

Resultados da pesquisa do bosão de Higgs no LHC

Observação de uma nova partícula com uma massa de 125 GeV

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Why to search for the Higgs boson?



What is the Higgs boson?

The screenshot shows a Google search results page. The search query "what is the higgs boson" is entered in the search bar. Below the search bar, there is a "Search" button and a link to "About 4,150,000 results (0.13 seconds)". To the right of the search results, the text "4,15 milhões respostas" is displayed.

Wikipedia:

The Higgs boson is a hypothetical elementary particle predicted by the Standard Model (SM) of particle physics.

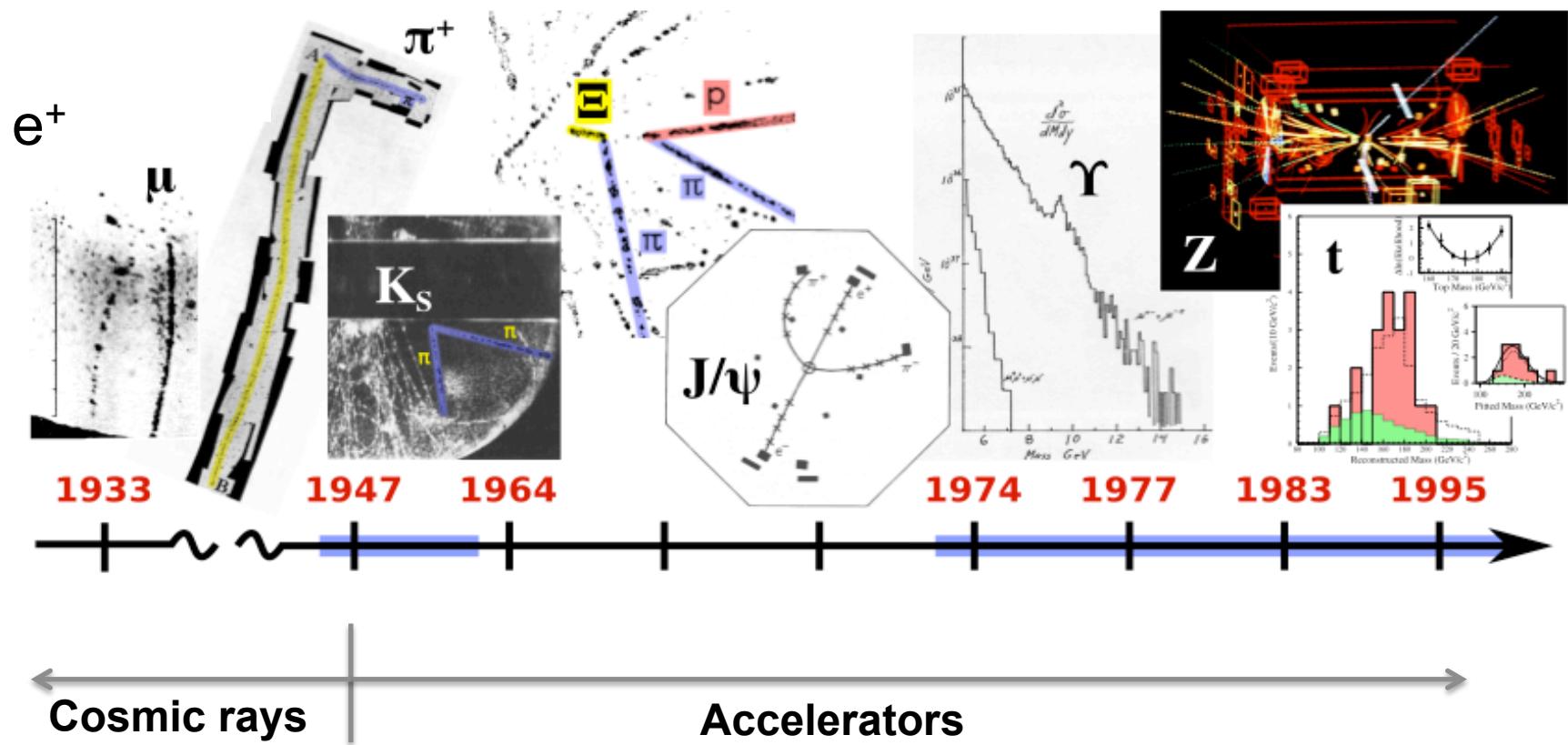
It belongs to a class of **particles** known as **bosons**, characterized by an integer value of their **spin quantum number**.

The **Higgs field** is a **quantum field** with a non-zero value that fills all of space, and explains why fundamental particles such as **quarks** and **electrons** have **mass**.

XXth century: The Standard Model of Particles



From X-rays and radioactivity to the Higgs boson



Quantum
Field Theory

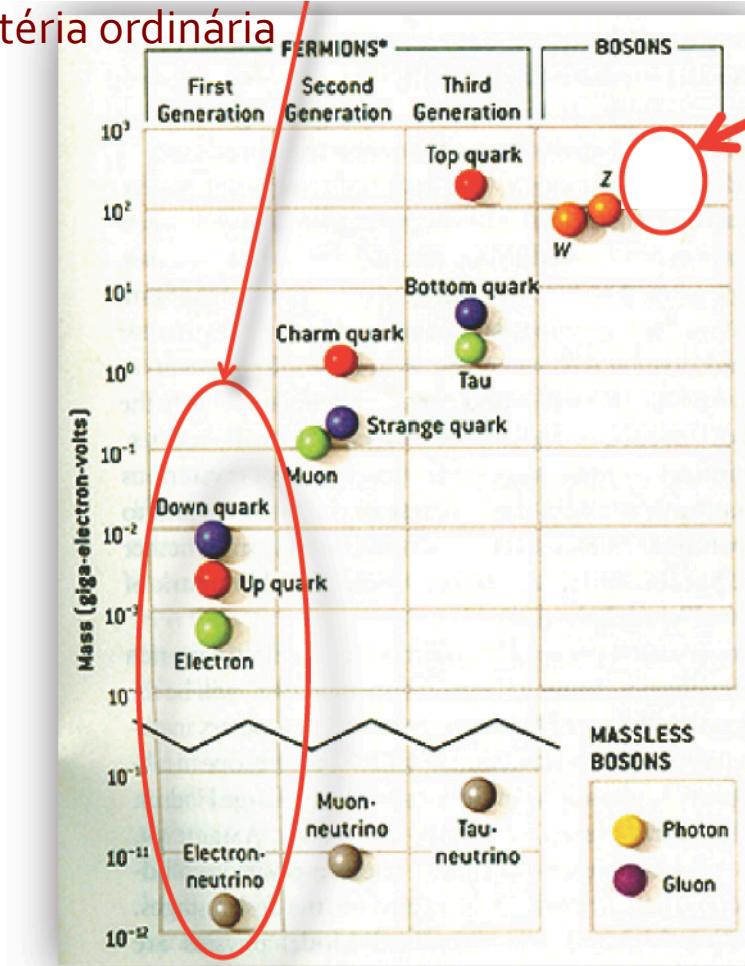
The Quark
Model

Electroweak
Theory

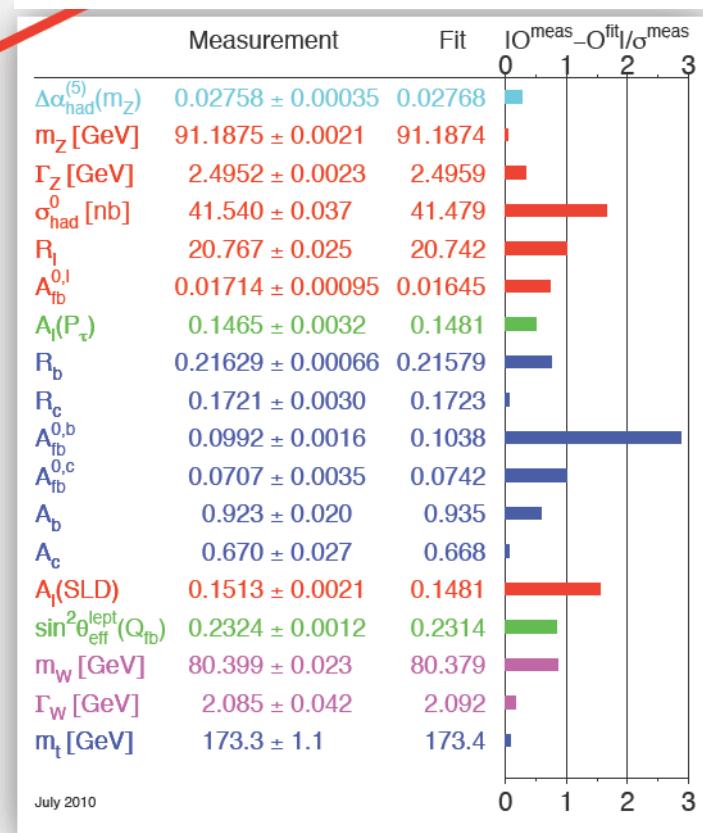
The Standard Model

Teoria que descreve as partículas fundamentais e as suas interacções
Acordo extraordinário com todos os resultados experimentais conhecidos

Matéria ordinária



1 Elemento em falta: Higgs



Confirmado com precisão melhor que 1%



Fermions and Bosons

Fermions:

- spin is semi-integer
- only one fermion can occupy a particular quantum state at any given time
- particles of matter
- **Examples:** electron, muons, quark, neutrino (**spin $\frac{1}{2}$**)

Bosons:

- spin integer
- more than one boson can occupy the same quantum state
- mediators of forces
- **Examples:** photon, W boson, Z boson , gluon (**spin 1**)

Higgs boson has spin 0



Higgs: Partícula ou Campo?

Princípio básico da teoria quântica:
A cada partícula está associado um campo

Prémio Nobel de Einstein:

Ondas de luz consistem em corpúsculos de energia (quanta) designados por fotões

Em geral, o campo electromagnético (ondas rádio, micro-ondas, luz, raios-X) consiste em fotões.

Partícula de Higgs \leftrightarrow Campo de Higgs

Campo electromagnético

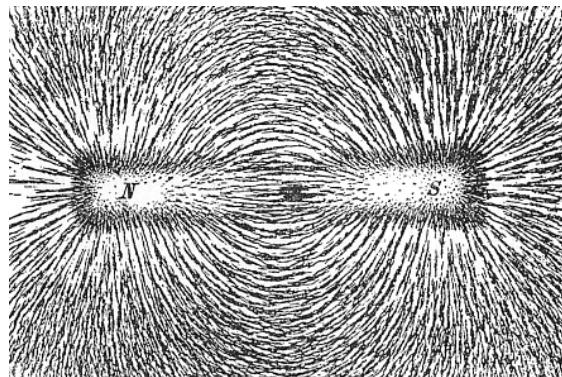
Campos de forças eléctricas ou magnéticas são manifestações diferentes de um único **campo de forças electromagnéticas**

Equações de Maxwell, século XIX

Ondas rádio



Forças magnéticas



Luz



O que é a massa?

A massa é uma propriedade básica dos constituintes elementares da matéria (partículas)

Sem massa não haveria átomos, planetas, galáxias, Universo

Einstein: partículas sem massa ($m=0$) deslocam-se à velocidade da luz



Caso de partícula ao repouso:

$$E=mc^2 : \text{massa} = \text{energia} \quad (c = \text{velocidade da luz})$$

No caso geral:

$$E^2 = (mc^2)^2 + (pc)^2 \quad \text{energia de massa} + \text{energia cinética}$$

Fotões e outras partículas sem massa: $E=pc$

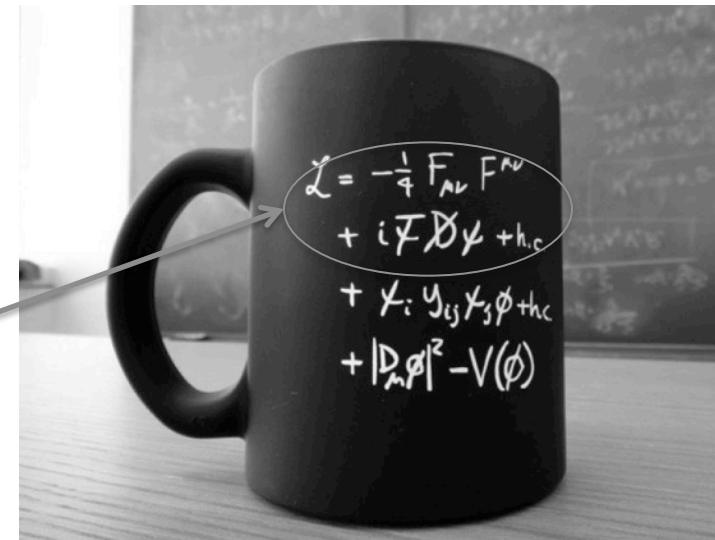
Electroweak unification



Weak forces: radioactivity, neutrinos, Sun

Electromagnetic and **weak forces** have the same origin

The **electroweak theory** is based in a **underlying symmetry** between the two interactions



Electromagnetic interaction:

Photon m=0

Weak interaction:

Bosons W e Z m~80-90 GeV

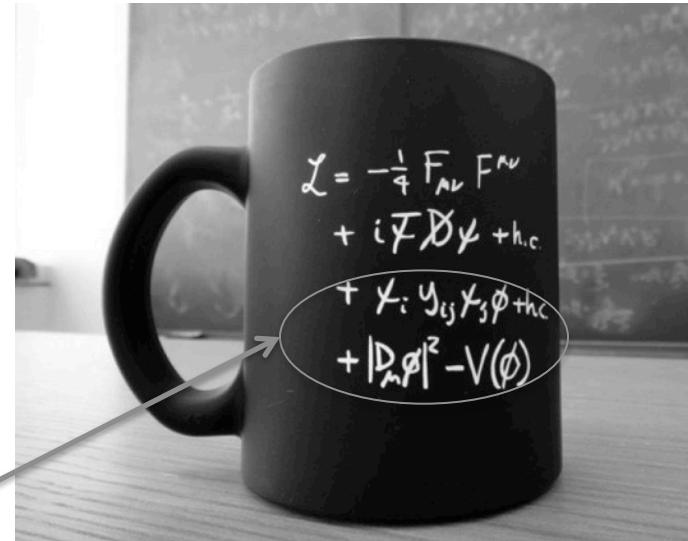
Different masses of γ ,
W and Z breaks the
symmetry

O Higgs e a origem da massa

As equações da teoria inicial só faziam sentido se todas as partículas tivessem massa nula e se deslocassem à velocidade da luz

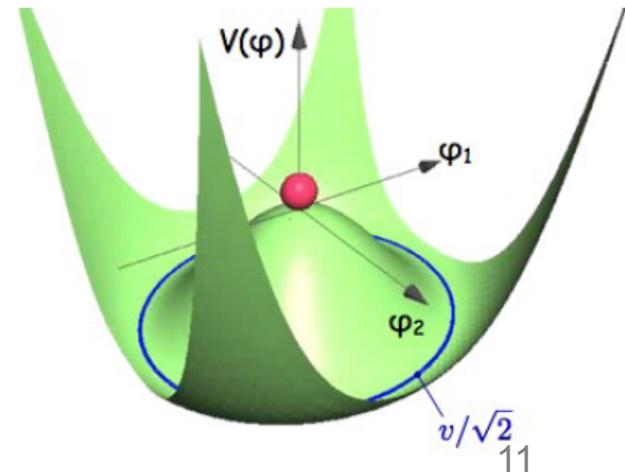
Mecanismo de quebra espontânea de simetria

Englert-Brout
Higgs
Guralnik-Hagen-Kibble



Campo de Higgs nas equações:

- Quebra espontânea da simetria no mínimo de energia
- O campo de Higgs existe em todo o espaço
- As partículas W, Z adquirem massa através da interacção com o campo de Higgs.



Beyond the Higgs

Higgs mass is a huge problem:

- Virtual SM particles in quantum loops contribute to the Higgs mass
- Contributions grow with Λ (upper scale of validity of the SM)
- Λ could be huge – e.g. the Plank scale (10^{19} GeV)
- Miraculous cancelations are needed to keep the Higgs mass < 1 TeV

This is known as the gauge hierarchy problem

$$m_h^2 = (m_h^2)_0 - \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \lambda^2 \Lambda^2 + \dots,$$

Beyond the Higgs:

New physics beyond the Standard Model is very likely
Supersymmetry, hidden dimensions of space-time, ...



How to search for the Higgs boson?



A escala de energia do LHC

Modelo Standard não funciona a alta energia sem a partícula de Higgs ou sem outra “nova física”

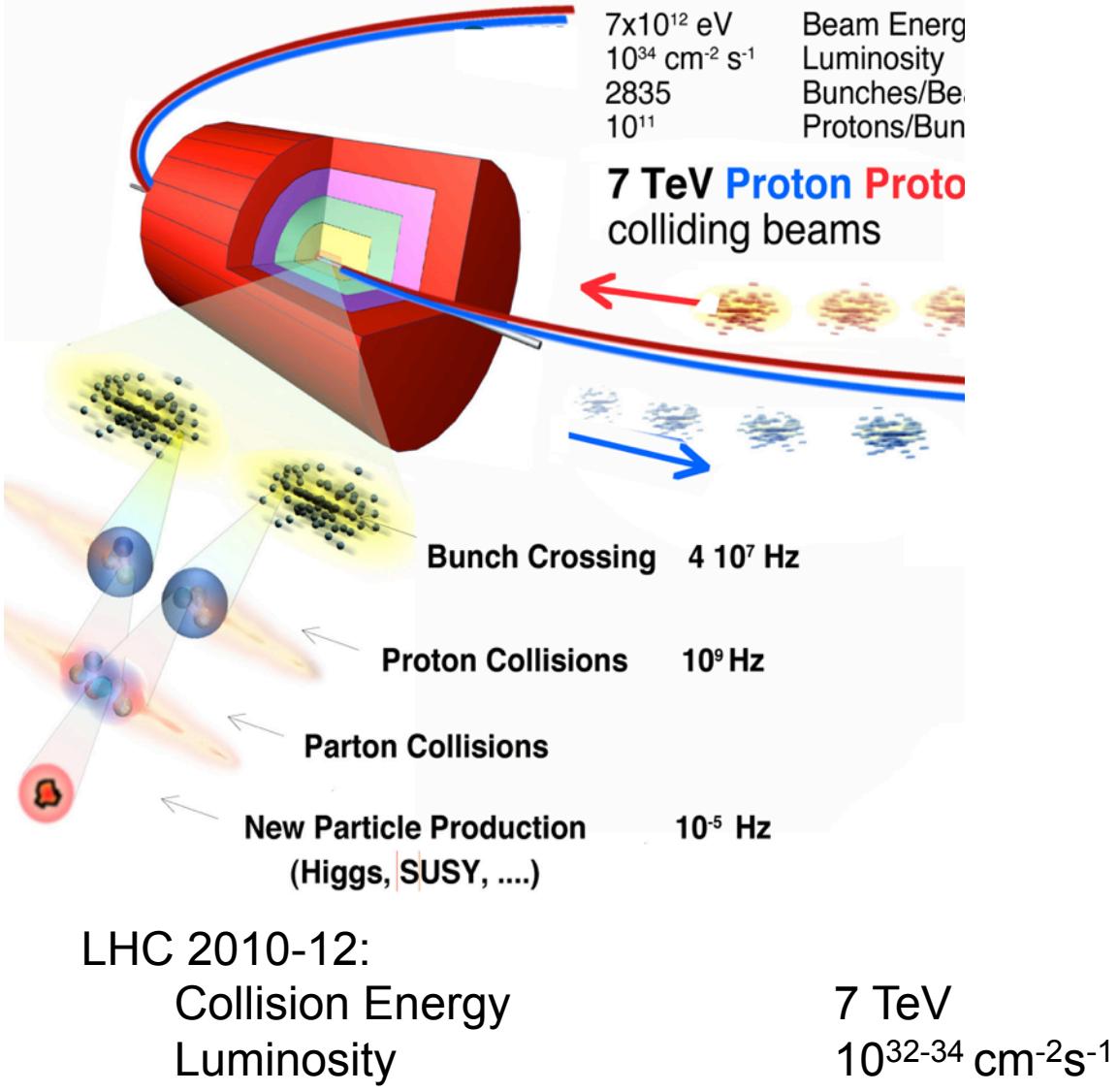
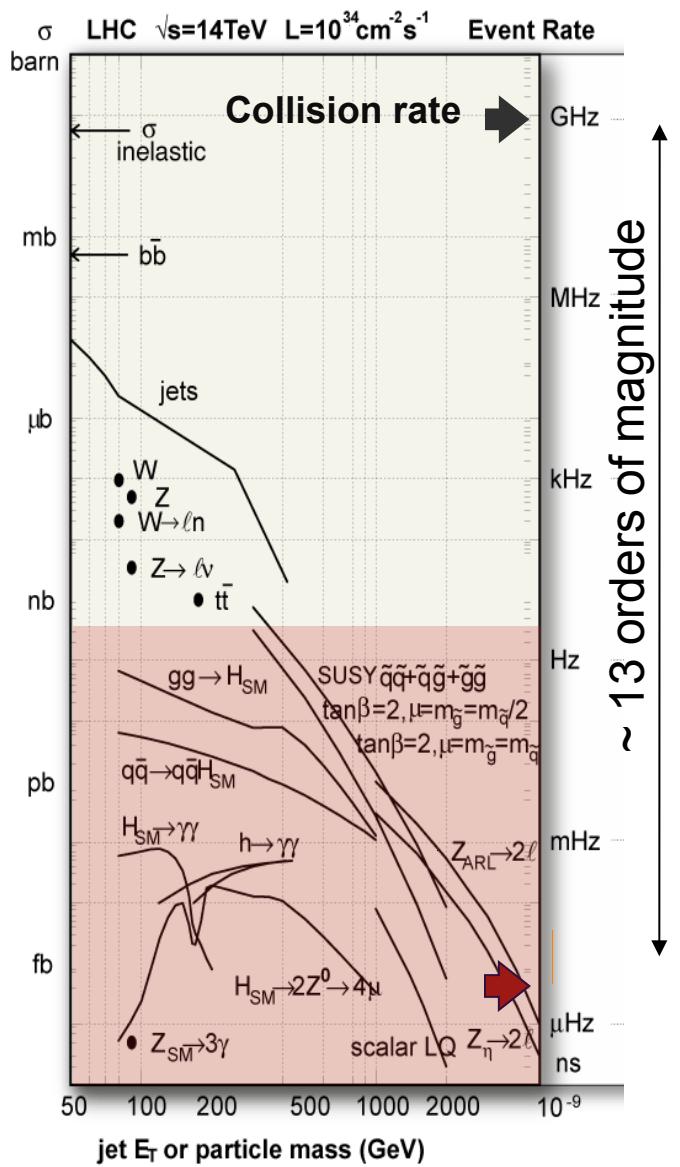
Com base na compreensão presente da teoria e das observações experimentais, esperamos que a “nova física” se manifeste a uma energia inferior a

1 Tera-electronVolt (TeV) = 10^{12} electronVolt

acessível no LHC pela primeira vez.

A massa do Higgs deve ser inferior a 1TeV

Proton collisions at LHC

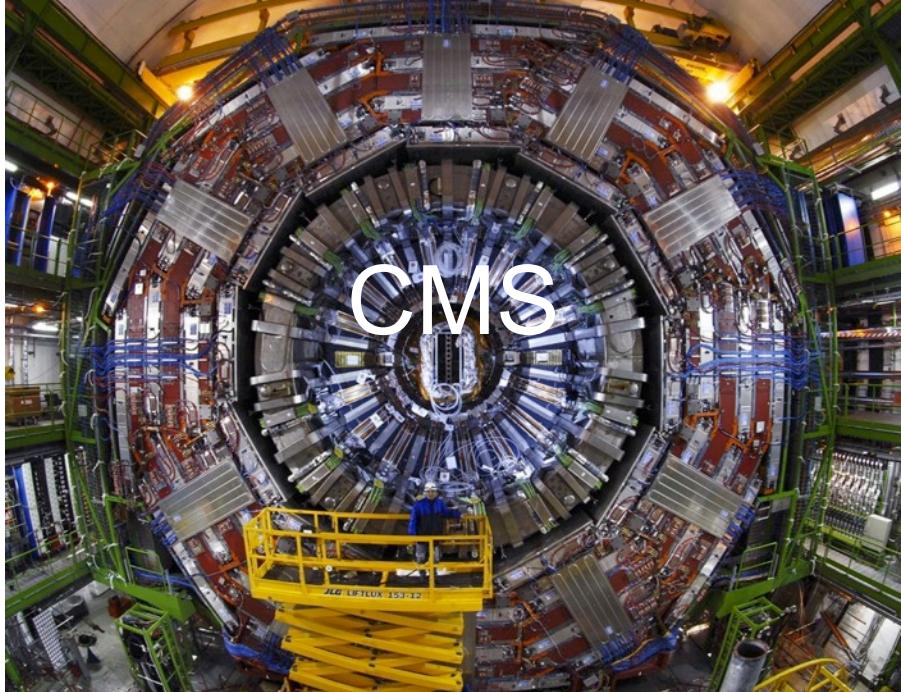
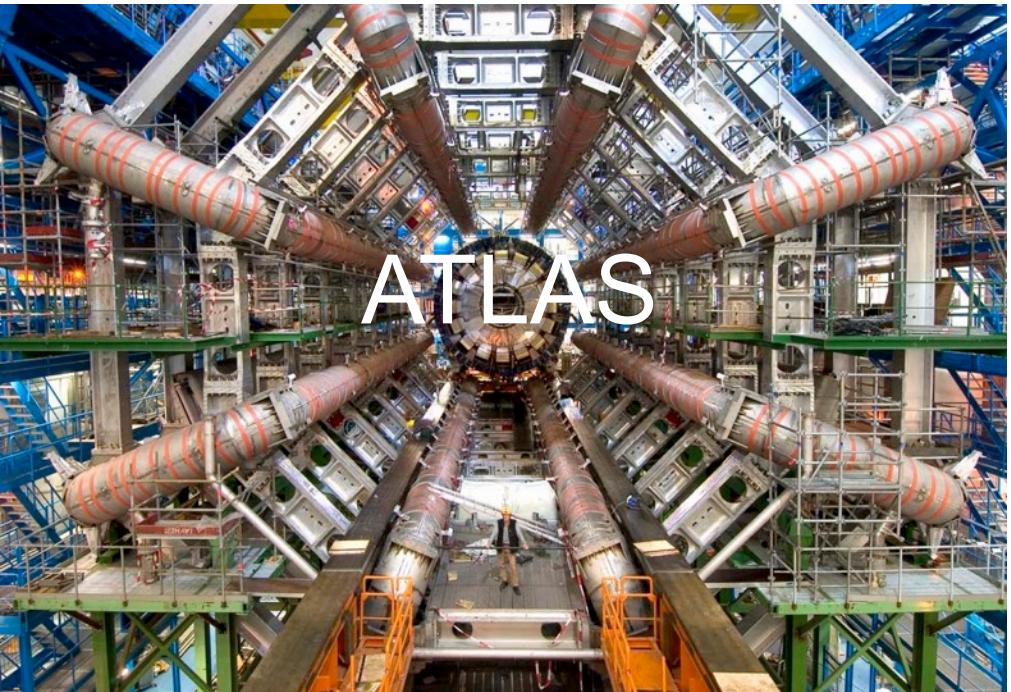




LHC accelerator

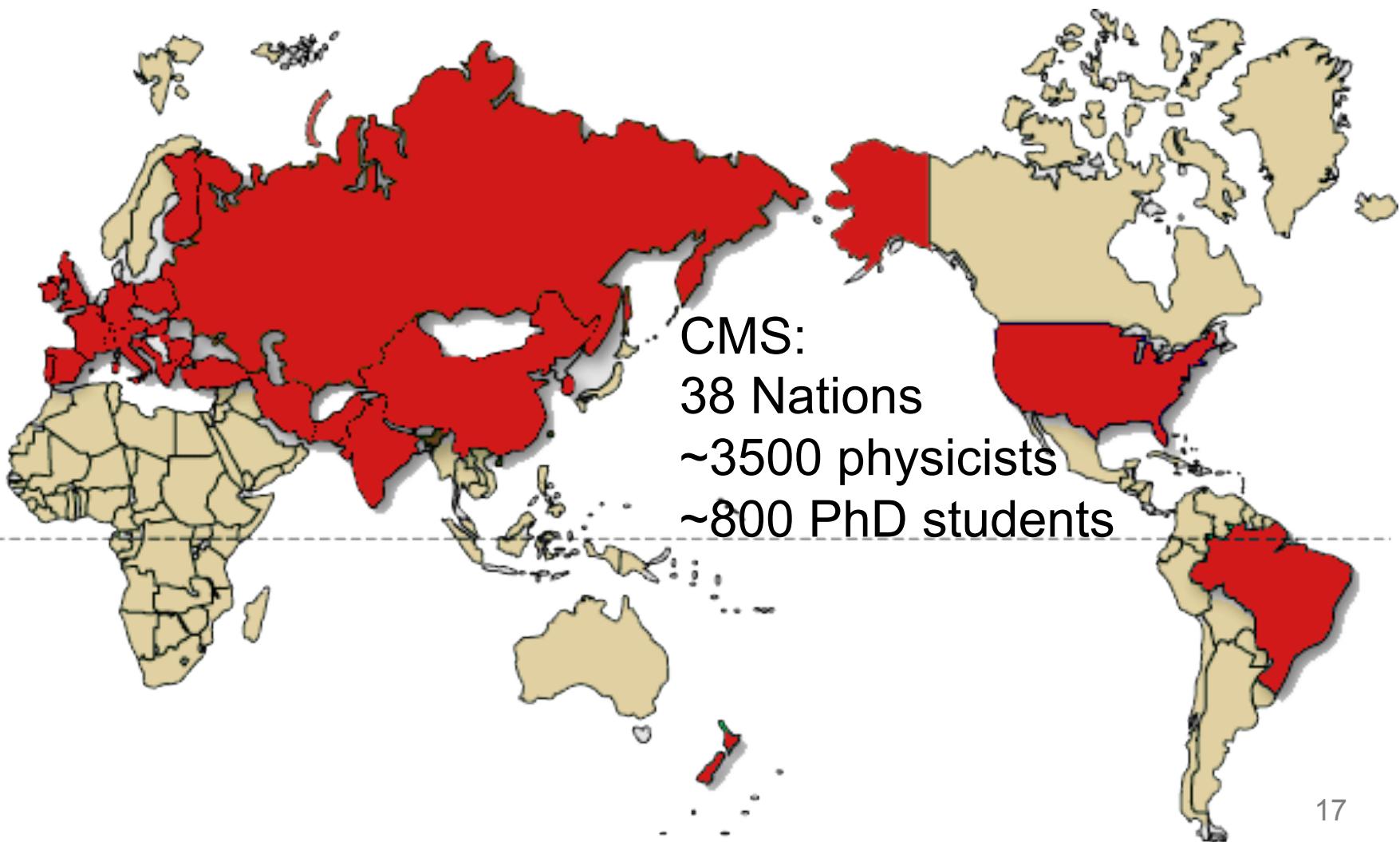


LHC Detectors





World-wide collaborations



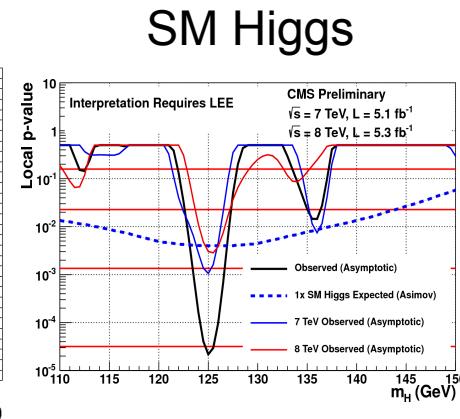
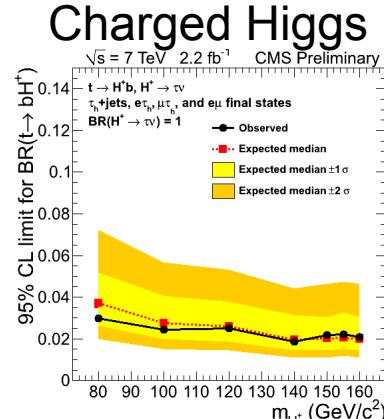
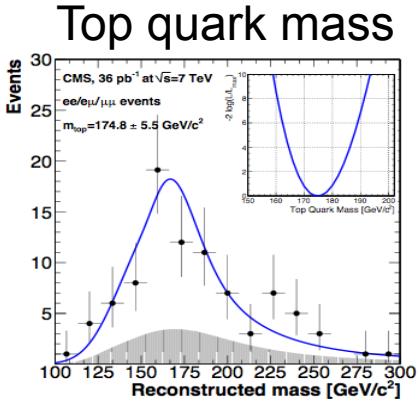
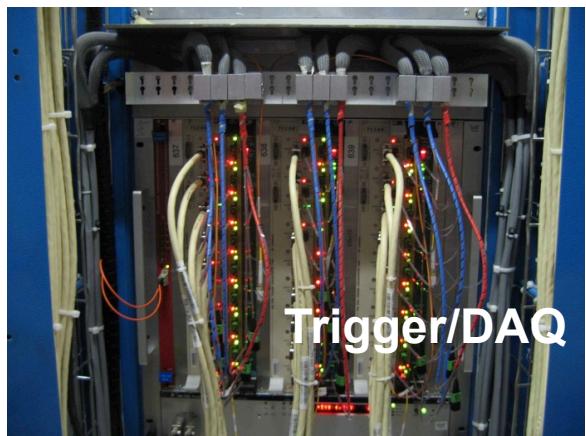
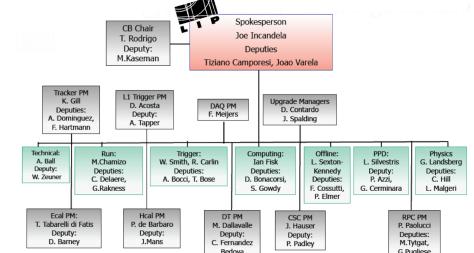
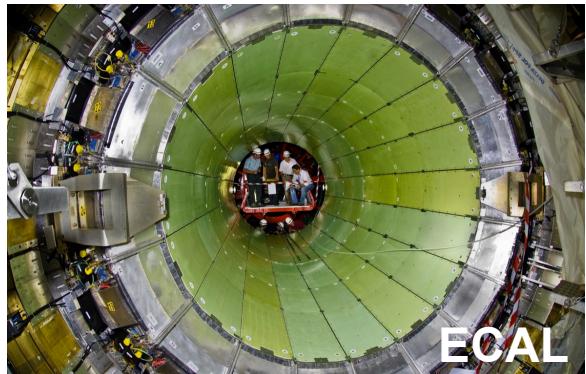
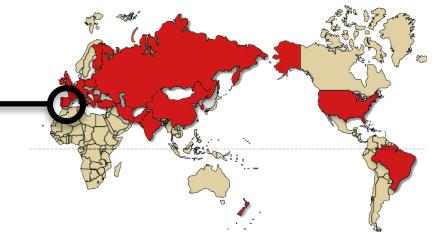
CMS Collaboration



Only ~15%

The LIP/CMS group

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It's collaborative!



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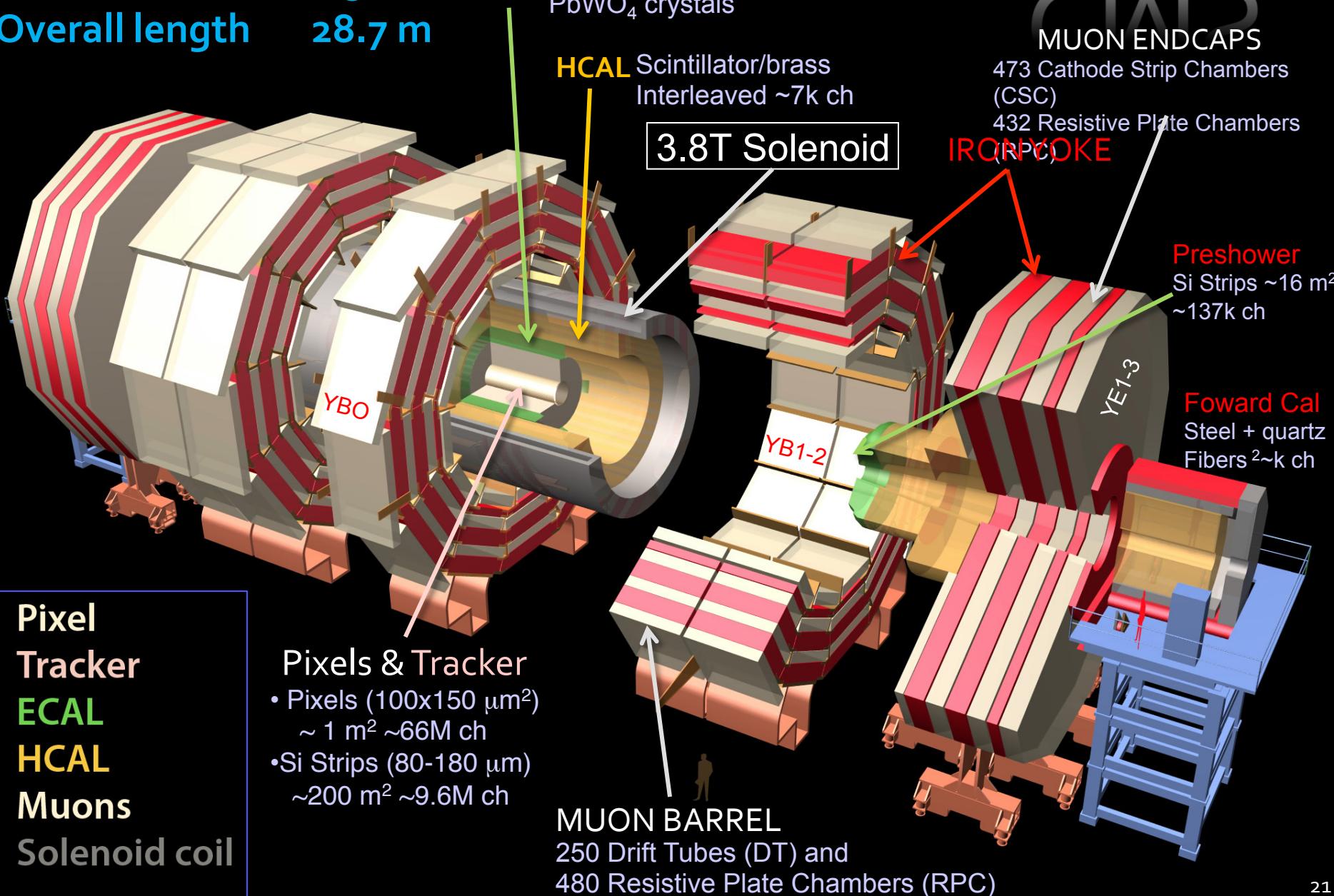
CERN's Collaborative Management Model

Business leaders could learn valuable leadership lessons from the collaborative management style at the Large Hadron Collider at CERN

By Krisztina Holly

As a business leader, imagine trying to manage more than 7,000 scientists from 85 countries around the world—with their own languages, cultures, and expertise—on a 20-year collaboration to create the most complex system ever built.

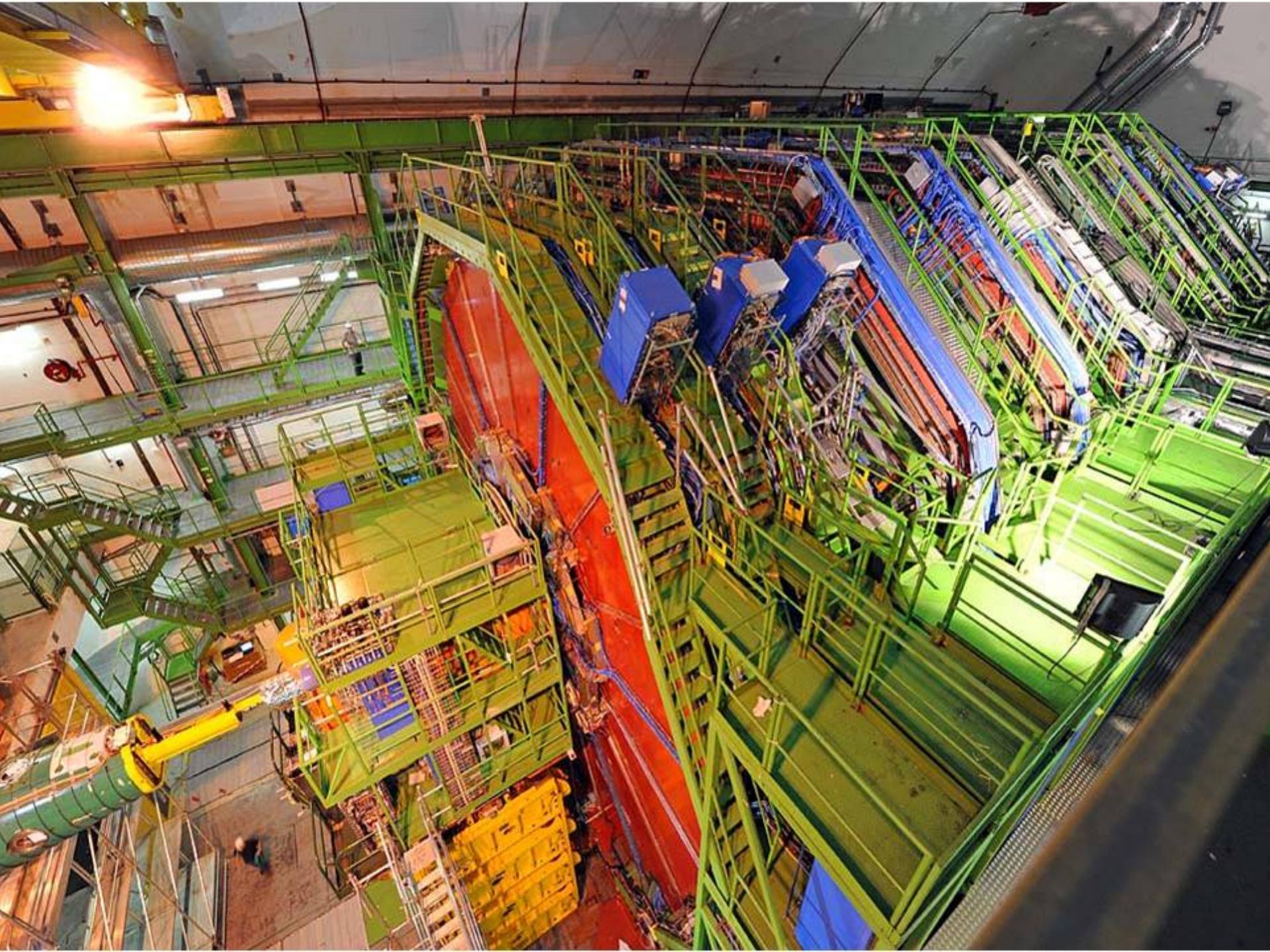
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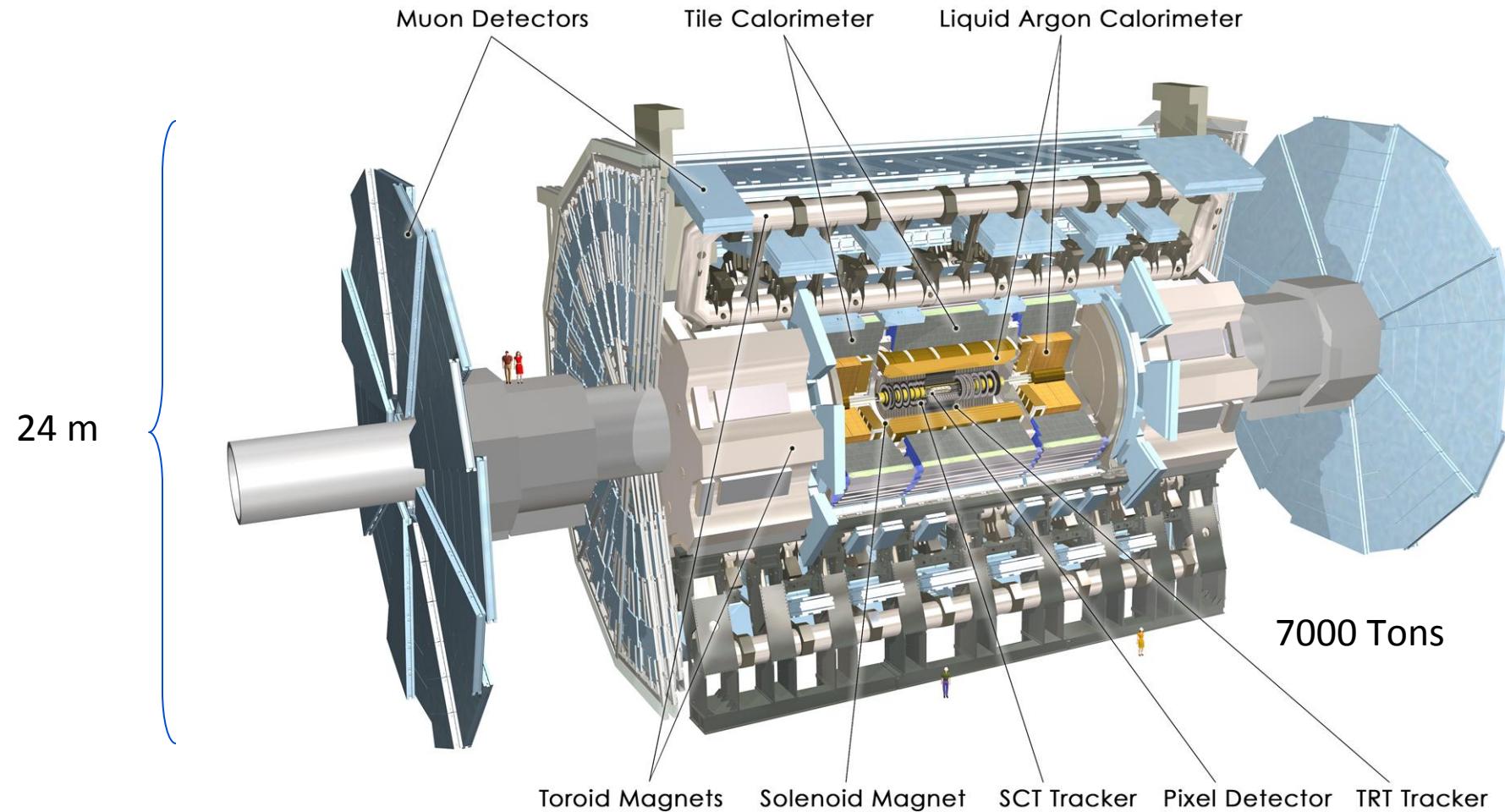
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Tracker
ECAL
HCAL
Muons
Solenoid coil

- Pixels & Tracker**
- Pixels (100x150 μm^2) ~1 m² ~66M ch
 - Si Strips (80-180 μm) ~200 m² ~9.6M ch

MUON BARREL
 250 Drift Tubes (DT) and
 480 Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC)



ATLAS detectors

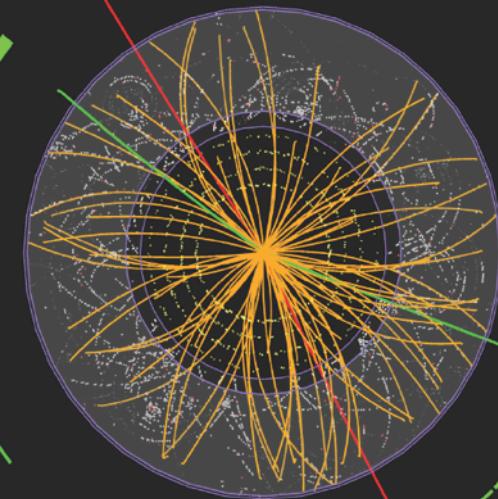
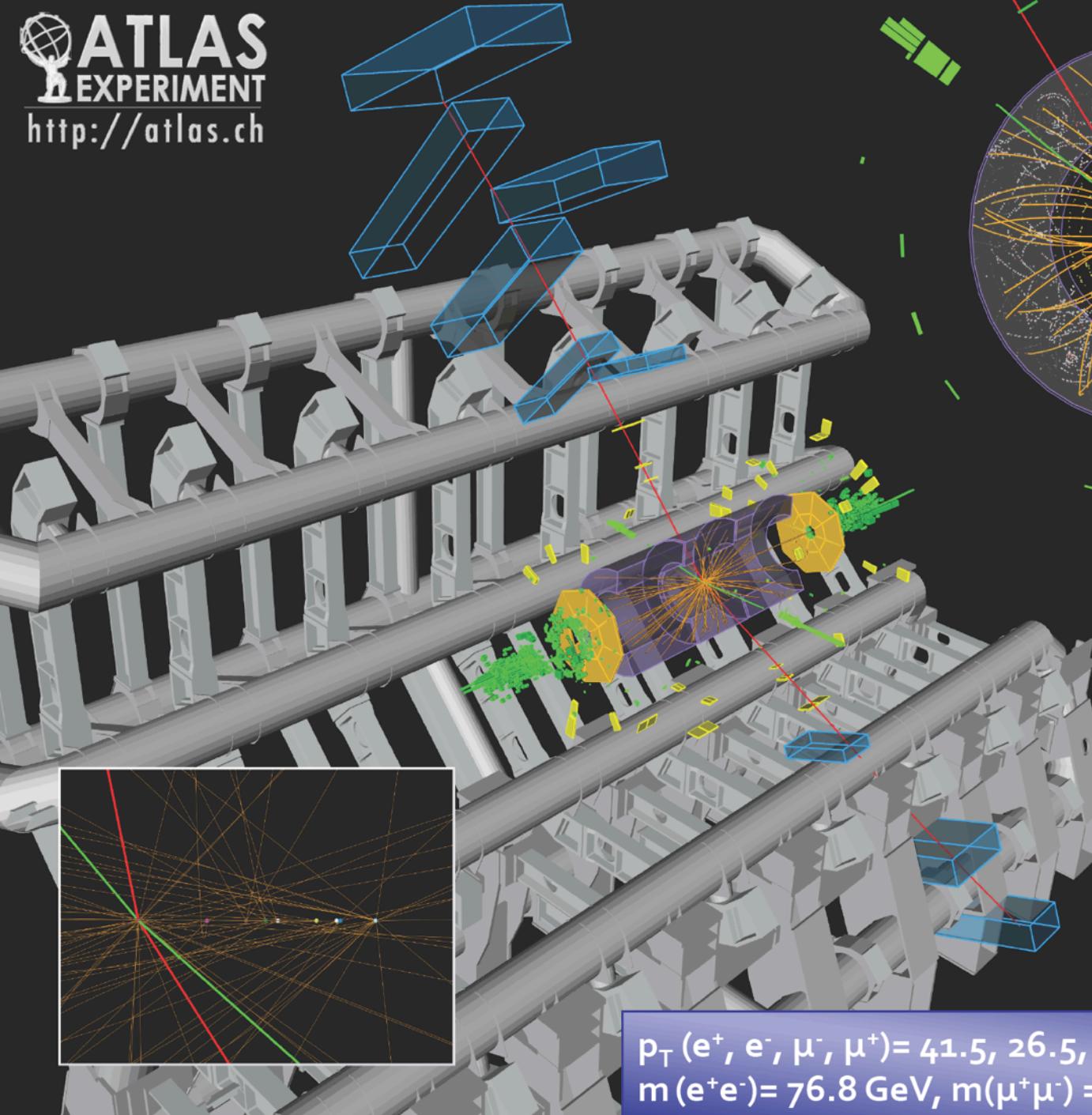


CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN

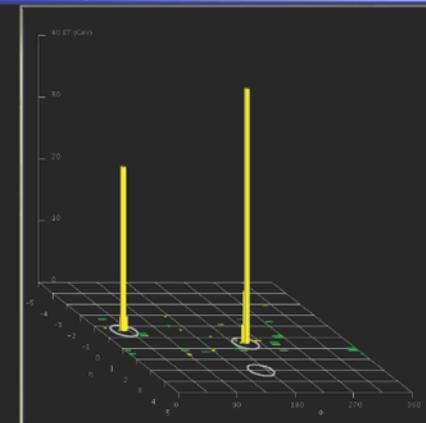
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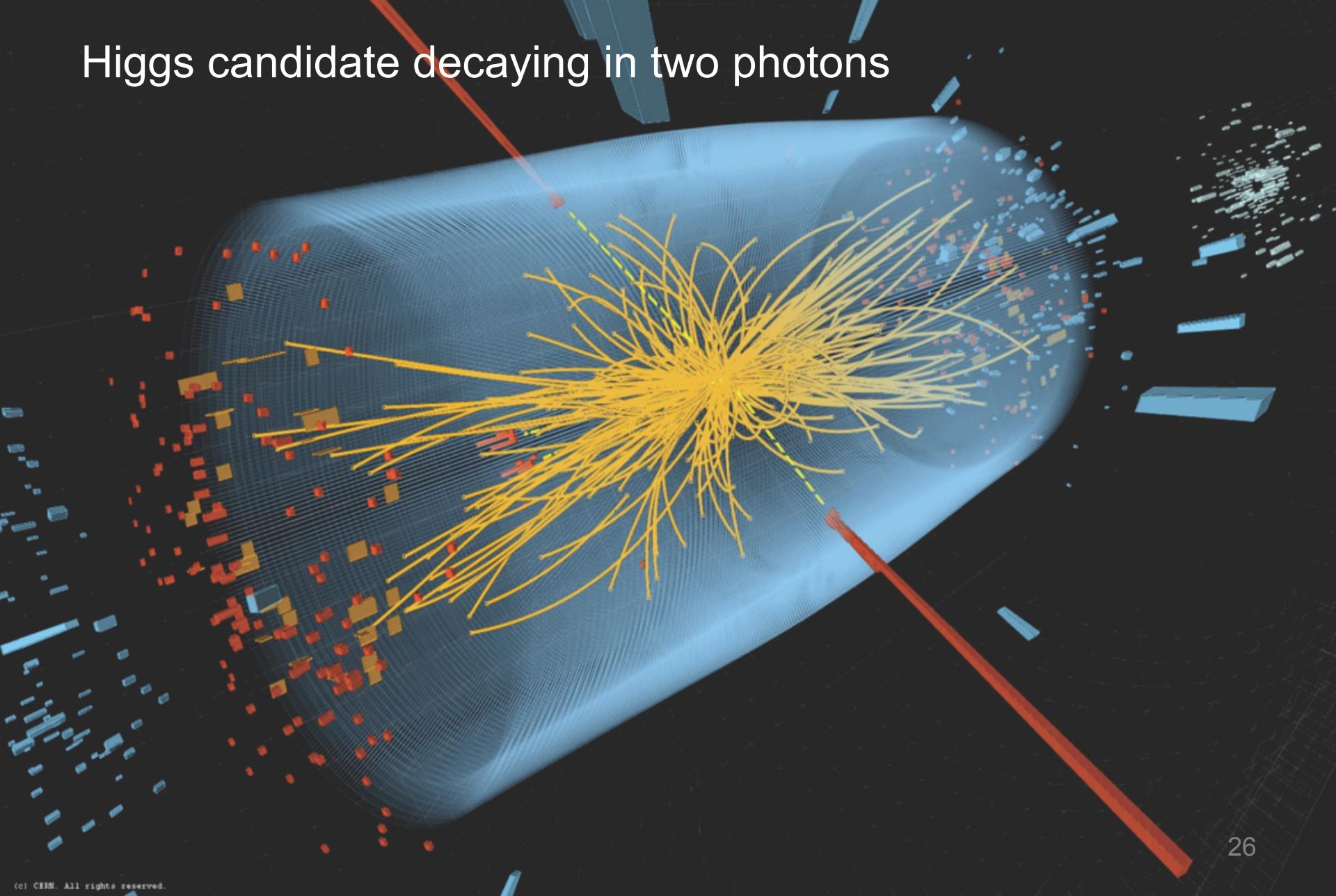


$2e2\mu$ candidate with
 $m_{2e2\mu} = 124.3 \text{ GeV}$



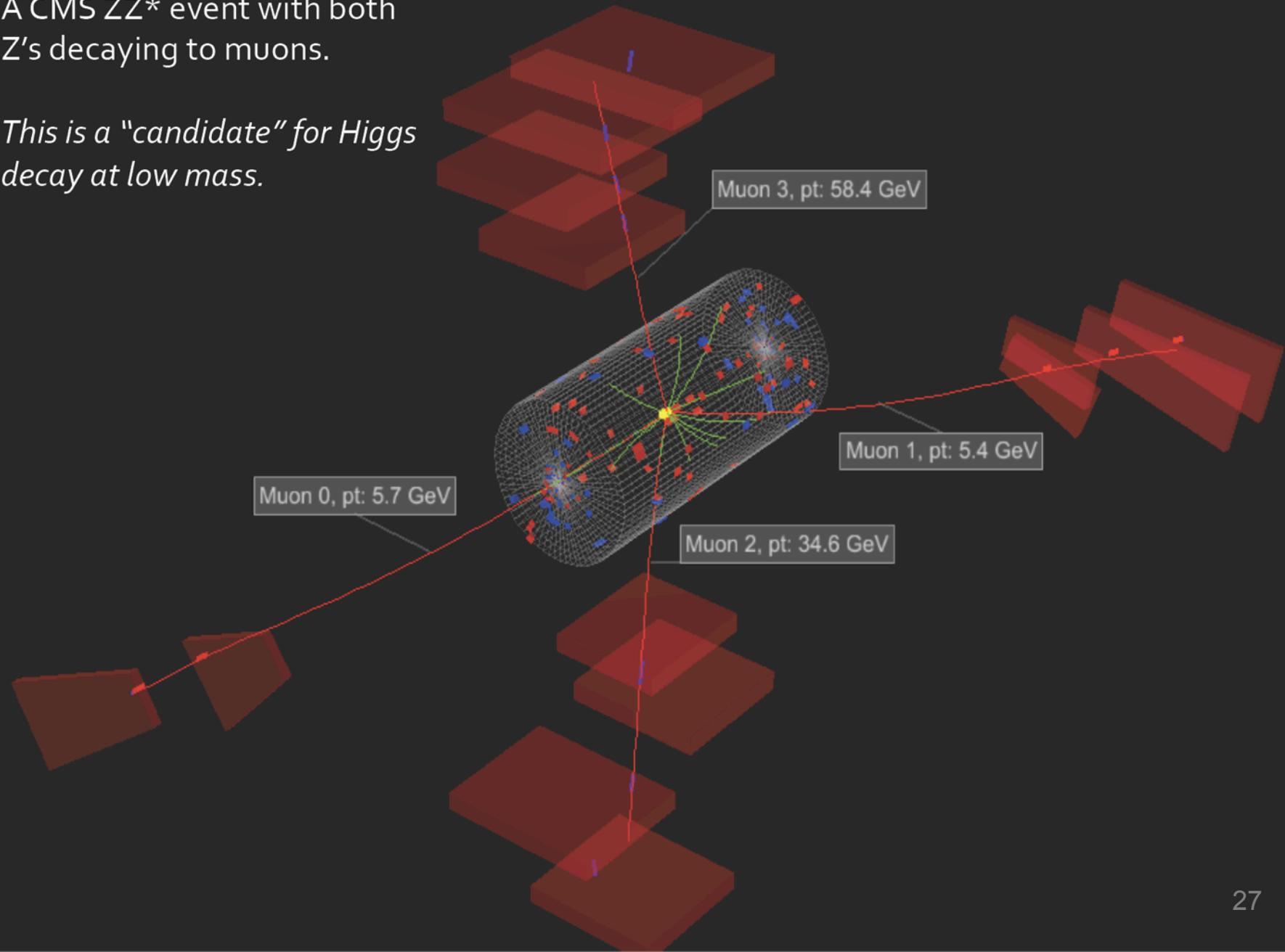
$p_T(e^+, e^-, \mu^-, \mu^+) = 41.5, 26.5, 24.7, 18.3 \text{ GeV}$
 $m(e^+e^-) = 76.8 \text{ GeV}, m(\mu^+\mu^-) = 45.7 \text{ GeV}$

Higgs candidate decaying in two photons



A CMS ZZ* event with both Z's decaying to muons.

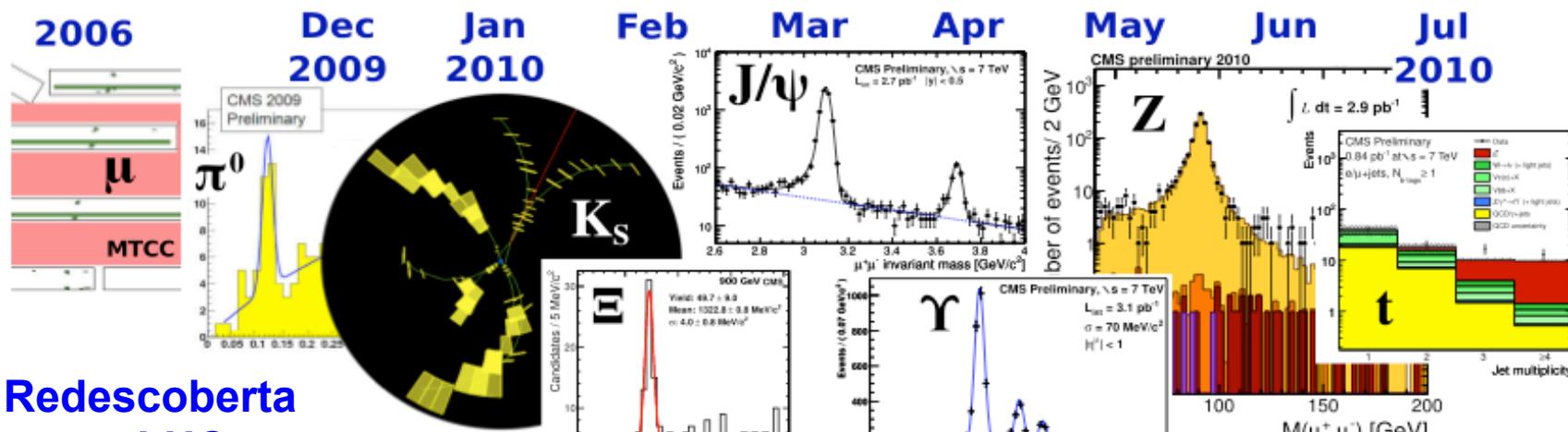
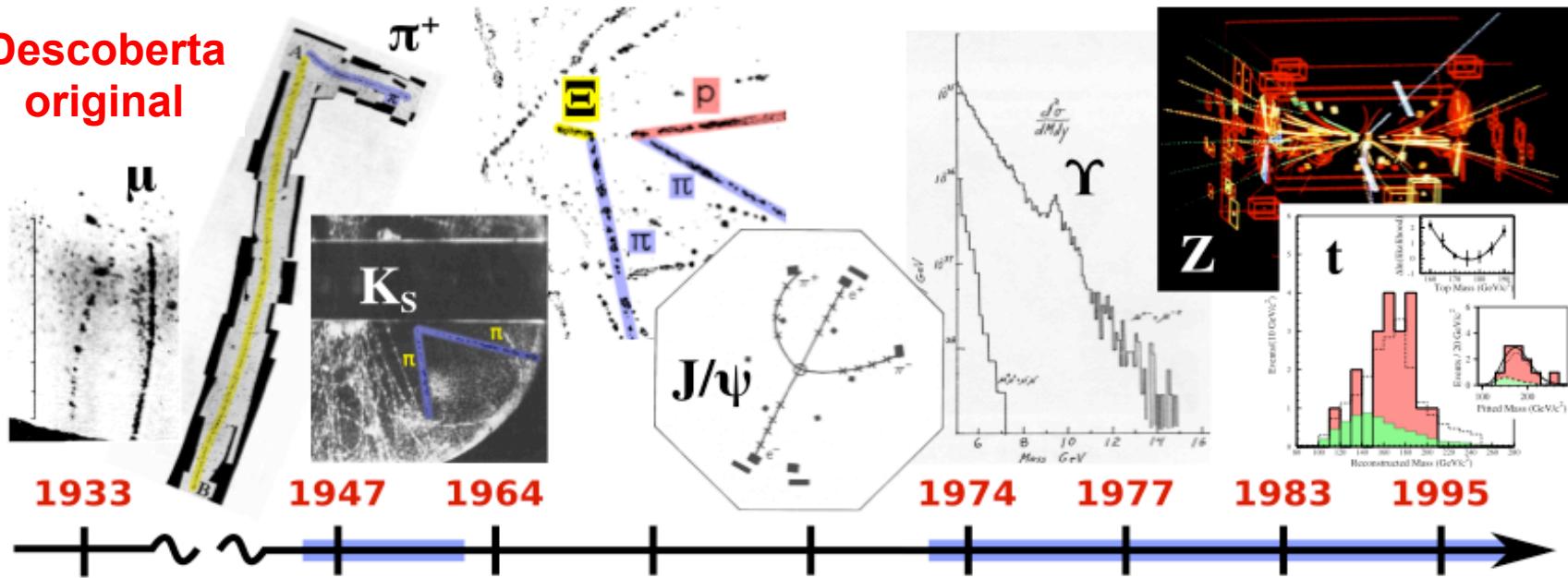
This is a "candidate" for Higgs decay at low mass.



Redescoberta do modelo standard no LHC

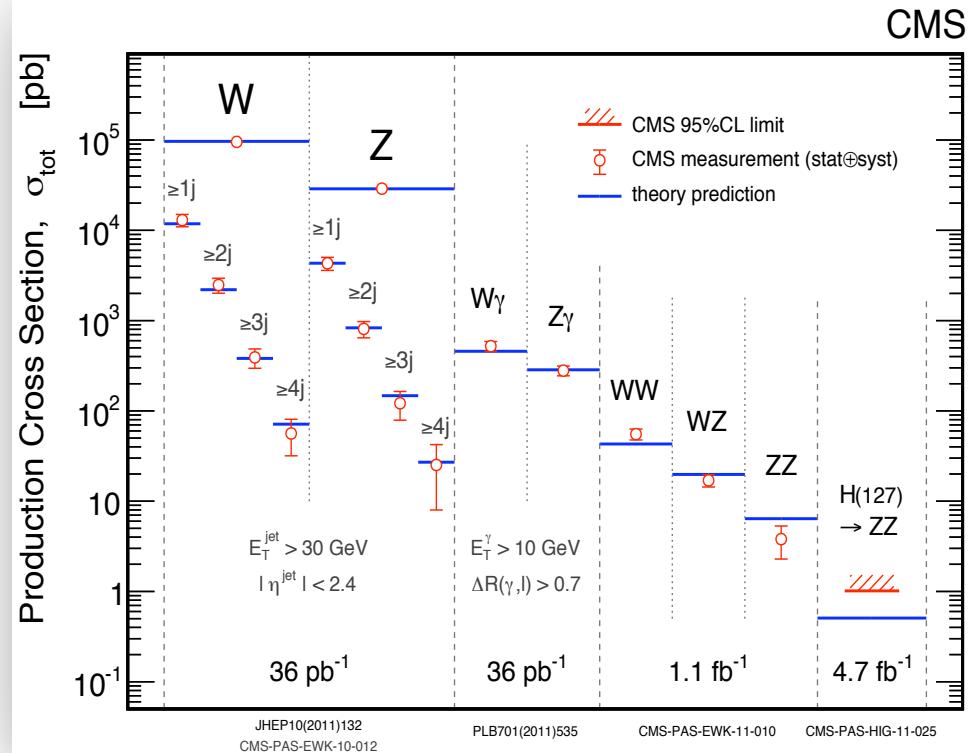
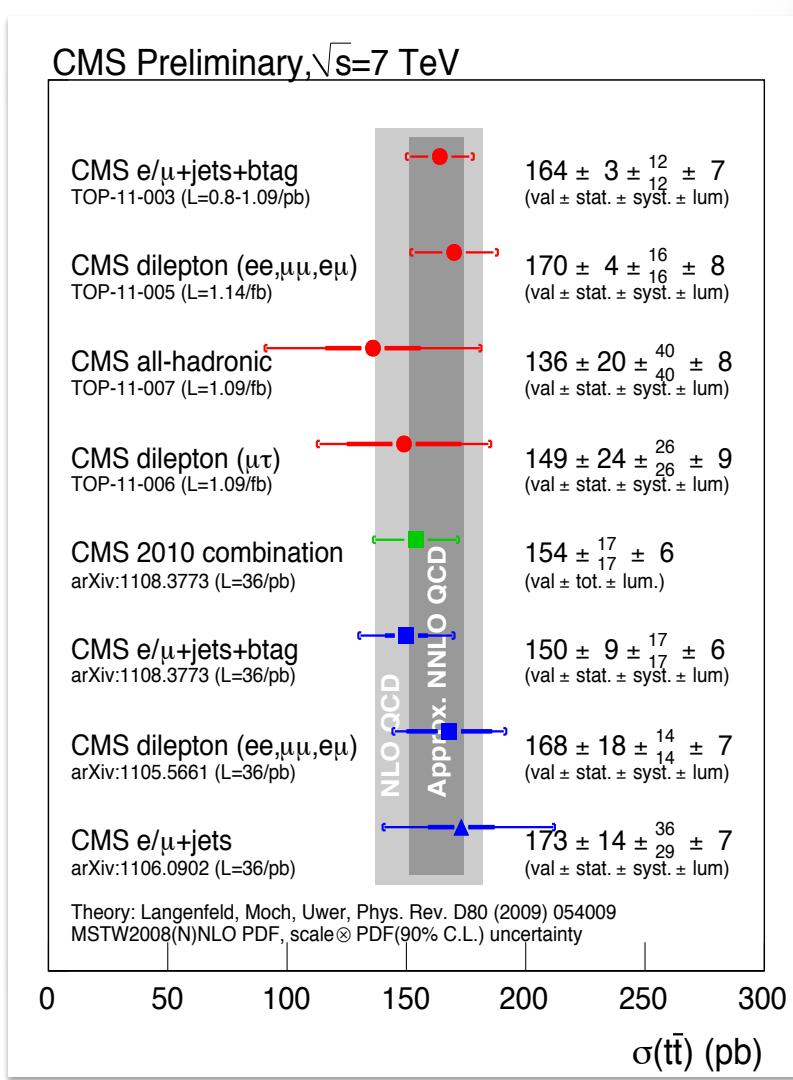


Descoberta original



Redescoberta no LHC

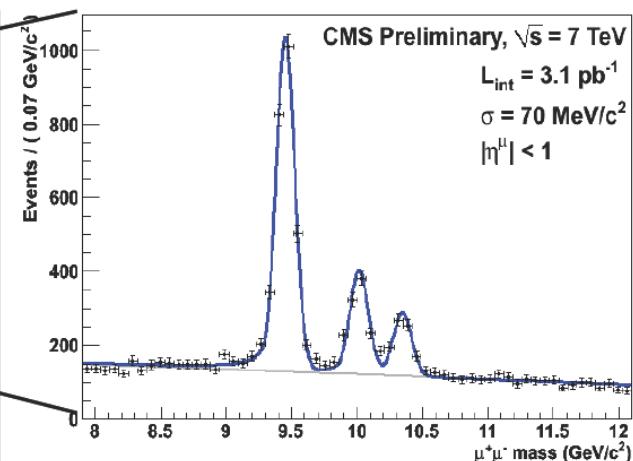
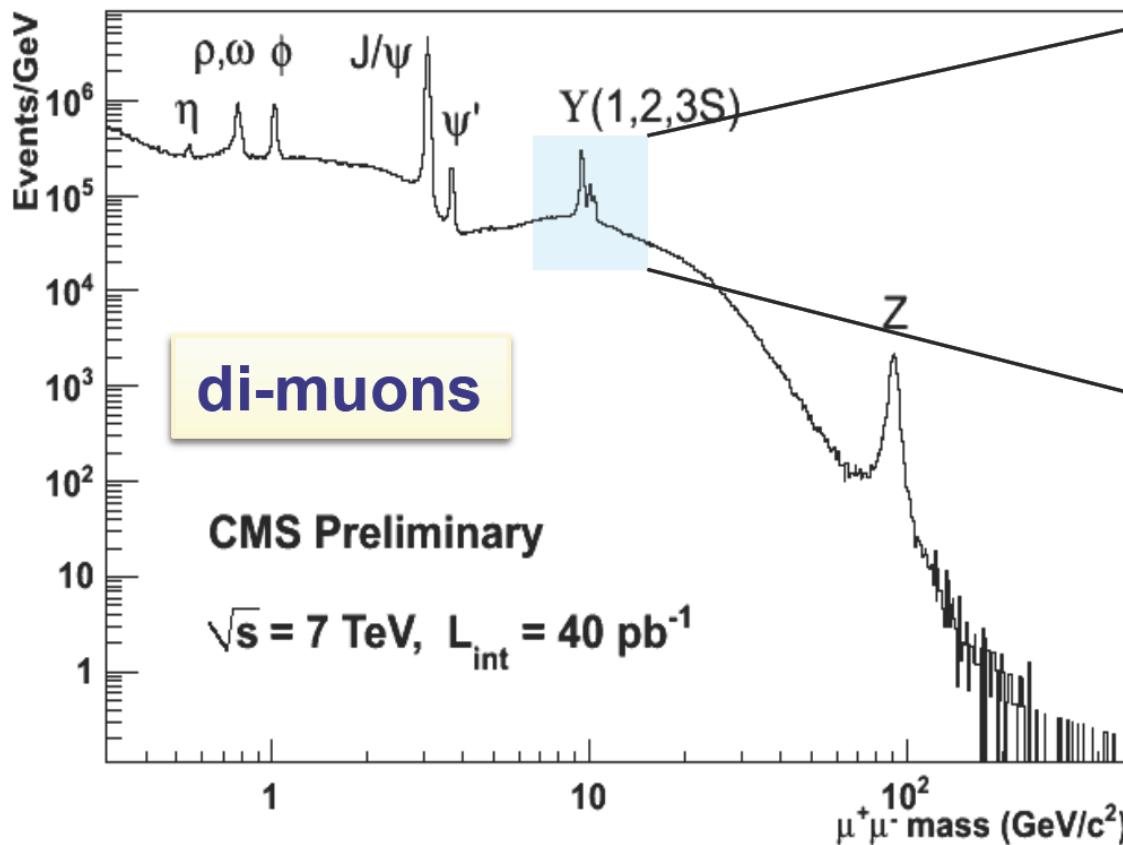
Standard Model at 7 TeV 2010-2011



- Fabulous agreement
- Lots of data
- ... on to the Higgs...

Espectro de massa de pares de muões

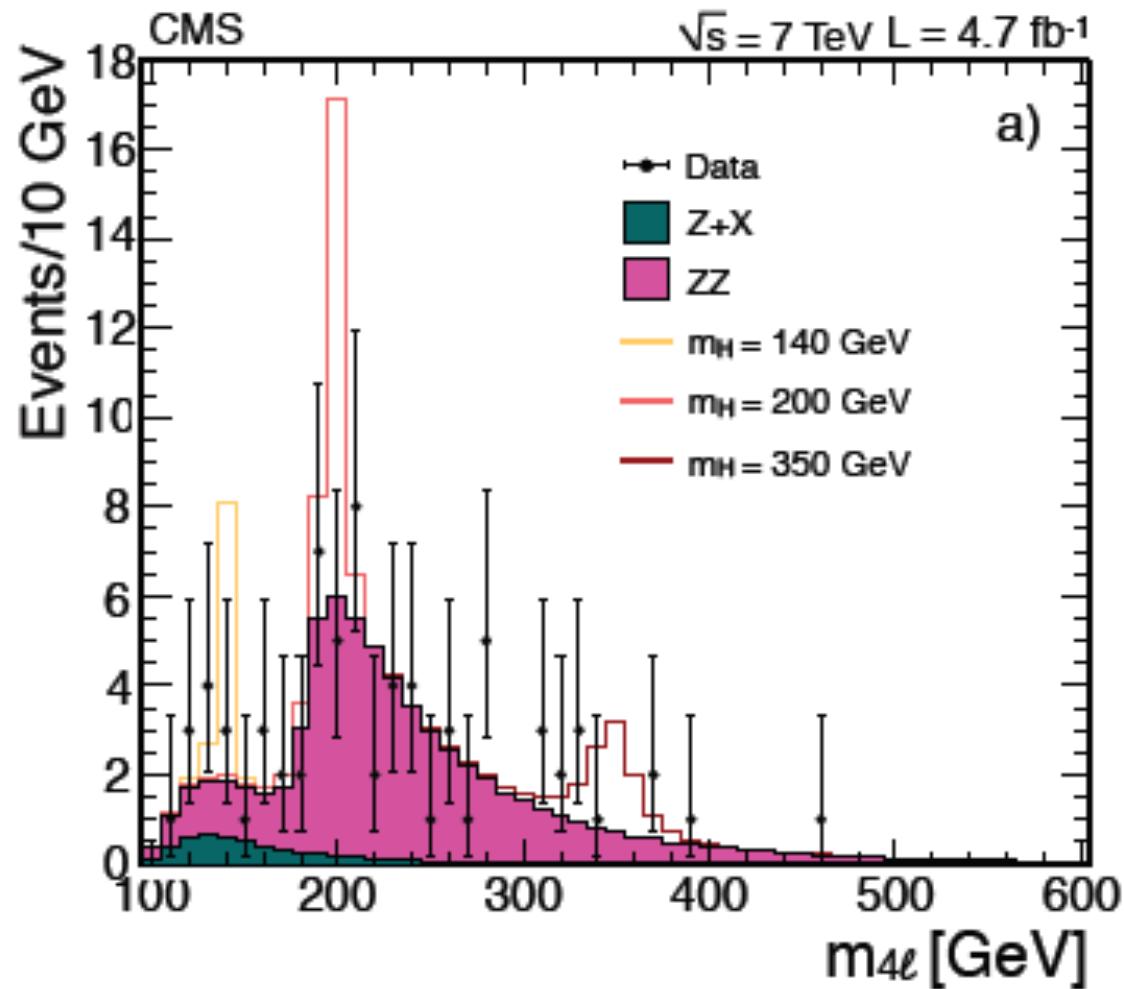
- Eventos com dois muões
- Pesquisa de partículas X que decaem em dois muões:
Calcula-se $m(X)$ a partir da energia-momento dos muões



Espectro de massa:
número de eventos
em função da massa

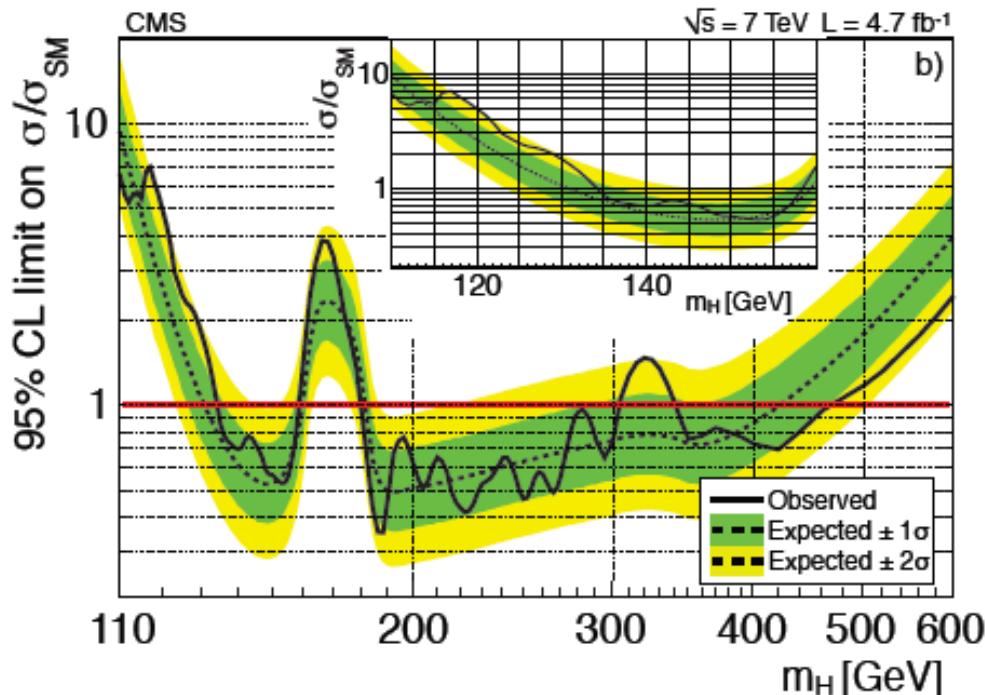
$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4 \text{ leptões}$

Espectro de massa de 4 leptões



Limites experimentais

Limites na secção eficaz (probabilidade) de produção do Higgs no canal $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4$ leptões



Secção eficaz medida,
relativa à secção eficaz
prevista no MS

$= 1$, a secção eficaz é com 95% de
confiança igual ou inferior ao MS

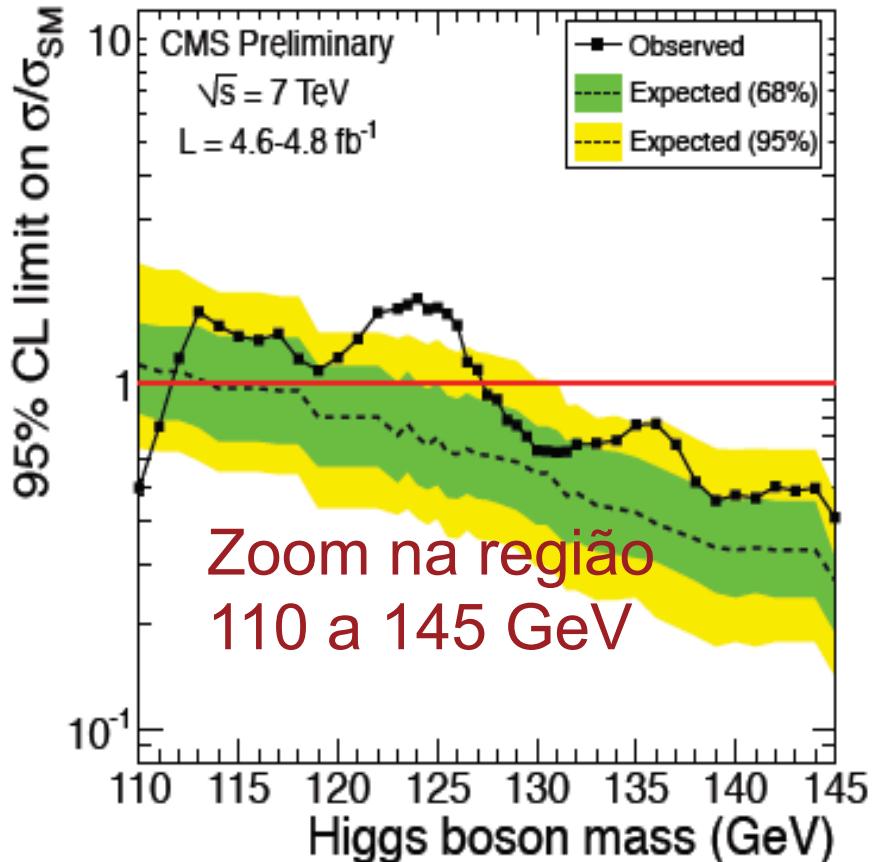
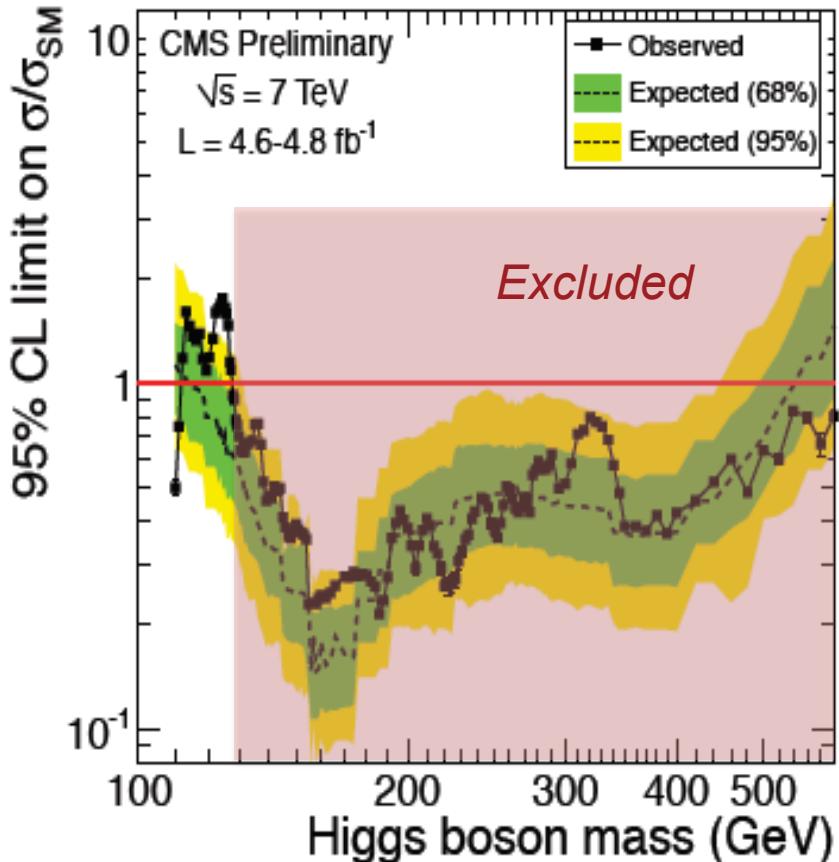
— limite medido experimentalmente

- - - - - limite esperado, obtido por simulação

■ bandas de incerteza no limite esperado (1 e 2 desvios padrão)

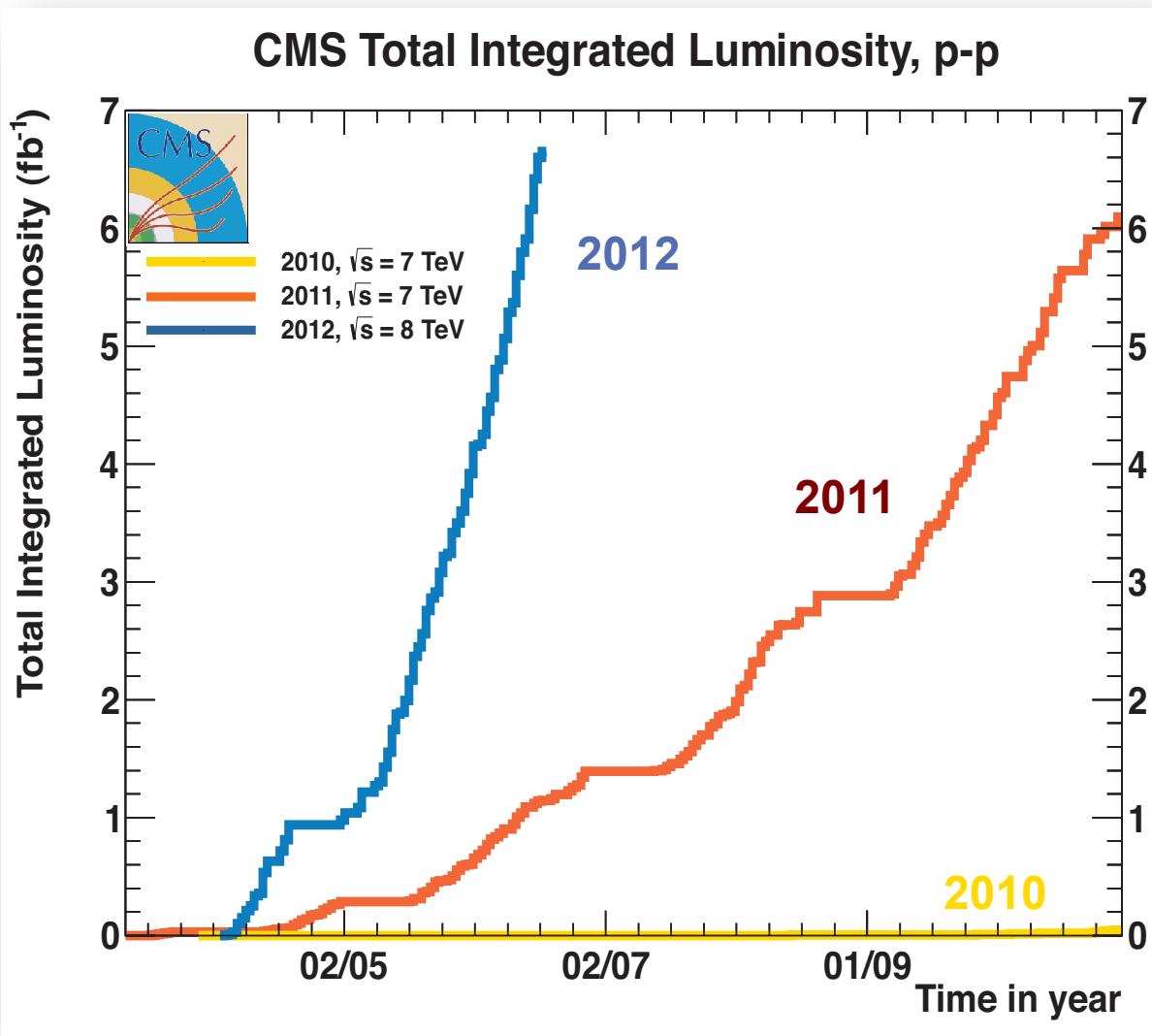
Higgs limits in 2011

Todos os canais combinados



Bosão de Higgs excluído 127.5 - 600 GeV

LHC performance: 2010-2011-2012



Stellar performance of the LHC enables all experiments to produce significant physics results

Many thanks to the LHC teams and the many others who made this possible!

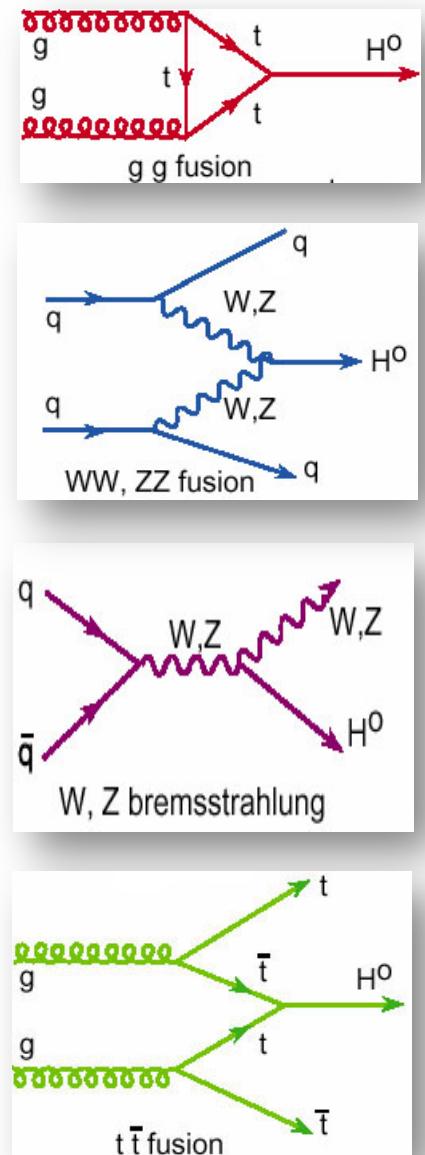
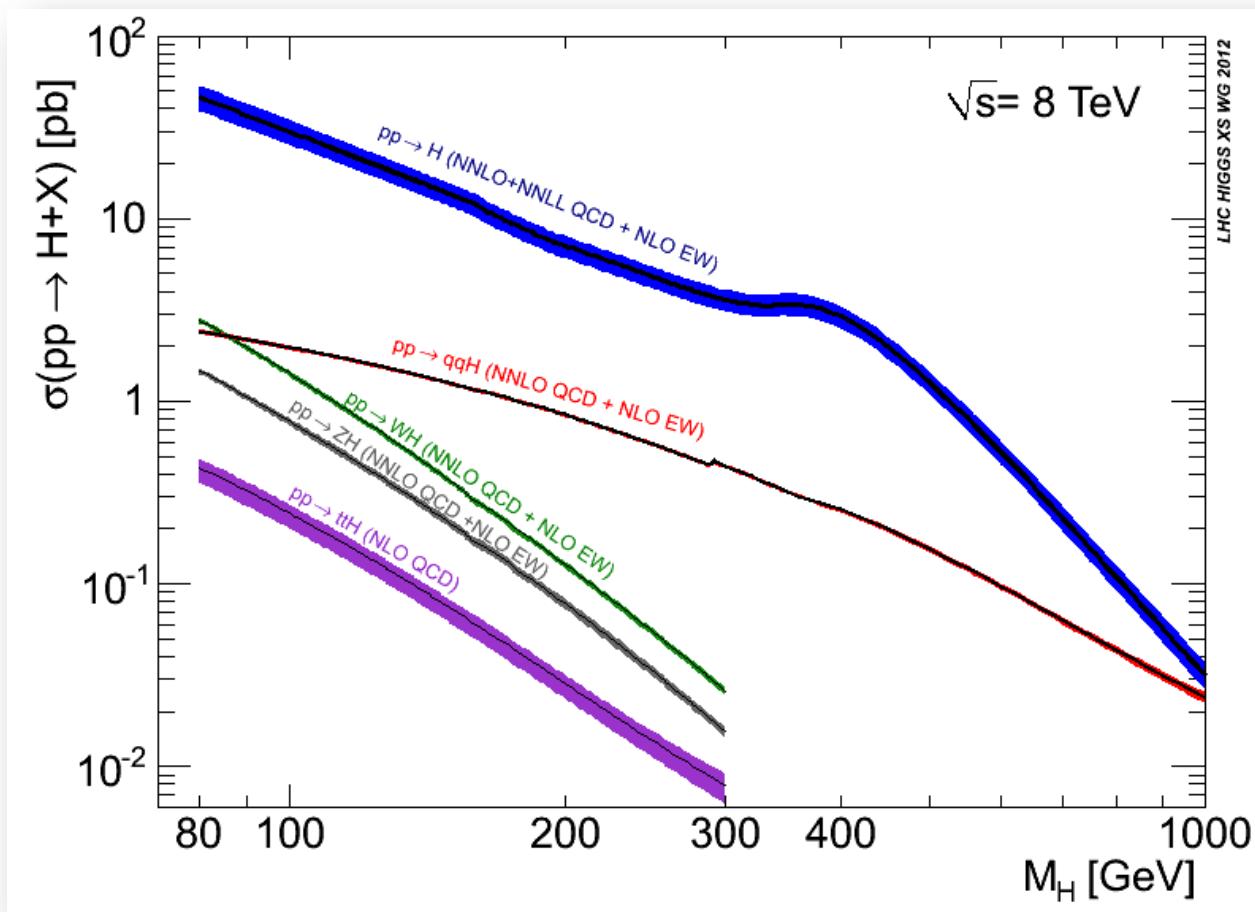


Search for the Higgs boson in 2012



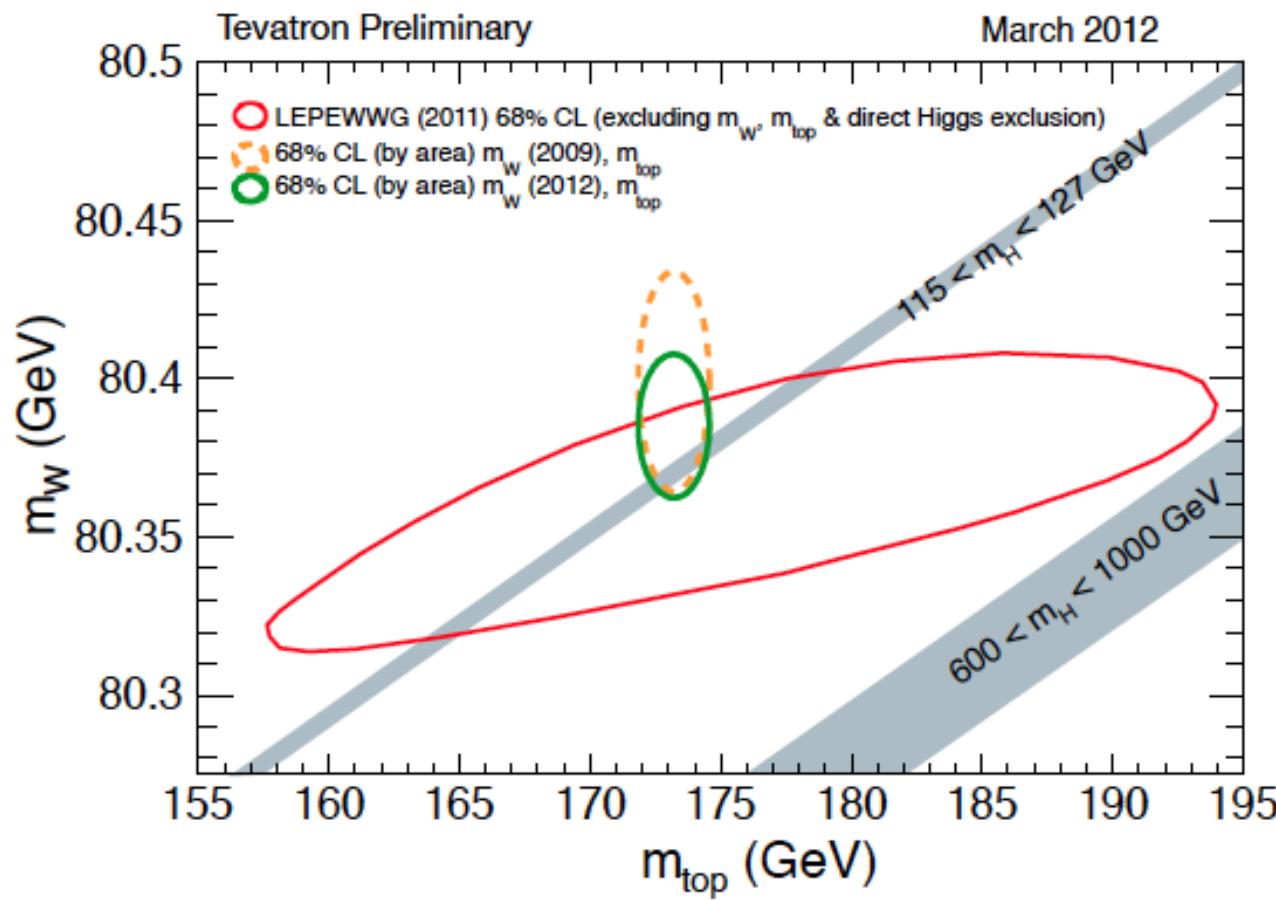
Higgs boson production

Higgs production rates (cross-sections) are predicted by the Standard Model as a function of the Higgs mass



Massas do Higgs, top e W

As massas do Higgs, quark top e bosão W são interdependentes no MS
 As medidas das massas do top e do W permite prever a massa do Higgs

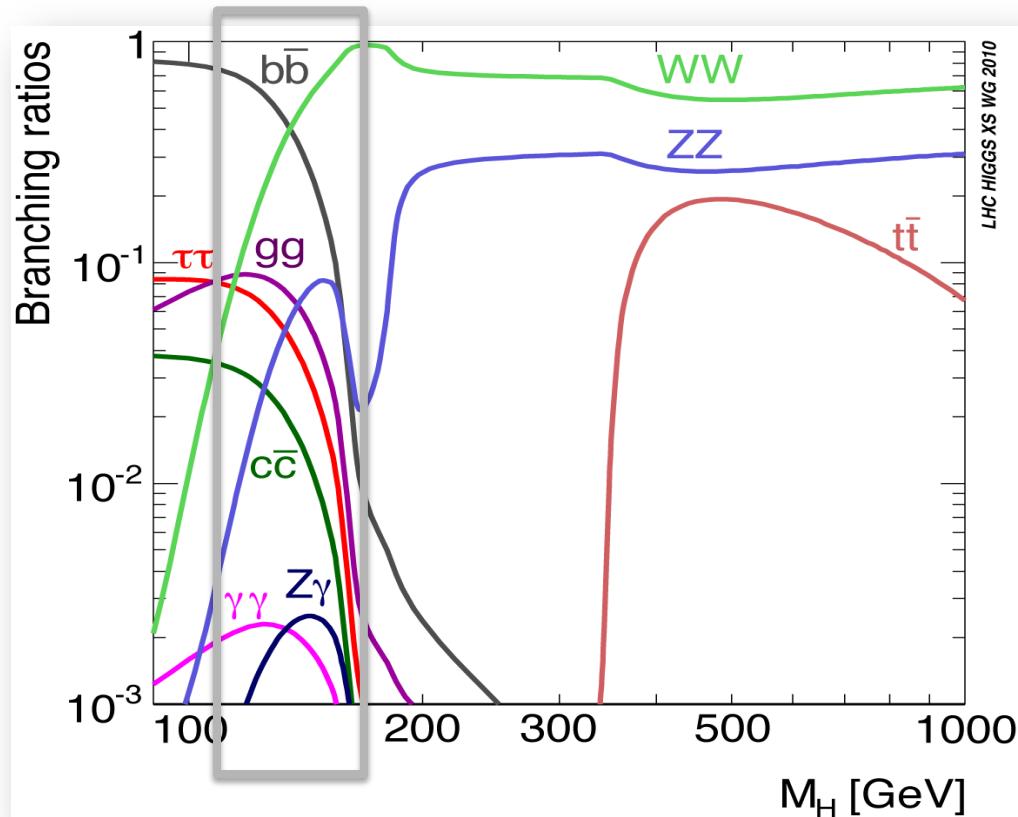


Higgs boson decays

5 decay modes exploited

Low mass region is very rich but also very challenging:

- High sensitivity, high resolution: ZZ , $\gamma\gamma$
- High sensitivity, low resolution: WW
- Low sensitivity, Low resolution: bb , tt



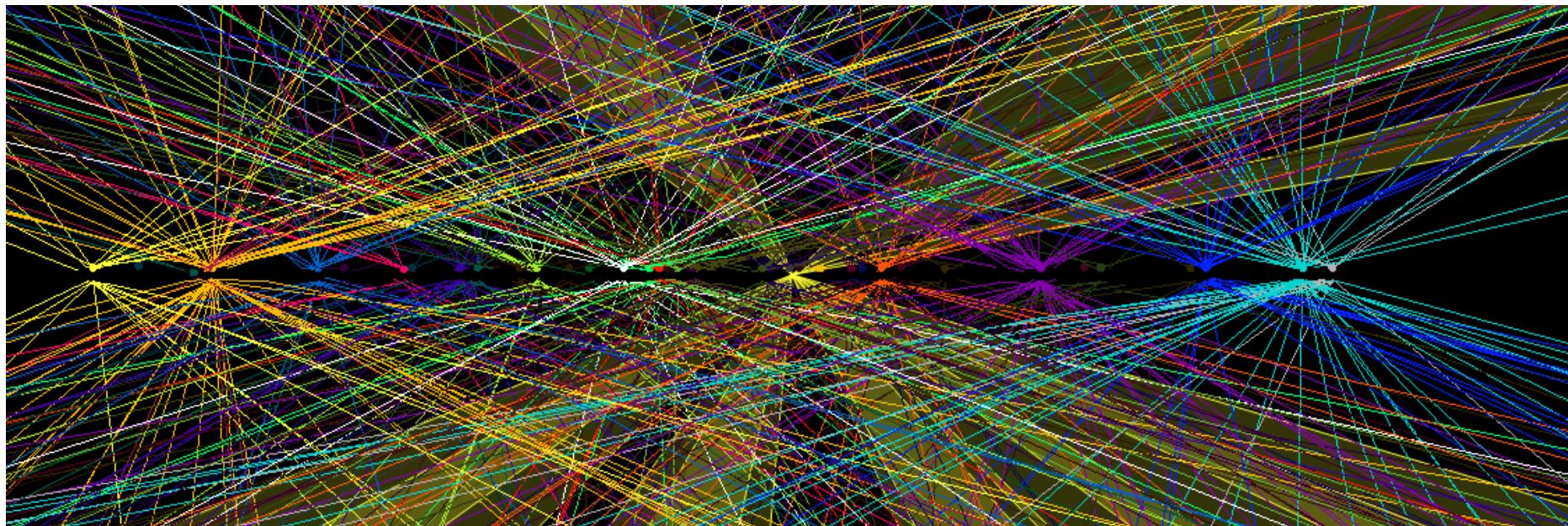


Collisions pileup

LHC luminosity in 2012: $6.5 \cdot 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

Average number of proton-proton collisions
per bunch crossing ~ 30

Challenging experimental conditions

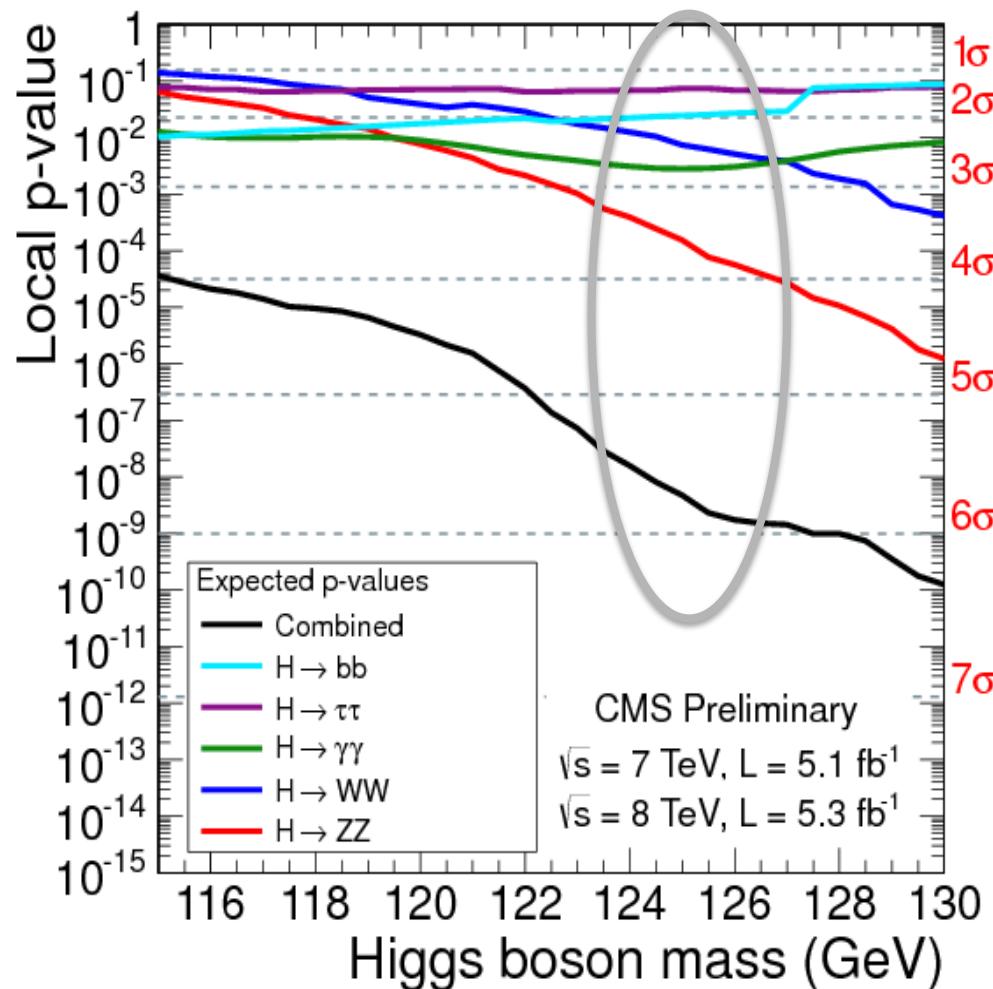


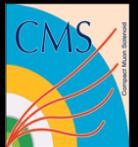


CMS discovery potential

p-values

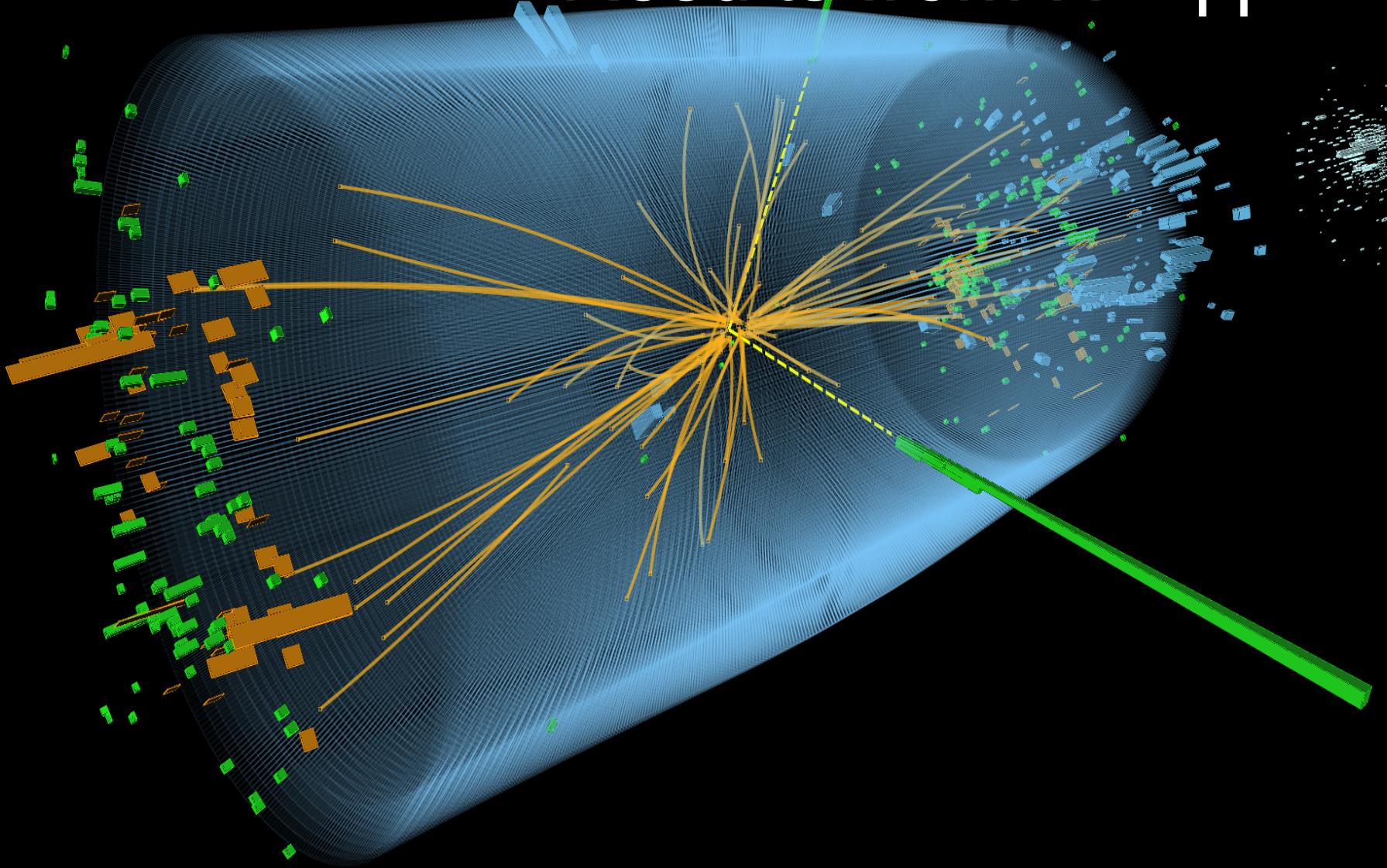
- Probability that background fluctuates to give an excess as large as the signal size expected for a SM Higgs.
- **5 σ (sigma) = probability of one in 3 million**





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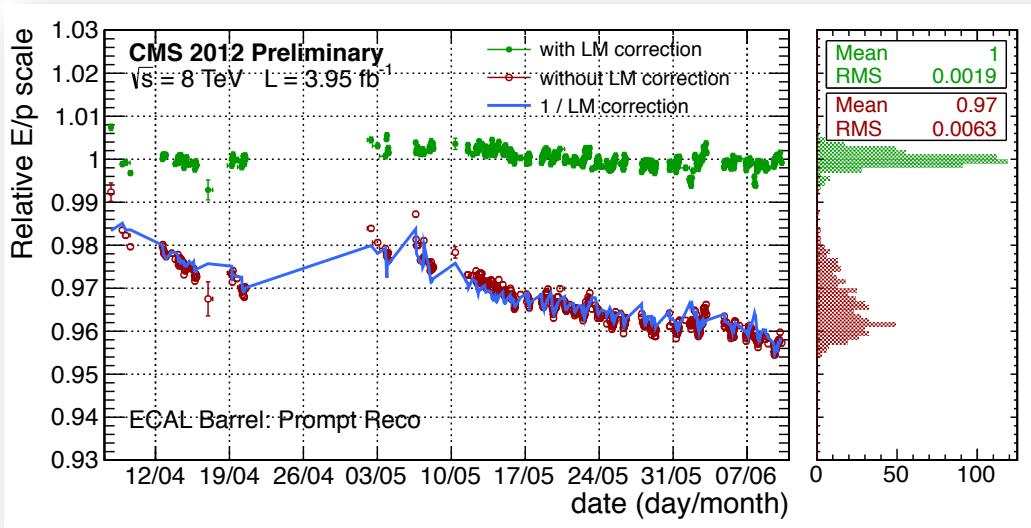
Results from $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



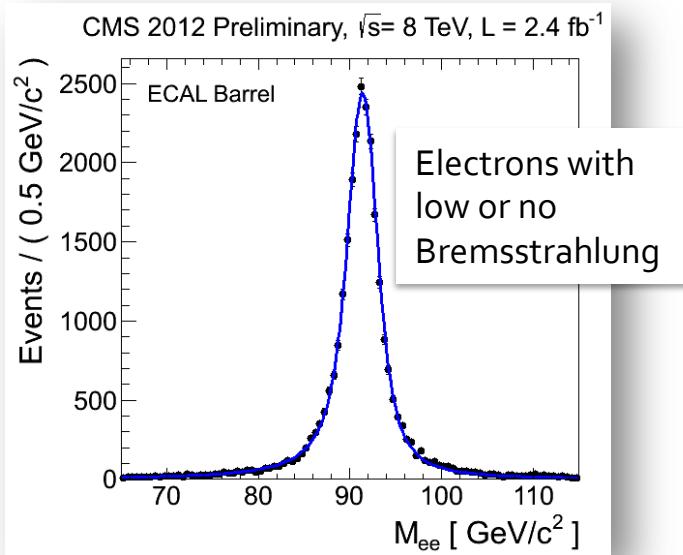
ECAL calibration, 2012 data



Single electron energy scale (E/p) stability
in barrel measured with $W \rightarrow e\nu$ events



$Z \rightarrow ee$ invariant mass distribution for
electrons measured in the barrel



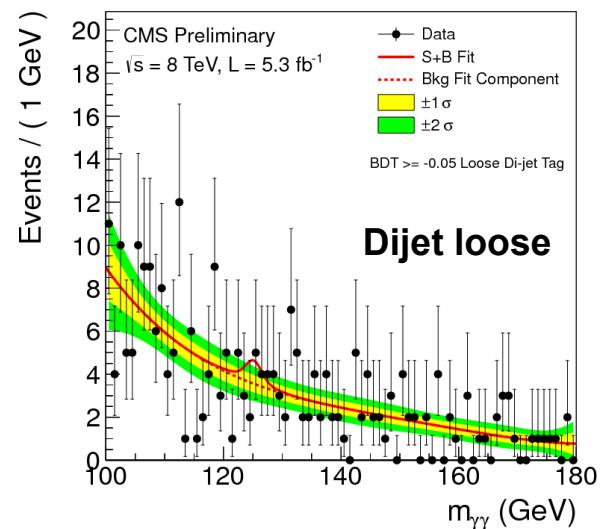
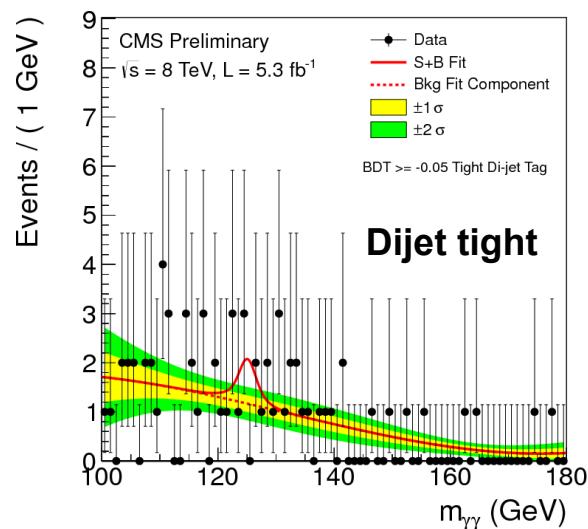
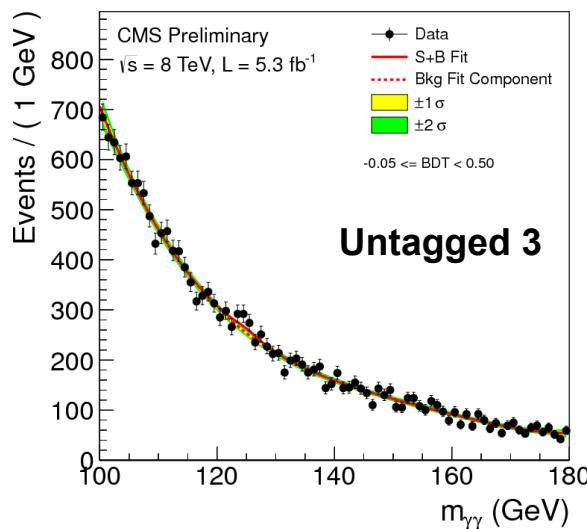
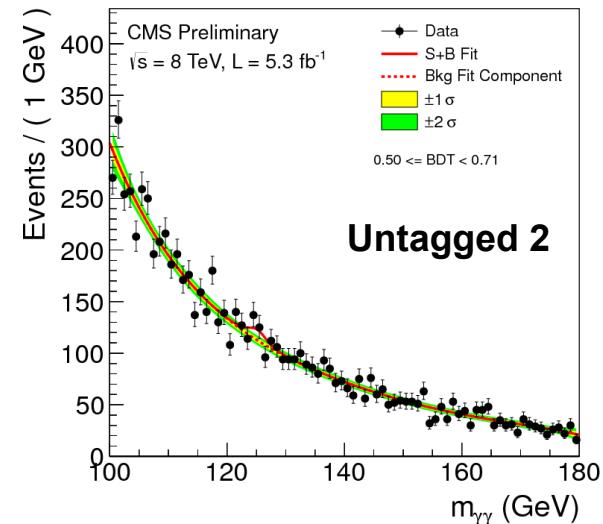
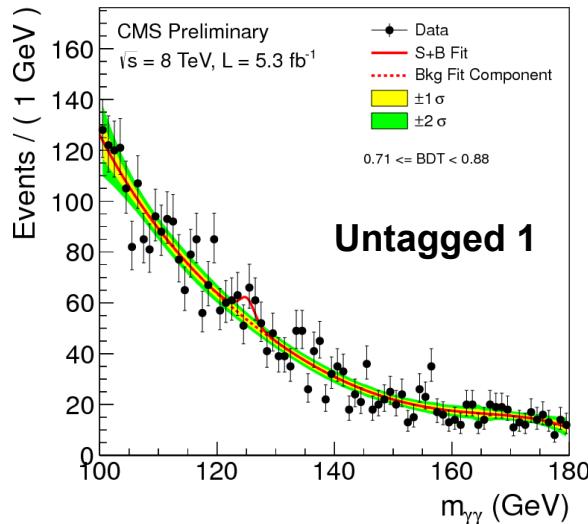
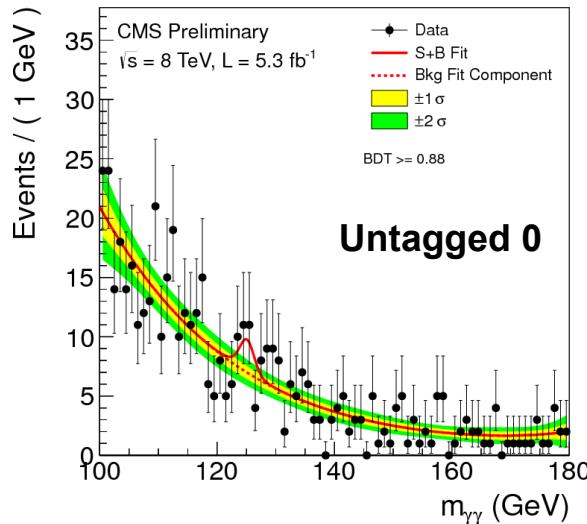
- **$W \rightarrow e\nu$ E/p:** Stable E scale during 2012 run after light monitoring corrections:
 - ECAL Barrel (EB): RMS stability after corrections 0.19%
- **$Z \rightarrow ee$:** Good resolution with preliminary energy calibration for 2012:
 - Instrumental resolution: 1.0 GeV in ECAL Barrel (~1%)



Di-photon Mass Distribution in Categories

Combined fit of signal and background to all 11 categories

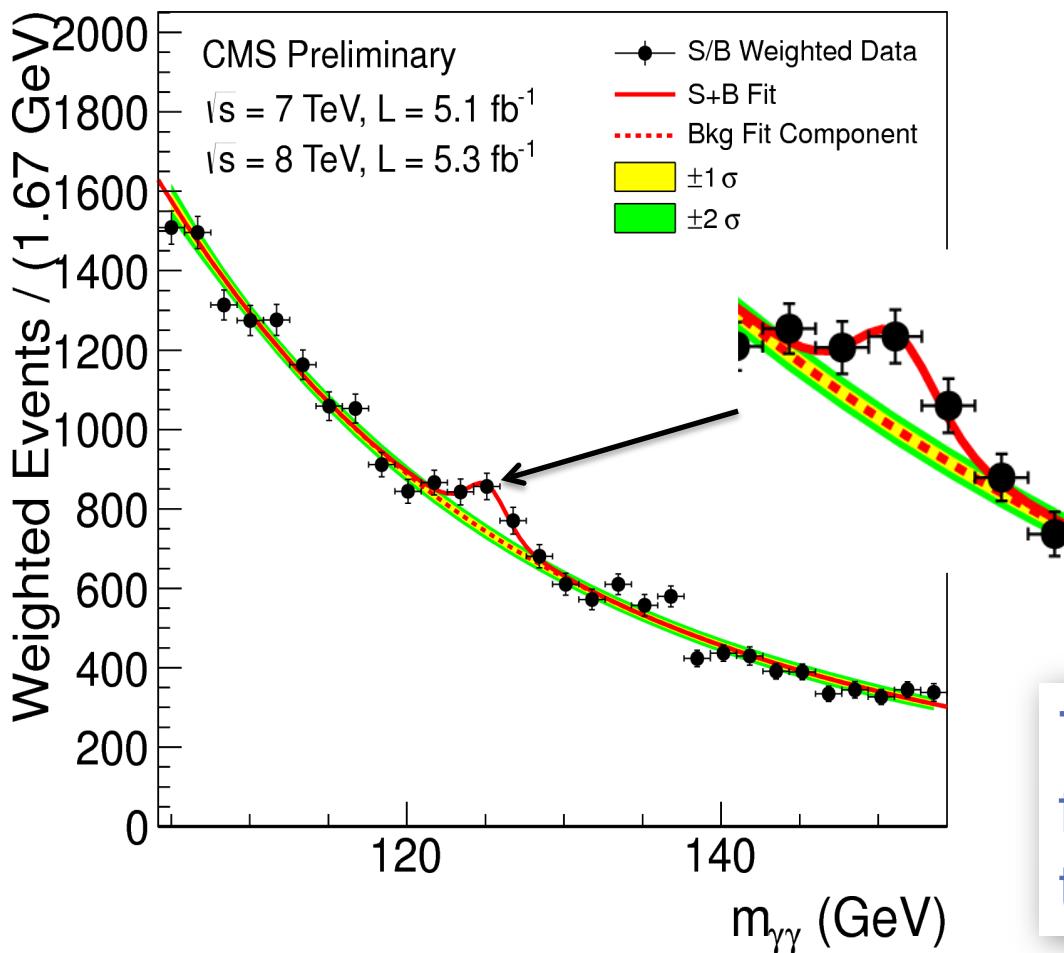
8 TeV data



Results from H->γγ:

Di-photon mass distribution

Sum of mass distributions for each event class, weighted by S/B



In the $\gamma\gamma$ mass distribution there is an excess of events above background, at a mass near 125 GeV.

The observation of the two-photon final state implies that the **new particle is a boson**, not a fermion, and that **it cannot be a “spin 1” particle**.

There is no other fundamental particle with these properties

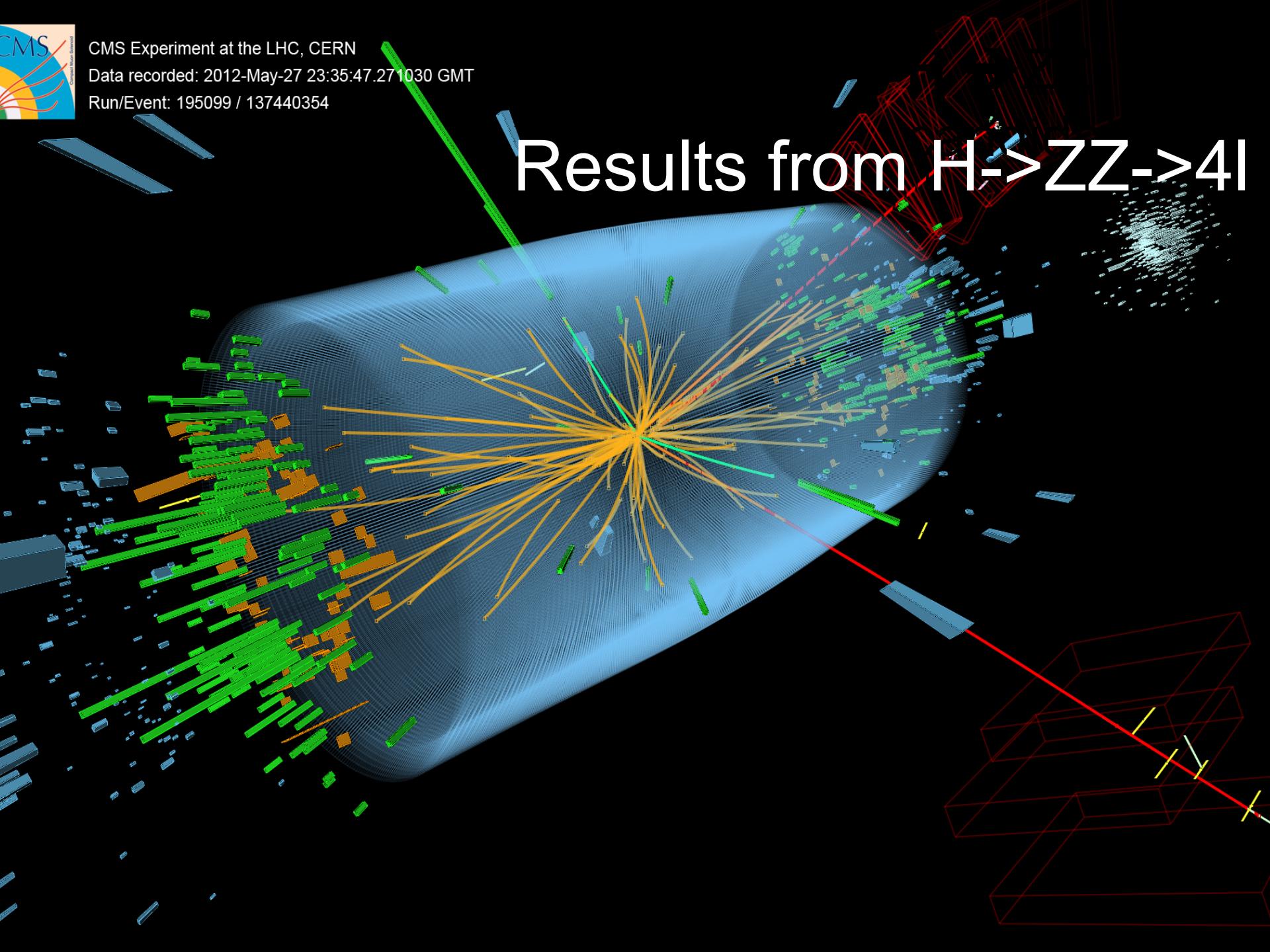


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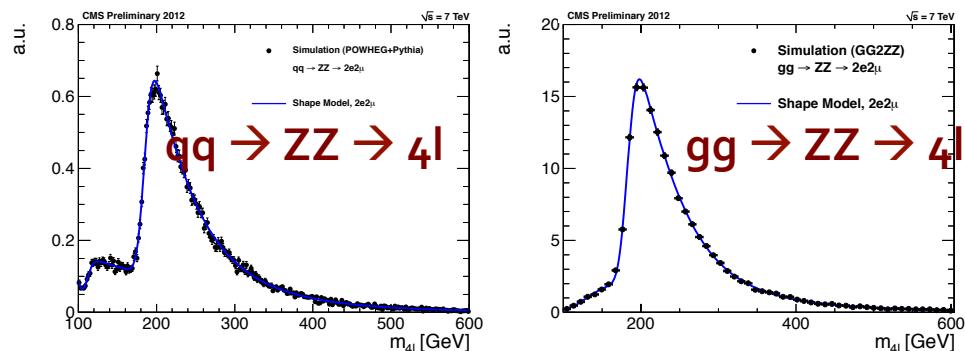
Results from $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$



Background models

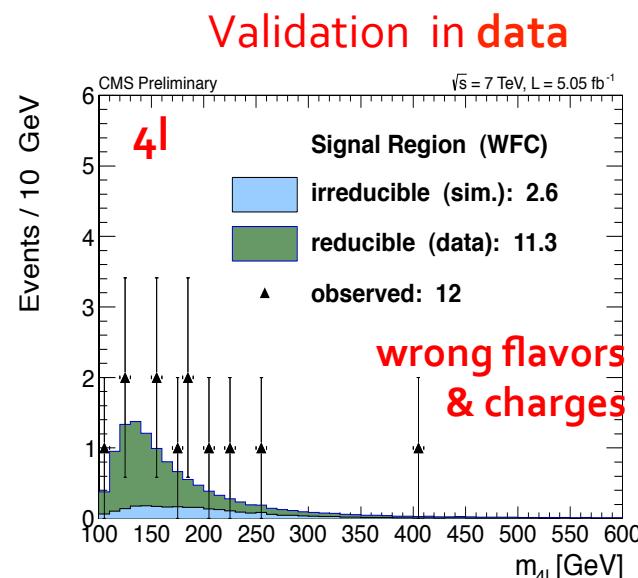
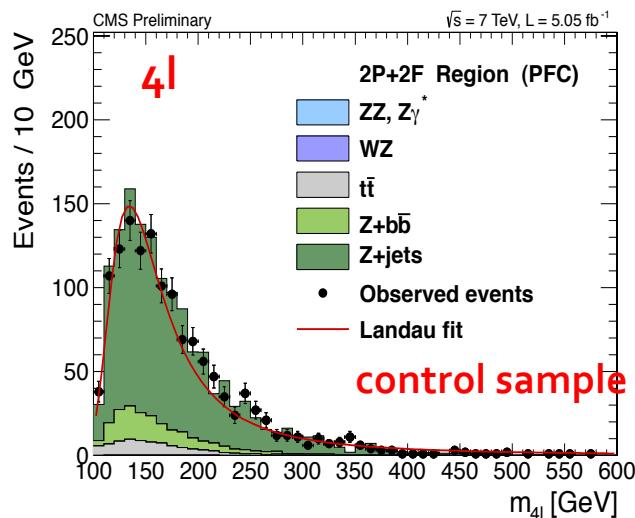
- **Irreducible background $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$**

- Estimated using simulation
- Phenomenological shape models
- Corrected for data/simulation scale



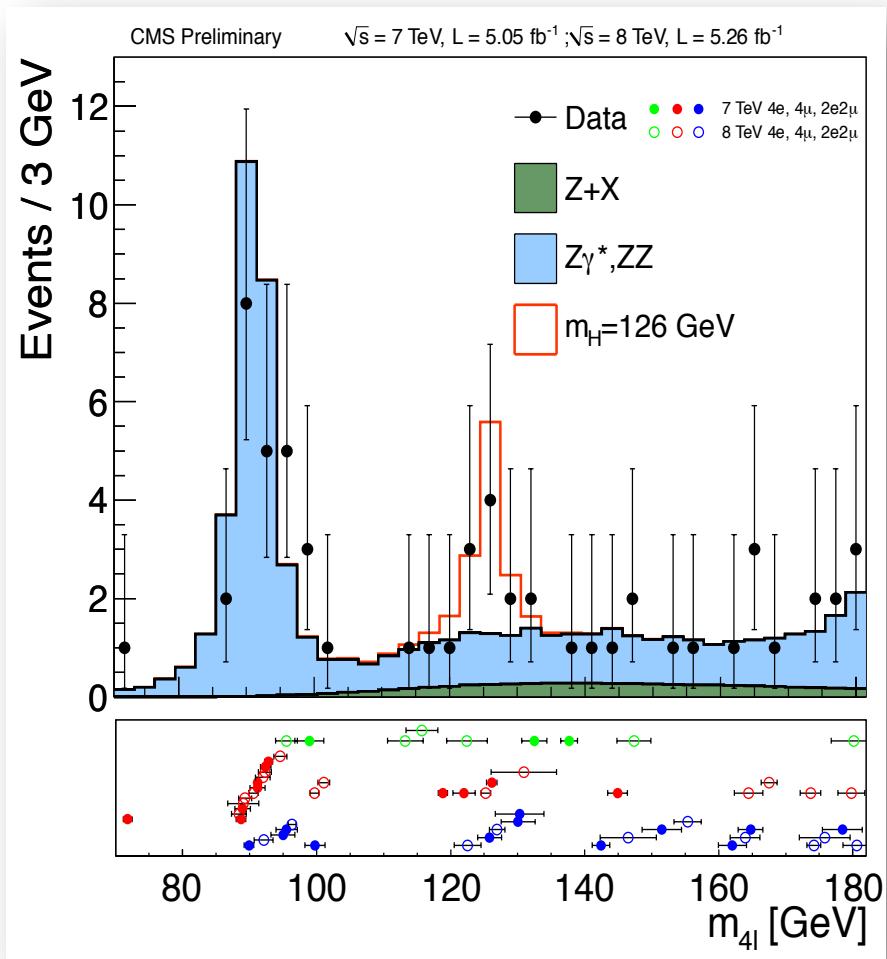
- **Reducible backgrounds estimated from data**

- Extrapolation from control samples enriched with misidentified leptons
- Total uncertainty $\sim 50\%$



Results from H decaying to ZZ*

4 lepton mass distribution

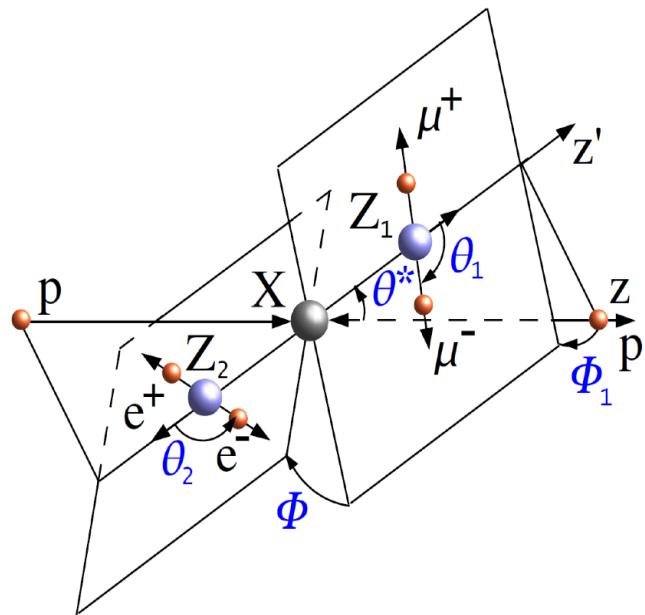


Mass distribution for the four leptons (two pairs of electrons, or two pairs of muons, or the pair of electrons and the pair of muons).

Accounting also for the decay angle characteristics, it yields an **excess of 3.1 sigma above background at a mass of 125.6 GeV.**

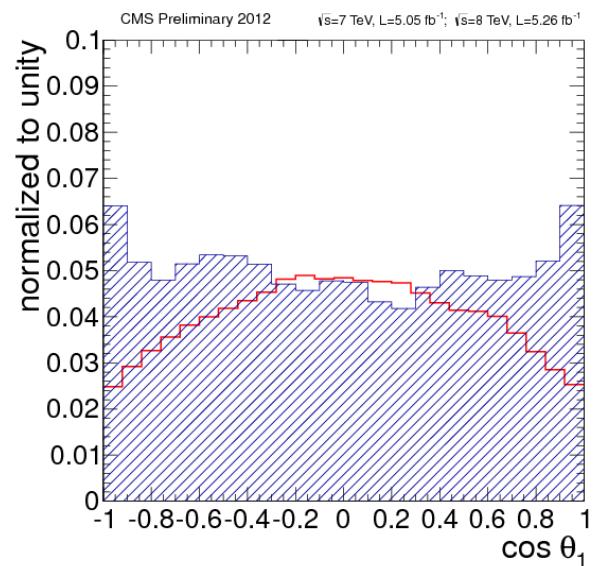
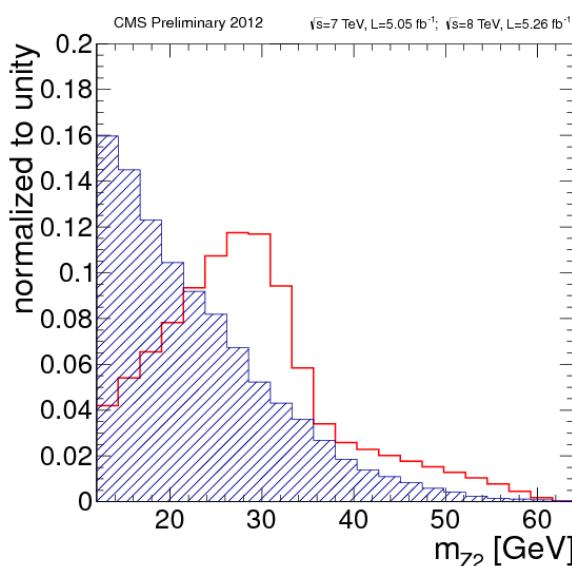
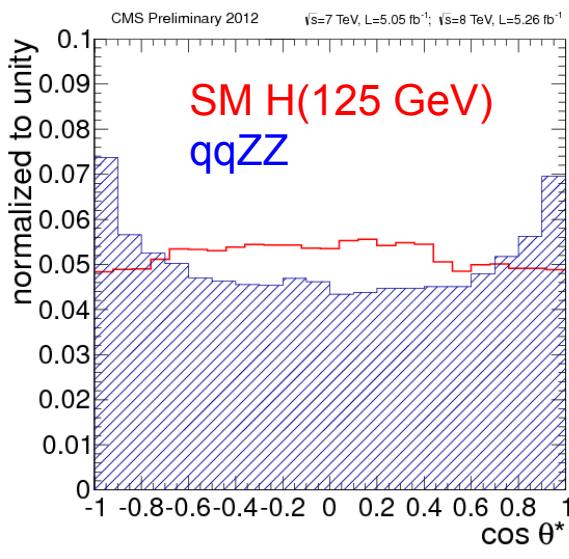


Matrix Element Likelihood Analysis



Matrix Element Likelihood Analysis:
uses kinematic inputs for
signal to background discrimination
 $\{m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \theta^*, \Phi, \Phi_1\}$

$$\text{MELA} = \left[1 + \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4\ell})}{\mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4\ell})} \right]^{-1}$$



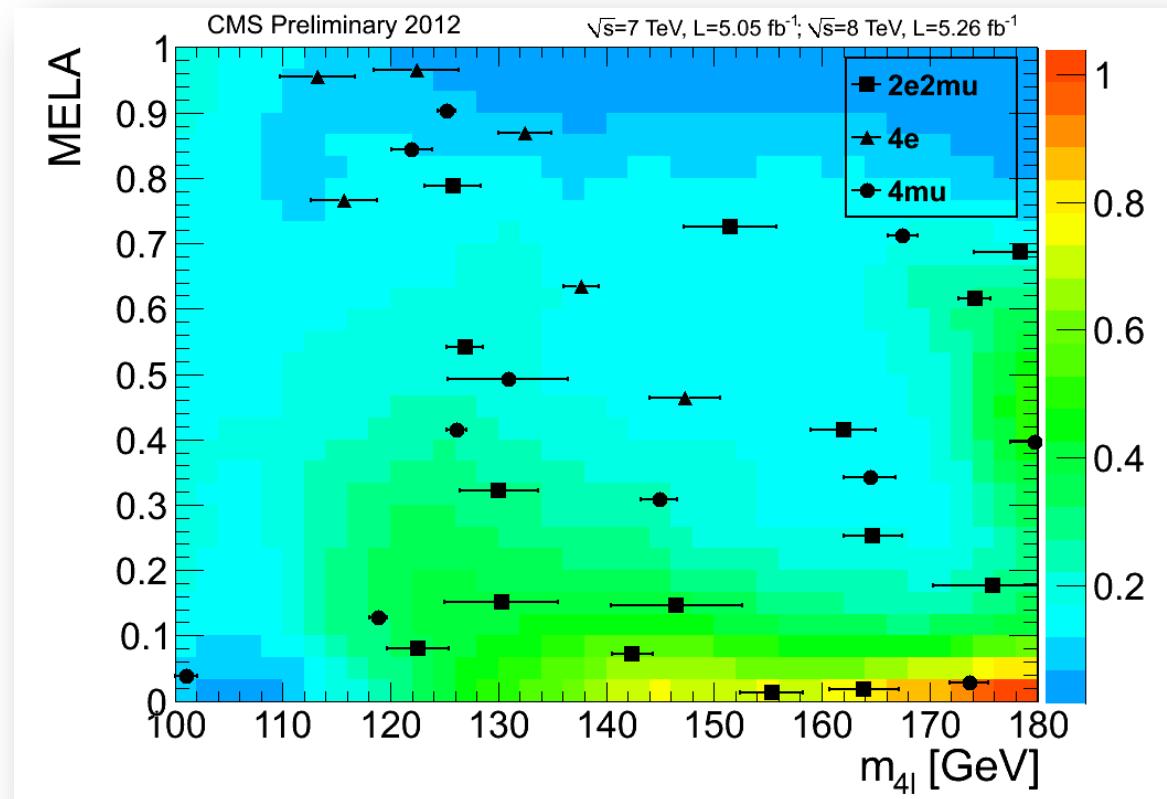


Results: 2D plots

Perform 2D fit

– MELA discriminant
versus m_{4l}

- Data points shown
with per-event
mass uncertainties



Data w.r.t. background expectation

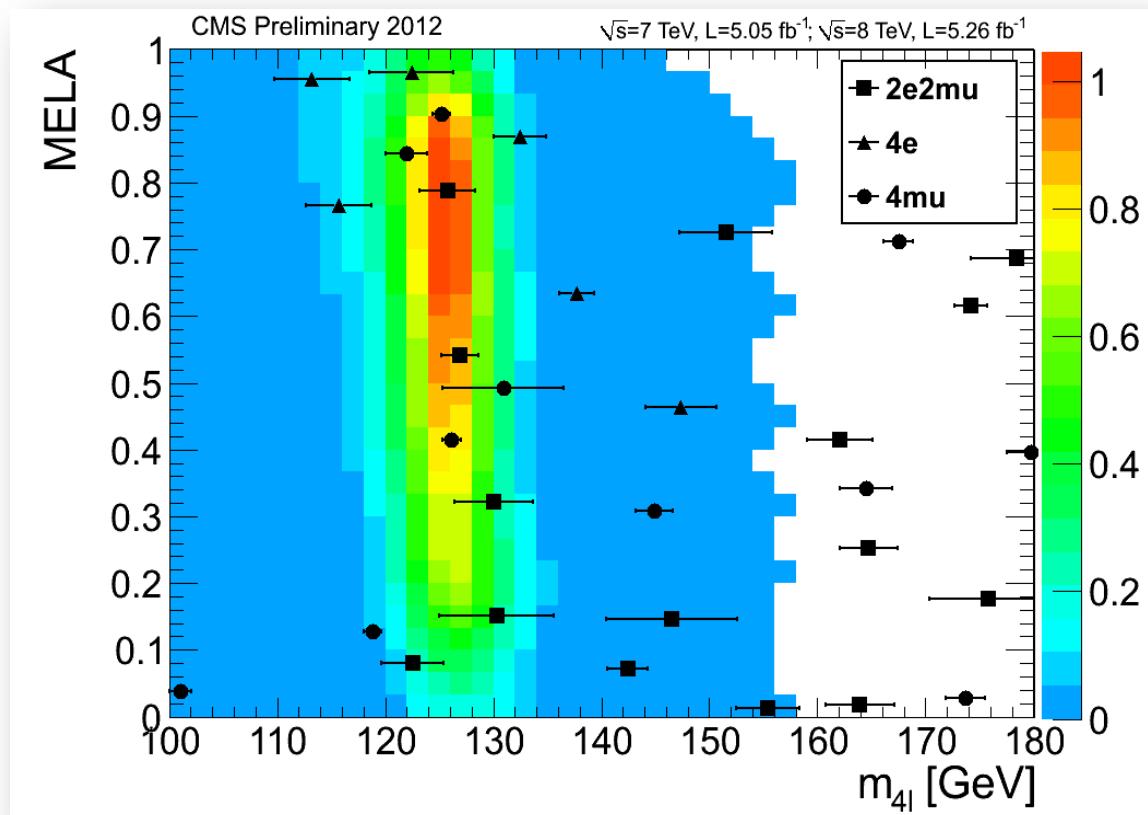
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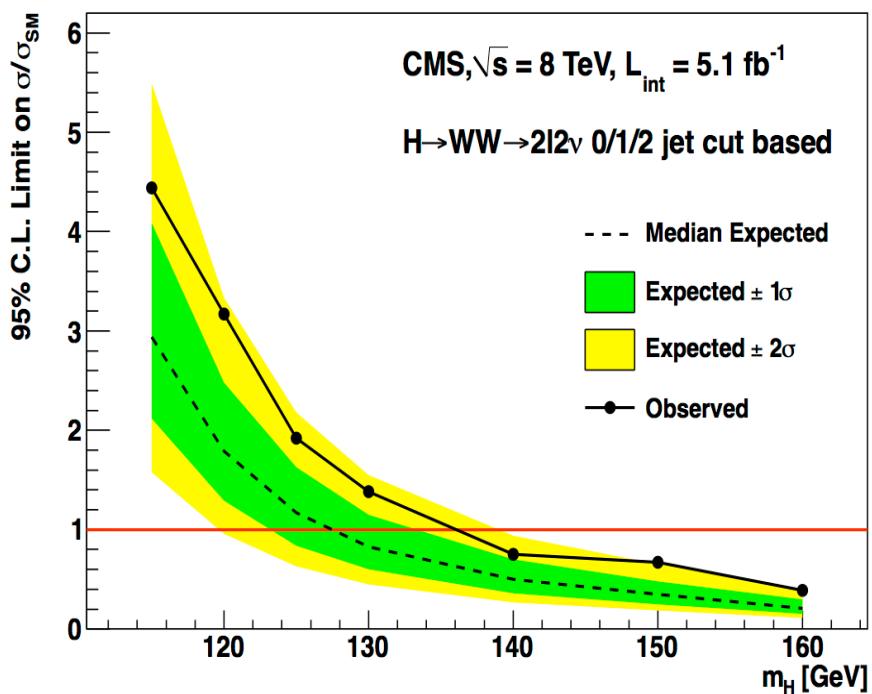


Data w.r.t 126 GeV Higgs Expectation

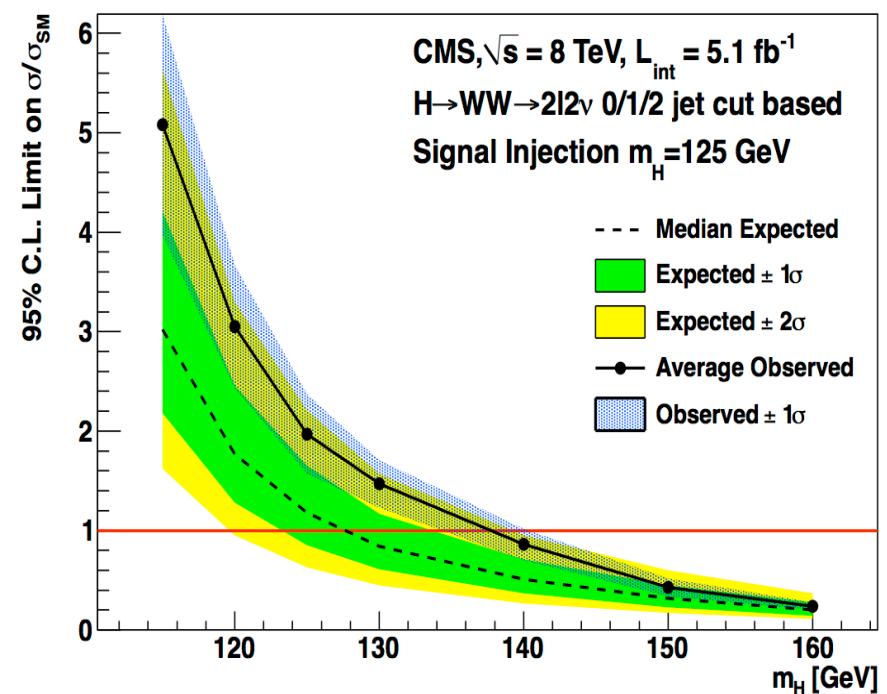
Results from H->WW

WW->llvv channel: a broad excess in the mass distribution of 1.5 sigma is observed.

Data

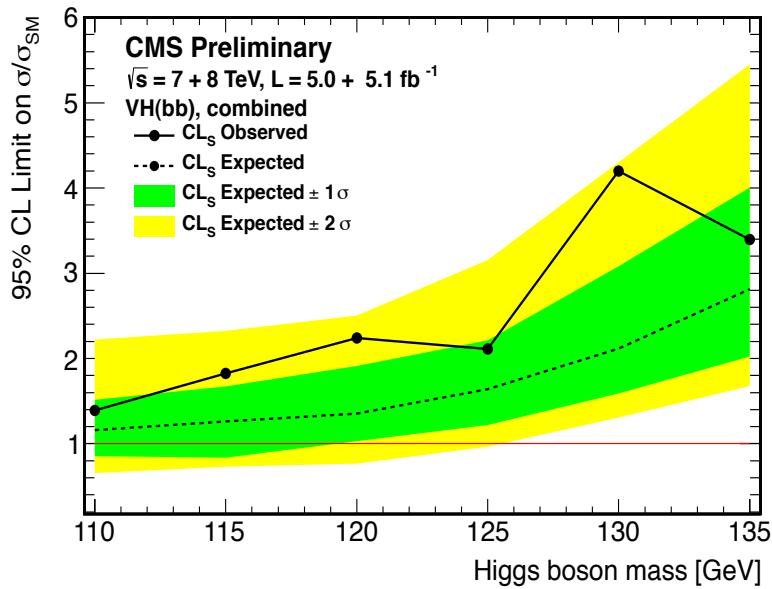


SM Higgs simulation



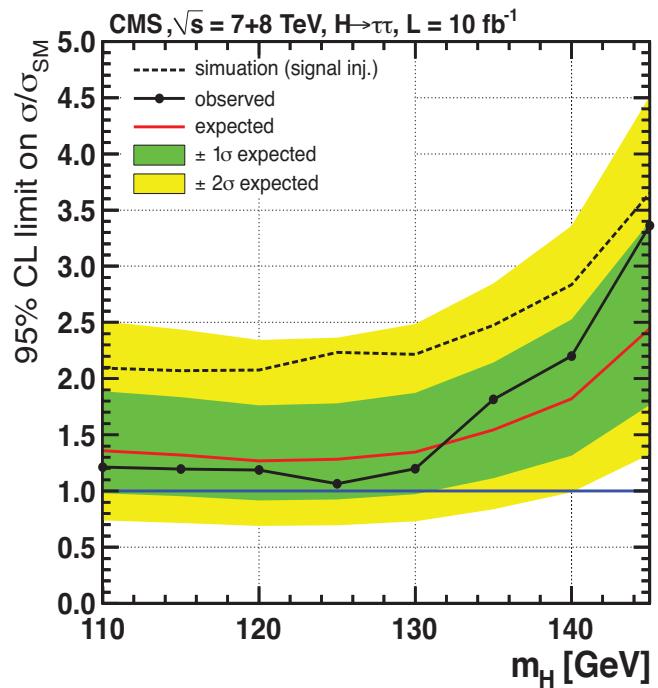
Results from low-sensitivity channels

VH->Vbb



Compatible with either background or signal from a 125 GeV Higgs

H->tau tau

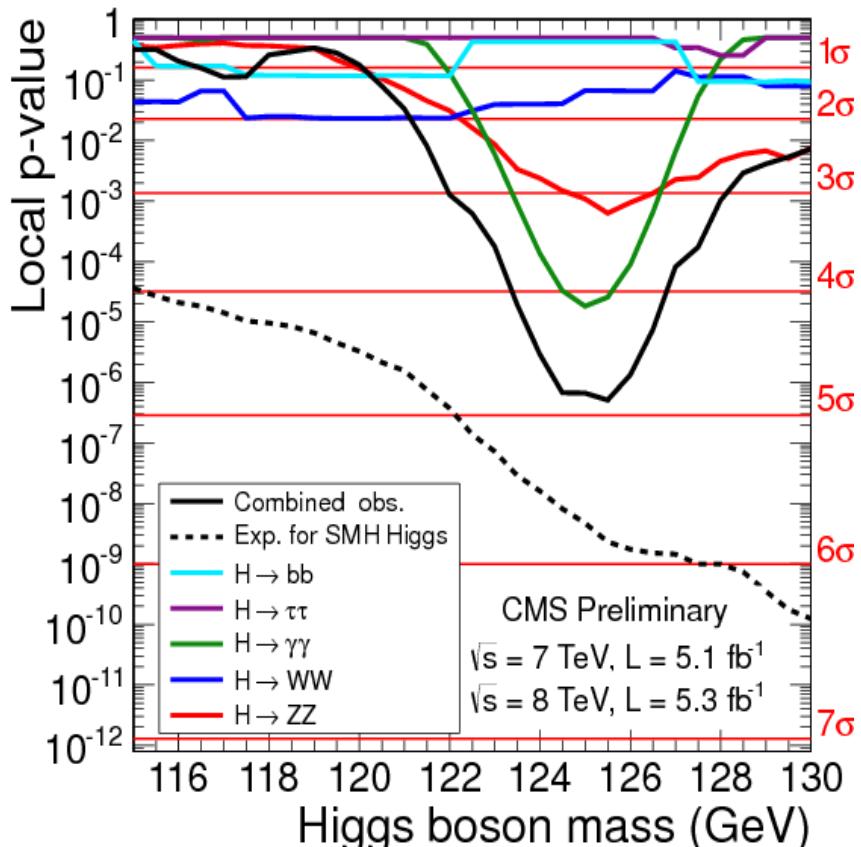


No significant departure from SM background-only expectation

Characterization of excess near 125 GeV



Probability that background fluctuates to give the excess

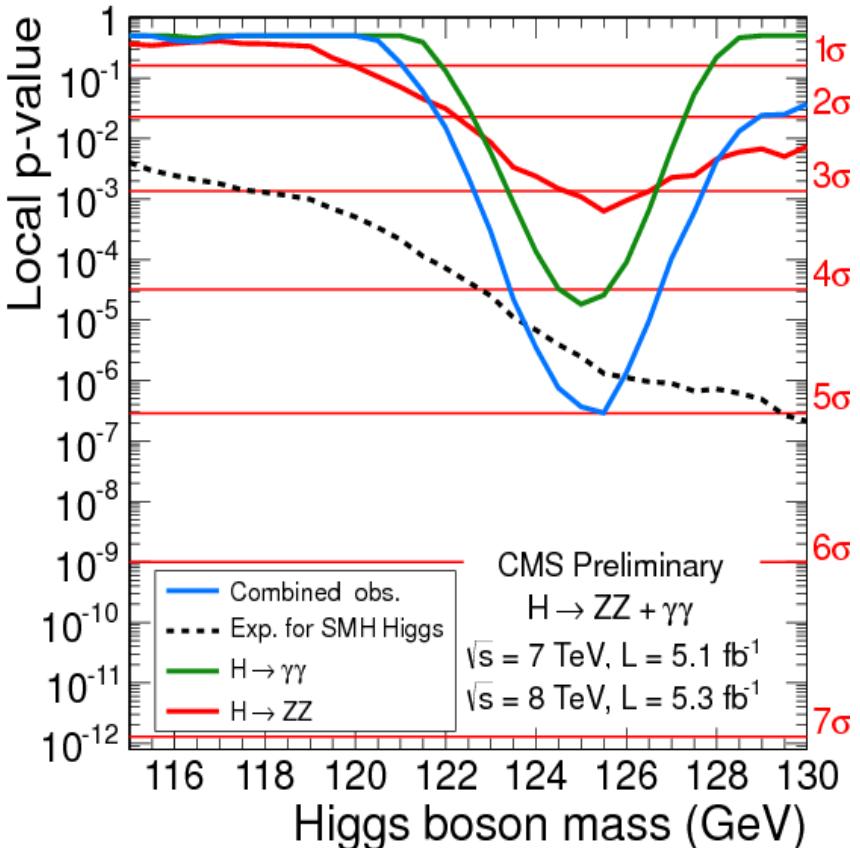


- **all channels together: comb. significance:**
4.9 σ
- **expected significance for SM Higgs: 5.9 σ**

Characterization of excess near 125 GeV



Probability that background fluctuates to give the excess

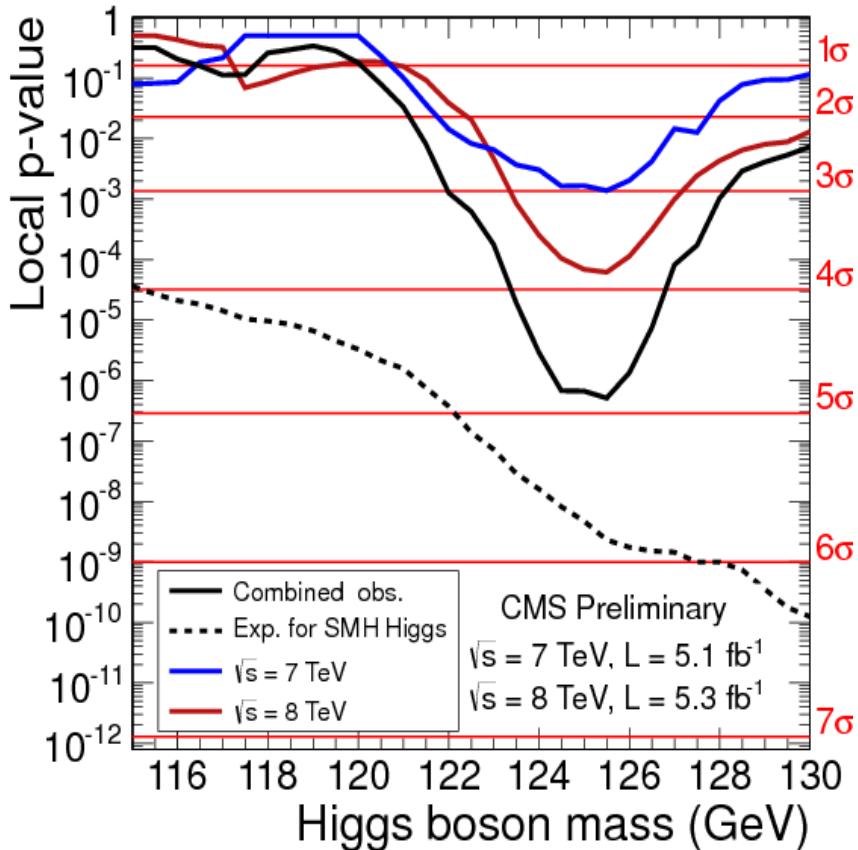


- high sensitivity, high mass resolution channels: $\gamma\gamma+4l$
- comb. significance: **5.0 σ**
- expected significance for SM Higgs: **4.7 σ**

Characterization of excess near 125 GeV



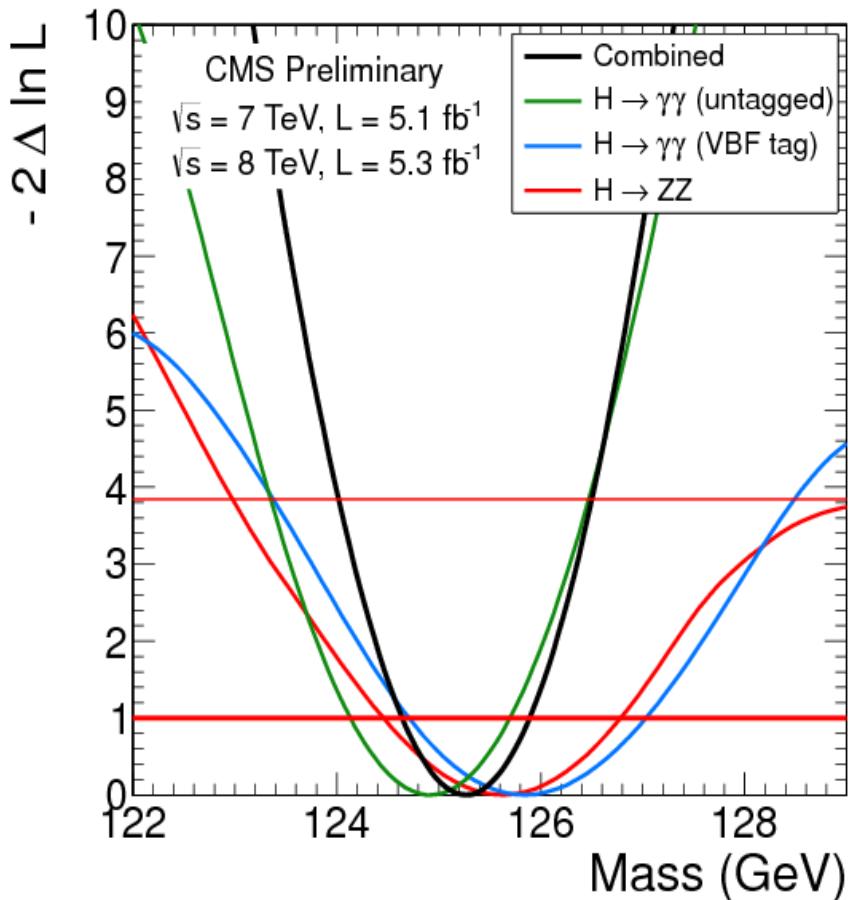
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- Observed significance:
4.9 σ
- Excess seen in both
 - 7 TeV data (3.0 σ)
 - 8 TeV data (3.8 σ)
 - near the same mass 125 GeV

Mass of the new resonance

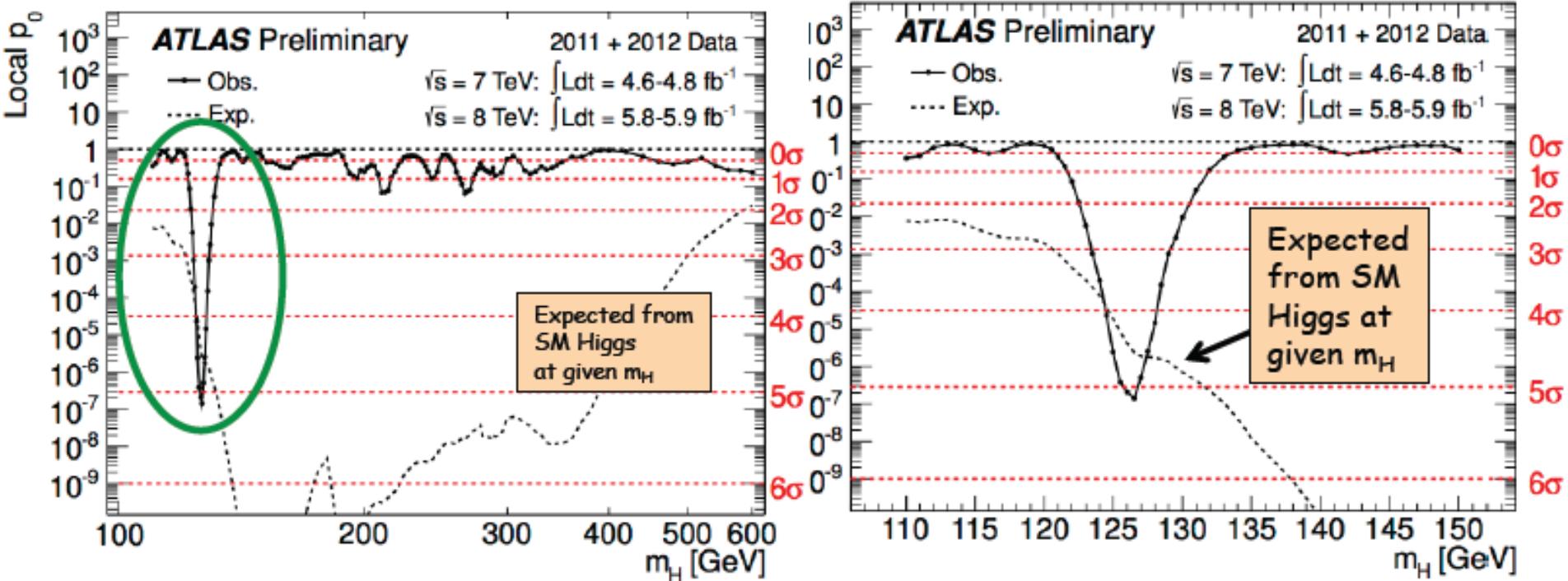
Likelihood fit to the new resonance



Mass measurement from the two high-resolution channels:

$$m_x = 125.3 \pm 0.6 \text{ GeV}$$

Combination of $\gamma\gamma$ and ZZ channels in 2012 + all channels in 2011



Significance 5 sigma at $m= 126.5 \text{ GeV}$



In summary

Both LHC experiments have observed a new boson with a mass around **125 GeV** at **5σ** significance !



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