

# Open Questions in the Higgs Sector

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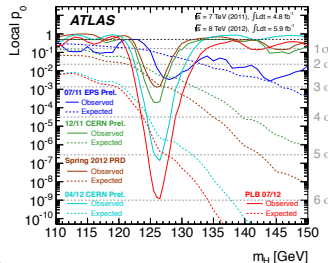
ATLAS-D, 9/2012

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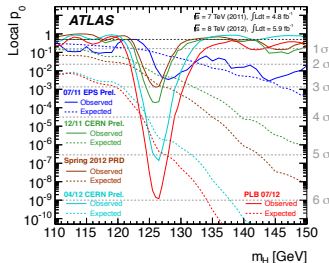
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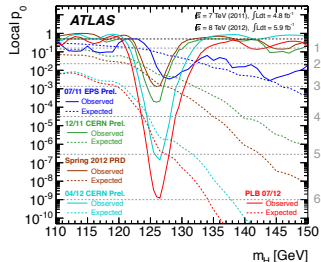
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  - alternatively: can we help?

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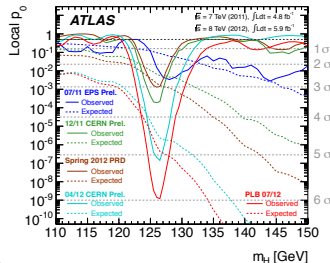
## Two

- 2– **What are the quantum numbers?**
- psychologically: looked for Higgs, so found a Higgs
  - CP-even spin-0 scalar expected
  - spin-1 vector unlikely
  - spin-2 graviton unexpected
  - strictly speaking: operators in Lagrangian

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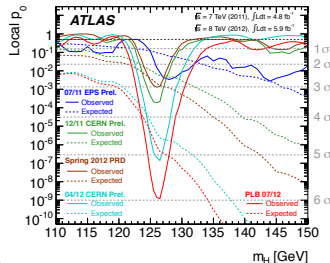
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- 3– What are the coupling values?
- after fixing operator basis
  - Standard Model Higgs?
  - anomalous/effective couplings?

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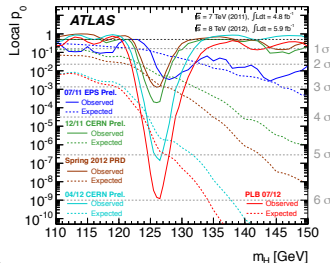
## Four

- 4– What can we expect in the future?
- WBF analyses essentially missing
  - $VH$  and  $t\bar{t}H$  missing
  - self coupling not accessible?

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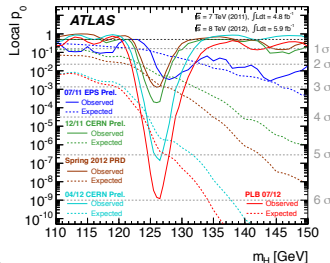
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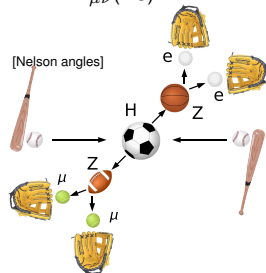
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- employ dimensional analysis
- re-write in terms of coupling strengths

$$g_{HZZ}^{D4} \leftrightarrow g_{HZZ}^{D6} \leftrightarrow g_{H\gamma\gamma}^{D6} \leftrightarrow g_{HZ\gamma}^{D6}$$

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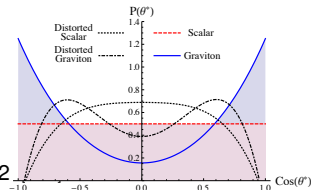
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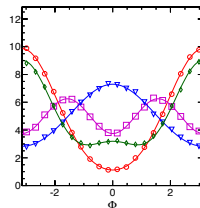
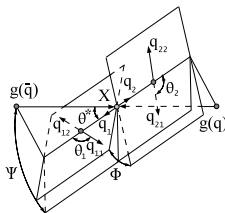
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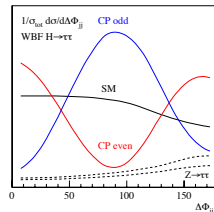
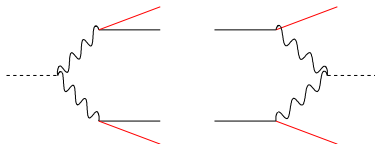
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⇒ **curious which channel works first**



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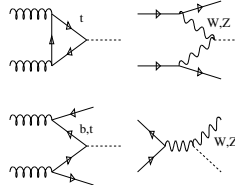
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## Why 126 GeV is perfect [Zeppenfeld et al; Dührssen et al; SFitter 2009/2012; Contino et al]

- measurements:  $GF : H \rightarrow ZZ, WW, \gamma\gamma$  [2011]  
 $WBF : H \rightarrow ZZ, WW, \gamma\gamma, \tau\tau$  [2012]  
 $VH : H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  [2015: BDRS?]  
 $t\bar{t}H : H \rightarrow b\bar{b}...$  [2015: boosted?]
- parameters:  $g_{HXX}$  with  $X = W, Z, t, b, \tau, g, \gamma$  [plus Higgs mass]
- correlations:  $N_{\text{ev}} \propto \frac{g_p^2 g_d^2}{\Gamma_{\text{tot}}(g_X^2)}$

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## SFitter ansatz [(Dührssen), Klute, Lafaye, TP, Rauch, Zerwas]

- experimental/theory errors on signal and backgrounds [RFit]  
ATLAS and CMS both included  
total width from observed partial widths
  - starting point: exclusive likelihood map  
individual coupling: profile likelihood  
best fit: Minuit  
errors: toy measurements
- ⇒ global and local analysis possible

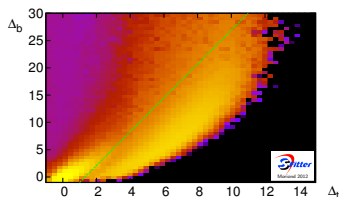
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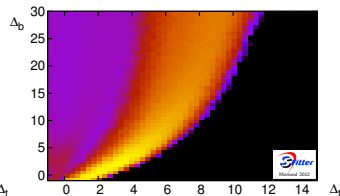
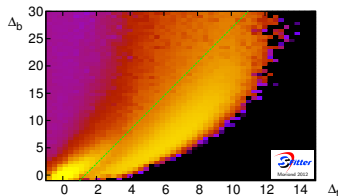
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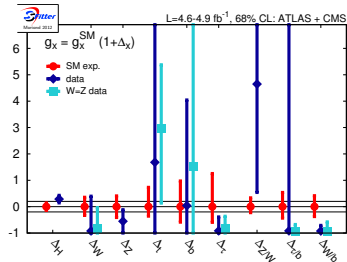
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- focus on SM solution where possible
- five couplings from data
  - $g_W \sim 0$  while  $g_Z$  okay
  - $g_b$  and  $g_t$  hurt by secondary solution
  - $g_\tau$  inconclusive in data
- poor man's analysis great:  $\Delta_j \equiv \Delta_H$

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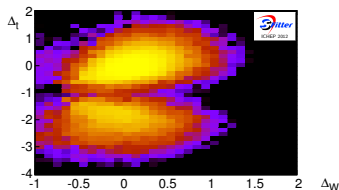
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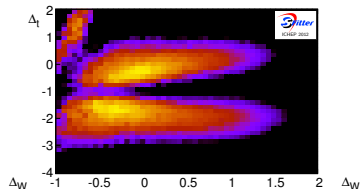
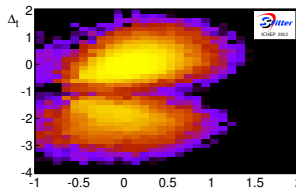
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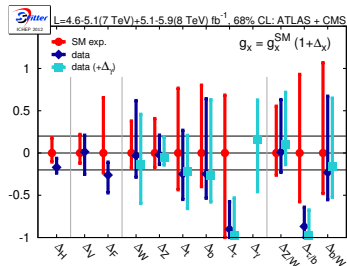
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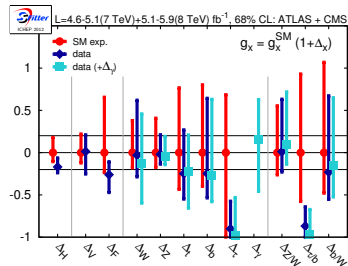
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Standard Model	43.3/54	1 2 3 2
form factor $\Delta_H$	32.2/53	
two-parameter $\Delta_{V,f}$	29.0/52	
independent $\Delta_x$	27.7/49	
including $\Delta_\gamma$	27.3/48	

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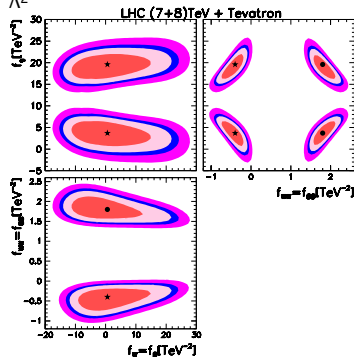
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- assume  $f_W = f_B$  [otherwise no convergence]  
fit  $f_{gg}, f_{WW}, f_{BB}$   
observe usual sign-flip degeneracy  
compare to  $\Delta\kappa$  and  $\Lambda$  in  $g_{WWV}$



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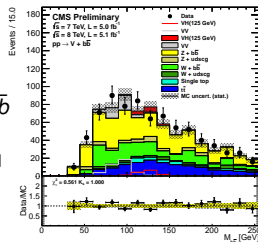
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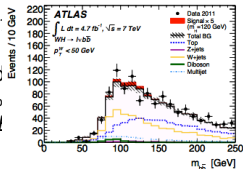
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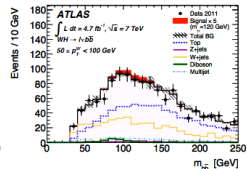
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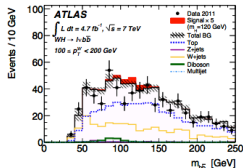
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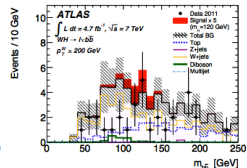
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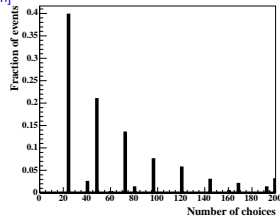


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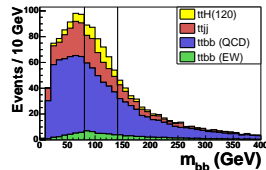
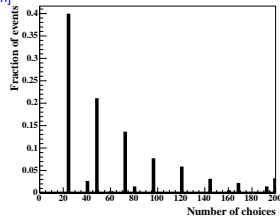
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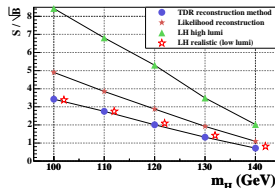
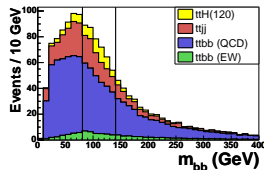
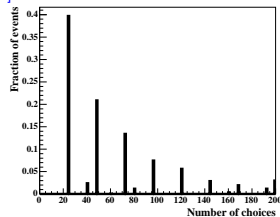
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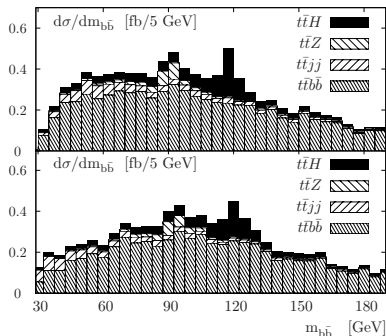
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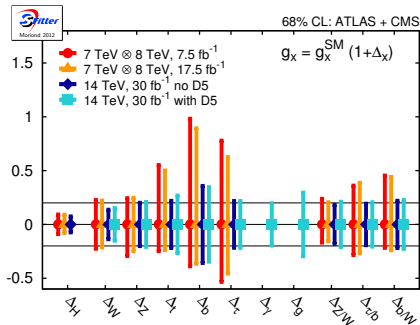
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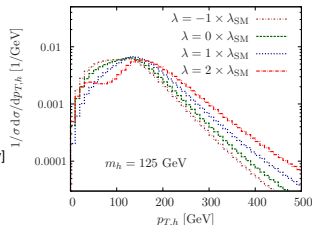
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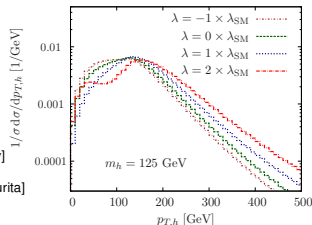
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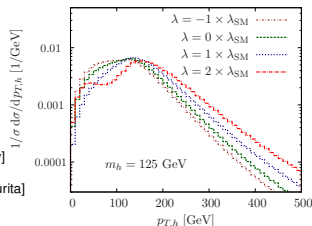
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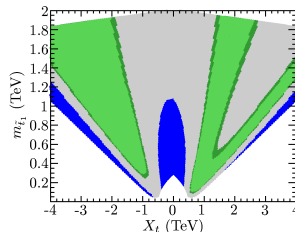
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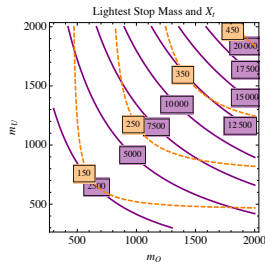
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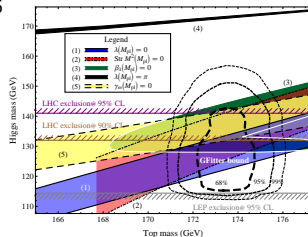
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- IR fixed point for  $\lambda/\lambda_t^2$  fixing  $m_H^2/m_t^2$  [with gravity: Shaposhnikov, Wetterich]

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