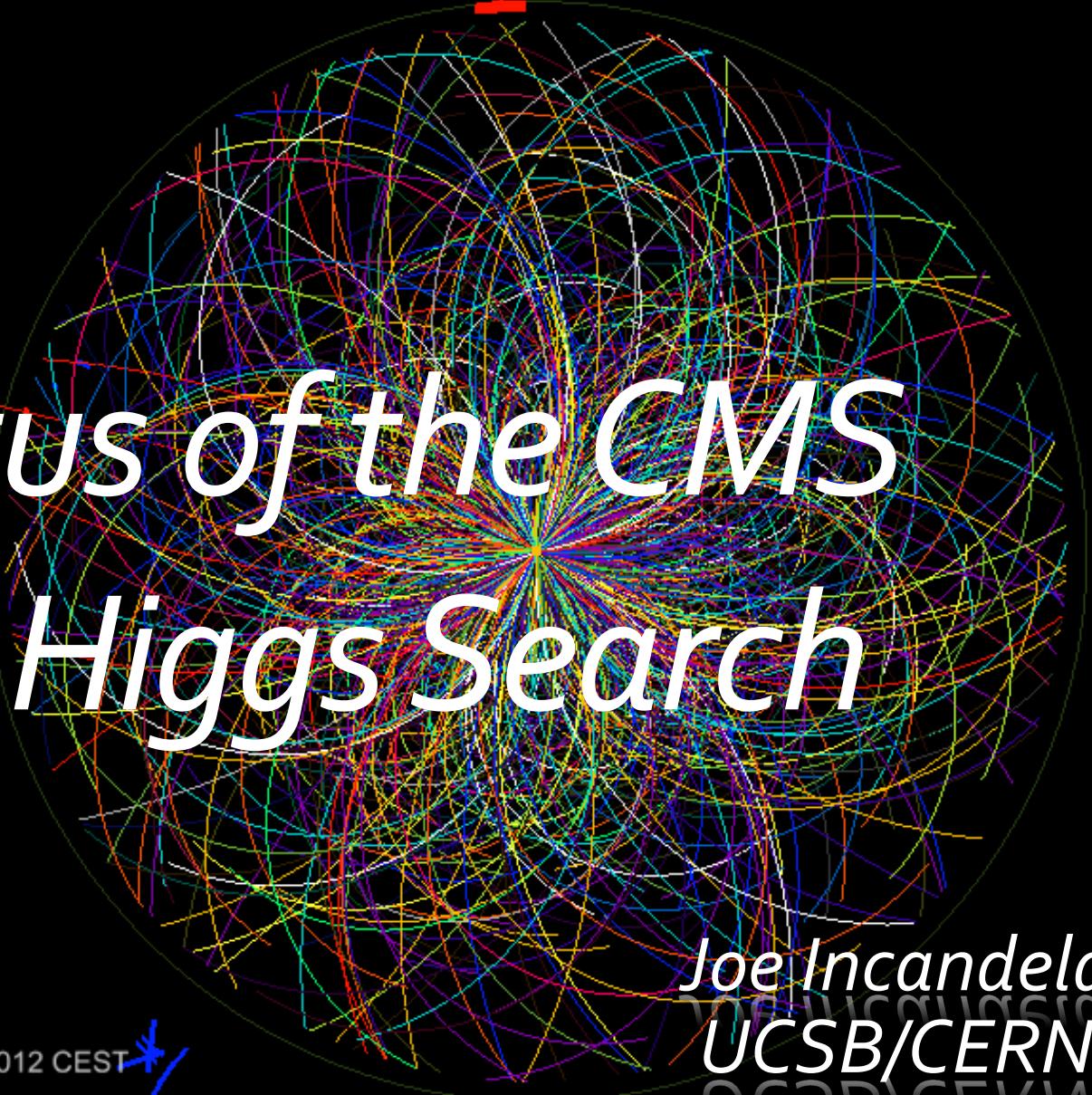




# *Status of the CMS SM Higgs Search*

A circular visualization representing a particle collision event. The background is black, and the collision point is at the center. Numerous colored lines (representing particle tracks) radiate outwards in all directions, forming a complex web. Some tracks are single-colored, while others are multi-colored, showing interactions between different particles. The colors include red, blue, green, yellow, purple, and orange.

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14 jets with  $E_T > 40$   
Estimated PU  $\sim 50$

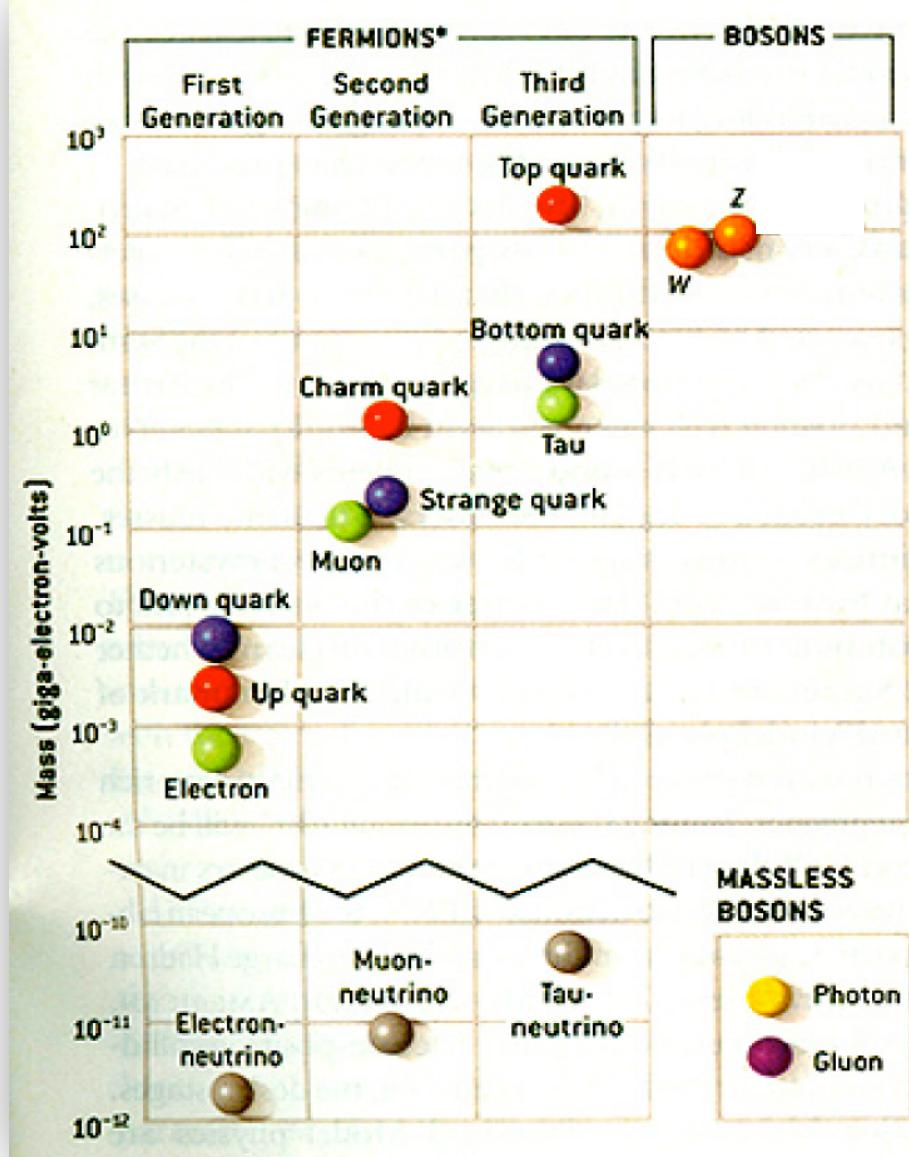
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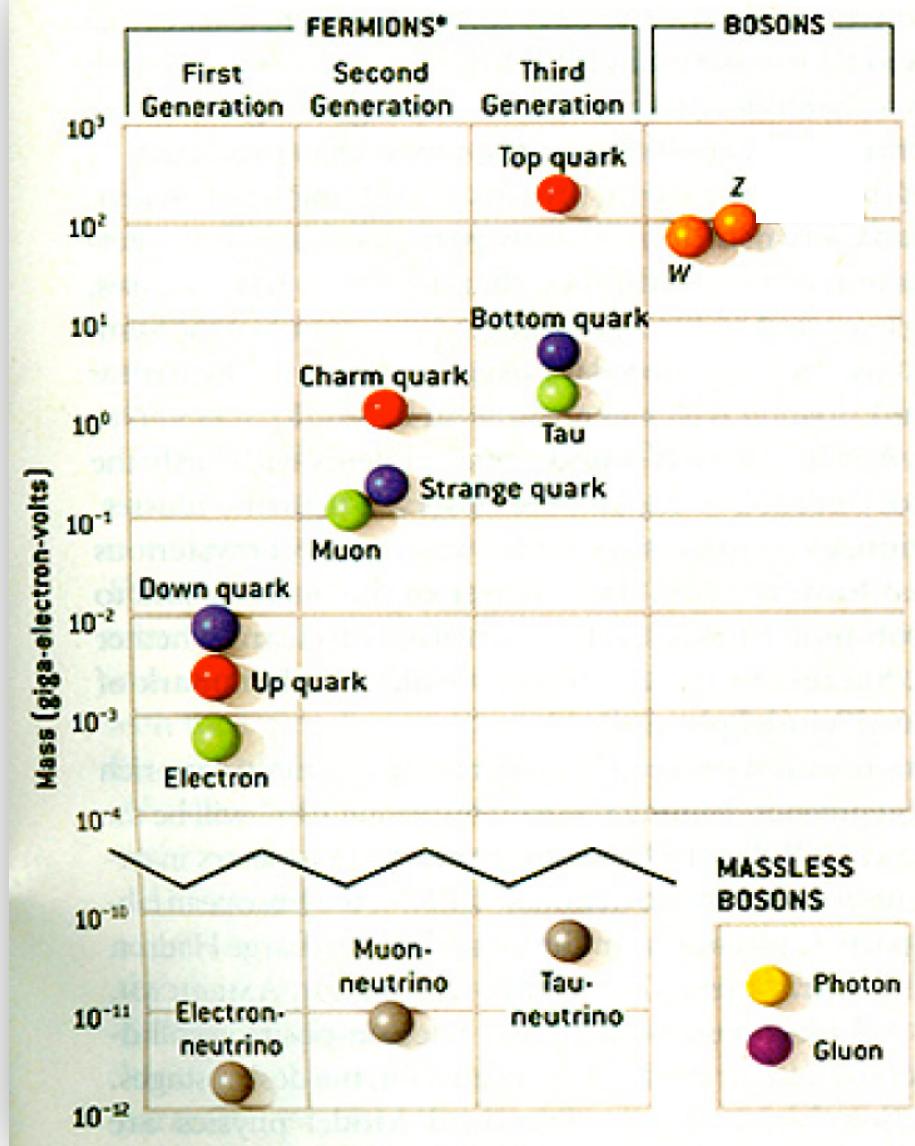
# On behalf of the CMS Collaboration



# The Standard Model



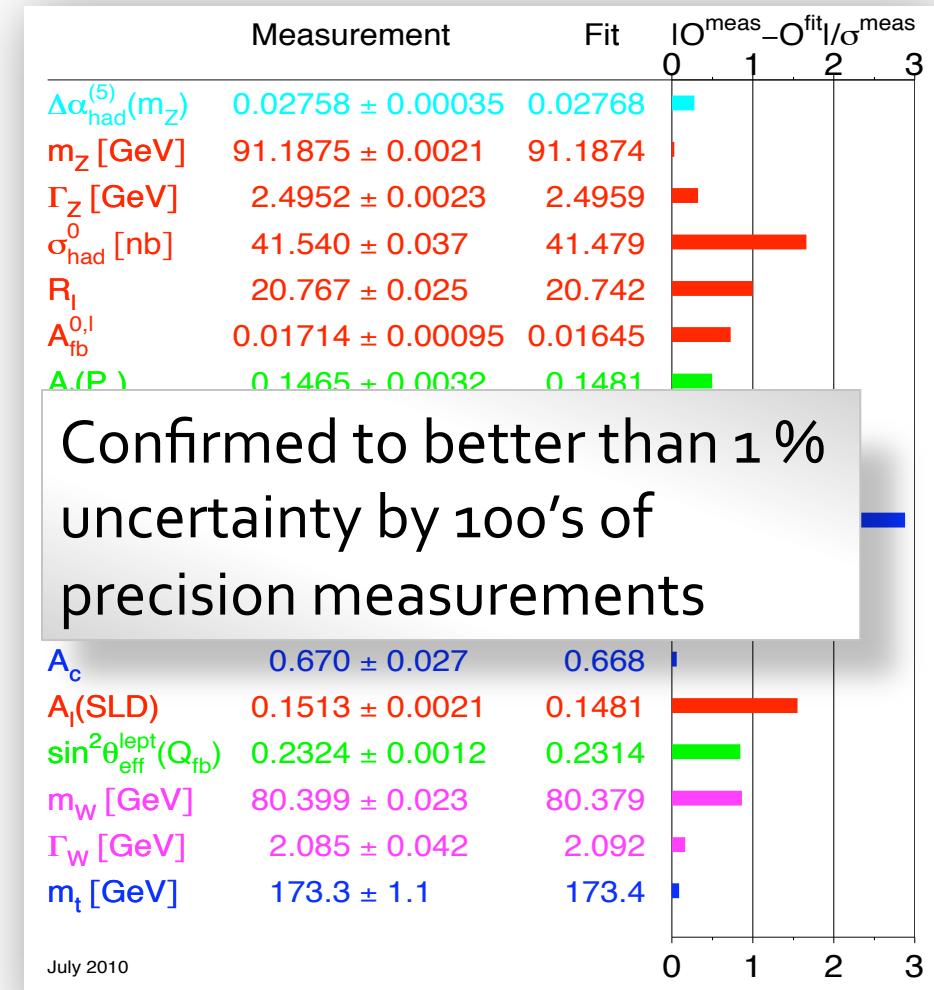
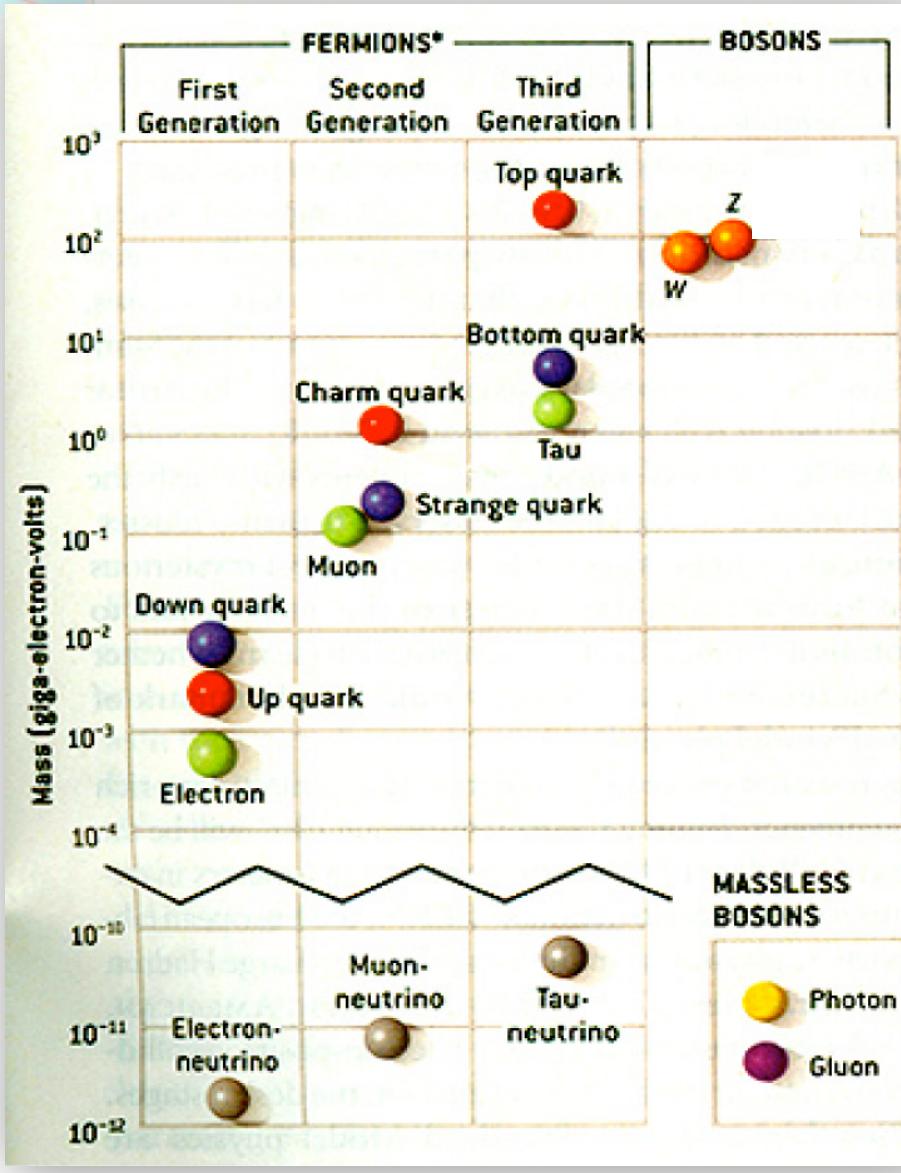
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$A_c$	$0.670 \pm 0.027$	0.668	0.4
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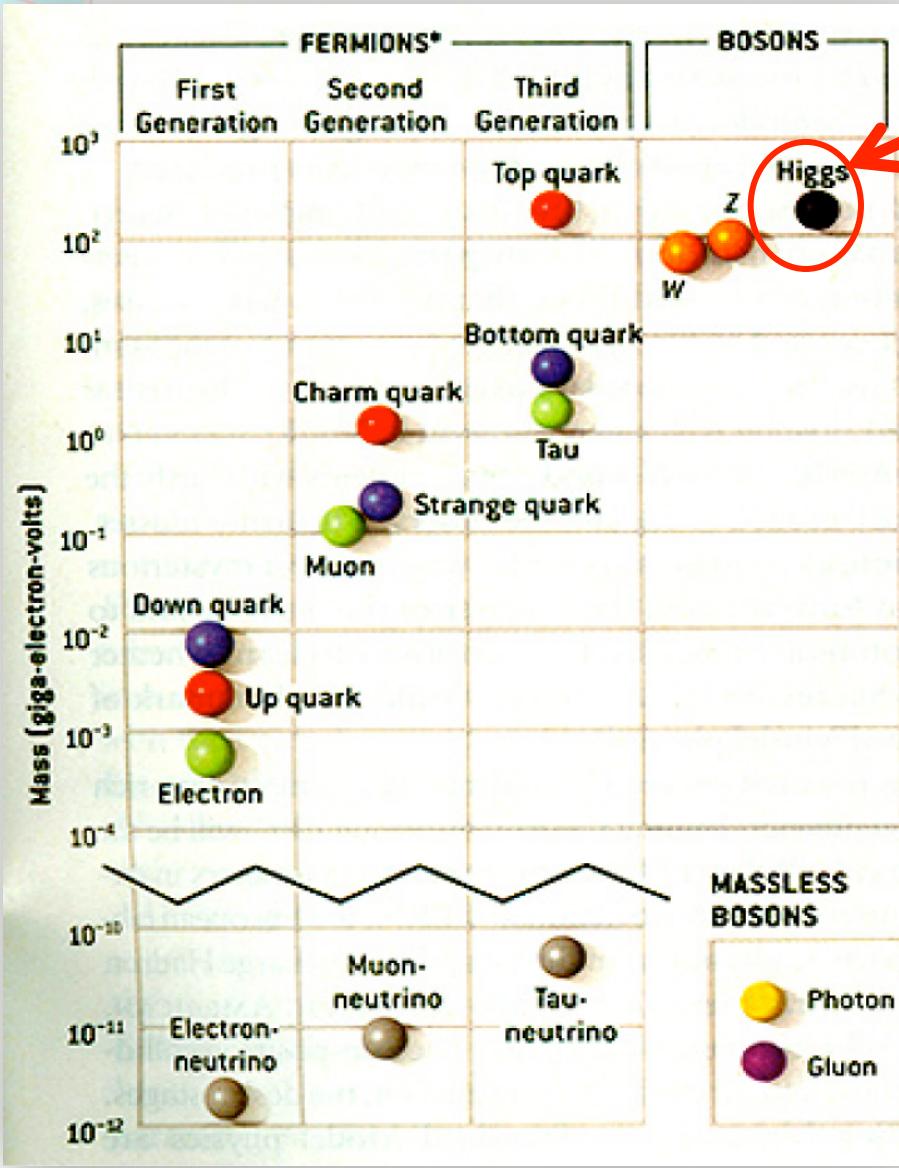
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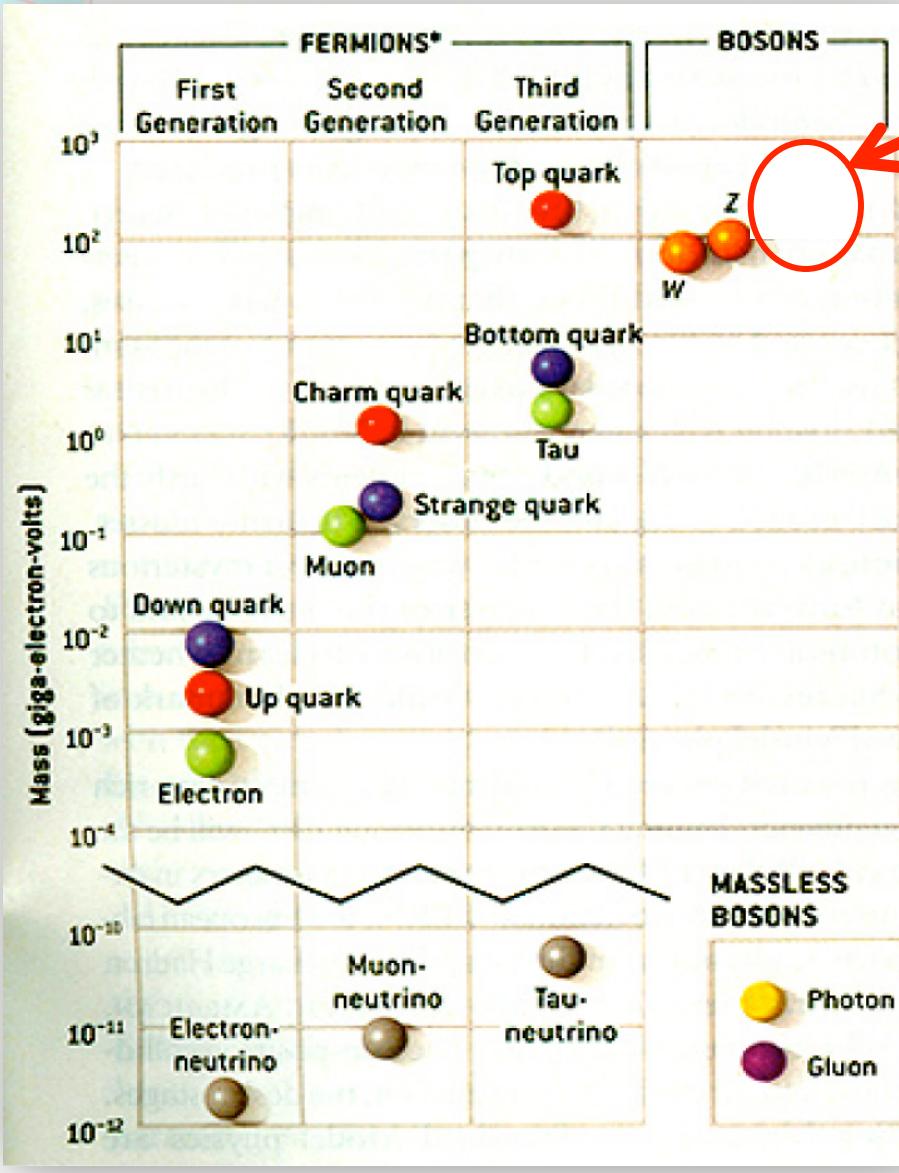
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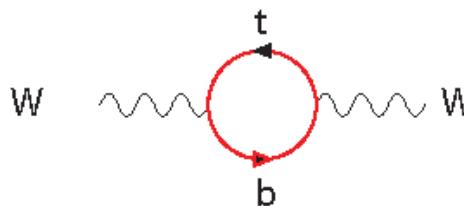
# Where we stood last week

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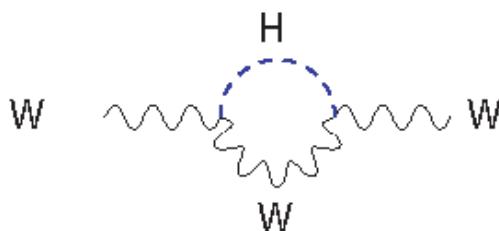
## 1. $M_{\text{top}}$ vs. $M_W$

- Tevatron  $M_W$  *Tour de Force!!*
  - $m_W = 80385 \pm 15$  MeV (World Ave – Mar 2012)
- Shifts for SM Higgs expectation

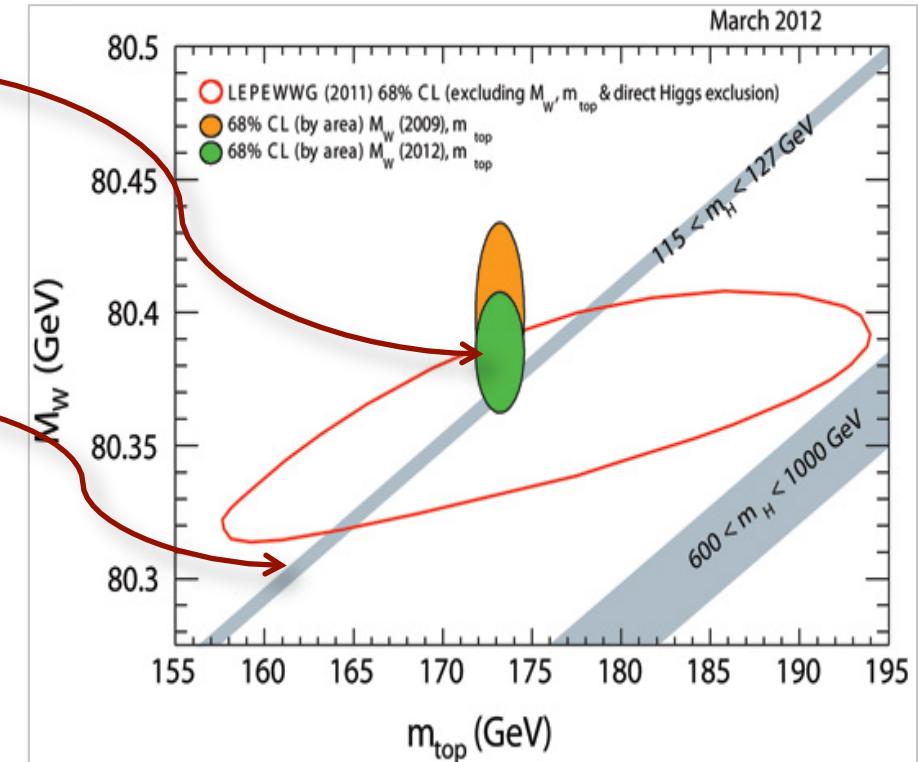
## 2. Colliders leave little space



$$\sim M_t^2$$



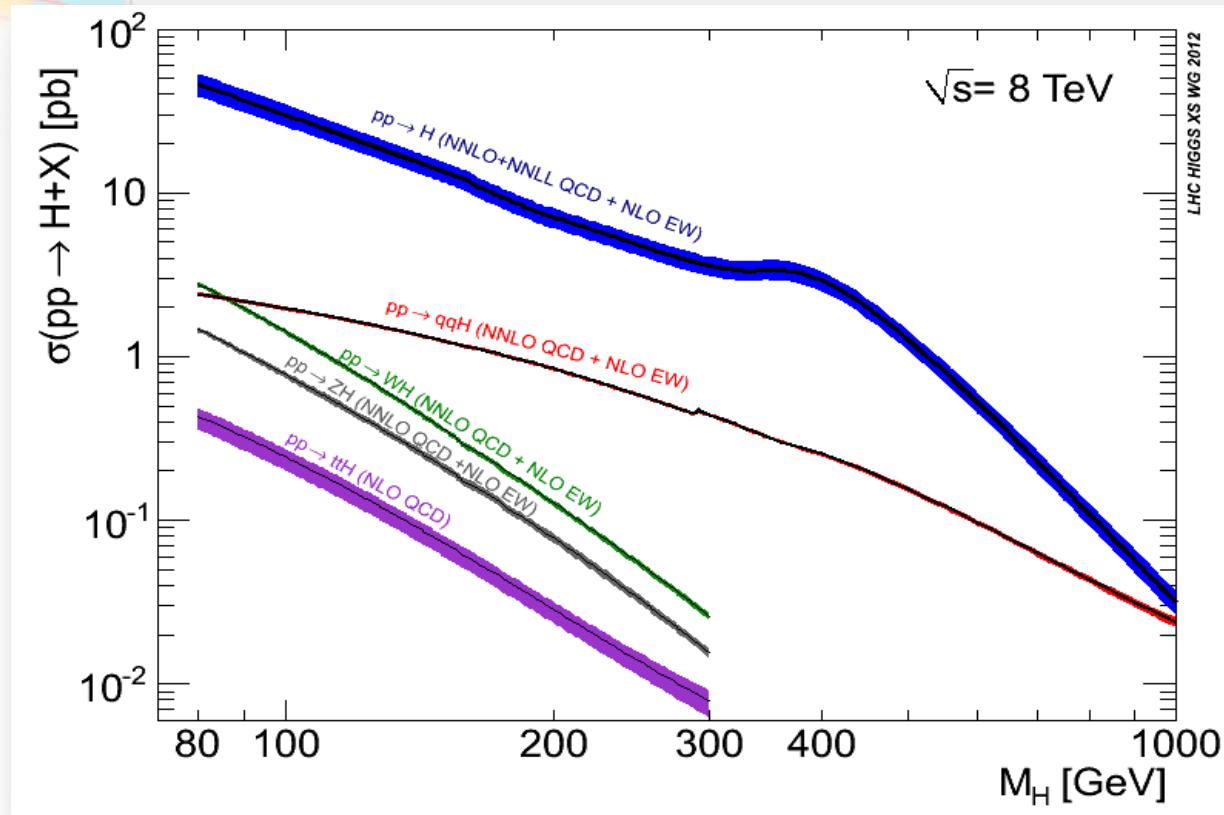
$$\sim \ln(m_H)$$



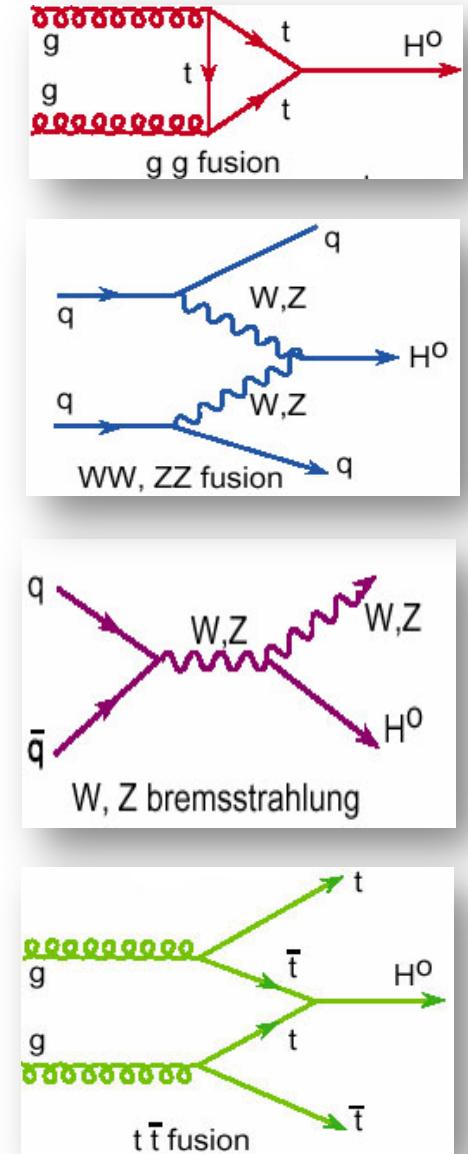
This is the main story of  
the past year

Eliminated ~475 GeV of the  
mass range.

# Higgs boson production

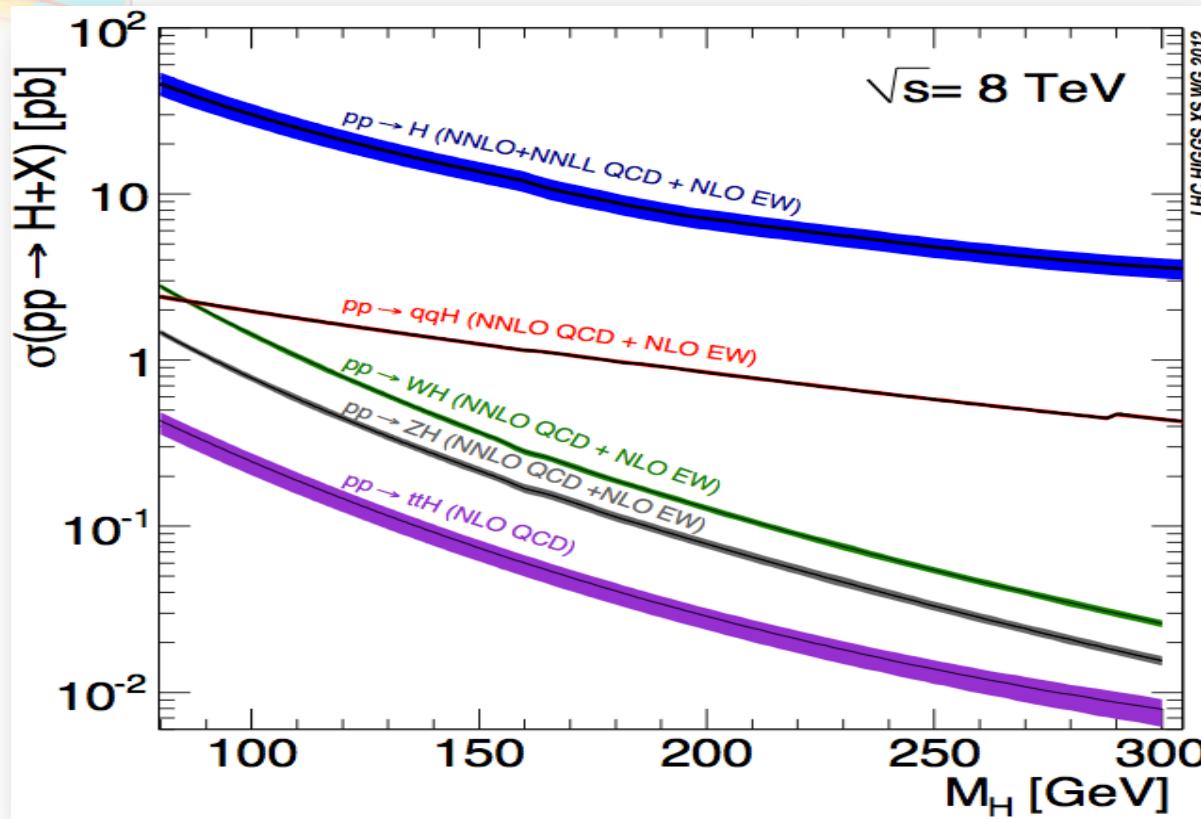


- $\sqrt{s}=8$  TeV: 25-30% higher  $\sigma$  than  $\sqrt{s}=7$  TeV at low  $m_H$
- All production modes to be exploited
  - gg VBF VH ttH
- Latter 3 have smaller cross sections but better S/B in many cases

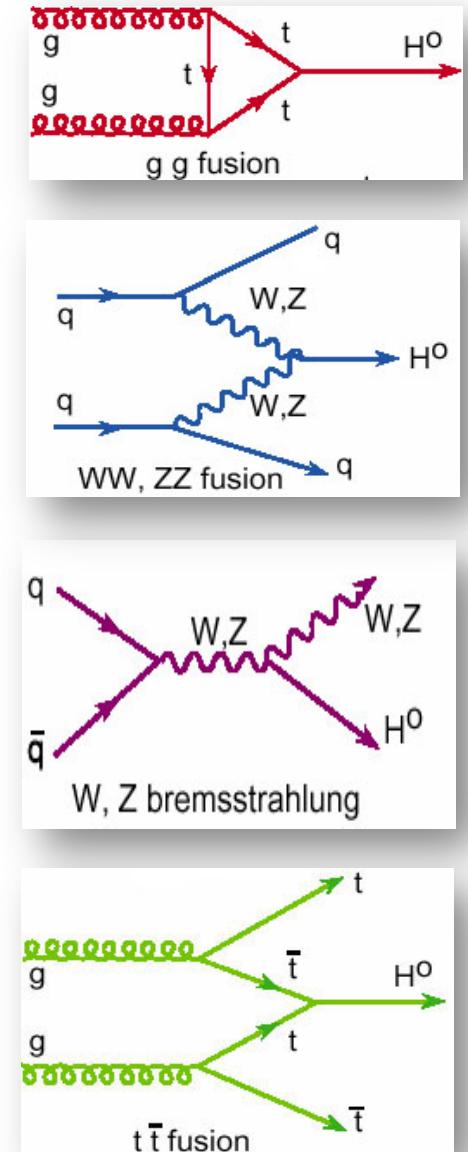




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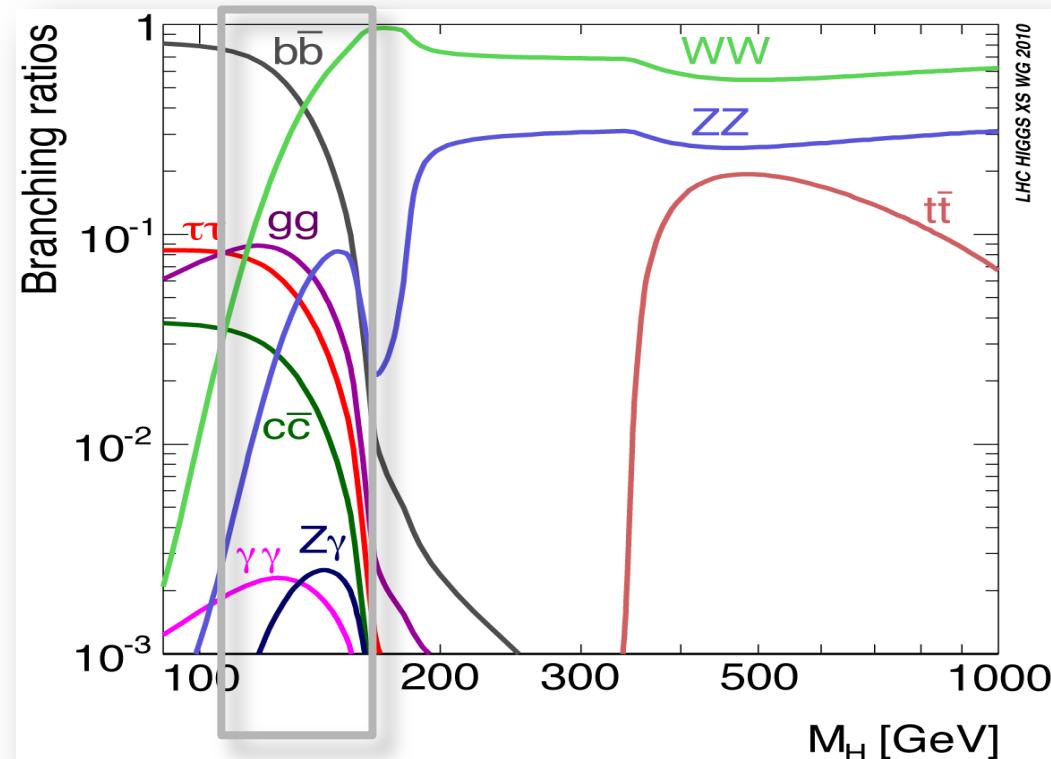
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## 5 decay modes exploited

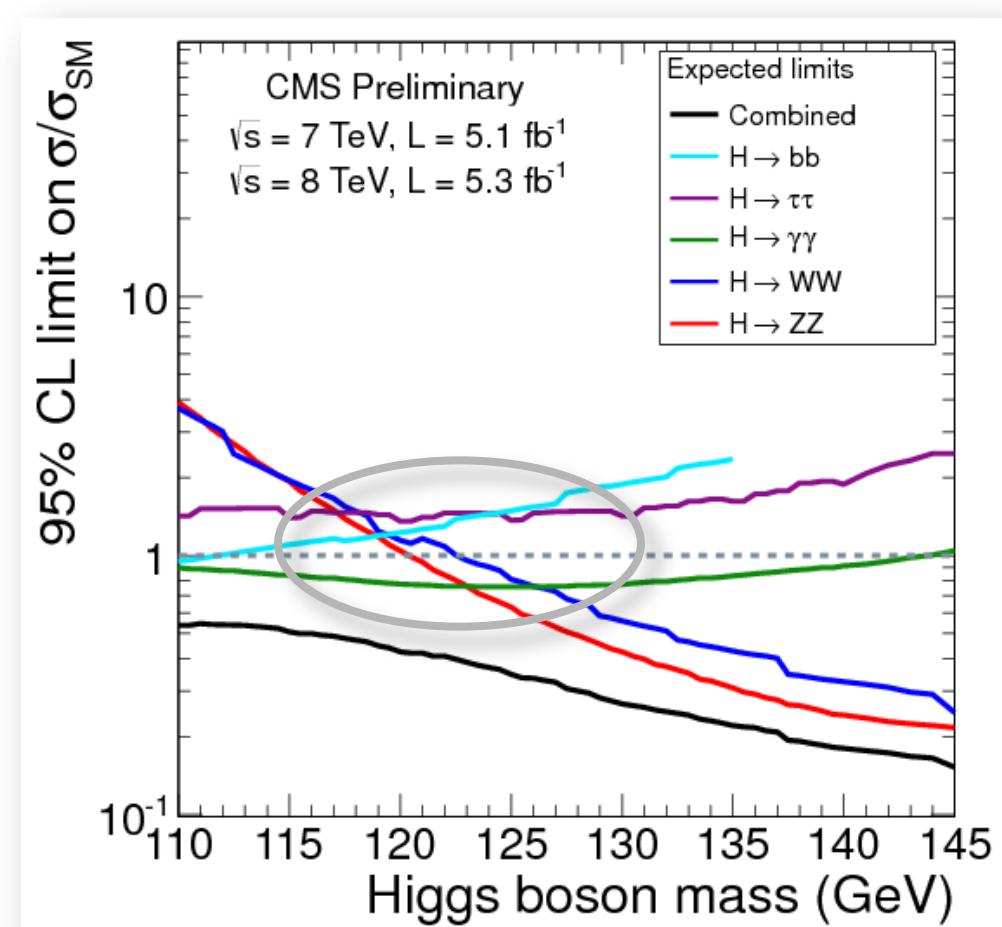
- High mass: WW, ZZ
- Low mass: bb,  $\tau\tau$ , WW, ZZ,  $\gamma\gamma$
- Low mass region is very rich but also very challenging:  
main decay modes (bb,  $\tau\tau$ ) are hard to identify in the huge background
- Very good mass resolution (1%):  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$

# Higgs boson decays



# CMS Exclusion Potential

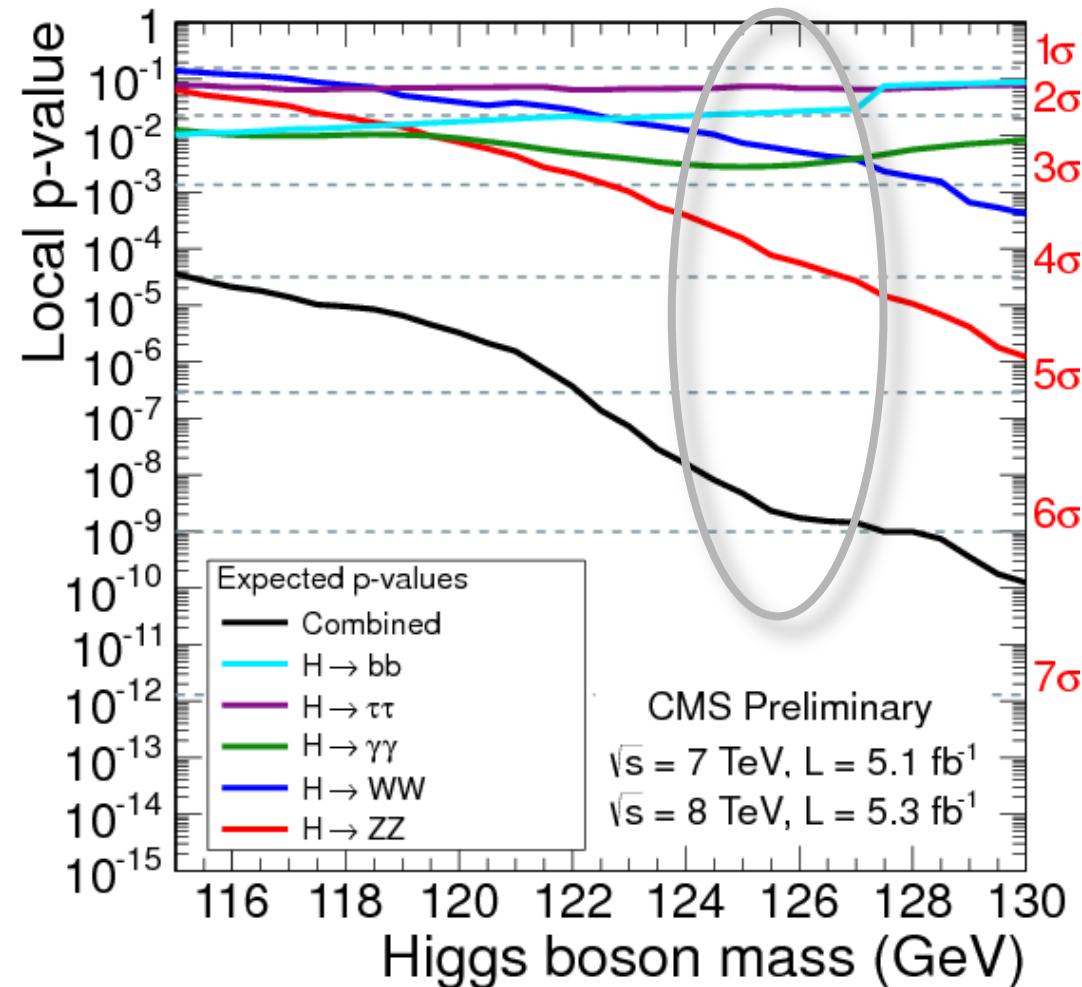
- Not-yet-excluded region:  
~[115-130] GeV
- The five decay modes discussed today have comparable sensitivities for exclusion.
- Most analyses used in this combination have been re-optimized. In order to avoid the possibility of an unintended bias, all selection criteria in the analyses of the 2011 and 2012 data were fixed before looking at the result in the signal region.



# CMS Discovery potential

## p-values

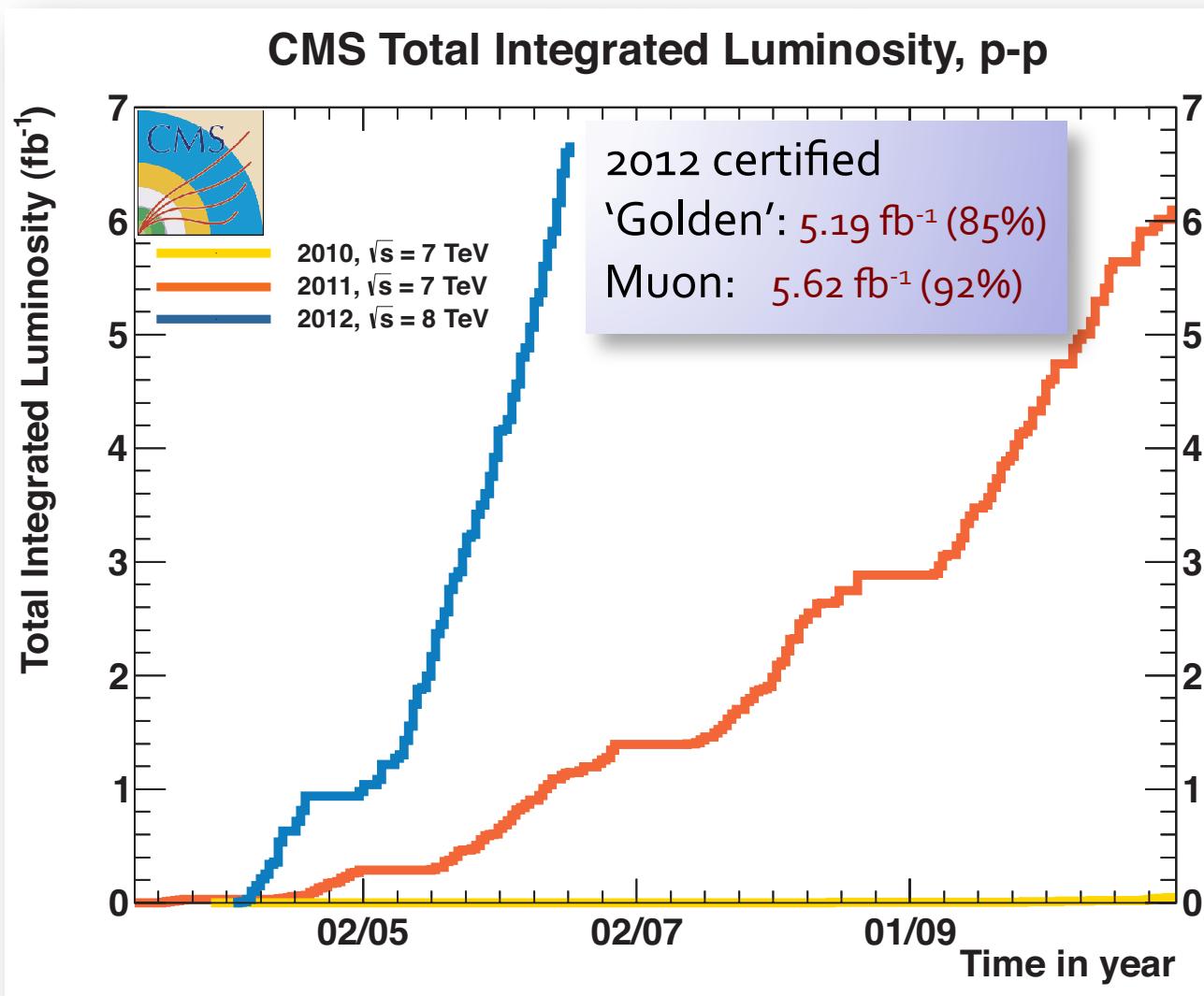
- Probability that background fluctuates to give an excess as large as the (average) signal size expected for a SM Higgs.
- Takes into account all analysis steps, estimated backgrounds, etc. for the 5 search channels indicated.
- Excellent prospects for exploring properties





# How is it possible to go so far so fast?

## LHC performance: 2010-2011-**2012**



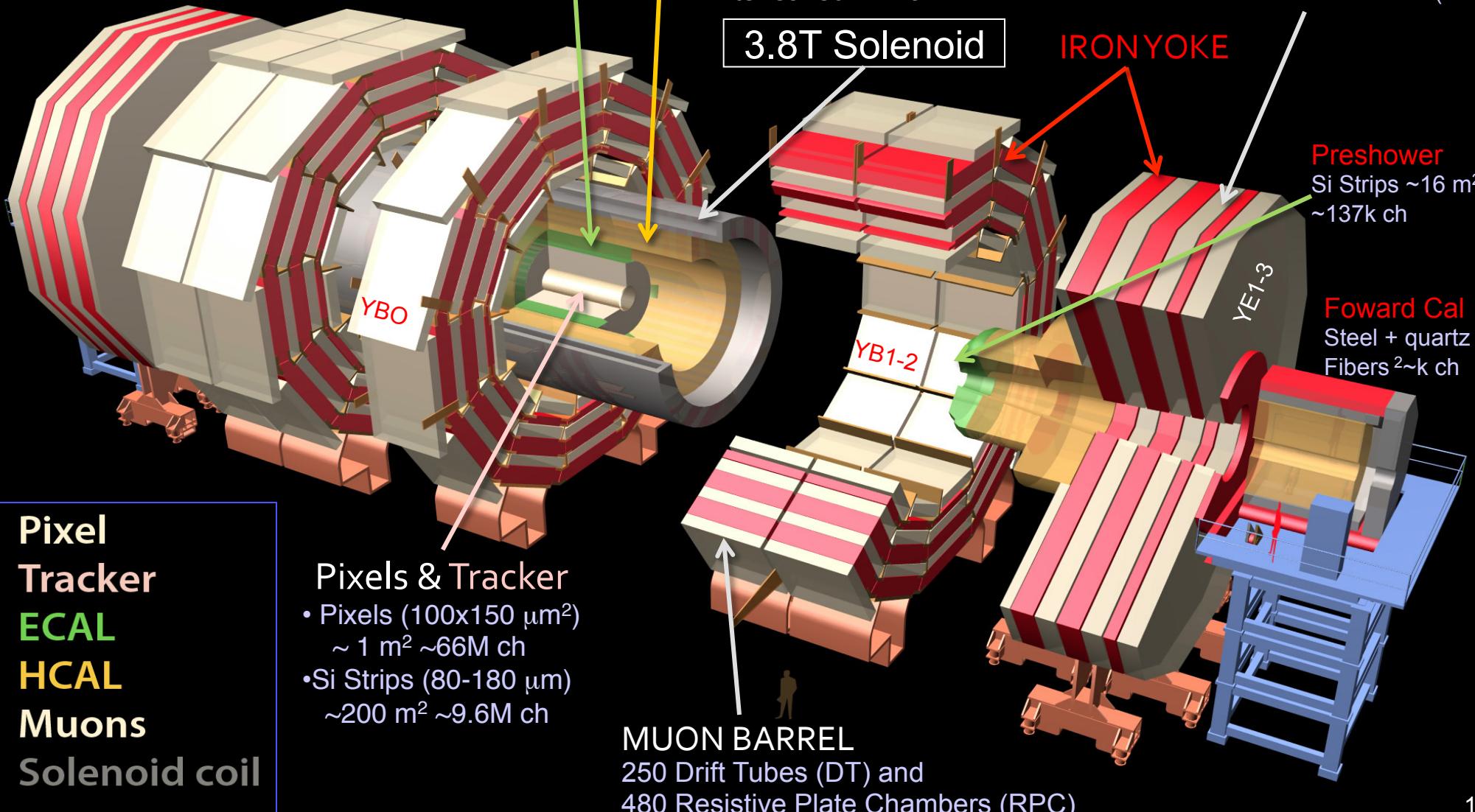
Stellar performance of the LHC enables all experiments to produce significant physics results

*Many thanks to the LHC teams and the many others who made this possible!*

MUON ENDCAPS

473 Cathode Strip Chambers (CSC)  
432 Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC)

**Total weight** 14000 t  
**Overall diameter** 15 m  
**Overall length** 28.7 m



**Pixel**  
**Tracker**  
**ECAL**  
**HCAL**  
**Muons**  
**Solenoid coil**

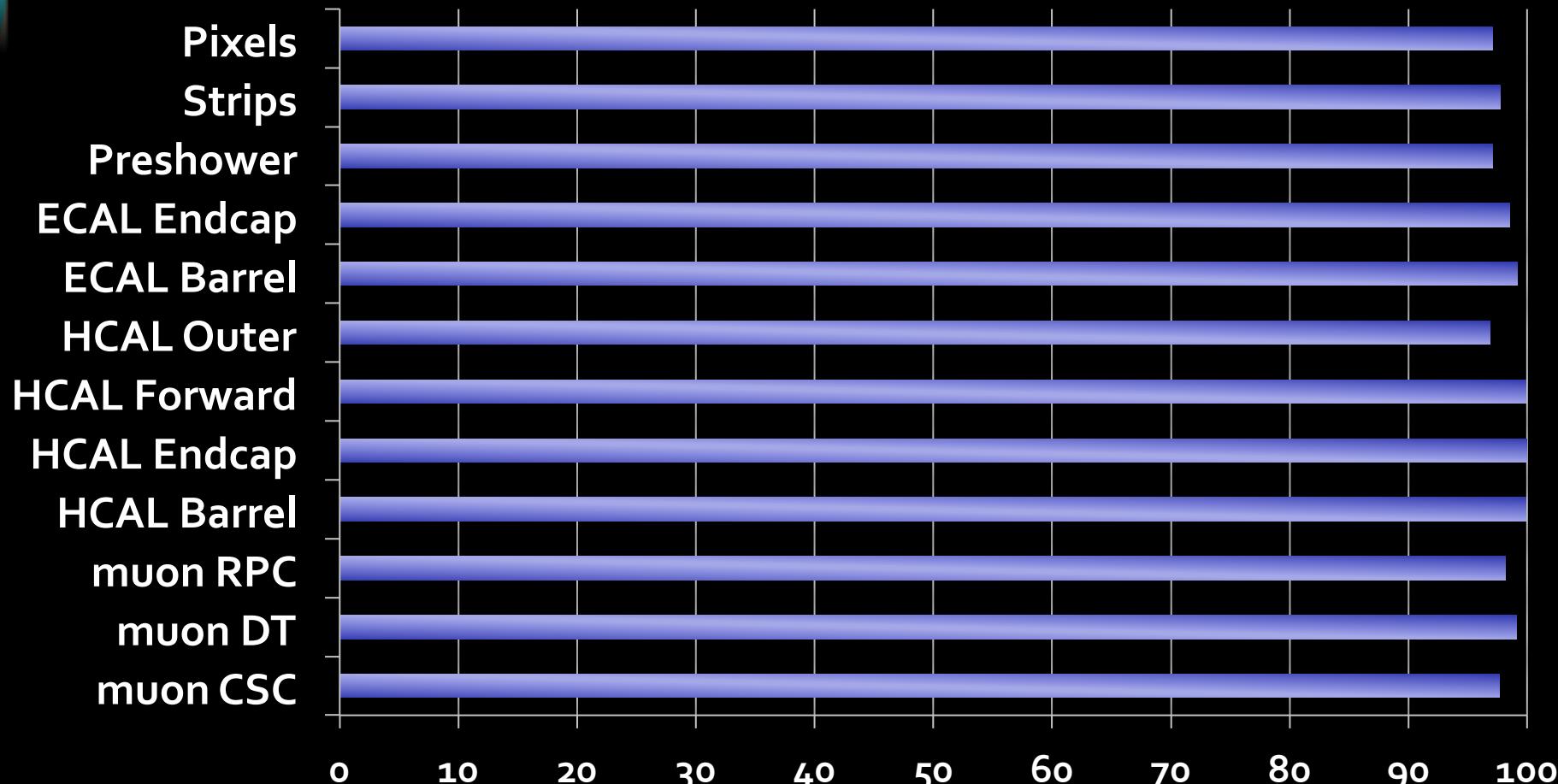
**Pixels & Tracker**

- Pixels (100x150  $\mu\text{m}^2$ ) ~ 1 m<sup>2</sup> ~66M ch
- Si Strips (80-180  $\mu\text{m}$ ) ~200 m<sup>2</sup> ~9.6M ch

**MUON BARREL**  
 250 Drift Tubes (DT) and  
 480 Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC)



# Current Operational Status\*

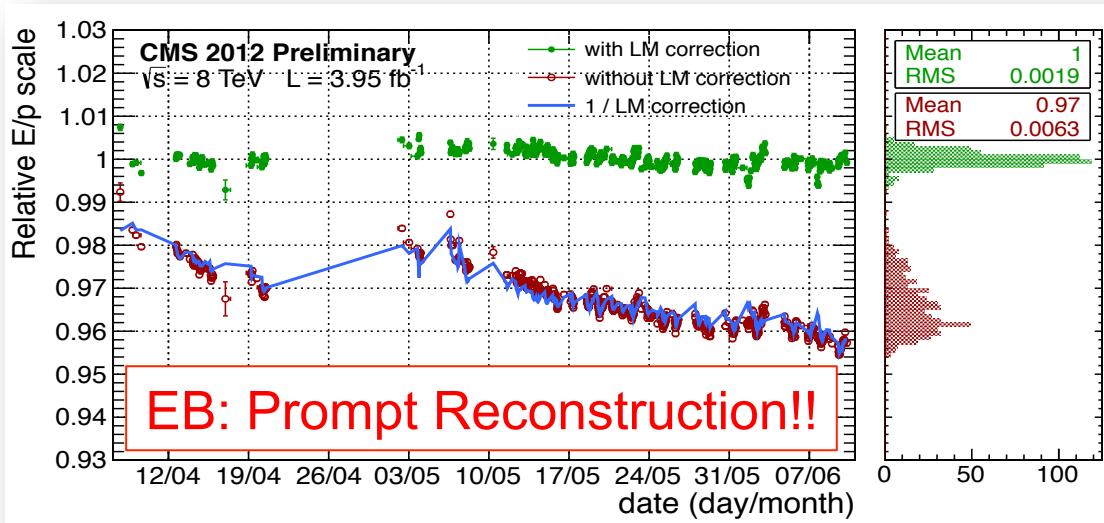


Pixel Tracker	Strip Tracker	Preshower	ECAL Barrel	ECAL Endcaps	HCAL Barrel	HCAL Endcaps	HCAL Forward	HCAL Outer	Muon DT	Muon CSC	Muon RPC
97.1%	97.75%	97.1%	99.16%	98.54%	99.92%	99.96%	99.88%	96.88%	99.1%	97.67%	98.2%

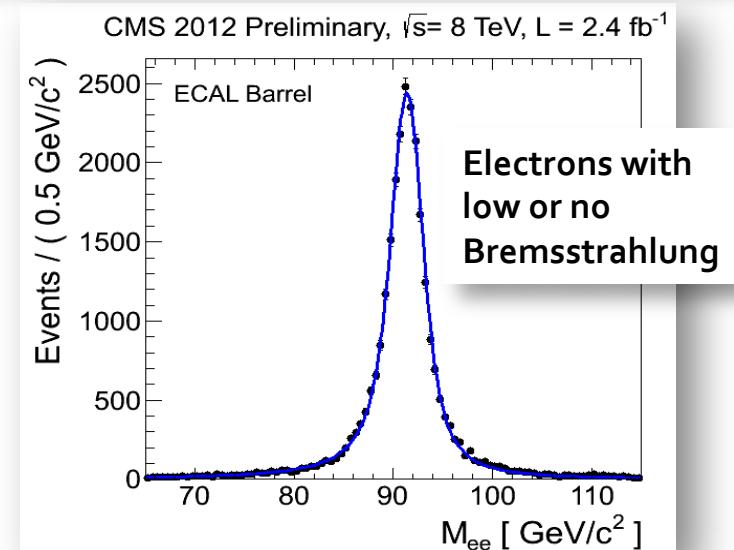
\*As of June 15 2012

# ECAL calibration, 2012 data

Single electron energy scale (E/p) stability  
in barrel measured with  $W \rightarrow e\nu$  events



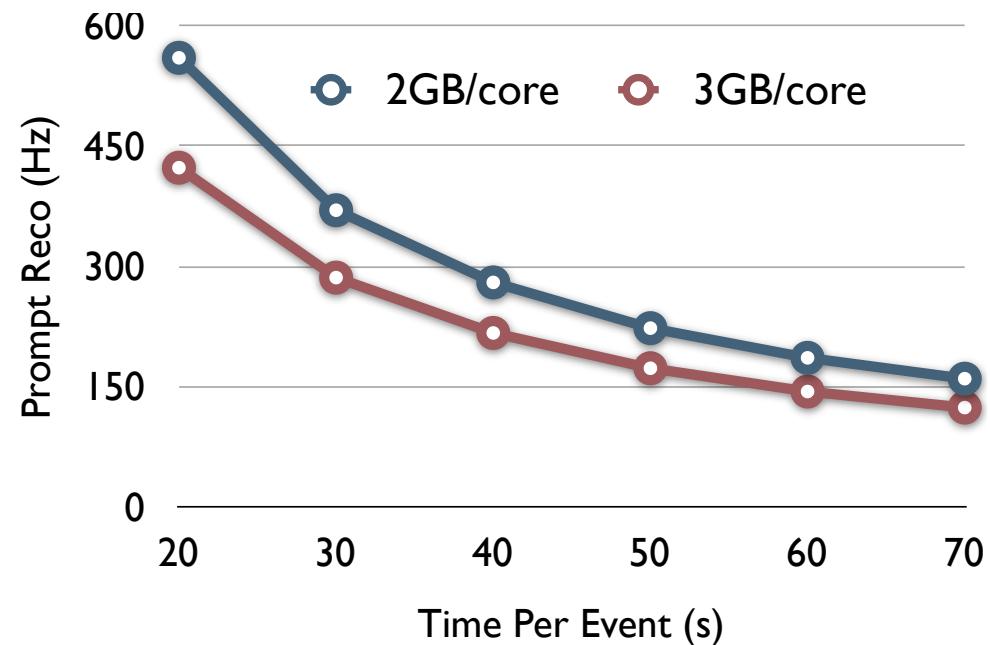
$Z \rightarrow ee$  invariant mass distribution for electrons measured in the barrel



- $W \rightarrow e\nu$  E/p: Stable E scale during 2012 run after light monitoring (LM) corrections:
  - ECAL Barrel (EB): RMS stability after corrections 0.19%
- $Z \rightarrow ee$ : Good resolution with preliminary energy calibration for 2012:
  - Instrumental resolution: 1.0 GeV in ECAL Barrel

# CMS Preparations for 8 TeV and high PU in 2012

- Last Autumn
  - cpu time for high PU >40 sec/event
  - Memory usage well above 2 GB.
    - Means we cannot use all the cores!
  - Even 200 Hz looked hard!
- Task force started December
  - Major success!
- Improvements
  - A factor 2.5 in speed
    - Under ~15" per event on average
  - Much reduced memory use
    - Well under 2 GB
- Physics performance unchanged
  - Kept our AAA rating:
    - E.g. no explicit  $p_T$  threshold on tracks



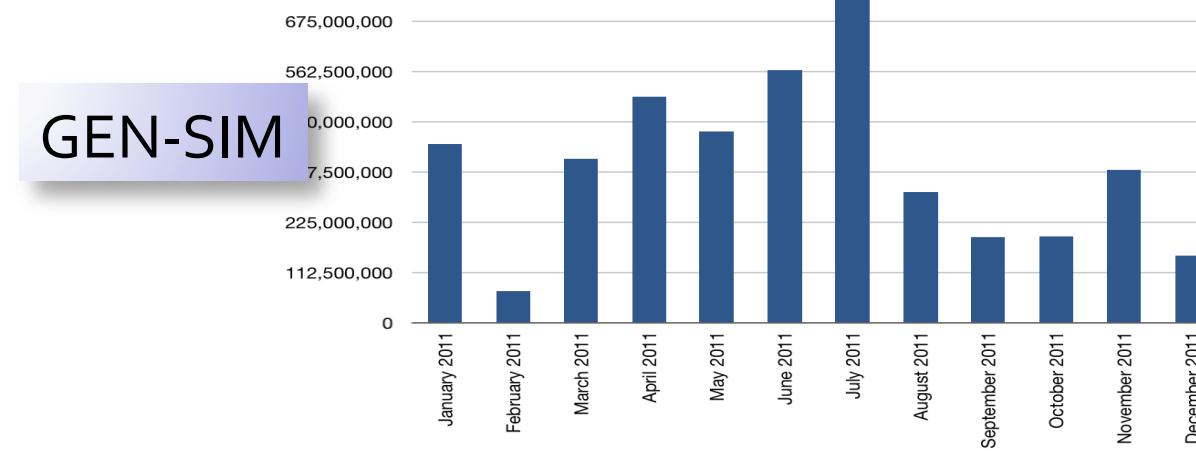
Prompt Reconstruction at Tier-0:  
*Limit on our data-taking rate versus event processing time for low and high memory use cases*



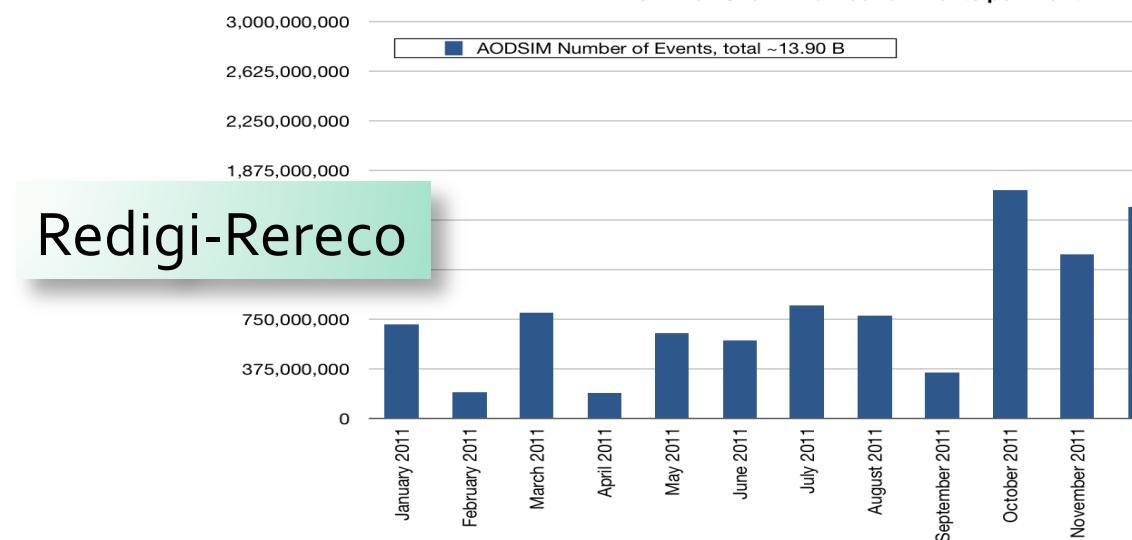
# MC Production Capabilities

- Sustain 400M/Month
  - 900M, 600M past 2 months but had help from Tier-1's
- Sustain 1B/month
  - Peaks high as 2.3B

GEN-SIM



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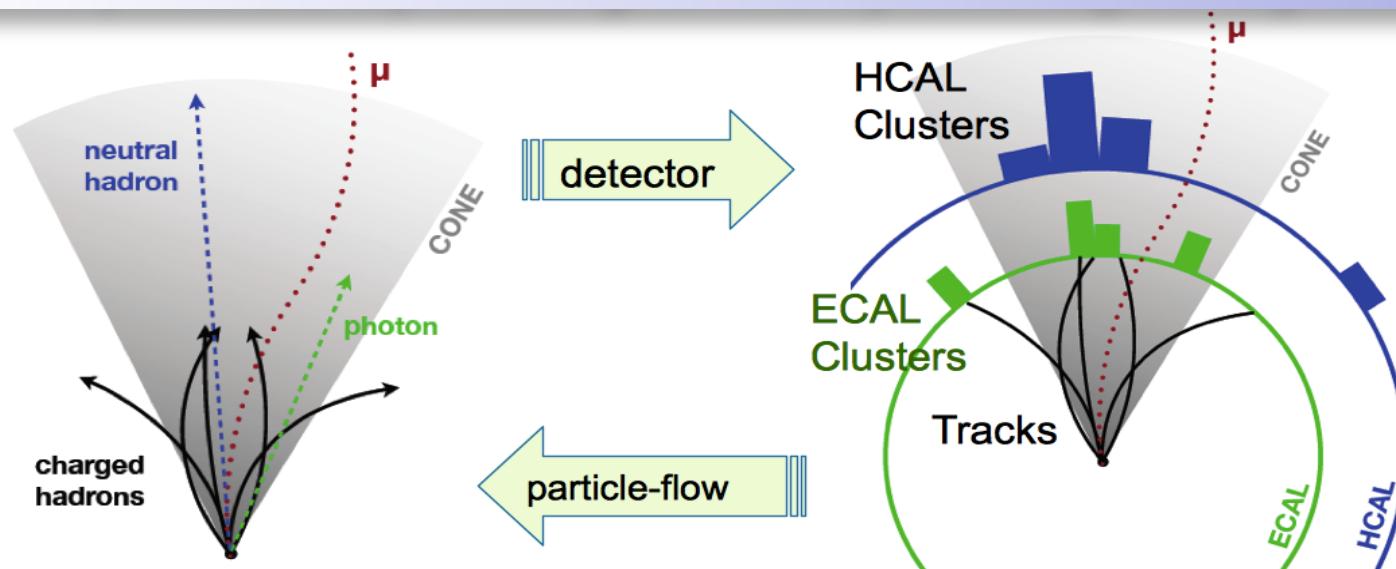


# *Reconstruction*

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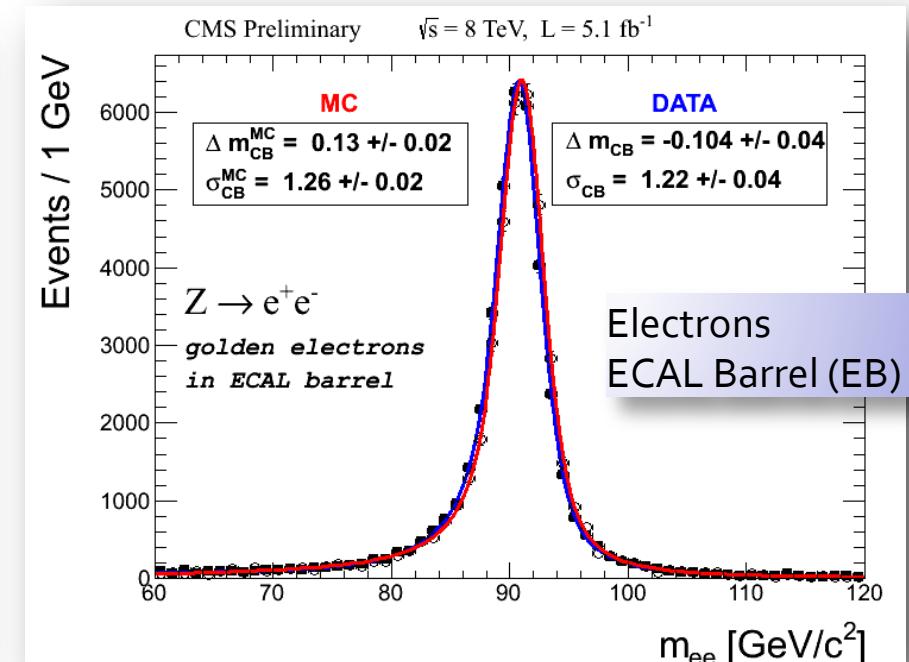
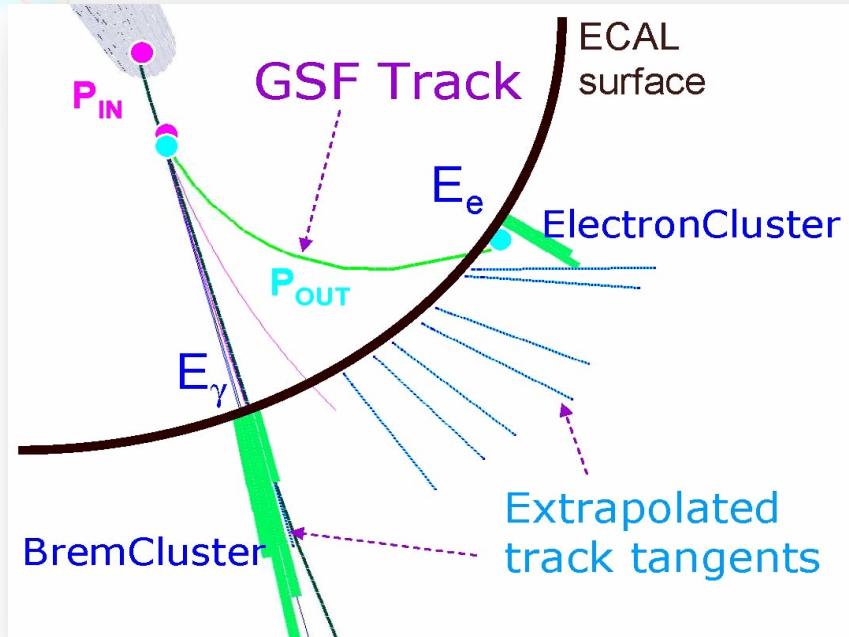
# Global Event Description (Pflow)

Made possible by CMS granularity and high magnetic field



- Optimal combination of information from all subdetectors
- Returns a list of reconstructed particles
  - $e, \mu, \gamma, \text{ charged and neutral hadrons}$ 
    - Used in the analysis as if it came from a list of generated particles
    - Used as building blocks for jets, taus , missing transverse energy , isolation and PU particle identification

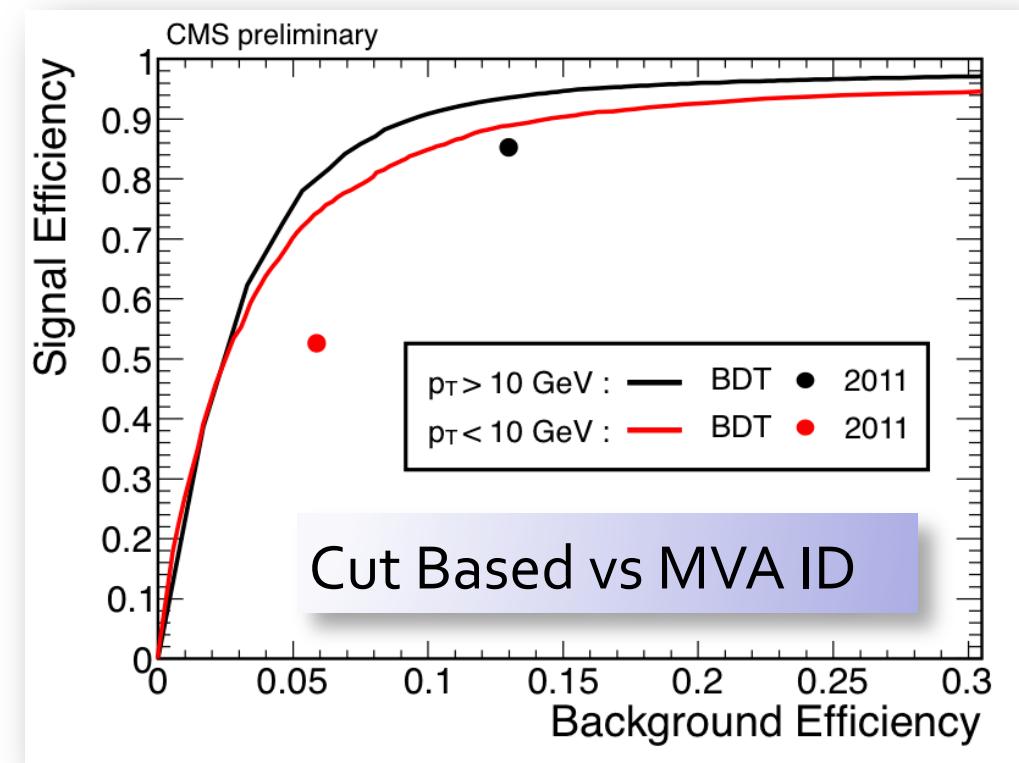
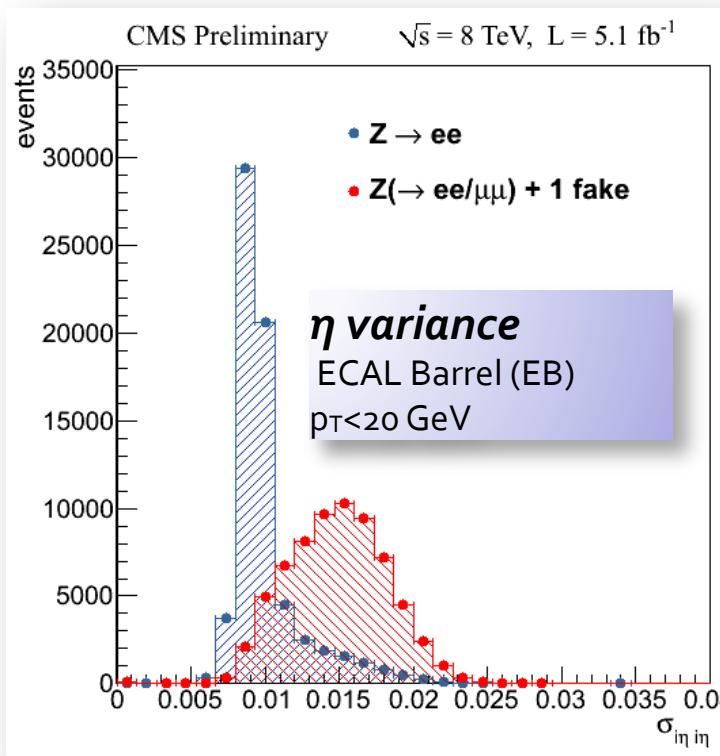
# Electron/Photon reconstruction



- Cluster reconstruction in ECAL
  - Common for both electrons and photons (Electrons also reconstructed as photons)
  - Designed to collect bremsstrahlung and conversions in extended phi region
- Dedicated track reconstruction for electrons
  - Gaussian Sum Filter allows for tracks w/large bremsstrahlung
- Photon identification specific to  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Energy scale and resolution
  - Extensive control with  $Z$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow ee$  for both electrons and photons

# Electron identification

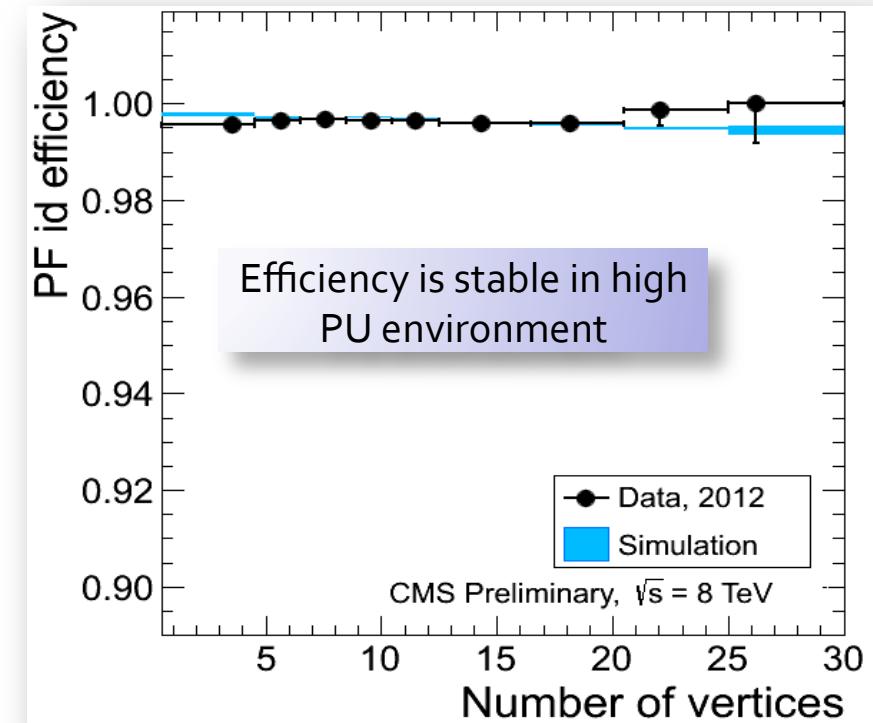
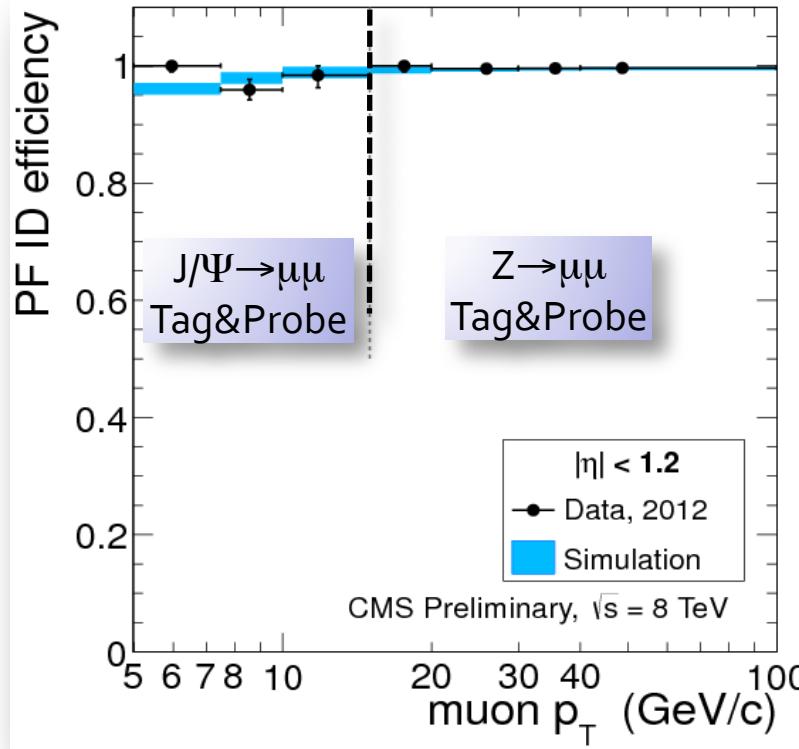
- Multivariate e identification in 2012
  - ECAL, tracker, ECAL-tracker-HCAL matching, impact parameter
  - 30% efficiency improvement in  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4e$  wrt cut based ID
- Multivariate training against background in data



# Muon reconstruction and identification

- Start with particle flow muons
- Efficiency above 96% down to  $p_T = 5$  GeV
  - Above 99% efficiency for  $p_T > 10$  GeV
  - Efficiency in data using  $J/\Psi$  and  $Z$  peak

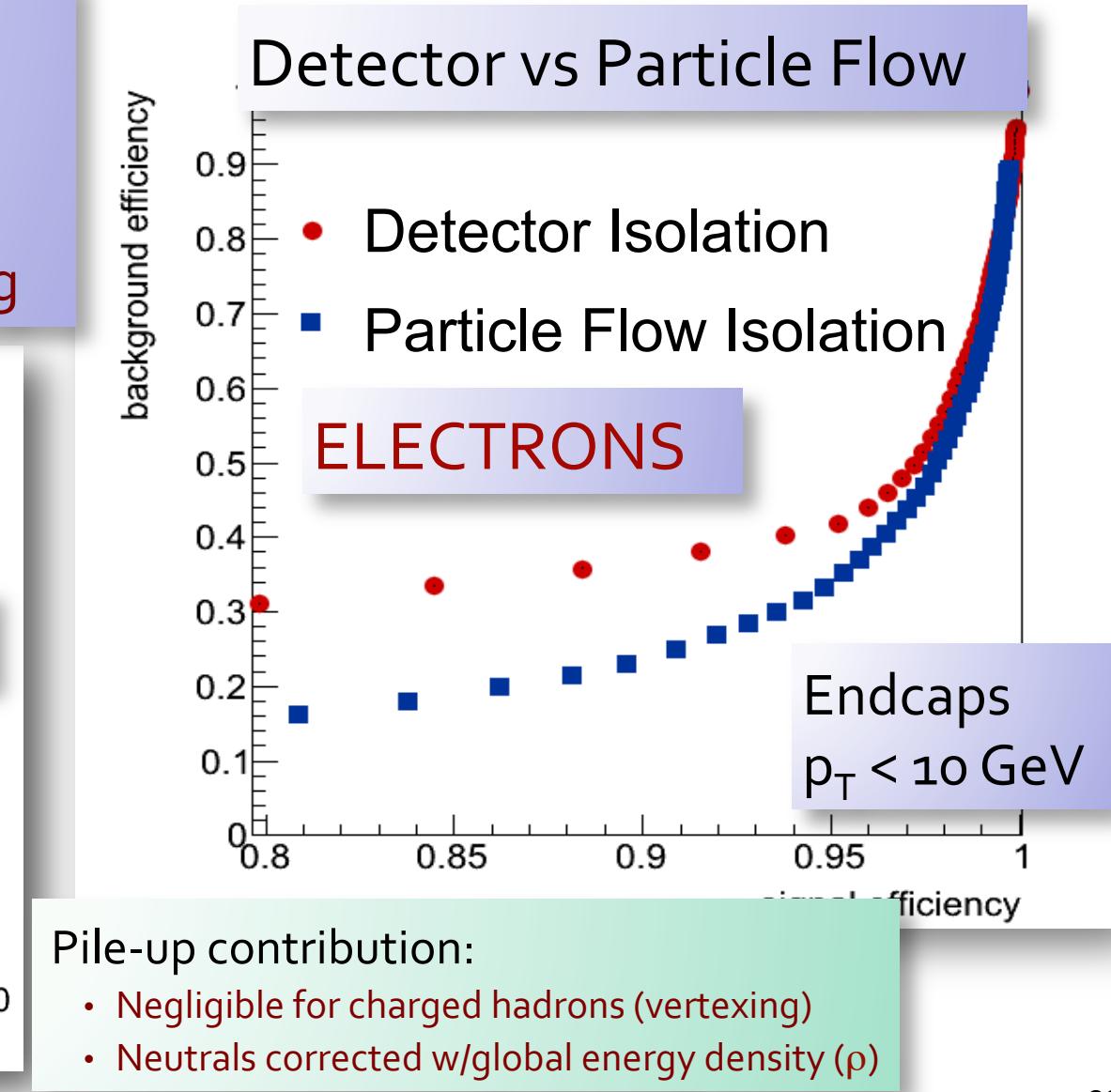
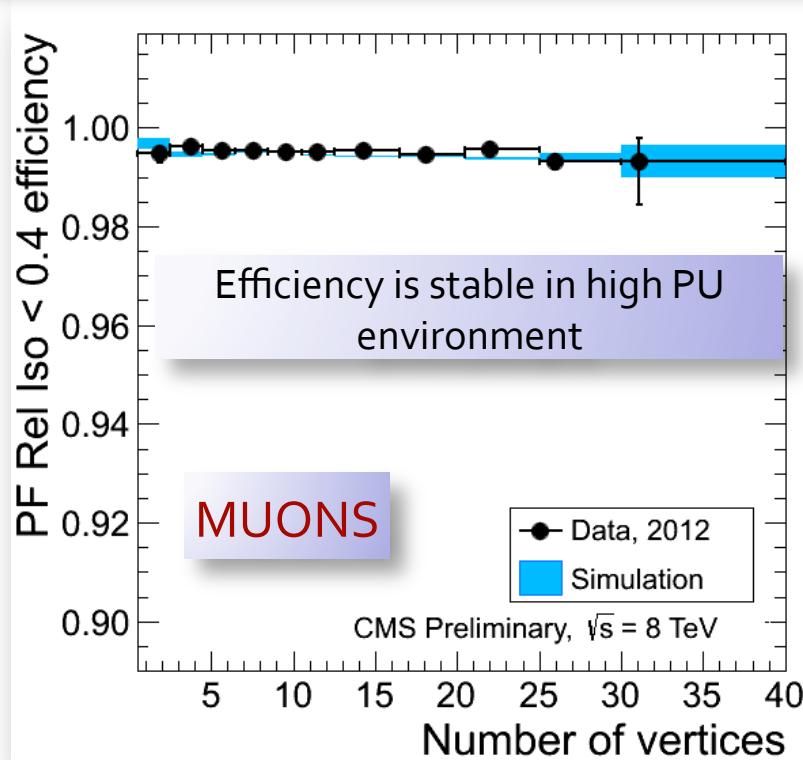
Tighter quality criteria applied in some analyses



# Particle-based isolation

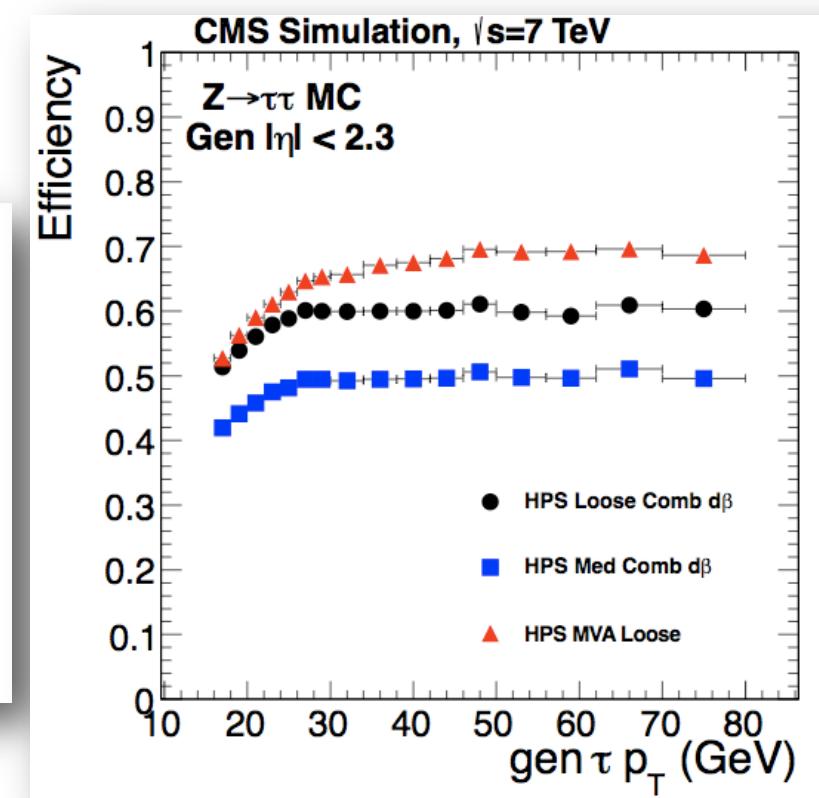
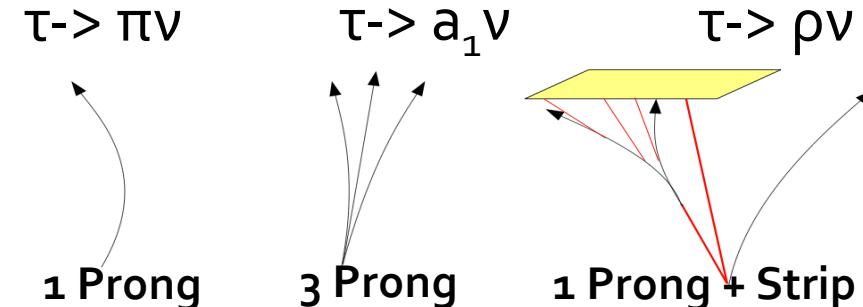
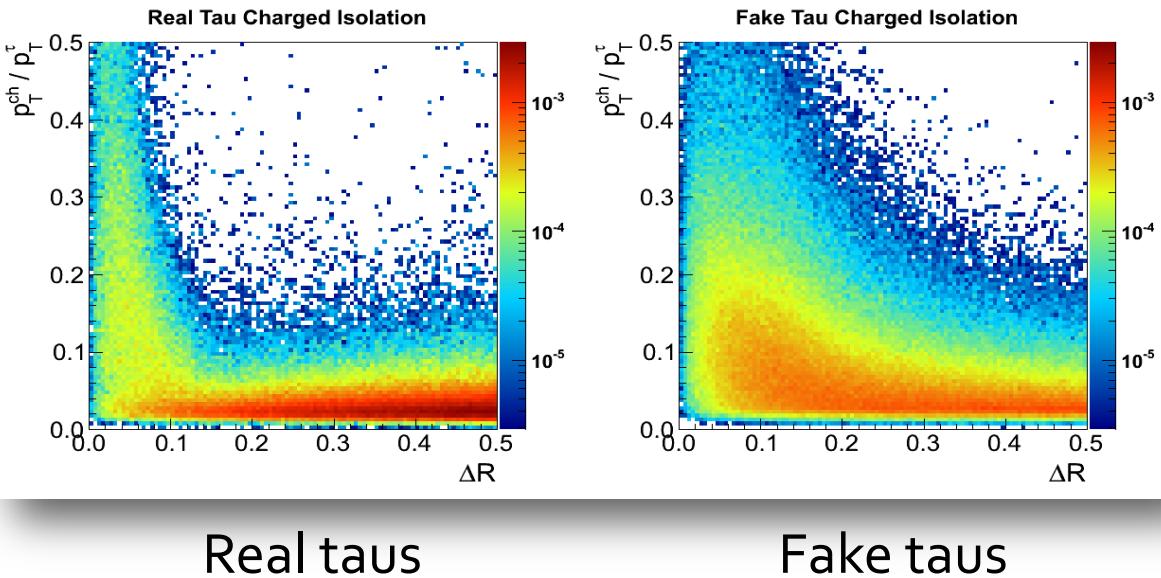
Sum energy of particles in  $\Delta R$  cone around the lepton

- Global event description eliminates double counting



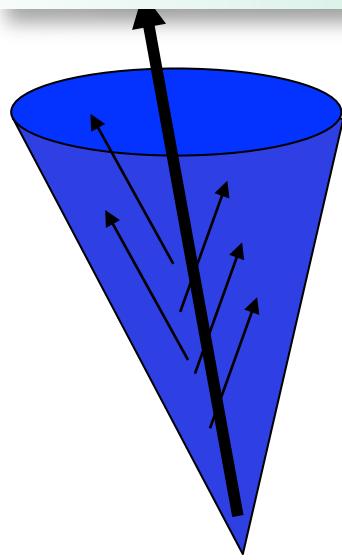
# Tau Identification

- Tau identification:
  - Reconstruct individual decay modes
  - Charged hadrons + electromagnetic obj
    - EM strips account for material effects
- Tau isolation:
  - Multivariate discriminator using sum of energy deposits in dR rings around the tau

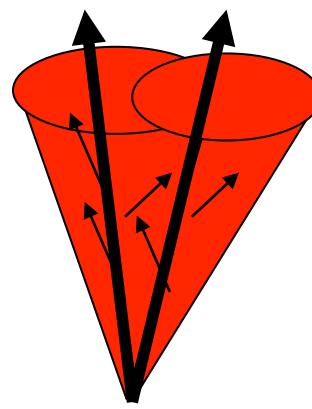


# Jet Identification

- Jet reconstruction
  - Reconstruction with particle flow objects

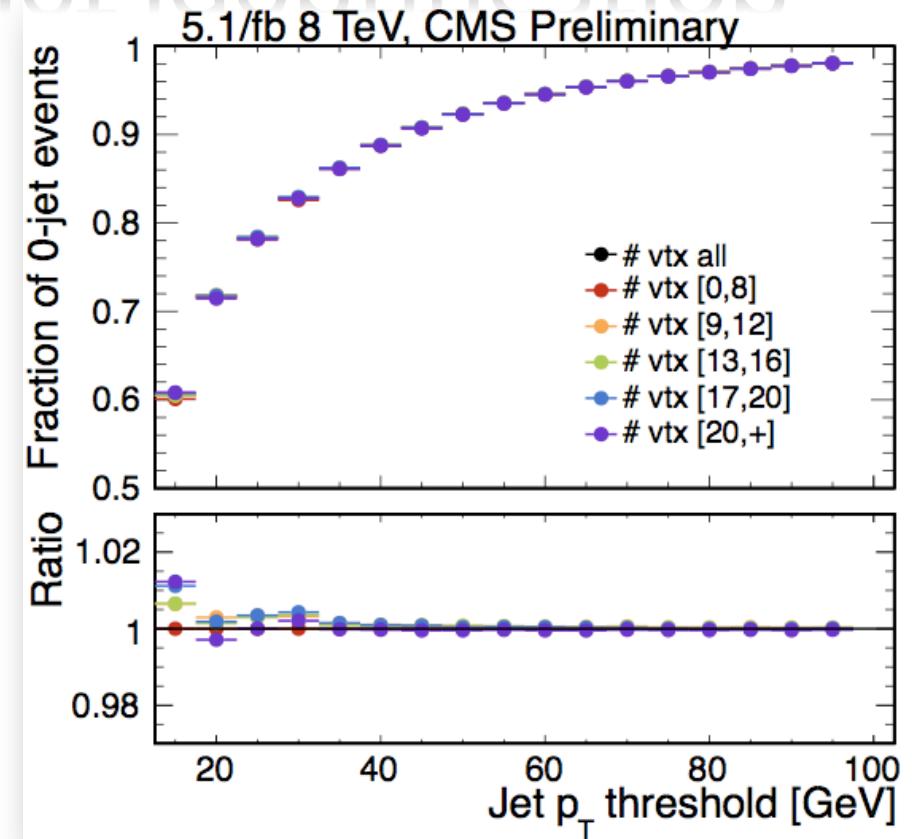


Typical jet

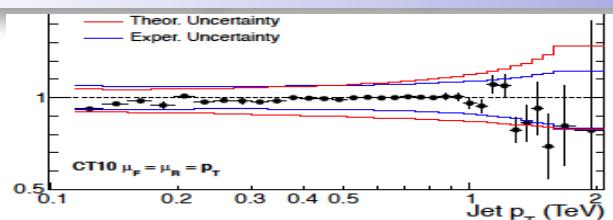
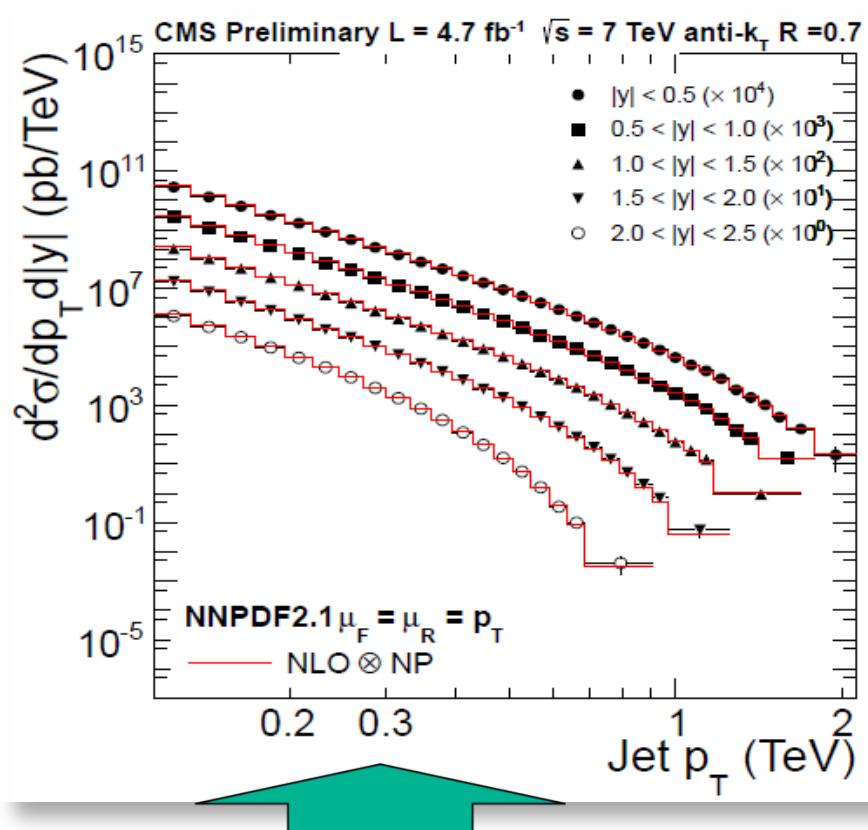


Pileup jet

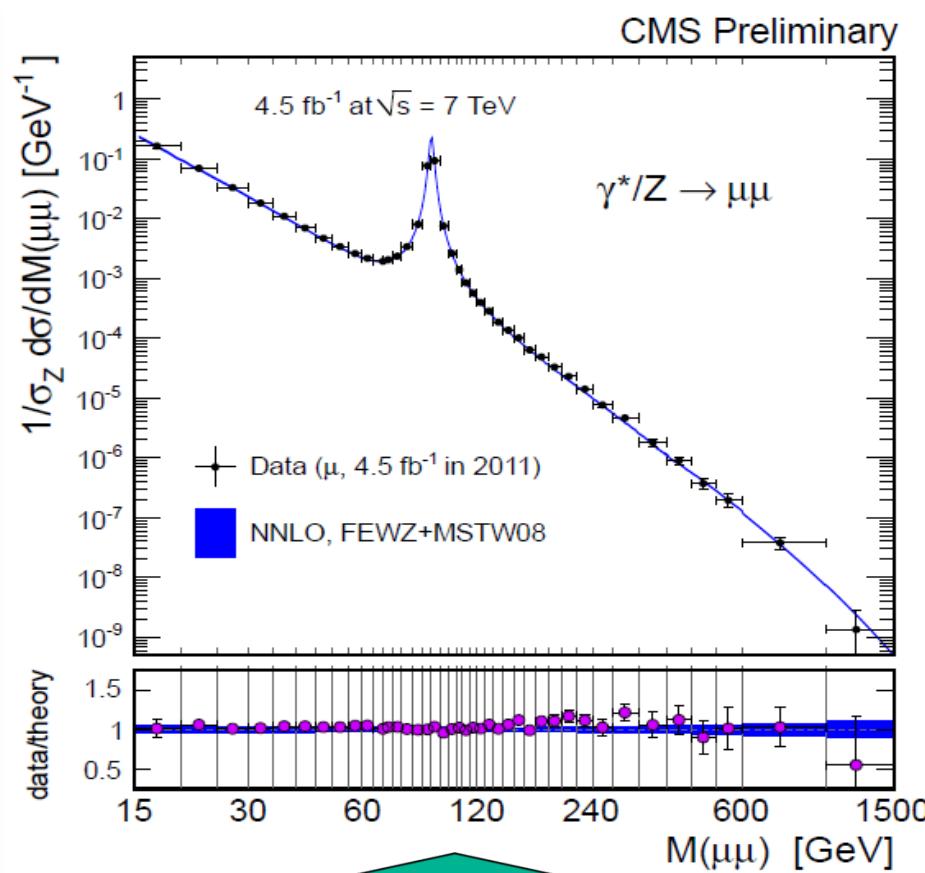
- Pileup jets structure differs wrt regular jets:
  - Pileup jets originate from several overlapping jets which merge together
  - Likelihood grows rapidly with high pileup
- Discriminant exploits shape and tracking variables
  - discrimination both inside and outside tracker acceptance



# Standard Model: Precision Jets, W, and $\gamma^*/Z$



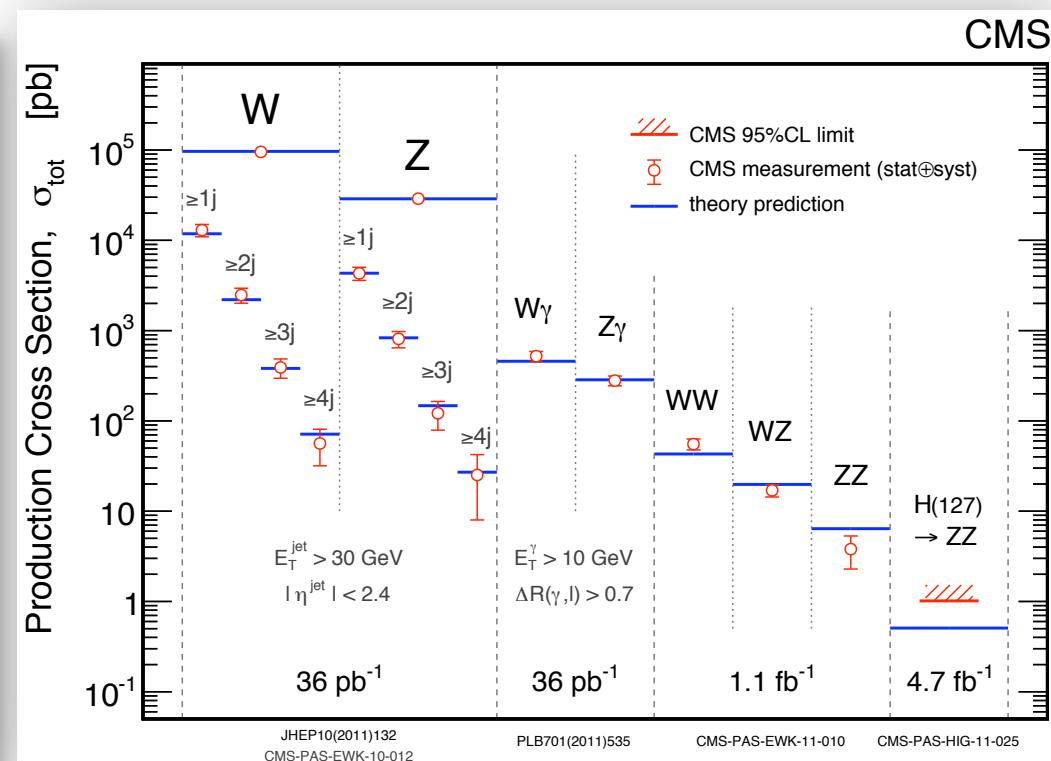
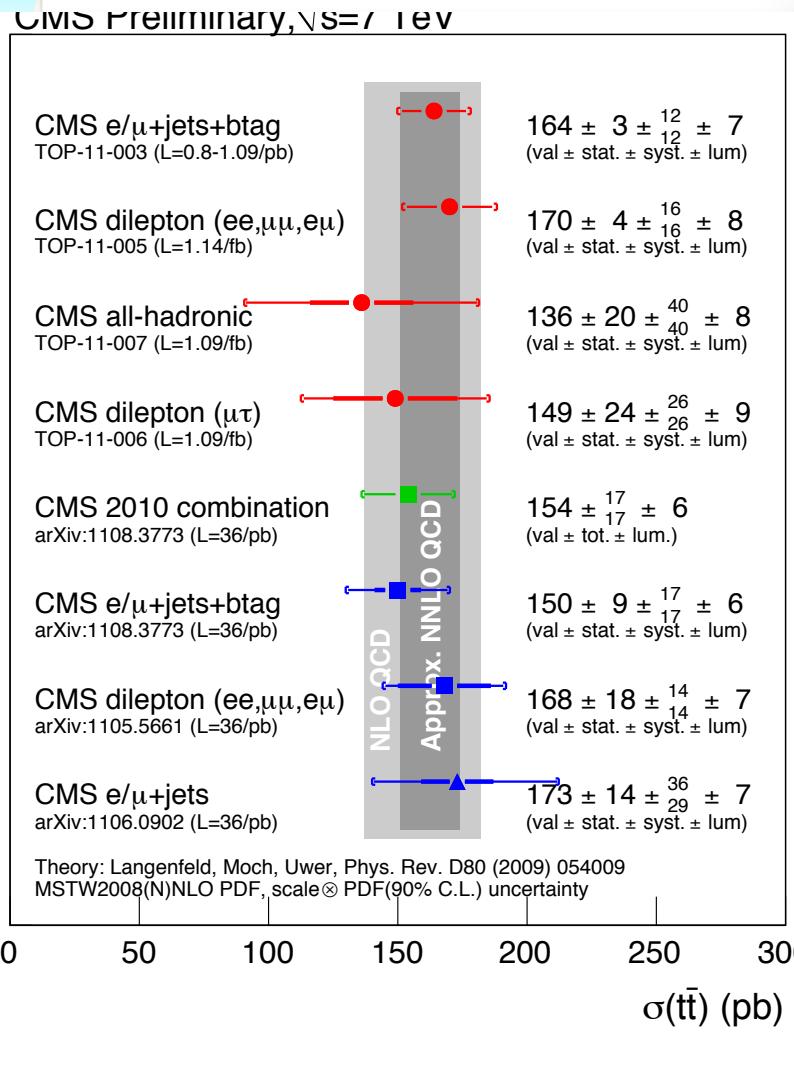
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Differential Drell-Yan  
cross section: 2.5M  $\mu\mu$   
pairs tests NNLO cross  
sections and PDFs

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# Standard Model at 7 TeV 2010-2011



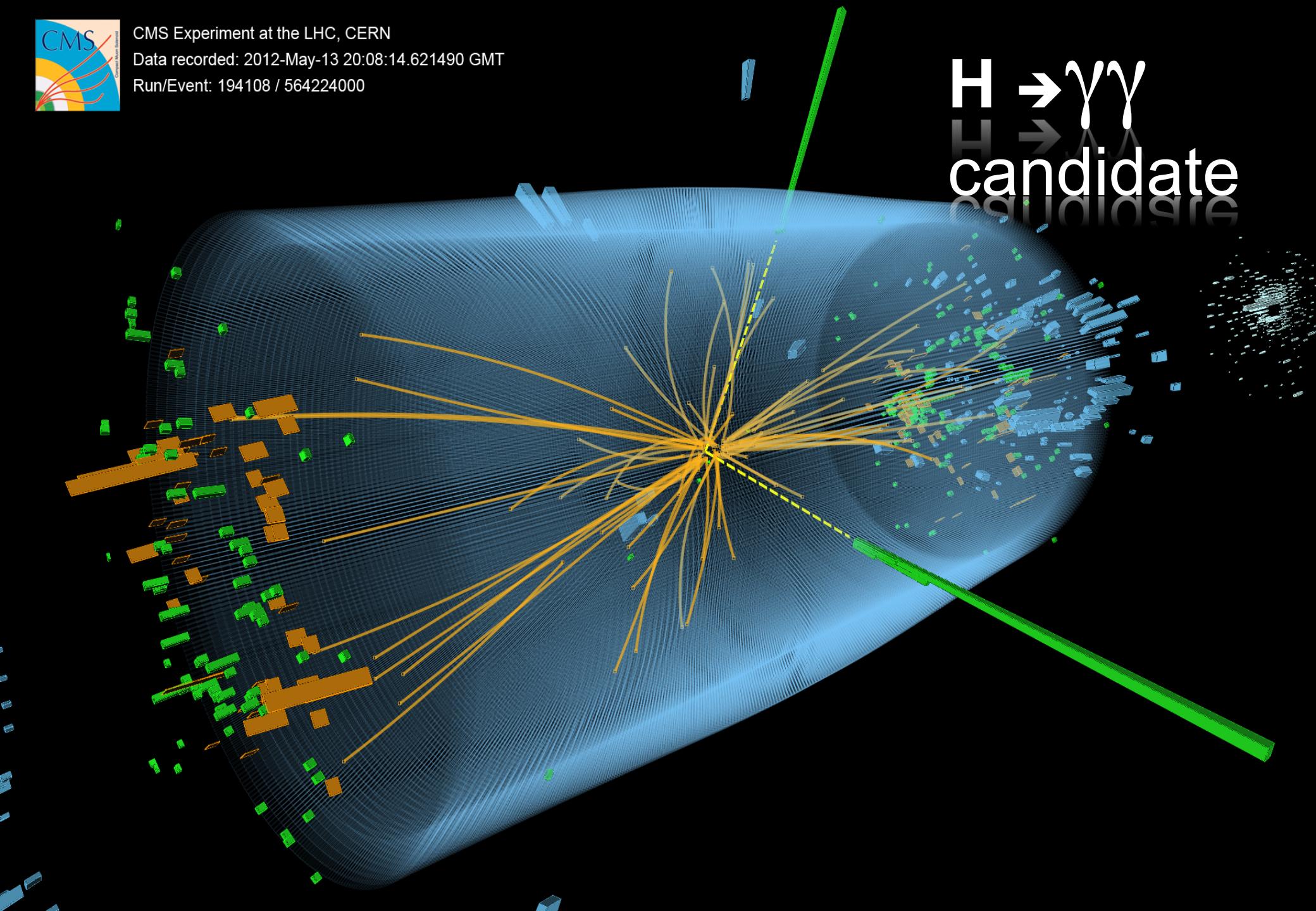
- Fabulous agreement
- Lots of data
- ... on to the Higgs...

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  $H \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$



CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN  
Data recorded: 2012-May-13 20:08:14.621490 GMT  
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$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$   
 $H \rightarrow$   
candidate



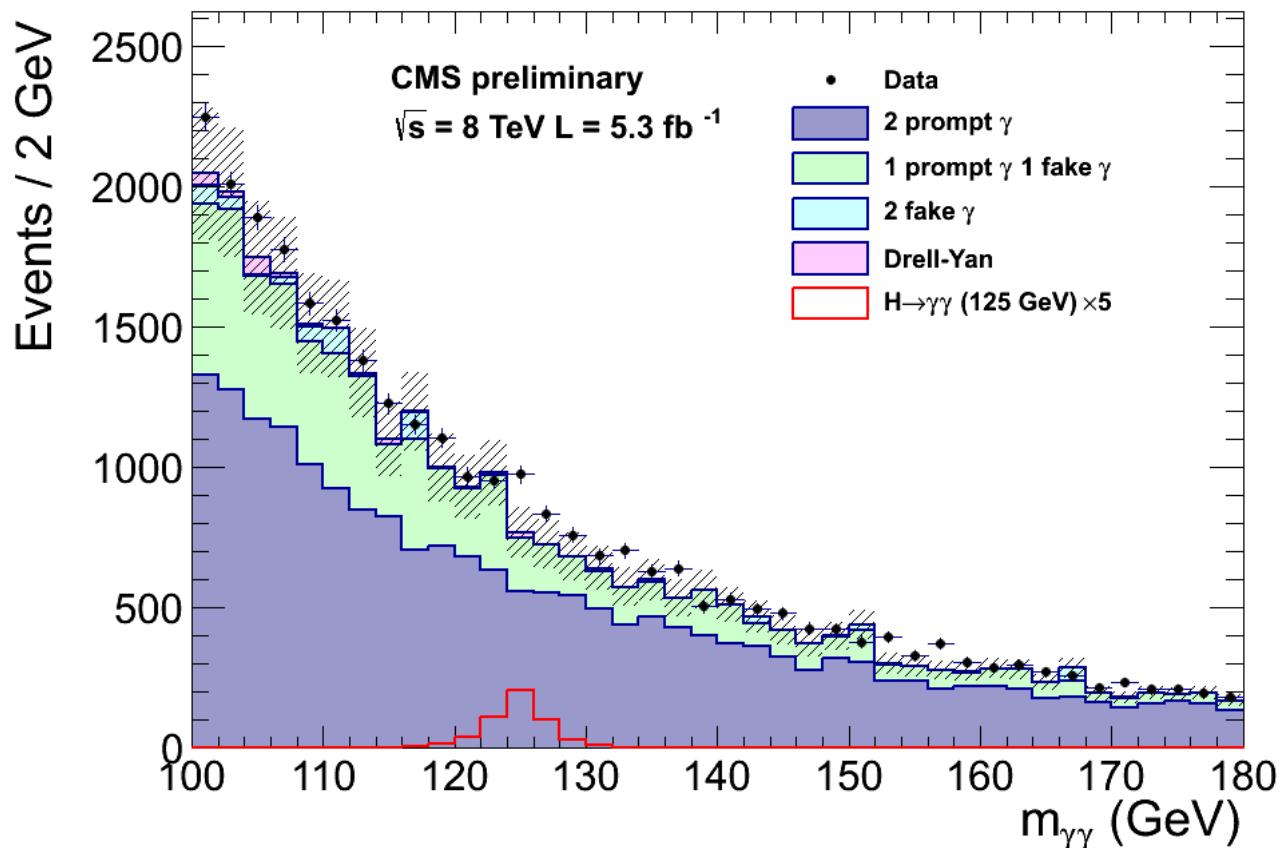
# $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ Overview

- Main analysis is a Multi-Variate-Analysis (MVA)
  - MVAs for photon ID and event classification
    - Fit mass distribution in 4 event classes based on a diphoton MVA output + 2 di-jet categories
    - Improvement in expected limit ~15% over cut-based analysis
    - **Cross-checked with an alternative background model extraction:**
      - Fit output of a 2<sup>nd</sup> MVA combining diphoton MVA and  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  using data in mass sidebands to construct the background model
  - Also cross-checked with a cut based analysis
    - Simple and robust
      - Cut based photon ID and event classification
        - Fit data mass distribution in 2 rapidity x 2 shower shape =4 categories with different Signal over Background (S/B) + 2 di-jet categories
    - Published for 2011 data
      - Phys.Lett. B710 (2012) 403-425 arXiv:1202.1487



# Search for a narrow mass peak with two isolated high Et photons

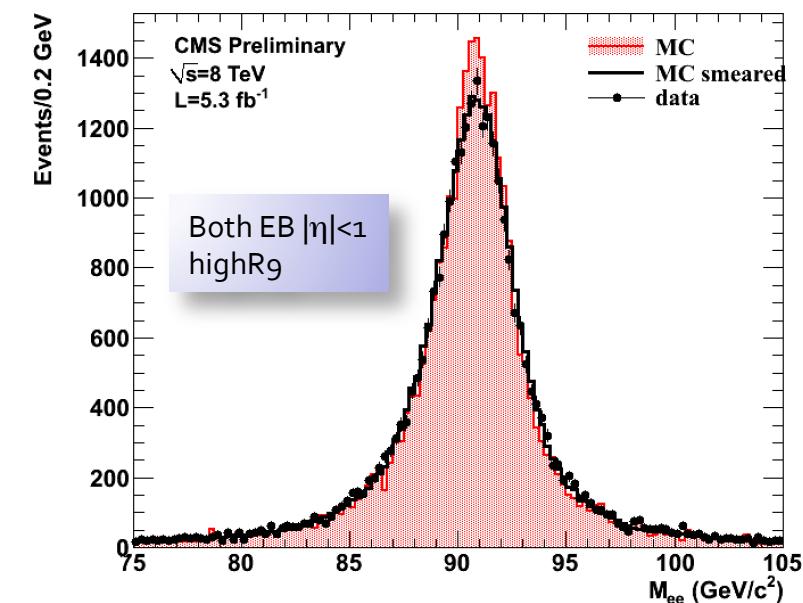
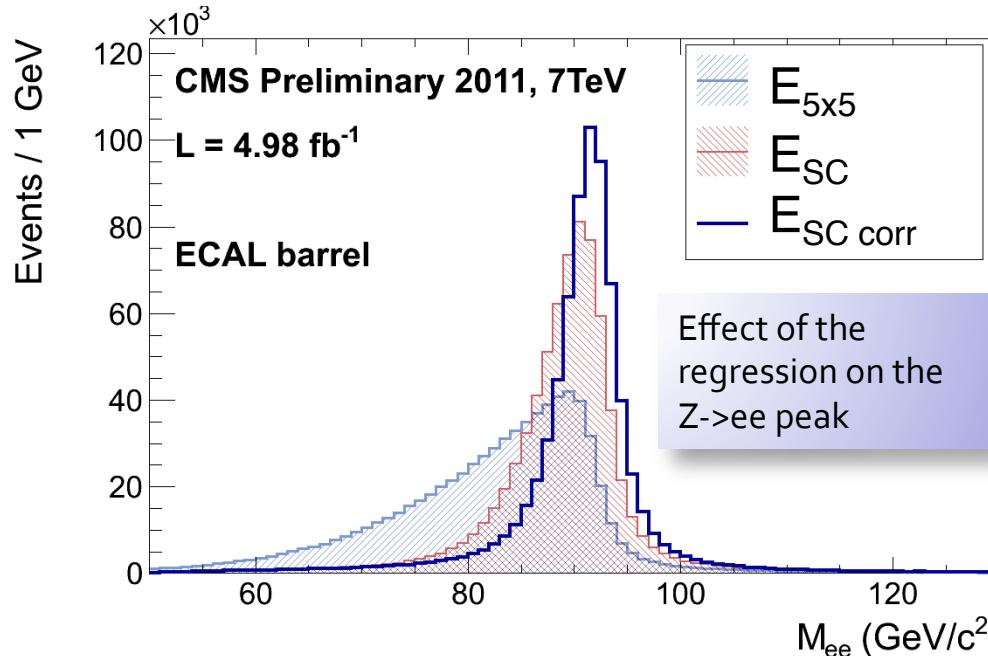
2012 8 TeV



- Blind analysis in 2012
- Re-reco 2011 data into unchanged 2011 analysis
- Background MC only used for analysis optimization,  $Z \rightarrow ee$  also to measure photon efficiencies and resolution with data

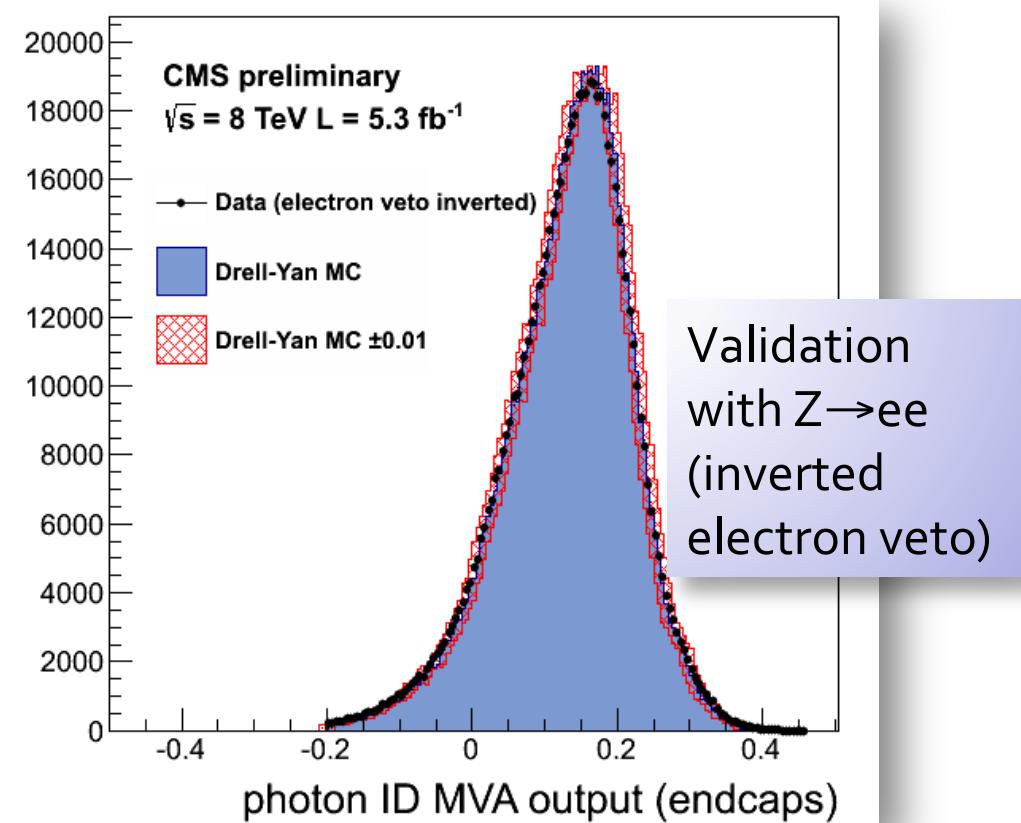
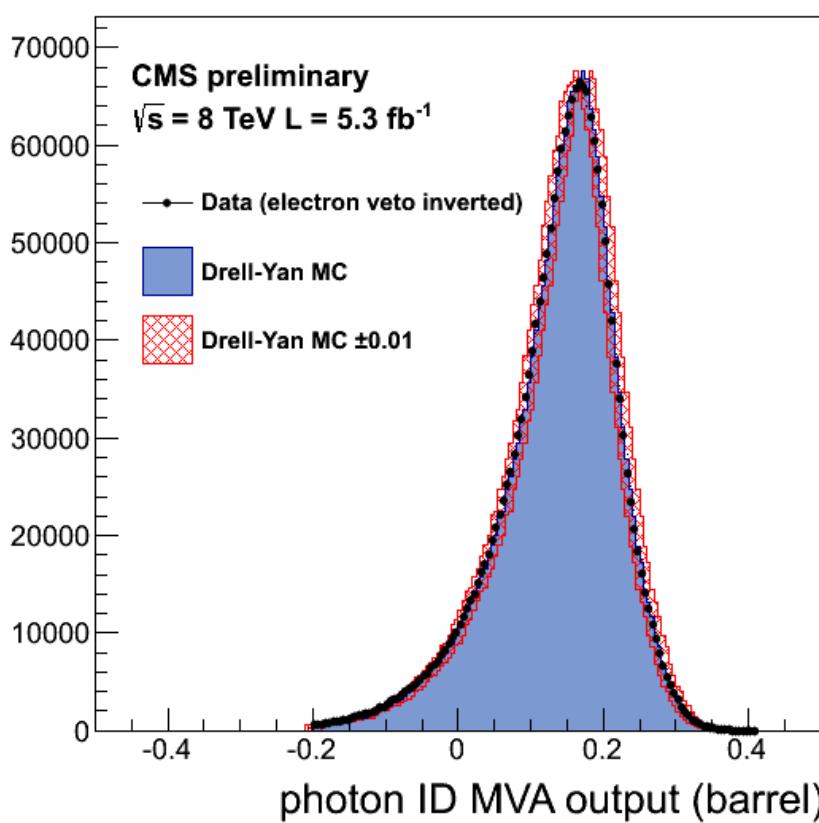
# Photon Energy Scale and Resolution

- ECAL cluster energies corrected using a MC trained multivariate regression
  - Improves resolution and restores flat response of energy scale versus pileup
    - Inputs: Raw cluster energies and positions, lateral and longitudinal shower shape variables, local shower positions w.r.t. crystal geometry, pileup estimators
  - Regression also used to provide a per photon energy resolution estimate
  - To measure the Energy Scale and resolution: use  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$



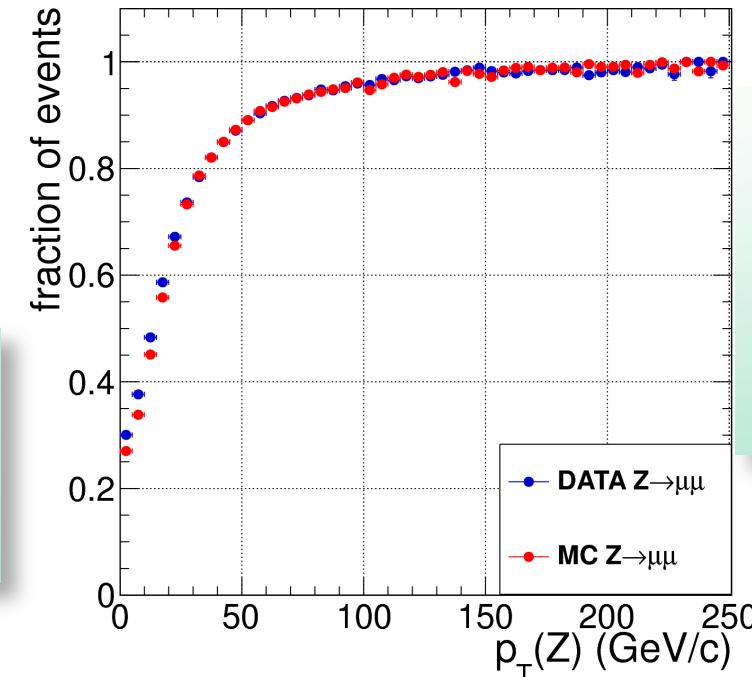
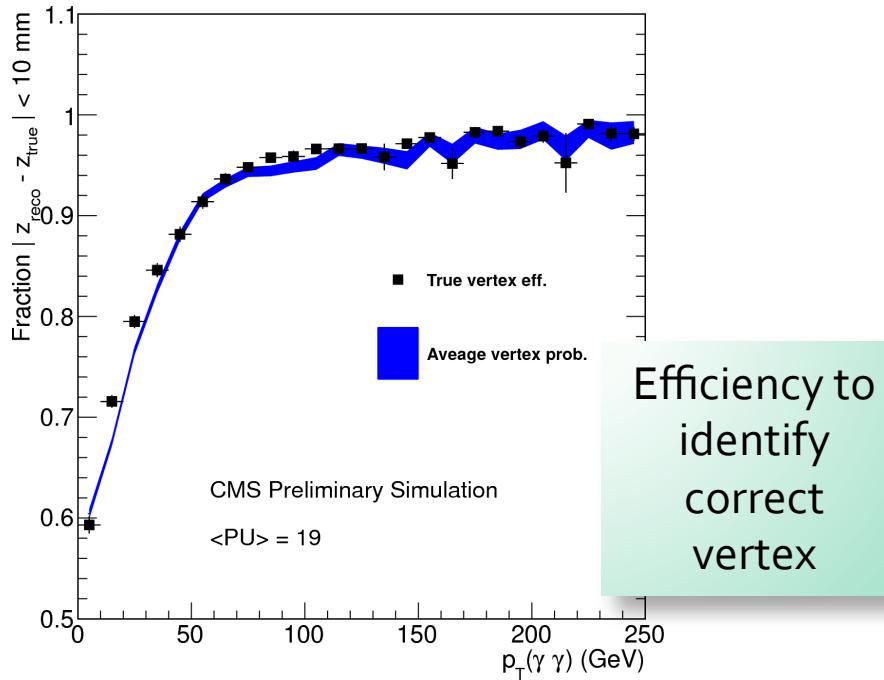
# Photon ID

- **Photon pre-selection:**
  - $E_{T\gamma_1}/m_{\gamma\gamma} > 3, E_{T\gamma_2}/m_{\gamma\gamma} > 4$
  - Photon Id a bit tighter than trigger selection and MC EM enrichment filters
    - Efficiency measured using tag and probe with  $Z \rightarrow ee$
    - Electron veto: Efficiency measured using tag and probe with  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$
- **MVA based photon ID discriminates photons from fakes:**
  - Inputs: isolation, shower shape, per event energy density, pseudorapidity



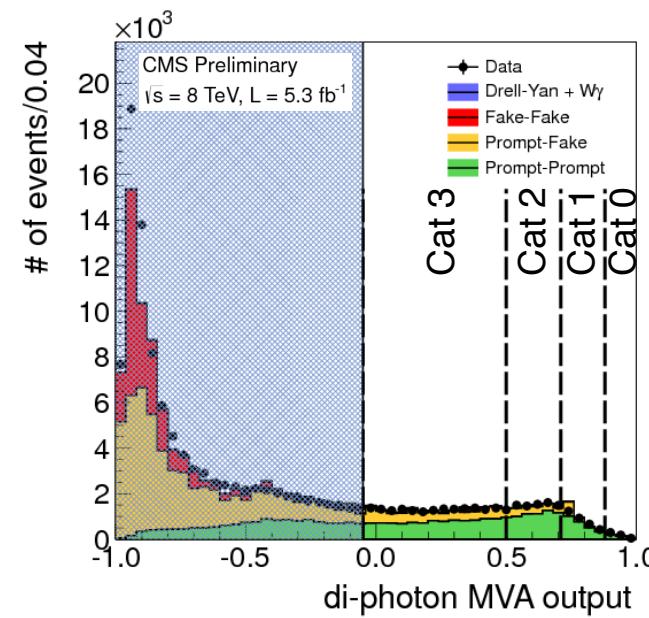
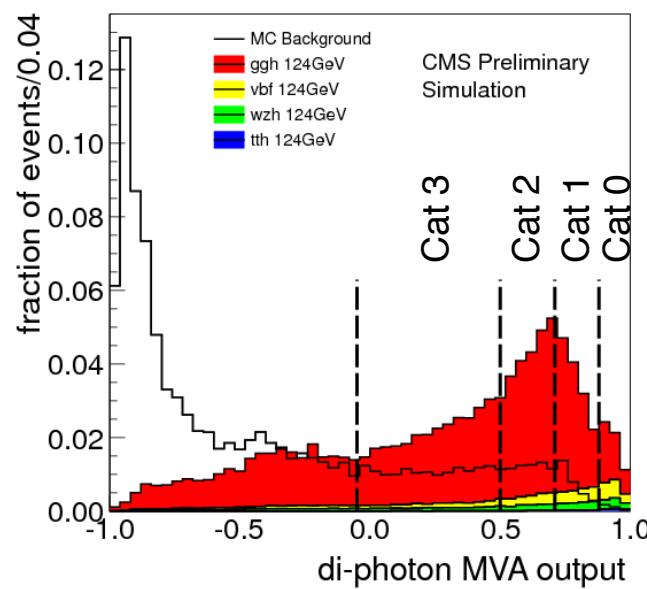
# The $\gamma\gamma$ Vertex Choice

- Mass reconstruction
  - Depends on the correct position of the primary vertex
- Interaction vertex is identified using tracks from recoiling jets and underlying event plus conversions
  - correct in ~83% of cases for pileup in 2011 sample.
  - correct in ~80% of cases for pileup in 2012 sample.
- Vertex identification with a BDT
  - Input variables:  $\Sigma p_t^2$ ,  $\Sigma p_t$  projected onto the  $\gamma\gamma$  transverse direction,  $p_t$  asymmetry and conversions
- Correct vertex finding probability also estimated using a BDT



# Diphoton MVA

- Diphoton MVA trained on signal and background MC with input variables largely independent of  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ 
  - Kinematics:  $p_T$  and  $\eta$  of each photon, and  $\cos\Delta\phi$  between the 2 photons
  - Photon ID MVA output for each photon
  - per-event mass resolution and vertex probability
- Encode all relevant information on signal vs background discrimination (aside from  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  itself) into a single di-photon MVA output to first order independent of  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$

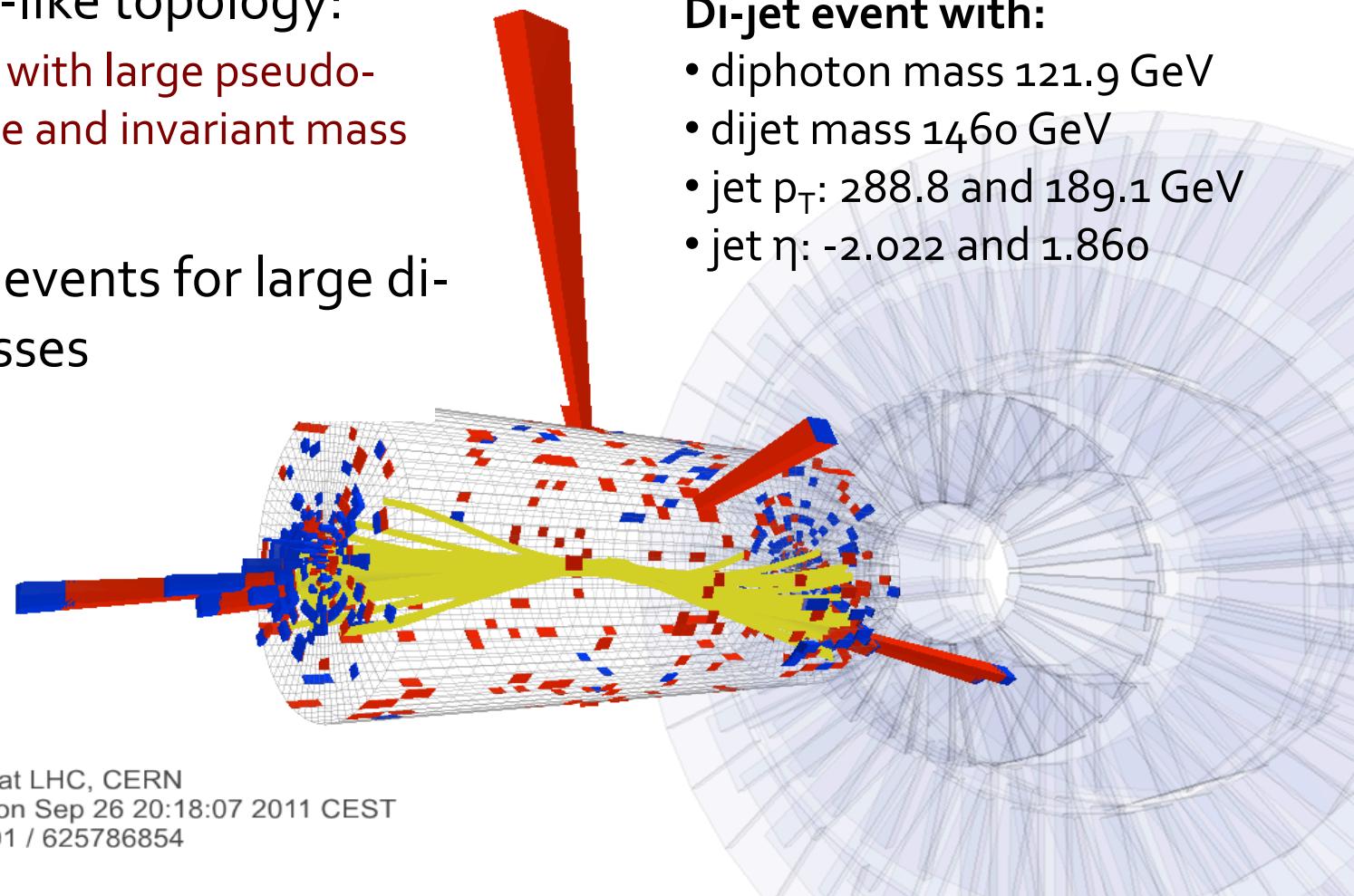


- Residual data-MC disagreement
  - For BG only make analysis sub-optimal
  - For signal would cause some category migration included in the systematic errors

# Di-jet Tagging

- Exclusive selection of di-photon events with VBF-like topology:
  - Two high pT jets with large pseudo-rapidity difference and invariant mass
- High S/B
- ~80%-pure VBF events for large di-jet invariant masses

CMS Experiment at LHC, CERN  
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Lumi section: 450





# Di-jet Tagging: Selection

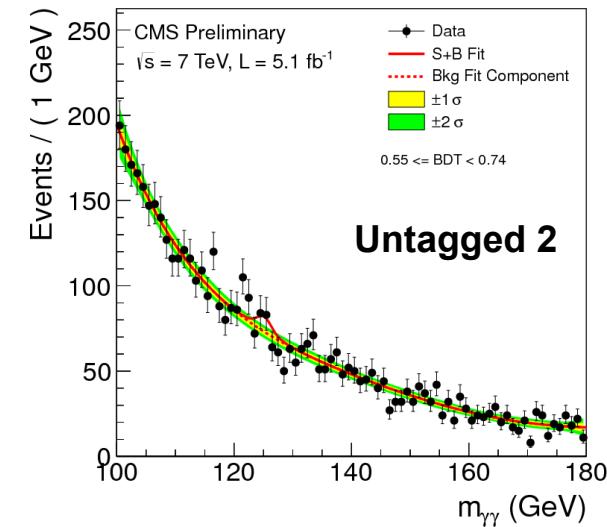
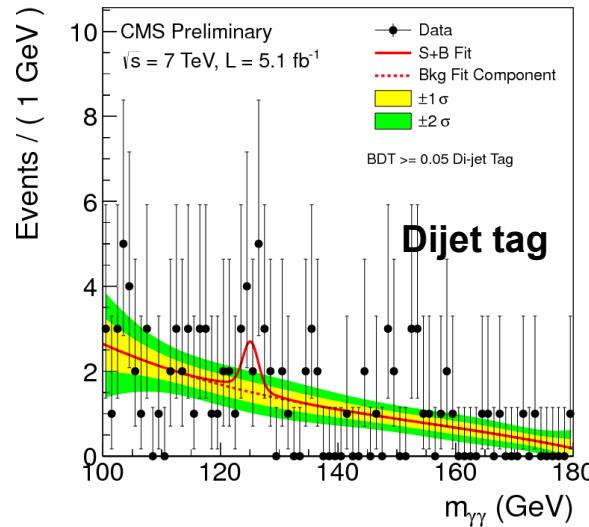
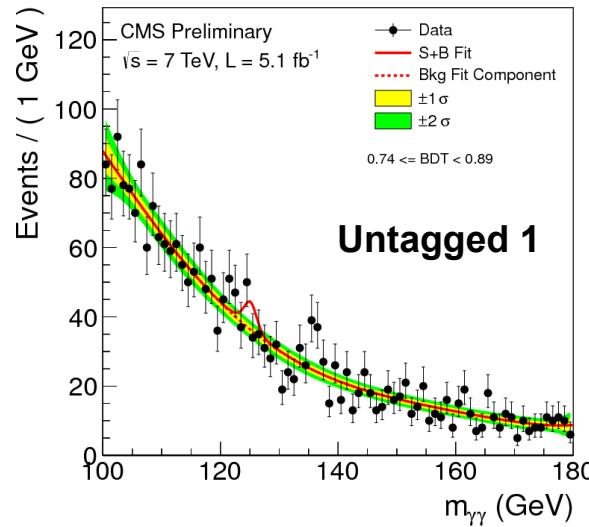
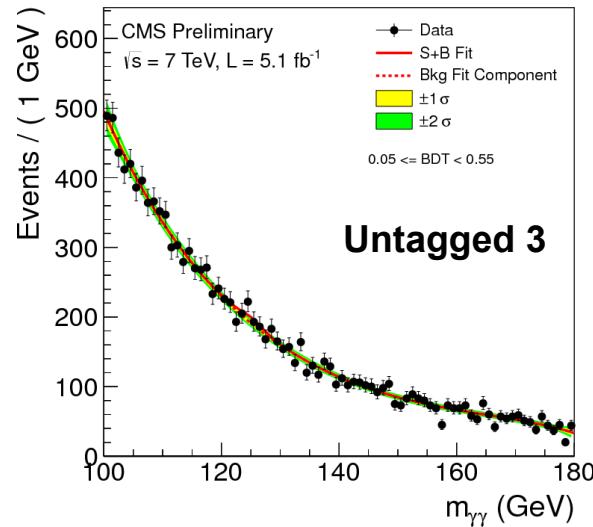
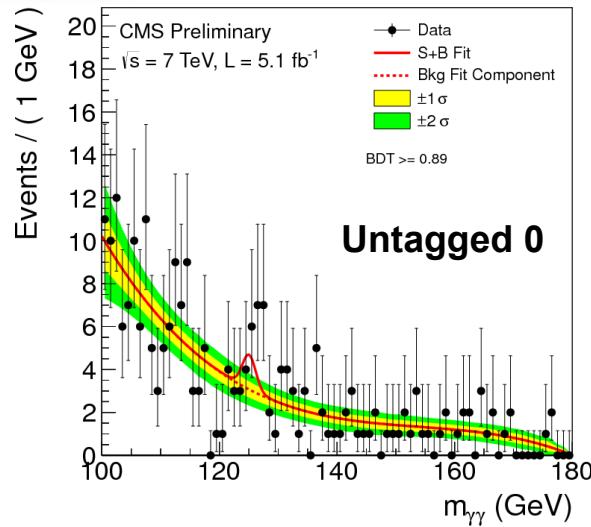
## Analysis improvements in 2012:

- Split di-jet tagged events in two categories based on  $M_{jj}$  and jet  $p_T$ 
  - ~15% improvement in sensitivity for dijet category
  - better sensitivity to separate different Higgs production modes
- Removal of jets from pileup events
  - Based on the jet shape variables, tracks in jet and vertexing
  - Cross-checked using Z+jet and  $\gamma$ +jet events

### Dijet selection cuts

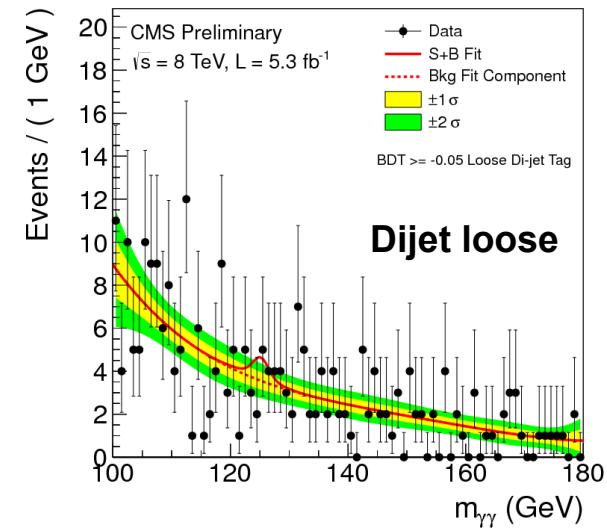
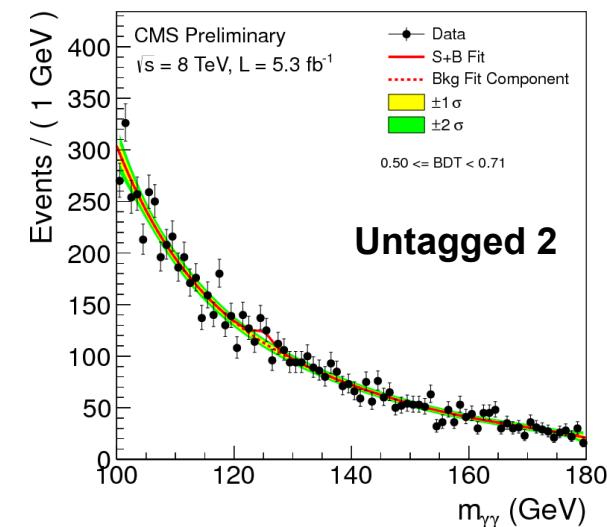
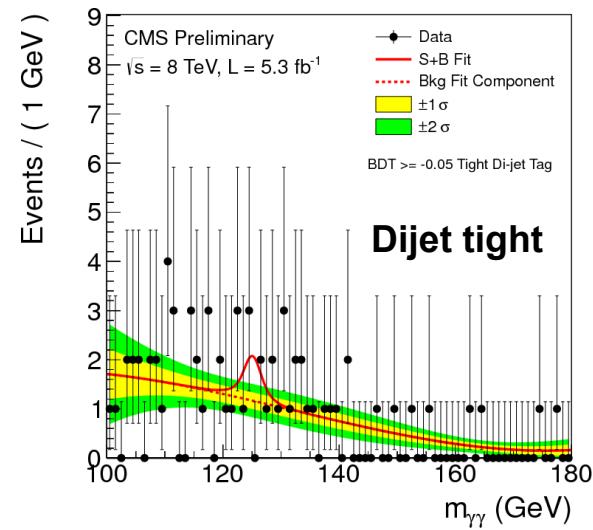
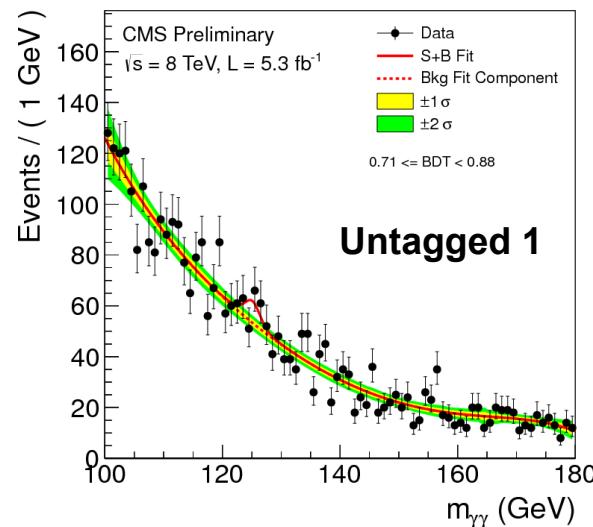
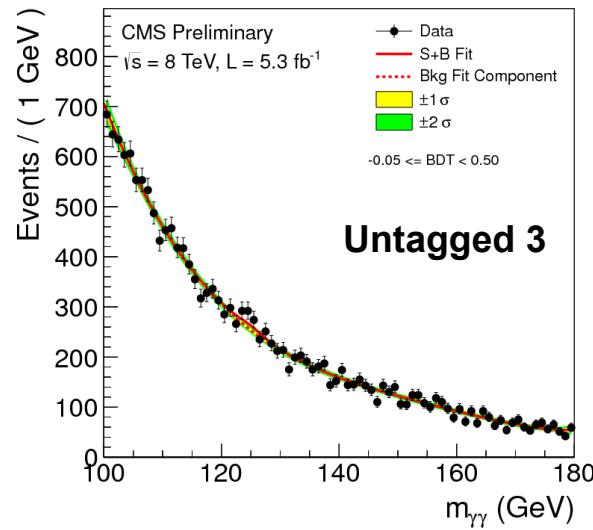
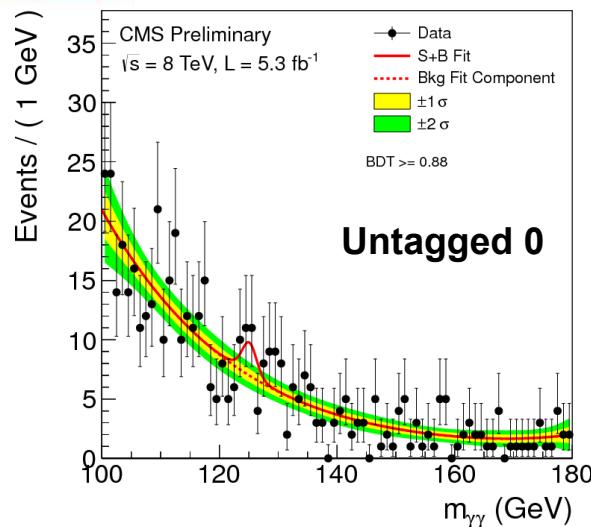
Variable	2011	2012	
		Loose	Tight
$p_T(j_1)$	$> 30 \text{ GeV}$		
$p_T(j_2)$	$> 20 \text{ GeV}$	$> 30 \text{ GeV}$	
$\Delta\eta(j_1, j_2)$	$> 3.5$		$> 3.0$
$ \eta_{\gamma\gamma} - \frac{1}{2}(\eta_{j1} + \eta_{j2}) $	$< 2.5$		
$\Delta\phi(jj, \gamma\gamma)$	$> 2.6$		
$m_{jj}$	$> 350 \text{ GeV}$	$> 250 \text{ GeV}$	$> 500 \text{ GeV}$

# 7 TeV Mass Distribution in Categories



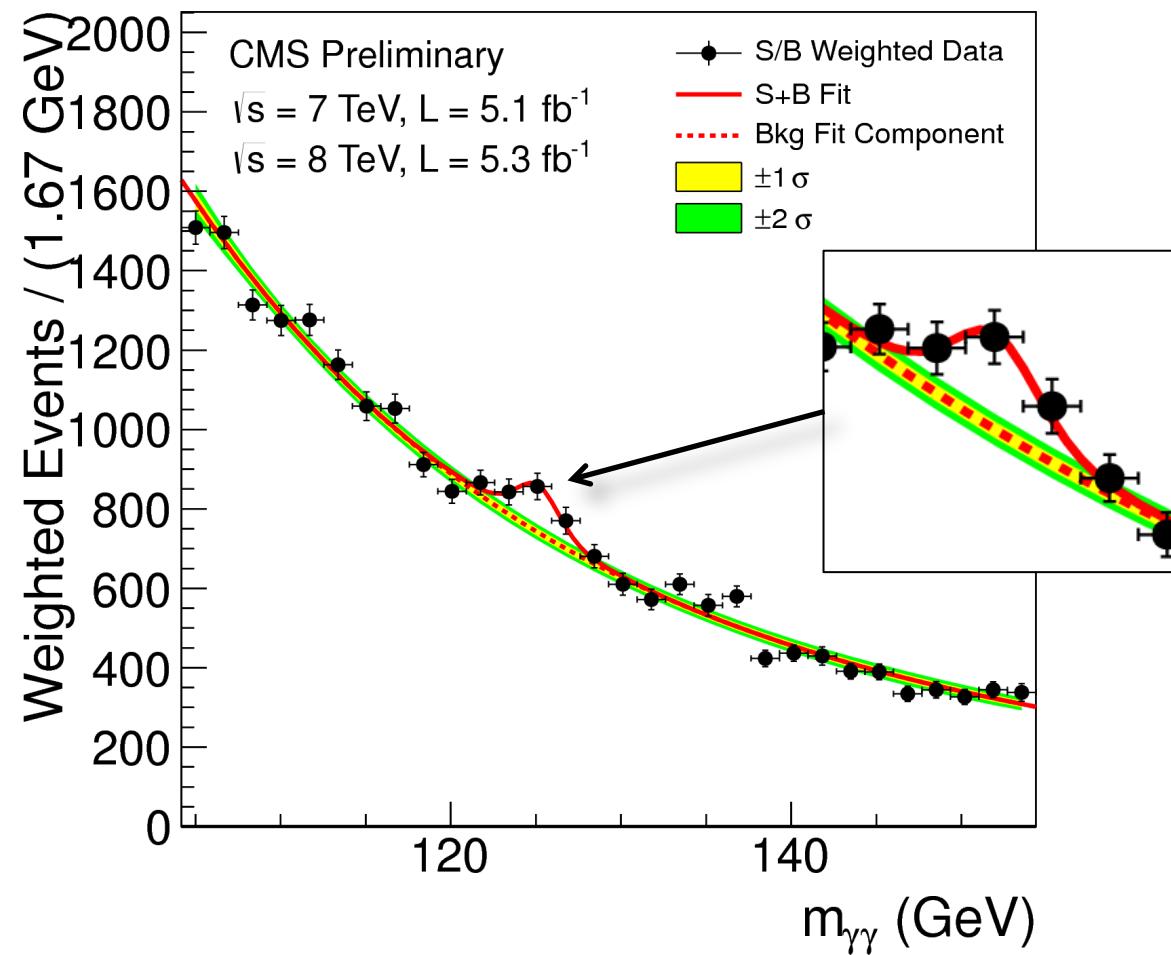
- Background model is entirely from data.
- Fit to mass distribution in each category with polynomial functions (3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> degree)
  - keep bias below 20% of fit error.
  - causes some loss of performance due to number of parameters in fit function.

# 8 TeV Mass Distribution in Categories

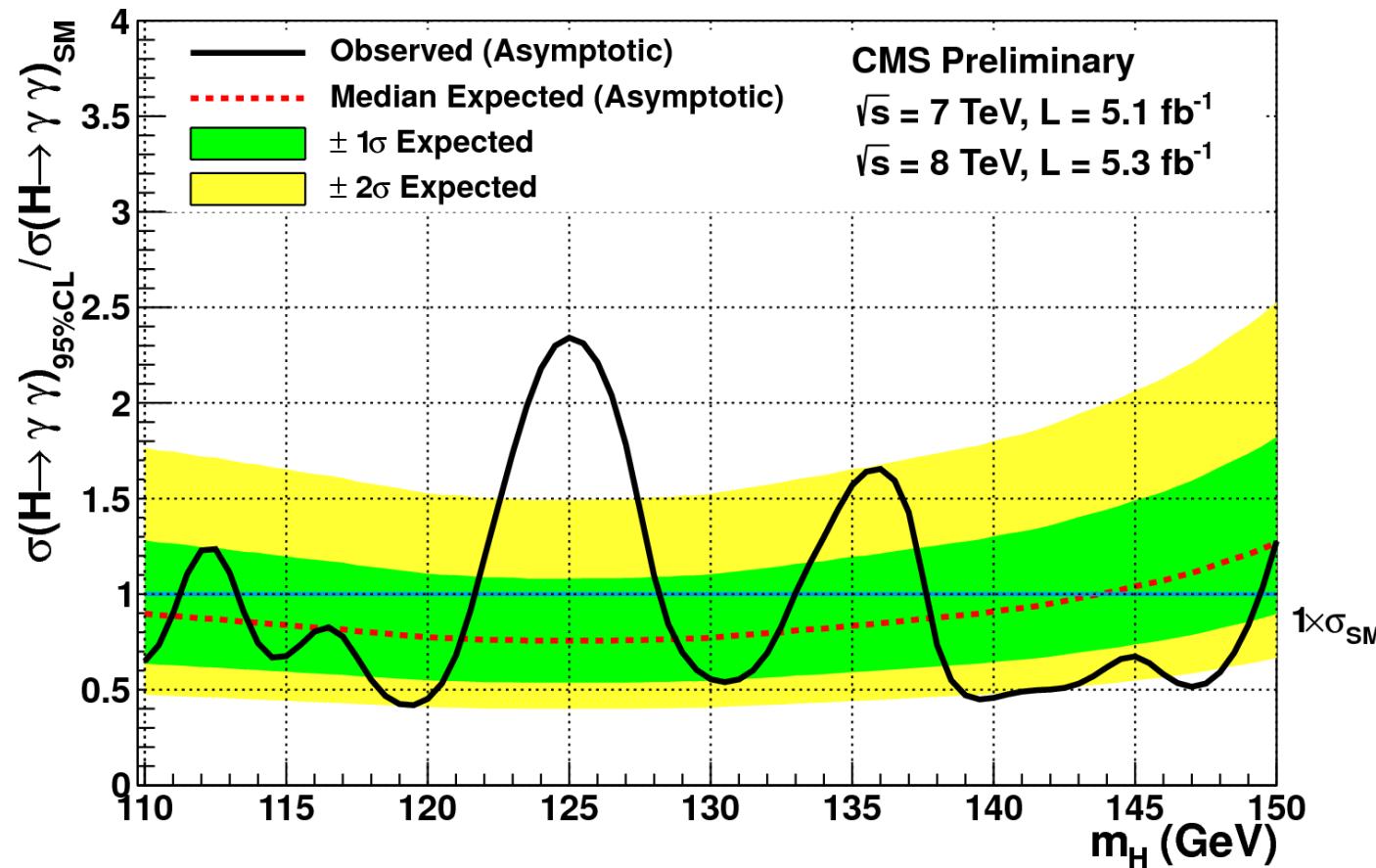


# S/B Weighted Mass Distribution

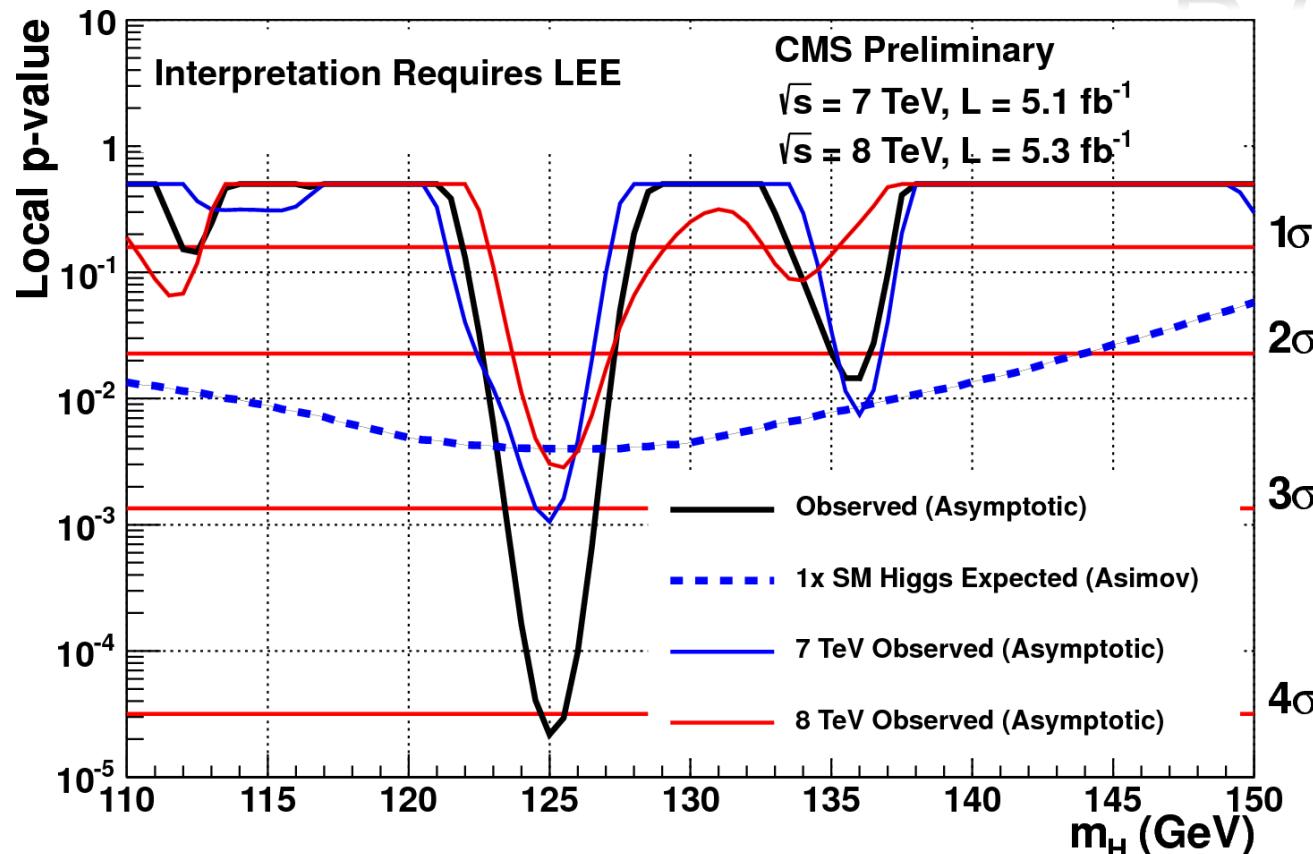
- Sum of mass distributions for each event class, weighted by S/B
  - B is integral of background model over a constant signal fraction interval



## 95% CL Exclusion for SM Higgs

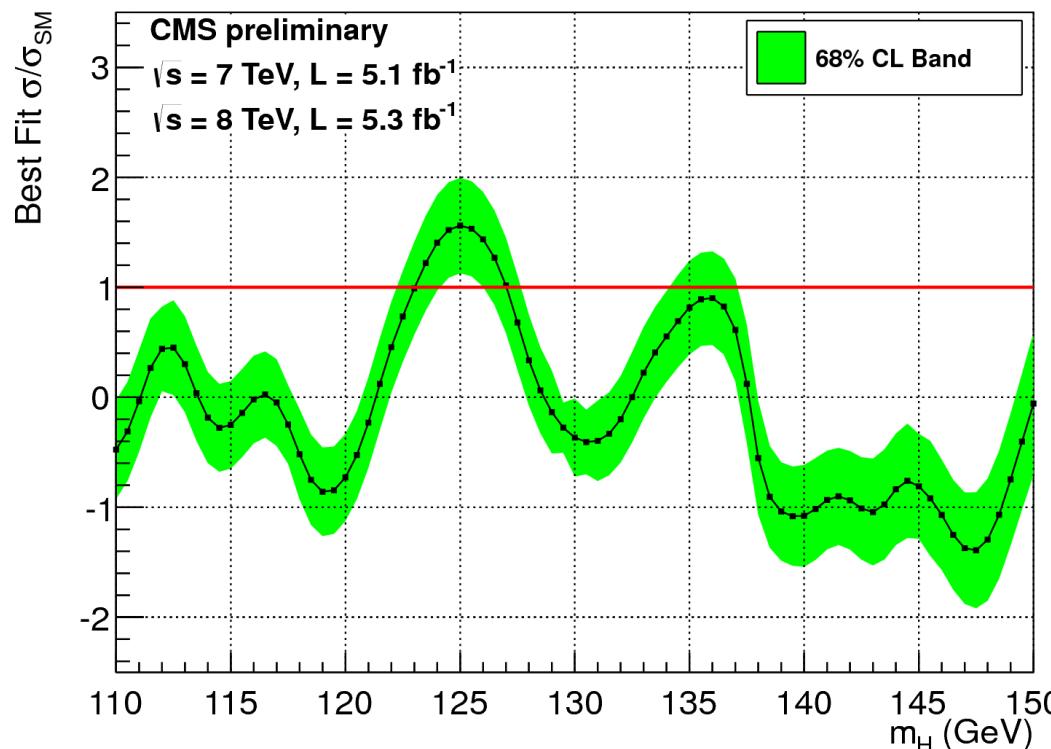


- Expected 95% CL exclusion 0.76 times SM at 125 GeV
- Large range with expected excursion below  $\sigma_{SM}$
- Largest excess at 125 GeV

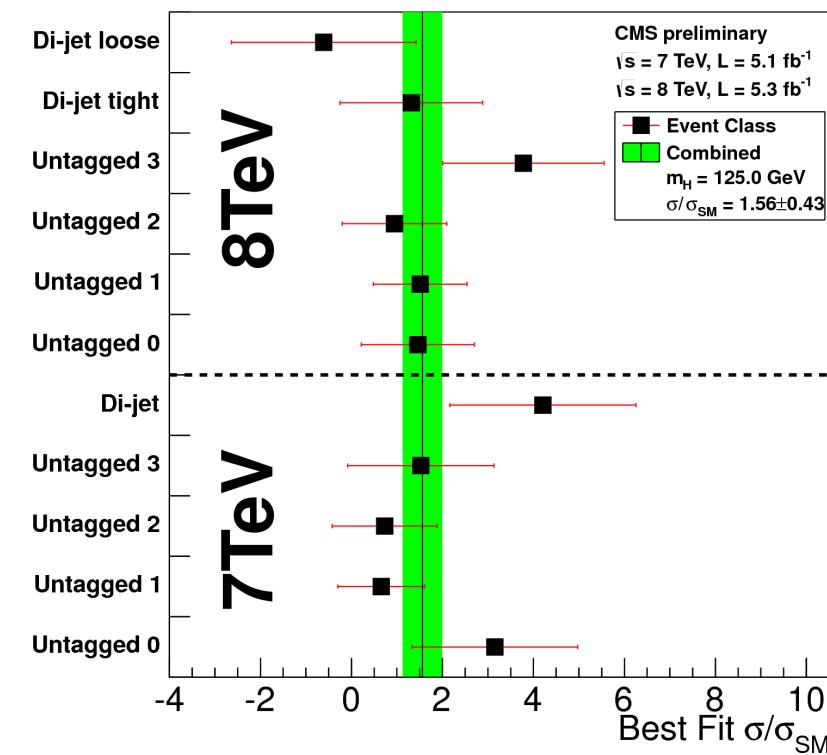


- Minimum local p-value at 125 GeV with a local significance of  $4.1\sigma$
- Similar excess in 2011 and 2012
- Independent cross check analyses give similar results
- Global significance in the full search range (110-150 GeV)  $3.2\sigma$

# Fitted Signal Strength



Combined best fit signal strength  
 $\sigma/\sigma_{\text{SM}} = 1.56 \pm 0.43 \times \text{SM}$ , consistent with SM.



Best fit signal strength consistent between different classes

$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$

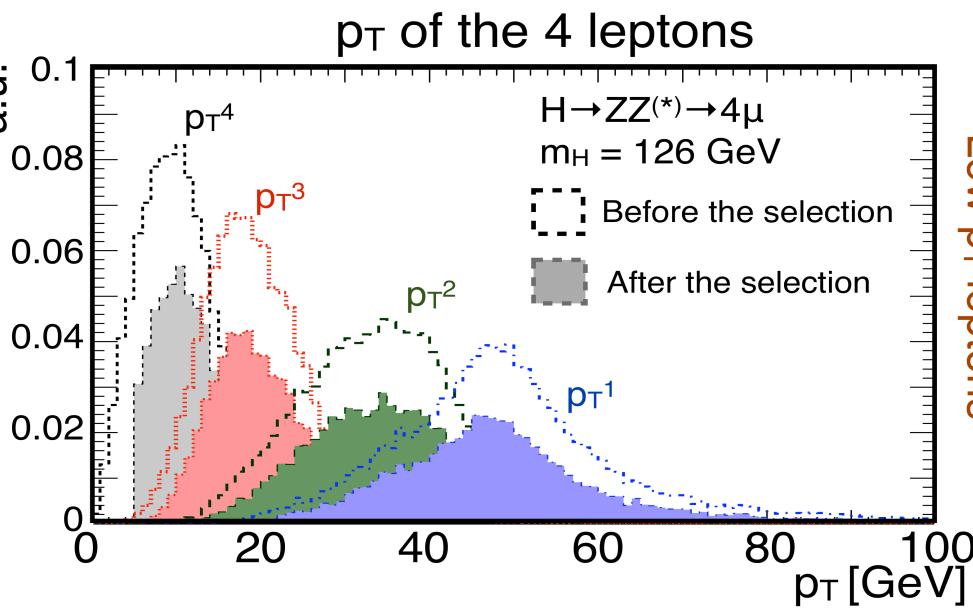
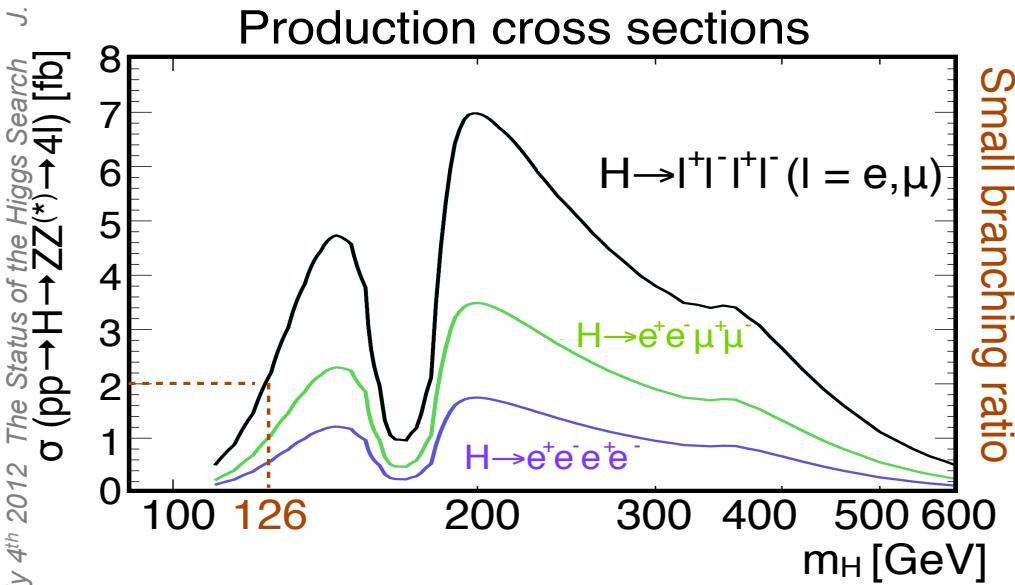
# $H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4l$ ( $l = e, \mu$ ): the golden channel

Clean signature: narrow peak, low background

Background: irreducible  $ZZ^{(*)}$ ; reducible  $Z + \text{jets}$ ,  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $WZ$

One of the best performing channels  
in the whole mass range ...

... but extremely demanding channel for selection, requiring the highest possible efficiencies (lepton Reco/ID/Isolation).



# 2012 analysis + improvements

**Blinding policy: analysis optimized blindly for 2012,  
applied to 2011 reoptimization**

Do NOT look at  $110 < m_{4l} < 140$  GeV, and  $m_{4l} > 300$  GeV

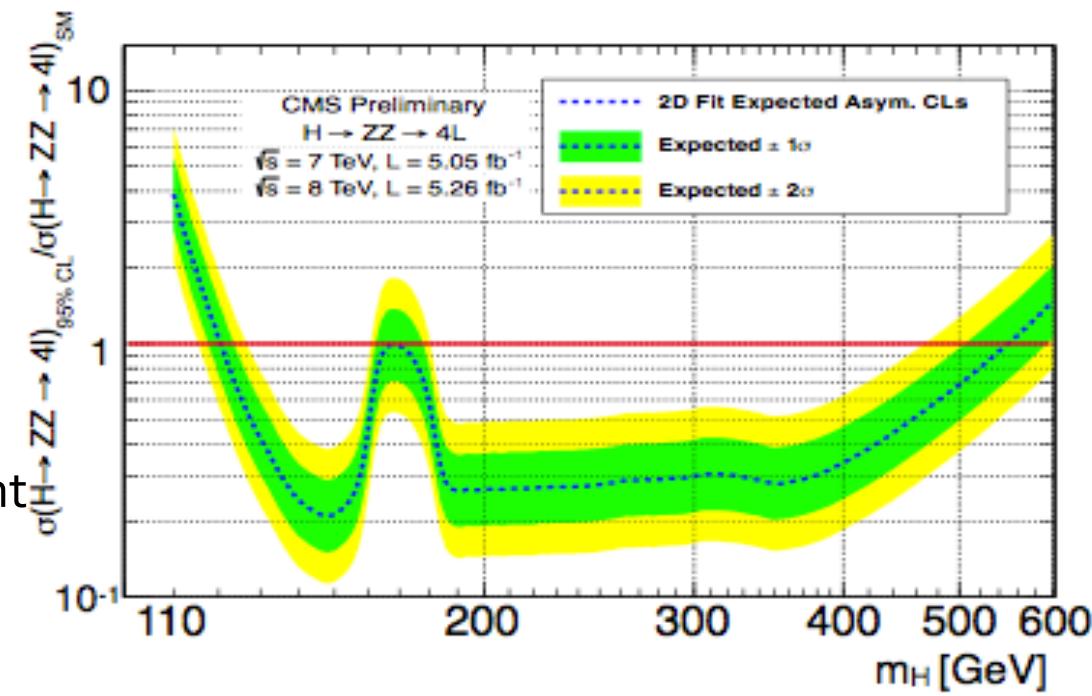
## Main changes:

New lepton ID (MVA + PFlow)

New lepton PFlow isolation

Final State Radiation (FSR) recovery

2D analysis:  $m_{4l}$  + Kinematic Discriminant

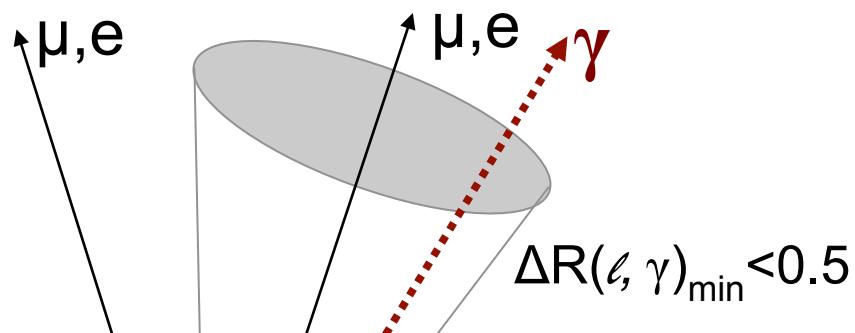


>20% improvement @  $m_H = 126$  GeV  
wrt 2011 analysis

Expected exclusion range  
121–540 GeV

# Final State Radiation recovery algorithm

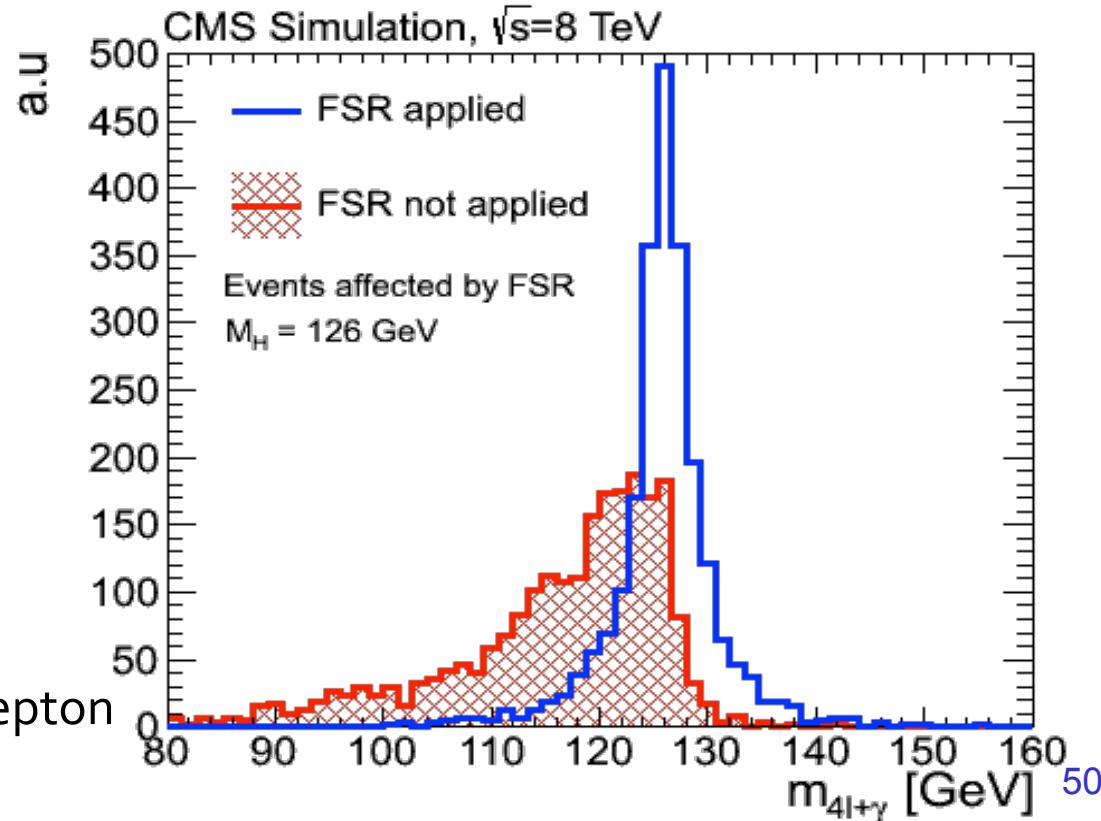
- Applied on each Z for photons near the leptons



- Associates photon with Z if:
  - $M(l\bar{l} + \gamma) < 100 \text{ GeV}$
  - $|M(l\bar{l} + \gamma) - M_Z| < |M(l\bar{l}) - M_Z|$
- Removes associated photons from lepton isolation calculation

Expected Performance for  $M_H = 126 \text{ GeV}$

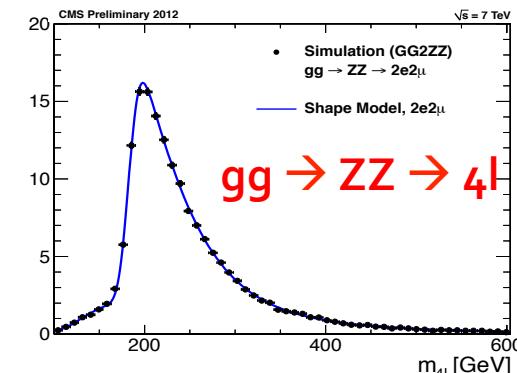
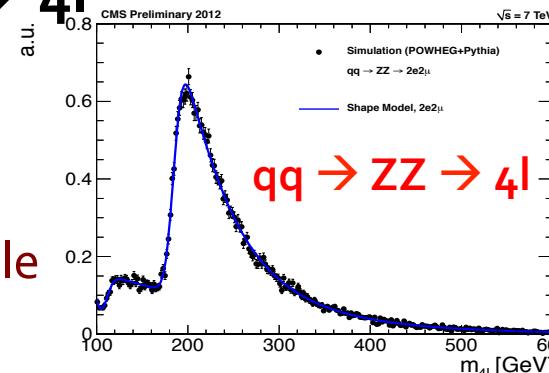
- 6% of events affected
- Average purity of 80%
- 2% added in analysis



# Background models

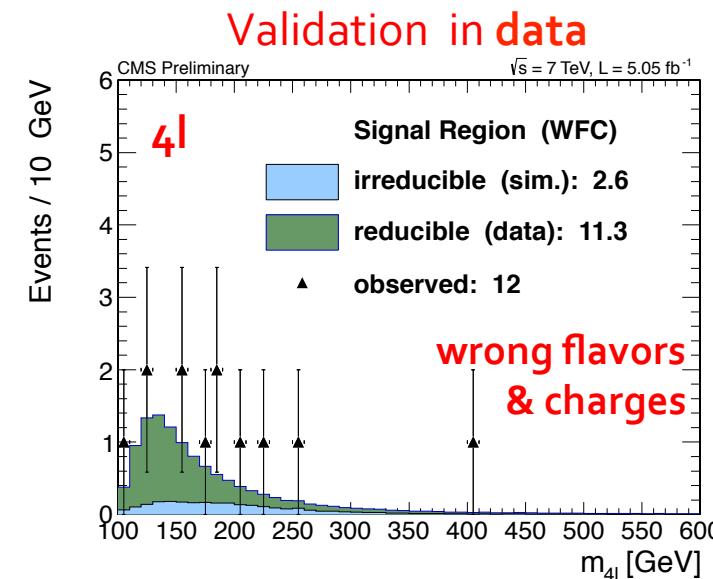
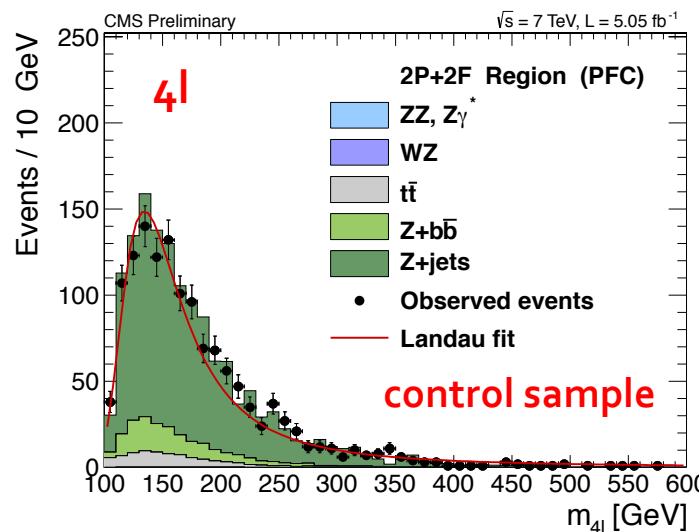
- Irreducible background  $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$

- Estimated using simulation
- Phenomenological shape models
- Corrected for data/simulation scale

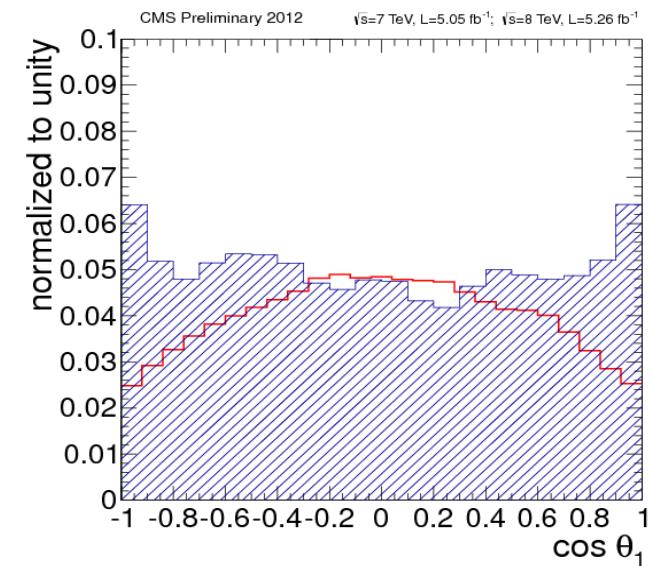
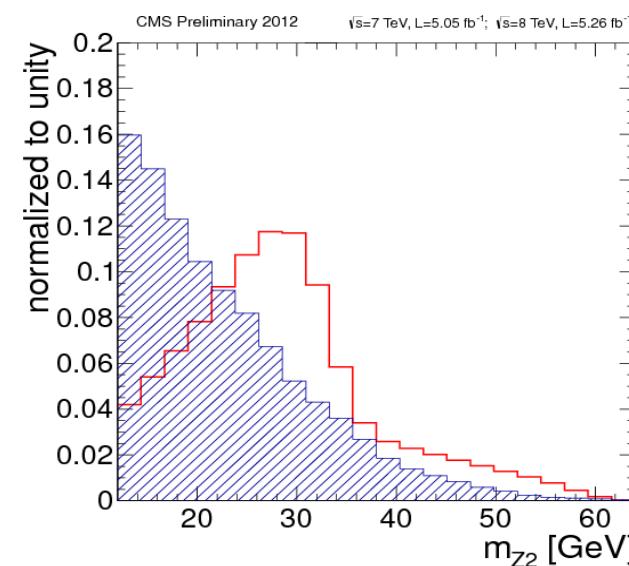
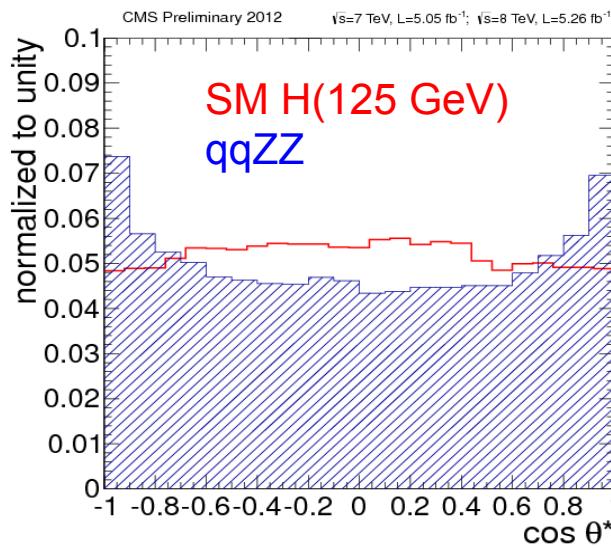
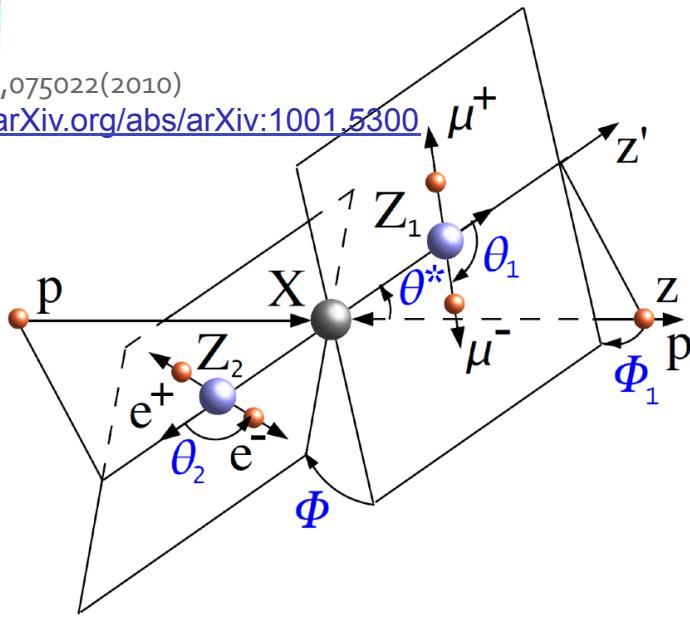


- Reducible backgrounds estimated from data

- Extrapolation from control samples enriched with misidentified leptons
- Total uncertainty ~50%



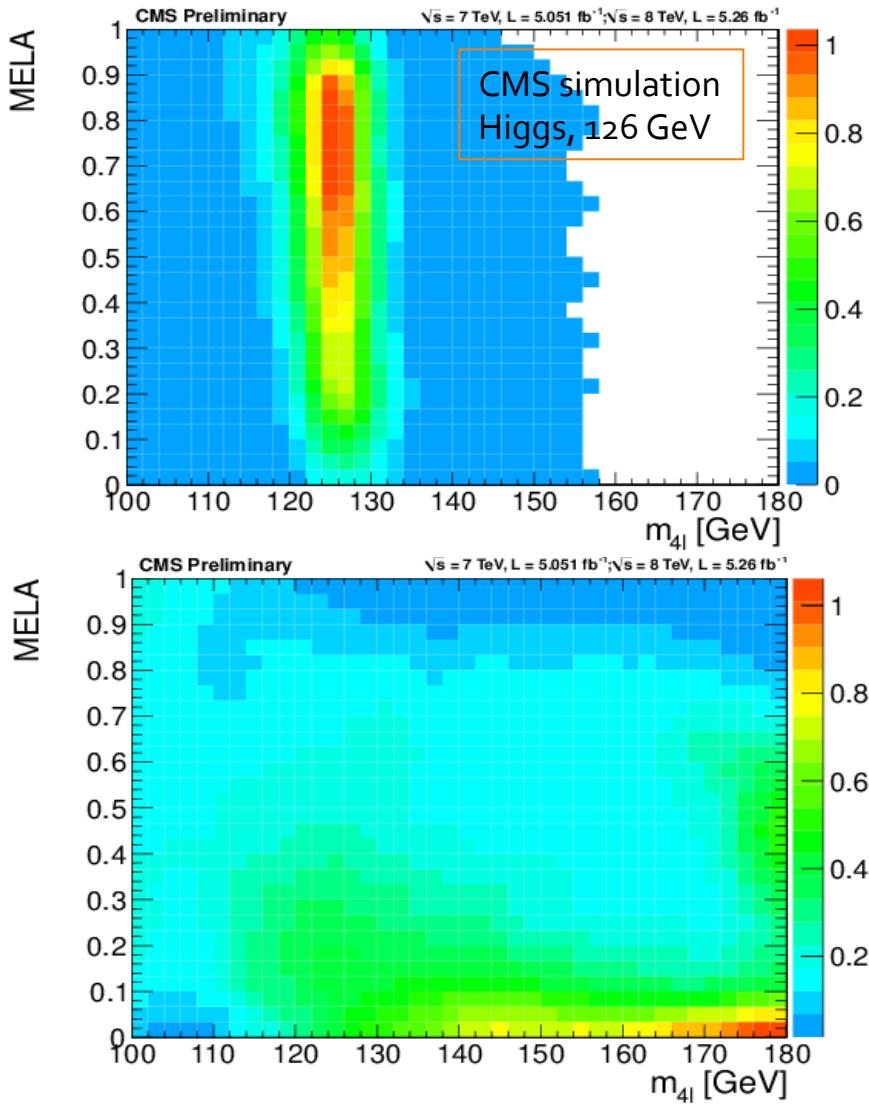
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**MELA**

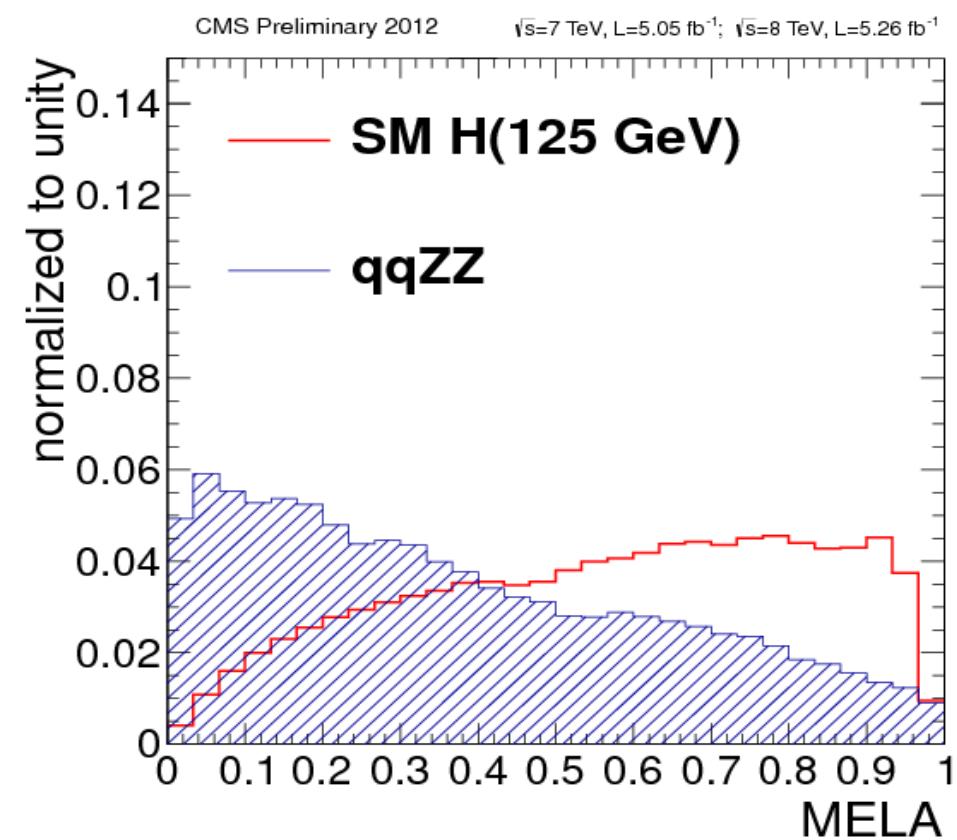
**Matrix Element Likelihood Analysis:**  
 uses kinematic inputs for  
 signal to background discrimination  
 $\{m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta^*, \Phi, \Phi_1\}$

$$\text{MELA} = \left[ 1 + \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4\ell})}{\mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4\ell})} \right]^{-1}$$

## 2D analysis using { $m_{4l}$ , MELA}



MELA offers powerful discrimination of background

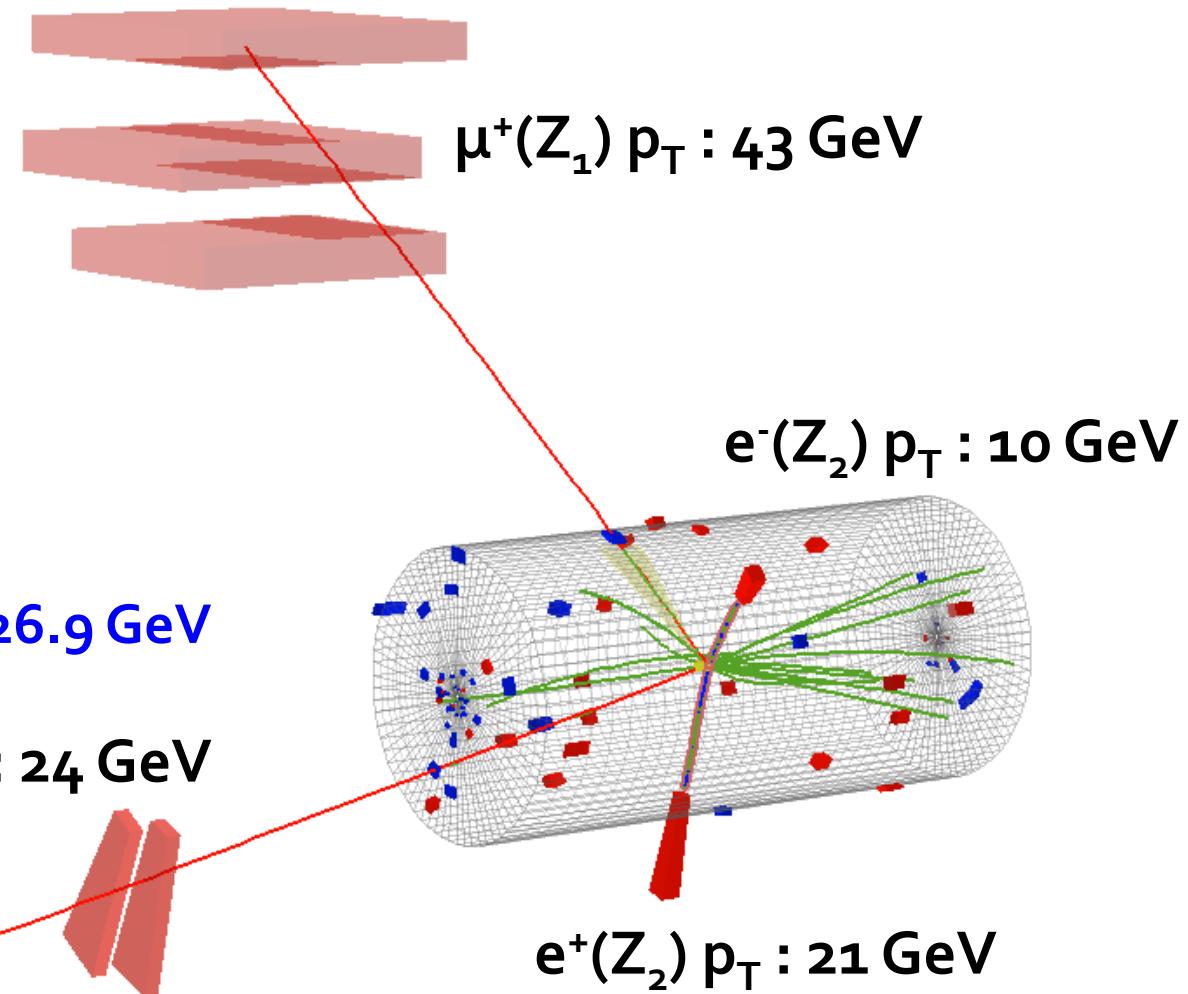
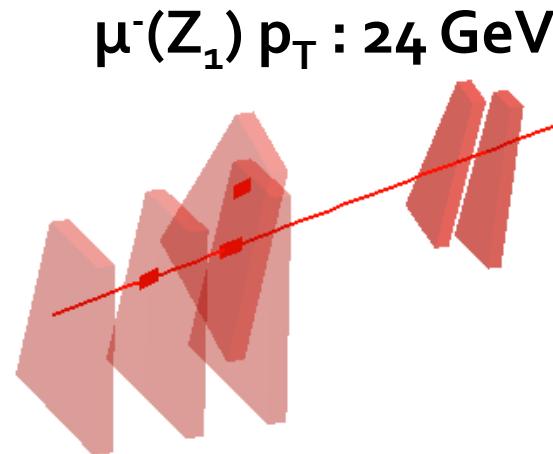


technique applicable for signal hypothesis testing



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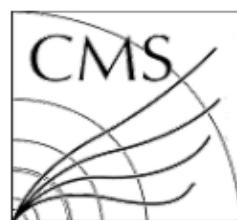
4-lepton Mass : 126.9 GeV



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7 TeV DATA

4 $\mu + \gamma$  Mass : 126.1 GeV

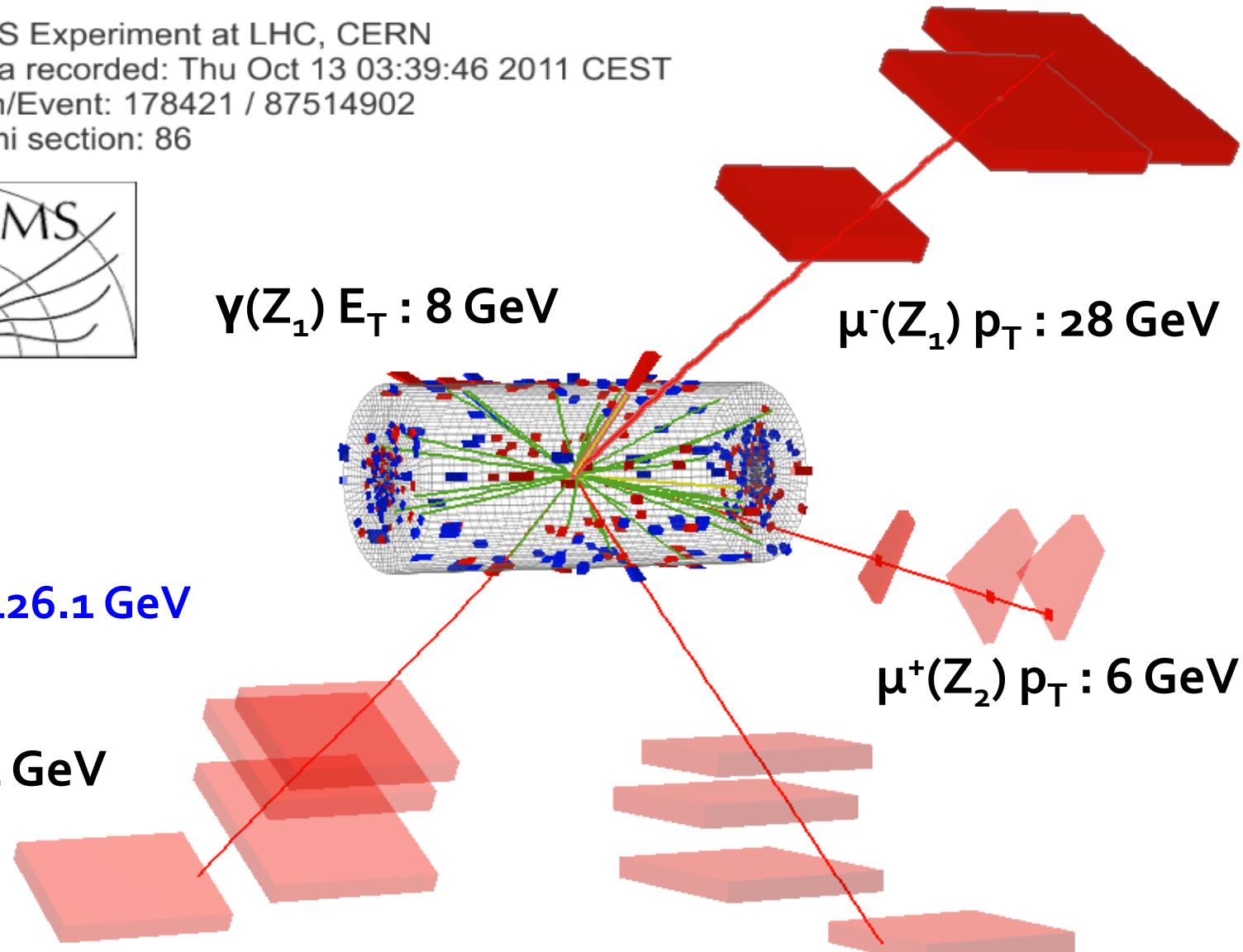
$\mu^-(Z_2) p_T : 14$  GeV

$\gamma(Z_1) E_T : 8$  GeV

$\mu^-(Z_1) p_T : 28$  GeV

$\mu^+(Z_2) p_T : 6$  GeV

$\mu^+(Z_1) p_T : 67$  GeV





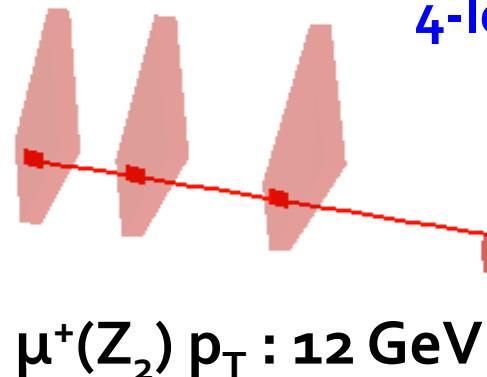
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$\mu^-(Z_2) p_T : 15 \text{ GeV}$

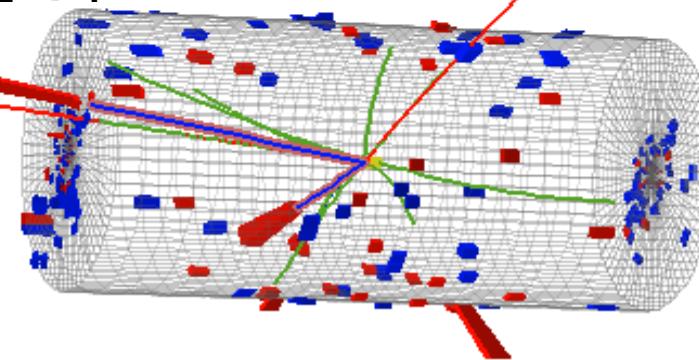
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4-lepton Mass : 125.8 GeV

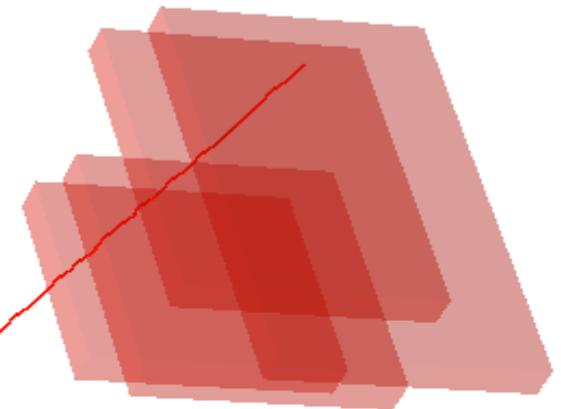
$e^+(Z_1) p_T : 28 \text{ GeV}$

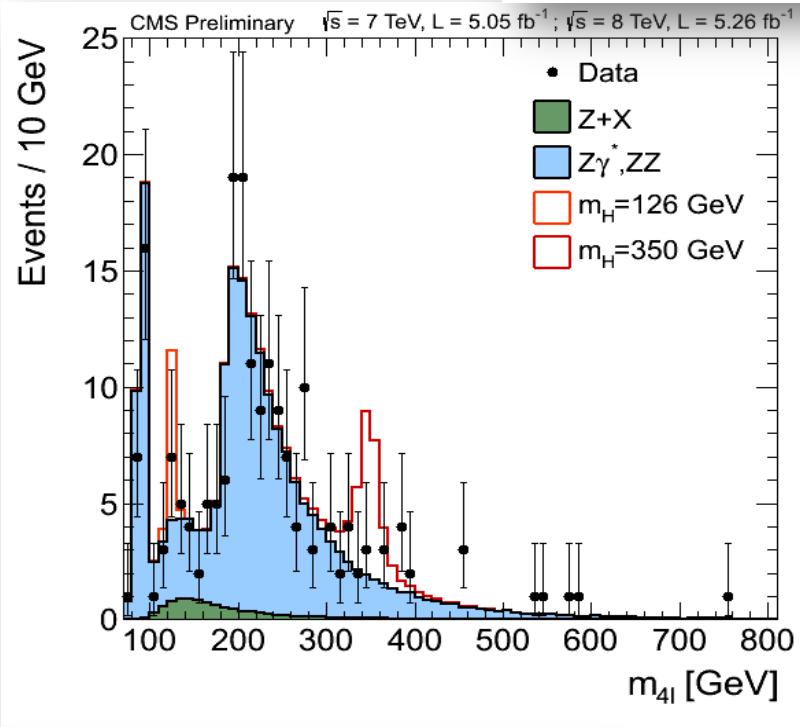
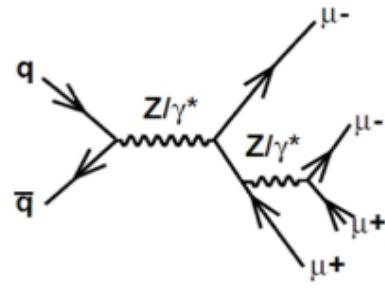


$\mu^+(Z_2) p_T : 12 \text{ GeV}$



$e^-(Z_1) p_T : 14 \text{ GeV}$





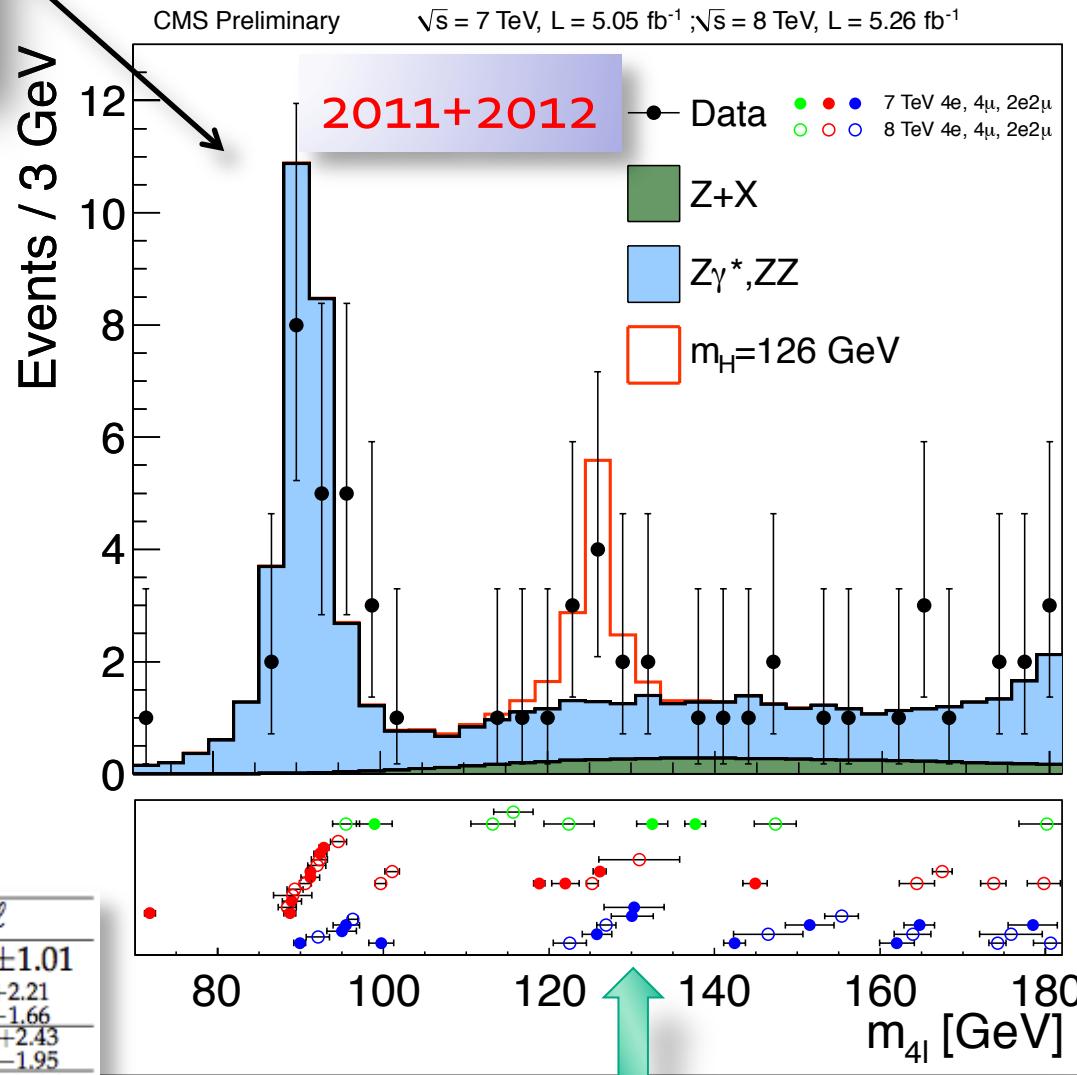
Yields for  $m(4l)=110\ldots160 \text{ GeV}$

Channel	4e	4 $\mu$	2e2 $\mu$	4 $\ell$
ZZ background	$2.65 \pm 0.31$	$5.65 \pm 0.59$	$7.17 \pm 0.76$	$15.48 \pm 1.01$
Z+X	$1.20^{+1.08}_{-0.78}$	$0.92^{+0.65}_{-0.55}$	$2.29^{+1.81}_{-1.36}$	$4.41^{+2.21}_{-1.66}$
All backgrounds	$3.85^{+1.12}_{-0.84}$	$6.58^{+0.88}_{-0.81}$	$9.46^{+1.96}_{-1.56}$	$19.88^{+2.43}_{-1.95}$
$m_H = 126 \text{ GeV}$	$1.51 \pm 0.48$	$2.99 \pm 0.60$	$3.81 \pm 0.89$	$8.31 \pm 1.18$

164 events expected in [100, 800 GeV]

172 events observed in [100, 800 GeV]

# Results: $m(4l)$ spectrum

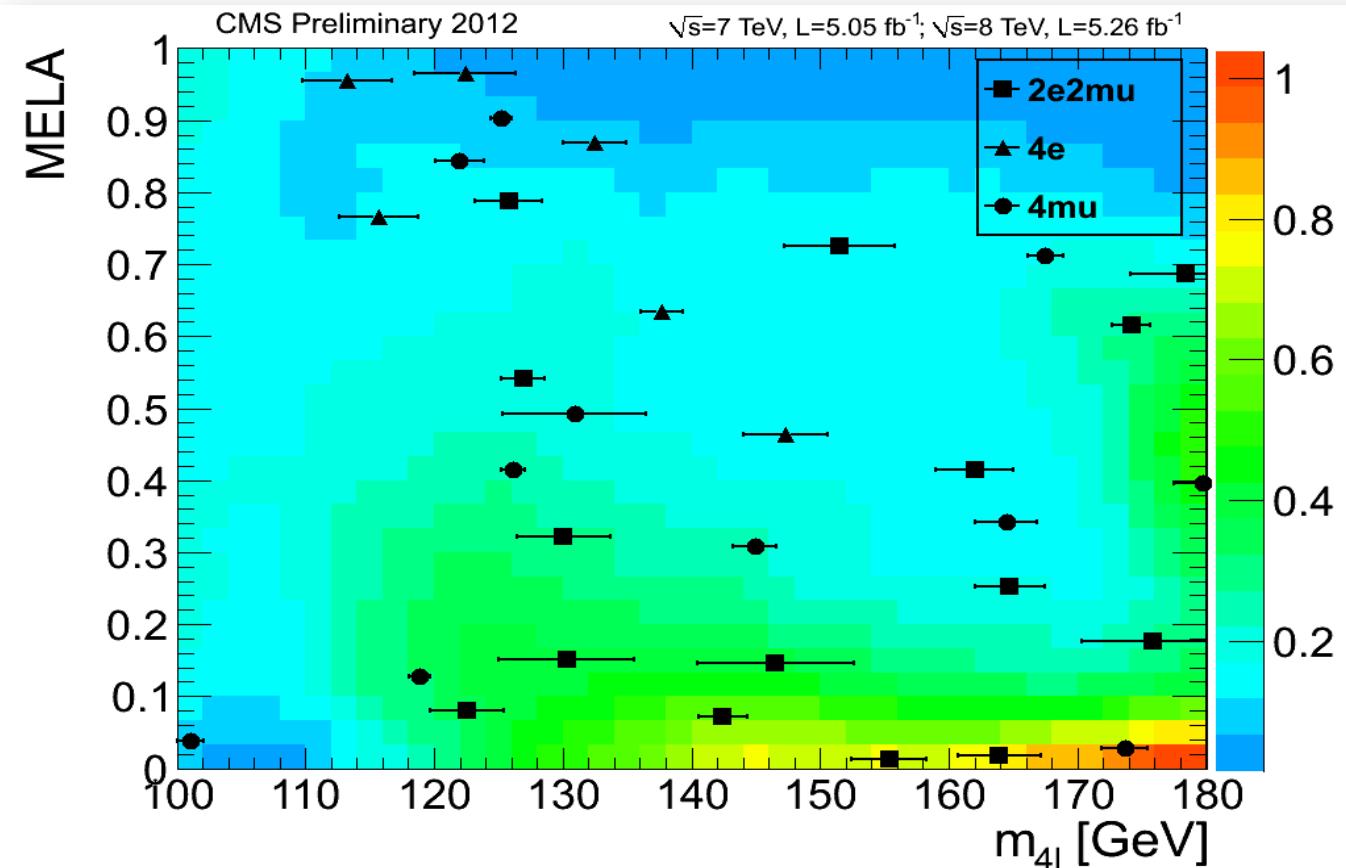


Event-by-event errors

# Results: MELA 2D plots

## Perform 2D fit

- MELA discriminant versus  $m_{4l}$
- Data points shown with per-event mass uncertainties

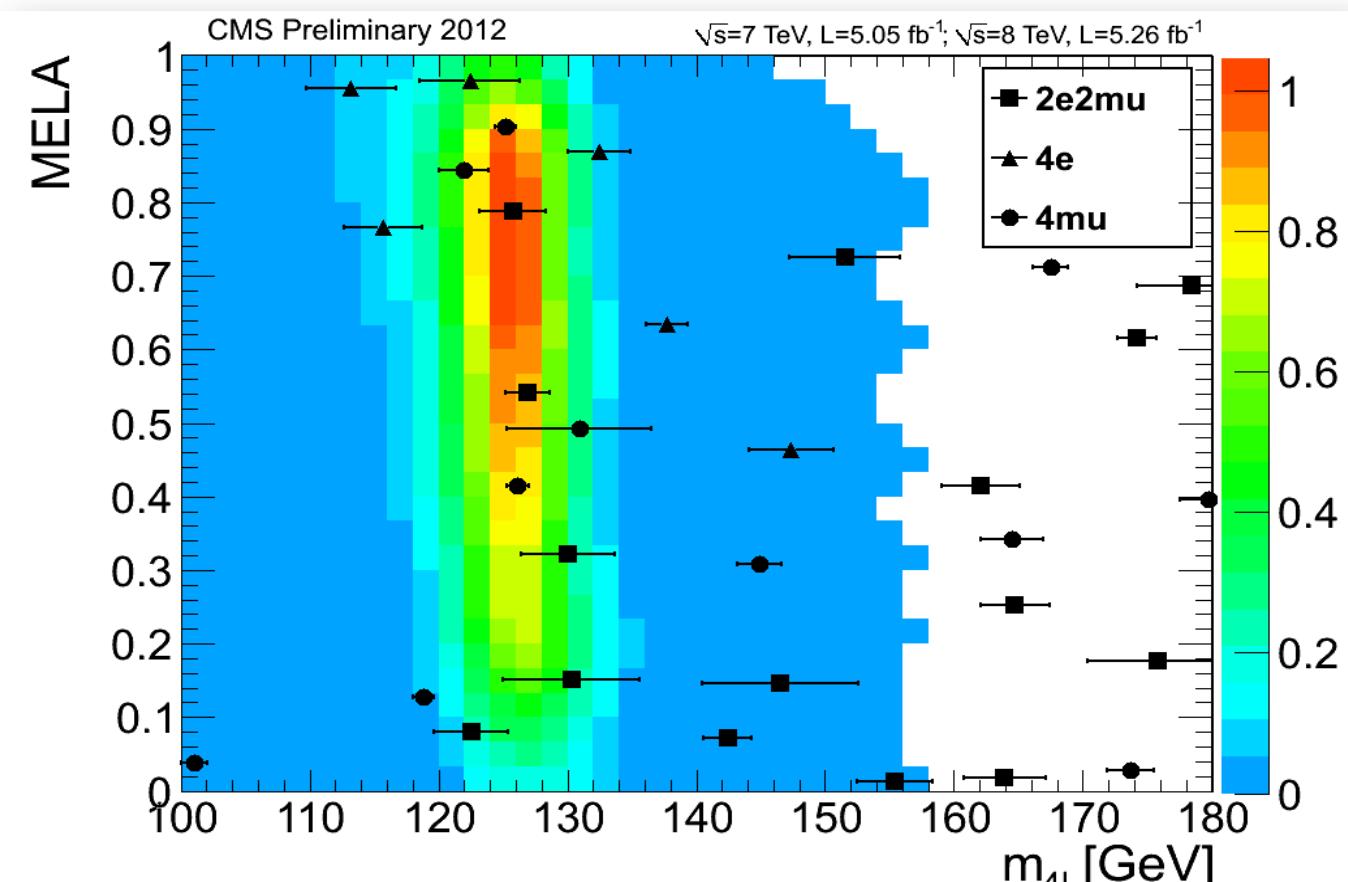


Data w.r.t. background expectation

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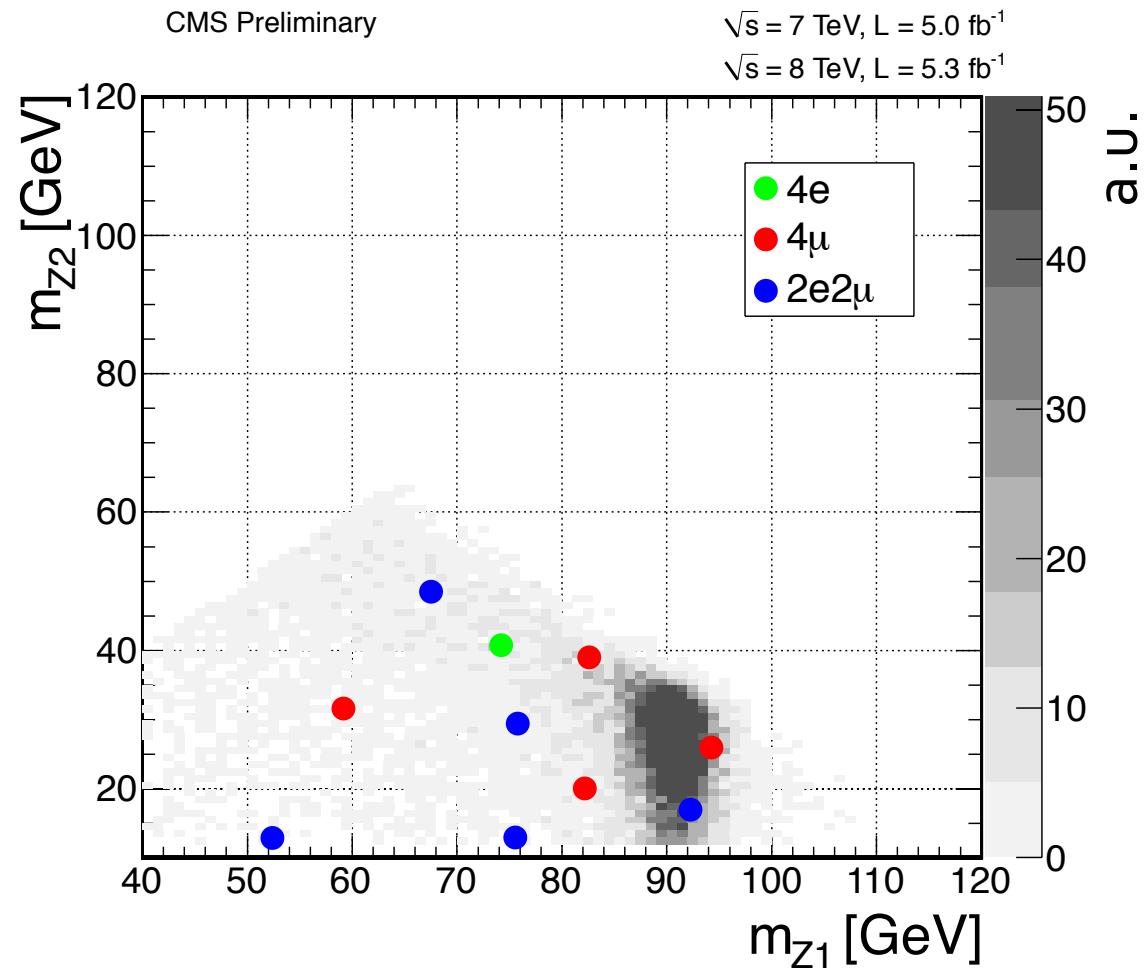
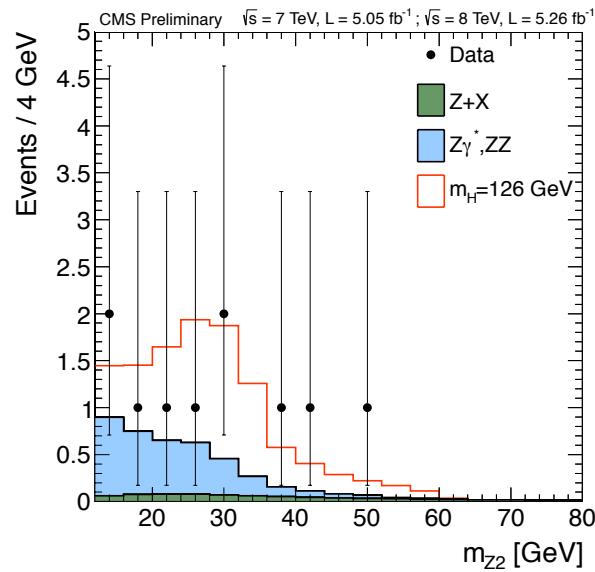
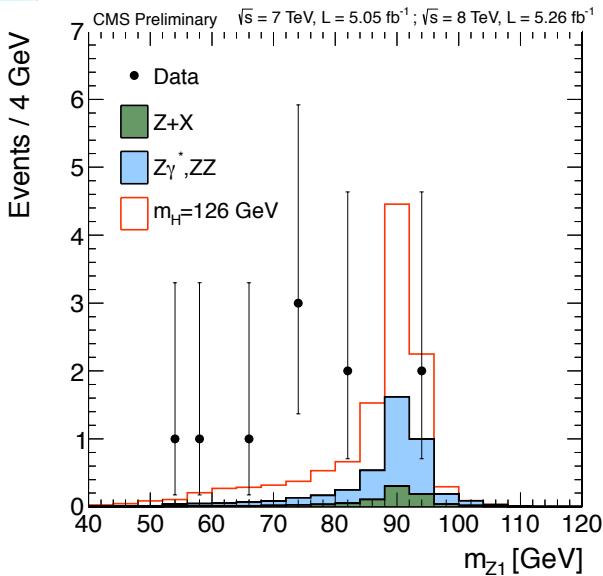
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Data w.r.t 126 GeV Higgs Expectation



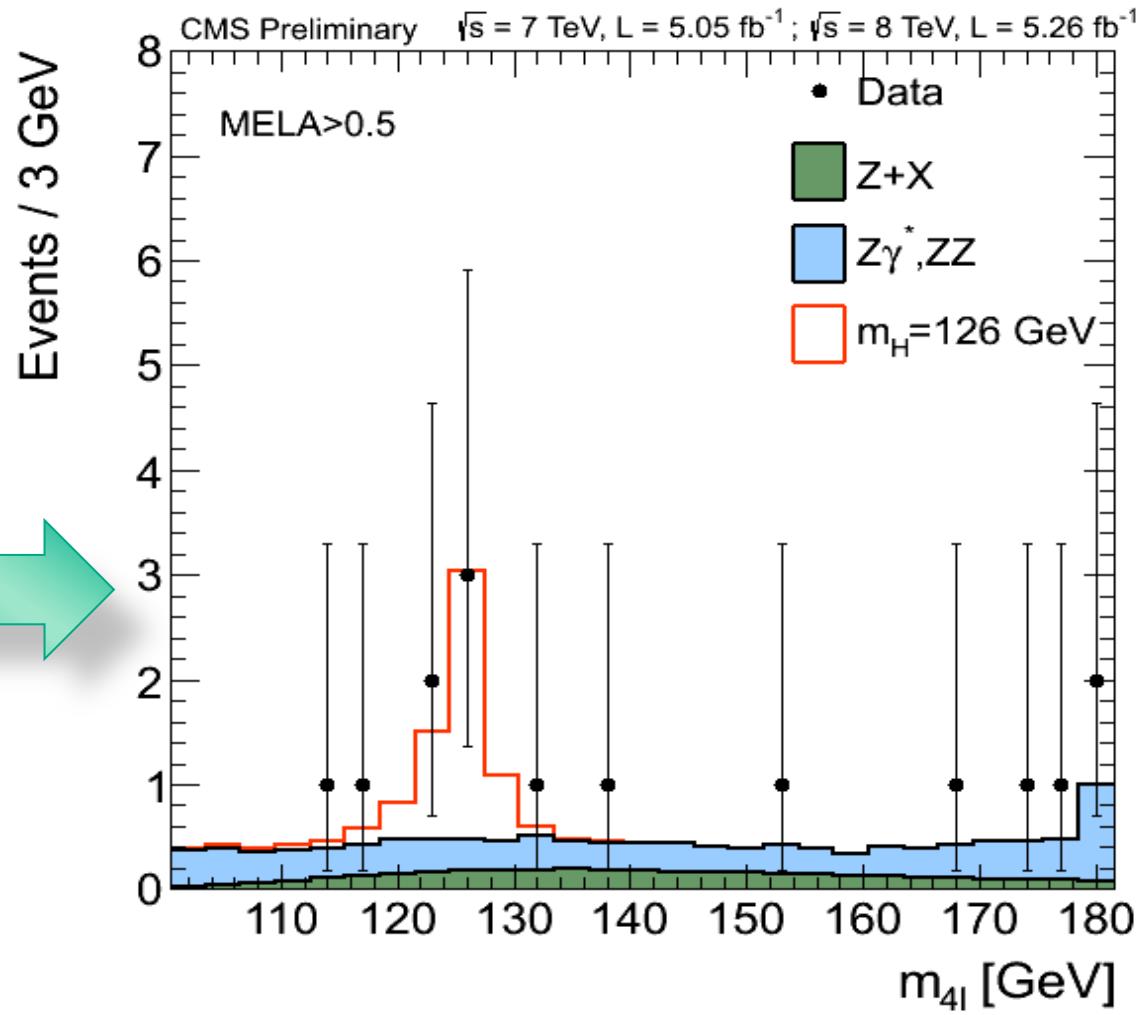
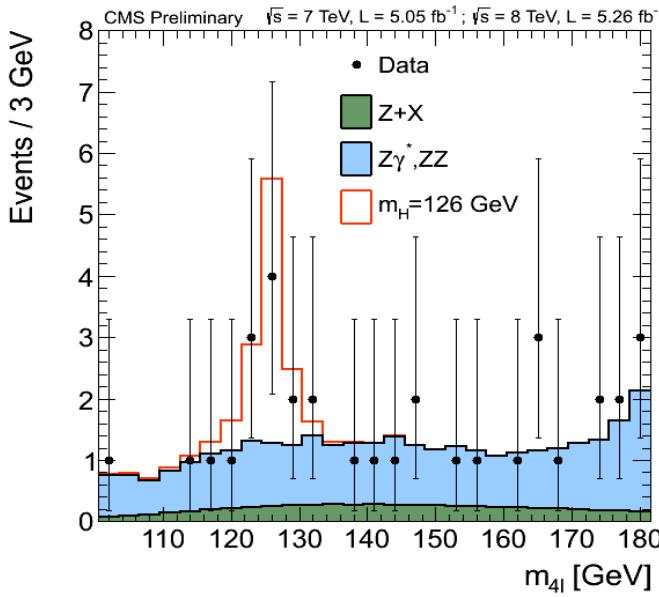
# Two-lepton invariant mass plots



Grey – is simulation (expectation) for Higgs (126 GeV)

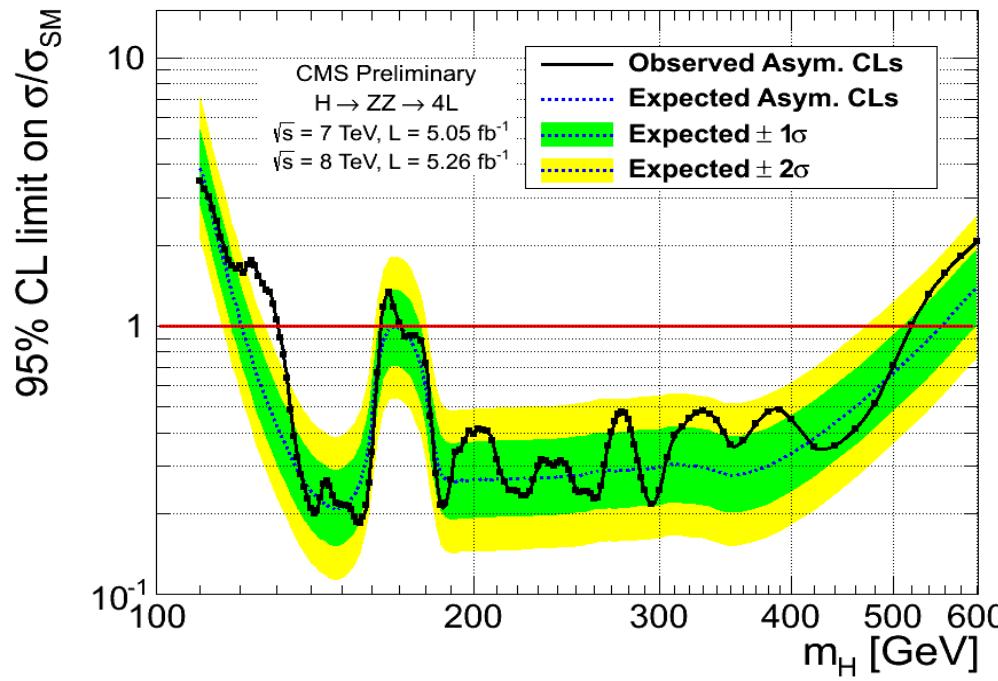
# For illustration: Low mass region with MELA cut

- Enrich the signal content
  - Cut: MELA > 0.5
    - Cut value chosen such that signal probability > background probability





# Limits and p-values

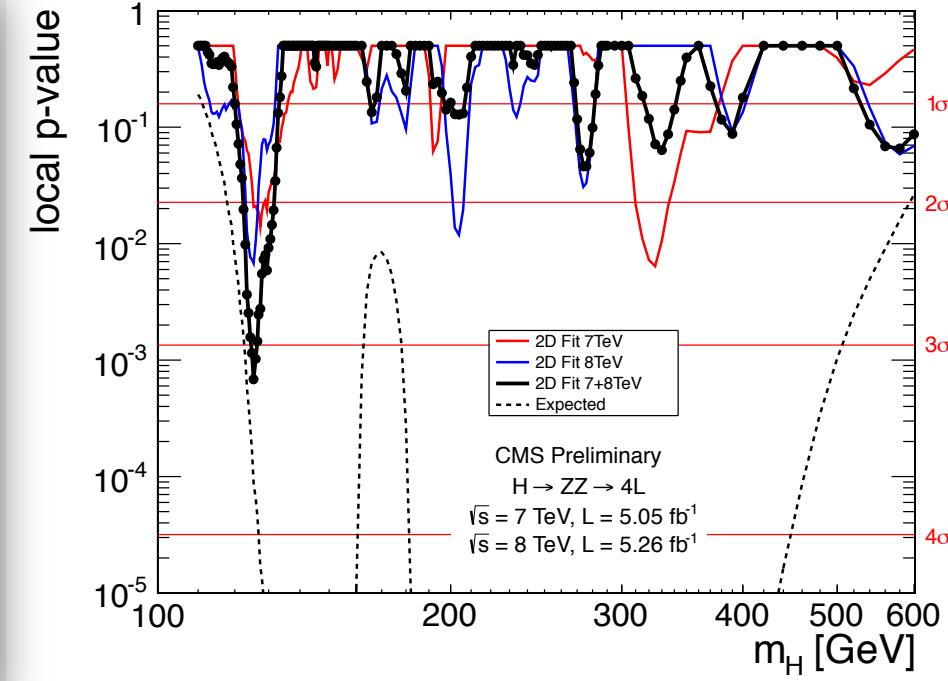


Expected exclusion at 95% CL :

**121-550 GeV**

Observed exclusion at 95% CL :

**131-162 GeV and 172-530 GeV**



Expected significance at 125.5 GeV :

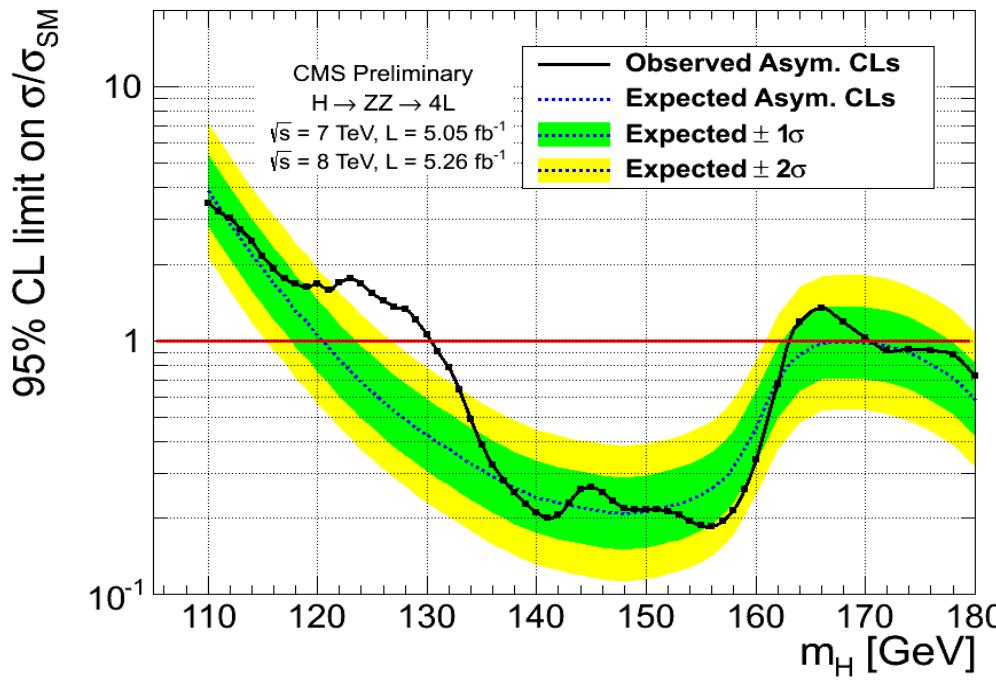
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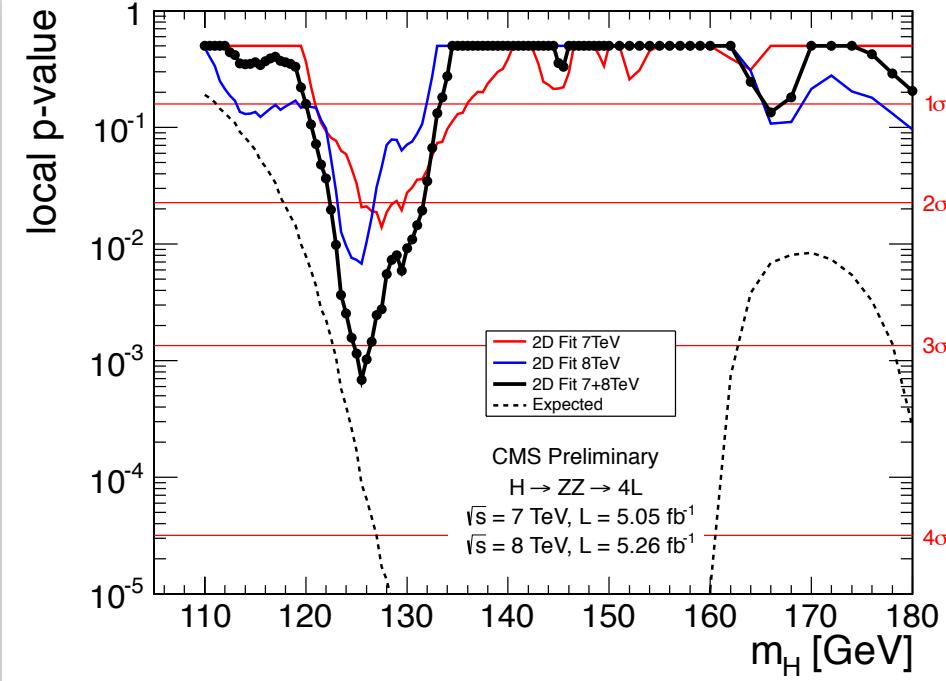


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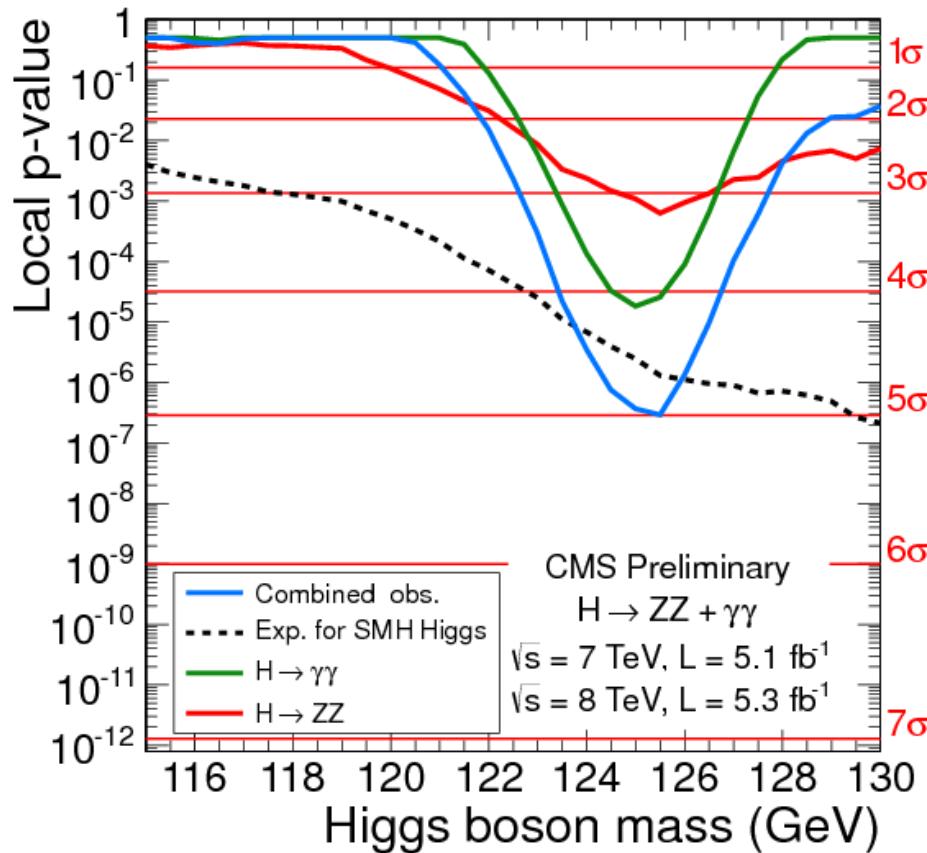
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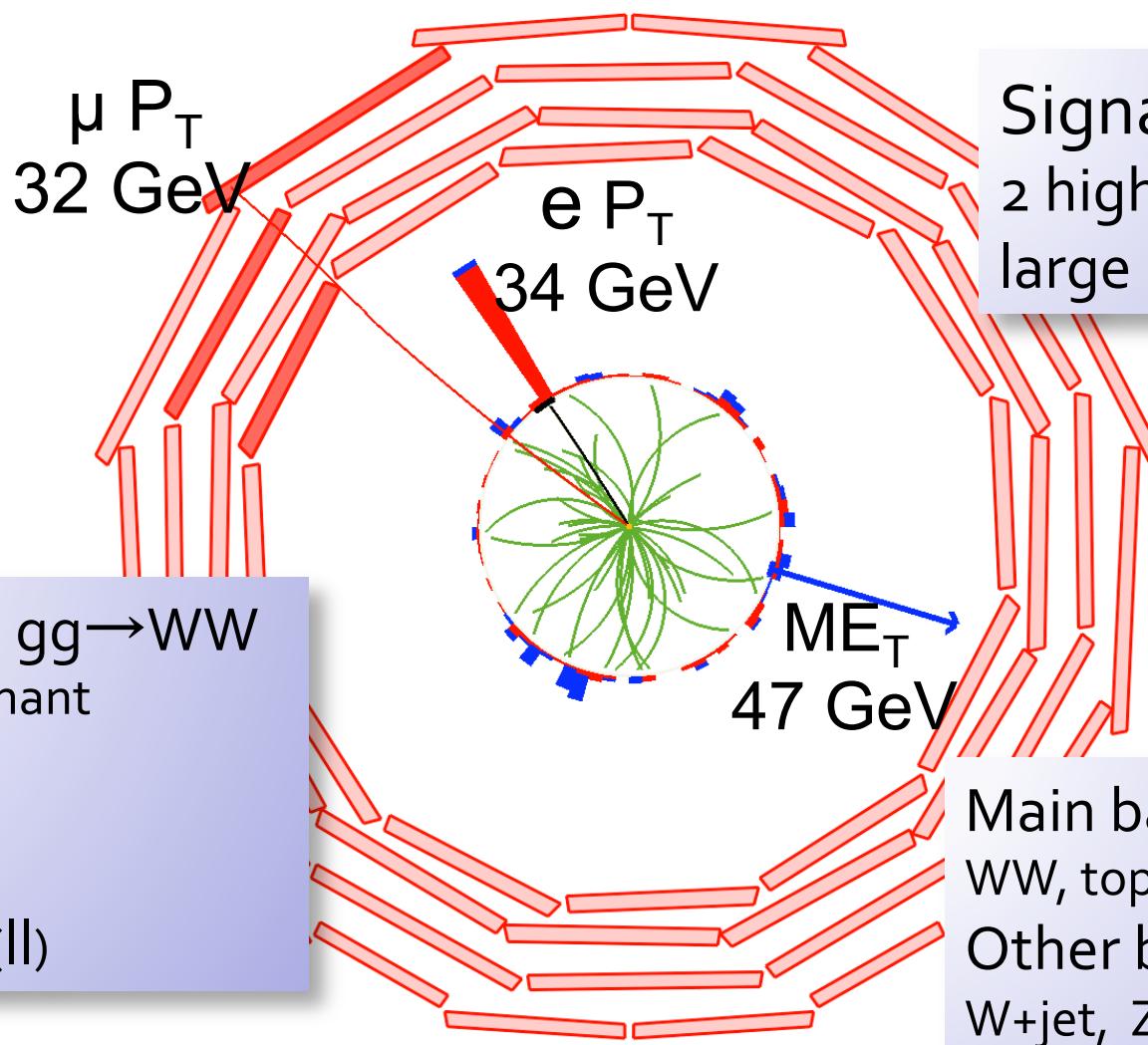
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# $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l l l l$ Signature



**Signature:**  
2 high  $p_T$  leptons  
large missing  $E_T$

$qq \rightarrow WW + gg \rightarrow WW$

- Non-resonant

$H \rightarrow WW$

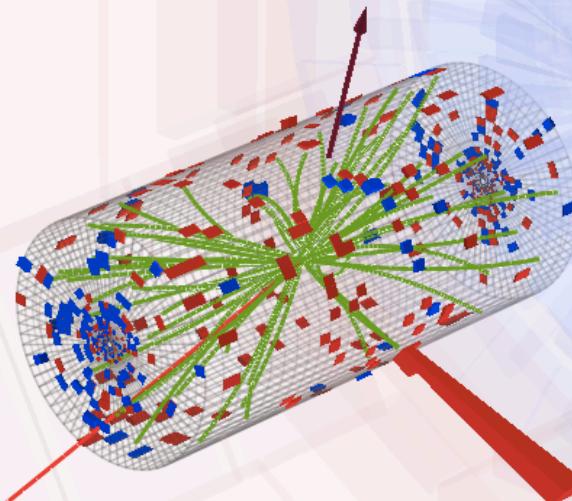
- Large BR
- Small  $\Delta\phi(l l)$

**Main backgrounds:**  
WW, top  
**Other backgrounds:**  
W+jet, Z/ $\gamma^*$ , WZ, ZZ, W $\gamma$

# Analysis Strategies

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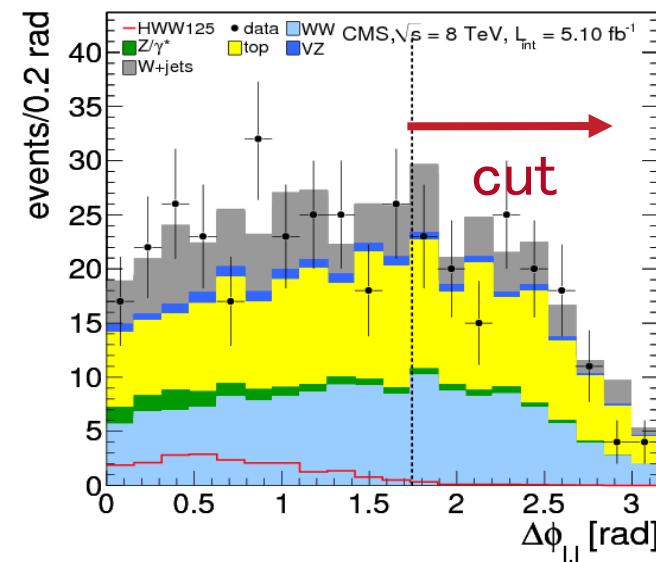
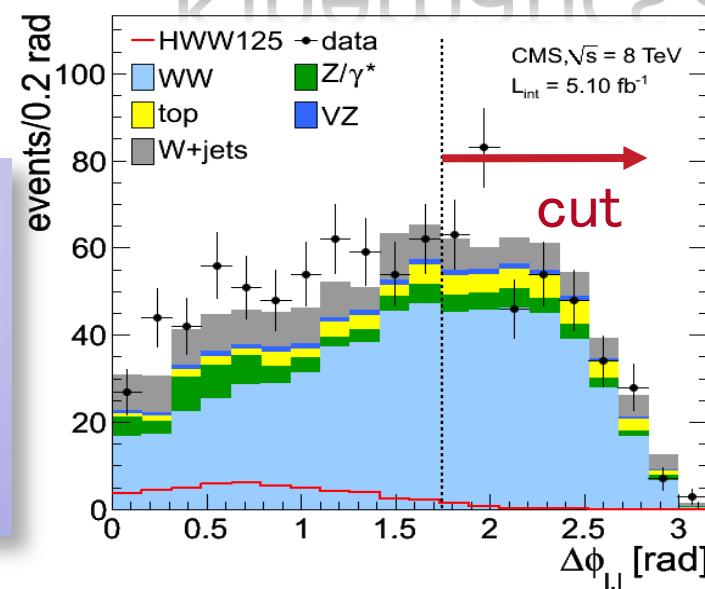
- W+jets  
Fake rate measured in QCD enriched data sample
- Z/ $\gamma^*$   
Normalised in Z mass
- Top  
b-tagging efficiency measured in top control region in data



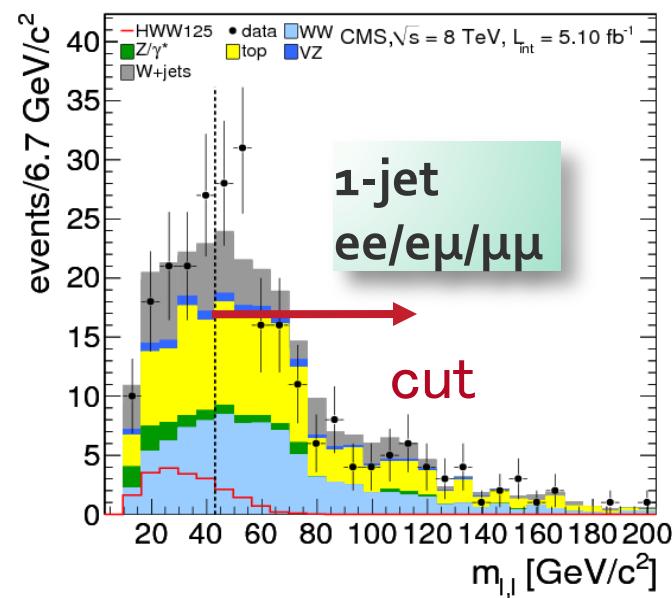
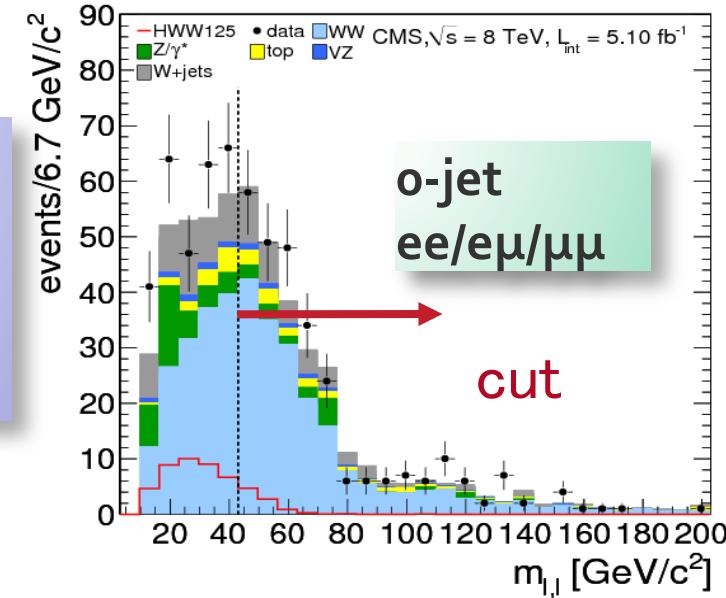
- Split in categories
- 0/1-jet and VBF
  - Final state lepton flavors
- Cut-based approach for the first 2012 result

# Kinematics at Final Selection

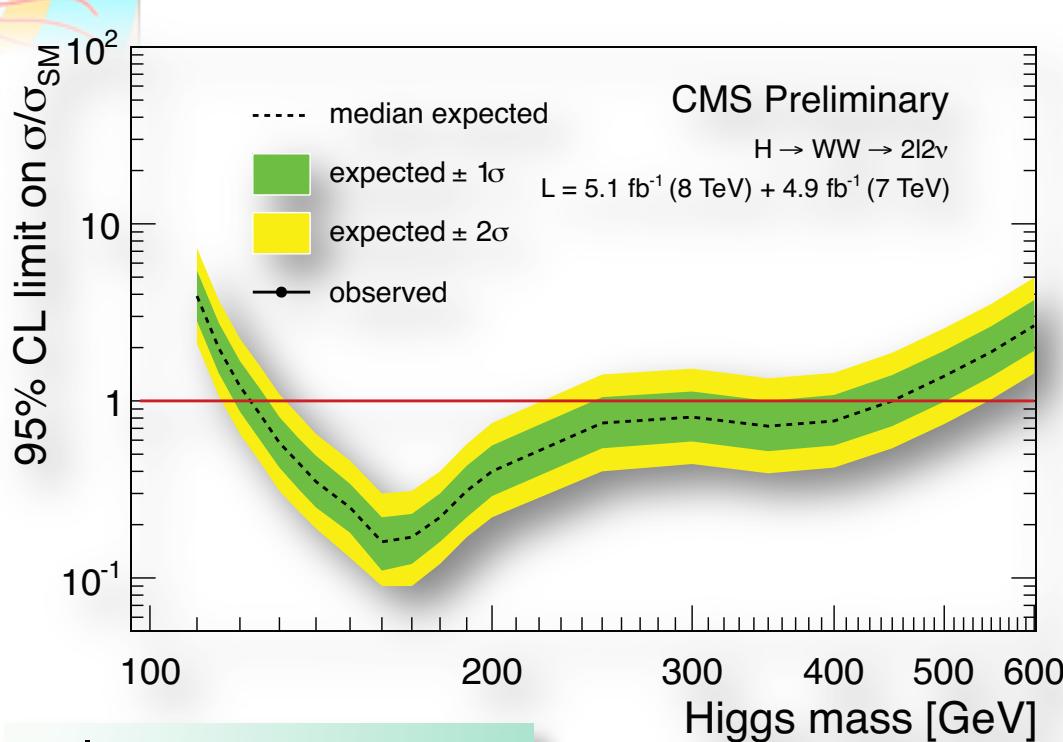
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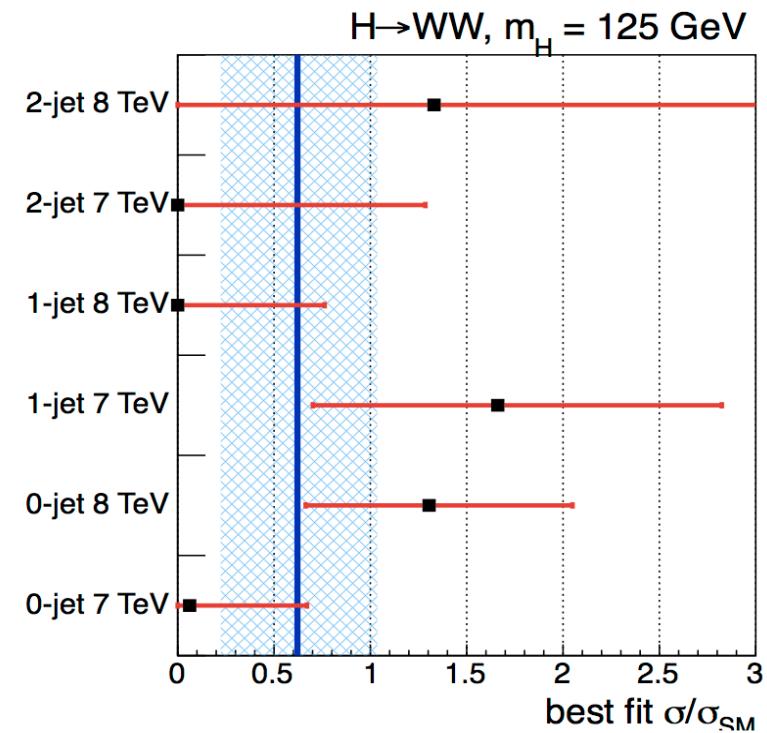
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# Combination of 7 TeV + 8 TeV

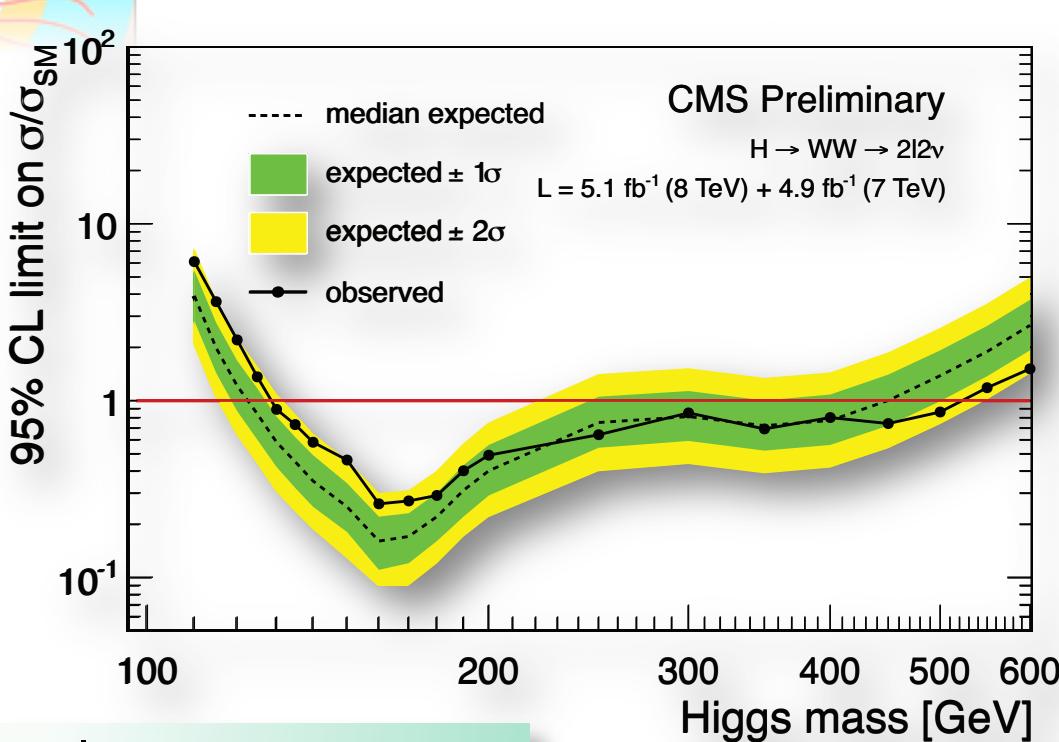


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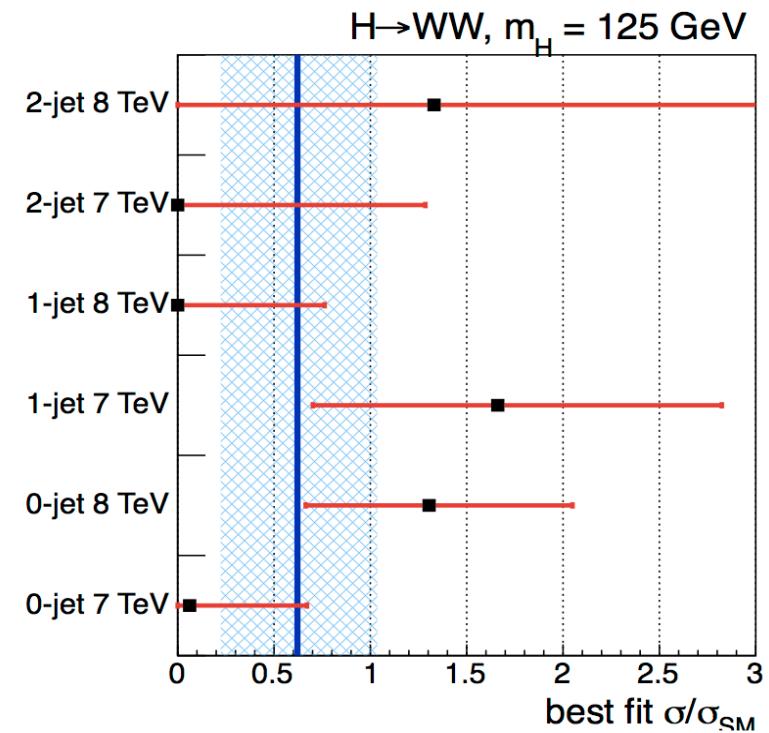


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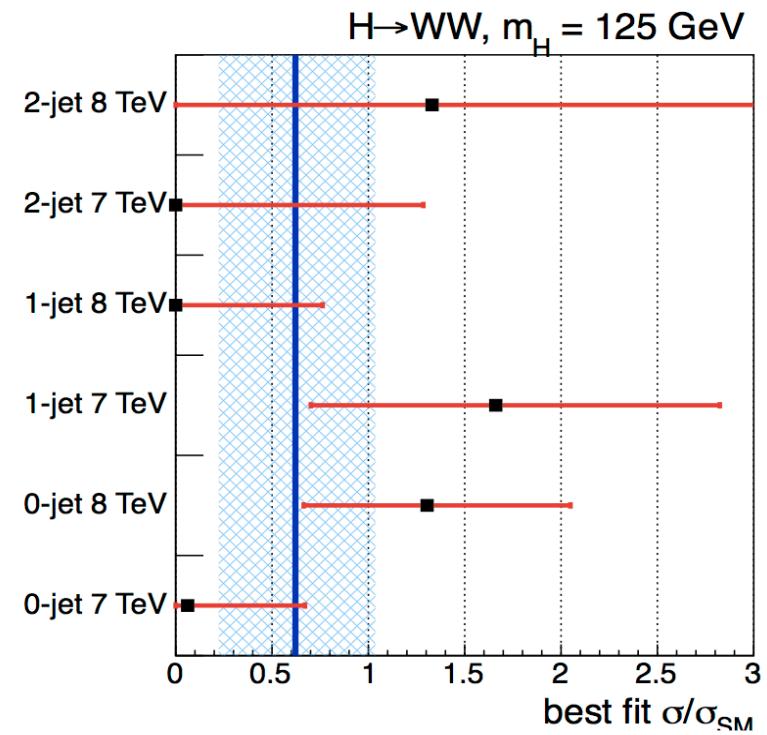
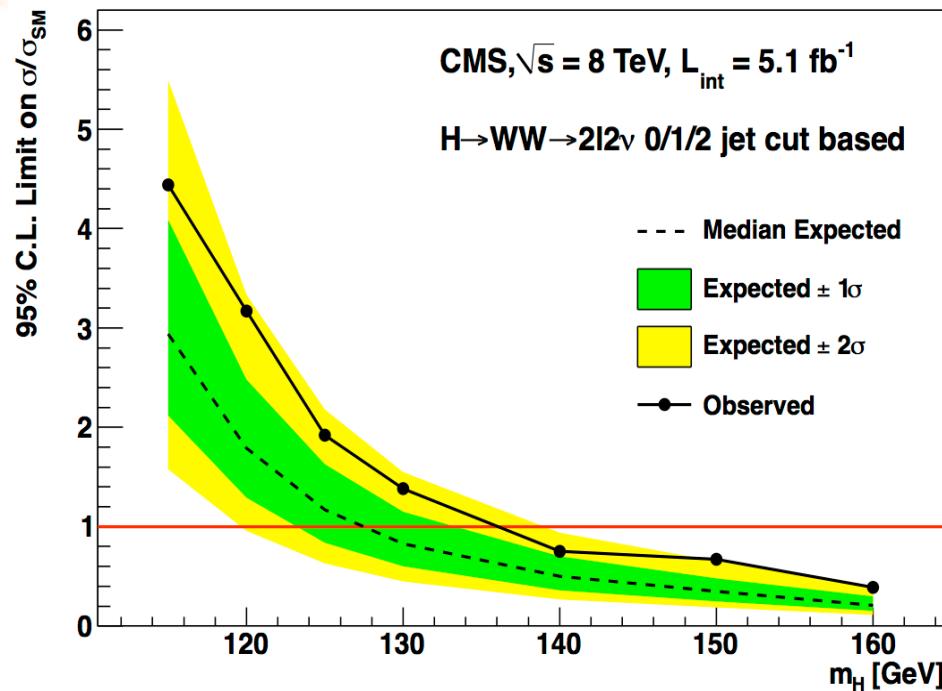


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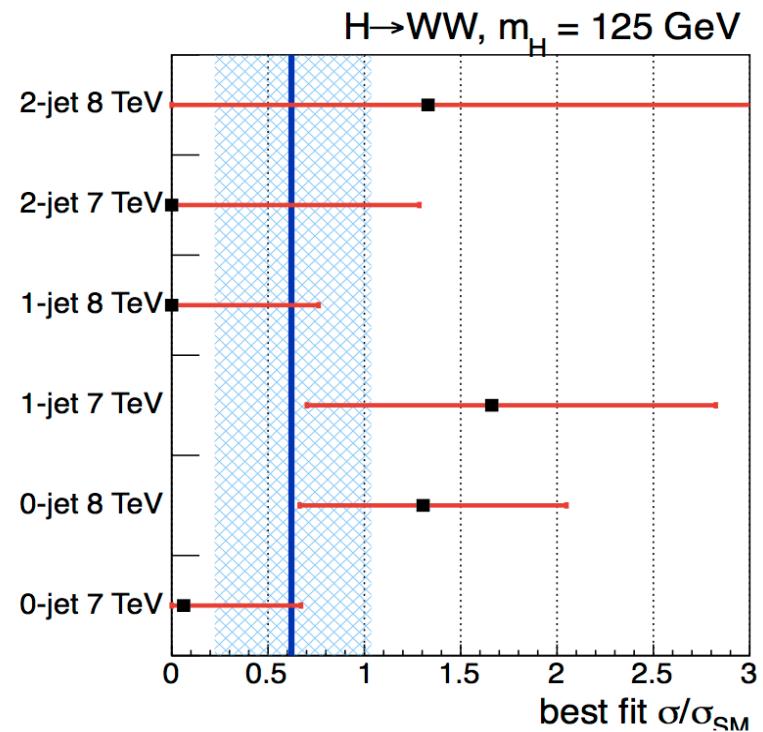
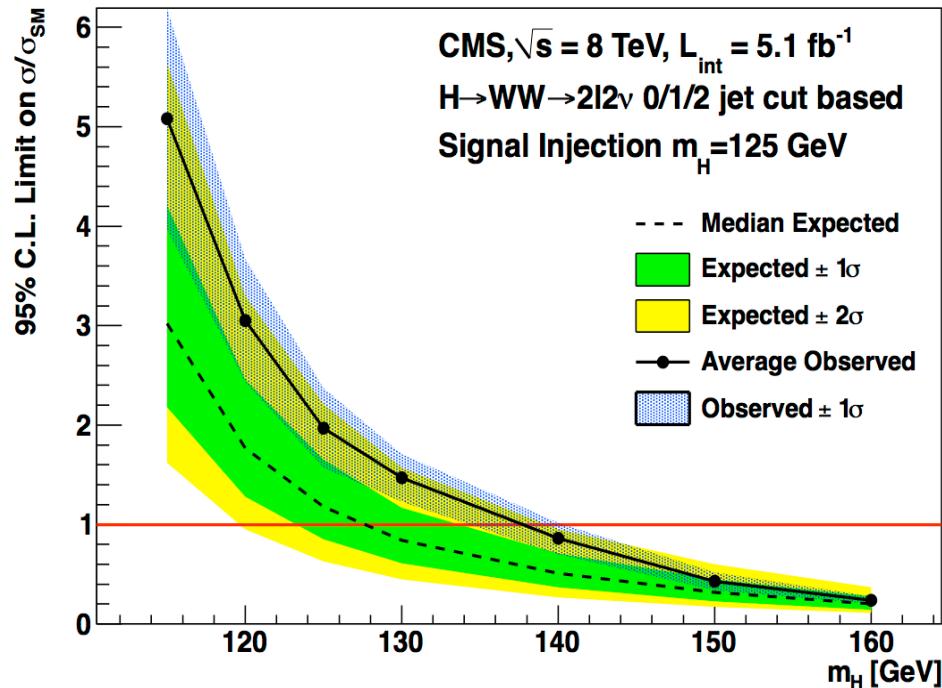
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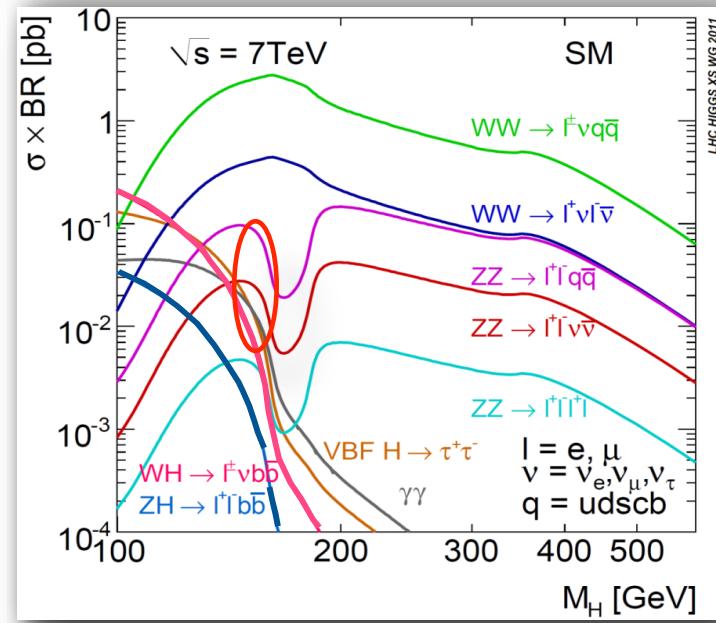
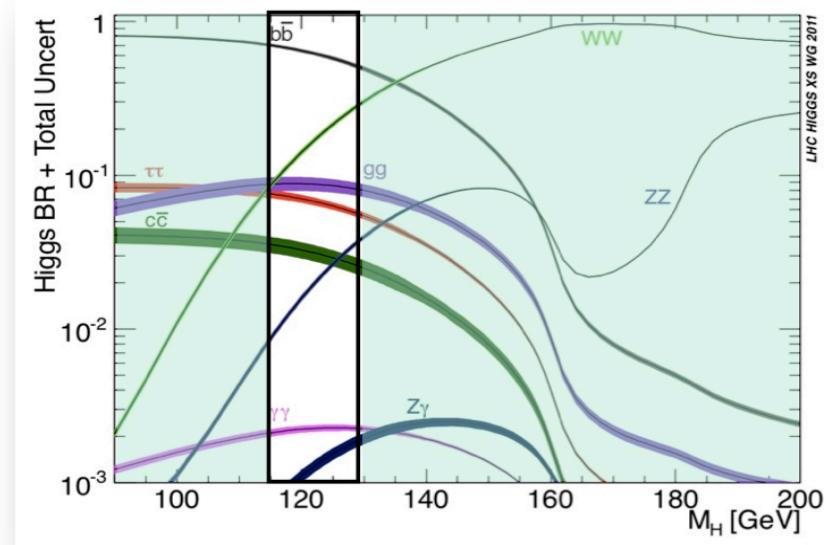
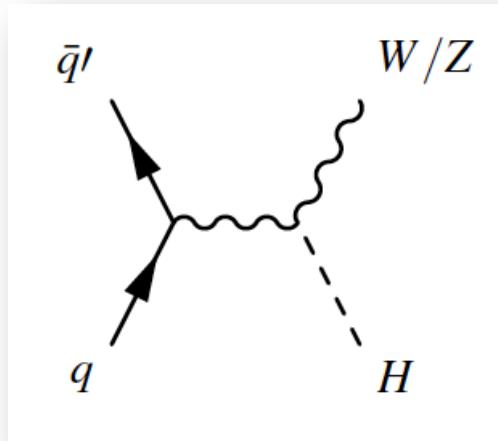
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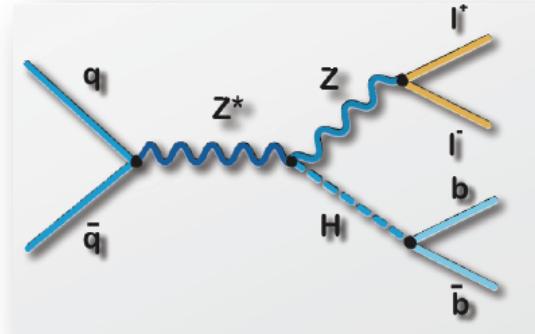
- Characteristics and importance
  - By far, largest BR for  $m_H < 130$  GeV
  - Key piece of the observation puzzle
    - Tests specific production & decay couplings
- But  $\sigma_{bb}(\text{QCD}) \sim 10^7 \sigma \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow bb)$ !

$\Rightarrow$  Search in associated production with W or Z



# Analysis Strategy

Associated Production  
=> final states with  
leptons, MET and b-jets



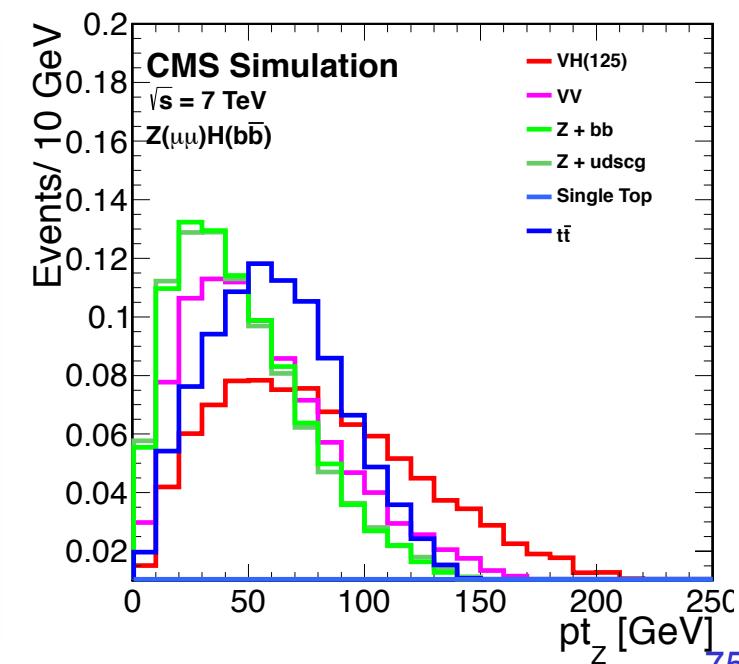
- 5 channels**
- $Z(l\bar{l})H(bb)$
  - $Z(\nu\bar{\nu})H(bb)$
  - $W(l\nu)H(bb)$

Reducible Backgrounds:  
QCD, top, W/Z+ light jets

Less reducible:  
 $V+bb$ ,  $ZZ(bb)$ ,  $WZ(bb)$

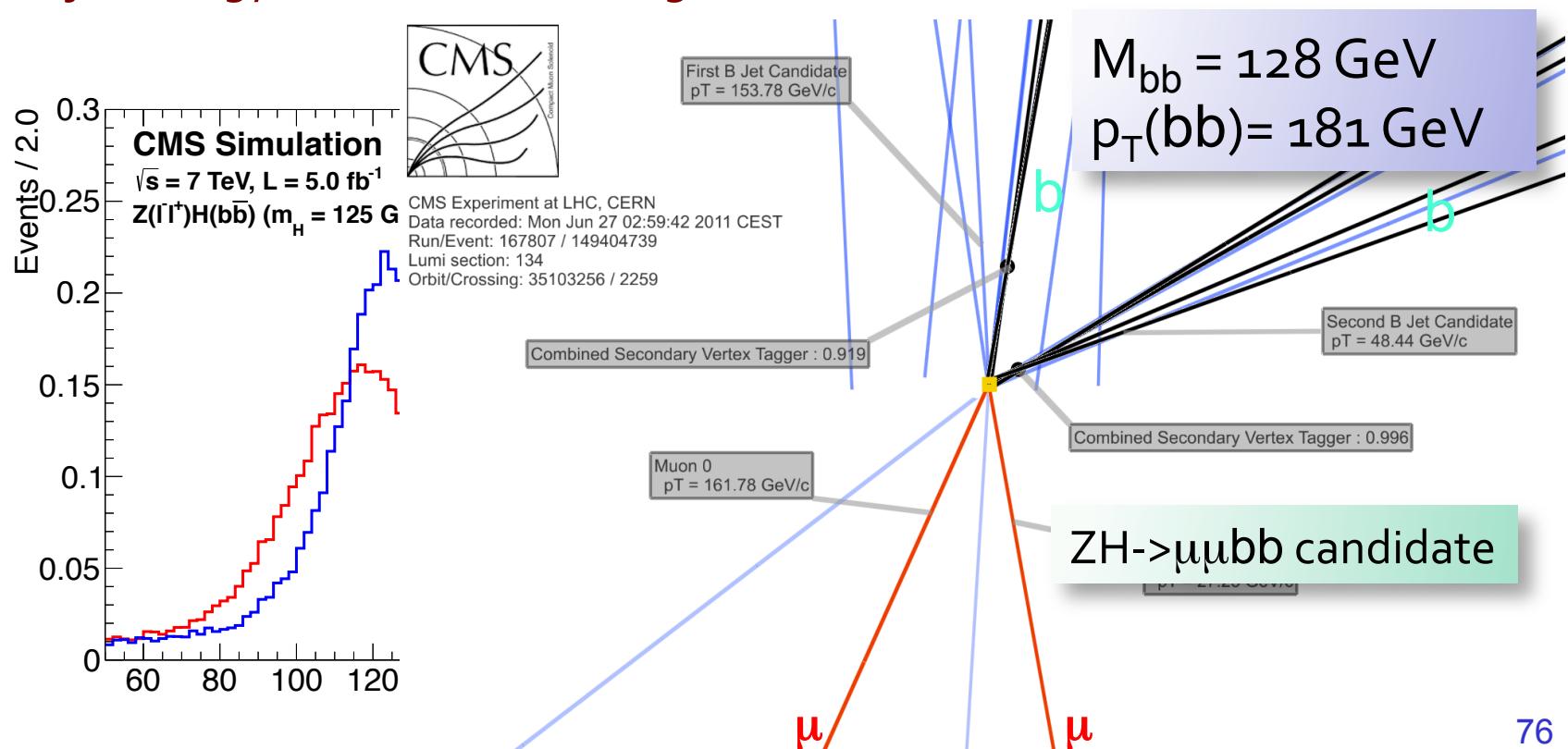
Boosted vector bosons:  
 $p_T(V)$ ,  
2 b-tagged jets ( $H \rightarrow bb$ )  
Back-to-back V and H,  
reconstruct  $m_{bb}$

Main backgrounds  
estimated from data in  
control regions



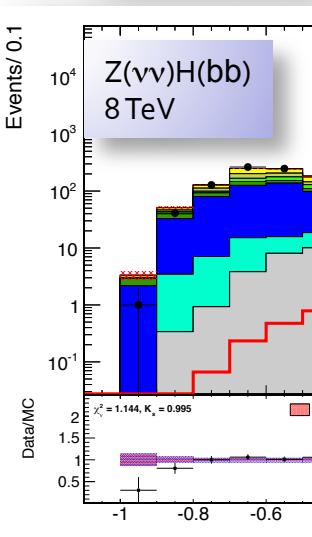
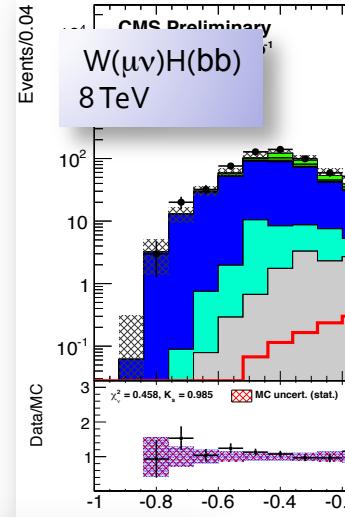
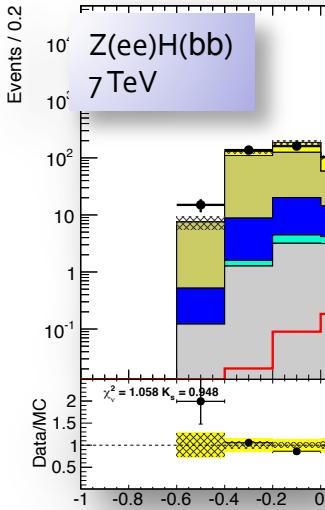
# Event selection

- First CMS VHbb 2011 analysis: Phys. Lett. B 710(2012) 284-306
- Here 5 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 7 TeV (2011) + 5 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 8 TeV (2012)
  - Improvements OF ~ 50% in sensitivity:
  - Two Pt(V) bins: “low” and “high” – see backup
  - Fit the shape of the MVA output distribution (vs cut and count)
  - Improved b-jet energy resolution [MVA regression]



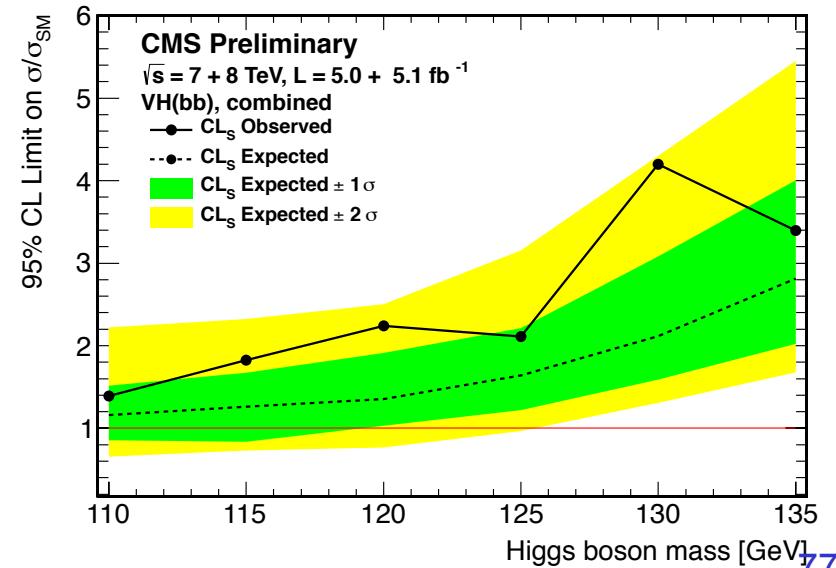
## Examples of final MVA distributions

# Results

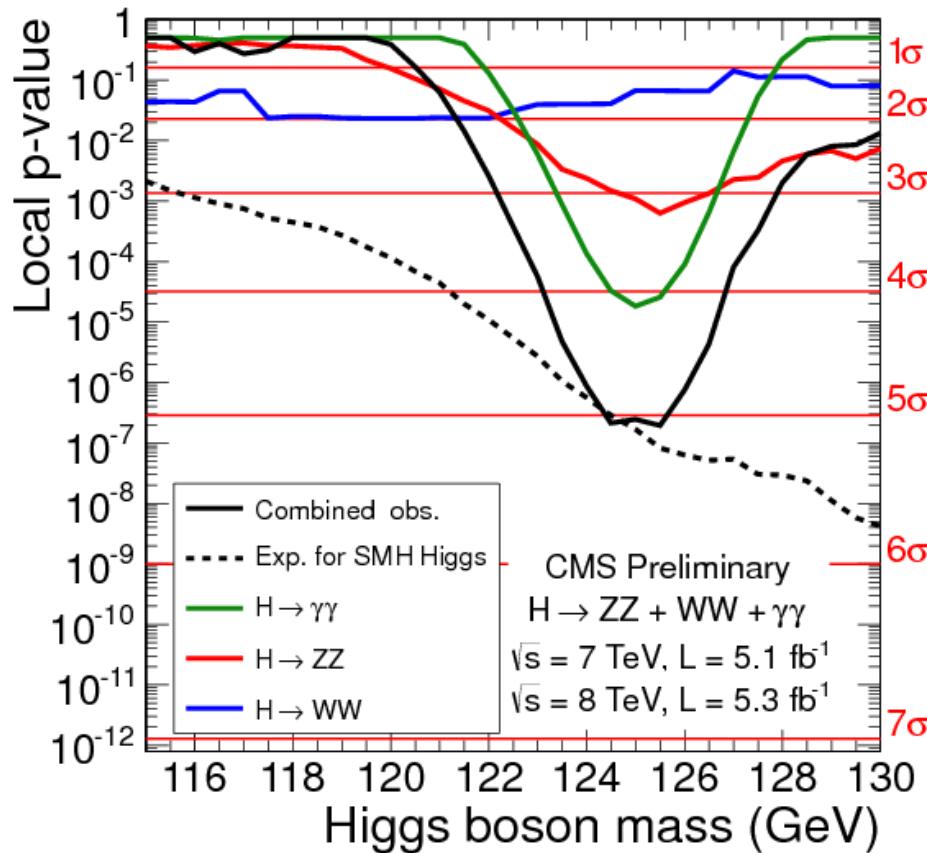


- Data
- VH( $b\bar{b}$ )
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- Z +  $b\bar{b}$
- Z + udscg
- W +  $b\bar{b}$
- W + udscg
- $t\bar{t}$
- Single top
- VV
- ▨ MC uncert. (stat.)

- Observed limits:
- Compatible with either background or signal from a 125 GeV Higgs



# Characterization of excess near 125 GeV

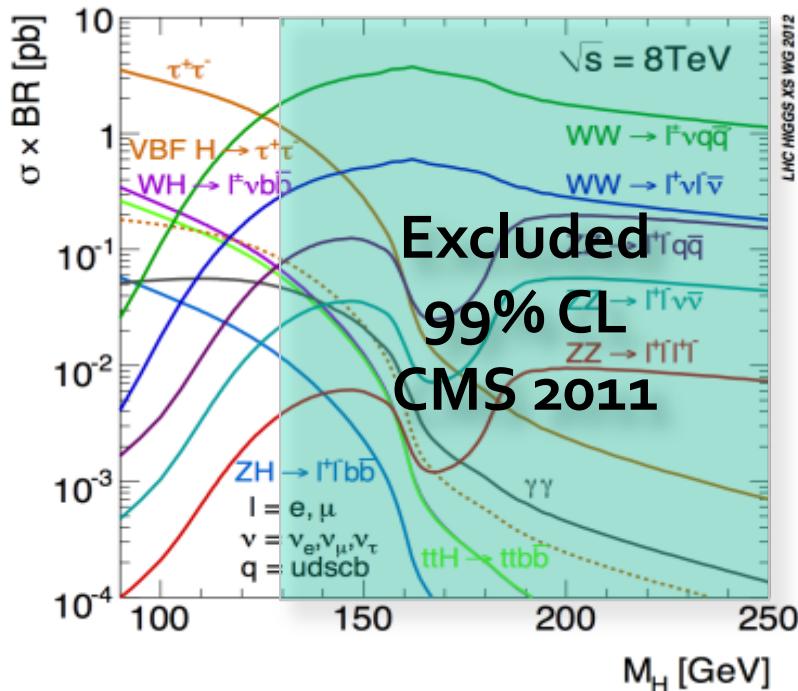
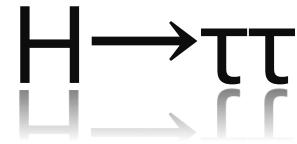


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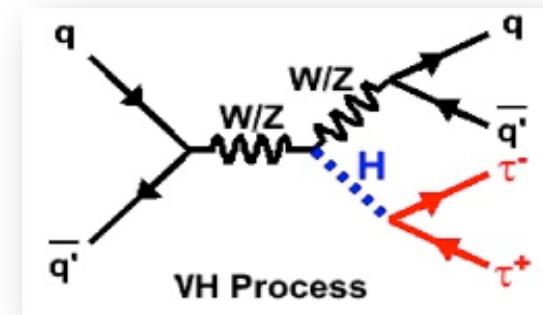
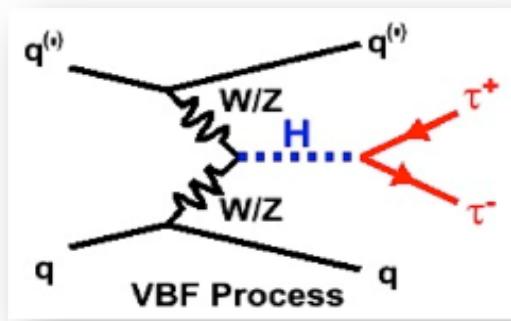
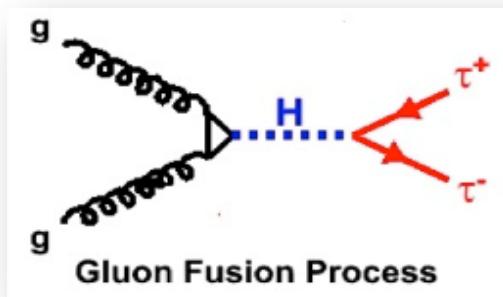
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## Characteristics

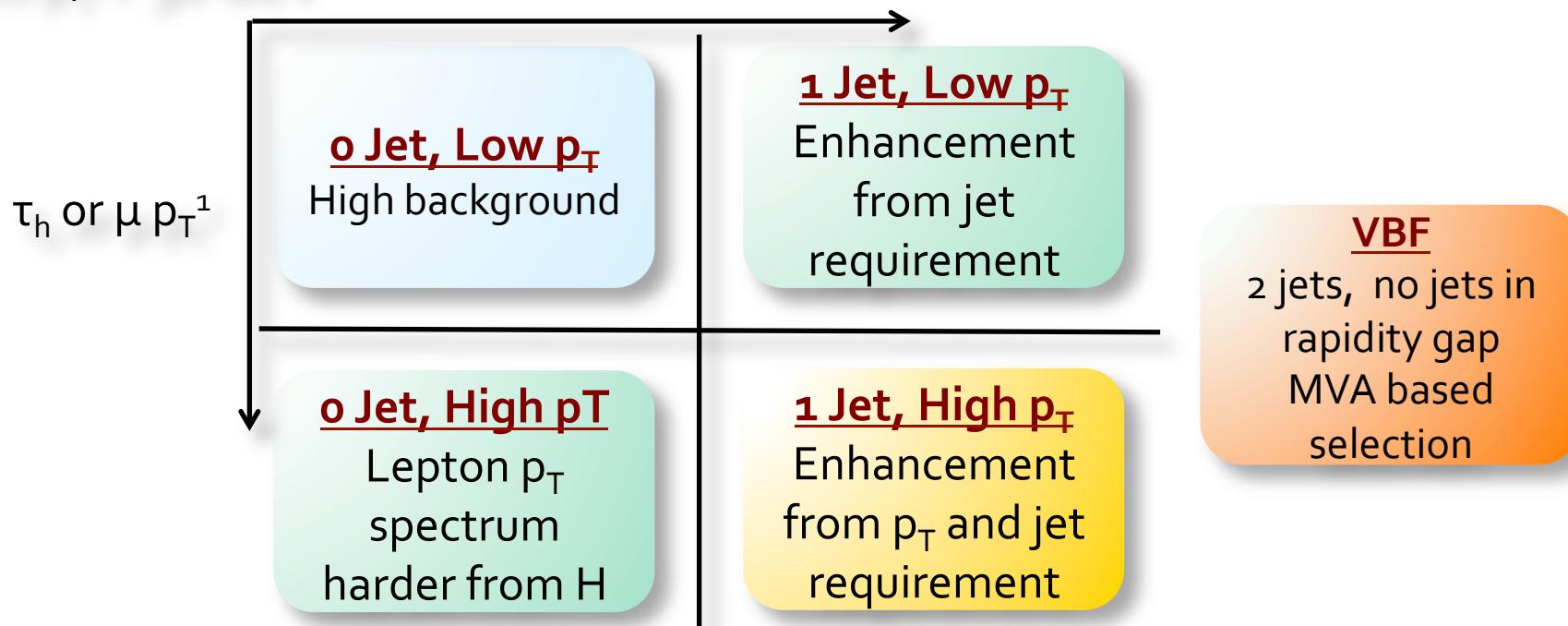
- High  $\sigma \cdot BR$  at low mass
- Sensitive to all production modes
- Probes coupling to leptons
- Enhanced  $\sigma \times BR$  in MSSM
- Challenging large backgrounds:
  - DY  $\rightarrow \tau\tau$ , W+Jets, QCD



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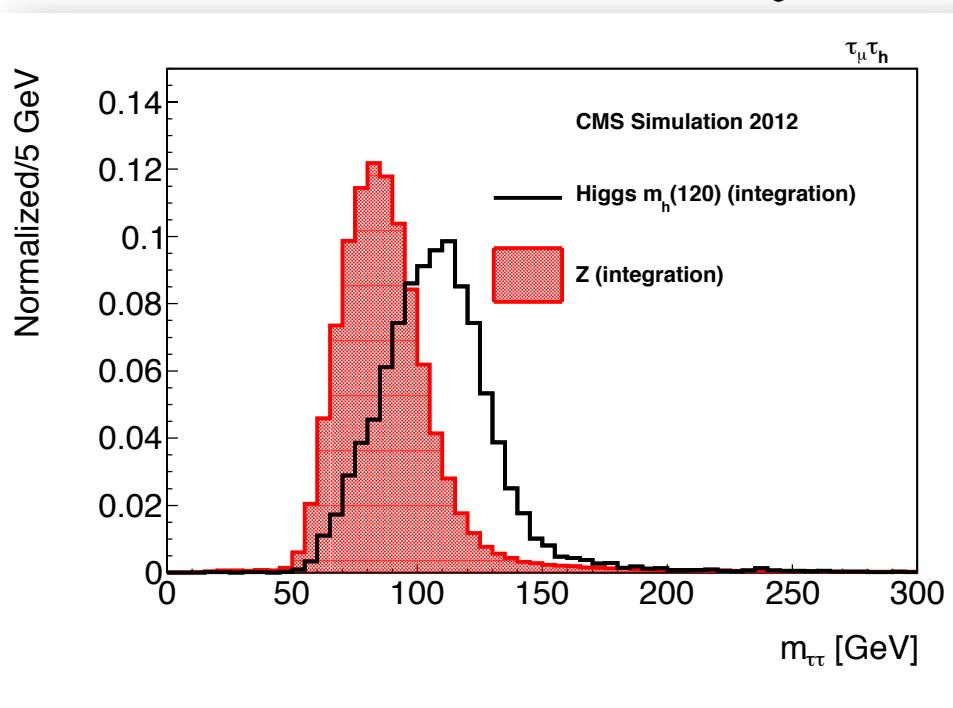
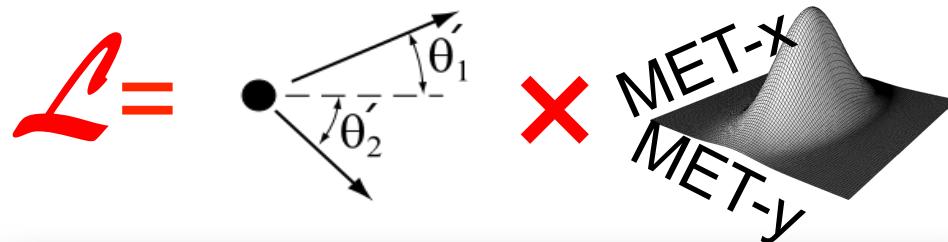
- Search performed in 4 tau-pair final states:  $\mu\tau_h$ ,  $e\tau_h$ ,  $e\mu$ ,  $\mu\mu$
- Analysis divided into 5 categories: mass resolution, S/B
- All categories are fit simultaneously

Jets  $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$



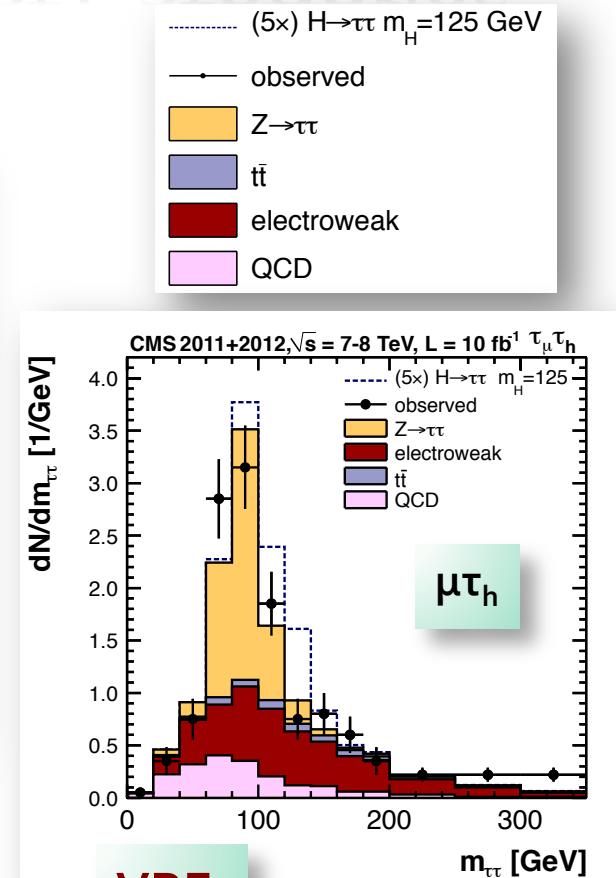
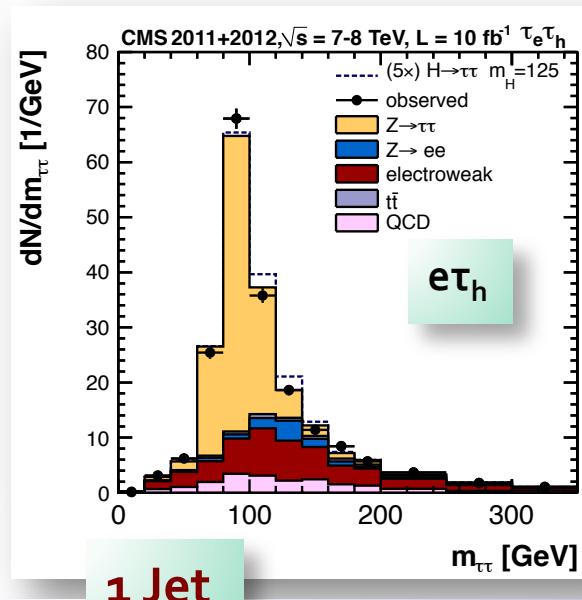
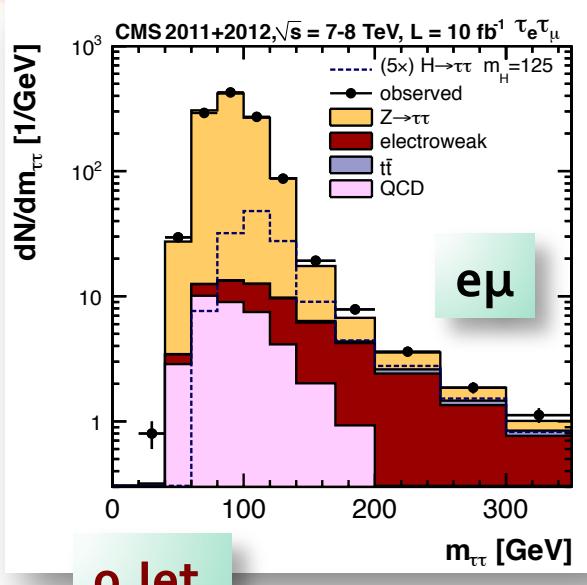
<sup>1</sup>categorization based on  $\tau_h p_T$  for  $\mu\tau_h$ ,  $e\tau_h$ ;  $\mu p_T$  for  $e\mu$ ; leading  $\mu p_T$  for  $\mu\mu$

# Full $m(\tau\tau)$ Reconstruction



- SVFit
  - Event-by-event estimator of true  $m(\tau\tau)$  likelihood
    - Matrix Element used for  $\tau \rightarrow l\nu\nu$
    - Phase-Space is used for  $\tau \rightarrow \pi$
    - Nuisance parameters are integrated out
  - Mass peaks at true value
    - 20 % improved resolution
      - With respect to 2011
    - Better separation of H from Z

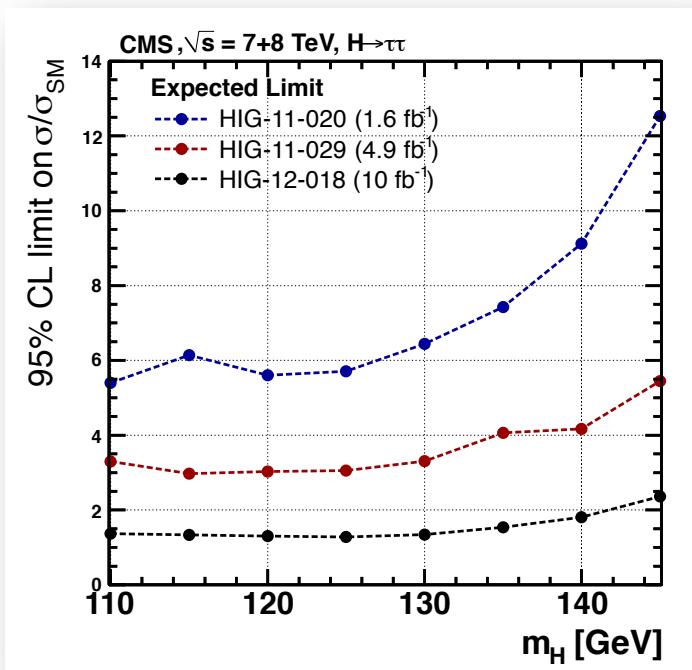
# Mass Distributions in Event Categories



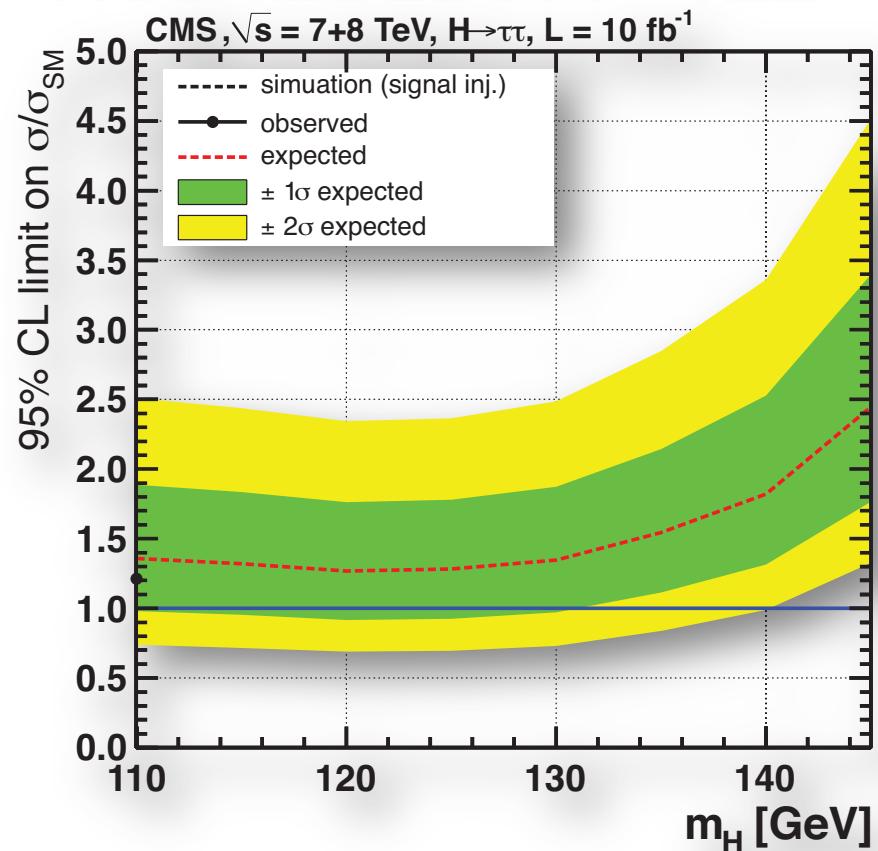
- Constrains energy scales and efficiencies
  - Large Drell-Yan background
  - Sensitivity boosted by low/high  $p_T$  split

- Enhanced sensitivity to gluon fusion
  - Improved mass resolution
  - Increased sensitivity by splitting into low and high  $p_T$  categories

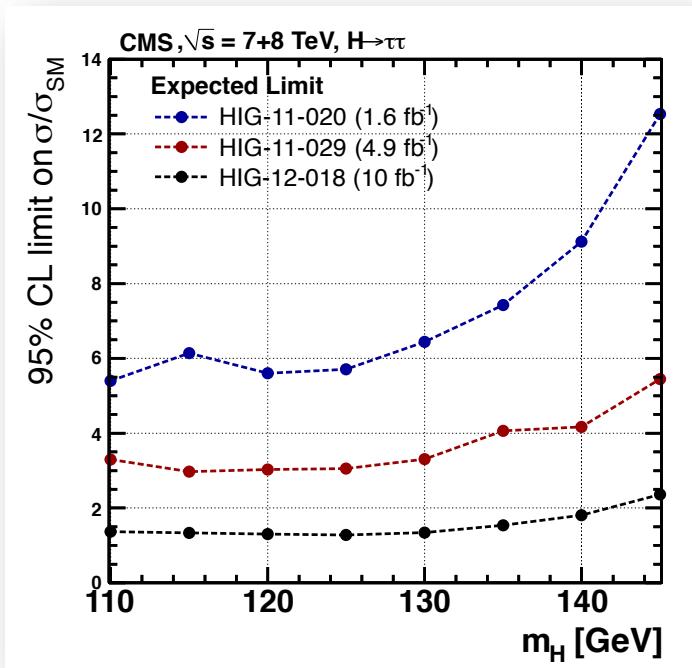
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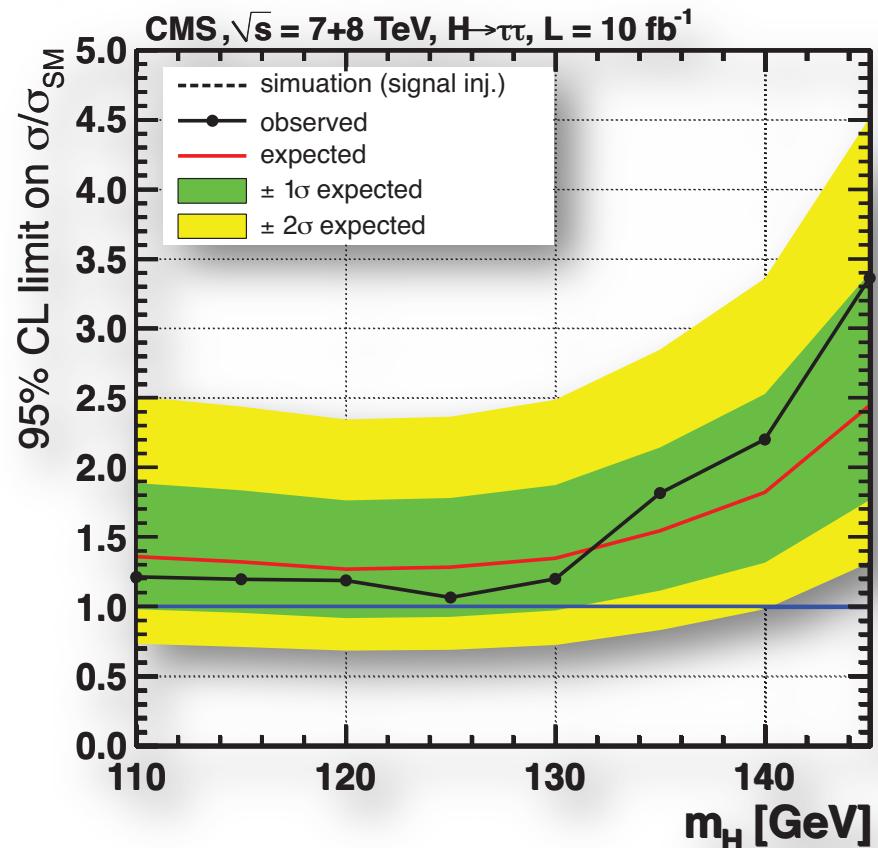
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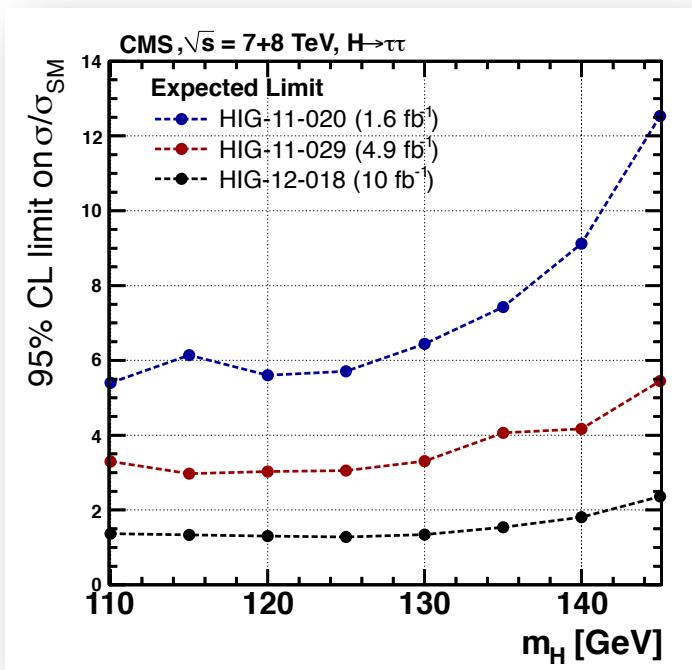
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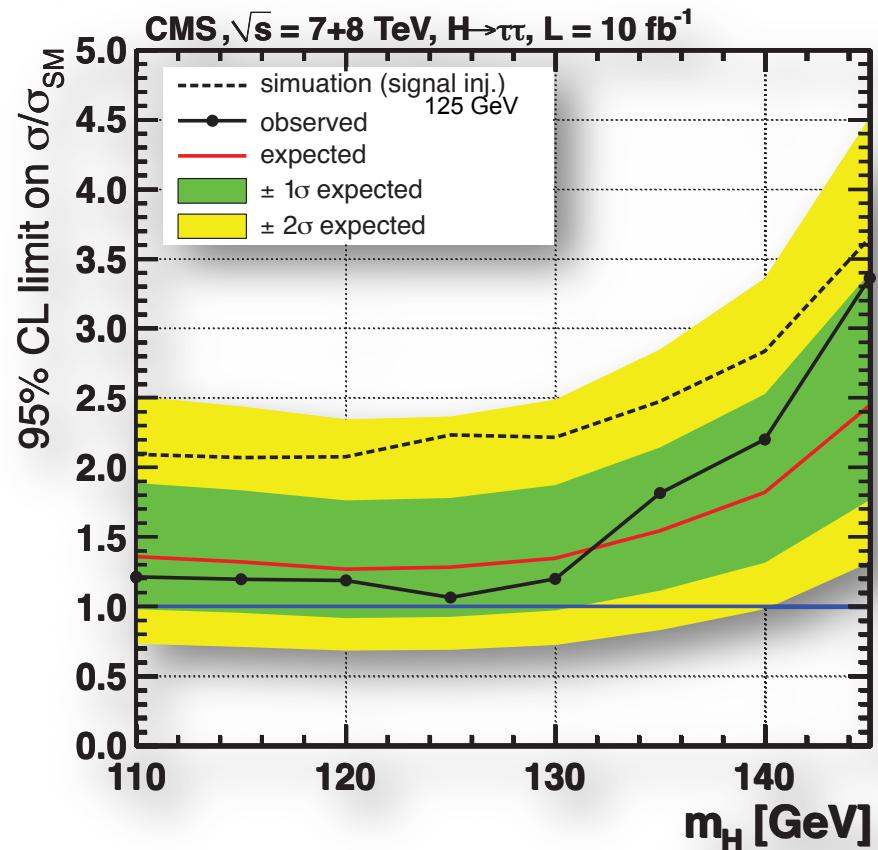
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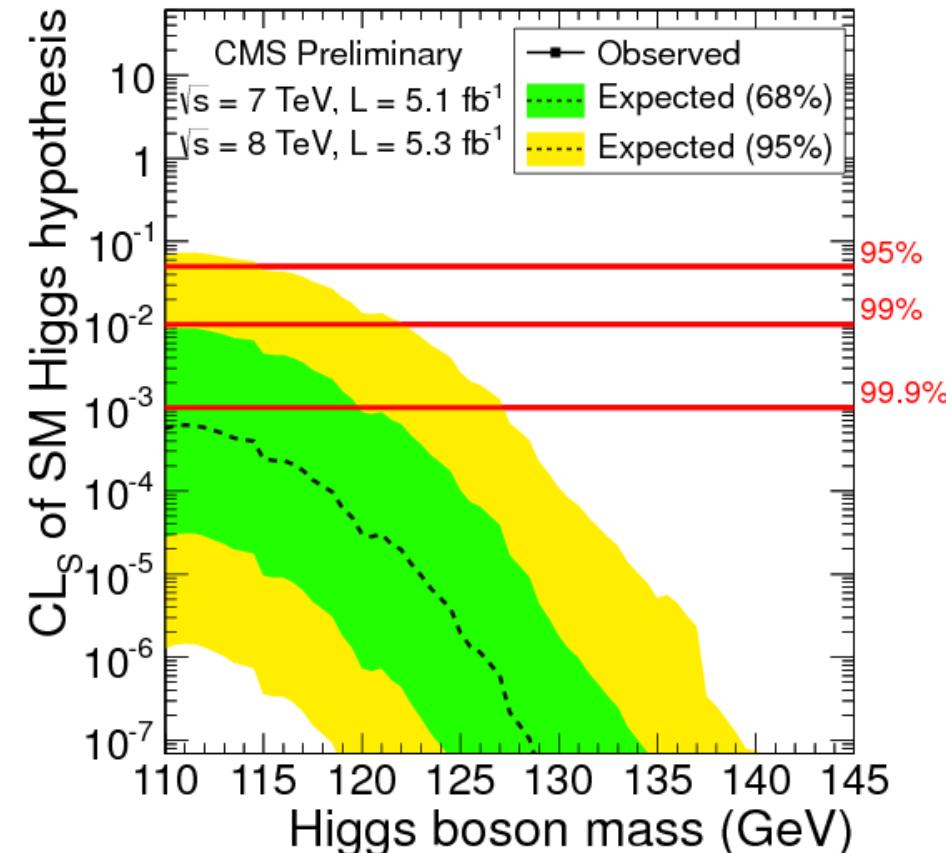
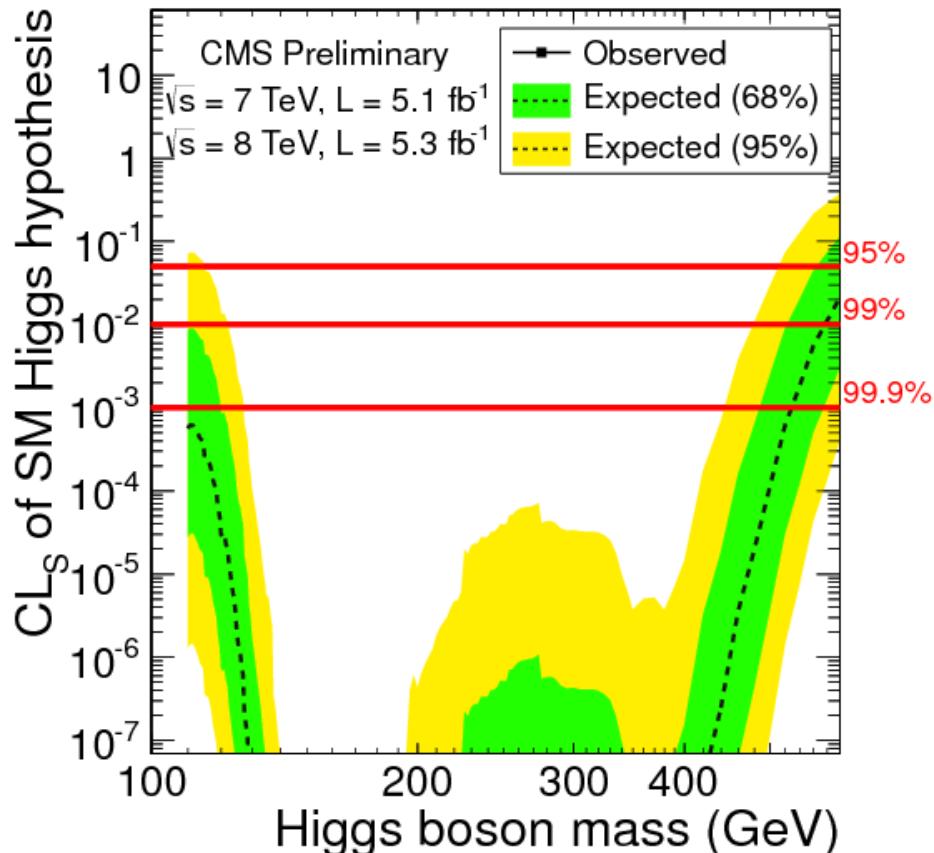


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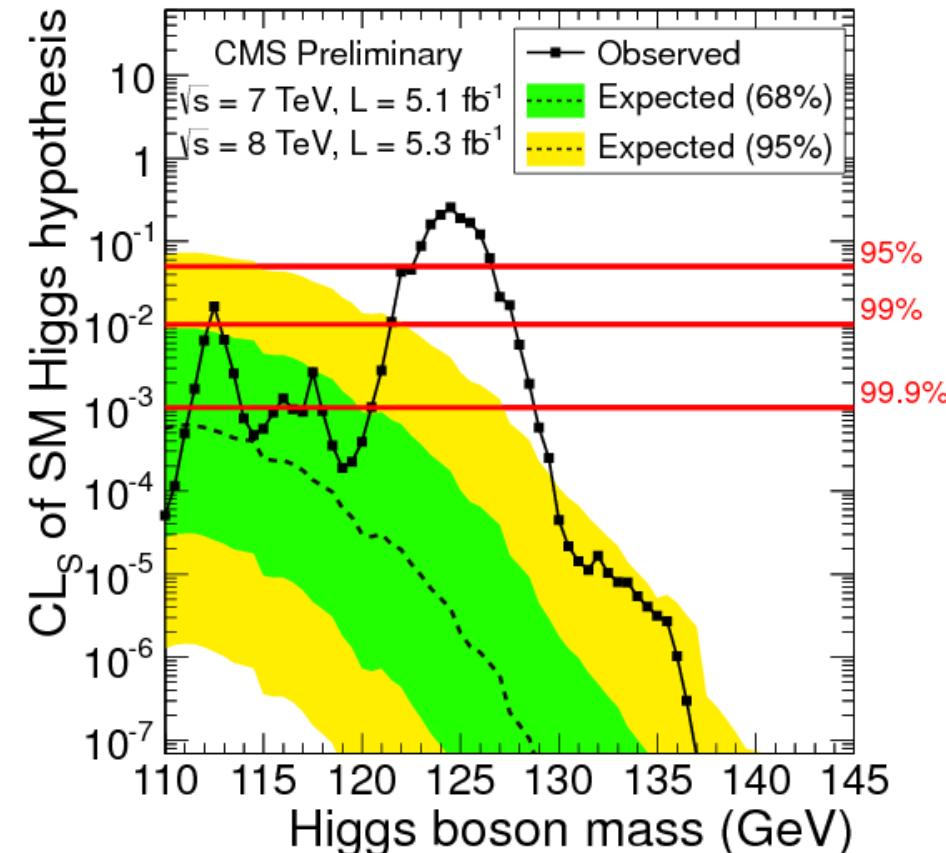
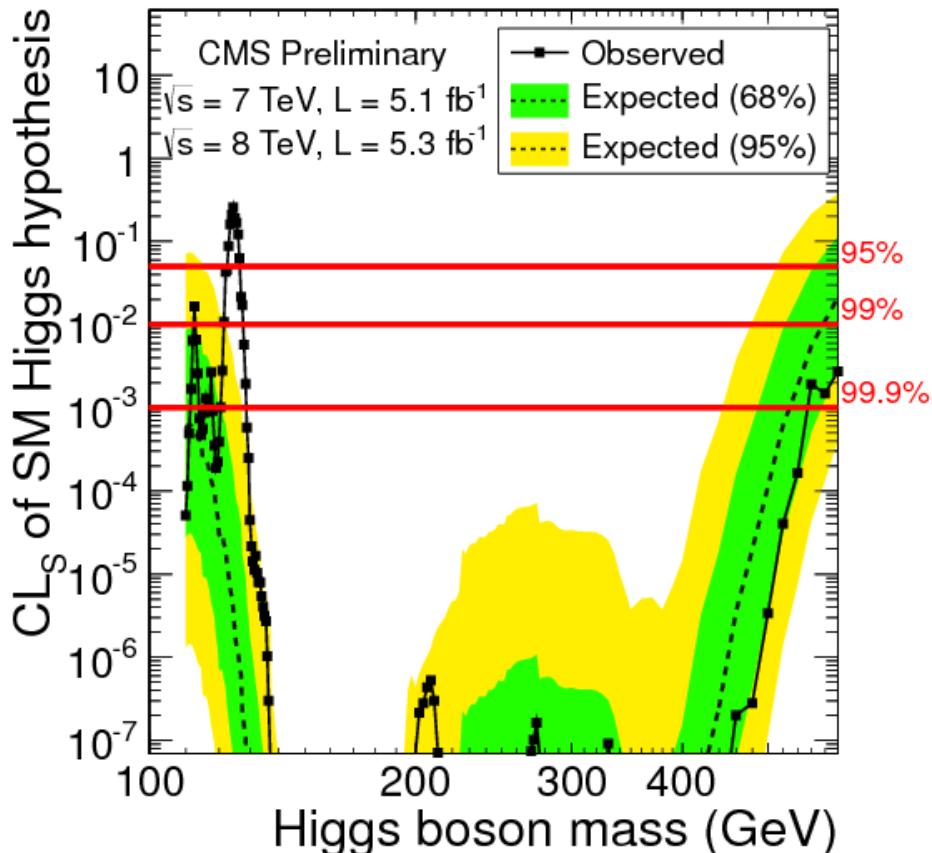
Expected in absence of SM Higgs boson:

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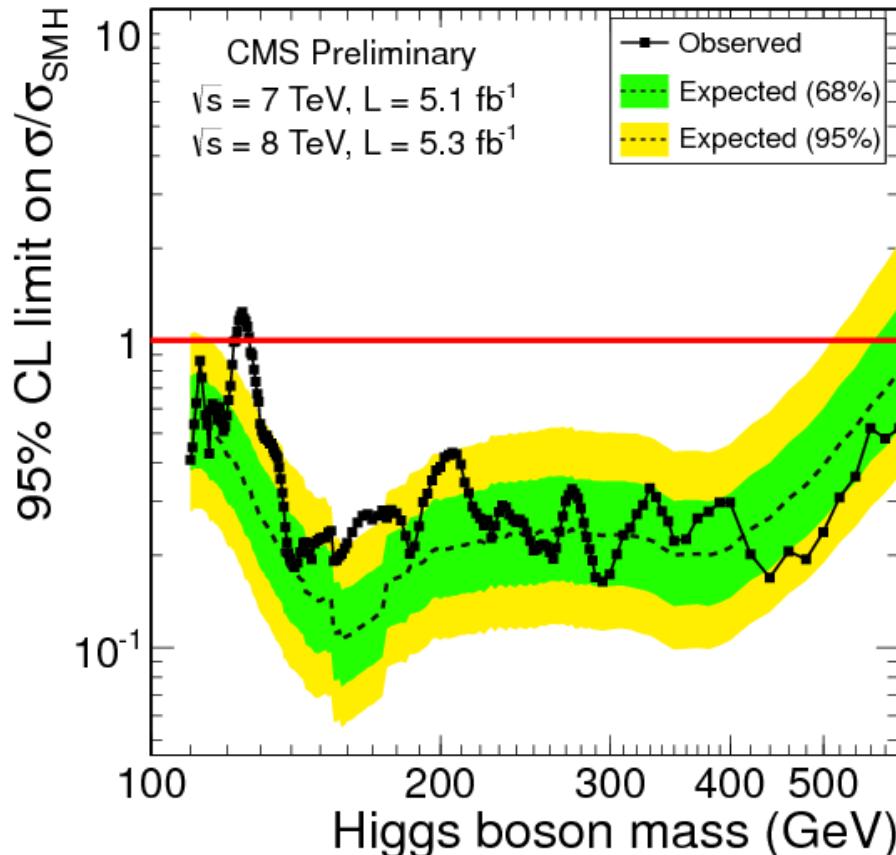
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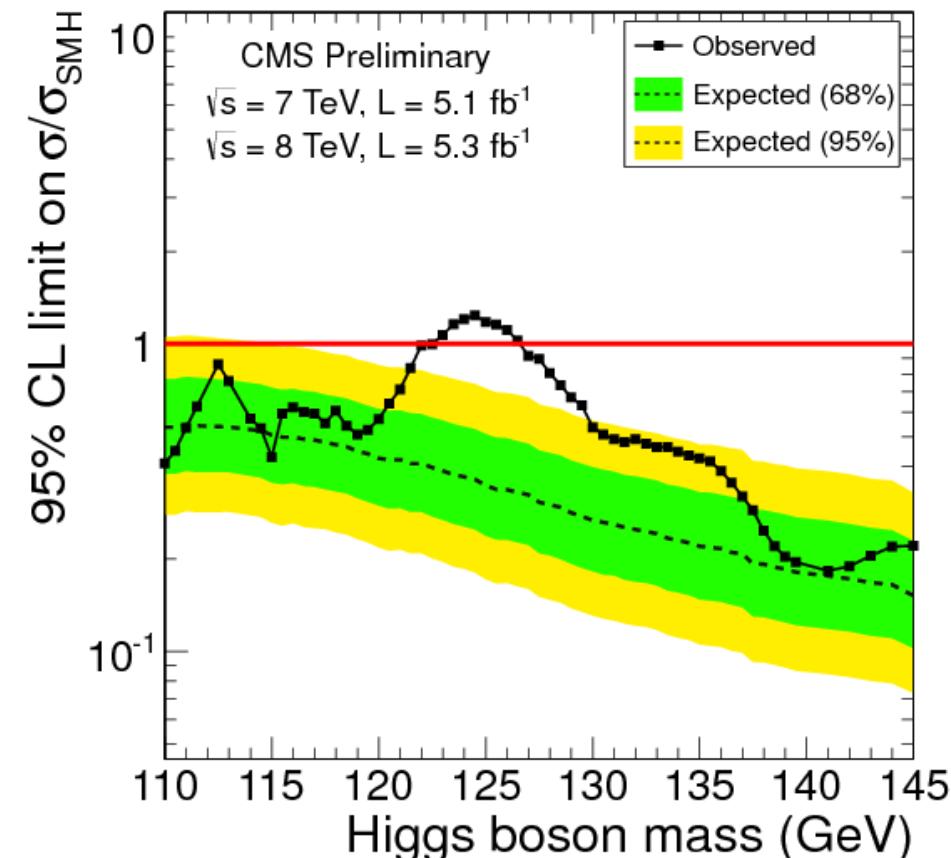
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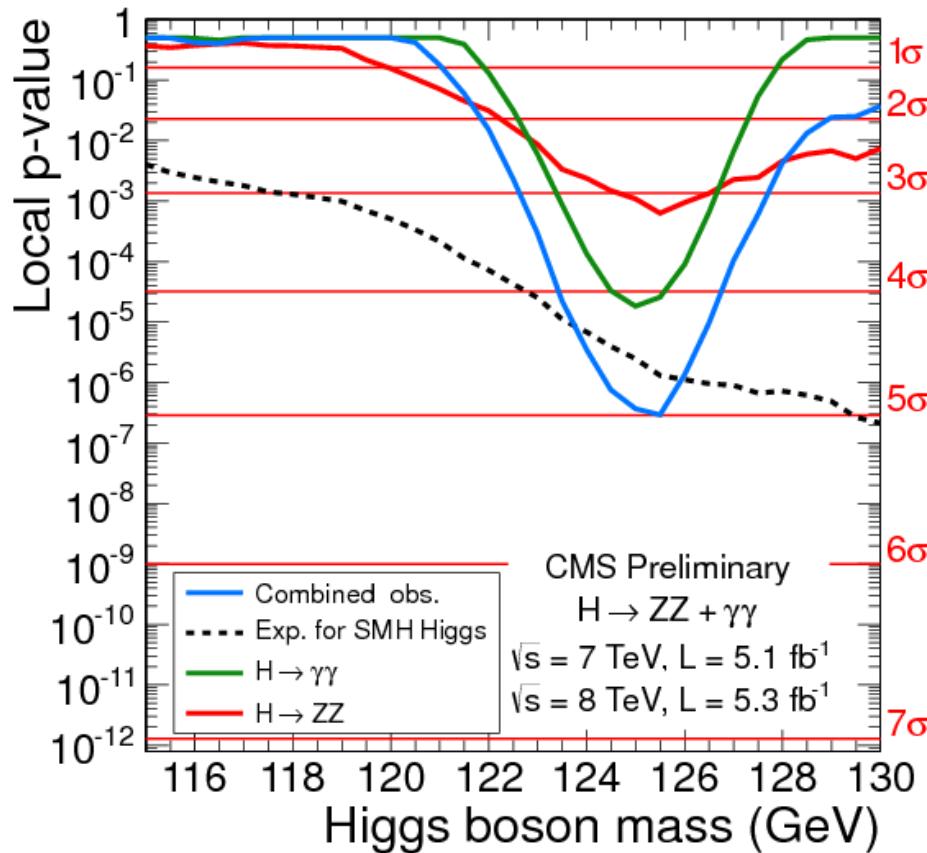
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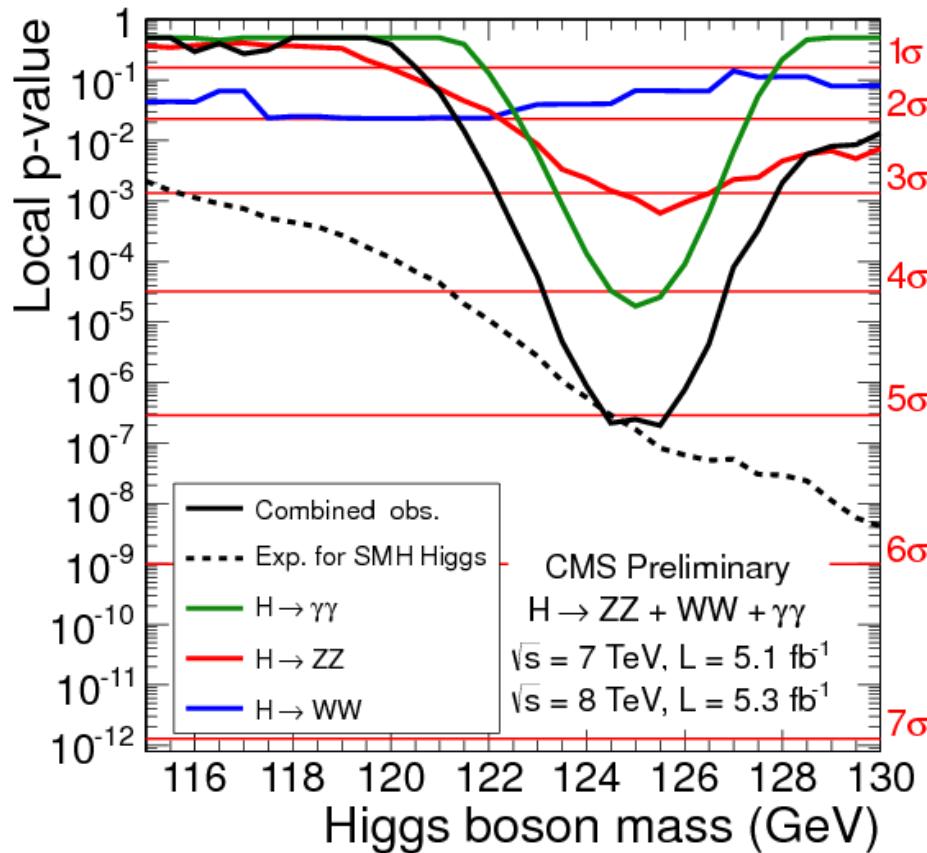
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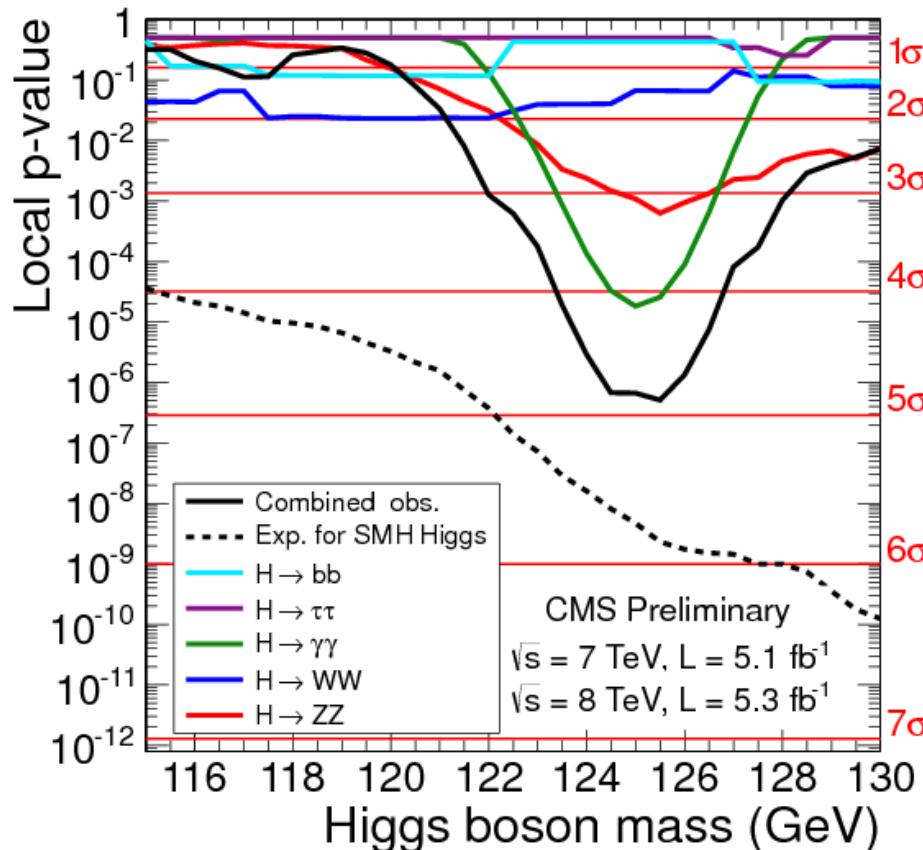


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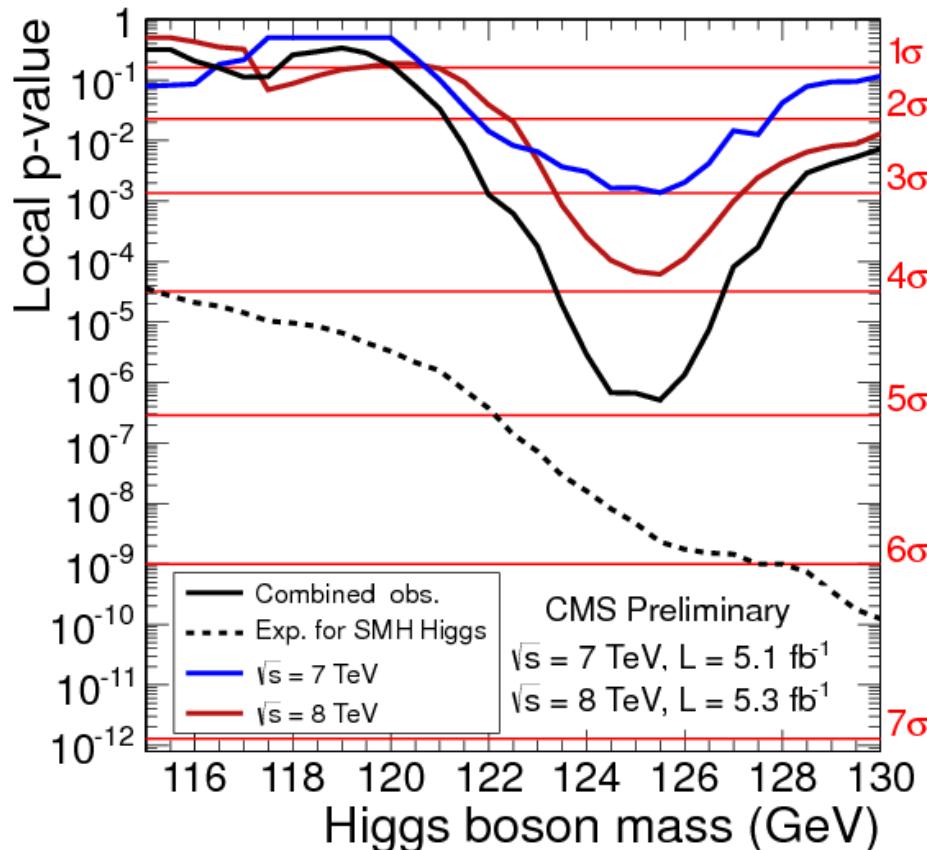
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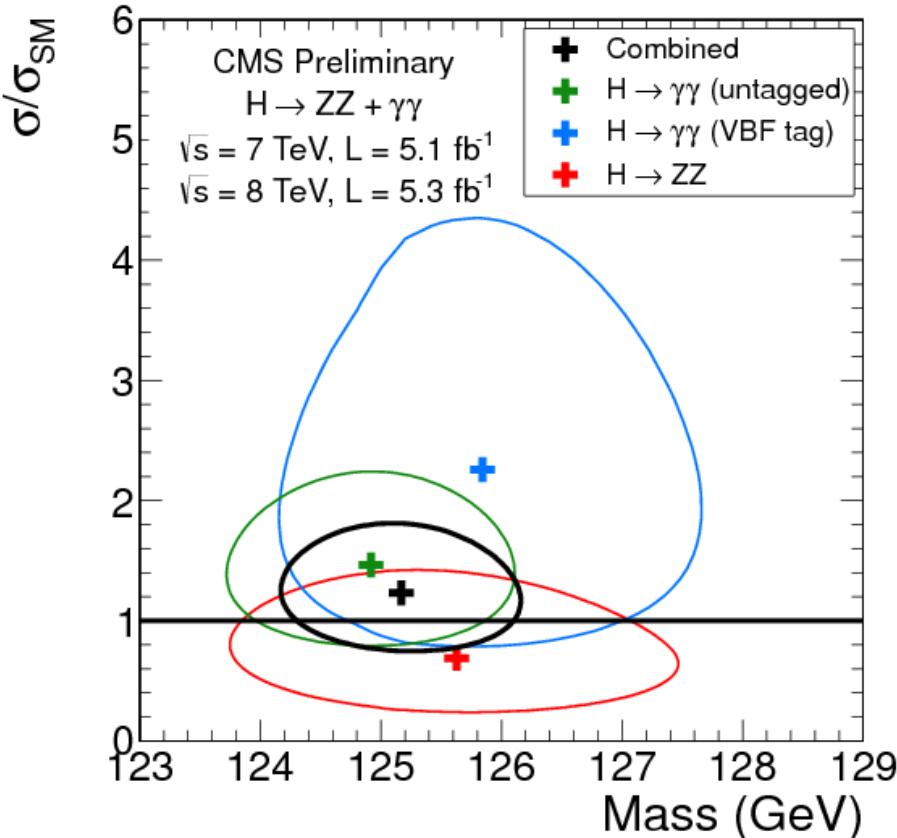
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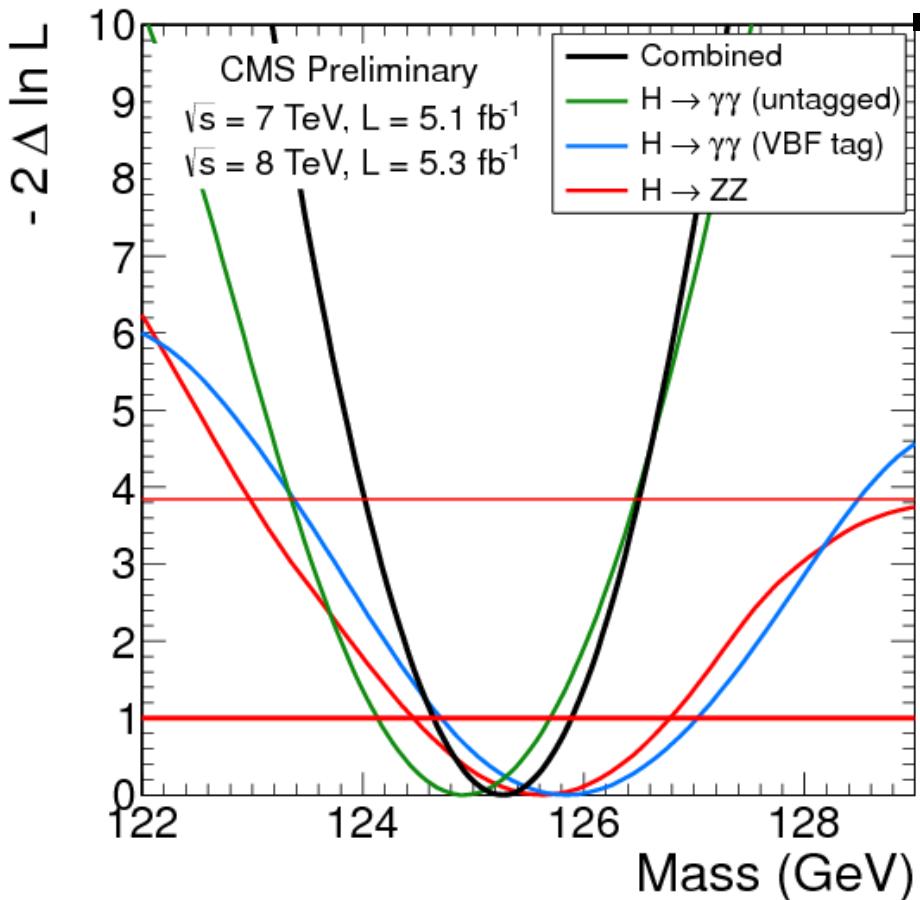
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- Excess seen in both
  - 7 TeV data (3.0  $\sigma$ )
  - 8 TeV data (3.8  $\sigma$ )
- near the same mass 125 GeV

# Characterization of the excess: mass



- Likelihood scan for mass and signal strength in three high mass resolution channels
- results are self-consistent and can be combined

# Characterization of the excess: mass



To reduce model dependence,  
allow for free cross sections  
in three channels  
and fit for the common mass:

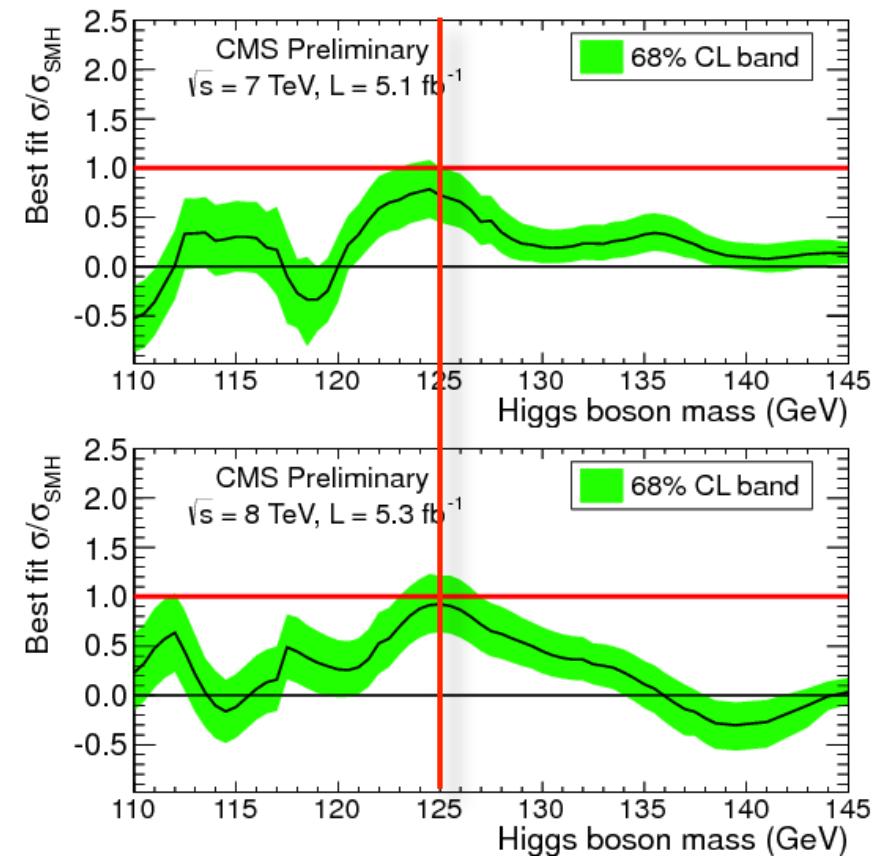
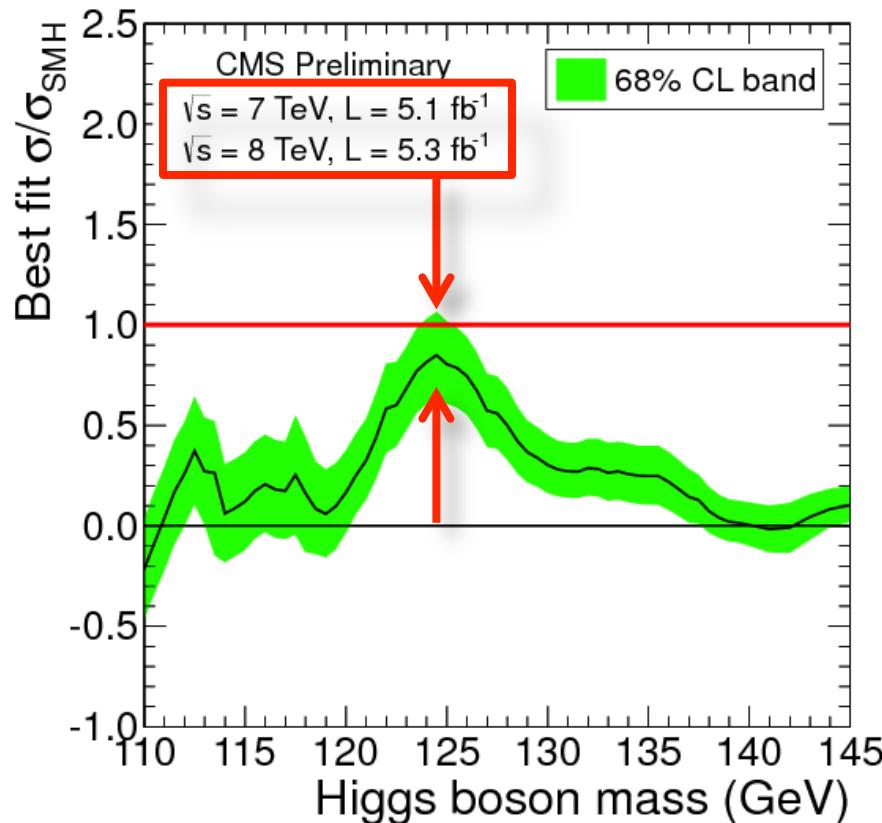
$$\mathbf{m_X = 125.3 \pm 0.6 \text{ GeV}}$$



- We have observed a state decaying to di-photon and four-lepton final state with statistical significance of  $5\sigma$
- The observed state has mass near  $125.3 \pm 0.6$  GeV
- Next we look at the extent to which the observed state is compatible, within the current uncertainties, with the SM Higgs boson

# Compatibility with SM Higgs boson

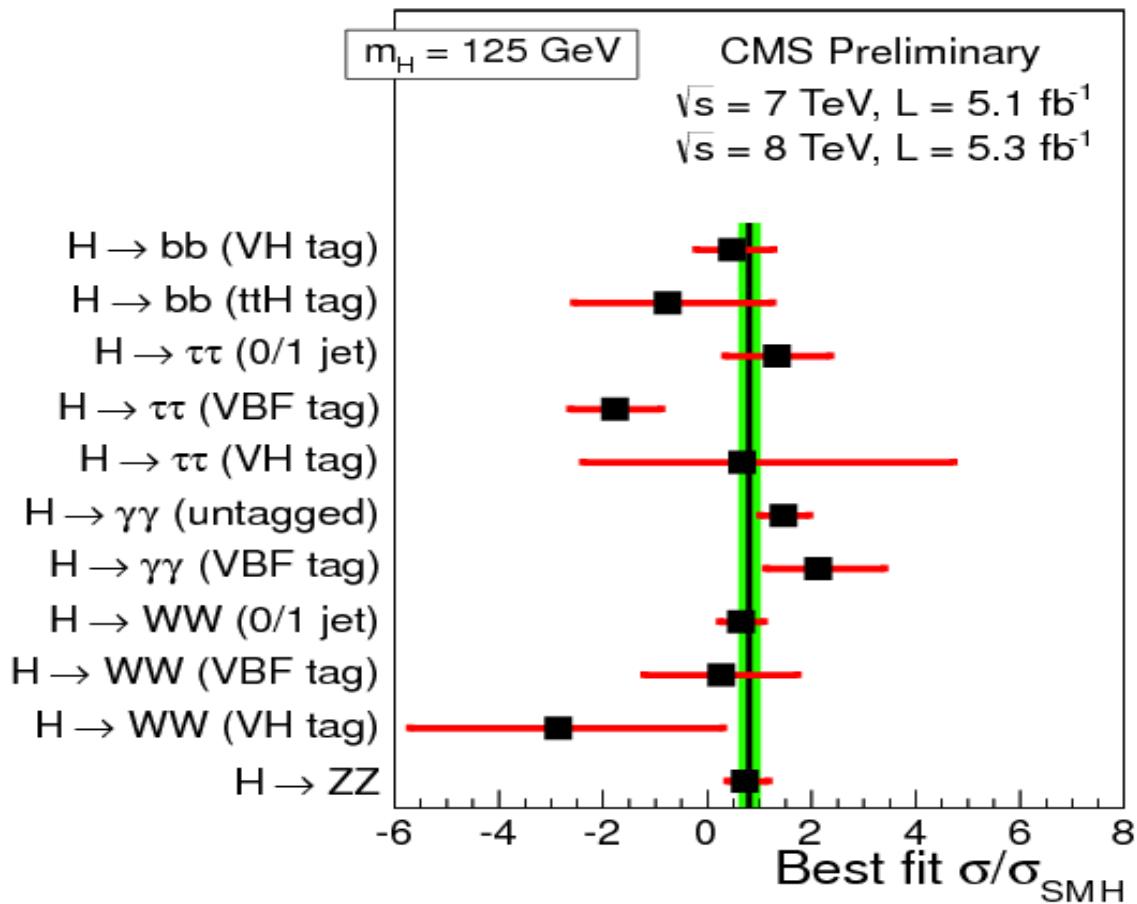
## Signal strength



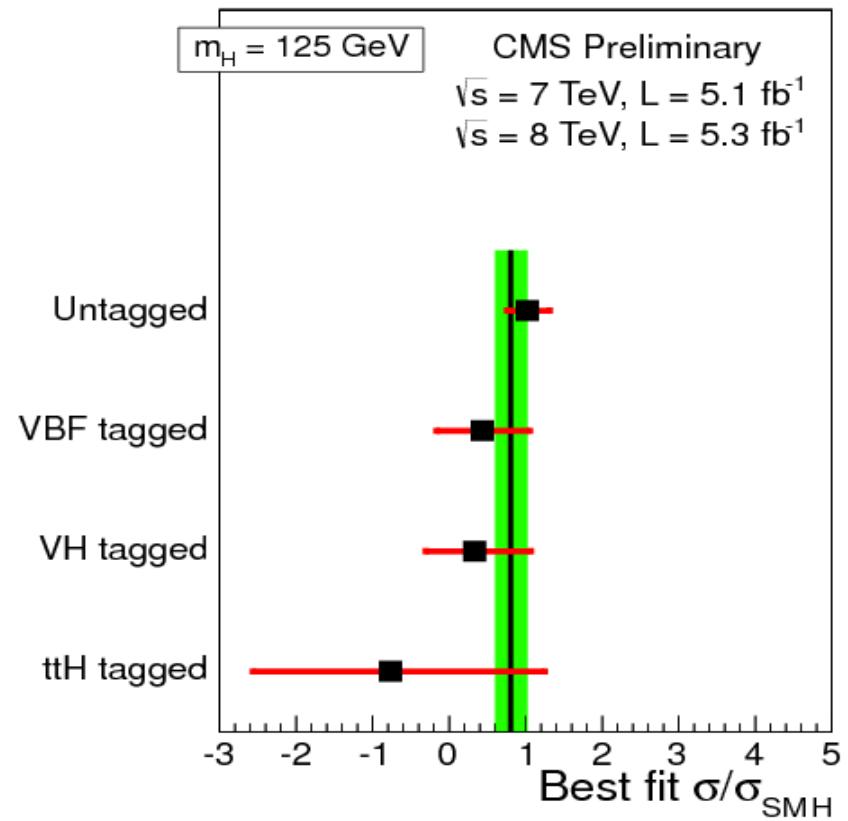
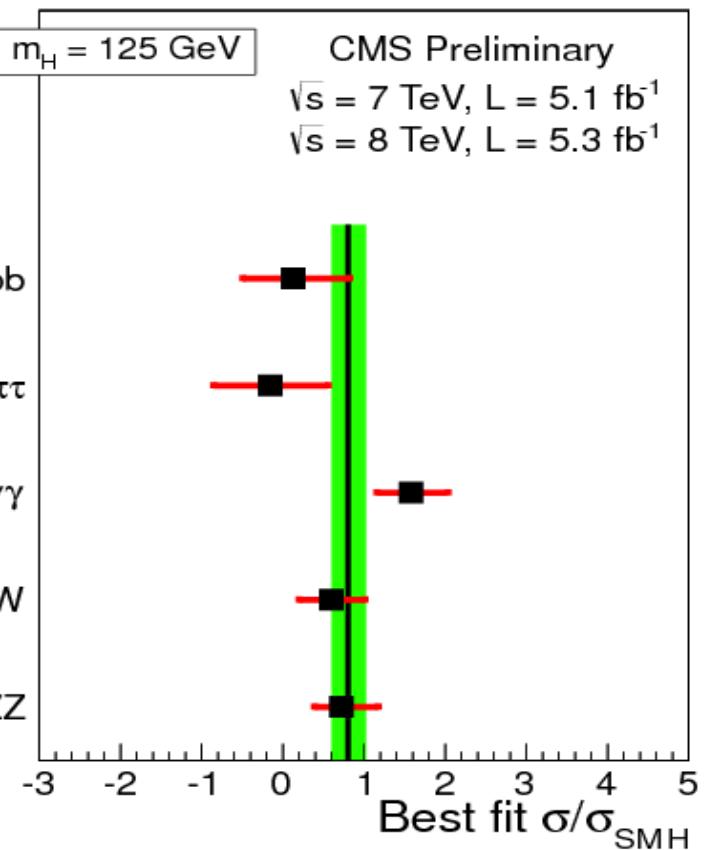
- Overall best-fit signal strength in the combination:  
 $\sigma/\sigma_{SM} = 0.80 \pm 0.22$
- Signal strength in 7 and 8 TeV data are self-consistent

# Compatibility with SM Higgs boson event yields in different modes (1)

- Event yields in different production times decay modes are self-consistent
  - albeit many modes have not yet reached sensitivity to distinguish SM from Background



# Compatibility with SM Higgs boson event yields in different modes (2)



- Event yields in different decay modes are self-consistent
- Event yields in different production topologies are self-consistent



# Compatibility with SM Higgs boson custodial symmetry

- The measurement of the  $H \rightarrow WW/H \rightarrow ZZ$  ratio is mostly driven by the ratio of the Higgs couplings to WW and ZZ, which is protected by custodial symmetry
- Combination of “inclusive” WW and ZZ yields gives

$$R_{WW/ZZ} = 0.9^{+1.1}_{-0.6}$$

Group the Higgs couplings into “Vectorial” and “Fermionic” sets.

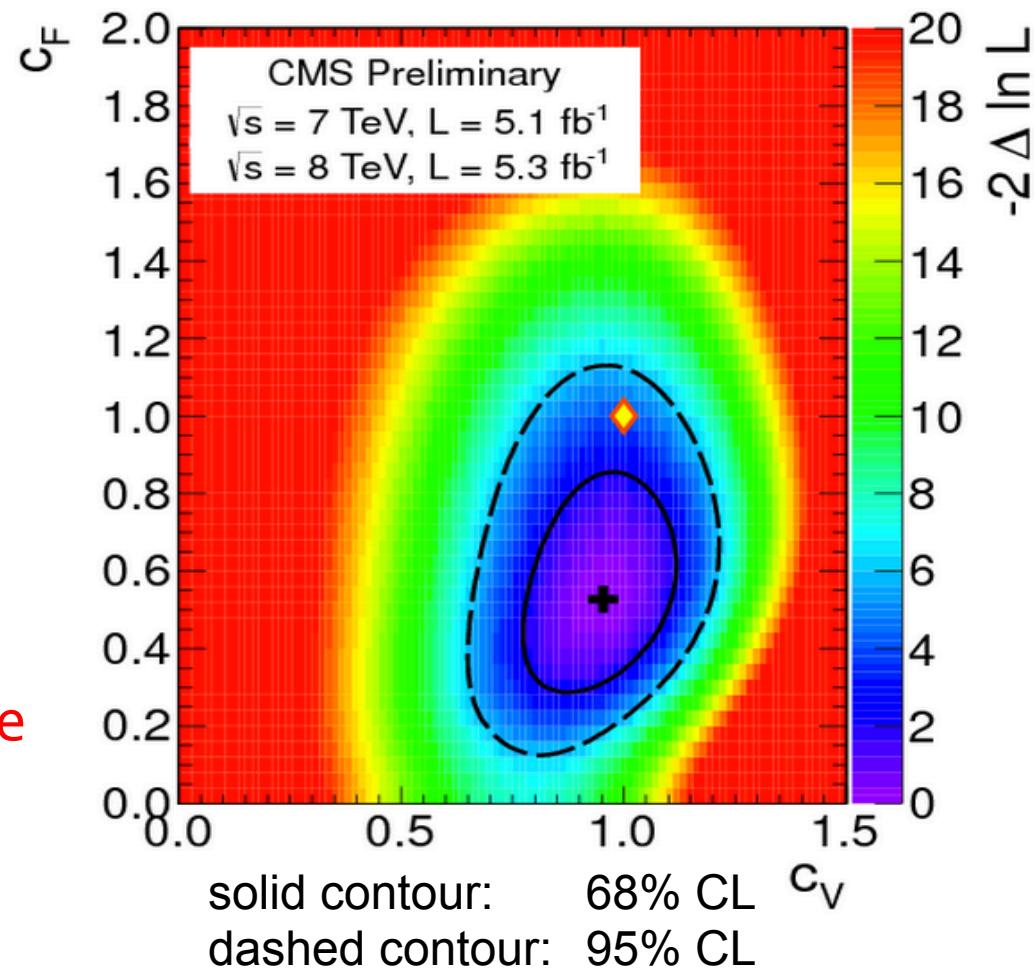
Attach a modifier to the SM prediction to each of those ( $C_V$  and  $C_F$ ).

Use LO theoretical prediction for loop-induced  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, H \rightarrow gg$  couplings.

In agreement with the SM within the 95% confidence range

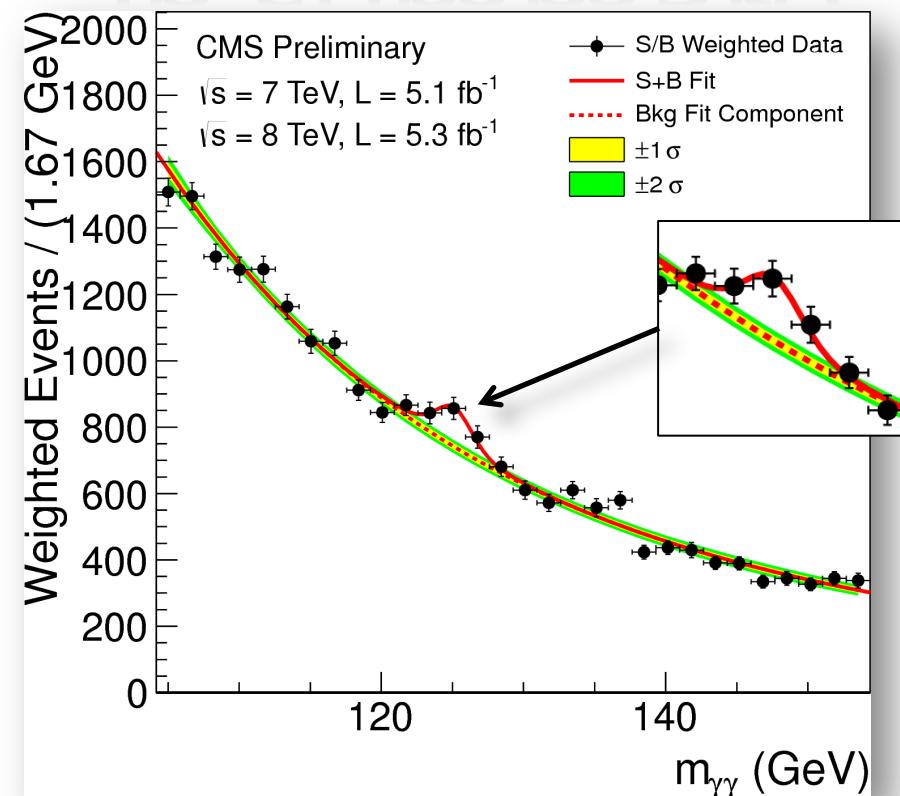
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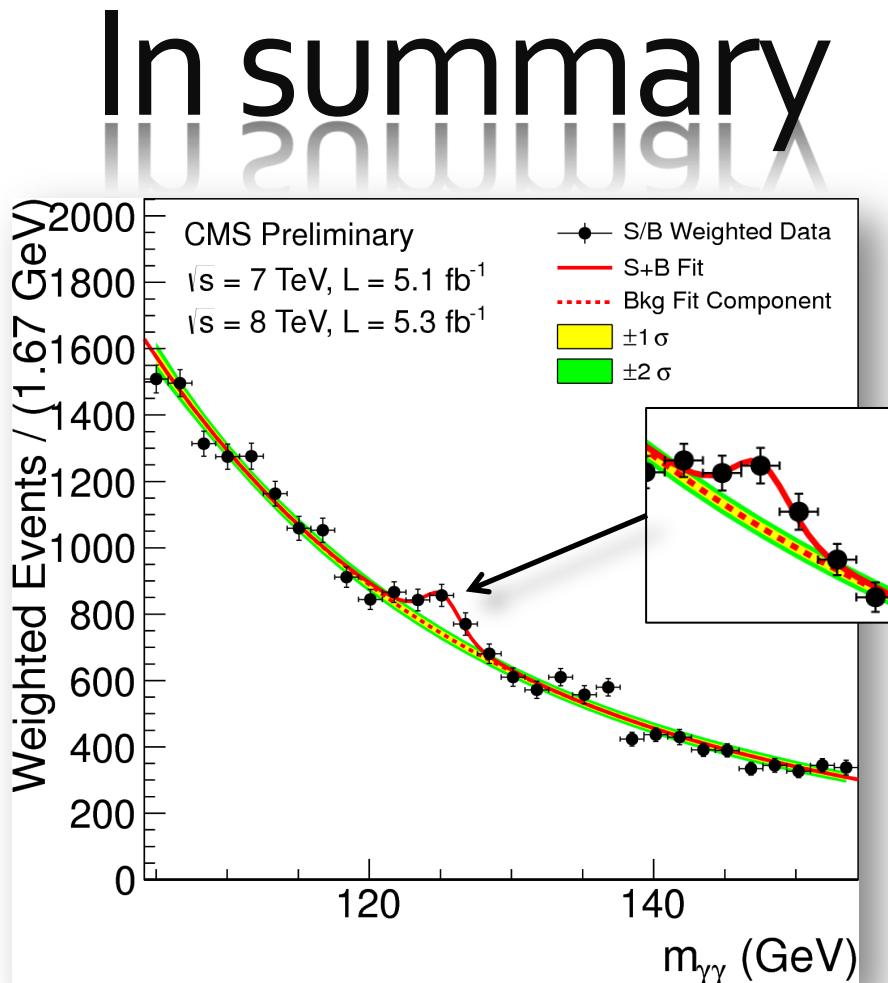
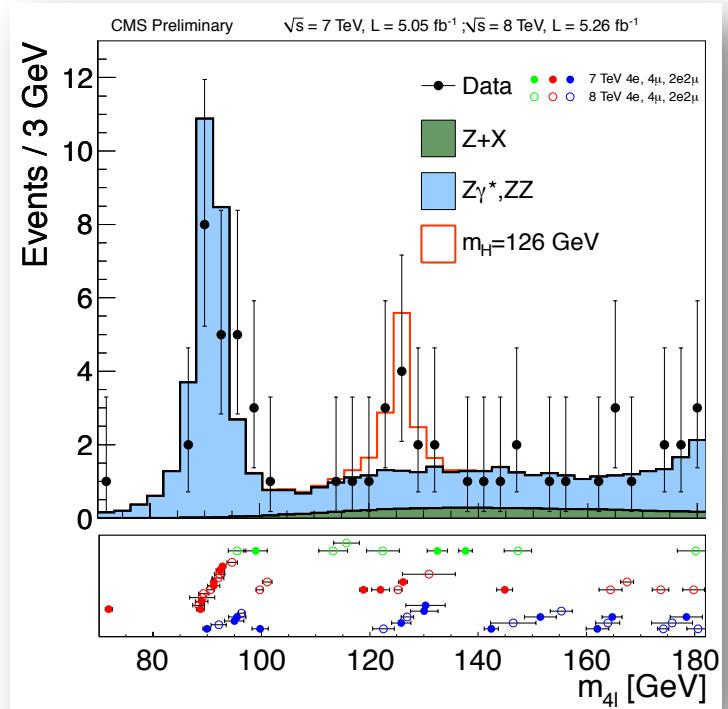
# Fit to $C_V$ and $C_F$

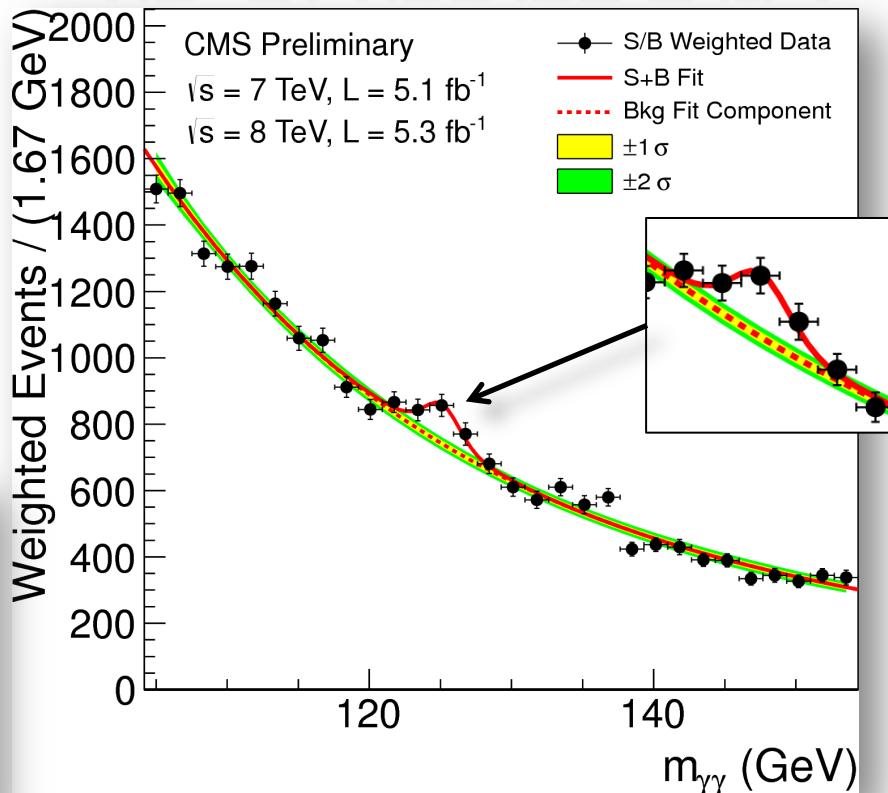
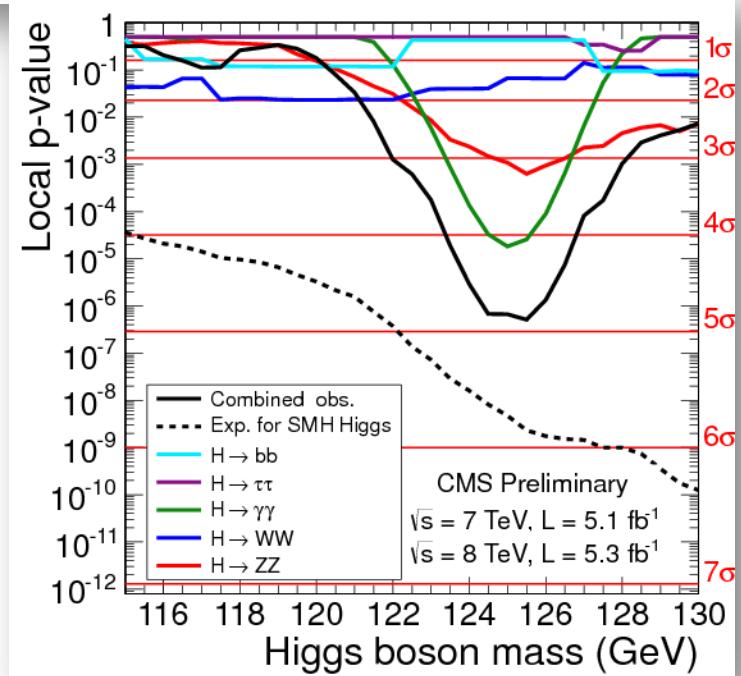
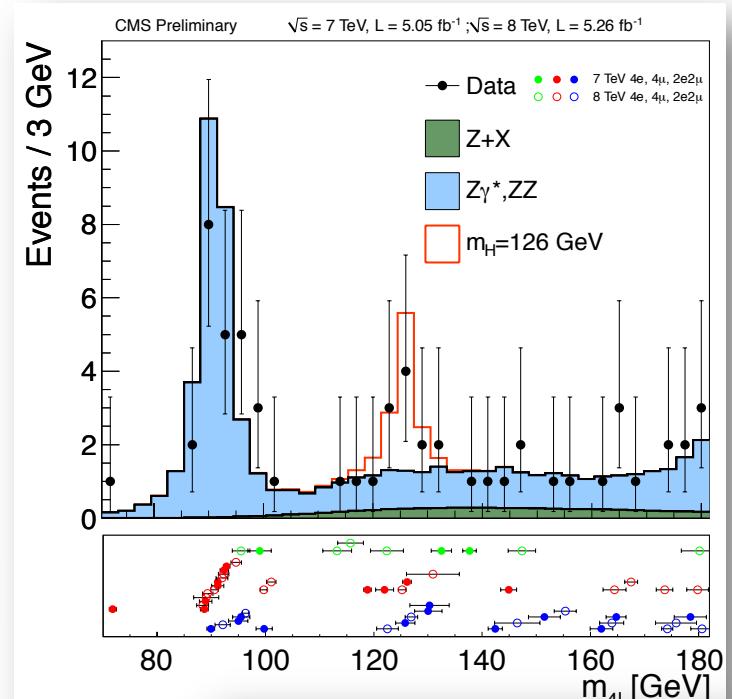


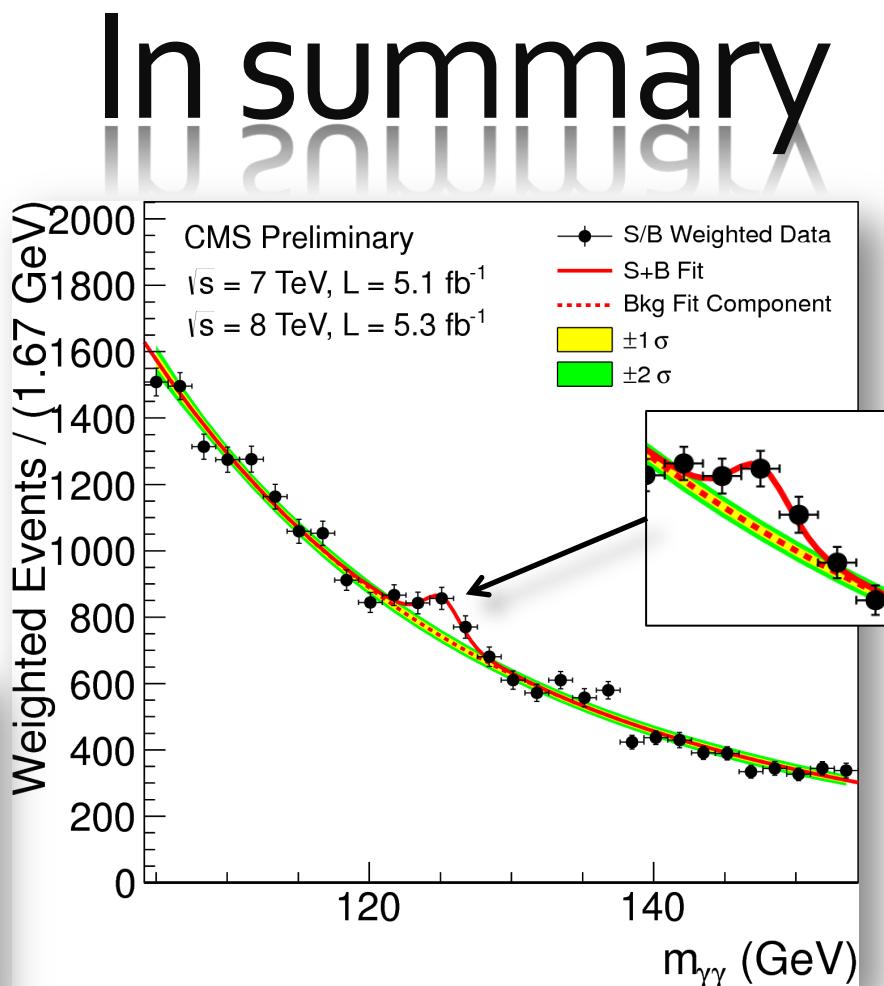
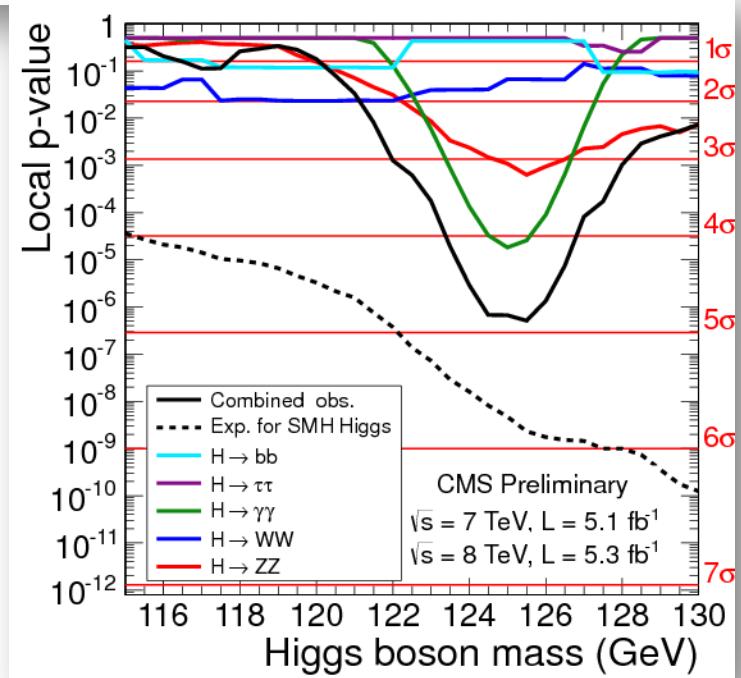
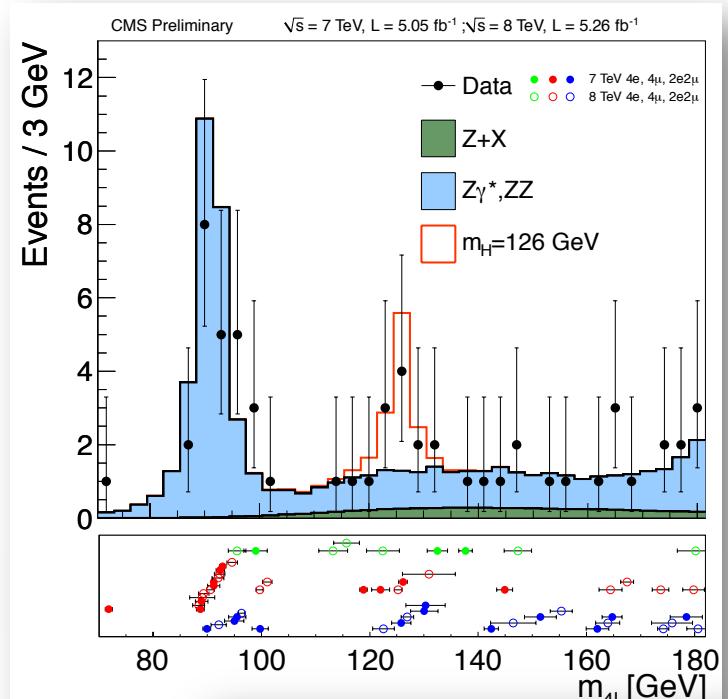


# In summary









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We have observed a new  
boson with a mass of  
 **$125.3 \pm 0.6$  GeV**  
at  
 **$4.9\sigma$  significance !**

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