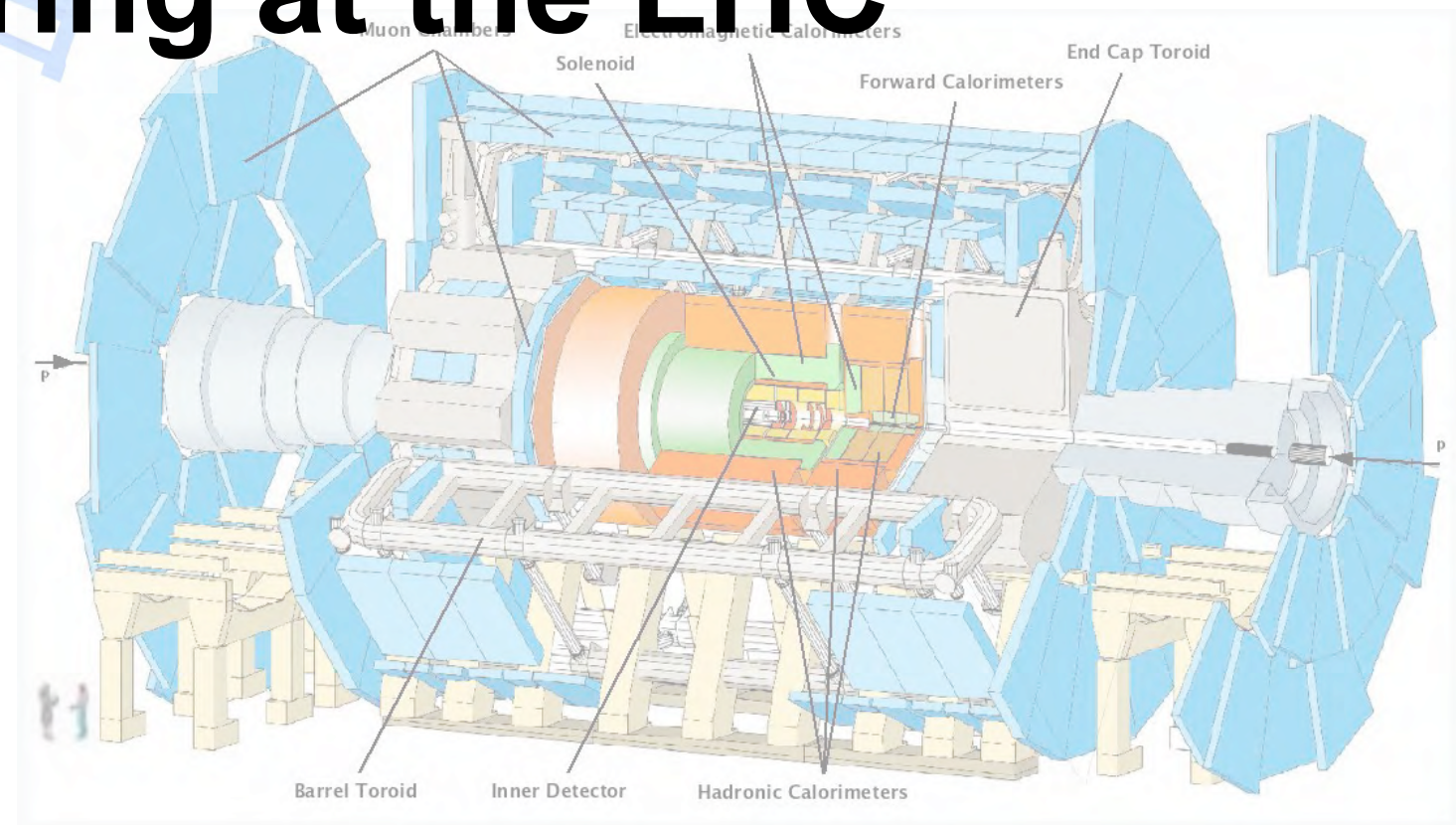


VV Scattering at the LHC



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Outline



- Theoretical introduction
- 6-fermion final states
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- Summary



Why is the Higgs needed

The **Higgs mechanism** is a cornerstone of the SM and provides:

- 1) an **explanation** of the **W, Z masses (EWSB)**
- 2) a description of the **fermion masses**

1) is the **most fundamental argument** that makes the SM “work”

2) is another way of formulating the same question:

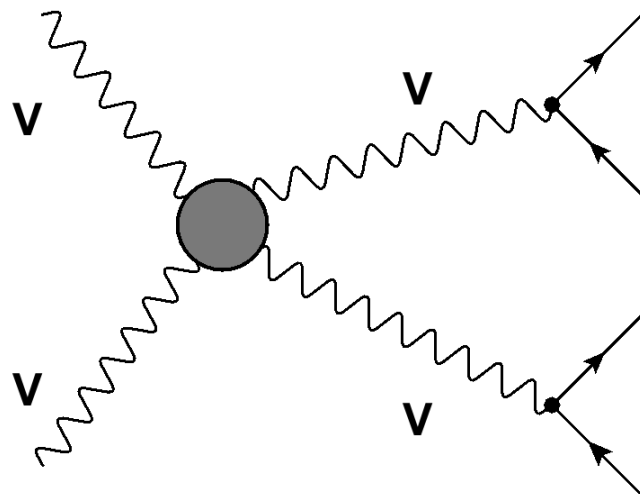
why do fermions have those specific masses?

why do fermions have those specific Higgs couplings?

(SM could work well also without 2)

VV scattering: unitarity violation

VV → VV

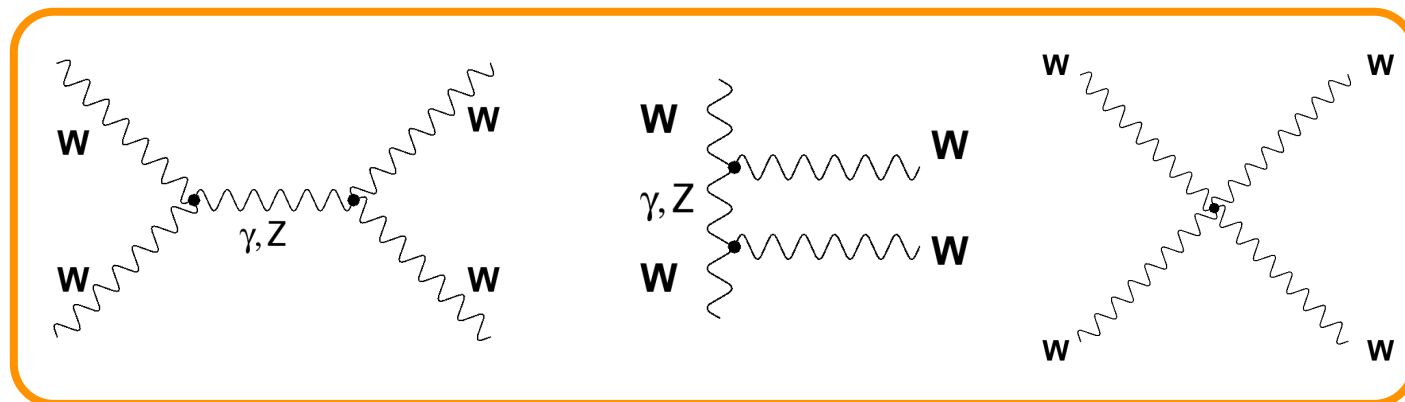


Without the Higgs, $W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-$ violates unitarity at $\sqrt{s} \geq 1.2$ TeV

W, Z masses (\rightarrow longitudinal degrees of freedom) arise from the Higgs mechanism:

$$A(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-) \approx \frac{1}{v^2} \left(\boxed{-s - t} + \frac{s^2}{s - m_H^2} + \frac{t^2}{t - m_H^2} \right)$$

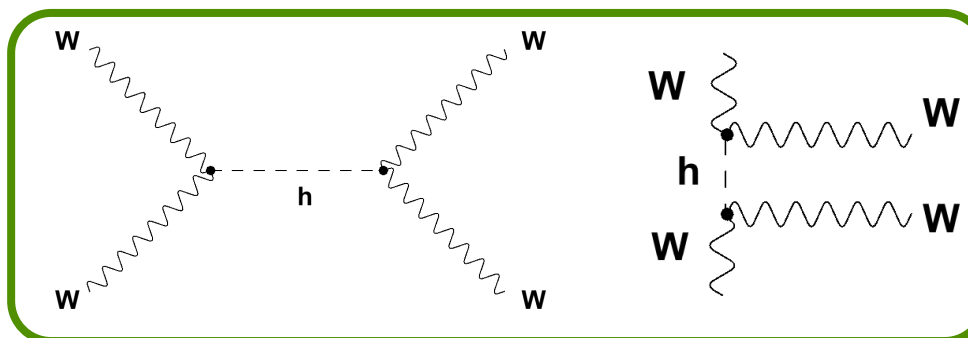
VV scattering is the smoking gun for EWSB!



S channel

T channel

QGC

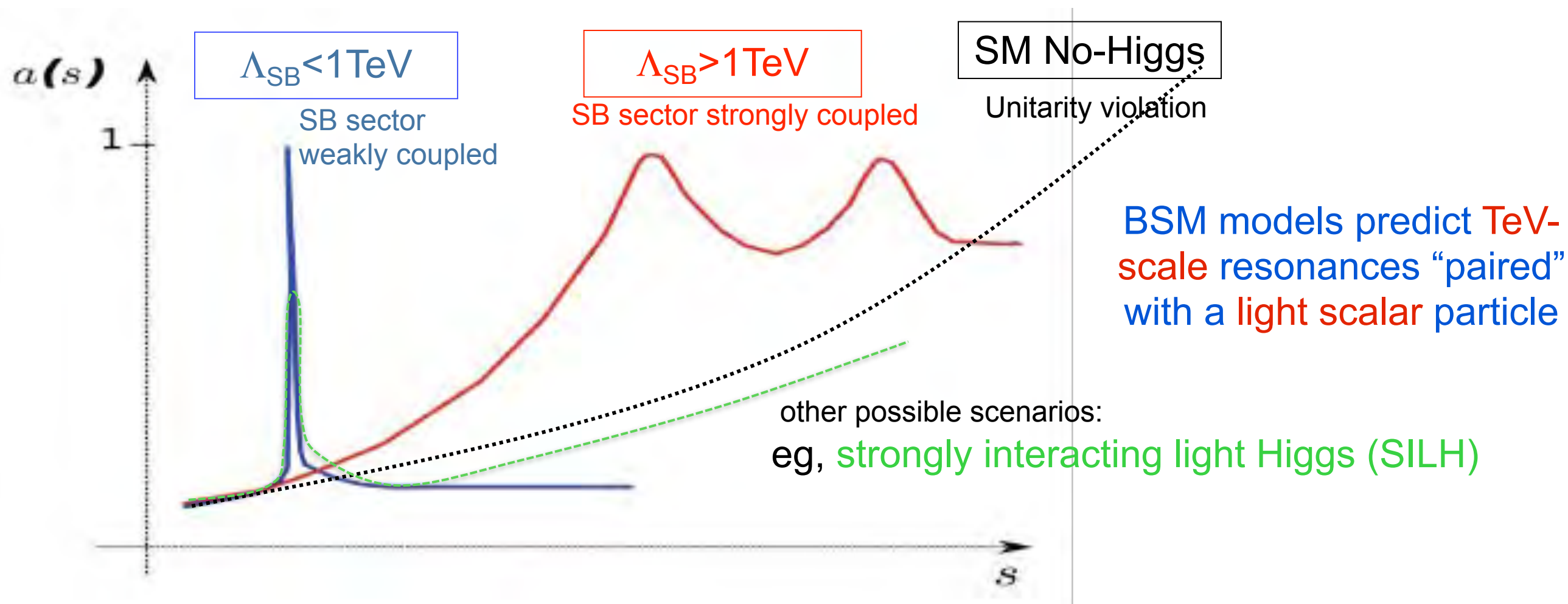


Taken from “Prospects for VV scattering: latest news” by S. Bolognesi (JHU)
talk at Implications of LHC results for TeV-Scale physics (March 2012)

VV scattering as a probe for EWSB

VV Scattering spectrum, $\sigma(VV \rightarrow VV)$ vs $M(VV)$

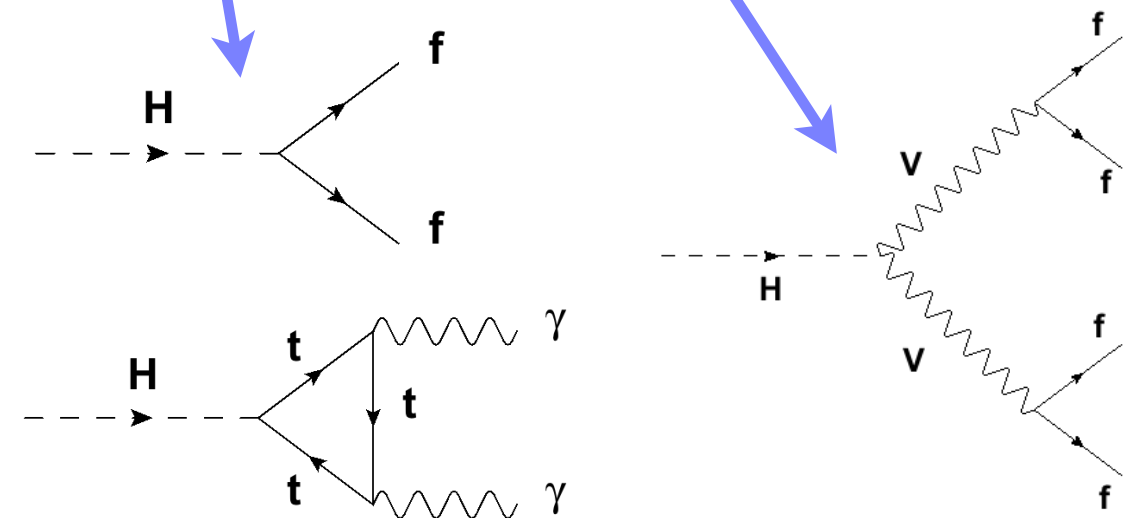
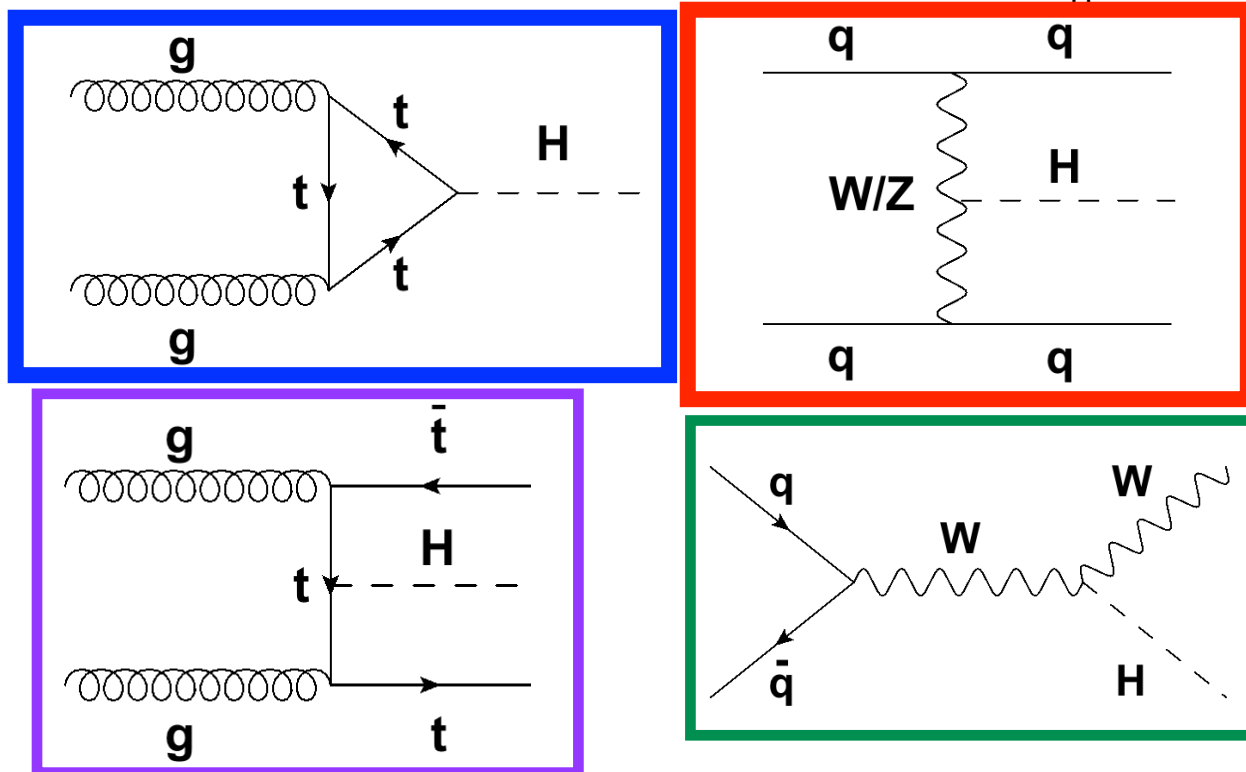
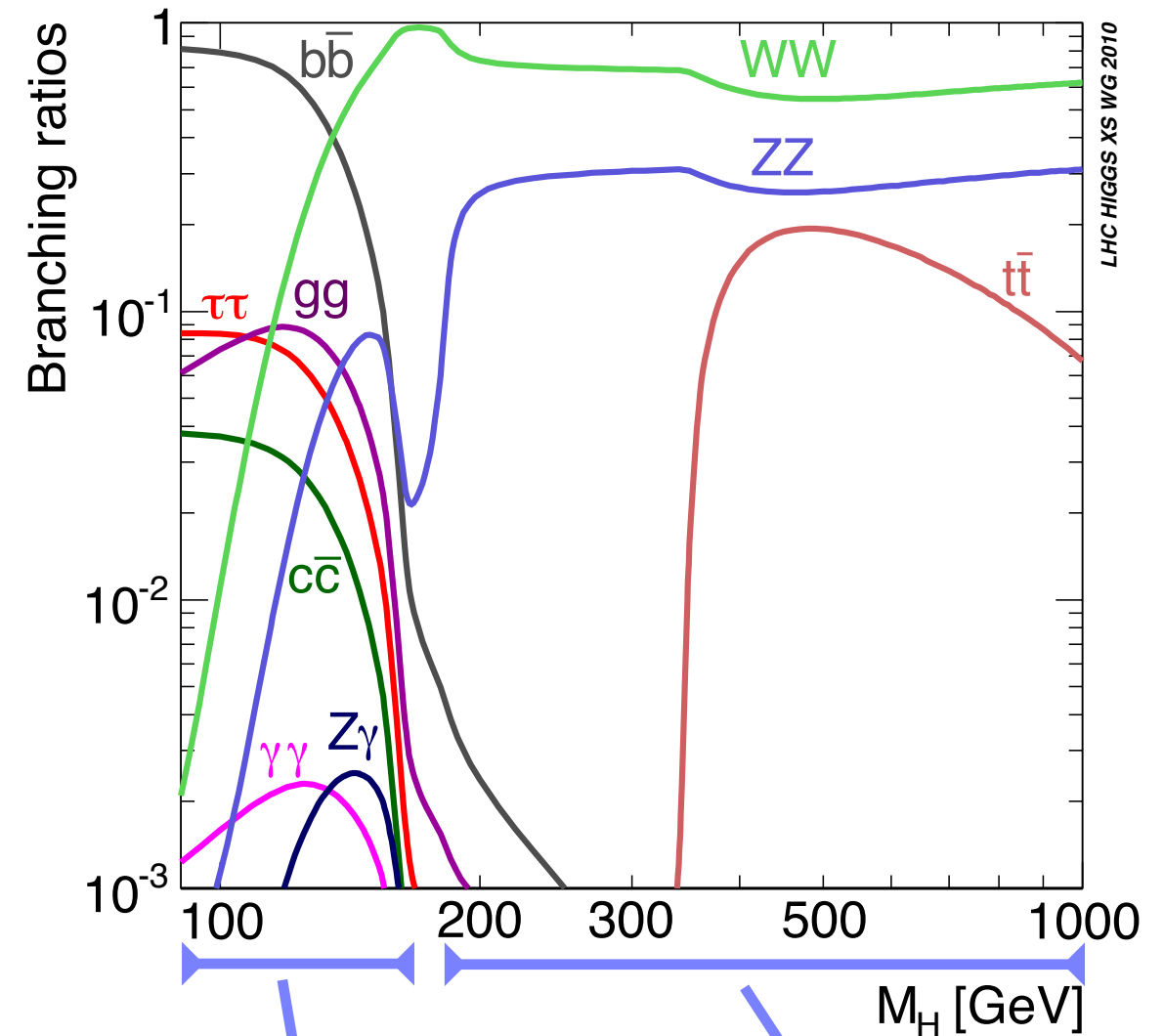
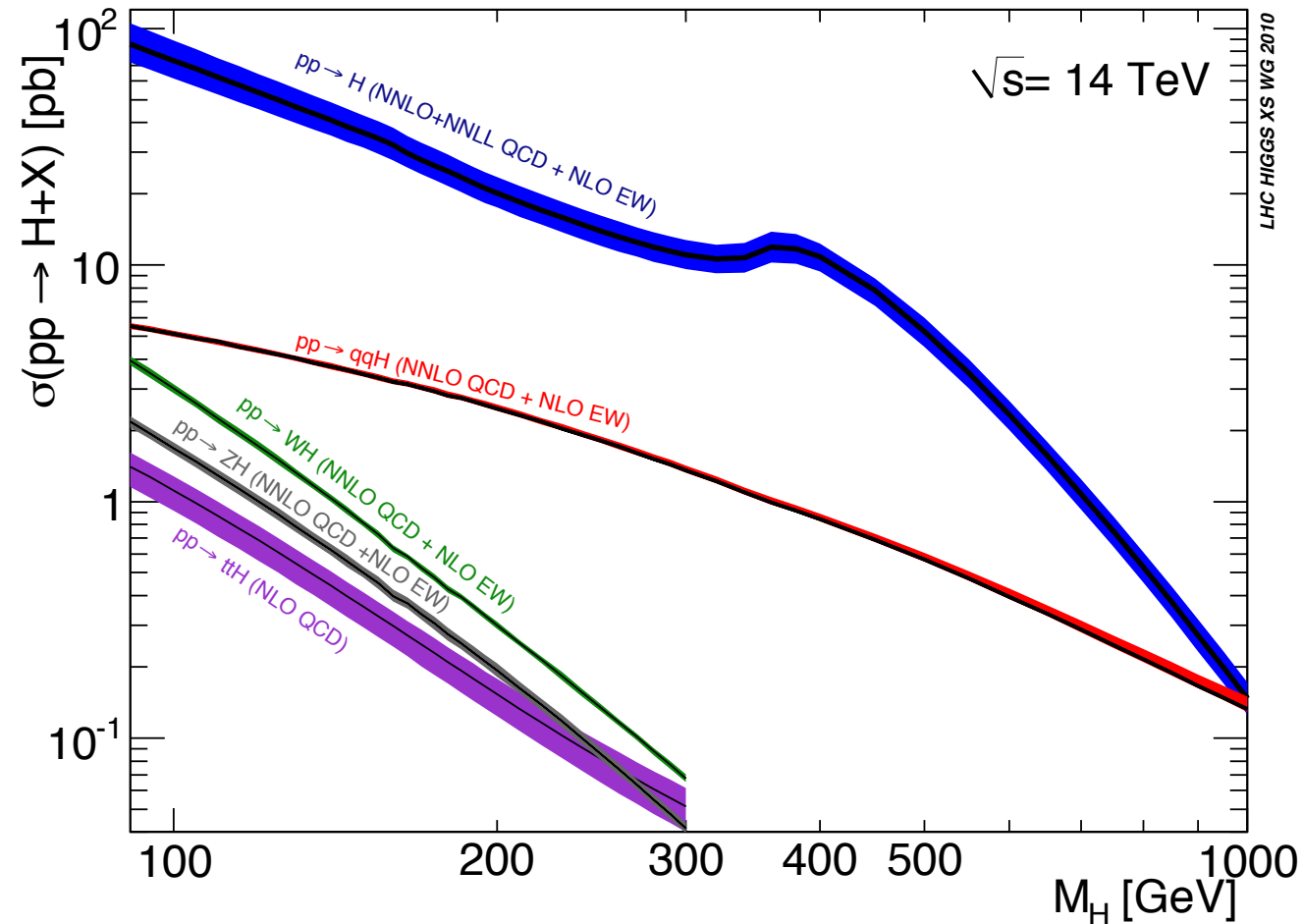
is the fundamental probe to test the **nature of the Higgs boson** or to find an **alternative EWSB mechanism**



Search for possible **resonances** in VBF spectrum

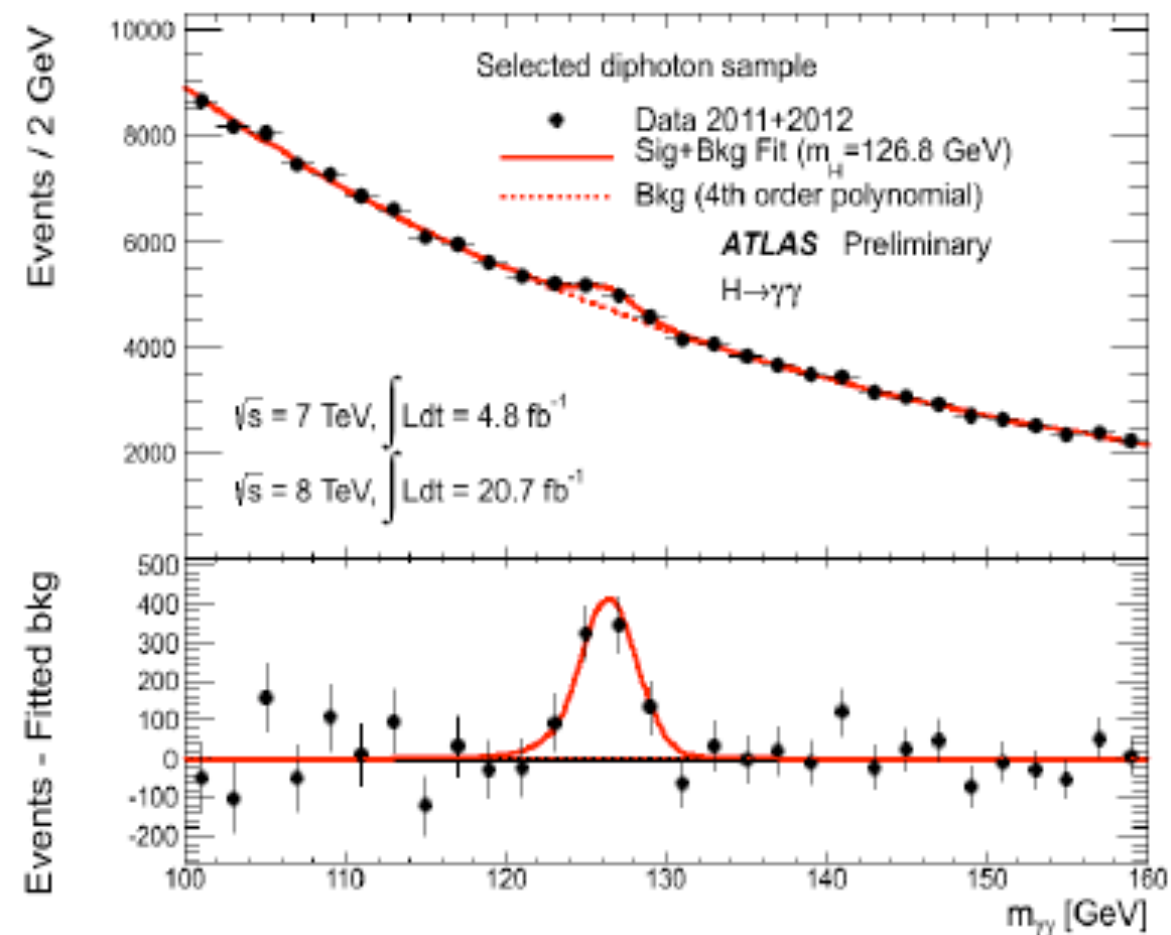
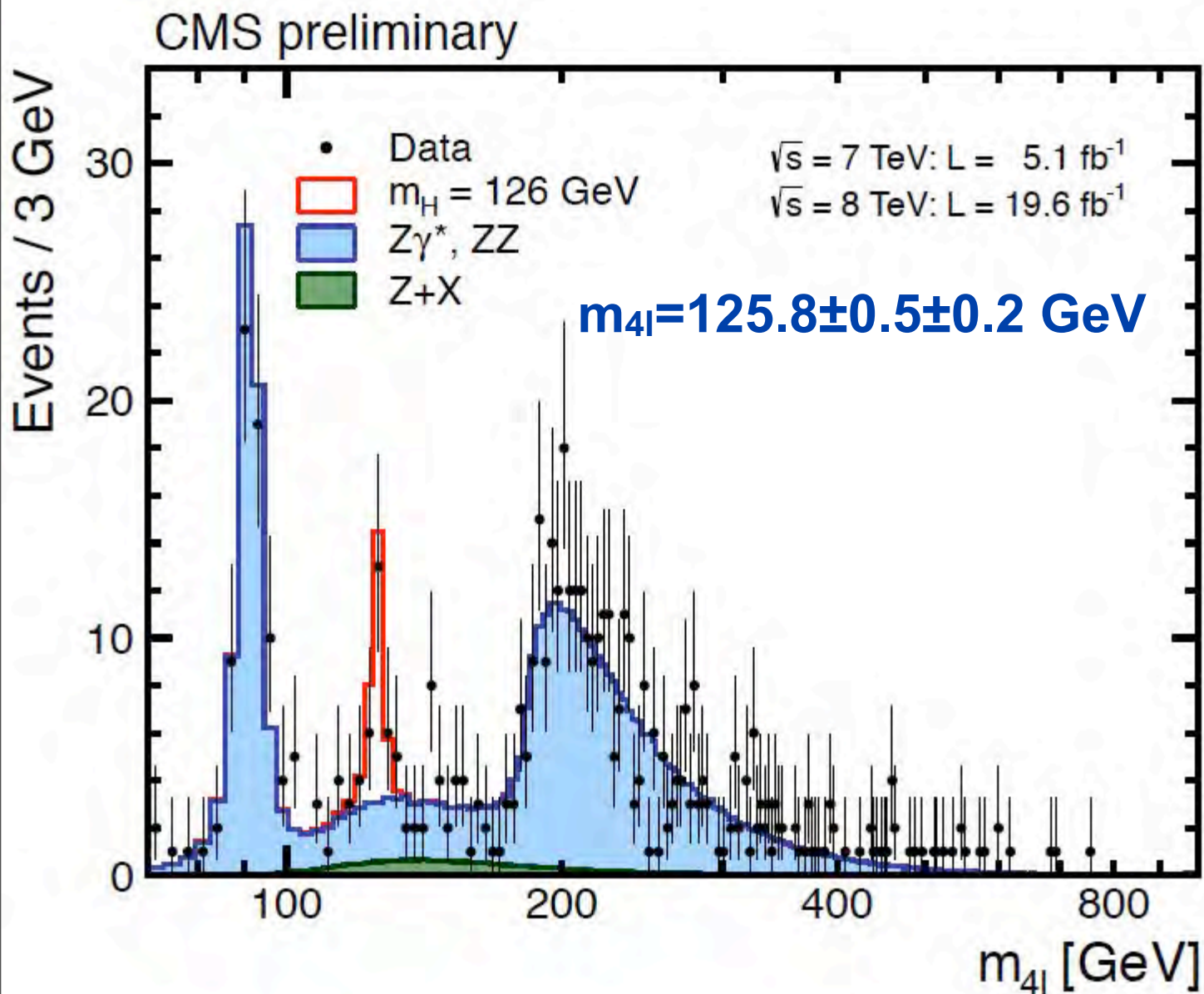
Adaptation from “**Boson Boson scattering analysis**” by A.Ballestrero (INFN Torino)
talk at First LHC to Terascale Workshop (Sept 2011):

Higgs production and decay



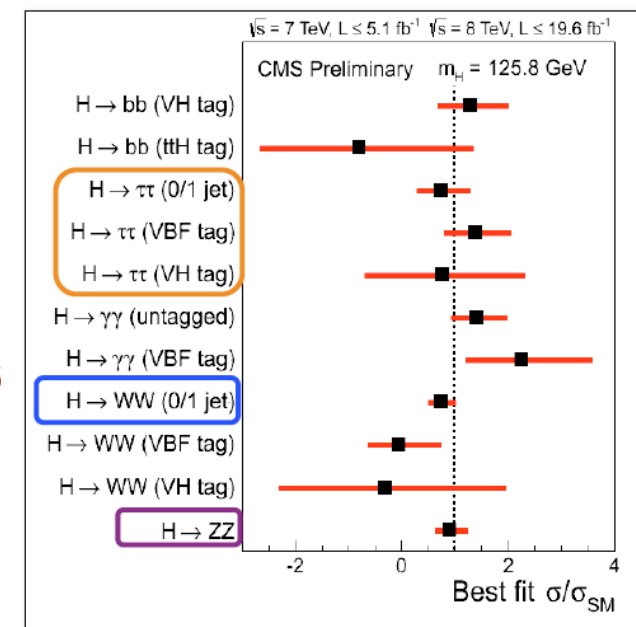
Higgs-like boson at ~125 GeV

- We have discovered a Higgs-like boson with a mass of ~125 GeV.
- J^{PC} , consistent with SM Higgs boson, couplings will need more data.



The new boson is consistent with being the SM Higgs boson

$$\sigma/\sigma_{SM} = 0.84^{+0.32}_{-0.26}$$

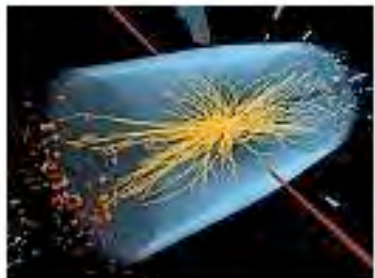


In case of doubts...ask the italian press

Corriere della Sera (6/3/13)

**Cern, la conferma è arrivata
quella particella è il bosone di Higgs**

Video Le lacrime dello scienziato il giorno dell'annuncio

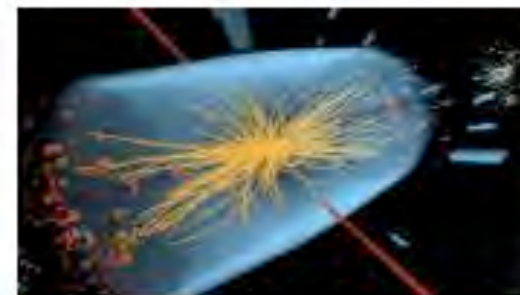


Il responso dal primo identikit presentato oggi dai fisici del Cern a La Thuile: quella scoperta nel 2012 è effettivamente la stessa prevista nel 1964 dal fisico inglese. Adesso c'è la certezza *di ELENA DUSI*

SPECIALE VIDEO

CONDIVIDI

Repubblica (6/3/13)



**La conferma del Cern:
"La particella scoperta
è il bosone di Higgs"**

La notizia arriva da La Thuile,
in Valle d'Aosta

Il bosone di Higgs spiegato ai profani: "Come un fiocco di neve"

La particella individuata lo scorso luglio dagli scienziati del Cern di Ginevra è effettivamente il mitico 'bosone di Higgs', l'inafferrabile 'particella di Dio'. L'identikit completo sarà presentato a luglio

From italian newspaper language to “scientific” language:

At **100% CL** CERN has found the **SM Higgs boson...**

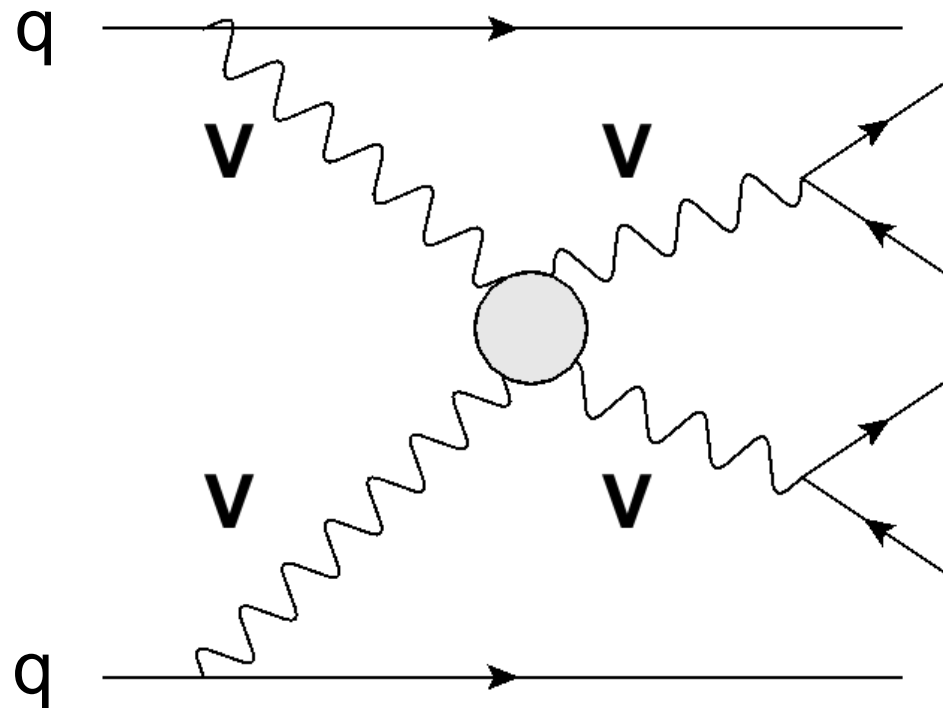
(I don't think CERN ever stated this...)

so, for the italian press we can safely remove “**like**” from Higgs-like...

(this is for Eilam)

Vector Boson Fusion (VBF)

Generic diagram for vector boson fusion (VBF) process



Signature: forward-backward
“spectator” jets with very high energy

- Once the vector bosons decay, we have a **six-fermion** final state
- The full set of $qq \rightarrow 6$ fermions diagrams has to be considered
- In order to investigate EWSB, one has to isolate VV processes from all other six-fermion final states

➡ Apply tight kinematic cuts

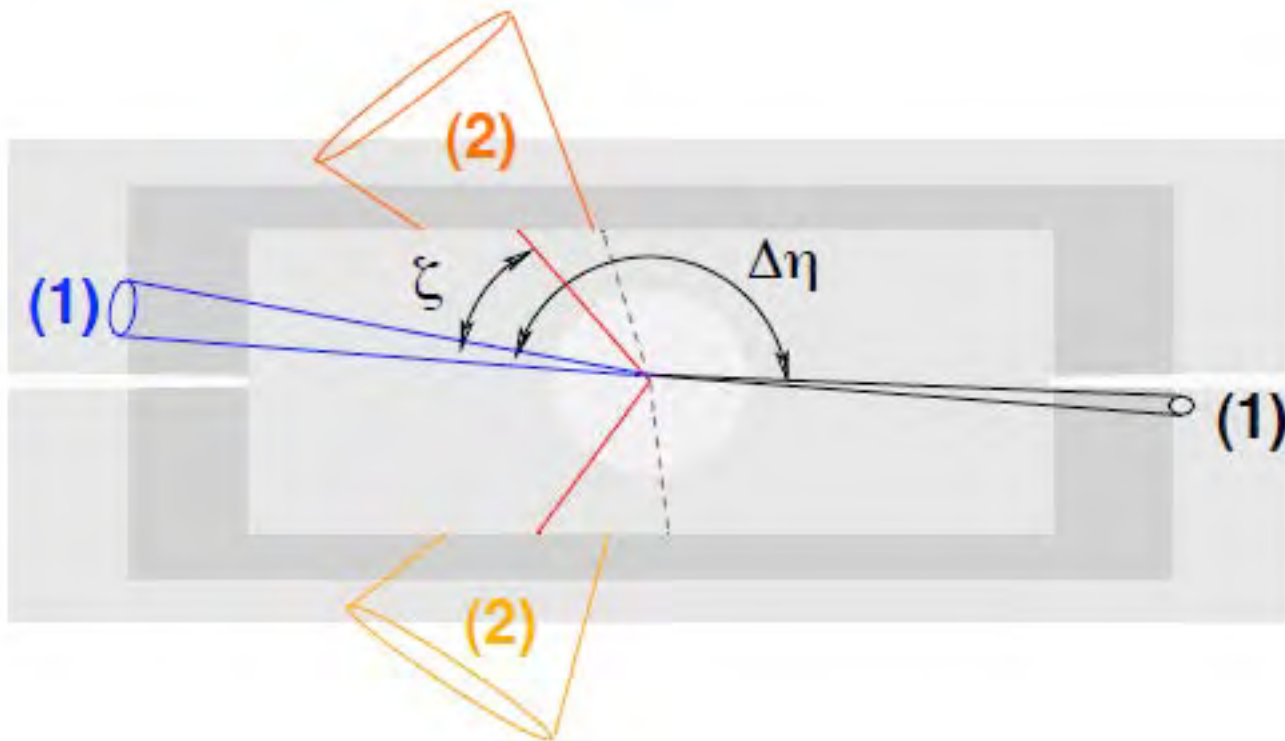
Typical kin. cuts

$$p_{T,j} > 20 \text{ GeV} \quad |\eta_j| < 5 \quad p_T^{\text{tag}} > 30 \text{ GeV} \quad |\eta_{j1} - \eta_{j2}| > 4.0$$

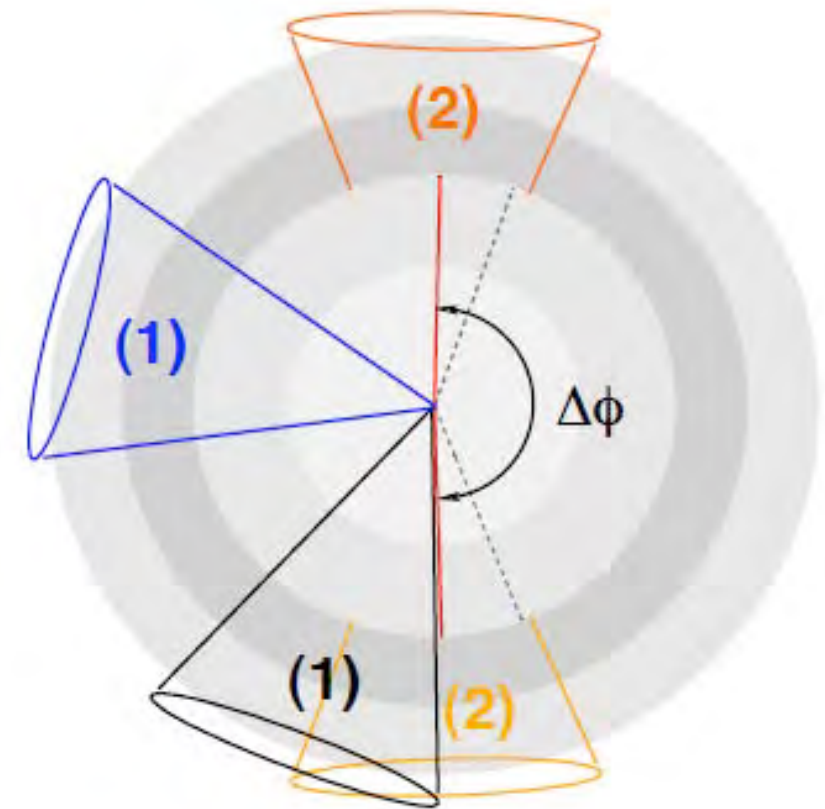
$$\eta_{j1} \cdot \eta_{j2} < 0 \quad m_{jj} > 600 \text{ GeV}$$

VBF experimental signature

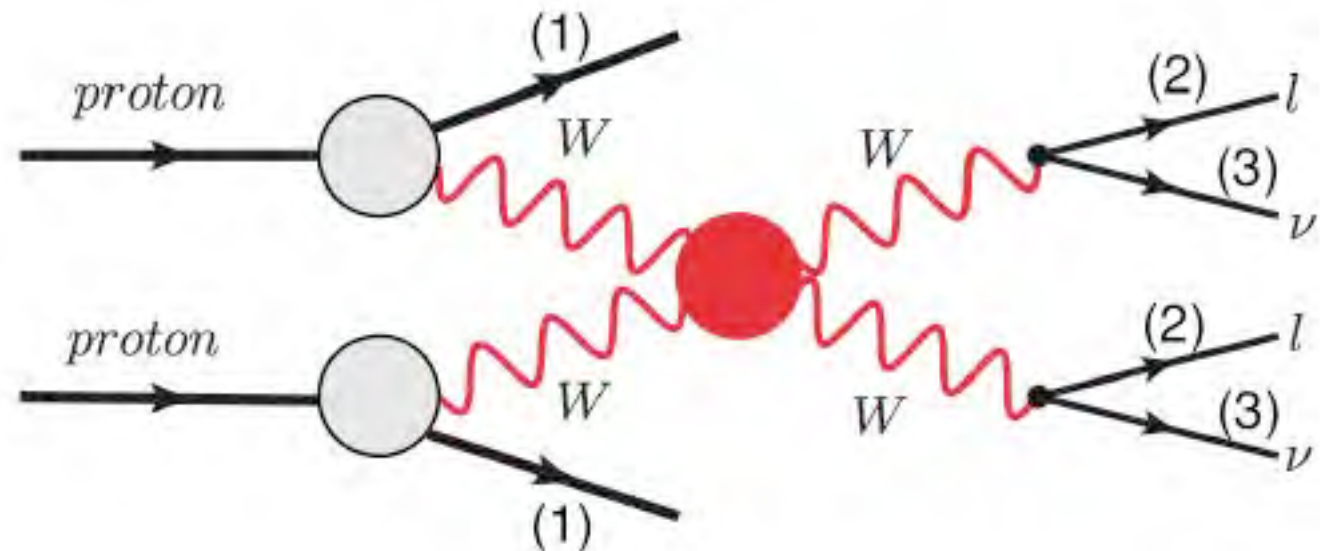
Longitudinal plane



Transverse plane



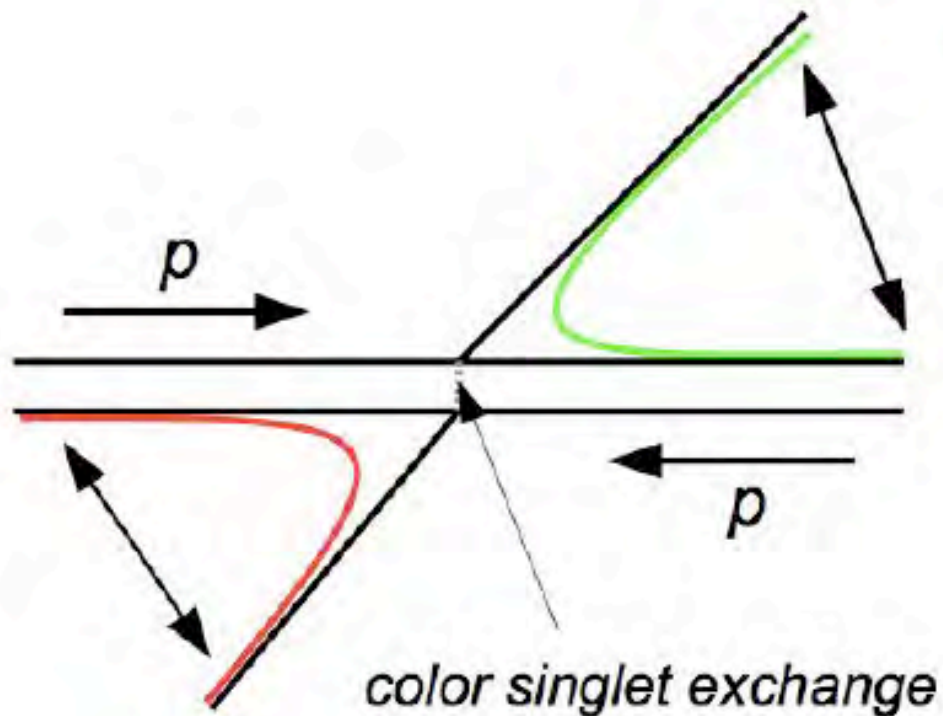
- ▶ tagging jets (1): large p_T , large $\Delta\eta$
- ▶ few jets between tagging jets
- ▶ final state $l\nu l\nu$:
 - ▶ leptons (2) between tagging jets
 - ▶ missing $E_T(3)$



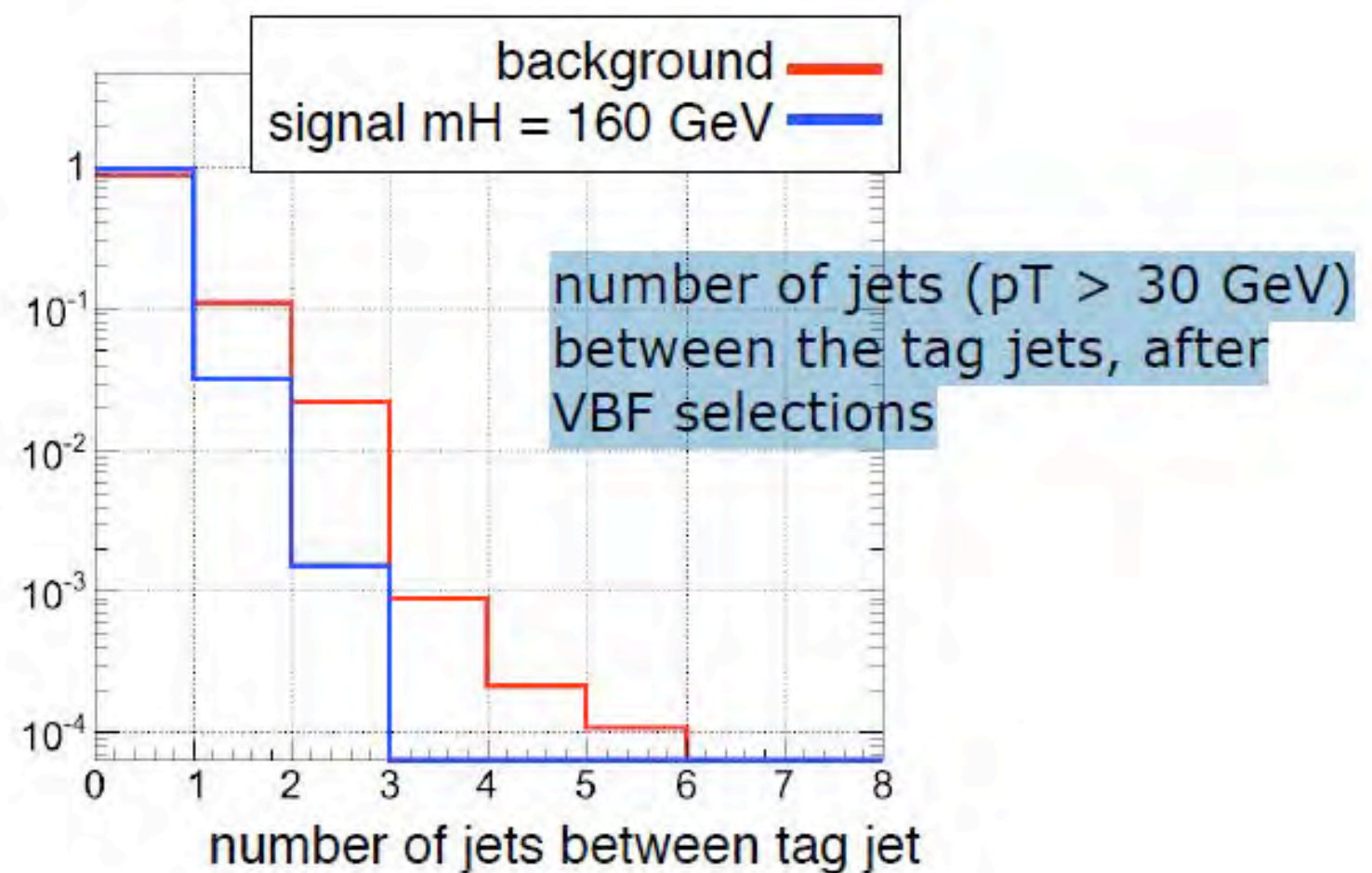
From “Study of Vector Boson Scattering including Pile-up with the ATLAS Detector”
by P. Anger (TU Dresden), DPG Frühjahrstagung Karlsruhe 2011

Central rapidity gap

- **Central rapidity gap:** no hadronic activity between the two tag jets is expected, because of the EWK nature of the VBF



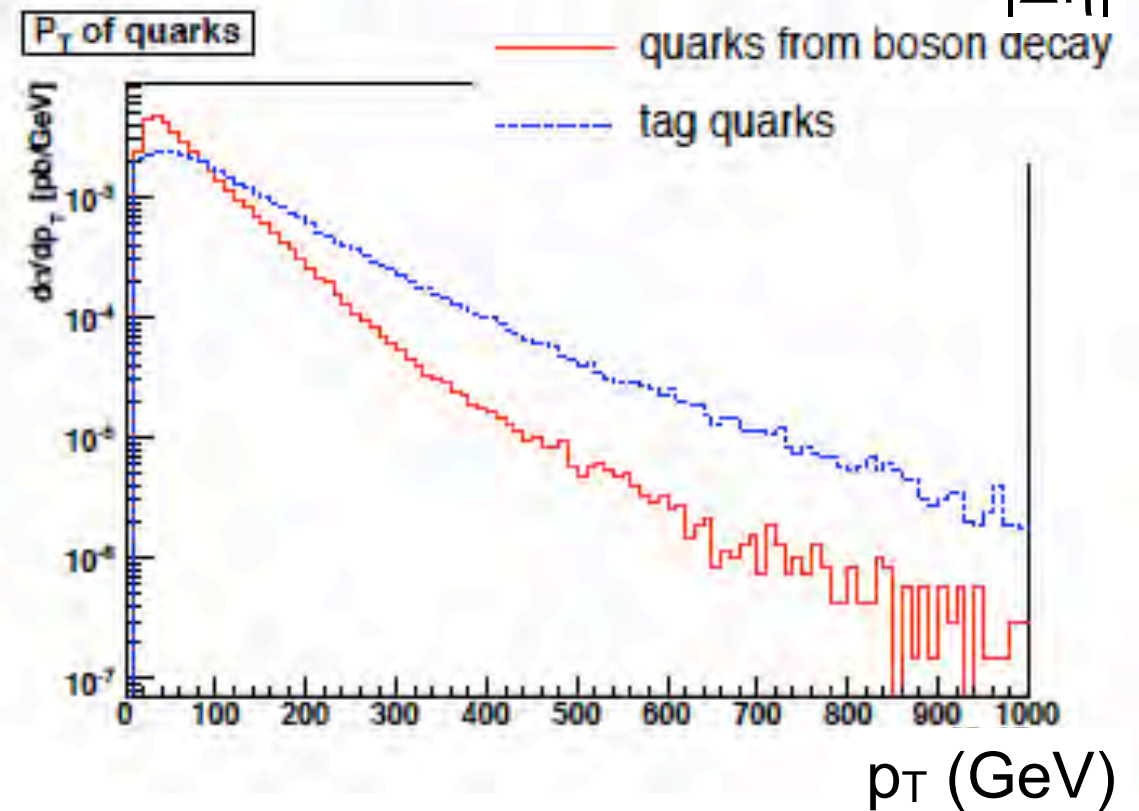
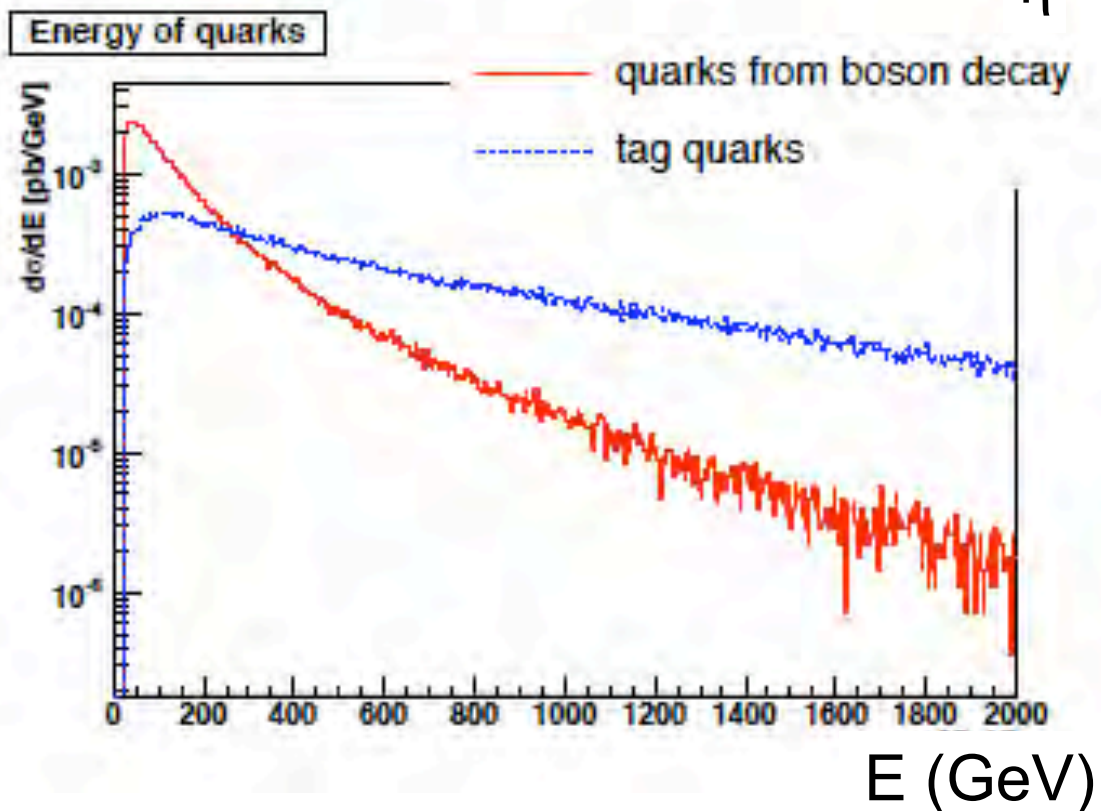
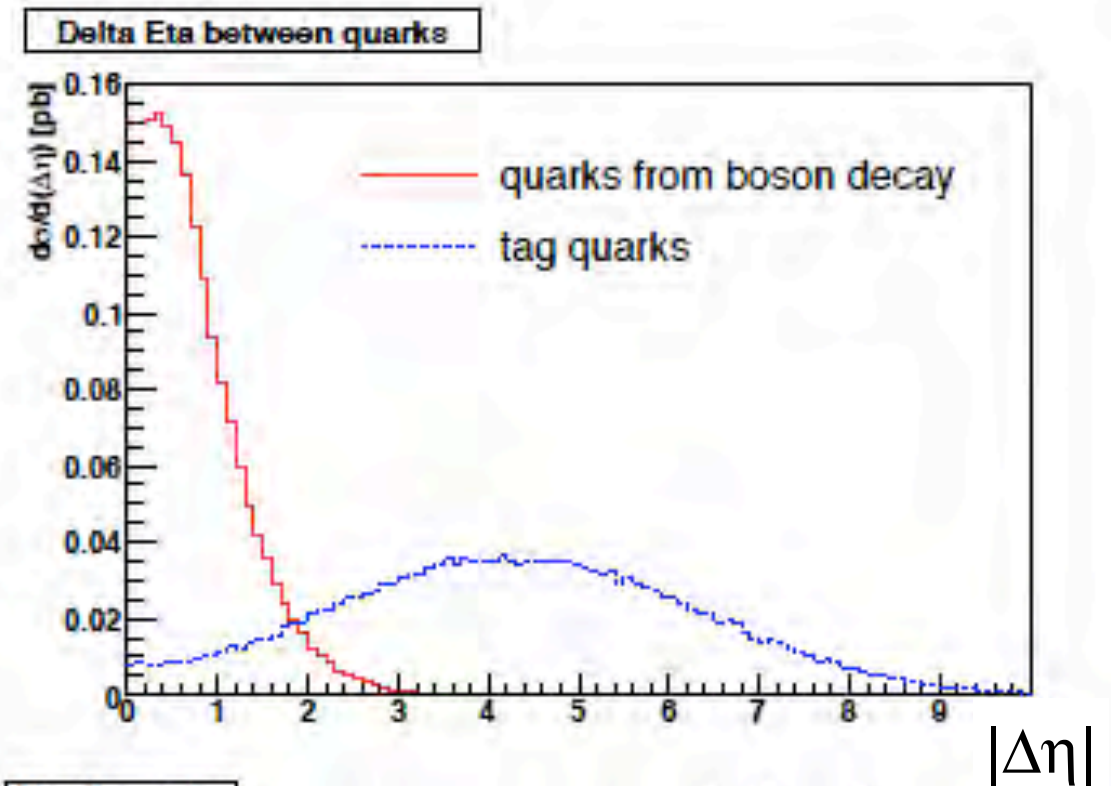
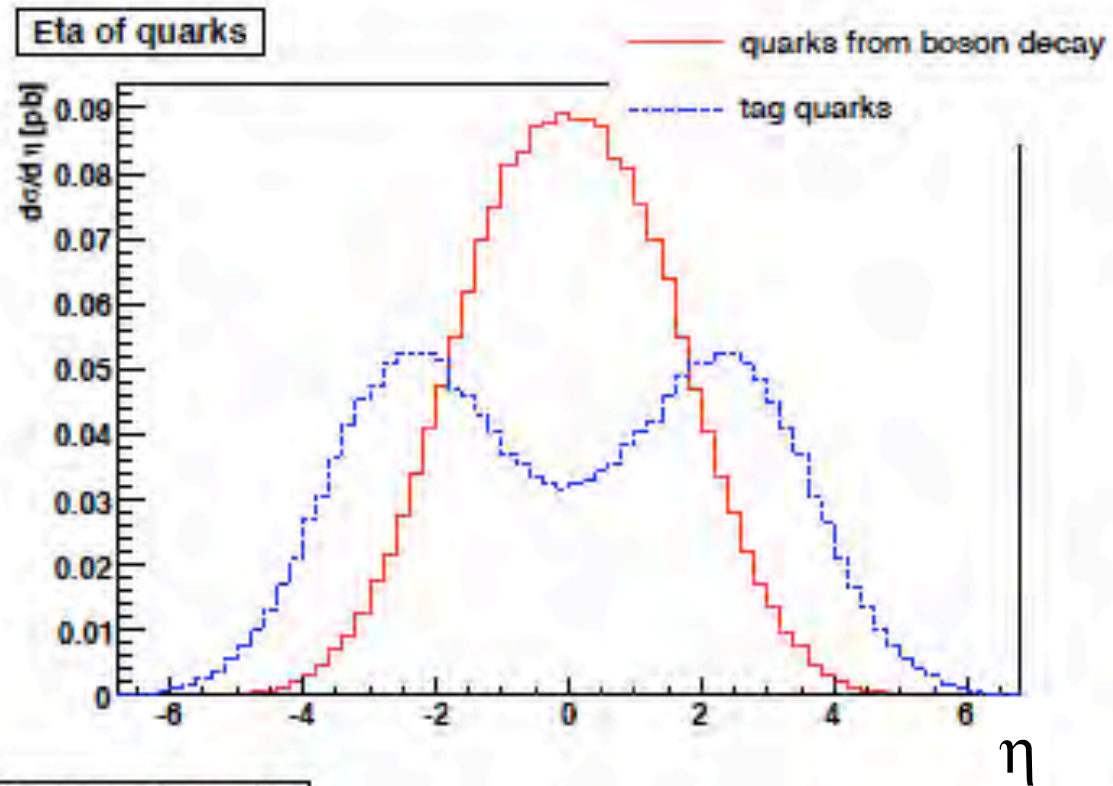
The two tag jets naturally define the region where no activity is expected



$$z_i^* = \frac{z_i}{\Delta\eta} = \frac{\eta_i - \langle\eta\rangle}{\Delta\eta}$$

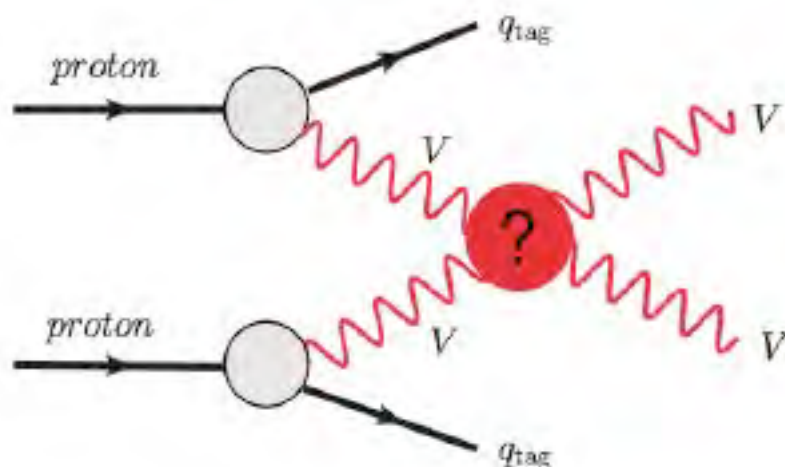
The Zeppenfeld variable: a translation and scaling of the (pseudo)rapidity to the reference given by the tag jets

Taken from “CMS-ATLAS VV scattering: any hope soon or reappraisal?” by P. Govoni (CERN) at LHC results for TeV-scale physics, CERN, (August 2011):

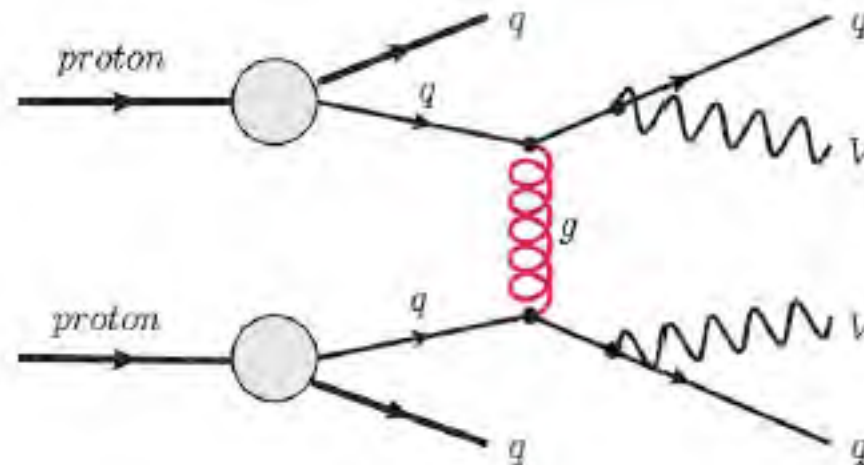


From [arXiv:hep-ph/0512219v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0512219v2)

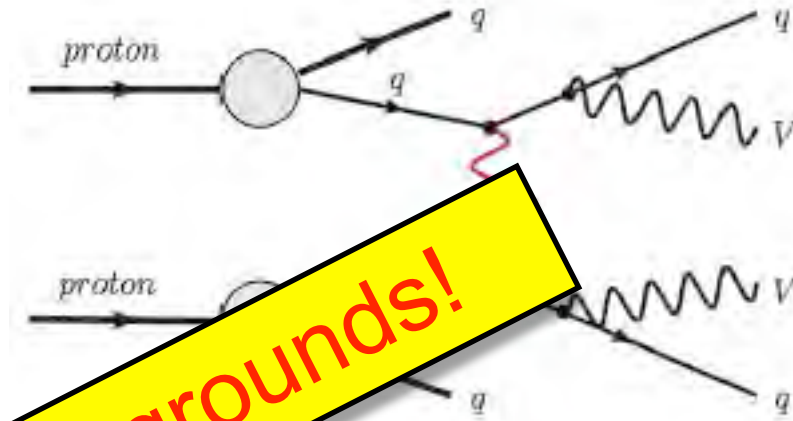
Signal and background processes



Signal: resonance



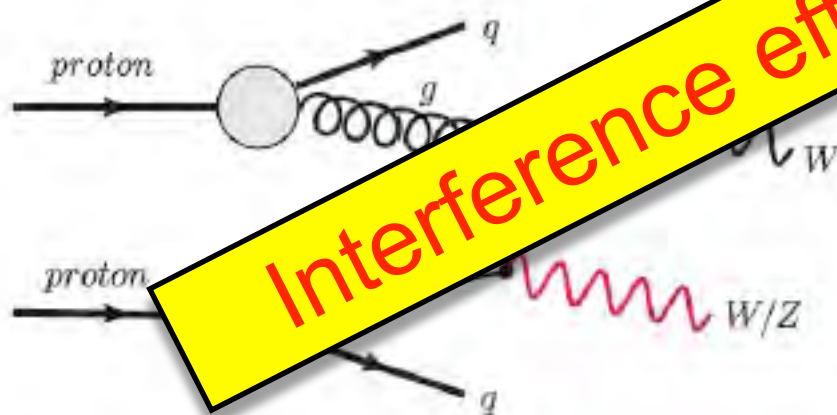
Irreducible BG: QCD



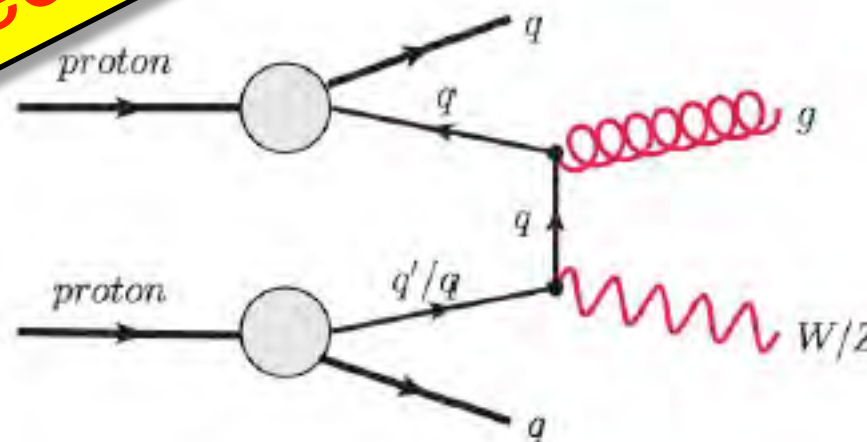
Irreducible BG: EWK

Also all SM triple and quartic boson (except Higgs) included

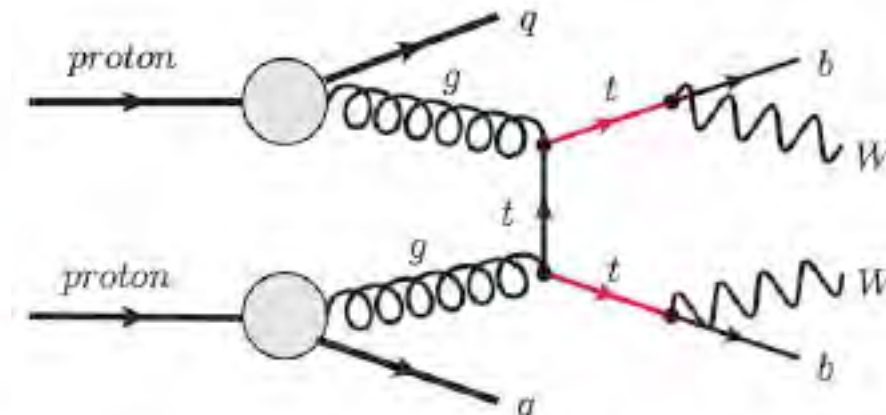
Interference effects between signal and backgrounds!



Single top (Wt)



W/Z + jets



Top pairs (tt)



VBF theoretical tools



- **VV2H** [M. Spira]: only t-channel, NLO QCD <http://people.web.psi.ch/spira/vv2h/>
- **VBFNLO** [D. Zeppenfeld et al.]: only t-channel, NLO QCD + NLO EW arXiv:1107.4038
- **MCFM** [J. M. Campbell, R. K. Ellis, C. Williams]: only t-channel, NLO QCD hep-ph/0403194
- **HAWK** [M. Ciccolini, A. Denner, A. Dittmaier, A. Mück]: NLO QCD and NLO EW, s- and t-channel (s-channel can be switched off), CPS reweighting arXiv:0707.0381
- **VBF@NNLO** [P. Bolzoni, F. Maltoni, S.-O. Moch, M. Zaro] only t-channel, CPS reweighting arXiv:1003.4451
- **POWHEG** [C. Oleari, P. Nason]: only t-channel, NLO QCD + PS, CPS reweighting arXiv:0911.5299
- **aMC@NLO** [S. Frixione et al.] t-channel only, s-channel can be included *paper to appear*
- **Sherpa**: [F. Krauss et al.] automatically includes s-channel <https://sherpa.hepforge.org/trac/wiki>
- **PHANTOM**: [A. Ballestrero, E. Maina et al.] full calculation @ LO for six fermions final state arXiv:0801.3359
- **Pythia/Fortran-Herwig**: only t-channel

Taken from “LHC Higgs Cross Section WG: VBF Status Report” by P. Govoni (CERN)
at the 7th meeting of the LHC cross-section WG (December 2012):

VBF final states

- According to the vector bosons' decays we have a multitude of possible final states. We can group them in

- **Fully leptonic**

- $pp \rightarrow qq \ell\ell\ell\ell$ ($\ell = \mu, e$)
- $pp \rightarrow qq \ell\ell\ell\nu$
- $pp \rightarrow qq \ell\ell\nu\nu$

Clean

Can reconstruct m_{VV} (not with 2ν)

Very low yields..

- **Semi-leptonic**

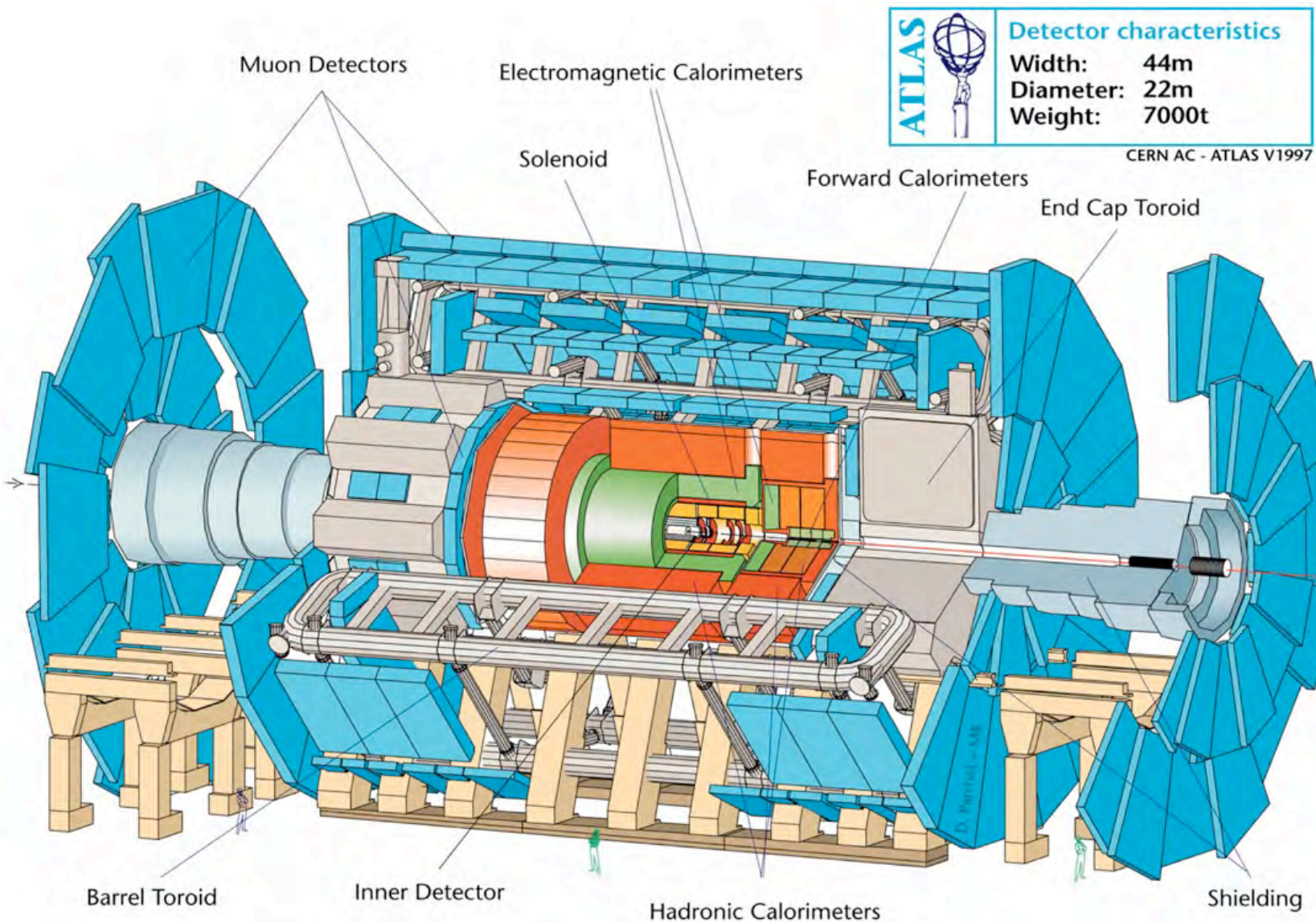
- $pp \rightarrow qq \text{ jetjet } \ell\ell$
- $pp \rightarrow qq \text{ jetjet } \ell\nu$

Better yields..

Detector needs

Excellent lepton ID, energy resolution, hermeticity, jet tagging at high η

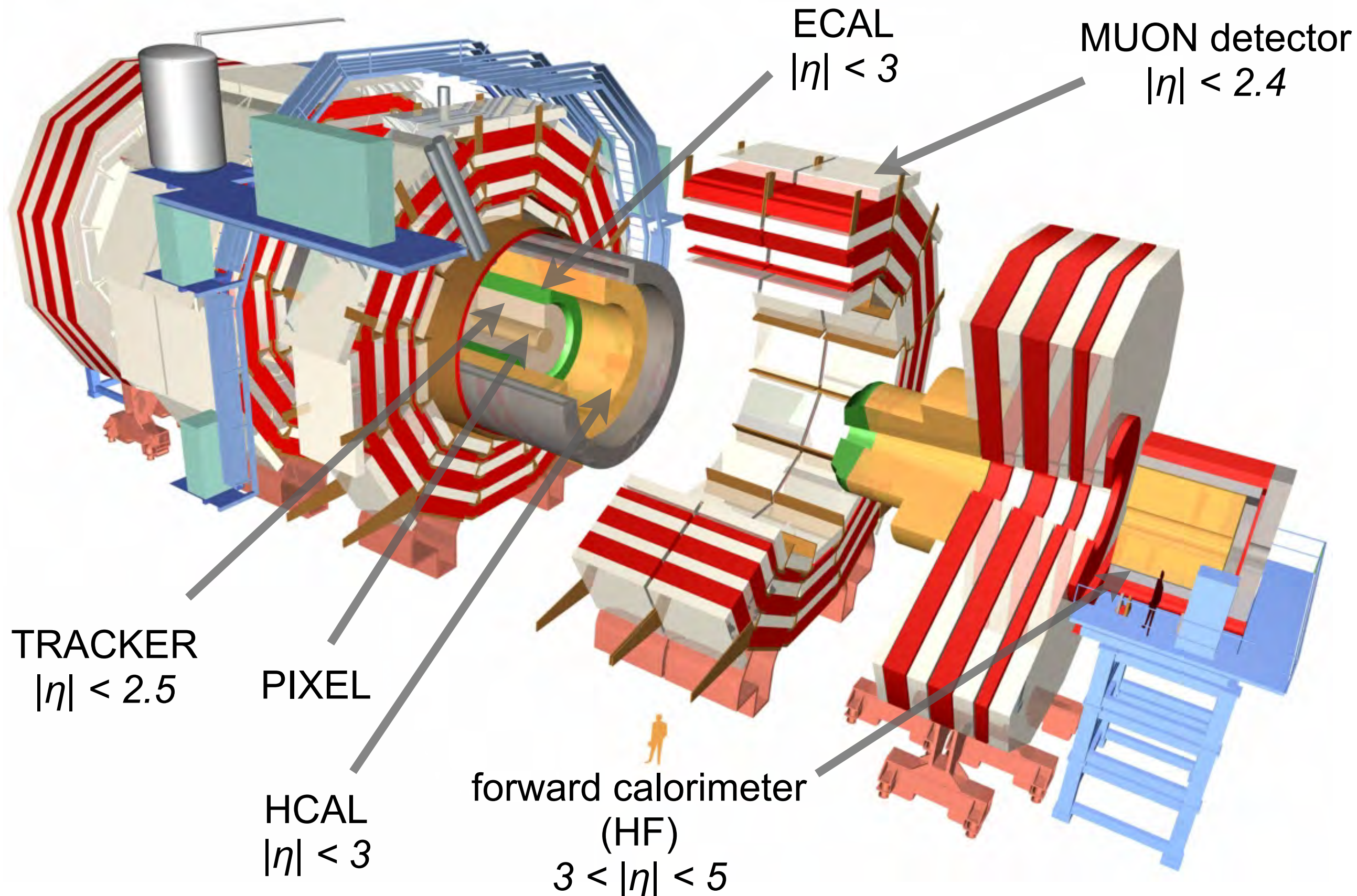
The ATLAS detector



- *Tracking and muon coverage: $|\eta| < 2.5$*
- *Calorimeter with presamplers: $|\eta| < 1.8$*
- *Forward calorimeters: $3.2 < |\eta| < 5.9$*

- *e/γ energy resolution:*
 $\sigma/E \approx 10-15/\sqrt{E} \oplus \sim 1\%$
- *Central jet energy resolution*
 $\sigma/E \approx 60/\sqrt{E} \oplus 3\%$
- *Missing $E_{x,y}$ resolution*
 $\sigma \approx 0.55 \text{ GeV} \times \sqrt{(\sum E_T)}$
- *Track inverse- p_T resolution*
 $\sigma_{\{1/p_T\}} \approx 35 \text{ TeV}^{-1} \times (1 \oplus 50/p_T)$
- *Muon system standalone p_T resolution*
 $\sigma/p_T < 10\% \text{ up to } 1 \text{ TeV}$

The CMS detector



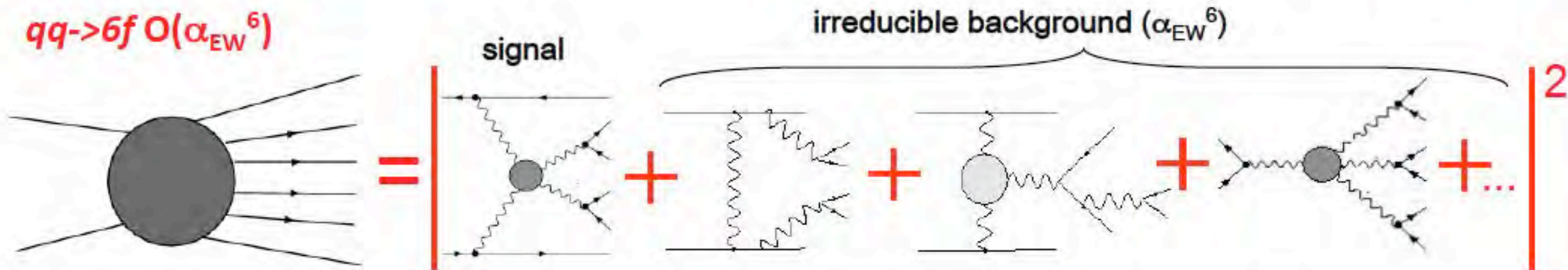
VV scattering: interference effects

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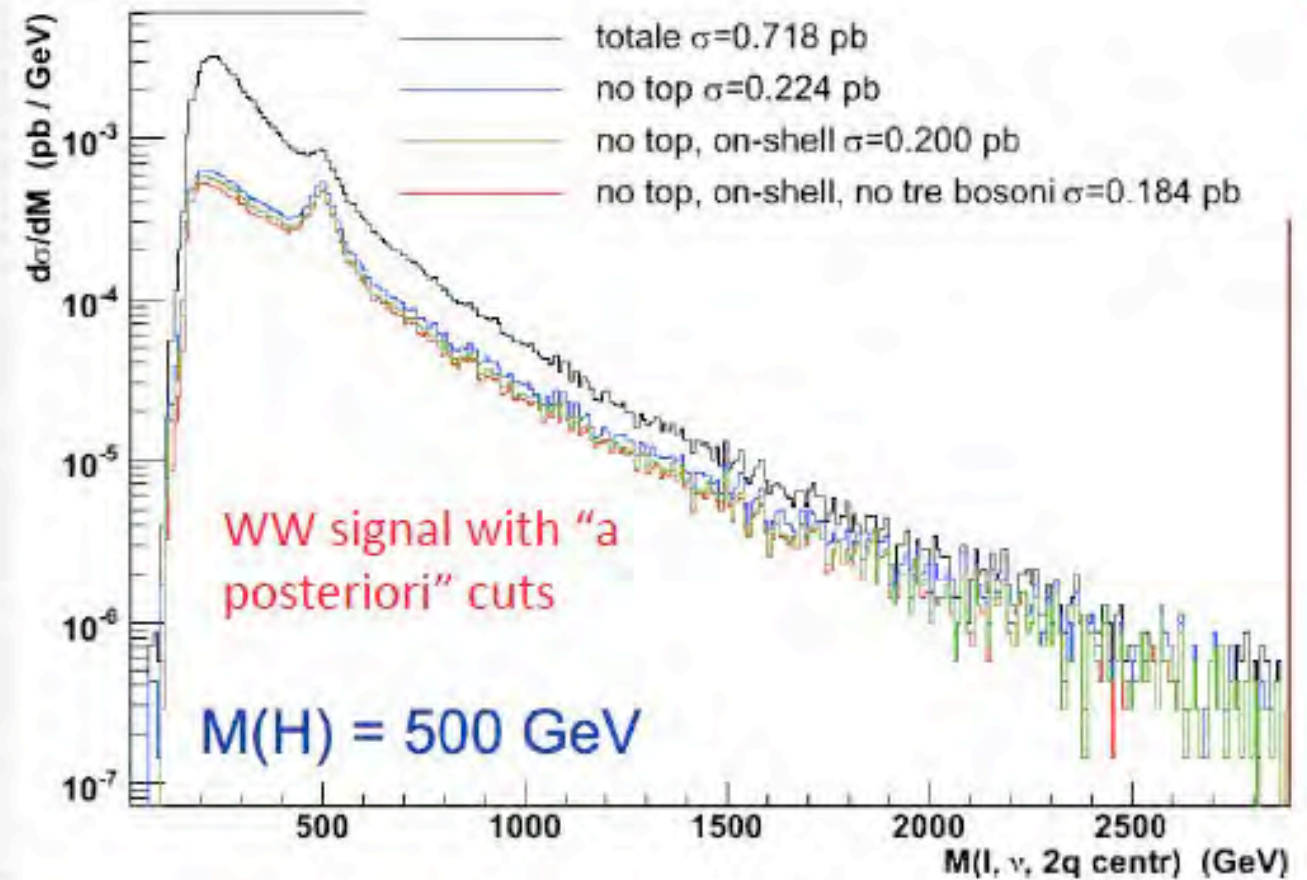
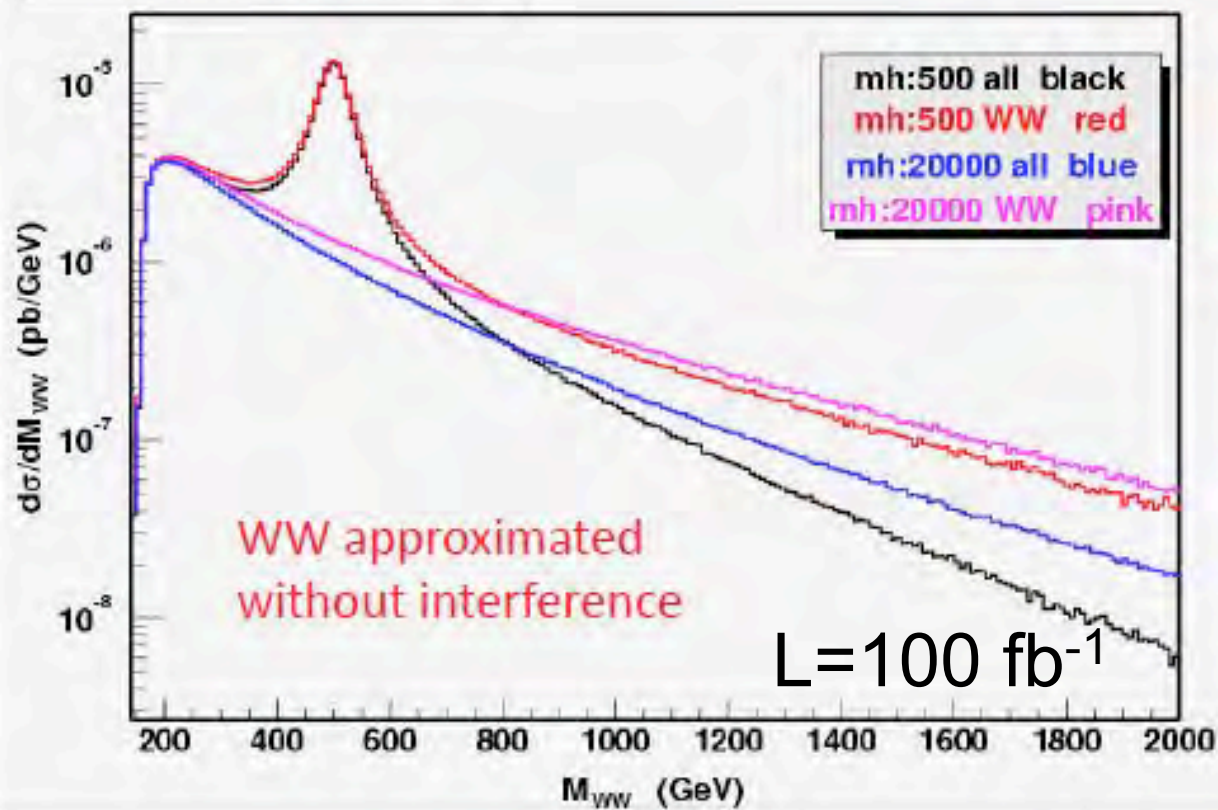
Accomando, Ballestrero, Bolognesi, Maina, Mariotti

Big interference effects considered only in **Phantom**

$qq \rightarrow 6f \mathcal{O}(\alpha_{EW}^6)$

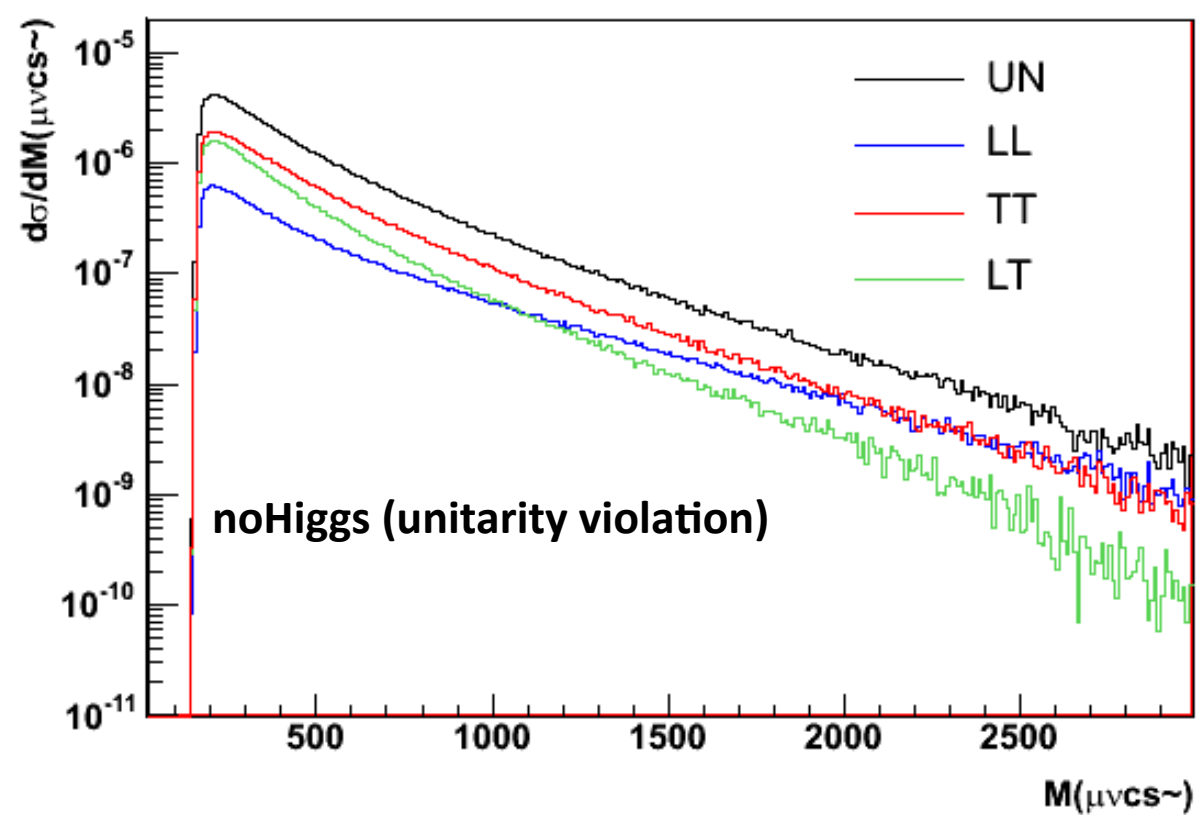
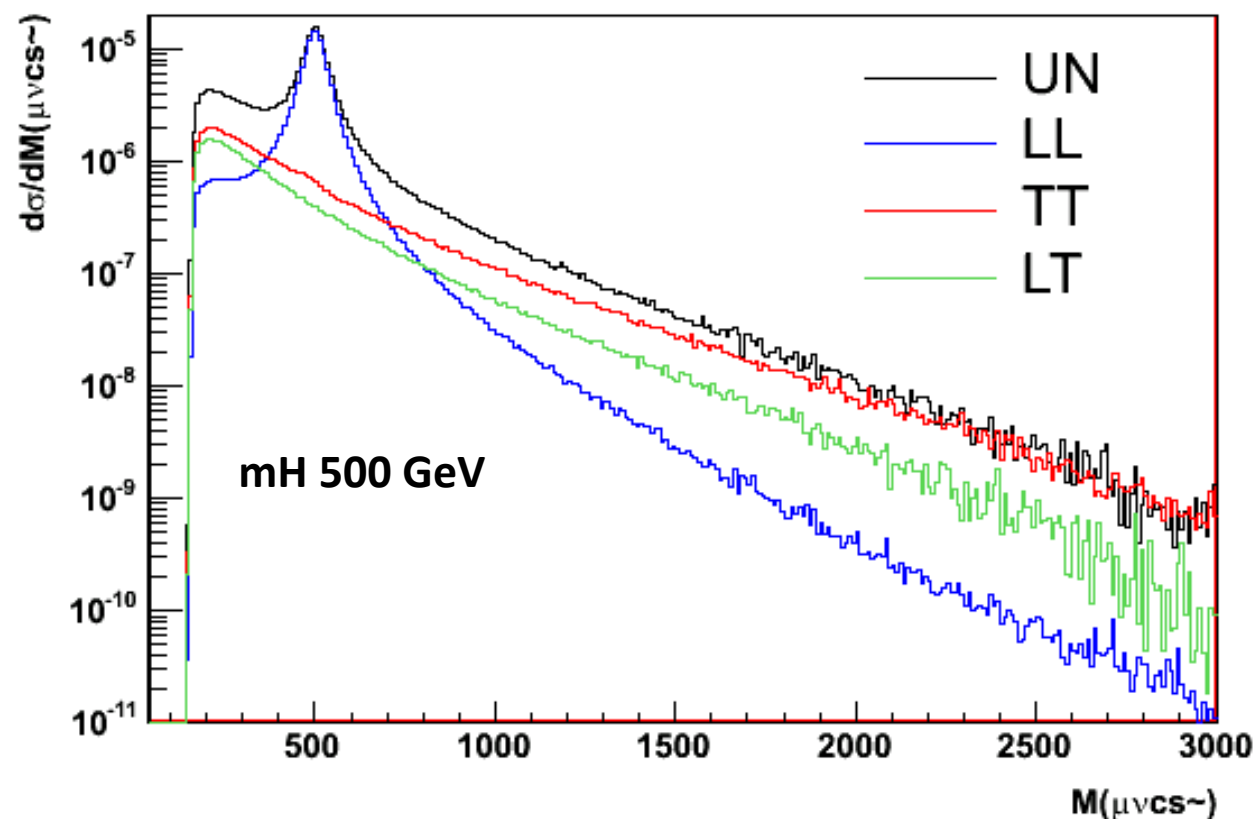


reconstructed WW mass



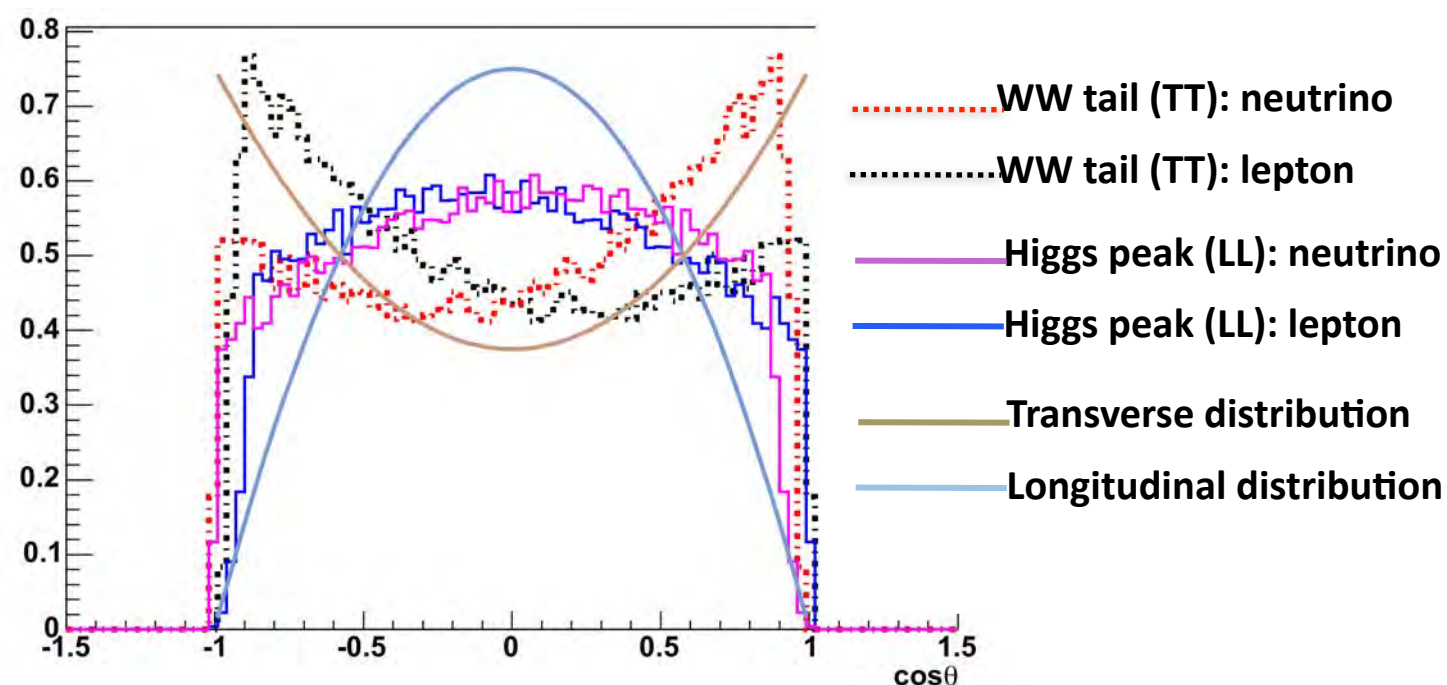
Longitudinal vs Transversal

Contrary to what one expects LL does not dominate at high m_{VV}



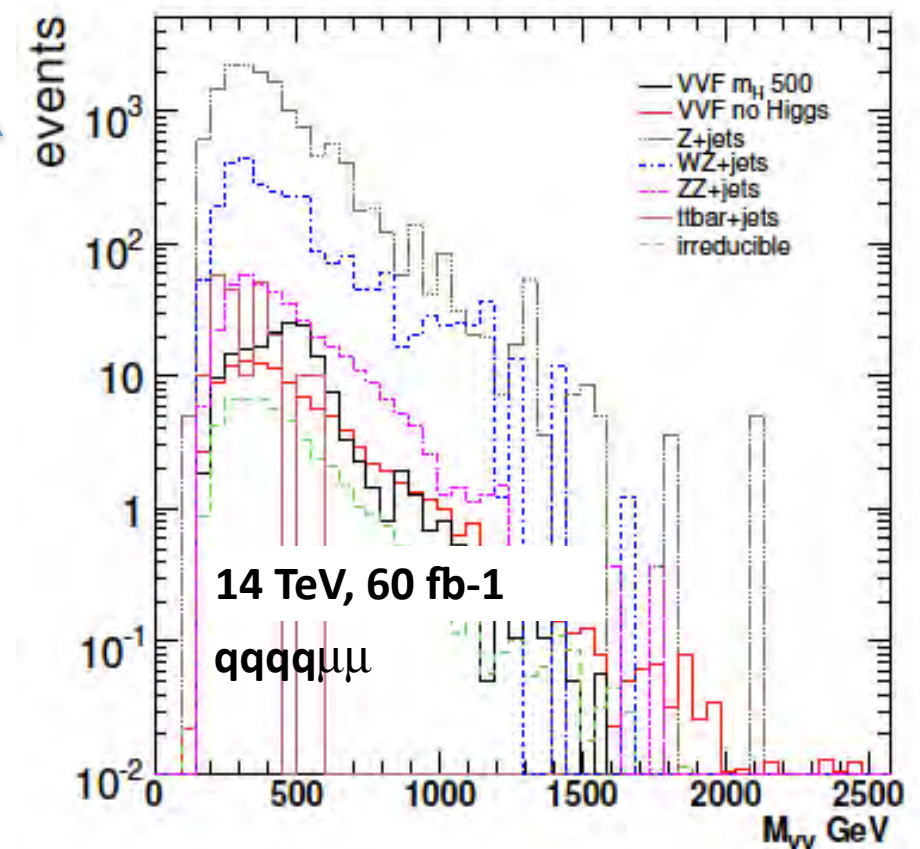
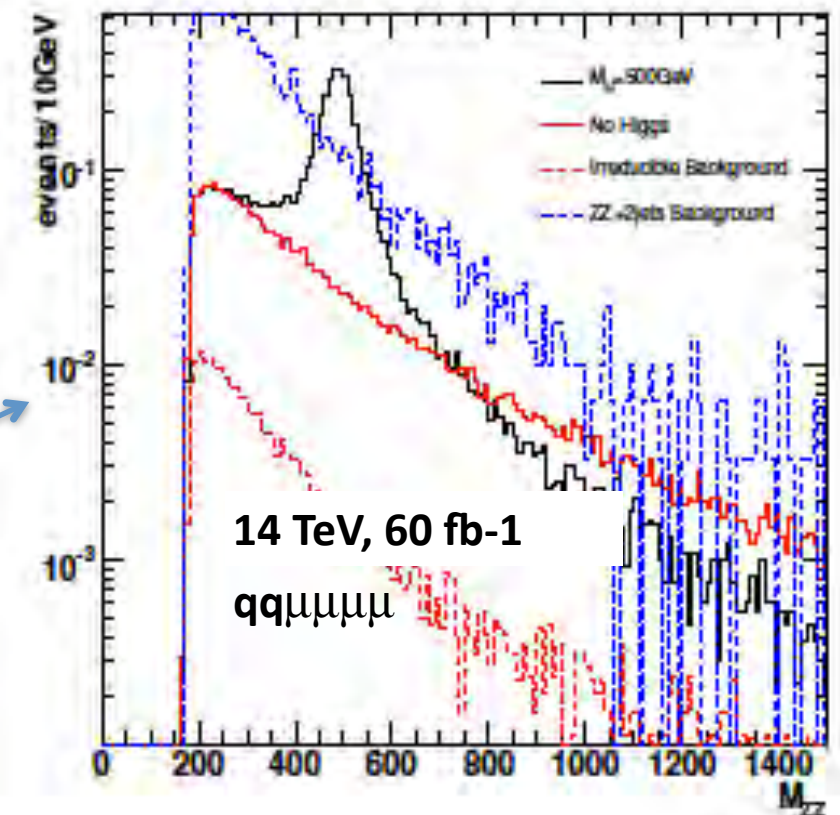
Angular analysis can boost LL-TT separation (new!)

partonic study in the center
of mass of W

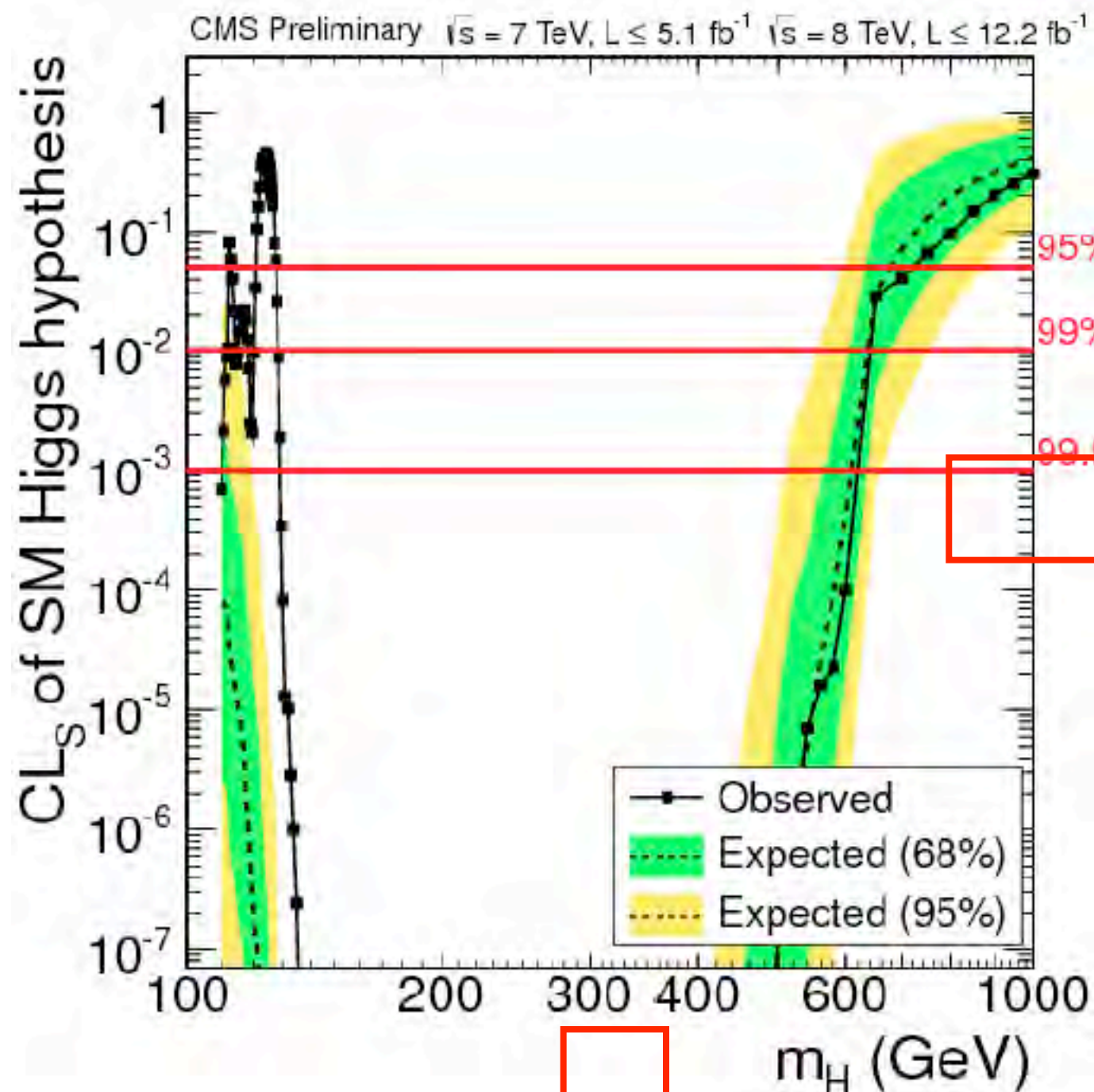


Same issues (as Higgs search and) as expected in VV scattering search

- **fully leptonic**: much lower stat, much cleaner
uncertainty on **VV+2j** production
- **semileptonic**: larger yields, huge background
V+jets control
high VV mass \rightarrow boosted V \rightarrow **jet merging**
- first look at **fully hadronic** final state ongoing
SUSY-like discriminators (eg, Razor)



News from experiments?



Some dedicated VBF analyses ($H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$,
 $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu qq, 2l2\nu$) already started

higher mass

BSM search for **VV**
resonance @ 1 TeV
 (DY production)

→ studying **same final states as**
VV scattering

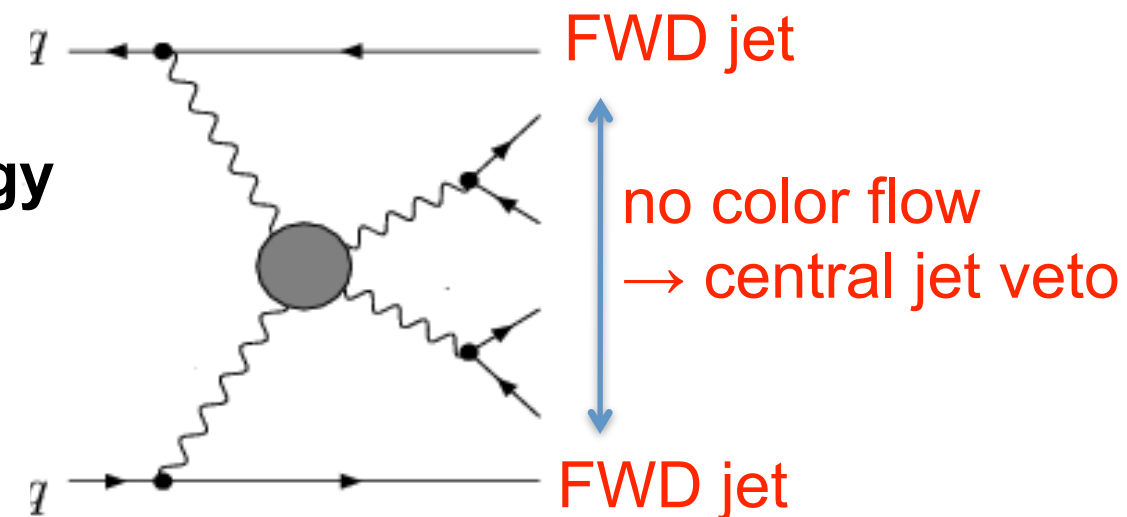
higher sensitivity

VBF dedicated search

→ characterization of **tag jets signature**

Starting to face issues related with tag jets topology and jet vetoing → very relevant for VV scattering:

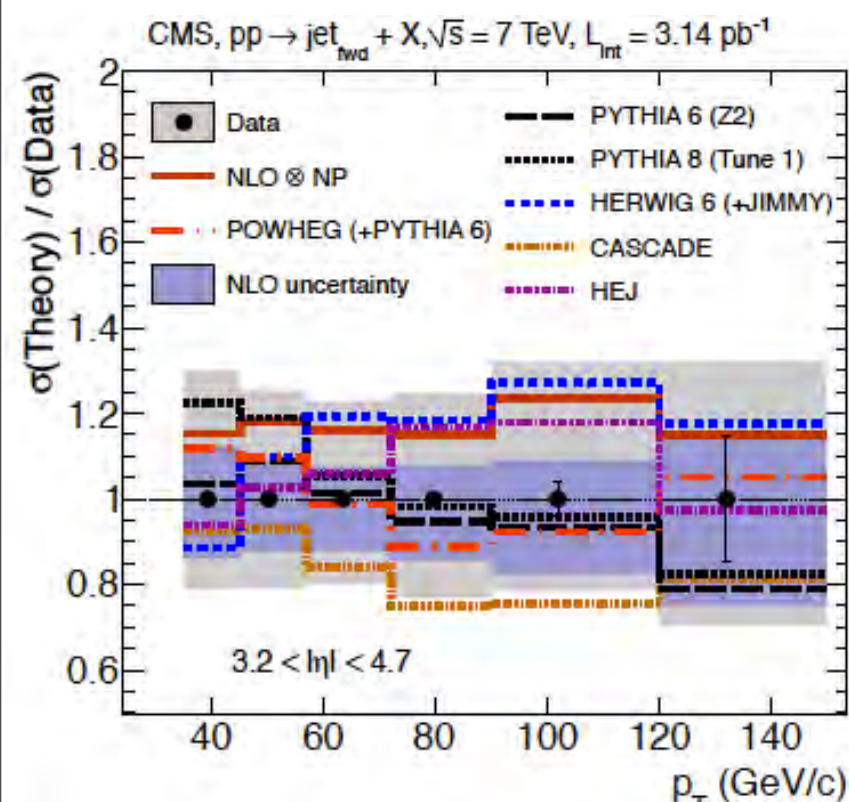
- control of **VV background in jet-multiplicity bins**
 - theoretical systematics (no control regions for ZZ, WW at high mass)
- **Z production in VBF**: a candle for jet tagging and jet veto efficiency?
 - (after feasibility) real data analysis ongoing
- MC tools to describe **FWD jets and gap events** → related with description of UE, MPI and QCD at wide angle
 - many useful measurements can be done **NOW** to constrain FWD jets modeling
 - TO BE REVIEWED WITH HIGHER PU



Fwd jets modelling

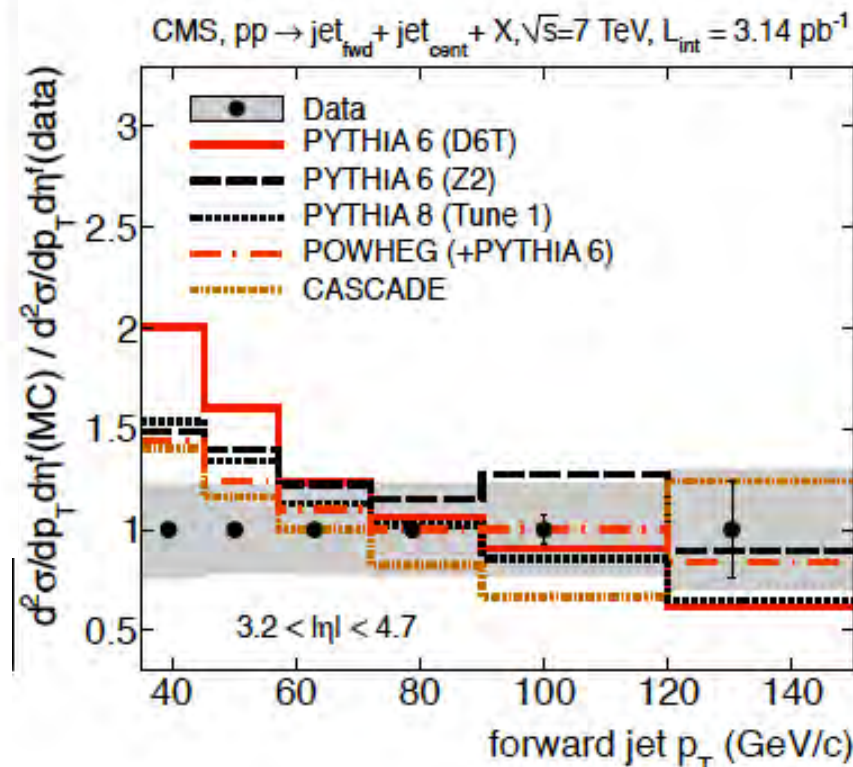
- ★ **Non-perturbative effects:**
 - energy lost from jets due to hadronisation
 - energy added to jets from UE

- ★ **FWD jet spectrum** ($|\eta|3.2-4.7$) with low PU events

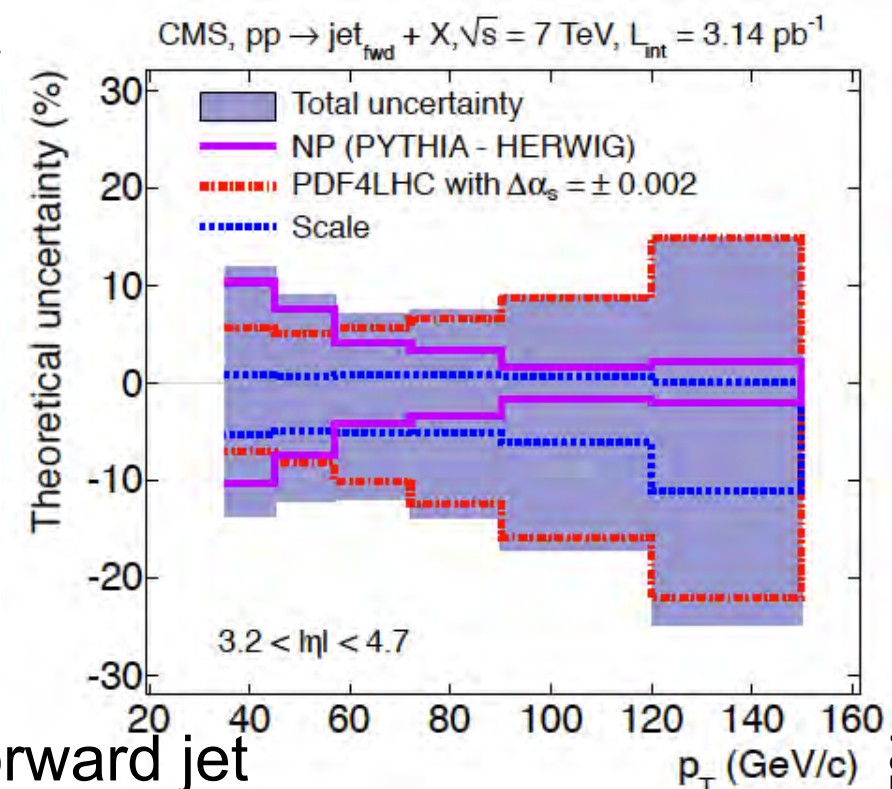


NLO+NP and Powheg+Pythia catch the dependence, not the xsec

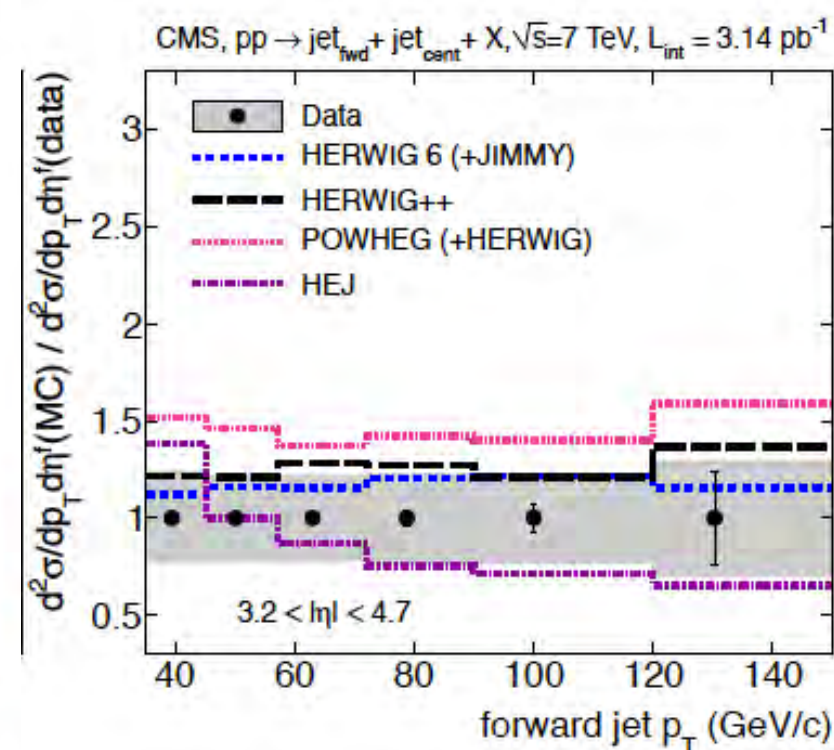
Pythia Z2 tuned to LHC UE



Herwig does a better job than pythia

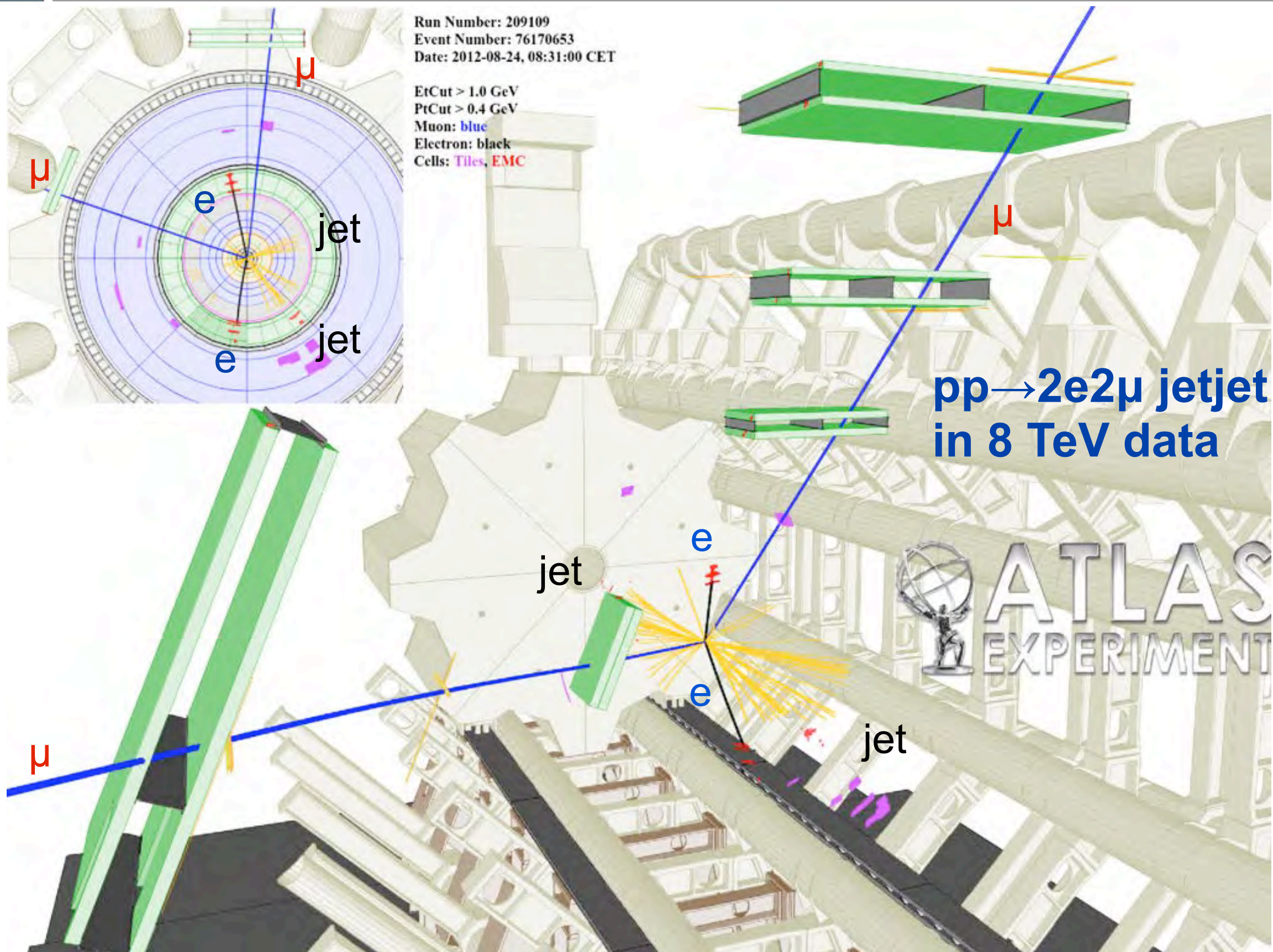


central + forward jet



- ★ useful also to commission detectors -> especially in view of pileup

VBF $2e2\mu$ candidate event



VV scattering: fully leptonic

Only background VV+jets, very low xsec

Number of events for 20 fb^{-1} (fully MC based, no systematics, 14 TeV)

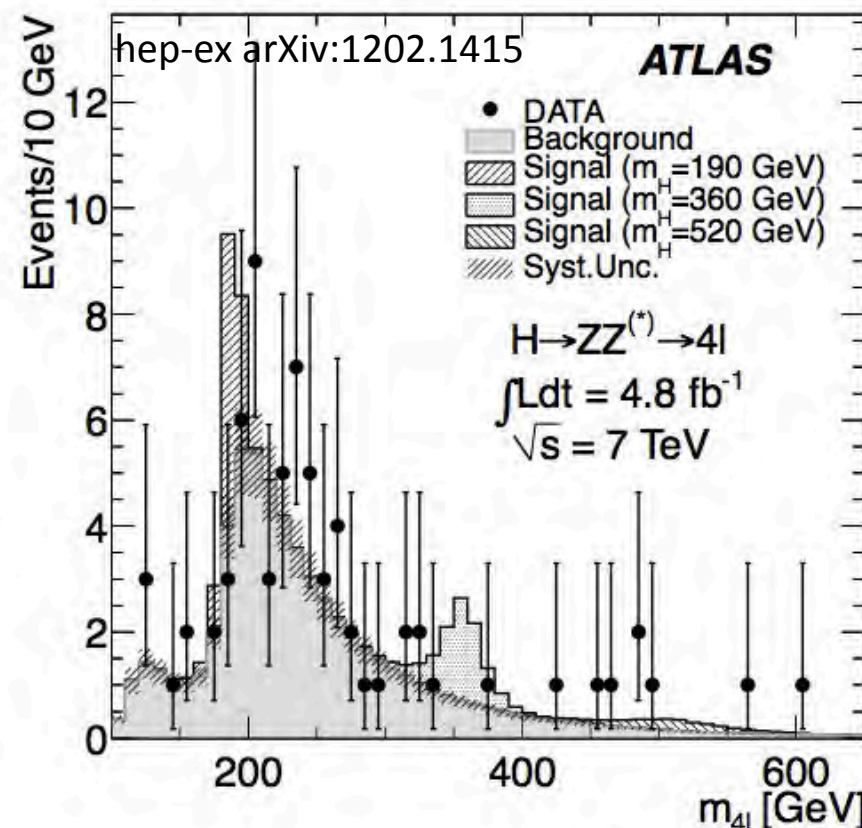
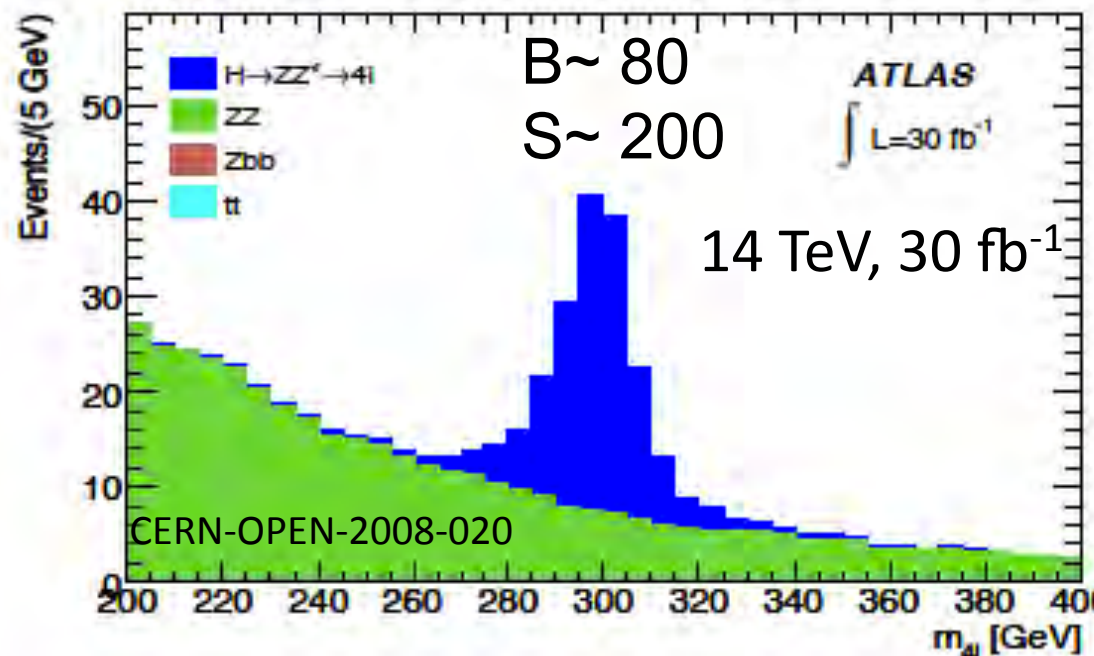
CMS ZZ->4e, 4μ	N signal	N back.
500 GeV	2.2	1.9
>1 TeV	0.1	0.2

CMS ZW->μμμν	N signal	N back.
>1 TeV	0.9	0.8

ATLAS ZZ->2l2ν	N signal	N back.
500 GeV	6.4	3.0

ATLAS ZW->lllν	N signal	N back.
500 GeV	8	5
1.1 TeV	1.4	0.4

Example: ggF Higgs 300 GeV



Latest results:

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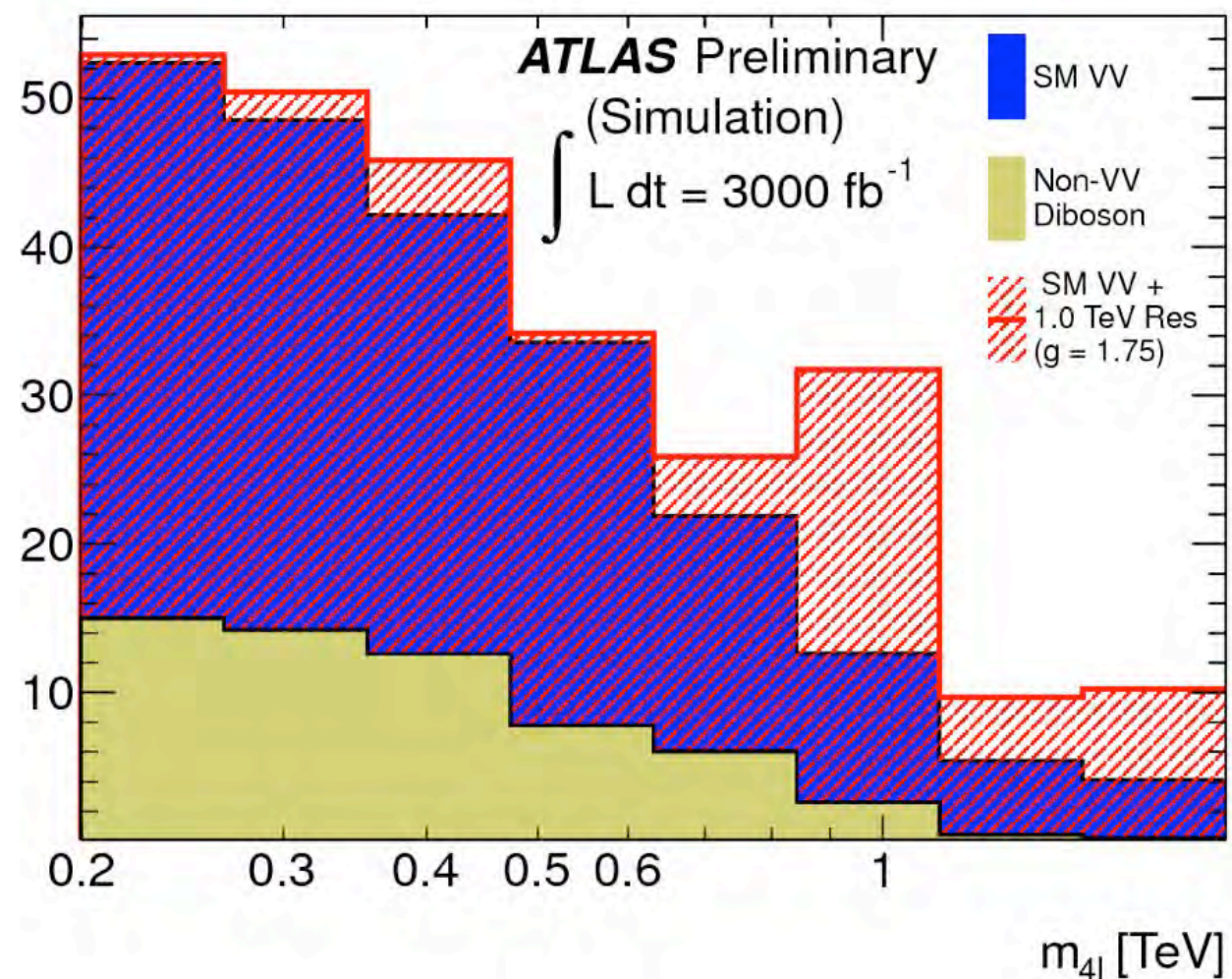
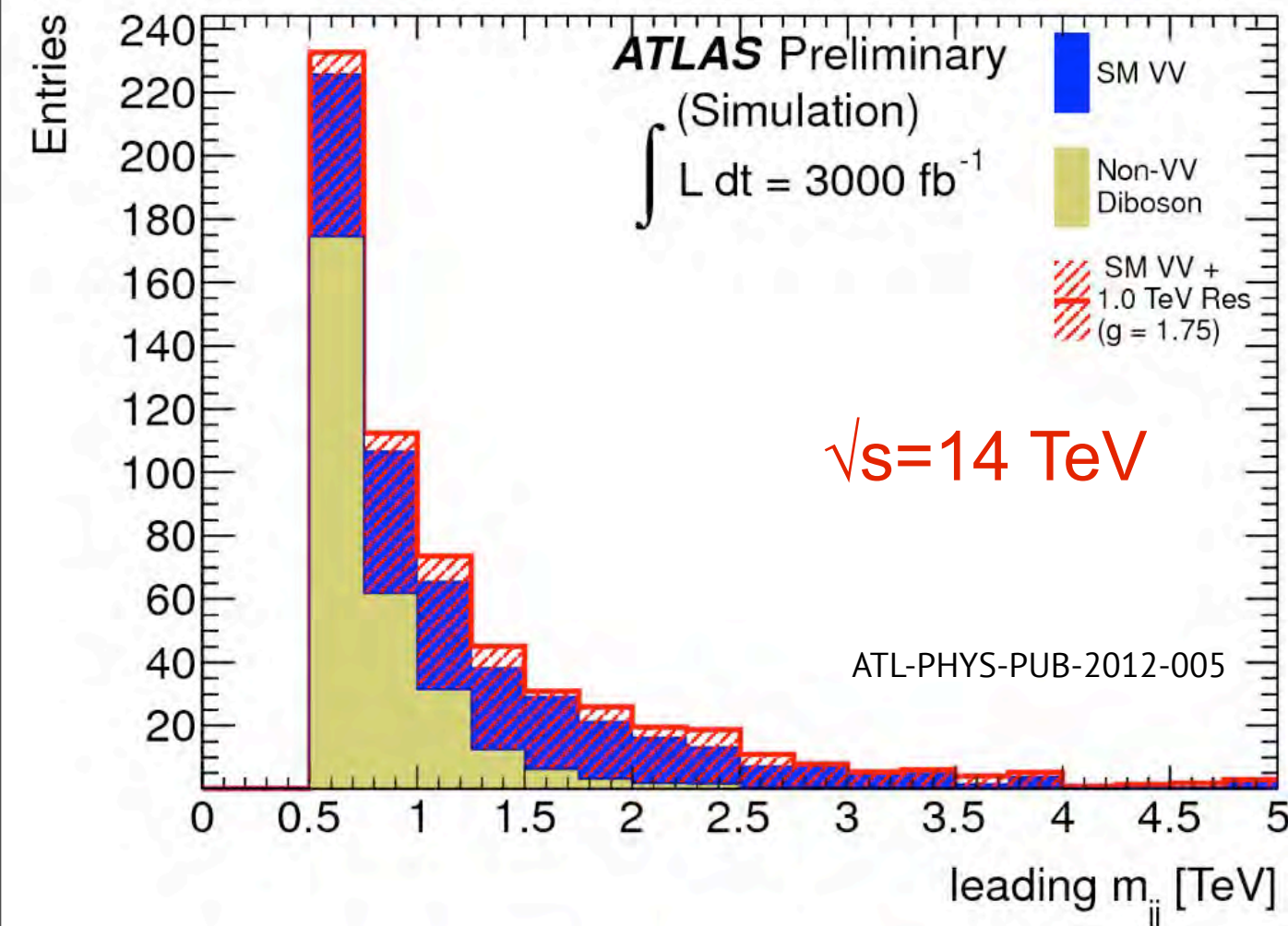
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- reso m_{4l} as expected
- improved reco-id efficiencies

(eg ele ID: TDR time 85-90% -> today 95%)

ZZ resonance

$pp \rightarrow ZZ + 2j \rightarrow 4\ell + 2j$ channel



model	300 fb^{-1}	3000 fb^{-1}
$m_{\text{resonance}} = 500 \text{ GeV}, g = 1.0$	2.4σ	7.5σ
$m_{\text{resonance}} = 1 \text{ TeV}, g = 1.75$	1.7σ	5.5σ
$m_{\text{resonance}} = 1 \text{ TeV}, g = 2.5$	3.0σ	9.4σ

Sensitivity to anomalous ZZ resonances in Vector boson scattering

Semileptonic is most promising: reasonable signal yield

Number of events for 20 fb^{-1} (fully MC based, no systematics, 14 TeV)

$WV \rightarrow l\nu jj$

ATLAS	N sign.	N back.
500 GeV	6.2	16
800 GeV	13	17
1.1 TeV	4.8	9.2

CMS	N sign.	N back.
500 GeV	337	20759
>1 TeV	45	3281

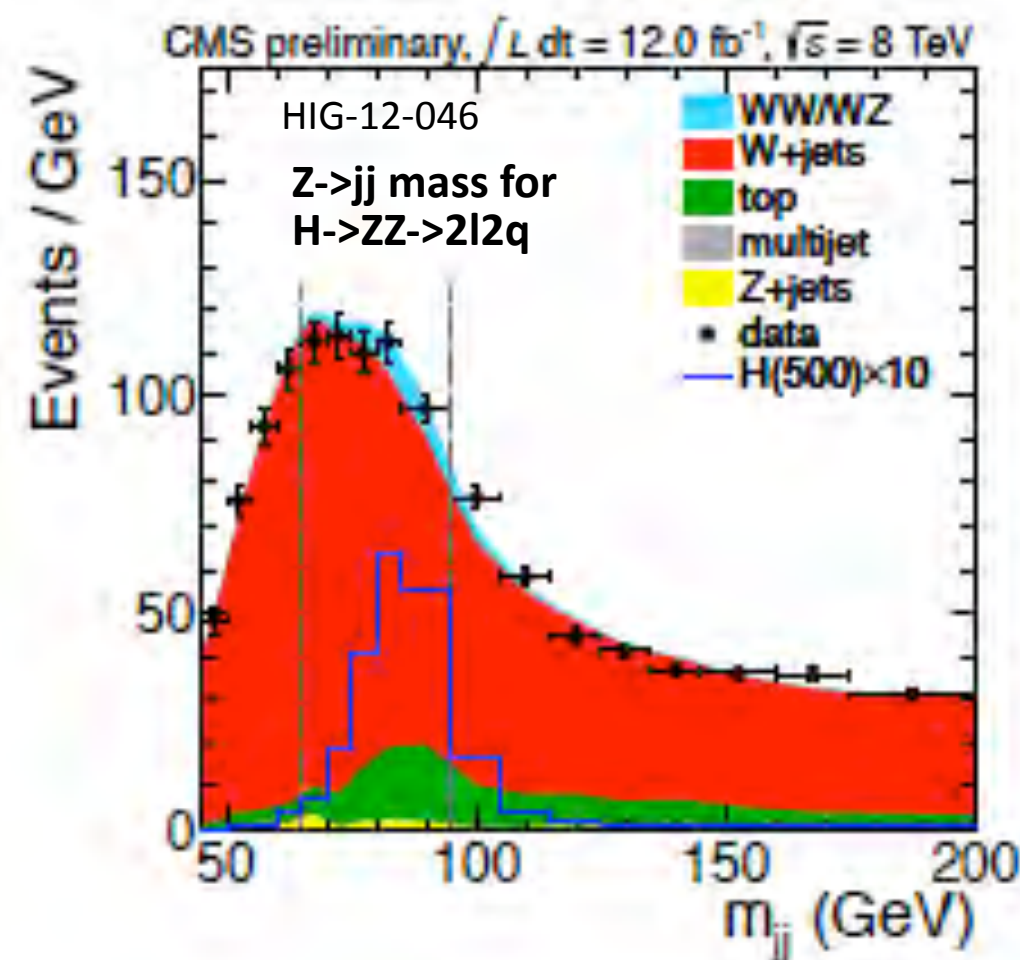
$ZV \rightarrow lljj$

CMS	N sign.	N back.
500 GeV	62	3415
>1 TeV	5	348

For recent inclusive Higgs search:

- more sophisticated analysis developed (btag categories, angular analyses, $m_{jj} = m_Z$ kinematic fit)
- data driven background

Improved JES: m_{jj} reso from 20-25% to 10-15% !





Summary



- VV scattering is an essential process to verify EWSB
- It can shed light on the structure of the Higgs boson
- Challenging both theoretically (interference effects) and experimentally (small yields, wide pseudorapidity coverage, many channels)
- Both ATLAS and CMS have performed studies, but these will need to be re-visited and improved
- Some scenarios can be investigated with $L \geq 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ of data at $\sqrt{s}=13\text{-}14$ TeV. Other scenarios (like SILH) will require even more luminosity.
- HL-LHC should be able to provide answers to most benchmark cases.

Backup

EWSB and the W, Z masses

$$L_{gauge} = -\frac{1}{4}W_{\mu\nu}^i W^{\mu\nu i} - \frac{1}{4}B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \cancel{\frac{1}{2}m^2 W_{\mu\nu}^i W^{\mu\nu i}} + \cancel{\frac{1}{2}m^2 B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} W_{\mu\nu}^i = \partial_\nu W_\mu^i - \partial_\mu W_\nu^i + g\epsilon^{ijk}W_\mu^j W_\nu^k \\ B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\nu B_\mu - \partial_\mu B_\nu \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{SU(2)} \\ \times \\ \text{U(1)} \end{array}$$

Gauge invariance



scalar potential ($\lambda > 0, \mu < 0$) $V(\Phi) = \mu^2 |\Phi^+ \Phi| + \lambda (\Phi^+ \Phi)^2$

complex scalar doublet of SU(2) $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$

with minimum (= empty state) at (v = empty expectation value)

$\langle \Phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix}$ or $\langle \Phi \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{SU(2)}$

generic Gauge

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\frac{\omega^i \tau^i}{2v}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v+h \end{pmatrix}$$

1 physical scalar field $\langle h \rangle = 0$

3 Goldstone bosons ω_i

4 Gauge fields W_μ^i, B_μ

Gauge unitario

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

1 physical scalar field \rightarrow Higgs

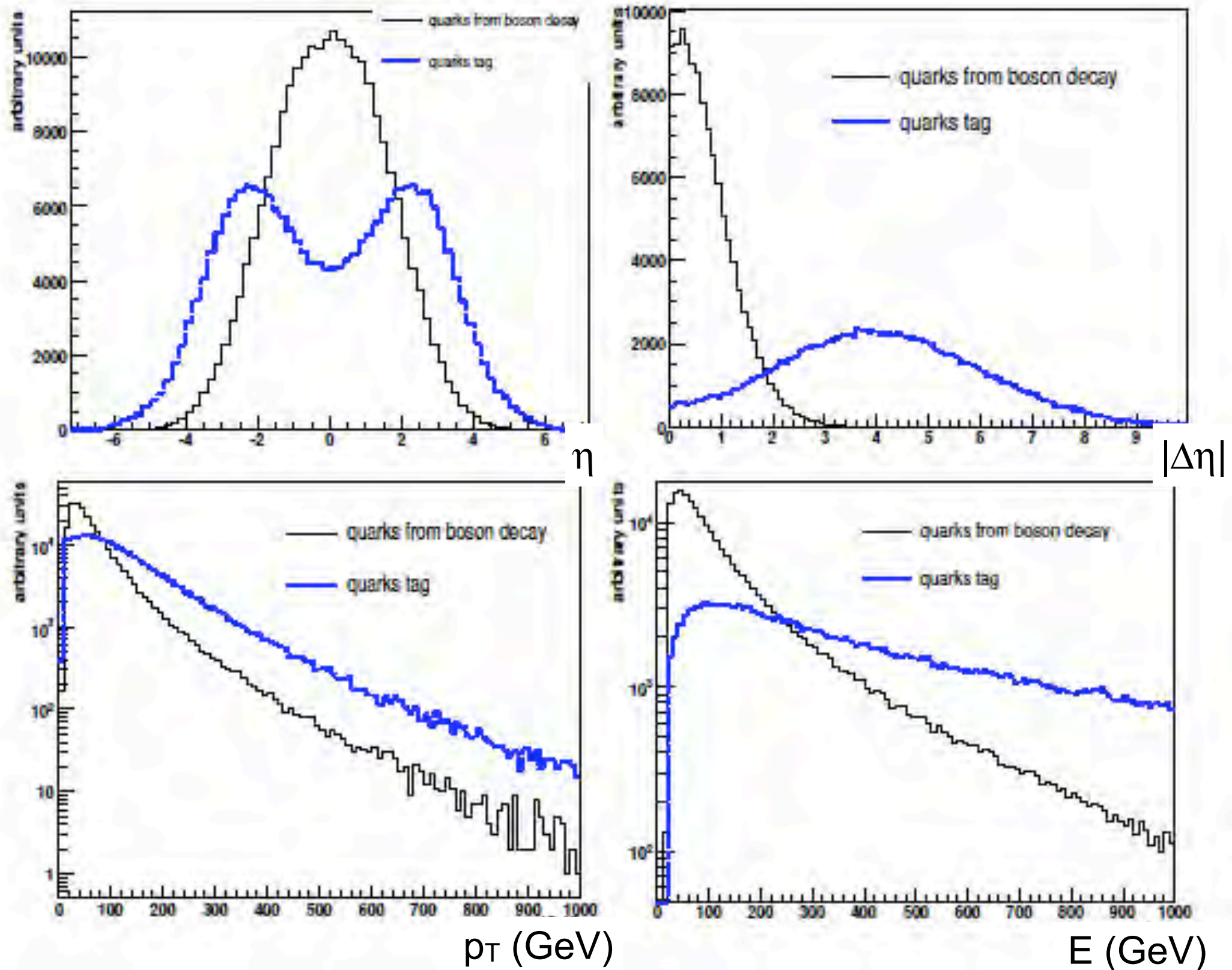
4 Gauge fields combined into known vector bosons:
W, Z with mass, photon massless

$$W_\mu^\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (W_\mu^1 \mp iW_\mu^2) \quad M_W^2 = \frac{1}{4} g^2 v^2$$

$$Z^\mu = \frac{-g'B_\mu + gW_\mu^3}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} \quad M_Z^2 = \frac{1}{4} (g^2 + g'^2) v^2$$

$$A^\mu = \frac{-gB_\mu + g'W_\mu^3}{\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}} \quad M_A^2 = 0 \quad \text{U(1)}_{EM}$$

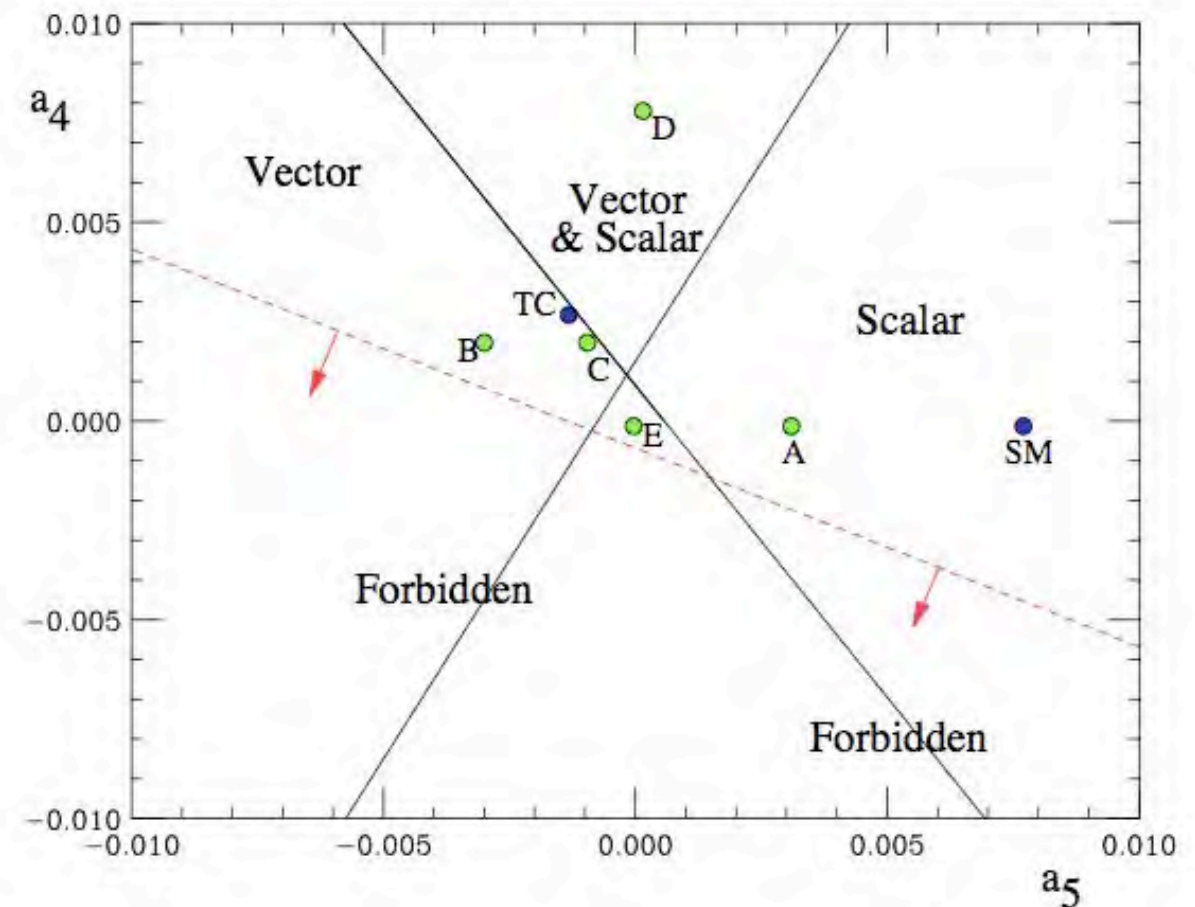
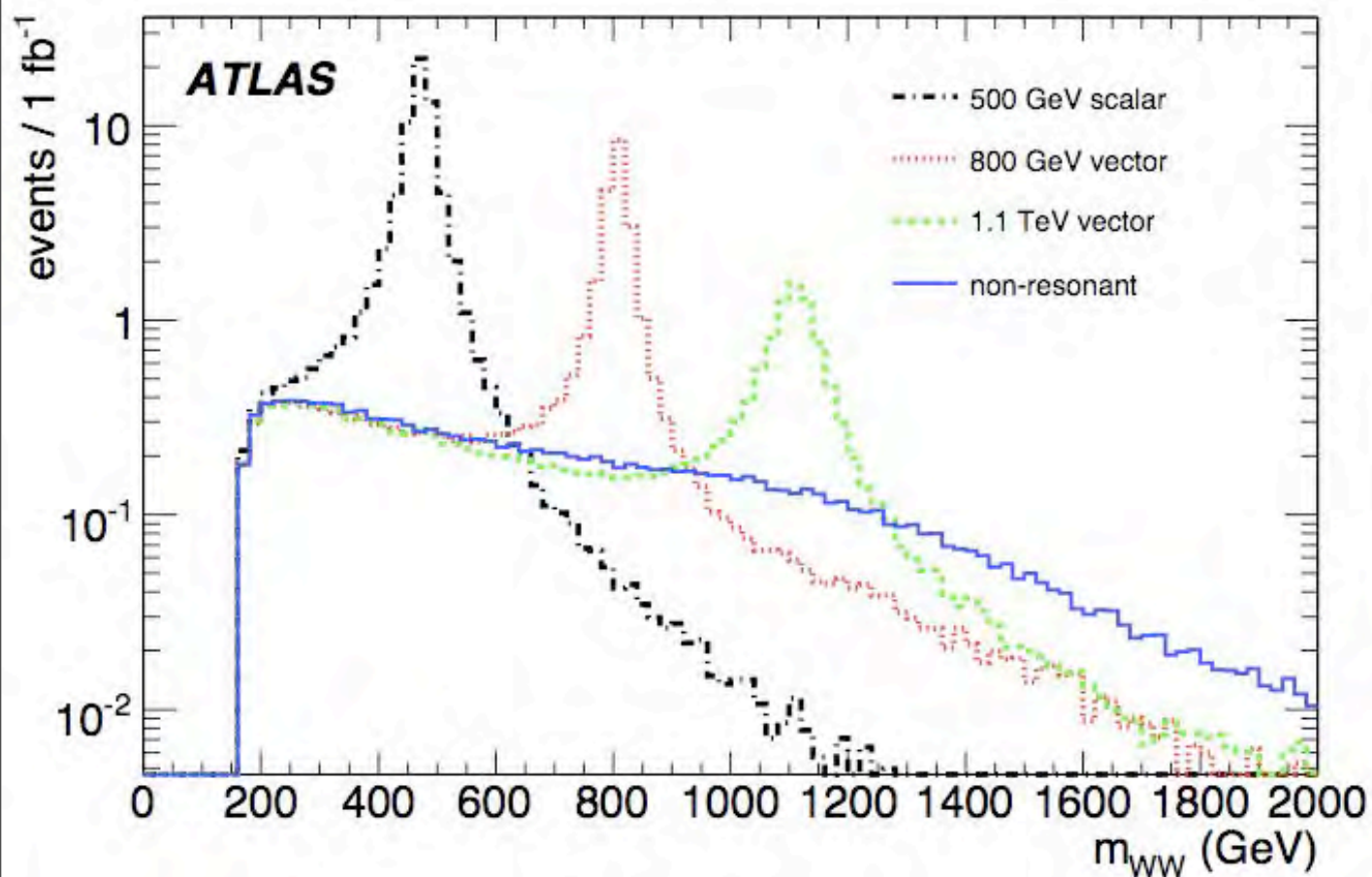
VBF signature



From CMS AN-2007/05, arXiv:0812.2564

VV resonances (EVBA studies)

- **Model-independent** treatment of physics below some scale Λ : electroweak chiral Lagrangian with Padé unitarization
- Tested different possibilities
- Special attention to **semi-leptonic processes**: $qqH \rightarrow VV \rightarrow jjX$



J.M. Butterworth et al., “WW scattering at LHC”, arXiv:hep-ph/0201098v1

The ATLAS Collaboration et al., “Expected Performance of the ATLAS Experiment Detector, Trigger and Physics”, CERN-OPEN-2008-02

Channel considered

Sample name	Generator	$\sigma \times Br, \text{fb}$
$qqWZ \rightarrow qqjj\ell\ell, m = 500 \text{ GeV}$	PYTHIA-73	25.2
$qqWZ \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, m = 500 \text{ GeV}$	PYTHIA-73	83.9
$qqWZ \rightarrow qq\ell\nu\ell\ell, m = 500 \text{ GeV}$	PYTHIA-73	8.0
$qqWZ \rightarrow qqjj\ell\ell, m = 800 \text{ GeV}$	PYTHIA-ChL	10.5
$qqWZ \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, m = 800 \text{ GeV}$	PYTHIA-ChL	35.2
$qqWZ \rightarrow qq\ell\nu\ell\ell, m = 800 \text{ GeV}$	PYTHIA-ChL	3.4
$qqWZ \rightarrow qqjj\ell\ell, m = 1.1 \text{ TeV}$	PYTHIA-ChL	3.7
$qqWZ \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, m = 1.1 \text{ TeV}$	PYTHIA-ChL	12.3
$qqWZ \rightarrow qq\ell\nu\ell\ell, m = 1.1 \text{ TeV}$	PYTHIA-ChL	1.18
$qqWW \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, m = 499 \text{ GeV (s)}$	PYTHIA-ChL	66.5
$qqWW \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, m = 821 \text{ GeV (s)}$	PYTHIA-ChL	27.5
$qqWW \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, m = 1134 \text{ GeV (s)}$	PYTHIA-ChL	17.0
$qqWW \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, m = 808 \text{ GeV (v)}$	PYTHIA-ChL	29.8
$qqWW \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, m = 1115 \text{ GeV (v)}$	PYTHIA-ChL	17.9
$qqWW \rightarrow qq\ell\nu jj, \text{non-resonant}$	PYTHIA-ChL	10.0
$qqZZ \rightarrow qq\nu\nu\ell\ell, m = 500 \text{ GeV}$	PYTHIA-ChL	4.0
$jjWZ \rightarrow jj\ell\nu\ell\ell, \text{background}$	MADGRAPH	96
$jjZZ \rightarrow jj\nu\nu\ell\ell, \text{background}$	MADGRAPH	45.5
		$\sigma \text{ (no Br), pb}$
$W^+ + 4 \text{ jets}$	MADGRAPH	165 ± 0.1
$Z + 4 \text{ jets}$	MADGRAPH	87 ± 0.7
$W^+ + 3 \text{ jets}$	MADGRAPH	6.2 ± 0.02
$Z + 3 \text{ jets}$	MADGRAPH	3.8 ± 0.02
$t\bar{t}$	MC@NLO	833 ± 100

$$\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$$

signals

backgrounds

Z in VBF as standard candle?

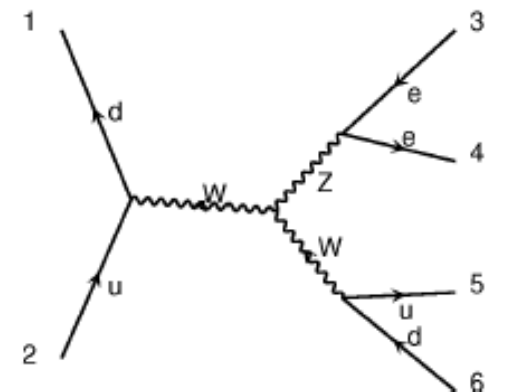
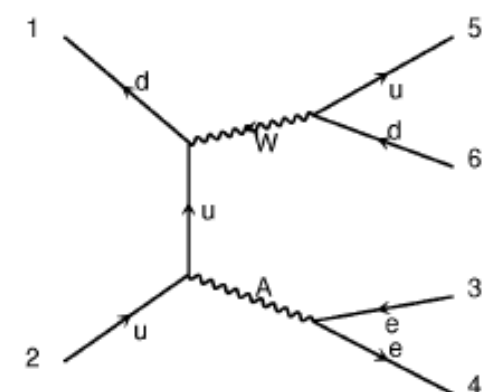
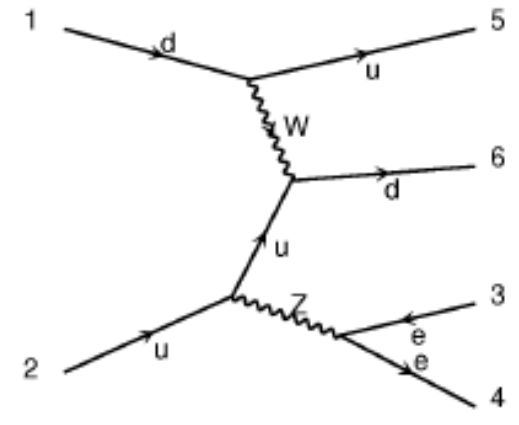
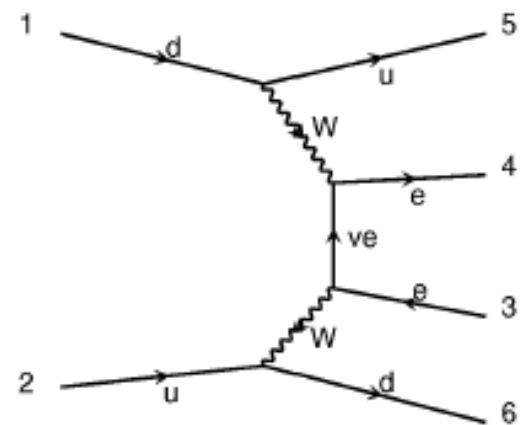
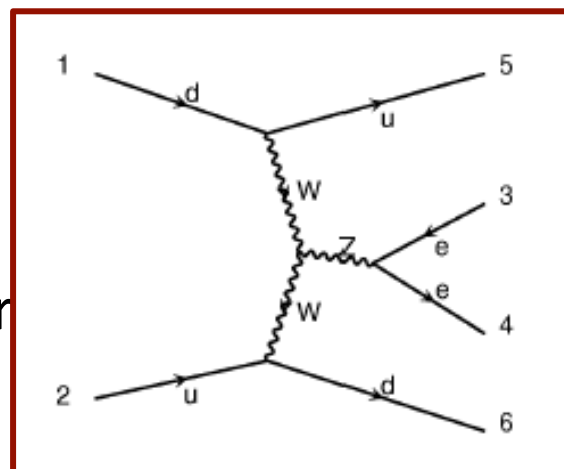
□ VBF Z production as reference: feasibility study at **parton-level @ 10 TeV**

Z+qq (4 pb) :

signal (~5%)

isolated

“a posteriori” with par
cuts



irreducible
background

-> 2700 events @ 15 fb⁻¹

-> **45% eff for VBF-specific cuts**

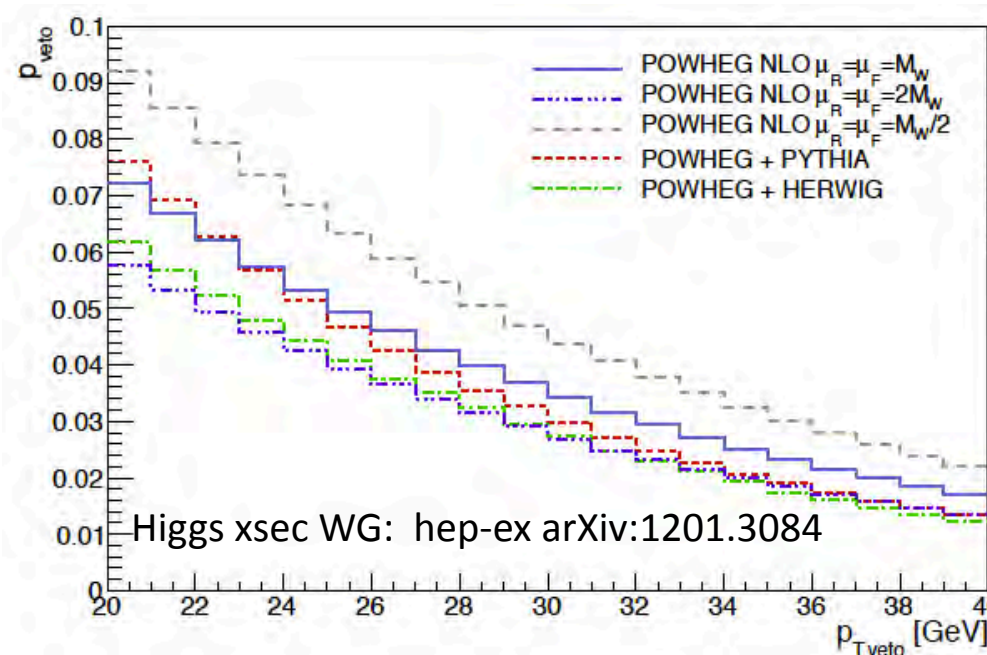
-> **23% tighter cuts against Z+jets** QCD (2700 pb)

S/B improved of a factor 100: **600/78k events @ 15 fb⁻¹** (S/sqrt(B)~ 2)

- Observation feasible but to use as reference **need high lumi and to know Z+jets with high precision**
- **Central jet veto suppress only 10% of Z+jets** (~useless!)

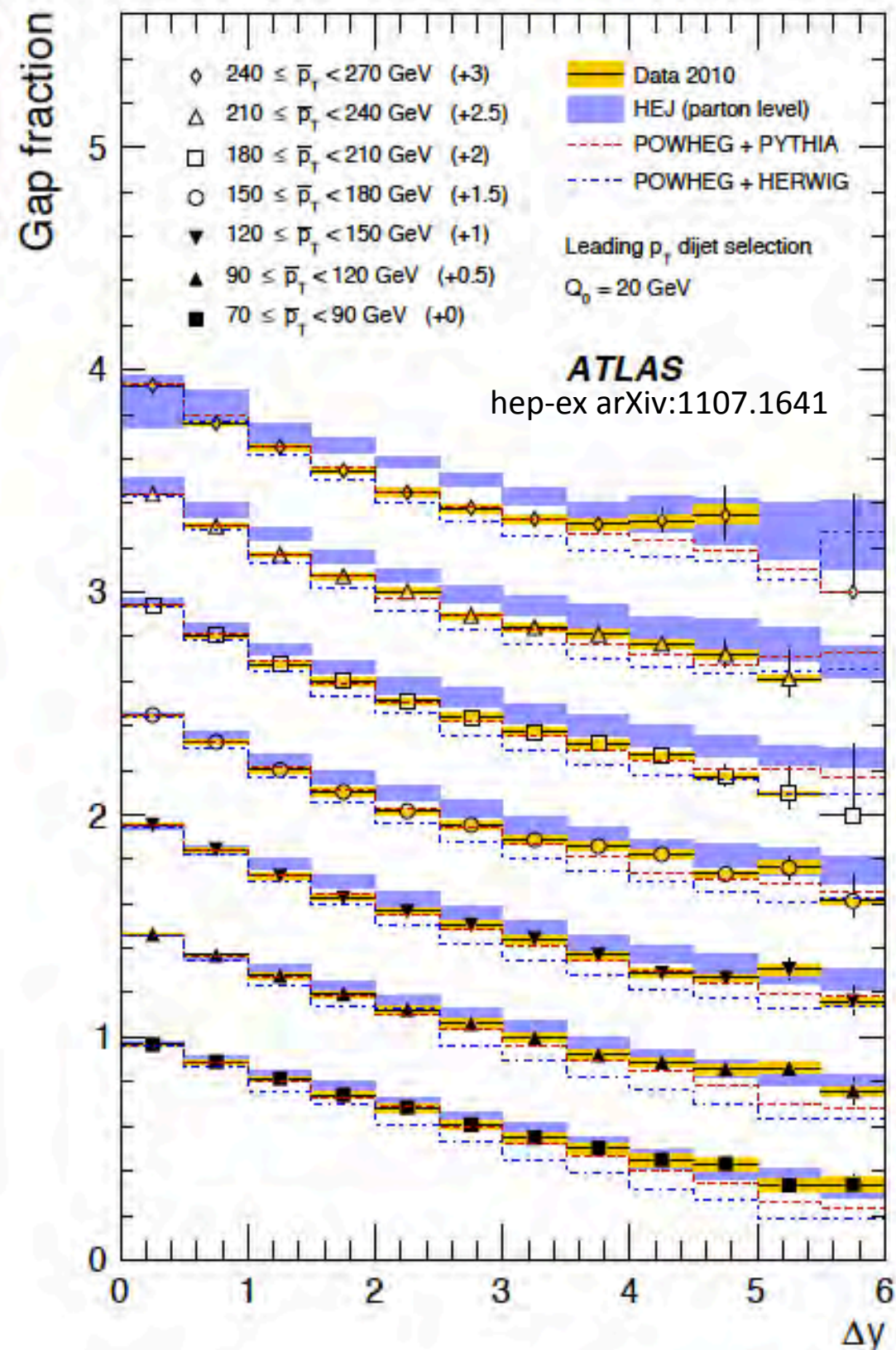
- 3rd jet not well modeled by PS,
central veto $\Delta\epsilon$ btw Pythia and Herwig $\sim 40\%$

-> POWHEG NLO:
remaining
uncertainty $\sim\%$



- Check with **dijet events + rapidity gap** (in low PU)
(at large $p_{T,jet}/p_{T,veto}$ or $\Delta y \rightarrow$ fixed order fails)
 - NP effects $< 2\%$ ($p_{T,veto} > \Lambda_{QCD}$)
 - HEJ all-order resummation for wide-angle emissions of similar p_T
 \rightarrow fails for $p_T jet \gg p_{T,veto}$
 - POWHEG+Pythia** good agreement with data
 \rightarrow differences btw Herwig and Pythia

- Similar study in **$t\bar{t}$ events** ! hep-ex arXiv:1203.5015



WHY?

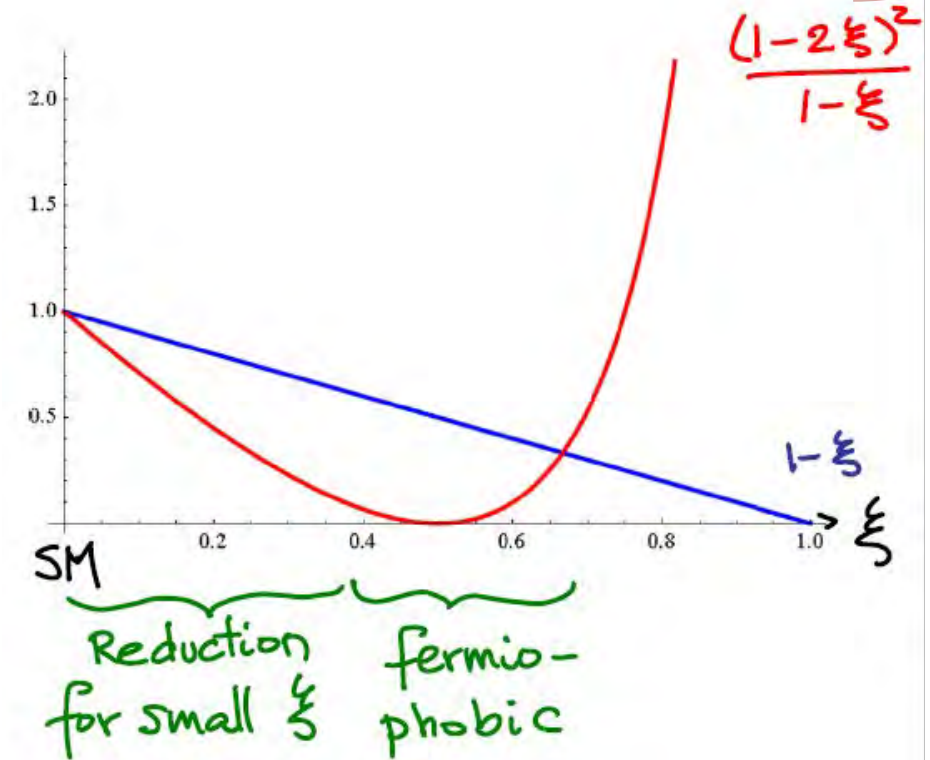
Ex of (light) composite higgs:

$$\frac{1}{p^2 - m_H^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + \xi c_H} \frac{1}{p^2 - m_H^2}$$

$$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \quad \sqrt{1-\xi} \times (SM) \Rightarrow \sigma \left[\text{diagram} \right] = (1-\xi) \sigma_{SM}$$

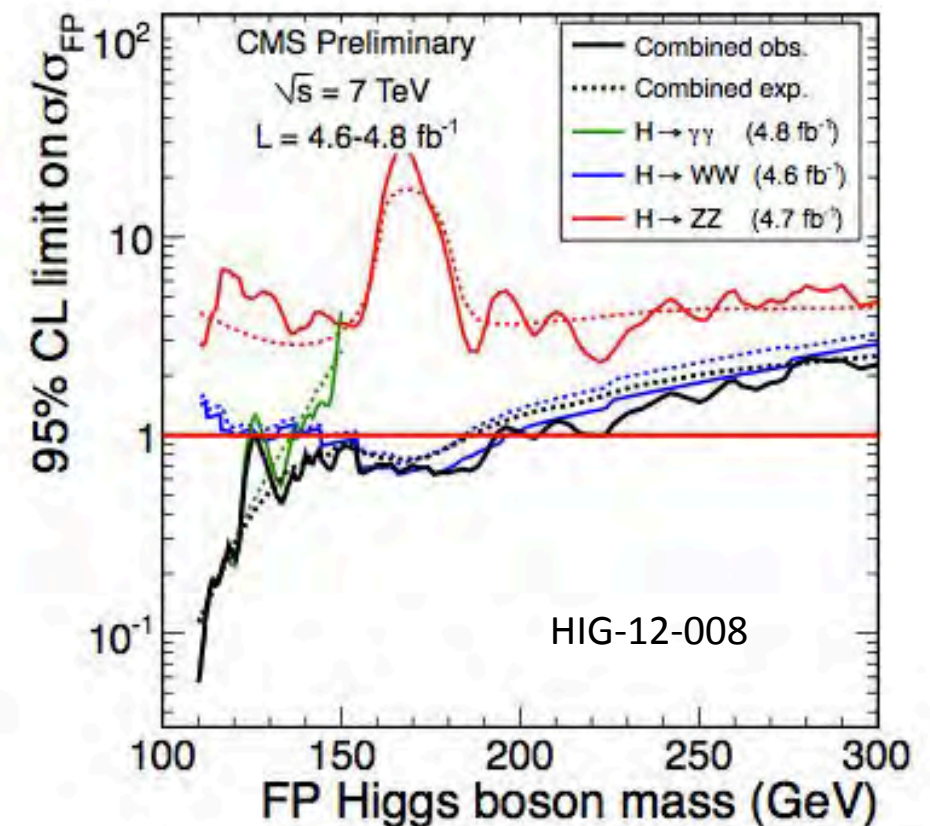
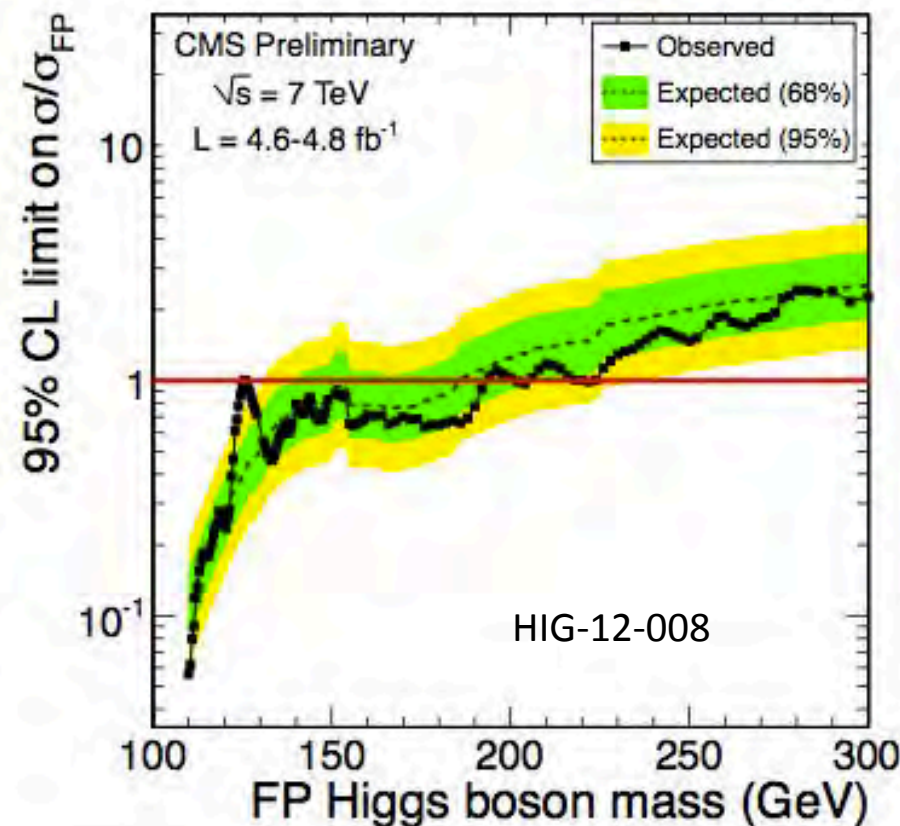
$$h \rightarrow f\bar{f} \quad \frac{1-2\xi}{1-\xi} \times (SM)$$

$$h \rightarrow g\bar{g} = \text{diagram} \quad \frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}} \times (SM)$$



“State of the art”

- $\gamma\gamma$ at low mass, WW at high mass
- NO dedicated VBF analysis yet for ZZ !!



Higgs-like resonance in VBF

□ RE-DO all the analyses in VBF mode (eg, fermiophobic)

□ Today only $WW \rightarrow lnl$. **Expectations for next year:**

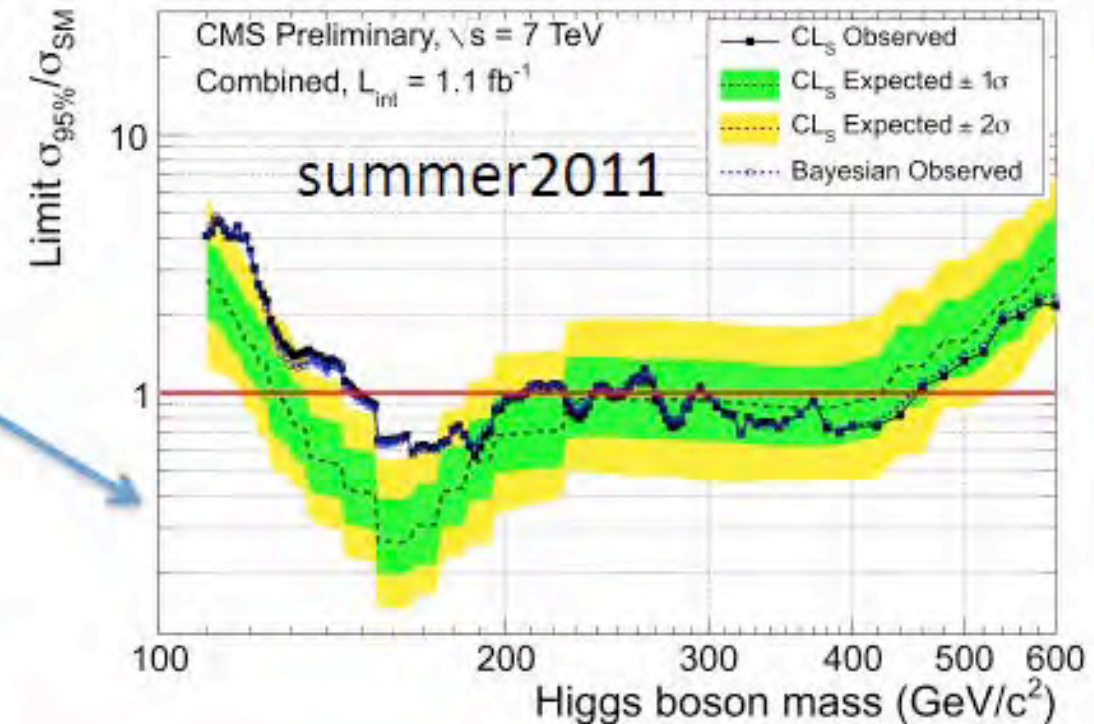
- $\text{lumi} > 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- $\sigma(\text{vbf}) \sim 0.1 \times \sigma(\text{gg})$
- 0.5 effic. VBF cuts

VBF yields in 2012 \sim
0.5 gg yields of 2011
summer results,

with much less background:

- $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ will be still limited by statistics
- $WW \rightarrow lnl$ will improve S/B (signal/10, $WW * \alpha_s^2$)
- **semileptonic final states** will have **reasonable signal yields + much lower background** than inclusive analysis

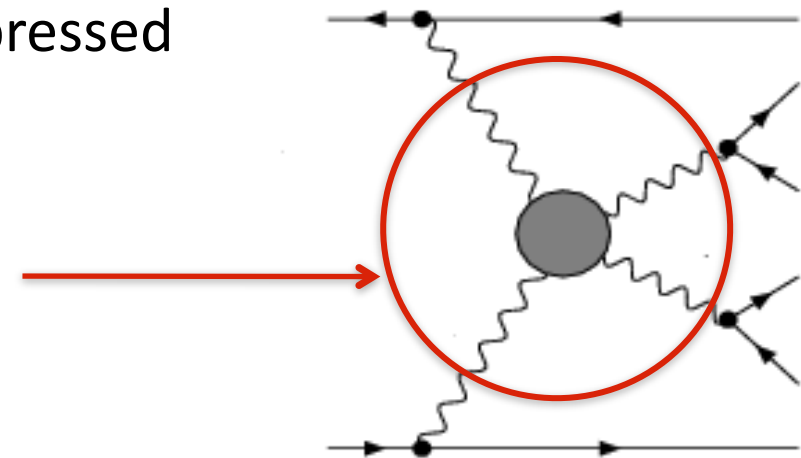
- eg, $ZZ \rightarrow lljj$:
- signal yields for m_H 300-500 $\sim 15 - 5$ events
 - $V+(N+1)\text{jets}/V+N\text{ jets} \sim 0.15 \rightarrow$ asking 2 jets reduces **background to 2%!**
 - S/B may increase of a factor 2 (eff $0.5 \times \sigma$ $0.1 / 0.02$)



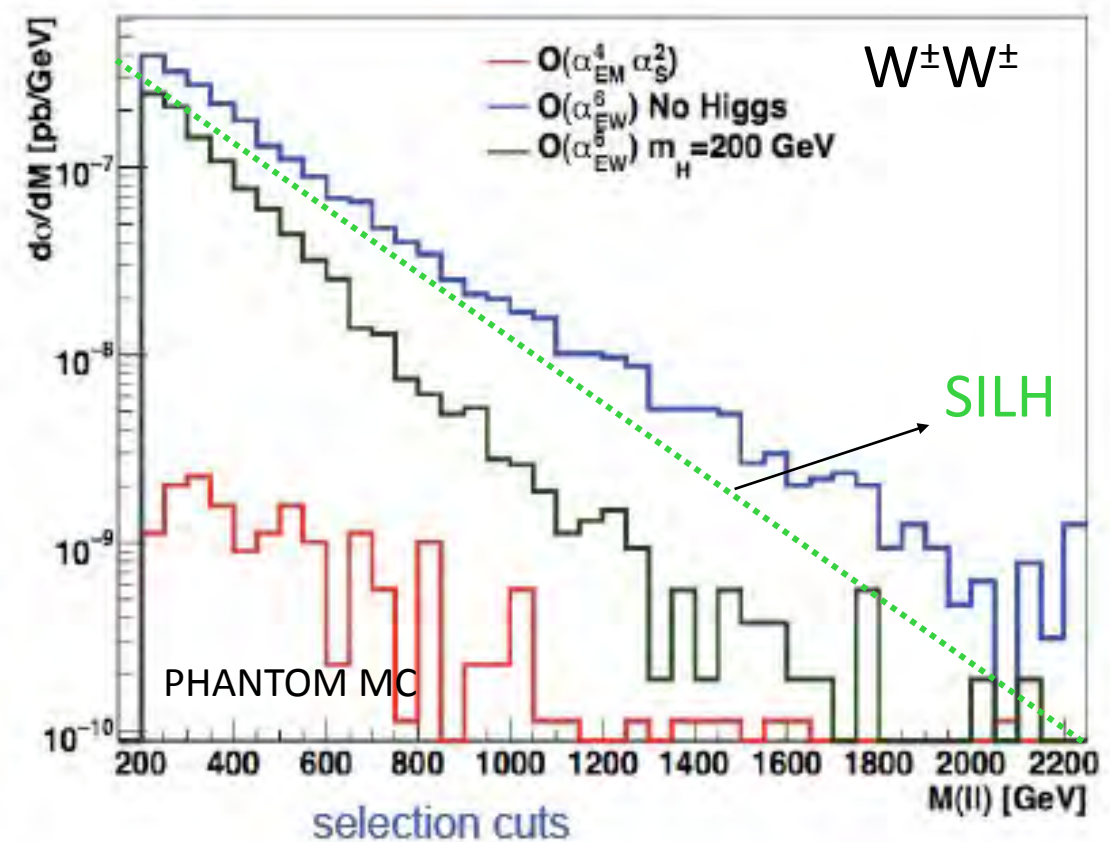
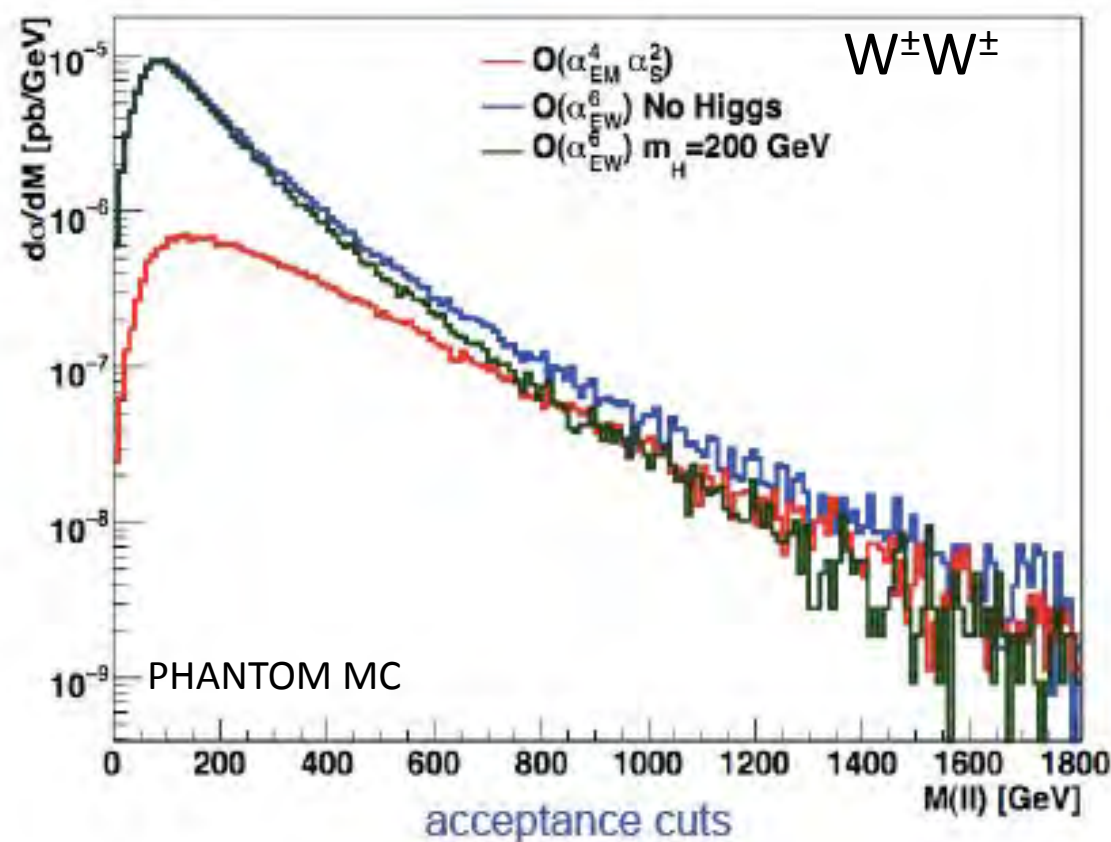
VV scattering spectrum

□ In no Higgs case: increasing of xsec at high VV is suppressed by

- PDF
- offshell bosons
- unpolarized bosons



→ small difference between SM and violation of unitarity (no Higgs)



→ with proper cut (eg $\Delta\eta$ jets) can be enhanced -> selection of the longitudinal W

Graviton \rightarrow ZZ search

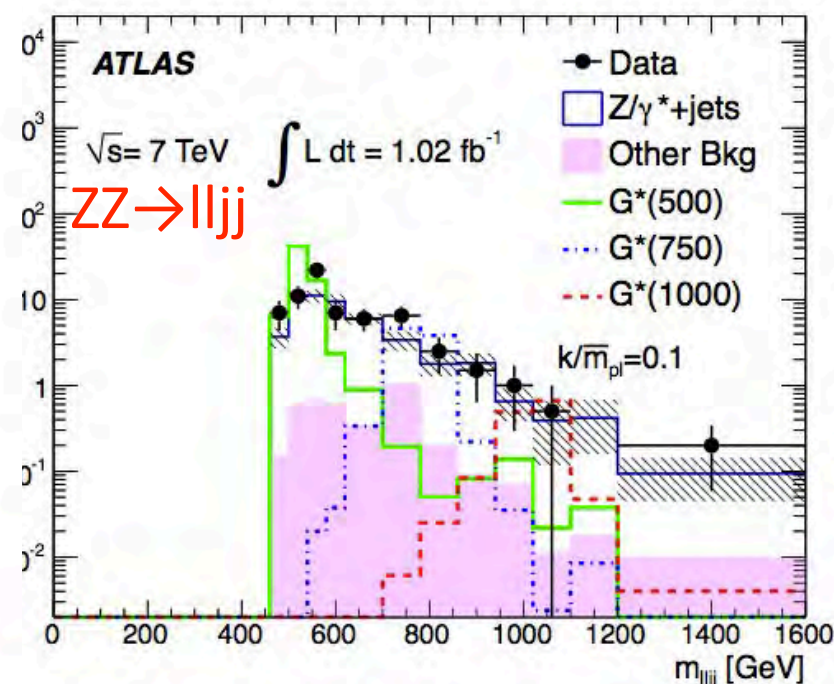
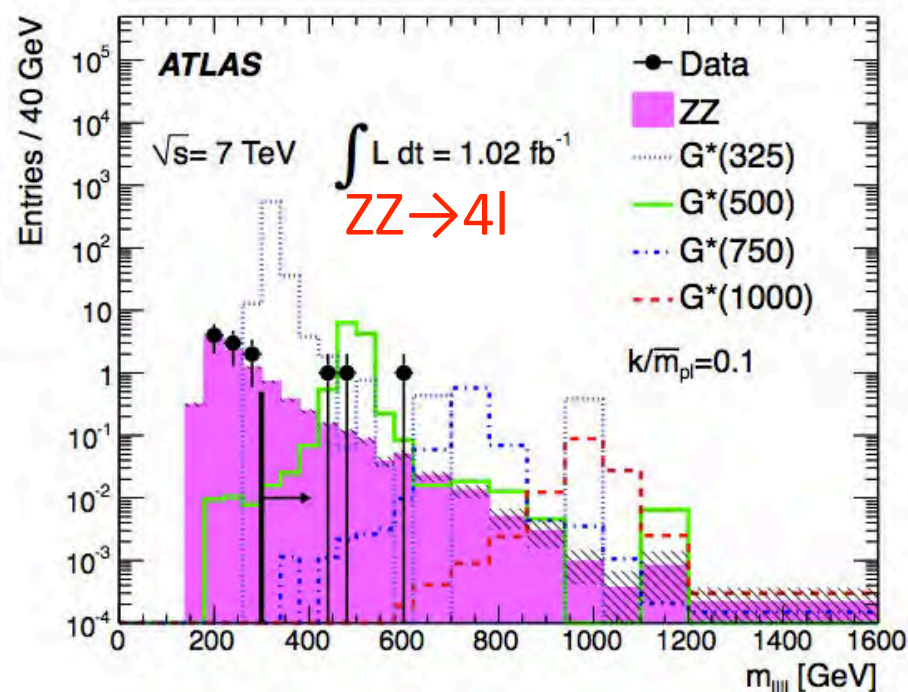
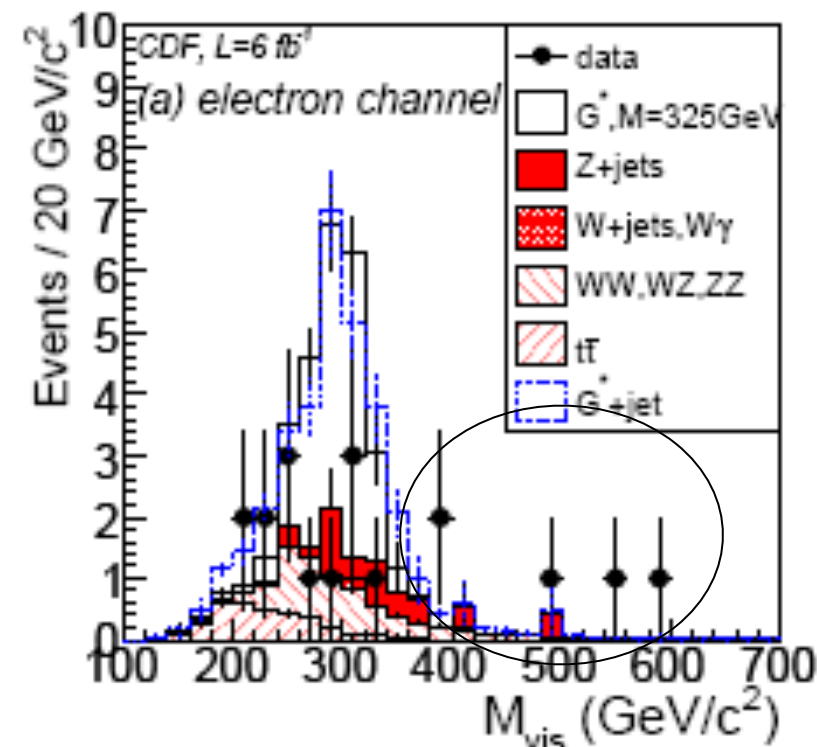
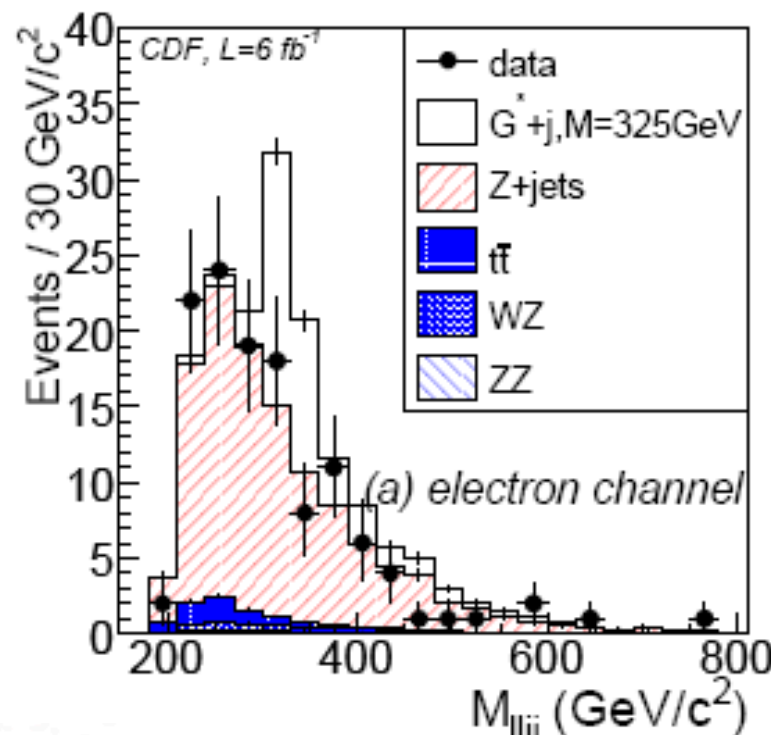
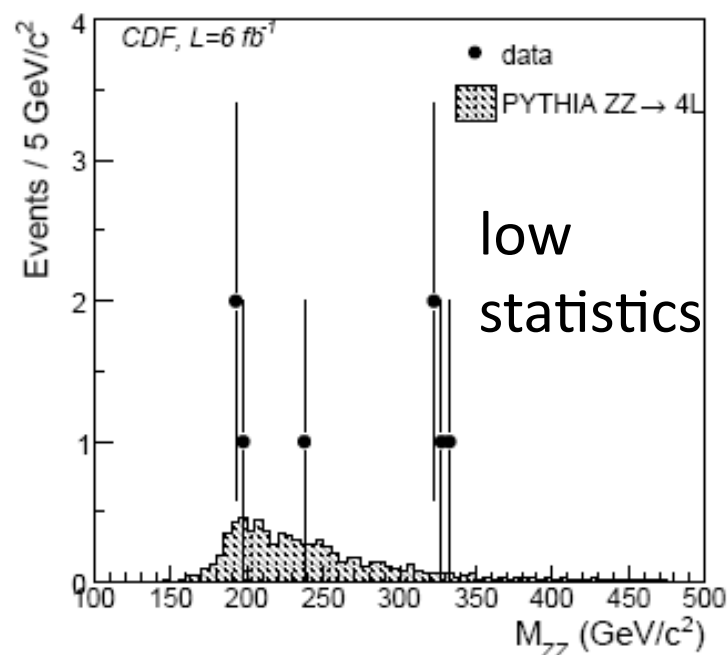
❑ **Search for $G \rightarrow ZZ$** : same features discussed for high mass Higgs

$ZZ \rightarrow 4l$

$ZZ \rightarrow lljj$: large V+jets

$ZZ \rightarrow llnn$

MET control V+jets



CMS is working on

$ZZ \rightarrow 2l2j$ (angular analysis)

$ZZ \rightarrow 2l 1j$ (jet merging)