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# Can we really "Re"-interpret data from the LHC?

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Software & Computing Round Table (2021)

Analysis II: Reproducibility

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# Short answer ...

**Yes!** We even have a forum dedicated to doing just that ...

TWiki >  LHCPhysics Web > LHCPhysics > InterpretingLHCresults (2019-10-26, SabineKraml)  Edit  Attach  PDF

## Forum on the Interpretation of the LHC Results for BSM studies

The quest for new physics beyond the Standard Model is arguably the driving topic for Run 2 of the LHC. Indeed, the LHC collaborations are pursuing searches for new physics in a vast variety of channels. While the collaborations typically provide themselves interpretations of their results, for instance in terms of simplified models, **the full understanding of the implications of these searches requires the interpretation of the experimental results in the context of all kinds of theoretical models.** This is a very active field, with close theory-experiment interaction and with several public tools being developed.

With this forum, we want to provide a platform for continued discussion of topics related to the BSM (re)interpretation of LHC data, including the development of the necessary **public [RecastingTools](#)** and related infrastructure.

If you have questions or want to contribute, contact Sabine Kraml, [sabine.kraml@gmail.com](mailto:sabine.kraml@gmail.com), or any of the topical contacts given below.

**Current Members** → ~ 100 participants from pheno & experimental communities

Starting point : <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/InterpretingLHCresults>

Join the mailing list : [info-LHC-interpretation@cern.ch](mailto:info-LHC-interpretation@cern.ch)

~ Regular workshops – latest 15<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021 : <https://indico.cern.ch/event/982553/>

- Dedicated sessions on LLP searches, EFT (re)interpretations & non-LHC experiments (neutrino, dark matter...)
- Tutorial sessions for public re-interpretation tools (all recorded, have a go yourself!)

# Recommendations for re-interpretations

## Recommendations emphasise:

1. Prompt availability of numerical analysis data in digitised electronic form to enable re-use.
2. More complete publication of full-detail experimental data:
  - correlation information
  - public likelihoods
  - Open Data
  - forensic analysis code preservation
  - ....
3. Community-wide dialogue regarding re-use of unbinned fits and machine-learning algorithms.

*Moreover, theorists should (start) to follow the same reproducibility requirements as we ask them from the experiments.*

“Re-use means a **longer legacy** for analyses, as well as compliance with ever stricter requirements of data-publication and reusability for publicly funded research.”

## Reinterpretation of LHC results for new physics: status and recommendations after run 2

The LHC BSM Reinterpretation Forum

### Abstract

We report on the status of efforts to improve the reinterpretation of searches and measurements at the LHC in terms of models for new physics, in the context of the LHC Reinterpretation Forum. We detail current experimental offerings in direct searches for new particles, measurements, technical implementations and Open Data, and provide a set of recommendations for further improving the presentation of LHC results in order to better enable reinterpretation in the future. We also provide a brief description of existing software reinterpretation frameworks and recent global analyses of new physics that make use of the current data.



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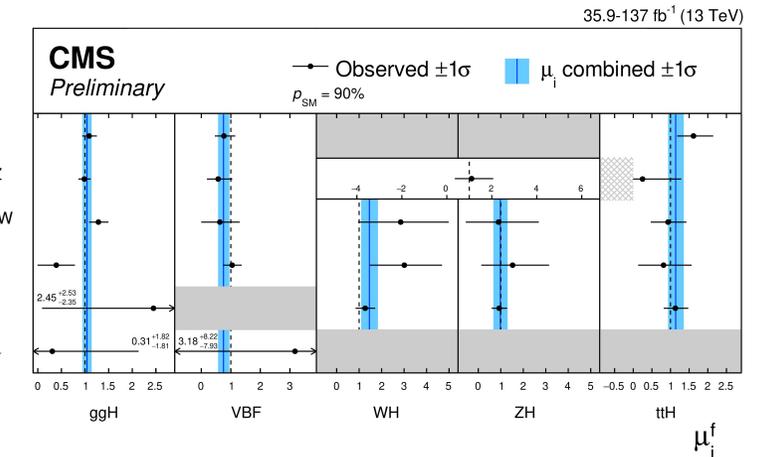
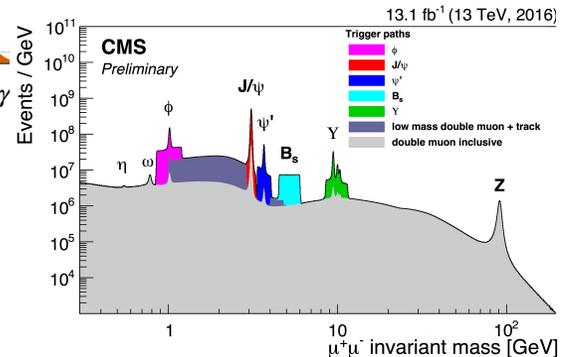
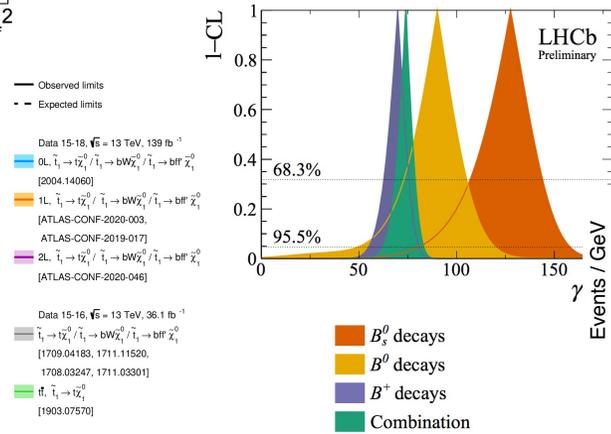
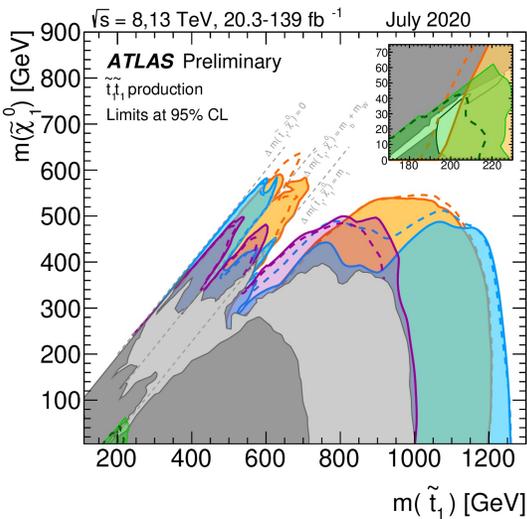
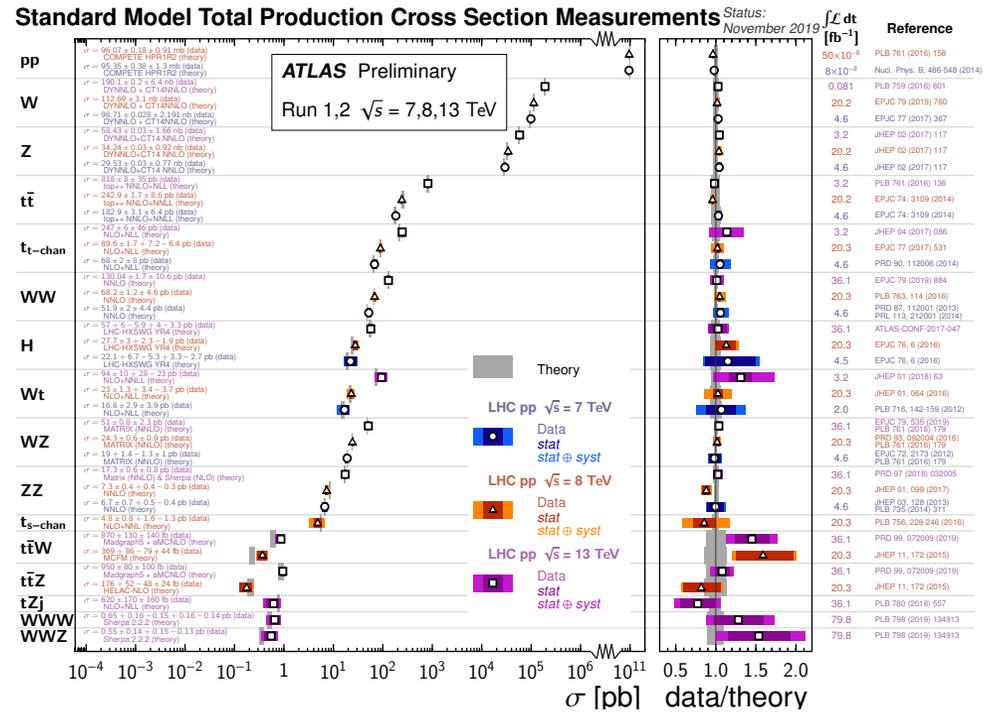
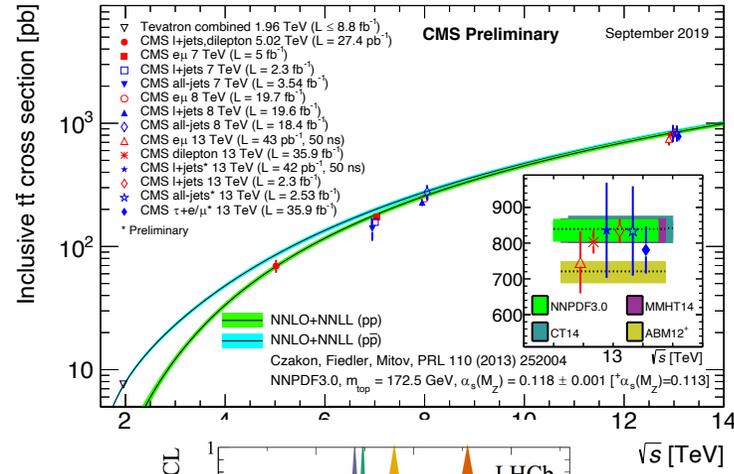
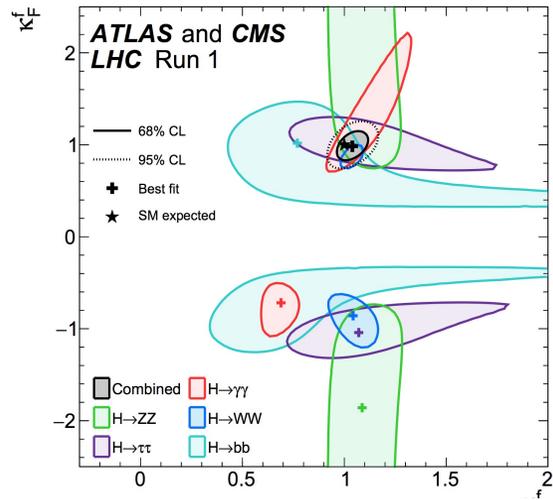
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Check for updates

# Can't spell "re"-interpretation without interpretation

Impossible to summarize the breadth of experimental results (and ways they are presented) in one slide or even one seminar



# Where to find them

HEPData

Search for long-lived charginos based on a disappearing-track signature in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV with the ATLAS detector

The ATLAS collaboration

Aaboud, Morad, Aad, Georges, Abbott, Brad, Abidin, Ovsat, Abeloos, Baptiste, Abidi, Syed Haider, AbouZeid, Ossama, Abraham, Nicola, Abramowicz, Halina, Abreu, Henso

JHEP 1806 (2018) 022, 2018

<https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.78375.v3>

Abstract (data abstract)  
CERN-LHC. This paper presents a search for direct electroweak gaugino or gluino pair production with chargino nearly mass-degenerate with a stable neutralino. It is based on an integrated luminosity of  $36.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV collected by the ATLAS experiment at the LHC. The final state of interest is a disappearing track accompanied by at least one jet with high transverse momentum from initial-state radiation or by four jets from the gluino

Version 3

Version 3 modifications: Fix the acceptance times efficiency table.

Tracklet pT EW VR (fake) [10.17182/hepdata.78375.v3/t1](https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.78375.v3/t1)

Data from the publication's Figure 7a

Pixel-tracklet  $p_T$  spectrum of fake tracklet in electroweak channel in the low-Emiss region.

Tracklet pT EW VR (muon)

Data from the publication's Figure 7a

Pixel-tracklet  $p_T$  spectrum of muon background in electroweak channel in the low-Emiss region.

Tracklet pT EW VR (hadron/electron)

Data from the publication's Figure 7a

Pixel-tracklet  $p_T$  spectrum of

Resources

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observables N

phrases Proton-Proton, Supersymmetry, SUSY

reactions P P -> GAUGINO

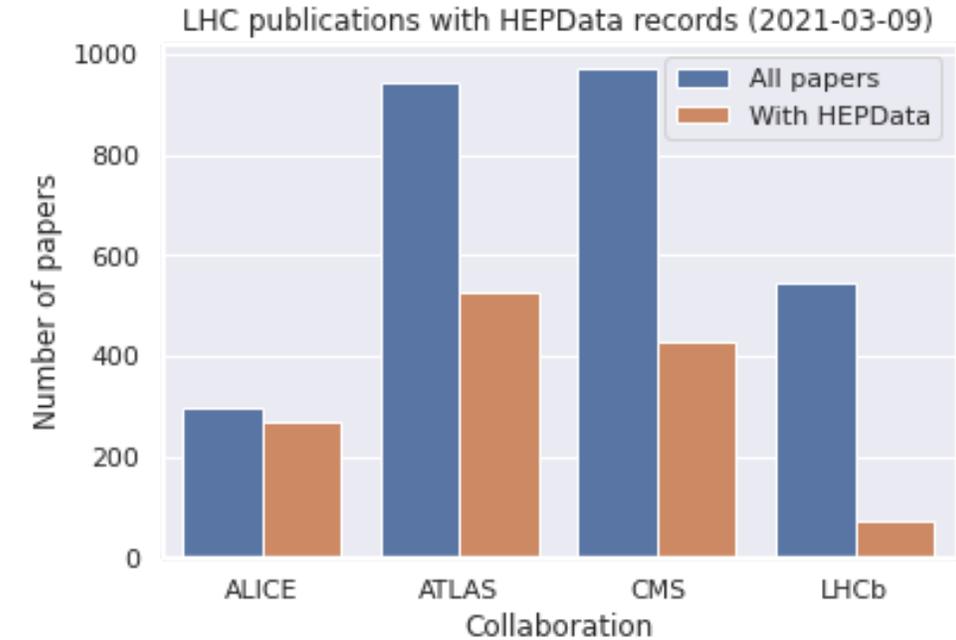
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HEPData

Repository for publication-related High-Energy Physics data



- DOIs minted for whole record and each table via DataCite.

Similar database (HepLike) dedicated for B-physics oriented measurements : <https://github.com/mchrzasz/HEPLike>

See latest statistics here

README.md

miscellaneous

Miscellaneous material not directly related to another HEPData repository

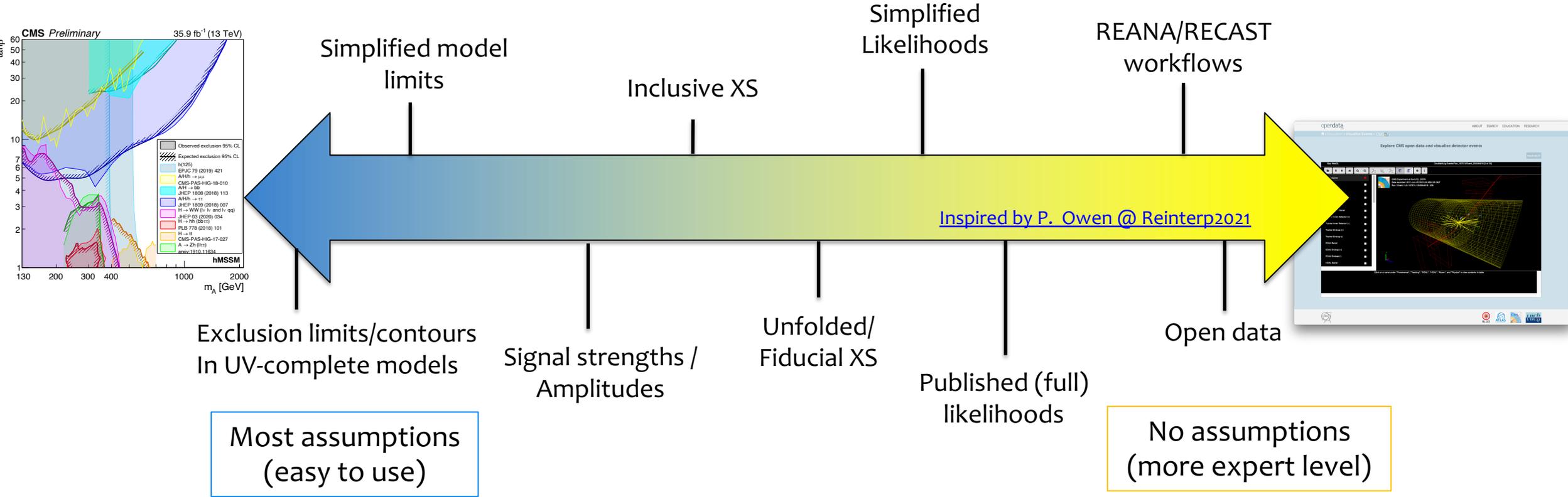
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<https://github.com/HEPData/miscellaneous>

# LHC “data” spectrum

Wide spectrum of how experiments do and can present results → spectrum separated in terms of how easy it is to *re-use* the results provided



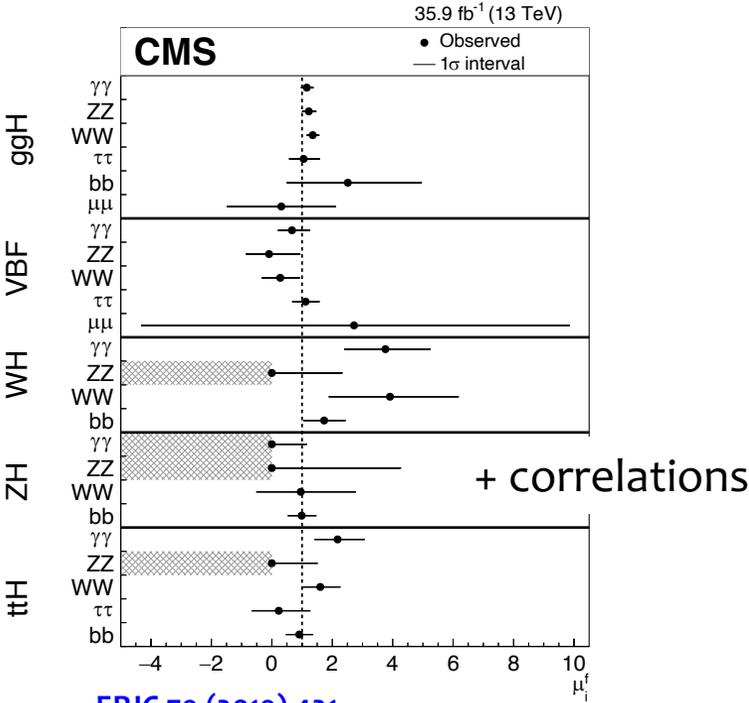
Clearly benefits across the spectrum (we should *add to* not *subtract from* these!)

# Measurements for re-interpretations

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→ **Assume** only total rate of  $ii \rightarrow H \rightarrow ff$  is modified by new physics (ok in certain models)



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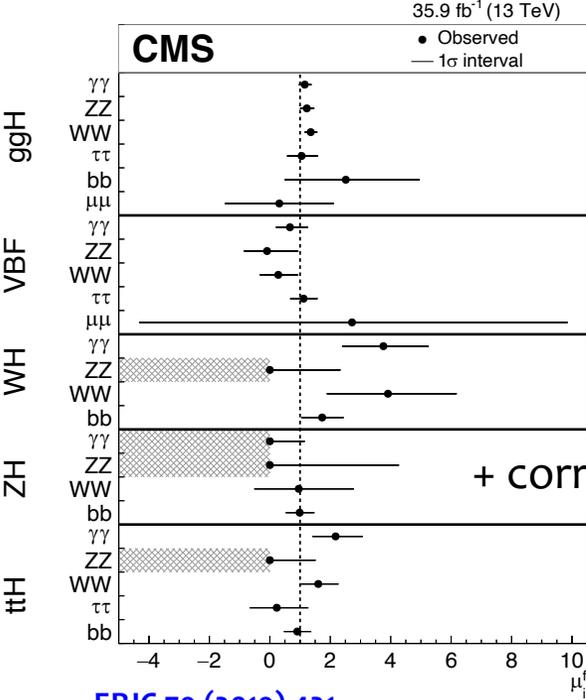
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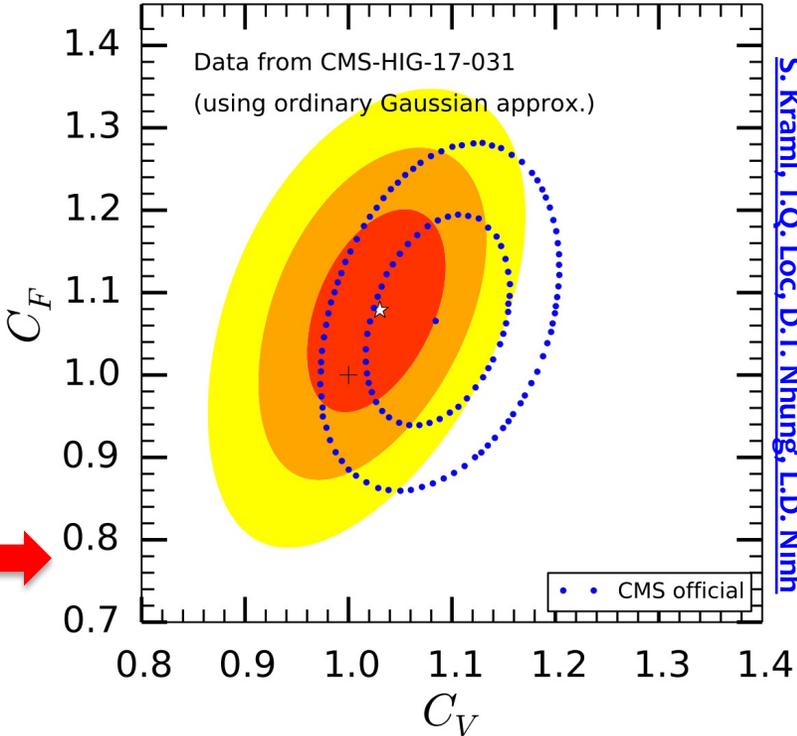
Re-construct profile likelihood

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$$C = \frac{1}{4} [\sigma^+ + \sigma^-] \cdot \rho \cdot [\sigma^+ + \sigma^-]$$

Re-parameterize in terms of coupling modifiers

$$\mu_i, \mu^f \rightarrow \mu_i(C_V, C_F), \mu^f(C_V, C_F)$$



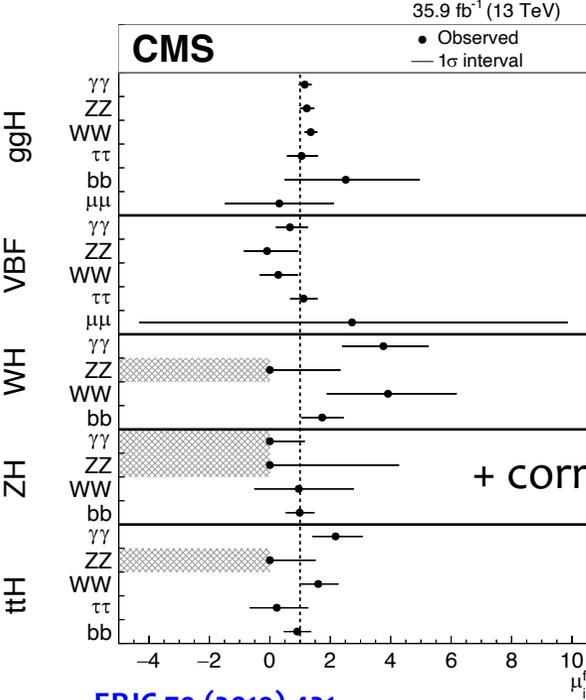
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+ correlations

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Extend Gaussian approximation with “variable Gaussian”

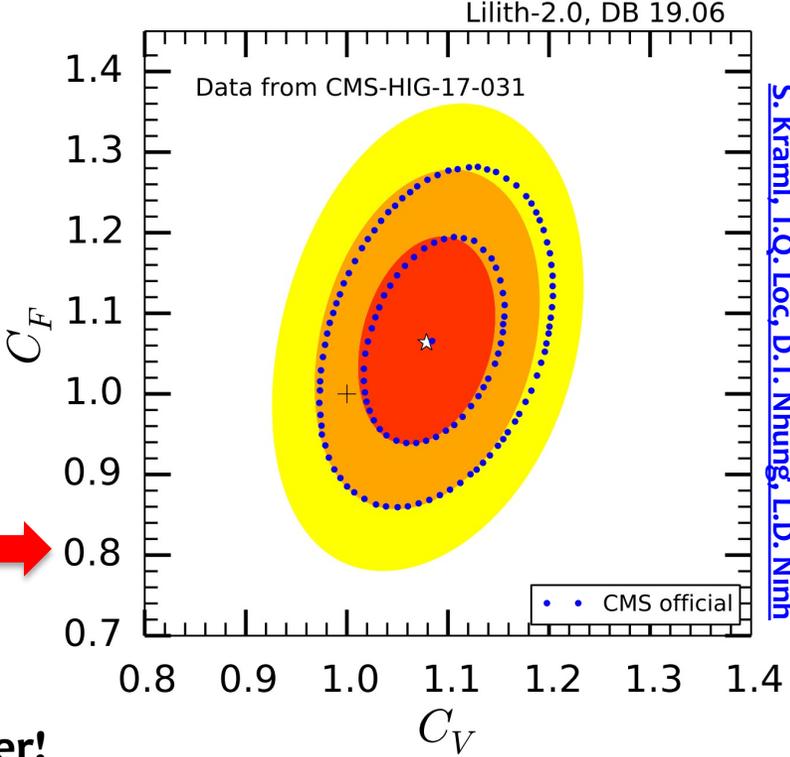
$$C = \Sigma(\mu) \cdot \rho \cdot \Sigma(\mu)$$

$$\Sigma_i = \sqrt{\sigma_i^+ \sigma_i^- + (\sigma_i^+ - \sigma_i^-)(\mu_i - \hat{\mu}_i)}$$

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Non-Gaussian effects matter!



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# Unfolding

“LHC constraints on a  $B - L$  gauge model using CONTUR” [1]

- BSM Model in FeynRules

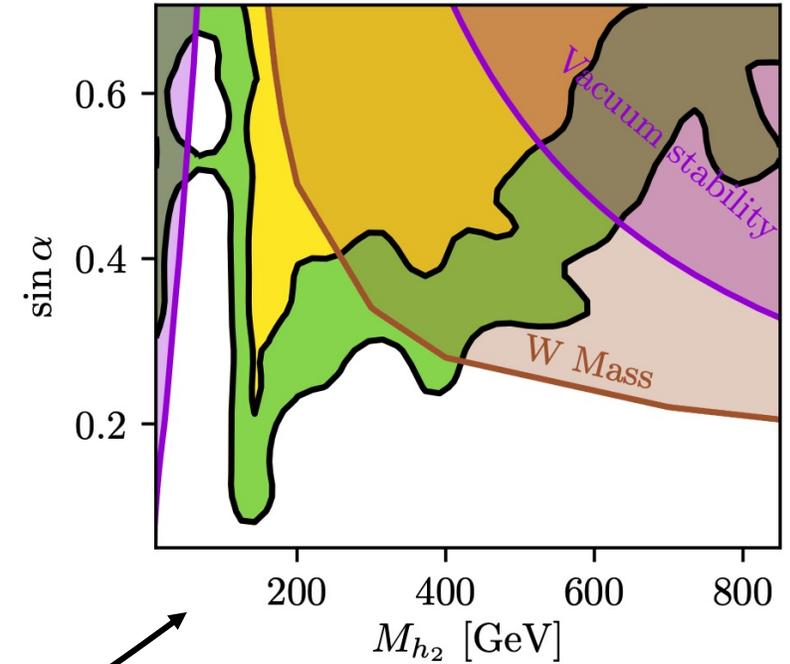
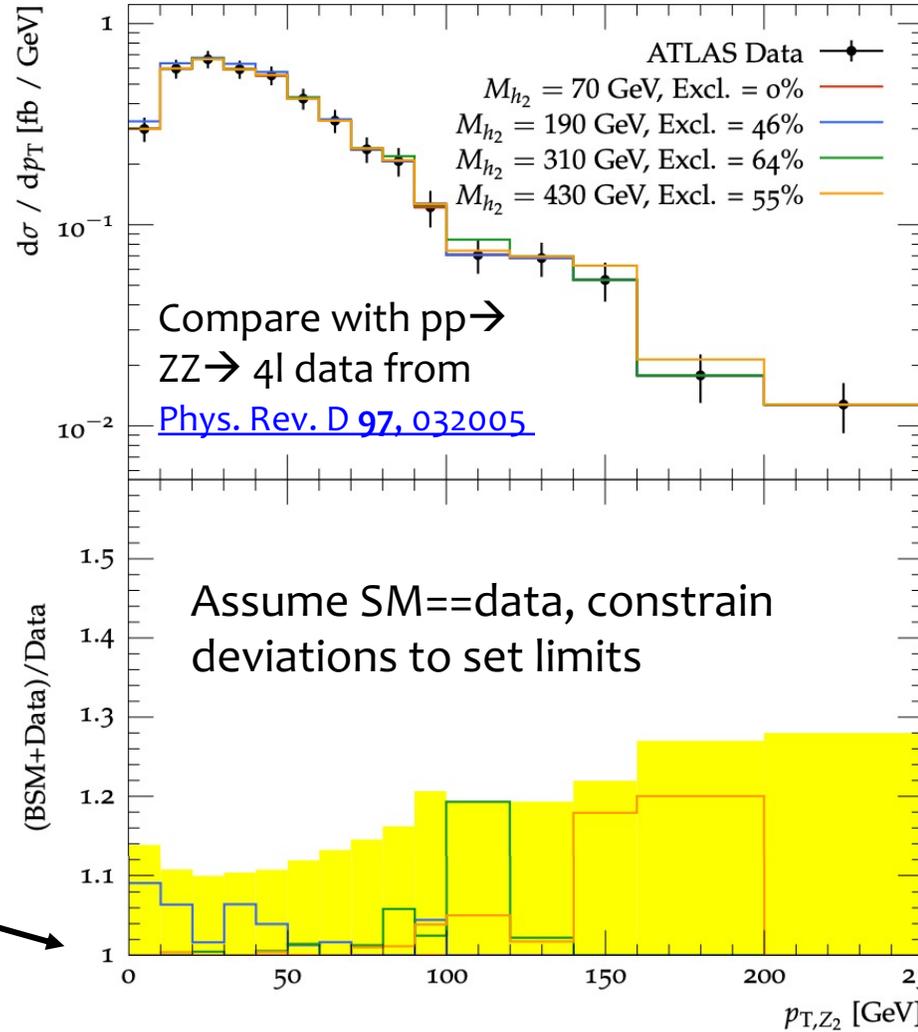
UFO interface

Final State Particles

- New processes in Herwig7



CONTUR



[1] S. Amrith, J. M. Butterworth, F. F. Deppisch, W. Liu, A. Varma, D. Yallup [JHEP 1905 \(2019\) 154](https://arxiv.org/abs/1905.154)

# Unfolding?

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Unfolded measurements popular for interpretations

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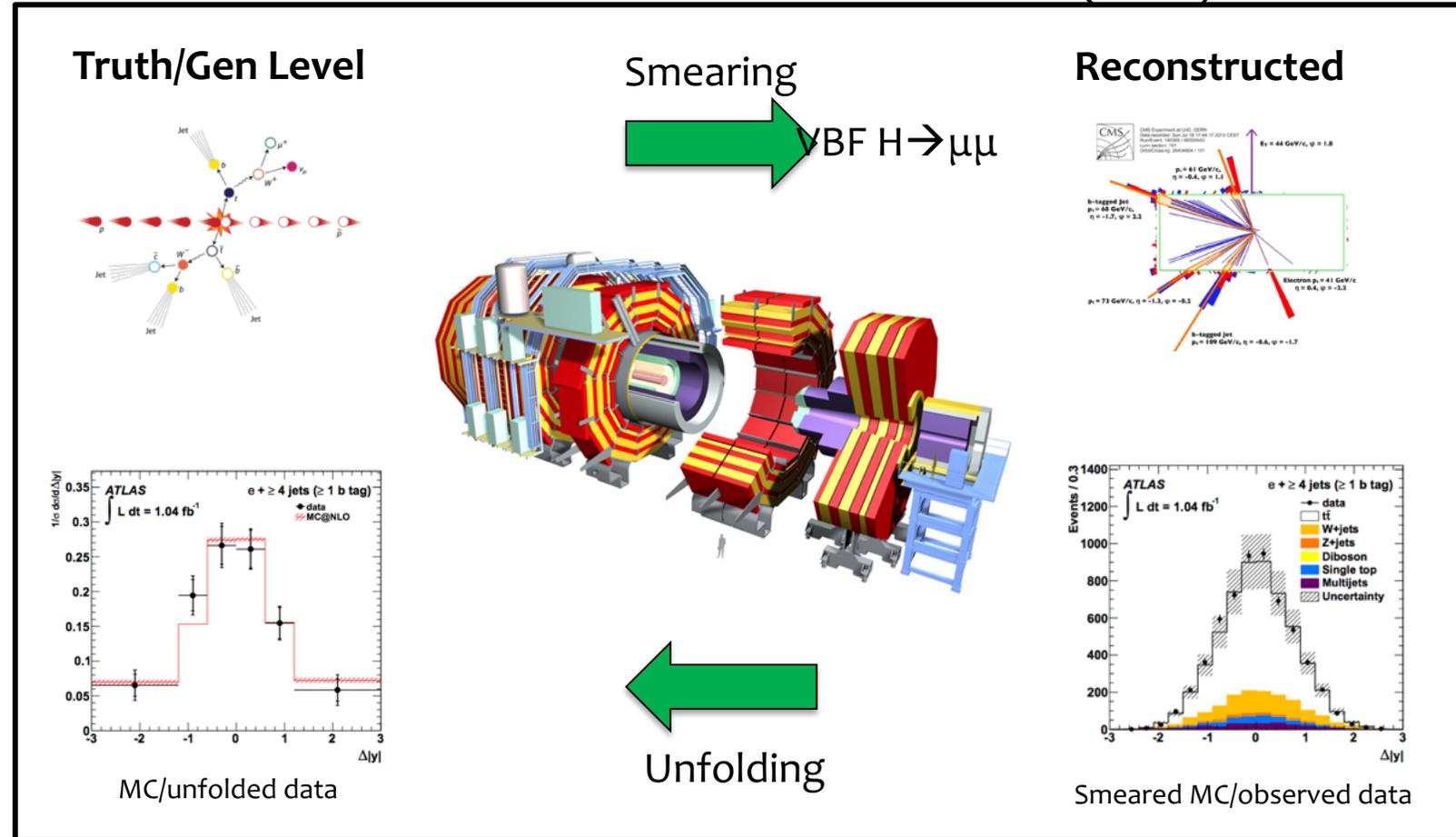
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WH( $\rightarrow$ bb)



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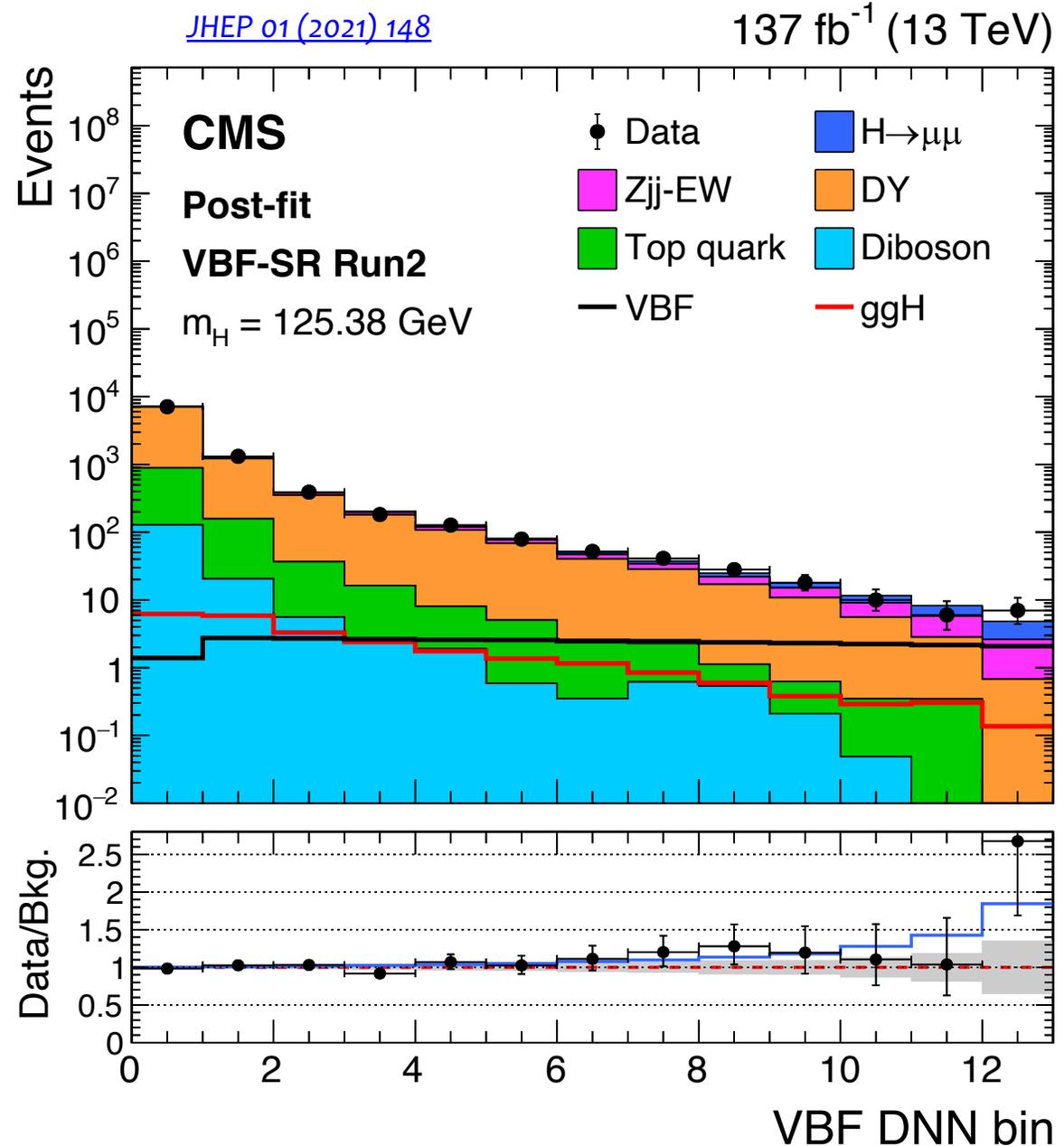
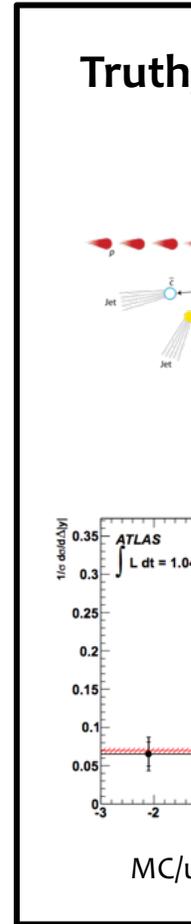
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- Often use ML based quantities to subtract backgrounds/classify signals → how would we unfold these to particle level?



# ~~Unfolding~~

Instead, we can re-interpret in the folded space  
→ ***published likelihoods***

Not really a new idea ...

[Workshop on  
confidence limits \(2000\)](#)

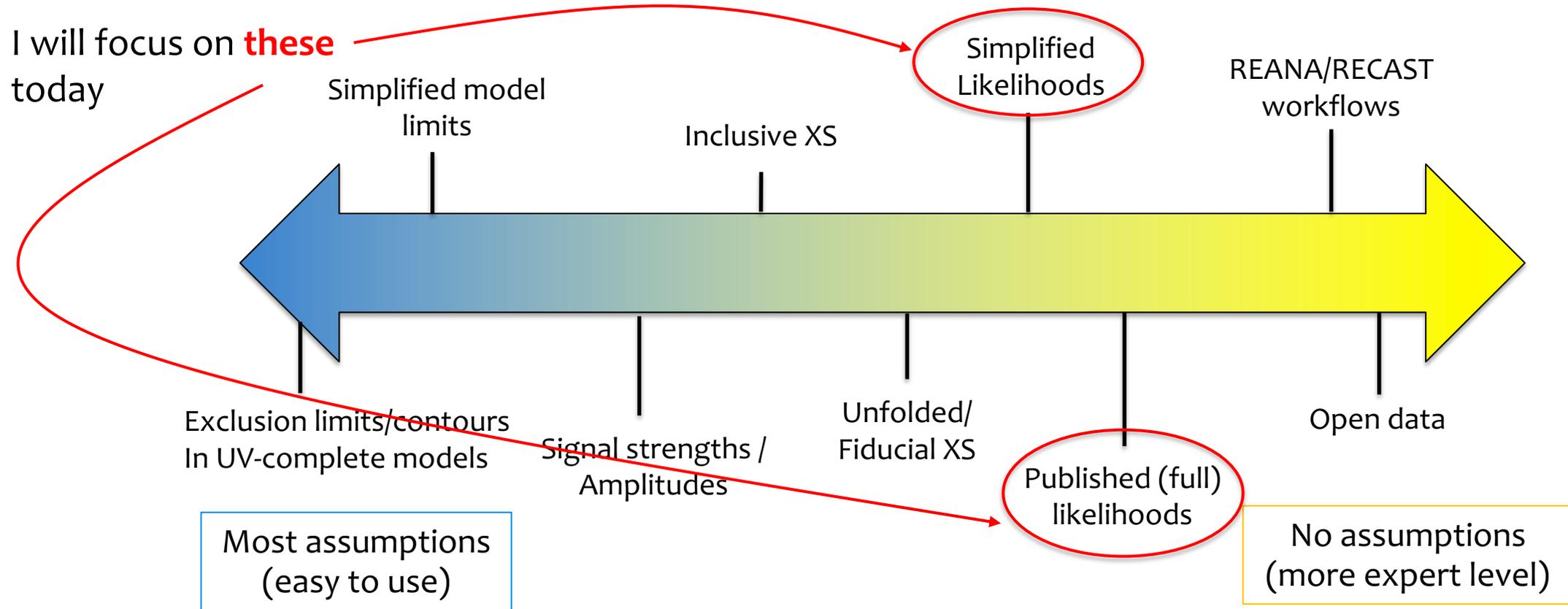
## **Massimo Corradi**

It seems to me that there is a general consensus that what is really meaningful for an experiment is *likelihood*, and almost everybody would agree on the prescription that experiments should give their likelihood function for these kinds of results. Does everybody agree on this statement, to publish likelihoods?

## **Louis Lyons**

Any disagreement ? Carried unanimously. That's actually quite an achievement for this Workshop.

# LHC “data” spectrum



**Caveat:** I mostly work on high-pT experimental LHC physics so examples mostly inspired from ATLAS/CMS results → most of what I say however applies to LHC analyses in general and even beyond in some cases.

# Common choices for searches at the LHC

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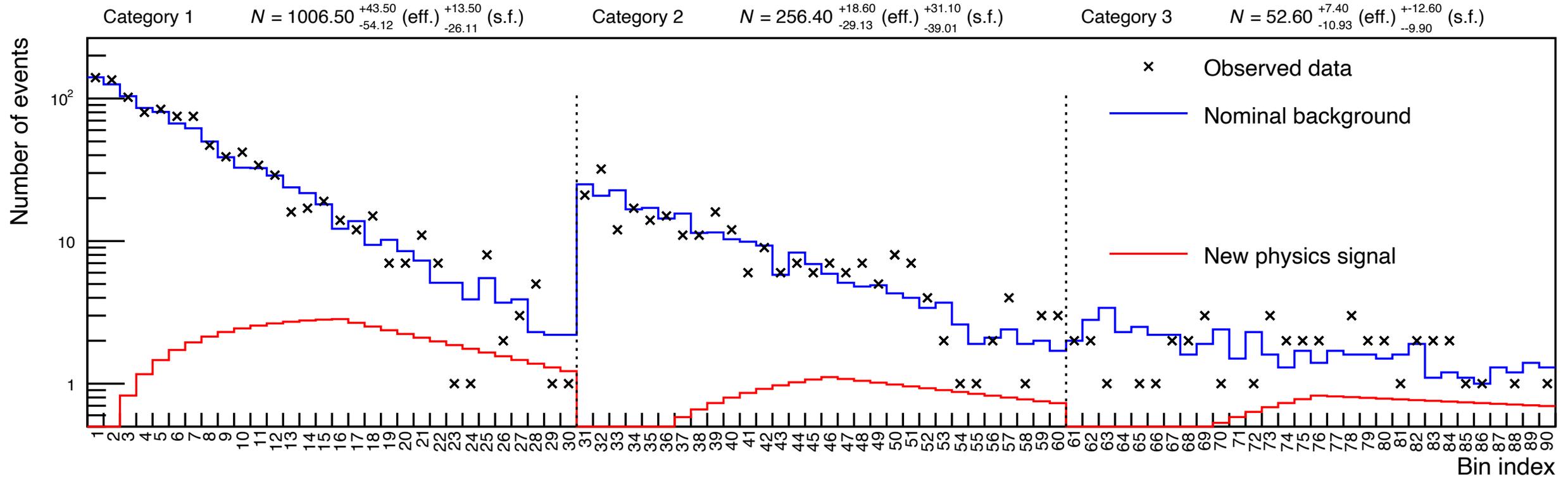
$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\delta})$$

Nuisance parameter priors and/or “in-situ” measurements of  $\boldsymbol{\delta}$

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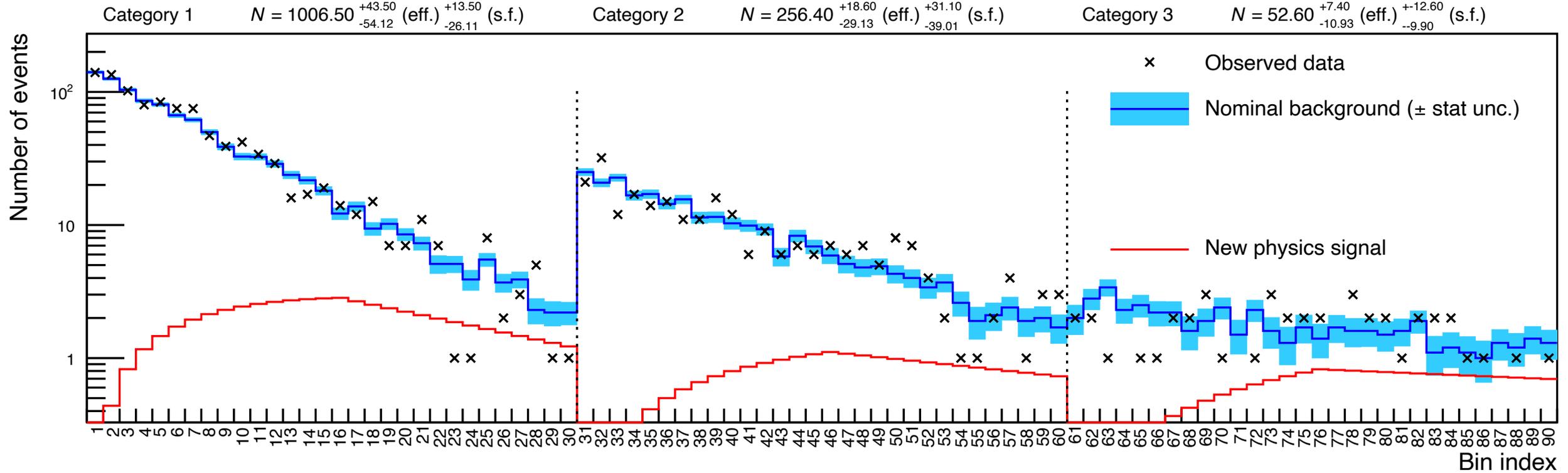
# Toy search for new physics



Imagine a (rather simplified) model inspired by a typical search for some Supersymmetric particle or exotic signature.

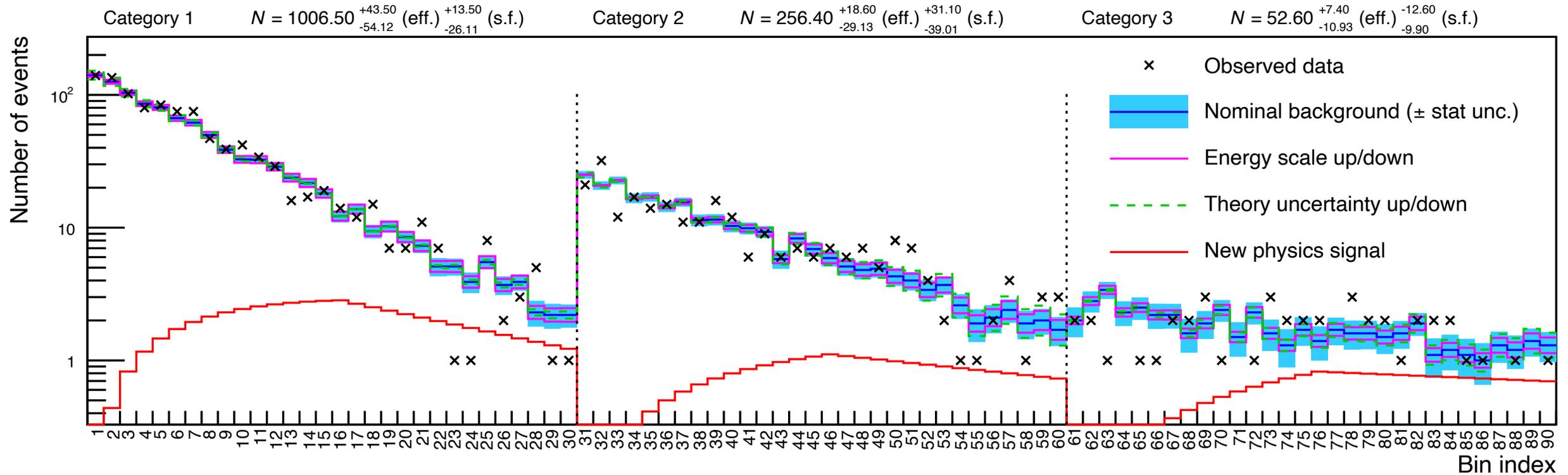
- There is a single source of background (can also think of this as the sum of all backgrounds)
- The data (observations) are divided into regions we have;
  - 3 categories for the data → each category has 30 bins
  - Increasing S/B with bin-number, within each category

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Another **two** uncertainties correlated between bins (“energy scale” and “theory” uncertainty)

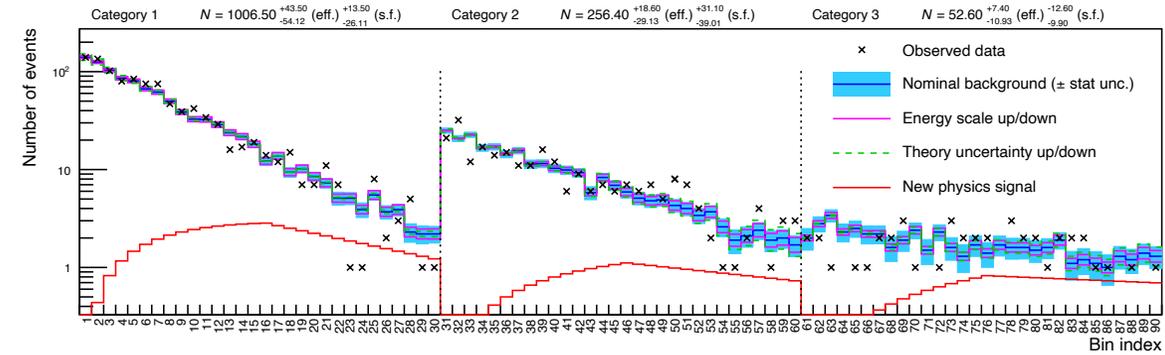
In total this means 94 nuisance parameters

# Toy search for new physics

Think of the expected number of background events in a given bin  $I$ , as the fraction of events in that bin ( $f_I$ ) multiplied by the total number of events ( $N$ )

$\delta$  are nuisance parameters representing **independent** sources of uncertainty (in our case 94 of them)

$$n_I(\delta) \equiv f_I(\delta)N(\delta)$$



$$N(\delta) = N^0 \cdot \prod_j (1 + K_j)^{\delta_j}$$

Uncertainties in the normalisation ( $N$ ) typically follow log-normals

$$\frac{n_I(\delta)}{n_I^0} = \prod_j (1 + \epsilon_{Ij})^{\delta_j}$$

Similarly for un-correlated bin-by-bin uncertainties

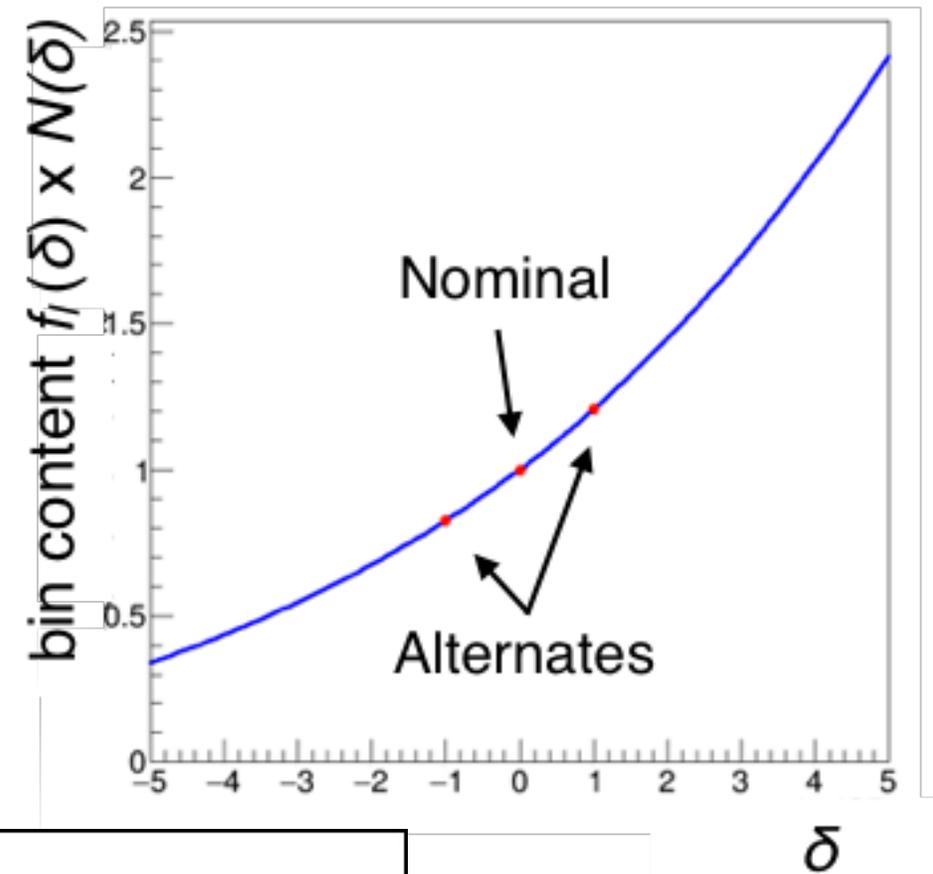
$K_j$  and  $\epsilon_{ij}$  represent the relative size and direction of the uncertainty

# Toy search for new physics

The effects of correlated systematic uncertainties on  $n_i$  are modelled using quadratic(linear) **interpo**(**extrapo**)lation function

$$f_I(\boldsymbol{\delta}) = f_I^0 \cdot \frac{1}{F(\boldsymbol{\delta})} \prod_j p_{Ij}(\delta_j)$$

$$F(\boldsymbol{\delta}) = \sum_I f_I(\boldsymbol{\delta})$$



$$p_{Ij}(\delta_j) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}\delta_j(\delta_j - 1)\kappa_{Ij}^- - (\delta_j - 1)(\delta_j + 1) + \frac{1}{2}\delta_j(\delta_j + 1)\kappa_{Ij}^+ & \text{for } |\delta_j| < 1 \\ \left[ \frac{1}{2}(3\kappa_{Ij}^+ + \kappa_{Ij}^-) - 2 \right] \delta_j - \frac{1}{2}(\kappa_{Ij}^+ + \kappa_{Ij}^-) + 2 & \text{for } \delta_j > 1 \\ \left[ 2 - \frac{1}{2}(3\kappa_{Ij}^- + \kappa_{Ij}^+) \right] \delta_j - \frac{1}{2}(\kappa_{Ij}^+ + \kappa_{Ij}^-) + 2 & \text{for } \delta_j < -1 \end{cases}$$

# Experimental likelihood

Now we can write the likelihood for this search as follows;

$$L(\mu, \boldsymbol{\delta})\pi(\boldsymbol{\delta}) = \prod_{I=1}^{90} P(n_I^{\text{obs}} | \mu \cdot n_{s,I} + n_{b,I}(\boldsymbol{\delta})) \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{94} e^{-\delta_j^2}$$

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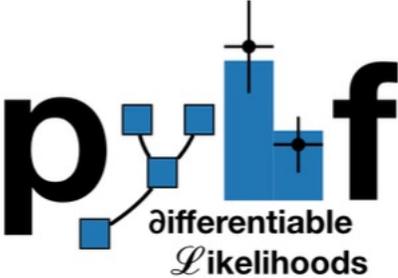
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Specifying these terms with this generic form means the full likelihood can be communicated as plain text!

A lot of physicists' time working on an LHC search is spent on **these!**

# Published likelihoods in the wild!

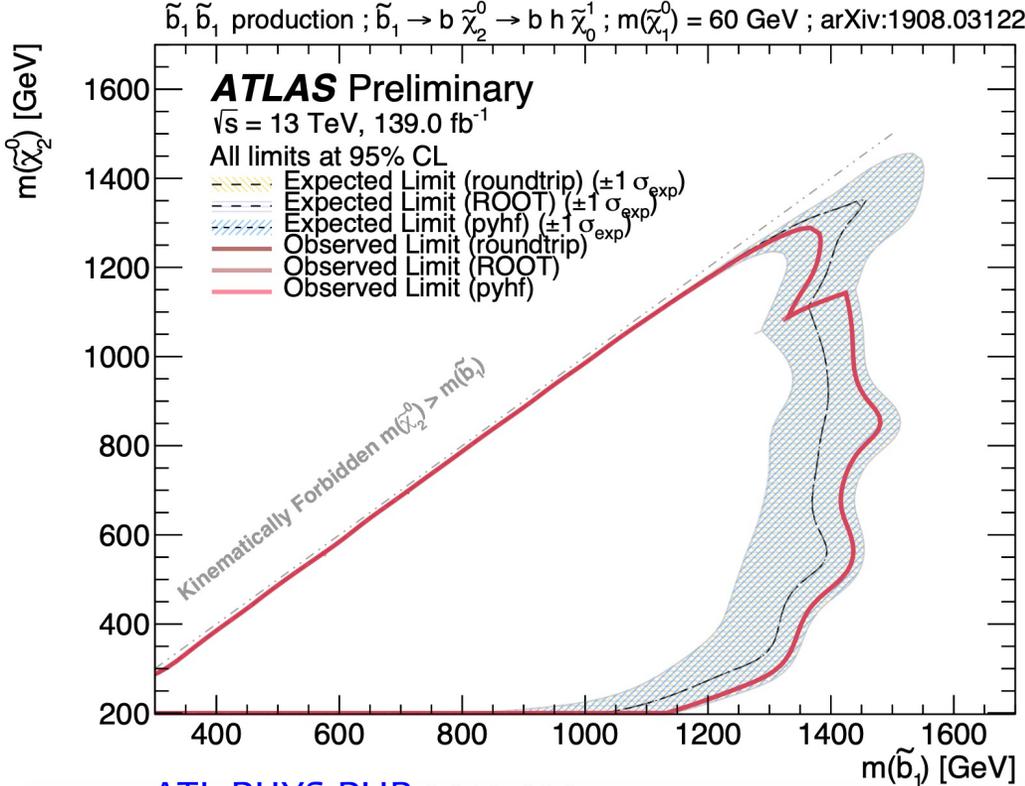
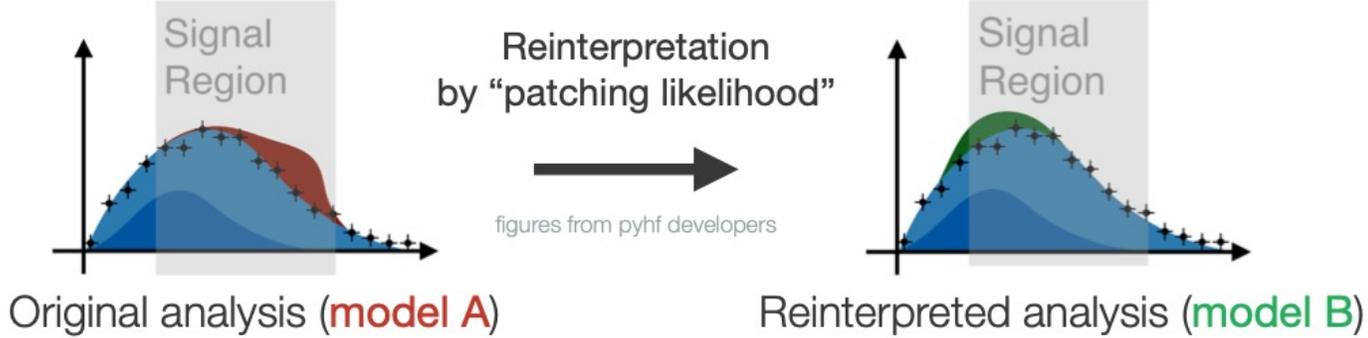
JSON based (ROOT/XML free) encoded workspaces containing **full** likelihood model → Build statistical model + perform inference using [pyHF](#) (developed by L. Heinrich, M. Feickert, G. Stark and K. Cranmer.)



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## Access to **full binned likelihood**

- Swap out components of likelihood directly inside JSON for re-interpretations
- Re-interpret with different signal models via JSON patches



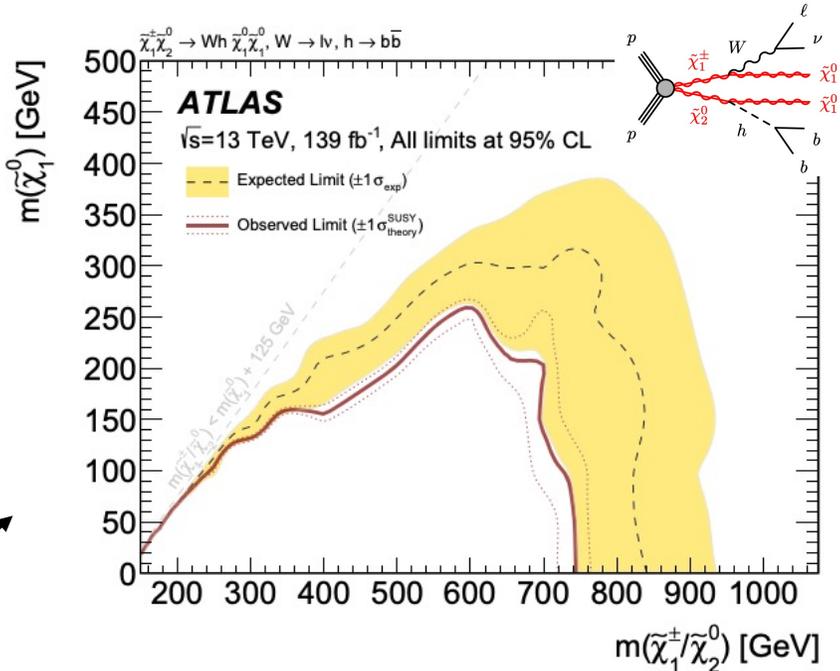
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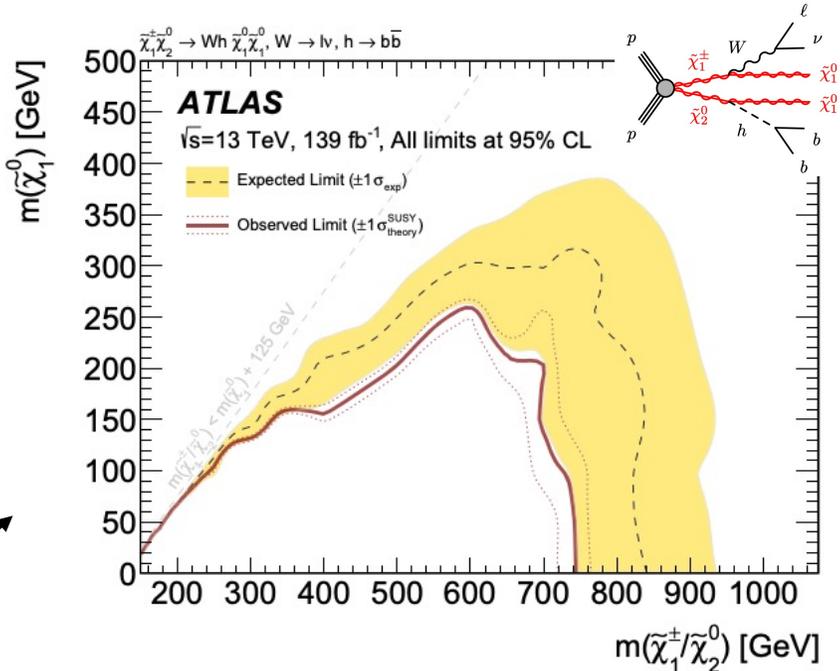


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More likelihoods becoming available using this approach [here](#) ...

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# Counting inputs

Back to our toy search, how many terms are needed to specify the full LH?

$$L(\mu, \boldsymbol{\delta})\pi(\boldsymbol{\delta}) = \prod_{I=1}^{90} P(n_I^{\text{obs}} | \mu \cdot n_{s,I} + n_{b,I}(\boldsymbol{\delta})) \cdot \prod_{j=1}^{94} e^{-\delta_j^2}$$

90 observations (one per bin)  $\rightarrow$   $n_I^{\text{obs}}$   
 90 expected signal yields  $\rightarrow$   $n_{s,I}$   
 Gaussian prior for each nuisance parameter  $\rightarrow$   $e^{-\delta_j^2}$

One term per category  $\rightarrow 3 \cdot 2 + 3 = 9$

$$n_{b,I}(\boldsymbol{\delta}) = N_c^0 \cdot \prod_{k=1}^2 (1 + K_k)^{\delta_k} \cdot f_I^0 \cdot \frac{1}{F(\boldsymbol{\delta})} \prod_{j=3}^4 p_{I,j}(\delta_j) \cdot (1 + \epsilon_I)^{\delta_I}$$

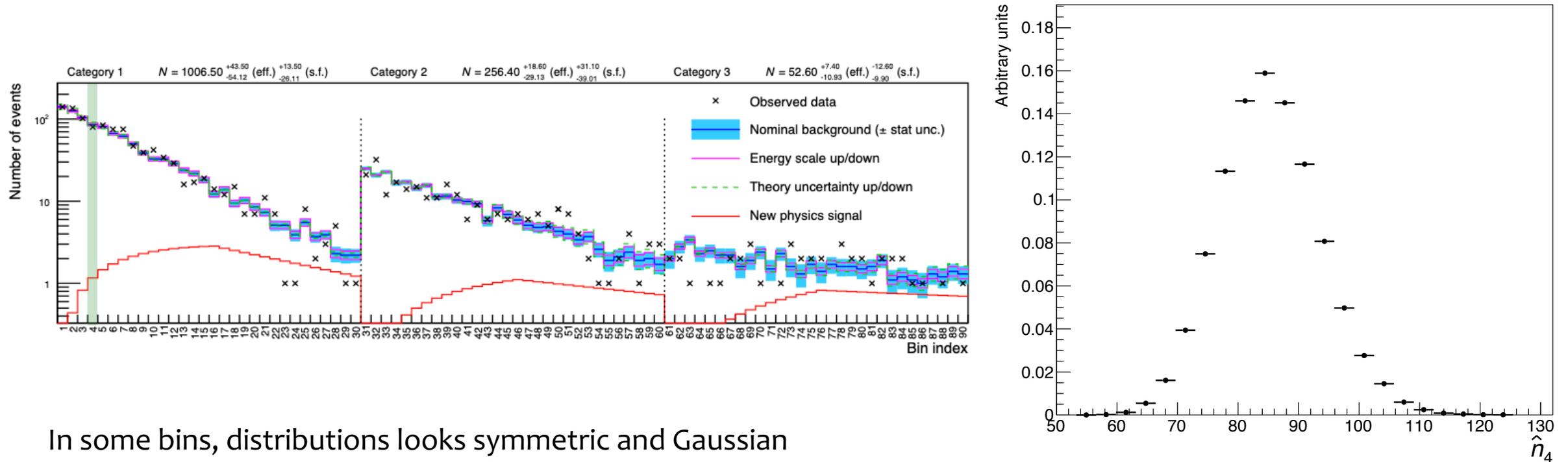
1 term for each bin  $\rightarrow 90$

90 functions; each requires 1+4 quantities to specify  $\rightarrow 450$

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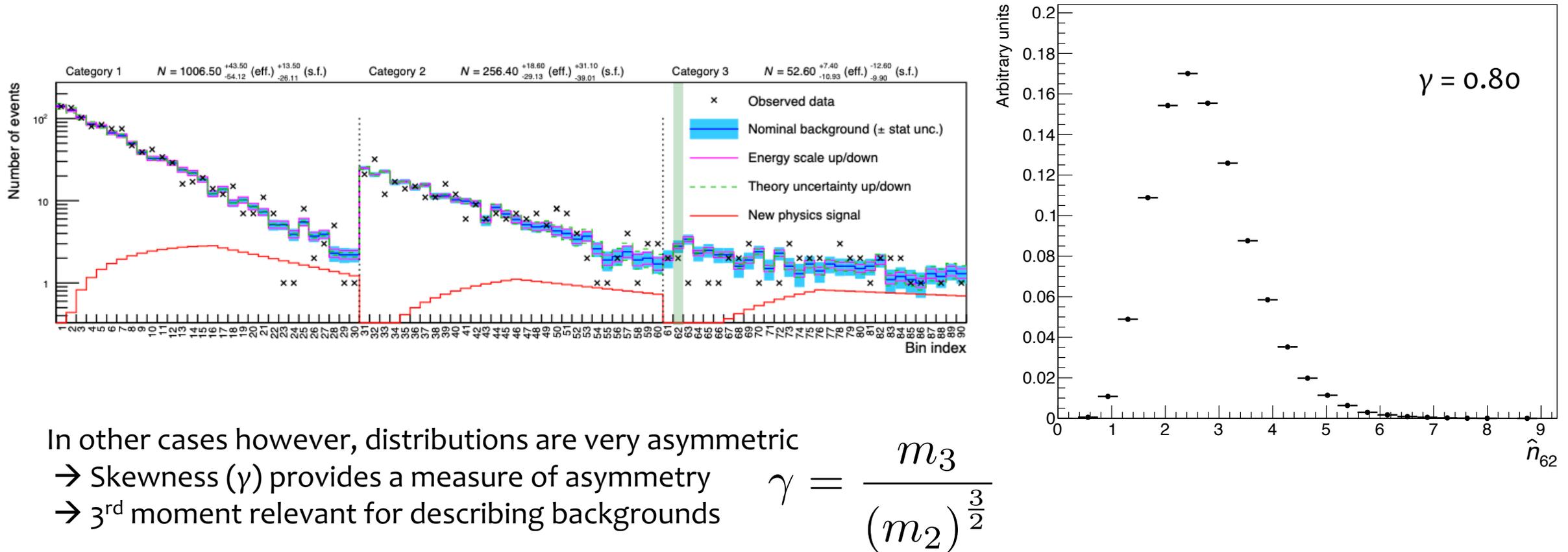
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In other cases however, distributions are very asymmetric  
 → Skewness ( $\gamma$ ) provides a measure of asymmetry  
 → 3<sup>rd</sup> moment relevant for describing backgrounds

$$\gamma = \frac{m_3}{(m_2)^{3/2}}$$

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2. Re-parameterize likelihood in terms of  $\mu^*$  and  $\vartheta_I \rightarrow$  Need to derive  $\pi(\vartheta)$ !

$$L(\mu, \delta) \pi(\delta) \rightarrow L(\mu, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \prod_{I=1}^{P=90} P(n_I^{\text{obs}} | \mu \cdot n_{s,I} + a_I + b_I \theta_I + c_I \theta_I^2) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^P}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \boldsymbol{\rho}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\theta}}$$

$P(x|y)$  = Poisson probability as before

These are the same as the *full* likelihood

$$\rho_{I,J} = \rho_{J,I}$$

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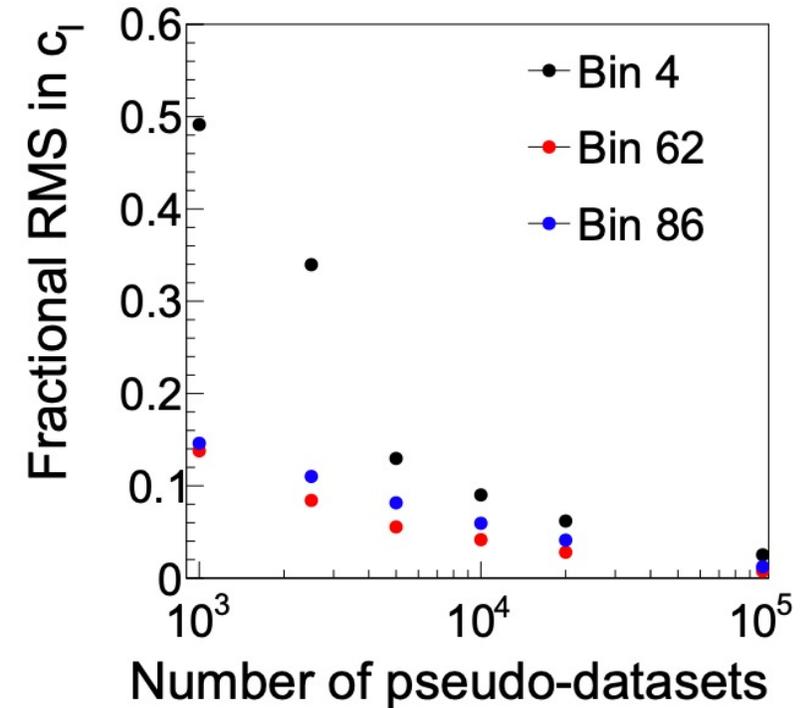
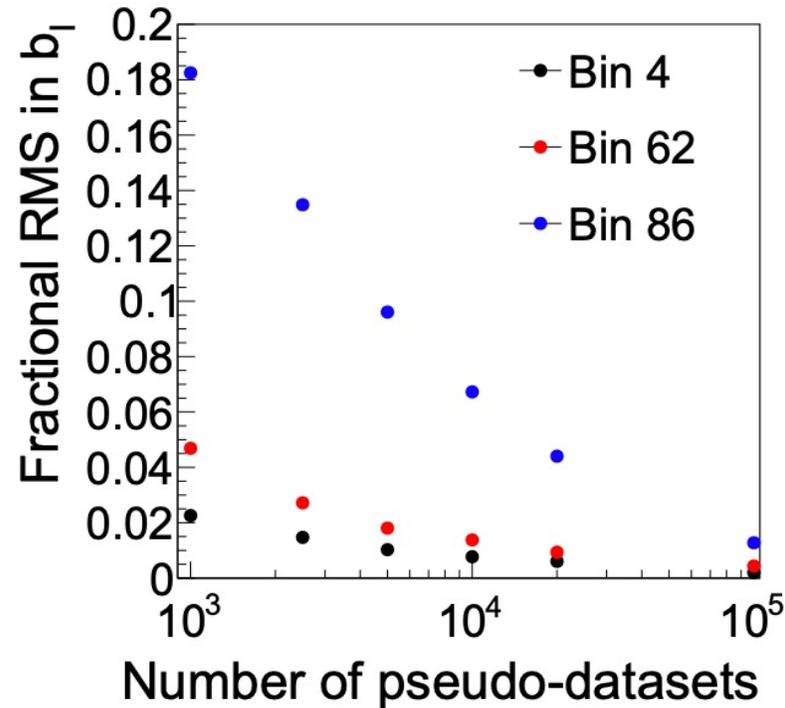
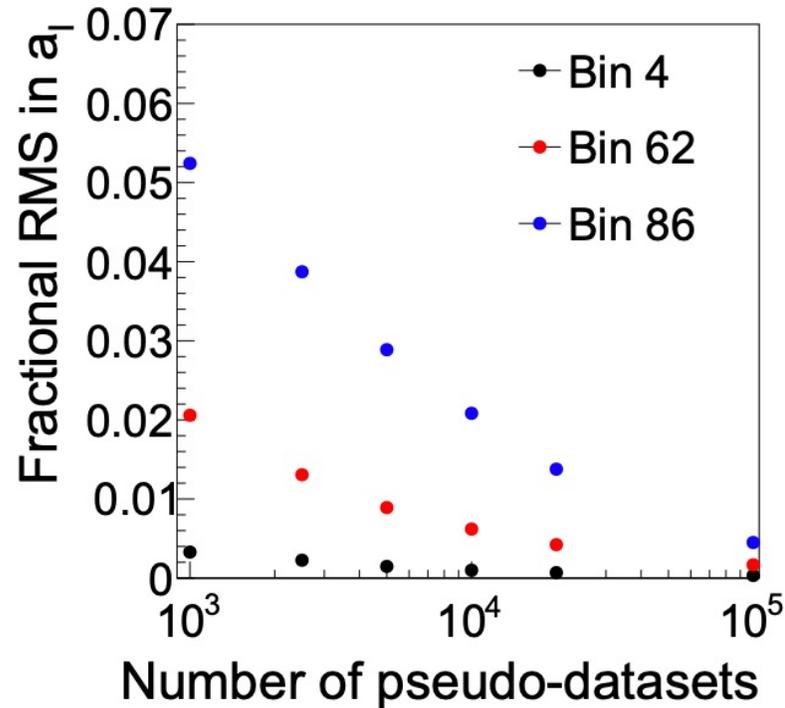
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Moments can be calculated analytically or (my preference) using pseudo experiments

$$\begin{aligned} m_{1,I} &= \mathbf{E}[\hat{n}_I] \\ m_{2,IJ} &= \mathbf{E}[(\hat{n}_I - \mathbf{E}[\hat{n}_I])(\hat{n}_J - \mathbf{E}[\hat{n}_J])] \\ m_{3,I} &= \mathbf{E}[(\hat{n}_I - \mathbf{E}[\hat{n}_I])^3] \end{aligned}$$

**These quantities** are the inputs needed to determine the **simplified likelihood**

# Convergence of moment calculation with pseudo-data



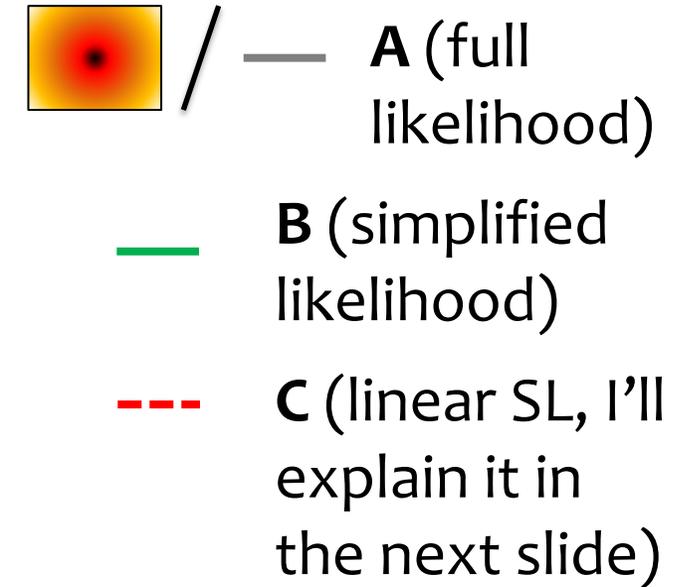
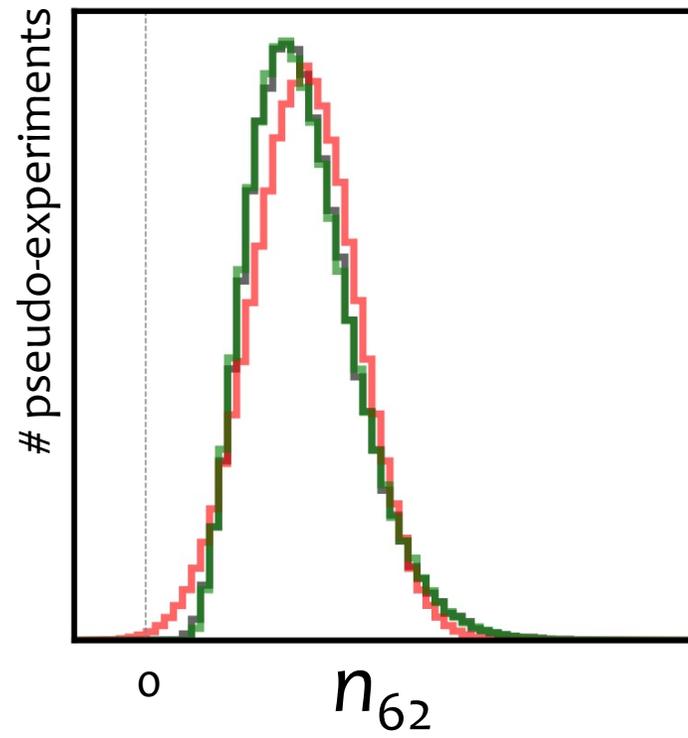
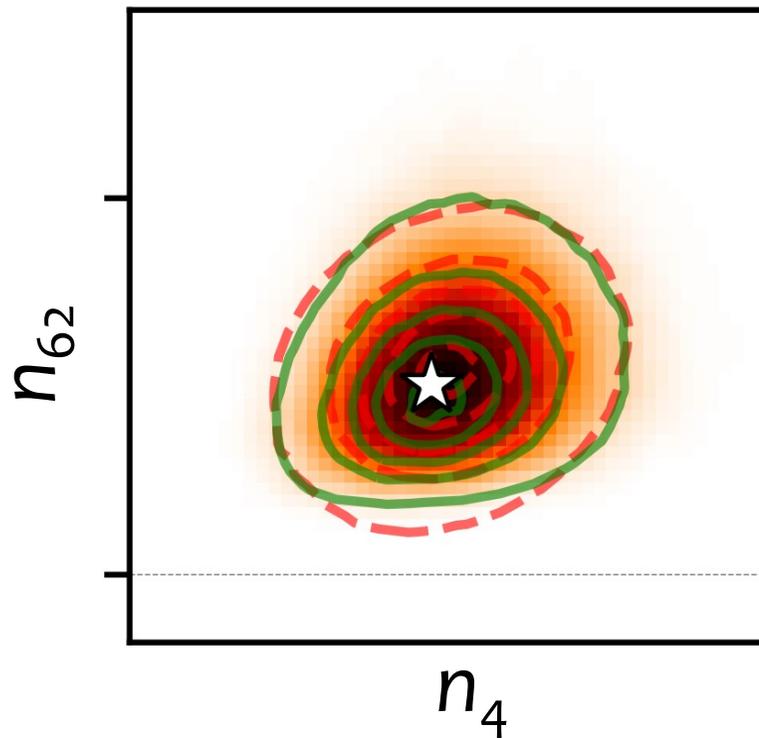
3<sup>rd</sup> Moment typically requires most toys to get accurate value, however this is mostly true when  $m_3$  is small and therefore not so relevant!

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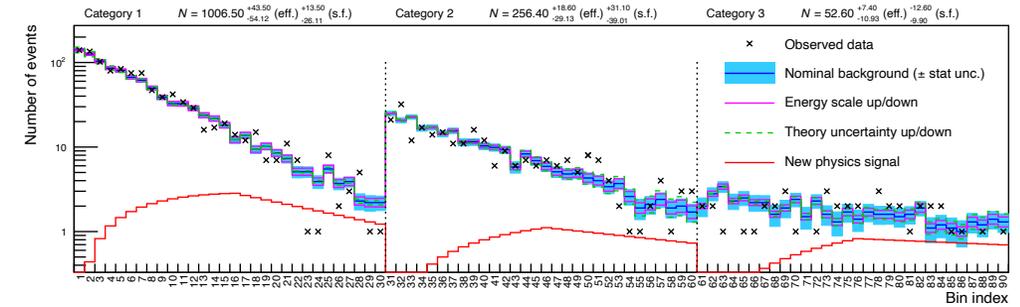
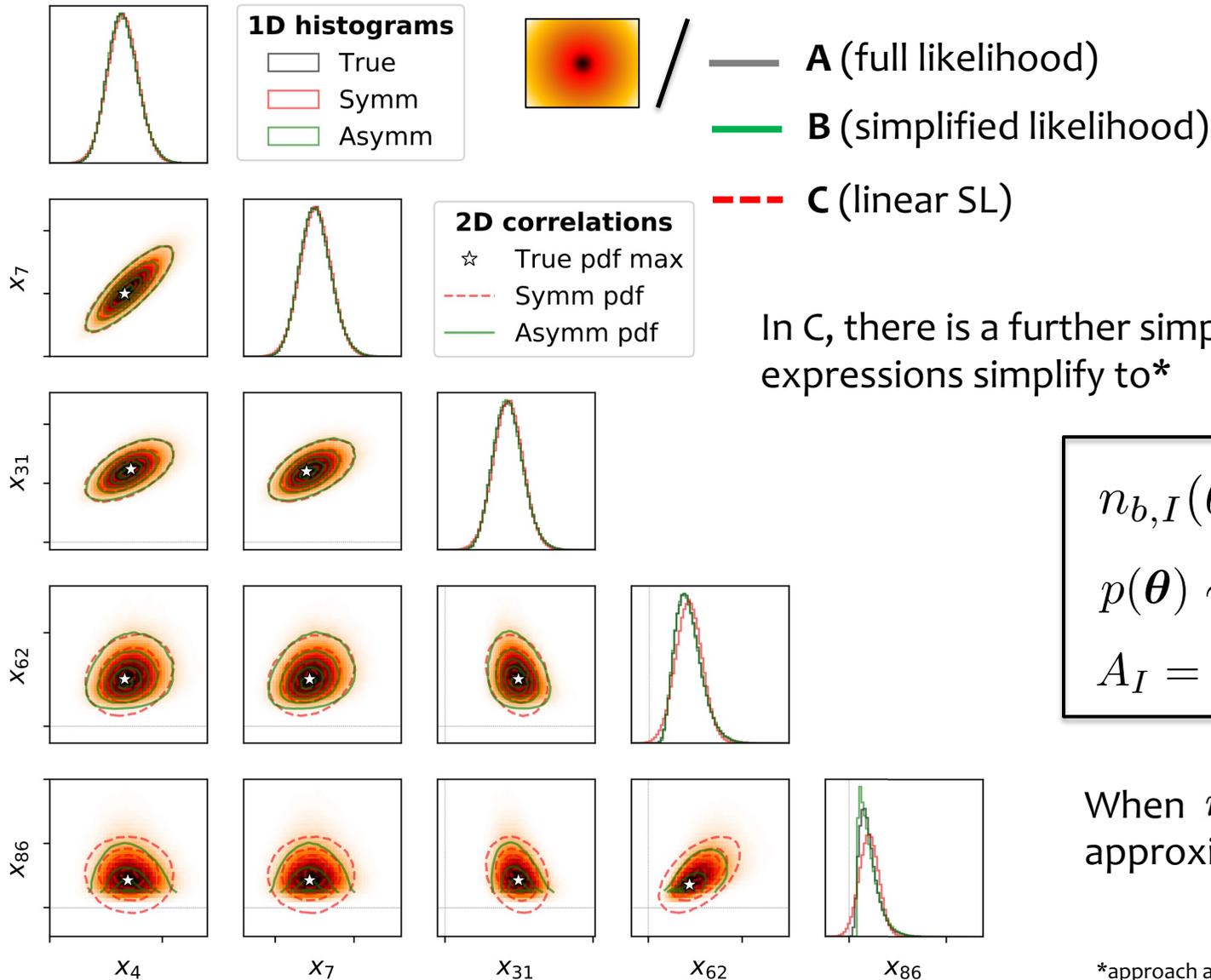
We can compare the distribution of  $\hat{n}_I$  obtained in the pseudo-data from

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In C, there is a further simplification that  $m_{3,I}$  is 0. In this case, the expressions simplify to\*

$$n_{b,I}(\theta_I) = A_I + B_I \theta_I$$

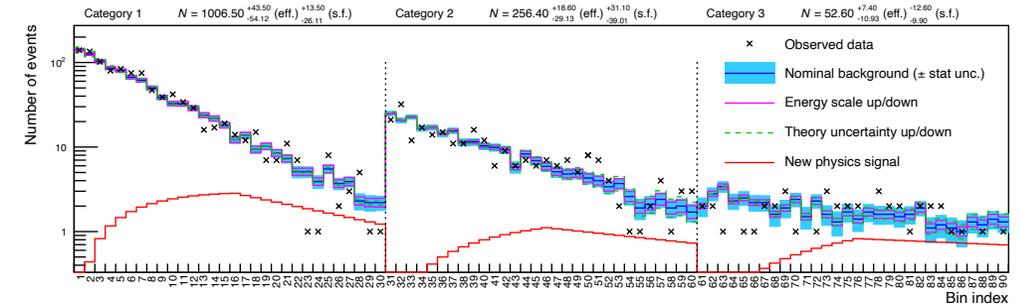
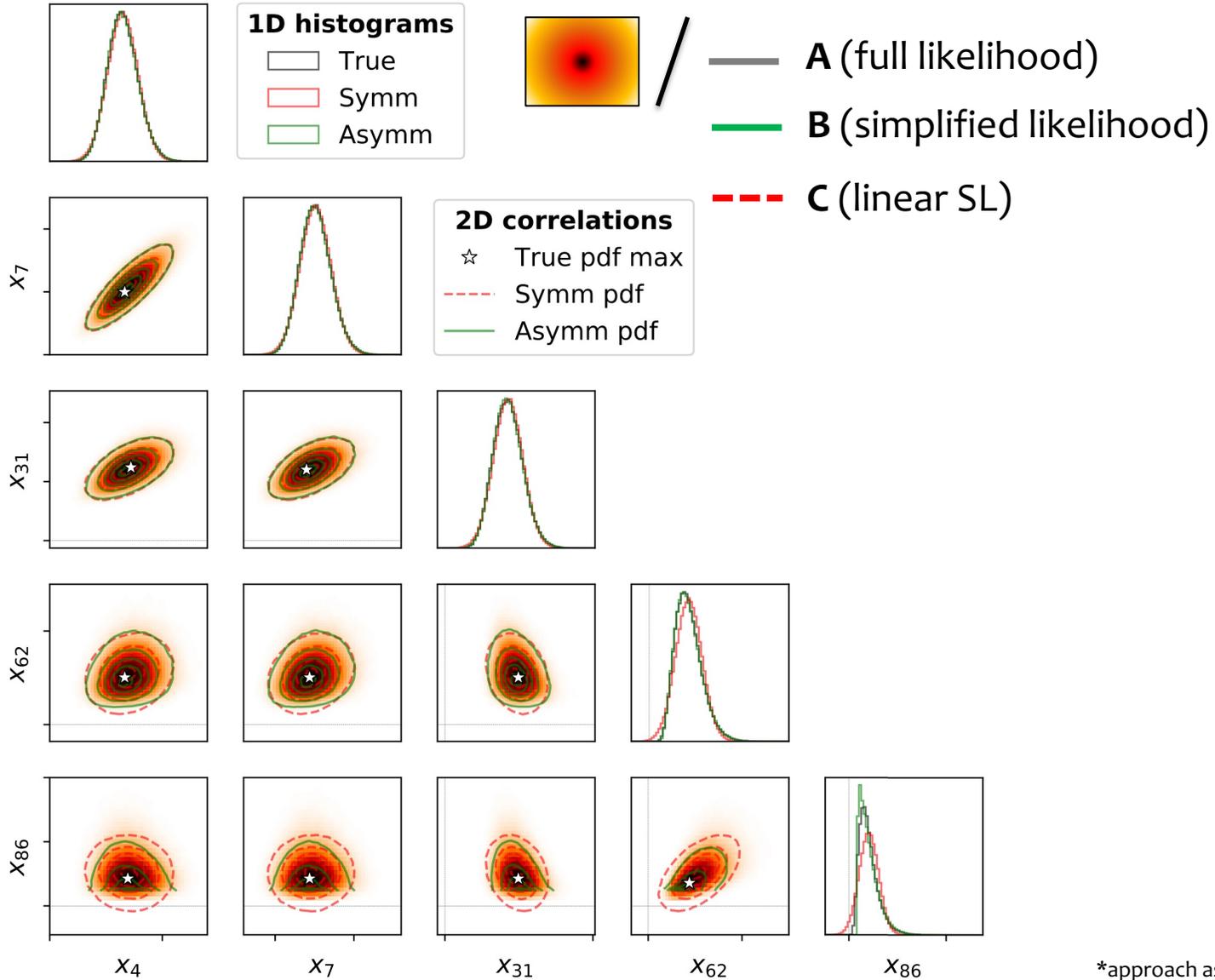
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$$A_I = m_{1,I}, \quad B_I = m_{2,II}, \quad v_{IJ} = m_{2,IJ}$$

When  $m_{3,I}/(m_{2,II})^{\frac{3}{2}}$  (the skew) is small, the linear approximation is fairly good, as expected.

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# Get to the punchline already Nick ...

Eliminating nuisance parameters ( $\delta$  or  $\theta$ ) indicates how *accurately* we can reproduce statistical interpretations.

e.g. the profiled likelihood ratio test-statistic\* is used to set limits on new physics processes at the LHC

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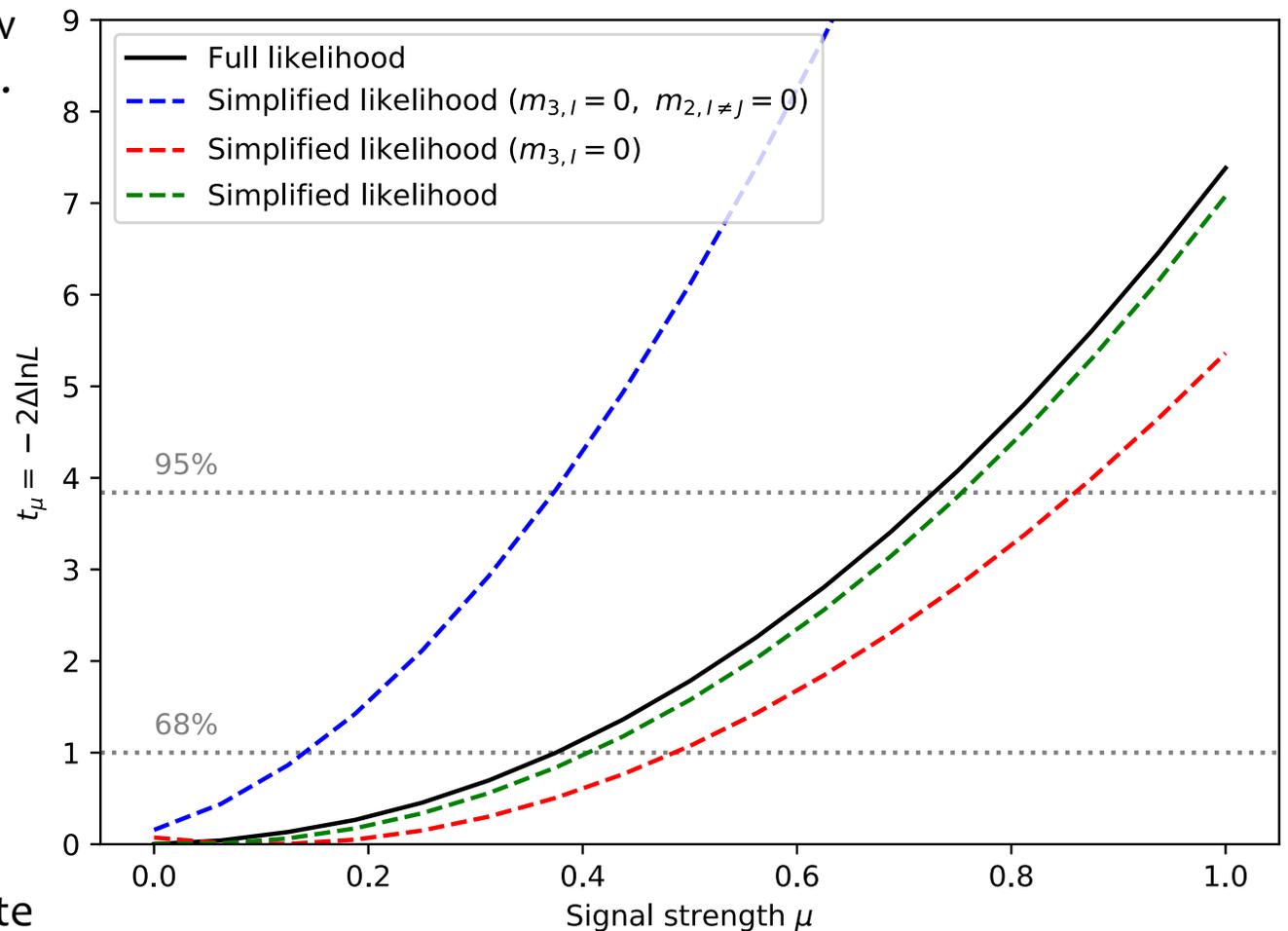
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Inputs for toy search uploaded to [HepData](#)



Public scipy-based code to calculate SL coefficients and run statistical tests on [GitLab](#)



\*No reason why we couldn't have marginalised the likelihood to compare Bayesian posterior distributions instead of profiling.

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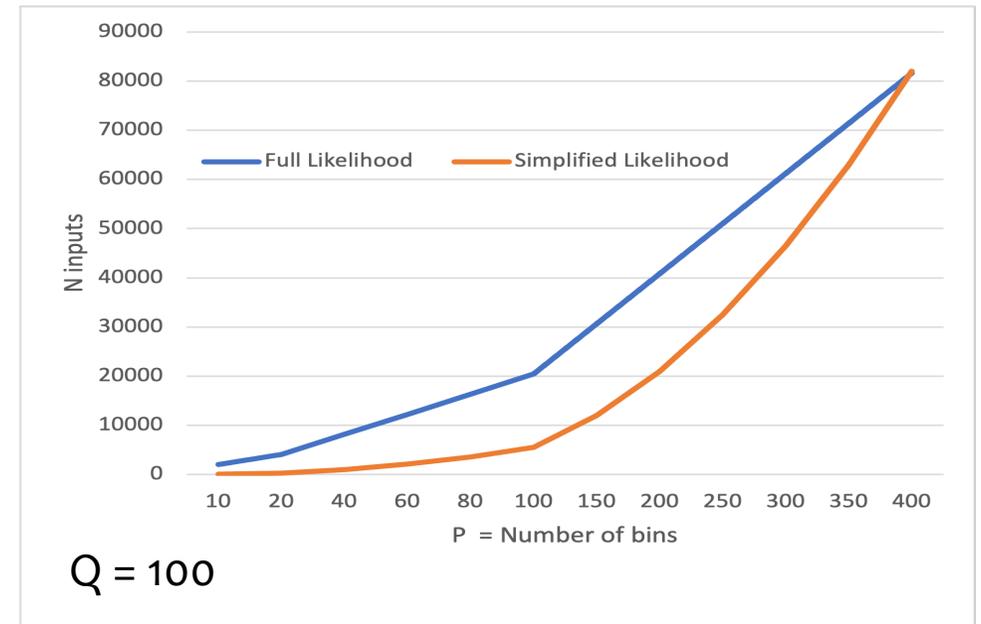
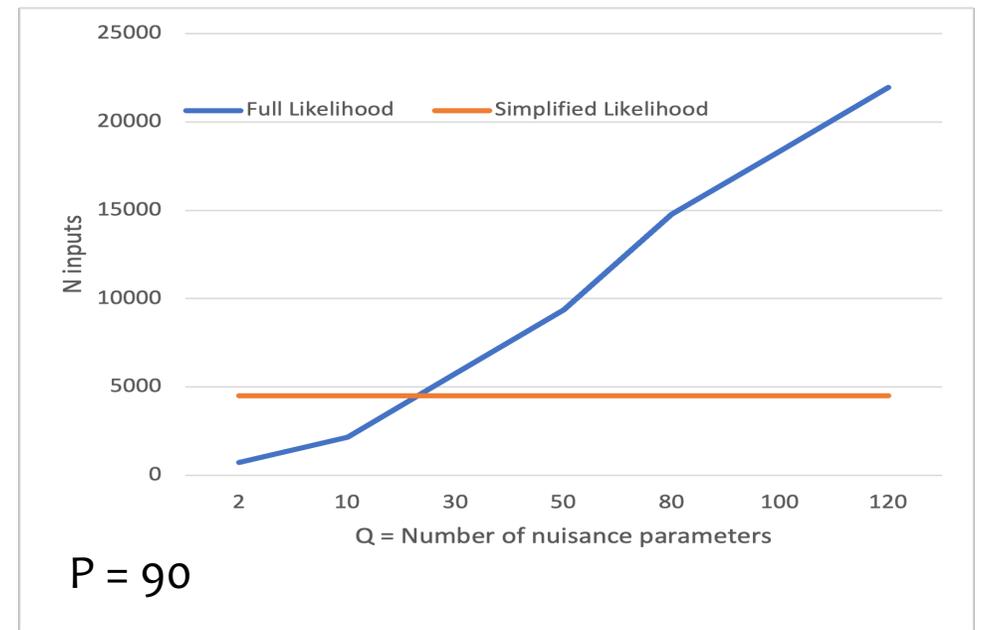
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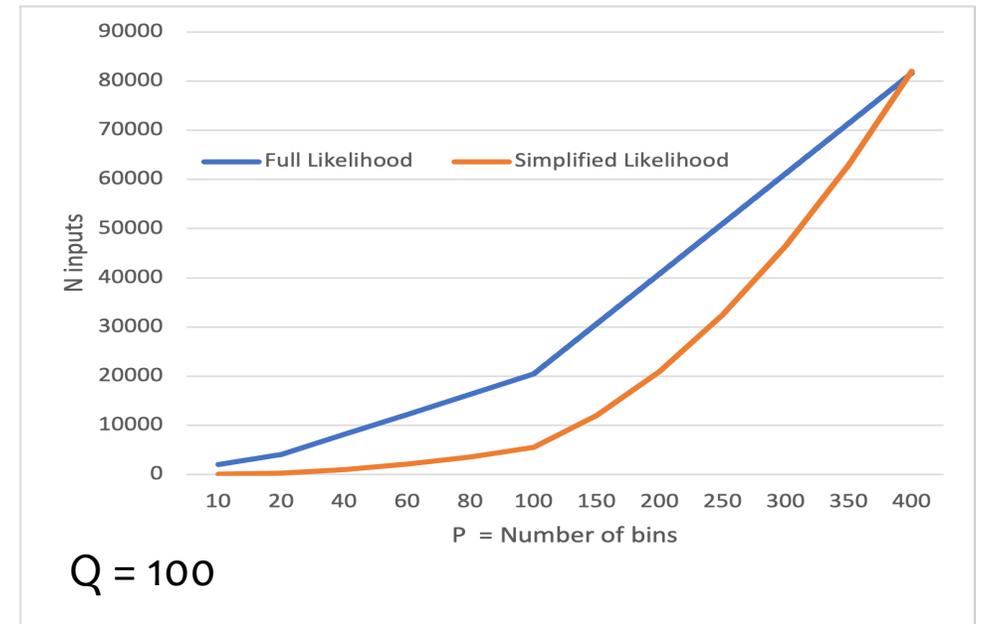
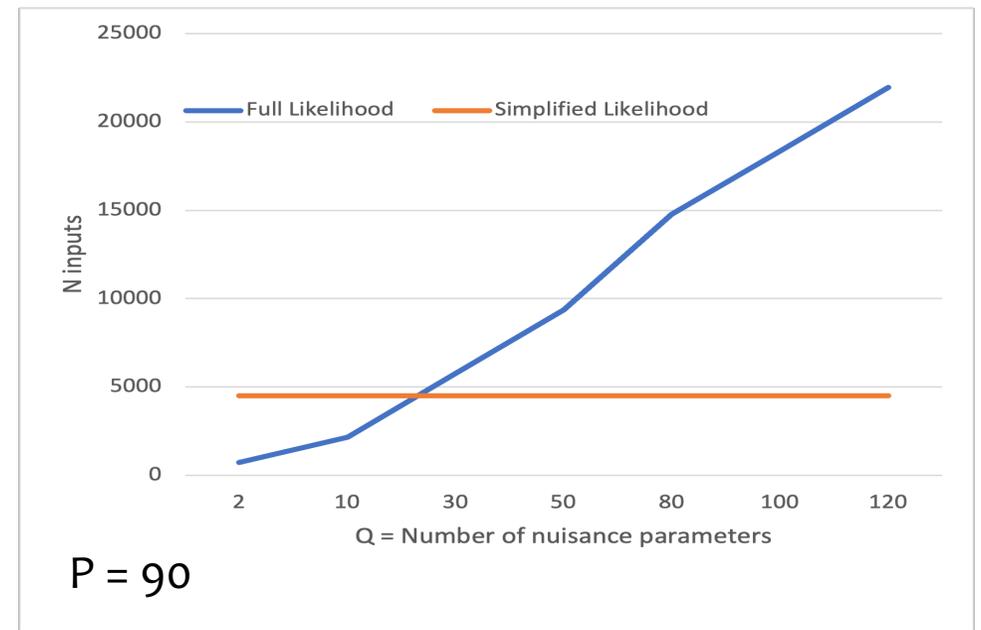
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Simplified likelihood greatly **reduces complexity for  $P \ll Q$  !**

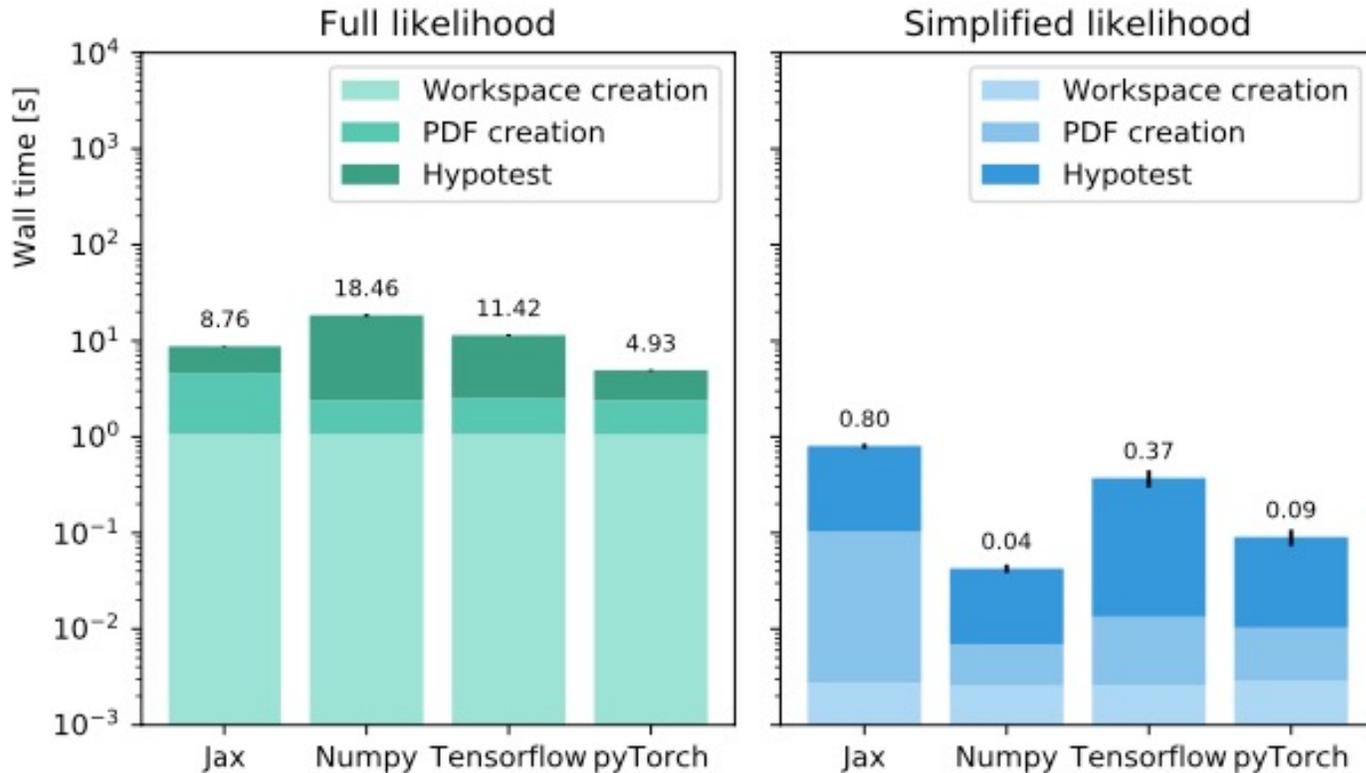


# What about fitting time?

## ATLAS Search

O(100) nuisance parameters simplified using [python-simplify](#)

Creating PDF/LH and calculating upper limit:



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## Toy Search

94 nuisance parameters

Evaluate 16 points in a profiled likelihood scan:

RooFit/MINUIT based full likelihood:  
~ 31 s on CPU

[SLtools](#) based simplified likelihood:  
~ 1.6 s on CPU

Easily find speed-up of **10-100X** in terms of fitting / statistical inference time when using simplified likelihoods!

# Can we do even better?

Essentially what we are doing is to approximate the distribution of the mean for the Poisson probabilities, i.e we want;

$$p(\mathbf{n}(\delta) | \delta)$$

So that we can plug  $\mathbf{n}$  into the Poisson terms and constrain them. But why stop there? At the end, we care about \*

$$L(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\delta}) \propto p(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\delta}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\delta})$$

Which, once we specify  $\mathbf{x}$  is just a function;

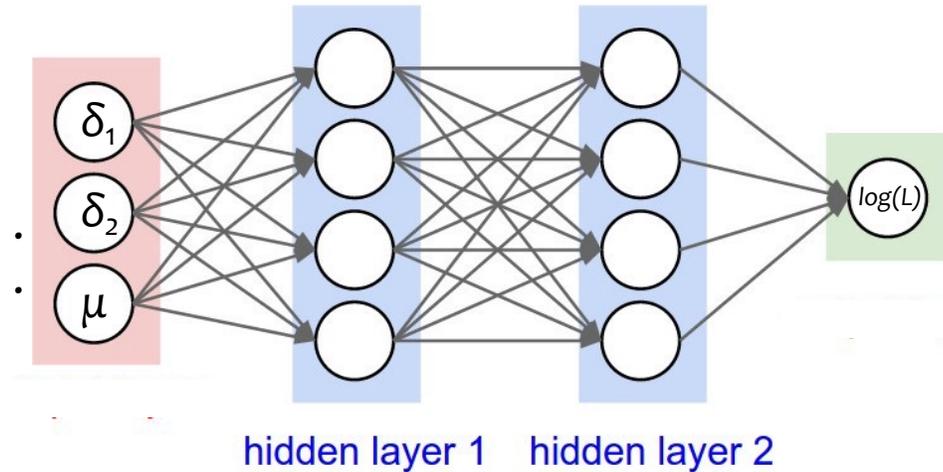
$$(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\delta}) \rightarrow L(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\delta})$$

We know of statistical models that can be trained to “learn” this function  $\rightarrow$  Use *machine learning* to approximate and communicate the likelihood!

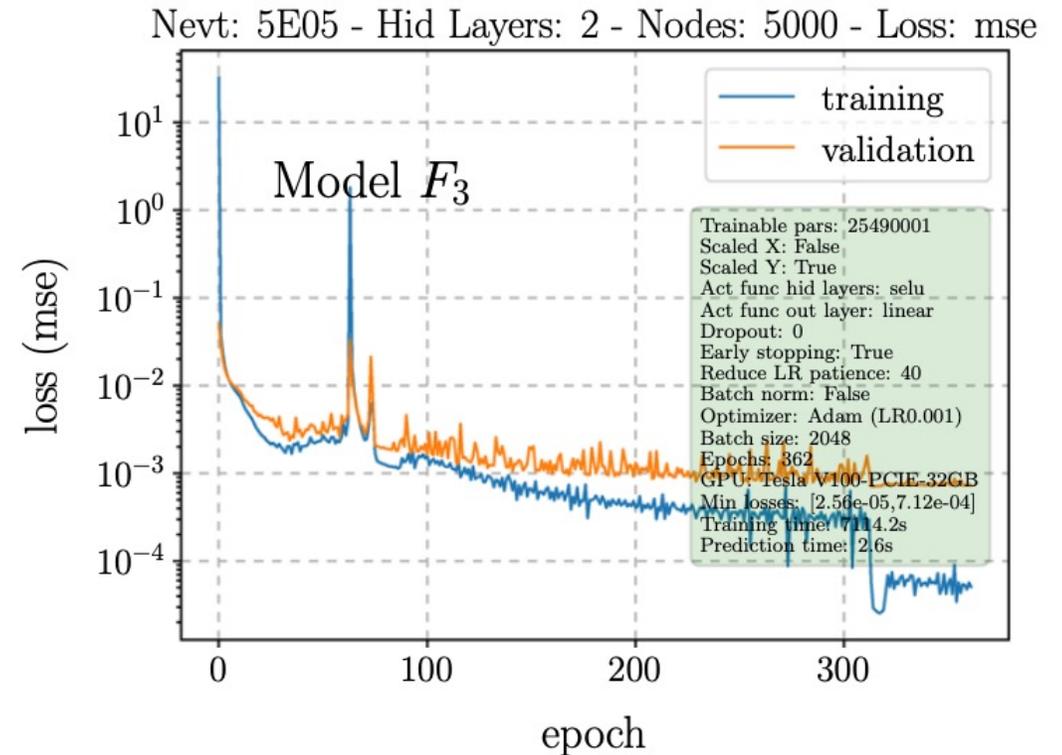
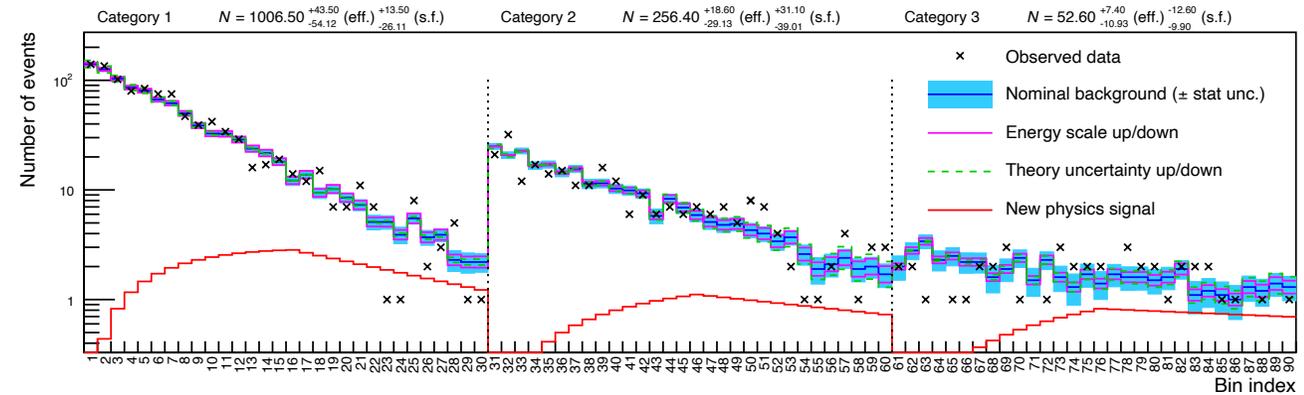
\* I know, I know, here I use  $L$  for a product of the likelihood and the priors!

# DNN based likelihoods

Random samples from the toy search experimental likelihood serve as training data for a Deep Neural Network [1]



- 2 hidden layer NN, with SELU activation functions between layers – tested different #nodes in hidden layers.
- Adam optimizer with MSE as loss function to train the NN parameters.
- Sampling based on  $p(\mathbf{x})$  – in this case known from the expt. LH



[1] A. Coccaro, M. Pierini, L. Silvestrini, R. Torre: [Eur. Phys. J. C 80, 664 \(2020\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.11422).

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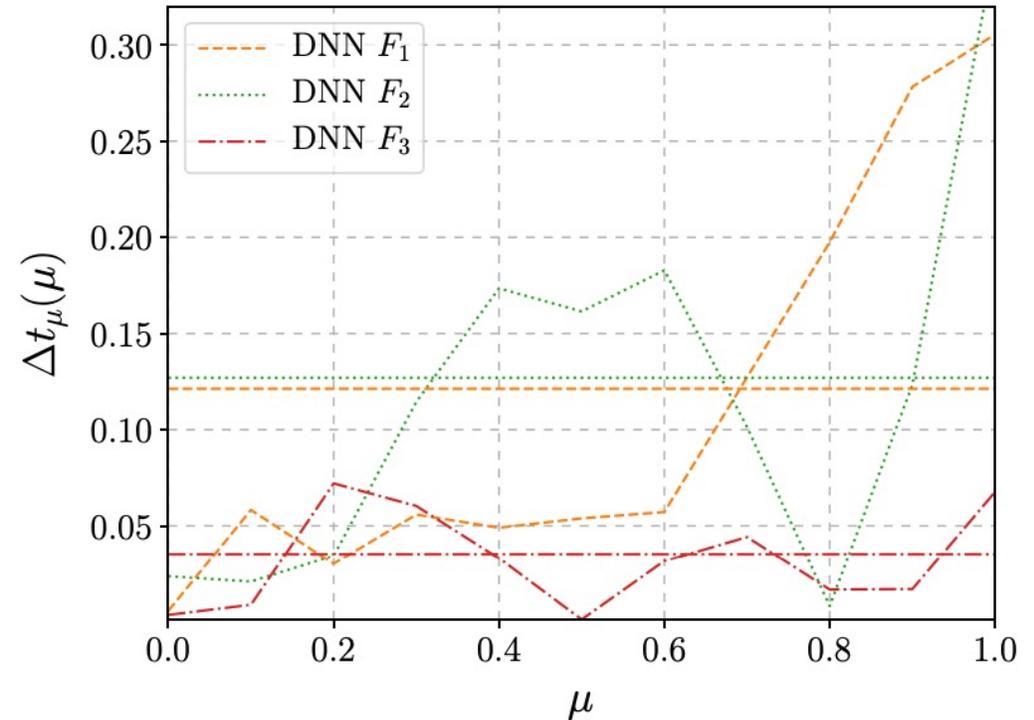
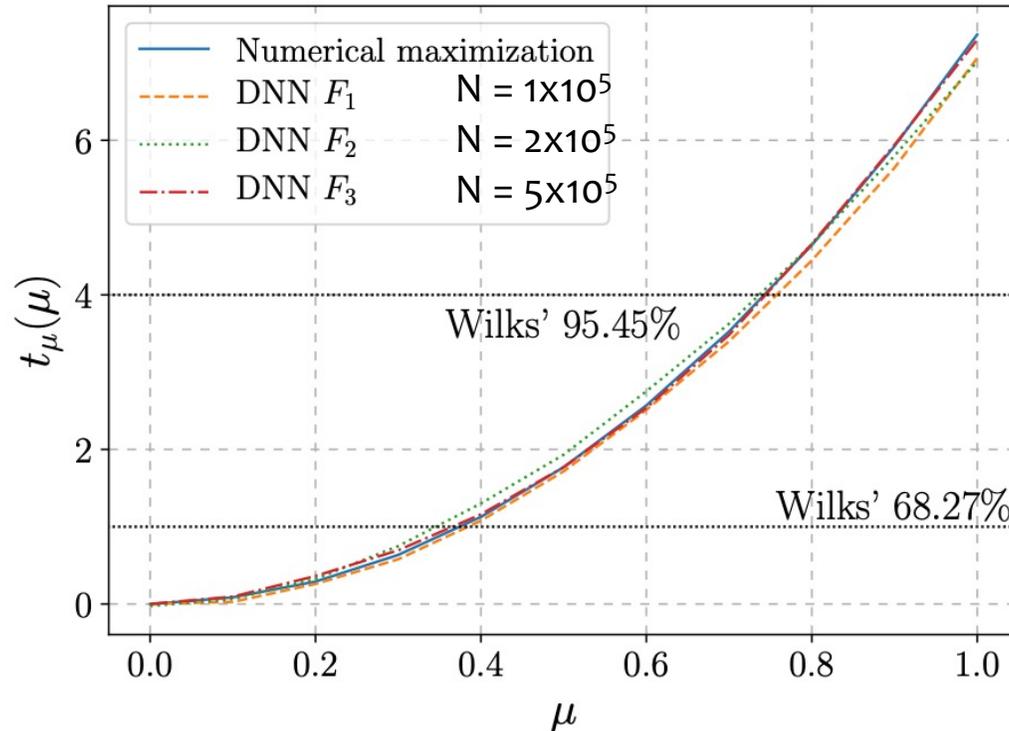
Profiled log-likelihood ratio demonstrates accuracy of DNN likelihood in terms of statistical inference

- Accuracy depends on number of sample points (N) used to train (more than required to determine covariances+skew but not prohibitively large)

Python based code for training and evaluating DNN LH



ONNX format for publishing LH



# ML-based likelihood(ratios)

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If you can find a function  $s(\mathbf{x})$  that is monotonic with  $r(\mathbf{x}; \alpha_0, \alpha_1)$  [1], then;

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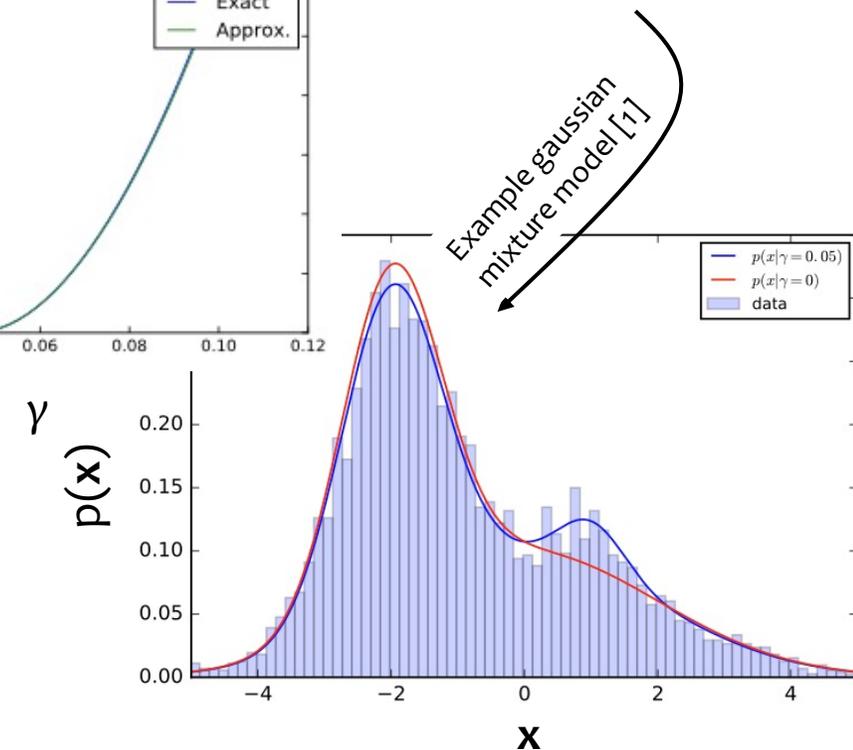
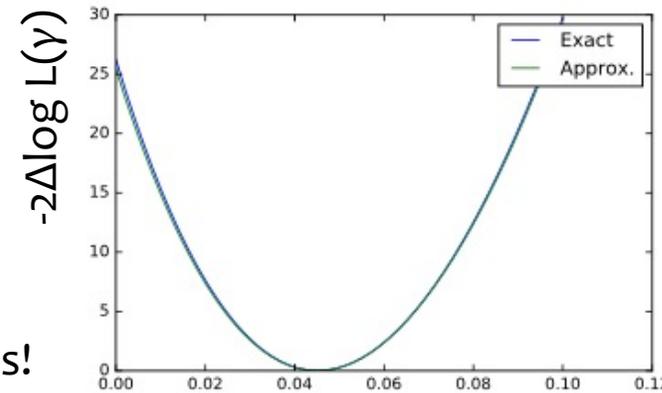
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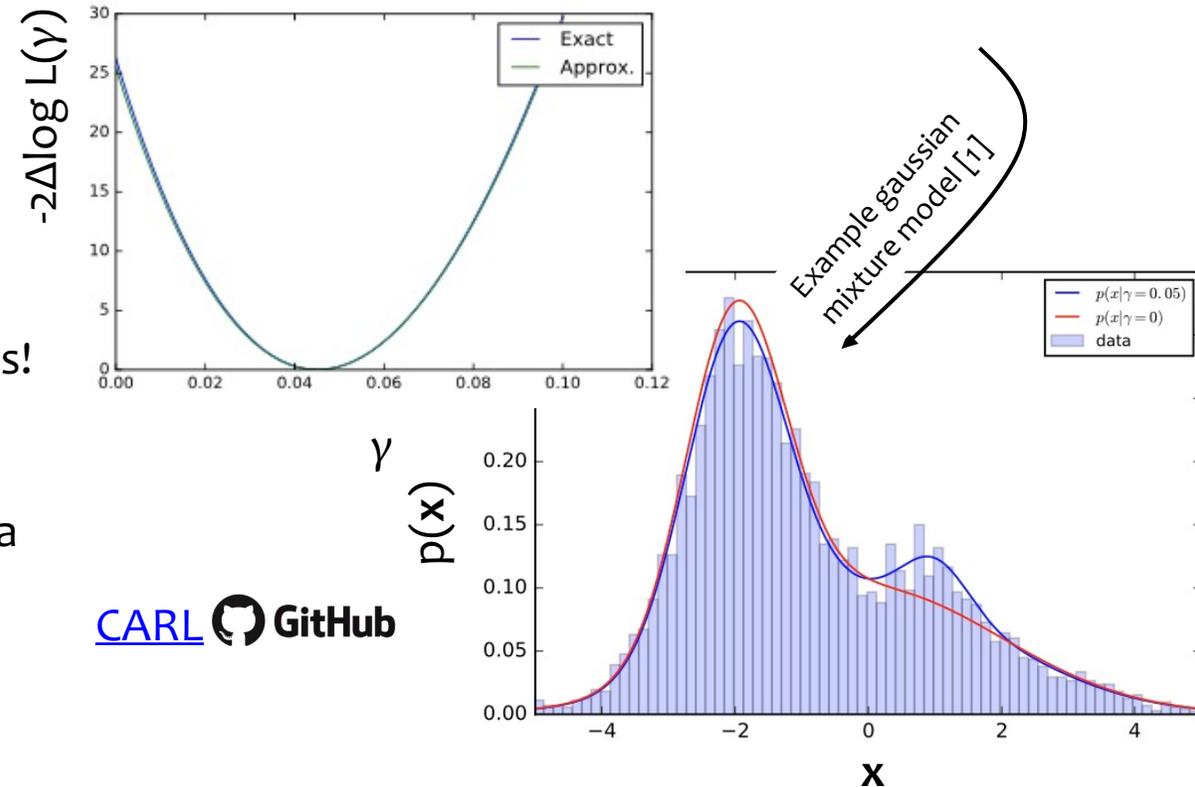
*likelihood-free* based inference or Approximate Bayesian Computation (ABC) more common outside HEP - See [2] for a very nice review of applications in HEP!

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[2] [arXiv:2010.06439](https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.06439)

See the PhyStat seminar from [Kyle Cranmer](#) for more ML based approaches

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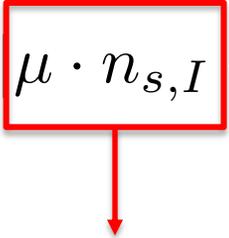
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an experimental searches (or measurement)

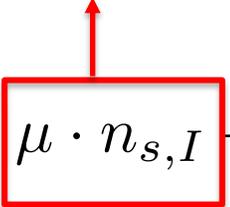
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This part is the same for both LHs  
→ Changing  $n_{s,I}$  allows for re-use of the likelihood for **other signal hypotheses**

## Simplified likelihood

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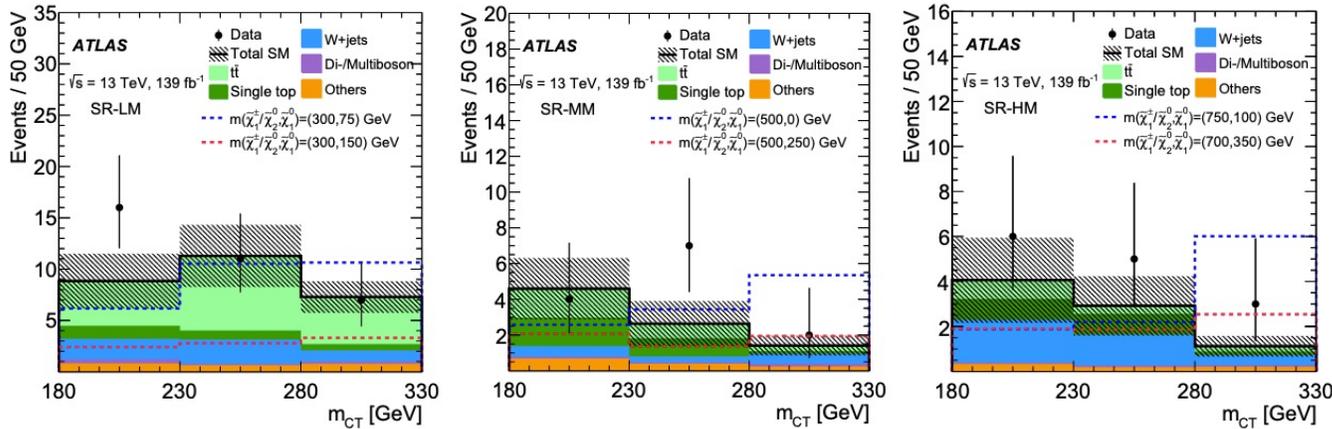
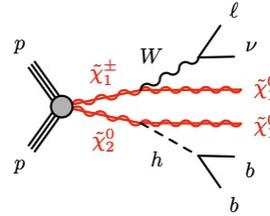
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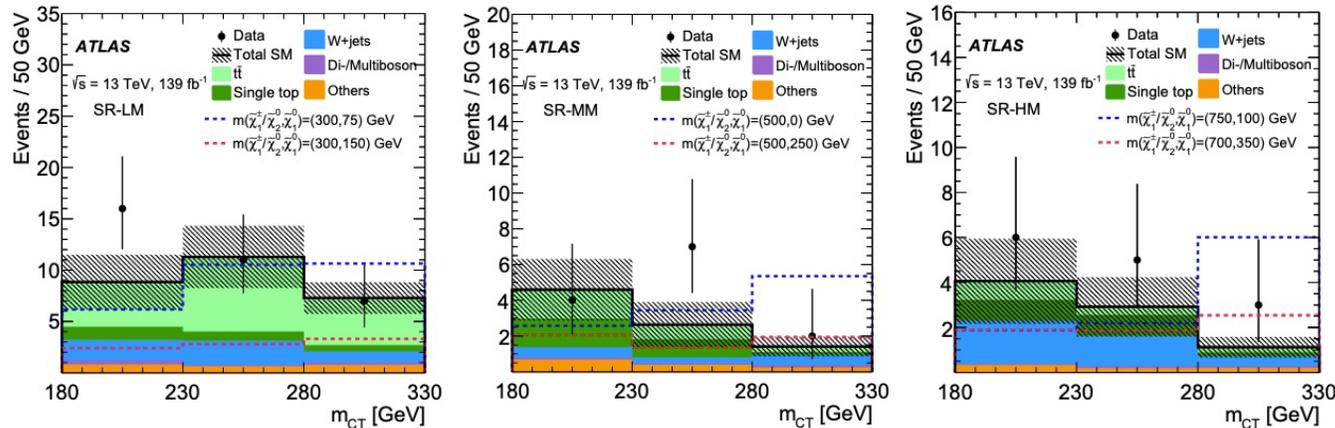
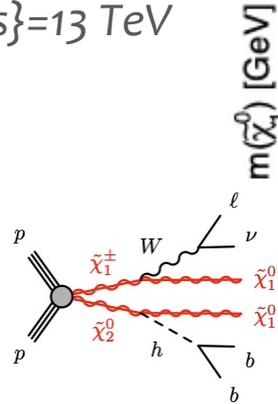
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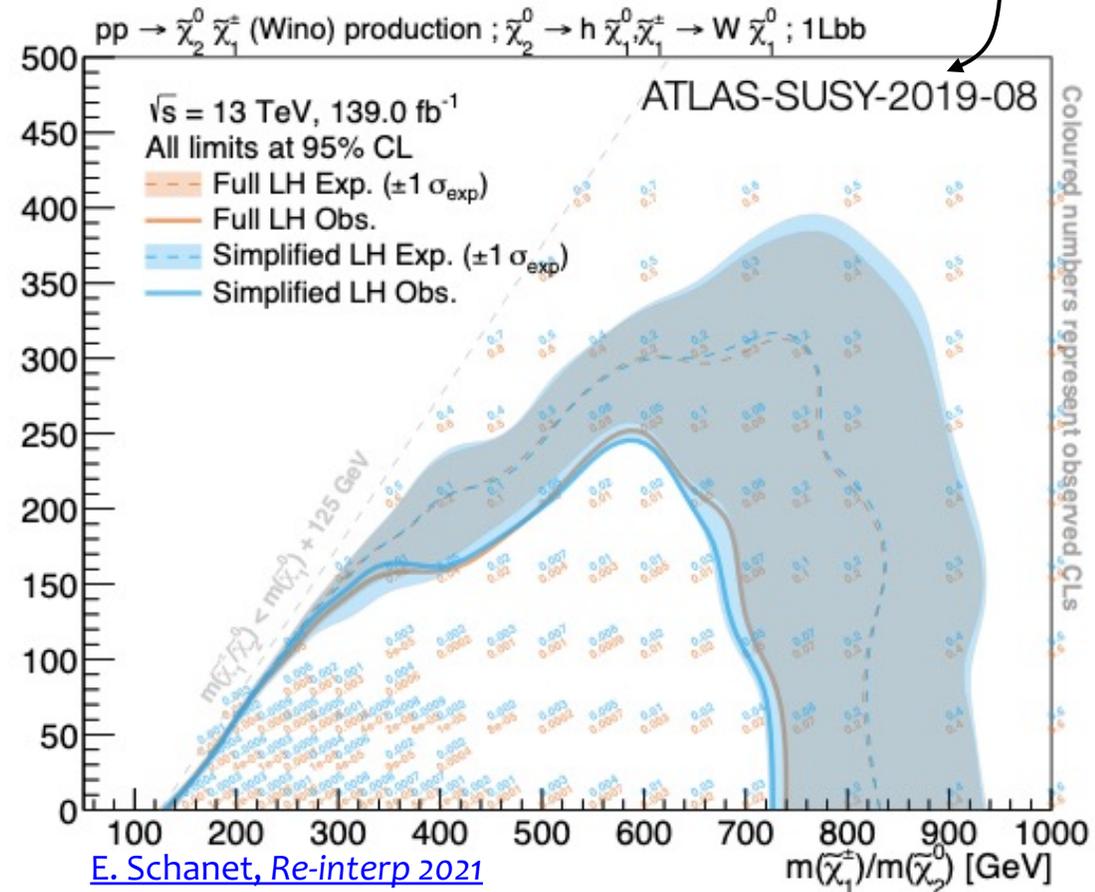
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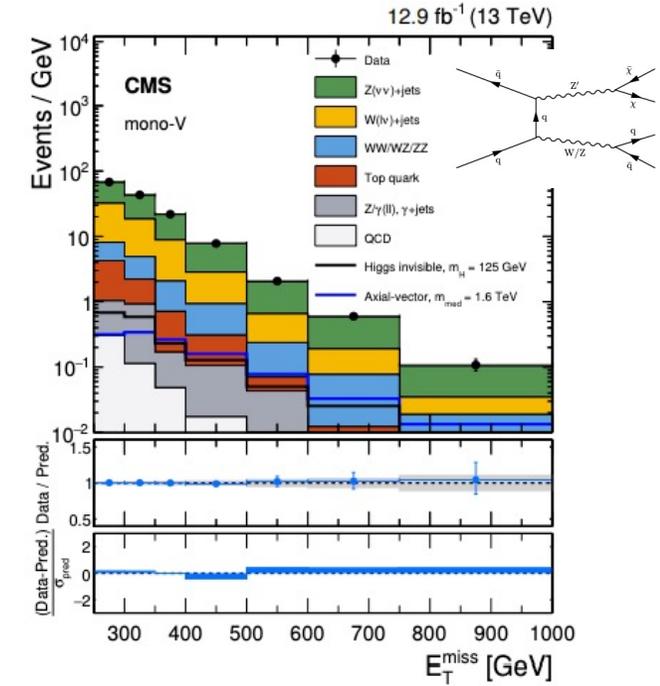
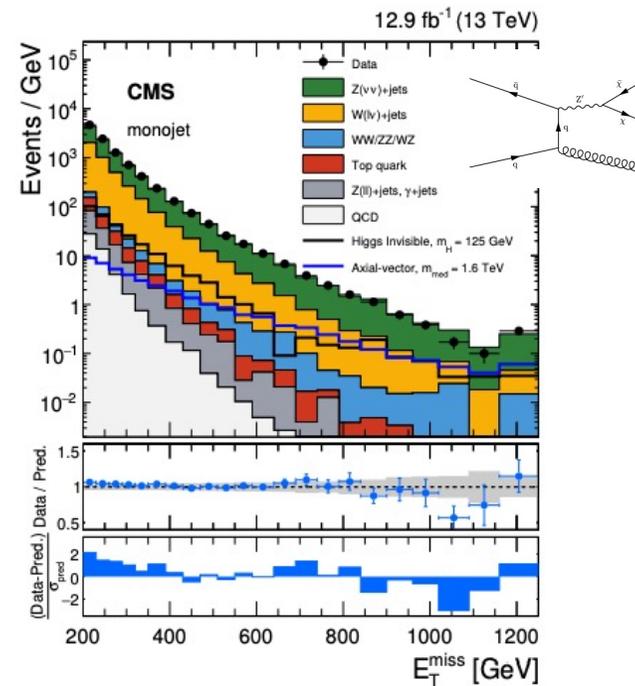


[E. Schanet, Re-interp 2021](#)

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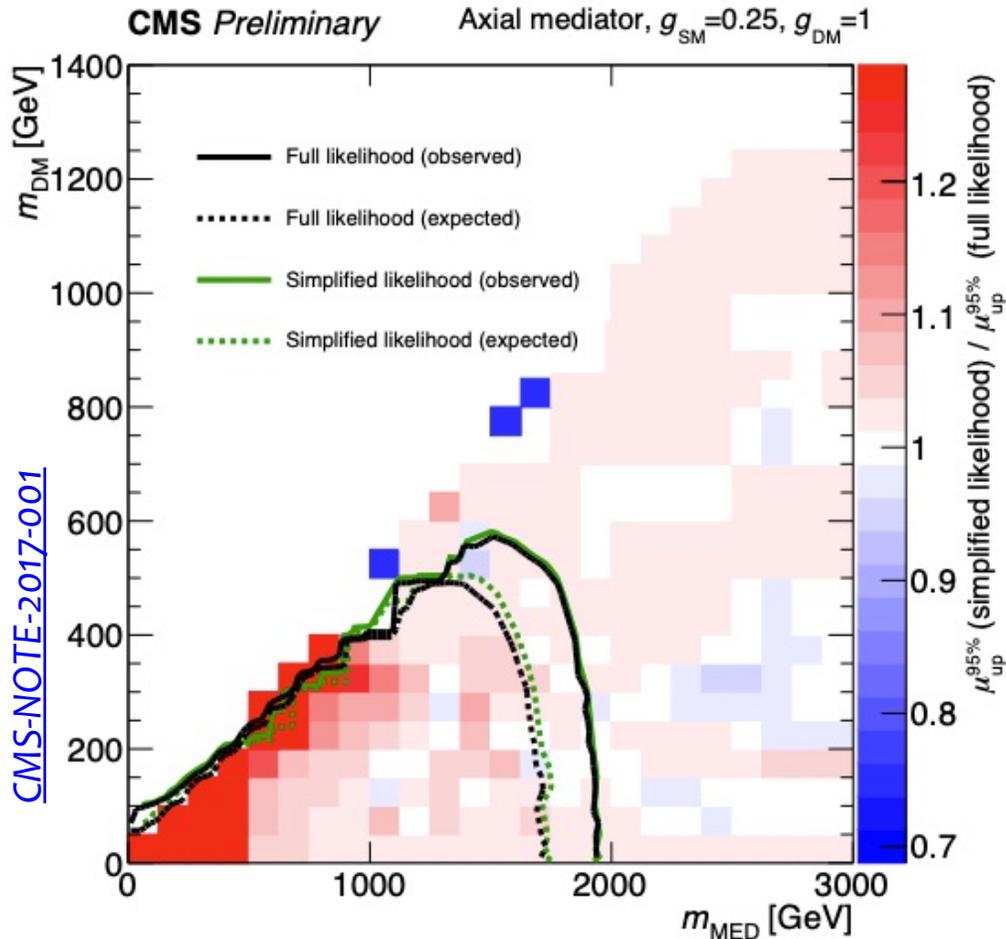
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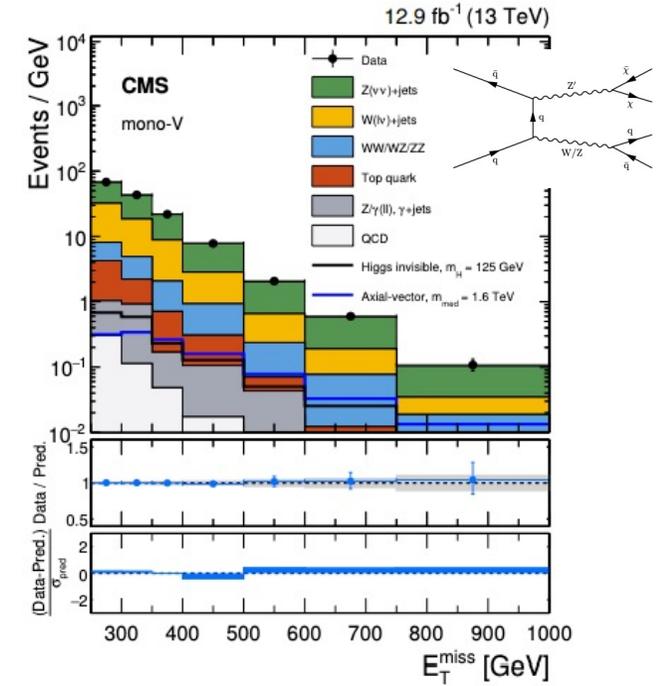
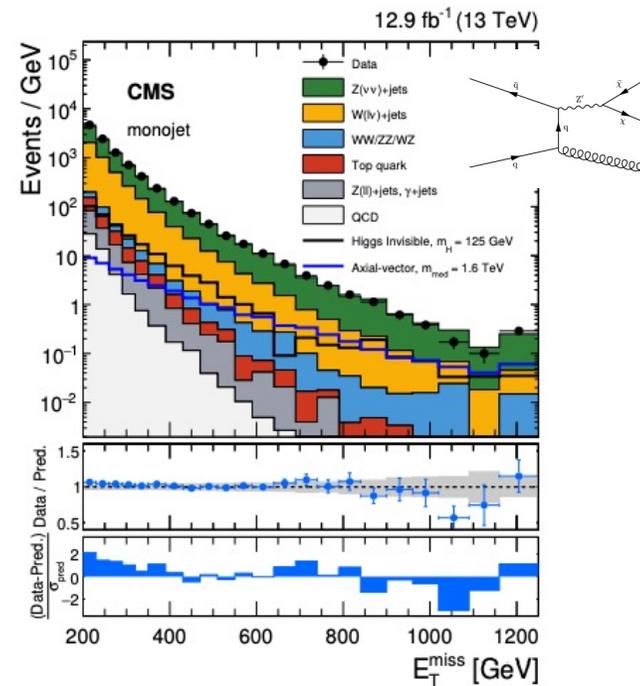
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# Workflows

## Standard workflow for predictions

### New signal model

- UFO+param/proc/run card
- ...

### MC generation

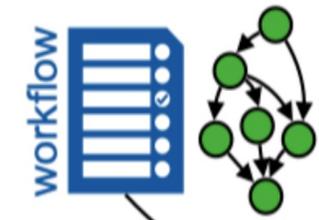
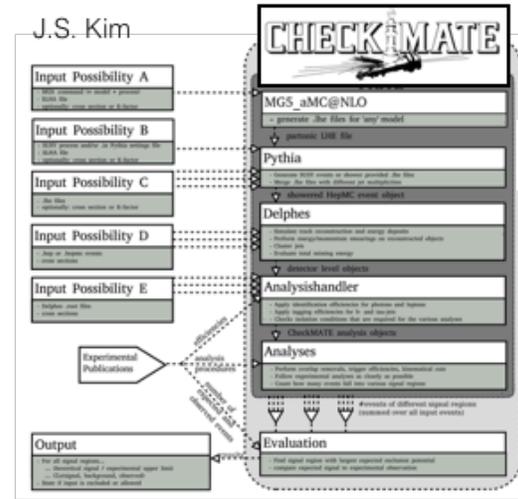
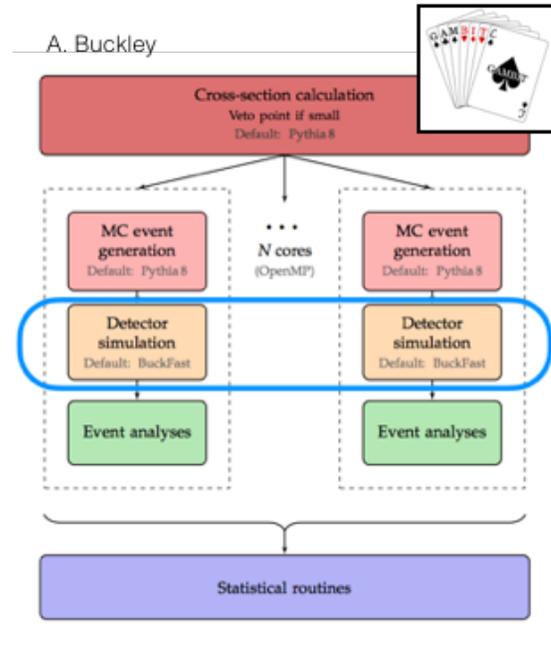
- [MG5+Pythia](#)
- [Herwig](#)
- [Sherpa](#)
- ...

### Detector Simulation

- [Full/Fast Geant4](#)
- [Delphes](#)
- BuckFast
- Transfer functions
- ...

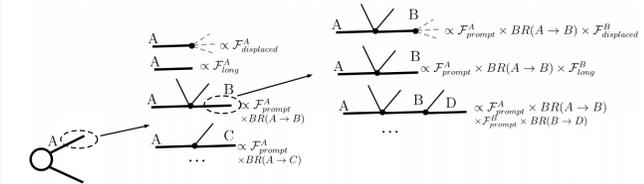
### Event Selection/categorisation

- [Rivet](#)
- [MadAnalysis](#)
- ...

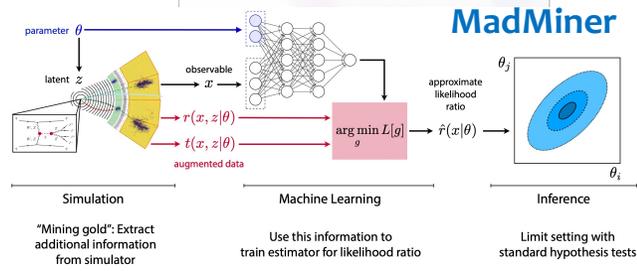


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Reproducible research data analysis platform

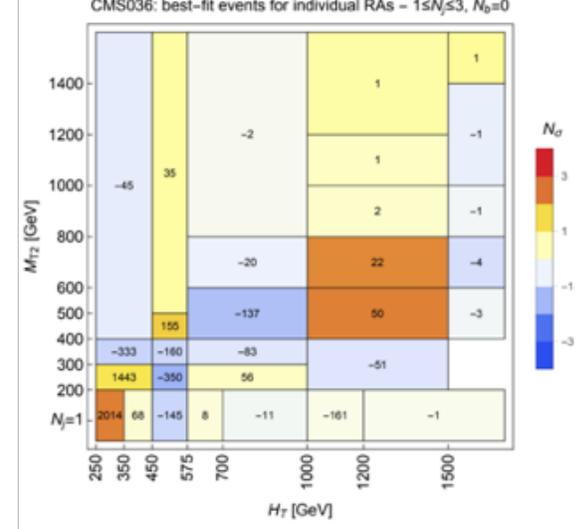


SModels



- Counts/observables for signal process  
- Statistical inference

arXiv:1707.05783



# Calibration from experimental meta data

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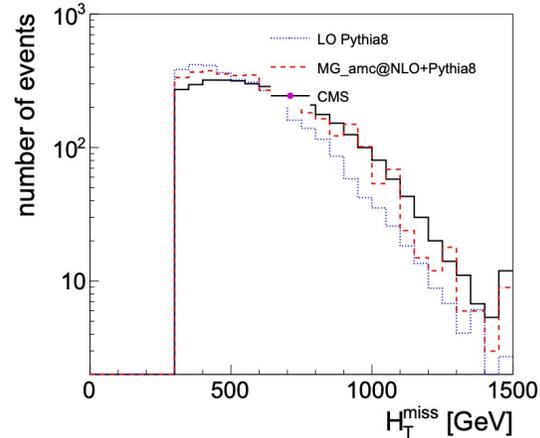
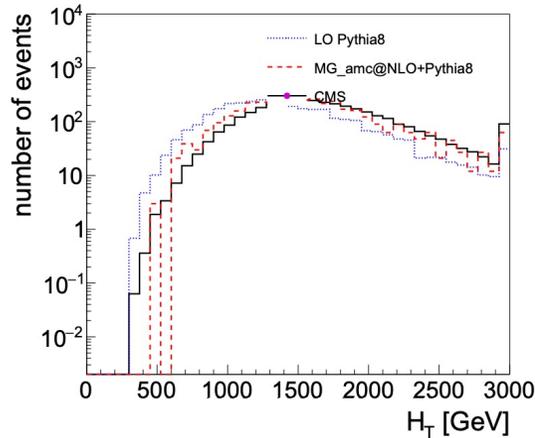


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## [CMS-SUS-19-006](#) example (Jets+missing energy search)



- Description of statistical methods
  - E.g. validity of asymptotic approximations if used

## Validation in MA5 by M. Mrowietz, S. Bein, J. Sonneveld

Table 1. Pre-selection cutflow for the T1qqqq-1300-100 simplified model.

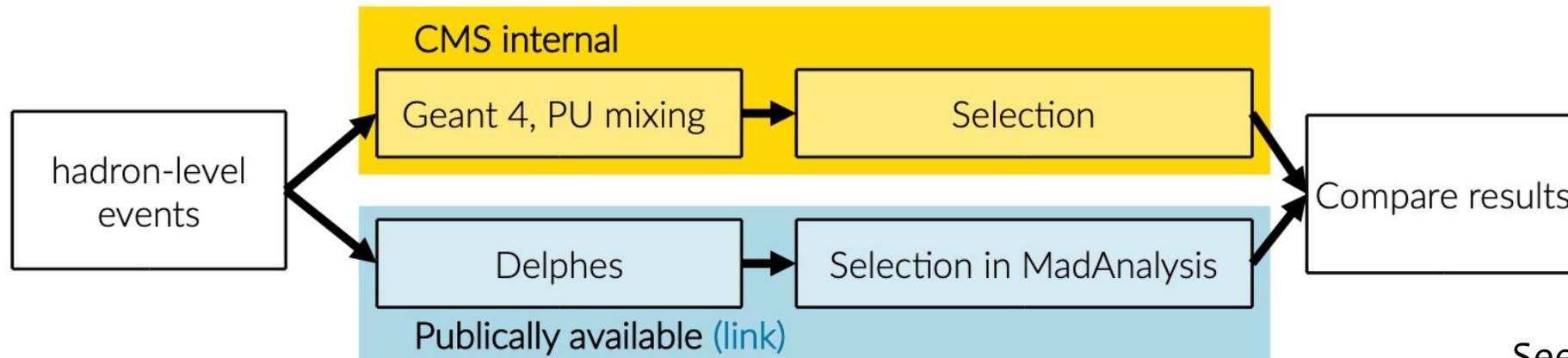
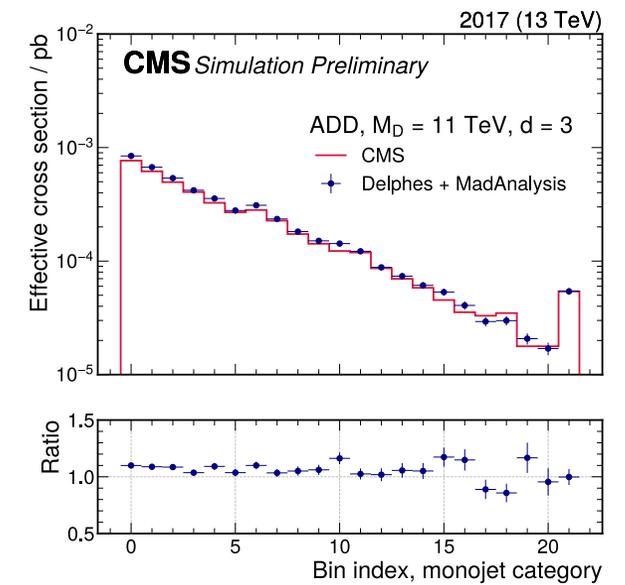
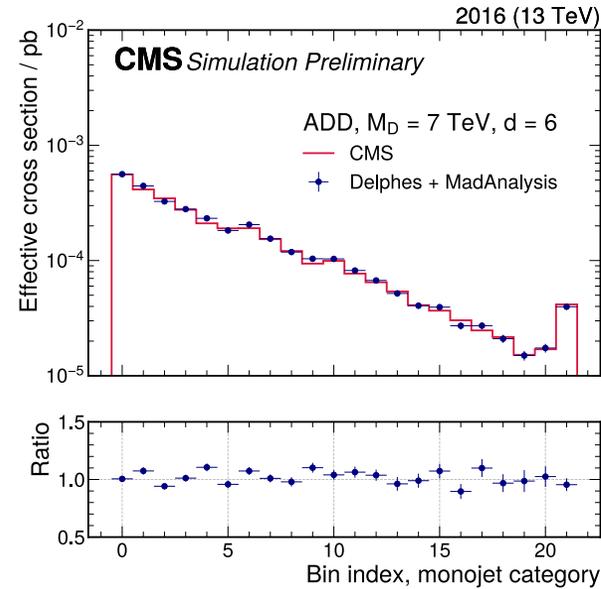
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$N_{jet} \geq 2$	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	100.0 $\pm$ 0.1	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
$H_T > 300$	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	100.0 $\pm$ 0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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NoIsoPhotons	65.7 $\pm$ 0.5	73.4 $\pm$ 0.9	72.5 $\pm$ 0.5	9.38	-1.24	1.0	1.1	2.8
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# Example from CMS (EXO-20-004)

“Search for new particles in events with energetic jets and large missing transverse momentum in proton-proton collisions at 13 TeV” – Full Run-2 data update

## [HepData entry](#)

- Signal templates & cutflows
- Simplified likelihood inputs
- MC Generator configs for various signals + [MadAnalysis](#) implementation



See [RAMP talk by A. Albert](#)

# Example from ATLAS ([SUSY-2018-22](#))

“Search for squarks and gluinos in final states with jets and missing transverse momentum using 139/fb of  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV  $p p$  collision data with the ATLAS detector”

[HepData](#) entry

- Full likelihood model
- Analysis snippet codes
- [XML for evaluating BDT weights](#)

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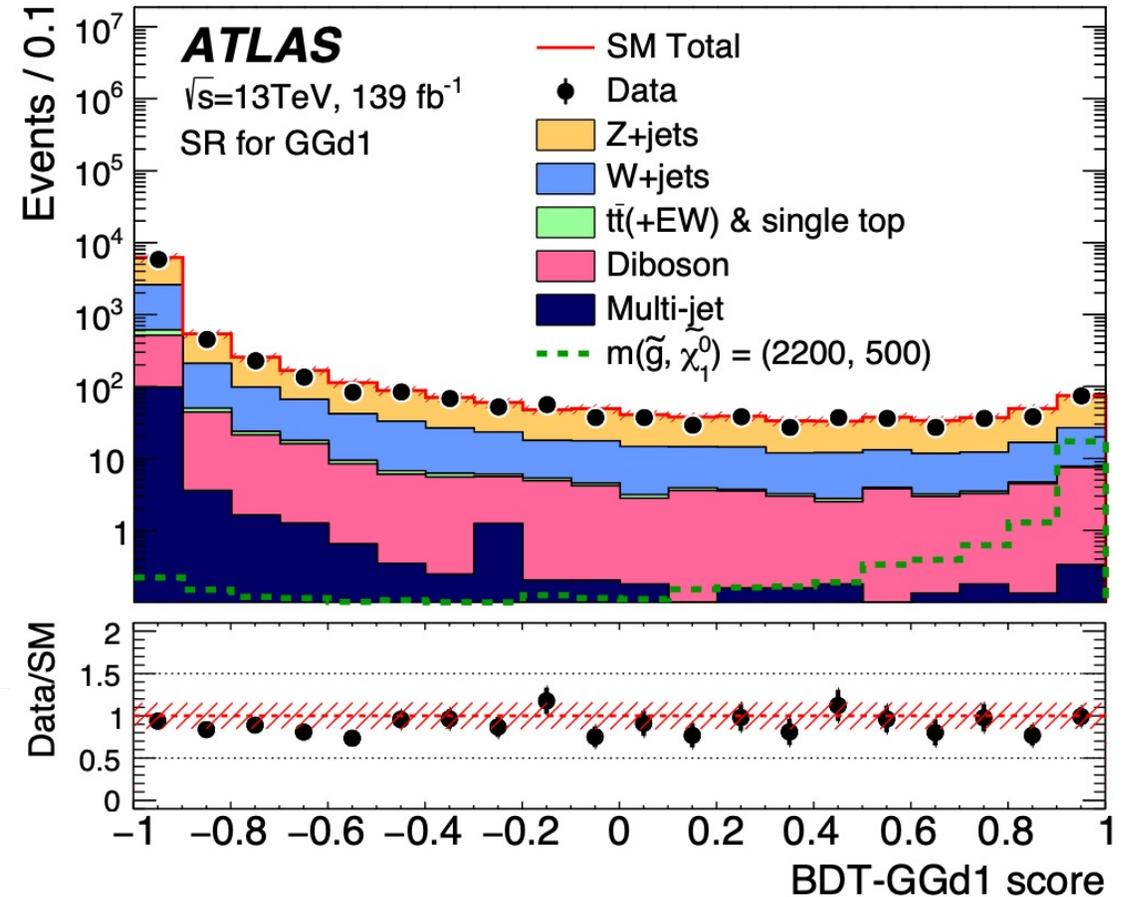
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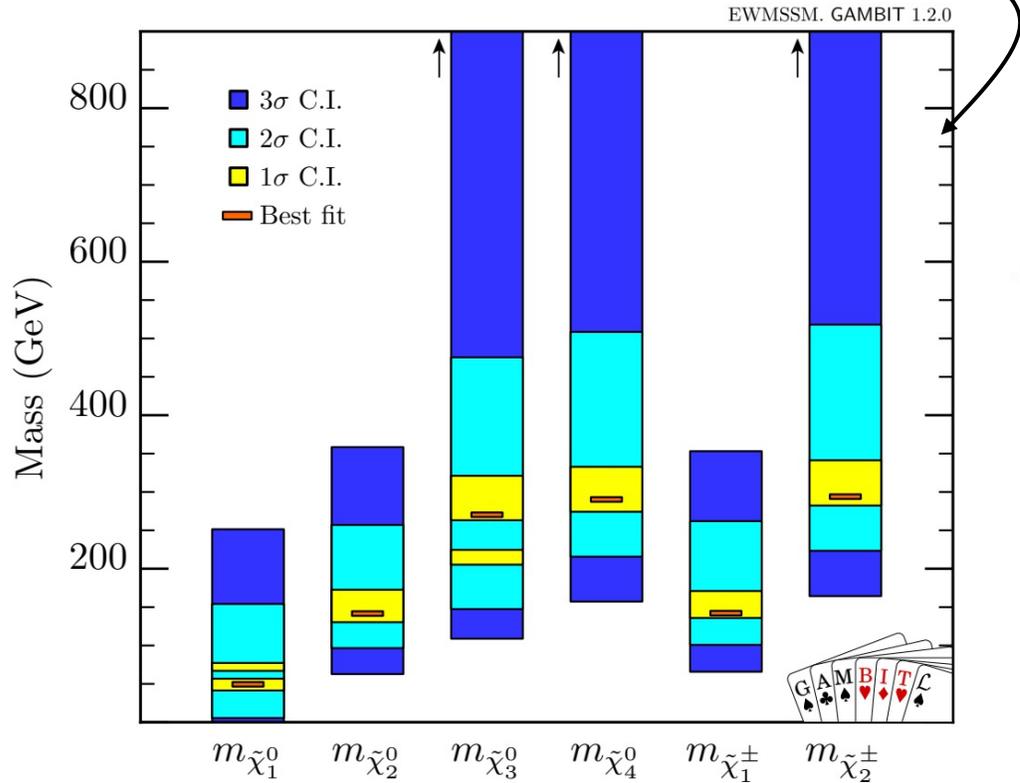
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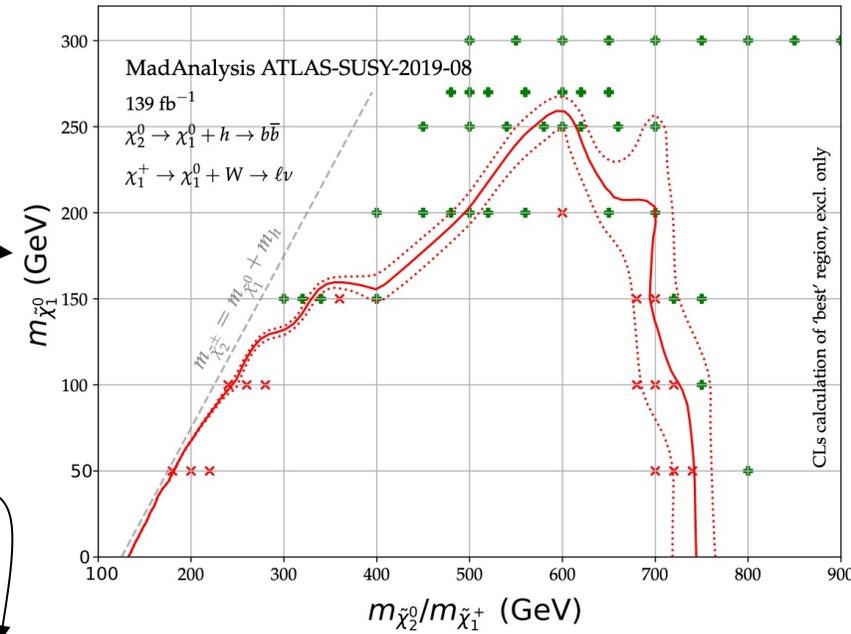
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LHC+LEP constraints on neutralino/charginos with [Gambit](#), using combination ATLAS+CMS results (simplified likelihood where available)

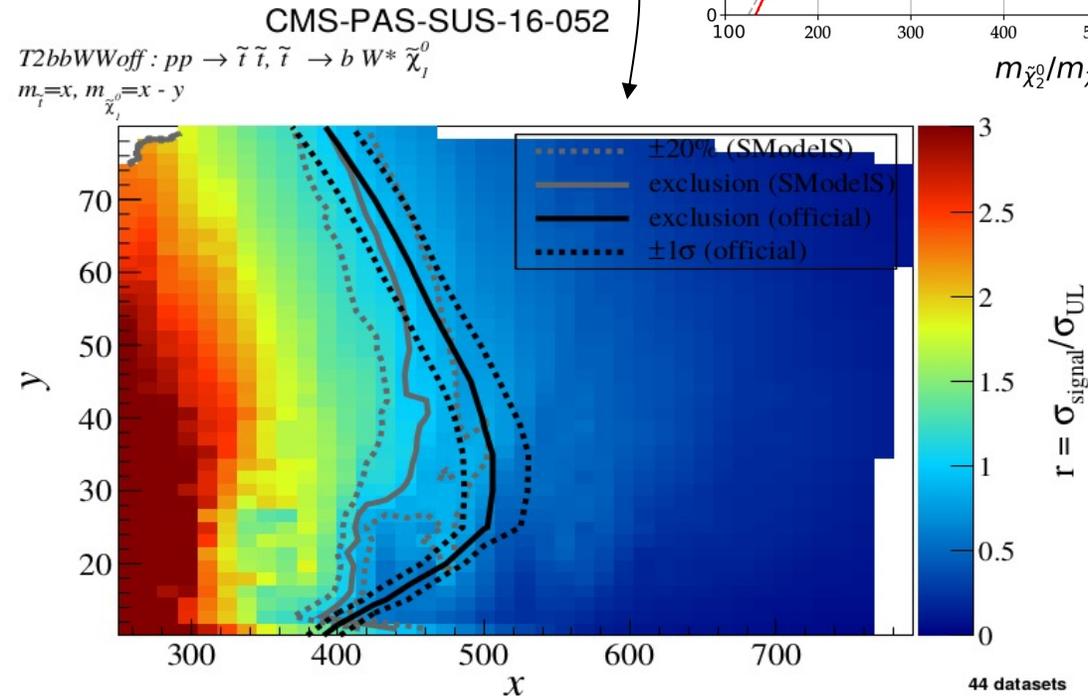


More studies on use of full/simplified likelihoods in [LesHouches19 report](#)

SUSY exclusions using full (ATLAS) likelihoods in [MadAnalysis5](#)



SUSY exclusion contours in [SModelS](#) using (linear) simplified (CMS) likelihood



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11 DECEMBER, 2020



Data storage solutions at the CERN data centre (Image: CERN)

<https://home.cern/news/press-release/knowledge-sharing/cern-announces-new-open-data-policy-support-open-science>

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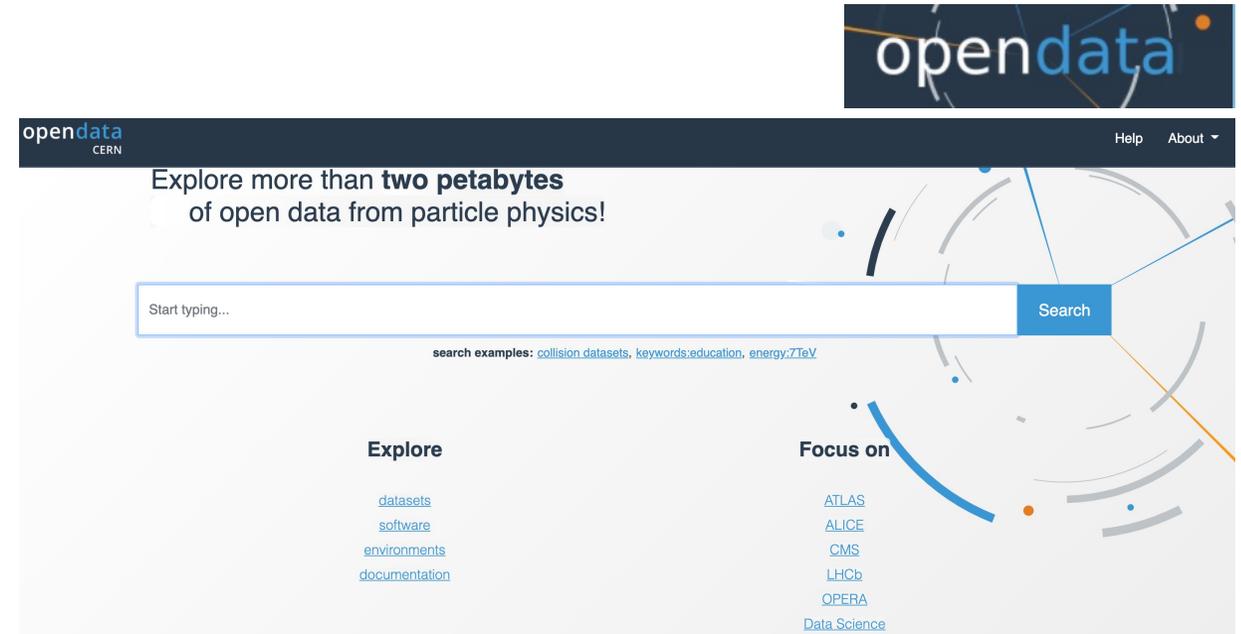
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Larger efforts to preserve data and analysis workflows are underway at the LHC experiments ...



Software / environments preserved via containers (docker)

Large scale analysis possible via

- [CMS analysis in the cloud](#)
- [Reana](#)



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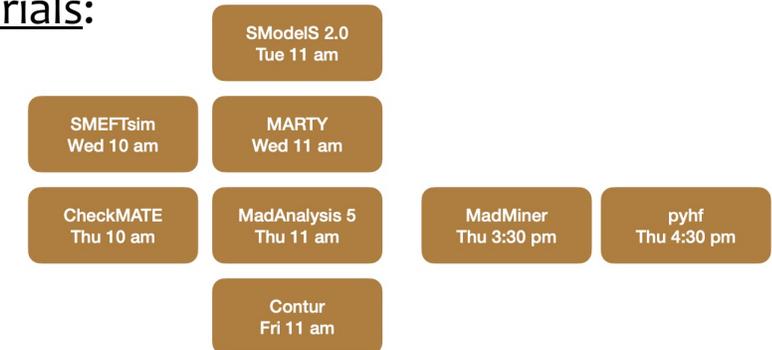
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latest workshop:

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/982553/>

Tutorials:



New series for ECRs to showcase re-interpretable analyses

→ <https://indico.cern.ch/category/14155/>

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# Thanks!



# HepData for published likelihoods

Search for bottom-squark pair production with the ATLAS detector in final states containing Higgs bosons,  $b$ -jets and missing transverse momentum

<https://www.hepdata.net/record/ins1748602>

HEPData Search

Search for displaced leptons in  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV  $pp$  collisions with the ATLAS detector

The ATLAS collaboration

Aad, Georges , Abbott, Brad , Abbott, Dale Charles , Abed Abud, Adam , Abeling, Kira , Abhayasingh, Deshan Kavishka , Abidi, Syed Haider , Abouzeid, Ossama , Abraham, Nicola , Abramowicz, Halina

CERN-EP-2020-205, 2020.

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INSPIRE Resources

Abstract

A search for charged leptons with large impact parameters using  $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV  $pp$  collision data from the ATLAS detector at the LHC is presented, addressing a long-standing gap in coverage of possible new physics signatures. Results are consistent with the background prediction. This search provides unique sensitivity to long-lived scalar supersymmetric lepton-partners (sleptons). For lifetimes of 0.1 ns, selectron, smuon and stau masses up to 720 GeV, 680 GeV, and 340 GeV are respectively excluded at 95% confidence level, drastically improving on the previous best limits from LEP.

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Expected 95% CL exclusion sensitivity. The limit is displayed in the lifetime vs.  $m(\tilde{L})$  plane in SR- $ee$  targeting smuon production...

Observed stau limits

Figure aux5

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Expected LH stau limits

Figure aux6

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Observed 95% CL exclusion sensitivity. The limit is displayed in the lifetime vs.  $m(\tilde{\tau}_1)$  plane, where  $\tilde{\tau}_1$  is the pure-state...

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Cutflow SR-ee

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<https://www.hepdata.net>

Cite JSON

Cutflow for SR- $ee$  for 5 representative signal points. For the following  $\tilde{e}$  mass and lifetime points, the number of Monte Carlo events generated are: 24,000 for (100 GeV, 0.01 ns), 16,000 for (300 GeV, 1 ns), and 12,000 for (500 GeV, 0.1 ns). For the  $\tilde{\tau}$  mass and lifetime points, the number of Monte Carlo events generated are: 30,000 for (200 GeV, 0.1 ns), and 104,000 for (300 GeV, 0.1 ns).

cmenergies

13000

observables

SUSY Supersymmetry

Proton-Proton Scattering Electroweak

R parity violating

reactions

PP  $\rightarrow$  SLEPTON SLEPTON

Visualize

	$\tilde{e}$ (mass, lifetime) = (100 GeV, 0.01 ns)	$\tilde{e}$ (mass, lifetime) = (300 GeV, 1 ns)	$\tilde{e}$ (mass, lifetime) = (500 GeV, 0.1 ns)	$\tilde{\tau}$ (mass, lifetime) = (200 GeV, 0.1 ns)	$\tilde{\tau}$ (mass, lifetime) = (300 GeV, 0.1 ns)
initial number of events ( $L \times \sigma$ )	50830.0	870.0	93.6	4210.0	870.0
pass trigger and at least 2 baseline leptons	736.0	238.0	66.3	37.1	15.7
2 leading	393.0	143.0	40.5	18.1	7.84

Additional Publication Resources

filter

Common Resources 5

Cutflow SR-ee 2

Cutflow SR-em 2

Cutflow SR-mm 2

co-NLSP upper limit on cross section 2

selectron upper limit on cross section 2

LH selectron upper limit on cross section 2

RH selectron upper limit on cross section 2

smuon upper limit on cross section 2

LH smuon upper limit on cross section 2

External Link

Webpage with all figures and tables

View Resource

zip File

Archive of full likelihoods in the HistFactory JSON format described in SUSY-2018-14. The background-only fit is found in the file named 'BkgOnly.json'. A set of patches for various signal points is provided in the files '\*patchset.json'

Download

Python File

Code snippet with the implementation of the analysis selection at truth-level

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dat File

SHLA file for selectron+smuon signal

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dat File

# Binned likelihood parameterization in pyHF

$$f(\mathbf{n}, \mathbf{a} | \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) = \underbrace{\prod_{c \in \text{channels}} \prod_{b \in \text{bins}_c} \text{Pois}(n_{cb} | \nu_{cb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}))}_{\text{Simultaneous measurement of multiple channels}} \underbrace{\prod_{\boldsymbol{\chi} \in \boldsymbol{\chi}} c_{\boldsymbol{\chi}}(\mathbf{a}_{\boldsymbol{\chi}} | \boldsymbol{\chi})}_{\text{constraint terms for "auxiliary measurements"}},$$

- Analysis-specific model terms describing channels with observed events  $n_{cb}$  given expected events  $\nu_{cb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi})$ .
- Analysis-independent constraint terms for constrained parameters  $\boldsymbol{\chi}$ .

$$\nu_{cb}(\boldsymbol{\phi}) = \sum_{s \in \text{samples}} \nu_{scb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) = \sum_{s \in \text{samples}} \underbrace{\left( \prod_{\boldsymbol{\kappa} \in \boldsymbol{\kappa}} \kappa_{scb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) \right)}_{\text{multiplicative modifiers}} \left( \nu_{scb}^0(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi}) + \underbrace{\sum_{\boldsymbol{\Delta} \in \boldsymbol{\Delta}} \Delta_{scb}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\chi})}_{\text{additive modifiers}} \right)$$

- Sample rates  $\nu_{scb}$  with nominal rate  $\nu_{scb}^0$
- Additive and multiplicative rate modifiers  $\boldsymbol{\Delta}(\boldsymbol{\phi})$  and  $\boldsymbol{\kappa}(\boldsymbol{\phi})$

# Simplified likelihood log-likelihood

$$\ln(L_S(\mu, \boldsymbol{\theta})\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta})) = \sum_I^P \left[ n_I^{\text{obs}} \ln(\mu n_{s,I} + n_{b,I}(\boldsymbol{\theta})) - (\mu n_{s,I} + n_{b,I}(\boldsymbol{\theta})) - n_I^{\text{obs}}! \right] - \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\theta}^T \boldsymbol{\rho}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\theta} - \frac{P}{2} \ln 2\pi \quad (\text{B.1})$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L_S}{\partial \mu} = \sum_I^P \left( \frac{n_I^{\text{obs}}}{\mu n_{s,I} + n_{b,I}(\boldsymbol{\theta})} - 1 \right) \cdot n_{s,I} \quad (\text{B.2})$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L_S}{\partial \theta_A} = \left( \frac{n_A^{\text{obs}}}{\mu n_{s,A} + n_{b,A}(\boldsymbol{\theta})} - 1 \right) \cdot (b_A + 2c_A \theta_A) - \sum_I^P \rho_{AI}^{-1} \theta_I, \quad (\text{B.3})$$

# Analytic simplified likelihood coefficients

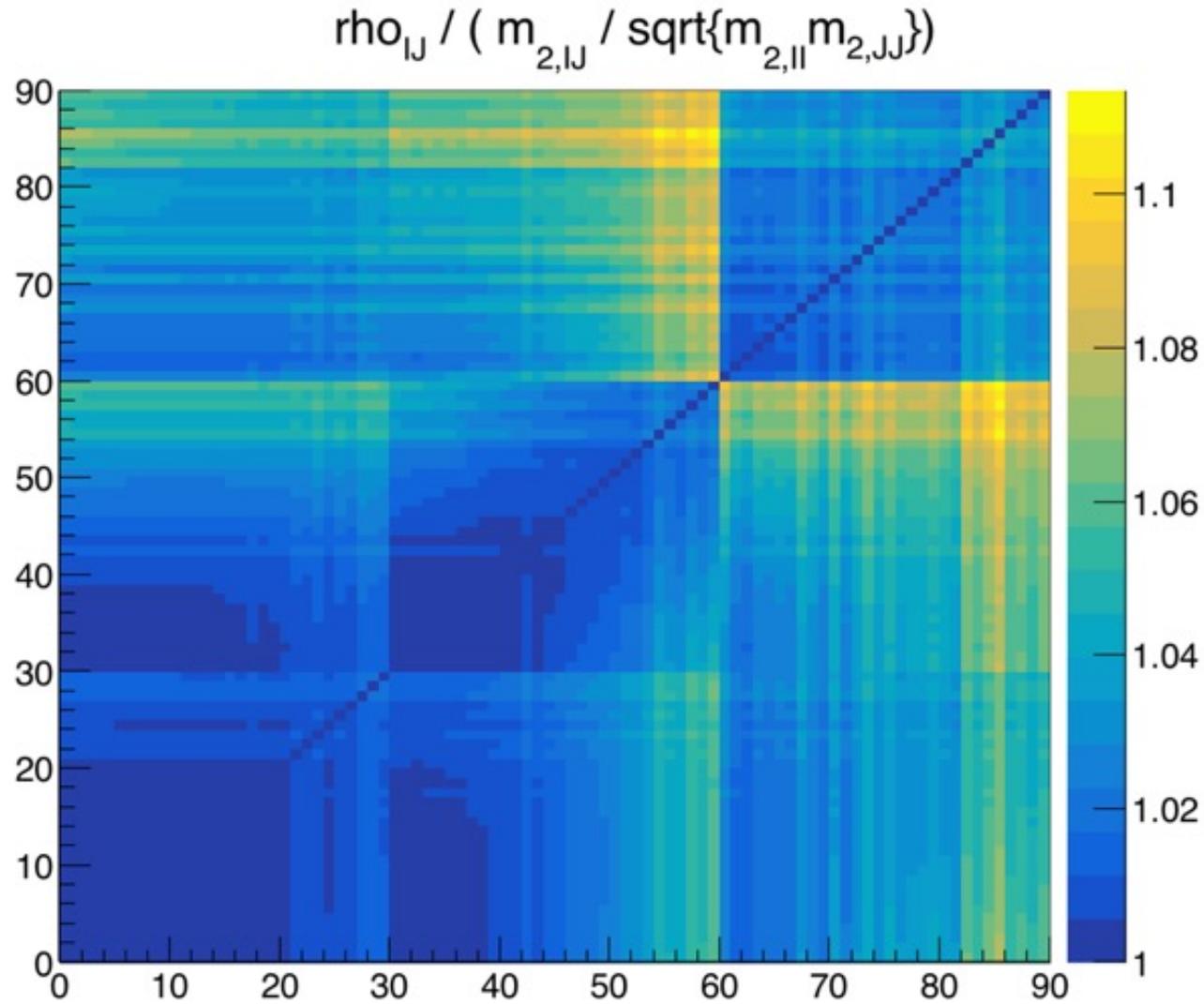
$$a_I = n_I^0 \left( 1 + \text{tr } \Delta_{2,I} - \frac{1}{6} \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i (\Delta_{1,I,i})^3 + O(\Delta^4) \right),$$

$$b_I = a_I \left( \Delta_{1,I}^T \cdot \Delta_{1,I} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i \Delta_{1,I,i} \Delta_{2,I,i} + O(\Delta^4) \right)^{1/2},$$

$$\rho_{IJ} = \frac{a_I a_J}{b_I b_J} \left( \Delta_{1,I}^T \cdot \Delta_{1,J} + \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i (\Delta_{1,I,i} \Delta_{2,J,i} + \Delta_{1,J,i} \Delta_{2,I,i}) \right) + O(\Delta^4),$$

$$c_I = \frac{a_I}{6} \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i (\Delta_{1,i})^3 + O(\Delta^4),$$

# Corrections to correlations



NSL definition of correlation modified due to skew term

Ratio of  $\rho_{IJ}$  to linear correlation shows up to 15% correction in toy model

# Unfolded measurements for BSM searches

Measurements of SM processes with same final state as BSM signature useful for reinterpretation

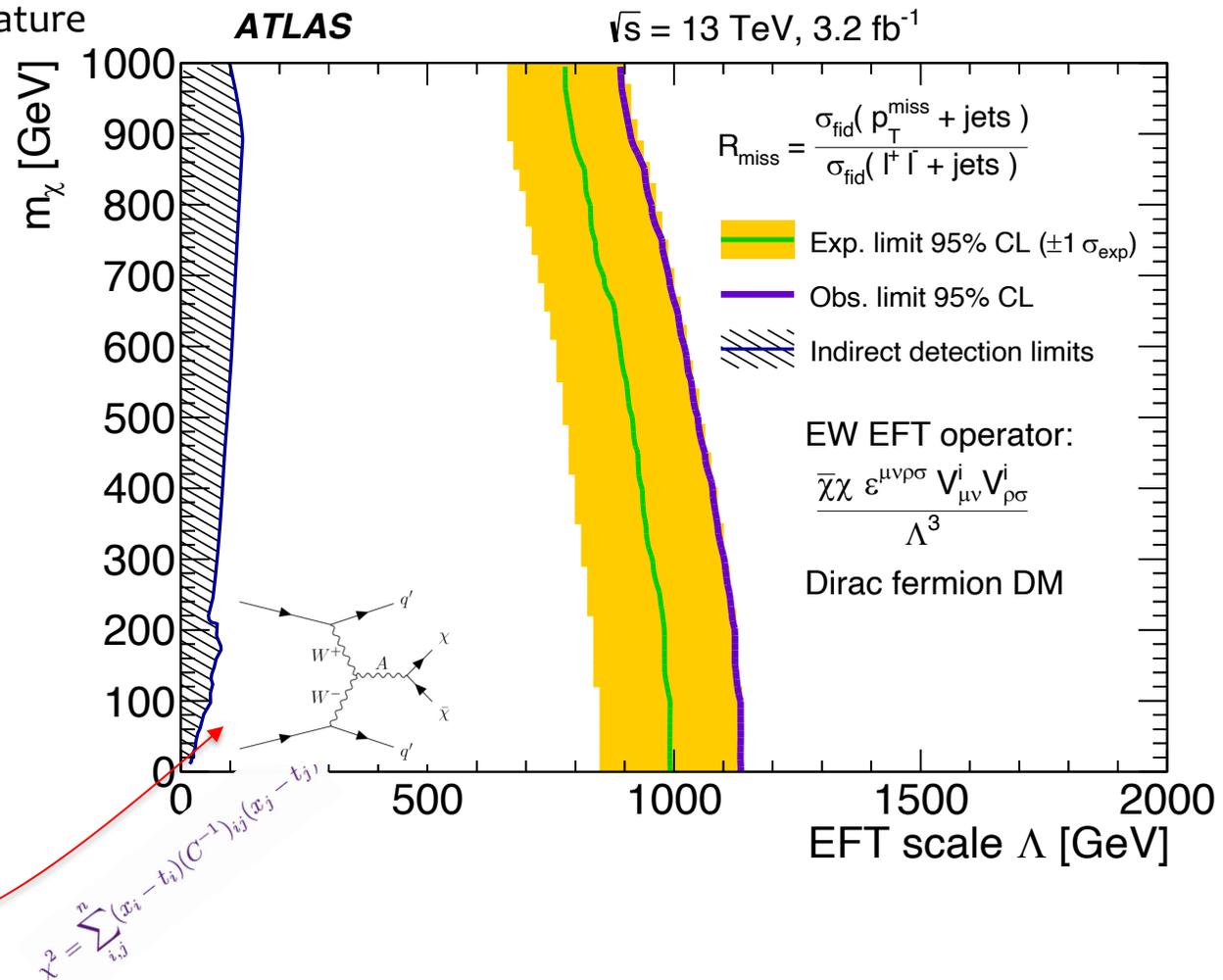
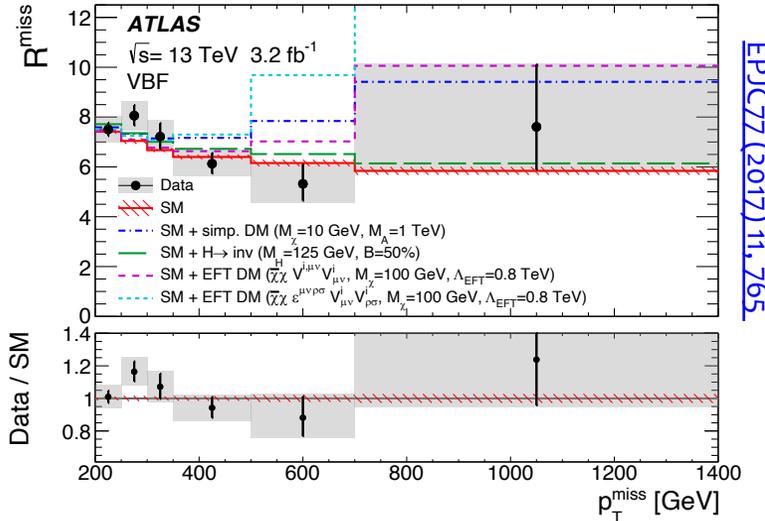
D. Price

$$R_{\text{miss}} = \frac{\sigma(\cancel{p}_T + \text{jets})}{\sigma(Z(\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-) + \text{jets})} = \frac{1}{C_Z} \frac{N(\cancel{p}_T + \text{jets})}{N(Z(\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-) + \text{jets})}$$

Number of background-subtracted events in MET+jets signal region

Correction factor accounting for detector resolution and efficiency

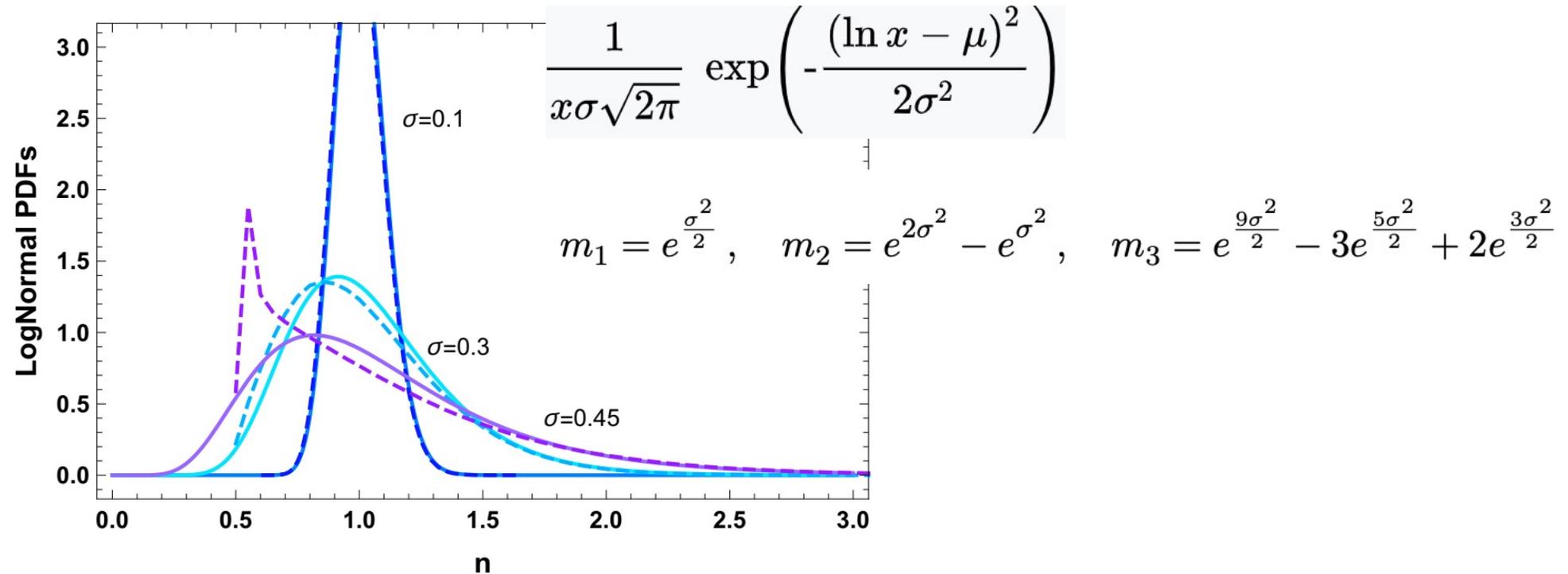
Number of background-subtracted events in  $\ell^+\ell^-$ +jets signal region



Correlations **between bins and different observables** (can be estimated using bootstrapping).

Unfolded measurements used outside of experiments (eg [Contur](#))

# SL approximation for a log-normal

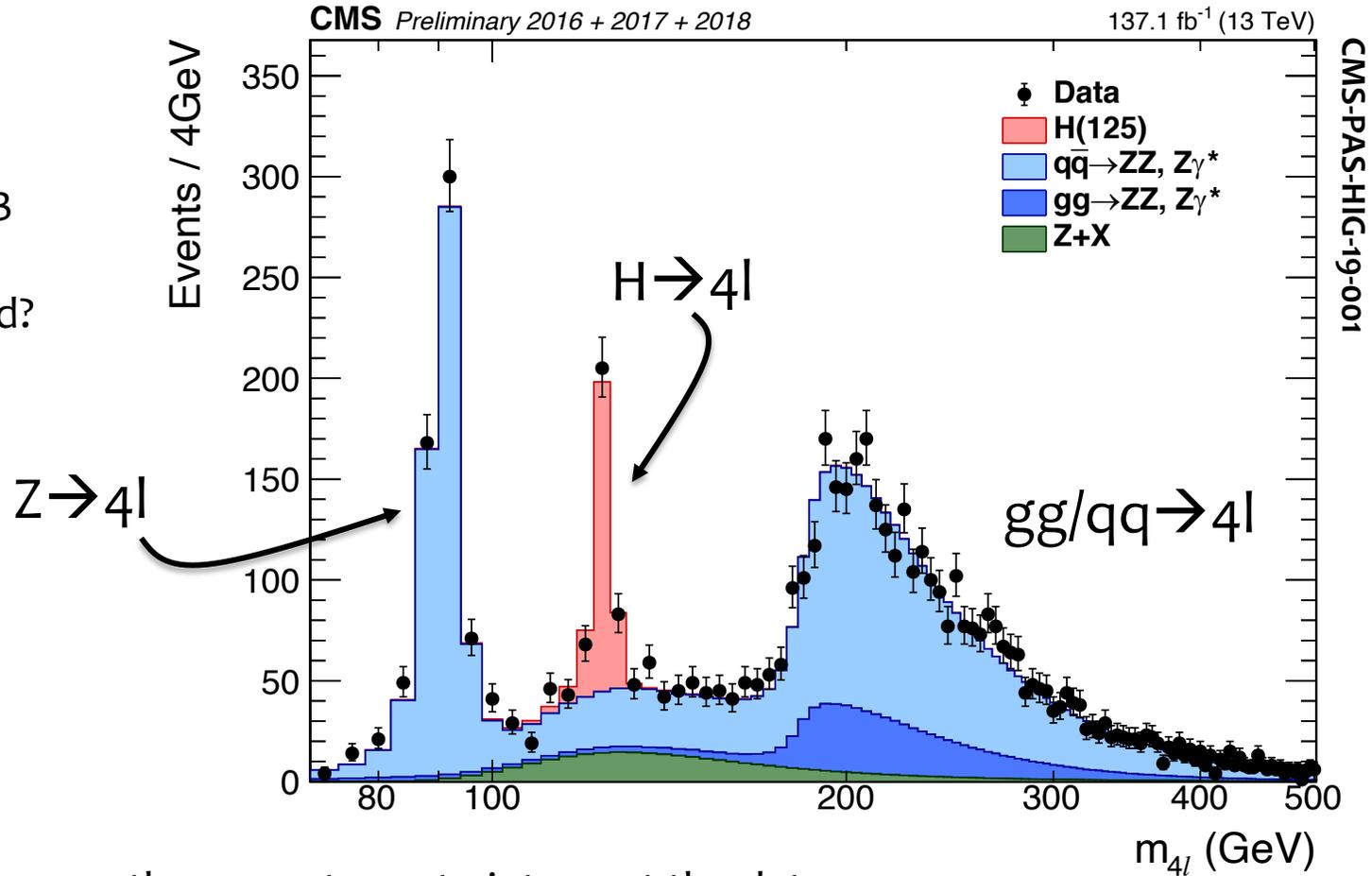


**Figure 1.** The log normal PDFs and corresponding normal approximations for  $\sigma = 0.1, 0.3$  and  $0.45$  are shown in blue, cyan and purple respectively. Solid curves show the true distributions, dashed curves show the approximate distributions.

# Signal or background

In measurements we are used to thinking of **Signal** / **Background**

How to account for S-B interference if already background subtracted?

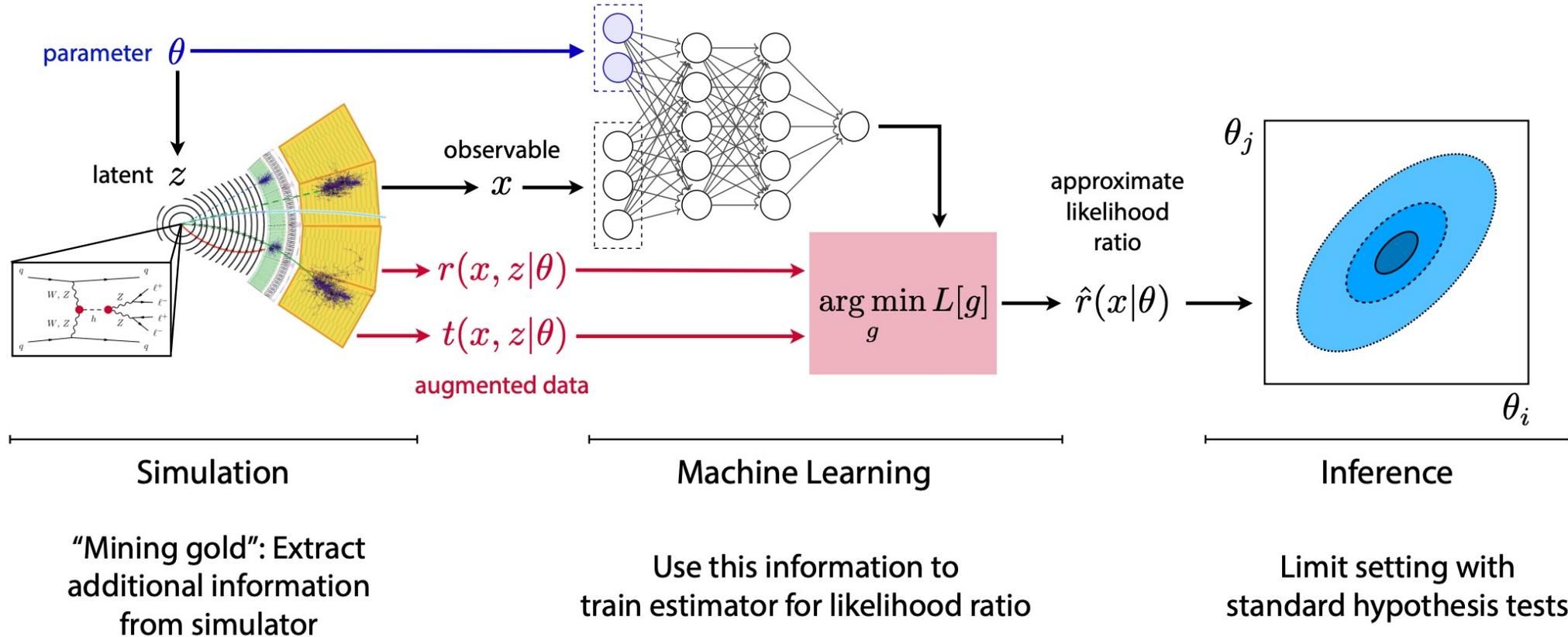


Full  $pp \rightarrow 4l$  combinations are the correct way to interpret the data  
→ Need to consider *all* contributions together

e.g unfolded

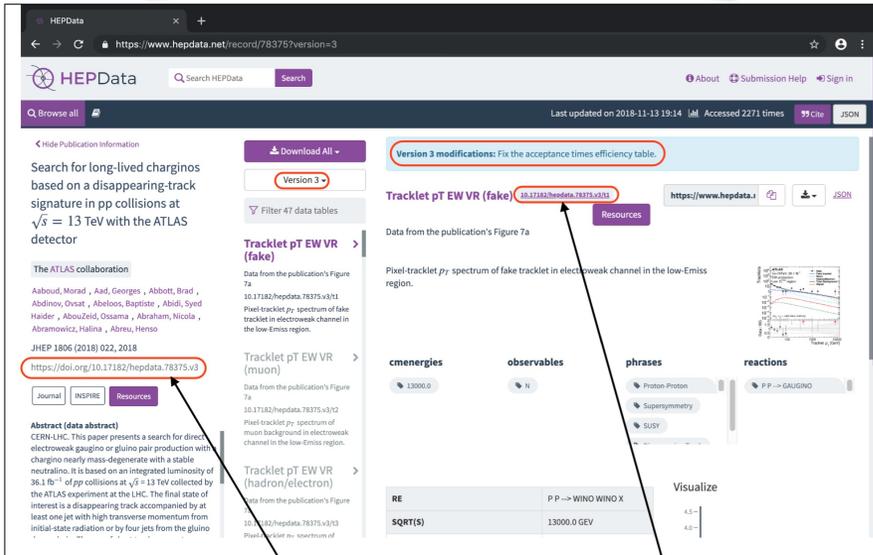
# Automating the workflow!

The future @ LHC could be to perform optimal analyses and inference that can be packaged up and preserved in totality!



Sourced from <https://github.com/diana-hep/madminer>.

Excellent tutorial by K. Cramner: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/982553/contributions/4220018/attachments/2185603/3706682/MadMiner-tutorial-reinterp-2021.pdf>



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### Supports:

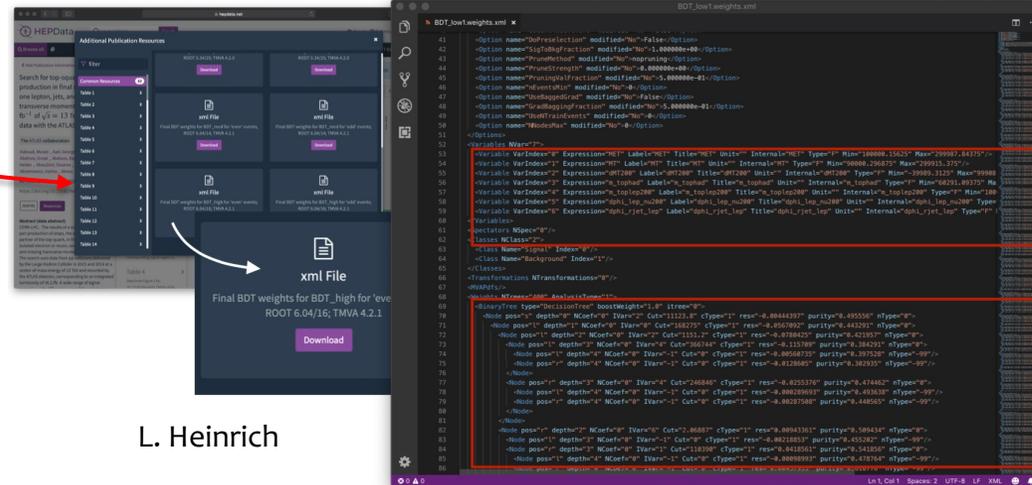
- Tabulated data (yields, exclusion/likelihood contours)
- Efficiency maps
- Covariance matrices (SL)
- Error (sources) breakdowns
- Code snippets
  - C++ codes with analysis routines  
→ eg for use with [CheckMate](#), [Rivet](#), [MadAnalysis](#) ...

- DOIs minted for whole record and each table via [DataCite](#).

XML for use with ML routines (in TMVA)

Future development: support for Neural Networks

- LWTNN: <https://github.com/lwttn/lwttn>
- ONNX: <https://onnx.ai>



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# Re-interpretation frameworks

Writeup contains a (non-exhaustive) list of existing re-interpretation frameworks for searches at the LHC

- Further details about each workflow, describing type of experimental input and key outputs given in report
- Typically our searches can be used for at least one of them, but the more information we provide, the more of them can use it!

Package	Refs.	Experimental inputs	Event input	Detector simulation	Inference/Output
<a href="#">GAMBIT</a> (ColliderBit)	12, 99–101	Cut-flows, analysis logic, object-level efficiency functions, observed event numbers in signal regions, background covariance matrices	particle	BuckFast (smearing & efficiencies)	Detector-level distributions, signal region efficiencies, simplified likelihood for calculating exclusion limits/contours
<a href="#">CheckMATE</a>	95, 96	Cut-flows, analysis logic, object-level efficiency functions, observed event numbers in signal regions	particle, parton	Delphes	Detector-level distributions, signal region efficiencies, ratio of predicted to excluded cross-section
<a href="#">MadAnalysis 5</a>	17–19, 97, 98	Cut-flows, analysis logic, object-level efficiency functions, observed event numbers in signal regions, background covariance matrices, JSON likelihoods	particle	Delphes; customisable smearing	Detector-level distributions, signal region efficiencies, $1 - CL_s$ values
<a href="#">Rivet</a>	48, 49	Cut-flows, analysis logic, detector smearing & efficiency functions	particle	Customisable smearing	Truth/detector-level distributions
<a href="#">Contur</a>	61	Unfolded (particle-level) differential cross-sections via Rivet	particle	N/A	Exclusion contours in BSM model space
ADL interpreters: <a href="#">adl2tnm</a> , <a href="#">CutLang</a>	20, 53, 54	analysis logic, external functions of complex variables, object or event level efficiencies	particle	External (Delphes, CMS and ATLAS simulations)	cutflows, event-by-event weights per region, histograms
<a href="#">Recast</a>	8	Experiment-specific formats	parton	Experiment-owned (fast) simulation	$p$ -values, upper limits, likelihood values

# Implementing analyses validation

Great effort to validate analyses implemented in MA5

## CMS analyses, 13 TeV ¶

Analysis	Short Description	Implemented by	Code	Validation note	Version
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-SUS-16-033</a>	Supersymmetry in the multijet plus missing energy channel (35.9 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	F. Ambrogi and J. Sonneveld	⇒ <a href="#">Inspire</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.7/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-SUS-16-039</a>	Electroweakinos in the SS2L, 3L and 4L channels (35.9 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	B. Fuks and S. Mondal	⇒ <a href="#">Inspire</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.7/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-SUS-16-048</a>	Compressed electroweakinos with soft leptons (35.9 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	B. Fuks J.Y. Araz	⇒ <a href="#">MA5 dataverse</a> ⇒ <a href="#">MA5 dataverse</a>	⇒ <a href="#">Sec. 19 in 2002.12220</a> ⇒ <a href="#">Sec. 5.3 in 2006.09387</a>	v1.8/Delphes3 v1.8/SFS
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-SUS-16-052</a>	SUSY in the 1l + jets channel (36 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	D. Sengupta	⇒ <a href="#">Inspire</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.6/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-SUS-17-001</a>	Stops in the OS dilepton mode (35.9 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	S.-M. Choi, S. Jeong, D.-W. Kang <i>et al.</i>	⇒ <a href="#">Inspire</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.6/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-SUS-19-006</a>	SUSY in the HT/missing HT channel (137 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	M. Mrowietz, S. Bein, J. Sonneveld	⇒ <a href="#">MA5 dataverse</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.8/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-EXO-16-010</a>	Mono-Z-boson (2.3 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	B. Fuks	⇒ <a href="#">Inspire</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.6/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-EXO-16-012</a>	Mono-Higgs (2.3 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	S. Ahn, J. Park, W. Zhang	⇒ <a href="#">Inspire</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.6/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-EXO-16-022</a>	Long-lived leptons (2.6 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	J. Chang	⇒ <a href="#">Inspire</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.7/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-EXO-17-015</a>	Leptoquarks + dark matter in the 1mu+1jet+met channel (77.4 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	A. Jueid and B. Fuks	⇒ <a href="#">MA5 dataverse</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.8/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-EXO-17-030</a>	Pairs of trijet resonances (35.9 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	Y. Kang, J. Kim, J. Choi, S. Yun	⇒ <a href="#">MA5 dataverse</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.8/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-HIG-18-011</a>	Exotic Higgs decay in the 2 muons + 2 b-jet channel via 2 pseudoscalars (35.9 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	J.B. Lee and J. Lee	⇒ <a href="#">MA5 dataverse</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.8/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-TOP-17-009</a>	SM four-top analysis (35.9 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	L. Darmé and B. Fuks	⇒ <a href="#">Inspire</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.7/Delphes3
⇒ <a href="#">CMS-TOP-18-003</a>	SM four-top analysis (137 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	L. Darmé and B. Fuks	⇒ <a href="#">MA5 dataverse</a>	⇒ <a href="#">PDF</a>	v1.8/Delphes3

CMS Delphes 3 parametrisation cards for ⇒ [EXO-16-010](#) and [SUS-17-001](#), ⇒ [EXO-16-012](#), ⇒ [EXO-16-022](#), ⇒ [EXO-17-015](#), ⇒ [EXO-17-030](#), ⇒ [SUS-16-039](#), ⇒ [SUS-16-041](#), ⇒ [SUS-16-052](#), ⇒ [SUS-19-006](#), ⇒ [HIG-18-011](#), ⇒ [TOP-17-009](#) and ⇒ [TOP-18-003](#).

The SFS detector parametrisations can be obtained from the MA5 dataverse links, together with the corresponding analysis codes.

## A good example - $|V_{cb}|$

- Early 2017, Belle measures  $|V_{cb}|$ . [BELLE-CONF-1612](#)

**Precise determination of the CKM matrix element  $|V_{cb}|$  with  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$  decays with hadronic tagging at Belle**

The Belle Collaboration: A. Abdesselam, I. Adachi, K. Adamczyk, H. Aihara, S. Al Said, K. Arinstein, Y. Arita, D. M. Asner, T. Aso, H. Atmacan, V. Aulchenko, T. Aushev, R. Ayad, T. Aziz, V. Babu, I. Badhrees, S. Bahinipati, A. M. Bakich, A. Bala, Y. Ban, V. Bansal, E. Barberio, M. Barrett, W. Bartel, A. Bay, P. Behera, M. Belhorn, K. Belous, M. Berger, F. U. Bernlochner, D. Besson, V. Bhardwaj, B. Bhuyan, J. Biswal, T. Bloomfield, S. Blyth, A. Bobrov, A. Bondar, G. Bonvicini, C. Bookwalter, C. Boulahouache, A. Bozek, M. Bračko, N. Braun, F. Breibeck, J. Brodzicka, T. E. Browder, E. Waheed, D. Cervenkov, M.-C. Chang, P. Chang, Y. Chao, V. Chekelian, A. Chen, K.-F. Chen, P. Chen, B. G. Cheon, K. Chilikin, R. Chistov, K. Cho, V. Chobanova, S.-K. Choi, Y. Choi, D. Cinabro, J. Crnkovic, J. Dalseno, M. Danilov, N. Dash, S. Di Carlo, J. Dingfelder, Z. Doležal, D. Dosssett, Z. Drásal, A. Drutskoy, S. Dubey, D. Dutta, K. Dutta, S. Eidelman, D. Epifanov, S. Falke, H. Farhat, J. E. Fast, M. Feindt, T. Ferber, A. Frey, O. Frost, B. G. Fulsom, V. Gaur, N. Gabyshev, S. Ganguly, A. Garmash, M. Gelb, J. Gemmler, D. Getzkow, R. Gillard, F. Giordano, R. Glattauer, Y. M. Goh, P. Goldenzweig, B. Golob et al. (363 additional authors not shown)

(Submitted on 6 Feb 2017 (v1), last revised 14 Feb 2017 (this version, v2))

The precise determination of the CKM matrix element  $|V_{cb}|$  is important for carrying out tests of the flavour sector of the Standard Model. In this article we present a preliminary analysis of the  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$  decay mode and its charge conjugate, selected in events that contain a fully reconstructed  $B$ -meson, using 772 million  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$  events recorded by the Belle detector at KEKB. Unfolded differential decay rates of four kinematic variables fully describing the  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$  decay in the  $B$ -meson rest frame are presented. We measure the total branching fraction  $B(\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell) = (4.95 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.22) \times 10^{-2}$ , where the errors are statistical and systematic respectively. The value of  $|V_{cb}|$  is determined to be  $(37.4 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-3}$ . Both results are in good agreement with current world averages.

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}(B \rightarrow D\ell\nu) \propto G_F^2 |V_{cb}|^2 f(q^2)^2$$

↑ EW                      ↑ QCD

Inspired by P. Owen @ Reinterp2021

- Measurement and unfolded data published.
- ~6 weeks later, two papers posted, fitting that data with different parameterisation of the form factors.

**fresh look at the determination of  $|V_{cb}|$  from  $B \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell \bar{\nu}$**

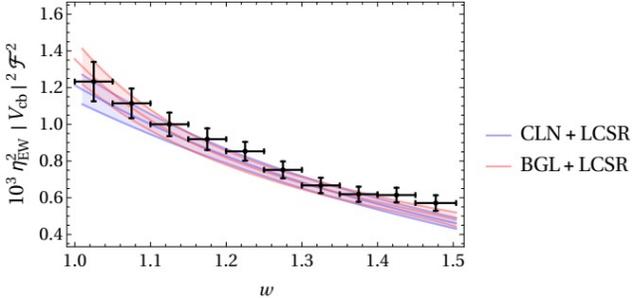
by [Paolo Gambino, Stefan Schacht](#)  
Submitted on 17 Mar 2017 (v1), last revised 26 Apr 2017 (this version, v2)

We use recent Belle results on  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell$  decays to extract the CKM element  $|V_{cb}|$  with two different but well-founded parameterizations of the form factors. We show that the CLN and BGL parameterizations lead to quite different results for  $|V_{cb}|$  and provide a simple explanation of this unexpected behaviour. A long lasting discrepancy between the inclusive and exclusive determinations of  $|V_{cb}|$  may have to be thoroughly reconsidered.

**Model-Independent Extraction of  $|V_{cb}|$  from  $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell \bar{\nu}$**

by [Amin Grinstein, Andrew Kobach](#)  
Submitted on 23 Mar 2017 (v1), last revised 7 Jun 2017 (this version, v2)

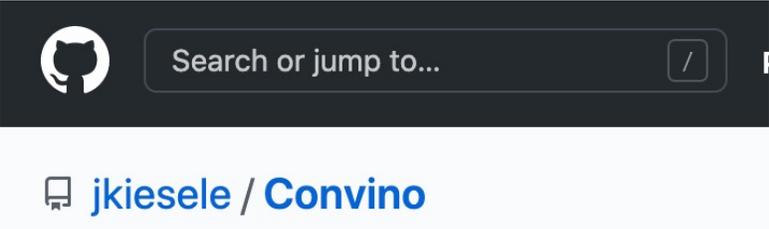
We fit the unfolded data of  $\bar{B}^0 \rightarrow D^{*+} \ell \bar{\nu}$  from the Belle experiment, where  $\ell \equiv e, \mu$ , using a method independent of heavy quark symmetry to extrapolate to zero-recoil and extract the value of  $|V_{cb}|$ . This results in  $|V_{cb}| = (41.9_{-1.9}^{+2.0}) \times 10^{-3}$ , which is robust to changes in the theoretical inputs and very consistent with the value extracted from inclusive semileptonic  $B$  decays.



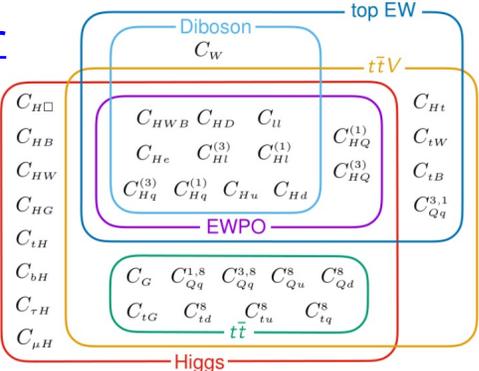
**FF parameterisation much more important than expected, a conclusion not possible without the release of data.**

# Measurements for re-interpretation

Combining unfolded measurements with [Convino](#)



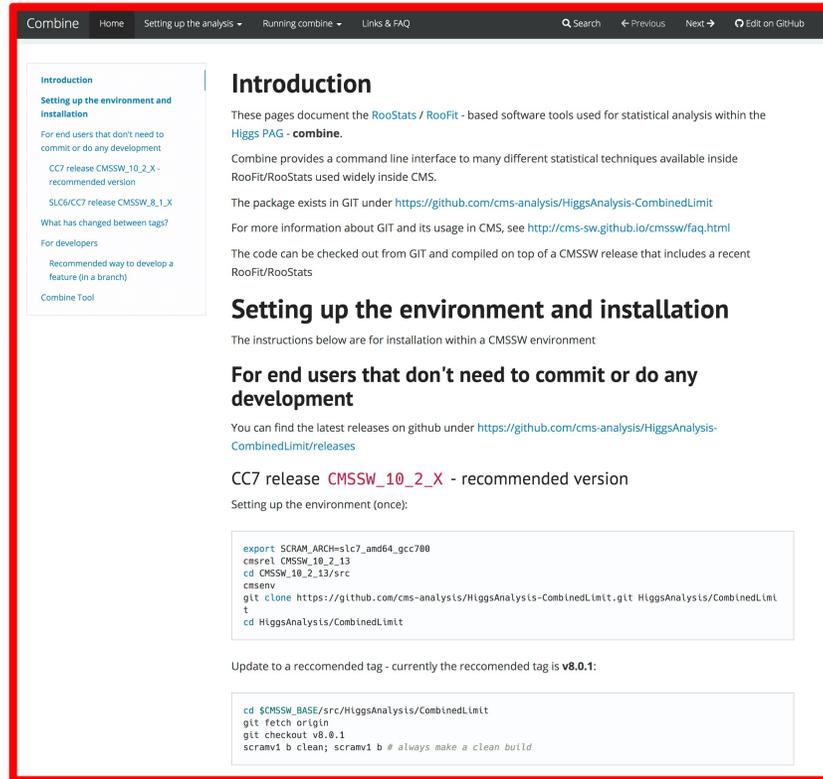
FitMaker



Package	Refs.	Experimental inputs	Model input	Inference/Output
<a href="#">SModels</a>	33, 35, 36	Simplified-model cross-section upper limits and efficiency maps from SUSY searches, background covariance matrices	SLHA or LHE (any BSM model with $Z_2$ -like symmetry)	Ratio of predicted to excluded cross-section, exclusion CL (if efficiency maps are available)
<a href="#">HiggsBounds</a>	90, 91	Model independent (exp. and obs.) 95% CL upper limits and exclusion likelihoods from BSM Higgs searches	masses, widths, cross-sections and BRs (or effective couplings) of all Higgs bosons	Ratio of predicted to excluded cross-section, allowed/excluded at 95% CL, $\chi^2$ for specific searches
<a href="#">ZPEED</a>	92	Observed event numbers in signal regions, background predictions, detector resolution and efficiencies	Model parameters	Likelihood values
<a href="#">DarkCast</a>	93	Simplified-model production mechanism, cross-section upper limits or ratio map of observed to expected cross-sections for dark photon searches	couplings of new gauge bosons to the SM fermions	95% CL exclusion limits on couplings
<a href="#">DarkEFT</a>	104	95% CL exclusion limits on dark sector searches and rare meson decay BRs	effective couplings for 4-fermion operators	95% CL exclusion limits on the effective coupling

Table II. Summary of public frameworks for the reinterpretation of searches and measurements (continued). The columns summarise the major inputs from the experiments used for the reinterpretation, the model inputs, and the principle outputs in terms of performing statistical inference.

# Workhorses in experiments



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## Introduction

These pages document the RooStats / RooFit - based software tools used for statistical analysis within the Higgs PAG - combine.

Combine provides a command line interface to many different statistical techniques available inside RooFit/RooStats used widely inside CMS.

The package exists in GIT under <https://github.com/cms-analysis/HiggsAnalysis-CombinedLimit>

For more information about GIT and its usage in CMS, see <http://cms-sw.github.io/cmsssw/faq.html>

The code can be checked out from GIT and compiled on top of a CMSSW release that includes a recent RooFit/RooStats

## Setting up the environment and installation

The instructions below are for installation within a CMSSW environment

### For end users that don't need to commit or do any development

You can find the latest releases on github under <https://github.com/cms-analysis/HiggsAnalysis-CombinedLimit/releases>

CC7 release **CMSSW\_10\_2\_X** - recommended version

Setting up the environment (once):

```
export SCRAM_ARCH=ic7_and64_gcc700
cmsrel CMSSW_10_2_13
cd CMSSW_10_2_13/src
cmsenv
git clone https://github.com/cms-analysis/HiggsAnalysis-CombinedLimit.git HiggsAnalysis/CombinedLimit
cd HiggsAnalysis/CombinedLimit
```

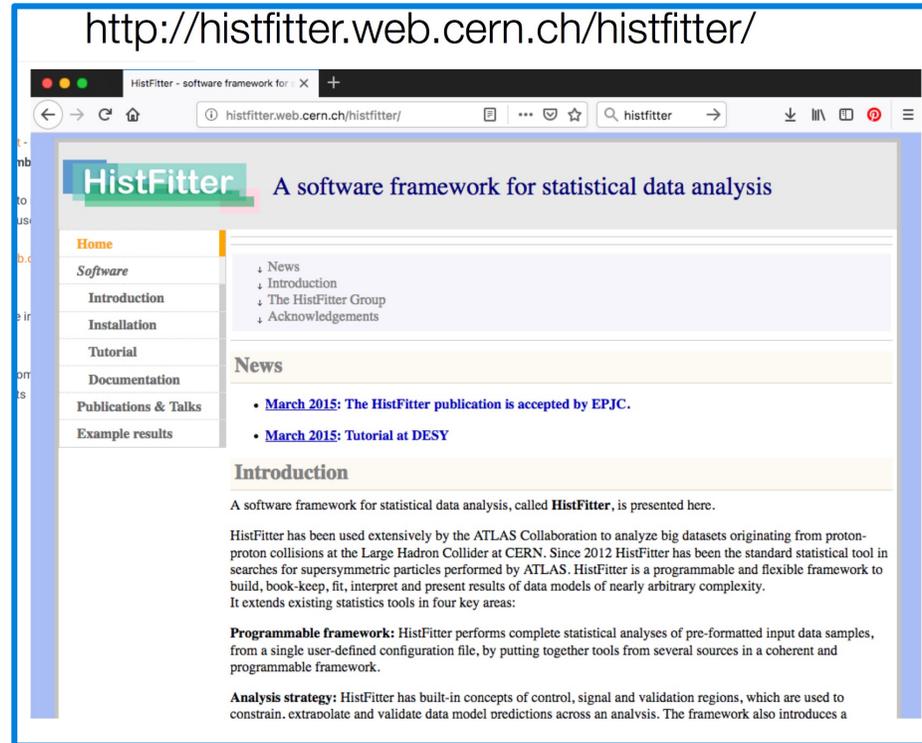
Update to a recommended tag - currently the recommended tag is **v8.0.1**:

```
cd $CMSSW_BASE/src/HiggsAnalysis/CombinedLimit
git fetch origin
git checkout v8.0.1
scramv1 b clean; scramv1 b # always make a clean build
```

<http://cms-analysis.github.io/HiggsAnalysis-CombinedLimit/>

Building & organizing complicated analyses/combinations via higher level tools in **CMS** and **ATLAS**

Many additional tools for validation of results in these packages...



<http://histfitter.web.cern.ch/histfitter/>

# HistFitter

A software framework for statistical data analysis

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## News

- **March 2015: The HistFitter publication is accepted by EPJC.**
- **March 2015: Tutorial at DESY**

## Introduction

A software framework for statistical data analysis, called **HistFitter**, is presented here.

HistFitter has been used extensively by the ATLAS Collaboration to analyze big datasets originating from proton-proton collisions at the Large Hadron Collider at CERN. Since 2012 HistFitter has been the standard statistical tool in searches for supersymmetric particles performed by ATLAS. HistFitter is a programmable and flexible framework to build, book-keep, fit, interpret and present results of data models of nearly arbitrary complexity. It extends existing statistics tools in four key areas:

**Programmable framework:** HistFitter performs complete statistical analyses of pre-formatted input data samples, from a single user-defined configuration file, by putting together tools from several sources in a coherent and programmable framework.

**Analysis strategy:** HistFitter has built-in concepts of control, signal and validation regions, which are used to constrain, extrapolate and validate data model predictions across an analysis. The framework also introduces a

Other tools also used:

- <https://diana-hep.org/pyhf/> - python based, GPU accel.+auto-diff (tensorflow)
- <https://github.com/jkiesele/Convino> – combining differential measurements
- <https://jrbourbeau.github.io/pyunfold/> - iterative unfolding