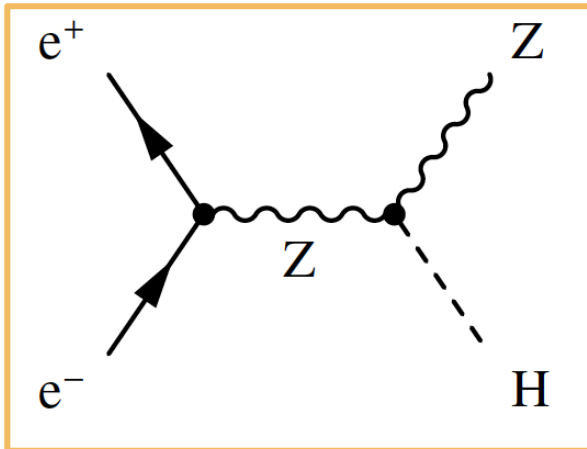




# Visible and Invisible Higgs Decays at 350 GeV

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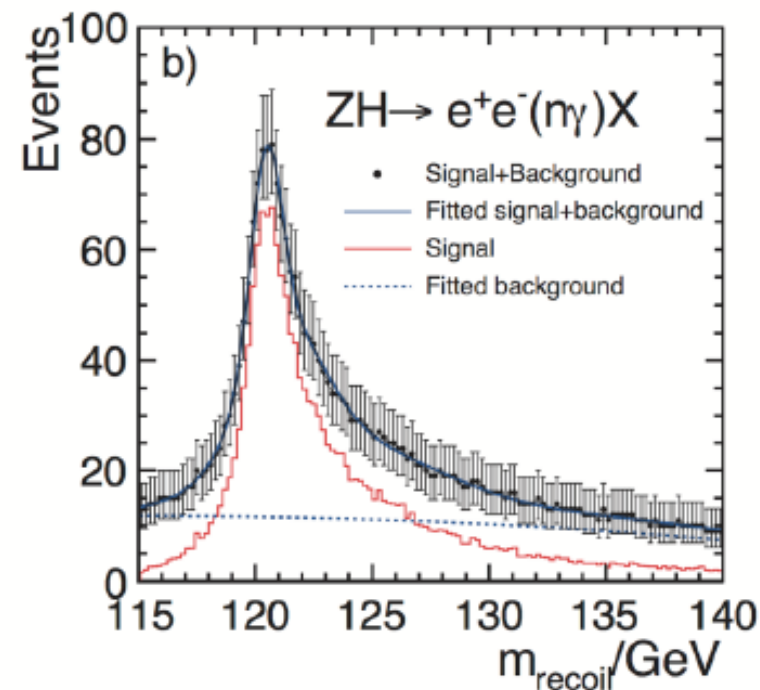
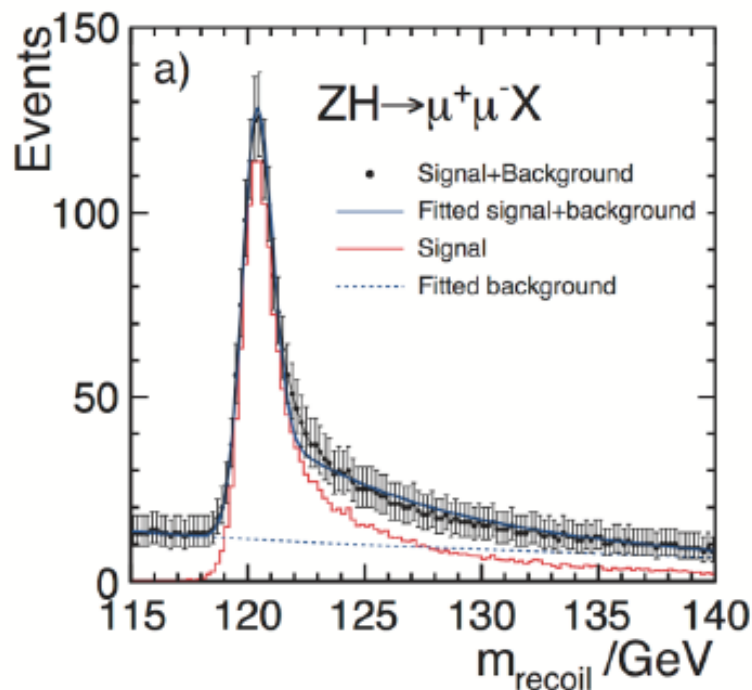




# Recall Recoil



- ★ Can identify Higgs-strahlung (ZH) events by tagging of Z decays and looking at recoil mass
- ★ So far - only performed (possible?) for  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow ee$



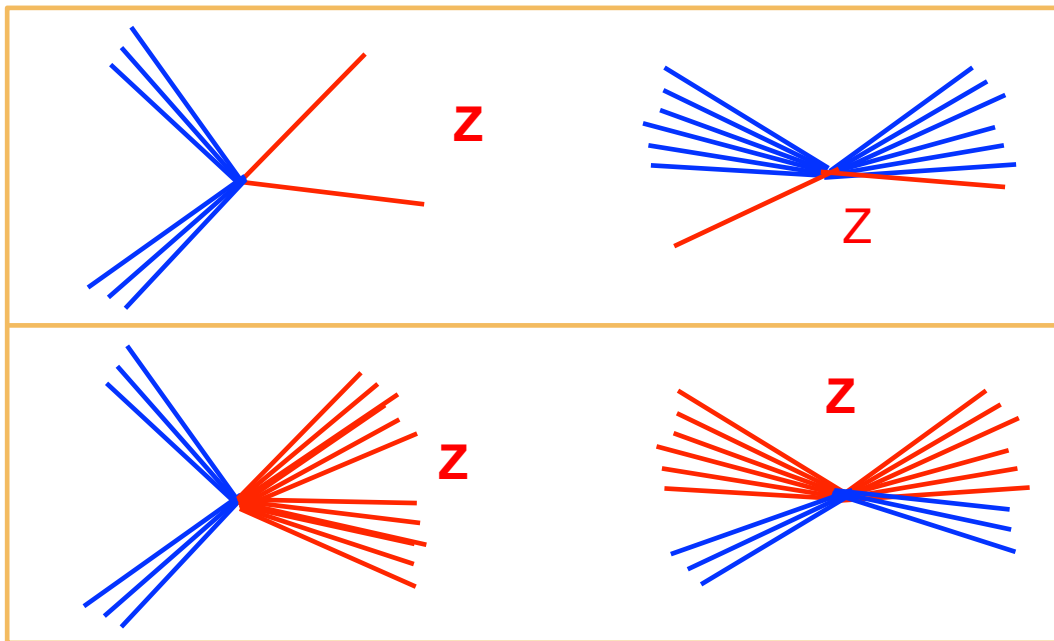
- ★ Selection independent of Higgs decay mode  
➡ model indep. measurement of ZH cross section



# Recoil Mass



- ★ To date, most studies only use  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow ee$
- ★ Statistical precision limited by leptonic BRs of 3.5 %
- ★ Here: extend to  $Z \rightarrow qq$  ~ 70 % of Z decays
- ★ Strategy – identify  $Z \rightarrow qq$  decays and look at recoil mass
- ★ Can never be truly model independent:
  - unlike for  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  can't cleanly separate H and Z decays



Muons “always” obvious

Here jet finding blurs separation between H and Z



Different efficiencies for different Higgs decays



# Study details



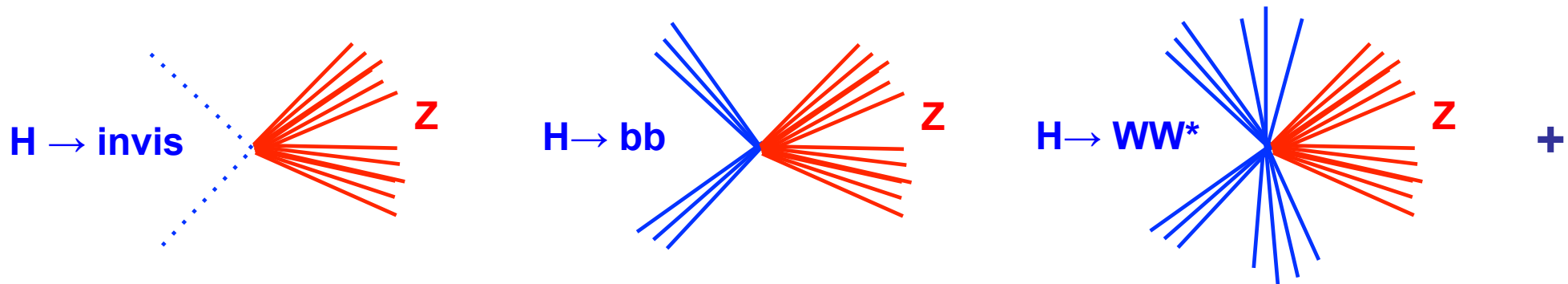
- ★ **CLIC 350 GeV beam spectrum**
- ★ **CLIC\_ILD detector model**
- ★ **Full simulation with overlaid background**
- ★ **500 fb<sup>-1</sup> unpolarised beams**
- ★ **Results from new optimised analysis**



# Analysis Strategy



- ★ Identify a two-jet system consistent with  $Z \rightarrow qq$
- ★ Higgs can either decay **invisibly** or **visibly**
- ★ For  $Z \rightarrow qq$  decays  $\Rightarrow$ 
  - **two jets** or **two jets + at least two other particles**



- ★ ZH signatures: **Z + nothing** or **Z + other visible particles**

First divide into candidate invisible and visible Higgs decays

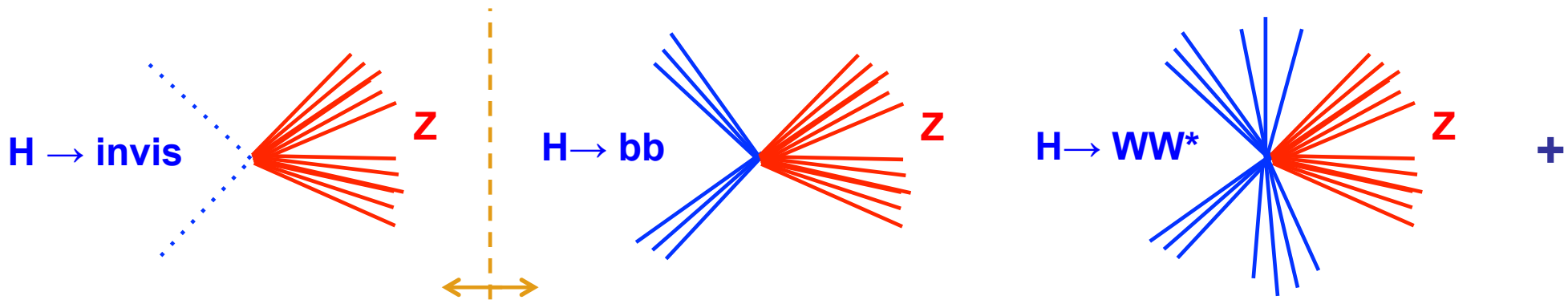
- ★ Aim for same selection efficiency for all Higgs decays  
 $\Rightarrow$  for model independence



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★ Force events into:

- 2-jets: invisible decays [Kelvin's talk]
- 3-, 4-, 5- and 6- "jet" topologies (R=1.5)

For each event will choose one topology

■ For each of these six topologies:

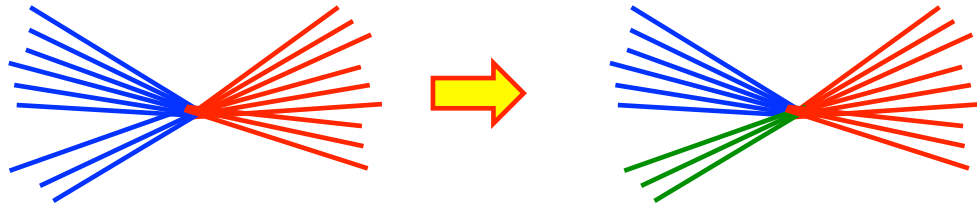
- find two jets (> 3 tracks) most consistent with Z
- determine mass of system recoiling against this "Z"



# 2 jets vs >2 jets



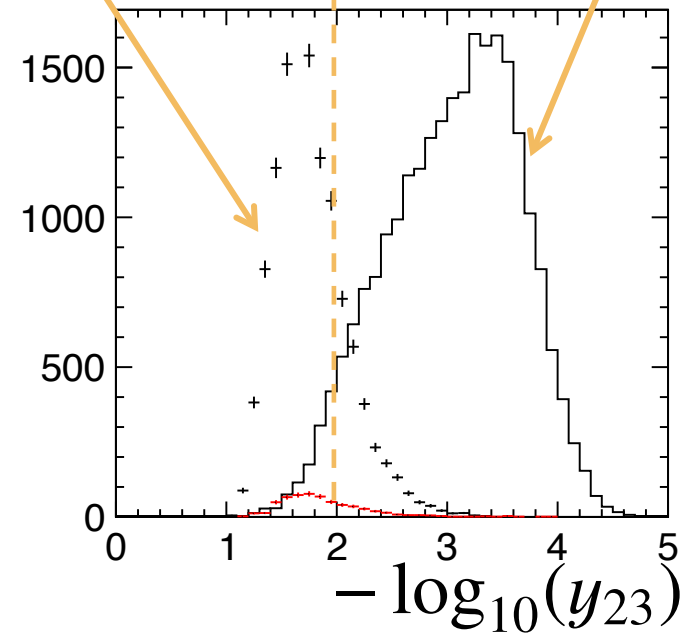
- ★ Require event to have two “jets” or > two “jets”
  - cut on  $y_{23}$ : the  $k_T$  value at which the event transitions from 2 jets to 3 jets



- ★ Also use  $y_{34}$ , the  $k_T$  value at which the event transitions from 3 jets to 4 jets

H → qq

Invisible decays



$$-\log_{10}(y_{23}) > 2$$
$$-\log_{10}(y_{34}) > 3$$

★ **\*All\*** events categorised in **one of** these two samples

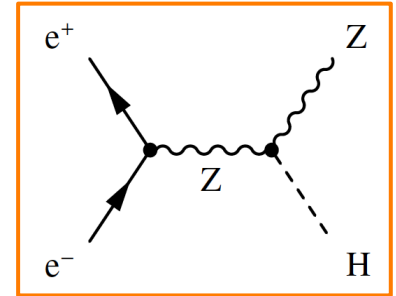


# Visible Higgs Decays



★ Have two jets from Z + Higgs decay products:

- ★  $H \rightarrow qq$  : 4 quarks = 4 “jets”
- ★  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  : 2 quarks + 2 photons = 4 “jets”
- ★  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  : 2 quarks + 2 taus = 4 “jets”
- ★  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$  : 2 quarks + 2 leptons = 4 “jets”
- ★  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow qq l\nu$  : 4 quarks + 1 lepton = 5 “jets”
- ★  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow qq qq$  : 6 “jets”
- ★  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow \nu\nu\nu\nu$  : 2 “jets” (invisible analysis)
- ★  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow \nu\nu qq$  : 2 quarks = 4 “jets”
- ★  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow qq ll$  : 4 quarks + 2 leptons = 6 “jets”
- ★  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow qq qq$  : 6 quarks = 6 “jets”



4, 5 or 6 ?

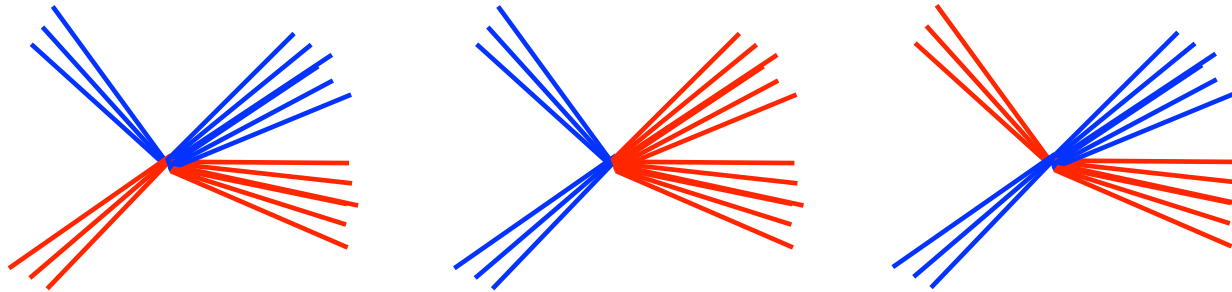




# Visible Higgs Decays



- ★ Force event into 4-, 5-, 6- jet topologies
- ★ For each, look at all jet combinations, e.g. for 4-jet topology



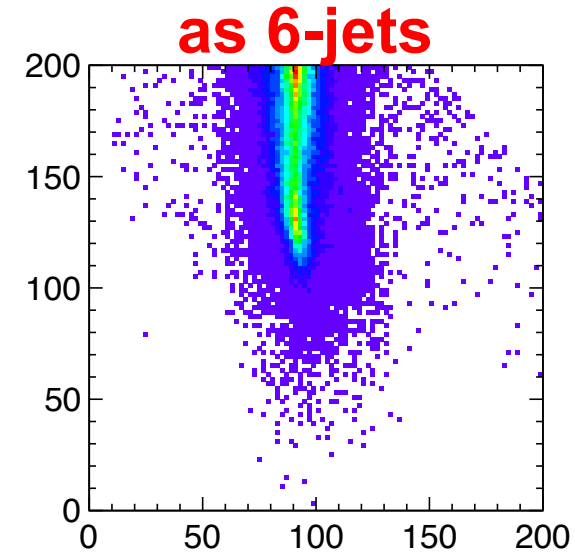
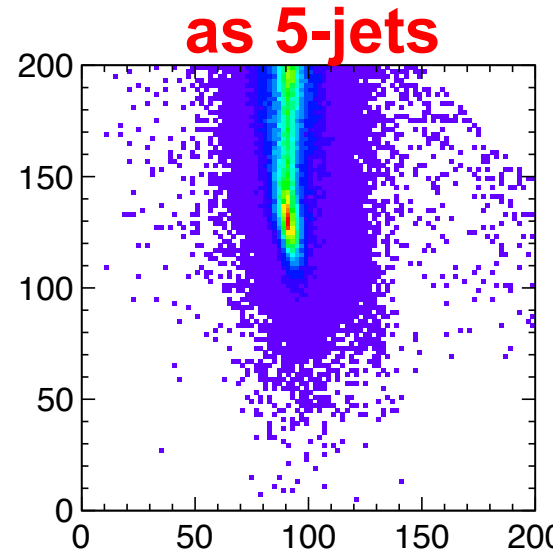
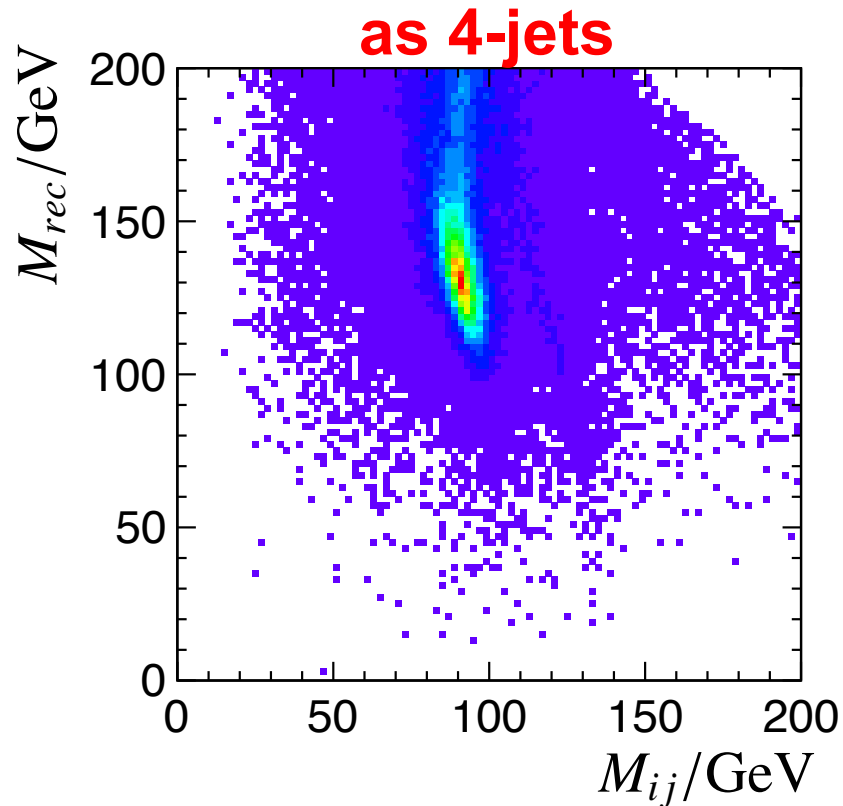
- ★ “Z” candidate = is the di-jet combination closest to Z mass from all three jet combinations, i.e. one per event
- ★ Repeat for 5- and 6-jet topologies...



# e.g. $H \rightarrow qq$



- ★ For example, consider genuine  $ZH \rightarrow qqqq$  decays
- ★ Plot mass of “candidate Z” vs. recoil mass for 4-, 5-, 6-jet hypotheses



★ Clear Z and H signature in 4-jet reconstruction...

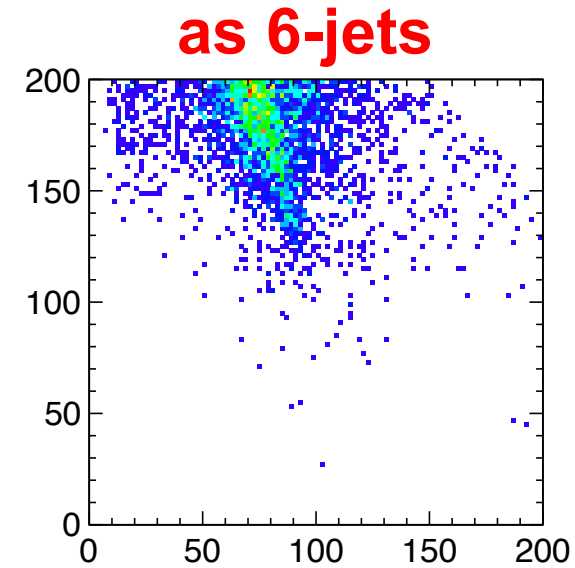
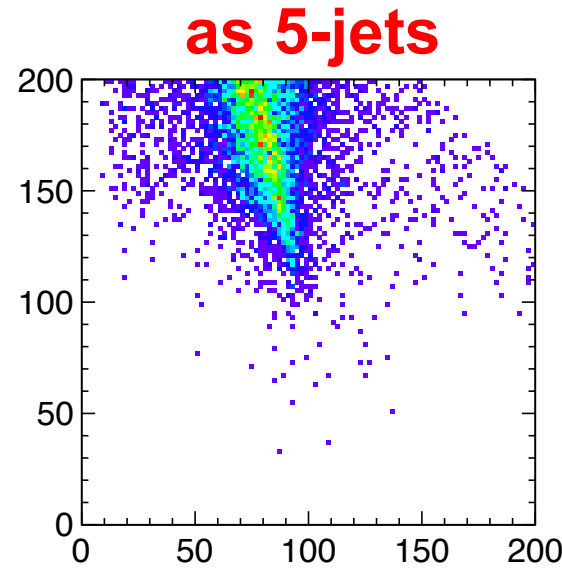
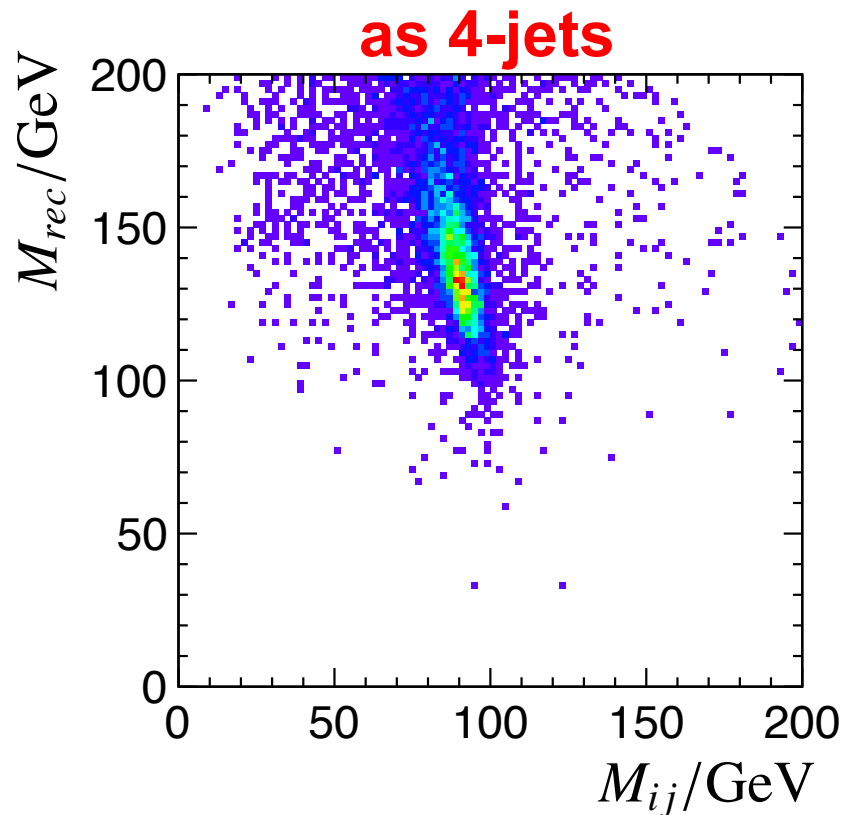




e.g.  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$



★ Similarly for  $ZH \rightarrow qq\tau\tau$



★ In 4-jet reconstruction – similar “peaks” to  $H \rightarrow qq$



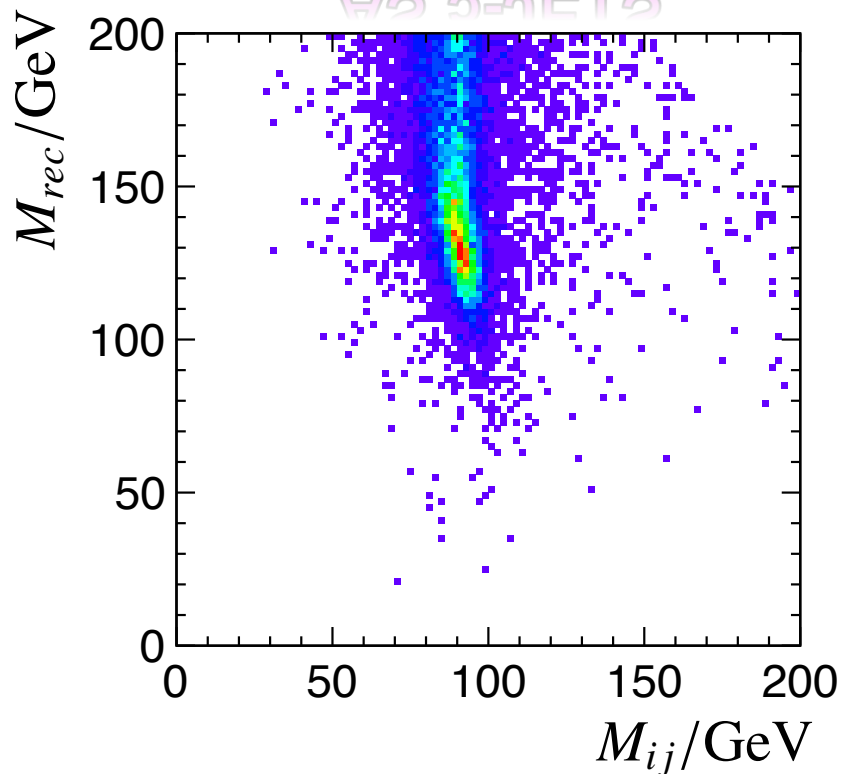


# e.g. $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow qqlv$

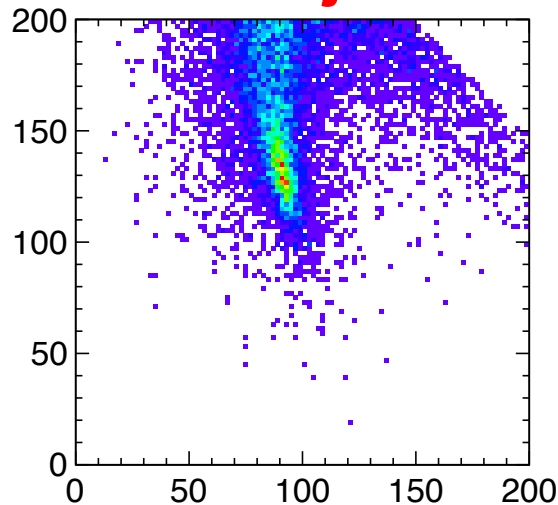


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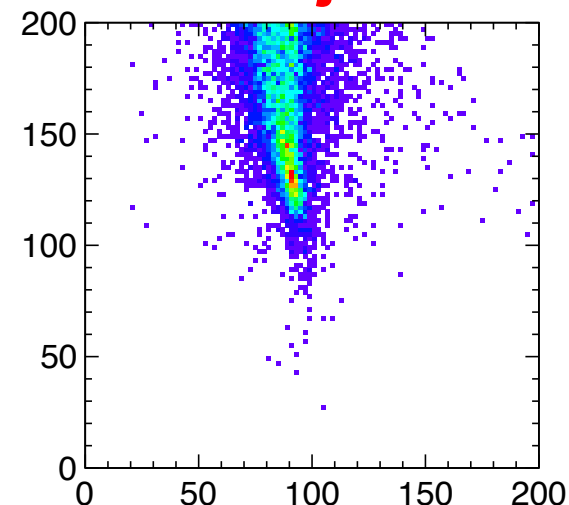
AS 5-JETS



as 4-jets



as 6-jets



★ In 5-jet reconstruction – similar “peaks” to  $H \rightarrow qq$





# Preselection



## ★ Preselection now greatly simplified

$$\begin{aligned}
 -\log_{10}(y_{23}) &> 2 \\
 -\log_{10}(y_{34}) &> 3
 \end{aligned}$$

Not two-jet like

$$\begin{aligned}
 70 \text{ GeV} &< m_{q\bar{q}} < 130 \text{ GeV} \\
 80 \text{ GeV} &< m_{\text{recoil}} < 200 \text{ GeV}
 \end{aligned}$$

Very loose mass cuts

## ★ Targeted background cuts for:

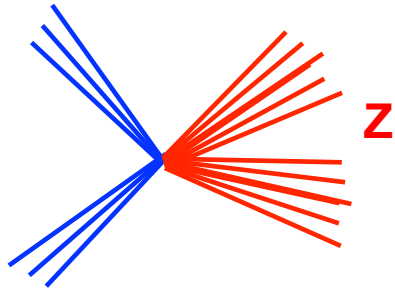
$$\begin{aligned}
 q\bar{q} & \quad W^+W^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}\ell\nu \\
 & \quad W^+W^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q} \\
 & \quad ZZ \rightarrow q\bar{q}\ell^+\ell^- \\
 ZZ & \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}
 \end{aligned}$$

**New:**

- ★ Simplified
- ★ Optimised

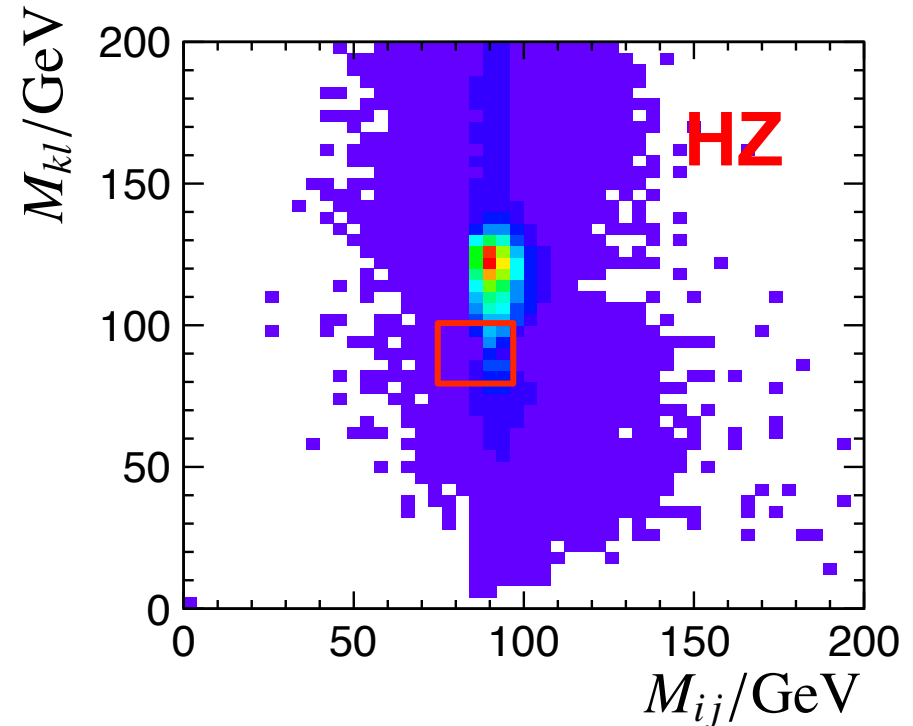
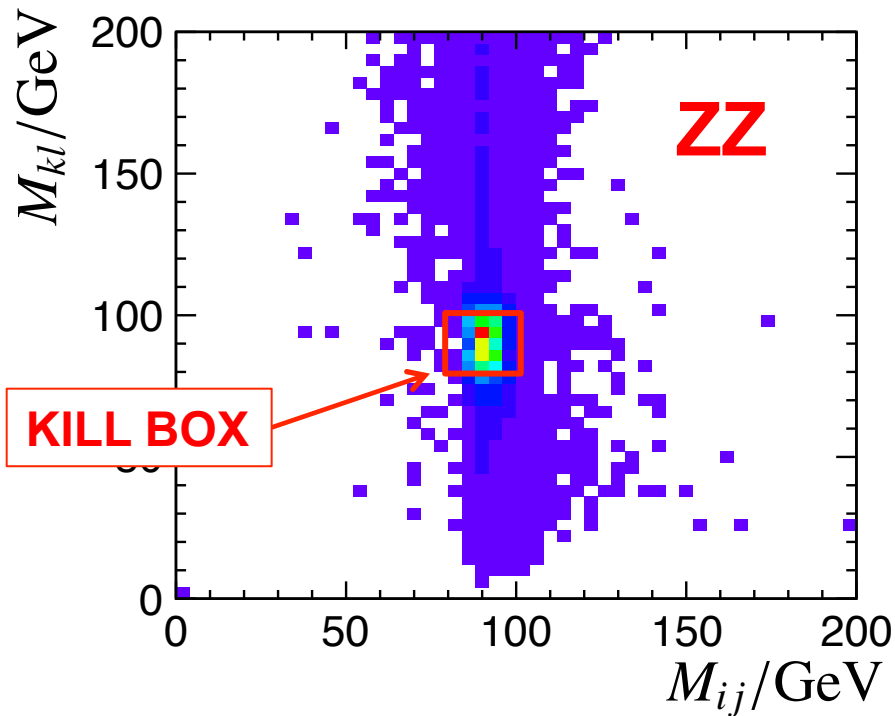


# e.g. $ZZ \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$



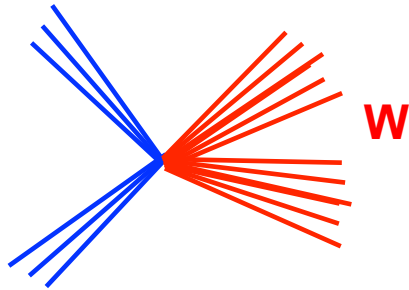
- Assume each event is  $ZZ \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$
- Therefore: force into 4 jets
- Choose jet pairing (12)(34), (13)(24) or (14)(23) with single jet-pair mass closest to Z mass

★ Cut on reconstructed di-jet masses (not recoil mass)

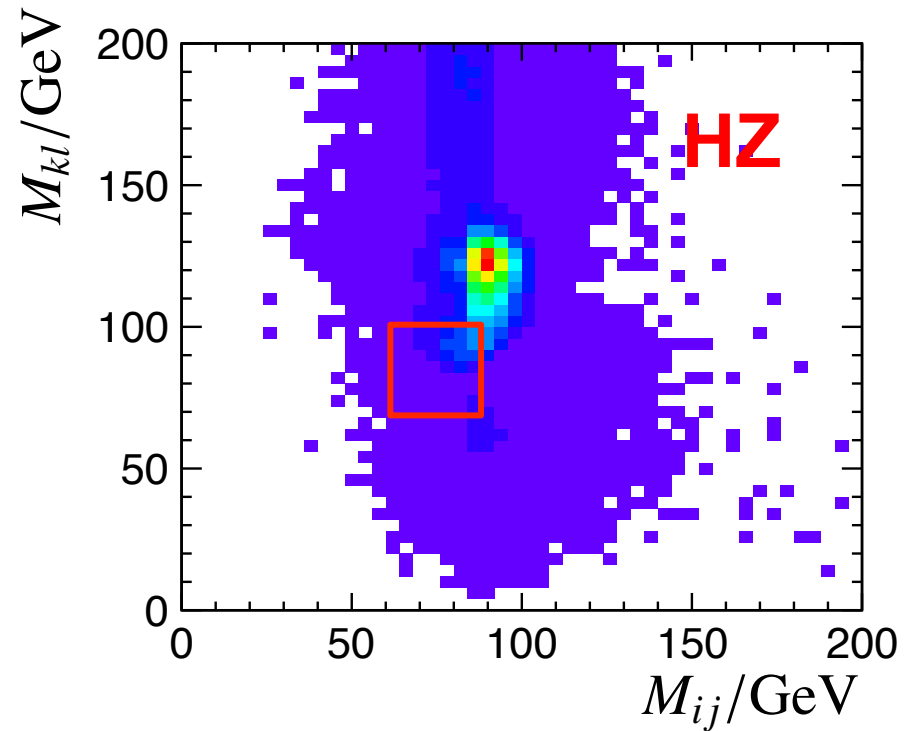
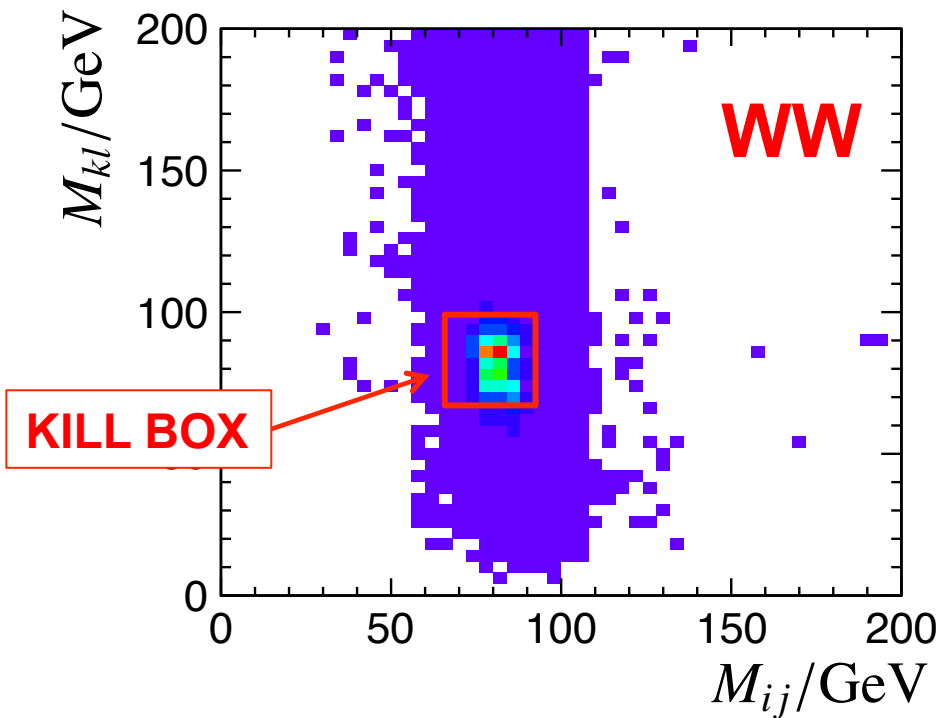




# e.g. $WW \rightarrow qqqq$

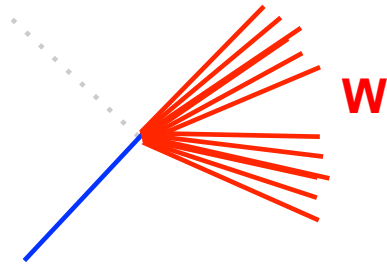


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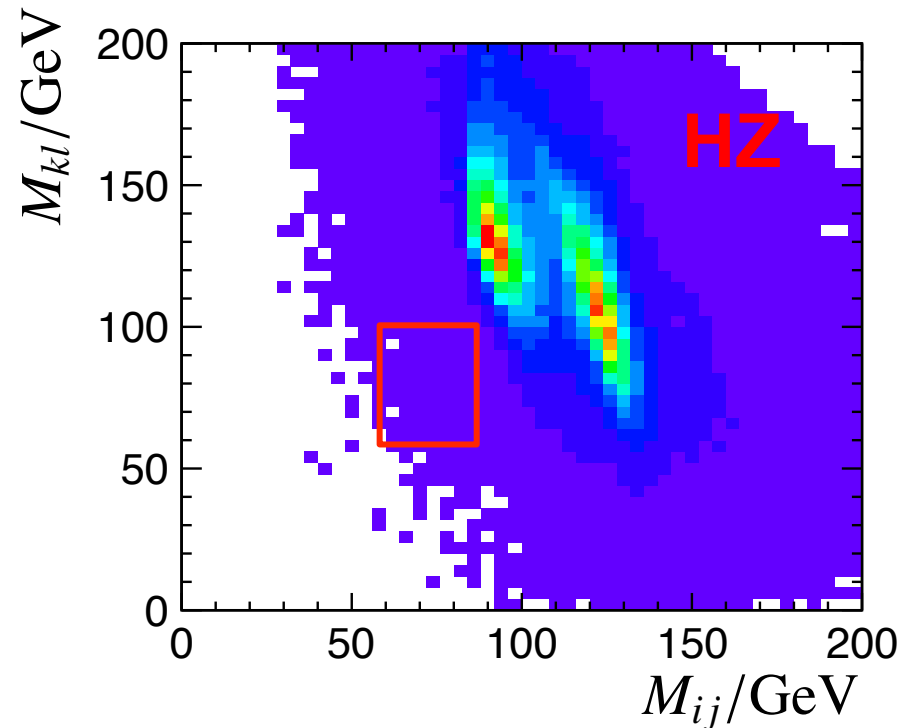
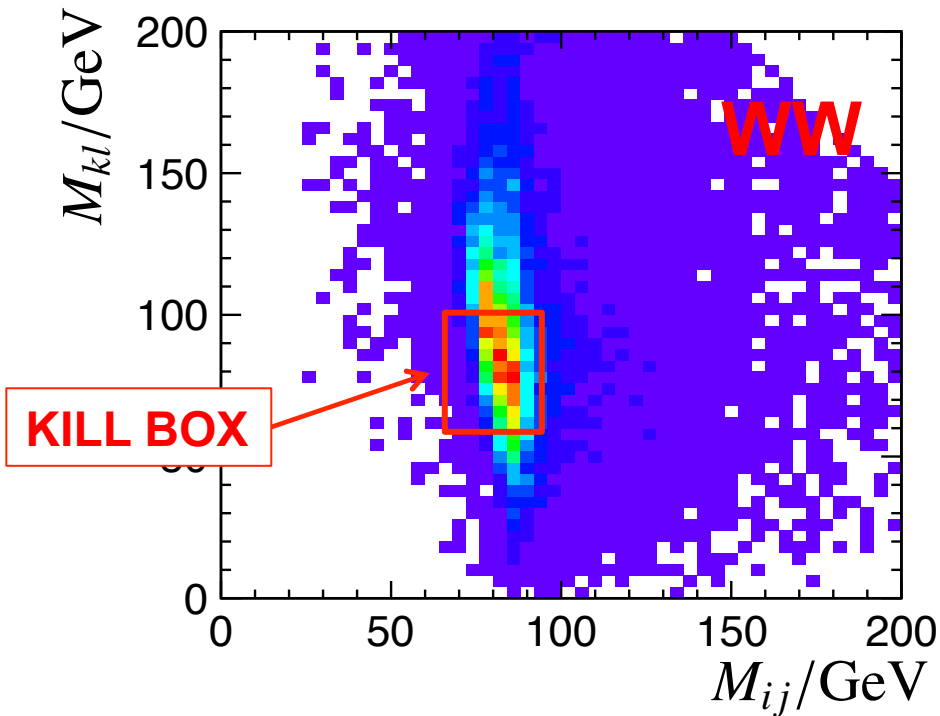




# e.g. $WW \rightarrow qq\ell\nu$



- Assume event is  $WW \rightarrow qq\ell\nu$
- Therefore: force into 3 jets
- Choose jet pairing (12) (13) (23) closest to W mass, only consider jets with  $>2$  track







# Now treat as $ZH \rightarrow qq X$



## 4, 5, or 6 jets?

- ★ Find that it rarely helps going from 5  $\rightarrow$  6: even if a 6-jet final state, provided reconstruct two “hard” jets from Z decay OK

## So choose between 4 or 5 jet topology:

- ★ Default is to treat as 4-jets
- ★ Reconstruct as 5-jets only if:
  - $-\log_{10}(y_{45}) < 3.5$  **AND**
  - 5-jet reconstruction gives “better” Z mass and “better” Higgs recoil mass  
“better” = closer to true masses

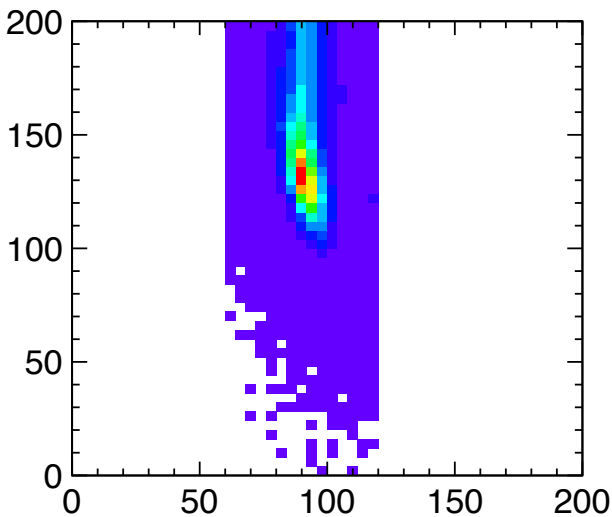


# Signal $m_{qq}$ vs $m_{rec}$

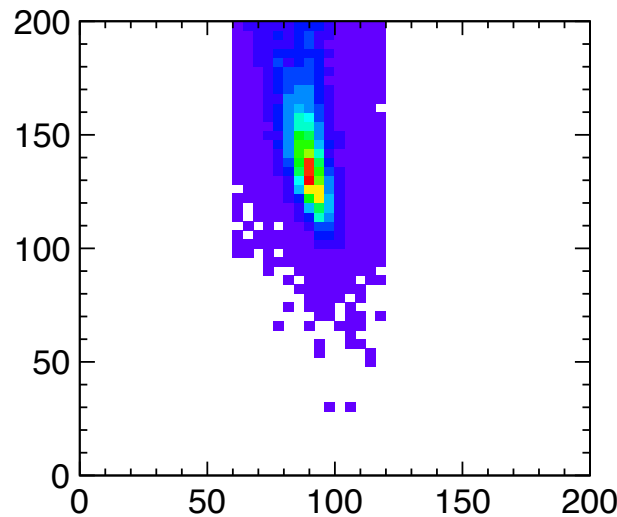


$H \rightarrow qq$

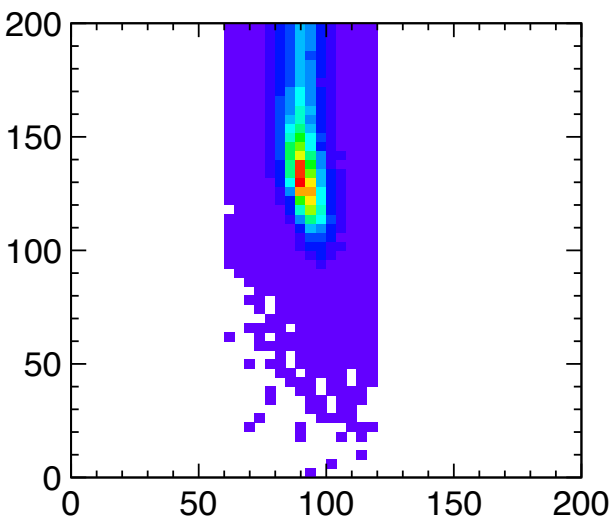
$M_{rec}/\text{GeV}$



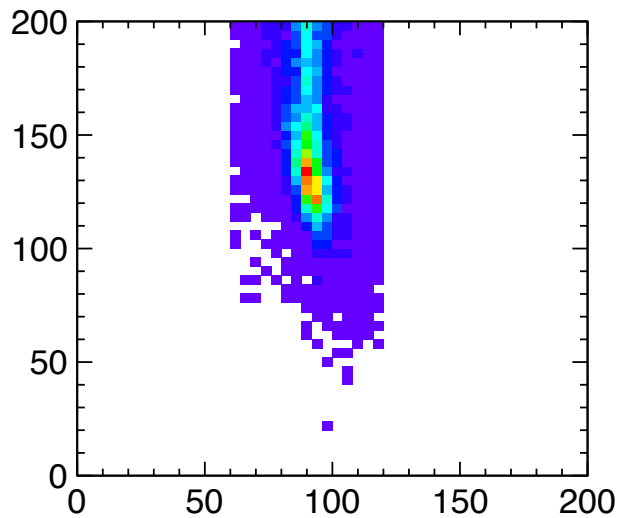
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$



$H \rightarrow WW^*$



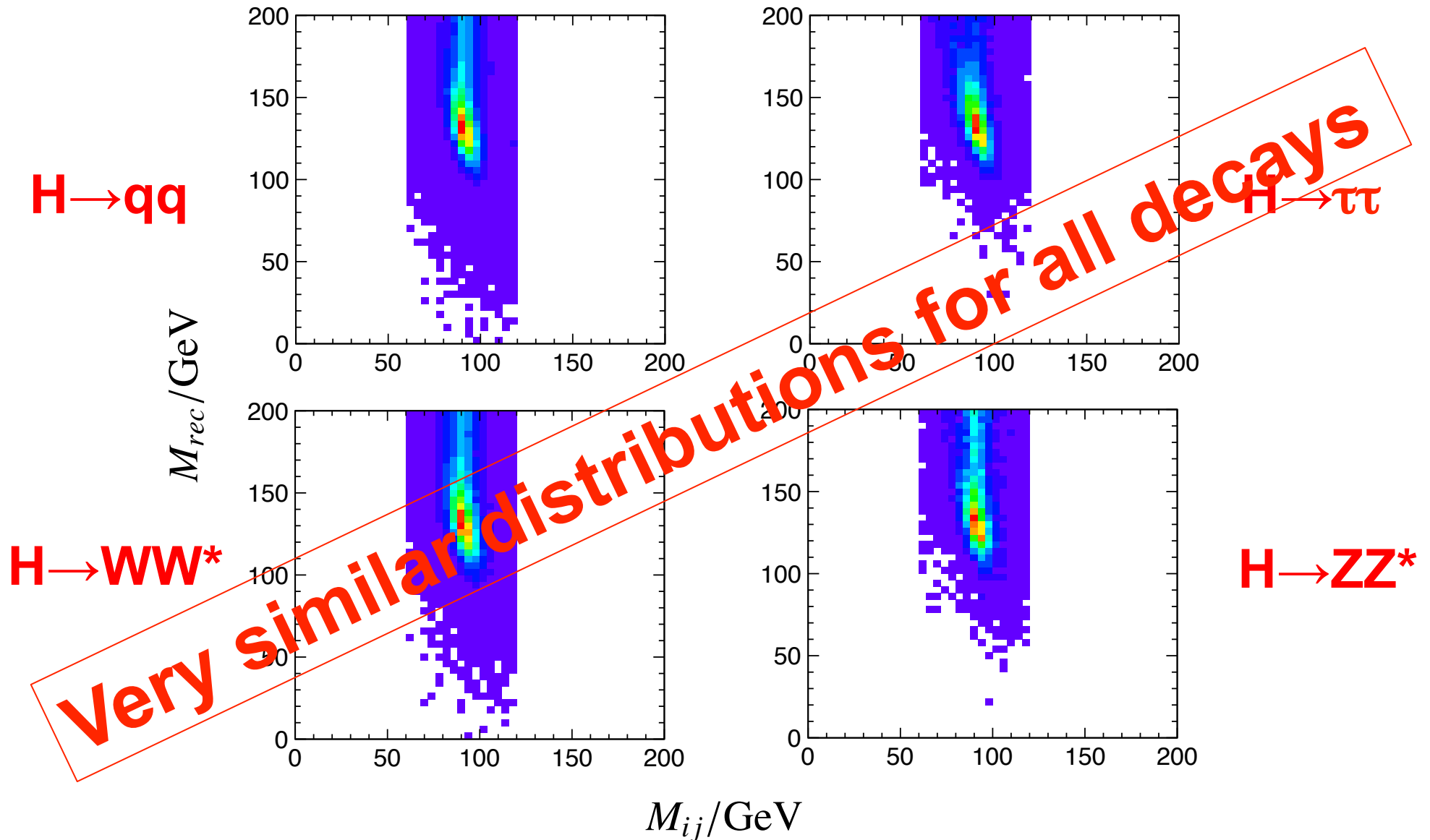
$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$



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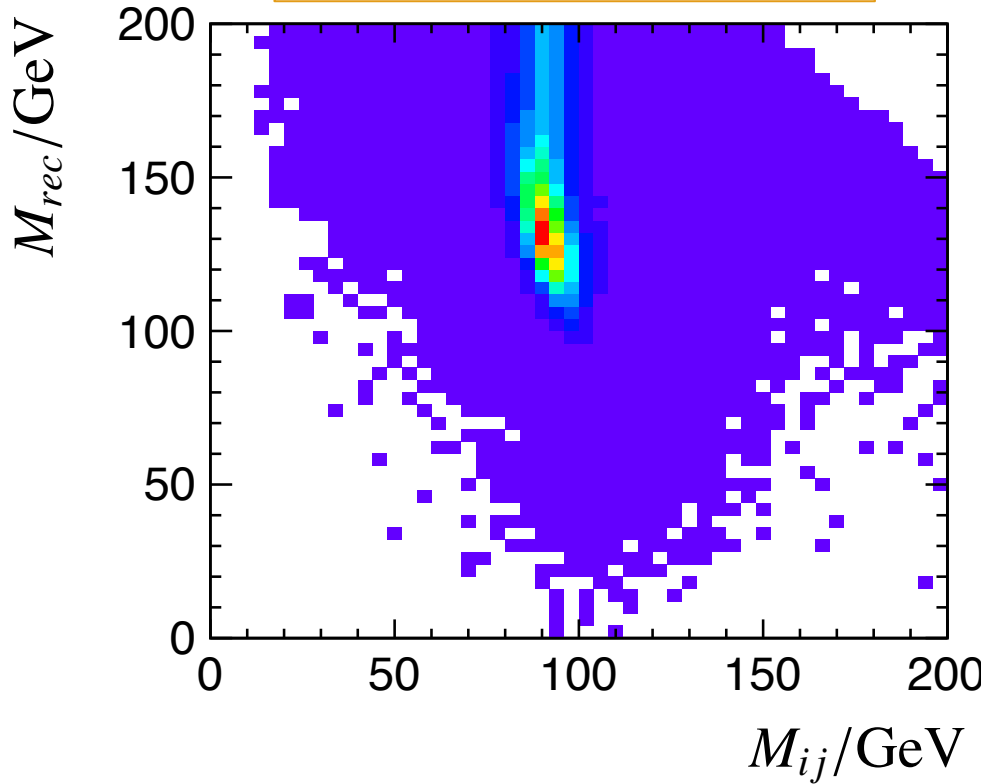




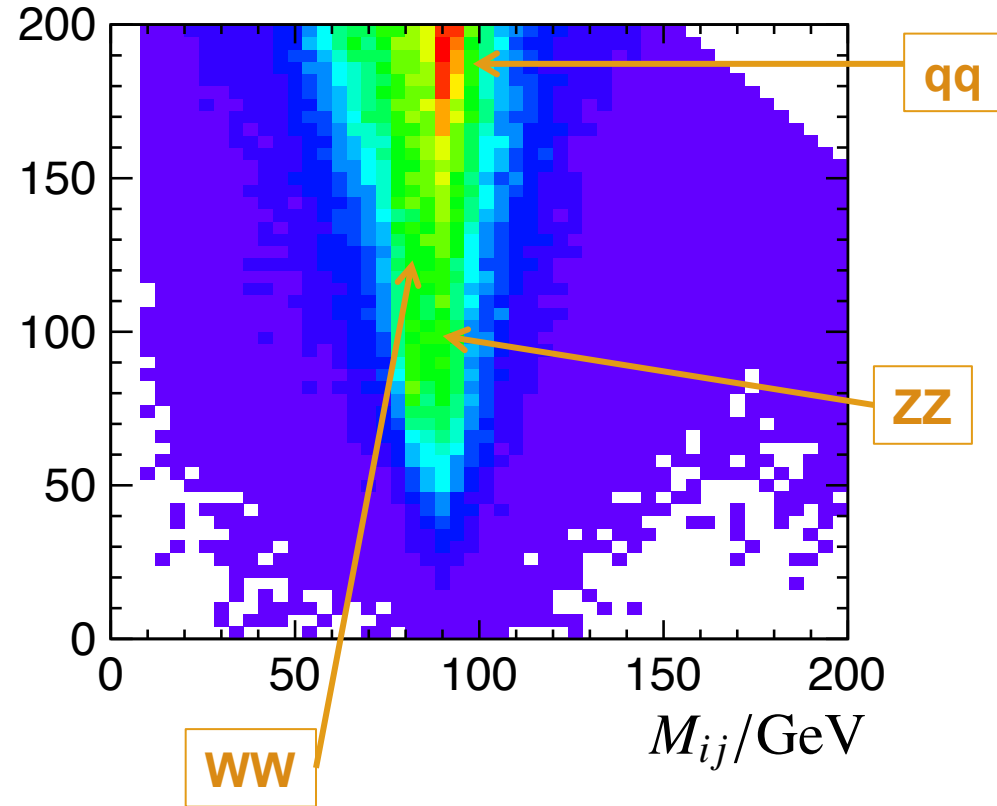
# Signal vs Background



HZ SIGNAL all decays

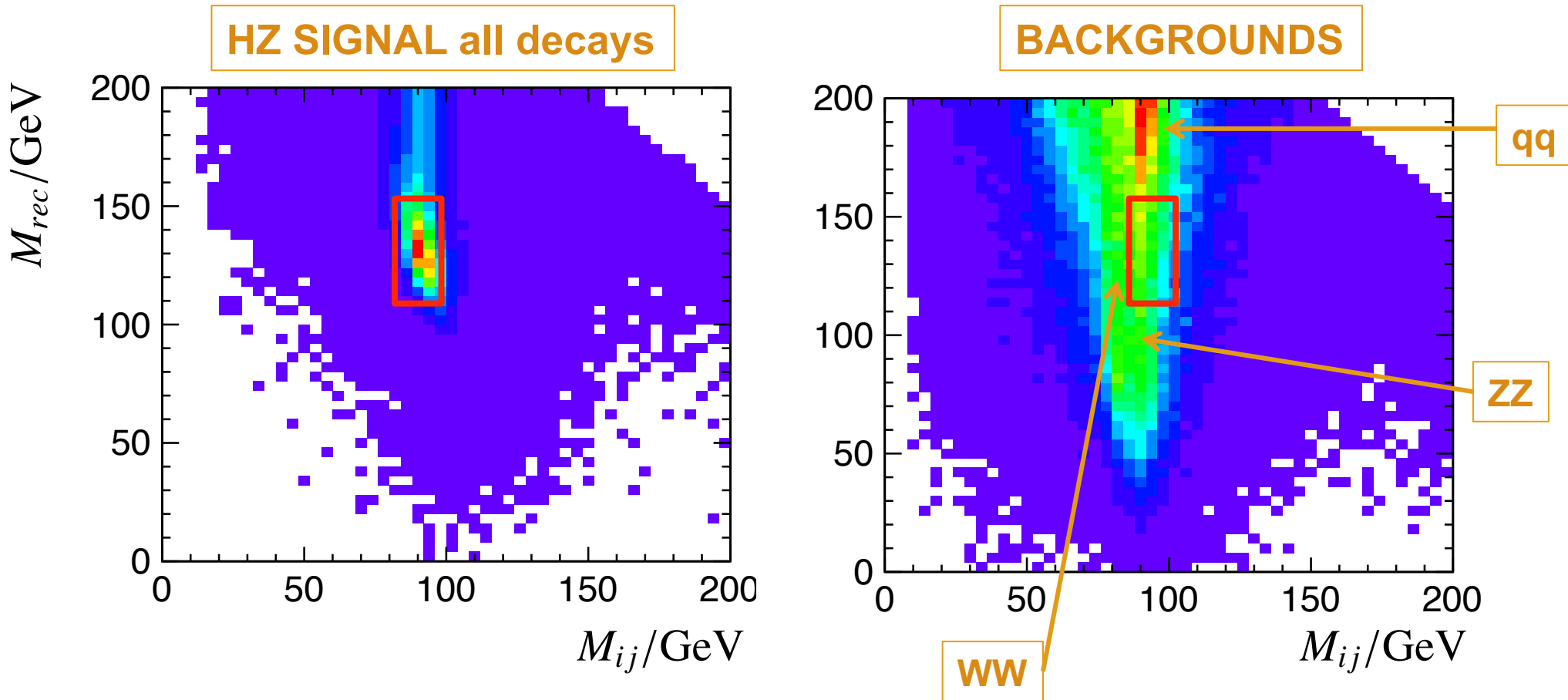


BACKGROUNDS





# Signal vs Background



★ Signal region clearly separated from background



# That's about it !



$$|\cos \theta_{\text{jet}}^{1,2}| < 0.95$$

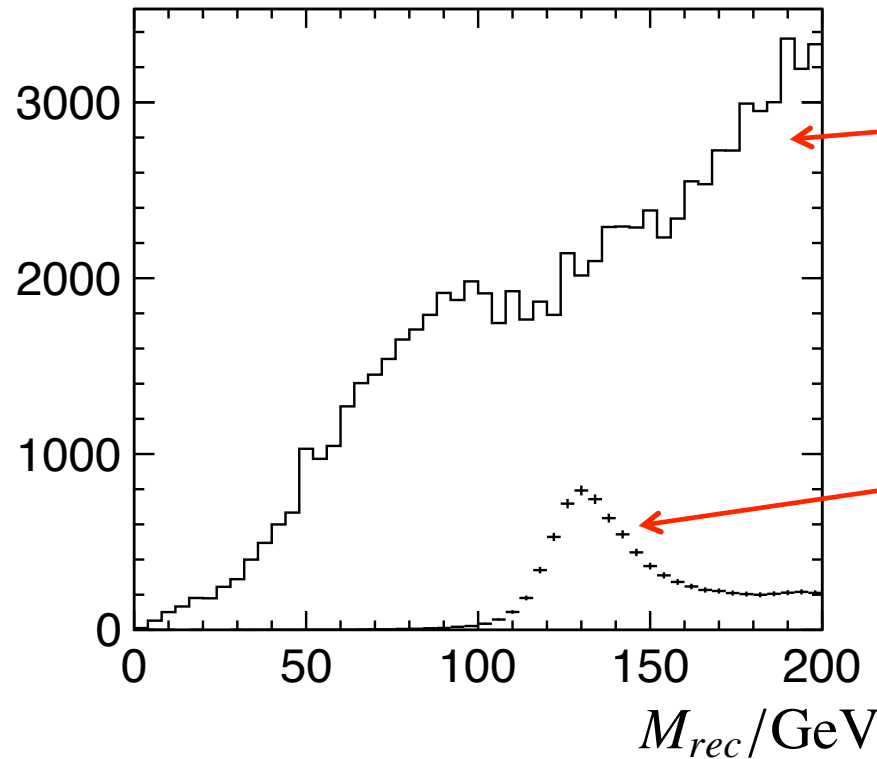
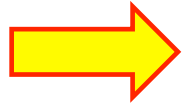
$$84 \text{ GeV} < m_{\text{qq}} < 108 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|\cos \theta_Z| < 0.7$$

Both jets well measured (hopefully)

Looks like Z

Z produced centrally



ZZ, WW and qq

Note more qq MC required

HZ

Clear Higgs “peak”: just a projection, clearer in 2D



# Relative Likelihood



★ Use relative likelihood selection

★ Input variables

■  $m_{qq}$  vs.  $m_{rec}$

■  $|\cos \theta_Z|$

■  $|\cos \theta_q^*|$

Calculate absolute likelihood for given event type

$$L = P(m_{qq}, m_{rec}) \times P(|\cos \theta_Z|) \times P(|\cos \theta_q^*|)$$

**NOTE: 2D mass distribution includes main correlations**

★ Absolute likelihoods calculated for two main event types:

★ Combined into relative likelihood

$$\mathcal{L}(\text{HZ}) = \frac{L(\text{HZ})}{L(\text{HZ}) + L(\text{back})}$$



# Final(?) Results



Process	$\sigma$ /fb	$\epsilon_{\text{presel}}$	$\epsilon_{\mathcal{L}>0.70}$	$N_{\mathcal{L}>0.70}$
$q\bar{q}$	25180	0.5 %	<0.1 %	6211
$q\bar{q}lv$	5914	6.4 %	0.1 %	3895
$q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$	5847	4.2 %	0.4 %	10818
$q\bar{q}ll$	1704	1.2 %	0.1 %	1218
$q\bar{q}v\bar{v}$	325	0.6 %	<0.1 %	35
$H\nu_e\bar{\nu}_e$		- %		
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HZ	93.4	44.0 %	20.3 %	9493
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$H \rightarrow \text{invis.}$		0.6 %	<0.1 %	—
$H \rightarrow q\bar{q}/gg$		43.5 %	20.6 %	6211
$H \rightarrow WW^*$		44.7 %	19.5 %	2240
$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$		40.0 %	18.1 %	254
$H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$		47.6 %	21.4 %	738
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$		42.8 %	22.1 %	32
$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$		41.8 %	17.6 %	17
$H \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$		39.5 %	20.6 %	3

★ For optimal cut

- signal ~9.5k events
- background ~ 19k events

15 % improvement  
c.f. previous analysis

Efficiencies same  
to ~10 % !!!



almost model  
independent





# Model Independence



- ★ Combining visible + invisible analysis: wanted M.I.
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H → qq̄/gg	20.6 %	<0.1 %	20.6 %
H → WW*	19.5 %	<0.1 %	19.8 %
H → ZZ*	18.1 %	0.9 %	19.0 %
H → τ <sup>+</sup> τ <sup>-</sup>	21.4 %	0.1 %	21.5 %
H → γγ	22.1 %	<0.1 %	22.1 %
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H → WW* → lvlv	22.0 %	0.3 %	22.3 %
H → WW* → lvτν	16.7 %	0.3 %	17.0 %
H → WW* → τντν	12.2 %	1.3 %	13.6 %

Very similar efficiencies

Look at wide range of WW topologies



# Combined Sensitivity



This talk

$$\Delta \left( \sigma_{\text{HZ}} \frac{\Gamma_{\text{vis}}}{\Gamma} \right) = \pm 1.7 \%$$

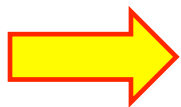
Kelvin's talk

$$\Delta \left( \sigma_{\text{HZ}} \frac{\Gamma_{\text{invis}}}{\Gamma} \right) = \pm 0.6 \%$$

  $\Delta (\sigma_{\text{HZ}}) = \pm 1.8 \%$

(CLIC beam spectrum,  $500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 350 GeV, no polarisation)

★ **Combined with leptonic recoil mass**

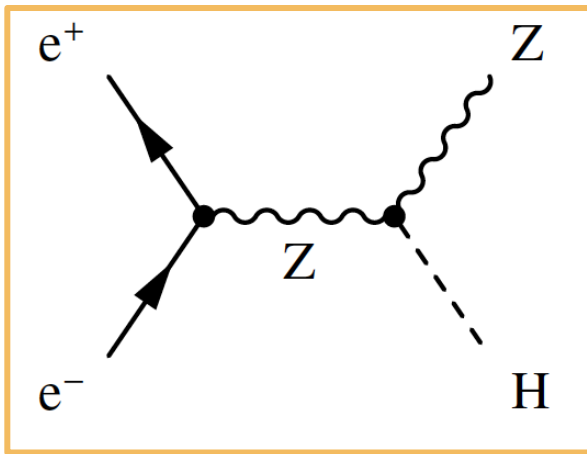


$$\Delta (g_{\text{HZZ}}) \approx \pm 0.8 \%$$

“almost model independent”



# Summary



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- ★ Results now “final” ?
- ★ 15 % improvement – better optimised cuts
- ★ Need to think about how to use results
  - for combined fit
  - systematics from model dependence