

# Standard Model Higgs: $H \rightarrow WW$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ$ from CMS

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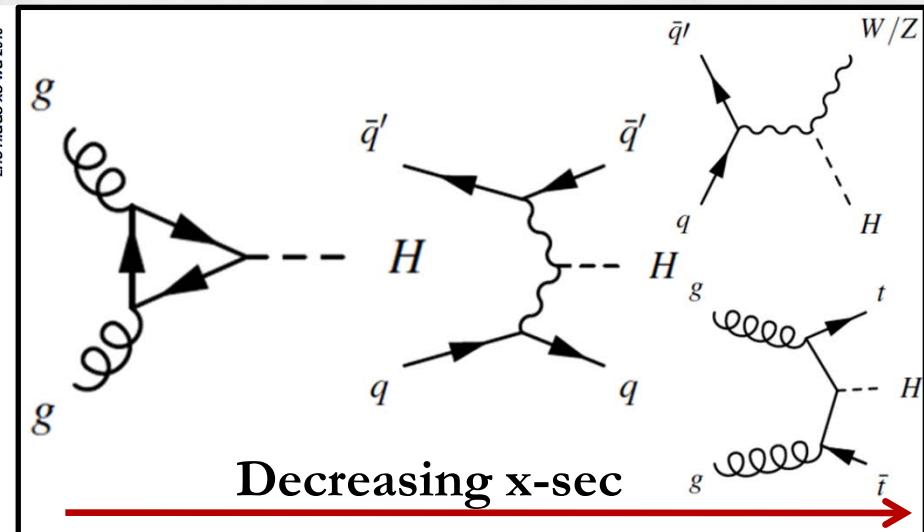
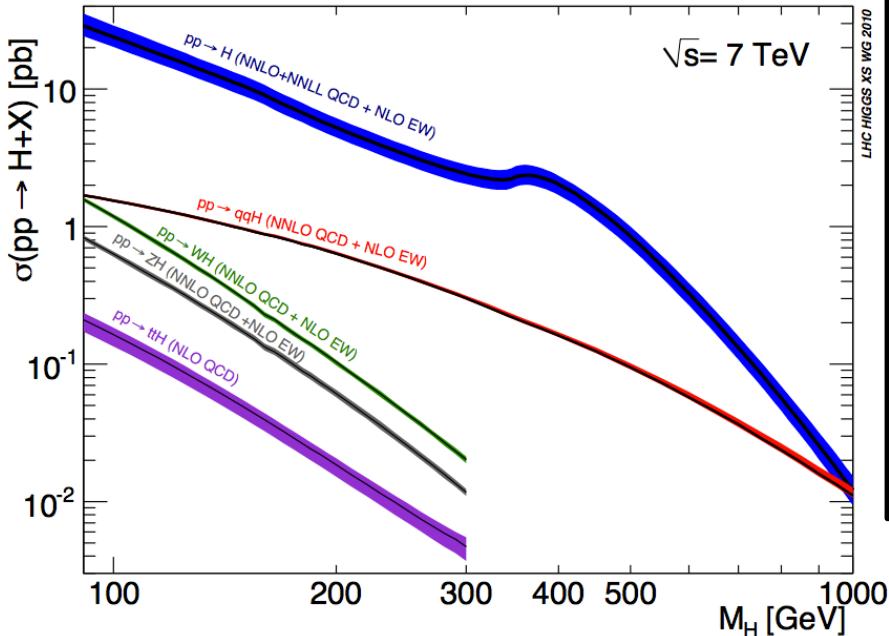
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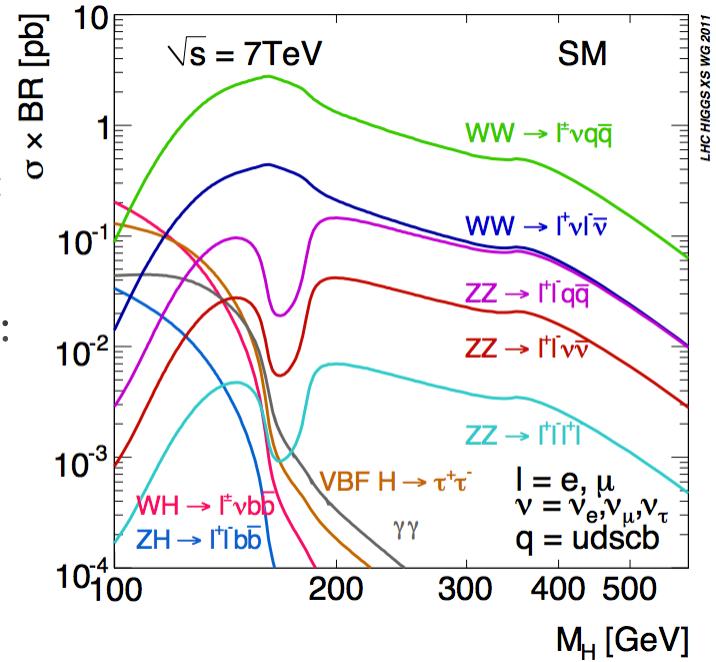
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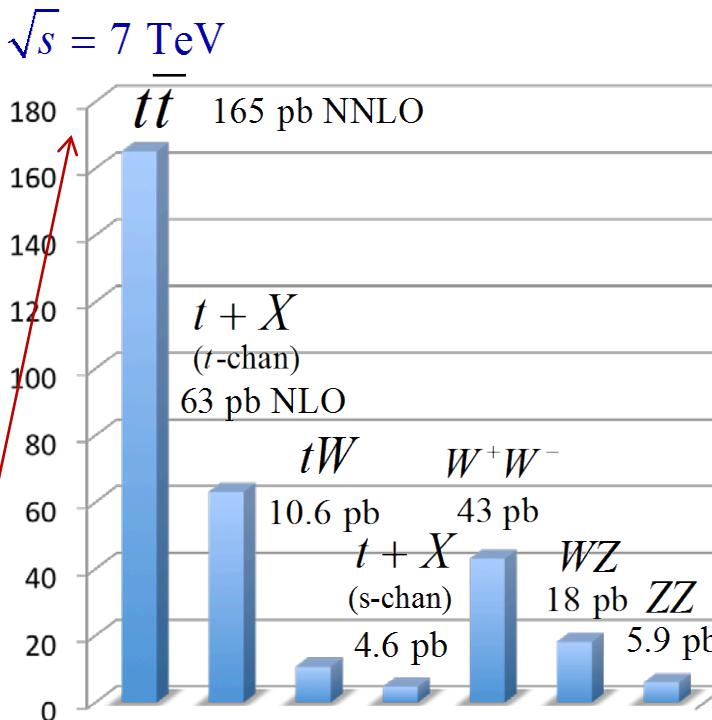
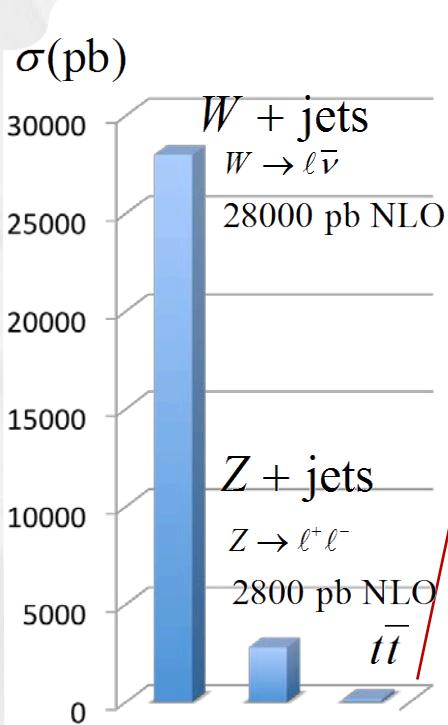
# Higgs Production and Decay



- ❖  $H \rightarrow WW$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ$  cover a wide mass range:
  - ◆ 110-600  $\text{GeV}/c^2$
- ❖ I will focus on the following final states ( $\ell = e, \mu$ ):
  - ◆  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$
  - ◆  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$
  - ◆  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\tau$
  - ◆  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$
  - ◆  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\text{jets}$

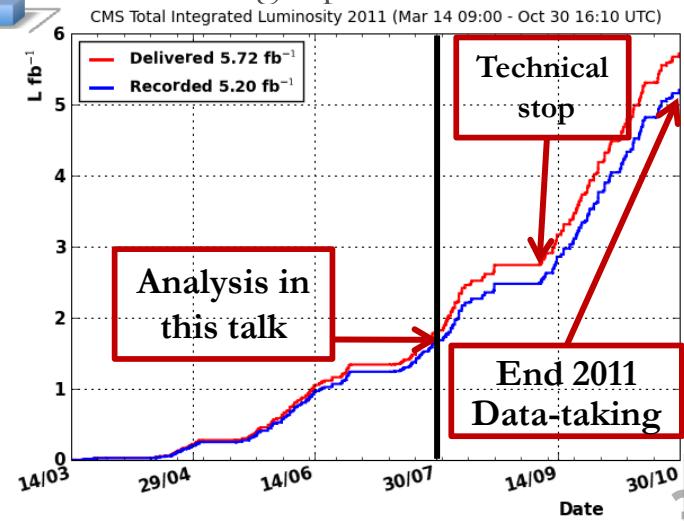


# Experimental challenges

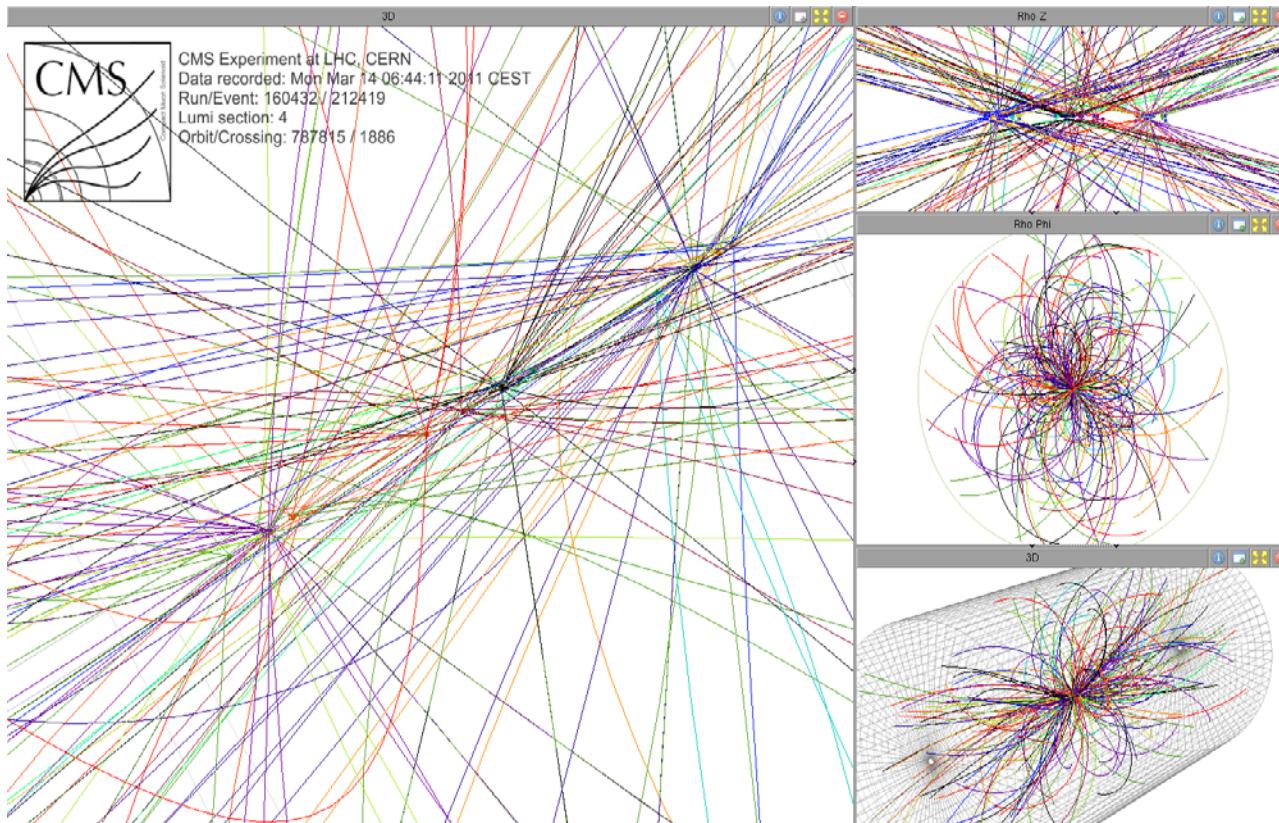


- ❖ Rapid increase of the instantaneous luminosity in 2011
- ❖ Trigger adapting to new conditions
- ❖ Increasing pile-up backgrounds

- ❖ Backgrounds overwhelm Higgs Signal by several orders of magnitude!
- ❖ Irreducible backgrounds:
  - ◆ WW/ZZ non resonant
- ❖ Reducible backgrounds:
  - ◆ V+jets; ttbar; tV; QCD hard scattering with jets faking leptons



# The physics objects and pile-up

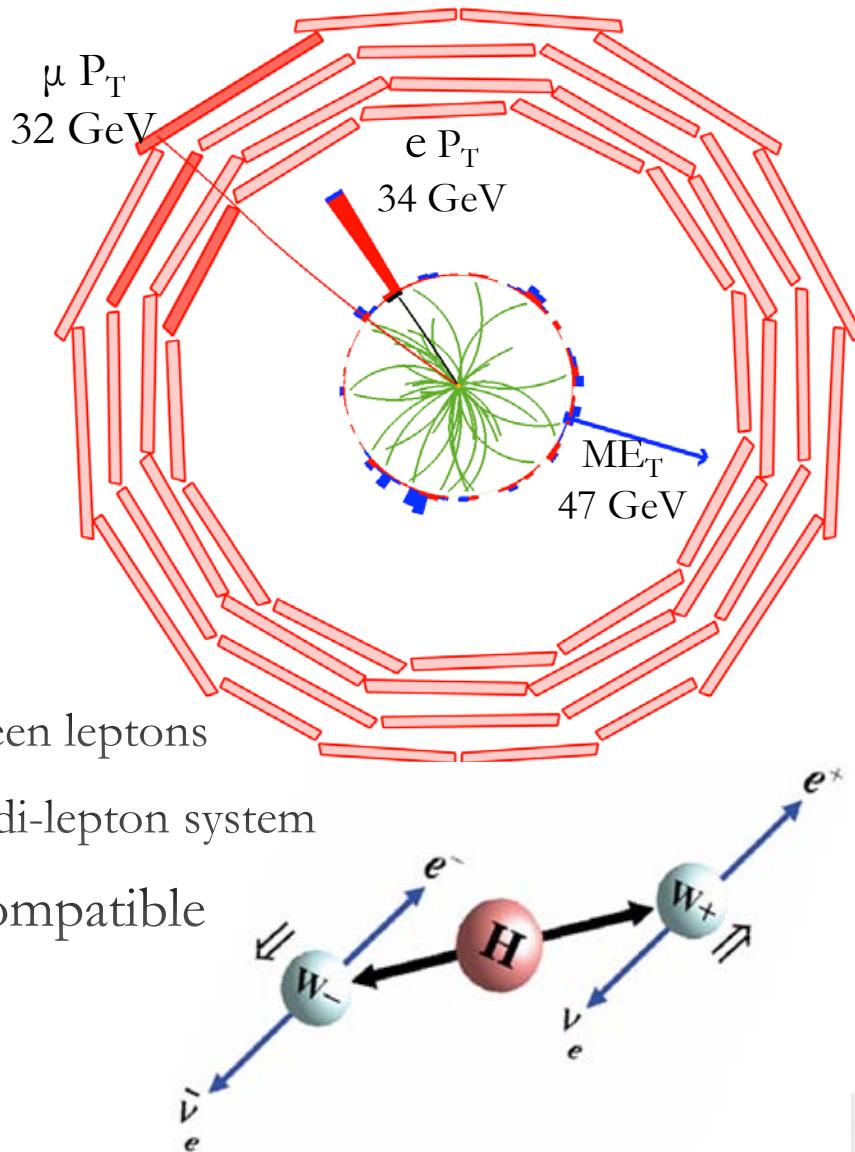


- ❖ Improved reconstruction algorithm to distinguish vertices with  $\Delta z > 1$  mm
- ❖ Correct the jet energy subtracting the event average pile-up contribution
- ❖ Use pile-up safe variables for lepton isolation and identification
- ❖ Careful estimation of the Missing  $E_T$  ( $ME_T$ )

# $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$

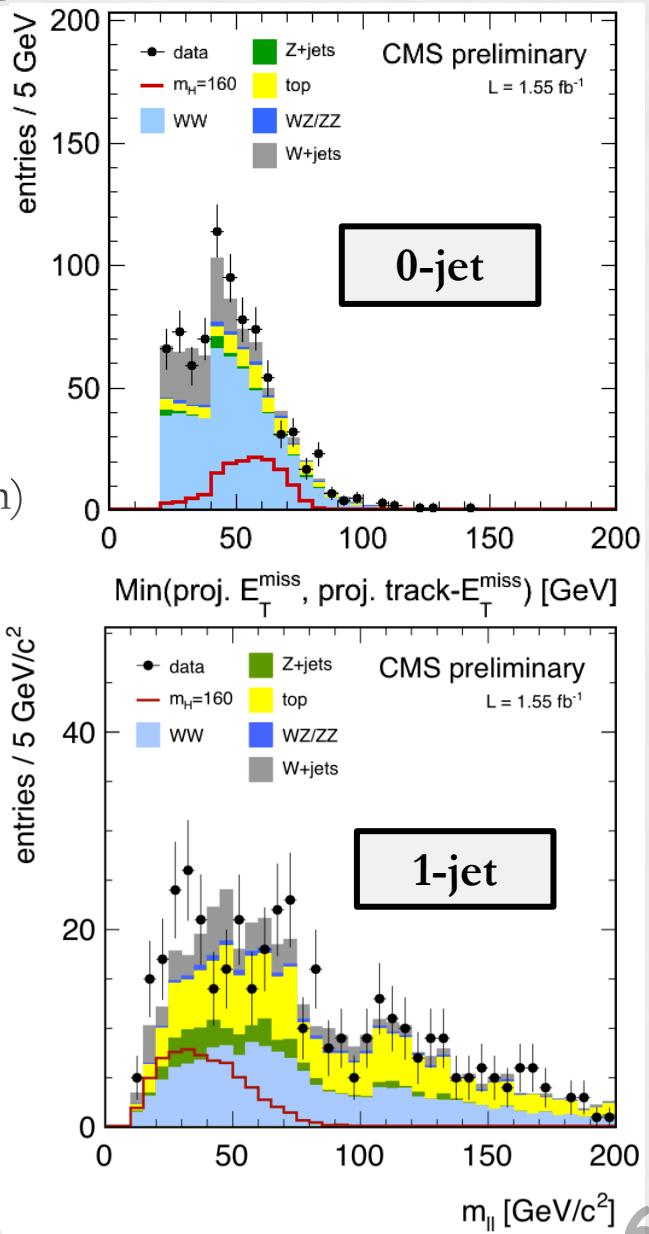
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- ❖ Signal characterized by:
  - ◆  $2\nu$  in the final states
    - ◆ Undetected particles: large  $ME_T$
    - ◆ No mass peak: counting experiment
  - ◆ 2 isolated leptons
    - ◆ Selected with  $p_T > 20, 10$  GeV/c
  - ◆ Spin correlation:
    - ◆ Moderately small opening angle between leptons
    - ◆ Large angle with  $ME_T$  direction w.r.t. di-lepton system
  - ◆ Reject events with di-lepton pair compatible with Z mass
  - ◆ Reject b-tagged events



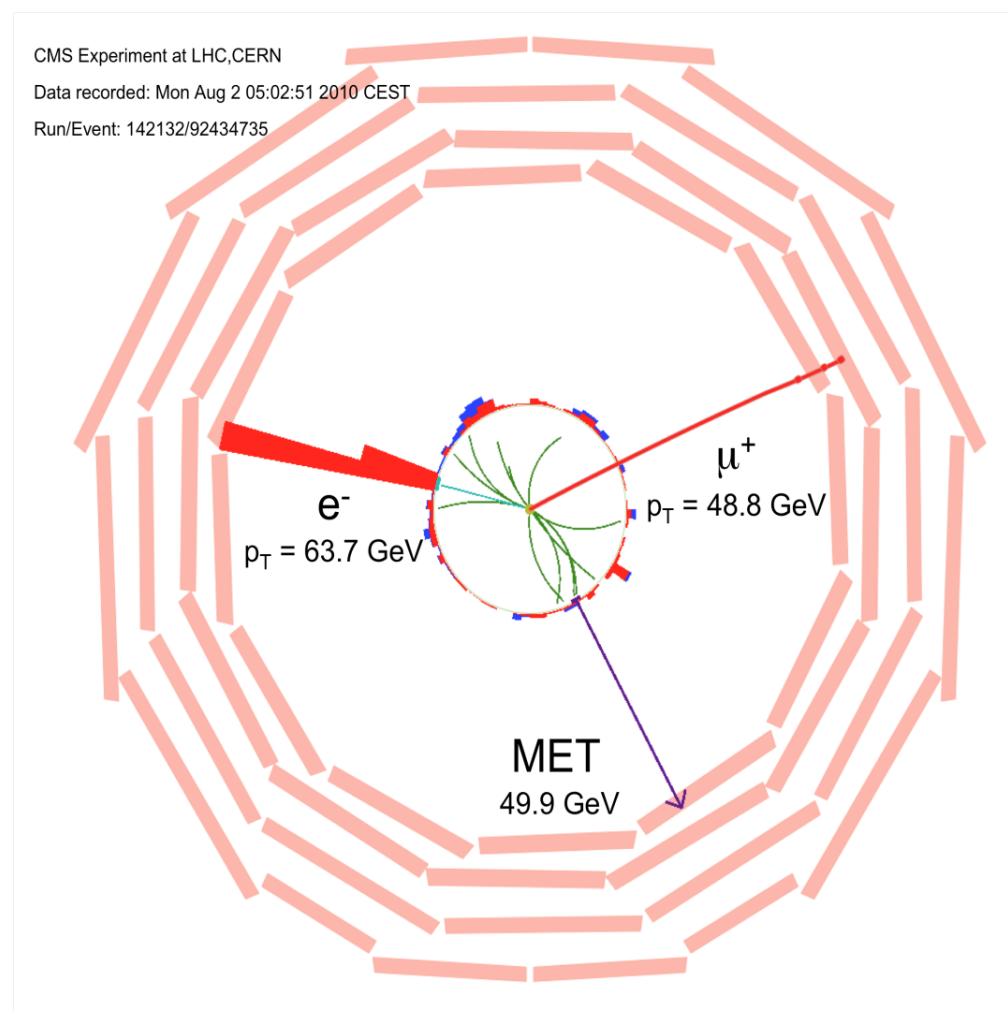
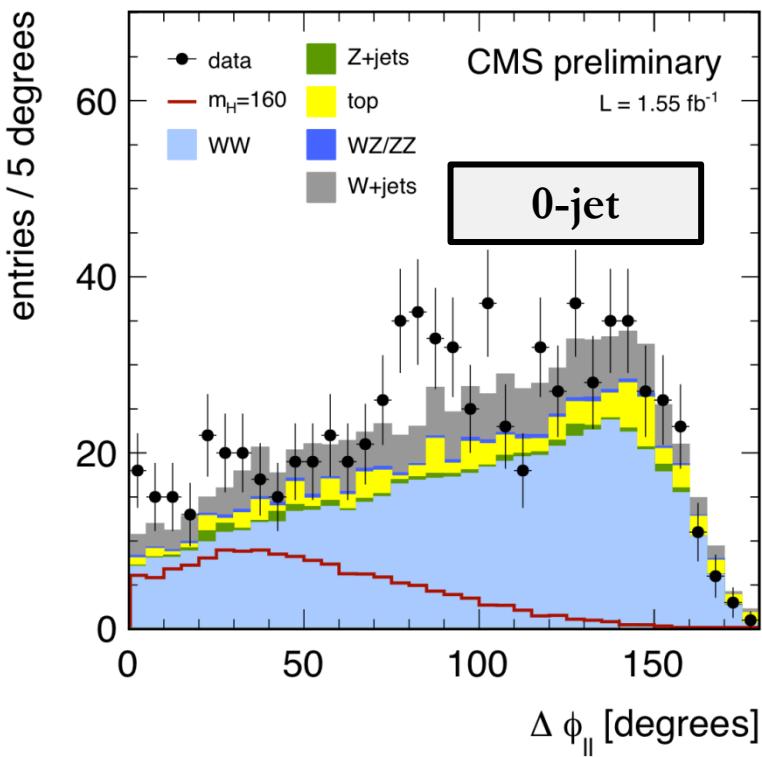
# Analysis strategies

- ❖ Selection dependent on Higgs mass hypothesis
- ❖ Divided in three categories:
  - ◆ 0-jet bin, dominated by WW and W+jets
  - ◆ 1-jet bin, dominated by WW and top
  - ◆ 2-jet bin, dominated by top (and Higgs VBF production)
- ❖ Used min between 2  $ME_T$  estimators to reduce pile-up dependencies
  - ◆ Standard  $ME_T$ , sensitive to pile-up
  - ◆ Track only  $ME_T$ , using only tracks compatible with primary vertex
- ❖ Projected  $ME_T$  in order to reduce Drell-Yan background
  - ◆ If angle with closest lepton  $\Delta\phi_{\min} < \pi/2$  use  $ME_T \sin(\Delta\phi_{\min})$



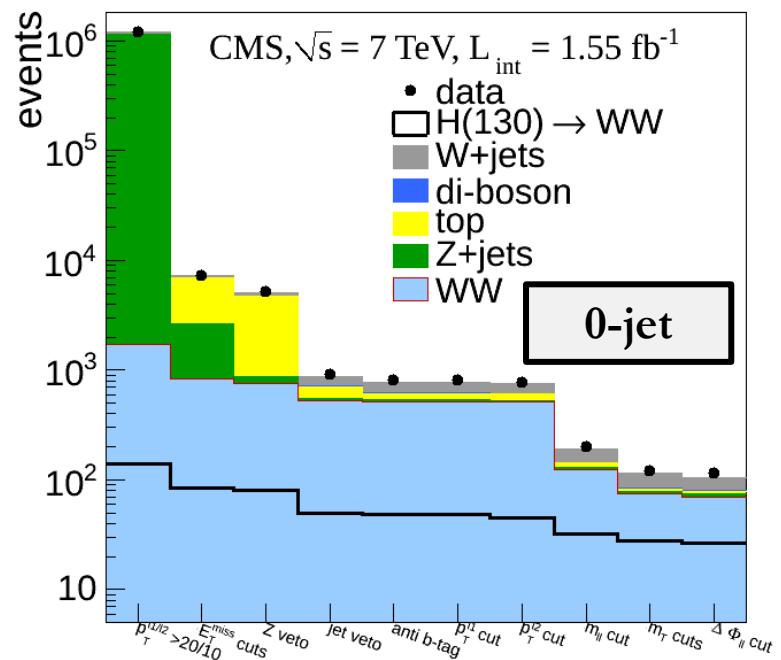
# $W^+W^-$ background

- ❖  $W^+W^-$  continuum does not show the same angular correlation as signal
- ❖ Large values for  $\Delta\phi_{\parallel}$

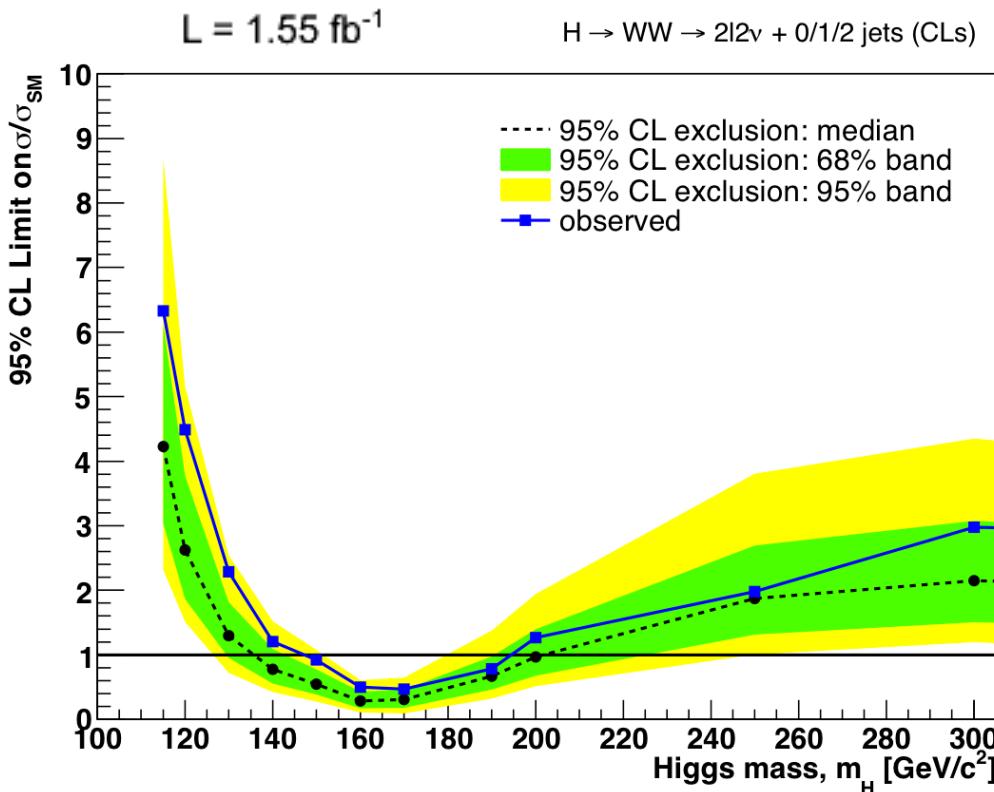


# Background Estimation

- ❖  $W^+W^-$  non resonant contribution:
  - ◆  $m_{ll}$  sidebands extrapolation for  $m_H < 200 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
  - ◆ MC for high masses
- ❖  $W+jets$  and QCD: fake rate method
  - ◆ Control sample from loosely identified leptons
  - ◆ Extrapolated to the signal region using fake rate
- ❖ Residual  $Z$  contribution evaluated from data:
  - ◆ Extrapolation from  $Z$  mass window  $\pm 15 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  rescaled using the ratio of events in/out  $Z$  mass window calculated in MC
- ❖  $t\bar{t} + tW$ :
  - ◆ Extrapolation from top tagged sample



# H $\rightarrow$ WW $\rightarrow$ 2 $\ell$ 2 $\nu$ : results



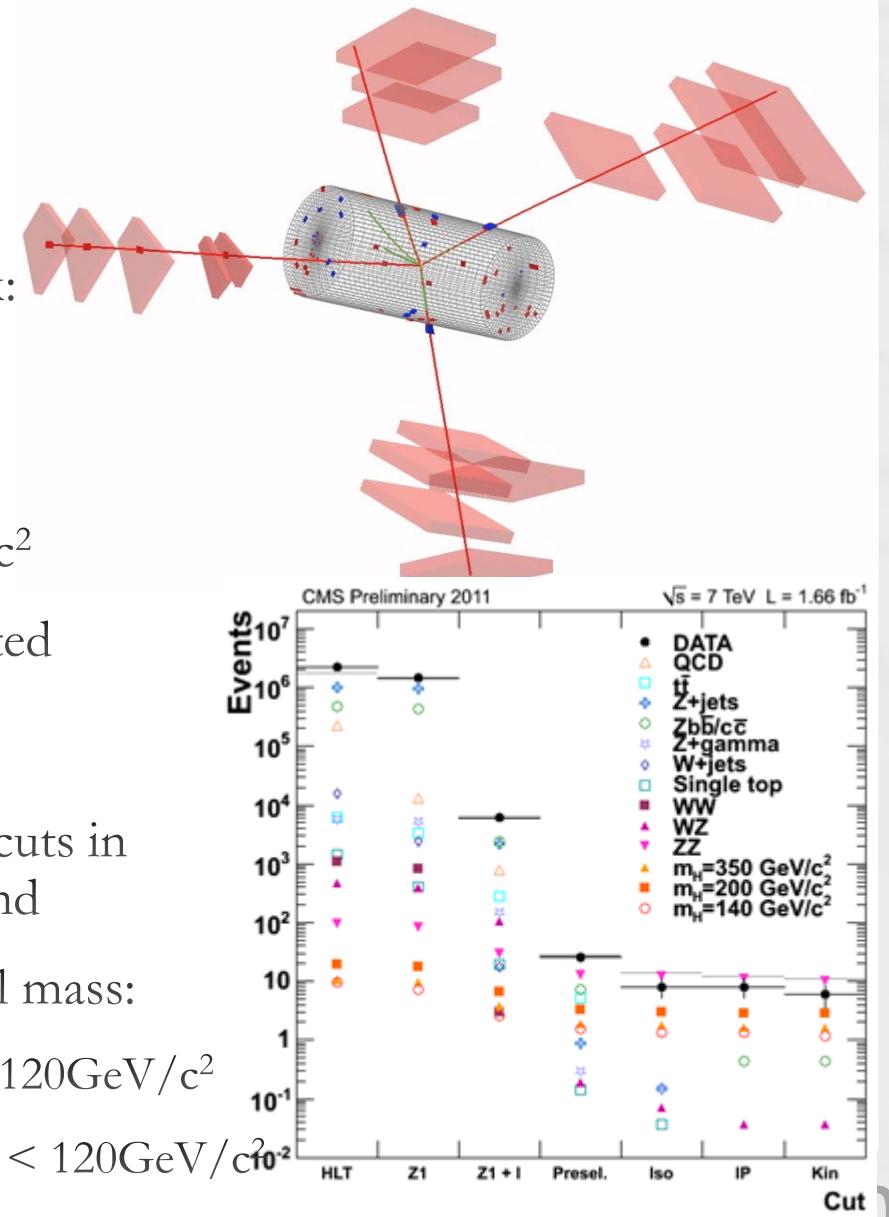
Mass	120	140	160
Higgs	$7.6 \pm 1.7$	$18.8 \pm 4.2$	$26.6 \pm 6.1$
qq $\rightarrow$ WW	$33.7 \pm 5.9$	$31.5 \pm 5.5$	$13.5 \pm 2.4$
gg $\rightarrow$ WW	$1.3 \pm 0.7$	$1.5 \pm 0.8$	$1.3 \pm 0.7$
VV*	$0.8 \pm 0.1$	$0.8 \pm 0.1$	$0.3 \pm 0.1$
top*	$3.0 \pm 1.1$	$3.1 \pm 1.1$	$1.9 \pm 0.9$
DY*	$0.1 \pm 0.0$	$0.1 \pm 0.0$	$0.0 \pm 0.0$
W+jets*	$19.4 \pm 7.3$	$5.6 \pm 2.3$	$2.0 \pm 1.1$
$\Sigma$ bkg	$62.3 \pm 9.5$	$44.0 \pm 6.2$	$19.0 \pm 2.9$
Data	67	46	18

- ❖ Higgs excluded in the range 147-194 GeV/c $^2$  @95%CL
- ❖ WW production cross section measured, see dedicated Di-Bosons talk:
  - ◆  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow WW + X) = 55.3 \pm 3.3(\text{stat.}) \pm 6.9(\text{syst.}) \pm 3.3(\text{lumi.}) pb$
- ❖ Consistent with  $\sigma^{\text{th.}}(\text{NLO}) = 43.0 \pm 2.0$  pb at 1 $\sigma$  level

# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$

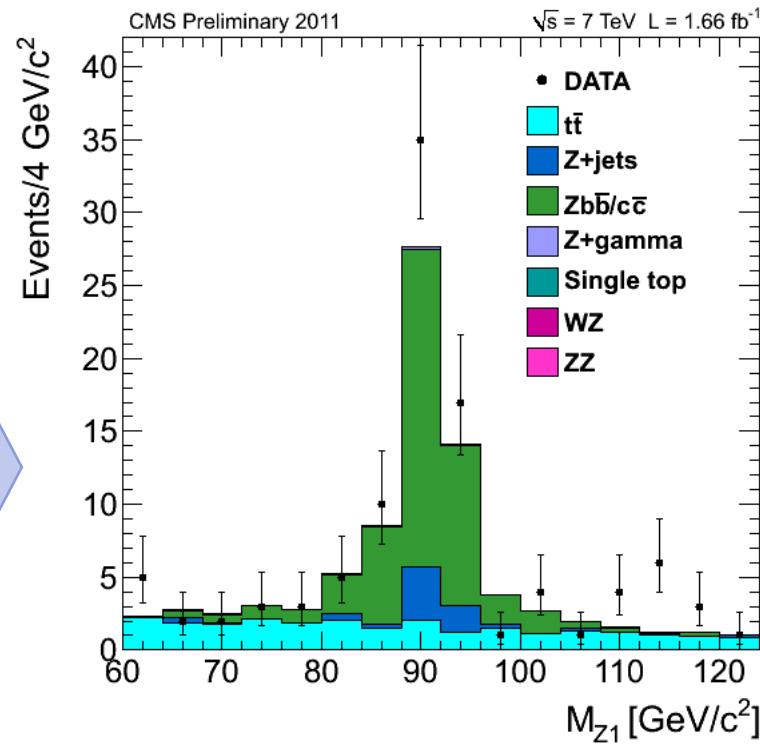
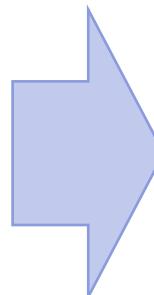
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- ❖ Signal characterized by:
  - ◆ Very clean final state signature
  - ◆ 4 isolated lepton from common vertex:
    - ◆ 4e; 4 $\mu$ ; 2e2 $\mu$
  - ◆ Fully reconstructed
  - ◆ Expected mass resolution  $\sim 2\text{-}4 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
  - ◆ Small branching ratio: low yield expected
  
- ❖ Analysis tools
  - ◆ Using isolation and impact parameter cuts in order to minimize reducible background
  - ◆ Lepton pairs constrained to Z nominal mass:
    - ◆ Baseline selection  $20\text{GeV}/c^2 < m(Z_2) < 120\text{GeV}/c^2$
    - ◆ High mass selection  $60\text{GeV}/c^2 < m(Z_2) < 120\text{GeV}/c^2$



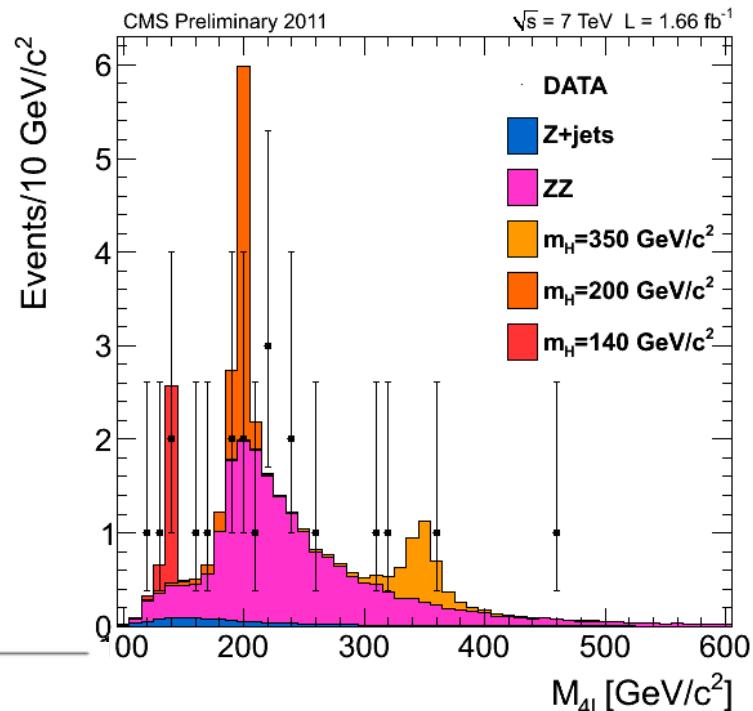
# Backgrounds estimation

- ❖ ZZ continuum:
  - ◆ Shape known at NLO, modeled with MCFM
  - ◆ Normalized to  $Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$  events in data, corrected using the theoretical prediction for ratio of ZZ to Z cross sections and acceptance from MC
- ❖ Fake-lepton from Z+jets:
  - ◆ Estimation from a control sample with Z+loosely identified leptons
- ❖  $Z \rightarrow bb, tt$ :
  - ◆ Removing flavour, charge and isolation cuts from  $Z_2$
  - ◆ Reverse impact parameter cut



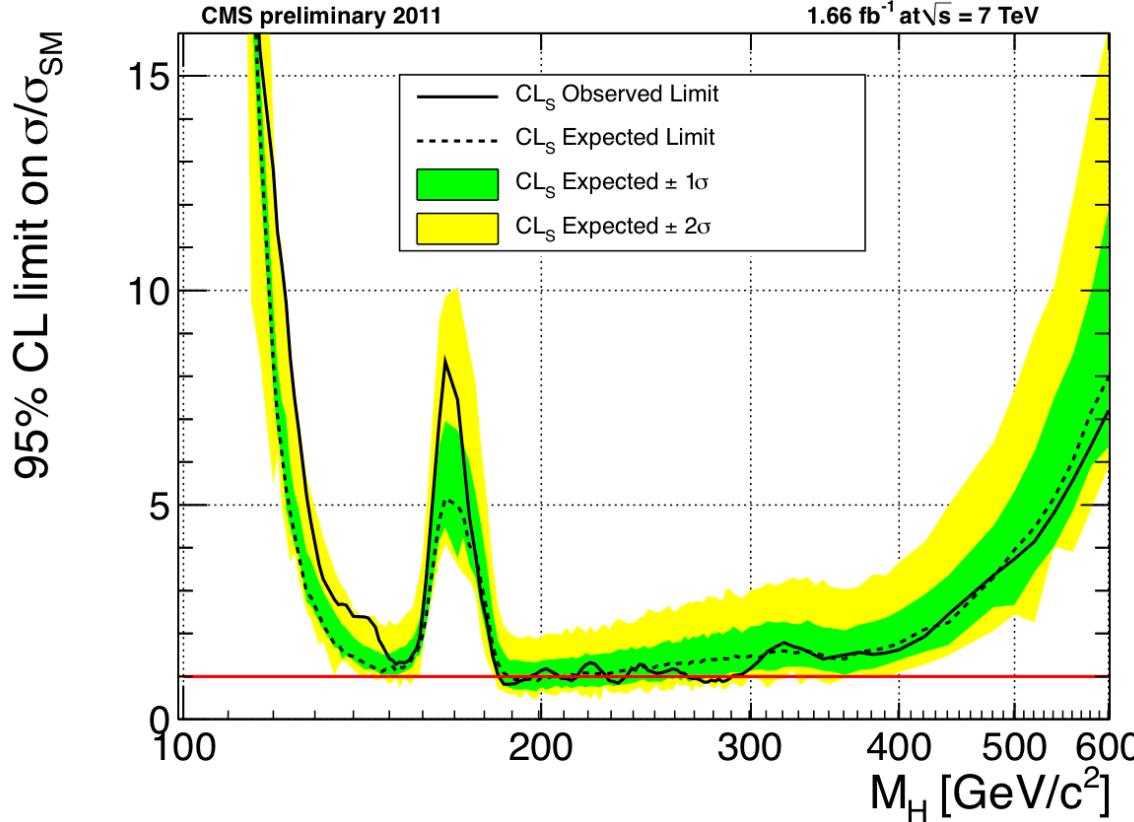
# Selection and Yield

- ❖ 6 out of 21 events below threshold of 2 on-shell Z's
  - ◆ No peak structure
  - ◆ Mass paired (122, 142, 165)  $\text{GeV}/c^2$
  - ◆  $142 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  the most "Higgs-compatible"



	baseline		
	$4e$	$4\mu$	$2e2\mu$
$ZZ$	$4.05 \pm 0.26$	$6.02 \pm 0.40$	$9.87 \pm 0.66$
$Z + \text{jet}$	$0.48 \pm 0.08$	$0.09 \pm 0.02$	$0.61 \pm 0.11$
$Zb\bar{b}/c\bar{c}, t\bar{t}$	$0.01 \pm 0.01$	$0.05 \pm 0.01$	$0.06 \pm 0.01$
$WZ$	$0.009 \pm 0.009$	$0.009 \pm 0.009$	$0.04 \pm 0.02$
All background	$4.54 \pm 0.27$	$6.12 \pm 0.40$	$10.52 \pm 0.67$
$m_H = 140 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0.45	0.82	1.19
$m_H = 200 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	1.20	1.71	2.80
$m_H = 350 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0.70	0.93	1.63
Observed	5	10	6

# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ : results

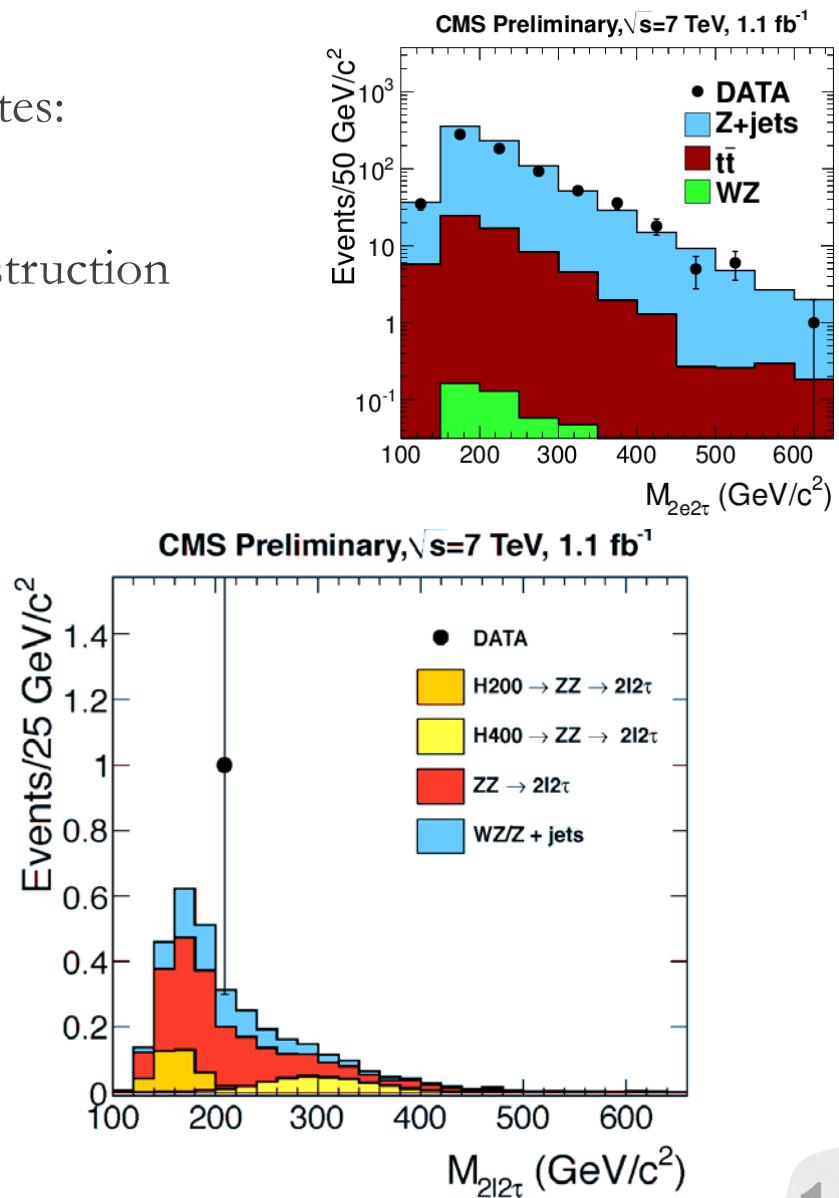
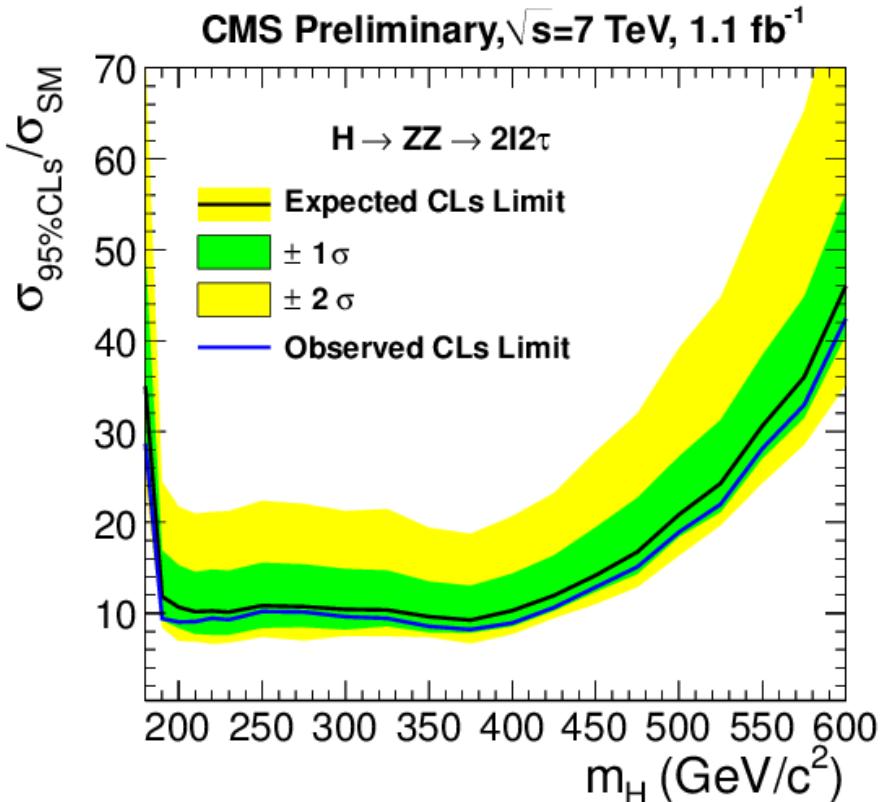


- ❖ ZZ production cross section measured, see dedicated Di-Bosons talk:
  - ◆  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow ZZ + X) \times B(ZZ \rightarrow 4l) = 20.8^{+6.8}_{-4.0}(stat.) \pm 0.5(syst.) \pm 0.9(lumi) fb$
- ❖ Consistent with  $\sigma^{\text{th.}}(\text{NLO}) = 28.32 \pm 1.95$  fb at  $1\sigma$  level

# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\tau$

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- ❖ This analysis complements the  $4\ell$  final states:  
discard events duplicated in  $4\ell$  modes
  - ◆ Add kinematical constraint for  $\tau$  reconstruction  
in  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$



# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$

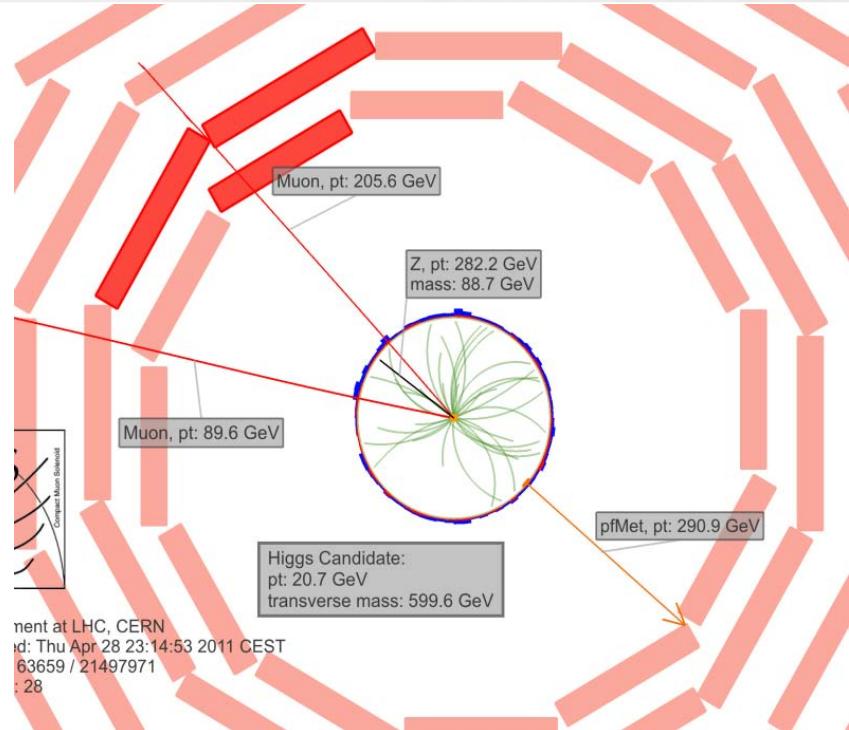
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- ❖ Signal characterized by:

- ◆ Boosted Z decaying in a  $\ell^+\ell^-$  pair,  
well isolated ( $p_{T1,2} > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$ )
- ◆ Large  $M_{ET}$  from Z decaying in  
neutrinos

- ❖ Background Estimation

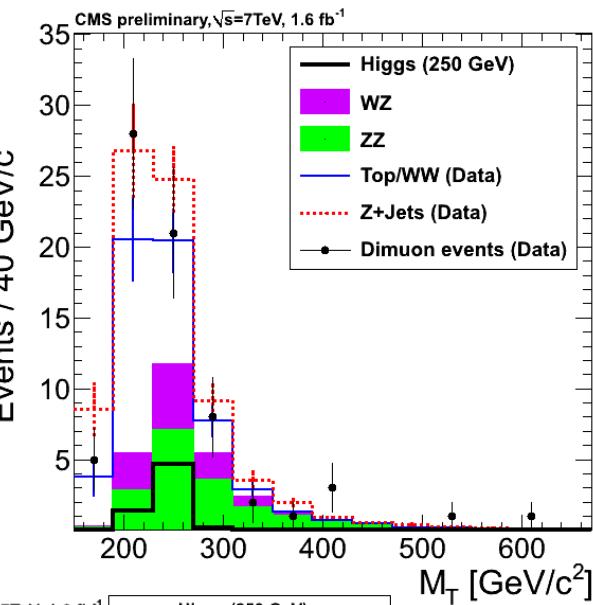
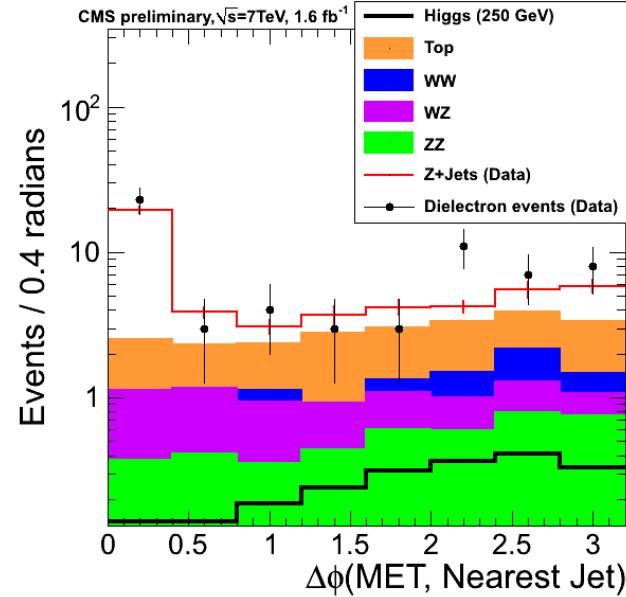
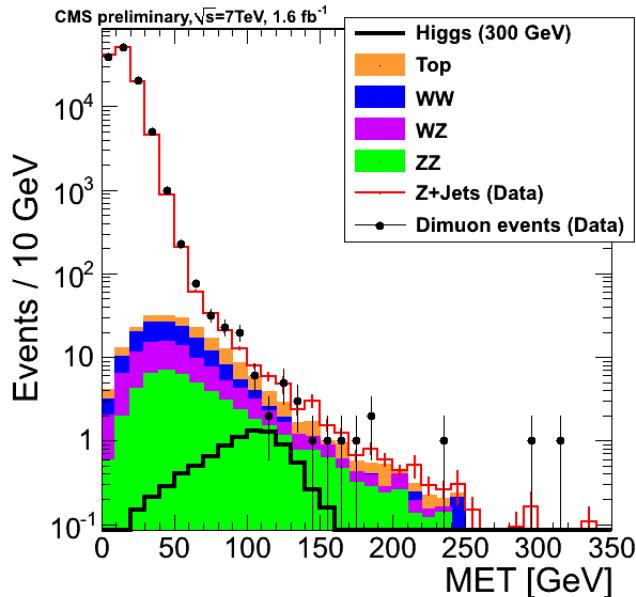
- ◆ ttbar suppression through b-tag veto
- ◆ ZZ, WZ background estimated from MC
- ◆ Residual backgrounds estimated from data
  - ◆ Z+jets: modeled from  $\gamma + \text{jets}$
  - ◆ ttbar and WW: estimated from  $e\mu$  in data



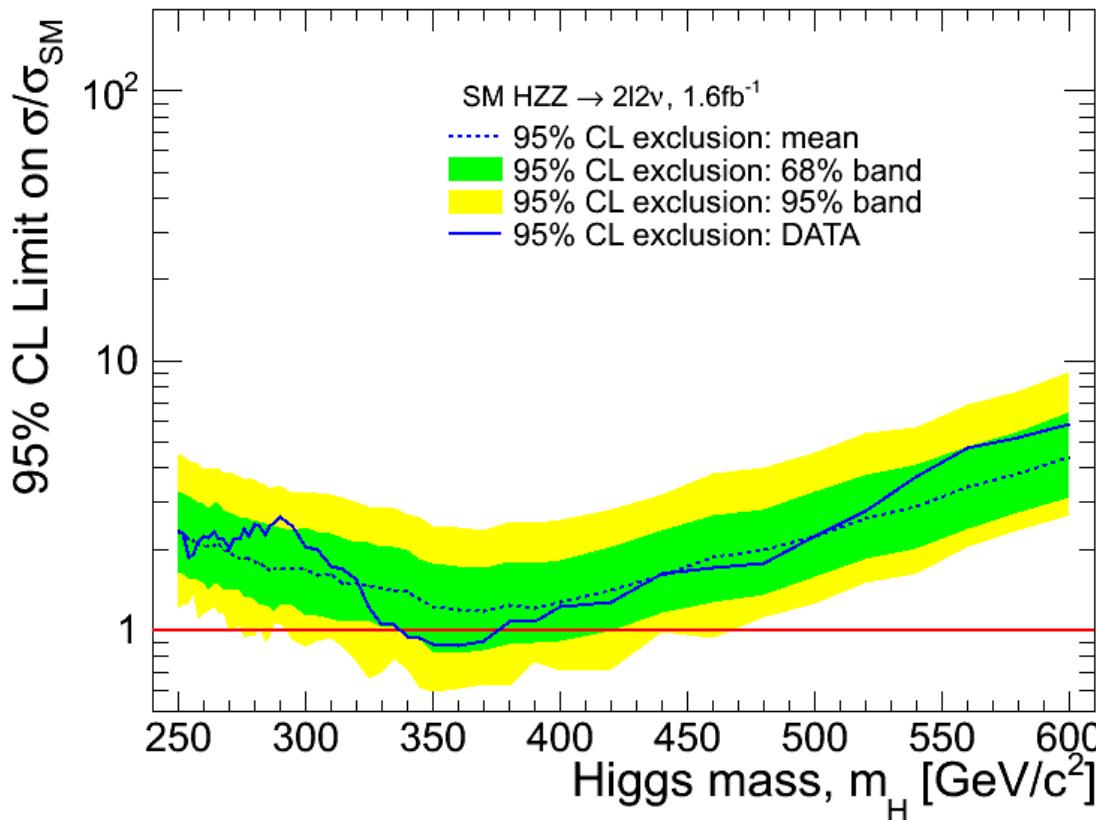
# Discriminating variables

- ❖ Cuts optimized by Higgs mass hypothesis
- ❖ Di-lepton pair constrained to Z mass
- ❖ Large  $ME_T$ , not aligned with jets
- ❖ Signal events characterized by large  $M_T$ , where:

$$M_T^2 = \left( \sqrt{P_{TZ}^2 + M_Z^2} + \sqrt{ME_T^2 + M_Z^2} \right)^2 - (\vec{P}_{TZ} + \vec{ME}_T)^2$$



# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$ : results



Channel	ZZ	WZ	Top/WW/W+Jets	Z+Jets	Total	$mH(300)$	Data
$\mu\mu$	$7.3 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.71$	$4.1 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.48$	$5.3 \pm 0.61 \pm 1.8$	$4.4 \pm 0.64 \pm 1.1$	$21 \pm 2.4$	$5.4 \pm 0.72$	18
$ee$	$5.4 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.58$	$2.8 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.35$	$4 \pm 0.66 \pm 1.3$	$3 \pm 0.42 \pm 0.74$	$15 \pm 1.9$	$4.2 \pm 0.59$	22

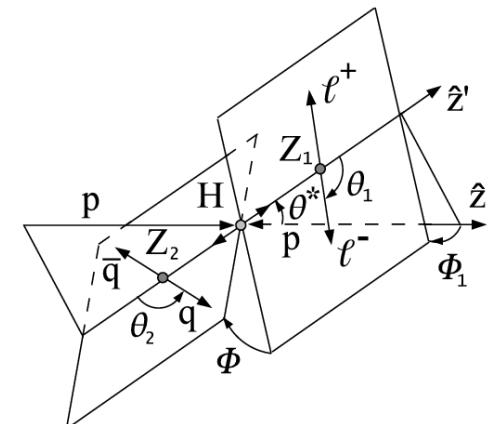
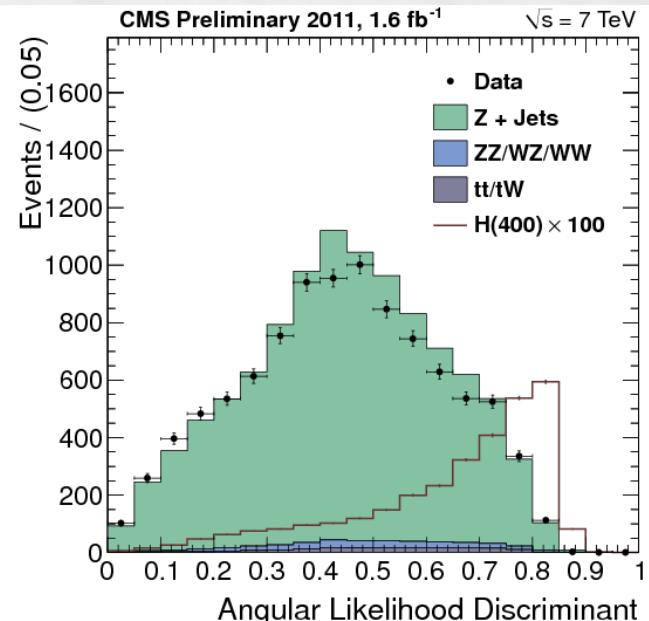
# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2q$

- ❖ Signal characterized by: [CMS-PAS-HIG-11-017](#)

- ◆ Highest rate amongst all  $H \rightarrow ZZ$  final states
- ◆ Fully reconstructed final states
  - ◆ Well isolated lepton pair ( $p_T > 20, 10$  GeV/c)
  - ◆ Well defined jets ( $p_T > 30$  GeV/c)
- ◆ Search for a peak ( $\sigma \sim 10$  GeV/c $^2$ ) in  $m_{2\ell 2j}$

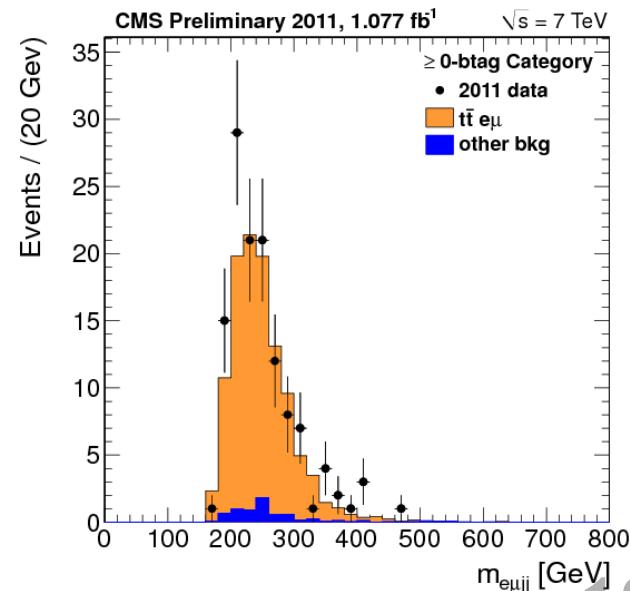
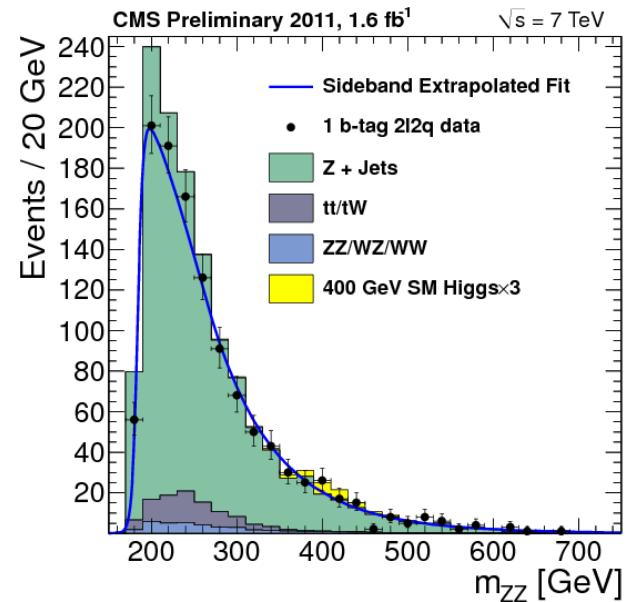
- ❖ Analysis tools:

- ◆ Di-lepton and di-jet pairs constrained to Z mass
- ◆ Likelihood selection based on angular variables:
  - ◆ Final states angles independent from prod. Mechanism
- ◆ B-tag
- ◆ Quark-gluons discrimination (Z+jets events involve gluon radiations)
  - ◆ Gluon jets characterized by high track multiplicity (more intense coupling with strong field)

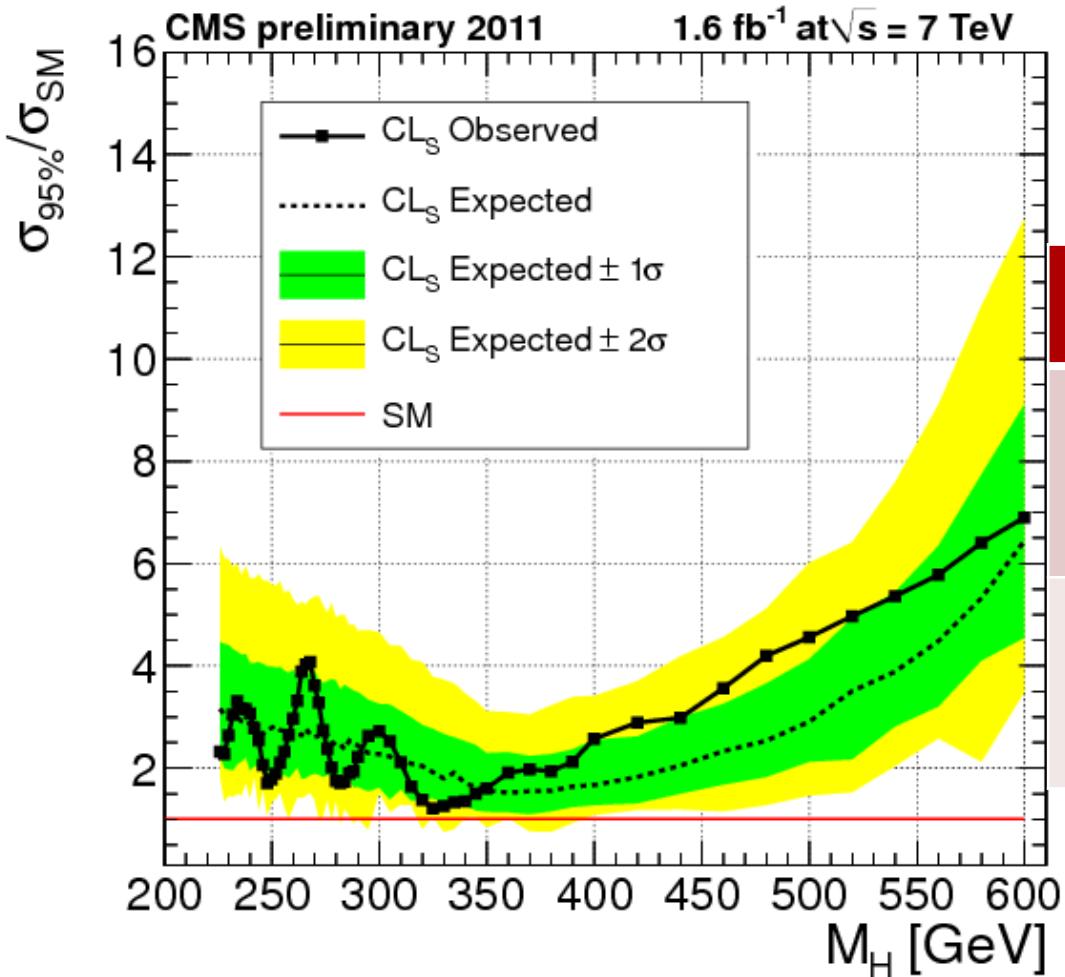


# Background Modeling

- ❖ Divided in 3 categories
  - ◆ 0 btag: no b-tagged jets; Q-G likelihood and gluon-veto
  - ◆ 1 btag: only one jet should satisfy the btag algorithm
  - ◆ 2 btag: the 2 jets in the event should satisfy the btag algorithm
- ❖ Sidebands extrapolation:
  - ◆  $(60 < m_{jj} < 75 \text{ GeV}/c^2) \cup (105 < m_{jj} < 130 \text{ GeV}/c^2)$
  - ◆ Data-driven, better data description than MC
- ❖ Reducible background suppression:
  - ◆ ttbar suppressed with  $ME_T$  cut
  - ◆ residual background controlled using  $e\mu$  events



# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2q$ : results



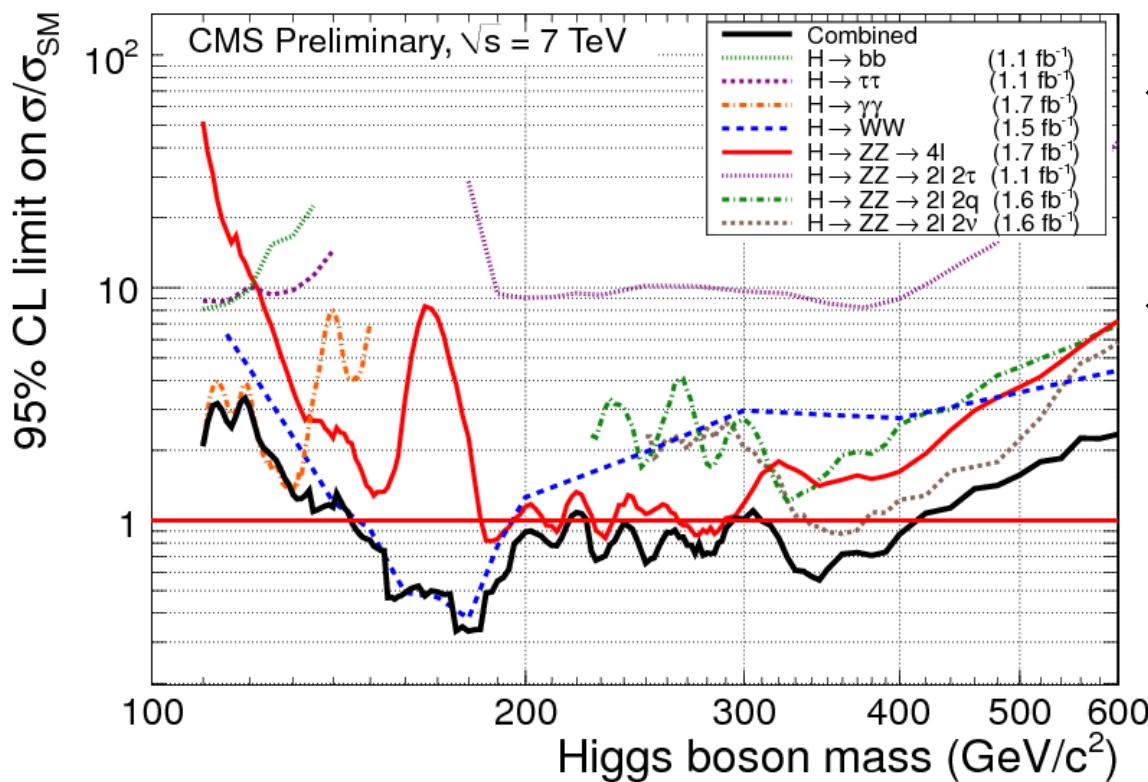
	Yield	Exp. Bkg (data)	Exp. Bkg (MC)
$\mu^-\mu^+jj$	586	$575.9 \pm 23.1$	$634.7 \pm 10.1$
	627	$606.8 \pm 24.5$	$681.4 \pm 10.7$
	48	$41.2 \pm 4.7$	$43.1 \pm 2.8$
$e^-e^+jj$	492	$490.5 \pm 21.3$	$501.4 \pm 8.8$
	518	$526.9 \pm 22.8$	$542.8 \pm 9.4$
	45	$35.4 \pm 4.1$	$37.5 \pm 2.6$

- ❖ Exclusion plot from shape analysis

# Combined results

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- ❖ Detailed discussion in the next session



- ❖ Expected exclusion range:
  - ◆ 130-440 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
- ❖ Higgs excluded in ranges:
  - ◆ 145-216 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
  - ◆ 226-288 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>
  - ◆ 310-400 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

# Conclusions

- ❖ Presented the CMS analysis for the Higgs search in ZZ,WW channel
  - ◆ Analyzed up to  $\sim 1.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  data
  - ◆ Provided a wide exclusion range for the Higgs boson
- ❖ In the meanwhile...
  - ... CMS recorded  $\sim 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  data!
- ❖ Close to a final word?
  - ◆ Stay tuned!
- ❖ CMS Higgs Physics Results