

# **The road to the ElectroWeak Symmetry Breaking**

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# Outline

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- ❑ The Higgs boson and the **ElectroWeak Symmetry Breaking (EWSB)**
- ❑ **Status: CMS results** in a nutshell, focusing on **high mass H- $\rightarrow$ VV**
- ❑ **What's next ?**
  - move to **larger mass (>600 GeV beyond SM)**
    - control of V+jets background
    - jet merging
    - signal characterization (angular analysis)
  - improve sensitivity to **smaller xsec -> Vector Boson Fusion**
    - control of VV background
- ❑ The final arbiter: **VV scattering**

# Why we need the Higgs

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The Higgs boson provides

- 1) an EXPLICATION of the **W,Z mass (ie EWSB)**
  - 2) a DESCRIPTION of the **fermions masses**
- **1 is really fundamental to make the SM “working”** (next slides)  
... even if not less arbitrary!
  - 2 is just another way of formulating the same question:
    - why the fermions have those particular masses?
    - why the fermions have those particular Higgs couplings?(SM works well without 2: just the **fermio-phobic Higgs**)

# EWSB and the W, Z mass

$$L_{gauge} = -\frac{1}{4}W_{\mu\nu}^i W^{\mu\nu i} - \frac{1}{4}B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}m^2 W_{\mu\nu}^i W^{\mu\nu i} + \frac{1}{2}m^2 B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} W_{\mu\nu}^i &= \partial_\nu W_\mu^i - \partial_\mu W_\nu^i + g\varepsilon^{ijk}W_\mu^j W_\nu^k \\ B_{\mu\nu} &= \partial_\nu B_\mu - \partial_\mu B_\nu \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{SU(2)} \\ \times \\ \text{U(1)} \end{array}$$

Gauge invariance



scalar potential ( $\lambda > 0, \mu < 0$ )  $V(\Phi) = \mu^2 |\Phi^+ \Phi| + \lambda (\Phi^+ \Phi)^2$

complex scalar doublet of SU(2)  $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$

with minimum (= empty state) at ( $v$  = empty expectation value)

$\langle \Phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}$  or  ~~$\langle \Phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$~~   $\rightarrow$  ~~SU(2)~~

generic Gauge

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\frac{\omega^i \tau^i}{2v}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v+h \end{pmatrix}$$

1 physical scalar field  $\langle h \rangle = 0$

3 Goldstone bosons  $\omega_j$

4 Gauge fields  $W_\mu^i, B_\mu$

Gauge unitario

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v+h \end{pmatrix}$$

1 physical scalar field  $\rightarrow$  Higgs

4 Gauge fields combined into known vector bosons:  
W,Z with mass, photon massless

$$W_\mu^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (W_\mu^1 \mp iW_\mu^2) \quad M_W^2 = \frac{1}{4} g^2 v^2$$

$$Z^\mu = \frac{-g'B_\mu + gW_\mu^3}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} \quad M_Z^2 = \frac{1}{4} (g^2 + g'^2) v^2$$

$$A^\mu = \frac{-gB_\mu + g'W_\mu^3}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} \quad M_A^2 = 0 \quad \text{U(1)}_{EM}$$

# Higgs and unitarity in VBF

W,Z mass (-> longitudinal degrees of freedom) arise from the Higgs mechanism:

without Higgs,  $W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-$   
would break unitarity

$$A(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-) \approx \frac{1}{v^2} \left( -s - t + \frac{s^2}{s - m_H^2} + \frac{t^2}{t - m_H^2} \right)$$

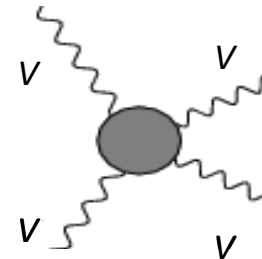
Same behavior for all VV amplitudes

$$A(Z_L Z_L \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-) \approx \frac{1}{v^2} \left( -s + \frac{s^2}{s - m_H^2} \right) \text{ (s channel only)}$$

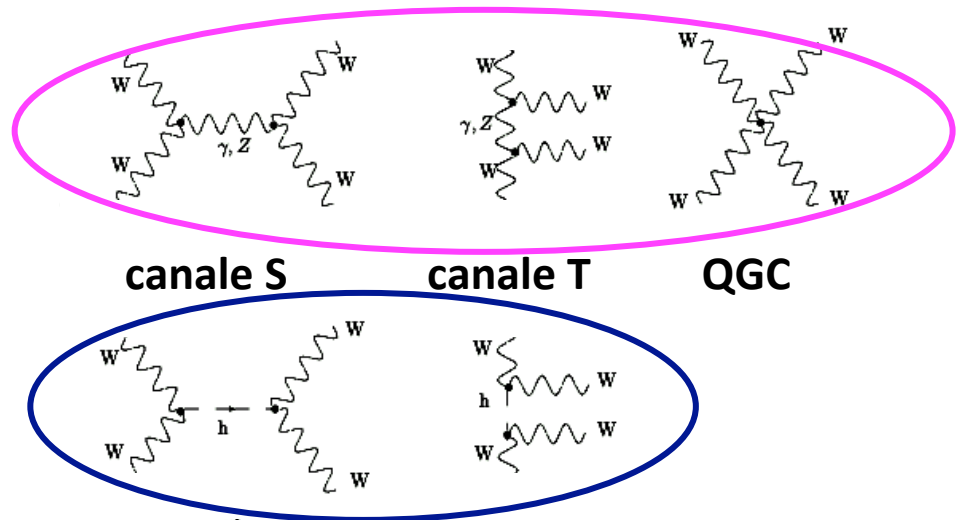
$$A(Z_L W_L^- \rightarrow Z_L W_L^-) \approx \frac{1}{v^2} \left( -t + \frac{t^2}{t - m_H^2} \right) \text{ (t channel only)}$$

$$A(W_L^- W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^- W_L^-) \approx \frac{1}{v^2} \left( -u - t + \frac{u^2}{u - m_H^2} + \frac{t^2}{t - m_H^2} \right) \text{ (t and u channels)}$$

## Vector Boson Fusion (VBF)



$VV \rightarrow VV$

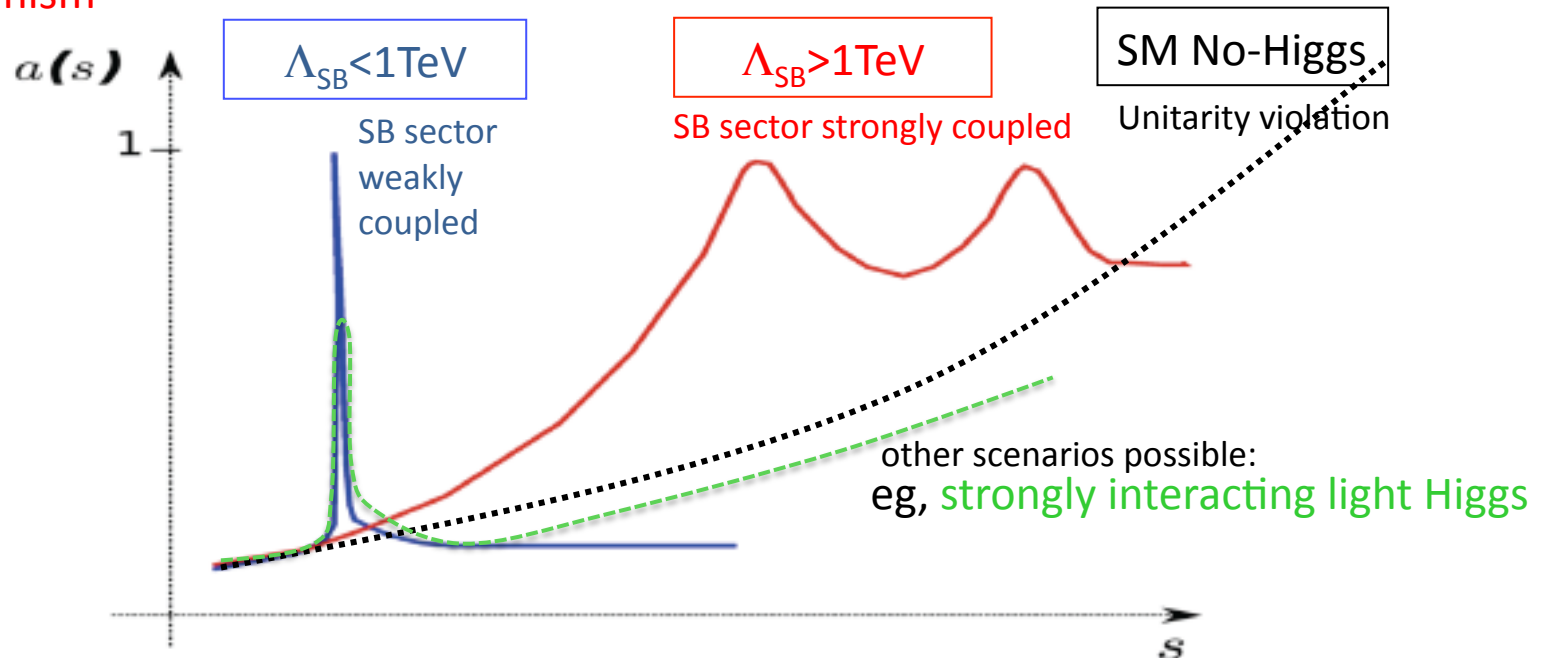


VBF is the smoking gun of the EWSB !

# VBF and VV scattering

## □ VV scattering spectrum $\sigma(VV \rightarrow VV)$ vs $M(VV)$

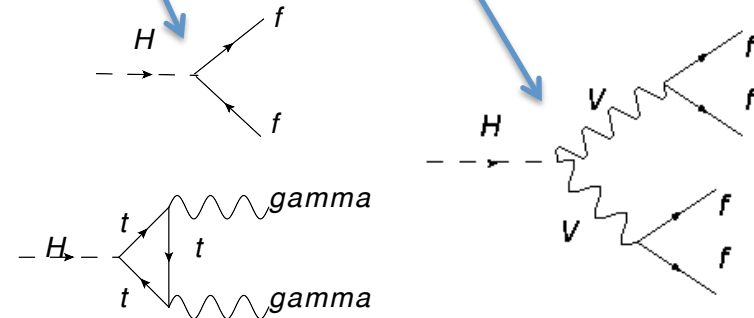
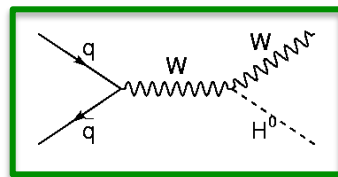
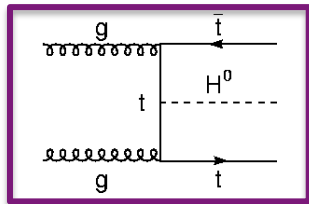
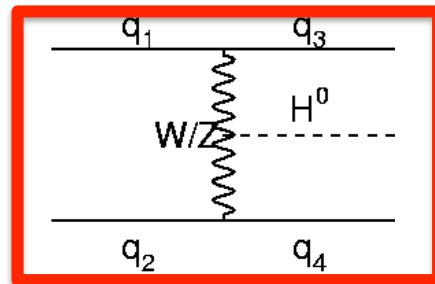
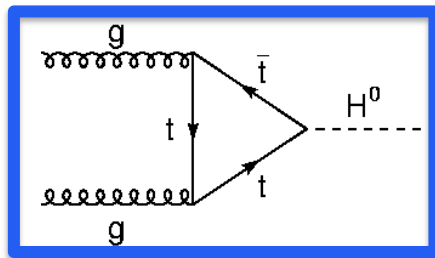
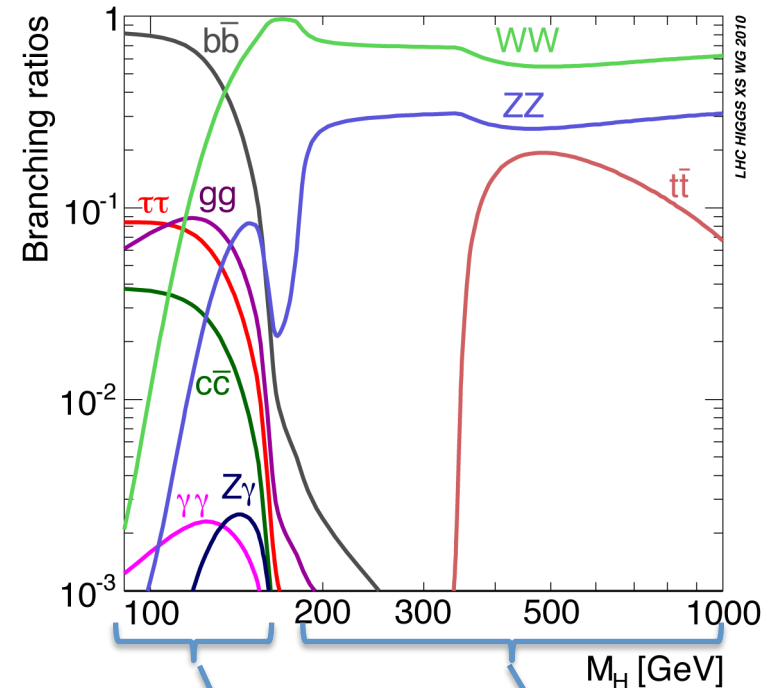
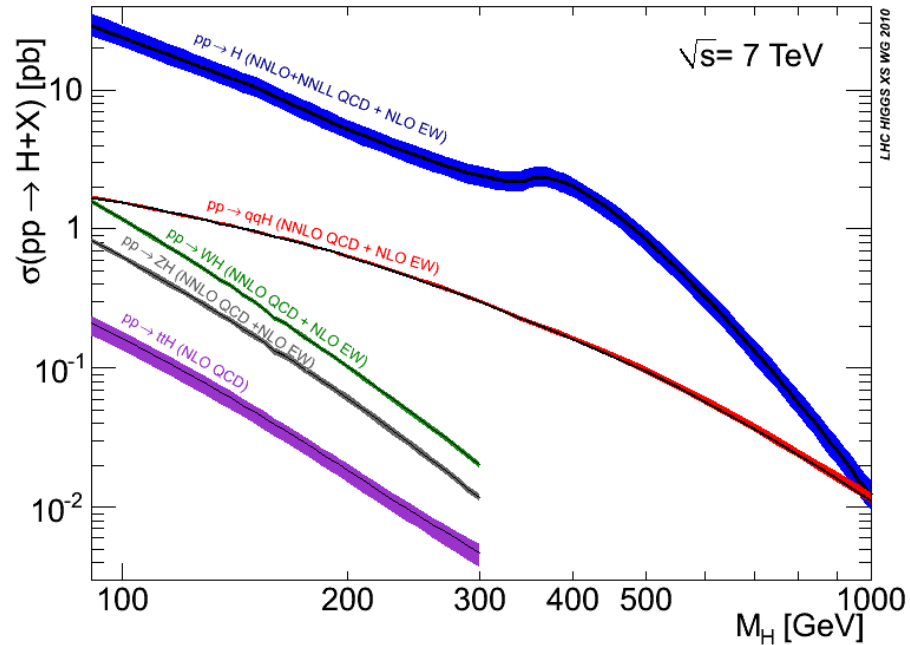
is the fundamental probe to test **nature of Higgs boson** or to find **alternative EWSB mechanism**



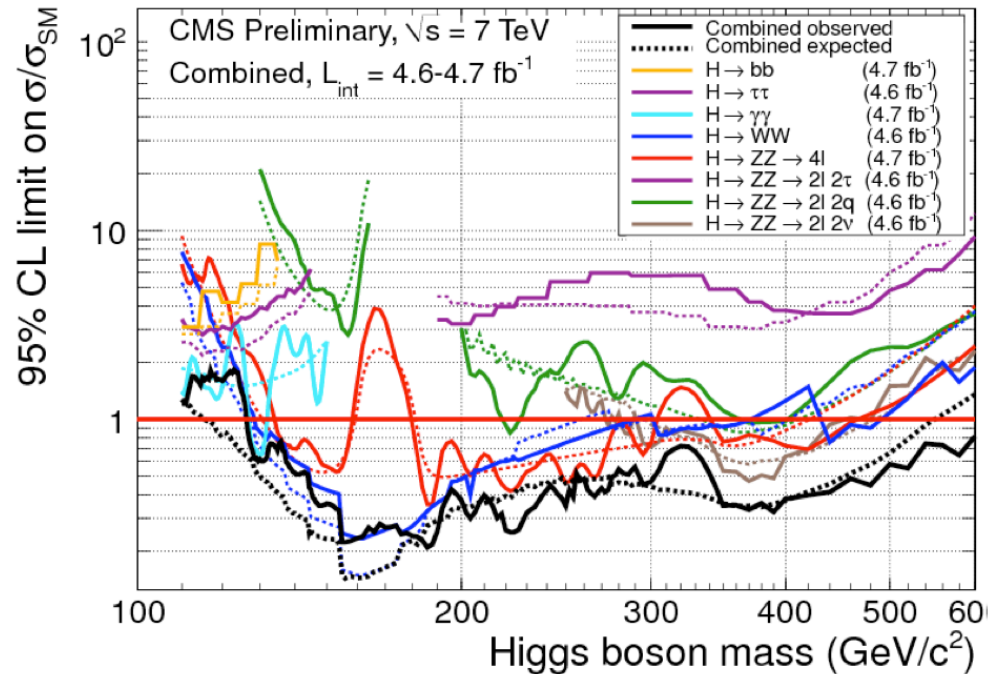
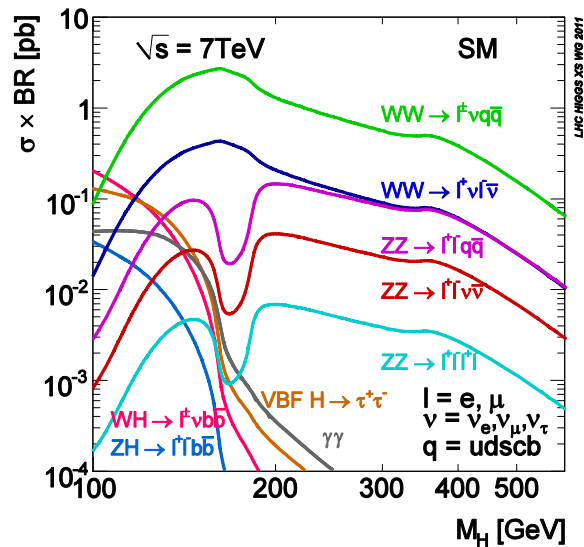
□ Whatever we will see or not see at low mass ( $< 2 \times m_W$ ), the EWSB mechanism must be probed in the VV final state

- search for possible **resonances in VBF**
- measurement of **VV scattering spectrum**

# Higgs production and decay



# CMS results



- **WW→lnqq, ZZ→llqq** limited by huge **V+jets background**, taken from simu/data with large theoretical/statistical error
- **WW→lnln** at high mass limited by signal << **WW background** ( $\Delta\phi$  not effective)
- **ZZ→lnn**:
  - 200-400 GeV limited by **non-Z background** (top, W+jets, WW)
  - >400 GeV limited by **Z+jets tail at high MET**: not large but not well known (controlled with  $\gamma$ +jets → statistical error+met uncertainty)

➡ drives the UL for  $m_H > 300-400$

- **ZZ→4l** limited by **statistics** (only ZZ background: small and well known)

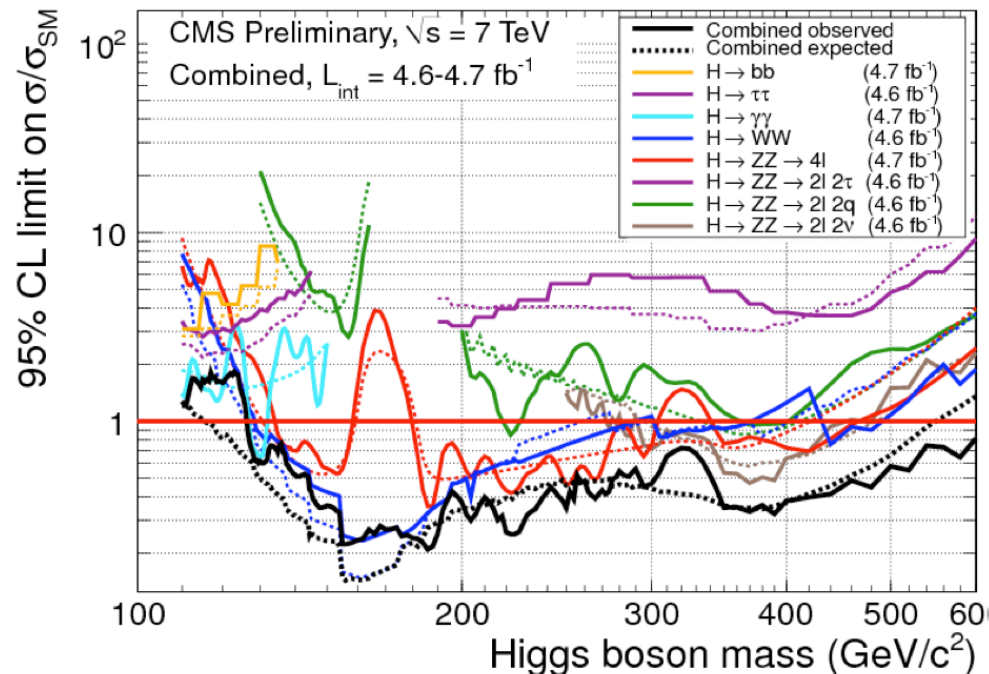
➡ drives the UL for  $m_H$  200-300



# Future improvements

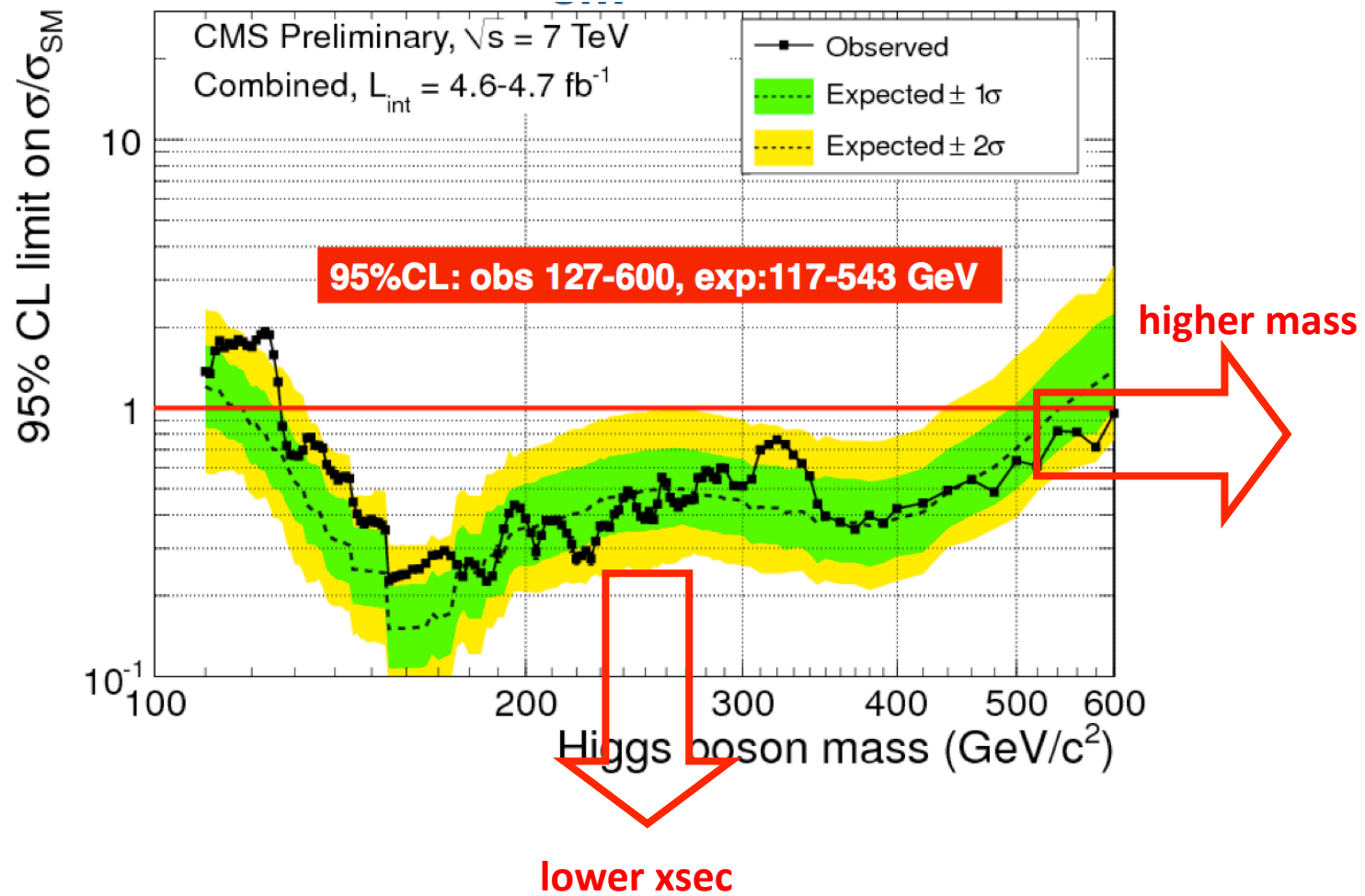
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- Combination of **>5 different channels** (ele, mu, btag, ...) Robust!



- **Very optimized analyses**, some space for further improvement. With higher lumi:
  - use shape analyses (where not yet done)
  - extract signal with multidimensional fit (now only mZZ fit)
  - extract background (norm and shape) from data with lower uncertainty

# What's next ?



# 1 TeV masses: not anymore “the” Higgs

→ **General search for  $X \rightarrow VV \rightarrow 4f$ :** exotic models (eg, Technicolor, ExtraDimension, ...)

*RS Graviton vs SM Higgs:*

Signal Channels				
	140 GeV	250 GeV	500 GeV	1 TeV
$\sigma(H_{SM} \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)})$	$9.26 \times 10^2$	$1.14 \times 10^3$	$2.40 \times 10^2$	-
$\sigma(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ)$ at $c = 0.01$	-	$1.94 \times 10^3$	$6.83 \times 10^1$	1.41
$\sigma(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ)$ at $c = 0.05$	-	$4.83 \times 10^4$	$1.69 \times 10^3$	$3.53 \times 10^1$
$\sigma(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ)$ at $c = 0.1$	-	$1.94 \times 10^5$	$6.76 \times 10^3$	$1.41 \times 10^2$
$\mathcal{B}(H_{SM} \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)})$	0.068	0.295	0.260	-
$\mathcal{B}(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ)$	-	0.052	0.049	0.046
$\mathcal{B}(ZZ \rightarrow 4l)$	$\sim 0.067 \times 0.067 \simeq 4.48 \times 10^{-3}$			
$\mathcal{B}(ZZ \rightarrow 2l2j)$	$\sim 2 \times 0.067 \times 0.699 \simeq 8.96 \times 10^{-2}$			
$N(H_{SM} \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4\mu)$	0.52	0.64	0.13	-
$N(H_{SM} \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4e)$	0.52	0.64	0.13	-
$N(H_{SM} \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 2\mu 2e)$	1.04	1.28	0.27	-
$N(H_{SM} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\mu 2j)$	-	22.4	38.9	-
$N(H_{SM} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2e 2j)$	-	21.5	45.5	-
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\mu)$ at $c = 0.01$		1.7	0.06	0.0013
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4e)$		1.7	0.06	0.0013
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\mu 2e)$		3.4	0.12	0.0025
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\mu)$ at $c = 0.05$		42.9	1.4	0.028
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4e)$		42.9	1.4	0.028
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\mu 2e)$		85.8	2.8	0.055
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\mu)$ at $c = 0.1$		162	5.3	0.11
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4e)$		162	5.3	0.11
$N(G_{RS} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\mu 2e)$		324	10.6	0.22

CMS AN-2010-35:  
**Angular Analysis of Resonances  $pp \rightarrow X \rightarrow ZZ$**   
 A. Bonato, A.V. Gritsan, Z.J. Guo, N.V. Tran, A. Whitbeck  
 Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, USA

xsec larger than Higgs:

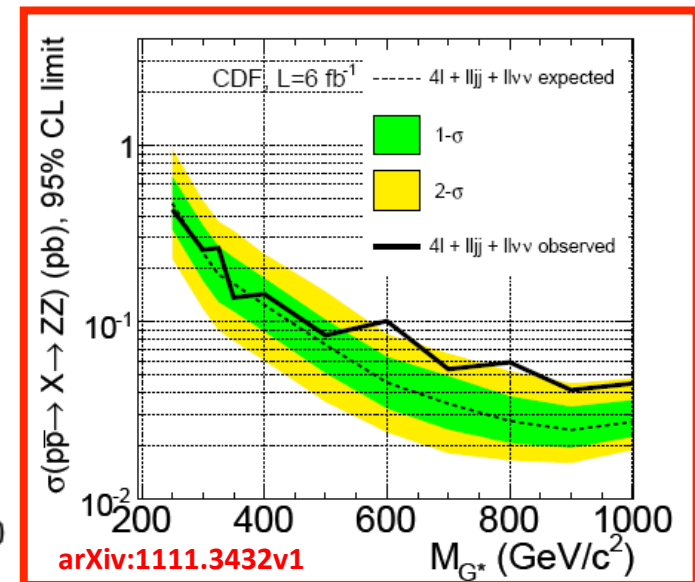
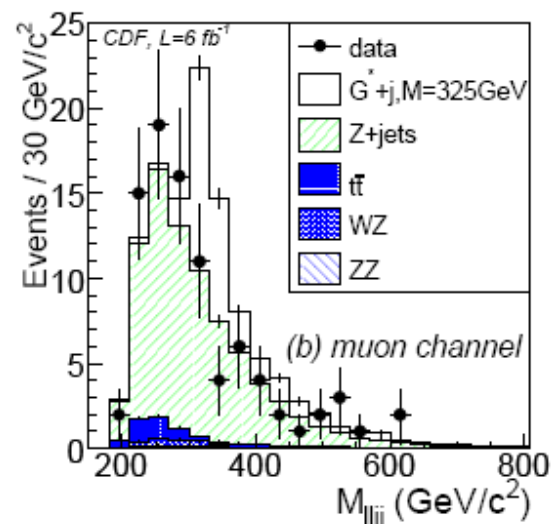
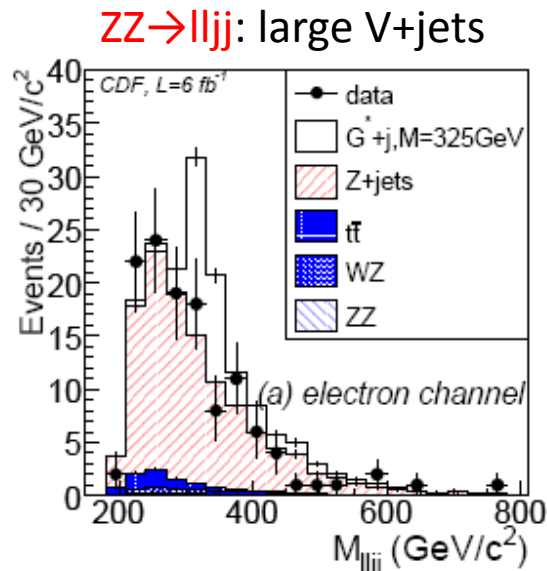
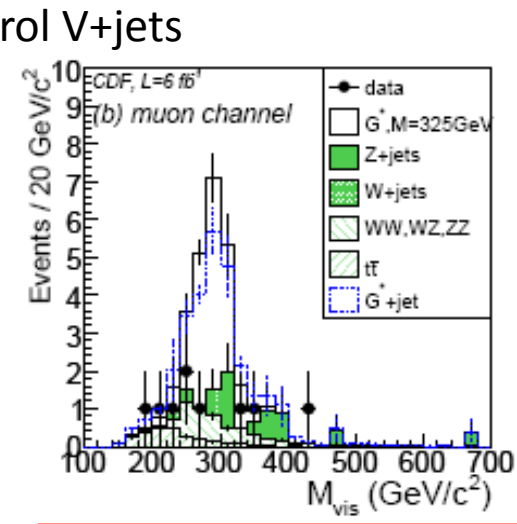
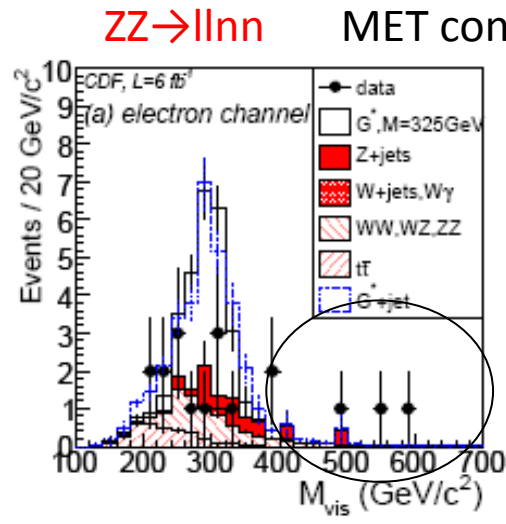
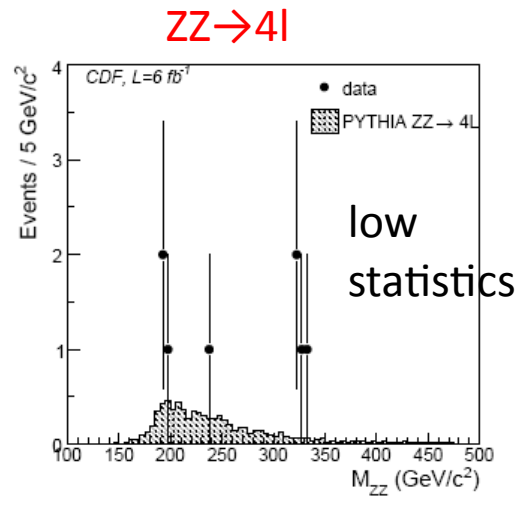
first, repeat “Higgs” search for different spin, width resonance

at high mass still very low number of events per fb<sup>-1</sup>

→ importance of semileptonic final states

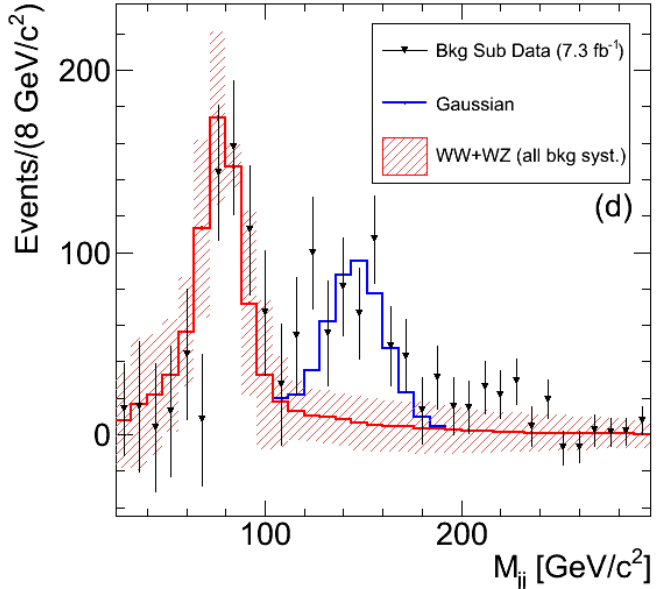
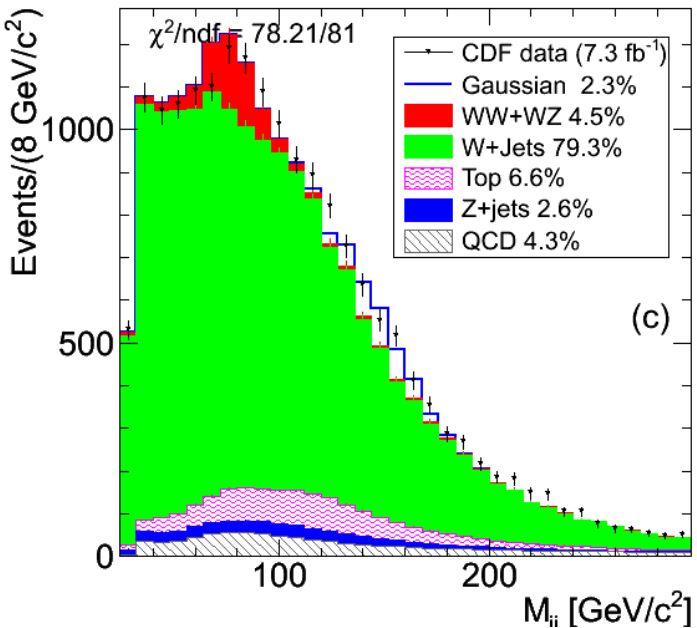
# Available results: ZZ

- **CDF search for  $G \rightarrow ZZ$** : same features discussed for high mass Higgs @ LHC

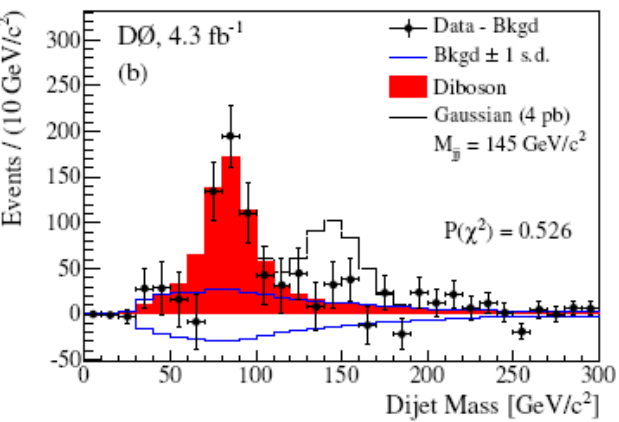
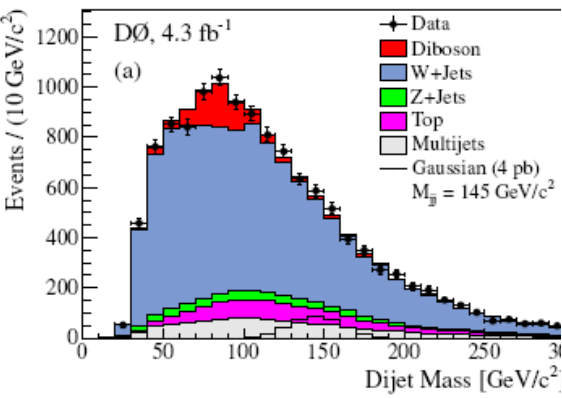
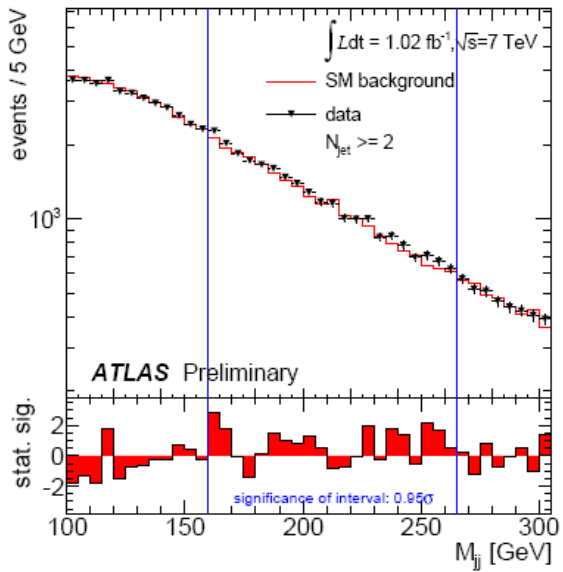


# Available results: W+2jets

## CDF "bump"



## ATLAS & D0 xchecks



# Control of V+jets

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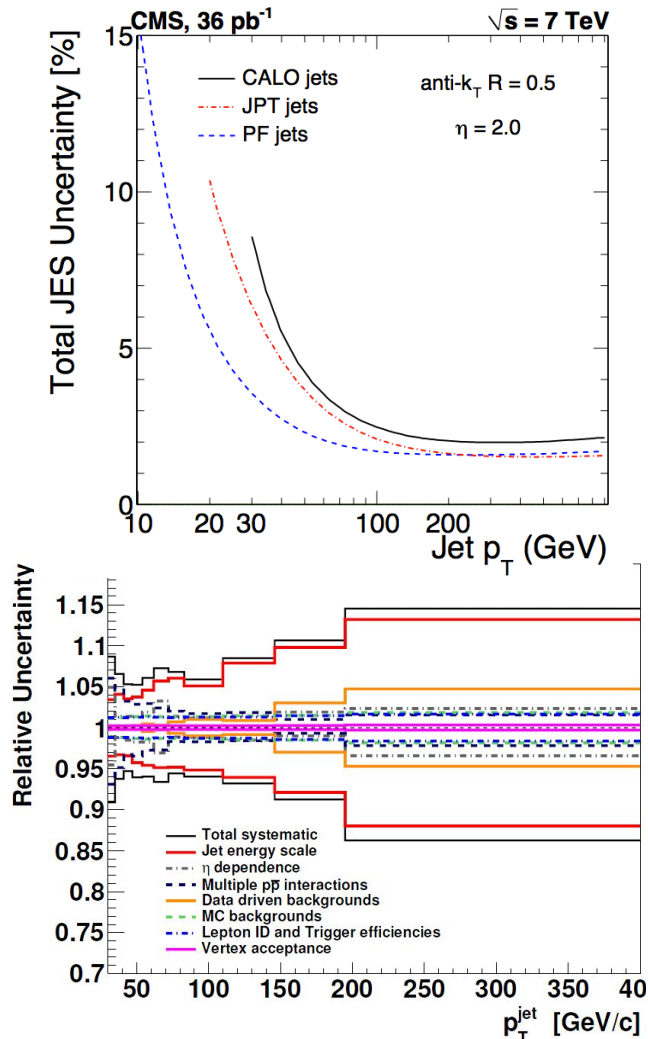
- ❑ **Control region** (eg,  $Z \rightarrow jj$  sidebands) has very low stat for  $M(l\bar{l}jj) \sim 1$  TeV
  
- ❑ Improving **theoretical tools** (Blackhat, Madgraph, ...)
  - test them where we have statistics
  - rely on them to extrapolate at higher energy/multiplicity

# V+jets

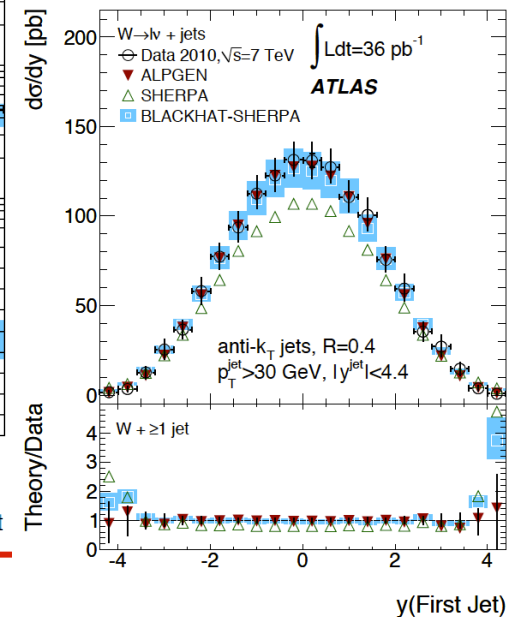
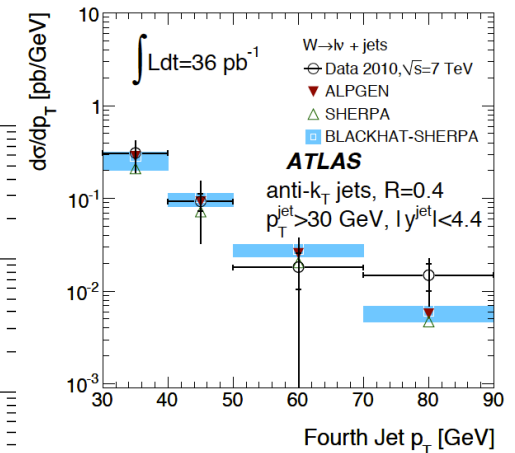
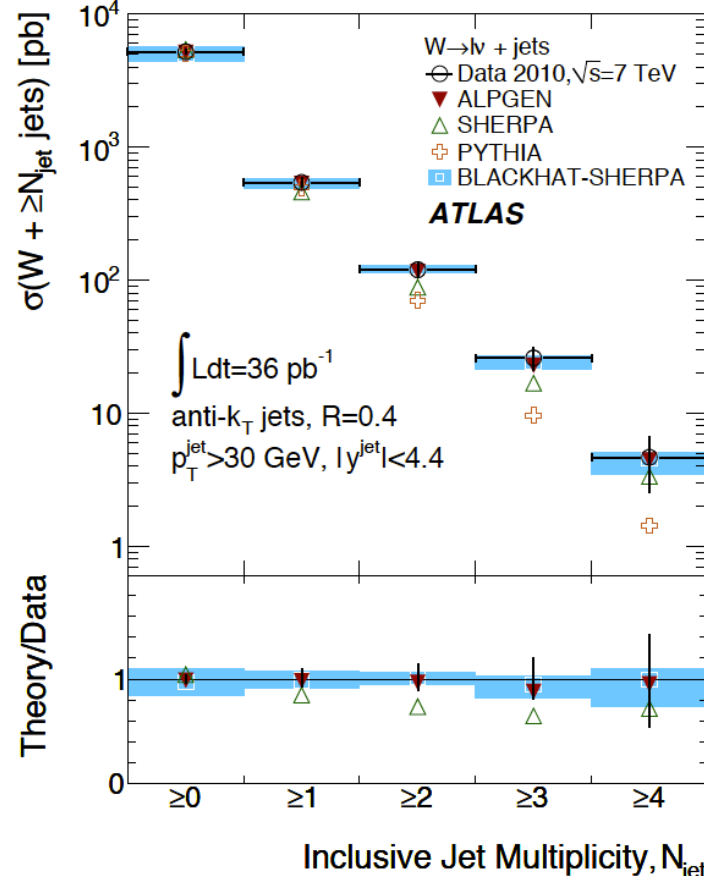
QCD measurement (jet  $p_T > 20-30$  GeV):

→ syst. dominated by jet scale, PileUp removal

Data unfolded for detector effects → compared to NLO (“hadron level”)



ATLAS:

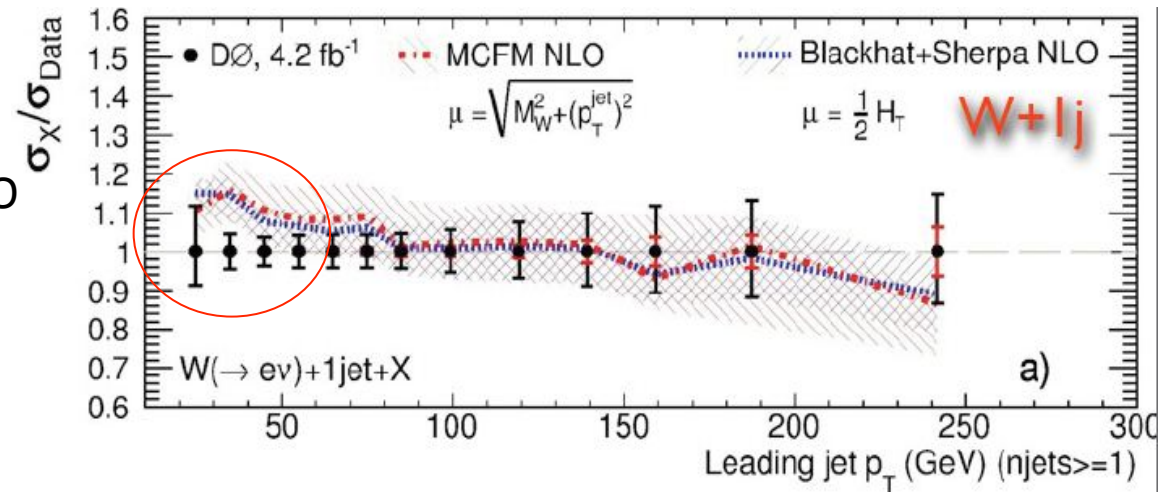


# V+jets at Tevatron

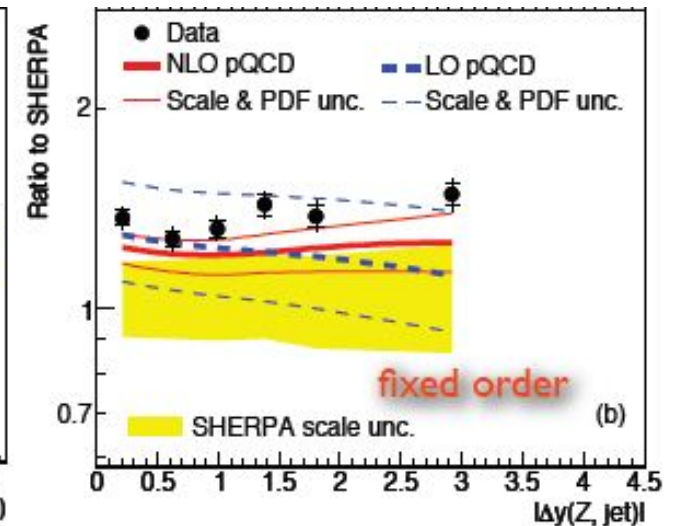
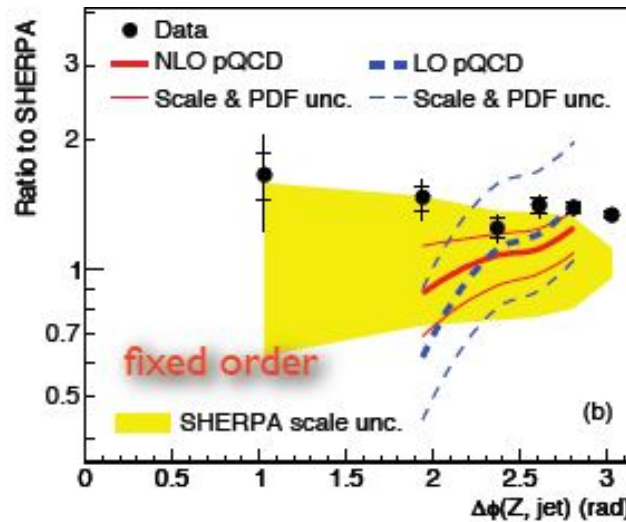
At low  $p_T$ , low multiplicity:  
interesting discrepancy data-NLO  
observed

but results limited by systematics

→ new variables



D0 novel measurement:  
angular correlations have  
much lower systematics



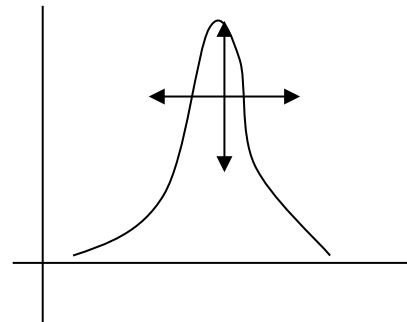


# High mass: what's new ?

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- ❑ Can we simply keep the same Higgs analysis strategy? Not at very high masses!
- ❑ New experimental issues at very high mass (1 TeV and above)
  - X  $\rightarrow$  boosted VV  $\rightarrow$  **jet merging (and nearby leptons)**
- ❑ Unknown signal and very small background  $\rightarrow$  no point in pushed optimization! Keep **model independent approach** as much as possible

- ❑ How to disentangle the various models?
  - peak  $\rightarrow$  mass and width, xsec and BR
  - spin!  $\rightarrow$  **angular analysis**

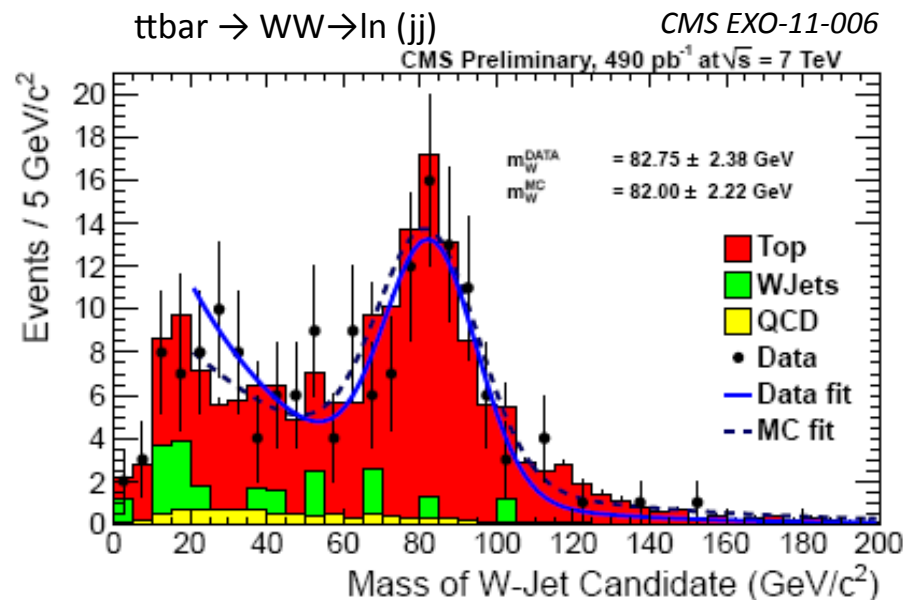


# >1 TeV M(ZZ)→4f : jet merging (1)

□ **Jet merging:**  $\Delta R_{qq} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{z(1-z)}} \frac{M_Z}{p_Z^T} \xrightarrow{\text{approx}} \Delta R \text{ 0.8 (CA)} \rightarrow M_X > 600 \text{ GeV}$   
 $(z = |\vec{p}_q| / |\vec{p}_Z|)$   $\Delta R \text{ 0.5 (Akt)} \rightarrow M_X > 900 \text{ GeV}$

Handles to distinguish wrt to jets from QCD (eg, X→ZZ→2l2j VS Z+jets):

▪ **jet mass**

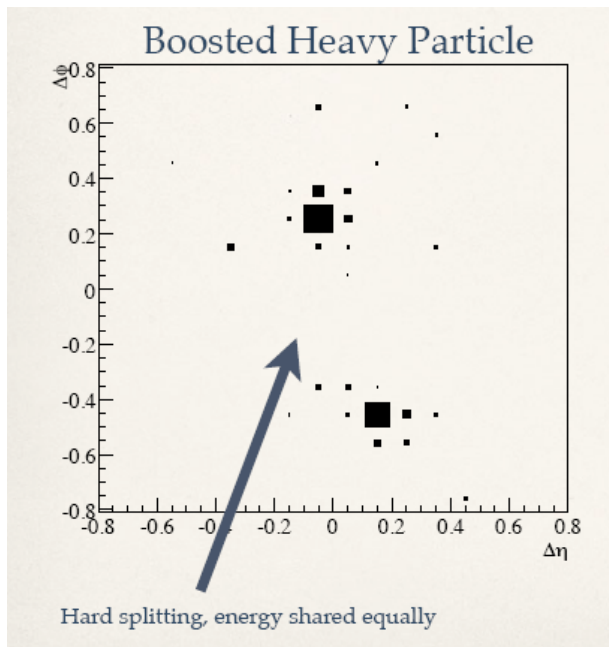


# Jet merging (2)

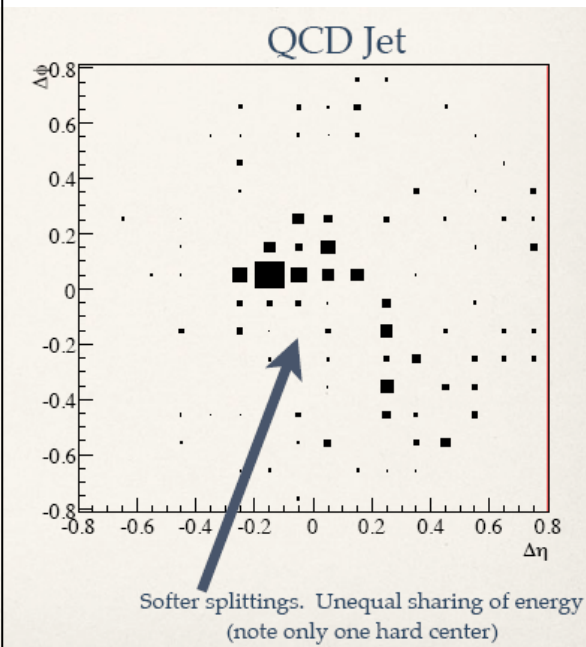
Handles to distinguish wrt to jets from QCD (eg,  $X \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2l2j$  VS  $Z$ +jets):

- **jet radiation:**

no singularity, just decay!



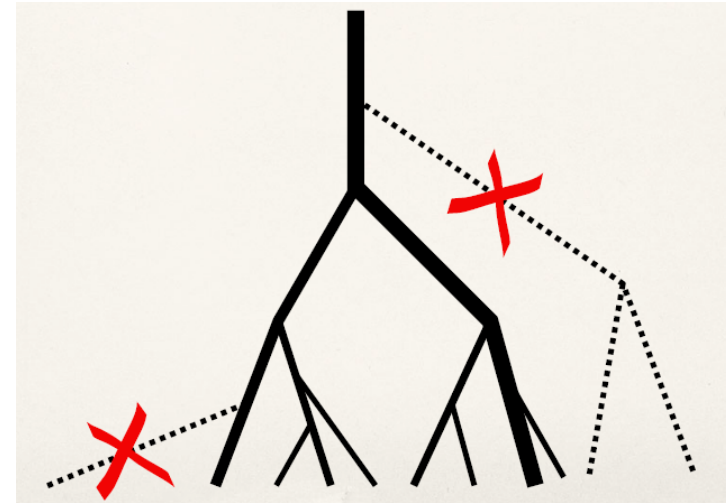
soft/collinear singularity in QCD



JHU seminar: **Path-Integral Jets** by David Krohn (Harvard)  
[www.pha.jhu.edu/groups/particle-theory/seminars/talks/F11/talk.khron.pdf](http://www.pha.jhu.edu/groups/particle-theory/seminars/talks/F11/talk.khron.pdf)

# Jet pruning

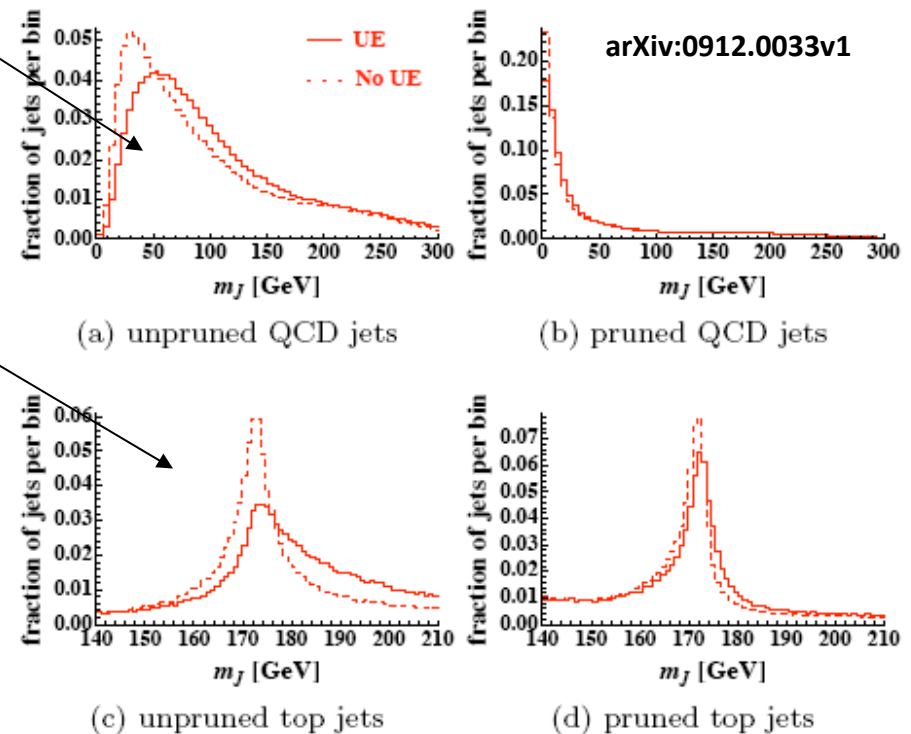
Remove all parts of the jet which are soft and wide angle



QCD jets mass substantially decreased -> lower backgrounds

Boosted objects mass reconstruction improved

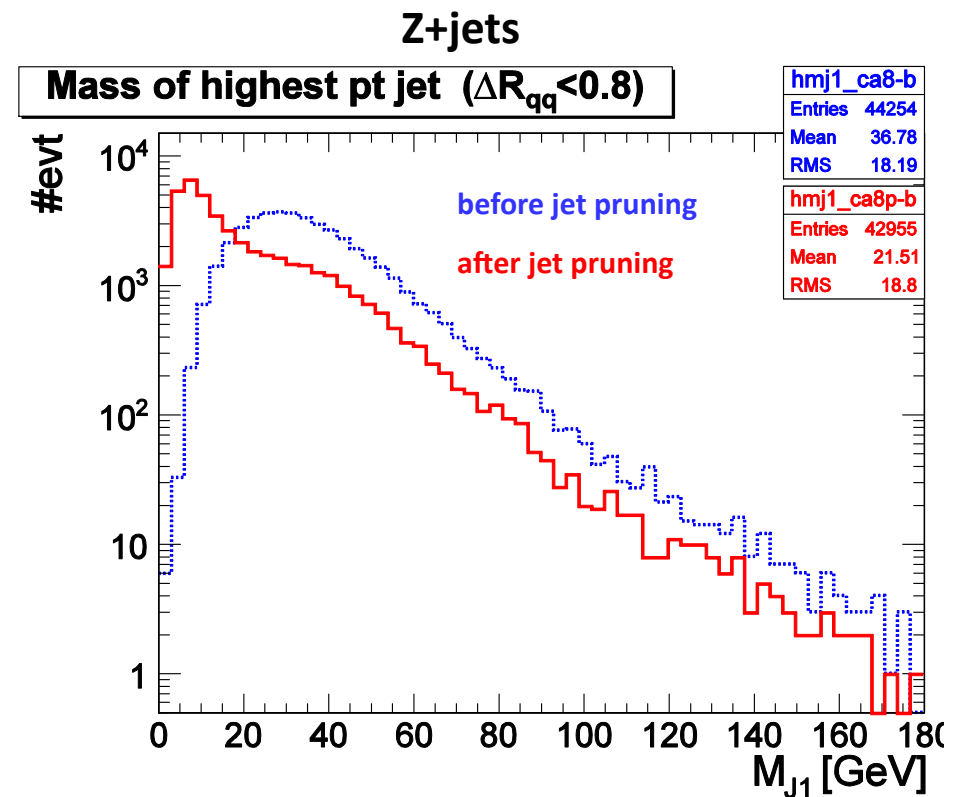
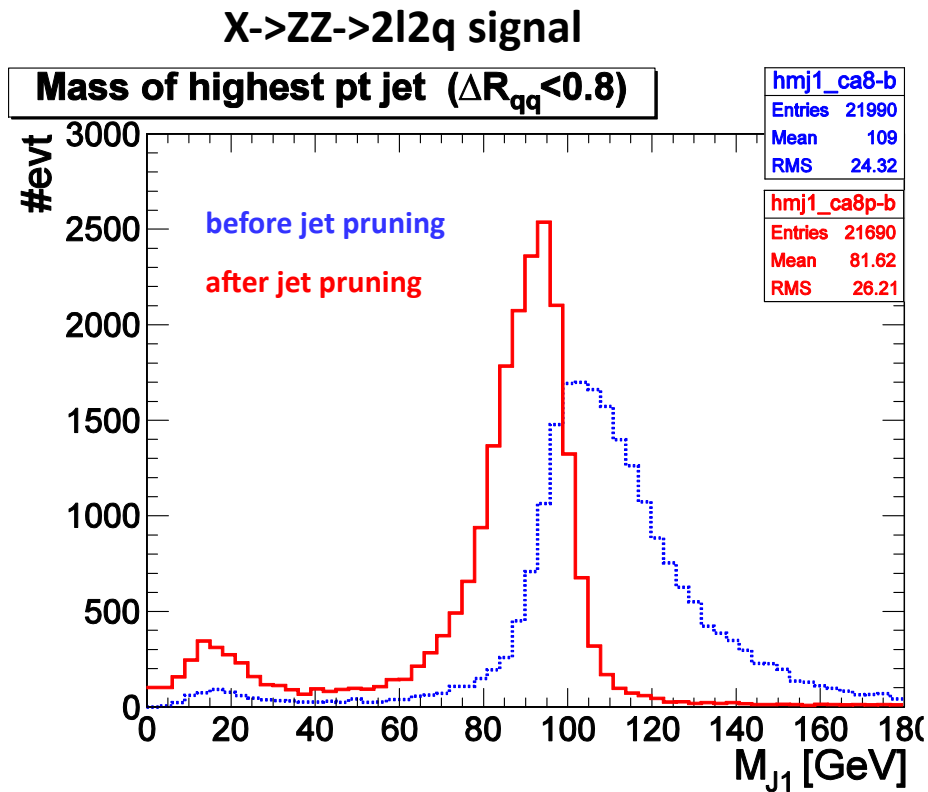
Typically used for boosted top or boosted  $H \rightarrow bb$  ...



# Example in $X \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2l2j$

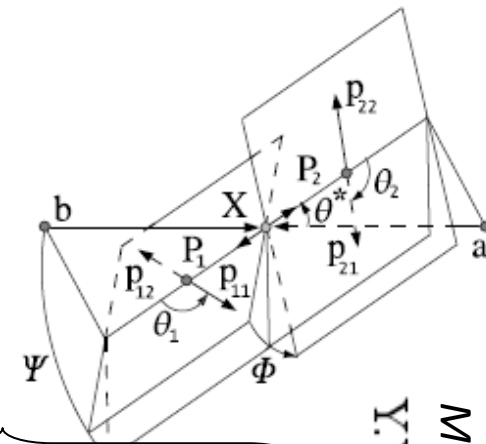
First look at Z boosted (no numbers yet) ...  
preliminary, A.Bonato, R.Covarelli

- RS Graviton
- $M_G$  1500 GeV
- CA 0.8



# Angular analysis (1)

□  $X \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4f$  decay kinematic fully defined by 5 angles

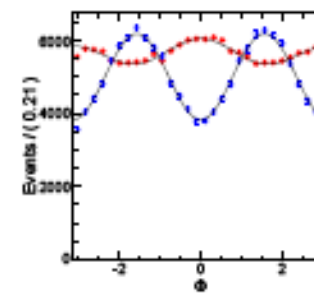
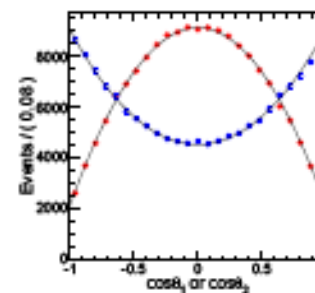
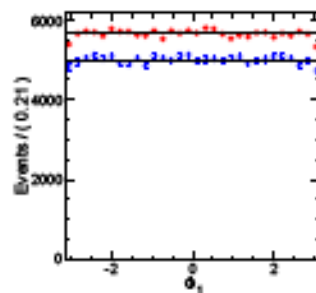
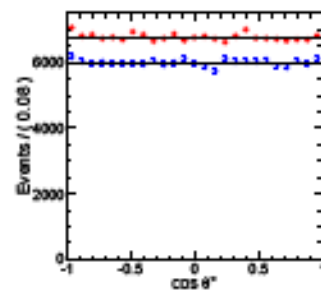


signal ( $M_X$  250):

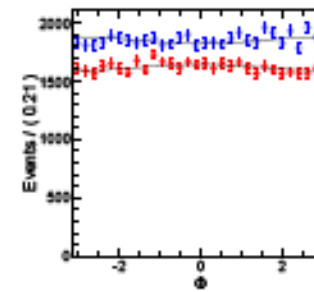
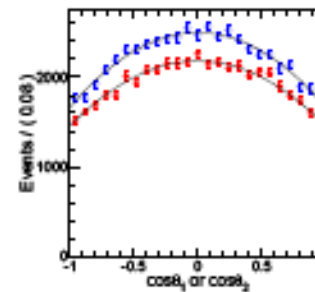
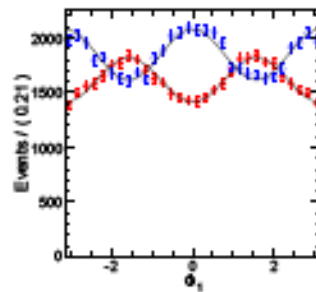
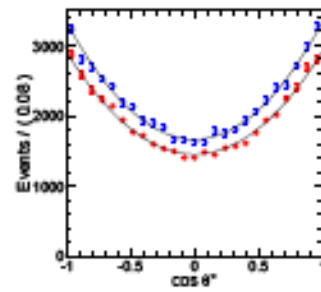
$X \rightarrow ZZ$

Z decays

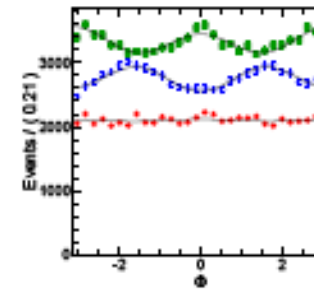
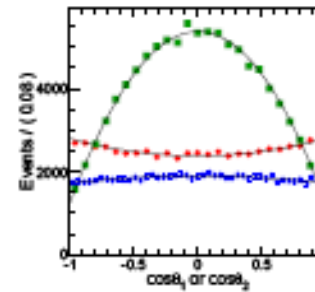
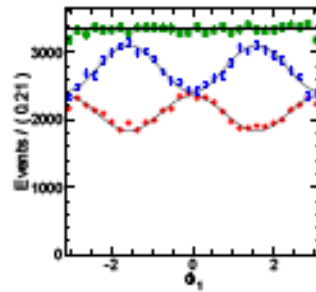
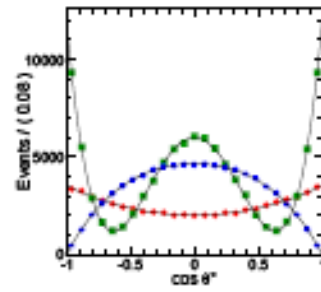
$0^+, 0^-$



$1^+, 1^-$



$2^+_{m=0}, 2^+_{L}, 2^-$



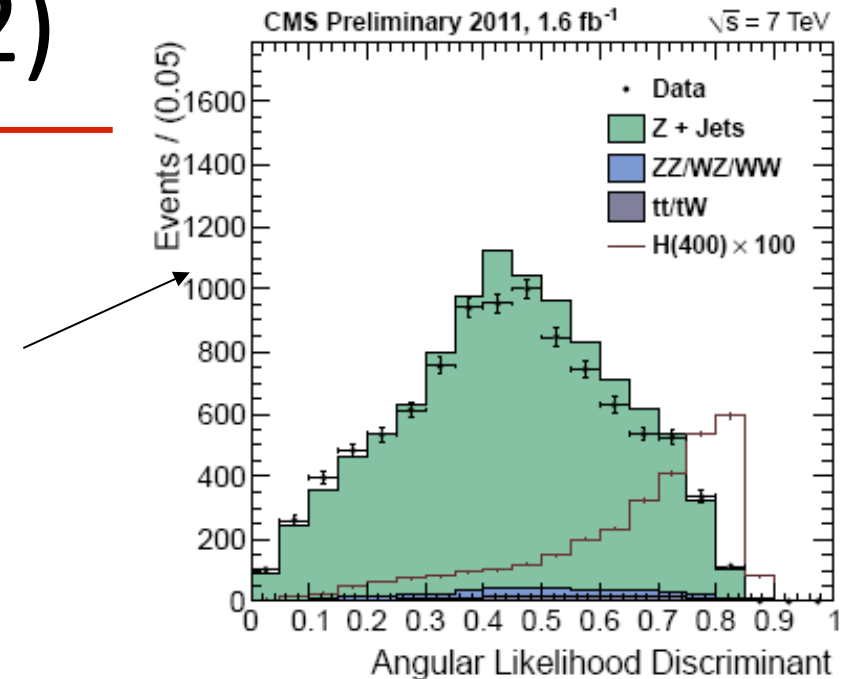
*MC from Johns Hopkins*  
 Y.Y. Gao *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **81**, 075022 (2010).

# Angular analysis (2)

❑ Can be clearly used to disentangle different signals... but **what about background?**

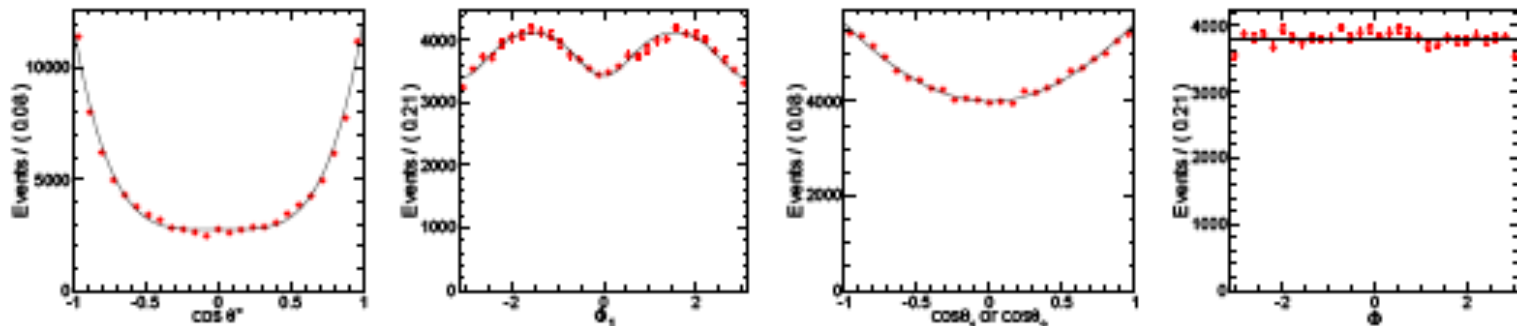
❑ Already used in  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2l2q$ : cut on likelihood

- signal: ideal  $\times$  uncorr. accept
- Z+jets from MC: no correlations, (background from jj sidebands)



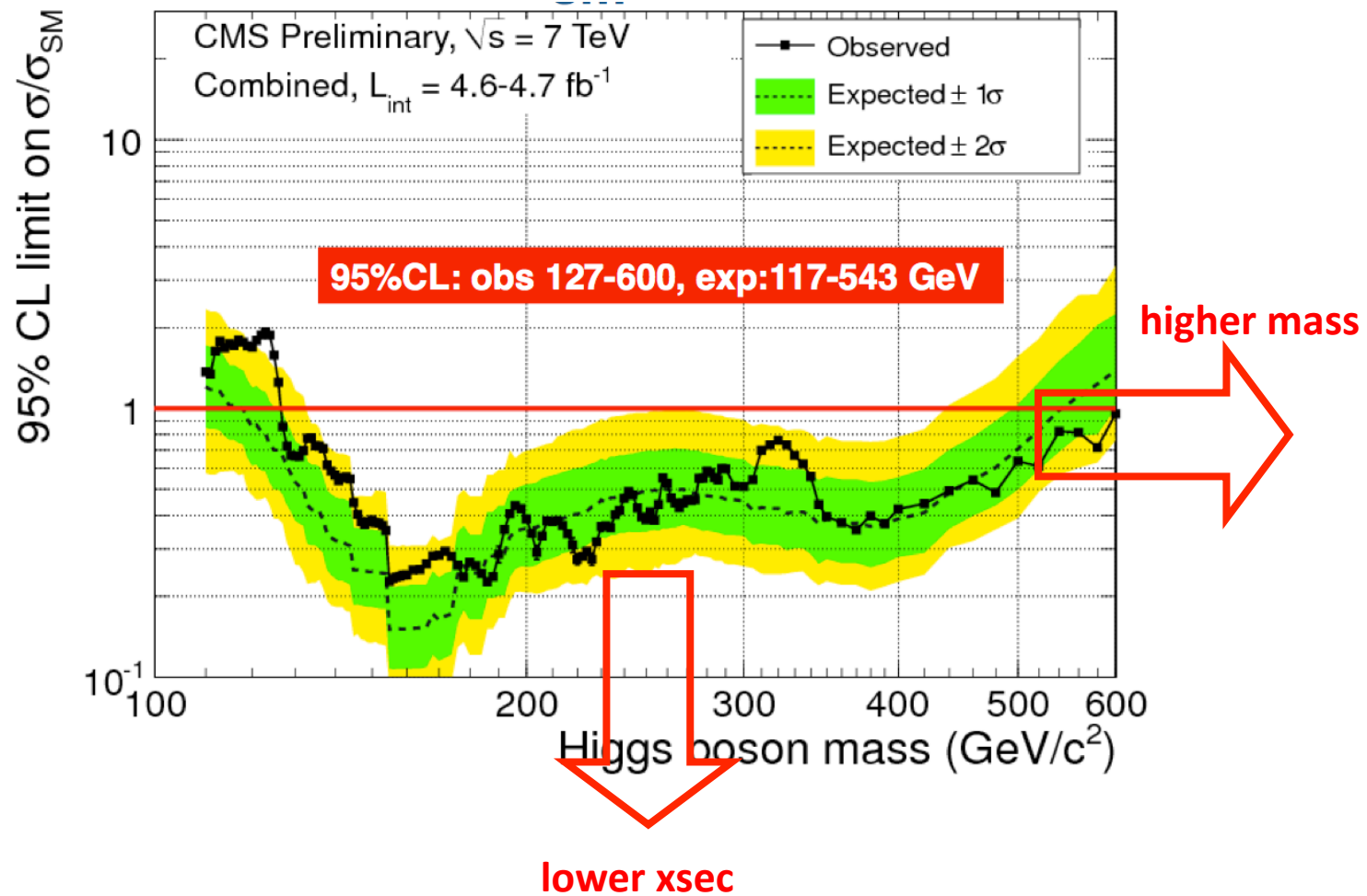
❑ To optimize further (**multidimensional fit**), need full theoretical description of background:

▪  $qq \rightarrow ZZ$ :



▪ gg also available  $\rightarrow$  can be used to disentangle qq-gg!!

# What's next ?





# Improve sensitivity

First LHC to Terascale Workshop (Sept 2011):  
LCH at LHC by J.R. Espinoza

## WHY? Models with lower xsec

Ex of (light) composite higgs:

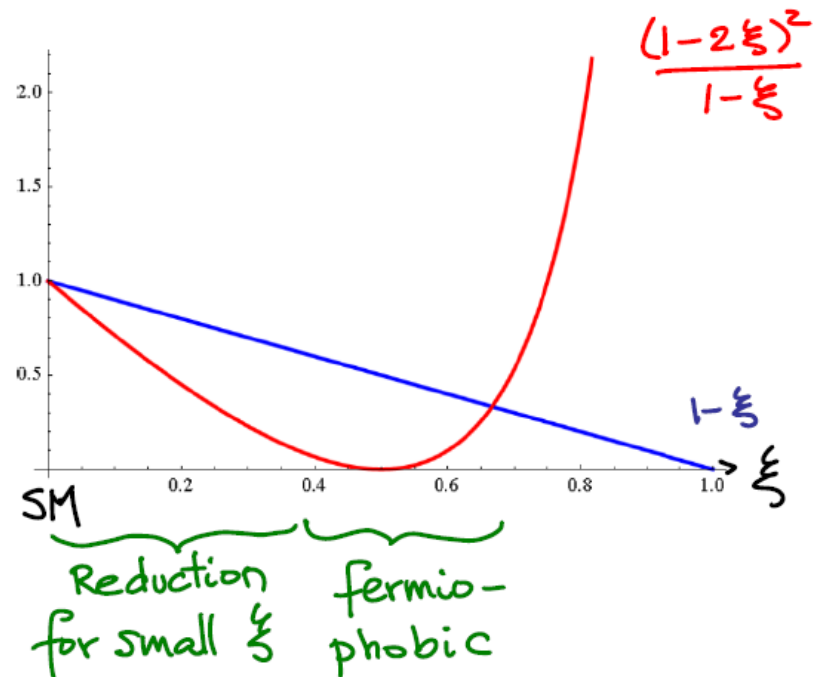
$$\frac{1}{p^2 - m_H^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + \xi_{CH}} \frac{1}{p^2 - m_H^2}$$

$$h \dots \begin{matrix} \nearrow V \\ \searrow V \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\sqrt{1-\xi} \times (SM)} \Rightarrow \sigma \left[ \begin{matrix} \nearrow \dots \\ \searrow \dots \end{matrix} \right] = (1-\xi) \sigma_{SM}$$

$$h \dots \begin{matrix} \nearrow f \\ \searrow f \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}} \times (SM)} \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} h \dots \begin{matrix} \nearrow g \\ \searrow g \end{matrix} \\ h \dots \begin{matrix} \nearrow g \\ \searrow g \end{matrix} \end{matrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}} \times (SM)}$$

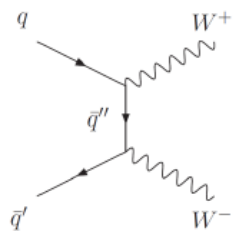
## HOW?

- Factor 5 in luminosity wrt to present results
- Improve theoretical control of
  - signal: → NNLO&NNLL effects, precise mass shape prediction, signal-background interference (back-up)  
(studied in the Higgs Xsec WG and documented in 2 Yellow Report)
  - background: → control of ZZ, WW ewk continuum

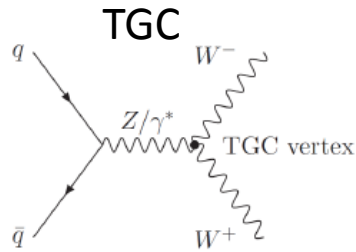


# Diboson production (WW,WZ,ZZ)

qqbar  $\rightarrow$  VV



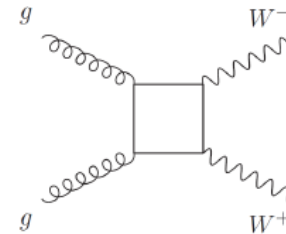
WW,WZ,ZZ



forbidden for ZZ

+ NLO qqbar +

gg  $\rightarrow$  VV



forbidden for ZW

(LHC: few % of xsec with ~50% uncertainty)

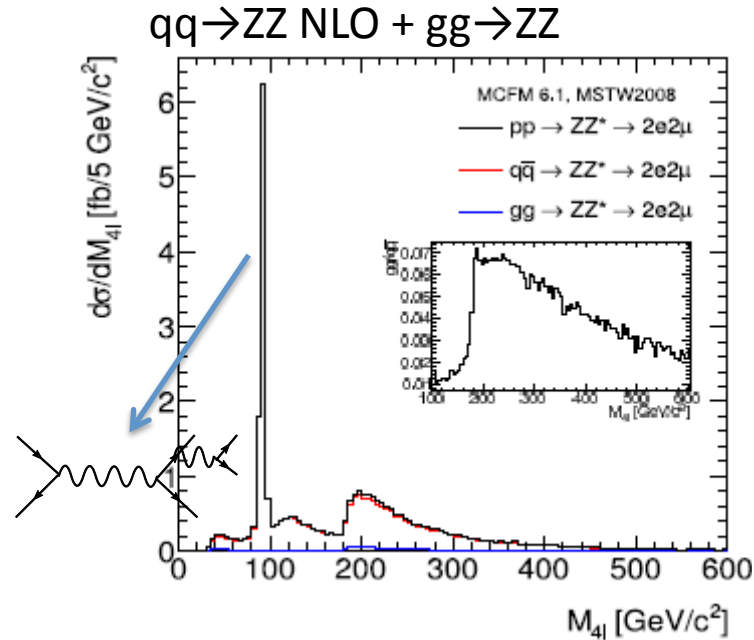
□ SM test: TGC fixed by ewk gauge structure

$\rightarrow$  any deviation from SM in VV xsec is direct hint of NP in bosonic sector

□ Backgrounds for high mass Higgs  $\rightarrow$  VV

*LHC focused on leptonic final state, Tevatron looked at semileptonic but limited by systematics (V+jets)*

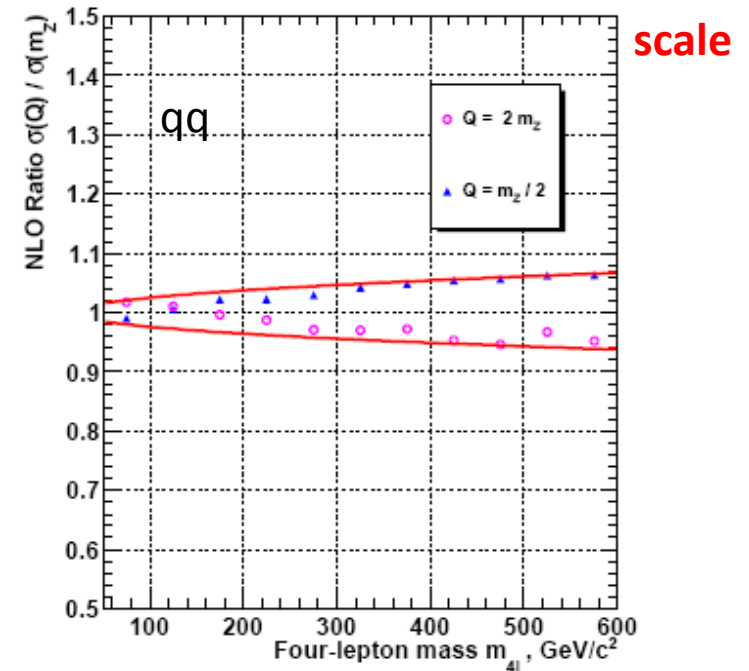
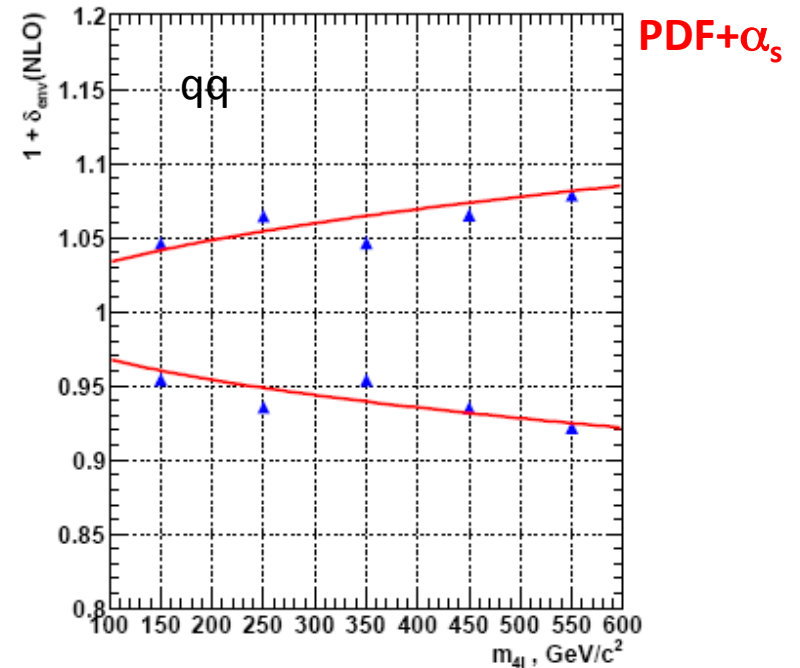
# VV: theoretical prediction



□ Uncertainty dominated by QCD part

□ WW in jet bins: uncertainty on  $\sigma(\geq N)$  + modeling: MC@NLO vs ALPGEN

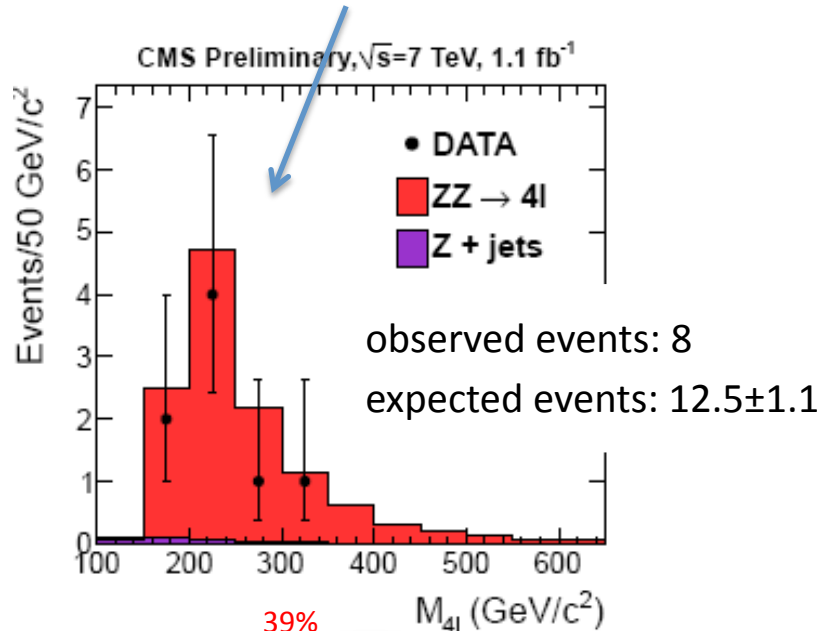
$\Delta\sigma_{\geq 0}$ (%)	$\Delta\sigma_{\geq 1}$ (%)	$\Delta\sigma_{\geq 2}$ (%)	$\Delta\sigma_{\geq 3}$ (%)
3	6	42	100



# ZZ → 4l: measurement

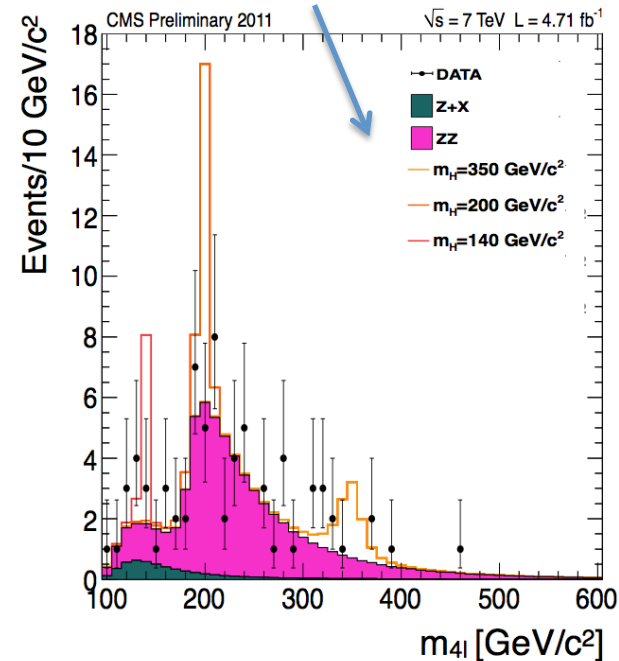
- 4l is 0.5% of ZZ xsec but **very clean**

Dedicated EWK analysis with very low luminosity, Higgs results much beyond that



39%

$$\sigma(ZZ) = 3.8^{+1.5}_{-1.2} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.2 (\text{syst}) \pm 0.2 (\text{lumi}) \text{ pb}$$



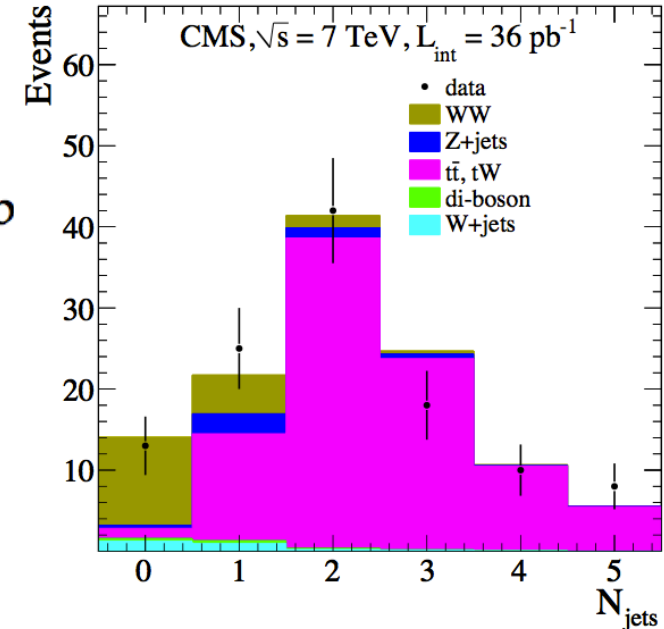
16%

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow ZZ + X) \times \mathcal{B}(ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell) = 28.1^{+4.6}_{-4.0} (\text{stat.}) \pm 1.2 (\text{syst.}) \pm 1.3 (\text{lumi.}) \text{ fb}$$

# WW->lnln: measurement

- Dedicated EWK results only with very low luminosity,

$$\sigma_{W+W^-} = 41.1 \pm 15.3 \text{ (stat)}^{37\%} \pm 5.8 \text{ (syst)} \pm 4.5 \text{ (lumi)} \text{ pb}$$



- Higgs analysis much beyond that:

	data	all bkg.	$qq \rightarrow W^+W^-$	$gg \rightarrow W^+W^-$	$t\bar{t}+tW$	W + jets
0-jet	1359	$1364.8 \pm 9.3$	$980.6 \pm 5.2$	$58.8 \pm 0.7$	$147.3 \pm 2.5$	$99.3 \pm 5.0$
1-jet	909	$951.4 \pm 9.8$	$416.8 \pm 3.6$	$23.8 \pm 0.5$	$334.8 \pm 3.0$	$74.3 \pm 4.6$
2-jet	703	$714.8 \pm 13.5$	$154.7 \pm 2.2$	$5.1 \pm 0.2$	$413.5 \pm 2.7$	$37.9 \pm 3.6$

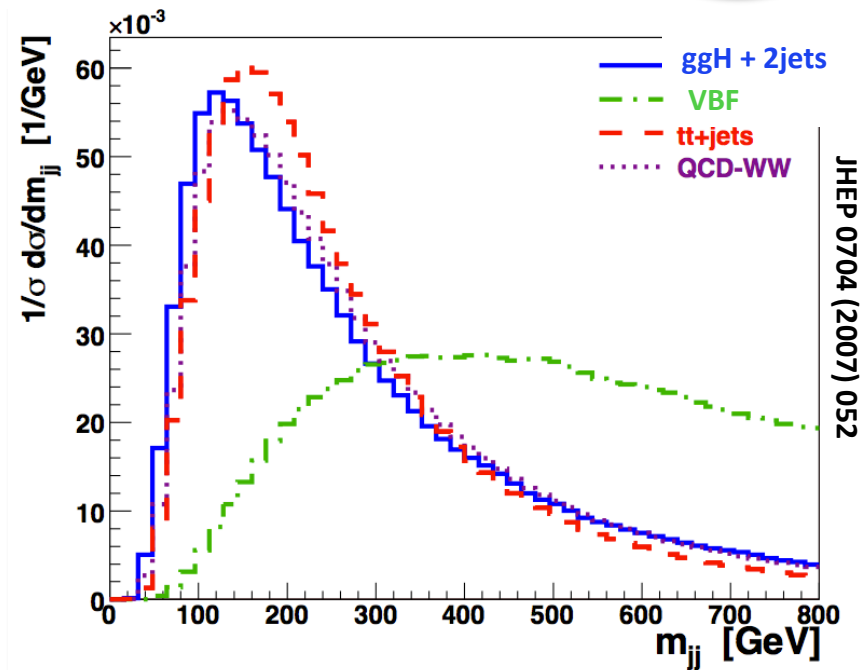
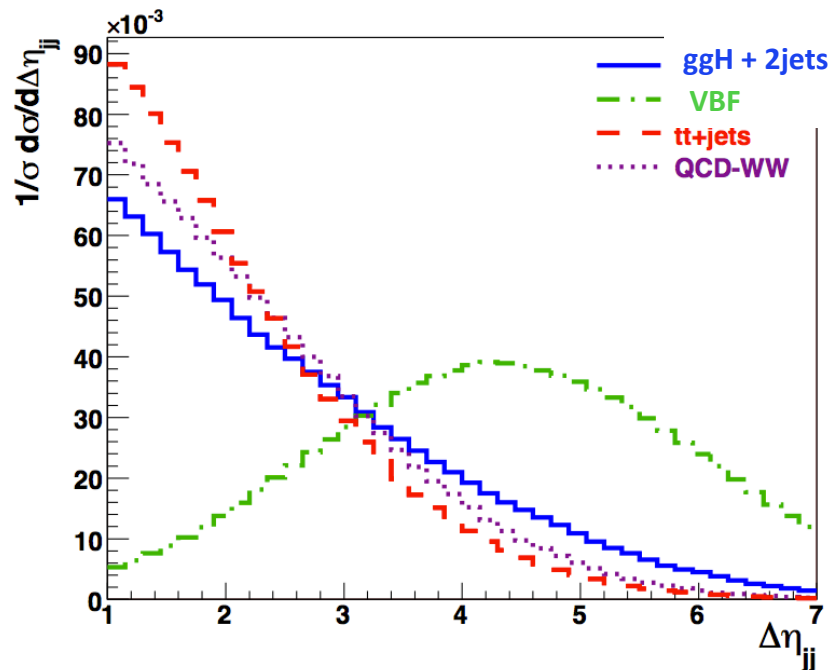
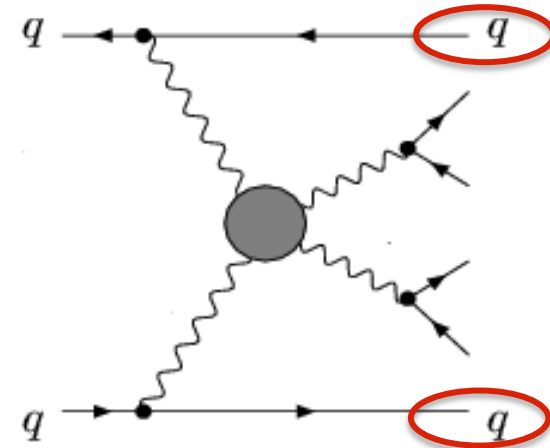
	WZ/ZZ	$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$	$W\gamma$	$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$
0-jet	$33.0 \pm 0.5$	$16.6 \pm 4.0$	$26.8 \pm 3.5$	$2.4 \pm 0.5$
1-jet	$28.7 \pm 0.5$	$39.4 \pm 6.4$	$13.0 \pm 2.6$	$20.6 \pm 0.4$
2-jet	$15.1 \pm 0.3$	$56.1 \pm 11.7$	$10.8 \pm 3.6$	$21.6 \pm 2.1$

stat. and syst. errors included

# From VBF to VV scattering

- ❑ First search for a VBF resonance, feasible in 2012
- ❑ Measurement of VV scattering spectrum with higher lumi ( $>50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

Typical signature: forward-backward “spectator” jets with very high energy



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# Higgs-like resonance in VBF

□ RE-DO all the analyses in VBF mode

□ Today only WW→lnln. **Expectations for next year:**

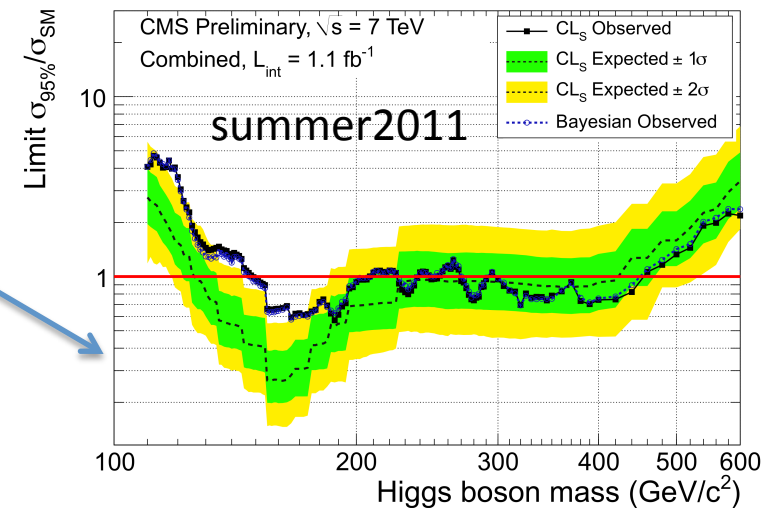
- lumi > 10 fb-1
- $\sigma(\text{vbf}) \sim 0.1 \times \sigma(\text{gg})$
- 0.5 effic. VBF cuts

VBF yields in 2012 ~  
0.5 gg yields of 2011  
summer results,

with much less background:

- ZZ→4l will be still limited by statistics
- WW→lnln will improve S/B (signal/10, WW\* $\alpha_s^2$ )
- **semileptonic final states** will have **reasonable signal yields + much lower background** than inclusive analysis

- eg, ZZ→lljj :
- signal yields for  $m_H$  300-500 ~ 15 – 5 events
  - V+(N+1)jets/V+N jets ~ 0.15 → asking 2 jets reduces **background to 2%!**
  - S/B may increase of a factor 2 (eff 0.5 ×  $\sigma$  0.1 / 0.02)

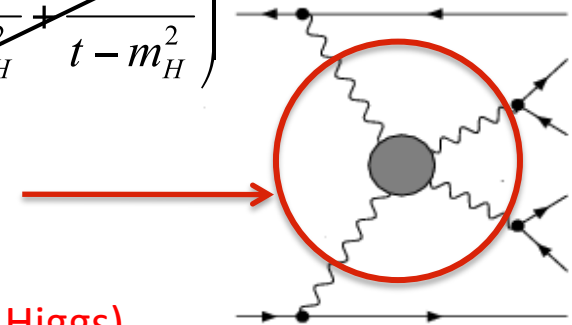


# VV scattering spectrum

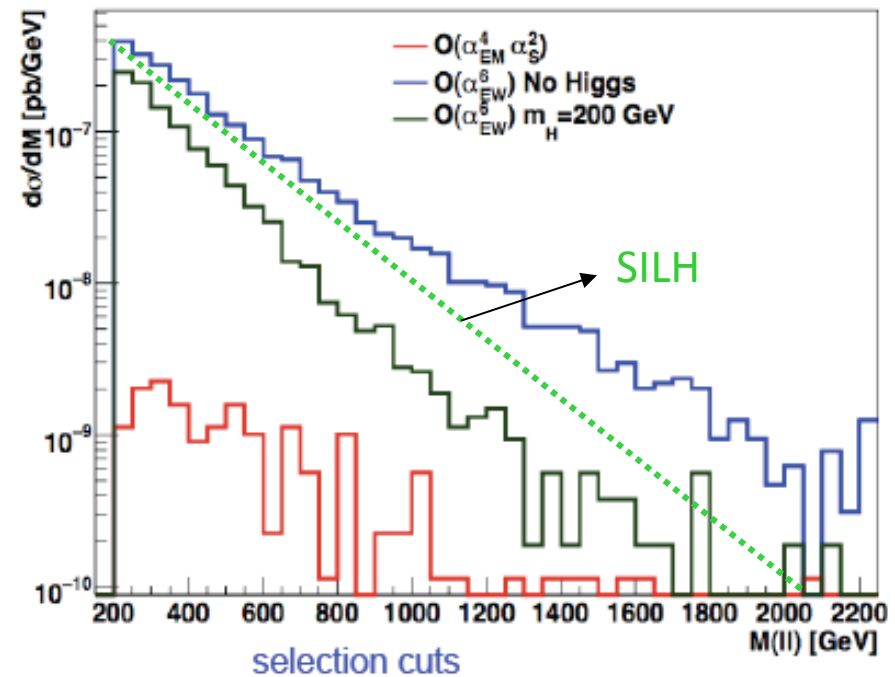
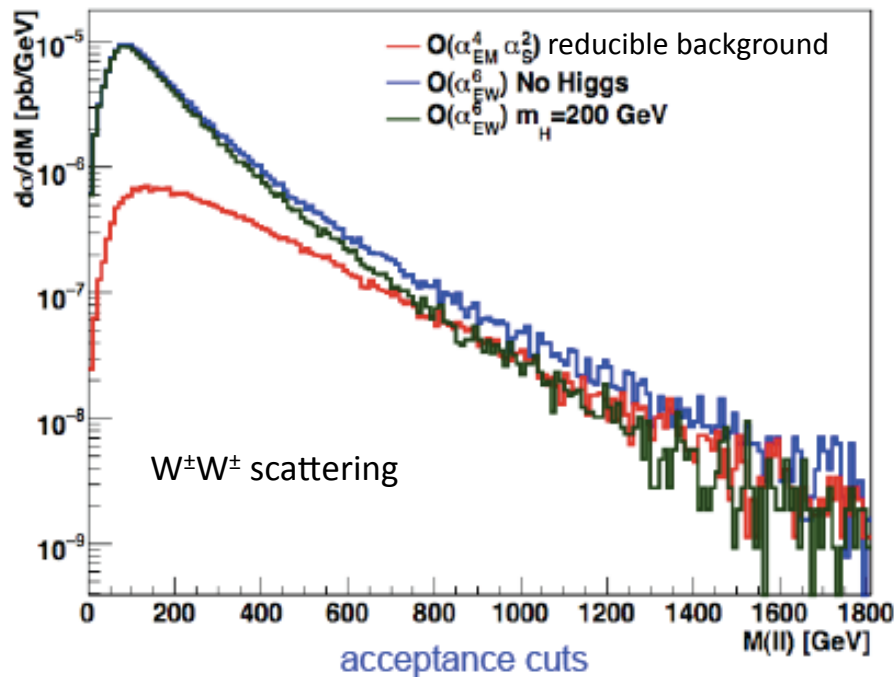
□ In no Higgs case:  $A(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-) \approx \frac{1}{v^2} \left( -s - t + \frac{s^2}{s - m_H^2} + \frac{t^2}{t - m_H^2} \right)$

BUT increasing of xsec at high VV is suppressed by

- PDF
- offshell bosons
- unpolarized bosons



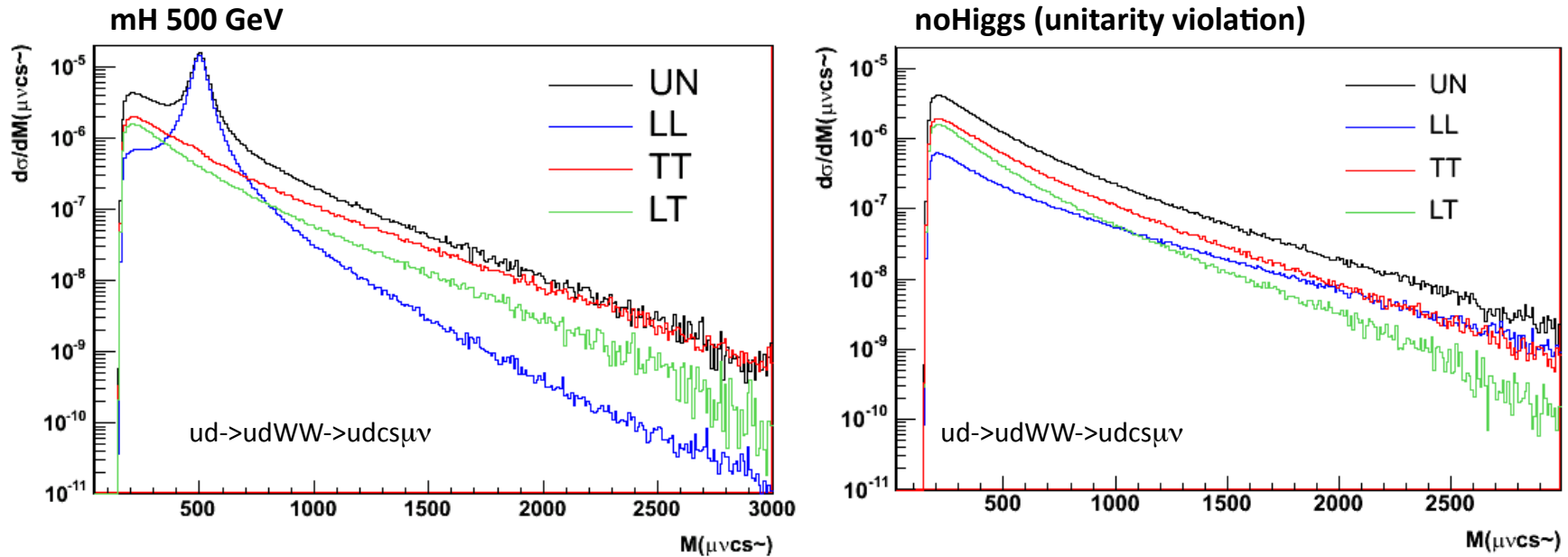
→ small difference btw SM and violation of unitarity (no Higgs)



→ with proper cut (eg  $\Delta\eta$  jets) can be enhanced → selection of the longitudinal W

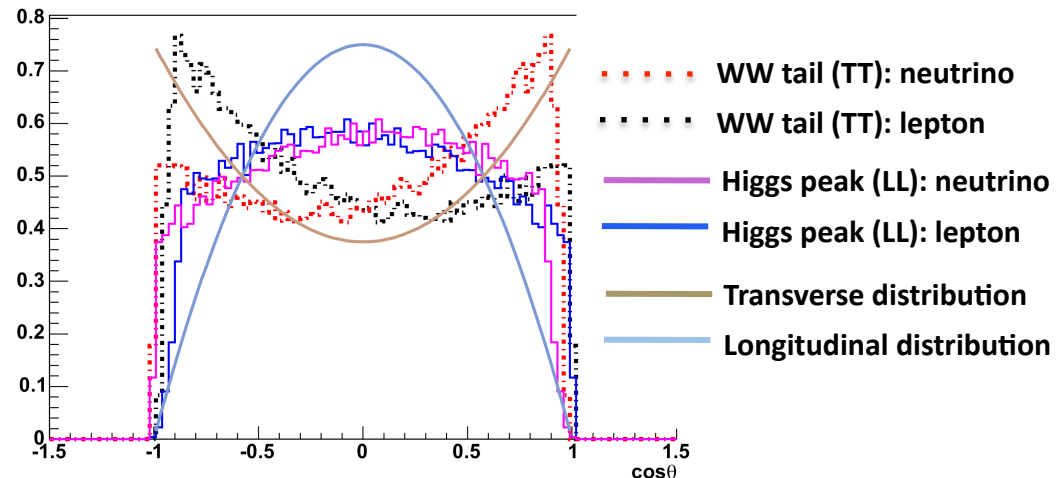


# Longitudinal polarization



Angular analysis can boost LL-TT separation (new!):

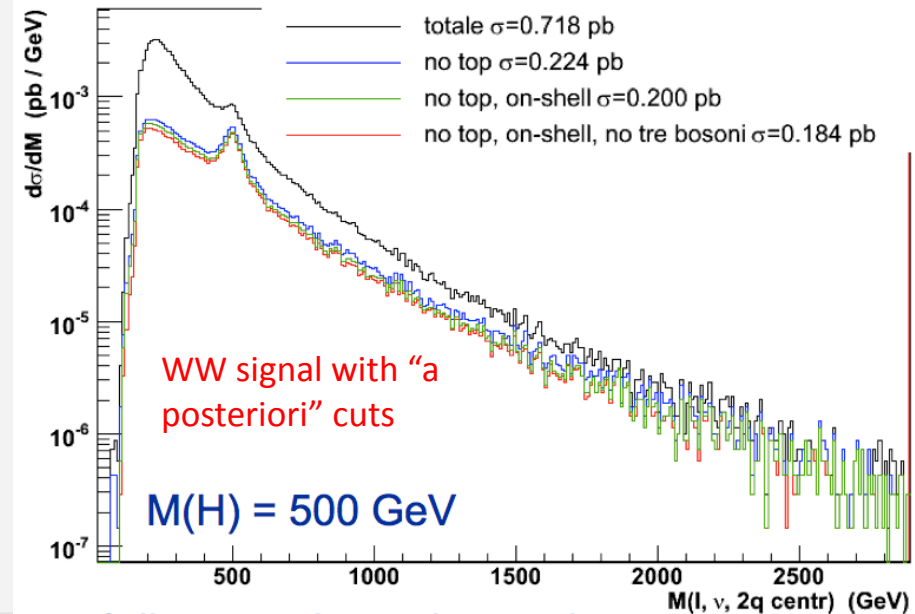
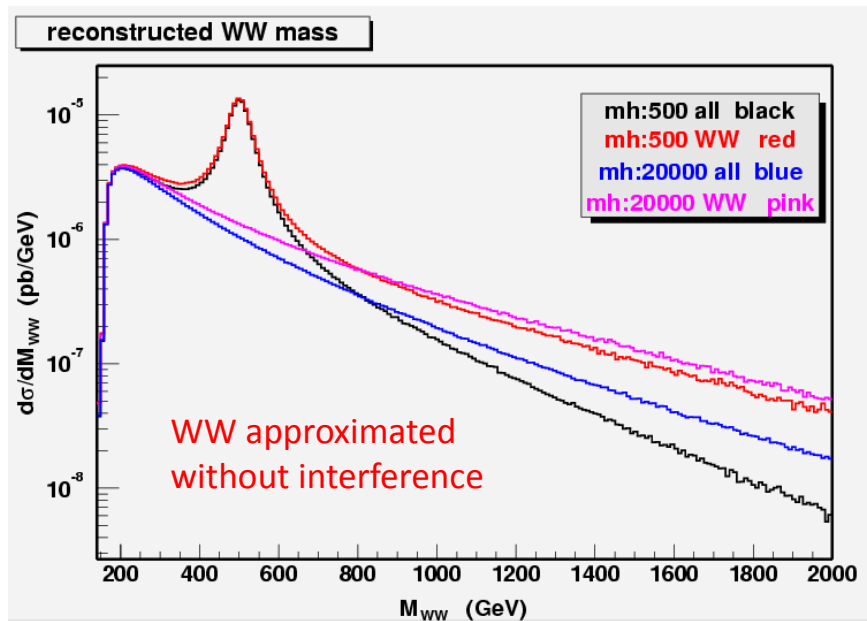
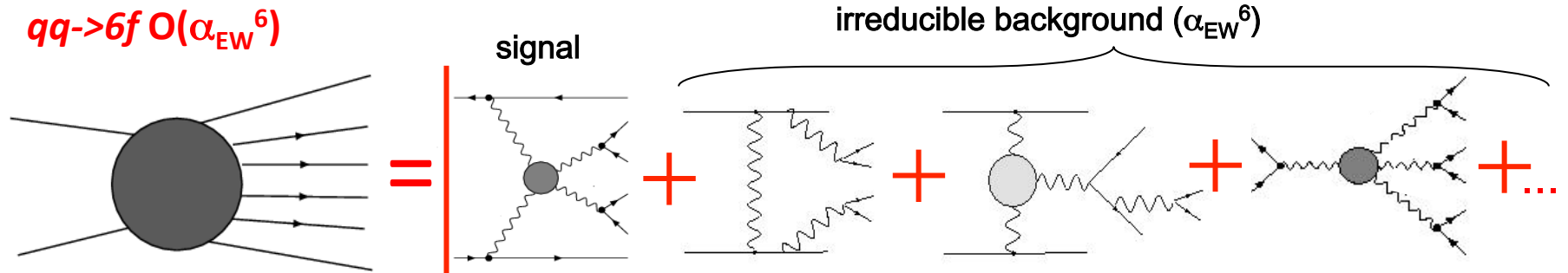
partonic study in the center of mass of W



# VV scattering: interference effects

□ Big interference effects considered only in **Phantom**

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# Summary

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- The first aim of the Higgs search is **the understanding of the EWSB**  
-> focus on H->**VV final state**

- Main steps:

- search for **generic resonance  $X \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4f$**
- search for **VBF resonance** and  
measuring of **VV scattering spectrum**

} angular analysis

- Ingredients along the EWSB road:

- **control of V+jets (jet pruning)**
- **control uncertainties on VV EWK continuum**

# The road to the ElectroWeak Symmetry Breaking

## **BACK-UP**

**18<sup>th</sup> January 2012**

**Seminar at Johns Hopkins University**

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S.Bolognesi (Johns Hopkins University)

# Sources

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**CMS AN-2010-35: Angular Analysis of Resonances  $pp \rightarrow X \rightarrow ZZ$**

A. Bonato, A.V. Gritsan, Z.J. Guo, N.V. Tran, A. Whitbeck  
Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, USA

—————→ Y.Y. Gao *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. D* **81**, 075022 (2010).

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JHU seminar: **Path-Integral Jets** by David Krohn (Harvard)

[www.pha.jhu.edu/groups/particle-theory/seminars/talks/F11/talk.khron.pdf](http://www.pha.jhu.edu/groups/particle-theory/seminars/talks/F11/talk.khron.pdf)

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First LHC to Terascale Workshop (Sept 2011):

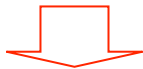
**LCH at LHC** by J.R. Espinoza

**Boson Boson scattering analysis** by A.Ballestrero (INFN Torino)

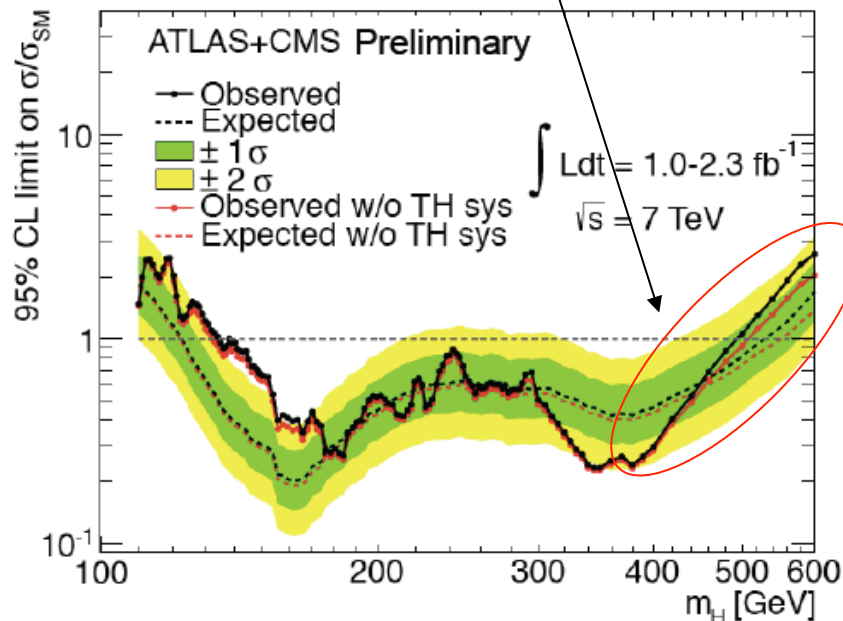
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# Mass shape

- Present approx:
  - xsec for **on-shell** Higgs production and decay in **zero width** approx
  - acceptance from MC with **ad-hoc BW distribution**



**10-30% uncertainty on xsec for m<sub>H</sub> 400–600 GeV**



From Passarino talk at last LHC to Terascale WS

## The off-shell Higgs production

is currently computed according to

$$\sigma_{os}(\mu_H^2) \delta(z \hat{s} - \mu_H^2) \implies \sigma_{OFS}(z \hat{s}) \text{BW}(z \hat{s}),$$

at least at lowest QCD order, where the *so-called* modified Breit–Wigner distributions is defined by

$$\text{BW}(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{s \Gamma_H^{OS} / \mu_H^2}{[s - \mu_H^2]^2 + (s \Gamma_H^{OS} / \mu_H^2)^2},$$

where now  $\mu_H = M_H^{OS}$ .

## This ad-hoc Breit–Wigner

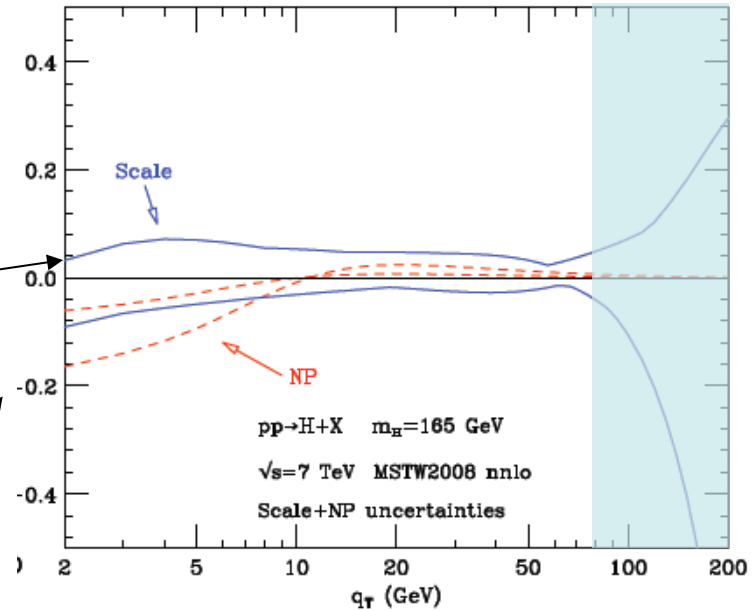
- cannot be derived from QFT and also is not normalizable in  $[0, +\infty]$ .
- Its practical purpose is to enforce a *physical* behavior for low virtualities of the Higgs boson but the usage cannot be justified.
- This modified Breit–Wigner cannot be derived from QFT.
- Note that this Breit–Wigner for a running width comes from the substitution of  $\Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma(s) = \Gamma s / M^2$  in the Breit–Wigner for a fixed width  $\Gamma$ . This substitution is not justifiable.

**Study with QFT-consistent Higgs propagator in the YR2**

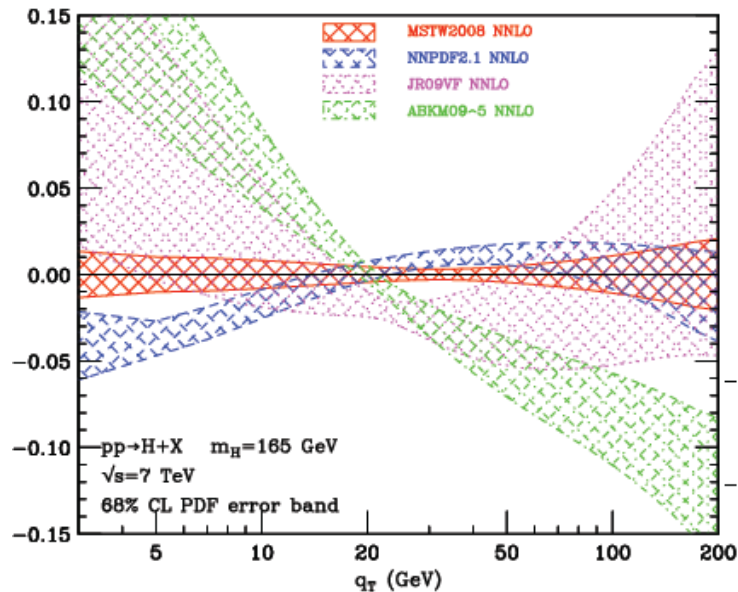
# Higgs $q_T$

- **HqT:**  $q_T > m_H$  NNLO  
 $q_T \ll m_H$  NNLL (resumming  $\ln(m_H^2/q_T^2)$ )

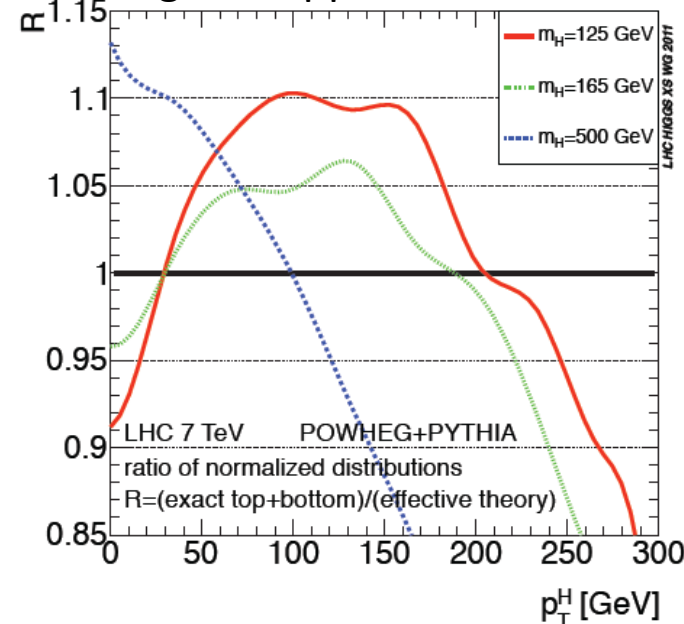
- Uncertainties:
- factor/renorm scale
  - non perturb. effects (smearing with NP form factor)



- **PDF**



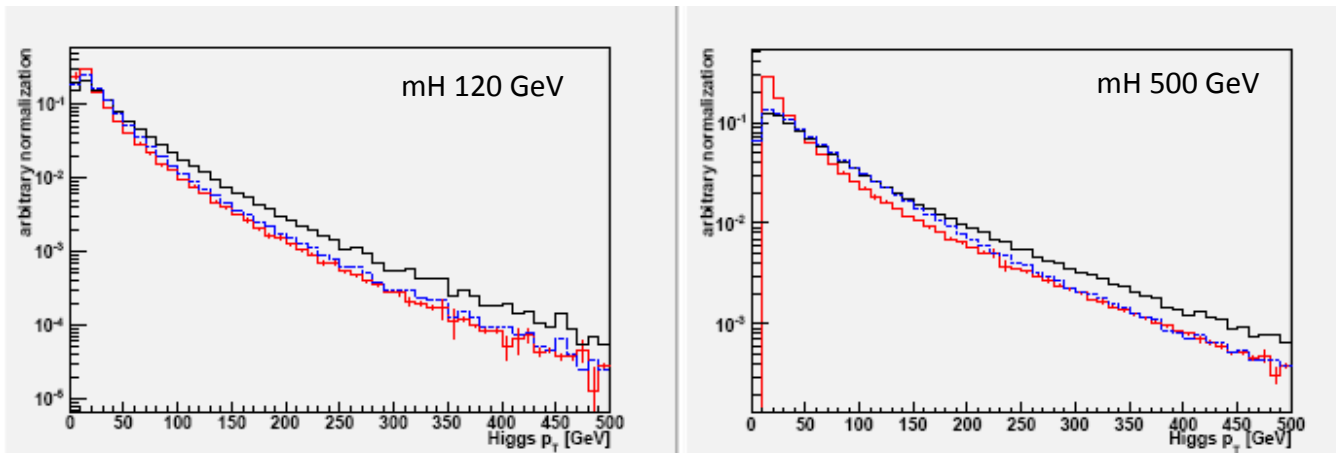
- large  $m_t$  approximation



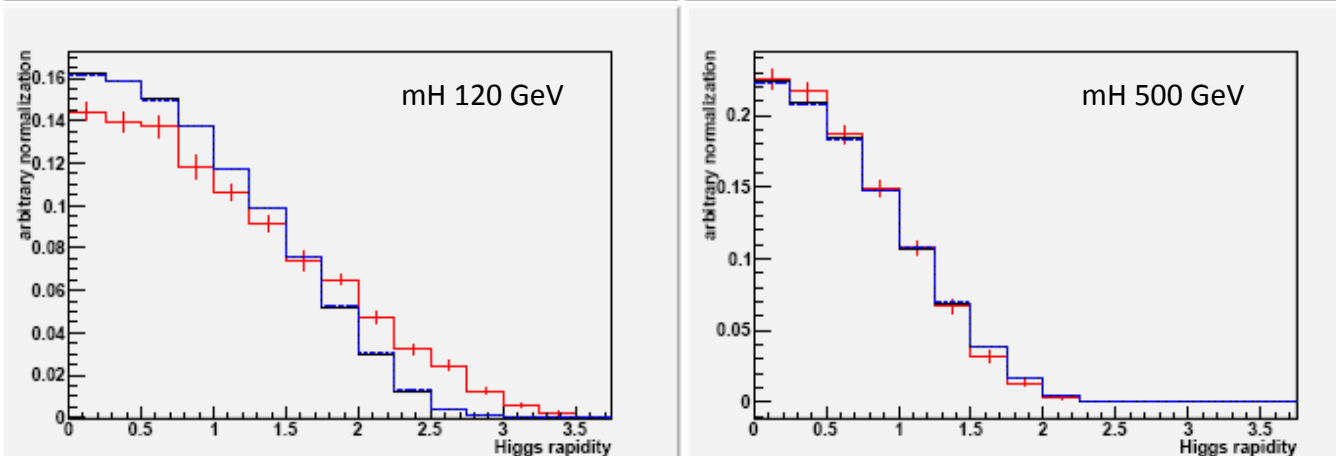
# Reweight to HqT

- HqT used to reweight full event generators (POWHEG at NLO)

H  $p_T$



H  $\eta$



Powheg

Powheg re-weighted to HqT

(to be redone before PS)

HNNLO

- Very small effect on acceptance in 4l: 1-2% (larger if jet veto!)



# Signal: jet counting

- Analysis in exclusive jet bins  
(ex, WW+0,1,2 jets)

→ theoretical uncert in jet bins to be combined with correlations

- varying renormalization and factorization scales in the **fixed-order predictions for each exclusive jet cross section  $\sigma_N$**

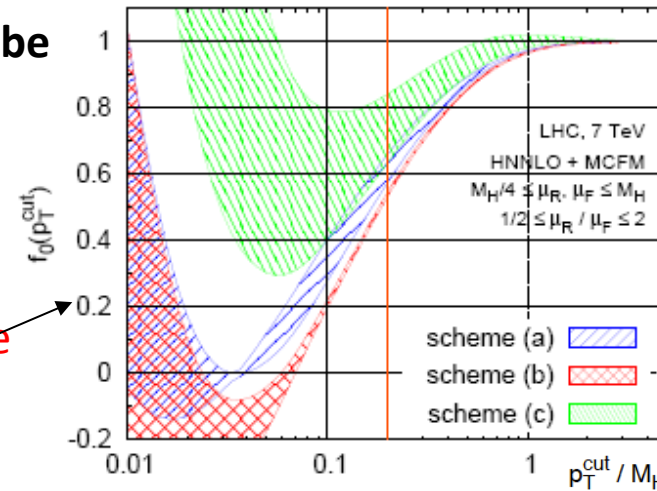
(results as 100% correlated)

- **inclusive xsec ( $\sigma_{\geq N_{\text{jets}}}$ ), as source of perturbative uncertainties**

$$\sigma_N = \sigma_{\geq N} - \sigma_{\geq N+1}$$

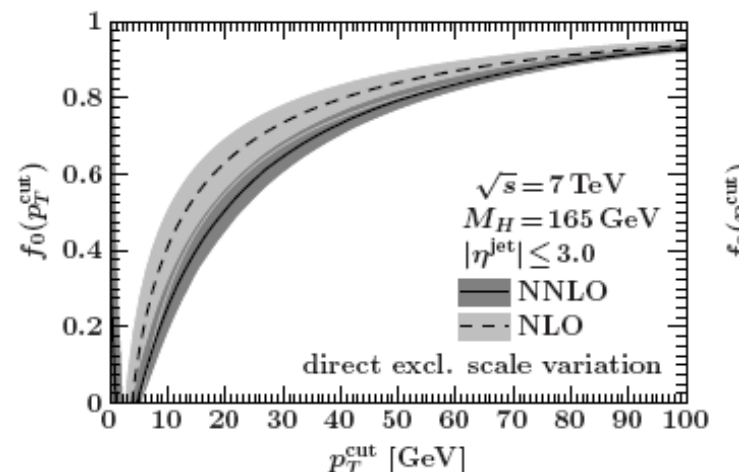
with error propagation

- if background depends on  $N_{\text{jets}}$
- for VBF



different treatments of the uncontrolled higher-order  $O(\alpha^3)$  terms

i.e., different NNLO expansions



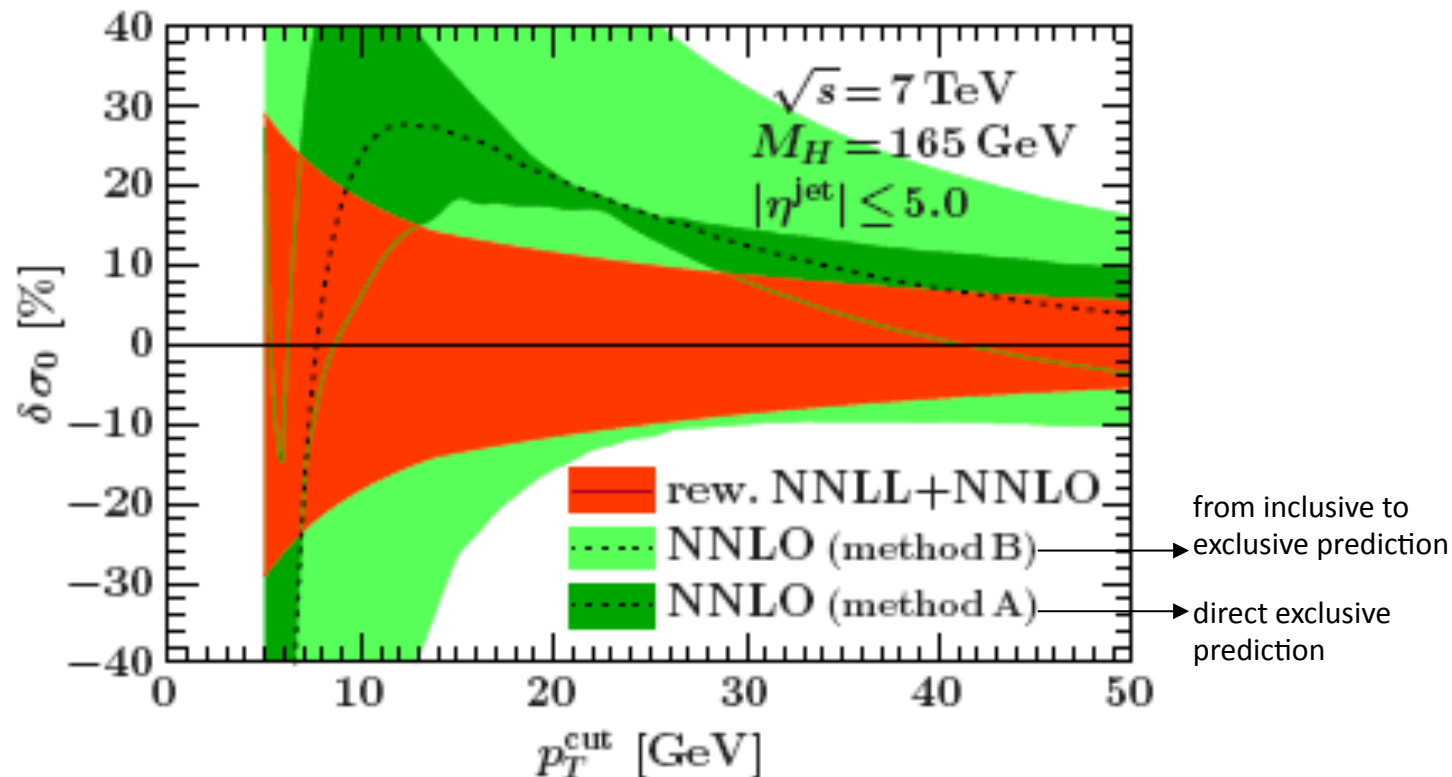
# Signal: jet veto

- **Resummation of jet-veto logarithms** ( $\ln(p_{\text{cut}}/m_H)$ ), induced by jet cut parameter  $p_{\text{cut}}$

Presently doable only on beam thrust variable

$$\mathcal{T}_{\text{cm}} = \sum_k |\vec{p}_{Tk}| e^{-|\eta_k|} = \sum_k (E_k - |p_k^z|) \quad (\sim \text{raw approx of } p_{\text{cut}})$$

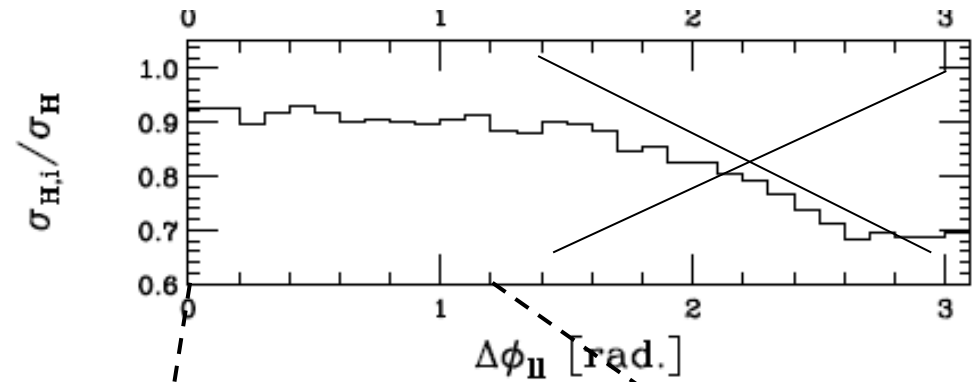
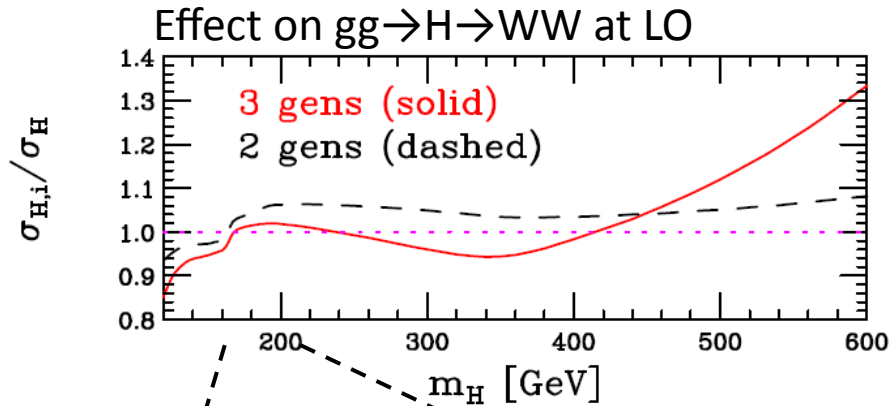
and used to reweight MC@NLO



# Signal-background interference

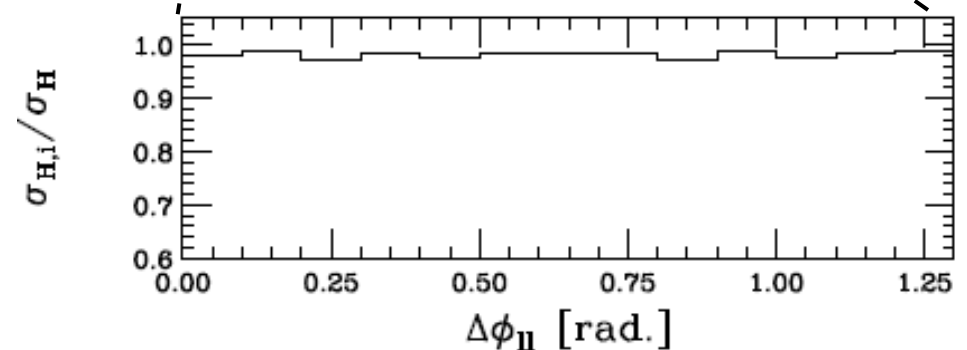
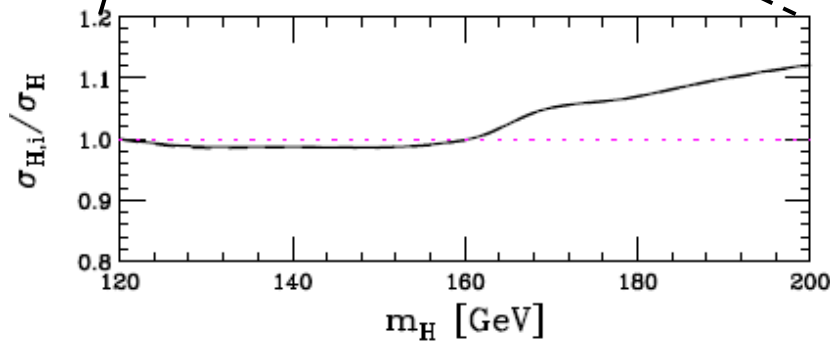
Recent results for WW, but focused on low mass

( arXiv:1107.5569v1 )



$m_T < m_H$   $\Downarrow$  non-resonant diagrams can be large for  $m_T > m_H$

also shape effects!

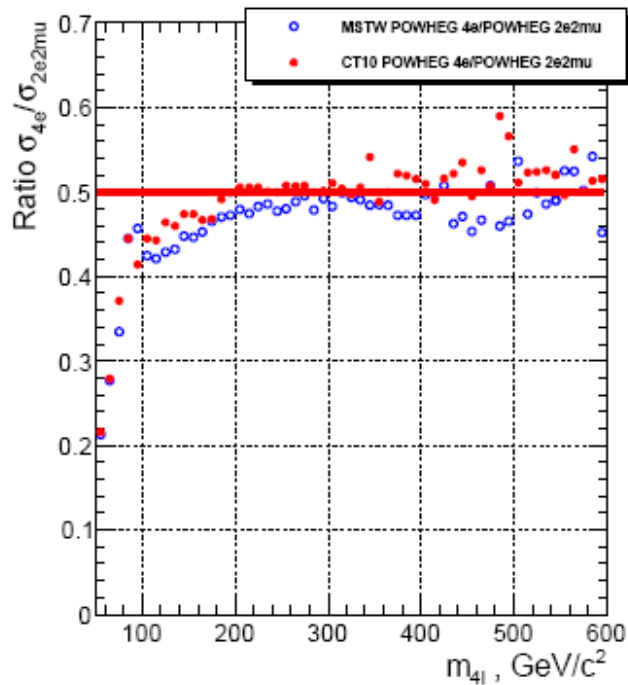


Worth to investigate further at high mass?

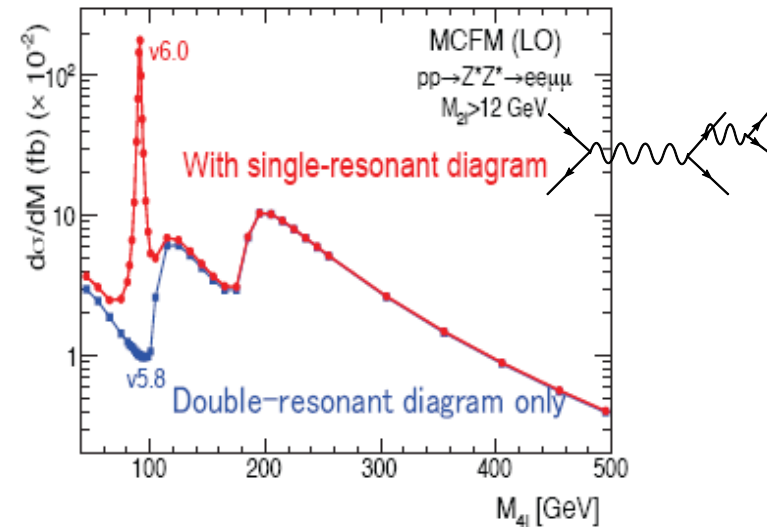
# ZZ: theoretical prediction

☐ ZZ fully from MC, well under control

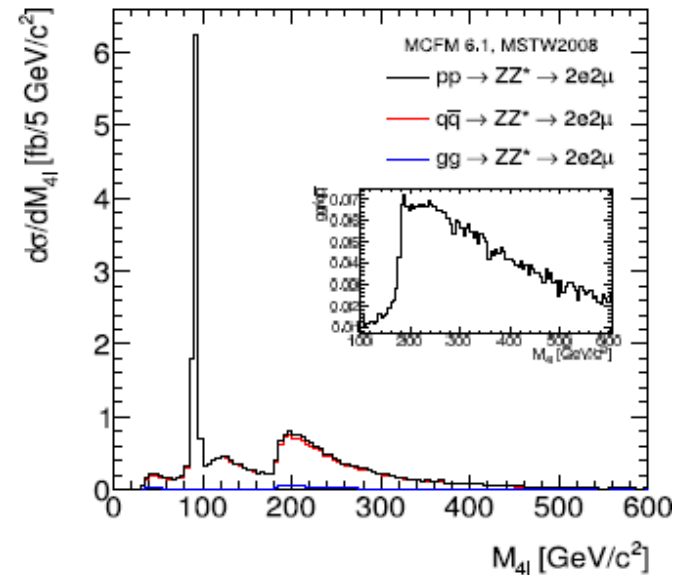
Interference in the final state with identical leptons



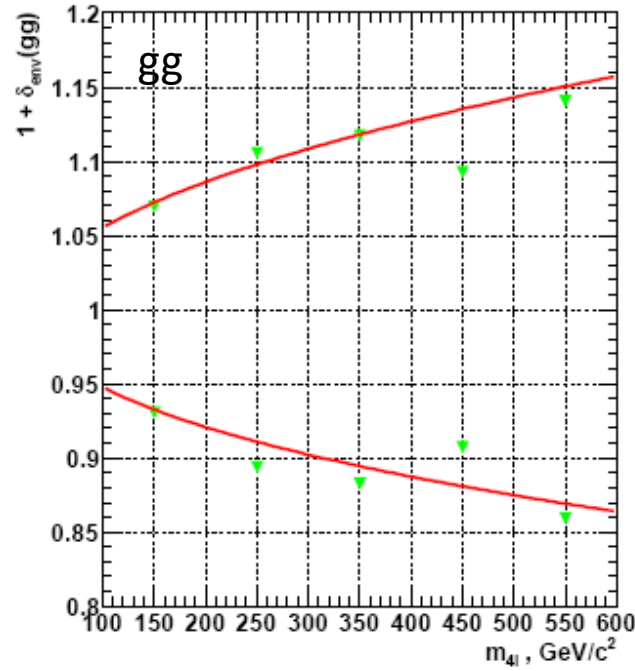
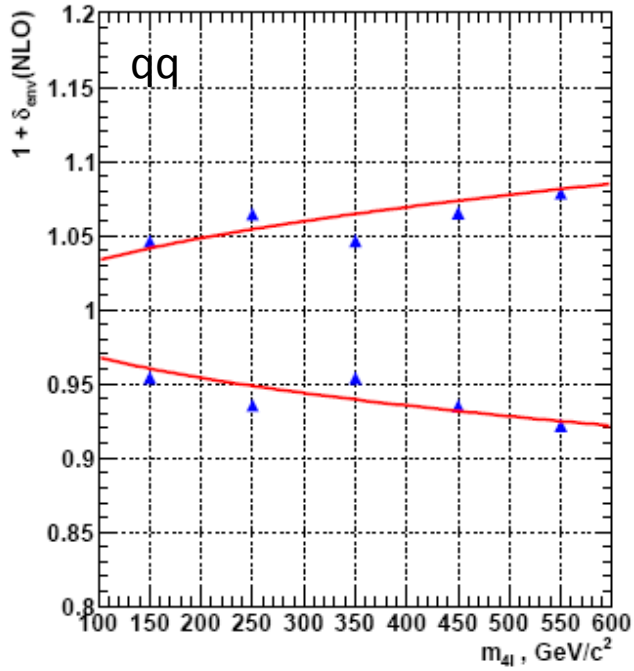
Single resonant contribution



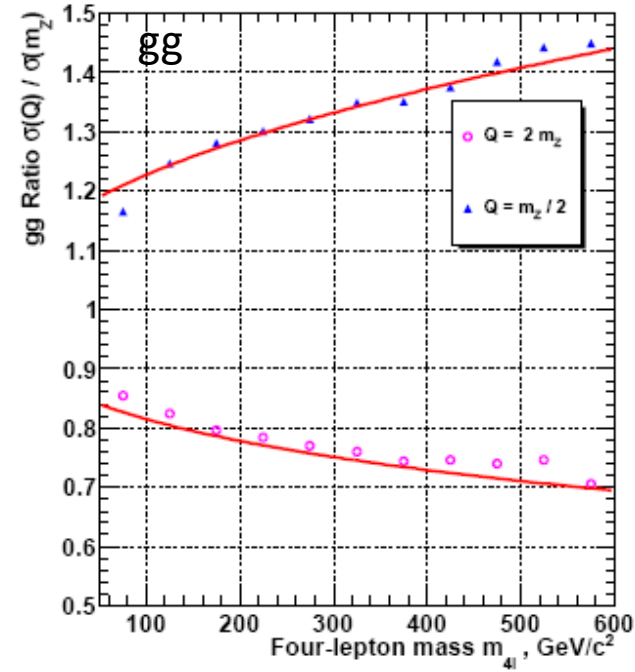
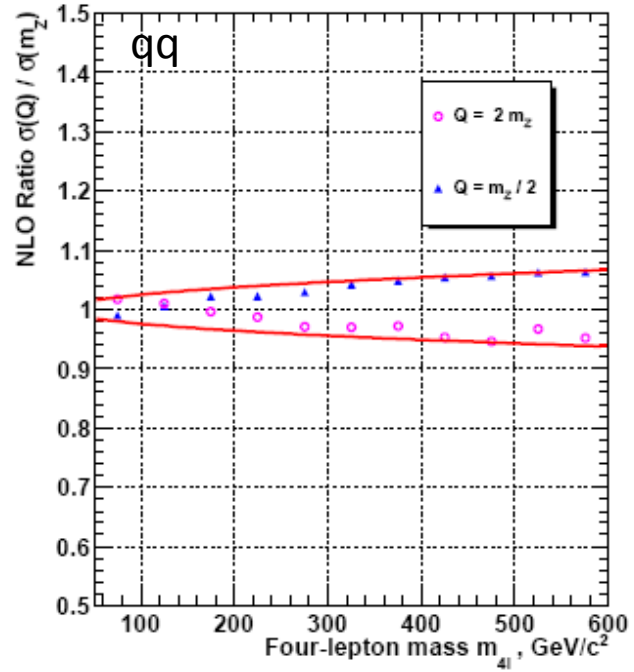
$qq \rightarrow ZZ$  NLO +  $gg \rightarrow ZZ$



# ZZ: theoretical uncertainties



PDF+ $\alpha_s$



scale

# WW: theoretical uncertainties

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- WW taken from MC for large  $m_H$

→ gg+qq NLO available (MCFM)

PDF+ $\alpha_s$  and scale uncertainty dominates

- in jet bins using uncert on  $\sigma(>=N)$  + modeling: MC@NLO vs ALPGEN

$\Delta\sigma_{\geq 0}$ (%)	$\Delta\sigma_{\geq 1}$ (%)	$\Delta\sigma_{\geq 2}$ (%)	$\Delta\sigma_{\geq 3}$ (%)
3	6	42	100

- WW from control region for  $m_H < 200$  GeV ( $m_{ll}, \Delta\phi_{ll}$ )

	scale	pdf CTEQ 6.6 error set	pdf central (CTEQ6.6, MSTW2008, NNPDF2.1)	Modelisation
$\alpha_{WW}^{0j}$	2.5%	2.6%	2.7 %	3.5%
$\alpha_{WW}^{1j}$	4%	2.5%	1.4 %	3.5 %

# $WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$ measurement

❑ Complex analysis (no mass peak  $\rightarrow$  counting experiment, many backgrounds)

❑ Main systematics:

▪ background estimate:

Background	Cuts
W+jets	tight lepton quality
top	(b-)jet veto
Drell-Yan	Z mass veto missing $E_T$
WZ, ZZ, $W\gamma$	2 leptons $\rightarrow$ estimated from MC

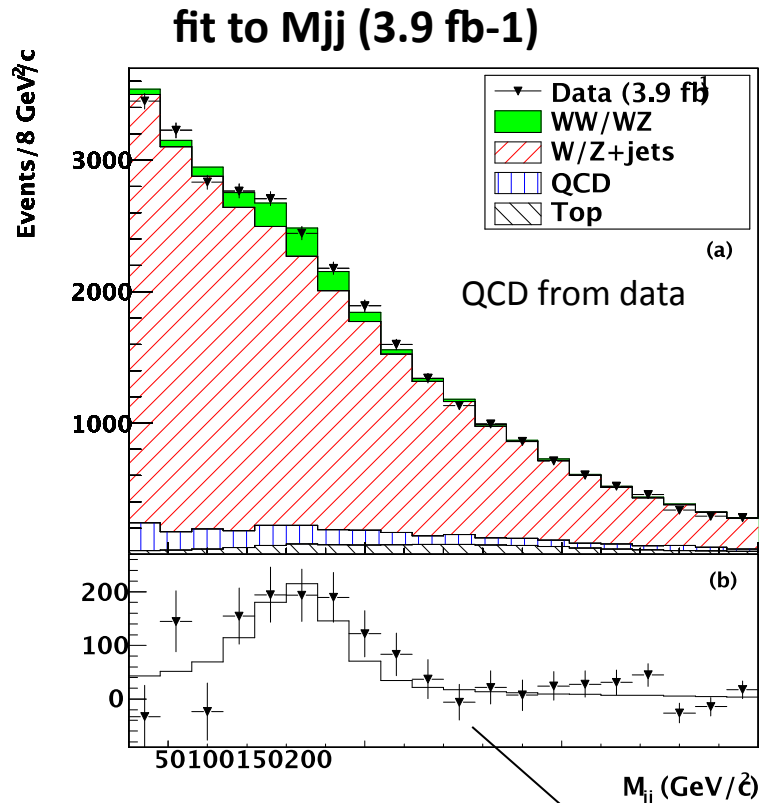
} from data  
estimated

Sample	Yield
$qq \rightarrow W^+W^-$	$349.7 \pm 30.3$
$gg \rightarrow W^+W^-$	$17.2 \pm 1.6$
W + jets	$106.9 \pm 38.9$
$t\bar{t} + tW$	$63.8 \pm 15.9$
$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow ll + WZ + ZZ$	$12.2 \pm 5.3$
$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$	$1.6 \pm 0.4$
WZ/ZZ not in $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow ll$	$8.5 \pm 0.9$
W + $\gamma$	$8.7 \pm 1.7$
signal + background	$568.6 \pm 52.2$
Data	626

▪ signal acceptance: jet-veto efficiency  
leptonic efficiency  
missing  $E_T$  uncertainty  
theoretical (gg box, PDF)

# WW/WZ → lν2j at CDF

- ❑ **First observation:  $5.4\sigma$**  (first evidence at D0 with  $4.4\sigma$  in 2008)
- ❑ Much **larger backgrounds**, no **resolution** to distinguish W/Z → jj



+ **matrix element method: (2.7 fb<sup>-1</sup>)**

- discriminant exploiting full kinematic information, based on calculations of differential xsec of signal and background
- data-MC validation of input kinematic variables
- fit to shape of discriminant

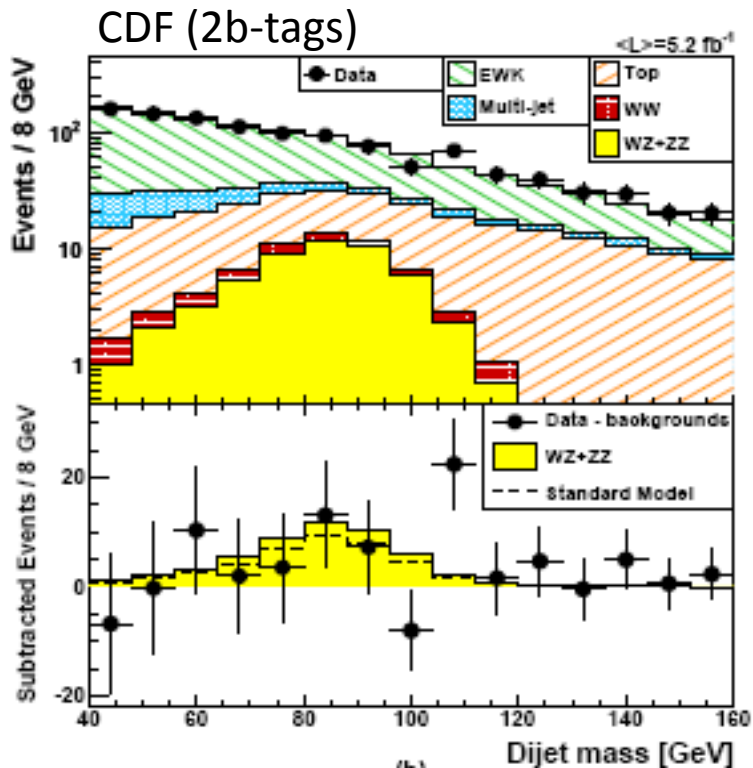
$$\sigma(WW + WZ) = 16.0 \pm 3.3(\text{stat} + \text{syst}) \text{ pb} \quad (\text{NLO expected} \quad 16.1 \pm 0.9 \text{ pb})$$



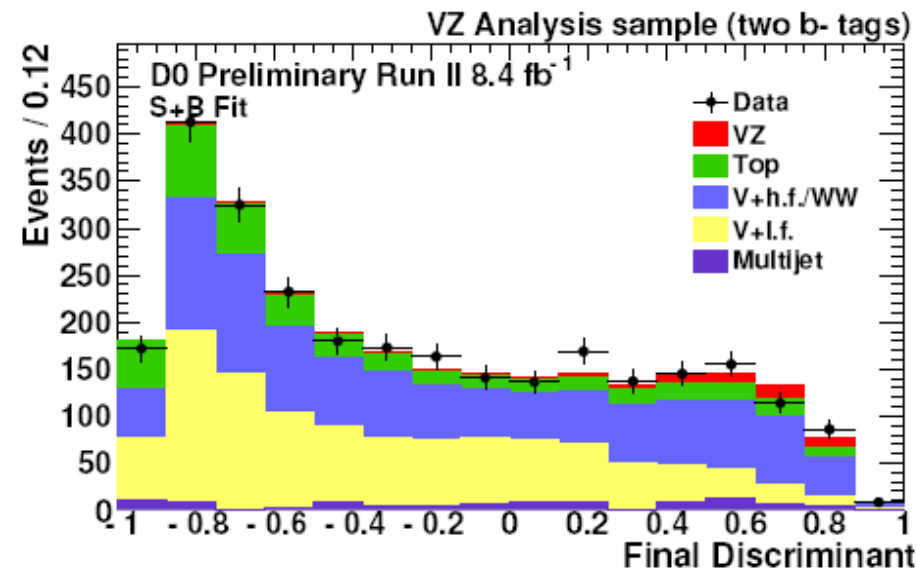
# WZ/ZZ → lν/νν + 2b at Tevatron

❑ Crucial for Higgs search (ZH → ννbb). Very complex analysis!

- WZ → lνbb + ZZ → ννbb → b-tag jets + missing E<sub>T</sub> (+ topological cuts)
- No leptons! → huge background: multijets QCD, V+jets (from data)
- very sophisticated techniques: b-tag probability with Boosted Decision Tree or Neural Network which exploits much info and different variables



different channels combined (0,1,2 b-tag)



$$D0: \sigma(WZ, ZZ) = 6.9 \pm 1.3(\text{stat}) \pm 1.8(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$$

$$CDF: \sigma(WZ, ZZ) = 5.8_{-3.0}^{+3.6} \text{ pb} \quad (\text{expected } 4.6 \text{ pb})$$

$$(\text{expected } 5.1 \text{ pb})$$

# ZZ at CDF

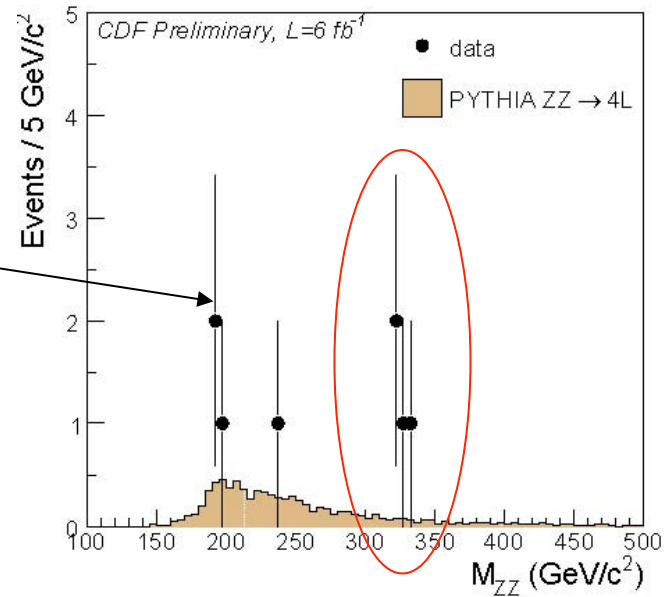
□ **ZZ→4l** (6 fb<sup>-1</sup>) excess of events at high M<sub>ZZ</sub> (eg Randall Sundrum Graviton)

- But xsec still compatible with SM

$$\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow ZZ) = (2.8^{+1.2}_{-0.9} \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.3 \text{ (syst.)}) \text{ pb}$$

$$(1.4 \pm 0.1) \text{ pb}$$

- No excess in other final states



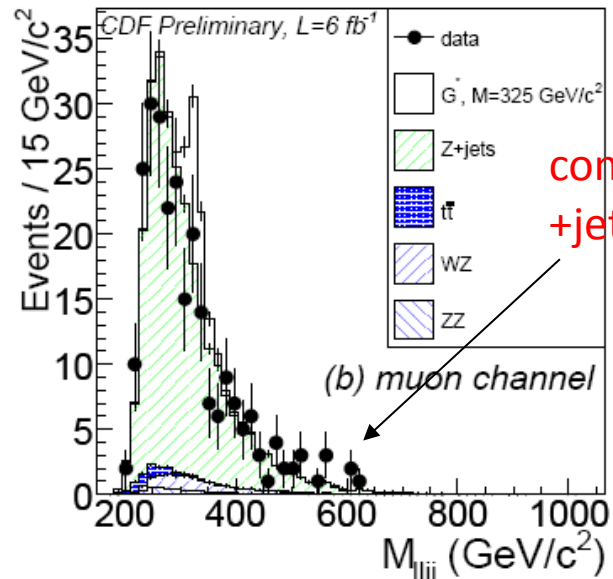
□ **ZZ→2l2ν** (5.9 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

Shape analysis with fit to neural network

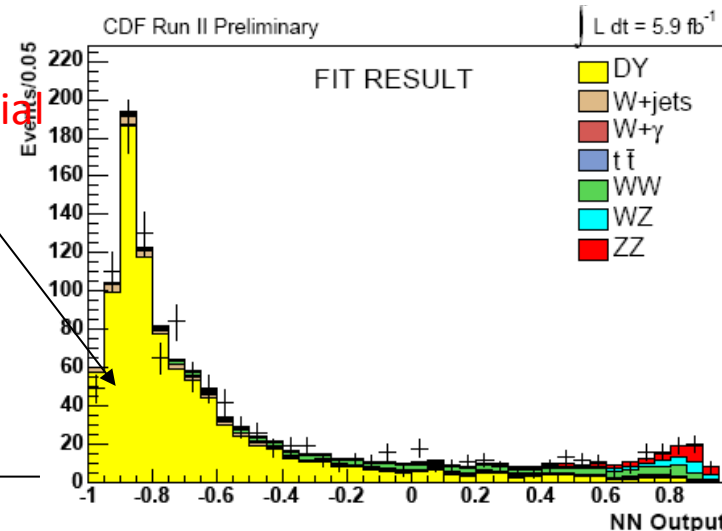
$$\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow ZZ) = 1.45^{+0.45}_{-0.42} \text{ (stat.)}^{+0.41}_{-0.30} \text{ (syst.)} \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(ZZ) = 1.21^{+0.05}_{-0.04} \text{ (scale)}^{+0.04}_{-0.03} \text{ (PDF)} \text{ pb.}$$

□ **ZZ→2l2j**

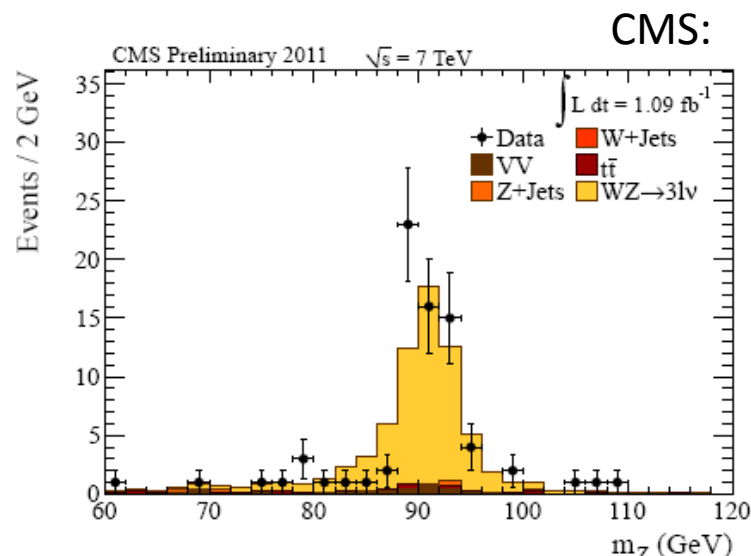


control of Z +jets is crucial



# WZ → 3l + ν at LHC

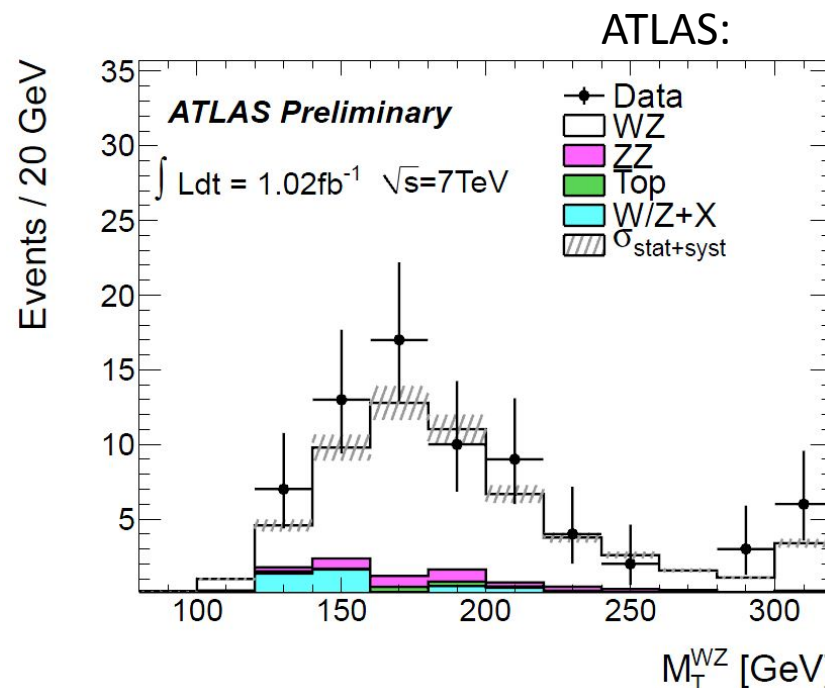
☐ Very clean, low background



Sample	3e0μ	2e1μ	1e2μ	0e3μ
Background	2.95	2.14	1.31	1.72
WZ → 3lν	14.47	17.49	13.95	18.56
AllMC	17.42	19.62	15.26	20.28
Data	22	20	13	20

$$\sigma(WZ) = 17.0 \pm 2.4(stat) \pm 1.1(syst) \pm 1.0(lumi) pb$$

$$(NLO \text{ expected } 18.75_{-0.8}^{+1.1} pb)$$



$$\sigma(WZ) = 21.1_{-2.8}^{+3.1}(stat) \pm 1.2(syst)_{-0.8}^{+0.9}(lumi) pb$$

$$(NLO \text{ expected } 17.2_{-0.8}^{+1.2} pb)$$

# Recent $WZ \rightarrow 3l + \nu$ at Tevatron

□ Possible **only at hadron colliders**  
(charged final state)

▪ **D0 with 4.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>**

statistics 2 times smaller than LHC,  
while xsec is 6 times smaller

$$\sigma(WZ) = 3.90^{+1.06}_{-0.90} pb$$

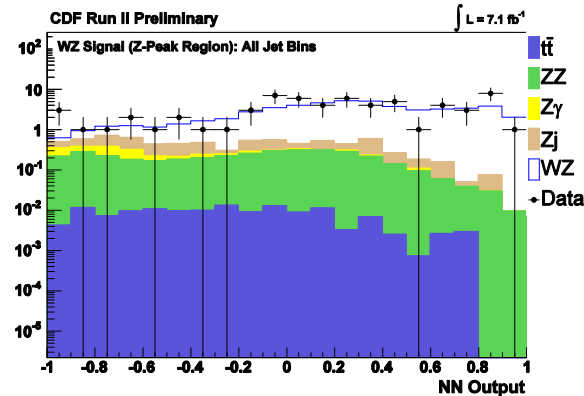
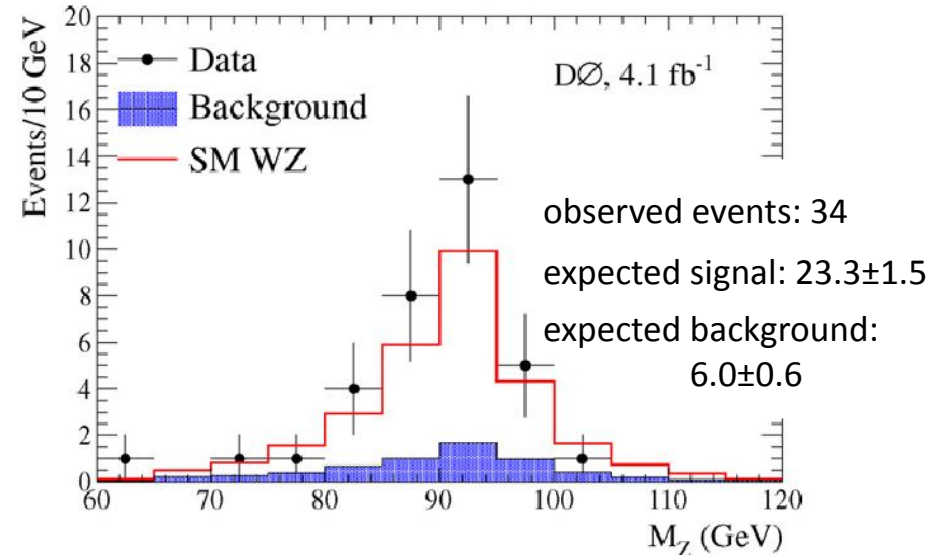
(NLO expected  $3.25 \pm 0.1$ )  $9 pb$

▪ **CDF with 7.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>**

Shape analysis with fit to neural  
network

$$\sigma(WZ) = 3.9^{+0.6}_{-0.5} (stat)^{+0.6}_{-0.4} (syst) pb$$

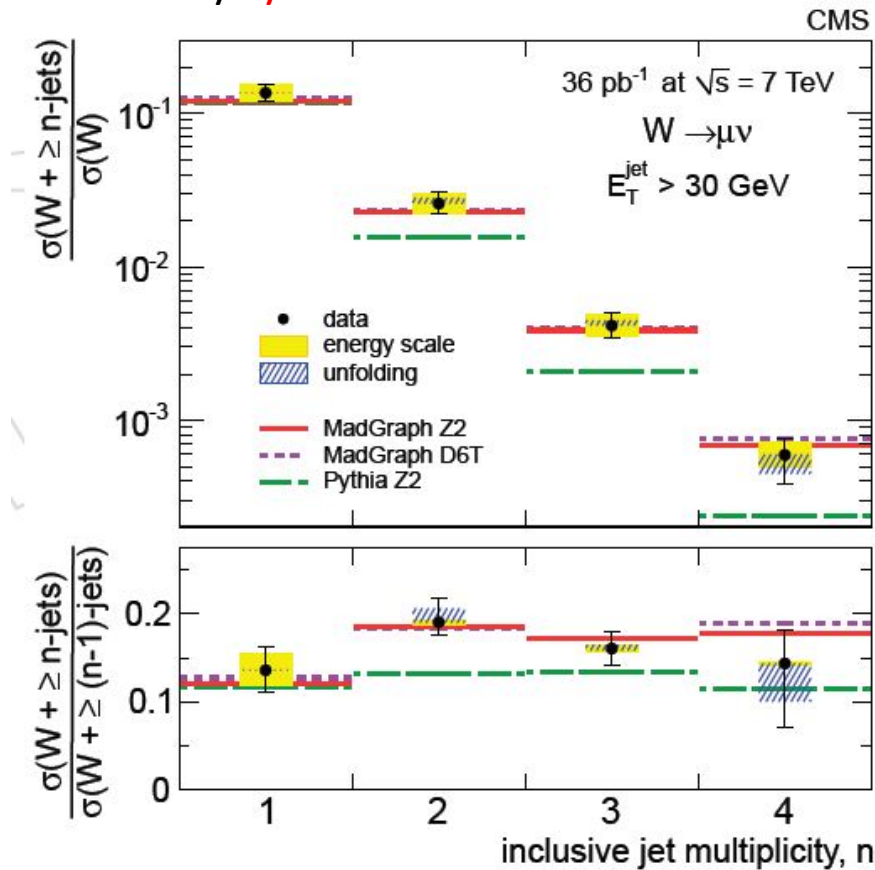
(NLO expected  $3.46 \pm 0.2$ )  $1 pb$



# V+jets: ratios

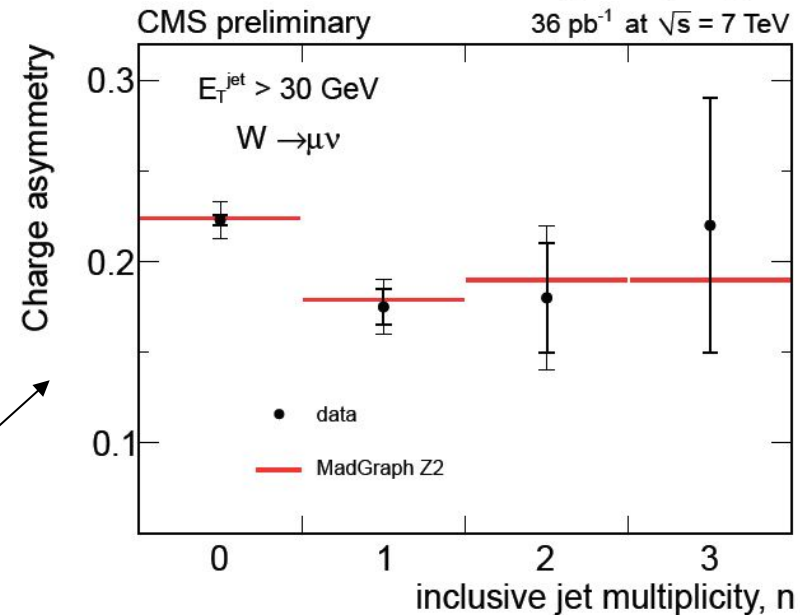
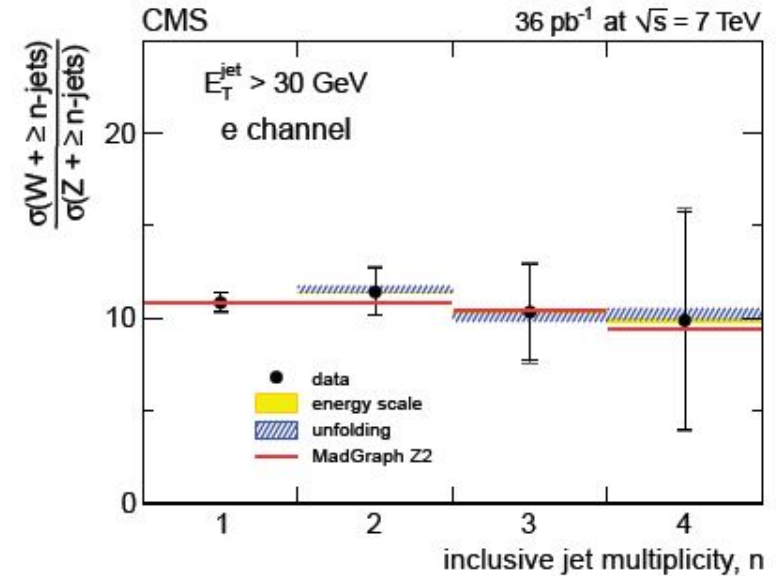
CMS PAS EWK-10-011

- Many systematics cancel out



- Very well known theoretically → any deviation is hint of NP

- Use high statistics W sample to predict Z+jets background for NP



# The input: signal description

Common effort CMS-ATLAS-theoreticians:

## Higgs Xsec working group

(2 yellow reports published: [arXiv:1101.0593 \[hep-ph\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1101.0593)  
[arXiv:1201.3084 \[hep-ph\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1201.3084) )

☐ Higgs  $p_T$  reweighted at NNLO+NNLL  
 (Powheg+HqT+HNNLO)

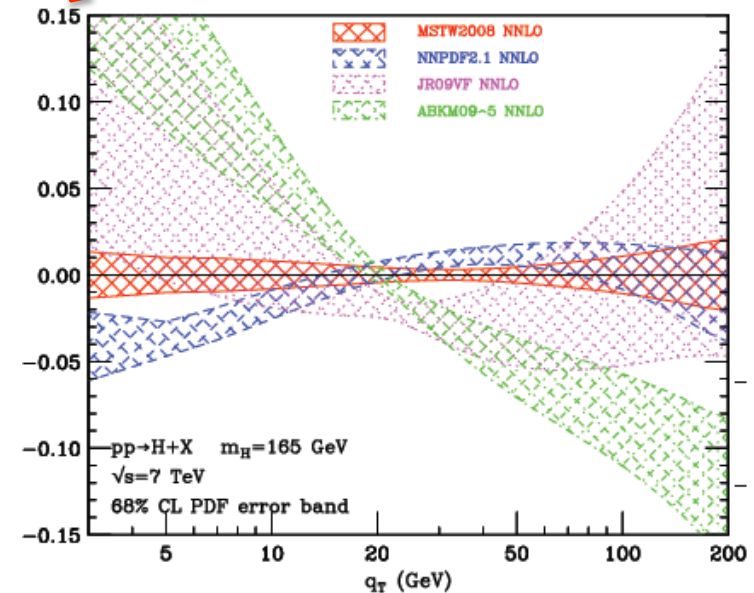
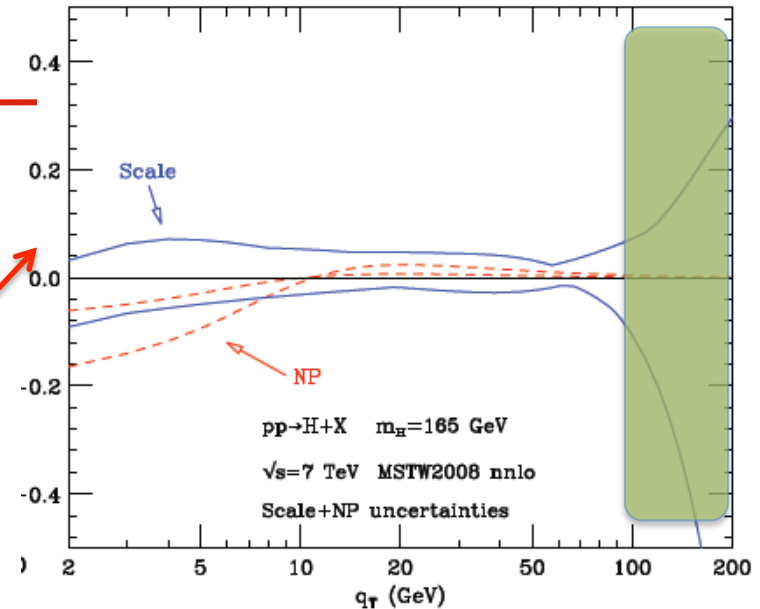
uncertainties: • factor/renorm scale  
 • non perturb. effects, PDF

☐ Mass shape uncertainty at high mass:

- xsec for **on-shell** Higgs production and decay in **zero width** approx
- acceptance from MC with **ad-hoc BW distribution**

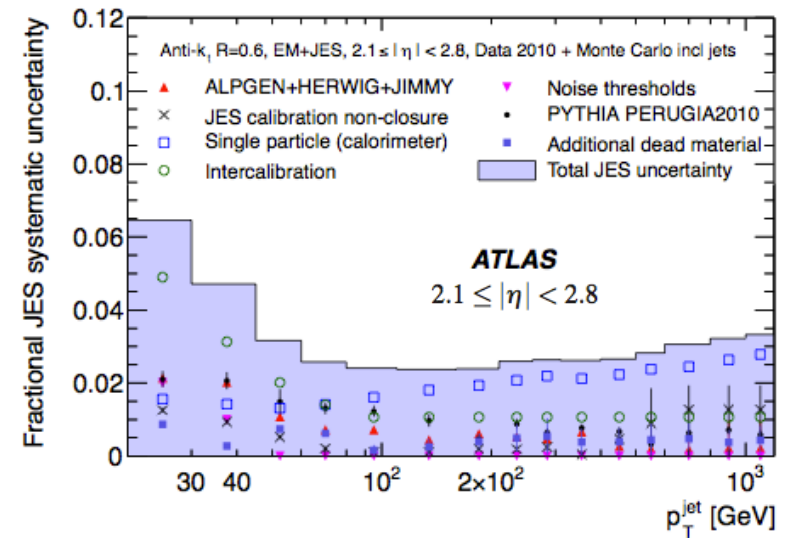
**10-30% uncertainty on xsec for  $m_H$  400–600 GeV**

Now shape from proper (QFT-consistent)  
 Higgs propagator available!

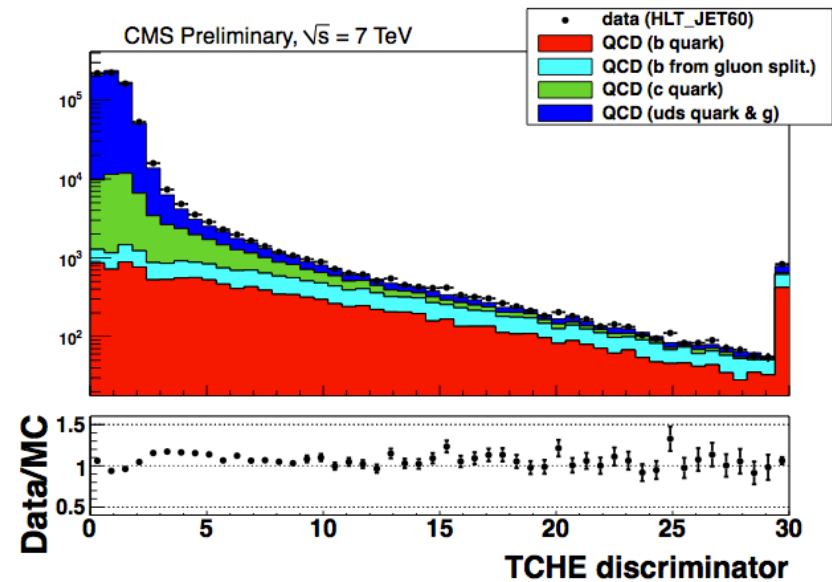
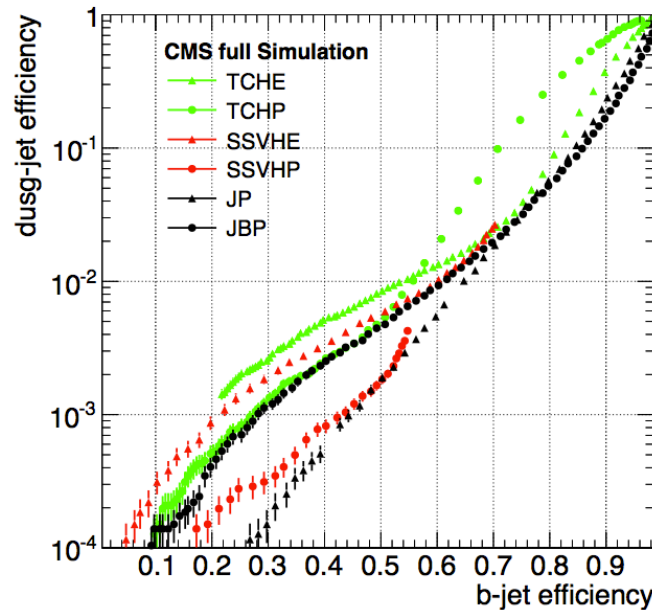


# The input: object reconstruction

- **Leptons (e,μ) from V**:  $p_T > 20$  GeV, isolated, if from Z then  $M(\ell\ell) \sim 91$  GeV  
 -> optimal performances, see previous lecturer
- **Jets**: ATLAS: clusters of calorimeter deposits,  $p_T > 25$  GeV  
 CMS: particle-flow (full particle identification with tracker+calo),  $p_T > 30$  GeV



- **B-tagging**



- **MET** : calorimeter deposits (in CMS also part. flow)

# H → ZZ → llvv

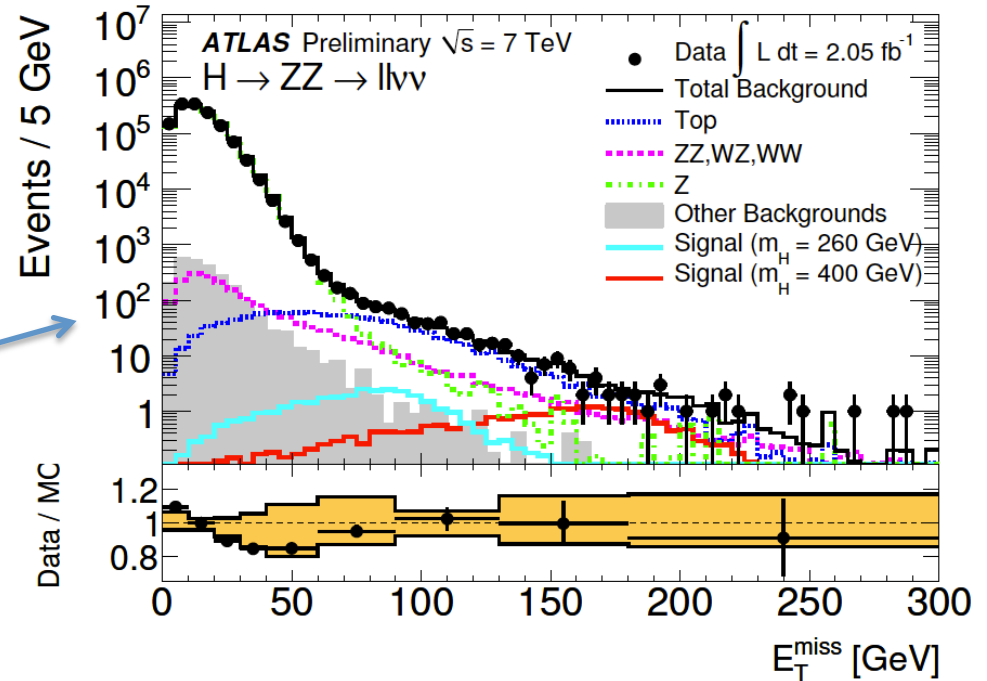
□ 2 leptons from Z + MET.

▪ **Backgrounds:**

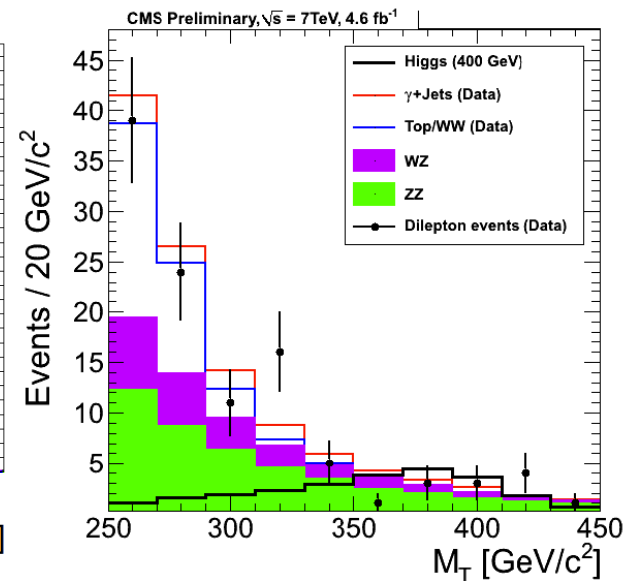
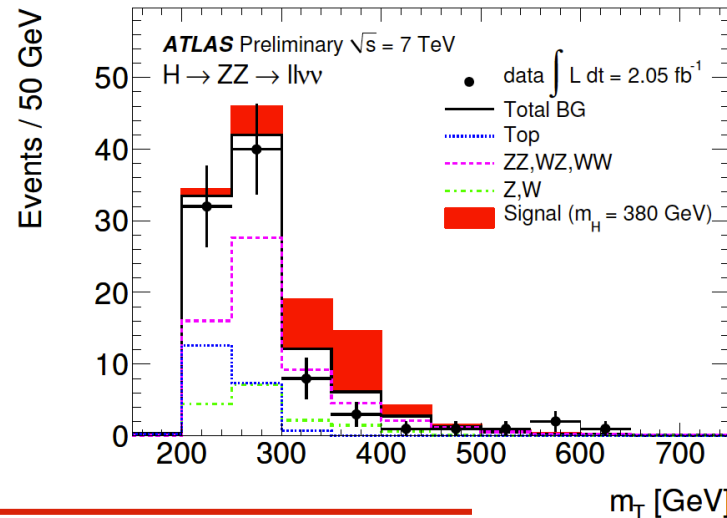
- **Z+jets** removed asking for high, “real” MET  
high  $\Delta\phi(\text{jet-MET}, \text{Z-MET})$
- **ttbar** removed vetoing b-tag jets
- VV mainly irreducible
- W+jets with lepton fake or from HF

▪ **Final cuts:**

- high MET
- high  $\Delta\phi(\text{ll})$  or  $p_T \text{Z} \rightarrow$  for high  $m_H$
- **UL from fit to  $m_T$**   
broad distribution but pretty good S/B



$$m_T^2 \equiv \left[ \sqrt{m_Z^2 + |\vec{p}_T^{\ell\ell}|^2} + \sqrt{m_Z^2 + |\vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}|^2} \right]^2 - \left[ \vec{p}_T^{\ell\ell} + \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}} \right]^2$$





# H->ZZ->llvv: Z+jets control

- **Z+jets is  $10^5 \times$  signal and steeply falling** with MET and  $p_T Z$ 
  - high MET tail dominated by **fake MET** (difficult to simulate)
  - cut on **Z boost depends on Z+jets modeling**

## ATLAS

MET shape comparison  
**pythia-alpgen (5-20%)**

**JES** systematics on MET

normalization data-MC  
comparison m(ll) (2.5%)

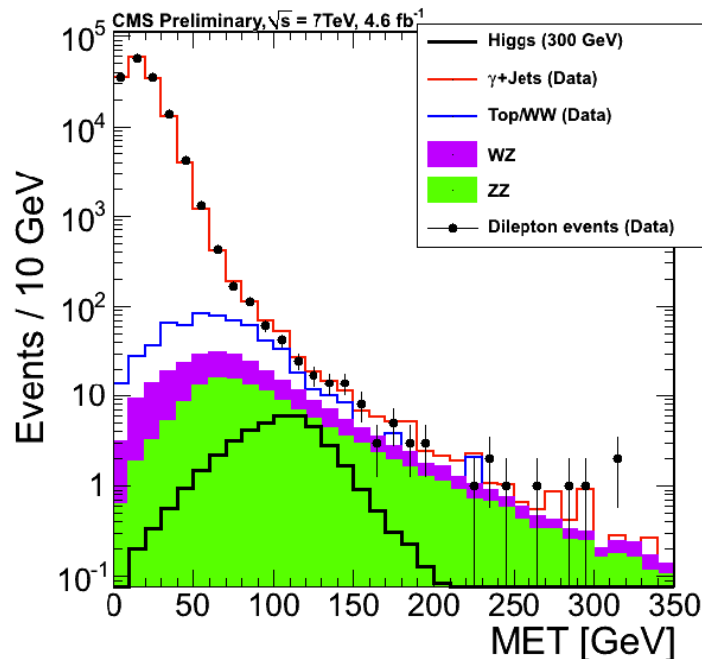


**7% uncertainty**

## CMS: fully data-driven

**$\gamma$ +jets** reweighted vs N jets, boson  $p_T$ , N vertices

boson mass by sampling Z line-shape from  
fit to data



Main systematics:  
contamination from  
 $\gamma$  + real MET



Z+jets left float btw  
0 and  $\gamma$ +jet prediction  
**(-100%,+0% uncertainty)**

# H->ZZ->llvv: non resonant backgrounds

## □ ATLAS:

- **ttbar from MC**
  - xcheck in control regions (mll sidebands, e+mu)
  - systematics btag eff and mistag rate

-> **9% uncertainty**

- W+jets normalization from control region (same-sign ll + MET)

-> **100% uncertainty**

## □ CMS:

- **non resonant from data:**  
e+mu and m(ll) sidebands

$$N_{\mu\mu} = \frac{N_{\mu\mu}^{SB}}{N_{e\mu}^{SB}} \times N_{e\mu}$$

systematics from statistics in e+mu data

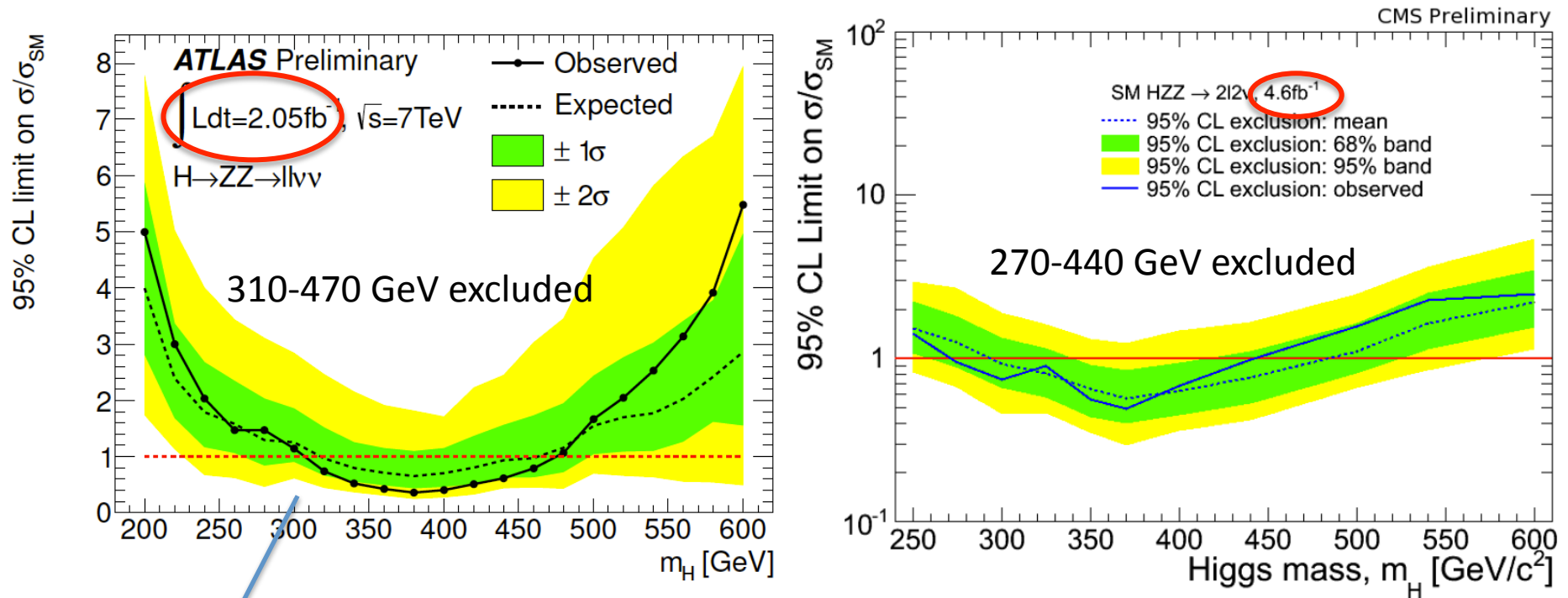
-> **15-100% uncertainty**

- VV from MC ->systematics on norm from PDF, scale, missing VZ\*  
-> **5-10% uncertainty**

CMS 4.6 fb<sup>-1</sup>

$m_H$ (GeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	ZZ	WZ	Top/WW/ W+jets/Z->ττ	Z+Jets	Total	Signal	Data
400	12 ± 0.13 ± 0.87	4.6 ± 0.14 ± 0.39	0	2.7 ± 2.7	19 ± 0.19 ± 2.9	17 ± 1.6	18

# H->ZZ->llvv: results



ATLAS includes  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$  (13%-77%) and  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ ,  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2l2q$   
 (exclusive cuts wrt to dedicated analysis to avoid double counting in combination)

# H → ZZ → ljj

□ 2l from Z + 2jets from Z

(to improve m<sub>H</sub> resolution:  
kinematic fit M(Z → jj) in CMS,  
m<sub>Z</sub>/m<sub>jj</sub> rescaling in ATLAS)

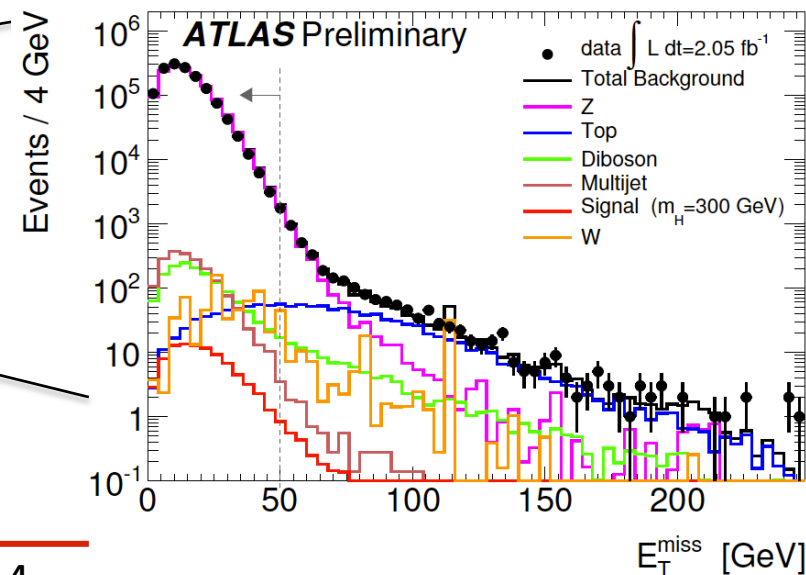
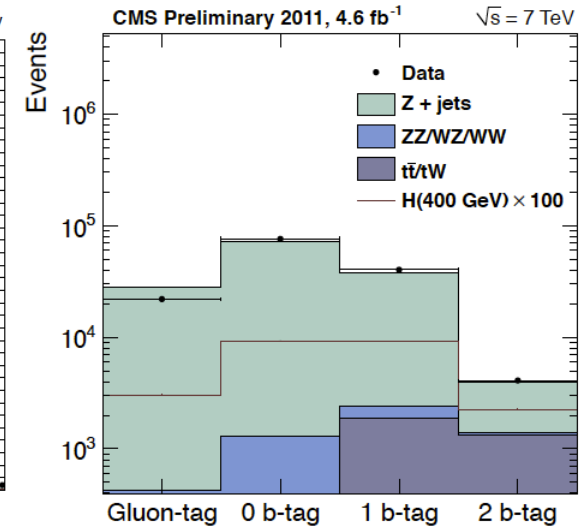
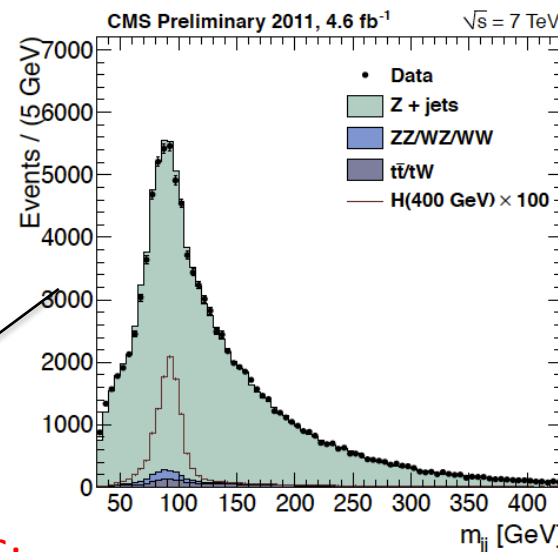
□ Main background Z+jets

• still peaking ~M<sub>Z</sub> because of  
kinematic p<sub>T</sub> cuts

• no b-jets → b categories (CMS:  
0,1,2 bjet; ATLAS: 2 bjets or less)

• (CMS remove jet from gluons  
with qg-likelihood discriminant)

□ In 2 btag ttbar relevant → MET cut  
(MET significance in CMS)



# H->ZZ->lljj: final cuts

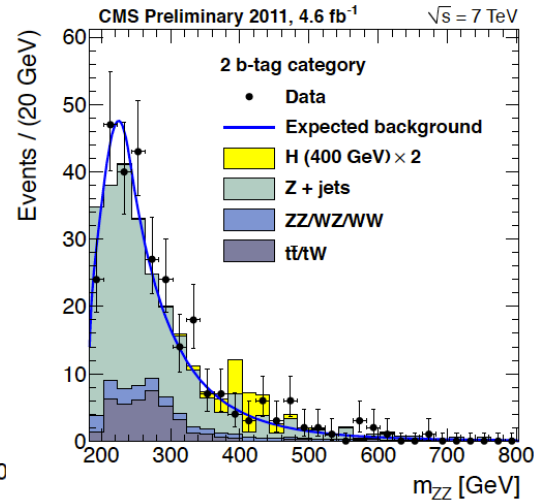
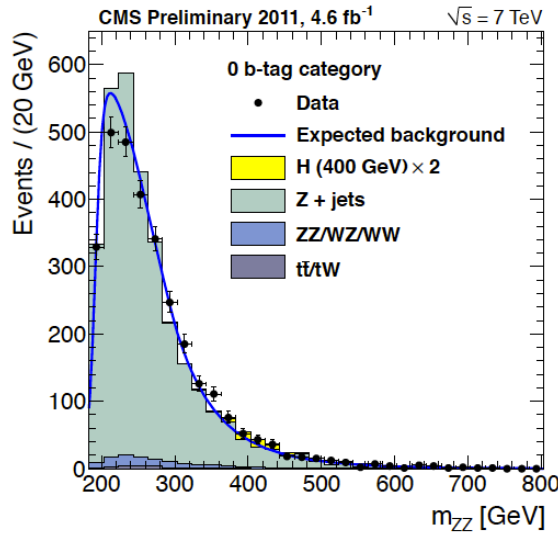
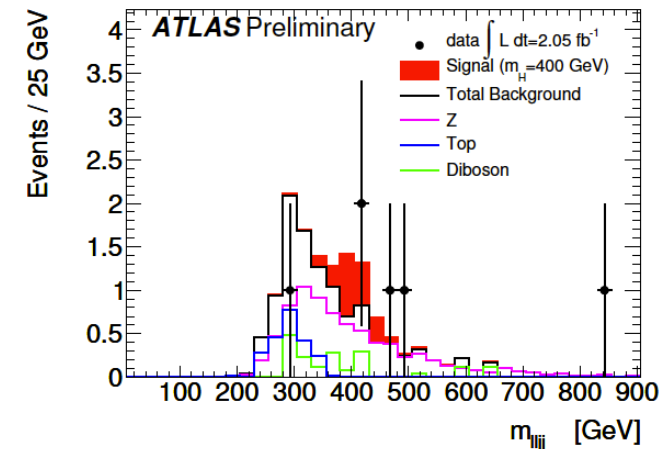
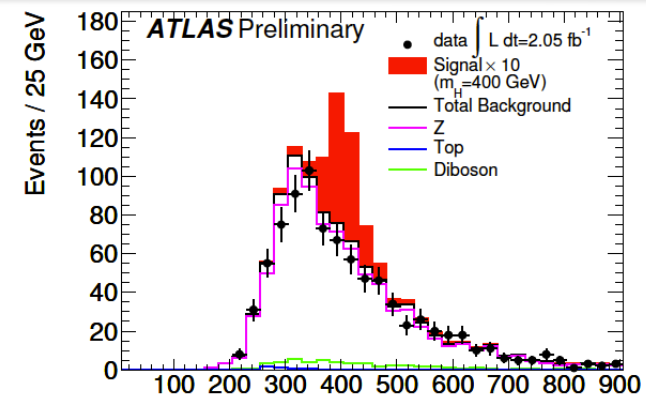
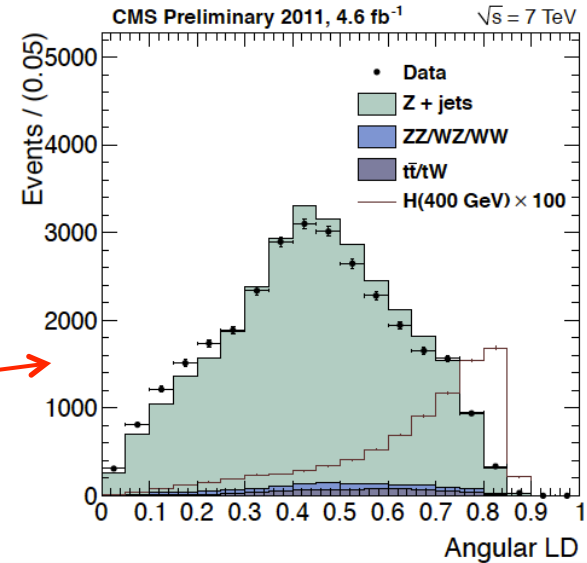
□ **ATLAS**: higher  $p_T$  jets + small  $\Delta\phi(jj)$ ,  $\Delta\phi(ll)$  -> **high Z  $p_T$**  for high mass Higgs

□ **CMS**: exploit **full angular info**  
**H(spin0) -> ZZ -> 4f** :

likelihood discriminant built with angles distributions

->no  $m(jj)$  bias -> background from sidebands

□ UL from **fit to  $m(lljj)$**



# H->ZZ->lljj: background control

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## □ ATLAS:

### ▪ Z+jets

- **shape from MC** -> uncertainty from Pythia-AlpGen comparison
- **normalization from data M(jj) sidebands**  
-> uncertainty from data statistics: 1-12%  
depend. on mH and untagged (16%)

### ▪ ttbar from MC

- xcheck in MET>50 GeV, M(ll) sidebands  
-> uncertainty from data statistics +  
theoretical uncertainty (~15-20%)

## □ CMS:

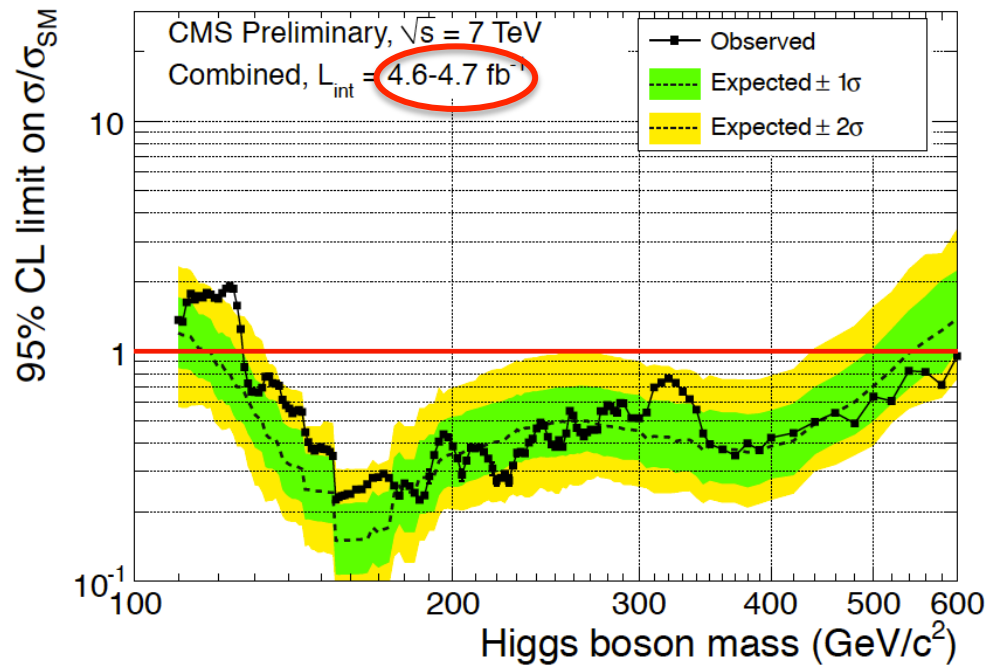
### ▪ All background at once, data-driven (highly dominated by Z+jets)

- **shape and normalization from data M(jj) sidebands**
- rescaled SB/SR from MC

-> uncertainty from statistics

# Combined results: high mass

## 127-600 GeV 95% CL exclusion



## 131-237 251-468 GeV 95% CL exclusion

