



CMS Higgs search in fermions final states

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A little bit of history

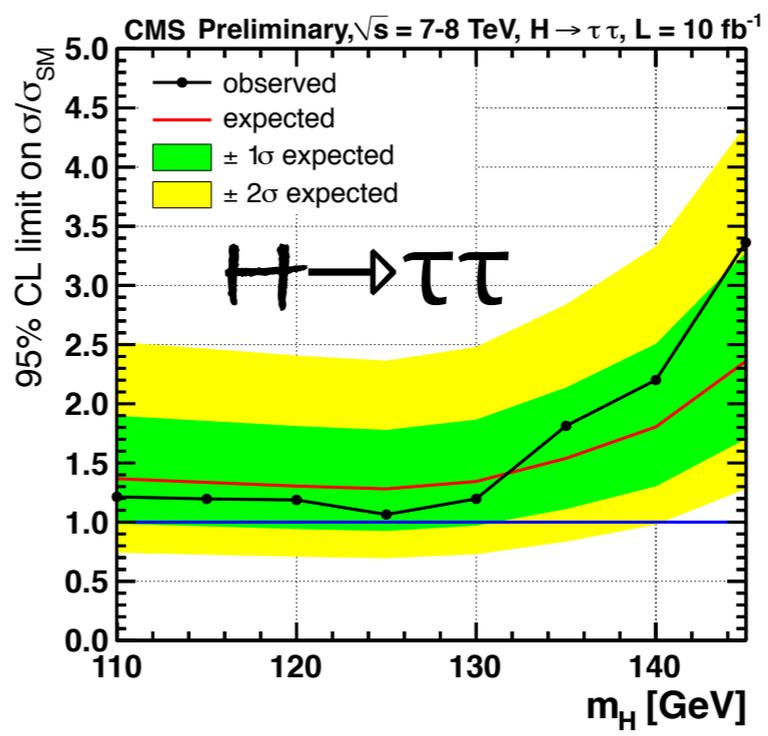
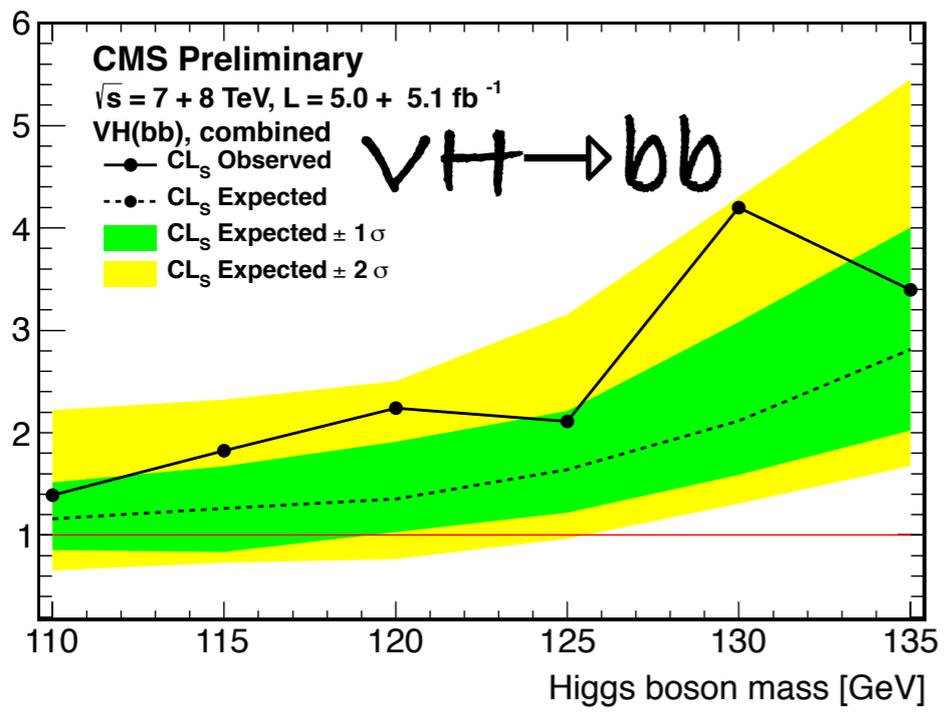


- July 4th revolution: CMS and ATLAS reported the observation of a new boson with mass around 125 consistent with Standard
 - driven by bosonic decay: $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$, $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and supported by $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$
 - what about fermions?

Shown at ICHHEP Jul'12

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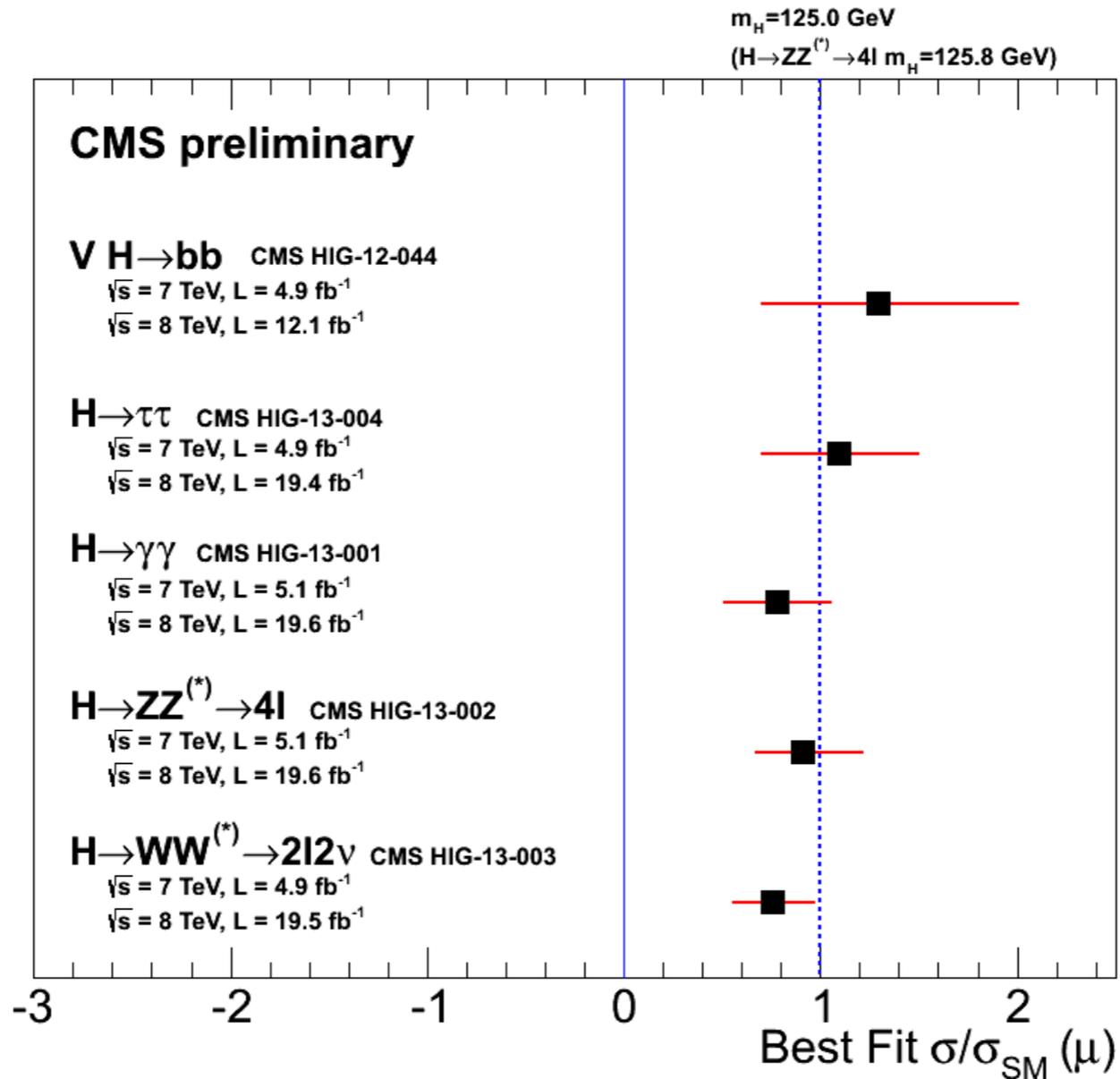
95% Confidence level exclusion of σ/σ_{SM}



- Sensitivity at that time not yet at the level of SM
- Compatible with either background or signal from a 125 GeV Higgs
- Analysis have been updated since then with more data and new techniques

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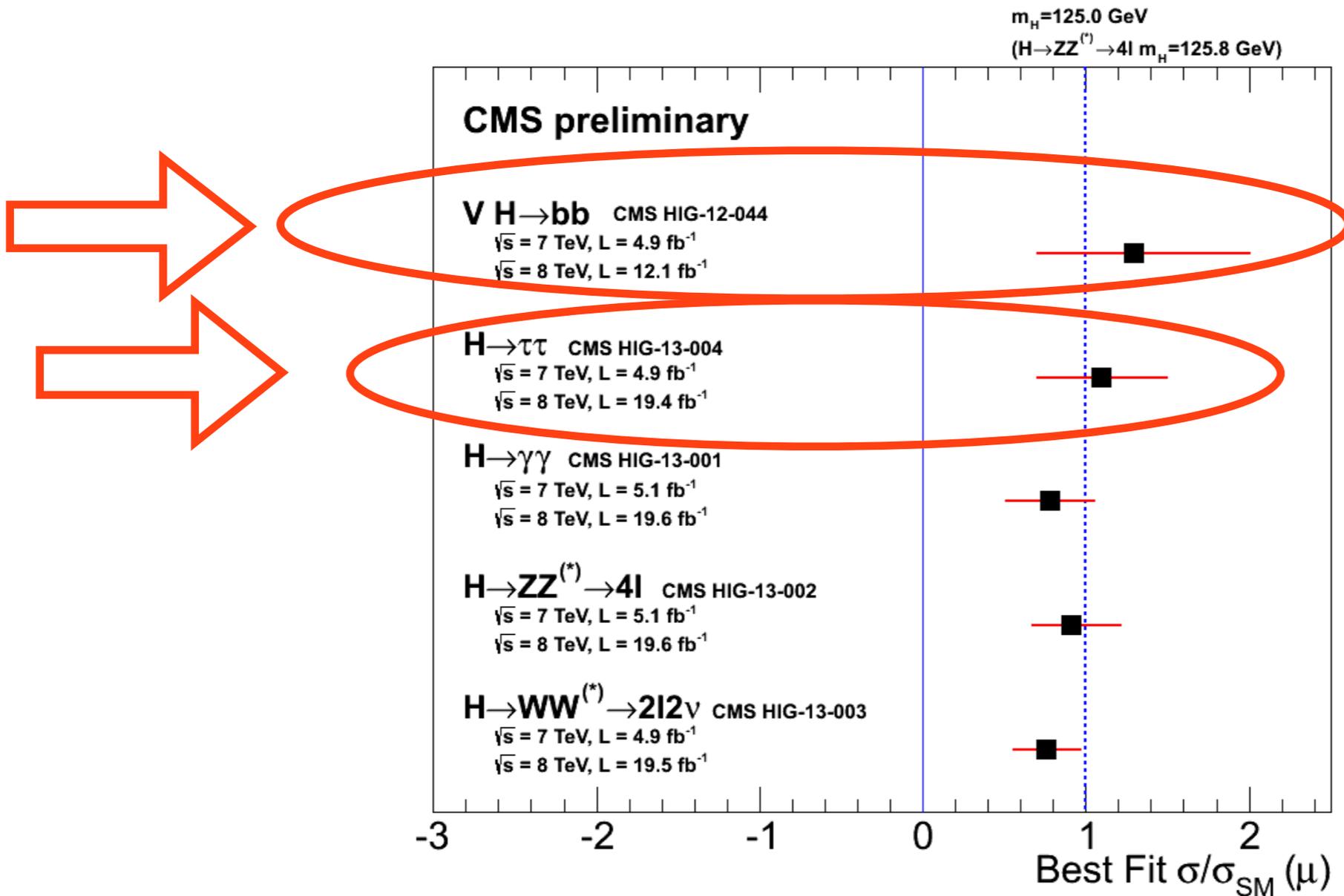
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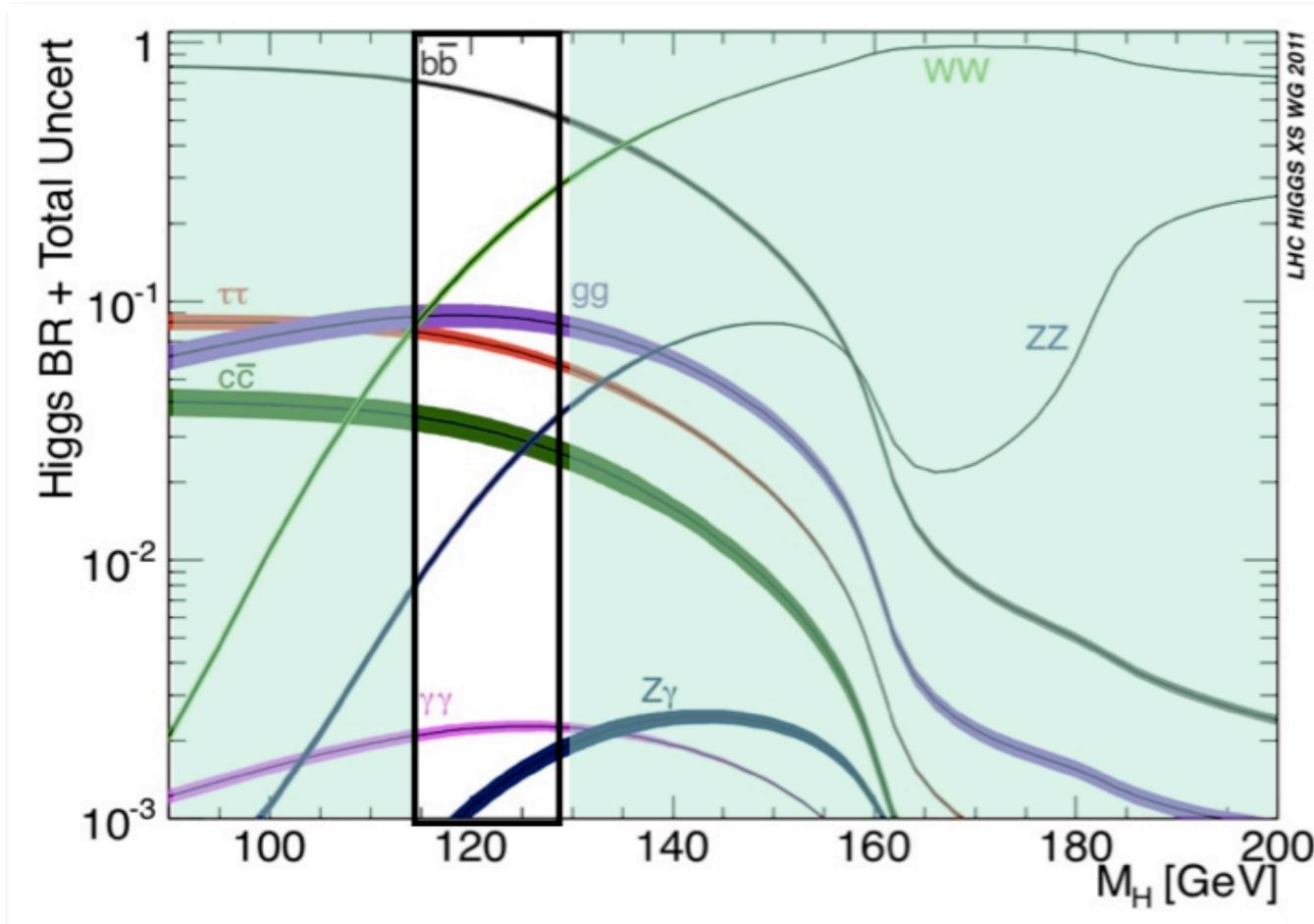
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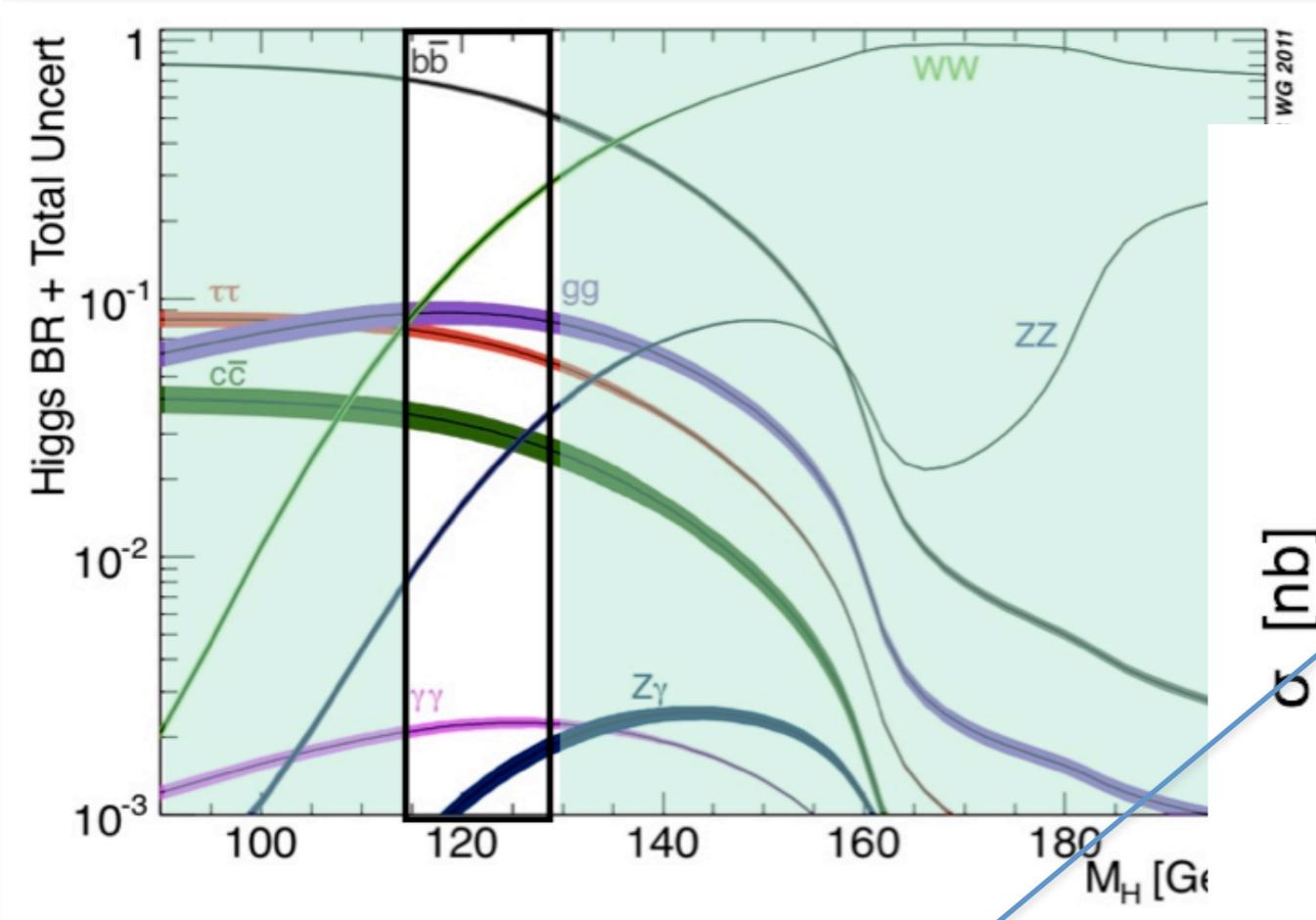
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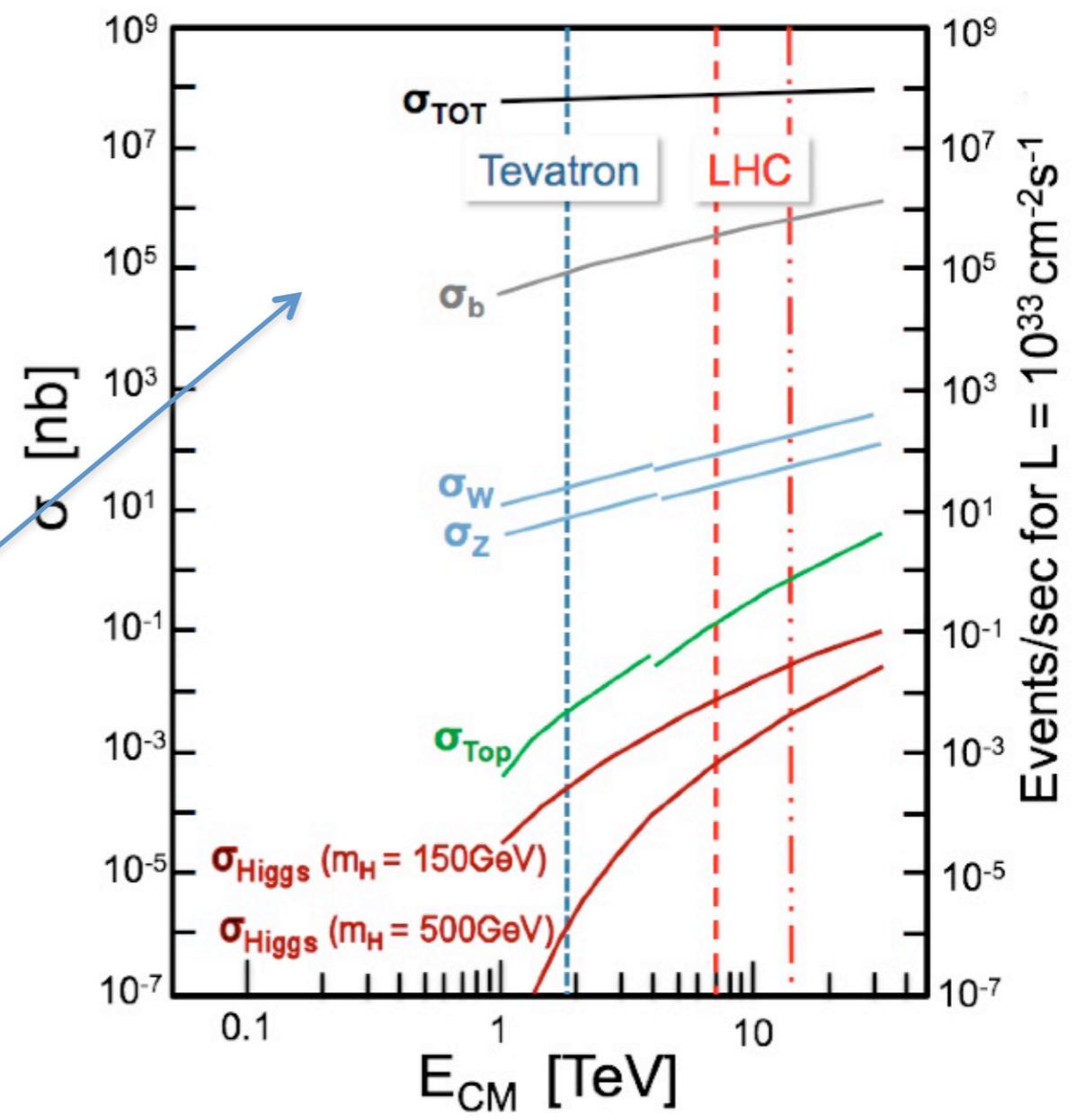
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But $\sigma_{bb}(\text{QCD}) \sim 10^7$
 $\sigma \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow bb)$!



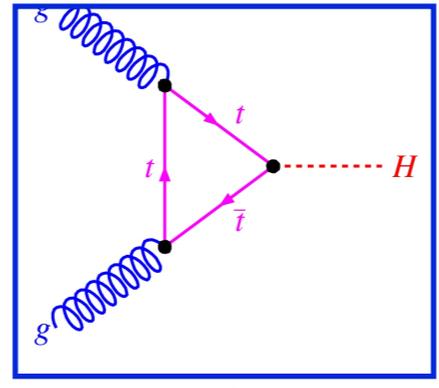
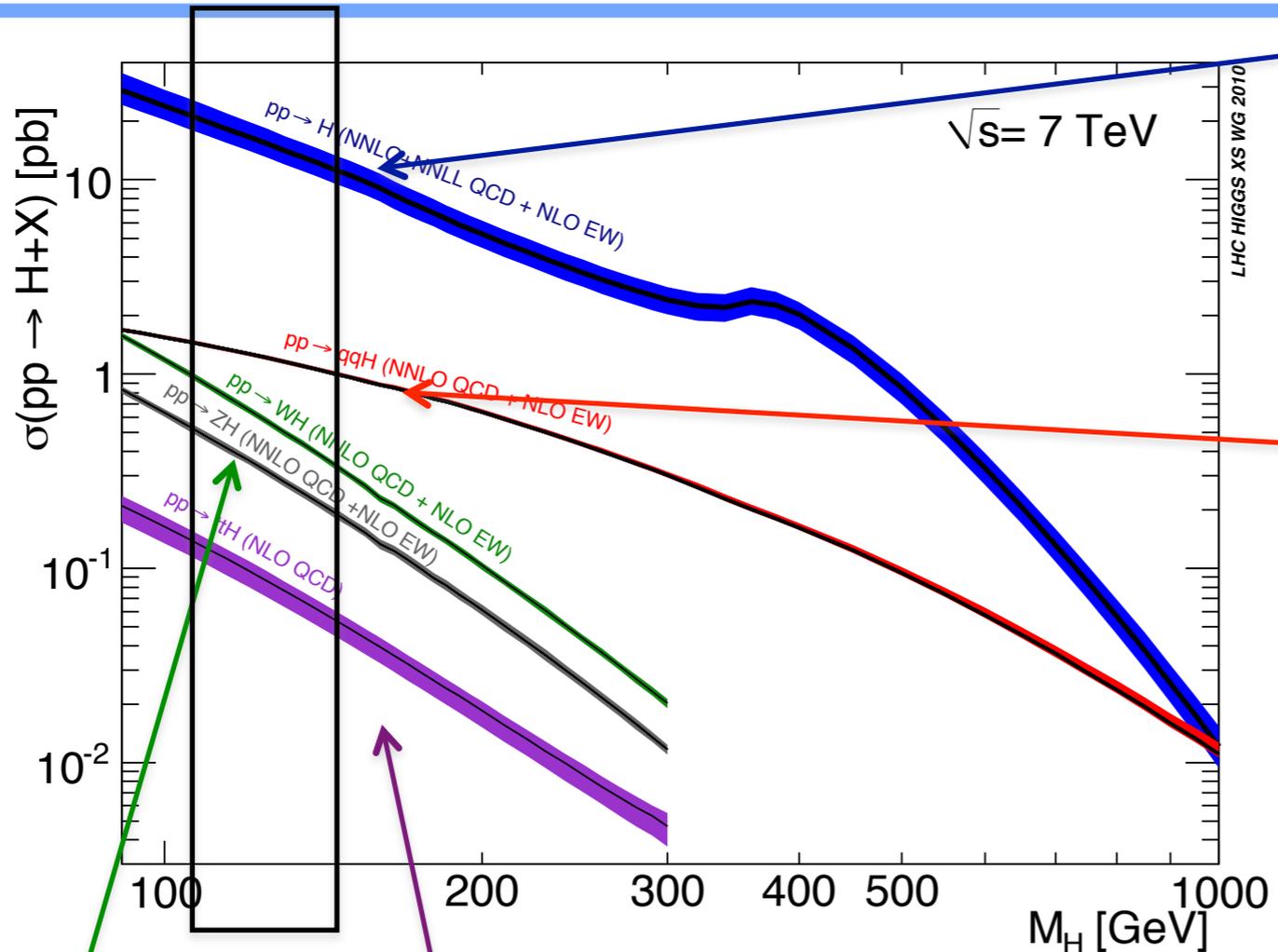
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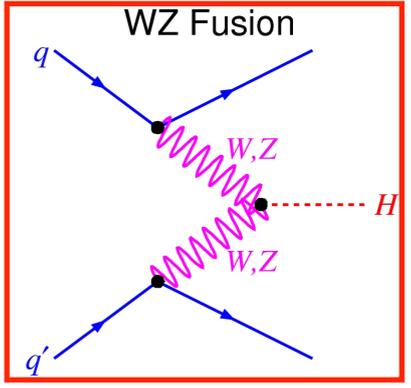
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func($\sigma_{\text{section}} * \text{BR, eff, bkg}$)



g-g fusion



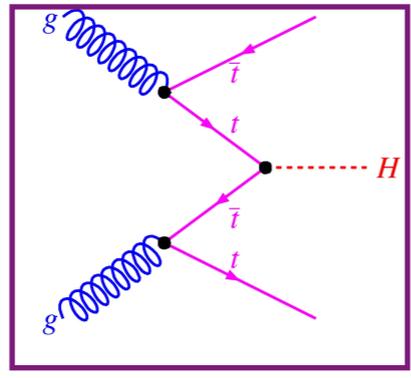
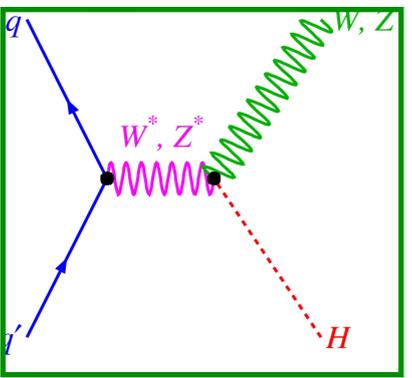
Vector boson fusion

H -> tau tau

- gluon fusion difficult but possible (can use association with jets or go to high pt regime)
- VBF cleaner
- VH also added recently very important for study Higgs properties!

H -> bb

- overwhelming QCD: need to go with associated production,
- VH - can use lepton/MET and topology
 - ttH - even less rate, look at topology, but ttbar bkg well understood



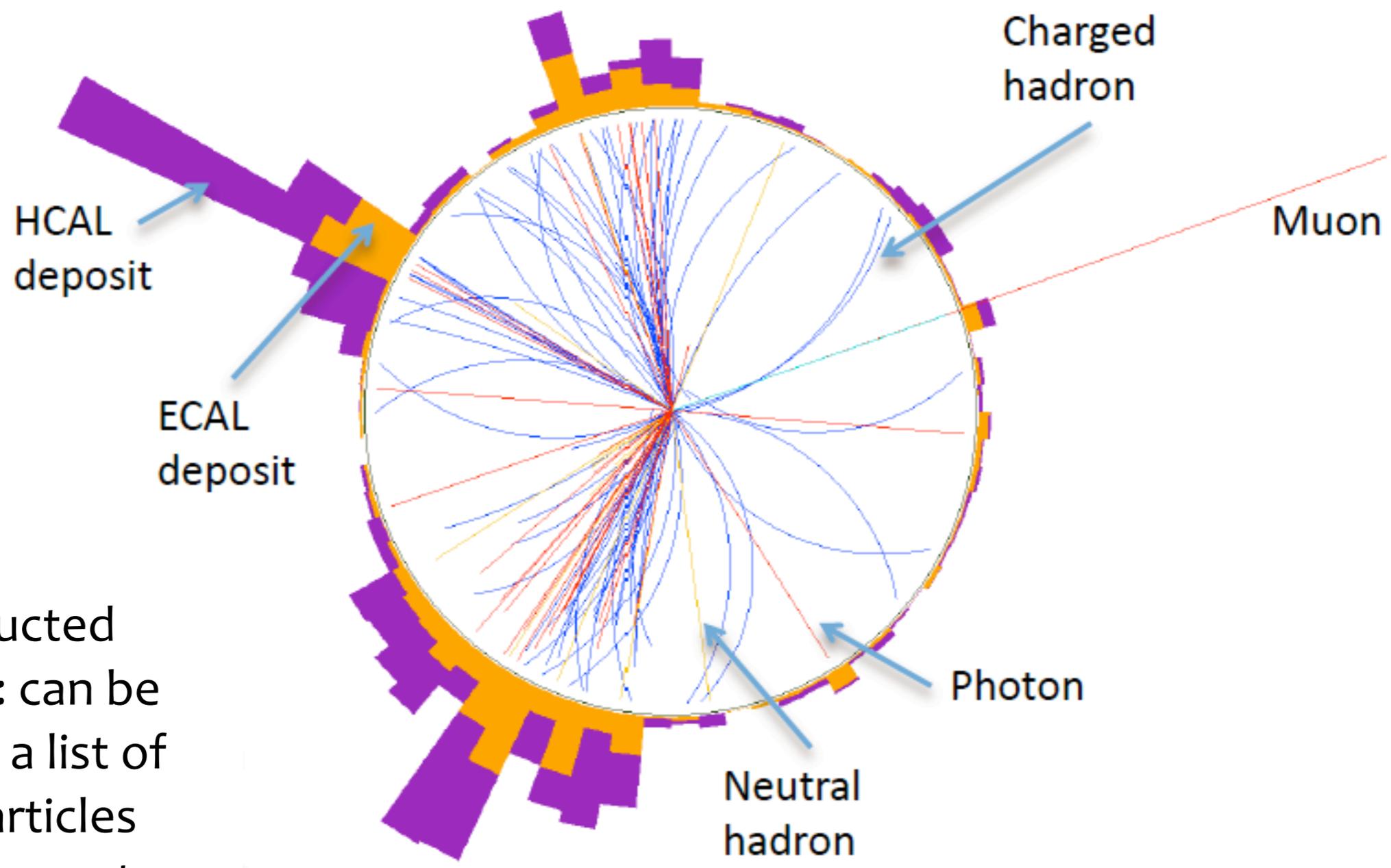
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for maximizing eff and minimize bkg



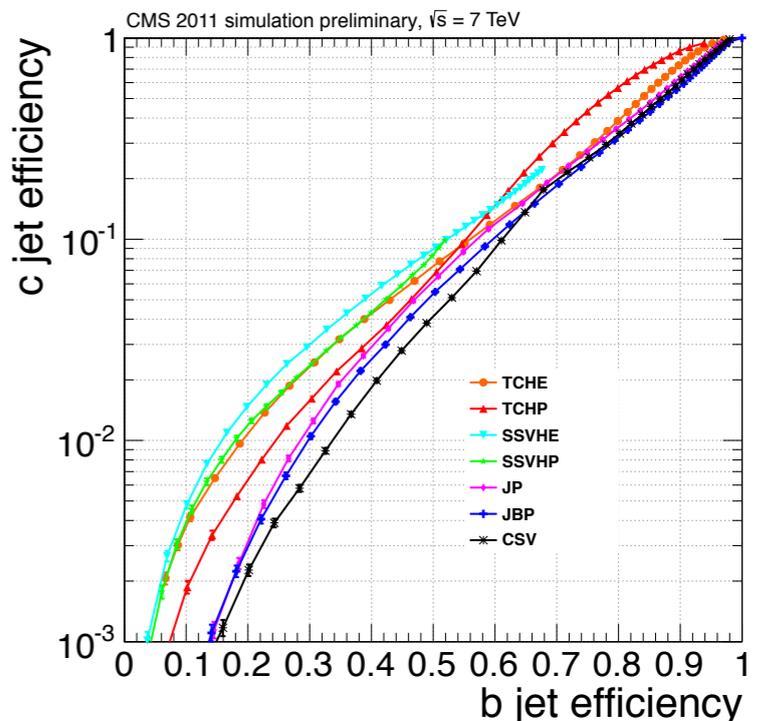
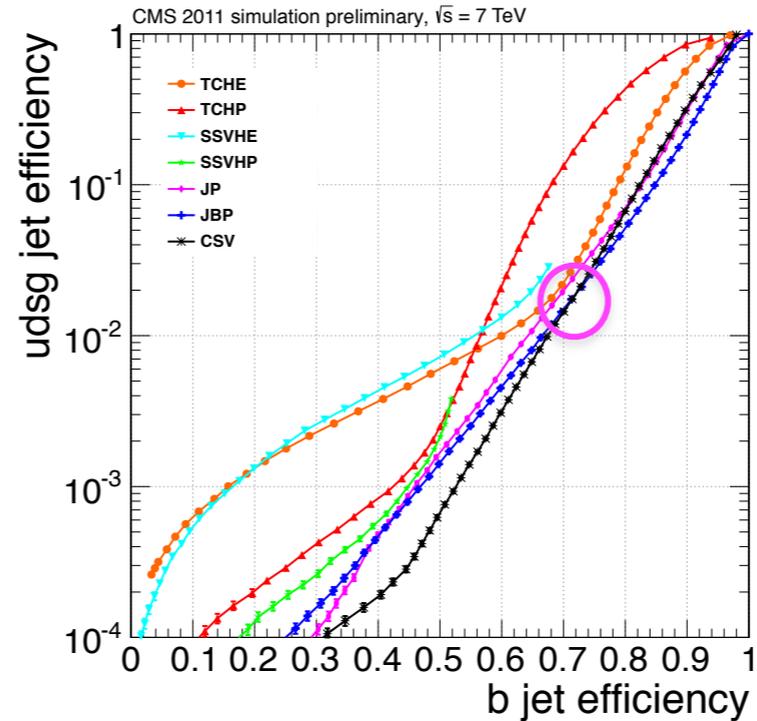
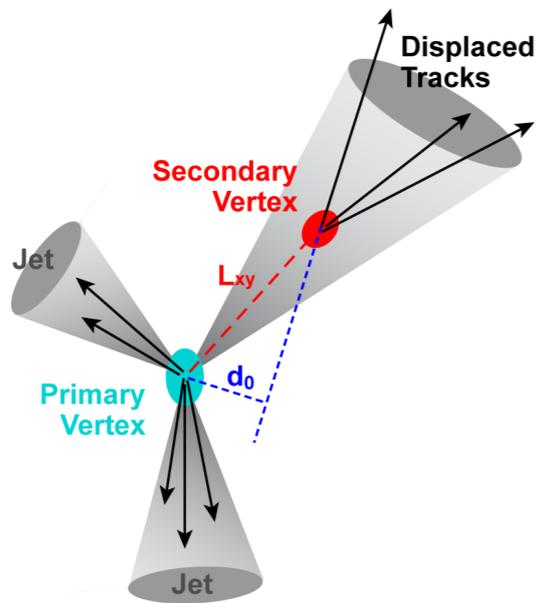
- CMS Particle flow reconstruction



List of reconstructed particles: can be used like a list of stable particles from a generator

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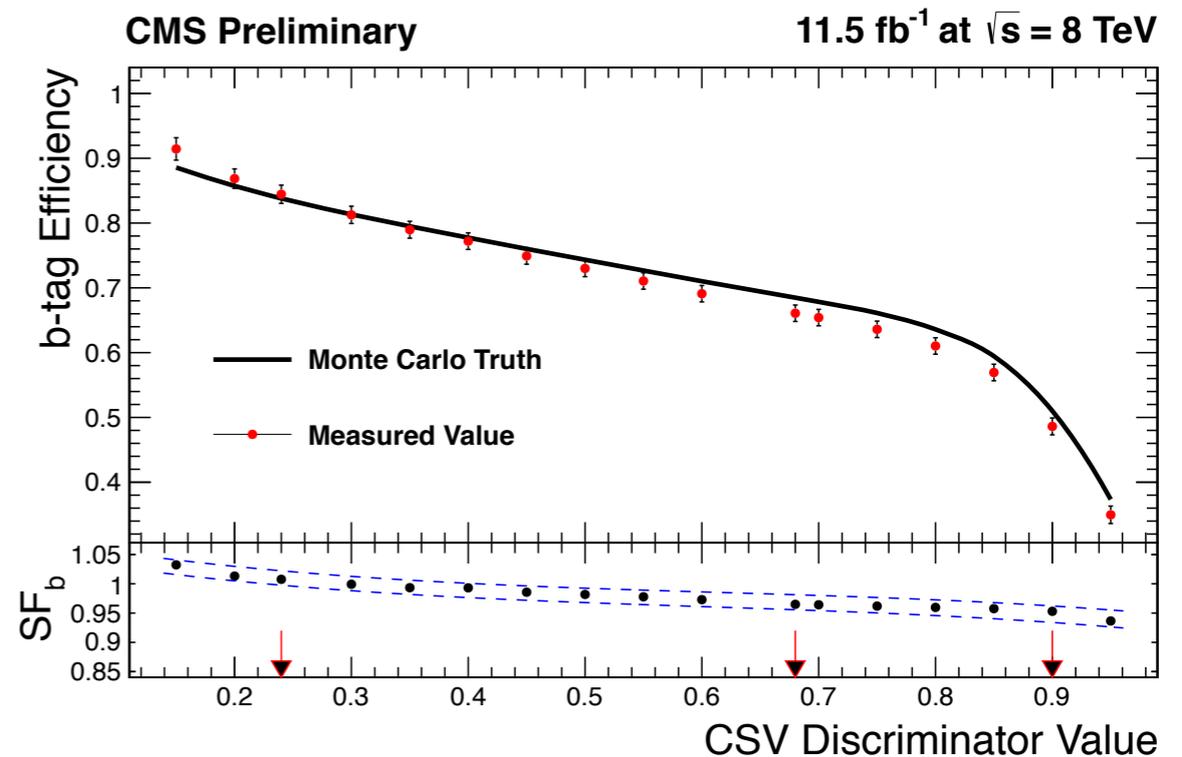
B-jets at CMS



Eff of ~70% for a fake-rate of ~2%

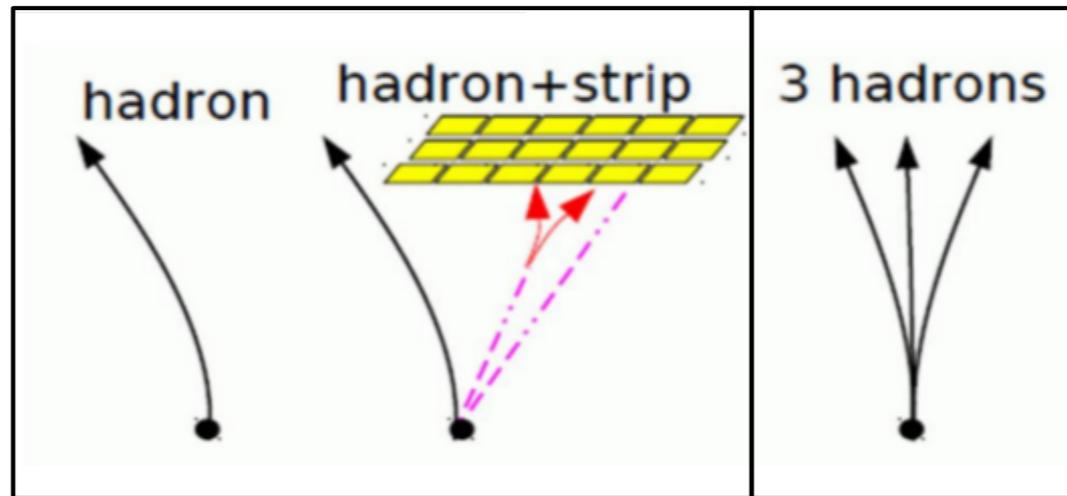
- Many algorithms deployed at CMS
- Best separation from udscg and c jets
 - **CSV**: likelihood tagger using many jet properties: secondary vertex (if any), tracks impact parameters, etc.

eff and fake-rate from $t\bar{t}$ samples and muon plus jets



Hadronic Tau identification:

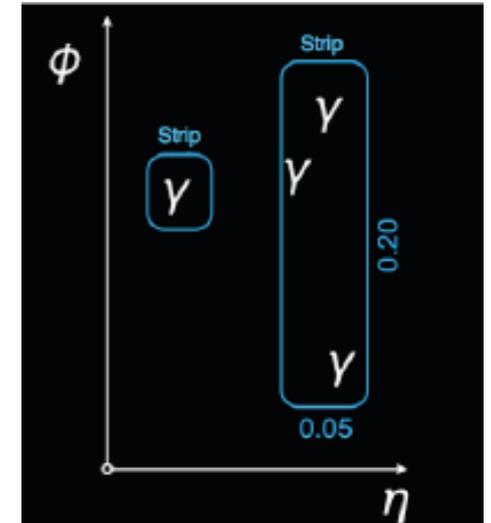
- Reconstruct individual decay modes
- Charged hadrons + electromagnetic obj arranged in strips or single photons



$\tau \rightarrow \pi \nu$

$\tau \rightarrow \rho \nu$

$\tau \rightarrow a_1 \nu$

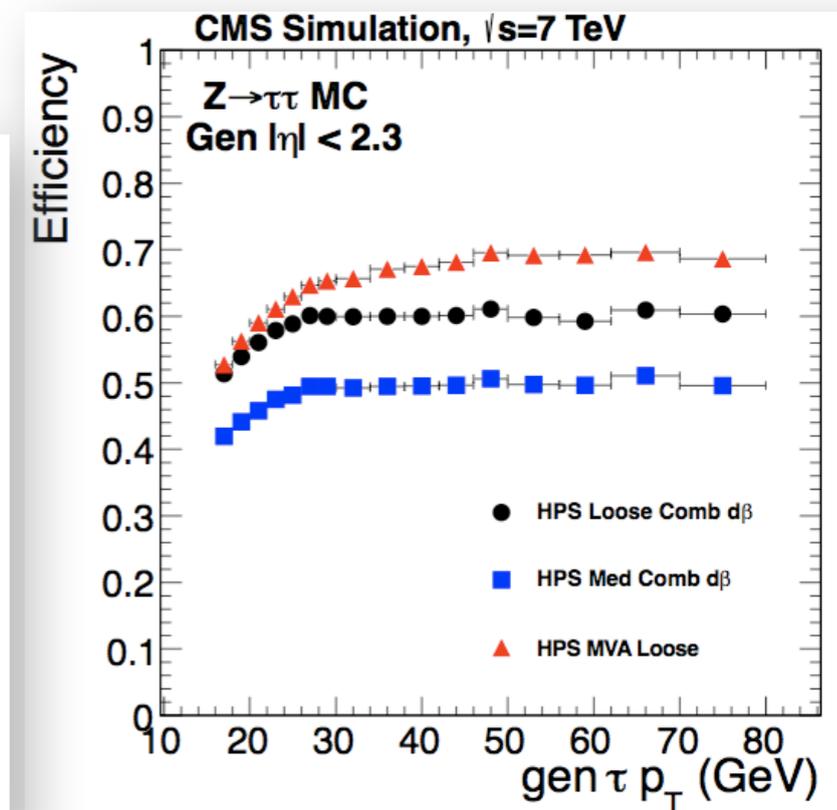
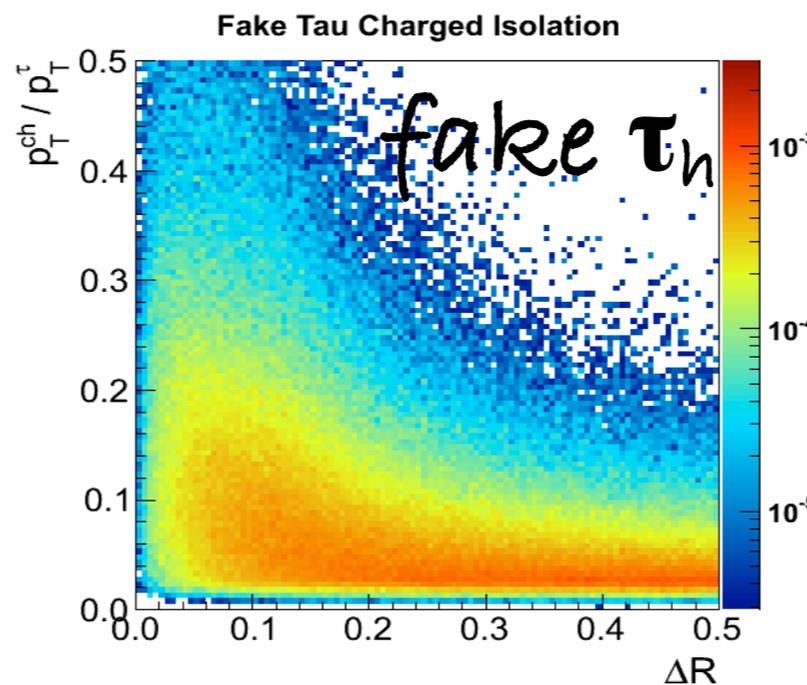
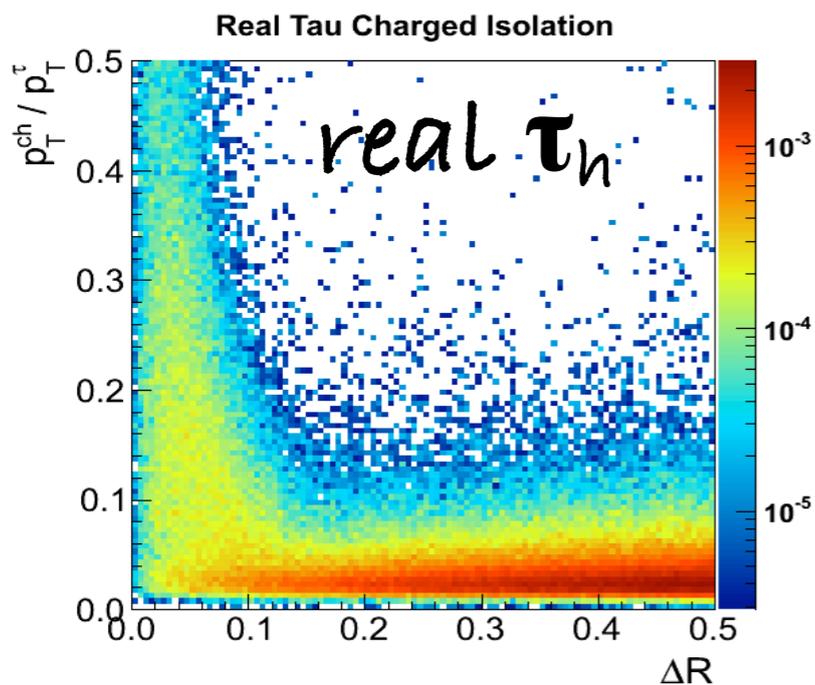


Tau Isolation:

- Multivariate discriminator using sum of energy deposits in dR rings around the tau (from 0.1 to 0.5)

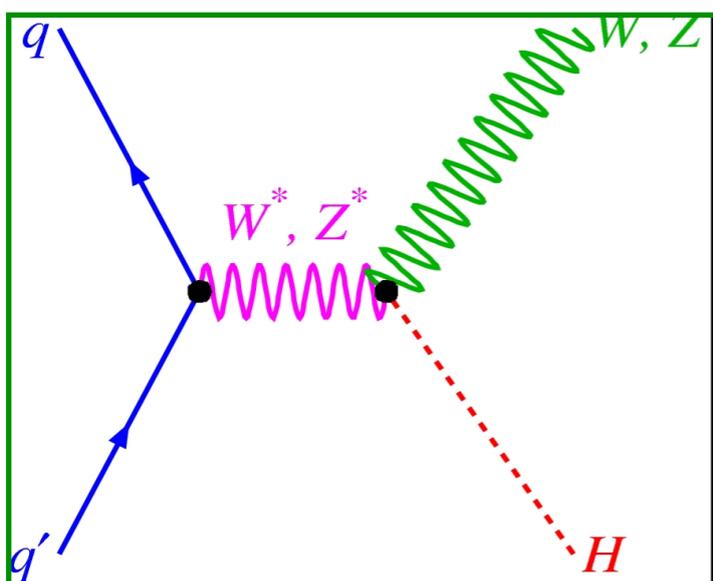
eff ~62% for a fake rate of ~6%

$\sum p_t$ (charged hadron) $p_{t\tau}$ vs DR



SM Higgs search





$$\underline{VH \rightarrow Vbb}$$

$$\underline{V \rightarrow l\nu, ll, \nu\nu}$$

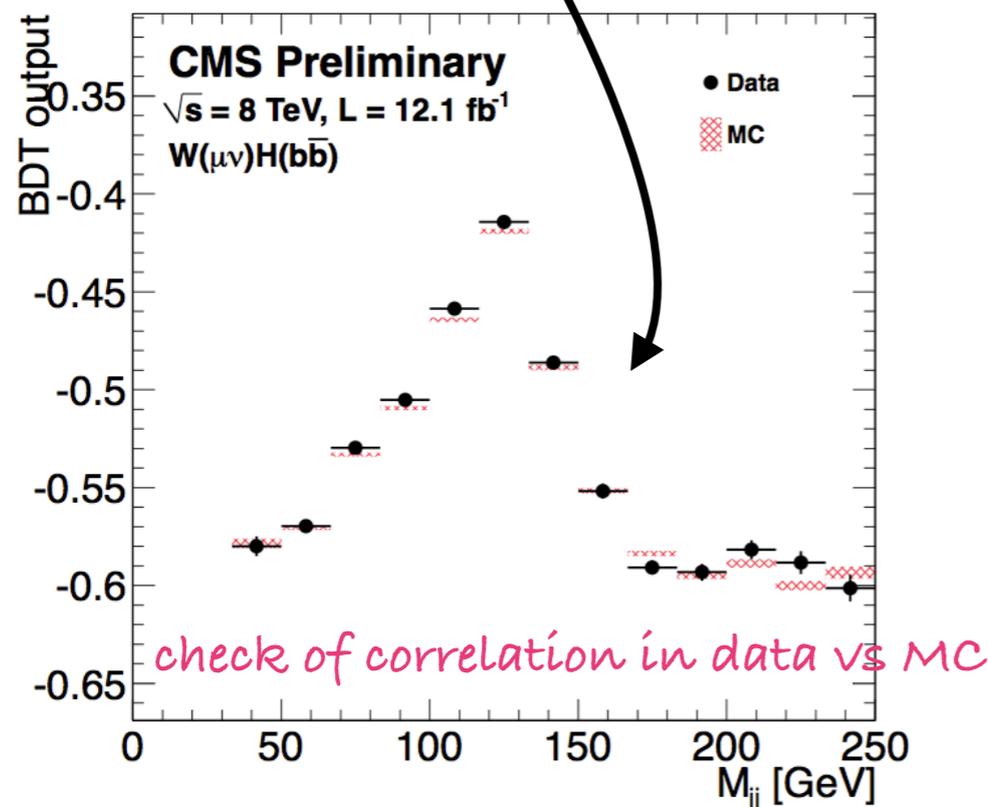
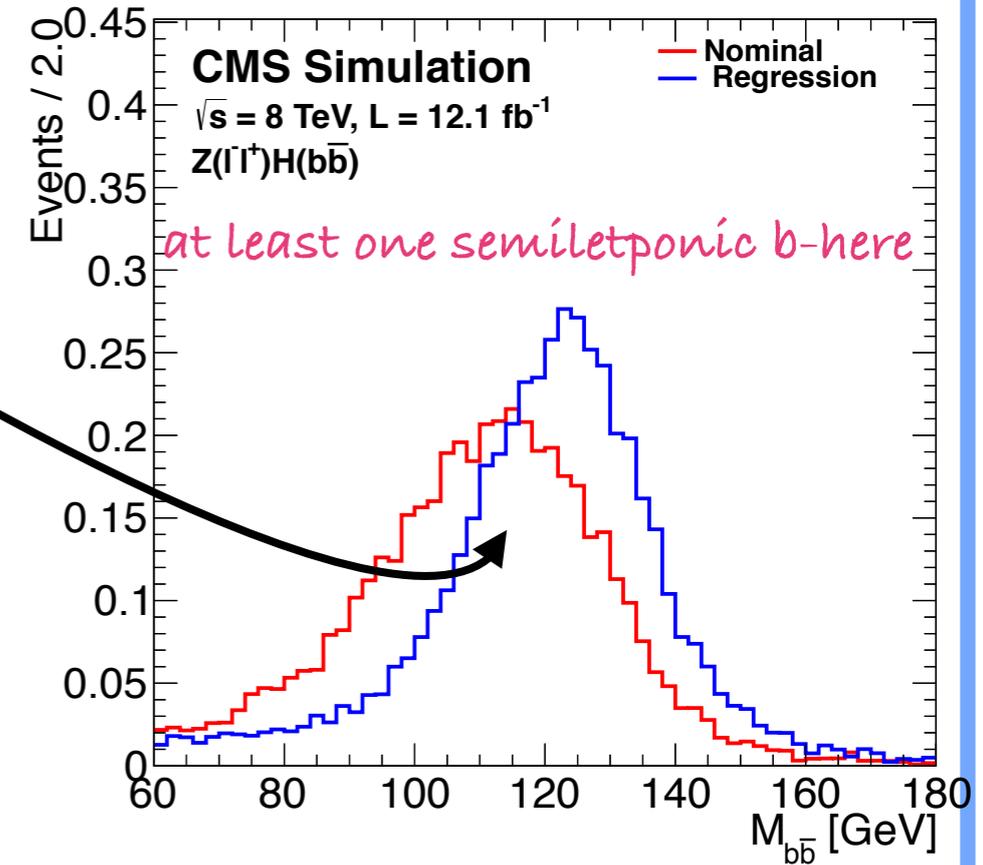
Most sensitive channel with b as final state, also interesting to compare with Tevatron results



H -> bb further ingredients



- Main backgrounds (V+jets, tt^{bar}) normalized from data control regions to signal region
- b-jet energy regression to improve jet pt and hence mass
- Discriminate signal from bkg using
 - categorization in pt bins
 - Boosted Decision trees (BDTs)



No update since HCP'12

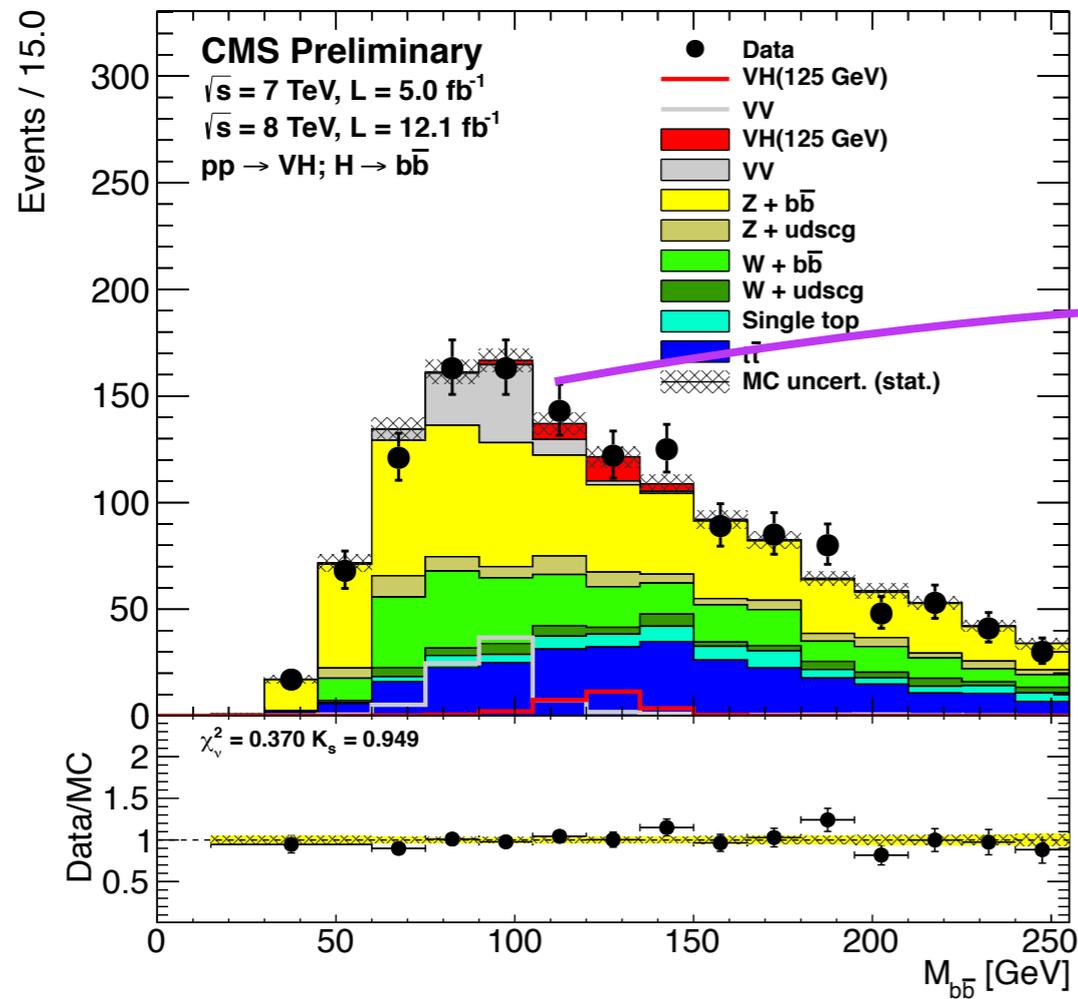
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5 fb ⁻¹	12 fb ⁻¹



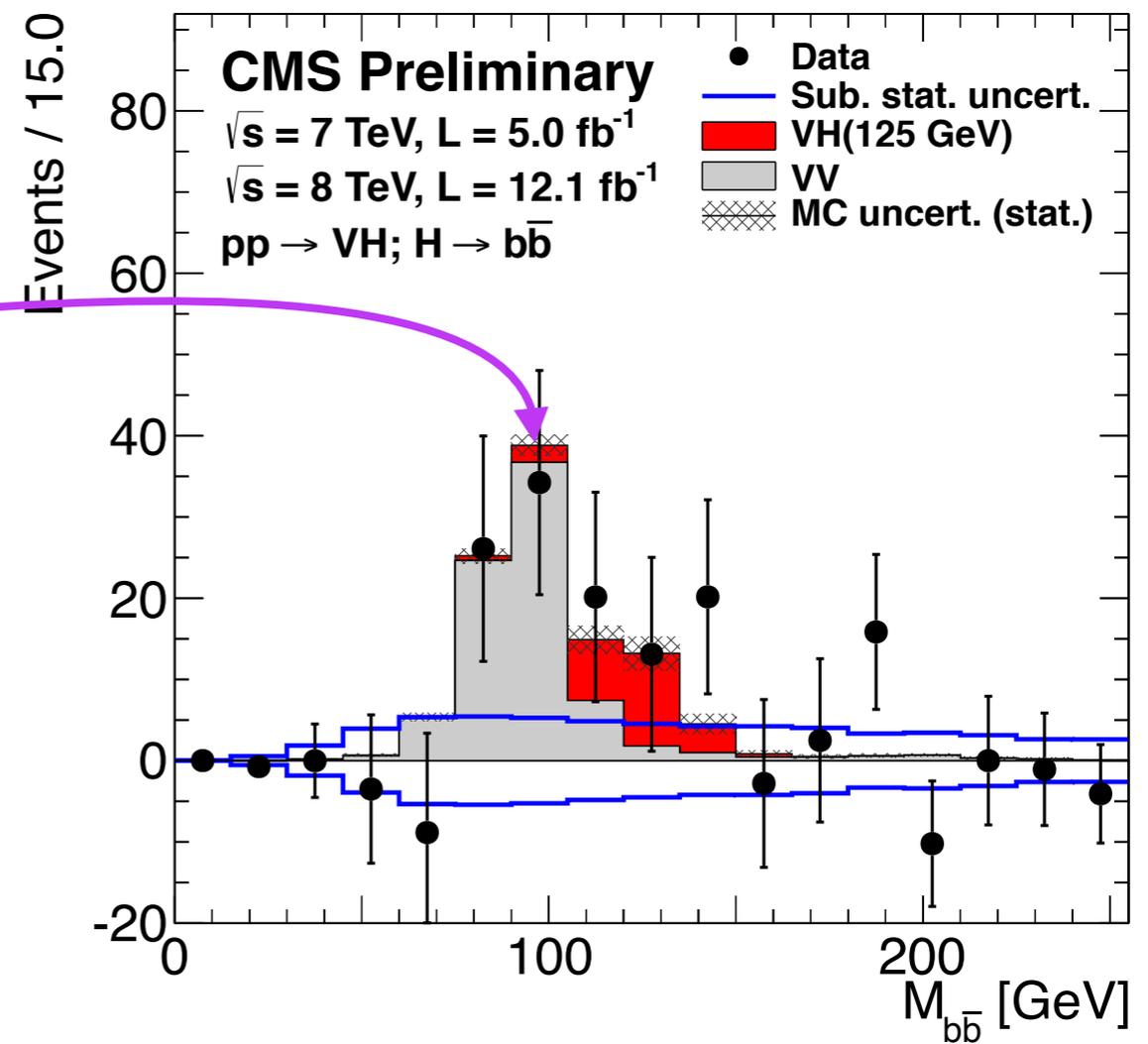
H -> bb M_{bb} distribution



all channels



bkg except vv subtracted



- Tighter selection than used in BDT analysis
- consistent with diboson expectation + small excess in signal region

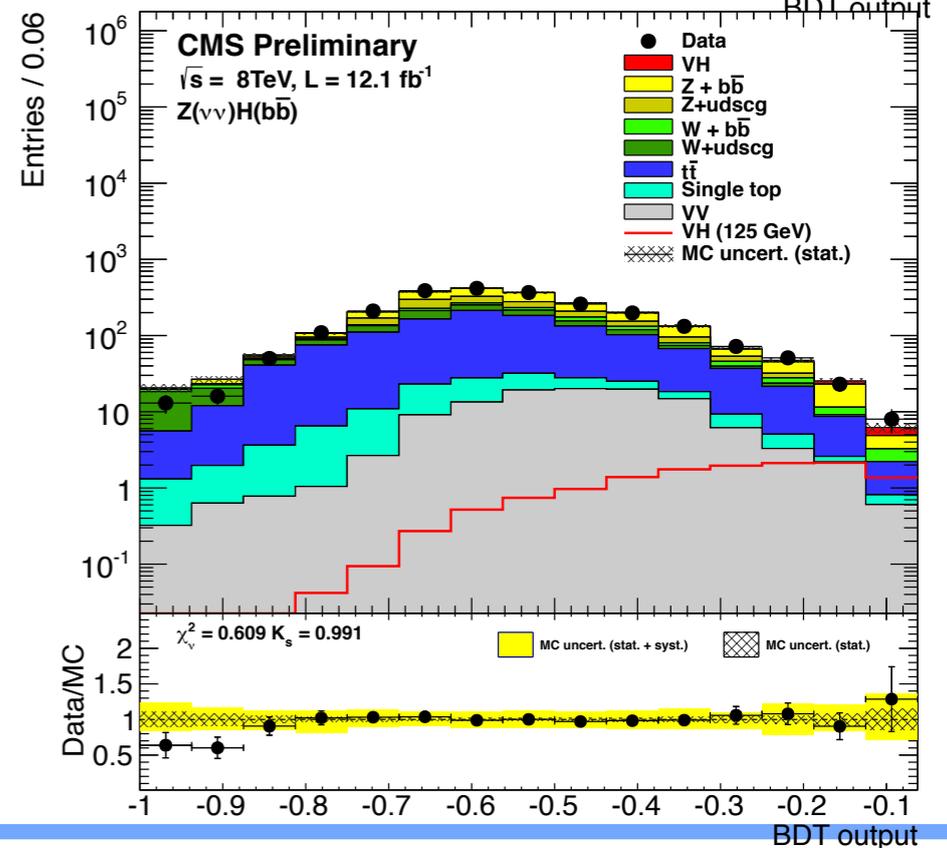
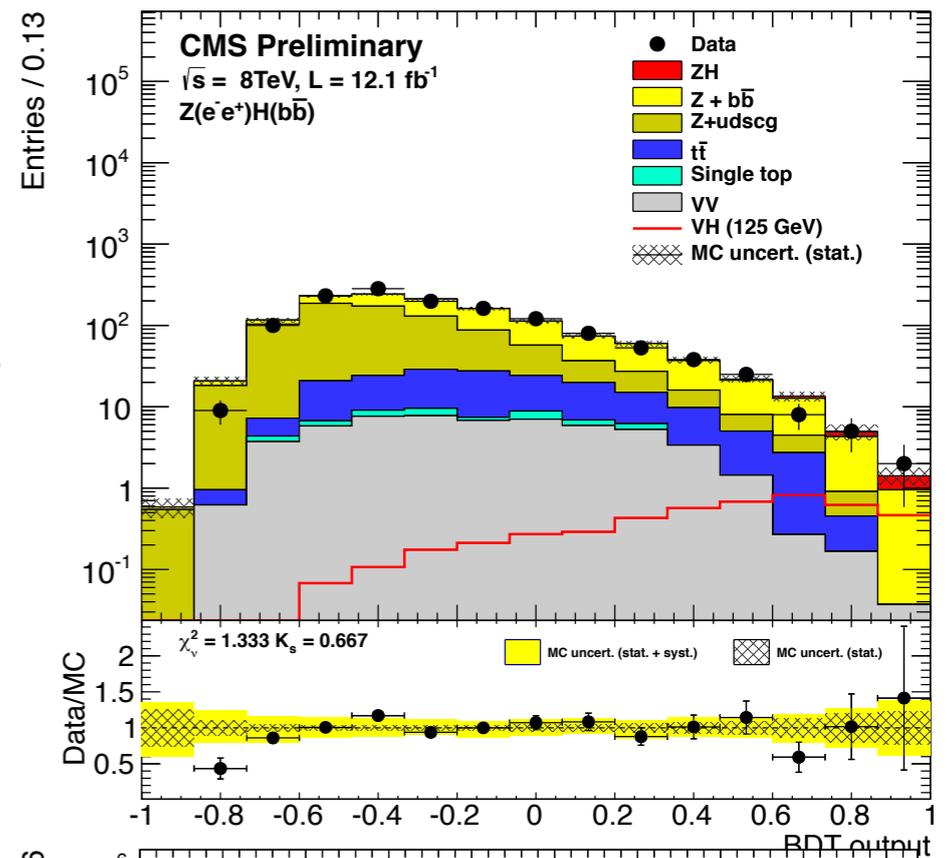
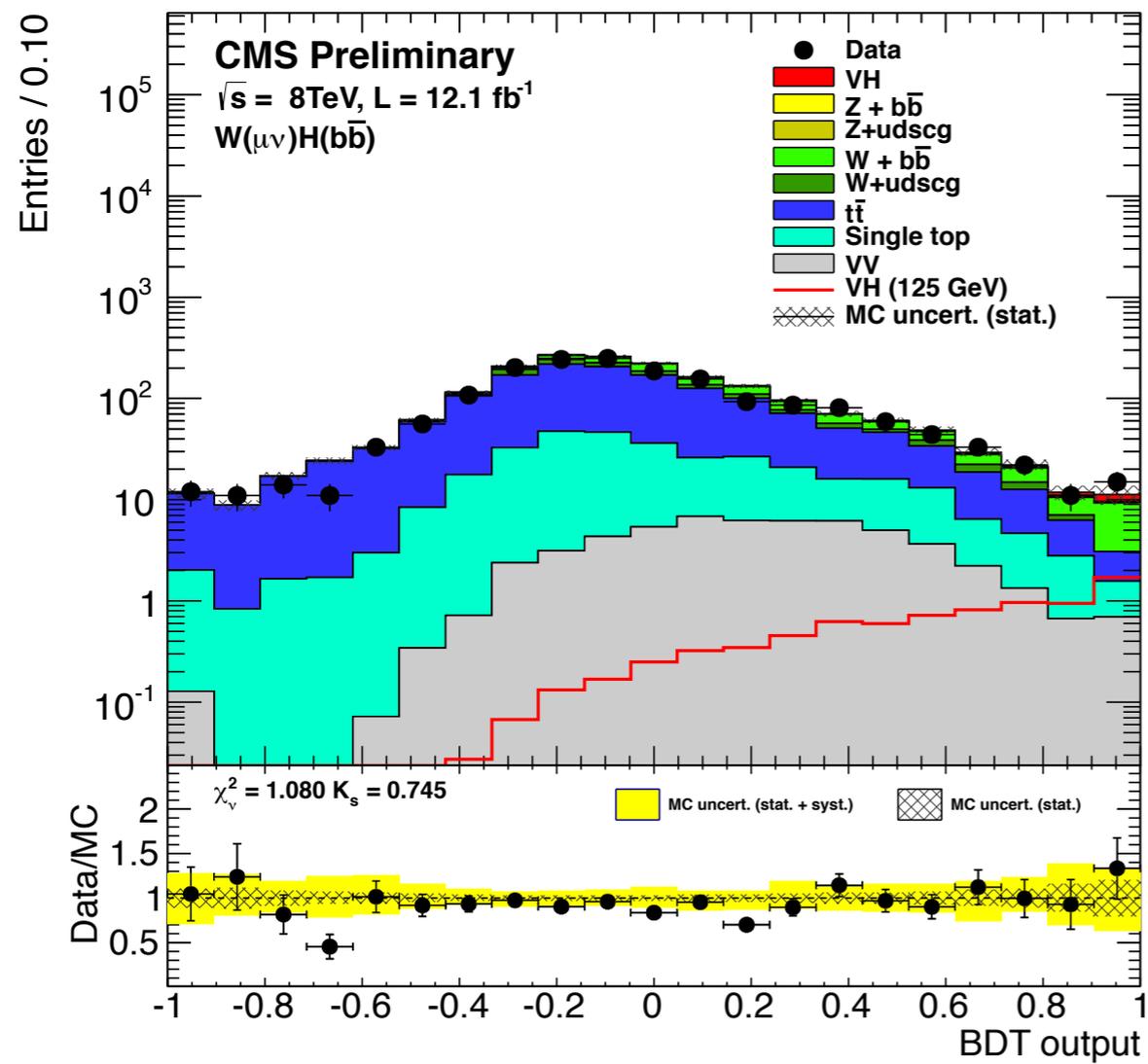


H -> bb

BDT analysis



- Fit to BDT gives 20% improvements on mass fit
- using kinematics, b-tag, angles as inputs
- categorize into low-high Vpt + high Vpt with looser b-tag for some channels



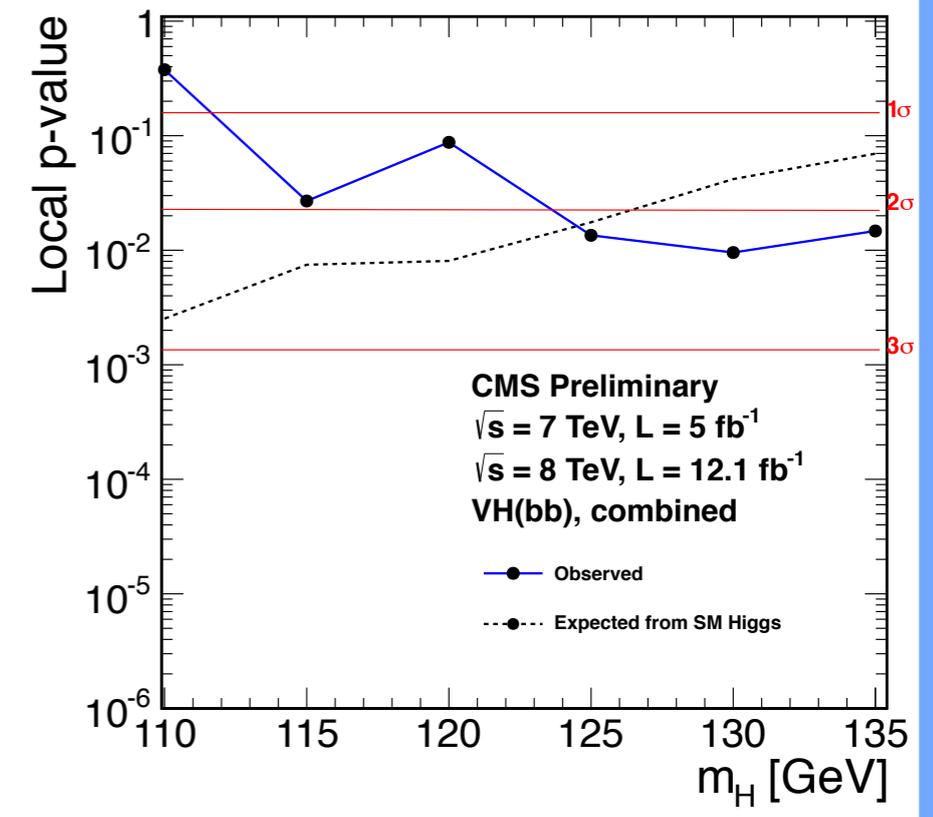
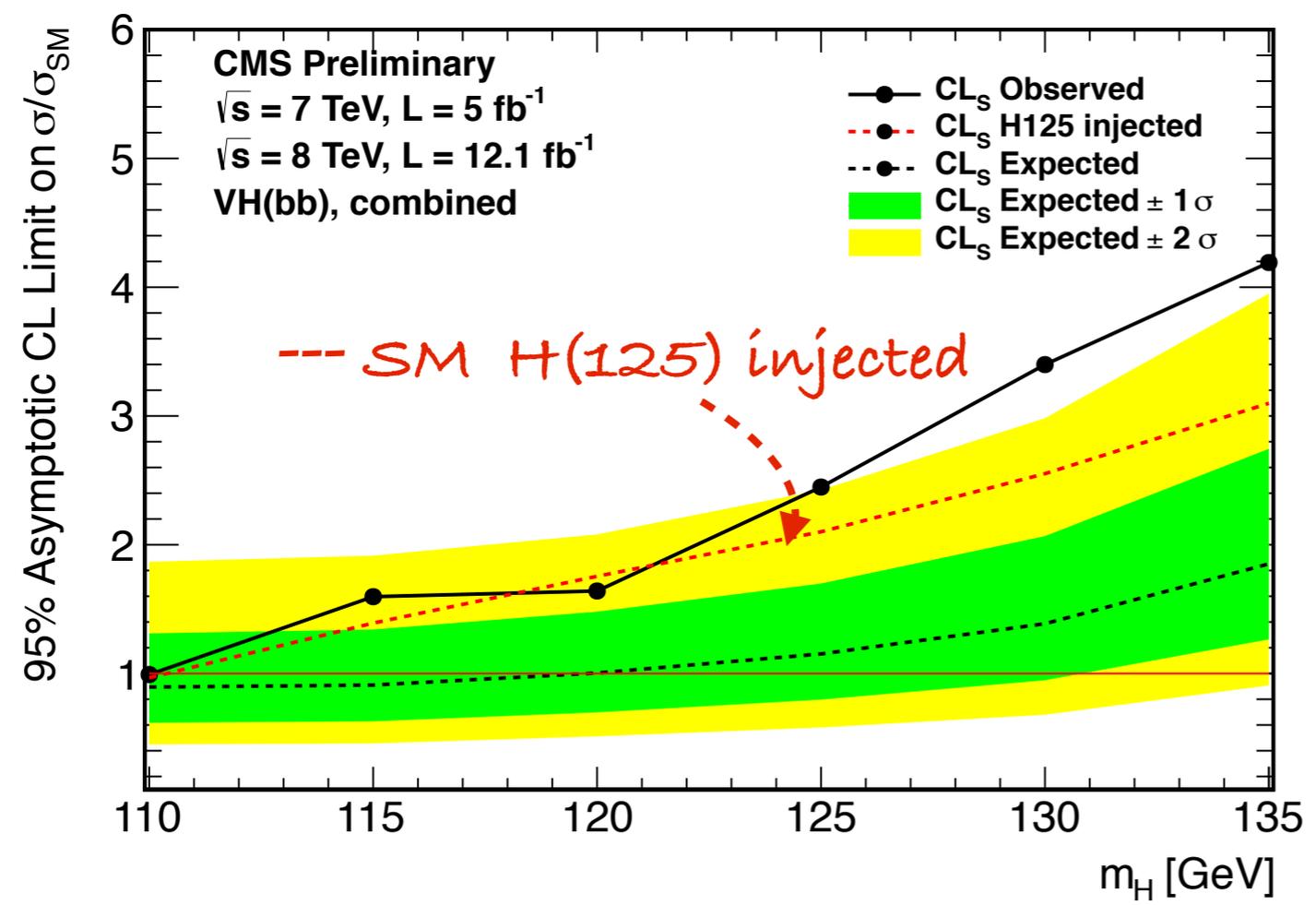
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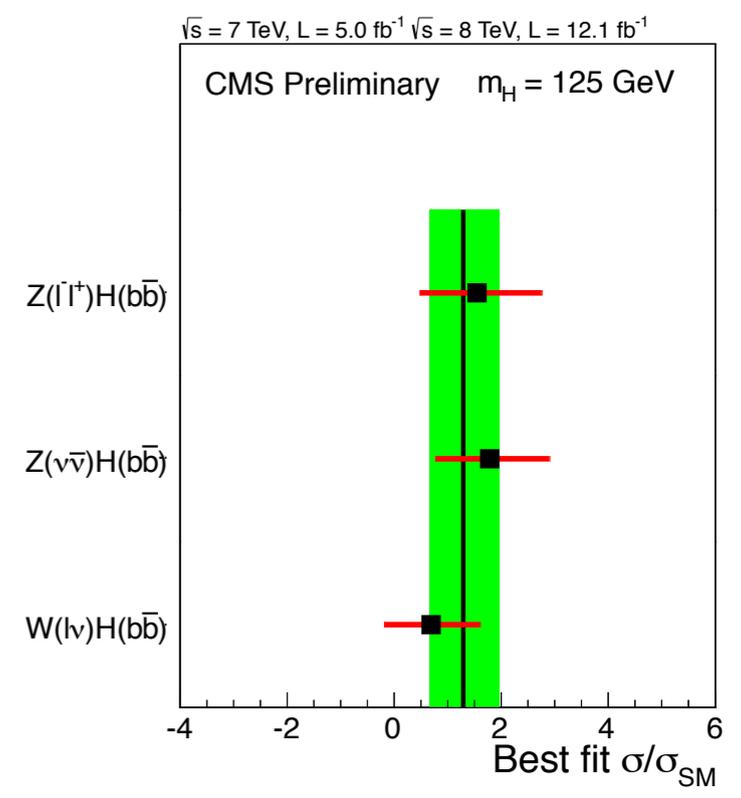
H -> bb Results



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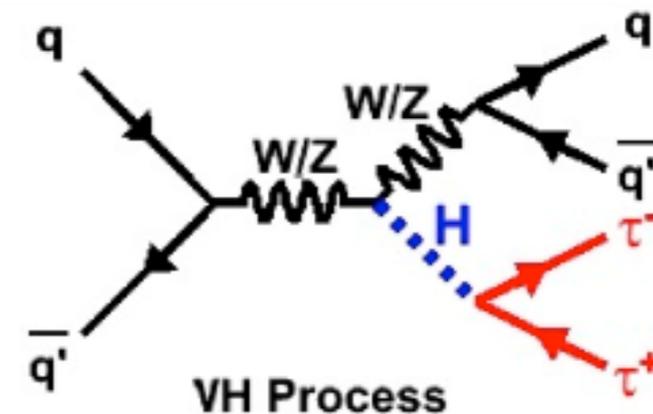
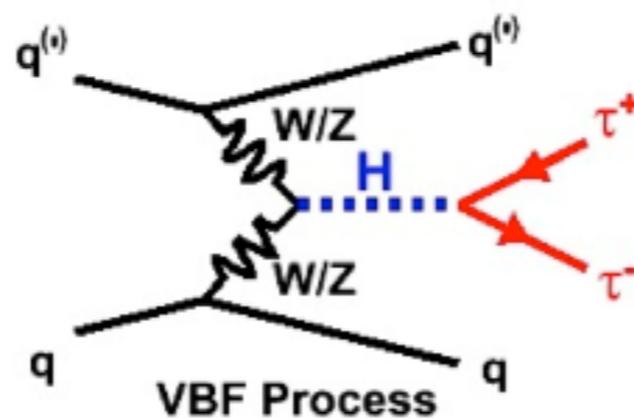
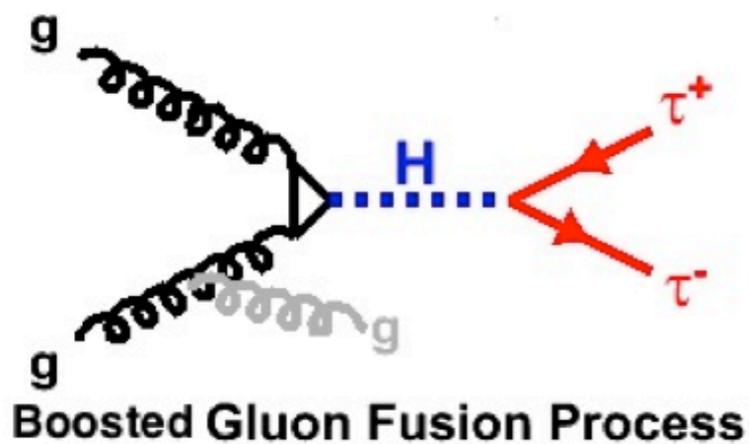
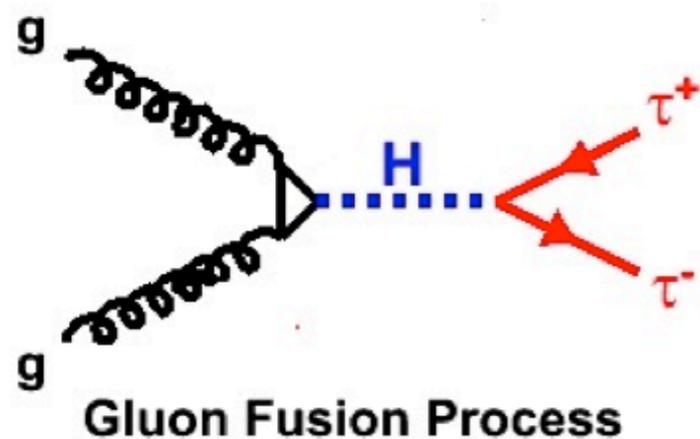


- Observed (expected) limit of 2.5(1.2)xSM at 125 GeV
- Observed (expected) local significance of 2.2 σ (2.1 σ) for $m_H=125$ GeV
- Combined best-fit $\mu=1.3^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$



$H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow \mu\tau_h, e\tau_h, e\mu, \mu\mu$

- Sensitive to all production modes
- Probes coupling to leptons
- Enhanced $\sigma \times \text{BR}$ in MSSM





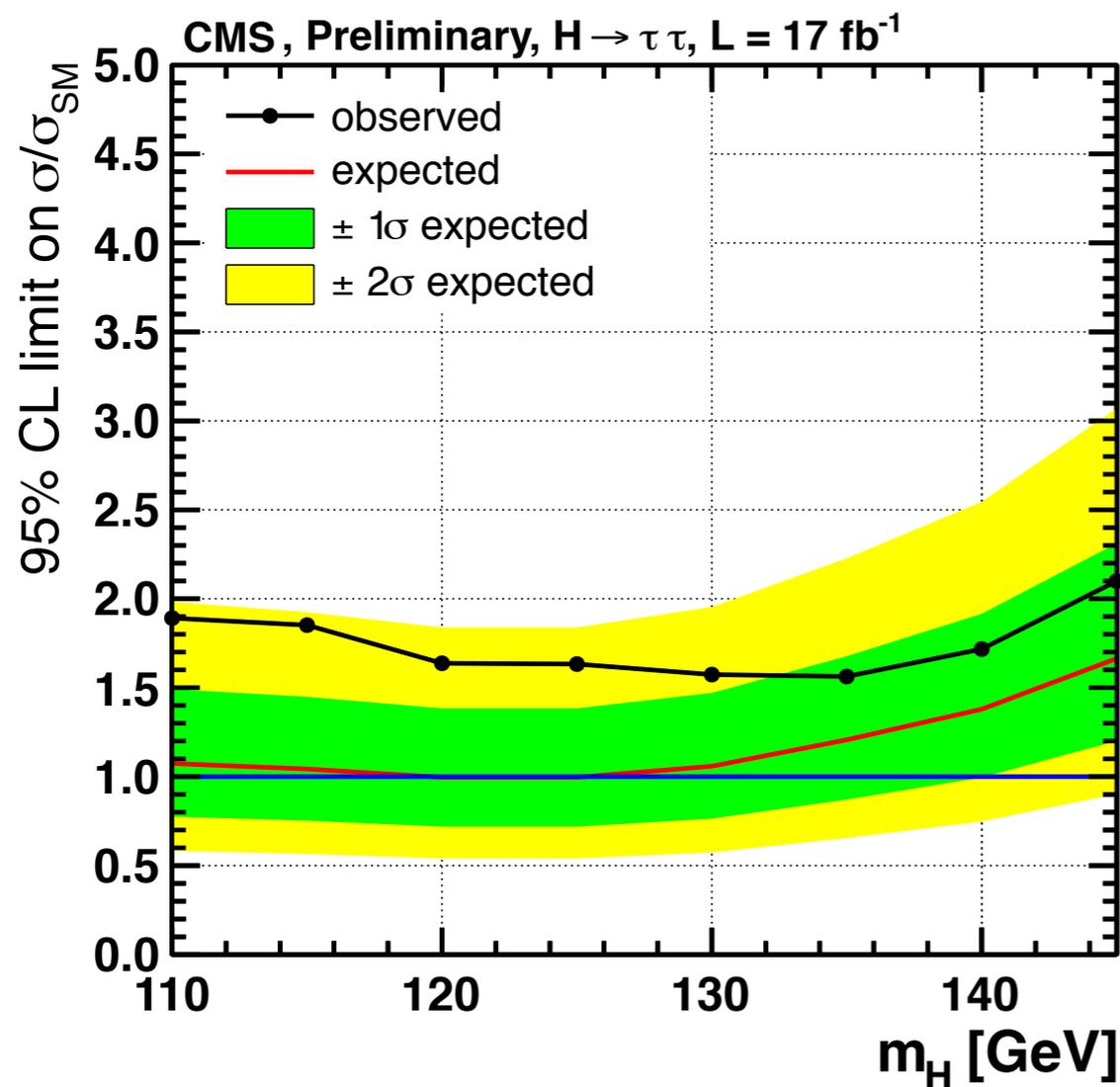
H \rightarrow $\tau\tau$

post-ICHEP



- Last but one public results (the first after iCHEP show)

HIG-12-043



All channels combined,
Best fit $\mu=0.7\pm0.5$

Sensitivity improves thanks to:

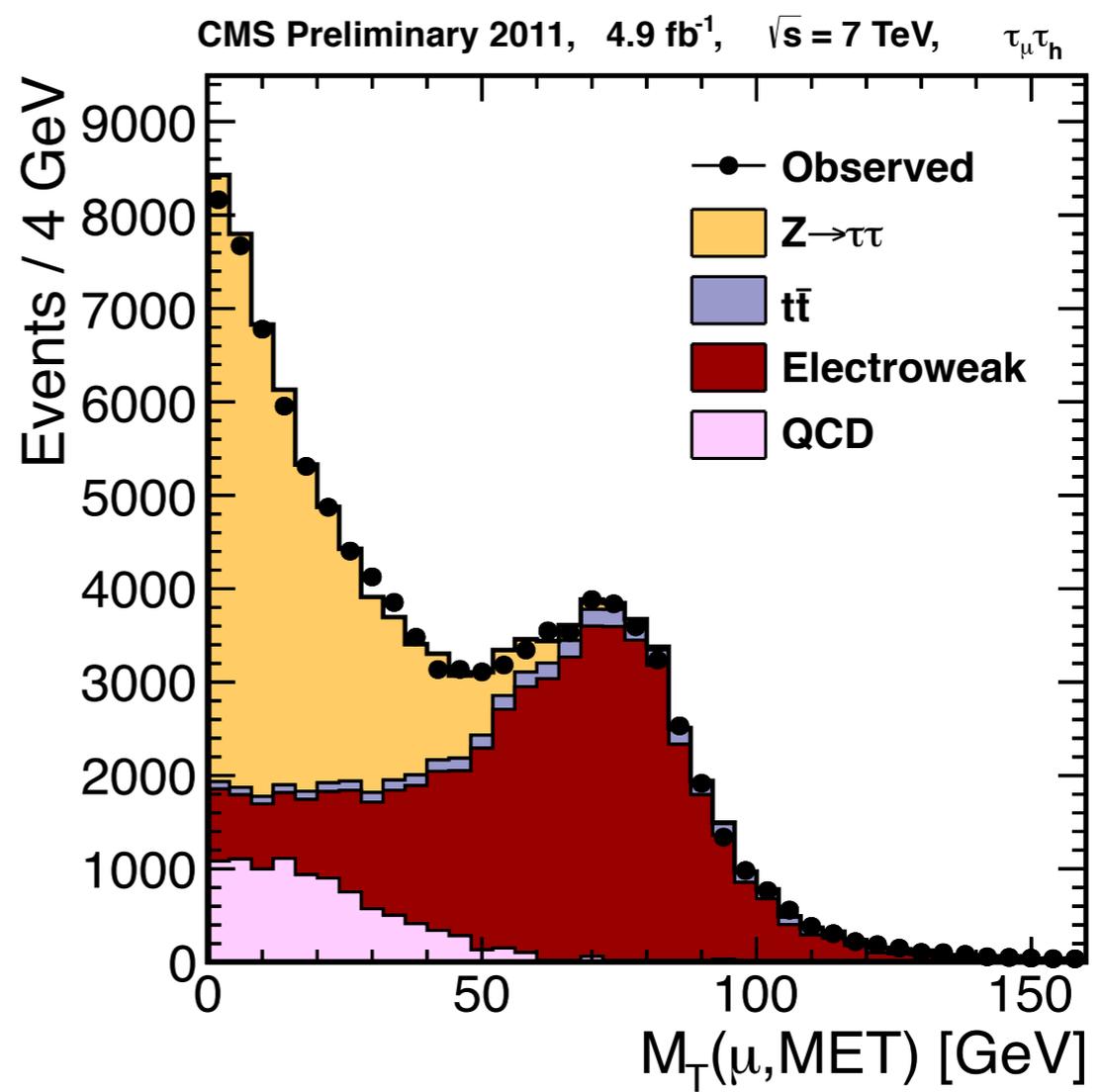
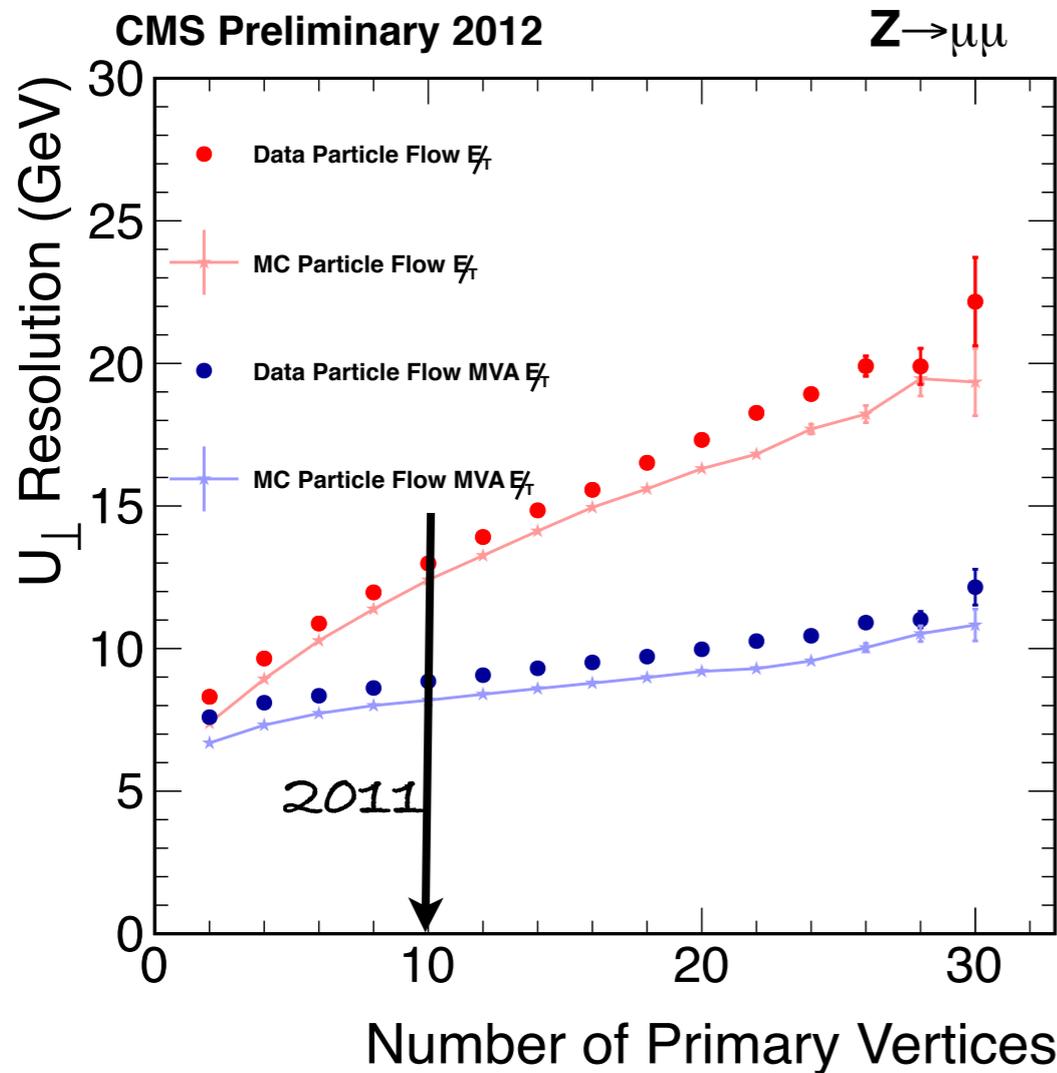
- addition of events
- revised MET reconstruction
- optimization of selections (<50% overlap with previous analysis for same data period)



H -> ττ MVA MET regression



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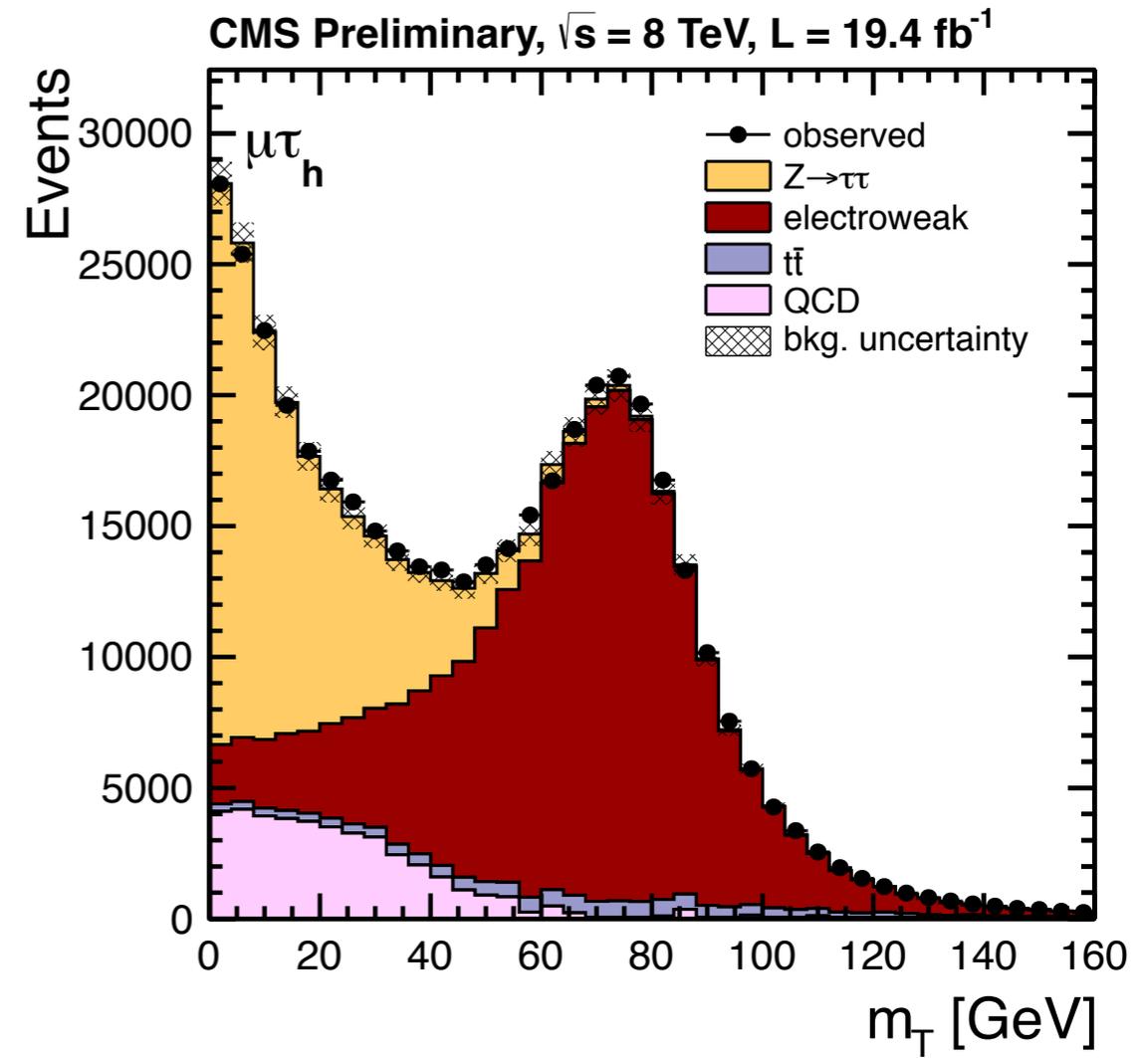
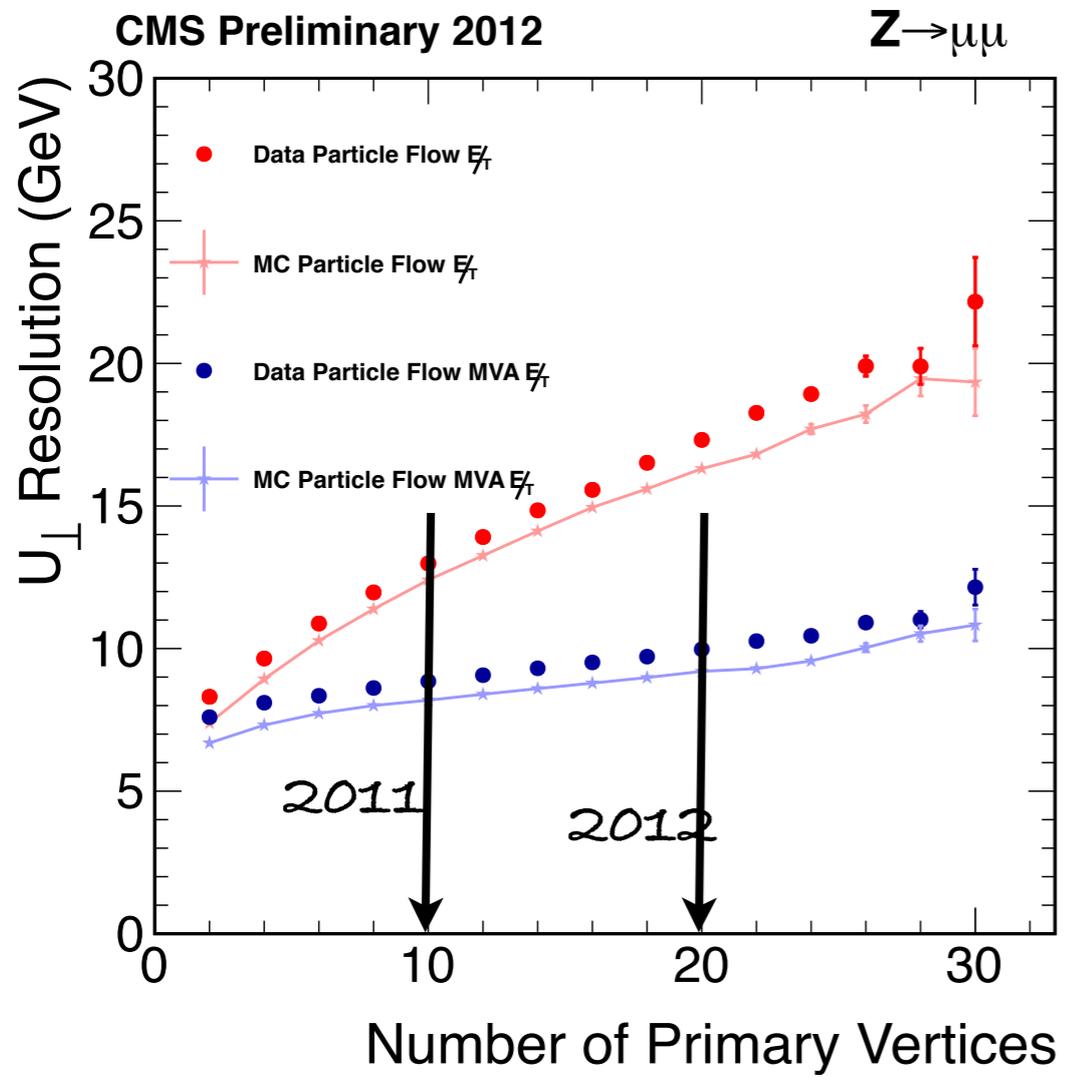
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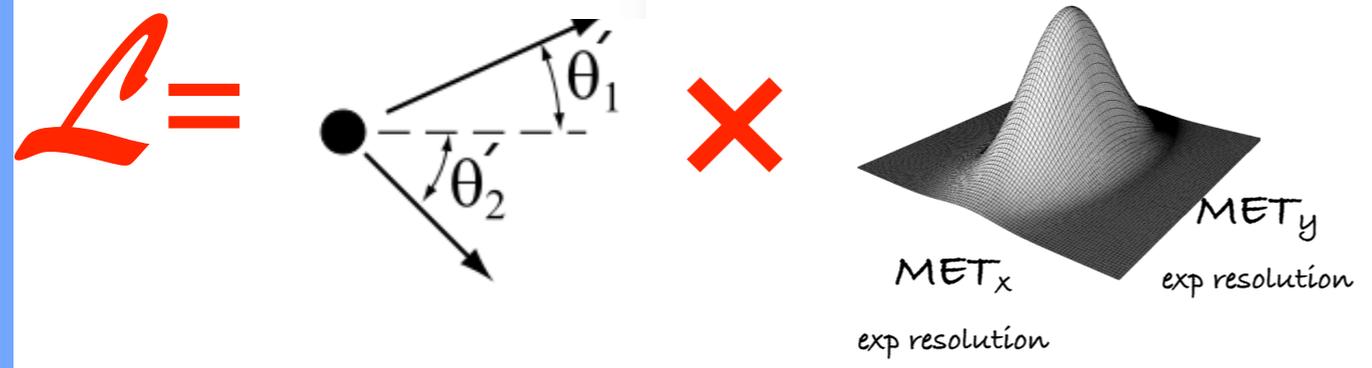
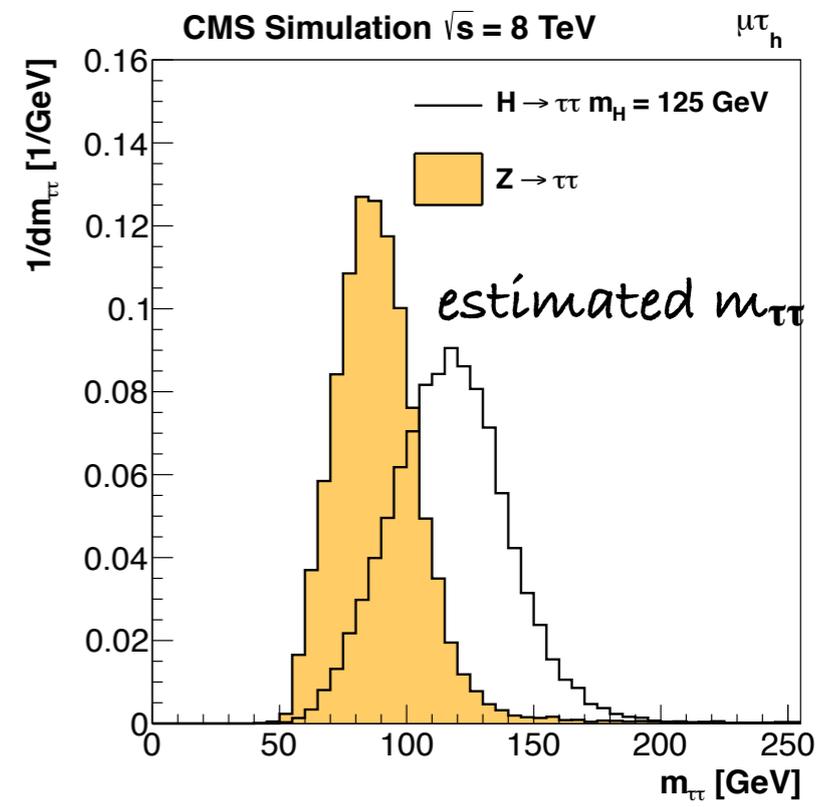
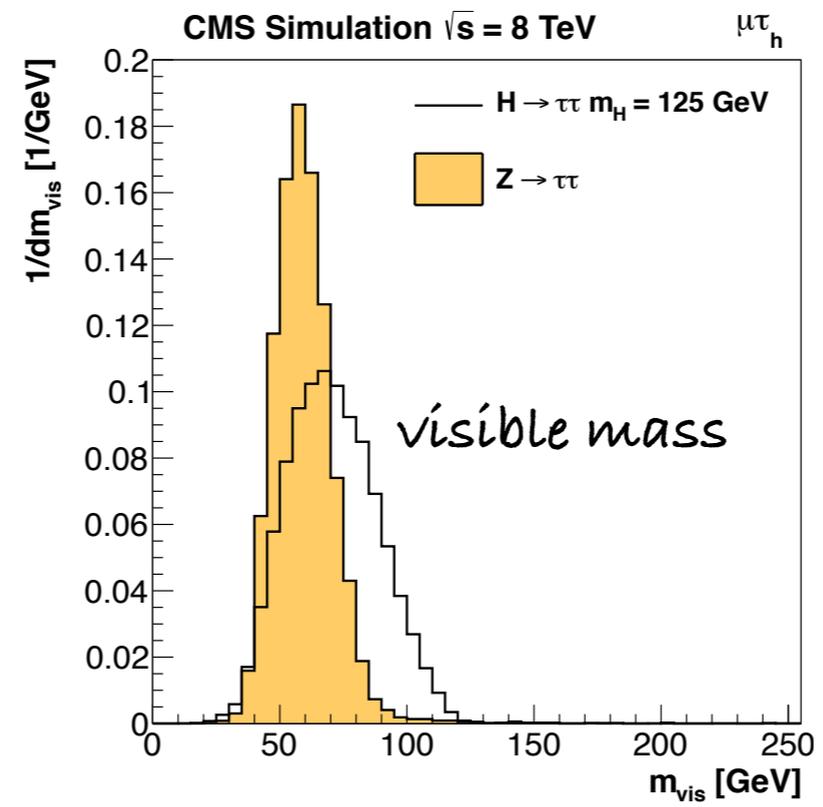
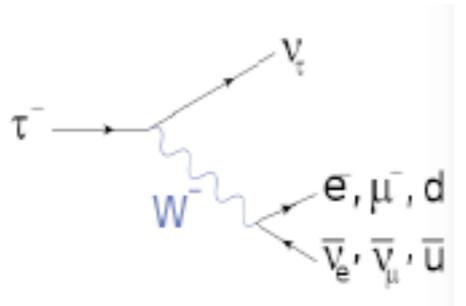


H -> ττ Mττ resolution



2011 analysis in PLB: [Phys. Lett. B 713\(2012\) 68-90](#)
H/Z separation

- also new 2012
 - Improved tau ID
 - new mass reconstructions
 - better mass resolution



- Event-by-event estimator of true $m(\tau\tau)$ likelihood using momenta of visible decay products, angles and MET directions and expected resolution

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H -> ττ Backgrounds



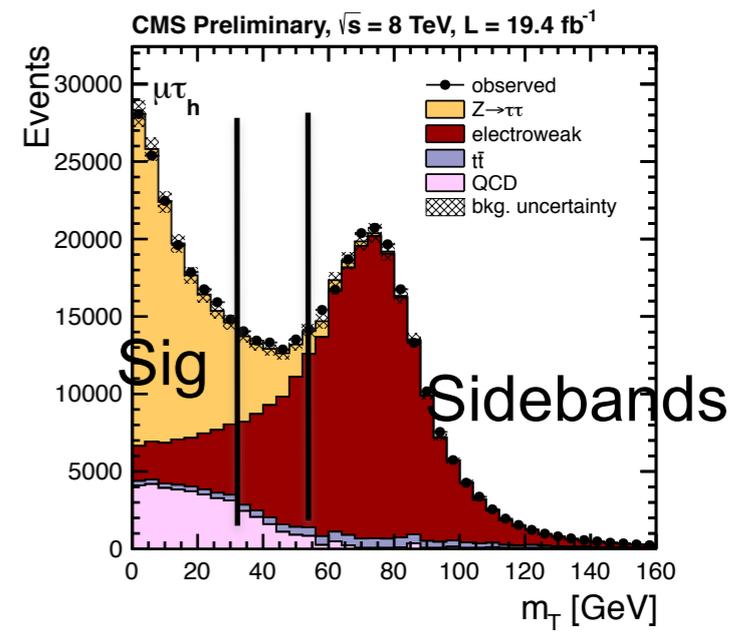
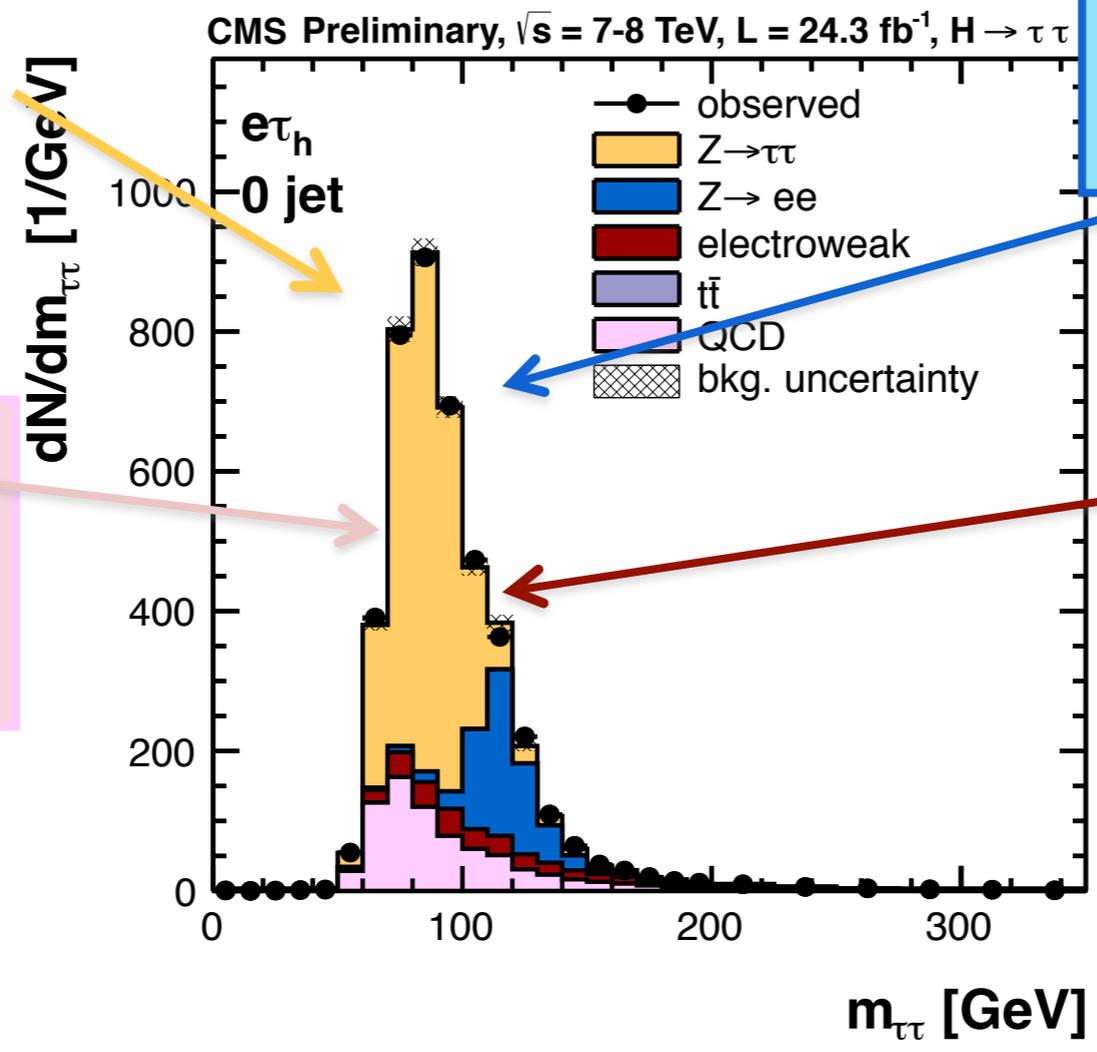
- Backgrounds measured as much as possible from data

Z→ττ
Embedding: Z→μμ data, replace μ with simulated τ decay
 Normalization from Z→μμ data

QCD - estimated from same sign data, corrected for SS/OS ratio

DY→ll - from MC but correcting the l→τ fake rate

EWK - mostly W+jets: using M_T sidebands and angles between MET and τs



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H -> $\tau\tau$ Analysis strategy



number of jets ($p_T > 30$)

$\mu\tau_h, e\tau_h, e\mu, \mu\mu$

τp_T

0 Jet, Low p_T
High background

1 Jet, Low p_T
Enhancement from jet requirement

0 Jet, High p_T
Lepton p_T spectrum harder from H

1 Jet, High p_T
Enhancement from p_T and jet requirement

VBF
2 jets, no jets in rapidity gap
 $m_{jj} > 500$

$\tau_h\tau_h$ **1 Jet**
high $p_T(H)$ requirement

$\tau_h\tau_h$ **2 Jet (VBF)**
high $p_T(H)$ requirement
 $m_{jj} > 250$

- Search performed in 5 tau-pair final states: $\mu\tau_h, e\tau_h, e\mu, \mu\mu, \tau_h\tau_h$
- Select isolated, well-identified leptons, τ_h + topological cuts (e.g. m_T in $l\tau_h$) to suppress backgrounds
- Categorize events based on number of jets, τp_T
- Template fit to $m_{\tau\tau}$ shape

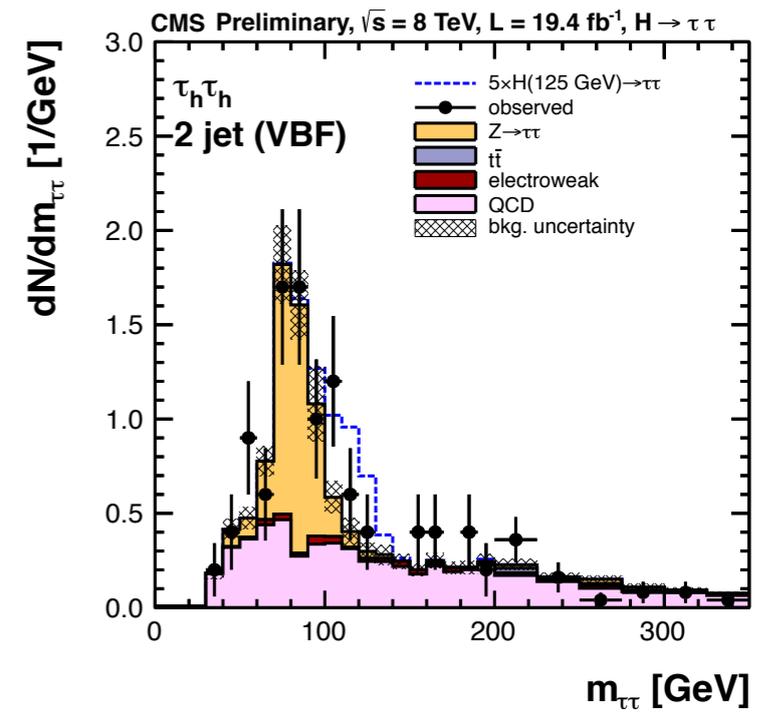
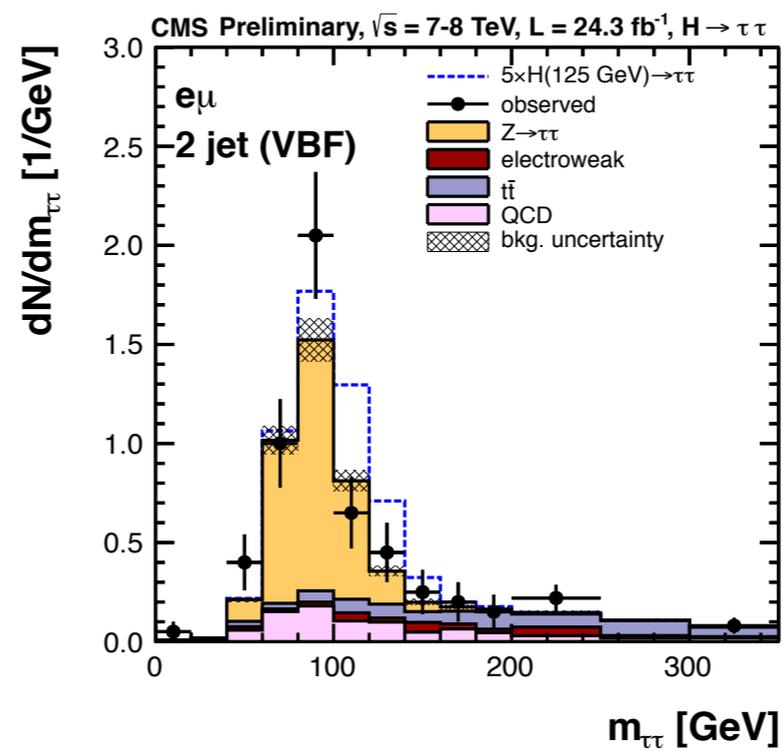
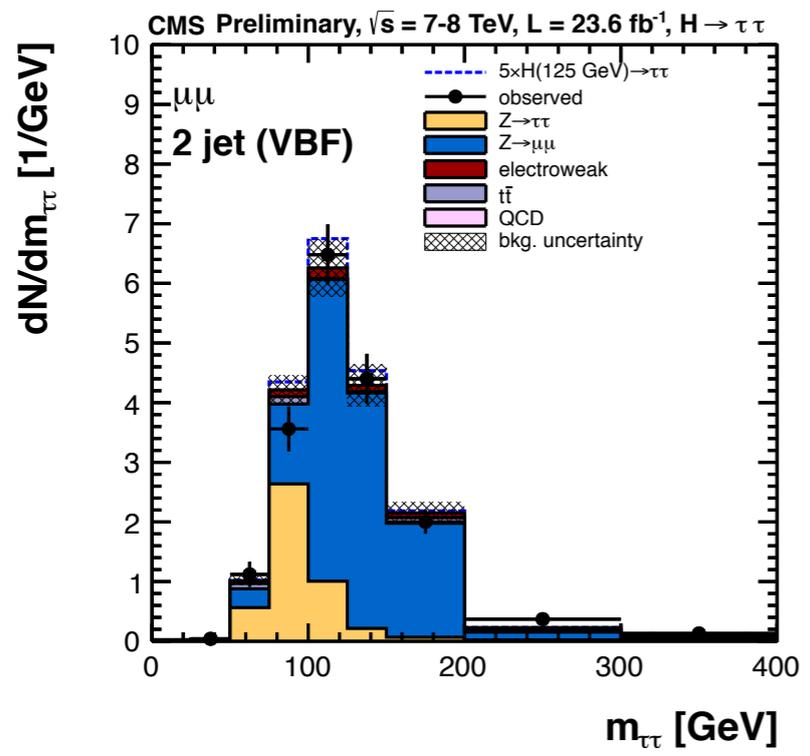
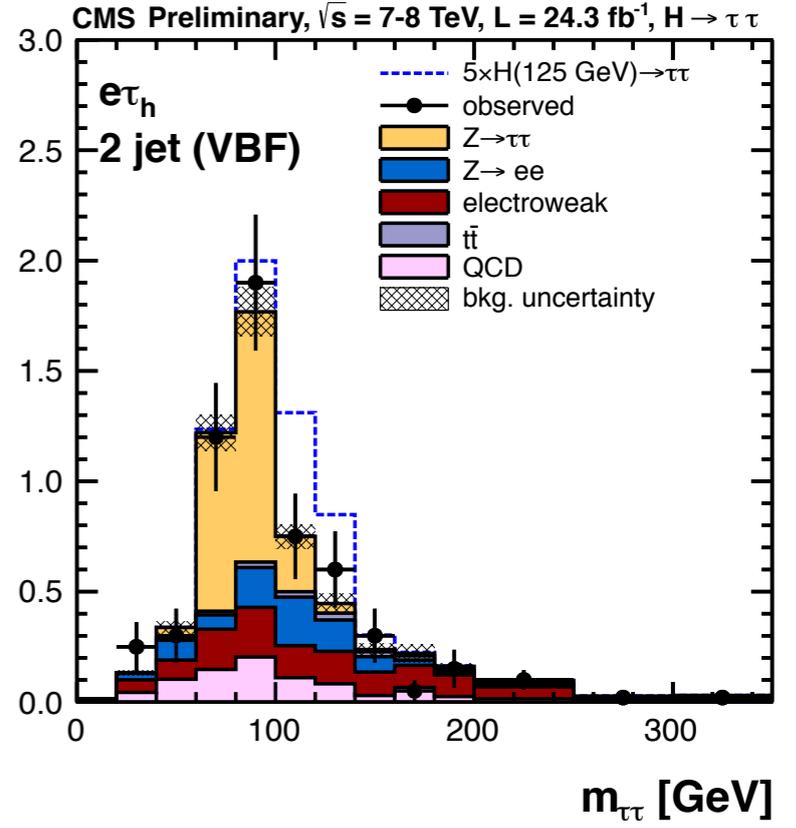
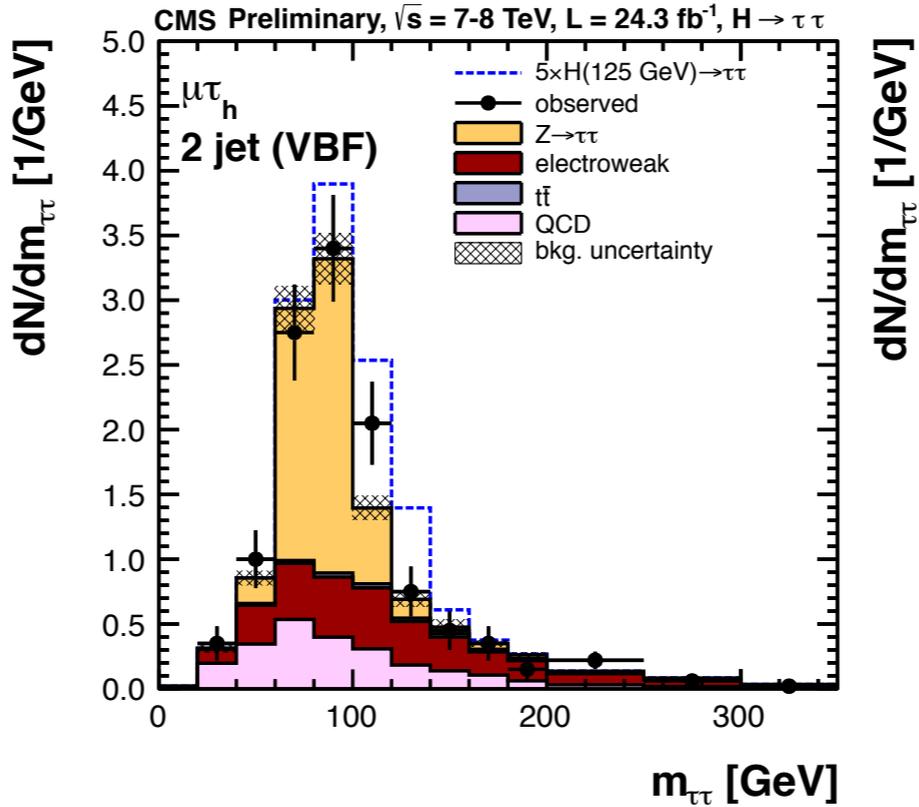


H -> $\tau\tau$ $m_{\tau\tau}$ distributions



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5 fb ⁻¹	19 fb ⁻¹

2-jet (VBF)
category with best S/B



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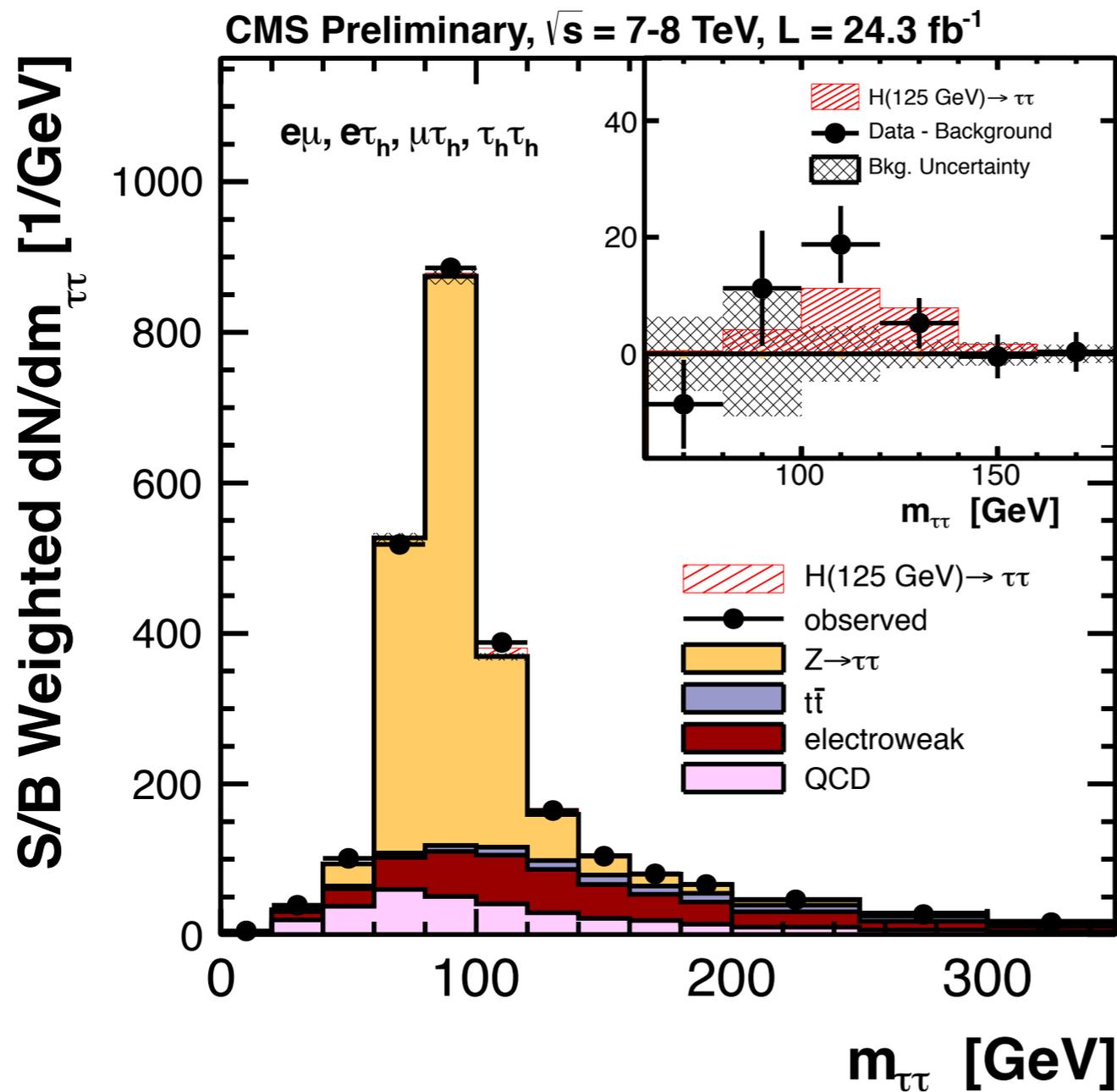


H -> $\tau\tau$

combined $m_{\tau\tau}$



■ 1jet + VBF



Combined channels and categories, each category in each channel weighted by its S/B

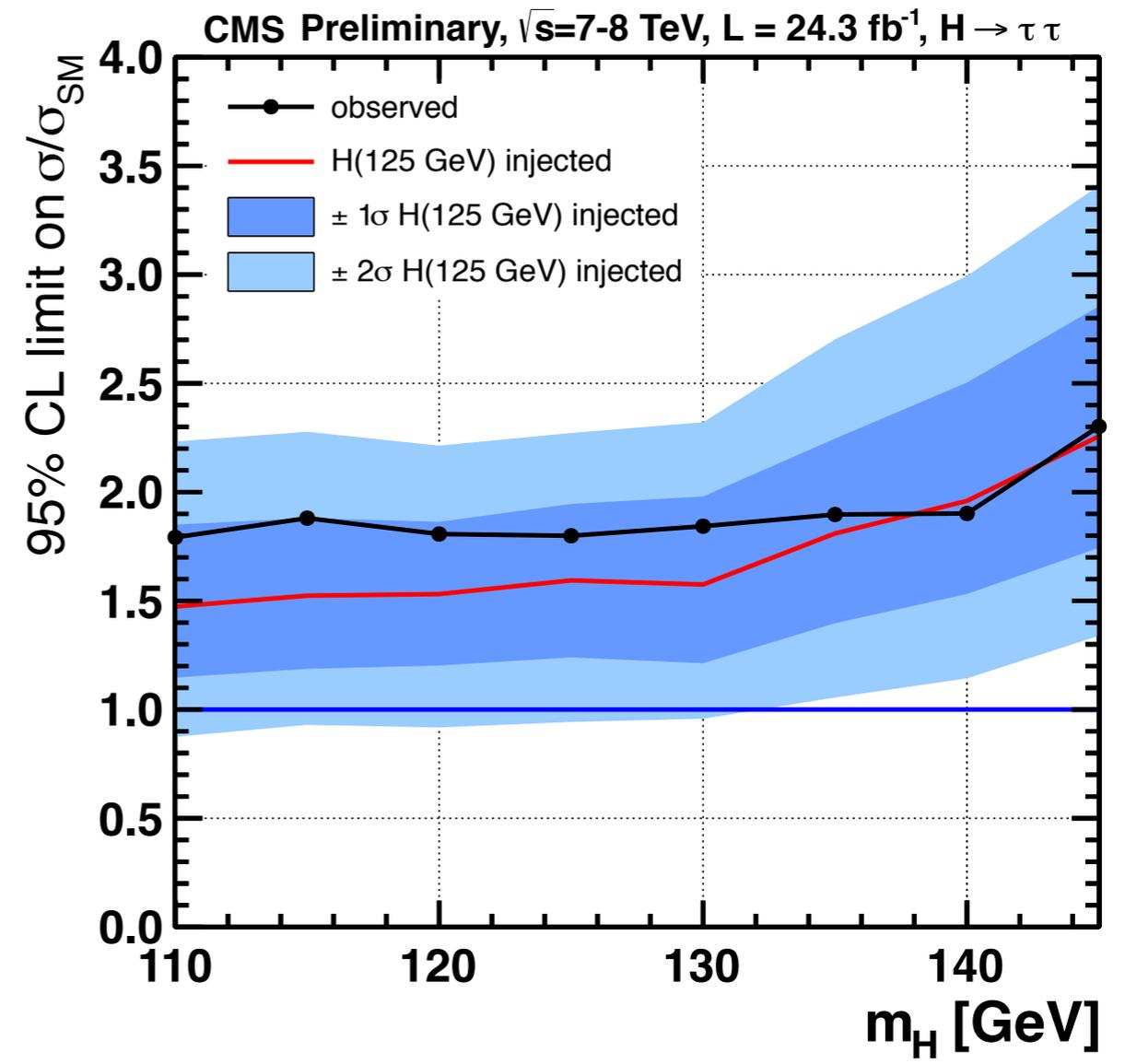
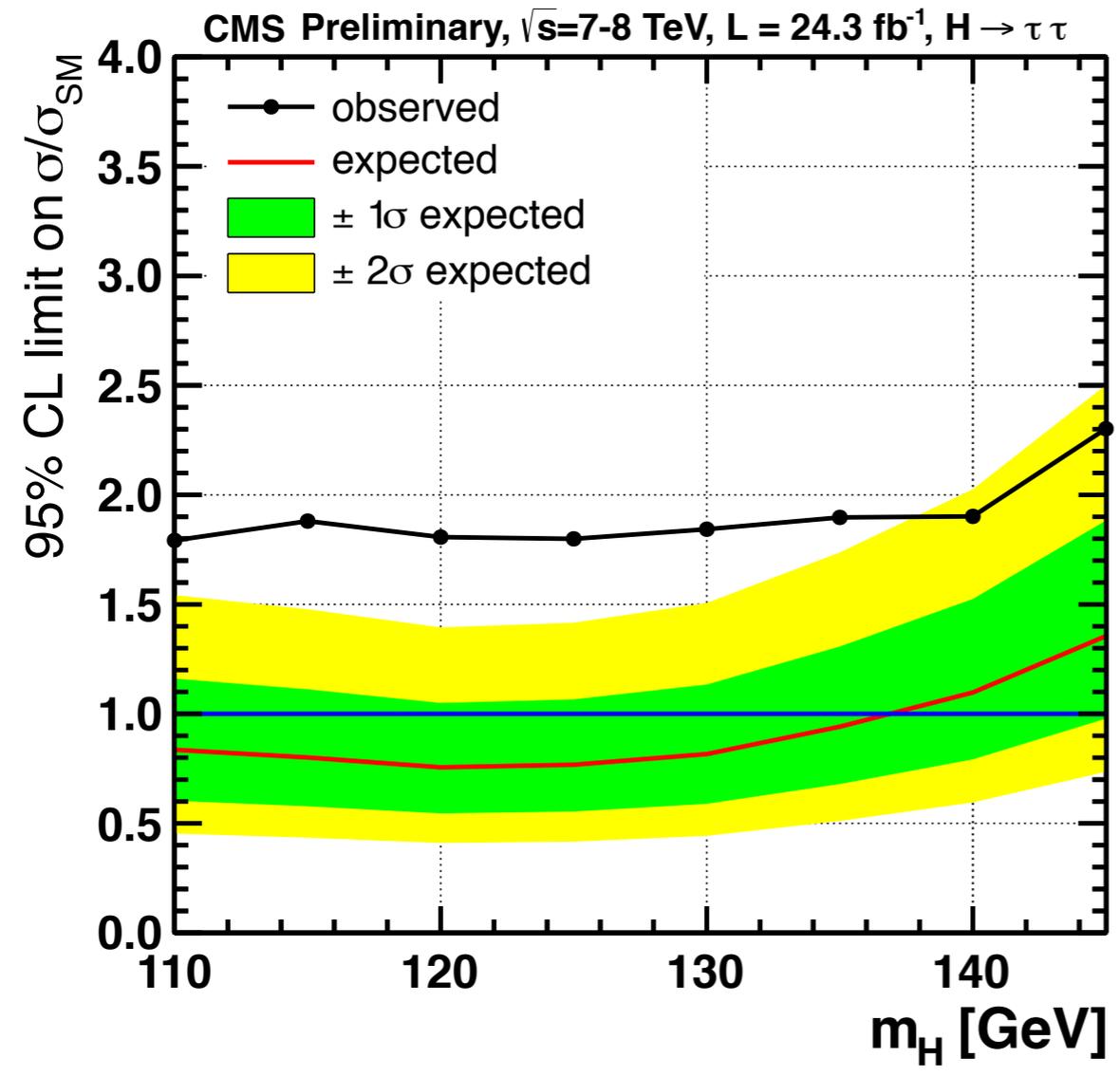


H \rightarrow $\tau\tau$

Limits



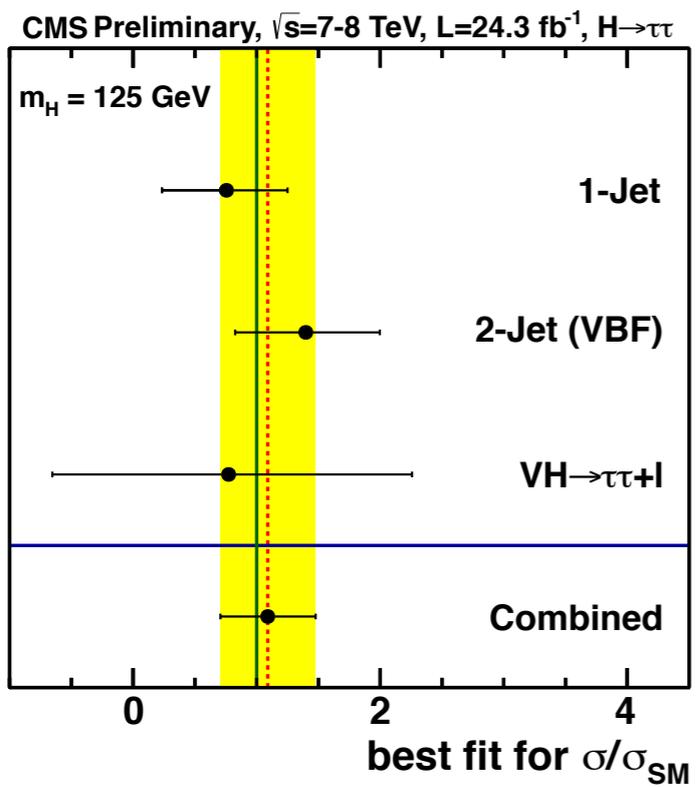
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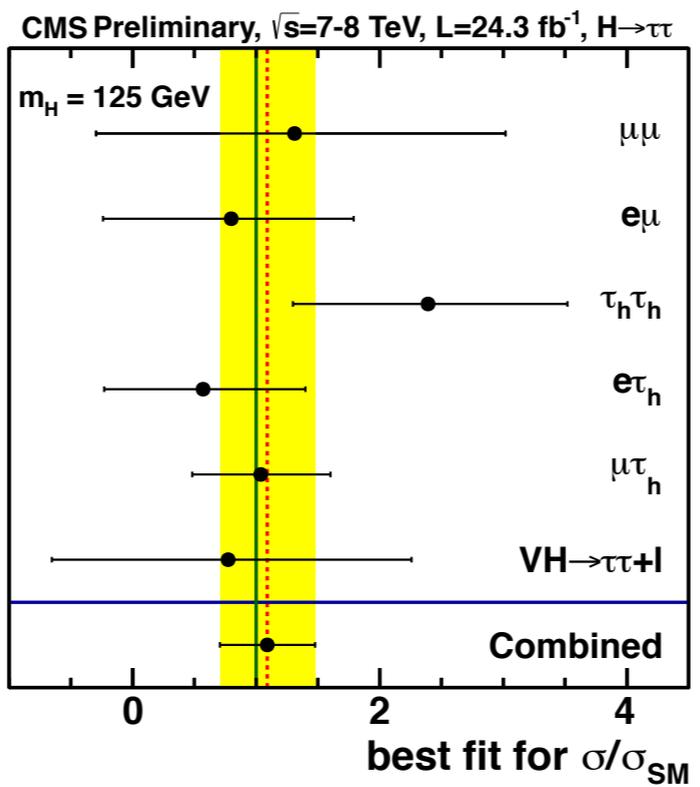
■ Results consistent with expectation for background + SM scalar at 125 GeV



H -> ττ Signal strength and significance



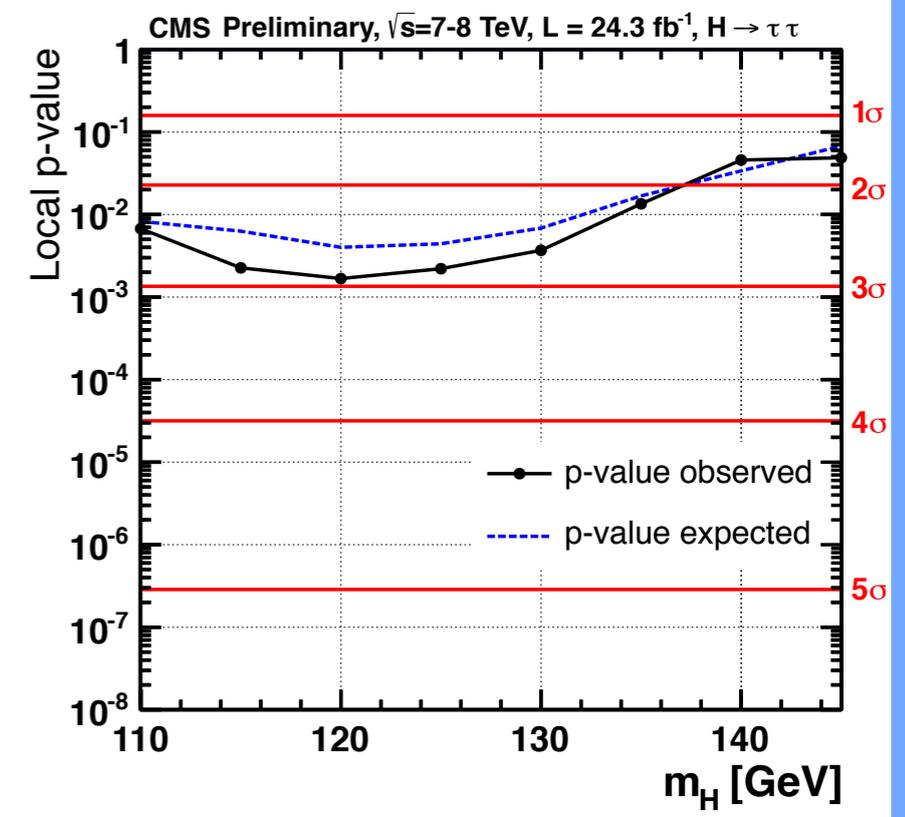
by category



by channel

- Broad excess observed over range of m_H
- Maximum local significance of **2.93 σ** at 120 GeV, compatible with presence of 125 GeV SM scalar boson
- Observed (expected) significance of **2.85 σ (2.62 σ)** for $m_H = 125$ GeV

- Consistent picture across channels and categories
- Combined best-fit $\hat{\mu}$ of **1.1 \pm 0.4**



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Conclusions





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Thursday 14 Mar 2013 10:57 am

But they remain unsure whether it might be the most-prized 'super-Higgs', which would transform previous ideas of how the universe began, or a 'mere' Standard Model boson – which would at least confirm existing theories.



Conclusions



- CMS showed preliminary results on taus with full 2011 + 2012 data ($\sim 23 \text{ fb}^{-1}$) and the majority of the dataset (19 fb^{-1}) for $VH \rightarrow bb$
- Strong indication that the new discovered boson at 125 GeV decays to taus
 - Obs significance of $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ 2.85σ and signal strength 1.1 ± 0.4
- broad excess also in $VHbb$
 - Obs significance of $H \rightarrow bb$ 2.2σ and signal strength 1.3 ± 0.7
- Public results based on partial statistics on ttH and exclusion of MSSM $\Phi \rightarrow bb$ and $\Phi \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (see back-up)

CMS is working to analyze all data and/or finalize the analysis for final publication on 7+8 TeV data, stay tuned for Summer Conferences



BACKUP

Definition of Control Regions (CR) crucial element of the analysis

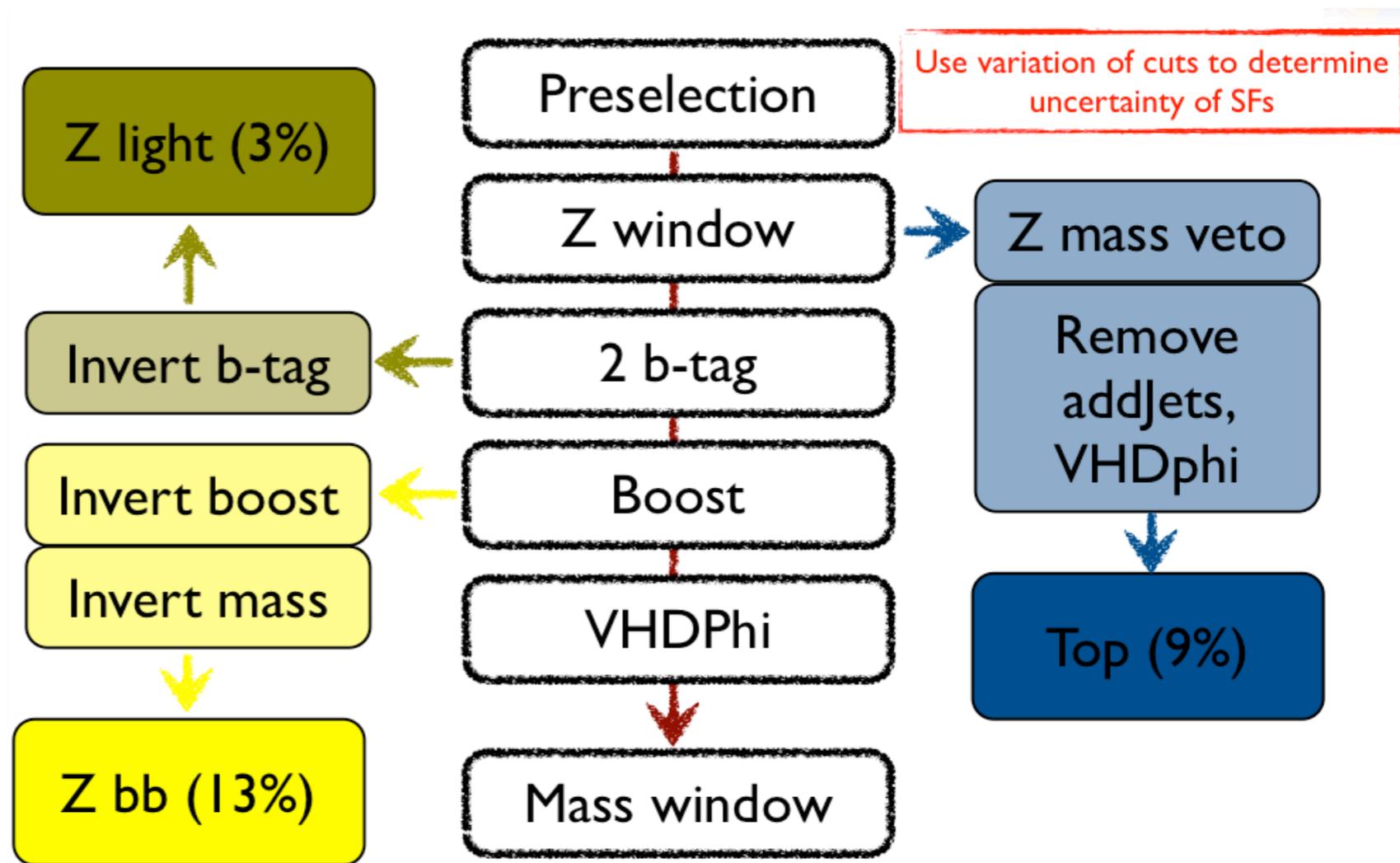
Define several CR enriched in different background components:

Control regions cuts as close as possible to the signal region

Renormalize MC simulation yields and extrapolate to signal region

Account for associated stat. and syst. uncertainties

Example: Zee control region definition



(%)= uncertainty

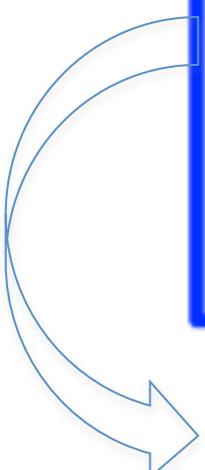
BDT input variables

p_{Tj}	transverse momentum of each Higgs daughter
$m(jj)$	dijet invariant mass
$p_{T}(jj)$	dijet transverse momentum
$p_{T}(V)$	vector boson transverse momentum (or E_T^{miss})
CSV_{max}	b-tag disc. value for Higgs daughter with largest value
CSV_{min}	b-tag disc. value for Higgs daughter with second largest value
$\Delta\phi(V, H)$	azimuthal angle between V (or E_T^{miss}) and dijet
$ \Delta\eta(jj) $	difference in η between Higgs daughters
$\Delta R(jj)$	difference in η - ϕ between Higgs daughters
N_{aj}	number of additional jets
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jet})$	azimuthal angle between E_T^{miss} and closest jet (only for $Z(\nu\nu)H$)
$\Delta\theta_{\text{pull}}$	color pull angle

H->bb systematics

Source	Range
Luminosity	2.2%
Lepton efficiency and trigger (per lepton)	3%
Z($\nu\nu$)H triggers	2%
Jet energy scale	2–3%
Jet energy resolution	3–6%
Missing transverse energy	3%
b-tagging	3–15%
Signal cross section (scale and PDF)	4%
Signal cross section (p_T boost, EWK/QCD)	5–10% / 10%
Signal Monte Carlo statistics	1–5%
Backgrounds (data estimate)	\approx 10%
Diboson and single-top (simulation estimate)	30%

4.4% at 8 TeV



M. Ciccolini et al., “Strong and electroweak corrections to the production of Higgs+2jets via weak interactions at the LHC”, Phys. Rev. Lett. 99 (2007) 161803, doi:10.1103/PhysRevLett.99.161803, arXiv:0707.0381.

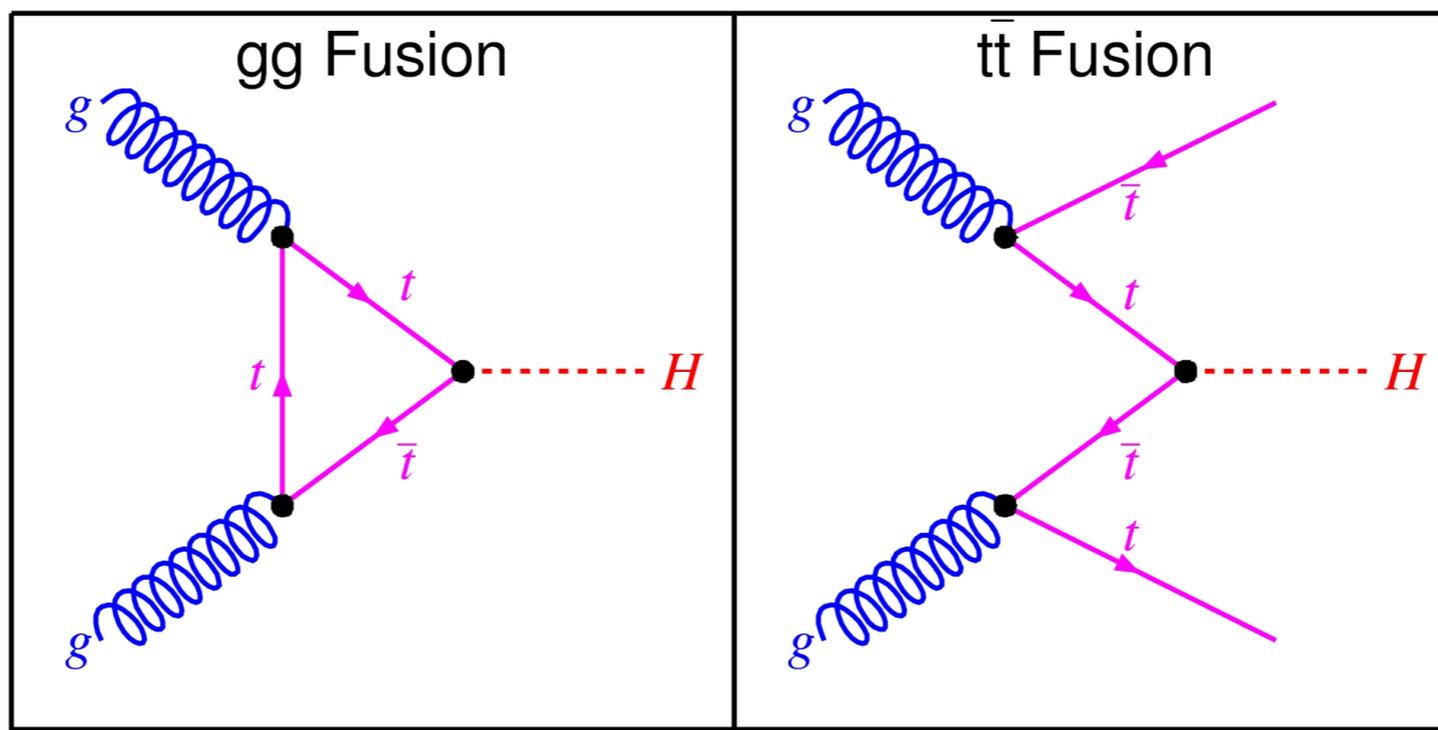
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A. Denner, S. Dittmaier, S. Kallweit et al., “Electroweak corrections to Higgs-strahlung off W/Z bosons at the Tevatron and the LHC with HAWK”, (2011). arXiv:1112.5142.

Brand new

$gg \rightarrow tt(H)bb$

Higgs fermions coupling both in production and decay





ttH analysis and results

Directly probe ttH vertex

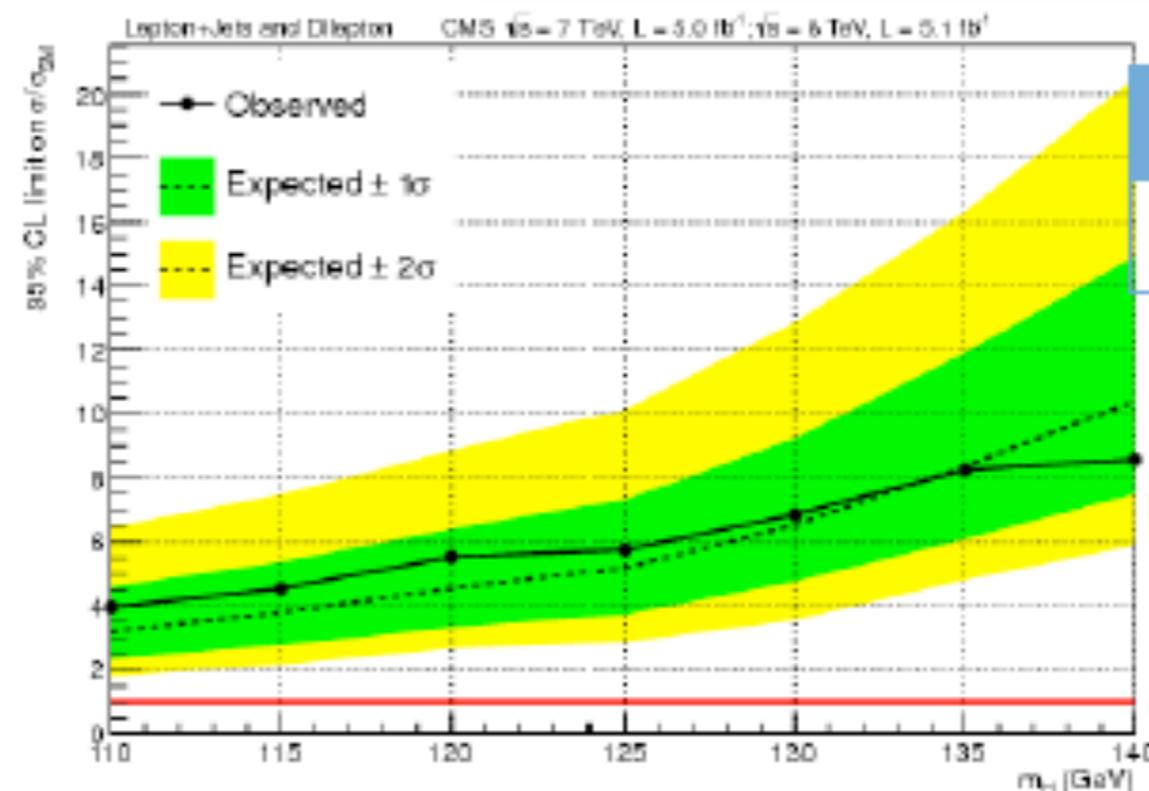
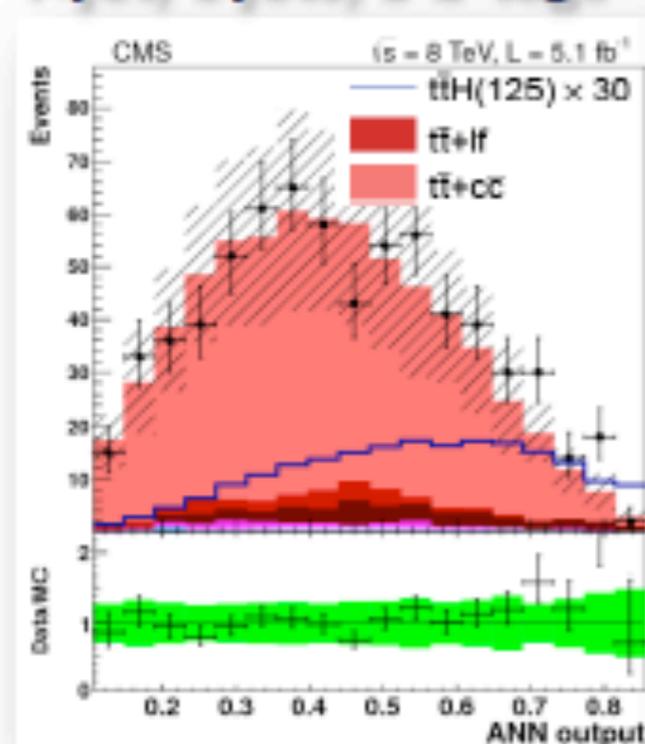
Dominant background: tt +jets

Search done for lepton+jets
and dilepton final states

Strategy:

- 1-2 leptons + ≥ 2 jets + ≥ 2 b-tagged jets
- Categorize based on number of jets and number of b-tags
- Fit to output of neural network (ANN), inputs are b-tag information, kinematics and angular correlations

l+jets, 6 jets, 3 b-tags



7TeV (2011) 8TeV (2012)

5 fb⁻¹

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Observed (expected)
limit of **5.8 (5.2)** x SM
at 125 GeV

Source	Rate Uncertainty	Shape	Remarks
Luminosity (7 TeV)	2.2%	No	All signal and backgrounds
Luminosity (8 TeV)	4.4%	No	All signal and backgrounds
Lepton ID/Trig	4%	No	All signal and backgrounds
Pileup	1%	No	All signal and backgrounds
Additional Pileup Corr.	–	Yes	All signal and backgrounds
Jet Energy Resolution	1.5%	No	All signal and backgrounds
Jet Energy Scale	0-60%	Yes	All signal and backgrounds
b-Tag SF (b/c)	0-33.6%	Yes	All signal and backgrounds
b-Tag SF (mistag)	0-23.5%	Yes	All signal and backgrounds
MC Statistics	–	Yes	All backgrounds
PDF (gg)	9%	No	For gg initiated processes ($t\bar{t}$, $t\bar{t}Z$, $t\bar{t}H$)
PDF ($q\bar{q}$)	4.2-7%	No	For $q\bar{q}$ initiated processes ($t\bar{t}W$, W , Z).
PDF (qg)	4.6%	No	For qg initiated processes (single top)
QCD Scale ($t\bar{t}H$)	15%	No	For NLO $t\bar{t}H$ prediction
QCD Scale ($t\bar{t}$)	2-12%	No	For NLO $t\bar{t}$ and single top predictions
QCD Scale (V)	1.2-1.3%	No	For NNLO W and Z prediction
QCD Scale (VV)	3.5%	No	For NLO diboson prediction
Madgraph Scale ($t\bar{t}$)	0-20%	Yes	$t\bar{t}$ +jets/ $b\bar{b}$ / $c\bar{c}$ uncorrelated. Varies by jet bin.
Madgraph Scale (V)	20-60%	No	Varies by jet bin.
$t\bar{t}$ + $b\bar{b}$	50%	No	Only $t\bar{t}$ + $b\bar{b}$.

Table 2: Main systematic uncertainties entering the analysis. The \mp symbol indicates that the uncertainty is anti-correlated with respect to other categories. The (*) symbol indicates correlation between separate channels. The (+) symbol indicates correlation between separate categories. In the instance where “ex. vbf” is indicated, an additional uncorrelated nuisance is added to account for statistical uncertainties.

Experimental Uncertainties		Propagation into Event Categories		
Uncertainty	Uncert.	0-Jet	1-Jet	VBF
Electron ID & Trigger (+*)	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 2\%$
Muon ID & Trigger (+*)	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 2\%$
Tau ID & Trigger (+)	$\pm 8\%$	$\pm 8\%$	$\pm 8\%$	$\pm 8\%$
Tau Energy Scale (+)	$\pm 3\%$	$\pm 3\%$	$\pm 3\%$	$\pm 3\%$
Electron Energy Scale (+)	$\pm 1\%$	$\pm 1\%$	$\pm 1\%$	$\pm 1\%$
JES (Norm.) (+*)	$\pm 2.5 - 5\%$	$\mp 3 - 15\%$	$\pm 1 - 6\%$	$\pm 5 - 20\%$
MET (Norm.) (+*)	$\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5 - 7\%$	$\pm 2 - 7\%$	$\pm 5 - 8\%$
b-Tag Efficiency (+*)	$\pm 10\%$	$\mp 2\%$	$\mp 2 - 3\%$	$\mp 3\%$
Mis-Tagging (+*)	$\pm 30\%$	$\mp 2\%$	$\mp 2\%$	$\mp 2 - 3\%$
Norm. Z production (+*)	$\pm 3\%$	$\pm 3\%$	$\pm 3\%$	$\pm 3\%$
Z \rightarrow $\tau\tau$ Category	$\pm 3\%$	$\pm 0 - 5\%$	$\pm 3 - 5\%$	$\pm 10 - 13\%$
Norm. $t\bar{t}$ (+* ex.vbf)	$\pm 10\%$	$\pm 10\%$	$\pm 10\%$	$\pm 12 - 33\%$
Norm. Diboson (+* ex. vbf)	$\pm 15 - 30\%$	$\pm 15 - 30\%$	$\pm 15 - 30\%$	$\pm 15 - 100\%$
Norm. QCD Multijet	$\pm 6 - 32\%$	$\pm 6 - 32\%$	$\pm 9 - 30\%$	$\pm 19 - 35\%$
Lumi 7 TeV (8 TeV)	$\pm 2.2(4.2)\%$	$\pm 2.2(4.2)\%$	$\pm 2.2(4.2)\%$	$\pm 2.2(4.2)\%$
Norm. W+jets	$\pm 10 - 30\%$	$\pm 20 - 27\%$	$\pm 10 - 33\%$	$\pm 12.4\% - 30\%$
Norm. Z \rightarrow $\ell\ell$: e fakes τ_h (+)	$\pm 20\%$	$\pm 20\%$	$\pm 36\%$	$\pm 22\%$
Norm. Z \rightarrow $\ell\ell$: μ fakes τ_h (+)	$\pm 30\%$	$\pm 30\%$	$\pm 30\%$	$\pm 30\%$
Norm. Z \rightarrow $\ell\ell$: jet fakes τ_h	$\pm 20\%$	$\pm 20\%$	$\pm 20\%$	$\pm 40\%$



$$\Phi \rightarrow \tau\tau$$

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MSSM search overview

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Higgs sector: 2 Higgs doublets, 5 observable Higgs bosons

- 3 neutral: **H**, **h** (CP-even); **A** (CP-odd)
- 2 charged: **H[±]**

Coupling to down-type fermions enhanced for large $\tan\beta$

- current best sensitivity from $\Phi \rightarrow \tau\tau$

Production mechanisms: gluon fusion, associated production with b quarks

Strategy:

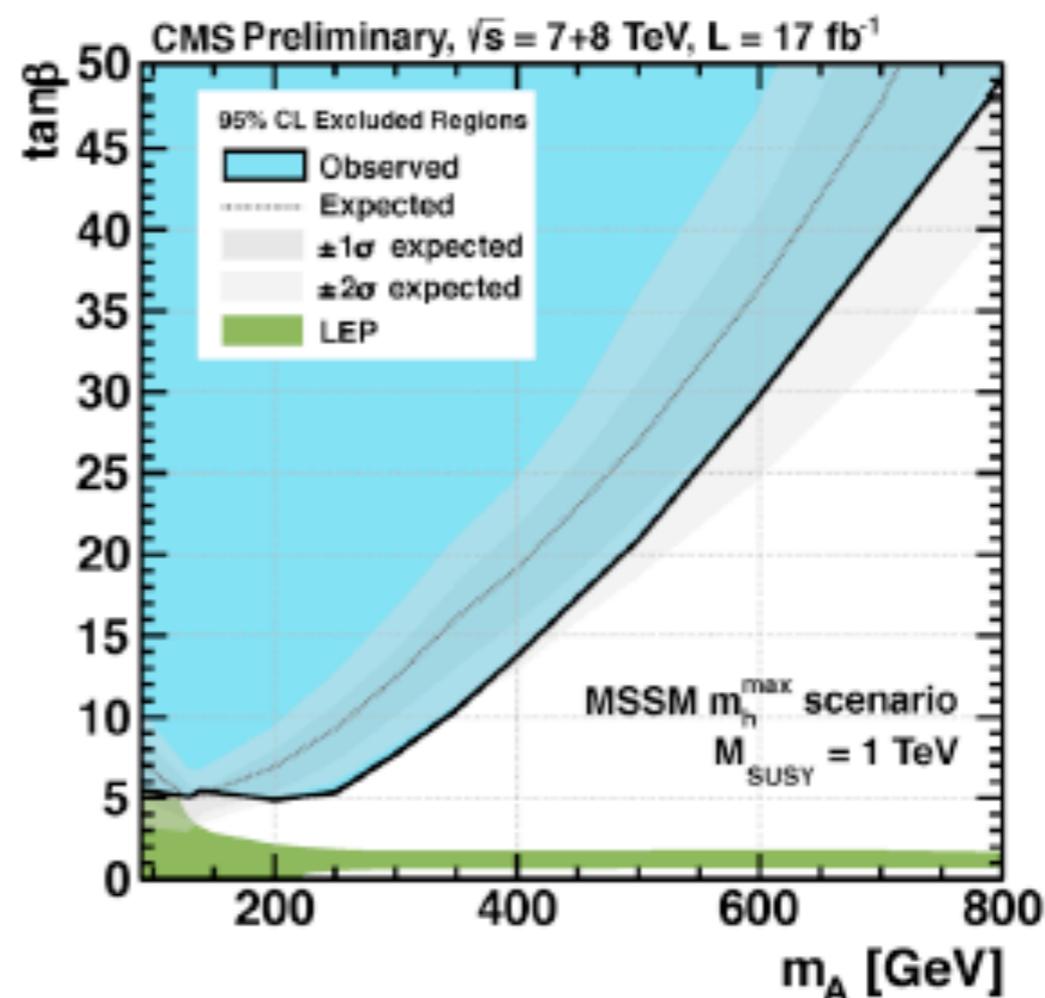
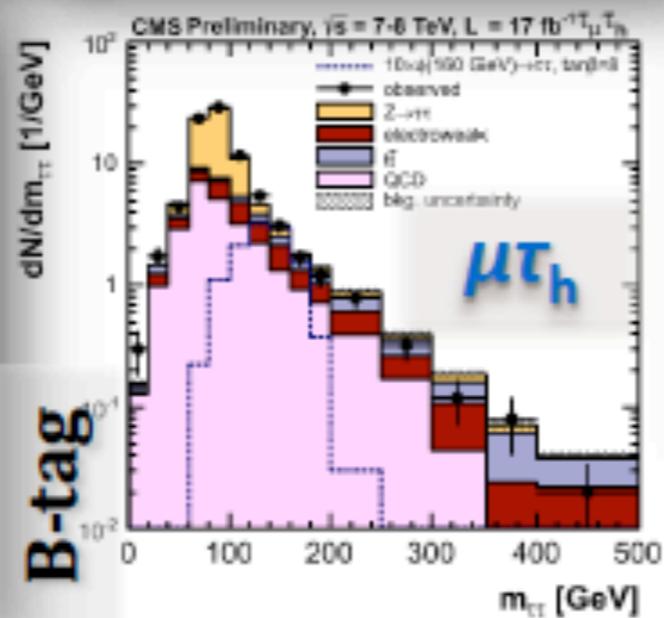
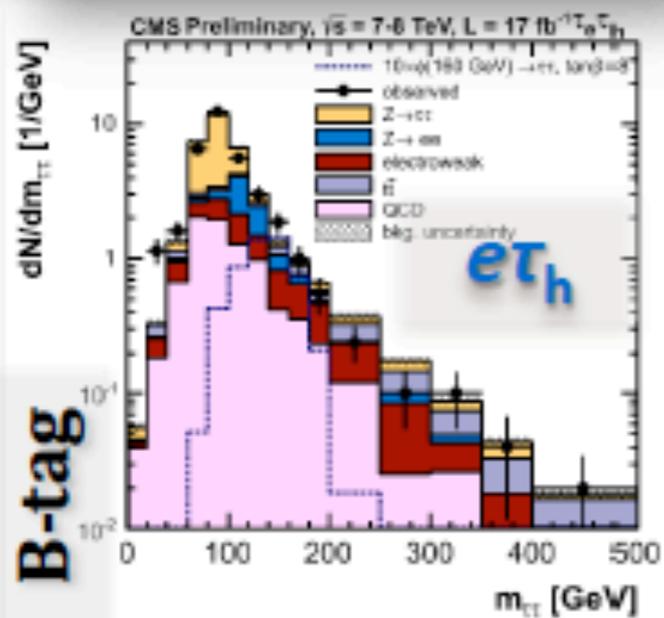
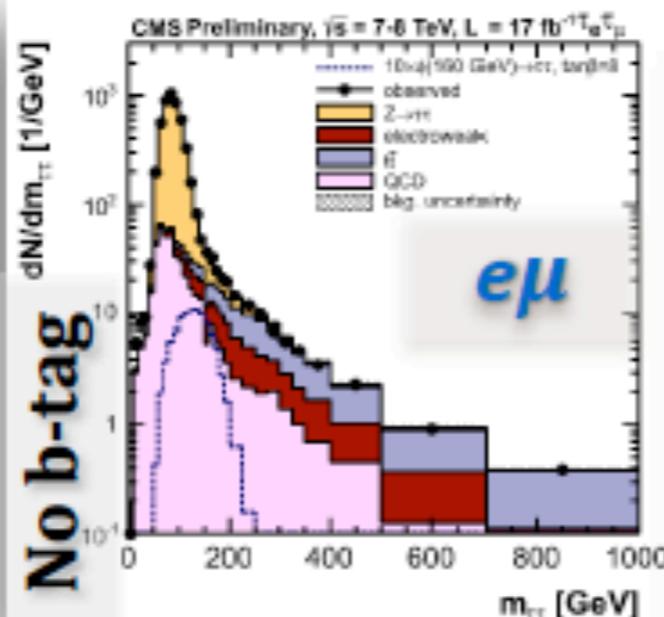
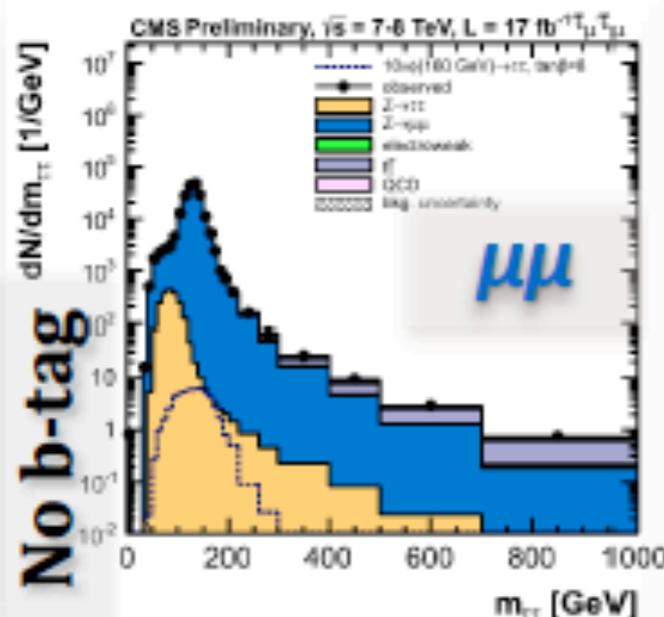
- Same object and topological selection as for SM search
- 2 event categories: b-tag (≥ 1 b-tagged jet, $p_T > 20$ GeV) and no b-tag
- Template fit to $m_{\tau\tau}$ shape

7TeV (2011) 8TeV (2012)

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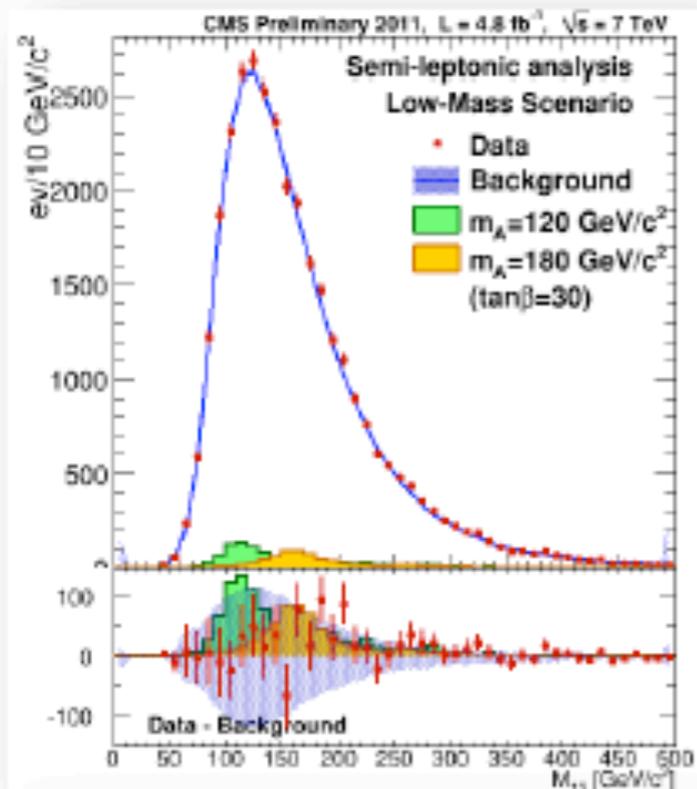
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Results



- Interpretation in m_h^{\max} benchmark scenario
- Exclusion limit in m_A - $\tan\beta$ parameter space

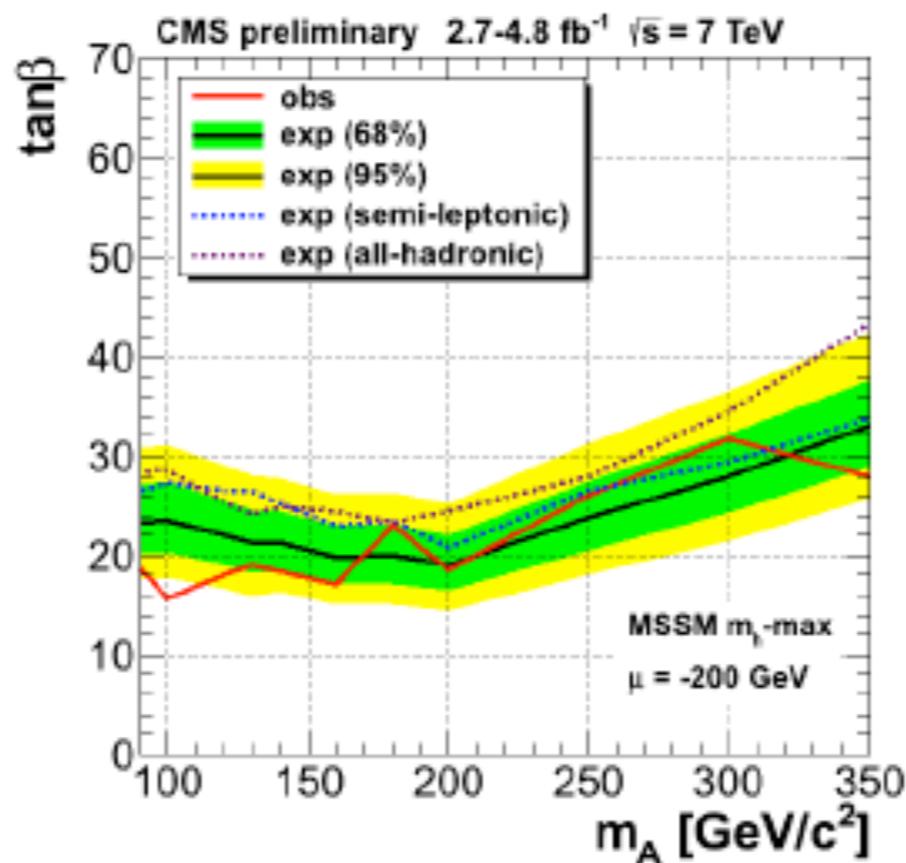
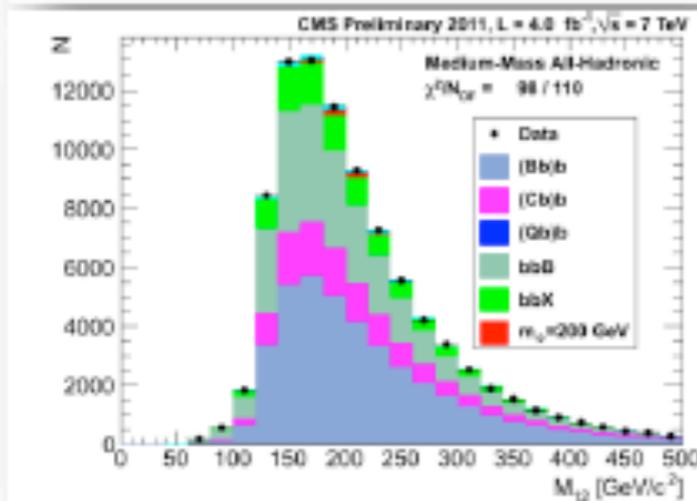
MSSM $b(b)\Phi$, $\Phi \rightarrow bb$



- Multijet final states with 3 b-tagged jets (one of which may include a non-isolated muon)
- Fit mass of 2 leading b-jets

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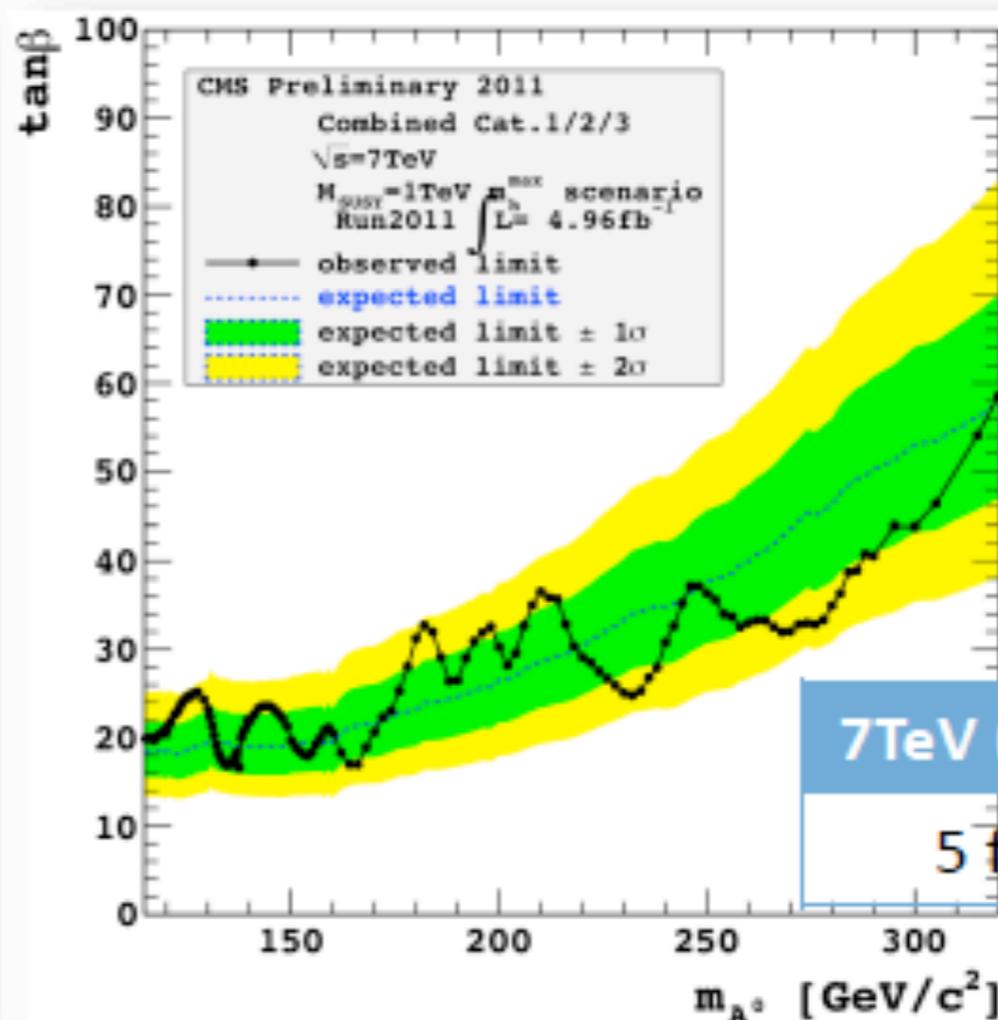
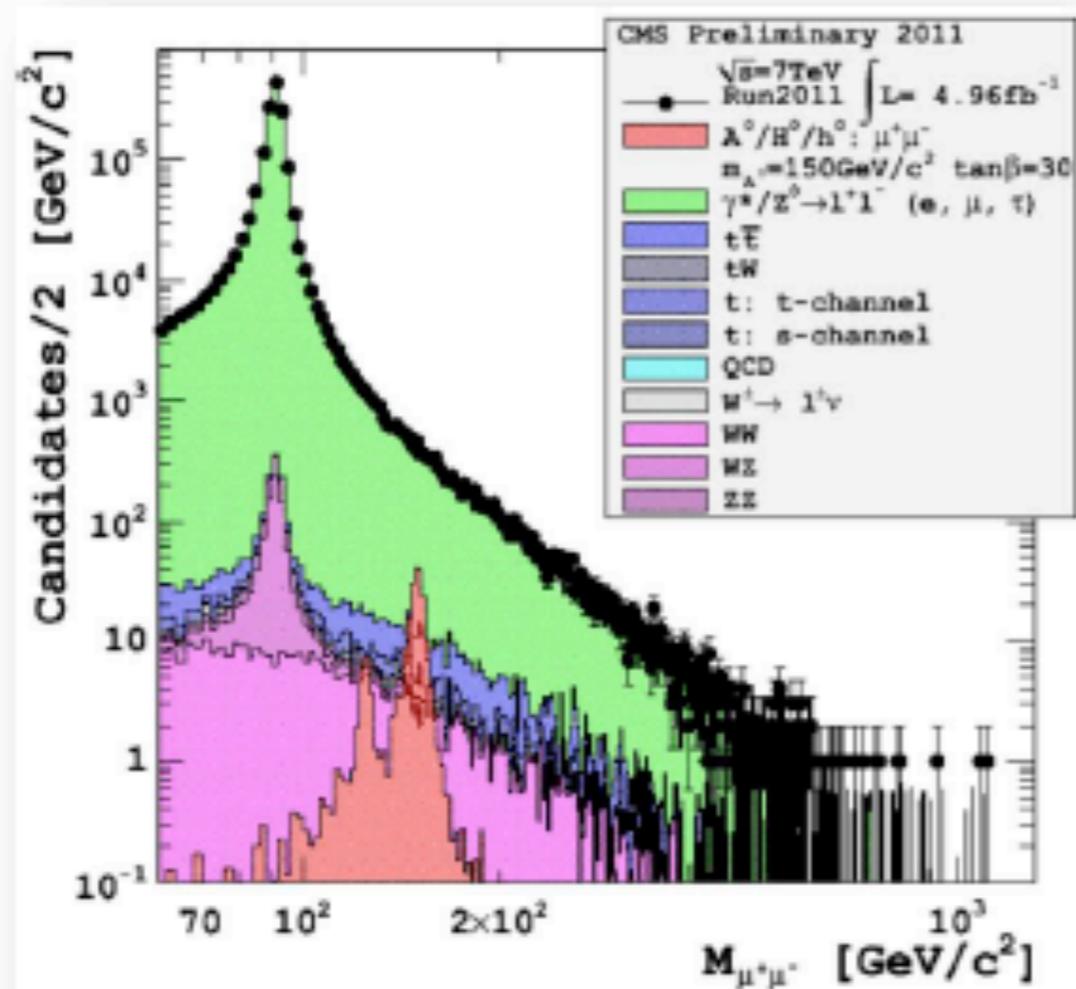
7TeV (2011)
3-5 fb^{-1}

MSSM $\Phi \rightarrow \mu\mu$

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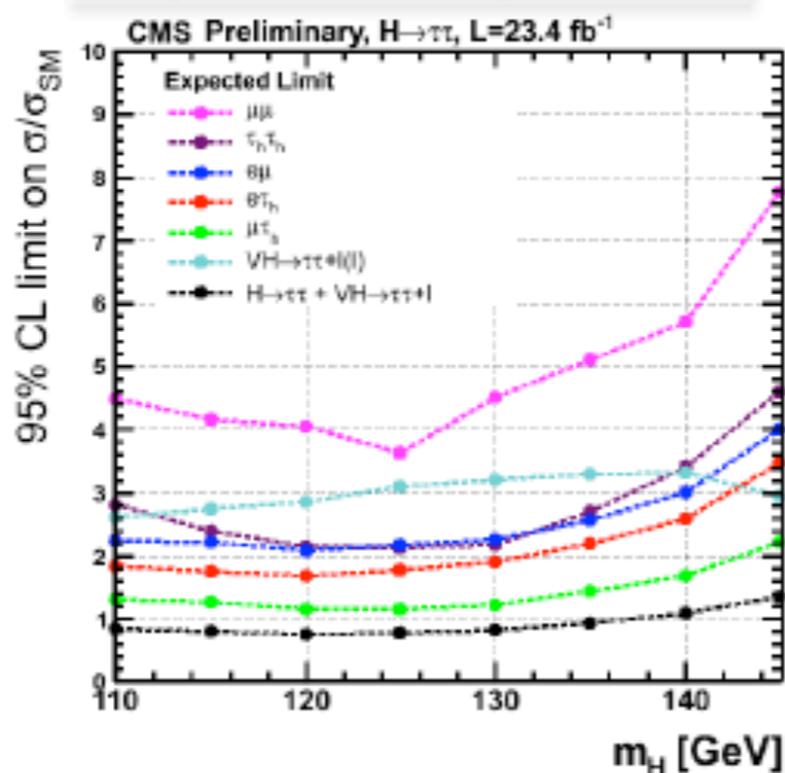


- Sensitive to gluon-fusion, associated production with b-quarks
- Fit $m_{\mu\mu}$ in 3 categories: with a b-tagged jet, no b-tag but with additional muon from b decay, everything else

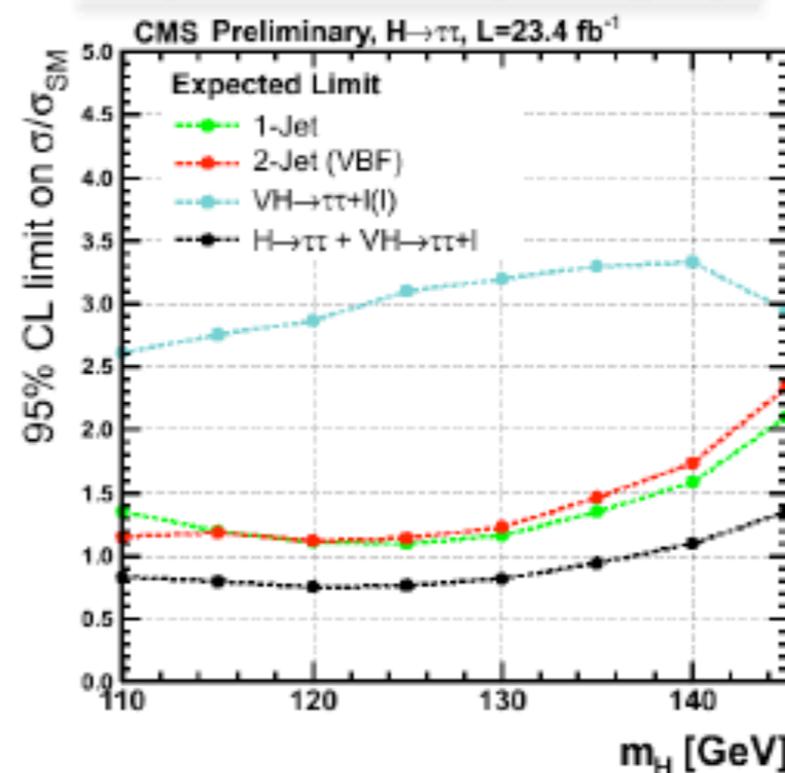


Sensitivity break-down

expected limit by channel



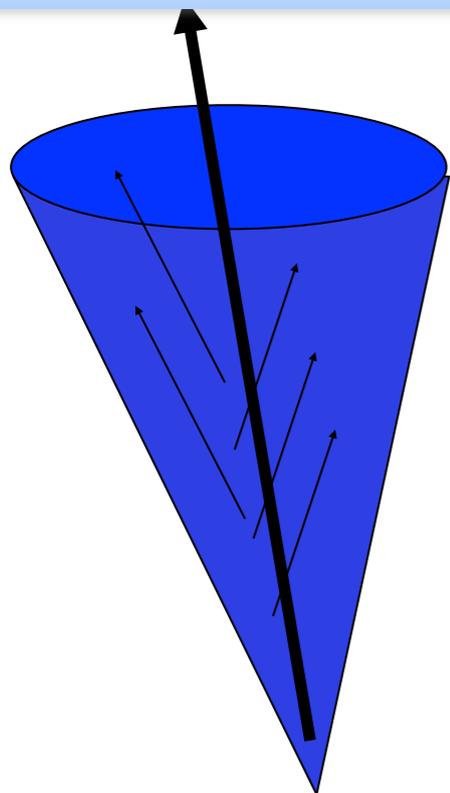
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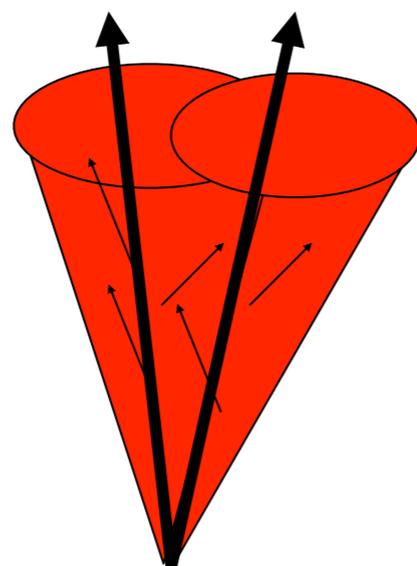
- Results updated with full 2011+2012 dataset
- Sensitivity of **0.77** x SM at 125 GeV

7TeV (2011)	8TeV (2012)
5 fb⁻¹	19 fb⁻¹

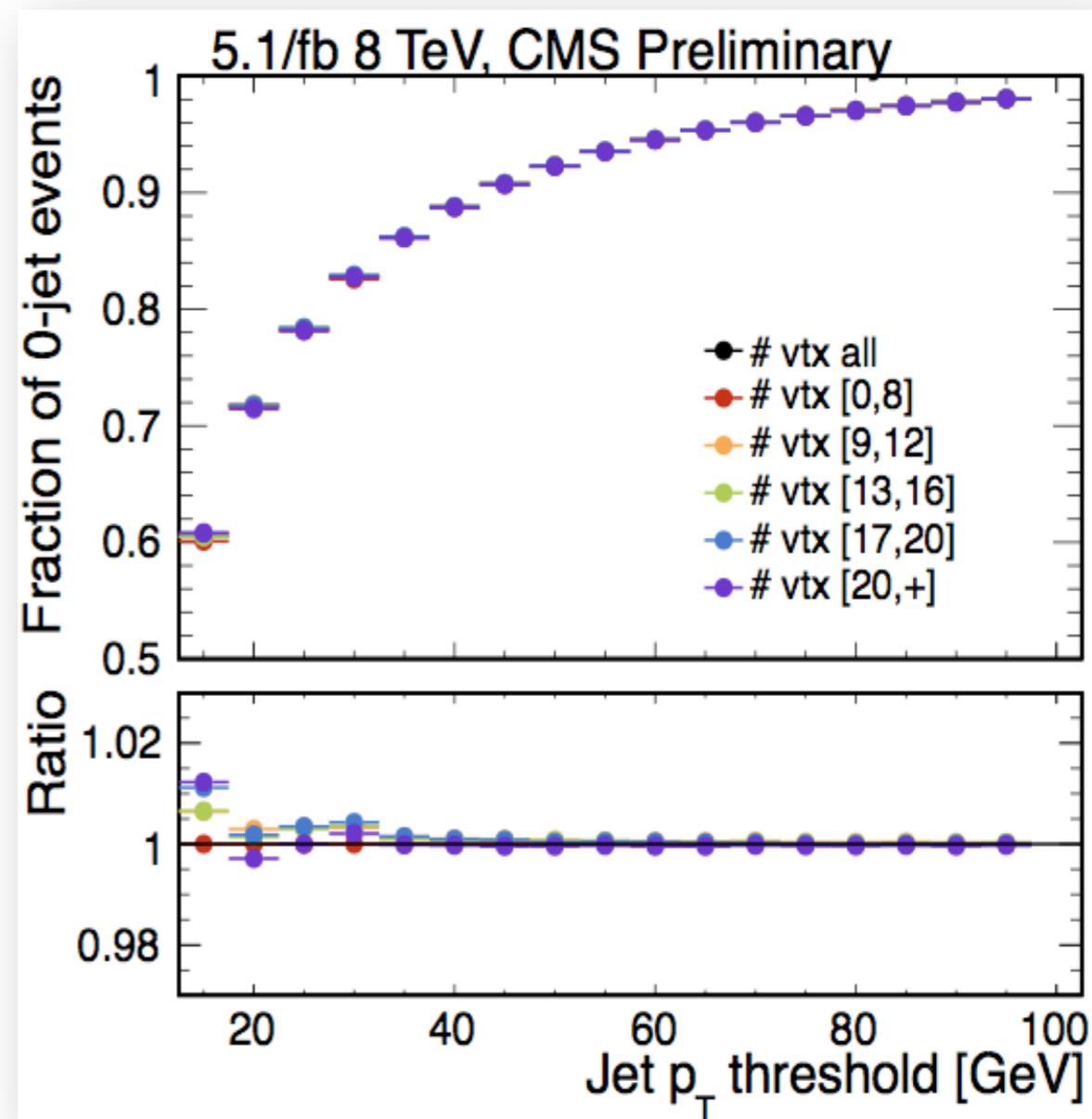
- Jet reconstruction
- Reconstruction with particle flow objects



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



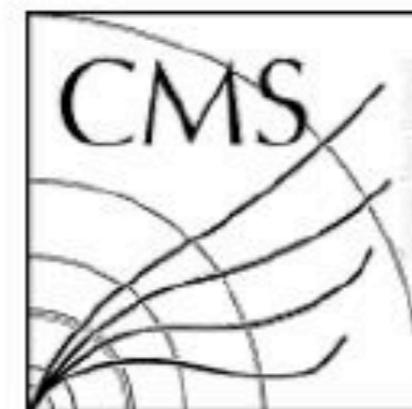
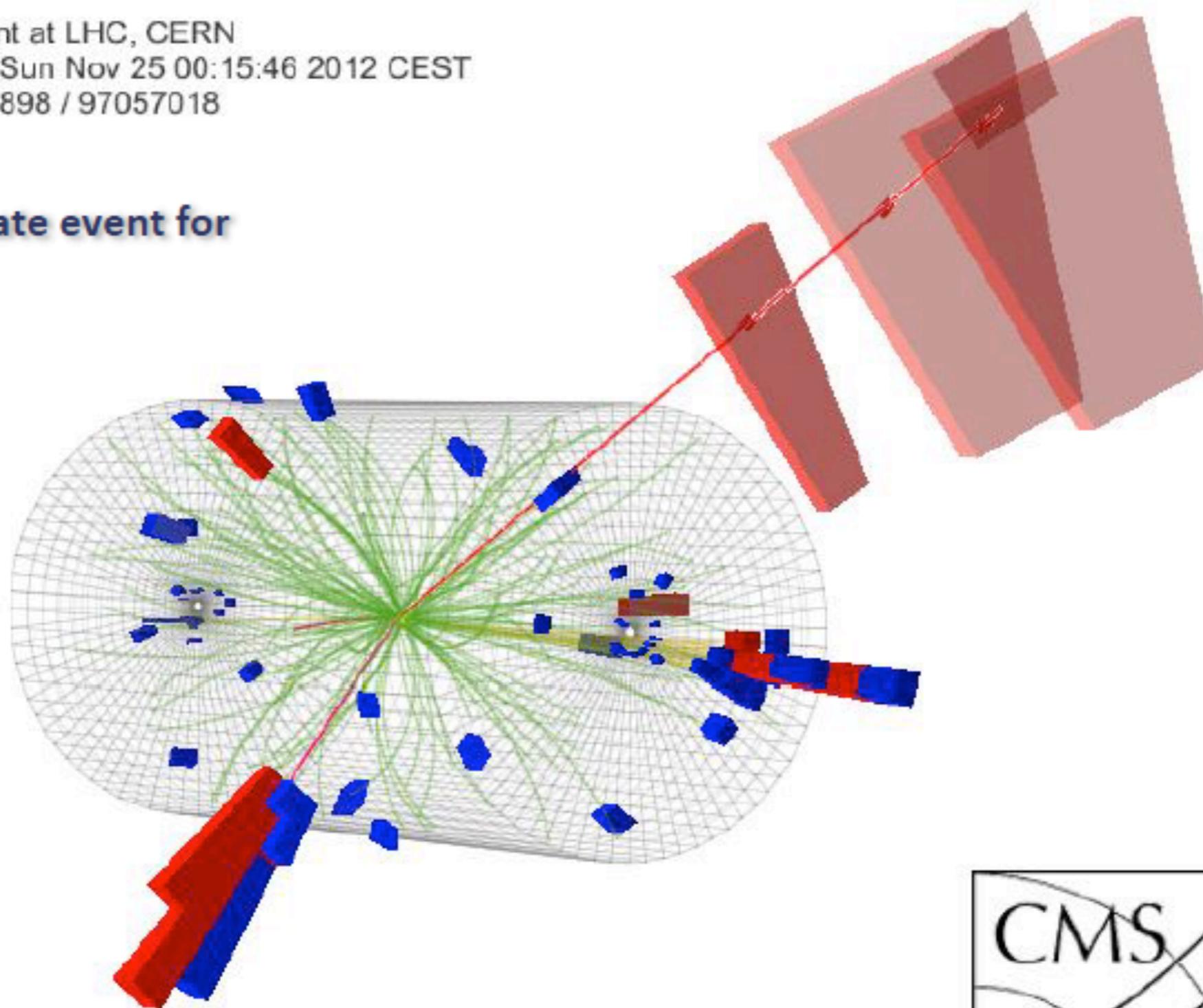
H -> $\tau\tau$

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VBF candidate event for
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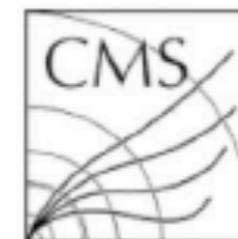


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