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# How charming is the Higgs boson?

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- Quark u, d and electrons are the building brick of the ordinary matter
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- Families are grouped in a precise hierarchy or generation

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- Focus on b-quark:**
- 1977 by L. M. Lederman
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> generation quark**
  - $m_b = 4.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
  - “low-transition rate”  $\sim 10^{-12} \text{ s}$
  - product in  $\sim$ all top decays

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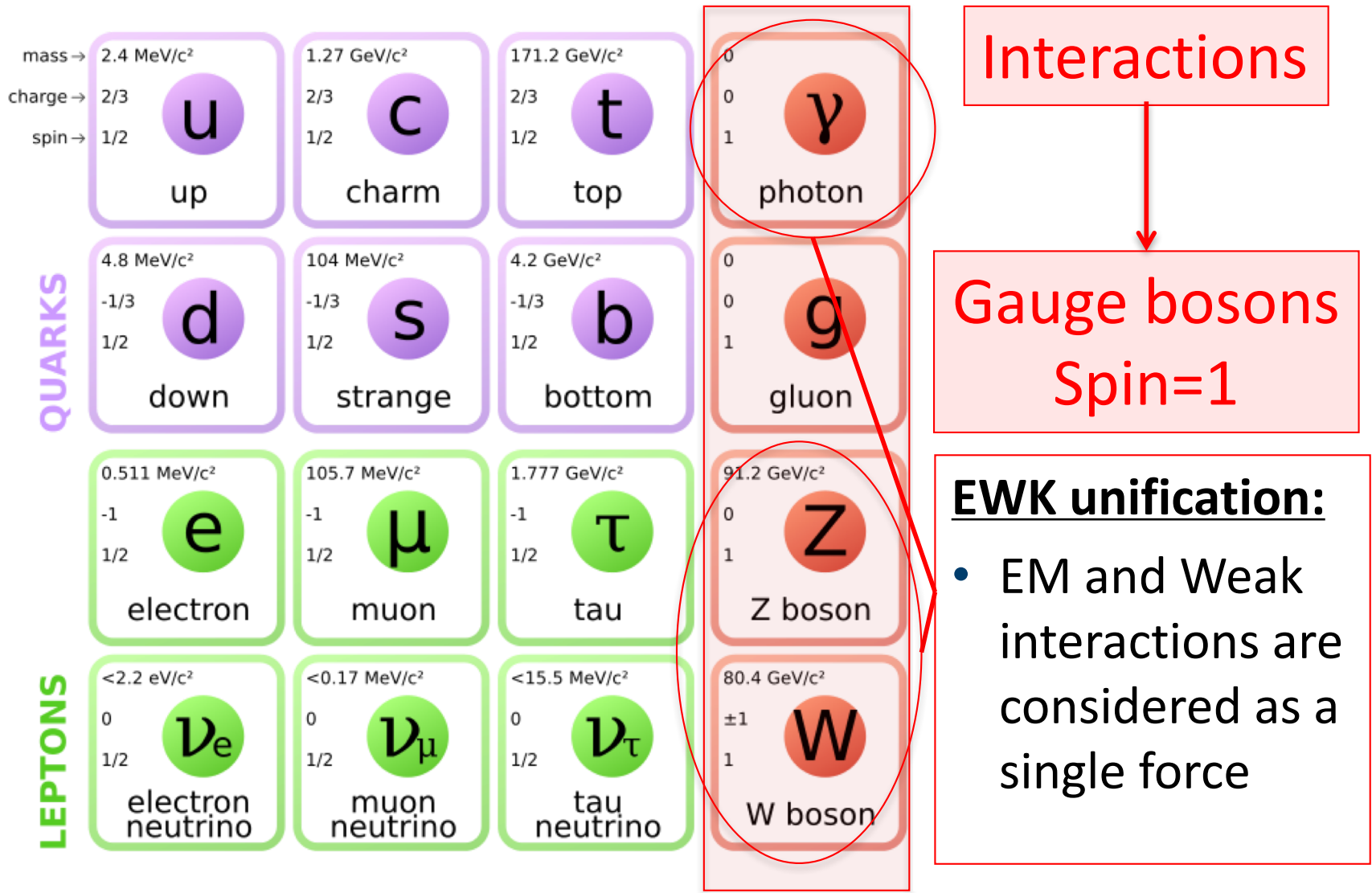
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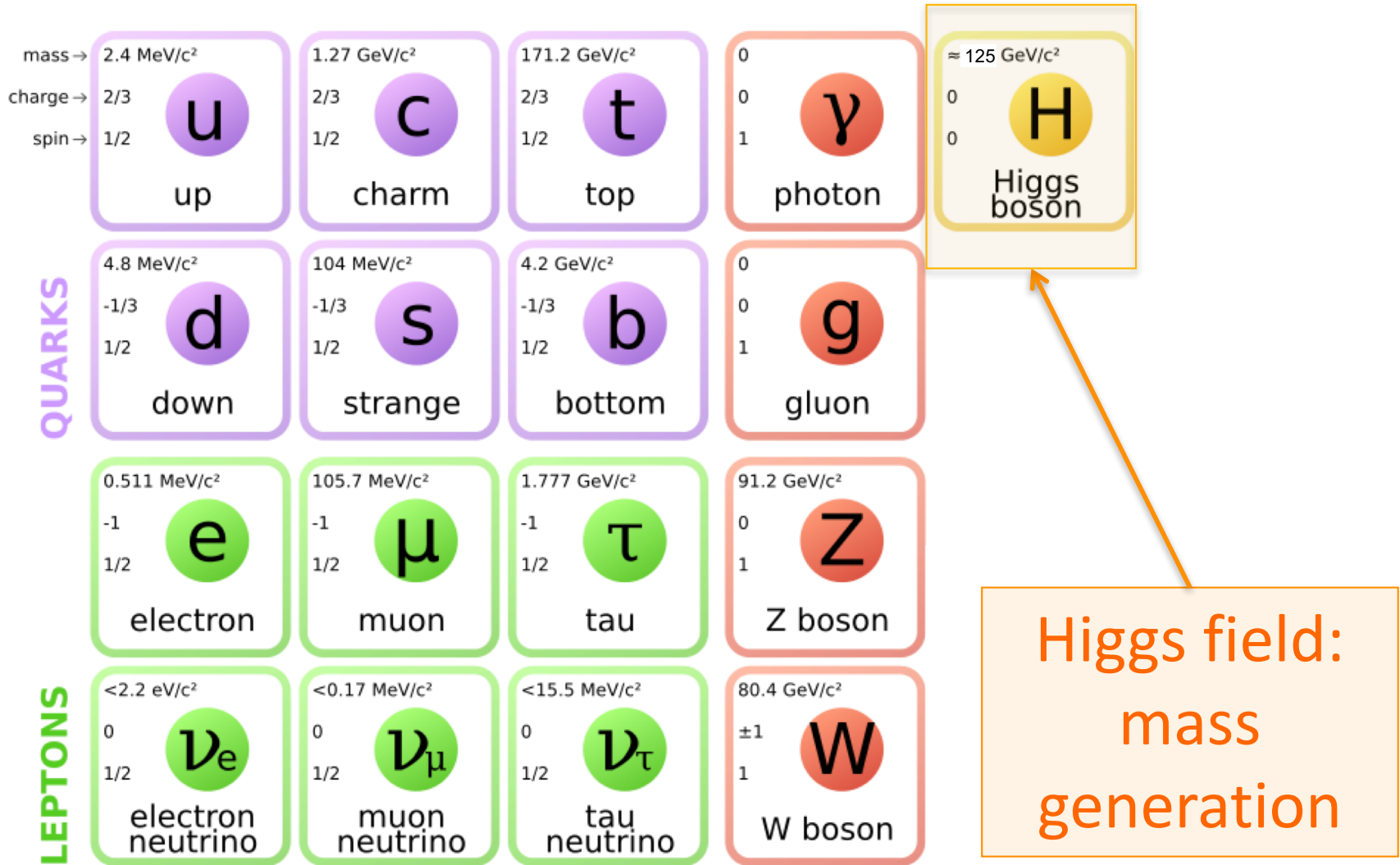
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**Focus on c-quark:**

- 1974 by B. Richter, S. Ting
- 2<sup>nd</sup> generation quark**
- $m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- transition rate  $\sim 10^{-13} \text{ s}$





## ■ The Standard Model of Particle Physics

- The SM is a non-abelian, locally gauge invariant, quantum field theory (QFT) symmetric under local gauge transformation of the group:

$$U(1)_Y \otimes SU(2)_L \otimes SU(3)$$

Standard Model

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + i\bar{\psi} \not{D}\psi + h.c. \\ + \psi_i y_{ij} \psi_j \phi + h.c. + |D_\mu \phi|^2 - V(\phi)$$

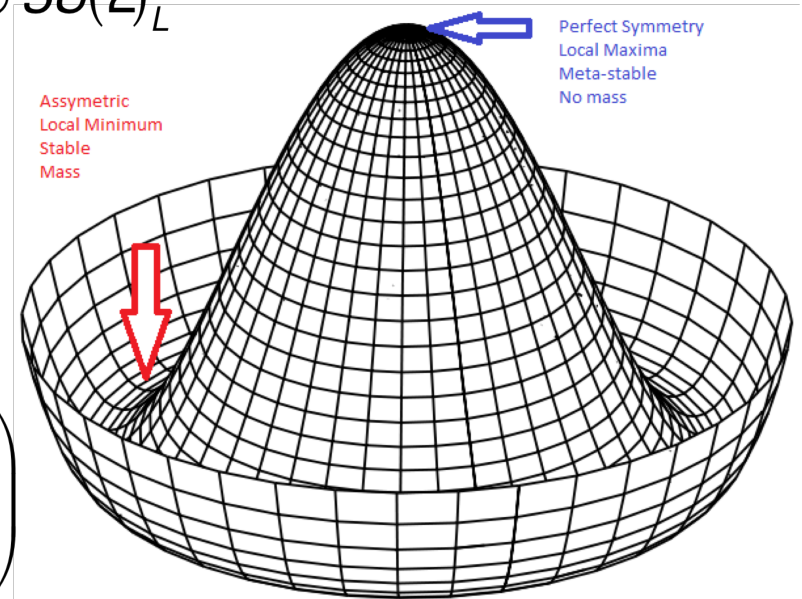


- No explicit mass term in the SM lagrangian

- Adding by "hand" such terms ( $m\Psi\bar{\Psi}$ ) would spoil the renormalizability of the SM
- Particle can gain mass through the electroweak symmetry breaking mechanism

- Introducing the "Higgs potential":  $V(\Phi) = -\mu^2\Phi^\dagger\Phi + \lambda(\Phi^\dagger\Phi)^2$

- Invariant under local transformation  $U(1)_Y \otimes SU(2)_L$
- It must preserve Lorentz invariance
- It breaks  $U(1)_Y \otimes SU(2)_L \rightarrow U(1)_{em}$



small oscillations around the ground state

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi^+ \\ \Phi^0 \end{pmatrix}_L \xrightarrow{\text{Choice of a ground state}} \Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + h(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Phi_0 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{vacuum expectation value} \neq 0$$

■ When the symmetry is spontaneously broken:

- The mass terms for the vector bosons **naturally appear** →
- A **new massive particle** emerges: the Higgs boson →  $m_H = \sqrt{2\lambda}v$
- Fermion mass generation → **Yukawa couplings**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} m_W = \frac{vg}{2} \\ m_Z = \frac{v\sqrt{g'^2 + g^2}}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

$$L_Y = f_l \bar{\chi}_L \phi l_R + f_u \bar{q}_L \tilde{\phi} u_R + f_d \bar{q}_L \phi d_R + \text{h.c.}$$

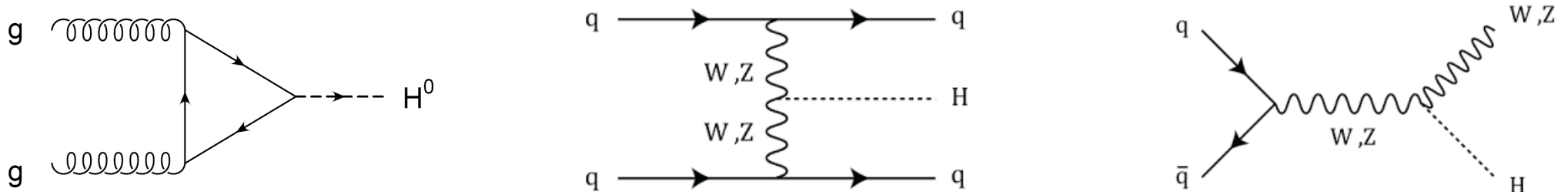
$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + h \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + h \end{pmatrix}$$

$$L_Y = \frac{vf_l}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{l}_L l_R + \bar{l}_R l_L) + \frac{vf_u}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{u}_L u_R + \bar{u}_R u_L) + \frac{vf_d}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{d}_L d_R + \bar{d}_R d_L)$$

$$f_i = \frac{m_i}{v} \sqrt{2}$$

**The Yukawa couplings bring new non-gauge interactions!**  
**Represents something never probed before**

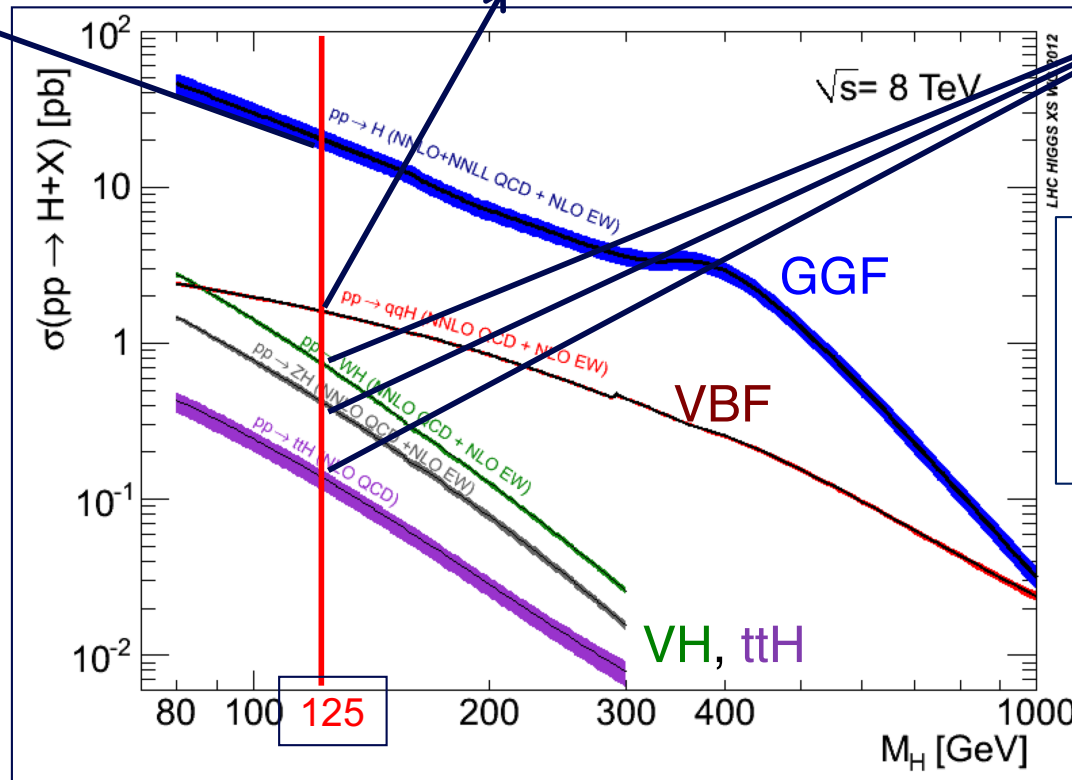
## Main Higgs boson production mechanism at the LHC:



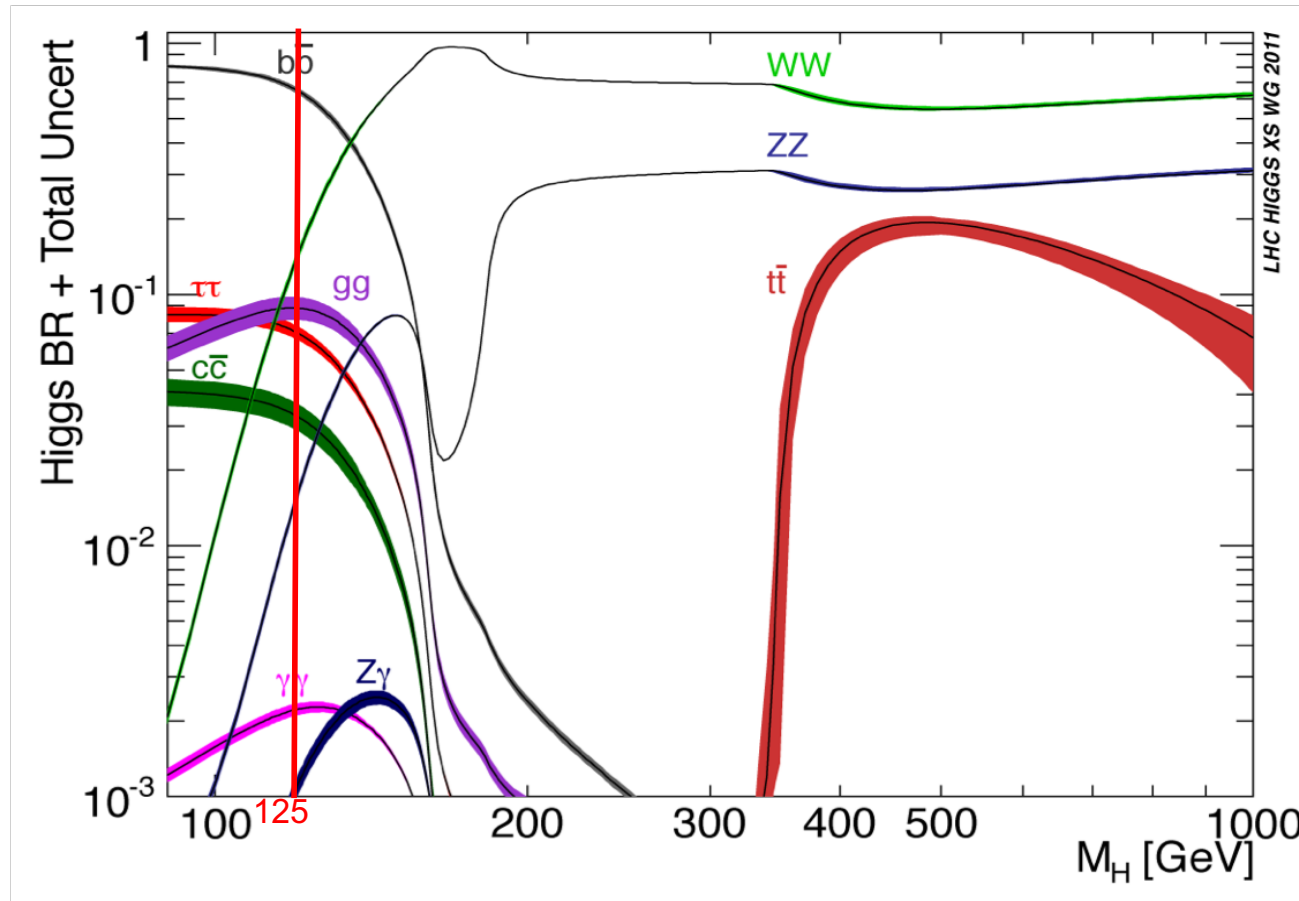
GGF: ~87%

VBF: ~7%

WH: ~3%  
ZH: ~2%  
ttH: ~1%



crucial role in searches for  
VH(H→bb) and  
VH(H→cc) at LHC



- At 125 GeV, the highest branching ratio is into  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  ( $\sim 60\%$ ), followed by the  $WW$  channel ( $\sim 20\%$ ). Then, the other sensitive channels also studied at the LHC are  $\tau\tau$  ( $\sim 6\%$ ),  $ZZ$  and  $\gamma\gamma$
- The most sensitive channels are  $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$

## Analysis in the main H decay channels

- $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$
  - $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
  - $H \rightarrow VV$
  - $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  No evidence in 2012
  - $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  No evidence in 2012
- Discovery in the bosonic decays  $5.1\sigma$

1<sup>st</sup> observation:  
ATLAS+CMS 2015

*At the time of my thesis!*

The CMS full combination in the five main decay modes

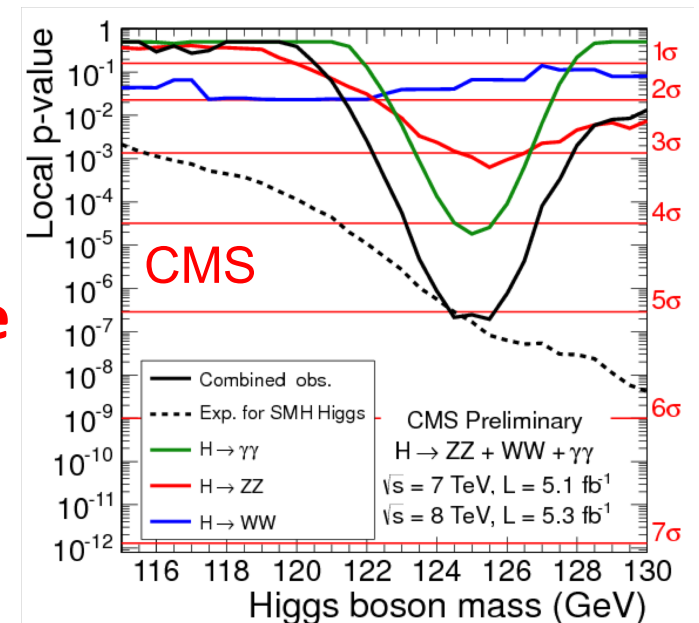
$4.9\sigma$

$m_H = 125.3 \pm 0.6$  GeV

One year later...



**P.Higgs and F. Englert were awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics**



## ■ Higgs discovery in 2012 → characterization

- **Mass:**  $125.09 \pm 0.21$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.11$  (syst.) GeV

ATLAS+CMS: PRL 114 (2015) 191803

- **Spin/Parity:**  $0^+$

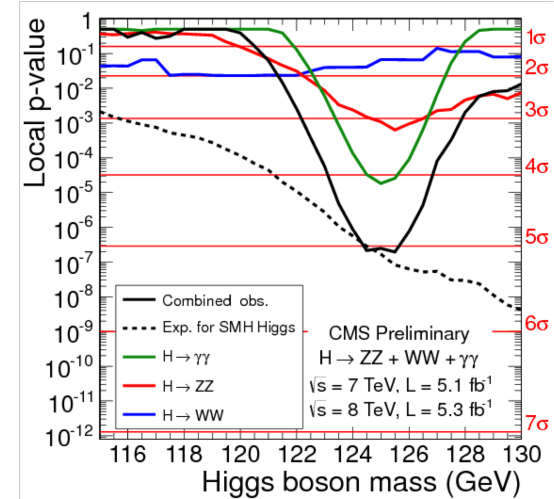
ATLAS: EPJC 75 (2015) 476

CMS: PRD 92 (2015) 012004

- **Width:** on-shell + off-shell searches comb.  $< 3.2$  MeV

CMS: JHEP 11 (2017) 047

ATLAS: arXiv:1808.01191 submitted to PLB



## ■ Observed direct coupling to:

- **Vector bosons**

ATLAS: PLB 716 (2012) 1-29

CMS: PLB 716 (2012) 30

- **$\tau$  leptons**

ATLAS: ATLAS-CONF-2018-021

CMS: PLB 779 (2018) 283

- **top quarks**

ATLAS: PLB 784 (2018) 173

CMS: PRL 120 (2018) 231801

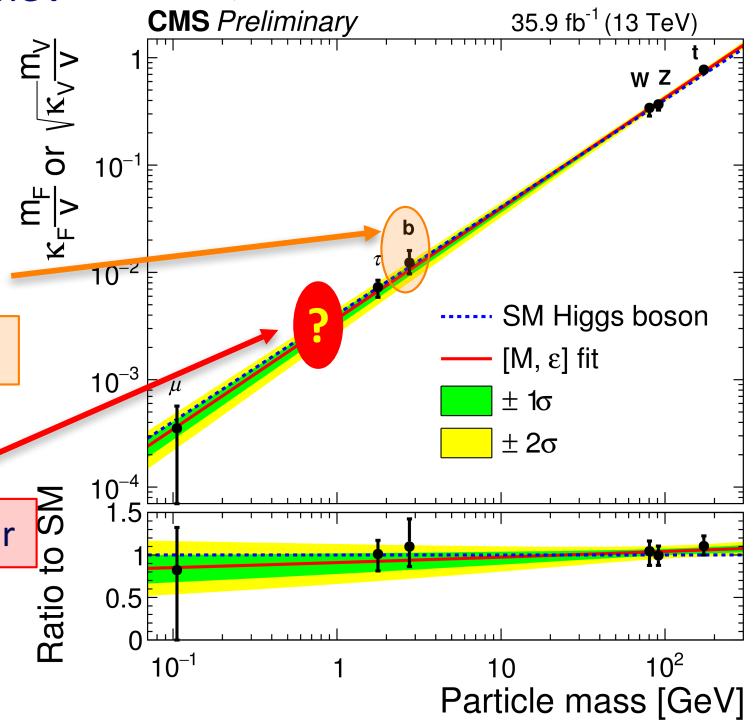
- **bottom quarks**

PhysRevLett. 121.121801

- **charm quarks**

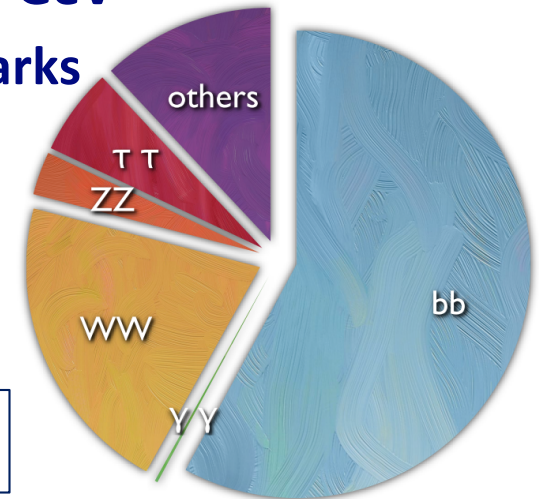
No direct search in CMS so far

Today's talk!



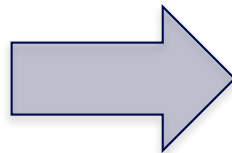
**So far, all measurements compatible with SM predictions!**

- H → bb has the largest branching fraction (58%) for  $m_H = 125$  GeV
- Unique final state to measure coupling with down-type quarks
- Drives the uncertainty on the total Higgs boson width
- Limits the sensitivity to BSM contributions
- Not observed until this Summer

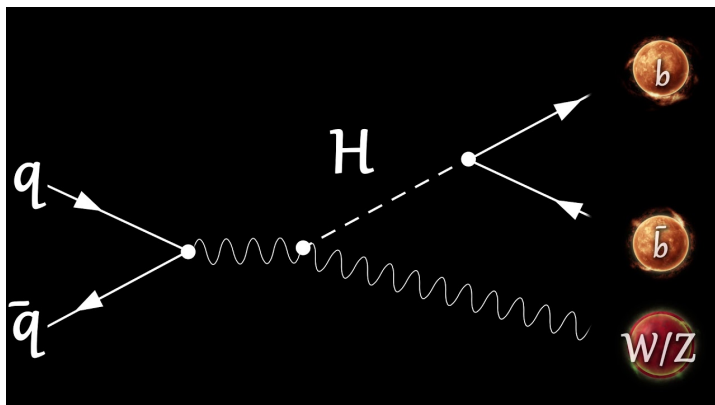


Many feature similar to searches for H → cc!

- High BR
- Low mass resolution
- Low S/B



- Highly efficient b-jets identification
- Improved resolution on  $m(bb)$
- Full event information to increase S/B



## Higgs-Strahlung (Associated production)

- 4% of Higgs production mechanism
- Benefit from leptons triggers
- Further reduce background requiring high  $V-p_T$

➔ Provides the most sensitive channel

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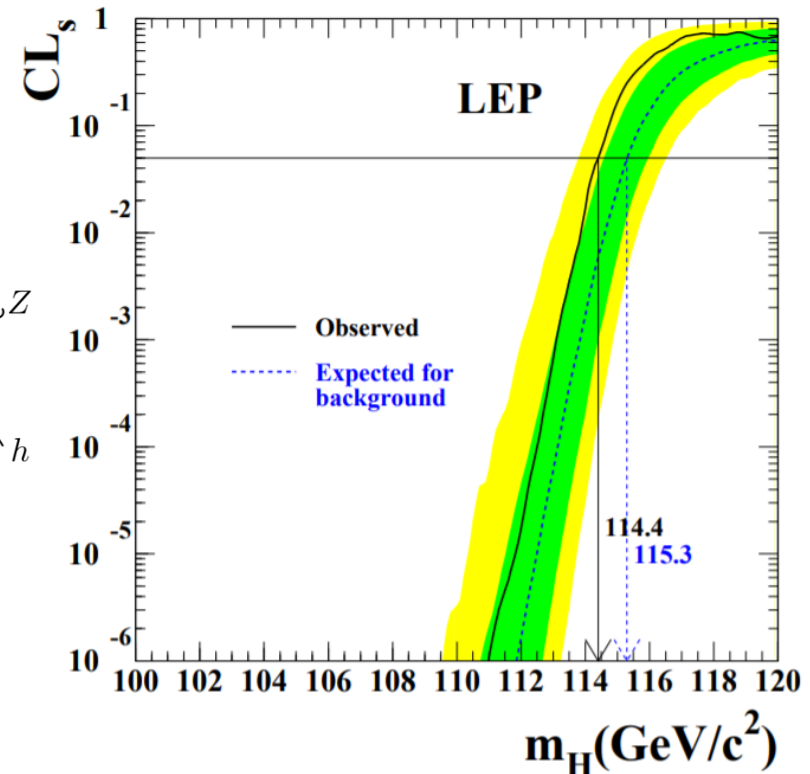
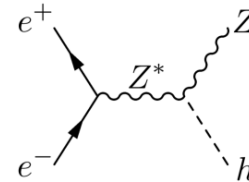
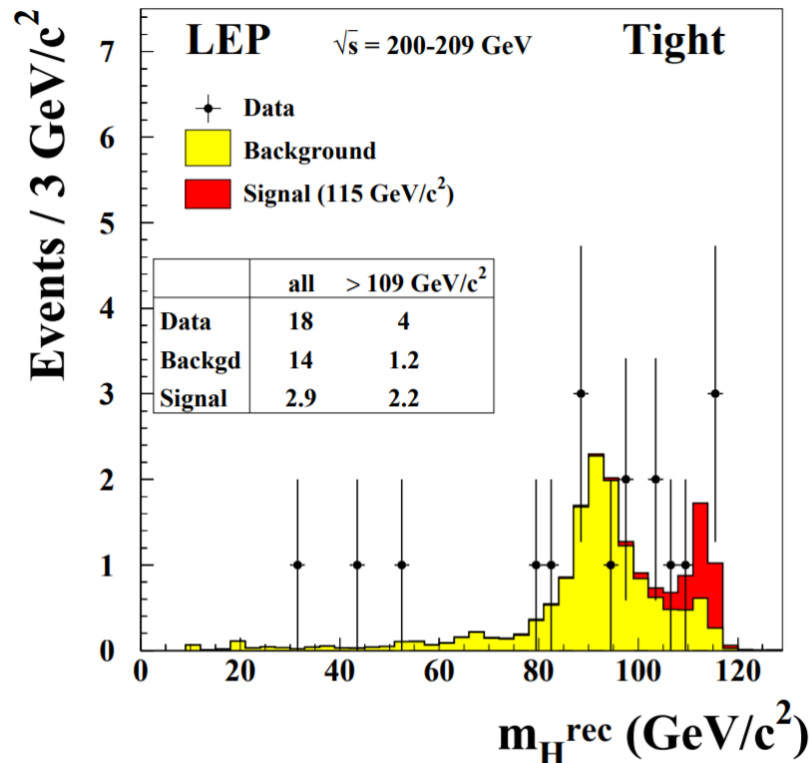
## Search for the Standard Model Higgs boson at LEP

ALEPH Collaboration<sup>1</sup> DELPHI Collaboration<sup>2</sup> L3 Collaboration<sup>3</sup> OPAL Collaboration<sup>4</sup>

The LEP Working Group for Higgs Boson Searches<sup>5</sup>

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$m_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV} @ 95\%CL$



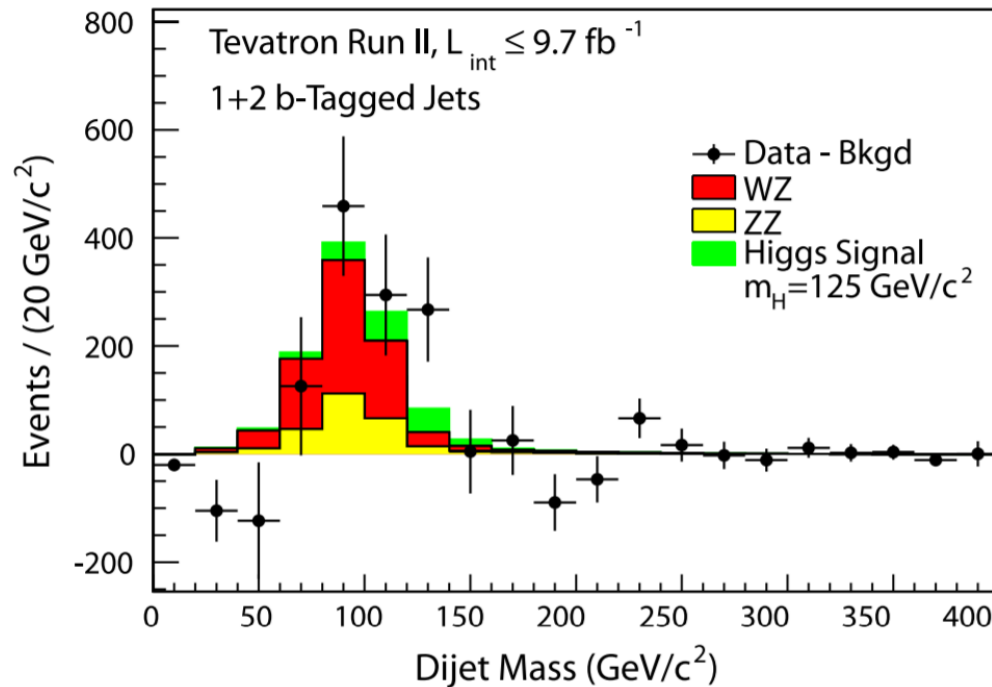
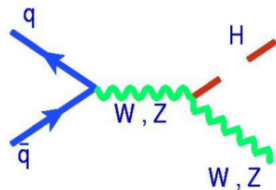




## Evidence for a Particle Produced in Association with Weak Bosons and Decaying to a Bottom-Antibottom Quark Pair in Higgs Boson Searches at the Tevatron

(\*CDF Collaboration)

(†D0 Collaboration)

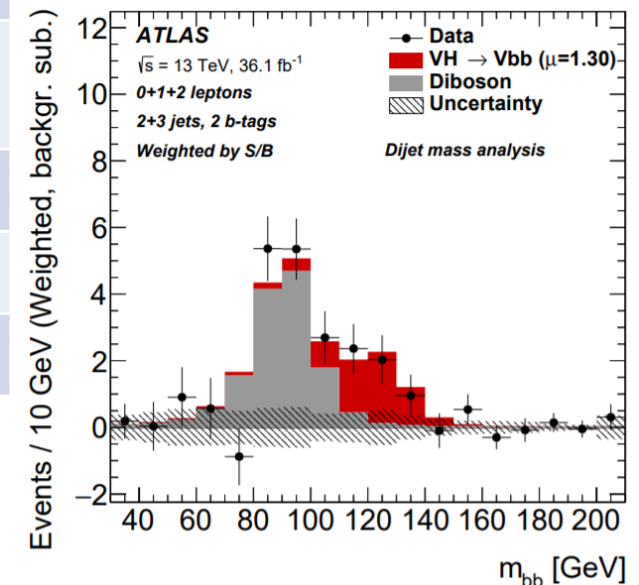
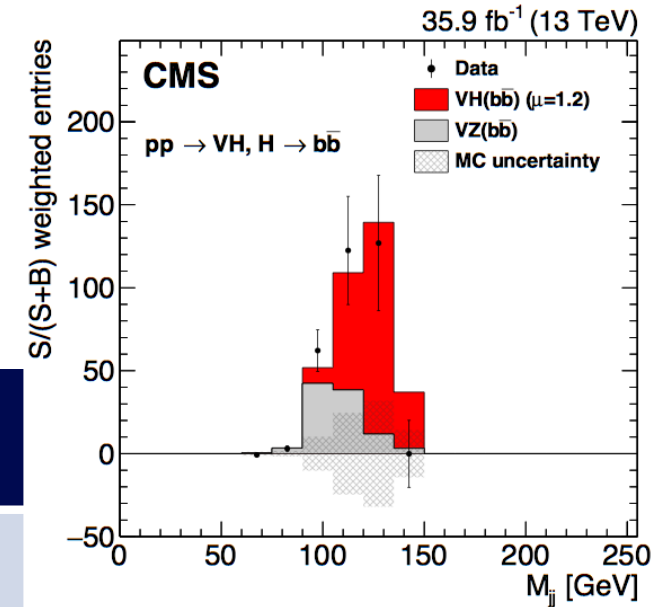


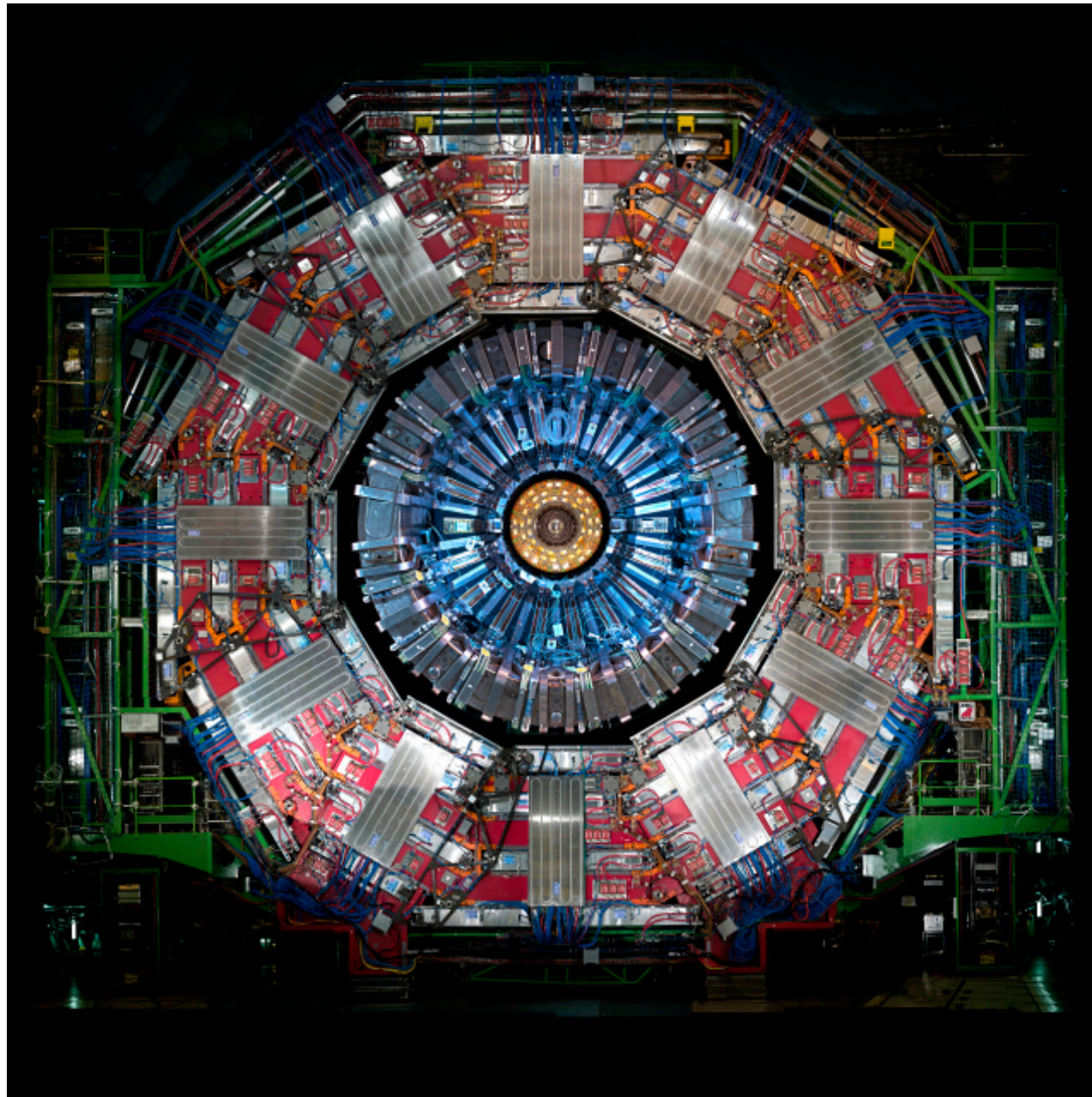
Significance  
**2.8 $\sigma$  observed @ 125 GeV**

- **VH(bb) evidence at LHC established with 2016 data by both ATLAS and CMS**
  - Detectors demonstrated ability to deal with very high PU
  - For 2016 analyses used  $\sim 40\text{fb}^{-1}$
  
- **Signal strength uncertainty  $\sim 40\%$**

	$\mu$	Significance (exp.)	Significance (obs.)
<b>ATLAS Run 1 [1]</b>	$0.52^{+0.40}_{-0.37}$	$2.6\sigma$	$1.4\sigma$
<b>CMS Run 1 [2]</b>	$0.89^{+0.47}_{-0.44}$	$2.5\sigma$	$2.1\sigma$
<b>ATLAS+CMS Run 1 [3]</b>	$0.79^{+0.29}_{-0.27}$	$3.7\sigma$	$2.6\sigma$
<b>ATLAS 2015+2016 [4]</b>	$1.20^{+0.42}_{-0.36}$	$3.0\sigma$	$3.5\sigma$
<b>CMS 2016 [5]</b>	$1.19^{+0.40}_{-0.38}$	$2.8\sigma$	$3.3\sigma$

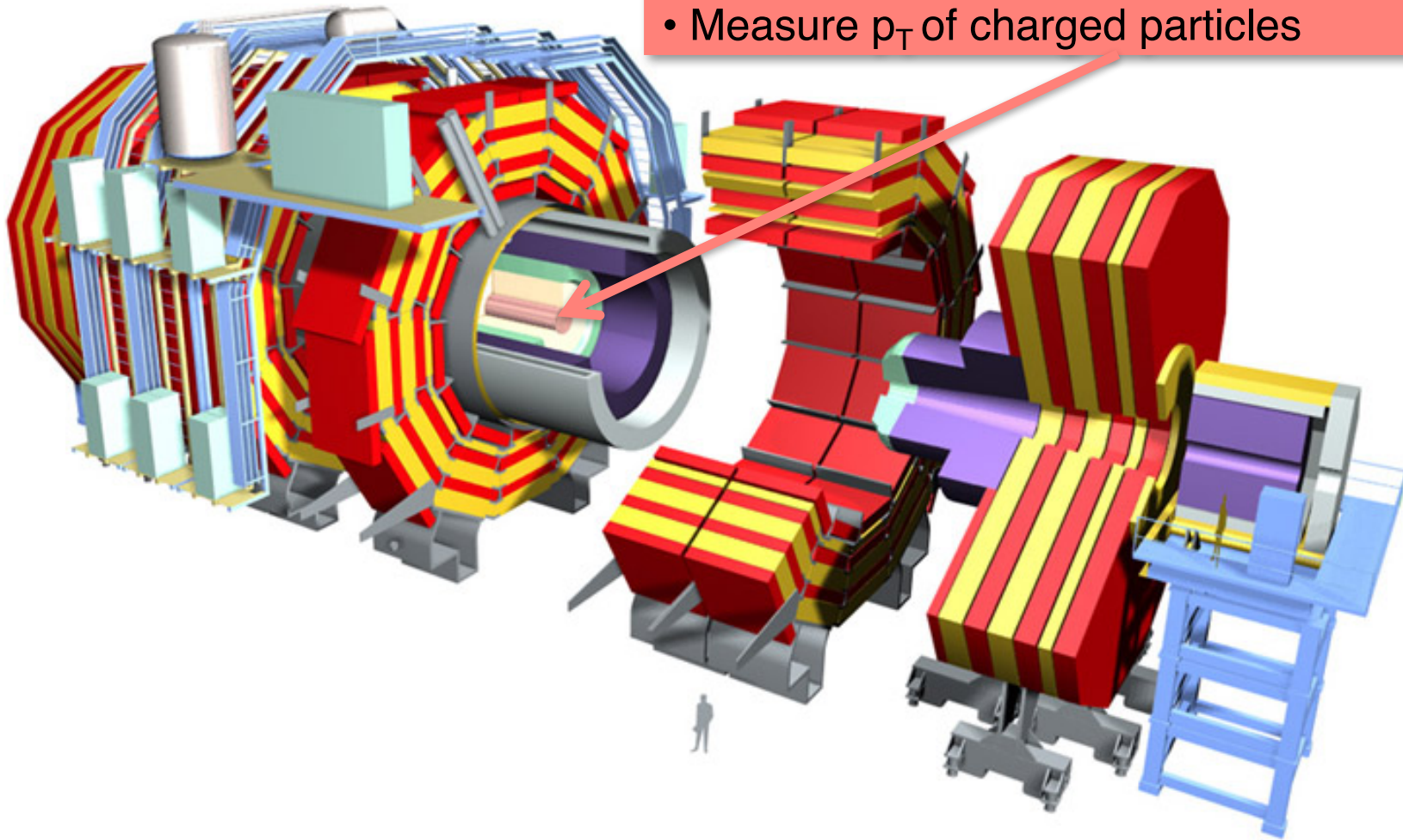
[1] JHEP 01 (2015) 069  
 [2] JHEP 08 (2016) 045  
 [3] JHEP 08 (2016) 045  
 [4] JHEP 12 (2017) 024  
 [5] PLB 780 (2018) 501





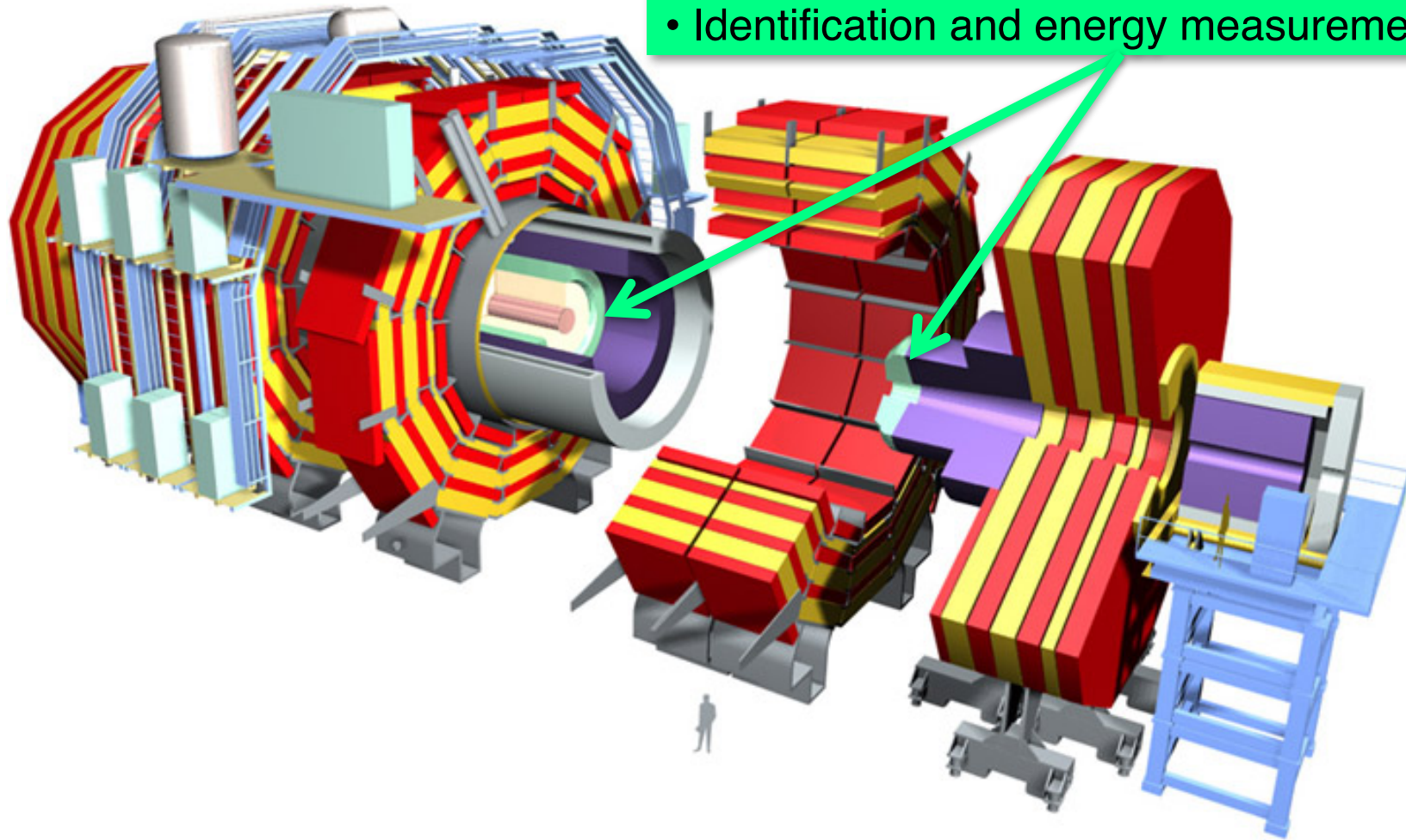
**Tracker:**

- Length = 6m, diameter = 2.4 m
- Silicon detectors ( $100\mu\text{m} \times 150\mu\text{m} \times 250\mu\text{m}$ )
- Measure  $p_T$  of charged particles



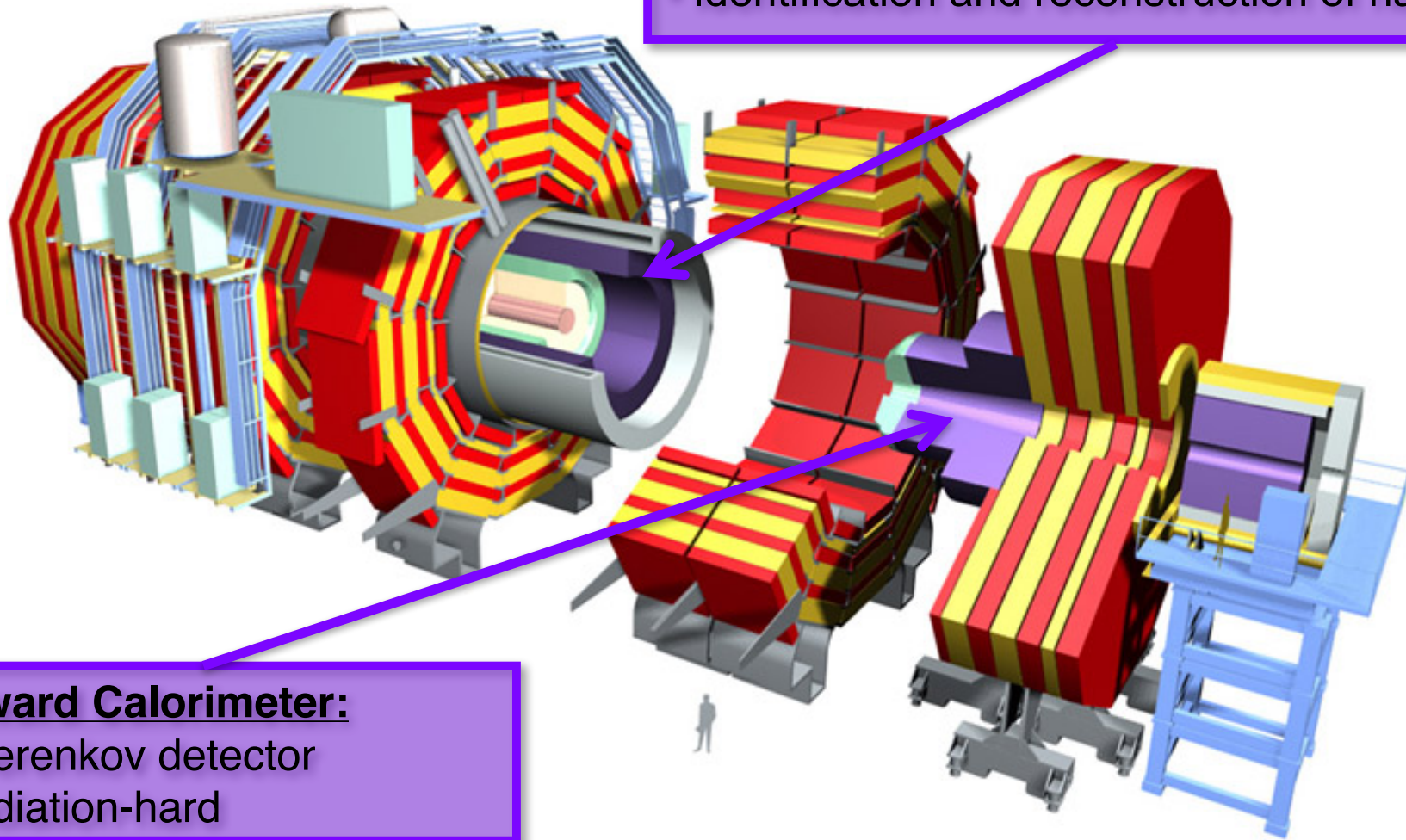
**Electromagnetic Calorimeter:**

- $\text{PbWO}_4$  scintillator
- $X_0=0.89\text{cm}$ ,  $R_M=21.9\text{mm}$
- Identification and energy measurement of  $e/\gamma$

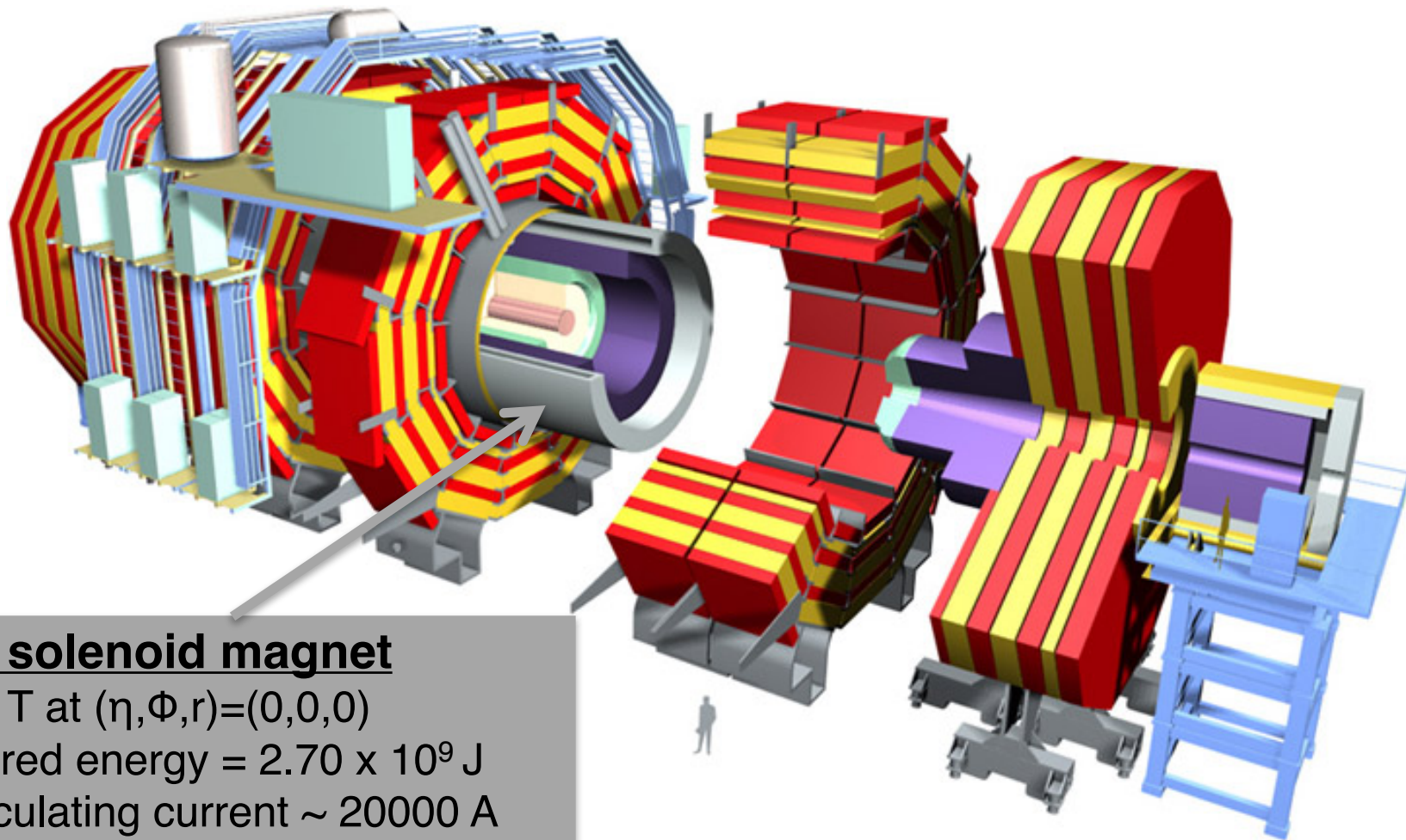


**Hadron Calorimeter:**

- Brass-scintillator sampling calorimeter
- Identification and reconstruction of hadrons

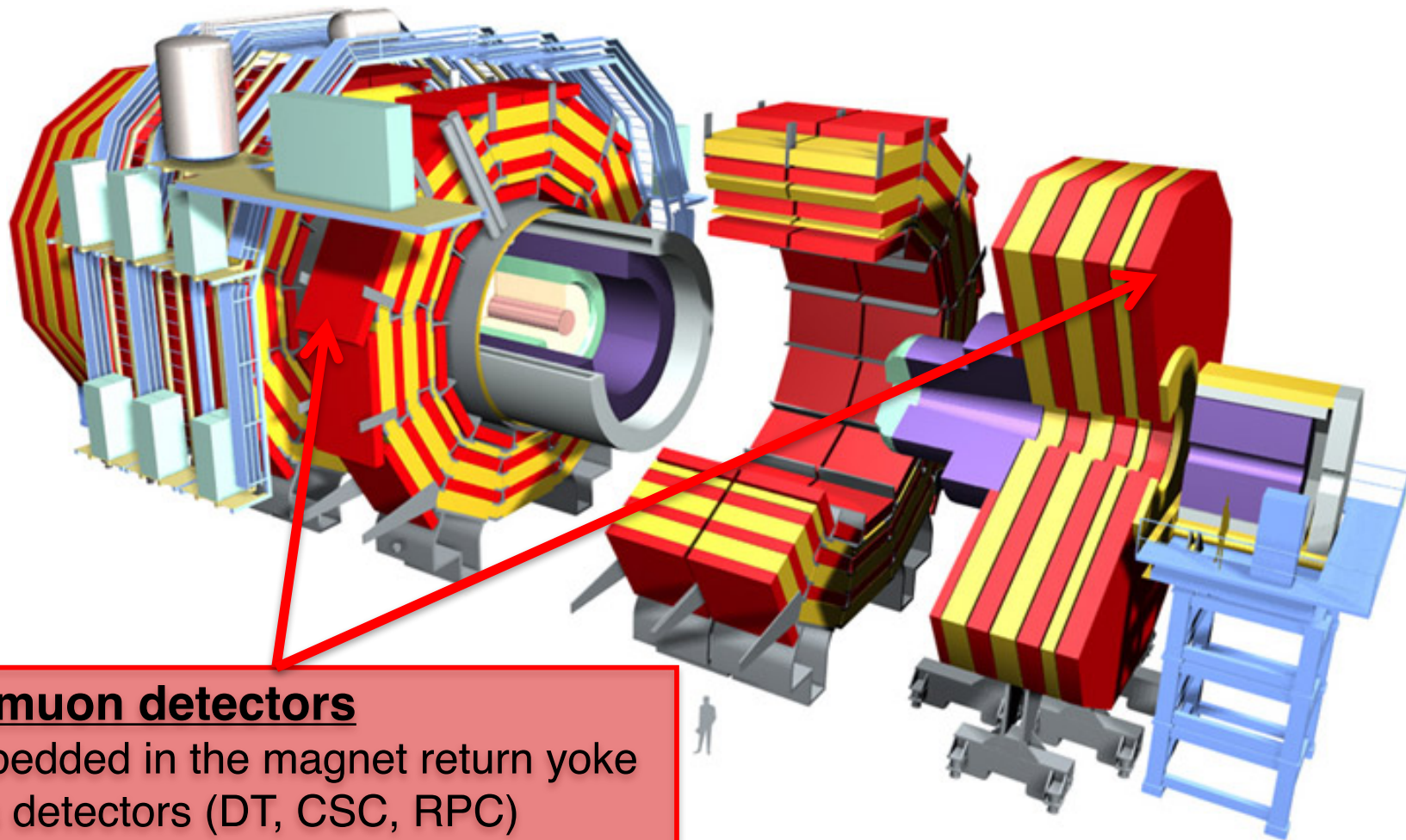
**Forward Calorimeter:**

- Cherenkov detector
- Radiation-hard



### The solenoid magnet

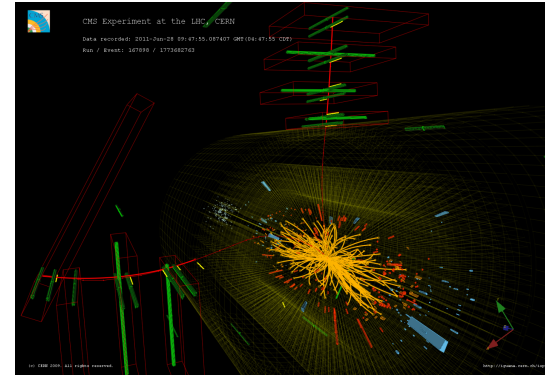
- 3.8 T at  $(\eta, \Phi, r) = (0, 0, 0)$
- Stored energy =  $2.70 \times 10^9$  J
- Circulating current  $\sim 20000$  A
- bend charged particle trajectory



### **The muon detectors**

- Embedded in the magnet return yoke
- Gas detectors (DT, CSC, RPC)
- Muon detection and  $p_T$  measurement



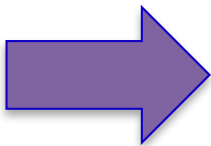


- CMS → ~70Mpixel
- high resolution high speed photcamera

- 1 MB / event
- LHC bunch frequency: 40 MHz
- ⇒ 40 TB/s ⇒ ~420 EB/year

**We can't store all the events. We need to select the interesting picture on the fly!**

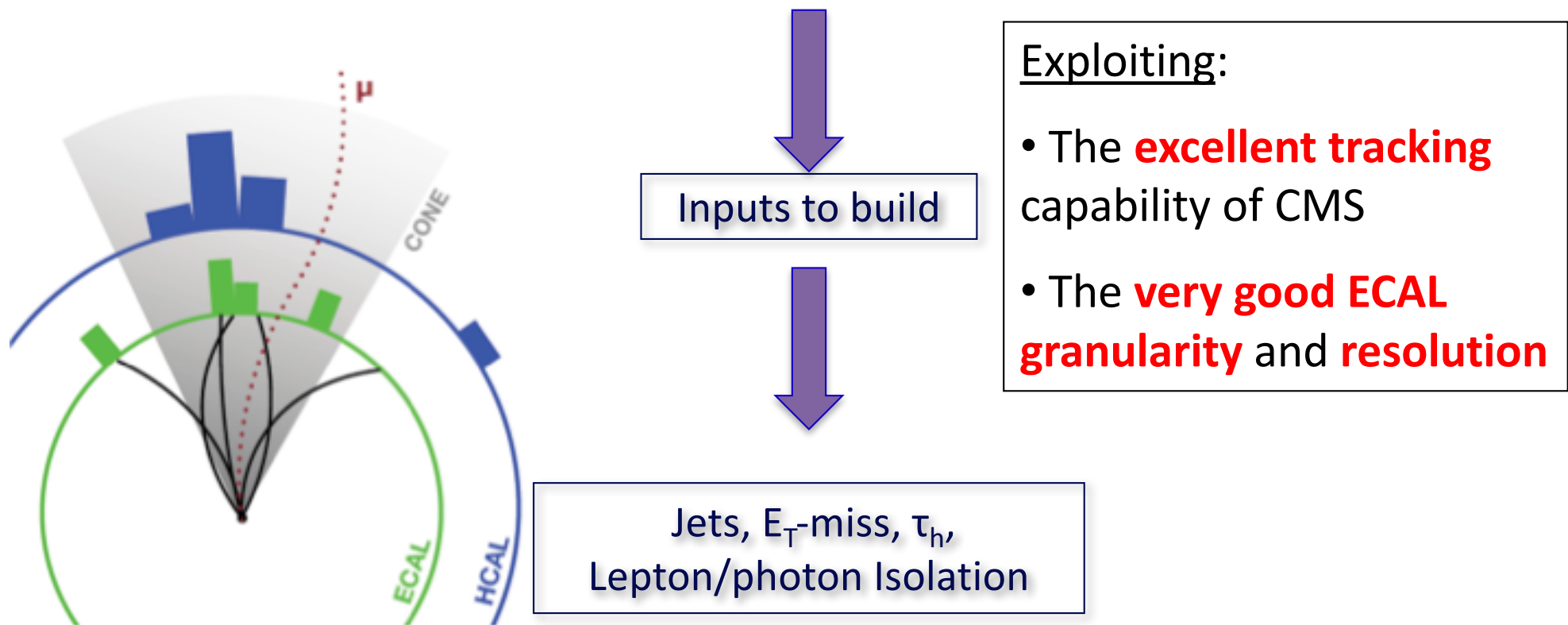
Trigger system – 2 levels



- **Hardware trigger (L1):**
  - decrease the rate down to O(100)KHz
  - ~100GB/s → ~2000 computers
- **Software trigger (HLT)**
  - further decrease the rate down to O(100)Hz
  - 300MB/s (20Tb/day)



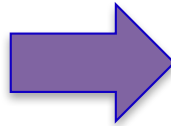
- Combines the information from the different CMS sub-detectors to identify all the stable particles in the event:  $e^\pm$ ,  $\mu^\pm$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $h^\pm$ ,  $h^0$



## Physics theory

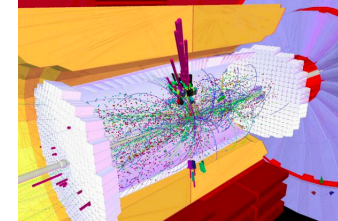
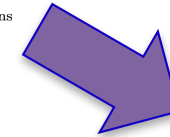
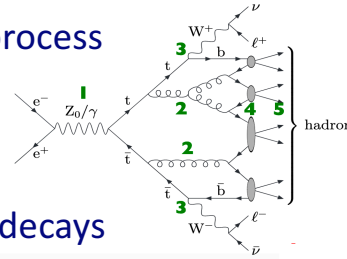
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + i\bar{\psi} \not{D} \psi + h.c. + \psi_c Y_{ij} \psi_j \phi + h.c. + D_\mu \phi^\dagger \phi - V(\phi)$$

*Standard Model*



## Monte Carlo simulation:

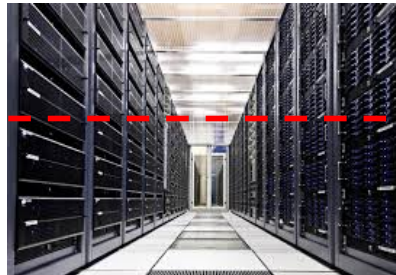
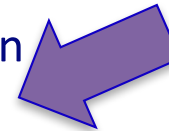
1. Hard-Scattering process
2. Parton-shower
3. Parton-decay
4. Hadronization
5. Unstable hadron decays



## Detector Simulation (GEANT4):

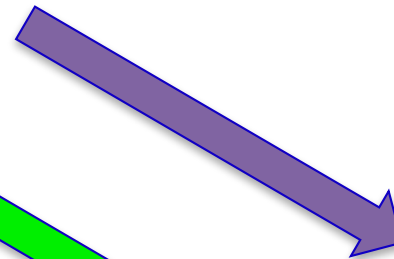
1. Interaction with detector material
2. Digitization process

## Trigger + Object Reconstruction

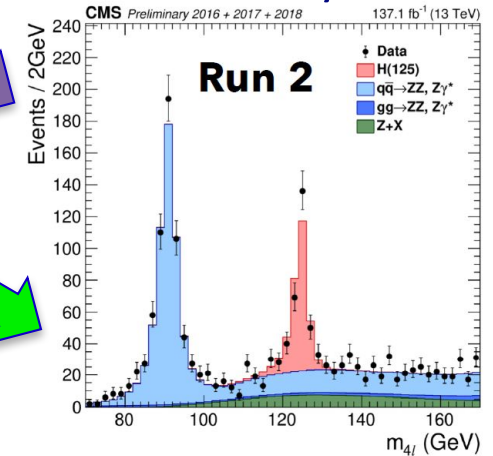


SIMULATION

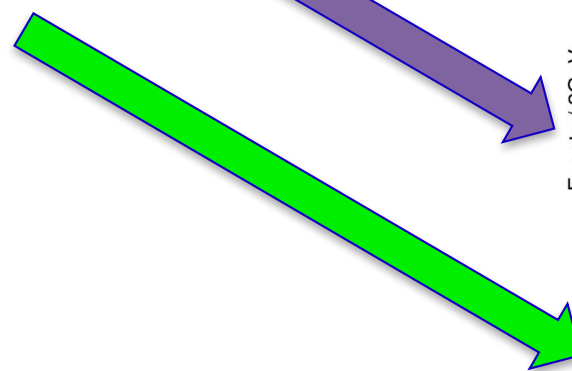
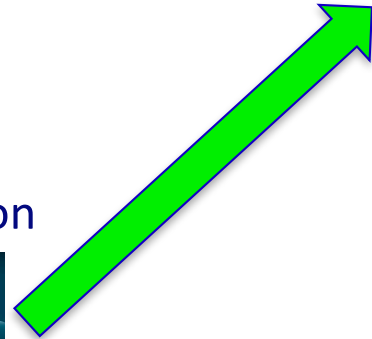
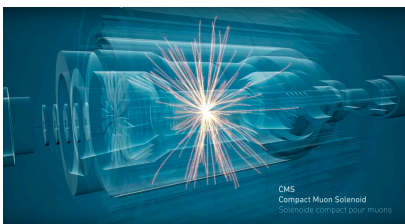
REAL LIFE



## Data Analysis



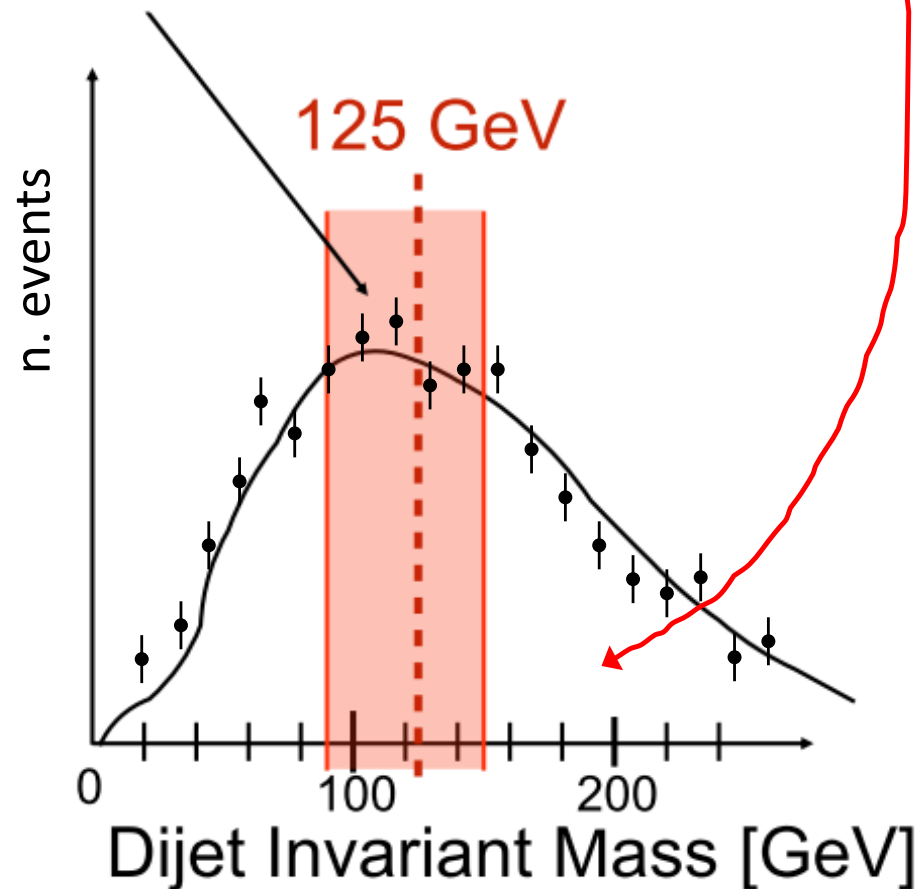
## proton-proton collision



## Template Analysis – Approach used in VHbb and VHcc analyses

1. Signal and Background samples are simulated with MC

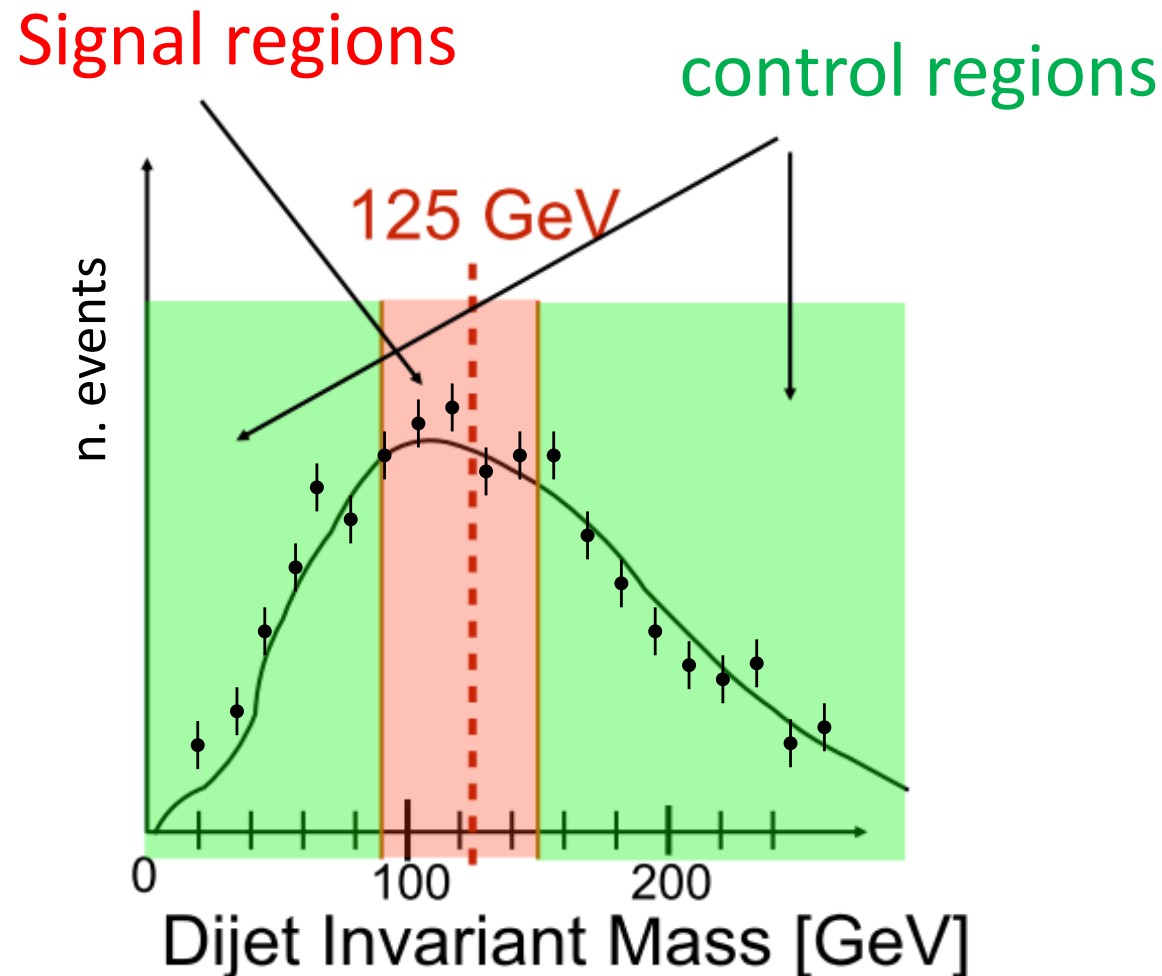
Signal regions



Usually histograms filled with a uniform color

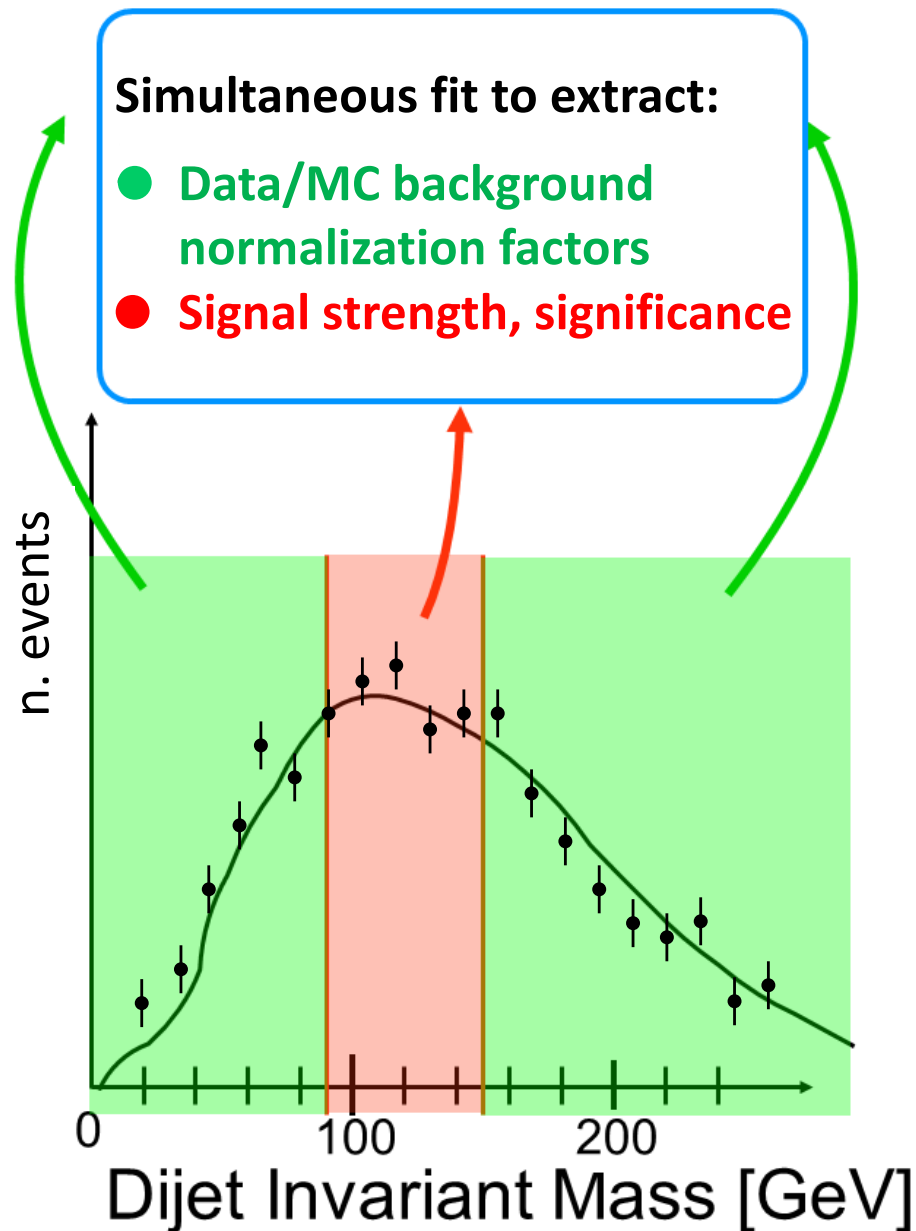
## Template Analysis

2. Definition of **control region** or "side-bands" to evaluate the **backgrounds yields**
3. **Fit MC samples to data** and **extract** the best-fit values for the **parameters**,



## Template Analysis

- Fit MC samples to data and extract the best-fit values for the parameters

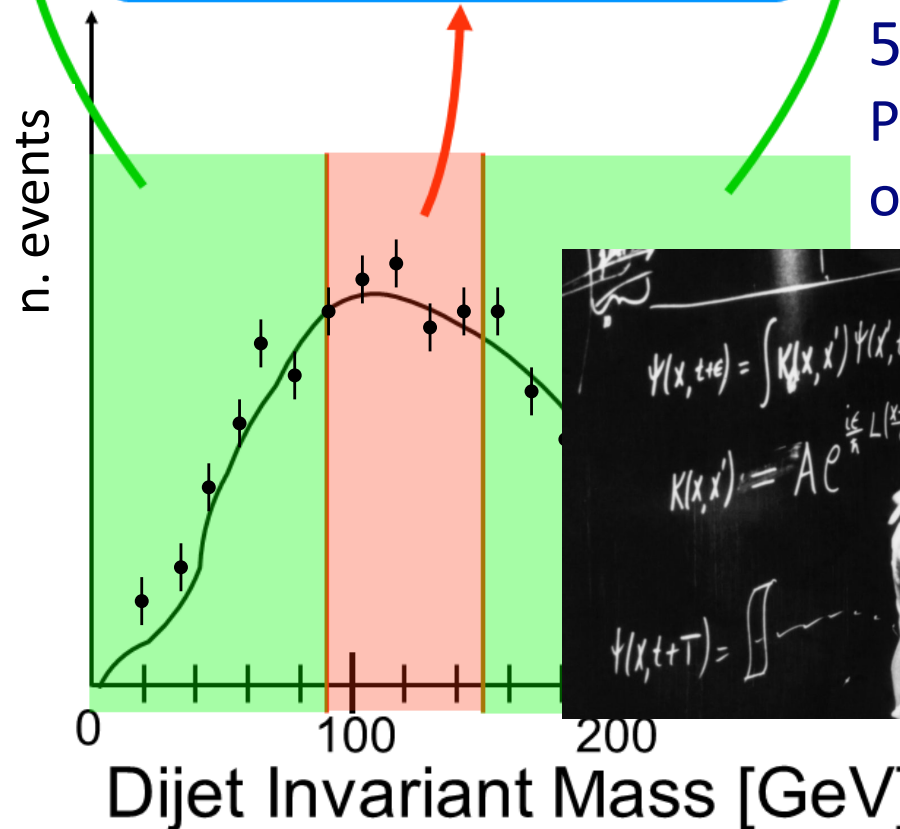


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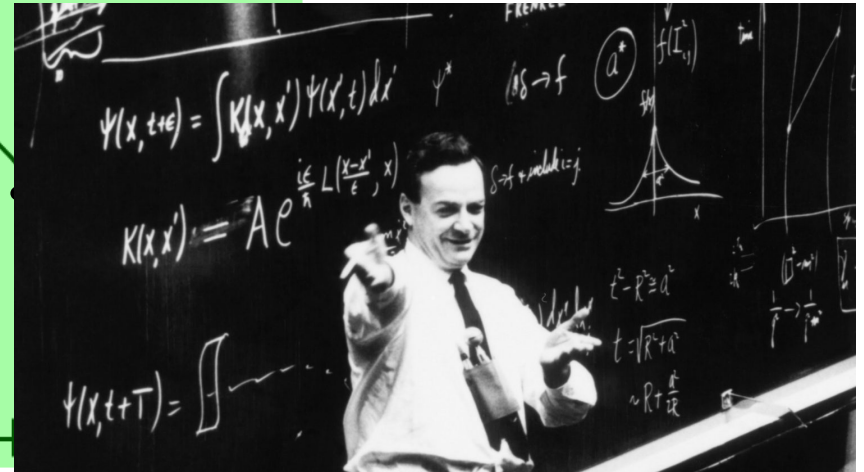
- Fit MC samples to data and extract the best-fit values for the parameters

Simultaneous fit to extract:

- Data/MC background normalization factors
- Signal strength, significance

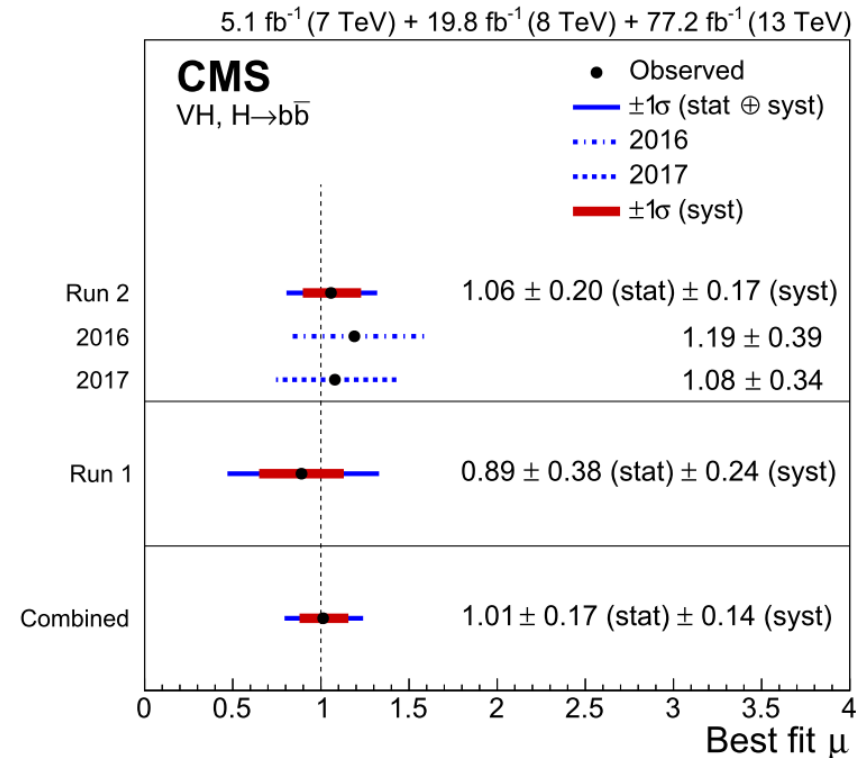
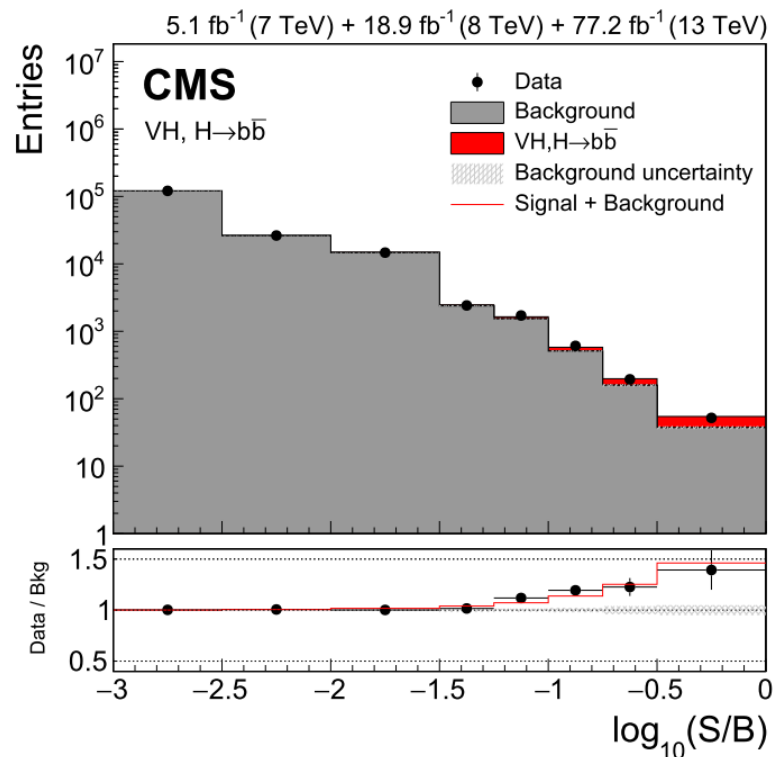


- The fun part: Physical interpretation of the results



## Combination of VH(H→bb) measurement

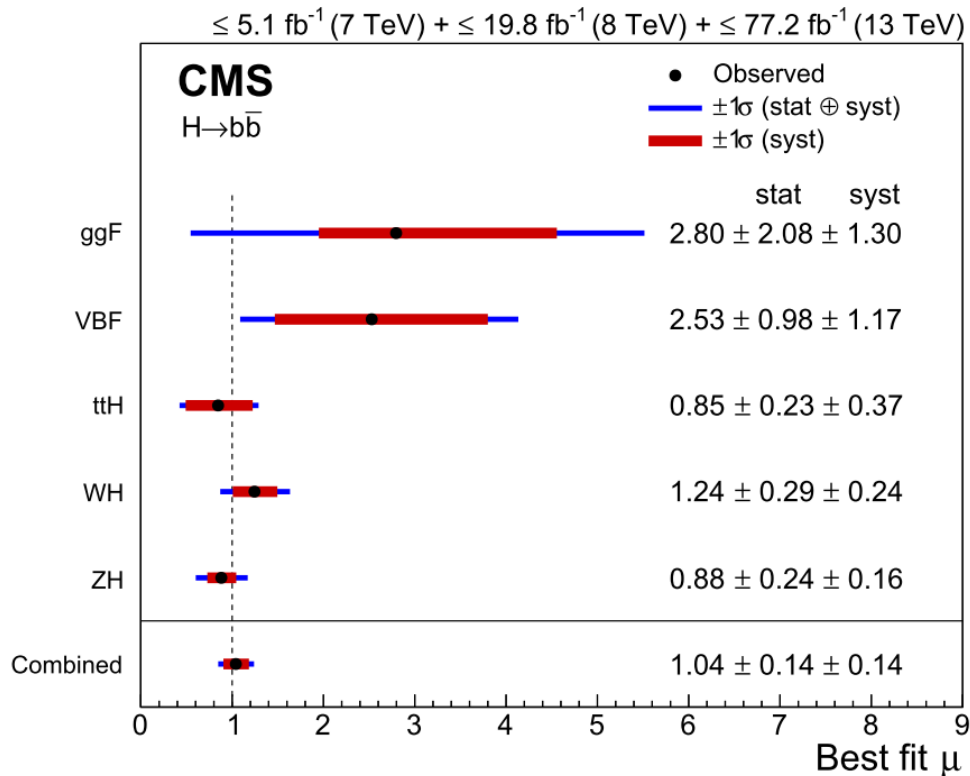
Data set	Significance ( $\sigma$ )		
	Expected	Observed	Signal strength
2017	3.1	3.3	$1.08 \pm 0.34$
Run 2	4.2	4.4	$1.06 \pm 0.26$
<b>Run 1 + Run 2</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b><math>1.01 \pm 0.23</math></b>





## Combination of all CMS $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ measurements

- VH, boosted ggH, VBF, ttH
- Most sources of systematic uncertainty are treated as uncorrelated
- Theory uncertainties are correlated between all processes and data sets



Significance:  
 **$5.5\sigma$  expected**  
 **$5.6\sigma$  observed**



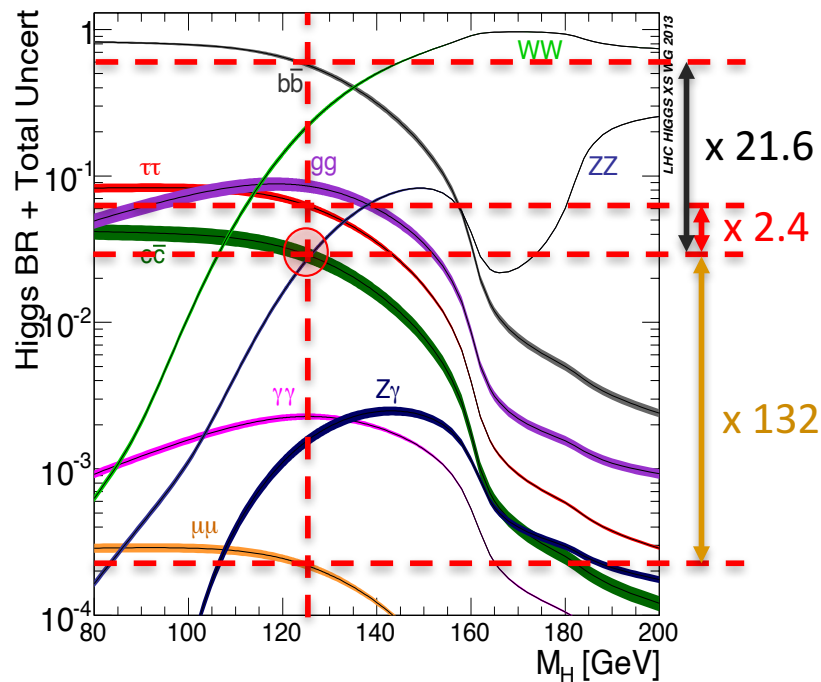
**Observation of the  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  decay by the CMS Collaboration**



Measured signal strength:  
 **$\mu = 1.04 \pm 0.20$**

# Search for the associated production of Higgs boson with W/Z decaying to Charms

- **Objective: Probe Higgs couplings to up-type, 2<sup>nd</sup>-generation quarks**
  - Higgs-charm coupling can be significantly modified by the presence of BSM



## Direct $H \rightarrow cc$ search:

- ATLAS in Z(LL)H channel [2016]  
UL( $\mu$ ) < 110 (150) Obs (Exp)

## Exclusive decay modes with $H \rightarrow J/\psi \gamma$

- ATLAS: 120 (100) x BR obs(exp)
- CMS: 220 (160) x BR obs(exp)

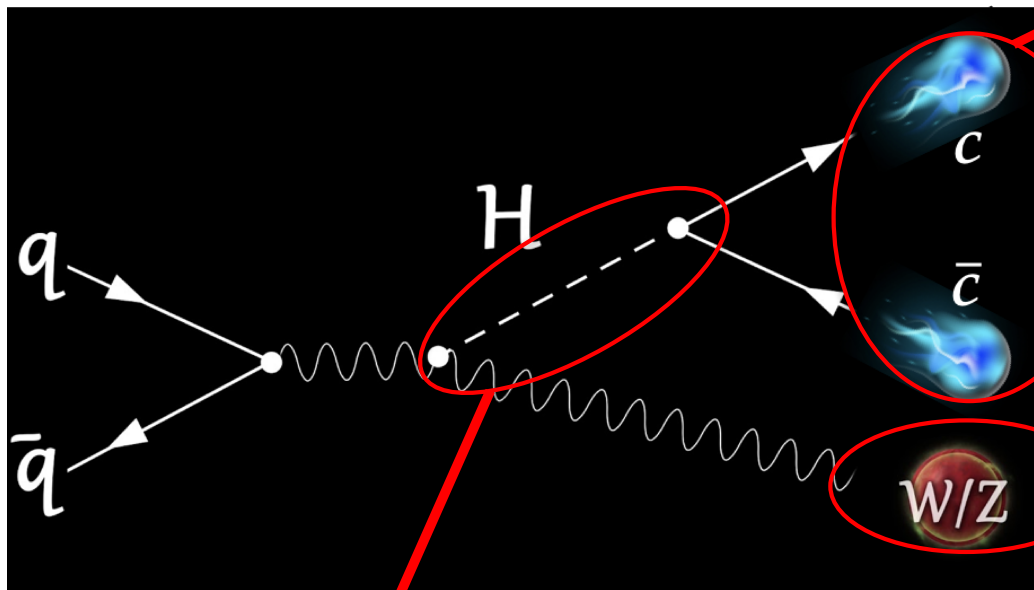
## Indirect bounds:

- $\kappa_c = y_c / y_{c_{SM}}$  from global fit to existing data:  $\kappa_c < 6.2$  results also from CMS

- **$H \rightarrow cc$ : very challenging to hunt at the LHC**
  - Small BR:  $2.9 \times 10^{-2}$  + large backgrounds +  $H \rightarrow bb$  is a background in this search
- **c-tagging more challenging than b-tagging**

## ■ Higgs boson produced in association with W/Z bosons

- Low production cross section ( $\sim 4\%$  of tot x-sec)
- Cleaner experimental signature
  - 2 charm-tagged jets
  - 1 fat jet tagging boosted di-charm
  - ➔ **c-tagging plays a crucial role**



- Exploiting leptonic decays of W/Z
- Handle to trigger efficiently events
- W/Z boost to suppress background

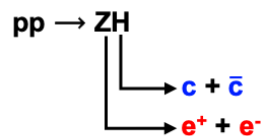
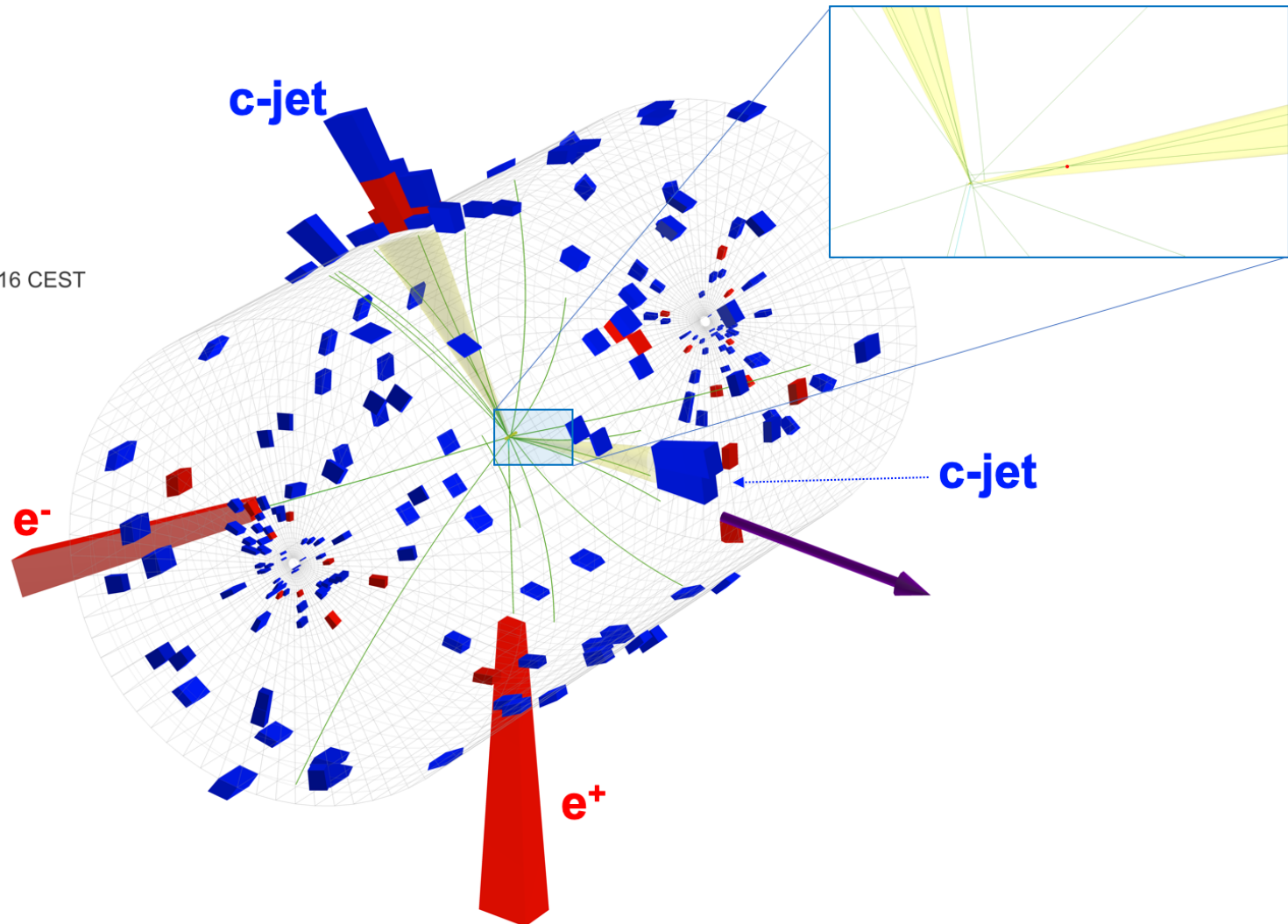
**Depending on the  $p_T$  of the vector, two analysis strategies are deployed**

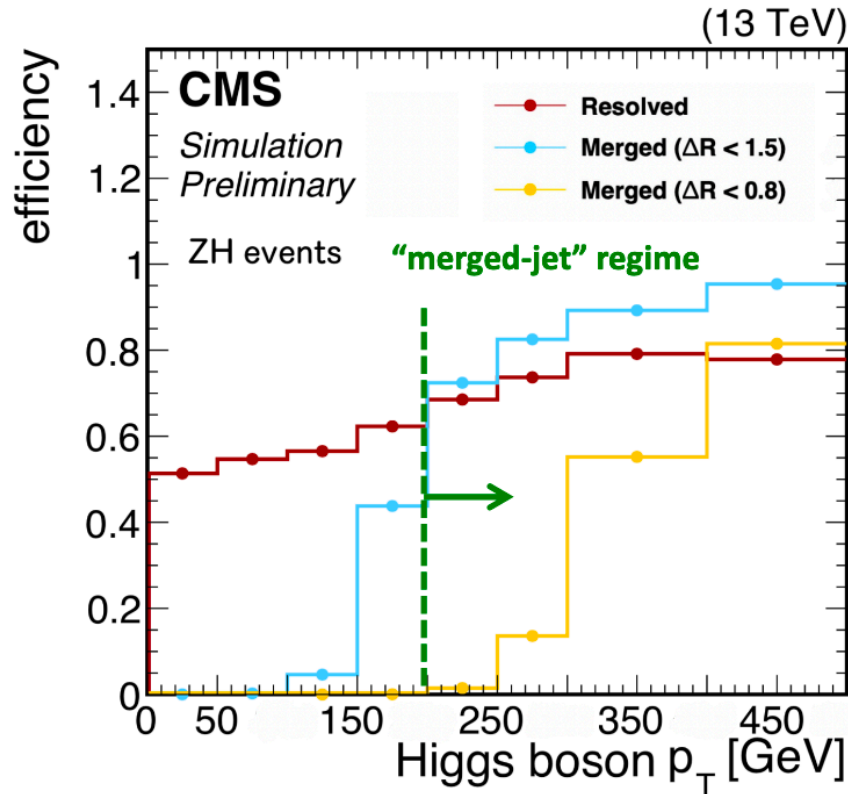
**Resolved analysis** ➔ regimes of **moderate  $p_T(H)$** , H decays reconstructed in 2 AK4 jets

**Boosted analysis** ➔ regimes of **high  $p_T(H)$** , H decays reconstructed in 1 AK15 jets



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## Resolved-jet topology

- Higgs decay products resolved in two AK4 ( $R=0.4$ ) jets (di-jet)
- Probe larger fraction of the available signal cross-section (95% of events have  $p_T(V) < 200$  GeV)

## Merged-jet topology

- A single AK15 ( $R=1.5$ ) jet to reconstruct the  $H \rightarrow cc$  decay
- Allows to better exploit the correlations between the two charms



**Final results: combination of the two topologies to maximise the sensitivity**

Channel	Resolved-jet	Merged-jet
$Z(\nu\nu)H(cc): 0L$	$p_T(Z) > 170$ GeV	$p_T(V) > 200$ GeV
$W(\ell\nu)H(cc): 1L$	$p_T(W) > 100$ GeV	
$Z(\ell\ell)H(cc): 2L$	$p_T(Z) > 50$ GeV	

## DeepAK15 tagger – cornerstone of the boosted VHcc analysis

- Reconstruction of moderately to largely boosted Higgs
- DeepAK15: good compromise between signal purity and acceptance  $p_T > 200$  GeV

More information  
→ [Huilin talk](#)

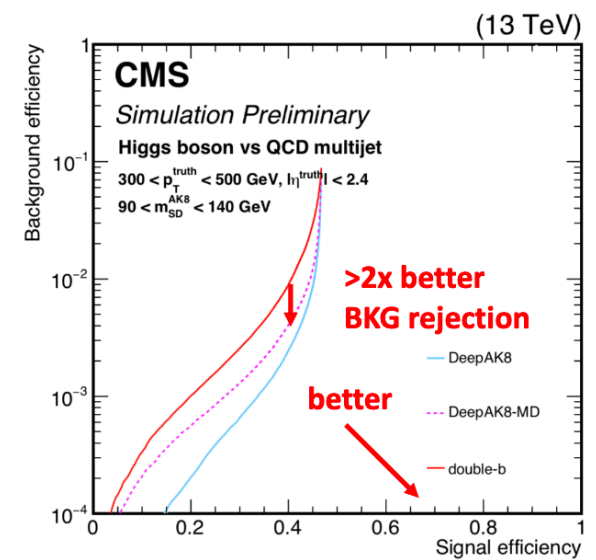
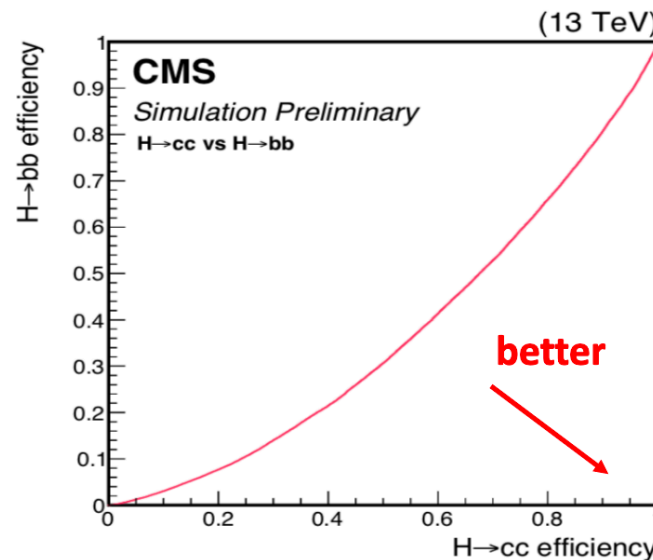
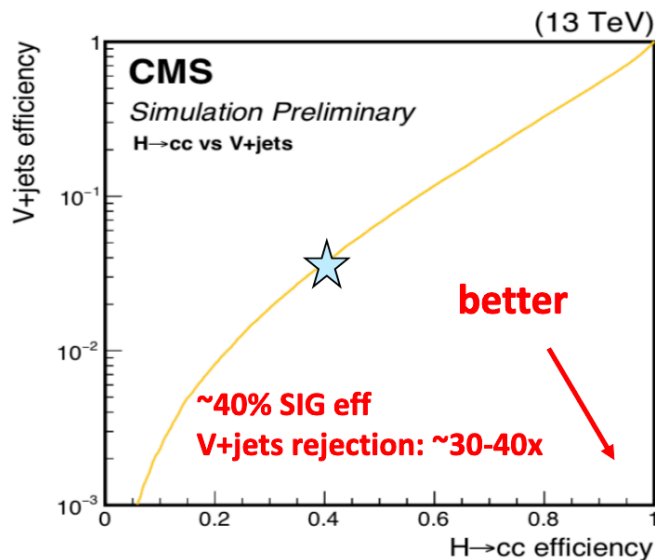
## Boosted jet tagger “DeepAK8” adapted on AK15 jets

- DNN multiclassifier for top, W, Z, Higgs, and QCD jets
- Mass decorrelation techniques to mitigate mass sculpting
- Validation in data using proxy jets from  $g \rightarrow cc$

[CMS-DP-2017-049](#)

[NIPS 2017 paper,](#)

[CMS-JME-18-002](#)



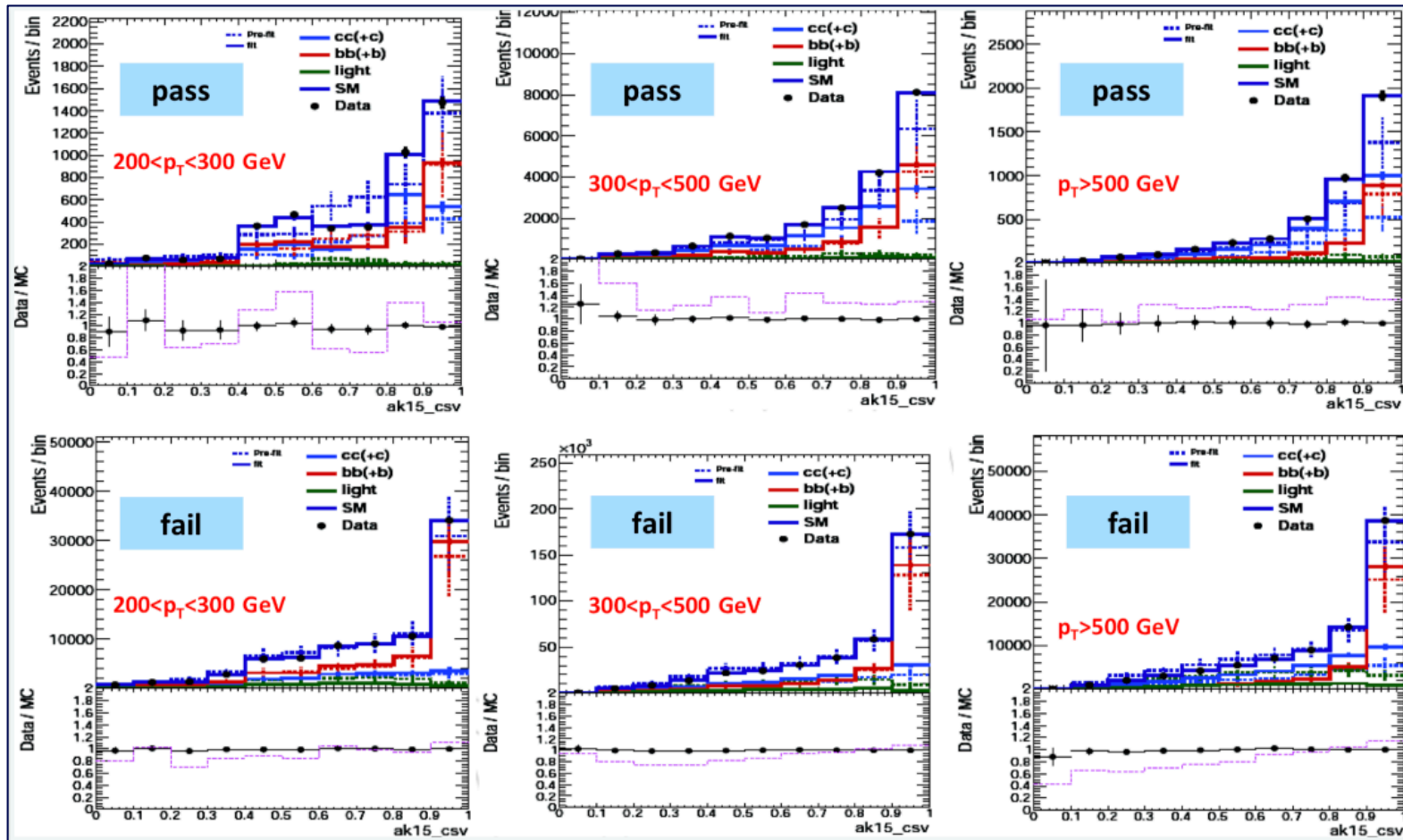
$$\frac{\text{score}(Z \rightarrow c\bar{c}) + \text{score}(H \rightarrow c\bar{c})}{\text{score}(Z \rightarrow c\bar{c}) + \text{score}(H \rightarrow c\bar{c}) + \text{score}(\text{QCD})}$$

Significant gain in performance  
[Even larger @high  $p_T$ ]

## Scale factor derivation

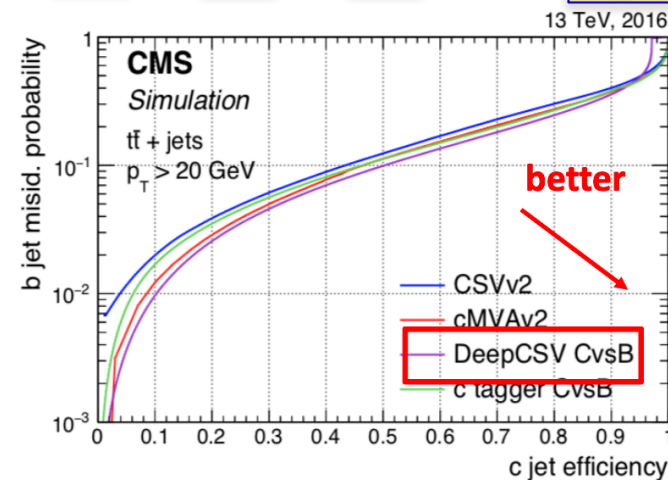
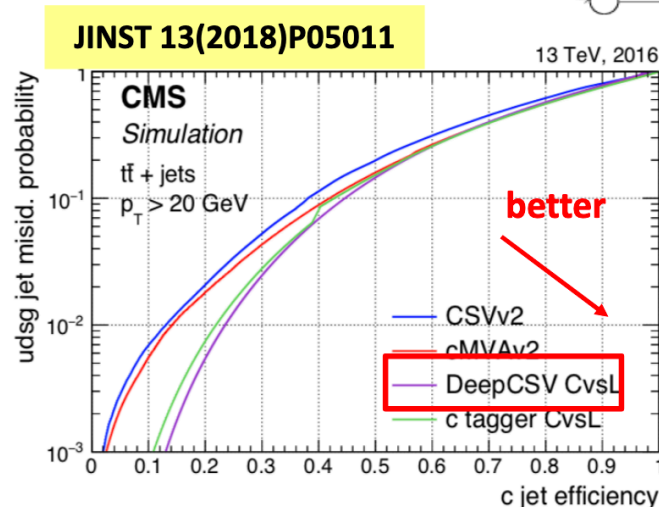
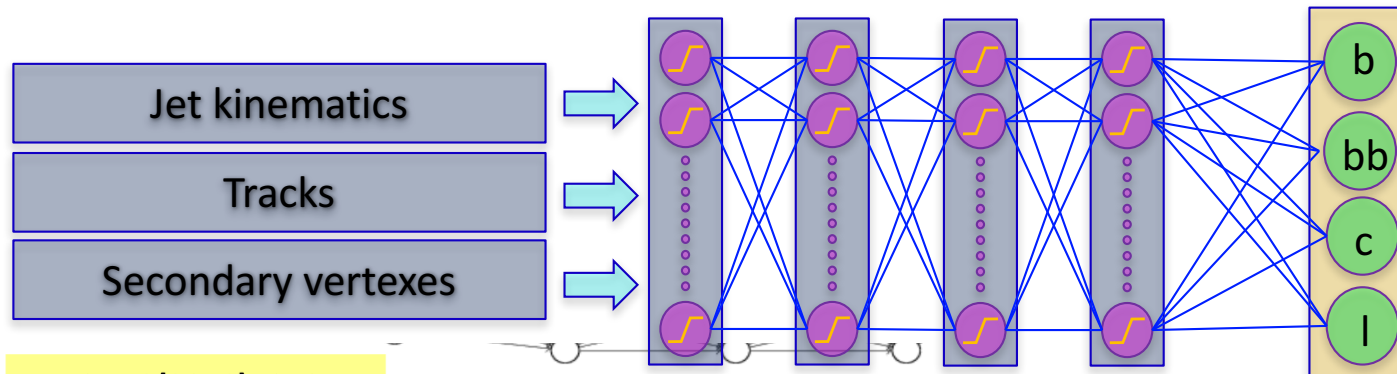
- Template fit of the tagger for the 3 chosen WP
- Loose selection + constraint on SV

	$p_T$ range in GeV:		
	200–300	300–500	>500
LP WP	$1.12^{+0.17}_{-0.13}$	$1.18^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$	$1.11^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$
MP WP	$1.33^{+0.40}_{-0.20}$	$1.01^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$	$0.90^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$
HP WP	$1.40^{+0.27}_{-0.19}$	$0.85^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$	$0.95^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$





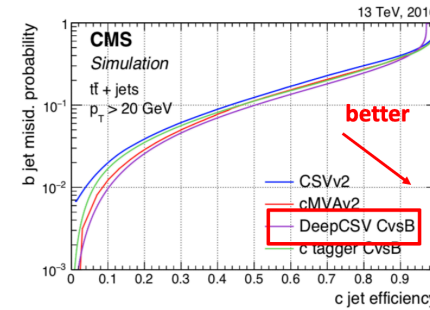
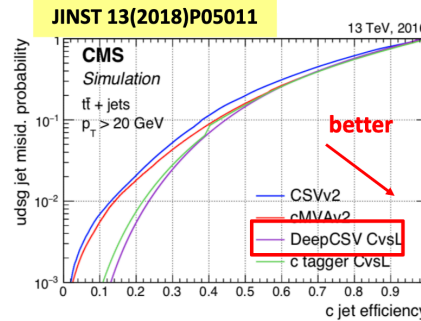
- Tagging c-jets is challenging → intermediate properties vs light- and b-jets
- DeepCSV: DNN architecture
  - Input variables go through 4 fully connected layers, each layer has 100 nodes
  - Output layer → softmax activation function → multiclassification
  - Returns 4 scores interpreted as a prob. for a given jet to be originated by a b, bb, c and l



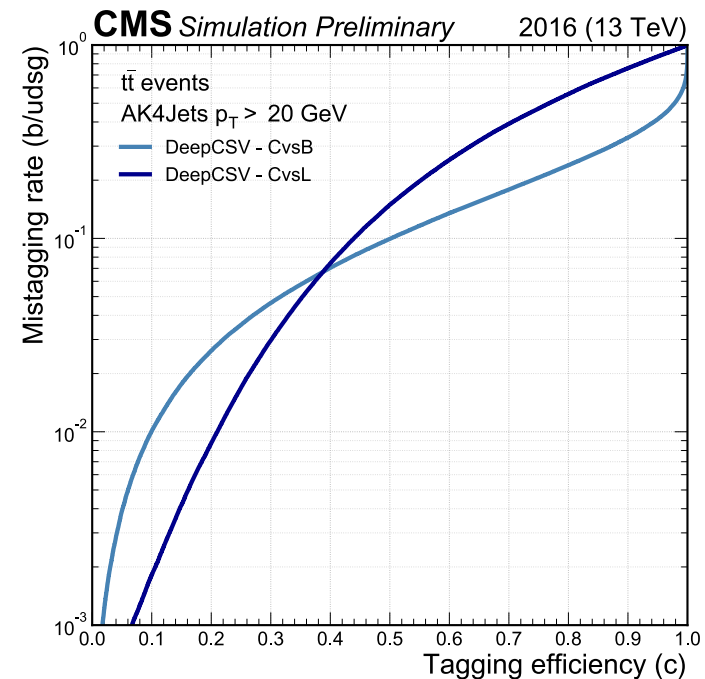
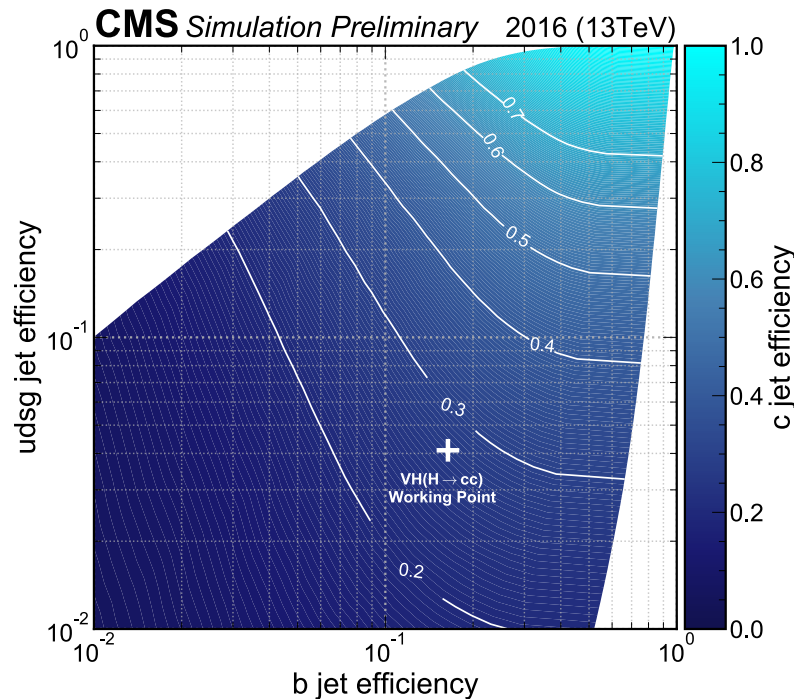
- Define two discriminants to separate c-jets from light and b-jets

$$CvsL = \frac{p(c)}{p(c) + p(light)}$$

$$CvsB = \frac{p(c)}{p(c) + p(b)}$$



More information  
→ [Spandan talk](#)



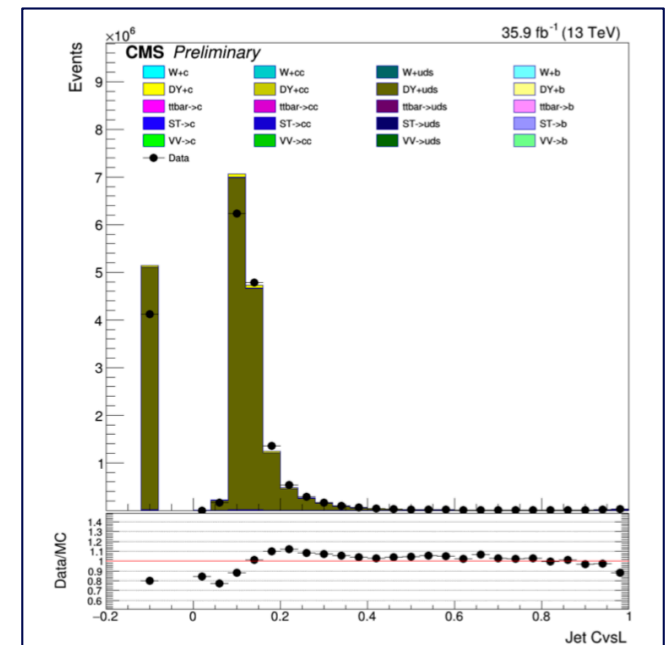
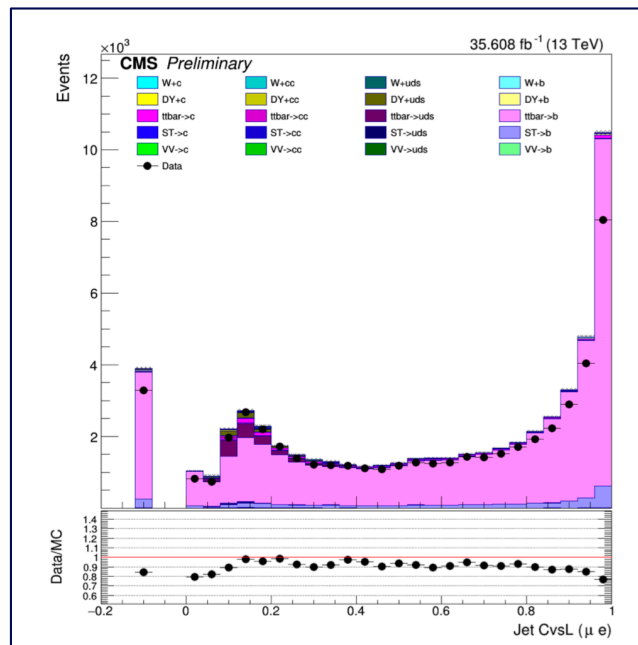
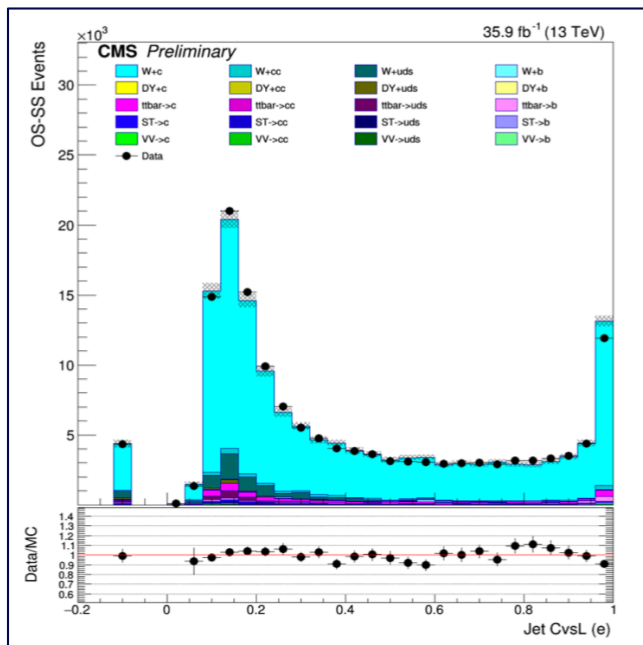
- Taggers working point used in the analysis allow for **~28%** efficiency for **charm** jet while keeping the rate from **b-jet ~15%** and from **light ~4%**

## ■ Strategy in a nutshell

- Iterative fit to the CvsL-CvsB plane in 3 data samples enriched in different jet-flavours

## ■ Event Selections

- **c-jet:** OS-SS W+jets selection, looking to leptonic decay of the W boson + soft muon
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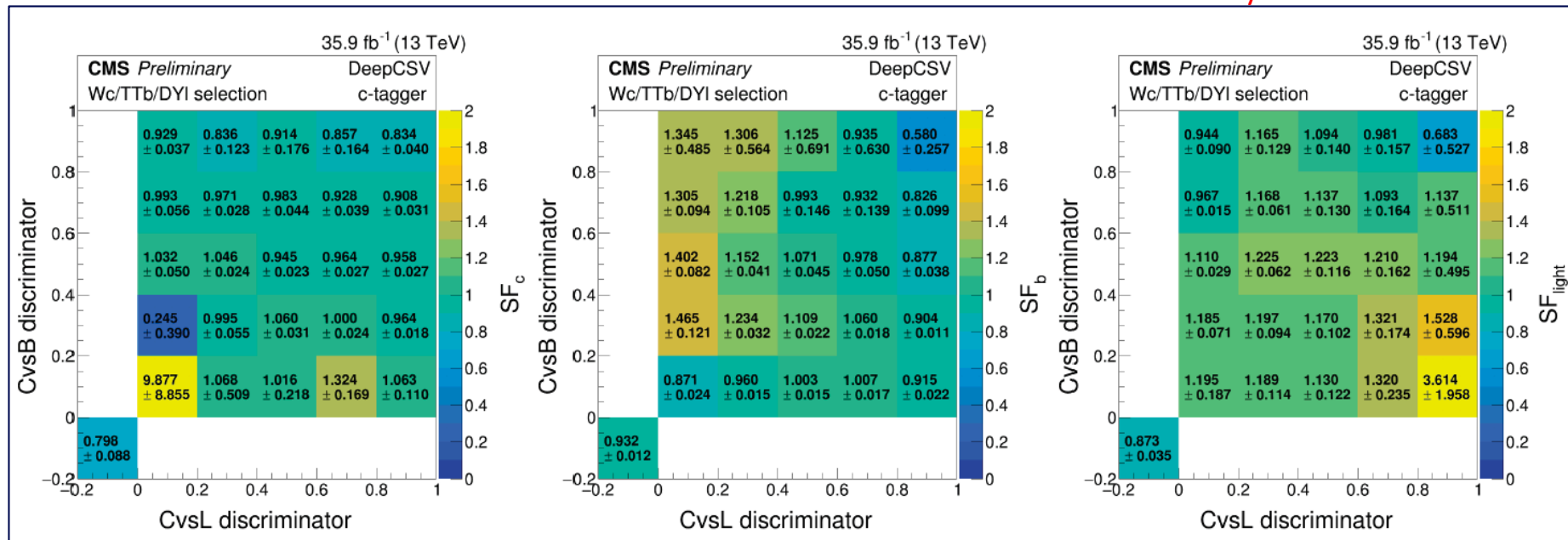
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## ■ Reshaping scale factor central values

$$w_i = \prod_{i=1}^{jets} sf_i(CvsL, CvsB)$$

Errors account for both statistical and systematics uncertainties

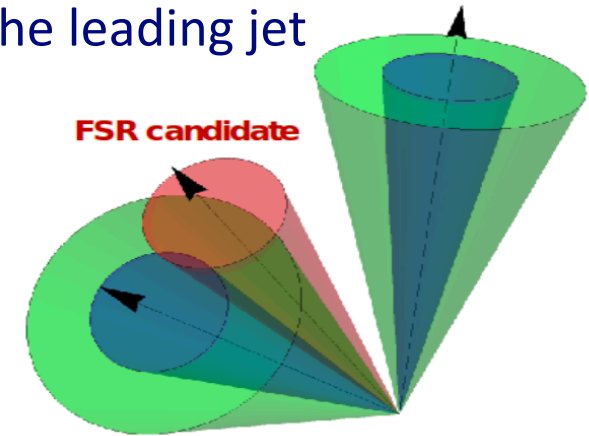


## ■ Higgs boson reconstruction

- Pair of jets with the **highest CvsL-score** → build Higgs candidate 4-vector
- Further require: **CvsL(max) > 0.4 & CvsB(min) > 0.2** for the leading jet

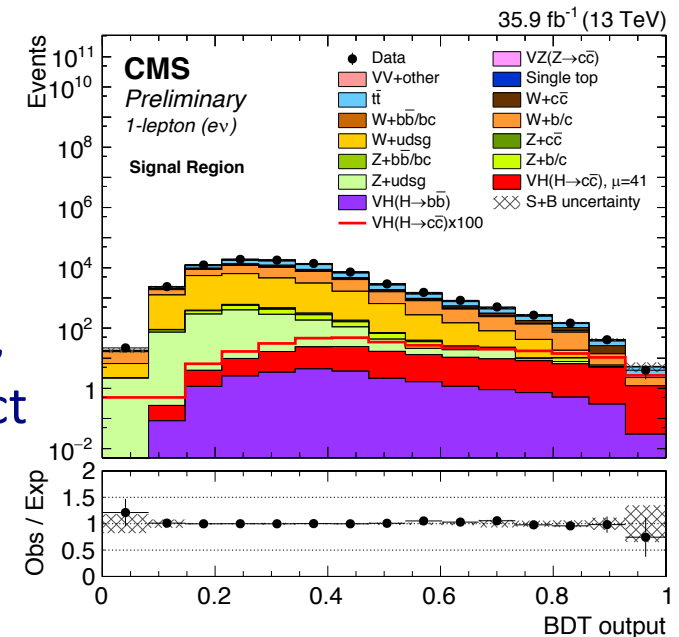
## ■ Final State Radiation (FSR) recovery

- Improve dijet invariant mass resolution by a few %

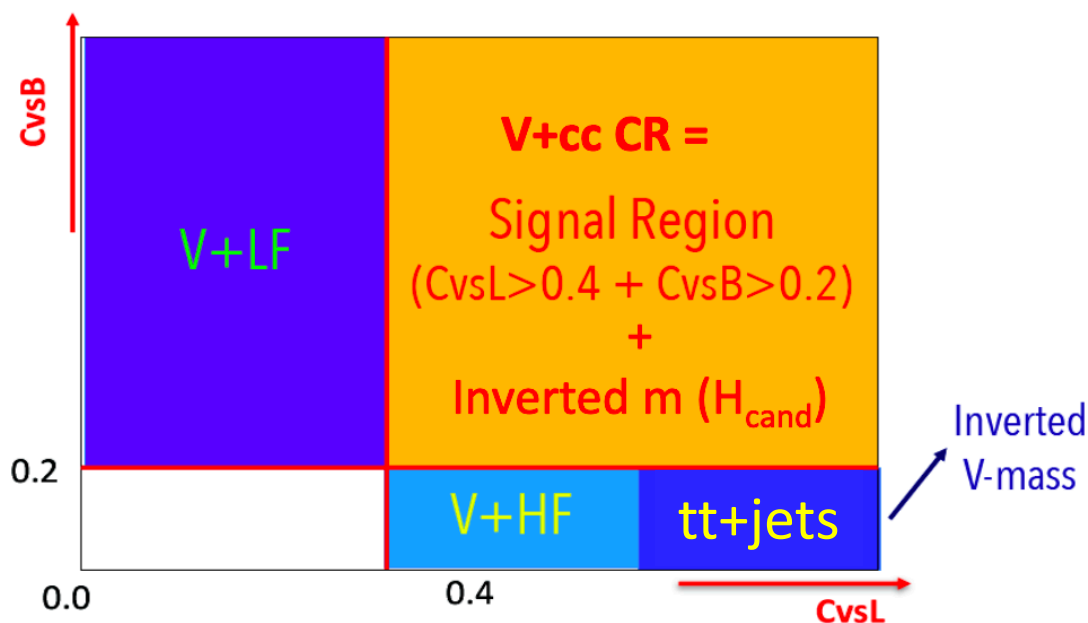


## ■ Multivariate analysis for final signal extraction

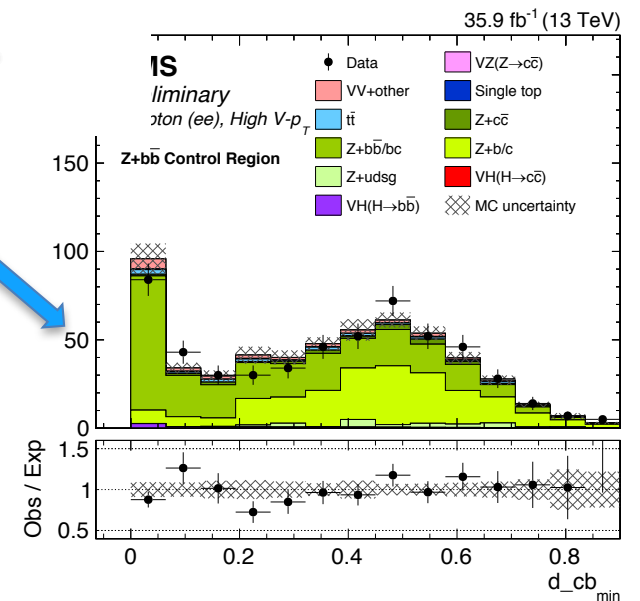
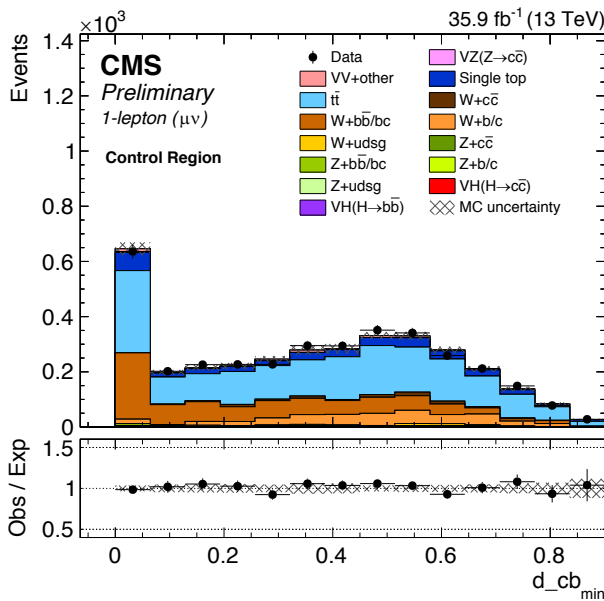
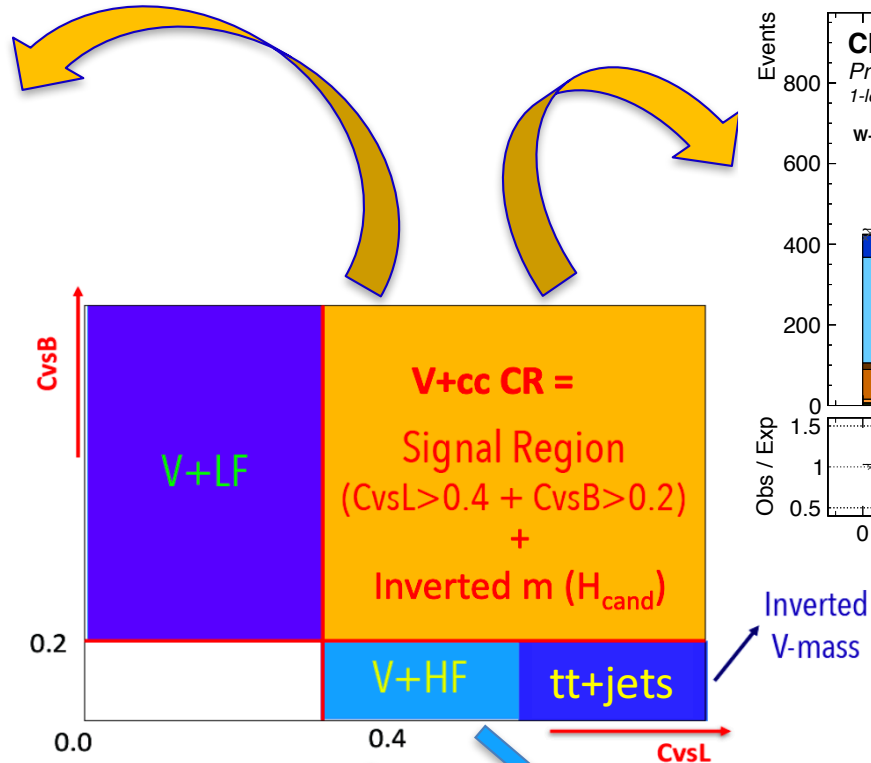
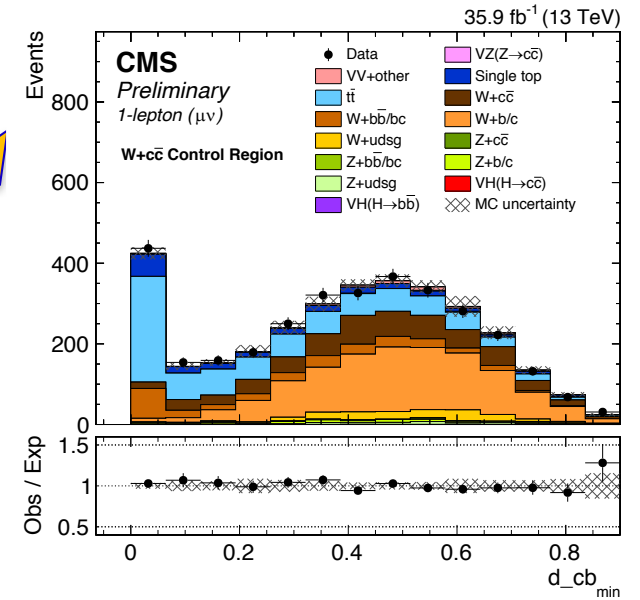
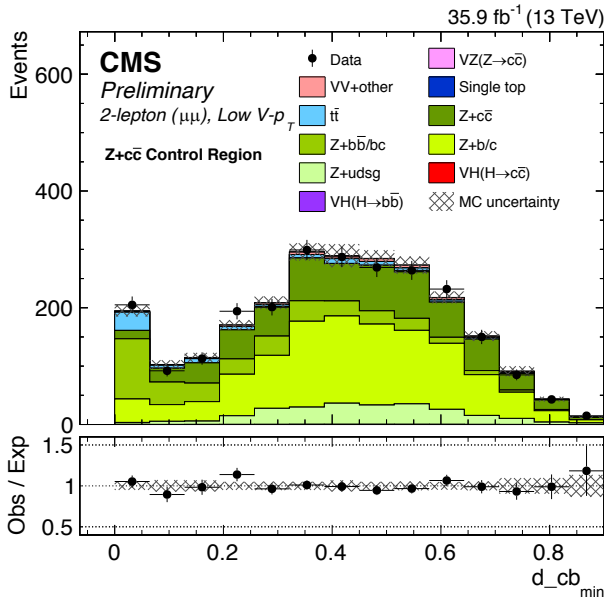
- BDT to further discriminate signal from backgrounds
- Dedicated training in each channel
- Input variables: H properties, V boson properties, c-tagging discriminants, event kinematics & object correlations



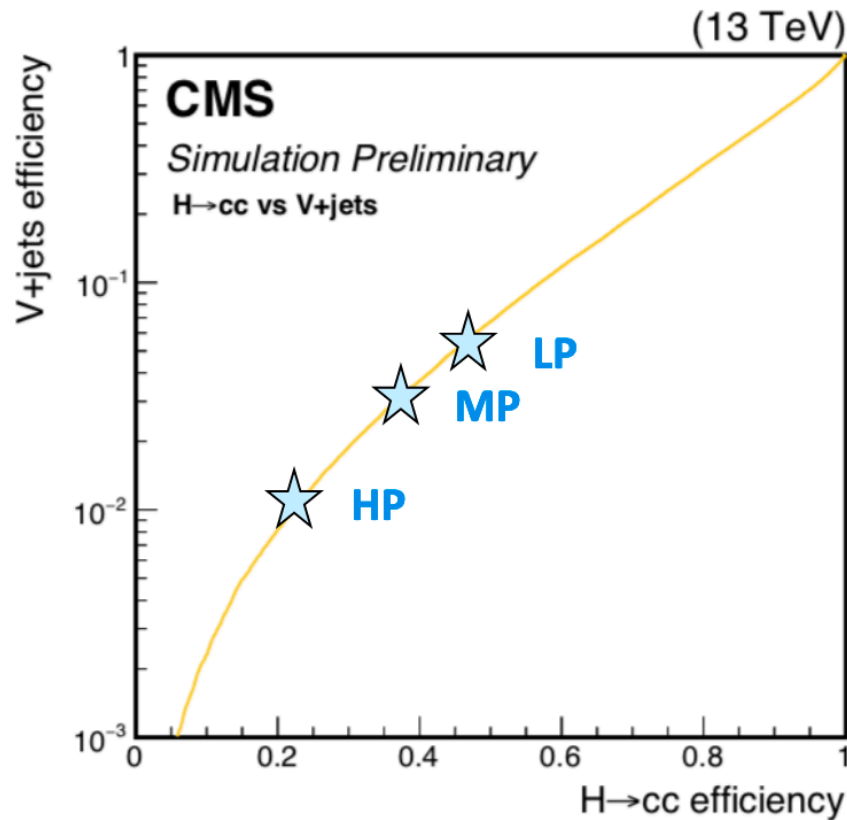
- Main backgrounds normalization (V+jets and tt+jets) estimated from data
  - The shapes are taken from simulation (LO samples used for V+jets)
  - 4 control regions are defined per each analysis category and channel
  - V+jets: split based on flavour composition (V+cc, V+bb/bc, V+bl/cl, V+udsg)



- The control region are fitted simultaneously with the SR
  - The shape of the  $CvsB/CvsL$  is fitted in the control region



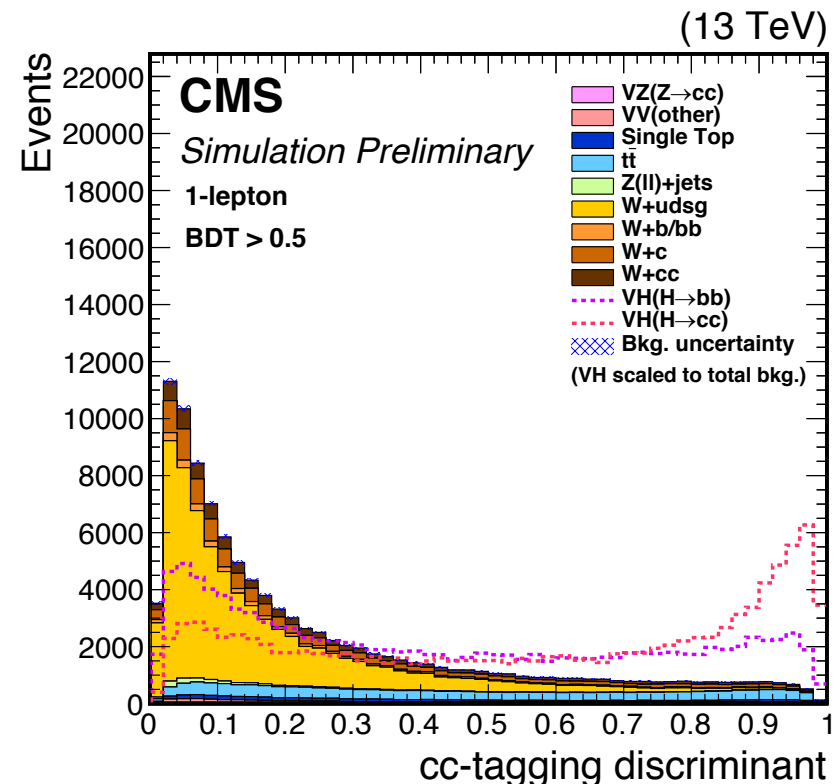
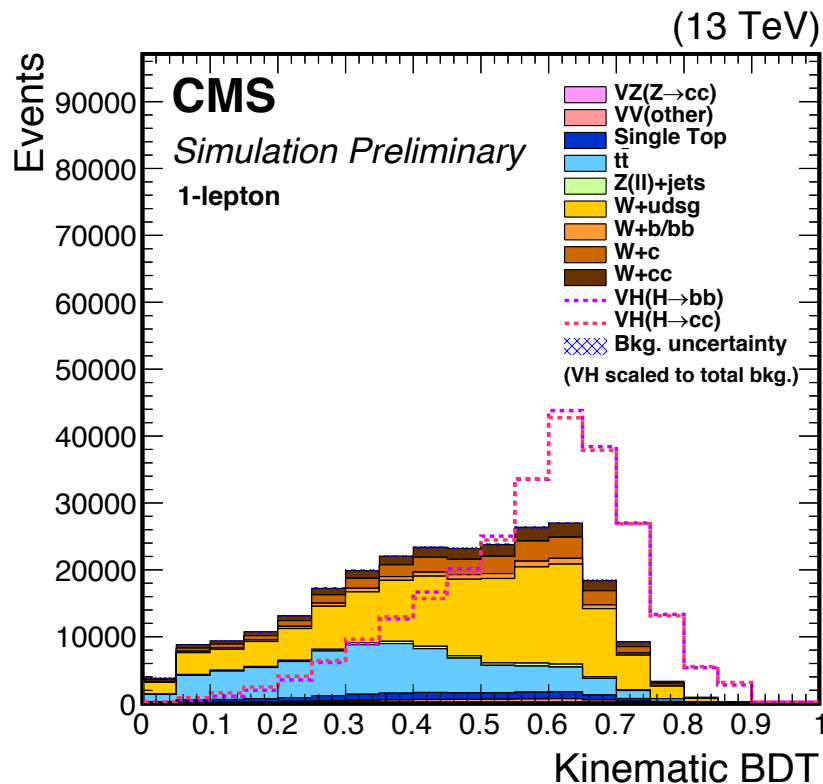
- H reconstruction: highest pT AK15 jet [ $p_T > 200$  GeV,  $50 < m(\text{jet}) < 250$  GeV]
- Events classified into three mutually exclusive categories based on the three WPs of the cc-discriminant: [High / Medium / Low purity (HP, MP, LP) ]



cc-discriminant	>0.72	>0.83	>0.91
$\epsilon(H \rightarrow cc)$	46%	35%	23%
$\epsilon(V+jets)$	5%	2.5%	1%
$\epsilon(H \rightarrow bb)$	27%	17%	9%



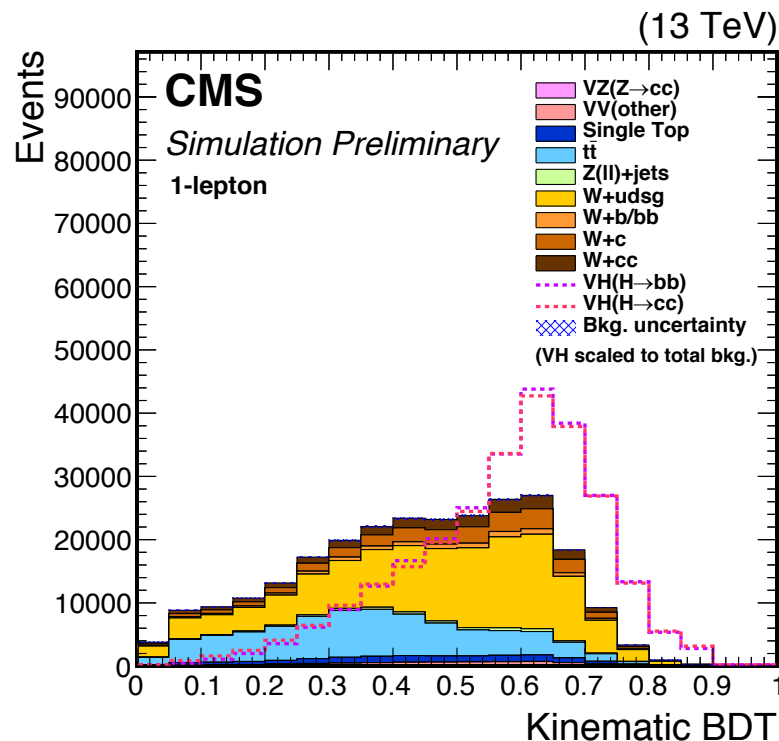
- Event-level separation: BDT to suppress major backgrounds
  - Use only event kinematics, NOT the intrinsic properties (flavour/mass) of H
  - Search region:  $BDT > 0.5$  [same for all channels]



- BDI largely uncorrelated with Higgs candidate mass and cc-discriminant

➔ The variable used in the final fit is the  $m(H) = m(\text{jet})$

- Major backgrounds (i.e. V+jets and ttbar) estimated from data CRs
  - V+jets CR: low BDT score [i.e.  $BDT < 0.5$ ] + one overall normalization for V+jets (in each of the HP/MP/LP categories)
  - ttbar CR: As the SR but invert  $N_{AK4}$  (NB:  $N_{AK4} < 2$  requirement applied in SR)
- CRs are designed to have similar flavour composition as SRs
  - same cc-tagging requirement as the corresponding SR



Full analysis validated in two data samples:

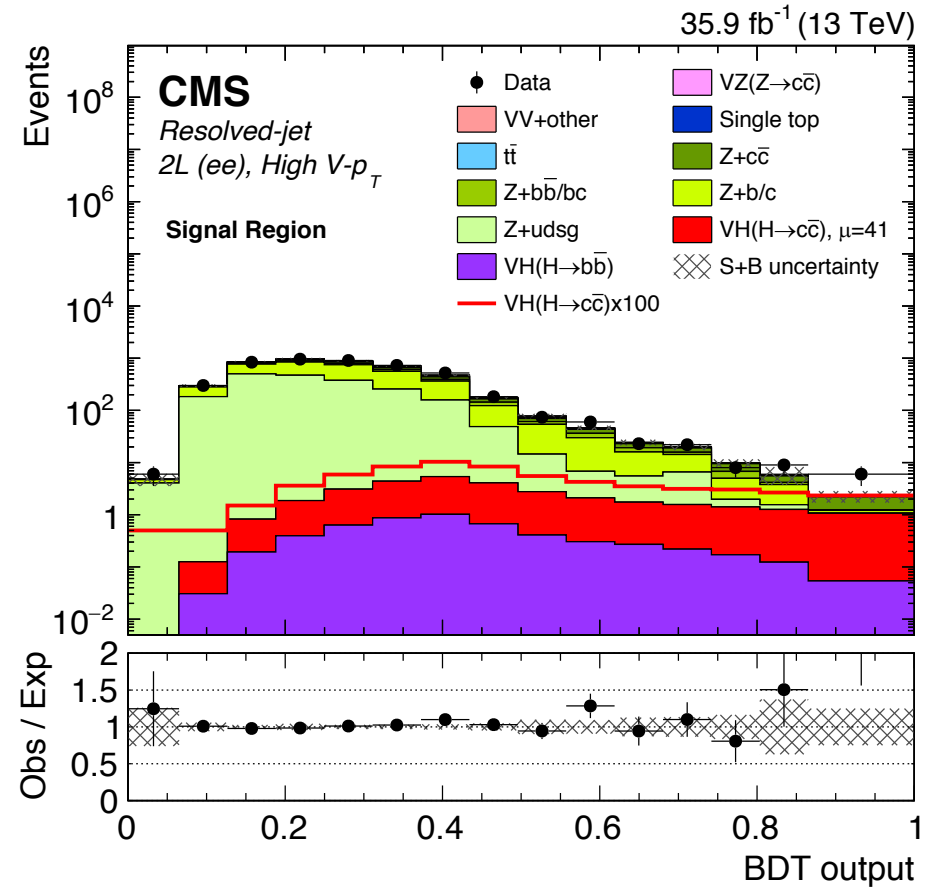
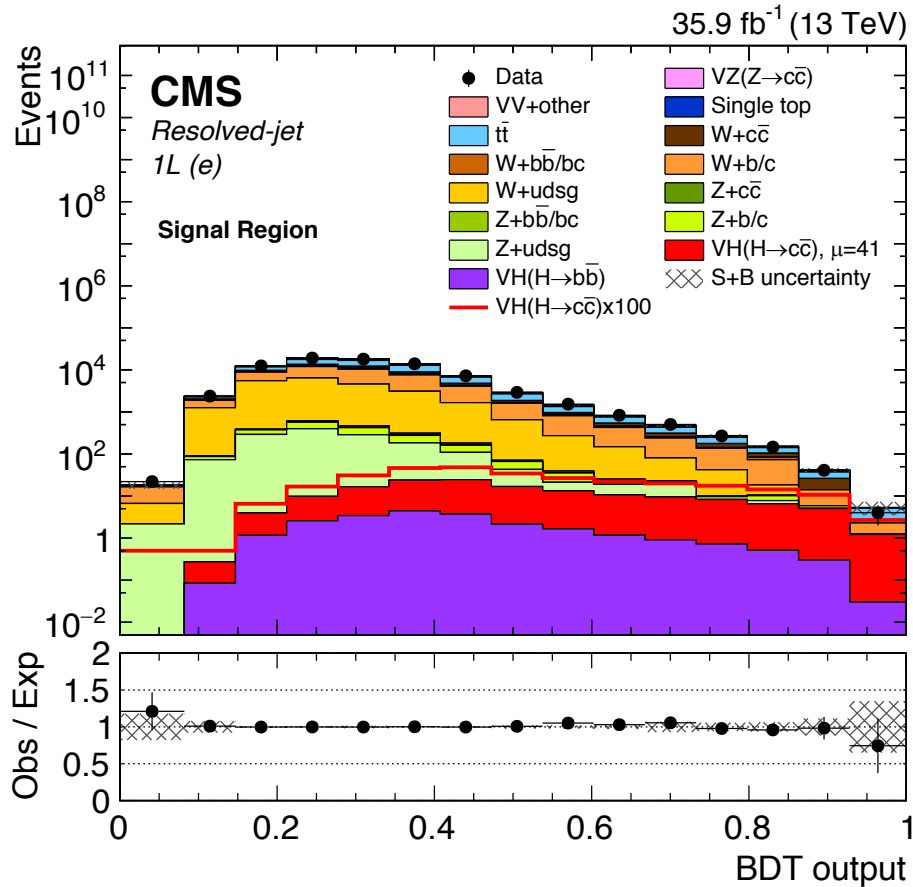
- ➔ Low  $p_T(V)$
- ➔ Low values of the cc-tagger

Source	Type	0-lepton	1-lepton	2-lepton
Size of simulated samples	shape	✓	✓	✓
Jet energy scale	shape	✓	✓	✓
Jet energy resolution	shape	✓	✓	✓
MET unclustered energy	shape	✓	✓	
c tagging efficiency	shape	✓	✓	✓
Lepton identification efficiency	shape (rate)		✓	✓
Pileup reweighting	shape	✓	✓	✓
top $p_T$ reweighting	shape	✓	✓	✓
$p_T(V)$ reweighting	shape	✓	✓	✓
PDF	shape	✓	✓	✓
Renormalization and factorization scales	shape	✓	✓	✓
VH: $p_T(V)$ NLO EWK correction	shape	✓	✓	✓
Luminosity	rate	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%
MET trigger efficiency	rate	2%		
Lepton trigger efficiency	shape (rate)		✓	✓
Single top cross section	rate	15%	15%	15%
Diboson cross section	rate	10%	10%	10%
VH: cross section (PDF)	rate	✓	✓	✓
VH: cross section (scale)	rate	✓	✓	✓

- Dominant sources:
  - statistical uncertainty, c/cc-tagging and MC modelling

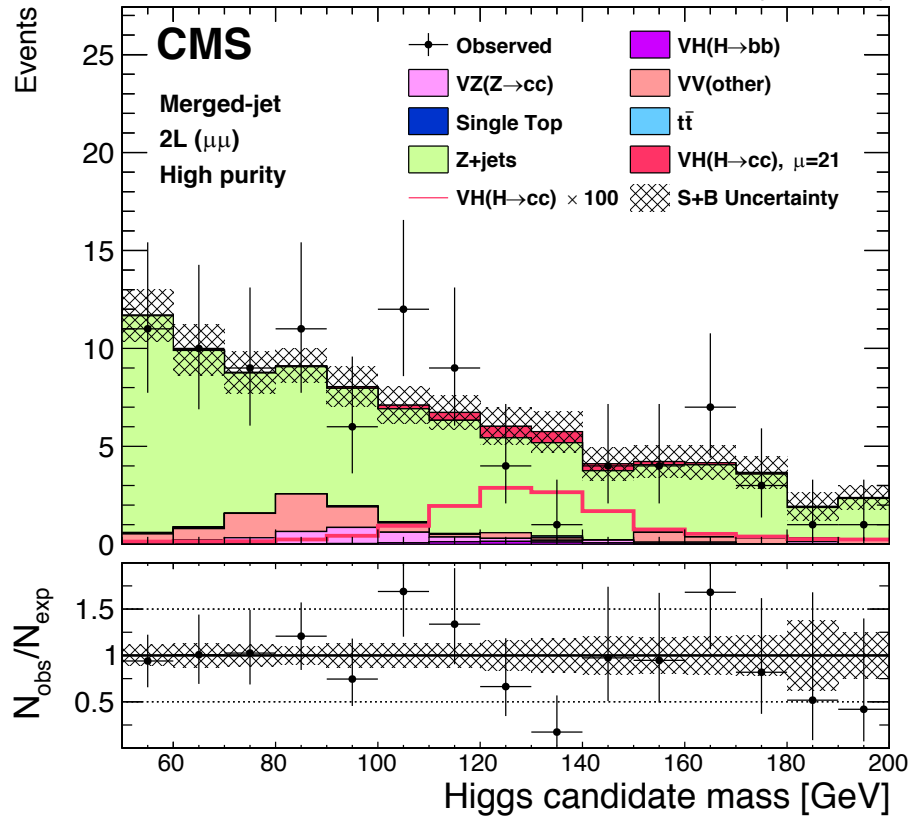
## 1-lepton – W(eν)

## 2-leptons High-p<sub>T</sub>(V) – Z(ee)



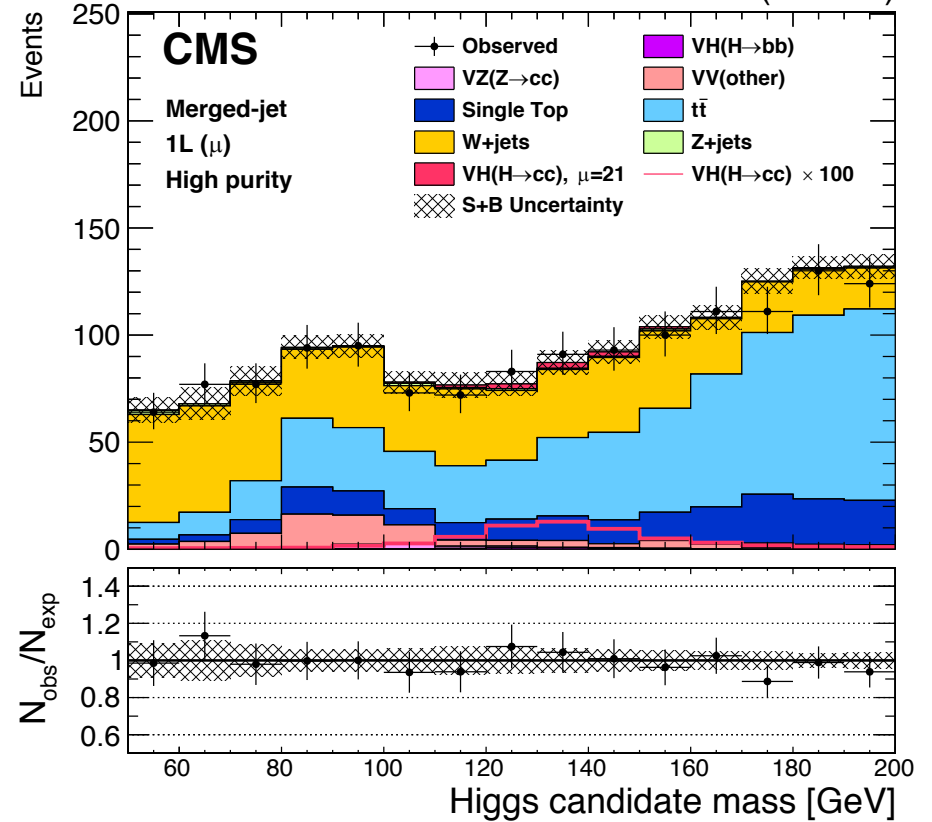
## 2-leptons– $Z(\mu\mu)$

35.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)



## 1-leptons– $W(\mu\nu)$

35.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)



- Both the analysis have been validated measuring  $VZ(Z \rightarrow cc)$ 
  - Same analysis as  $VH(H \rightarrow cc)$  but the  $VZ(Z \rightarrow cc)$  has been considered signal

Topology	$\mu_{VZ(Z \rightarrow cc)}$	Significance Obs. (Exp.)
Resolved-jet	$1.35^{+0.94}_{-0.95}$	1.5 (1.2)
Merged-jet	$0.69^{+0.89}_{-0.75}$	0.9 (1.3)

## Results for $VH(H \rightarrow cc)$ :

95% C.L Exclusion Limit on the signal strength

	Resolved-jet (inclusive)				Merged-jet (inclusive)			
	01	1L	2L	All Ch.	0L	1L	2L	All Ch.
Exp.	84	79	59	<b>38</b>	81	88	90	<b>49</b>
Obs.	66	120	116	<b>75</b>	74	120	76	<b>71</b>

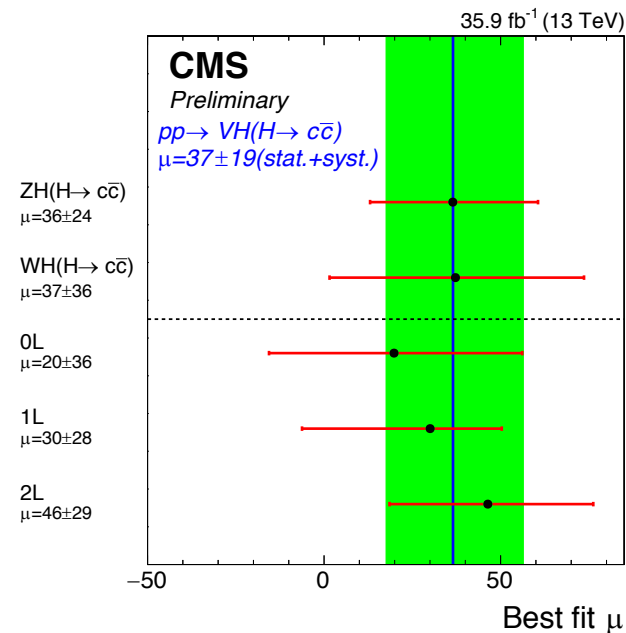
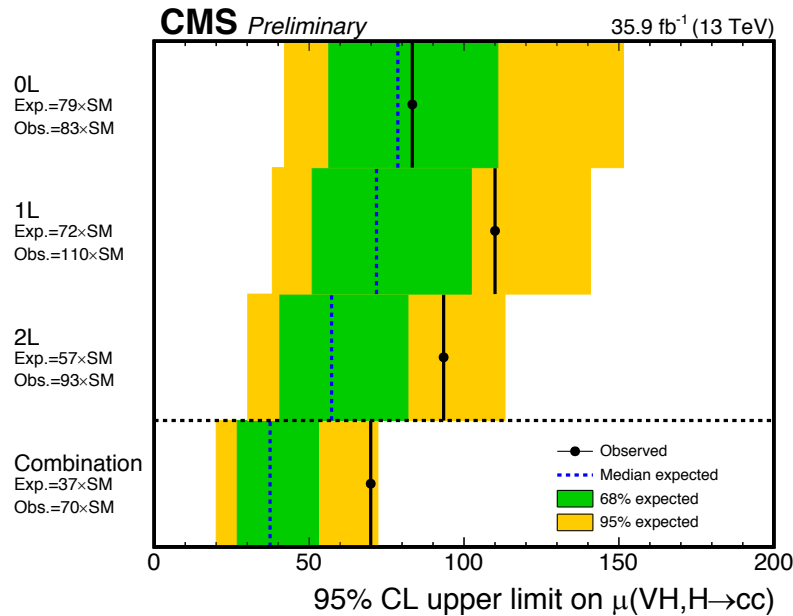
Best-fit signal strength

Topology	$\mu_{VH(H \rightarrow cc)}$
Resolved-jet	$41^{+20}_{-20}$
Merged-jet	$21^{+26}_{-24}$

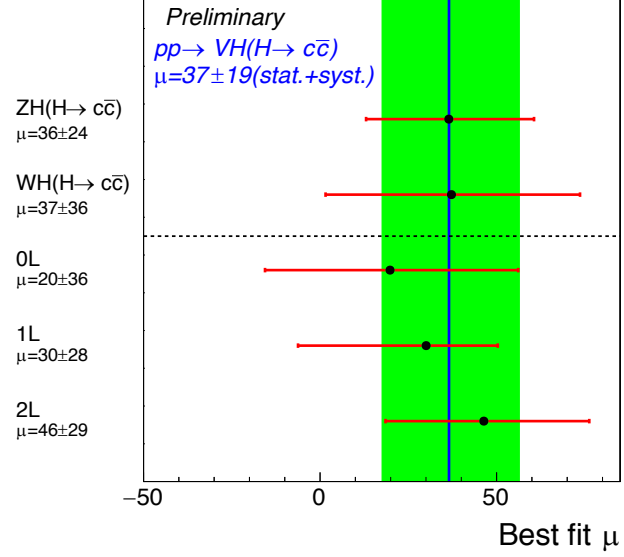
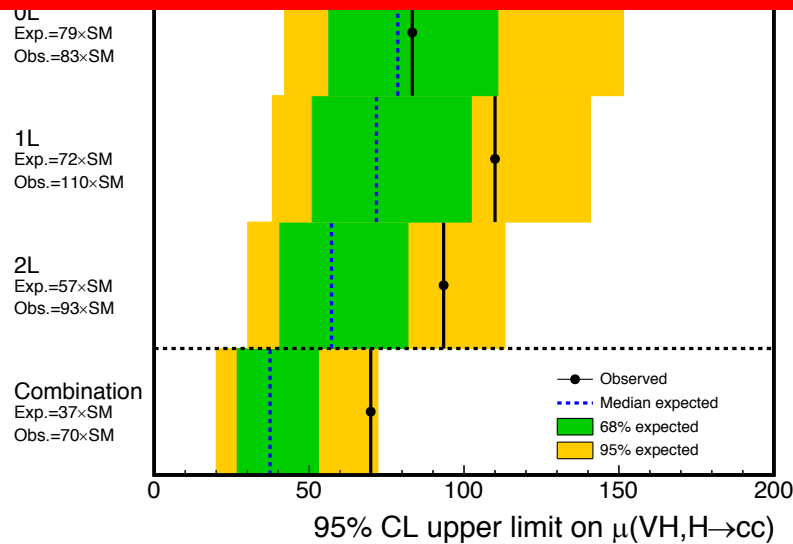
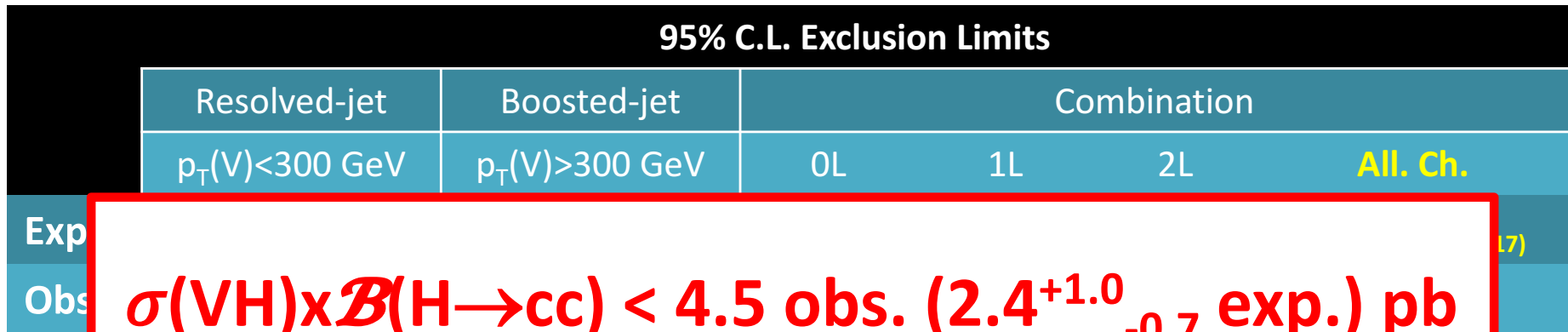
$\mu < 75$  obs. ( $38^{+16}_{-11}$  exp.)     $\mu < 71$  obs. ( $49^{+24}_{-15}$  exp.)

- Combination: resolved-jet:  $p_T(V) < 300$  GeV / merged-jet:  $p_T(V) > 300$  GeV
  - Systematics: correlated, but: c/cc-tagging efficiency & PDF,  $\mu_R$ ,  $\mu_F$  for V+jets
- Validation with VZ(Z→cc):  $\mu_{VZ(Z\rightarrow cc)} = 0.55^{+0.86}_{-0.84}$  with  $0.7\sigma$  obs. ( $1.3\sigma$  exp.)

95% C.L. Exclusion Limits						
	Resolved-jet	Boosted-jet	Combination			
	$p_T(V) < 300$ GeV	$p_T(V) > 300$ GeV	0L	1L	2L	All. Ch.
Exp.	$45^{+18}_{-13}$	$73^{+34}_{-22}$	$79^{+32}_{-22}$	$72^{+31}_{-21}$	$57^{+25}_{-17}$	$37^{+16 (+35)}_{-11 (-17)}$
Obs.	86	75	83	110	93	70



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- **Direct search for  $H \rightarrow cc$  decay (new in CMS!)**
  - Looking to VH production mode with 2016 only dataset
  - Two strategies: Resolved and Boosted, looking to different  $p_T(H)$  regimes
  - Improved results for VH( $H \rightarrow cc$ ): Exp. limits on  $\mu \sim 37$
  - First  $H \rightarrow cc$  analysis in CMS [[HIG-18-031](#)]
- **Main challenge: tagging charm quarks**
  - Two different approaches in boosted and resolved analysis
  - DeepAK15 for boosted and DeepCSV-based likelihoods for resolved
  - A new method to measure the c-tagger SFs from resolved
- **CMS search for  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decay**
  - Most recent CMS results from 2016 data analysis are shown [[HIG-17-019](#)]
  - Results are combined with Run-1, leading to measure  $\mu = 1.0 \pm 1.0$  with an observed (expected) significance of  $0.9\sigma$  ( $1.0\sigma$ )
  - CMS plans for full Run-2: not only upgrade the dataset but also incorporate as many improvements as possible

- **CMS has achieved a  $5.6\sigma$  observation of the  $H\rightarrow bb$  decay, with signal strength  $\mu = 1.04 \pm 0.20$** 
  - Combination of several production channels, dominated by  $VH(H\rightarrow bb)$
  - Result contained in [arXiv:1808.08242](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.08242) and **published in Physical Review Letter**
- **SM assumption on Yukawa coupling to b's is confirmed** within uncertainty ( $\sim 20\%$ )  
**➔ All 3<sup>rd</sup> generation fermion couplings are now observed!**
- Future is exiting and challenging: **reduce systematics in 2017** analysis, exploit full MC statistics @NLO, include 2018 data **➔ increase precision in H-b coupling**
- **DNN plays key role** in the 2017 analysis: **b-Reg, b-tagging, signal extraction**  
**➔ b-Reg and b-tag** in particular largely benefit from DNN
- **Looking forward: prepare for HL-LHC:** This analysis and the techniques developed to maximally increase the significance (b-reg, b-tag, kin.-fit, FSR-rec., DNN) can represent a benchmark for other analysis looking to  $H\rightarrow bb$ , e.g  $HH\rightarrow bbXX$  ( $X=b, \tau$ )

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## ■ What's next?

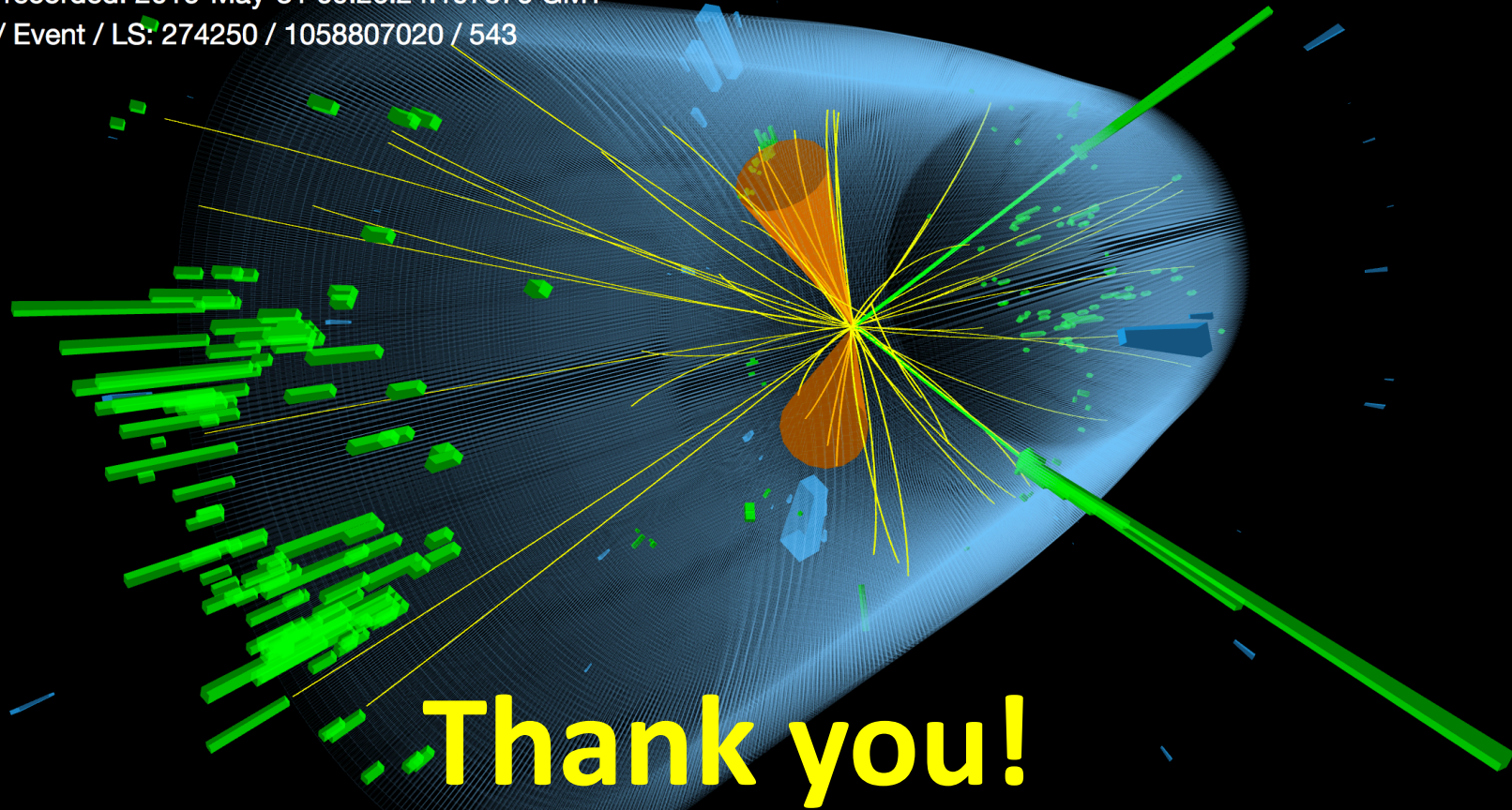
- Energy regression for charm initiated jets started to be investigated + kin-fit
- Possible switch to DeepJet for Ak4 and further optimize DeepAK15
- Analyze the full Run-2 + optimize signal extraction methods
- Very simple projection with  $140\text{fb}^{-1} \Rightarrow 95\% \text{ CL. Exp. limits on } \mu < 19$



# VH( $H \rightarrow cc$ ) candidate - Event Display

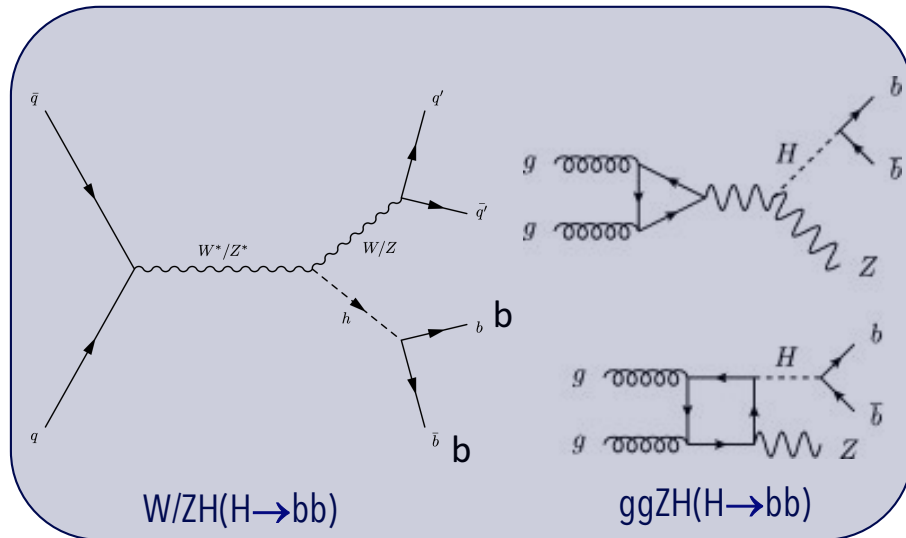


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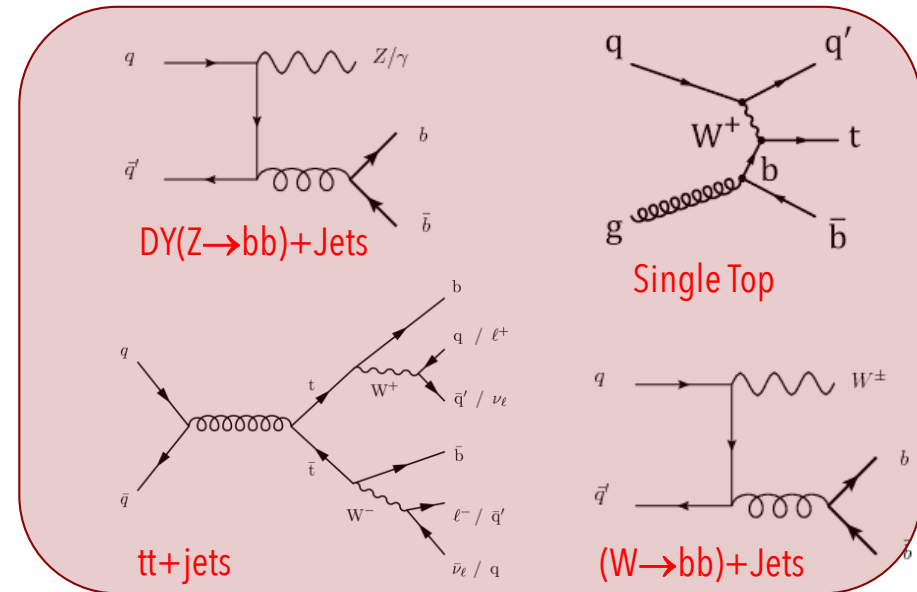


# Back-Up

## SIGNAL PROCESSES



## IRREDUCIBLE BACKGROUNDS



- **3 channels** with 0, 1, and 2 leptons and 2 b-tagged jets
  - To target  $Z(\nu\nu)H(bb)$ ,  $W(\ell\nu)H(bb)$  and  $Z(\ell\ell)H(bb)$  processes
- **Signal region designed to increase S/B**
  - **Large boost** for vector boson
  - **Multivariate analysis** exploiting the most discriminating variables ( $m_{b\bar{b}}$ , b-tag, ...)
- **Control regions to validate backgrounds and constrain normalizations**
- **Signal extraction:** binned maximum likelihood fit of final MVA distribution performed simultaneously in all the channels of all the categories in SR and CRs

## ■ Triggers\*

0-Lepton

$MET > 120 + MHT > 120$

1-Lepton

$\mu\text{-}p_T > 27$

$e\text{-}p_T > 32$

2-Lepton

$\mu\text{-}p_T > 17 + \mu\text{-}p_T > 8$

$e\text{-}p_T > 23 + e\text{-}p_T > 12$

\*thresholds in GeV



## ■ Preselection

- $V\text{-}p_T > 100$  GeV ( $V\text{-}p_T > 50$  GeV for 2-lep)
- 2 Jets with  $p_T > 20$  GeV not overlapping with leptons



## ■ Selection

2-Lepton

**Zee:** two isolated opposite charge electron with  $|\eta| < 2.5$  and  $p_T > 20$  GeV

**Zmm:** two isolated opposite charge muon with  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $p_T > 20$  GeV

1-Lepton

**Wen:** one isolated electron with  $|\eta| < 2.5$  and  $p_T > 30$  GeV

**Wmn:** one isolated, tight-id muon with  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $p_T > 25$  GeV

0-Lepton

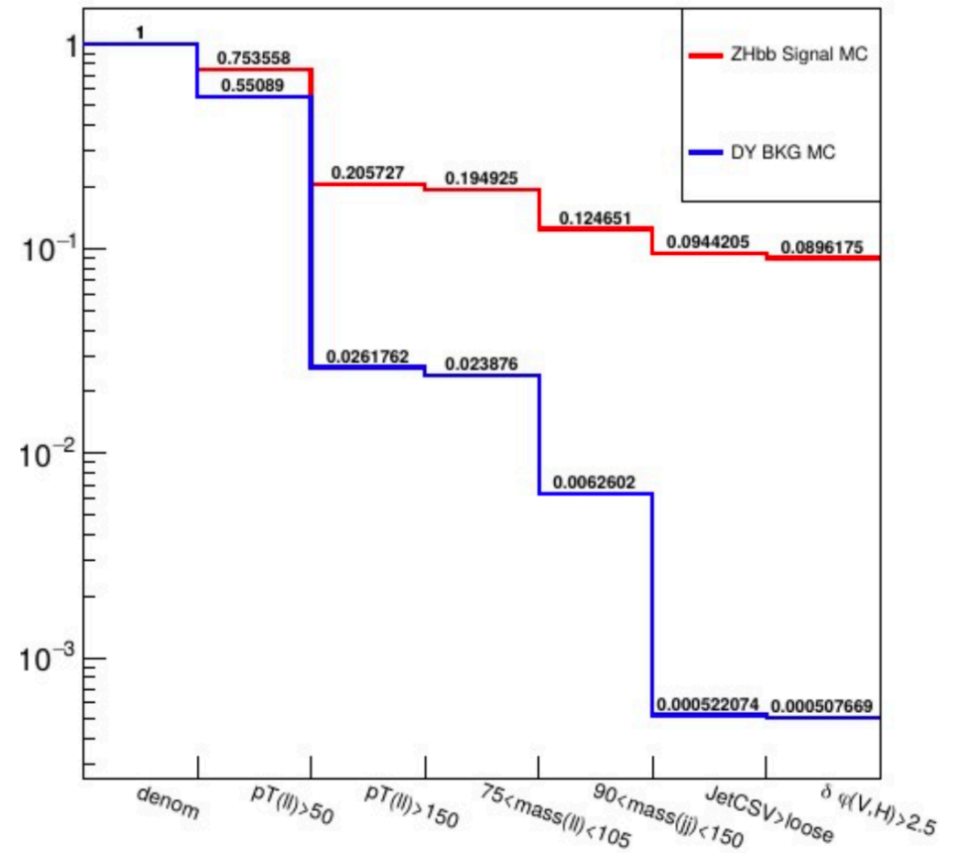
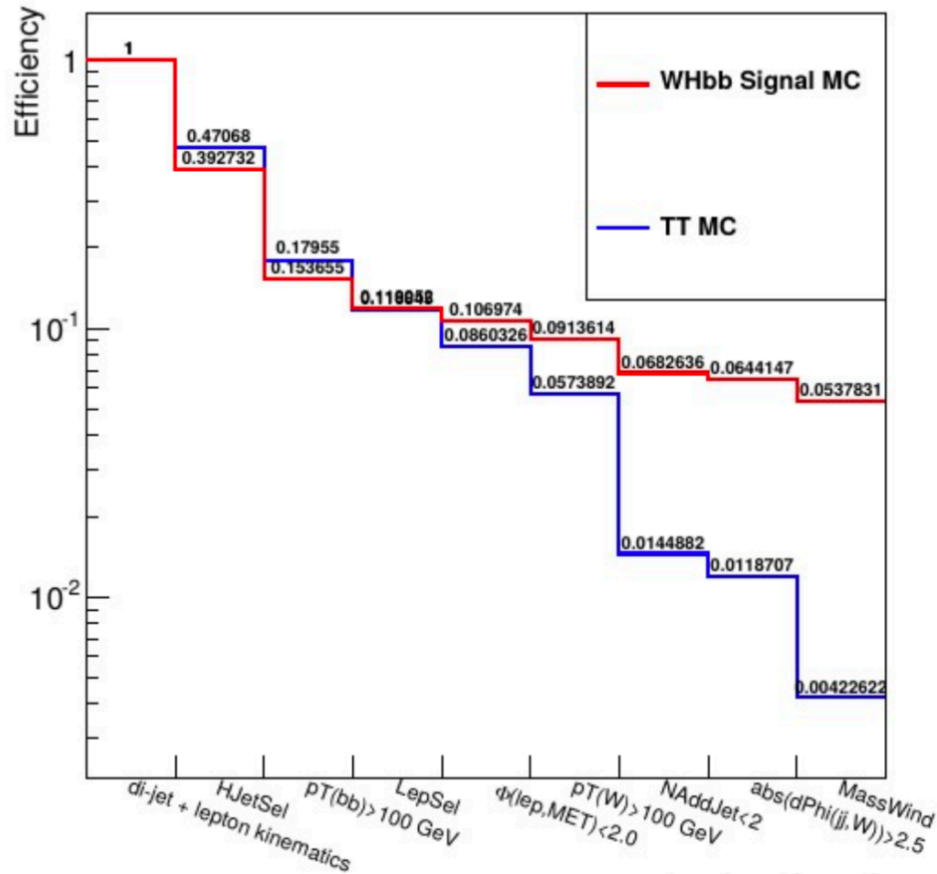
**Znunu:** Missing transverse energy  $> 170$  GeV

**+ 2 pu-filtered jets with  $p_T > 25$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$  fulfilling ID against PU**

Efficiencies:

1-lep 5% signal – 0.5% bkg (TT)

2-lep ~10% signal – 0.005% bkg (DY)





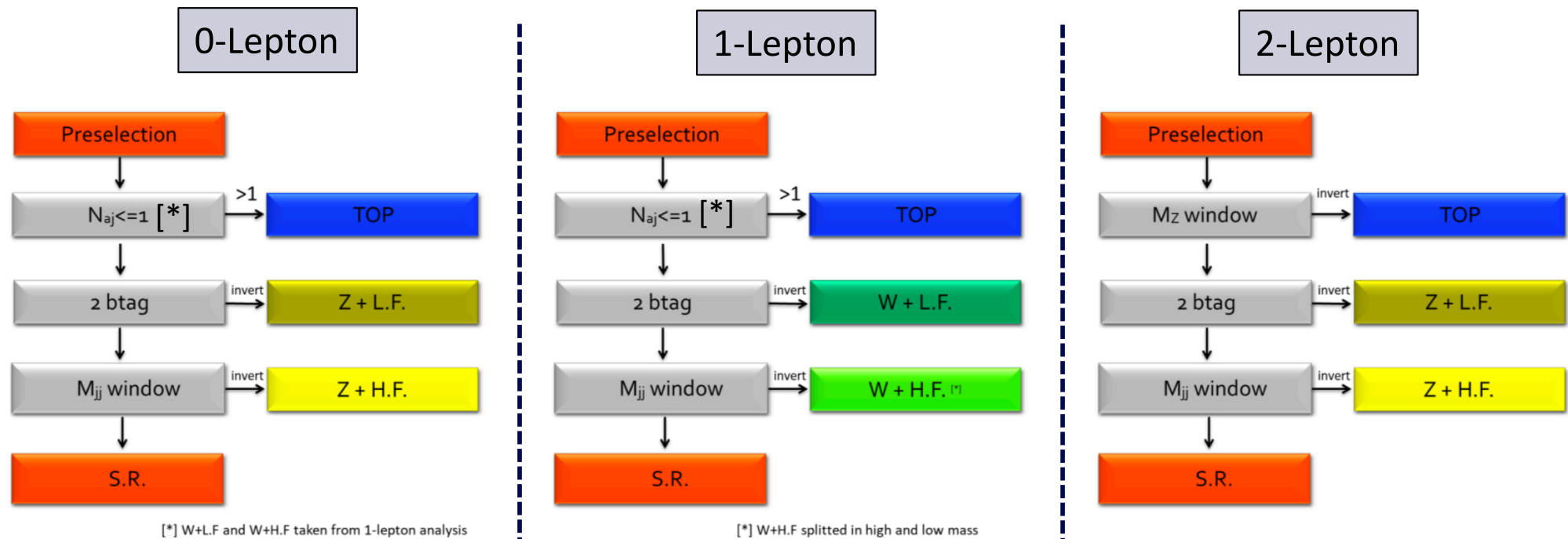
- **Selections (jets, leptons, b-tagging) optimized separately by channel**

- 4 analysis categories:

- 0-lepton:  $p_T(Z) > 170 \text{ GeV}$
    - 1-lepton:  $p_T(W) > 150 \text{ GeV}$
    - 2-lepton High- $Vp_T$ :  $p_T(Z) > 150 \text{ GeV}$
    - 2-lepton Low- $Vp_T$ :  $50 \text{ GeV} < p_T(Z) < 150 \text{ GeV}$

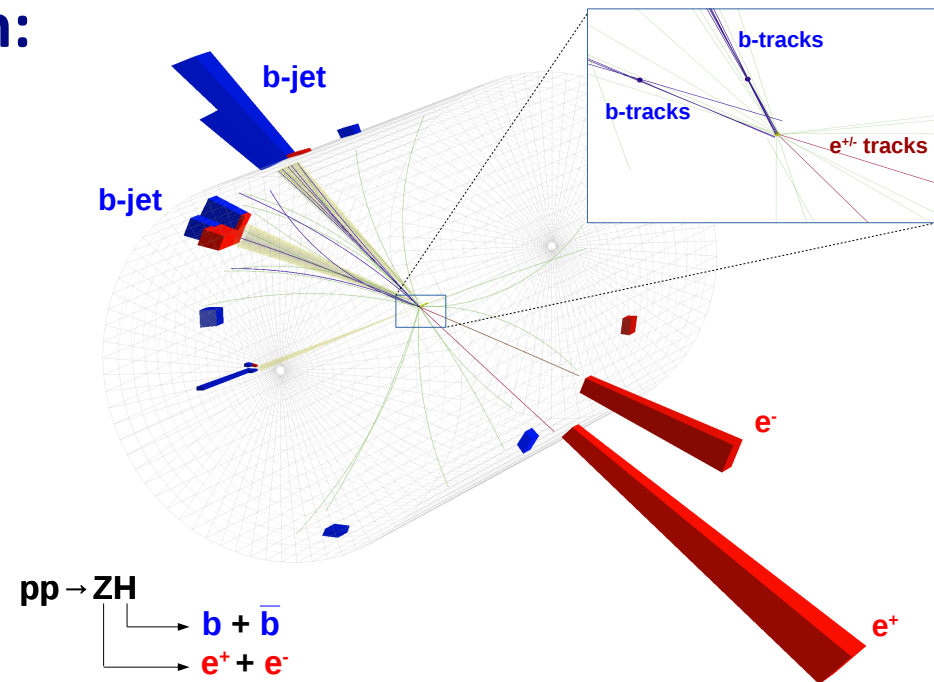
- **Control regions designed to map closely each signal region**

- Inverted selections to **enhance purity in targeted backgrounds: tt, V+light flavor, and V+heavy flavor**



- Improved mass resolution from:

- Better **b-jet** identification
  - ➔ Thanks to improved **b-tagger**
  - ➔ + new pixel detector
- New **b-jet** energy regression
- FSR jet recovery
- Kinematic fit in 2-lepton channel



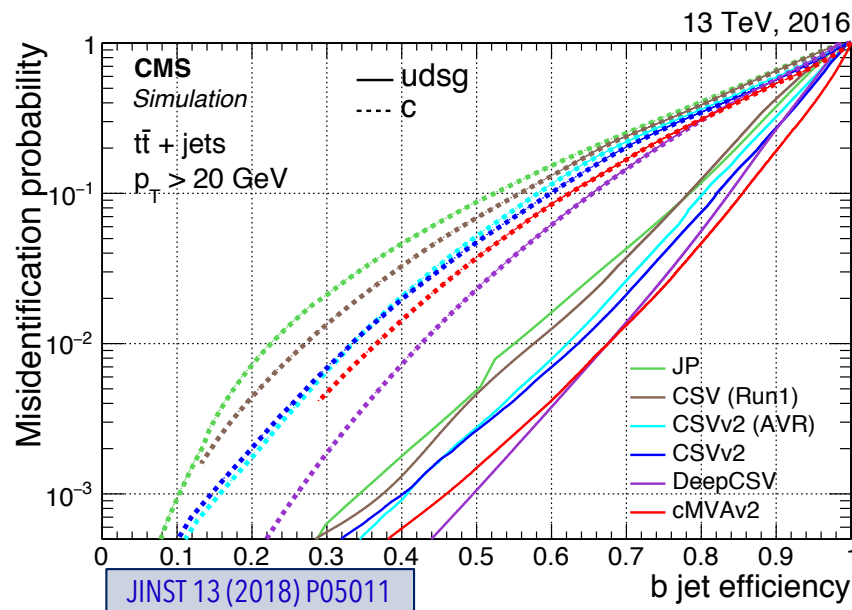
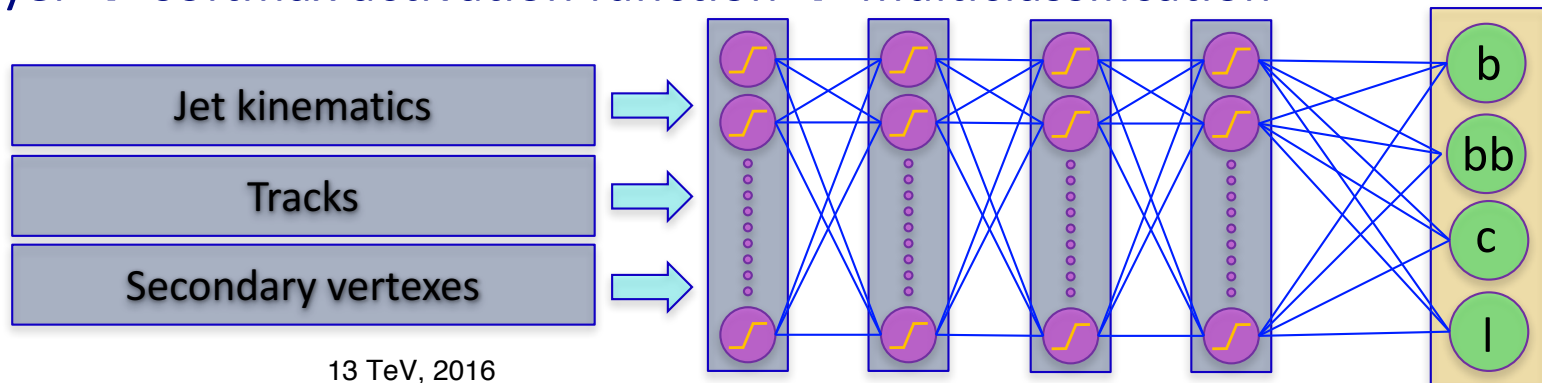
- Use of **deep neural network (DNN)** to discriminate:

- Signal from background, in Signal Regions
- Background components among each other, in Control Regions

- Combined effect: +O(5-10%) in the analysis sensitivity wrt 2016

## DeepCSV: Deep Neural Network architecture

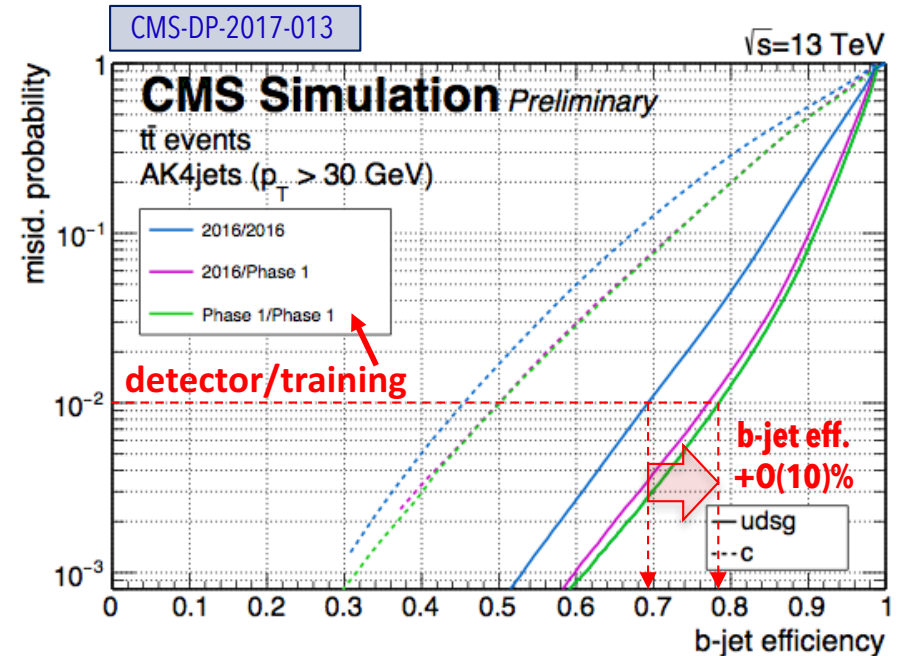
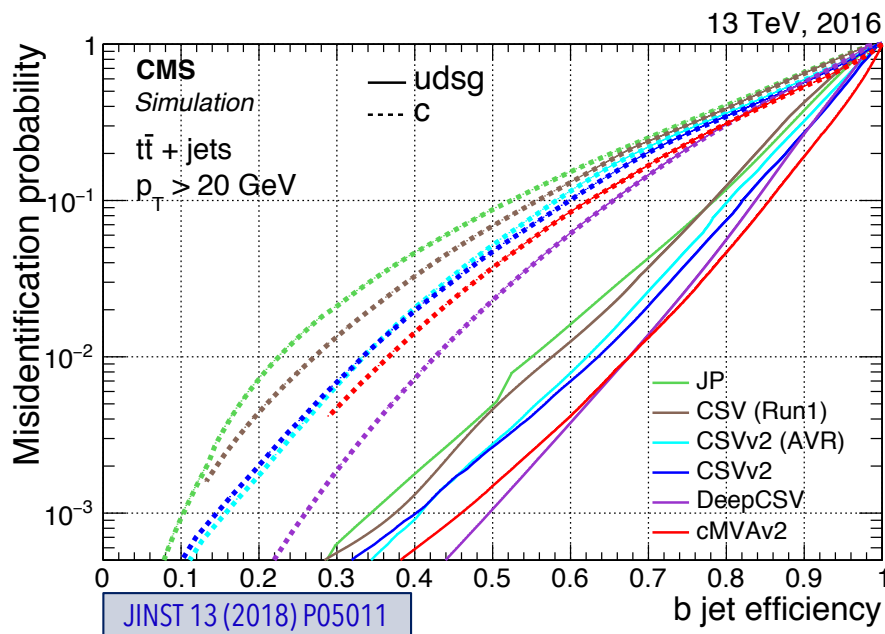
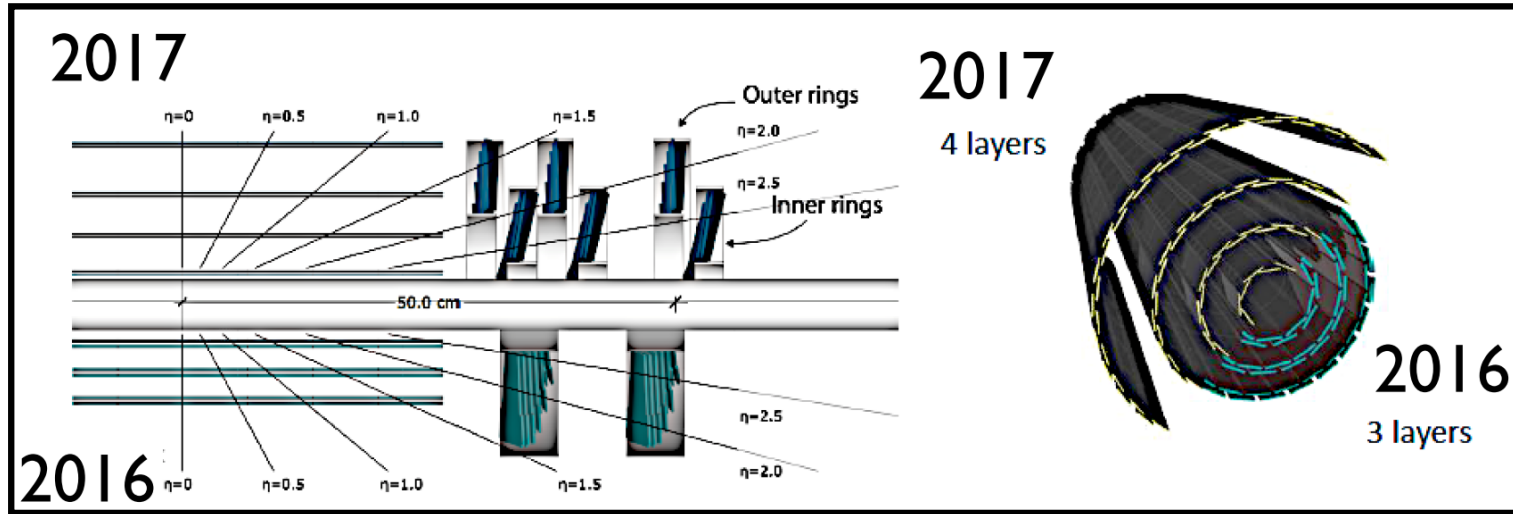
- Input variables go through 4 fully connected layers, each layer has 100 nodes
- ReLu activation function used in each of the hidden nodes
- Output layer → softmax activation function → multiclassification



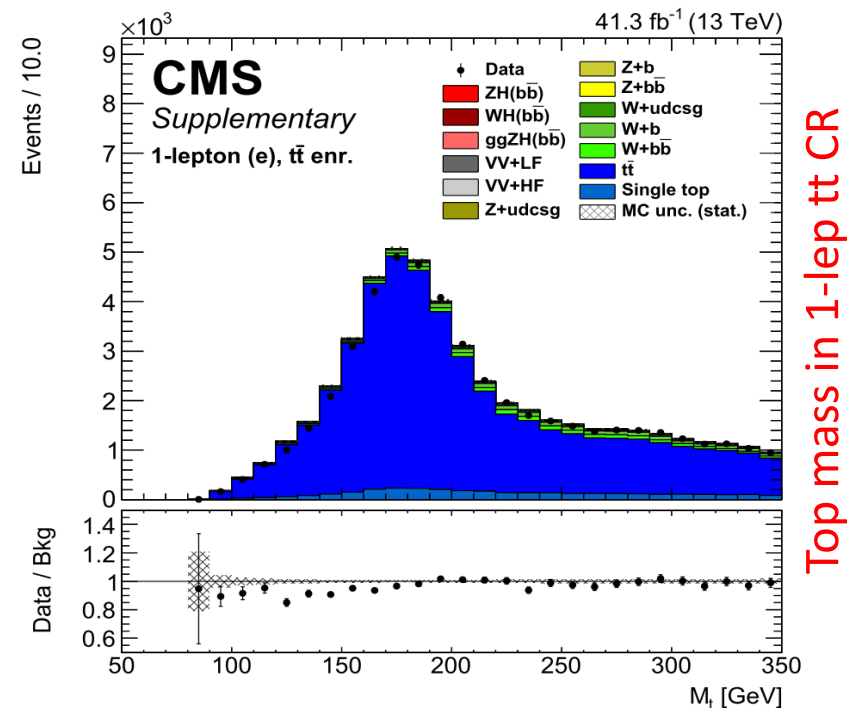
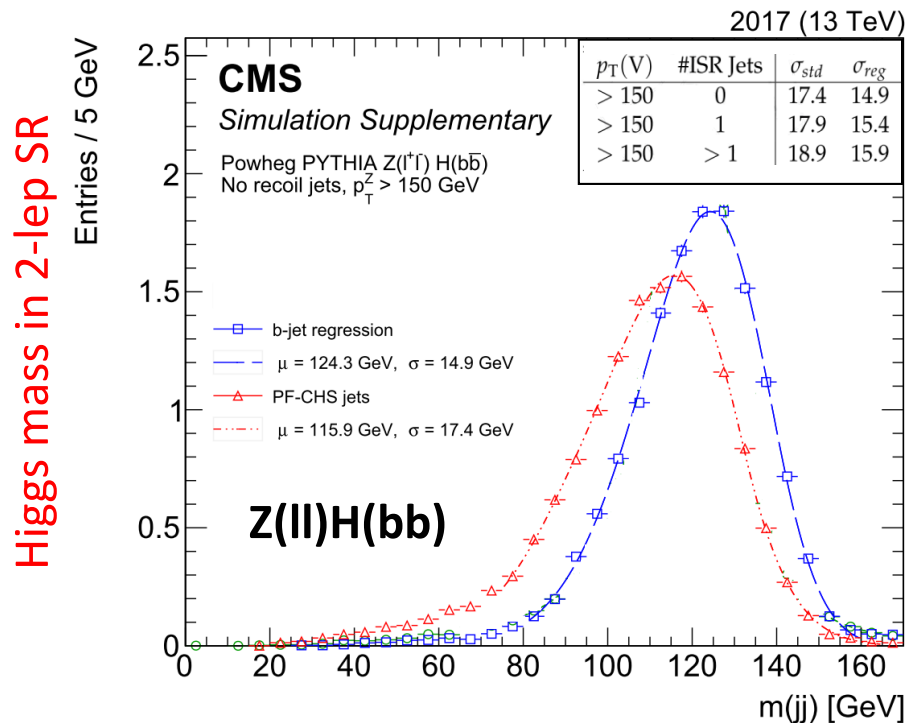
- Three working points commissioned with data
- Available set of data/MC SF for full 2017 run

Tagger	Working point	$\epsilon_b$ (%)	$\epsilon_c$ (%)	$\epsilon_{udsg}$ (%)
Deep combined secondary vertex (DeepCSV) $P(b) + P(bb)$	DeepCSV L	84	41	11
	DeepCSV M	68	12	1.1
	DeepCSV T	50	2.4	0.1

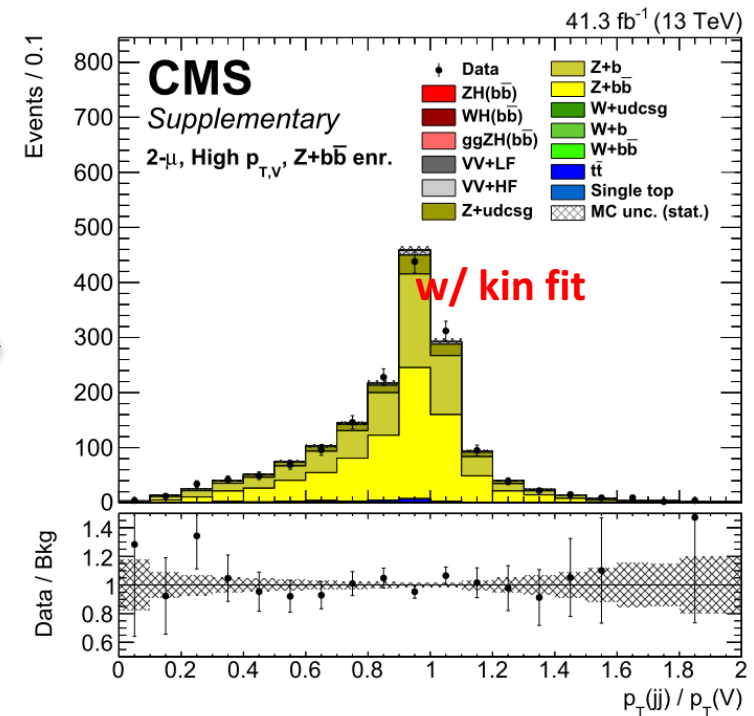
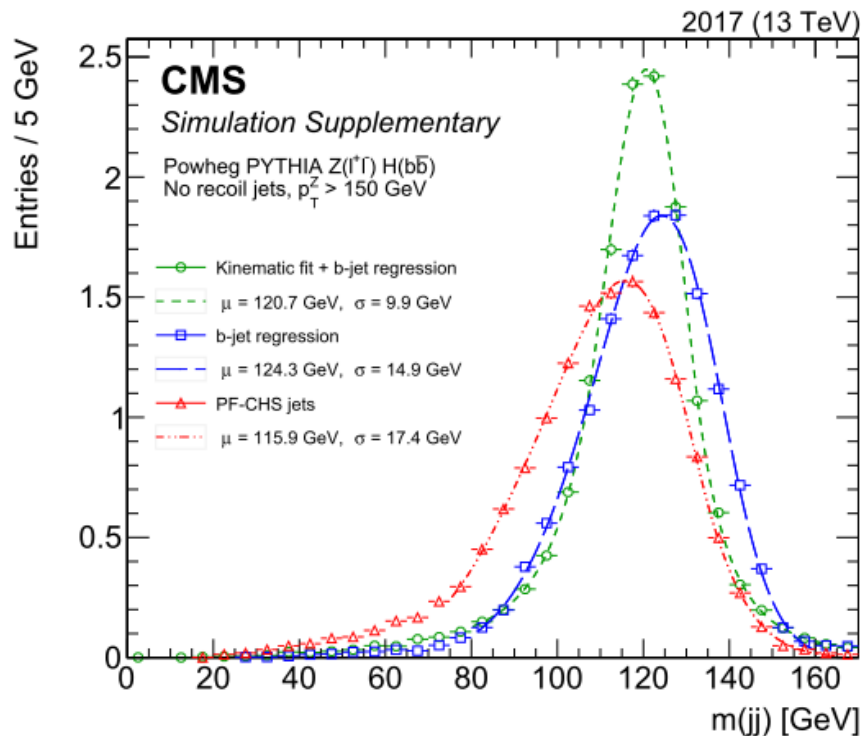
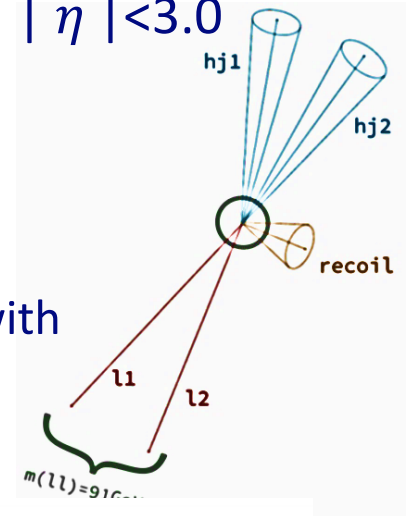
## Upgraded pixel detector



- **Regression mainly recovers missing energy in the jet due to neutrino**
  - Switch from Boosted Decision Trees to DNN algorithm
- **Extended set of input variables** now including lepton flavor ( $\mu/e$ ), jet mass and energy fractions in DR rings
- **Significant  $m_{bb}$  resolution improvement without mass sculpting**
  - $\sigma/\text{peak}$  down to 11.9% in 2017 wrt 13.2% in 2016  $\rightarrow$  + O(10%)
  - dedicated calibration of b-jets with Z+b events + measure JER

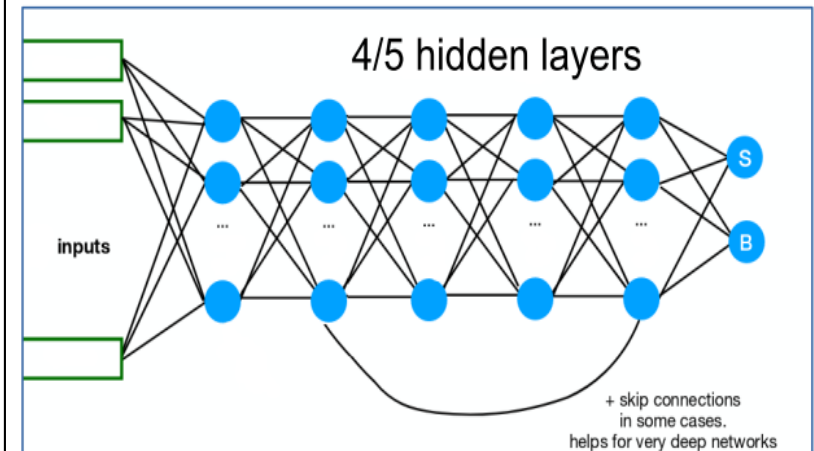


- **FSR-recovery:** additional jets in  $dR < 0.8$  cone with  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|\eta| < 3.0$
- **No intrinsic missing energy in the  $Z(\ell\ell)H(bb)$  process**
  - Constrain di-lepton system to Z mass
  - **Balance the  $\ell\ell+bb+(\text{jet})$  system in the  $(p_x, p_y)$  plane**
  - lepton and jet  $p_T$ 's adjust within their experimental uncertainties with the constraint that the MET is 0 within resolution
  - Improve  $m(bb)$  resolution up to 36%

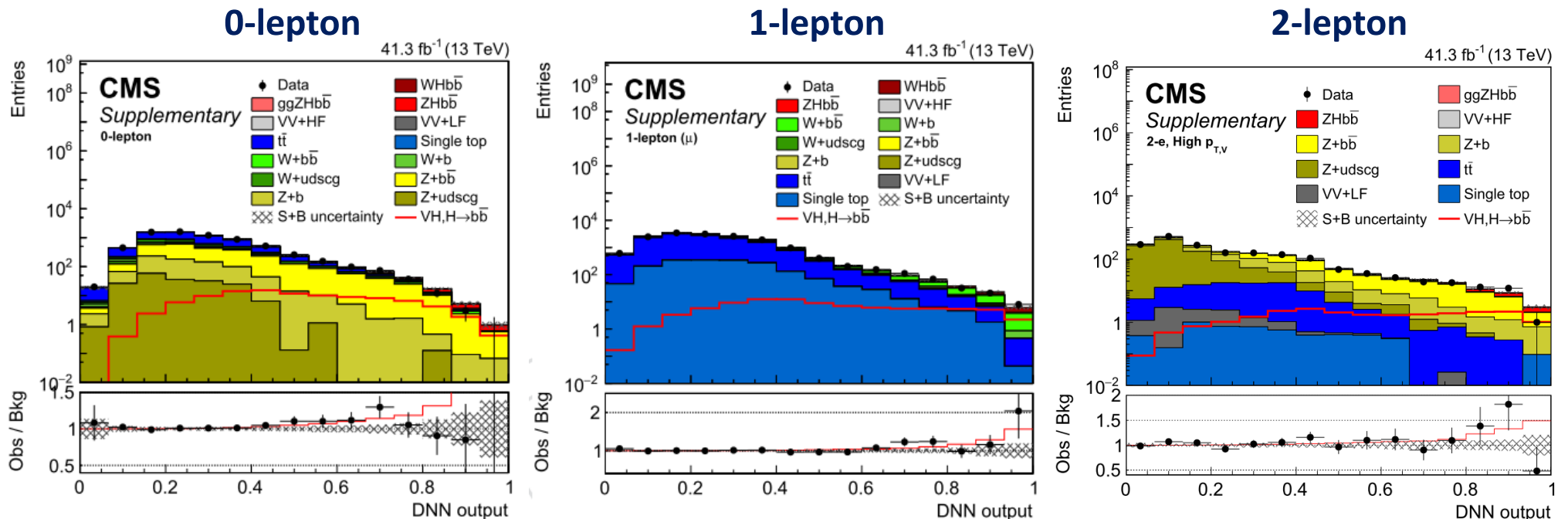


- To increase sensitivity, use **DNN discriminator to extract signal**
  - DNN outperforms BDT due to network depth
    - Same input variables as 2016 (b-jet properties, di-jet kinematics, event topology)
  - Trained separately in each channel to discriminate VH(bb) from the weighted sum of all backgrounds
  - Parameters optimized to maximize the sensitivity in each channel

Variable	Description	0-lepton	1-lepton	2-lepton
$M(jj)$	dijet invariant mass	✓	✓	✓
$p_T(jj)$	dijet transverse momentum	✓	✓	✓
$p_T(j_1), p_T(j_2)$	transverse momentum of each jet	✓		✓
$\Delta R(jj)$	distance in $\eta-\phi$ between jets			✓
$\Delta\eta(jj)$	difference in $\eta$ between jets	✓		✓
$\Delta\phi(jj)$	azimuthal angle between jets	✓		
$p_T(V)$	vector boson transverse momentum		✓	✓
$\Delta\phi(V, H)$	azimuthal angle between vector boson and dijet directions	✓	✓	✓
$p_T(jj) / p_T(V)$	$p_T$ ratio between dijet and vector boson			✓
$M_Z$	reconstructed Z boson mass			✓
$btag_{max}$	value of the b-tagging discriminant (DeepCSV) for the jet with highest score	✓		✓
$btag_{min}$	value of the b-tagging discriminant (DeepCSV) for the jet with second highest score	✓	✓	✓
$btag_{add}$	value of b-tagging discriminant for the additional jet with highest value	✓		
$E_T^{miss}$	missing transverse momentum	✓	✓	✓
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{miss}, j)$	azimuthal angle between $E_T^{miss}$ and closest jet with $p_T > 30$ GeV	✓		
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{miss}, \ell)$	azimuthal angle between $E_T^{miss}$ and lepton		✓	
$m_T$	mass of lepton $\vec{p}_T + E_T^{miss}$		✓	
$M_t$	reconstructed top quark mass		✓	
$N_{aj}$	number of additional jets		✓	✓
$p_T(add)$	transverse momentum of leading additional jet	✓		
SA5	number of soft-track jets with $p_T > 5$ GeV	✓	✓	✓

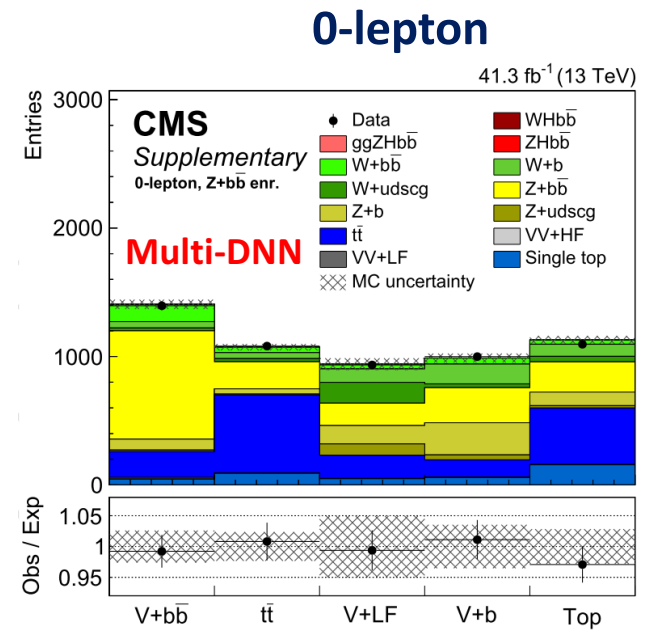
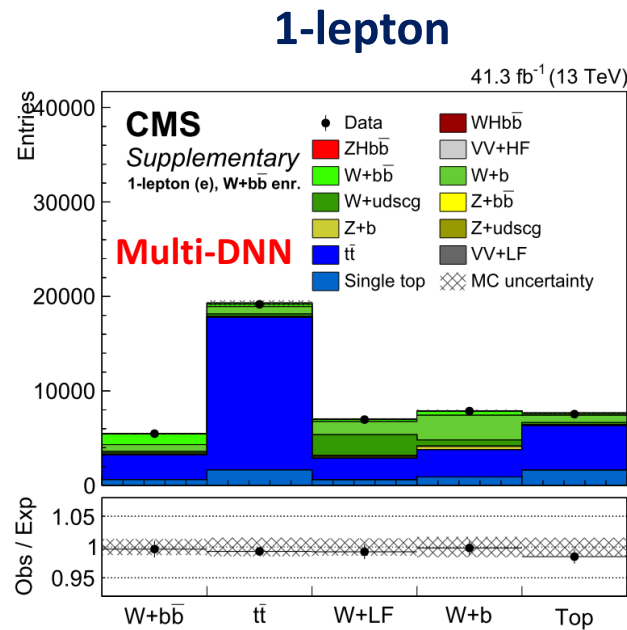
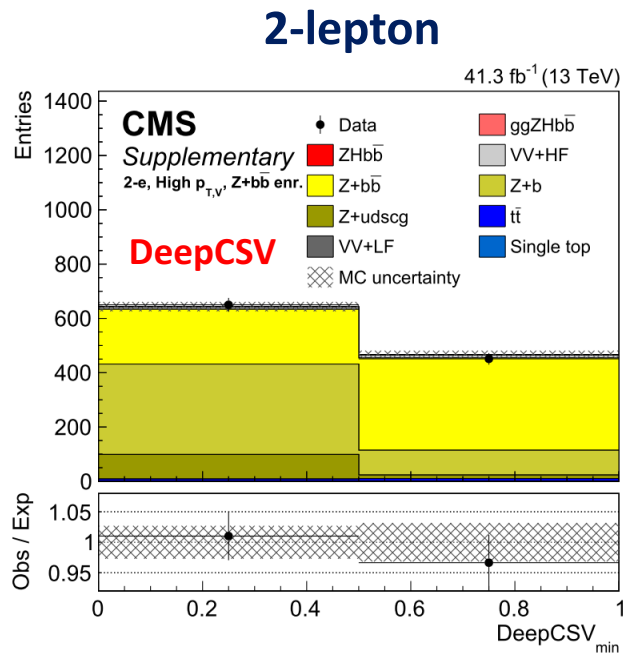


- **DNN discriminator used to extract signal**
  - **Input variables: b-jet properties, di-jet kinematics, event topology, carefully validated through data/MC comparison**
  - **Trained separately in each channel**
  - **Performance optimization with blind analysis**





- Reminder: leading systematic uncertainty from normalization of  $V+(b)b$
- **2-lepton channel control region very pure**
  - Fit **b-tag** shape (DeepCSV) to discriminate processes
- **0- and 1-lepton channel control regions less pure**
  - Fit **DNN multi-categorizer** to distinguish among background components
    - Use same input variables as Signal vs Background discriminator



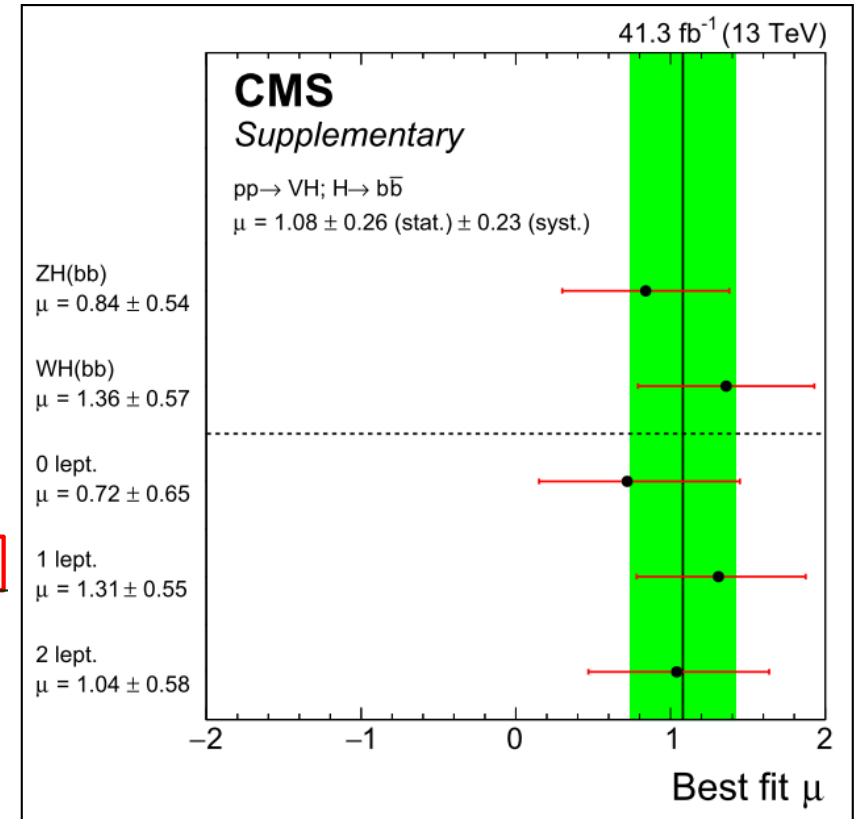
- MC shapes floated within constraints from systematic uncertainties through nuisance parameters in the final fit
- MC normalization truly float → fitted SFs in agreement with those measured in 2016 analysis

Process	Z( $\nu\nu$ )H	W( $\ell\nu$ )H	Z( $\ell\ell$ )H low- $p_T$	Z( $\ell\ell$ )H high- $p_T$
W + udscg	$1.04 \pm 0.07$	$1.04 \pm 0.07$	–	–
W + b	$2.09 \pm 0.16$	$2.09 \pm 0.16$	–	–
W + $b\bar{b}$	$1.74 \pm 0.21$	$1.74 \pm 0.21$	–	–
Z + udscg	$0.95 \pm 0.09$	–	$0.89 \pm 0.06$	$0.81 \pm 0.05$
Z + b	$1.02 \pm 0.17$	–	$0.94 \pm 0.12$	$1.17 \pm 0.10$
Z + $b\bar{b}$	$1.20 \pm 0.11$	–	$0.81 \pm 0.07$	$0.88 \pm 0.08$
$t\bar{t}$	$0.99 \pm 0.07$	$0.93 \pm 0.07$	$0.89 \pm 0.07$	$0.91 \pm 0.07$

- Total uncertainty on  $\mu \sim 34\%$**
- Major sources of systematic uncertainties:
  - background normalization
  - background modeling
  - b-tagging
  - MC sample size

Uncertainty source	$\Delta\mu$	
Statistical	+0.26	-0.26
Normalization of backgrounds	+0.12	-0.12
Experimental	+0.16	-0.15
b-tagging efficiency and misid	+0.09	-0.08
V+jets modeling	+0.08	-0.07
Jet energy scale and resolution	+0.05	-0.05
Lepton identification	+0.02	-0.01
Luminosity	+0.03	-0.03
Other experimental uncertainties	+0.06	-0.05
MC sample size	+0.12	-0.12
Theory	+0.11	-0.09
Background modeling	+0.08	-0.08
Signal modeling	+0.07	-0.04
Total	+0.35	-0.33

Data set	Significance ( $\sigma$ )		Signal strength
	Expected	Observed	
2017			
0-lepton	1.9	1.3	$0.73 \pm 0.65$
1-lepton	1.8	2.6	$1.32 \pm 0.55$
2-lepton	1.9	1.9	$1.05 \pm 0.59$
<b>Combined</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b><math>1.08 \pm 0.34</math></b>
2016	2.8	3.3	$1.2 \pm 0.4$



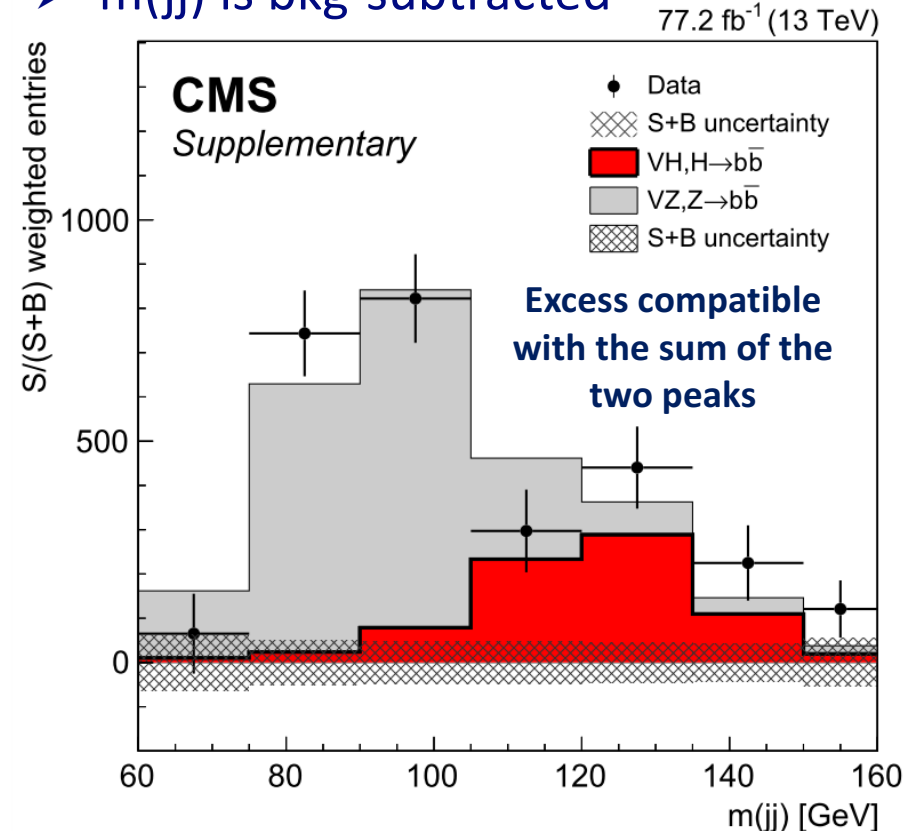
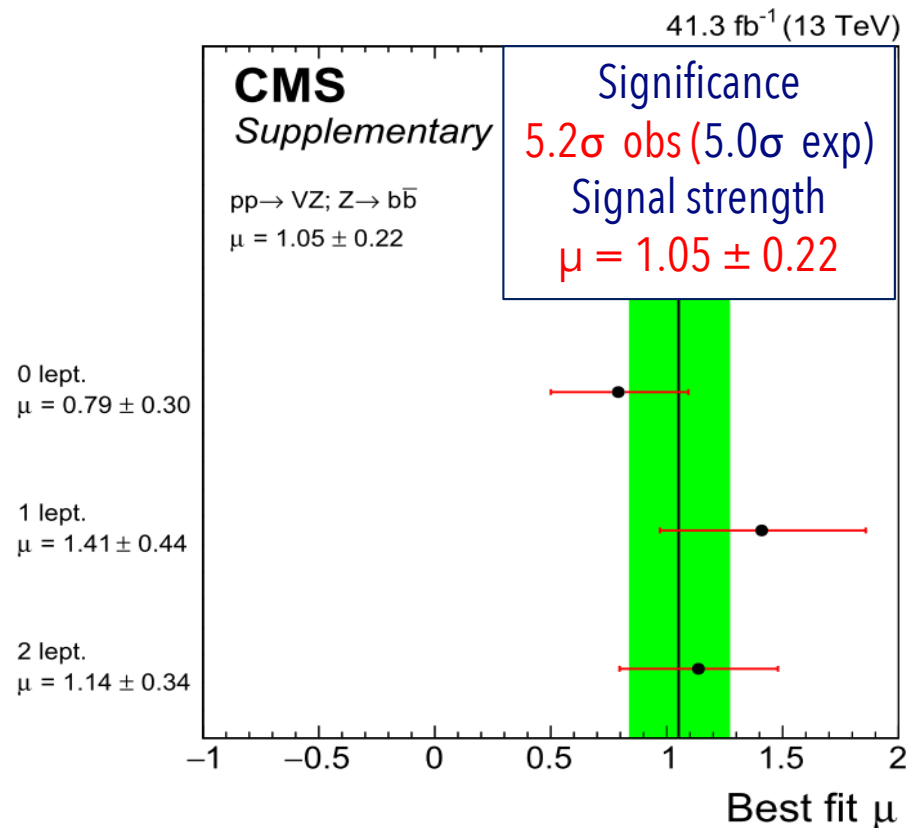
## Standalone evidence for H→bb with 2017 data

- Observed significance  $3.3\sigma$ , signal strength  $1.08 \pm 0.34$
- O(5-10%) increase in analysis sensitivity wrt 2016, depending on channel
- Signal strengths extracted from each channels are compatible

- **VZ analysis** using  $Z(b\bar{b})$  standard candle
- **Same “technology”** as used for  $VH(b\bar{b})$ 
  - Same DNN inputs and CRs
  - $VH(b\bar{b})$  normalized to SM
  - Larger  $m(b\bar{b})$  window in SR

- **Fit to the  $m(jj)$ :**

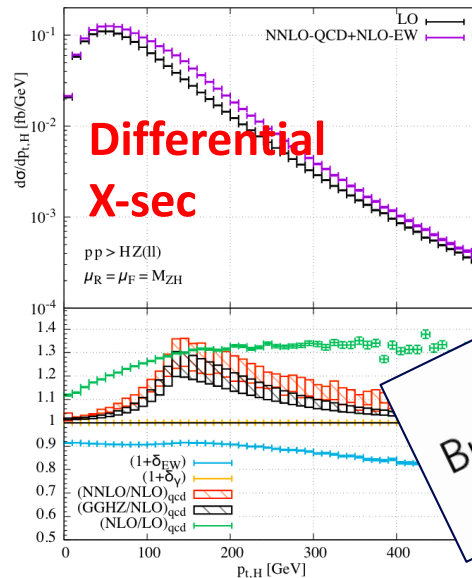
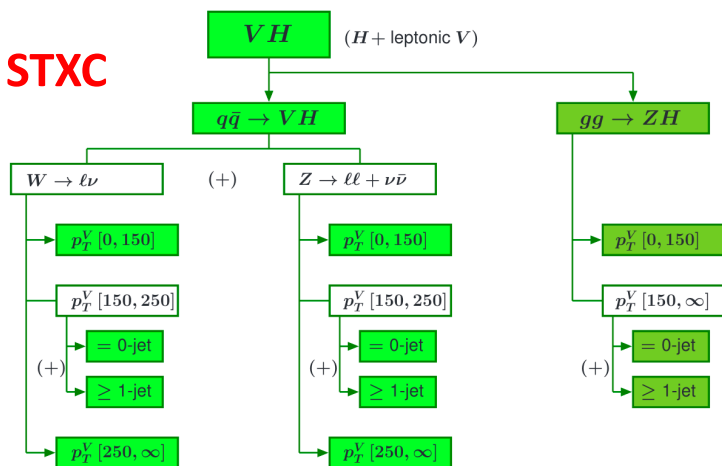
- Lower sensitivity
- direct visualization of the signal
- $m(jj)$  distributions combined and weighted by  $S/(S + B)$
- $m(jj)$  is bkg-subtracted



Experimental	+0.16	-0.15
b-tagging efficiency and misid	+0.09	-0.08
V+jets modeling	+0.08	-0.07
Jet energy scale and resolution	+0.05	-0.05
Lepton identification	+0.02	-0.01
Luminosity	+0.03	-0.03
Other experimental uncertainties	+0.06	-0.05
MC sample size	+0.12	-0.12
Theory	+0.11	-0.09
Background modeling	+0.08	-0.08
Signal modeling	+0.07	-0.04



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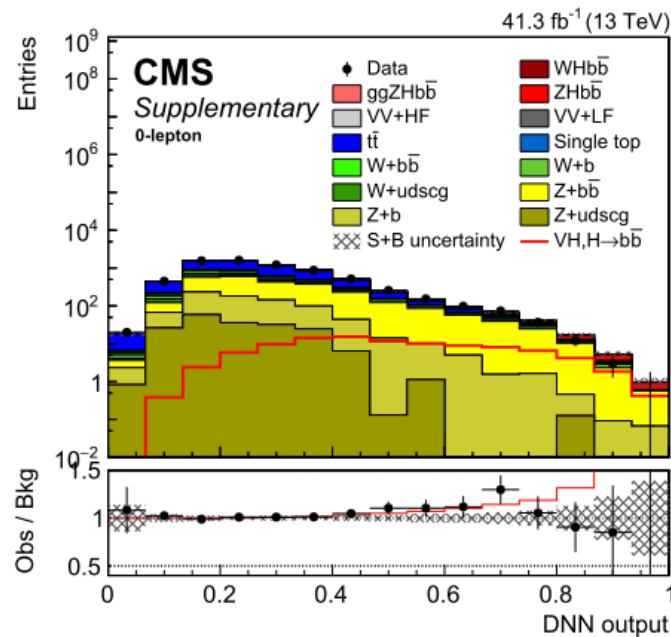
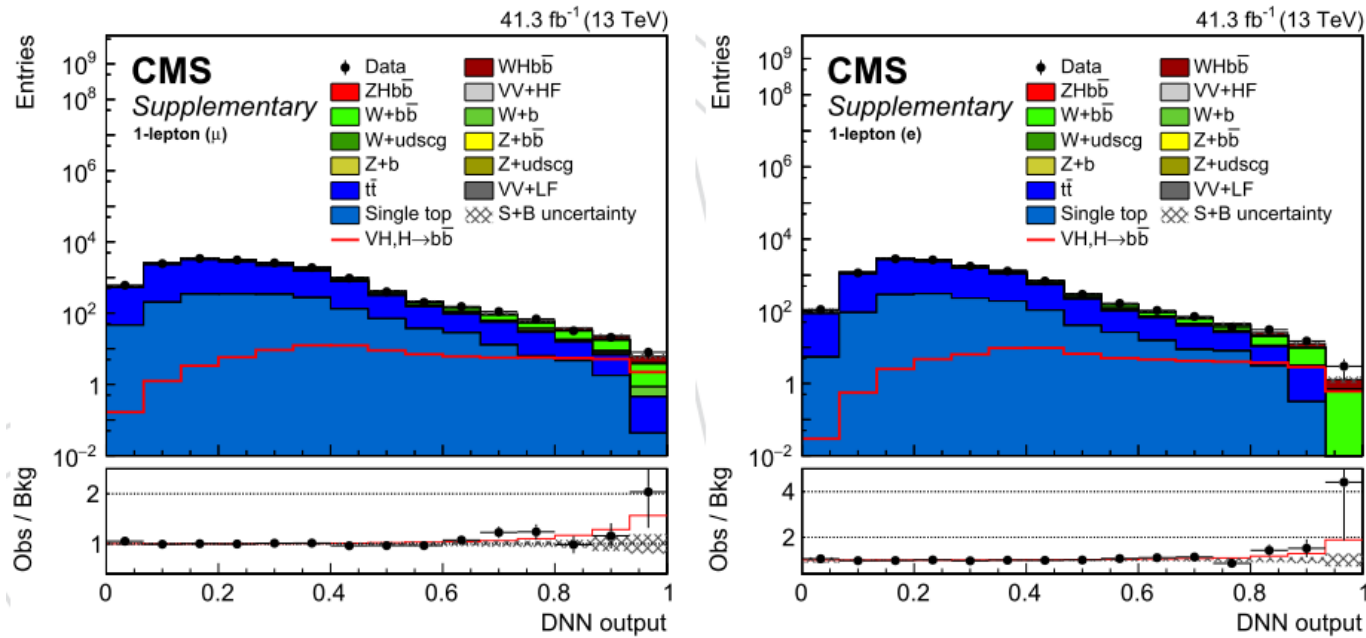


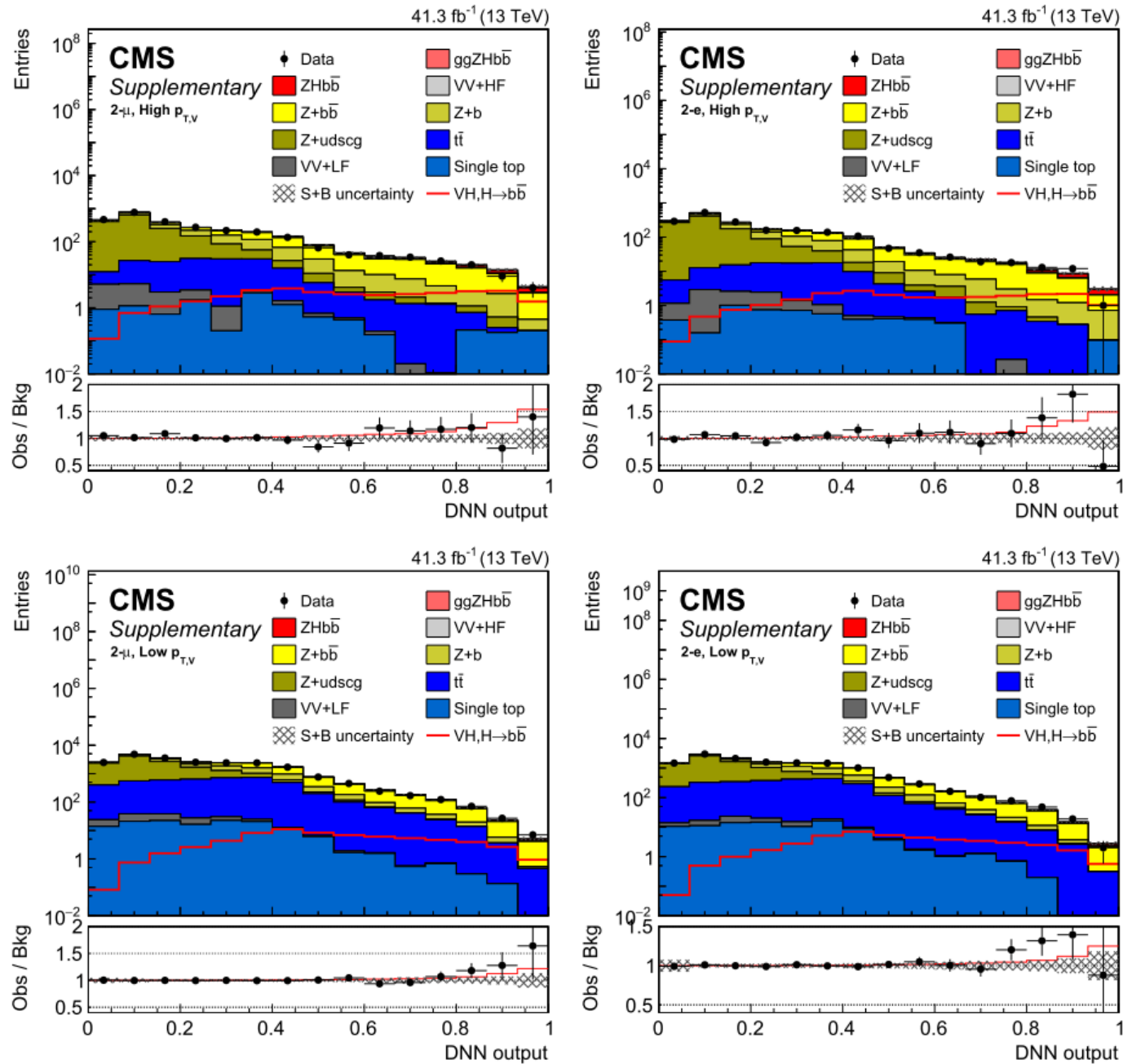
Process	0-lepton	1-lepton	2-lepton low- $p_T(V)$	2-lepton high- $p_T(V)$
W0b	$1.14 \pm 0.07$	$1.14 \pm 0.07$	—	—
W1b	$1.66 \pm 0.12$	$1.66 \pm 0.12$	—	—
W2b	$1.49 \pm 0.12$	$1.49 \pm 0.12$	—	—
Z0b	$1.03 \pm 0.07$	—	$1.01 \pm 0.06$	$1.02 \pm 0.06$
Z1b	$1.28 \pm 0.17$	—	$0.98 \pm 0.06$	$1.02 \pm 0.11$
Z2b	$1.61 \pm 0.10$	—	$1.09 \pm 0.07$	$1.28 \pm 0.09$
$t\bar{t}$	$0.78 \pm 0.05$	$0.91 \pm 0.03$	$1.00 \pm 0.03$	$1.04 \pm 0.05$

**2016**

Process	Z( $\nu\nu$ )H	W( $l\nu$ )H	Z( $ll$ )H low- $p_T$	Z( $ll$ )H high- $p_T$
W + udscg	$1.04 \pm 0.07$	$1.04 \pm 0.07$	—	—
W + b	$2.09 \pm 0.16$	$2.09 \pm 0.16$	—	—
W + $b\bar{b}$	$1.74 \pm 0.21$	$1.74 \pm 0.21$	—	—
Z + udscg	$0.95 \pm 0.09$	—	$0.89 \pm 0.06$	$0.81 \pm 0.05$
Z + b	$1.02 \pm 0.17$	—	$0.94 \pm 0.12$	$1.17 \pm 0.10$
Z + $b\bar{b}$	$1.20 \pm 0.11$	—	$0.81 \pm 0.07$	$0.88 \pm 0.08$
$t\bar{t}$	$0.99 \pm 0.07$	$0.93 \pm 0.07$	$0.89 \pm 0.07$	$0.91 \pm 0.07$

**2017**



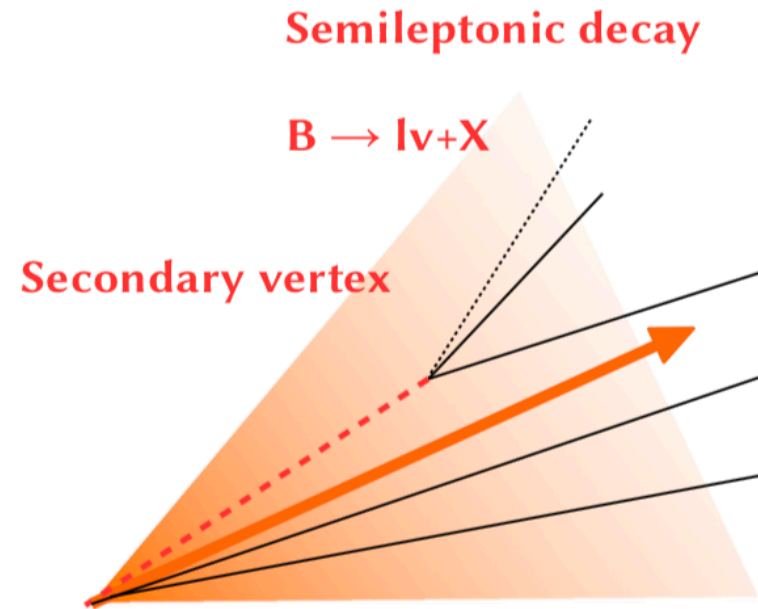




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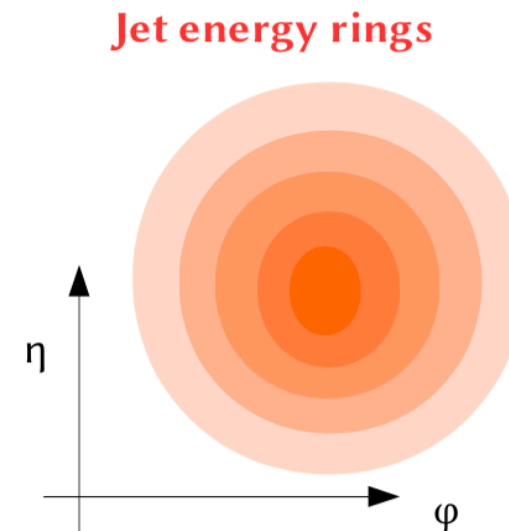
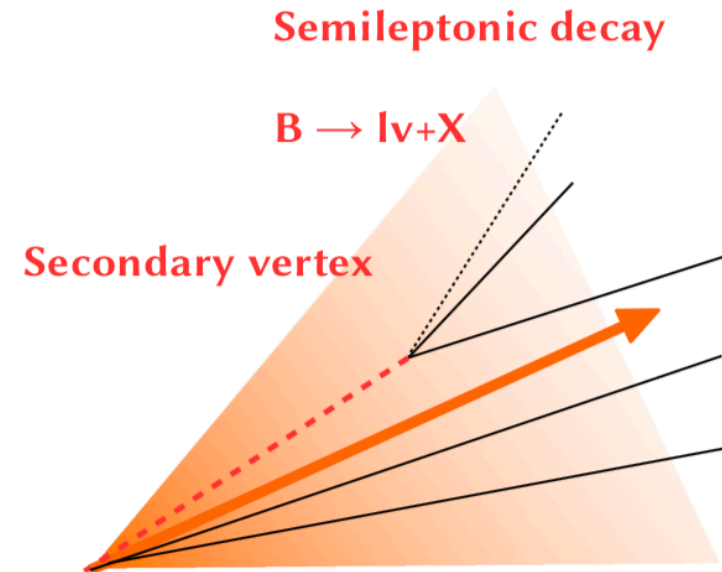
## Optimized set of inputs

- Jet kinematics
  - jet  $p_T$ ,  $\eta$ , and transverse mass
- PU information
  - nPVs or rho
- Jet energy fractions
- Jet leading track and soft lepton track
  - $p_T$  component and distance relative to the jet axis of the soft-lepton candidate
- Secondary vertex
  - $p_T$ , mass and # of charged tracks associated to the secondary vertex, decay length and uncertainty of the secondary vertex



## What's new?

- **Optimized set of inputs**
  - Jet kinematics → **uncorrected 4-vector**
  - Pile-Up information
  - Jet energy fractions
  - Leading track, soft lepton track, SV
  
- **New inputs :**
  - **Jet shape:** energy fractions in rings of  $dR$ , energy spread ( $p_T D$ )
  - Multiplicity of jet constituents
  - Lepton ID ( $e/\mu$ )
  - Jet  $p_T$  rel wrt to lepton, jet mass

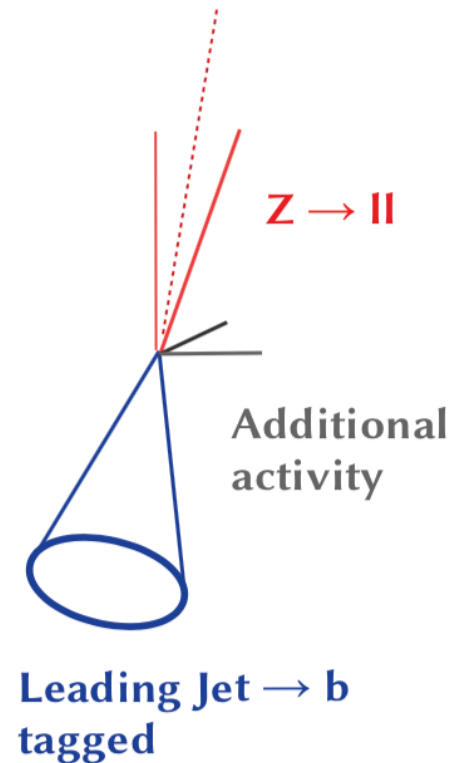


## Validation on data

- $p_T^{\text{reco}}$  i.e. the TARGET is a “*MC variable*”
  - L123 jet energy corrections are used, but no resolution scale factor is applied
  - Resolution to be compared in MC and data after the regression, as a function of  $p_T$ ,  $\eta$ , ...
- Aim of this effort is reducing the JES uncertainty
  - B-jets are better measured thanks to the regression
  - We may be able to reduce the JER scale factor and the uncertainty (not in 2017 data)

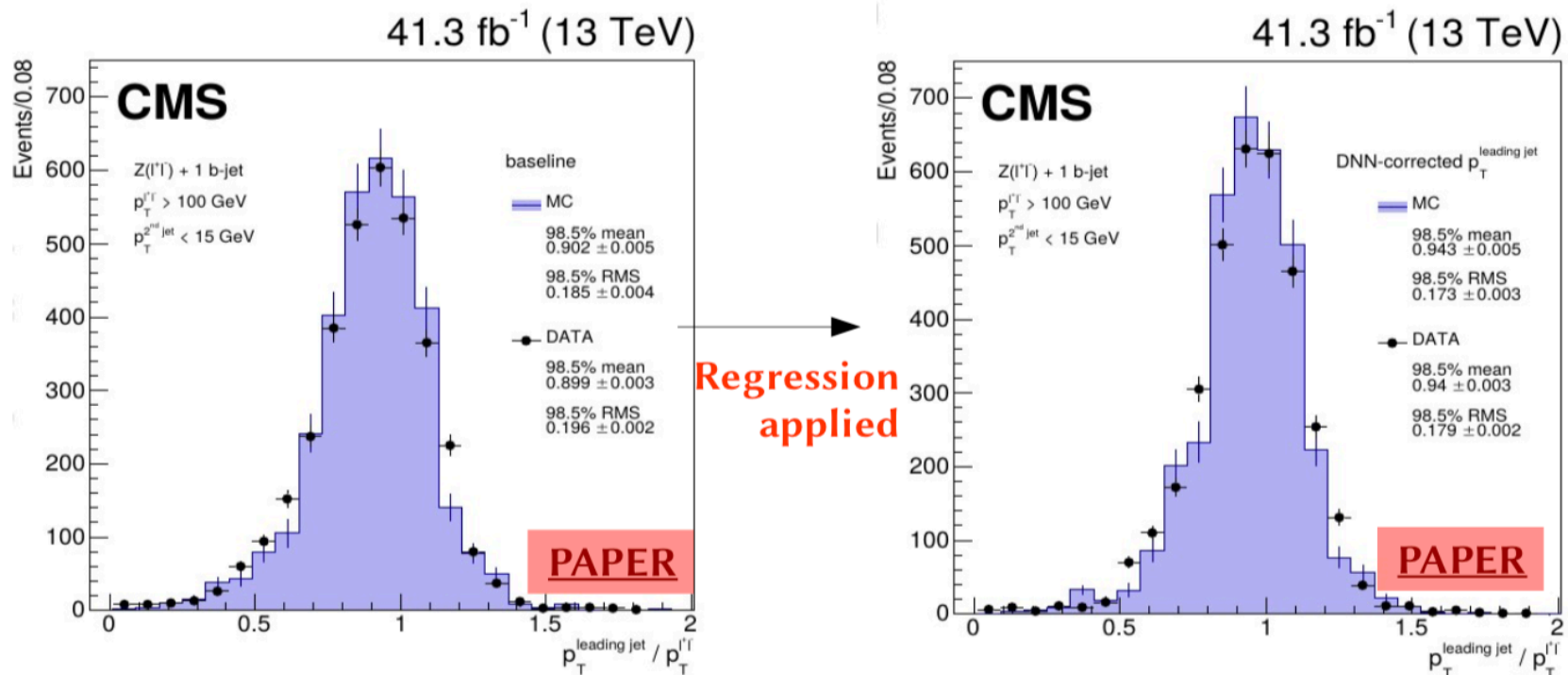
# Validation on data for $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

- Performance in data evaluated with  **$p_T$  balance** in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu/ee + b$ -jet topology
  - Leading jet collinear with Z ( $|\Delta\Phi| > 2.8$ )
  - NO Additional activity: ( $\alpha = p_T \text{ 2nd jet} / p_T Z > 0.3$ ) and  $\alpha$  binning
    - Extrapolation in  $\alpha$  to estimate JER scale factor, as prescribed by JME (CMS AN-2011/004, JME-10-014), truncated RMS used
  - leading jet  $p_T$  and  $|\eta|$  fiducial region
    - $p_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.0$
  - b-jet enriched region → b-tagged leading jet, (deepCSV medium WP)

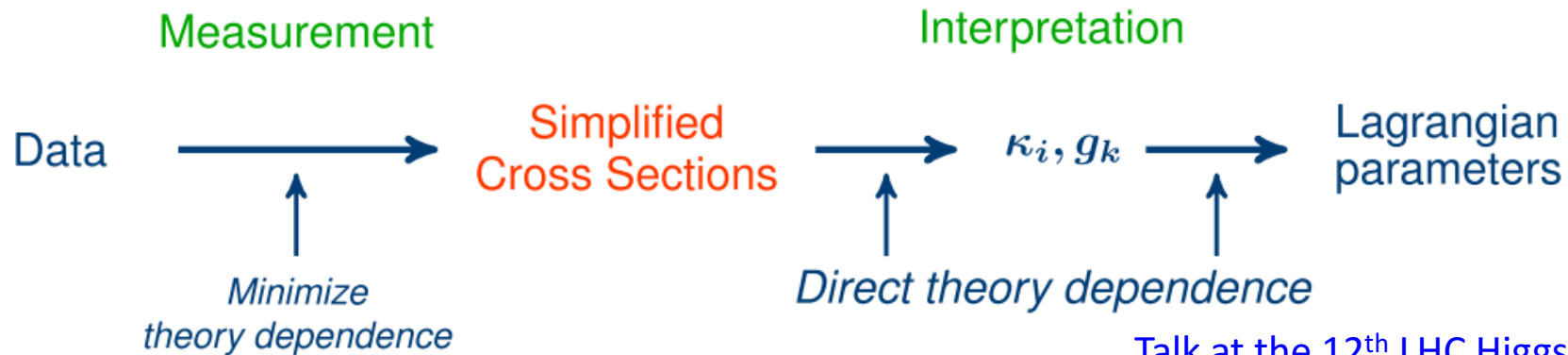


## Validation on data for $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

- Performance in well balanced events (extra jets  $p_T < 15$  GeV) – not used in extrapolation:
  - Truncated (98.5%) mean consistent in MC and data ( $0.9 \rightarrow 0.94$ )
  - Truncated (98.5%) RMS improvement in MC and data
    - $\sim 10\%$  JER scale factor needed to account for the different resolution
    - same as standard JER scale factor provided by JME



# Separating Measurement from Interpretation.



[Talk at the 12<sup>th</sup> LHC Higgs XSWG](#)

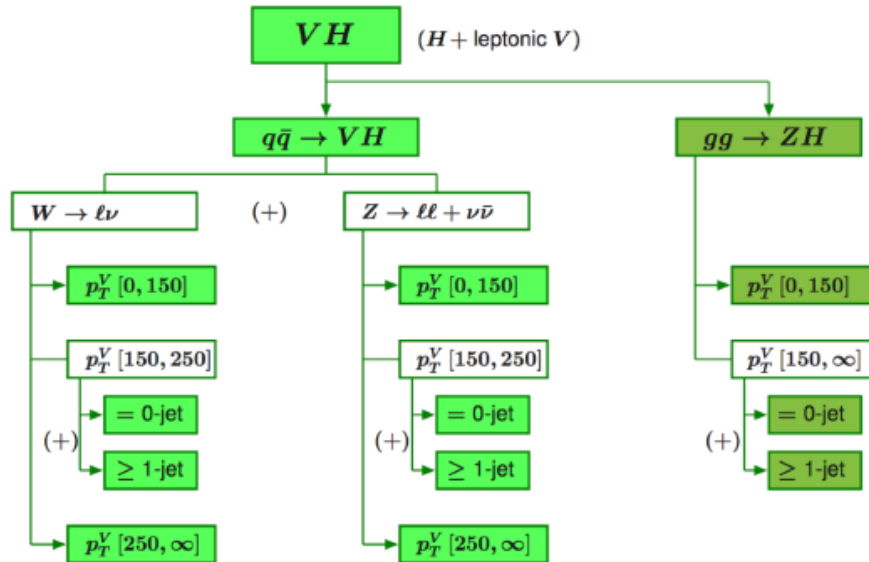
Oct. 2016

## Goals

- Minimize theory systematics in measurements
  - ▶ Clearer and systematically improvable treatment at interpretation level
- Minimize model dependence in measurements
  - ▶ Decouples measurements from assumption of underlying physics model (SM, (non)linear EFT, BSM models)
- Measurements stay long-term useful
- Allows easy further (re)interpretation with different theory inputs/assumptions
  - ▶ Improved theory predictions/uncertainties
  - ▶  $\mu_i, \kappa_i$ , anomalous couplings, EFT coefficients, specific BSM scenarios

# STXS for VH - short intro

- ▶ Stage-1 bin split mostly based on VH(bb) analysis categories / variables



- ▶ “VH” bins include leptonic VH (H undecayed)
- ▶  $qq \rightarrow V(qq)H$  as part of “VBF” bins
- ▶  $gg \rightarrow Z(qq)H$  as part of “ggF”
- ▶ Feedback on the bin split is still welcome, not set in stone!

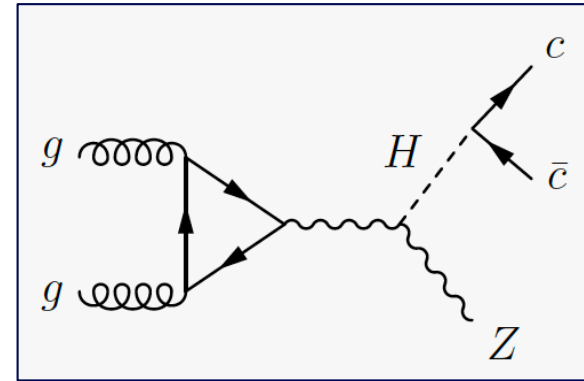
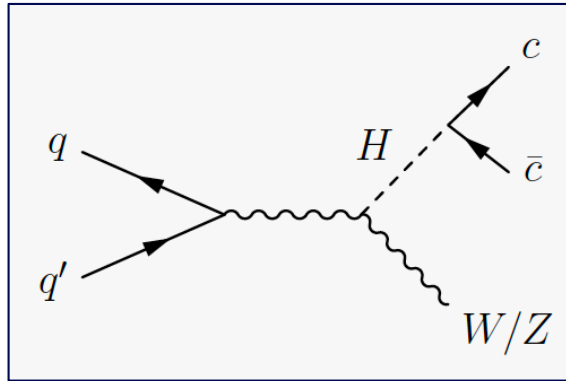
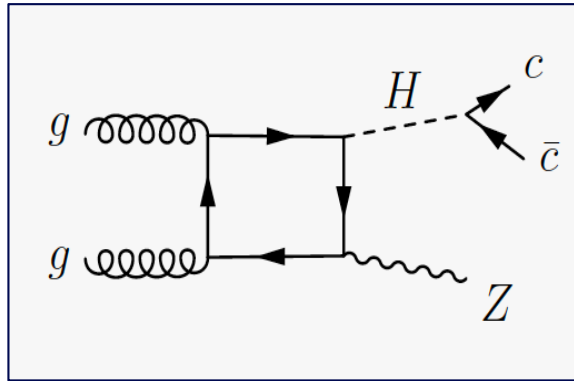
STXS  $\neq$  fiducial XS (and complementary)  
 [fid/diff XS minimize theory dependence and acceptance corrections, decayed Higgs, ... ]

- ▶ optimized for analysis sensitivity (e.g. in this case driven by VH(bb) categorization)
- ▶ reducing dominant theory dependence in the measurement (by moving it to the interpretation stage)
- ▶ reduced residual theory uncertainties within the measurement of each bin (if residual th. uncertainties become large in the exp. acceptance for a bin, the bin the be further split in sub-categories)

(reference from LesHouches2017)

[Talk at the VH LHC Higgs XSWG subgroup](#)

## ■ Signals targeted



## ■ Main backgrounds:

- Z/W+jets, tt+jets, single-top

## ■ Vector bosons and Higgs boson reconstruction

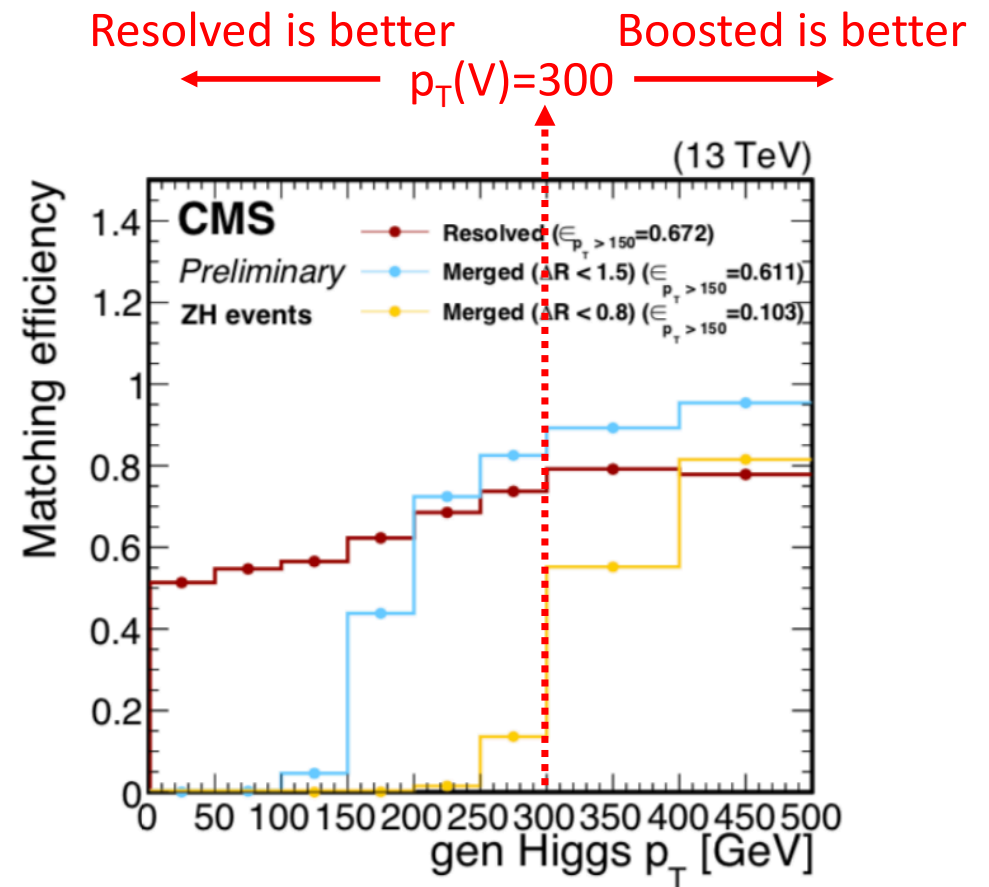
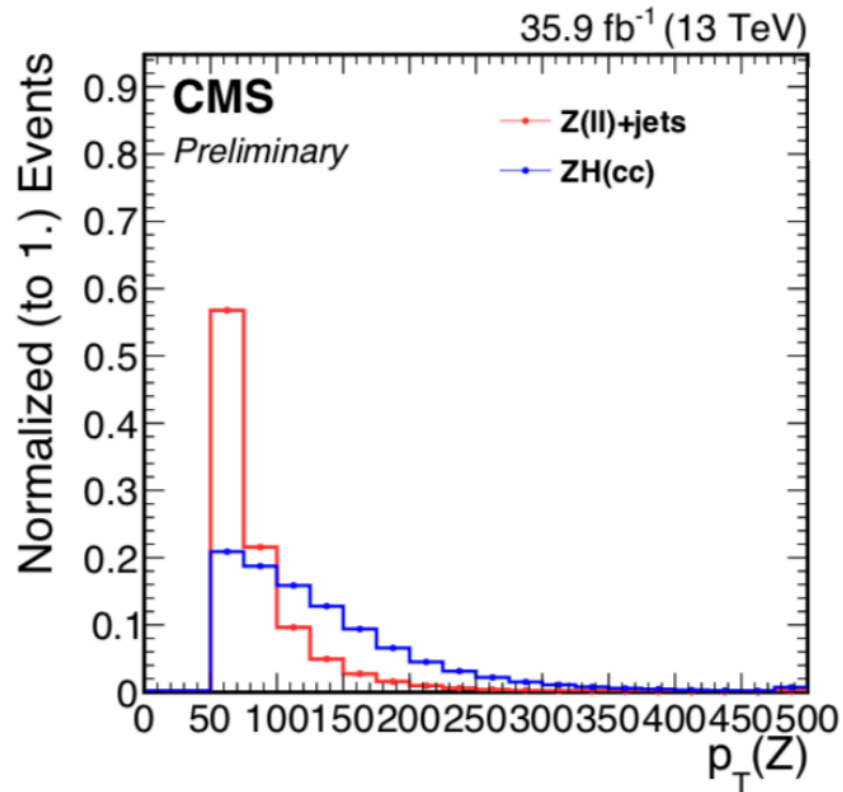
- Same flavor lepton with  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $75 < m(Z) < 105$  GeV
- Single lepton with  $p_T > 25$  GeV,  $p_T(W) > 100$  GeV
- PF MET  $> 170$  GeV
- RESOLVED: Reconstructed from the two leading CvsL jets + FSR [AN-18-275](#)
- BOOSTED: Reconstructed from highest-score-fatJet [AN-18-243](#)



## Why two strategies?

- Quickly falling  $p_T(V)$  spectrum of both signal and background
- Around 200 GeV, similar efficiency of resolved and merged in AK15

➔ **Maximize analysis sensitivity**



- **Categorization of events**
  - According to the number of leptons in final state: 0-, 1- and 2-lepton category
  
- **Further categorization according to **charm-tagger score****
  - A further split into 3 more categories is performed based on the c-tagger score
  - Improve the sensitivity isolating regions with jets with higher c-tagger score
  
- **Signal region and control region definition**
  - A kinematic-BDT, orthogonal to charm tagger score, is trained
  - Signal and control regions are defined cutting on the Kinematic-BDT score
  
- **Final fit**
  - Binned max. lik. fit in all the categories/channels in CRs + SRs
  - The **fat-jet invariant mass** shape is fitted in the SRs and in the CRs

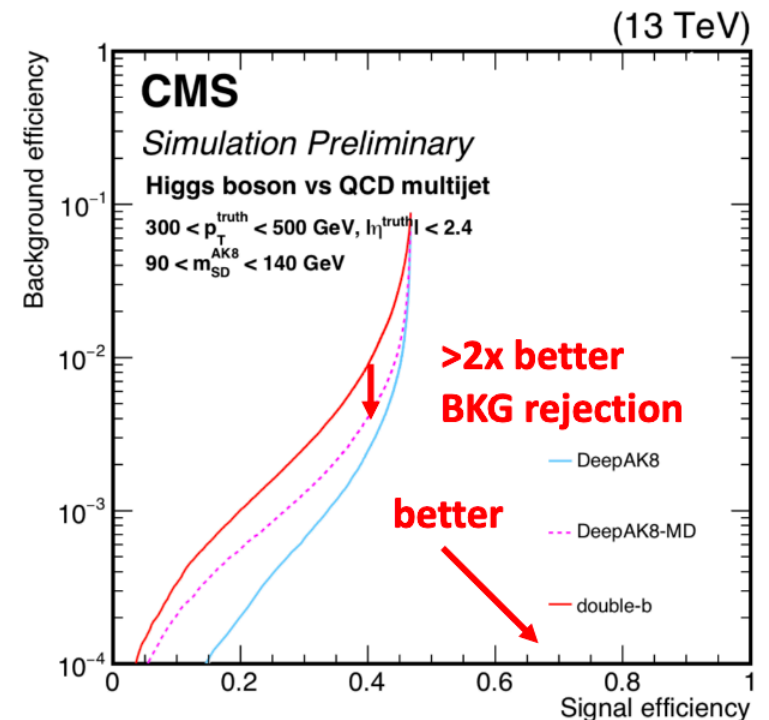
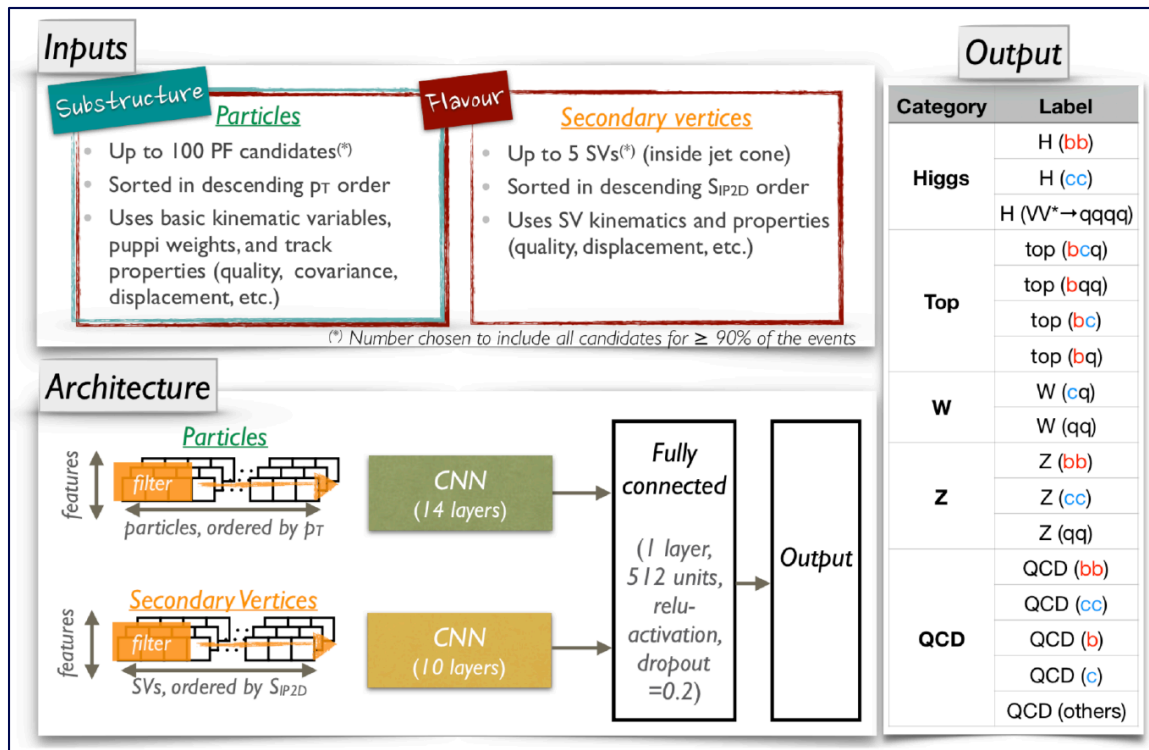
## DeepAK15 tagger – cornerstone of the boosted VHcc analysis

- Reconstruction of moderately to largely boosted Higgs
- DeepAK15: good compromise between signal purity and acceptance >200 GeV

## Boosted jet tagger “DeepAK8” adapted on AK15 jets

- DNN multiclassifier for top, W, Z, Higgs, and QCD jets
- Mass decorrelation techniques to mitigate mass sculpting

[CMS-DP-2017-049](#)  
[NIPS 2017 paper](#),  
[CMS-JME-18-002](#)

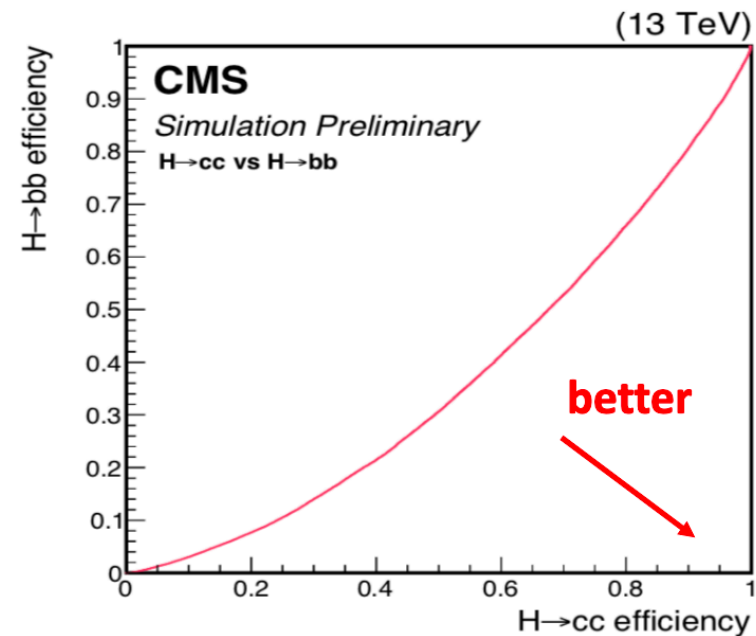
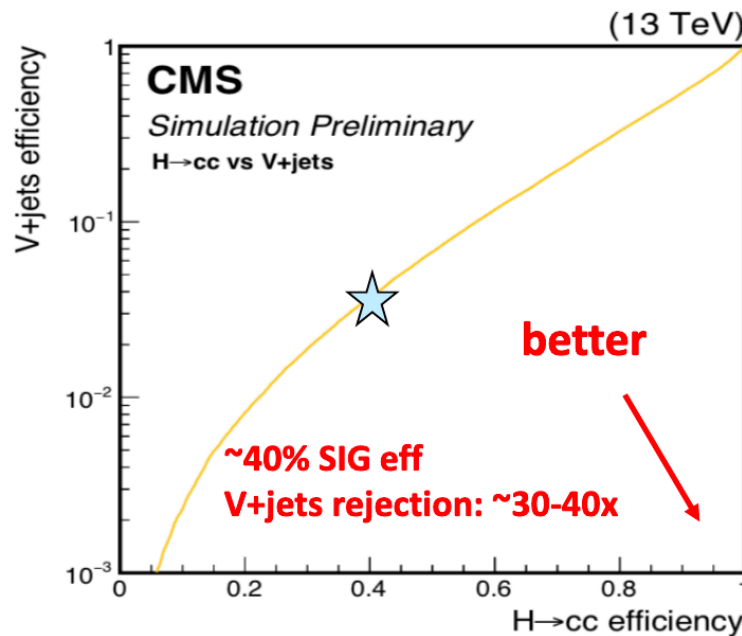


## DeepAK15: DNN architecture

- cc –tagging discriminant defined as:

$$\frac{\text{score}(Z \rightarrow c\bar{c}) + \text{score}(H \rightarrow c\bar{c})}{\text{score}(Z \rightarrow c\bar{c}) + \text{score}(H \rightarrow c\bar{c}) + \text{score}(\text{QCD})}$$

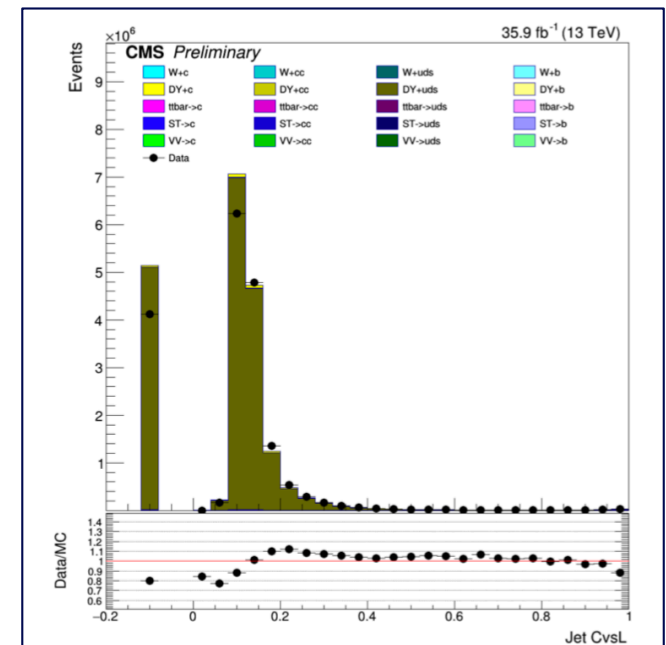
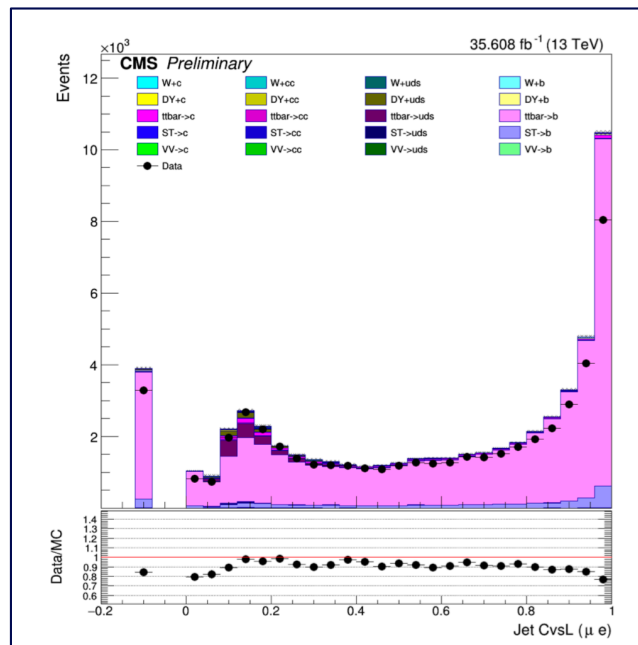
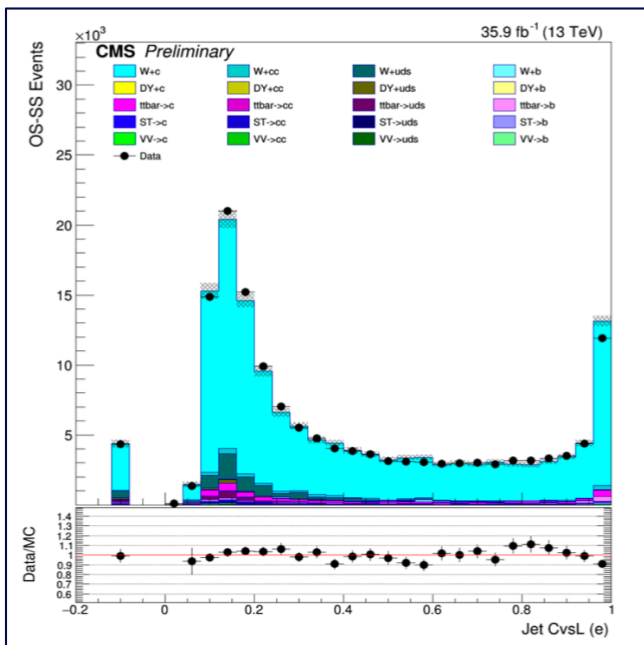
- Performance evaluated with MC simulation



- Validation in data using proxy jets from  $g \rightarrow cc$

## ■ Selections

- **c-jet:** OS-SS events after  $W$ +jets is selected, looking to leptonic decay of the  $W$  boson and to the presence of a soft muon inside the jet
- **b-jet:** Attempts have been made looking to semileptonic  $t\bar{t}$ +jets (less pure) and to dileptonic  $t\bar{t}$ +jets ( $\sim 5x$  less statistics)  $\rightarrow$  at the end an inclusive region has been considered
- **light-jet:** leading jet in a  $DY$ +jets( $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ) selections

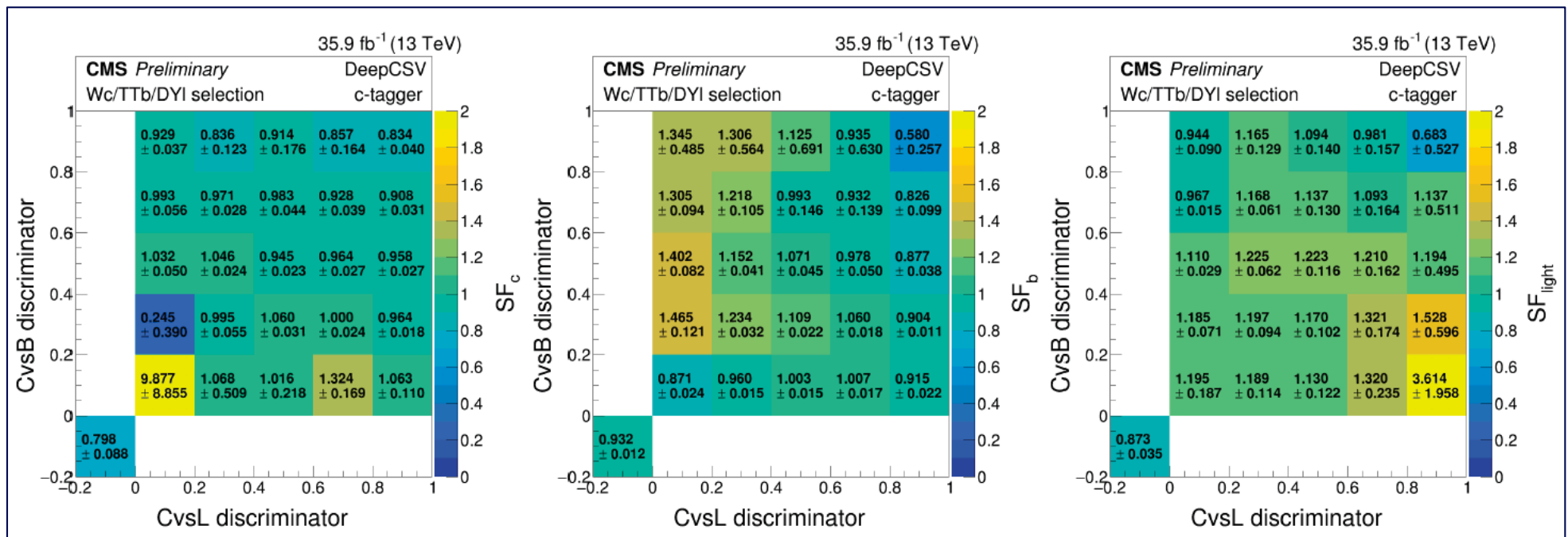


## Reshaping scale factor central values

- Events with CvsL and CvsB = -1 are considered in the normalization and in the fit
- The central values have been then used to define an event-by-event weight
- Such a weight is finally used to reshape the tagger distribution

$$w_i = \prod_{i=1}^{jets} sf_i(CvsL, CvsB)$$

Errors account for both statistical and systematics uncertainties

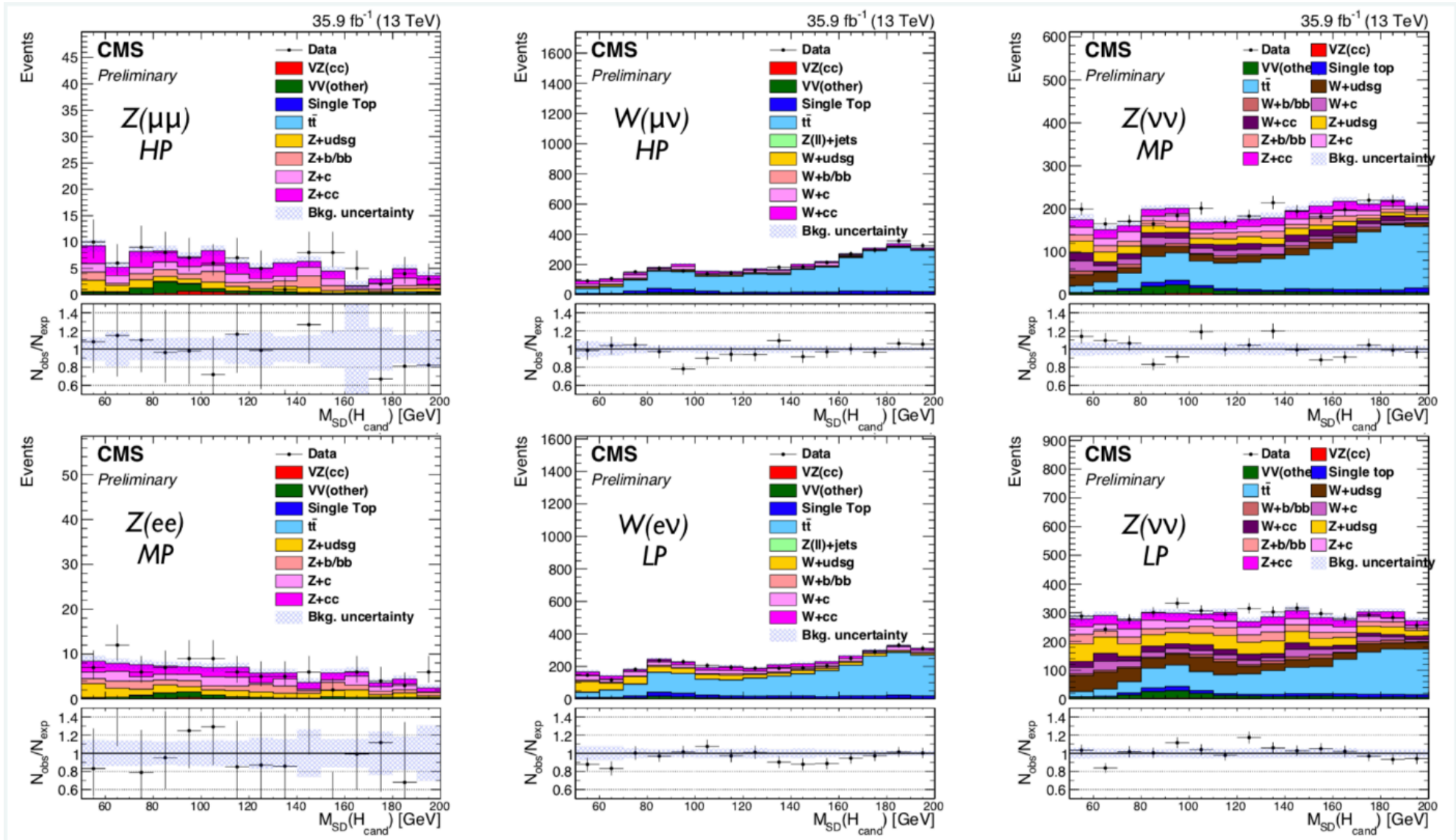


- **Systematics considered in the scale factor derivation:**

- Lepton ID/Iso
- Pile-Up weight
- Renormalization and factorization scale
- Inclusive JES
- JER
- Cross-sections up/down variation (assumed fully uncorrelated among the processes)
- MC statistics
- Data statistics

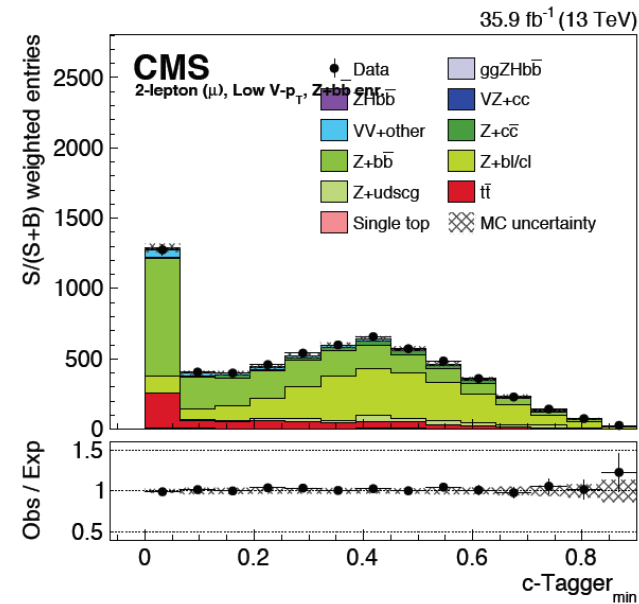
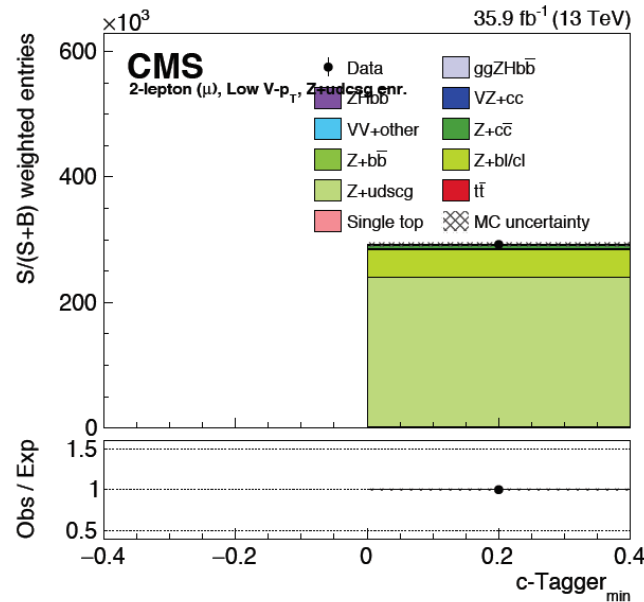
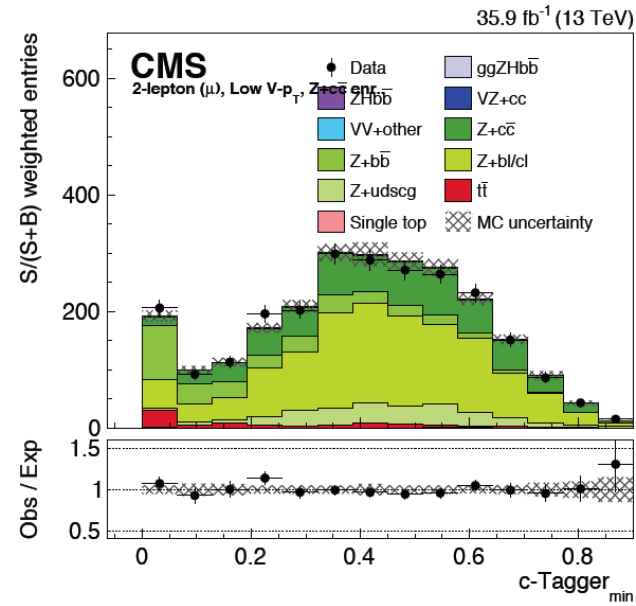
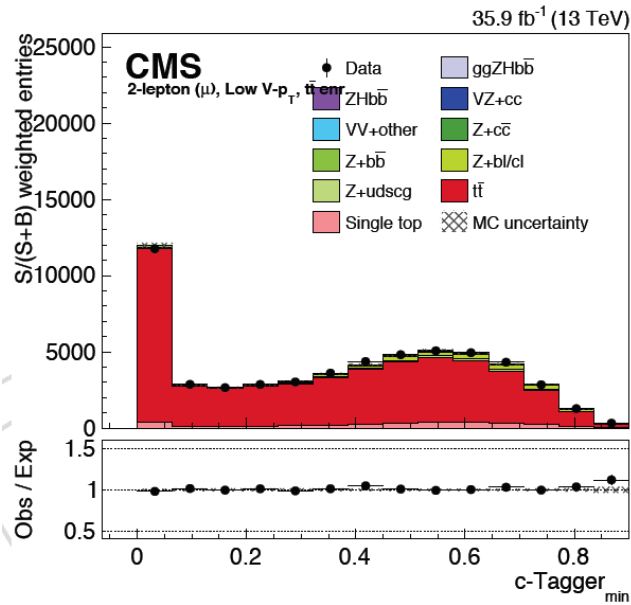
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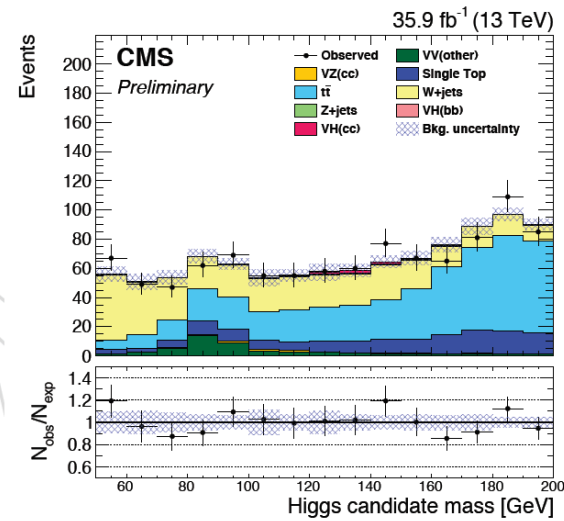
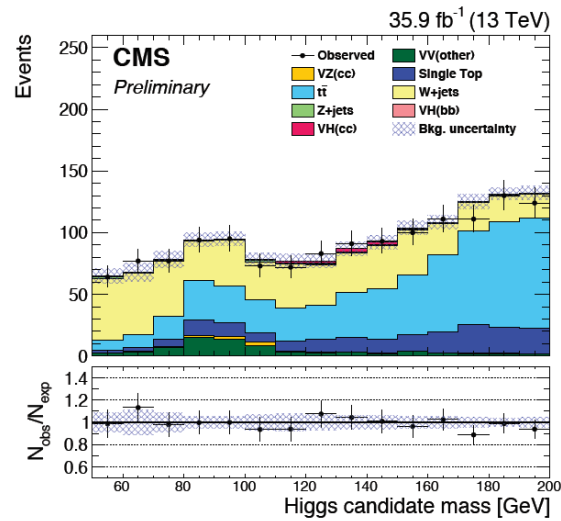
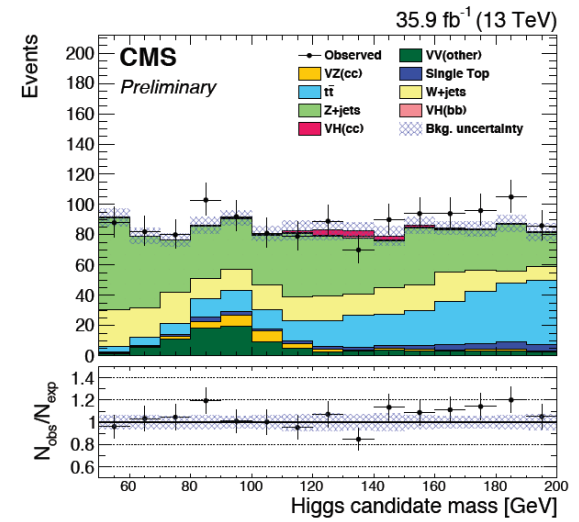
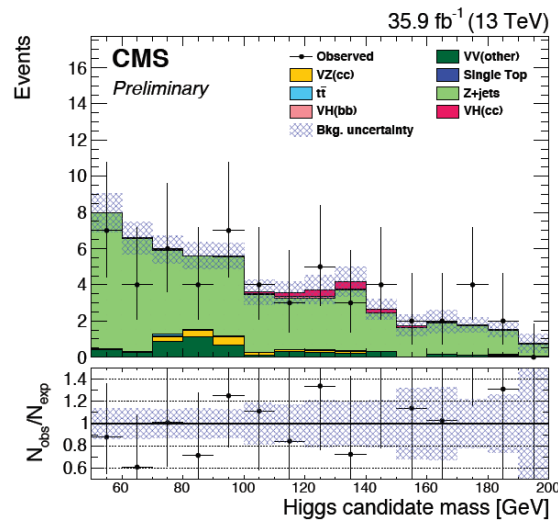
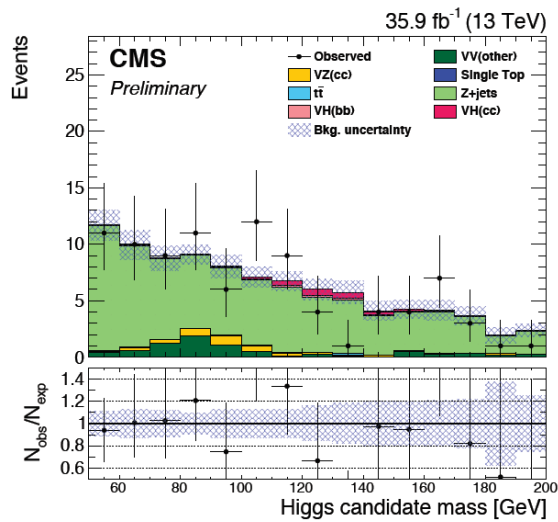
- SFs have been approved by BTV
- The whole method is fully detailed in [AN-19-028](#)

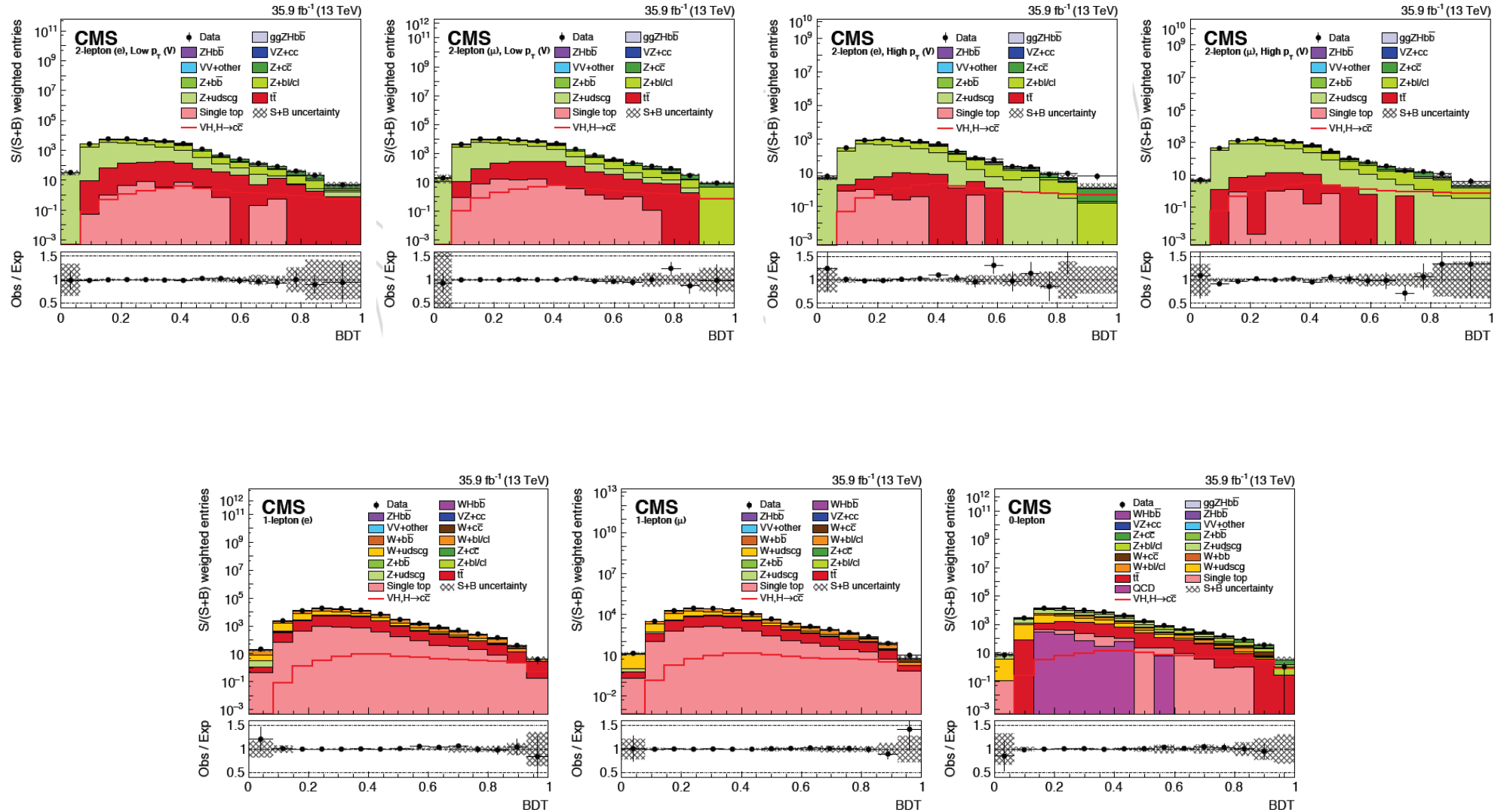




2-lepton  
Low- $p_T(V)$







## ■ Very challenging channel... lead improve analysis techniques

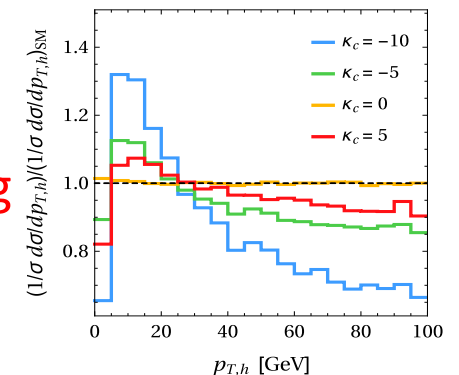
- possibility to improve many tools, e.g. c-taggers
- $Z \rightarrow cc$  analysis possible with  $\sim 0$  changes to the  $H \rightarrow cc$  analysis:
  - Targeting  $VZ(Z \rightarrow cc)$  evidence with full Run-2 (would be 1<sup>st</sup> time at had. coll.)

## ■ Full Run-2 “rule of thumb” prediction:

- Lumi. 2016:2017:2018=36:41:80 + assuming 1./Exp. L scale in quadrature
- Assuming no improvement in the analysis neither on the c-taggers side
  - Projection on 95% CL. Exp. Limit on  $\mu \sim 18$
- Working also on  $ggH(H \rightarrow cc)$ : possibility to combine
- With full Run-2, sensitivity to  $H \rightarrow cc$  can be in the O(sensitivity on HH)

## ■ $H \rightarrow cc$ as a probe for new physics

- Potentially sensitive to BSM modification to H-charm coupling



## ■ Possible improvement to the current analysis

- C-jet energy regression (**work in progress**)
- Kinematic fit in the 2-lepton categories
- Study what's the gain in deploying DeepJet
- Add 2017 and 2018 dataset

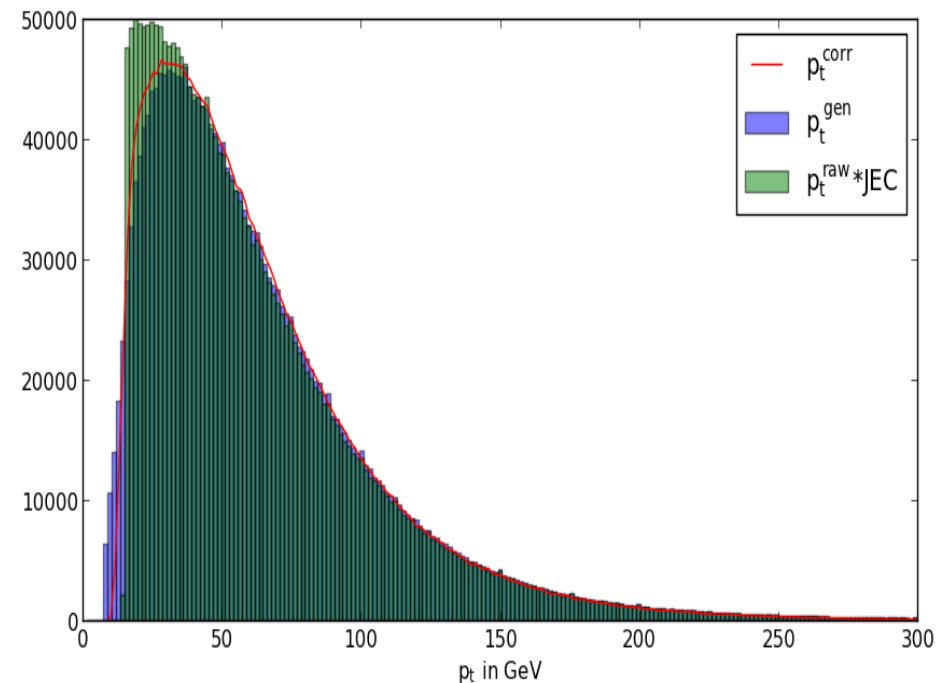
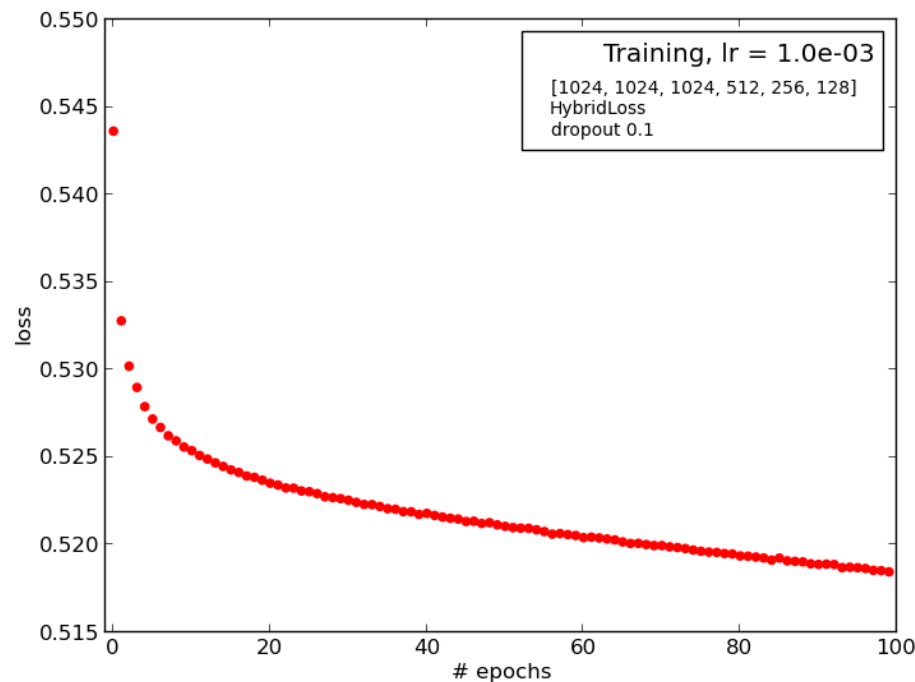
## ■ Possible benefits from interplay with VHbb

- Fit simultaneously VHbb and VHcc
- How correlate the systematics?
  - Different flavour splitting for V+jets → different rate parameters
- Open discussion...

## ■ DNN architecture and training

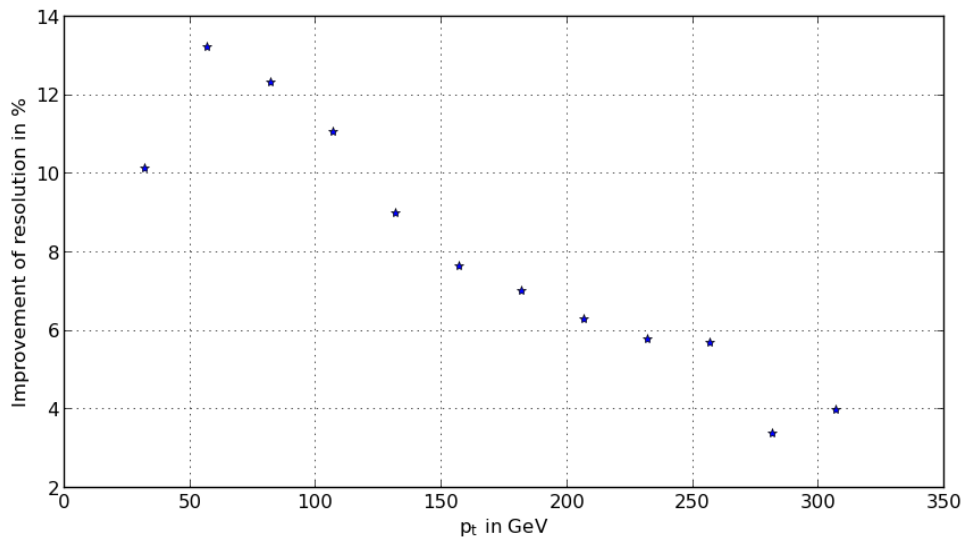
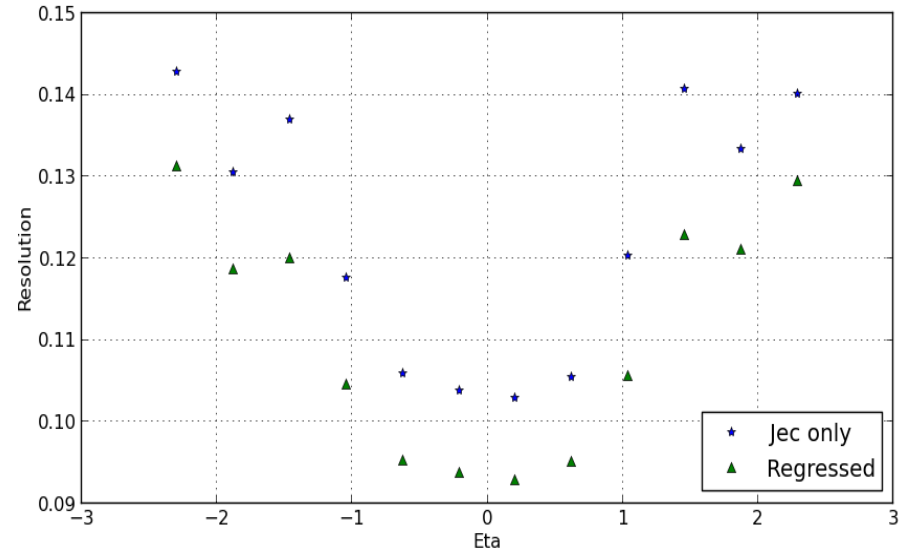
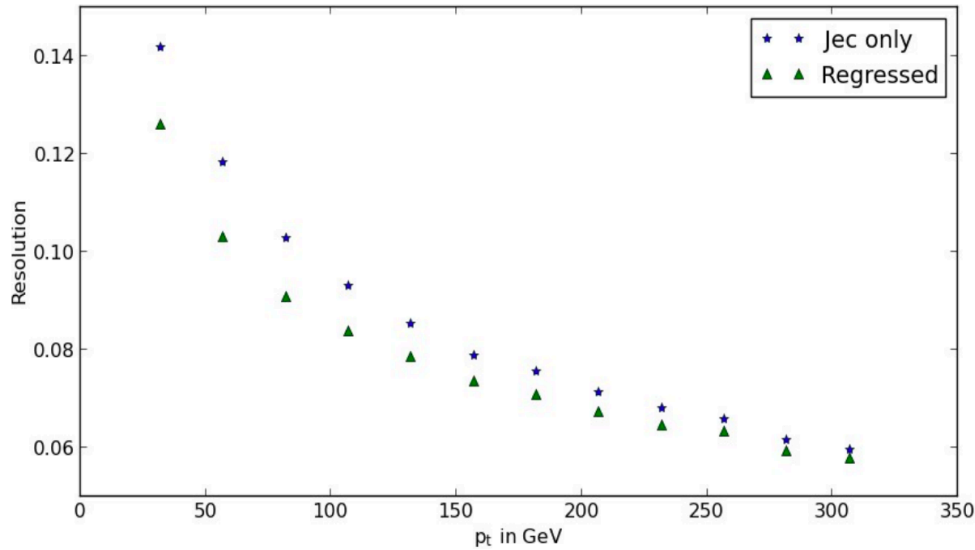
NEW

- Relying on the ETH training for b-jet energy regression (thanks Nadya!)
- The regression is trained on 2.3 million of c-jets from hadronic tt+jets
- Preselections:  $p_T > 15 \text{ GeV}$  &&  $1 \text{ GeV} < \text{gen-}p_T < 6 \text{ TeV}$  &&  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- DNN Input variables same as in b-jet energy regression
- Training with a batch size of 1024. This NN I have trained over 100 epochs



## ■ Preliminary Performance

**NEW**



Improvement on single jet energy resolution:

- >10% in pT range [30, 120]
- 5%-10% in pT range [120, 250]

Looking forward to assess improvements on mjj