

# ATLAS DI-HIGGS SEARCHES AT 13 TEV.

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# Why search for Higgs pairs?

## SM motivation

Higgs **self-coupling** ( $\lambda_{hhh}$ ): last unmeasured SM parameter

- > **Challenging** target for the future
- > Requires high luminosity and **combination** of channels

## BSM motivation

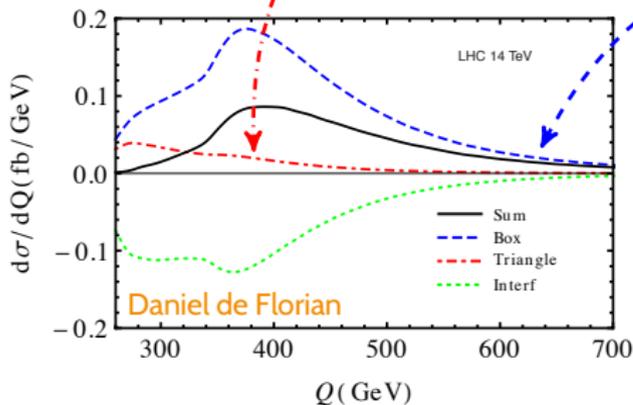
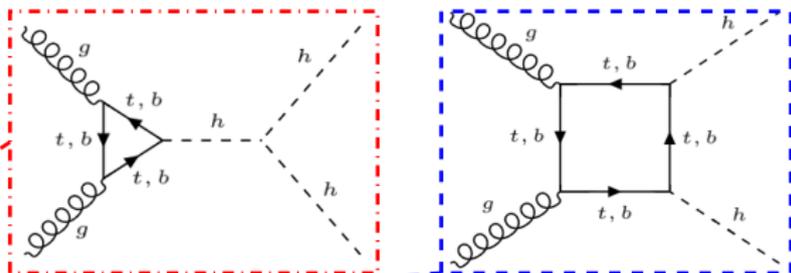
The Higgs boson at 125 GeV provides a new “standard candle”

- > Narrow resonance (smaller than experimental **resolution**)
- > ...new opportunities for **resonant** and **non-resonant** searches



# Interference between SM processes

SM di-Higgs  
observation difficult  
because **triangle**  
and **box** diagrams  
**interfere**  
destructively

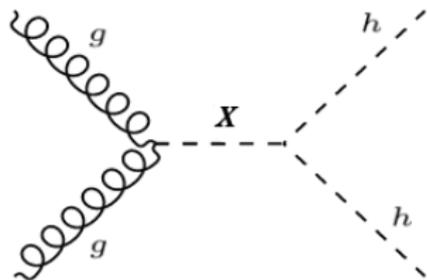
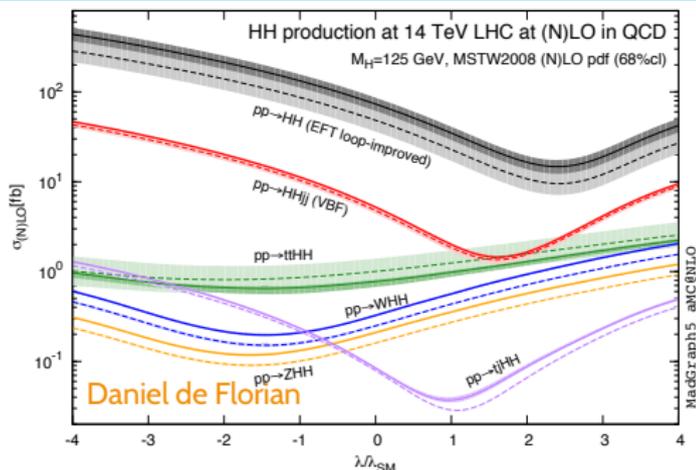


- > Some signatures use **high- $p_T$**  regime to reduce background
- > ...also reduces sensitivity to **self-coupling**



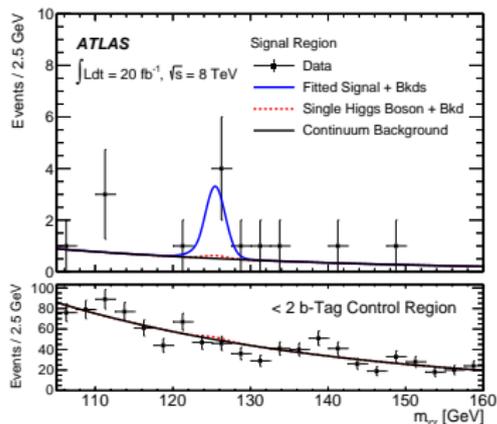
# BSM enhancements

- > Cross section **strongly** dependent on  $\lambda_{hhh}$
- > **Increased** cross section if  $\lambda_{hhh}$  is far from  $\lambda_{SM}$



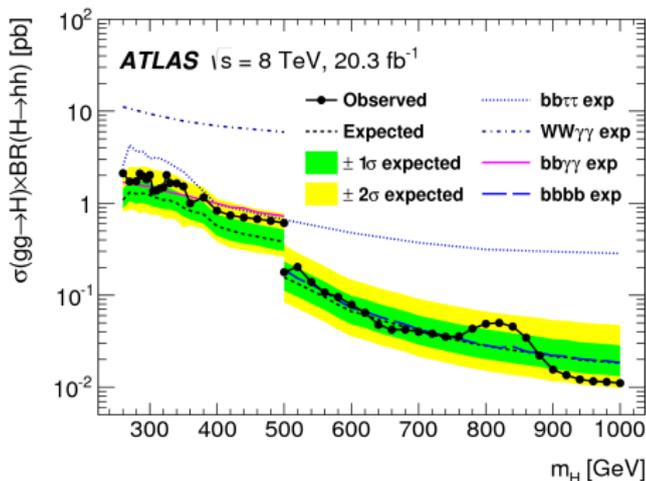
Many **resonant** BSM models

- > Two Higgs doublet model
- > Randall-Sundrum graviton
- > SUSY (eg. stoponium)
- > radions...



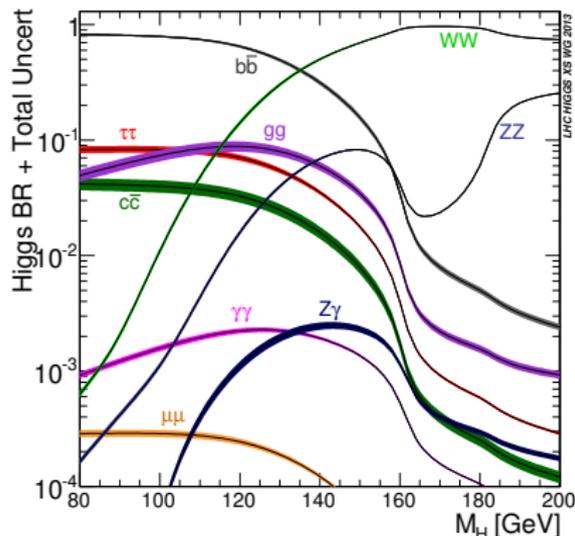
- > Run 1  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  (8 TeV)
- > 5 (1.5) events obs. (exp.)
- > Small ( $2.4\sigma$ ) excess

Combine:  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ ,  $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ ,  $WW\gamma\gamma$ ,  $b\bar{b}\tau\tau$



- > No significant excess seen in 8 TeV combination

- > Only two public ATLAS 13 TeV di-Higgs searches:  $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ ,  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$



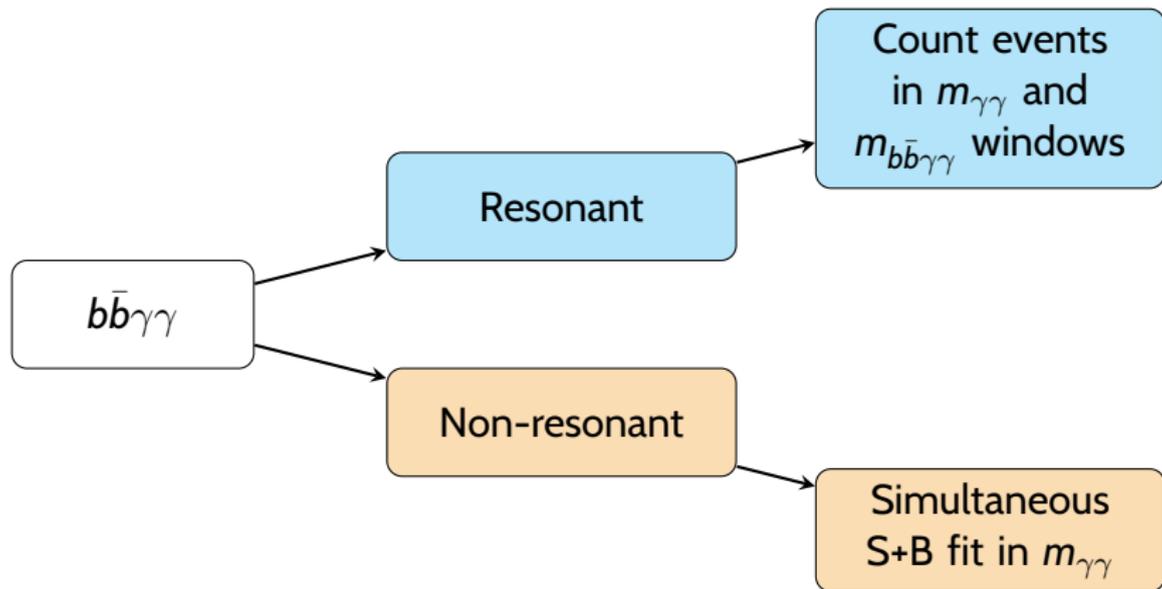
$hh \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$  has highest BR  $\sim 0.34$

## Why $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ ?

- 1  $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  BR  $\sim 0.57$
- 2 Best  $m_H$  resolution in  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- 3 Easy to trigger on diphotons

- > Other channels aiming for summer conferences or full 2016 dataset

## RUN 2 $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ ANALYSIS



- > Two well-identified, isolated **photons**<sup>1</sup>
- > Two anti- $k_t$   $R=0.4$  **jets**<sup>2</sup>:  $p_T^{1(2)} > 55$  (35) GeV (add close-by muon 4-vectors)
- > Recompute pileup rejection using diphoton **vertex**

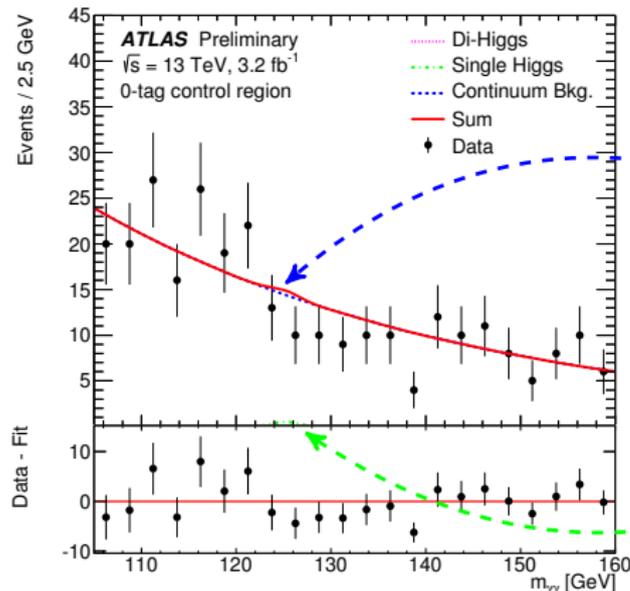
## Jet categories

- > 0  $b$ -jet: **control events**
- > 1  $b$ -jet: not used (low purity for selecting correct jets)
- > 2  $b$ -jet: **signal events**
- > 3+  $b$ -jet: vetoed (orthogonality to  $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ )

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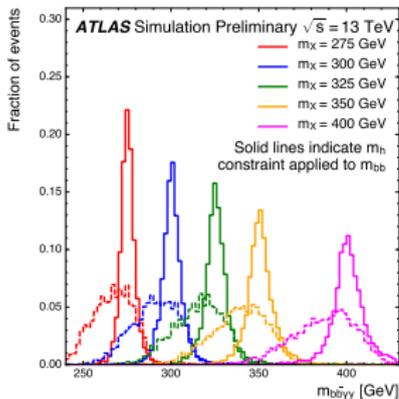
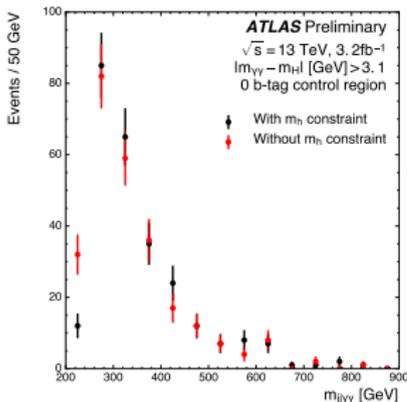
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- > Exponential fit to **continuum background** in 0-tag control region
- > Use same exponential in 2-tag **signal region**; normalised to sidebands
- > SM **single-/di-Higgs** also taken into account

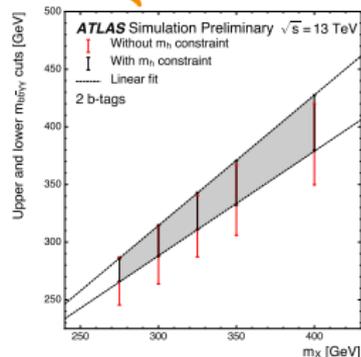
- > Look for any **excess** on top of the predicted contributions



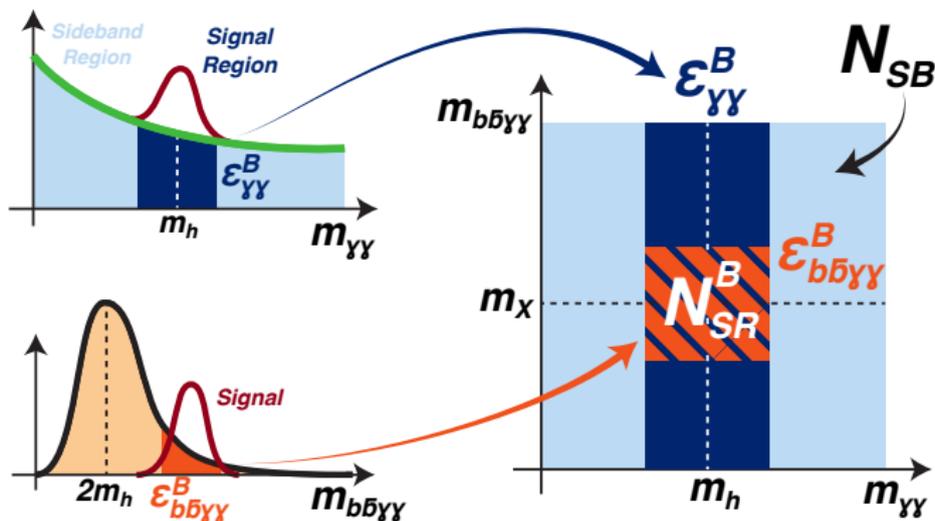
Start with requirement  $|m_H - m_{\gamma\gamma}| < 2\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$

- > **Constrain  $bb$  mass to  $m_H$ :** improves resolution without biasing multijet bkg
- > Use **simulation** to define 95% efficient  $m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma}$  **windows**

Count events inside defined signal region



Background contribution extrapolated from **control regions**

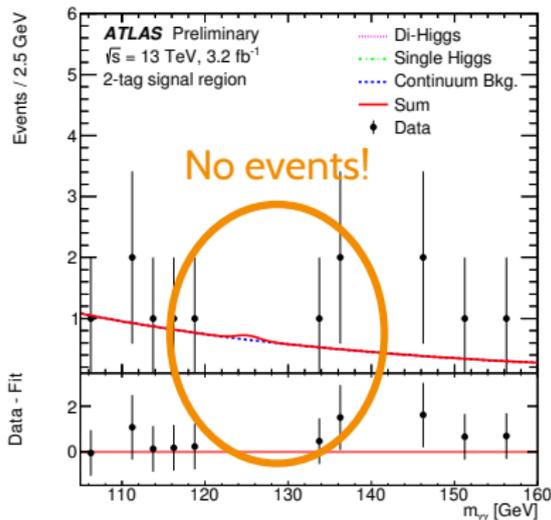


$$N_{\text{continuum}}^{SR} = N_{\text{continuum}}^{\text{sideband}} \times \frac{\epsilon_{\gamma\gamma}^B}{1 - \epsilon_{\gamma\gamma}^B} \epsilon_{\gamma\gamma bb}^B$$

Process	0-tag	2-tag
Continuum background	$35.8 \pm 2.1$	$1.63 \pm 0.30$
SM single-Higgs	$1.8 \pm 1.5$	$0.14 \pm 0.05$
SM di-Higgs	$<0.001$	$0.027 \pm 0.006$
Observed	27	0

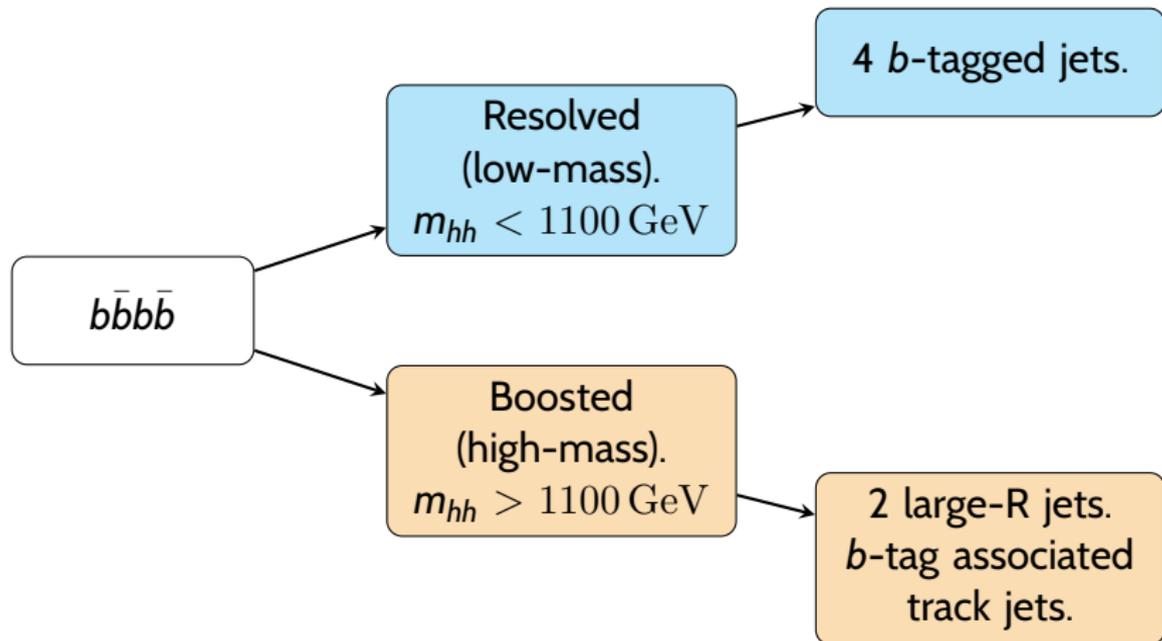
Inside  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  window around  $m_H$

- > 0-tag control: 27 (38) events obs. (exp.)
- > 2-tag signal: 0 (2) events obs. (exp.)



- > No events in the signal region  $\rightarrow$  no events in resonant analysis
- > Limits set on resonant and non-resonant production

## **RUN 2 $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ ANALYSIS**



## Resolved selection

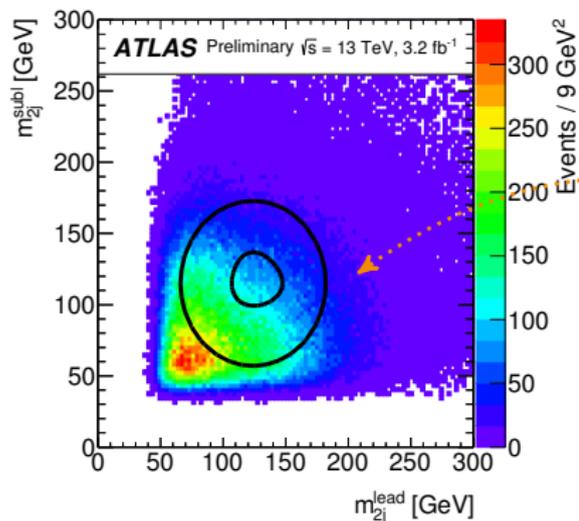
- > **4+**  $b$ -tagged anti- $k_t$   $R=0.4$  **jets** (add close-by muon 4-vectors)
- > Two **dijet** systems grouped in  $\Delta R$ , requiring minimum  $\Delta\eta$
- > Low  $m_{4j}$ :  $p_T^{jj^{1(2)}} > 200$  (150) GeV
- > High  $m_{4j}$ :  $p_T^{jj^{1(2)}} > 400$  (260) GeV

## Boosted selection

- > **2** anti- $k_t$   $R=1.0$  **jets** (add close-by muon 4-vectors)
- > Require  $250 < p_T < 1500$  GeV
- > Ghost-associated track jets used for  **$b$ -tagging**
- > Separate **3**  $b$ -tag and **4+**  $b$ -tag categories



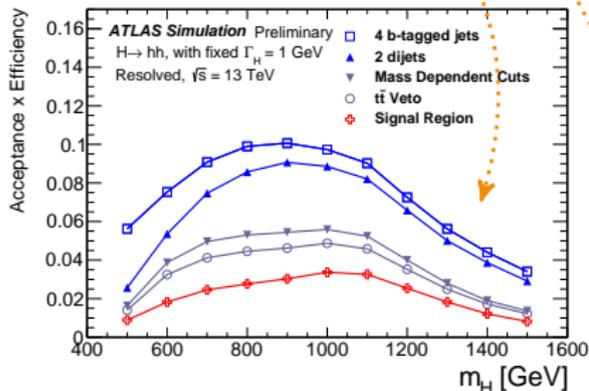
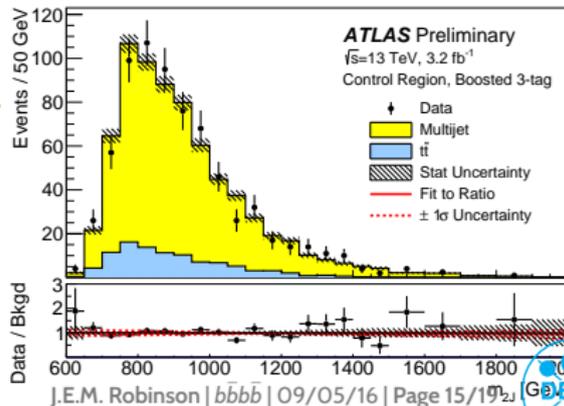
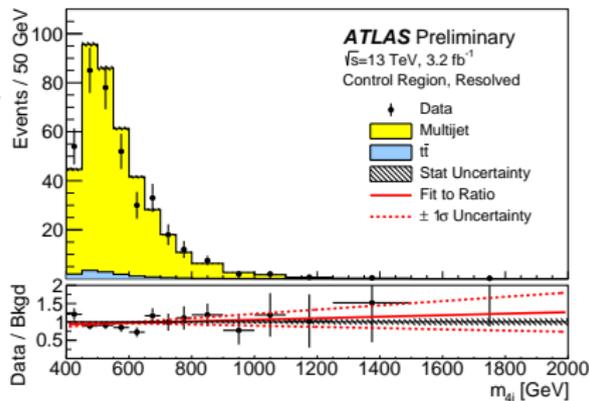
- > Kinematic veto reduces large  $t\bar{t}$  background
- > Residual contribution normalised to data in control region



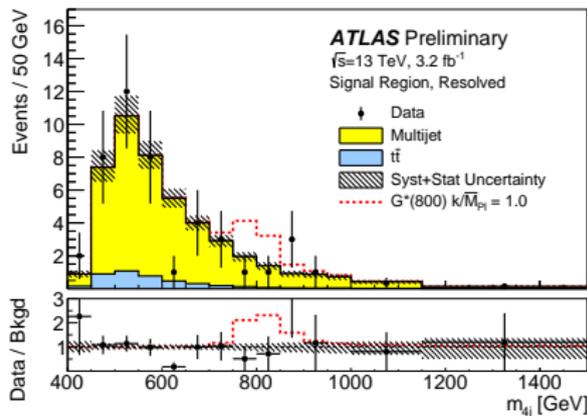
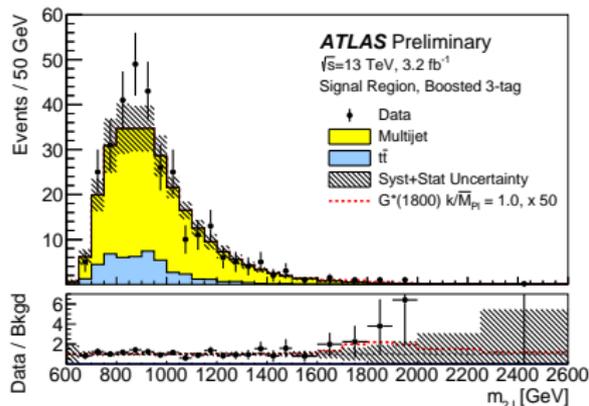
- > Events with exactly 2  $b$ -tagged jets  
→ QCD background
- > Take sideband region and reweight kinematics:  
 $p_T^{jj}, \Delta R_{jj^{\text{subl}}}, \Delta R_{jj, jj}$
- > Normalise to 4  $b$ -tag sample and subtract

Similar procedure used for boosted analysis

- > Agreement in **control regions**
- > Kinematic selection affects **signal acceptance**
- > Calculated for each **mass point** in each model

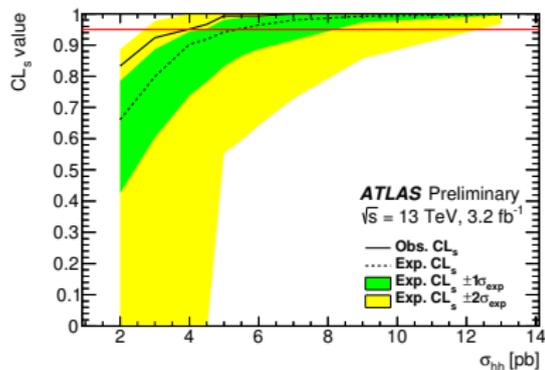


- Data agrees well with background-only prediction
- No significant excesses seen



- Limits on non-resonant production plus graviton and heavy-Higgs models

## **INTERPRETATION AND LIMIT-SETTING**

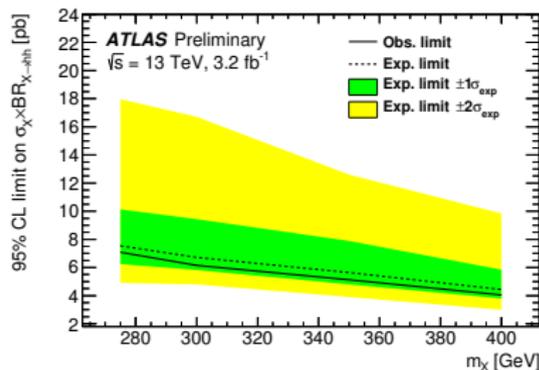


## Non-resonant production:

- > Set limits with **CLs** technique
- > 3.9(5.4) pb obs. (exp.) limit

## Resonant production:

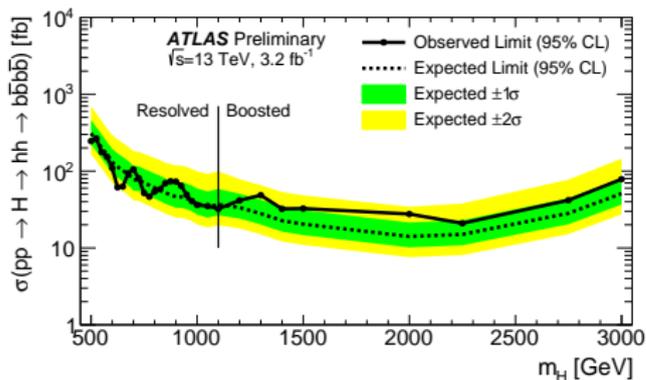
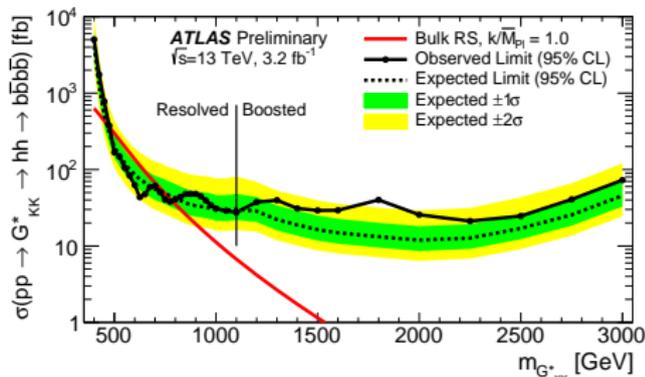
- > Use **toys** due to low number of expected events
- > Observe 4.0–7.0 pb for resonance masses 275–400 GeV



Non-resonant limit: 1.22 pb

Resonant: spin-2 RS Graviton

- >  $475 < m_{G_{KK}^*} < 785 \text{ GeV}$  ( $k/\bar{M}_{Pl} = 1.0$ )
- >  $m_{G_{KK}^*} < 980 \text{ GeV}$  ( $k/\bar{M}_{Pl} = 2.0$ )



Resonant: spin-0 heavy Higgs

- > 95% CL limits 30–150 fb
- > ...for resonance masses 500–3000 GeV

# Conclusions

- > ATLAS has released the first **13 TeV** di-Higgs searches
- > No significant excesses → set limits with **3.2 fb<sup>-1</sup>** of data

## Non-resonant limits

$$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma: 3.9 \text{ pb} \quad b\bar{b}b\bar{b}: 1.22 \text{ pb}$$

## Resonant limits

- >  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  in range 275–400 GeV on generic heavy resonances
  - >  $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$  in range 500–3000 GeV on RS-graviton and heavy Higgs
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- > **Improved** limits with respect to Run 1 in both channels
  - > 2016 should be an interesting year for **di-Higgs searches**
  - > More data is coming soon...stay tuned!



**BACKUP**

# Full $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ event/object selection

Objects	Selection
Photons	Tight ID, isolated, $ \eta  < 2.37$ $p_{T1} > 0.35 m_{\gamma\gamma}$ , $p_{T2} > 0.25 m_{\gamma\gamma}$ $105 < m_{\gamma\gamma} [\text{GeV}] < 160$
Jets	$p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$ , $ \eta  < 2.5$ $ \text{JVT}  > 0.64$ ( $p_T < 50 \text{ GeV}$ , $ \eta  < 2.5$ )
Muons	Medium ID $p_T > 4 \text{ GeV}$ , $ \eta  < 2.5$ $ d_0^{\text{sig}}  < 3.0$ , $ z_0  < 0.5 \text{ mm}$
$b$ -jets	MV2c20 85% $b$ -jet muon correction ( $\Delta R < 0.4$ )
Remove objects overlapping with selected photons	
Signal/control ( $b$ )-jets	$p_{T1} > 55 \text{ GeV}$ , $p_{T2} > 35 \text{ GeV}$ $95 < m_{jj} [\text{GeV}] < 135$

## Count number of $b$ -jets

- > 0  $b$ -tag category: control
- > 1  $b$ -tag category: not used  
(low purity of selecting correct jets)
- > 2  $b$ -tag category: signal
- > 3  $b$ -tag category: not used  
(remain orthogonal to 4 $b$  channel)



Source of systematic uncertainty		Impact in % on the search for di-Higgs production in					
		non-resonant mode			resonant mode		
		$hh$ signal	Single- $h$ bkg	Cont.	$X \rightarrow hh$ signal	SM $h+hh$ bkg	Cont.
Luminosity		$\pm 5.0$	$\pm 5.0$	-	$\pm 5.0$	$\pm 5.0$	-
Trigger		$\pm 0.4$	$\pm 0.4$	-	$\pm 0.4$	$\pm 0.4$	-
Pileup reweighting		$\pm 1.6$	$+2.4 / -0.4$	-	$\pm 1.0$	$\pm 2.3$	-
Generated event statistics		$\pm 1.3$	$\pm 16.8$	-	$\pm 4.3$	$\pm 12.6$	-
Photon	energy resolution	$+30 / -15$	$+30 / -15$	-	$+7.0 / -0.3$	$+0.0 / -3.8$	-
	energy scale	$\pm 0.5$	$\pm 0.5$	-	$+1.9 / -3.5$	$+2.8 / -3.0$	-
	identification	$\pm 2.5$	$\pm 2.5$	-	$\pm 2.5$	$\pm 2.5$	-
	isolation	$\pm 3.4$	$\pm 3.4$	-	$\pm 3.9$	$\pm 3.9$	-
Jet	energy resolution	$\pm 2.7$	$\pm 24$	-	$\pm 9.1$	$\pm 1.6-9.8$	-
	energy scale	$+1.3 / -1.1$	$\pm 12$	-	$\pm 12.1$	$\pm 10.6$	-
$b$ -tagging	$b$ -jets	$\pm 12.9$	$\pm 10.0$	-	$\pm 12.6$	$\pm 12.6$	-
	$c$ -jets	$\pm 0.05$	$\pm 4.1$	-	$\pm 0.2$	$\pm 3.0$	-
	light-jets	$\pm 0.5$	$+3.9 / -4.6$	-	$\pm 0.2$	$\pm 0.5$	-
	extrapolation	$\pm 5.1$	$\pm 2.8$	-	$\pm 5.2$	$\pm 3.0$	-
Shape	$m_{\gamma\gamma}$ modelling	-	-	$\pm 11$	-	-	$\pm 11$
	$m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma}$ modelling	-	-	-	-	$\pm 25.0$	$\pm 27-40$
Theory	PDF+ $\alpha_S$	-	$+6.8 / -6.6$	-	-	$+7.4 / -7.3$	-
	Scale	-	$+5.7 / -8.2$	-	-	$+6.9 / -10.9$	-
	EFT	-	-	-	-	$\pm 5.7$	-
Total		$+34 / -22$	$+43 / -35$	$\pm 11$	$+23 / -22$	$+36 / -35$	$\pm 29-41$

- > Reduced from 86 nuisance parameters
- > Resonant-mass-dependent systematics shown as range



# $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ systematics: resolved

Source	Background	SM $hh$	$G_{KK}^*$ (500 GeV)	$G_{KK}^*$ (800 GeV)		$H$
			$\frac{k}{M_{P1}} = 1$	$\frac{k}{M_{P1}} = 1$	$\frac{k}{M_{P1}} = 2$	
Luminosity	–	5	5	5	5	5
JER	–	2	3	3	3	4
JES	–	12	14	5	4	6
$b$ -tagging	–	18	15	26	27	26
Theoretical	–	13	2	3	3	3
Multijet	5	–	–	–	–	–
$t\bar{t}$	6	–	–	–	–	–
Total	8	26	21	28	28	28

- Systematic uncertainties in the signal region
- Expressed in percentage of background and signal yield



# $\bar{b}\bar{b}\bar{b}\bar{b}$ systematics: boosted

Source	Background	$G_{KK}^*$		$H$
		$k/\bar{M}_{P1} = 1$	$k/\bar{M}_{P1} = 2$	
Luminosity	-	5.0	5.0	5.0
3-tag				
JER	< 1	< 1	< 1	< 1
JES	2	< 1	< 1	< 1
JMR	1	12	12	11
JMS	5	14	13	17
$b$ -tagging	1	23	22	23
Theoretical	-	3	3	3
Multijet Normalization	3	-	-	-
Statistical	2	1	1	1
Total	7	31	30	33
4-tag				
JER	< 1	< 1	< 1	< 1
JES	< 1	< 1	< 1	< 1
JMR	4	12	13	13
JMS	5	13	13	14
$b$ -tagging	2	36	36	36
Theoretical	-	3	3	3
Multijet Normalization	14	-	-	-
Statistical	3	1	1	1
Total	15	42	42	43

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