

# Standard Model Higgs Boson Search Combination at CDF



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# The Higgs Boson



## ➤ Motivation

- ❑ The only elementary particle predicted by the Standard Model not yet observed or refuted
- ❑ Predicted by the Higgs mechanism in 1964, which explains
  - the spontaneous symmetry breaking
  - the masses of the electroweak bosons, the masses of fermions

## ➤ The Higgs boson characterized only by its mass

- ❑ LEP direct searches
  - exclude masses  $< 114.4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  at 95% CL
- ❑ Previous Tevatron direct searches
  - exclude masses in  $[158-173] \text{ GeV}/c^2$  at 95% CL
- ❑ Indirect electroweak fits
  - exclude masses  $> 185 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  at 95% CL

## ➤ Higgs production is a very rare process



# Divide, Conquer, Combine



- ❑ Divide in channels based on signature
- ❑ Optimize each channel individually
- ❑ Heavy use of multivariate techniques
  - Artificial Neural Networks
  - Boosted Decision Trees
  - Support Vector Machines
- ❑ Do not see an excess of signal, so set limits
  - Previous talks by Karolos Potamianos, Azzedine Kasmi, Antonio Limosani, Boris Tuchming
- ❑ Combine all channels and set combined CDF limits in the range [100-200] GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- ❑ We then combine with all D0 channels
  - Plenary talk by Eric James on Tevatron combination



# CDF Combination Channels



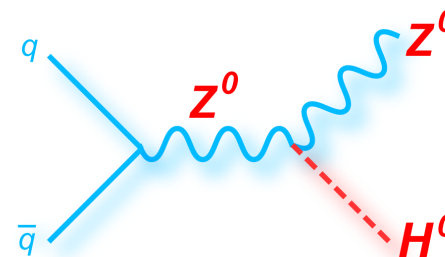
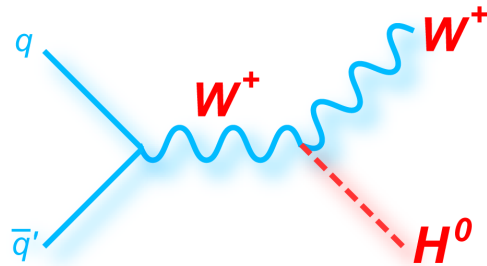
◦ $WH \rightarrow l\nu b\bar{b}$ (2-jet, Neural Networks)	$L=7.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $WH \rightarrow l\nu b\bar{b}$ (3-jet, Matrix Elements)	$L=5.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $VH \rightarrow \text{MET} + b\bar{b}$	$L=7.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $ZH \rightarrow ll b\bar{b}$	$L=7.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ (eebb) $L=7.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ( $\mu\mu b\bar{b}$ )
◦ $VH, \text{VBF}, ggH \rightarrow 2\text{jet} + H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	$L=6.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $VH, \text{VBF} \rightarrow 2\text{jet} + H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	$L=4.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	$L=7.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$	$L=8.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ( $W \rightarrow e, \mu + \nu$ ) $L=8.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ (taus)
◦ $ttH(l + \text{MET} + \text{jets})$	$L=7.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $ttH(\text{No lepton})$	$L=5.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow ll ll$	$L=8.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
◦ $VH \rightarrow 2\tau + \text{lepton}$	$L=6.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



# Low Mass Searches



- ❑ Masses smaller than  $135 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- ❑ Higgs decays mostly to bottom quark pairs
- ❑ Single Higgs production (gluon fusion)
  - Largest cross section
  - Not feasible for bottom quark decay:  $10^9$  more QCD background
  - Still, use it for Higgs decays to photon or tau lepton pairs
- ❑ Associated production (WH, ZH, ttH)
  - Take advantage of the leptonic decays of the W or Z bosons
  - Charged-lepton and missing-transverse-energy based triggers
  - Identify jets that originate from bottom quarks

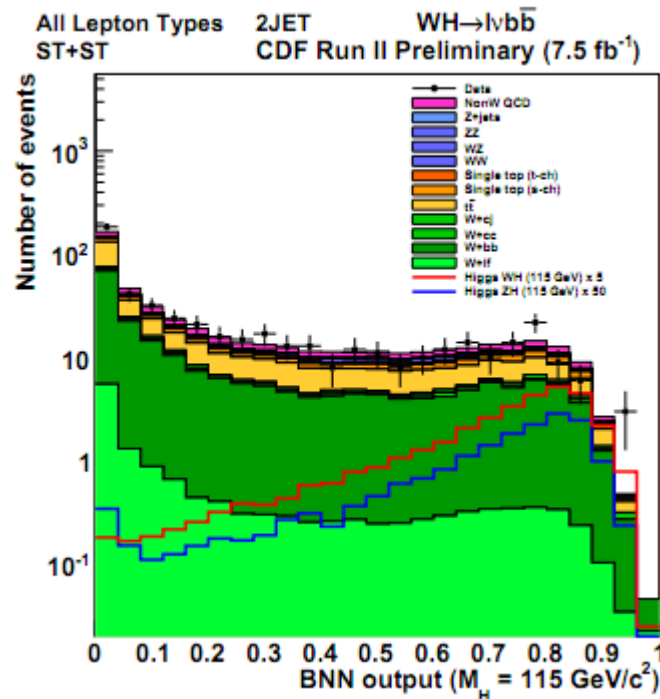




# Example of Discriminant



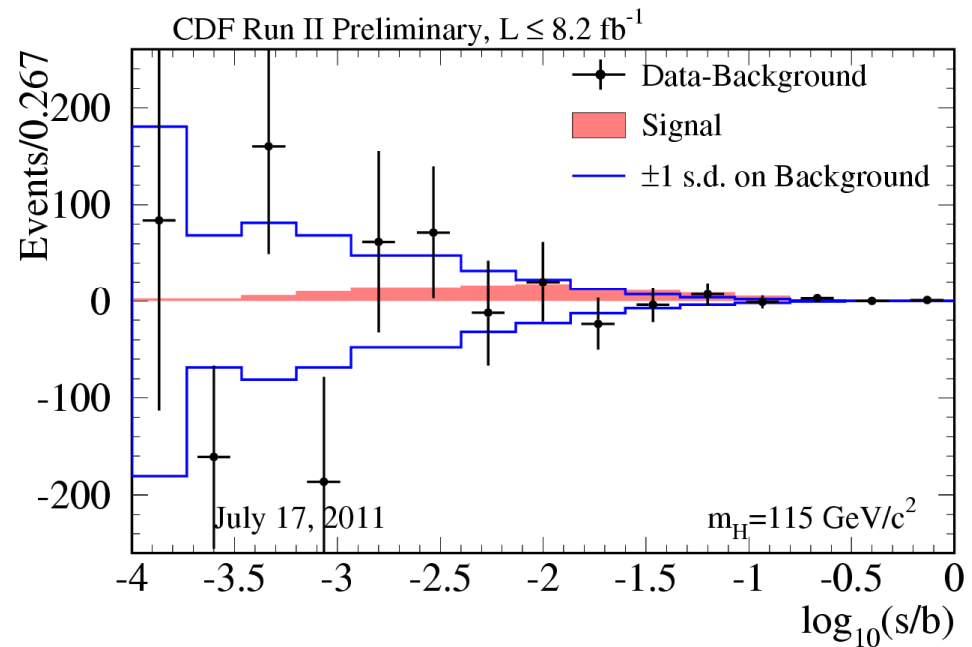
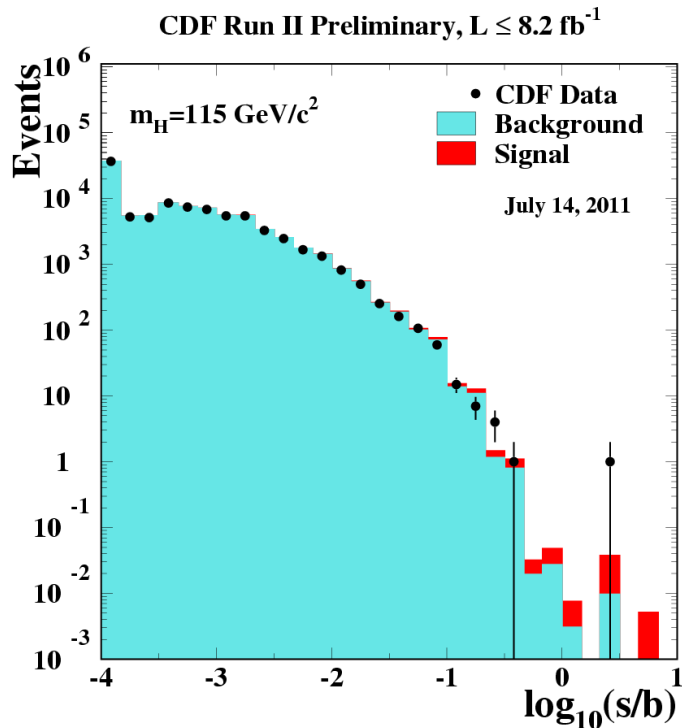
- WH  $\rightarrow$   $l\nu b\bar{b}$  search 2jet b-tagging category with best s/b ratio; all charged leptons combined
- Artificial neural network as final discriminant trained for a Higgs boson mass of  $115 \text{ GeV}/c^2$





# S/B Ratio Plots for 115 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> McGill

- Sum final discriminants after rebin in log(s/b)
  - Sum all independent channels
- Then subtract backgrounds from data
- No excess above backgrounds, so we set limits



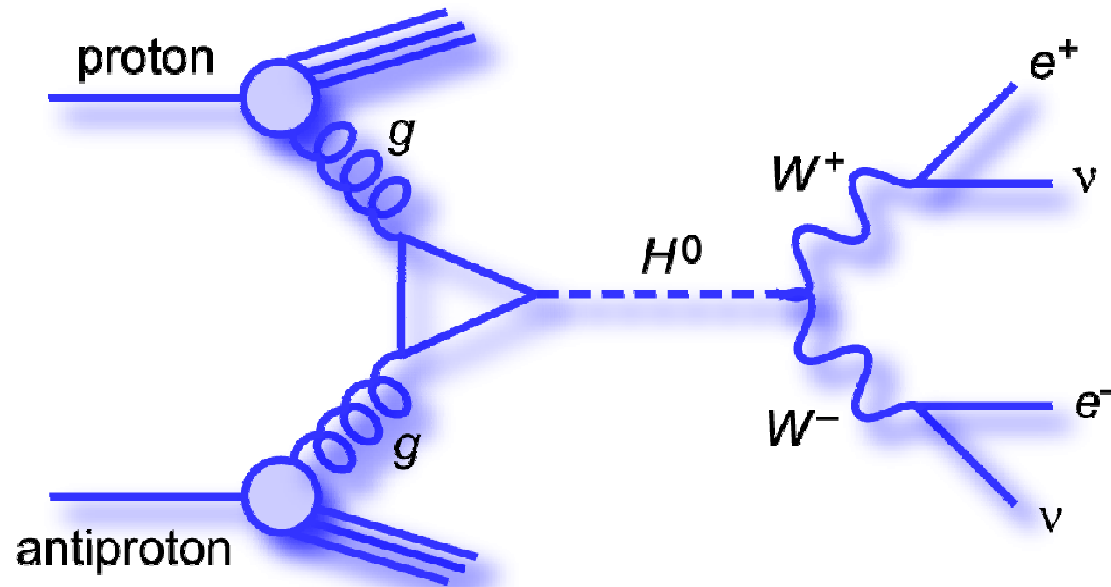




# High Mass Searches



- ❑ Masses larger than  $135 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- ❑ Higgs decays mostly to  $W$  and  $Z$  boson pairs
- ❑ Single Higgs production (gluon fusion)
  - Most sensitive channel to the SM Higgs
  - 2 charged leptons; 0, 1 or 2 and more jets

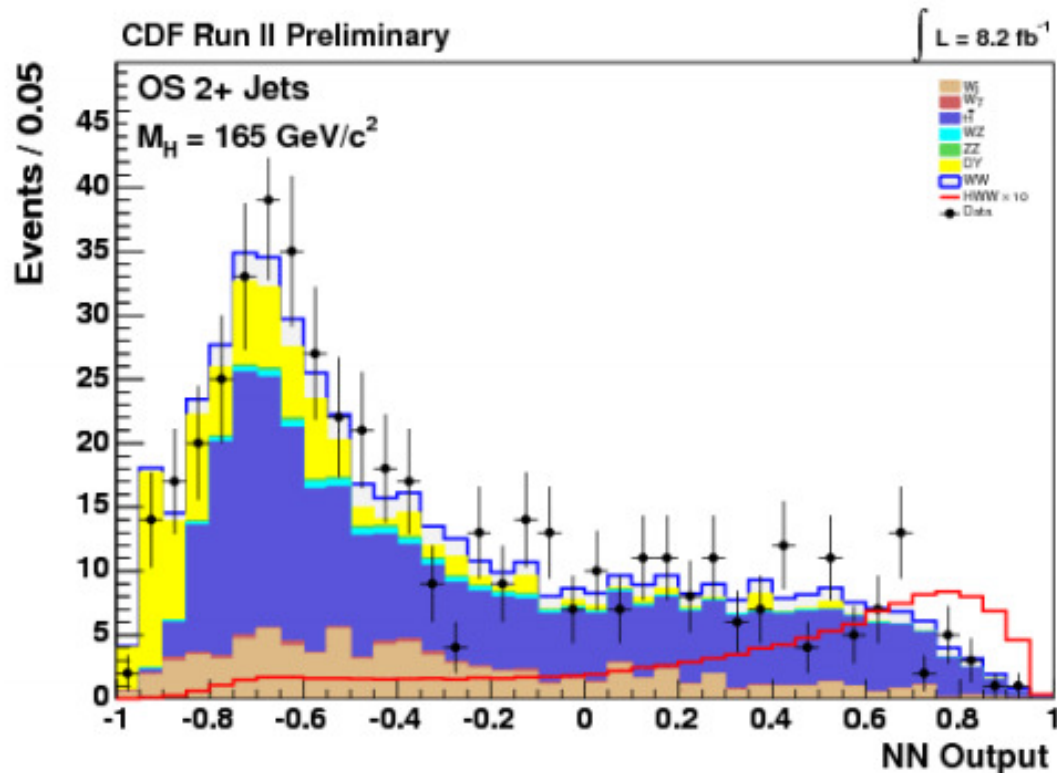




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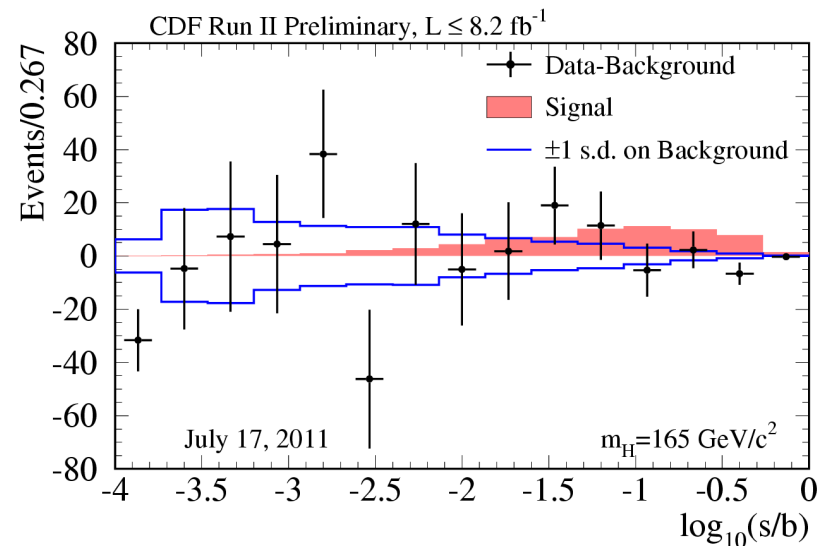
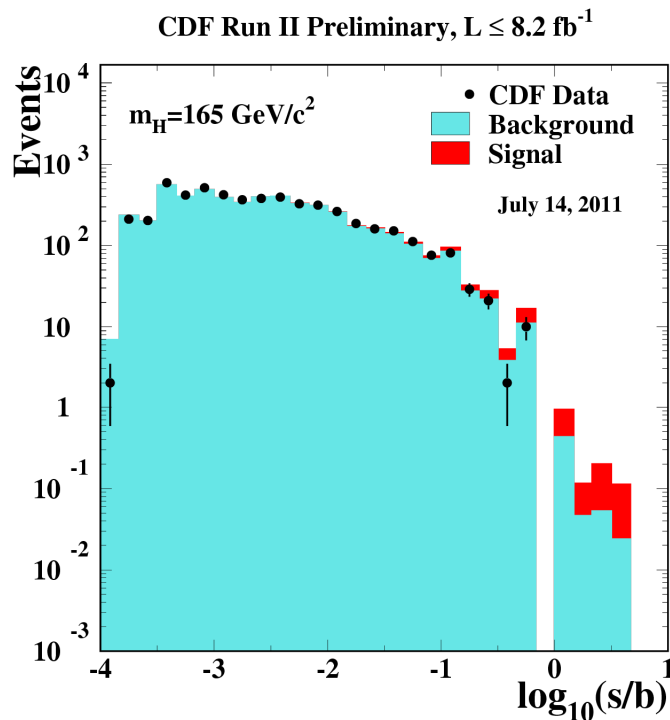
- $H \rightarrow WW$  : 2 oppositely-charged leptons, at least 2 jets
- Artificial neural network as final discriminant trained for a Higgs boson mass of  $165 \text{ GeV}/c^2$





# S/B Ratio Plots for 165 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> McGill

- Sum final discriminants after rebin in  $\log(s/b)$ 
  - Sum all independent channels
- Then subtract backgrounds from data
- No excess above backgrounds, so we set limits





# Limit Setting & Systematic Uncertainties



- ❑ **Bayesian** approach with **Poisson** statistics
- ❑ Rate and shape systematic uncertainties are introduced as **nuisance parameters**
- ❑ **Rate**: uncertainty on the total normalizations
- ❑ **Shape**: uncertainty on bin-by-bin normalizations
  - Use full discriminant shapes to extract the most information
- ❑ **Correlated** among various analyses
  - Charged lepton, trigger, b-tagging efficiencies
  - Luminosity, background & signal cross sections
- ❑ **Uncorrelated** among various analyses
  - Fake object identification (ex: jets faking electrons and MET)
  - Data-driven background modelling



# More on Uncertainties



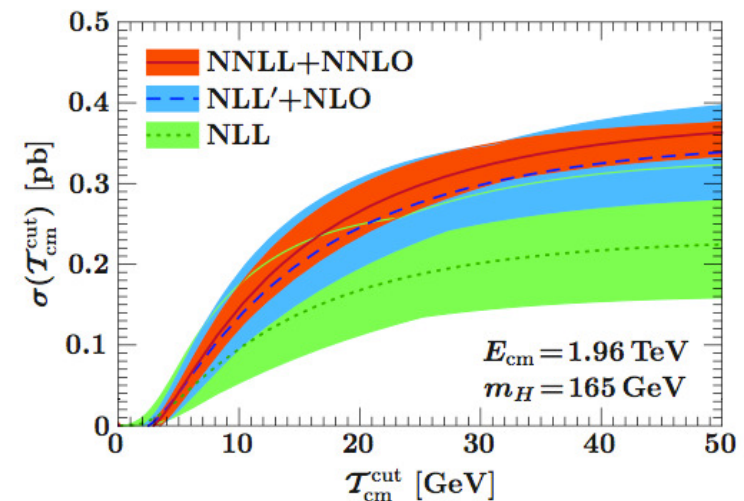
□ Most up-to-date cross sections, branching ratios, and their uncertainties

□ Consider three independent scale variations for gluon fusion Higgs production

- Beam, soft and hard
- Berger, Marcantonini, Stewart,
- Tackmann, Waaleweijn
- <http://arxiv.org/abs/arXiv:1012.4480>
- Stewart and Tackmann, arXiv:1107.2117
- Current prescription - BNL accord

□ Branching ratio uncertainties

- From  $\alpha_s$ , and masses of bottom and charm quarks
- Baglio and Djouadi, JHEP 1103:055 (2011)

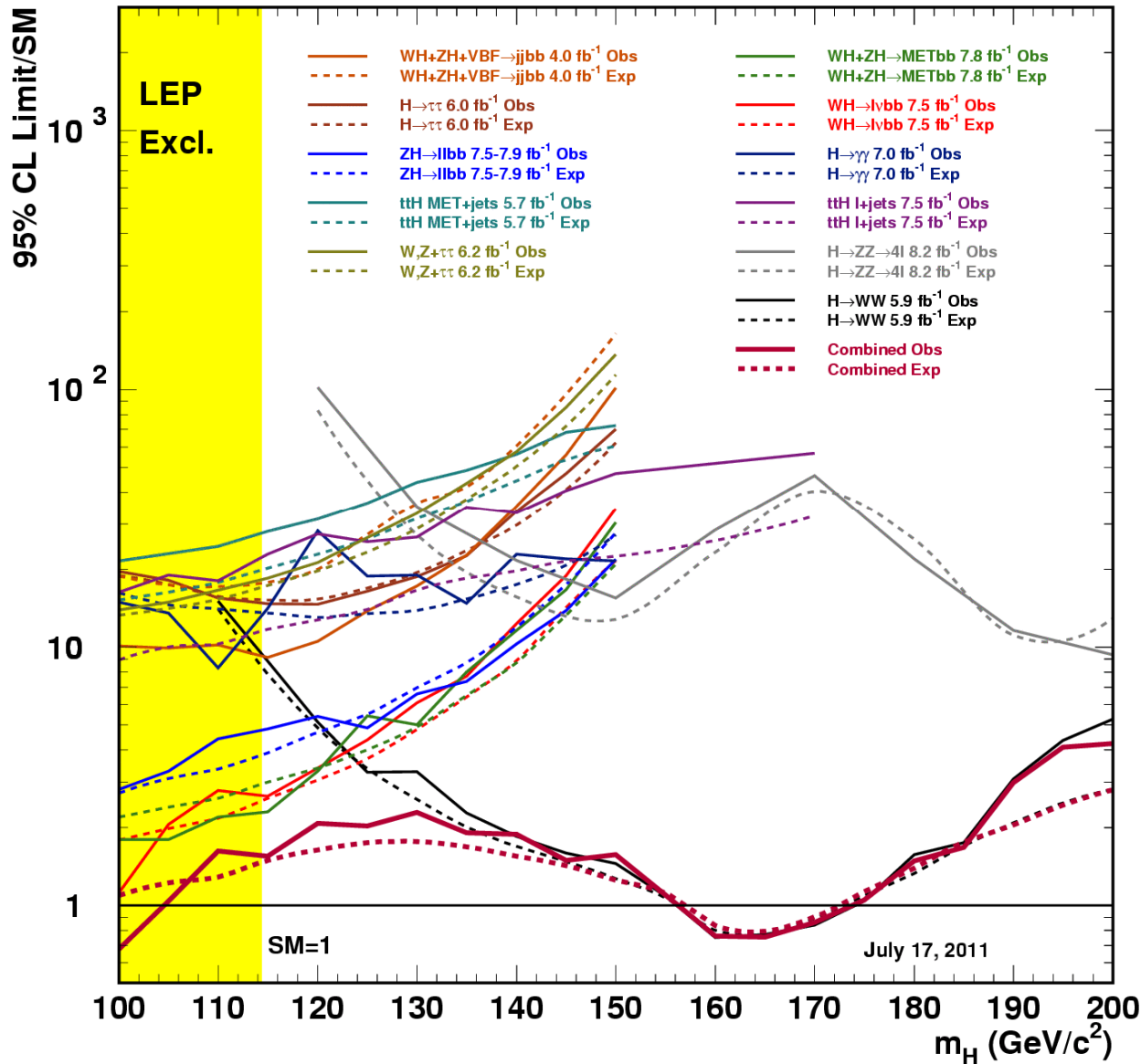




# SM Higgs Boson Limits - 1



CDF Run II Preliminary,  $L \leq 8.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



SM I

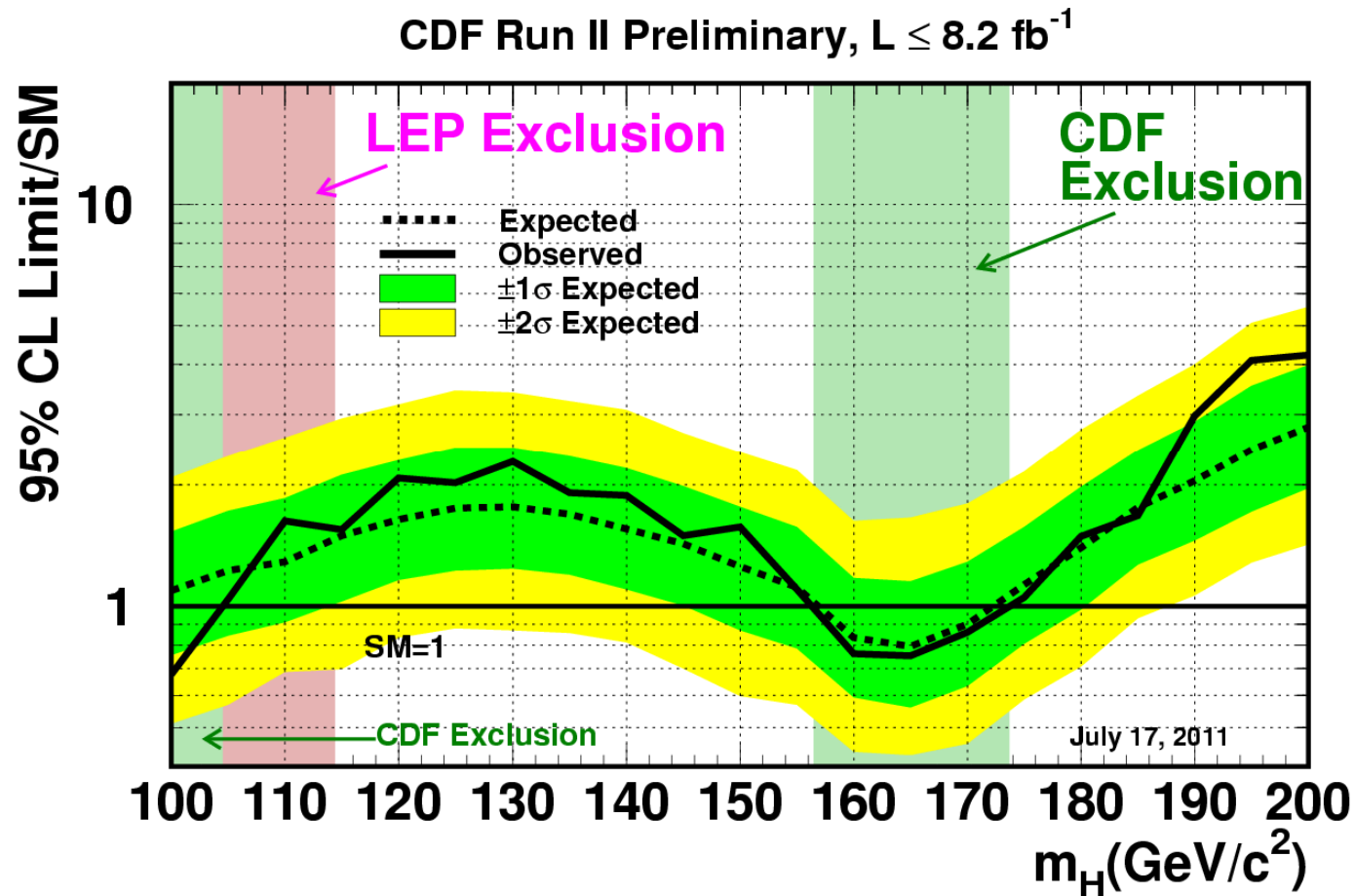
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# SM Higgs Boson Limits - 2



- Exclude at 95% CL: [100.0 -104.5] & [156.7-173.8] GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- Expect to exclude at 95% CL: [156.5-173.7] GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

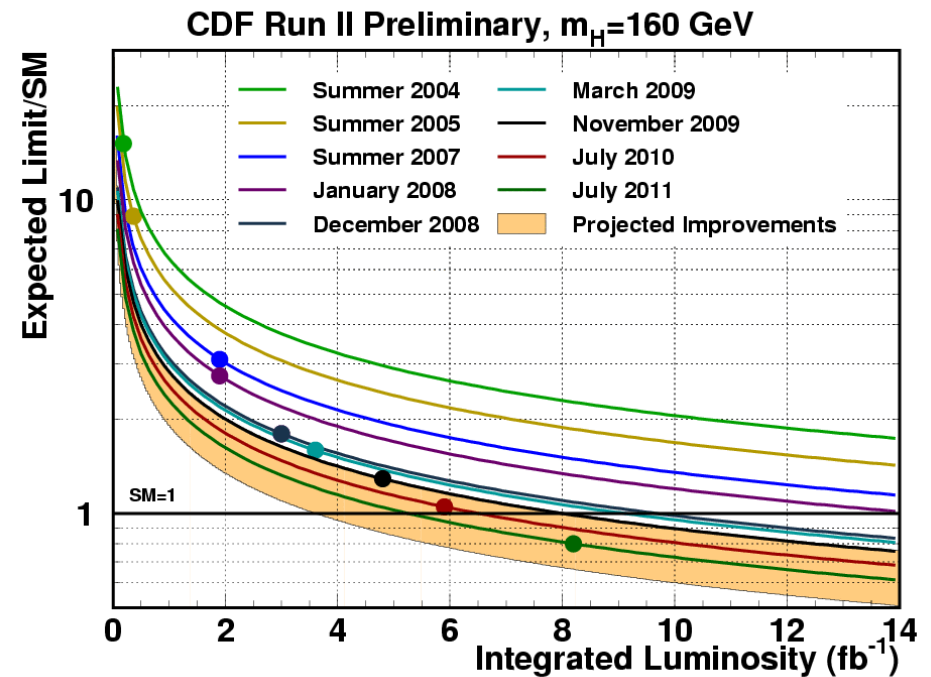
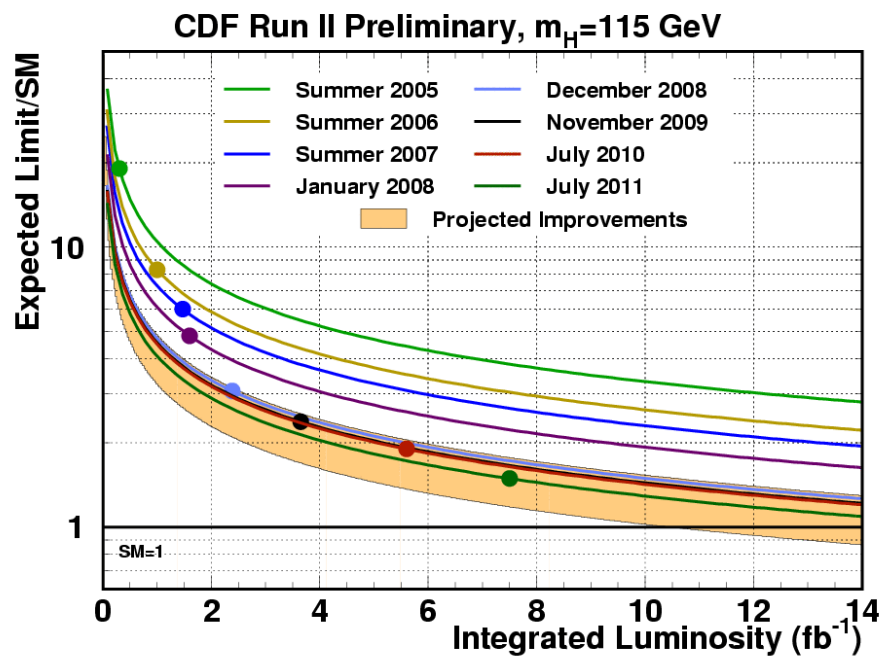




# Trajectory of Sensitivity



- Sensitivity improved continuously more than just by increasing the integrated luminosity; showing 115 and 160 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>







# Conclusions



- ❑ CDF Collaboration, up to  $8.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- ❑ Search for the Standard Model Higgs Boson
- ❑ Very many channels
- ❑ None sees an excess of signal over backgrounds
- ❑ We combine all channels and use a Bayesian statistical approach to compute 95% CL upper limits on the cross section of the Higgs boson
- ❑ We expect to exclude at 95% CL Higgs masses in the range :  $[157.0-172.2] \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- ❑ We exclude at 95% CL Higgs masses in the ranges  $[100.0 - 104.5] \text{ \& } [156.5-173.7] \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- ❑ Stay tuned for the Tevatron combination result!



# Backup Slides



# Statistical Approach



## Bayesian Posterior Probability

$$p(R|\vec{n}) = \frac{\int \int d\vec{s} d\vec{b} L(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b}|\vec{n}) \pi(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b})}{\int \int \int dR d\vec{s} d\vec{b} L(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b}|\vec{n}) \pi(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b})} \Rightarrow \int_0^{R_{0.95}} p(R|\vec{n}) dR = 0.95$$

$R = (\sigma \times BR) / (\sigma_{SM} \times BR_{SM})$ ,  $R_{0.95}$  : 95% Credible Level Upper Limit

$\vec{s}, \vec{b}, \vec{n} = s_{ij}, b_{ij}, n_{ij}$  (# of signal, background and observed events in  $j$ -th bin for  $i$ -th channel)

$\pi$  : Bayes' prior density

## Combined Binned Poisson Likelihood

$$L(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b}|\vec{n}) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{channel}}} \prod_{j=1}^{N_{\text{bin}}} \frac{\mu_{ij}^{n_{ij}} e^{-\mu_{ij}}}{n_{ij}!}$$

## Principle of ignorance

- for the number of higgs events (instead of higgs Xsec)

$$\pi(R, \vec{s}, \vec{b}) = \pi(R) \pi(\vec{s}) \pi(\vec{b}) = s_{tot} \theta(R s_{tot}) \pi(\vec{s}) \pi(\vec{b})$$

$s_{tot} = \sum_{i,j} s_{ij}$  : Total number of signal prediction

$\pi(x) = G(x|\hat{x}, \sigma_x)$  ( $x = s, b$ )     $\hat{x}$ : expected mean,  $\sigma_x$ : total uncertainty



# Very Many Channels



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# Results - numbers



CDF Run II Preliminary SM Higgs Combination,  $L \leq 8.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

$m_H$ (GeV/ $c^2$ )	obs (Limit/SM)	$-2\sigma$ exp (Limit/SM)	$-1\sigma$ exp (Limit/SM)	Median exp (Limit/SM)	$+1\sigma$ exp (Limit/SM)	$+2\sigma$ exp (Limit/SM)
100	0.68	0.51	0.76	1.09	1.53	2.08
105	1.04	0.57	0.84	1.22	1.72	2.36
110	1.62	0.69	0.91	1.29	1.85	2.63
115	1.55	0.70	1.03	1.49	2.12	2.93
120	2.08	0.83	1.16	1.64	2.30	3.18
125	2.02	0.88	1.23	1.75	2.48	3.45
130	2.29	0.87	1.24	1.77	2.48	3.40
135	1.91	0.86	1.20	1.69	2.36	3.24
140	1.88	0.81	1.10	1.55	2.20	3.08
145	1.49	0.70	1.00	1.42	1.98	2.70
150	1.57	0.60	0.87	1.25	1.76	2.42
155	1.10	0.57	0.79	1.11	1.57	2.17
160	0.76	0.44	0.59	0.84	1.17	1.62
165	0.75	0.43	0.56	0.79	1.15	1.66
170	0.86	0.46	0.63	0.90	1.28	1.80
175	1.05	0.59	0.81	1.13	1.57	2.16
180	1.49	0.71	0.98	1.39	1.97	2.75
185	1.68	0.93	1.27	1.76	2.44	3.34
190	2.98	1.06	1.45	2.05	2.88	3.99
195	4.09	1.28	1.72	2.45	3.54	5.07
200	4.23	1.42	1.96	2.80	3.98	5.57



# Scale Uncertainty Prescription



- **Theory gives cross section uncertainties**
  - ❑ Higgs +  $\geq 0$  jets: 7.05% (Grazzini, de Florian)
  - ❑ Higgs +  $\geq 1$  jets: 25.5% (MCFM)
  - ❑ Higgs +  $\geq 2$  jets: 33% (Campbell, Ellis, Williams)
- **We use: 0 jet, 1 jet,  $\geq 2$  jets**

Jet bin	s0	s1	s2
0 jet	13.4%	-23.0%	0
1 jet	0	35%	-12.7%
$\geq 2$ jets	0	0	33%



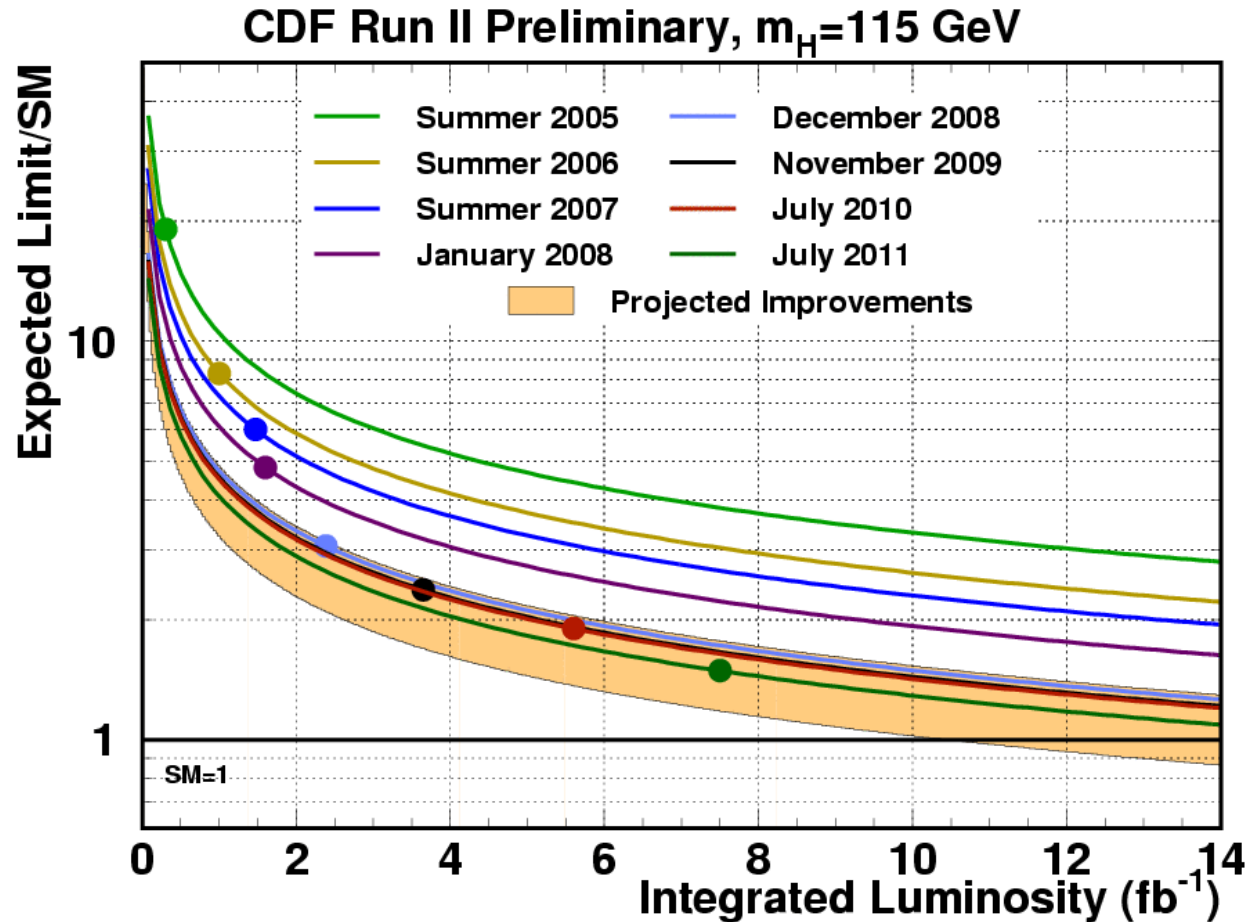
# Cross Sect. & Branch. Ratios



$m_H$ (GeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H}$ (fb)	$\sigma_{WH}$ (fb)	$\sigma_{ZH}$ (fb)	$\sigma_{VBF}$ (fb)	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}H}$ (fb)	$B(H \rightarrow b\bar{b})$ (%)	$B(H \rightarrow c\bar{c})$ (%)	$B(H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)$ (%)	$B(H \rightarrow W^+W^-)$ (%)	$B(H \rightarrow ZZ)$ (%)	$B(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$ (%)
100	1821.8	291.90	169.8	97.2	8.000	79.1	3.68	8.36	1.11	0.113	0.159
105	1584.7	248.40	145.9	89.7	7.062	77.3	3.59	8.25	2.43	0.215	0.178
110	1385.0	212.00	125.7	82.7	6.233	74.5	3.46	8.03	4.82	0.439	0.197
115	1215.9	174.50	103.9	76.4	5.502	70.5	3.27	7.65	8.67	0.873	0.213
120	1072.3	150.10	90.2	70.7	4.857	64.9	3.01	7.11	14.3	1.60	0.225
125	949.3	129.50	78.5	65.3	4.279	57.8	2.68	6.37	21.6	2.67	0.230
130	842.9	112.00	68.5	60.4	3.769	49.4	2.29	5.49	30.5	4.02	0.226
135	750.8	97.20	60.0	55.9	3.320	40.4	1.87	4.52	40.3	5.51	0.214
140	670.6	84.60	52.7	51.8	2.925	31.4	1.46	3.54	50.4	6.92	0.194
145	600.6	73.70	46.3	48.1	2.593	23.1	1.07	2.62	60.3	7.96	0.168
150	539.1	64.40	40.8	44.6	2.298	15.7	0.725	1.79	69.9	8.28	0.137
155	484.0	56.20	35.9	41.2	2.037	9.18	0.425	1.06	79.6	7.36	0.100
160	432.3	48.50	31.4	38.2	1.806	3.44	0.159	0.397	90.9	4.16	0.0533
165	383.7	43.60	28.4	36.0	1.607	1.19	0.0549	0.138	96.0	2.22	0.0230
170	344.0	38.50	25.3	33.4	1.430	0.787	0.0364	0.0920	96.5	2.36	0.0158
175	309.7	34.00	22.5	31.0	1.272	0.612	0.0283	0.0719	95.8	3.23	0.0123
180	279.2	30.10	20.0	28.8	1.132	0.497	0.0230	0.0587	93.2	6.02	0.0102
185	252.1	26.90	17.9	26.9	1.004	0.385	0.0178	0.0457	84.4	15.0	0.00809
190	228.0	24.00	16.1	25.0	0.890	0.315	0.0146	0.0376	78.6	20.9	0.00674
195	207.2	21.40	14.4	23.3	0.789	0.270	0.0125	0.0324	75.7	23.9	0.00589
200	189.1	19.10	13.0	21.6	0.700	0.238	0.0110	0.0287	74.1	25.6	0.00526



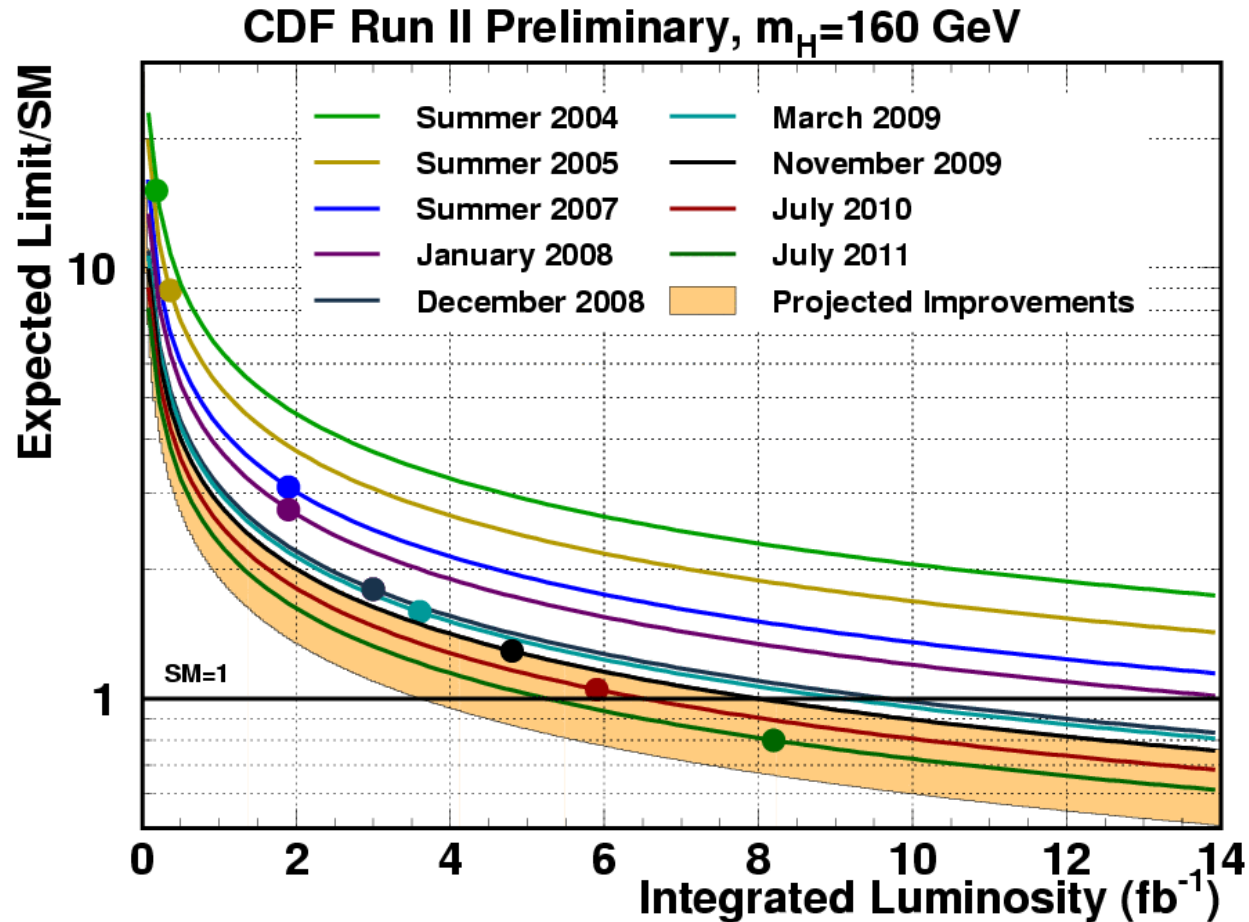
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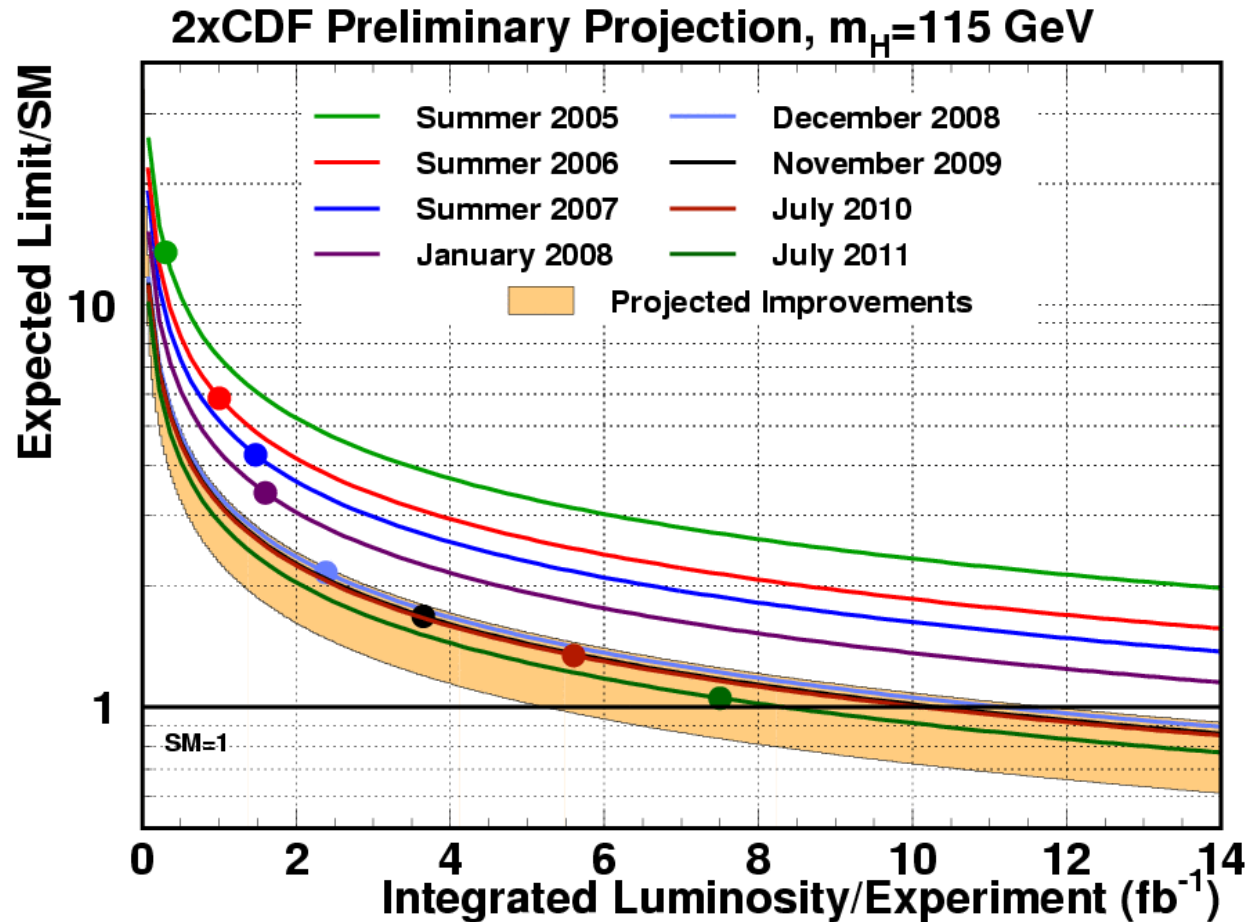


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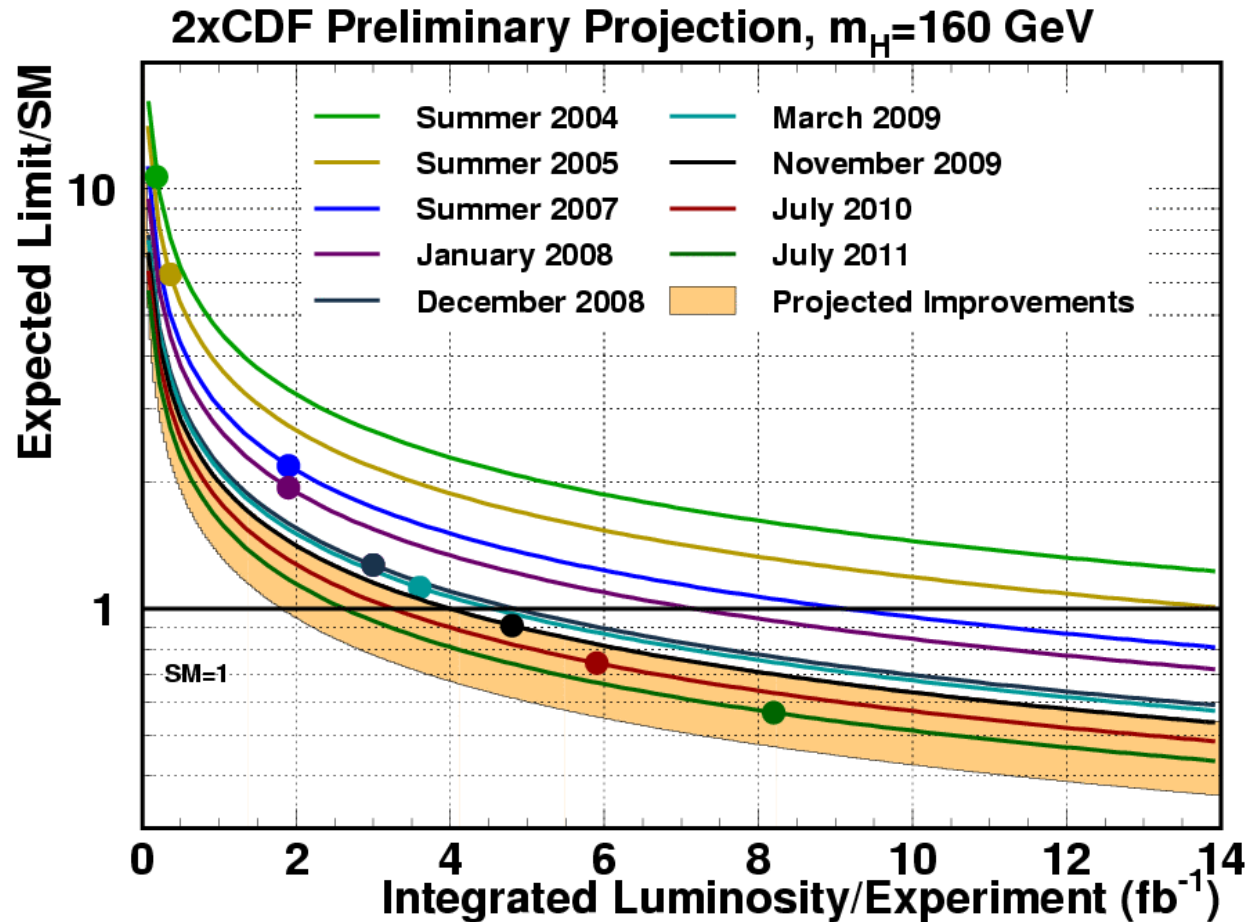


# 2xCDF Projection for 115 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> McGill



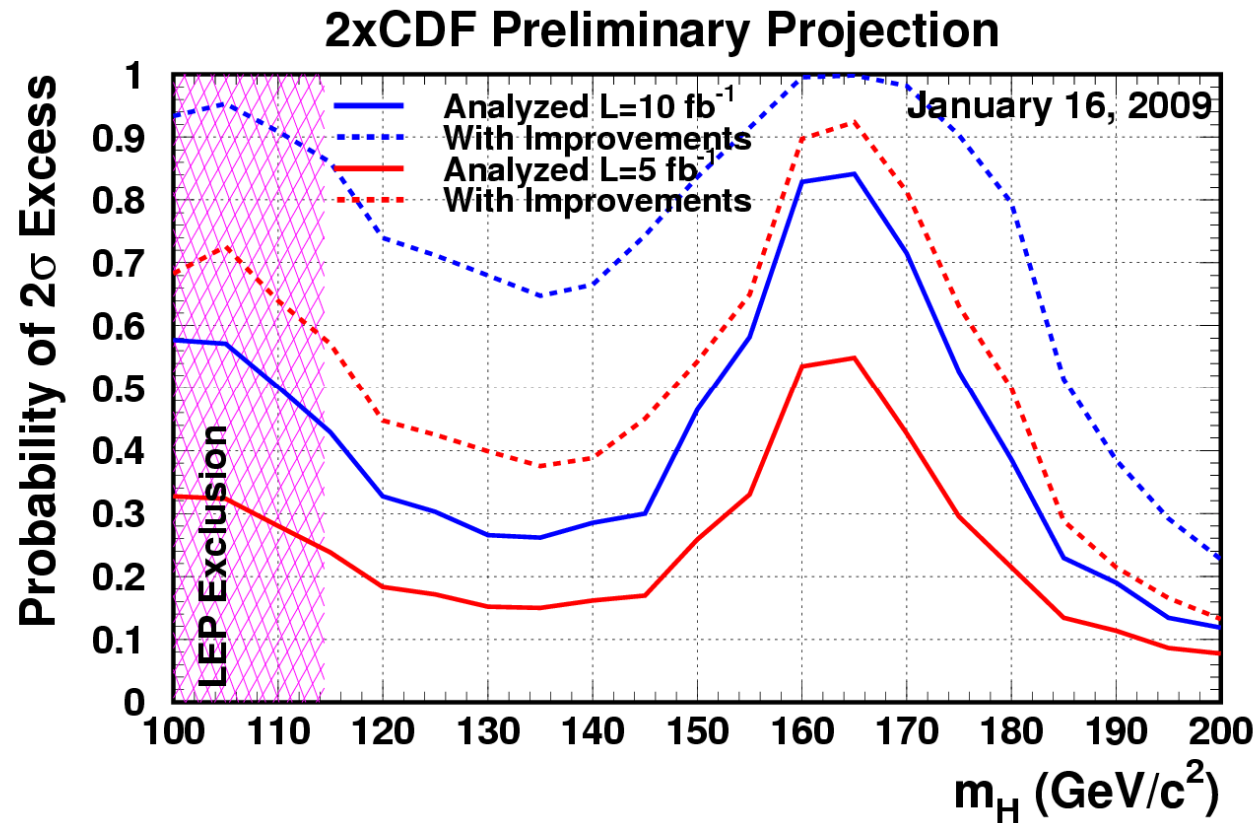


# 2xCDF Projection for 160 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> McGill





# 2 sigma Projection for 2xCDF McGill





# 3 sigma Projection for 2xCDF McGill

