

# Higgs decaying into bosons

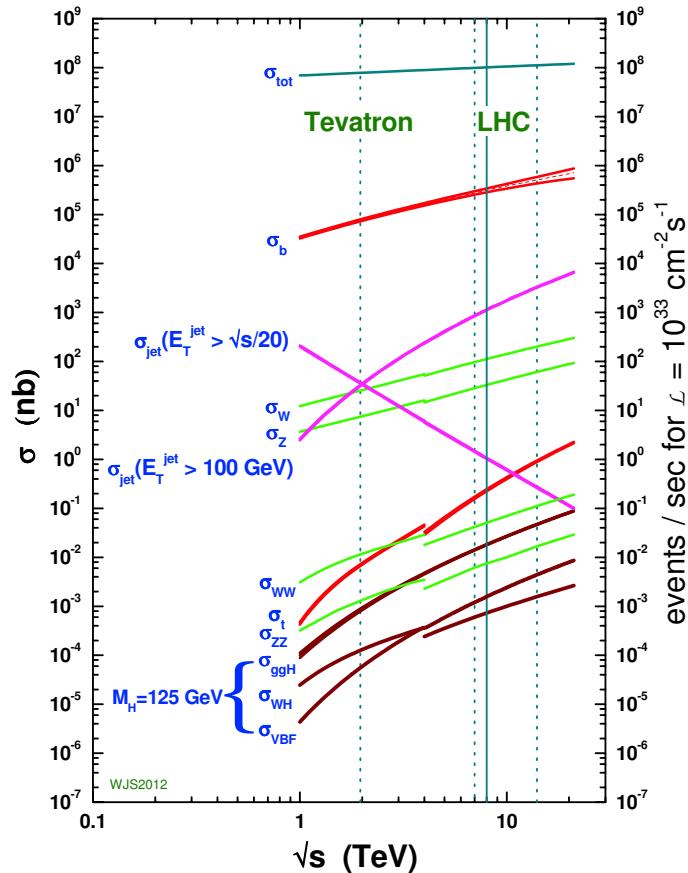
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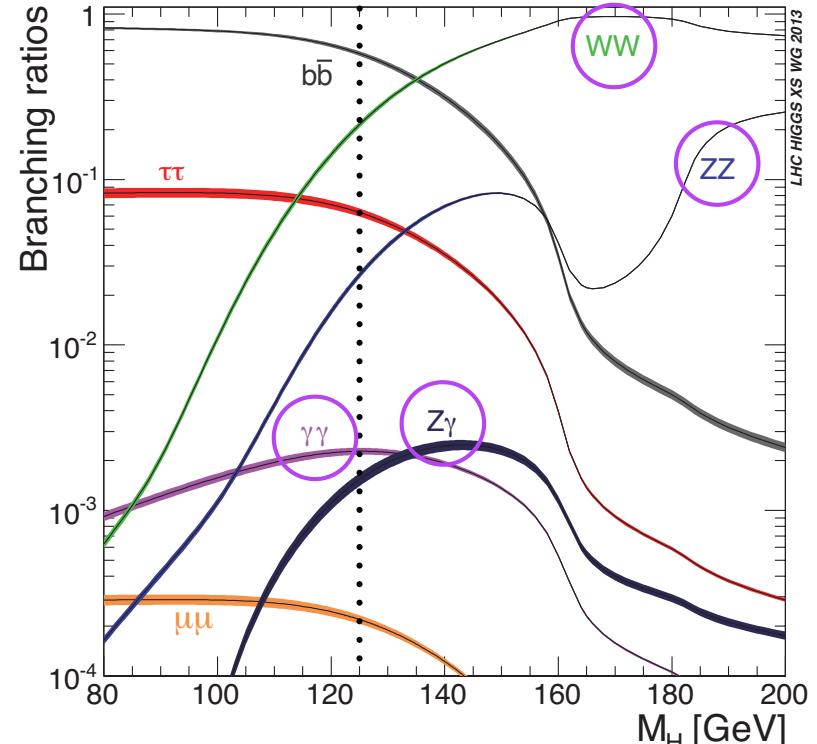
# Bosonic Higgs Decays

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## proton - (anti)proton cross sections



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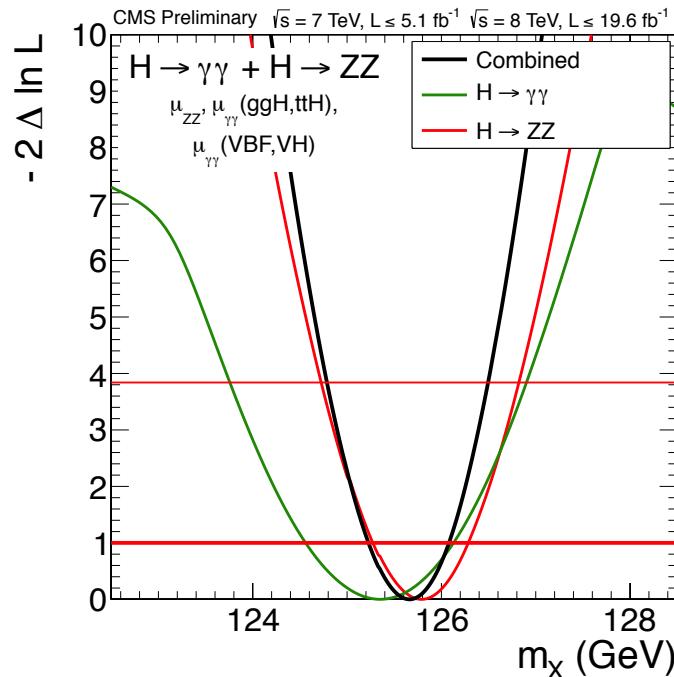
Higgs analyses are huge experimental challenges!

Bosonic decays ( $WW, ZZ, \gamma\gamma, Z\gamma$ ) include the cleanest channels to search for and study the SM Higgs boson.

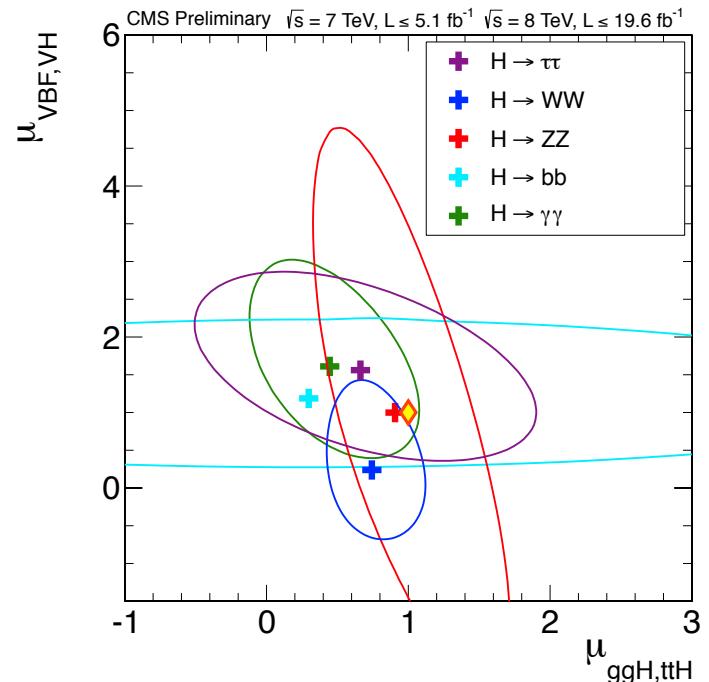
# Talk Outline

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$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$  channel drives mass measurement



$H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 2l2v$  most sensitive for signal strength



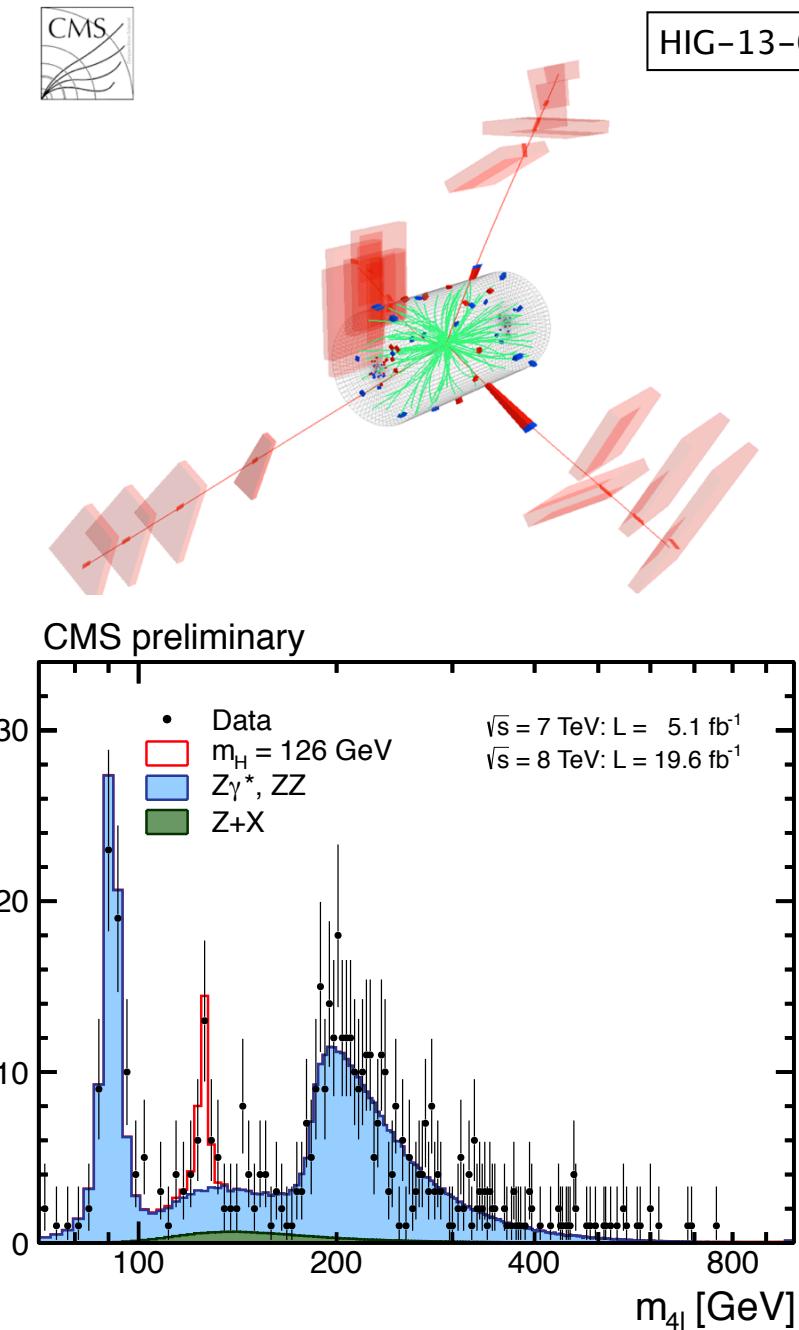
No new results and time is short:  
my choice is to focus on  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$  and  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 2l2v$  analyses.

Only highlights from other analyses.

# H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l: Analysis Summary

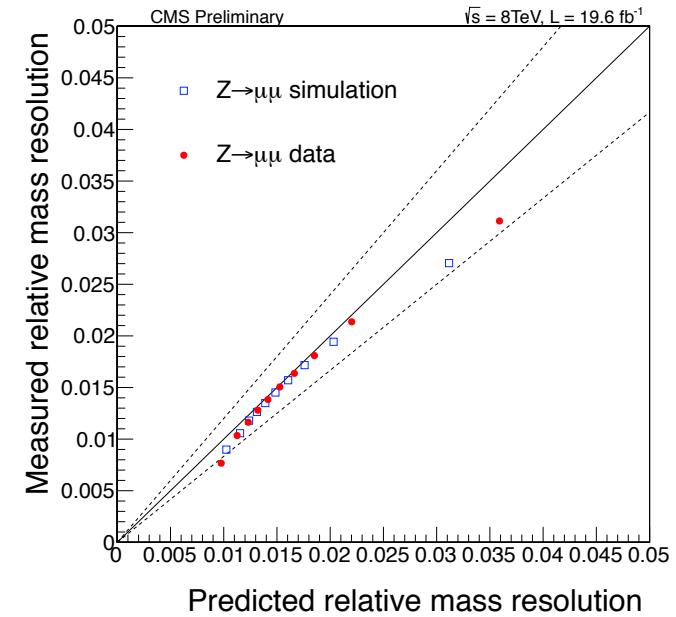
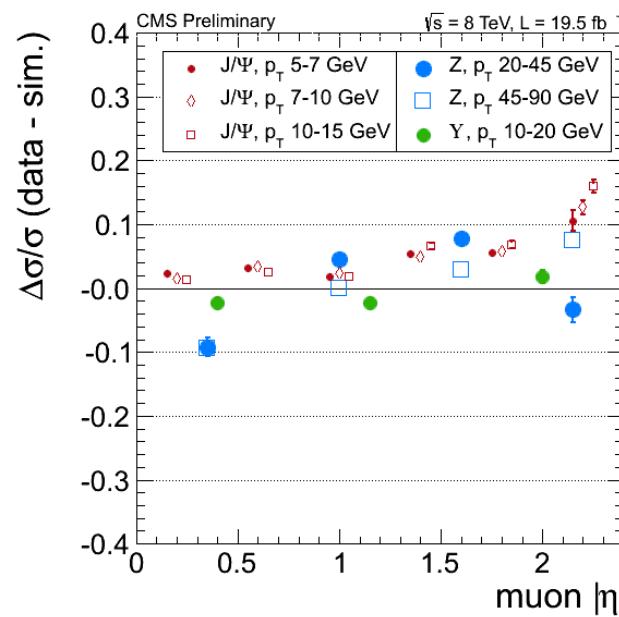
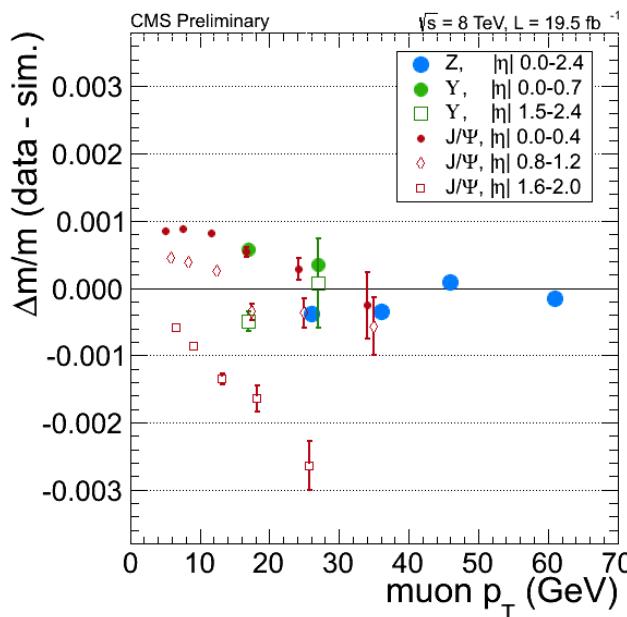
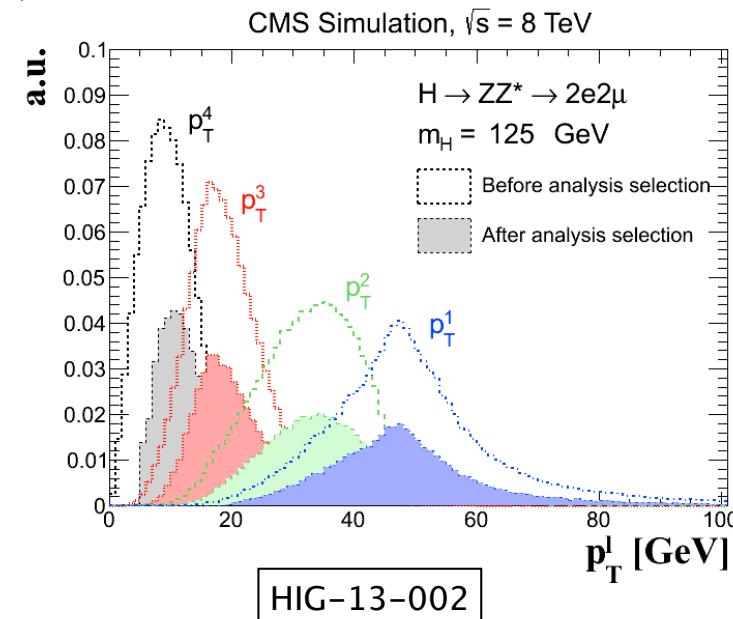
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- Golden channel, clean experimental signature
  - Narrow peak in the 4l mass spectrum on top of a flat and small bkg
  - But small signal yield
- Analysis performed in two categories
  - untagged:  $\leq 1$  jets
  - tagged:  $\geq 2$  jets ( $p_T > 30$ )
    - ~20% of signal events are VBF ones
    - no evidence for VBF signal events yet
- Signal model:
  - Empirical parametric shape from simulation
  - Corrected for data/simulation scale
- Backgrounds:
  - irreducible from simulation
    - empirical parametric shape
  - instrumental from data
    - two methods: from OS and SS events, ~40% uncert.
- Key features:
  - Lepton reconstruction
  - Z $\gamma^*$  $\rightarrow$ 4l
  - Kinematic discriminants



# H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l: Lepton Reconstruction

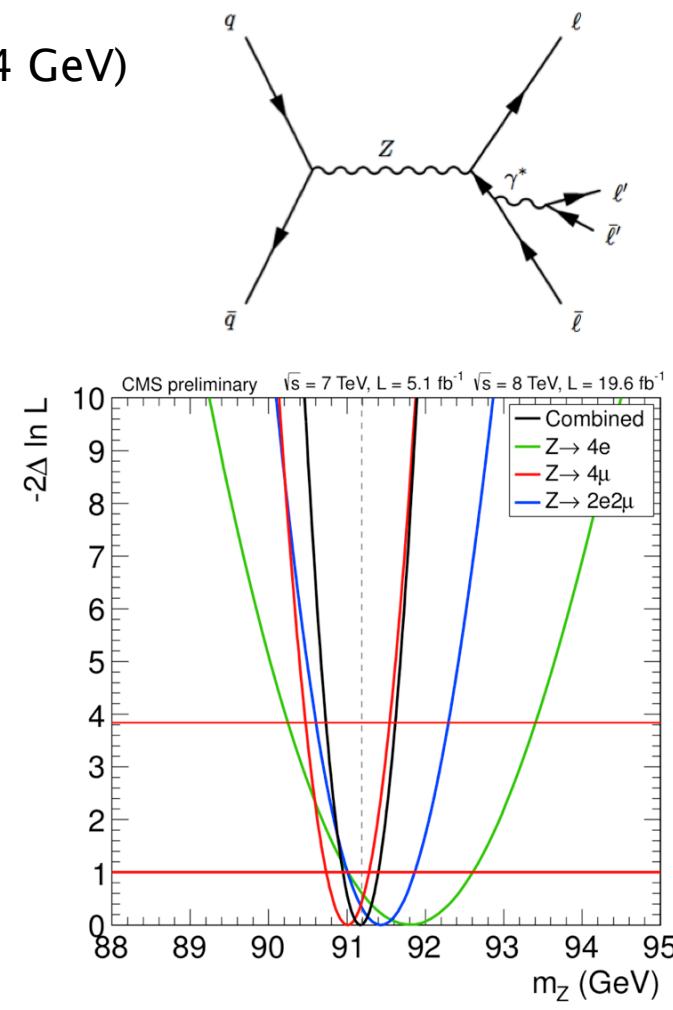
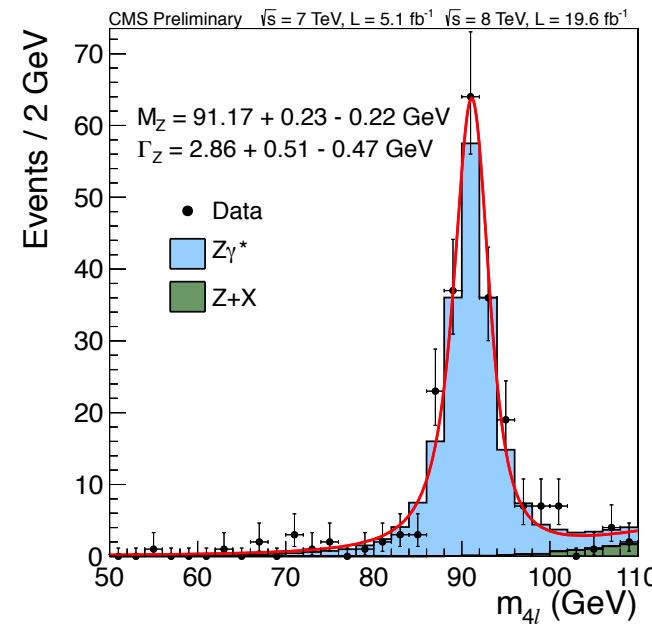
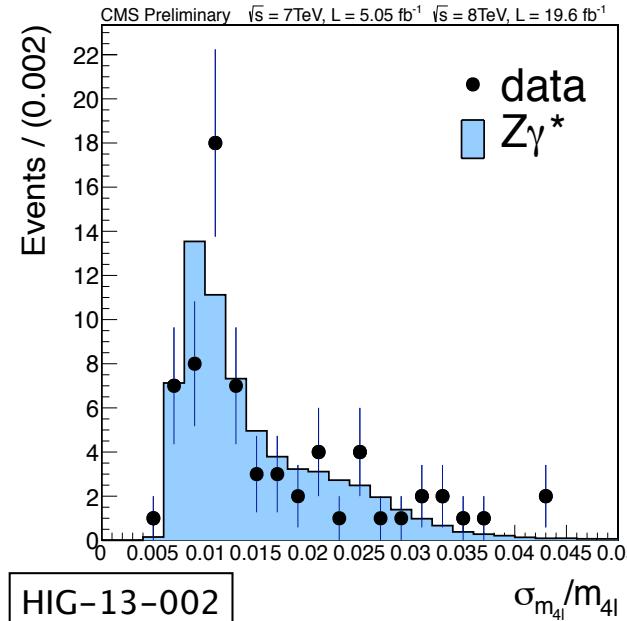
- Off-shell Z in Higgs decay ( $40 < m_{Z_1} < 120$ ,  $12 < m_{Z_2} < 120$  GeV)
- Need high efficiency down to  $p_T = 5$  (7) GeV for  $\mu$  (el)
  - measured with tag-and-probe on Z, MC corrected accordingly
- Final state radiation recovery using close-by photons
  - 1-3% efficiency gain
- Optimized lepton scale and resolution
  - narrow peak and better mass measurement
  - validation on resonances show data-MC differences of the order of 0.1% for scale and 20% for resolution
- Closure test on Z events, comparing computed resolution from lepton uncertainties and from mass peak fit
  - 10 categories with different expected mass resolution
  - assign 20% systematic error



# H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l: Z $\gamma^*$ $\rightarrow$ 4l Candle

- How well can we measure the properties of a resonance decaying into 4l?
- Z $\gamma^*\rightarrow$ 4l represents a natural candle for validating H $\rightarrow$ ZZ analysis features
- Verify that the relative uncertainty on  $m_{4l}$  matches expectations
- Perform the mass measurement on Z $\gamma^*$  with identical procedure as for the new boson mass measurement
  - Relaxed phase space due to the limited statistics ( $m_{Z_2} > 4$  GeV)
- Measured  $m_{4l} = 91.17 \pm 0.22$  GeV
  - PDG value of Z boson mass of 91.188 GeV

80 <  $m_{4l}$  < 100 GeV

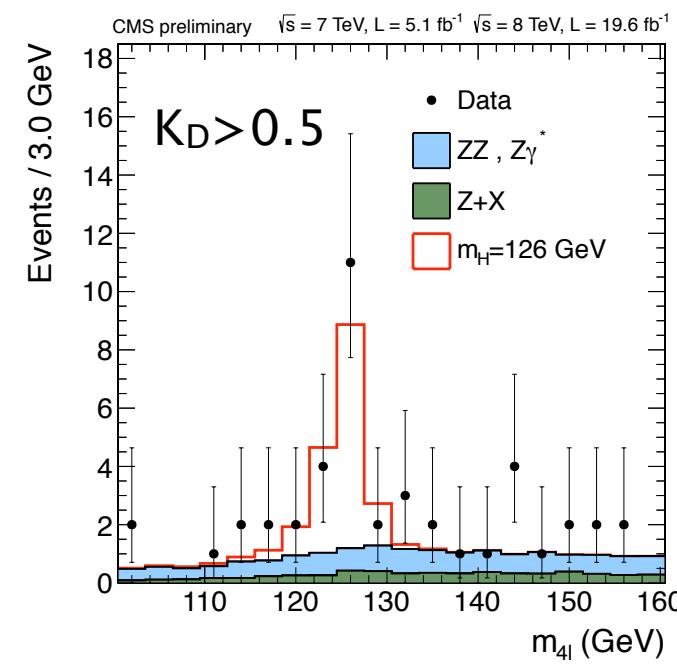
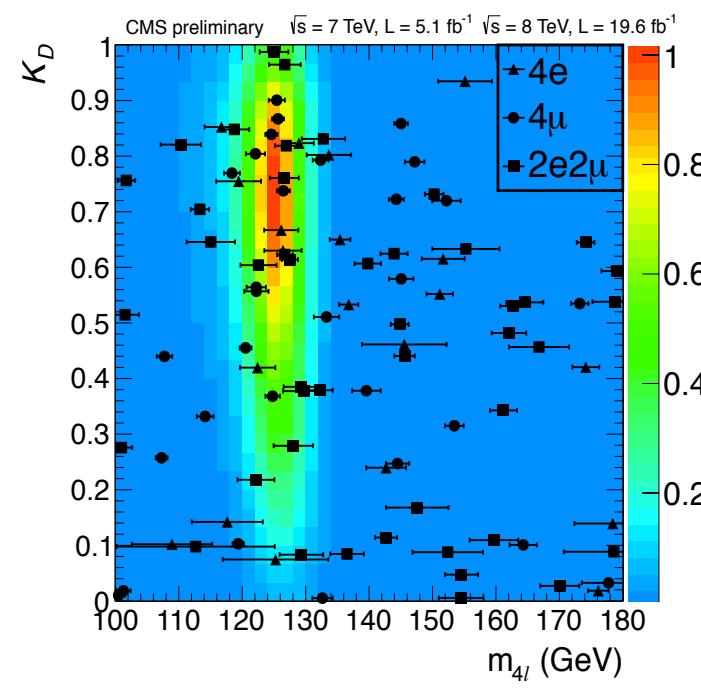
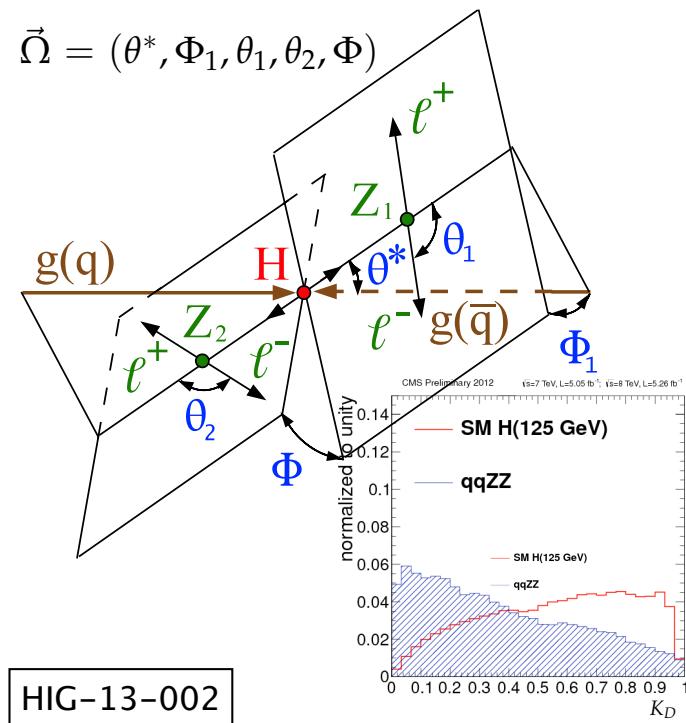


# H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l: Kinematic Discriminants

- Multiple kinematic variables can be used as signal/background or SM/BSM kinematic discriminant
    - fully reconstructed final state
  - Discriminator  $K_D$  to separate SM Higgs from backgrounds:
    - Use the ratio of LO matrix elements
    - Matrix elements computed using JHUGen and MCFM
      - ▶ validated with analytical parametrization, Madgraph, also BDT/BNN.
  - Discriminator  $D_{J^P}$  to separate the SM Higgs hypothesis from an alternative  $J^P$  hypothesis:

$$K_D = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{0^+}^{\text{kin}}}{\mathcal{P}_{0^+}^{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{kin}}} = \left[ 1 + \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{kin}}(m_{Z_1}, m_{Z_2}, \vec{\Omega} | m_{4\ell})}{\mathcal{P}_{0^+}^{\text{kin}}(m_{Z_1}, m_{Z_2}, \vec{\Omega} | m_{4\ell})} \right]^{-1}$$

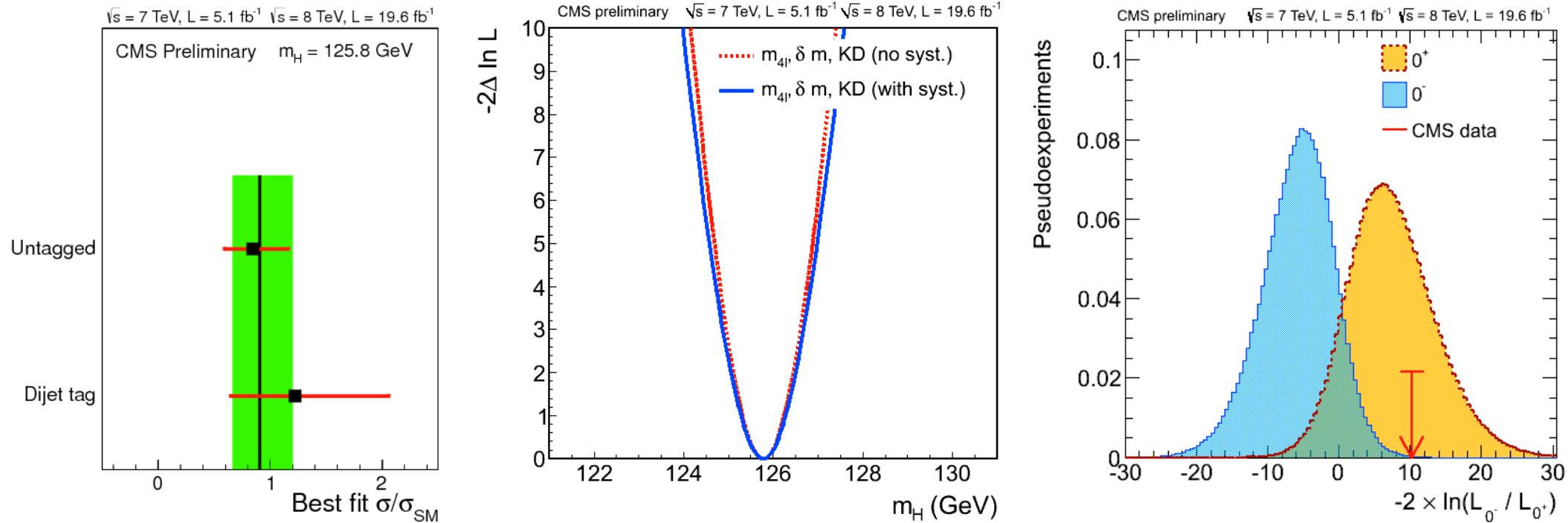
$$\mathcal{D}_{J^P} = \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\text{SM}}}{\mathcal{P}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{P}_{J^P}} = \left[ 1 + \frac{\mathcal{P}_{J^P}(m_{Z_1}, m_{Z_2}, \vec{\Omega} | m_{4\ell})}{\mathcal{P}_{\text{SM}}(m_{Z_1}, m_{Z_2}, \vec{\Omega} | m_{4\ell})} \right]^{-1}$$



# H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l: Results

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- Limits, significance, signal strength: 3D fit on  $m_{4l}$ ,  $K_D$ ,  $p_T$ 
  - significance =  $6.7\sigma$  ( $7.2\sigma$  exp)
  - signal strength  $\mu = 0.91^{+0.30}_{-0.24}$
- Mass measurement: 3D fit on  $m_{4l}$ ,  $K_D$ ,  $\sigma(m_{4l})$ 
  - $m_H = 125.8 \pm 0.5$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.2$  (syst.) GeV
- Spin/parity hypothesis: 2D fit on  $D_{bkg}$  and  $D_{JP}$ 
  - where  $D_{bkg}$  combines  $m_{4l}$  and  $K_D$  information
  - tested various models with spin (0,1,2), parity (+,-) and production modes (gg or qq)
  - alternative models disfavored by data with respect to  $0^+$  (from  $1.7\sigma$  to  $>4\sigma$ )



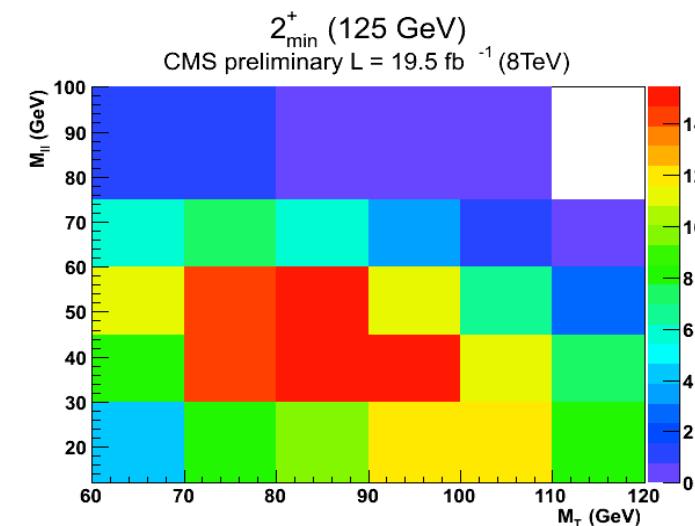
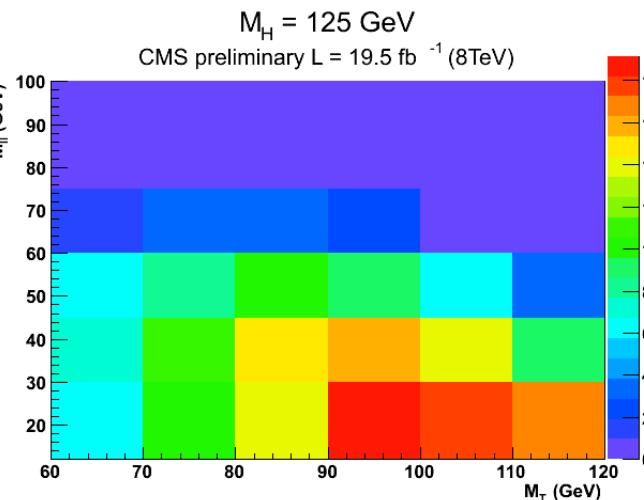
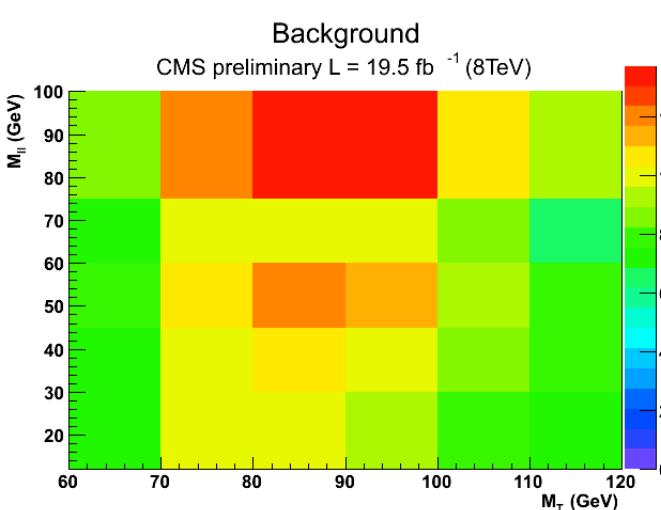
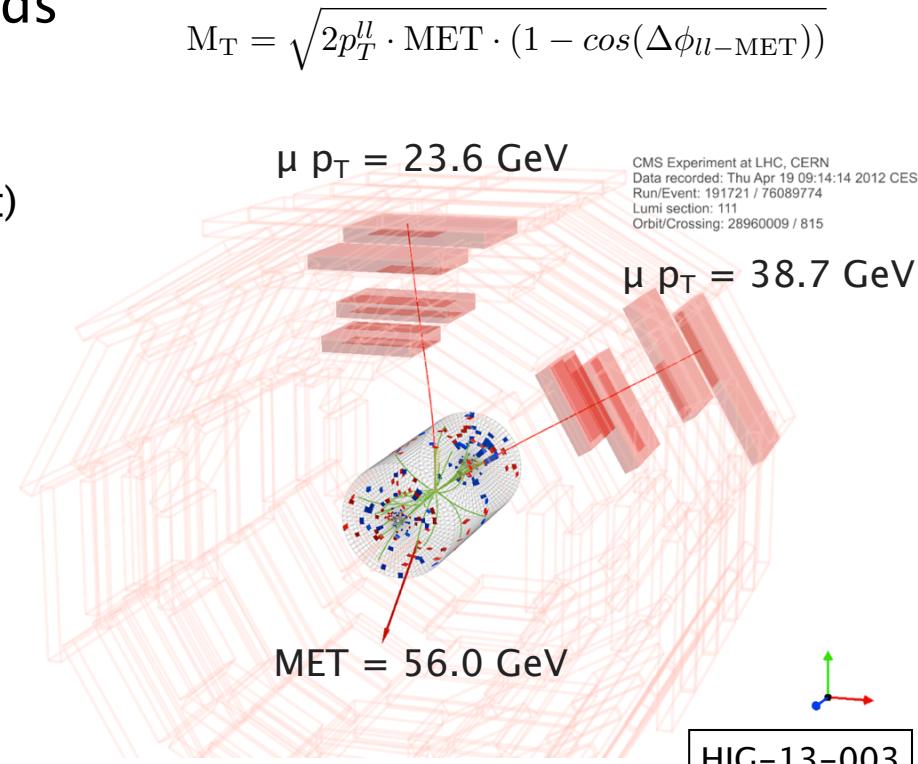
# H $\rightarrow$ WW $\rightarrow$ 2l2v: Analysis Summary

- Large signal yield but also large backgrounds
- No mass peak due to neutrinos
- Default analysis:

- 2D fit in the  $m_T$ - $m_{ll}$  plane for DF final state (0,1 jet)
  - uncorrelated variables
  - range for  $m_H < 300$  GeV:  $60 < M_T < 280$  GeV,  $12 < m_{ll} < 200$  GeV
- 2D fit used for spin-parity hypothesis testing
- cut based for SF final state (0,1 jet)
  - $m_H$ -dependent cut values
- VBF channel for 2-jet bin

- Key features:

- Background estimation
- Systematics
- 2D fit validation

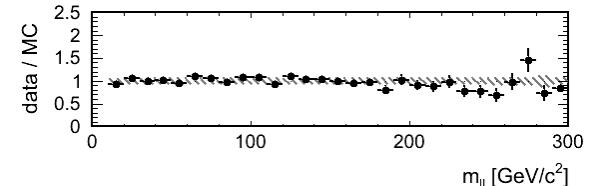
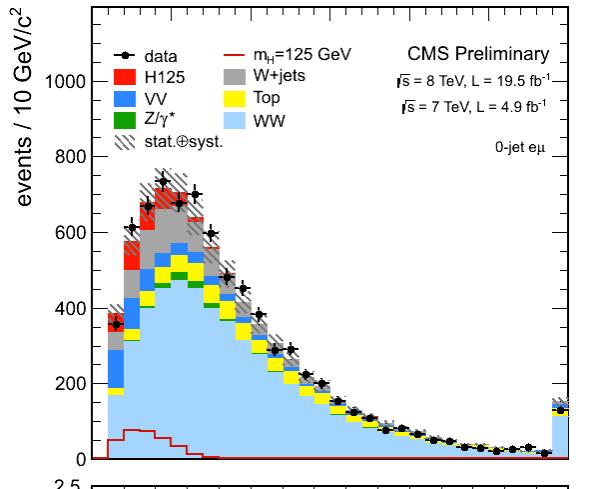


# H $\rightarrow$ WW $\rightarrow$ 2l2v: Backgrounds

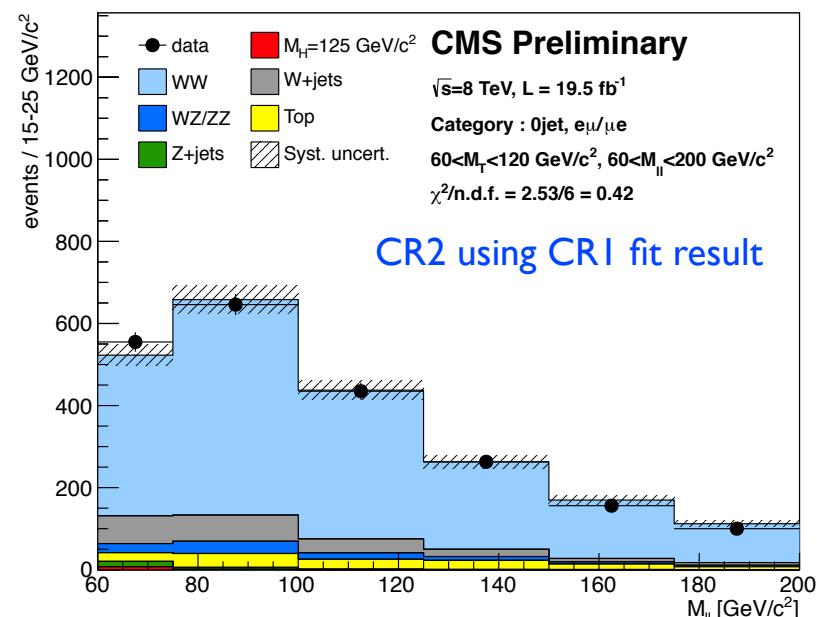
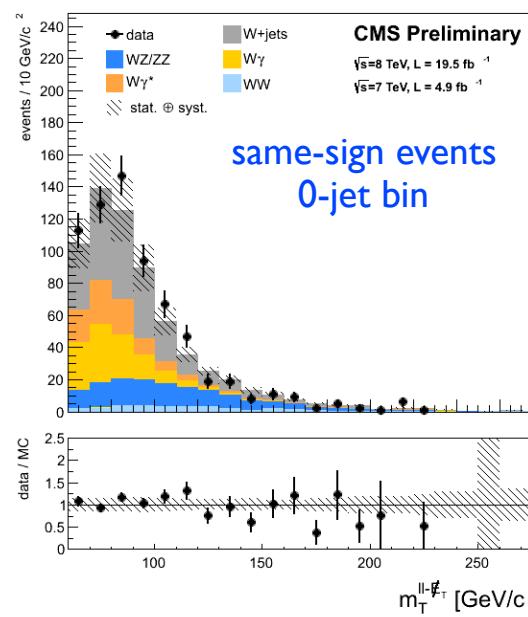
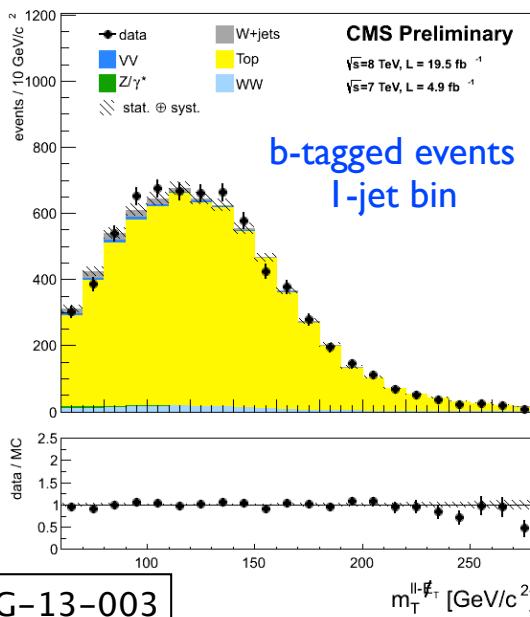
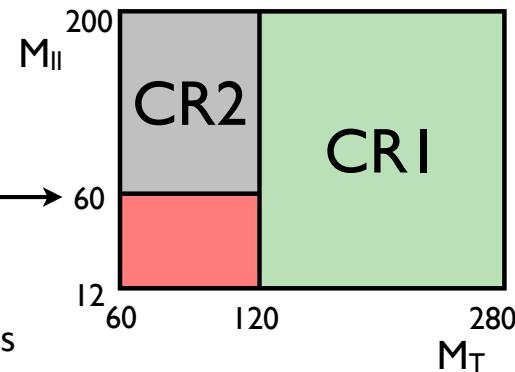


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- Background control is crucial for this analysis
  - event count in signal region, no mass peak
  - WW (light blue): dominant background, irreducible, extends to higher m<sub>ll</sub> and mT regions
  - Top (yellow): largest background in 1-jet bin, small in 0-j
  - Wjets (grey): similar size and kinematic region as signal
  - Wy\* (grey): small but similar kinematic as signal
- WW background normalization is a free parameter in the 2D fit
  - fit constrains the dominant background from signal free regions
- Fully data-driven background estimation for most important backgrounds
  - Wjets – Method based on tight-to-loose lepton ID – 36%
    - ratio derived on QCD, applied to dilepton events w/ one lepton failing ID
  - Top – Based on Njets and b-tagging – 20/5% (0/1-jet)
    - measured on top enriched sample, applied on top tagged events
  - Wy\* – Measure k-factor in 3l sample – 30%
  - Backgrounds from MC: WZ/ZZ, W $\gamma$
  - Background estimation for cut based only:
    - Drell-Yan (on-off Z peak, tight-loose MET), WW (low-high m<sub>ll</sub>)



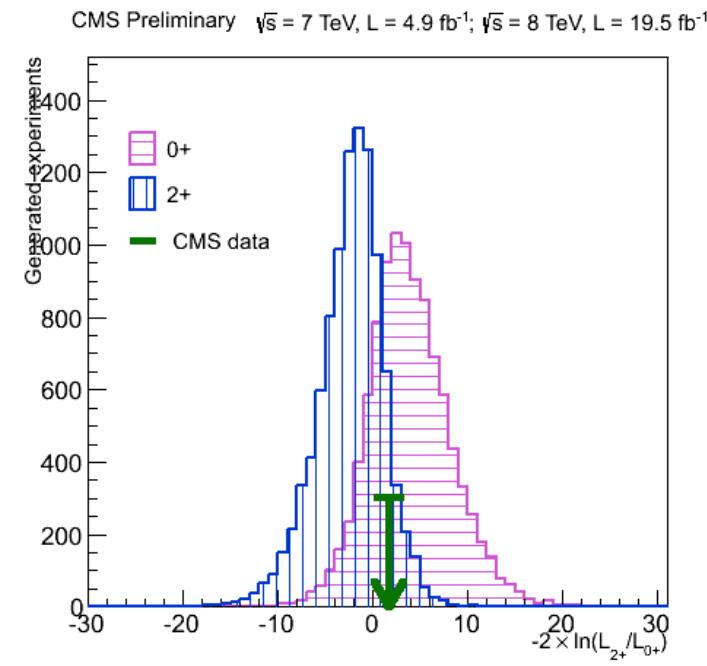
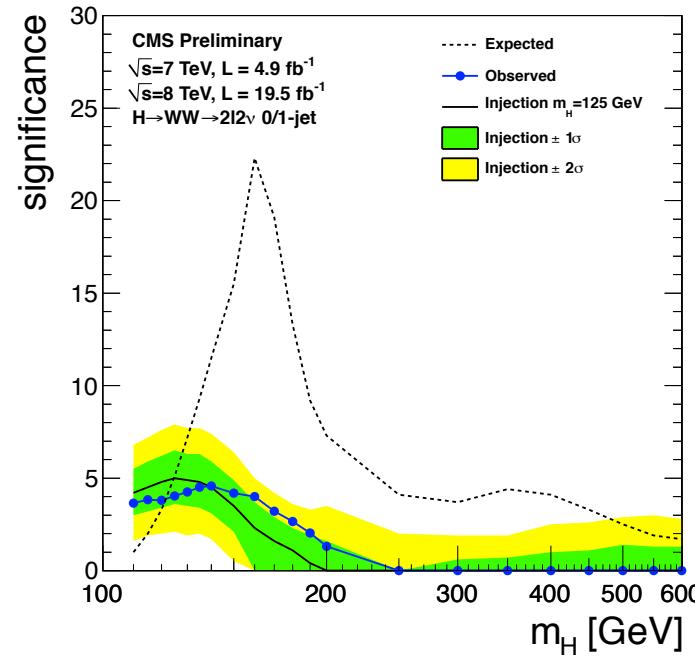
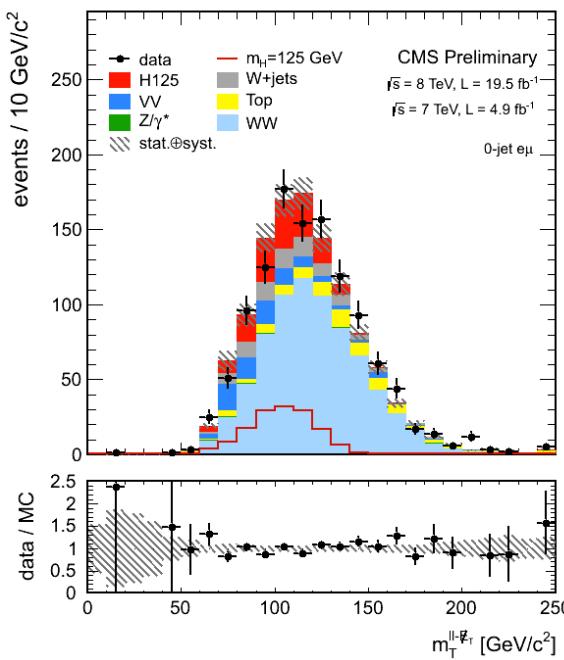
- Systematics in the 2D fit are both normalization and shape variations
  - Correlated systematics: experimental measurements, theoretical uncertainties
  - Uncorrelated systematics: background normalizations
  - Shape variations done through a morphing parameter between alternative shapes
- Huge effort to validate and understand the fit results
- Full fit performed on data control regions
  - b-tagged events for top, same sign events for Wjets (fakes), W $\gamma$  and W $\gamma^*$
  - shapes compatible, nuisance parameters are stable, no artificial signal introduced
- Test fit model for WW background
  - two WW control regions, with large  $m_T$  or large  $m_{ll}$
  - predict WW shape in CR2 from fit results in other CR1
- Experiments with pseudo-data
  - no bias on signal, both under nominal conditions and with input bias on backgrounds
  - good compatibility between nuisance parameters pulls from toys and data fit



# H $\rightarrow$ WW $\rightarrow$ 2l2v: Results

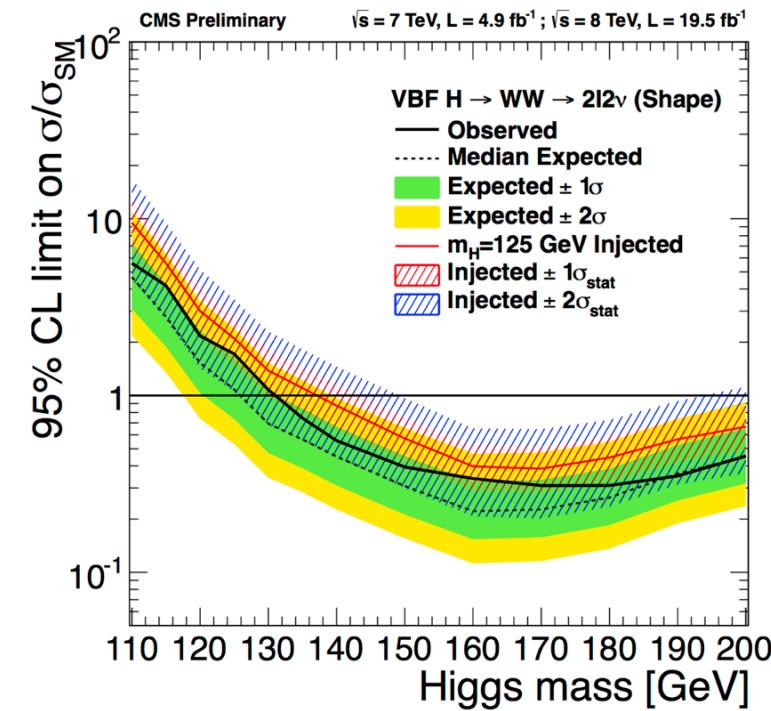
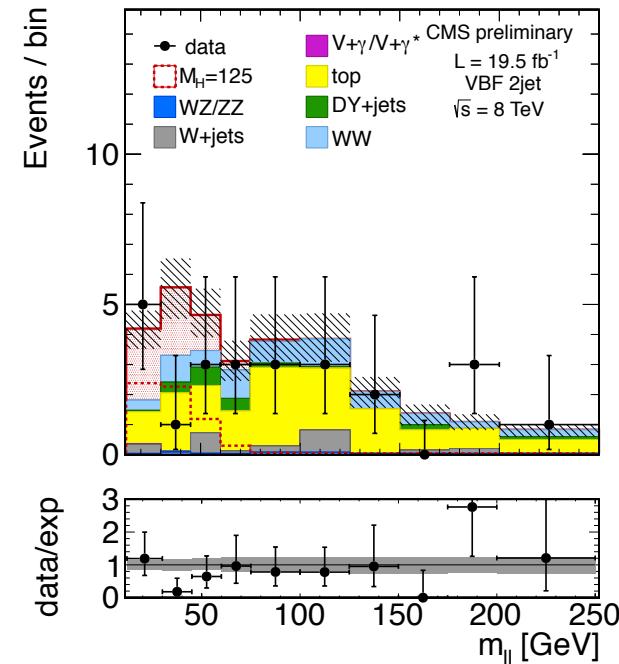
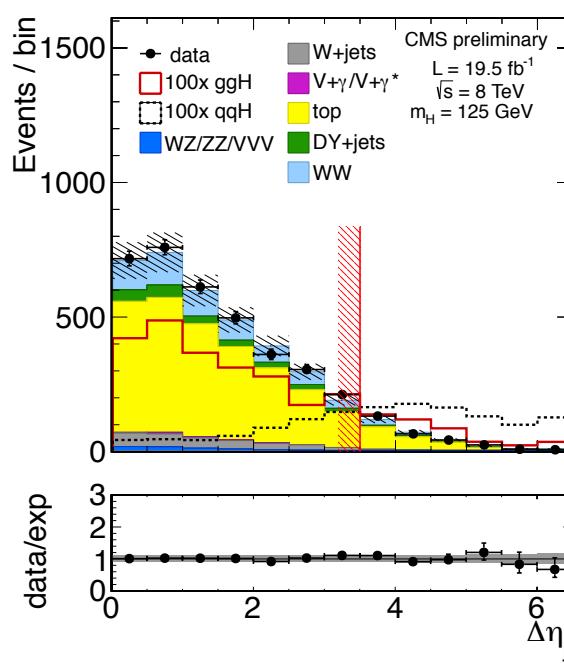
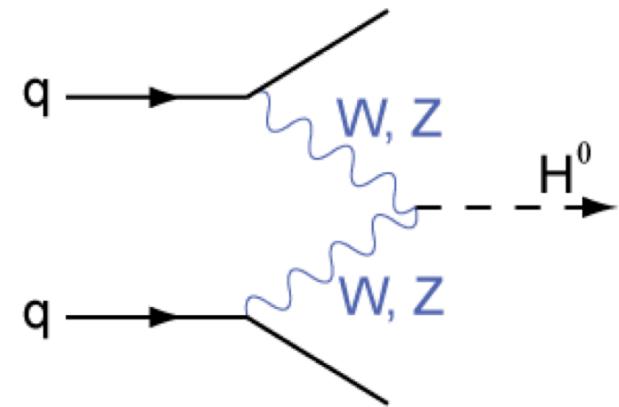
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- Exclusion limits: 128–600 GeV (115–575 GeV exp.)
- Significance:  $4.0\sigma$  ( $5.1\sigma$  expected)
  - broad excess, compatible with SM  $m_H=125$  GeV
- Signal strength:  $\mu = 0.76 \pm 0.13$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.16$  (syst.)
  - good compatibility across channels and datasets
- Spin-parity hypothesis test performed in 0/1-jet e $\mu$  categories
  - Model of spin-2 resonance, with minimal dibosons couplings
  - Compatibility:  $0.5\sigma$  with  $0^+$ ,  $1.3\sigma$  with  $2^+$  model
- Using SM Higgs as background no significant excess for  $m_X=100$ –600 GeV



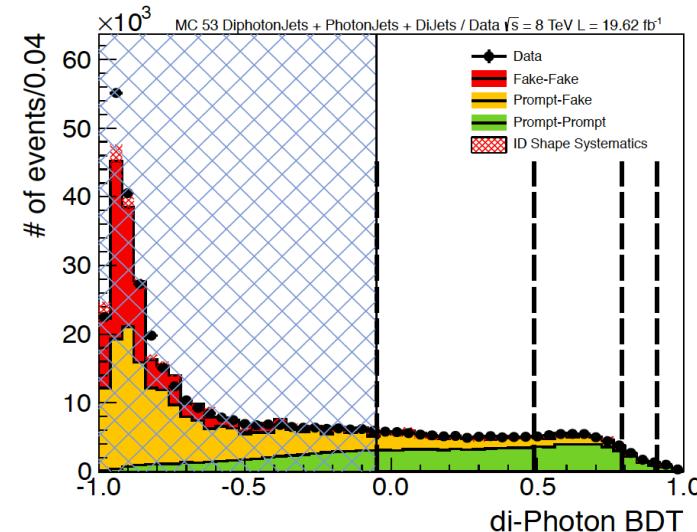
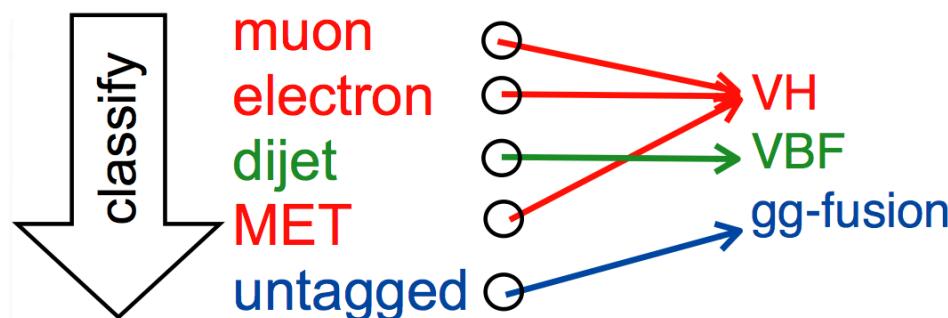
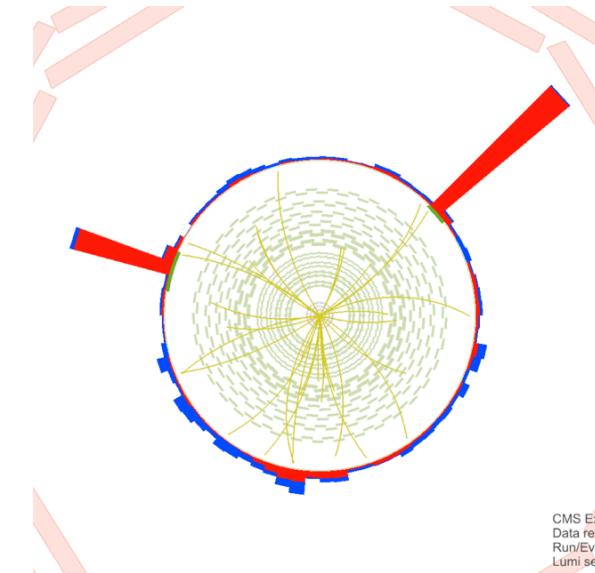
- Similar selection and background estimation techniques as in 0/1-jet analysis
- Requires  $\geq 2$  jets plus a VBF-topology selection:
  - $m_{jj} > 500$  GeV,  $\Delta\eta_{jj} > 3.5$ , central jet veto
- Analysis strategy:
  - Shape based (1D on  $m_{ll}$ ) for different-flavor
  - Cut based for same-flavor
- Results (7+8 TeV, SF+DF):
  - Limit at  $m_H = 125$  GeV: 1.7 (1.1 exp.)
  - Significance: 1.3 (2.1 exp.)
  - Signal strength:  $\mu = 0.62^{+0.58}_{-0.47}$

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# H $\rightarrow$ $\gamma\gamma$ : Overview

- High resolution fully reconstructed invariant mass
  - Large QCD backgrounds ( $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $\gamma$ -jet, jet-jet)
  - Small BR(H $\rightarrow$  $\gamma\gamma$ )  $\sim 0.1\%$
- 2 analyses: MVA-based and Cuts-in-Categories
- Separate events into classes to improve the analysis sensitivity and coupling measurements
  - 4 tagged categories, 4 untagged categories
- MVA diphoton categories:
  - Mass independent classification (BDT)
    - variables = diphoton kinematics (excluding  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ ), evt diphoton mass resolution, photon ID
  - 4 categories in high-score region of BDT output
  - MVA  $\sim 15\%$  better expected sensitivity wrt CiC
- Cut-in-Categories:
  - 4 categories: high/low  $R_9$  (shower shape); EB / EE

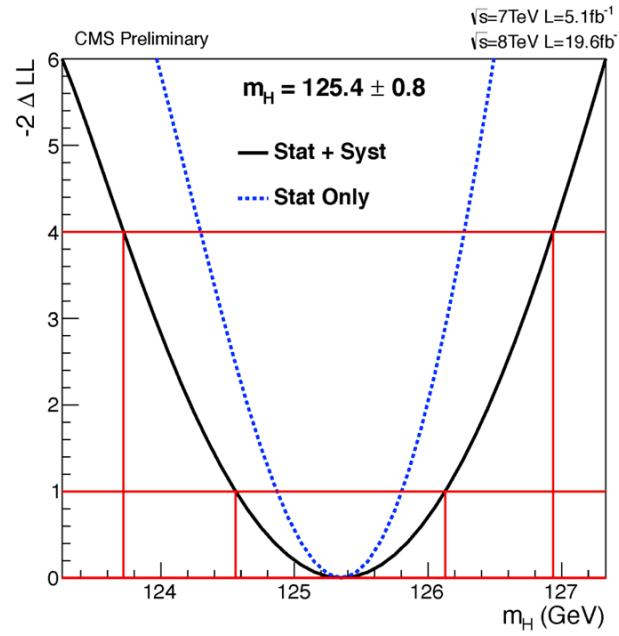
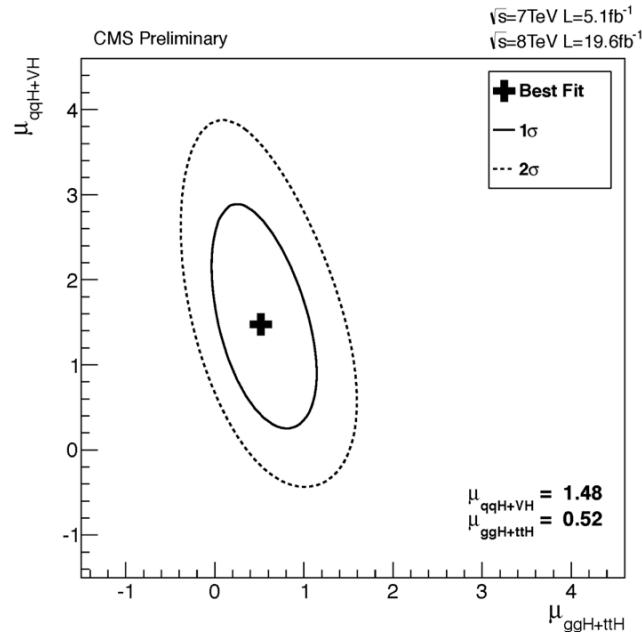
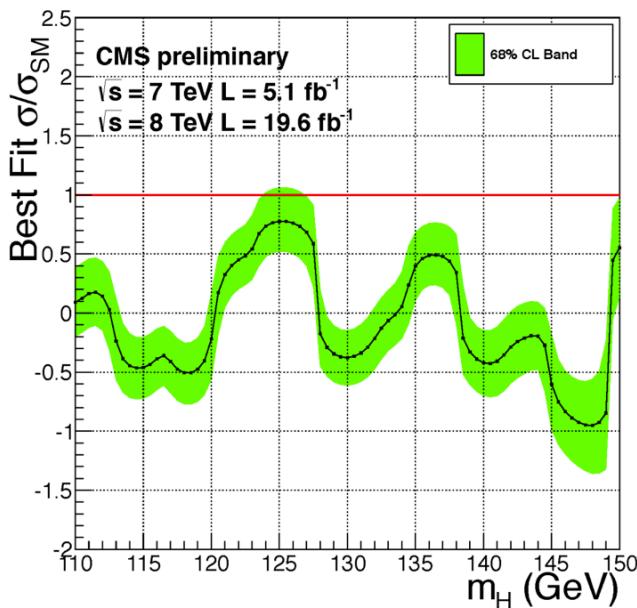
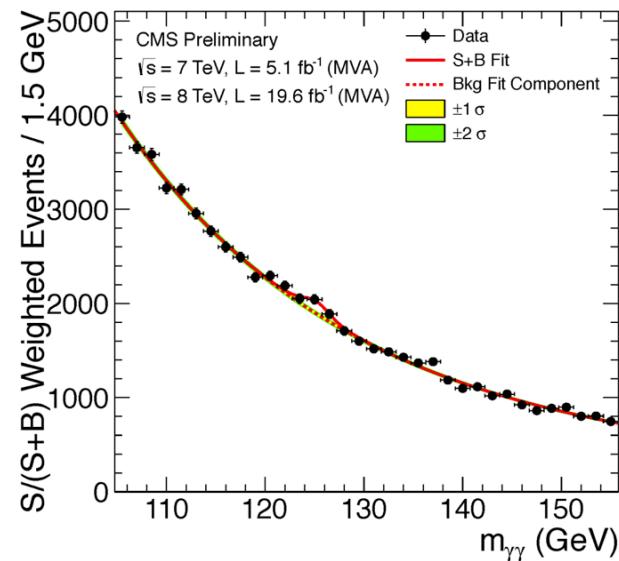


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# H $\rightarrow$ $\gamma\gamma$ : Results

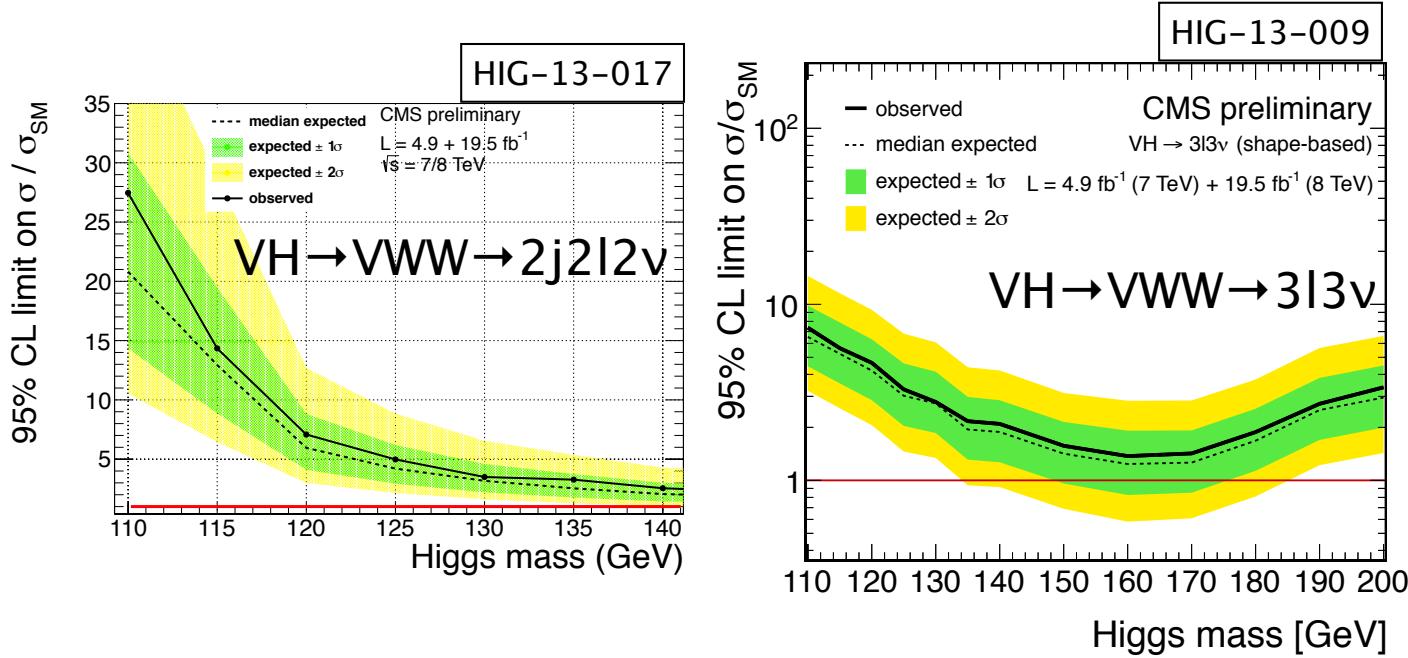
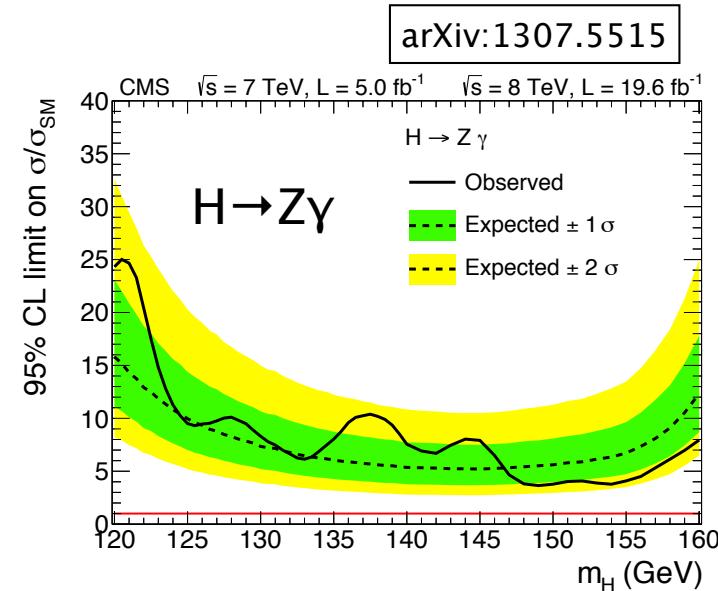
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- Excess with observed significance of  $3.2\sigma$ 
  - $4.2\sigma$  expected
- Best fit strength  $\sigma/\sigma_{SM} = 0.78^{+0.28}_{-0.26}$ 
  - $\mu(ggH+ttH)=0.52$ ,  $\mu(qqH+VH)=1.48$
- Measured  $m_H = 125.4 \pm 0.5(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.6(\text{syst.}) \text{ GeV}$
- Cut-based analysis sees a slightly larger excess
  - $\sigma/\sigma_{SM} = 1.1^{+0.32}_{-0.30}$
  - the two results are compatible at  $1.5\sigma$  level once correlations are properly taken into account



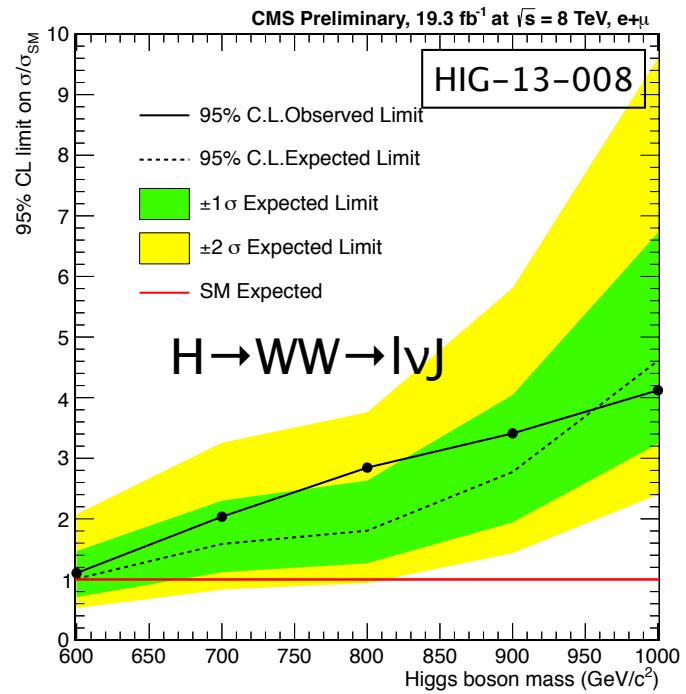
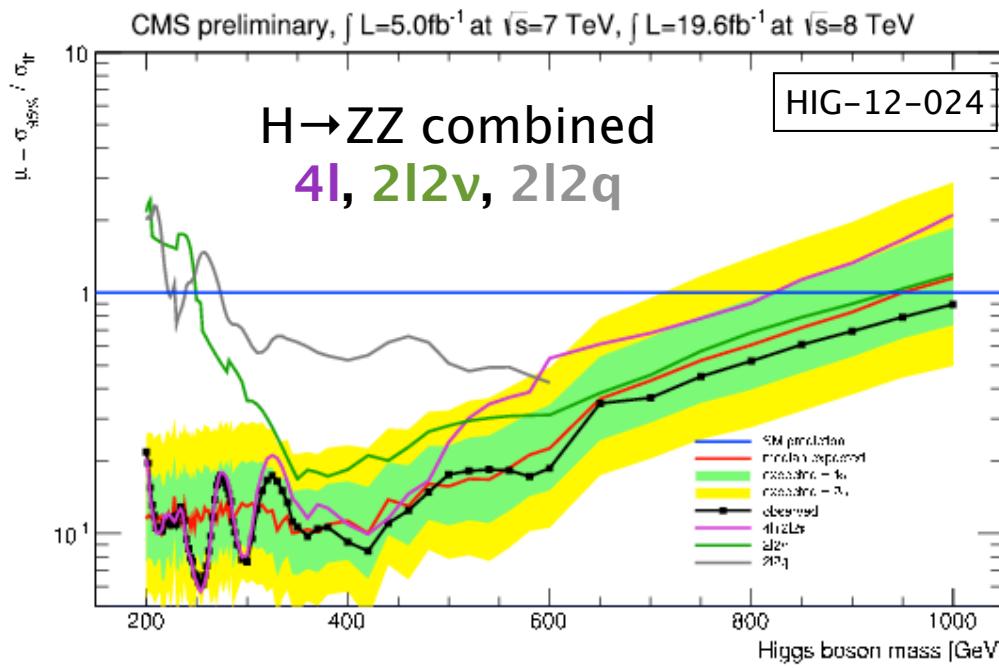
# Other Results (Low Mass)

- Other production and decay modes needed to complete the picture for SM Higgs boson
- VH production decaying into VVV
  - 3l3v and 2j2l2v final states
- ttH production decaying into  $\gamma\gamma$ 
  - All-hadronic and semileptonic tt decays with loose selection and at least one b-tagged jet
- Z $\gamma$  decay (where Z $\rightarrow$ 2l)
  - similar approach as in H $\rightarrow$  $\gamma\gamma$
- Need more data to probe SM in this channels!



# High Mass Results

- Search for high-mass SM-like Higgs boson and explore modified couplings of an additional Higgs boson
- Combined high-mass ZZ search to full statistics
  - Including fully leptonic and semi-leptonic (where the other Z decays hadronically or invisible) final states
  - Probes SM-like heavy Higgs up to  $\sim 1$  TeV
- Search in the  $W(l\nu)W("J")$  channel in a boosted regime
  - Highly boosted W: its decay products are contained in one jet.
  - Jet substructure techniques are used in identifying the hadronically decaying W
  - Sensitive to Higgs masses above  $\sim 600$  GeV



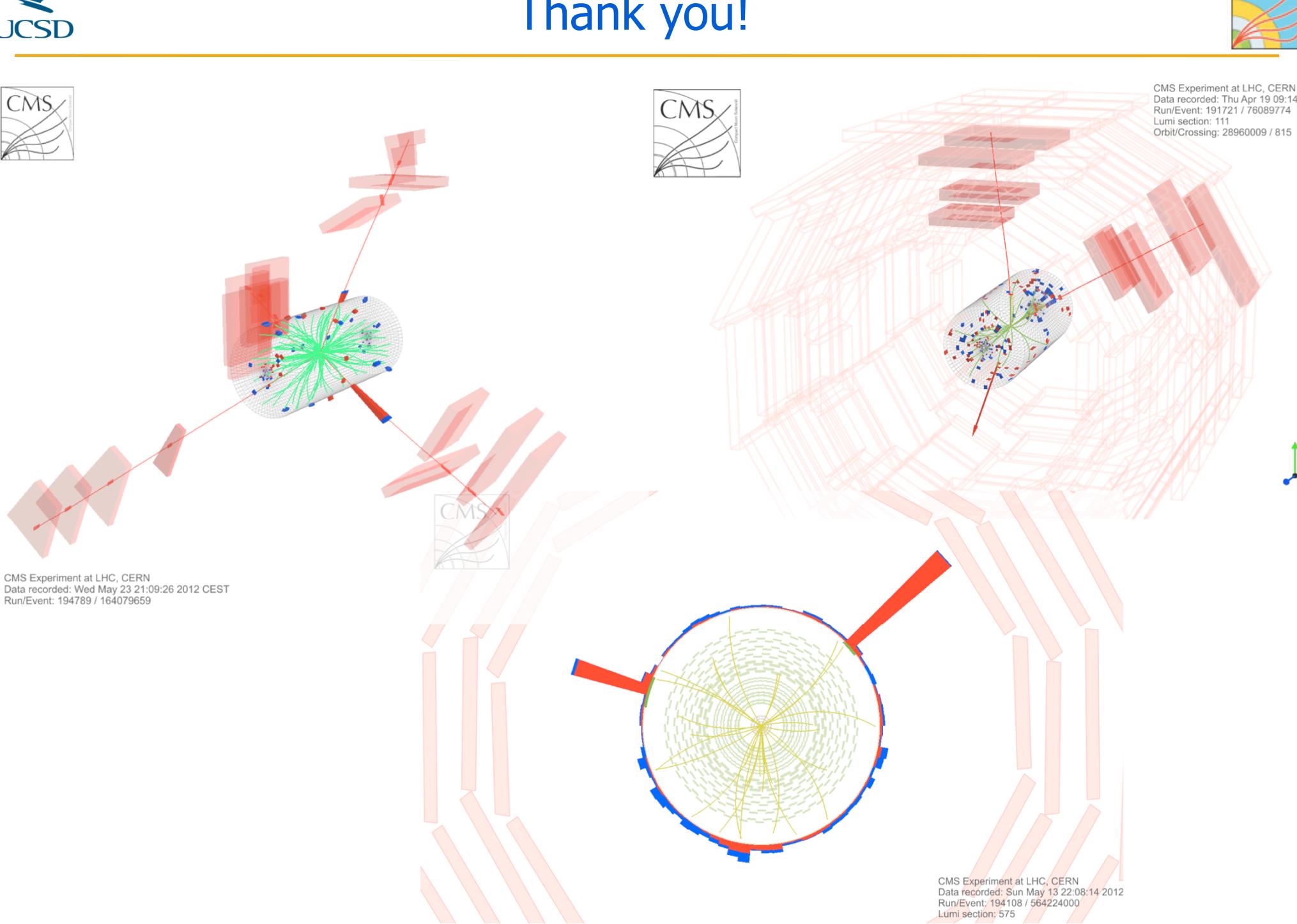
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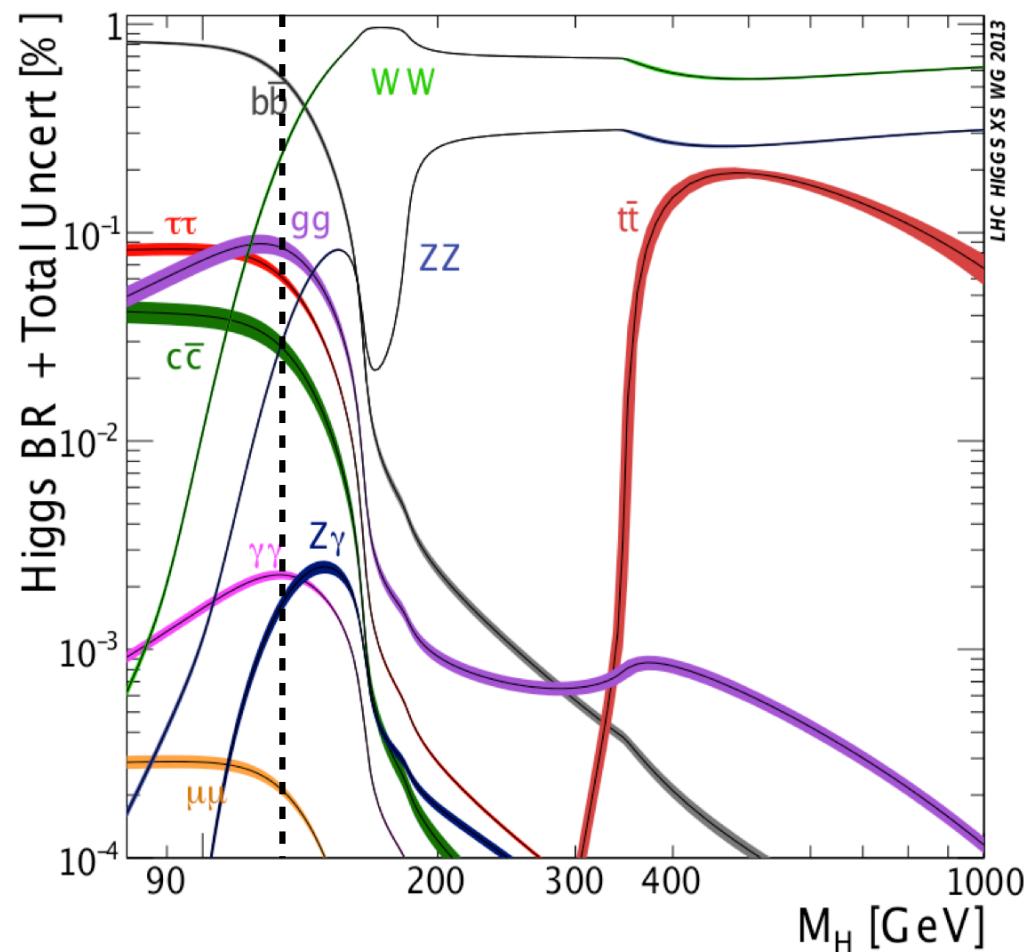
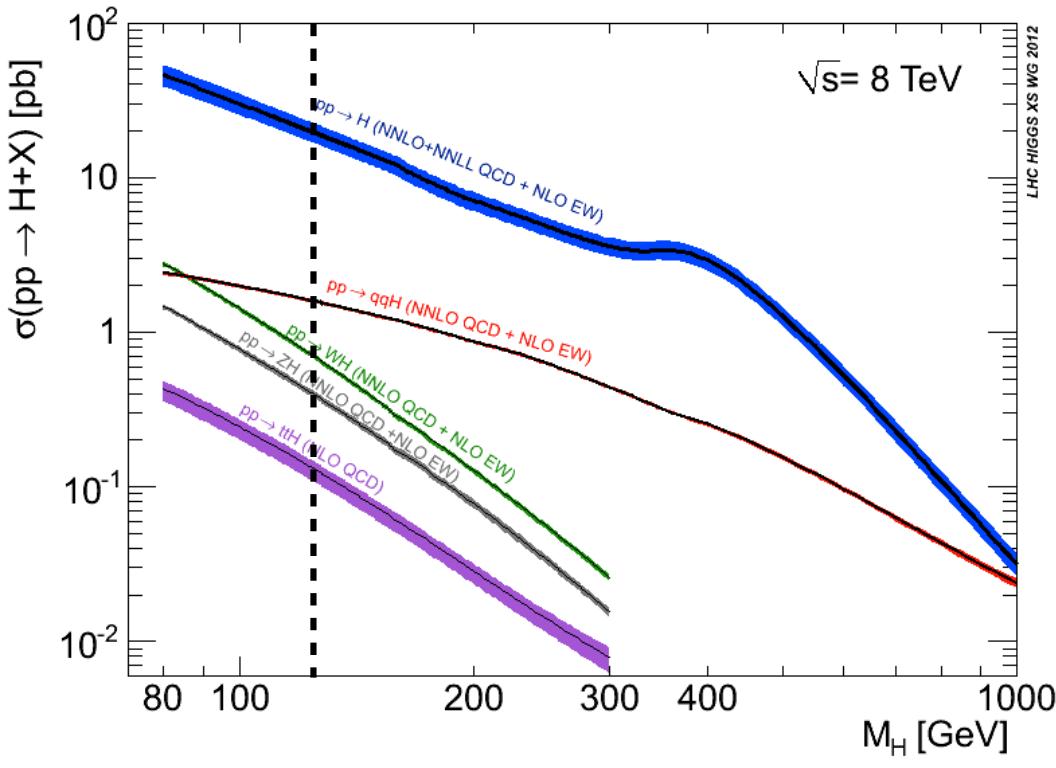


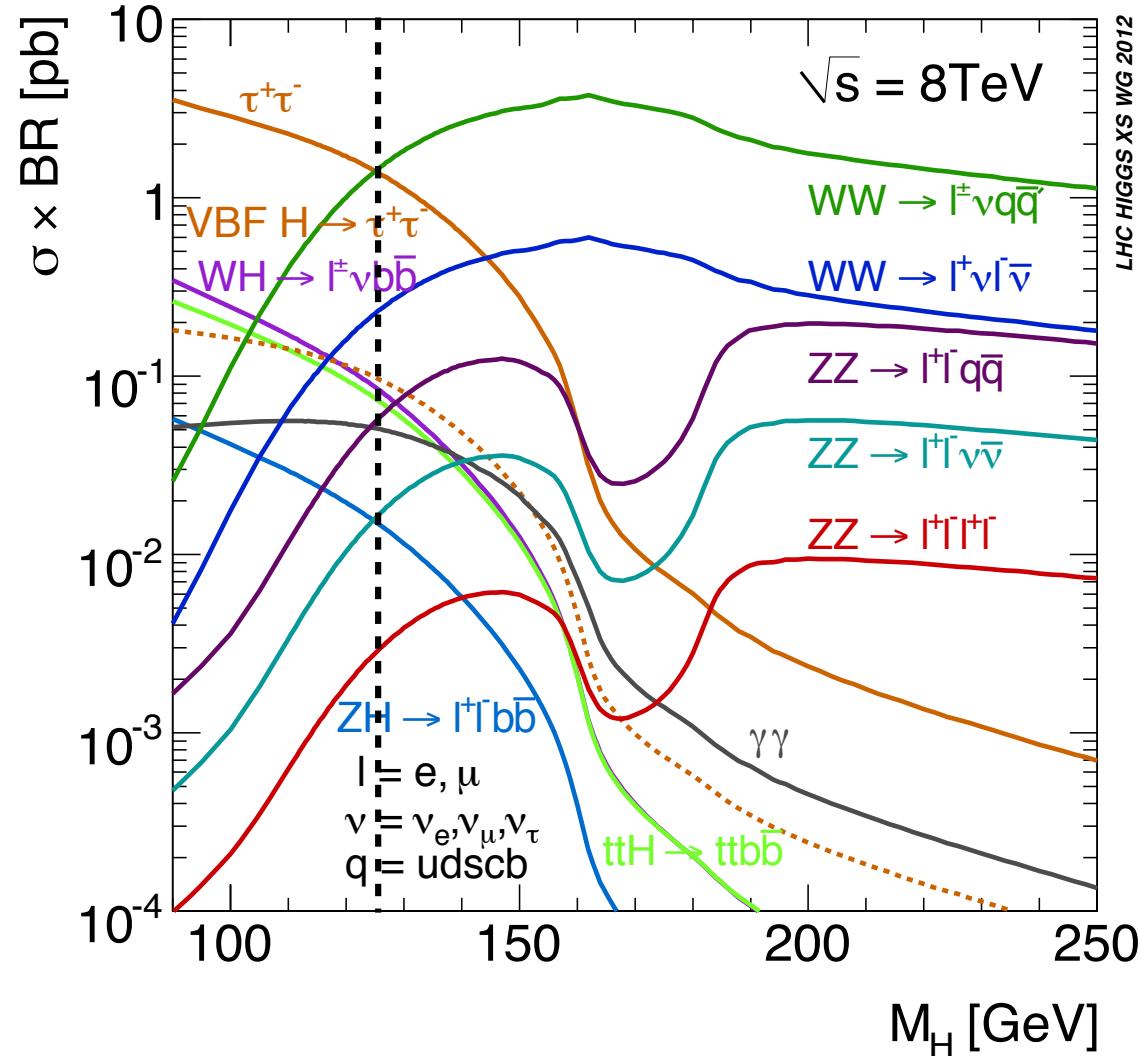
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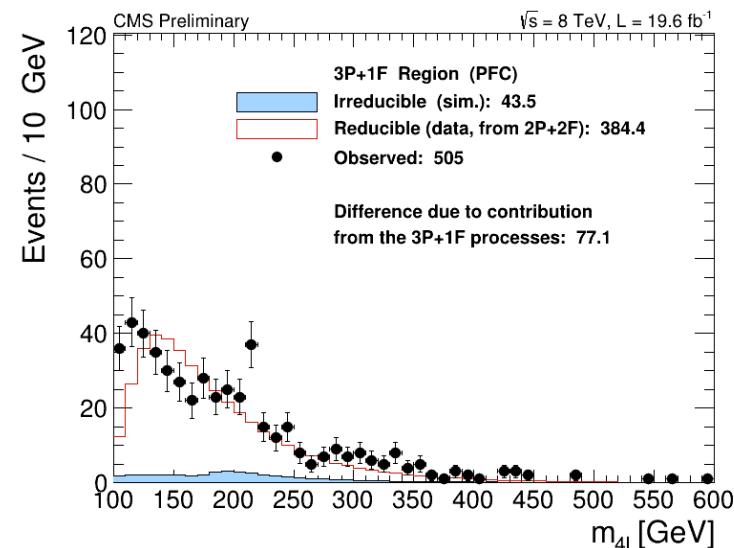
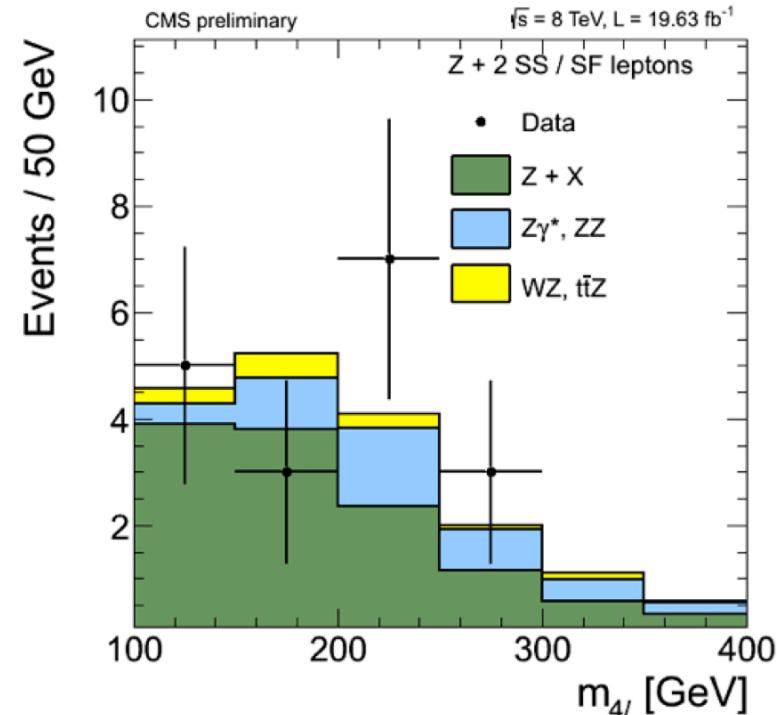
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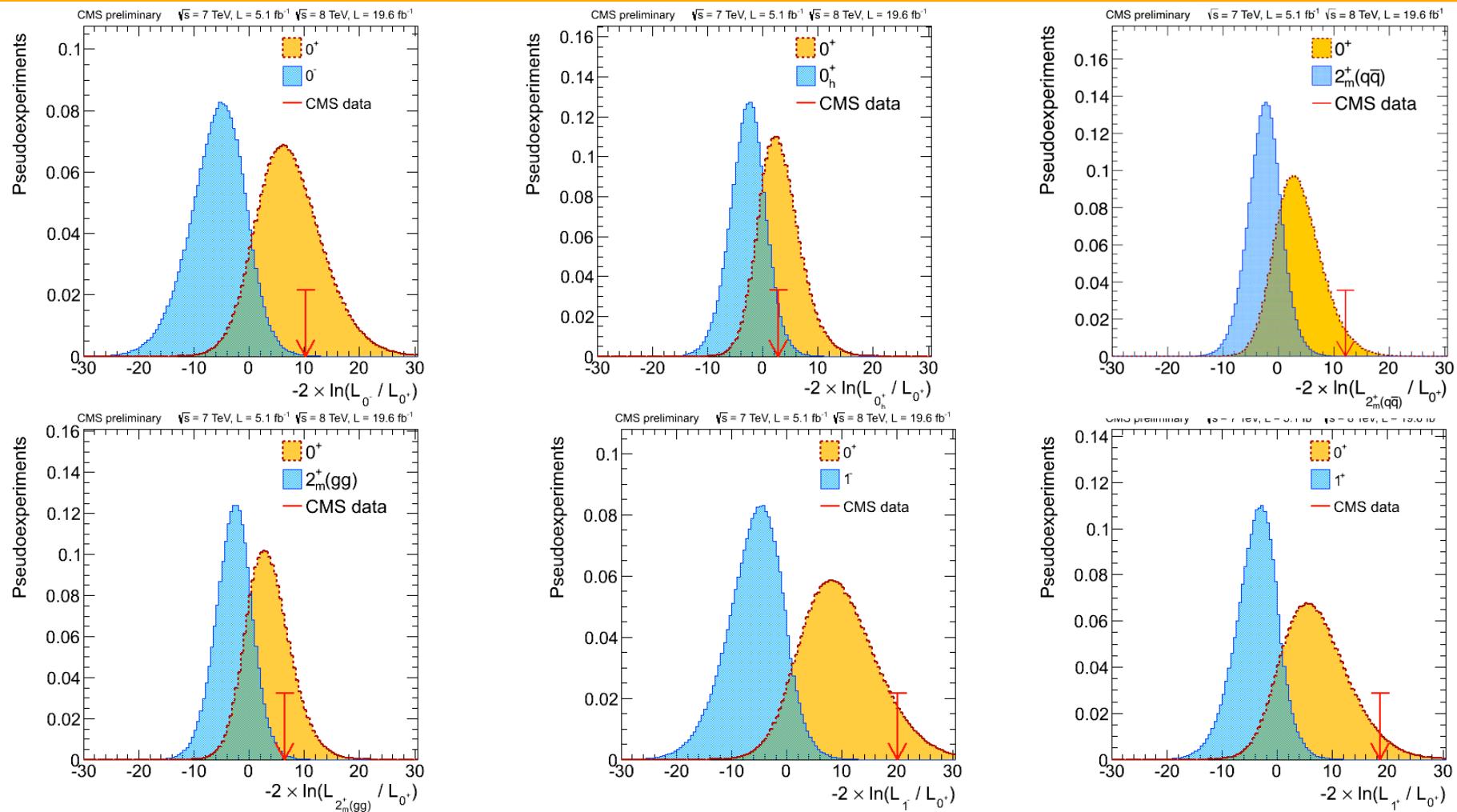




- Irreducible background
  - Empirical param. shapes from simulation
  - Corrected for data/simulation scale
- Instrumental backgrounds estimated from data
  - Extrapolation from samples enriched with misidentified leptons (iso+ID)
- 2 independent methods
  - 2P+2F (2 pass + 2 fail) sample, dedicated correction for  $\gamma$  conversions in  $Z+\gamma+jets$
  - 2P+2F & 3P+1F (3 pass + 1 fail) sample, measures contributions from  $Z+\gamma+jets$  &  $WZ+jets$
- Total uncertainty  $\sim 40\%$ 
  - statistics, systematics of method/shape

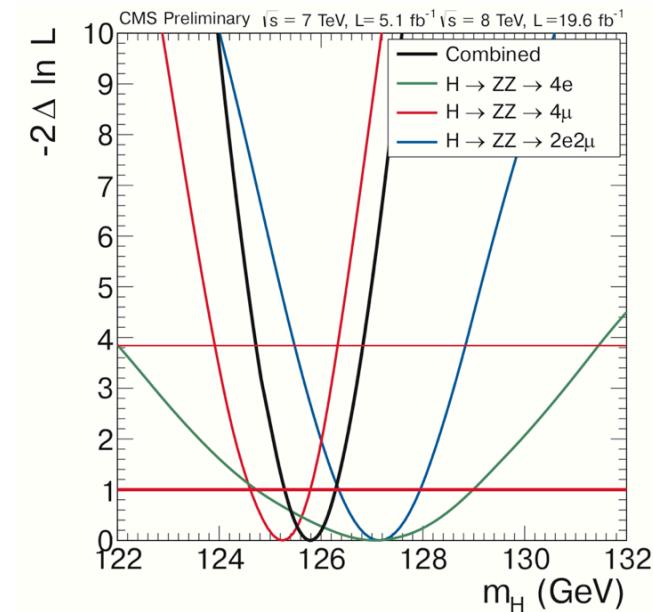
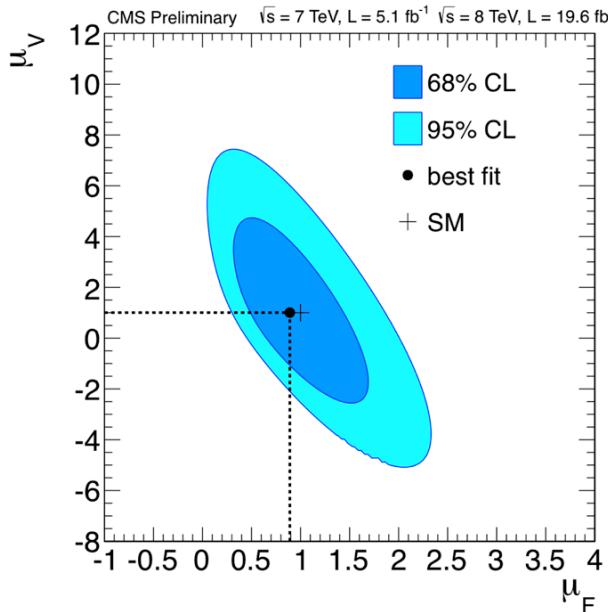
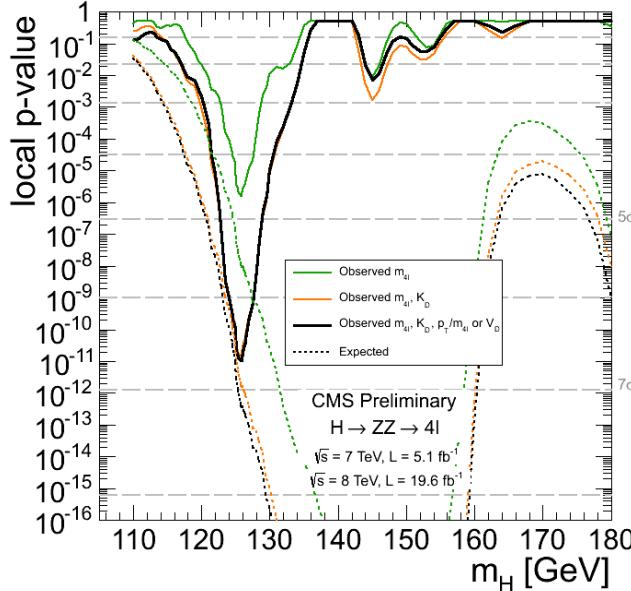
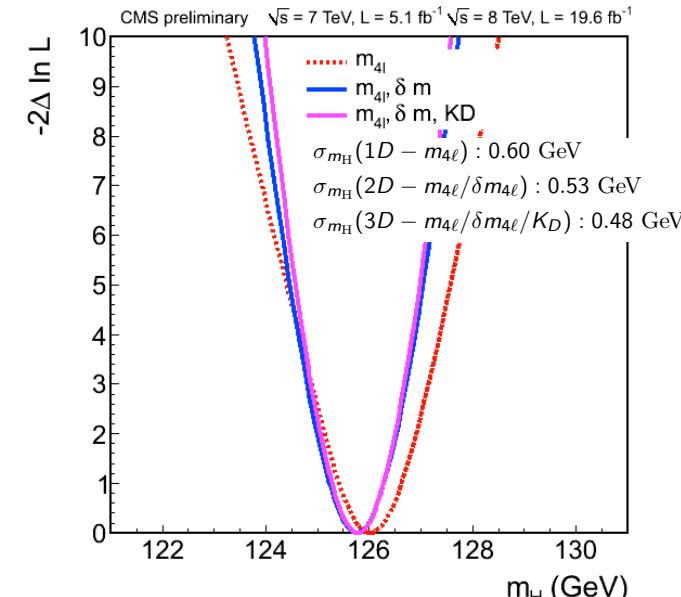
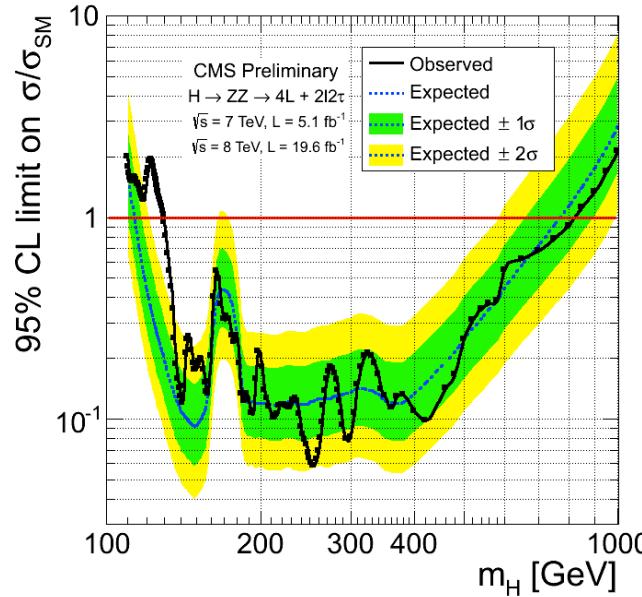
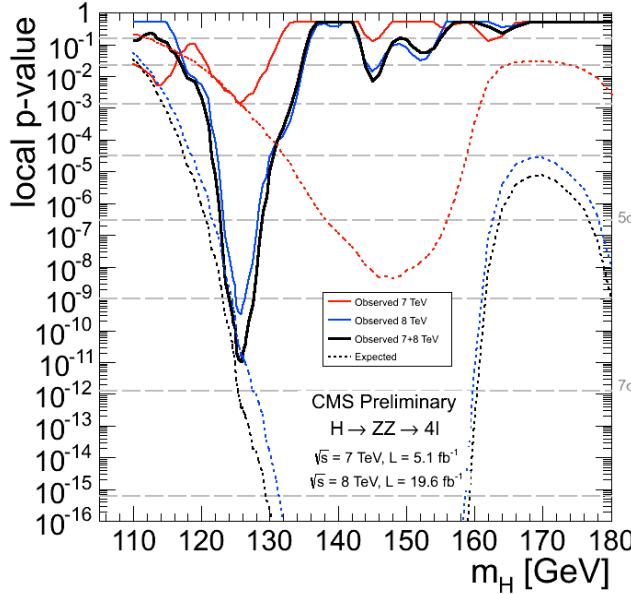


# H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l: spin parity results



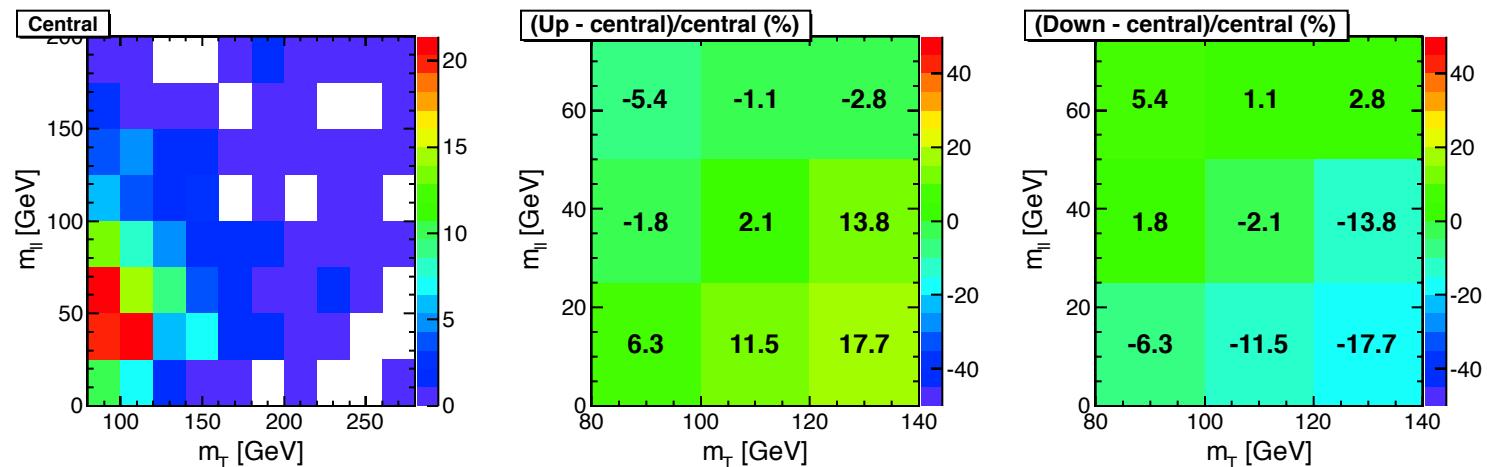
$J^P$	production	comment	expect ( $\mu=1$ )	obs. $0^+$	obs. $J^P$	$CL_s$
$0^-$	$gg \rightarrow X$	pseudoscalar	$2.6\sigma$ ( $2.8\sigma$ )	$0.5\sigma$	$3.3\sigma$	0.16%
$0_h^+$	$gg \rightarrow X$	higher dim operators	$1.7\sigma$ ( $1.8\sigma$ )	$0.0\sigma$	$1.7\sigma$	8.1%
$2_{mgg}^+$	$gg \rightarrow X$	minimal couplings	$1.8\sigma$ ( $1.9\sigma$ )	$0.8\sigma$	$2.7\sigma$	1.5%
$2_{mq\bar{q}}^+$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow X$	minimal couplings	$1.7\sigma$ ( $1.9\sigma$ )	$1.8\sigma$	$4.0\sigma$	<0.1%
$1^-$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow X$	exotic vector	$2.8\sigma$ ( $3.1\sigma$ )	$1.4\sigma$	$>4.0\sigma$	<0.1%
$1^+$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow X$	exotic pseudovector	$2.3\sigma$ ( $2.6\sigma$ )	$1.7\sigma$	$>4.0\sigma$	<0.1%

# H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l: more results

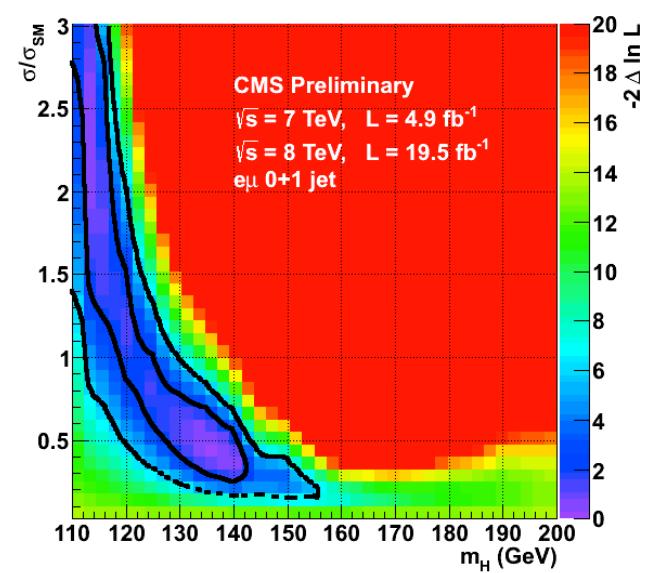
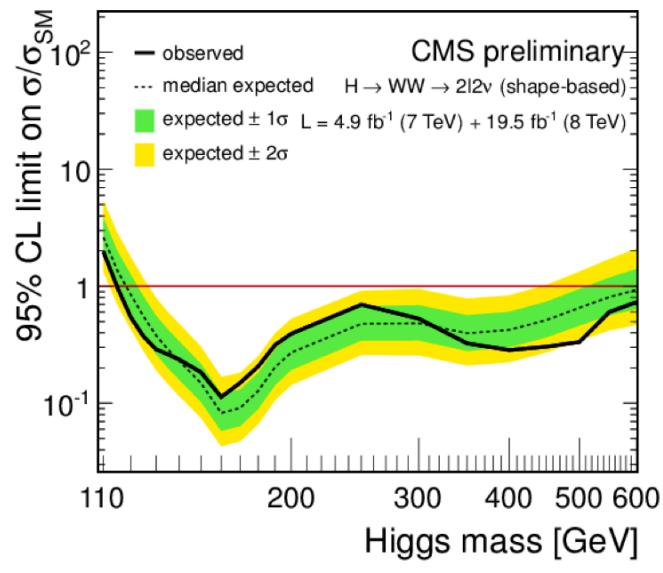
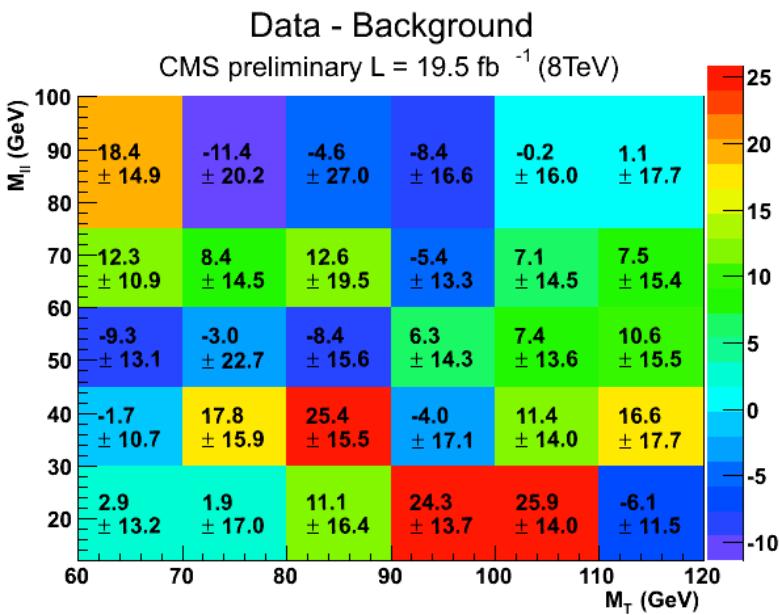
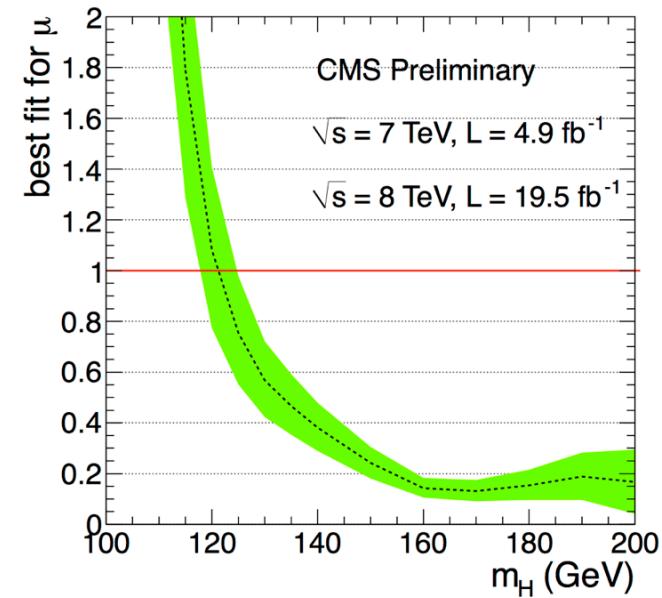
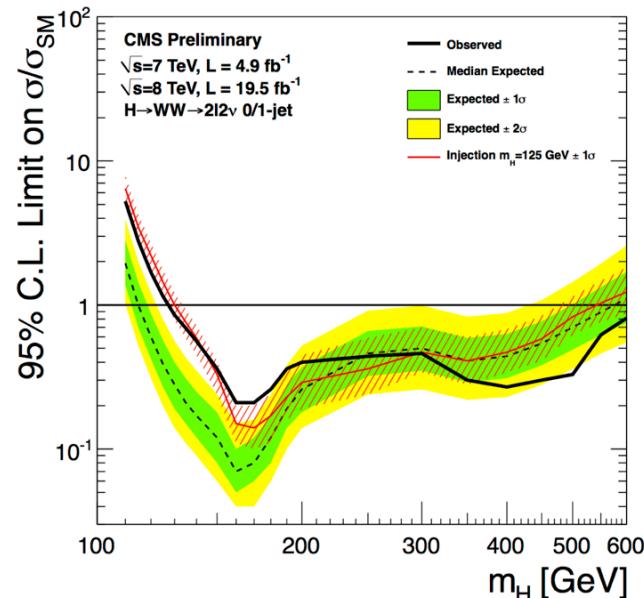
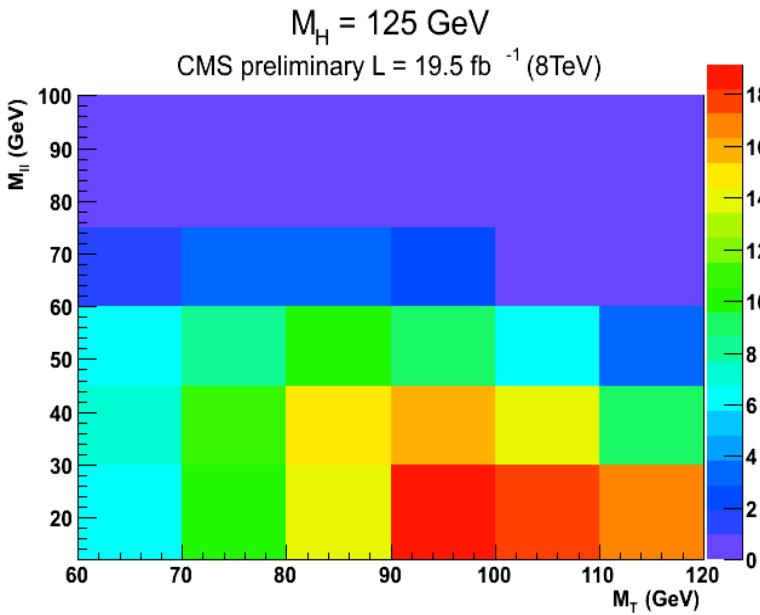


- Systematics in the 2D fit are both normalization and shape variations
  - Correlated systematics: experimental measurements, theoretical uncertainties
  - Uncorrelated systematics: background normalizations or background model parameters from control regions
  - Shape variations done through a morphing parameter between alternative shapes (up and down variation)
- Theoretical uncertainties on signal following LHC cross section recommendation
  - PDF + higher order effects + UEPS: 20–30%
- Instrumental
  - Luminosity: 4.4% (8TeV), 2.2% (7 TeV)
  - Lepton identification and trigger efficiency : 3(4) % for muon (electron)
  - Lepton Energy/Momentum scale : 1.5% for muon, 2% (5%) for electron in barrel (endcap)
  - MET resolution: 2%, Jet energy scale: 2–10%
- Shape variations
  - Instrumental variation: list same as above
  - WW : QCD scale variation and different generators (Madgraph vs MC@NLO)
  - Top : different generators (Madgraph vs Powheg)
  - W+jets : different thresholds used in background estimation method

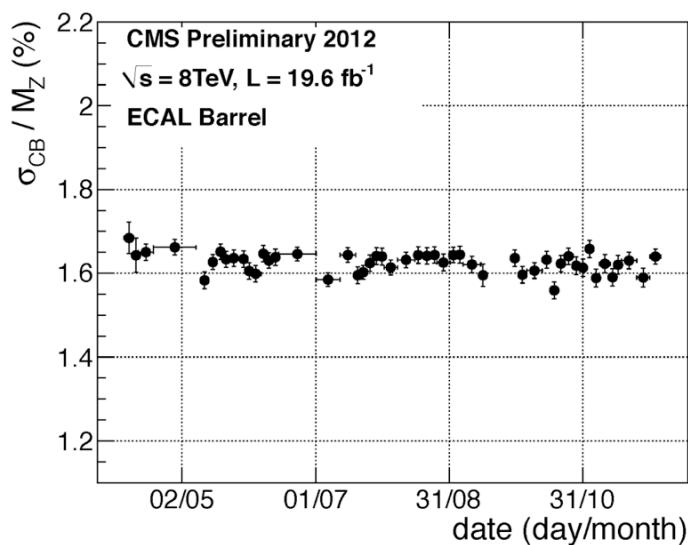
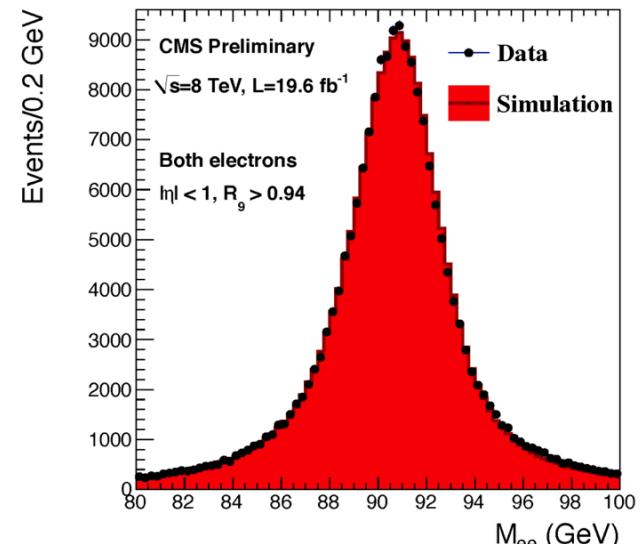
Wjets shape variations



# H $\rightarrow$ WW $\rightarrow$ 2l2v: More results



- Single Crystal:
  - Crystal energy calibration: (CMS-PAS-EGM-11-001)
    - transparency loss (laser)
    - inter-calibration ( $\phi$ -symmetry,  $\pi^0/\eta$  mass,  $E/p$ )
- SuperClustering
- Energy corrections:
  - regression (BDT target =  $E_{\text{raw}}/E_{\text{true}}$ );
  - Input variables
    - supercluster  $\eta/\phi$
    - shower shapes variables
      - $R_9 = E_{3\times 3}/E_{\text{SC}}$ ; high  $R_9 = \gamma$  unconverted, low  $R_9 = \gamma$  converted
    - number of vertices
    - median energy density ( $\rho$ ) per event
- Corrected SuperCluster
- Resolution stability within 0.1%
  - absolute energy scale + long term drifts
  - monitored with  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$
- Energy uncertainty (evt/evt):
  - regression (BDT target = correction regr - correction true)
  - Used in the MVA analysis



- Preselection:

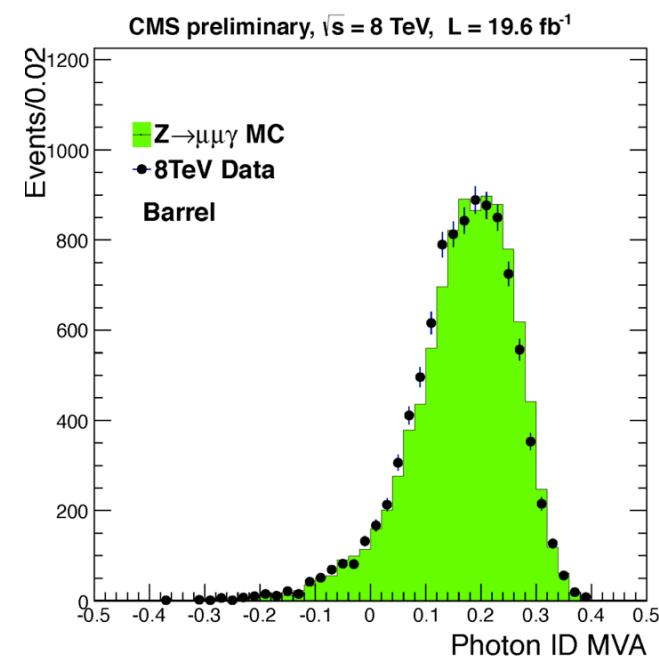
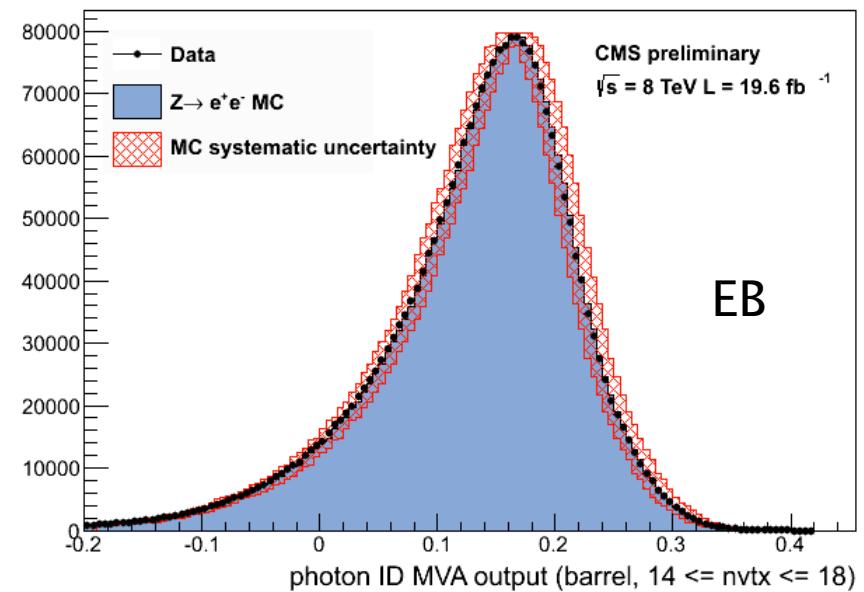
- electron-veto, H/E, loose Isolation, loose shower-shapes
- $\epsilon \sim 92\% - 99\%$ , SF = 1

- MVA based photon ID:

- classification (BDT), variables:
- $\eta$ , shower-shapes
- Particle flow isolation,
- median energy density ( $\rho$ ) per event
- input to diphoton classification

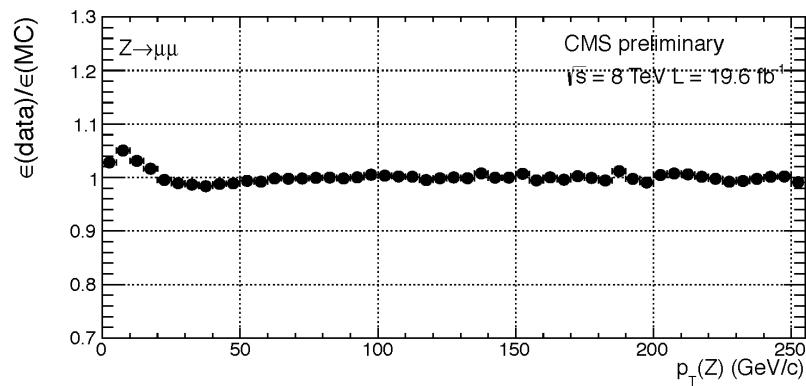
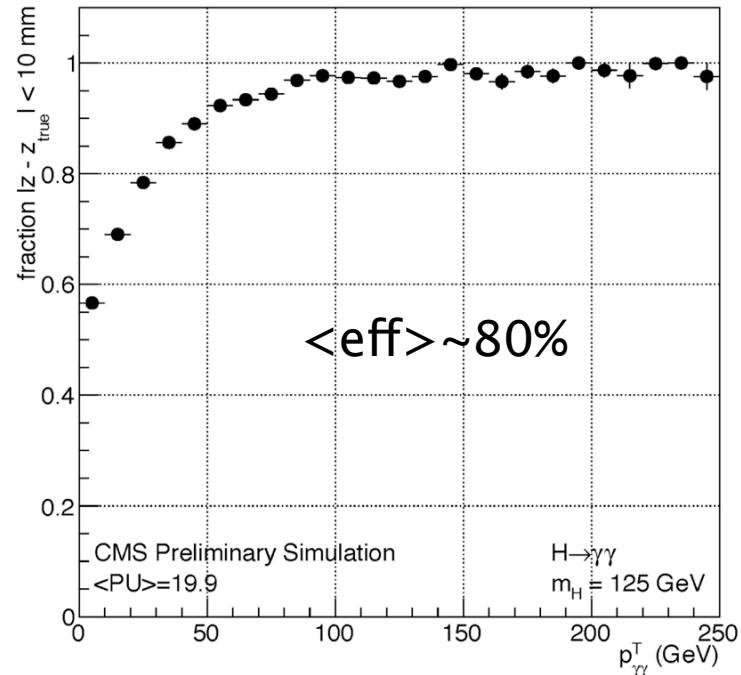
- Cut-based photon ID:

- optimized separately in 4 categories
- high/low R9, EB/EE
- variables: H/E,  $\sigma/\eta$ , PF isolation

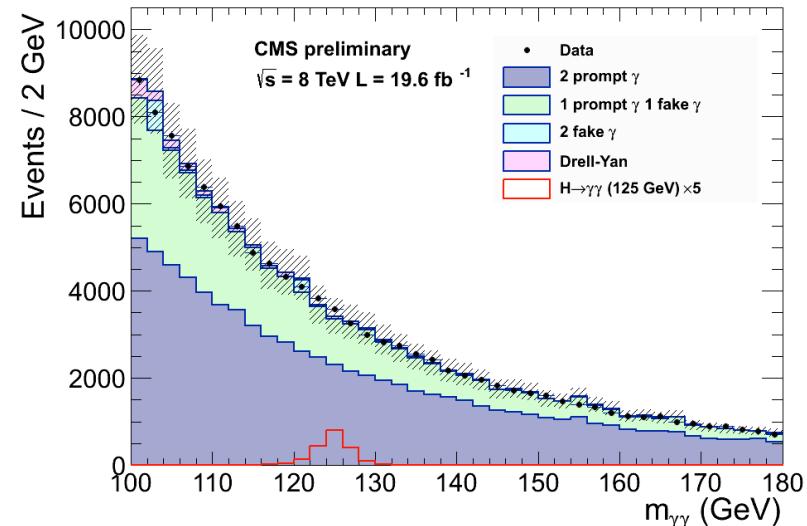
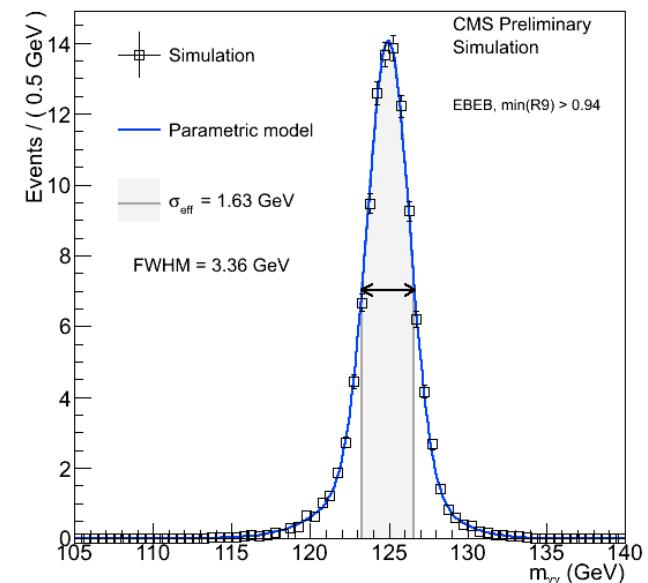


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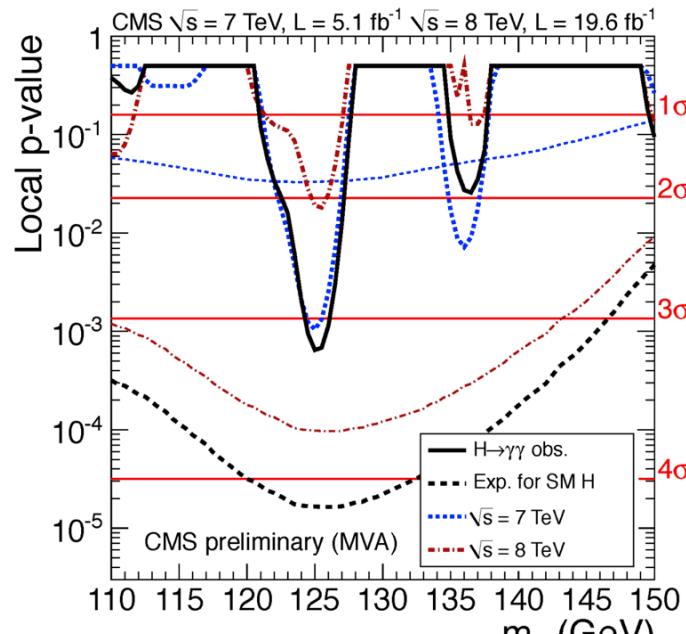
- Running conditions:
  - $\langle N_{\text{vtx}} \rangle = 9.5$  @ 7 TeV ( $\sigma_z = 6\text{cm}$ )
  - $\langle N_{\text{vtx}} \rangle = 19.9$  @ 8 TeV ( $\sigma_z = 5\text{cm}$ )
- No tracking information for photons
  - use kinematics correlations + conversion direction
- MVA-based vertex ID:
  - classification (BDT), variables:
    - sum  $p_T^2$
    - tracks/diphoton balance,
    - sum  $p_T(\text{tracks})$ -diphoton asymmetry
- if  $d(\text{vtx}_{\text{true}} - \text{vtx}_{\text{chosen}}) < 1\text{ cm}$  vtx, contribution to  $\sigma_{\text{mass}}$  negligible
 
$$m_{\gamma\gamma} = \sqrt{2E_1 E_2 (1 - \cos\theta)}$$
- MVA-based vertex probability:
  - classification (BDT)
  - BDT classifier to select events within 1cm
    - score proportional to the right-vertex probability
    - input to diphoton classification



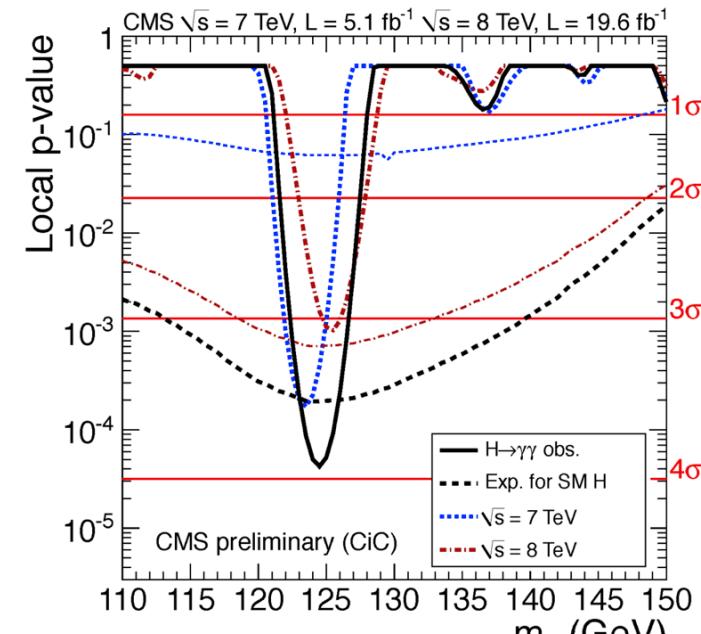
- Parametric signal model:
  - sum of gaussians
  - up to 3 gaussians depending on the category
- Background model
  - fit the data with different functional forms (sums of exponentials, sums of power law terms, Laurent series and polynomials)
  - choose the lowest order of the functional form fitting the data
    - p-value < 0.05 → “truth functions”
  - use the truth functions to throw toy-MC
  - choose the lowest order functional form such that bias on the signal strength <20% of the uncertainty on the background
    - systematics on the background shape can be neglected
  - Polynomials from 2–5 full fill the requirements



# H $\rightarrow$ $\gamma\gamma$ : More Results



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