

# Higgs Searches @ the Tevatron

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- **Introduction to the Higgs Mechanism**
- **Tevatron & Detectors**
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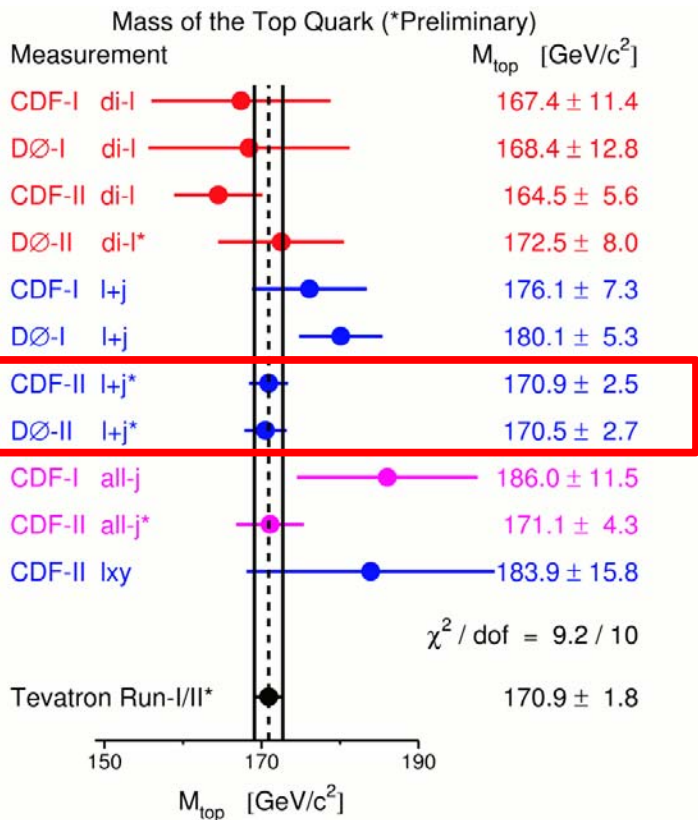


# Experimental constraints on the Higgs Boson

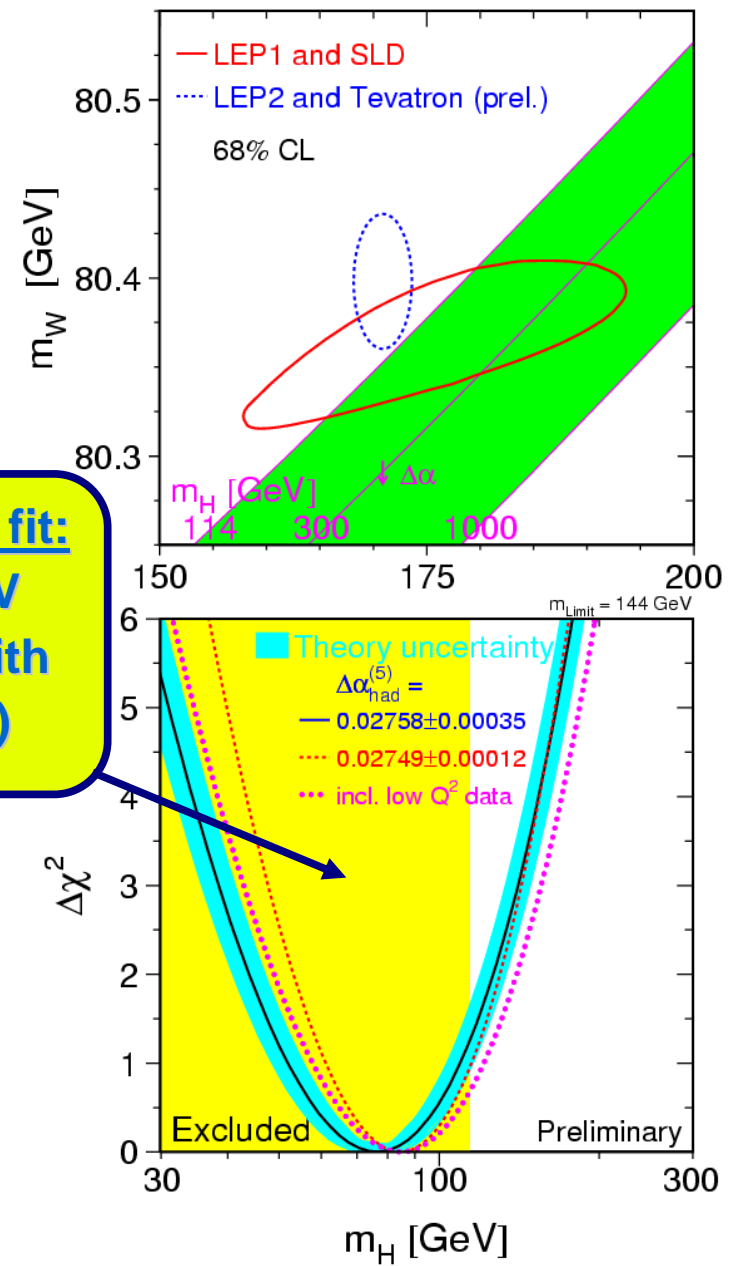


**Indirect Constraints:**  
**Top, W-boson masses**

**Direct searches at LEP II:**  
 $m_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV @ 95\% CL}$



**Precision EW fit:**  
 $m_H < 144 \text{ GeV}$   
 (<182 GeV with LEP II Limit)

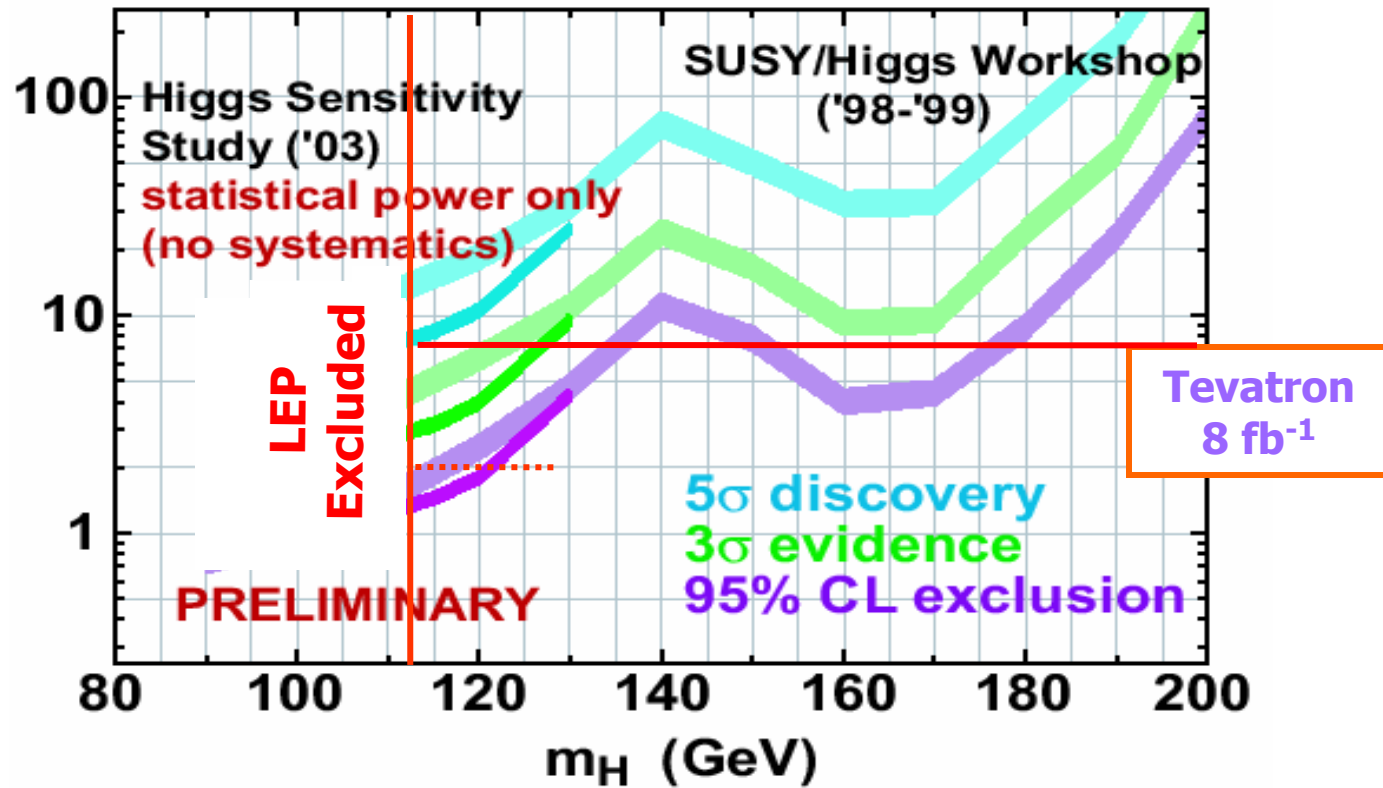




# Tevatron SM Higgs Search: Outlook



Ldt (fb<sup>-1</sup>)



In earlier studies, the Tevatron sensitivity in the mass region above LEP limit (114 GeV) was estimated to start at  $\sim 2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

with  $8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ : exclusion would be 115-135 GeV & 145-180 GeV,

Now, we are:

- optimizing analysis techniques, understanding detectors better
- measuring SM backgrounds ( $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ ,  $Zb\bar{b}$ ,  $Wb\bar{b}$ ,  $WW$ , single top!)
- **Placing first Combined Higgs limits and compare to the prospects**



# Tevatron Long Term Luminosity Plan



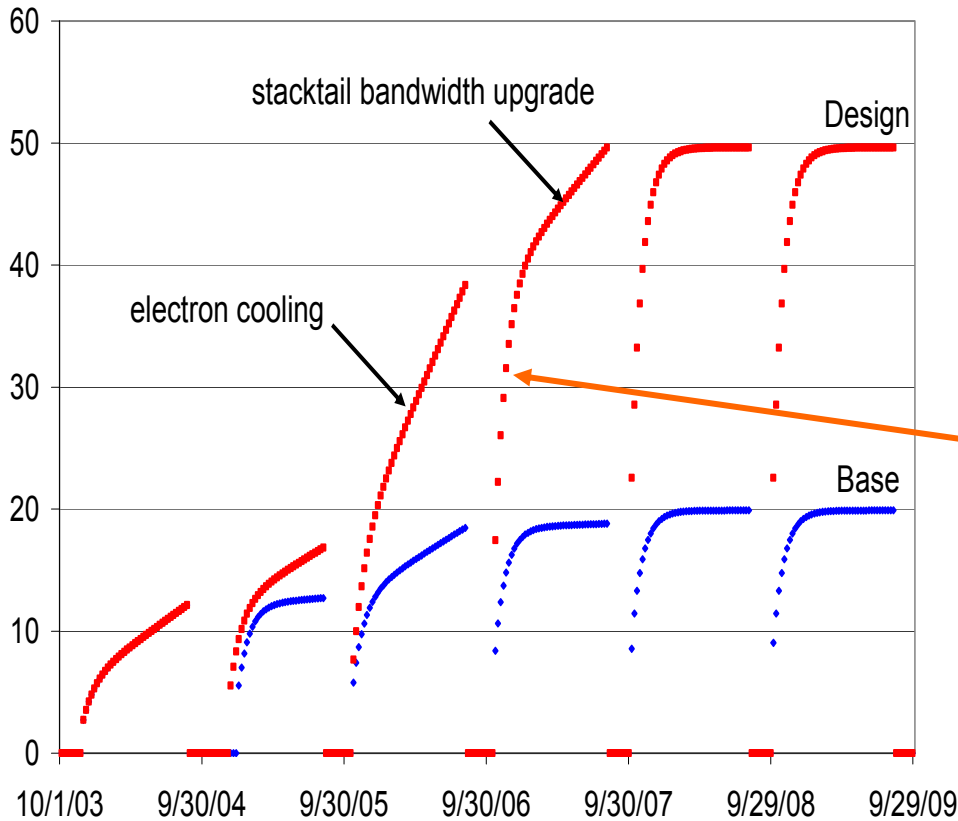
**Increase in number of antiprotons**  
→ key for higher luminosity

**Expected peak luminosity**  
→  $3 \cdot 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{sec}^{-1}$  in 2007

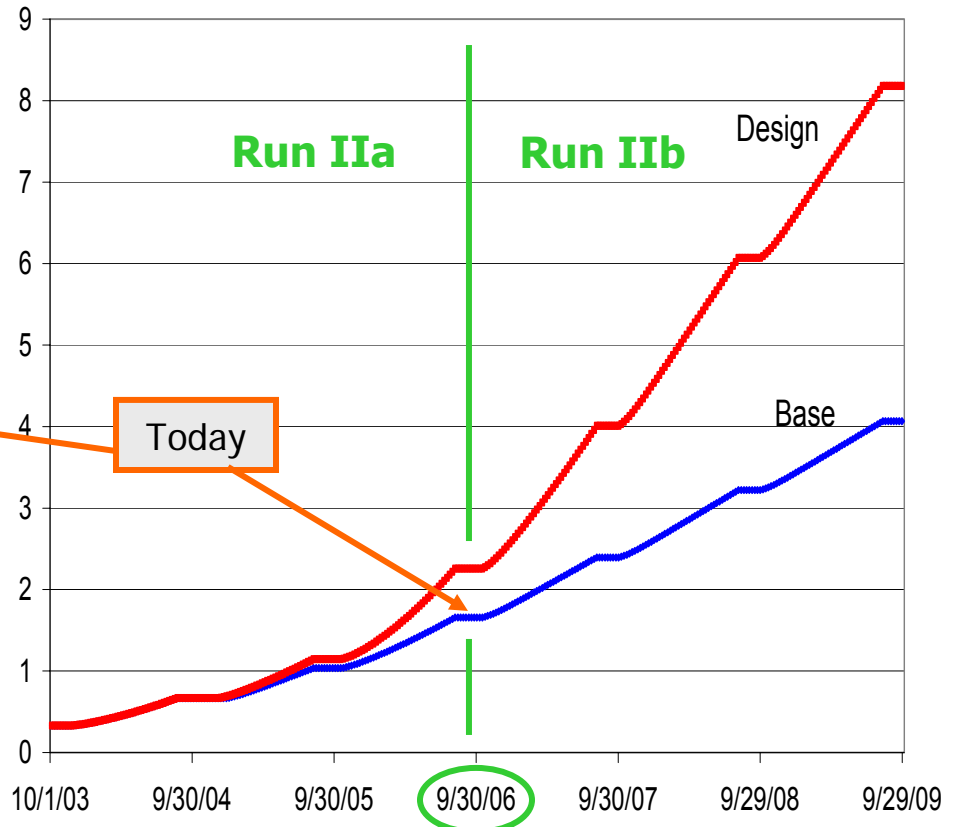
**Currently expecting delivered luminosity to each experiment**

→  $6-8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
by the end of 2009

Integrated Weekly Luminosity (pb-1)



Total Luminosity (fb-1)



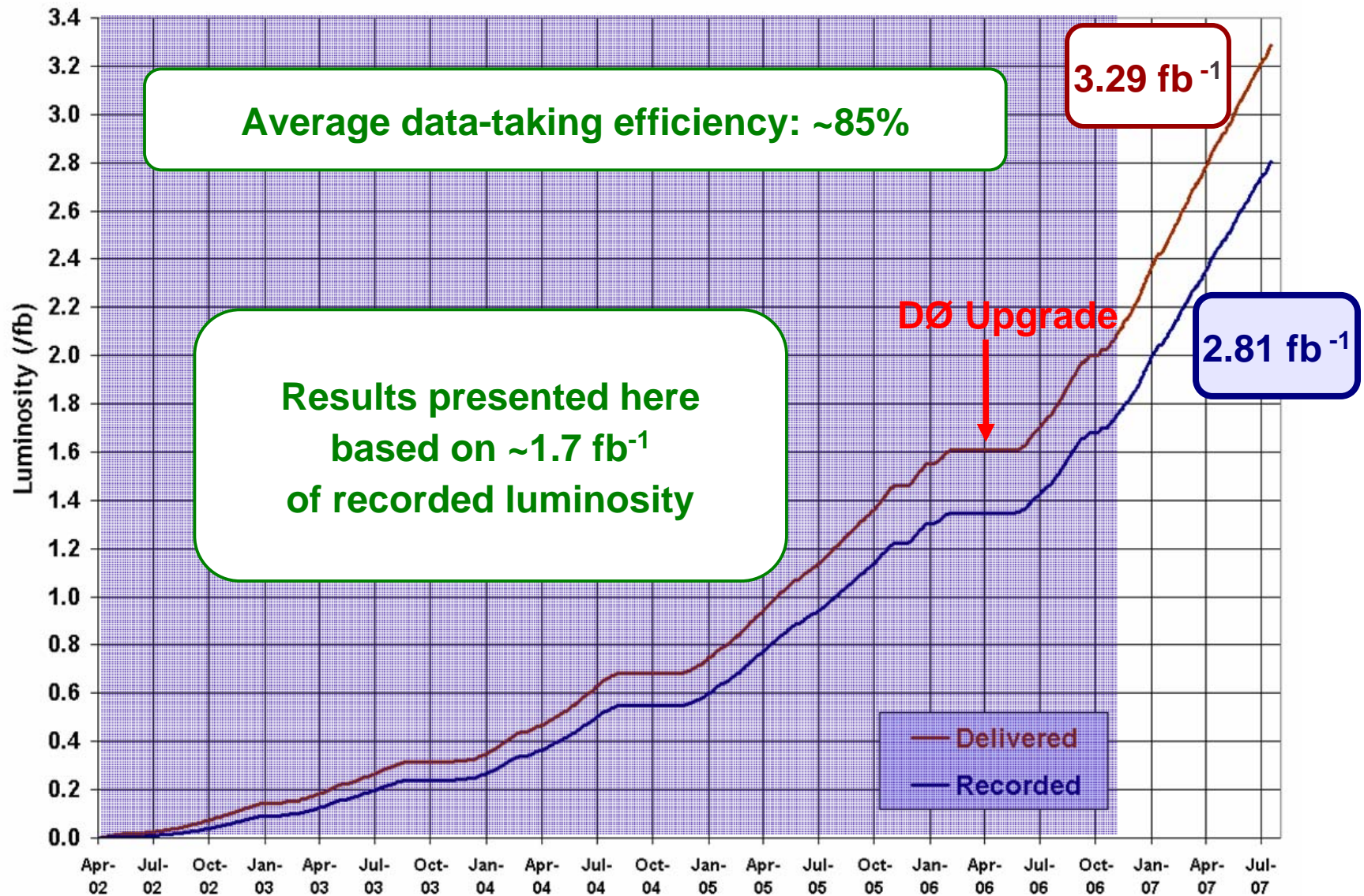


# Dataset



## Run II Integrated Luminosity

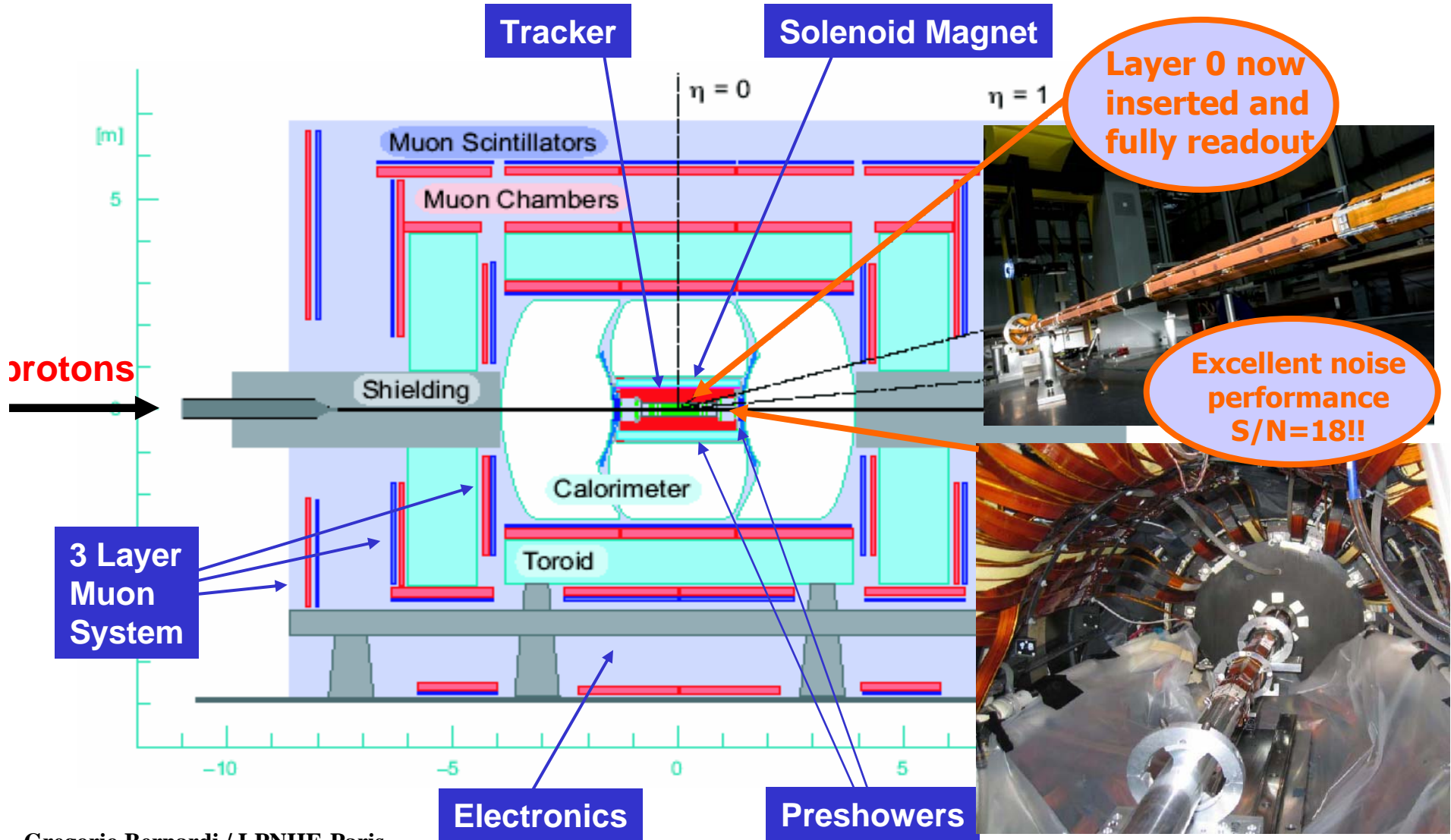
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# The Upgraded DØ detector in Run IIb

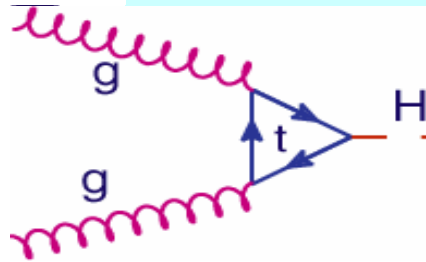


- Trigger: L1 Calorimeter trigger
- Silicon vertex detector: Layer 0



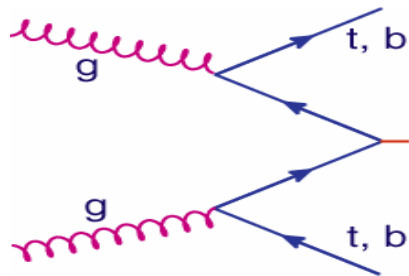
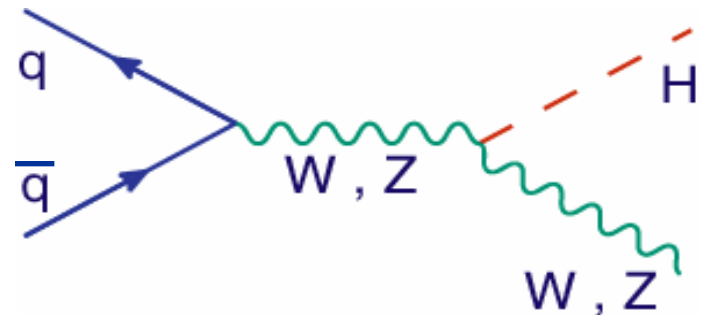


# SM Higgs boson production



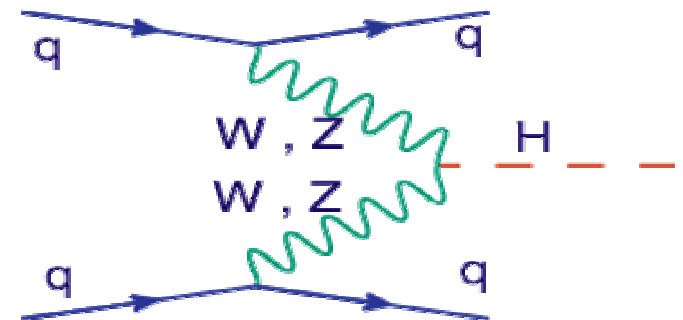
- **gg fusion**
  - Dominates at hadron machines
  - Usefulness depends on the Higgs decay channel

- **WH, ZH associated production**
  - Important at hadron colliders since can trigger on 0/1/2 high- $p_T$  leptons and MET



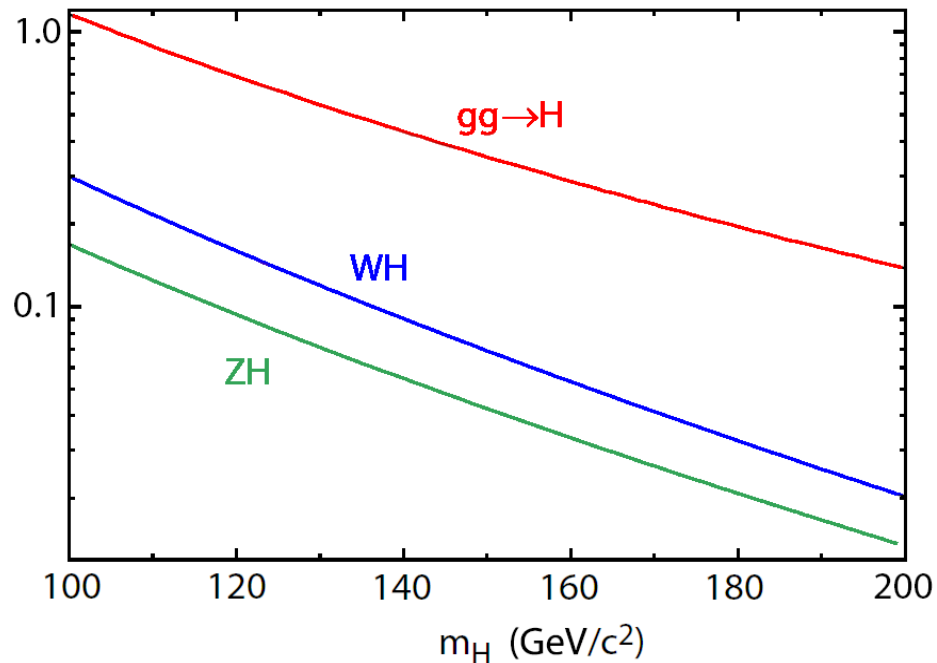
- **ttH and bbH associated production**
  - High- $p_T$  lepton, top reconstruction, b-tag
  - Low rate at the Tevatron

- **Vector Boson Fusion**
  - Two high- $p_T$  forward jets help to “tag” event
  - Important at LHC, being studied at DØ

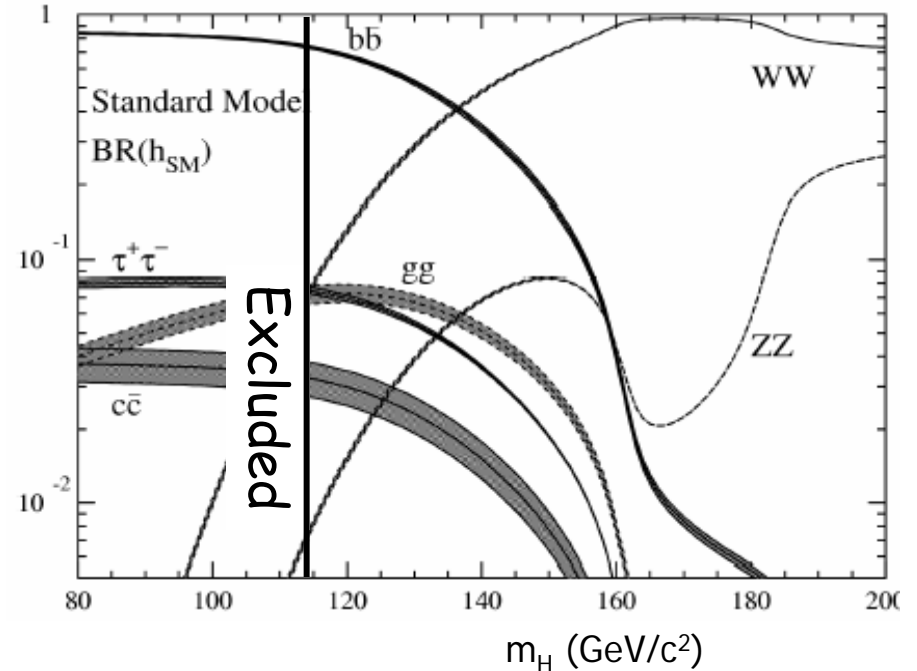


# SM Higgs Production and Decays

Production



Decays



## Production cross section ( $m_H$ 115-180)

→ in the 0.8-0.2 pb range for  $gg \rightarrow H$   
 → in the 0.2-0.03 pb range for WH associated vector boson production

## Dominant Decays

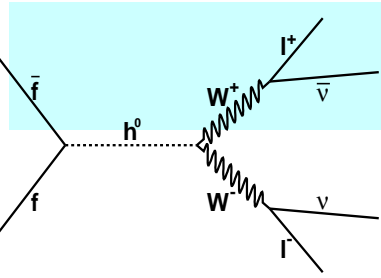
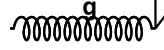
→  $b\bar{b}$  for  $M_H < 135$  GeV  
 →  $WW^*$  for  $M_H > 135$  GeV

## Search strategy:

$M_H < 135$  GeV: associated production WH and ZH with  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  decay  
 Backgrounds: top, Wbb, Zbb...

$M_H > 135$  GeV:  $gg \rightarrow H$  production with decay to  $WW^*$  or  $WH \rightarrow WW^*$   
 Backgrounds: WW, DY, WZ, ZZ, tt, tW,  $\tau\tau$





# H → WW\* → lνlν



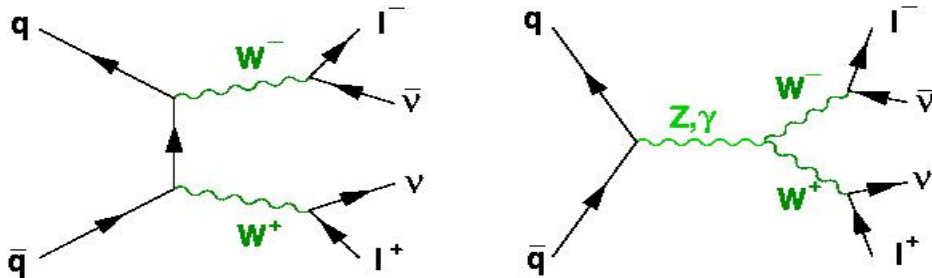
DØ analysis: L ~ 1.0 fb<sup>-1</sup> in H → WW\* → e-e  
 L ~ 0.9 fb<sup>-1</sup> in H → WW\* → mu-mu  
 L ~ 1.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> in H → WW\* → e-mu

## Selection Strategy

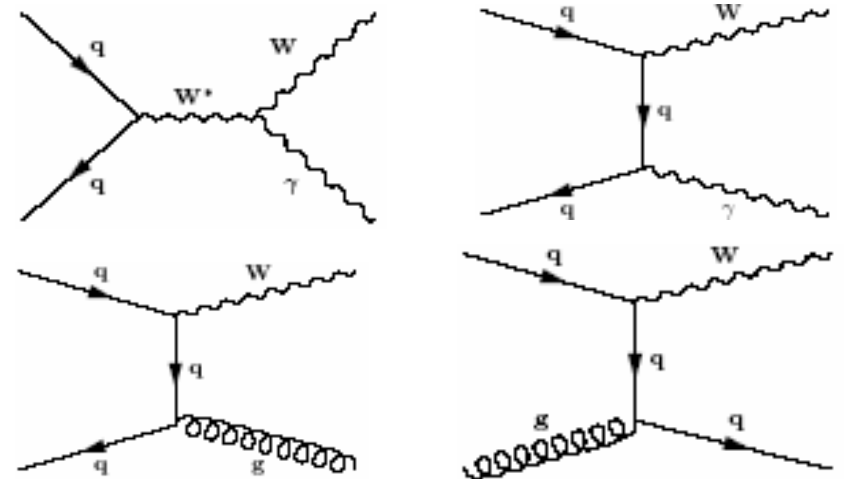
- **Preselection:** lepton ID, trigger, opposite charge leptons
- **Remove QCD and Z → l+l-:**  $E_T > 20$  GeV
- **Higgs Mass Dependent Cuts:** Invariant Mass ( $M_{l+l-}$ ); Min. Transverse Mass Sum of lepton  $p_T^l$  and  $E_T$  ( $\sum p_T^l + E_T$ )
- **Anti tt(bar) cut:**  $H_T = \sum P_T^{\text{jet}} < 100$  GeV
- **Spin correlation in WW pair:**  $\Delta\phi(l,l) < 2.0$

## Major backgrounds

### WW production



### W + jet/γ production:



Now measured at the Tevatron by both expts. in agreement with NLO calculation: ~13.5 pb

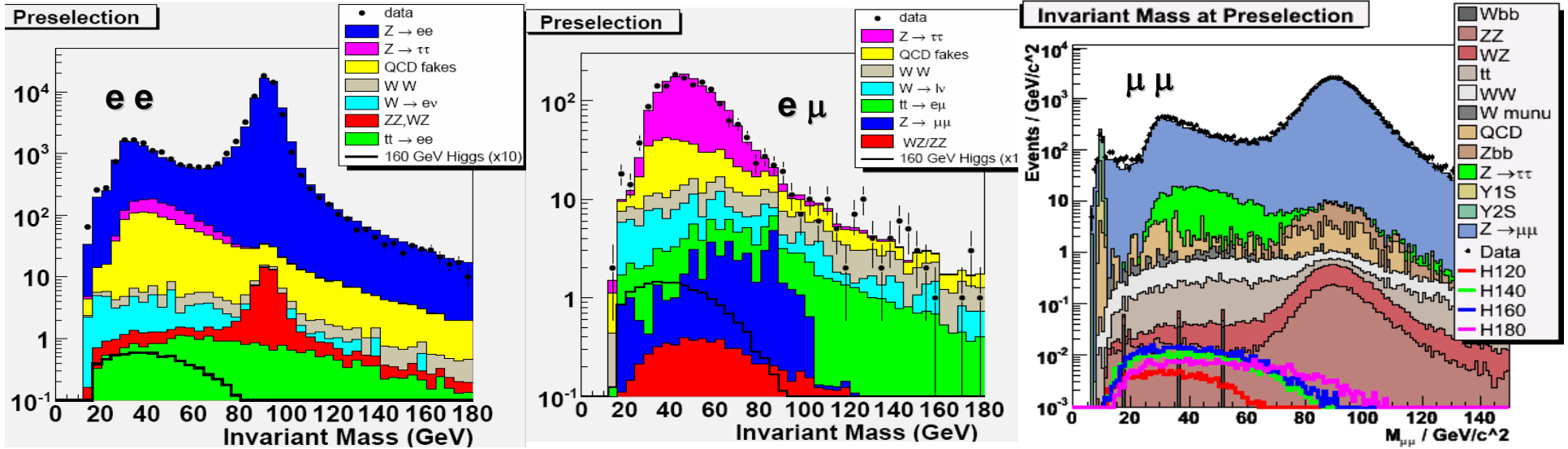


# $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow ee / e\mu / \mu\mu$ ( $\sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

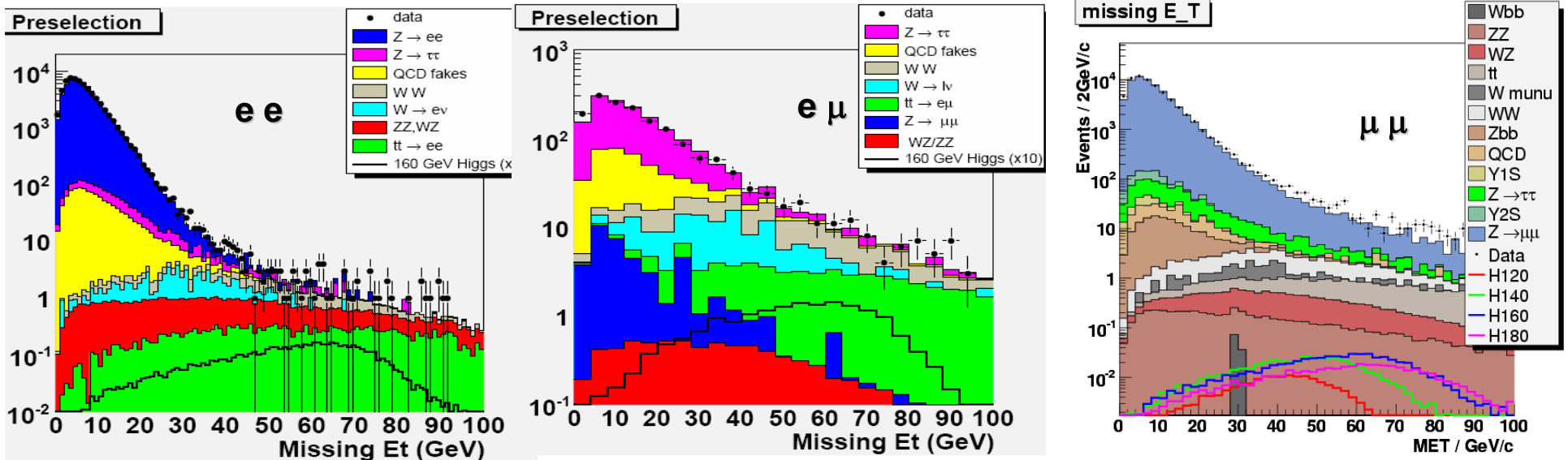


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Preselection: Trigger, ID, leptons of opposite charge:  $p_T^{l1} = 15 \text{ GeV}$ ;  $p_T^{l2} = 10 \text{ GeV}$

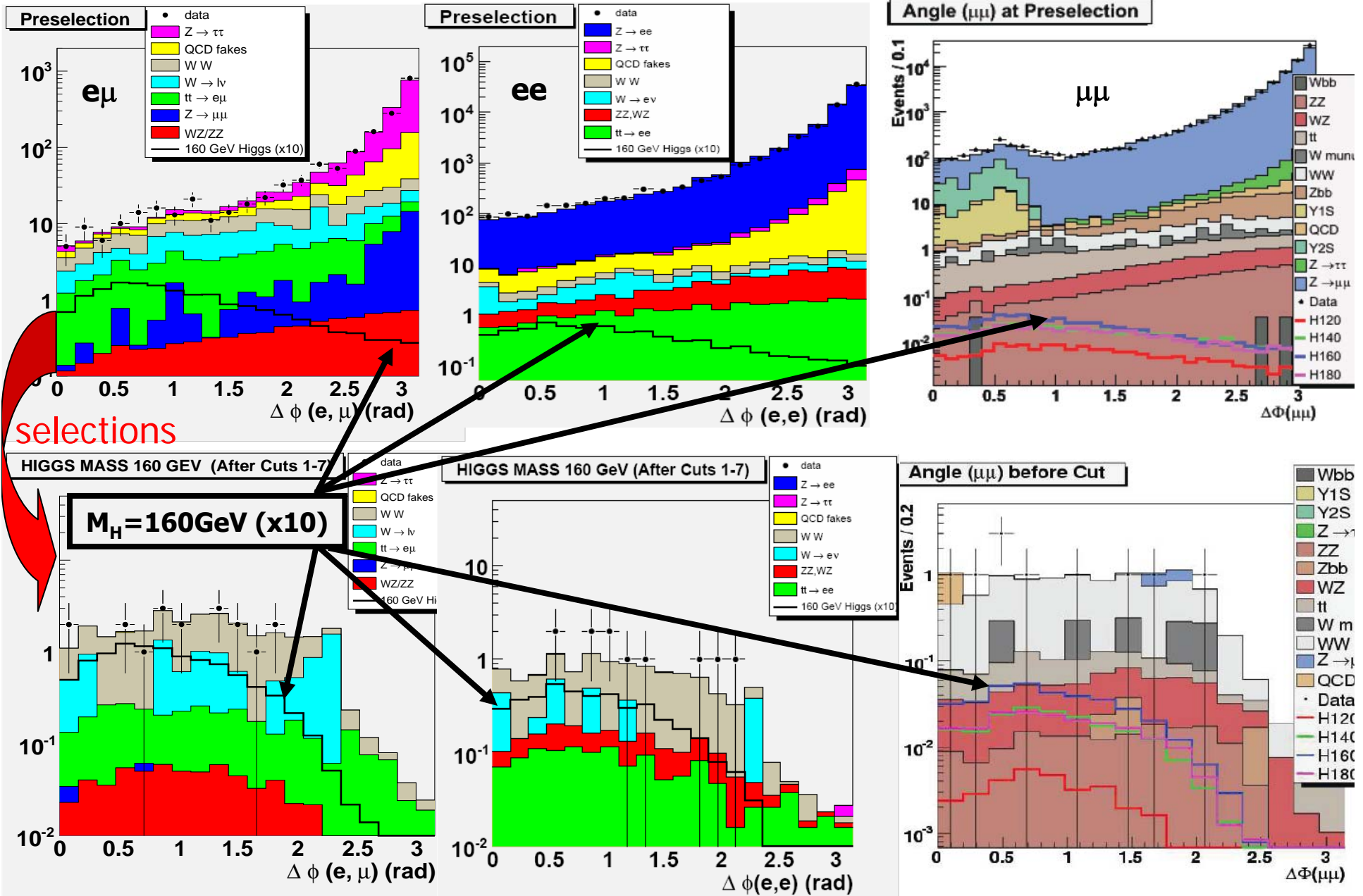


Missing Transverse Energy > 20 GeV Cut (to suppress  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow l^+l^-$  background)





# H → WW\* : final selection



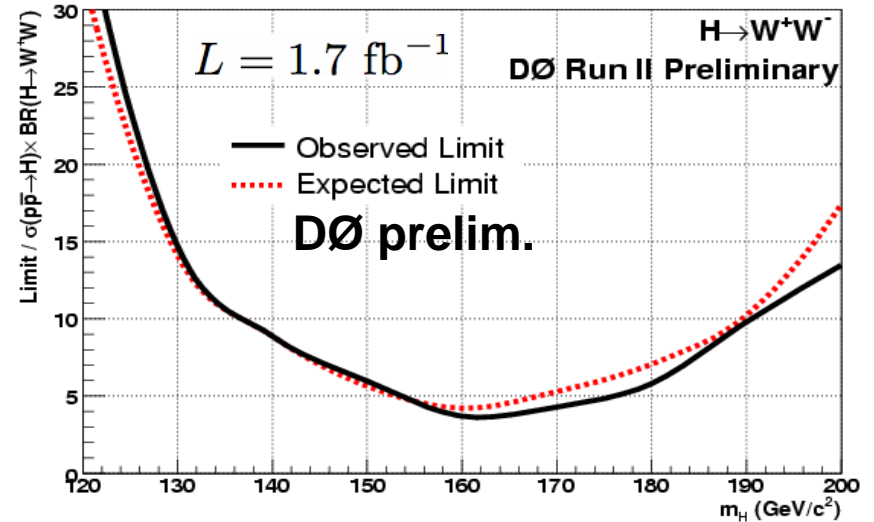
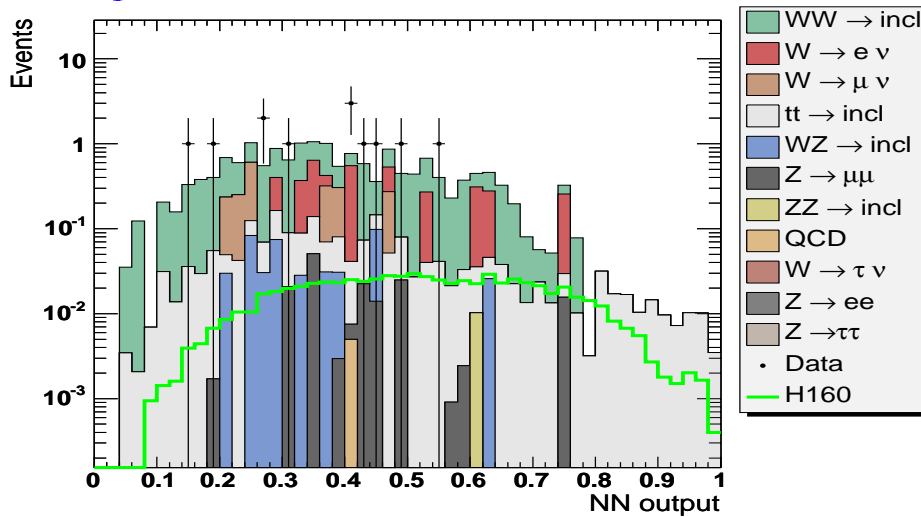


# H → WW\* / Neural Net & μτ @ Dzero



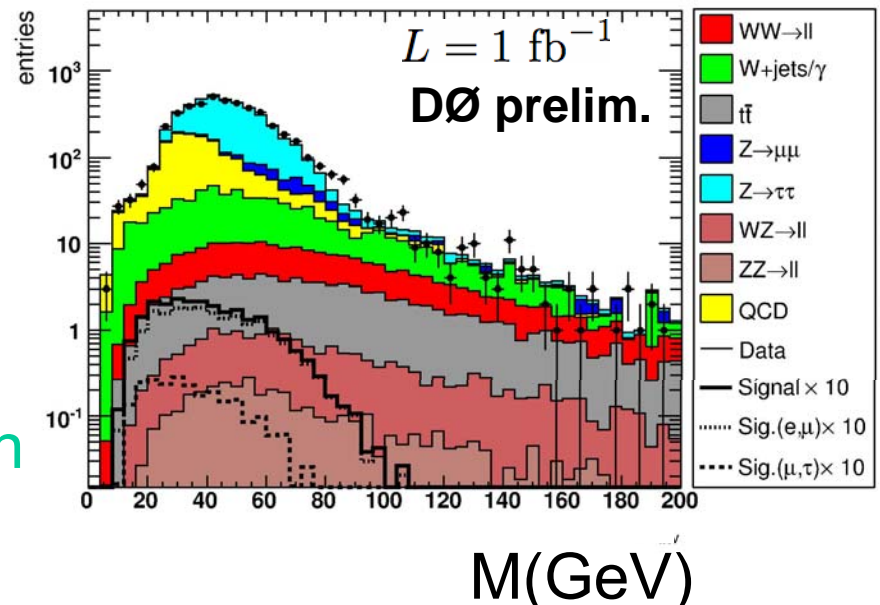
μe final state

(normalised to Z → τ<sub>e</sub>τ<sub>μ</sub>)



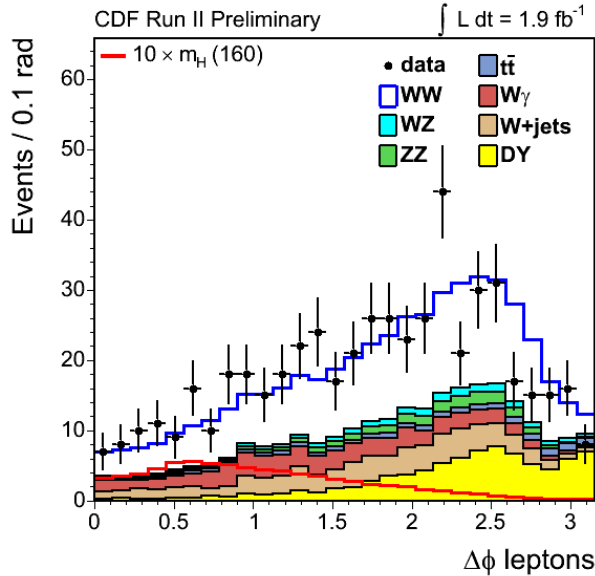
μτ<sub>had</sub> final state

- hadronic tau reconstruction challenging at hadron collider
- Z → τ<sub>μ</sub>τ<sub>had</sub> has been observed
- adds sensitivity, no NN yet, not yet Included in the combination



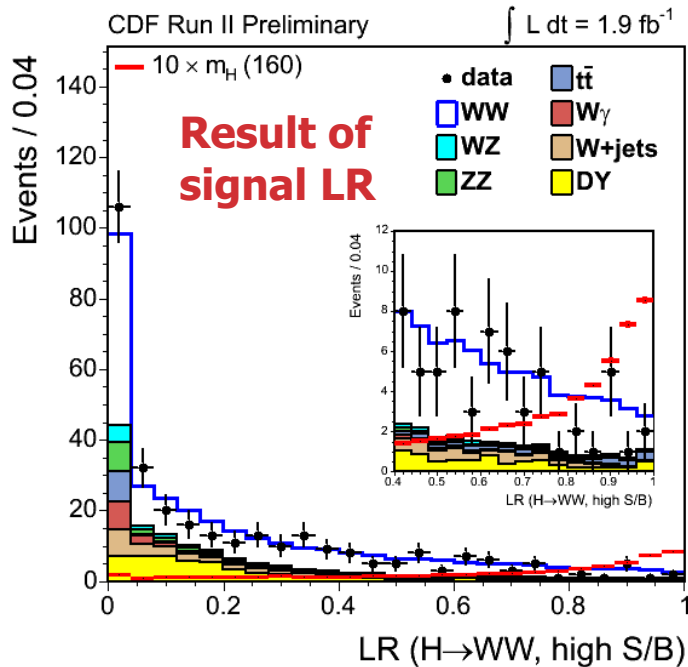
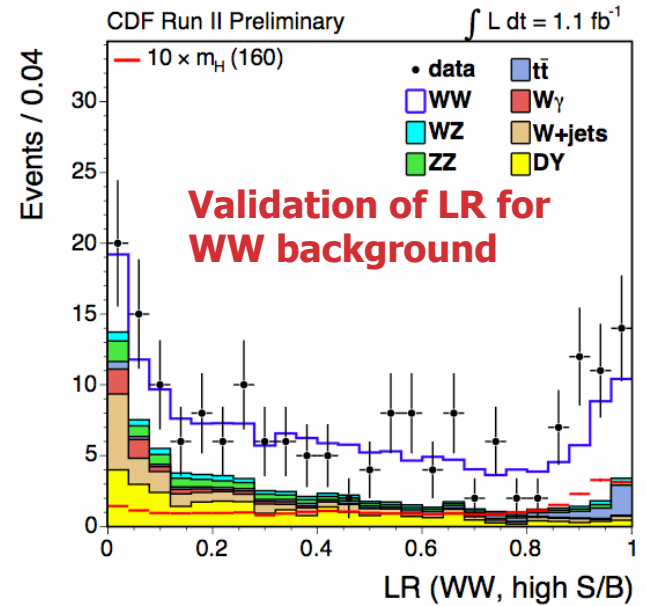


# H → WW\* : matrix element @ CDF



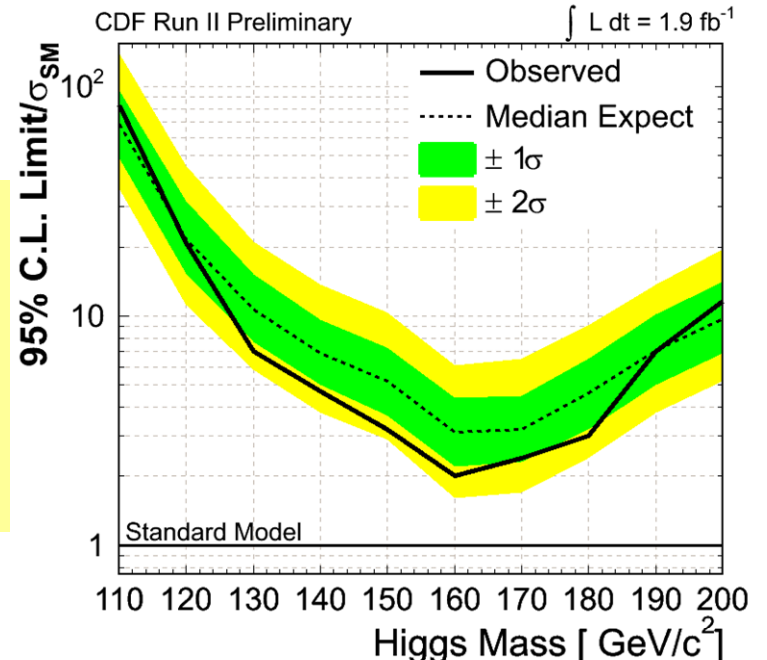
**Likelihood Ratio from Matrix Element probabilities of H → WW, WW, ZZ, W+fakes & conversions**

$$LR = \frac{P_{Higgs}(M_H)}{P_{Higgs}(M_H) + \sum_i f_{bkg,i} P_{bkg,i}}$$



**CDF new result**

- Expected limit < 3.1 times SM
- Observed limit < 2.0 times SM







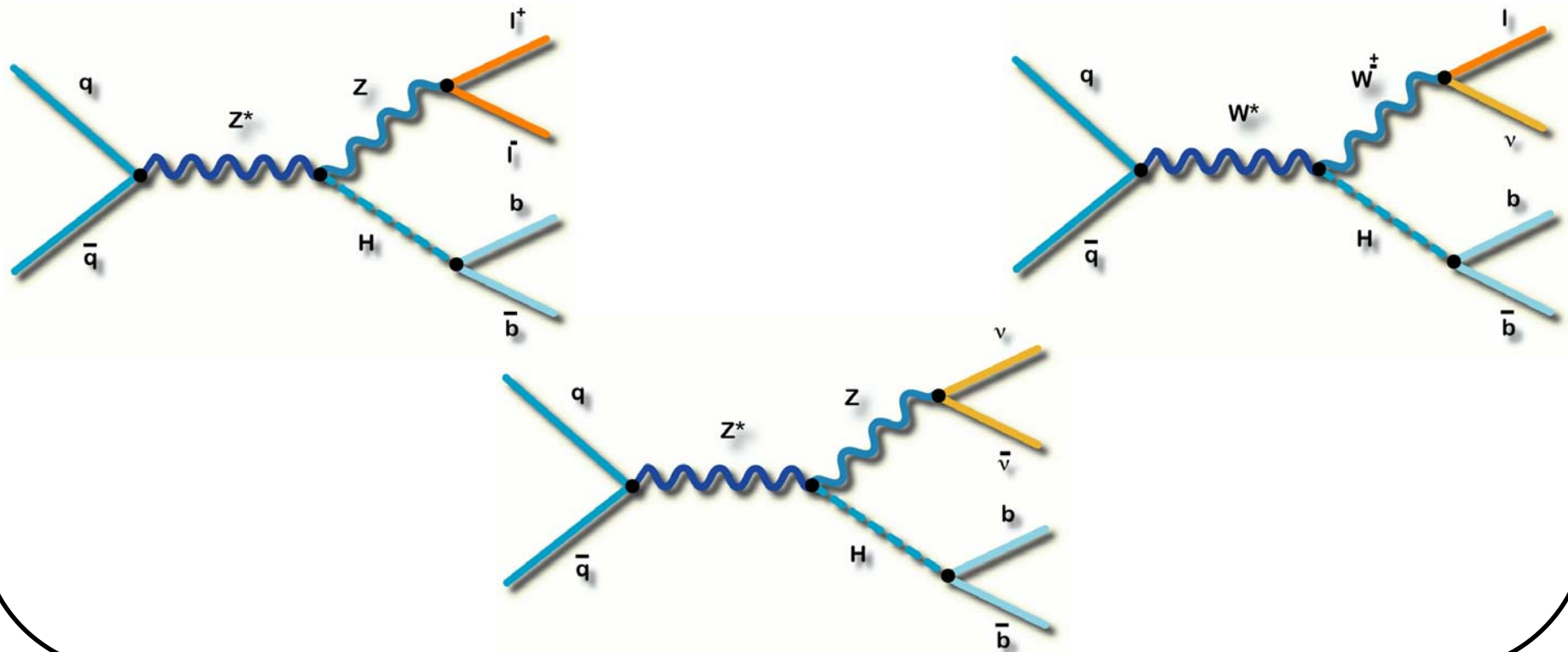
# Associated Higgs Production



## Experimental Signature

Leptonic decay of W/Z bosons provides "handle" for event

Higgs decay to two bottom-quarks helps reduce SM backgrounds







# Event Yields/sensitivity for $H \rightarrow bb$ , with $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

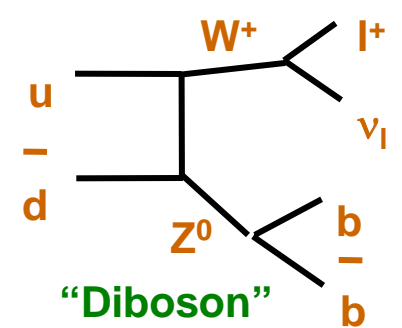
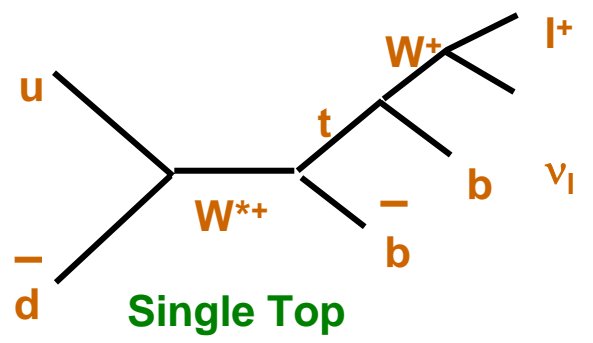
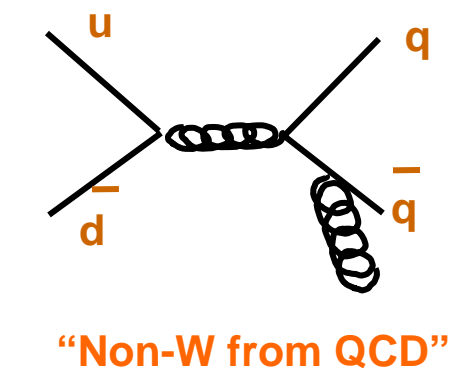
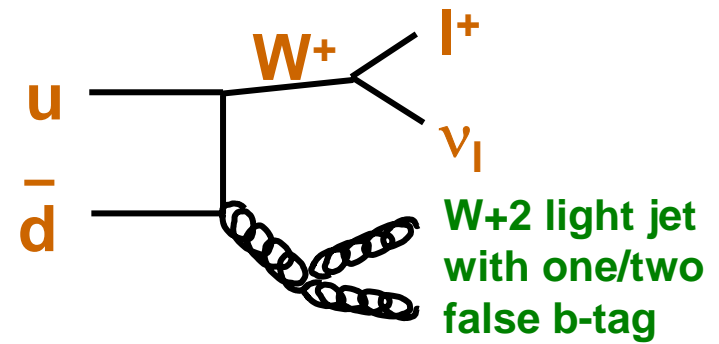
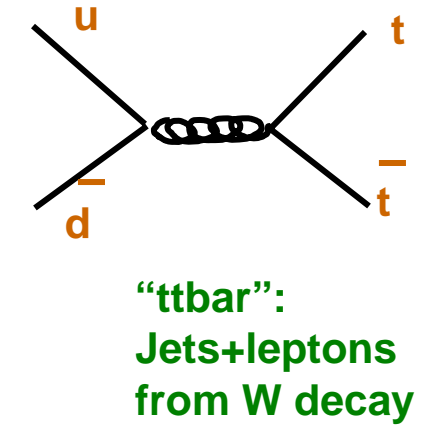
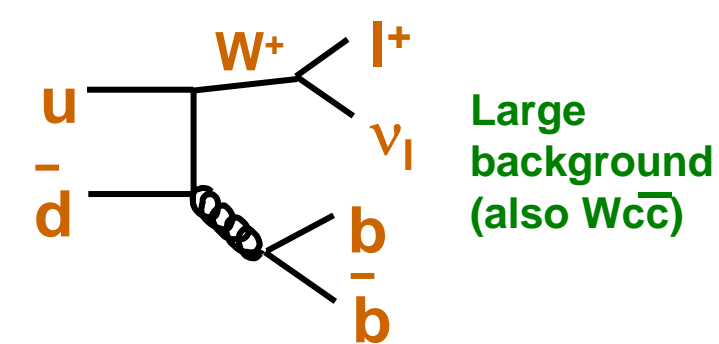
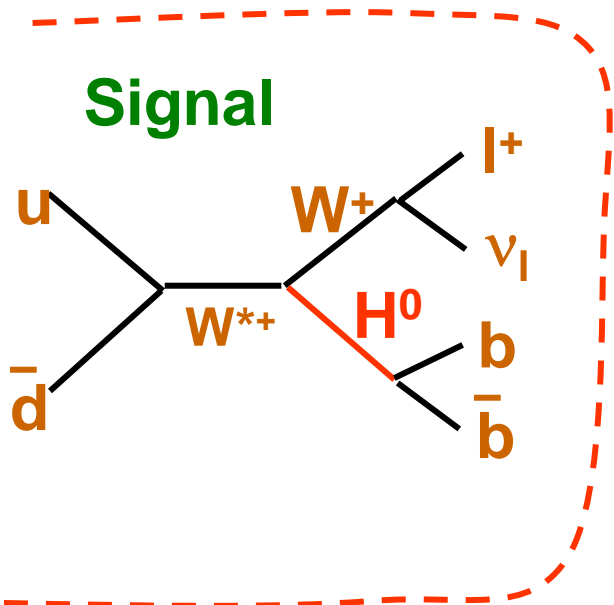


Expected/Observed Events in  $1.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
 $m_H = 115 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $70 < d_j \text{Mass} < 130 \text{ GeV}$

<u>Channel</u>	<u>Signal</u>	<u>Bkqd</u>	<u>Data</u>	<u>S/ sqrt(B)</u>
$WH \rightarrow l \nu bb$ 2Tag	1.45	86.6	91	0.156
$WH \rightarrow l \nu bb$ 1Tag	1.48	365.2	339	0.077
$WH/ZH \rightarrow \text{MET} + bb$	0.83/ 0.54	55.3	63	0.184
$ZH \rightarrow l l bb$	0.37	19.8	17	0.083

$ZH \rightarrow \nu \nu bb$  channel has large cross efficiency from WH signal  
(lost/undetected lepton + hadronic tau decays:  $W \rightarrow \tau \nu$ )  $\rightarrow$  almost as sensitive although cross-section is lower.

# SM Higgs Searches @ Tevatron: $WH \rightarrow l\nu bb$



and “Non-W from EW”, e.g. all  $Zbb$  processes  
In which one lepton is lost

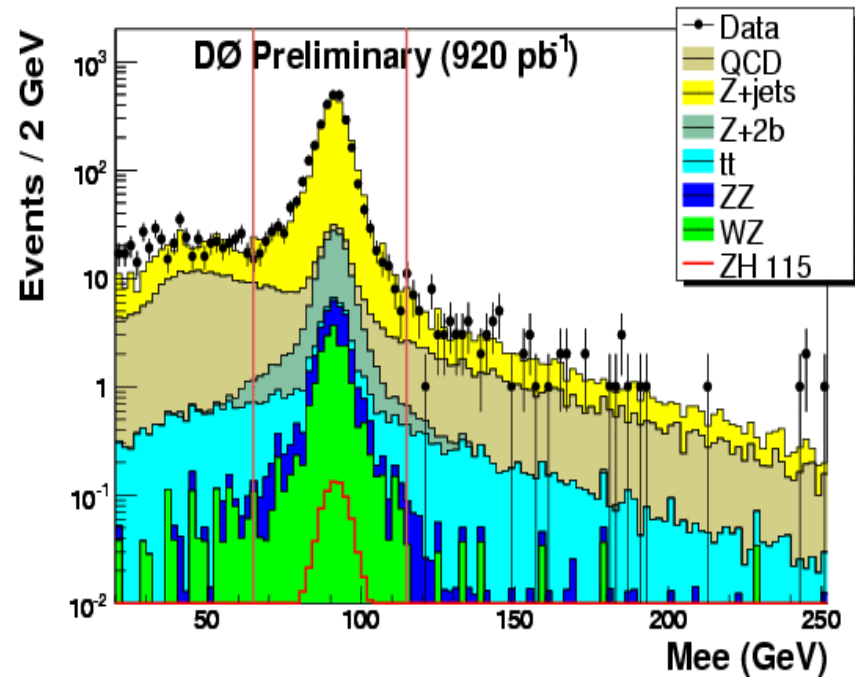
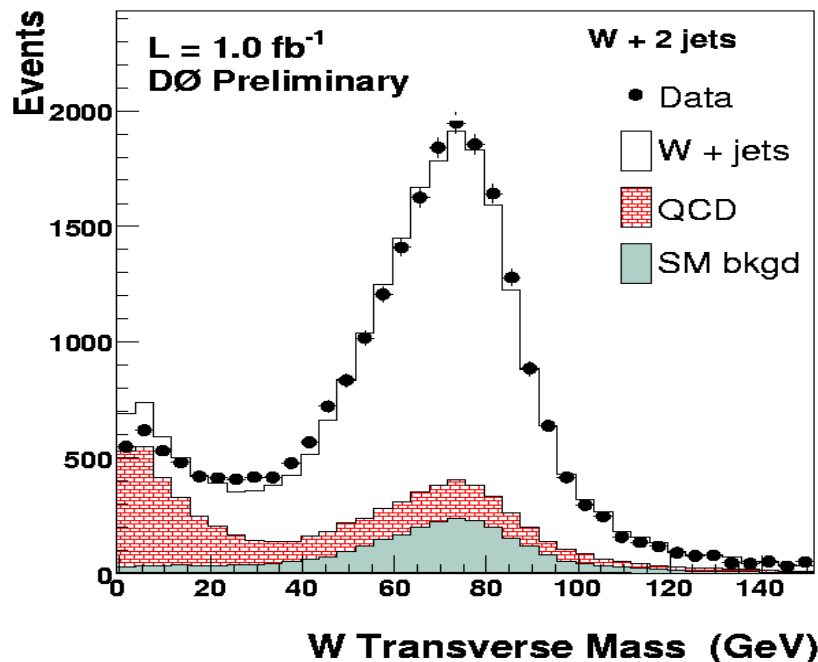


# Selecting $W \rightarrow l\nu bb$ & $ZH \rightarrow llbb$



- x Select events by utilizing vector-boson decay signatures
  - x Require **one(two)** high- $p_T$  leptons:  $p_T > 20(15)$  GeV
  - x Neutrinos manifest as missing transverse energy
    - x  $WH \rightarrow l\nu bb$ : MET > 20 GeV,  $ZH \rightarrow llbb$ : MET *should be small!!!*
  - x Reconstruct vector boson mass
- x Use "OR'ing" of muon triggers: 100% efficiency & +15% in sensitivity

$$M_W^{trans} = \sqrt{2 p_T^l ME_T (1 - \cos(\Delta\phi))}$$





# $W \rightarrow l\nu$ & $ZH \rightarrow ll + \text{Jets}$



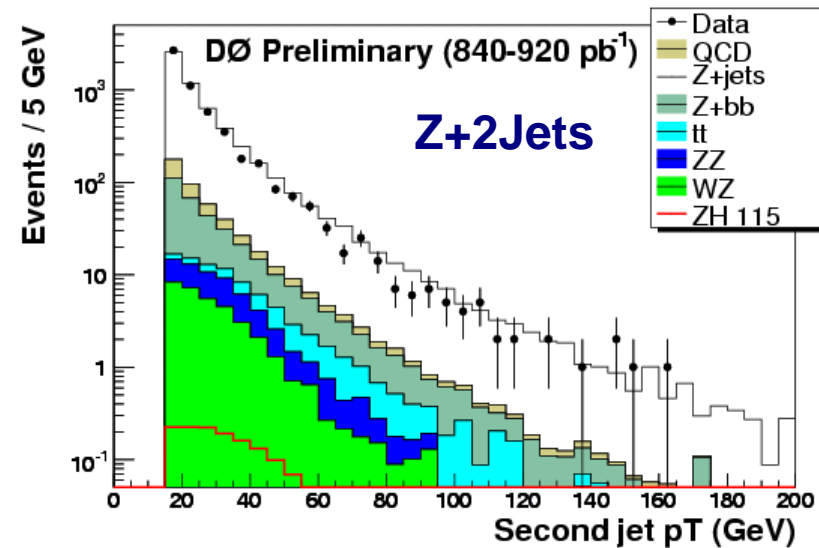
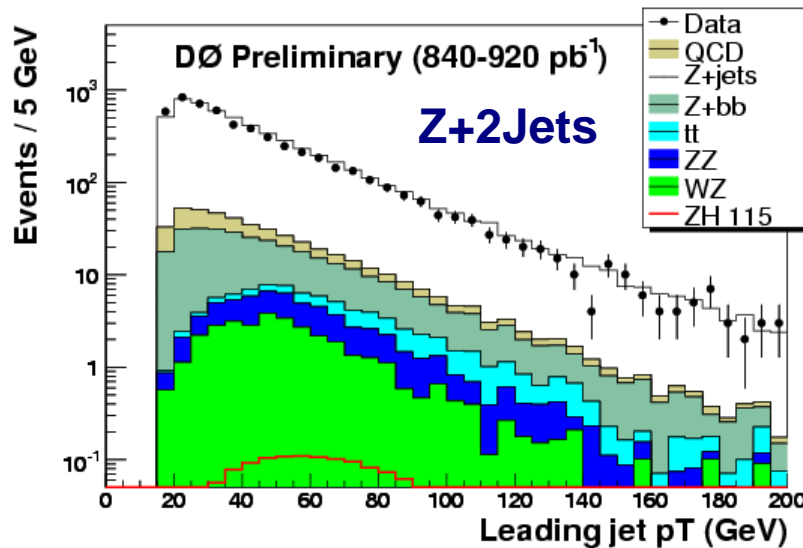
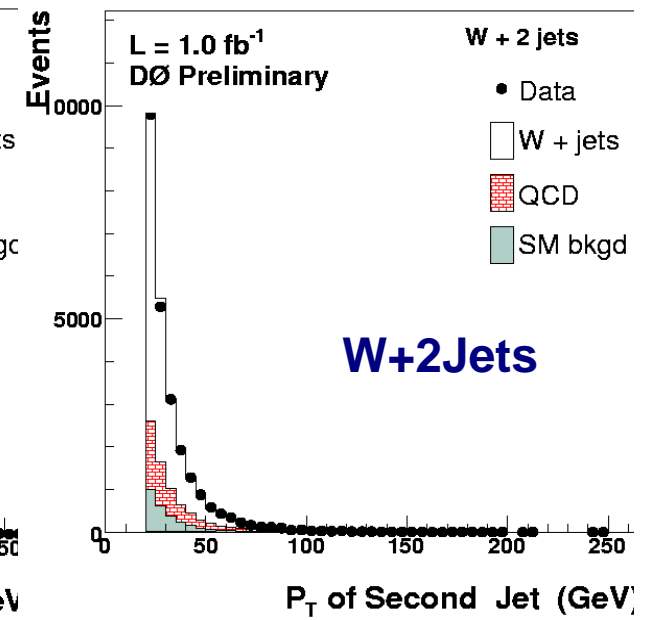
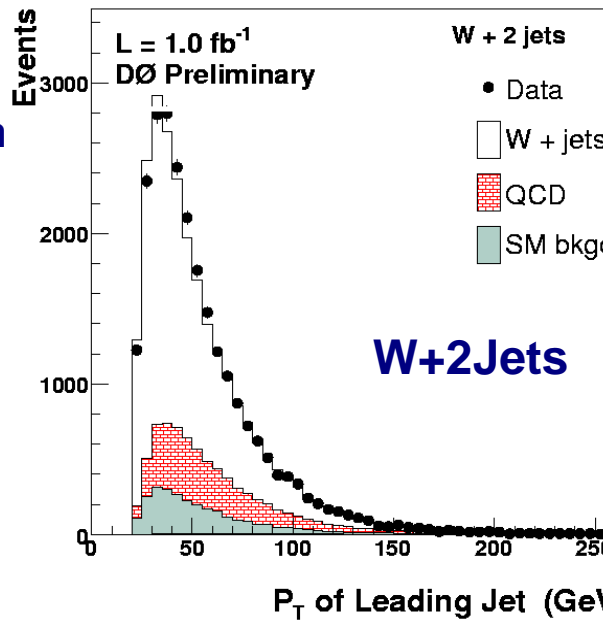
Select high- $p_T$ , central jets as a step towards a Higgs signature

$WH \rightarrow l\nu bb$ :  $p_T > 20$  GeV

$|\eta| < 2.5$

$ZH \rightarrow ll bb$ :  $p_T > 15$  GeV

$|\eta| < 2.5$

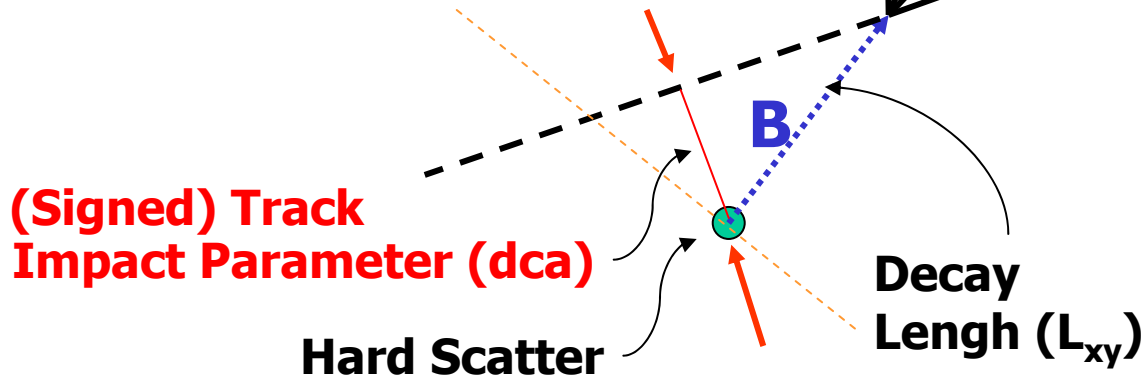




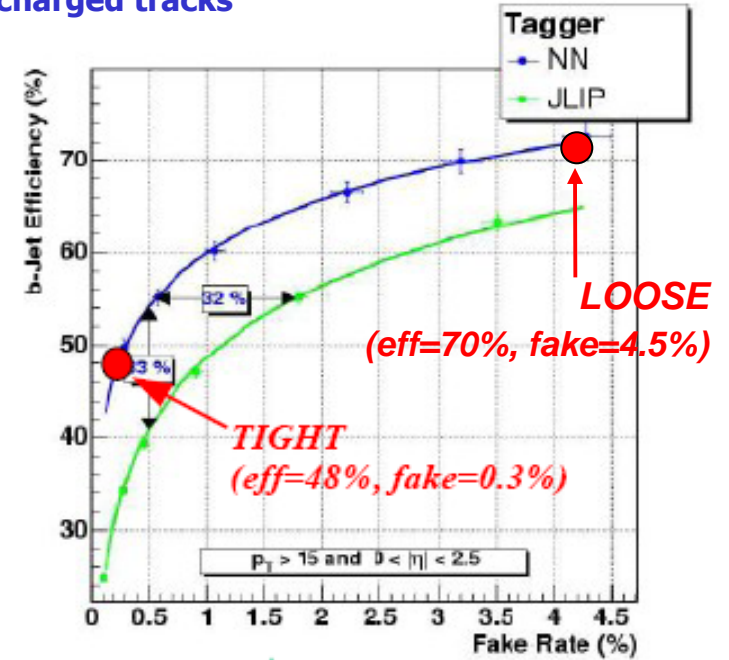
# Tagging b-quarks (B-hadrons)



## Vertex Tagging (transverse plane)



- Top, Higgs have 2 b-quark jets → contains a B hadron<sup>19</sup>
- Travels some distance from the vertex before decaying -With charm cascade decay, about 4.2 charged tracks



Several mature algorithms used:

3 main categories:

- Soft-lepton tagging
- Impact Parameter based
- Secondary Vertex reconstruction

Impact Parameter Resolution

Decay Length Resolution

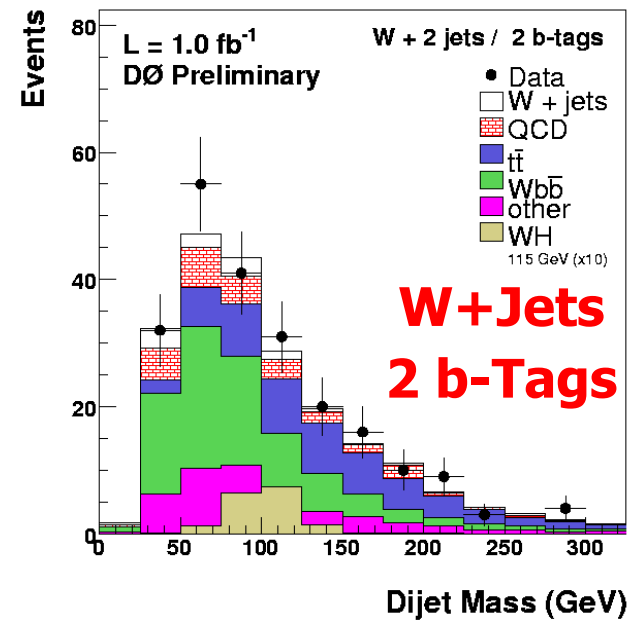
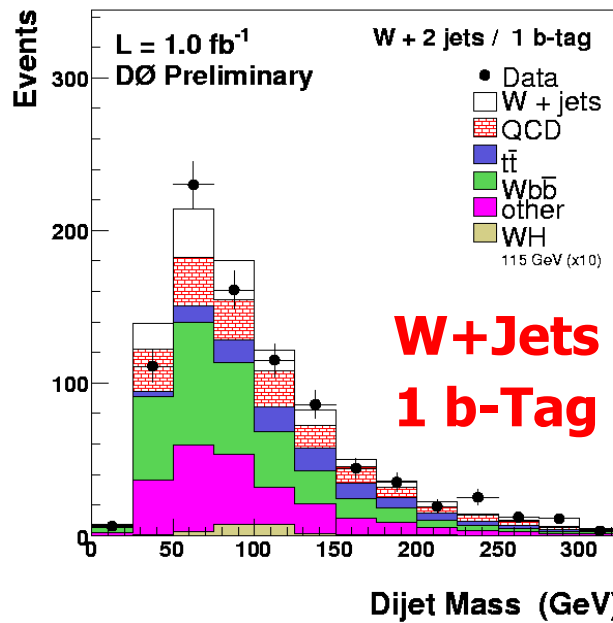
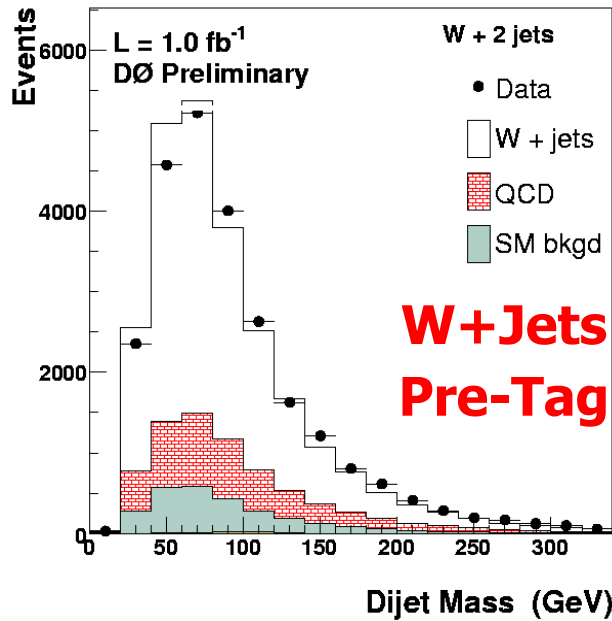
Can analyze separately one b-tag (allowing low mistag) and two b-tag events (allowing larger mistag) to optimize sensitivity

### Combine in Neural Network:

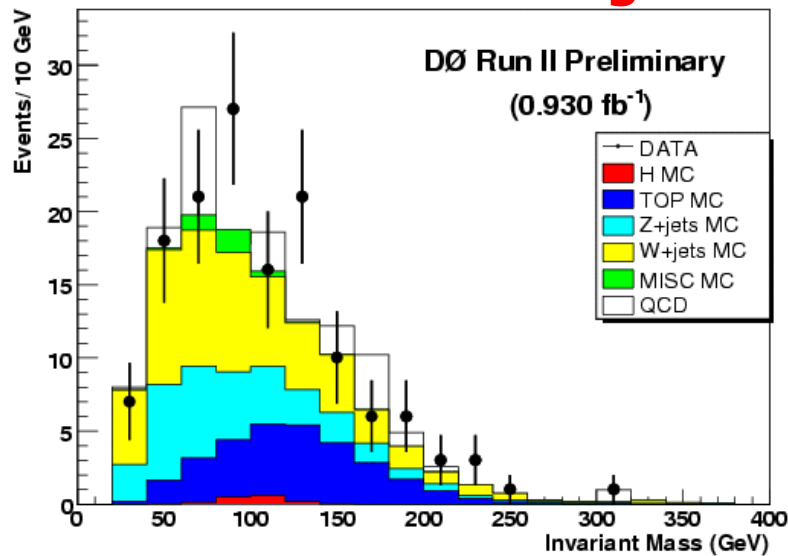
- vertex mass
- vertex number of tracks
- vertex decay length significance
- chi2/DOF of vertex
- number of vertices
- two methods of combined track impact parameter significances



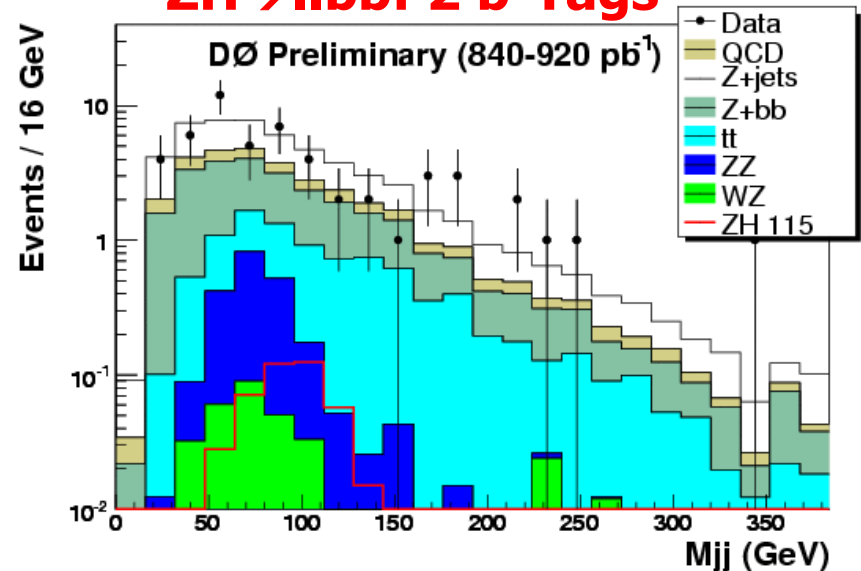
# Selecting $H \rightarrow bb$ Events



## ZH $\rightarrow \nu\nu bb$ : 2 b-Tags



## ZH $\rightarrow ll bb$ : 2 b-Tags



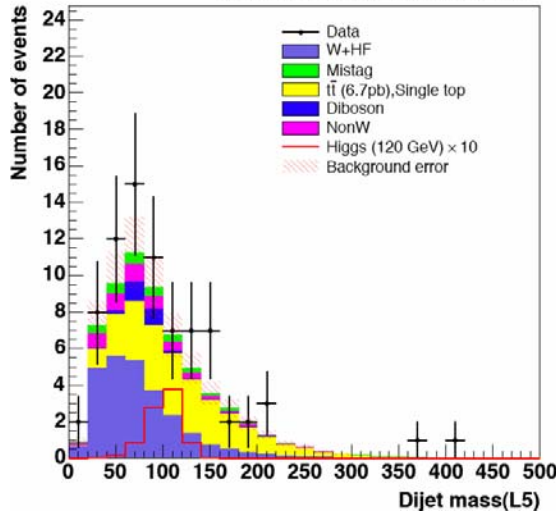




# WH → lνbb / Neural Net @CDF

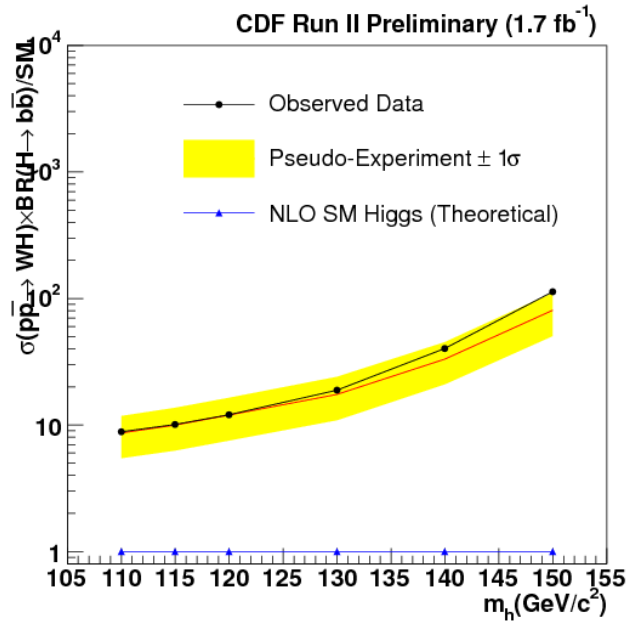
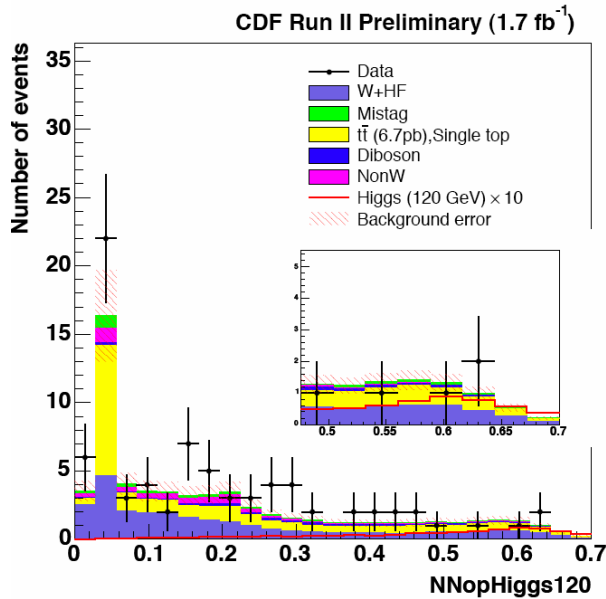
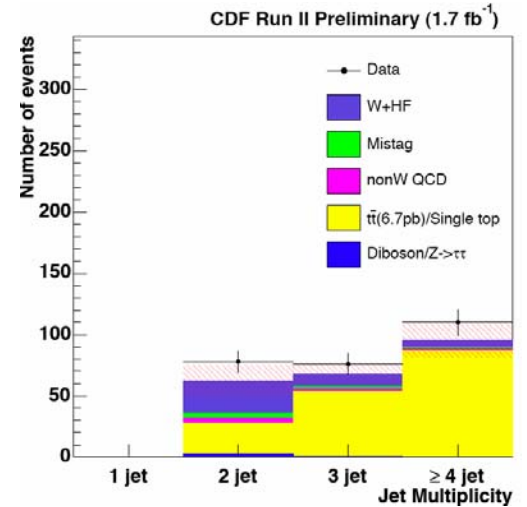


$L = 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Neural Network trained on event kinematics

two exclusive samples using different b tagging algorithms



$m_H = 115 \text{ GeV}$

$$\frac{\sigma_{95}(L = 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1})}{\sigma_{95}(L = 1.0 \text{ fb}^{-1})} \simeq 1.7$$

Sensitivity increased linearly with luminosity:

- more b tagging channels
- Neural Net



# WH → lνbb @ Dzero



1 'tight' b-tag

2 'loose' b-tags

$$L = 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

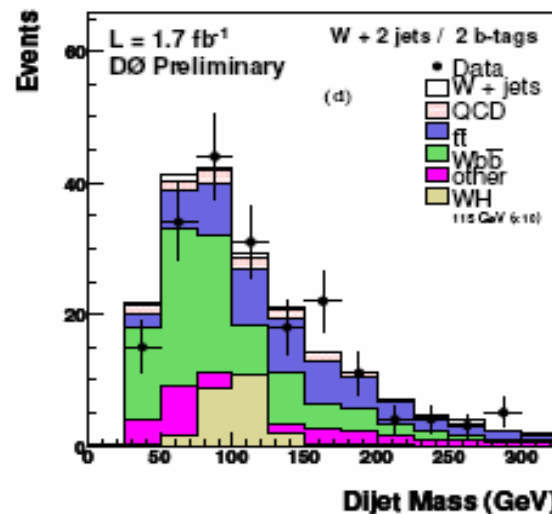
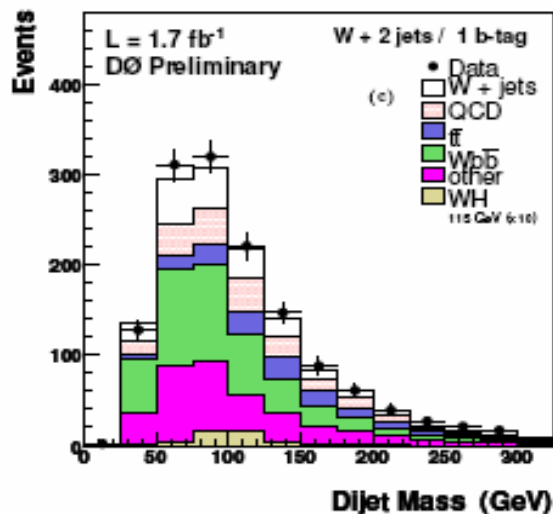
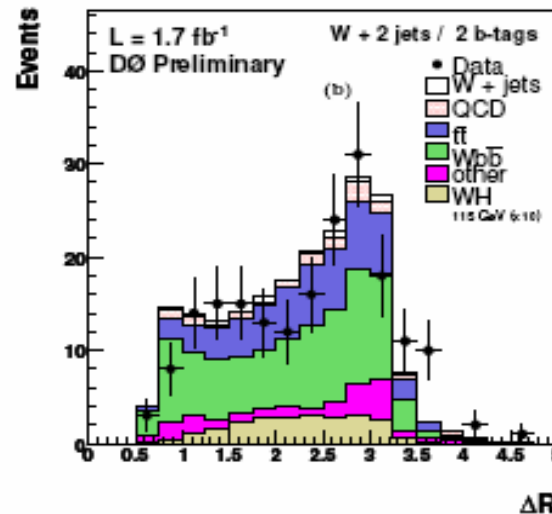
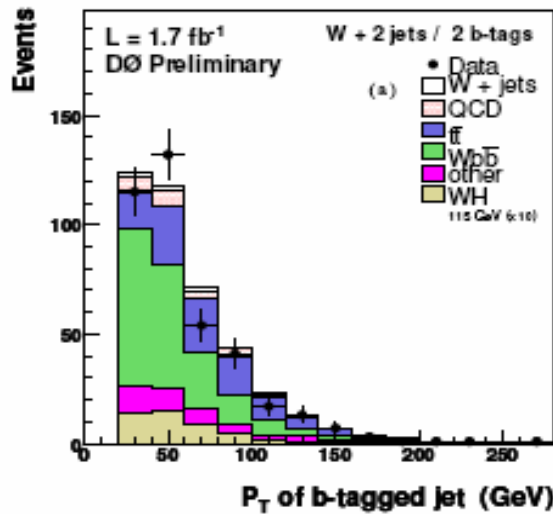
Four samples:

- electron, muon
- 1 b tag, 2 b tags

major background:

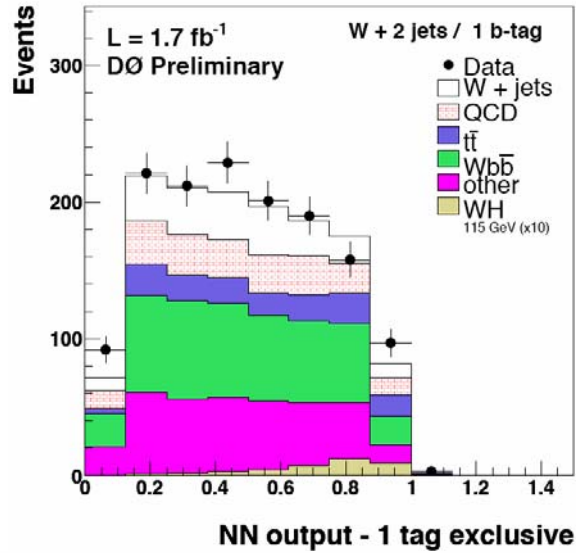
- W plus b-jets
- top pairs

variables used to train Neural Net



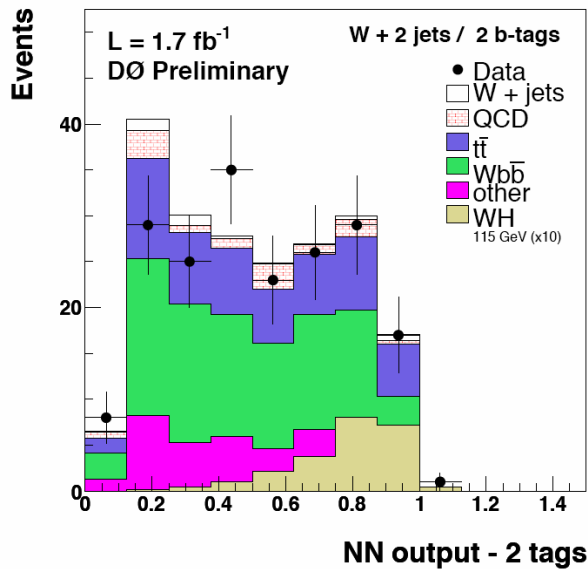


# WH → lνbb / Neural Net @ Dzero

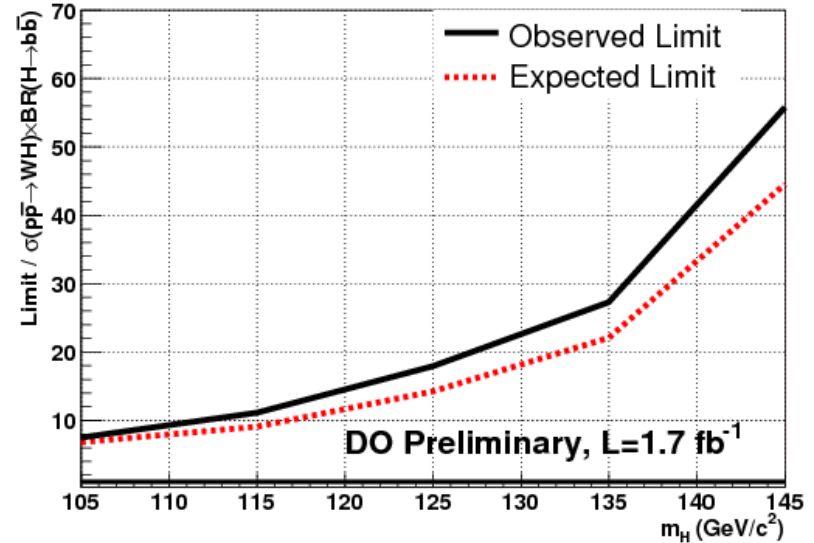


1 b-tag (excl.)

Limit setting using NN output distributions



2 b-tags



$m_H = 115 \text{ GeV}$

**CDF**  
exp / obs

**DØ**  
exp / obs

$\sigma_{95}/\text{SM}$

10.0 / 10.1

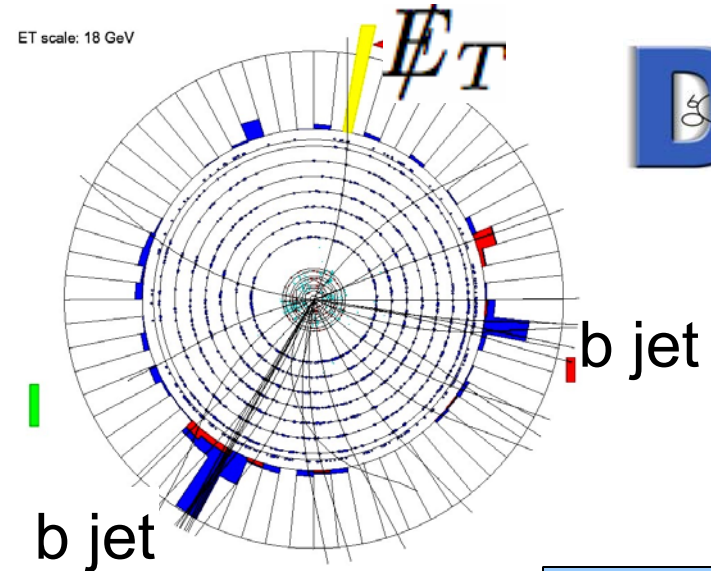
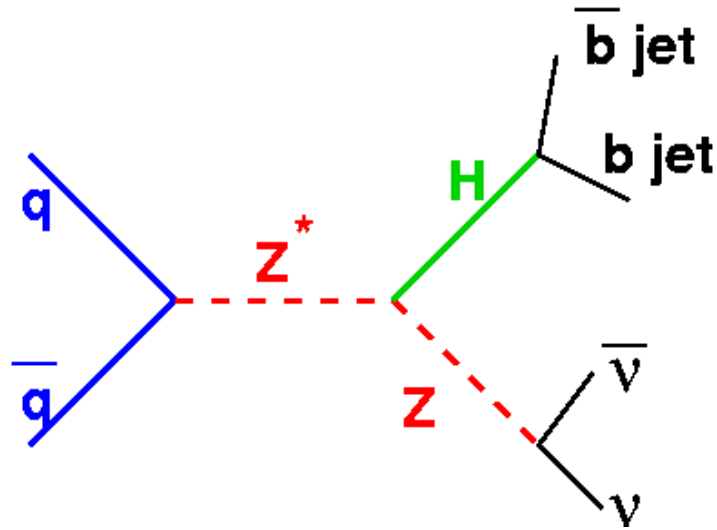
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# ZH → ννbb (WH → ℓνbb) searches



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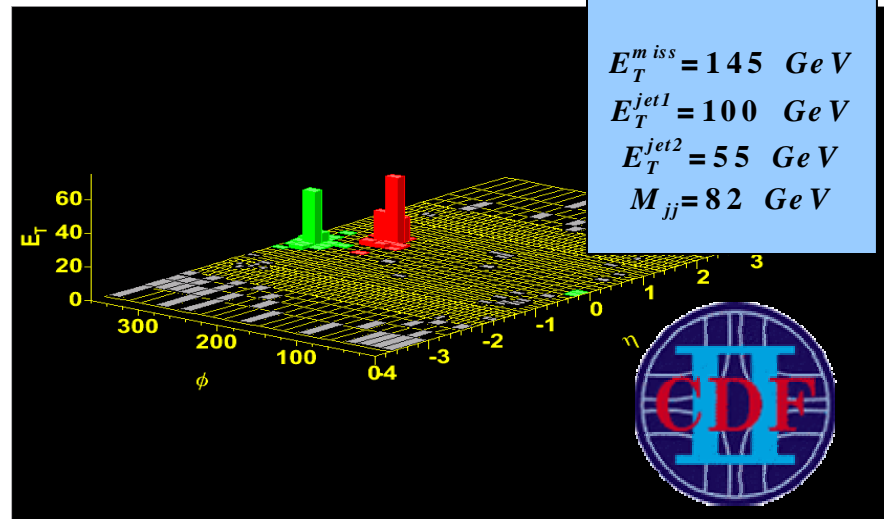


## Basic selection:

- two acoplanar jets
- $\geq 1$  tagged b-jets (CDF)  
2 tagged b-jets (DØ)
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 70 \text{ GeV}$  (CDF)  
50 GeV (DØ)

CDF Candidate:

$E_T^{\text{miss}} = 145 \text{ GeV}$   
 $E_T^{\text{jet1}} = 100 \text{ GeV}$   
 $E_T^{\text{jet2}} = 55 \text{ GeV}$   
 $M_{jj} = 82 \text{ GeV}$





# ZH $\rightarrow \nu\nu bb$ / Dijet mass



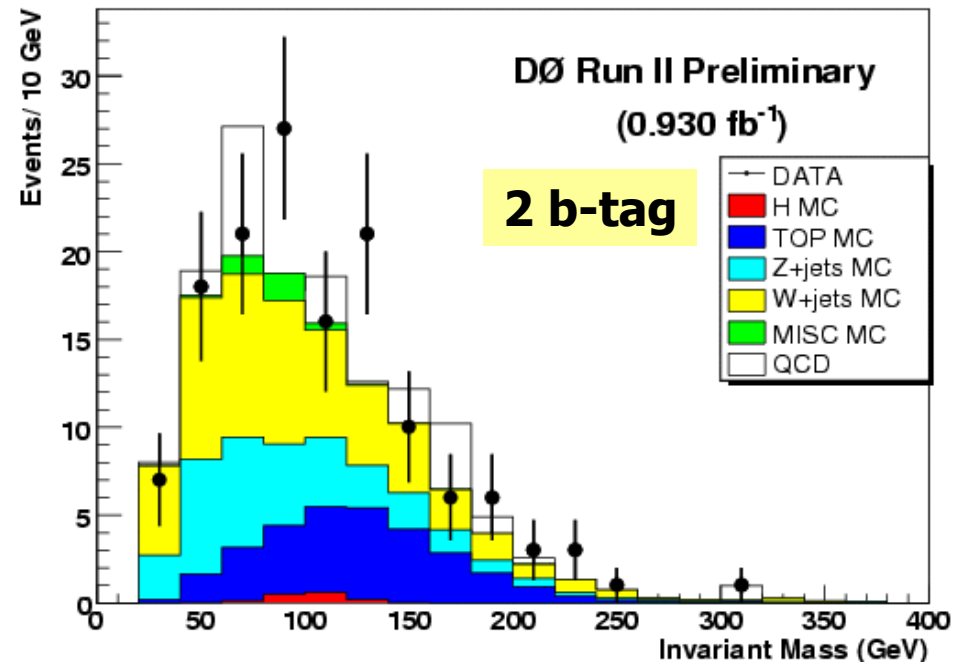
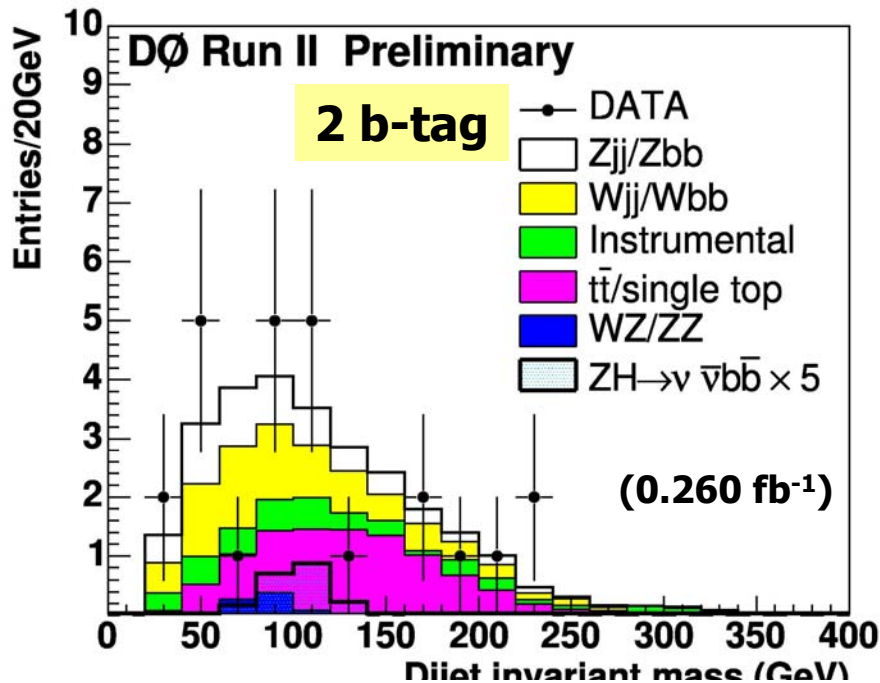
Improved event selection includes:

- Two acoplanar jets with:
- $E_T > 20$  GeV
- $E_T^{miss} > 50$  GeV
- Sum of scalar jet  $E_T < 240$  GeV

Same analysis used for WH  $\rightarrow l\nu bb$  with missed lepton  $\rightarrow$  improves the combined WH limit

Increased statistics compared to our previous result on 0.26 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Bkgd. composition (%)	
Wjj/Wbb	30
Zjj/Zbb	20
Instrumental	15
Top	32
WZ/ZZ	3





# ZH → ν ν bb / @CDF



## Backgrounds :

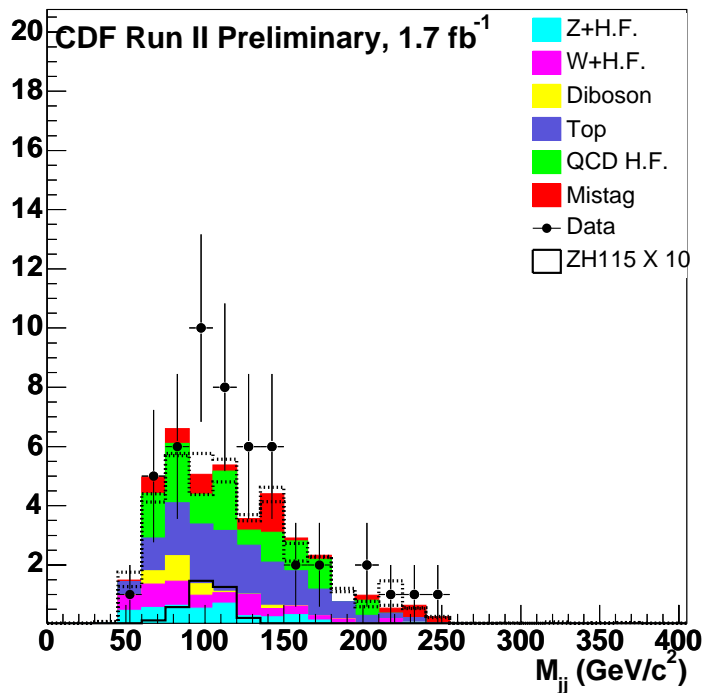
- W+heavy flavour jets
- Z +heavy flavour jets
- top pairs

Similar expected sensitivity as WH channel:

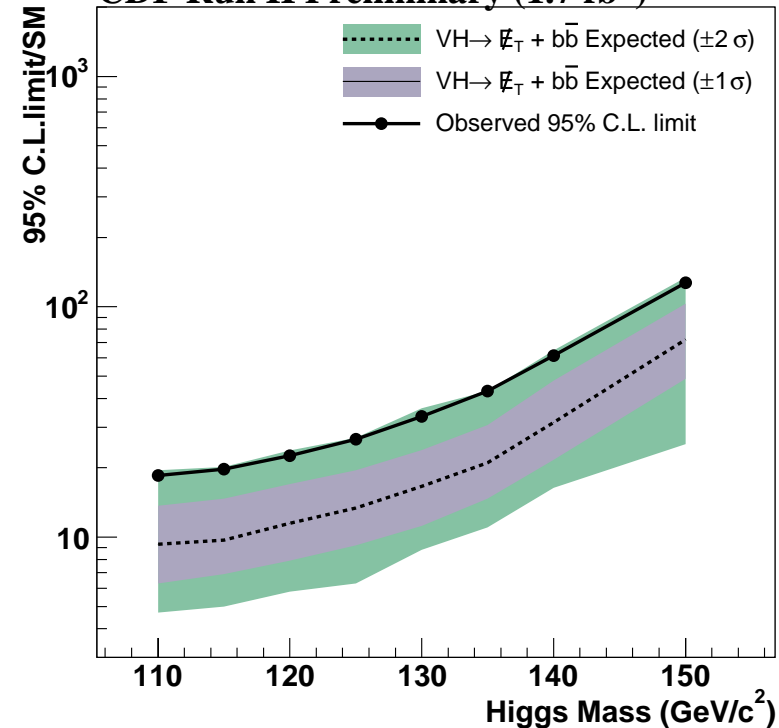
$$m_H=115 \text{ GeV: } \sigma_{95}/SM= 9.7 \text{ (exp)}$$

$$=19.7 \text{ (obs)}$$

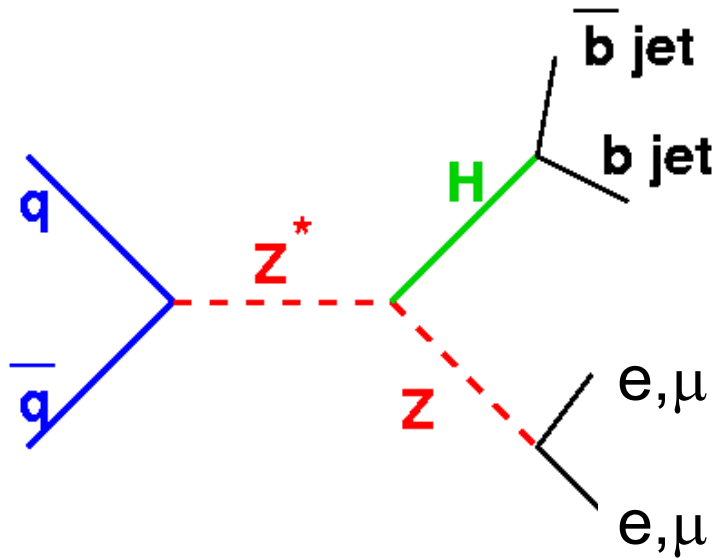
Dijet Mass, SR, L+L  $L = 1.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



CDF Run II Preliminary (1.7 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

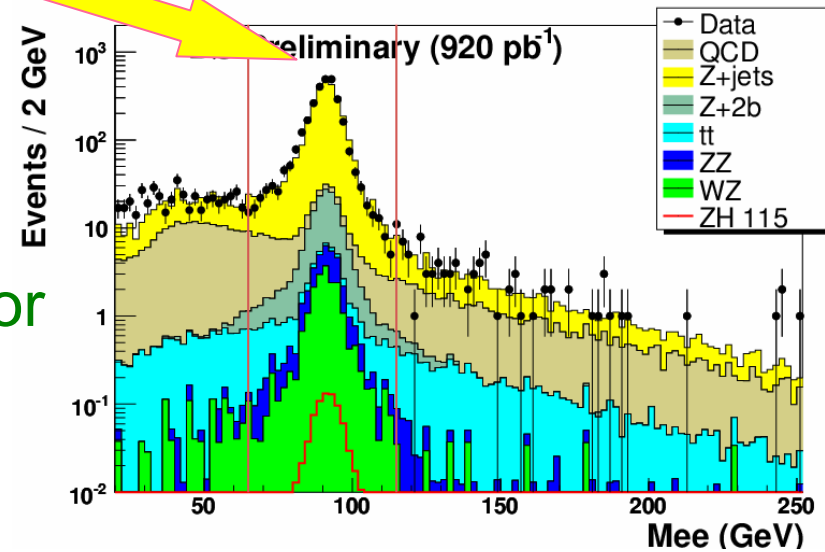






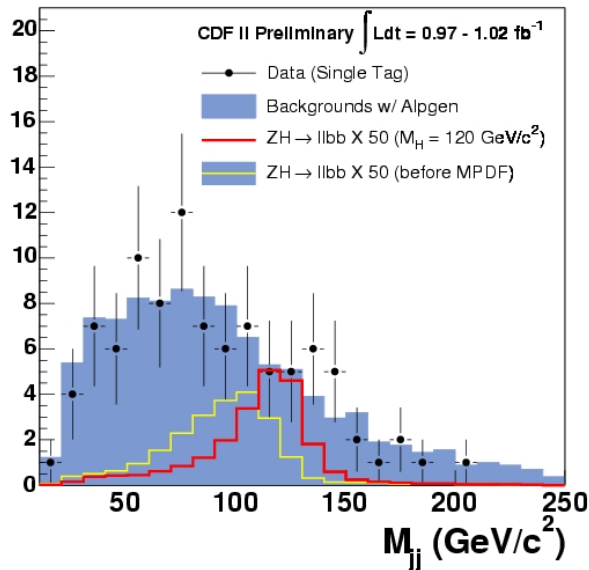
## Basic selection:

- require two isolated muons or electrons in Z mass window
- one or two tagged b jets





# ZH → llbb / 2D NN @ CDF



Separate NN trained to reject 2 main backgrnd processes:



### Reduce backgrounds:

split data into 2 loose b-tags and 1 tight single b-tag

### improve dijet mass resolution

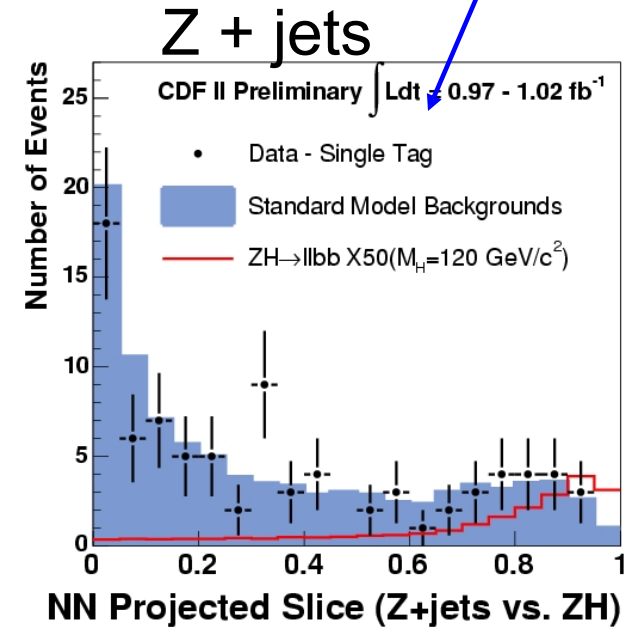
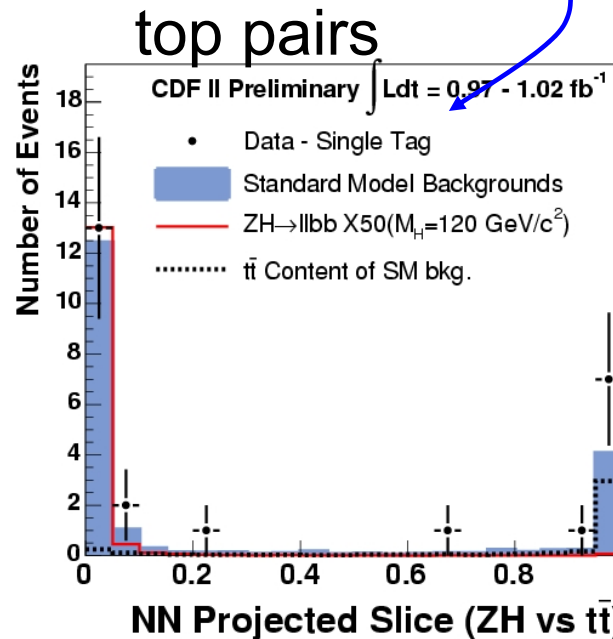
Corrects jets based on their MET projection

- no real MET in Z+jets

Improves dijet mass resolution

- from 17% to 10%

Results in 30% effective luminosity increase



M=115 GeV: CDF  $\sigma_{95/SM} = 16(\text{exp}), 16(\text{obs})$   
Dzero  $\sigma_{95/SM} = 18(\text{exp}), 20(\text{obs})$



# Limit Setting



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**LEP:** low background, small systematics  
**Tevatron/LHC:** high background, large systematics

**Background only (b) and signal plus background (s+b) hypotheses are compared to data using Poisson likelihoods.**

**Probability density function is obtained through Gaussian smearing.**

**Systematic uncertainties are included in the likelihood ('profile likelihood')**

**Background is constrained by maximising profile likelihood ('sideband fitting').**



# Combining the results



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**Tevatron experiments use LEP  $CL_s$  (modified frequentist) and Bayesian methods**

**Systematics, including correlations, taken into account:**

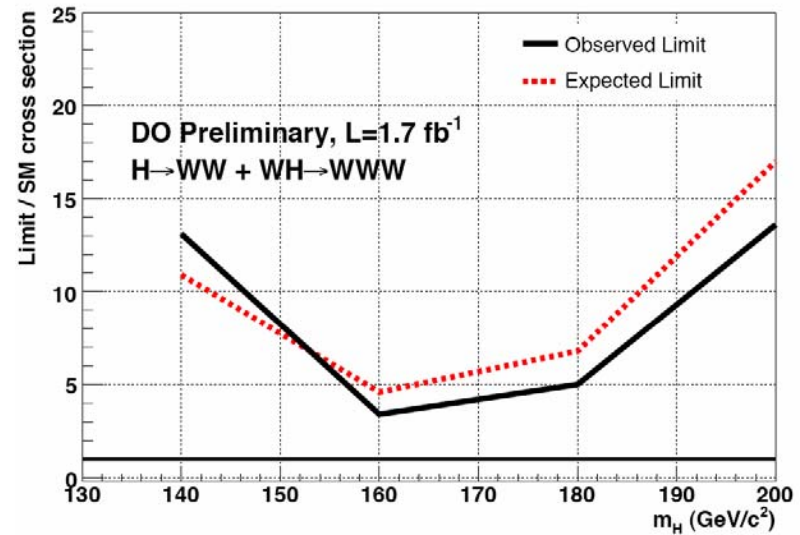
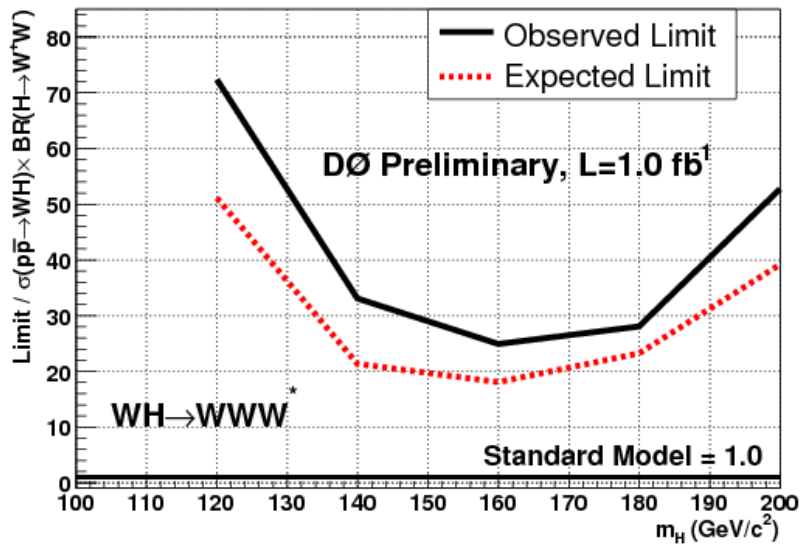
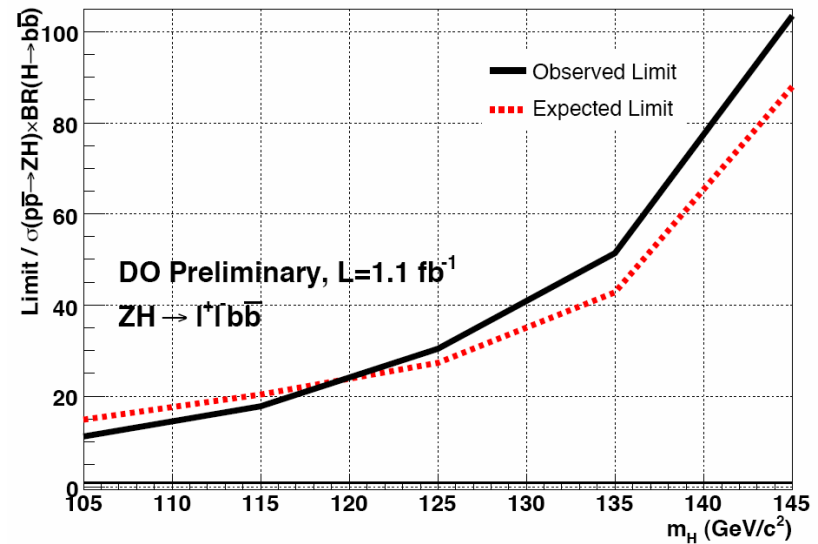
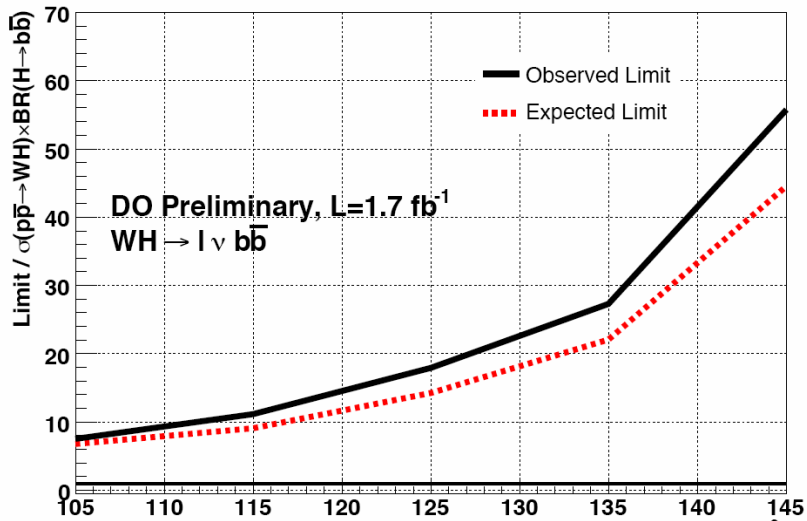
**Main systematics (depending on channel):**

- **luminosity and normalisation**
- **QCD background estimates**
- **input background cross-sections**
- **jet energy scale and b-tagging**
- **lepton identification**

**Limit setting approaches agree to within 10%**

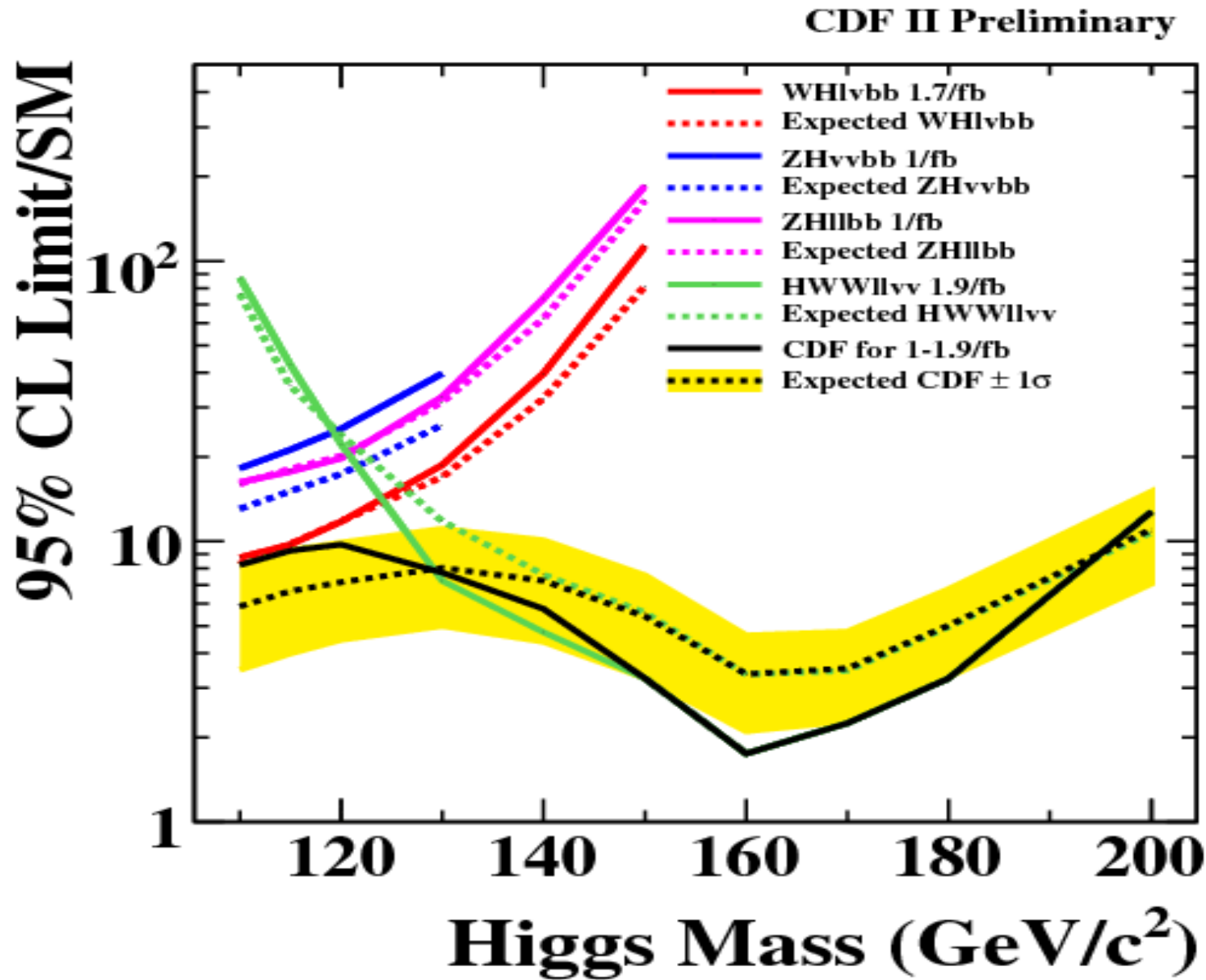


# DØ Channels





# CDF Combination



- new CDF  
vvbb result  
not included  
yet

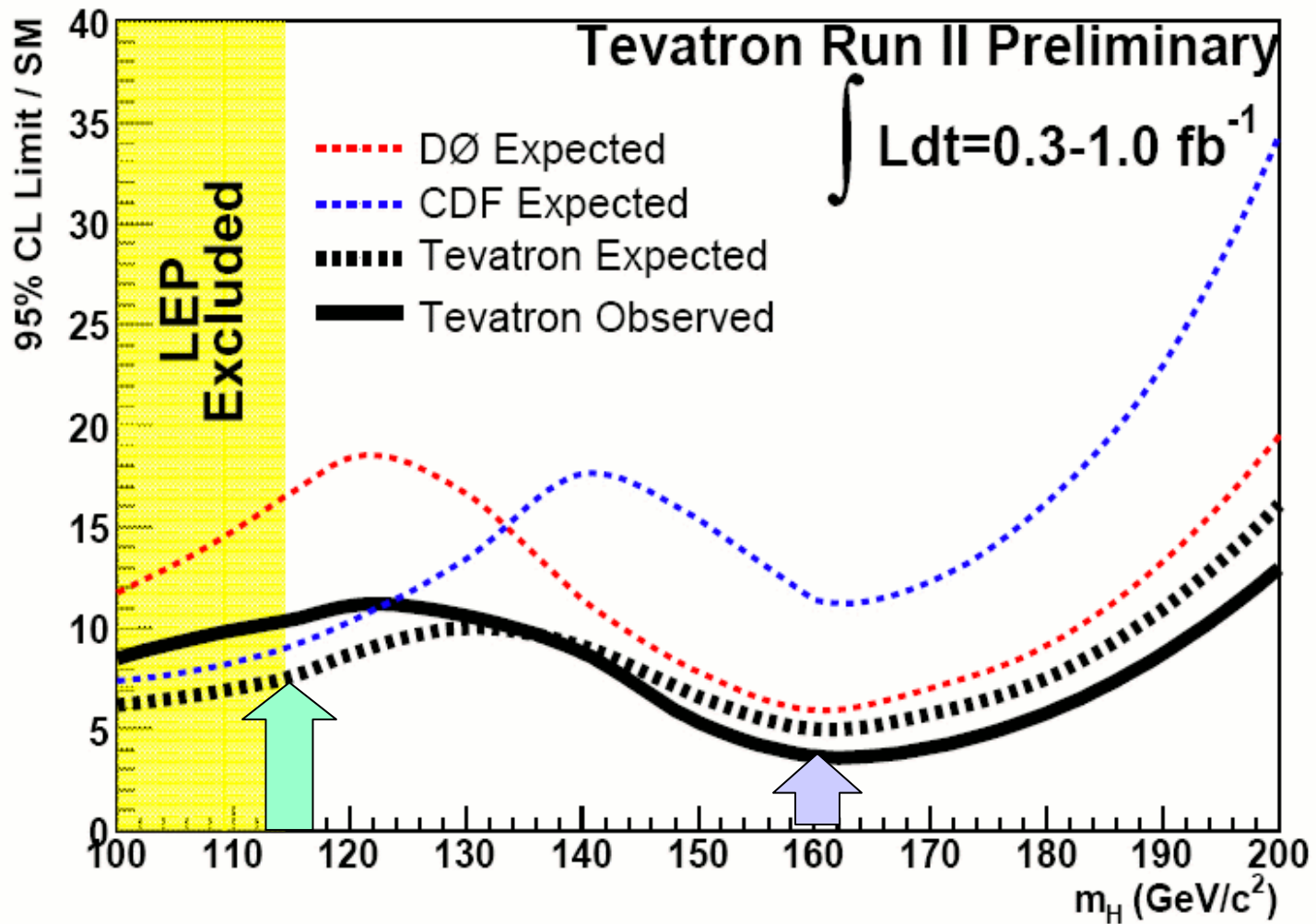




# SUMMER 2006



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**$7.6 \times \text{SM}$  at  $m_H = 115 \text{ GeV}$**

Expected Ratios to SM

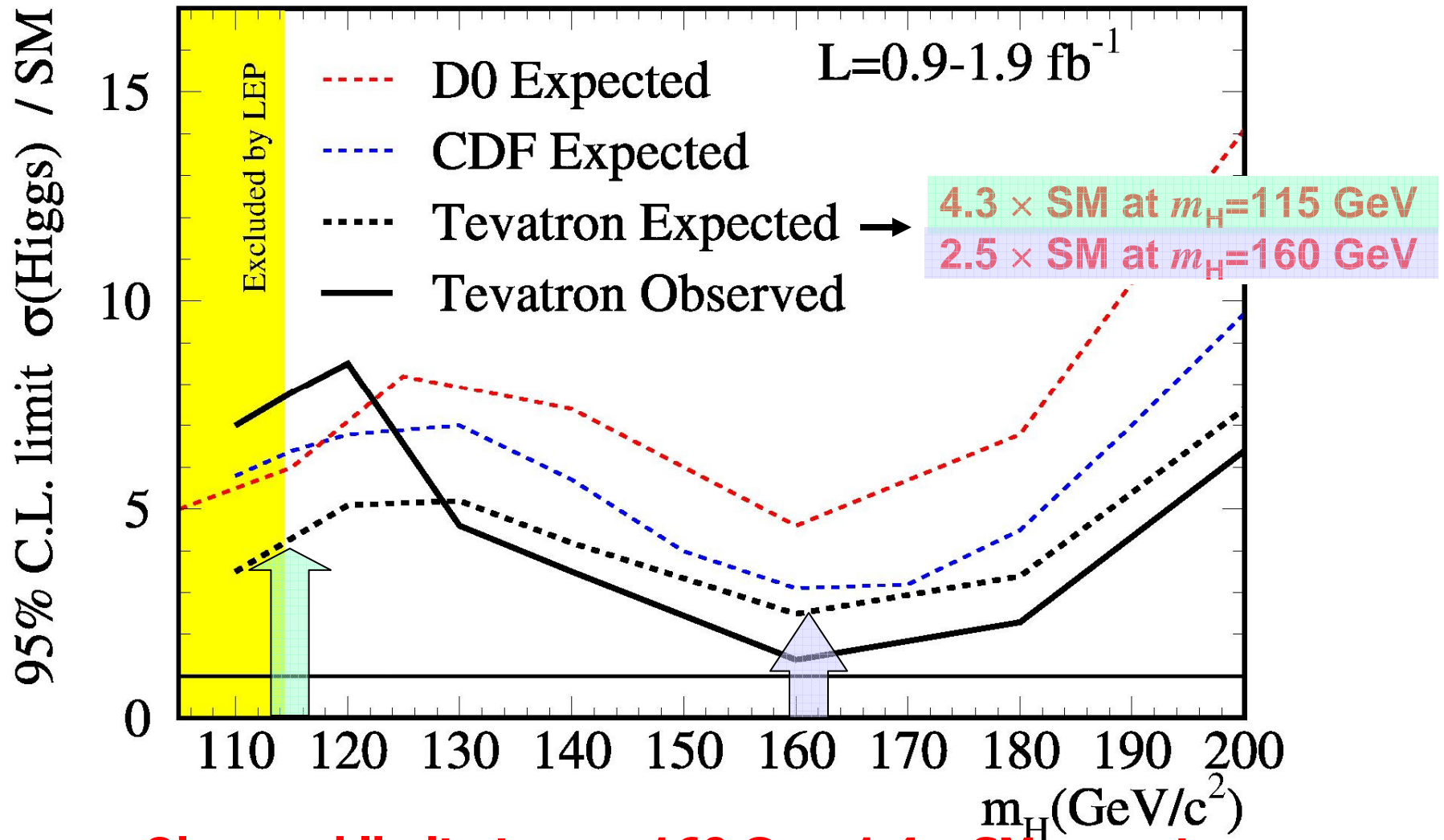
**$5.0 \times \text{SM}$  at  $m_H = 160 \text{ GeV}$**



# SUMMER 2007



## Tevatron Run II Preliminary



**Observed limit at  $m_H = 160 \text{ GeV}$ :  $1.4 \times \text{SM}$  expect.**  
**→ could be excluded at Moriond 2008**



# SM Higgs Summary



**First time with essentially complete result**

**All channels have been analyzed with  $>1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data**

**Full impact of systematics uncertainties is included**

**Analyses are steadily improving due to optimization**

**Combined limit looks very promising**

**High mass region benefits a lot from  $H \rightarrow WW^*$  type analyses (H and WH production), but low mass as well, as low as 120 GeV  $\rightarrow$  enhanced sensitivity at low mass.**

**Our outlook for the future looks very interesting**

**LHC experiments has work hard to get the signal before Tevatron, if the Higgs is light ( $<130 \text{ GeV}$ )**

**But the Tevatron has insight also if it is close to 160 GeV and can exclude at 95%CL from 115 to 185 GeV.**

**Barring accidents, the Tevatron could have evidence by 2009-2010, if it's there as the Standard Model predicts**

**If not, maybe it is a Supersymmetric Higgs !**

# Higgs Bosons in the MSSM

Minimal Super-Symmetric Model

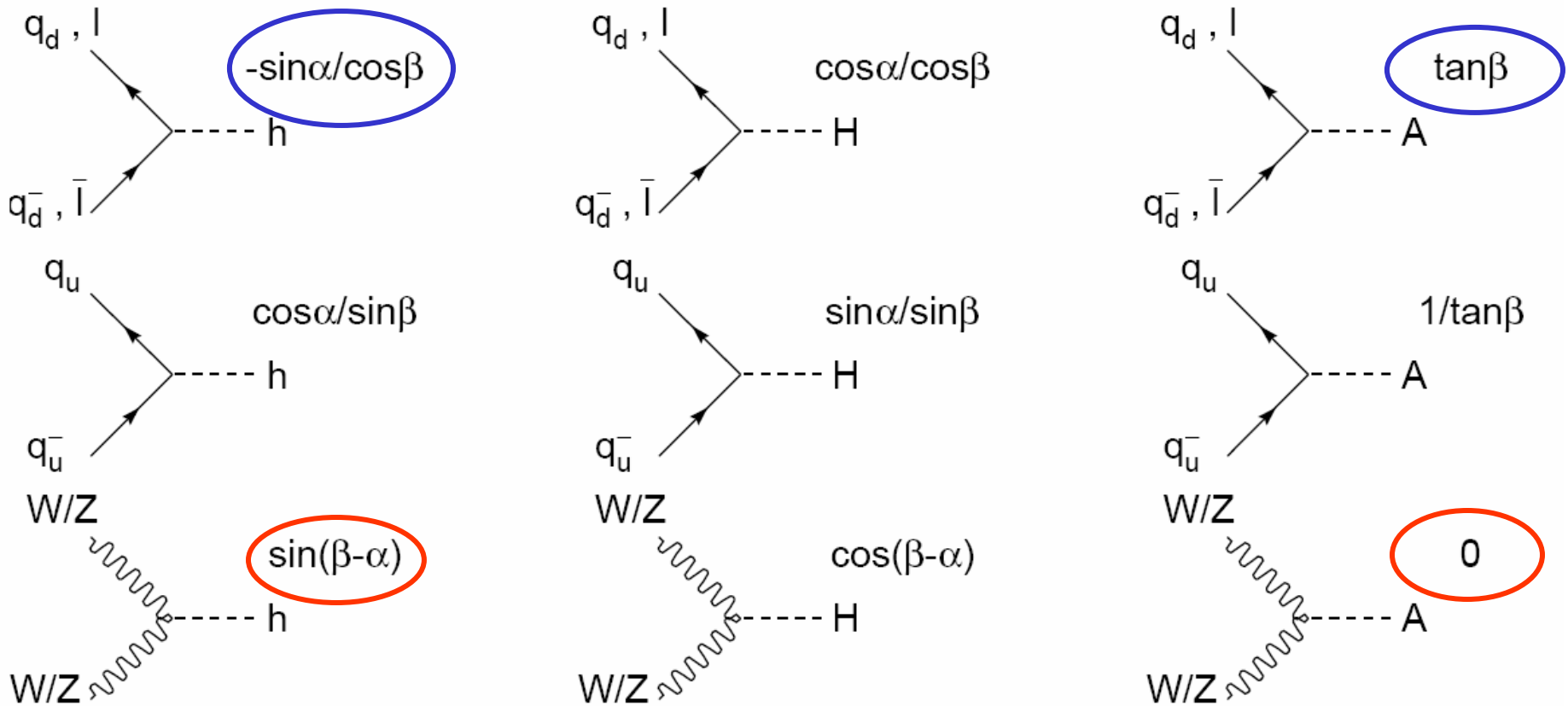
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- **Two Complex Higgs Doublets** needed to avoid anomalies
- **Eight Degrees of Freedom** minus  $W^{+,-}$ ,  $Z^0$  longitudinal polarization states  $\rightarrow$  **five scalars** predicted:  $h, H, A, H^+, H^-$
- **CP-conserving models:**  $h, H$  are CP-even,  $A$  is CP-odd
- **At tree-level, two independent Parameters:**
  - $m_A$
  - $\tan\beta$  = ratio of VEV's
  - $M_{\text{SUSY}}$  (parameterizes squark, gaugino masses)
  - $X_t$  (related to the trilinear coupling  $A_t$ )  $\rightarrow$  stop mixing)
  - $M_2$  (gaugino mass term)
  - $\mu$  (Higgs mass parameter)
  - $m_{\text{gluino}}$  (comes in via loops)

**These 5 parameters intervene via radiative corrections, we study 2x2 scenarios  $\rightarrow$**   
(cf M. Carena et al., hep-ph/051123)

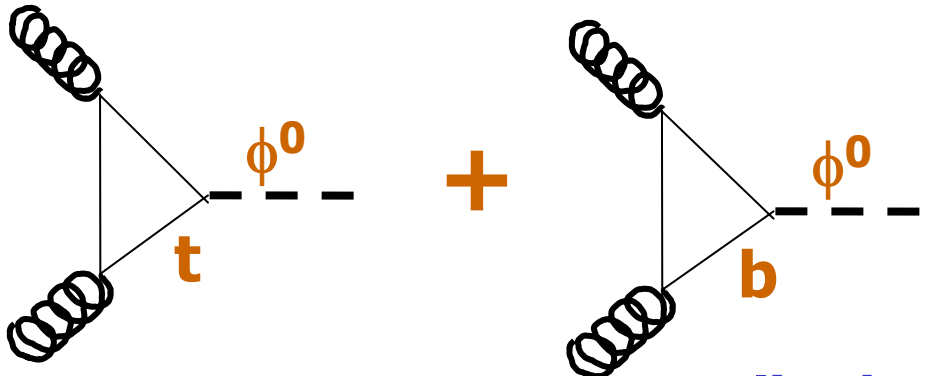
	$m_{\text{H}}\text{-max}$	no-mixing
$M_{\text{SUSY}}$	1 TeV	2 TeV
$X_t$	2 TeV	0
$M_2$	200 GeV	200 GeV
$\mu$	$\pm 200$ GeV	$\pm 200$ GeV
$m_{\text{g}}$	800 GeV	1600 GeV

# Couplings of MSSM Higgs Relative to SM



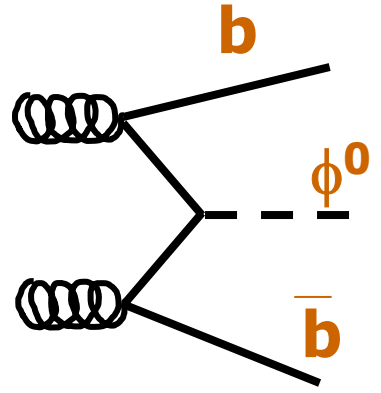
**W and Z couplings to H, h are suppressed relative to SM (but the sum of squares of  $h^0, H^0$  couplings are the SM coupling). Yukawa couplings can be enhanced at high  $\tan\beta$**

# MSSM Higgs Production Mechanisms



Amplitude  $\propto 1/\tan\beta$   
**suppressed!**

Amplitude  $\propto \tan\beta$   
**enhanced!**



Amplitude  $\propto \tan\beta$   
**enhanced!**

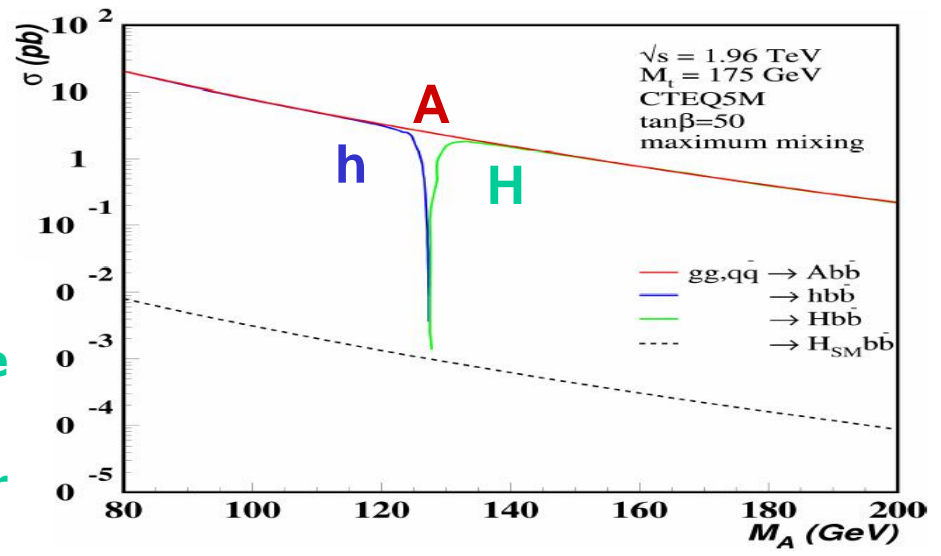
at high  $\tan\beta$ ,  $\sigma(h,A+X) \propto \tan^2\beta$

Interesting feature of many MSSM scenarios:  $[m_h, m_H] \approx m_A$  at high  $\tan\beta$

$Br(A^0 \rightarrow bb) \sim 90\%$  and  $Br(A^0 \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-) \sim 10\%$   
 almost independent of  $\tan\beta$  (some gg too).

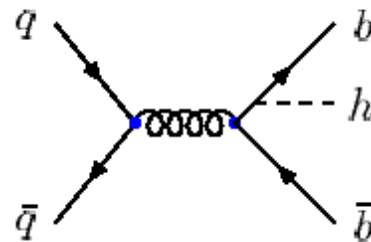
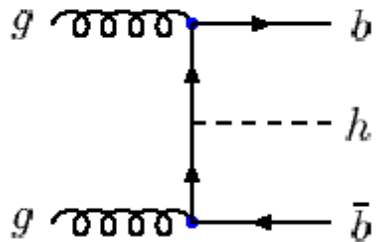
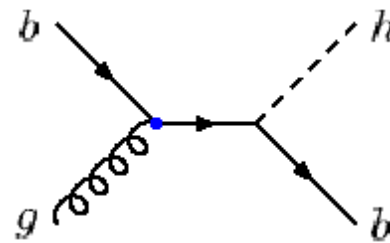
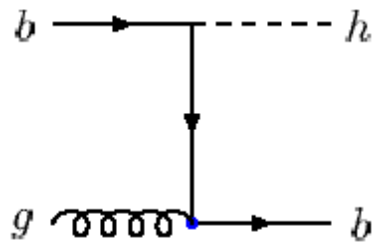
Our two benchmark scenarios:

- **$m_h$ -max:** Higgs boson mass  $m_h$  close to the maximum possible value for a given  $\tan\beta$
- **no-mixing:** vanishing mixing in stop sector  $\rightarrow$  small mass for h.





# Associated SUSY-Higgs Production



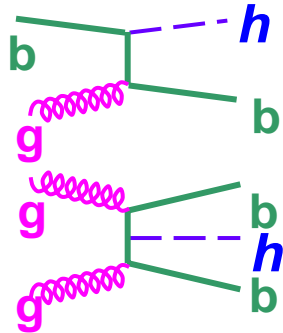
## Experimental Signature

- $\times$  Higgs decays to two high- $p_T$  b-quark jets
- $\times$  One or two extra associated b-quarks define final state
- $\times$  Search for peak in dijet invariant mass spectrum



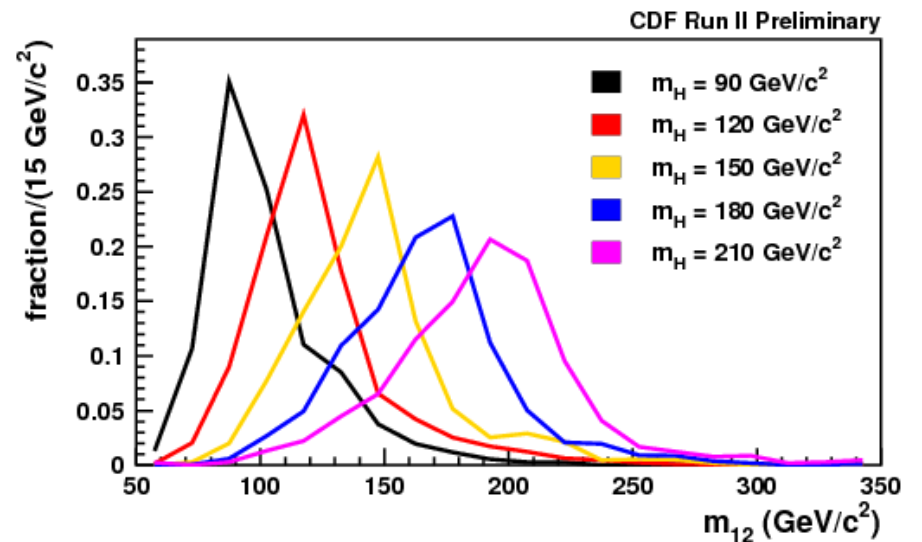
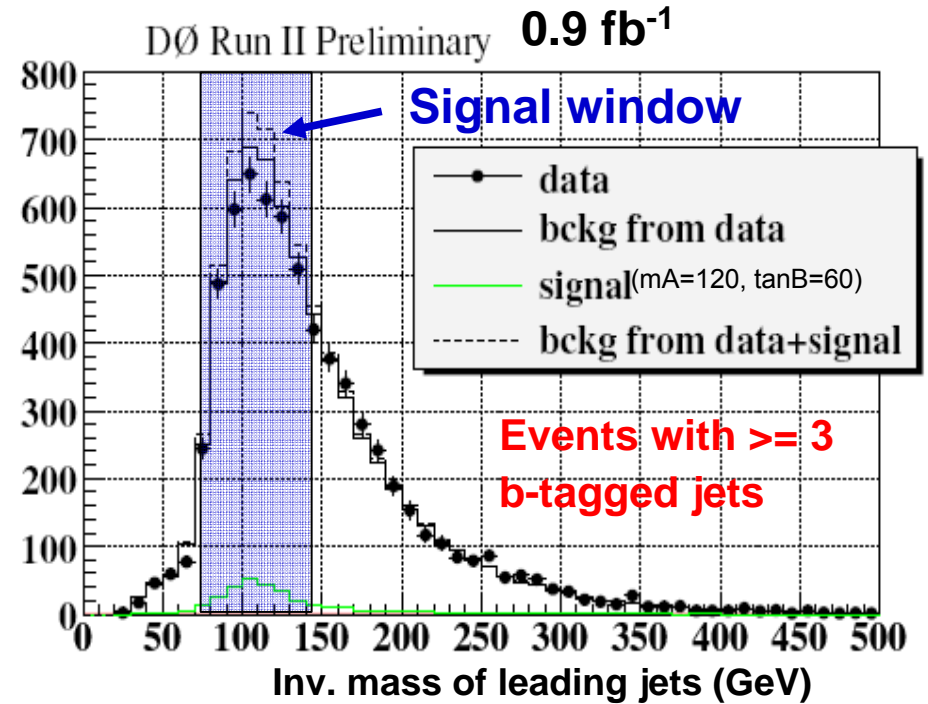


# $h \rightarrow bb + b[b]$ Search



and  $h \rightarrow bb$

- x Select at least three b-tagged jets with  $p_T > 40, 25, 15$  GeV
  - x Invariant mass of two leading jets peaks at Higgs mass
- x Backgrounds estimated from data
  - x Shape taken from double-tagged dijet mass spectrum
  - x Rate normalized outside signal window for each point in  $m_A$  and  $\tan\beta$  plane
- x Important mass-width effect
- x Reasonable agreement between data and predicted background  $\rightarrow$  proceed to set upper limits on MSSM  $hb(b)$  production





# hb (b) → bb b(b) Search

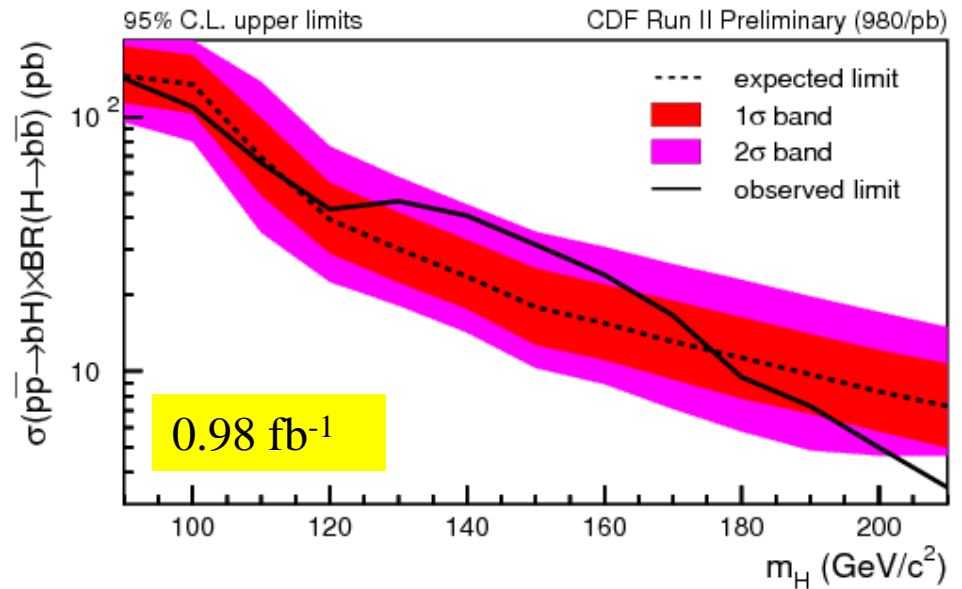
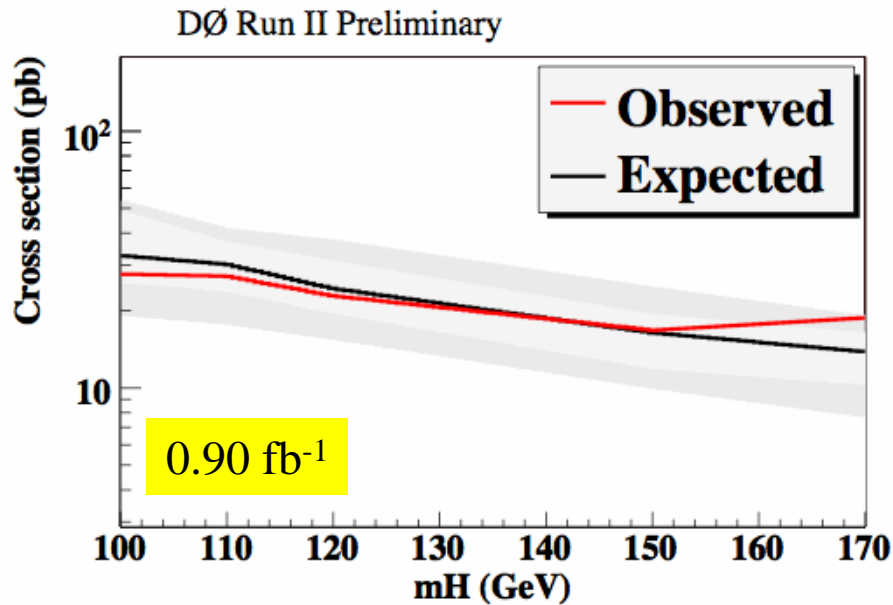
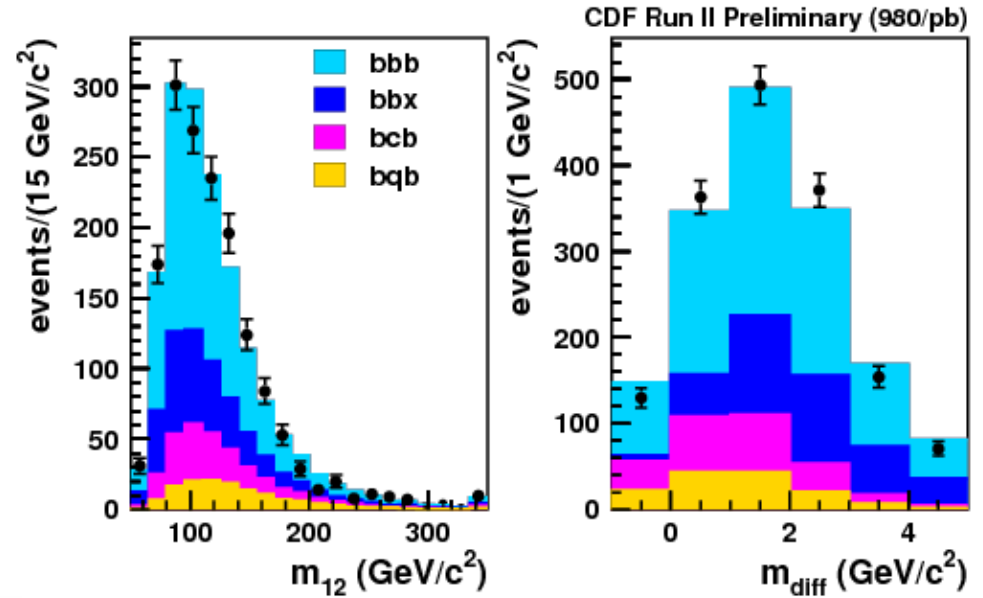


CDF uses two useful discriminators

- $m_{12}$  (invariant mass, 2 leading jets)

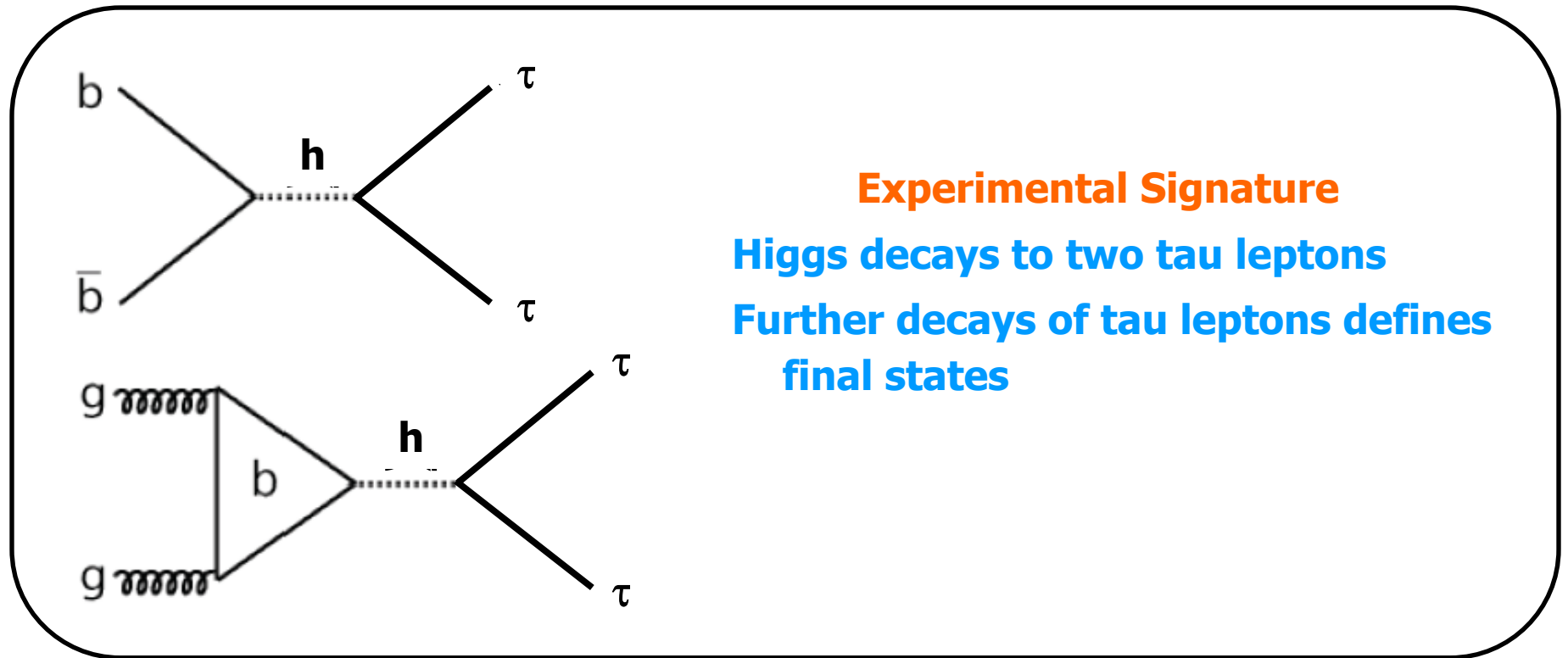
- $m_{\text{diff}} = M_{\text{vertex}}^{\text{jet1}} + M_{\text{vertex}}^{\text{jet2}} - M_{\text{vertex}}^{\text{jet3}}$

*mass of the tracks assigned to jet from the displaced vertex*





# Di-Tau SUSY-Higgs Decays



## Experimental Signature

Higgs decays to two tau leptons

Further decays of tau leptons defines final states



# gg → h,A → τ<sup>+</sup>τ<sup>-</sup> Channel



- Large production cross-section
- Tau leptons are distinct from QCD background
- **b(b) τ<sup>+</sup>τ<sup>-</sup> channel is possible too – we're working on it.**
- Useful τ<sup>+</sup>τ<sup>-</sup> decay modes → one hadronically decaying τ and e-mu channel (low BR, but low bckgd)
- Final state: opposite sign tau pair and missing transverse energy
- Signal would stand out as enhancement from background in the visible mass,  $M_{vis} = \sqrt{(p_{\tau,1} + p_{\tau,2} + \cancel{p}_t)^2}$

• Standard Model backgrounds  
 Z: irreducible background  
 Z/γ\* → ee/μμ, multi-jet, W → lν + jet (rejected with M<sub>W</sub> < 20 GeV)  
 boson (WW, WZ, ZZ)

## Data/Background:

- Data Sample, L = 1 fb<sup>-1</sup>, recorded by single Muon Trigger
- Standard Model background is simulated using Pythia 6.2
- multi-jet background determination from data: μ + τ<sub>h</sub> : inverted lepton isolation criteria

Mod e	Fra (%)	Comments
Di τ <sub>e</sub> τ <sub>e</sub>	3	Large DY bg
τ <sub>μ</sub> τ <sub>μ</sub>	3	Large DY bg
τ <sub>e</sub> τ <sub>μ</sub>	6	Small QCD bg
τ <sub>e</sub> τ <sub>h</sub>	23	Large BR, medium bg
τ <sub>μ</sub> τ <sub>h</sub>	23	Large BR, medium bg
τ <sub>h</sub> τ <sub>h</sub>	41	Large QCD bg



# Tau Identification at DØ

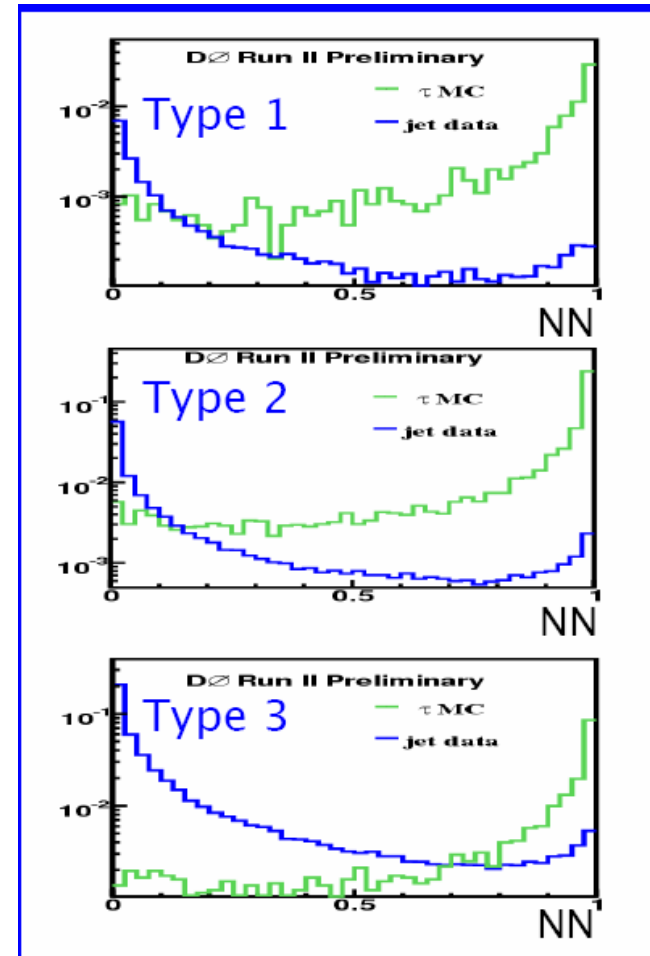
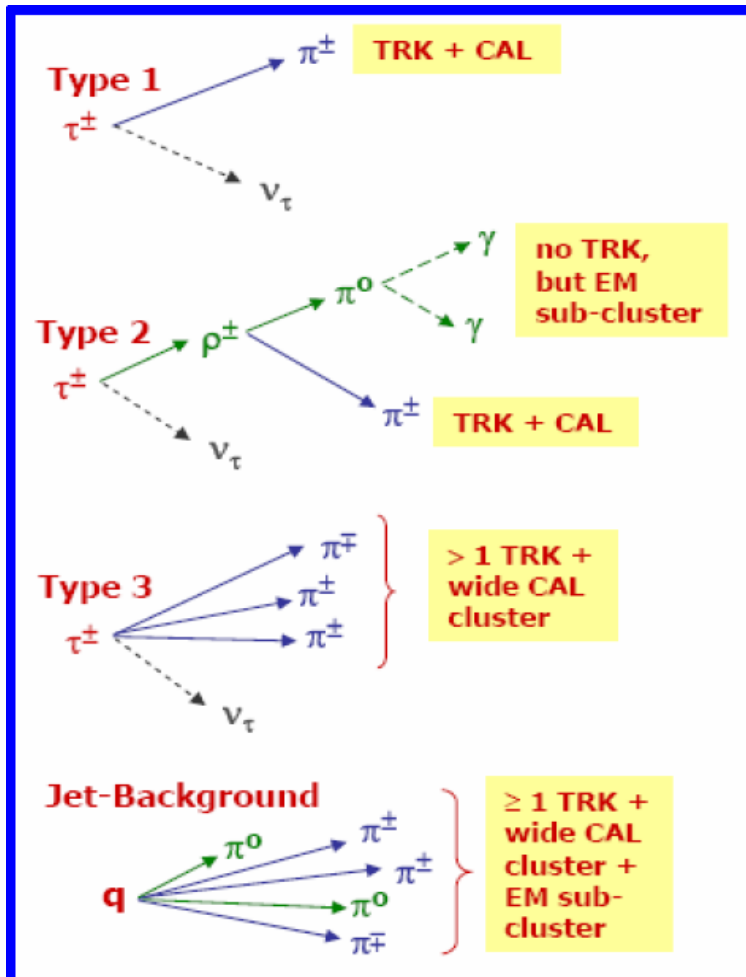


- χ Neural network-based ID
- χ 3 NNs for 3 distinct tau types:

Performance for  $p_T > 15$  GeV

Agreement with  $Z \rightarrow \text{tau-tau}$  decays

Factor  $\sim 40$  reduction in bkgd for 30% loss in tau signal





# $h \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ Search



Similar analysis at CDF and Dzero:

use  $M_{\text{visible}} = \sqrt{(p_{\tau,1} + p_{\tau,2} + p_t)^2}$

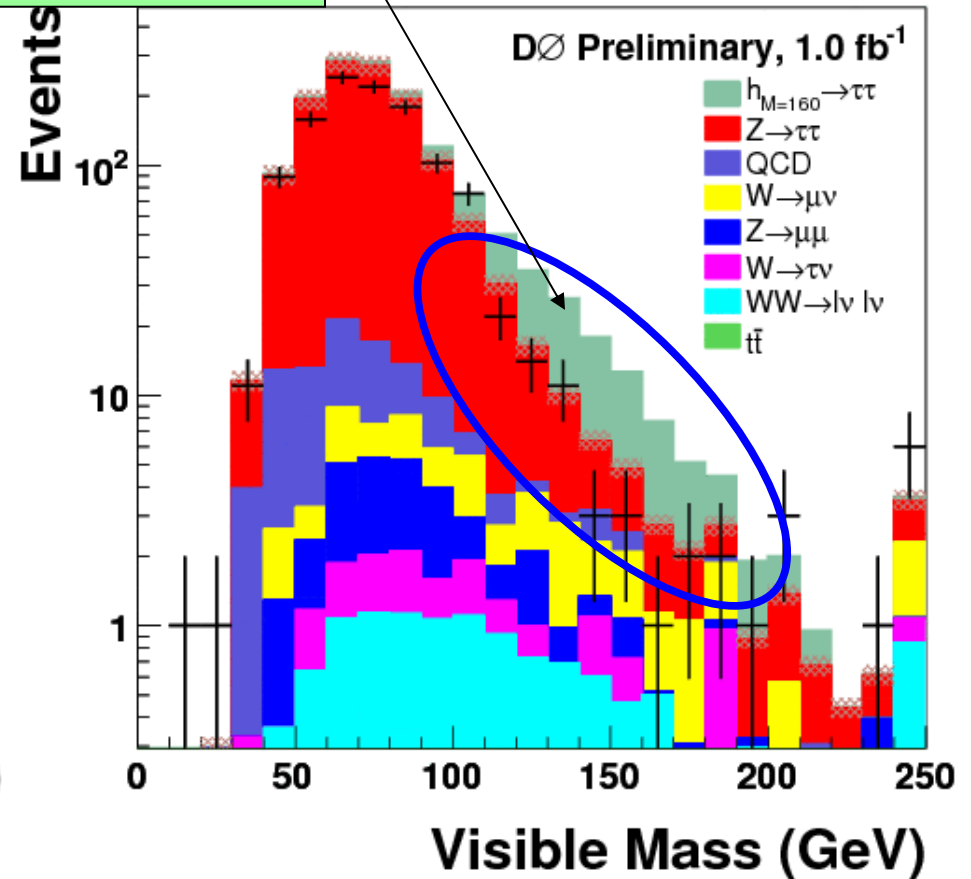
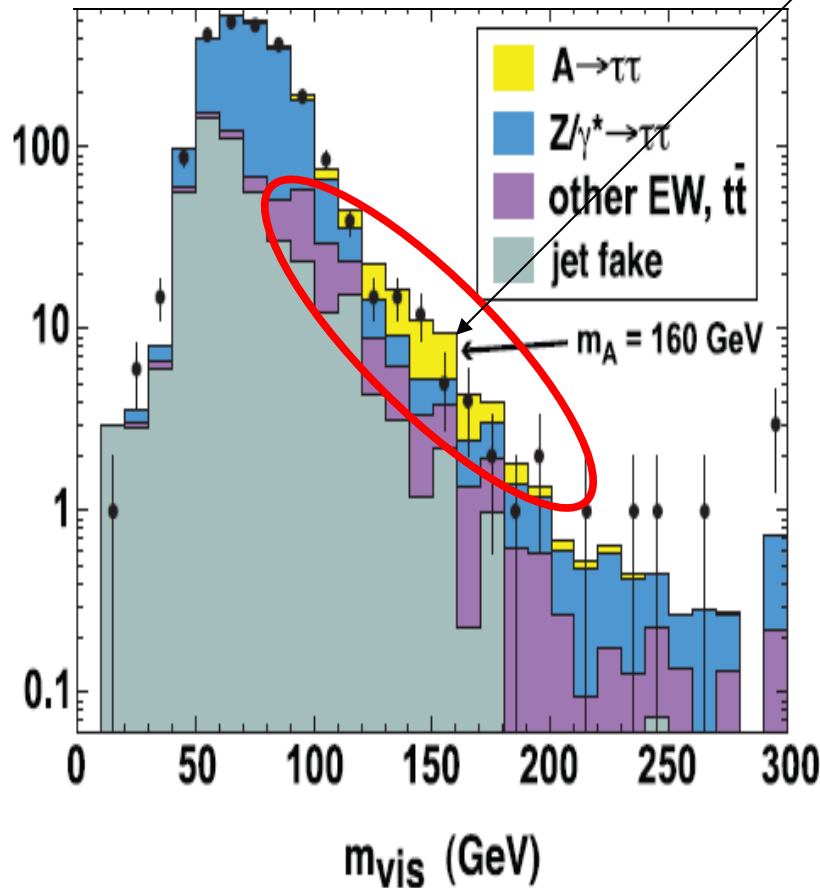
CDF: Combines  $e+h$ ,  $\mu+h$ ,  $e+\mu$  tau decays

Some excess in  $m_{\text{vis}}$  in  $e+h$   $\mu+h$

Best fit:  $m_h = 160$  GeV,  $\tan\beta \sim 50$

→ Not seen at D0!

Simulated Susy Higgs signal





# $h \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ Search @ Dzero



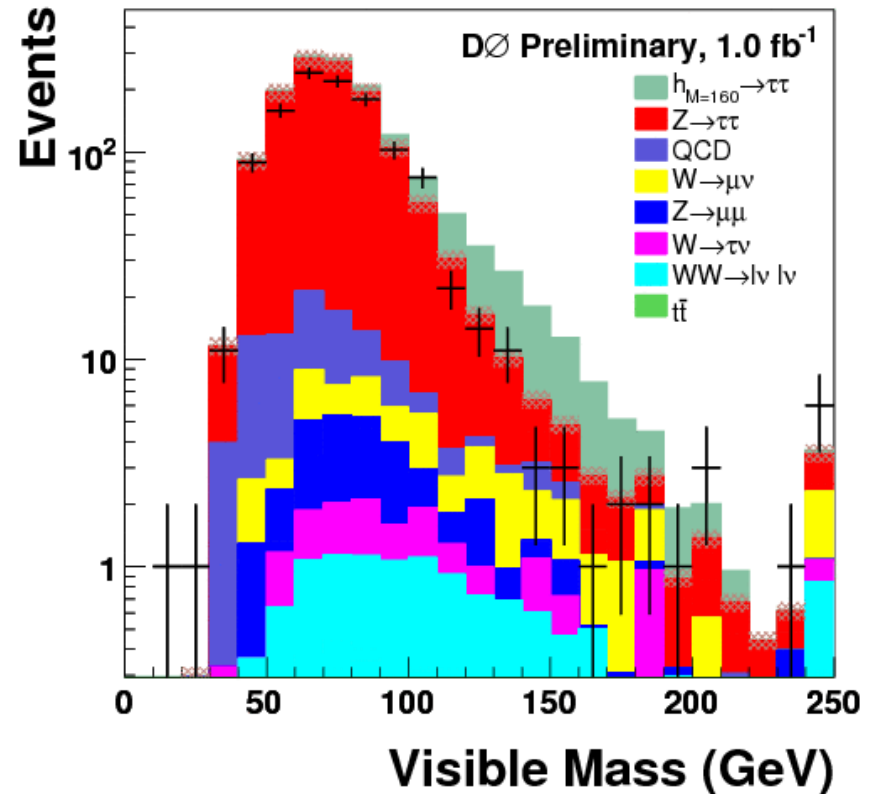
$h \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- \rightarrow \mu \nu \nu + \tau \eta$

Largest bkgds:  $Z \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ , QCD-jet fakes

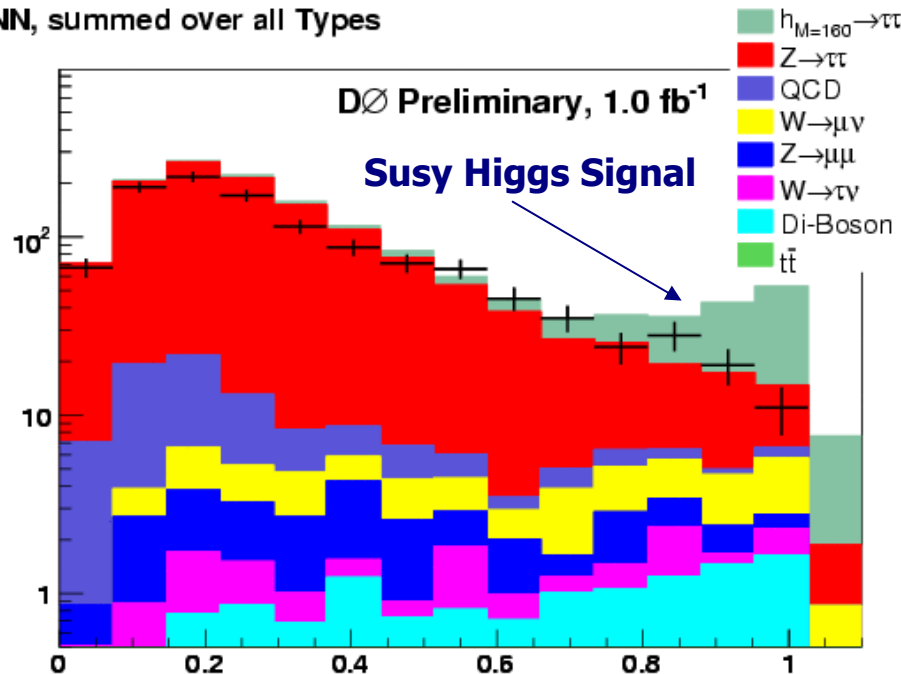
$\chi$   $NN > 0.9$ ,  $DR(\eta, \phi) > 0.5$

$\chi$   $M_W^{vis} > 20$  GeV to remove W bkgd

$$M_W^{vis} = \sqrt{2 E_\mu M E_\tau \frac{p_\mu^\mu}{p_\tau^\mu} (1 - \cos(\Delta \phi))}$$



NN, summed over all Types



Mass-dependent NN optimization for signal/bkgd separation

( $M^{vis}$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\tau$  kinematic variables)





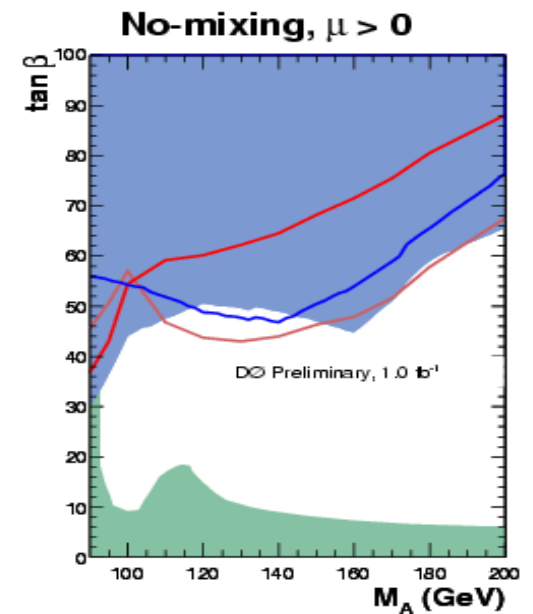
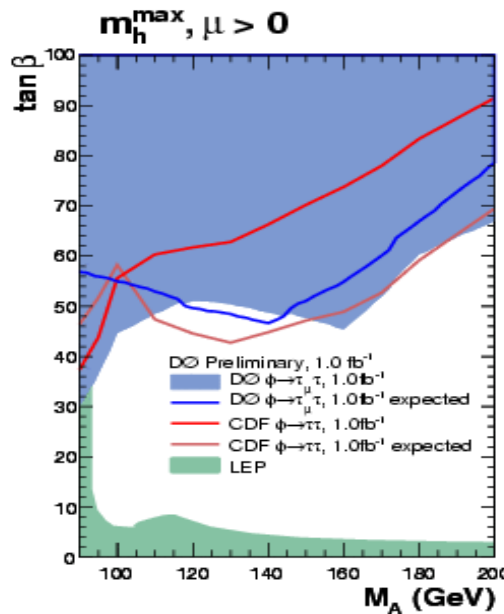
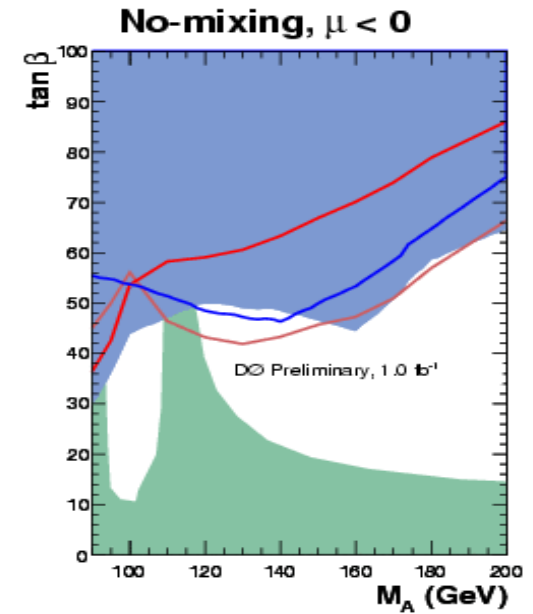
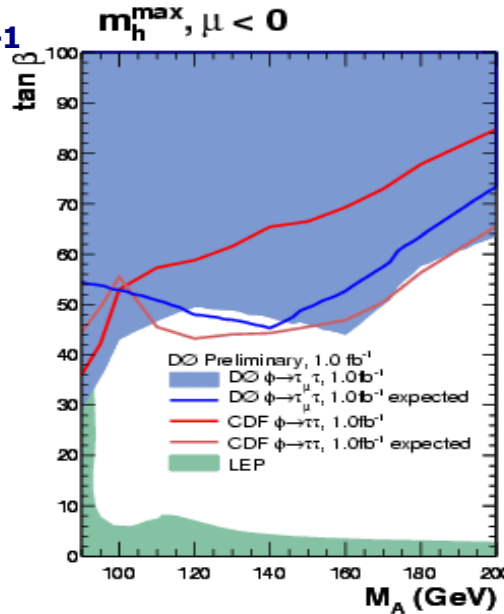
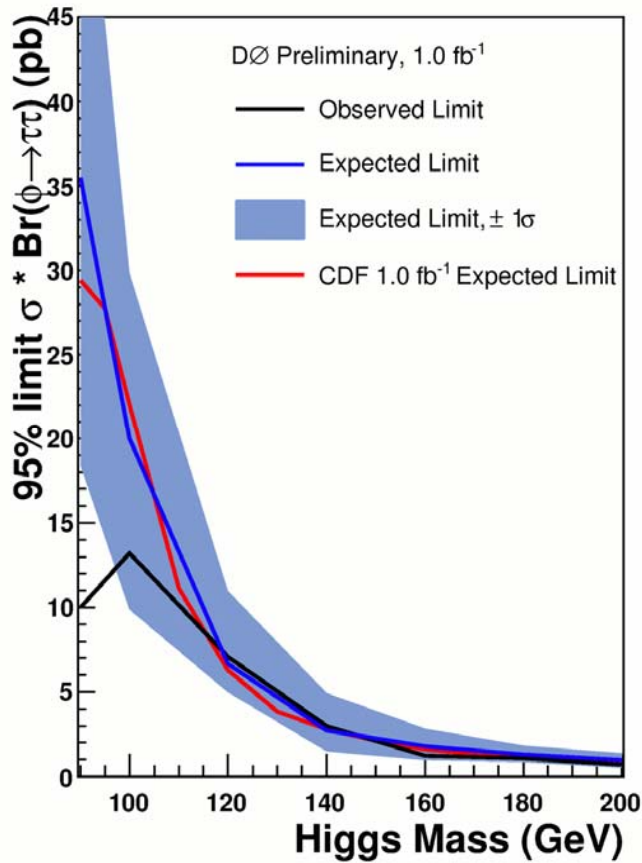
# $h \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ Search



DØ/CDF preliminary results on  $1.0\text{fb}^{-1}$   
95% CL limits, interpreted in:

$$\sigma \times \text{Br}(h \rightarrow \tau\tau)$$

MSSM parameter space





# MSSM Higgs Summary and Outlook



After the published  $h \rightarrow bbb$  search on low statistics, new searches for MSSM Neutral Higgs Bosons in  $bbb$  and  $\tau\tau$  final states have been performed using  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  data taken by CDF and DØ in Run II

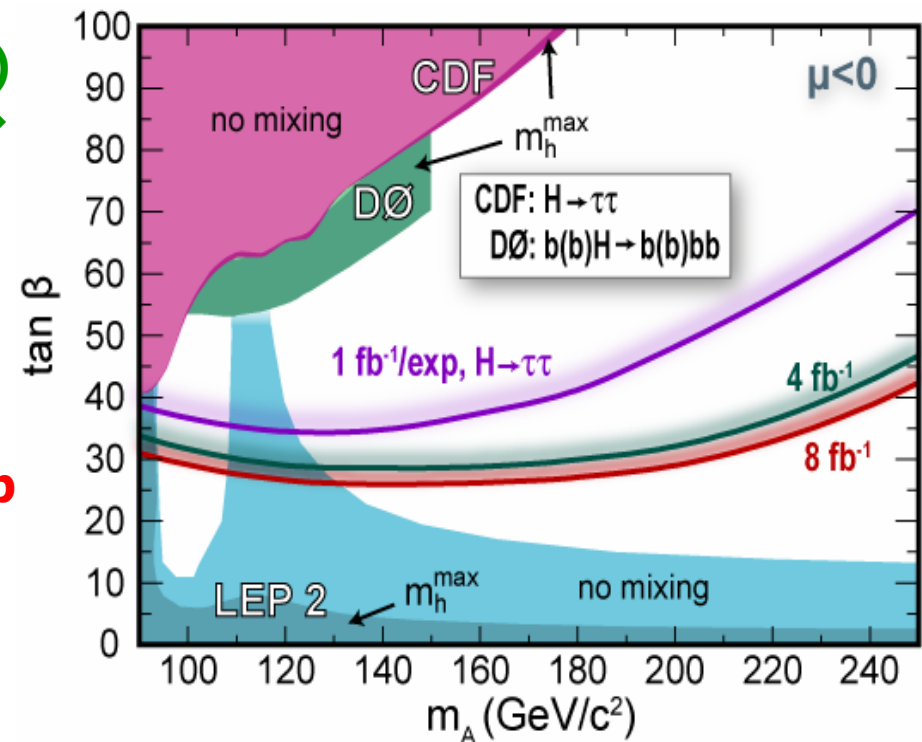
No significant indication for a signal has been found, but hints must be studied with more statistics. So far, upper limits were derived at 95% CL

results are comparable in sensitivity between CDF and DØ

- Susy Combination with  $h(b) \rightarrow bbb(b)$  has been performed on low statistics  $\rightarrow$  will be updated for Moriond 2008

- Updates with  $2\text{-}3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  in progress

- With some sensitivity progress MSSM Higgs could be, by 2009, well constrained in some of these models up to  $180 \text{ GeV}$ , since, for instance, LEP exclude them up to  $15\text{-}20$  in  $\tan b$  in the no-mixing scenario





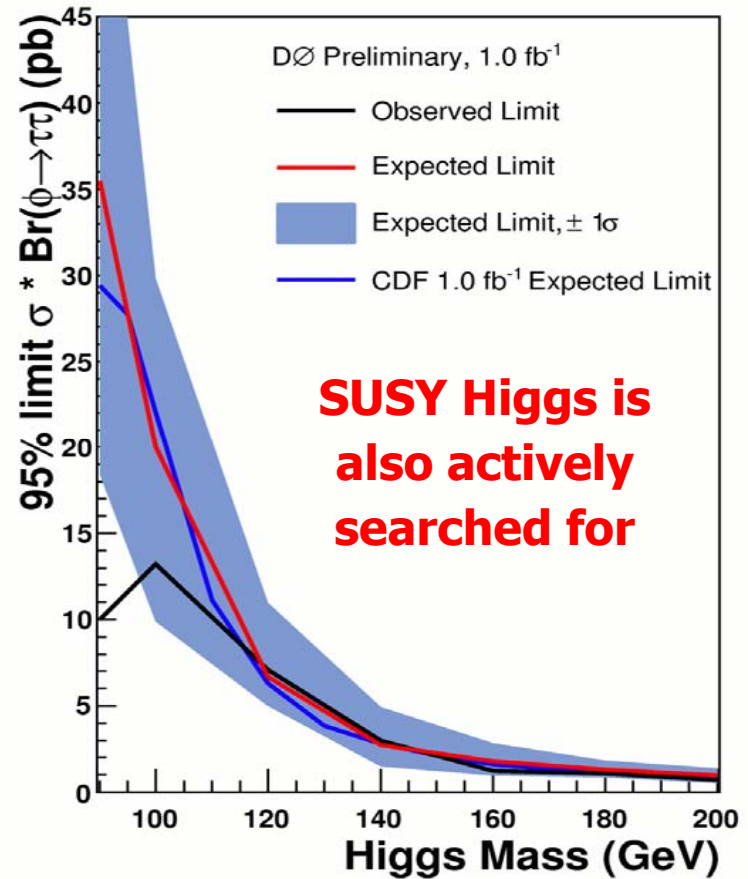
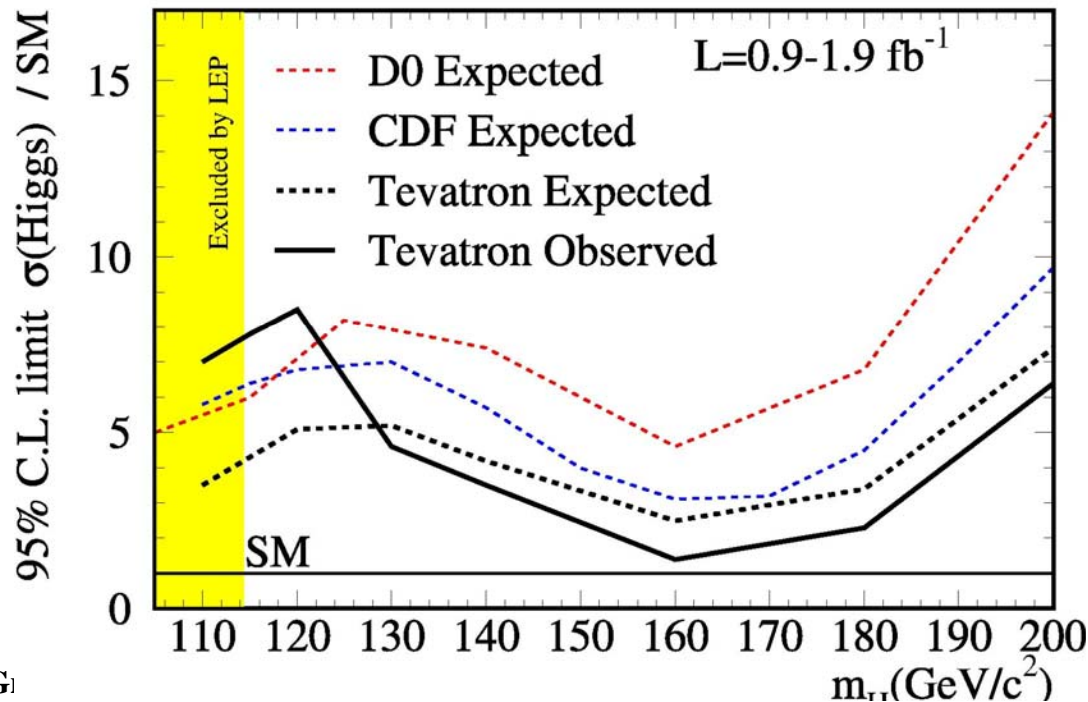
# Conclusions



Higgs physics in Run II of the Tevatron looks promising: **exciting time in front of us**

High luminosity and improved analyses allow to push our sensitivity further :  **$\geq 3\sigma$  evidence for Higgs is probably reachable if Higgs is light or near 160 GeV**

Tevatron Run II Preliminary





# Backup Slides





# SM Backgrounds



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**Electroweak background: W(+jets), Z(+jets), WW, WZ, ZZ,  
also tt and single top**

**kinematic distributions using Monte Carlos:**

**PYTHIA (LO + parton shower)**

**ALPGEN (LO+MLM parton shower/matrix element matching)**

**COMPHEP (LO, fixed order matrix element)**

**MCFM (NLO)**

**MC@NLO (NLO)**

**normalised using (N)NLO cross-sections and K factors  
verified by data**

**Jet production (QCD) and instrumental background**

**→ data using control samples and/or PYTHIA**

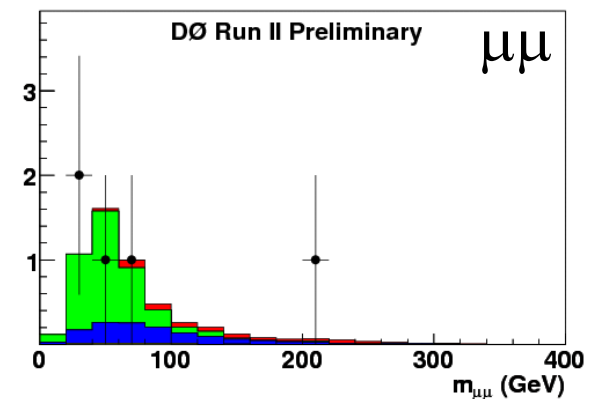
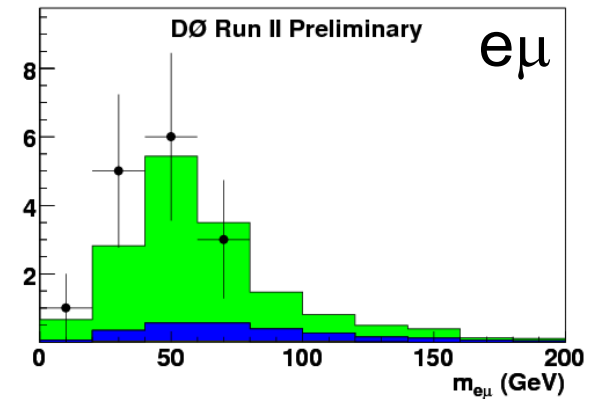
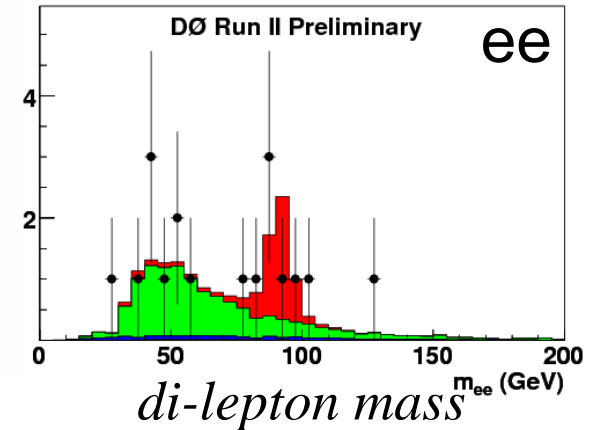
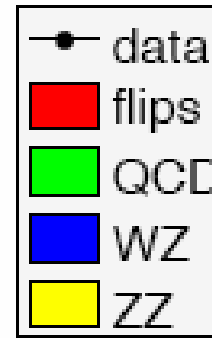
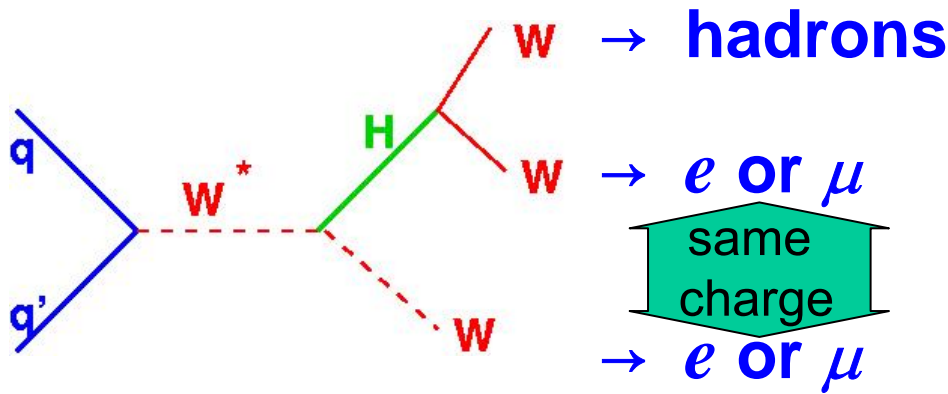
**Typical signal/background ratio of 1/100 in final distributions:  
requires advanced analysis techniques (e.g. NN, Limit Setting..)**



# WH → WWW\* → lν lν X @ Dzero



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## Selection:

- 2 isolated leptons ( $p_T > 15$  GeV) (electrons and/or muons) *like-sign!*
- kinematic likelihood selection

$$\Delta\phi_{\ell\ell}, m_{\ell\ell}, \cancel{E}_T \text{ or } \Delta\phi_{\ell\ell}^{\min}, \cancel{E}_T$$

“flips”: charge mis-identification estimated from data:

μ: solenoid vs toroid

e: solenoid vs  $\Delta\phi$ (track, calorimeter)



# WH → WWW\* → lν lν X @ Dzero

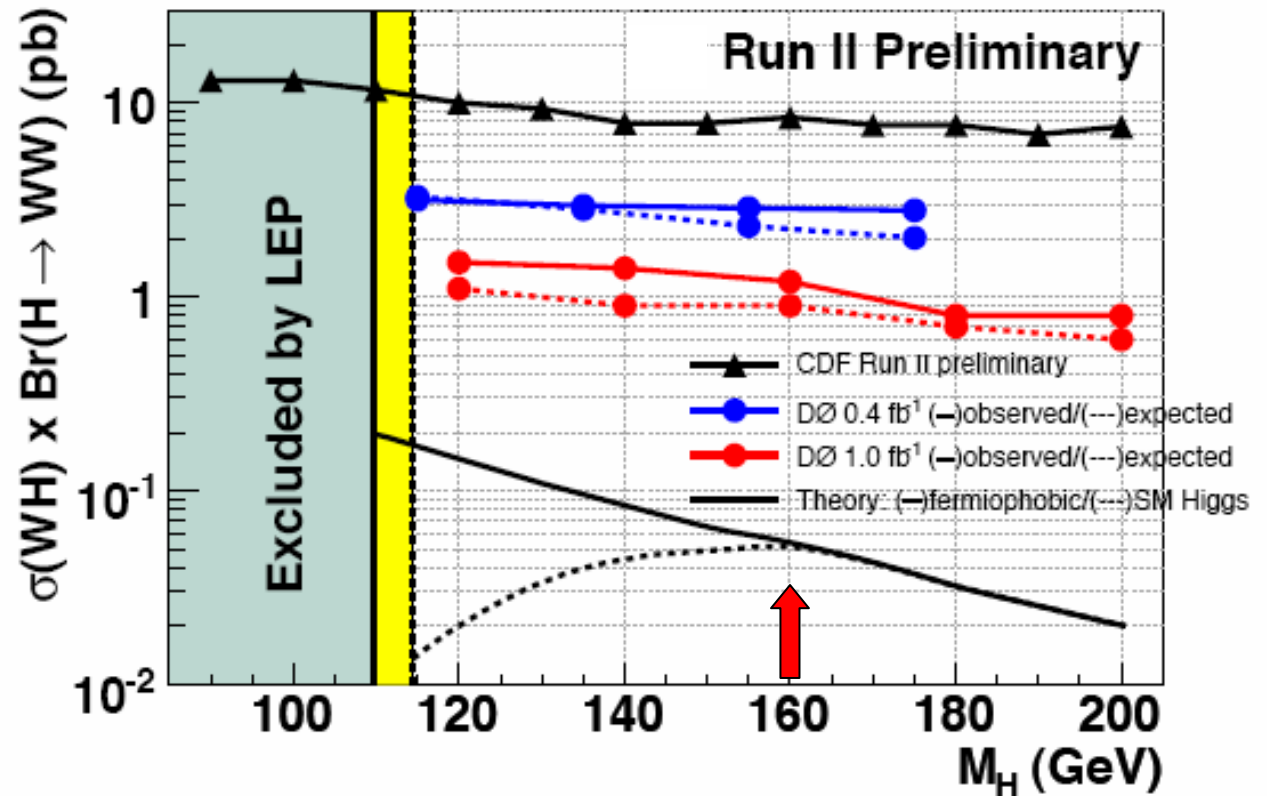


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	ee	eμ	μμ
expected background	20.6	18.0	5.0
data	19	15	5
WH(160)	0.1	0.2	0.1

$L = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

$\sigma_{95}/\sigma_{SM} \sim 18$   
for  
 $M_H = 160 \text{ GeV}$







# WW → tau\_mu tau\_h



Selection criteria	$m_H = 120$	$m_H = 140$	$m_H = 160$	$m_H = 180$
Cut 1 Preselection	leptons from primary vertex large tau NN at least one SMT hit for the muon $\mu$ and $\tau$ not matched with $\Delta R(\eta, \phi) > 0.15$			
Cut 2 Missing Transverse Energy $\cancel{E}_T$	$> 20$	$> 20$	$> 20$	$> 20$
Cut 3 $\cancel{E}_T^{\text{Scaled}}$	$> 7$	$> 7$	$> 7$	$> 7$
Cut 4 $M_{min}^T(l, \cancel{E}_T)$	$> 35$	$> 40$	$> 45$	$> 45$
Cut 5 Sum of $p_T^l + p_T^{l'} + \cancel{E}_T$	50-140	60-150	70-160	80-180
Cut 6 Invariant mass $M_{\mu\tau}$	$< 50$	$< 60$	$< 60$	$< 80$
Cut 7 $H_T$	$< 70$	$< 70$	$< 70$	$< 70$
Cut 8 $\Delta\phi(\mu, \tau)$	$< 2$	$< 2$	$< 2$	$< 2$

TABLE IV: Number of candidate events observed and background events expected at different stages of the selection for  $\tau$  type I,  $m_H = 160$  GeV and  $m_H = 180$  GeV. Errors are statistical only

Cut	$m_H = 160$ GeV			$m_H = 180$ GeV		
	Data	Tot. Exp. Bkgd	$H \rightarrow WW$	Data	Tot. Exp. Bkgd	$H \rightarrow WW$
Preselection	$1749.00 \pm 41.82$	$1719.19 \pm 33.58$	0.20	$1749.00 \pm 41.82$	$1719.19 \pm 33.58$	0.15
$\Delta\phi(\mu, \tau)$	$30.00 \pm 5.48$	$21.66 \pm 2.74$	0.11	$31.00 \pm 5.57$	$24.26 \pm 2.87$	0.07
Final Sel. incl.	$2.00 \pm 1.41$	$4.63 \pm 1.22$	0.05	$1.00 \pm 1.00$	$1.25 \pm 0.60$	0.01
Final Sel. excl.	$3.00 \pm 1.73$	$1.78 \pm 0.68$	0.01	$3.00 \pm 1.73$	$5.79 \pm 1.27$	0.03

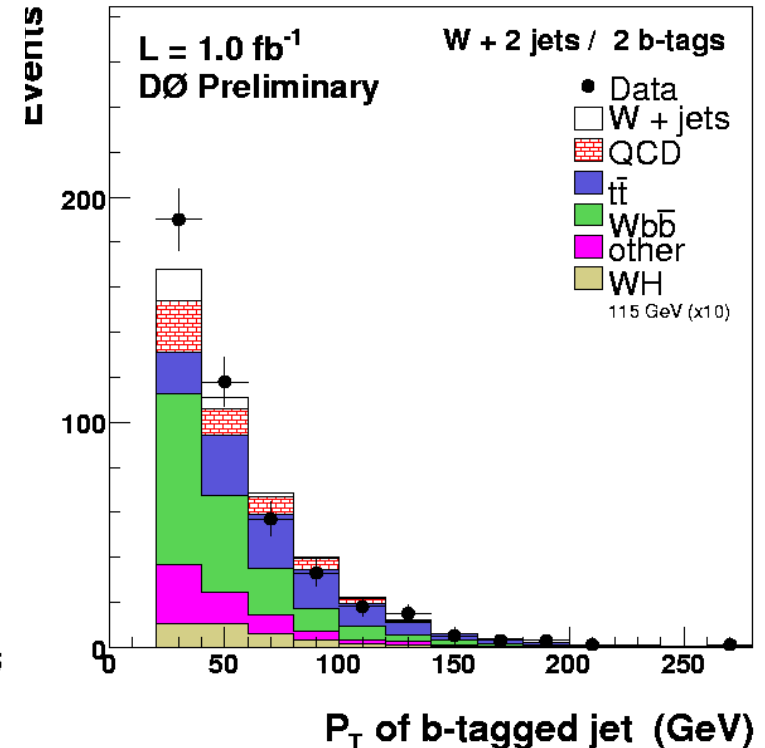
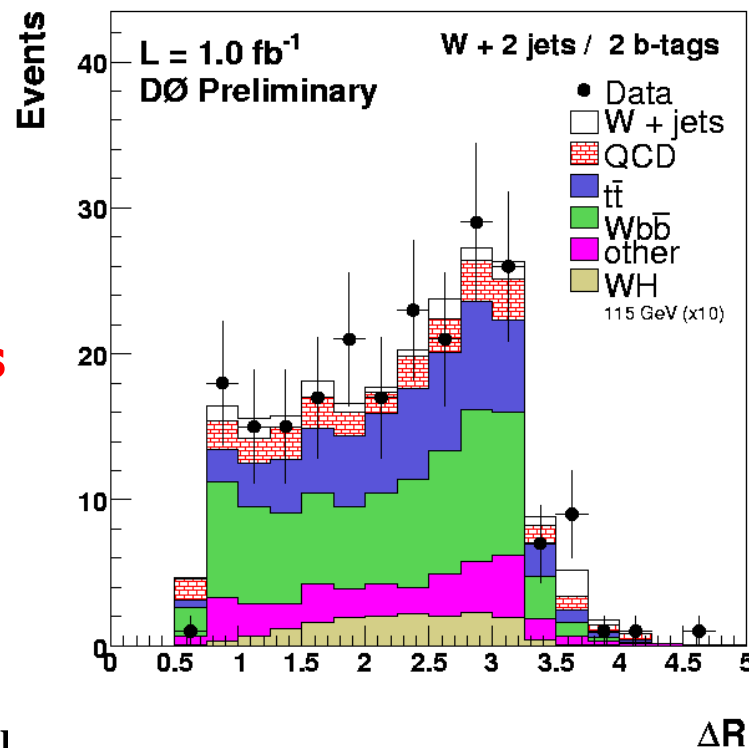


# Tagging b-Jets



- × Update b-Tagging optimization (as compared to Single-Top result)
  - × Use asymmetric *TIGHT* + *LOOSE* b-Tagging thresholds for double-tagged jet sample (*gain*  $\sim 40\%$  in sensitivity)
  - × For  $WH \rightarrow l\nu bb$ , separate orthogonal 2 b-tag and 1 b-tag samples to salvage lost efficiency (*gain*  $\sim 15\%$  in sensitivity)

**W+ 2 b-Tag control plots**

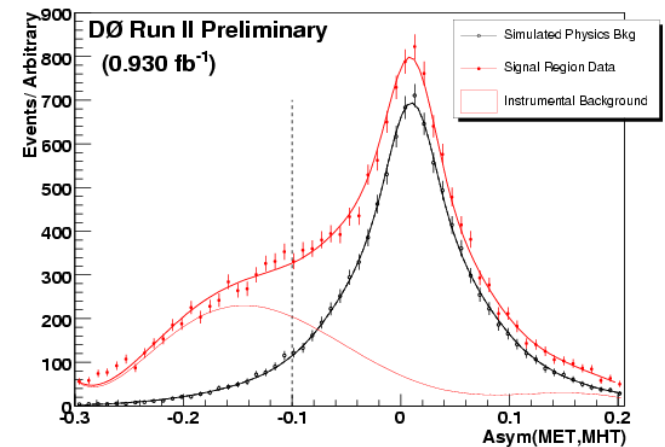
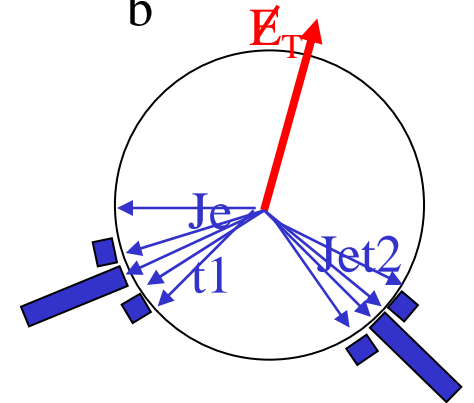
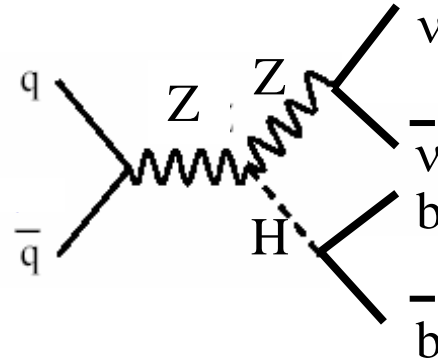




# ZH → ννbb (WH → ℓνbb) searches



- Missing  $E_T$  from  $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$  and 2 b jets from  $H \rightarrow bb$ 
  - Large missing  $E_T > 50\text{GeV}$
  - 2 acoplanar b-jets with  $E_T > 20\text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- Backgrounds
  - “physics”
    - W+jets, Z+jets, top, ZZ and WZ
  - “instrumental”
    - QCD multijet events with mismeasured jets
      - Large cross section & small acceptance
- Strategy
  - Trigger on events with large missing  $H_T$  (vector sum of jets’  $E_T$ )
  - Estimate “instrumental” background from data, physics bkd from simulation
  - Search for an event excess in di-jet mass distribution
- Reduce “instrumental” background
  - Jet acoplanarity  $\Delta\phi(\text{dijet}) < 165^\circ$
  - define missing energy/momentum variables
    - $\cancel{E}_T$  calculated using calorimeter cells
    - $\cancel{H}_T = -|\sum p_T(\text{jet})|$  ... jets
  - And select on their asymmetry
    - $\text{Asym}(\cancel{E}_T, \cancel{H}_T) = (\cancel{E}_T - \cancel{H}_T) / (\cancel{E}_T + \cancel{H}_T)$



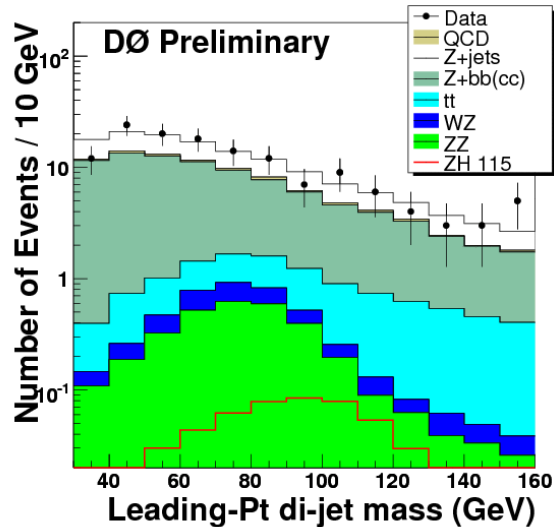


# ZH $\rightarrow$ $l l b b$ / $l l b b$ @ D0

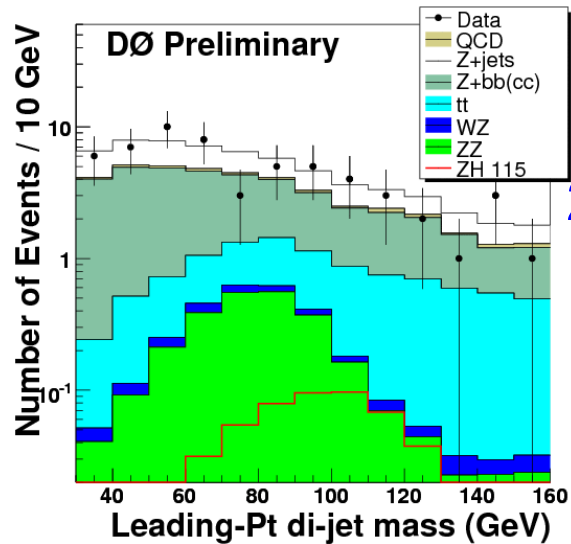


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$$L = 1.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

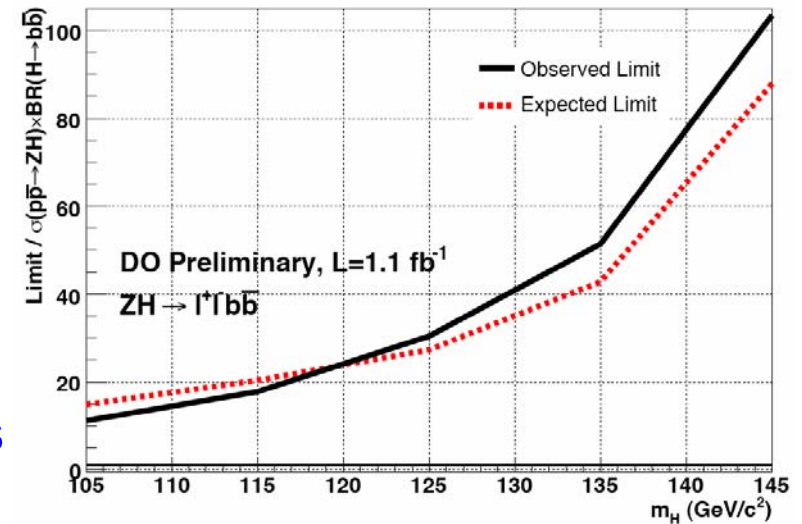


1 'tight' b tag



2 'loose' b tags

- NN trained based on kinematics
- ZZ is irreducible background



- $M=115 \text{ GeV}$ :  
 $\sigma_{95}/\text{SM}=20 \text{ (exp), } 18 \text{ (obs)}$
- all channels important for final sensitivity

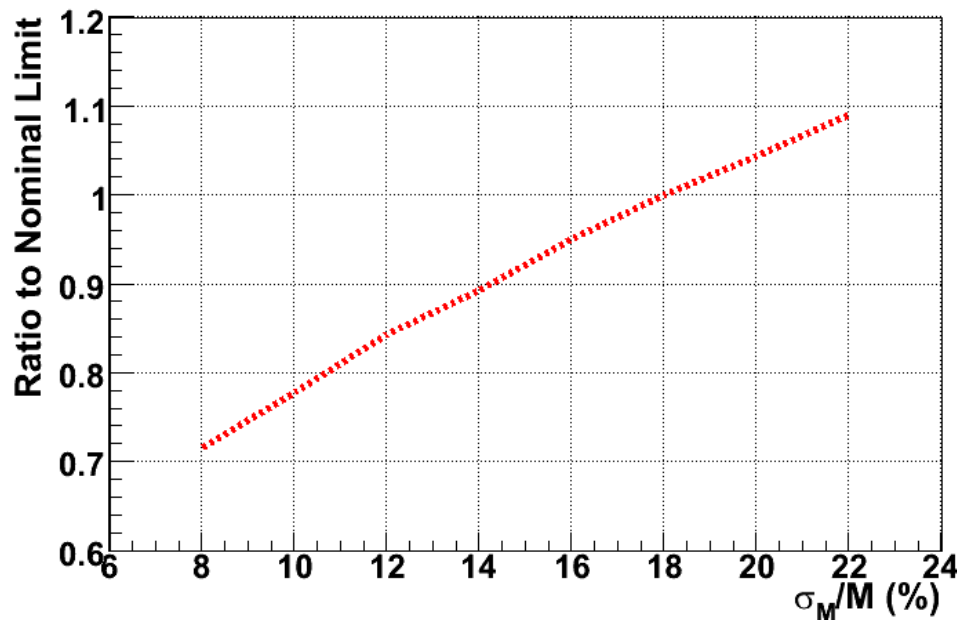


# Di-Jet Mass Resolution

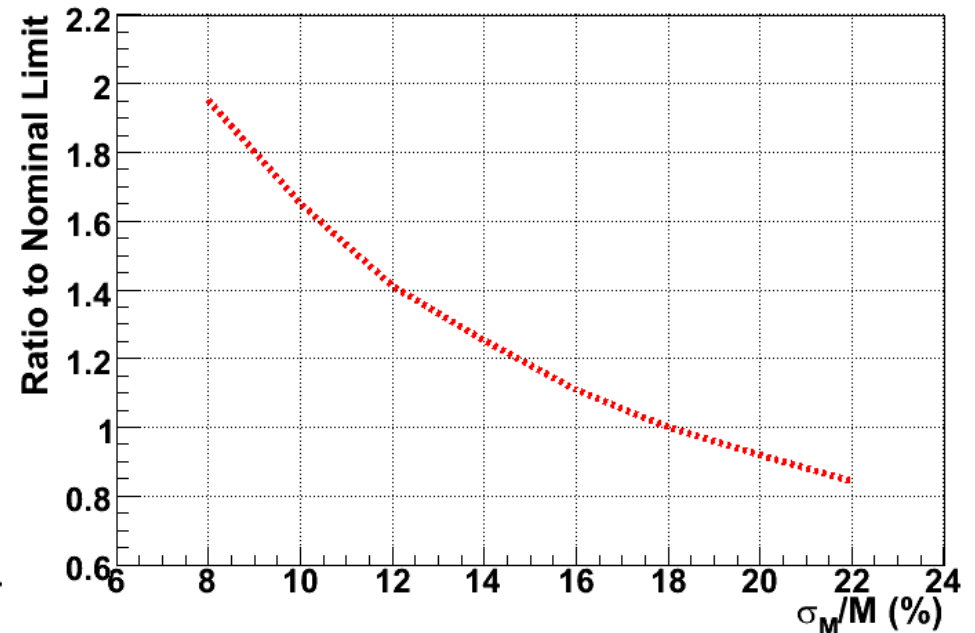


- x SHWG/HSG quoted at 10% dijet mass resolution
  - x Bad news: We're currently at 17-18%
  - x Good news: Don't need 10% to get expected factor in lumi
- x Several techniques available: energy-flow algorithms, constrained fitting of jets+MET system, ISR/FSR jet recovery

## Change in Limit



## Effective Lumi





# Combining Higgs boson Searches



## CDF uses a Bayesian approach

- Use Bayesian posterior probability
- Assume flat prior density for the number of Higgs events
- Combined Binned Poisson Likelihood:

$$\mathcal{L}(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b} | \vec{n}) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_C} \prod_{j=1}^{Nbins} \mu_{ij}^{n_{ij}} e^{-\mu_{ij}} / n_{ij}!$$

- Combined Posterior Density Function:

$$p(R | \vec{n}) = \int d\vec{s} \int d\vec{b} \mathcal{L}(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b} | \vec{n}) \times s_{tot} / \int dR \int d\vec{s} \int d\vec{b} \mathcal{L}(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b} | \vec{n}) \times s_{tot}$$

## DØ uses the CLs (LEP) Method

the  $CL_S$  confidence interval is a normalization of  $CL_{S+B}$

$CL_{S+B}$  = signal + bkgd hypothesis,  $CL_B$  = bkgd only hypothesis

$CL_S = CL_{S+B} / CL_B$ :  $CL_{S+B}$  &  $CL_B$  are defined using a “test statistic”

Test statistic used is the Log-Likelihood Ratio (LLR = -2 ln Q)

generated via Poisson statistics ( $Q = e^{-(s+b)} (s+b)^d / e^{-b} b^d$ )  $s, b, d = \text{sig., bkd, data}$ )

**Tevatron Higgs combination is done with both methods**

**→ they give results compatible within 10%.**

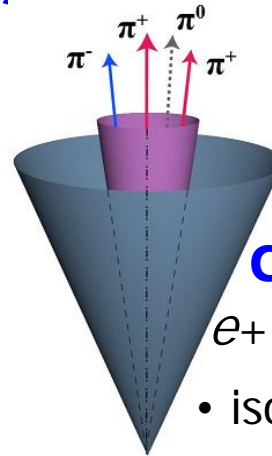


# Neutral MSSM Higgs $\rightarrow \tau \tau_{had}$



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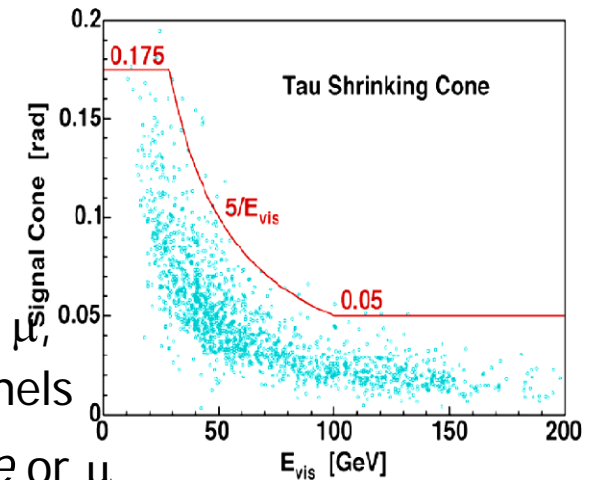
**Main backgrounds:**  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  (irreducible),  
 $W + jets$ ,  $Z \rightarrow ee, \mu\mu$ , multijet, di-boson



**CDF:**  $e, \mu$

$e + \mu$  channels

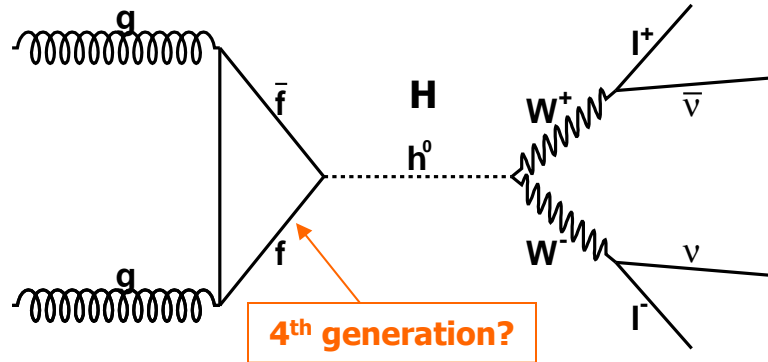
- isolated  $e$  or  $\mu$  separated from opposite sign hadronic  $\tau$
- variable-size cone algorithm for  $\tau$
- $H_T = |p_T^\ell| + |p_T^{had}| + |\cancel{E}_T| > 55 \text{ GeV}$
- $W$ s removed by a cut on the MET projected on the bisector between  $\tau$ s.





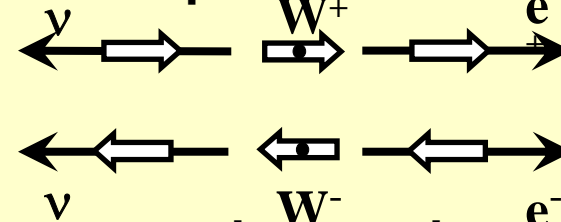


# SM "Heavy" Higgs: $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$



## Search strategy:

- 2 high  $P_t$  leptons and missing  $E_t$
- $WW$  comes from spin 0 Higgs: leptons prefer to point in the same direction.



But Higgs mass peak cannot be reconstructed due to the presence of 2  $\nu \rightarrow$  look for an excess  
**CDF and DØ already published on  $0.3-0.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$**

