



Spin, Anomalous Couplings, CP structure

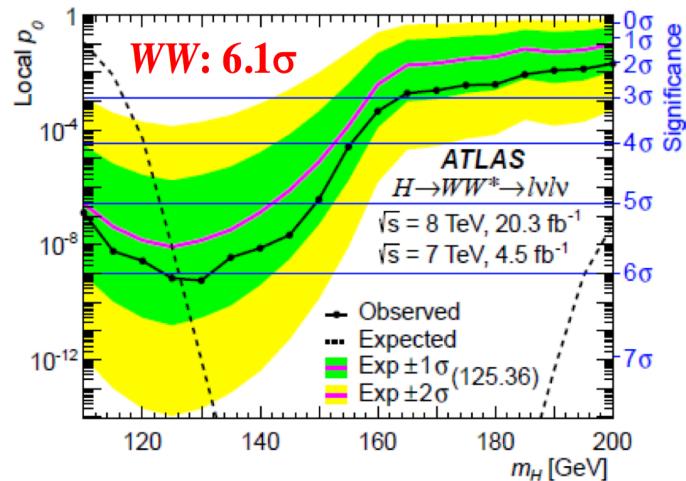
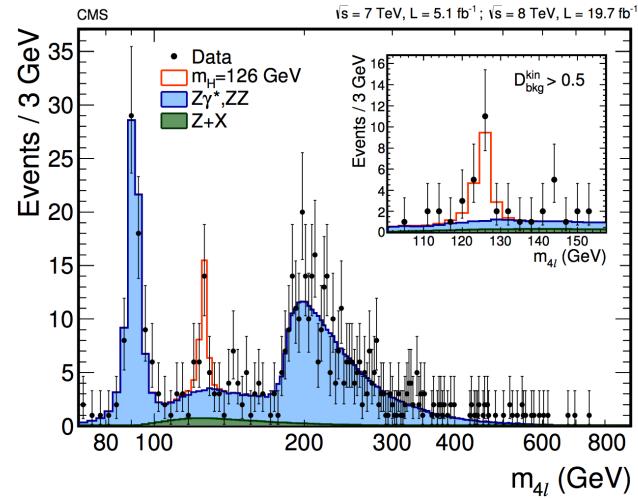
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Introduction

- In 2012 we discovered the Higgs boson
- But is it really “**The**” Higgs boson?
 - It is a neutral particle with a known mass that decays as the SM Higgs would
- Study fundamental properties
→ **Spin, anomalous couplings and CP structure**
- ATLAS and CMS have extended studies of the spin-parity properties of the Higgs boson:
 - full LHC Run-1 dataset, 7 and 8 TeV
 - **H \rightarrow ZZ, H \rightarrow WW, H \rightarrow $\gamma\gamma$** decay channels



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Two kind of analyses

- **Straightforward:** Test of **different BSM spin and CP hypotheses**
→ Exotic spin-1 or spin-2, BSM $0^- 0^+_h$
- **More complicated:** study of the tensor structure of the HVV interactions setting **limits on anomalous couplings** under spin-0 assumption
- ATLAS and CMS perform:
 - **Hypothesis testing** → Different J^{CP} models are compared with the SM versus the data and ruled out individually
 - **Parameter estimation** → where different parameters related to anomalous couplings are measured
- Rely on simulation of the alternative hypotheses, done with:
 - **MadGraph5_aMC@NLO, POWHEG+JHUGen (ATLAS)**
 - **POWHEG+JHUGen (CMS)**

Kinematic variables

- The analysis is done via the study of the **kinematic distributions of the decay products**
 - Determined by the tensor structure of the HVV interactions
 - The number of kinematic variables available depends on the Higgs decay → determines the strategy followed in each channel

Production:

gg/qq/any

Decay:

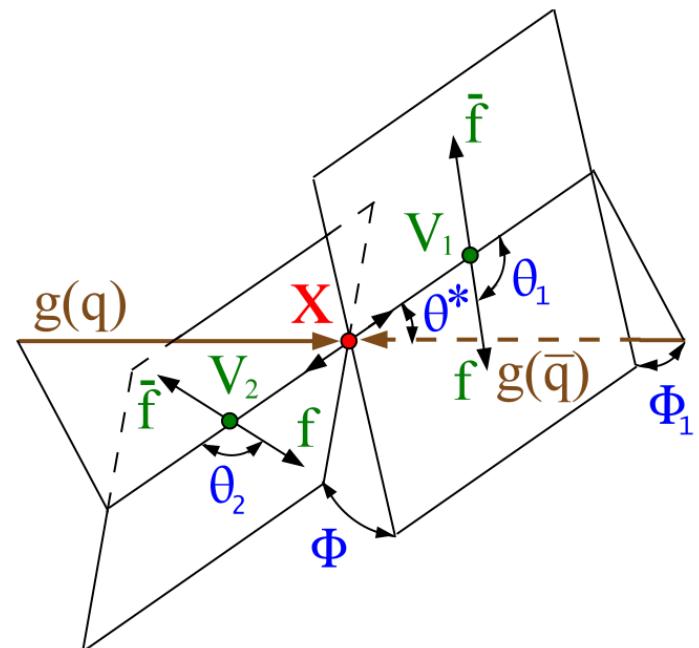
ZZ/Z γ^* / $\gamma^*\gamma^*$ → 4l, WW → 2l2v, and $\gamma\gamma$

Two production angles:

θ^* and Φ_1 in the X rest frame

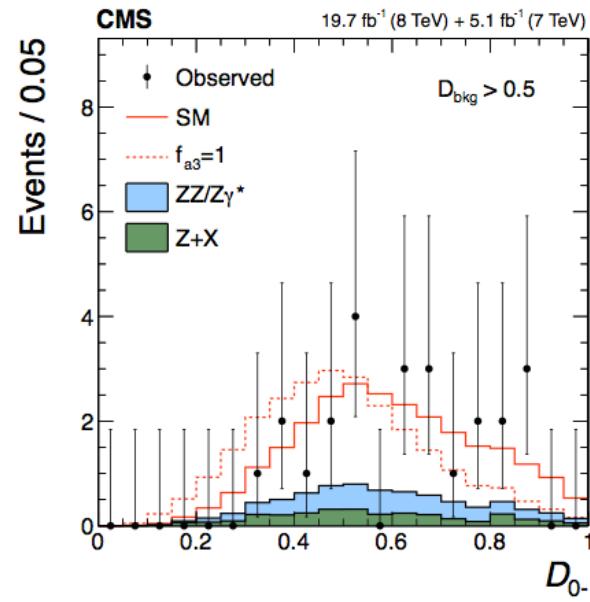
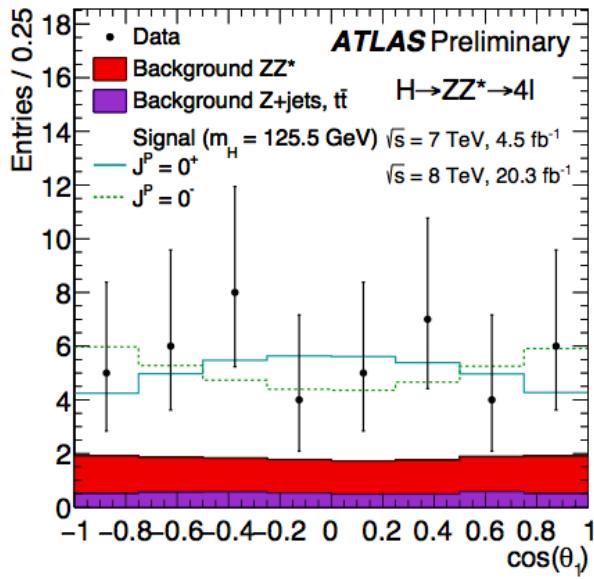
Three decay angles:

θ_1 , θ_2 , and Φ in the V rest frames



H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l

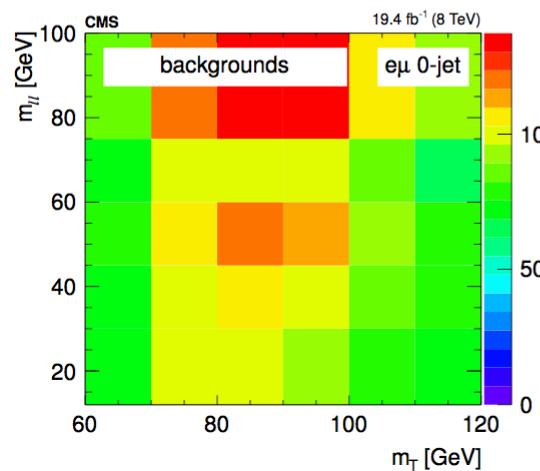
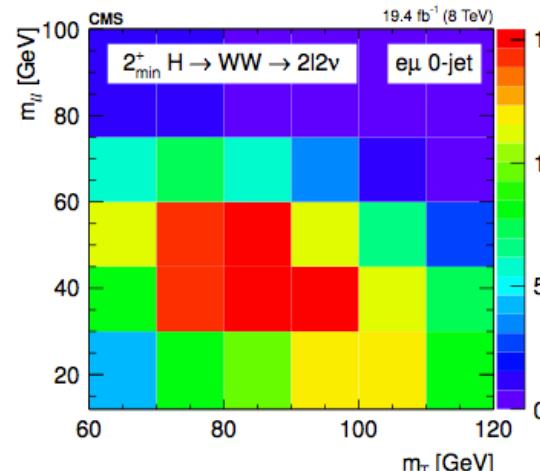
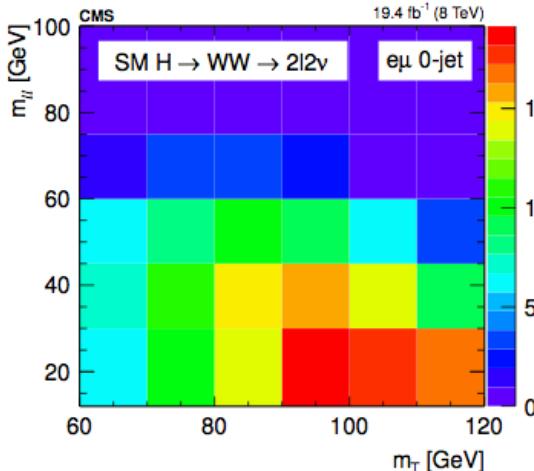
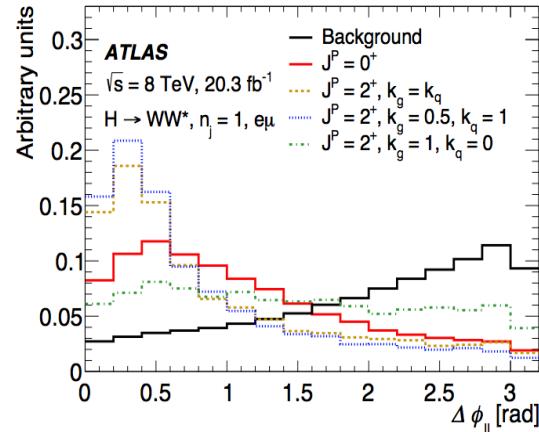
- The complete final state can be reconstructed → Full kinematic information accessible → Best sensitivity
- 8 kinematic variables: 5 angles : $\theta^*, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \Phi_1$; 3 masses: m_{Z1}, m_{Z2}, m_{4l}



- The information is condensed in a set of discriminants based on:
 - Matrix Element calculations, such as the Matrix Element Likelihood Approach (MELA) or BDT discriminants trained with simulation

$H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 2l2v$

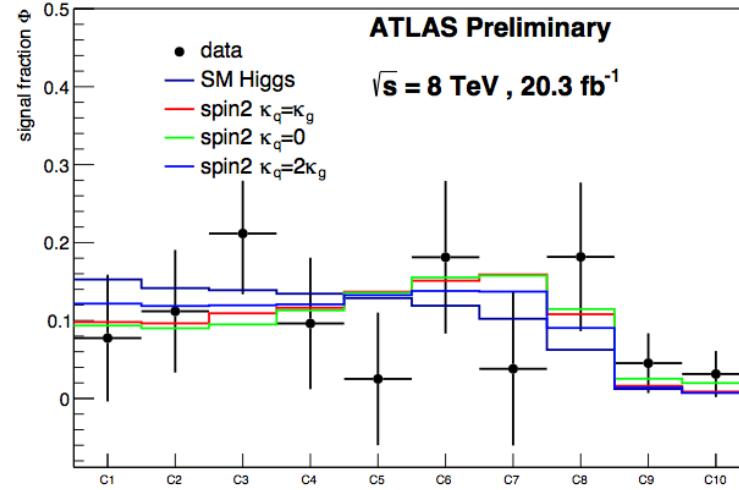
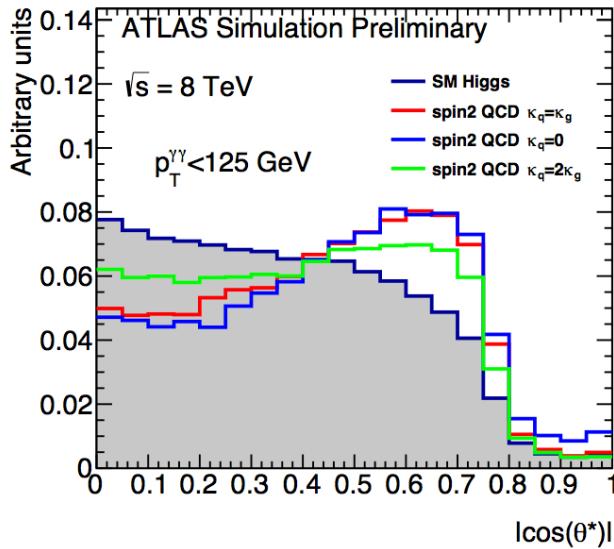
- Two lepton final state ($e\mu$), two neutrinos
→ **full final state cannot be reconstructed**
- Rely on limited set kinematics
 - m_{ll} , m_T (CMS) - m_{ll} , $\Delta\phi_{ll}$, p_T^{ll} , m_T (ATLAS)
- The analysis is performed using
 - **2D templates** (legacy SM analysis) (CMS)
 - **BDT** trained using input variables (different BDTs for SM signal/ background, BSM signal/background, SM signal/BSM signal) (ATLAS)



H $\rightarrow\gamma\gamma$

- Only a single kinematic variable encodes the spin information
 - $\cos\theta^*$: cosine of scattering angle in the Collins-Soper frame
- Both ATLAS and CMS use the same variable and follow their respective legacy H $\rightarrow\gamma\gamma$ analyses

$$|\cos\theta^*| = \frac{|\sinh(\Delta\eta^{\gamma\gamma})|}{\sqrt{1 + (p_T^{\gamma\gamma}/m_{\gamma\gamma})^2}} \frac{2p_T^{\gamma 1} p_T^{\gamma 2}}{m_{\gamma\gamma}^2}$$

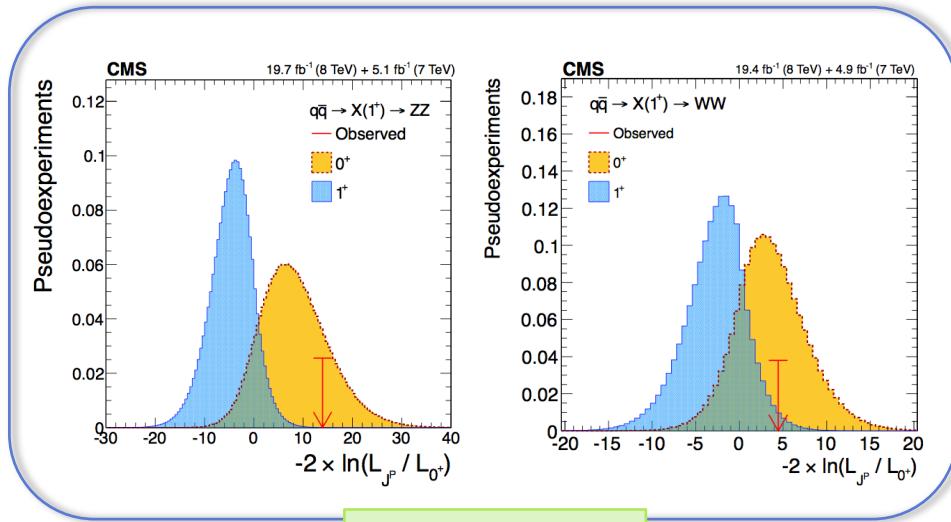


Spin studies

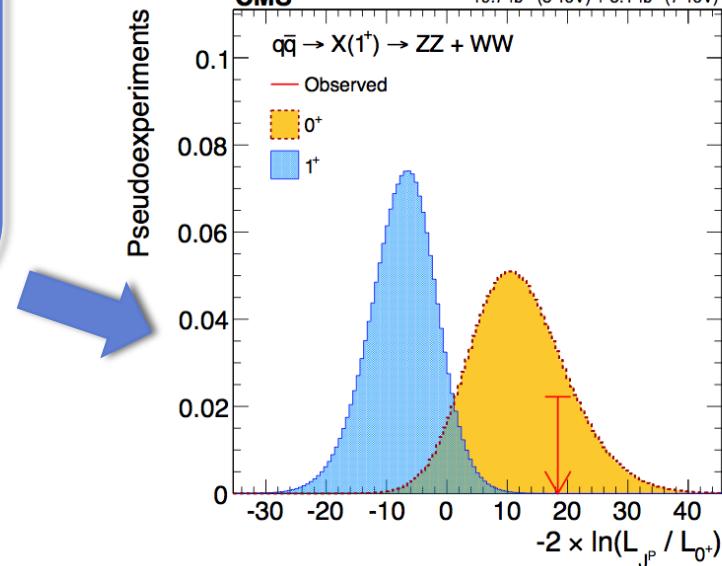
- The main sensitivity comes from **H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l** channel
 - H \rightarrow WW and H \rightarrow $\gamma\gamma$ also used and combined
- Hypothesis testing of SM against:
 - All mixtures of spin-1 states
 - 1⁺, 1⁻ and mixed, qq produced
 - Several individual spin-2 models
 - Comprehensive set of benchmark states
 - qq, gg produced
 - Spin-0
 - Pure pseudoscalar 0⁻ and pure scalar with higher order corrections 0⁺_h
- Test statistic used to quantify the consistency of the two models with data

Spin-1

- $J=1$ not allowed for $X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ by the Landau-Yang theorem
- Spin-1 models tested anyway experimentally
 - under the hypothesis that the excess in WW and ZZ is not the same resonance as $\gamma\gamma$

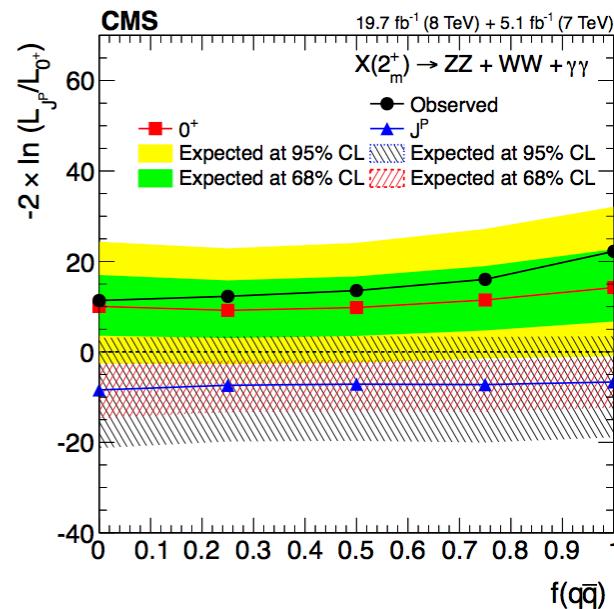
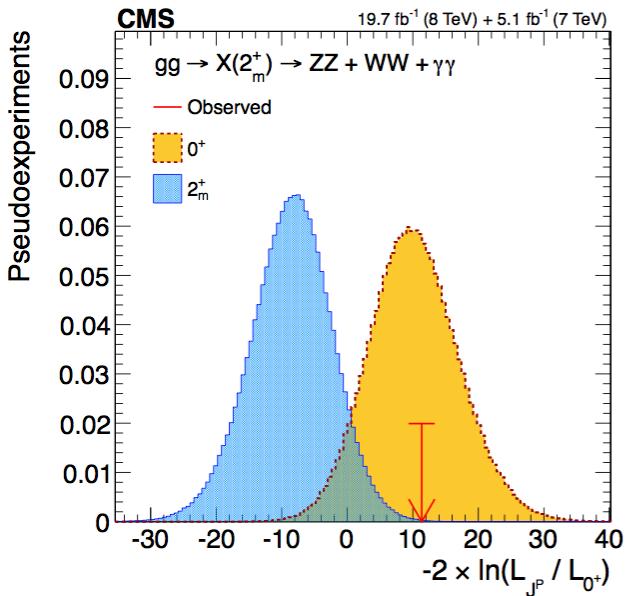


pseudovector 1^+

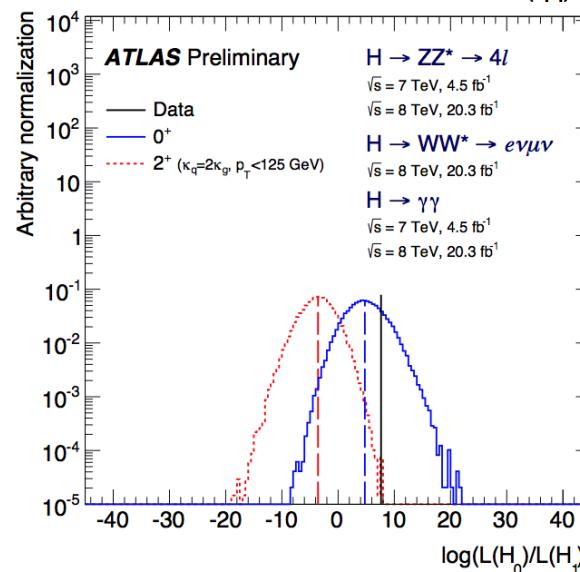
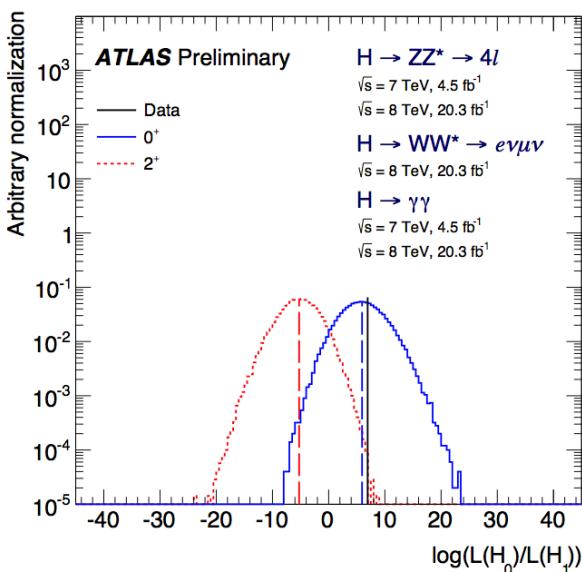


Spin-2

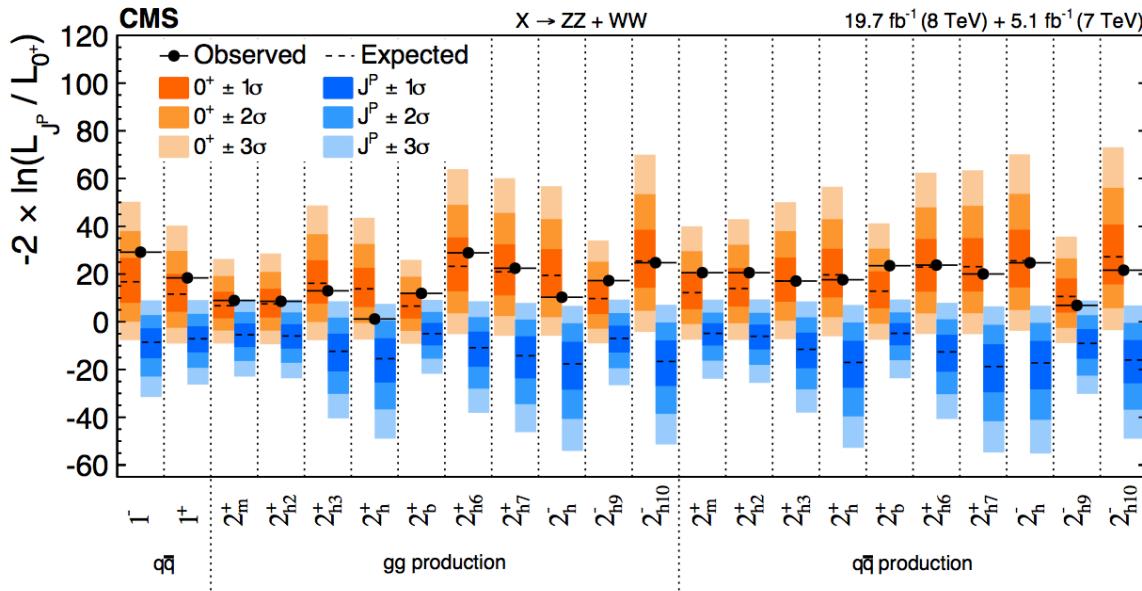
$X \rightarrow ZZ + WW + \gamma\gamma$
combination for
 2^+_m model:
graviton-like with
minimal
couplings



$X \rightarrow ZZ + WW + \gamma\gamma$
combination for
 2^+ model for
universal and
non-universal
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Exotic Spin Results



J^P	J^P	Expected	Expected	Expected	Expected	Obs. 0^+	Obs. J^P	CL_s
Model	Prod.	$X \rightarrow ZZ$	$X \rightarrow WW$	$X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	$(\mu=1)$			
2_m^+	gg	1.9σ	1.8σ	1.6σ	3.0σ (3.7σ)	-0.2σ	$+3.3\sigma$	0.13%
2_m^+	qq	1.7σ	2.7σ	1.2σ	3.3σ (4.4σ)	-0.9σ	$+4.7\sigma$	0.001%

Tested Hypothesis	$p_{exp,\mu=1}^{ALT}$	$p_{exp,\mu=\hat{\mu}}^{ALT}$	p_{obs}^{SM}	p_{obs}^{ALT}	Obs. CL_s (%)
0_h^+	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.85	$7.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$4.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$
0^-	$1.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.88	$< 3.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$< 2.6 \cdot 10^{-2}$
2^+	$4.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.61	$4.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$2^+(\kappa_q = 0; p_T < 300)$	$< 3.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$< 3.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.52	$< 3.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$< 6.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$2^+(\kappa_q = 0; p_T < 125)$	$3.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$	0.71	$4.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$2^+(\kappa_q = 2\kappa_g; p_T < 300)$	$< 3.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$< 3.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	0.28	$< 3.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$< 4.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$2^+(\kappa_q = 2\kappa_g; p_T < 125)$	$7.8 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.80	$7.3 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$3.7 \cdot 10^{-2}$



All spin-1 hypotheses excluded at $> 99.999\%$
 CL_s , Spin-2 boson 2_m^+ , excluded at a $99.87\% CL_s$, other spin-2 hypotheses excluded at a $\geq 99\% CL_s$



All considered non-SM spin hypotheses excluded at $> 99\% CL$ in favor of the SM

Anomalous Couplings

- Both ATLAS and CMS exclude all the exotic spin 1 and 2 hypotheses tested at 99%CL or higher
- The new boson has spin 0
 - Pure pseudoscalar hypothesis, 0^- , ruled out
 - It appears to be compatible with the $J^{CP=0^{++}}$ SM state
- It still could be a mixture of CP states → the couplings to gauge bosons could have small anomalous components
 - We need to study the tensor structure of the HVV interaction
- Hypothesis testing is not sufficient → parameter measurement
 - ATLAS and CMS follow similar routes while measuring slightly different parameters

Spin-0: CMS

- The decay amplitude for a spin-0 boson to a pair of V bosons can be described as:

$$A(HV_1V_2) \sim \underbrace{\left[a_1^{V_1V_2} + \frac{\kappa_1^{V_1V_2} q_{V_1}^2 + \kappa_2^{V_1V_2} q_{V_2}^2}{\left(\Lambda_1^{V_1V_2}\right)^2} \right]}_{\substack{\Lambda_1 \text{ term} \\ \text{leading momentum expansion}}} m_V^2 \epsilon_{V_1}^* \epsilon_{V_2}^* + \underbrace{a_2^{V_1V_2} f_{\mu\nu}^{*(V_1)} f^{*(V_2),\mu\nu}}_{\substack{a_2 \text{ term} \\ \text{CP even state}}} + \underbrace{a_3^{V_1V_2} f_{\mu\nu}^{*(V_1)} \tilde{f}^{*(V_2),\mu\nu}}_{\substack{a_3 \text{ term} \\ \text{CP odd state}}}$$

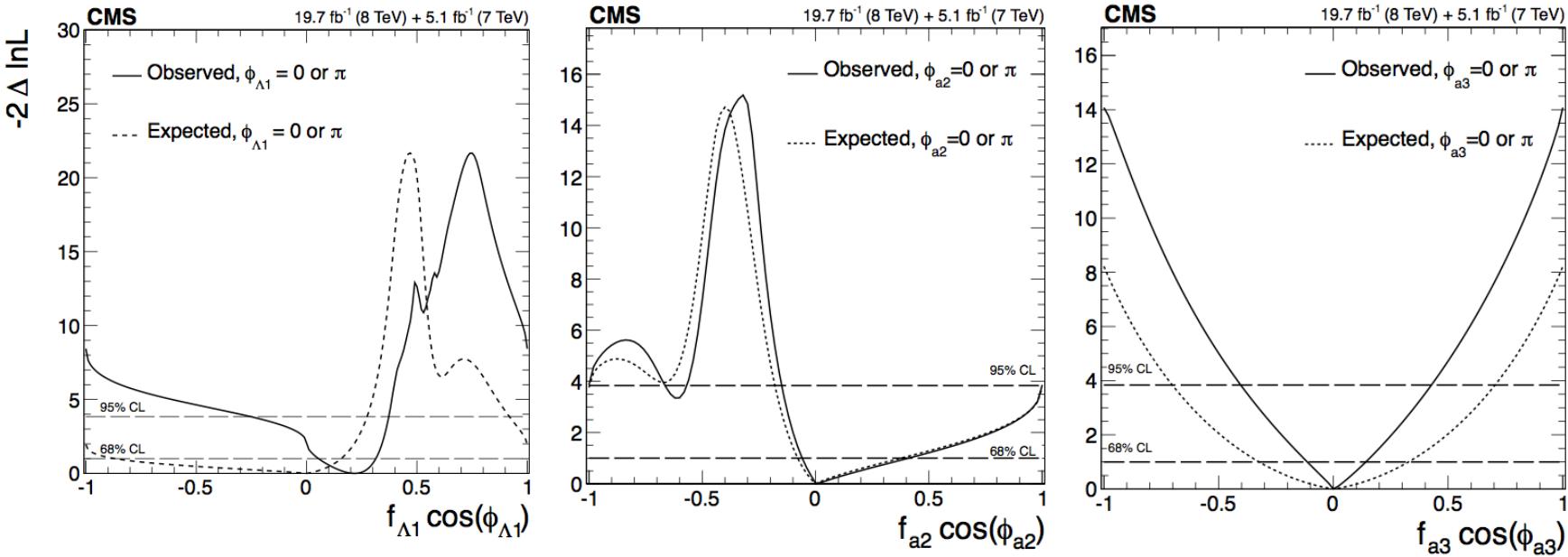
- We choose a parameterization that relates cross sections fractions (\mathbf{f}_{a2} , \mathbf{f}_{a3} , $\mathbf{f}_{\Lambda 1}$) to a_2 , a_3 , and Λ_1

$$f_{a3} = \frac{|a_3|^2 \sigma_3}{|a_1|^2 \sigma_1 + |a_2|^2 \sigma_2 + |a_3|^2 \sigma_3 + \tilde{\sigma}_{\Lambda 1} / (\Lambda_1)^4 + \dots}, \quad \phi_{a3} = \arg \left(\frac{a_3}{a_1} \right)$$

- σ_i in each case corresponds to $a_i = 1$ and $a_{j \neq i} = 0$
- $\mathbf{f}_{a1} = 1 - \mathbf{f}_{a2} - \mathbf{f}_{a3} - \mathbf{f}_{\Lambda 1} - \dots$ is the SM contribution \rightarrow expected to dominate
- For a measured value of $\mathbf{f}_x \rightarrow$ possible to extract the ratio a_i/a_1

Likelihood scans of f_x

- Likelihood scans for the three effective fractions for $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ (most sensitive channel) in the most representative scenario
 - Couplings constrained to be real, other couplings fixed to the SM



Full set of scans available, e.g. allowing complex phases. fitting more than one parameter at a time ...
→ all consistent with the SM

$$\phi_{a3} = \pi \quad \phi_{a3} = 0$$

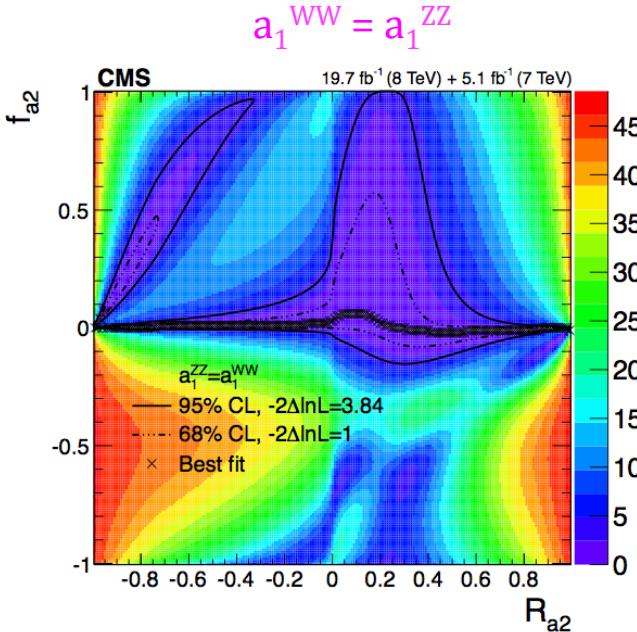
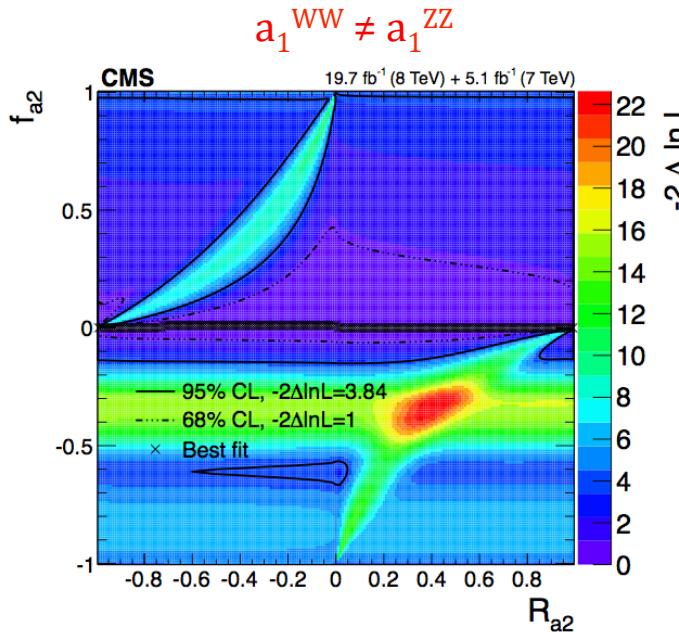
$\cos\phi$ term allows for a signed quantity
 $\cos\phi = -1 (\pi)$ or $+1 (0)$

H \rightarrow ZZ and H \rightarrow WW combination

- General relationship between HWW and HZZ couplings

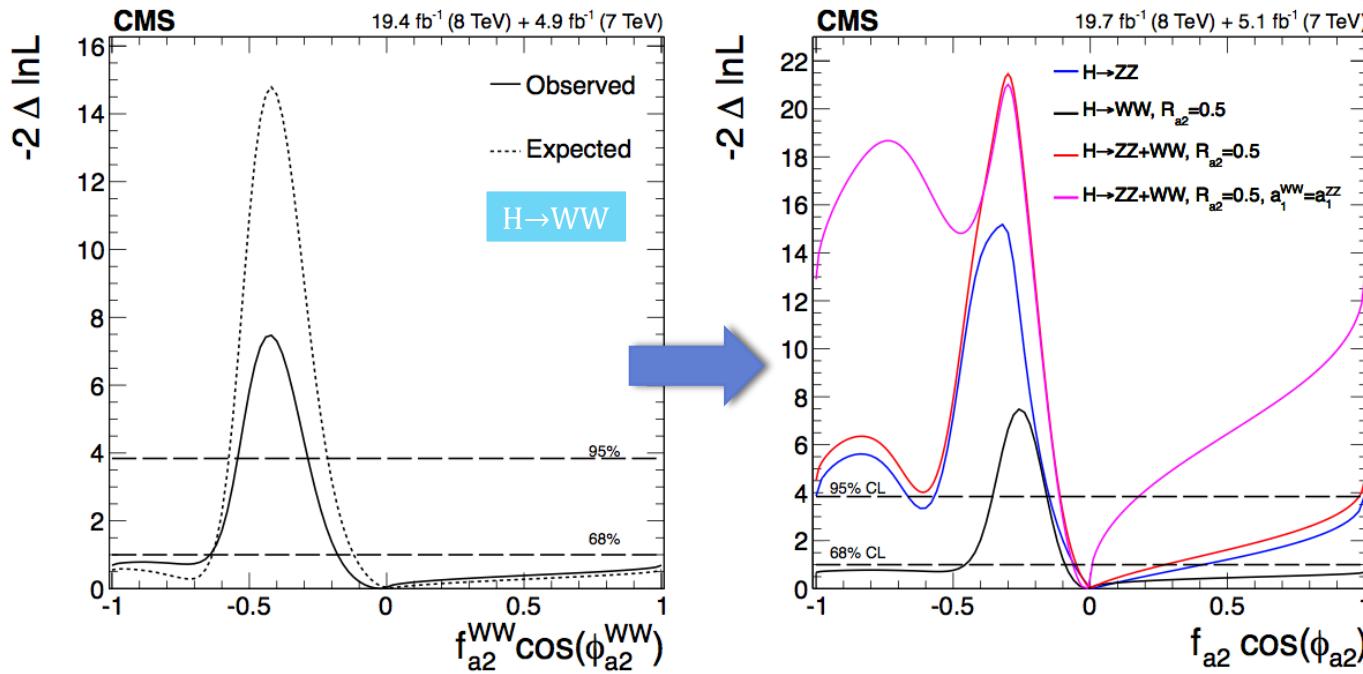
$$r_{ai} = \frac{a_i^{\text{WW}} / a_1^{\text{WW}}}{a_i / a_1} \quad r_{ai} [-\infty, +\infty] \longrightarrow R_{ai} = \frac{r_{ai} |r_{ai}|}{1 + r_{ai}^2} \quad R_{ai} [-1, +1]$$

- f_{ai} can then be written as a function of f_{ai}^{WW} via R_{ai}
- Two scenarios for combination: **arbitrary relationship between a_1 for W and Z or **custodial symmetry****



H \rightarrow WW and H \rightarrow ZZ combination

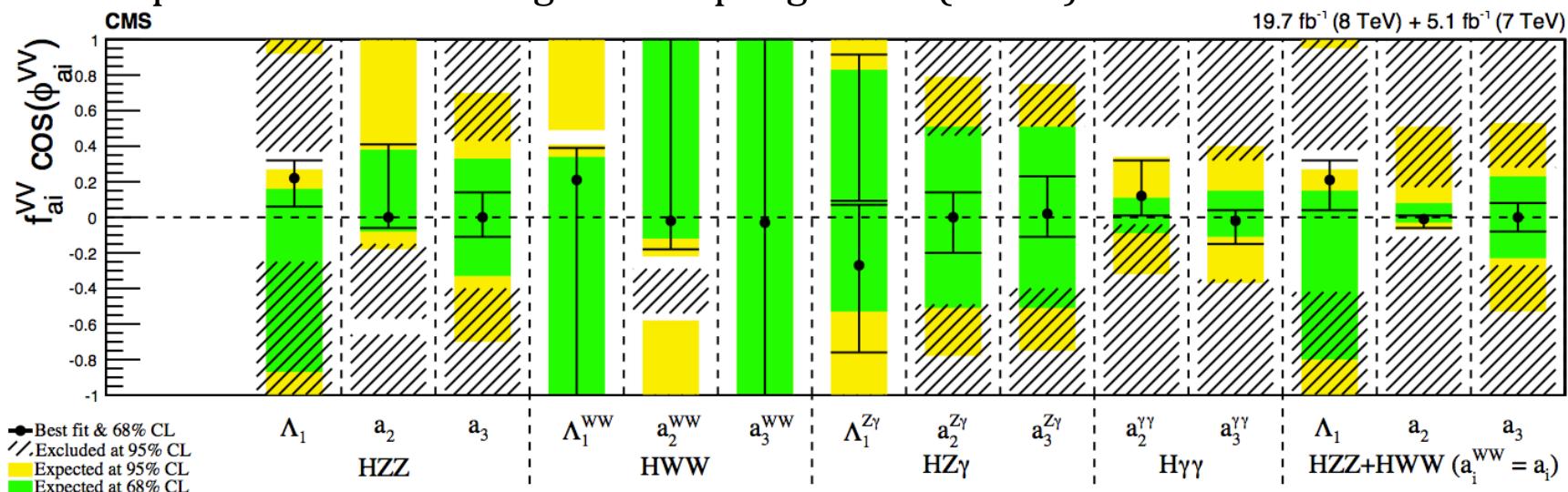
- We pick $R_{a2}=0.5$ ($r_{a2}=1$) for illustration purposes



- Not assuming custodial symmetry the combination is close to the sum of the two individual curves
- In the custodial symmetry scenario a greater exclusion is achieved because the yields are related

Summary of anomalous couplings

- Allowed confidence level intervals for anomalous coupling parameters assuming real coupling ratios (π or 0)



Parameter	Observed	Expected
$(\Lambda_1 \sqrt{ a_1 }) \cos(\phi_{\Lambda_1})$	$[-\infty, -100 \text{ GeV}] \cup [103 \text{ GeV}, \infty]$	$[-\infty, 43 \text{ GeV}] \cup [116 \text{ GeV}, \infty]$
a_2/a_1	$[-0.58, 0.76]$	$[-0.45, 1.67]$
a_3/a_1	$[-1.54, 1.57]$	$[-2.65, 2.65]$

- Assuming custodial symmetry: **pure 0_h^+ (related to f_{a_2}) excluded at 99.93% CL and pure 0^- (related to f_{a_3}) excluded at 99.99% CL**

Spin-0: ATLAS

- Equivalent approach → **Spin-0 Lagrangian** can be written with a slightly different parametrization as :

$$\mathcal{L}_0^V = \left\{ c_\alpha \kappa_{\text{SM}} \left[\frac{1}{2} g_{HZZ} Z_\mu Z^\mu + g_{HWW} W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} \right] \right. \dots \rightarrow \text{SM}$$

BSM CP-even <-----|-----> **BSM CP-odd**

$$\left. - \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{\Lambda} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{HZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AZZ} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}^{\mu\nu} \right] - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\Lambda} \left[c_\alpha \kappa_{HWW} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu} + s_\alpha \kappa_{AWW} W_{\mu\nu}^+ \tilde{W}^{-\mu\nu} \right] \right\} X_0$$

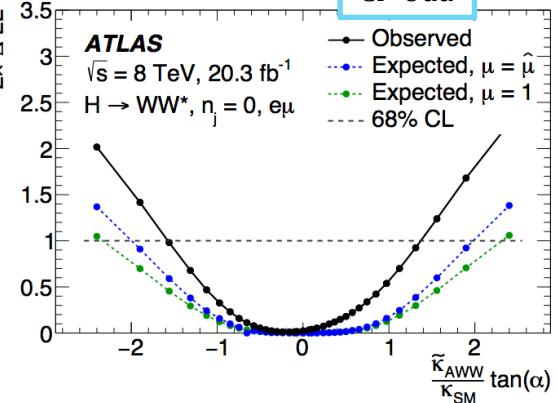
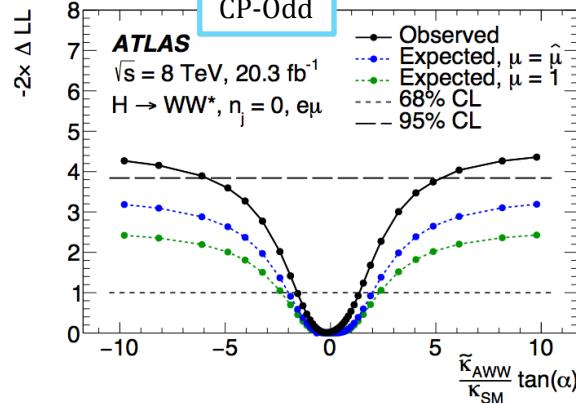
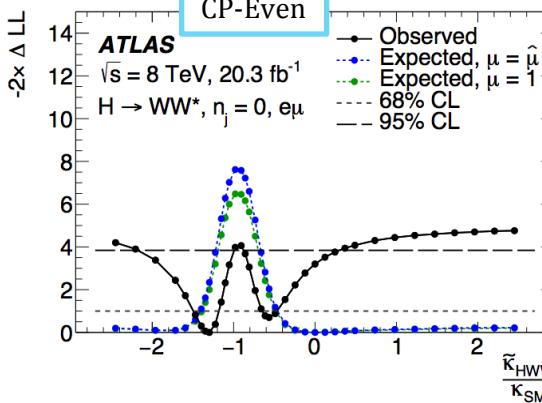
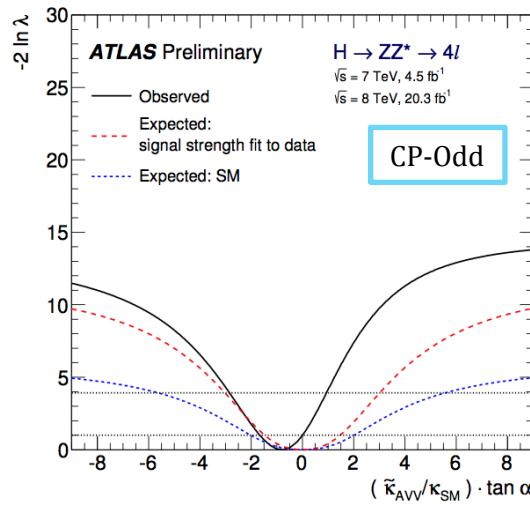
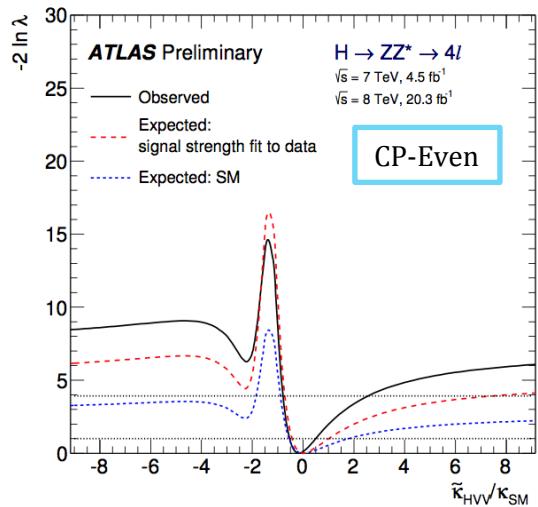
- Here, the **coupling constants** κ_{SM} , κ_{HVV} , κ_{AVV} and the **mixing angle** α determine the J^P status of the Higgs:

J^P	Model	Choice of tensor couplings			
		κ_{SM}	κ_{HVV}	κ_{AVV}	α
0^+	Standard Model Higgs boson	1	0	0	0
0_h^+	BSM spin-0 CP-even	0	1	0	0
0^-	BSM spin-0 CP-odd	0	0	1	$\pi/2$

- The measurement is done by fitting **coupling ratios** to the discriminant observables for $H \rightarrow WW$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ$ processes and their combination, assuming one BSM coupling at the time

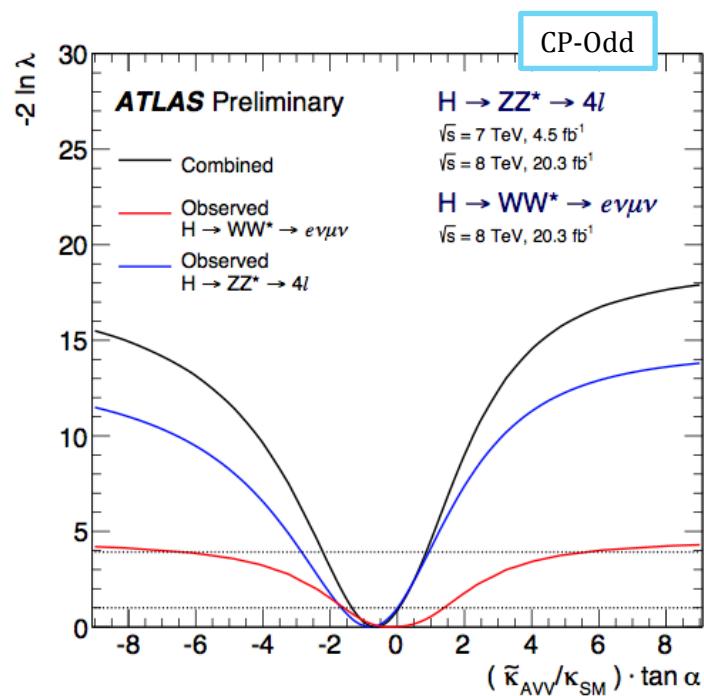
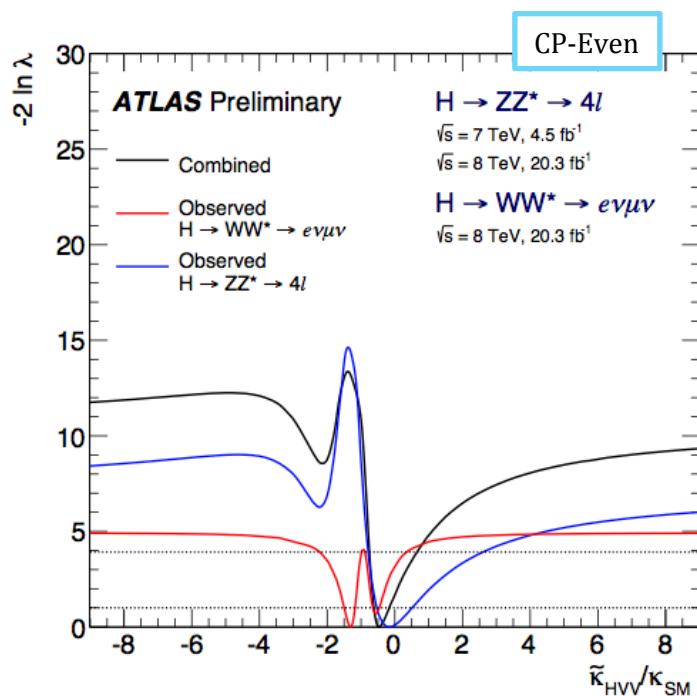
Coupling ratios

Coupling ratio	Best fit value		95% CL Exclusion Regions	
	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed
$\tilde{\kappa}_{HVV}/\kappa_{SM}$	0.0	-0.2	$(-\infty, -0.75] \cup [6.95, \infty)$	$(-\infty, -0.75] \cup [2.45, \infty)$
$(\tilde{\kappa}_{AVV}/\kappa_{SM}) \cdot \tan \alpha$	0.0	-0.8	$(-\infty, -2.95] \cup [2.95, \infty)$	$(-\infty, -2.85] \cup [0.95, \infty)$



Coupling ratios: Combination

Coupling ratio	Best fit value		95% CL Exclusion Regions	
	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed
$\tilde{\kappa}_{HVV}/\kappa_{SM}$	0.0	-0.48	$(-\infty, -0.55] \cup [4.80, \infty)$	$(-\infty, -0.73] \cup [0.63, \infty)$
$(\tilde{\kappa}_{AVV}/\kappa_{SM}) \cdot \tan \alpha$	0.0	-0.68	$(-\infty, -2.33] \cup [2.30, \infty)$	$(-\infty, -2.18] \cup [0.83, \infty)$



Effective cross sections

- ATLAS also provides the results in terms of effective cross section fractions in the same way as CMS, using the equivalent f_{gi} parameters:

$$f_{gi} = \frac{|g_i|^2 \sigma_i}{|g_1|^2 \sigma_1 + |g_2|^2 \sigma_2 + |g_4|^2 \sigma_4}, \quad \phi_i = \arg\left(\frac{g_i}{g_1}\right) \quad f_{gi} = \frac{r_{i1}^2}{1 + r_{i1}^2}; \quad (i = 2, 4)$$

- The coupling ratios relate to the effective cross section fractions as

$$r_{21}^2 = \frac{\sigma_{HVV}}{\sigma_{SM}} \left(\frac{\tilde{k}_{HVV}}{k_{SM}} \right)^2, \quad \text{and} \quad r_{41}^2 = \frac{\sigma_{AVV}}{\sigma_{SM}} \left(\frac{\tilde{k}_{AVV}}{k_{SM}} \right)^2 \tan^2 \alpha$$

Observed 95% CL limits			
$H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$			
$f_{g2} < 0.053$ for $\phi_{g2} = 0$	and	$f_{g2} < 0.20$; $0.26 < f_{g2} < 0.63$ for $\phi_{g2} = \pi$	
$f_{g4} < 0.78$ for $\phi_{g4} = 0$	and	$f_{g4} < 0.84$ for $\phi_{g4} = \pi$	
$H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$			
$f_{g2} < 0.68$ for $\phi_{g2} = 0$	and	$f_{g2} < 0.16$ for $\phi_{g2} = \pi$	
$f_{g4} < 0.11$ for $\phi_{g4} = 0$	and	$f_{g4} < 0.54$ for $\phi_{g4} = \pi$	
Combination of $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ and $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$			
$f_{g2} < 0.12$ for $\phi_{g2} = 0$	and	$f_{g2} < 0.16$ for $\phi_{g2} = \pi$	
$f_{g4} < 0.090$ for $\phi_{g4} = 0$	and	$f_{g4} < 0.41$ for $\phi_{g4} = \pi$	

$$\mathbf{f}_{g2} = \mathbf{f}_{a2}, \mathbf{f}_{g4} = \mathbf{f}_{a3}$$

Parameter	CMS	ATLAS
H\rightarrowZZ		
$f_{a2} = f_{g2}$	[-0.66, -0.57] U [0.15, 1.00]	[-0.16, 0.68]
$f_{a3} = f_{g4}$	[-0.40, 0.43]	[-0.54, 0.11]
$f_{\Lambda 1}$	[-0.25, 0.37]	
H\rightarrowWW		
$f_{a2}^{WW} = f_{g2}^{WW}$	[-1.00, -0.54] U [-0.29, 1.00]	[-0.63, -0.26] U [-0.20, 0.053]
$f_{a3}^{WW} = f_{g4}^{WW}$	[-1.00, 1.00]	[-0.84, 0.78]
$f_{\Lambda 1}^{WW}$	[-1.00, 1.00]	
H\rightarrowZZ and H\rightarrowWW Combination ($a_i^{ZZ}=a_i^{WW}$)		
$f_{a2} = f_{g2}$	[-0.11, 0.17]	[-0.16, 0.12]
$f_{a3} = f_{g4}$	[-0.27, 0.28]	[-0.41, 0.090]
$f_{\Lambda 1}$	[-0.42, 0.38]	
H\rightarrowZ$\gamma^* \rightarrow$4l		
$f_{a2}^{Z\gamma} = f_{g2}^{Z\gamma}$	[-0.49, 0.46]	
$f_{a3}^{Z\gamma} = f_{g4}^{Z\gamma}$	[-0.40, 0.51]	
$f_{\Lambda 1}^{Z\gamma}$	[-1.00, 1.00]	
H$\rightarrow$$\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow$4l		
$f_{a2}^{\gamma\gamma} = f_{g2}^{\gamma\gamma}$	[-0.04, 0.51]	
$f_{a3}^{\gamma\gamma} = f_{g4}^{\gamma\gamma}$	[-0.35, 0.32]	

Summary

- Study of the **spin, parity, and anomalous HVV couplings of the Higgs boson** by ATLAS and CMS using the full **LHC Run-1** dataset
 - $H \rightarrow ZZ$, $H \rightarrow WW$, and $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decays
 - Based on kinematic variables
- Exotic scenarios with spin-1 and -2 have been ruled out at 99%CL or higher → **The Higgs boson has spin 0**
- Pure pseudoscalar 0^- and pure 0^+_h have also been ruled out
 - The Higgs still can be in a **mixed CP** state → anomalous contributions
- Tensor structure of the HVV interactions studied under the spin-0 assumption
 - Via parameter measurement → coupling ratios and effective cross sections

No signs of deviations from the SM with the data available
The Higgs boson is compatible with the SM hypotheses $J^{CP} = 0^{++}$
If it is exactly the SM Higgs, only Run-2 data will tell!