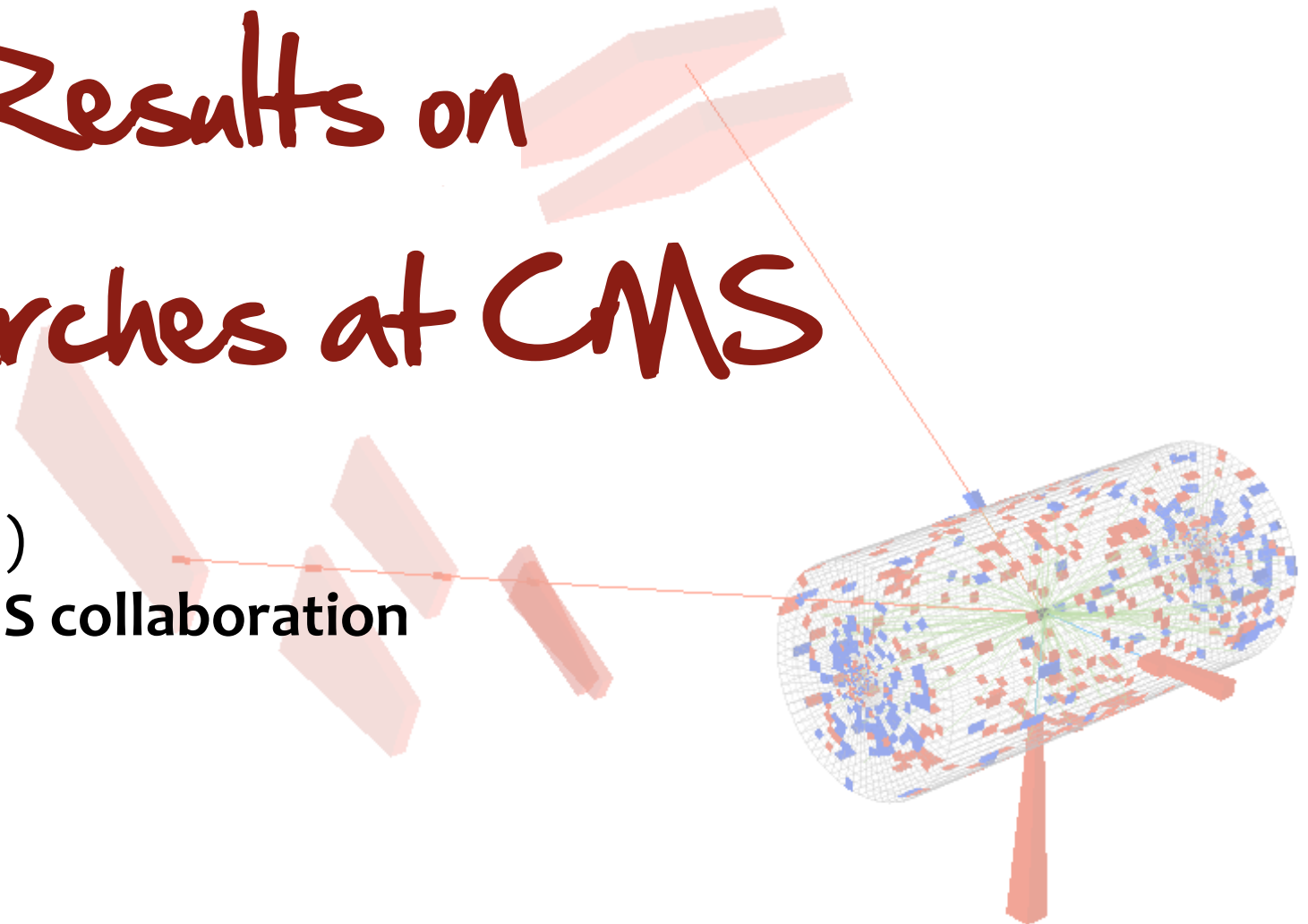




Updated Results on Higgs searches at CMS

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Understanding the TeV Scale Through LHC Data, Dark Matter, and Other Experiments- Workshop

The Galileo Galilei Institute for Theoretical Physics (GGI), Firenze



- The 2011-2012 CMS' Path to the “Higgs”
- The Search
 - The “big five” : $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $H \rightarrow ZZ$, $H \rightarrow WW$, $H \rightarrow bb$, $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$
 - Updated combined results
- The Measurements
 - Mass, Compatibilities with the SM, Spin&Parity

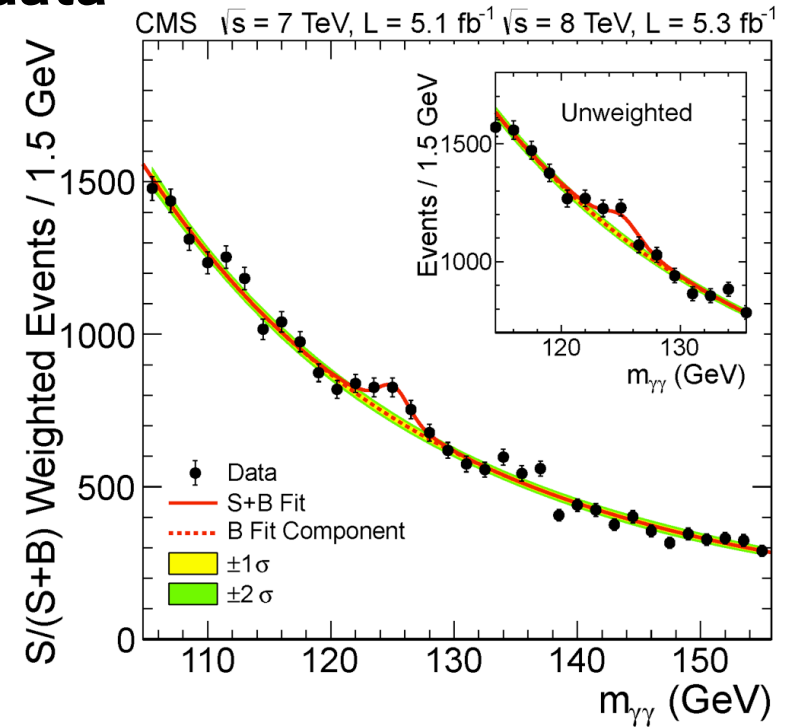
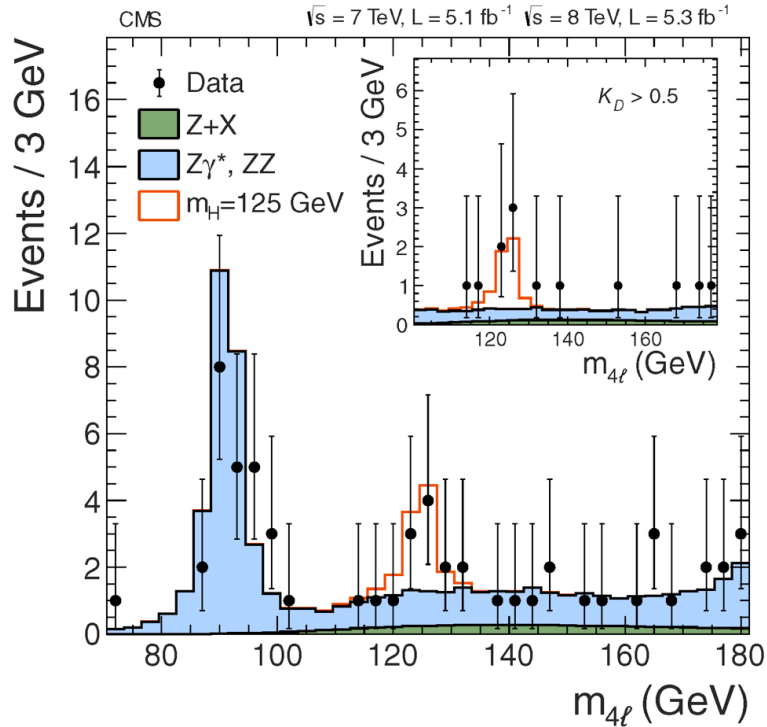


Where CMS stood at ICHEP

$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$

5.1 fb⁻¹ 7TeV data +
5.3 fb⁻¹ 8TeV data

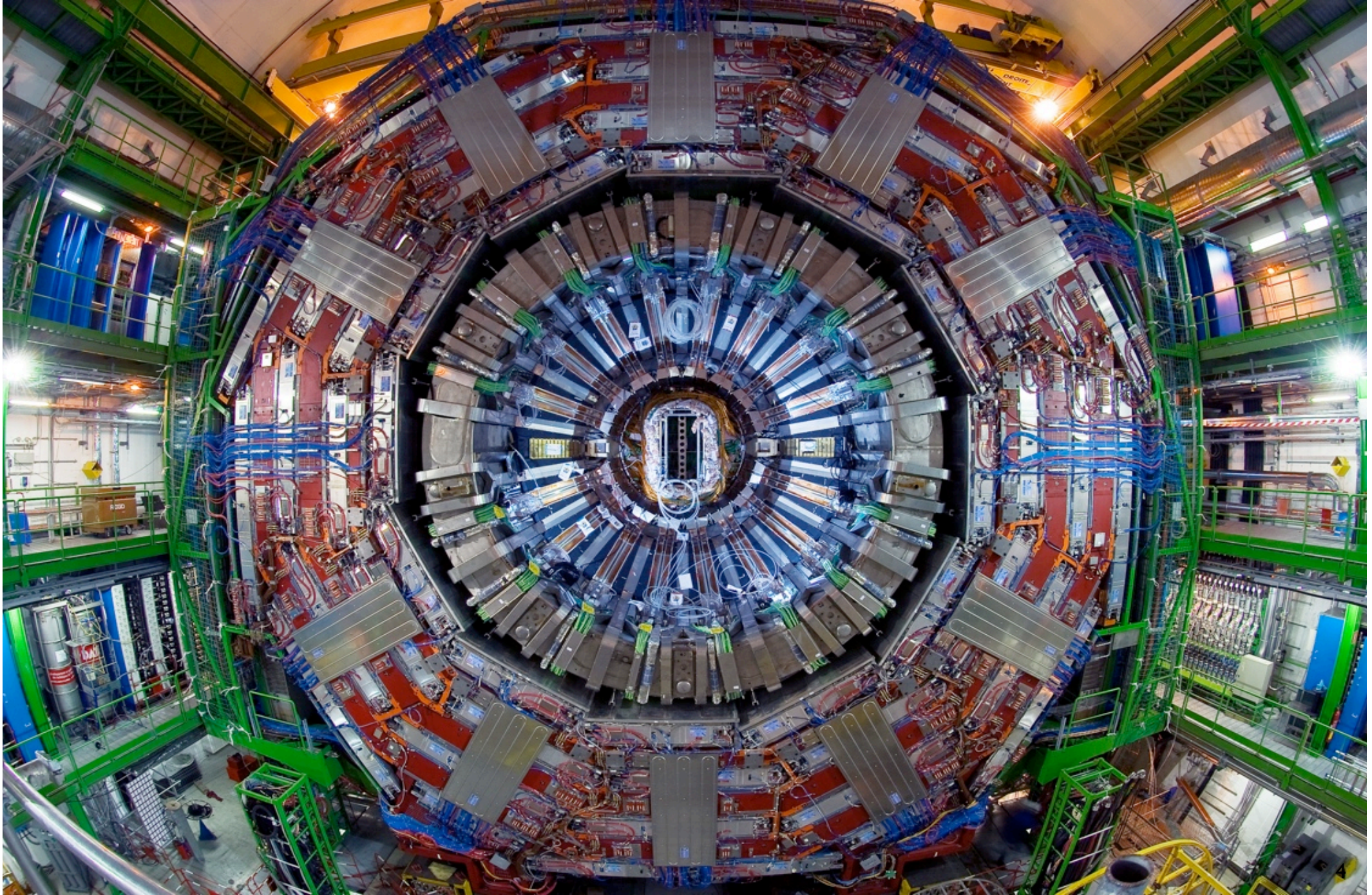
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



Observation of a new boson
Local significance of excess: 5.0 σ
 [expected for a SM Higgs signal 6.0 σ]
 $M_X = 125.3 \pm 0.4(\text{stat}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst.})$

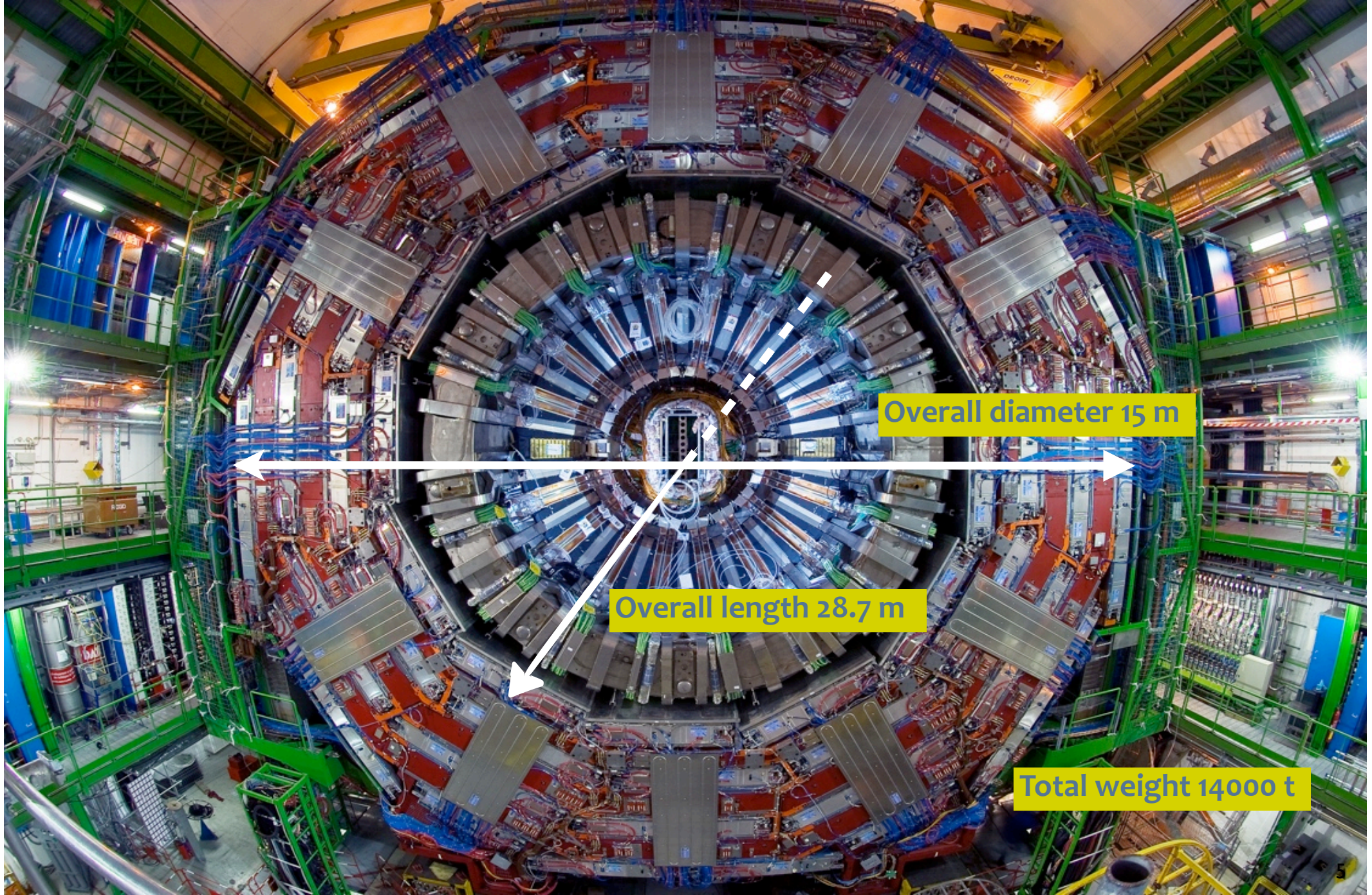


The CMS Detector





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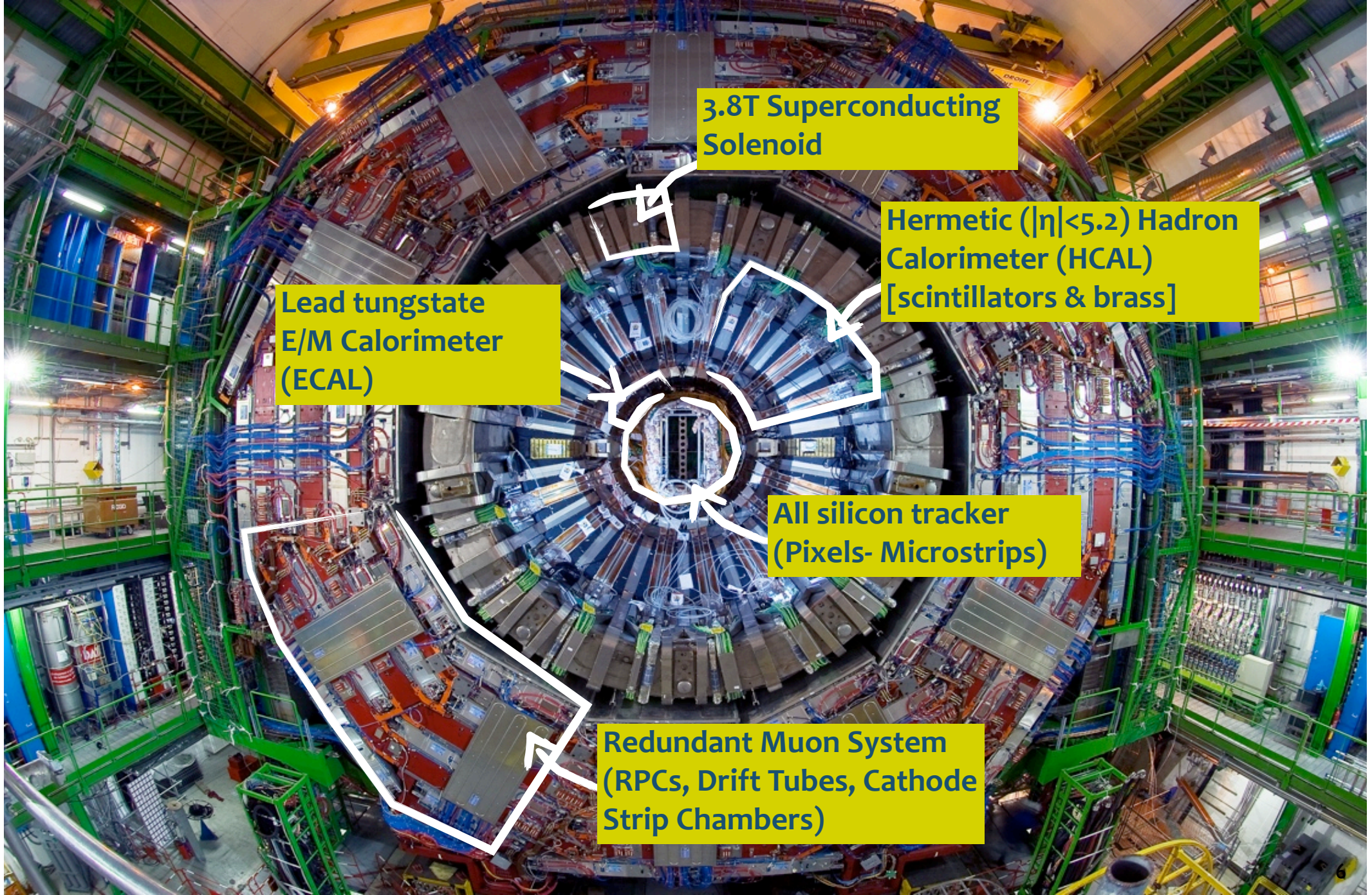


Overall diameter 15 m

Overall length 28.7 m

Total weight 14000 t

The CMS Detector



3.8T Superconducting Solenoid

Hermetic ($|\eta| < 5.2$) Hadron Calorimeter (HCAL)
[scintillators & brass]

Lead tungstate E/M Calorimeter (ECAL)

All silicon tracker
(Pixels- Microstrips)

Redundant Muon System
(RPCs, Drift Tubes, Cathode Strip Chambers)

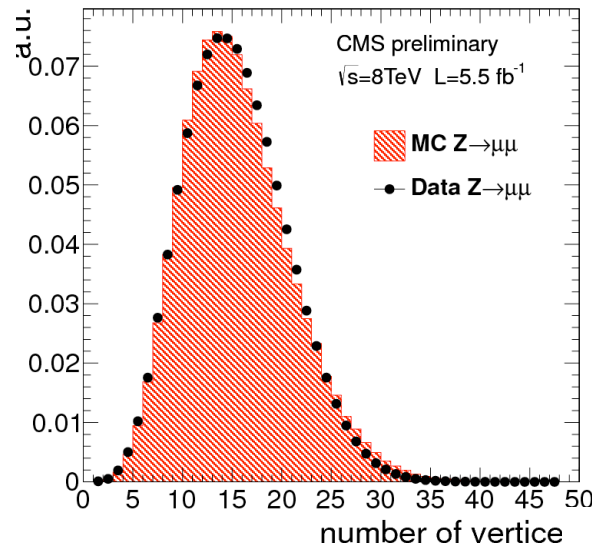
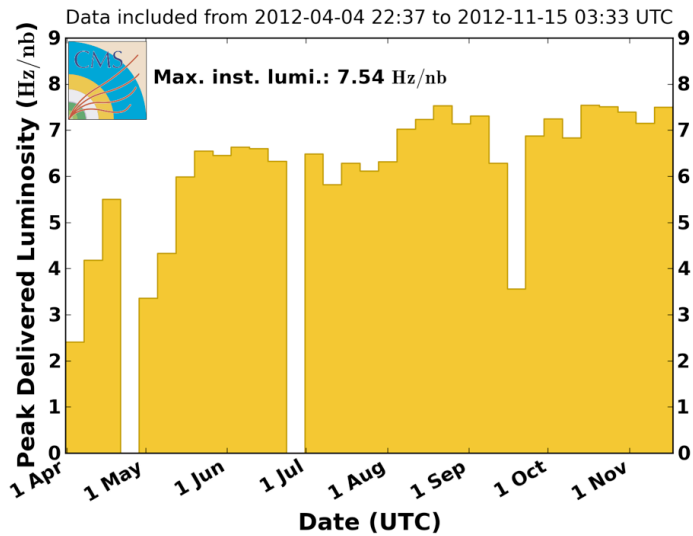


The Luminosity challenge

Instantaneous luminosity up to $\sim 7 \cdot 10^{33}$

20-30 pile-up interactions per bunch crossing

CMS Peak Luminosity Per Week, pp, 2012, $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

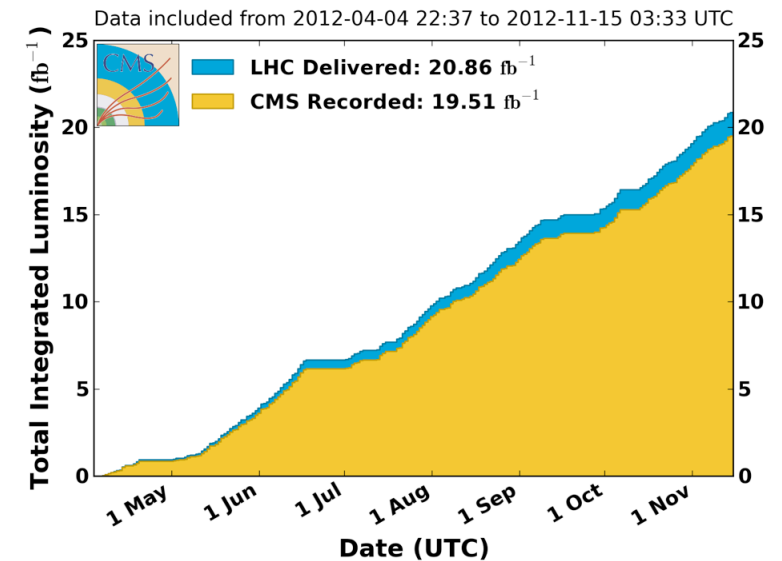


CMS Recorded luminosity as of today (8TeV): **20 fb⁻¹**

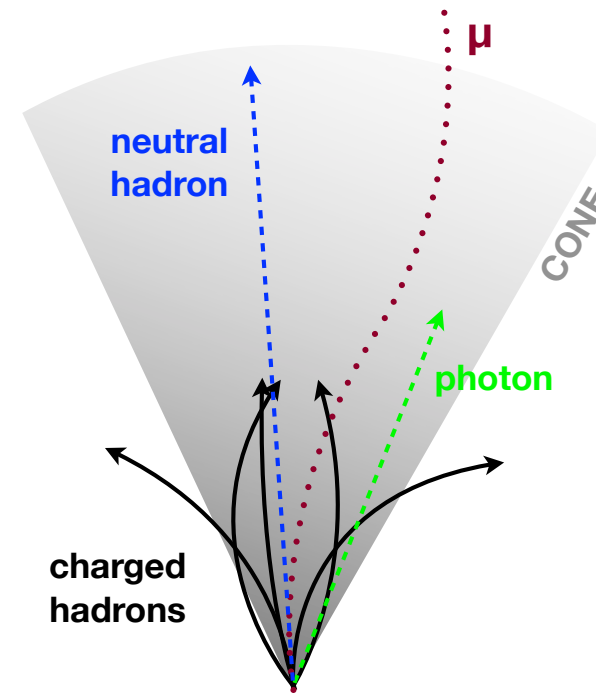
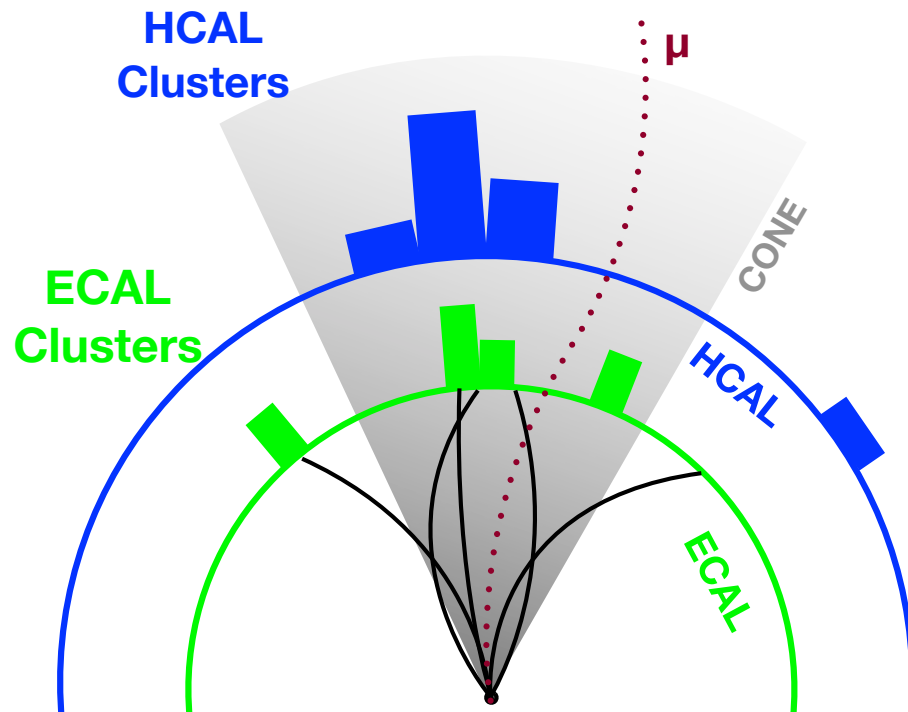
Data analyzed up to now:

5 fb⁻¹ @ 7 TeV
12 fb⁻¹ @ 8 TeV

CMS Integrated Luminosity, pp, 2012, $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV



The CMS Global Event Description



- Rely on high granularity of CMS detector to identify and reconstruct each individual particle in the event: classified into mutually exclusive categories (charged hadrons, neutral hadrons, photons, muons, electrons)
- Allows tagging of charged particles from pile-up: minimize impact of PU on jet reconstruction, and lepton or photon isolation.



Objects: Grand Summary



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CMS Experiment at LHC, CERN
Data recorded: Mon May 28 01:16:20 2012 CEST
Run/Event: 195098 / 35438125
Lumi section: 65
Orbit/Crossing: 16992111 / 2295

Lepton Reconstruction and Identification

Lepton Energy Scale and Resolution

Pile Up Jet ID

MET Performances

Raw $\Sigma E_T \sim 2$ TeV
14 jets with $E_T > 40$
Estimated PU ~ 50



Leptons Identification

Efficiency to select prompt isolated leptons

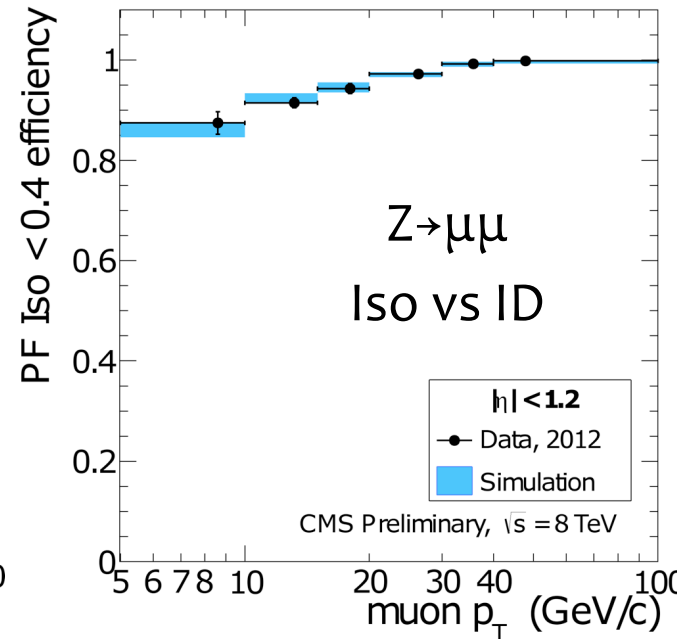
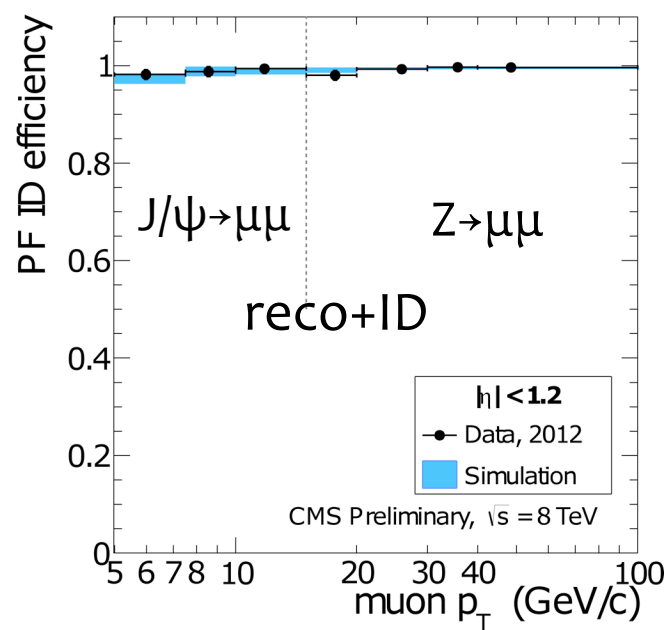
- reconstruction
- identification
- isolation
- IP requirement

computed with TnP techniques

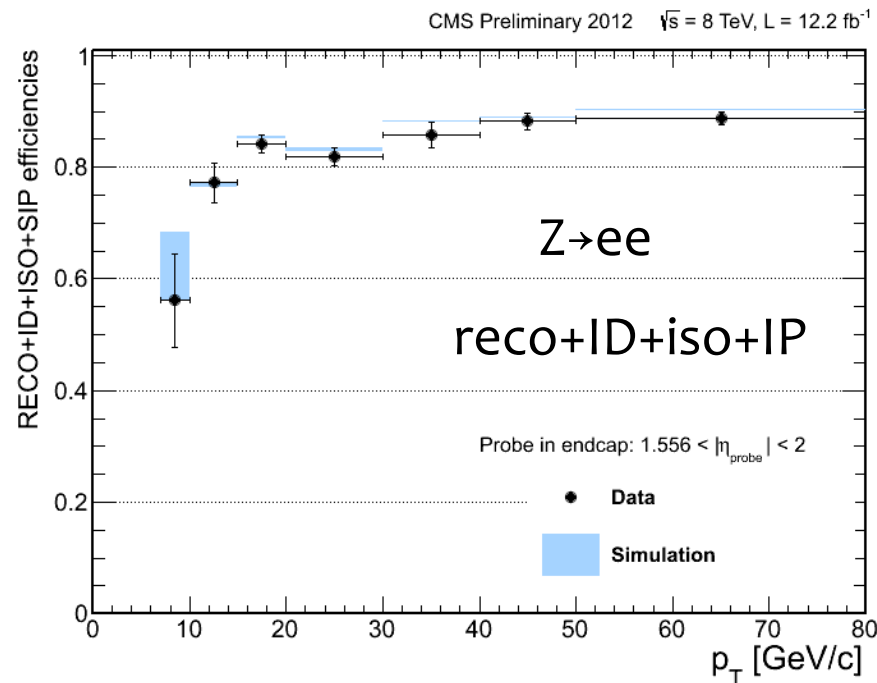
efficiency correction factor

muons: 0.98 - 1.03

electrons: 0.84 - 1.01



Muons

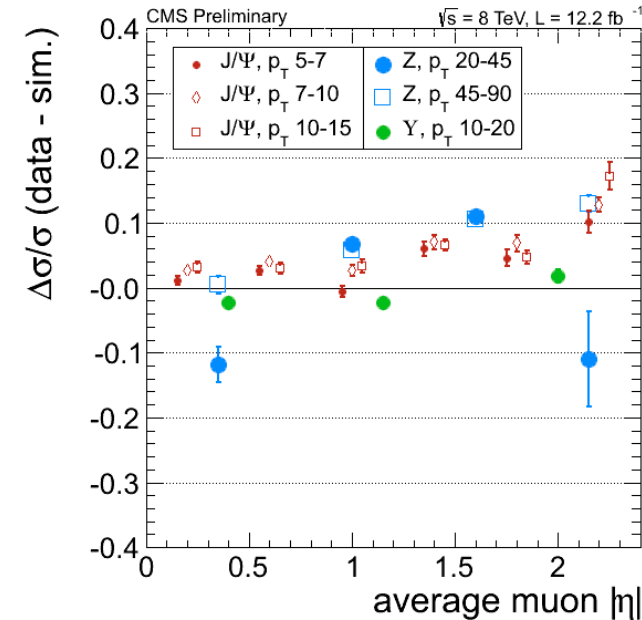
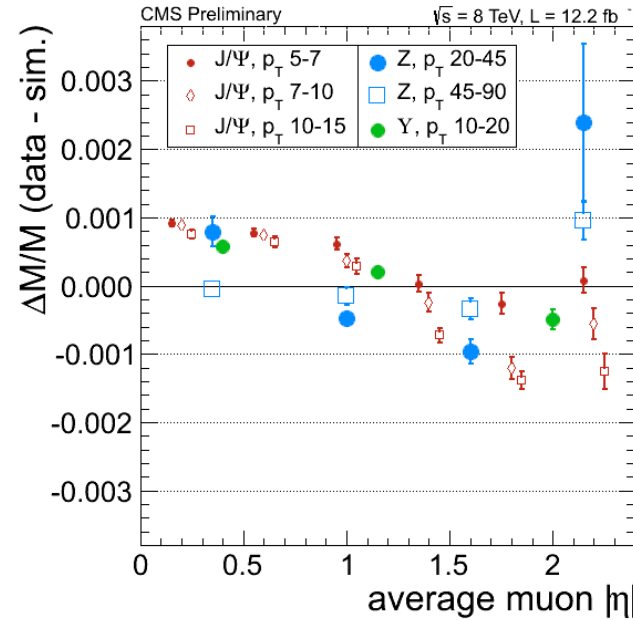


Electrons



Lepton Energy Scale and Resolution

Scale corrections on muon momentum obtained with a calibration procedure on $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ / $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events in data are applied MC is **smeared** to match the resolution in data **NEW!**

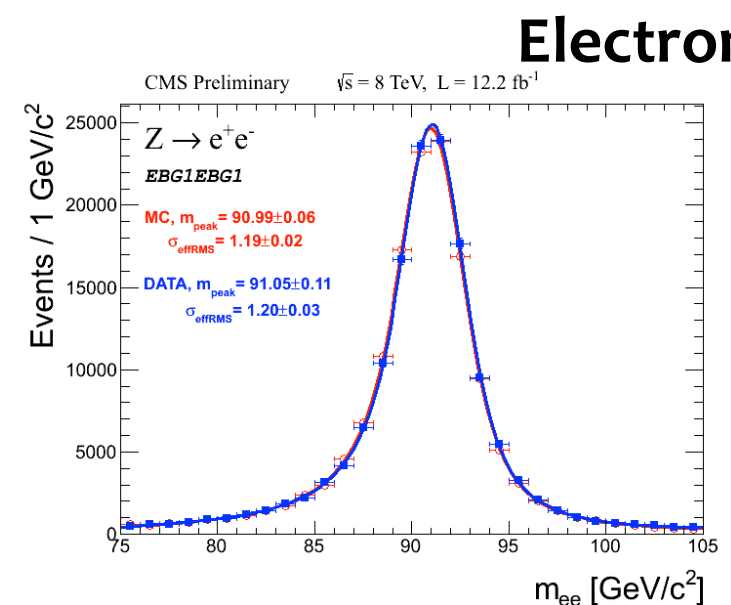
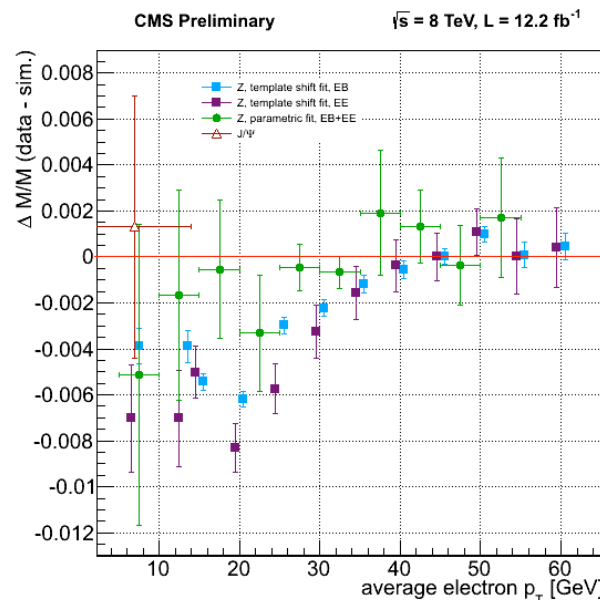


residual DATA/MC difference: ~ 0.1% in scale, 20% in resolution

Muons

The ECAL contribution to the electron momentum and its uncertainty is from an MVA regression approach: **NEW!**
10-15% improvements on resolution

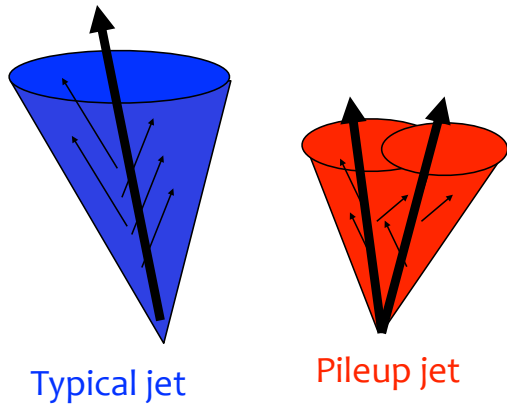
Energy scale and MC smearing obtained from calibration with $Z \rightarrow ee$ events are then applied



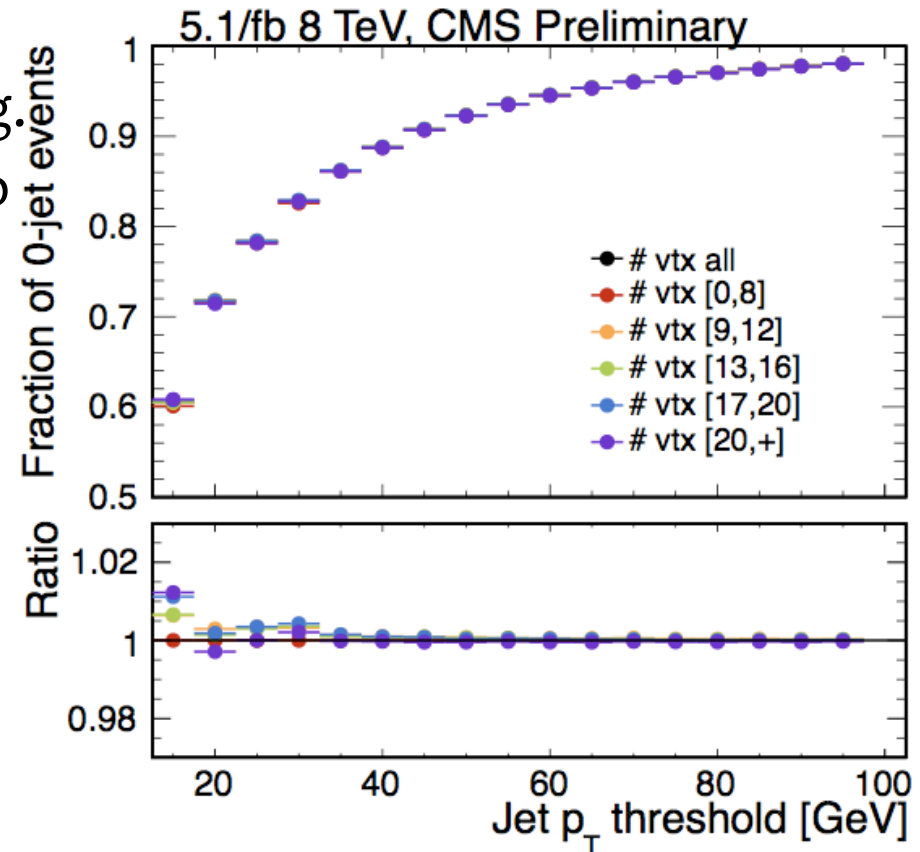
residual DATA/MC difference: ~ 0.4% in scale, 20% in resolution [conservative]

PileUP Jet tagging

PF reconstruction allows to **reject charged particles from PU** in jet building.
 Additional: rejection of jets from PU also outside the tracker coverage, relying on jet shape variables.



Important in **VBF searches**.



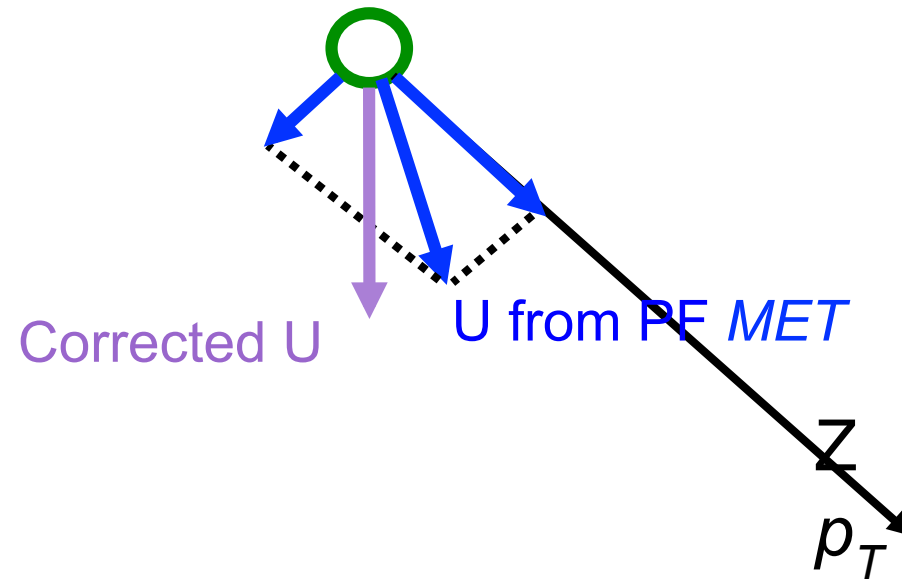
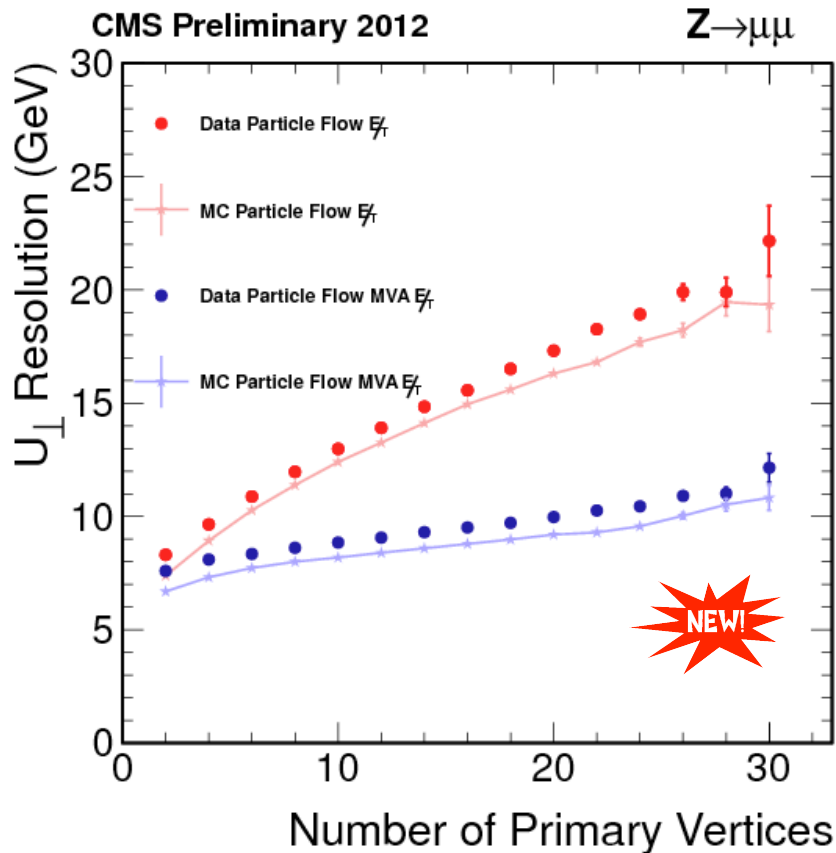
Validation on data:

jet counting in

Z → μμ events vs vertex multiplicity.

Stable to <1% for jet p_T > 20 GeV

MET Performances



- Instead of using PF MET (from all PF candidates) different flavour of MET variables (TK MET, NoPU MET, PU MET, PU corrected MET - in each one some component of the response of the event are removed) are included in a multivariate regression which is trained to measure a correction to the PF MET recoil
- MVA MET in output: better resolution

The Search

The Channels:

- High Resolution channels

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [ICHEP results]

$H \rightarrow ZZ$ [minor changes in the analysis + LUMI UPDATE]

- Low Resolution channels

$H \rightarrow bb$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]

$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]

$H \rightarrow WW$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]



SM Higgs boson with $M_H=125\text{GeV}$ an excellent mass for us

5 decay modes exploited:

$\gamma\gamma$, $b\bar{b}$, $\tau\tau$, WW , ZZ

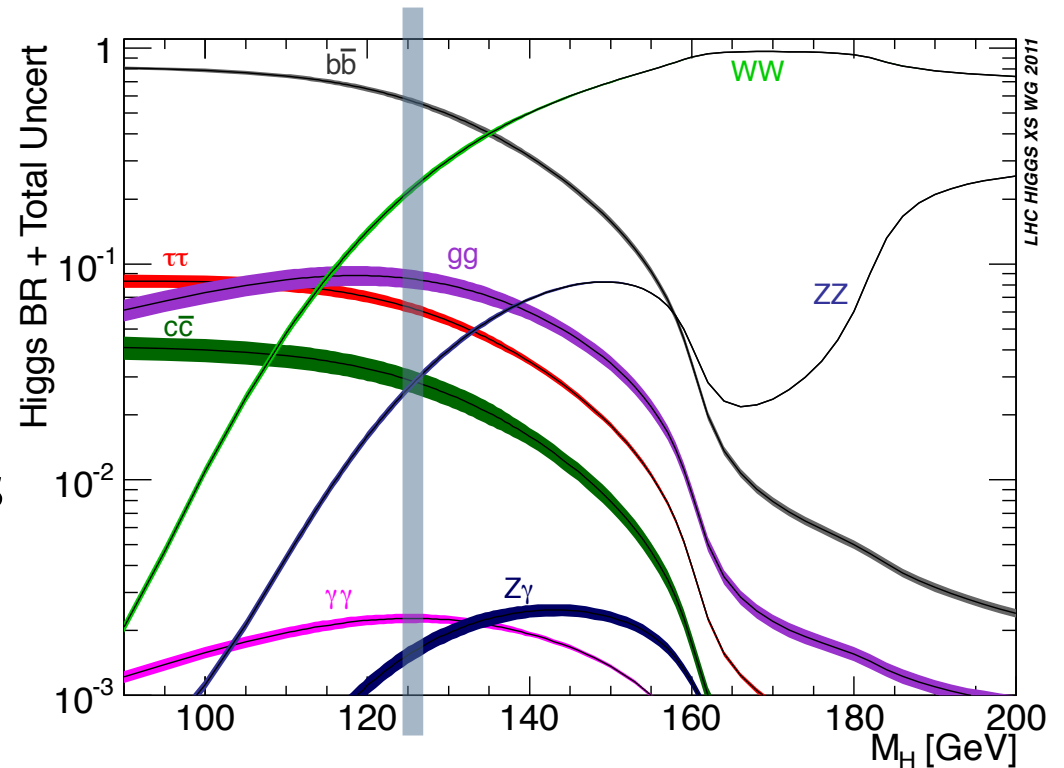
(High Mass: WW , ZZ)

$b\bar{b}$, $\tau\tau$ favoured by BR but challenging channels in huge background environment (bb only from **WH,ZH,ttH**)

$\gamma\gamma$, $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ provide very good mass resolution (1-2%)

- $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ no bkg but very low rate
- $\gamma\gamma$ low S/B

WW no good mass resolution but good S/B also in the low mass region with the leptonic final state



h_{125}

@8TeV >20K of h_{125} / fb



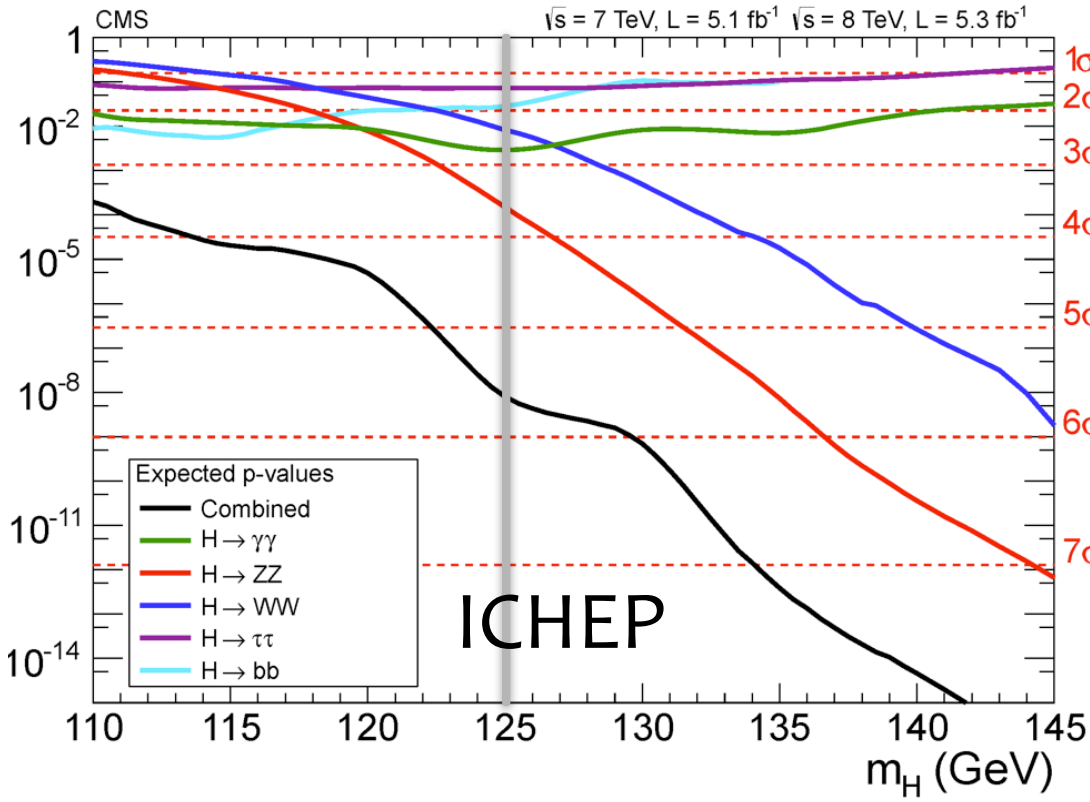
The Big Five: details

H decay	H prod	Exclusive Final States	No. of chan	m_H range [GeV]	m_H resolution	Lumi (fb^{-1}) [7/8 TeV]
H$\rightarrow\gamma\gamma$	untagged	$\gamma\gamma$ (4 diphoton classes)	4	110-150	1-2%	5.1 - 5.3
	VBF-tag	$\gamma\gamma + (jj)_{\text{VBF}}$ (low or high m_{jj} for 8TeV)	1 or 2	110-150	1-2%	5.1 - 5.3
H$\rightarrow bb$	VH-tag	($\nu\nu, ee, \mu\mu, e\nu$, with 2-bjets) \otimes (low or high p_{T}^{ν} or low b-tag)	10 or 13	110-135	10%	5.0 - 12.1
	tt-H tag	(I with 4,5, ≥ 6 jets) \otimes (3, ≥ 4 b-tags) (I with 6 jets with 2 b-tags) (II with 2 or ≥ 3 b-tagged jets)	9	110-140		5.0 - 5.1
H$\rightarrow\tau\tau$	1-jets	($e\tau_h, \mu\tau_h, e\mu, \mu\mu$) \times (low or high $p_{\text{T}}^{\tau\tau}$)	8	110-145	20%	4.9 - 12.1
	VBF-tag	(I with 4,5, ≥ 6 jets) \otimes (3, ≥ 4 b-tags)	4	110-145	20%	4.9 - 12.1
	ZH-tag	(I with 6 jets with 2 b-tags)	8	110-160		5.0 - /
	WH-tag	(II with 2 or ≥ 3 b-tagged jets)	3	110-140		4.9 - /
H$\rightarrow WW\rightarrow l\nu qq$	untagged	($e\nu, \mu\nu$) \otimes ($(jj)_{\text{W}}$ with 0 or 1 jets)	4	170-600	20%	5.0 - 12.1
H$\rightarrow WW\rightarrow l\nu l\nu$	0/1-jets	(DF or SF dileptons) \otimes (0 or 1jets)	4	110-600		4.9 - 12.1
H$\rightarrow WW\rightarrow l\nu l\nu$	VBF-tag	$l\nu l\nu + (jj)_{\text{VBF}}$ (DF or SF dileptons 8TeV)	1 or 2	110-600		4.9 - 12.1
H$\rightarrow WW\rightarrow l\nu l\nu$	WH-tag	$3l3\nu$	1	110-200		4.9 - 5.1
H$\rightarrow ZZ\rightarrow 4l$	inclusive	4e, 4 μ , 2e2 μ	3	110-1000	1-2%	5.0- 12.1
H$\rightarrow ZZ\rightarrow 2l2\tau$	inclusive	(ee, $\mu\mu$) \times ($\tau_h \tau_h, e\tau_h, \mu\tau_h, e\mu$)	8	180-1000	10-15%	5.0- 12.1

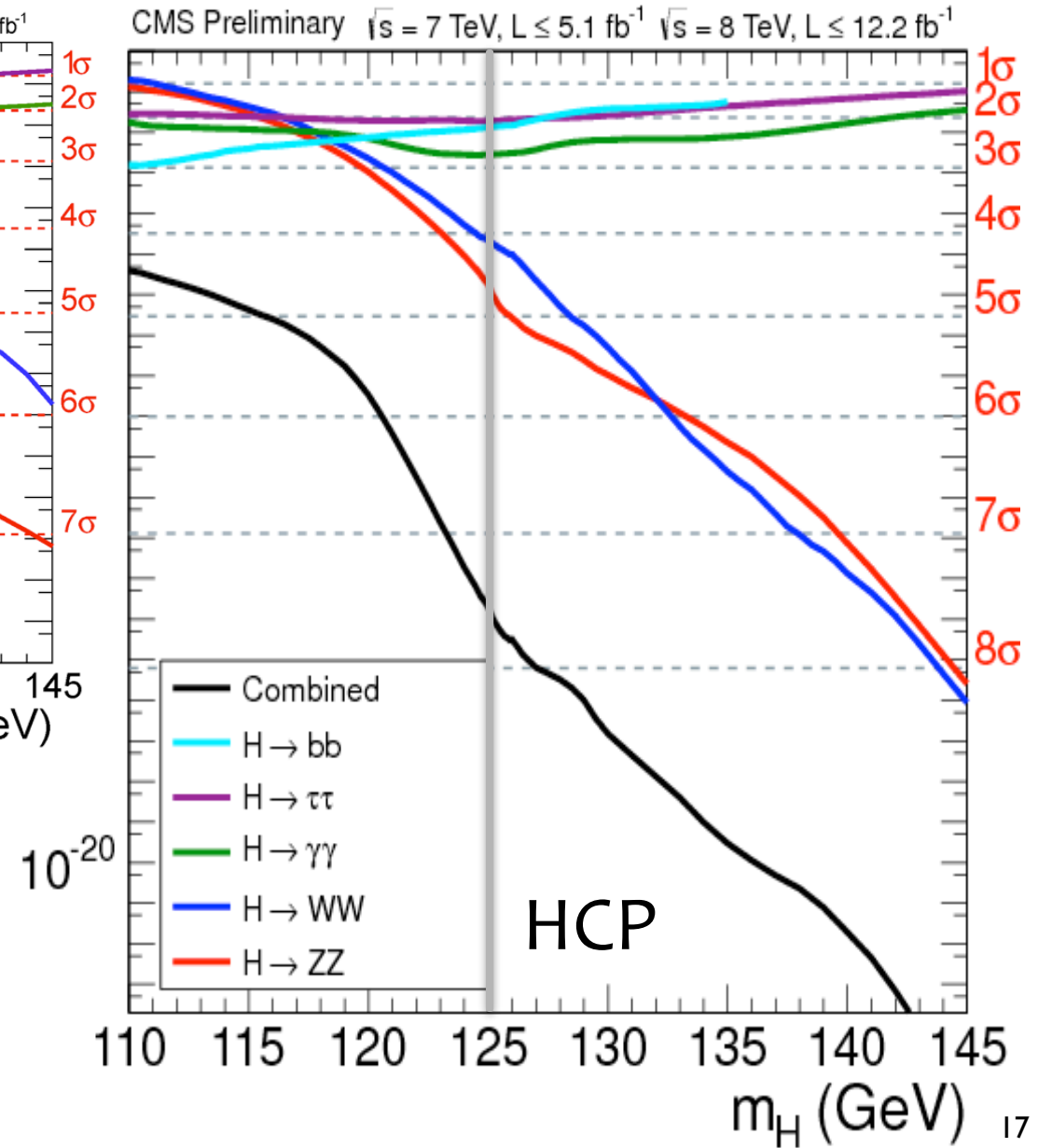


Expected Discovery Potential

Local p-value: Probability for a background fluctuation to give an excess as large as the (average) signal size expected for a SM Higgs



**> 7 σ for $m_H \sim 125$
steeply falling**



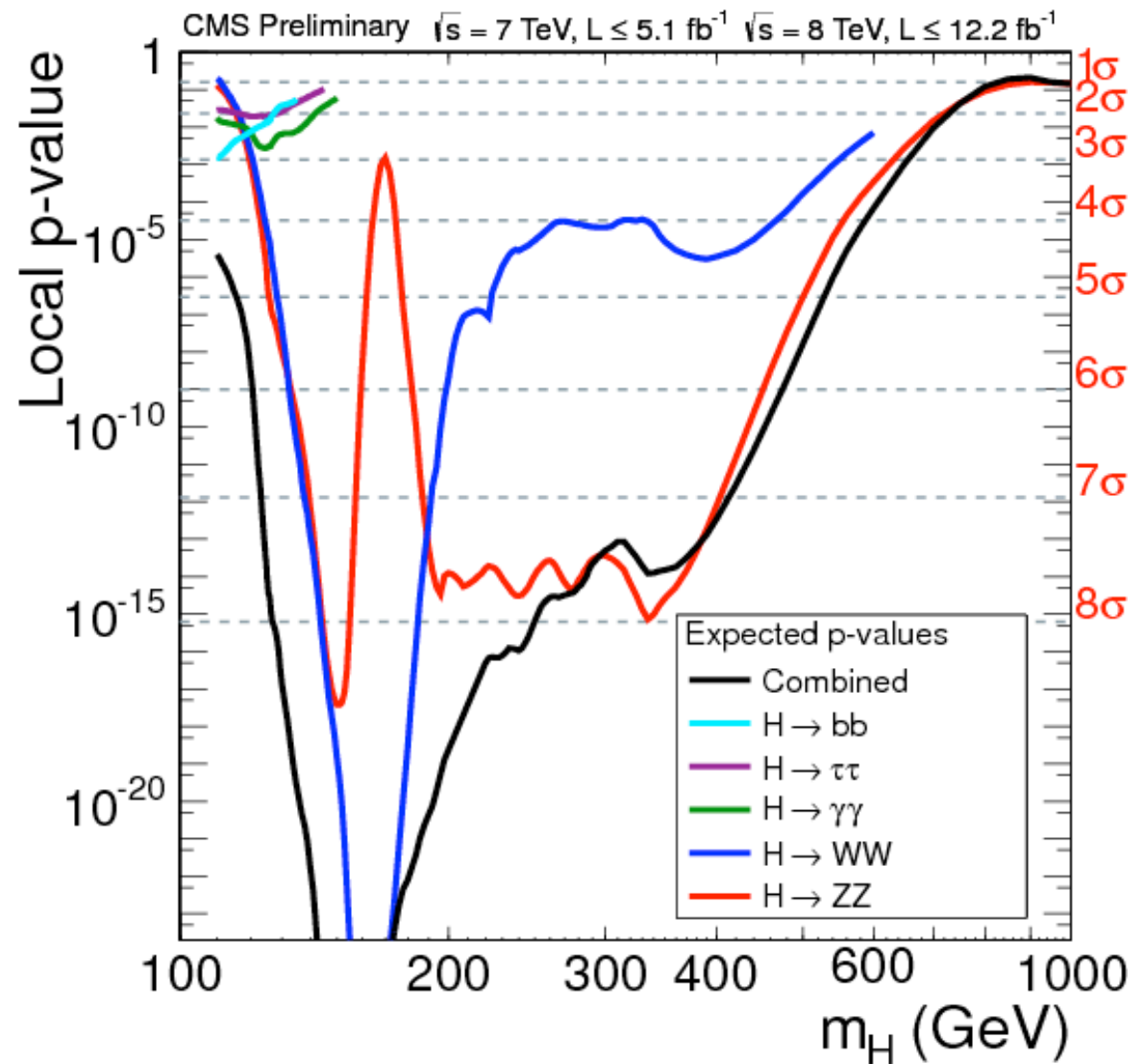


Expected Discovery Potential

Extended up to 1TeV

For $m_H > 120$ GeV
driven by **ZZ** and **WW**

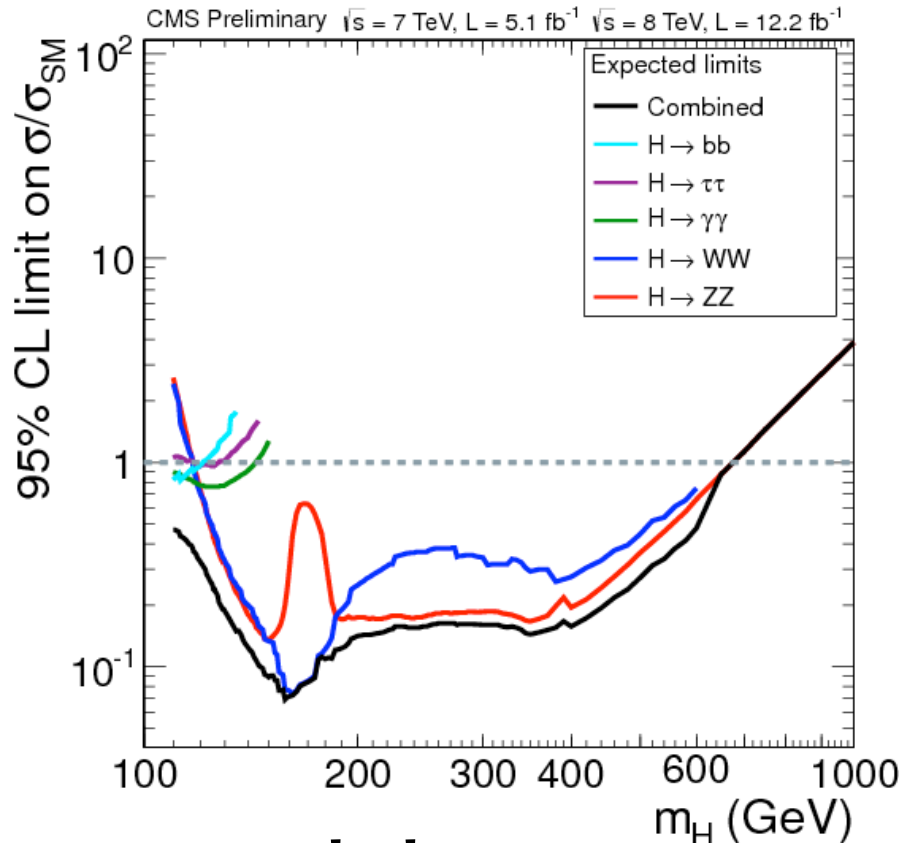
> 5σ up to 500 GeV





Expected Exclusion Potential

The 95% CL upper limits on the cross section ratio σ/σ_{SM} for the SM Higgs as function of m_H

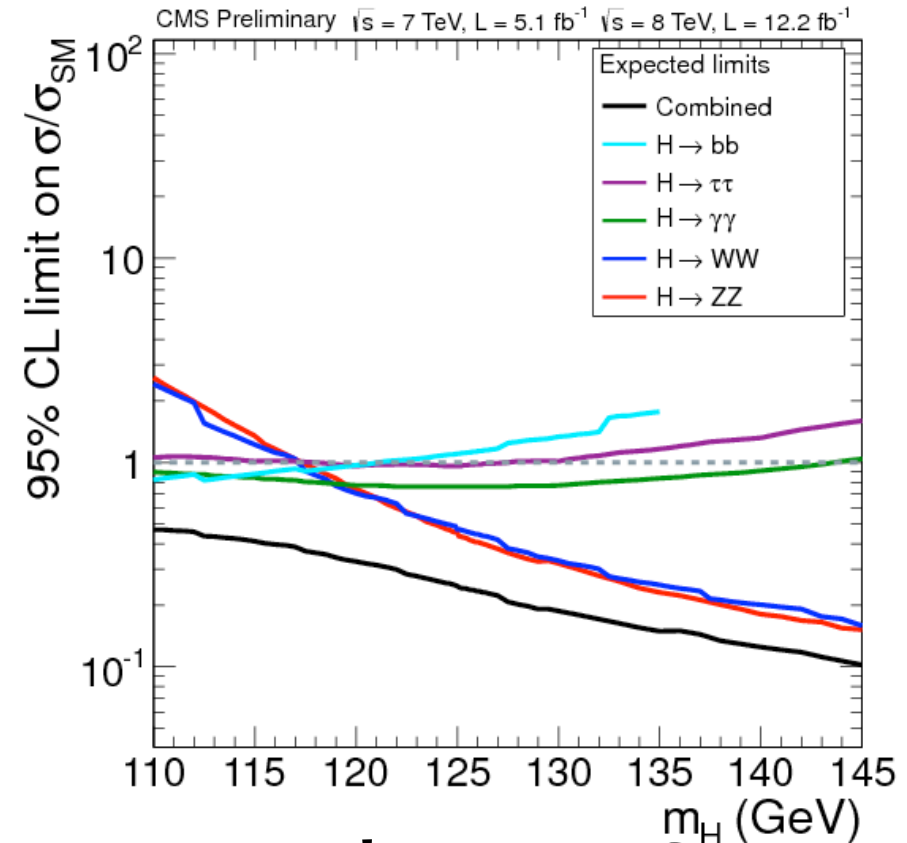


Extended up to 1TeV

For $m_H > 120$ GeV

driven by **ZZ** and **WW**

< 0.3XSM up to ~500 GeV (1XSM up to ~700 GeV)



Around $m_H \sim 125$ GeV

driven by **ZZ**, **WW**, **γγ**

The Channels:

- High Resolution channels

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [ICHEP results]

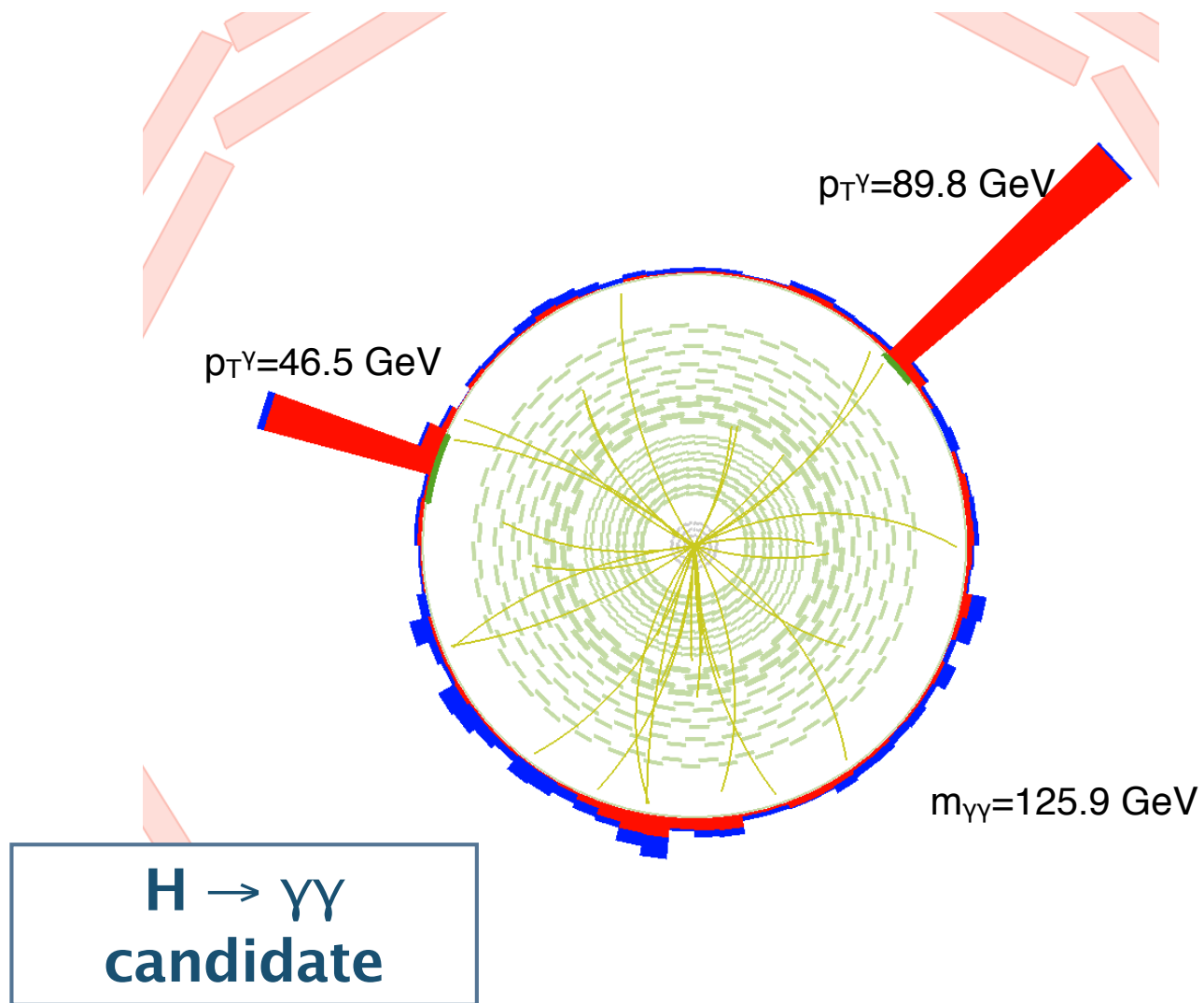
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$H \rightarrow WW$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]





H \rightarrow $\gamma\gamma$ analysis in a nut shell

Search for a narrow peak with two isolated high E_T photons on a smoothly falling background.

High resolution: $\Delta M/M \sim 1-2\%$

Analysis optimized categorizing events according to purity and mass resolution specific **di-jet tag categories targeting VBF** production mode (Higher S/B)

Main analysis:

- uses MVA techniques for both photon identification and event classification
- background model derived from a fit to the data di-photon mass spectrum

Independent cross checks analysis:

- cut-based analysis with same background model
- same MVA techniques but background estimated from side-band

**5.1 fb⁻¹ @ 7 TeV (2011) + 5.3 fb⁻¹ @ 8 TeV (2012): HIG-12-015
analysis not updated since ICHEP**



Event Classification

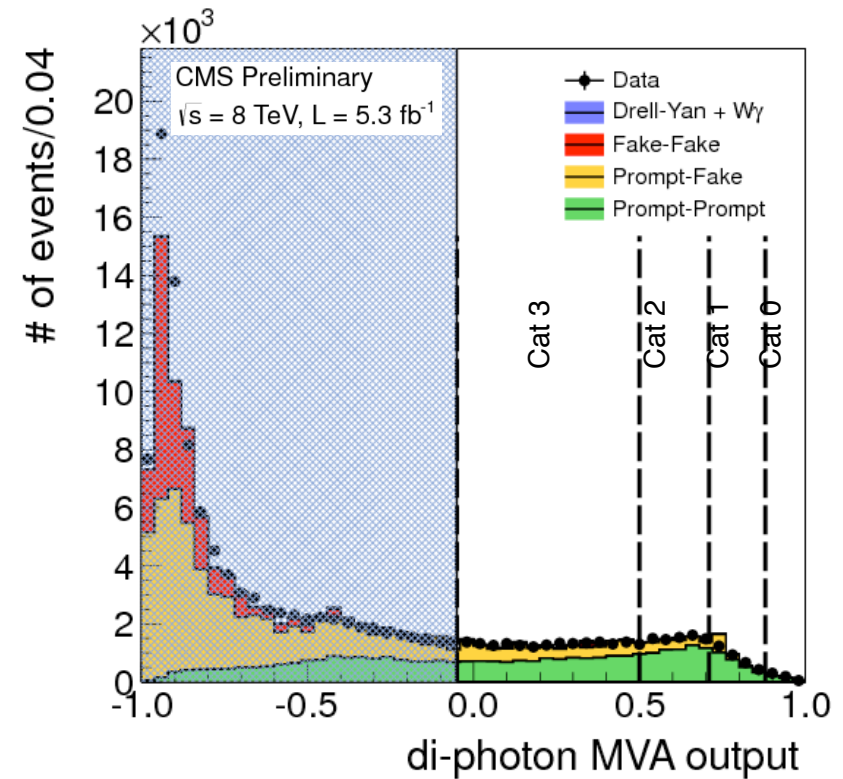
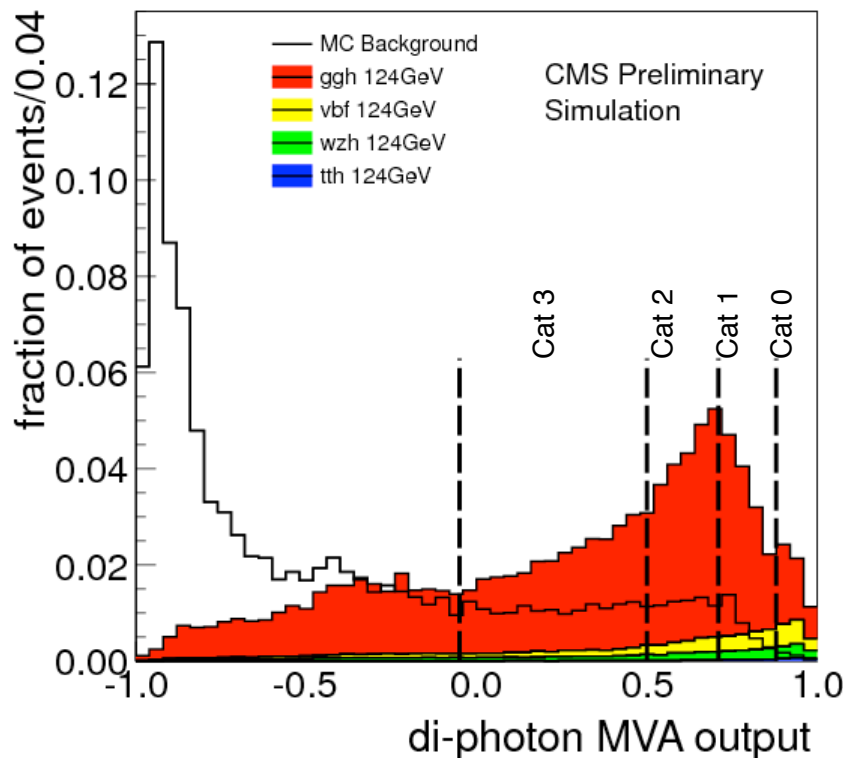
The $\gamma\gamma$ MVA - Event classifier variable trained on signal and bkg MC with input variables:

kinematic variables (p_T and η of each γ , and $\cos\Delta\phi$ between the 2 γ)

photon ID MVA output for each γ

per-event mass resolution

vertex probability (from another MVA)

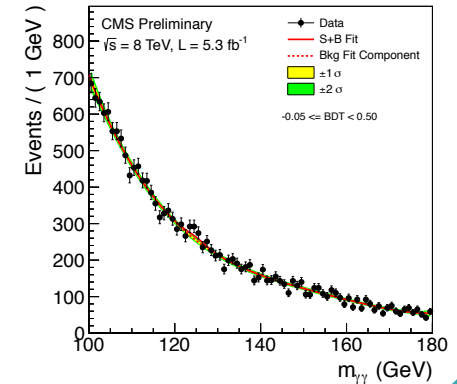
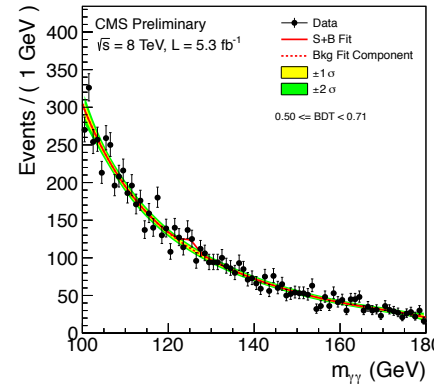
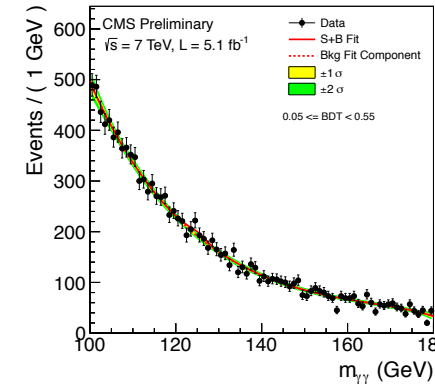
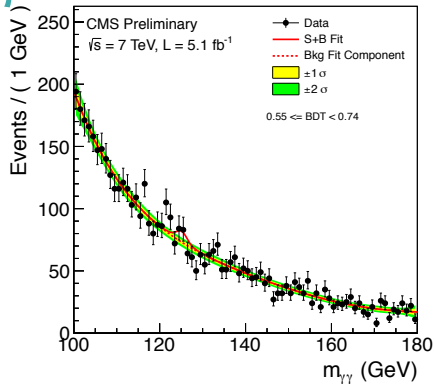
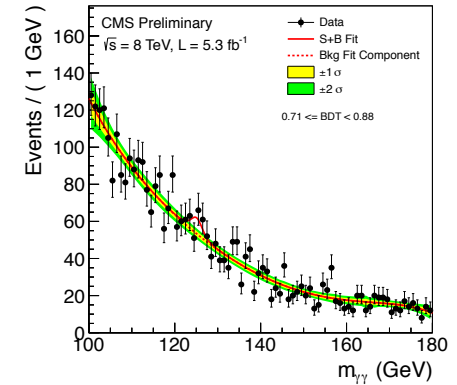
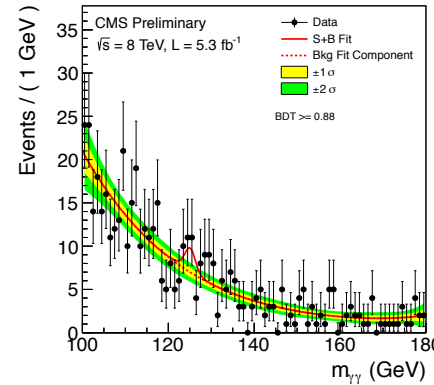
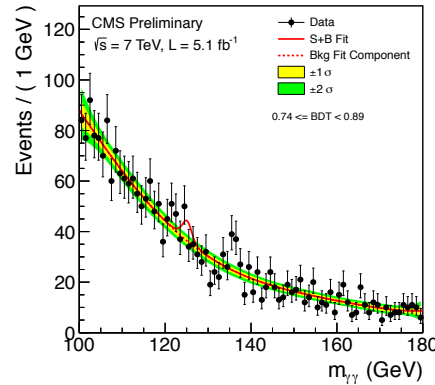
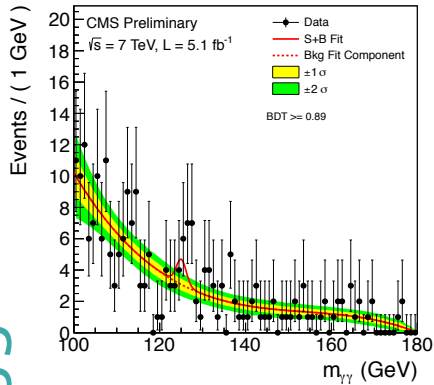




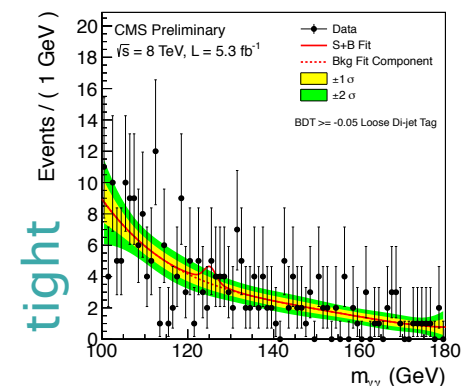
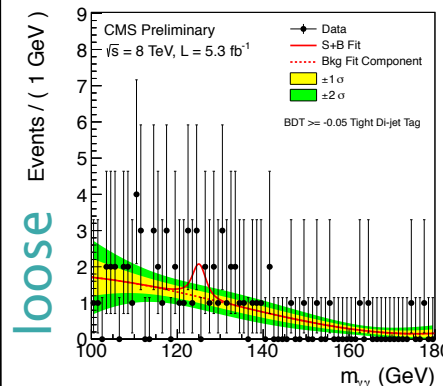
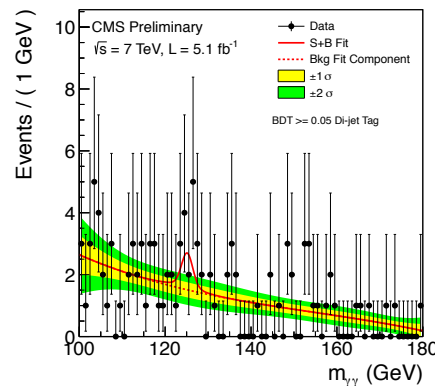
Mass distributions in categories

7 TeV (5 categories) 8 TeV (6 categories)

Untagged



Di-Jet



loose

tight



Results

With a simultaneous maximum-likelihood fit of all the categories the statistical interpretation is obtained:

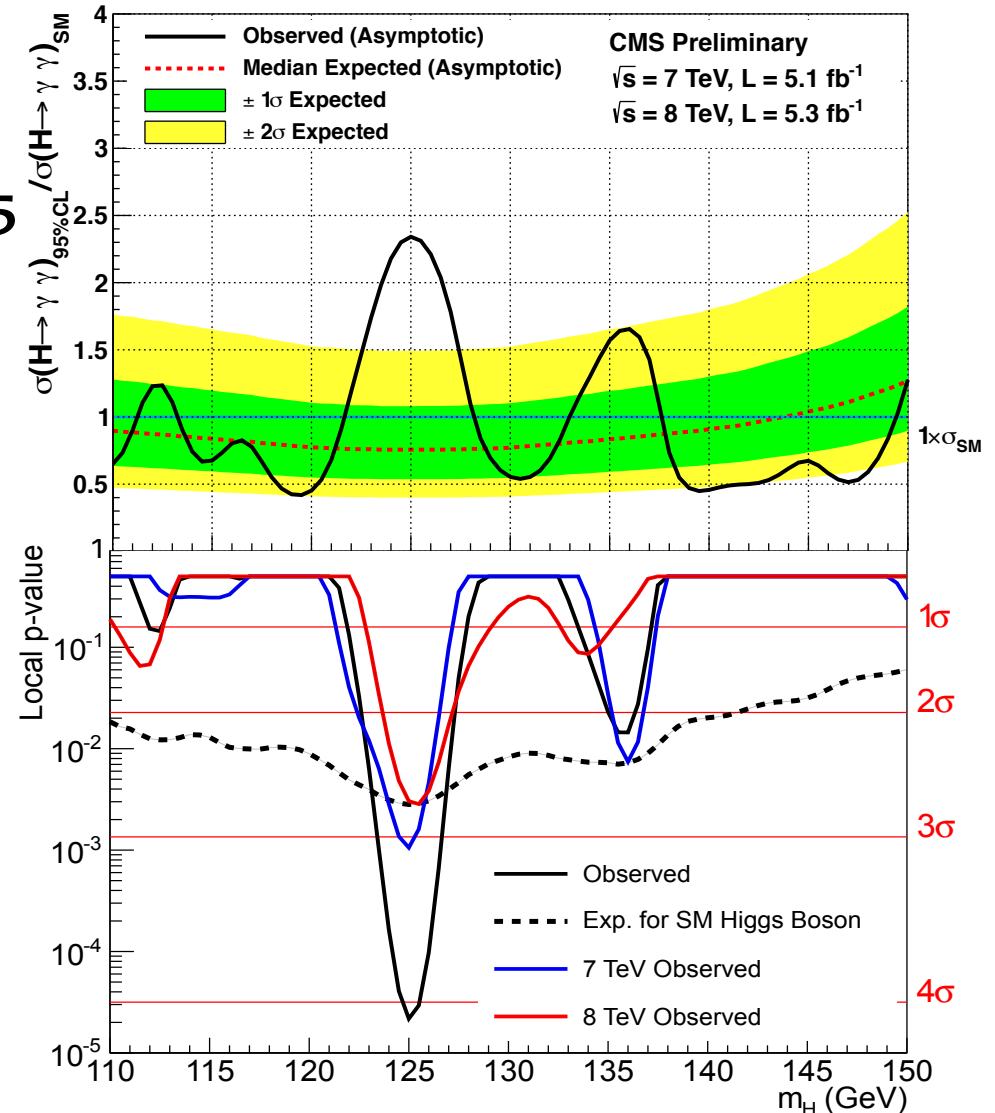
Largest excess at 125 GeV

- expected 95% CL exclusion $0.76 \times \text{SM}$ @ 125

Minimum p-value at 125 GeV with local significance 4.1σ

- global significance in full search range 110-150 GeV is 3.2σ
- fitted signal strength $\mu(125) = 1.56 \pm 0.43$

Similar excess in 2011 & 2012



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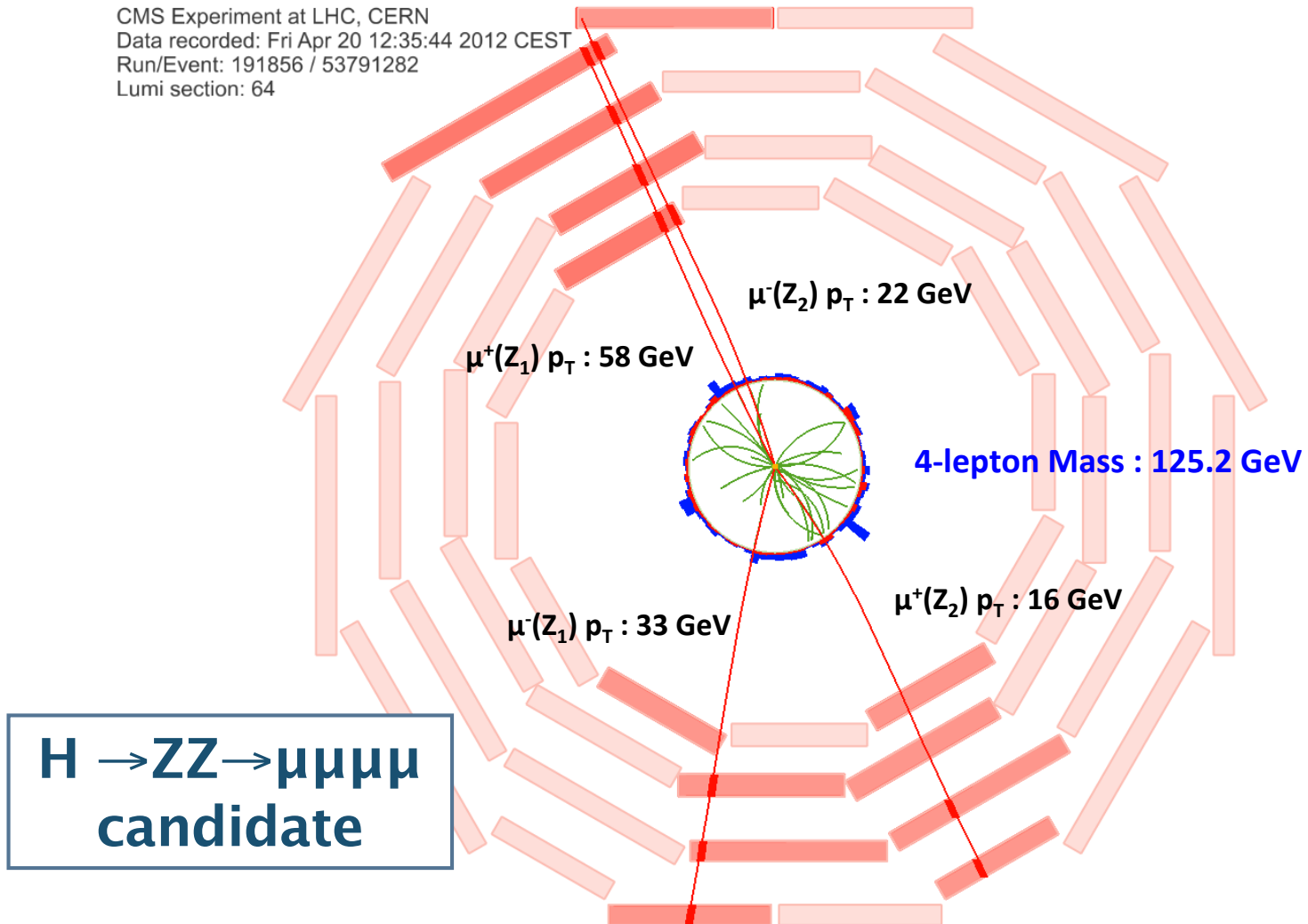
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CMS Experiment at LHC, CERN
Data recorded: Fri Apr 20 12:35:44 2012 CEST
Run/Event: 191856 / 53791282
Lumi section: 64





HZZ4l analysis in a nut shell

Search for a narrow peak in the 4l mass spectrum on top of a flat and small bkg

Number of events small

Requires maximum signal efficiency: 4 isolated leptons from primary vertex

**THE MUSTS: Excellent lepton reconstruction+identification
and energy-momentum measurement**

Inclusive search; signal yield dominated by $gg \rightarrow H$

High resolution: $\Delta M/M \sim 1\%$

Backgrounds include

SM ZZ [irreducible]

Z/ tt + fake leptons or leptons from HF [reducible]

**5.1 fb⁻¹ @ 7 TeV (2011) + 12.2 fb⁻¹ @ 8 TeV (2012): HIG-12-041
analysis updated since ICHEP: minimal changes
2/3% higher efficiency and lower systematic on energy scale**



OS/SF

Nearest to the Z Mass

$40 < m_{Z1} < 120 \text{ GeV}$

γ

$\mu p_T > 5, \eta < 2.4$

$e p_T > 7, \eta < 2.5$

Any 2 leptons
with $p_T > 20, 10 \text{ GeV}$
All leptons after isolation
and IP cut

OS/SF

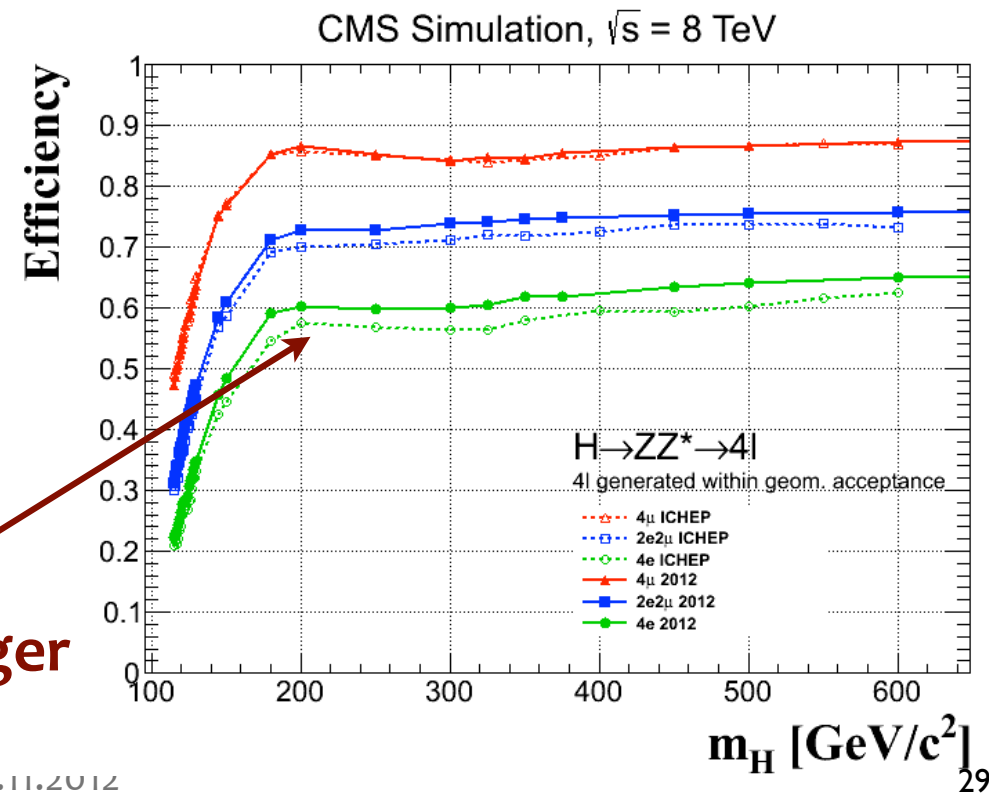
Highest Sum p_T

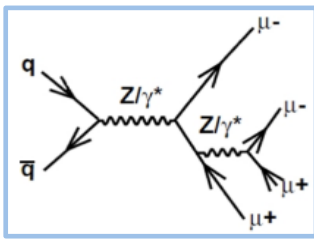
$12 < m_{Z1} < 120 \text{ GeV}$

NEW! Adding tri-lepton trigger

Event Selection

- Any OS/SF lepton pair must have $M_{ll} > 4 \text{ GeV}$ [to suppress QCD]
- FSR Recovery [photons added to the Z candidates before cuts]





M41 spectrum

Z->4l peak

good DATA/MC agreement
127 expec/115 obs

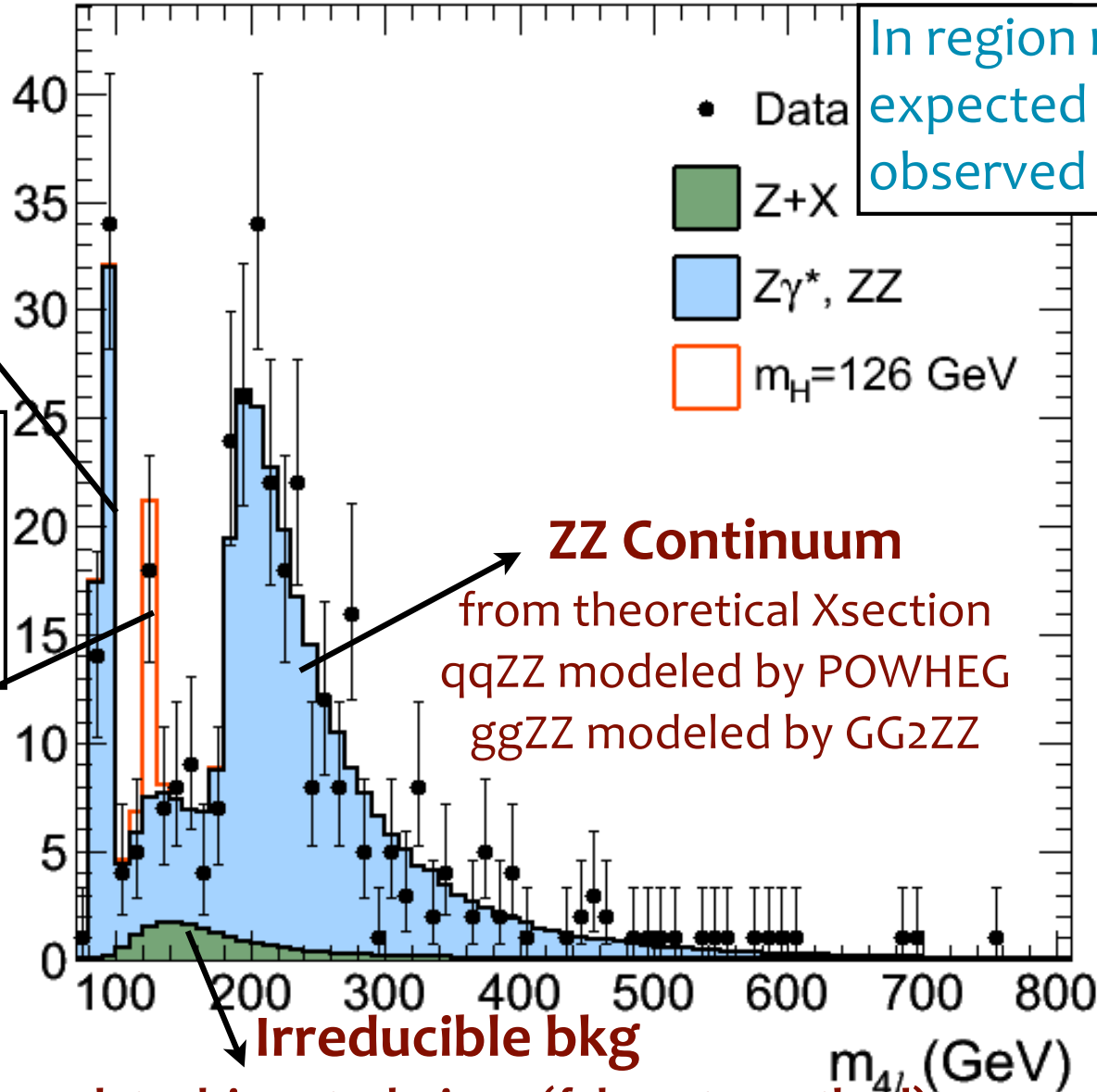
CMS preliminary $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}, L = 5.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}, L = 12.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Events / 10 GeV

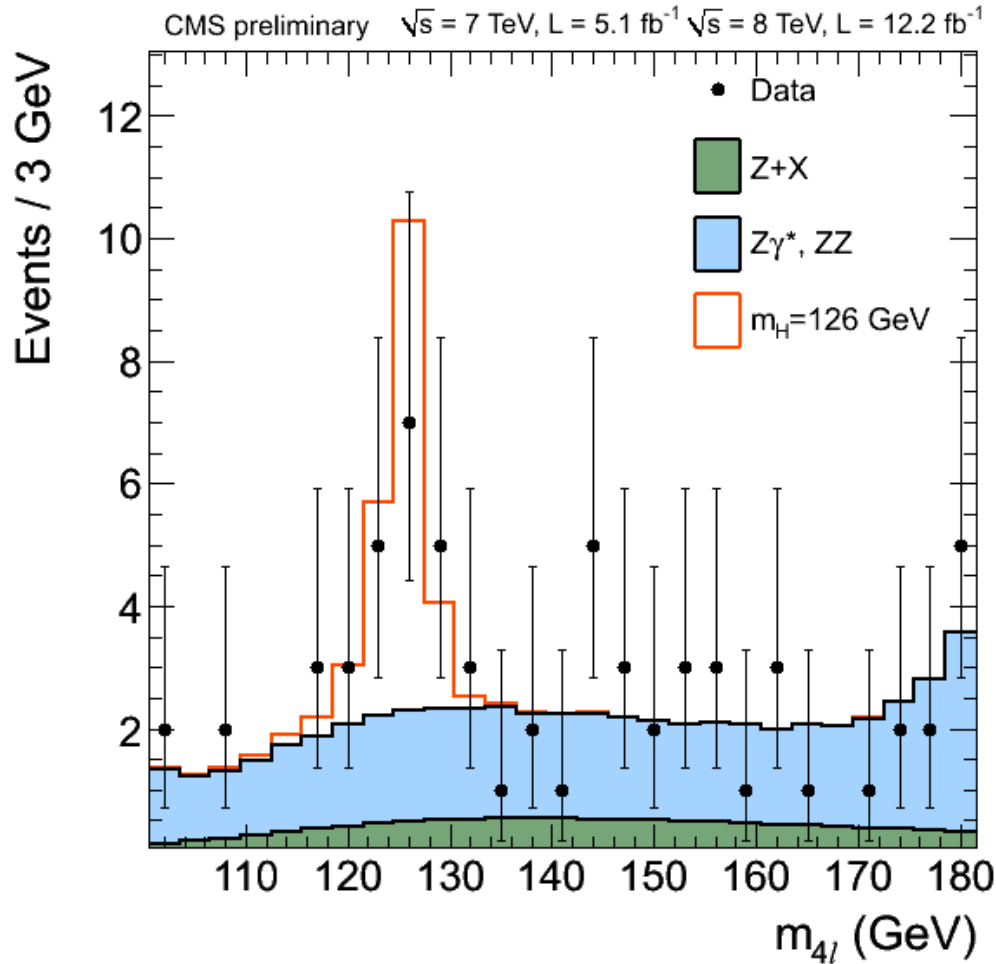
In region $m_{4l} [140-300]$
expected 222 events
observed 224 events

Data/MC scale factors
[lepton reco/id/
isolation/vertexing]
applied

**h_{125} excess
still there!**



M4l spectrum @ ~125



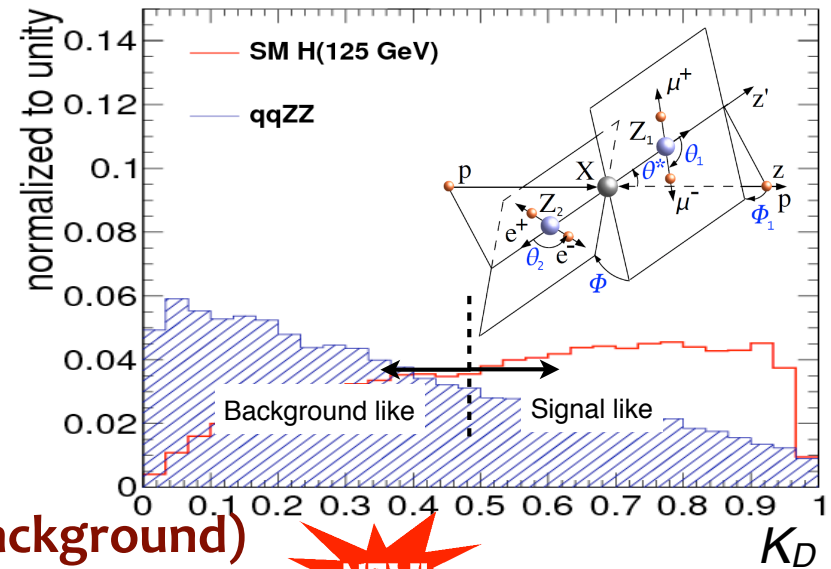
In region $m_{4l} [121.5-130.5]$
 expected 19 S+B events
 observed 17

	Exp. Bkg	$m_H = 126$	Obs
4e	1.25	2.20	3
4 μ	2.09	4.26	6
2e2 μ	3.14	5.97	8
TOT	6.48	12.43	17

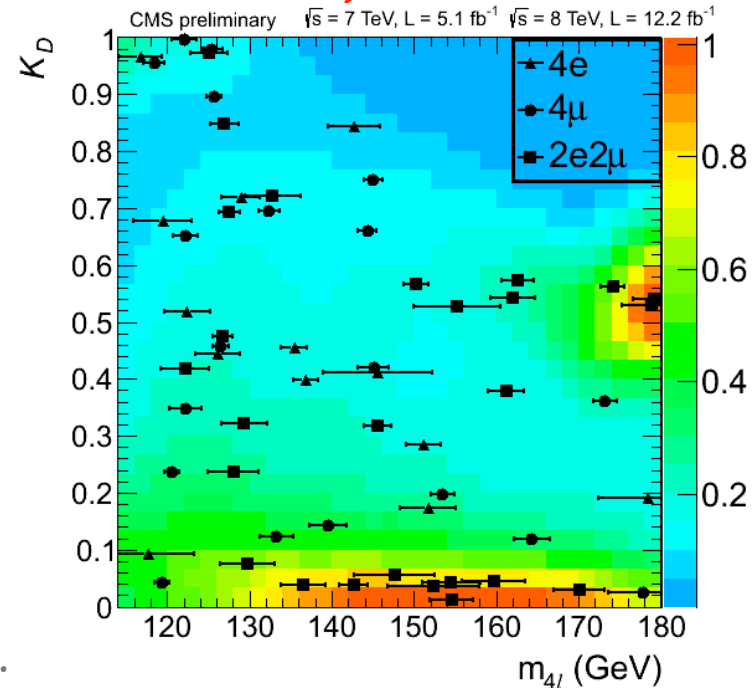
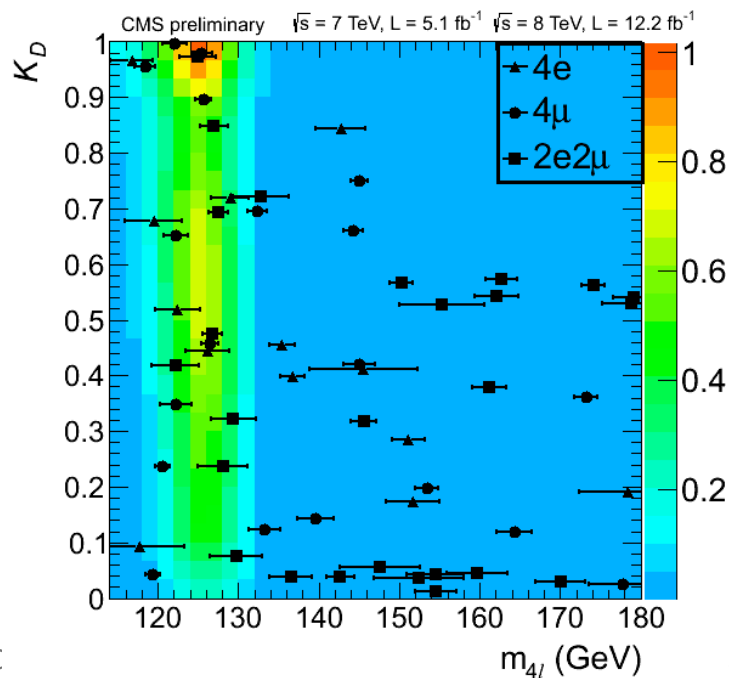
Matrix Element Likelihood Approach

A kinematic discriminant (K_D or MELA) is constructed based on the probability ratio of the signal and background hypotheses

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



Moved to fully analytical approach (signal and background)
 1% better significance @ 125 and 5% better limits at high mass

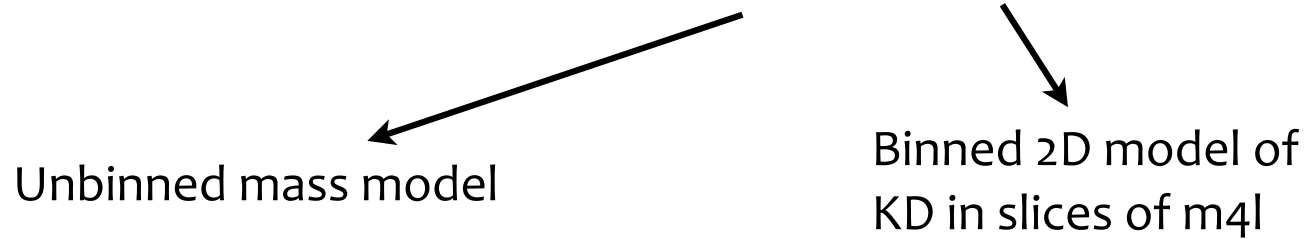




2D Fit for the statistical analysis

The likelihood used in the test statistic to extract limits and p-values is for the 4l analysis a 2D PDF obtained as:

$$P(m_{4\ell}, K_D) = P(m_{4\ell}) \times P(K_D | m_{4\ell})$$



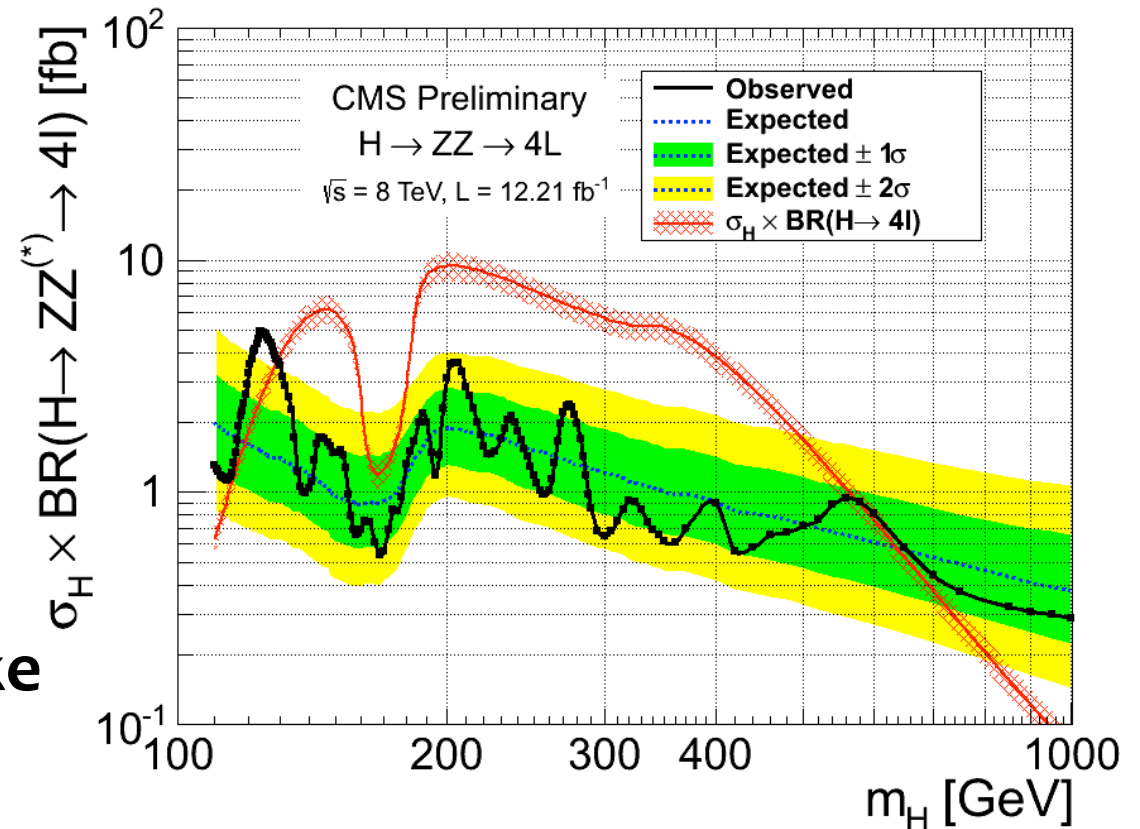
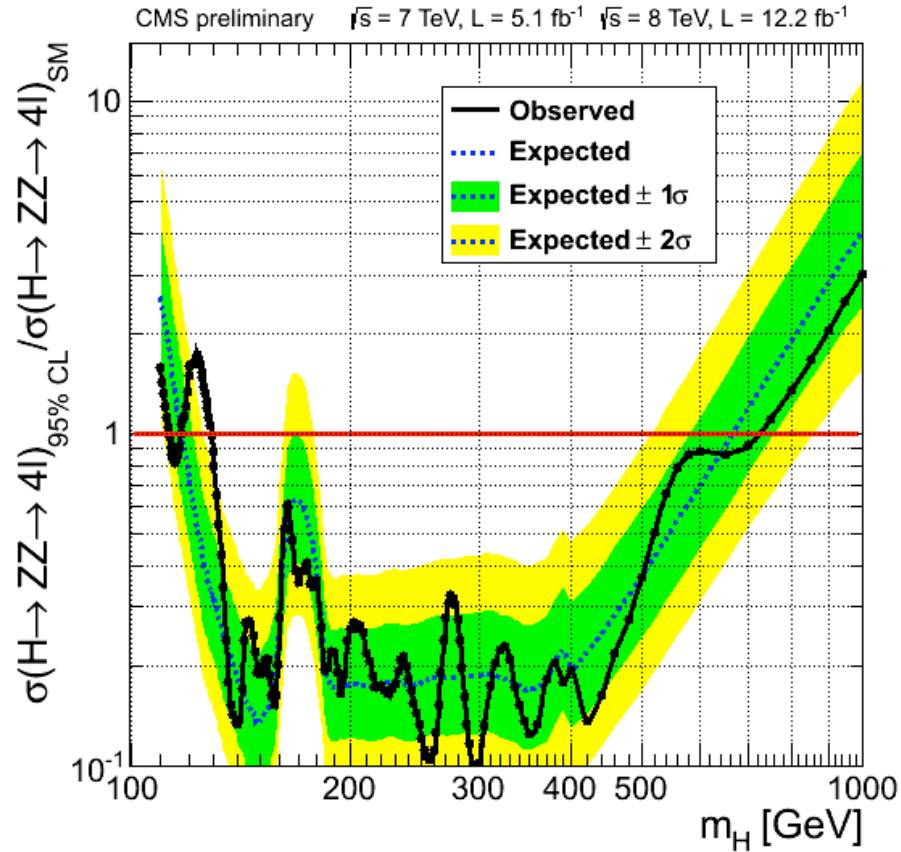
[all shape and normalization systematics are introduced as nuisance parameters]

Signal shape modeling: using convolution of double-sided crystal ball convoluted with Relativistic Breit Wigner



Background shape modeling: empirical parametrization distributions for $qq \rightarrow ZZ$ and $gg \rightarrow ZZ$

The 95% CL upper limits on the cross section ratio σ/σ_{SM} for the SM Higgs as function of m_H



Excluding other “SM-Higgs” like bosons up to 700 GeV

The 95% CL upper limits on the cross section $\sigma \cdot BR$

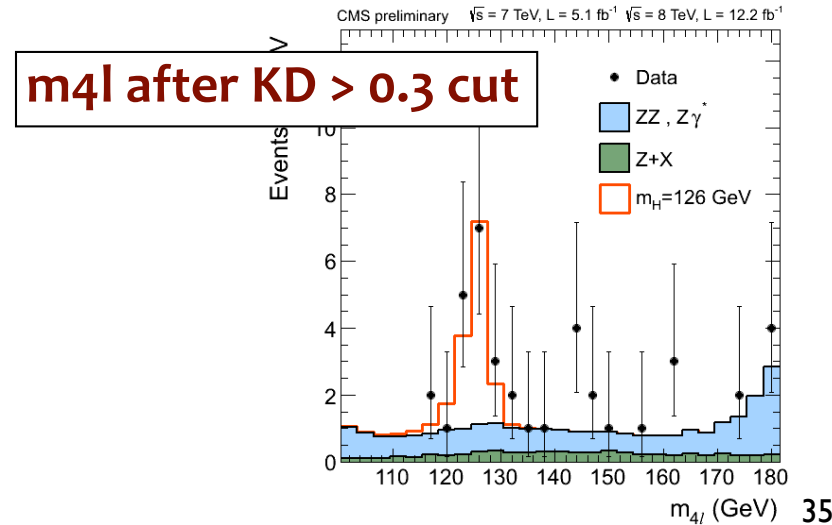
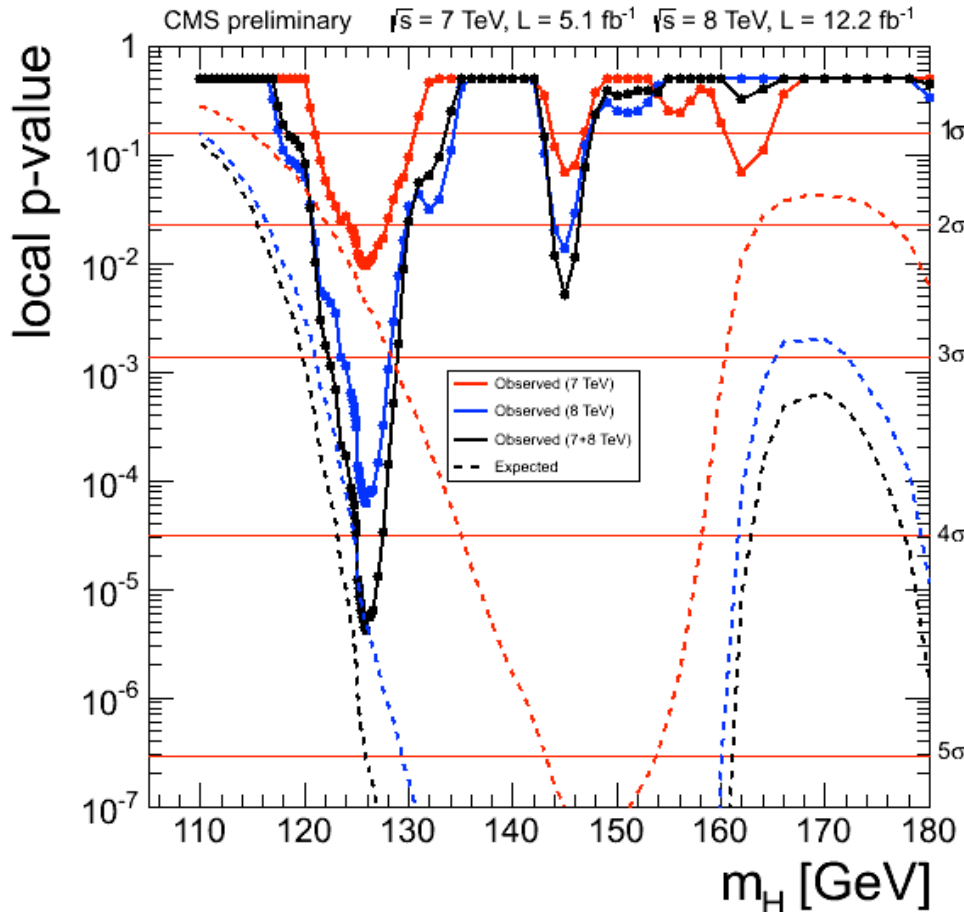
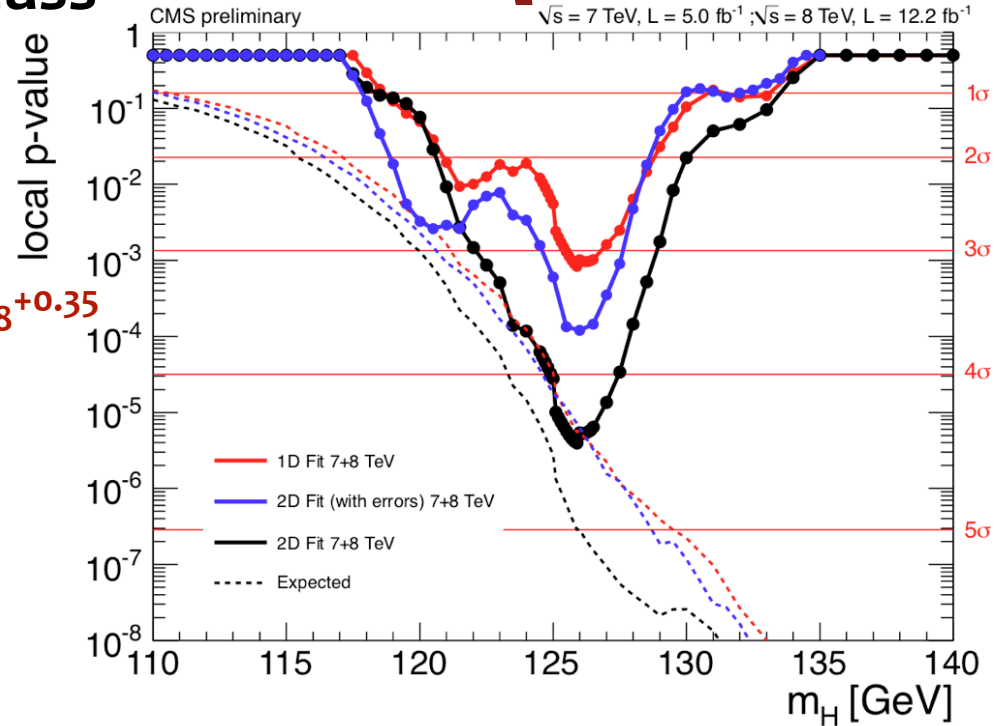


No sign of another signal at high mass

Minimum p-value at 125.9 GeV

- significance of 4.5σ (5.0 expected)
- fitted signal strength $\mu(125.9) = 0.80_{-0.28}^{+0.35}$

p-values



The Channels:

- High Resolution channels

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [ICHEP results]

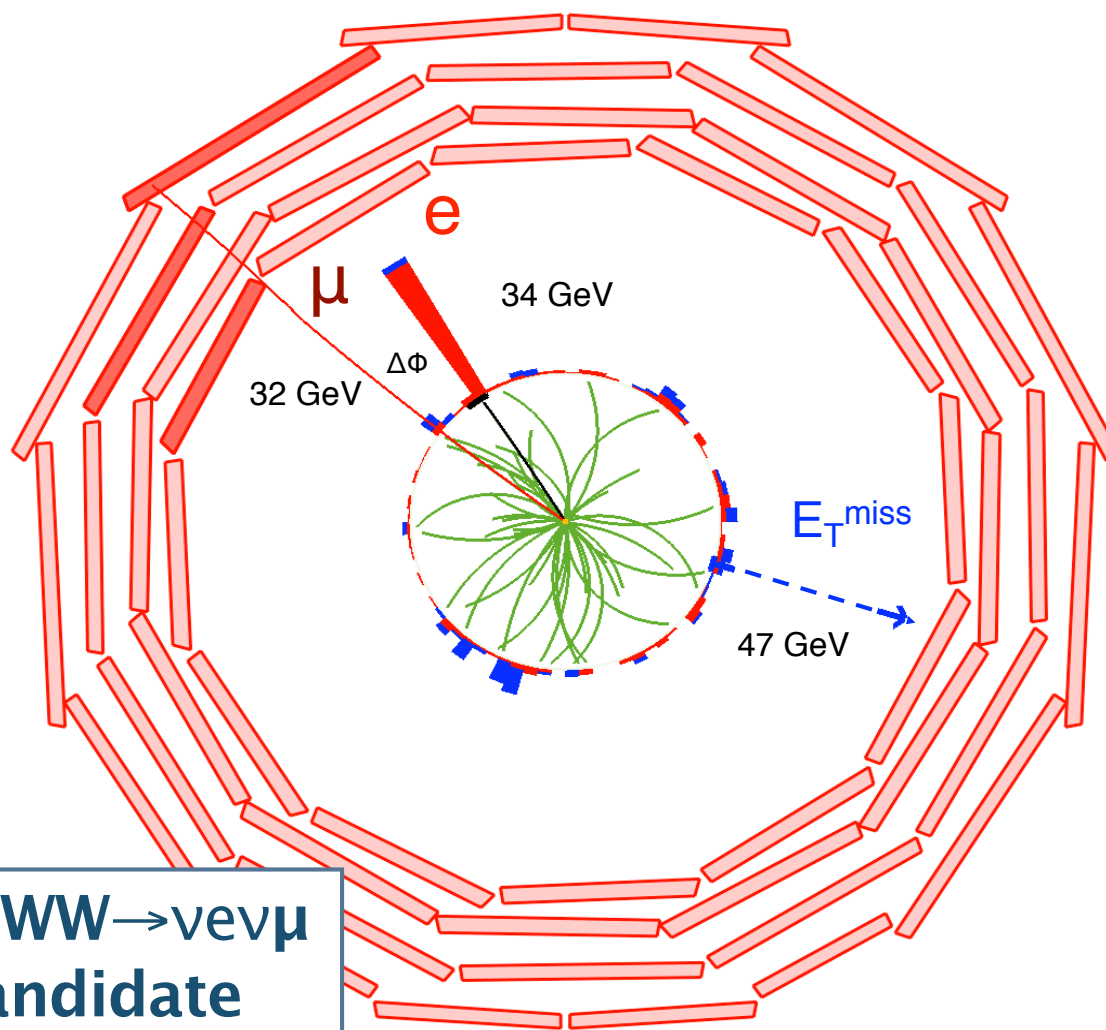
$H \rightarrow ZZ$ [minor changes in the analysis + LUM UPDATE]

- Low Resolution channels

$H \rightarrow WW$ [analysis improved + LUM UPDATE]

$H \rightarrow bb$ [analysis improved + LUM UPDATE]

$H \rightarrow TT$ [analysis improved + LUM UPDATE]



**$H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \nu e \nu \mu$
 candidate**

H → WW: Channels

Three decay channels that probe three different decay mechanisms:

- **Gluon Fusion:** WW → 2l2ν / WW → 2l2q
- **VBF:** WW → 2l2ν
- **Associated production:** WH → 3W → 3l3ν

	2l2ν	2l2q	3l3ν
Search range	120-600 GeV	170-600 GeV	110-200 GeV
Sensitive range	120-200 GeV (~2M _W)	200-400 GeV	150-180 GeV (~2M _W)

- 5.1 fb⁻¹ @ 7 TeV (2011) + 12.2 fb⁻¹ @ 8 TeV (2012): HIG-12-042
 analysis updated since ICHEP, important changes:
- 2D shape analysis (M_{ll}, M_T) for most sensitive category
 - VBF selection optimization



HH analysis in a nut shell

Search for an excess of events with 2 opposite sign prompt isolated leptons (μ , e) and missing E_T

No mass peak, basically a counting analysis

Analysis challenge: understanding the backgrounds

DATA DRIVEN methods for reducible bkg: W +jets, $t\bar{t}/tW$, $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow ll$, $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$
 WZ/ZZ , $V+\gamma^{(*)}$ from MC

WW fit to data in sidebands after subtracting all other backgrounds

Events splitted in categories with different S/B and B composition

Dominant backgrounds

Most sensitive

	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet (VBF)
DF	WW W+jets, $V+\gamma^{(*)}$ (low m_H)	WW, Top	WW, Top
SF	WW Z/γ^* (low m_H)	WW, Top	WW, Top Z/γ^*

Almost common preselection for all the events based on background rejection cuts (inverted to define control regions): **mll cut**, **$p_T(ll)$** , **Z-peak veto**, **extra-lepton veto**,

B-veto, **Z/γ^* rejection MVA based on MET**



m_H dependent cut-and-count Analysis

Next step:

m_H dependent cuts common to 0, 1 jets slightly different + VBF tags for the 2 jets

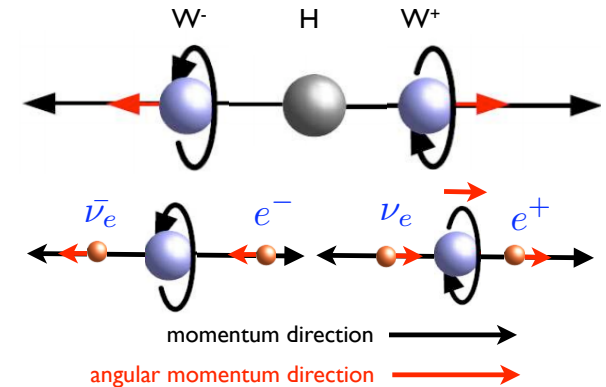
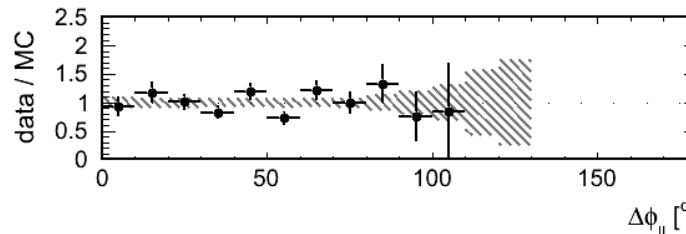
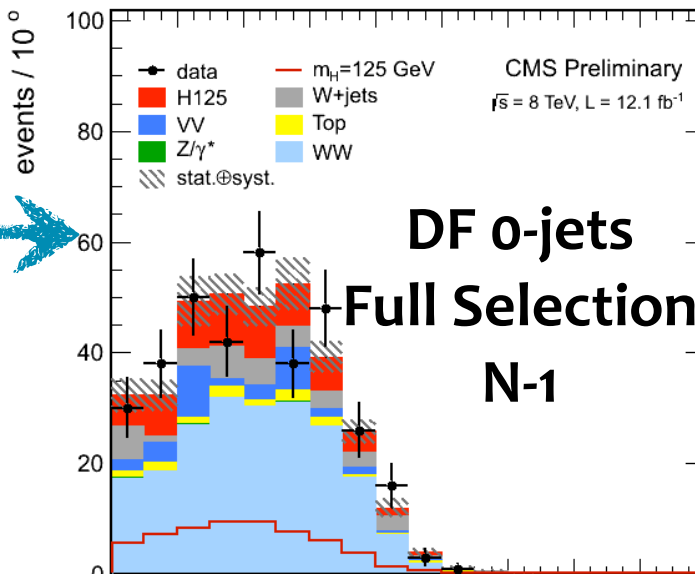
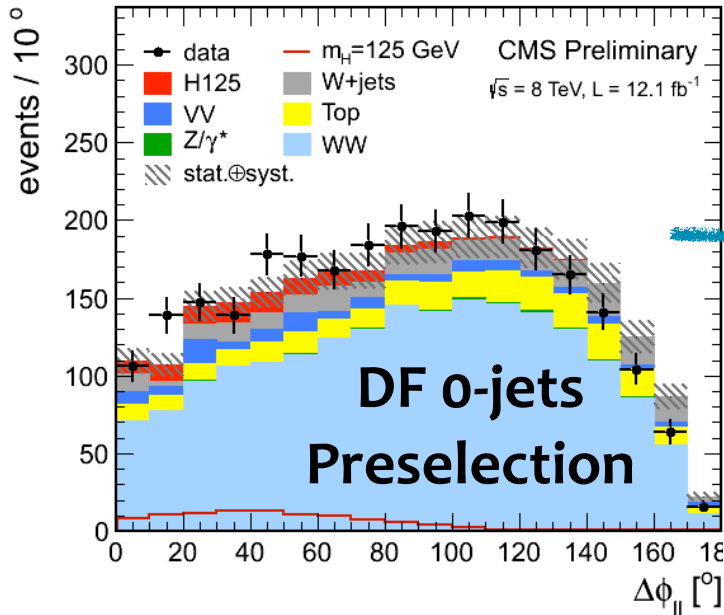


Variables:

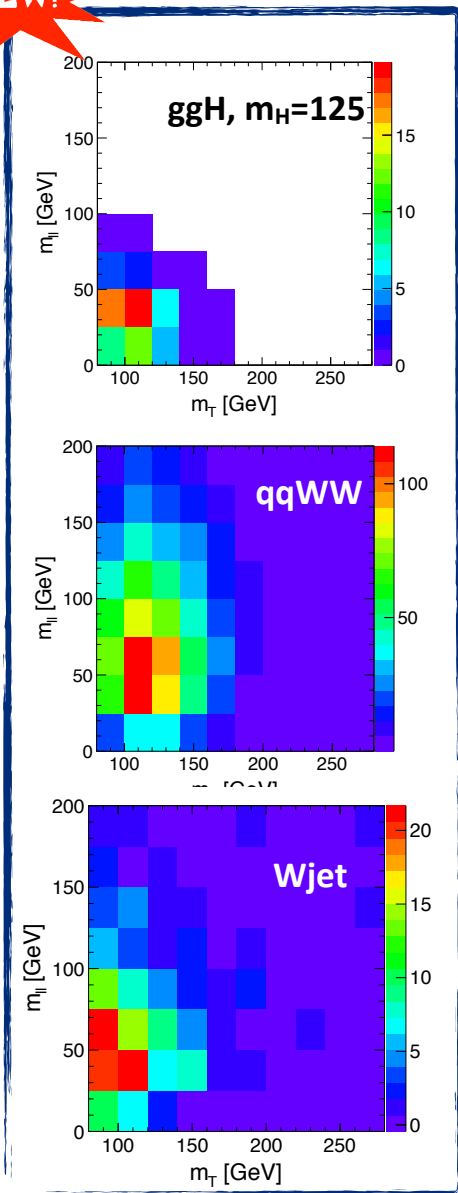
$\Delta\phi_{ll}$, $p_T(l_{max})$, $p_T(l_{min})$, m_{ll} , m_T

$$m_T = \sqrt{2p_T^{\ell\ell} E_T^{\text{miss}} (1 - \cos \Delta\phi_{E_T^{\text{miss}} \ell\ell})}$$

m_H	$p_T^{\ell, max}$	$p_T^{\ell, min}$	$m_{\ell\ell}$	$\Delta\phi_{\ell\ell}$	m_T
[GeV]	[GeV]	[GeV]	[GeV]	[°]	[GeV]
	>	>	<	<	[,]
120	20	10	40	115	[80,120]
125	23	10	43	100	[80,123]
130	25	10	45	90	[80,125]
160	30	25	50	60	[90,160]
200	40	25	90	100	[120,200]
250	55	25	150	140	[120,250]
---	---	25	200	175	[120,300]
---	---	25	300	175	[120,400]



2D Shape Analysis $m_{ll}:m_T$



Exploit the correlation of two kinematic variables in 2D
 - mass-like variables m_{ll} and m_T
 Different background peaking at different location

Relaxed selection with respect to cut-based

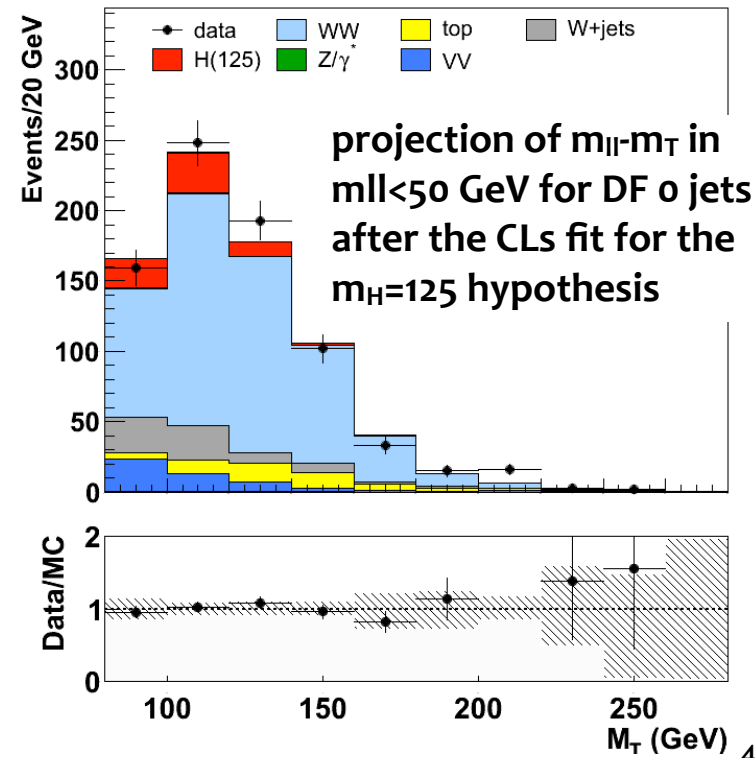
- Exploit the full range of the variables
- Mass independent selection f

$M_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$

CMS preliminary $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{TeV}$, $L = 12.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Applied only for **DF 0,1 jets**
 most sensitive categories

2D shape used as PDF in
 building the likelihood ratio

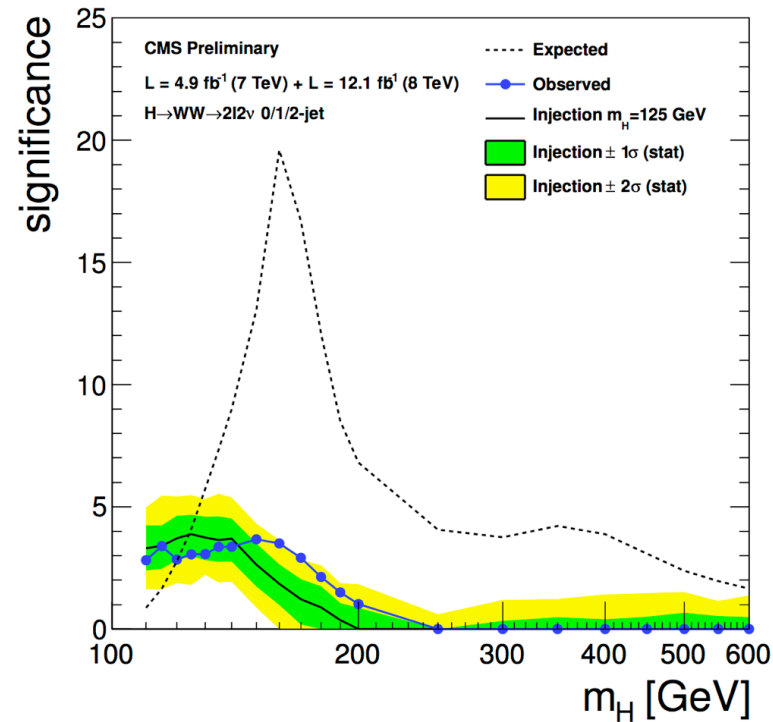
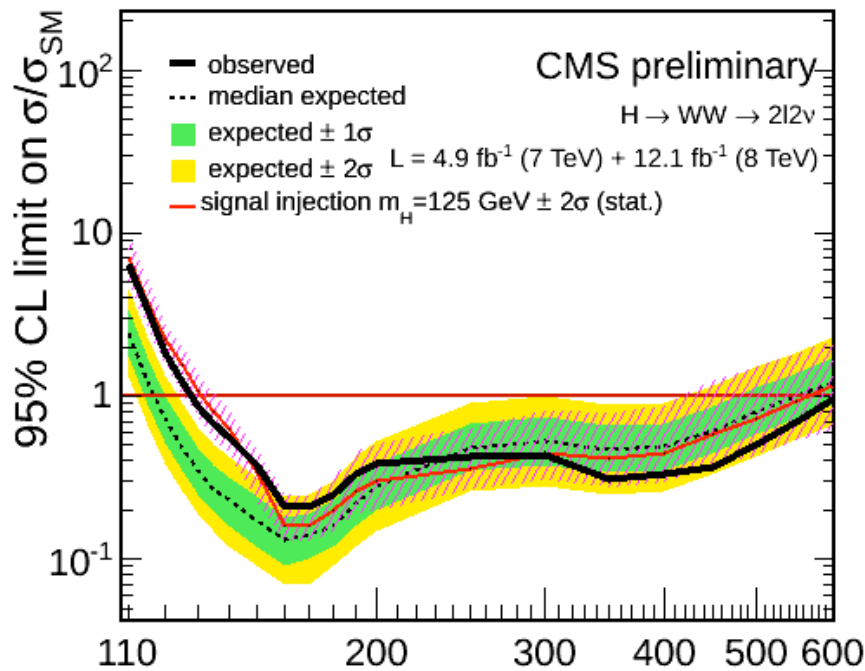




Results

7+8TeV analyses result:

8TeV analysis with **shape based approach** (combine the analysis in DF 0,1 jets categories with the cut based analysis in other categories)



Excluding other “SM-Higgs” like bosons in range **128-600 GeV**
 Broad excess at low mass
 [110-160] GeV compatible with a SM Higgs at $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$
 with statistical significance of **3.1 σ**

expected/observed significance		
8 TeV cut-based	8 TeV shape-based	7+8 TeV shape-based
2.4/1.7	3.7/2.9	4.1/3.1
best fit value		
8 TeV cut-based	8 TeV shape-based	7+8 TeV shape-based
0.80 ± 0.45	0.77 ± 0.28	0.74 ± 0.25

The Channels:

- High Resolution channels

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [ICHEP results]

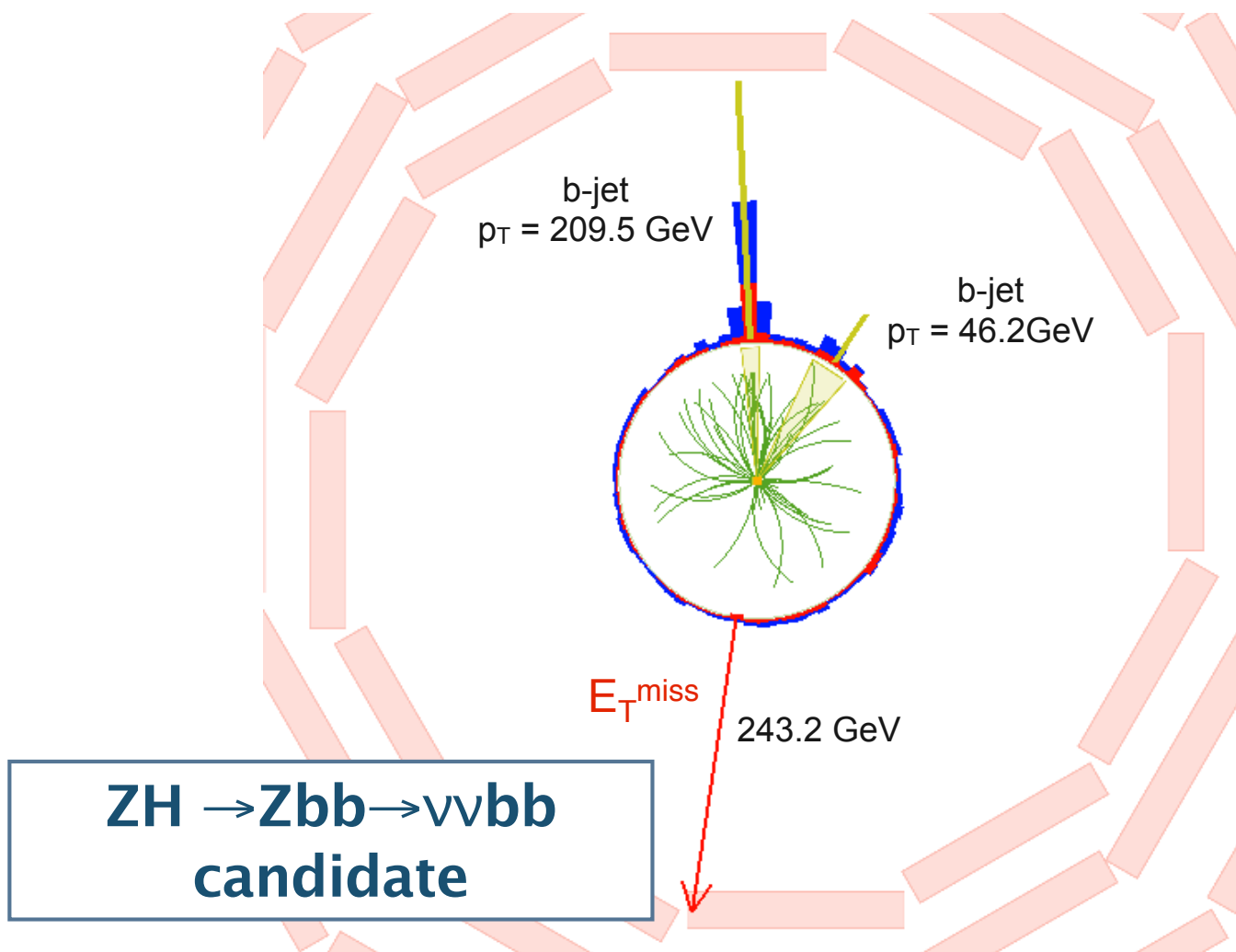
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$H \rightarrow bb$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]

$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]

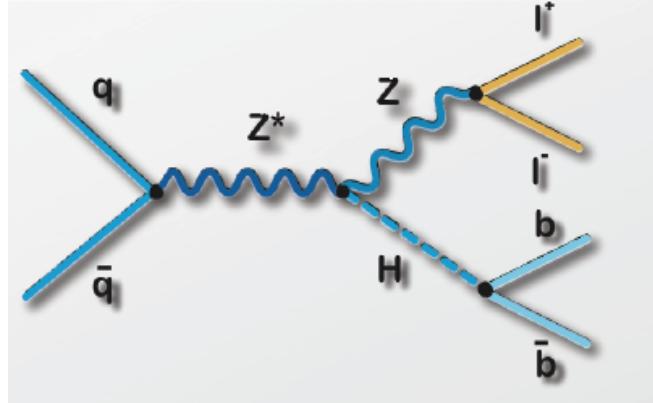




H → bb analysis in a nut shell

The largest BR for $m_H < 130$ GeV but $\sigma_{bb}(\text{QCD}) \sim 10^7 \times \sigma_H \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow bb)$

⇒ Search in associated production with W or Z final states with isolated leptons, MET, b-tagged jets



5 topologies

- Z(l)H(bb)
- Z(vv)H(bb)
- W(lv)H(bb)
- l = e, μ

each mode splitted into high/low $p_T(V)$ categories.

The high $p_T(V)$ is splitted in low/high b-tag **NEW!**

General strategy:

High boosted vector boson and dijet back-to-back V & H

b-jet energy regression (15% improve in mass resolution m_{bb} - 10-20% in sensitivity)

BDT shape analysis (BDT output final discriminant for the fitting procedure)

Main backgrounds → V+jets, ttbar estimated from data in control regions

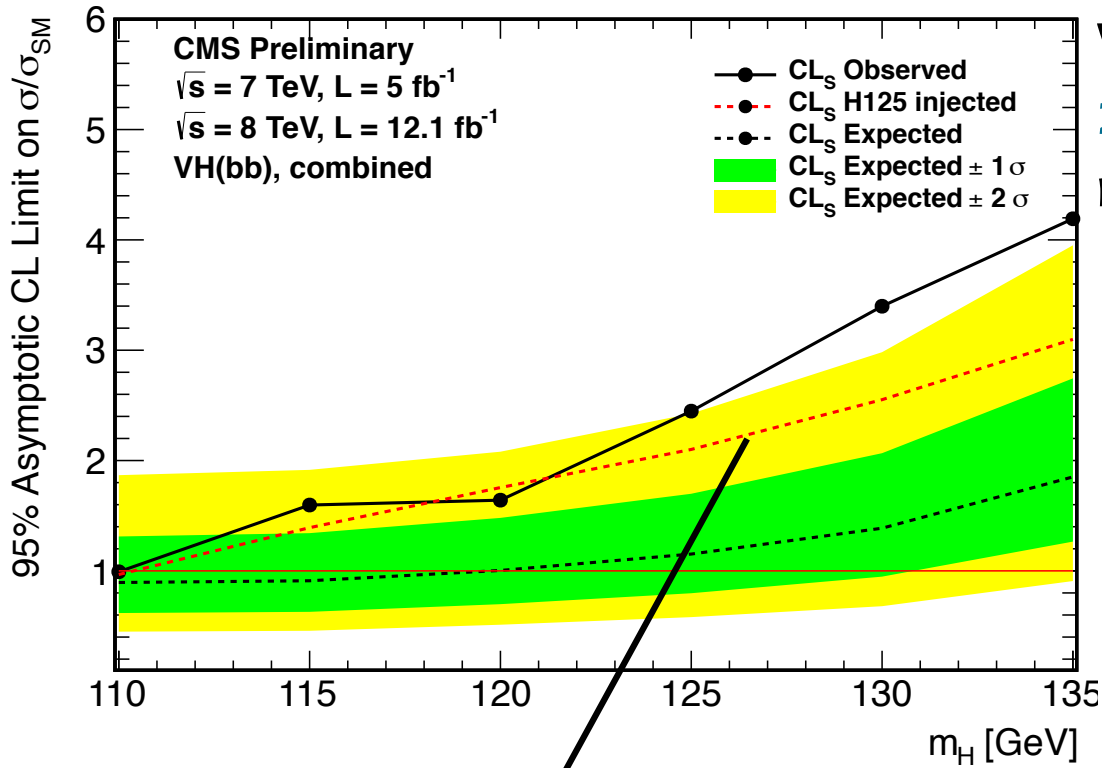
5.1 fb⁻¹ @ 7 TeV (2011) + 12.2 fb⁻¹ @ 8 TeV (2012): HIG-12-044

analysis updated since ICHEP:

new categories + improved BDT regression for b-jet energy (new variables added)



Results



With more data and improvements
20-30% more sensitivity wrt ICHEP
 results

In the analyzed range [110-135]:
 observed upper limits from **1.0 to 4.2**
 expected upper limits from **0.9 to 1.9**

At $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$:
 observed limit = **2.5** - expected = **1.2**
 an excess of events is observed with
 a **local significance of 2.2σ**

**All consistent with the expectation from the production
 of the standard model Higgs boson**

The 7TeV data ICHEP **ttH, H->bb** analysis is also included in the combination
 It directly probes the ttH vertex. Sensitivity in [110-140] is from 3-7 SM
 No evidence of an excess.

5.1 fb⁻¹ @ 7 TeV (2011): HIG-12-044

The Channels:

- High Resolution channels

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [ICHEP results]

$H \rightarrow ZZ$ [minor changes in the analysis + LUMI UPDATE]

- Low Resolution channels

$H \rightarrow WW$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]

$H \rightarrow bb$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]

$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ [analysis improved + LUMI UPDATE]



H → ττ analysis in a nut shell

The only handle we have to study Higgs coupling to leptons.

High $\sigma \cdot \text{BR}$ at low mass: sensitive to all production modes.

BUT:

- taus decays hadronically 65% of the times: experimental challenge
- 2-4 neutrinos in the tau decay
degrade mass resolution
- dominated by Z → ττ decay

General strategy:

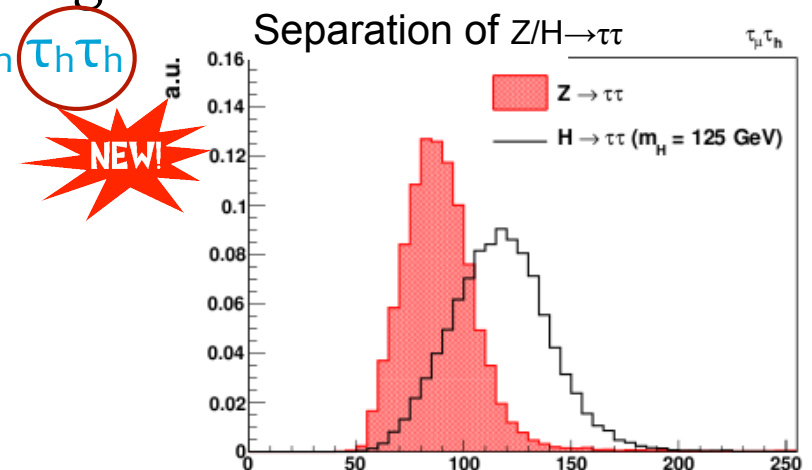
- reconstruct hadronic τ decays with the hadron+strip algorithm

channels included in the search: $\tau_e \tau_\mu \tau_\mu \tau_h \tau_\mu \tau_\mu \tau_e \tau_h \tau_h \tau_h$

- likelihood method to reconstruct the $m_{\tau\tau}$ (SVFit)

- maximum likelihood fit to the $m_{\tau\tau}$ distributions in 5/2 categories with different S/B ratio

[enhance specific higgs production mechanisms]



5.1 fb⁻¹ @ 7 TeV (2011) + 12.2 fb⁻¹ @ 8 TeV (2012): HIG-12-043

analysis updated since ICHEP, big improvements:

new categories + MVA MET + simplified VBF selection + ojet category for bkg constrain only

Event categorization

0-Jet

In situ calibration of backgrounds

1-Jet

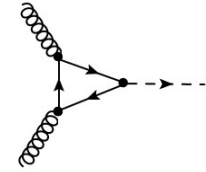
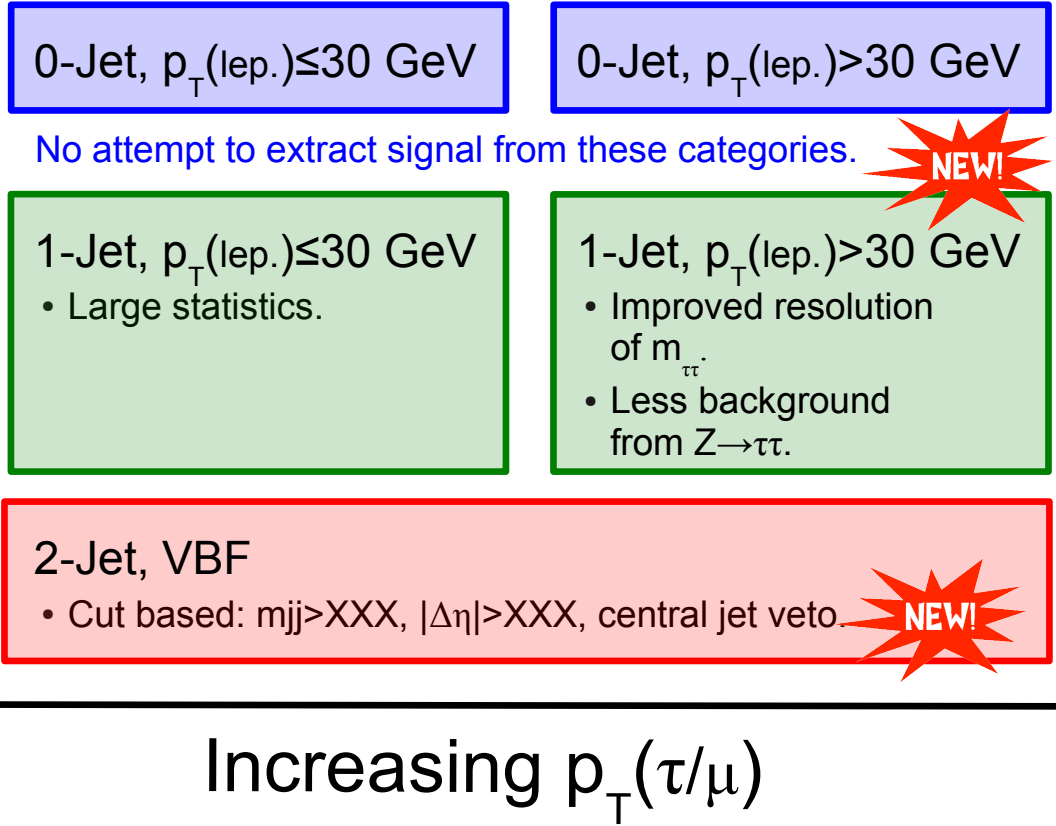
Suppression of backgr. from $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$

2-Jet/VBF

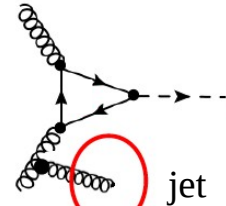
Suppression of bkg from $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$

+ VH, H \rightarrow $\tau\tau$ analysis

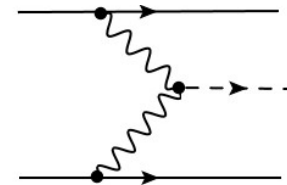
less sensitive with respect to 1 and 2 jets due to low cross section



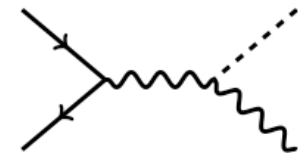
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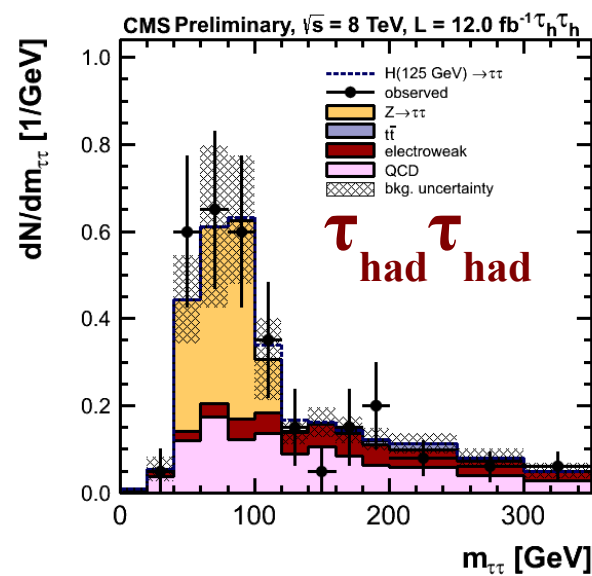
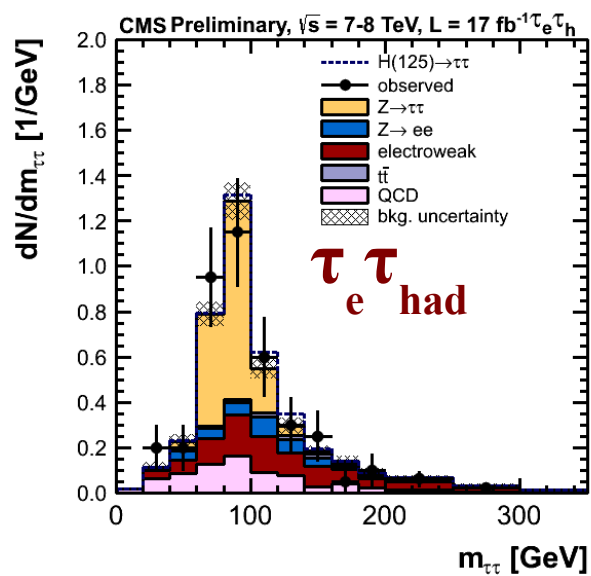
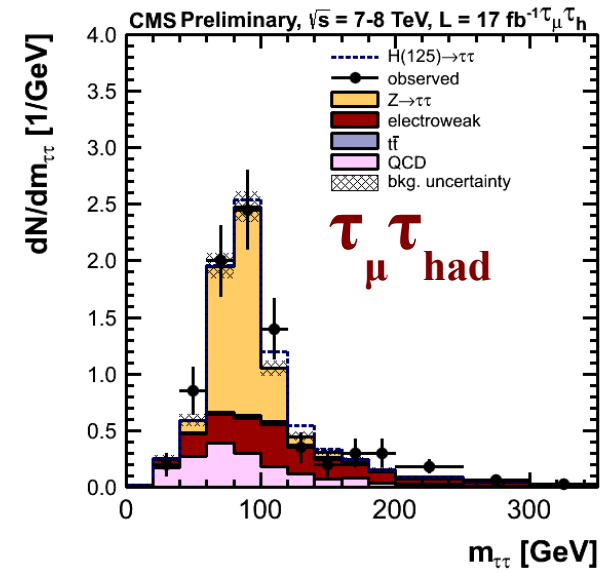
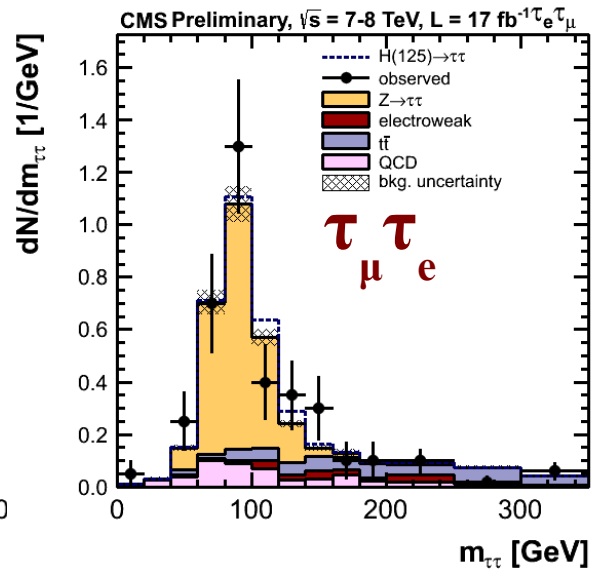
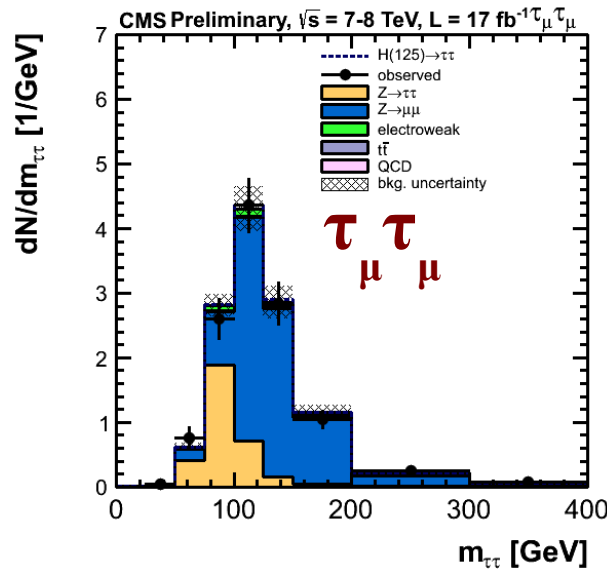
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Associated

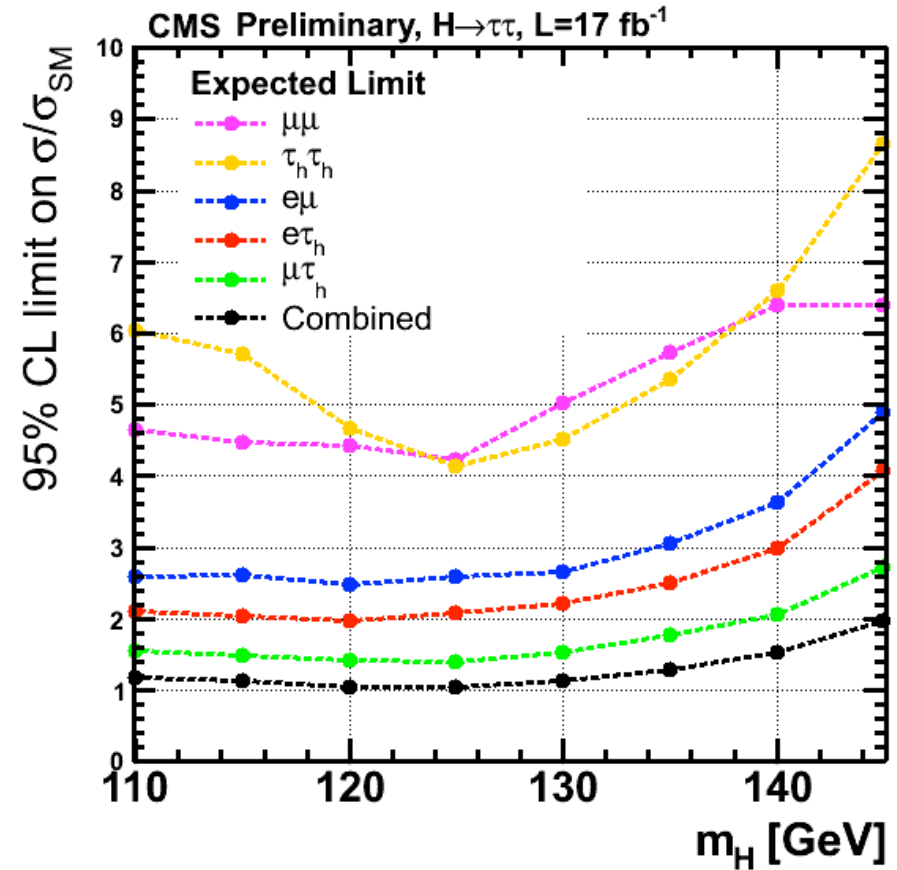
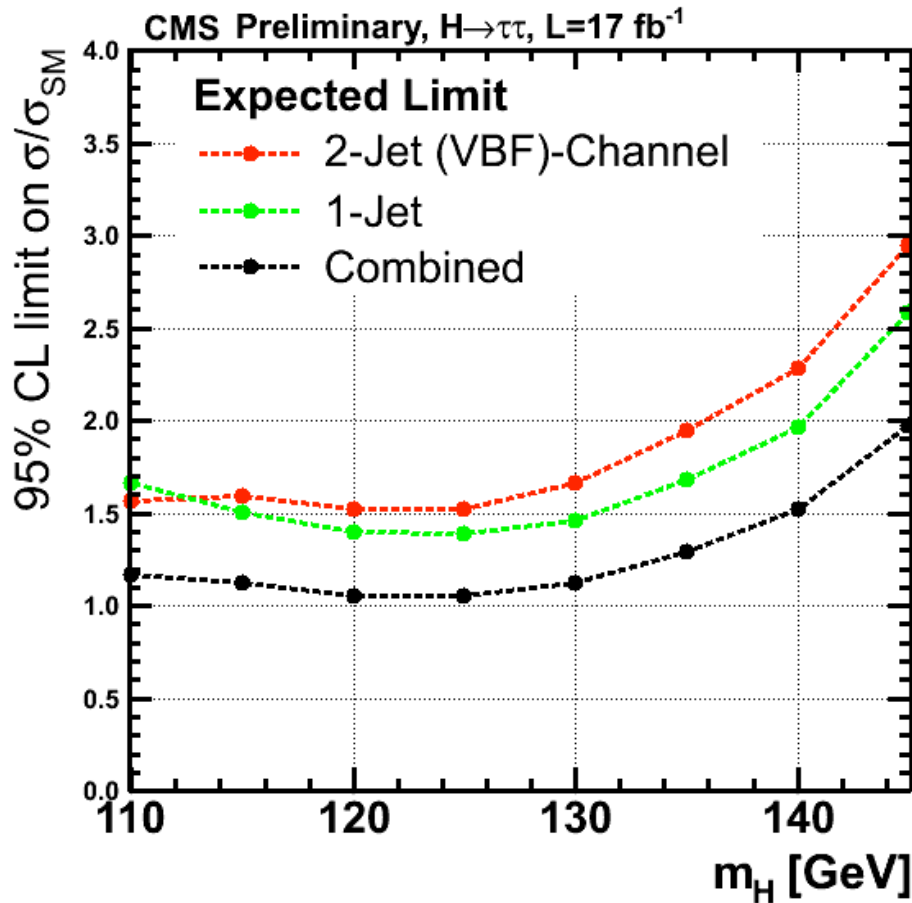
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2jet VBF category

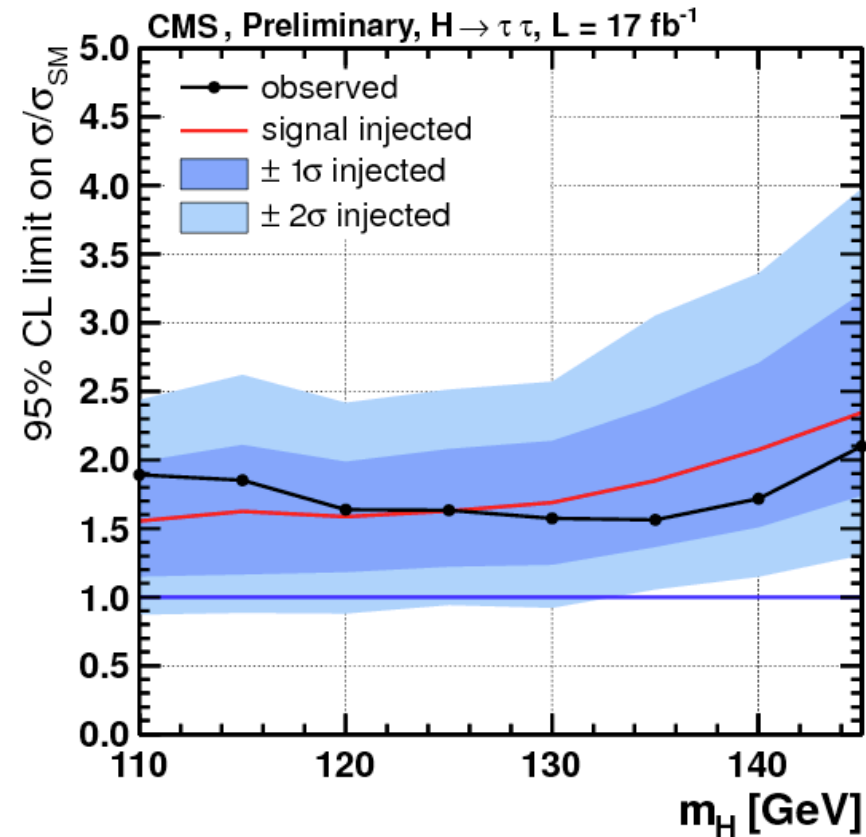
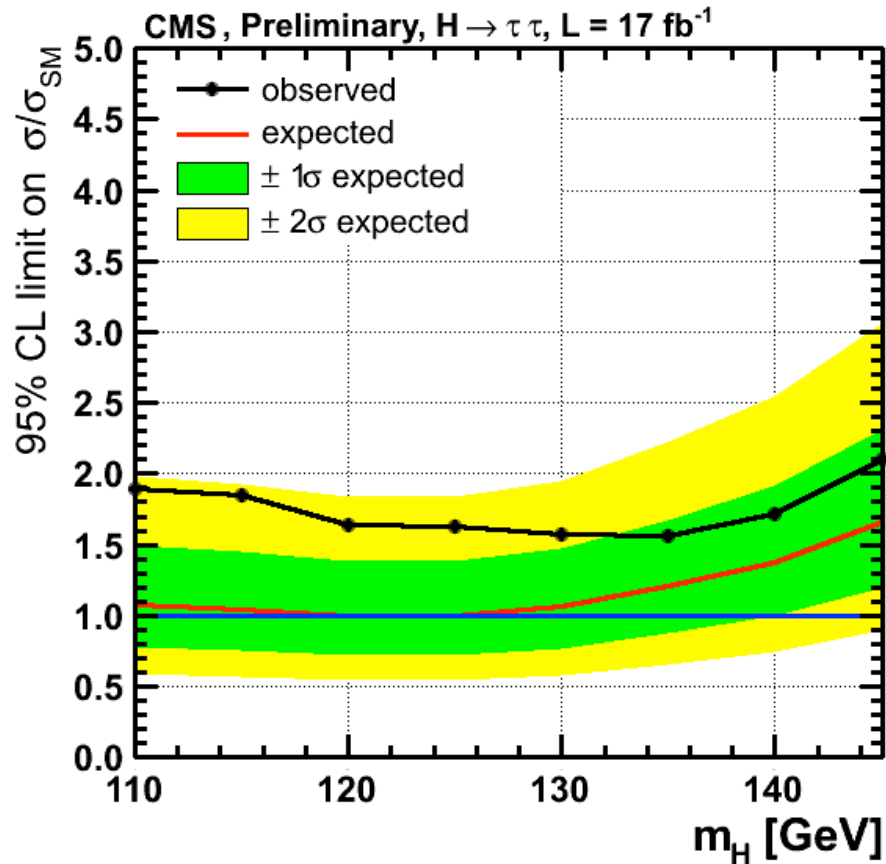


- After template fit has been applied (S+B hypothesis).
- Uncertainties after fit.

Sensitivity



VBF and 1jet category roughly at equal strenght @ $m_H=125 \text{ GeV}$
 Strongest channel is $\mu\tau$ ($e\tau, e\mu$ of equal strenght)



With more data and improvements the SM sensitivity is reached
Observed 95% CL exclusion limit for $m_H=125 \text{ GeV} = 1.63$ (expected 1.00)
 An mild excess is found, and it is **compatible with the expectation from the production of the standard model Higgs boson**

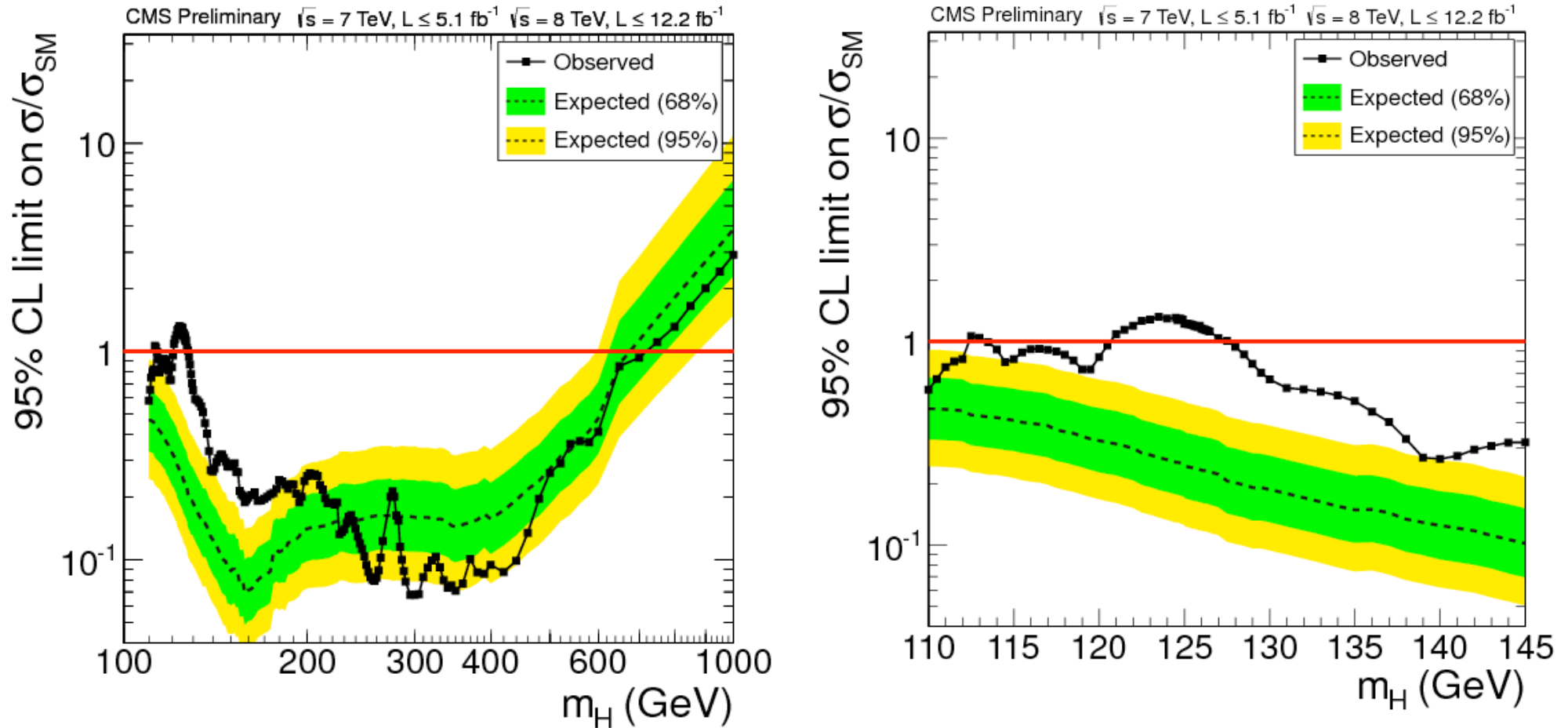


Combination



Combining the results: Limit on σ/σ_{SM}

The 95% CL upper limits on the cross section ratio σ/σ_{SM} for the SM Higgs as function of m_H



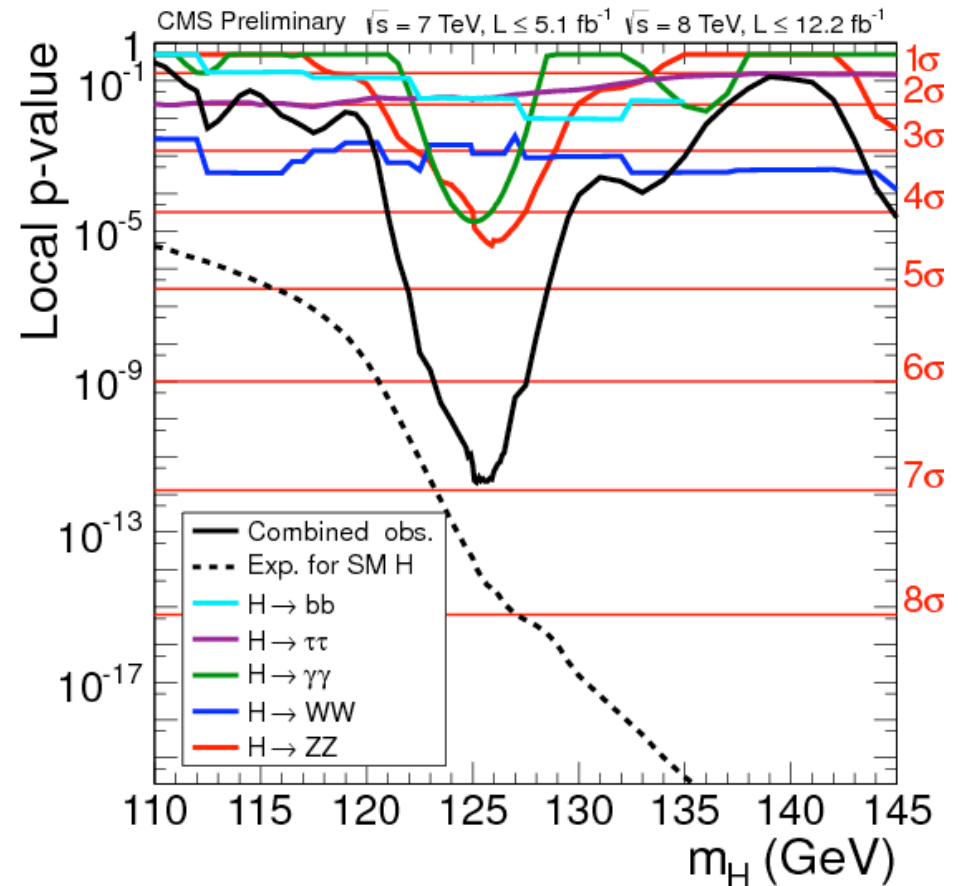
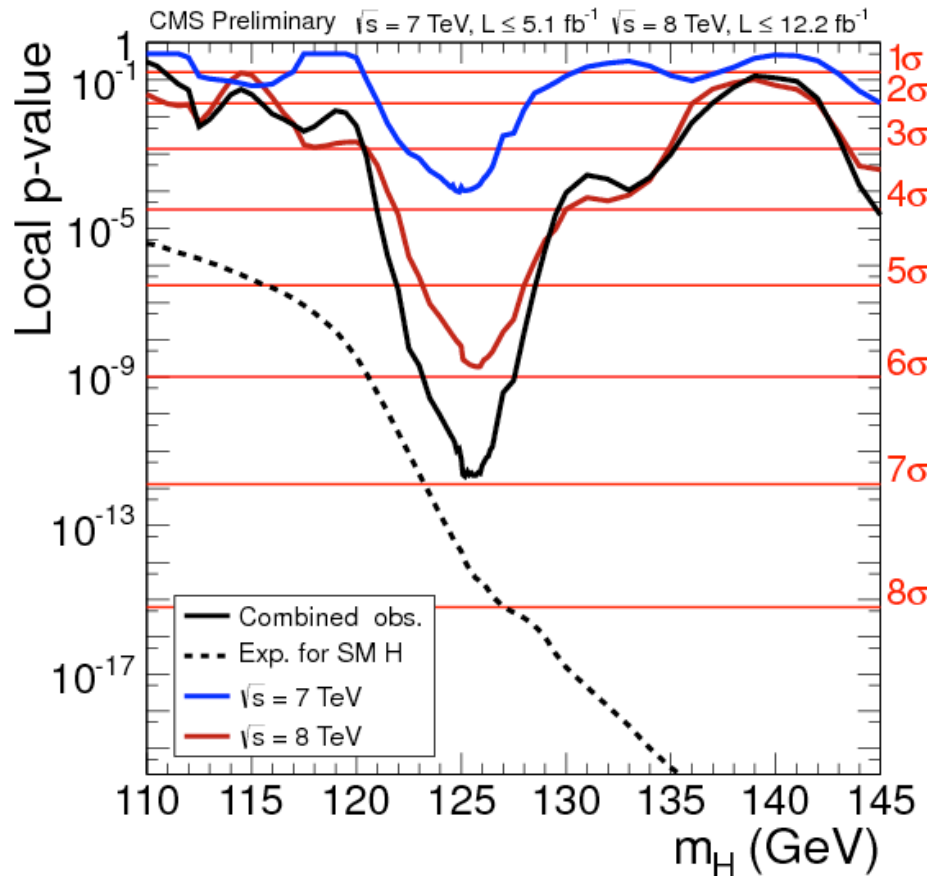
In absence of signal we expect to exclude the entire range from 110-650 GeV at 95% CL
For $m_H > 200 \text{ GeV}$ the differences with obs and exp limits are consistent with statistical fluctuations

The broad excess for $m_H < 200 \text{ GeV}$ is attributed to the new boson with $m \sim 125 \text{ GeV}$



Combining the results: significance of the excess

Local p-value: Probability for a background fluctuation to give an excess as large as the (average) signal size expected for a SM Higgs



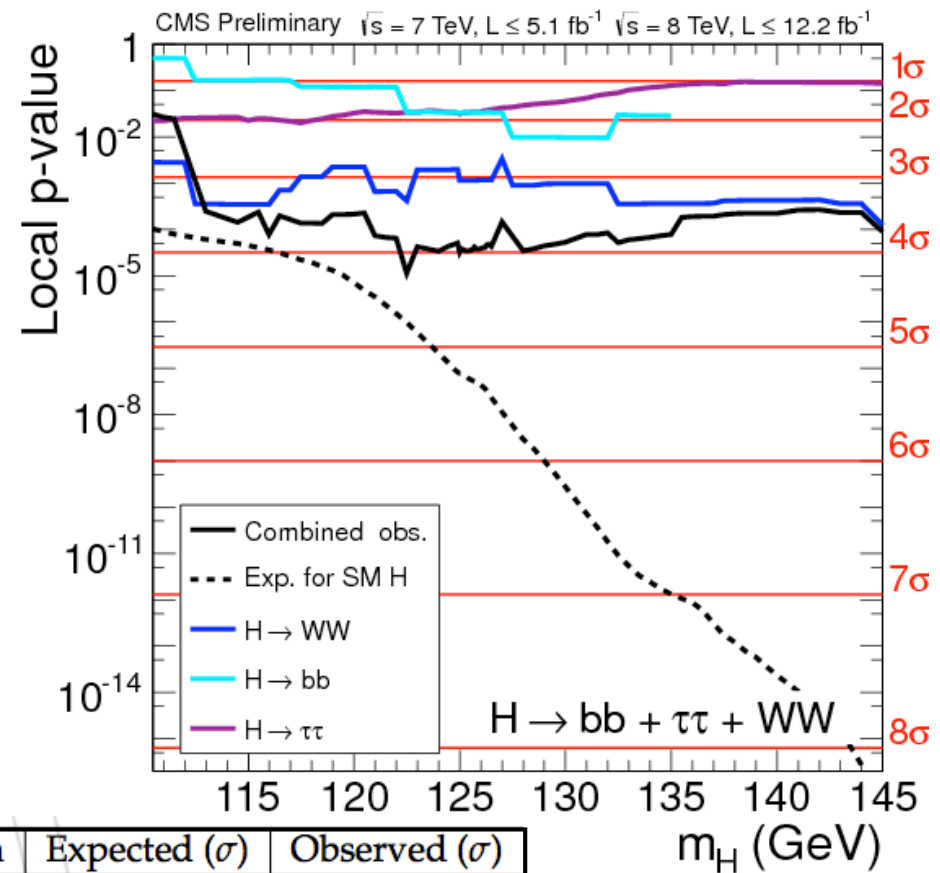
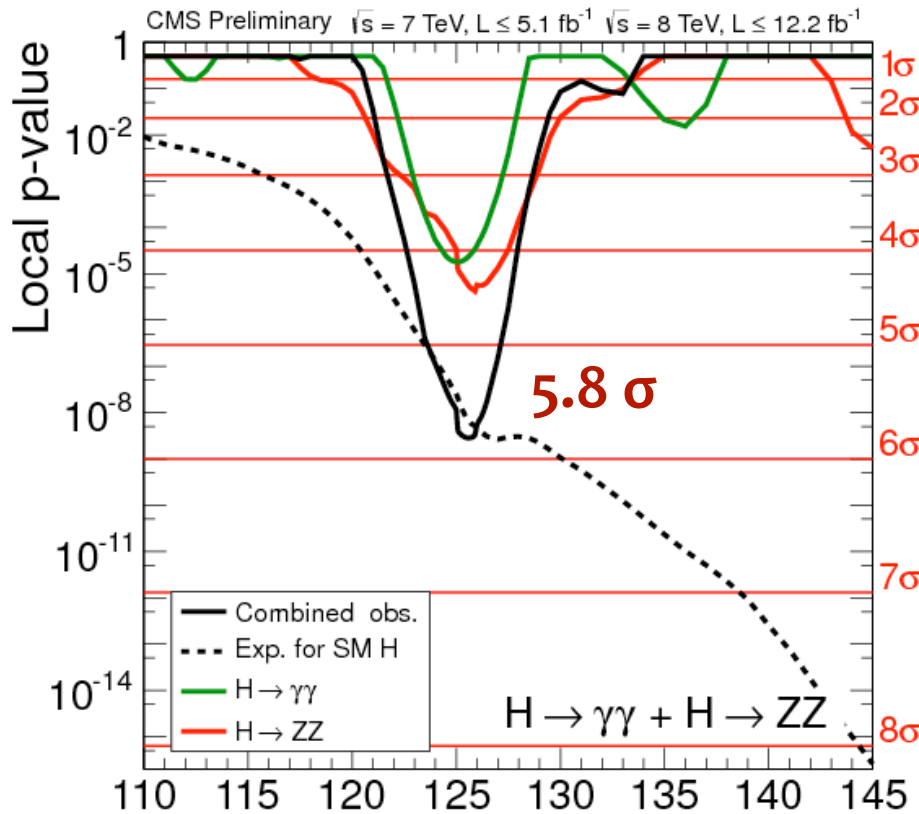
With the analyzed data the peak significance is **6.9 σ**

Other than the '125-GeV boson', we see no evidence for a significant excess of events that could be attributed to either an additional particle or particles



Combining the results: significance of the excess

Local p-value: Probability that background fluctuates to give an excess as large as the (average) signal size expected for a SM Higgs



Decay mode or combination	Expected (σ)	Observed (σ)
ZZ	5.0	4.4
$\gamma\gamma$	2.8	4.0
WW	4.3	3.0
bb	2.2	1.8
$\tau\tau$	2.1	1.8
$\gamma\gamma + ZZ$	5.7	5.8
$\gamma\gamma + ZZ + WW + \tau\tau + bb$	7.8	6.9



The Measurements

1. For the SM Higgs we expect 7.8σ significance
2. Something observed 6.9σ away from the BG only hypothesis
maximum significance flat for m_{H^0} in $[125.1-125.9]$ GeV
3. Mass Measurements with the high resolution channels

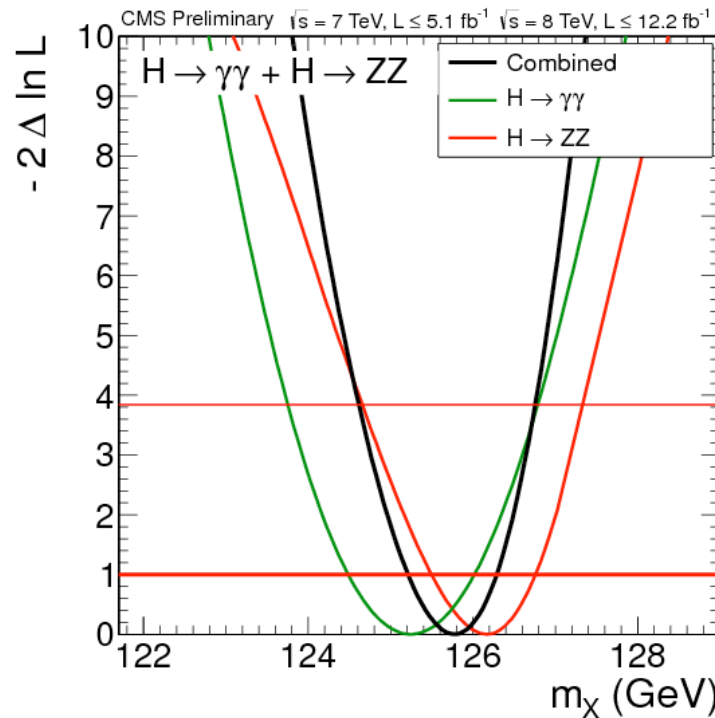
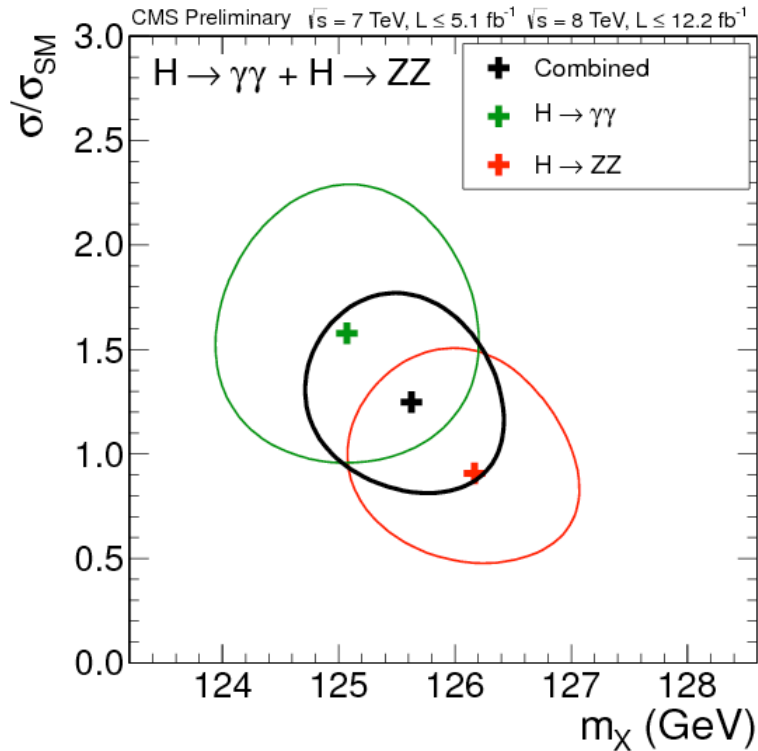


Mass of the observed state

2D 68% CL regions for the two parameters that are let free in the likelihood

- signal strenght modifier μ (σ/σ_{SM}) - mass m_X

for the 2 high-resolution channels \rightarrow the channels give consistent results and thus can be combined

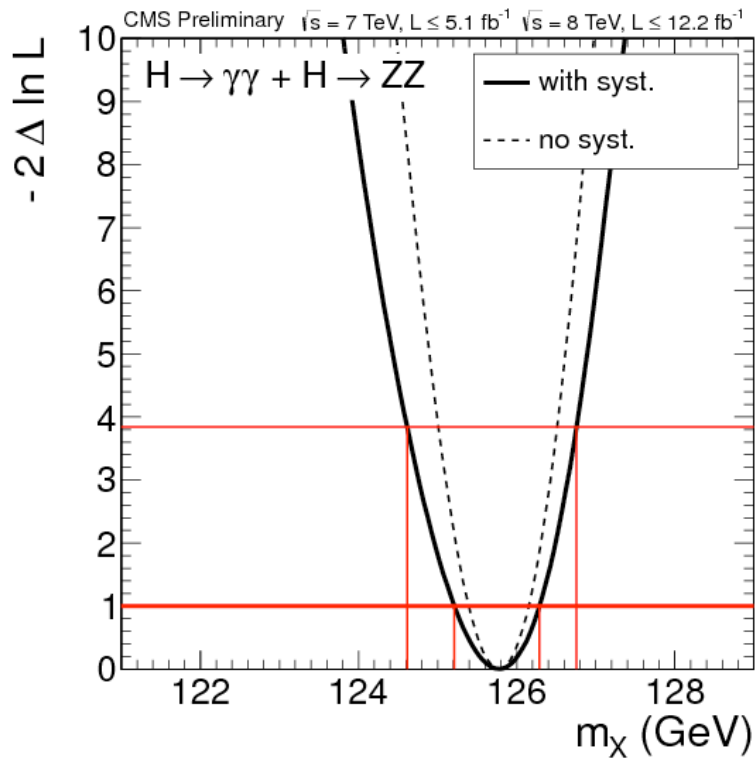


68% CL interval
 $m_X = 125.8 \pm 0.5 \text{ GeV}$

Model-dependent 2D combination:
relative event yields between the two channels fixed to the SM

Model independent combination used for nominal result,
with unconstrained normalization for HZZ, gg H $\gamma\gamma$, VBF H $\gamma\gamma$

Mass of the observed state



To evaluate the statistical component of the error:
perform a scan of the test statistic with all nuisance parameters fixed to their best-fit values

68% CL interval:

$$m_X = 125.8 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.4 \text{ (syst)} \text{ GeV}$$

Systematic part obtained subtracting in quadrature stat. uncert. from the total one

Systematic uncertainty :

As coming from [H→γγ and H→ZZ], dominant contribution is from the knowledge of the energy scales for photons and leptons:

- extrapolation from the standard candles ($J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$, $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu/ee$) to the kinematic of a H125 signal (p_T , η)
- extrapolation from electrons to photons

The control of the energy resolution on data is also important



The Measurements

1. For the SM Higgs we expect 7.8σ significance

2. Something observed 6.9σ away from the BG only hypothesis
maximum significance flat for m_H in $[125.1-125.9]$ GeV

3. Mass Measurements with the high resolution channels

ZZ and YY measures $m_x = 125.8 \pm 0.4(\text{stat}) \pm 0.4(\text{syst})$

This mass is used to fix m_H for the measurement of properties

4. Compatibility of the observed state with the SM Higgs

Signal strength in channel combinations and sub-combinations



Signal Strength at $m_H = 125.8$ GeV

First compatibility test:

best fit value for the common μ (signal strength modifier) obtained in the combination of all channels

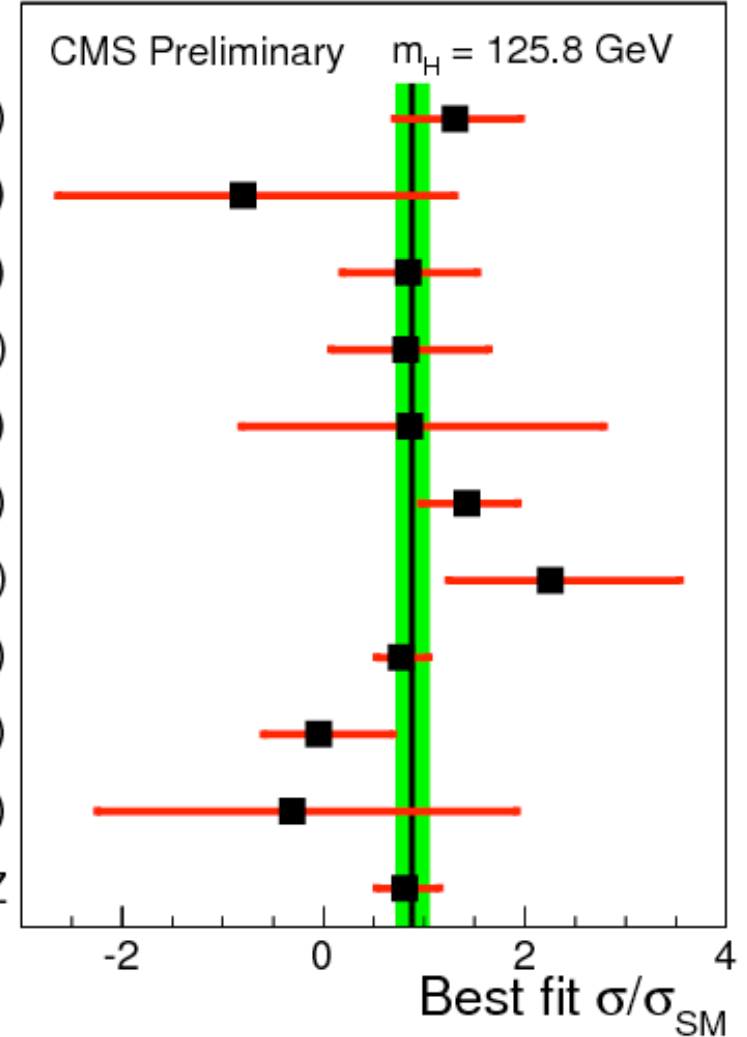
The observed μ for $m_H = 125.8$ is consistent within 1σ with SM:

$$0.88 \pm 0.21$$

The sum $q(\mu=1)$ for any of the N sub-combinations can be used as χ^2 (with $\text{ndof} = N$) to test the compatibility of each sub-combination to the SM

- $H \rightarrow bb$ (VH tag)
- $H \rightarrow bb$ (ttH tag)
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (0/1 jet)
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (VBF tag)
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (VH tag)
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (untagged)
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (VBF tag)
- $H \rightarrow WW$ (0/1 jet)
- $H \rightarrow WW$ (VBF tag)
- $H \rightarrow WW$ (VH tag)
- $H \rightarrow ZZ$

$\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV, $L \leq 5.1$ fb $^{-1}$ $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV, $L \leq 12.2$ fb $^{-1}$



$$\chi^2/\text{n.d.f.} = 8.7/11$$

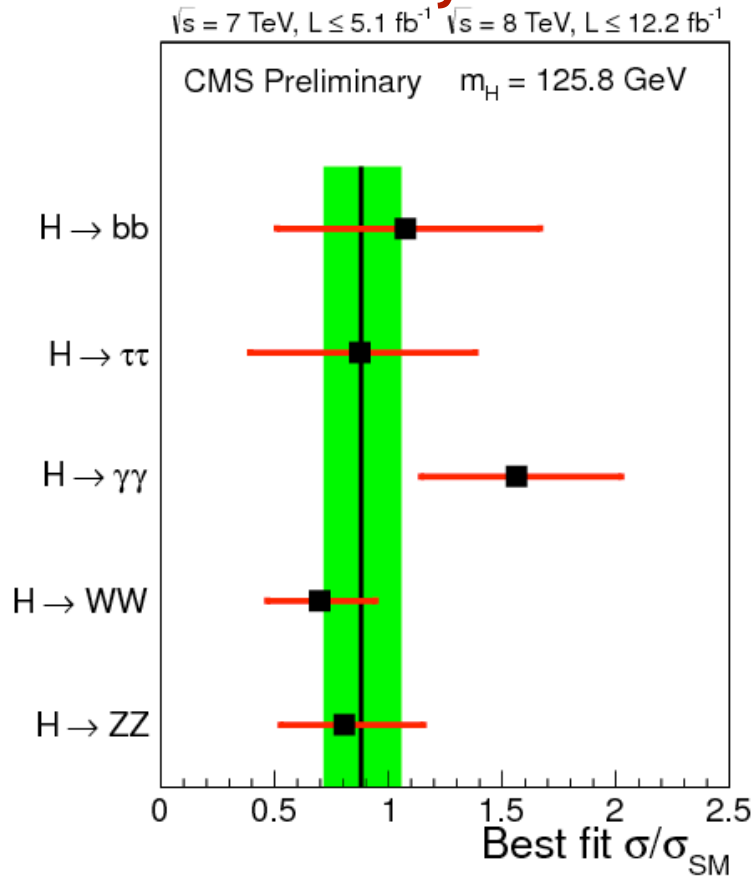
- asymptotic p-value = 0.65%
[from toys = 0.46%]



Signal Strength at $m_H = 125.8$ GeV

μ values obtained in different sub-combinations of search channels organized by

decay mode

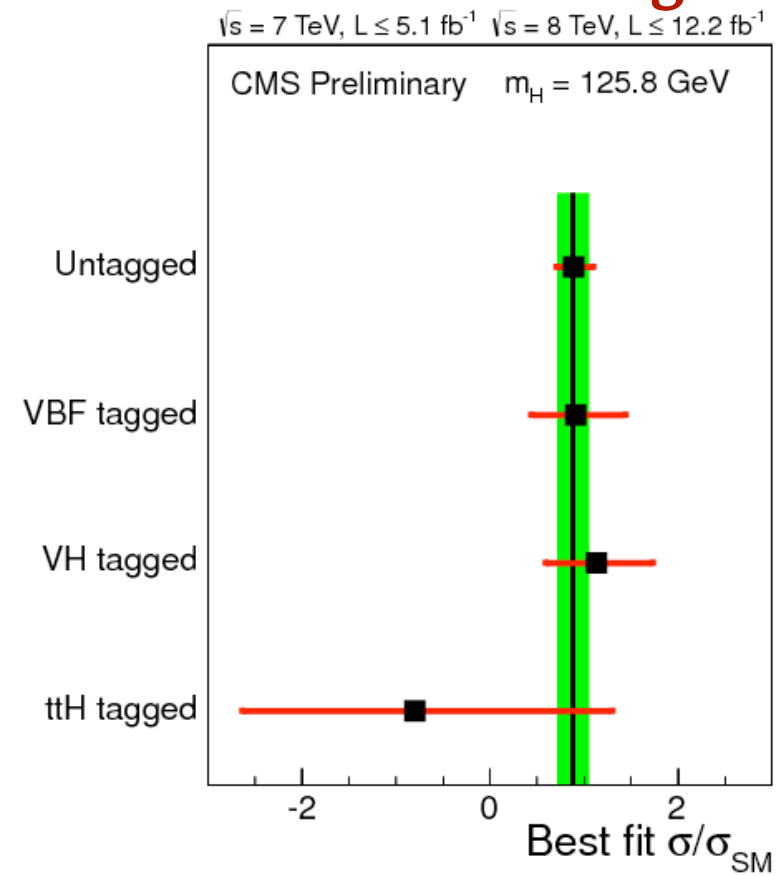


$\chi^2/n.d.f. = 4.3/5$

- asymptotic p-value = 0.51%

[from toys = 0.54%]

additional tags



$\chi^2/n.d.f. = 1.3/4$

- asymptotic p-value = 0.86%

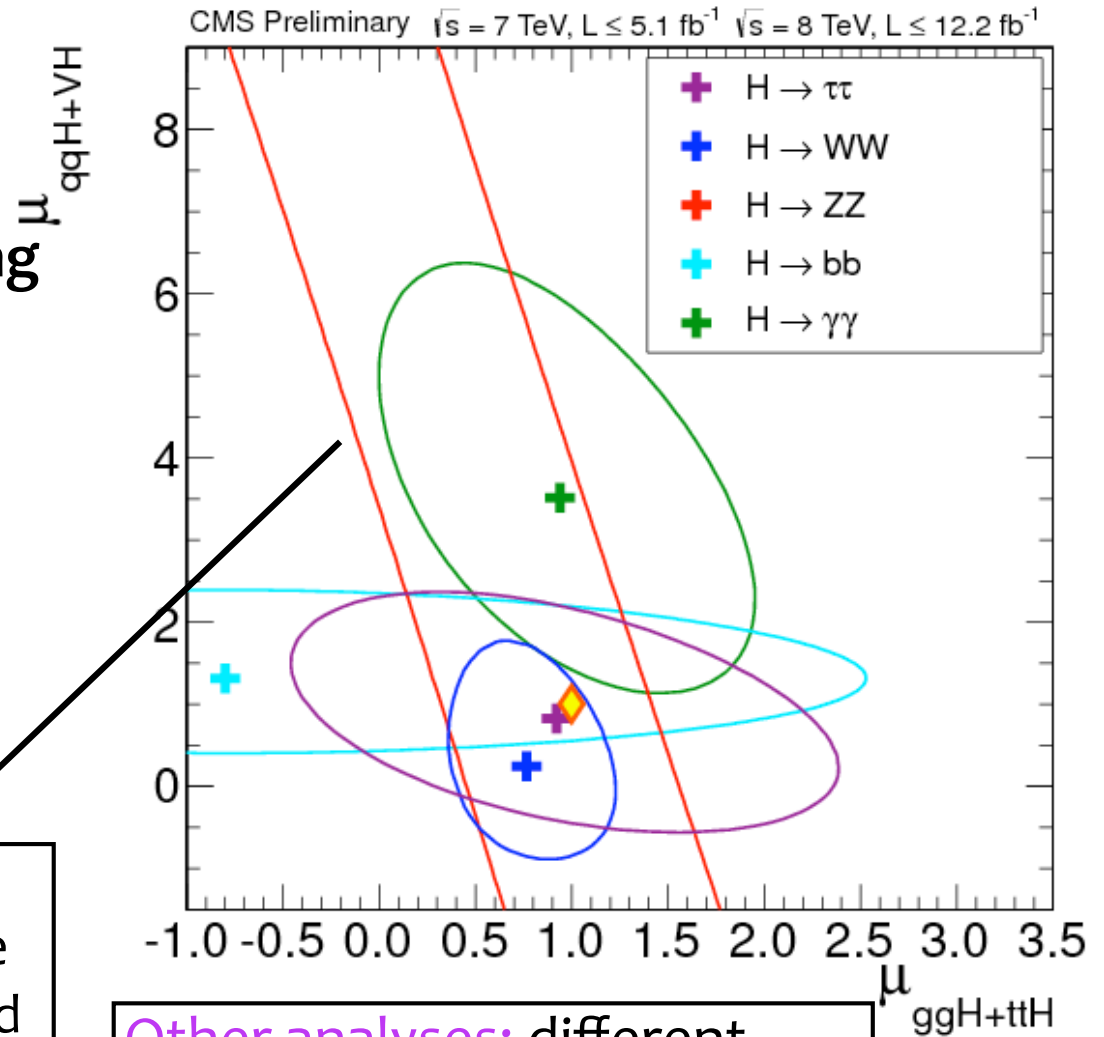
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Signal Strength at $m_H=125.8$ GeV

A combination of channels associated with a particular decay mode and explicitly targeting different production mechanisms can be used to test the **relative strengths of the couplings to the vector bosons** [μ_{qqH+VH}] and **top quarks** [$\mu_{ggH+ttH}$]

ZZ analysis: the different production mechanisms are not yet explicitly separated [diagonal band corresponding to same values of total cross section]

Other analyses: different production mechanisms are explicitly exploited [elliptical allowed regions]



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contributions fully compatible, with $\min(\text{pValue}) \sim 45\%$)

Test of the **Couplings**



The Coupling scaling factors

1. The event yield in any mode is related to partial and total Higgs boson decay widths

$$N(xx \rightarrow H \rightarrow yy) \sim \sigma(xx \rightarrow H) * B(H \rightarrow yy) \sim \Gamma_{xx} \Gamma_{yy} / \Gamma_{tot}$$

2. Eight parameters ($\Gamma_{WW}\Gamma_{tt}\Gamma_{ZZ}\Gamma_{bb}\Gamma_{\tau\tau}\Gamma_{gg}\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}\Gamma_{tot}$) are relevant for the following

- $\Gamma_{gg}\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$ are generated by loop diagrams and are directly sensitive to the presence of new physics
- Γ_{tot} is kept as an independent parameter to accommodate the possibility of a Γ_{BSM}

3. Current limited dataset allows only to fit for a few of them at a time

4. The Γ_i are proportional to the square of the Higgs boson couplings. To test for possible deviations in the data from the SM rates, modified couplings [denoted by scale factors k_i] are introduced according to the LHC HXSWG prescriptions [arxiv:1209.0040](https://arxiv.org/abs/1209.0040)

5. We fit the data and the allowed regions of $\{k_i\}$, or the allowed region for one k , allowing all the others k 's to take arbitrary values

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Universal vector and fermion couplings

Rescale universally the Higgs boson couplings to fermions by k_F and coupling to vector bosons by k_V

- σ_{VBF} , σ_{VH} , Γ_{WW} , Γ_{ZZ} scale as $(k_V)^2$

- σ_{ttH} , Γ_{ff} , scale as $(k_F)^2$

- σ_{ggH} , Γ_{gg} , scale as $(k_F)^2$

[assume they're just the SM quarks in the loop]

- $\Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}$, scale as $|\alpha \cdot k_V + \beta \cdot k_F|^2$

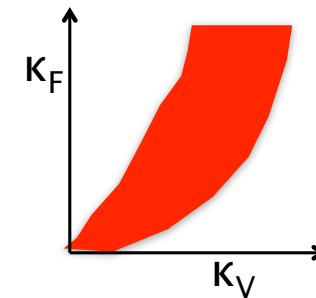
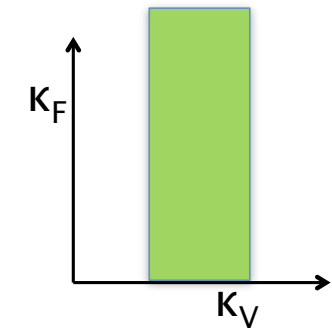
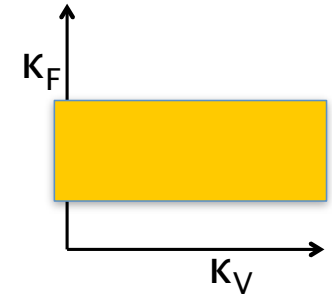
[assume W, t, b in the loop, as in the SM]

- $\Gamma_{tot} = \sum \Gamma_X$ for all X decays in SM

[assume no other BSM decay mode]

Universal vector and fermion couplings

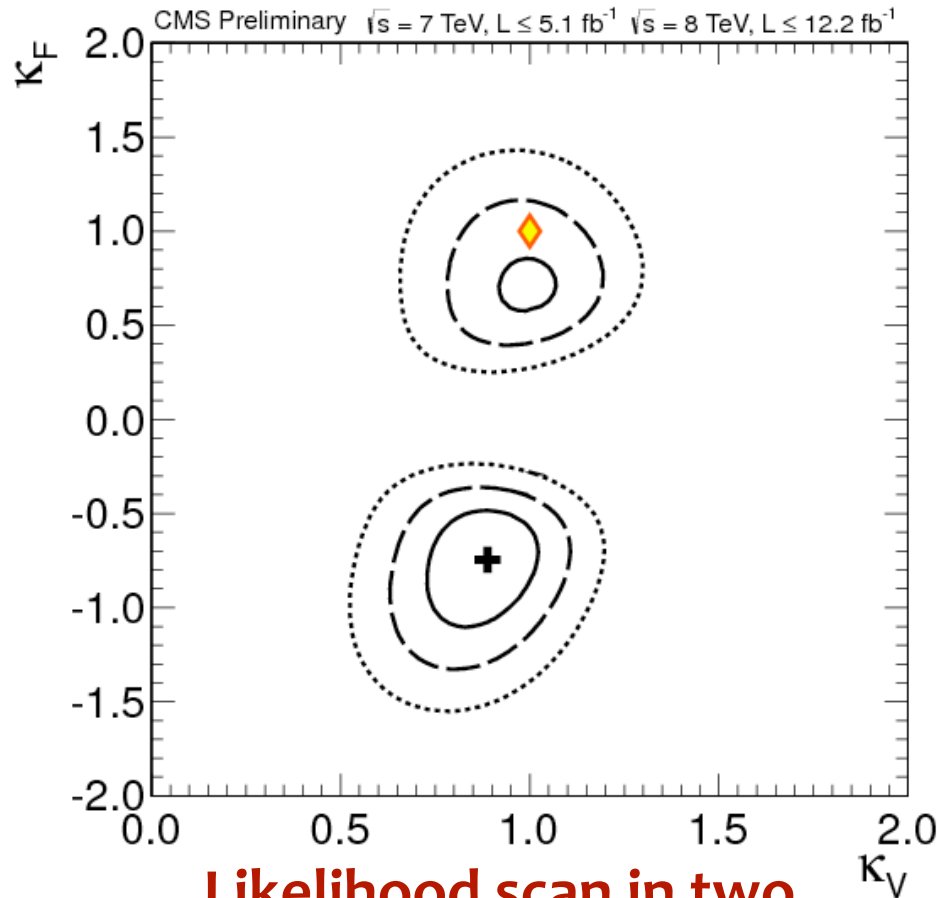
Prod.	Decay	Signal yield scale	Approx
VH	bb	$\kappa_V^2 \kappa_F^2 / [3/4 \kappa_F^2 + 1/4 \kappa_V^2]$	κ_V^2
ttH	bb	$\kappa_F^2 \kappa_F^2 / [3/4 \kappa_F^2 + 1/4 \kappa_V^2]$	κ_F^2
VBF	$\tau\tau$	$\kappa_V^2 \kappa_F^2 / [3/4 \kappa_F^2 + 1/4 \kappa_V^2]$	κ_V^2
ggH	$\tau\tau$	$\kappa_F^2 \kappa_F^2 / [3/4 \kappa_F^2 + 1/4 \kappa_V^2]$	κ_F^2
ggH	WW, ZZ	$\kappa_F^2 \kappa_V^2 / [3/4 \kappa_F^2 + 1/4 \kappa_V^2]$	κ_V^2
VBF	WW	$\kappa_V^2 \kappa_V^2 / [3/4 \kappa_F^2 + 1/4 \kappa_V^2]$	κ_V^4 / κ_F^2
ggH	$\gamma\gamma$	$\kappa_F^2 \kappa_V - 0.21 \kappa_F ^2 / [...]$	κ_V^2
VBF	$\gamma\gamma$	$\kappa_V^2 \kappa_V - 0.21 \kappa_F ^2 / [...]$	κ_V^4 / κ_F^2



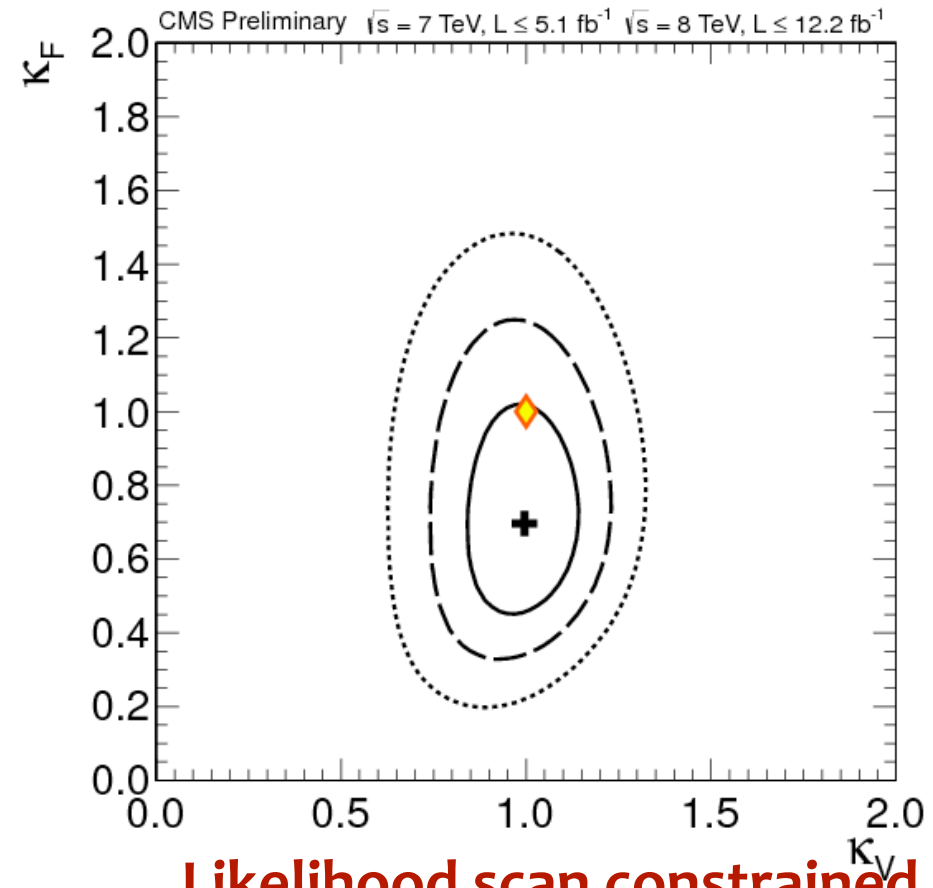


Universal vector and fermion couplings

2D likelihood scan of the test statistic $q(k_v, k_f)$ vs the (k_v, k_f) parameters



Likelihood scan in two quadrants (++) , (+-)

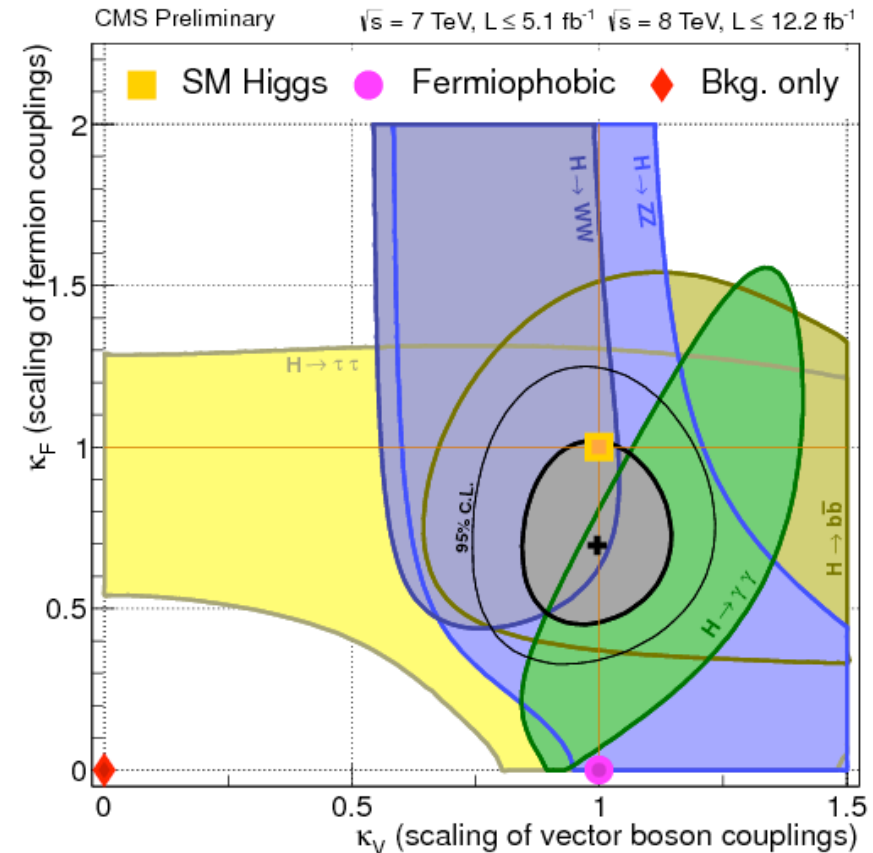
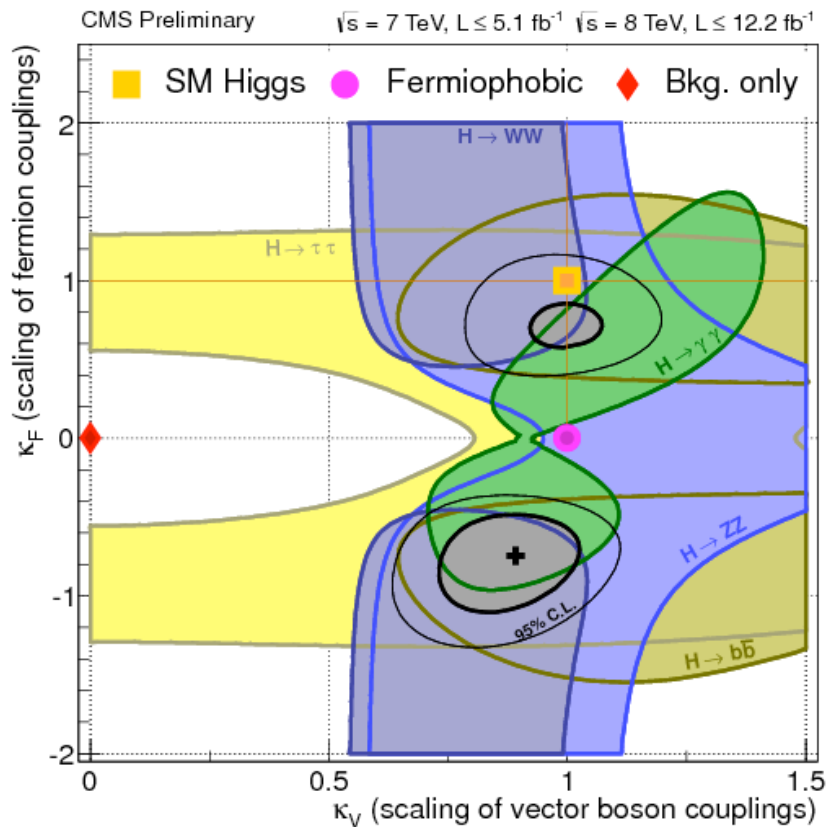


Likelihood scan constrained to the (++) quadrant

Solid, dotted, dashed contours show the 68%, 95%, 99.7% CL ranges
Yellow diamond shows the SM point $(k_v, k_f) = (1, 1)$

Universal vector and fermion couplings

2D likelihood scan of the test statistic $q(k_v, k_f)$ vs the (k_v, k_f) parameters: interplay of different decay modes



The 1D 95% confidence level intervals for k_v and k_f while the other parameter is fixed to unity, are obtained from a 1D-scans and are:

$k_v [0.78 - 1.19]$ $k_f [0.40 - 1.12]$ The data agree with the SM expectations



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Test of the Couplings

✓ Test fermions vs vector boson couplings

✓ Test Custodial symmetry



Testing Custodial Symmetry

Test that the coupling to W and Z bosons scale together from a fit to the full dataset, as in (k_V, k_F) but with independent parameters for W and Z

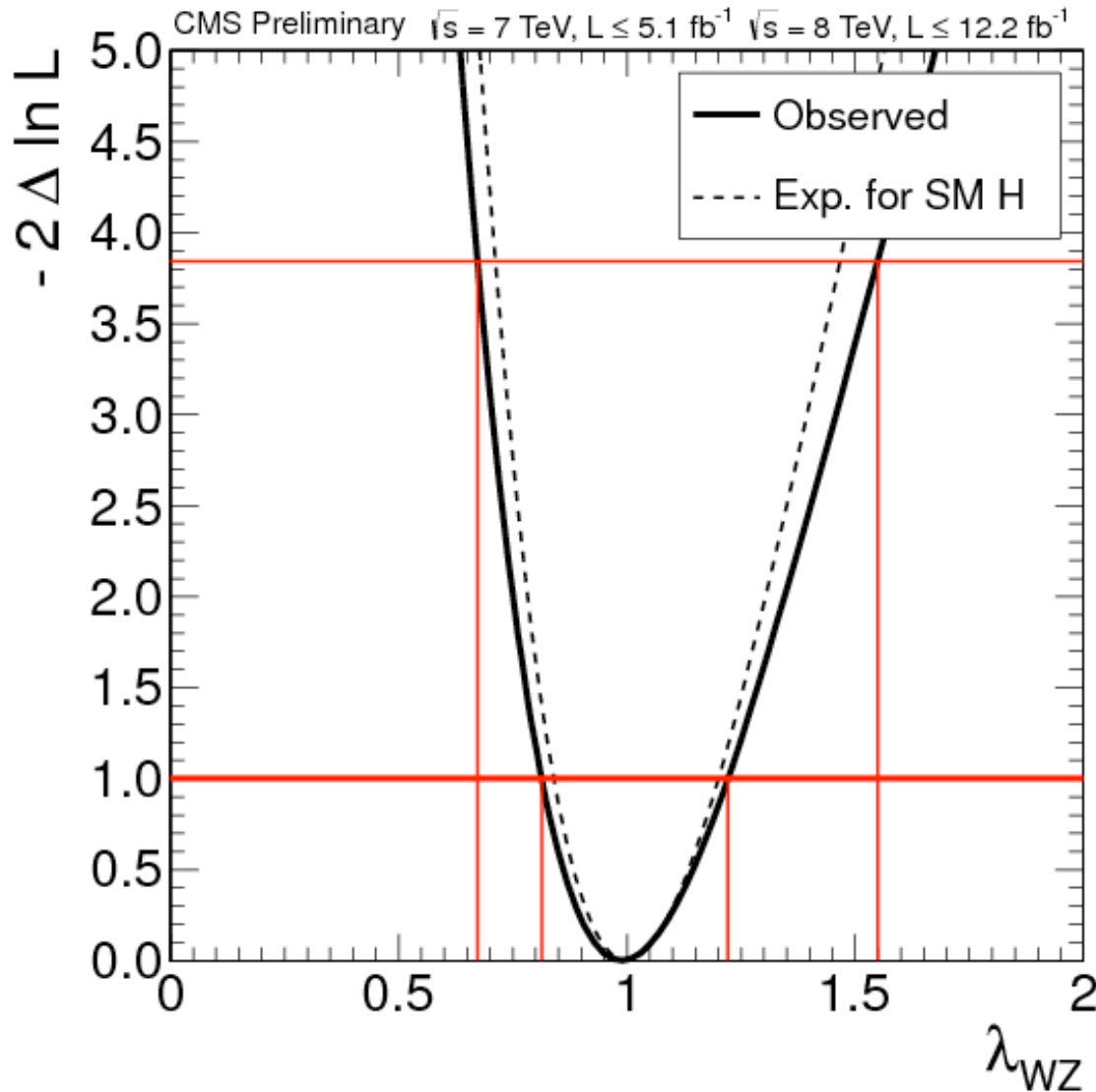
Parametrization: $k_F, k_Z, \lambda_{WZ} = k_W/k_Z$

[assume no other BSM decay mode]



Testing Custodial Symmetry

1D likelihood scan vs λ_{WZ} when k_F , k_Z are profiled together with all the other nuisance parameters



λ_{WZ} is in the interval
[0.67 - 1.55] at 95% CL.

**The data agree with
the SM expectations**



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✓ Test no BSM physics in Loops or Total Width



BSM Physics in loops

Processes induced by loop diagrams ($H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $gg \rightarrow H$) can be particularly susceptible to the presence of new particles

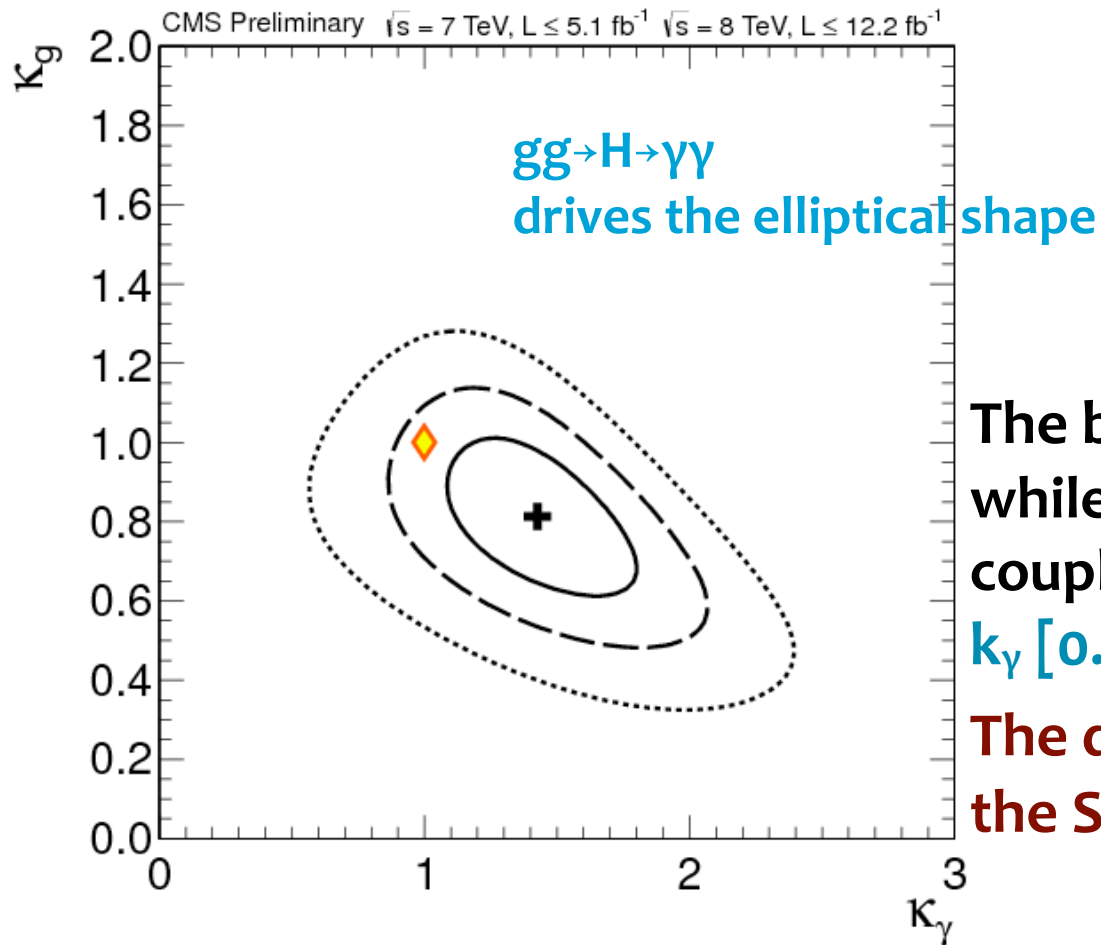
Combine and fit data for scaling factors k_γ and k_g for these two processes

$$\sigma_{ggH} \sim K_g^2 \quad \Gamma_{gg} \sim K_g^2 \quad \Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} \sim K_\gamma^2$$

(assume the tree-level couplings between Higgs and the other particles as they are in the SM)

BSM Physics in loops

2D likelihood scan of the test statistic $q(k_\gamma, k_g)$ vs the (k_γ, k_g) parameters:
interplay of different decay modes



The best fit value is $(k_\gamma, k_g) = (1.43, 0.81)$,
while the 95% CL intervals for these
coupling separately are:

$k_\gamma [0.98 - 1.92]$ $k_g [0.55 - 1.07]$

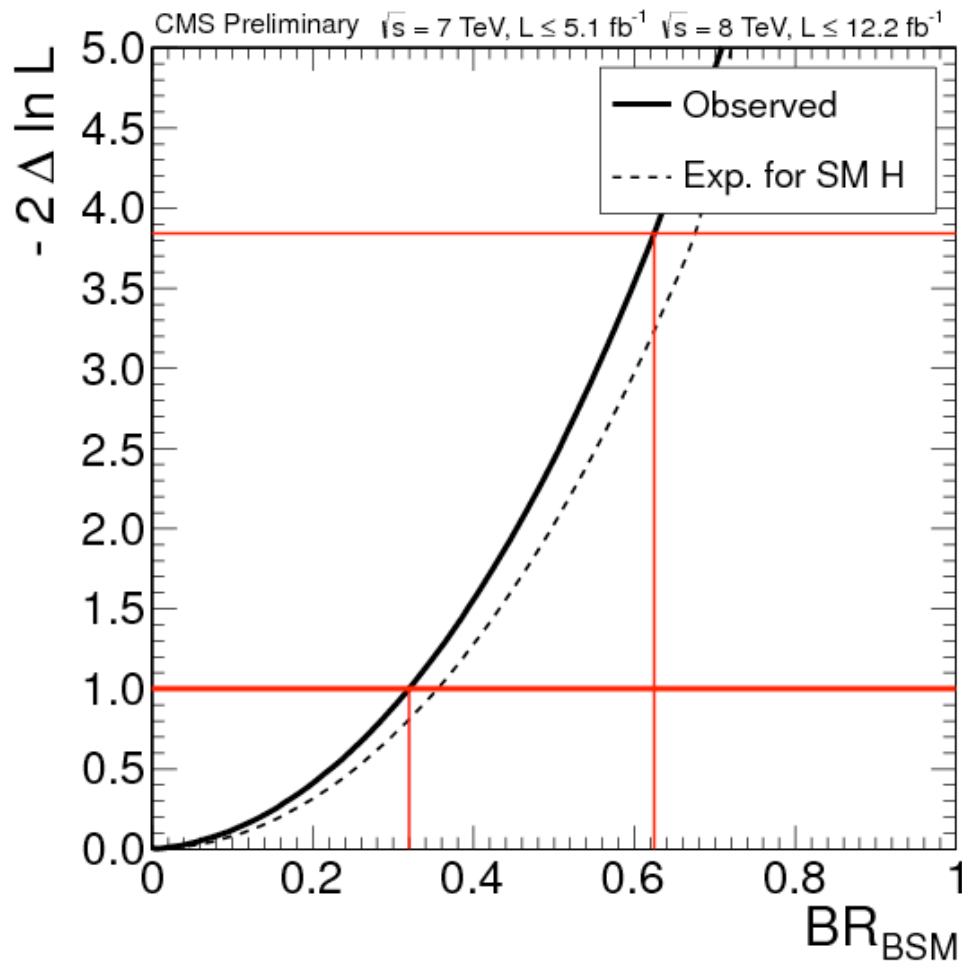
The data agree with
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BSM Physics in Γ_{tot}

1D likelihood scan vs $BR_{\text{BSM}} = \Gamma_{\text{BSM}} / \Gamma_{\text{tot}}$ when k_γ, k_g are profiled together with all the other nuisance parameters



BR_{BSM} is in the interval [0.00 - 0.62] at 95% CL.

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✓ Test no BSM physics in Loops or Total Width

✓ Test of fermion universality



Fermion Universality

Several BSM models predict different couplings for the Higgs to different fermion kinds

Two benchmark models devised to probe this:

- allow separate couplings for up-type and down-type fermions: separate t from b, τ
- allow separate couplings for quarks and leptons

In particular define:

$\lambda_{du} = k_d/k_u$ (ratio of the coupling to down/up fermions)

$\lambda_{lq} = k_l/k_q$ (ratio of the coupling to leptons and quarks)

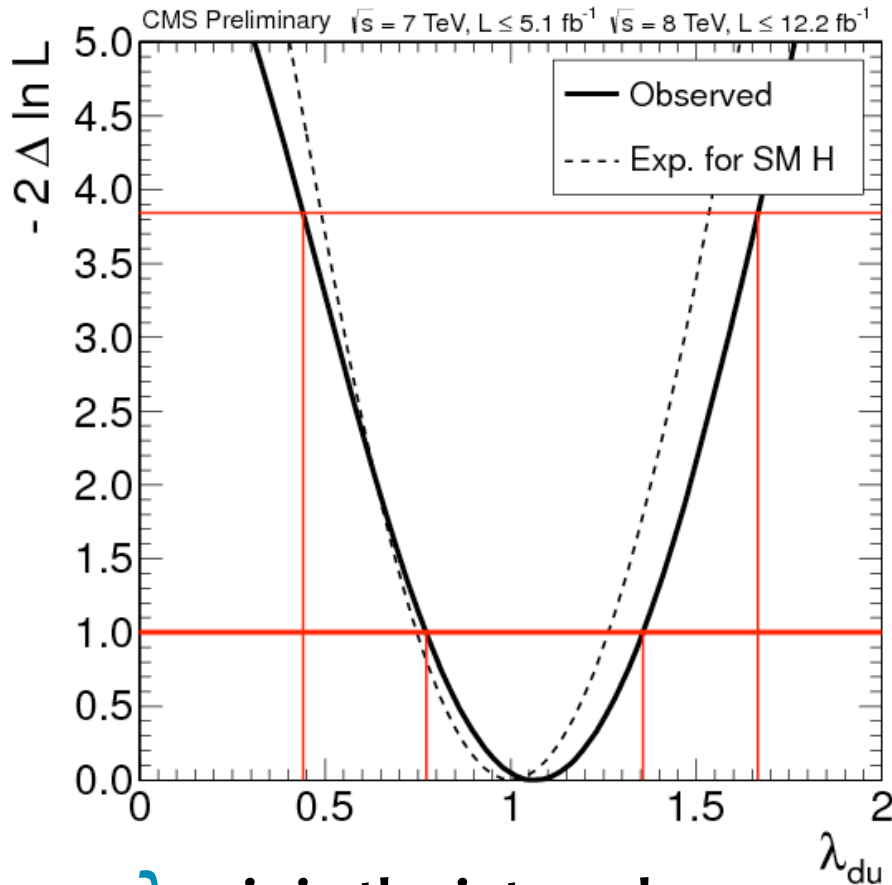
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Fermion Universality

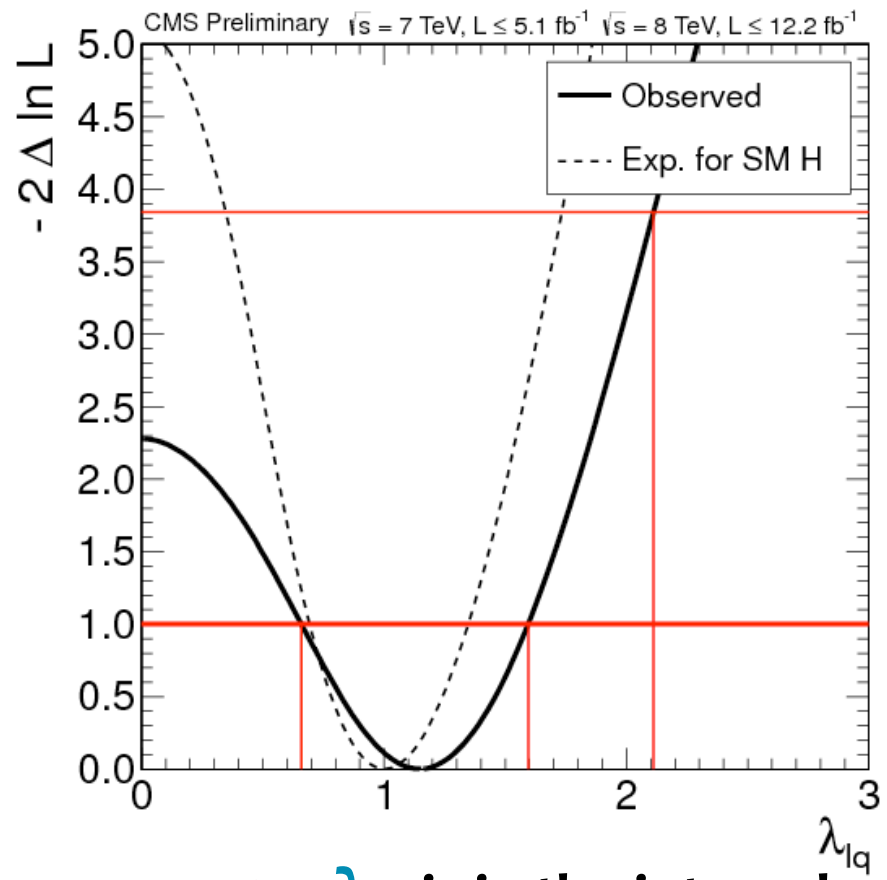
1D likelihood scan vs λ_{du} and λ_{lq}

(while the other free coupling modifiers $(k_v, k_u)/(k_v, k_q)$ are profiled together with the other nuisance parameters)



λ_{du} is in the interval
[0.45 - 1.66] at 95% CL.

The data agree with
the **SM expectations**



λ_{lq} is in the interval
[0.00 - 2.11] at 95% CL.



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Test of the Couplings

- all coupling tests **within one sigma from SMH**

(2 sigma when $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ drives)

5. Spin and parity



Spin and Parity

The new state decays in $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow$ **SPIN 1 Hypothesis ruled out**

The $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ channel can exploit the angular information using the “MELA” methodology to test the hypothesis $J^P = 0^+ \text{ vs } J^P = 0^-$

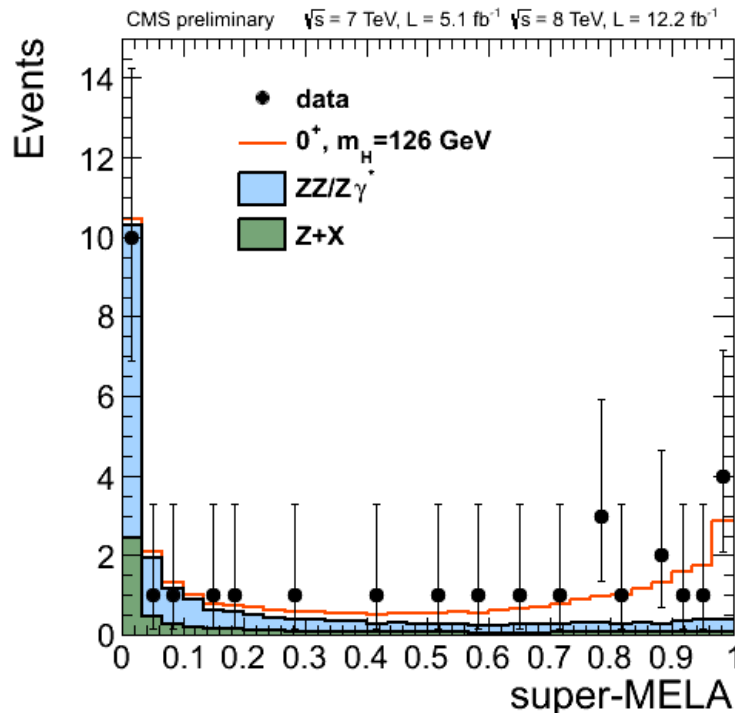
“MELA” methodology:
$$\left[1 + \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4l})}{\mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4l})} \right]^{-1}$$

(2D PFD (MELA, m_{4l})) \rightarrow (2D PFD (pseudoMELA, superMELA))

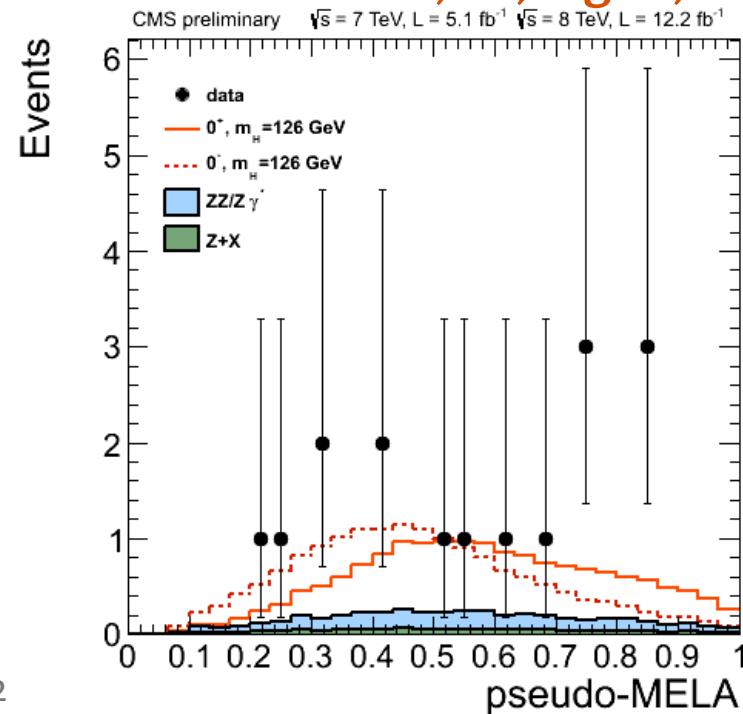
Signal to Bkg prob ratio
as a function of m_1, m_2, angles

Signal(0^+) to Signal(0^-) prob ratio
as a function of m_1, m_2, angles

Signal to Bkg prob ratio
as a function of
 $m_1, m_2, \text{angles}, m_{4l}$



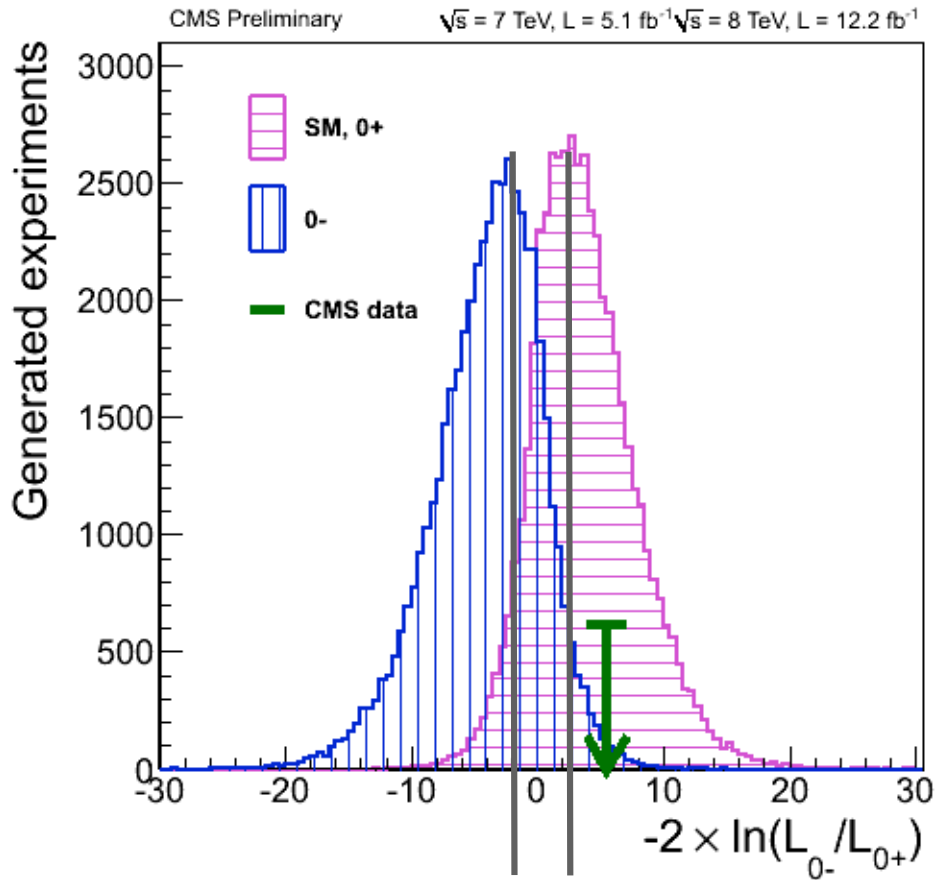
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Spin and Parity

Distribution of the test statistic (likelihood ratio) built with the 2D PDF:
(pseudoMELA, superMELA) with generated bkg and signal of two types, for $m_H=126$
Expected distributions are obtained with cross section equal to SM for both signal hypothesis



1.99 σ from 0^+

1.93 σ from 0^-

assuming $J^P = 0^-$

the observed value of q is consistent with expectation **within 2.5 standard deviations**

assuming $J^P = 0^+$

the observed value of q is consistent with expectation **within 0.53 standard deviations**

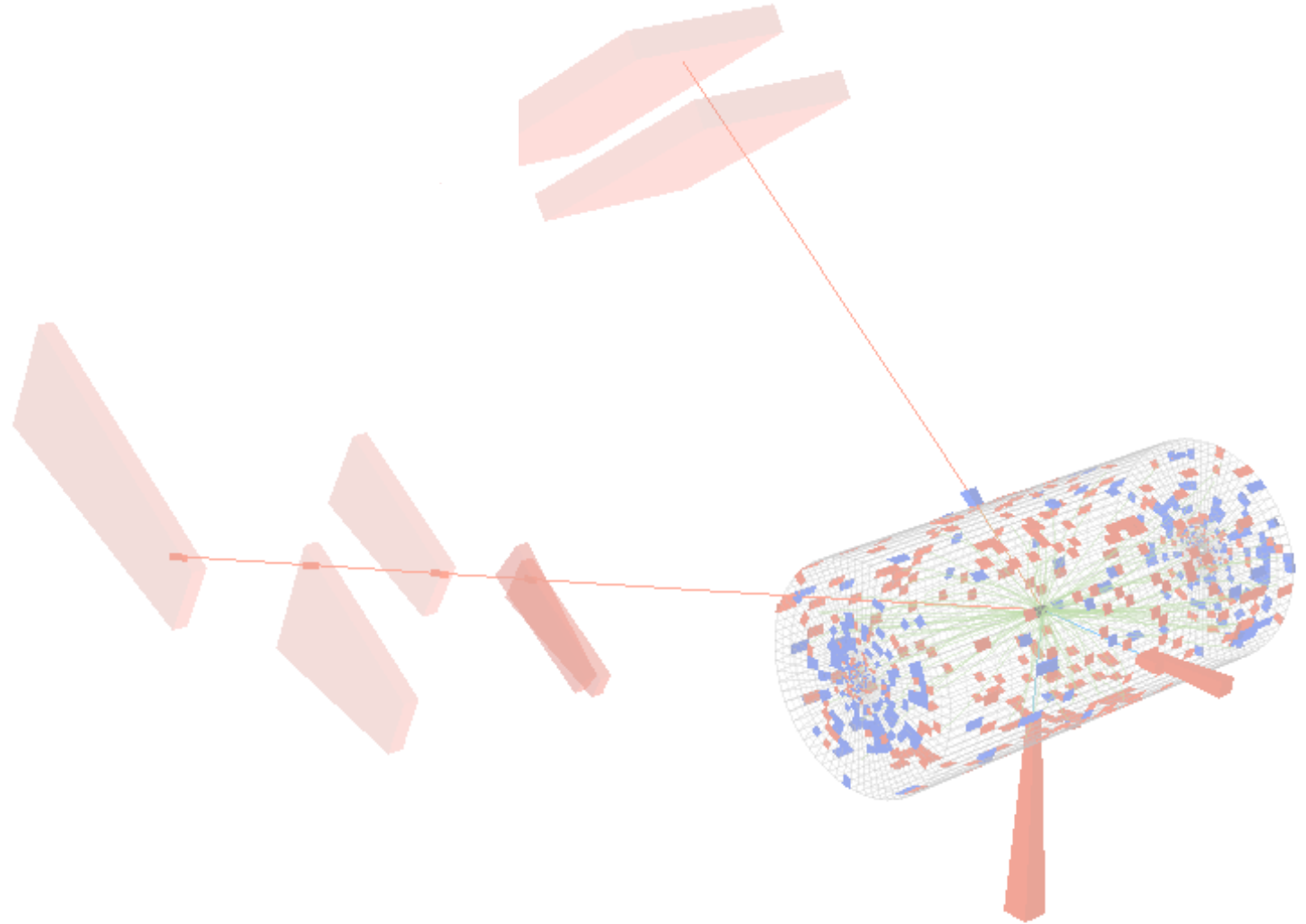
CLs criterion: $\sim 3\%$ disfavouring $J^P = 0^-$



Conclusions

- New results consistent with publications
 - significance of the signal now at 6.8 standard deviations
 - mass of the particle: $m_X = 125.8 \pm 0.4 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.4 \text{ (syst)}$
- Particle behave even more like the Higgs compared to ICHEP
 - fermionic final states starting to build up excess
 - 2.5 standard deviations **disfavoring particle to be pseudoscalar**
 - couplings are well within 2 standard deviations of SM

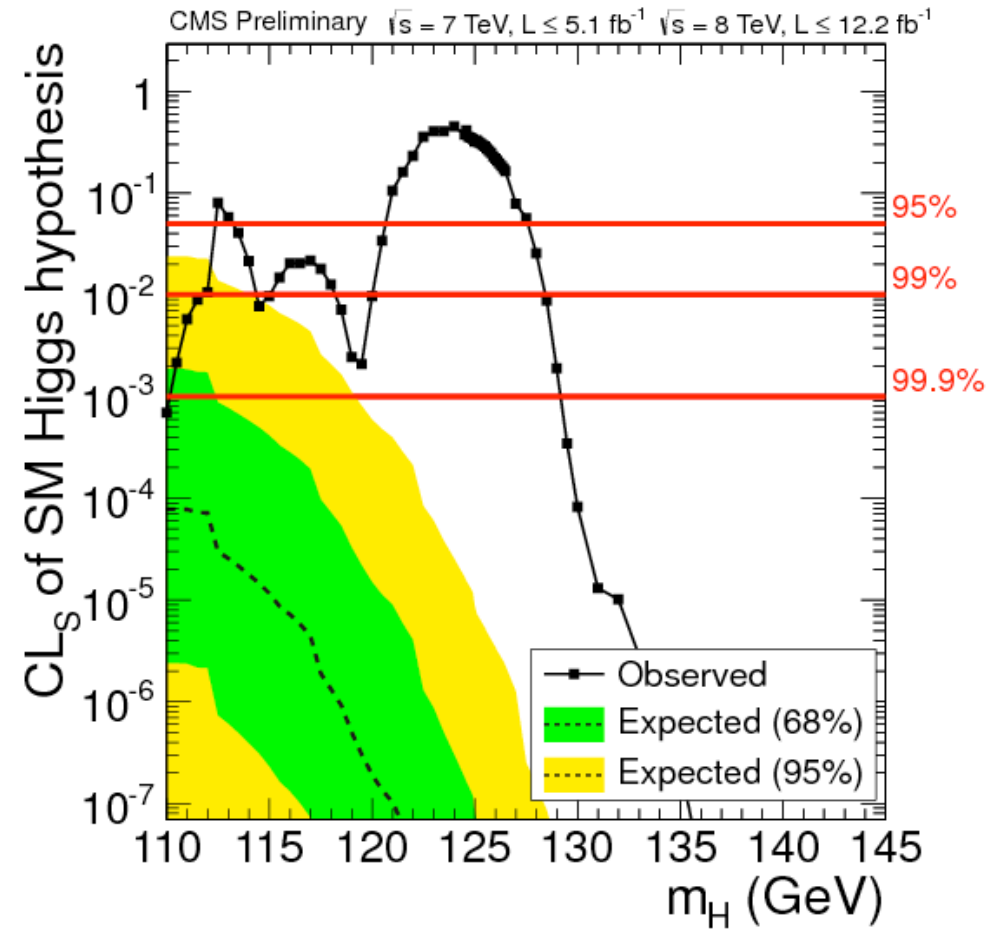
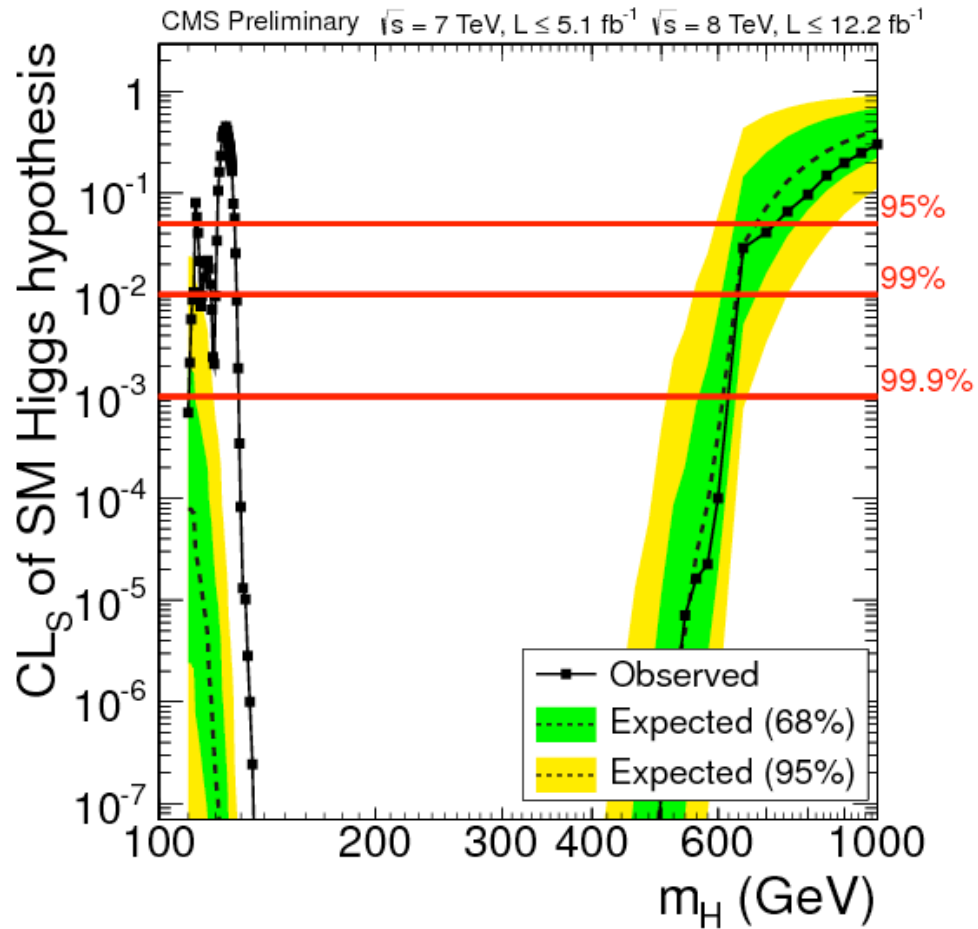
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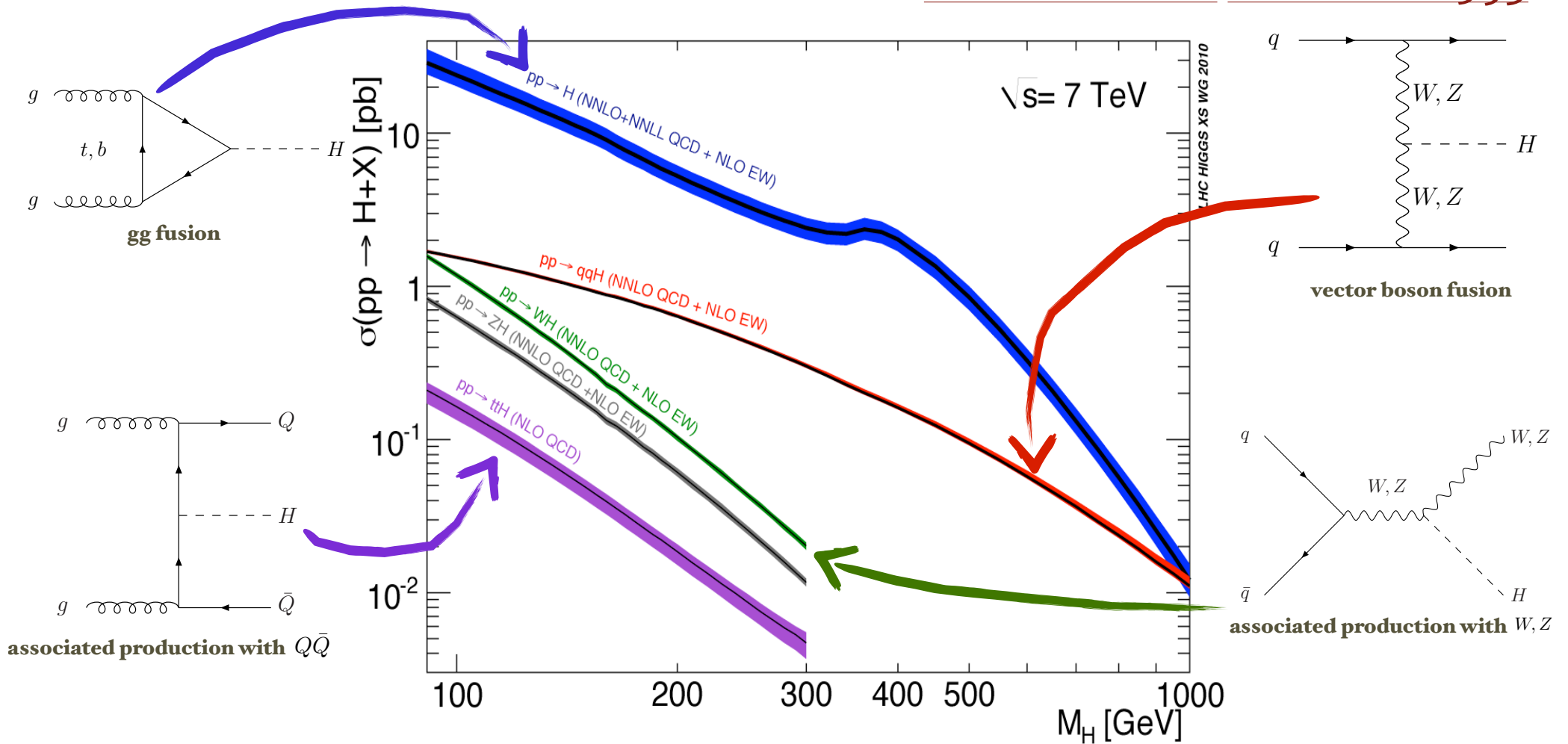
Combining the results: Exclusion CLs

The CLs value for the SM Higgs boson hypothesis as a function of m_H



Higgs Production

The LHC H XS WG
 CERN-2011-002 arXiv:1101.0593





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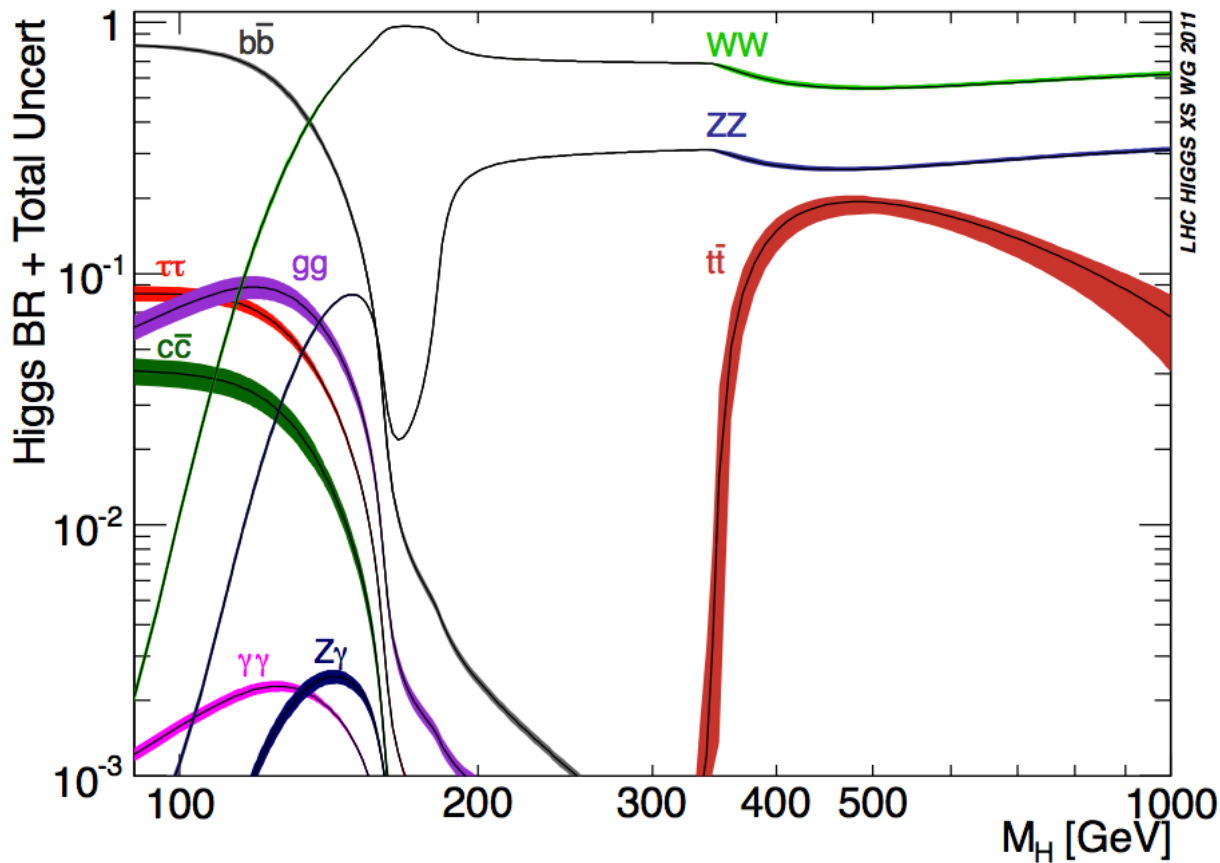
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	$K_{\text{NNLO/NLO}}$ ($K_{\text{NLO/LO}}$)	Scale	PDF+ a_s	Total error
ggF	+25% (+100%)	+12% -7%	$\pm 8\%$	+20 -15%
VBF	<1% (+5-10%)	$\pm 1\%$	$\pm 4\%$	$\pm 5\%$
WH/ZH	+2-6% (+30%)	$\pm 1\%$	$\pm 4\%$	$\pm 5\%$
ttH	- (+5-20%)	+4% -10%	$\pm 8\%$	+12 -18%

Higgs Decay

The LHC H XS WG

$$\Gamma_H = \Gamma_{HD} - \Gamma_{ZZ}^{HD} - \Gamma_{WW}^{HD} + \Gamma_{4f}^{Proph.} + \Gamma_{\gamma\gamma}^{HD} \delta_{\gamma ff}^{QED}$$



HD=HDecay NLO QCD +NLO EW
 Proph = Prophecy4f NLO QCD+NLO EW

MH	Decay	THU	PU	Total
120 GeV	H→γγ	±2.9%	±2.5%	±5.4%
	H→bb	±1.3%	±1.5%	±2.8%
	H→ττ	±3.6%	±2.5%	±6.1%
150 GeV	H→WW	±0.3%	±0.6%	±0.9%
	H→ZZ	±0.3%	±0.6%	±0.9%



HZZ4 systematics



HZZ4H blobs



To remember tags

	untagged	VBF-tag	VH-tag	ttH -tag
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	✓	✓		
$H \rightarrow bb$			✓	✓
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	✓	✓	✓	
$H \rightarrow WW$	✓	✓	✓	
$H \rightarrow ZZ$	✓			



H → gg Event Selection

γ Preselection: $E_{T\gamma 1}/m_{\gamma\gamma} > 3$ and $E_{T\gamma 2}/m_{\gamma\gamma} > 4$

electron veto, isolation and shower width criteria

[preselection efficiency [no ele veto] from 93-100% from Z → ee tnp]

[ele veto efficiency 97-100% from Z → μμγ events]

γ ID MVA (BDT) BASED: to separate prompt-γ from π⁰ emerging from jets

requirement on γ ID BDT output 99% on preselected signal events, removing 27% of data-event in 100-180 GeV region.

Inputs variables: isolation, shower shape, pre-shower energy, per event energy density, and pseudorapidity

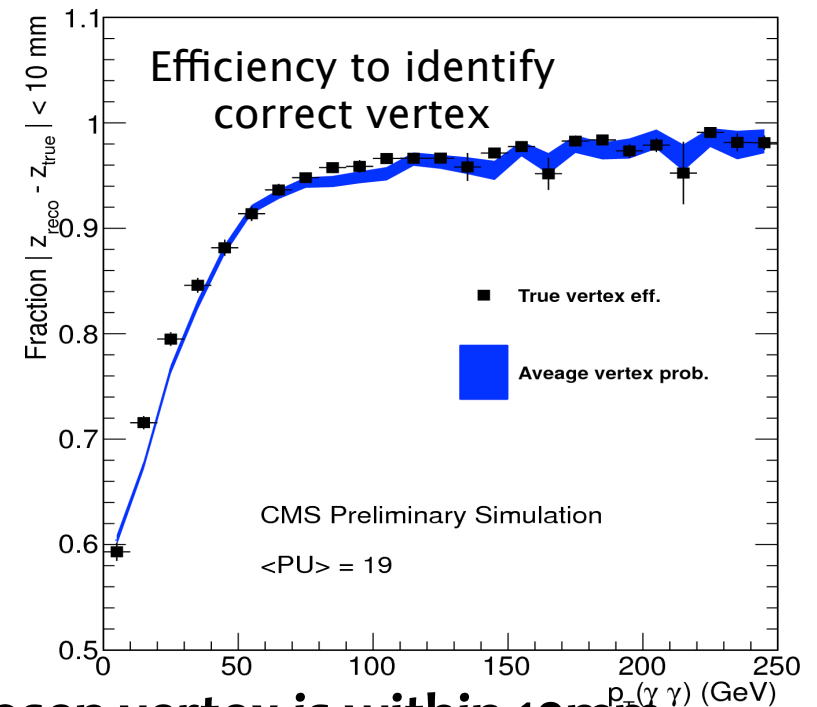
VERTEX ID MVA (BDT) BASED:

- if the vertex is within ~10 mm from the nominal interaction point mass resolution is not degraded
- choose the vertex among the reconstructed ones

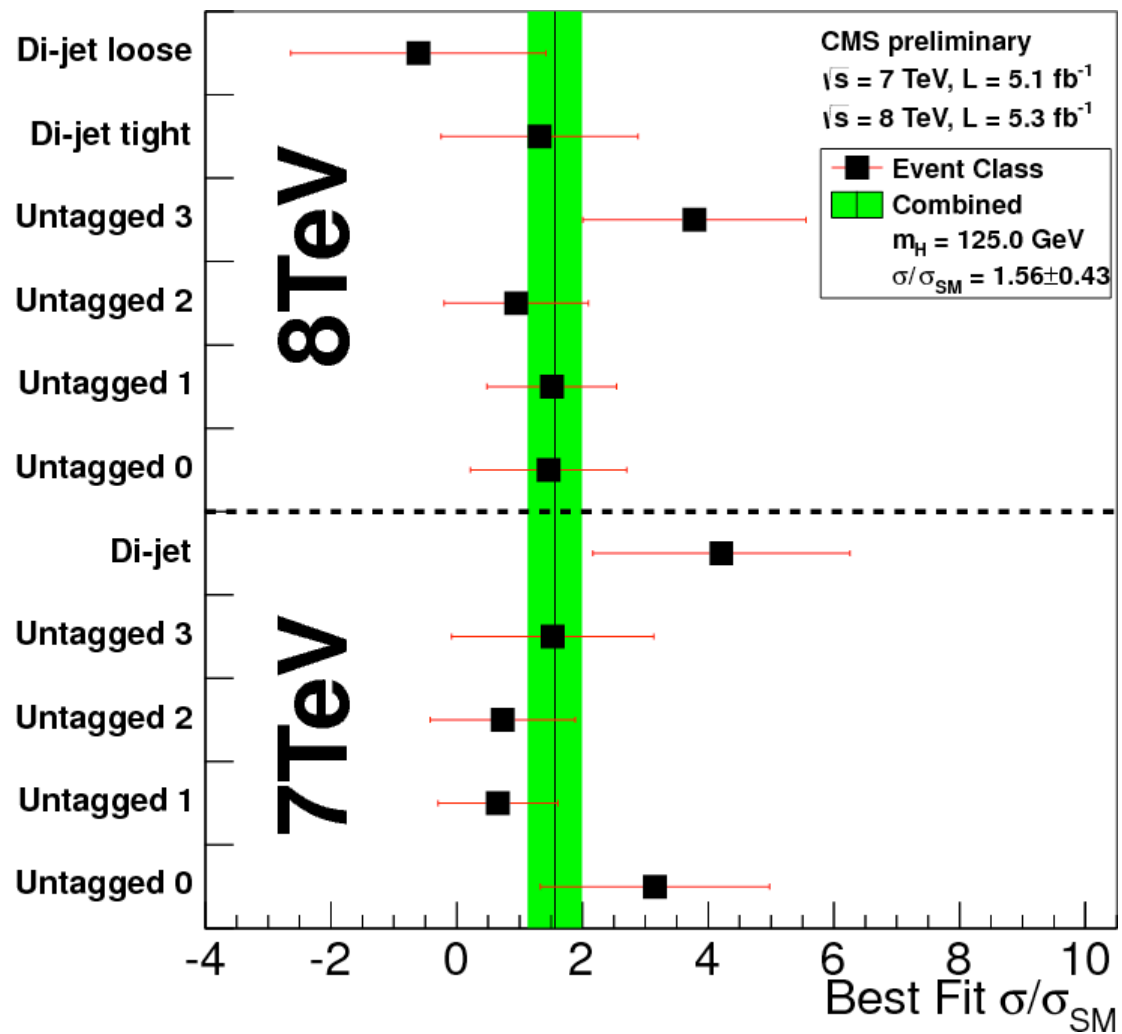
BDT variable to select the right vertex

Inputs variables: Σp_t^2 , Σp_t projected onto the γγ transverse direction, p_t asymmetry, and conversions

BDT variable to define the EBE probability the chosen vertex is within 10mm from the nominal interaction [used with energy resolution, to estimate mass resolution]

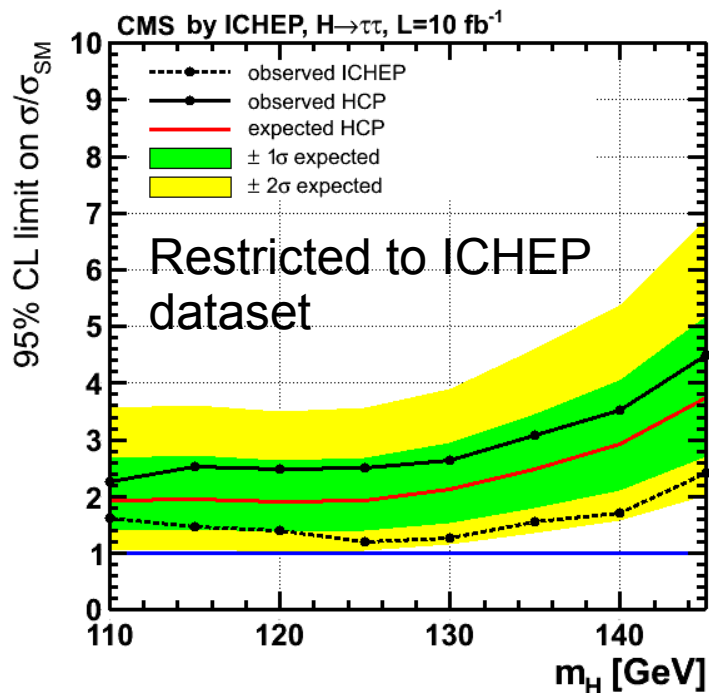


H → gg categories



H → ττ @ ICHEP

Compatibility with ICHEP Result



- Underfluctuation by ICHEP driven by VBF category.
- Since ICHEP several changes applied to improve and simplify analysis:
 - Re-reconstruction of 2012 dataset.
 - Improved \cancel{E}_T reconstruction.
 - Simplification of VBF selection (unification across all channels).

- Due to these changes the event overlap in this event category is O(20%).
- Estimated compatibility of the two observed limits after re-analysis ~12%

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H → $\tau\tau$ Background

Z → $\tau\tau$:

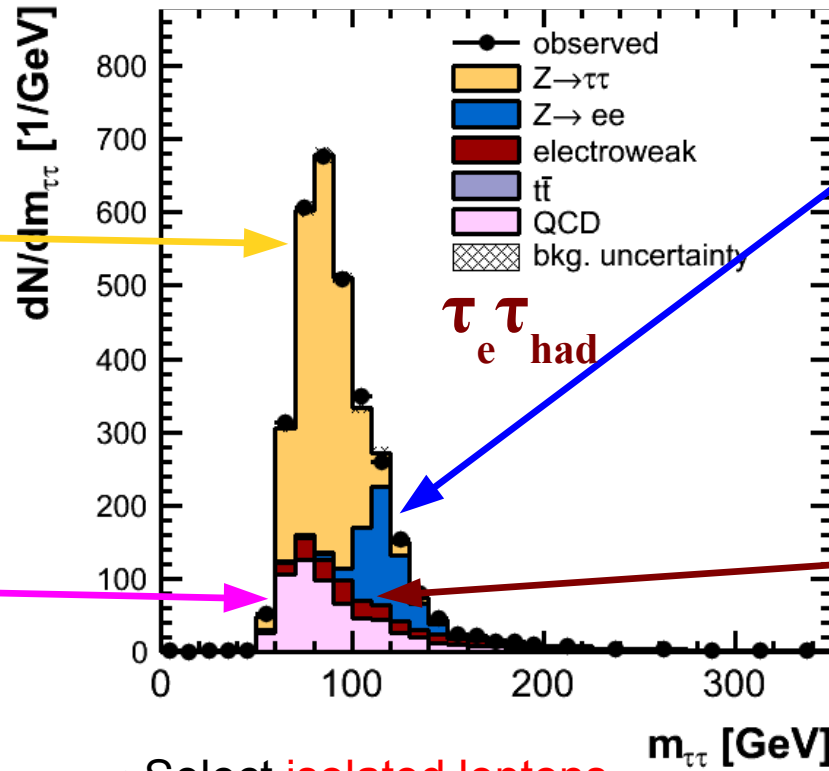
- Embedding: in Z → $\mu\mu$, replace μ by sim. τ decay.
- Normalized from Z → $\mu\mu$ events.

QCD:

- Normalization & shape taken from LS/OS or fakerate.

$t\bar{t}$:

- From madgraph.
- Normalization from sideband.



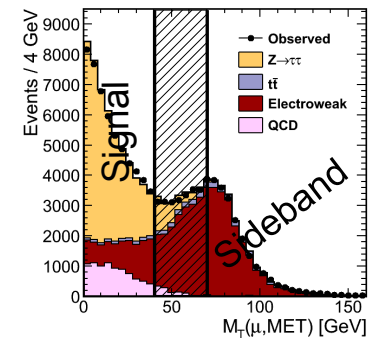
Z → ee ($\mu\mu$):

- From powheg.
- Corrected for jet → τ , e/μ → τ fakerate.

Diboson/W+jets:

- From madgraph.
- Normalization from sideband.

- Select **isolated leptons**.
- Restrict E_T (supp. W+jets, $t\bar{t}$).
- **Discriminate signal** from background based on $m_{\tau\tau}$.

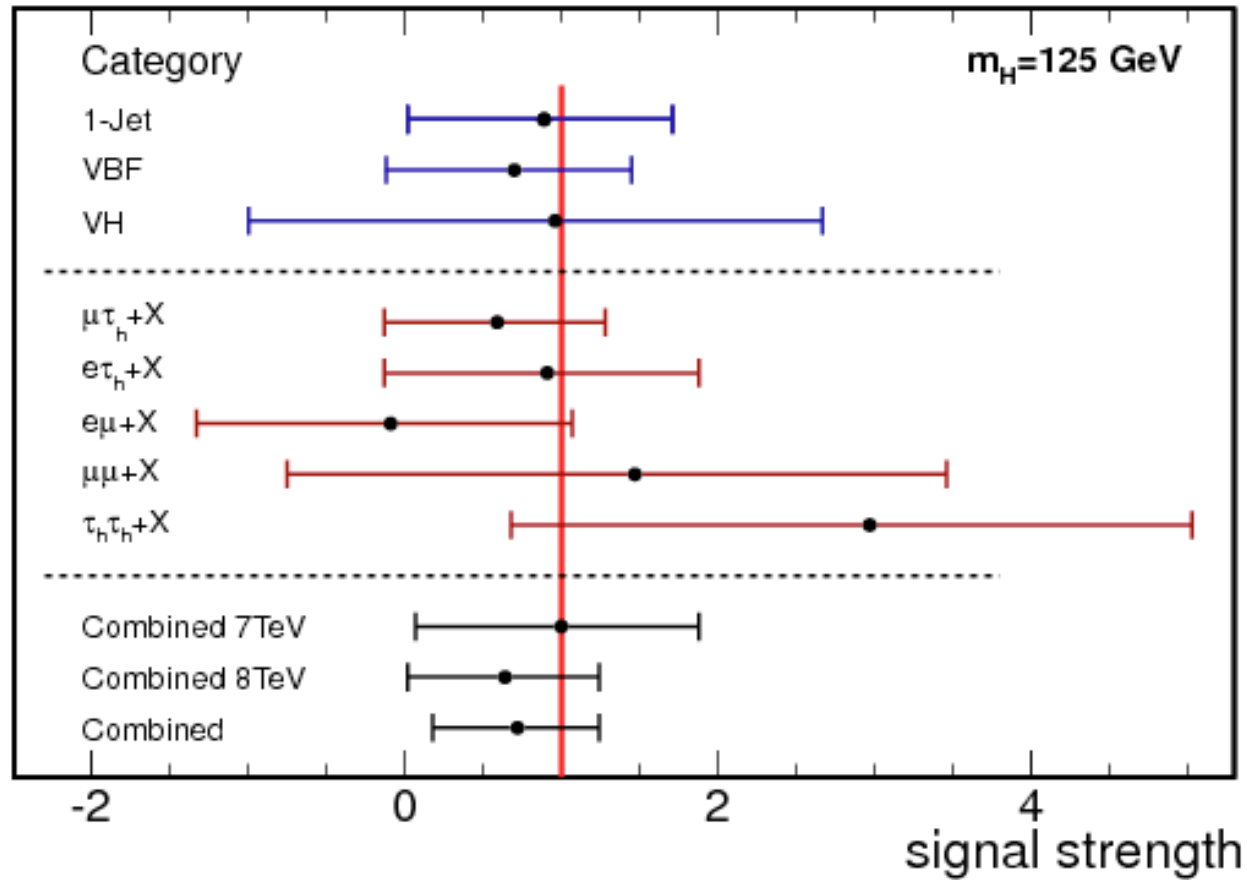




$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ Signal Strength

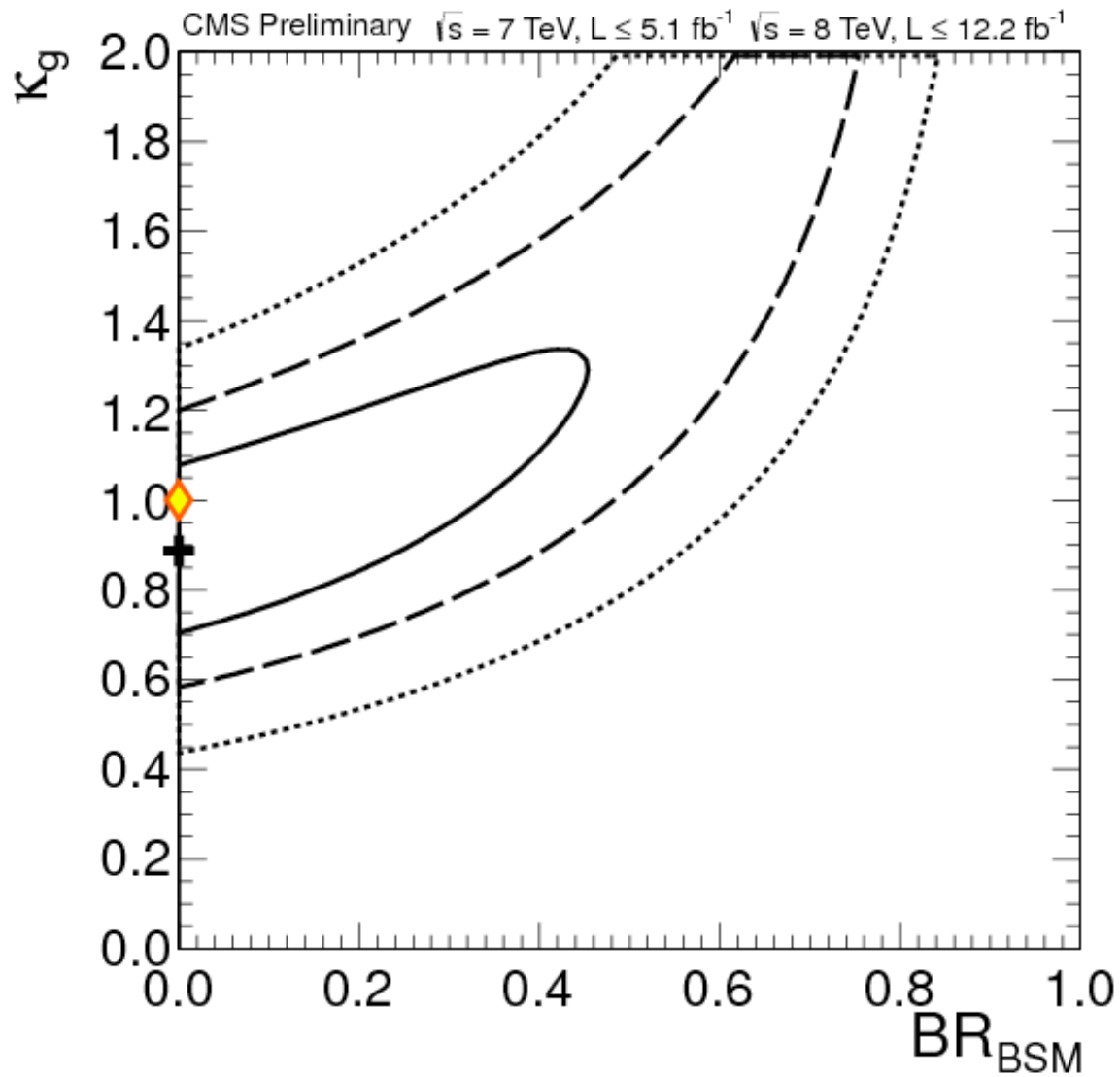
CMS Preliminary

17 fb⁻¹ at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV





BSM Physics in Γ_{tot}





Summary Coupling

Model parameters	Assessed scaling factors (95% CL intervals)	Comments
λ_{WZ}, κ_Z	λ_{WZ} [0.57–1.65]	Ratio of couplings to W and Z; ZZ and WW(0/1jet) channels only
$\lambda_{WZ}, \kappa_Z, \kappa_f$	λ_{WZ} [0.67–1.55]	Ratio of couplings to W and Z
κ_V	κ_V [0.78–1.19]	Couplings to W/Z-bosons (V); $\kappa_f = 1$
κ_f	κ_f [0.40–1.12]	Couplings to fermions (f); $\kappa_V = 1$
κ_γ, κ_g	κ_γ [0.98–1.92] κ_g [0.55–1.07]	Couplings to photons (γ) and gluons (g) (loop-induced couplings)
$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{BSM}), \kappa_\gamma, \kappa_g$	$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{BSM})$ [0.00–0.62]	Branching ratio for decays to BSM particles
$\lambda_{du}, \kappa_V, \kappa_u$	λ_{du} [0.45–1.66]	Ratio of couplings to down and up-type fermions
$\lambda_{\ell q}, \kappa_V, \kappa_q$	$\lambda_{\ell q}$ [0.00–2.11]	Ratio of couplings to leptons and quarks
$\kappa_V, \kappa_b, \kappa_\tau, \kappa_t, \kappa_g, \kappa_\gamma$	κ_V [0.58–1.41]	Couplings to W/Z-bosons (V)
	κ_b [not constrained]	Couplings to down-type quarks (b)
	κ_τ [0.00–1.80]	Couplings to charged leptons (τ)
	κ_t [not constrained]	Couplings to top-type quarks (t)
	κ_g [0.43–1.92]	Effective couplings to gluons (g)
	κ_γ [0.81–2.27]	Effective couplings to photons (γ)