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Search for additional neutral Higgs bosons decaying to tau lepton pair in the CMS experiment at LHC

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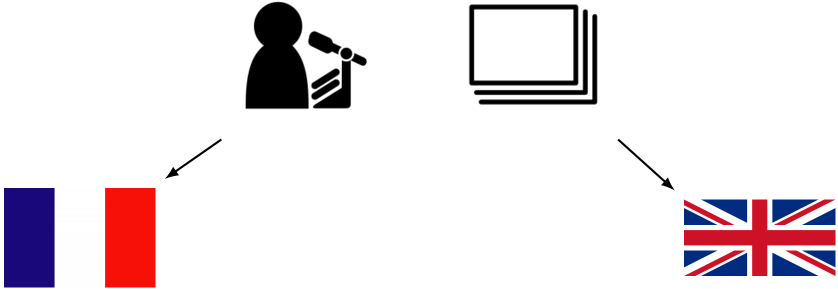
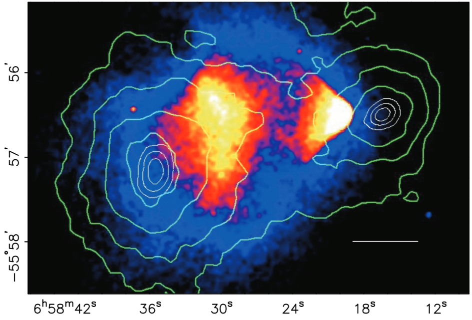


Why do we **search for...**?

Current model status

- Robust and predictive (top quark, W, Z and one Higgs boson...)
- still not good enough, unable to explain some observations such as:
  - dark matter $\longrightarrow$
  - matter vs antimatter asymmetry
  - ...
- Go beyond with a new model!
- Consequences of this new model? **Test it!**



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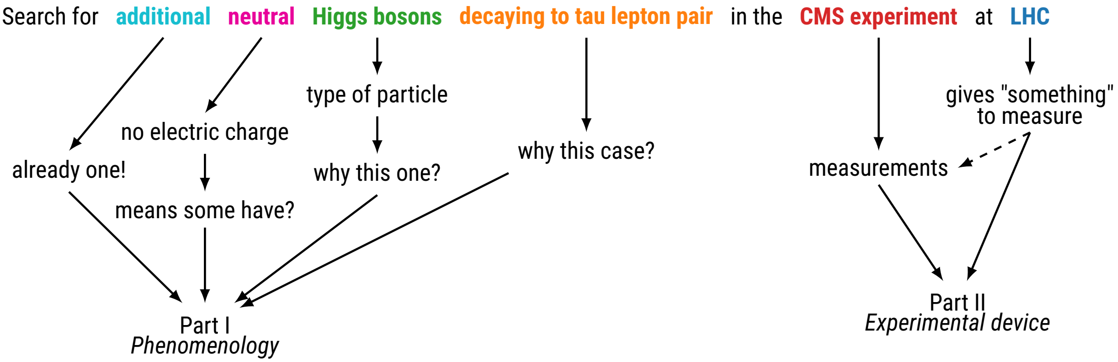

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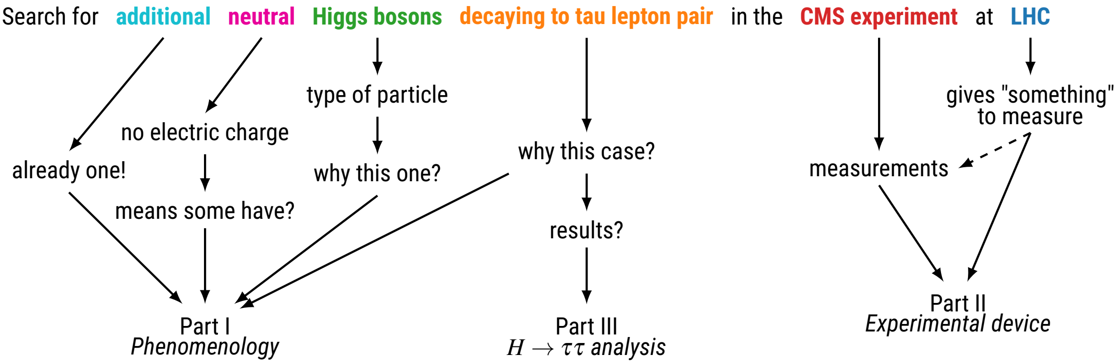

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additional → already one! → Part I

neutral → no electric charge → means some have? → Part I

Higgs bosons → type of particle → why this one? → Part I

decaying to tau lepton pair → why this case? → Part I

why this case? → results? → Part III

CMS experiment → measurements → Part II

LHC → gives "something" to measure → measurements; gives "something" to measure → Part II

Part I
Phenomenology

Part III
$H \to \tau\tau$ analysis

Part II
Experimental device

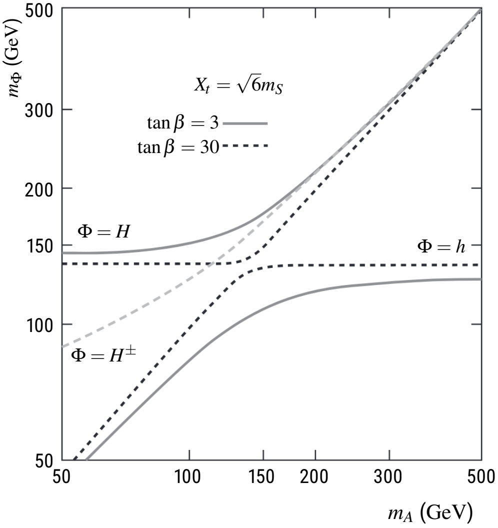
+ Part IV: *Machine Learning use on $H \to \tau\tau$ events*

Higgs bosons in the MSSM

Minimal Supersymmetric extension of Standard Model

5 Higgs bosons

light scalar	h	SM or MSSM
heavy scalar	H	MSSM or SM
pseudo-scalar	A	MSSM
$+$ charged	H^+	MSSM
$-$ charged	H^-	MSSM



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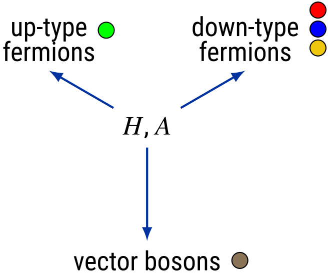

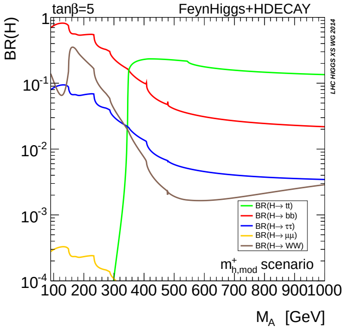

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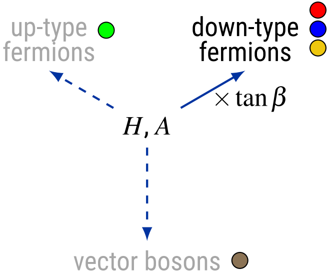
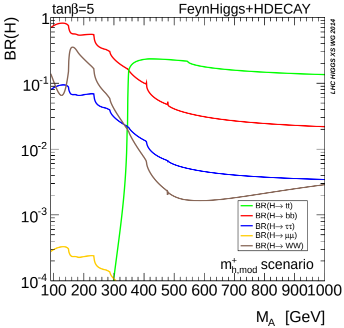
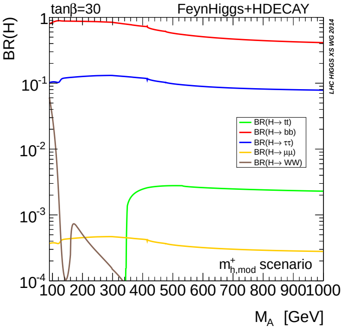
$H \to \tau\tau$? – enhanced and suppressed couplings







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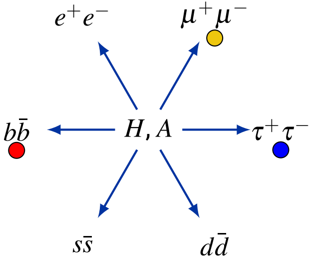

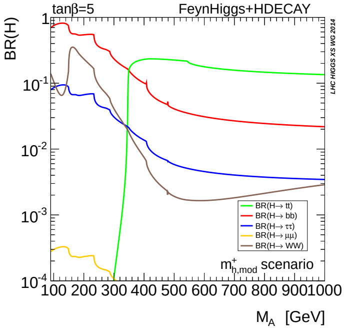

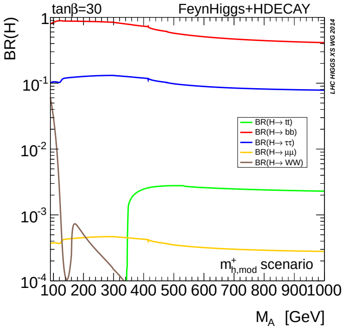

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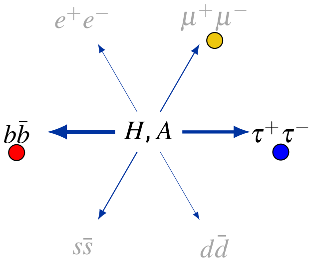
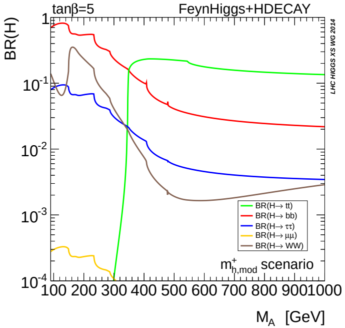
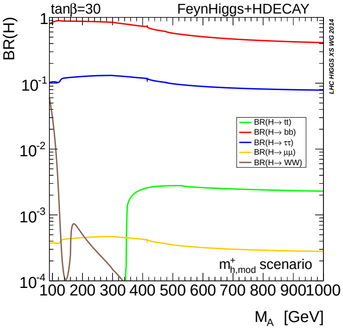
$H \to \tau\tau$? – Higgs couplings and particules masses







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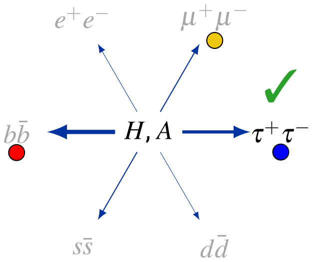
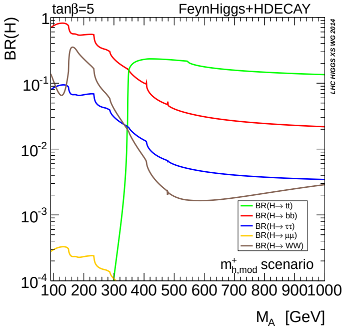
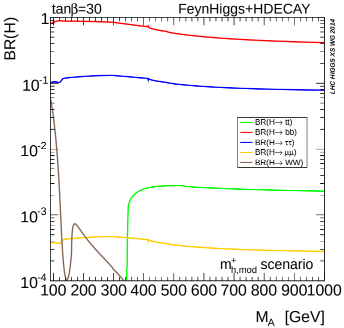
$H \to \tau\tau$? – avoid hadronic background







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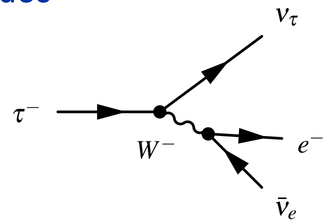

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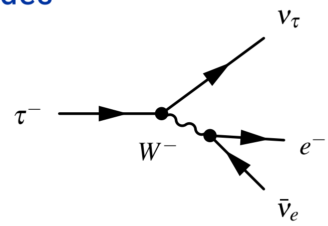

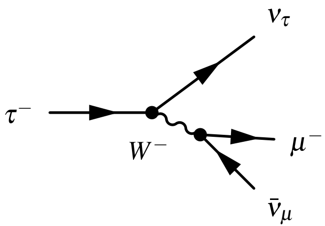

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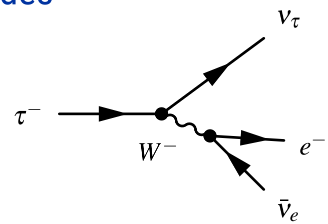

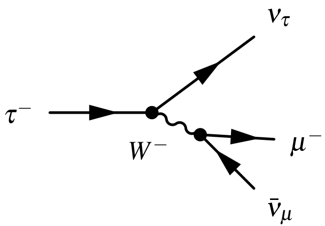

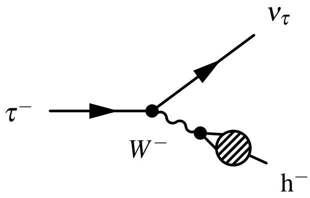

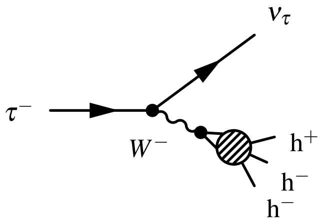

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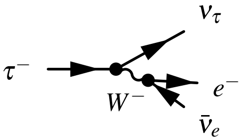

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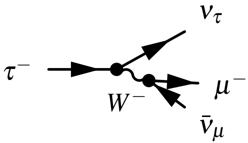
17.8 %



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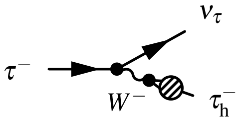

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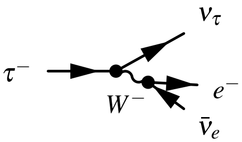

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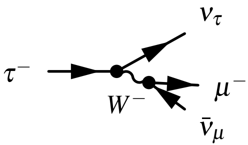

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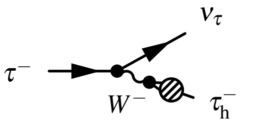

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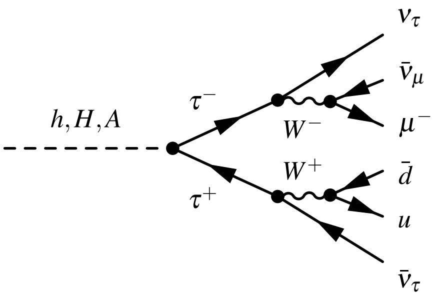

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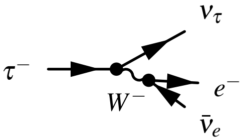

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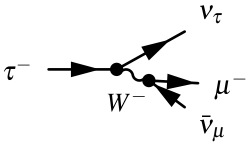

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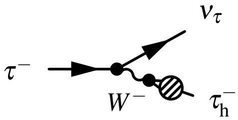

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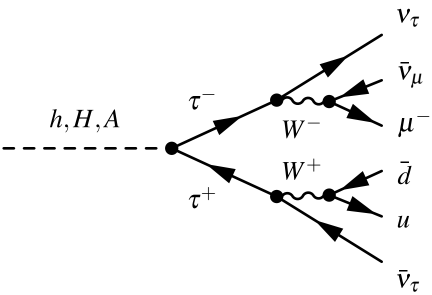

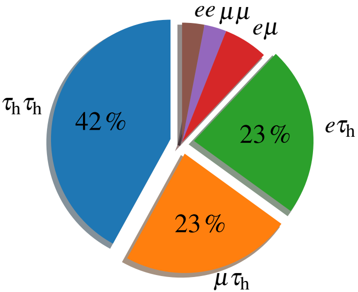

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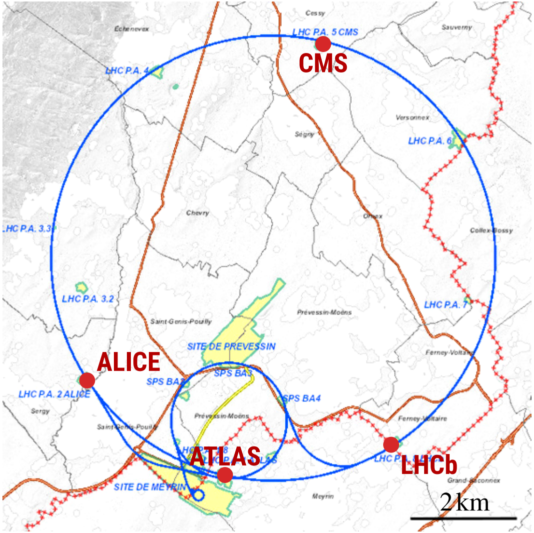
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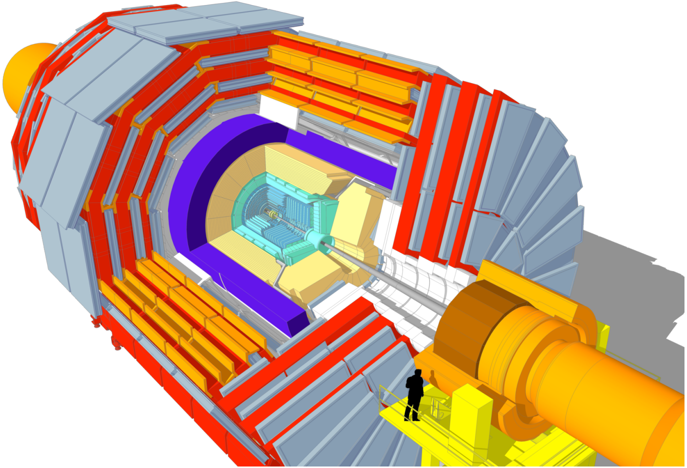
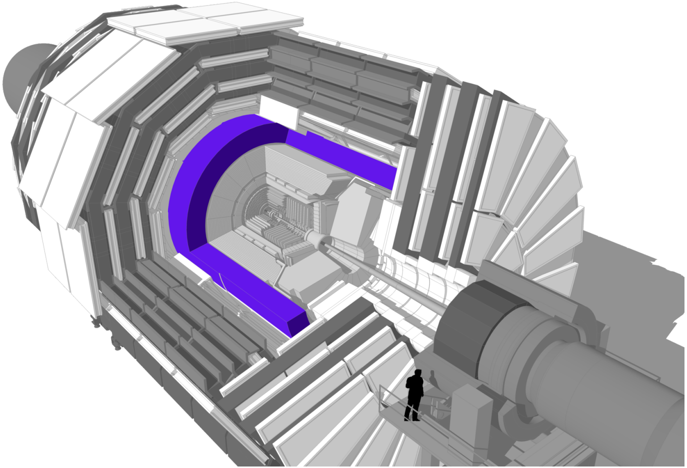


CMS detector

- Mass: $\sim 14{,}000\,\mathrm{t}$
- Diameter: $15\,\mathrm{m}$
- Length: $28.7\,\mathrm{m}$

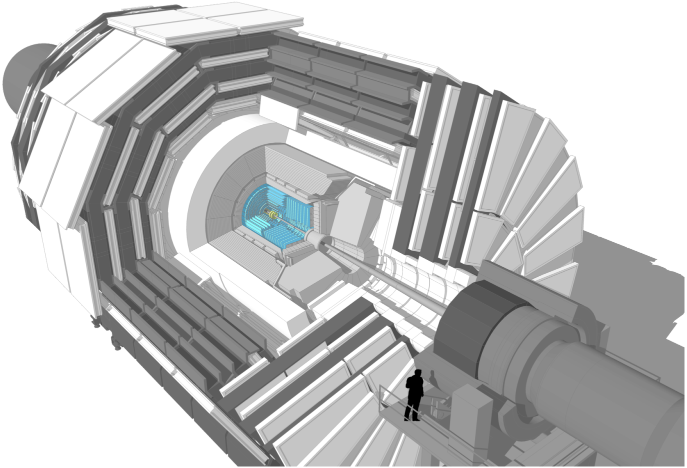
$\Rightarrow$ How to *see* the particles?



Solenoid

- Niobium titanium coil
- Superconducting
- $\sim 18{,}000\,\mathrm{A}$
- $4\,\mathrm{T}$ in the inner volume

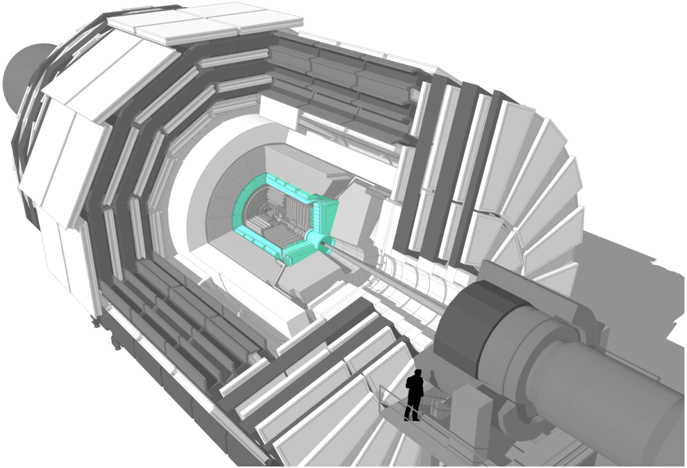
$\Rightarrow$ Bends charged particles trajectories in the transverse plane



Tracker

- Made of Silicon
- Inner: pixels $(100 \times 150\,\mu\mathrm{m}^2$, $\sim 1.9\,\mathrm{m}^2$, $\sim 124\,\mathrm{M}$ channels
- Outer: microstrips $(80 - 180\,\mu\mathrm{m})$ $\sim 200\,\mathrm{m}^2$ $\sim 9.6\,\mathrm{M}$ channels

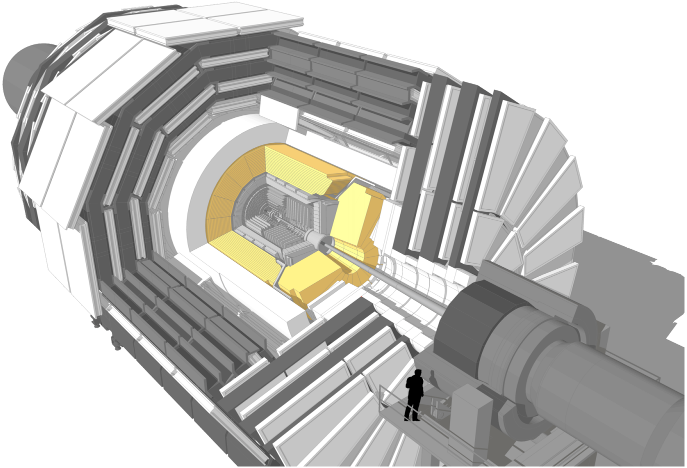
$\Rightarrow$ Charged particles leave hits when going through



Electromagnetic CALorimeter

- $\sim 76{,}000$ scintillating $\mathrm{PbWO_4}$ crystals

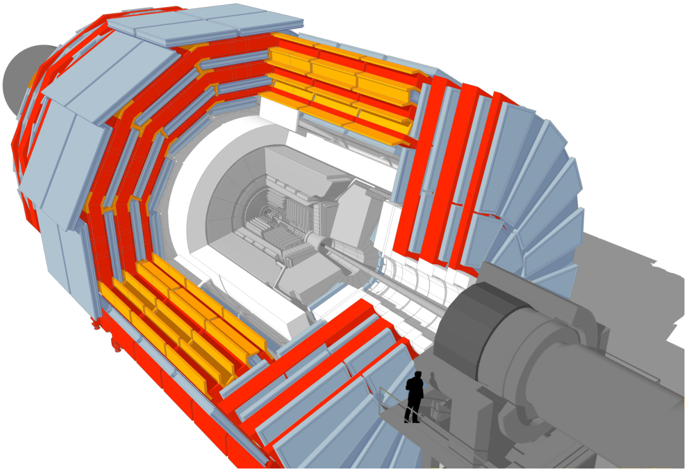
$\Rightarrow$ Electrons and photons are stopped, energy deposits



Hadronic CALorimeter

- Brass + plastic scintillator, ~ 7000 channels

$\Rightarrow$ Hadrons are stopped, energy deposits



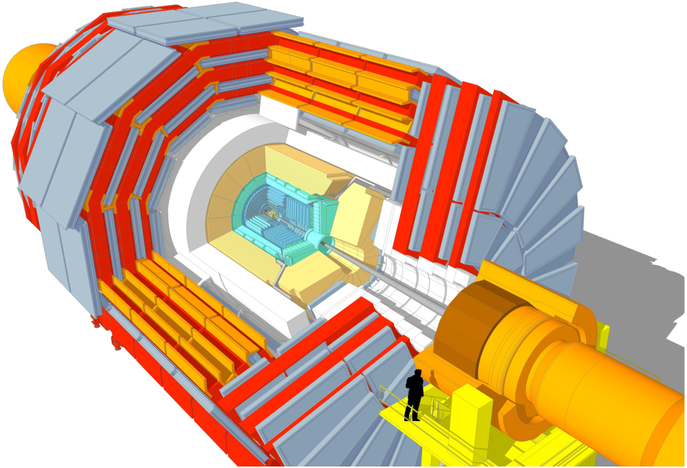
Steel return yoke (red)

- Allows for $2\,\mathrm{T}$ magnetic field around the solenoid

Muon chambers (blue-gray)

- Barrel: 250 drift tubes, 480 resistive plate chambers
- Endcaps: 540 cathode strips, 576 resistive plate chambers

$\Rightarrow$ Charged particles leave hits when going through (only muons do)



Sensitive parts of CMS

Combine sub-detectors signals to determine which particles were there!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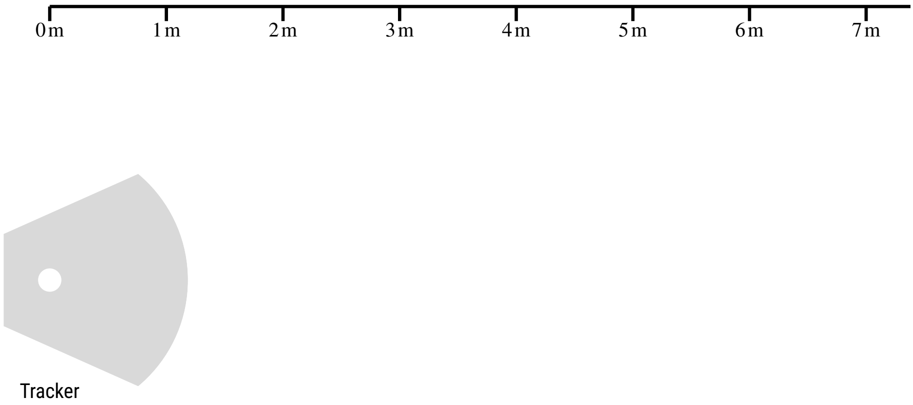
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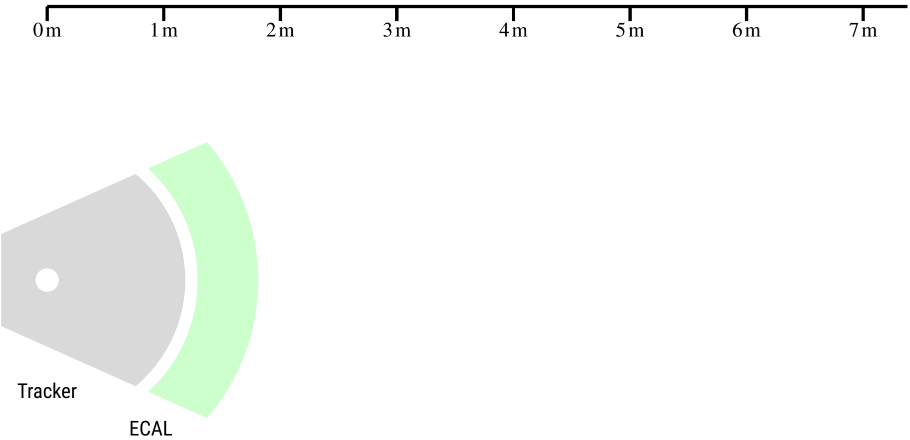
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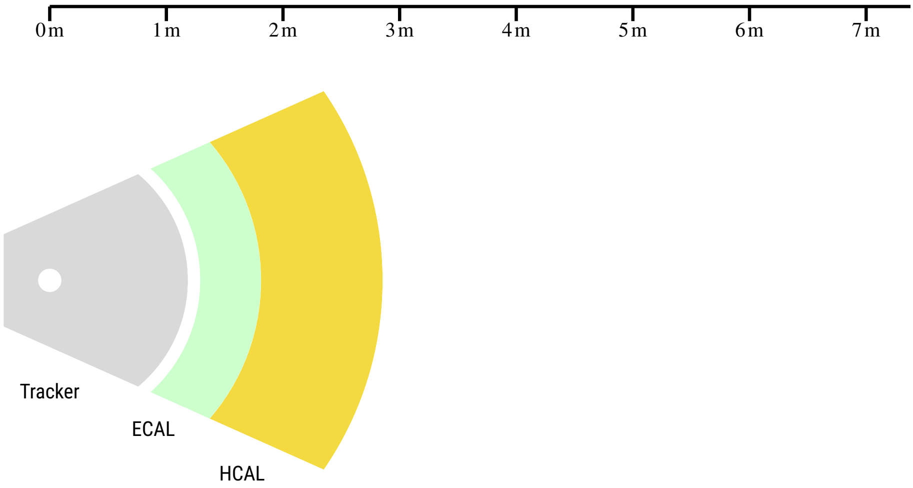
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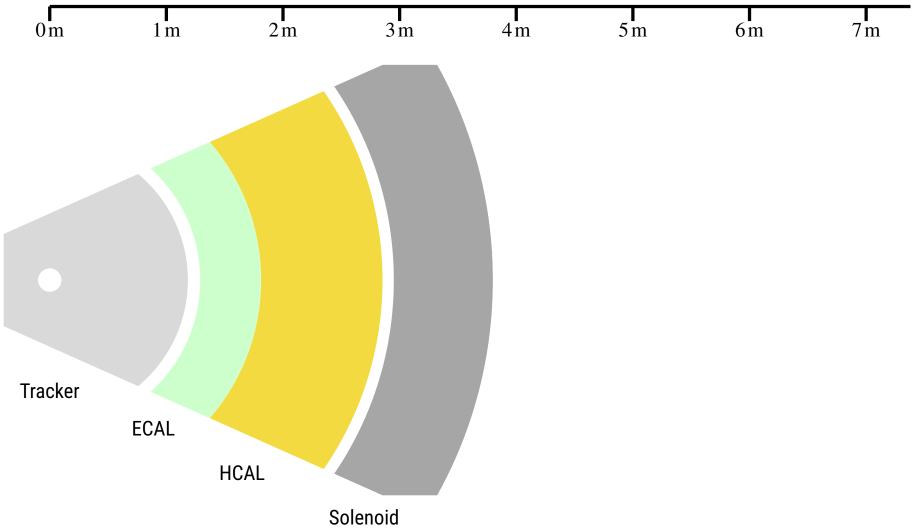
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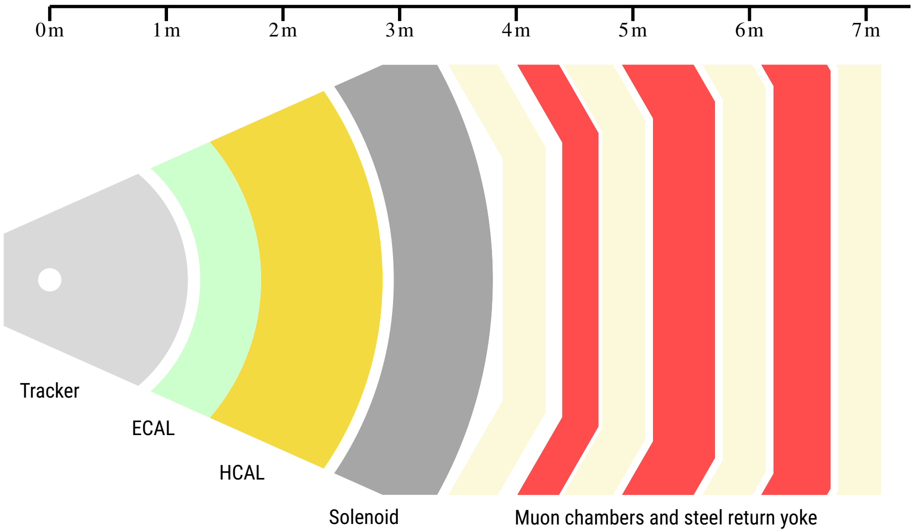
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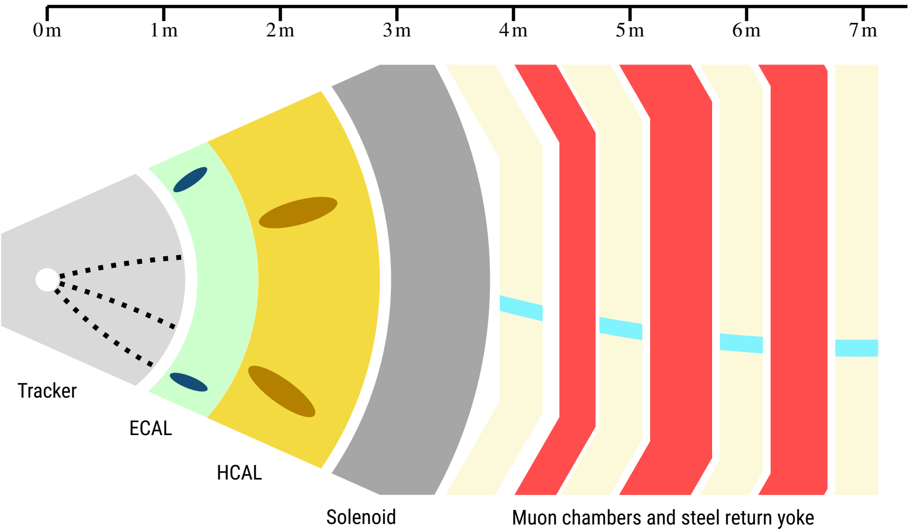
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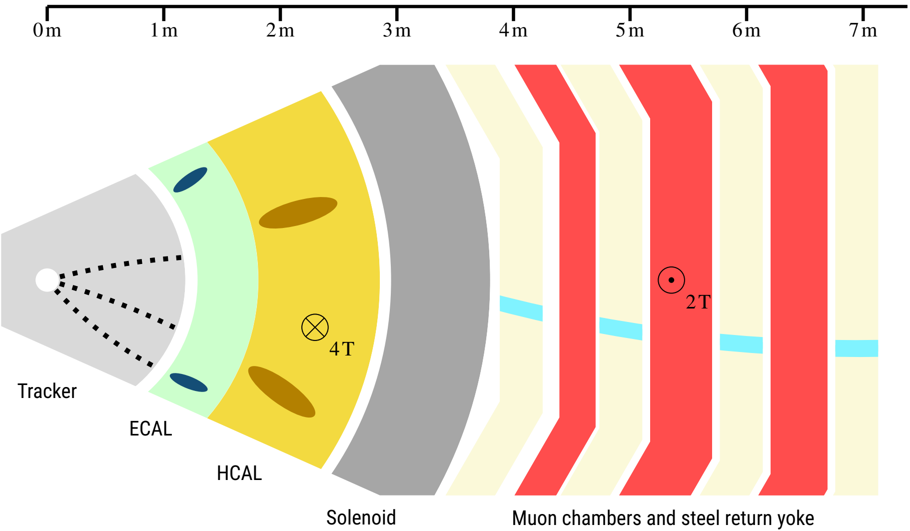
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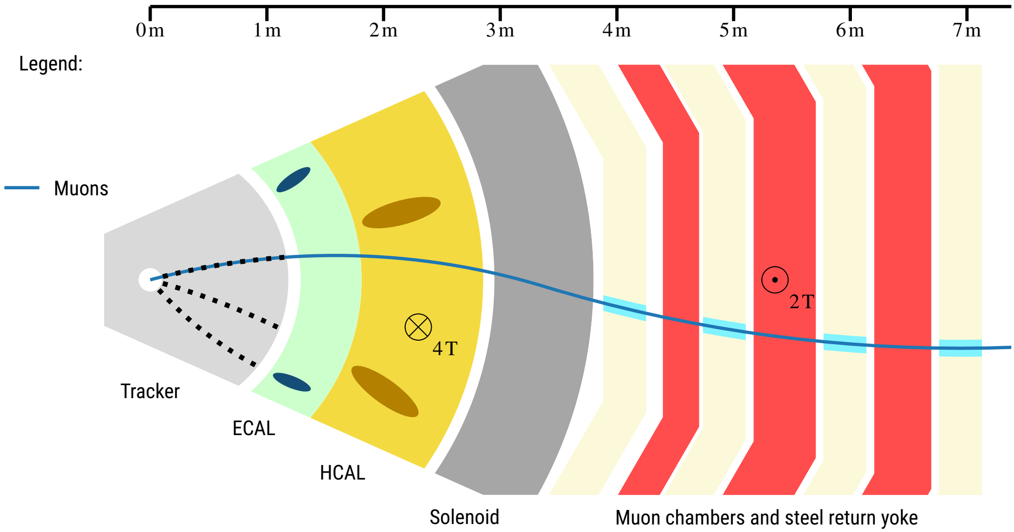
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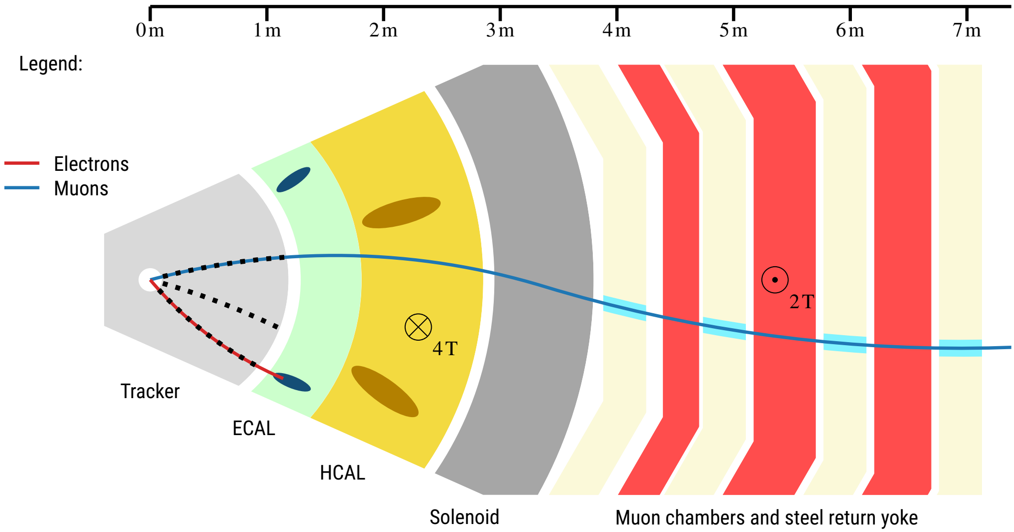
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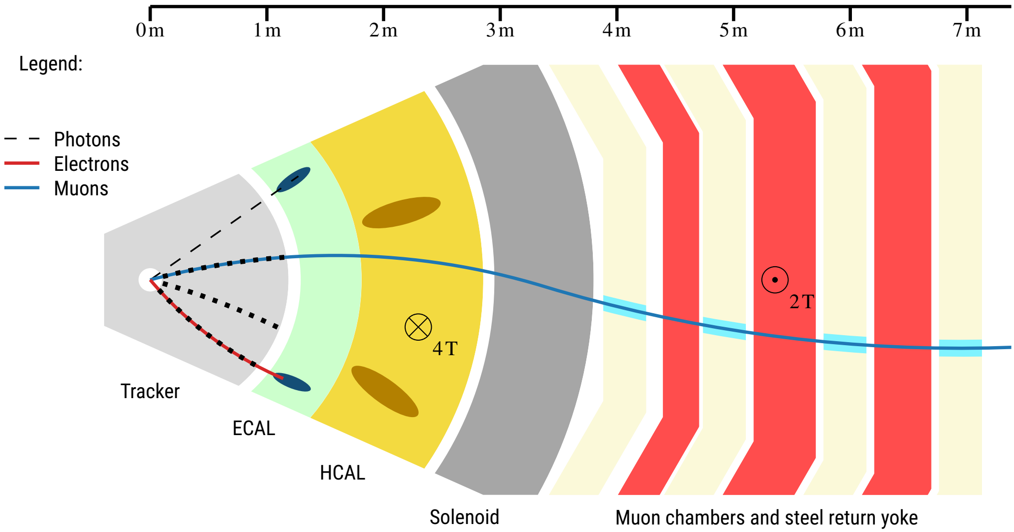
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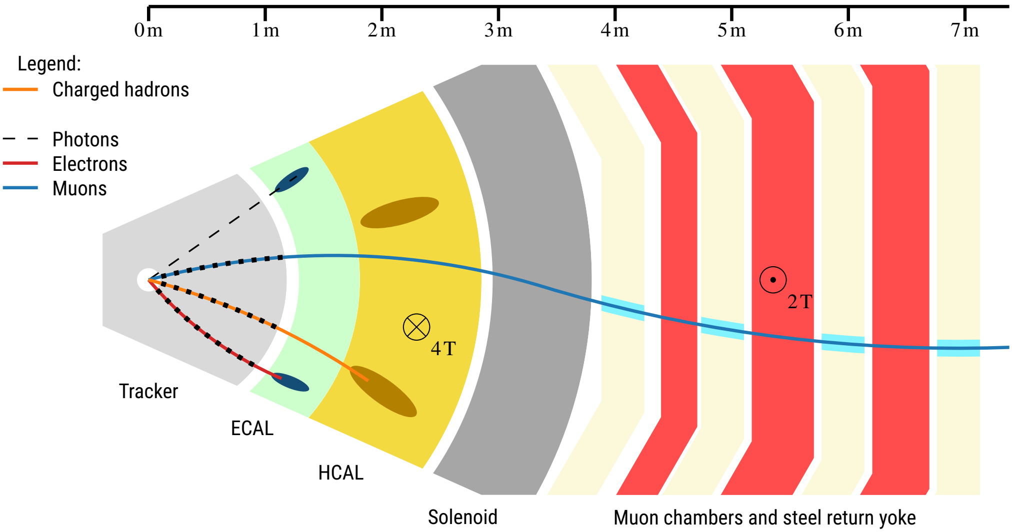
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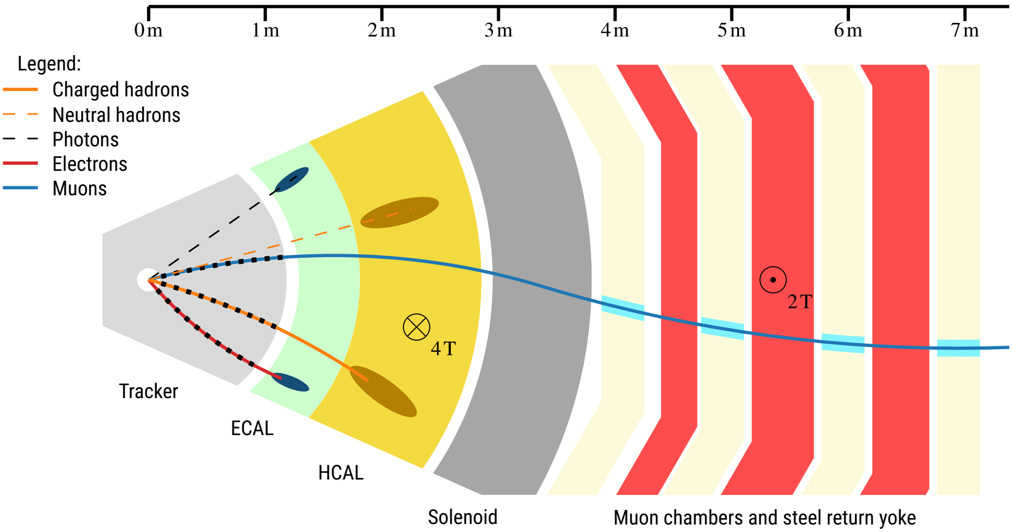
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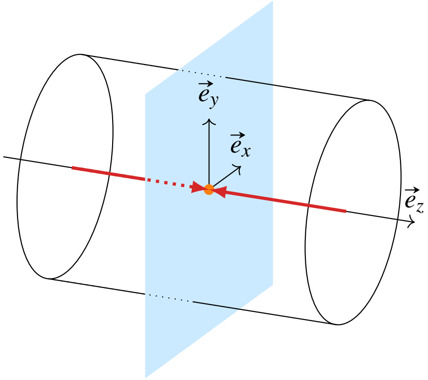

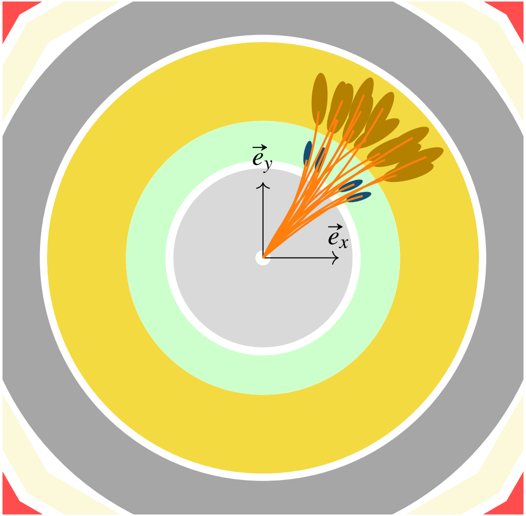

Conserved momentum: $\sum_{\text{initial state}} \vec{p}_\text{T} = \sum_{\text{final state}} \vec{p}_\text{T} = \vec{0}$

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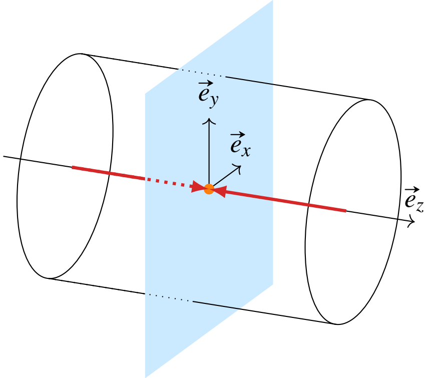
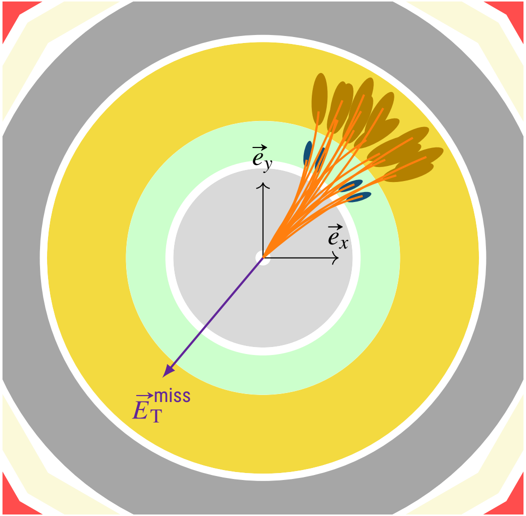
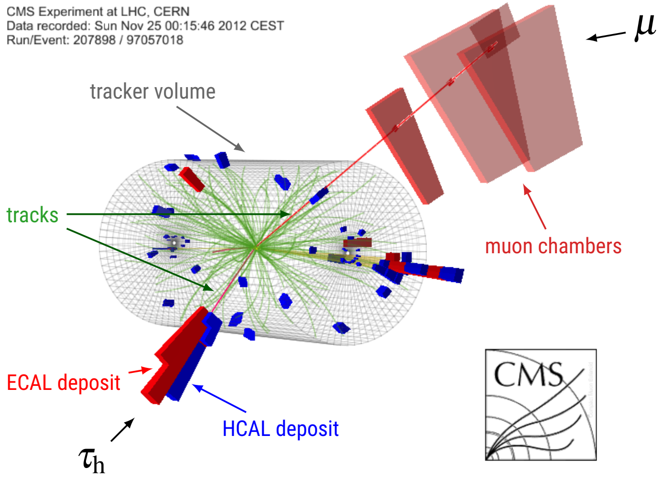




$$\sum_{\text{final state}} \vec{p}_T = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \boxed{\vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}} = -\sum_{\text{visible particles}} \vec{p}_T}$$

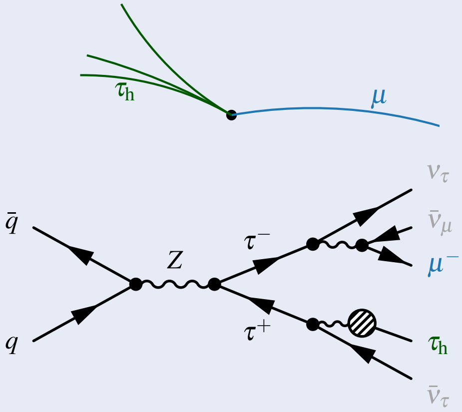
Event display: $h \to \tau\tau \to \mu\tau_{\mathrm{h}}$ candidate from real data



Backgrounds?

Backgrounds: Drell-Yan

Drell-Yan (especially $Z \to \tau\tau$)



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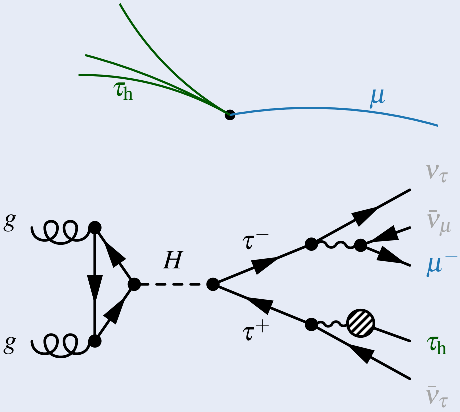

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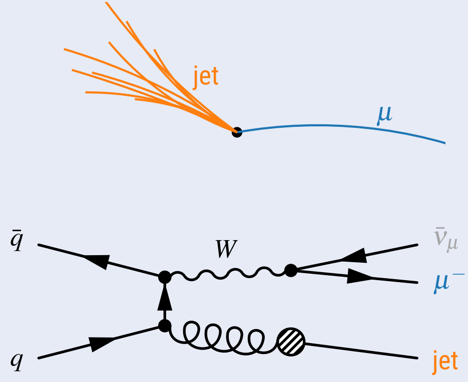

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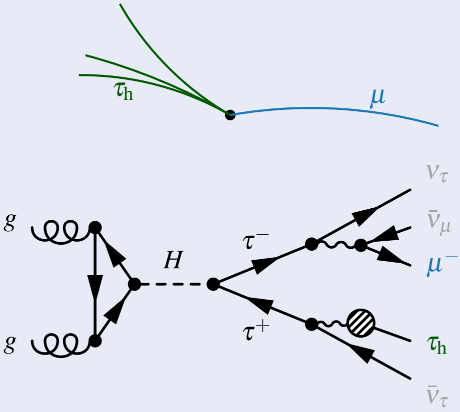

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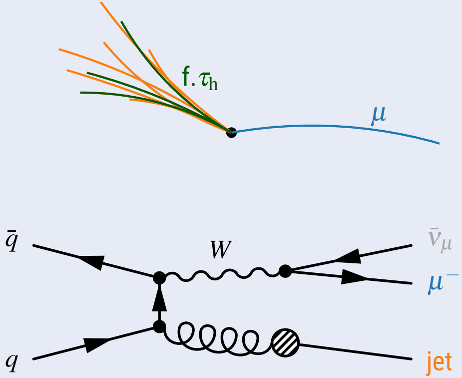
$W+$jets, jet $\to$ fake τ_h



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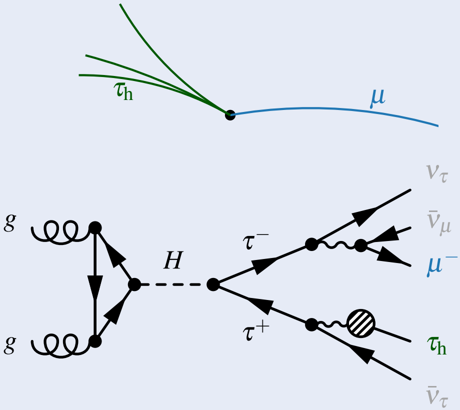

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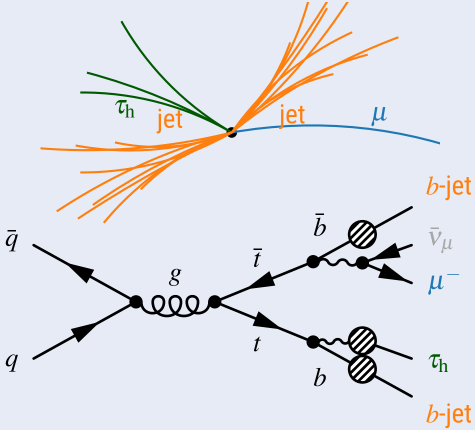

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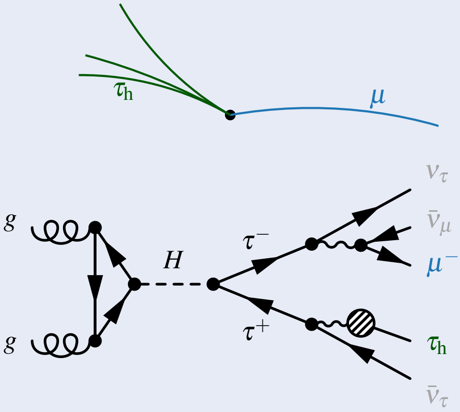

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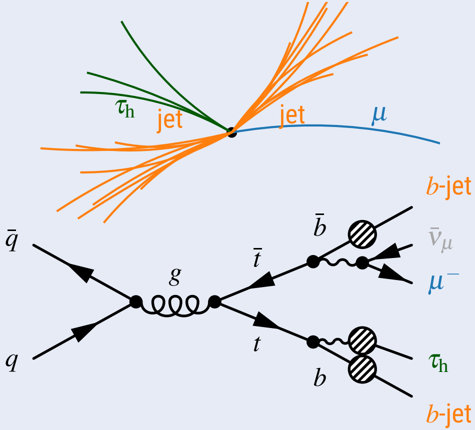
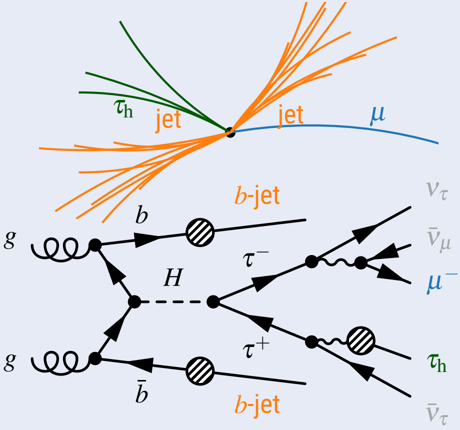
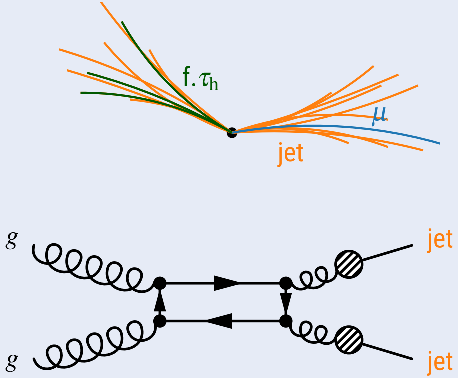


H production with b-jets



Backgrounds: QCD

QCD



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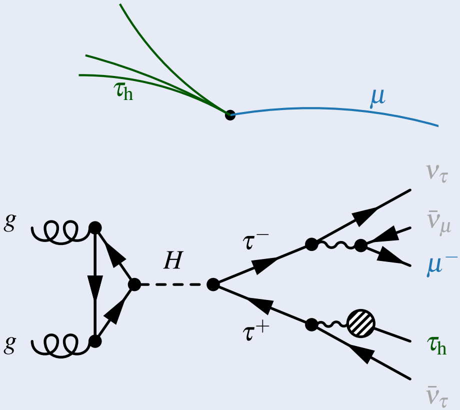

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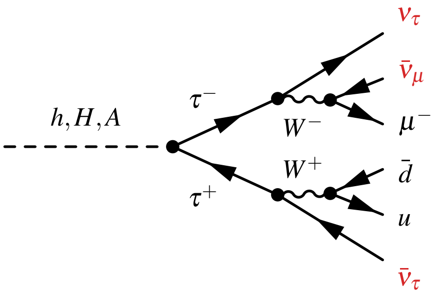

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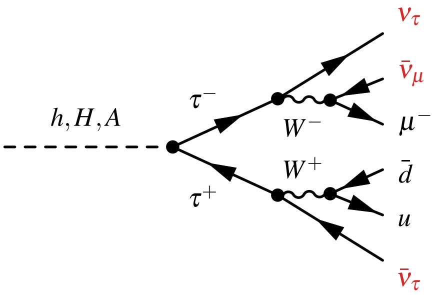

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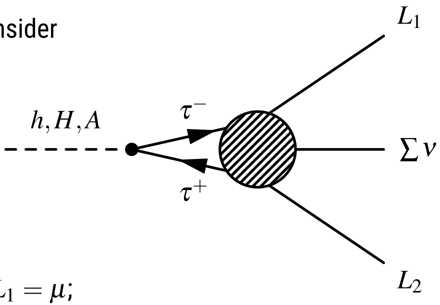


where

- $L_1 = \mu$;
- $L_2 = u\bar{d} \to \tau_h$;
- $\sum \nu \simeq E_T^{\text{miss}}$;

with respect to the left side.

Discriminant variable: $m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}}$

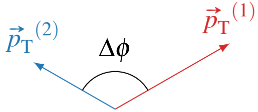
- For L_1, L_2 and $E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\text{miss}}$ system,
  - in the transverse plane (use $E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\text{miss}}$),
  - for $E_i \gg m_i$ (highly relativistic case),

deriving the "invariant" mass would then lead to

the **total transverse mass**, $m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}}$

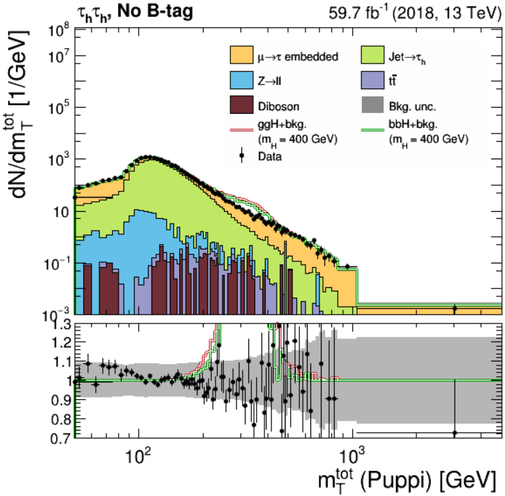
$$\boxed{m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}} = \sqrt{m_{\mathrm{T}}^2(L_1, E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\text{miss}}) + m_{\mathrm{T}}^2(L_2, E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\text{miss}}) + m_{\mathrm{T}}^2(L_1, L_2)}}$$

$$m_{\mathrm{T}}(1,2) = \sqrt{2 p_T^{(1)} p_T^{(2)} (1 - \cos\Delta\phi)}$$



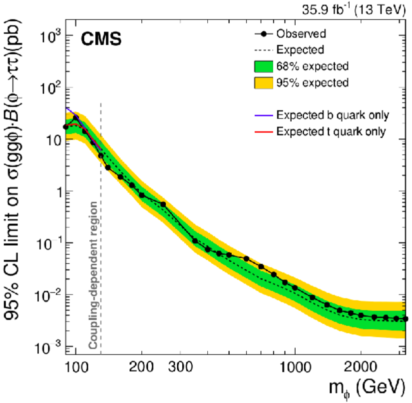
m_T^{tot} distribution

- Drell-Yann in "$\mu \to \tau$ embedded"
- QCD & $W+$jets in "Jet $\to \tau_h$"
- Lots of work to obtain this!
  - simulated events
  - detector issues
  - uncertainties measured
- Collaboration with KIT (Germany)
- Data/Bkg agreement $\to$ exclusion limits



2018, $\tau_h\tau_h$ channel, prefit

Exclusion limits: expect $3\times$ better



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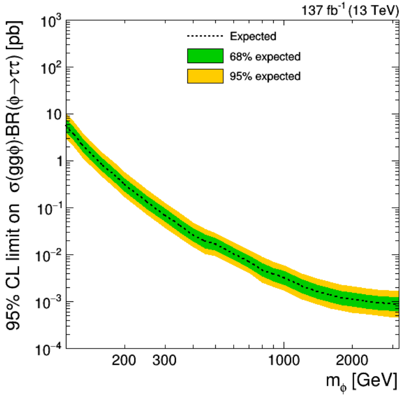

full Run II 2016-2018

▷ The CMS Collaboration. “Search for additional neutral MSSM Higgs bosons in the di-tau final state in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13\,\text{TeV}$”. *Journal of High Energy Physics* **09**.007 (Sept. 2018). DOI: 10.1007/JHEP09(2018)007.

- Remember: invariant mass not available (neutrinos).
  - Using $m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}}$ instead, but this is **not** the mass!
  - Difficult to know Z or $H \to \tau\tau$...
- It would be great to have a di-τ mass estimator!
  - What about *Machine Learning*?

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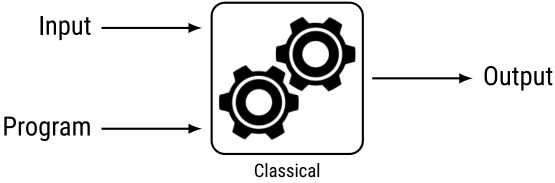

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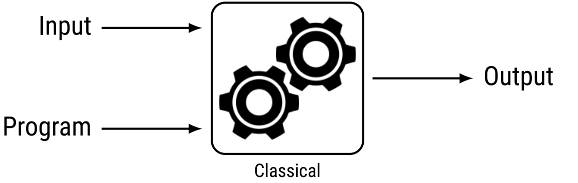

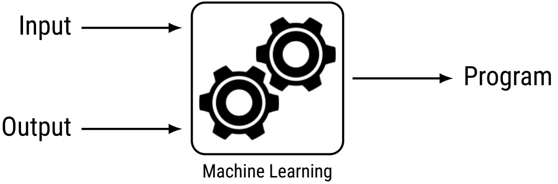

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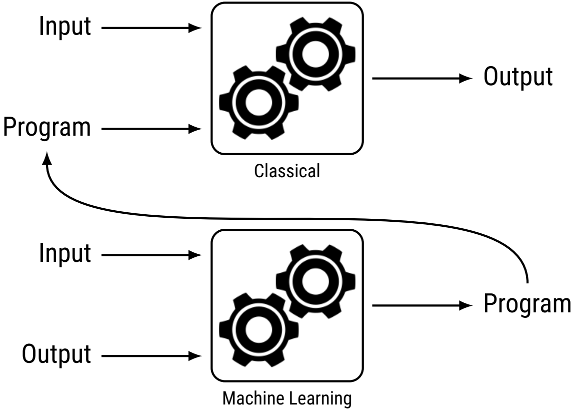

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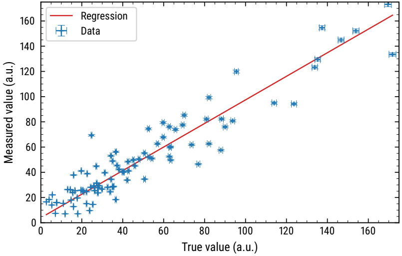
- Continuous target ⇒ Regression

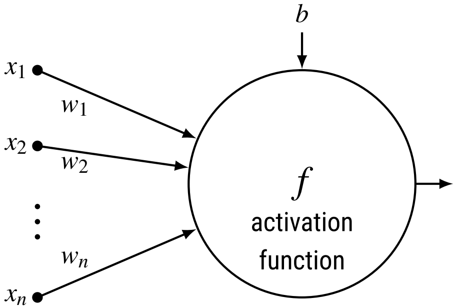
e.g. discriminating variable!

Linear case:



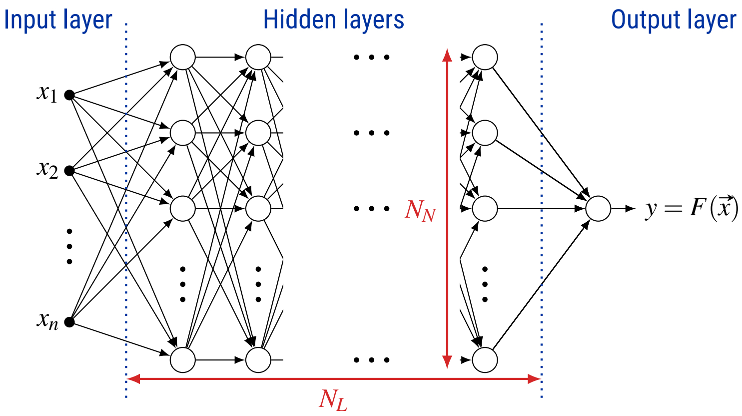
What if the target is not linear wrt. input?

Neurons in ML



$$\text{Output} = f\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i x_i + b\right)$$

- Parameters: $w_1, w_2, \ldots, w_n, b$
- Equivalent to linear regression for $f = \mathbb{1} : x \mapsto x$



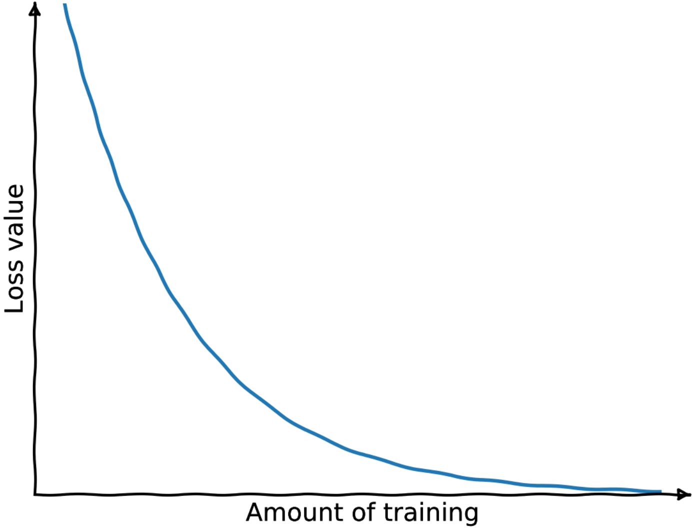
e.g. $N_L = 3$ and $N_N = 1000$

How to train a neural network?

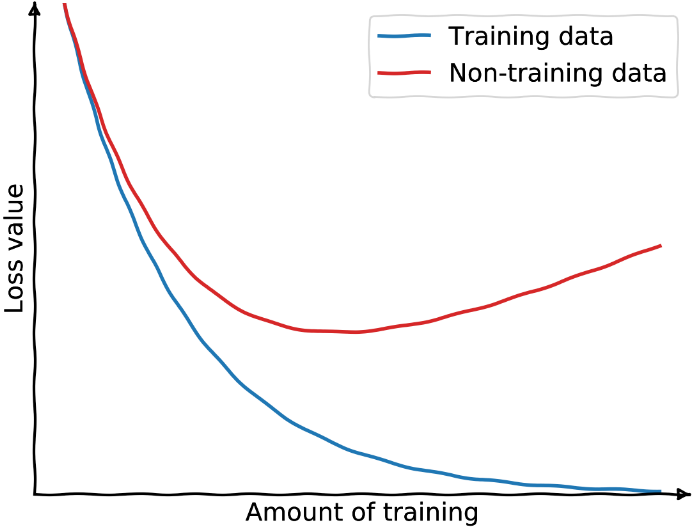
Train = optimize parameters $(w_1, w_2, \ldots, w_n, b)$ for each neuron.

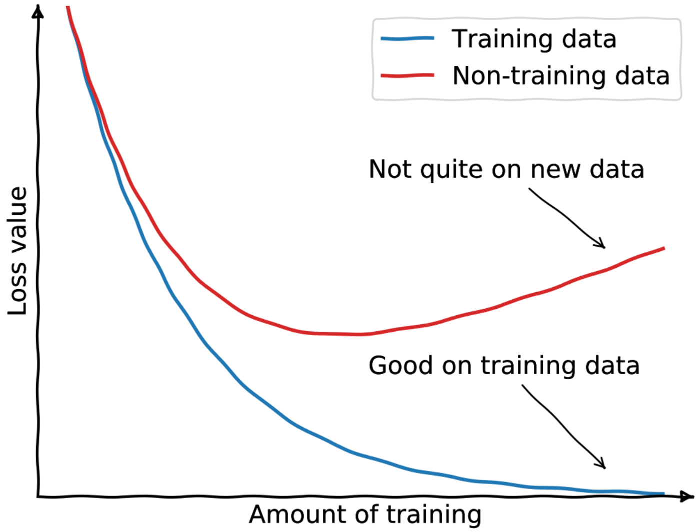
- Get a **training dataset** = examples of inputs $\vec{x}_i$ with corresponding outputs y_i
- Compare the model predictions $F(\vec{x}_i)$ to the true values y_i
  - Define a **loss function** L such that its minimum is reached when $F(\vec{x}_i) = y_i$
  - Change the parameters a bit, aiming at minimizing $L(F(\vec{x}_i), y_i)$
  - Repeat

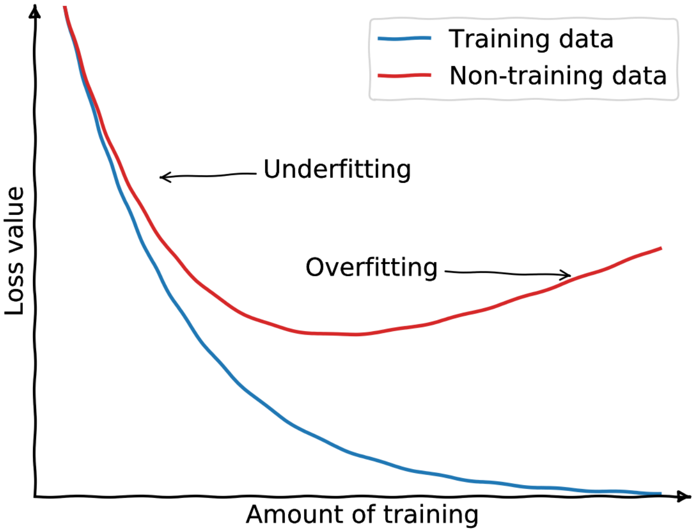
When to stop training?

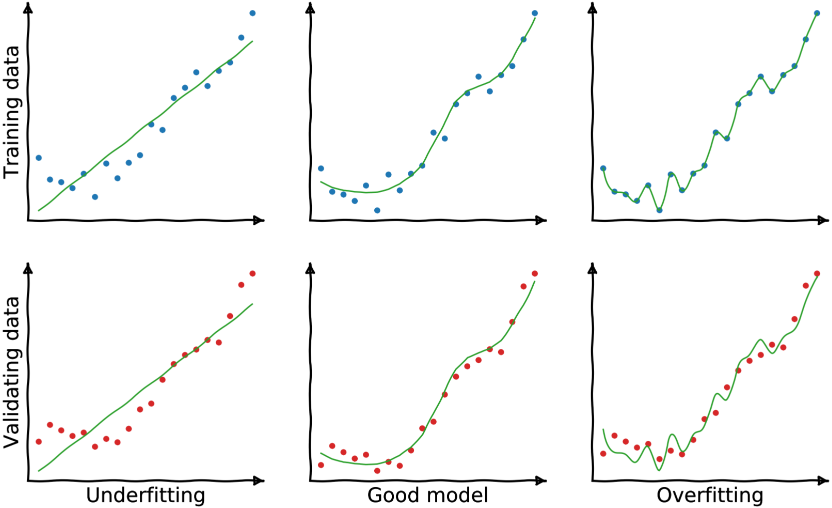

Loss value
Amount of training

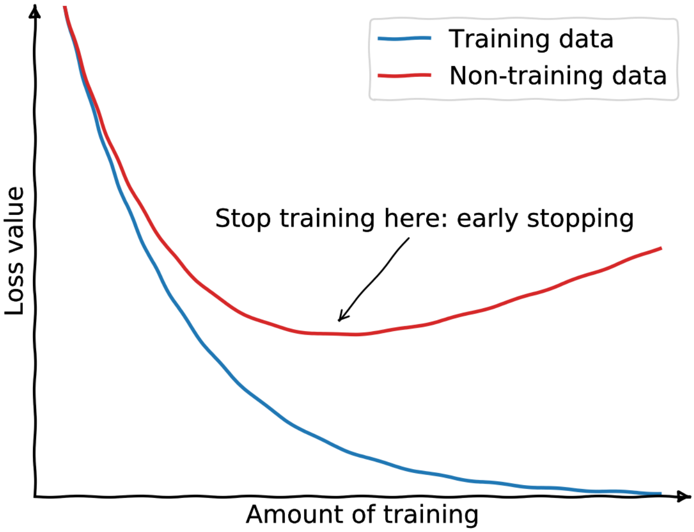

Really good?
Loss value
Amount of training

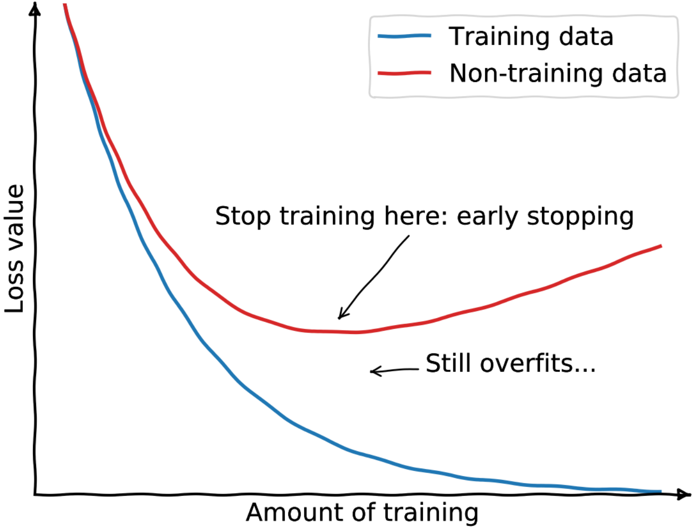

Training data
Non-training data
Loss value
Amount of training


Training data
Non-training data
Not quite on new data
Good on training data
Loss value
Amount of training


Training data
Non-training data
Underfitting
Overfitting
Loss value
Amount of training


Training data
Validating data
Underfitting
Good model
Overfitting


Training data
Non-training data
Stop training here: early stopping
Loss value
Amount of training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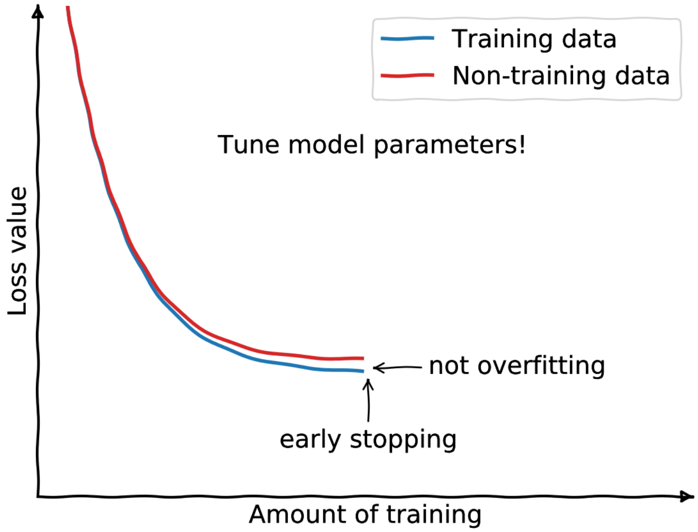
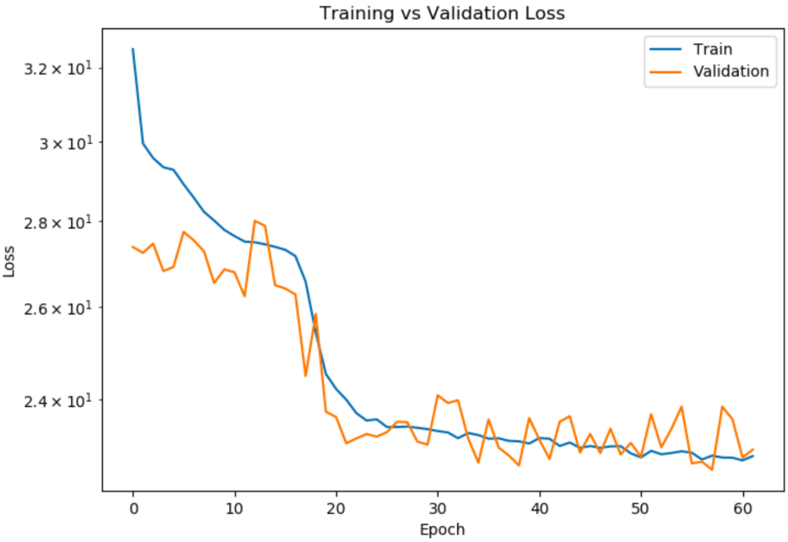
Still overfits...
Amount of training


Training data
Non-training data
Tune model parameters!
Loss value
not overfitting
early stopping
Amount of training



Training vs Validation Loss
Train
Validation
3.2×10^1
3×10^1
2.8×10^1
2.6×10^1
2.4×10^1
Loss
0
10
20
30
40
50
60
Epoch

Grid search: hyperparameters

Hyperparameter	Values
Hidden layers	from 2 to 5
Neurons per layers	from 500 to 2000 (per setps of 100)
Loss function	MAPE, MSE
Activation function	ReLU, ELU, SELU
Optimizer	Adam, Adadelta, SGD
Weights initialisation	uniform, normal

- **2304** different models!
  - about 15 minutes to train one...
  - 1 month! But done in parallel on 2 GPUs.

Datasets

- We generated $H \to \tau\tau$ with FastSim, only changing $m_H \in [80, 800]$ GeV:
  - 60,000 events for $m_H < 300\,\mathrm{GeV}$,
  - 20,000 events for $300\,\mathrm{GeV} \leqslant m_H < 500\,\mathrm{GeV}$,
  - 10,000 events for $m_H \geqslant 500\,\mathrm{GeV}$.
- Split into 3 subsamples:
  - $70\,\%$ for training,
  - $20\,\%$ for validation,
  - remaining $10\,\%$ for tests.

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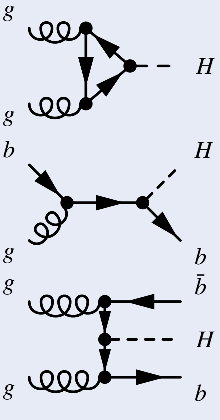
What about input variables?

Higgs production



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eventual jets

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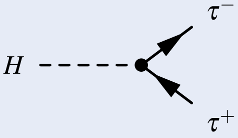
$H \to \tau\tau$



2 taus

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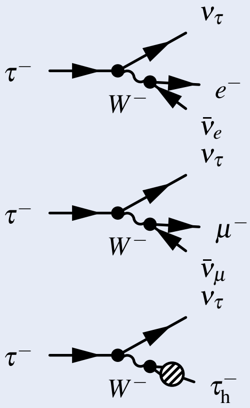
τ decays



$\{1,2\}$ neutrinos per tau
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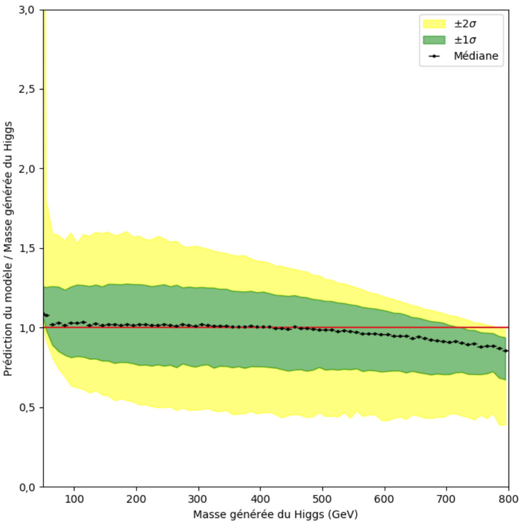
  - number of neutrinos ($\tau_{\mathrm{h}}\tau_{\mathrm{h}} = 2$, $\ell\tau_{\mathrm{h}} = 3$, $\ell\ell = 4$);
  - number of PU vertices `npvsGood`.

Best model obtained

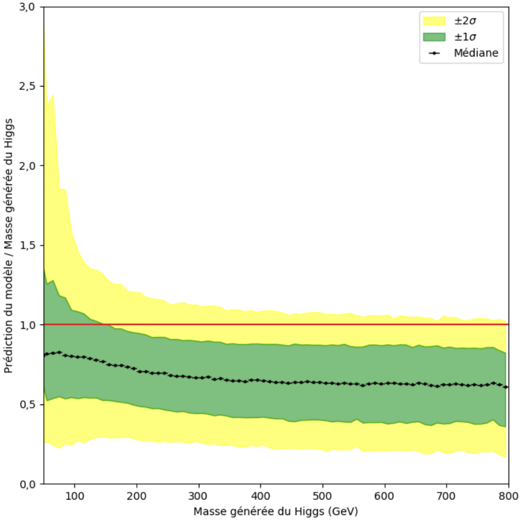
Model properties

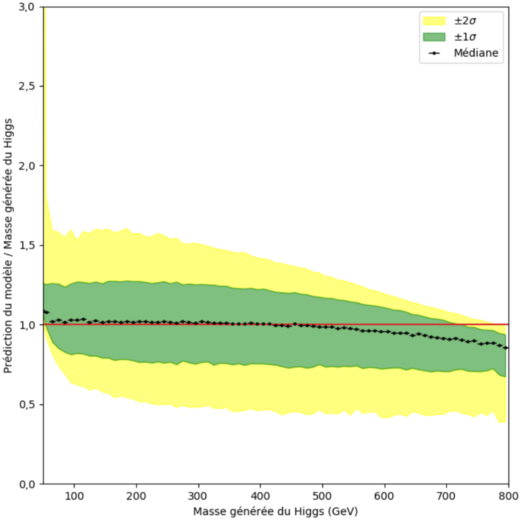
Activation function	SELU
Loss function	MAPE
Optimizer	Adam
Hidden layers	3
Neurons per hidden layer	1400

Model response as function of target ⟶

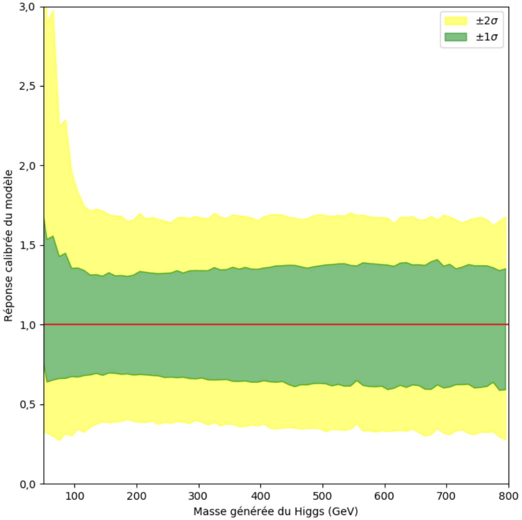


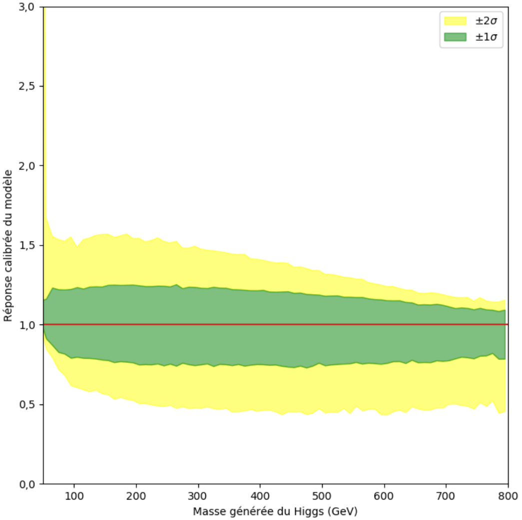
- Compare with $m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}} \Rightarrow$ ML model is better at giving m_H!





- Calibrated responses for $m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}}$ and the ML model $\Rightarrow$ improved resolution!





Conclusion & next steps

- MSSM $H \to \tau\tau$ full Run II analysis on final stage with $m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}}$.
  - Improvements wrt. last results on 2016 data.
- Successful m_H reconstruction in di-τ events!
  - $Z/H \to \tau\tau$ discrimination improved wrt. $m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}}$.
  - Switch from $m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}}$ to a ML-based output?
    - Expect improvements on exclusion limits but hard to quantify.
    - Expect results by March.
  - Not only $H \to \tau\tau$ but any $X \to \tau\tau$ analysis could benefit!

Thank you for your attention!

– Backup slides –

2 Higgs doublets models for supersymmetry

$$
\begin{aligned}
V(\phi_1,\phi_2) = {} & \lambda_1\left(\phi_1^\dagger\phi_1 - \frac{1}{2}v_1^2\right)^2 + \lambda_2\left(\phi_2^\dagger\phi_2 - \frac{1}{2}v_2^2\right)^2 \\
& + \lambda_3\left[\left(\phi_1^\dagger\phi_1 - \frac{1}{2}v_1^2\right) + \left(\phi_2^\dagger\phi_2 - \frac{1}{2}v_2^2\right)\right]^2 + \lambda_4\left[(\phi_1^\dagger\phi_1)(\phi_2^\dagger\phi_2) - (\phi_1^\dagger\phi_2)(\phi_2^\dagger\phi_1)\right] \\
& + \lambda_5\left[\Re\left(\phi_1^\dagger\phi_2\right) - \frac{1}{2}v_1v_2\cos\xi\right]^2 + \lambda_6\left[\Im\left(\phi_1^\dagger\phi_2\right) - \frac{1}{2}v_1v_2\sin\xi\right]^2 \\
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\end{aligned}
$$

2 Higgs doublets models for supersymmetry

$$\langle \phi_1 \rangle_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \langle \phi_2 \rangle_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_2 \mathrm{e}^{\mathrm{i}\xi} \end{pmatrix}$$

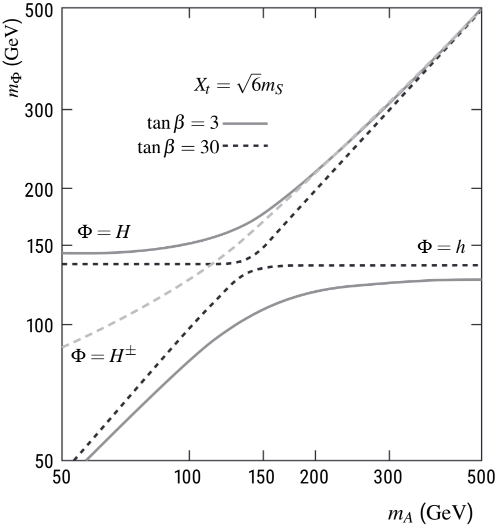
$$\boxed{\tan\beta = \frac{\langle \phi_2 \rangle_0}{\langle \phi_1 \rangle_0} = \frac{v_2}{v_1}}$$

Higgs bosons in the MSSM

Minimal Supersymmetric extension of Standard Model

5 Higgs bosons

light scalar	h	SM or MSSM
heavy scalar	H	MSSM or SM
pseudo-scalar	A	MSSM
$+$ charged	H^+	MSSM
$-$ charged	H^-	MSSM



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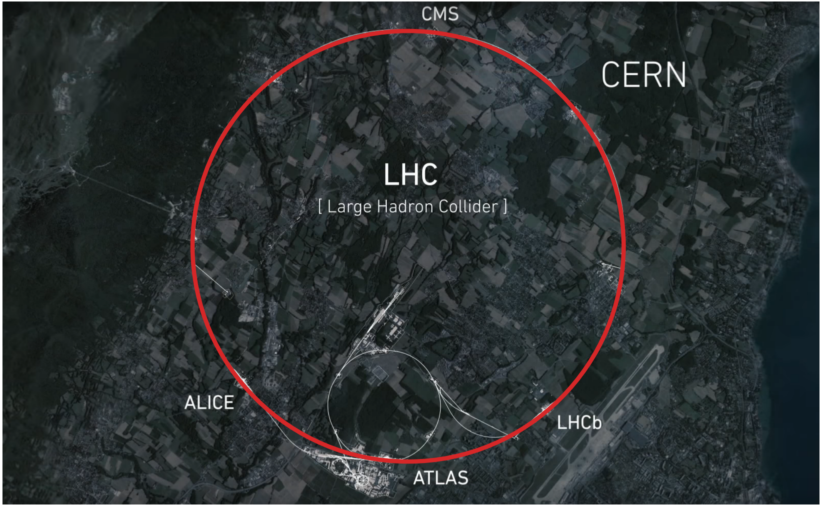
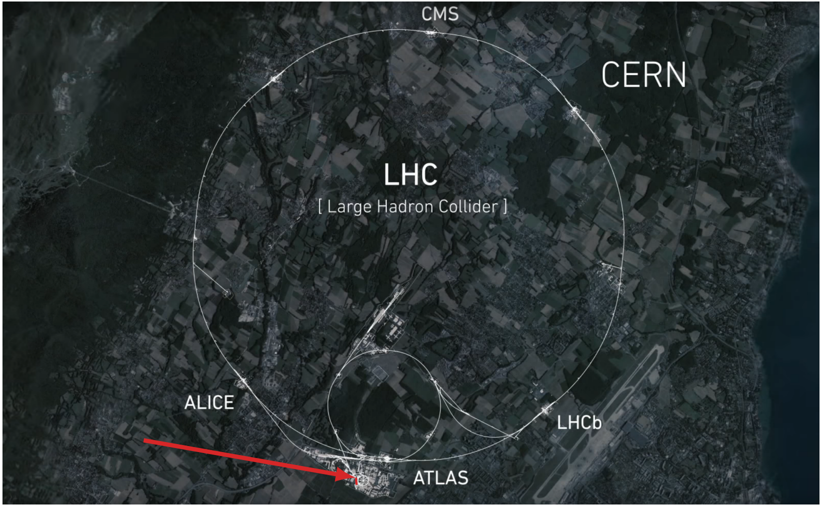
CERN & LHC

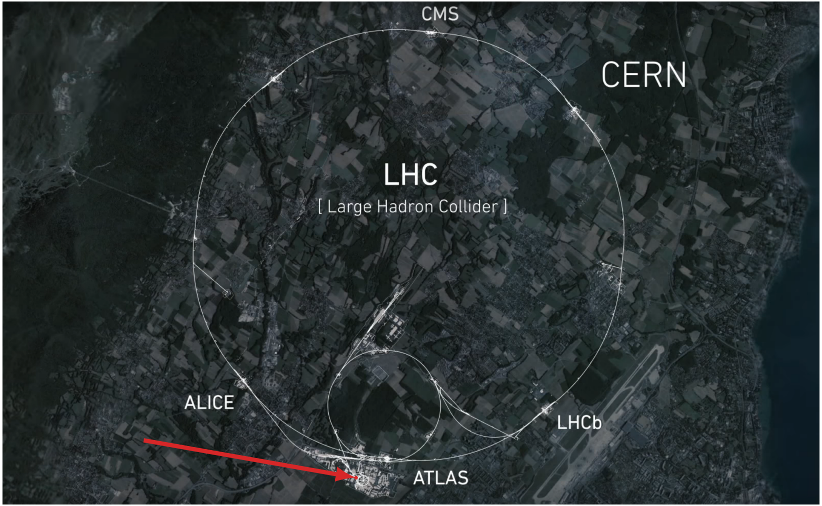
LHC



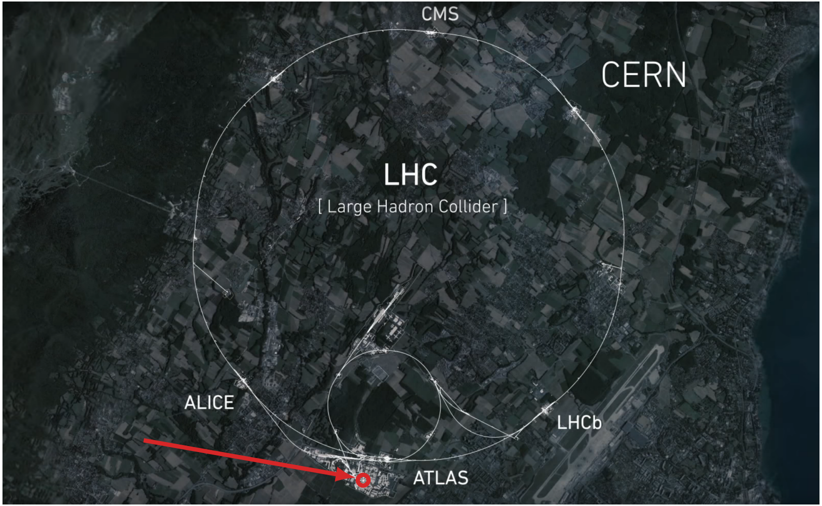
LINAC2 (50 MeV)



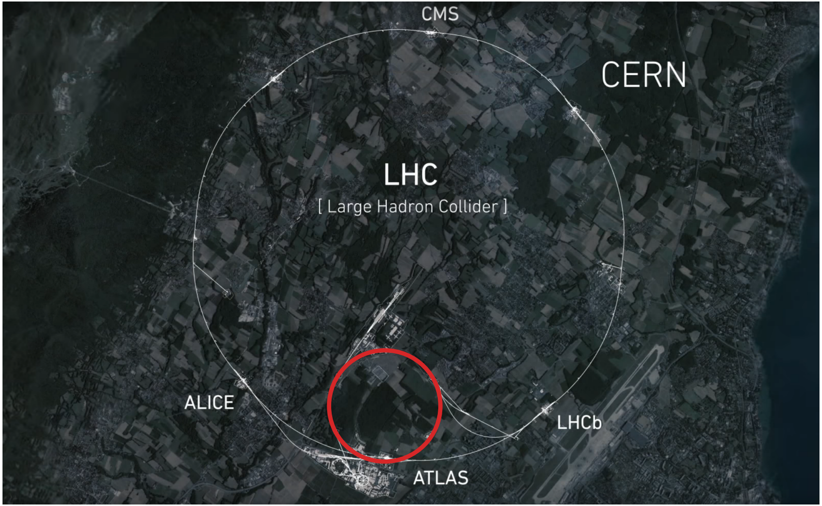
Booster (1972, 157 m, 1.4 GeV)



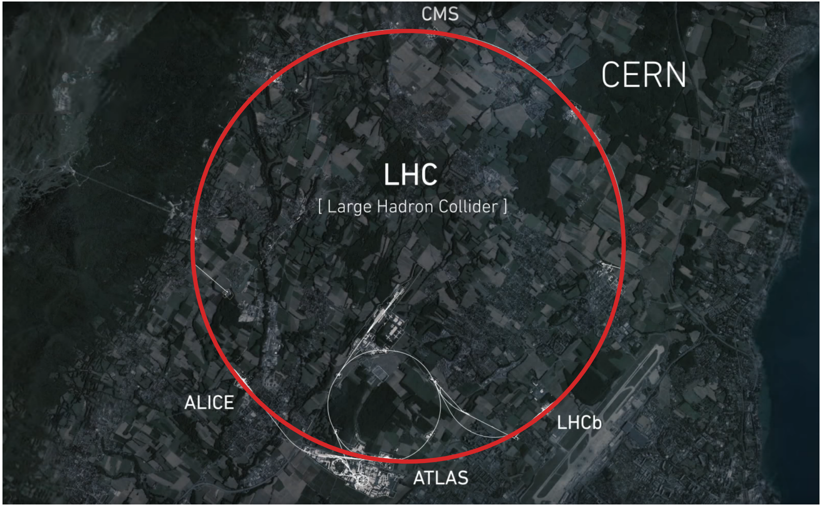
PS (1959, 628 m, 25 GeV)



SPS (1976, 7 km, 450 GeV)



LHC (2008, $27\,\mathrm{km}$, $2 \times 7\,\mathrm{TeV}$)



Using histograms

- Find a discriminating variable:
  - for uncorrelated τ pairs, it's random
  - for τ pairs coming from a particle (Higgs?), not random.
- For one τ pair only, impossible to say!
- With many events, a difference may show up.

The rabbit analogy

- What the theorists say:
  - There is a white rabbit that once lived in a casino.
  - The rabbit loved watching people playing dices.
  - He was happy when the result of dice was 4.
  - So when he sees a dice, he turns it so that the result is 4.
  - But this rabbit is very shy and nobody has seen him since the casino closure.
- The only way to know if he's here is to throw a dice and come back to see the result.
  - If the rabbit has been here, the dice will show a 4!

▷ CERN. *The Higgs Discovery Explained – Ep. 3/3*. URL: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8-WFBGCvv-w.

The rabbit analogy

- Dice results: 4

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- Dice results: 4, 2

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- Dice results: 4, 2, 4, 1, 3, 2, 5, 1, 1, 6...

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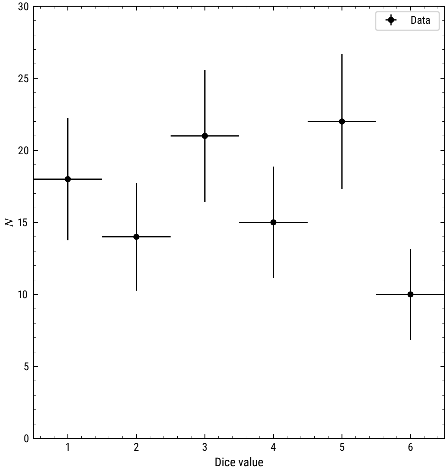
On 100 days $\longrightarrow$



Not really conclusive...

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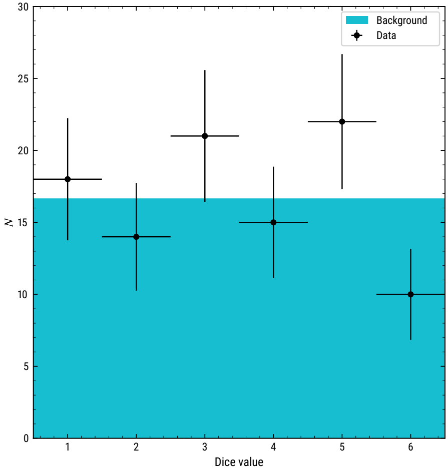

Comparing with predictions!

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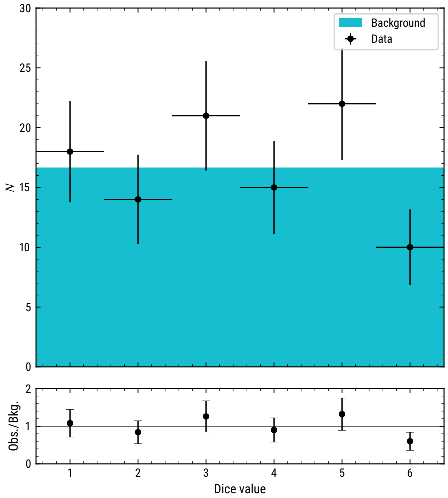

Also add ratio plot:
observed / predictions

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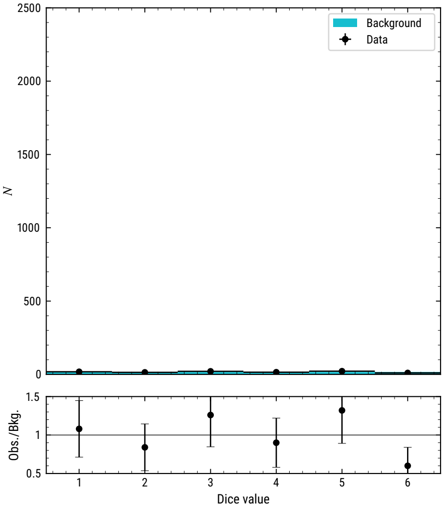

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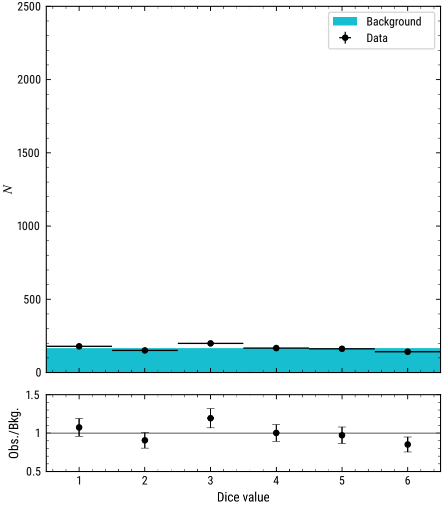

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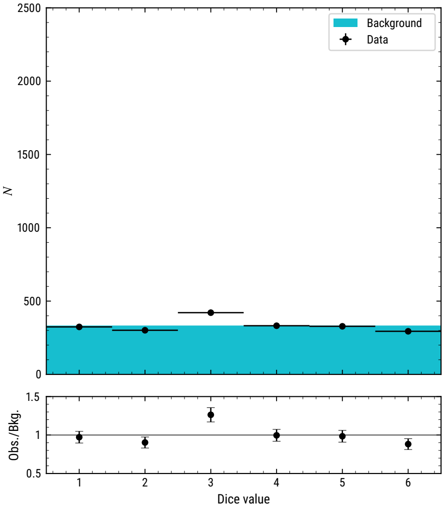

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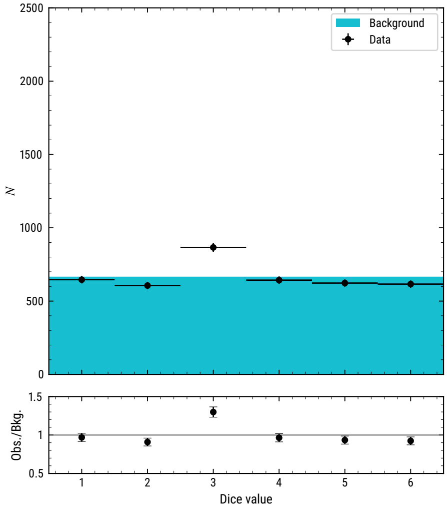
On 4000 days →



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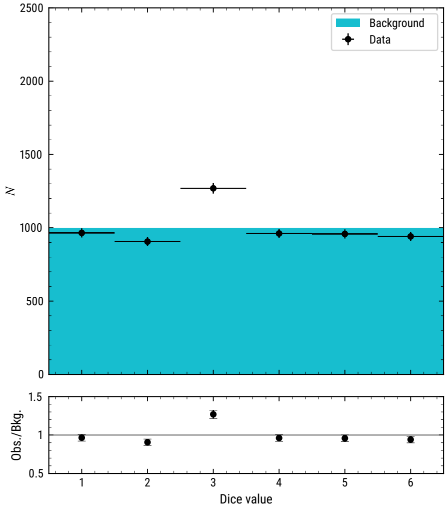
The rabbit analogy

On 6000 days $\longrightarrow$



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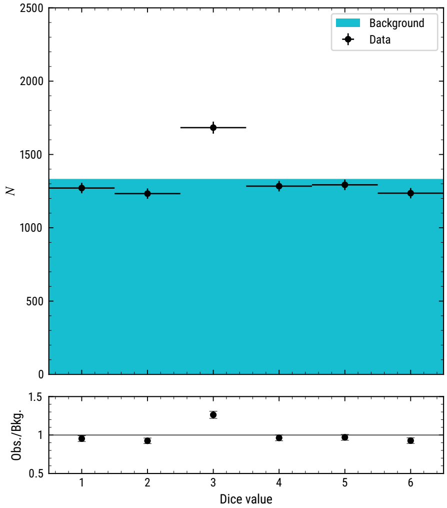
On 8000 days $\longrightarrow$



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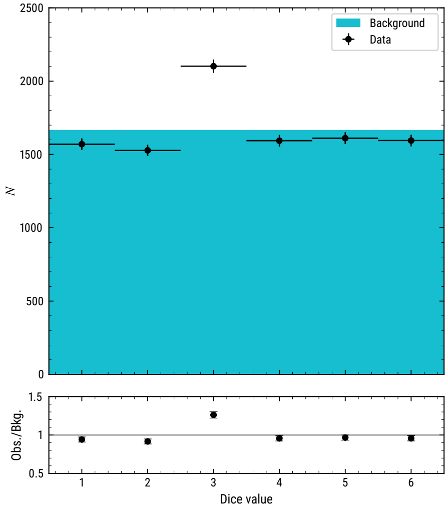
On 10,000 days $\rightarrow$



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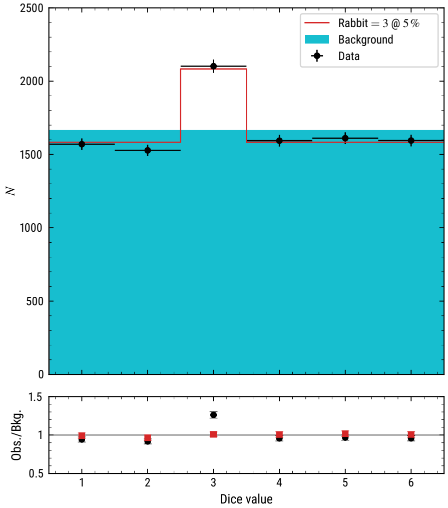

In red, hypothesis of the rabbit with 3 as preferred result (instead of 4!), with a probability to show up of $5\,\%$.

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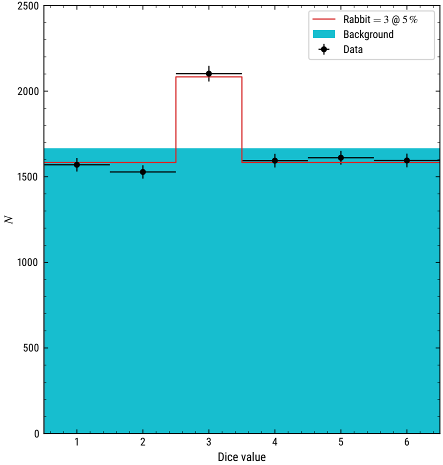
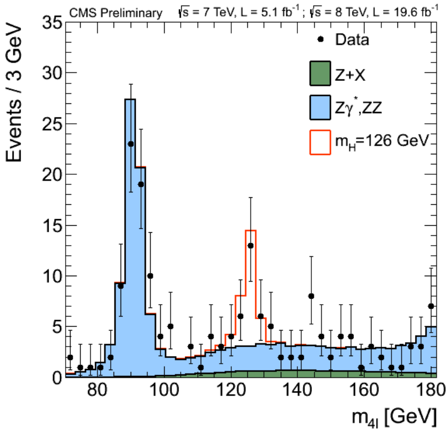
The rabbit analogy

Search for	the rabbit	the Higgs
Observed data	dice values	pp collisions outgoing particles
Discriminating variable	dice value	invariant or transverse mass
Backgrounds predictions	random dice	Standard Model processes
Amount of data	number of days	luminosity
Signal probability	rabbit's shyness	process cross-section





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Datasets

Observed data (MiniAOD)

- $\tau_h\tau_h$
  - /Tau/Run2016[B-H]
  - /Tau/Run2017[B-F]
  - /Tau/Run2018[A-D]
- $e\mu$
  - /MuonEG/Run2016[B-H]
  - /MuonEG/Run2017[B-F]
  - /MuonEG/Run2018[A-D]
- $\mu\tau_h$
  - /SingleMuon/Run2016[B-H]
  - /SingleMuon/Run2017[B-F]
  - /SingleMuon/Run2018[A-D]
- $e\tau_h$
  - /SingleElectron/Run2016[B-H]
  - /SingleElectron/Run2017[B-F]
  - /EGamma/Run2018[A-D]

*. More precisions on the exact datasets (date, version) in the manuscript!

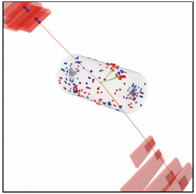
Datasets

Simulated signals (MiniAODSIM)

- SM Higgs signals
  - /GluGluHToTauTau_M125_13TeV_powheg_pythia8
  - /VBFHToTauTau_M125_13TeV_powheg_pythia8
  - /WplusHToTauTau_M125_13TeV_powheg_pythia8
  - /WminusHToTauTau_M125_13TeV_powheg_pythia8
  - /ggZH_HToTauTau_ZToLL_M125_13TeV_powheg_pythia8
  - /ggZH_HToTauTau_ZToNuNu_M125_13TeV_powheg_pythia8
  - /ggZH_HToTauTau_ZToQQ_M125_13TeV_powheg_pythia8
- MSSM signals
  - /SUSYGluGluToHToTauTau_M-*_TuneCUETP8M1_13TeV-pythia8
  - /SUSYGluGluToBBHToTauTau_M-*_TuneCUETP8M1_13TeV-amcatnlo-pythia8

Embedded events

$Z \to \mu\mu$ data



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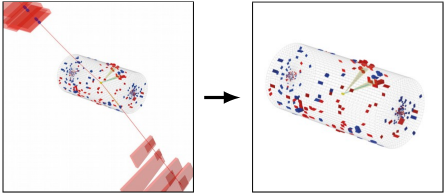
$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ data   Remove $\mu\mu$ system



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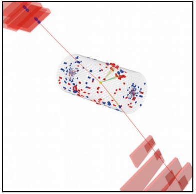

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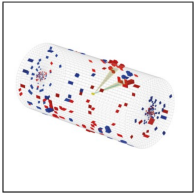
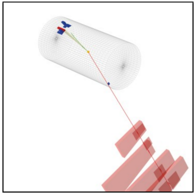


Simulate $Z \to \tau\tau$

$(\vec{p}_\tau = \vec{p}_\mu)$



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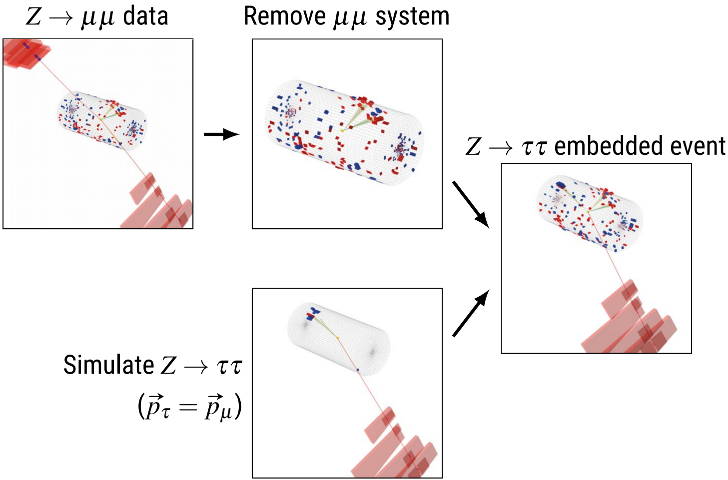

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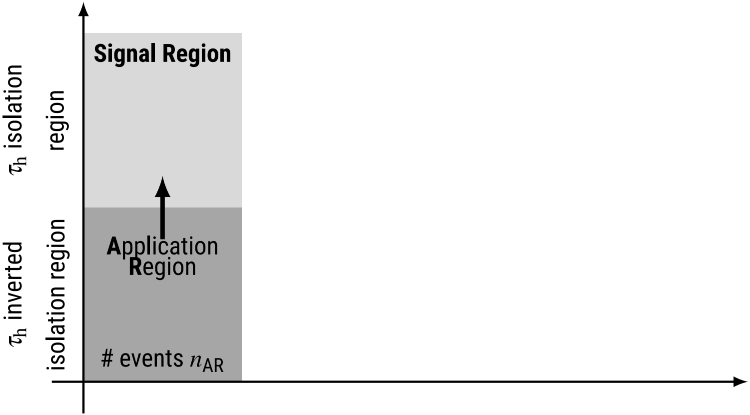

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The FF method: determination regions definitions

$t\bar{t}$ + jets

Estimation from simulated samples, same selection as in SR.

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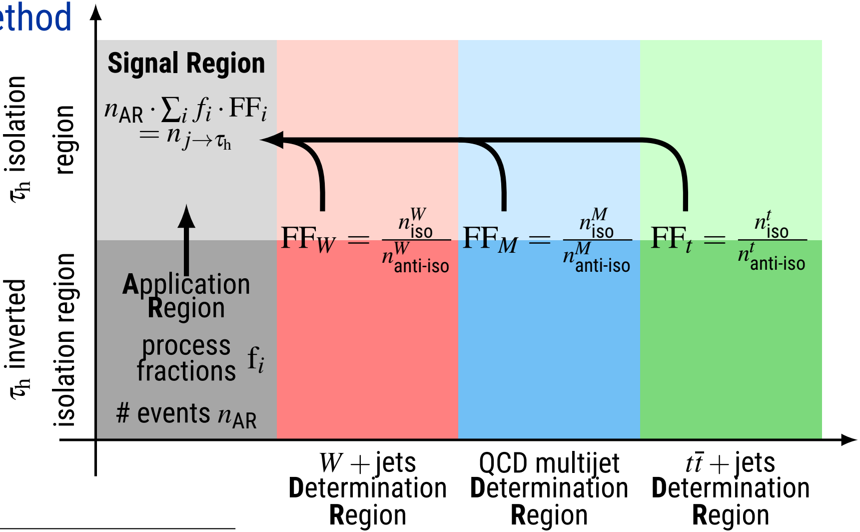

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μ and τ_h candidates

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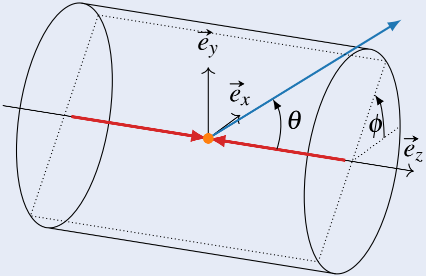
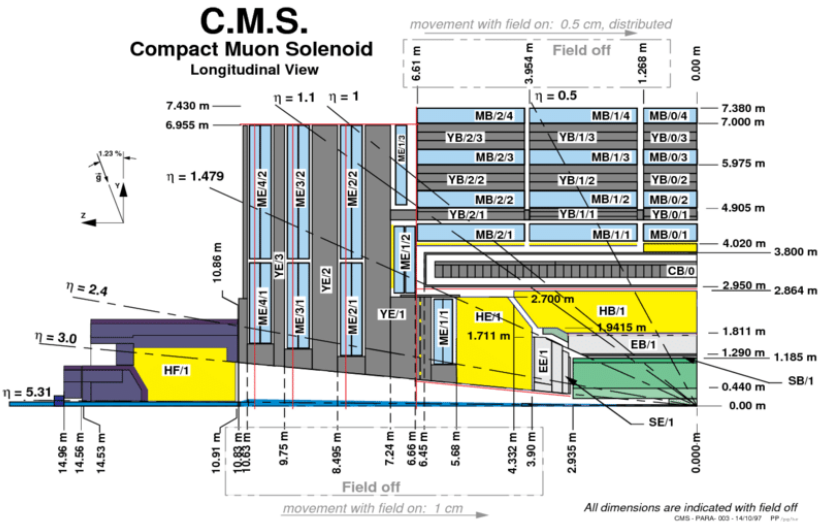
  - relative isolation < 0.15
  - NewDecayModeFinding (modes 5 to 9 vetoed)
  - deepTau anti-electron (VVL WP)
  - deepTau anti-muon (tight WP)
  - deepTau vs jet (medium WP)



$$\eta = -\ln\tan\frac{\theta}{2}$$

Values of η and trajectories in CMS



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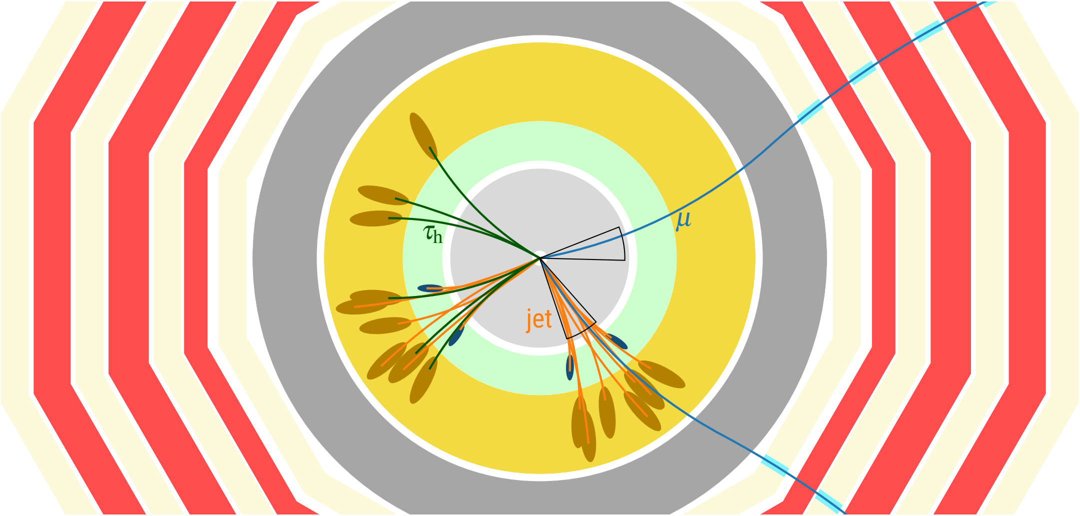

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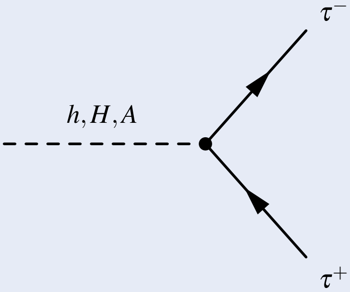

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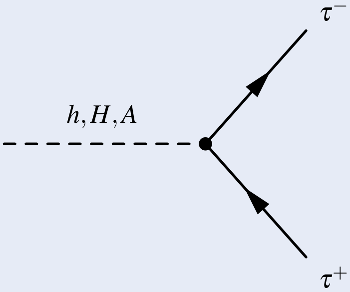

Selecting one dilepton

Choose by:

most isolated L_1, highest $p_\mathrm{T}{}^{L_1}$, most isolated L_2, highest $p_\mathrm{T}{}^{L_2}$.

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Transverse mass

$$m_T^{(\ell)} < 70\,\mathrm{GeV}, \quad m_T^{(\ell)} = \sqrt{2 p_T^{(\ell)} E_T^{\text{miss}} (1 - \cos\Delta\phi)}$$