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Searches for diboson resonances at CMS

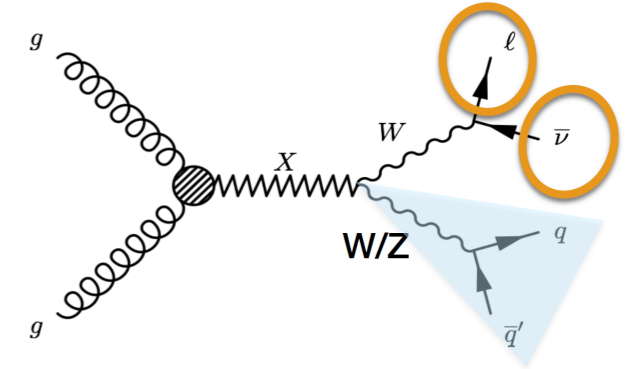
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Introduction

- Heavy BSM resonances ($\gtrsim 1$ TeV) may decay into SM bosons (W, Z, H)
- Plethora of final states, each one with its own peculiarities:



	$V \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	$W \rightarrow l\nu$	$Z \rightarrow ll$	$Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$	$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
$V \rightarrow q\bar{q}$	$VV \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$	--	--	--	--
$W \rightarrow l\nu$	$WV \rightarrow l\nu q\bar{q}$	--	--	--	--
$Z \rightarrow ll$	$ZV \rightarrow llq\bar{q}$	--	--	--	--
$Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$	--	--	--	--	--
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	$VH \rightarrow q\bar{q}b\bar{b}$	$WH \rightarrow l\nu b\bar{b}$	$ZH \rightarrow llb\bar{b}$	$ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu b\bar{b}$	$HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$

Heavy vector triplet (HVT)

Heavy Z' , W' predicted by several models:
 Little Higgs, composite Higgs, Minimal Walking Technicolor

Two possible scenarios:

1. coupling to fermions dominating (**Model A**)
2. coupling to fermions suppressed w.r.t. SM bosons dominating (**Model B**)

Warped Extra Dimension (WED)

WED models as possible solution to the hierarchy problem

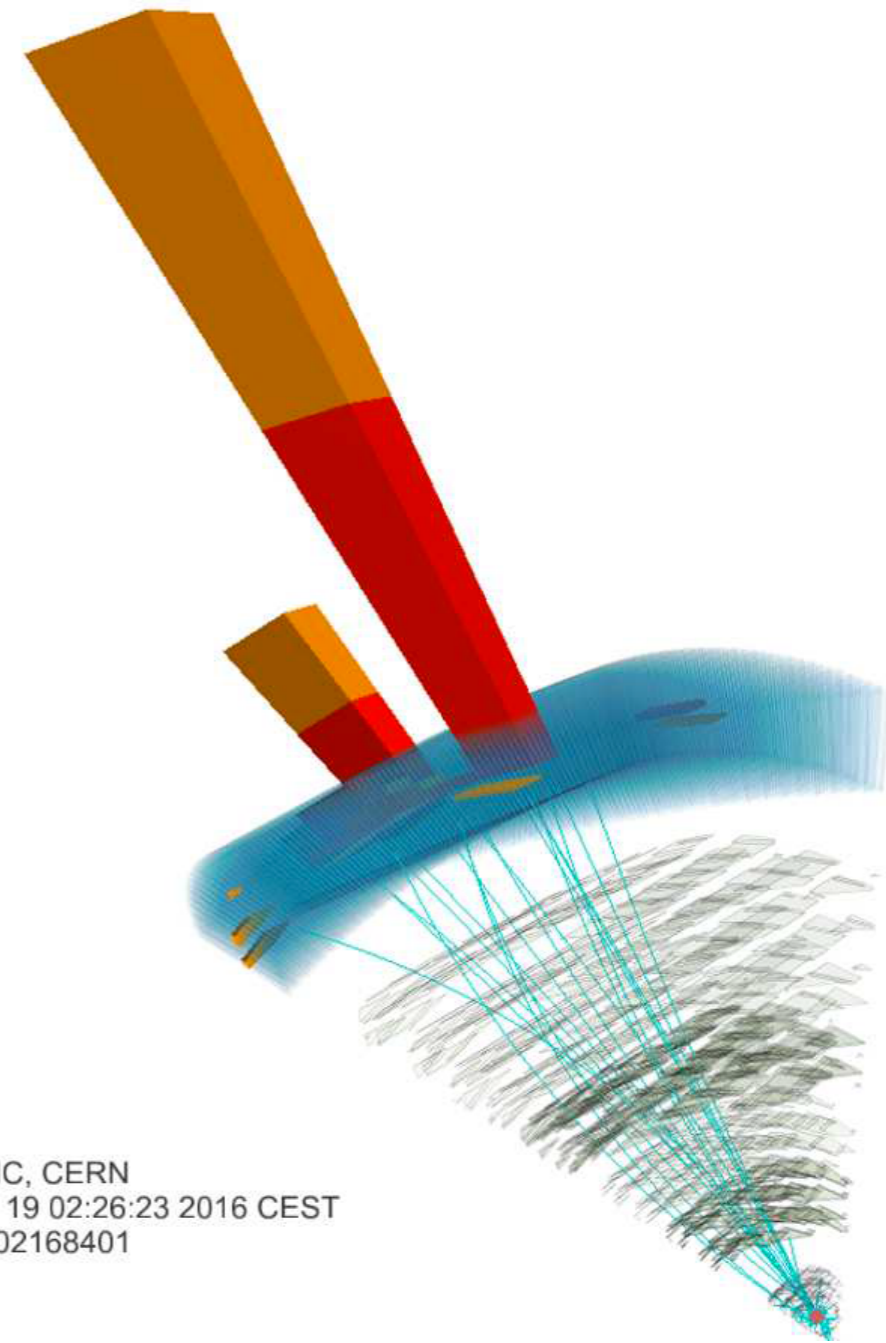
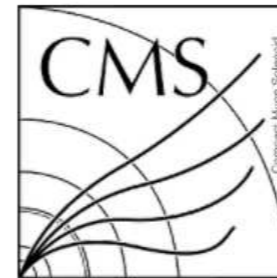
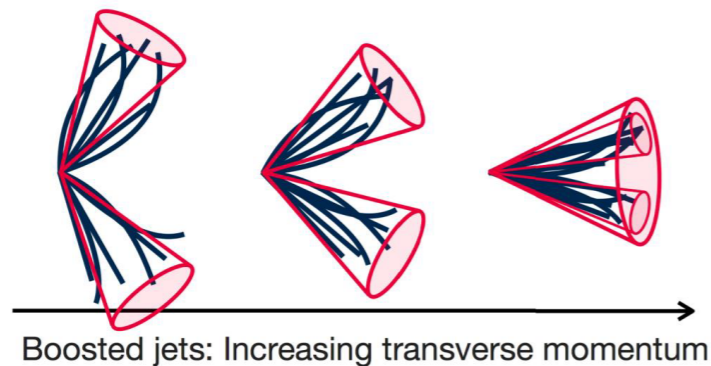
Radion (spin-0) and Graviton (spin-2)

Production through DY and gluon-fusion, decay to WW, ZZ, HH

Reconstruction & Identification

- **Challenges**

- SM bosons decay mostly to quarks ($q\bar{q}$, $b\bar{b}$)
- Due to the large Lorentz boost W , Z , H decay products merge in to a single jet
- Clustered within a large-cone jet ($R=0.8$)
- Investigation of the **jet substructure**
- **Groomed jet mass** to mitigate pileup contamination



CMS Experiment at LHC, CERN
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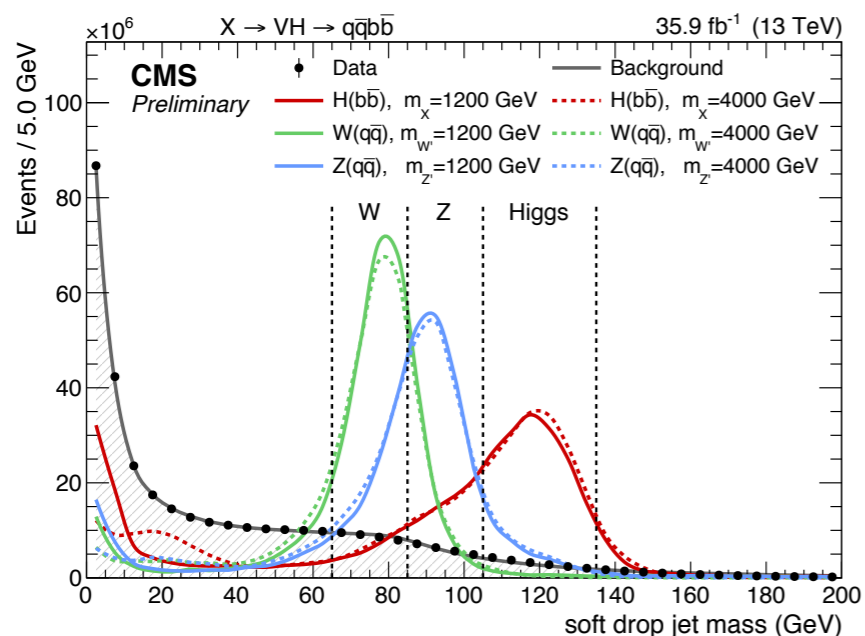
Reconstruction & Identification

- Grooming and jet mass**

Boosted large-R jets (R=0.8) can be easily contaminated by pileup interactions.

“Grooming” is to remove those pileup contaminations, to achieve stronger discrimination power for boosted jets.

- PUPPI algorithm** ([JHEP10\(2014\)059](#)): pileup mitigation algorithm identifying and assigning small weights to the pileup particles served as input to jet clustering.
- Softdrop algorithm** ([JHEP05\(2014\)146](#)): dropping soft jet constitution particles.



- Vector boson tagging (V → qq̄)**

The V-jets tagging variables and V/H-jet mass are calculated based on the ***groomed jets***

Distinguish: Boosted W/Z jets (2-prong) vs. QCD q/g jets (1-prong)

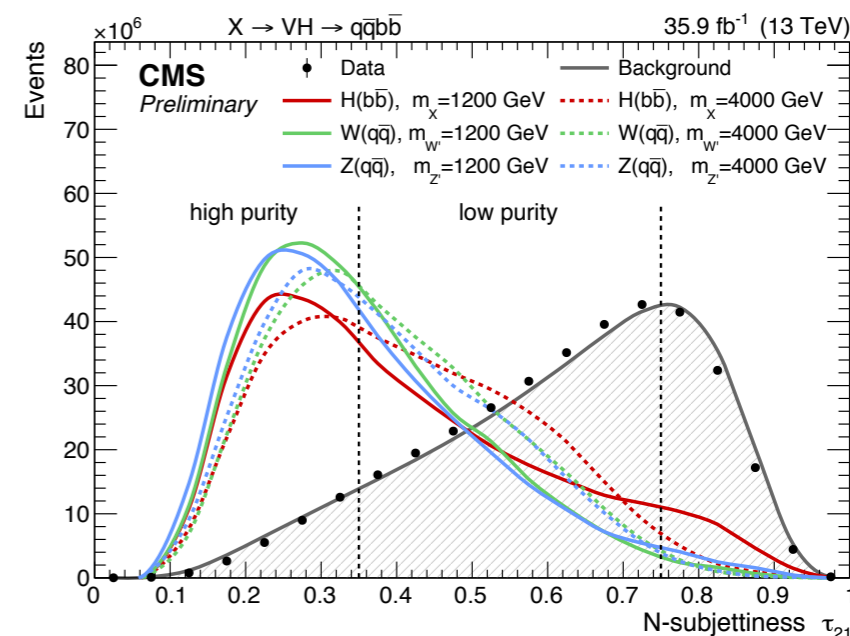
- N-subjettiness** ([arXiv:1011.2268](#)): how likely is a jet to have “N” subjets

$$\tau_N = \frac{1}{d_0} \sum_k p_{T,k} \times \min(\Delta R_{1,k}, \Delta R_{2,k}, \dots, \Delta R_{N,k})$$

$$d_0 = \sum_k p_{T,k} \times R_0$$

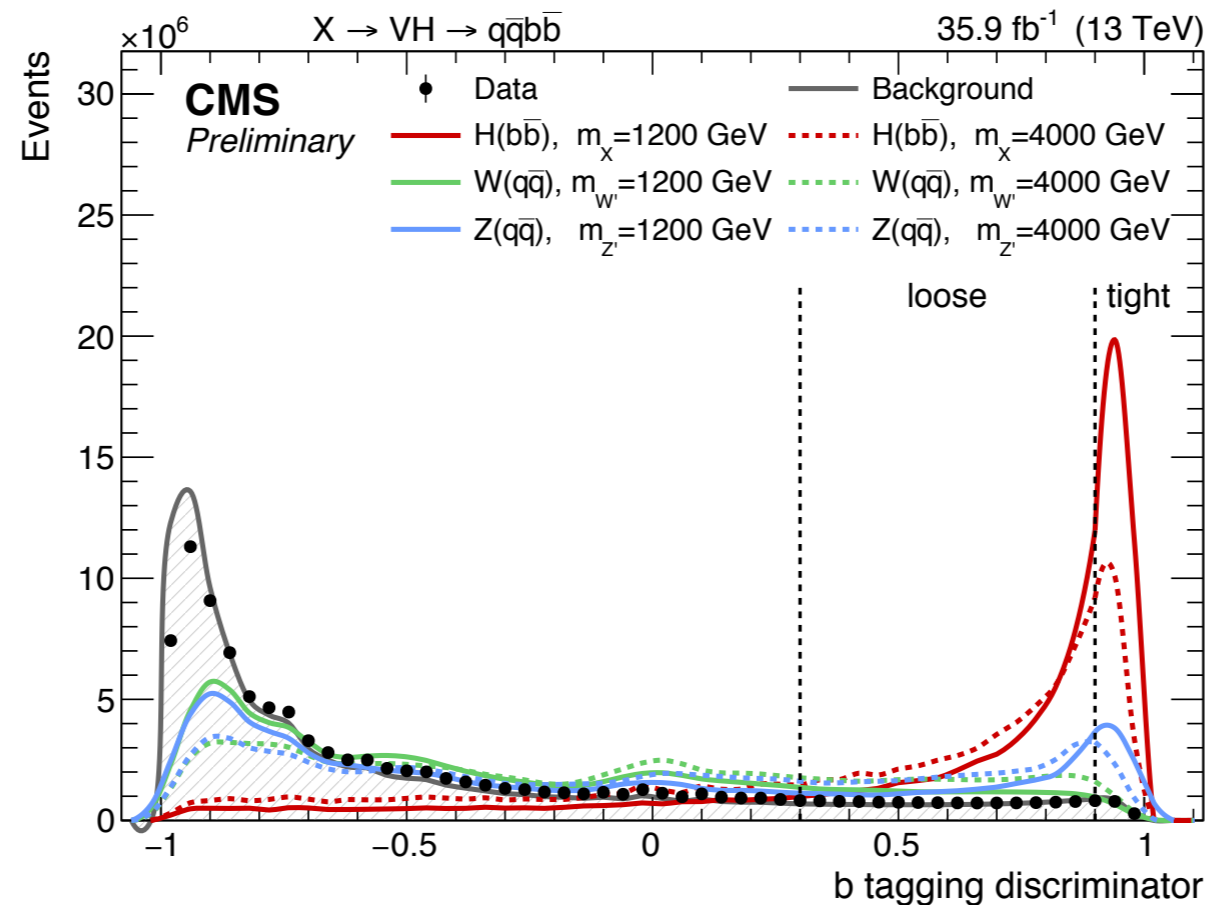
Wjet tagger

$$\tau_2/\tau_1 = \tau_{21}$$



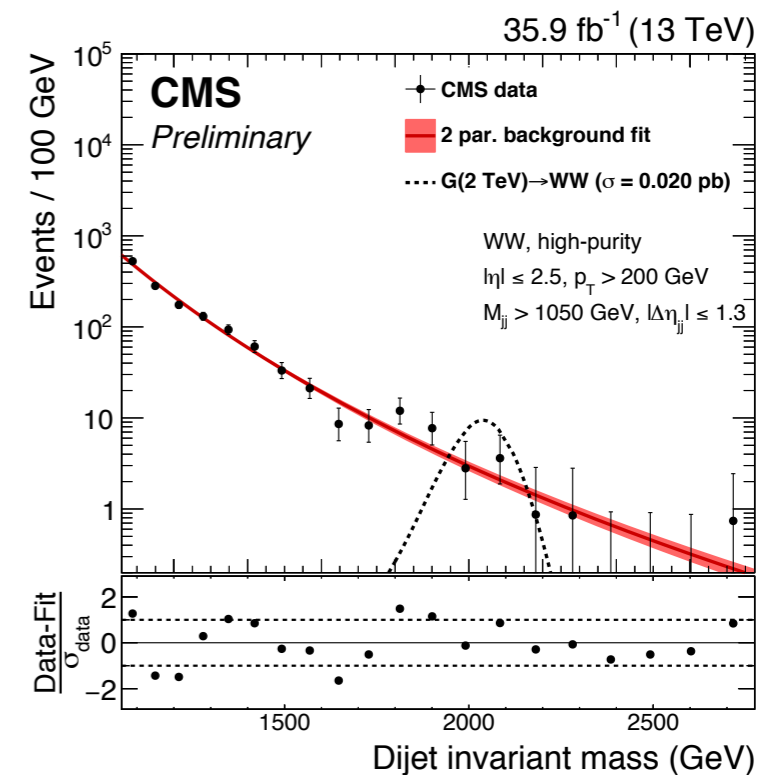
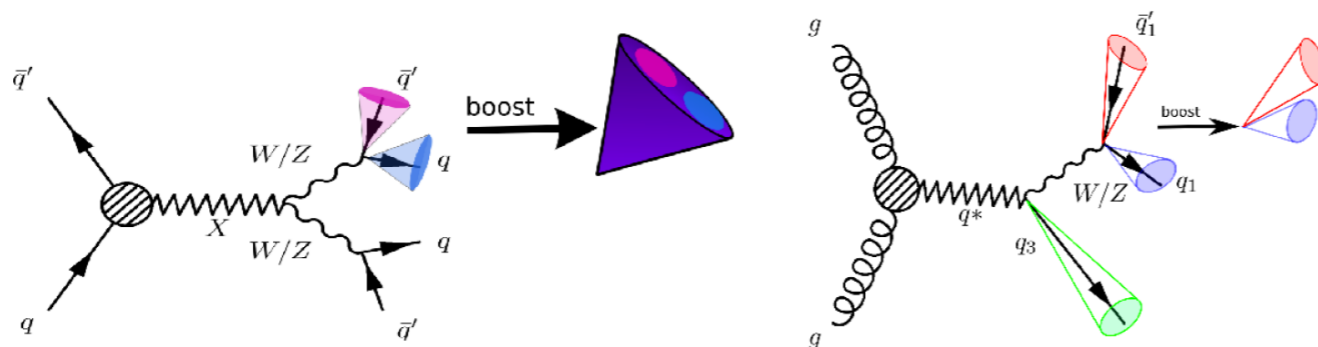
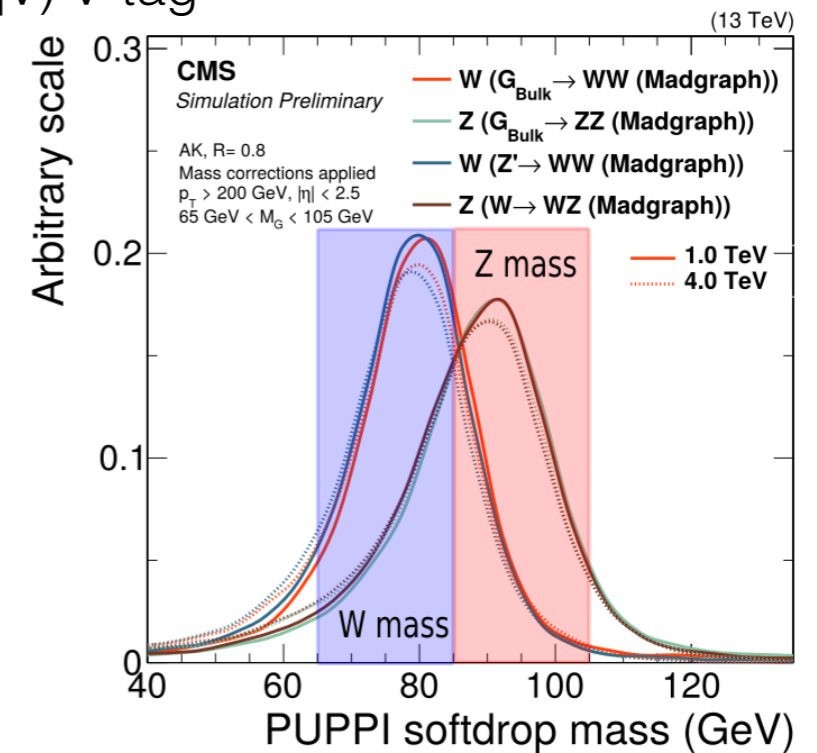
Reconstruction & Identification

- **Higgs boson tagging ($H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$)** (CMS-PAS-BTV-15-002)
- Exploit b-tagging to identify **two** b-quarks within the same jet
- Also use soft lepton (e, μ) information
- Combines tracking and vertexing information in an MVA



$X \rightarrow VV \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$

- All-hadronic resonance search with double (VV) or single (qV) V-tag
- Event categorization:
 - V-jet mass: W ($65 < m_j < 85\text{GeV}$) or Z ($85 < m_j < 105\text{GeV}$)
 - V-jet τ_{21} : high purity ($\tau_{21} < 0.35$), low purity ($0.35 < \tau_{21} < 0.75$)
 - 6 categories for VV: (WW/WZ/ZZ) \times (HP/LP)
 - 4 categories for qV: (W/Z) \times (HP/LP)
- Background modeling:
 - Multijets (dominant), $t\bar{t}$, V-jets
 - “bump-hunt” fit with power law functions directly to data
 - Number of parameters (2-5) determined with Fisher-test

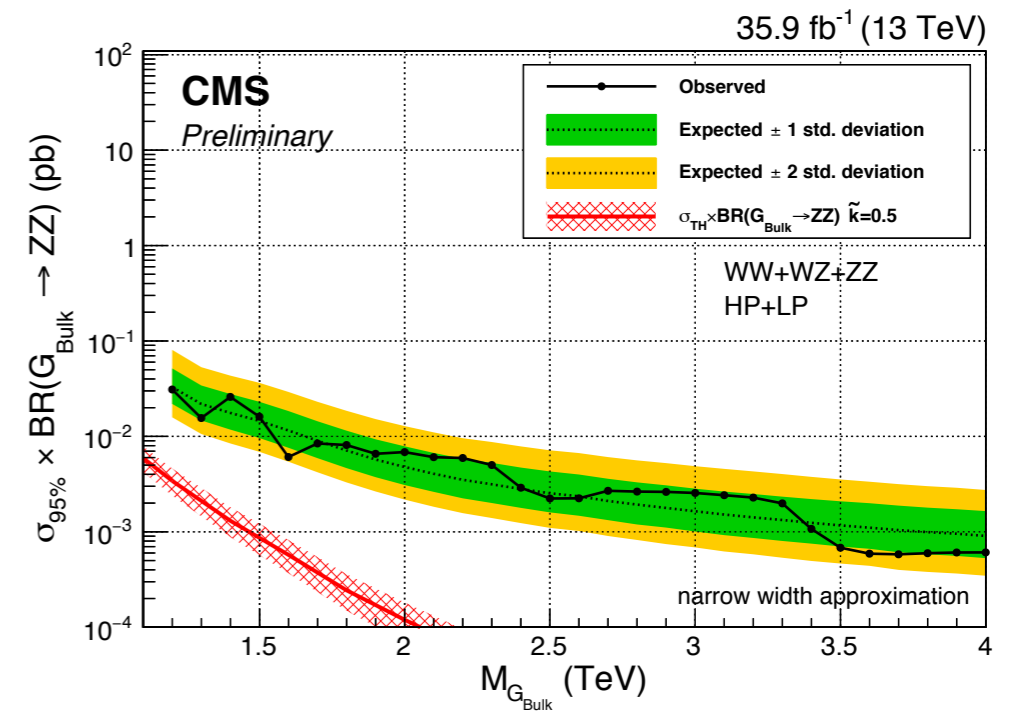
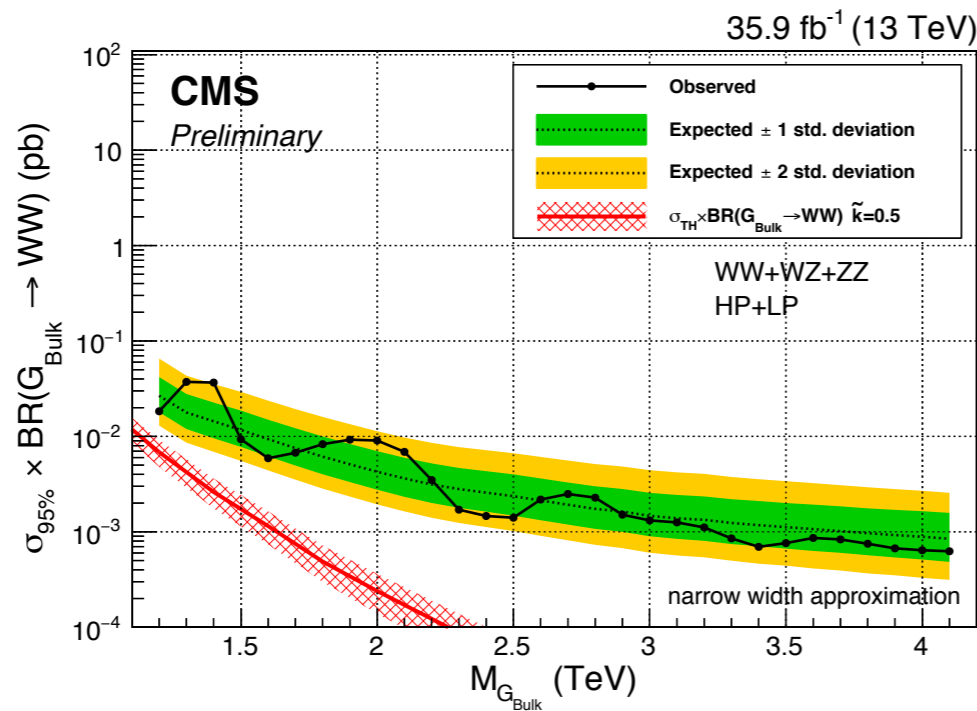


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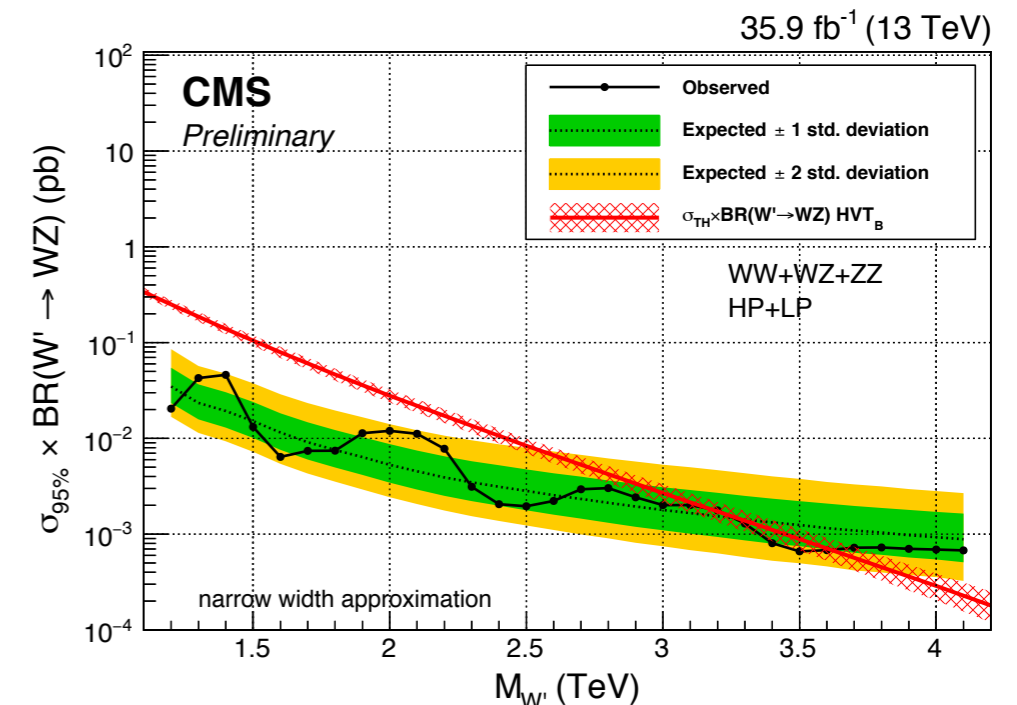
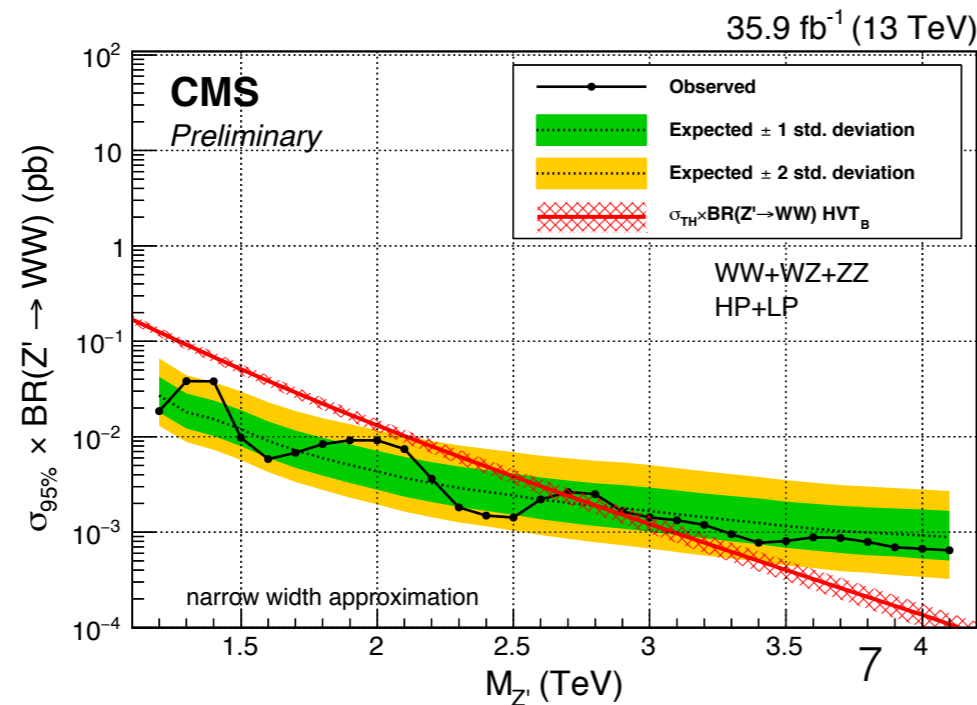
CMS-PAS-B2G-17-001

- No significant excess found in data
- Currently, the most stringent limits on $m_{Z'} < 2.7$ TeV and $m_{W'} < 3.6$ TeV

G_{Bulk}



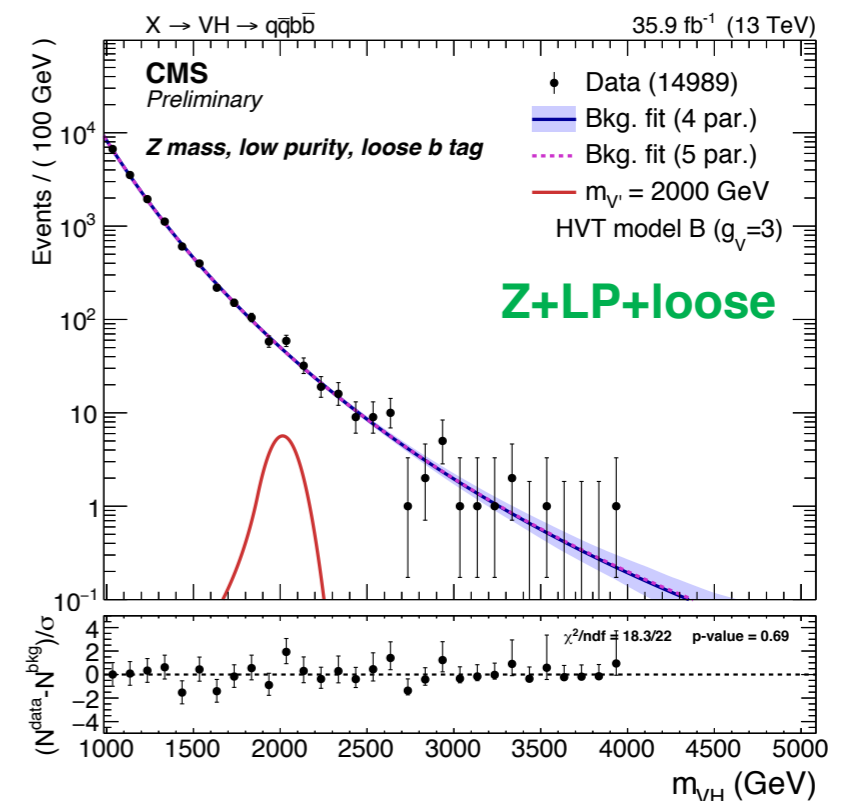
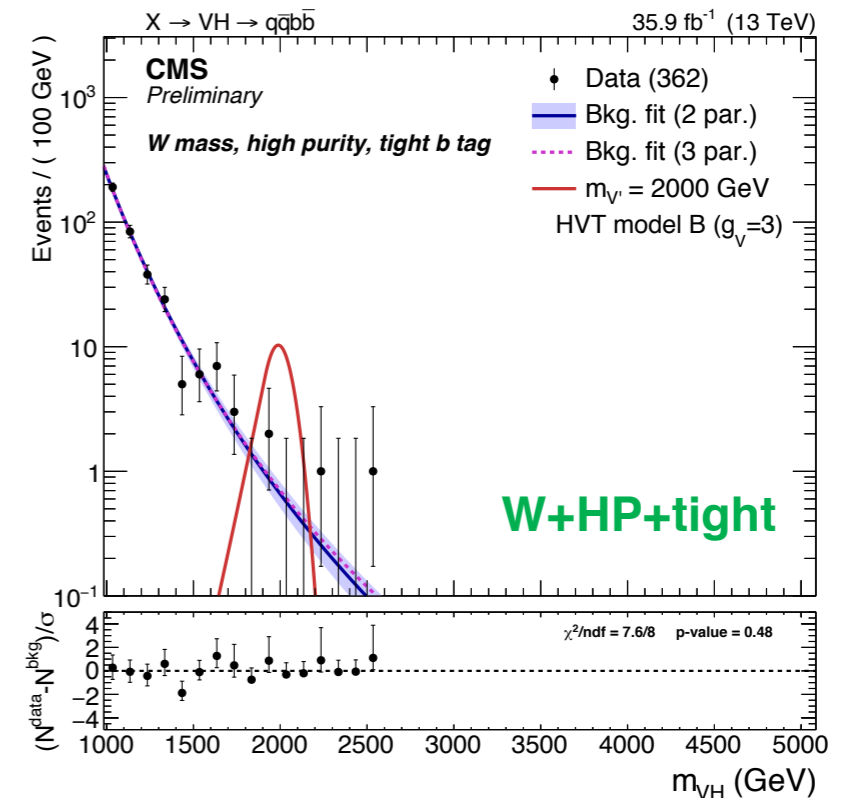
Z'/W'



$X \rightarrow VH \rightarrow q\bar{q}b\bar{b}$

CMS-PAS-B2G-17-002

- All-hadronic resonance search for $V \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ and $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Similar topology and background estimation to VV resonances search, but dedicated identification for $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ (b-tagging)
- Same pre-selections as VV , $2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$ categories depending on:
 1. V-jet mass: W ($65 < m_j < 85 \text{ GeV}$) or Z ($85 < m_j < 105 \text{ GeV}$)
 2. V-jet τ_{21} : high purity ($\tau_{21} < 0.35$), low purity ($0.35 < \tau_{21} < 0.75$)
 3. H-jet b-tagging: tight ($H_{bb} > 0.9$) and loose ($0.3 < H_{bb} < 0.9$) b-tag
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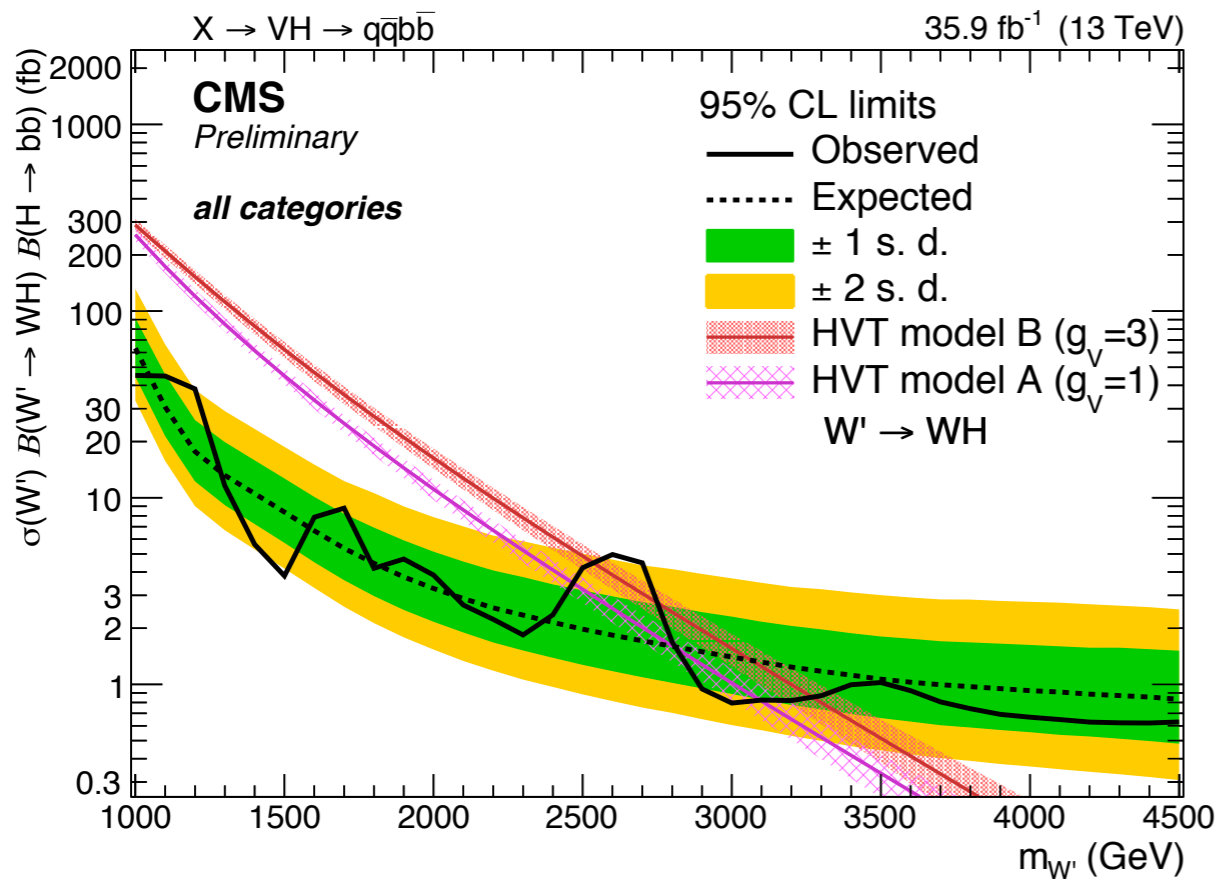


$X \rightarrow VH \rightarrow q\bar{q}b\bar{b}$

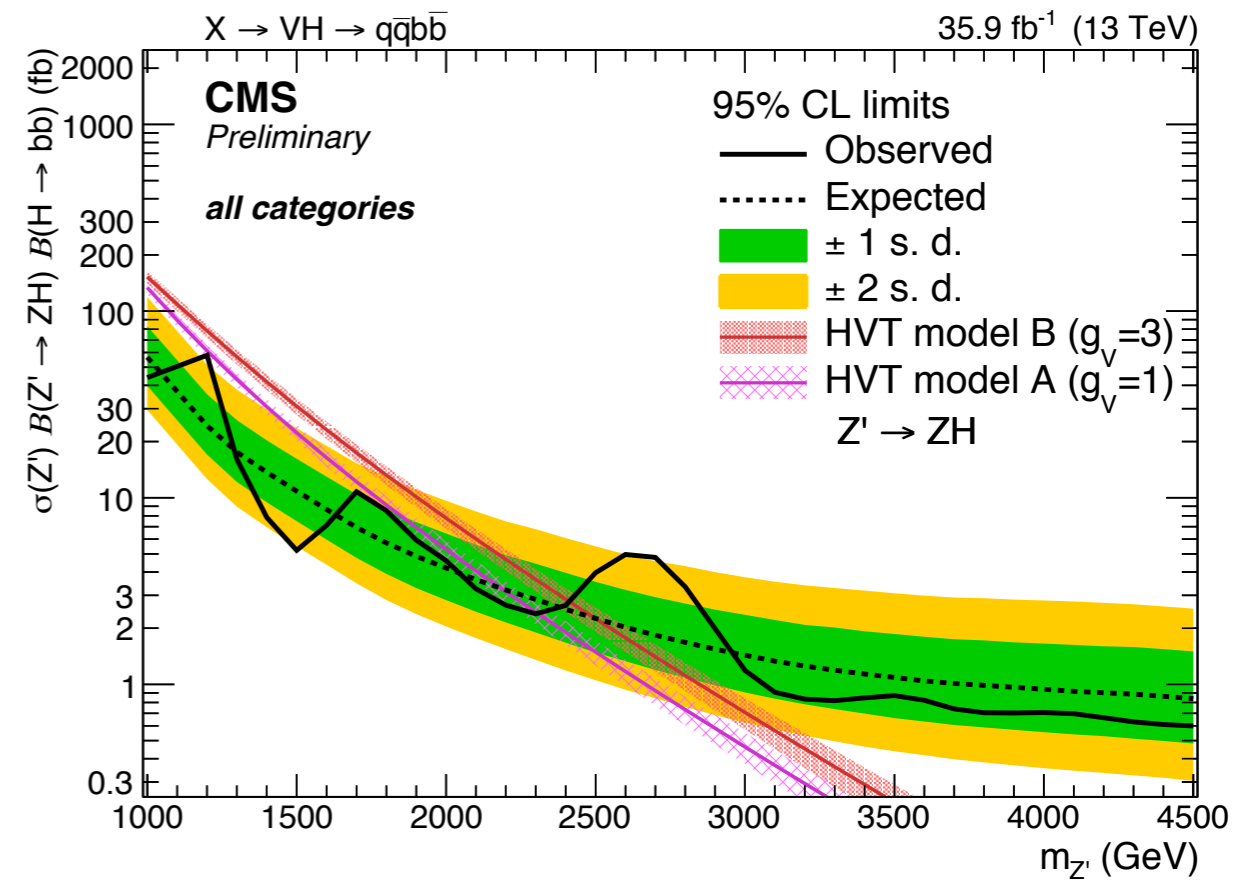
CMS-PAS-B2G-17-002

- No significant excess found in data
- Sensitivity close to VV search ($m_{Z'} < 2.4$ TeV and $m_{W'} < 3.3$ TeV)
- Combined exclusion in triplet hypothesis ($m_{V'} < 3.4$ TeV)

W'



Z'



$X \rightarrow HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$

CMS-PAS-B2G-16-026

- All-hadronic resonance search for double $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Preselection:
 0. Tight jet ID with lepton veto, $|\Delta\eta(j_1, j_2)| < 1.3$
 1. V-jet mass: H ($105 < m_j < 135 \text{ GeV}$)
 2. V-jet τ_{21} : high purity ($\tau_{21} < 0.55$)
 3. H-jet b-tagging: tight ($H_{bb} > 0.9$) and loose ($0.3 < H_{bb} < 0.9$) b-tag \rightarrow TT and LL category

Background modeling:

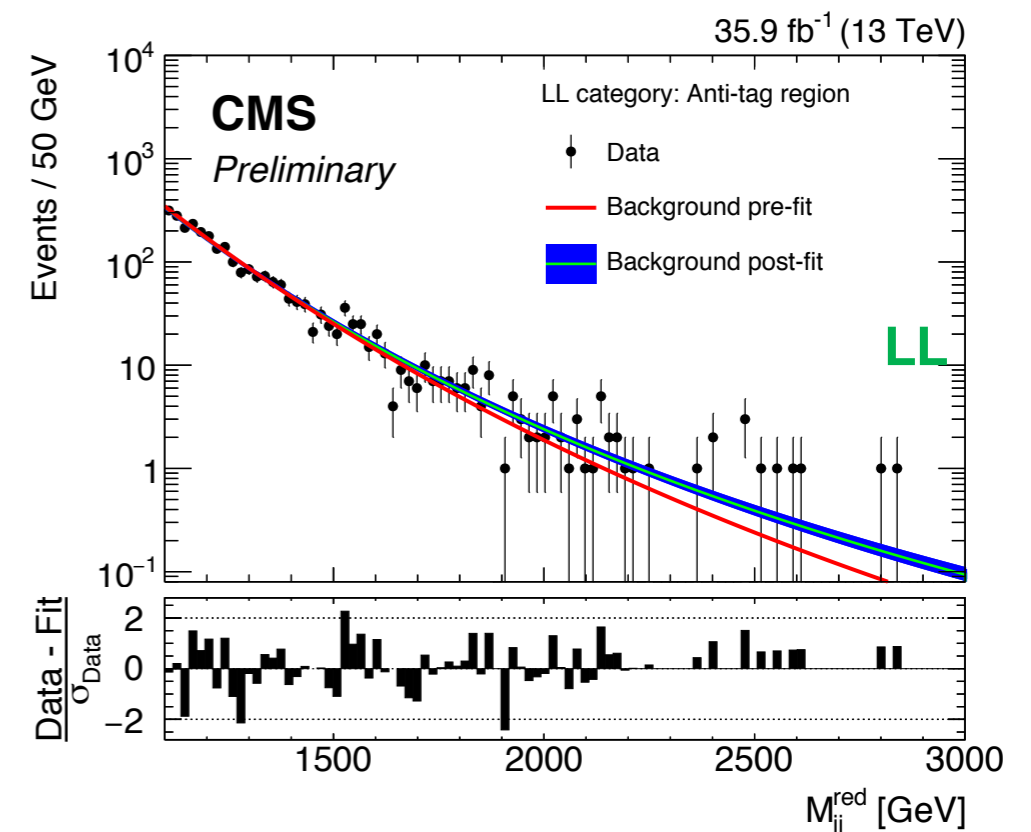
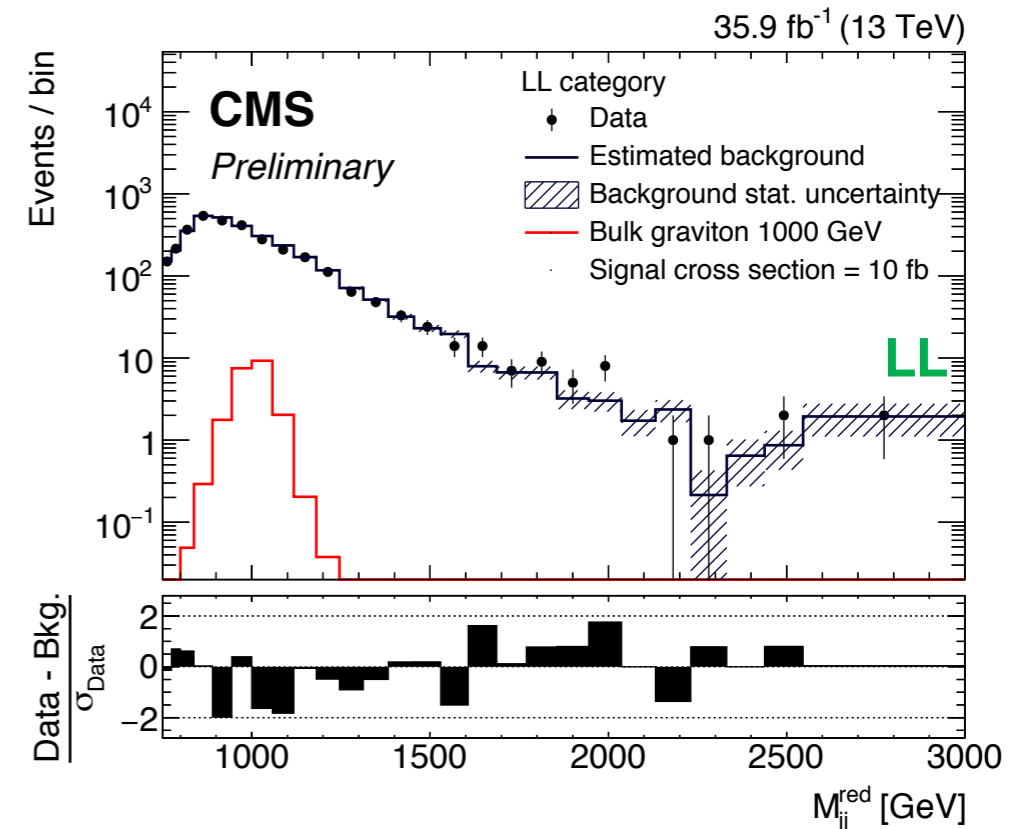
Almost all background due to QCD multijet production.
(Tiny fraction from other sources, but measured inclusively using the data.)

Low mass: $750 < M(X) < 1200 \text{ Ge}$

Alphabet method (extended ABCD method).

High mass: $M(X) \geq 1200 \text{ GeV}$

Alphabet-assisted bump hunt: AABH.-- Bump hunt with constraints on the normalization.



$X \rightarrow HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$

- Alphabet method:**

Predicting background normalization and M_{jj} red shape based on several sidebands (generalized ABCD method)

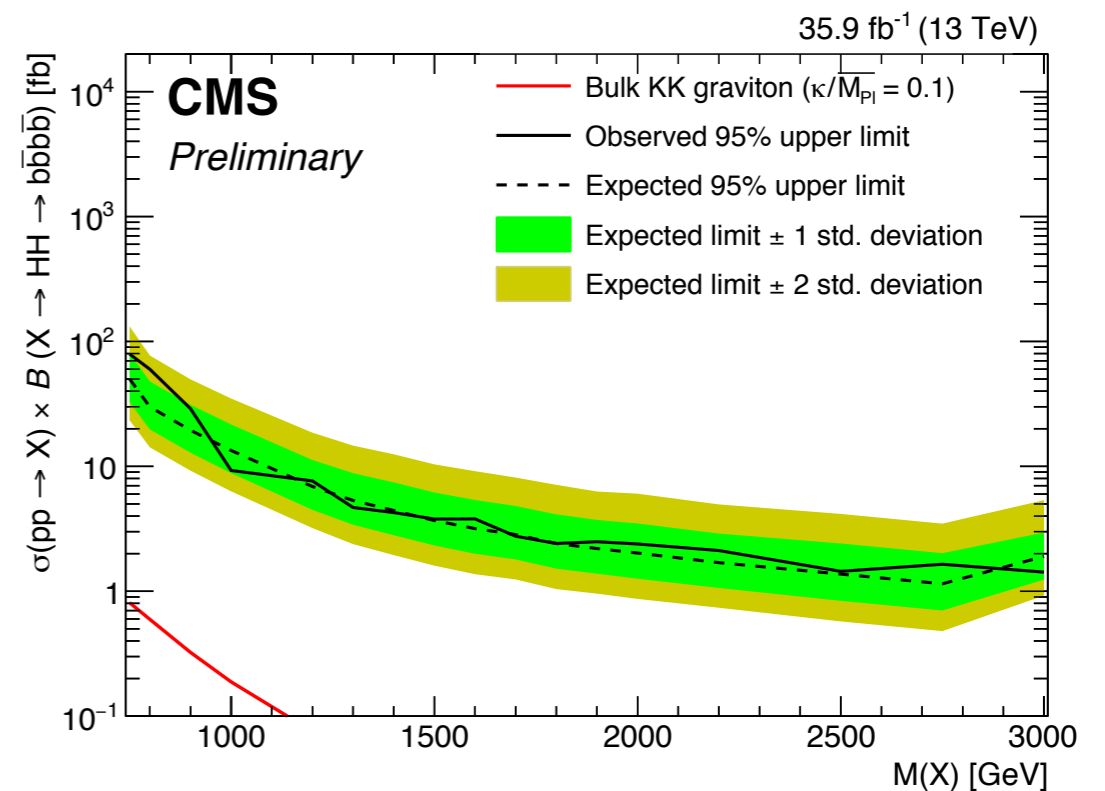
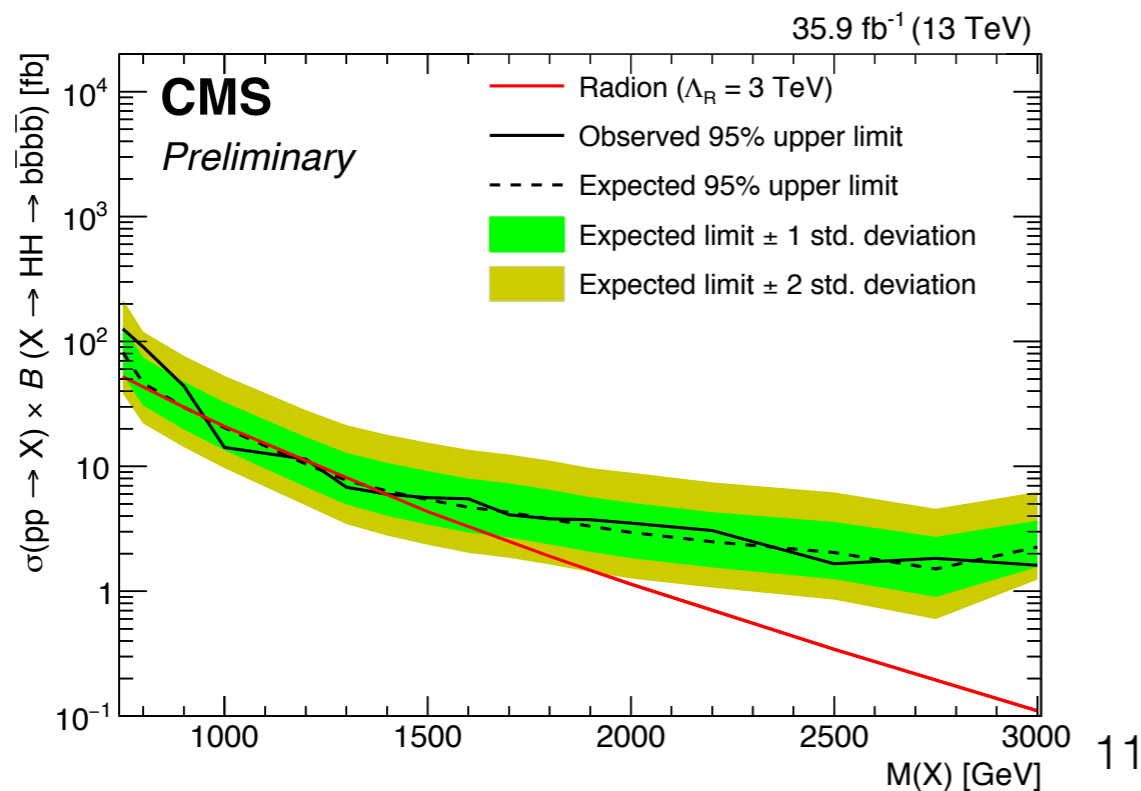
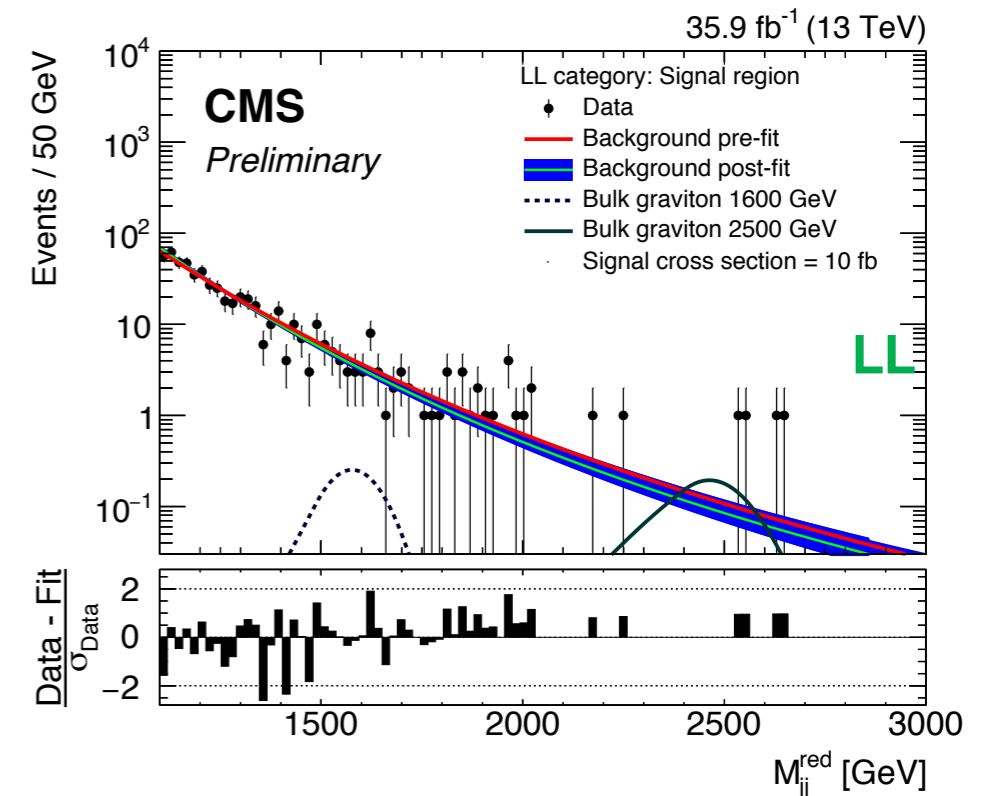
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Jet soft drop mass

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- Anti-tag region $\times R_{p/f}$ = Background in the signal region

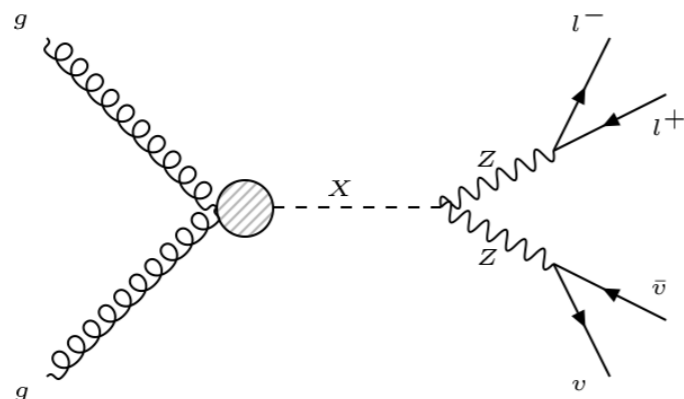


$$X \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow l^- l^+ \nu \bar{\nu}$$

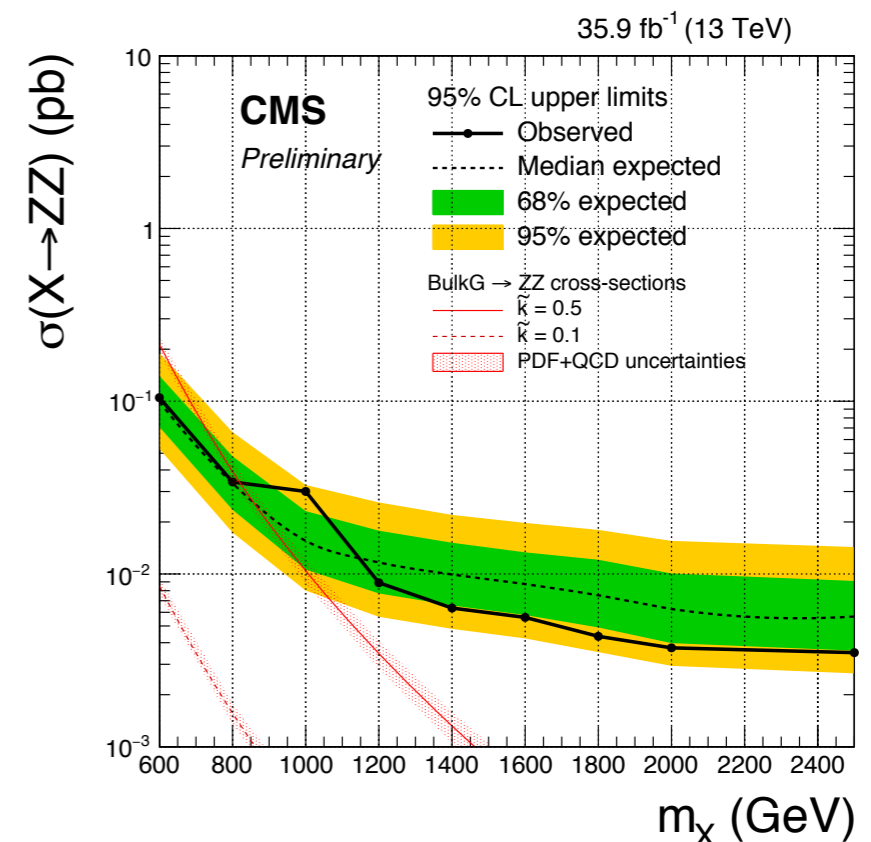
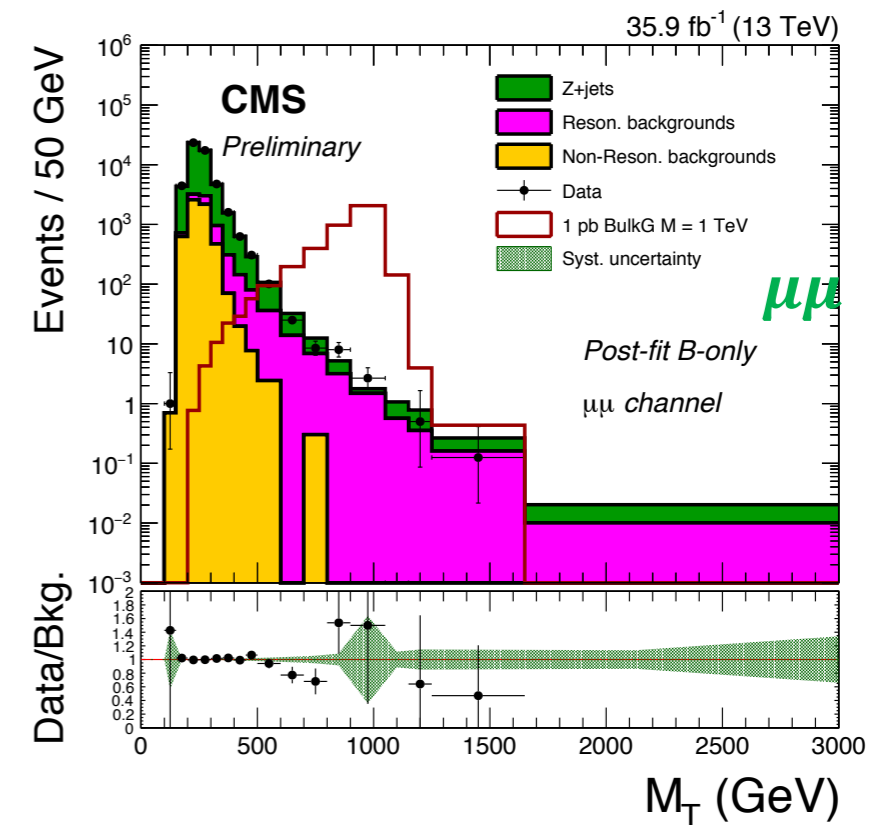
- A highly boosted Z decay to a pair of leptons, High MET from the other Z decay into neutrinos
- Use transverse mass m_T as the observable to separate signal over background
- data:

single e/ μ data

- Background modeling:
 - main: Z+jets:** data driven by $\gamma + jets$ data (Z+jets MC only for validation)
 - resonance background: WZ, ttZ** (MC)
 - non-resonance background: WW, tt** data driven by di-lep ($e\mu$) data



CMS-PAS-B2G-16-023



$X \rightarrow ZV \rightarrow llq\bar{q}$

CMS-PAS-B2G-16-022

- Search for resonances in the $Z \rightarrow ee$ or $\mu\mu$, $V \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ (either W or Z) channel:

Clean final state (leptons)

Good mass resolution

Large signal efficiency (~65%)

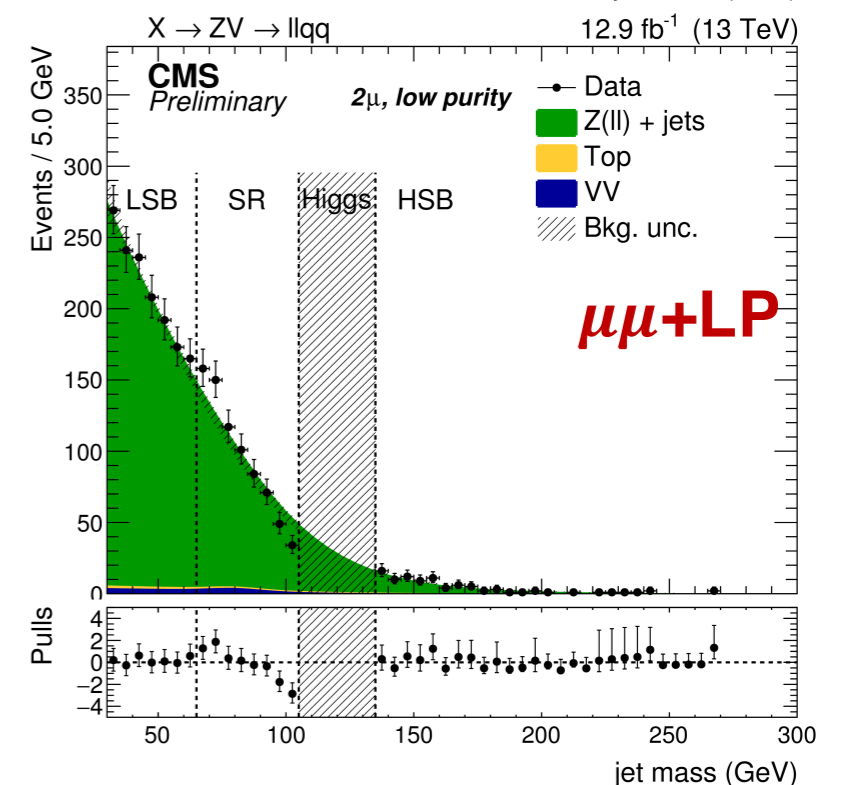
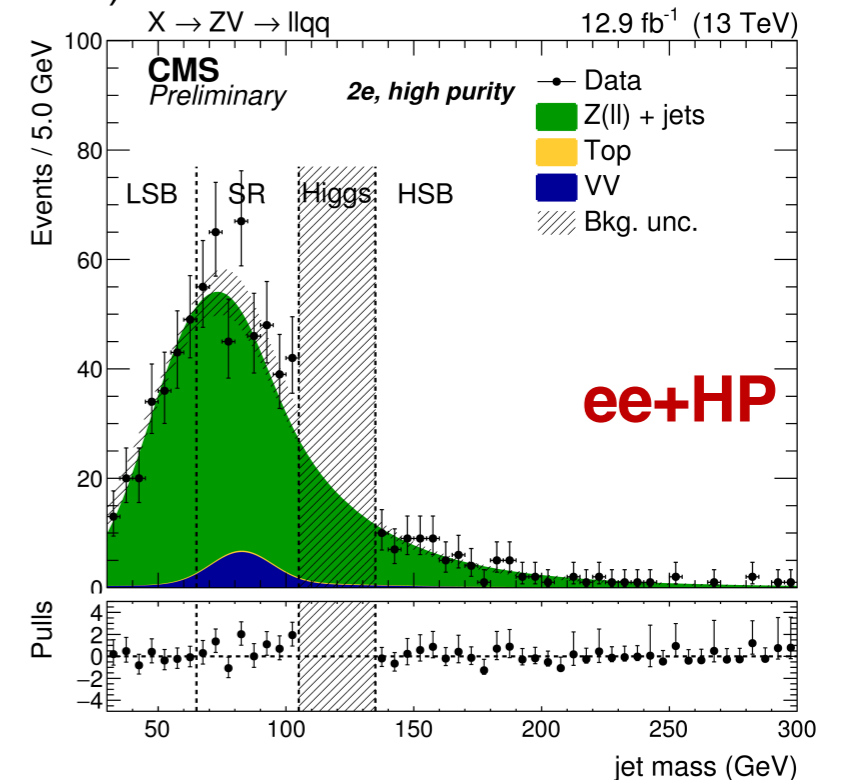
Penalized by $Z \rightarrow ll$ branching fraction

- Search with ICHEP dataset (12.9fb⁻¹)
- Usual τ_{21} categorization (HP, LP)

- α -method background estimation**

- Normalization**

- Use suitable functions to parameterize main bkg (Z+jets)
- Fit them to data in the m_j sidebands (LSB & HSB)
- Take shape of second bkg (VV, $t\bar{t}$) from simulation



$X \rightarrow ZV \rightarrow llq\bar{q}$

CMS-PAS-B2G-16-022

- α -method background estimation

- Shape

1. transfer function: $\alpha^{MC} = \frac{F_{WW}(SR)^{MC}}{F_{WW}(SB)^{MC}}$

2. Fit data $N_{SB}^{data}(m_X)$ in sideband

3. background expectation in SR

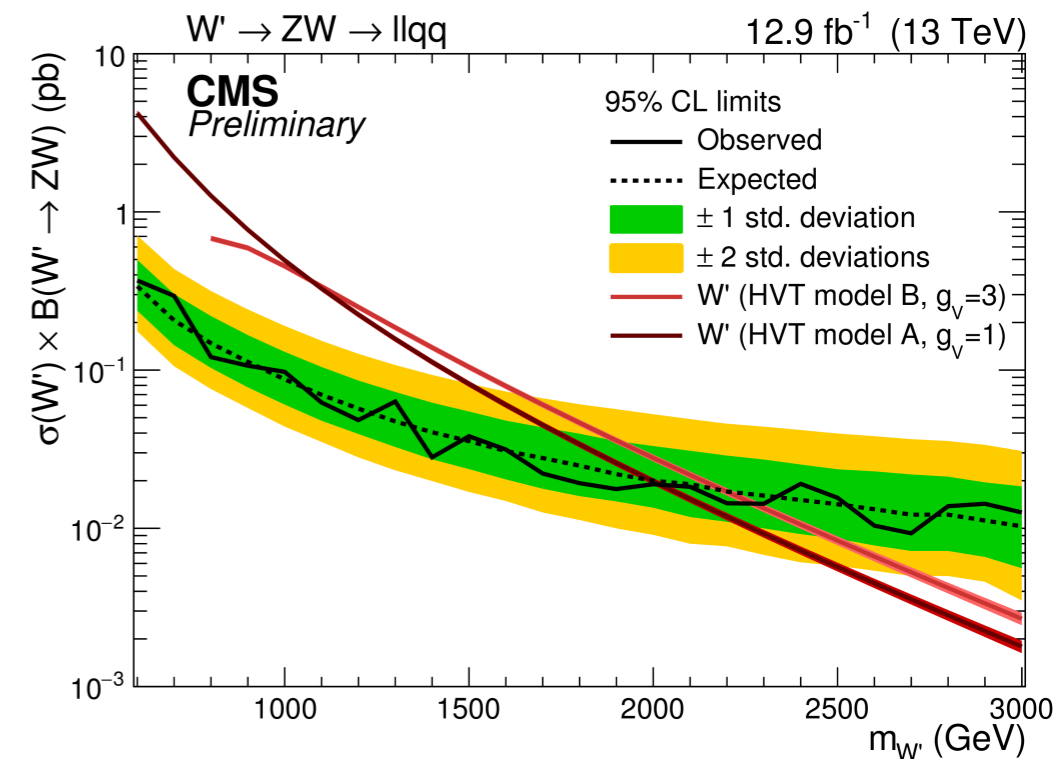
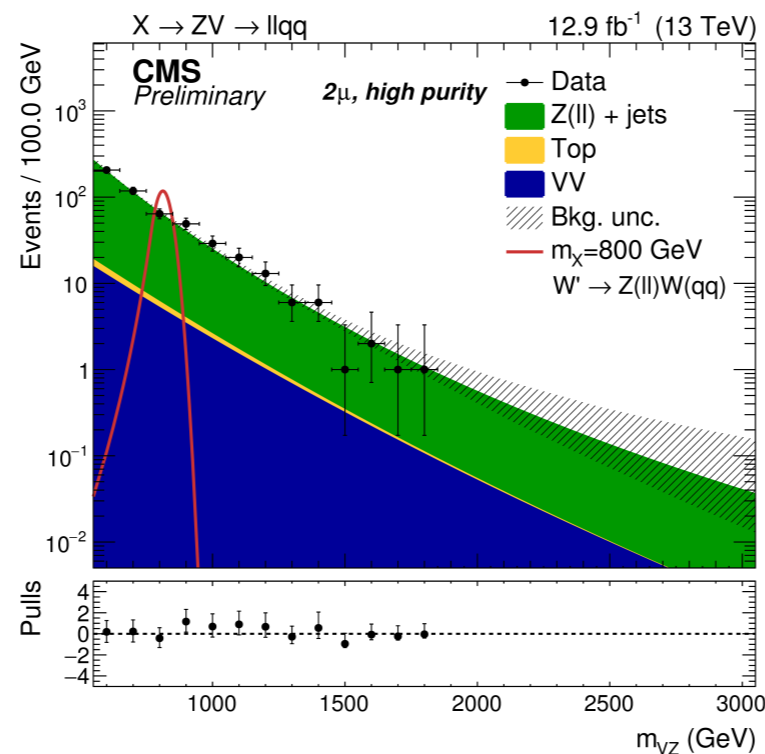
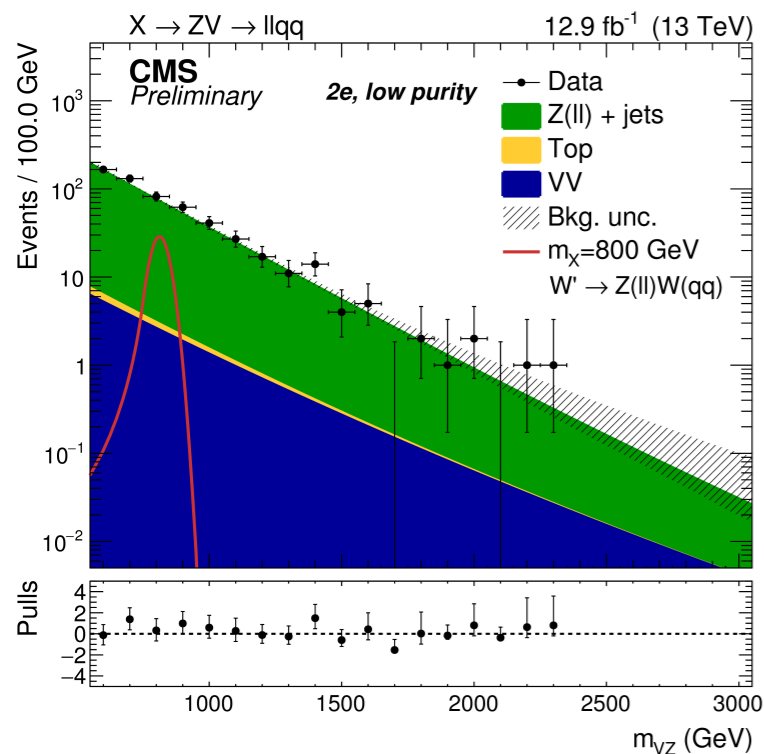
$$F_{WW}(SR)^{Data} = F_{WW}(SB)^{Data} \times \alpha^{MC}$$

- Data compatible with the SM-only hypothesis
- Exclusion limits at 95% CL of the spin-1 W' singlet

HVT model A: $m_{W'} \lesssim 2.0$ TeV

HVT model B: $m_{W'} \lesssim 2.3$ TeV

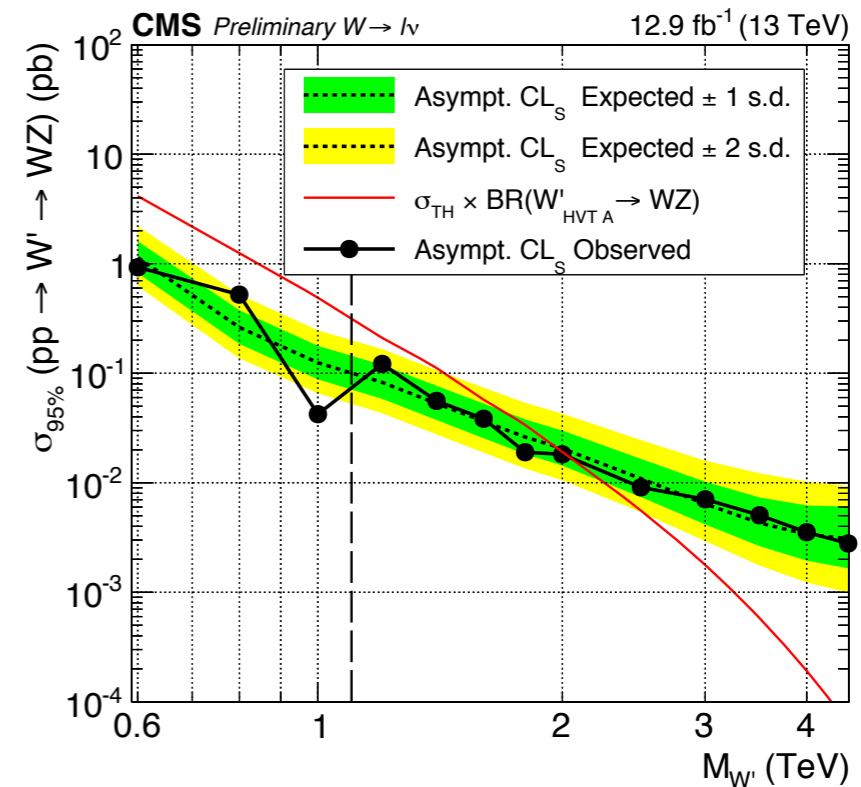
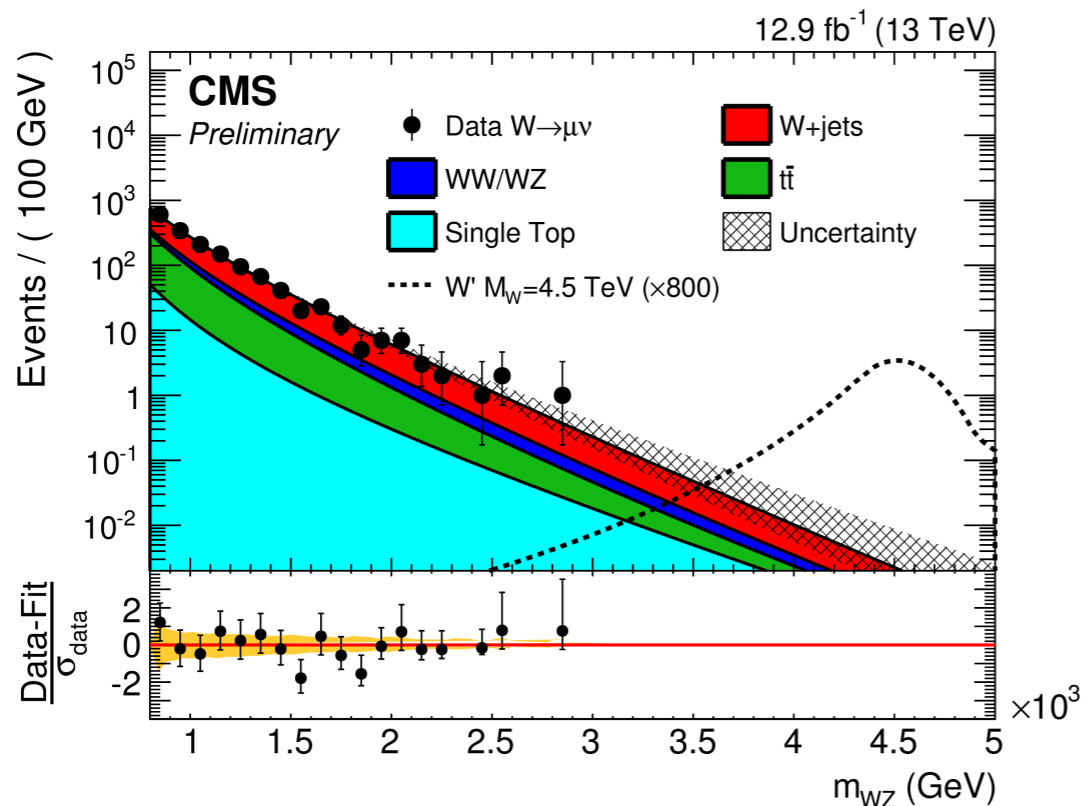
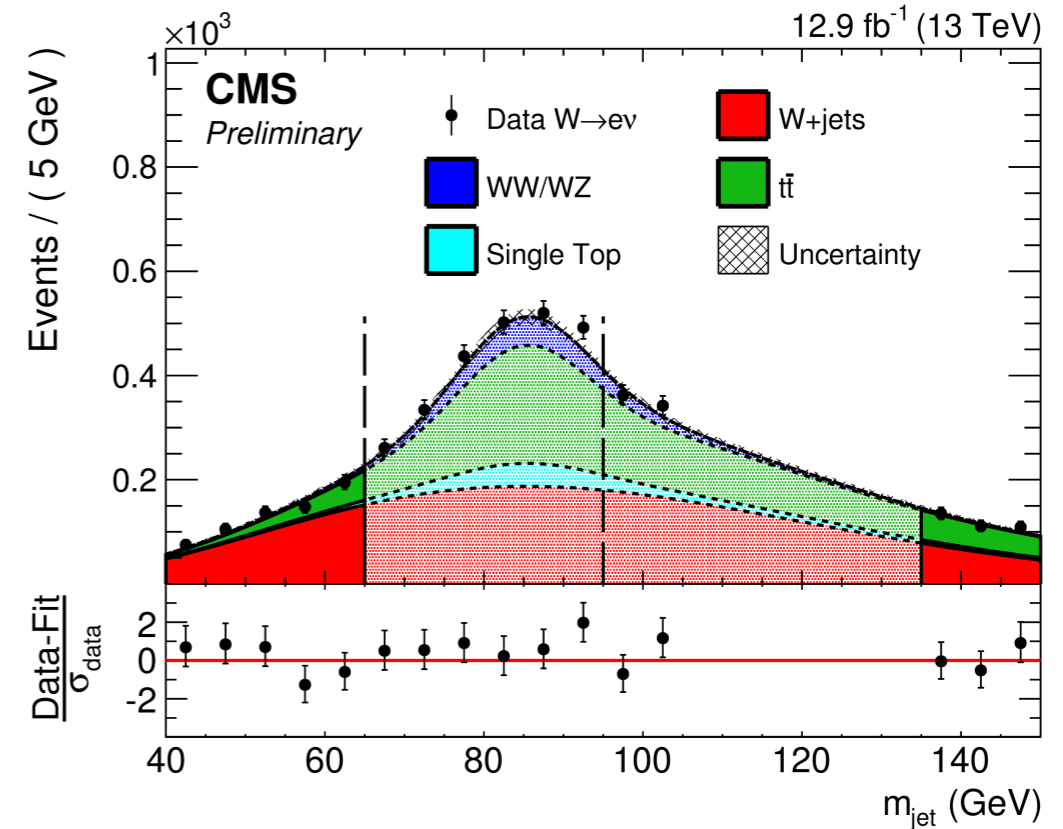
- Significant improvement w.r.t. 2015 search



$X \rightarrow WV \rightarrow l\nu q\bar{q}$

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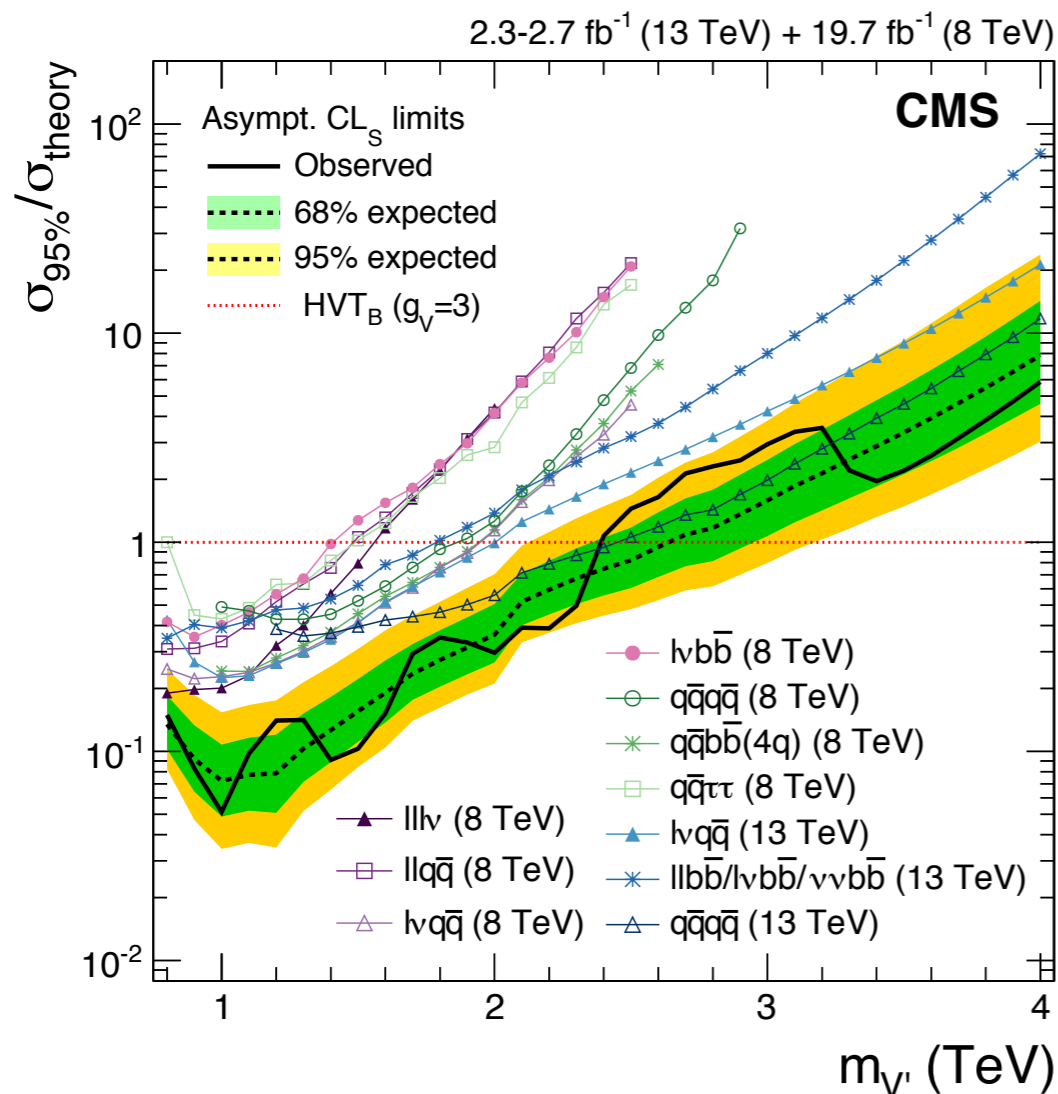
- Search for a resonance decaying to WV in the leptonic channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu, V \rightarrow q\bar{q}$)
- ICHEP dataset (12.9 fb^{-1})
- Categorization in τ_{21} and W/Z mass
- Low mass extension down to 600 GeV
- Kinematic reconstruction of p_Z^ν from m_W
- α -method for background prediction
- Sensitivity similar to $ZV \rightarrow llq\bar{q}$: HVT model A
 W' excluded up to 2.0 TeV



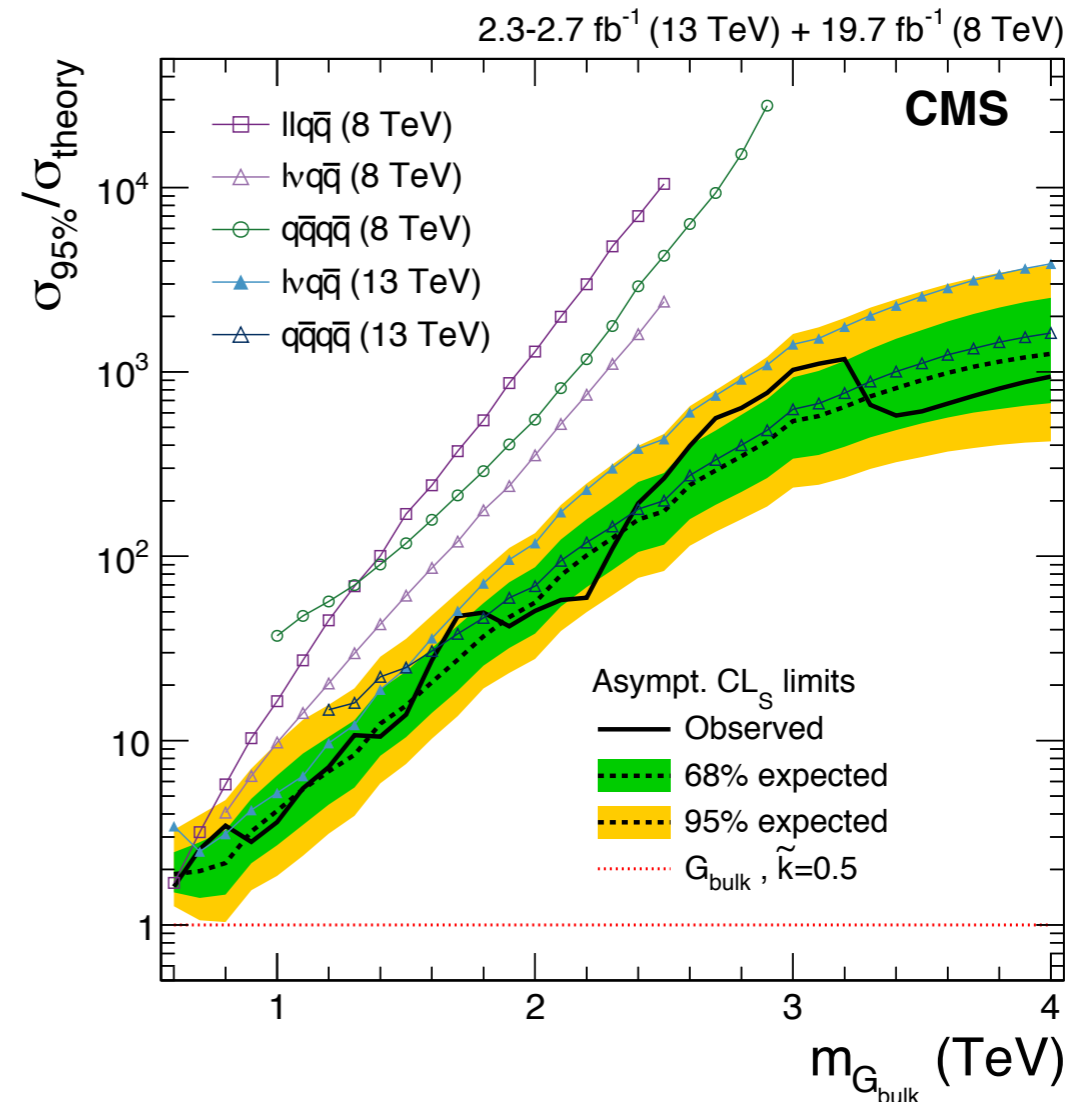
Combination

CMS-PAS-B2G-16-007

- Combination between 13 TeV (2015 data only) and 8 TeV searches [WW, WZ, ZZ, WH, & ZH]
- Favored by orthogonal between analyses and common techniques
- Excluding W' & Z' with masses up to about 2.4 TeV in HVT model B ($g_V = 3$).
- Not sensitive enough to exclude Bulk Graviton
- 2016 searches already more sensitive than combination



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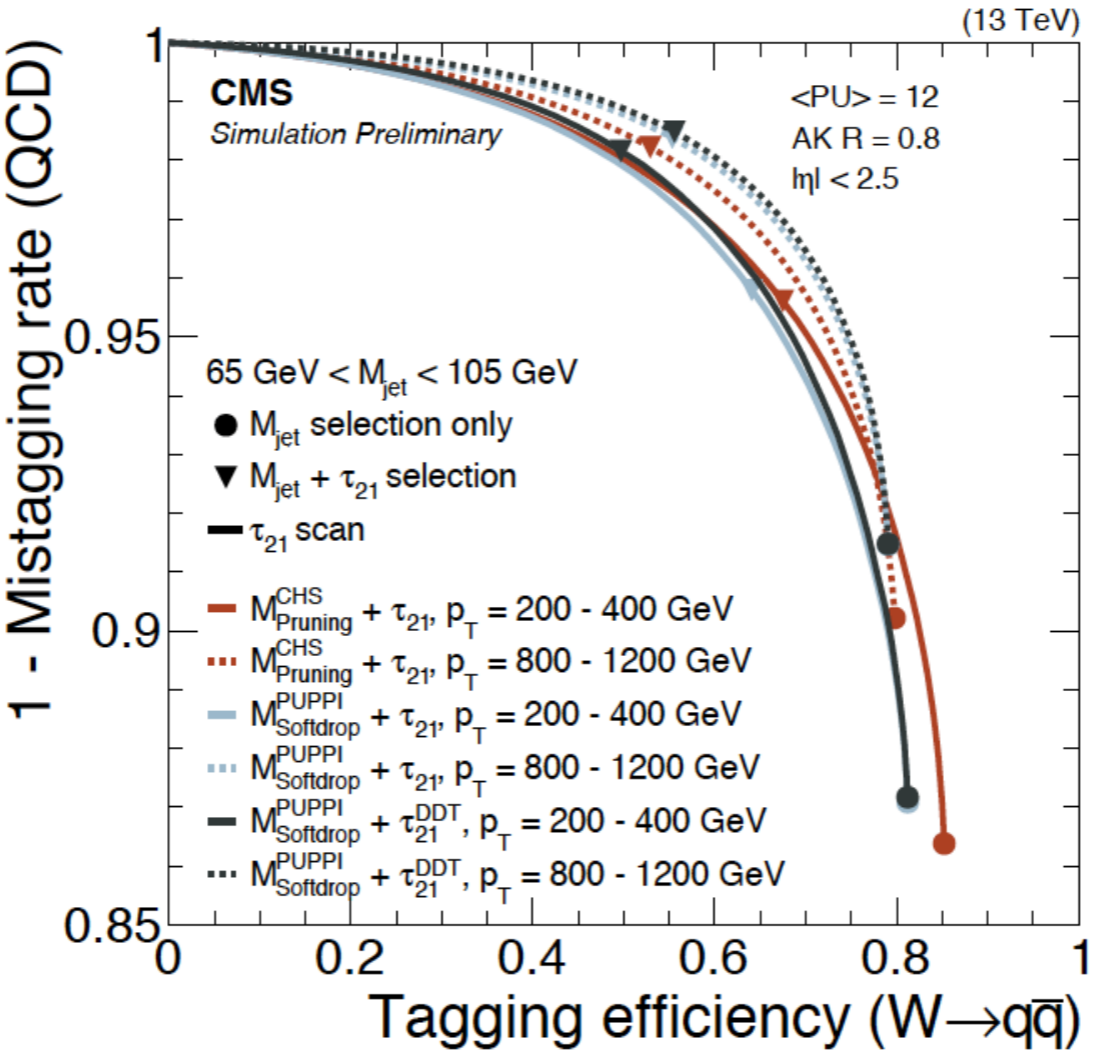


Conclusions

- Searching for heavy resonances is one of the most direct ways to find new physics at TeV scale
- Significant development in boosted object techniques
- Rich phenomenology & final states VV , VH , HH : clear experimental signatures and allows cross check among different channels
- No significant excess observed in data
- Only recent 13 TeV results are shown here today - many new results to arrive in the coming months.
- Exciting diboson results in preparation with the 2016-17 LHC data !!

- **Backup**

ROC curve



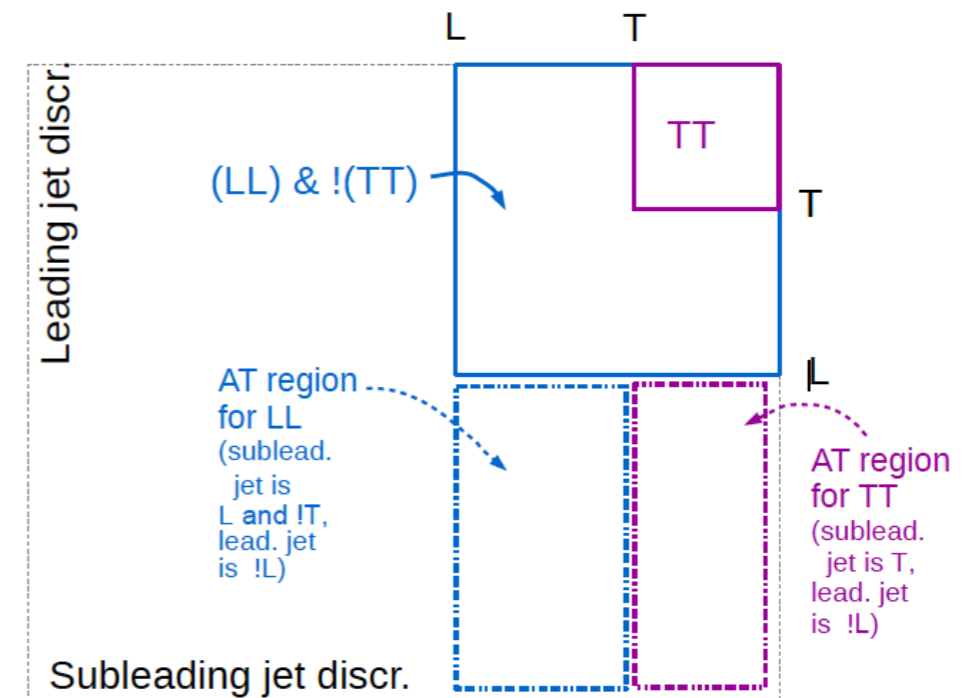
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Figure 16: Performance of several discriminants in the background-signal efficiency plane. The baseline selection for W tagging requiring a PF+CHS pruned or PF+PUPPI softdrop jet mass of $65 < m_{\text{jet}} < 105$ GeV, and N-subjettiness ratio (PF+CHS inputs) of $\tau_2/\tau_1 < 0.45$ or N-subjettiness ratio (PF+PUPPI inputs) of $\tau_2/\tau_1 < 0.4$ or $\tau_{21}^{\text{DDT}} < 0.52$ are indicated with symbols.

Alphabet

- Categories in double b values of leading and subleading jets:
 - ◆ Loose: > 0.3
 - ◆ Tight: > 0.8
- Both passing tight: TT
- Both passing loose but not in the TT category: LL
- Anti-tag regions defined by inverting double b requirement of the leading jet:

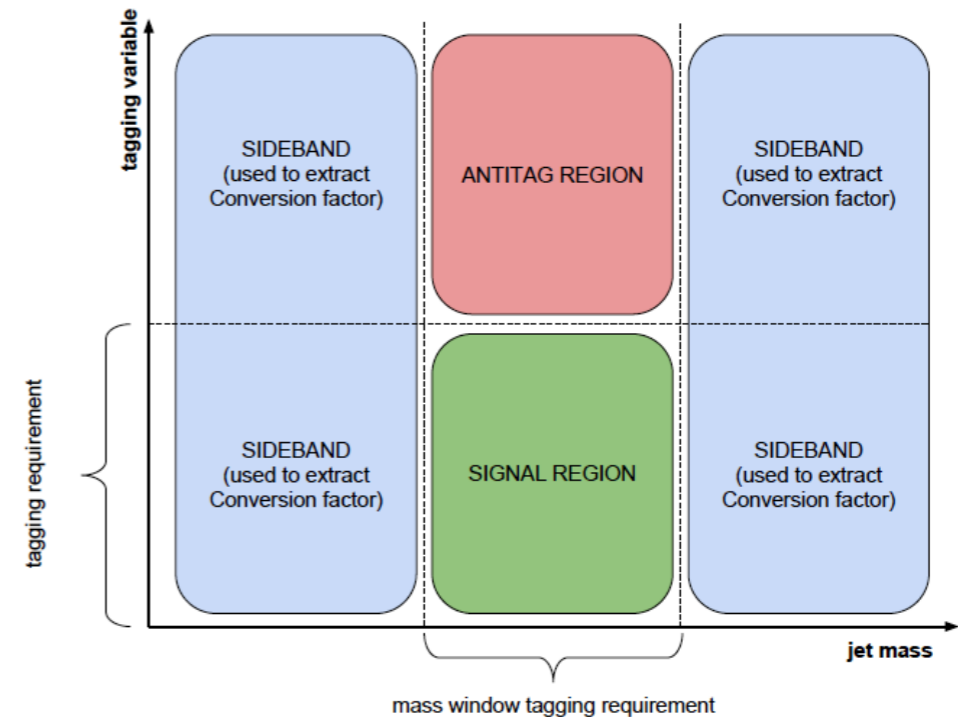
Cat.	Signal region	Control region
TT	Double b (j1) > 0.8 Double b (j2) > 0.8	Double b (j1) < 0.3 Double b (j2) > 0.8
LL	Double b (j1) > 0.3 Double b (j2) > 0.3 and not TT	Double b (j1) < 0.3 $0.3 < \text{Double b (j2)} < 0.8$



- All four regions fully statistically uncorrelated.

Alphabet

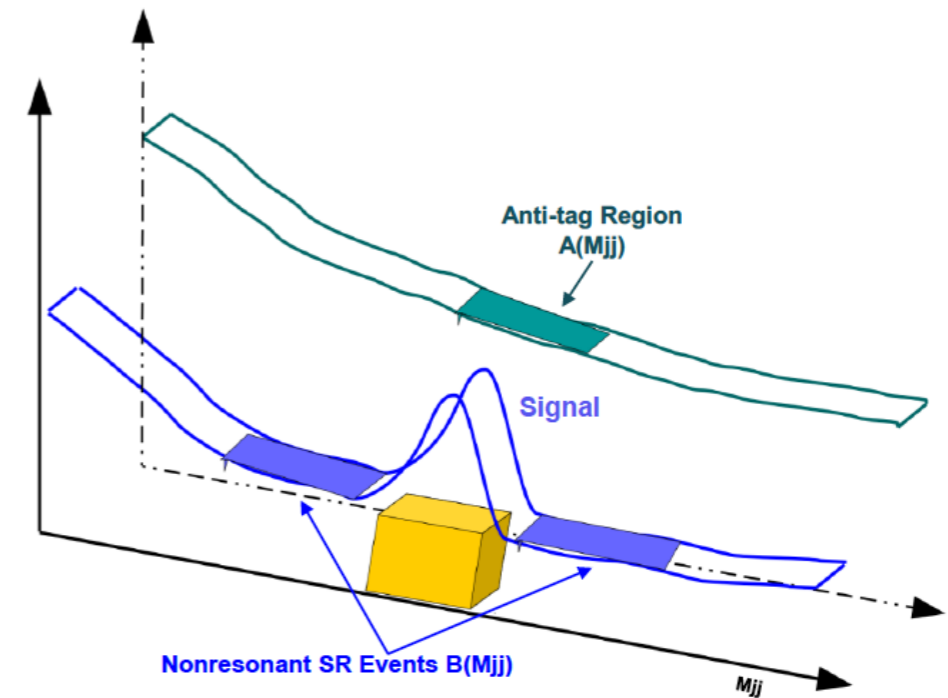
- Alphabet method:
 - ◆ Predicting background normalization and M_{jj}^{red} shape based on several **sidebands** (generalized *ABCD* method)
- Two orthogonal variables:
 - ◆ Jet soft drop mass
 - ◆ Double b tagger discriminator



- Measure double b pass/ fail ratio ($R_{p/f}$) defined using leading p_T jet in the SD mass sidebands.
- Anti-tag region $\times R_{p/f} =$ Background in the signal region

AABH

- A step beyond the classic bump hunt.
- Constraint on background normalization in the signal region
 - ◆ From the Alphabet method we see that the background shape in the anti-tag and signal regions are similar.
 - ◆ Simultaneous fit of signal+background to the data using parametric functions
 - ◆ Normalization using anti-tag region and $R_{p/f}$
 - ◆ $R_{p/f}$ constrained with log-normal priors.
- Better constraint on background systematics.
- The fit can extend farther in M_{jj}^{red} since there are more events in the anti-tag region to predict the tails



- The AABH, like a bump hunt works only when the trigger is 100% efficient.
- Used for searches for $M(X) > 1200$ GeV