



# Low Mass Higgs Searches at the Tevatron

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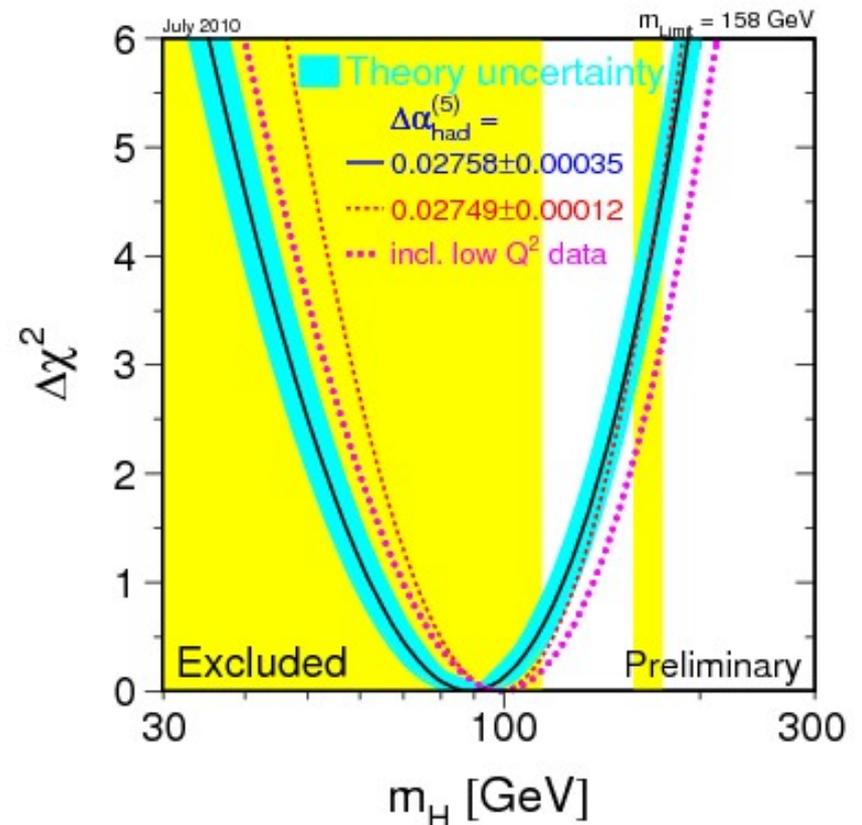
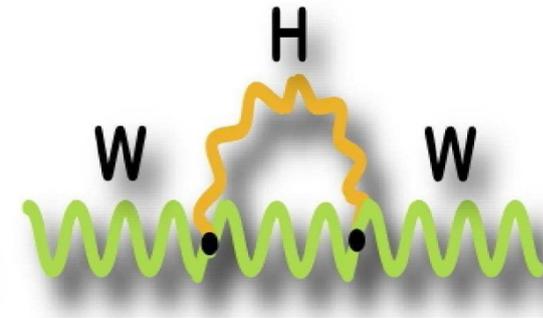


# Fits and Constraints

- Electroweak symmetry breaking is a cornerstone of the standard model
- Higgs mechanism provides mass for the W and Z
- A consequence of this is the Higgs boson
- Mass is not predicted

$M_H < 158$  GeV (indirect constraints)

$M_H < 185$  GeV (include LEP search)





# Leave No Higgs Behind

## This Talk

Channel	DØ	CDF
WH $\rightarrow$ $l\nu b\bar{b}$	5.3 fb <sup>-1</sup>	5.7 fb <sup>-1</sup>
ZH $\rightarrow$ $\nu\nu b\bar{b}$	6.2 fb <sup>-1</sup>	5.7 fb <sup>-1</sup>
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H $\rightarrow$ $\gamma\gamma$	8.2 fb <sup>-1</sup>	7.0 fb <sup>-1</sup>
H+X $\rightarrow$ $\tau\tau jj$	5.4 fb <sup>-1</sup>	6.0 fb <sup>-1</sup>

Updated Since Moriond

- Comprehensive search program
- Look everywhere we can
- High mass searches contribute too

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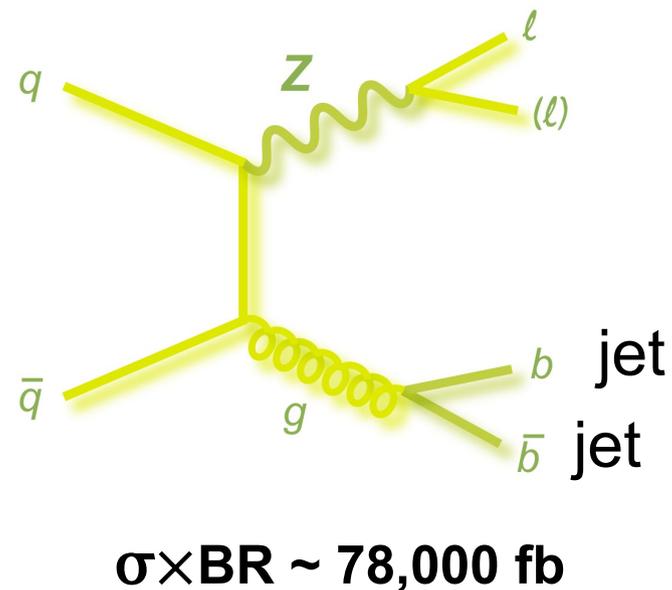
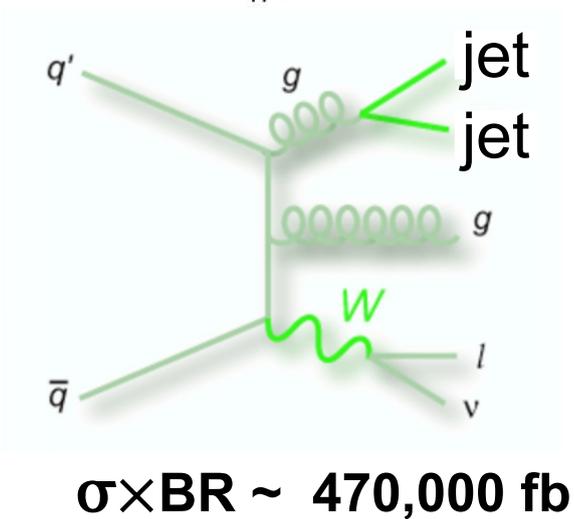
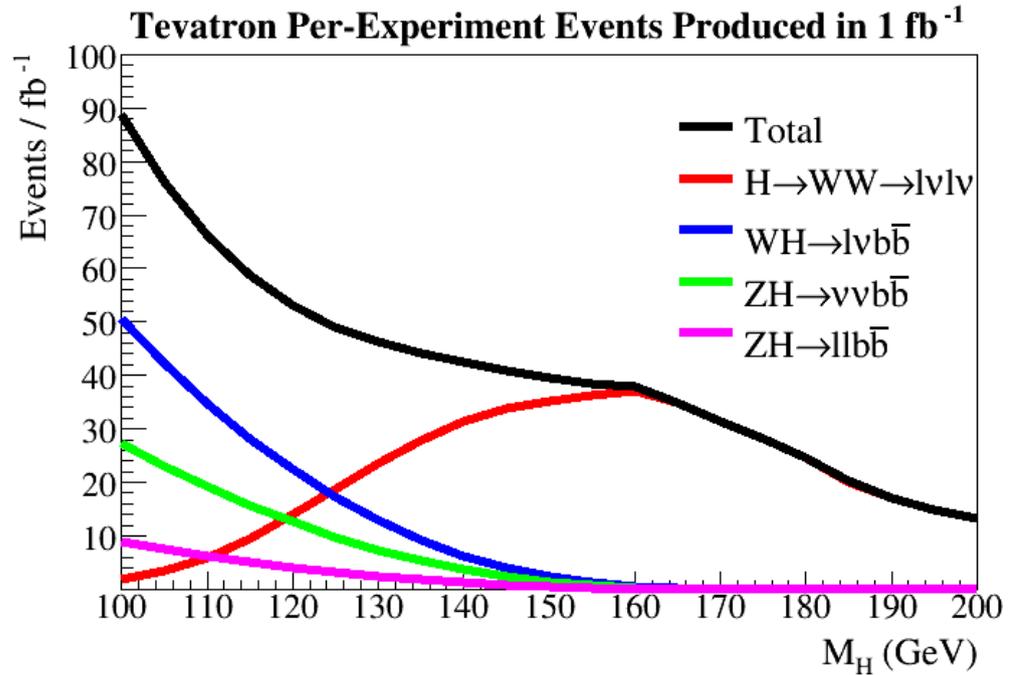
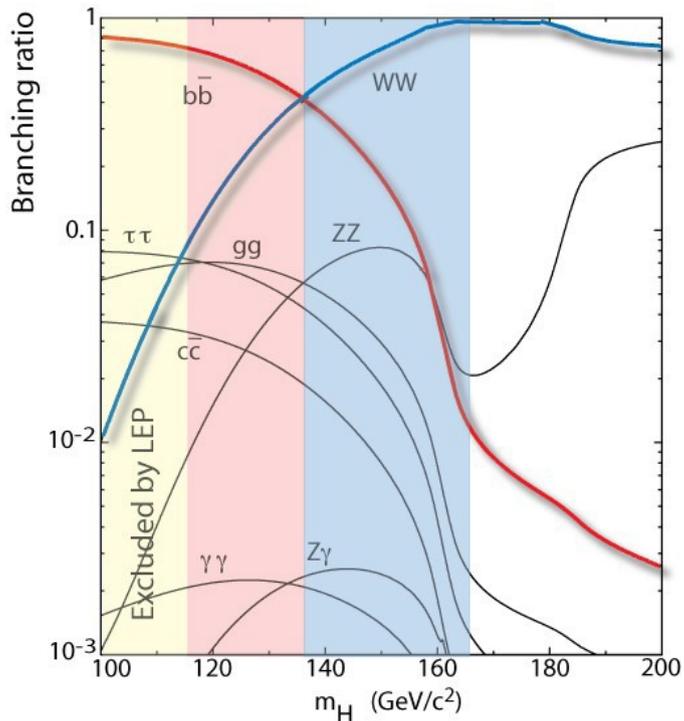
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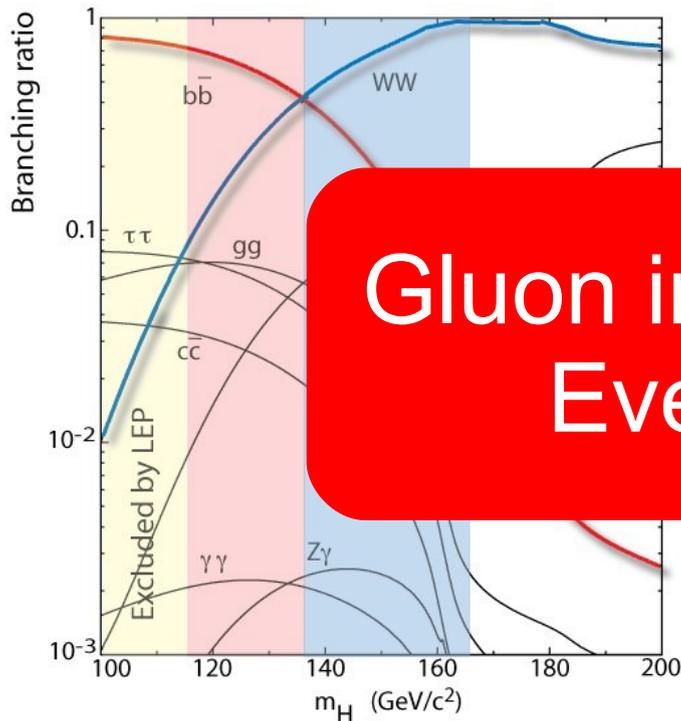


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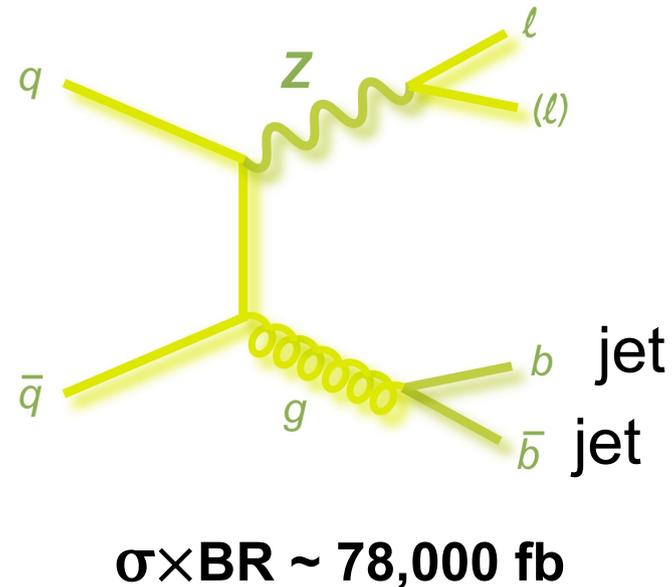
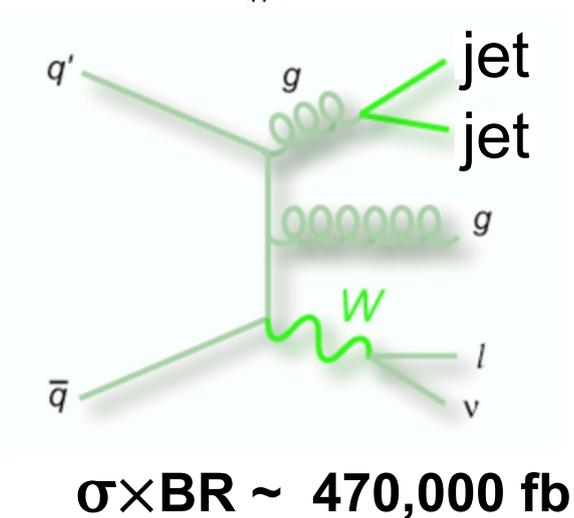
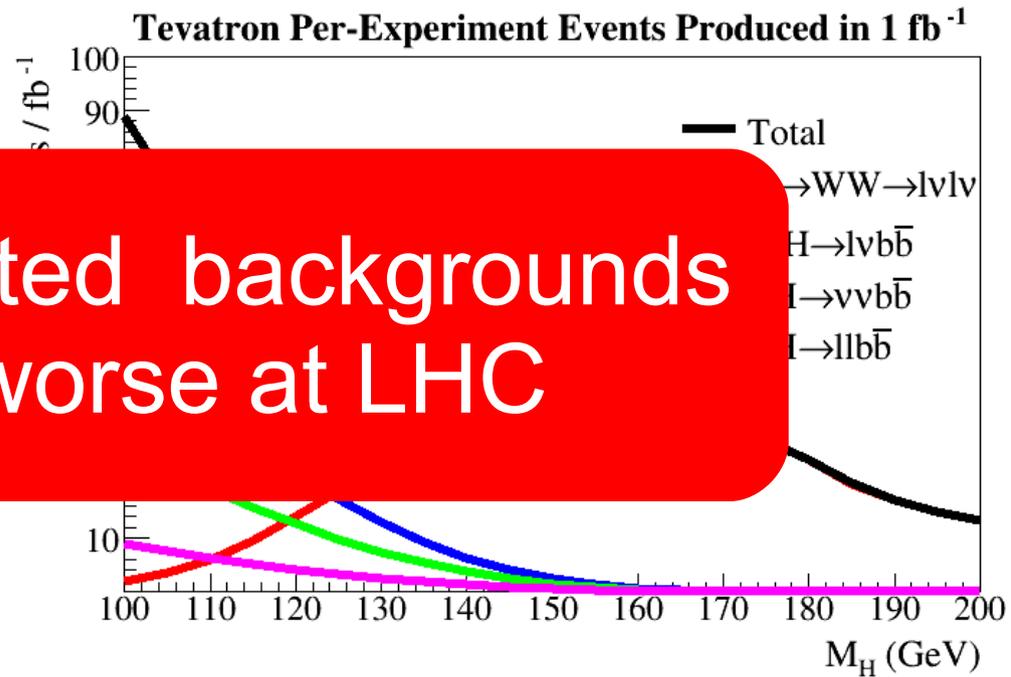




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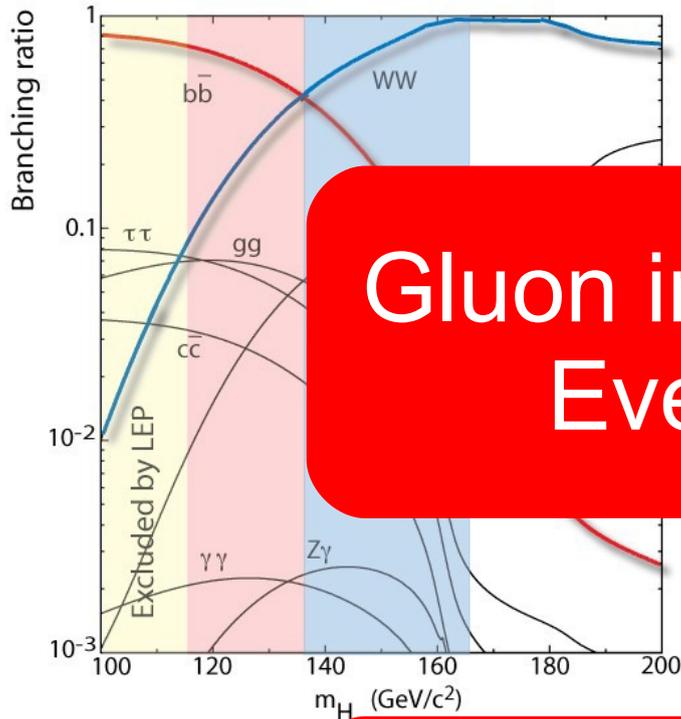


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Even worse at LHC

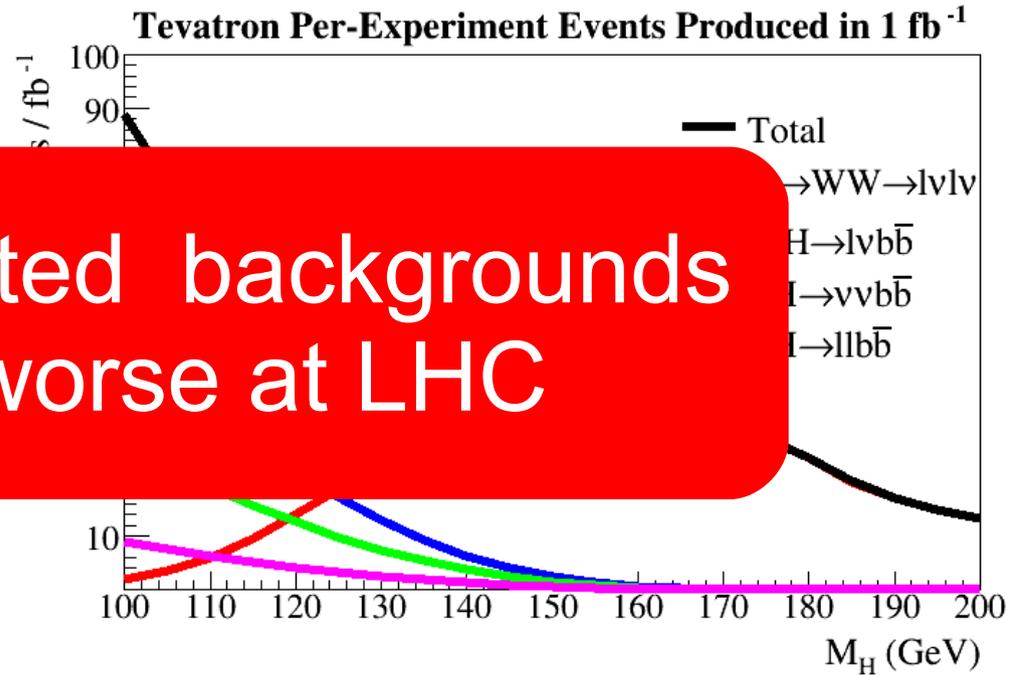




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**The Tevatron is still the  
place to look for  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$**



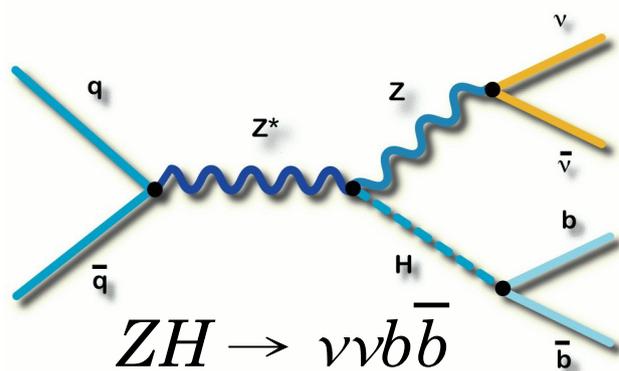
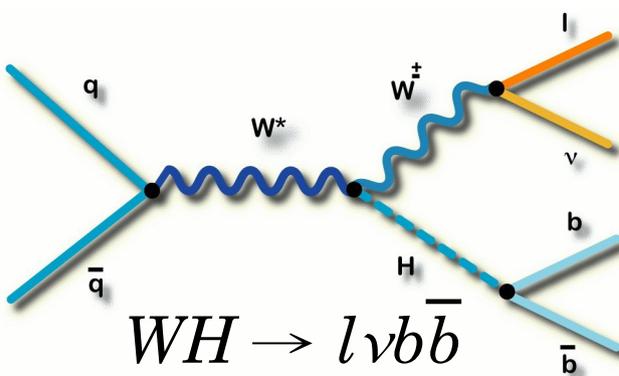
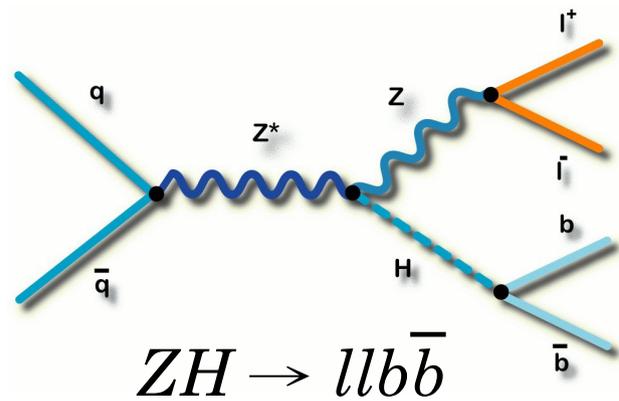
$\sigma \times BR \sim 470,000 \text{ fb}$



$\sigma \times BR \sim 78,000 \text{ fb}$



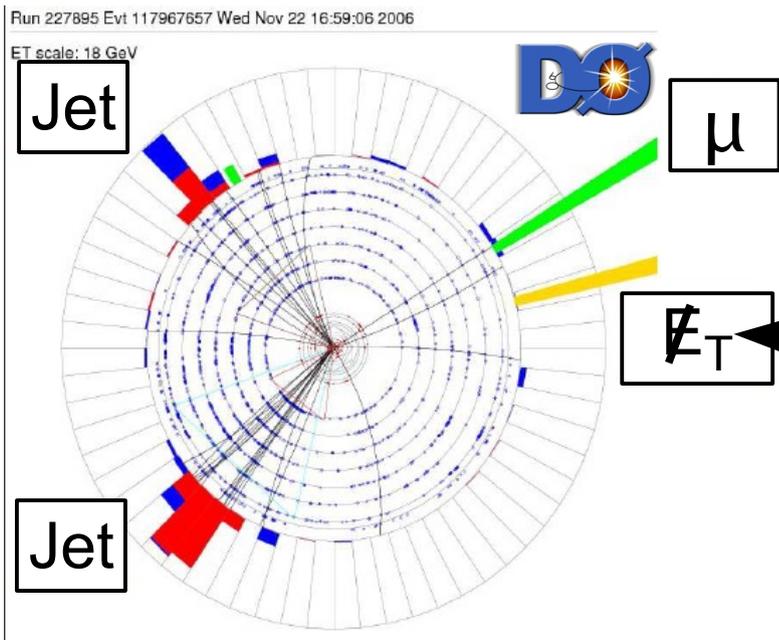
# Associated Production Searches



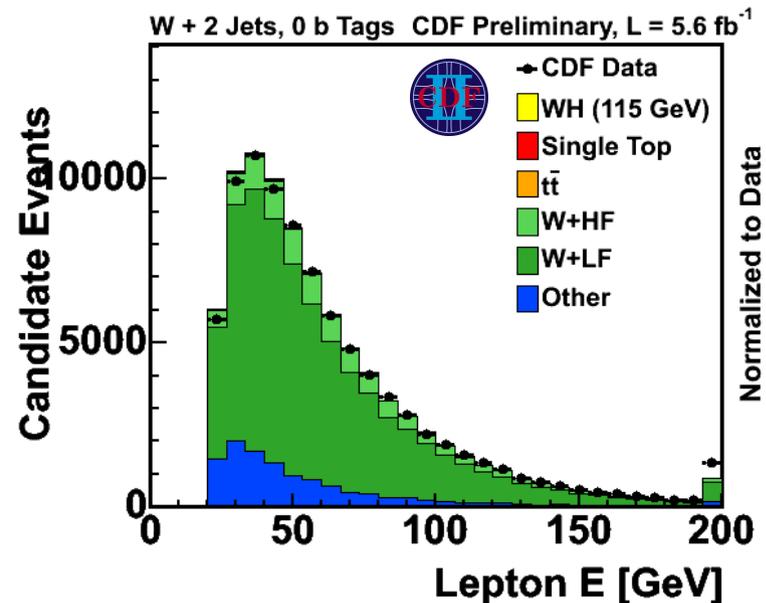
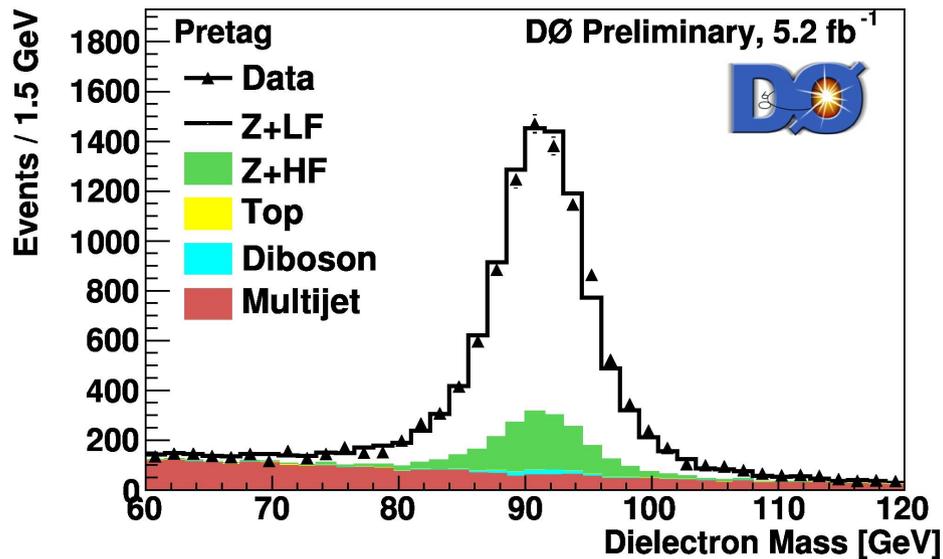
- Crucial ingredients
  - Maximize lepton acceptance
  - Efficient b-tagging
  - Multivariate discriminants



# Leptons and Jets



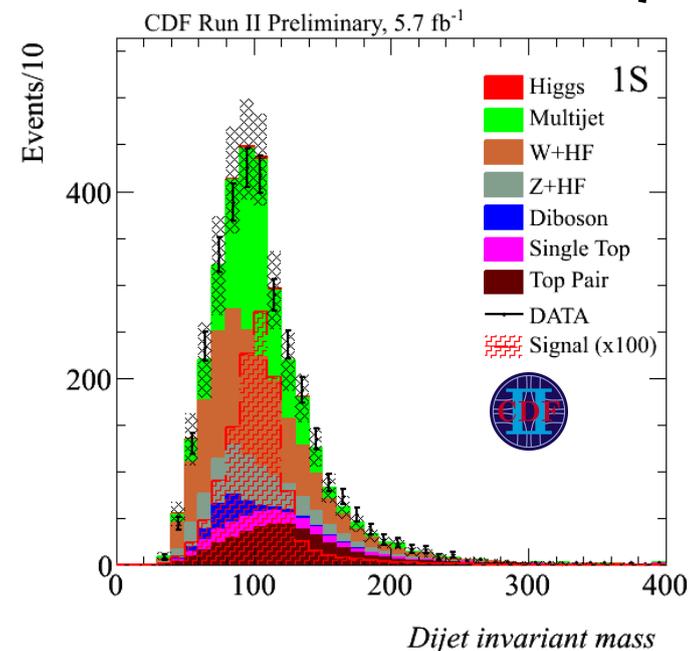
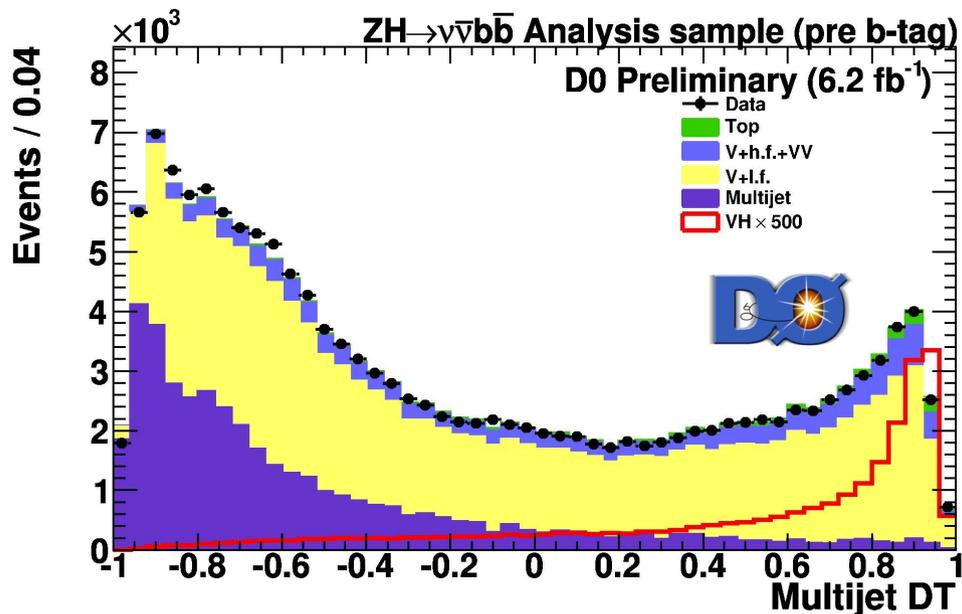
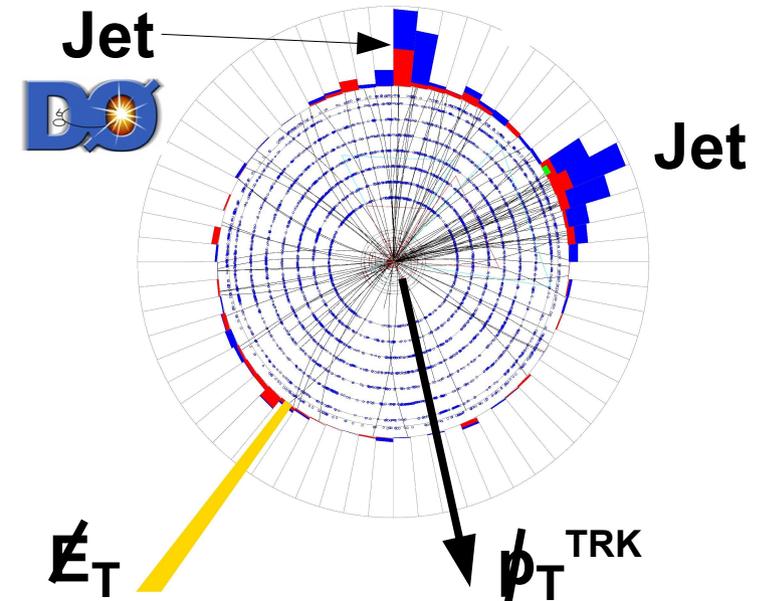
- One or two high  $p_T$  electrons or muons
- Infer neutrinos from  $p_T$  imbalance (missing  $E_T$ )
- Two Jets
- At least one b-tag



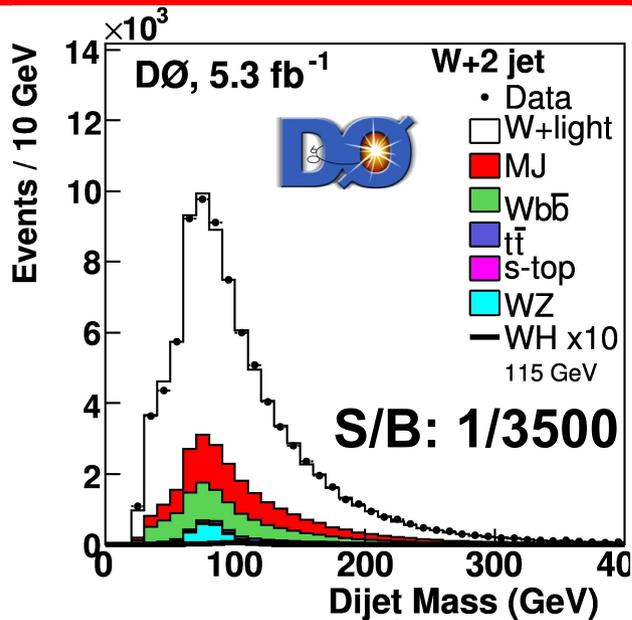
# ZH $\rightarrow \nu\nu b\bar{b}$

- Recovers events from WH
- Large missing  $E_T$
- Two high  $p_T$  jets
- At least one b-tag

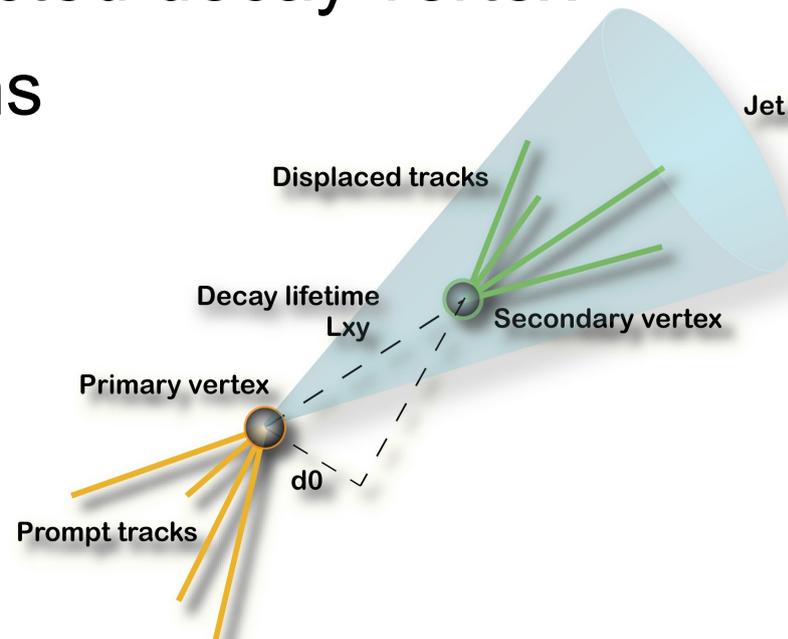
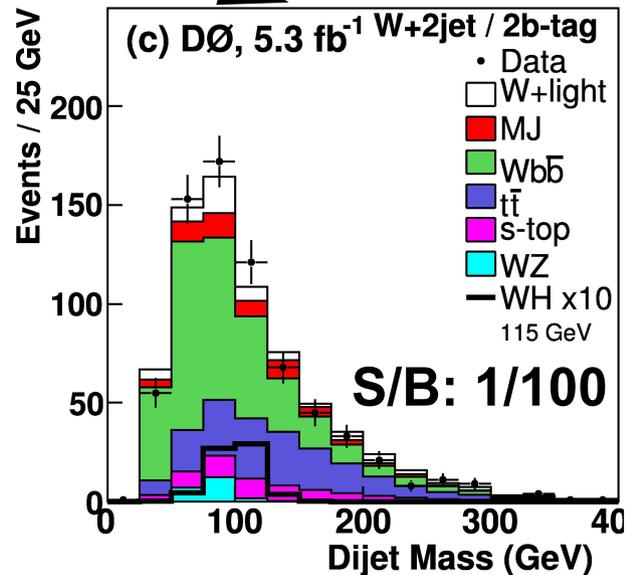
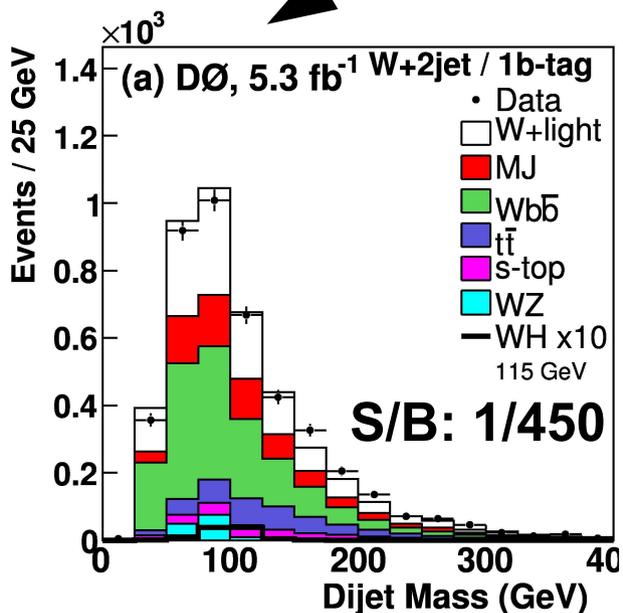
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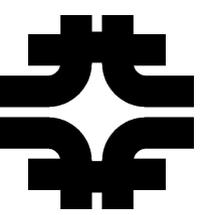
# b-tagging



- Tag b-jets using
  - Impact parameter and
  - Reconstructed decay vertex
  - Soft leptons

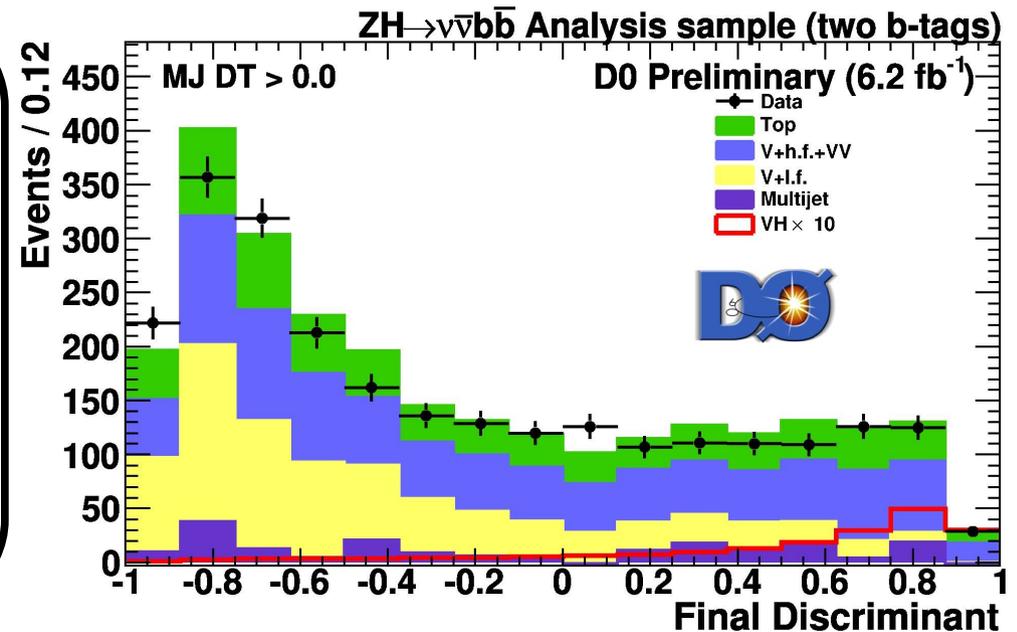


	Efficiency
b-jets	50%-70%
light jets	0.5%-4.5%



# How to Get a Limit

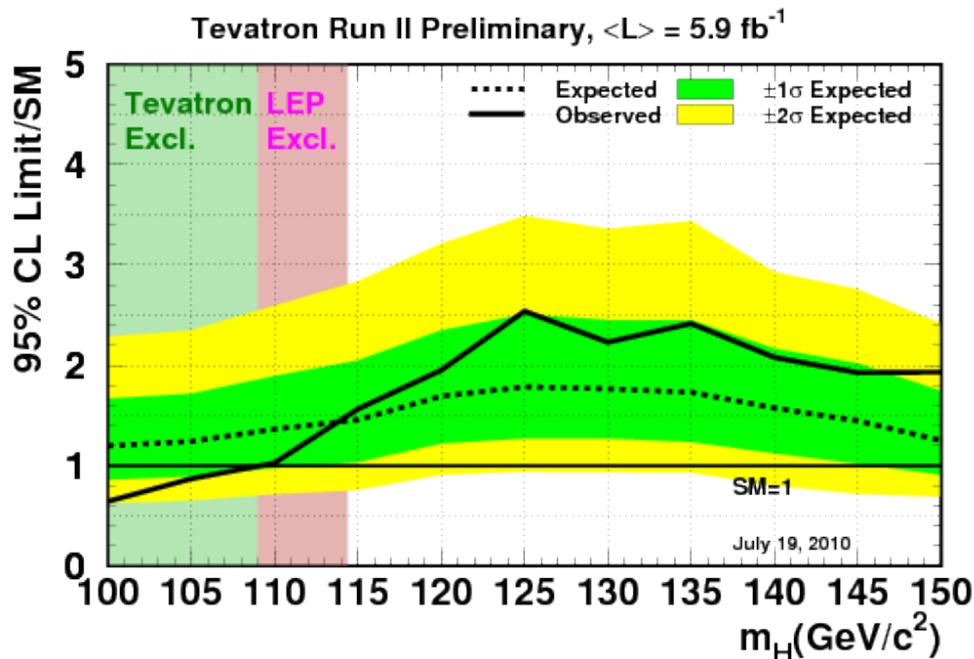
- Train multivariate discriminants
- Exploit full distribution by doing counting experiment for each bin



- Combine by multiplying per bin likelihoods
- Track correlations of uncertainties across bins
- Combination of many channels becomes straightforward (in concept) – just add more bins

## Results at $M_H = 115 \text{ GeV}$

Channel	DØ		CDF	
	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed
WH $\rightarrow l\nu b\bar{b}$	4.8	4.5	3.5	3.6
ZH $\rightarrow \nu\nu b\bar{b}$	4.0	3.4	4.0	2.3
ZH $\rightarrow ll b\bar{b}$	5.7	8.0	5.5	6.0



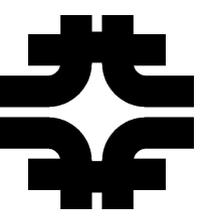
Updated since combination

Combined limits @ 115 GeV:

Exp:  $1.45 \times \sigma_{\text{SM}}$

Obs:  $1.56 \times \sigma_{\text{SM}}$

Exclude  $M_H < 109 \text{ GeV}$



# More Recent Results

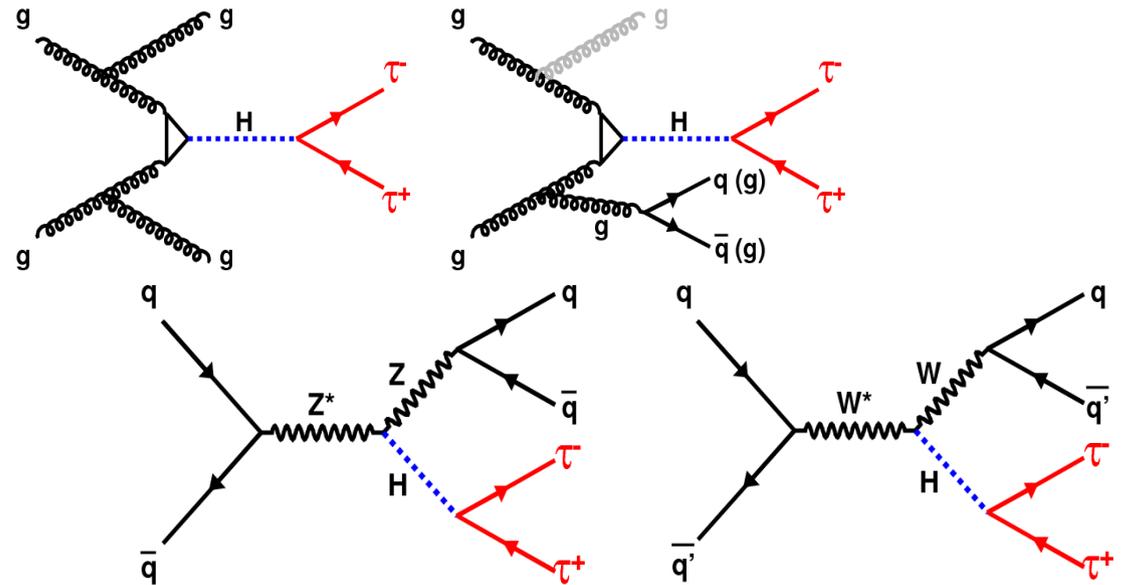
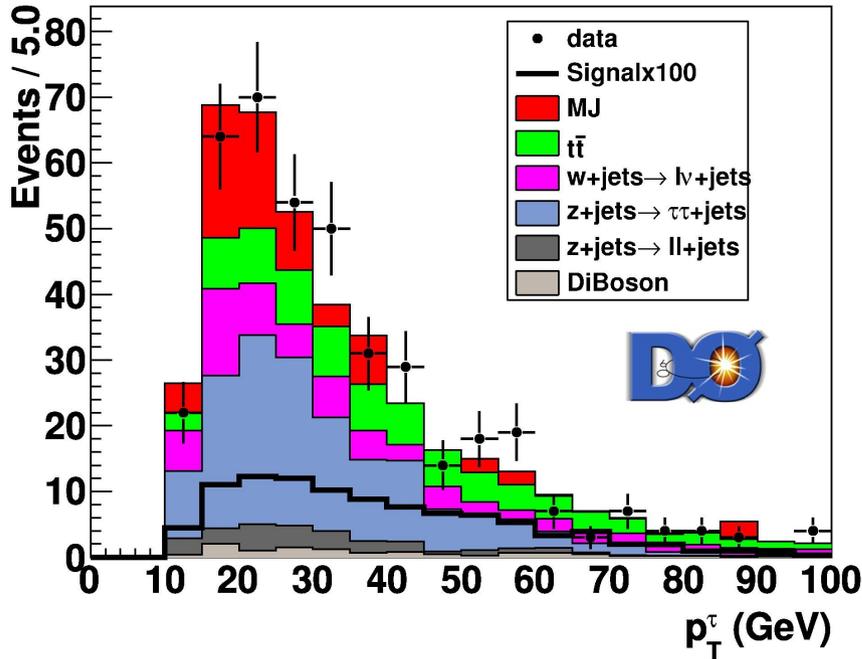
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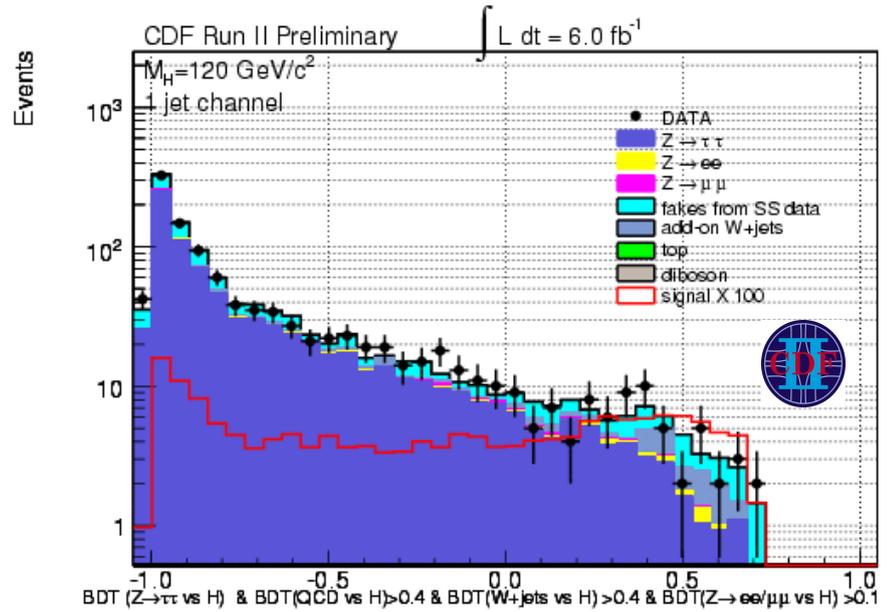
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D0 Preliminary,  $L=4.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



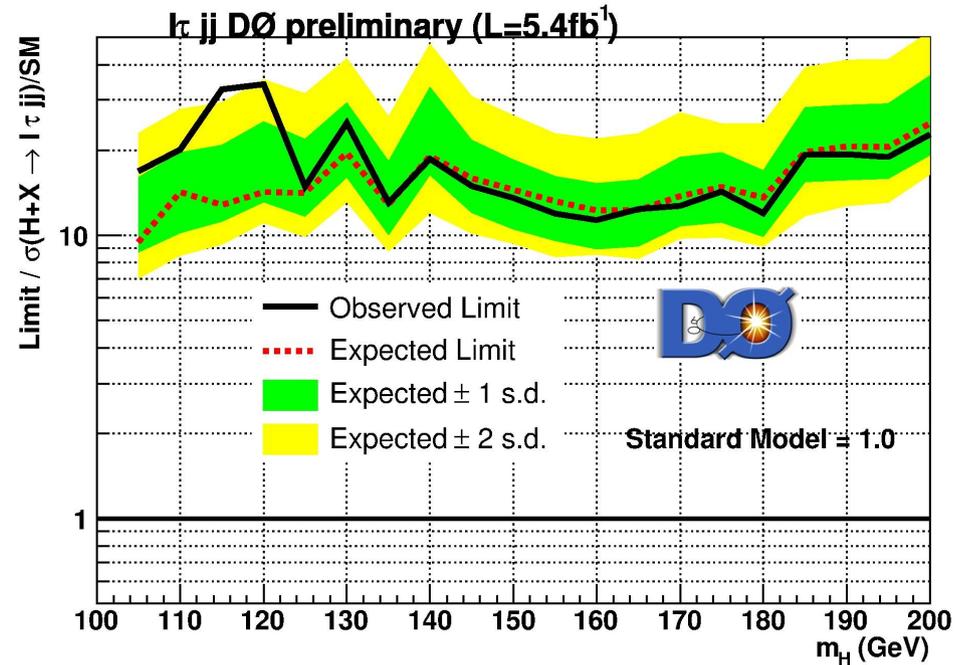
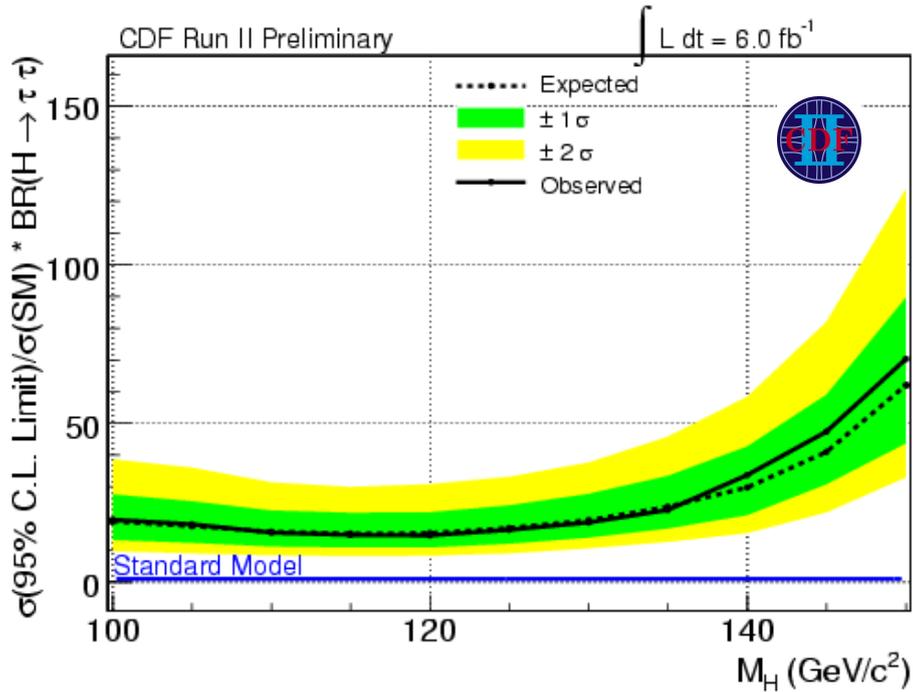
**Selection:**

- One hadronic  $\tau$
- One electron or  $\mu$
- At least one jet





# Searches in $\tau\tau$ plus jets channels



**CDF Limits @ 115 GeV:**

**Exp:  $15 \times \sigma_{\text{SM}}$**

**Obs:  $35 \times \sigma_{\text{SM}}$**

**D0 Limits @ 115 GeV:**

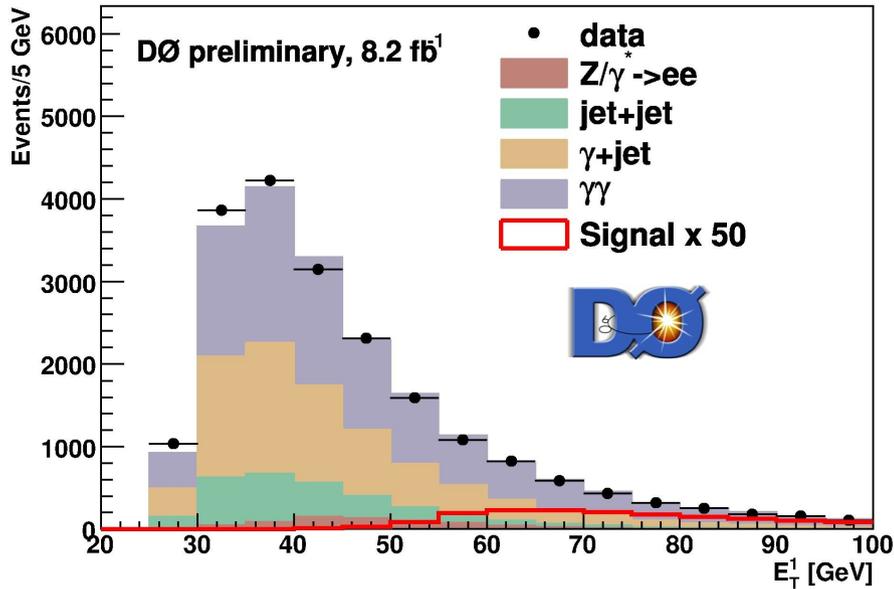
**Exp:  $13 \times \sigma_{\text{SM}}$**

**Obs:  $33 \times \sigma_{\text{SM}}$**



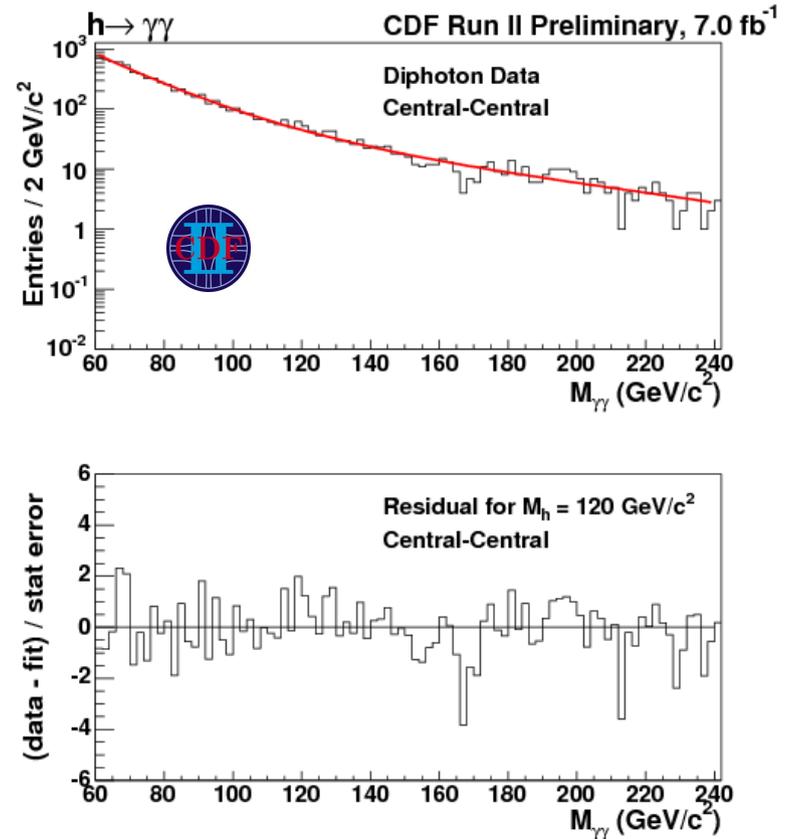
# Diphoton final states

Simple event selection: two photons



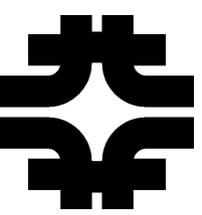
Backgrounds from control samples and Monte Carlo

Multivariate analysis to enhance sensitivity

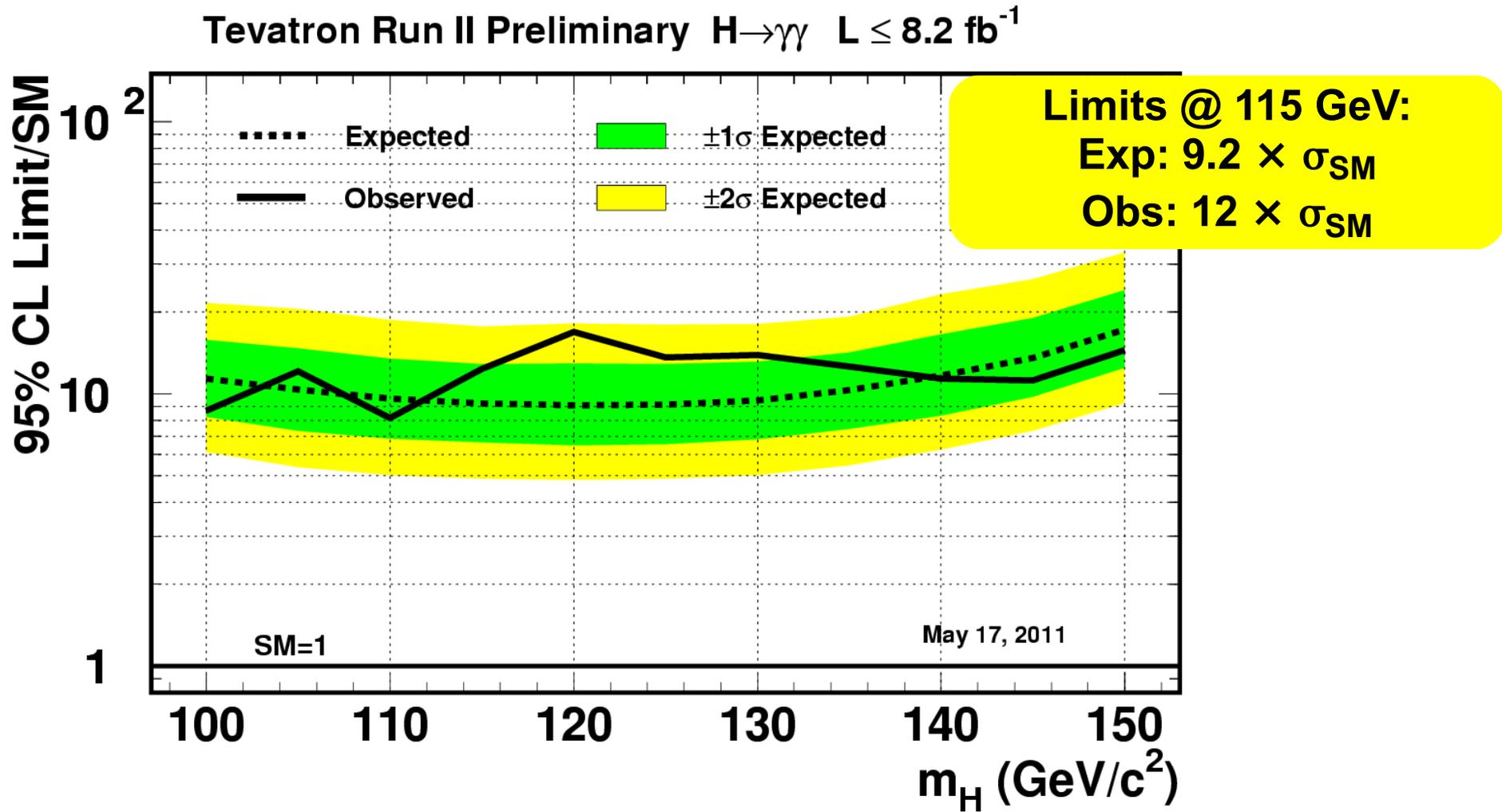


Background from sideband method

Extended selection: forward photons conversions



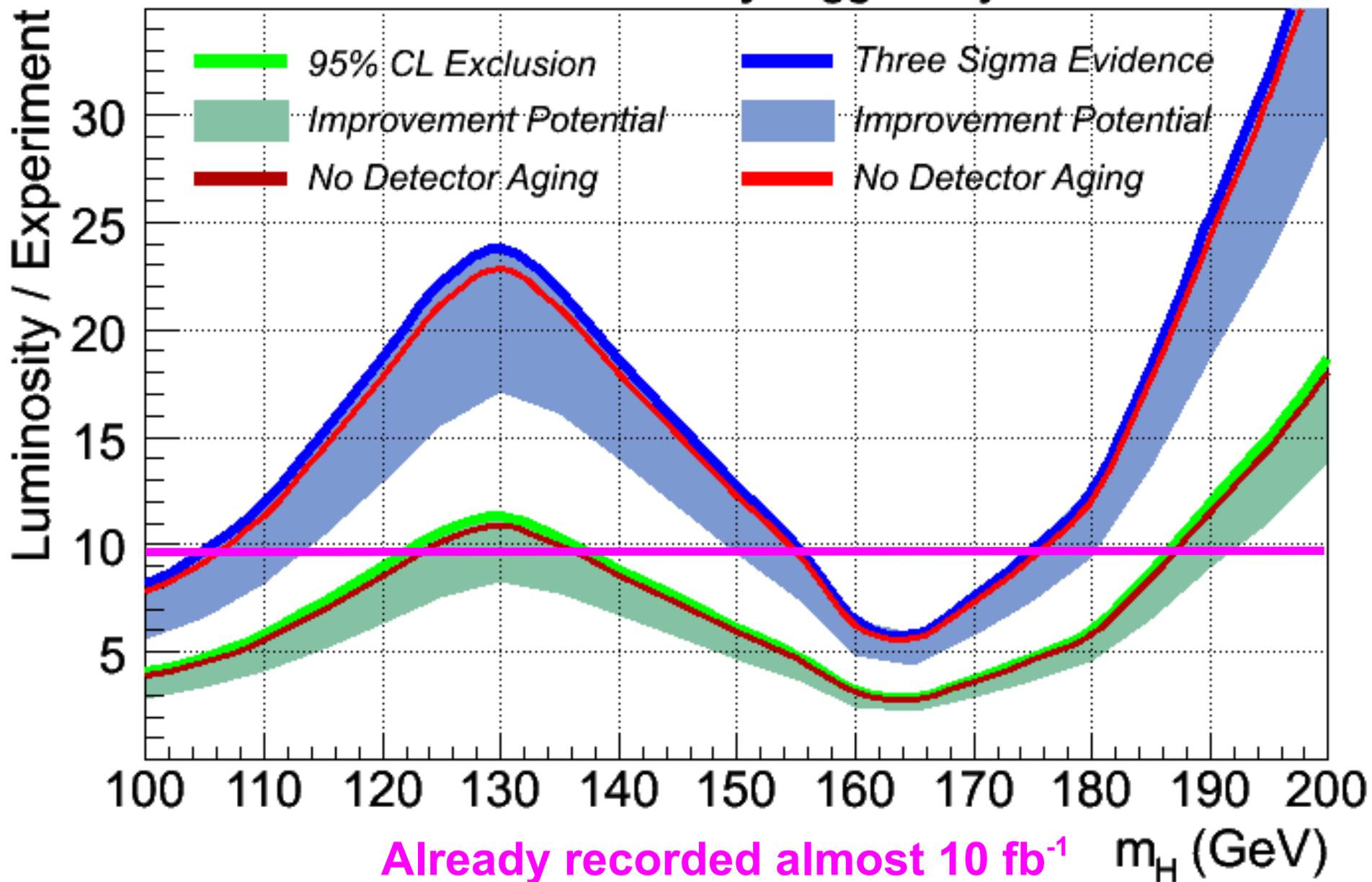
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# Projections

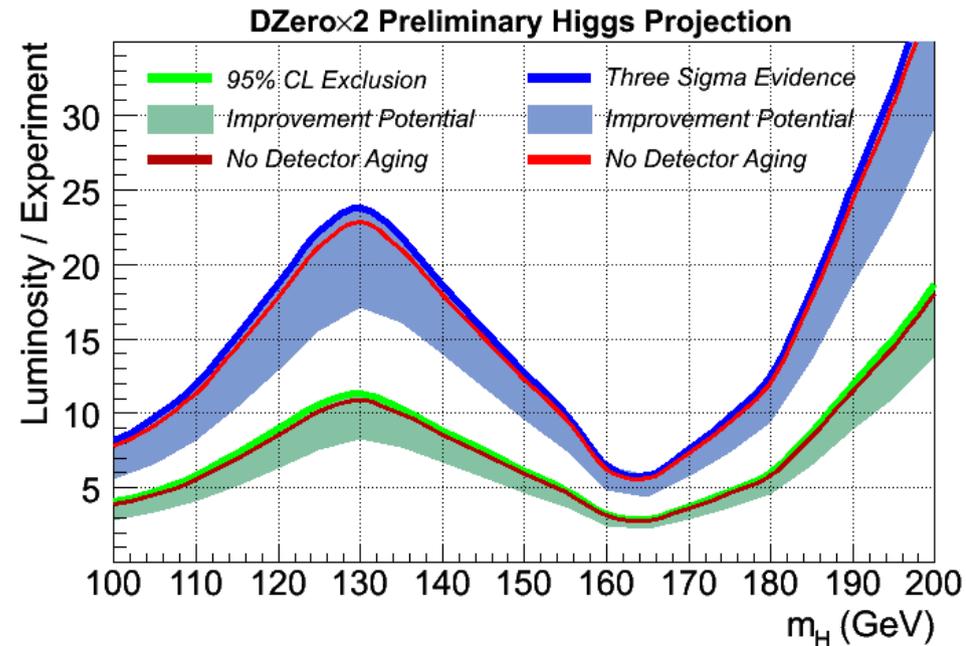
## DZerox2 Preliminary Higgs Projection





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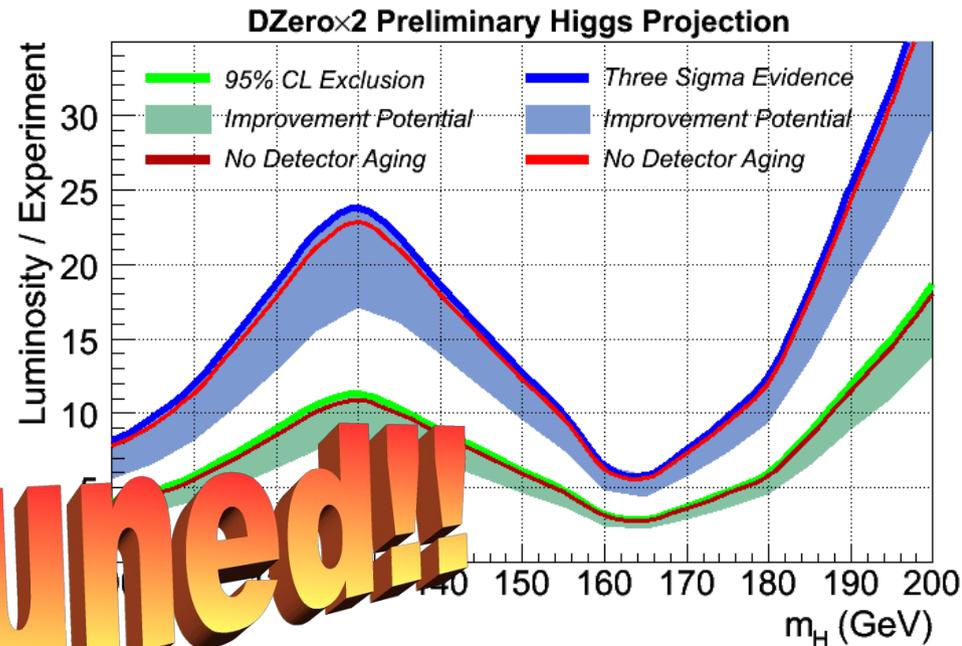
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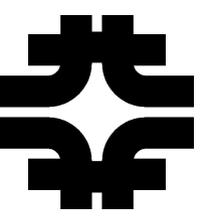
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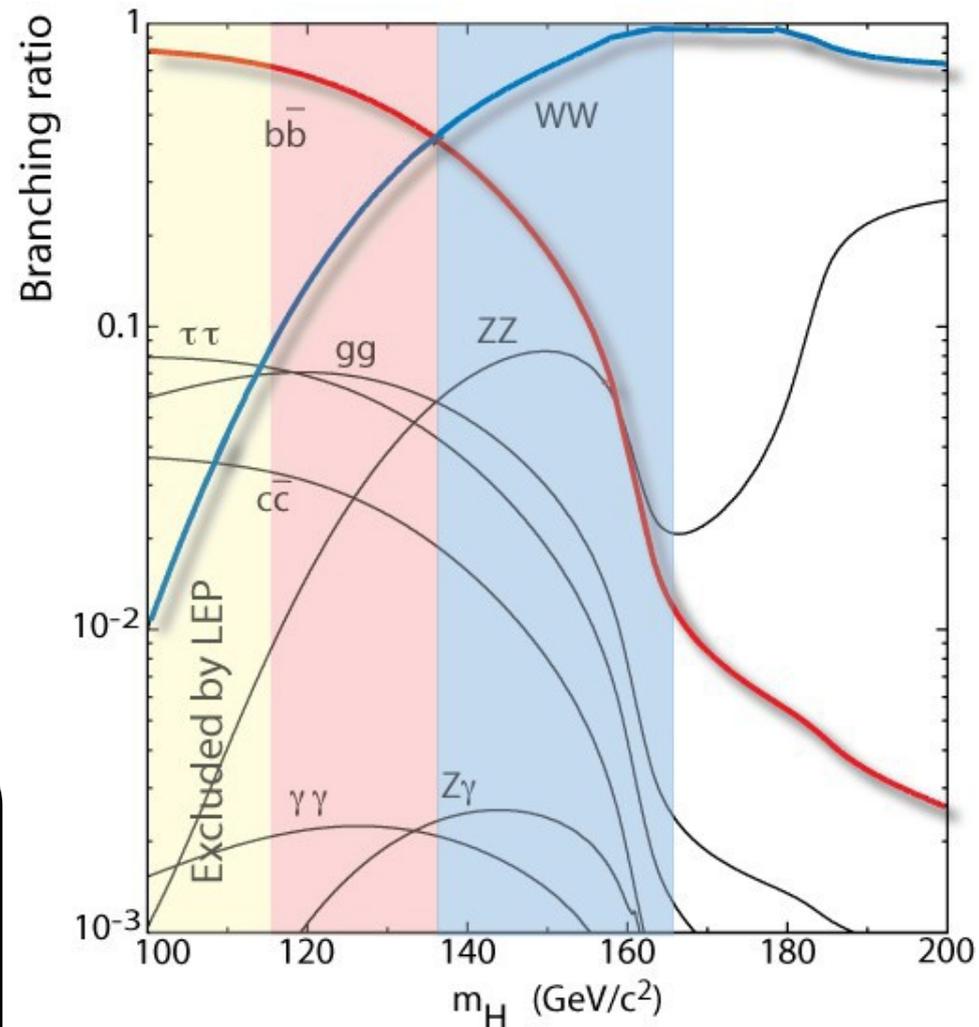
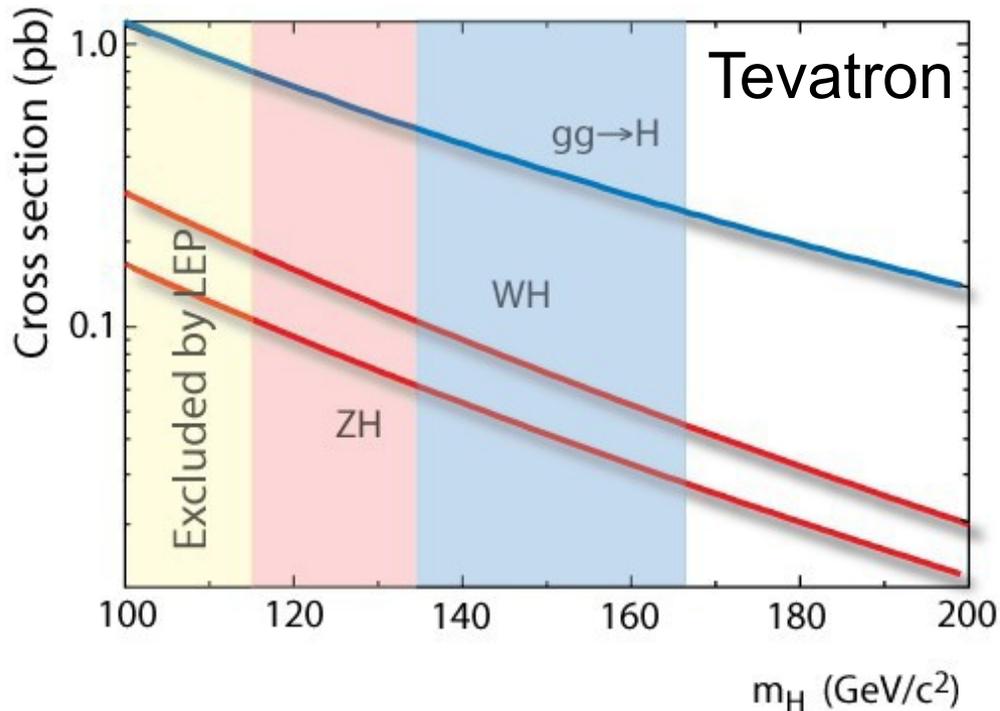


# Backup Slides

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# Production and Decay

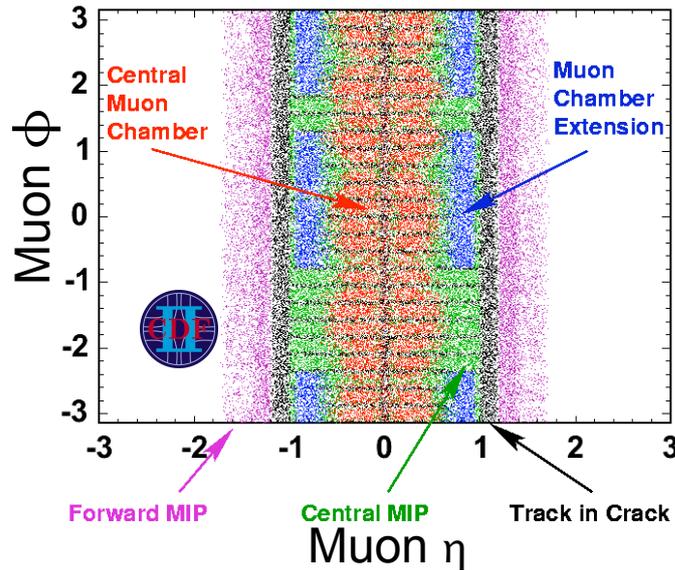
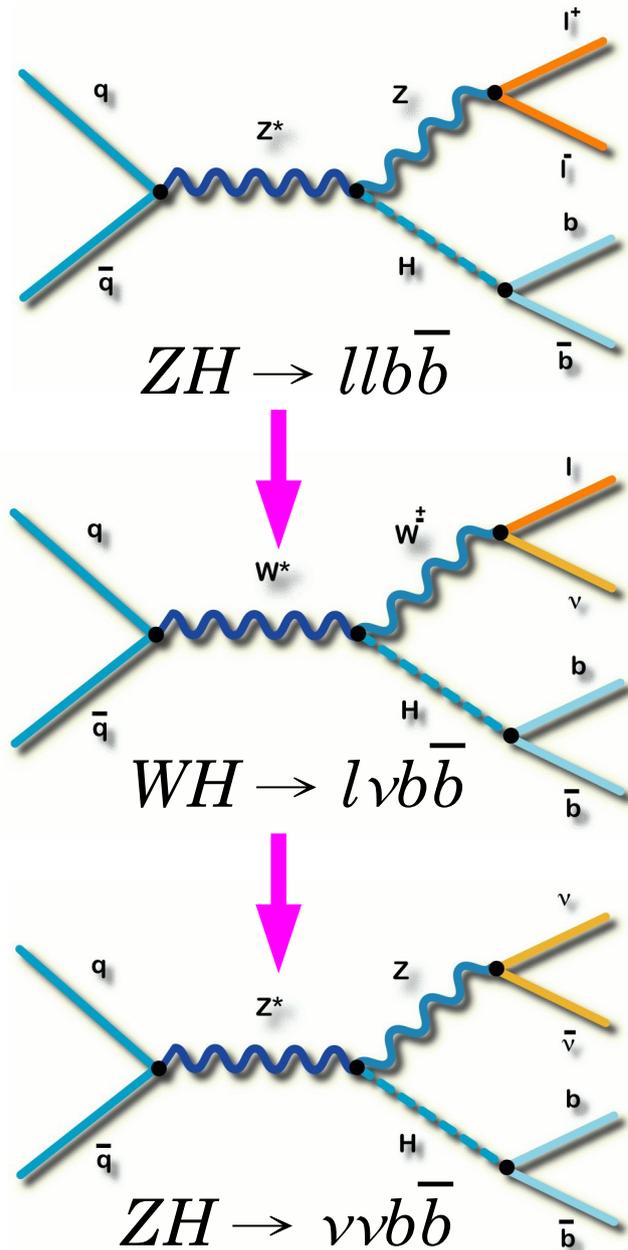


- Use leptons to suppress backgrounds
- When  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  dominates, need associated W or Z



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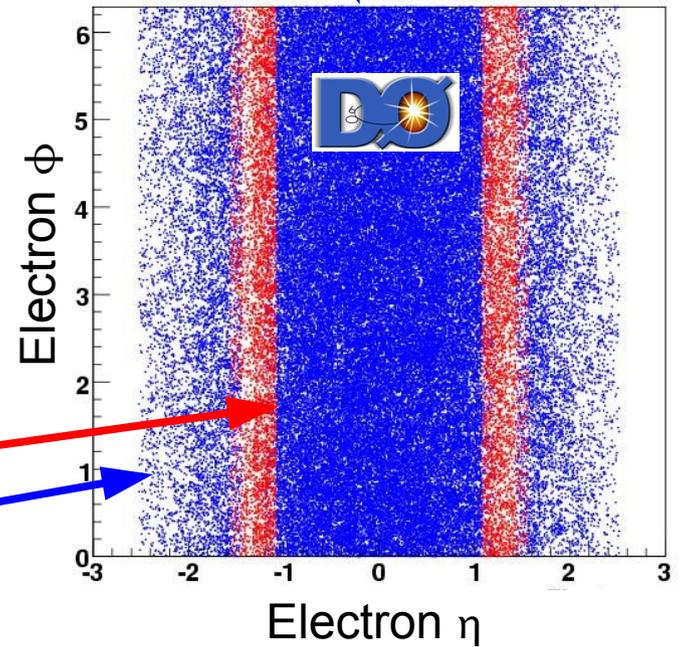
Use specialized lepton ID  
to improve acceptance



Inter Cryostat Region

End Calorimeter

Central Calorimeter





# Resolving the Mass Peak

- For  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ , dijet mass is the key variable
- Better mass resolution gives better sensitivity
- In  $lbb$  channels expect minimal missing  $E_T$ 
  - Exploit to improve jet energy measurement

