



Higgs Searches and Perspectives at the Tevatron



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<u>Outline</u>



 $\begin{array}{l} \text{SM Higgs} \rightarrow \text{bb (lower mass)} \\ \text{WH} \rightarrow \text{lvbb} \\ \text{ZH} \rightarrow \text{vvbb} \\ \text{ZH} \rightarrow \text{llbb} \end{array}$

SM Higgs \rightarrow WW (higher mass) H \rightarrow WW WH \rightarrow WWW

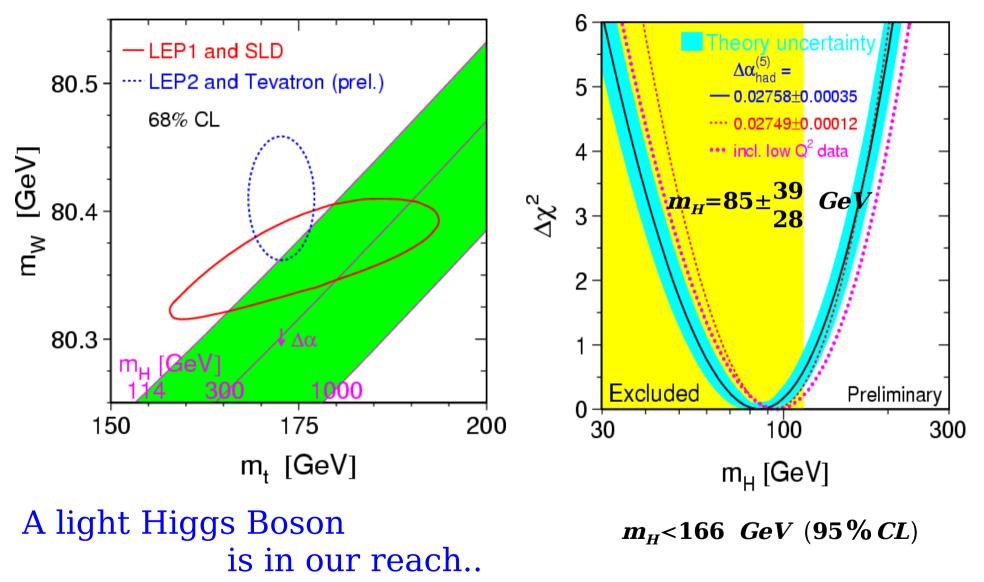
MSSM Higgs $A \rightarrow \tau \tau$

Perspectives and Summary

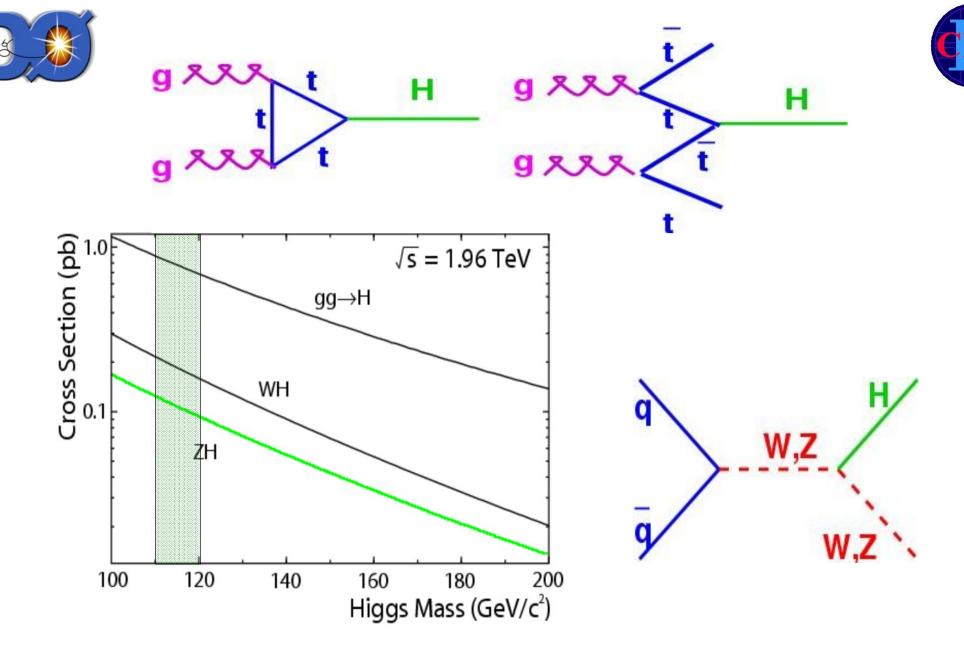




Stalking the wild Higgs



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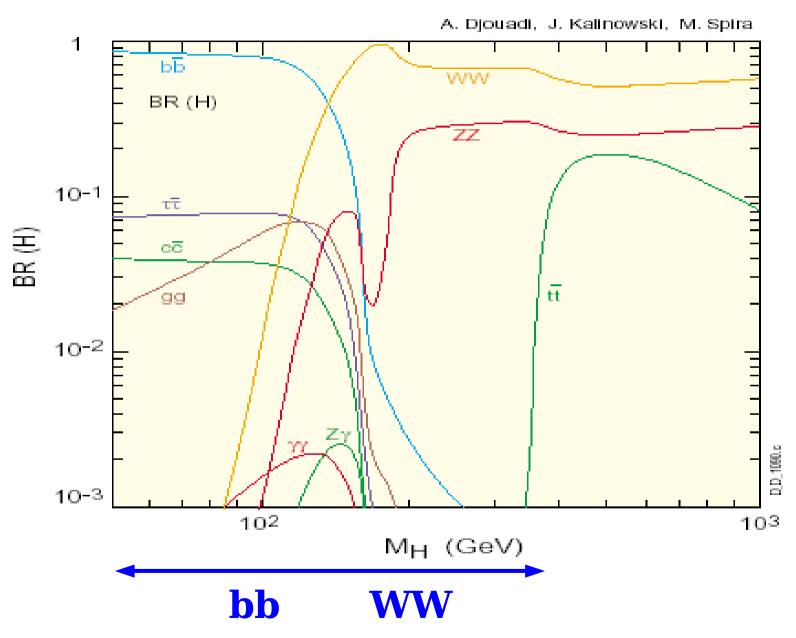


~one in $10^{12} pp$ events will be a Higgs boson



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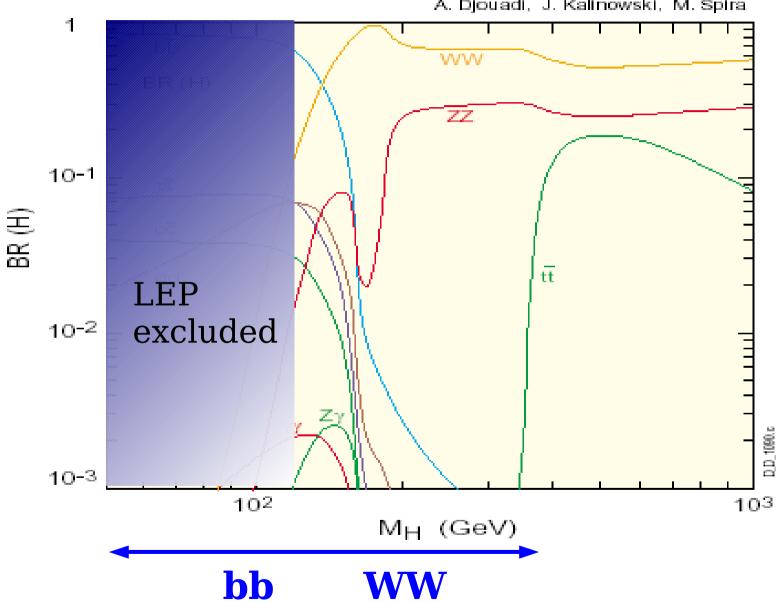




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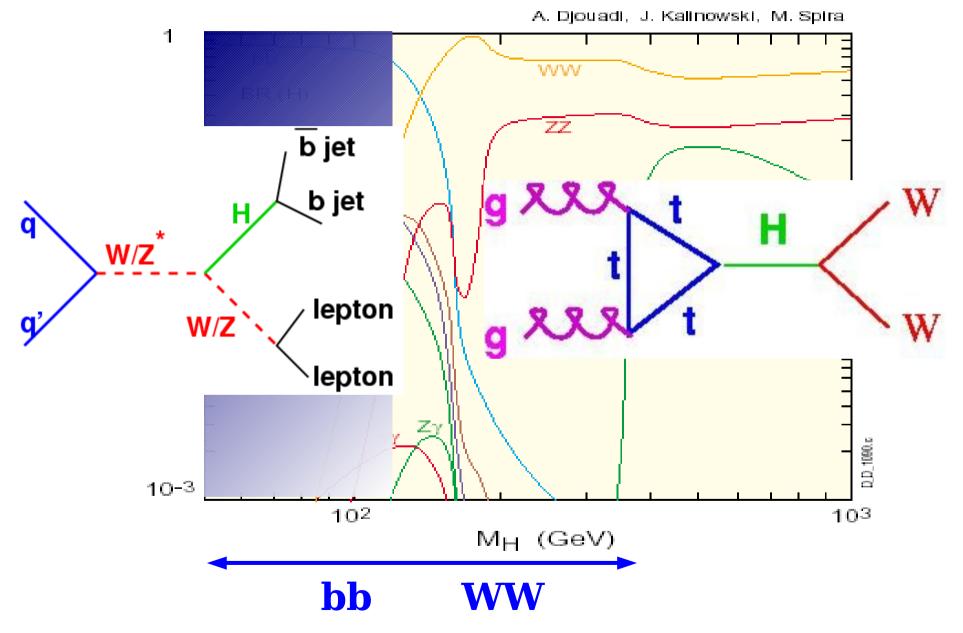


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Branching Fractions:





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- Jet reconstruction
- B tagging (IP, muons, sec. vertices, NN)
- Electron identification
- Muon identification
- Missing transverse energy

require excellent trigger and detector performance

Backgrounds:

- Electroweak background (W, Z, WW, WZ, top) kinematic distributions using Monte Carlo normalised with (N)NLO calculations
- QCD and instrumental background taken from data using control samples

b decay length

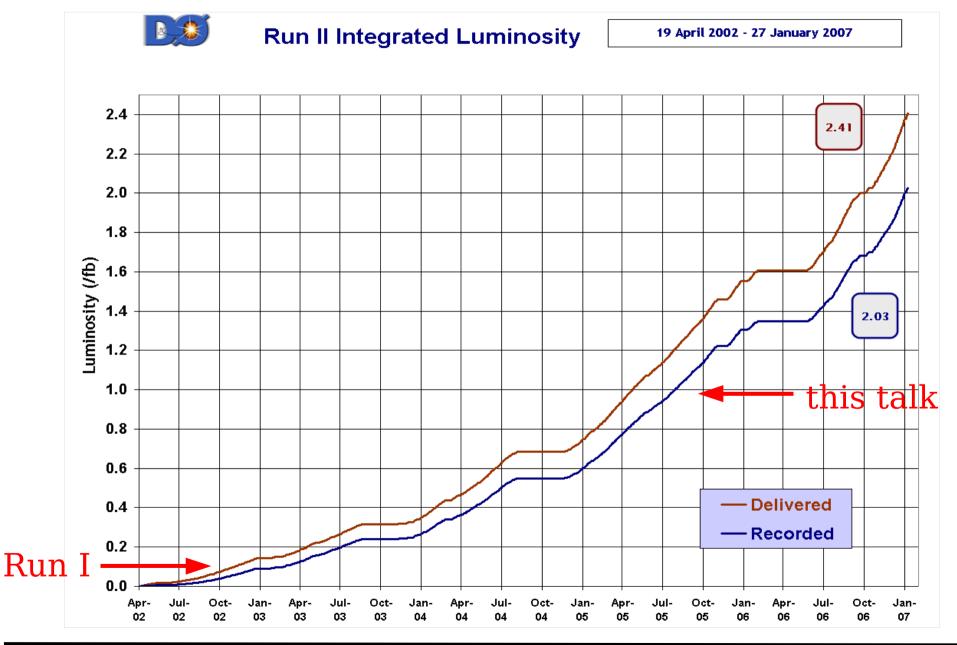
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IP

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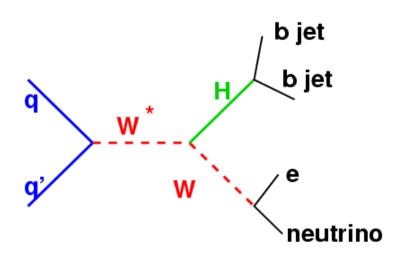






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- 6 events observed
- 9.3 ± 1.8 background predicted
- 0.28 \pm 0.06 signal predicted

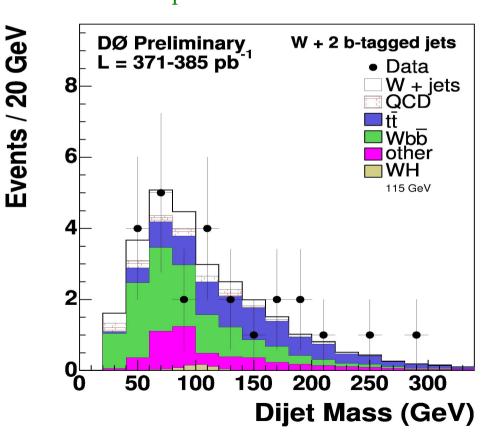
- $\sigma_{_{95}}$ =2.4 pb

- Selection

- two tagged b-jets
- lepton

with $E_{T} > 20 \text{ GeV}$

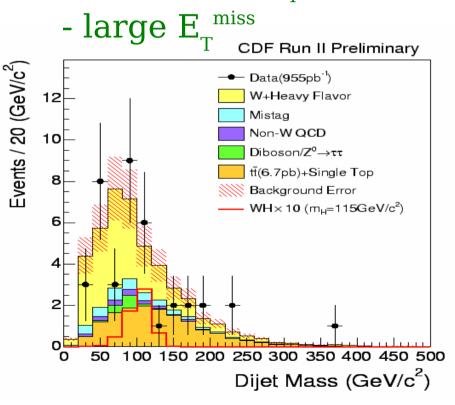
- E_{T}^{miss} > 25 GeV

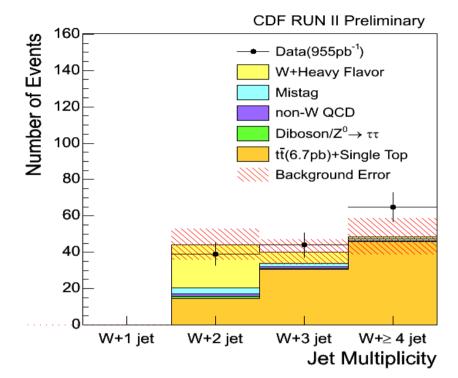




WH→|vbb

- muon and electron channel combined:
 - 1 or 2 NN tagged bjets
 - electron or muon with high $p_{_{\rm T}}$





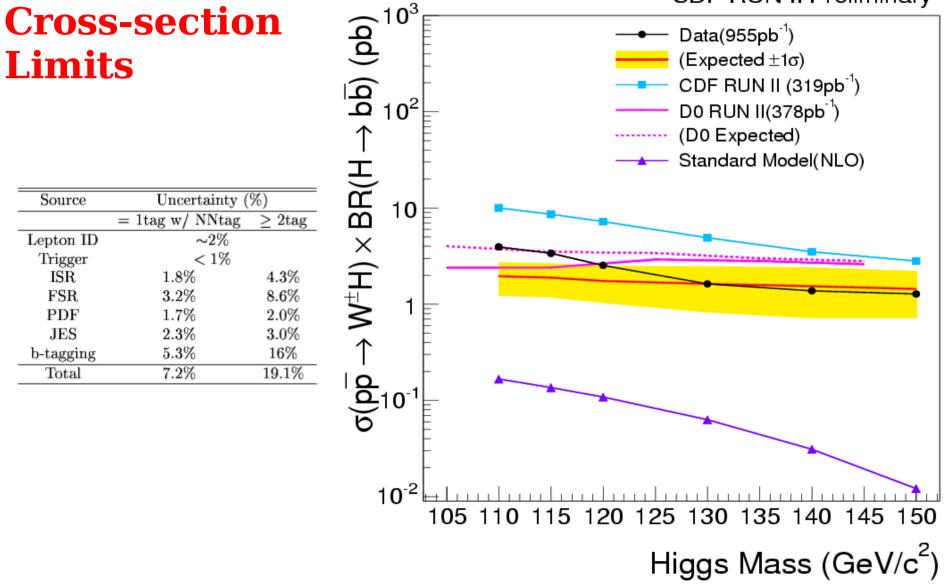
- main backgrounds:

W+heavy flavour jets top pairs di-bosons (WZ, WW etc.)

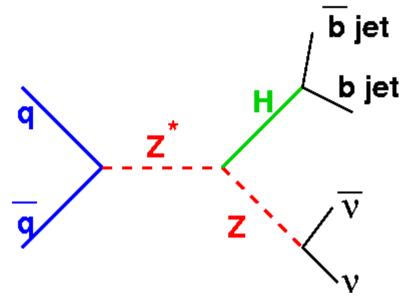




CDF RUN II Preliminary

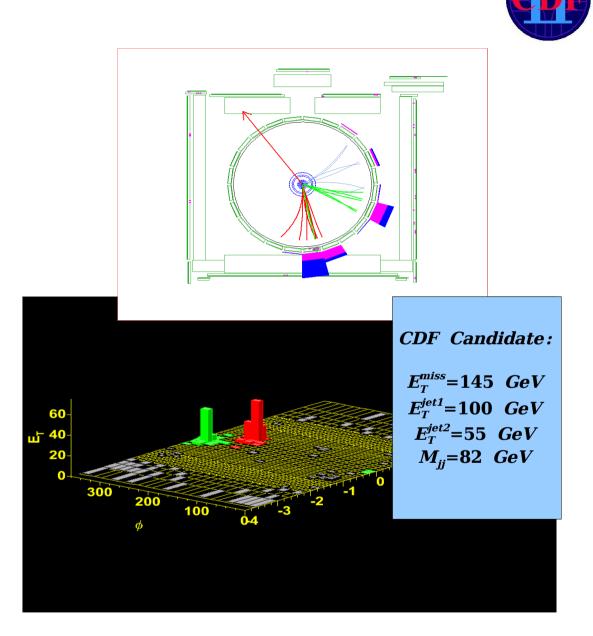


$ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu bb$

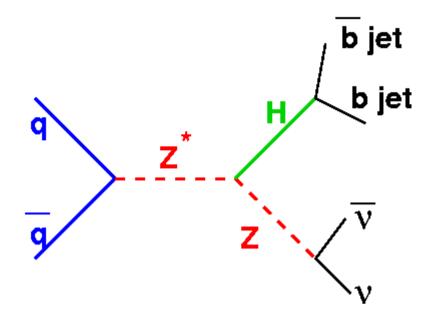


Selection:

- ≥ 1 tagged b-jets
- two jets with $E_{T} > 35/20 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_{T}^{imiss} > 55 \text{ GeV}$

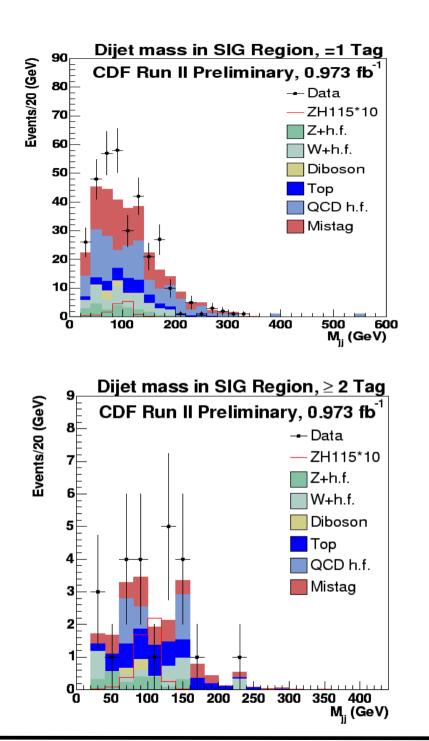






Backgrounds :

- W+heavy flavour jets
- Z +heavy flavour jets
- di-bosons
- misidentified b jets
- top pairs



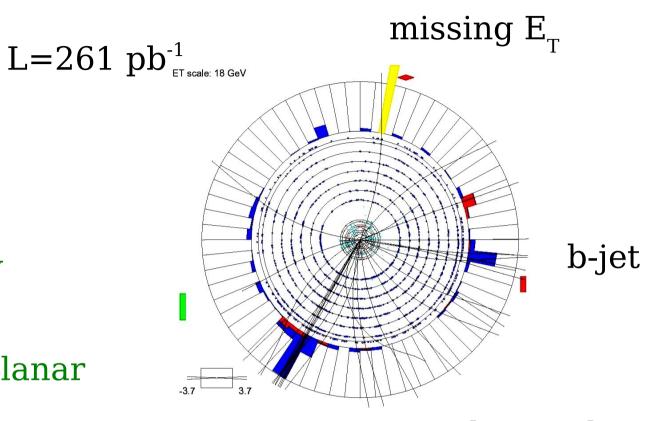
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Selection:

- two or three jets with $E_{T} > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_{T}^{miss} > 50 \text{ GeV}$
- leading jets acoplanar
- Sum of scalar jet E_{T} <240 GeV

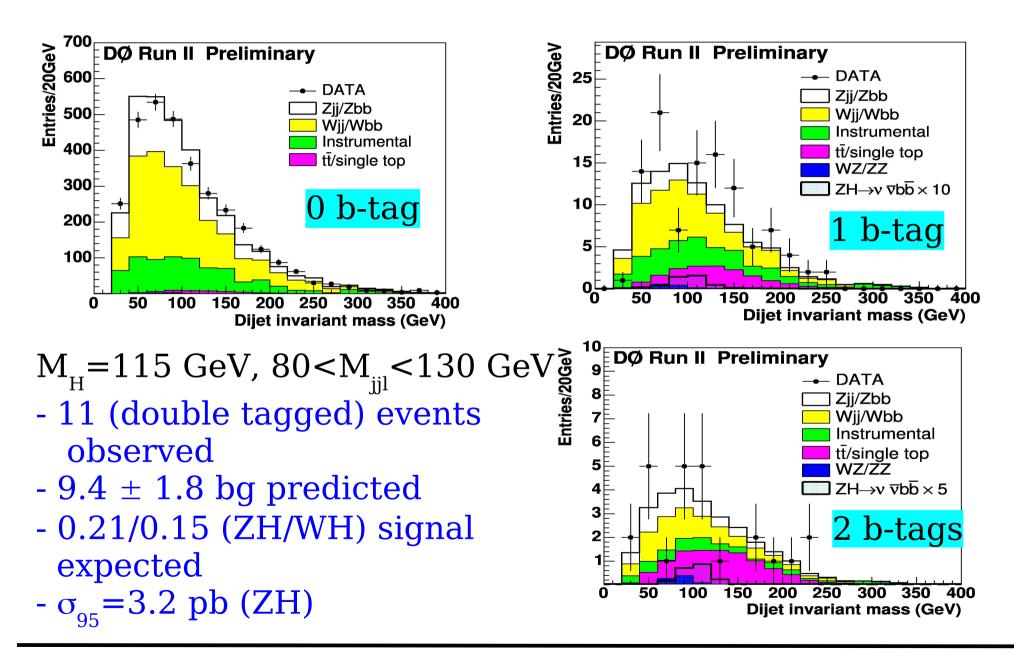


b-jet a

boosted & acoplanar

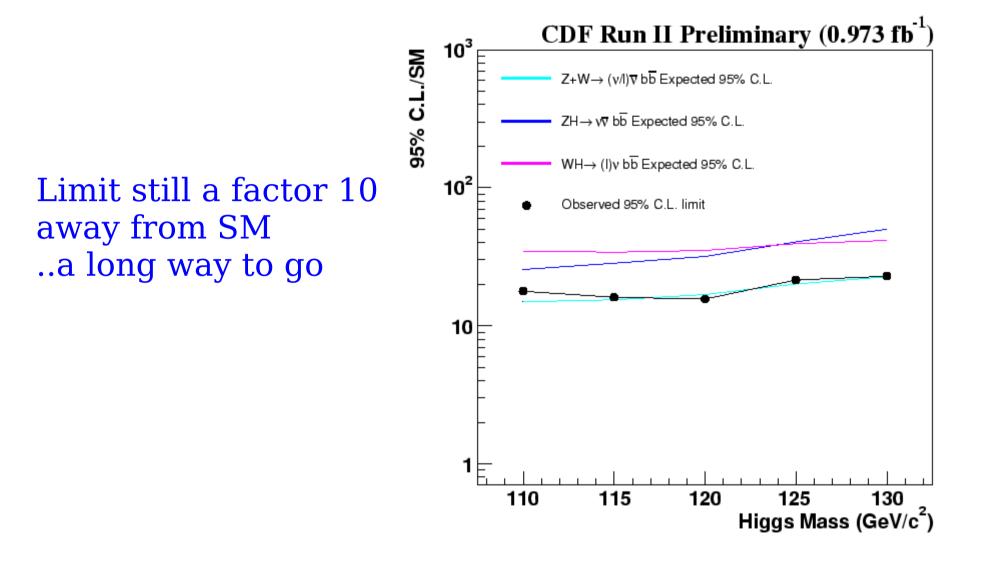
Two (exclusive) samples: (i) two tagged b jets – signal efficiency 0.43% (ii) one tagged b jet – signal efficiency 0.42%

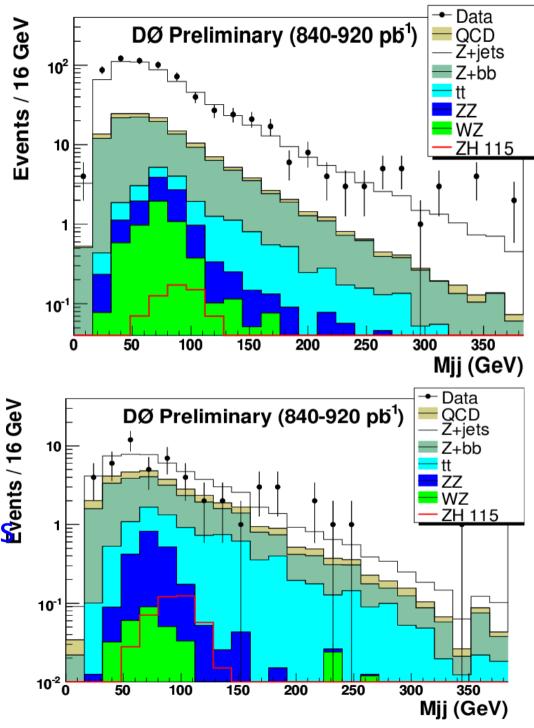


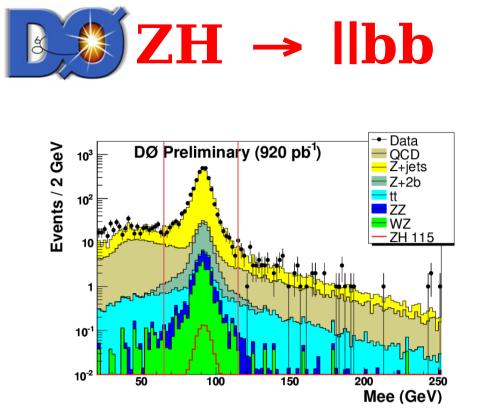


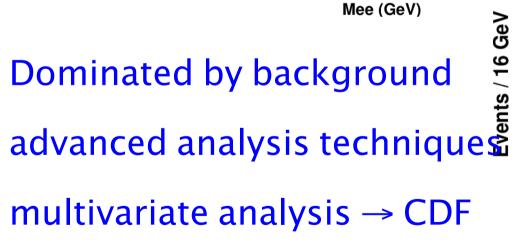






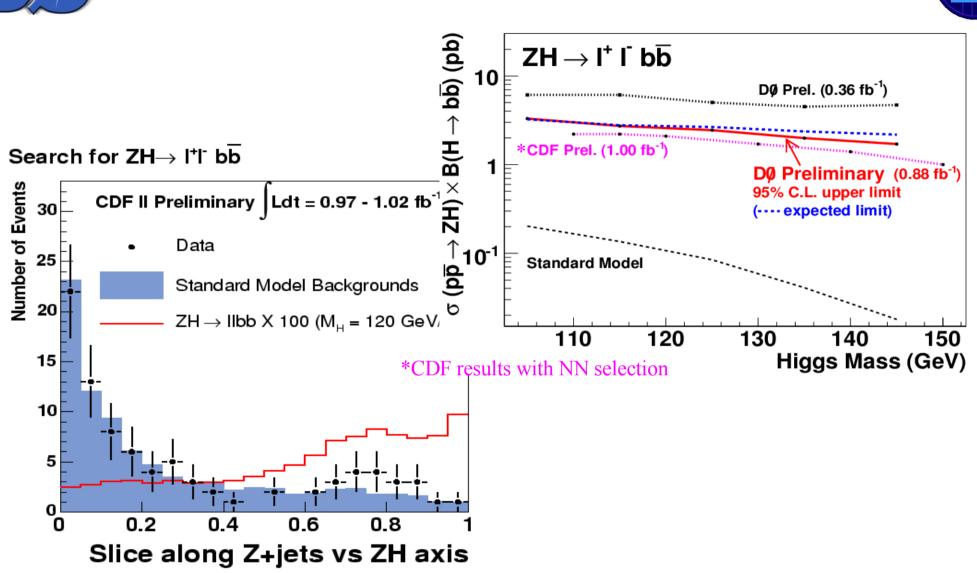


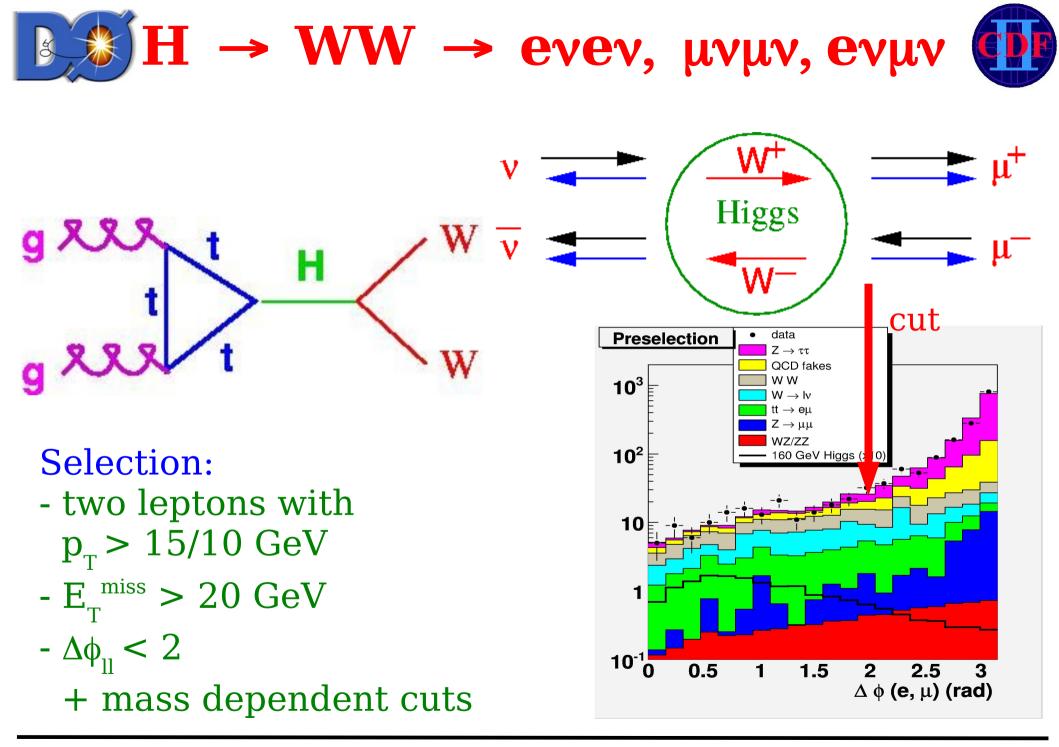


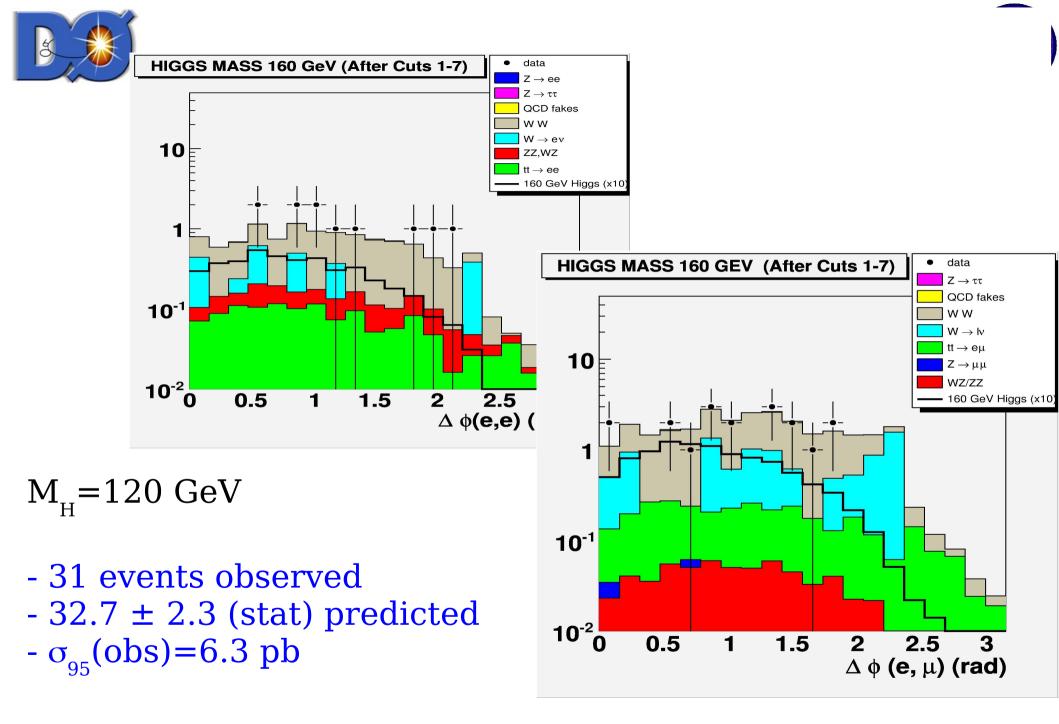


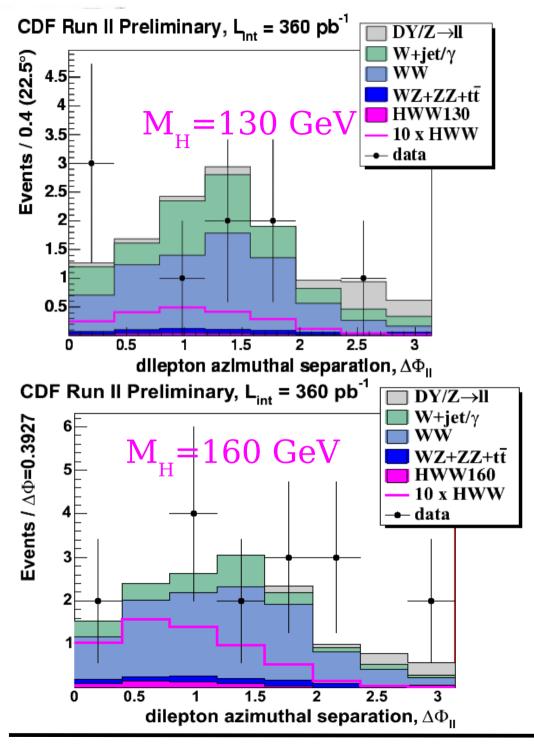














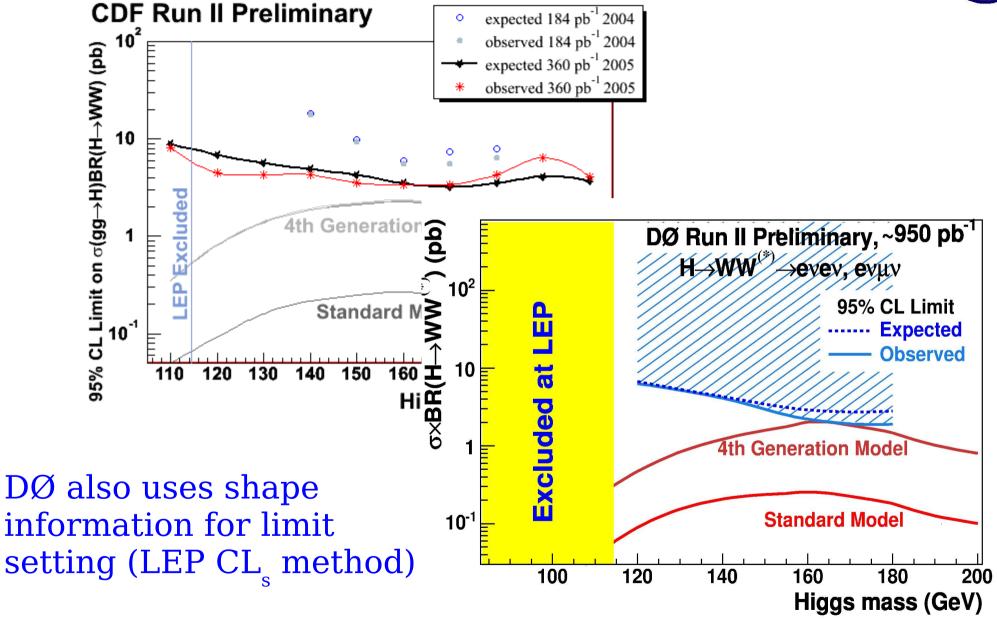
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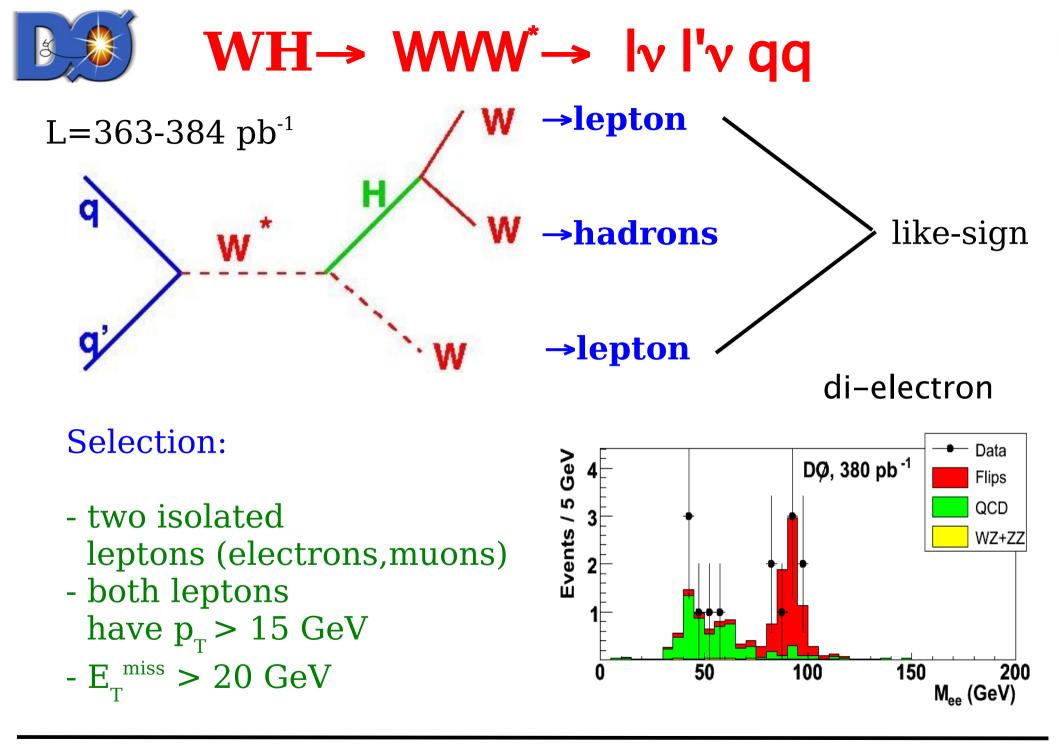
- two leptons with $p_T > 20/10 \text{ GeV}$ - $E_T^{\text{miss}} > M_H/4$ - $16 < M_H < M_H/2-5 \text{ GeV}$

 $\Delta \phi_{II}$ distribution fitted to extract 95% CL limit



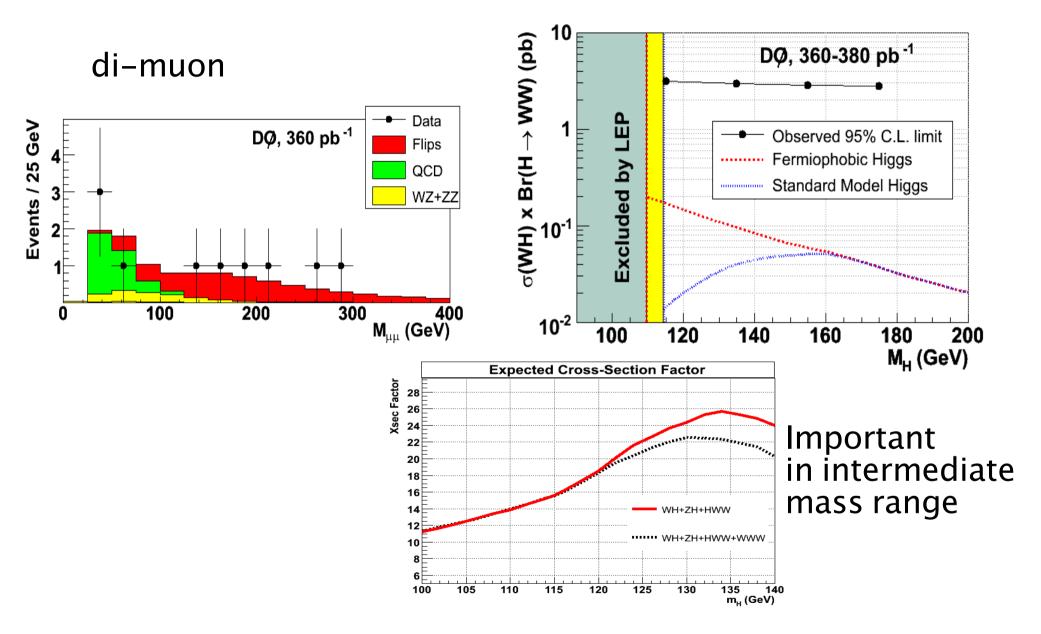








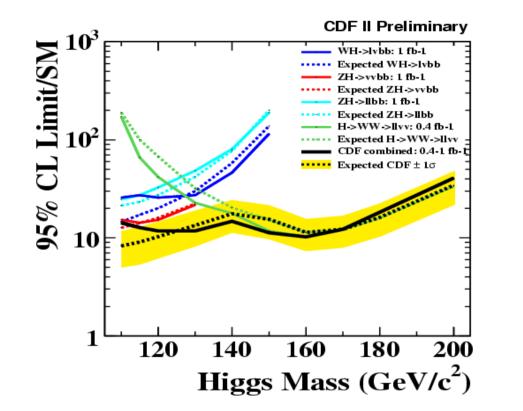
WH → WWW*

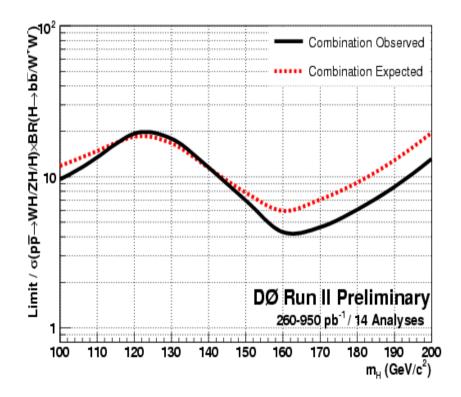


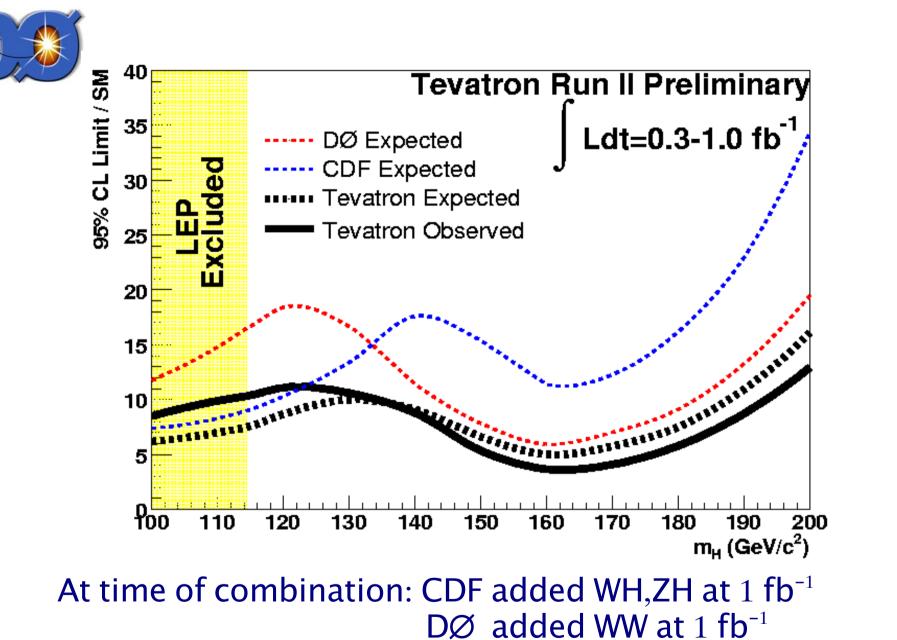


The bottom line...









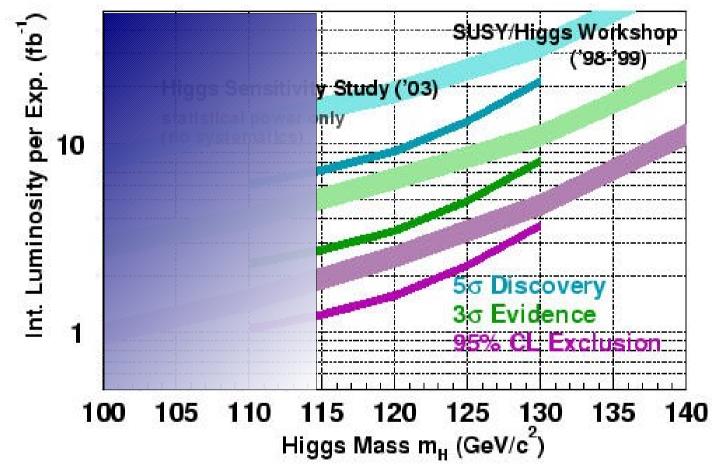
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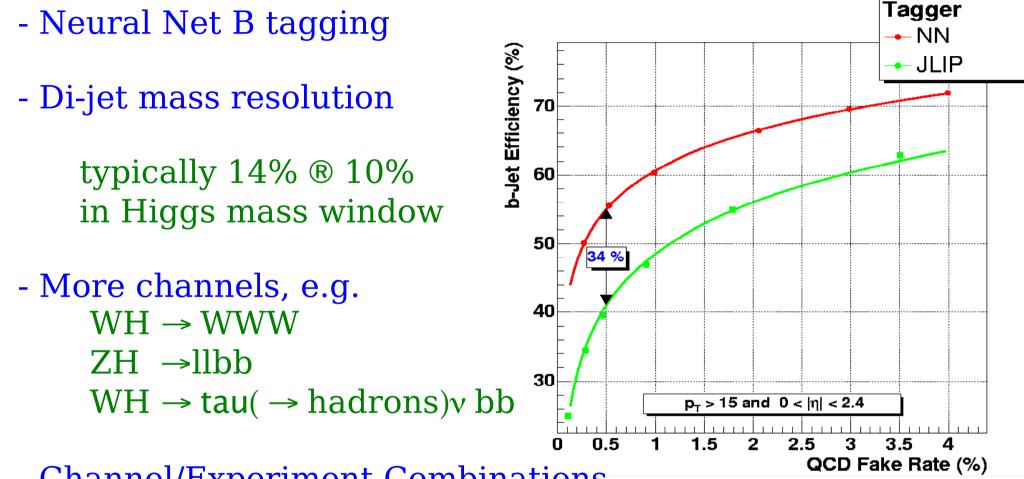
only statistical uncertainties



Current sensitivities are lower



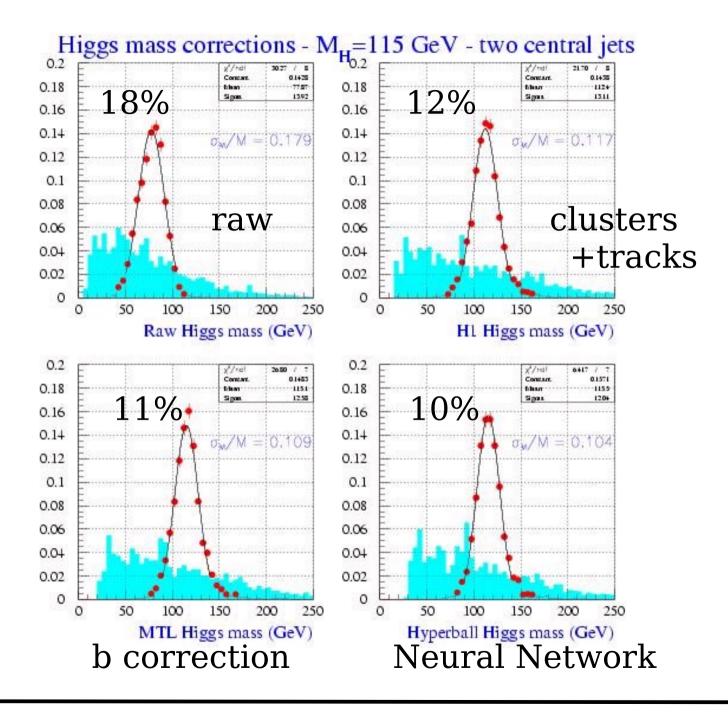




- Channel/Experiment Combinations
- More data, better techniques, reduced systematics



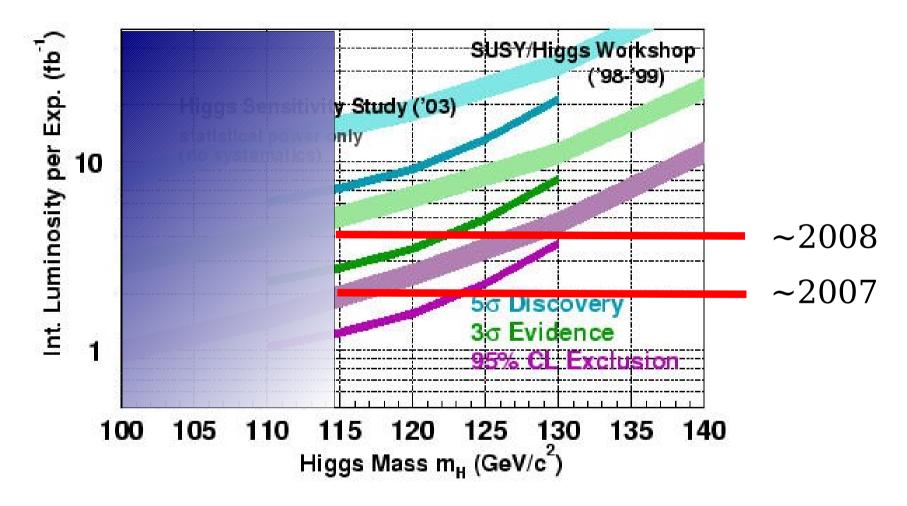








Higgs Sensitivity Study (2003)



Currently very good Tevatron performance





Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM)

Two Higgs doublets lead to five physical Higgs states

h, H

H+-

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2 neutral Higgs Bosons (CP even):1 neutral Higgs Boson (CP odd):2 charged Higgs Bosons:

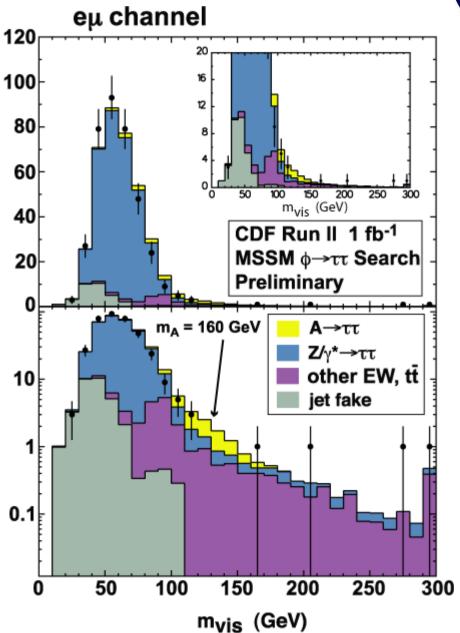
tan β: ratio of Higgs vev's; determines couplings, branching ratios





MSSM Higgs Searches

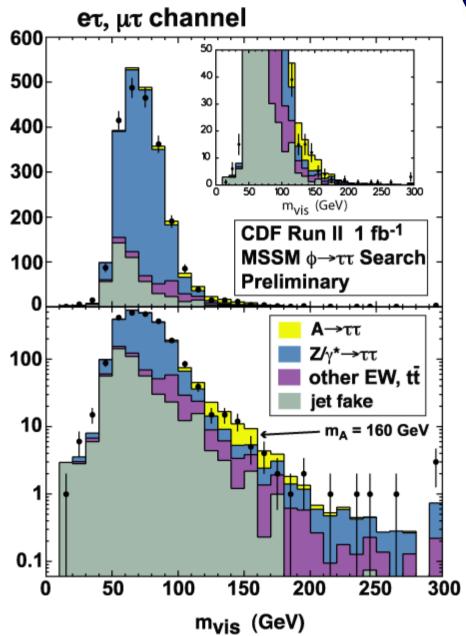
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- masses nearly degenerate
- use tau final states:
- branching Higgs to tau pairs ~ 10 %
- combine $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$ and $H \rightarrow bb$

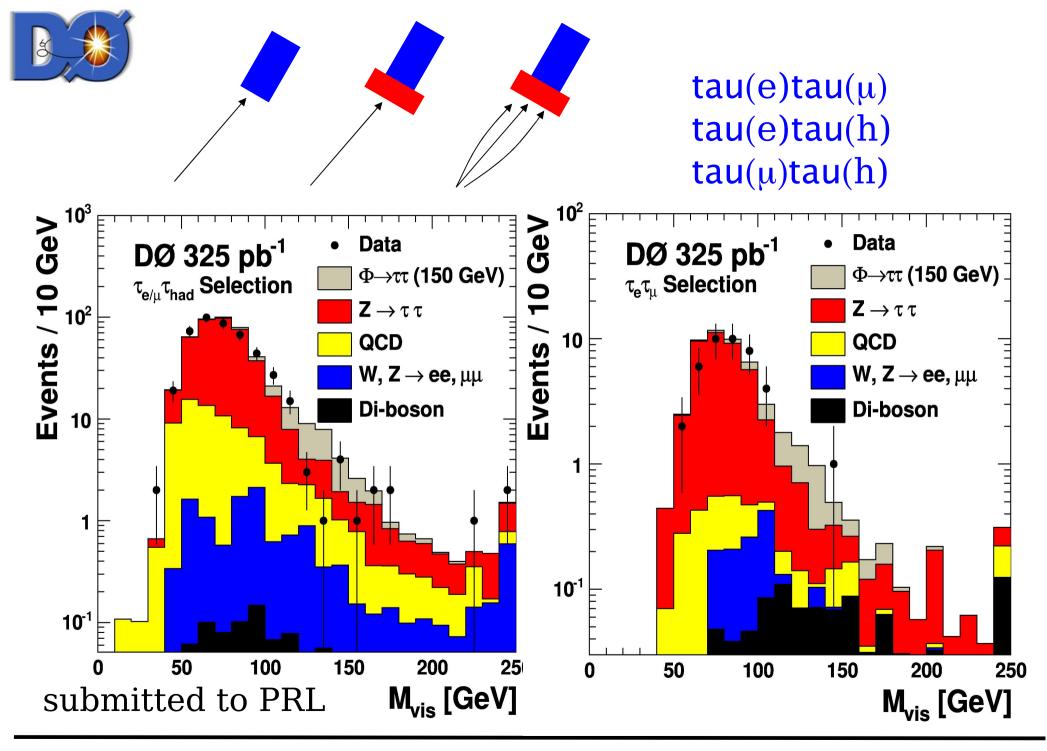




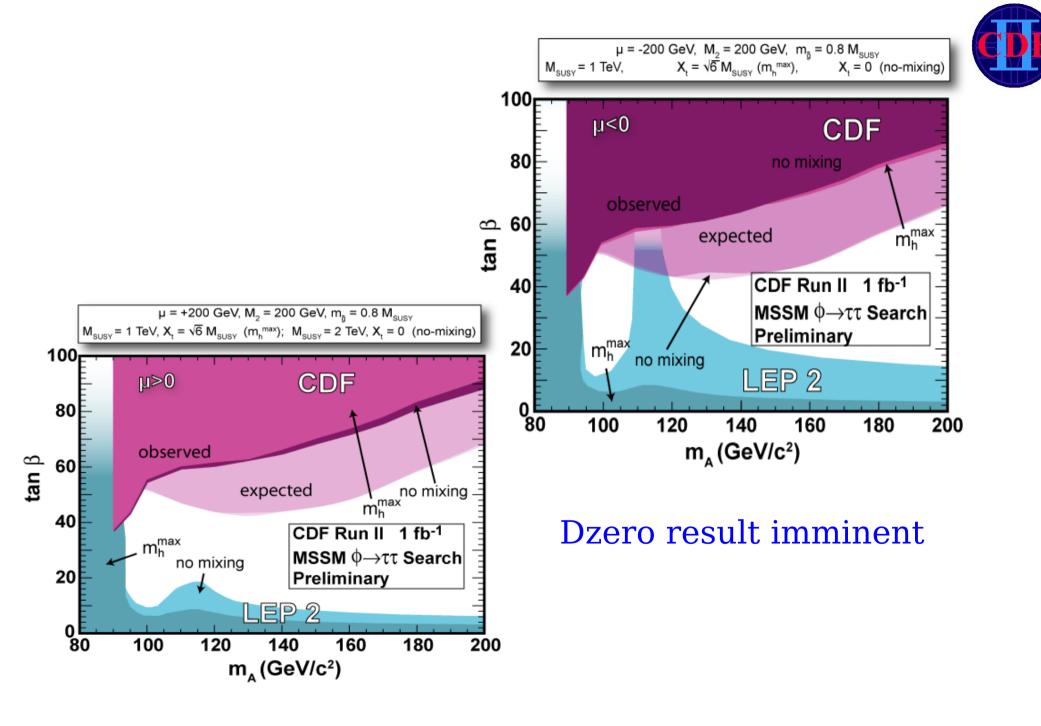
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What can we learn from the Tevatron for the LHC ?

- The Tevatron will have evidence for a low mass Higgs if it exists:
 →now is a good time to join the Tevatron.
- The main challenges are trigger efficiencies, calibrations and QCD backgrounds which need to be mainly taken from the data.
- The LEP limit setting methods are designed for low background, small systematics experiments
 → further studies needed