



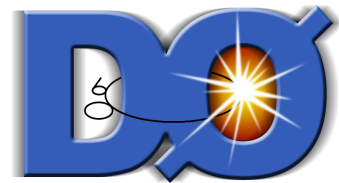
# Standard Model Higgs Searches at the Tevatron

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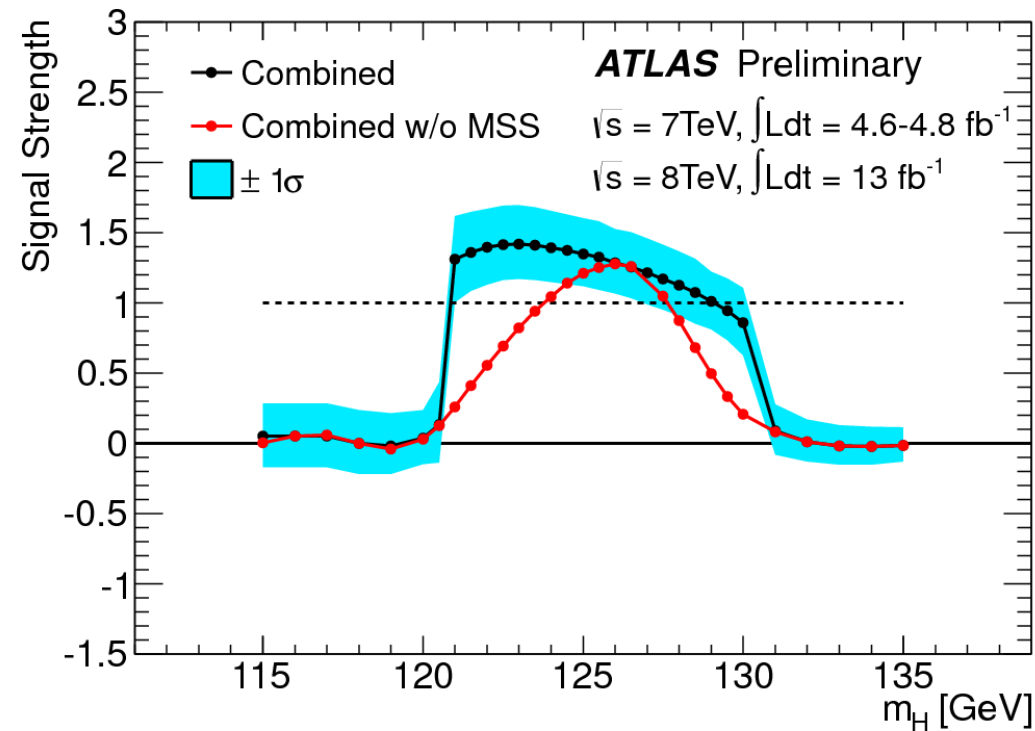
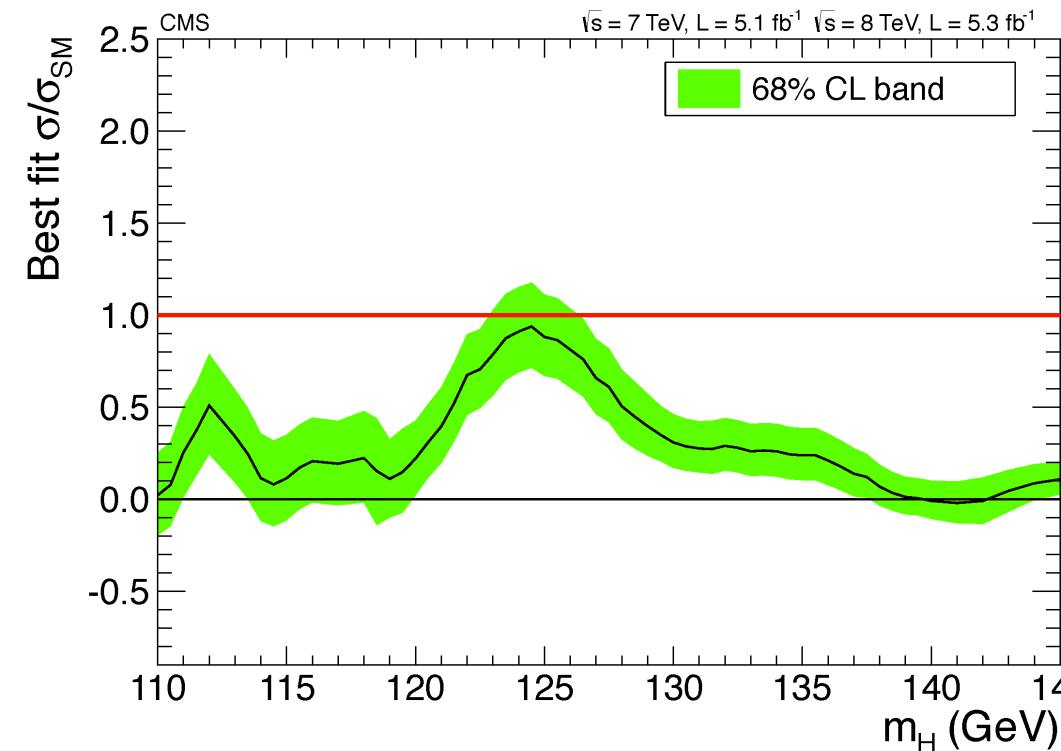


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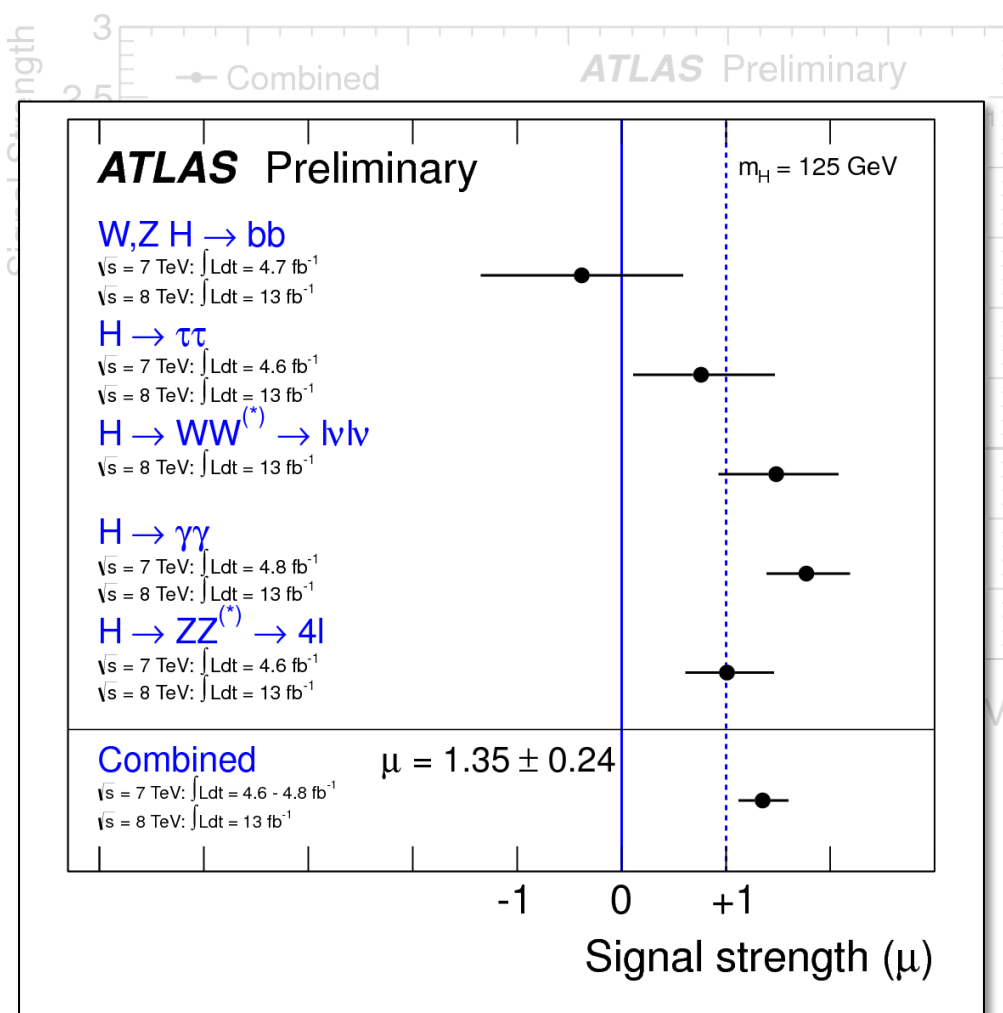
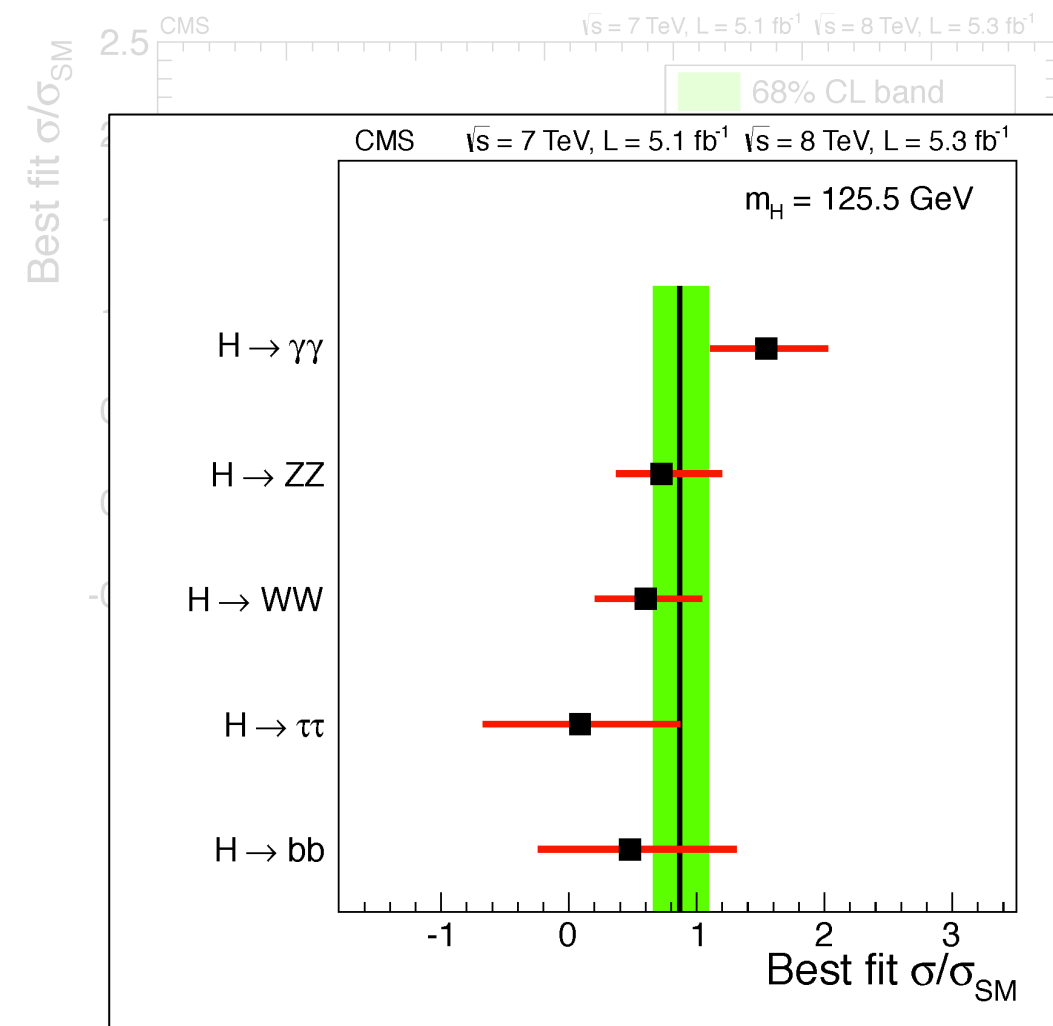
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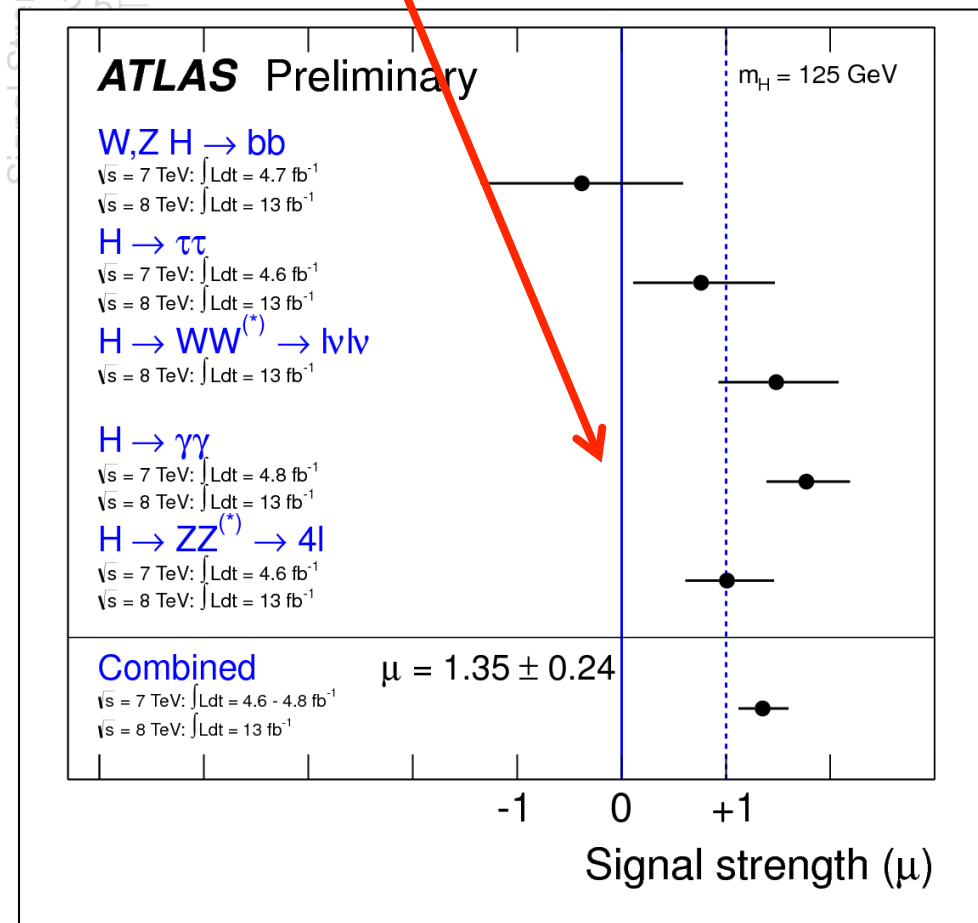
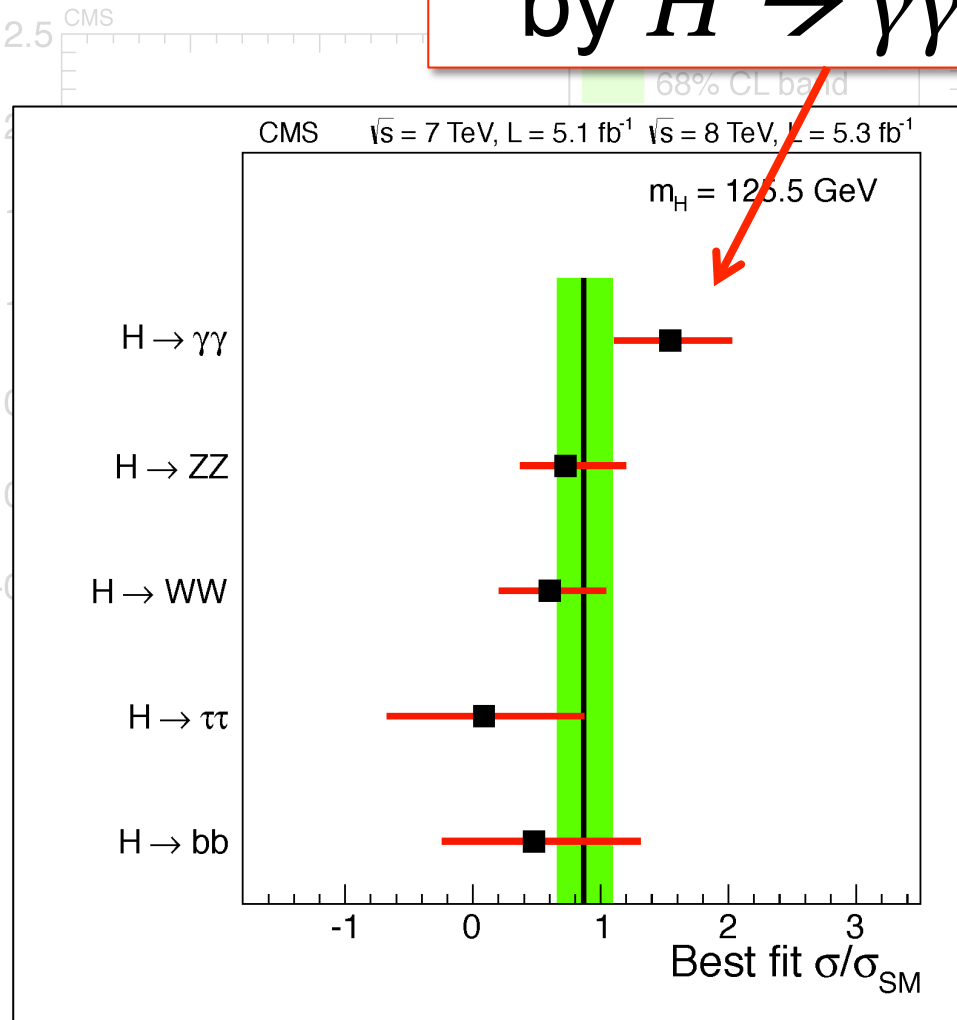
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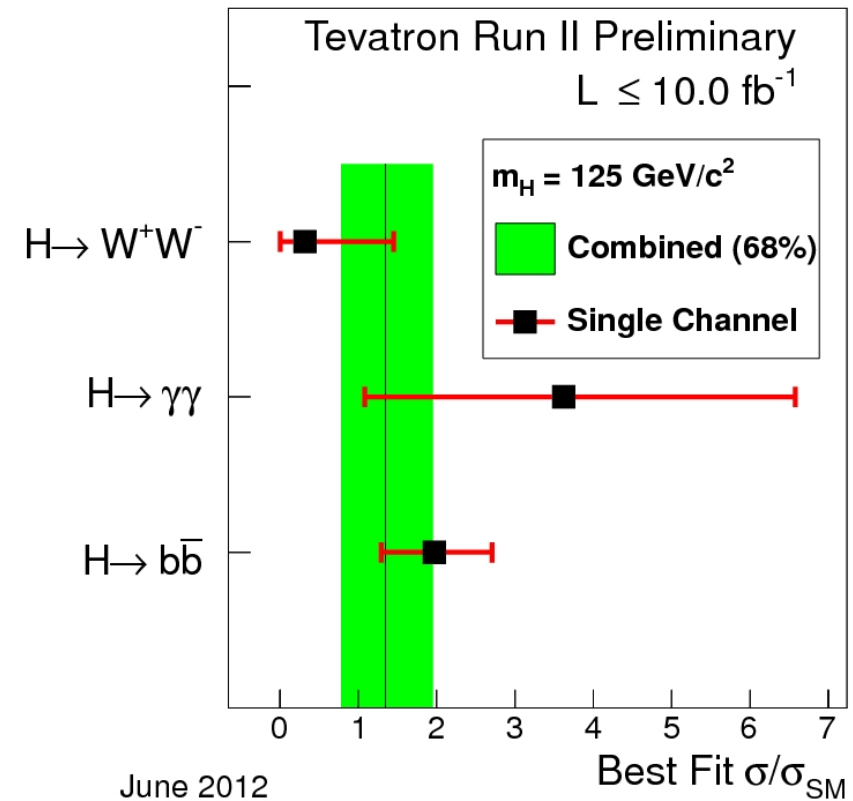
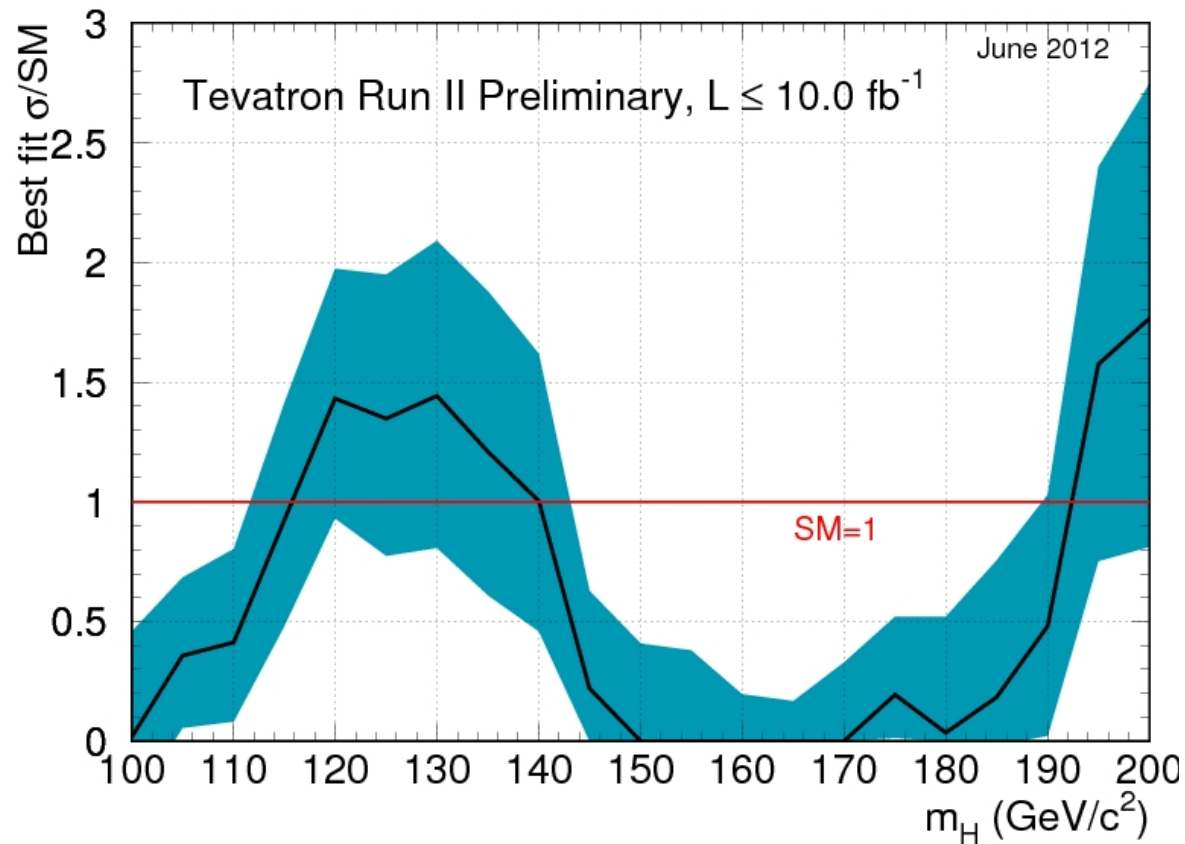
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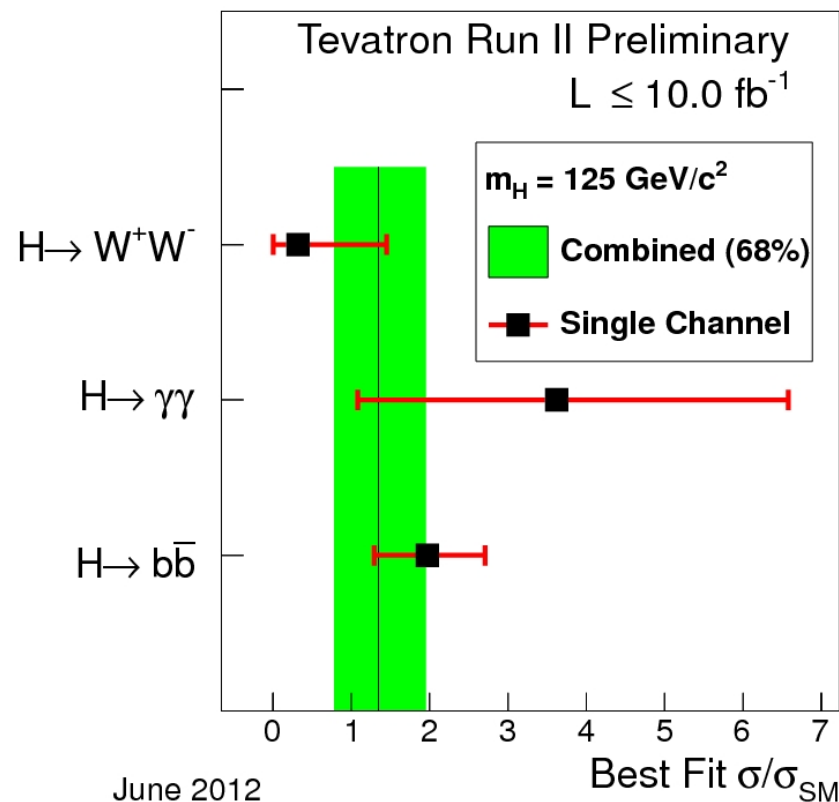
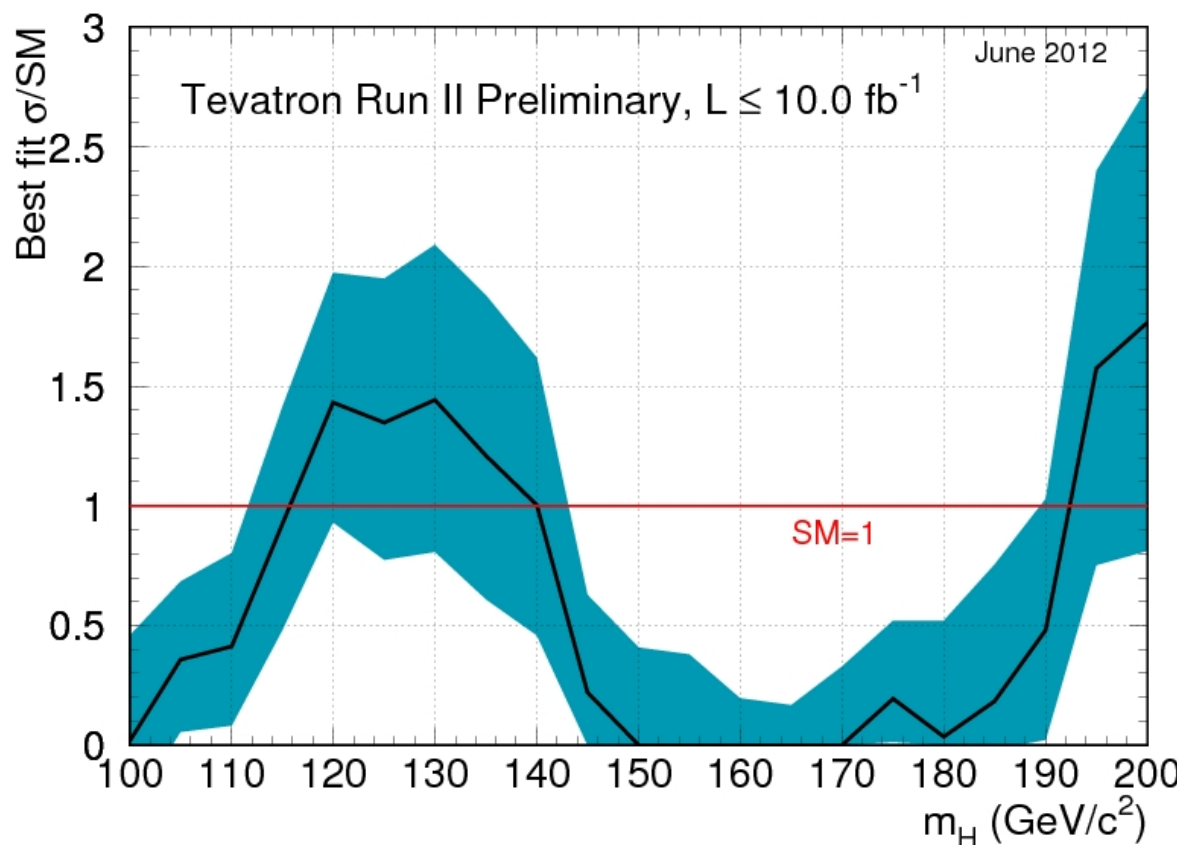
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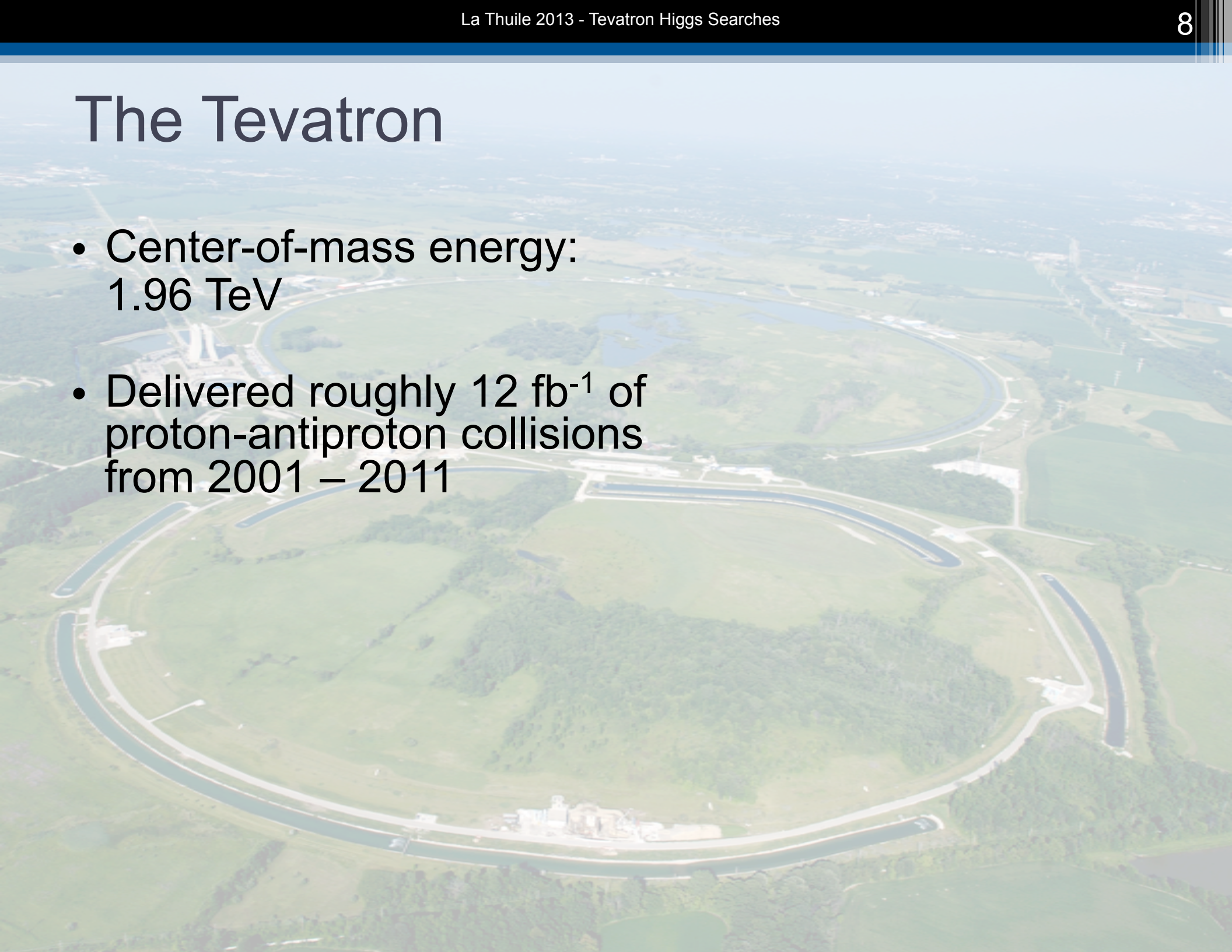


- Primary sensitivities at the LHC and Tevatron *have been* complementary.
- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  evidence claimed in summer of 2012  
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# The Tevatron

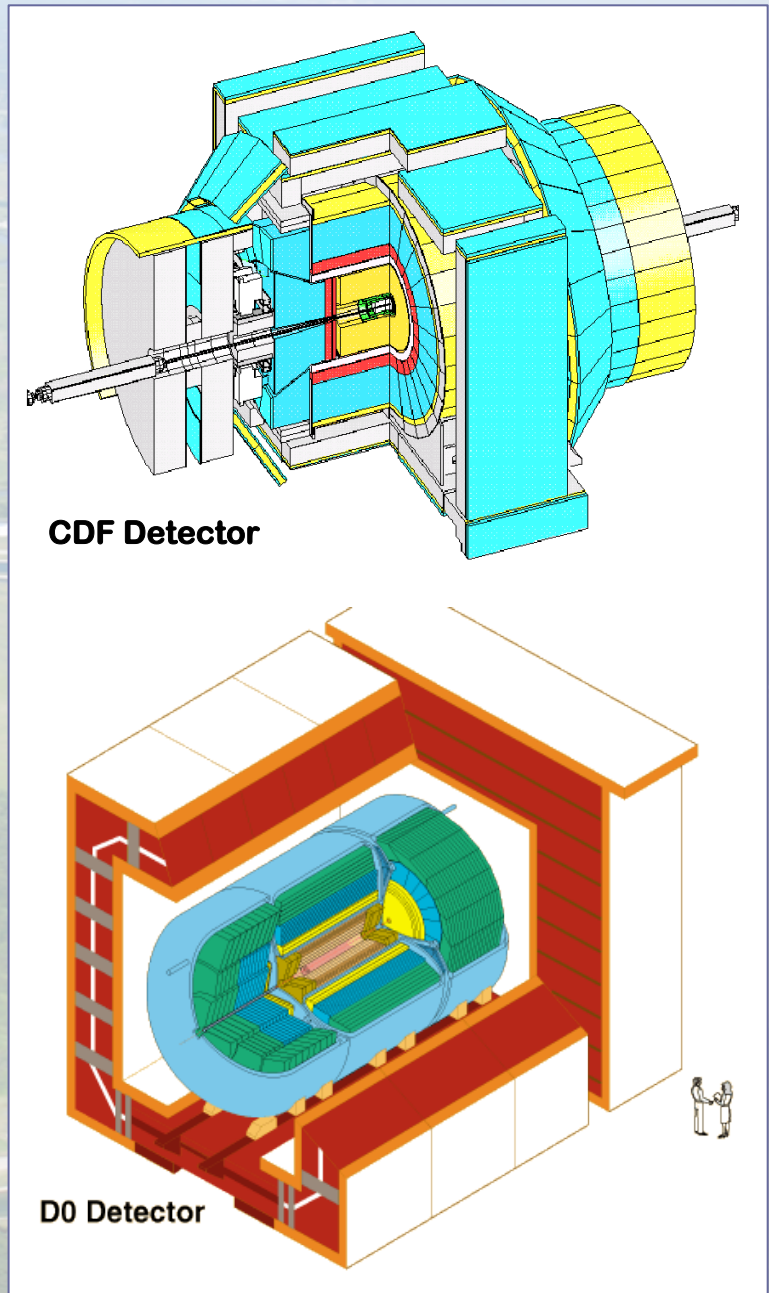
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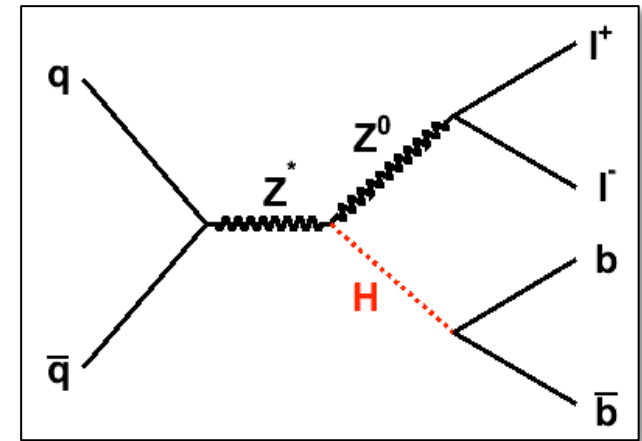
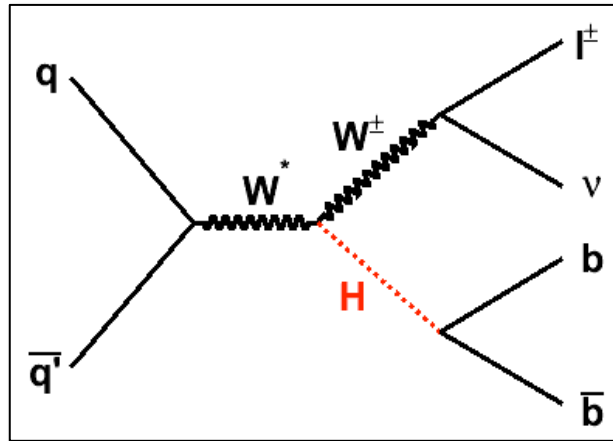
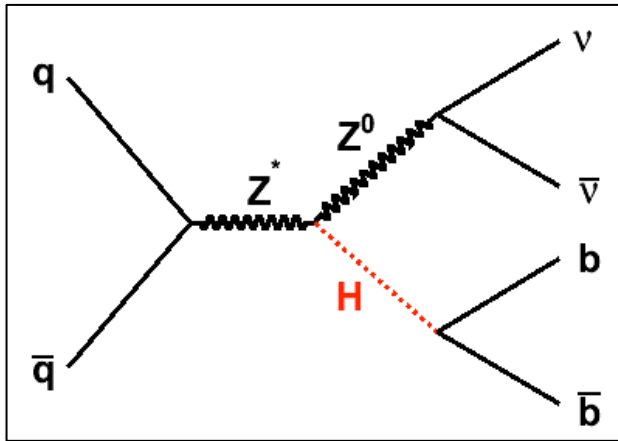


# The Tevatron & Experiments

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- Delivered roughly  $12 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of proton-antiproton collisions from 2001 – 2011
- CDF & D0 each recorded over  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Data samples used in Higgs analyses:
  - D0: Up to  $\sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - CDF: Up to  $\sim 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



# H → bb searches

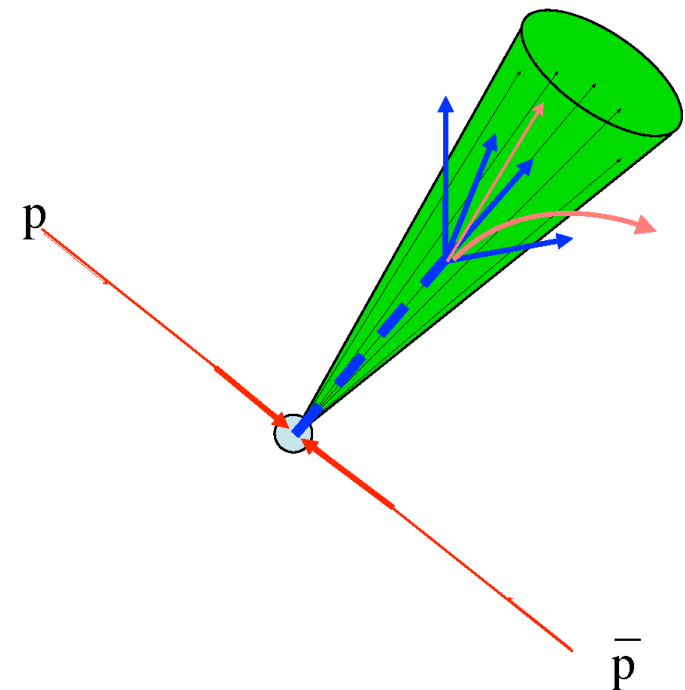
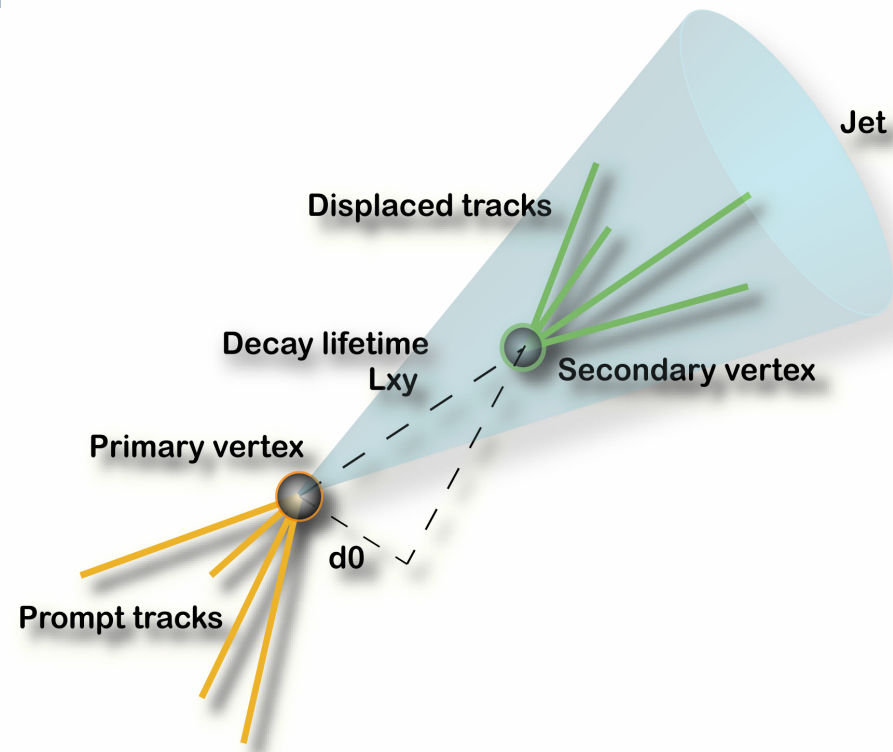


Analysis	No. of Leptons	Missing $E_T$ ?	No. of b-Jets
$ZH \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu} + b\bar{b}$	0	Yes	2
$WH \rightarrow \ell\nu + b\bar{b}$	1	Yes	2
$ZH \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^- + b\bar{b}$	2	No	2

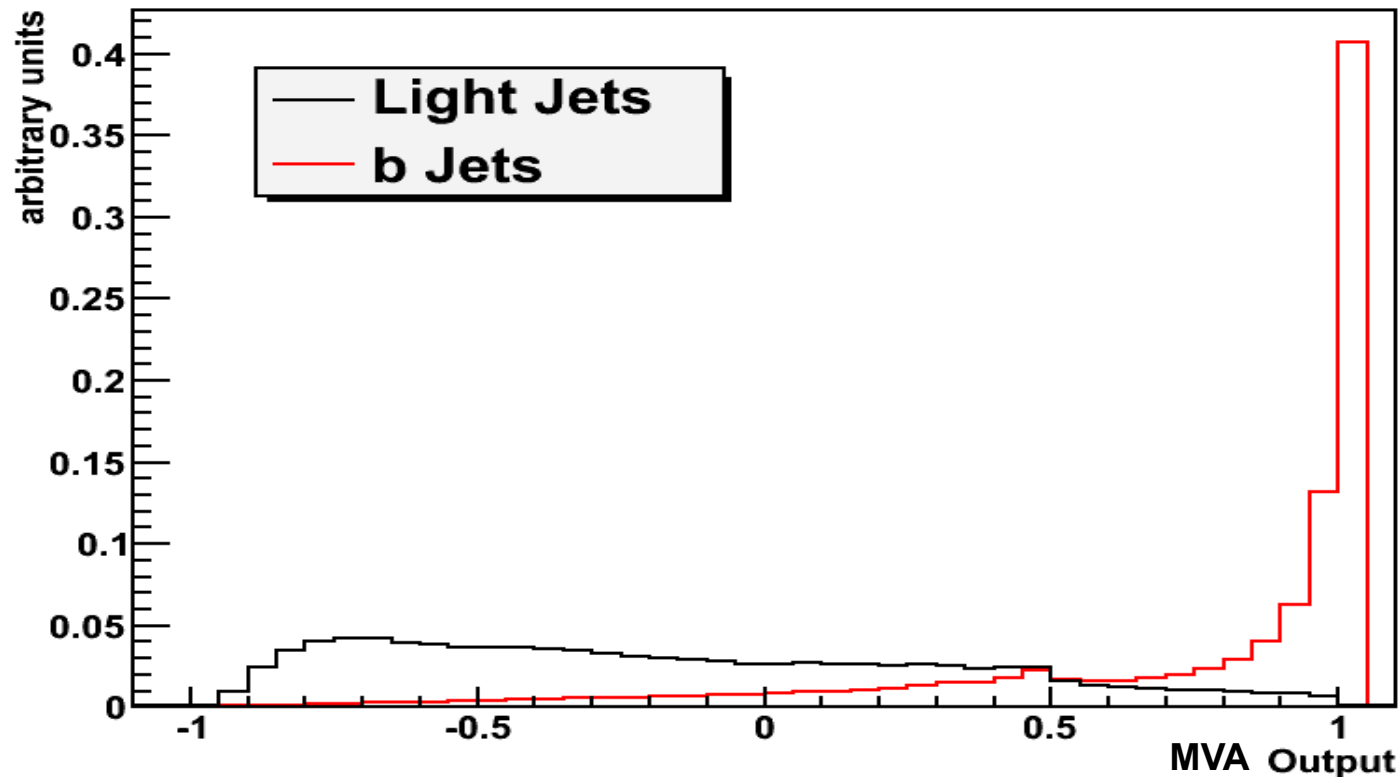
- To get the most sensitivity:
  - Maximize lepton reconstruction and selection efficiencies
  - Optimize  $b$ -jet tagging
  - Improve invariant dijet mass resolution

# *b*-tagging improved

- Both collaborations now use MVAs to identify *b*(*c*)-jets.
  - Neural networks
  - Decision trees
- Use variables which depend on longer lifetimes and heavier masses of *b*(*c*)-quarks.
  - Displaced vertex ( $L_{xy}$ ,  $d_0$ )
  - Jet mass
  - Distribution of tracks within the jet cone
  - etc.



# *b*-tagging improved



- CDF – HOBIT NN

	New Tag Efficiency	Old Tag Efficiency
B-jets	54 – 59%	39 – 47 %
LF jets	1 – 2%	1 – 2 %

- D0 –  $L_b$  BDT

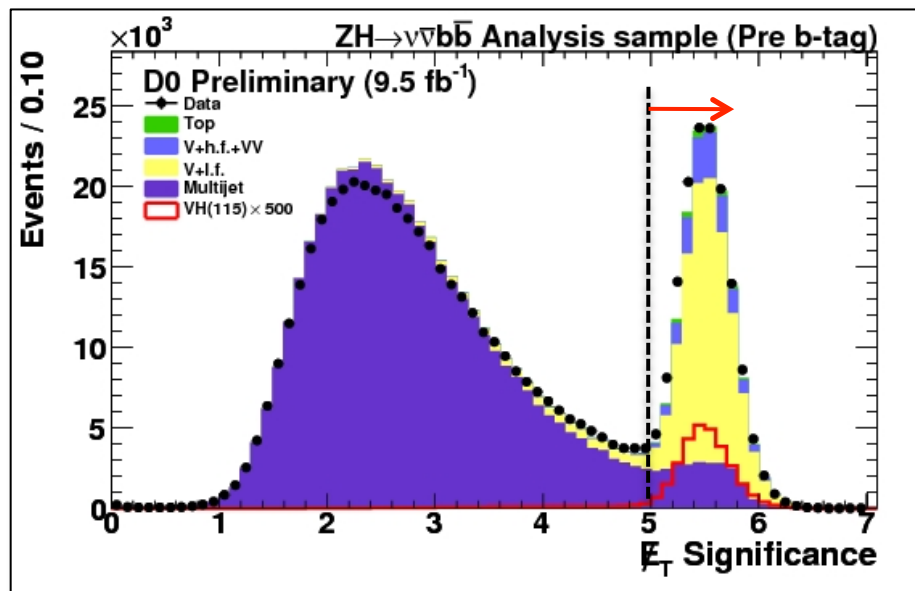
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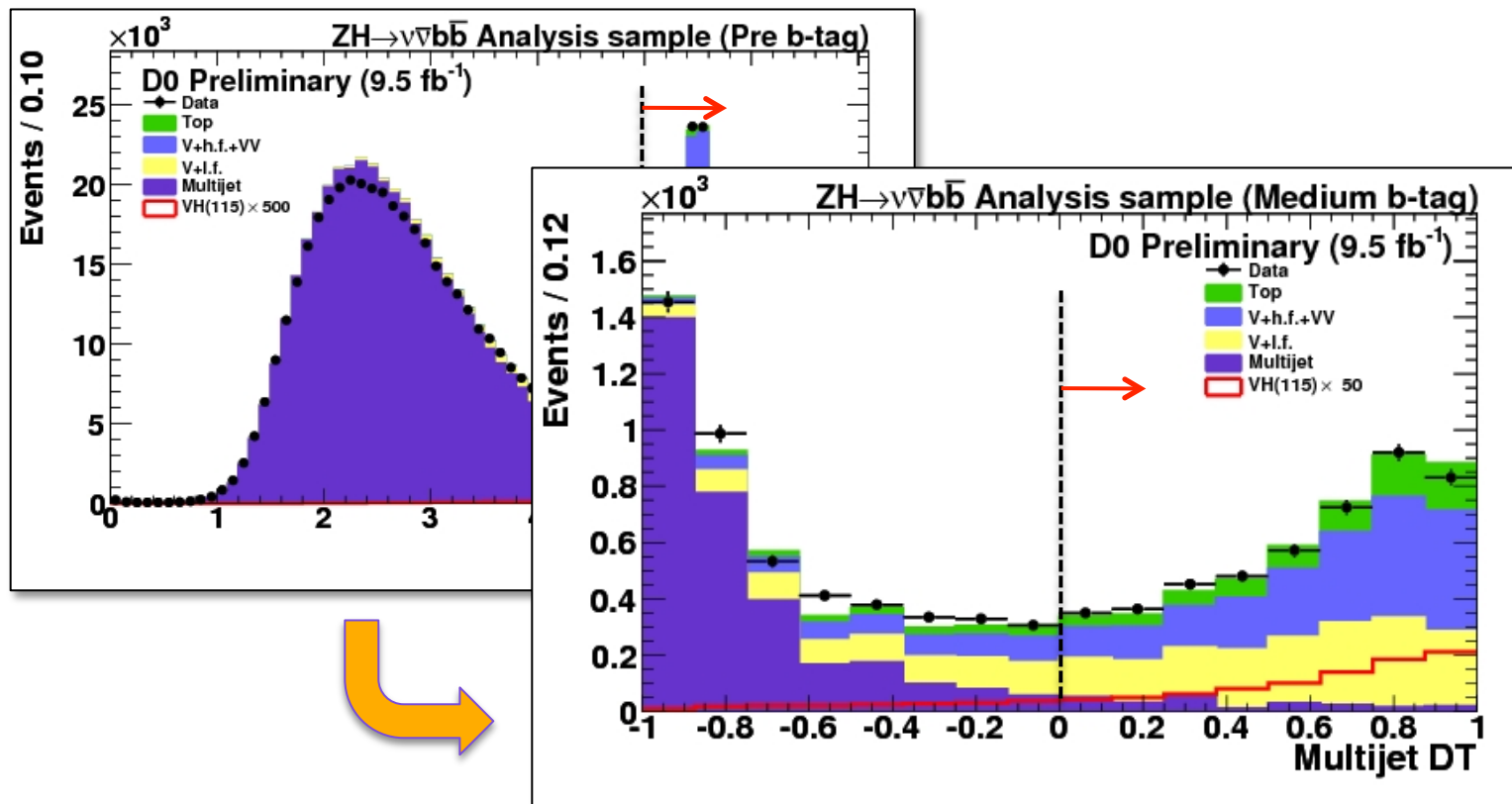
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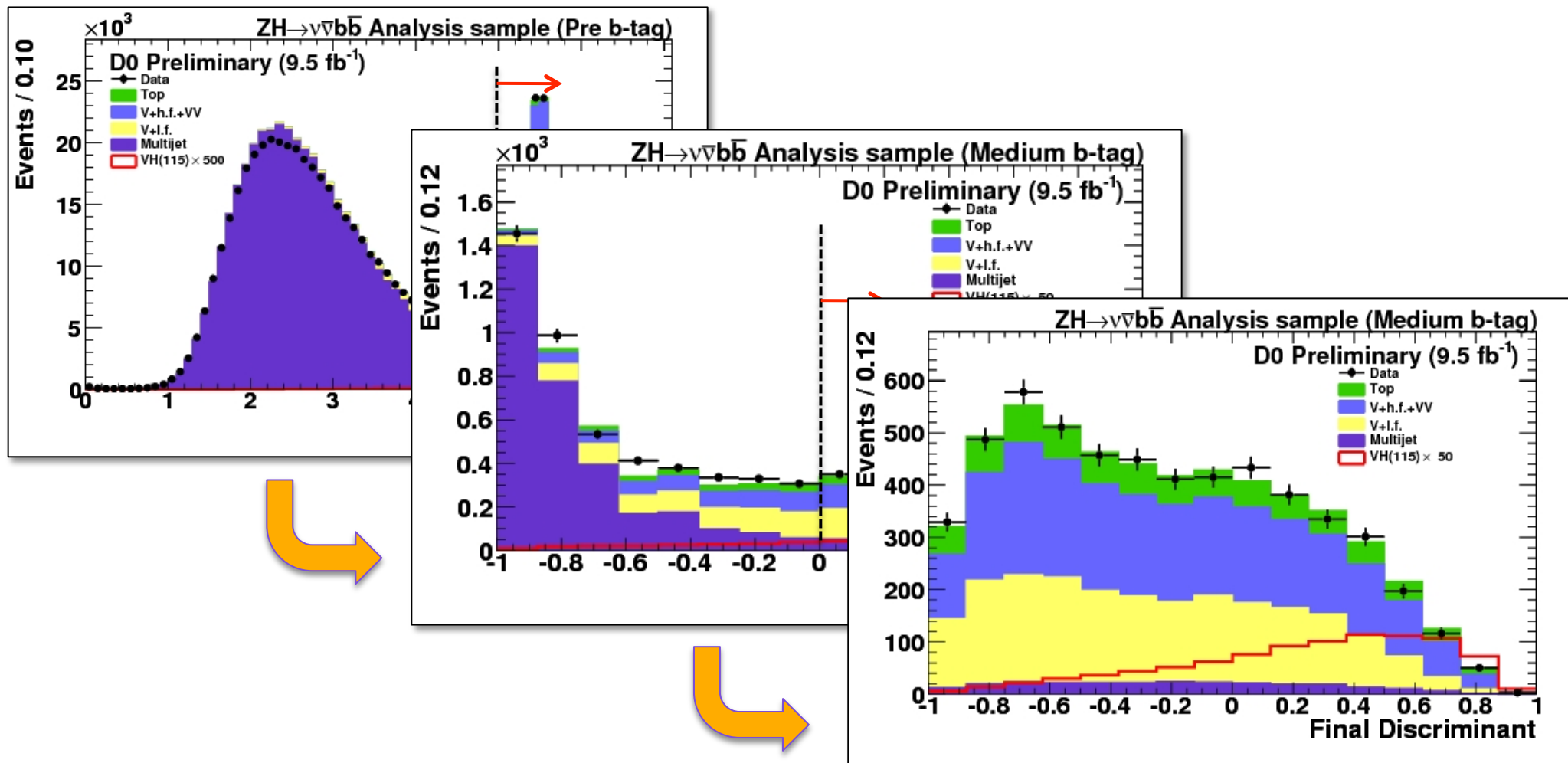
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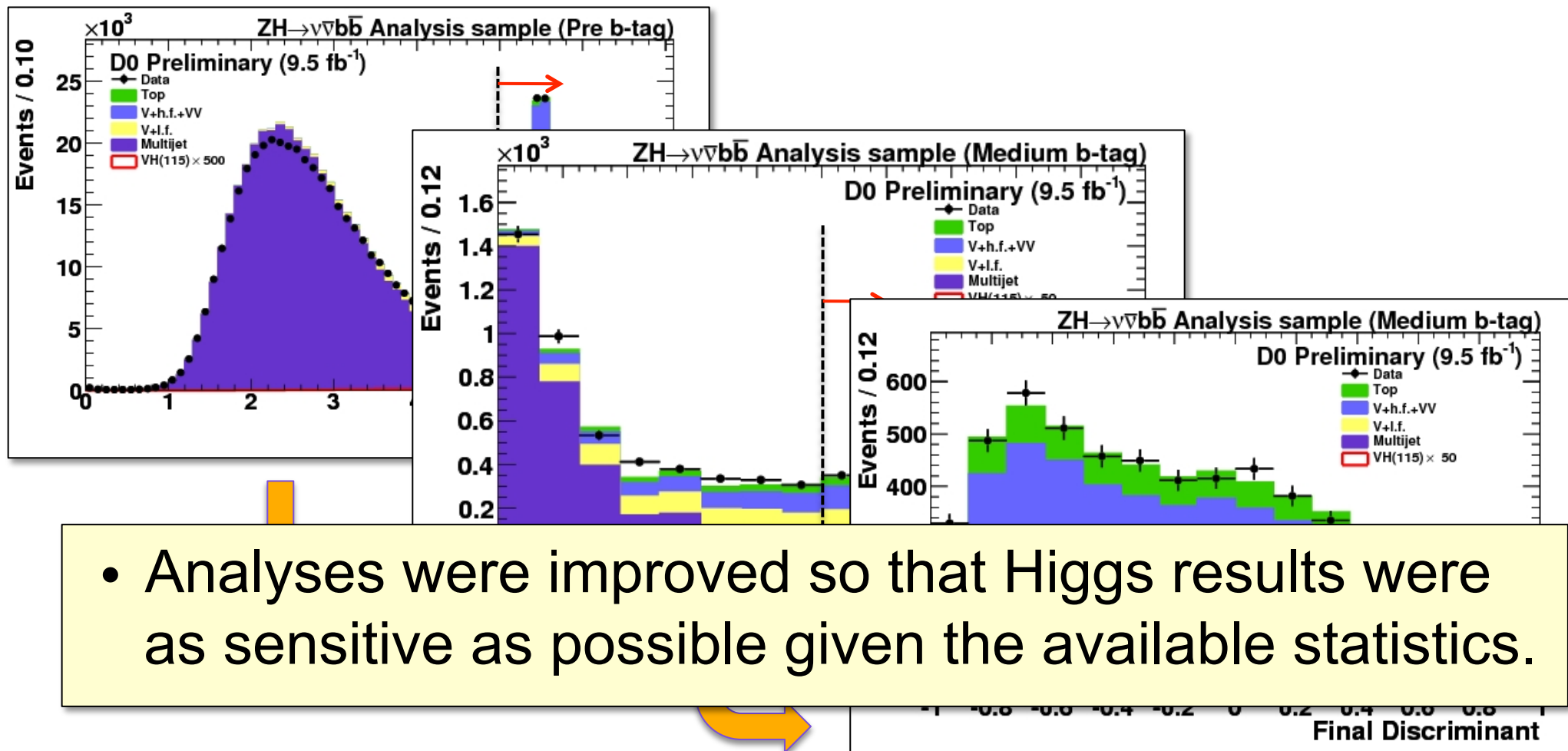
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- Analyses were improved so that Higgs results were as sensitive as possible given the available statistics.

# Status of the Tevatron Analyses

- Recent focus has been finalizing publications:

- D0:

- $WH \rightarrow l\nu + bb$ : Submitted to Phys. Rev. D (01/13)
- $H \rightarrow W^+W^-$ : Accepted by Phys. Rev. D (01/13)
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ : Submitted to Phys. Rev. D (01/13)
- $H \rightarrow W^+W^-/\tau^+\tau^-$ : Accepted by Phys. Rev. D (01/13)
- Trilepton/SS Lep: Submitted to Phys. Rev. D (02/13)

- CDF:

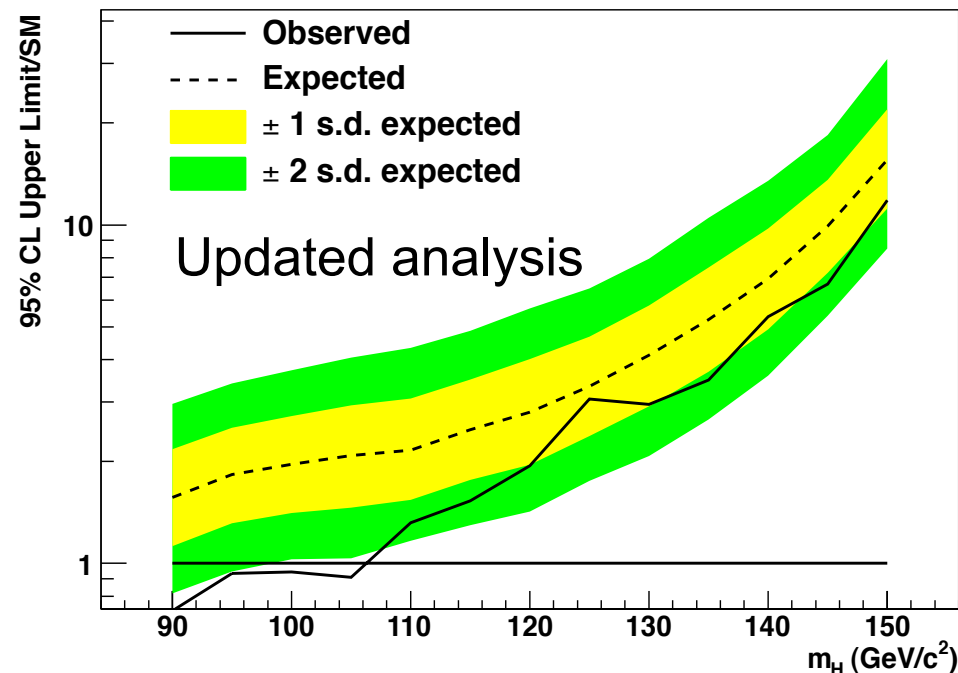
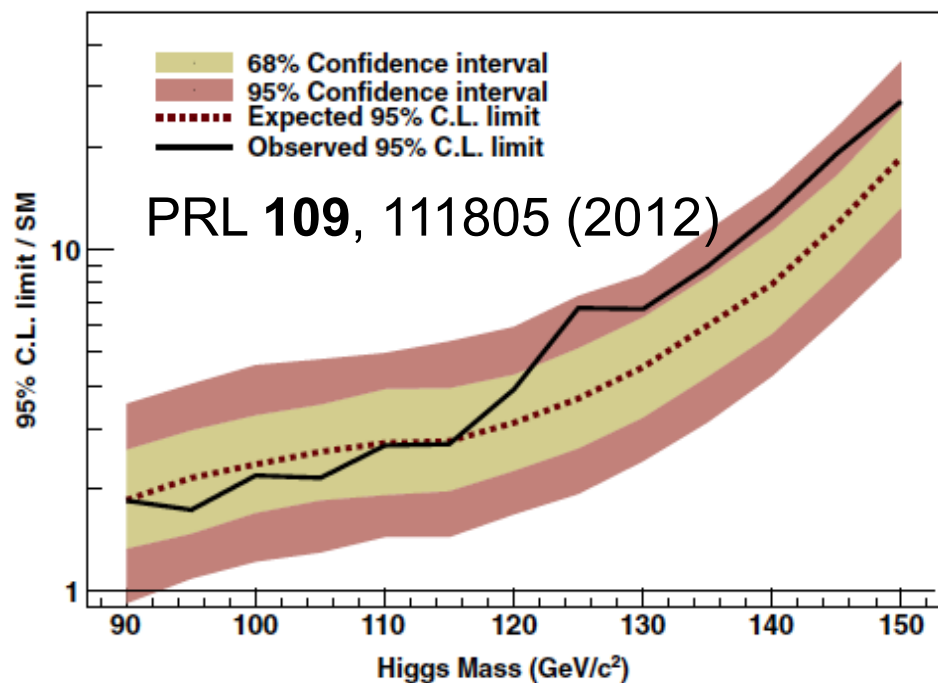
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- $VH \rightarrow qq' + bb$ : J. High Energy Phys. 02 (2013) 004

- Most significant effort

- Suite of cross checks performed on CDF MET+bb analysis (discussed today)

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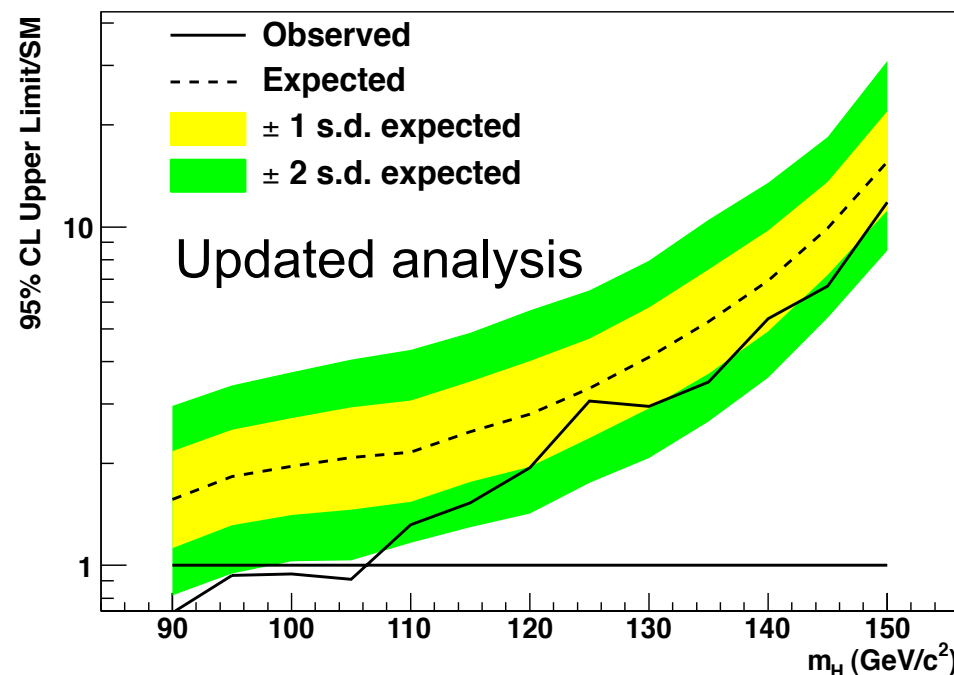
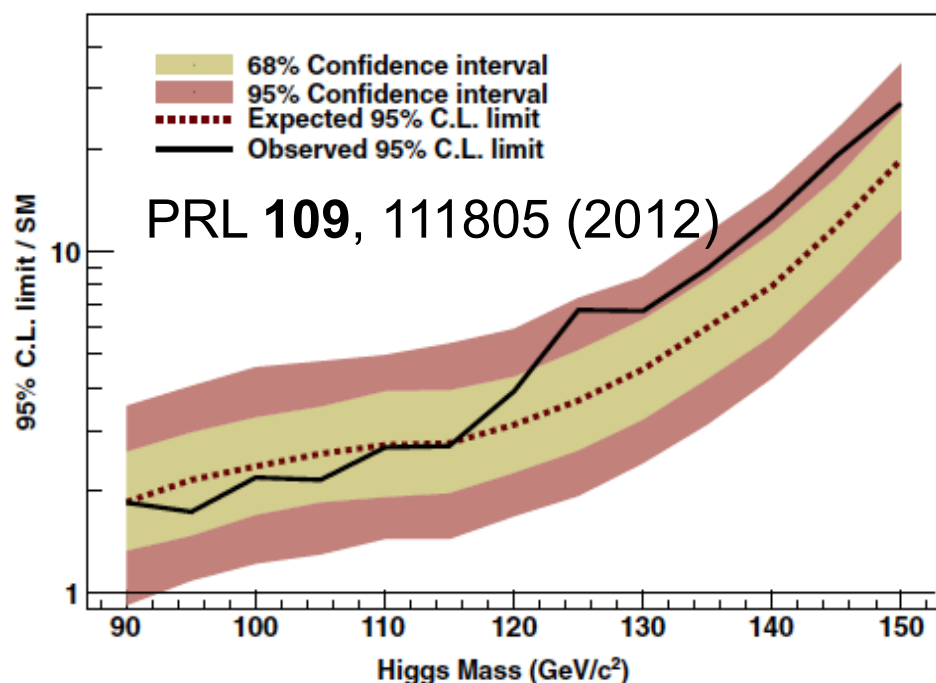
- Look for Higgs boson in final state with missing transverse energy and two jets
- Sensitive to following processes:
  - $ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu + bb$
  - $WH \rightarrow l\nu + bb$  (lepton lost in reconstruction)
- Analyze full CDF data set as in summer analysis
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- Look for Higgs boson in final state with missing
- Expected limits are 14% better on average than those of the previous analysis
- Observed limits are 55% lower on average, fairly independent across Higgs boson mass
- Why such a discrepancy?

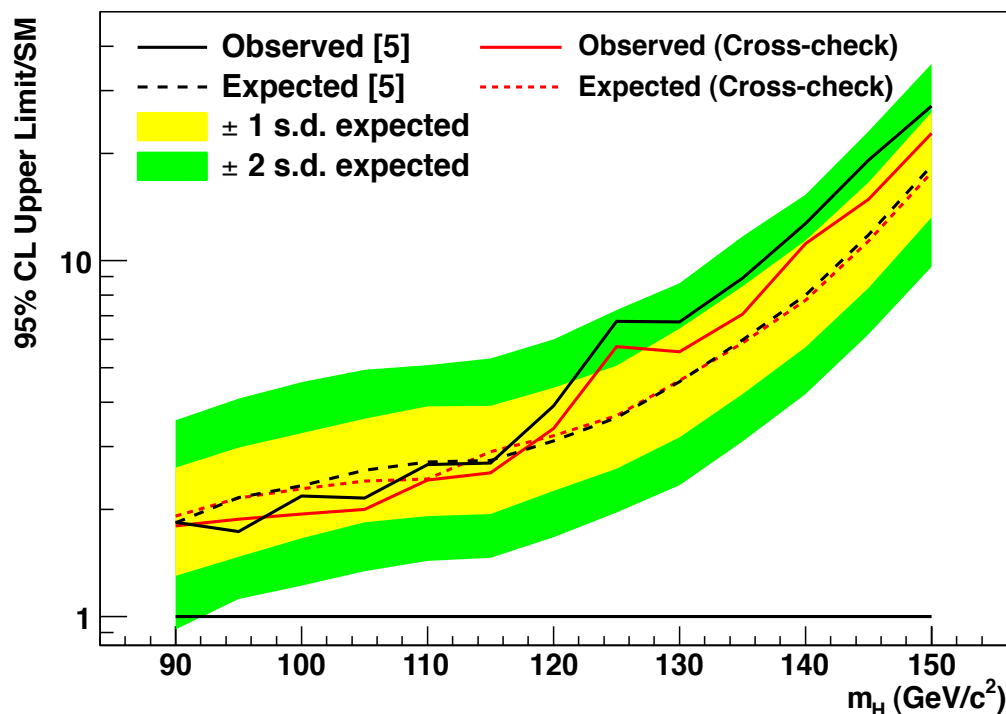
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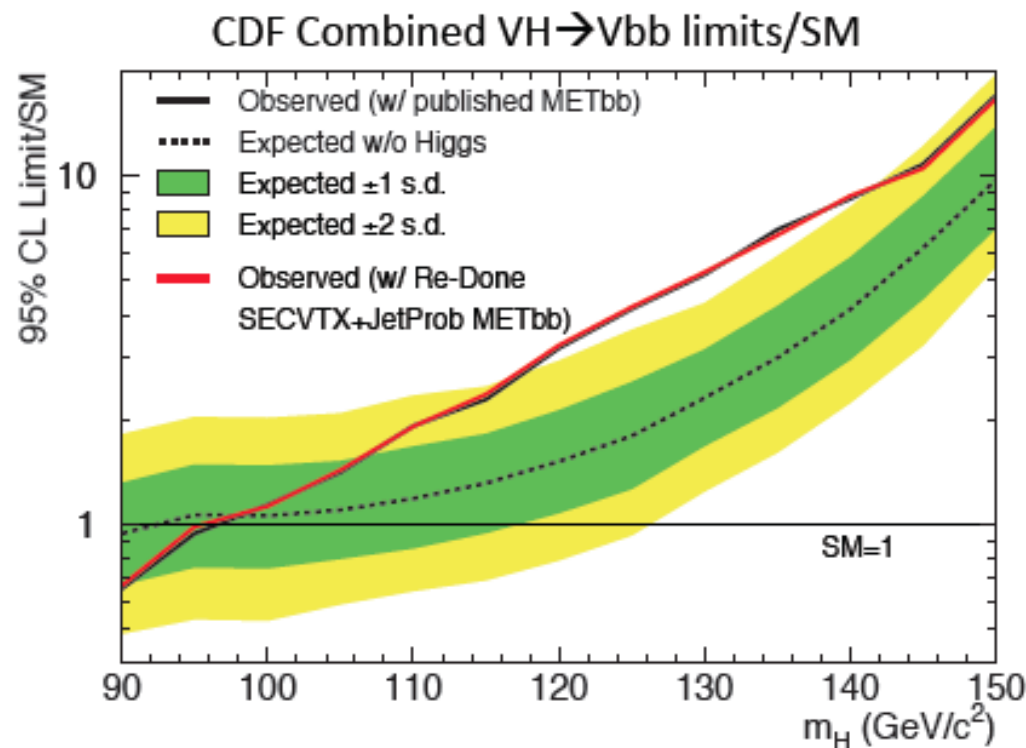


- Expected limits in very good agreement with those of summer analysis.
- Observed limits systematically lower than those of summer analysis.
- Non-negligible fraction of discrepancy originates from different (improved) treatment of systematic uncertainties.

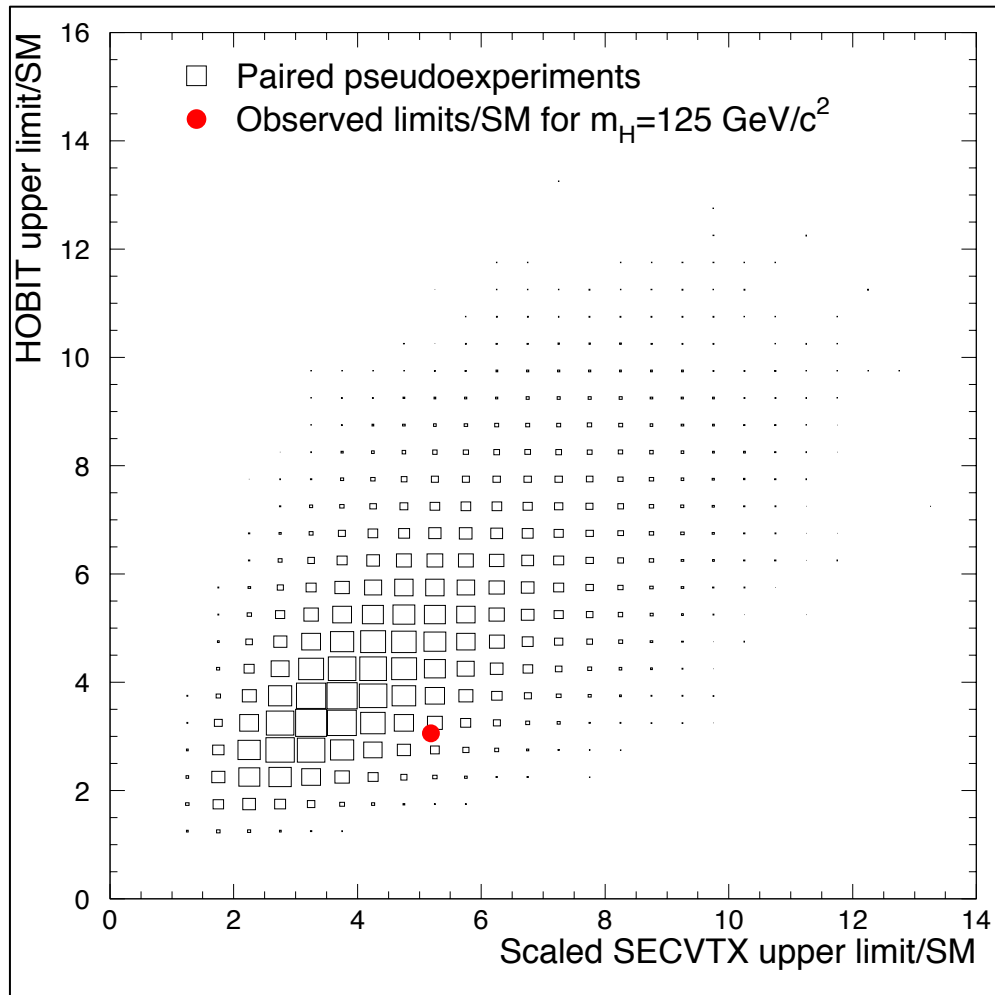
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- Effect on  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  summer combination?
- Limits /  $p$ -values unchanged wrt to summer combination.
- Conclusion: analysis method is robust, and CDF stands behind the  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  results from last summer.

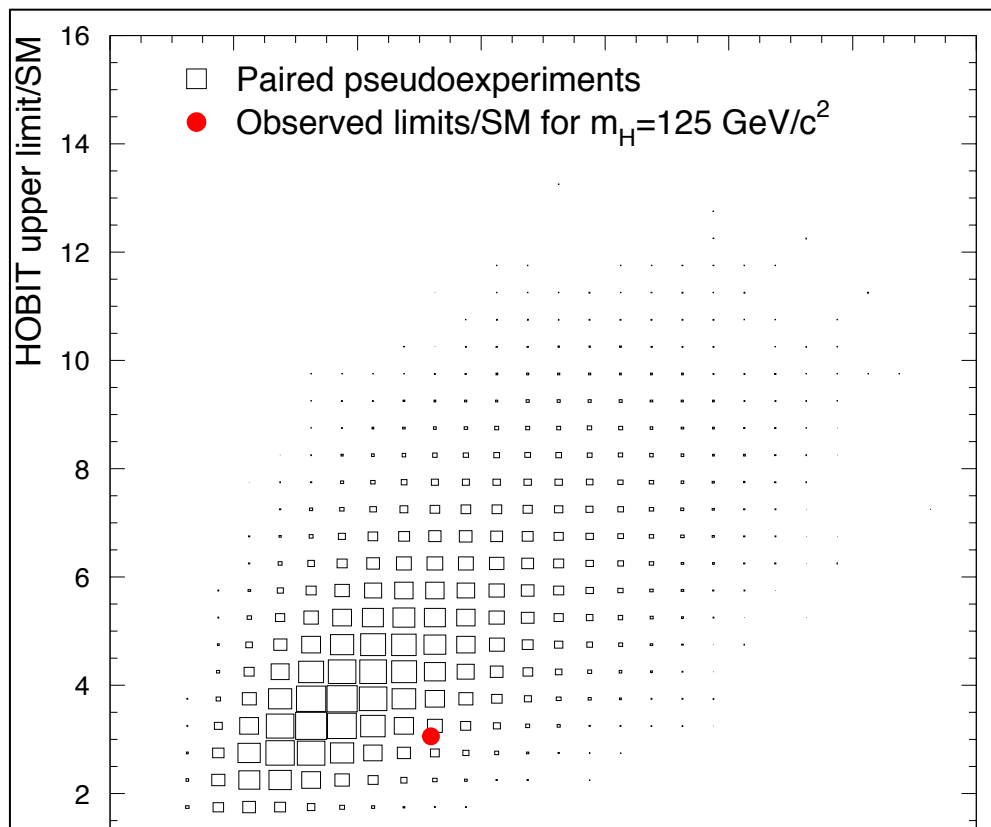


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- Probability of global shift:  
3 – 5 %

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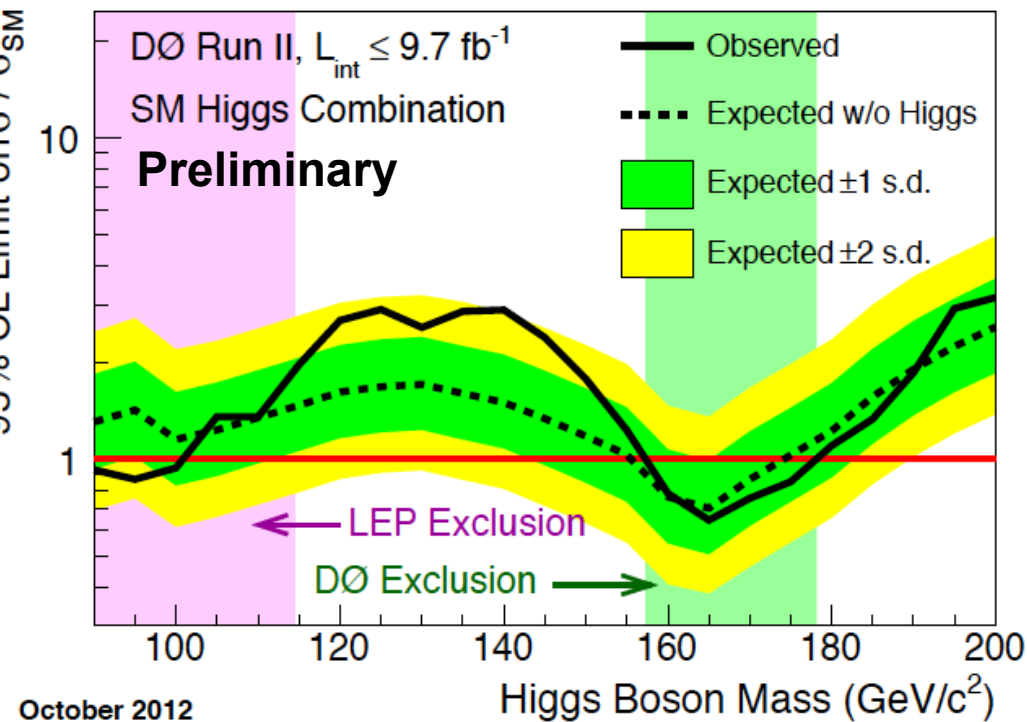
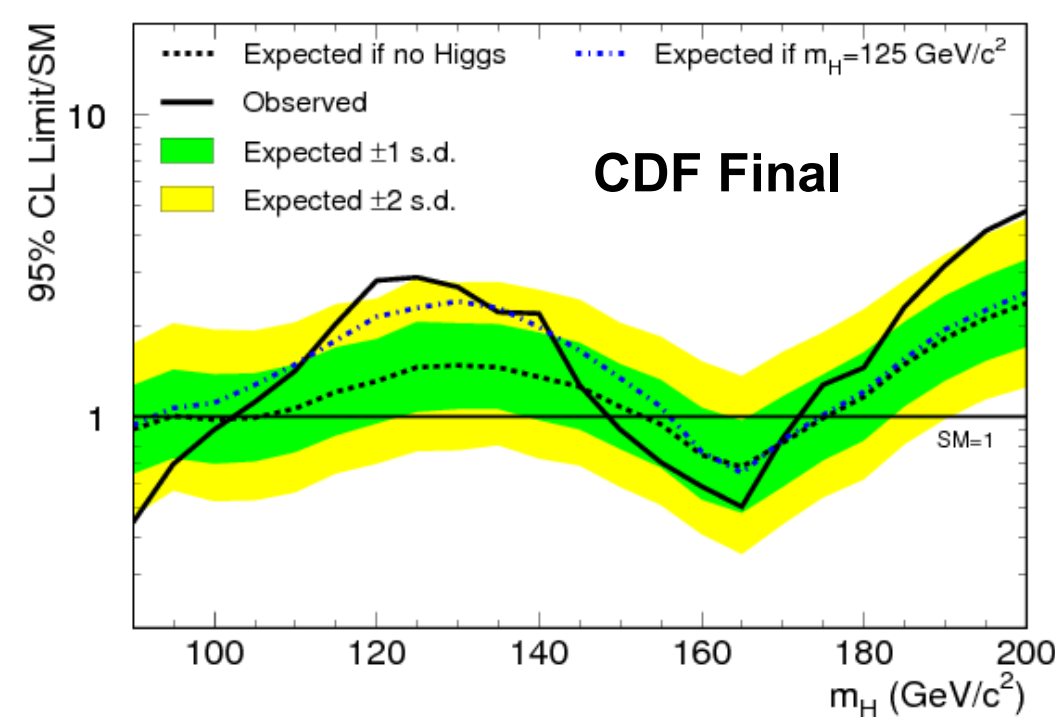
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- Since none of the checks suggested any mistakes in analysis, the conclusion is that the significant shift in limits due to event migration effects from changing  $b$ -tagging algorithms.
- Previous summer publication valid; for final combination, CDF decided to use analysis with most sensitive expected limits.

# Status of the Combinations

- Today I will present the most recently approved CDF, D0, and Tevatron combinations.
  - *A final CDF Higgs combination has been performed and submitted to Phys. Rev. D.*
  - *Preliminary D0 combination from Oct. 2012.*
  - *Preliminary Tevatron combination from Nov. 2012.*
- Final Tevatron combination aiming for release next week.

# Higgs limits from all channels



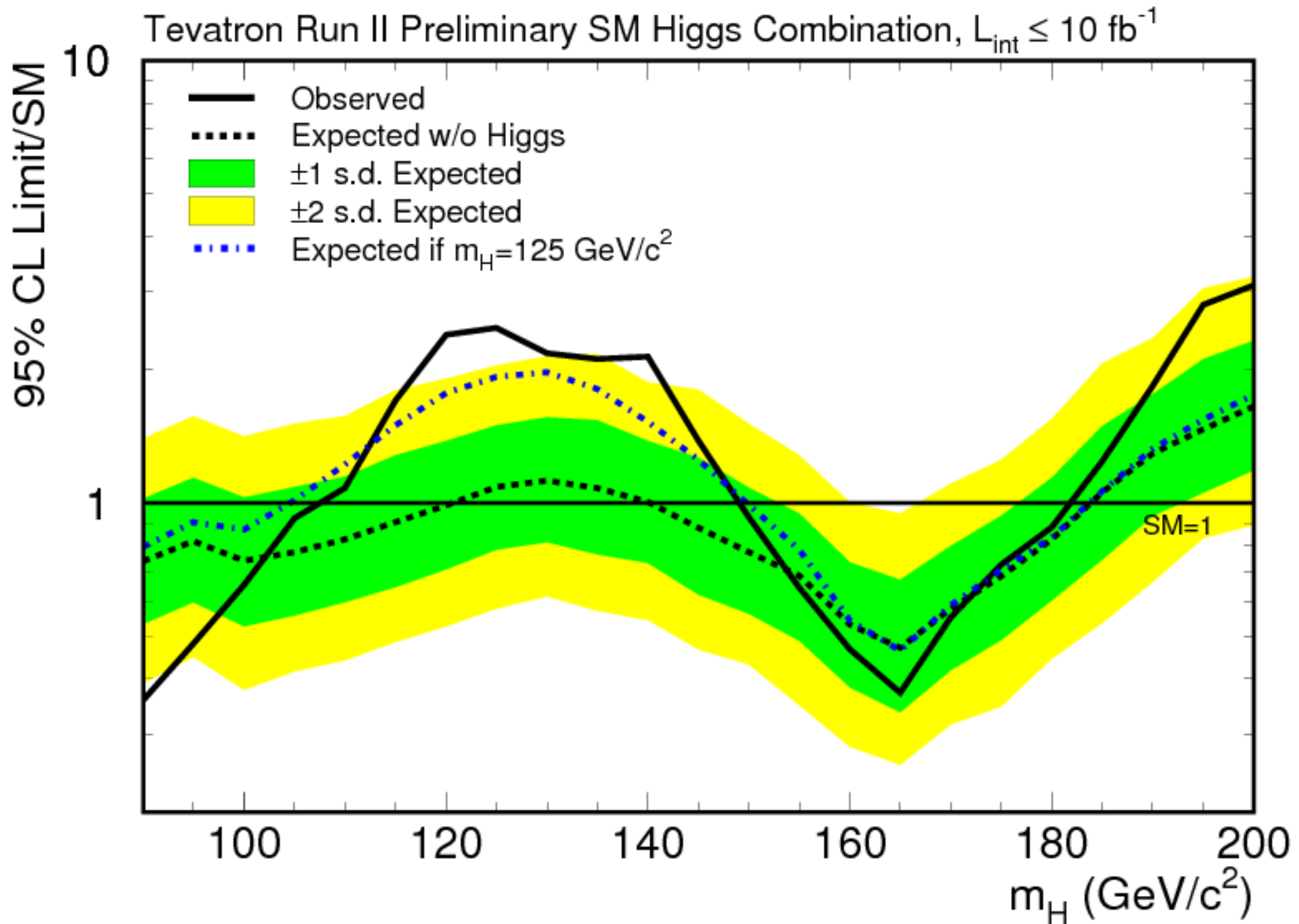
Exp. Exclusion:  $90 < m_H < 94 \text{ GeV}$   
 $96 < m_H < 106 \text{ GeV}$   
 $154 < m_H < 176 \text{ GeV}$

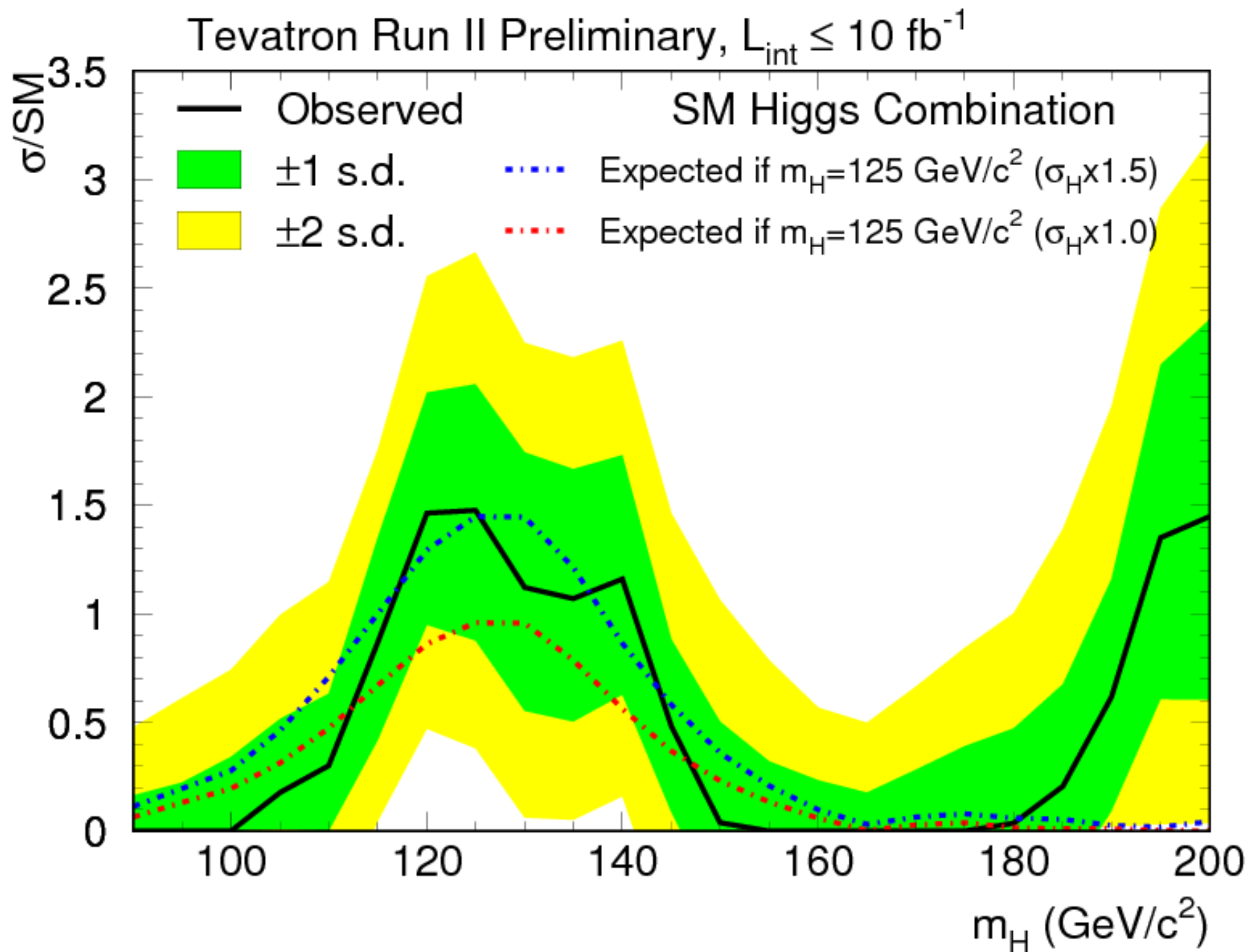
Obs. Exclusion:  $90 < m_H < 102 \text{ GeV}$   
 $149 < m_H < 172 \text{ GeV}$

Exp. Exclusion:  $156 < m_H < 173 \text{ GeV}$

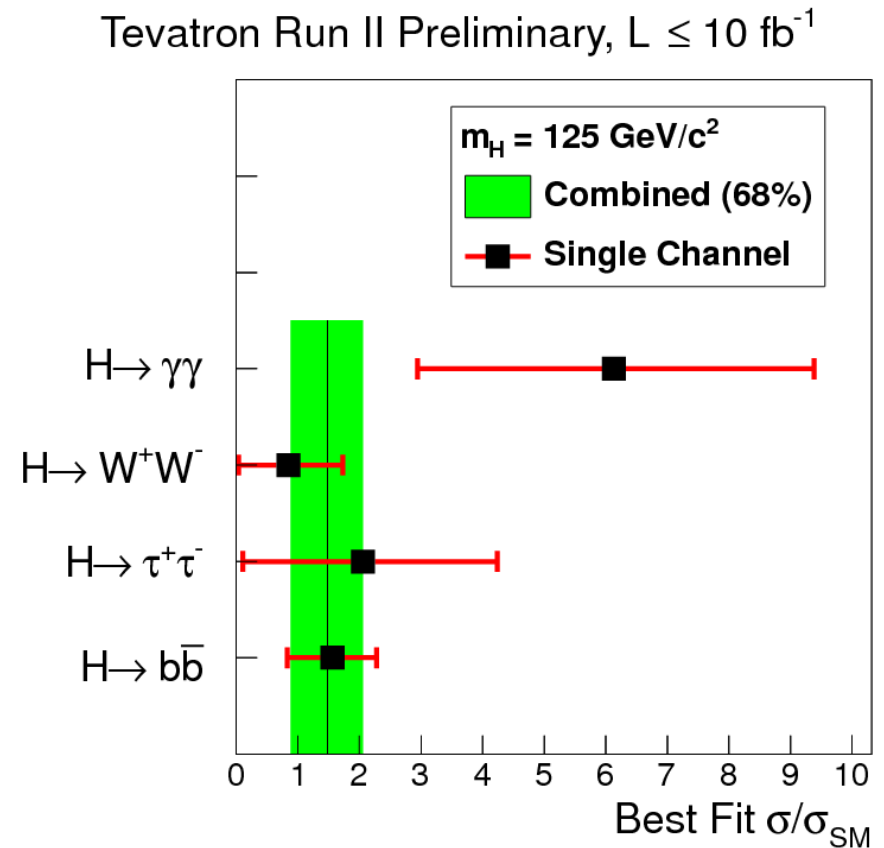
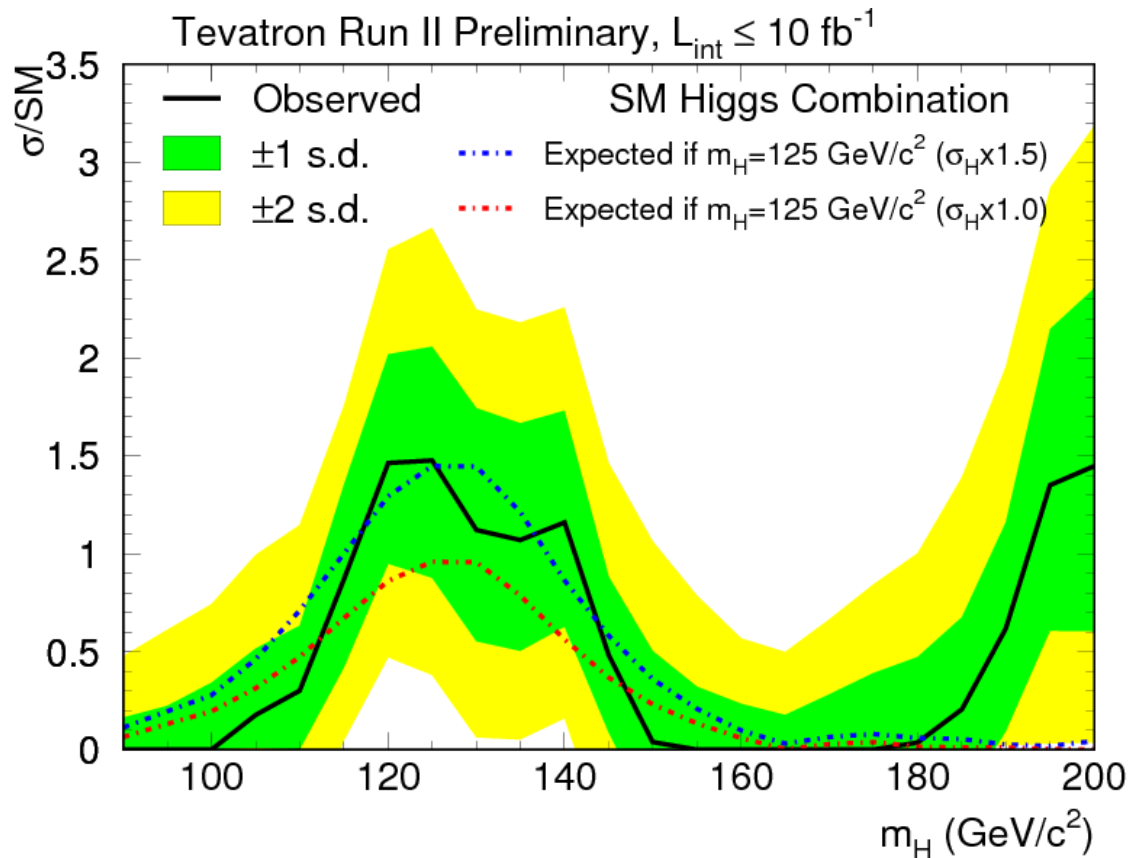
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# Cross-section Measurements: Full



$$H \rightarrow W^+W^- \quad 0.85^{+0.88}_{-0.81} \times \text{SM}$$

$$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \quad 6.13^{+3.25}_{-3.19} \times \text{SM}$$

$$H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^- \quad 2.12^{+2.25}_{-2.12} \times \text{SM}$$

$$H \rightarrow b\bar{b} \quad 1.56^{+0.72}_{-0.73} \times \text{SM}$$

$$\text{Combined} \quad 1.48^{+0.58}_{-0.60} \times \text{SM}$$

# Constraining Higgs Couplings

- Window to exotic physics can be parameterized through coupling factors:

- Hff coupling scaled by:  $K_f$
- HWW / HZZ / HVV scaled by:  $K_W, K_Z, K_V$
- Standard model is obtained when:

$$K_f = K_W = K_Z = 1 .$$

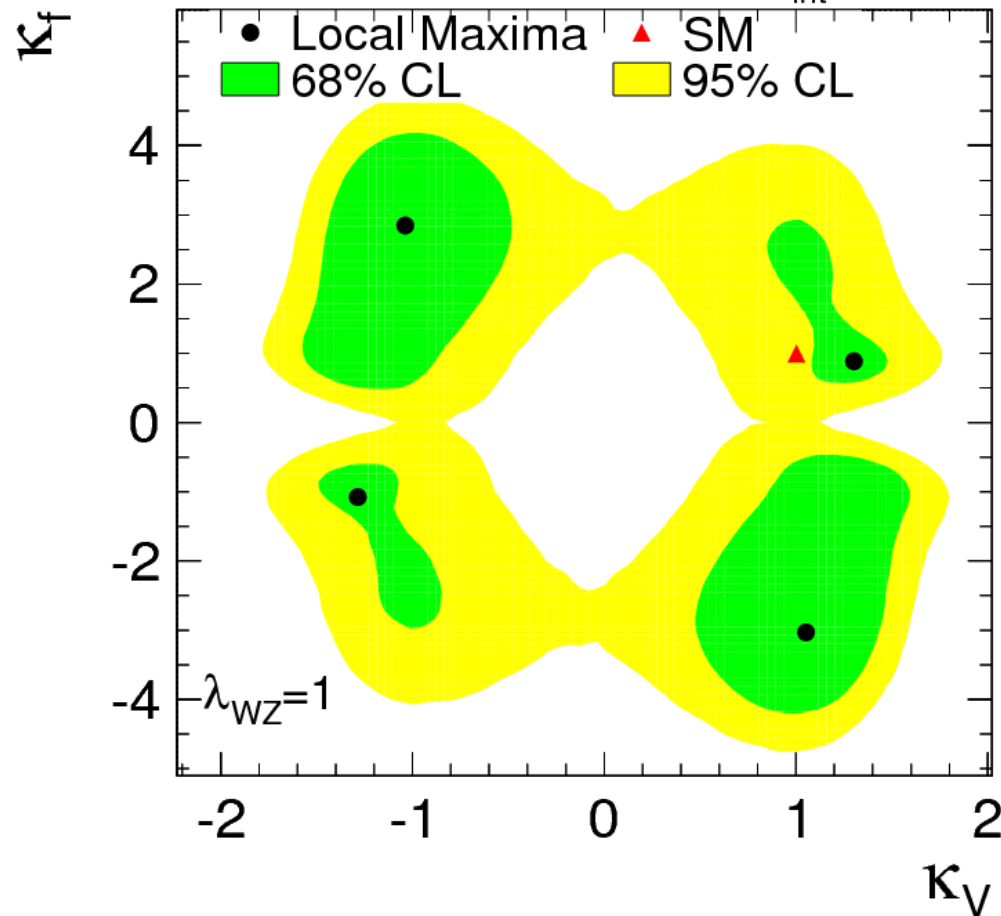
- Expressions for Higgs boson production/decay processes are modified based on production mechanism and decay channel (e.g.):

Process	$\sigma \times \mathcal{B}_H$
$VH \rightarrow V + b\bar{b}$	$\propto (\kappa_f \kappa_V)^2$
$t\bar{t}H \rightarrow t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$	$\propto (\kappa_f^2)^2$
$VH \rightarrow V + W^+W^-$	$\propto (\kappa_V^2)^2$

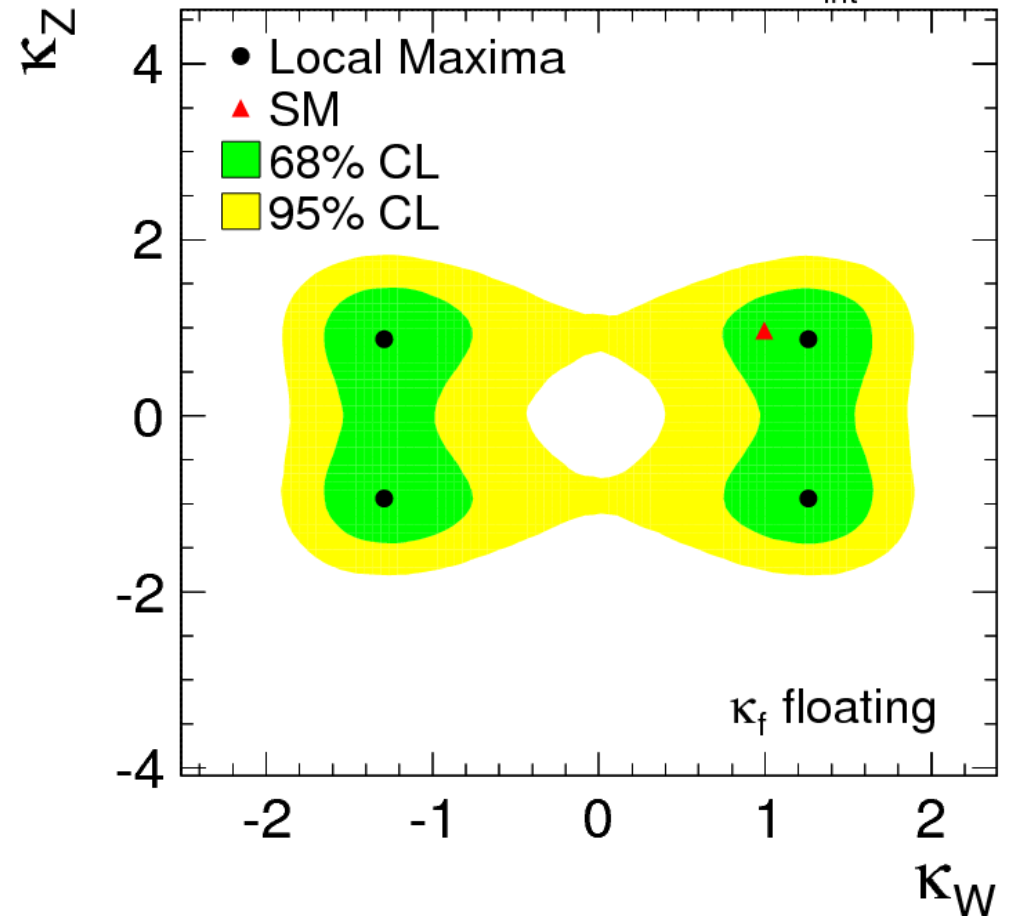
- Test coupling factors using Bayesian method:
  - Uniform priors assumed for  $\kappa$  's

# Couplings

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- All measured couplings consistent with SM predictions.

# Conclusions

- Analysis improvements implemented in CDF and D0 to improve Higgs sensitivity to exclusion to better than
  - $1.15 \times \text{SM}$  for  $m_H < 190 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
  - $1.09 \times \text{SM}$  for  $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- Broad excess in observed data relative to background-only hypothesis in  $115 < m_H < 150 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , consistent with LHC observations.
- Measured cross-sections and couplings are constrained and consistent with SM predictions.
- Final Tevatron combination to be released for Moriond
  - Publication to be submitted at same time.

*Thank you.*



# Public Results

- Tevatron Combination

- <http://tevnphwg.fnal.gov/results/>

- D0 Results

- [http://www-d0.fnal.gov/d0\\_publications/d0\\_pubs\\_list\\_runII\\_bytopic.html#higgs](http://www-d0.fnal.gov/d0_publications/d0_pubs_list_runII_bytopic.html#higgs)

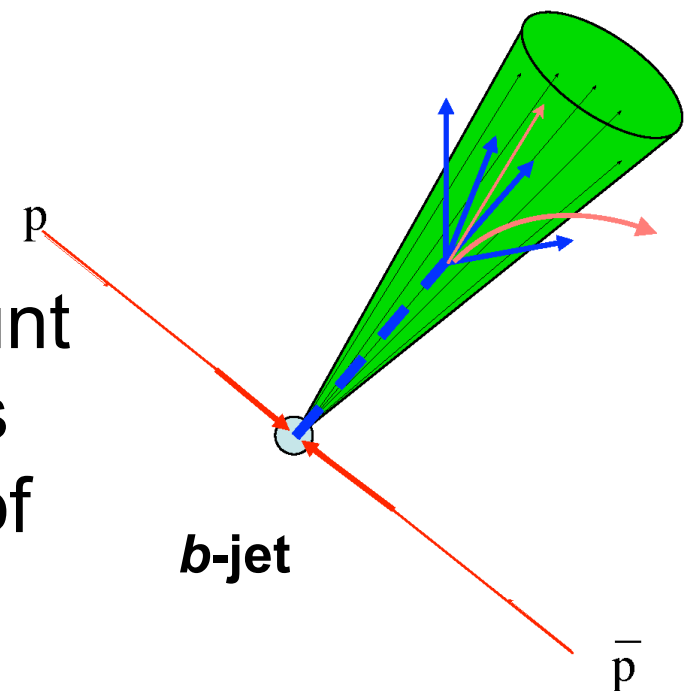
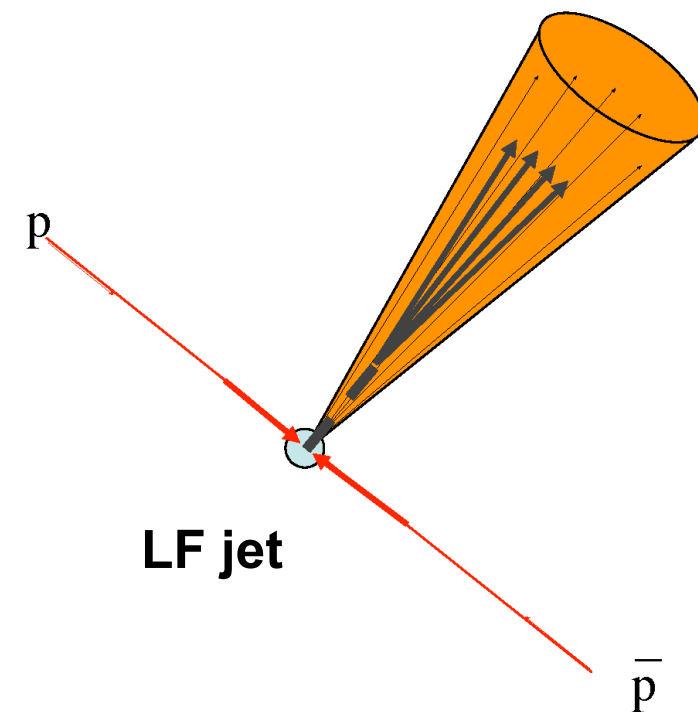
- CDF Results

- <http://www-cdf.fnal.gov/physics/new/hdg/Results.html>

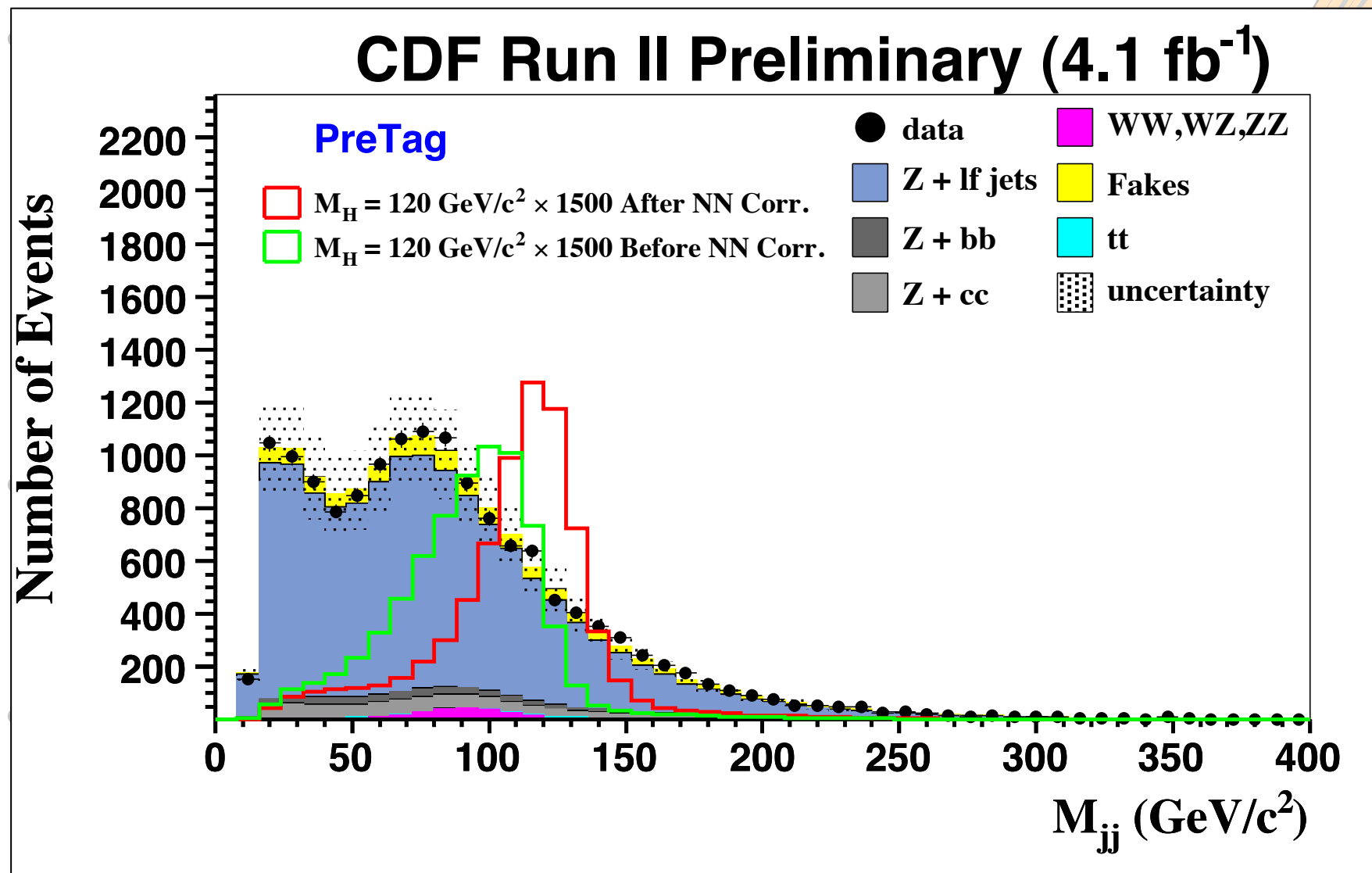
# Back-up Slides

# Mass resolution improved

- Shape of invariant mass distribution:
  - Peaking for Higgs signal
  - Peaking for diboson background
  - Falling for other backgrounds
- Jet-energy corrections generally derived from light-quark jets
- Regression algorithms can account for missing energy from neutrinos and muons, and energy outside of the jet-cone for  $b$ -jets.



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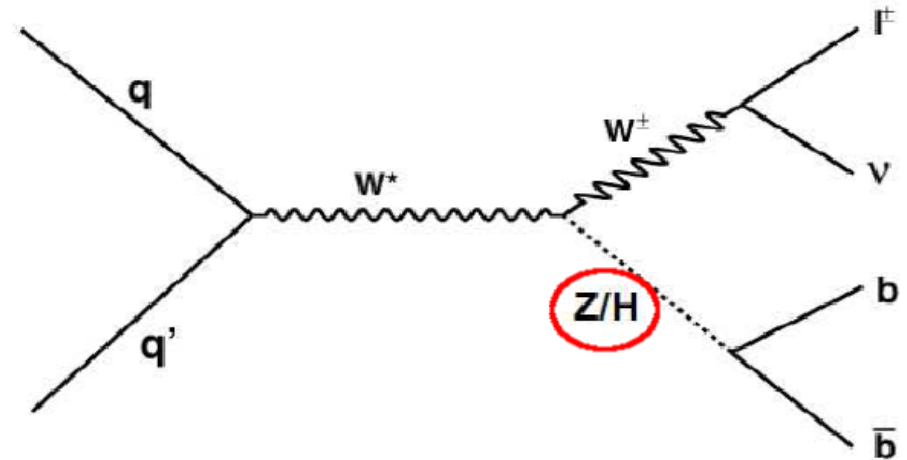
the jet-cone for  $b$ -jets.

$b$ -jet

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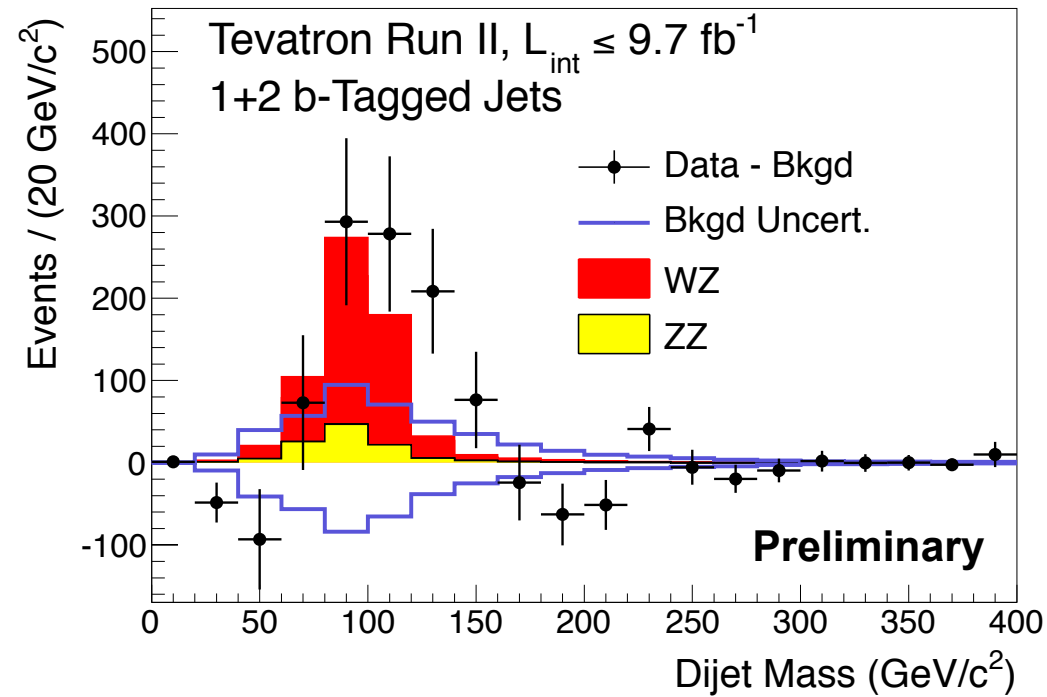
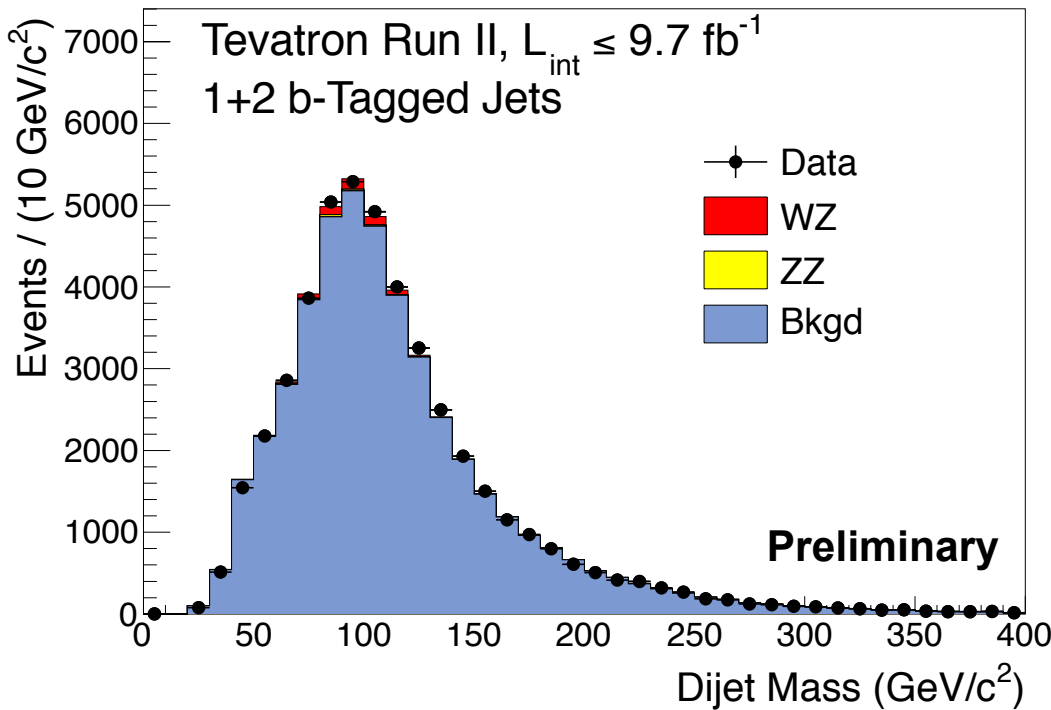
# Diboson vs. Higgs Analyses

- Feynman diagrams are topologically equivalent



- Same final states, and therefore same analysis strategy, modulo different definitions of signal.
  - Retrained signal/background discriminants

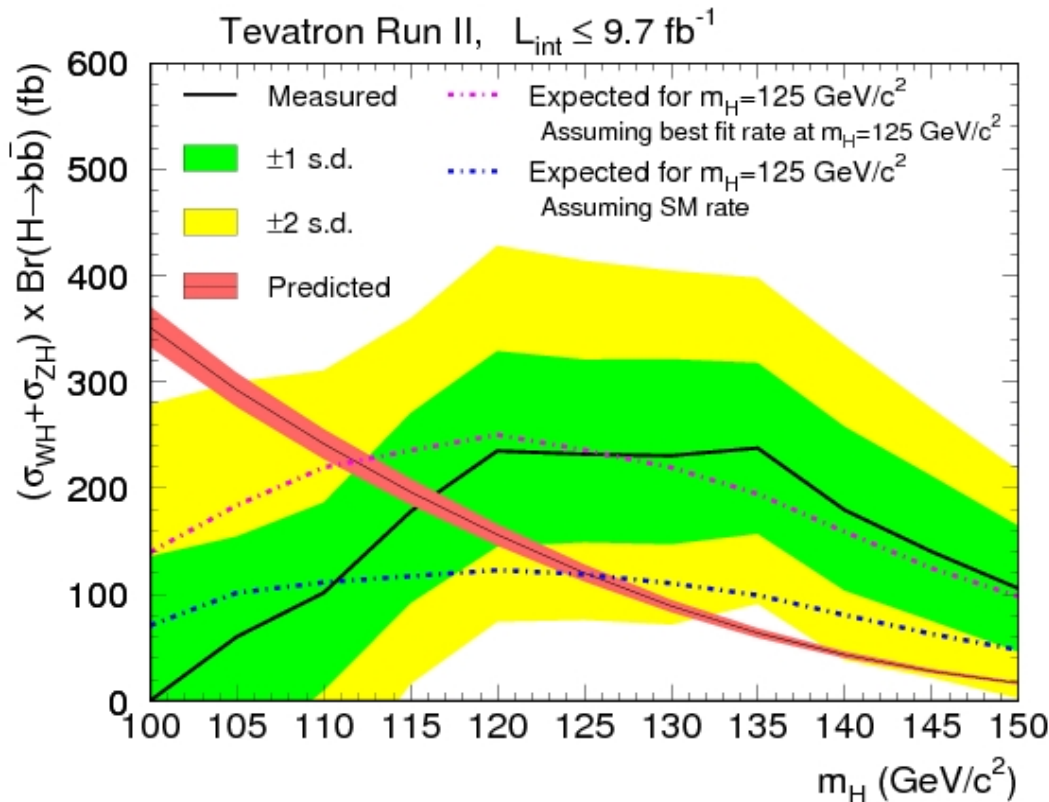
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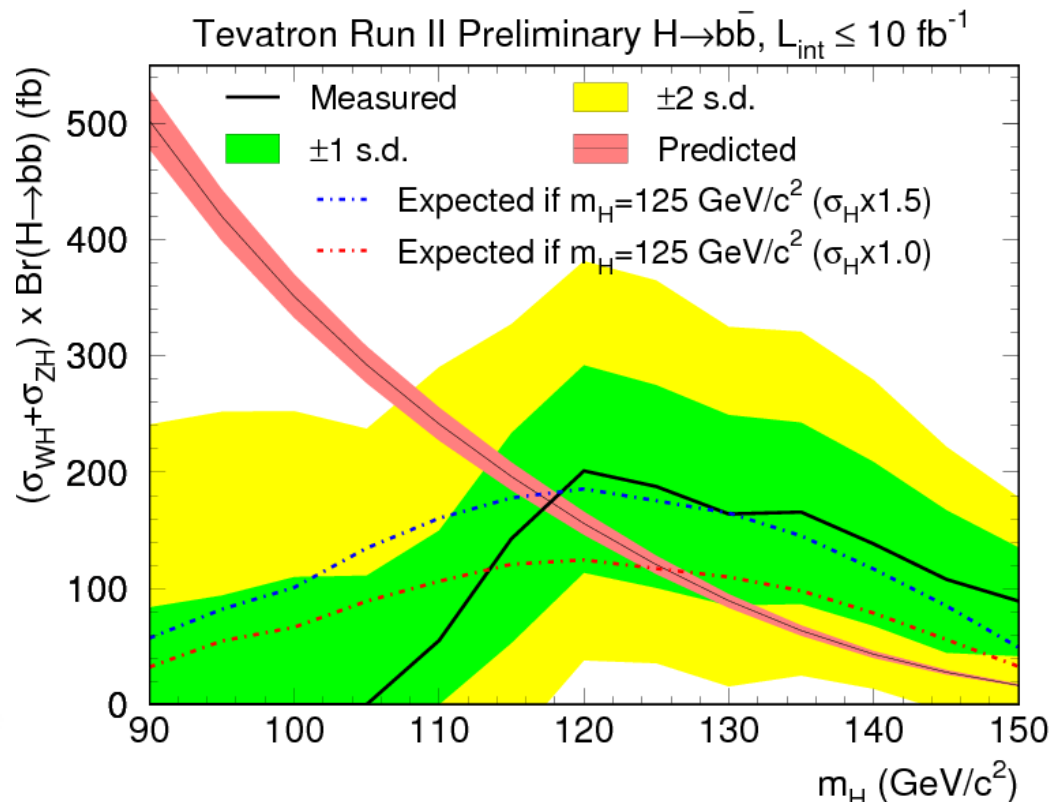
$$\sigma(WZ+ZZ)_{\text{meas.}} = 3.0 \pm 0.9 \text{ pb}$$

$$\text{SM Prediction} = 4.4 \pm 0.3 \text{ pb}$$

# Cross-section measurements: $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$



$$\sigma(VH) \times Br(H \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = 230^{+90}_{-80} \text{ fb}$$



$$\sigma(VH) \times Br(H \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = 190^{+90}_{-90} \text{ fb}$$

## SM Prediction at 125:

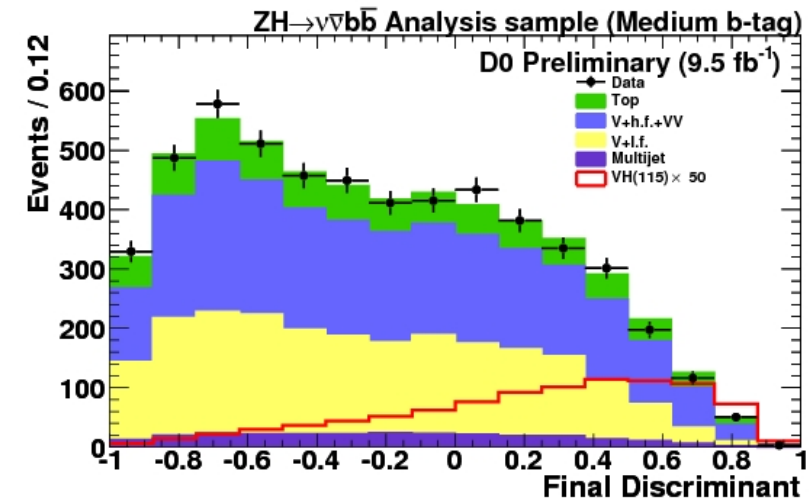
$$\sigma(VH) \times Br(H \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = 120 \pm 8 \text{ fb}$$



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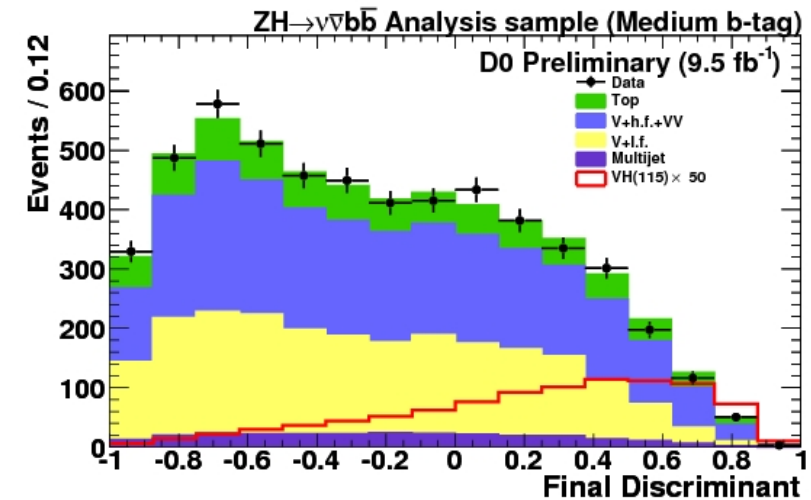


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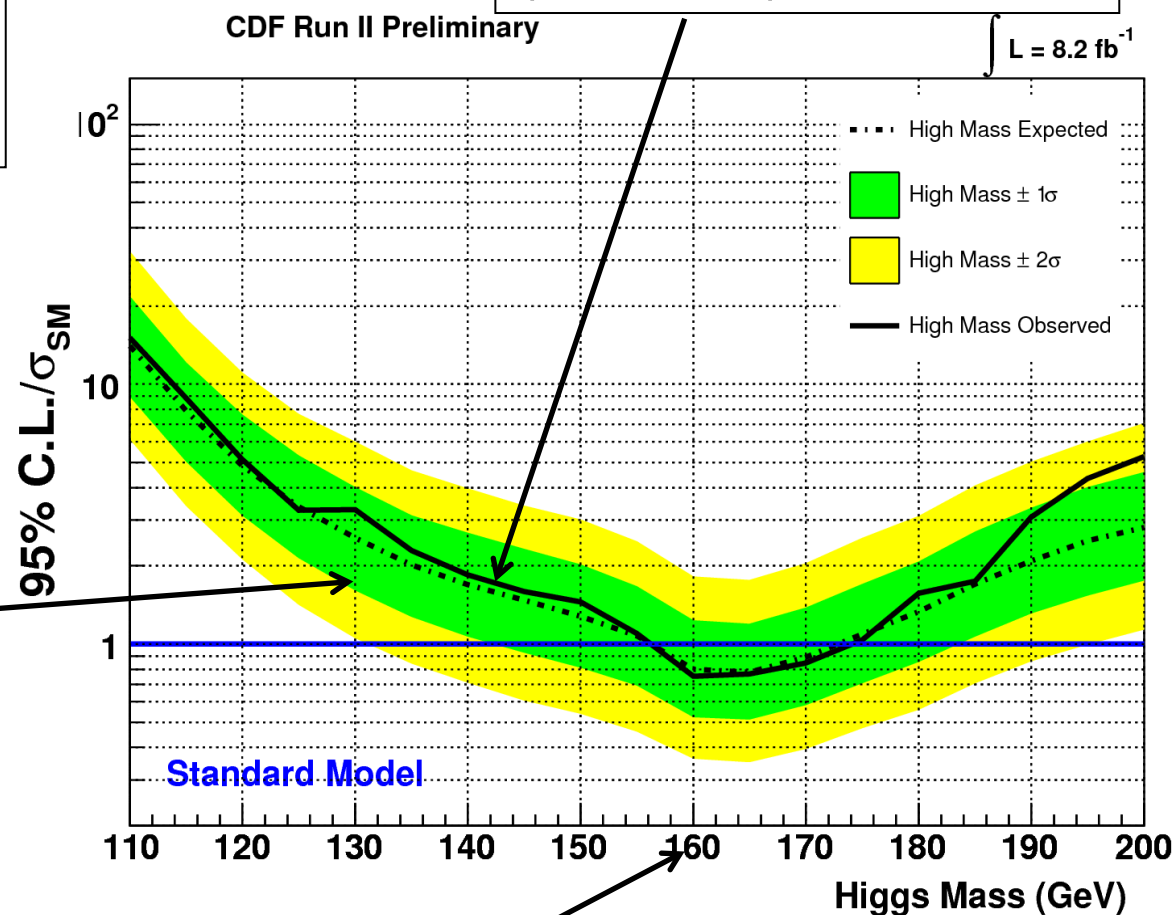
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- Cross-section fits/limits calculated by maximizing likelihood using profiling or marginalizing
  - Good agreement between both
- For Bayesian method (CDF), uniform, non-negative prior assumed for Higgs boson signal.

# Anatomy of a Limit Plot

1. Upper cross section limit for Higgs production relative to SM prediction

3. Median expected limit (dot-dashed line) and predicted  $1\sigma/2\sigma$  (green/yellow bands) excursions from background only pseudo-experiments

2. Observed limit (solid line) from data



4. Analysis repeated using different signal templates for each  $m_H$  between 110 and 200 GeV in 5 GeV steps