

# LEPTON FLAVOUR VIOLATING DECAYS OF THE HIGGS AT THE LHC

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# Exploring the Flavour Sector

- New physics could arise from unexpected corners
- Exploring the Flavor sector can hold surprises:
  - BSM models such as double Higgs models or extra dimensions allow LFV decays of the boson (for instance, to a  $\mu\tau$  pair)

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} \boxed{Y_{ee}} & Y_{e\mu} & Y_{e\tau} \\ Y_{\mu e} & \boxed{Y_{\mu\mu}} & Y_{\mu\tau} \\ Y_{\tau e} & Y_{\tau\mu} & \boxed{Y_{\tau\tau}} \end{pmatrix}$$

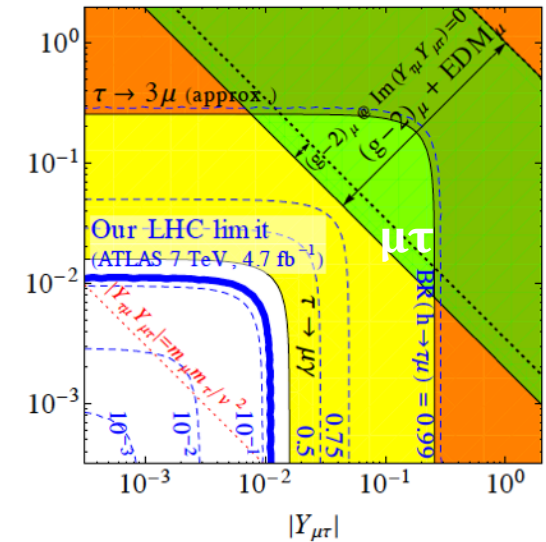
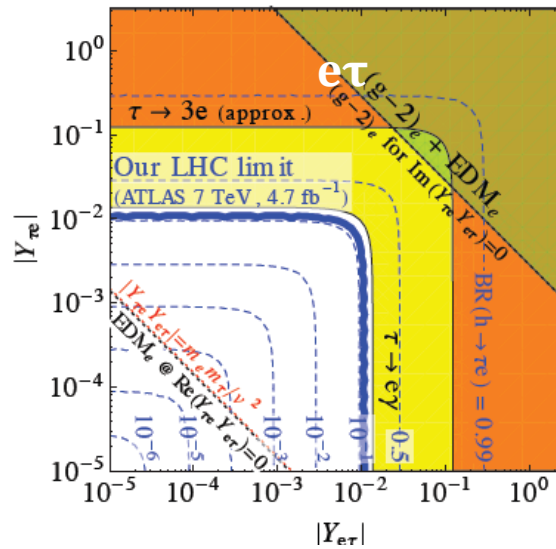
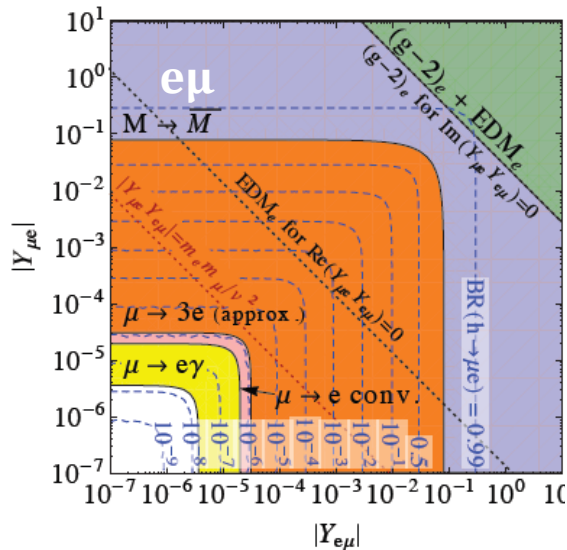
SM values

Probing all the values in the Higgs Yukawa matrix - not only the diagonal ones - should be one of the goals for the LHC Run II

# Pre-LHC experimental bounds

Channel	Coupling	Bound Pre-LHC	Higgs Br Bound Pre-LHC (★)
$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma$	$\sqrt{ Y_{\mu e} ^2 +  Y_{e\mu} ^2}$	$3.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \mu e) \leq 10^{-8}$
$\tau \rightarrow e\gamma$	$\sqrt{ Y_{\mu\tau} ^2 +  Y_{\tau\mu} ^2}$	0.016	$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow e\tau) \leq 10\%$
$\tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$	$\sqrt{ Y_{e\tau} ^2 +  Y_{\tau e} ^2}$	0.014	$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \mu\tau) \leq 10\%$

★ In absence of other significant contributions, formalism from arXiv:1209.1397



R. Harnik, J. Kopp, J. Zupan,  
[arXiv:1209.1397](https://arxiv.org/abs/1209.1397)

$$\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \ell^\alpha \ell^\beta) = \frac{\Gamma(h \rightarrow \ell^\alpha \ell^\beta)}{\Gamma(h \rightarrow \ell^\alpha \ell^\beta) + \Gamma_{\text{SM}}}$$

# $Z \rightarrow \ell \ell'$ bounds before the LHC

- To have a coherent picture of LFV decays we should also explore the bounds on LFV decays of the Z
- Similar techniques can be applied to both studies

95% CL	$\text{Br}(Z \rightarrow e\mu)$	$\text{Br}(Z \rightarrow e\tau)$	$\text{Br}(Z \rightarrow \mu\tau)$
LEP	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$9.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$

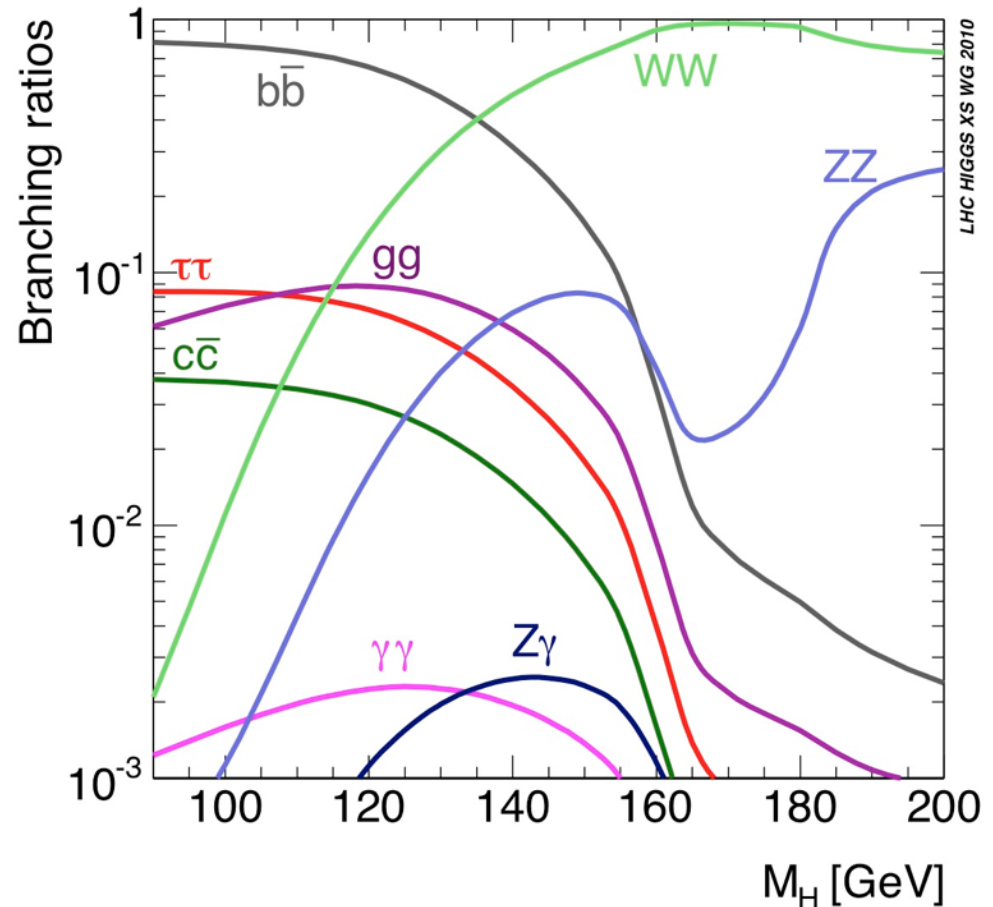
OPAL Collaboration, R. Akers et al., *A Search for lepton flavor violating  $Z^0$  decays*, *Z. Phys. C* **67** (1995) 555–564.

DELPHI Collaboration, P. Abreu et al., *Search for lepton flavor number violating  $Z^0$  decays*, *Z. Phys. C* **73** (1997) 243–251.



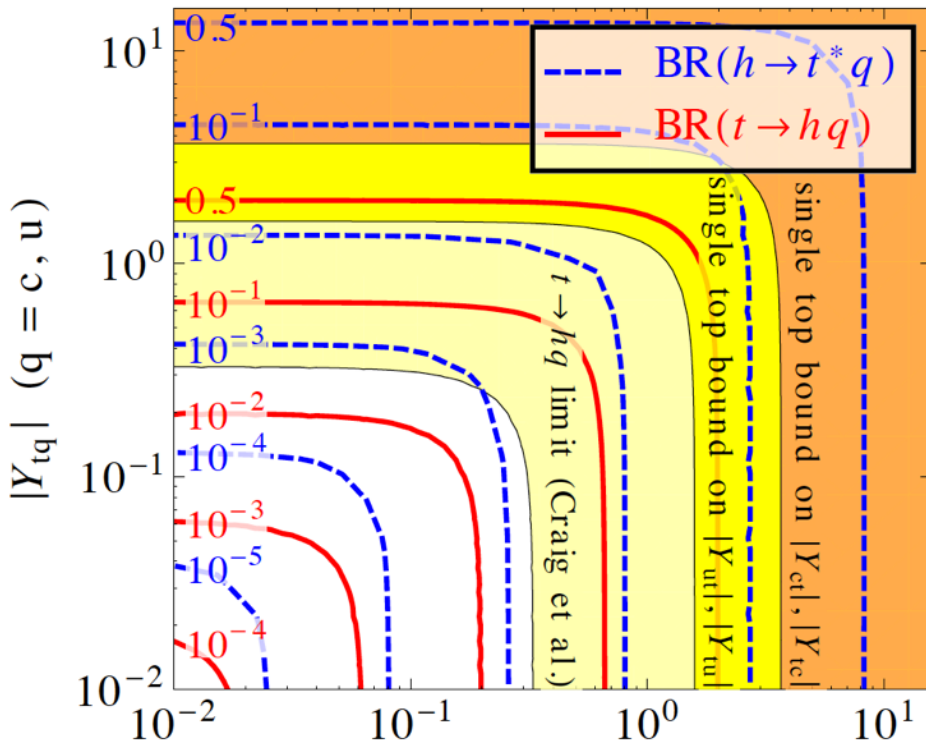
# Small parenthesis: SM Lepton Decays

- The searches for LFV decays of the Higgs benefit from the techniques developed for the SM Hll analysis
- For a Higgs of 125 GeV, the SM prediction for lepton branching ratios is low:
  - $BR(H\tau\tau)=6.32\%$
  - $BR(H\mu\mu)=0.0219\%$
  - $BR(Hee)\sim 5\times 10^{-9}$
- Tau couplings will be probed in detail during Run II, Muon ones will necessitate the full Run II statistics to start being accessible if the SM prediction holds



# Couplings to quarks

- This talk will mostly focus on off-diagonal leptonic Higgs decays
- This is however not all: we should also consider couplings to quarks



Both CMS and ATLAS have a program to study these processes through top decays

SM:

$$\text{Br}(t \rightarrow Hc) \sim 10^{-15}$$

$$\text{Br}(t \rightarrow Hu) \sim 10^{-17}$$

arXiv:1209.1397  $|Y_{qt}|$  (q = c, u)

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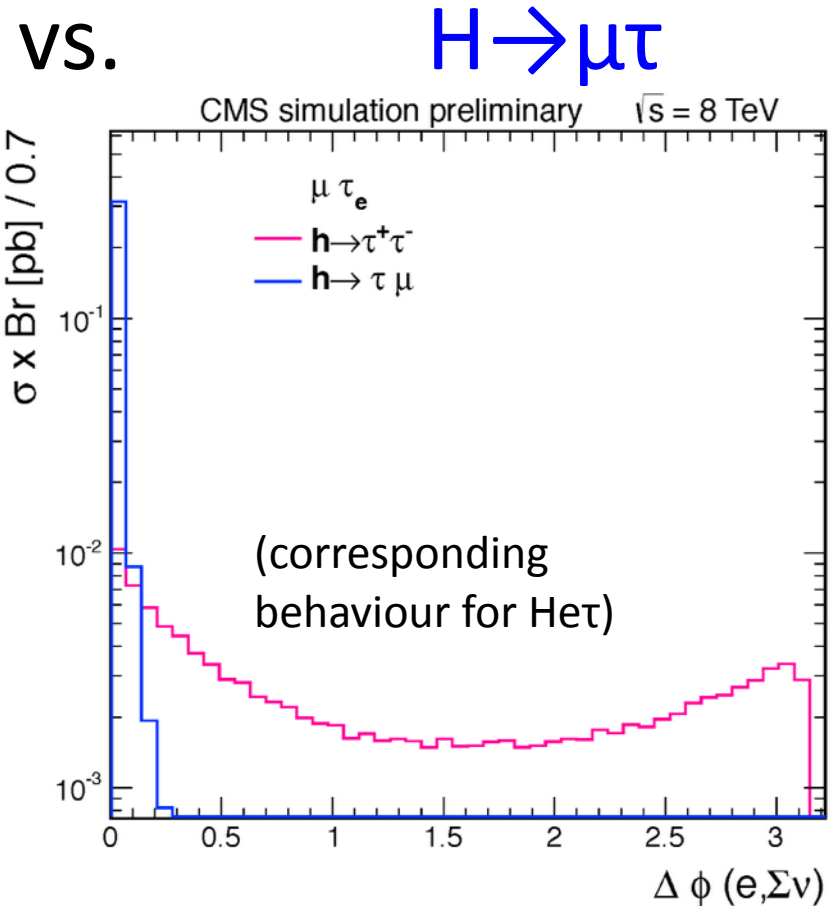
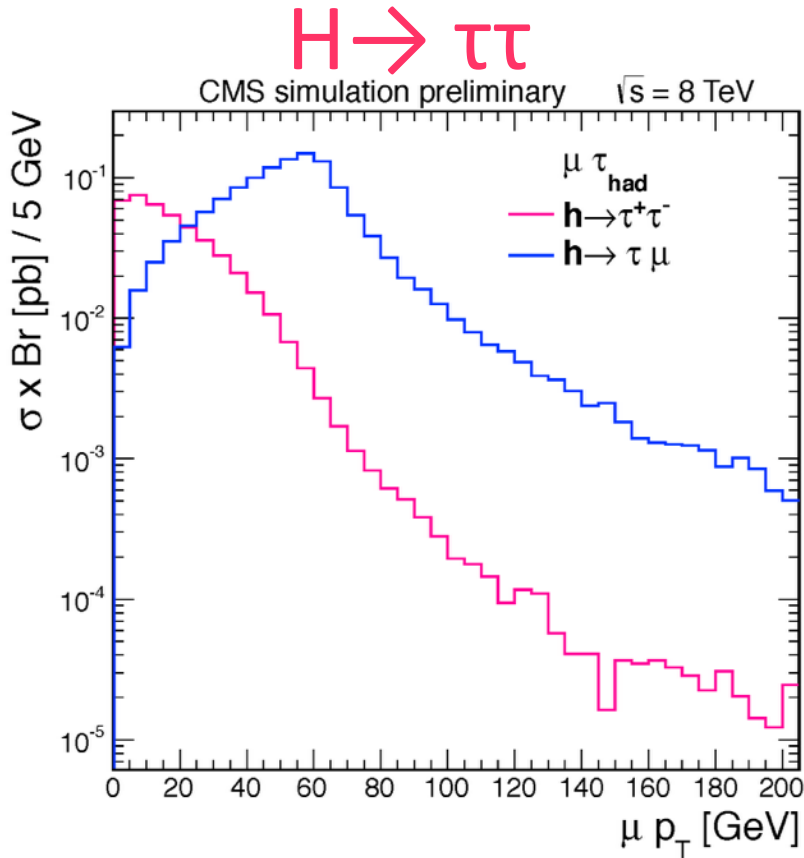
# CMS: $H\mu\tau$ and $H e\tau$

- Similar strategy for  $H\mu\tau$  and  $H e\tau$
- 2 channels ( $l\tau_{\text{had}}$ ,  $l\tau_l$ ), 3 categories (0-1-2 Jets)
- **Two-staged selection:**
  - a first loose selection (2 OS isolated leptons, richer in  $Z\tau\tau$ ) to prove the background modelling techniques work
  - plus a tight, signal enriched one on which the measurement is based
  - final selection driven by pt cuts and angular correlations (more later)
- Signal extraction through a loglikelihood fit **to the collinear mass** distribution of the  $l\tau$  candidate, done simultaneously for the six categories for each channel
  - The collinear mass is derived from the visible mass of the tau-light lepton system, correcting by the fraction of the energy carried by the visible decay products of the tau:
$$M_{\text{col}} = M_{\text{vis}} / \sqrt{x_{\tau}^{\text{vis}}}, \quad x_{\tau}^{\text{vis}} = p_T^{\tau^{\text{vis}}} / (p_T^{\tau^{\text{vis}}} + p_T^{\nu, \text{est}})$$
- Leading systematic uncertainties: background modelling

CMS ( $\mu\tau$ ):  
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CMS ( $e\tau$ ):  
HIG-14-040

# Comparison of Kinematics

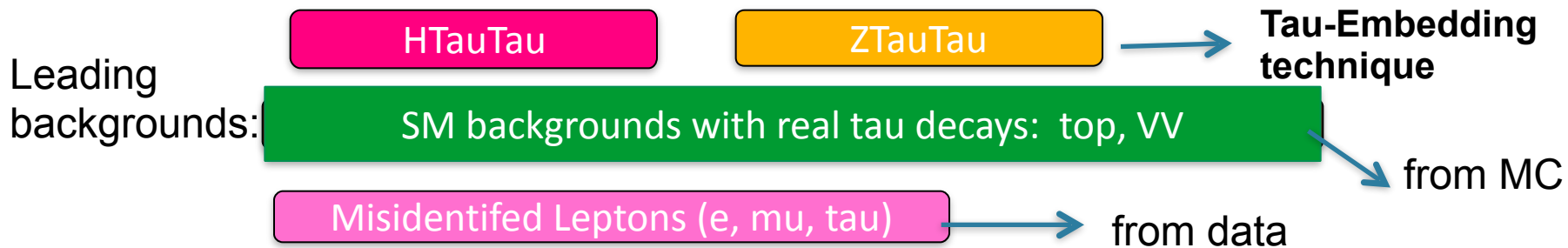
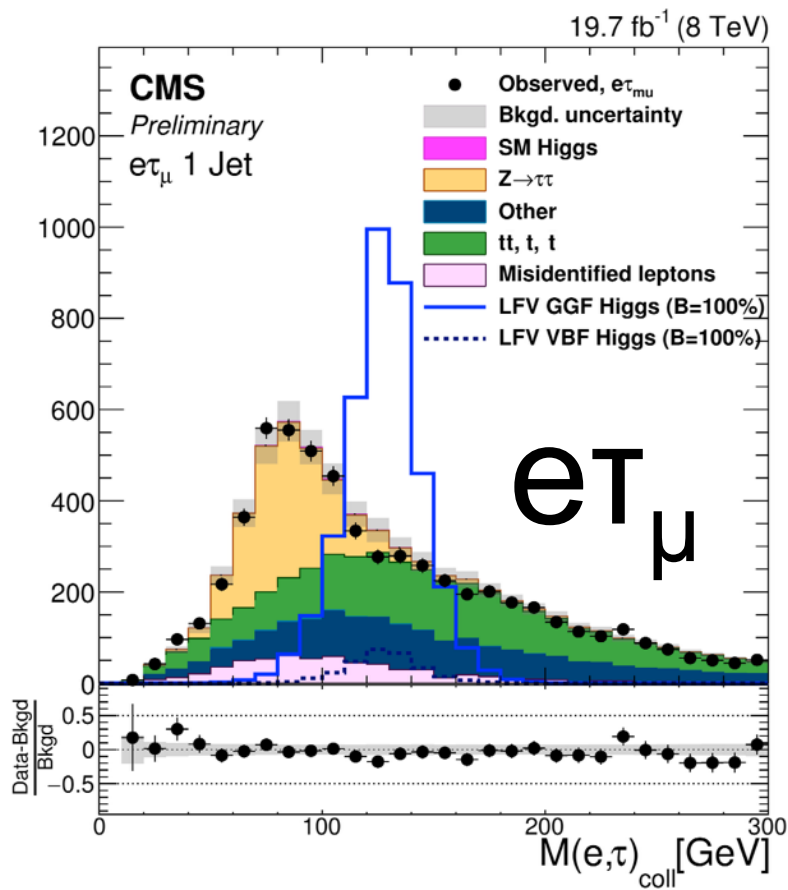
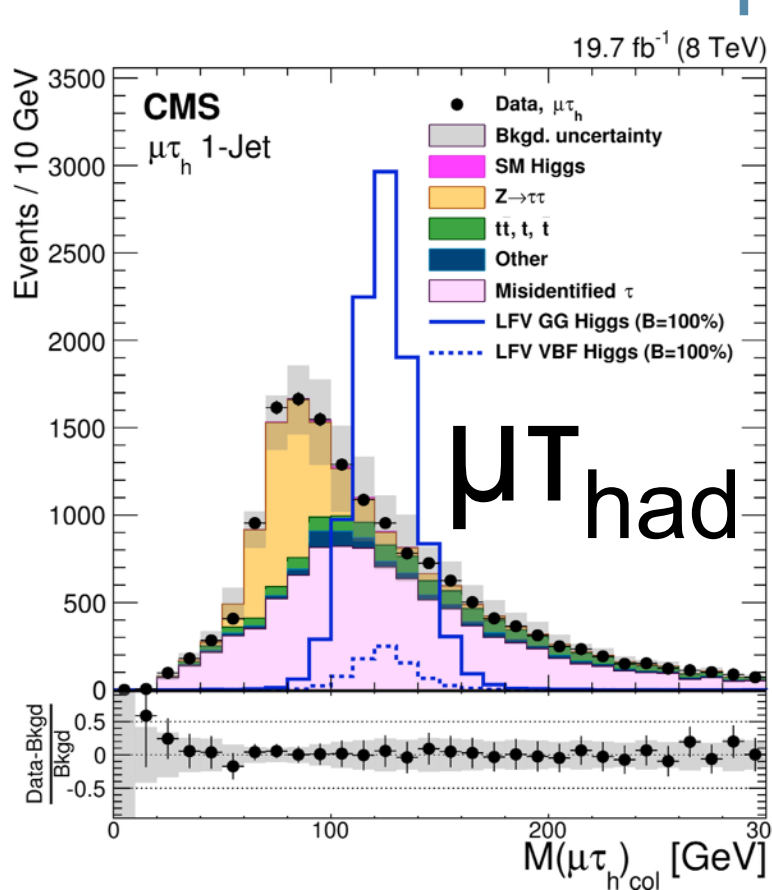


Exploit differences in event topology



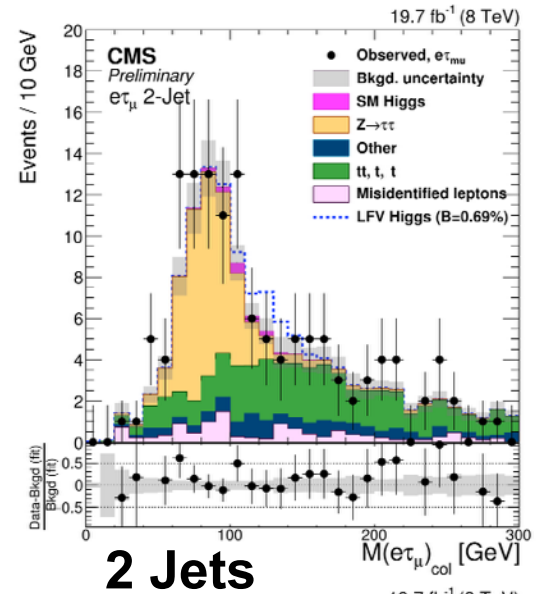
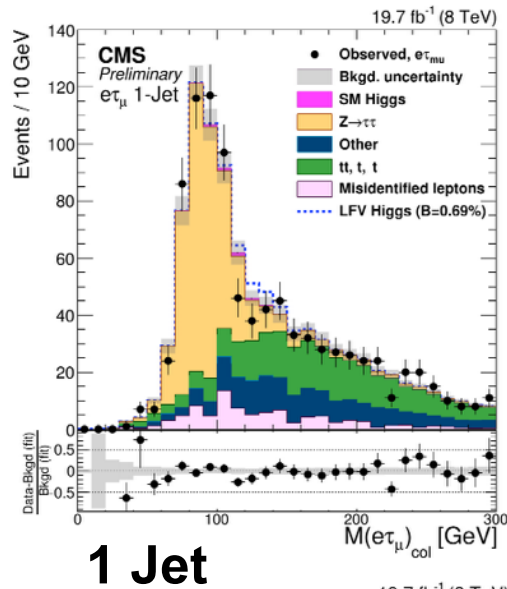
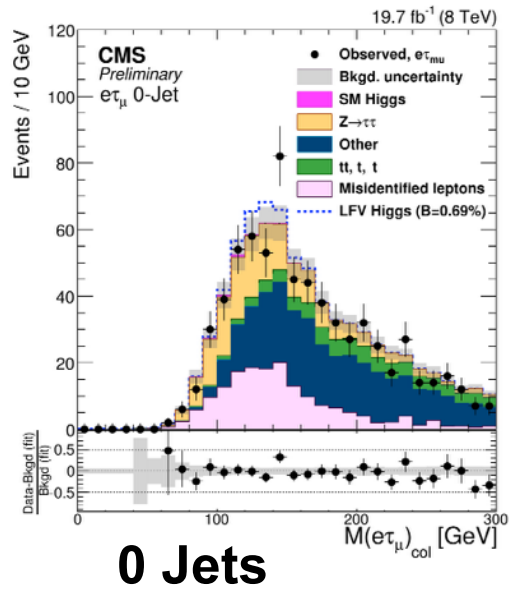
- Harder  $P_T$  spectrum of muons
- Different angular correlations:
  - Electron/ $\tau_{\text{had}}$  - Neutrinos  $\rightarrow$   $\sim$  Collinear
  - Muon - Neutrinos  $\rightarrow$   $\sim$  back to back

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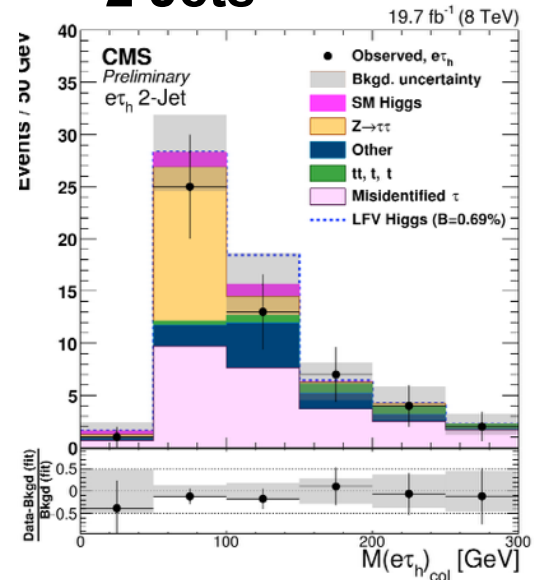
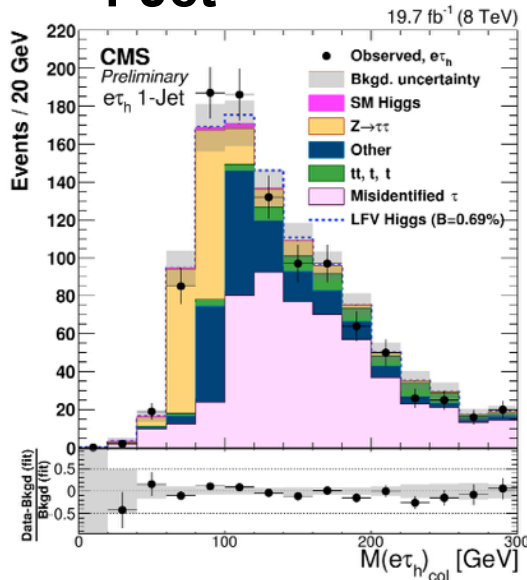
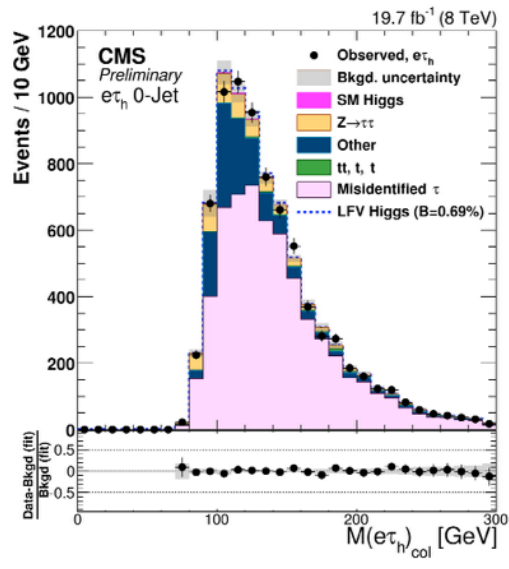


# HeT: Collinear Mass after selection

$e\tau_\mu$

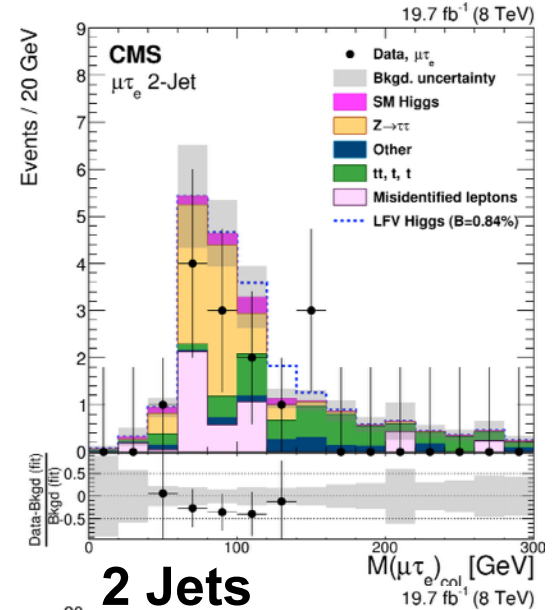
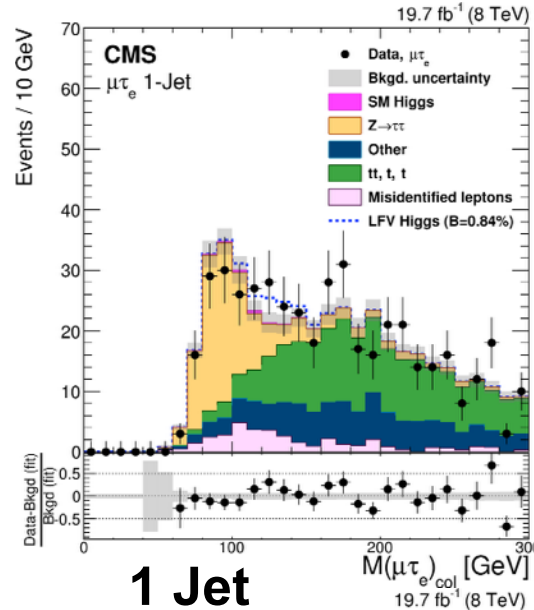
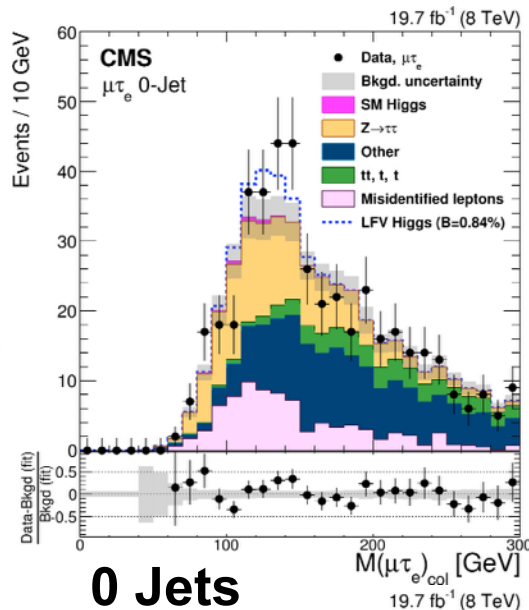


$e\tau_h$

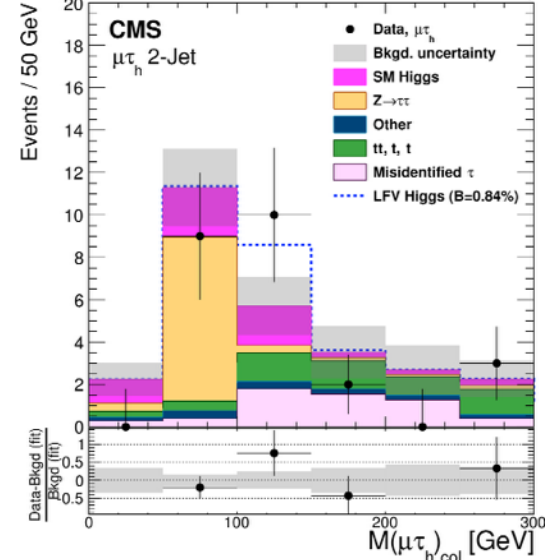
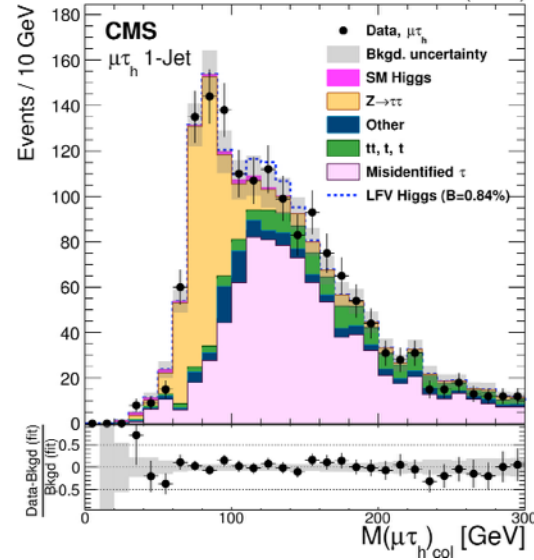
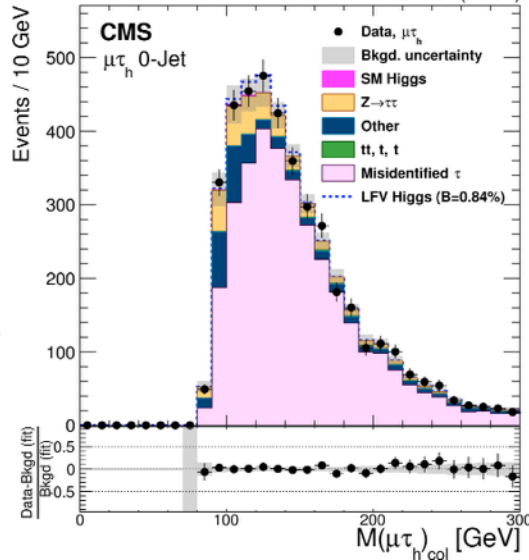


# H $\mu\tau$ : Collinear Mass after selection

$\mu\tau_e$



$\mu\tau_h$





# ATLAS: $H\mu\tau$ and $He\tau$

- Similar strategy for  $H\mu\tau$  and  $He\tau$
- **Selection starts with two OS, isolated leptons:**
  - Final selection also driven by  $p_T$  cuts and angular correlations
- **Hadronic channels:**
  - 2 categories per analysis (low and high  $M_T$ )
  - Template fit to the **MMC (Missing Mass Calculator)** distributions
    - MMC observable is based on the scanning of the likelihood probability, given the kinematic inputs and MET resolution.
  - This simultaneous fit includes a W and a Top control region
- **Leptonic channels:**
  - 2 for  $l\tau_1$  (with and without jets)
  - Template it to the **collinear mass** distribution
- Final combined fit to all categories to give the final limit

ATLAS:  
arXiv:1604.07730

ATLAS:  
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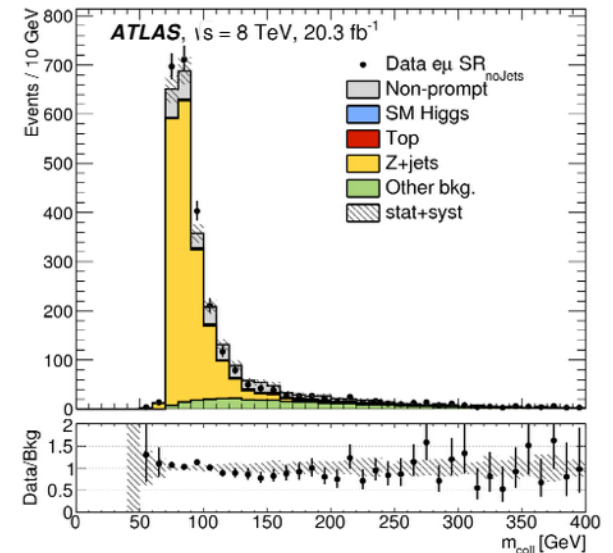
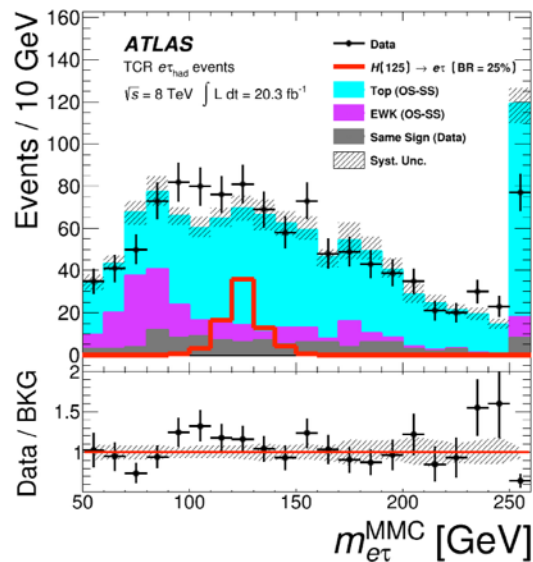
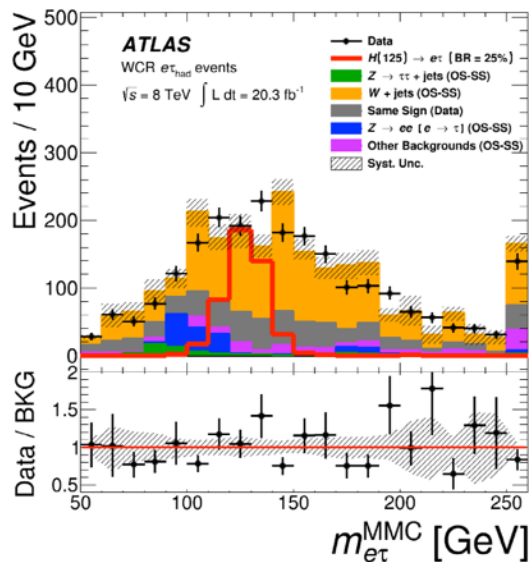
# Background Control

## Hadronic channels:

- Ws, Zs, Top, and other minor MC are modelled from MonteCarlo (using only the OS-SS fraction of the simulated prediction)
- QCD events are modelled using directly the SS distributions on data, with a yield correction to account for SS/OS effects, and after removing W/Z/TOP/EWK contamination in SS

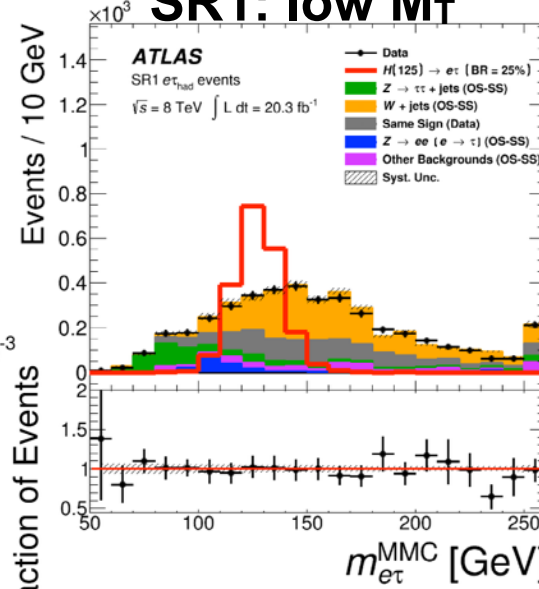
## Leptonic channels:

- Background shape derived from data benefitting from symmetric behaviour of SM backgrounds and the inherent asymmetry in LFV decays

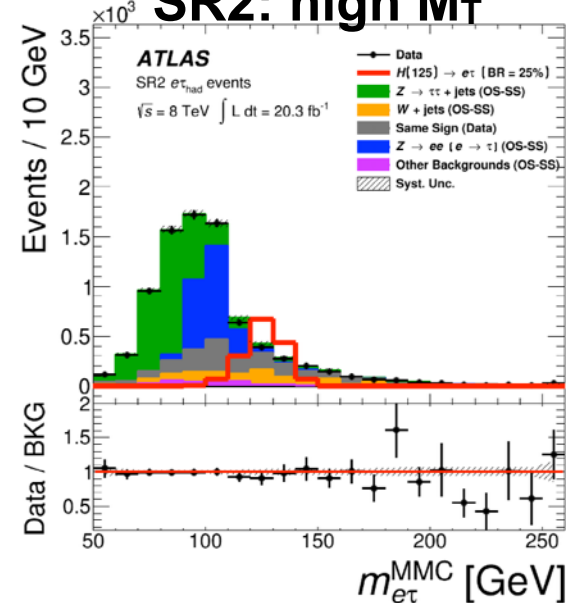


# Hl $\tau_{had}$ channels

**SR1: low  $M_T$**

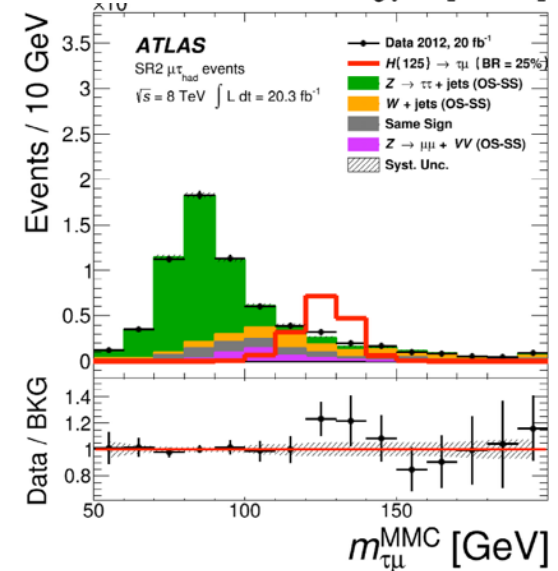
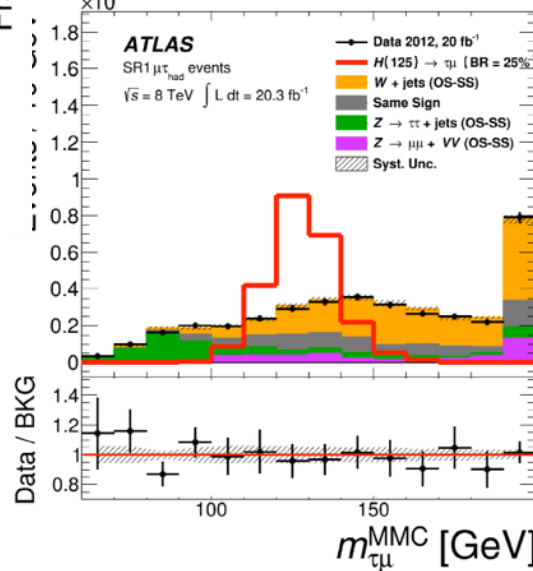
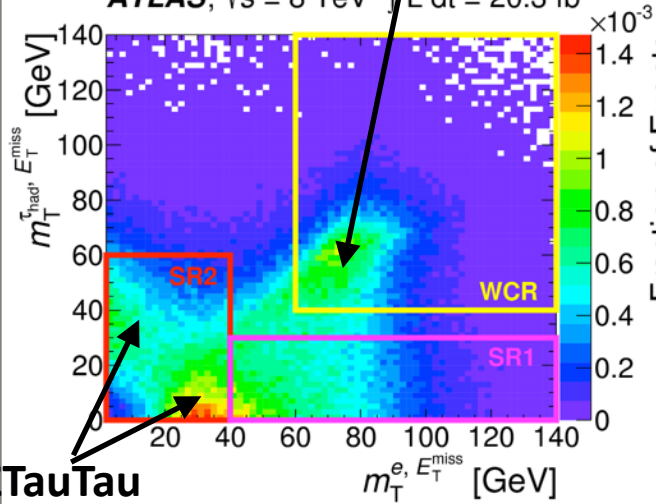


**SR2: high  $M_T$**



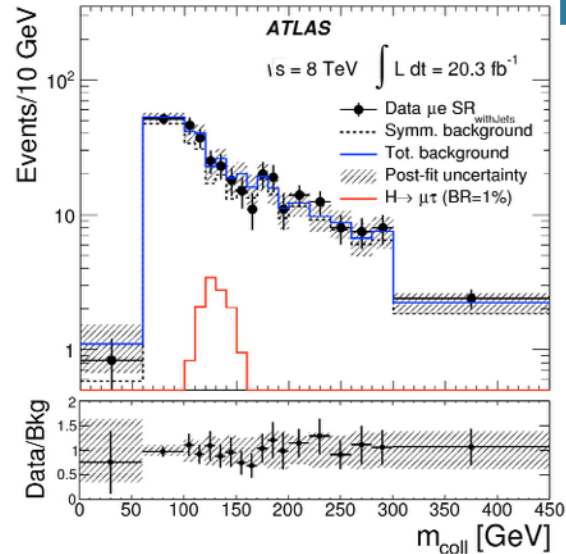
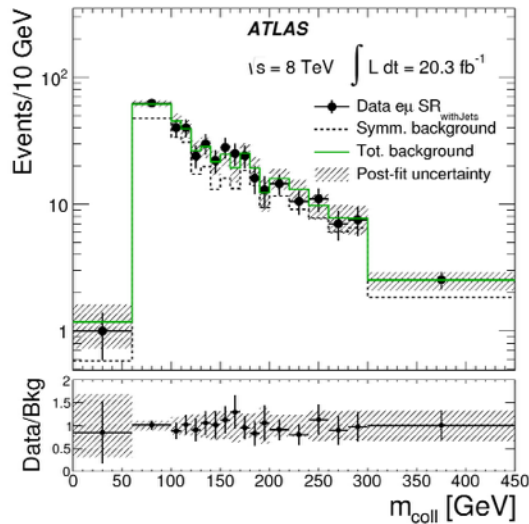
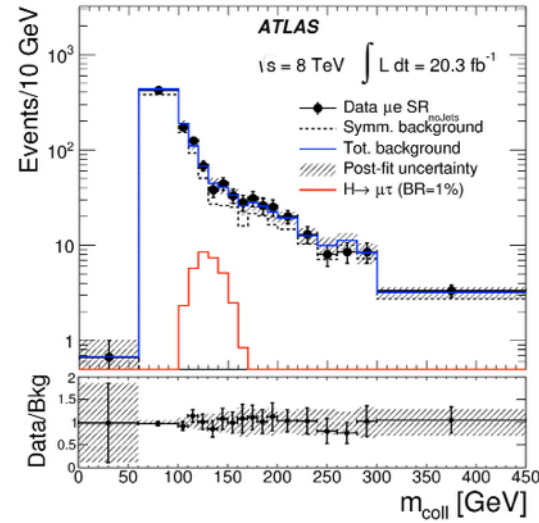
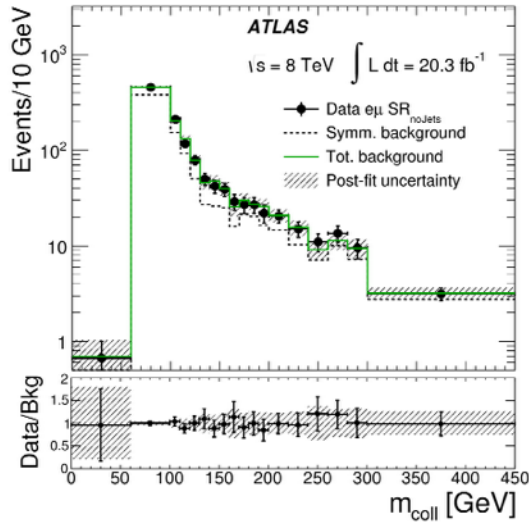
**WLNu+Jets**

**ATLAS,  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV} \int L dt = 20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$**



# H $\tau$ $\nu$ channels

H $e$  $\tau$  $\mu$



H $\mu$  $\tau$  $e$

# Comparison of Selection Criteria

H $\mu\tau$

CMS

Variable [GeV]	H $\rightarrow \mu\tau_e$			H $\rightarrow \mu\tau_h$		
	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet
$p_T^\mu >$	50	45	25	45	35	30
$p_T^e >$	10	10	10	—	—	—
$p_T^\tau >$	—	—	—	35	40	40
$M_T^e <$	65	65	25	—	—	—
$M_T^\mu >$	50	40	15	—	—	—
$M_T^\tau <$	—	—	—	50	35	35
[radians]						
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_T^\mu - \vec{p}_T^{\tau_h}} >$	—	—	—	2.7	—	—
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_T^e - \vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}}} <$	0.5	0.5	0.3	—	—	—
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_T^e - \vec{p}_T^\mu} >$	2.7	1.0	—	—	—	—

VBF:  $|\Delta\eta| > 3.5$  and  $M_{jj} > 550$  GeV

Higher threshold the muon for the CMS analysis both for leptonic and hadronic channels

$M_T$  categorization in ATLAS hadronic analysis  
Tighter angular selection in ATLAS leptonic analysis

ATLAS

Cut	SR1	SR2	WCR	TCR
$p_T(\mu)$	$>26$ GeV	$>26$ GeV	$>26$ GeV	$>26$ GeV
$p_T(\tau_{\text{had}})$	$>45$ GeV	$>45$ GeV	$>45$ GeV	$>45$ GeV
$m_T(\mu, E_T^{\text{miss}})$	$>40$ GeV	$<40$ GeV	$>60$ GeV	—
$m_T(\tau_{\text{had}}, E_T^{\text{miss}})$	$<30$ GeV	$<60$ GeV	$>40$ GeV	—
$ \eta(\mu) - \eta(\tau_{\text{had}}) $	$<2$	$<2$	$<2$	$<2$
$N_{\text{jet}}$	—	—	—	$>1$
$N_{b\text{-jet}}$	0	0	0	$>0$

SR<sub>noJets</sub>

SR<sub>withJets</sub>

Light leptons

$e^\pm \mu^\mp$

$e^\pm \mu^\mp$

$\tau$  leptons

veto

veto

Central jets

0

$\geq 1$

$b$ -jets

0

0

$p_T^{\ell_1}$

$\geq 35\text{GeV}$

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$p_T^{\ell_2}$

$\geq 12\text{GeV}$

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$|\eta^e|$

$\leq 2.4$

$\leq 2.4$

$|\eta^\mu|$

$\leq 2.4$

$\leq 2.4$

$\Delta\phi(\ell_2, E_T^{\text{miss}})$

$\leq 0.7$

$\leq 0.5$

$\Delta\phi(\ell_1, \ell_2)$

$\geq 2.3$

$\geq 1.0$

$\Delta\phi(\ell_1, E_T^{\text{miss}})$

$\geq 2.5$

$\geq 1.0$

$\Delta p_T(\ell_1, \ell_2)$

$\geq 7\text{GeV}$

$\geq 1\text{GeV}$

# Comparison of Selection Criteria

HeT

CMS

Variable	$H \rightarrow e\tau_\mu$			$H \rightarrow e\tau_h$		
	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet
$p_T^e$ (GeV)	> 50	> 40	> 40	> 45	> 35	> 35
$p_T^\mu$ (GeV)	> 15	> 15	> 15	-	-	-
$p_T^{th}$ (GeV)	-	-	-	> 30	> 40	> 30
$M_T(\mu)$ (GeV)	-	< 30	< 40	-	-	-
$M_T(\tau_h)$ (GeV)	-	-	-	< 70	-	< 50
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_{T,e}-\vec{p}_{T,\tau_h}}$ (radians)	-	-	-	> 2.3	-	-
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_{T,\mu}-\vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}}}$ (radians)	< 0.8	< 0.8	-	-	-	-
$\Delta\phi_{\vec{p}_{T,e}-\vec{p}_{T,\mu}}$ (radians)	-	> 0.5	-	-	-	-

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$m_T^{e, E_T^{\text{miss}}}$	>40 GeV	<40 GeV	>60 GeV	-
$m_T^{\tau_{\text{had}}, E_T^{\text{miss}}}$	<30 GeV	<60 GeV	>40 GeV	-
$N_{\text{jet}}$	-	-	-	$\geq 2$
$N_{b\text{-jet}}$	0	0	0	$\geq 1$

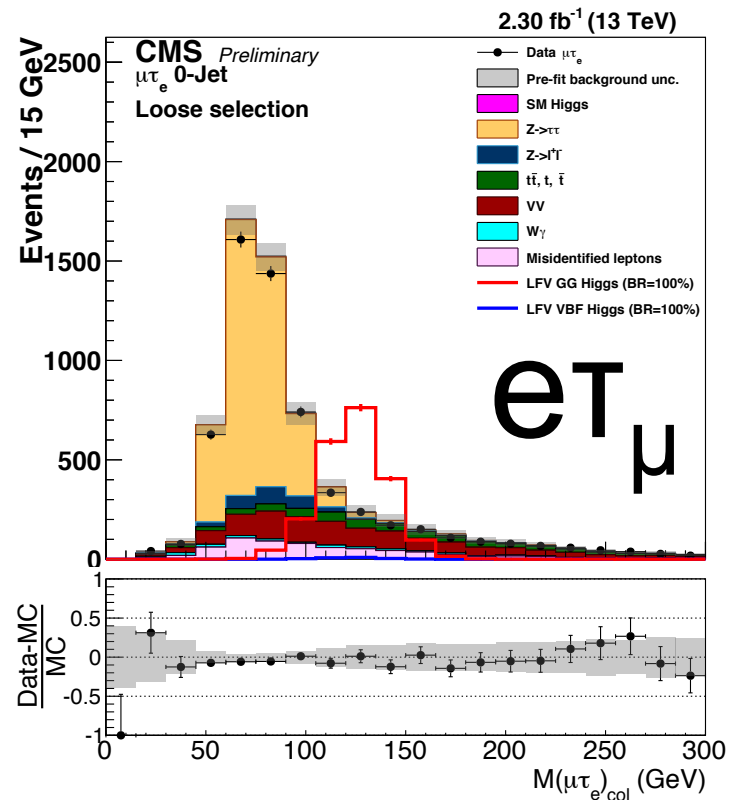
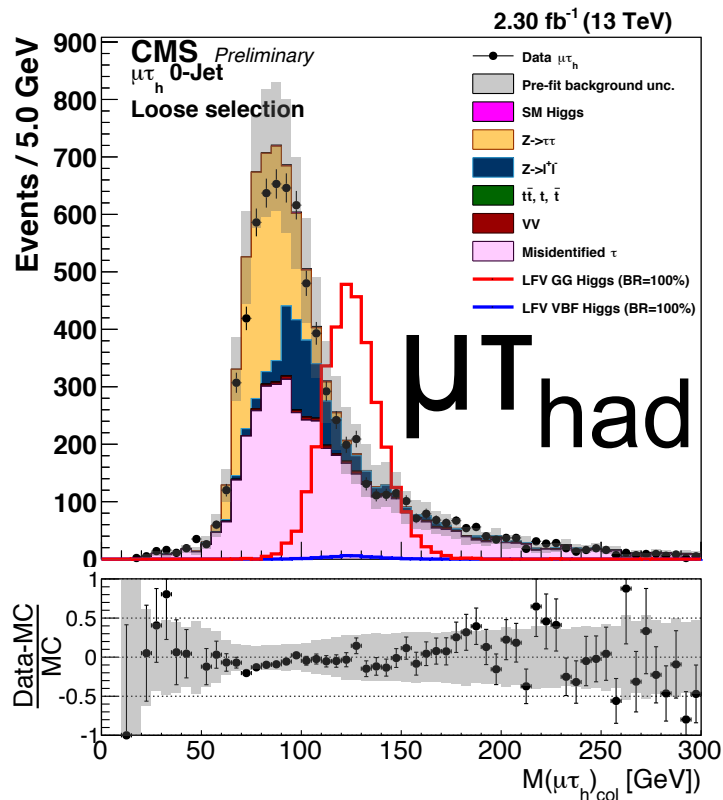
	SR <sub>noJets</sub>	SR <sub>withJets</sub>
Light leptons	$e^\pm \mu^\mp$	$e^\pm \mu^\mp$
$\tau$ leptons	veto	veto
Central jets	0	$\geq 1$
$b$ -jets	0	0
$p_T^{\ell_1}$	$\geq 35\text{GeV}$	$\geq 35\text{GeV}$
$p_T^{\ell_2}$	$\geq 12\text{GeV}$	$\geq 12\text{GeV}$
$ \eta^e $	$\leq 2.4$	$\leq 2.4$
$ \eta^\mu $	$\leq 2.4$	$\leq 2.4$
$\Delta\phi(\ell_2, E_T^{\text{miss}})$	$\leq 0.7$	$\leq 0.5$
$\Delta\phi(\ell_1, \ell_2)$	$\geq 2.3$	$\geq 1.0$
$\Delta\phi(\ell_1, E_T^{\text{miss}})$	$\geq 2.5$	$\geq 1.0$
$\Delta p_T(\ell_1, \ell_2)$	$\geq 7\text{GeV}$	$\geq 1\text{GeV}$

# 2015 13 TeV dataset

- The dataset collected by CMS and ATLAS in 2015 is not large enough to surpass the 8TeV sensitivity
- CMS updated the  $H\mu\tau$  search using the 2015 dataset only -  **$2.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$**  - as a first step towards a full rerun of the LFV searches to be performed in 2016
- Analysis strategy kept intentionally very close to Run I
  - Optimization @ 13 TeV will be done for 2016
- Few changes:
  - Electron pt down to 10GeV
  - Looser 2Jet selection to account for smaller statistics
    - $|\Delta\eta| > 3.5$  ,  $M_{jj} > 200 \text{ GeV}$  ,  $M_{Te} > 40$  , no  $\Delta\Phi(e, \text{MET})$  restriction

**CMS (New this week!):  
HIG-16-005**

# H $\mu\tau$ : Collinear Mass before selection



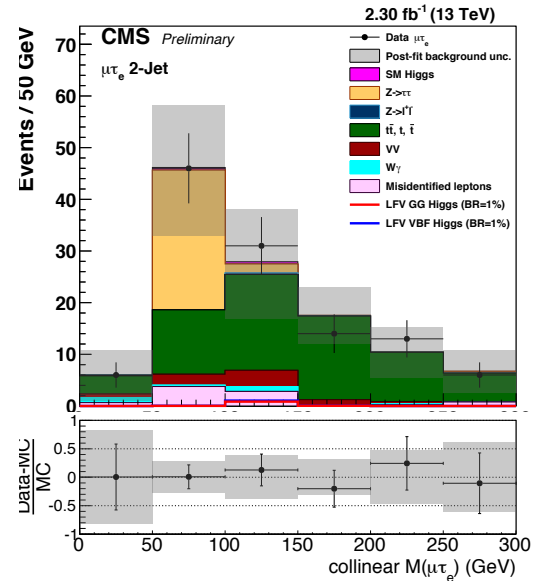
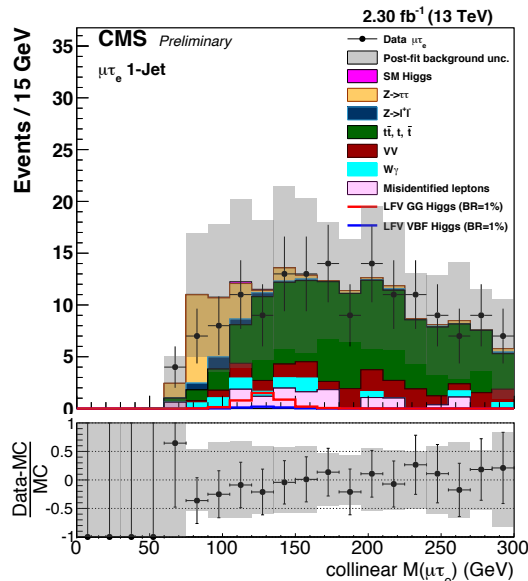
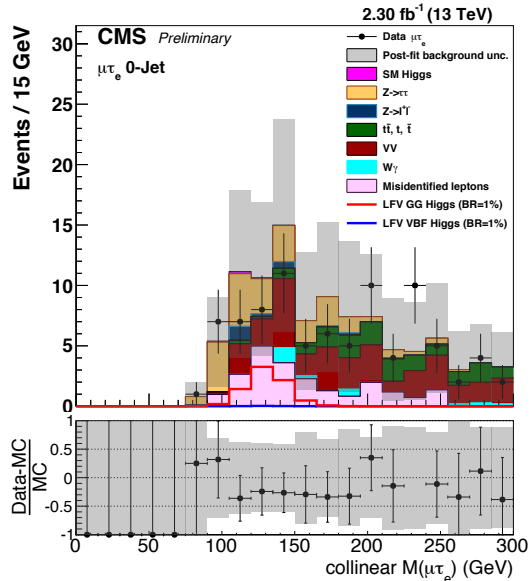
- Background modelling follows Run I techniques
  - Misidentified leptons from data
  - SM backgrounds with real tau decays from Monte Carlo
- $Z\tau\tau$  modelled from Monte Carlo (embedding technique will be used again in the future)



# H $\mu\tau$ : Collinear Mass after selection

$\mu\tau_e$

Notice the small statistics!

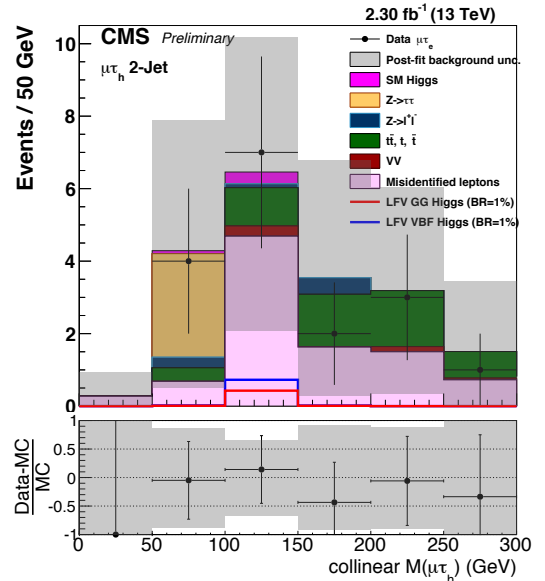
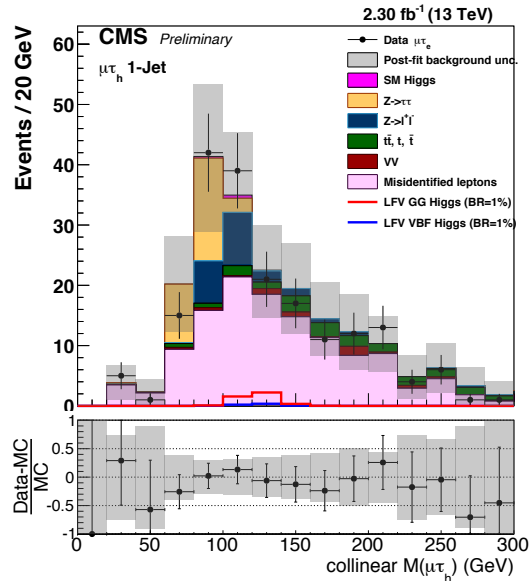
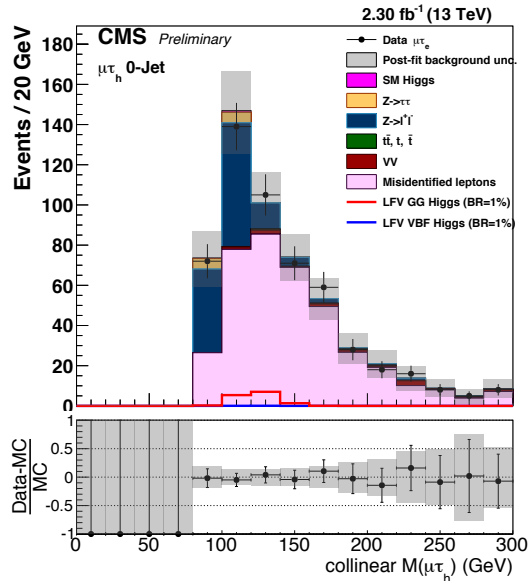


0 Jets

1 Jet

2 Jets

$\mu\tau_h$



# CMS $H\mu\mu$

- Very clean in comparison - but targeting a very small Br!
- Backgrounds:  $TT\bar{t}$ /Diboson/DY tails
- **10 Categories** based on:
  - GGF vs VBF discrimination:
    - inclusive categories: 0-1-2 jets
    - VBF categories (tight/loose) following  $H\gamma\gamma$
  - Barrel/Endcap leptons

- 1 Good, Isolated, High  $p_T$  Electron
- 1 Good, isolated, High  $p_T$  Muon
- Opposite charge of the  $\mu e$  Pair
- Veto on additional leptons
- Btagged Jets veto

	Category	Number of jets	Lepton $p_T$ (GeV)	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ (GeV)	B-tag
0	EB-MB	0	> 25	< 30	-
1	EB-MB	1	> 22	< 30	< 0.38
2	EB-MB	2	> 25	< 25	< 0.38, < 0.48
3	EB-ME	0	> 20	< 30	-
4	EB-ME	1	> 22	< 20	< 0.48
5	EB-ME	2	> 20	< 30	< 0.51, < 0.57
6	EE-(MB or ME)	0	> 20	< 30	-
7	EE-(MB or ME)	1	> 22	< 20	< 0.48
8	EE-(MB or ME)	2	> 20	< 30	< 0.51, < 0.57
VBF					
9	Tight	2	> 22	< 30	< 0.58, < 0.244
10	Loose	2	> 22	< 25	< 0.62, < 0.30

**CMS:**  
**HIG-14-040**

# Background composition

- Very clean search comparison to  $H\ell\bar{\ell}$
- non-LHC limits already constrain the  $Br$  tightly

124 <  $M_{e\mu}$  < 126 GeV

Jet category:	0-Jet	1-Jet	2-Jet	VBF
Drell-Yan	$17.8 \pm 4.2$	$4.1 \pm 2.0$	$1.9 \pm 1.4$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$
$t\bar{t}$	$1.4 \pm 1.2$	$3.1 \pm 1.8$	$14.1 \pm 3.8$	$0.4 \pm 0.6$
$t, \bar{t}$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$	$2.7 \pm 1.6$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$
EWK diboson	$21.6 \pm 4.7$	$2.3 \pm 0.2$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$
SM Higgs boson background	$0.0 \pm 0.0$	$0.1 \pm 0.2$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$
Sum of backgrounds	$40.8 \pm 6.4$	$9.6 \pm 3.1$	$18.8 \pm 4.3$	$0.5 \pm 0.7$
Observed	49	6	17	2
(Data-BG)/Uncert(BG)	1.3	-1.2	-0.4	2.2
LFV Higgs boson signal (B=1%)	$21.2 \pm 4.6$	$9.1 \pm 3.0$	$2.6 \pm 1.6$	$1.5 \pm 1.2$

targeting  $Br < 10^{-4}$

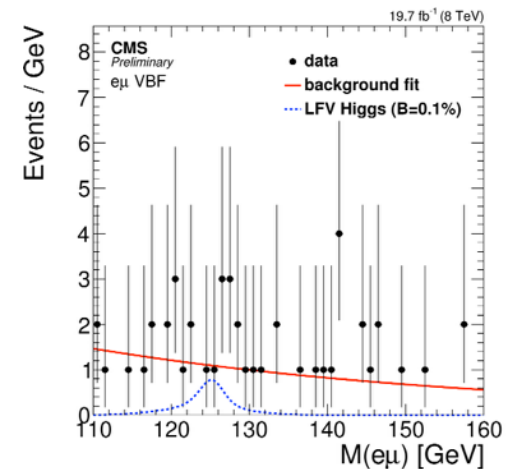
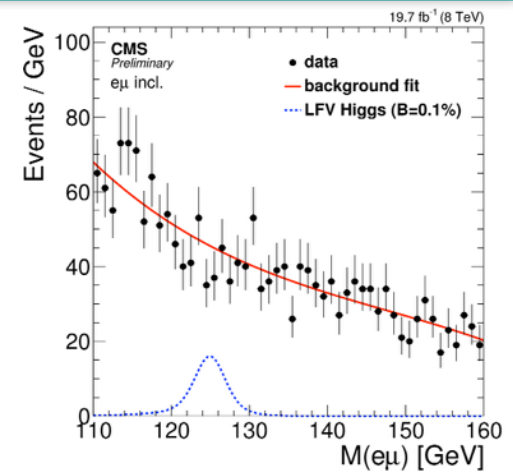
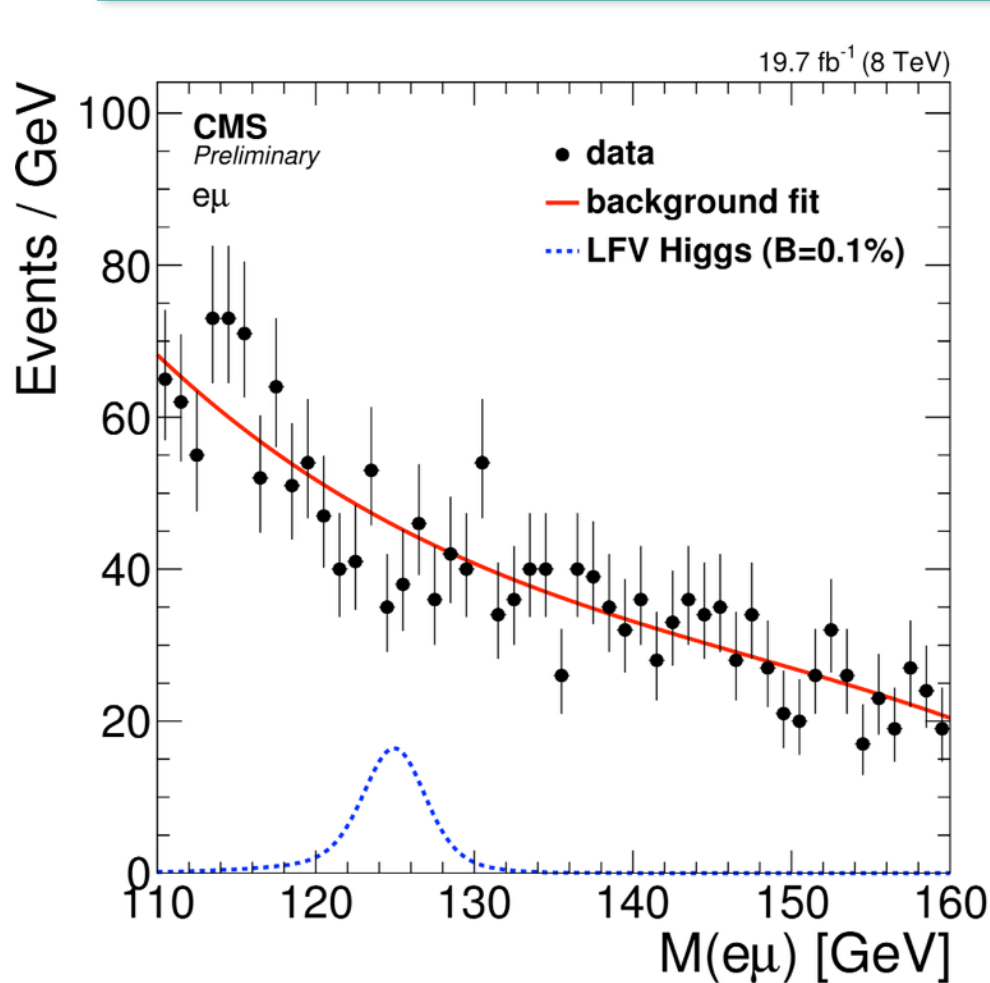


# Signal Extraction

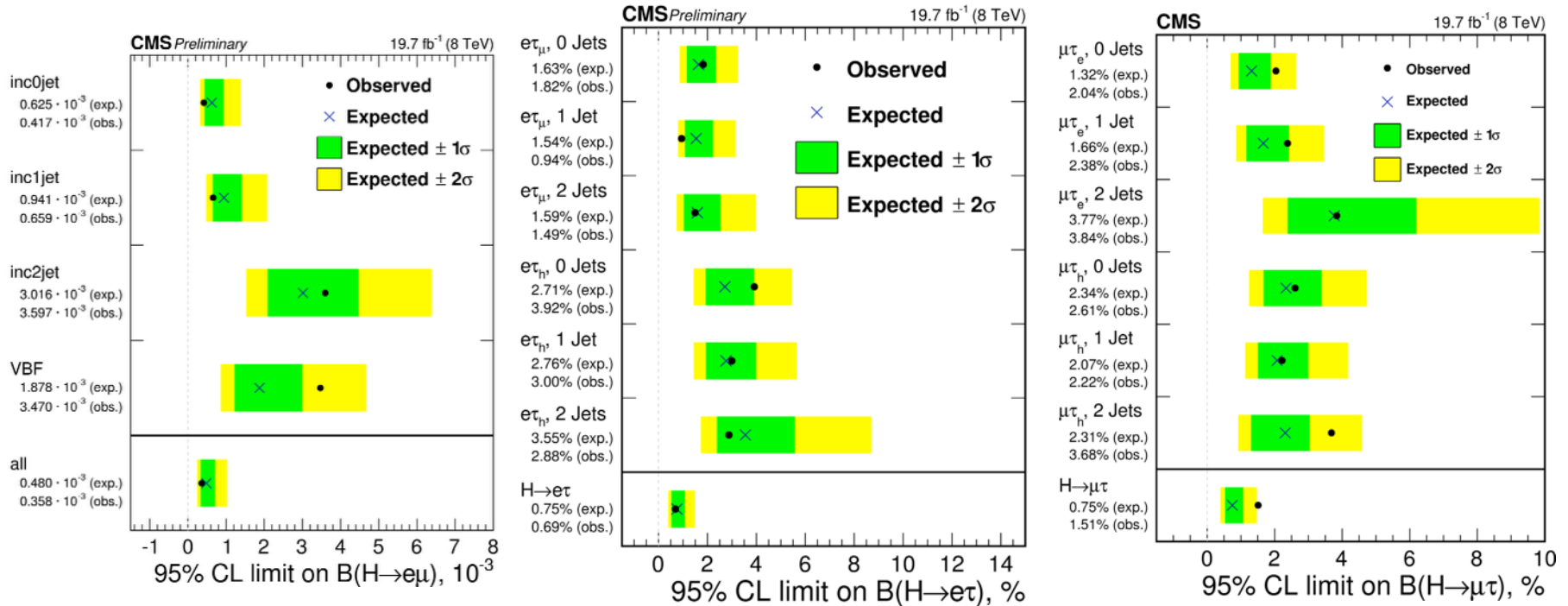
Signal Extraction through a fit to the invariant mass distribution:

**Background:** Modelled by a combination of polynomials

**Signal:** Modelled using two gaussians



# CMS: Run I 95%CL Limits



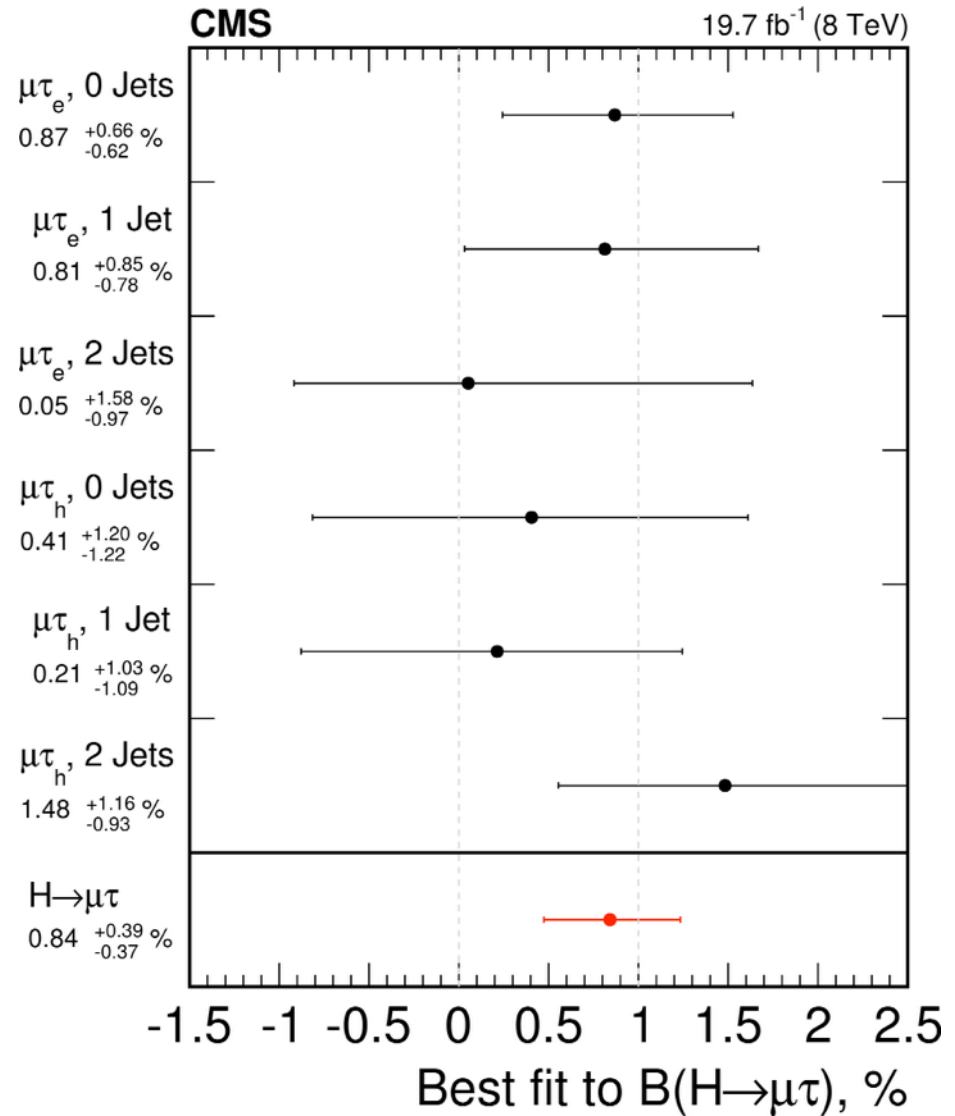
$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow e\mu) < 0.36e-3$  (0.48e-3 expected)

$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow e\tau) < 0.69\%$  (0.75% expected)

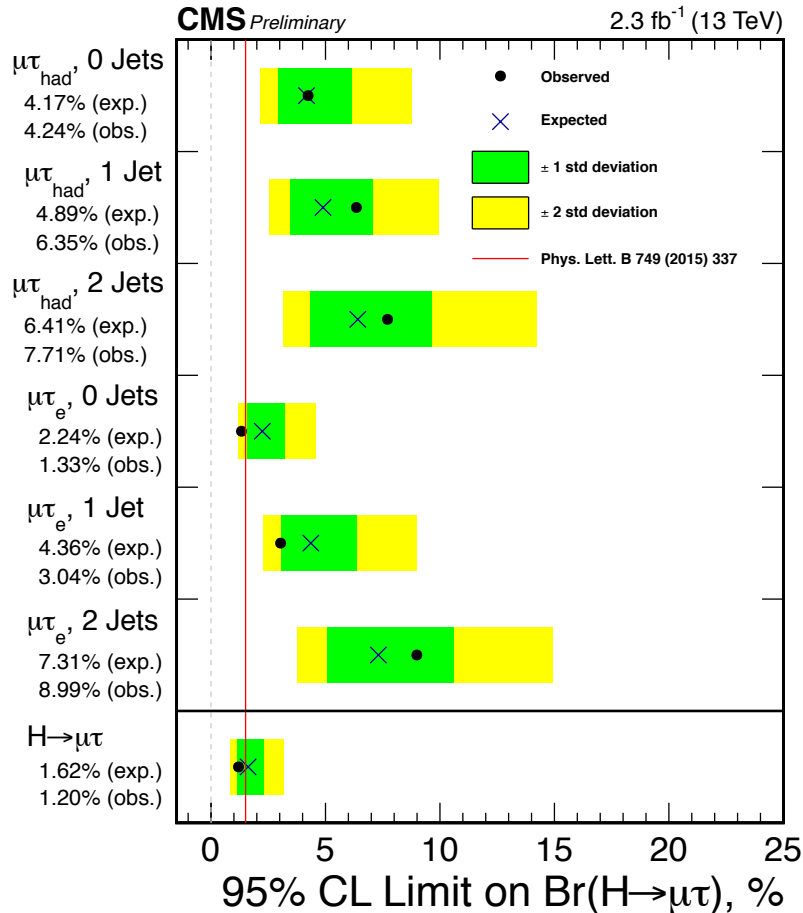
$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \mu\tau) < 1.51\%$  (0.75% expected)

# CMS: Run I Best Fit

- Small deviations per category (at most  $\sim 1$  sigma)
- Hemu and Het fits compatible with 0



# CMS: Run II First Look



Expected limits				
	0-jet (%)	1-jet (%)	2-jets (%)	Combined (%)
$\mu\tau_h$	<4.17	<4.89	<6.41	<2.98
$\mu\tau_e$	<2.24	<4.36	<7.31	<1.96
$\mu\tau$	<1.62 %			

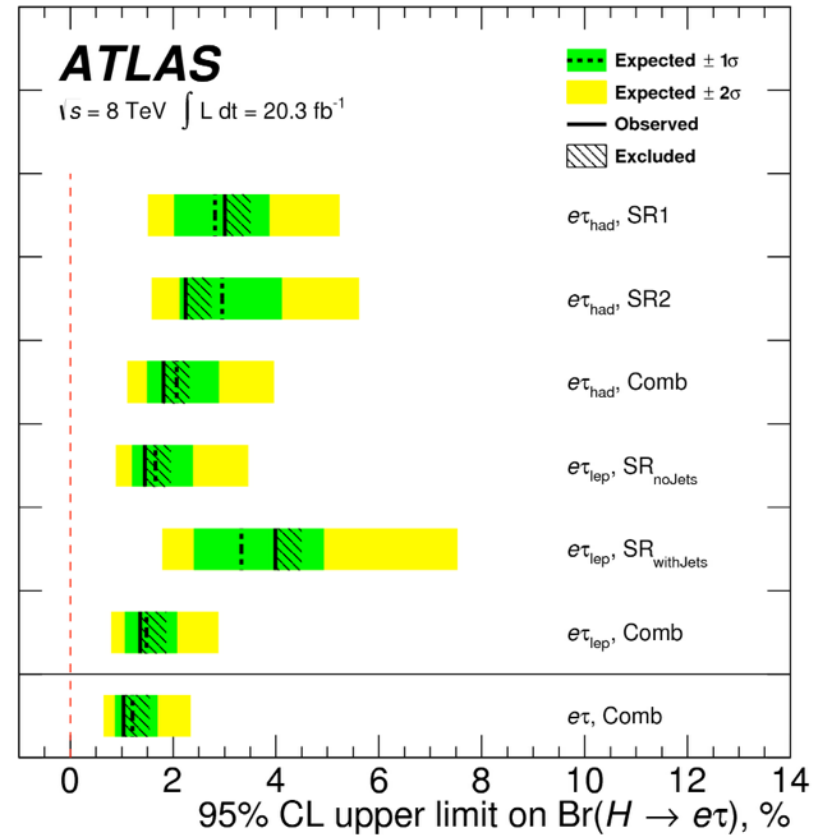
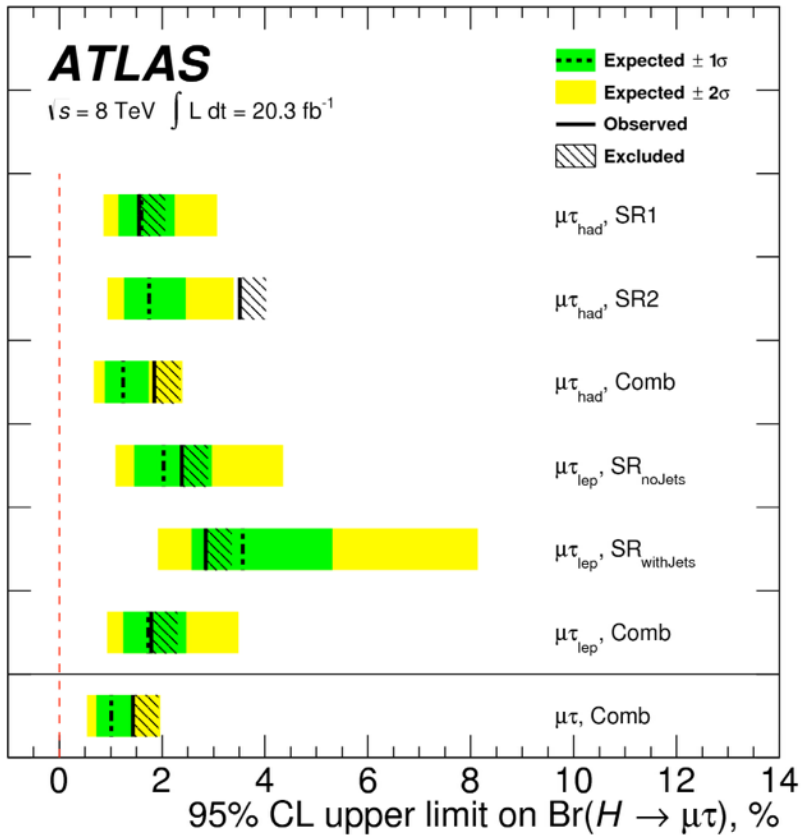
Observed limits				
	0-jet (%)	1-jet (%)	2-jets (%)	Combined (%)
$\mu\tau_h$	<4.24	<6.35	<7.71	<3.81
$\mu\tau_e$	<1.33	<3.04	<8.99	<1.15
$\mu\tau$	<1.20 %			

Best-fit branching fractions				
	0-jet (%)	1-jet (%)	2-jets (%)	Combined (%)
$\mu\tau_h$	$0.12^{+2.02}_{-1.91}$	$1.70^{+2.41}_{-2.52}$	$1.54^{+3.12}_{-2.71}$	$1.12^{+1.45}_{-1.40}$
$\mu\tau_e$	$-2.11^{+1.30}_{-1.89}$	$-2.18^{+1.99}_{-2.05}$	$2.04^{+2.96}_{-3.31}$	$-1.81^{+1.07}_{-1.32}$
$\mu\tau$	$-0.76^{+0.81}_{-0.84}$ %			

Br( $H \rightarrow \mu\tau$ ) < 1.20% (1.62% expected)

- No excess observed, but not sensitive enough to exclude the 8TeV result

# ATLAS: 95%CL Limits



$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow e\tau) < 1.04\%$  (1.21% expected)

$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \mu\tau) < 1.43\%$  (1.01% expected)



# Comparison of Results for $H \rightarrow \mu\tau$

CMS

Expected Limits			
8TeV	0-Jet (%)	1-Jet (%)	2-Jets (%)
$\mu\tau_e$	<1.32 ( $\pm 0.67$ )	<1.66 ( $\pm 0.85$ )	<3.77 ( $\pm 1.92$ )
$\mu\tau_h$	<2.34 ( $\pm 1.19$ )	<2.07 ( $\pm 1.06$ )	<2.31 ( $\pm 1.18$ )
$\mu\tau$	<0.75 ( $\pm 0.38$ )		
Observed Limits			
$\mu\tau_e$	<2.04	<2.38	<3.84
$\mu\tau_h$	<2.61	<2.22	<3.68
$\mu\tau$	<1.51		
Best Fit Branching Fractions			
$\mu\tau_e$	$0.87^{+0.66}_{-0.62}$	$0.81^{+0.85}_{-0.78}$	$0.05^{+1.58}_{-0.97}$
$\mu\tau_h$	$0.41^{+1.20}_{-1.22}$	$0.21^{+1.03}_{-1.09}$	$1.48^{+1.16}_{-0.93}$
$\mu\tau$	$0.84^{+0.39}_{-0.37}$		

2015 data

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ATLAS, 8TeV

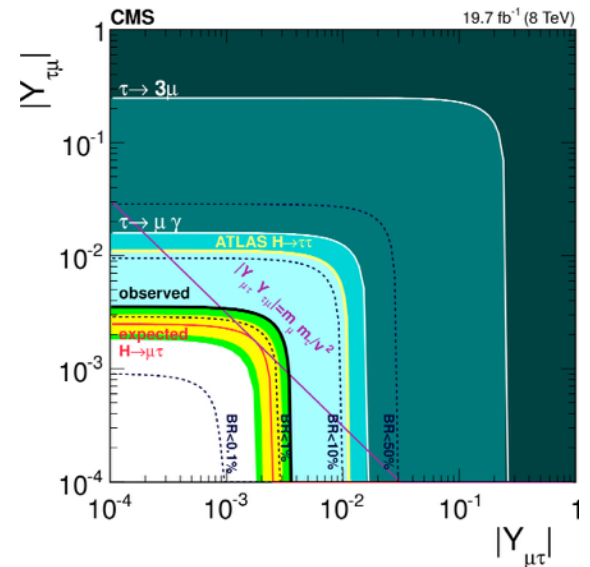
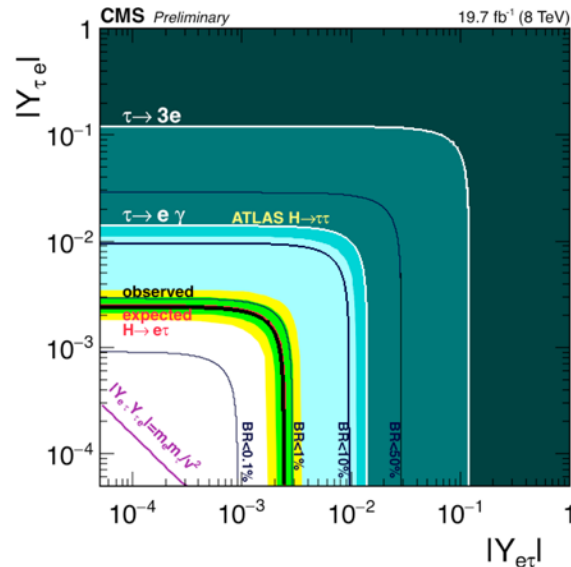
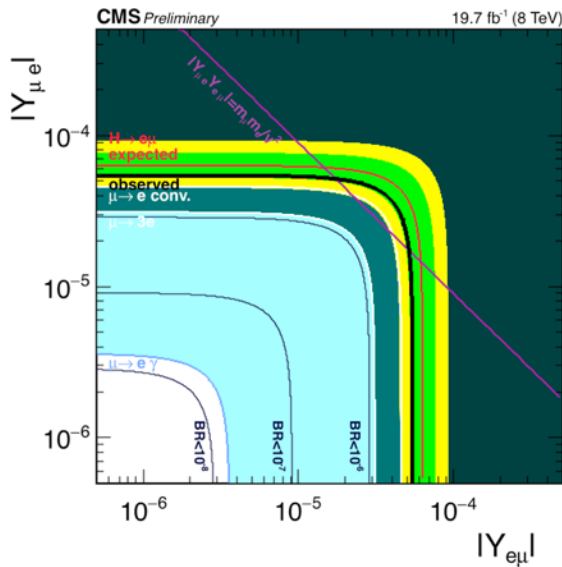
Channel	Category	Expected limit [%]	Observed limit [%]	Best fit Br [%]
$H \rightarrow e\tau_{had}$	SR1	$2.81^{+1.06}_{-0.79}$	3.0	$0.33^{+1.48}_{-1.59}$
	SR2	$2.95^{+1.16}_{-0.82}$	2.24	$-1.33^{+1.56}_{-1.80}$
	Combined	$2.07^{+0.82}_{-0.58}$	1.81	$-0.47^{+1.08}_{-1.18}$
$H \rightarrow e\tau_{lep}$	SR <sub>noJets</sub>	$1.66^{+0.72}_{-0.46}$	1.45	$-0.45^{+0.89}_{-0.97}$
	SR <sub>withJets</sub>	$3.33^{+1.60}_{-0.93}$	3.99	$0.74^{+1.59}_{-1.62}$
	Combined	$1.48^{+0.60}_{-0.42}$	1.36	$-0.26^{+0.79}_{-0.82}$
$H \rightarrow e\tau$	Combined	$1.21^{+0.49}_{-0.34}$	1.04	$-0.34^{+0.64}_{-0.66}$
$H \rightarrow \mu\tau_{had}$	SR1	$1.60^{+0.64}_{-0.45}$	1.55	$-0.07^{+0.81}_{-0.86}$
	SR2	$1.75^{+0.71}_{-0.49}$	3.51	$1.94^{+0.92}_{-0.89}$
	Combined	$1.24^{+0.50}_{-0.35}$	1.85	$0.77^{+0.62}_{-0.62}$
$H \rightarrow \mu\tau_{lep}$	SR <sub>noJets</sub>	$2.03^{+0.93}_{-0.57}$	2.38	$0.31^{+1.06}_{-0.99}$
	SR <sub>withJets</sub>	$3.57^{+1.74}_{-1.00}$	2.85	$-1.03^{+1.66}_{-1.82}$
	Combined	$1.73^{+0.74}_{-0.49}$	1.79	$0.03^{+0.88}_{-0.86}$
$H \rightarrow \mu\tau$	Combined	$1.01^{+0.40}_{-0.29}$	1.43	$0.53^{+0.51}_{-0.51}$

- Tension in the results, but not incompatible
- We need 2016 data to confirm or not the excess (2015 statistics not large enough to conclude)

# Limits on the Higgs Yukawa couplings

Run I  
summary

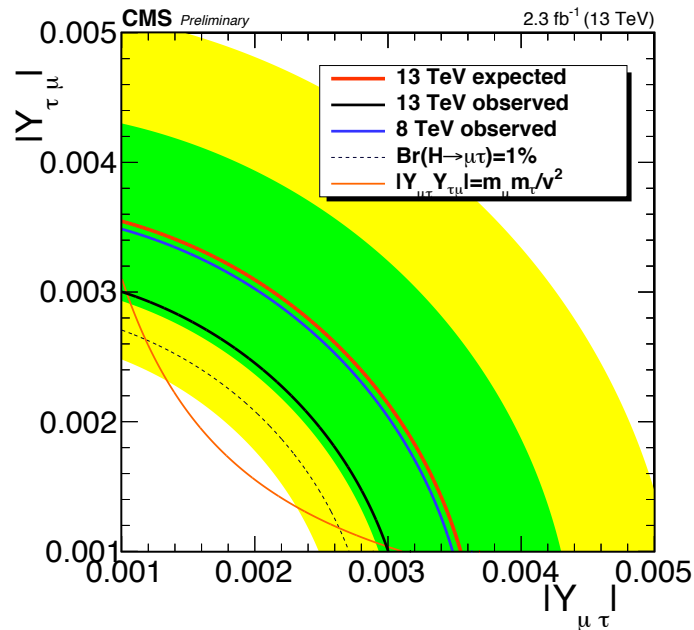
Channel	Coupling	95% CL Limit		
		Pre-LHC	CMS	ATLAS
$H \rightarrow \mu e$	$\sqrt{ Y_{\mu e} ^2 +  Y_{e\mu} ^2}$	$3.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$5.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	-
$H \rightarrow \mu \tau$	$\sqrt{ Y_{\mu\tau} ^2 +  Y_{\tau\mu} ^2}$	0.016	0.0036	0.0035
$H \rightarrow e \tau$	$\sqrt{ Y_{e\tau} ^2 +  Y_{\tau e} ^2}$	0.014	0.0024	0.0029



# Limits on the Higgs Yukawa couplings

With the  
new CMS  
result

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		Pre-LHC	CMS	ATLAS
$H \rightarrow \mu e$	$\sqrt{ Y_{\mu e} ^2 +  Y_{e\mu} ^2}$	$3.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$5.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	-
$H \rightarrow \mu \tau$	$\sqrt{ Y_{\mu\tau} ^2 +  Y_{\tau\mu} ^2}$	0.016	<b>0.00316</b>	0.0035
$H \rightarrow e \tau$	$\sqrt{ Y_{e\tau} ^2 +  Y_{\tau e} ^2}$	0.014	0.0024	0.0029



# Prospects and Plans for Run II

- Run 2016 dataset will be enough to close the HMuTau discussion @ 1%
- But targeting a signal at 1% is not the end of the story !
- Next (long term) target for the LFV Higgs searches to Leptons: go below the 0.5% threshold on the limits on the branching ratio for tau decays  
→ 0.1 % ?

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} \text{SM values} \\ \boxed{Y_{ee}} & Y_{e\mu} & Y_{e\tau} \\ Y_{\mu e} & \boxed{Y_{\mu\mu}} & Y_{\mu\tau} \\ Y_{\tau e} & Y_{\tau\mu} & \boxed{Y_{\tau\tau}} \end{pmatrix}$$

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	SM Higgs to leptons
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LFV Higgs Searches	CMS $H \rightarrow l'l'$ searches
	ATLAS $H \rightarrow l'l'$ searches
	Discussion of results
	Current limits on the couplings
	<b><math>Z \rightarrow l'l'</math> searches</b>
<b>LFV Z Searches</b>	<b>Current limits on the couplings</b>
FCNC Searches	$t \rightarrow Hc(u)$ searches
	Current limits on the couplings

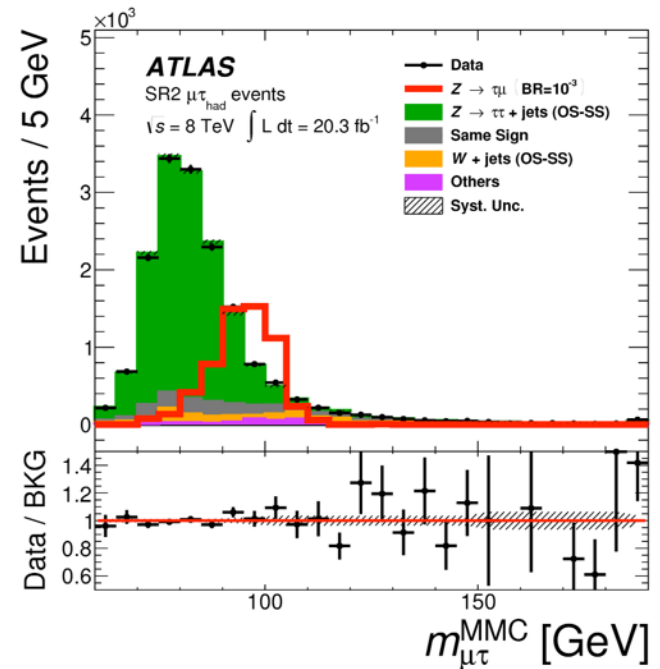
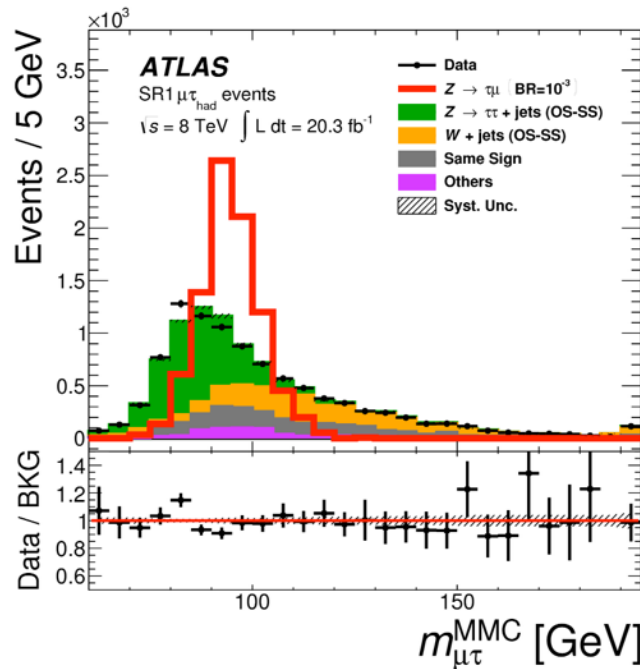
LFV ?



# Z $\mu\tau$

- ATLAS: Similar strategy as the one followed for the Higgs search
  - Lower momentum criteria for the leptons
  - Modifications to the shape corrections applied to WJets in SR1

Cut	SR1	SR2	WCR	TCR
$p_T(\mu)$	>30 GeV	>30 GeV	>30 GeV	>30 GeV
$p_T(\tau_{\text{had}})$	>30 GeV	>30 GeV	>30 GeV	>30 GeV
$ \eta(\mu) - \eta(\tau_{\text{had}}) $	<2	<2	<2	<2
$m_T^{\mu, E_T^{\text{miss}}}$	>30 GeV and <75 GeV	<30 GeV	>60 GeV	–
$m_T^{\tau_{\text{had}}, E_T^{\text{miss}}}$	<20 GeV	<45 GeV	>40 GeV	–
$N_{\text{jet}}$	–	–	–	>1
$N_{b\text{-jet}}$	0	0	0	>0

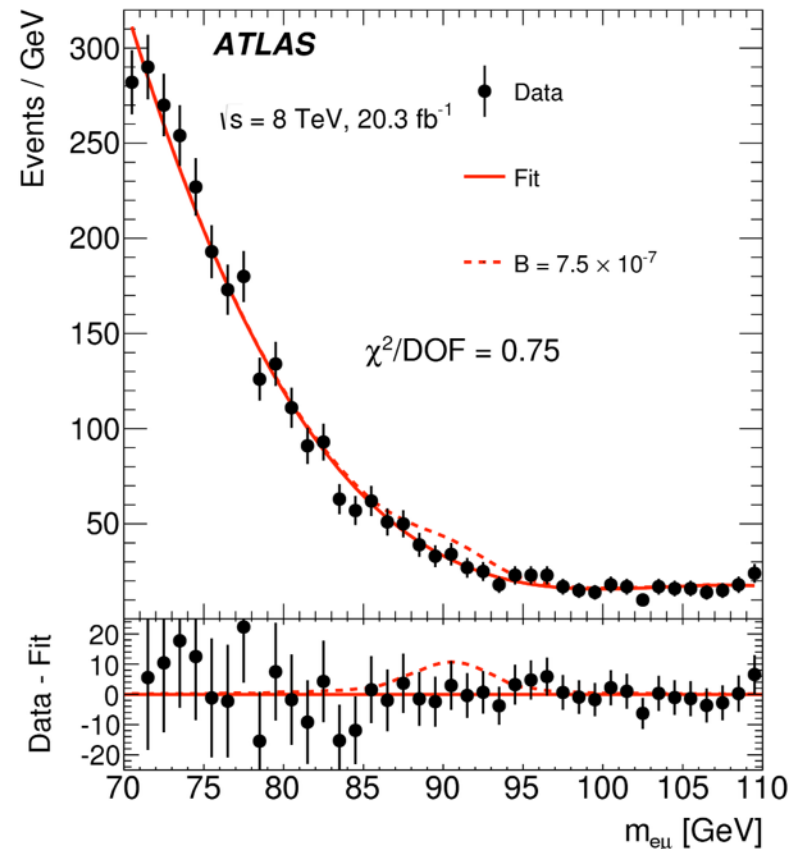
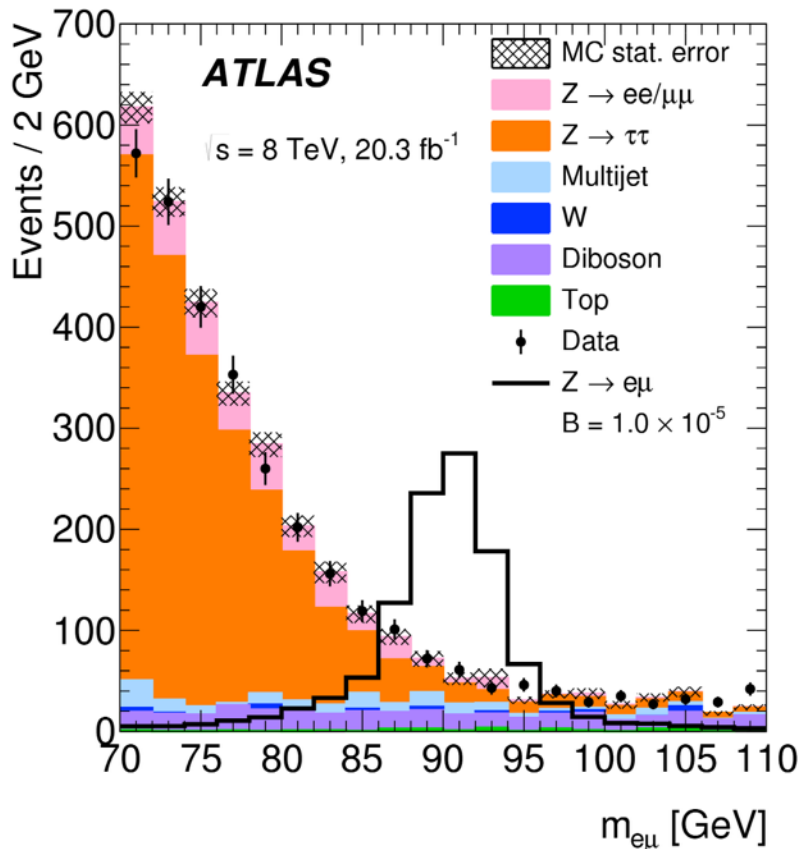


**ATLAS:**  
arXiv:1604.07730

# Z $e\mu$

- OS, OF selection of high pt isolated leptons
- ttbar and diboson backgrounds rejected through ETmiss and jet activity vetos  $\rightarrow$  after that DrellYan becomes the leading background
- Unbinned fit for signal extraction

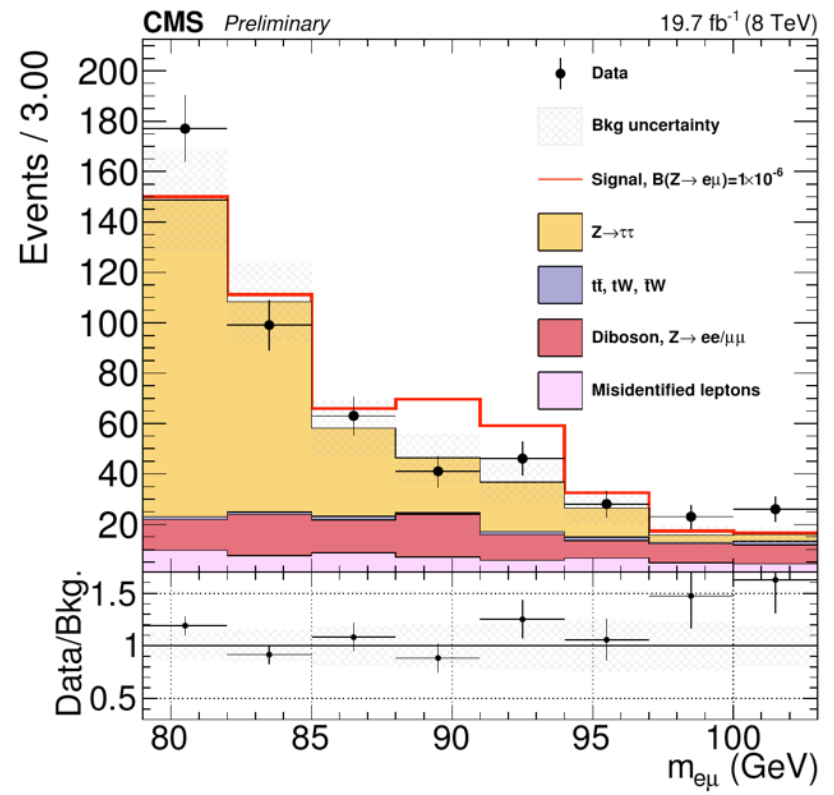
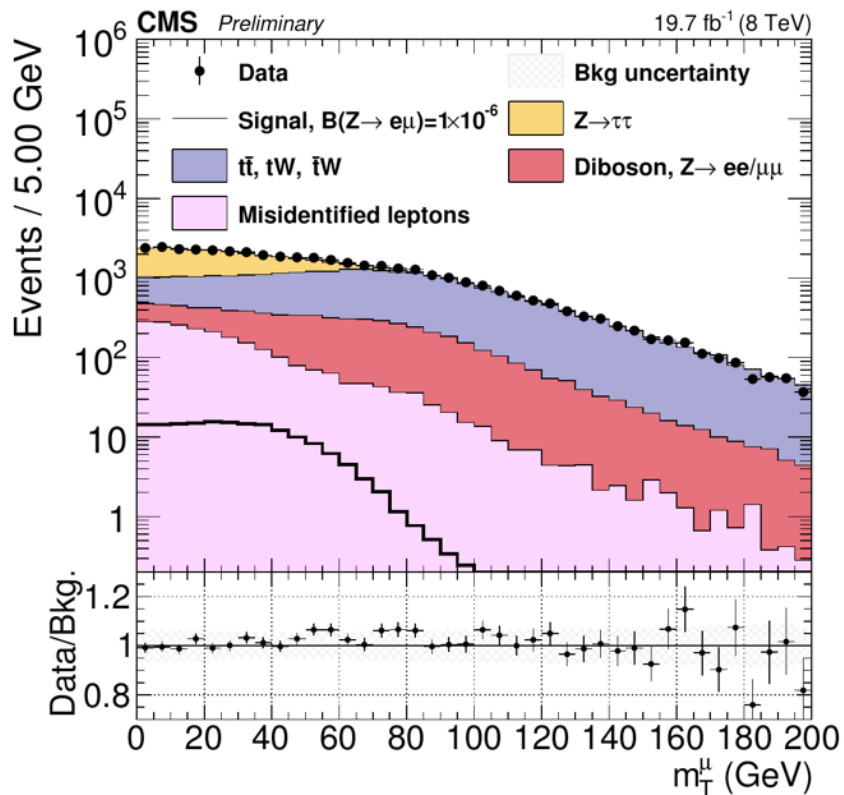
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# $Z e \mu$

- OS, OF selection of high pt isolated leptons
- $t\bar{t}$  and diboson backgrounds rejected through  $m_T$  and jet vetos
- DrellYan to taus modelled using the embedded method
- Template binned fit for signal extraction

**CMS:**  
**HIG-13-005**





# LFV Z decays

- No deviation from the SM observed
- For the channels probed, the limits on the branching ratio are already almost at the LEP level (mutau) or already tighter (emu)

95% CL	$\text{Br}(Z \rightarrow e\mu)$	$\text{Br}(Z \rightarrow e\tau)$	$\text{Br}(Z \rightarrow \mu\tau)$
LEP	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$9.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-5}$
CMS	$7.3 \cdot 10^{-7}$ ( $6.7 \cdot 10^{-7}$ )	-	-
ATLAS	$7.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$	-	$1.69 \cdot 10^{-5}$ ( $2.6 \cdot 10^{-5}$ )

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LFV ?

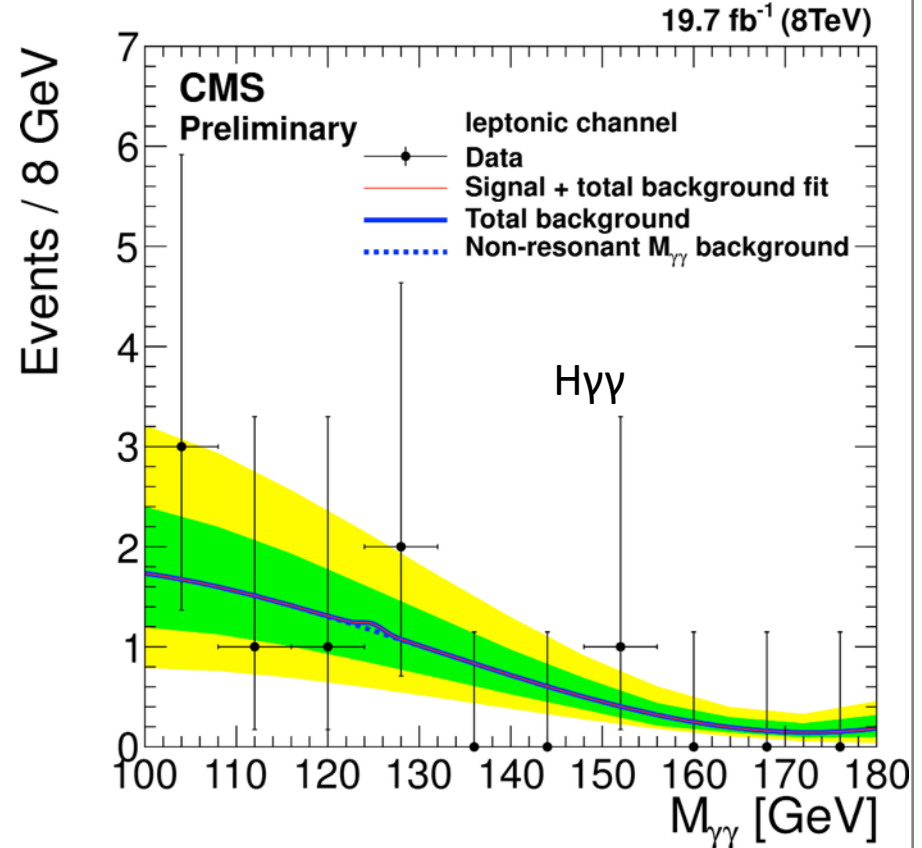
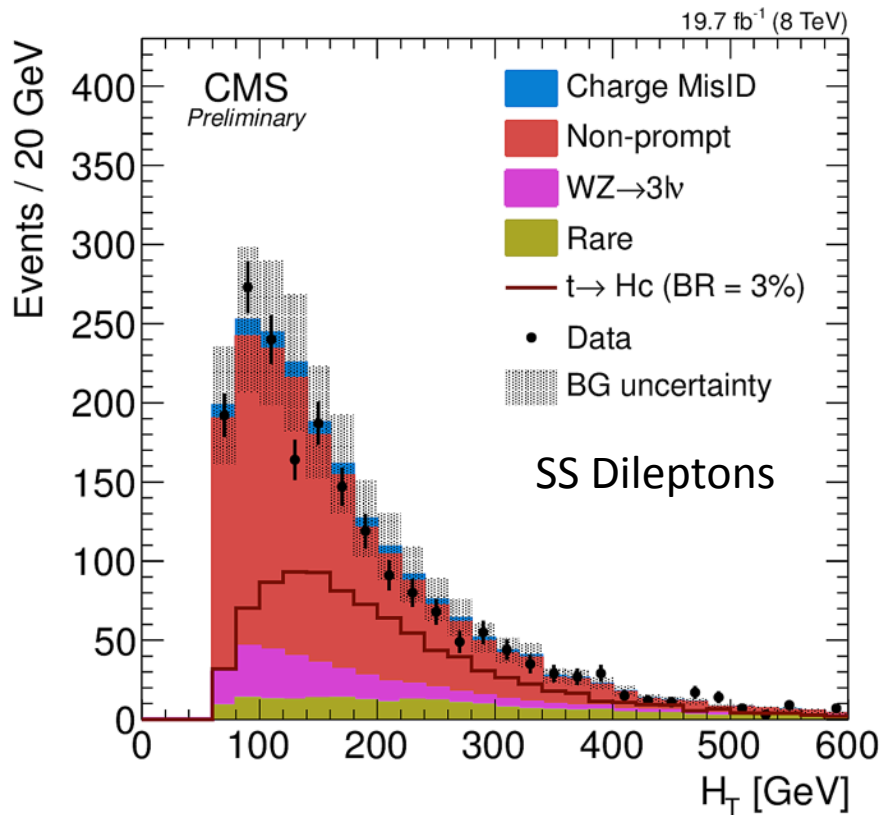


# $t \rightarrow Hc$ and $t \rightarrow Hu$

- Studied in  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow WbHc(u)$
- CMS: multilepton / HWW / H $\tau\tau$  / H $\gamma\gamma$  final states

CMS:  
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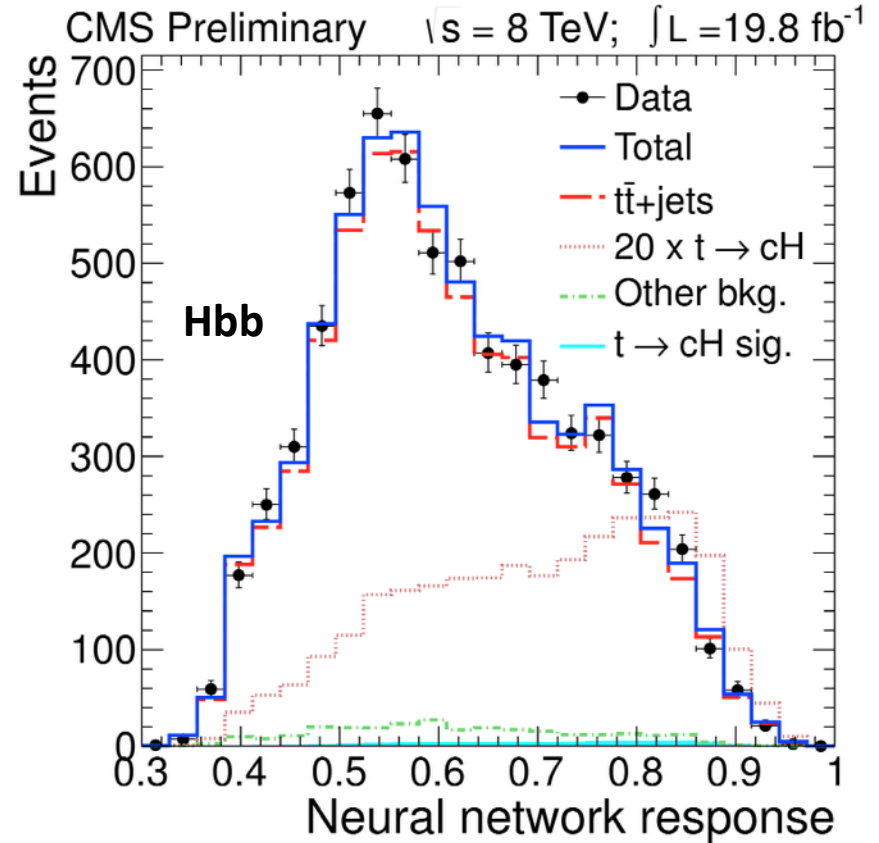
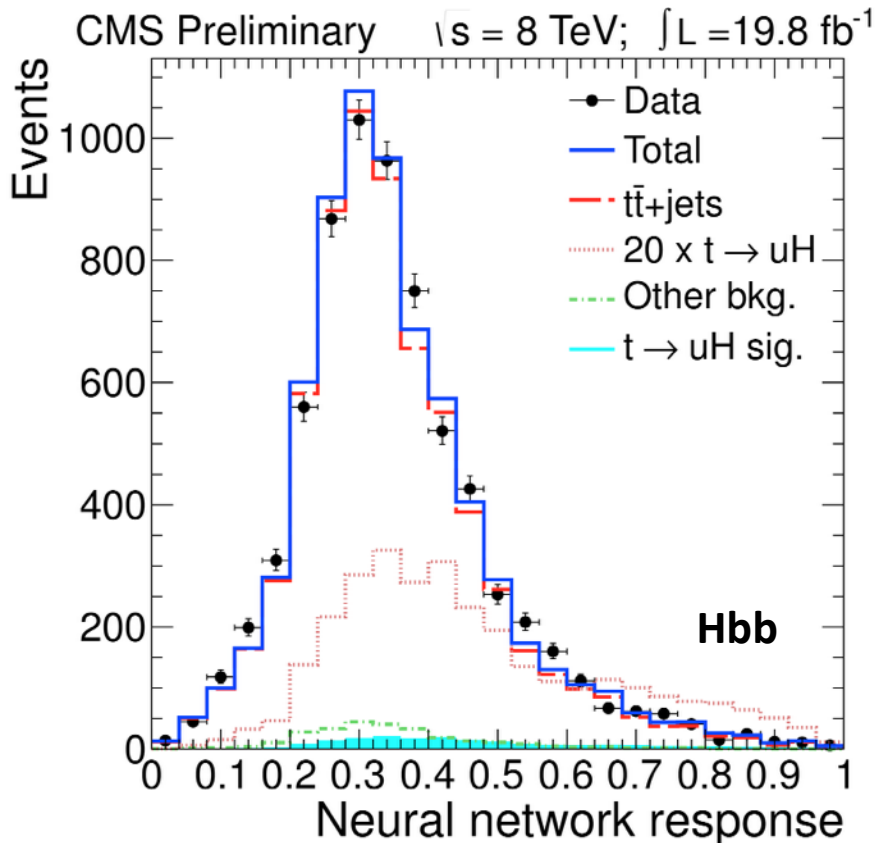
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- Studied in  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow WbHc(u)$
- CMS: multilepton /  $Hbb$  /  $H\gamma\gamma$  final states

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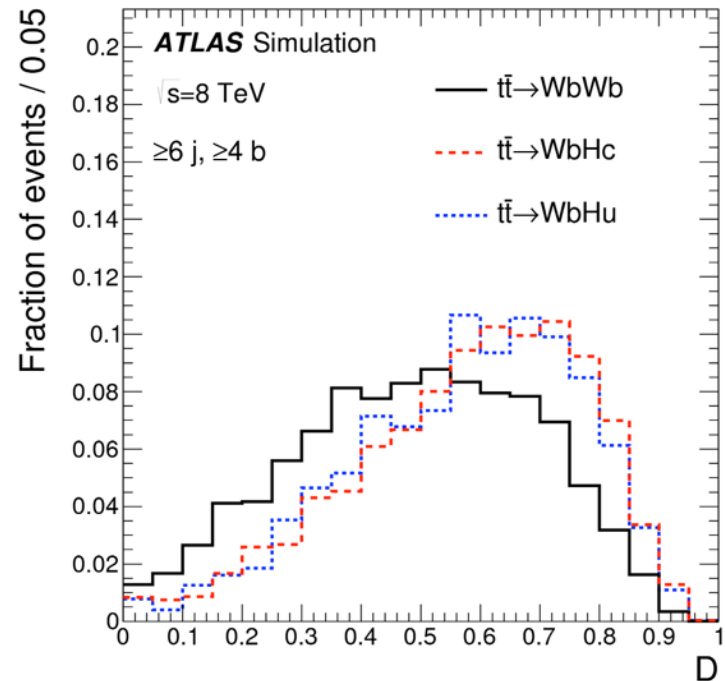
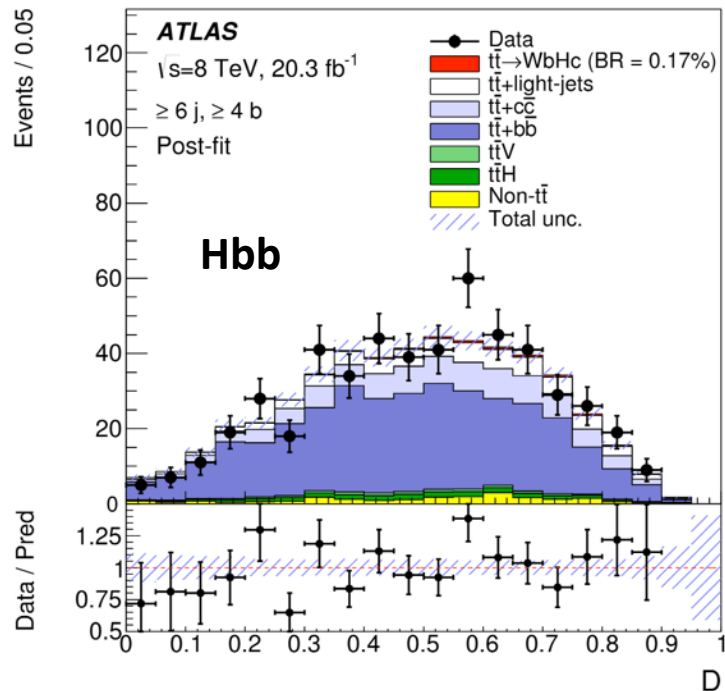


# $t \rightarrow Hc$ and $t \rightarrow Hu$

- Studied in  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow WbHc(u)$
- ATLAS:  $Hbb$  /  $HWW$  /  $H\tau\tau$  /  $H\gamma\gamma$  final states
- $Hbb$ : Signal extraction through fit to a  $D$  discriminator

ATLAS:  
JHEP 12 (2015) 061

$$D(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{P^{\text{sig}}(\mathbf{x})}{P^{\text{sig}}(\mathbf{x}) + P^{\text{bkg}}(\mathbf{x})},$$



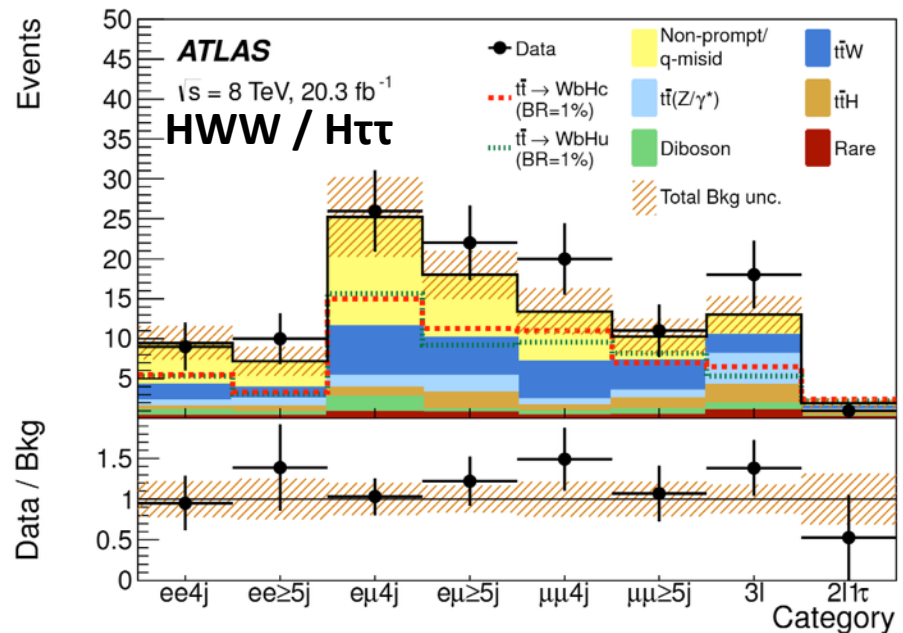
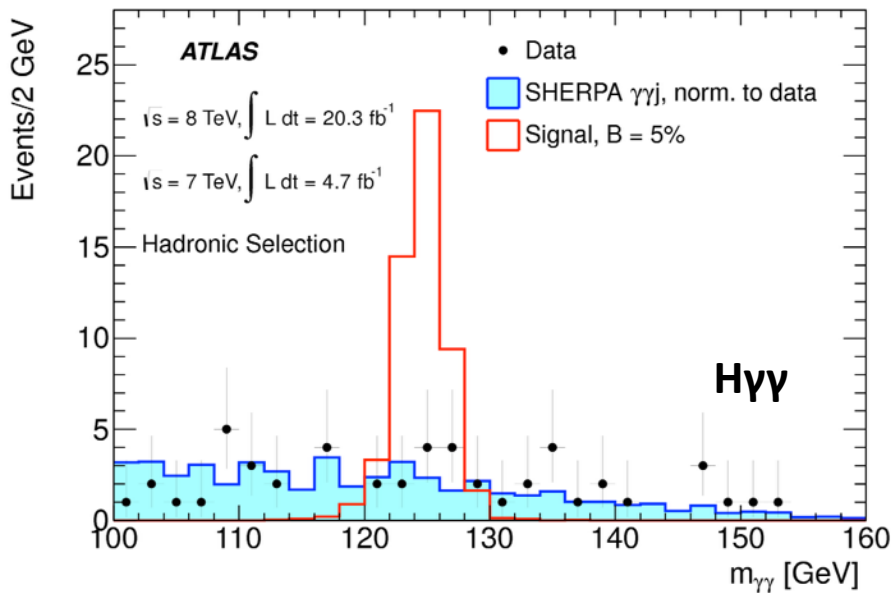
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- $H\gamma\gamma$ : Signal extraction through fit to diphoton mass distribution

ATLAS:  
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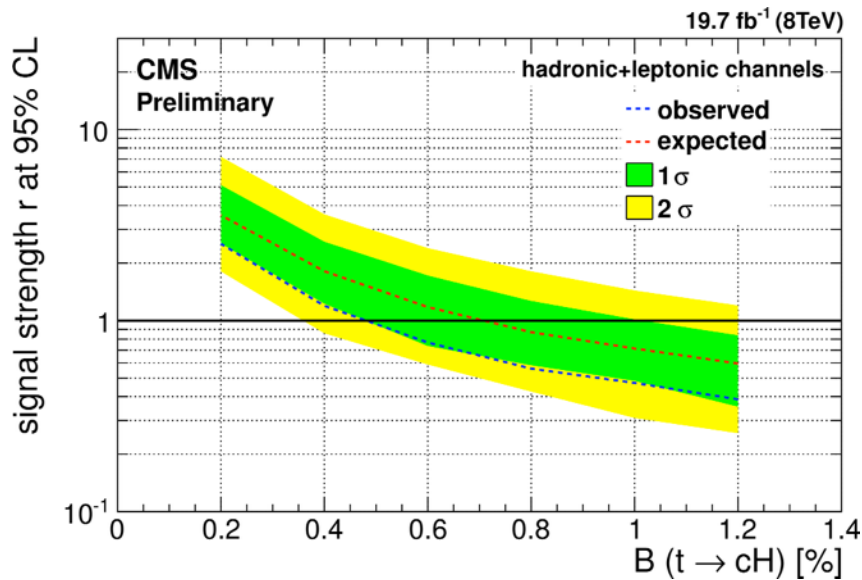
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- $HWW$ : categories based on the number of leptons and jets

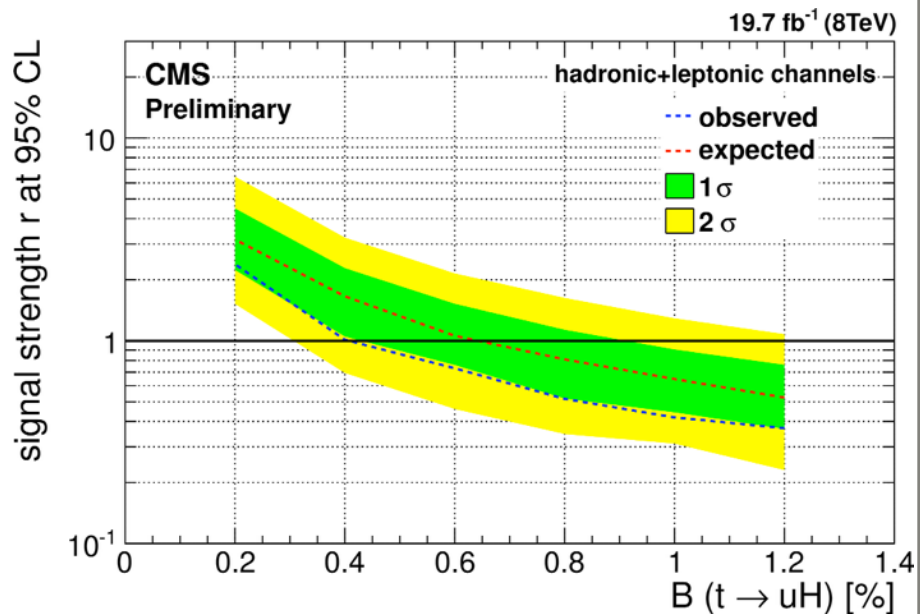


# $t \rightarrow Hc$ and $t \rightarrow Hu$

95% CL	$\text{Br}(t \rightarrow Hc)$	$\text{Br}(t \rightarrow Hu)$
CMS Multilepton	0.93% ( $0.89\%^{+1.22}_{-0.65}$ )	-
CMS $H\gamma\gamma$	0.47% (0.71%)	0.42% (0.65%)
CMS $Hbb$	1.16% (0.89%)	1.92% (0.85%)

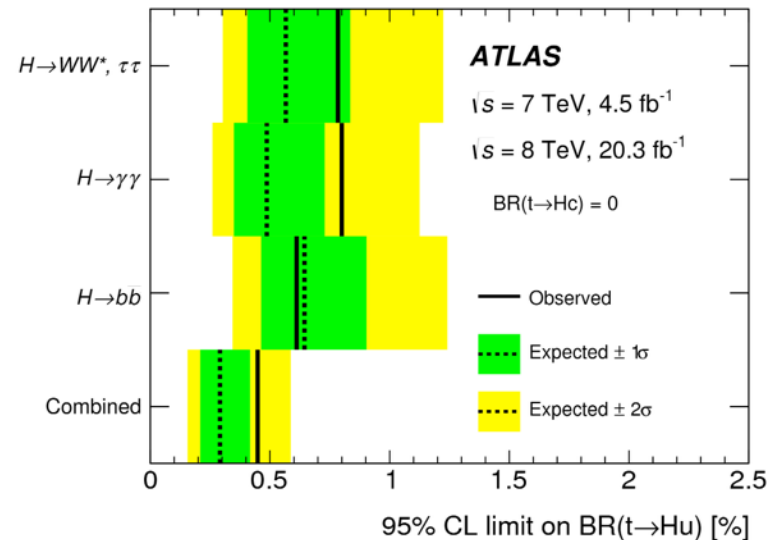
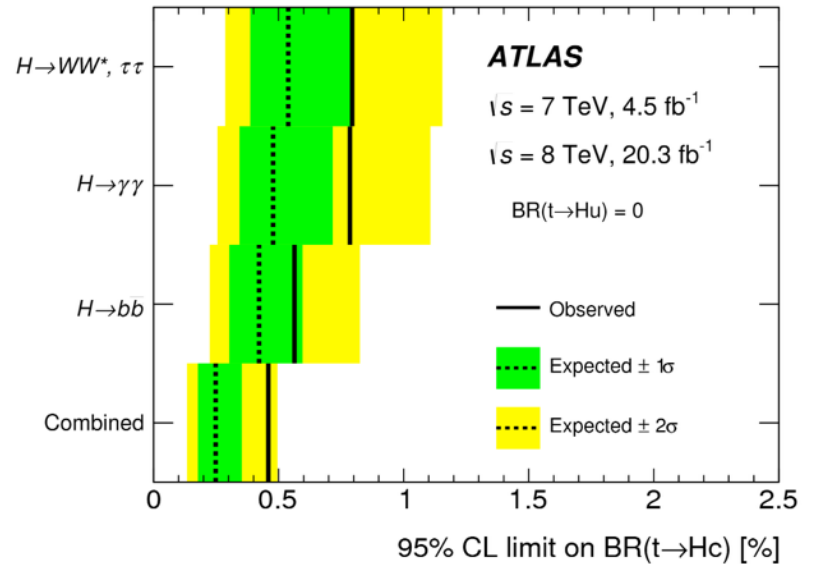
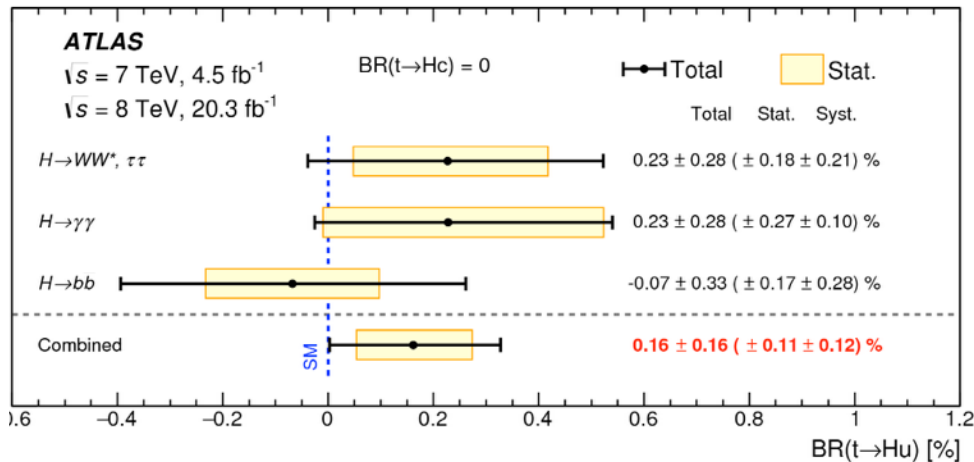
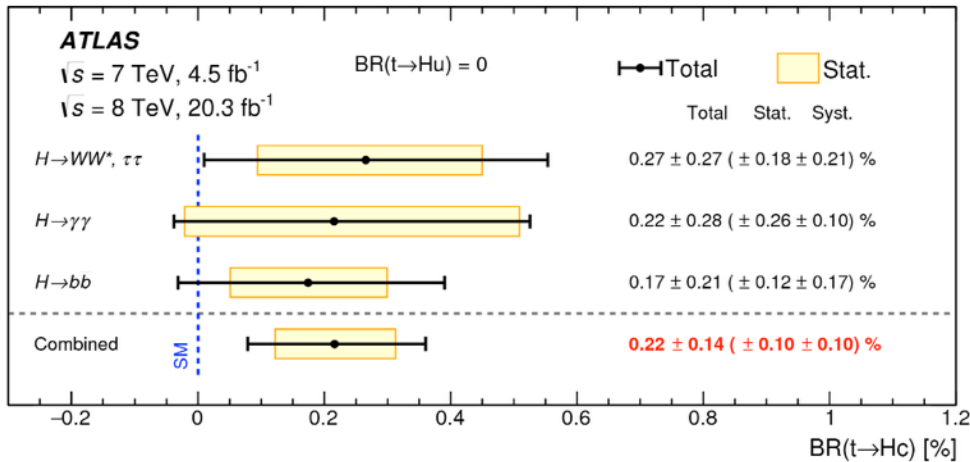


$$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Hc) \simeq 0.29 \left( |\lambda_{tc}^H|^2 + |\lambda_{ct}^H|^2 \right)$$



# $t \rightarrow Hc$ and $t \rightarrow Hu$

Combined limits:  $\text{Br}(t \rightarrow Hc) < 0.46\%$  ( $0.25\%$ )  
and  $\text{Br}(t \rightarrow Hu) < 0.45\%$  ( $0.29\%$ ) @ 95% CL

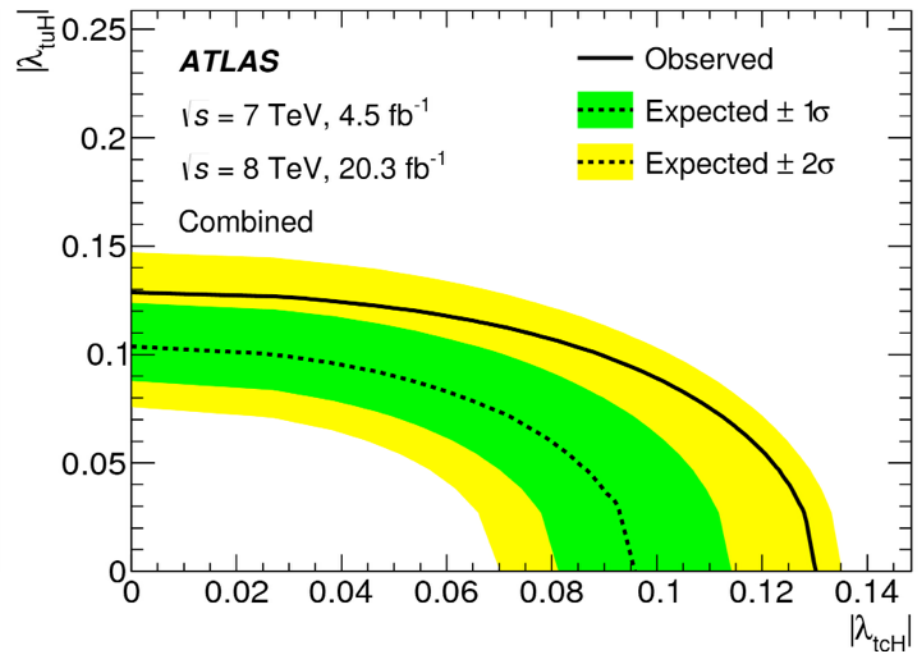
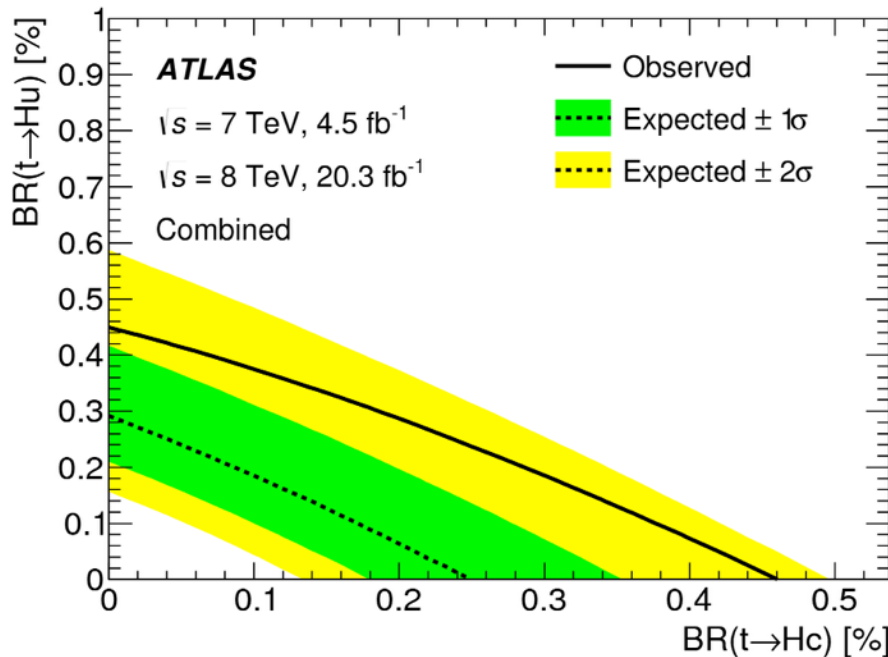




# $t \rightarrow Hc$ and $t \rightarrow Hu$

Simultaneous and independent limits for the two couplings

Combined limits:  $|\lambda_{tcH}| < 0.13$  (0.10) and  $|\lambda_{tuH}| < 0.13$  (0.10)



Brief Introduction	LFV Lepton Couplings
	SM Higgs to leptons
	Quark Couplings
LFV Higgs Searches	CMS $H \rightarrow l l'$ searches
	ATLAS $H \rightarrow l l'$ searches
	Discussion of results
	Current limits on the couplings
LFV Z Searches	$Z \rightarrow l l'$ searches
	Current limits on the couplings
FCNC Searches	$t \rightarrow H c(u)$ searches
	Current limits on the couplings

LFV ?



# What Next?

# Summary

- The SM-like Brout-Englert-Higgs boson discovery opens a era of precision physics
  - Comprehensive set of production and decay measurements performed using the 7 and 8 TeV CMS data
  - Searches in rarer modes become sensitive enough for discovery
- First direct searches for LFV Higgs decays, in the three decay channels:  $\mu\tau$ ,  $\mu e$ ,  $e\tau$ , performed by ATLAS and CMS
  - The limits on the  $\text{Br}(H \rightarrow l\tau)$  are one order of magnitude tighter than the preexisting non-LHC ones
  - Slight excess of the CMS 8TeV result not confirmed (but not excluded) by ATLAS or by the first preliminary 13TeV results
  - No deviation from the background-only hypothesis is observed for the  $e\tau$  channel or  $\mu e$  channels
  - We need 2016 data!!
- Searches for LFV Z decays @ the LHC competitive with LEP
- FCNC: Probe of  $\lambda_{tHq}$  through  $t\bar{t}$  decays to  $WbHq$  (stat. limited in Run I)

Backup

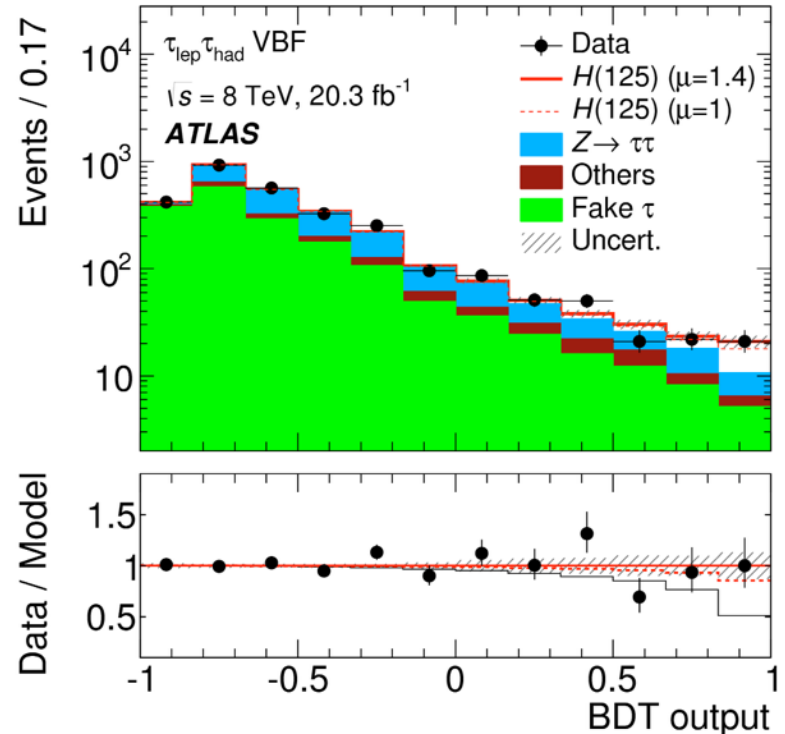
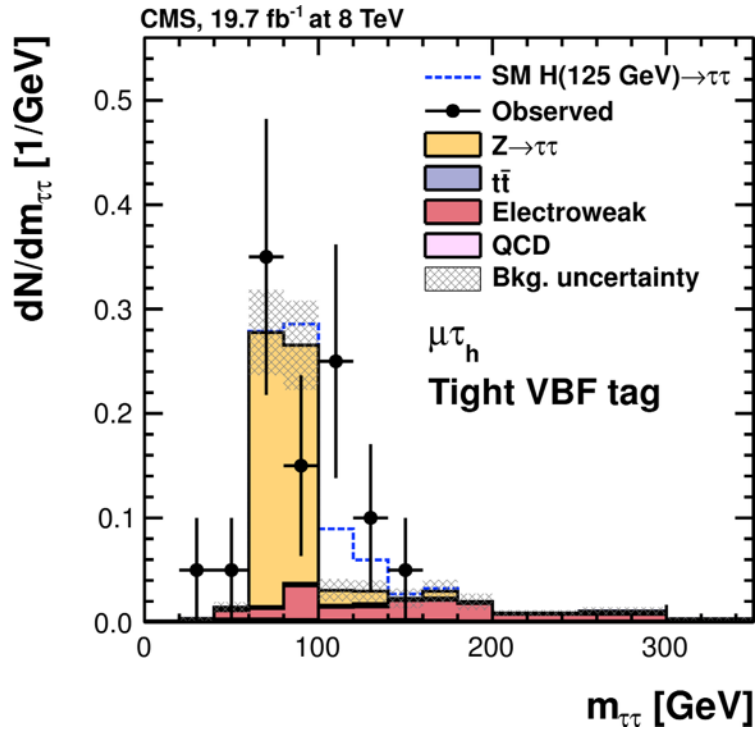
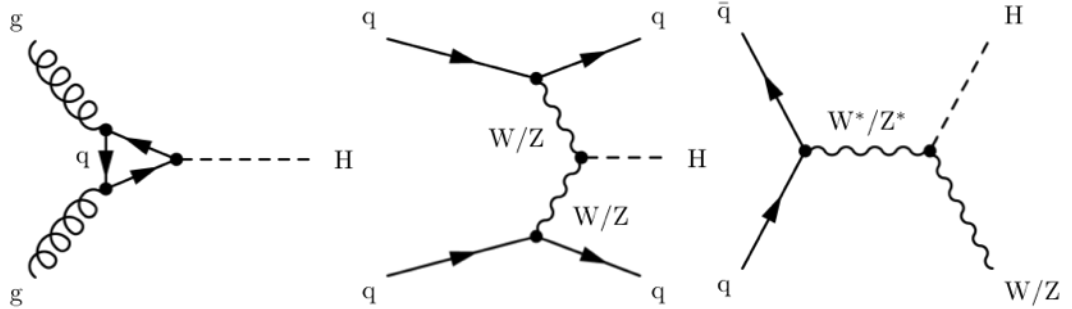
# Higgs Decay to Tau Pairs

Final states VBF + GF:

$e\mu, \mu\mu, e\tau_h, \mu\tau_h, \tau_h\tau_h$

Also, VH (WH & ZH):

$l\tau_h, l\tau_h\tau_h, ll\tau_h\tau_h$



CMS:JHEP 05 (2014) 104

ATLAS: JHEP 04 (2015) 117

# Higgs Decay to Tau Pairs

## Signal strength $\mu$ ( $\sigma/\sigma_{sm}$ ):

ATLAS: 1.43 (+0.43, -0.37)

ATLAS Cut Based: 1.43 (+0.55, -0.49)

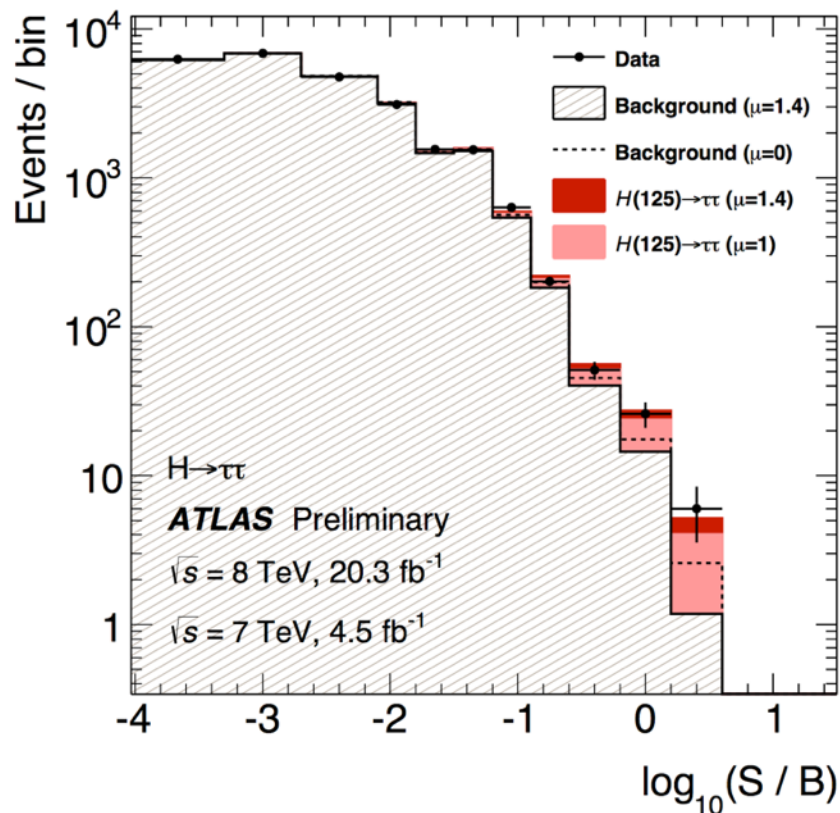
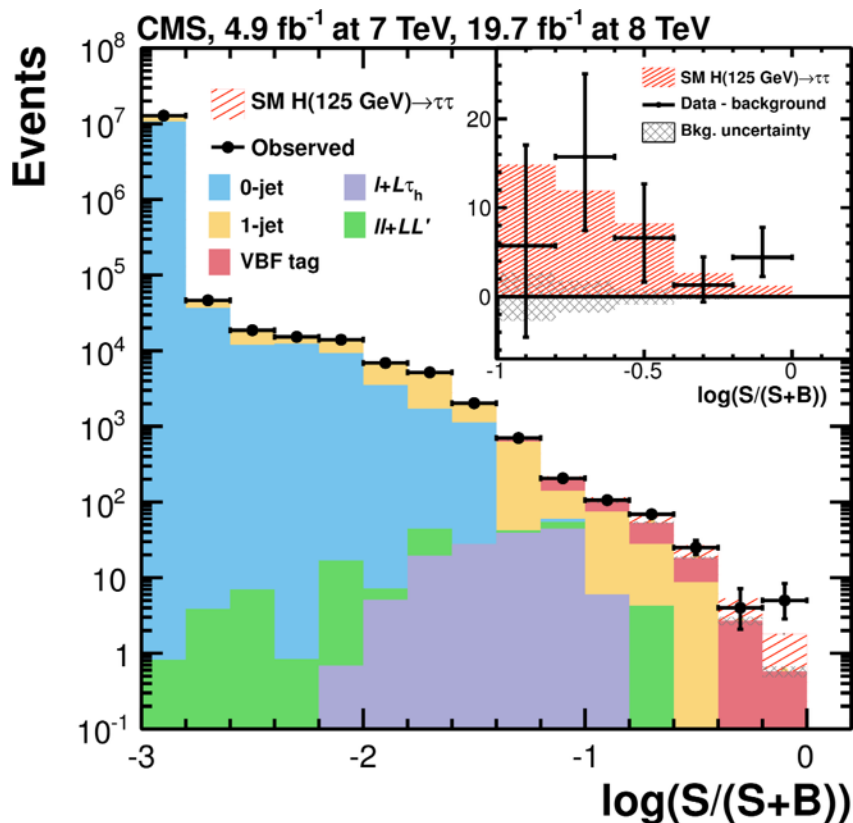
CMS: 0.78 +/- 0.27

## Significance @125 GeV

ATLAS: 4.5  $\sigma$  (3.4  $\sigma$  exp.)

ATLAS Cut Based: 3.2  $\sigma$  (2.5  $\sigma$ )

CMS: 3.2  $\sigma$  (3.7  $\sigma$  Exp.)

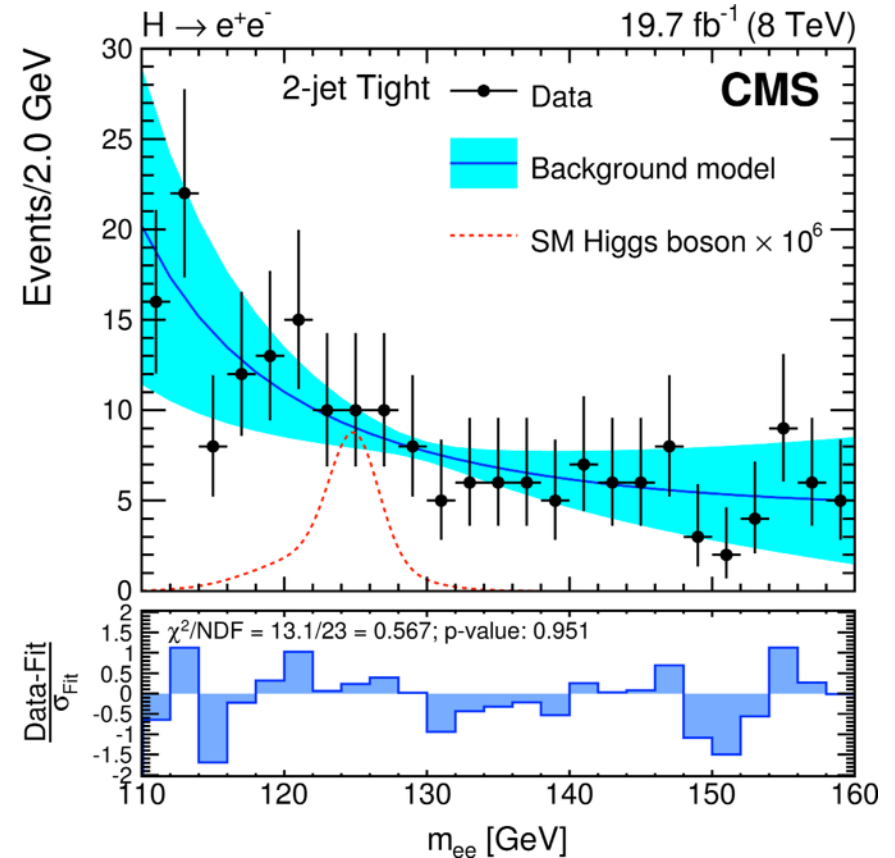
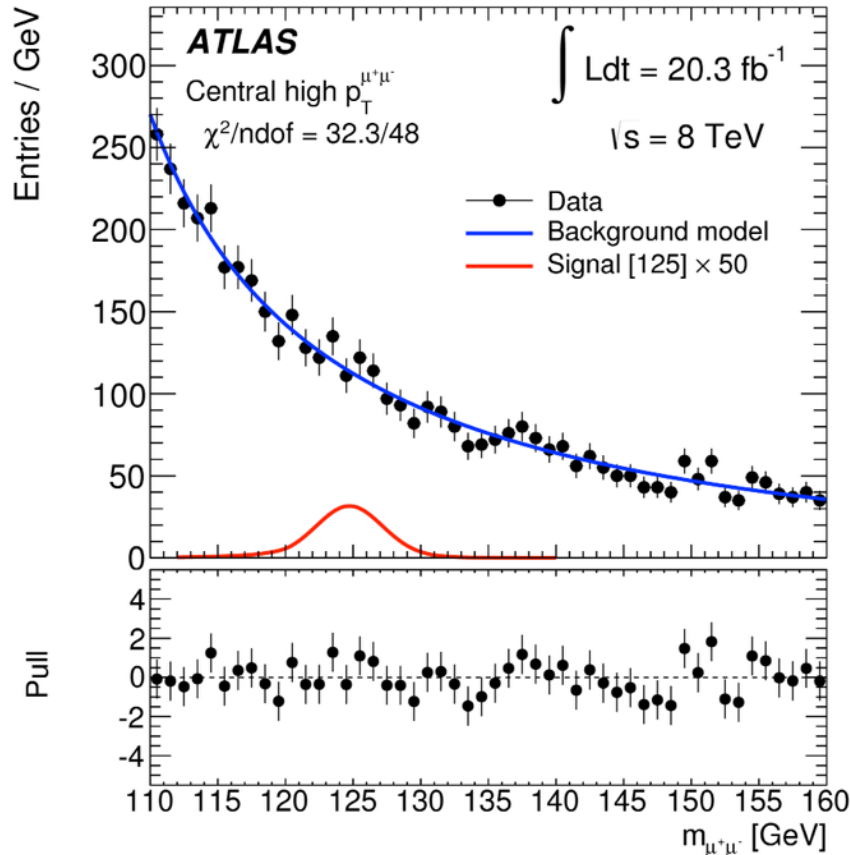


# Higgs Decay to Muon or Electron Pairs

**Parametric fit**; categories depending on the number of jets in the event (to target VBF) and the centrality of both leptons

**CMS:**  
PLB 744 (2015) 184

**ATLAS:**  
PLB 738 (2014) 68-86



# Higgs Decay to Muon or Electron Pairs

ATLAS  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$

$$\sigma/\sigma_{\text{SM}} < 7.0 \text{ (7.2)}$$

CMS  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$

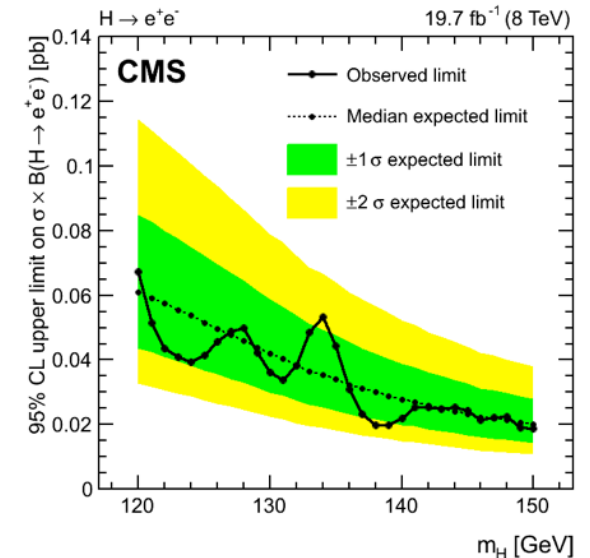
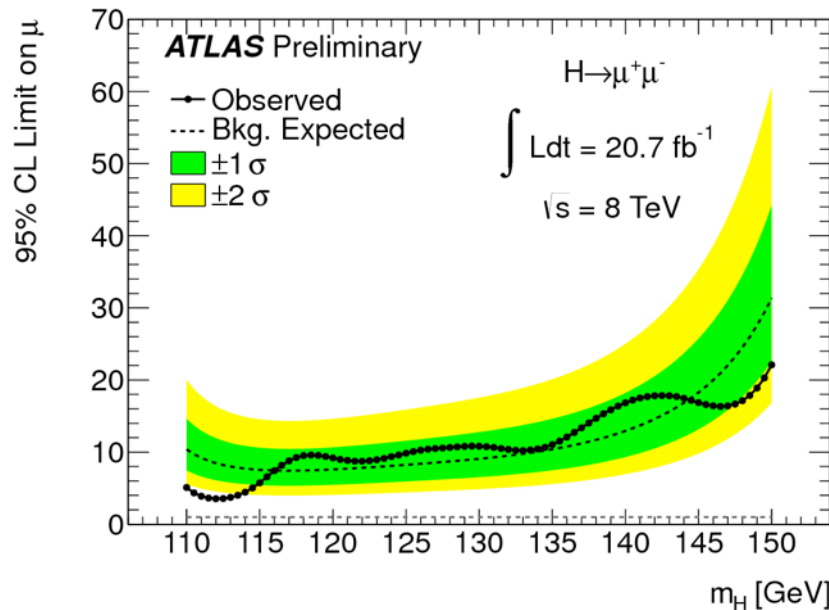
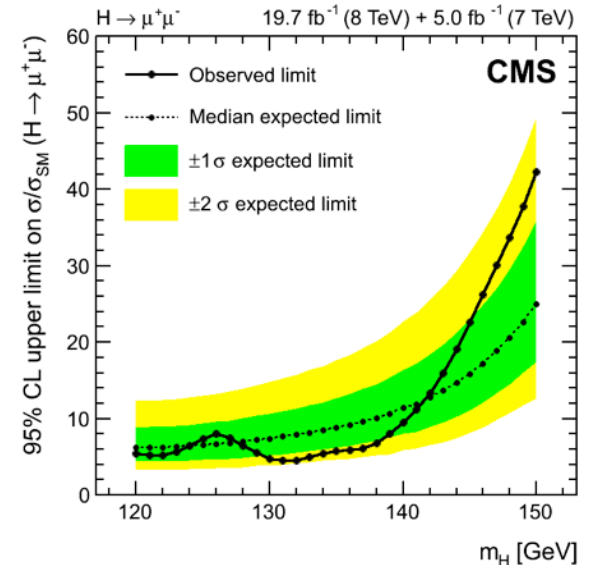
$$\sigma/\sigma_{\text{SM}} < 7.4 \text{ (6.5}_{-1.9}^{+2.8})$$

CMS  $H \rightarrow ee$

$$\text{Br}(H_{ee}) < 0.0019$$

$(3.7 \cdot 10^5 \text{ times the SM})$

Together with  $H\tau\tau$ , exclusion of universal coupling to leptons

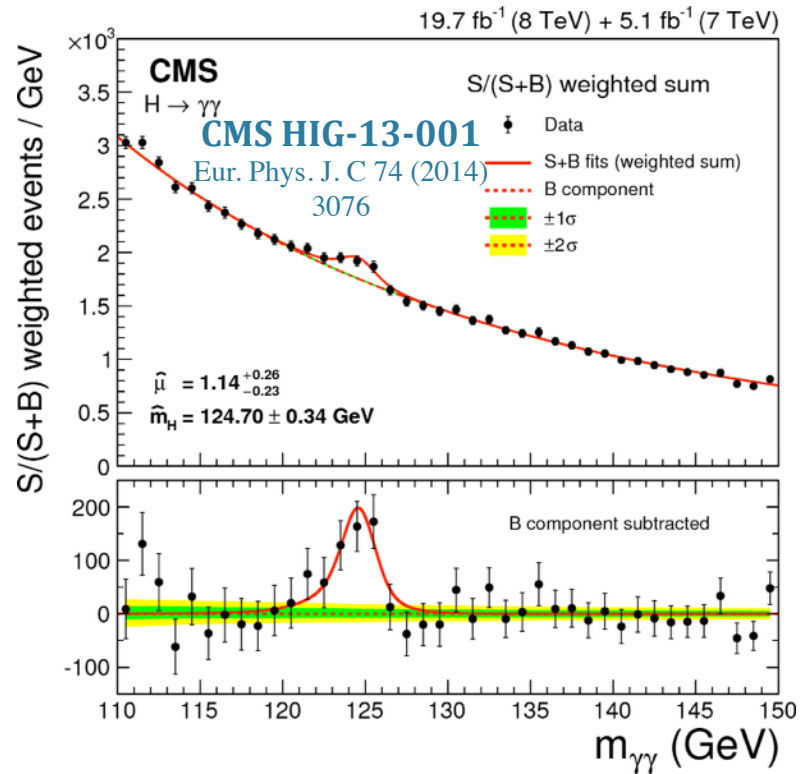
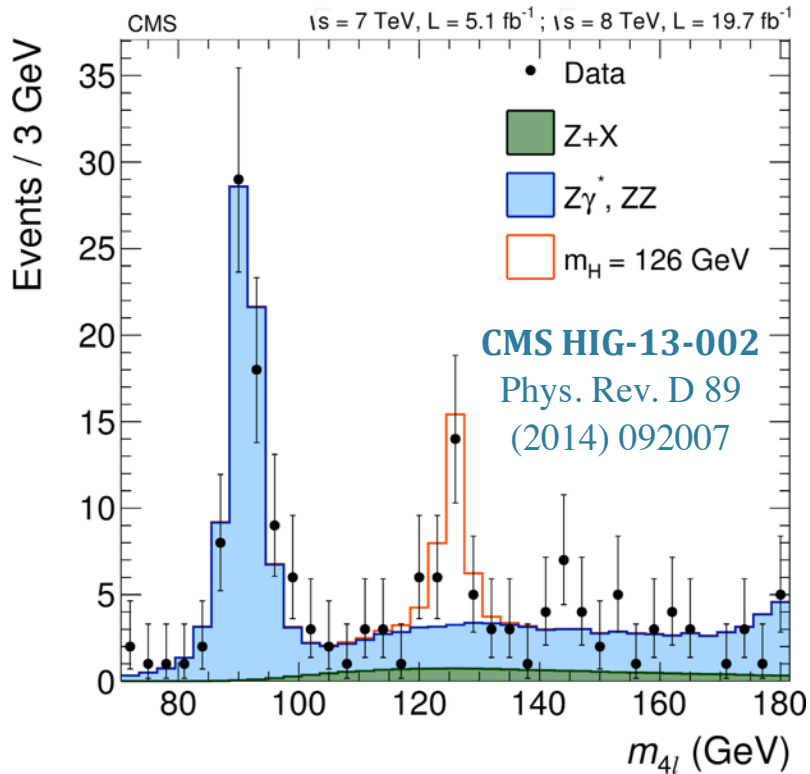




# From the LHC Run I...



- The discovery of a new particle



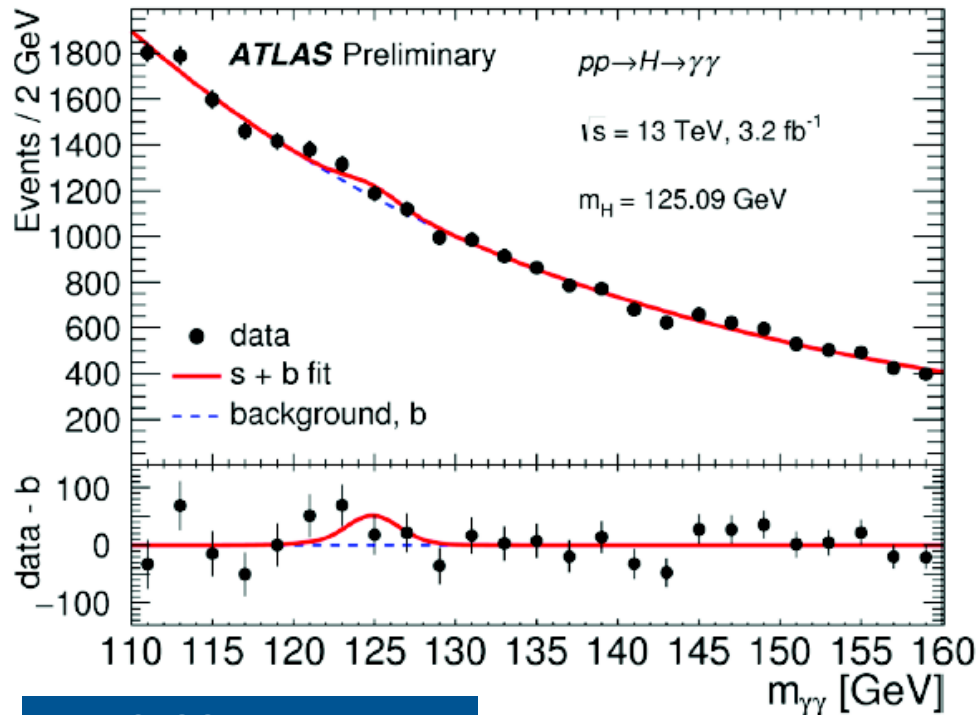
$$m_H = 125.03 \pm 0.30 \left[ \begin{array}{l} +0.26 \\ -0.27 \end{array} (\text{stat.}) \begin{array}{l} +0.13 \\ -0.15 \end{array} (\text{syst.}) \right] \text{ GeV}$$

But what is it really?

# ..to the beginning of Run II

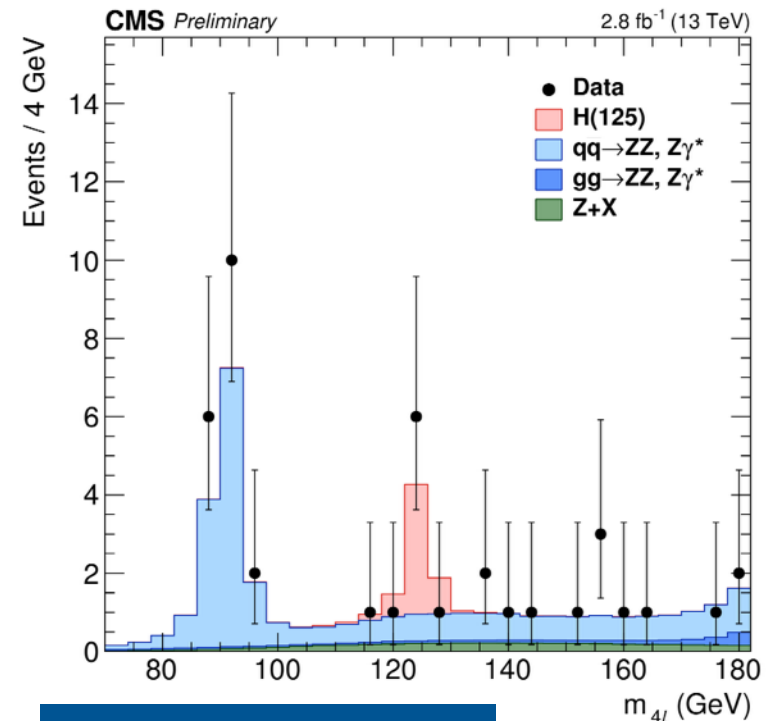
First task of the Higgs groups: re-discovering the Higgs @ 13TeV

- So far results remain consistent with the SM
- Statistics limited in the 2015 run
- Extended picture expected for the summer conferences



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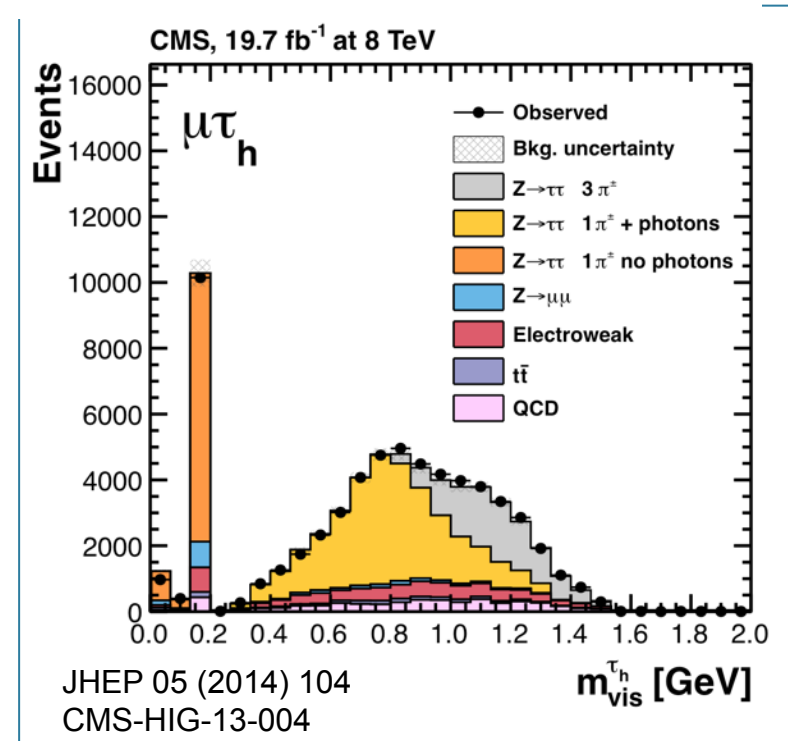
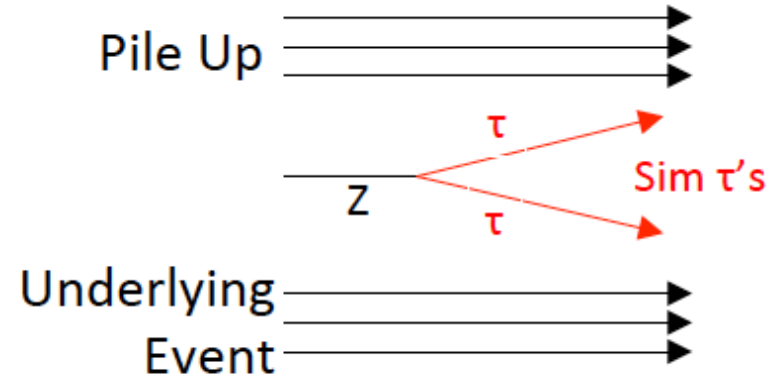


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# Z → ττ Modeling

- Z → ττ is the dominant background in the  $\mu\tau_e$  channel and significant in the  $\mu\tau_{had}$  channel
- Very similar kinematics to the SM  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  & the signal
  - Overall 3% yield systematic uncertainty → from Z → ττ cross-section
- Shape modeling using the embedded technique developed by  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  → exploits the 20 fb<sup>-1</sup> CMS Z → μμ dataset to model key issues like PU, MET → we rely on MC only for the tau decay



# From the PDG

## $\Gamma(e^- \gamma) / \Gamma_{\text{total}}$

$\Gamma_{178} / \Gamma$

Test of lepton family number conservation.

VALUE	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
<b><math>&lt; 3.3 \times 10^{-8}</math></b>	90	AUBERT	10B BABR	$516 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $E_{\text{cm}}^{ee} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
$< 1.2 \times 10^{-7}$	90	HAYASAKA	08 BELL	$535 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $E_{\text{cm}}^{ee} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$
$< 1.1 \times 10^{-7}$	90	AUBERT	06C BABR	$232 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $E_{\text{cm}}^{ee} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$
$< 3.9 \times 10^{-7}$	90	HAYASAKA	05 BELL	$86.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $E_{\text{cm}}^{ee} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$

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## $\Gamma(\mu^- \gamma) / \Gamma_{\text{total}}$

$\Gamma_{179} / \Gamma$

Test of lepton family number conservation.

VALUE	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	COMMENT
<b><math>&lt; 4.4 \times 10^{-8}</math></b>	90	AUBERT	10B BABR	$516 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $E_{\text{cm}}^{ee} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$
• • • We do not use the following data for averages, fits, limits, etc. • • •				
$< 4.5 \times 10^{-8}$	90	HAYASAKA	08 BELL	$535 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $E_{\text{cm}}^{ee} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$
$< 6.8 \times 10^{-8}$	90	AUBERT,B	05A BABR	$232 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $E_{\text{cm}}^{ee} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$
$< 3.1 \times 10^{-7}$	90	ABE	04B BELL	$86.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , $E_{\text{cm}}^{ee} = 10.6 \text{ GeV}$

## $\Gamma(e^- \gamma) / \Gamma_{\text{total}}$

$\Gamma_5 / \Gamma$

Forbidden by lepton family number conservation.

VALUE (units $10^{-11}$ )	CL%	DOCUMENT ID	TECN	CHG	COMMENT
<b><math>&lt; 0.057</math></b>	90	ADAM	13B SPEC	+	MEG at PSI
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$< 0.24$	90	ADAM	11 SPEC	+	MEG at PSI
$< 2.8$	90	ADAM	10 SPEC	+	MEG at PSI
$< 1.2$	90	AHMED	02 SPEC	+	MEGA
$< 1.2$	90	BROOKS	99 SPEC	+	LAMPF

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