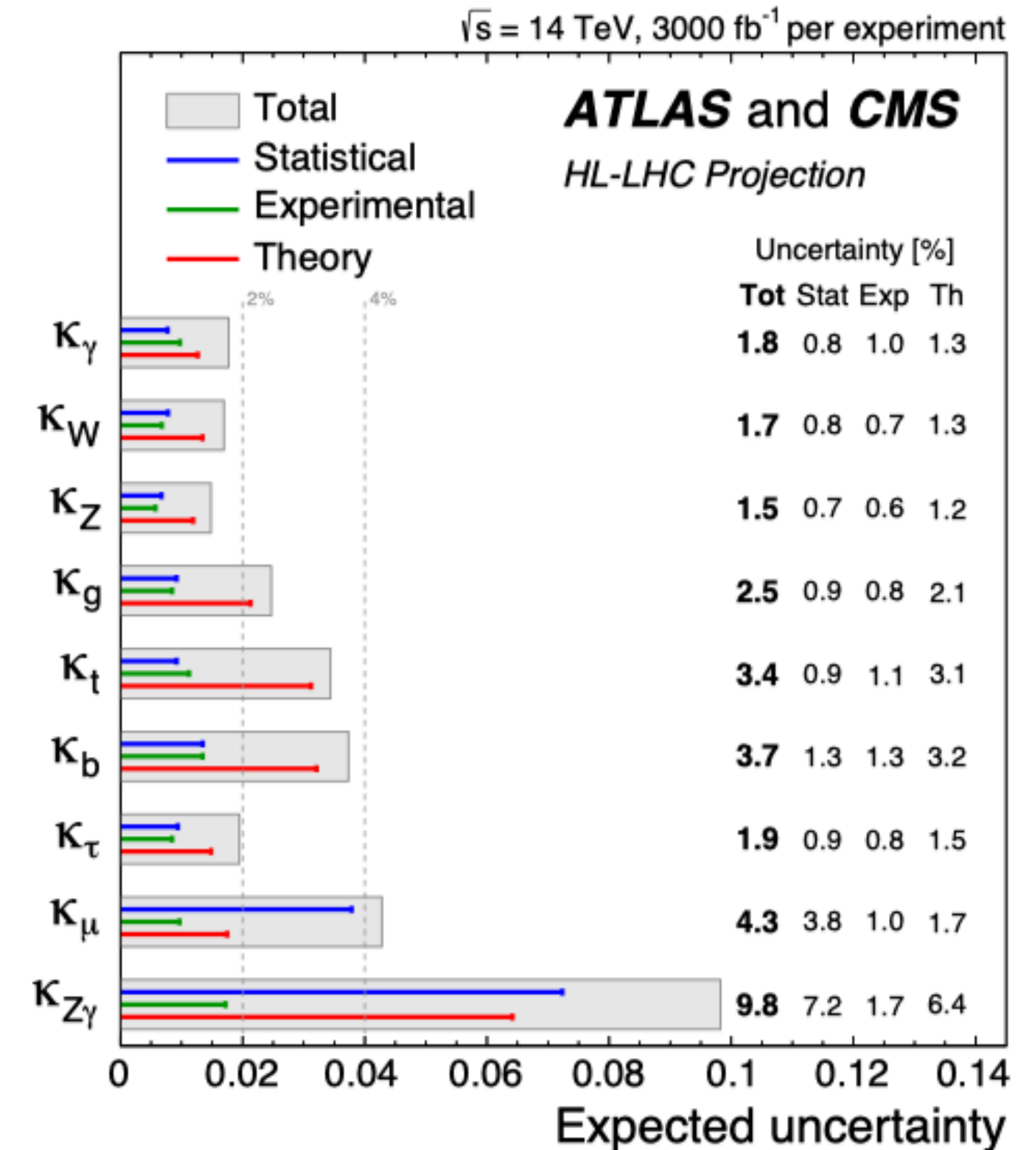
$$\kappa_j^2 = \sigma_j / \sigma_j^{\text{SM}} \quad \text{or} \quad \kappa_j^2 = \Gamma^j / \Gamma_{\text{SM}}^j.$$

Uncertainty components contribute at a similar level for  $\kappa_\gamma$ ,  $\kappa_W$ ,  $\kappa_Z$  and  $\kappa_\tau$ . **signal theory** main component for  $\kappa_t$  and  $\kappa_g$  ( $\kappa_\mu$  and  $\kappa_{Z\gamma}$  stat. limited)

Expected  $\pm 1\sigma$  uncertainties on coupling modifiers



A precision of 1-4% reachable except for statistical limited cases of  $\kappa_\mu$  and  $\kappa_{Z\gamma}$



# Differential Higgs Cross-section measurement

New physics may reside in the high scale tails of differential distributions.  $p_T^H$  differential distribution is of particular interest.

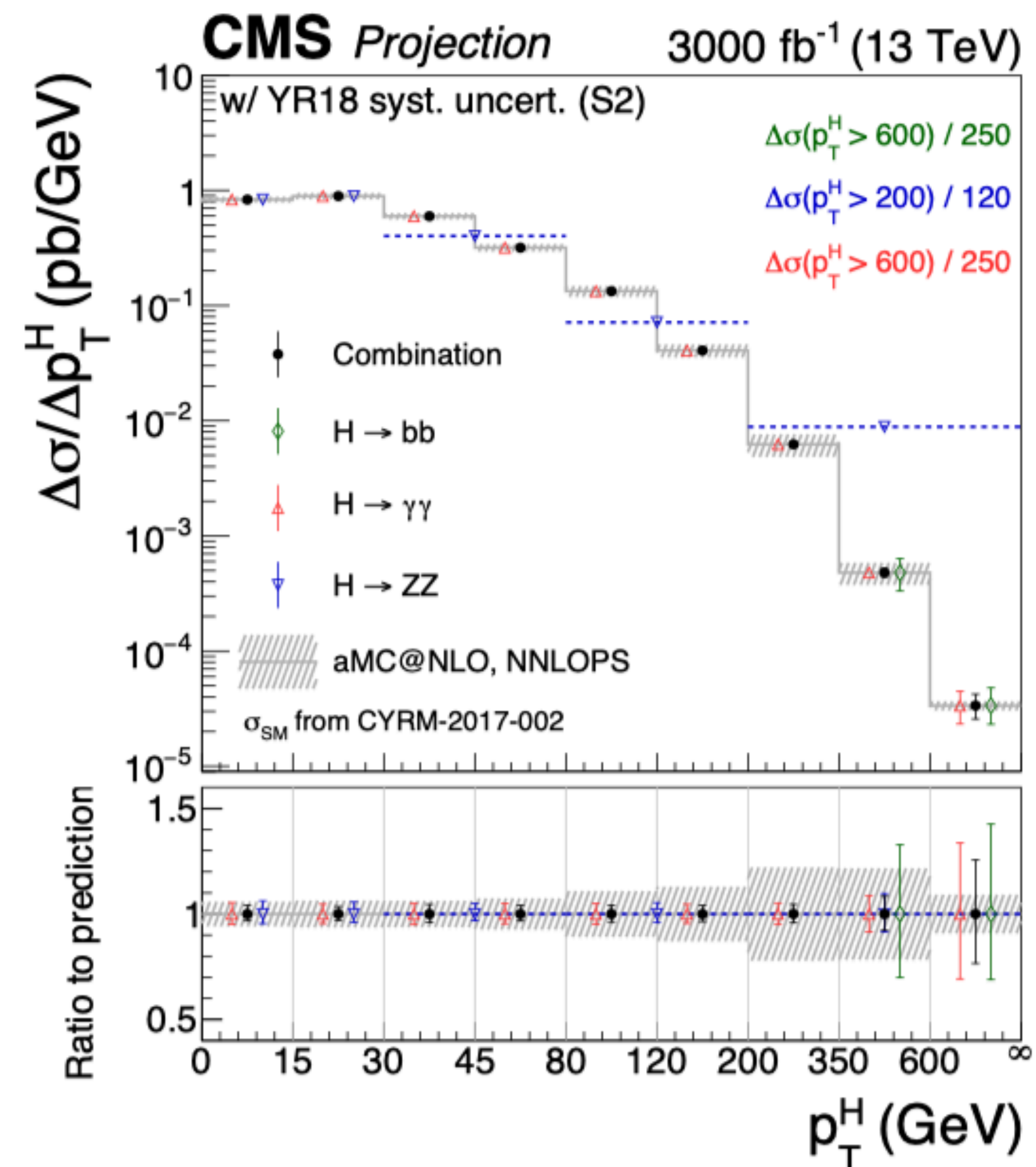
Combined distribution with  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ,  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$  and boosted  $H \rightarrow bb$

Uncertainties in the higher  $p_t^H$  region are about a factor of ten smaller compared to RunII (stats. dominated region).

Lower  $p_t^H$  region are however no longer statistically dominated, where the reduced systematic uncertainties in S2 yield a reduction in the total uncertainty of up to 25% compared to S1

## Relative uncertainties on the projected $p_t^H$ spectrum measurements under S2 at 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>

3000 fb <sup>-1</sup> CMS									
$p_T^H$ [GeV]	0-15	15-30	30-45	45-80	80-120	120-200	200-350	350-600	600-∞
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	5.1%	4.6%	5.1%	4.8%	4.9%	4.5%	5.1%	8.6%	32.2%
$H \rightarrow ZZ$	5.4%	4.8%	4.1%		4.7%		9.1%		
$H \rightarrow bb$	none							31.4%	36.8%
Combination	3.7%	3.3%	4.2%	3.7%	4.0%	3.8%	4.4%	8.0%	24.5%





# Higgs pair production and Self coupling

- Performed with the DELPHES fast parametric simulation software to simulate the response of the upgraded CMS detector and account for the pileup contributions by overlaying an average of 200 minimum bias interaction events simulated with PYTHIA 8
- Explored 5 different decay channels:  $bbbb$ ,  $bb\tau\tau$ ,  $bbWW$  ( $WW \rightarrow ll'v$  with  $l,l' = e, \mu$ ),  $bb\gamma\gamma$ , and  $bbZZ$  ( $ZZ \rightarrow ll'l'$  with  $l,l' = e, \mu$ )

# HH production : Benchmark channel for HL-LHC

Triple Higgs coupling :

Standard Model:

$$\lambda_{hhh} = \frac{m_h^2}{2v^2}$$

Coupling modifier:

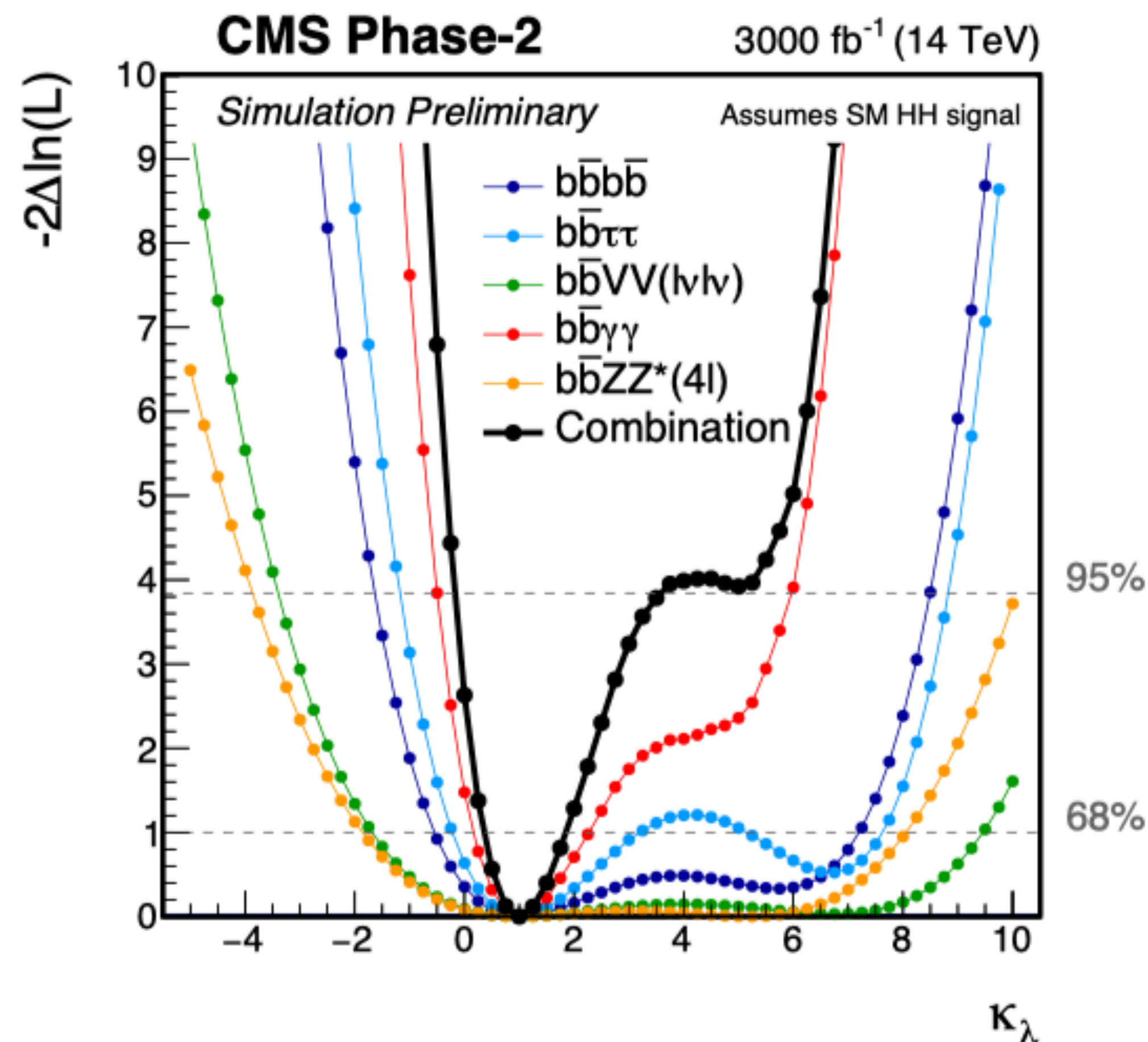
$$\kappa_\lambda = \lambda_{hhh} / \lambda_{hhh}^{SM}$$

Upper limit at the 95% confidence level (CL) and the significance for the SM HH signal at 68% CL.

Channel	Significance		95% CL limit on $\sigma_{HH} / \sigma_{HH}^{SM}$	
	Stat. + syst.	Stat. only	Stat. + syst.	Stat. only
bbbb	0.95	1.2	2.1	1.6
bb $\tau\tau$	1.4	1.6	1.4	1.3
bbWW(lvlv)	0.56	0.59	3.5	3.3
bb $\gamma\gamma$	1.8	1.8	1.1	1.1
bbZZ(llll)	0.37	0.37	6.6	6.5
<b>Combination</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>0.77</b>	<b>0.71</b>

$\kappa_\lambda$  measurement with significance of the signal of  $2.6\sigma$ .

Expected Likelihood scan as a function of  $\kappa_\lambda$



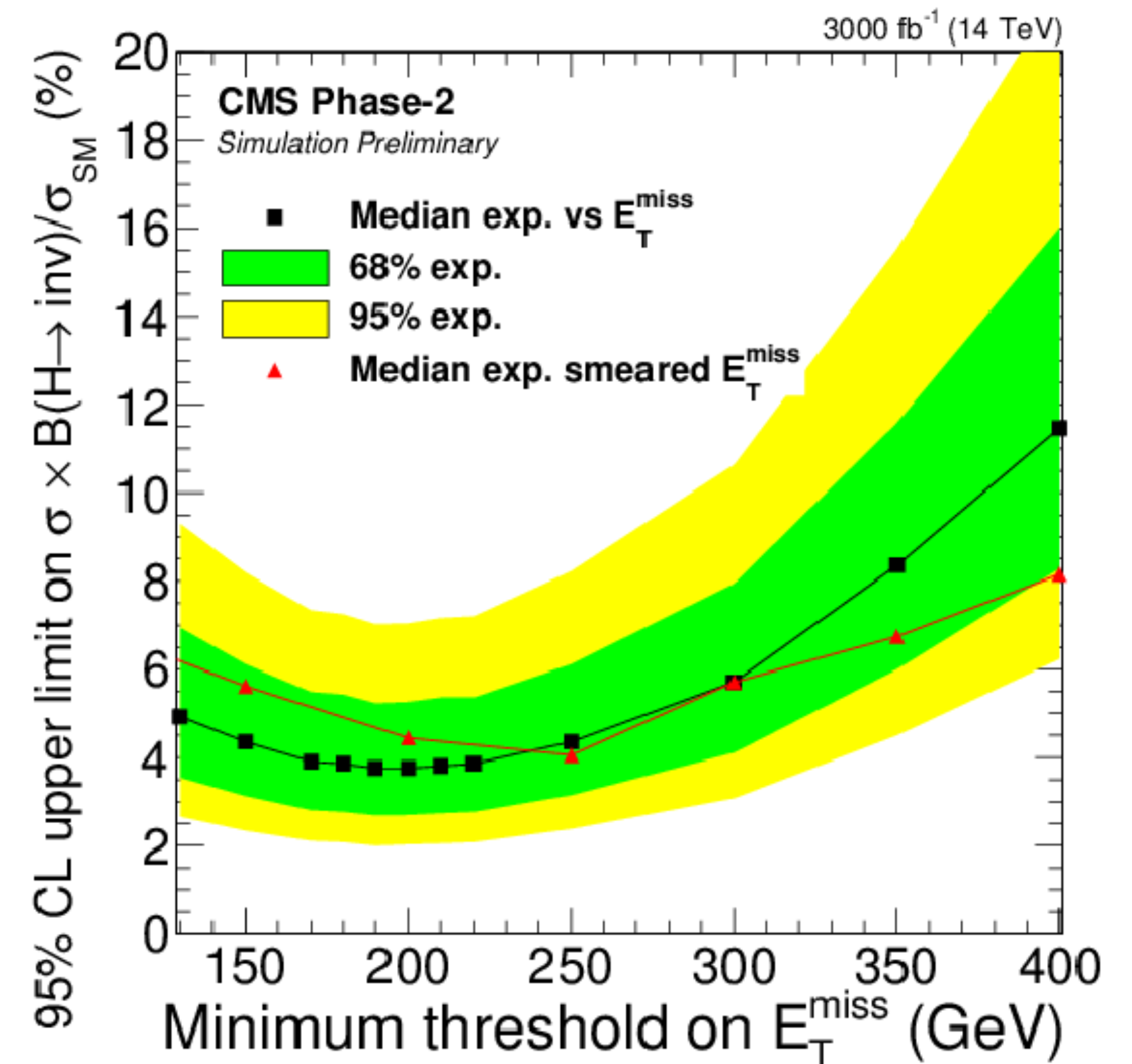
# **Sensitivity to BSM effects in Higgs Physics**

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Several studies on probing the BSM effects in the Higgs physics :

- Probe for anomalous interactions & rare/exotic decays:
  - [H→invisible \[FTR-18-016\]](#)
    - $B_{INV} < 3.8\%$  (compare to 24% combination of full Run1 and Run2 at  $36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
  - [Exotic/rare/forbidden decays and signatures \[FTR-18-011\]](#)
    - $B_{BSM} < 6\%$  from couplings combination (compare to 22% for  $B_{inv}$  and 38% for  $B_{undet}$  @Run2 with  $36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
  - [Anomalous couplings and width \[FTR-18-011\]](#)
    - significant improvement in limits on anom. coupl. Width:  $\Gamma_H \subset [2,6] \text{ MeV}$  @ 95%CL
  - [L1T TrackJet for BSM Higgs signatures \[FTR-18-018\]](#)
    - signatures with displaced jets
- Search for additional Higgs bosons and/or scalars :
  - [MSSM  \$H \rightarrow \tau\tau\$  search \[FTR-18-017\]](#)
  - [High mass search  \$X \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2l2q\$  \[FTR-18-040\]](#)

95% CL limits on  $\sigma/\sigma_{SM} \times B(H \rightarrow inv.)$  as a function of the minimum threshold on Missing transverse energy



# Summary

**HL-LHC** : First Higgs factory! Provides potential for precision measurements and new physics discoveries in the Higgs sector

- Most Higgs cross-sections and couplings at few percent level precision
- Many measurements limited by systematic uncertainties → work needed from theoretical and experimental side
- Significance of  $2.6 \sigma$  ( $4\sigma$  with ATLAS+CMS combined) on triple Higgs coupling for HH production.
- Higgs width measurement possible within 1 MeV. [[Backup!](#)]
- Sensitivity to BSM physics enhanced.

**More results are expected for snowmass early next year.**

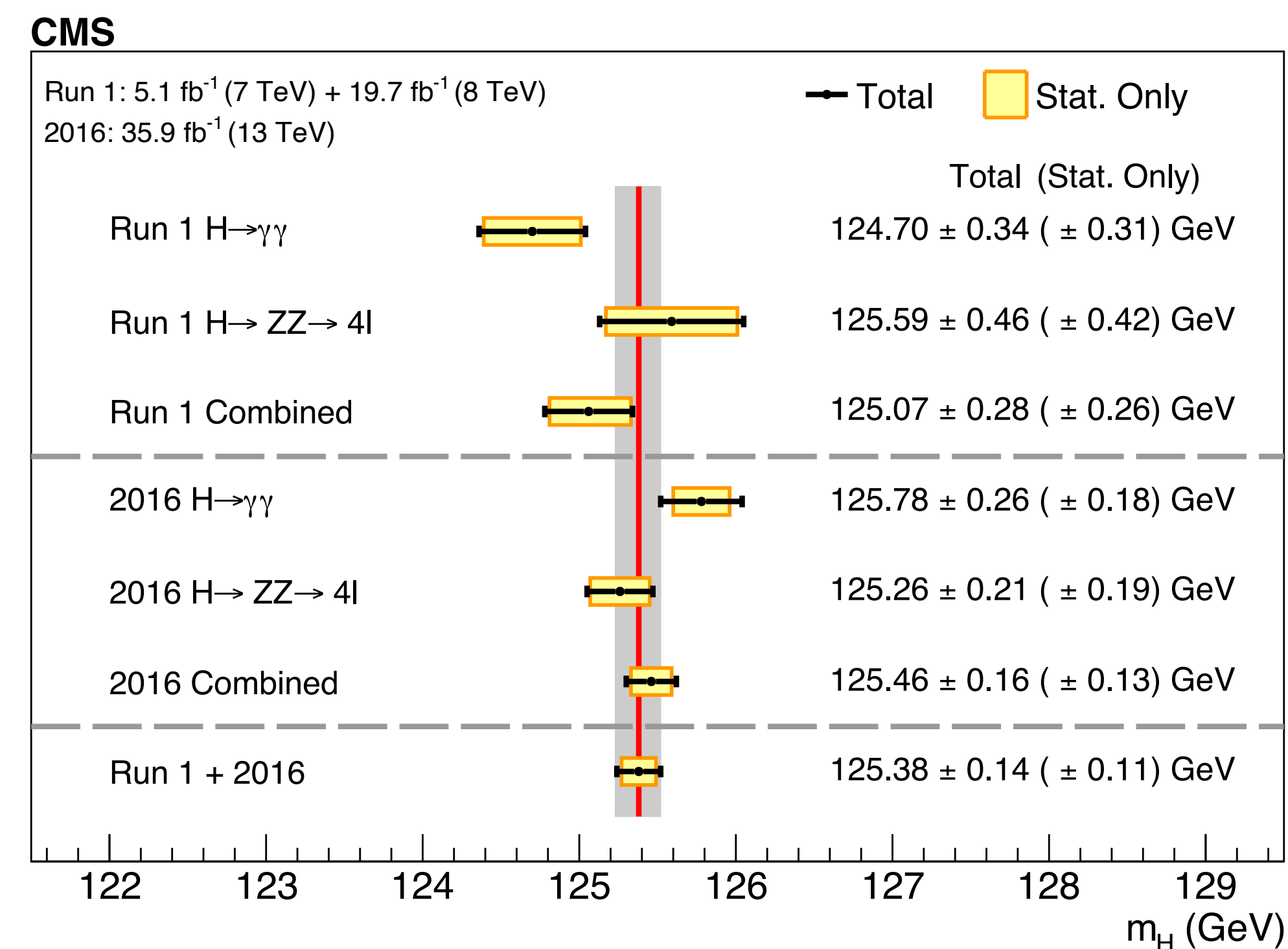
***Exciting times ahead!***

# Backup

# Higgs boson mass

- $m_H$  is a free parameter in the SM. Once  $m_H$  is known, all Higgs boson couplings to Standard Model particles are fixed.
- Most precise  $m_H$  measurement currently: **0.11%** precision by CMS experiment using 2016 and Run 1 data.
- Yellow Report : plausible to reach  $\sigma(m_H) \sim 10-20$  MeV at HL-LHC, no detailed study performed.
- Snowmass: HL-LHC prospect of  $m_H$  measurement, using  $4l$  and  $\gamma\gamma$  channels, improve upon the Run 2 analysis techniques

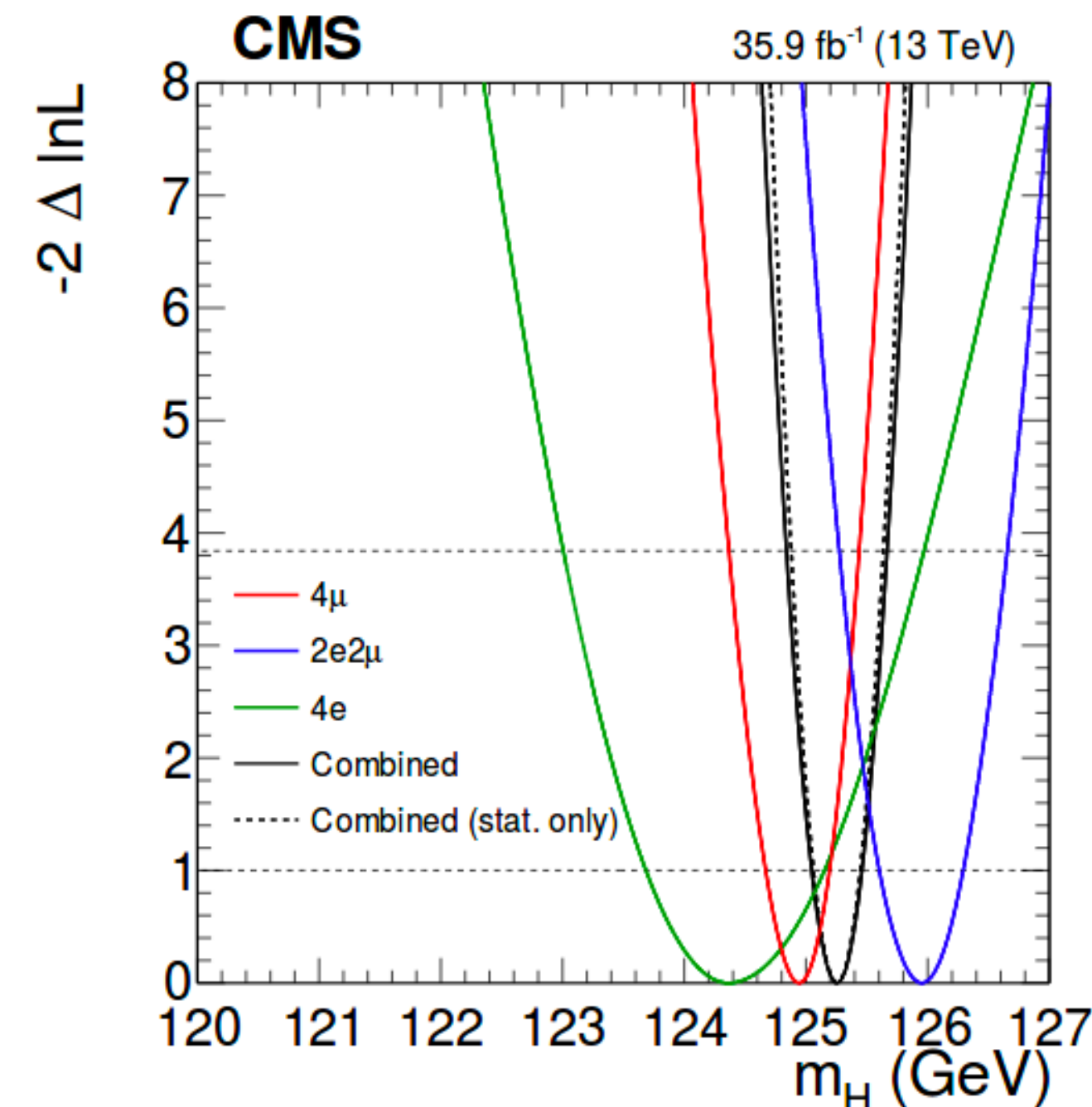
Rajdeep Chatterjee et. al., "The Ultimate Measurements of the Higgs Boson Mass and Width in Run 3, the HL-LHC, and Beyond" [Snowmass EF01 WGM Aug 50, 2020](#)



# Higgs boson mass: experimental challenge

- Four-lepton channel:
  - Run 2 analysis statistical uncertainty dominated, main systematic uncertainty is **lepton energy scale**  
uncertainty: 0.04%, 0.3% and 0.1% for  $4\mu$ ,  $4e$ , and  $2e2\mu$  channels
  - $4\mu$  channel drives the precision

[arxiv:1706.09936](https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.09936)



- Diphoton channel: aim for <100 MeV

## precision at HL-LHC

- expected to be systematic uncertainties dominated: need to develop strategies to reduce them

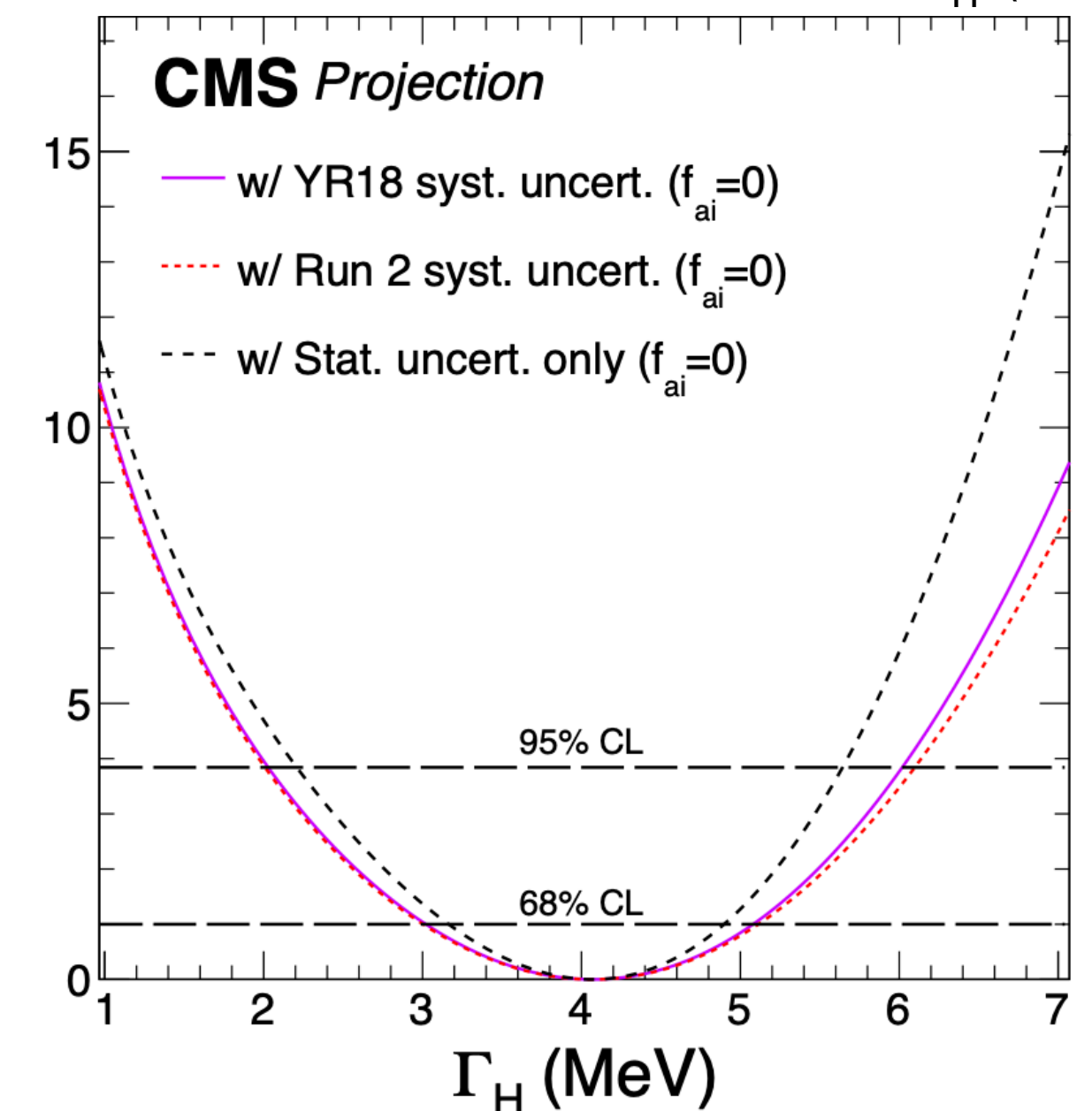
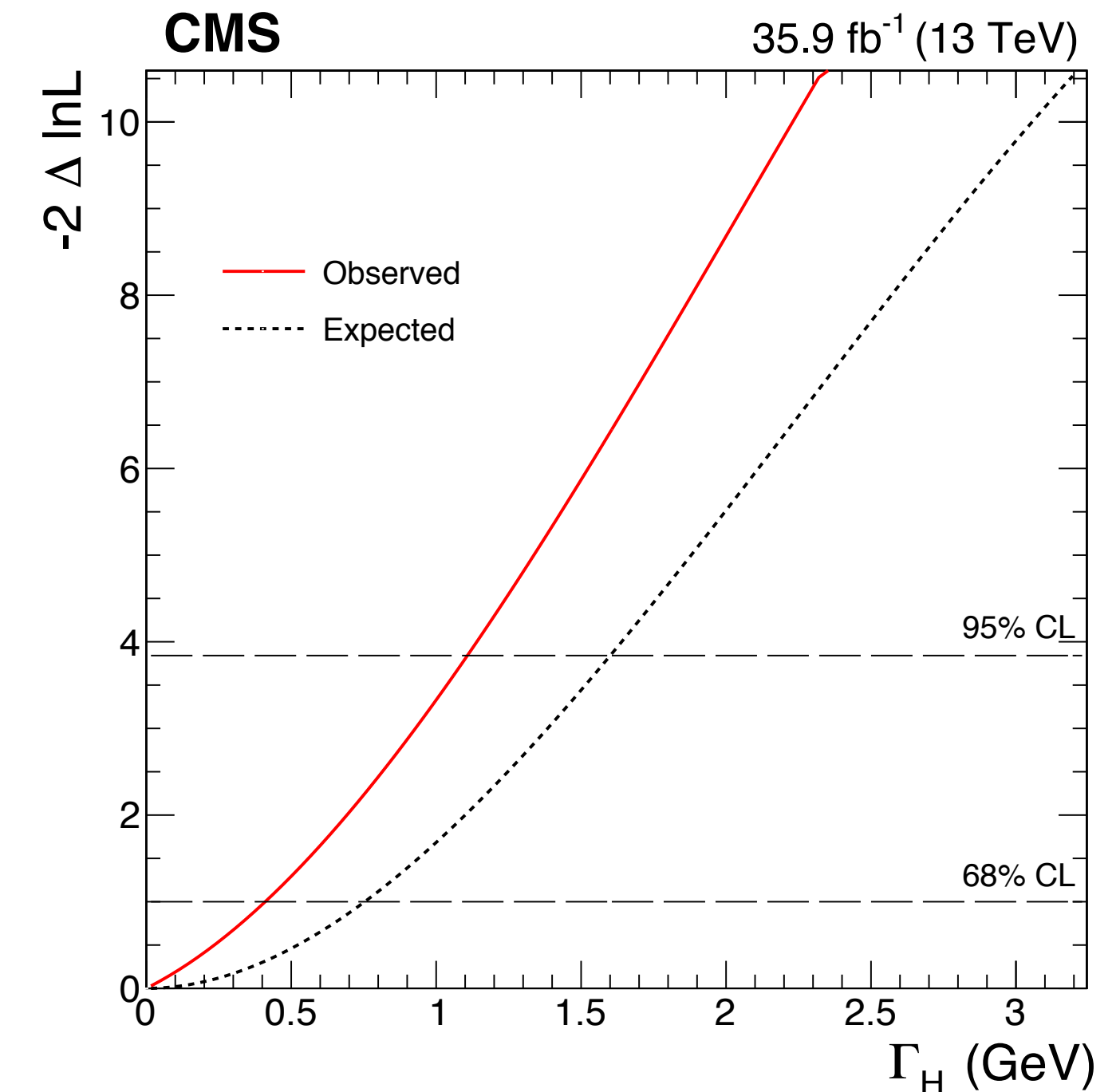
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Source	Contribution (GeV)
Electron energy scale and resolution corrections	0.10
Residual $p_T$ dependence of the photon energy scale	0.11
Modelling of the material budget	0.03
Nonuniformity of the light collection	0.11
Total systematic uncertainty	0.18
Statistical uncertainty	0.18
Total uncertainty	0.26



# Higgs boson width

- Direct measurement of Higgs boson width limited by the detector resolution
  - observed (expected) limit  $\Gamma_H < 1.1$  (1.6) GeV at 95% CL using 2016 data with  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$  channel [arxiv:1706.09936](https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.09936)
- Indirect constraint: combining on-shell and off-shell Higgs measurements, assuming on-shell and off-shell couplings are the same, expected precision from CMS for HL-LHC:  $\Gamma_H = 4.1^{+1.0}_{-1.1} \text{ MeV}$
- Snowmass: aim to study constraint on the  $\Gamma_H$  using interference in the  $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel on-shell rate and Higgs mass shift



# Ratio of coupling modifiers

Expected  $\pm 1\sigma$  uncertainties on the ratios of coupling modifiers

- Parametrisation based on ratios of the coupling modifiers ( $\lambda_{ij} = \kappa_i / \kappa_j$ ) together with a reference ratio of coupling modifiers  $\kappa_{gZ} = \kappa_g^* \kappa_Z / \kappa_H$ .
- No assumption on the Higgs total width as its effective modifier  $\kappa_H$  has been absorbed into the ratio  $\kappa_{gZ}$ .

