

# Preliminary look at $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$ in nanoAOD

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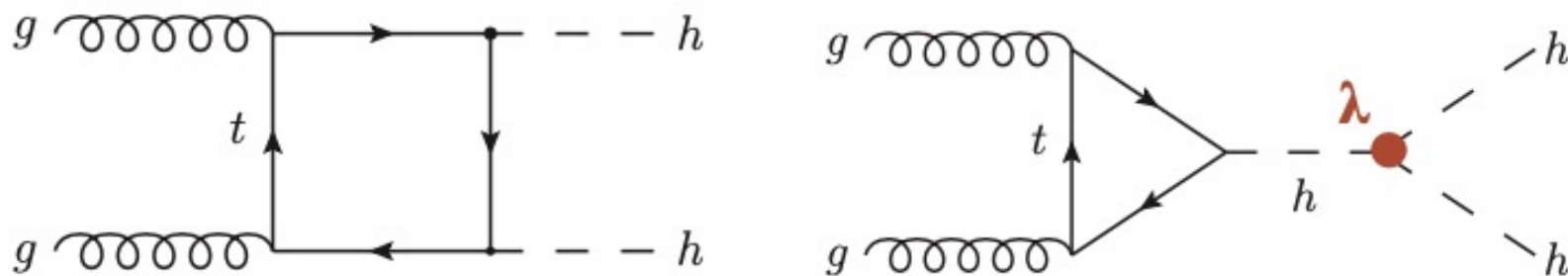
# Overview

- Di-Higgs production at the LHC
- Inputs & event categorisation
- Multivariate classifier (BDT)
- Signal Region (SR) optimisation
- Extract signal sensitivity

# SM HH Production

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ggF diagrams



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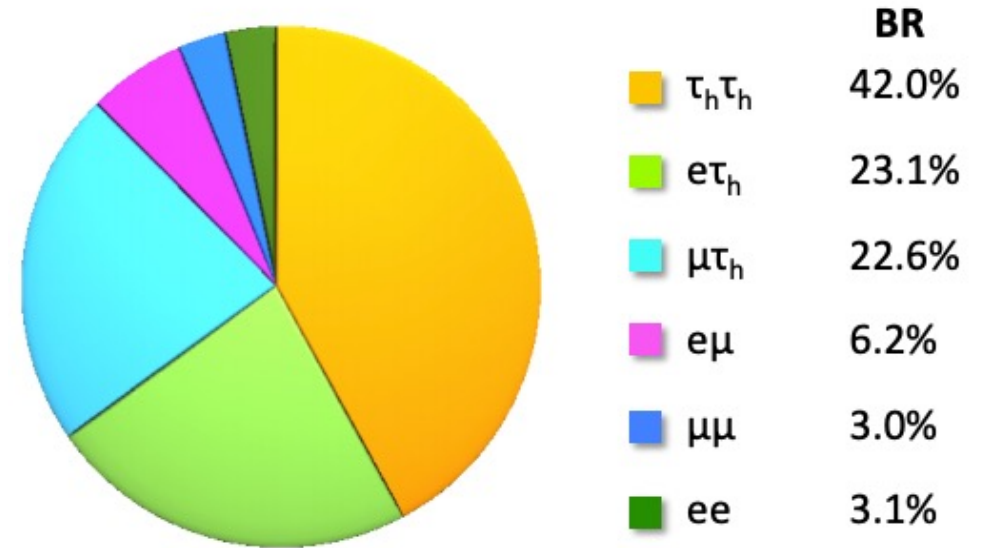
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- $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$  final state has not been studied yet
- Higgs branching ratios
  - $Br(H \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = 58\%$
  - $Br(H \rightarrow \tau\tau) = 6\%$
  - $Br(HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau) = 0.027\%$
  - $Br(HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma b\bar{b}) = 0.26\%$
  - $Br(HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau\tau) = 7\%$

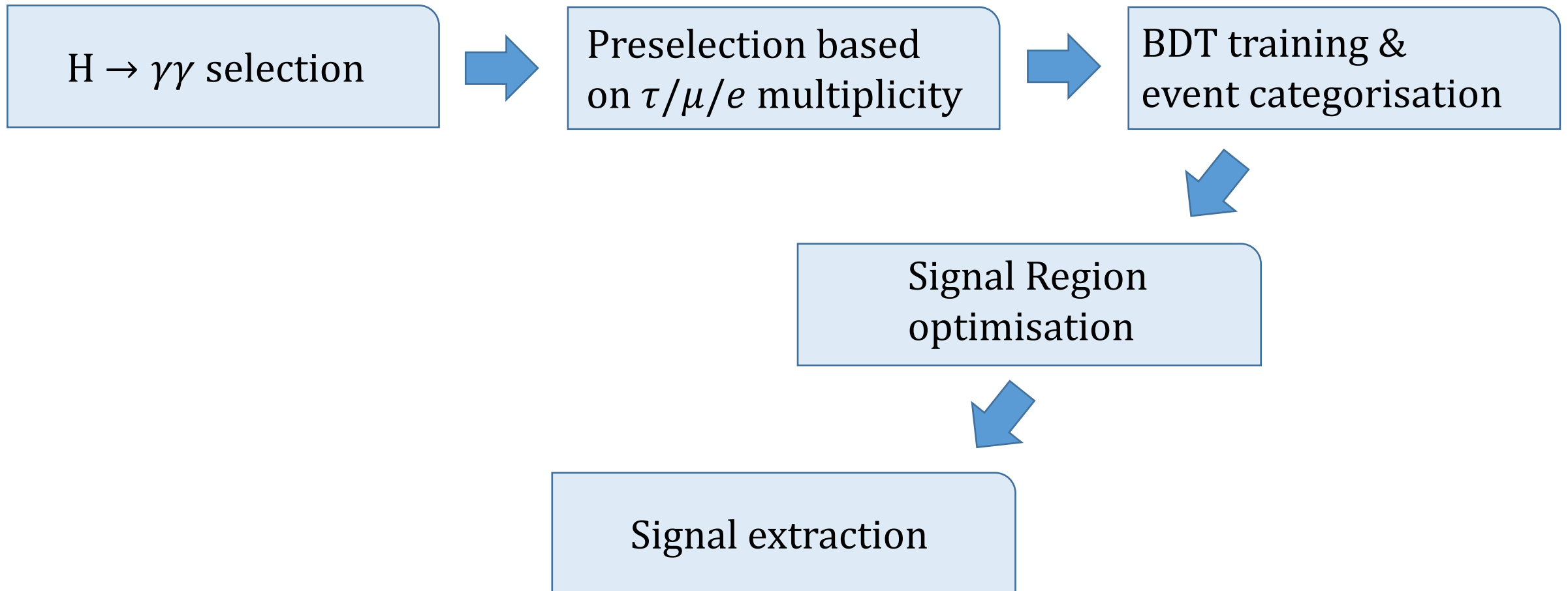
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# $\tau$ Decays

- Dominant decay modes:
  - $\tau \rightarrow e \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\tau$  ( $\mathcal{BR} = 17.8\%$ )
  - $\tau \rightarrow \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu \nu_\tau$  ( $\mathcal{BR} = 17.4\%$ )
  - $\tau \rightarrow h^- \nu_\tau + \geq 0 h^0$  ( $\mathcal{BR} = 49.5\%$ )
  - $\tau \rightarrow h^- h^- h^+ \nu_\tau + \geq 0 h^0$  ( $\mathcal{BR} = 15.2\%$ )
- Categories of interest:
  - $\tau\tau \rightarrow$  both taus decay hadronically
  - $\tau l \rightarrow$  one hadronic  $\tau$ , one leptonic ( $l = e, \mu$ )
  - exclude events without  $\tau$  (e.g.  $e\mu$ ) due to conflicts with other analyses
- $\tau\tau + \tau e + \tau\mu$  cover  $\sim 88\%$  of all  $\tau$  decays



# Analysis Flow



# Inputs

- Use of private production of nanoAOD samples for Run II
  - $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$  sample made from modifying Pythia configuration of official  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma b\bar{b}$  sample
- Currently not using ultra-legacy (to be implemented)

## Data

- DoubleEG 2016 & 2017
- EGamma 2018

Total Luminosity  
 $35.9 + 41.5 + 59.8 = 137.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

## Signal

- GluGluToHHTo2TAU2G\_\*  
(LO)

## Background

### Non resonant

- Diphoton + Jets
- W/Z + Gamma
- Gamma + Jets
- DY + Jets
- QCD
- TT + Jets/ $\gamma/\gamma\gamma$

### Resonant

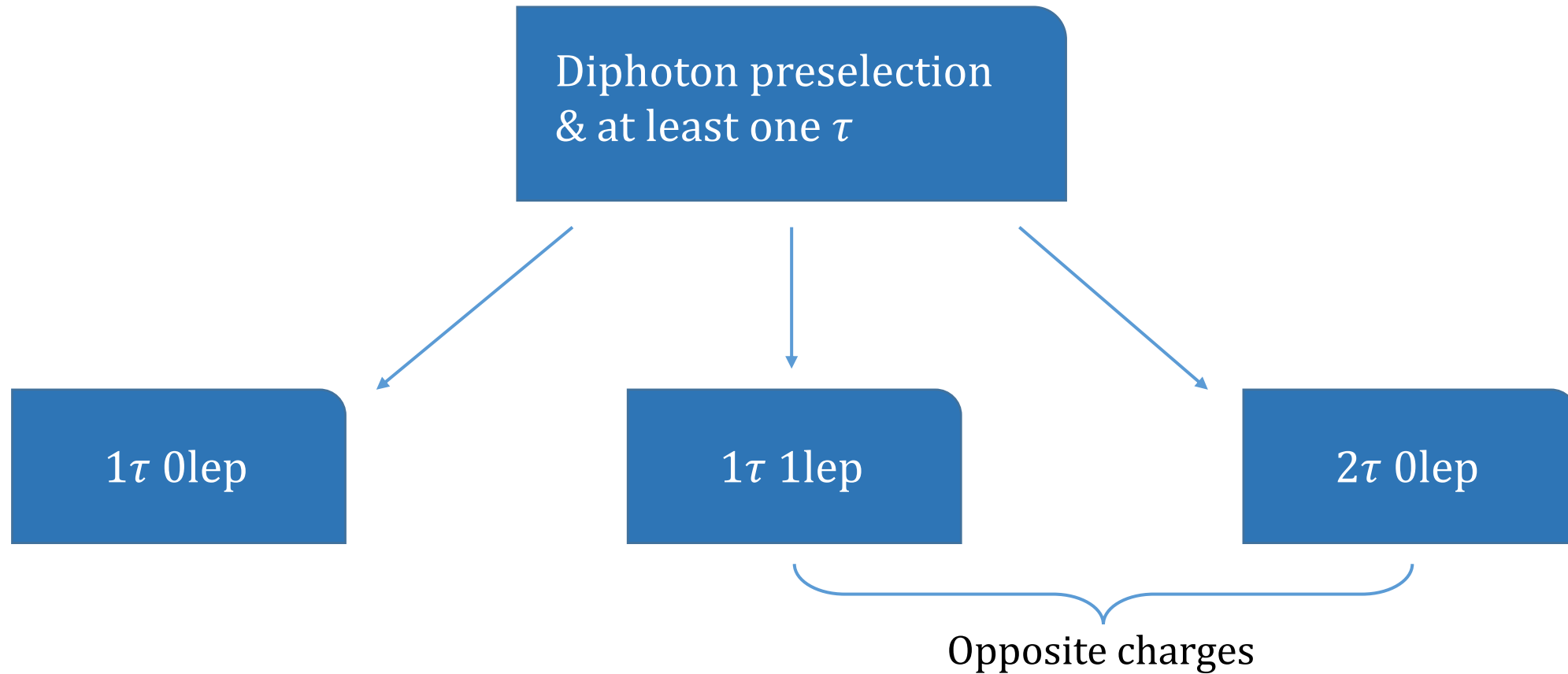
- VH

# Physics Objects & Diphoton Selection

- $\tau$ 
  - $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$  ,  $|\eta| < 2.3$
  - DecayModeNewDMs
  - $|d_z| < 0.2 \text{ cm}$
  - deepTauID: vs jet(Loose), vs e(VVLoose), vs  $\mu$ : VLoose
- $\mu$ 
  - $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$  ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$
  - $|d_{xy}| < 0.045 \text{ cm}$  ,  $|d_z| < 0.2 \text{ cm}$
  - PFRelIso03 < 0.3
- $e$ 
  - $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$  ,  $|\eta| < 2.5$
  - $|d_{xy}| < 0.045 \text{ cm}$  ,  $|d_z| < 0.2 \text{ cm}$
  - (PFRelIso03 < 0.3 and mvaFall17V2noIso\_WP90) or (mvaFall17V2Iso\_WP90)
- Standard diphoton preselection plus:
  - $\frac{p_T}{m_{\gamma\gamma}} > 0.33$  (0.25)
  - photon ID > - 0.7
- Overlap removal:
  - $\Delta R > 0.2$  between  $\tau/\mu/e$  and selected  $\gamma$ s
  - $\Delta R > 0.2$  between pairs of  $\tau/\mu/e$
- $\tau/\mu/e$  selection based on loose selection from  $HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$  [analysis](#)



# Event Categorisation



# Yields for Run II

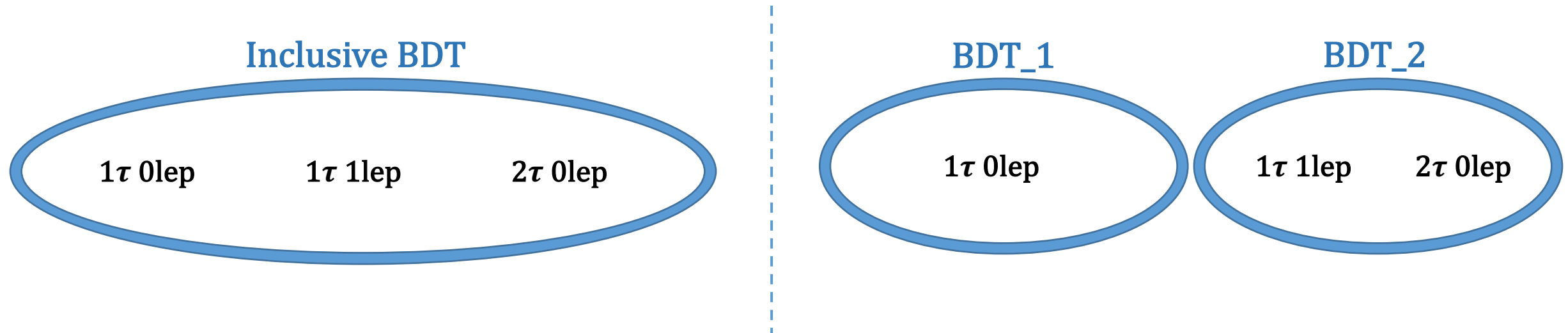
- Preliminary yield table at preselection level

		Inclusive	1tau_0lep	1tau_1lep	2tau_0lep	
Bkg.	Non res.	GJet	10937±921	10934±921	3.11±2.53	0.0 ±0.0
		ttbar+ttG/GG	247 ±19	220±18	25.5 ± 5.57	2.1 ±1.2
		ZG	329±10	291±10	27.0±3.0	11.3±1.8
		WG	314±19	309±19	5.42±2.54	0.32±1.26
		Diphoton	6837±35	6801±35	7.77±1.02	27.3±2.22
	Res.	VH	8.96± 0.12	8.34±0.11	0.40±0.03	0.21±0.02
	Inclusive	Bkg	18675±922	18564±922	69.3±7.3	41.2±3.4
	Data	21338±146	21245±145	50.0±7.1	38.0±6.2	
	HH → γγττ	0.298±0.001	0.169±0.000	0.074±0.000	0.054±0.000	

- Work in progress – improve data/MC agreement by exploring missing backgrounds & apply relevant SFs

# Preliminary BDT

- Explored two distinct scenarios:
  - Train a **single BDT** inclusive of **all categories** with at least one  $\tau$
  - Train **two BDTs**, one for **1 $\tau$  0lep** events and one for **1 $\tau$  1lep & 2 $\tau$  0lep** events



- BDTs from XGBoost (python) and trained with:
  - Signal:  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$
  - Background: Diphoton -  $Z\gamma$  -  $VH$  -  $W\gamma$  -  $t\bar{t}\gamma$  -  $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  -  $t\bar{t}$

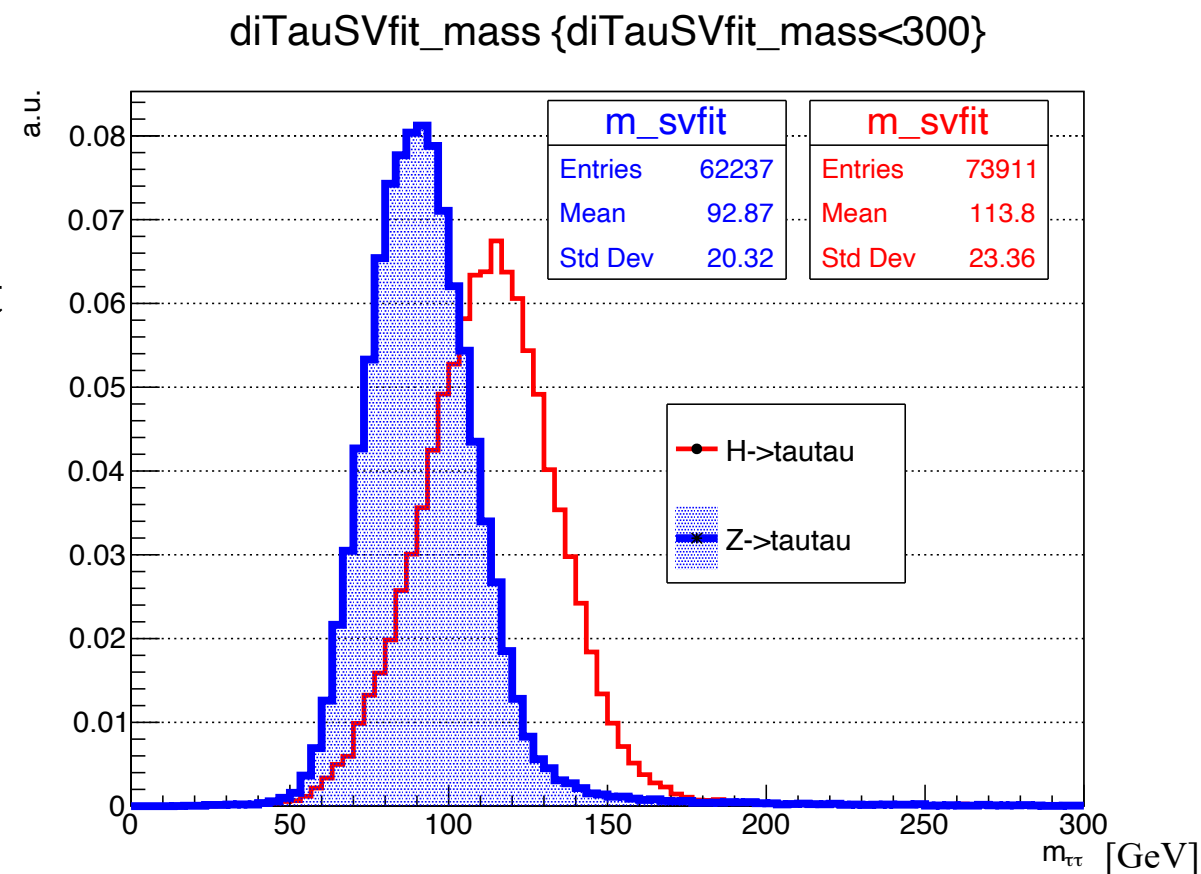
# BDT Training Variables

n_taus	sublead. photon $\frac{p_T}{m_{\gamma\gamma}}$	tau_2 pt	jet1_bTagDeepFlavB	$\tau\tau$ pt (SVFit)
n_electrons	sublead. photon $\eta$	tau_2 $\eta$	jet2 pt	$\tau\tau$ $\eta$ (SVFit)
n_muons	sublead. photon ID_mva	tau1_id_vs_electron	jet2 $\eta$	$\tau\tau$ mass (SVFit)
n_Jets	electron pt	tau1_id_vs_muon	jet2 ID	$\tau\tau$ $\phi$ (SVFit)
MET pt	electron $\eta$	tau1_id_vs_jet	jet2_bTagDeepFlavB	
diphoton $\frac{p_T}{m_{\gamma\gamma}}$	electron tight_ID	tau2_id_vs_electron	$\tau\tau$ $\Delta R$ (visible)	
diphoton $\eta$	muon pt	tau2_id_vs_muon	$\tau\tau$ $\Delta R$ (SVFit)	
diphoton $\Delta R$	muon $\eta$	tau2_id_vs_jet	$\Delta R$ between $\tau\tau$ (vis) and $\gamma\gamma$	
lead. photon $\frac{p_T}{m_{\gamma\gamma}}$	muon tight_ID	jet1 pt	$\Delta R$ between $\tau\tau$ (SVFit) and $\gamma\gamma$	
lead. photon $\eta$	tau_1 pt	jet1 $\eta$	$\Delta\phi$ between $\tau\tau$ (vis) and $\gamma\gamma$	
lead. photon ID_mva	tau_1 $\eta$	jet1 ID	$\Delta\phi$ between $\tau\tau$ (SVFit) and $\gamma\gamma$	

- Link to configuration BDT [file](#) (full list of training variables and hyperparameters)

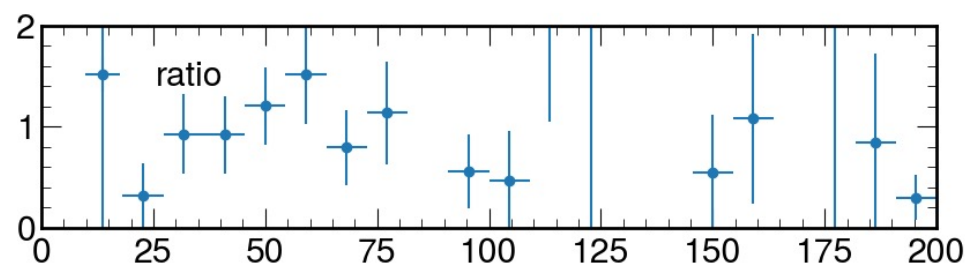
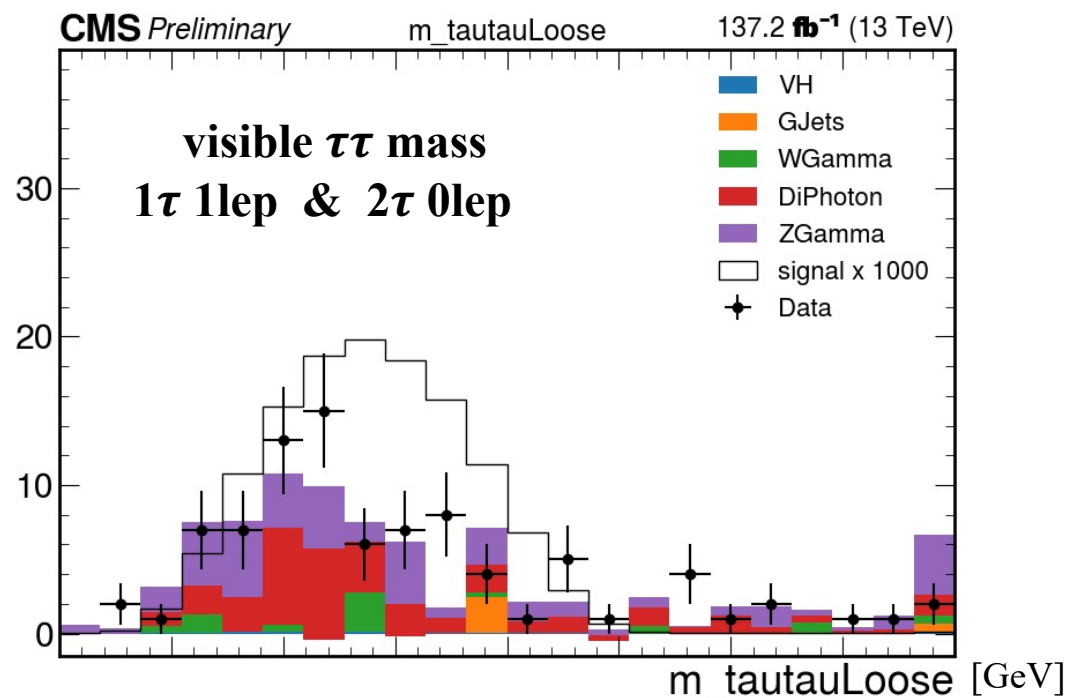
# SVFit Tools

- Use of di-tau [SVFit](#) invariant mass in BDT
- SVFit tools use Likelihood method to reconstruct di-tau invariant mass from:
  - MET & MET covariant matrix
  - $\tau / e / \mu$  visible Lorentz vectors
- Widely used in CMS analyses, like [HH  \$\rightarrow b b \tau \tau\$](#)
- Powerful variable to separate signal from background (requires both  $\tau / e / \mu$  reconstructed)

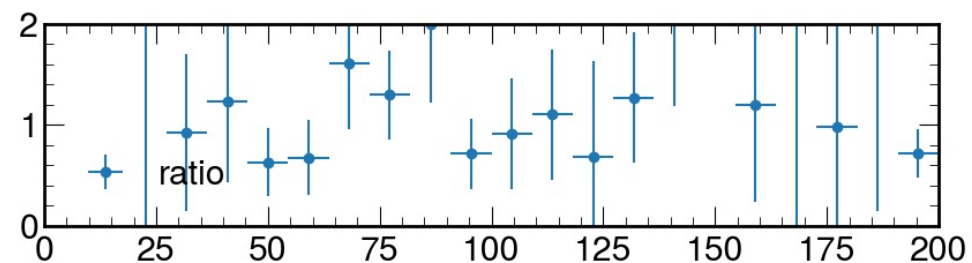
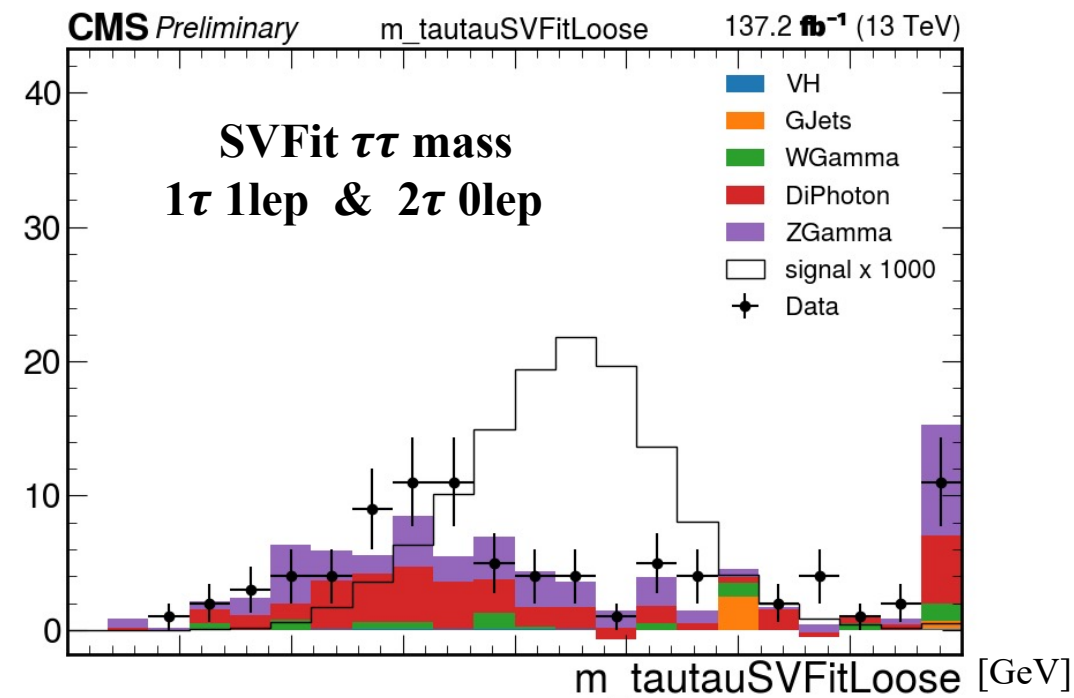


SVFit invariant mass for a system of two hadronic taus.

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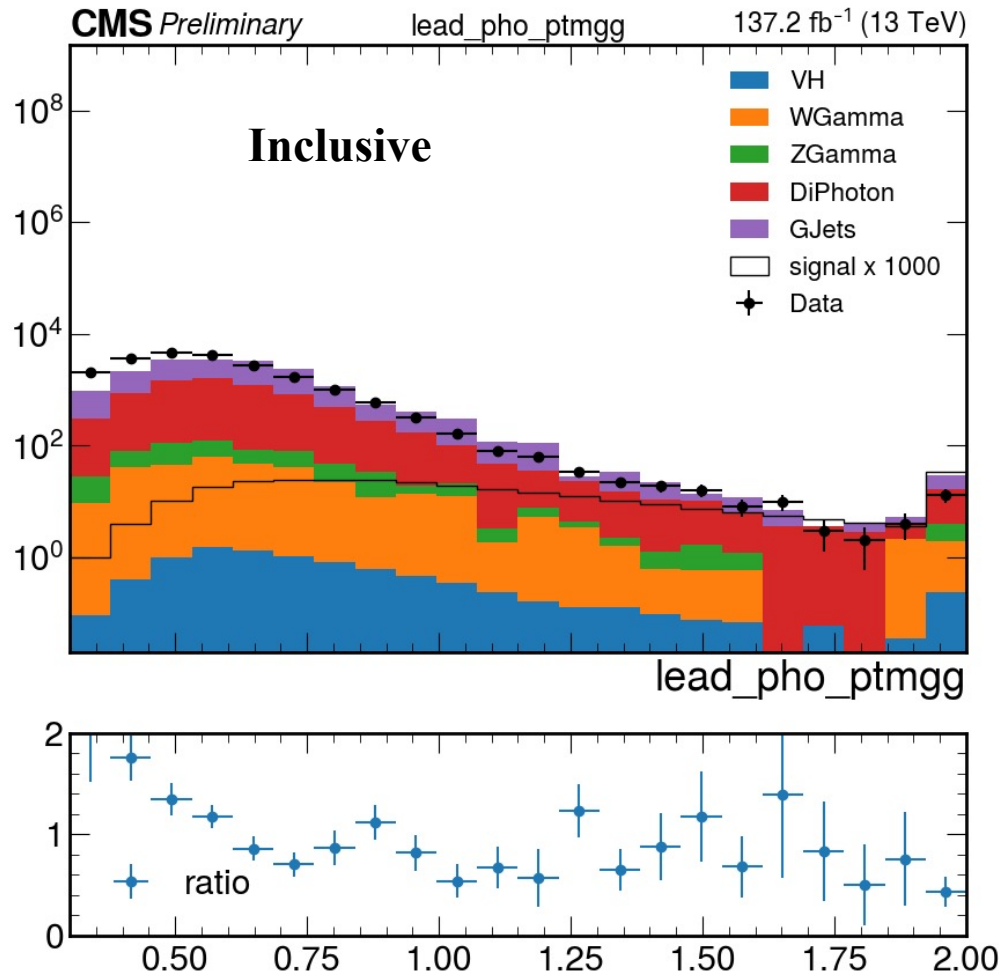


Invariant mass for the  $\tau/\mu/e$  candidates from Higgs computed from their **visible** Lorentz vectors. Since we require both Higgs candidates to be reconstructed, only  $1\tau$  1lep &  $2\tau$  0lep events are shown.

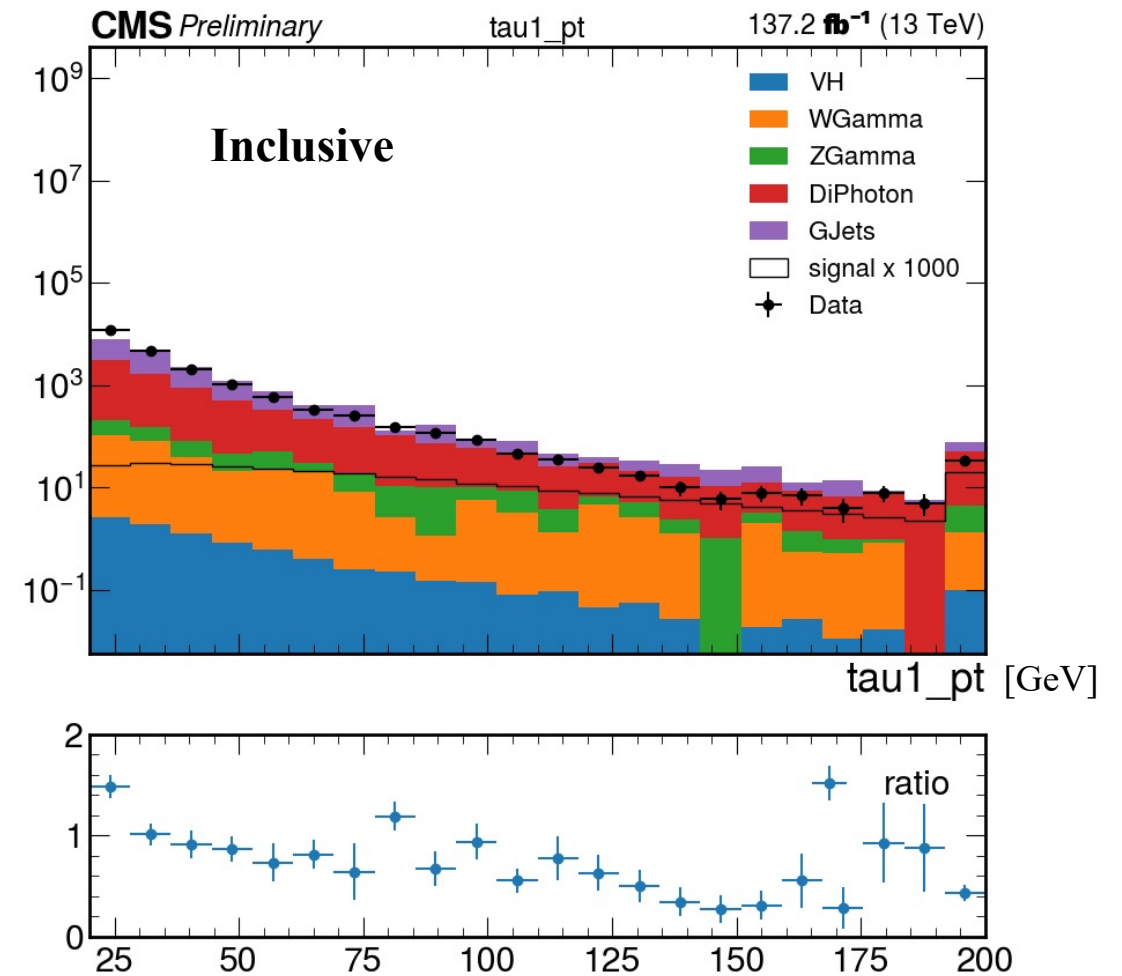


Invariant mass for the  $\tau/\mu/e$  candidates from Higgs computed according to the **SVFit** algorithm. Since we require both Higgs candidates to be reconstructed, only  $1\tau$  1lep &  $2\tau$  0lep events are shown.

# Data/MC plots of BDT variables

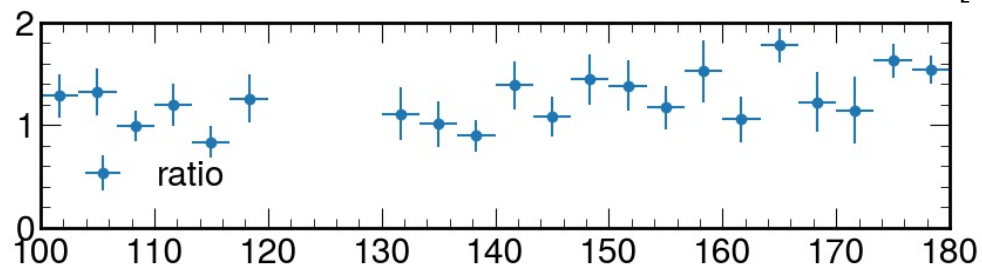
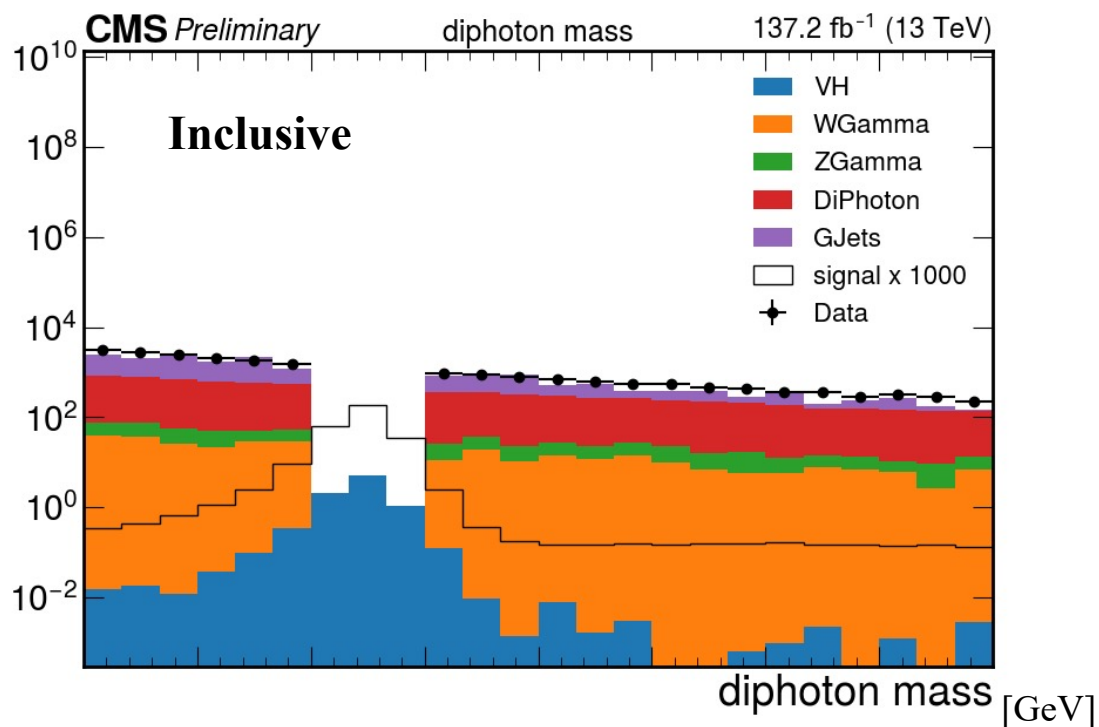


Plot of  $\frac{p_T}{m_{\gamma\gamma}}$  for the leading  $\gamma$  (highest  $p_T$ ) from diphoton selection.

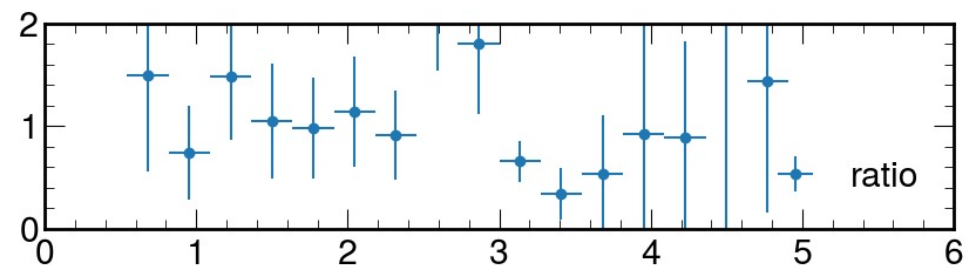
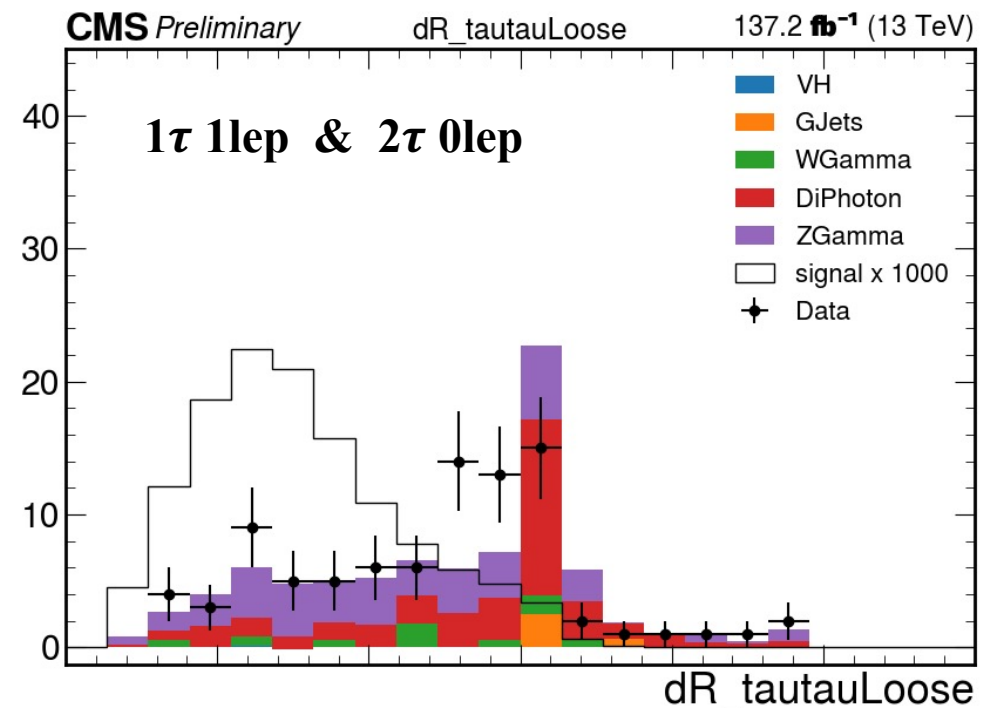


Plot of  $\tau$   $p_T$  for the hadronic tau with largest transverse momentum.

# Data/MC plots of BDT variables



$m_{\gamma\gamma}$  sideband veto:  $100 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 120$  &  
 $130 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 180$  GeV (no sig or res bkg)

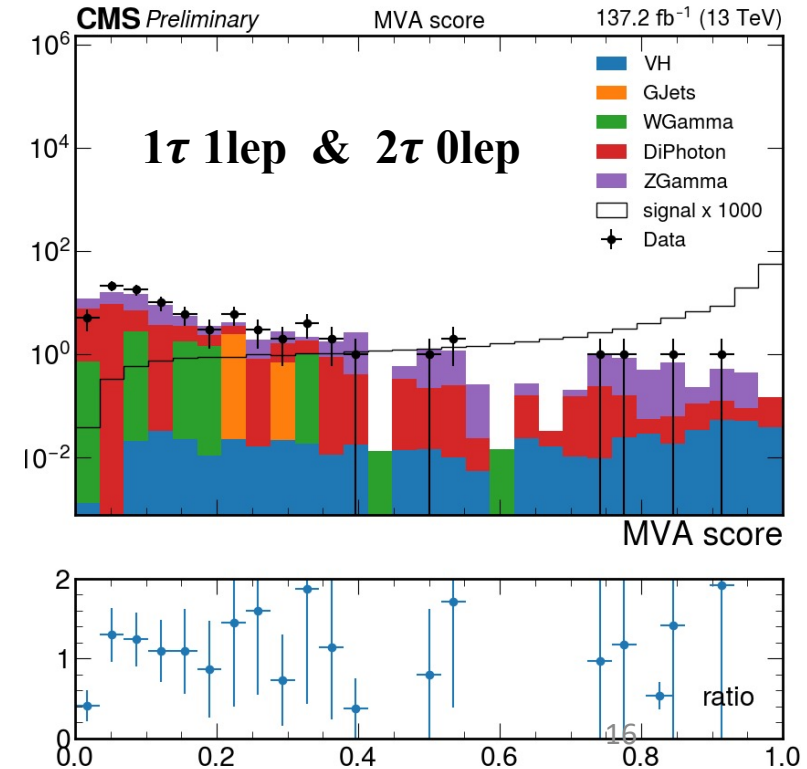
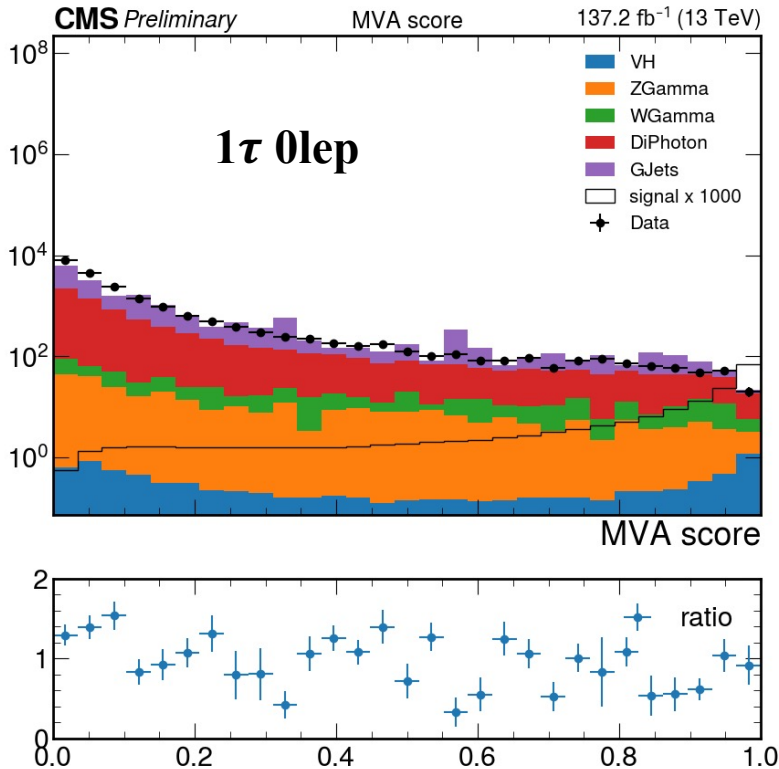
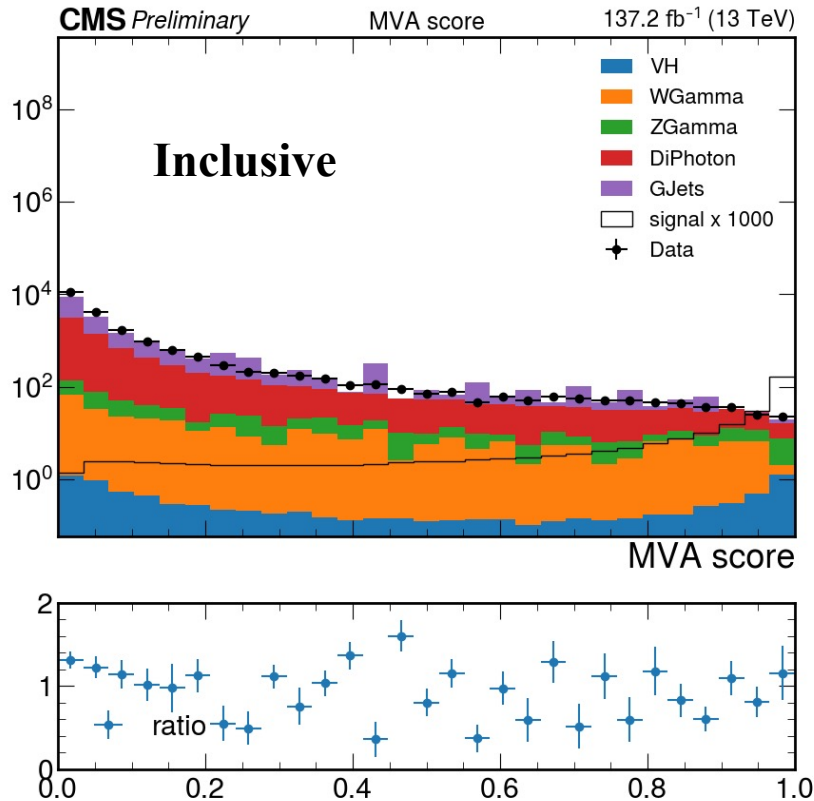


$\Delta R$  between  $\tau/\mu/e$  candidates from Higgs.

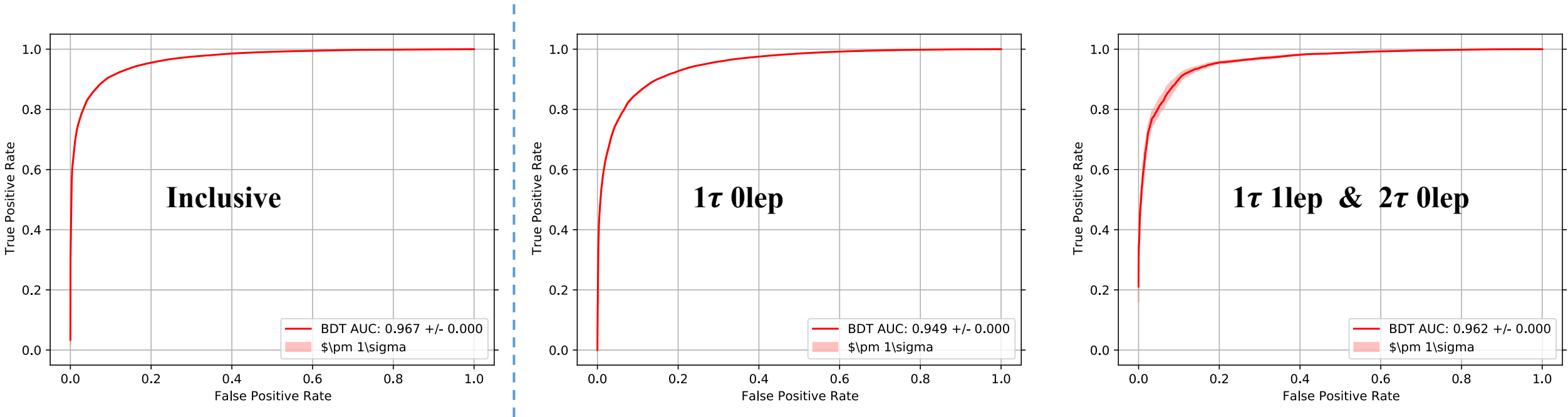


# BDT Performance

- BDT scores for the two scenarios explored
  - **Inclusive** BDT trained on  $1\tau$  0lep,  $1\tau$  1lep,  $2\tau$  0lep events
  - One BDT dedicated to  **$1\tau$  0lep** events and one dedicated to  **$1\tau$  1lep &  $2\tau$  0lep** events



# BDT Performance



- Both BDT approaches show similar discrimination power

# Signal Region Optimisation

- Adapted SR optimisation tool from [ttH](#) analysis:
  - define two bins for each BDT output
  - fit to  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  distribution
  - model signal with Double Crystal-Ball function
  - model background with exponential function
  - figure of merit: Upper Limit on HH cross section
  - during optimisation all signal & background are modelled from MC

# Expected Sensitivity

- Based on optimised SR from last slide, we performed 1D fit to  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  to extract the upper limits on HH cross section
- We evaluated two methods to extract limits:
  - Use MC in signal & background fits
  - Use **data** for **non-res. background** and MC for resonant background and signal

## Standard Model Upper Limits

non-res. bkg from →	MC	data
Inclusive BDT	31 x SM	29 x SM
Two BDTs	35 x SM	28 x SM

- Preliminary SM limits within a factor of 6 from  [\$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma\$](#)  (5.2 x SM)

# Summary

- Plan to deliver the results of the  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$  analysis using an intermediate version of the nanoAOD framework proposed [last week](#) at the  $H\gamma\gamma$  meeting
- Our current nanoAOD tools take  $\sim 20/30$  mins to run full analysis from skimmed nanoAOD (diphoton selection)
  - SFs and systematics yet to be applied
- **Upper limit of  $\sim 30 \times \text{SM}$**  for Higgs pair production

# Future Steps

- Synchronise diphoton preselection with respect to Flashgg
- Include processes  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$  &  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma ZZ$  to increase signal yields
- Request official signal MC samples (in progress)
- Include VBF production, potentially also VHH, ttHH
- Dedicated BDT to separate VH ( $V \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ) from HH
- Explore BDT/DNN regression to further improve  $\tau\tau$  resolution
- Extract signal by fitting 2D distribution ( $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  &  $m_{\tau\tau}$ ), if  $\tau\tau$  present

# Yields for Run II + $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$

- Yields after di-photon preselection + 1 hadronic  $\tau$  including  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$

	Inclusive	1tau_0lep	1tau_1lep	2tau_0lep
Inclusive bkg	$18675 \pm 922$	$18564 \pm 922$	$69.3 \pm 7.3$	$41.2 \pm 3.4$
Data	$21338 \pm 146$	$21245 \pm 145$	$50.0 \pm 7.1$	$38.0 \pm 6.2$
$HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$	0.298	0.169	0.074	0.054
$HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$ (semi-leptonic)	0.046	0.041	0.005	0.0004
$HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$ (di-leptonic)	0.021	0.009	0.011	0.0005

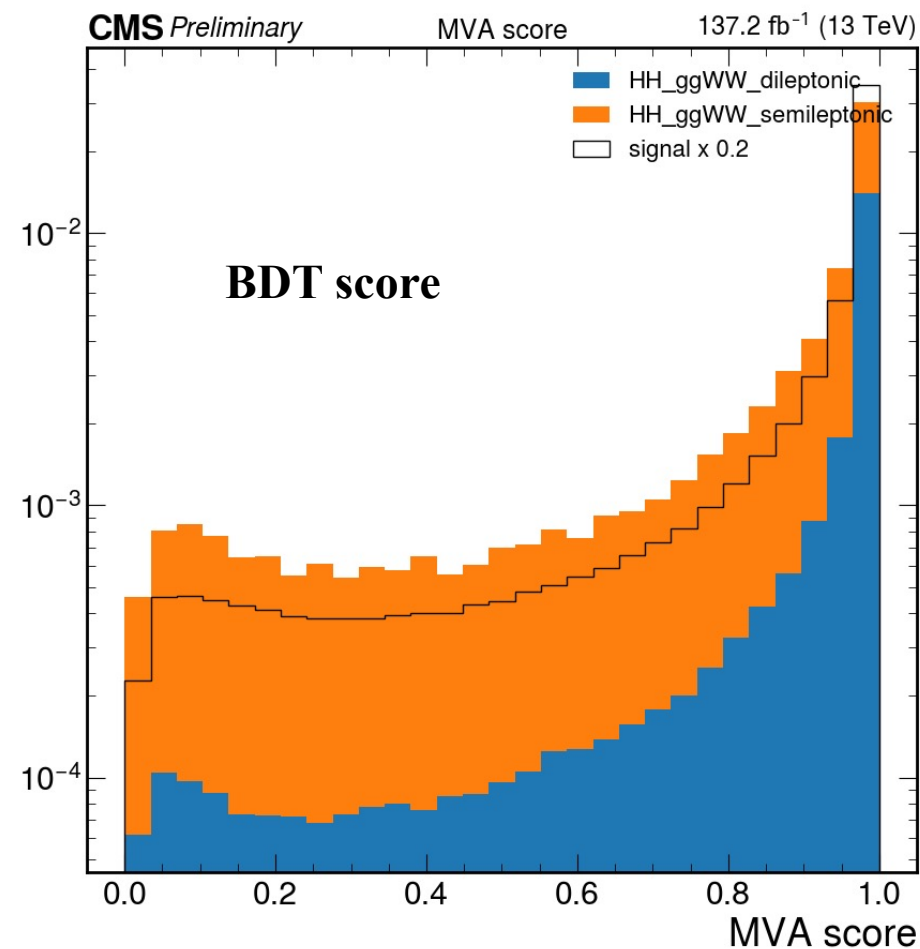
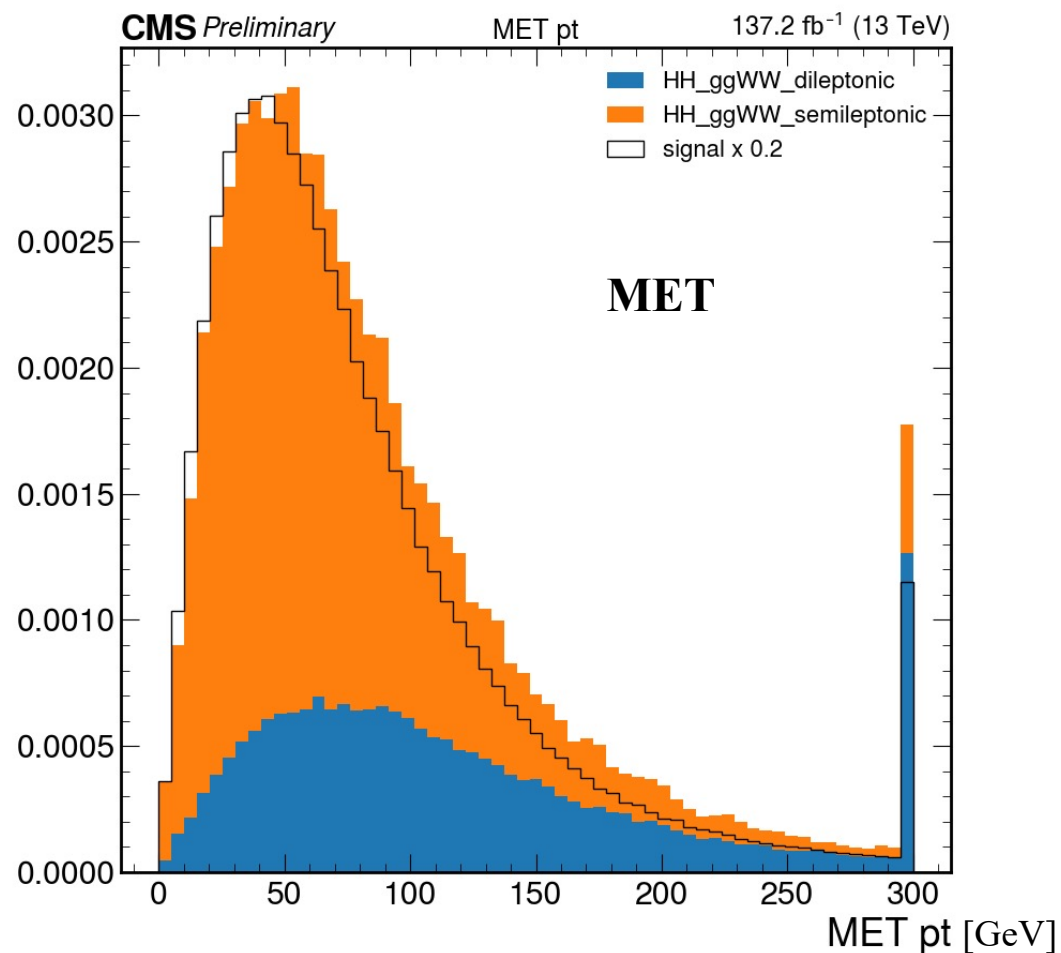
- Signal yields increase by  $\sim 20\%$

# $\gamma\gamma\tau\tau/\gamma\gamma WW$ Comparison

- Compare profiles between  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$  and  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$  (semi-leptonic & di-leptonic)
  - $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$  (signal) has been scaled by 0.2 to ease the comparison
  - full set of plots [here](#)
- Same inclusive BDT as slides 10-11, now trained on  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$  and  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$  (semi-leptonic & di-leptonic) as signal



# $\gamma\gamma\tau\tau/\gamma\gamma WW$ Comparison



- No neat separation between  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\tau\tau$  and  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$

# Expected Sensitivity w/ $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$

- Perform SR optimisation on new BDT including  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$  samples
- Extract limits fitting signal & background to MC

## Standard Model Upper Limits

non-res. bkg from $\rightarrow$	MC	data
Inclusive BDT	31 x SM	29 x SM
Inclusive BDT + $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$	27 x SM	-

- Adding  $HH \rightarrow \gamma\gamma WW$  lowers the UL from 31 to 27 x SM, within a factor of 5 from  [\$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma\$](#)

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# Backup