

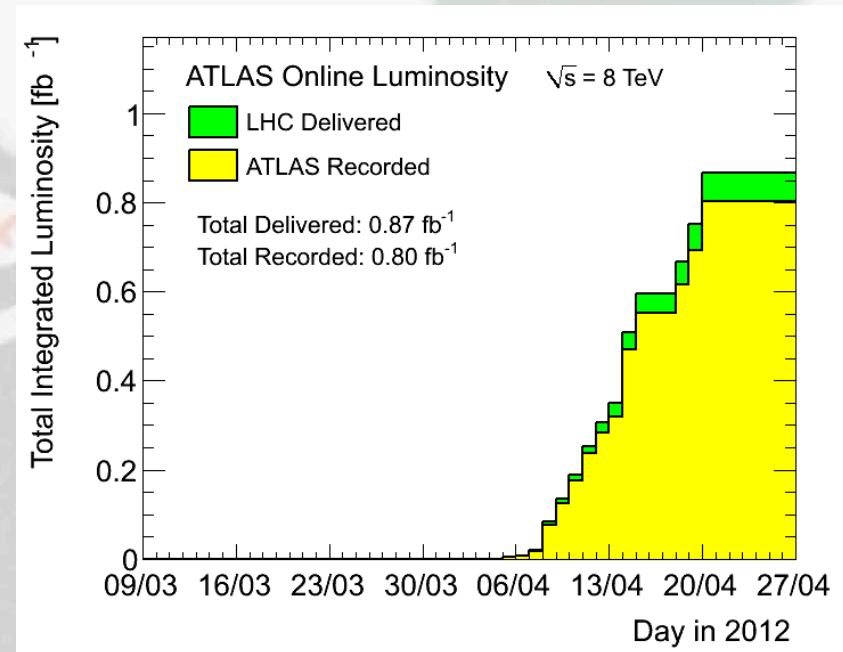
# Introduction



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# News! News! News!

- LHC: technical stop
  - Peak  $\langle \text{evts} \rangle / \text{bunch crossing}$   
20 – 25
  - Peak stable lumi  
 $5.12 \times 10^{33} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$
  - Lumi with stable beams  
 $0.80 \text{fb}^{-1}$
  - $\approx 0.15 \text{fb}^{-1}$  collected since last week



# News! News! News!

- H $\rightarrow$ bb analysis approved by to go for second circulation
- <https://cdsweb.cern.ch/record/1440266>
- Current version in CDS for last updates and reading by EB
- <https://cdsweb.cern.ch/record/1439564?ln=en>
- Should be circulated soon (next few days)
- **Congratulations everyone! 😊**
- What next:
  - Second circulation
  - 1 week of comments by collaboration and management
  - Second reading
  - Send to journal
  - More comments...
  - Publication!

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**Search for the Standard Model Higgs boson produced in association with a vector boson and decaying to a  $b$ -quark pair with the ATLAS detector at the LHC**

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A list of supporting internal notes and their authors can be found at:  
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**Supporting internal notes**

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# Internal note with 2012 plans - I

- After discussing with Sandra and Eilam:
  - Cannot make fully detailed note
  - We don't have enough information to predict 2012 changes
  - Argument was taken into account
  - Should still make "declaration of intentions" for 2012 analyses
  - Useful to prepare roadmap but no legal bound to detailed cuts (impossible)
  - To be ready for 10<sup>th</sup> May
- Content:
  - WH/ZH
  - Boosted VH
  - ttH
  - MWT? VBF? MSSM bH?
- I will prepare note and send questions/sections to each analysis group
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**Plans for  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  searches in ATLAS in 2012**

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**Abstract**

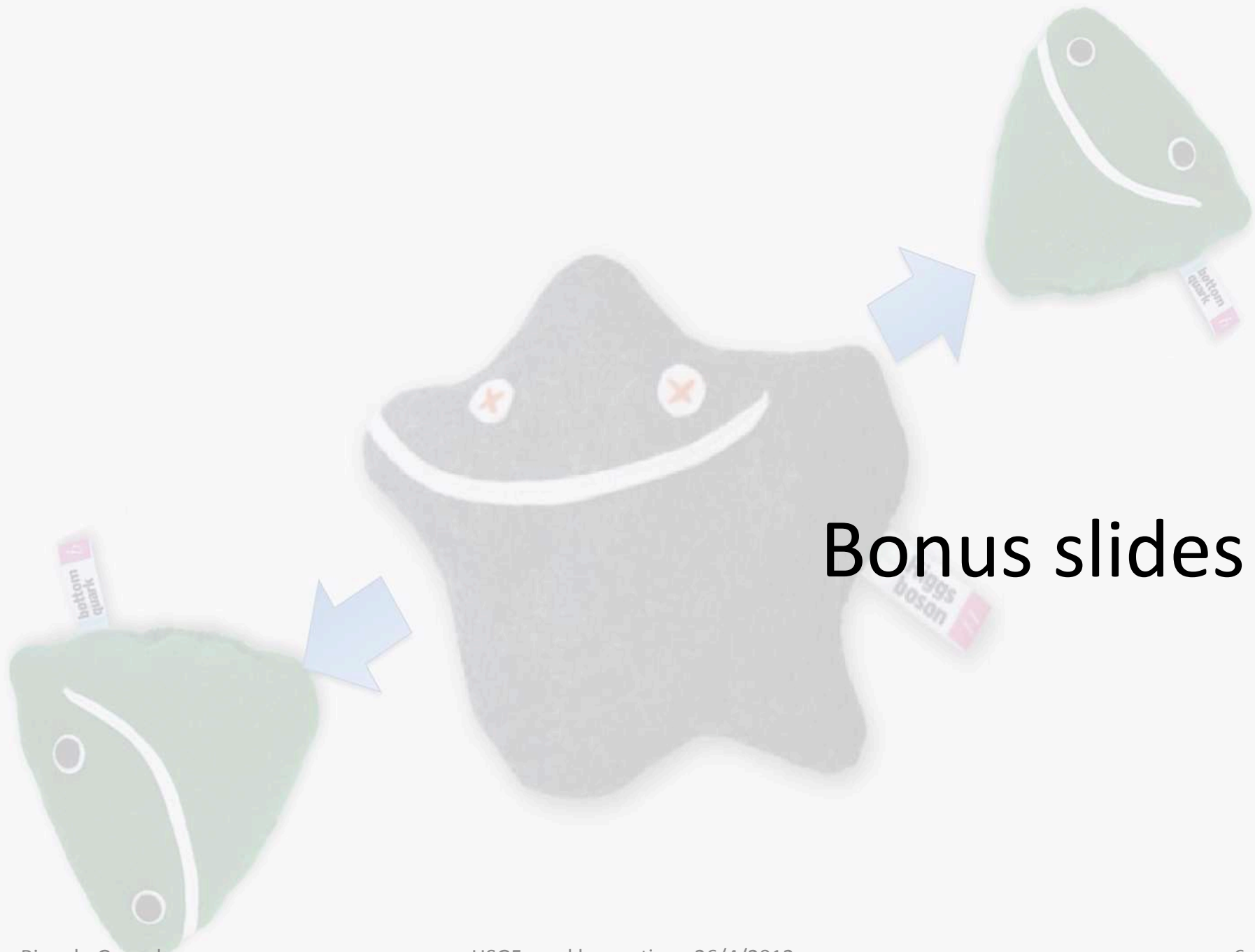
This note documents the plans for improving current searches for  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  and feasibility studies for new analyses for the remainder of the 2012. It includes analyses of both the 2011 LHC running period at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and the 2012 running at 8 TeV.

# Today...

- Need to have MC discussion – at 3pm to have Tatsuya's help

## Thursday, 26 April 2012

14:00 - 14:15	<b>Introduction 15'</b> Speaker: Ricardo Jose Morais Silva Goncalo (University of London (GB))
14:20 - 14:35	<b>Update on the bH(bb) analysis 15'</b> Speaker: Caitlin Malone
14:40 - 14:55	<b>Bonn BDT analysis update 15'</b> Speaker: Jan Therhaag (Universitaet Bonn (DE))
15:00 - 15:15	<b>Monte Carlo discussion 15'</b> Speaker: Ricardo Jose Morais Silva Goncalo (University of London (GB))
15:20 - 15:35	<b>b-jets properties in boosted Higgs scenario 15'</b> Speaker: Remi Zaidan (University of Iowa (US))
15:40 - 15:55	<b>Update on HSG5 D3PDs 15'</b> Speakers: Dr. Robert Duane Harrington Jr (University of Edinburgh), Mr. William Panduro Vazquez (Imperial College London)



# Bonus slides

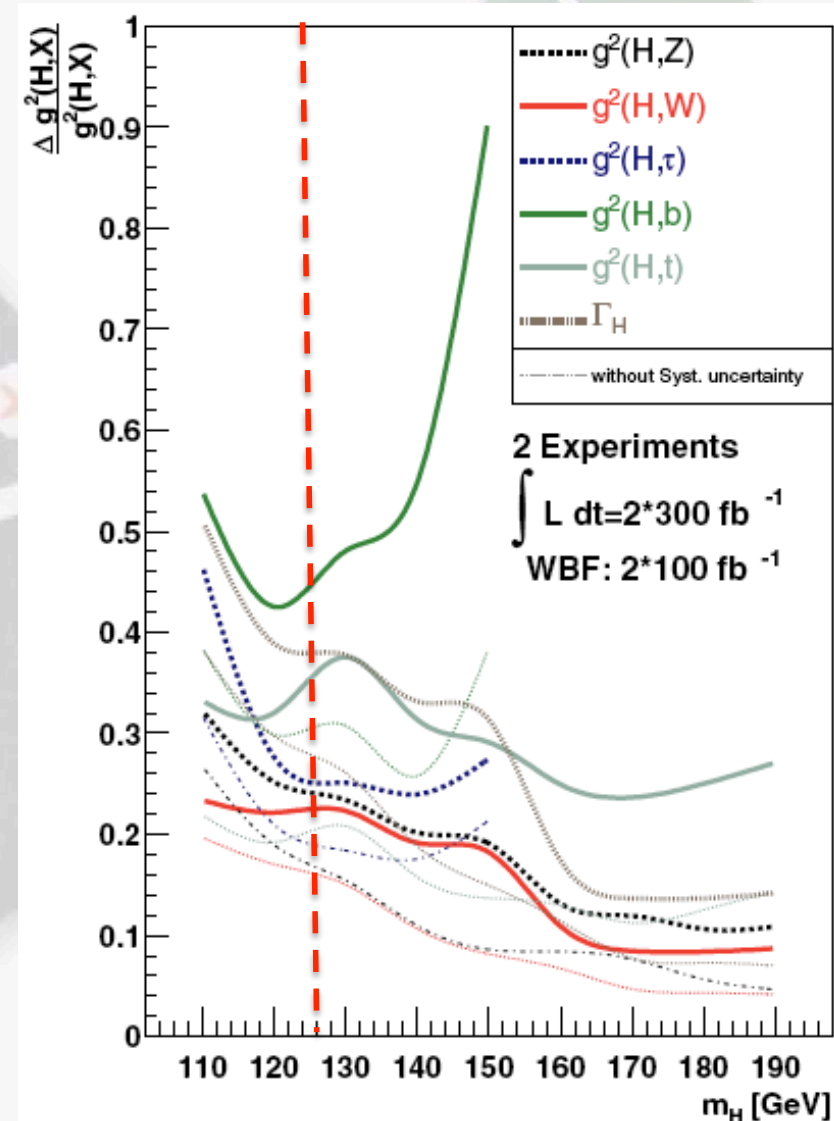


# Planning for 2012 analyses

- No rest for the weary!...
- Next issue for the whole group is an internal note on plans for 2012 analyses
  - The plan is not completely clear to me yet (e.g. which MC to use)
  - But main goal is to make unbiased decisions:
  - Decide on cuts and strategy before looking at new data
- Should take this as an opportunity to think ahead:
  - Boosted VH analyses and how to merge with inclusive
  - ttH, VBF, BSM analyses (see e.g. Javier and Merlin's talk today)
  - Use of MVAs (see e.g. Jan's talk today)
  - Study trigger constraints and where we can gain signal (ongoing)
  - Needs from MC: generators, where MC improvements can help most – e.g. W+jets background,  $N_{\text{jets}}$  and  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{W}}$  description, where can theory help?
  - CP performance gains needed: b-tagging, bJES, MET (see e.g. Jake's and David's talk)
    - Remember WH/ZH analyses are now systematics limited!
  - How to optimize analyses to prepare for 125GeV Higgs property measurements?

# Higgs couplings

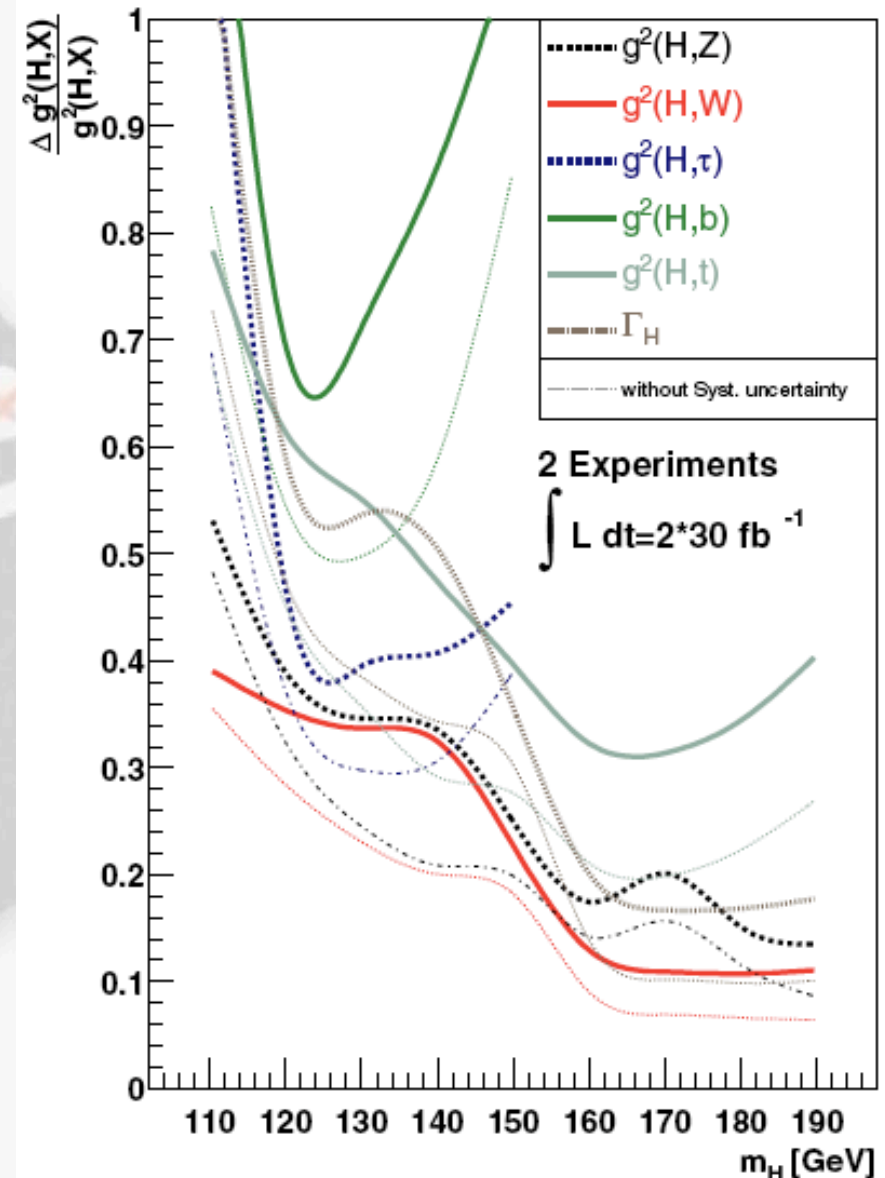
- Fit Higgs couplings using all available final states and injecting some theory assumption, i.e.  $\Gamma_V \leq \Gamma_V^{\text{SM}}$  ( $V=W,Z$ )
- $\Delta g^2_{VV}/g^2_{VV}$  can be determined with an uncertainty of  $\sim 20\%$  ( $2 \times 300/\text{fb}$ )
- $\Delta g^2_{bb}/g^2_{bb}$  can be determined with an uncertainty of  $\sim 40\%$  ( $2 \times 300/\text{fb}$ )
- Find the optimal point in the luminosity-pileup plane to perform the best measurements in particular for  $H \rightarrow bb$  and  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ?





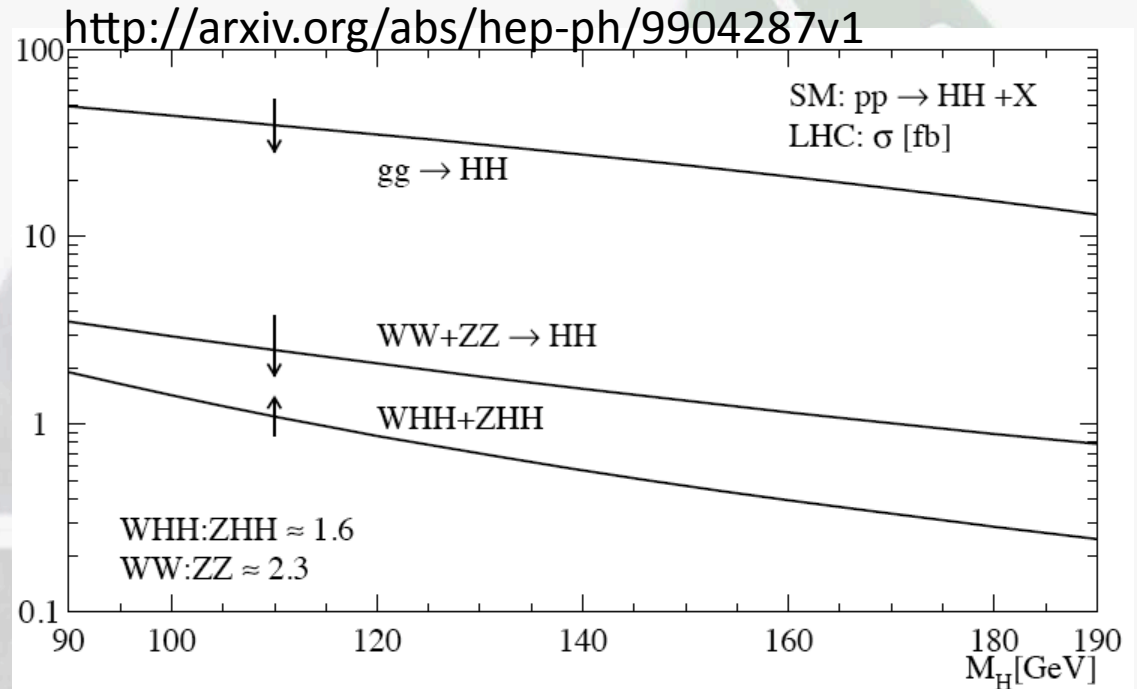
# Higgs couplings with up to 2012 data

- Fit Higgs couplings using all available possible final states and injecting some theory assumption, i.e.  $\Gamma_V \leq \Gamma_V^{\text{SM}}$  ( $V=W,Z$ )
- $\Delta g^2_{VV}/g^2_{VV}$  can be determined with an uncertainty of  $\sim 35\%$  ( $2 \times 30/\text{fb}$ )
- $\Delta g^2_{bb}/g^2_{bb}$  can be determined with an uncertainty of  $\sim 65\%$  ( $2 \times 30/\text{fb}$ )



# Higgs self-couplings

- A complete verification of the Standard Model prediction requires the measurements of the Higgs self-couplings.
  - Trilinear and quartic interactions
- Direct trilinear interaction:  $H^* \rightarrow HH$ 
  - SM:  $g = 3m_H^2/v$
- Processes of interest:  $gg \rightarrow HH$ , VBF  $qq \rightarrow qqHH$ , associated production ( $ttH, VH$ )
  - Most interesting final state so far studied:  $HH \rightarrow WWWW \rightarrow l\nu jj l\nu jj$



- ggF cross section:  $\sim 30/\text{fb}$
- Quartic interactions: very likely not feasible at the LHC/HL-LHC, but it is worth to review this process as well
  - SM:  $g = 3m_H^2/v^2$

**Recent internal studies done in ATLAS by A. Dahlhoff and M. Duhrssen (based on fast simulation).**