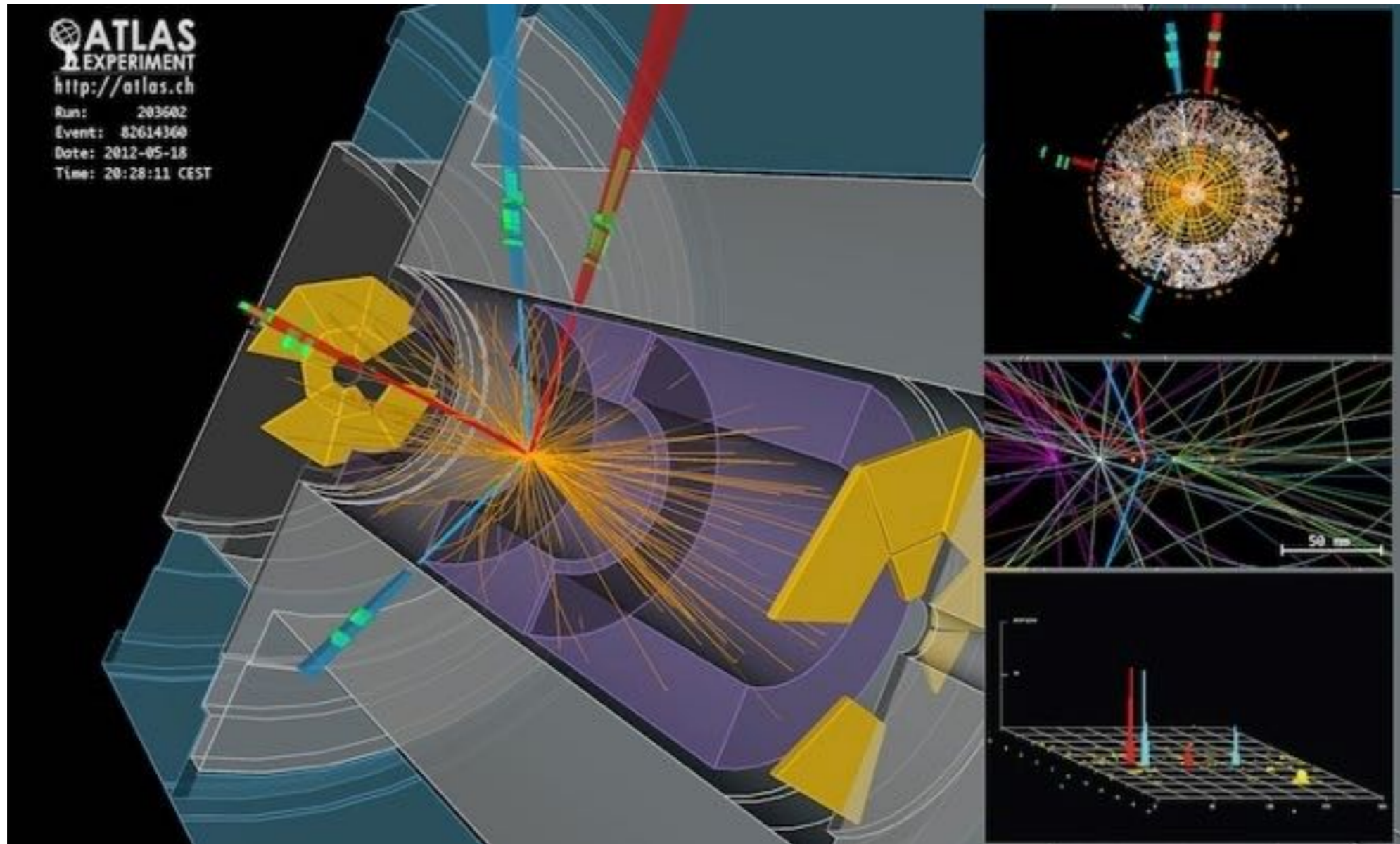


Teilchenphysik mit höchstenergetischen Beschleunigern (Higgs & Co)



10. Higgs Discovery at the LHC

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Overview

- Discovering a New Boson
 - Recap: Status of Higgs search before LHC
 - Recap: Production and Decay
 - Discovery Channels & Discovery
- Properties of the New Boson
 - Branching fractions
 - Mass
 - Spin

Status of the Higgs Search w/o LHC Data

Precision measurements of electroweak observables, accounting for radiative corrections ($\propto \log m_H^2$):

$$m_H = 94_{-24}^{+29} \text{ GeV (68\% C.L.) and}$$

$$m_H < 171 \text{ GeV (95\% C.L.)}$$

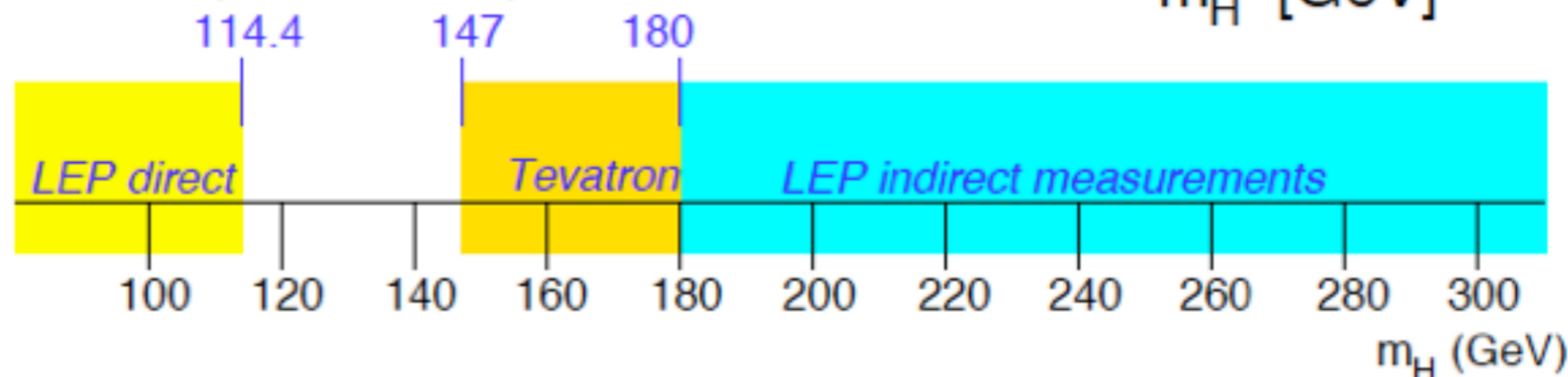
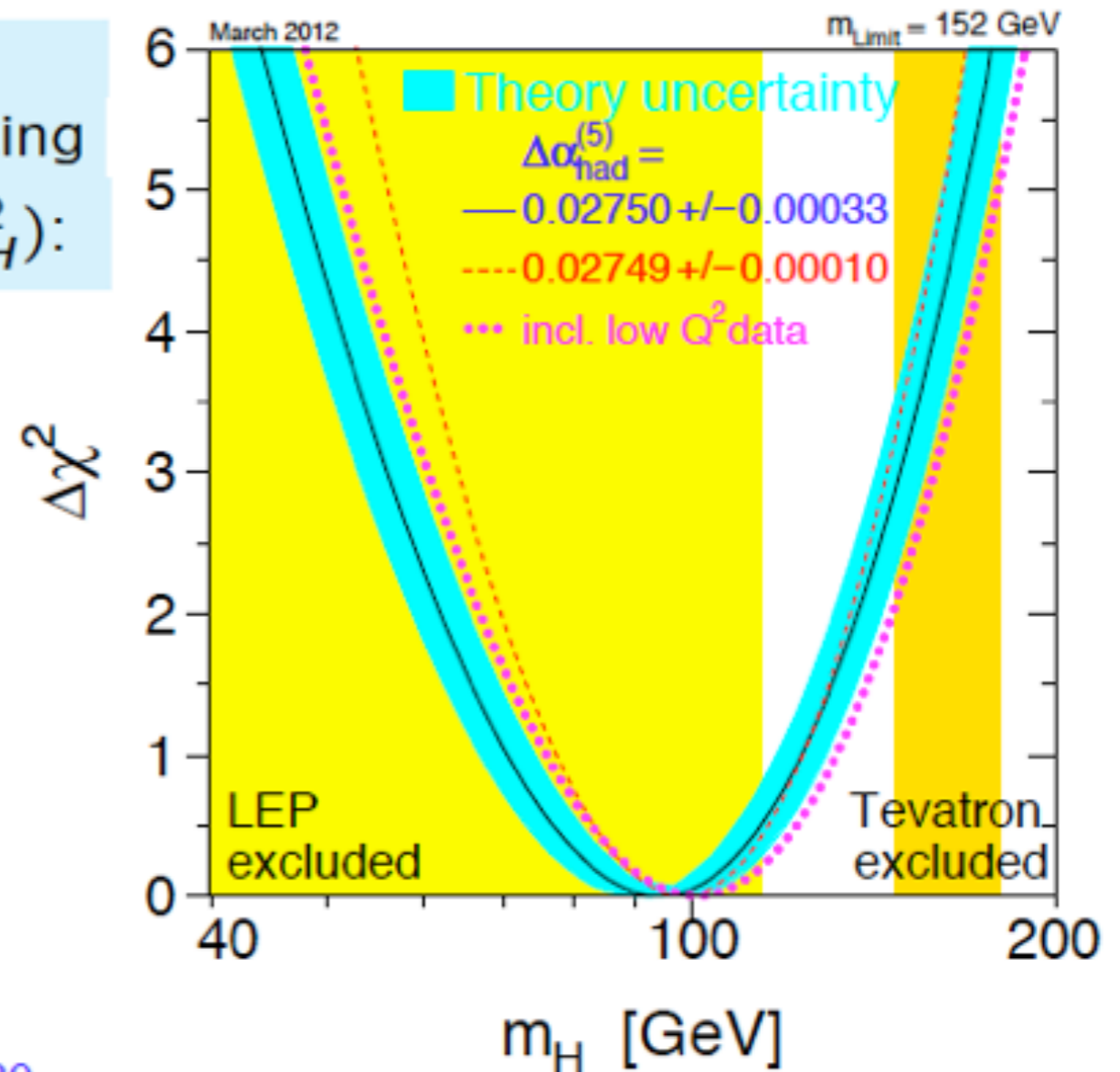
Direct searches at LEP:

$$m_H > 114.4 \text{ GeV at (95\% C.L.)}$$

Direct searches at Tevatron:

$$m_H < 147 \text{ GeV at (95\% C.L.) and}$$

$$m_H > 180 \text{ GeV at (95\% C.L.)}$$

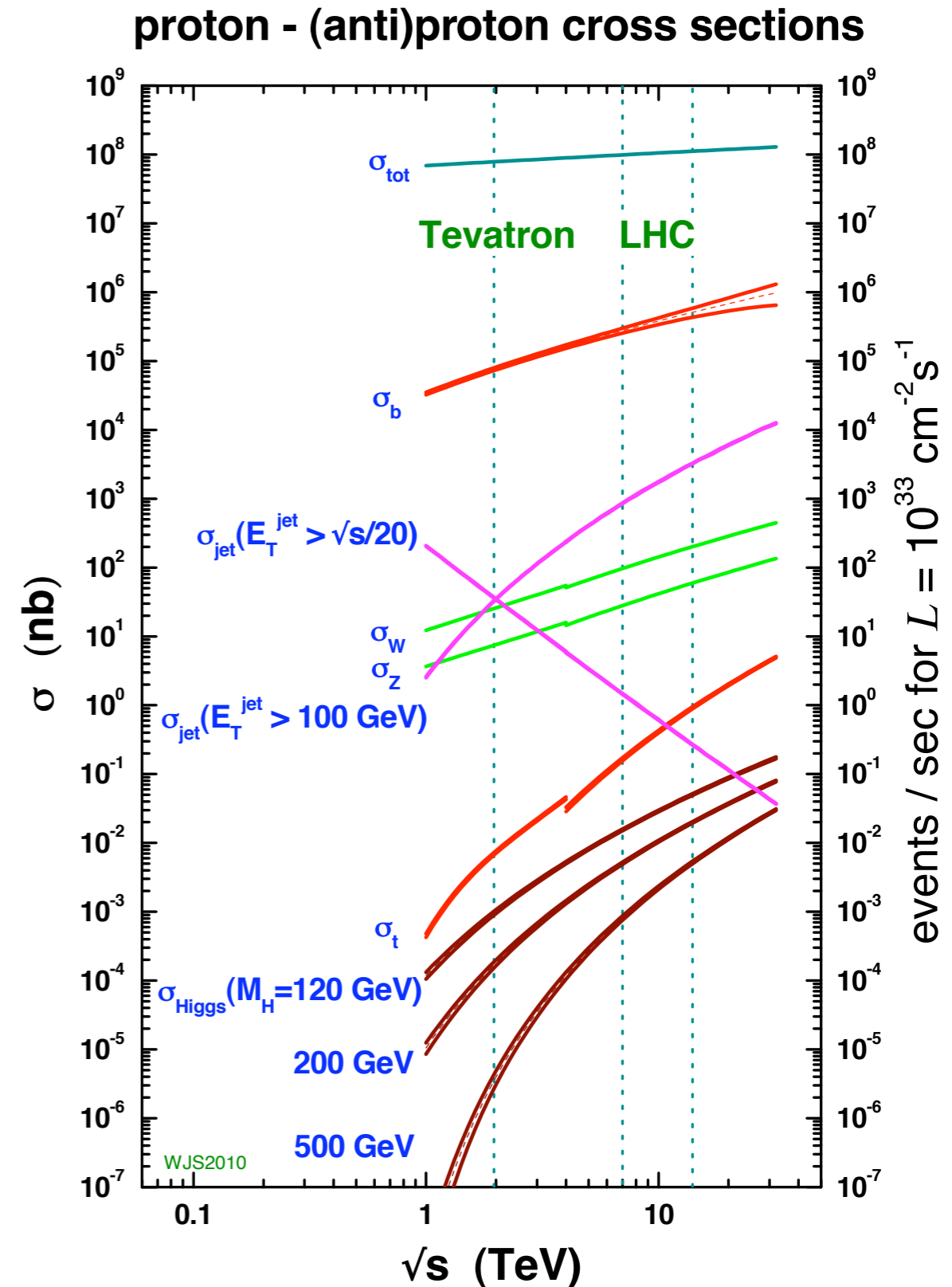


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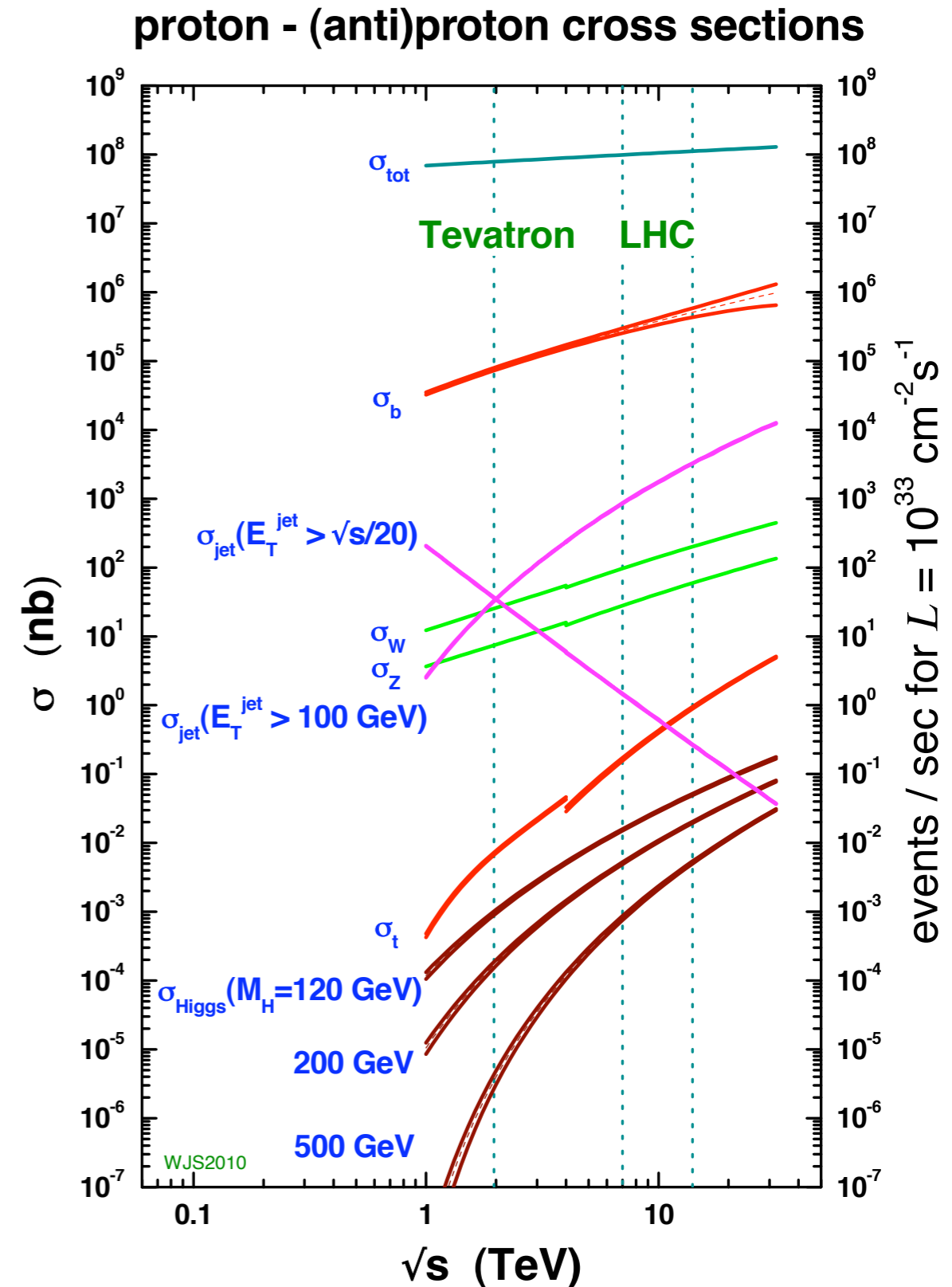
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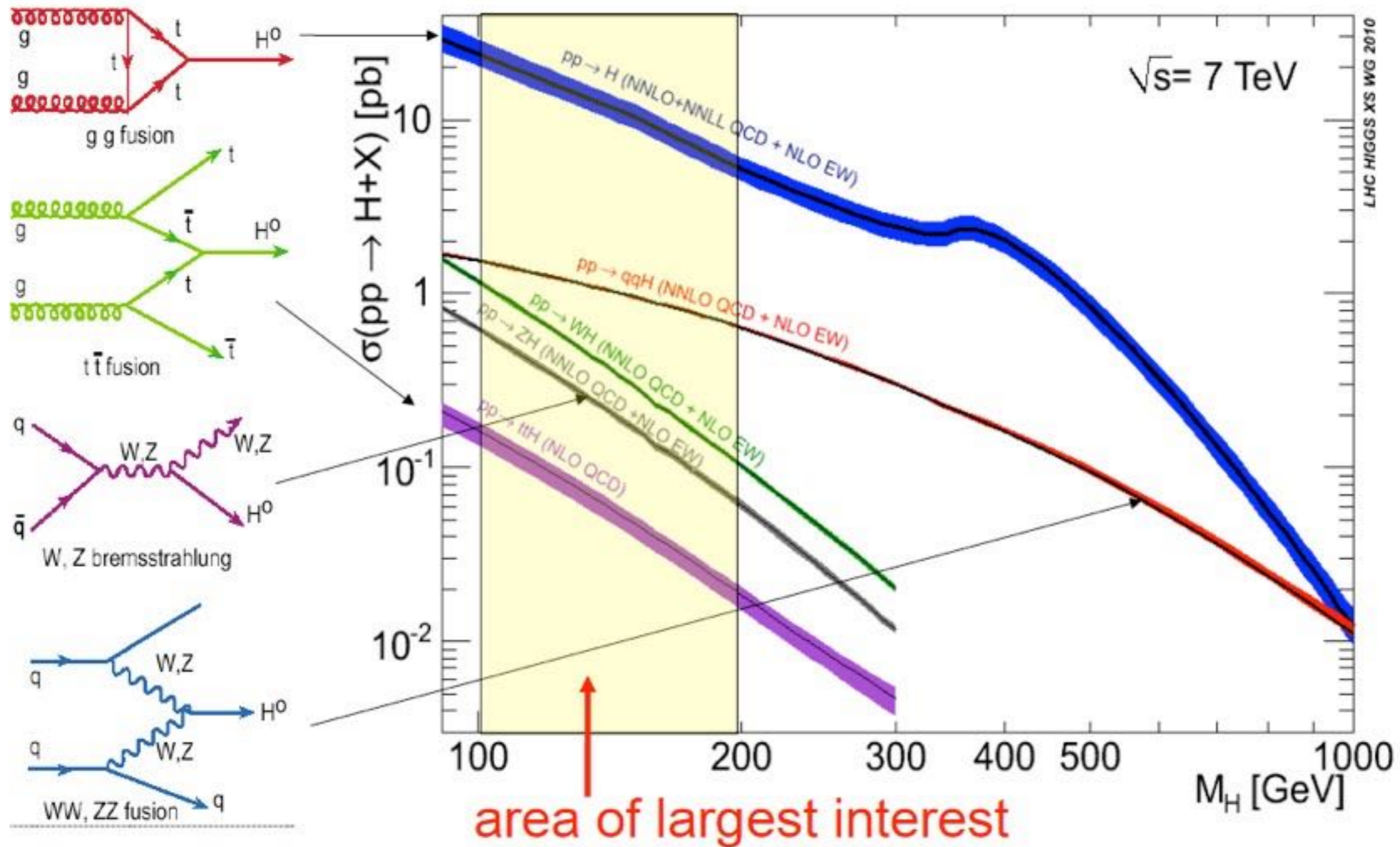
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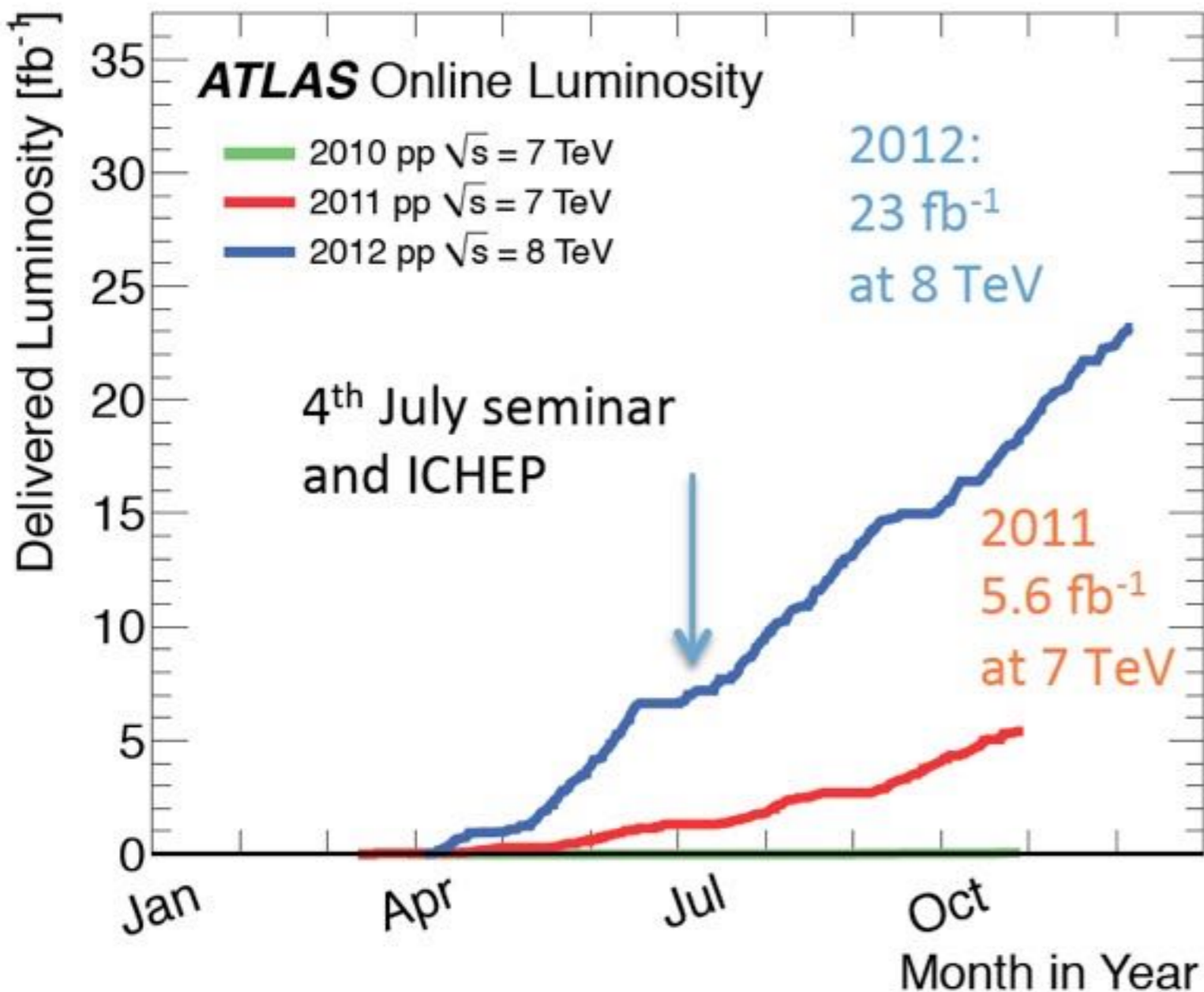


Higgs Production at the LHC



- Total H cross section ~ 17 pb @ 7 TeV, 21 pb @ 8 TeV for 125 GeV

LHC - What we had for the Discovery

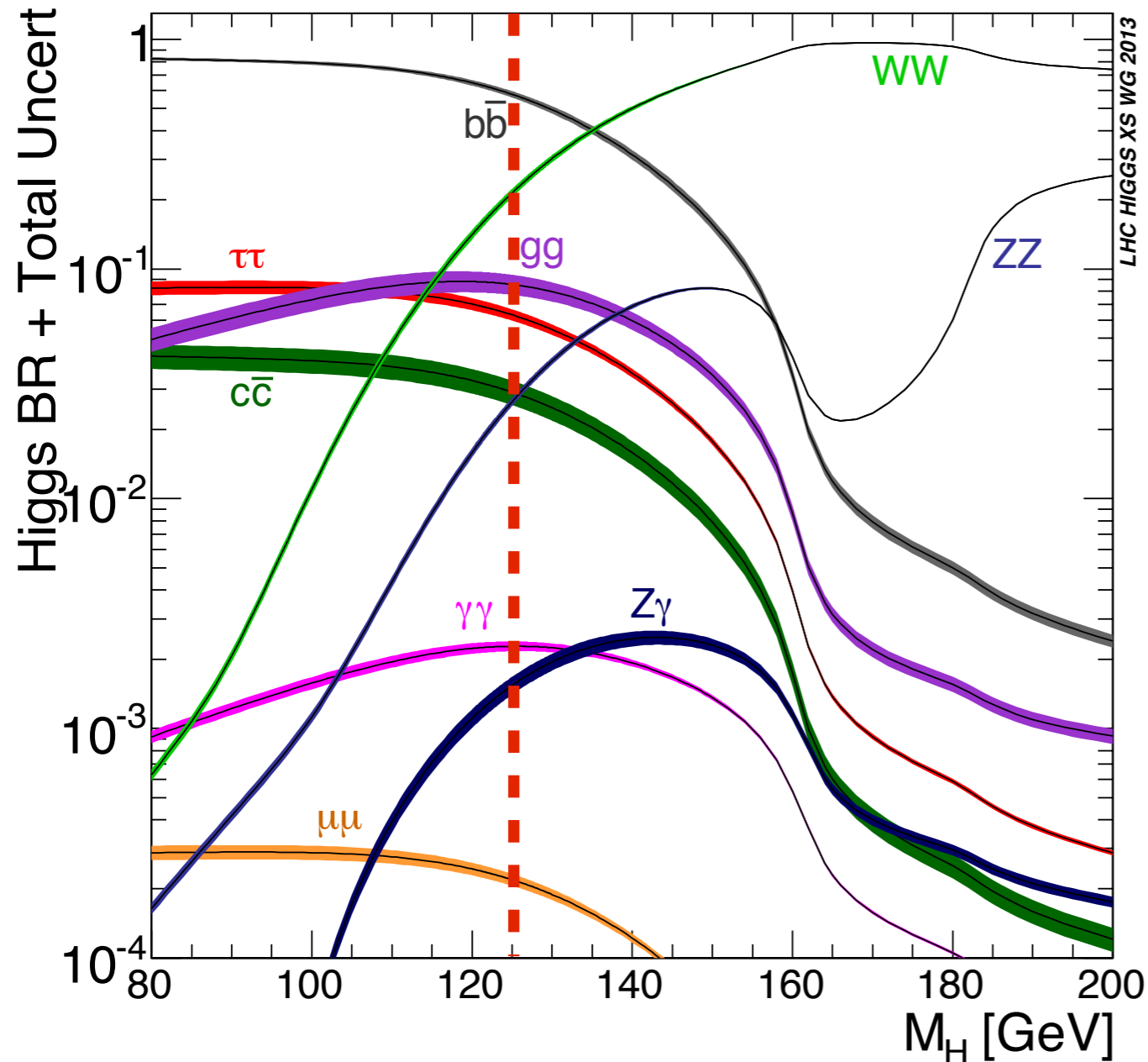


- In 2011: 5.6 fb^{-1} @ 7 TeV
~ 100k H produced
(for a mass of 125 GeV)
- In 2012: 23 fb^{-1} @ 8 TeV
~ 500k H produced
(for a mass of 125 GeV)

NB: No additional data in 2013
and 2014: LHC in shutdown
Since July 2015: 13 TeV,
up to now ~ 4.5 fb^{-1}

The challenge is to pick them out of an enormous background!

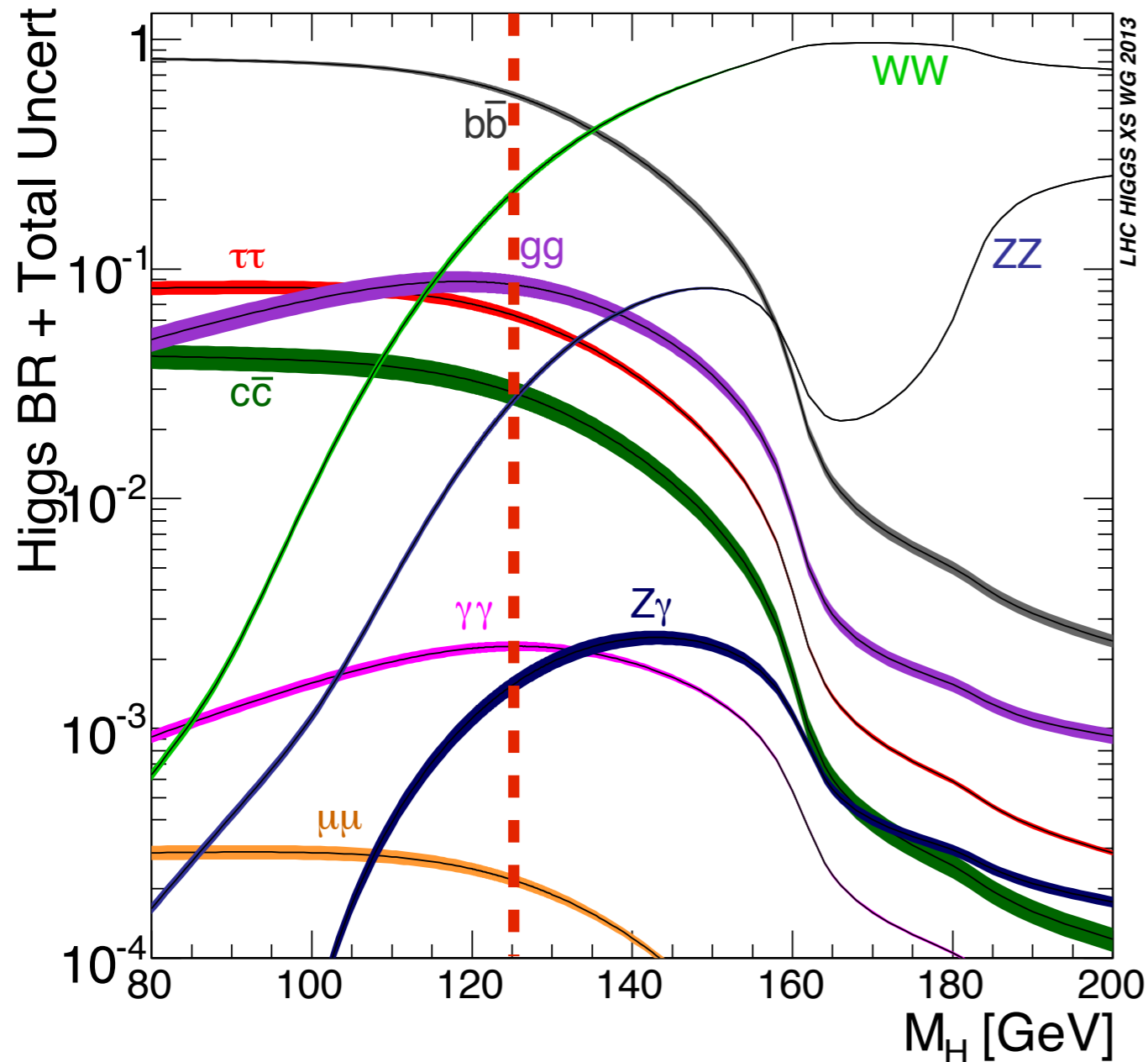
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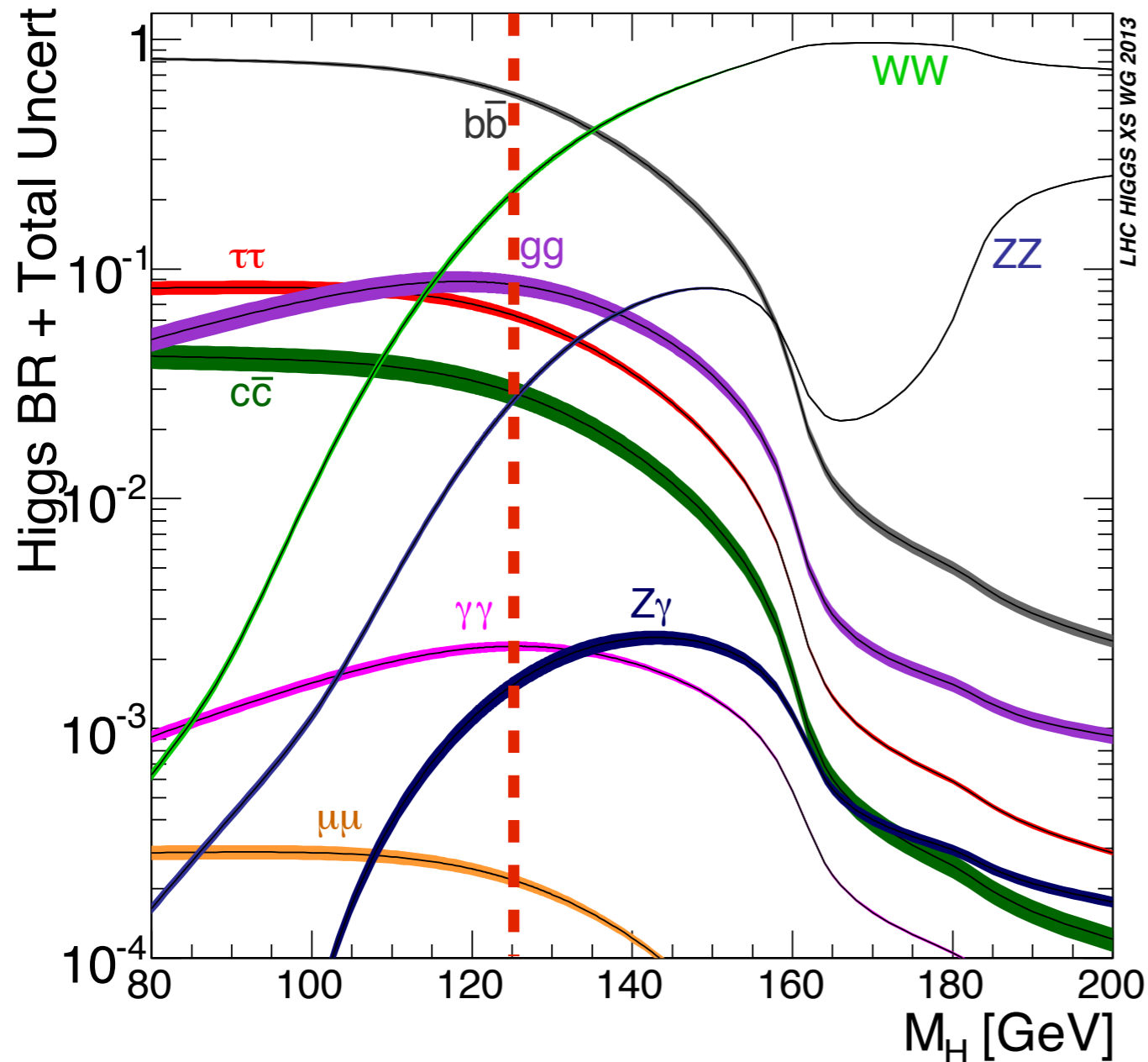


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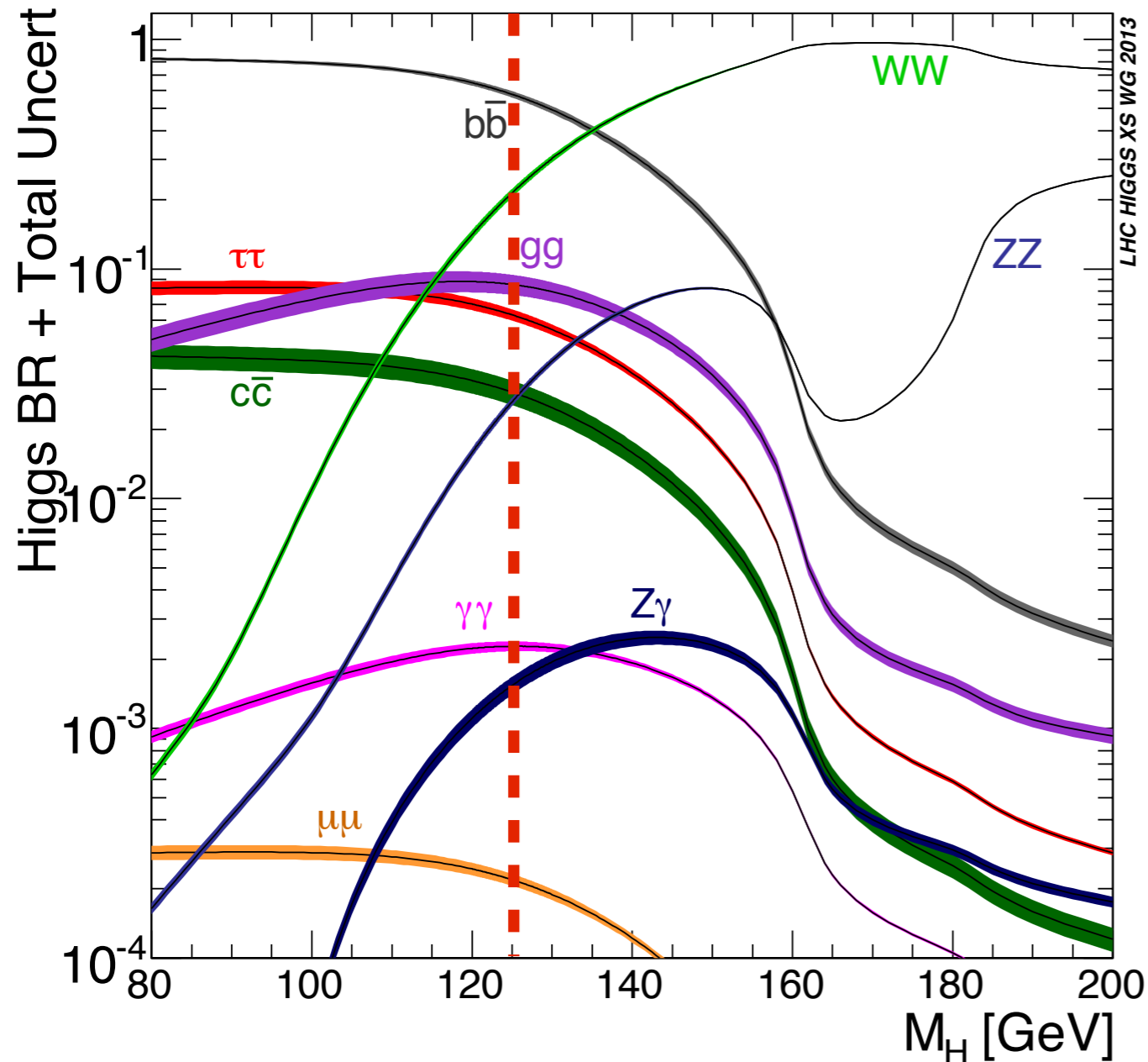
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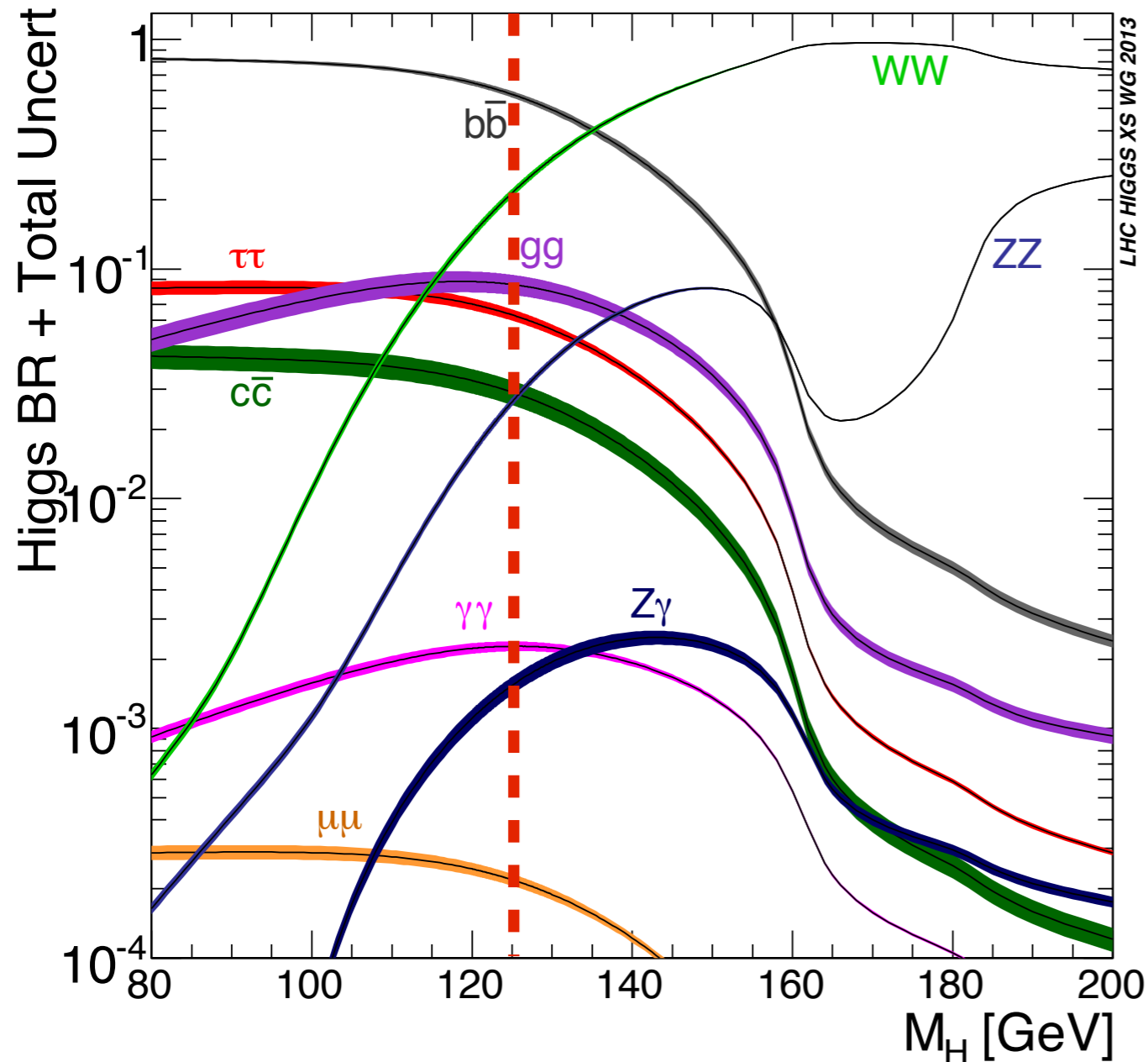
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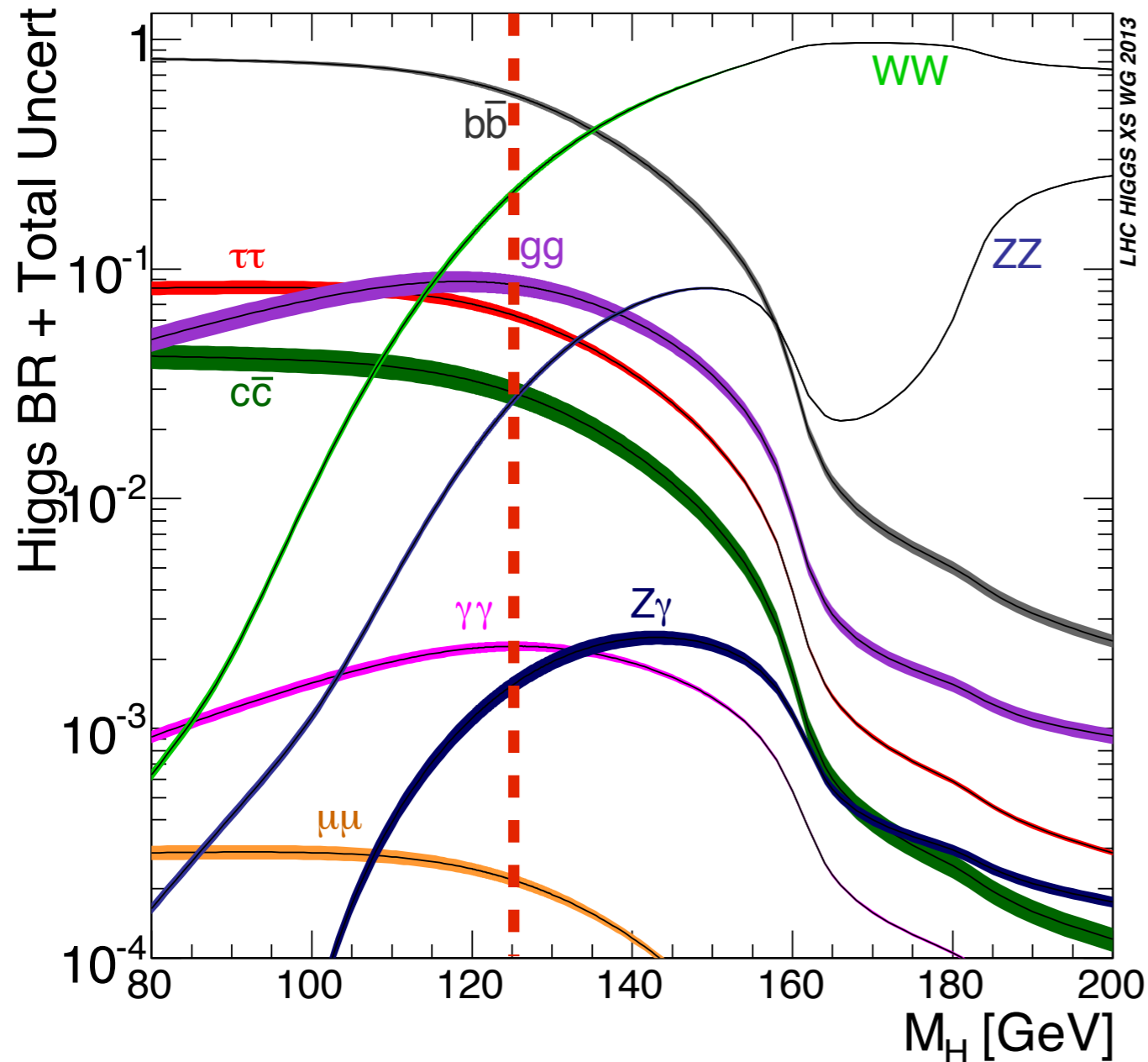
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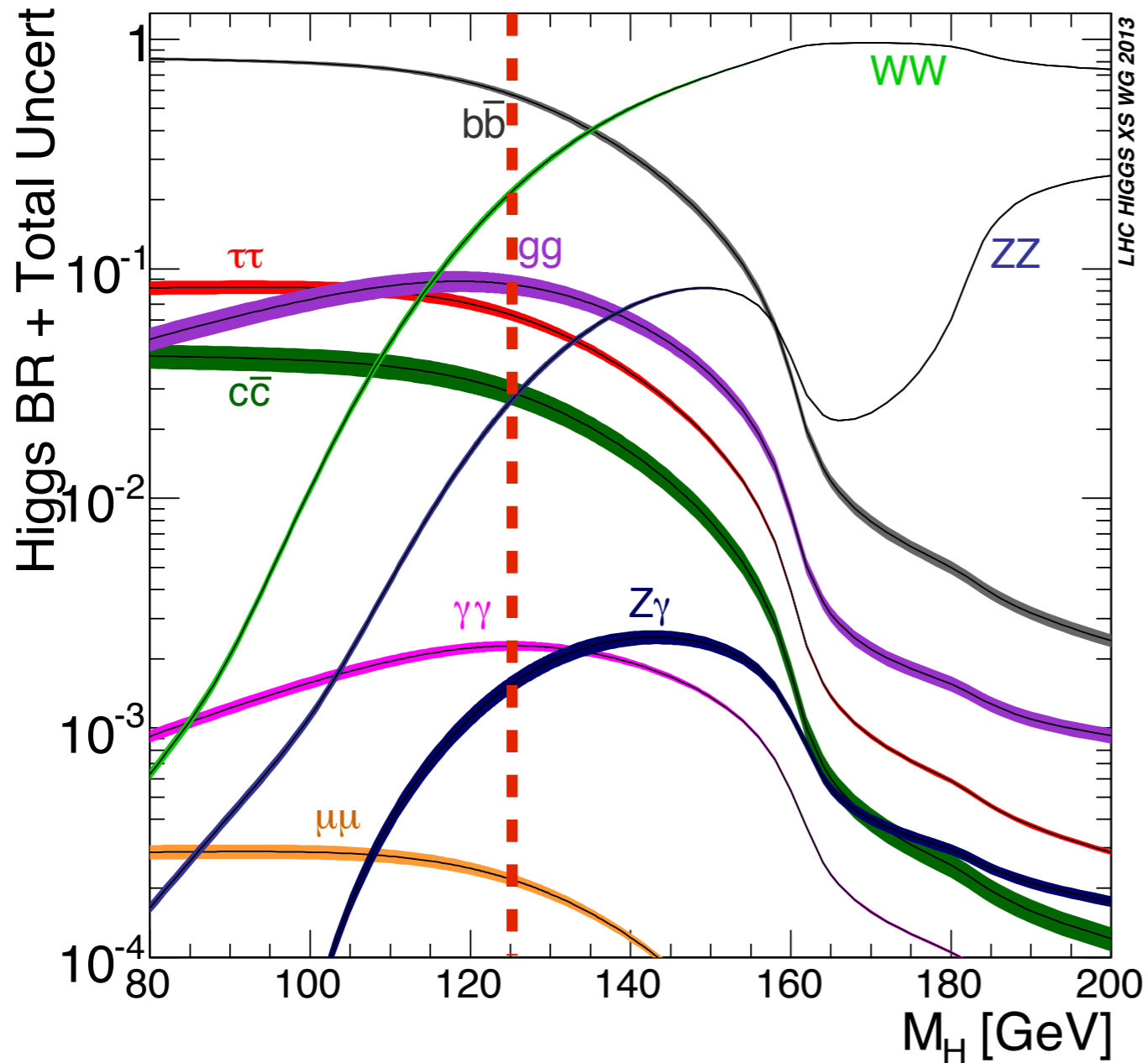
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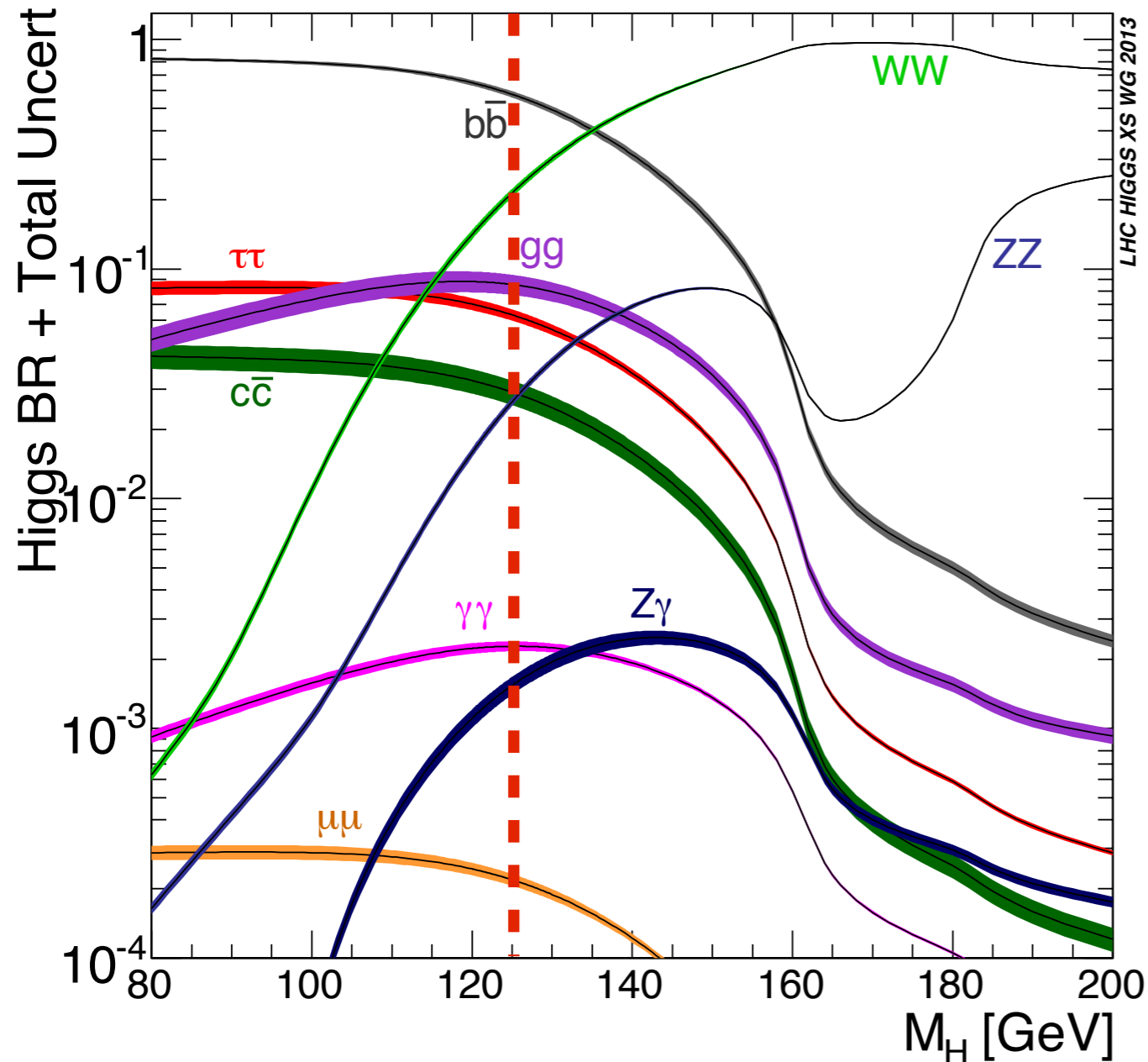
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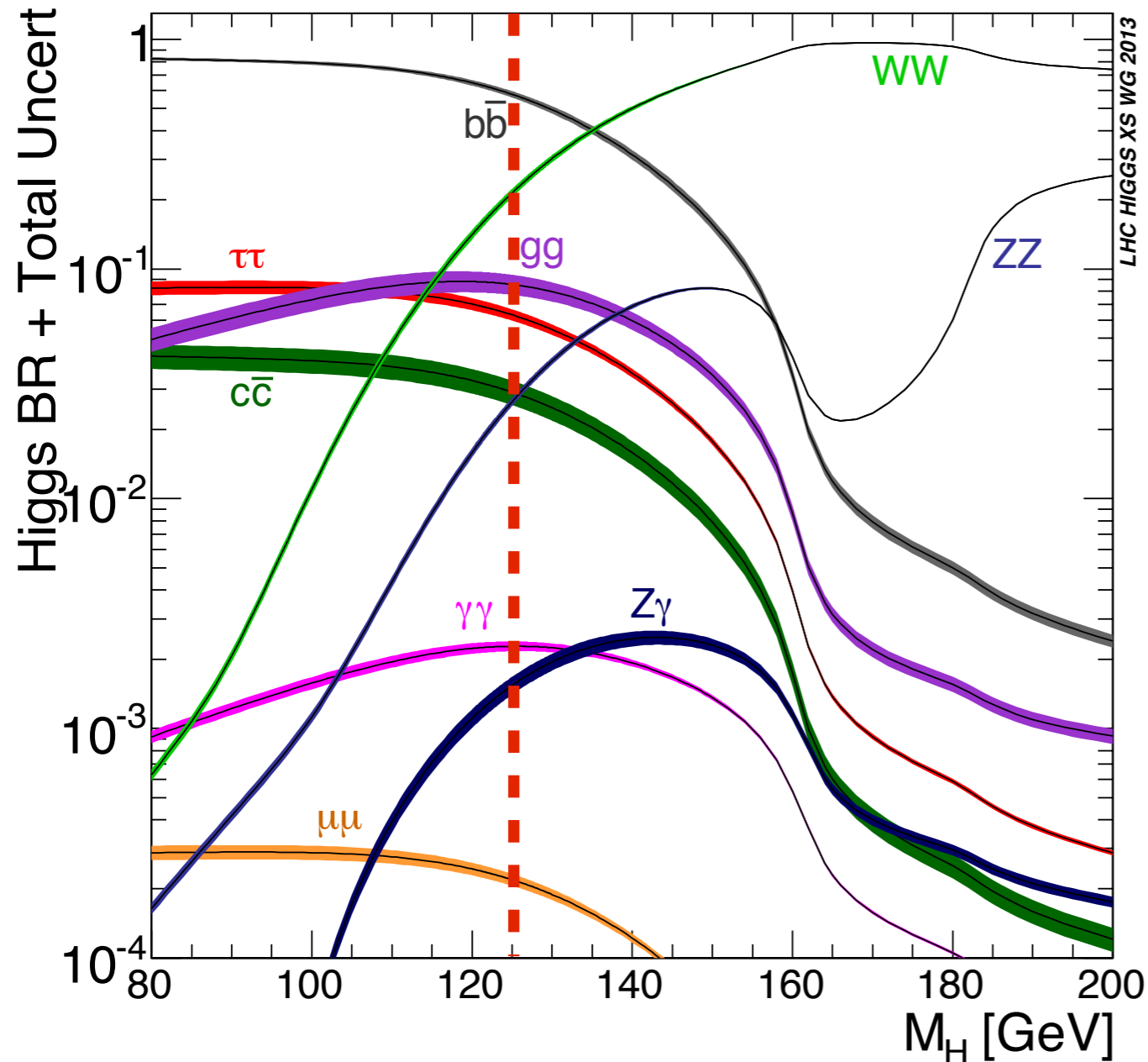


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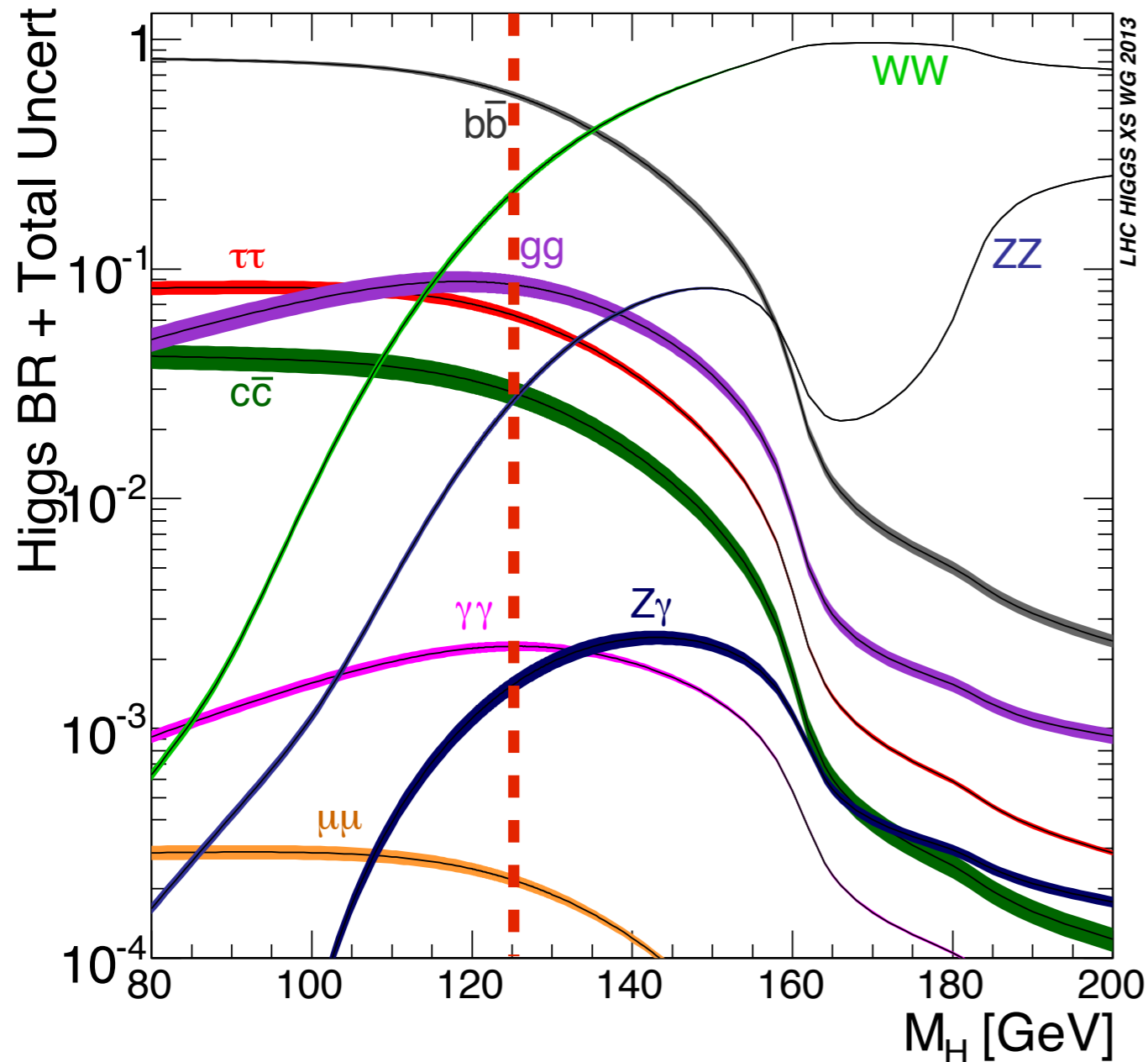
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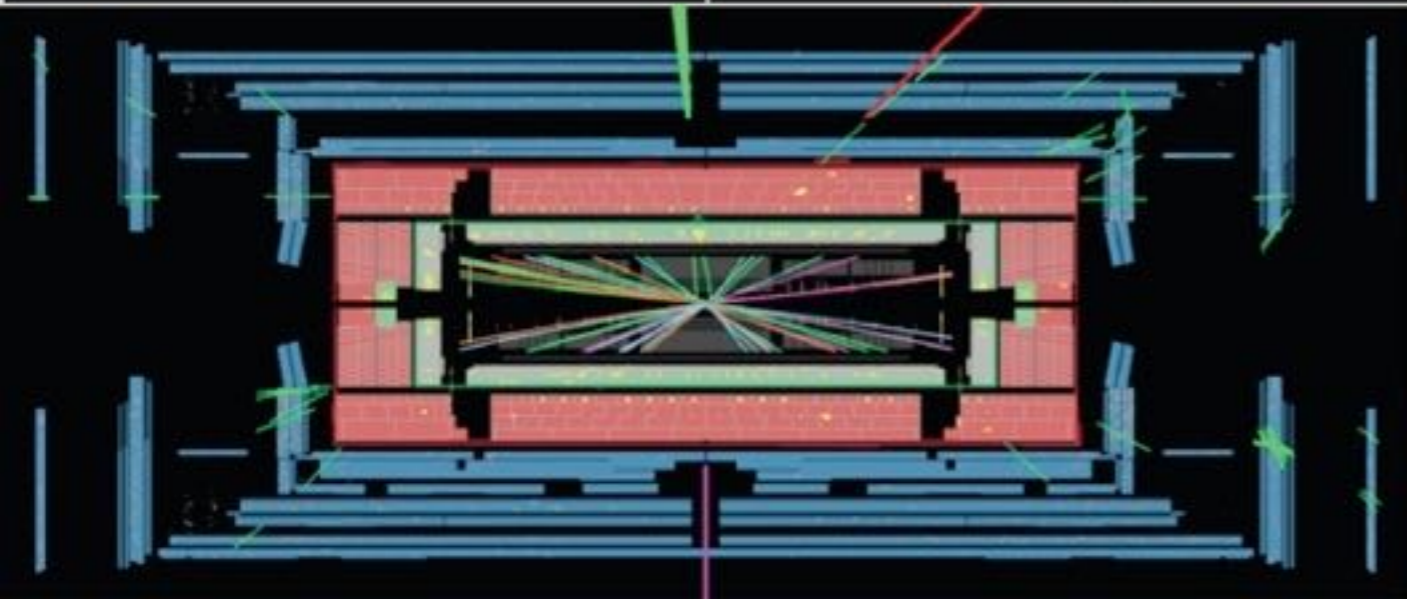
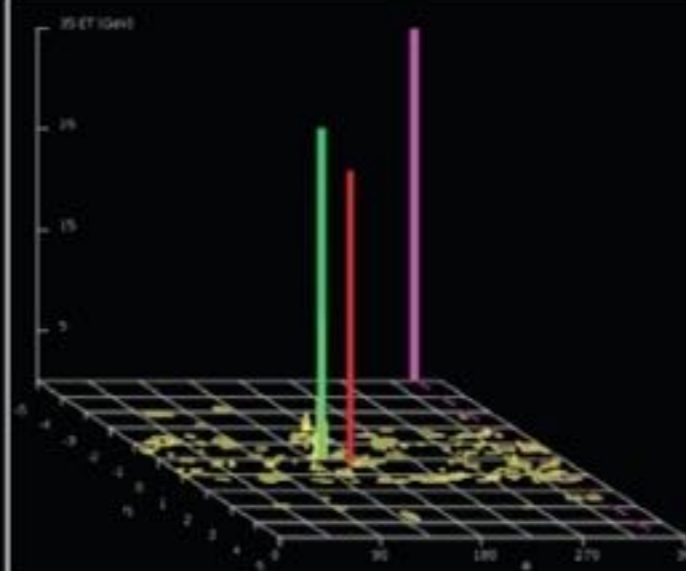
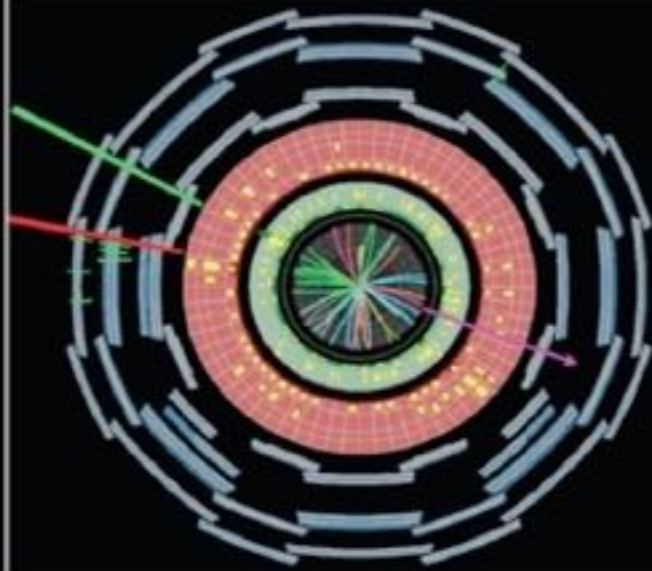
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Discovery Channels - $H \rightarrow WW$

$$H \rightarrow WW^{(*)}$$
$$e\mu + 2\nu$$

0,1 jet Channel

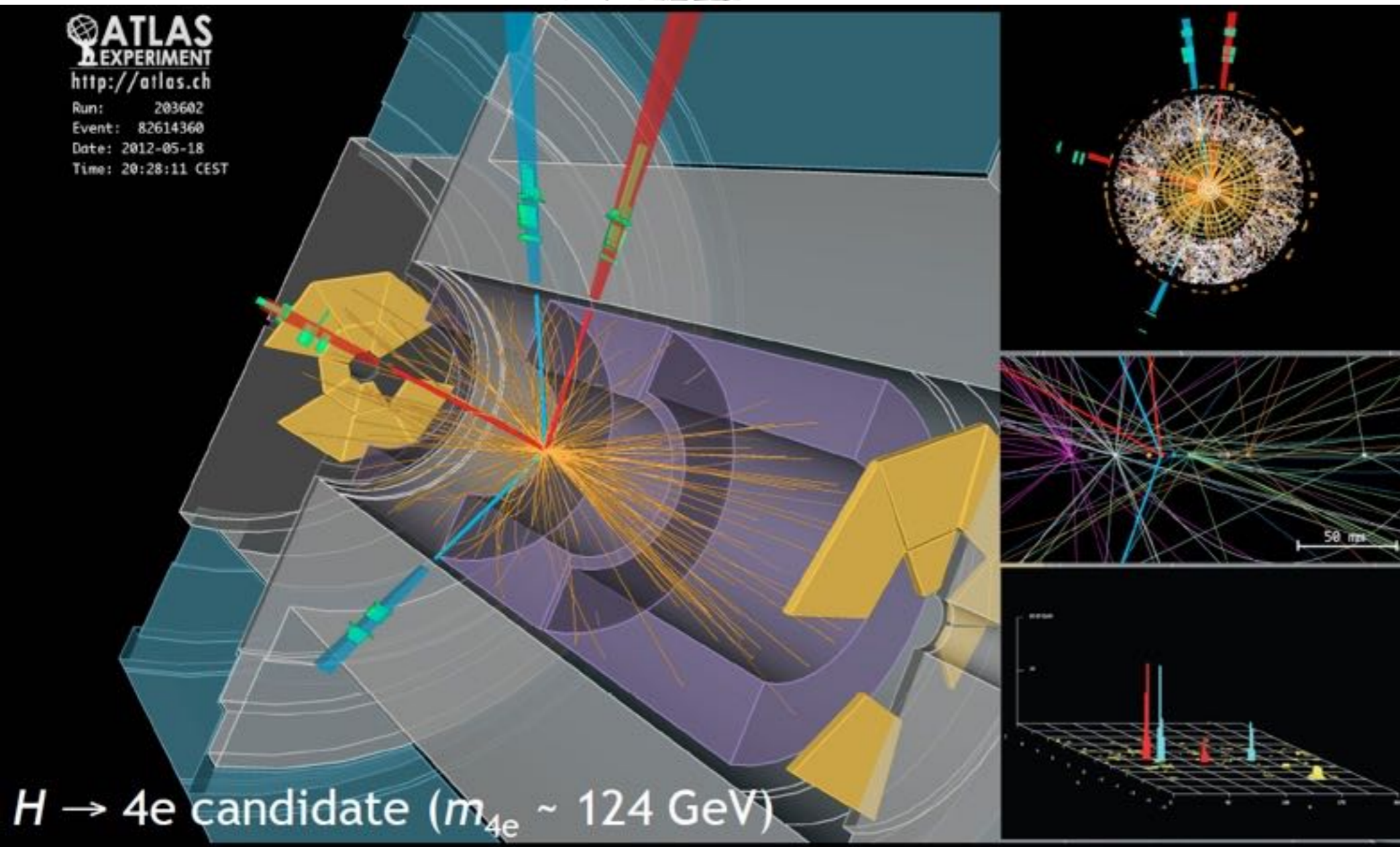
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- High BR: 21.5%
- W decay into $e, \mu + \text{neutrino}$: $2 \times 10.8\%$
- ▶ Total BR:
 $21.5\% \times (21.6\%)^2$
 $= 1\%$

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- ▶ Poor mass resolution (two missing neutrinos)

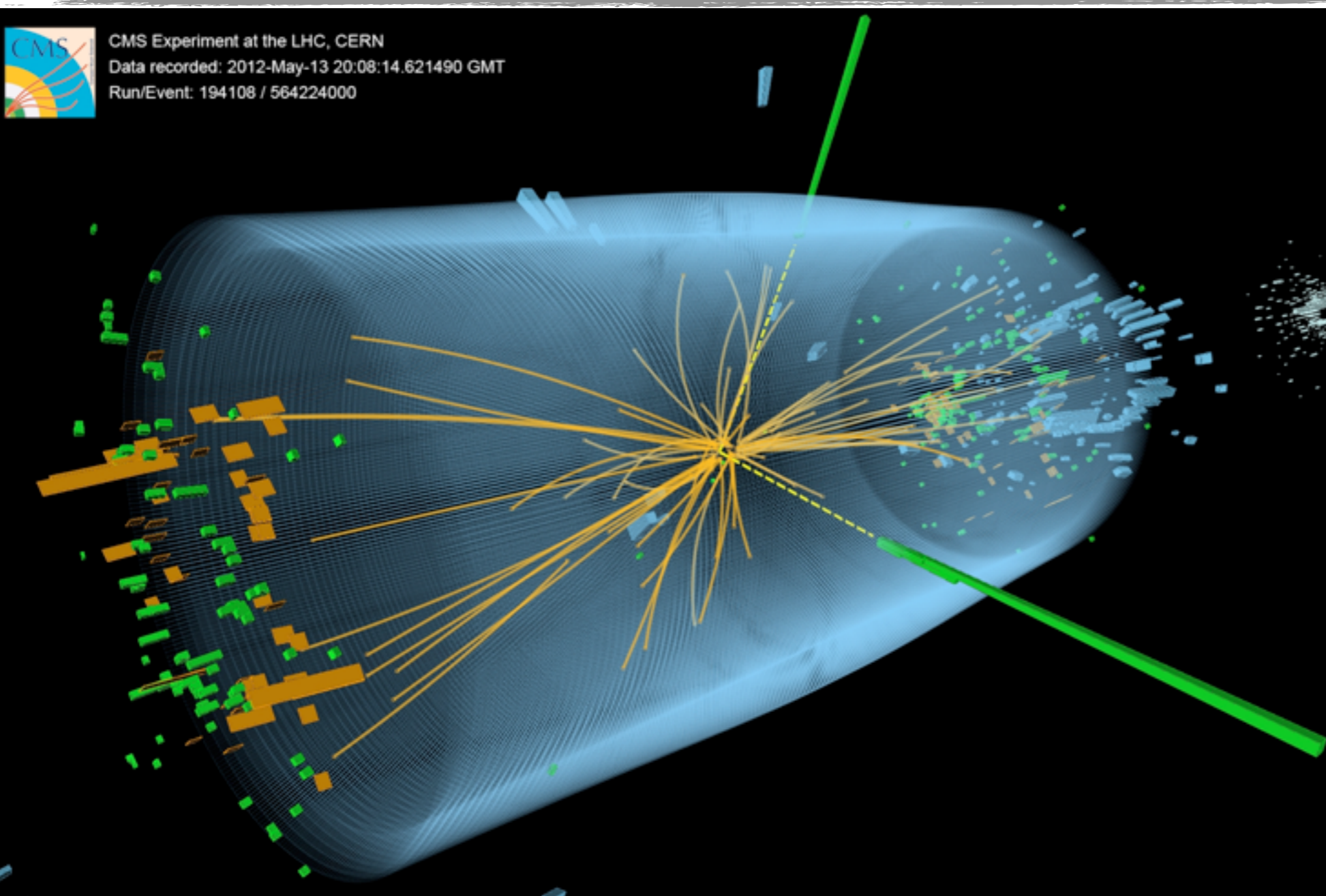
Discovery Channels - H -> ZZ



- Low BR: 2.6%
- Z decay into e, μ pairs:
2 x 3.4%
- ▶ Total BR:
 $2.6\% \times (6.8\%)^2$
 $= 1.2 \times 10^{-4}$

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- ▶ Excellent mass resolution: $\sim 1\%$, very good purity

Discovery Channels - $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



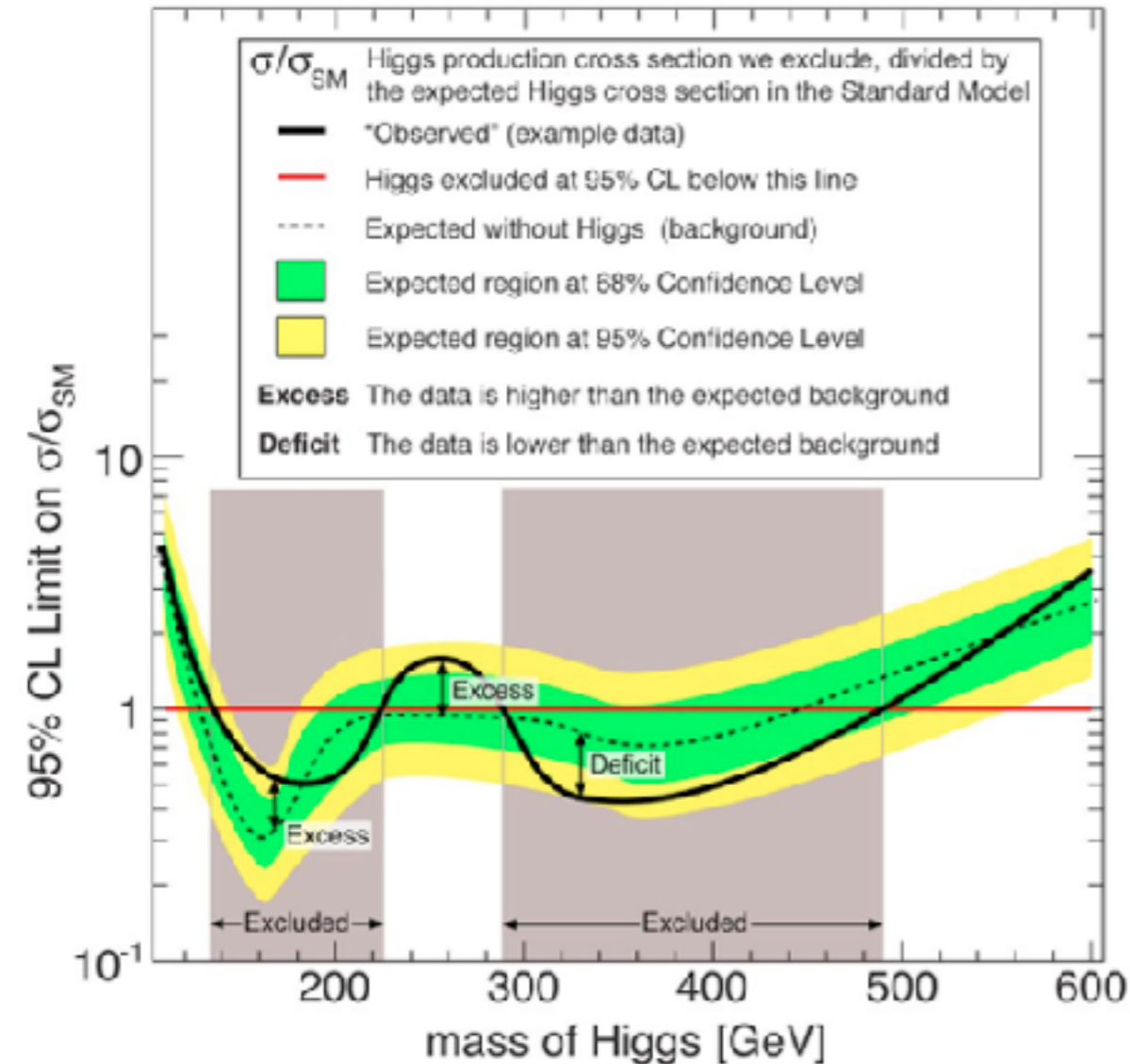
- Good mass resolution: $\sim 1\%$ level, given by photon energy resolution of ECAL
- Low branching fraction:

$$2.3 \times 10^{-3}$$

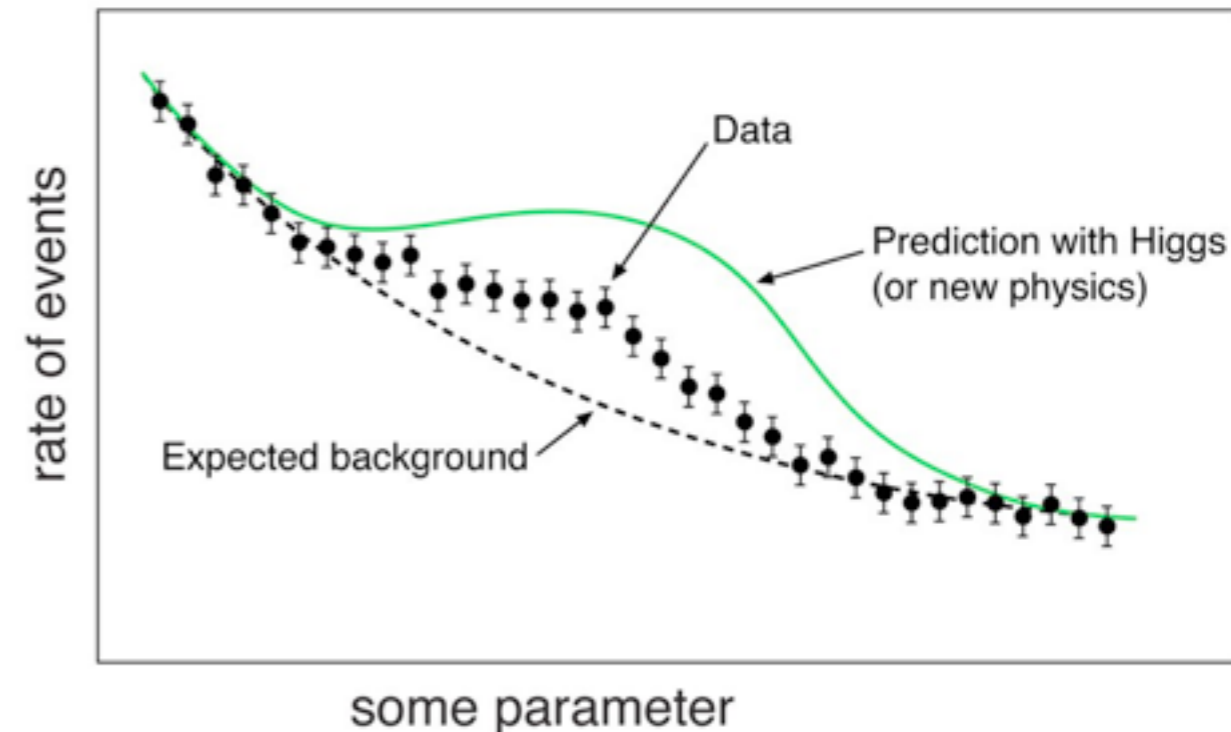
- Moderate background level - Good mass resolution allows to identify signal on top of random photon pairs

Understanding Higgs Exclusion Limits

Explanatory figure (not actual data)

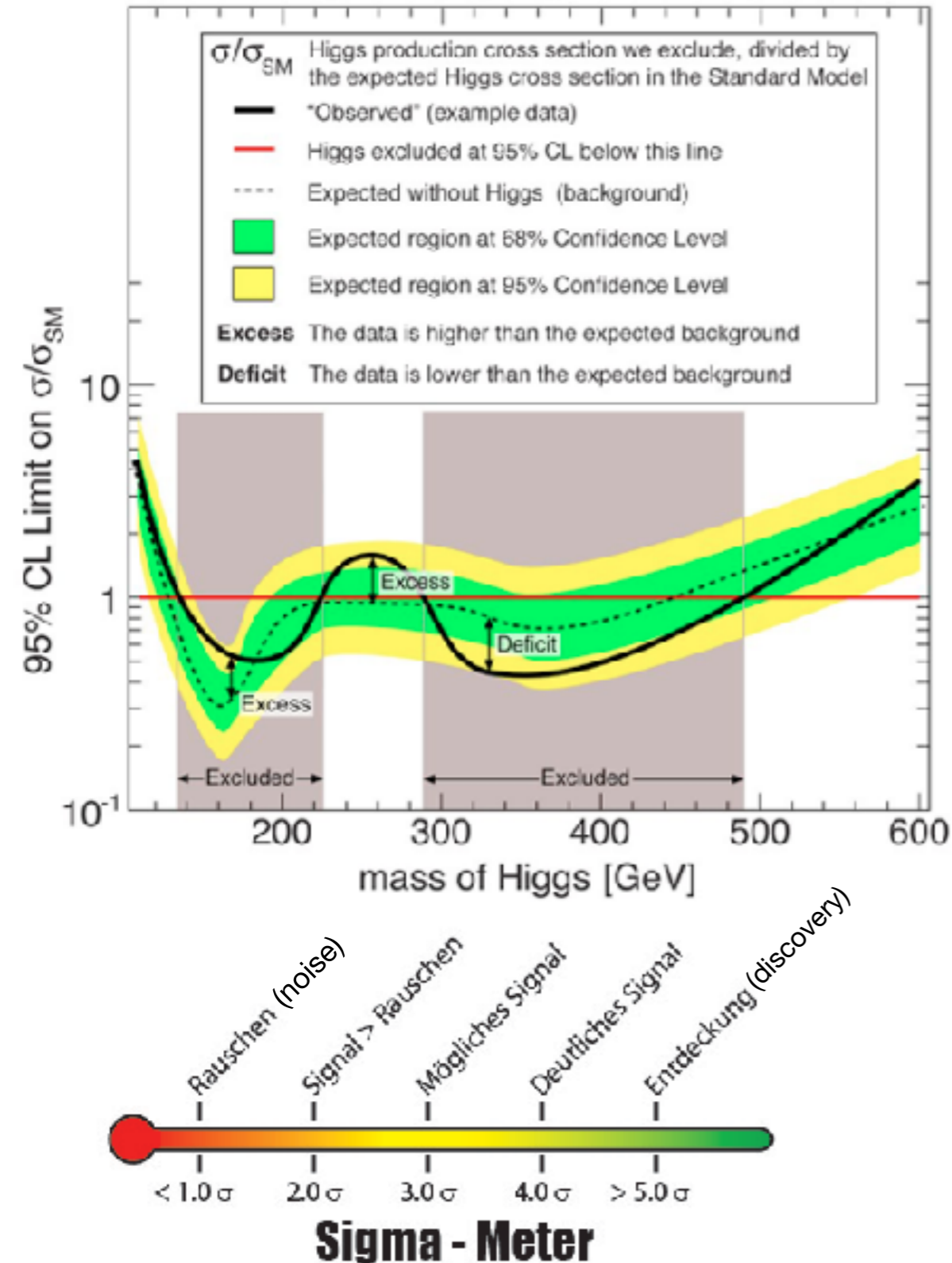


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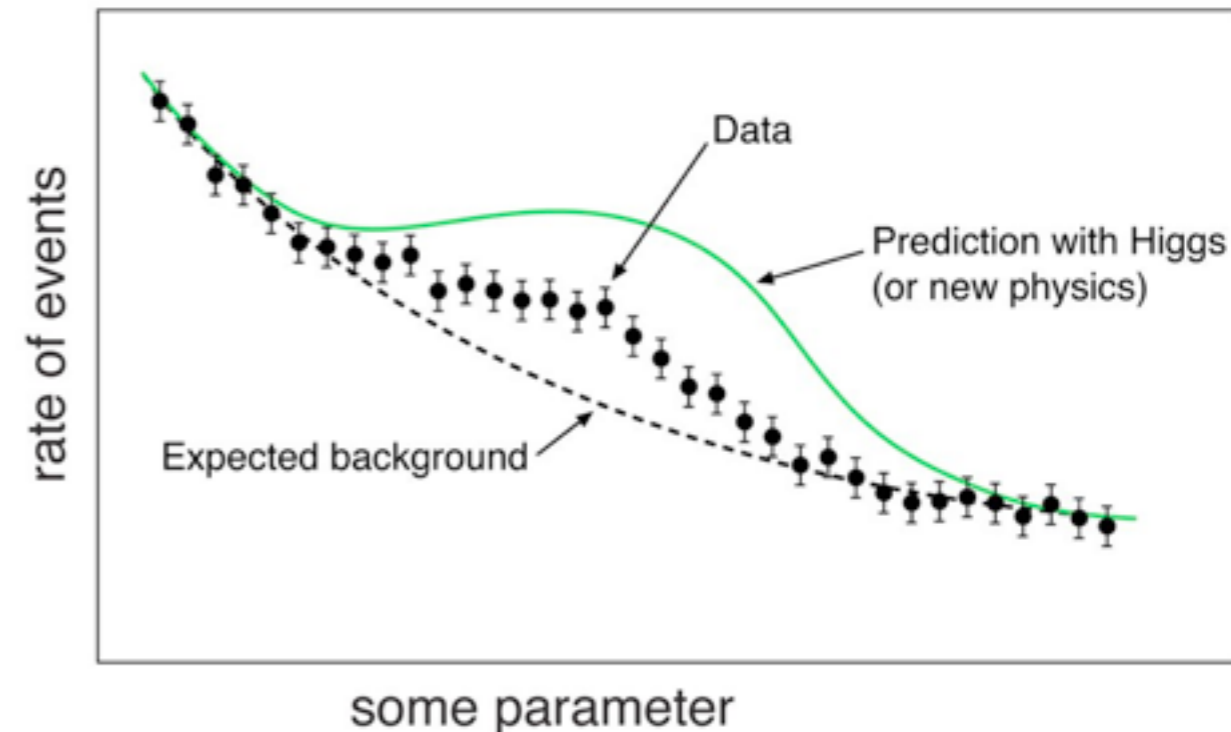


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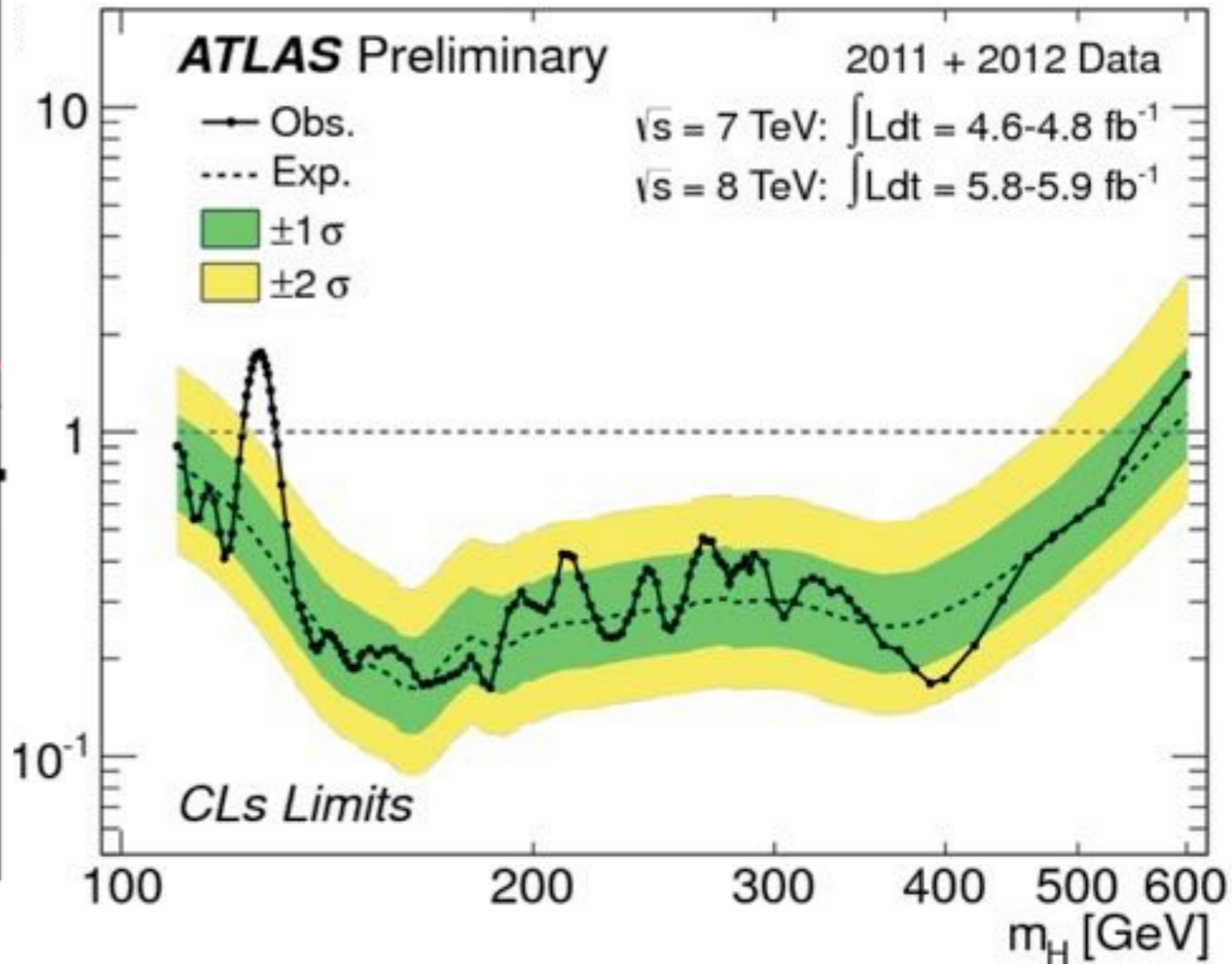
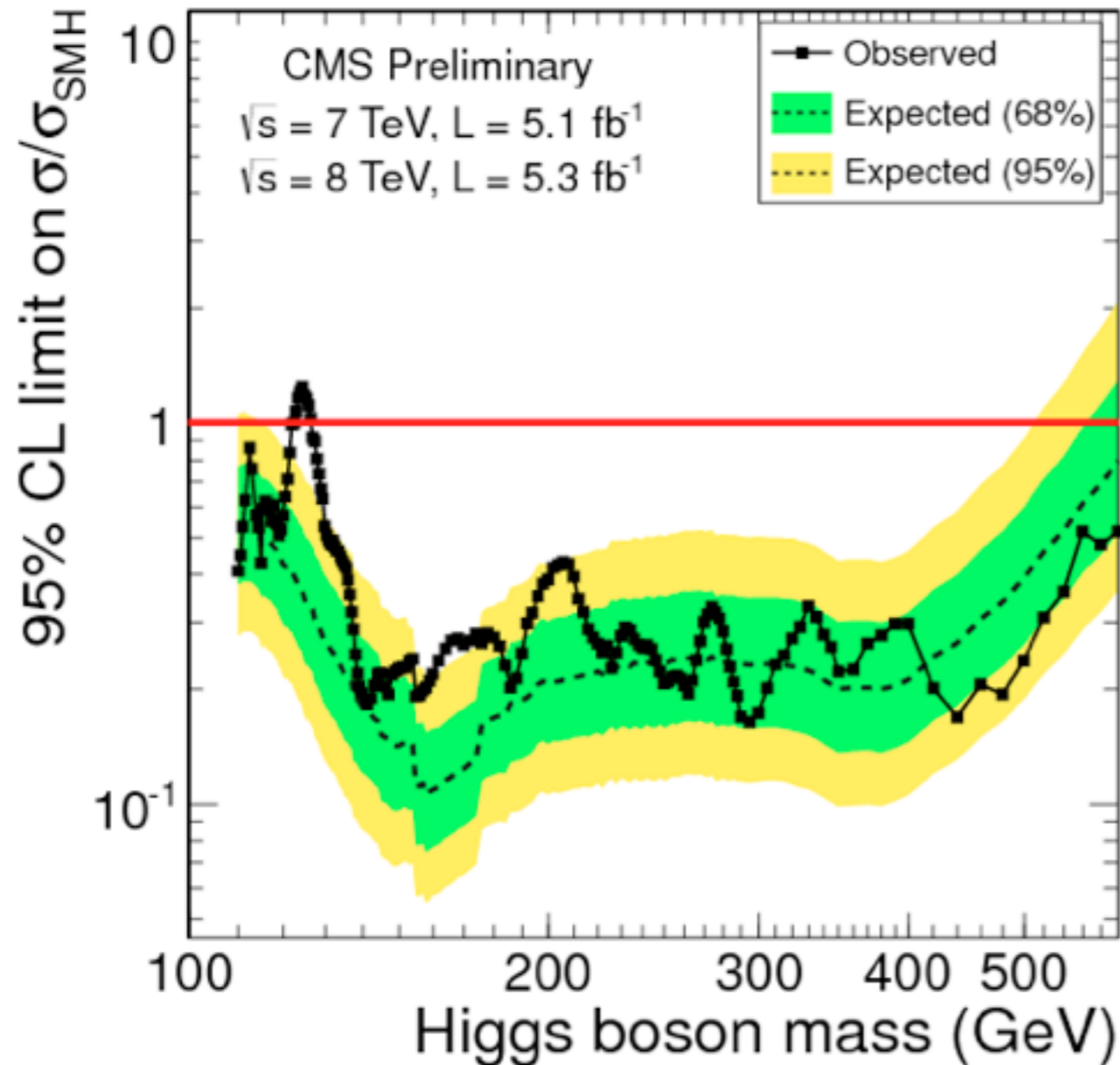
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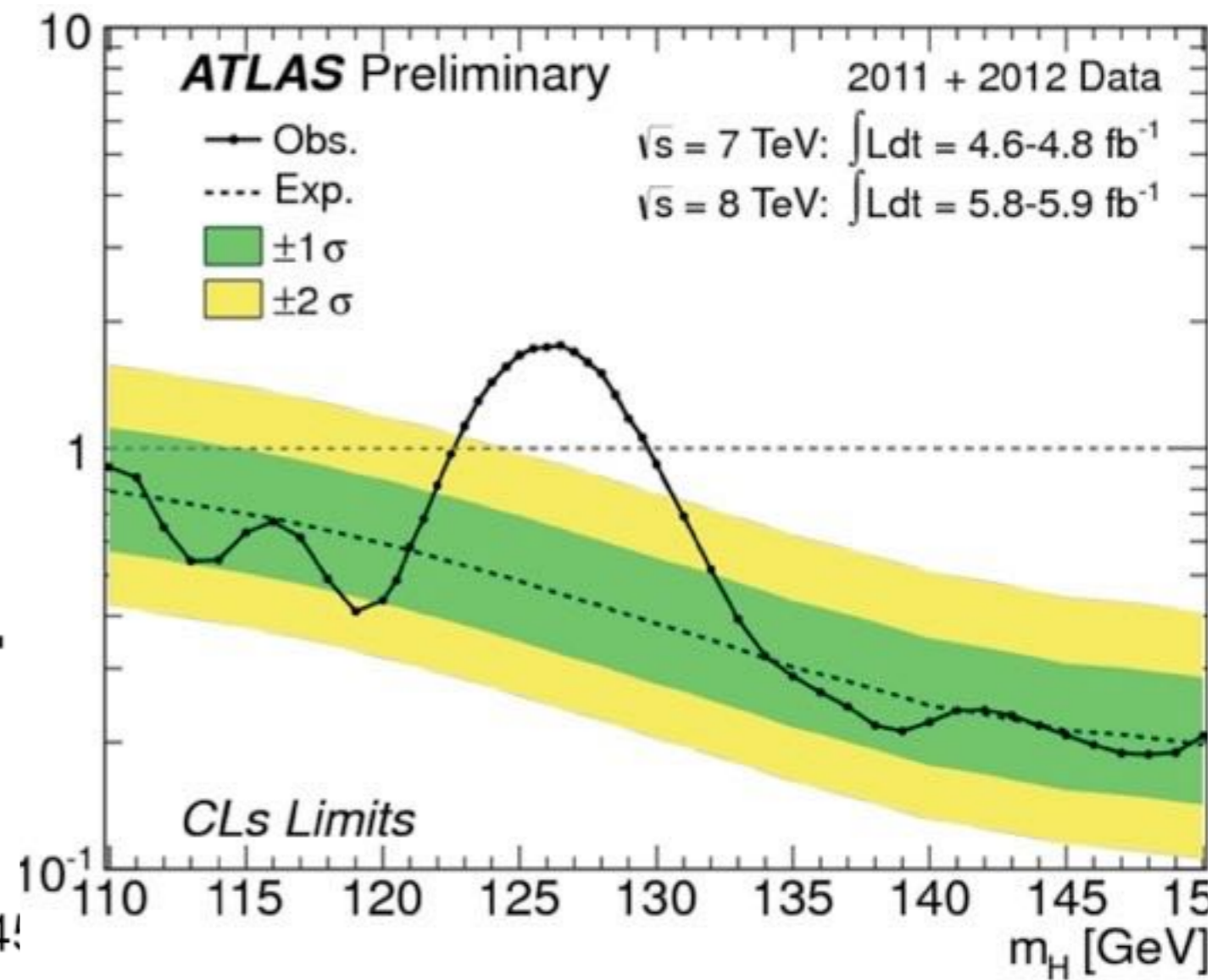
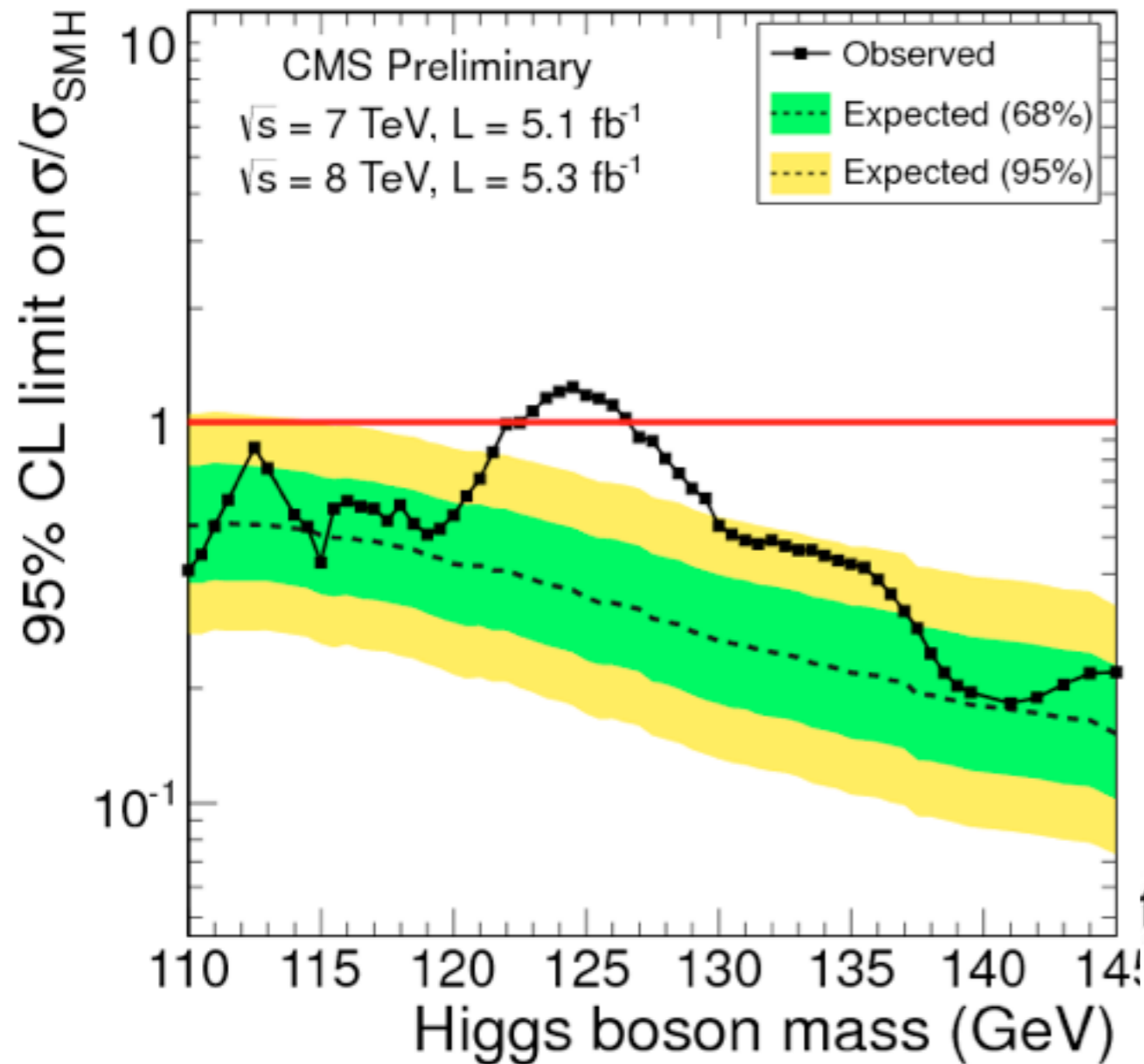


The Discovery - All Channels Combined



- The SM Higgs is excluded over the full range from 110 GeV to 600 GeV, with the exception of the region around 125 GeV
- Observed and expected limits match well within 1 - 2 σ

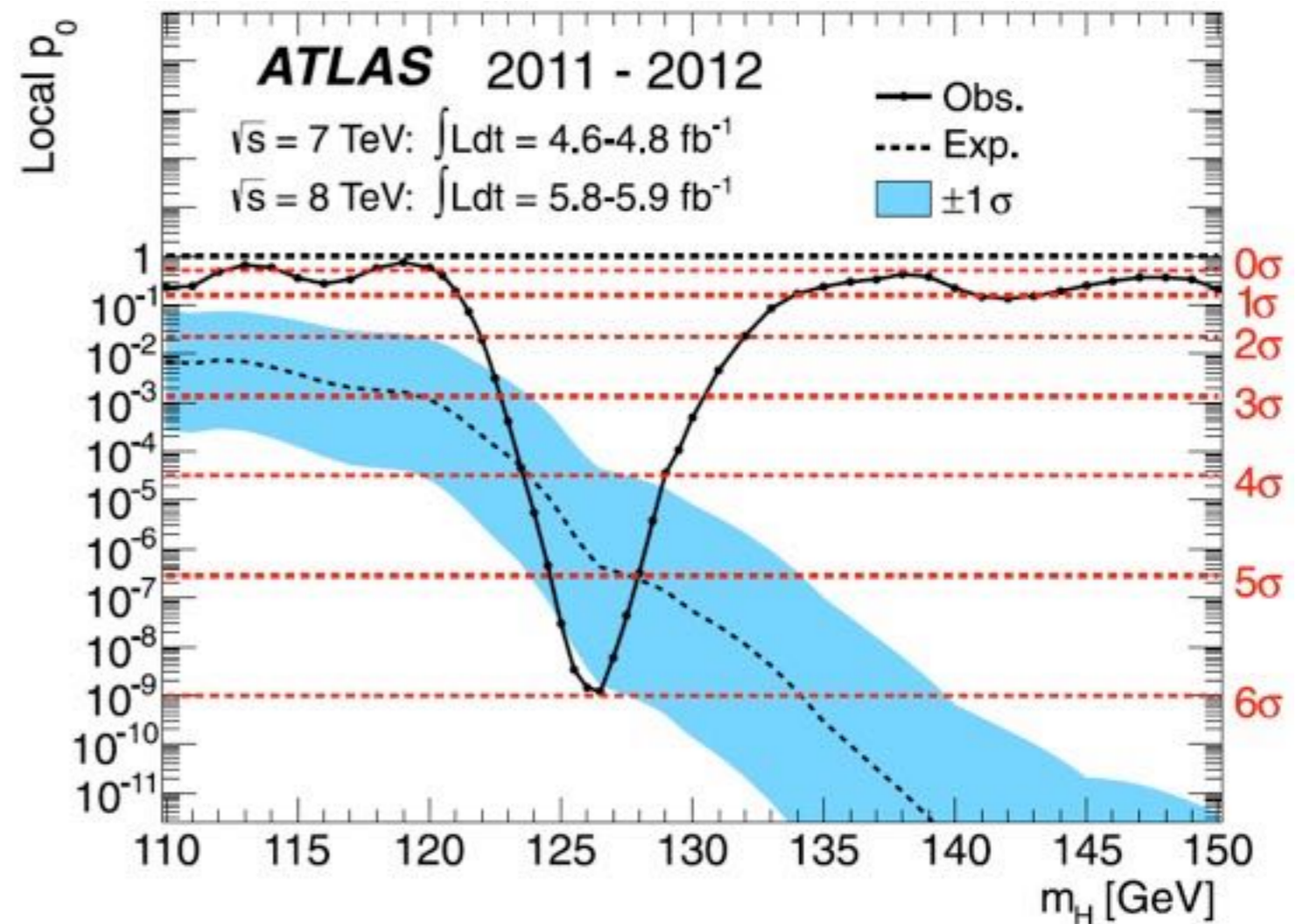
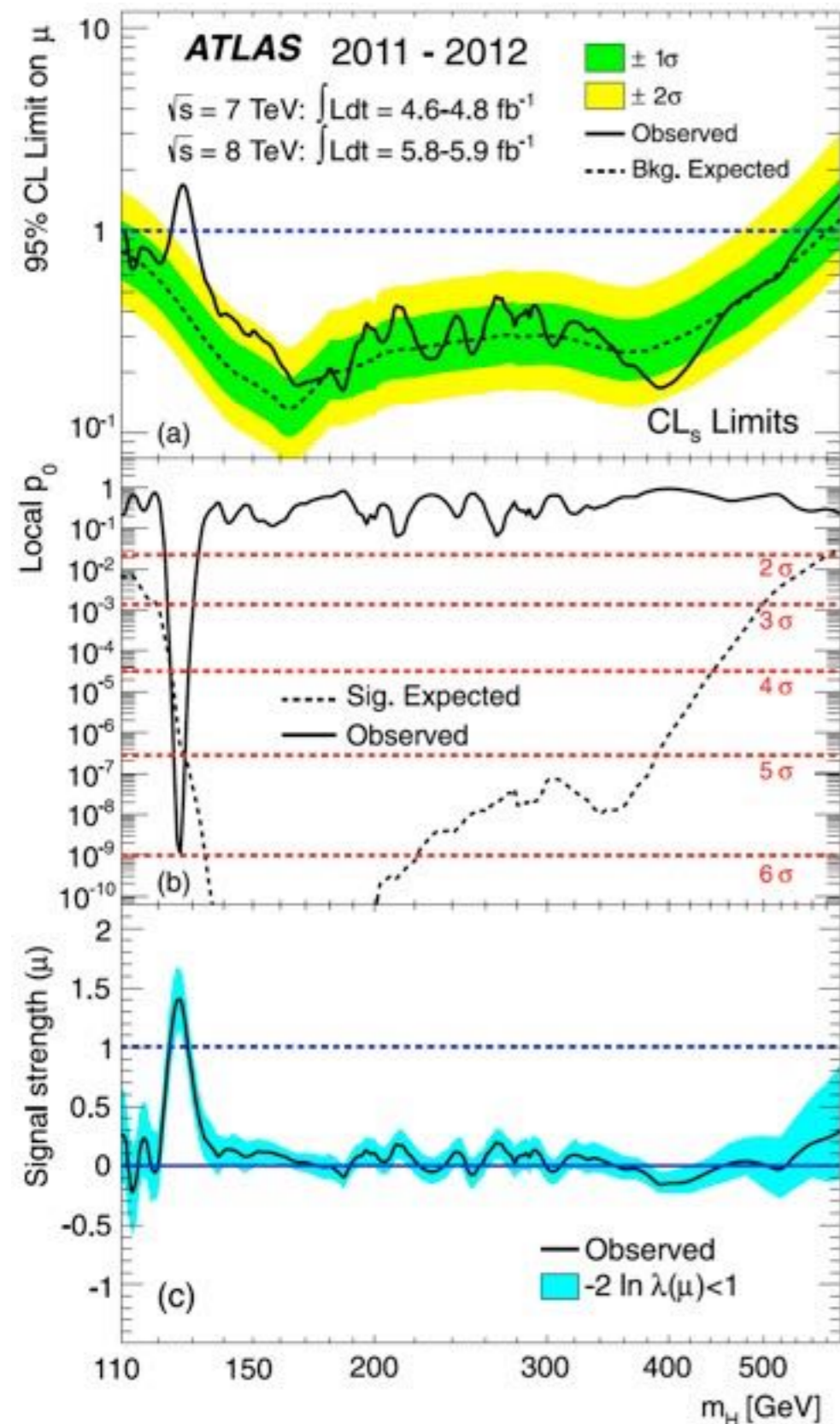
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- Clear signal around 125 GeV, well in excess of the expected exclusion:
A discovery!

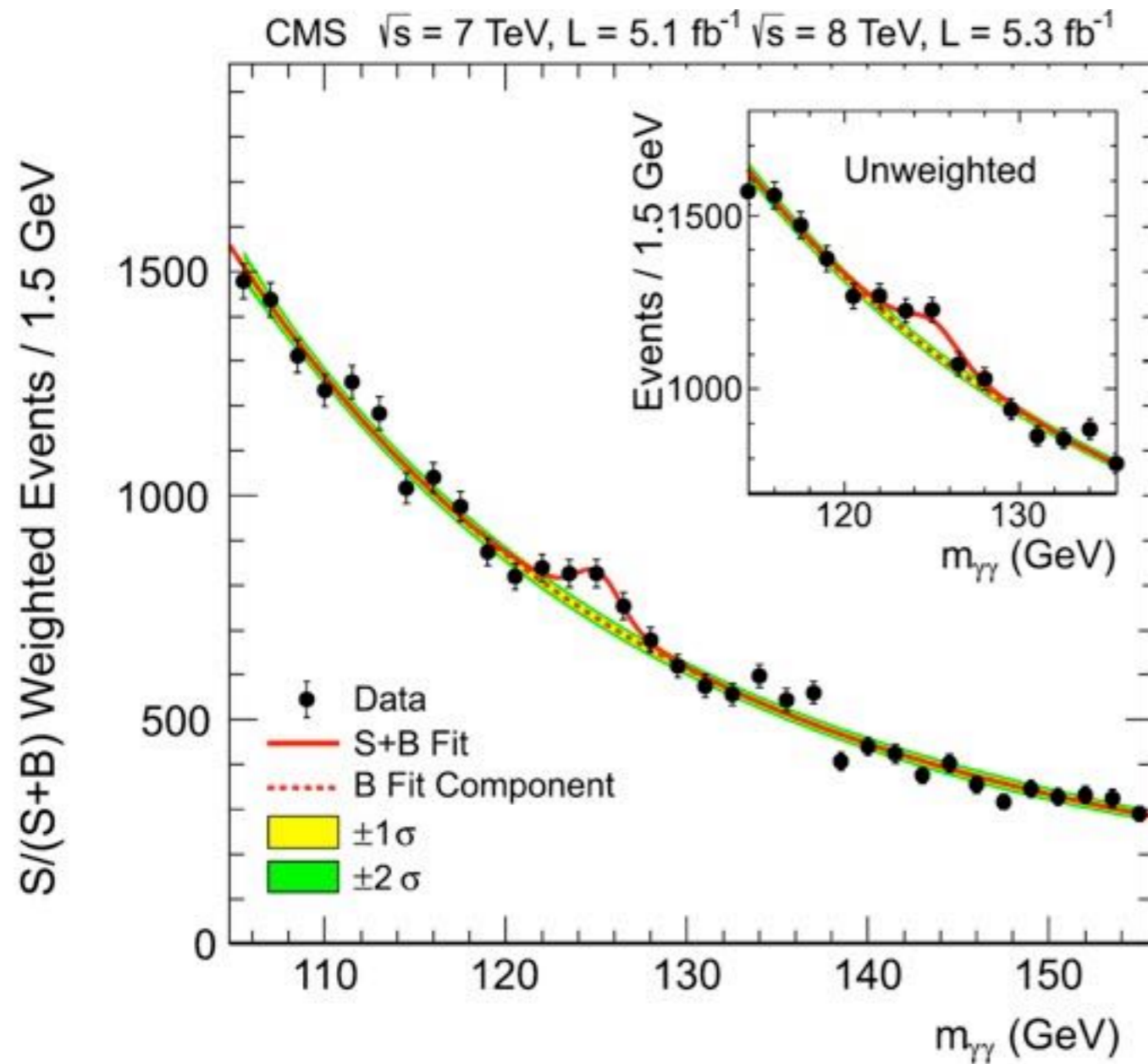
The Discovery - A closer Look at ATLAS

- Local significance (published!) $\sim 6\sigma$
- Probability for a random fluctuation 10^{-9} (like tossing a coin and getting heads 30 times in a row)



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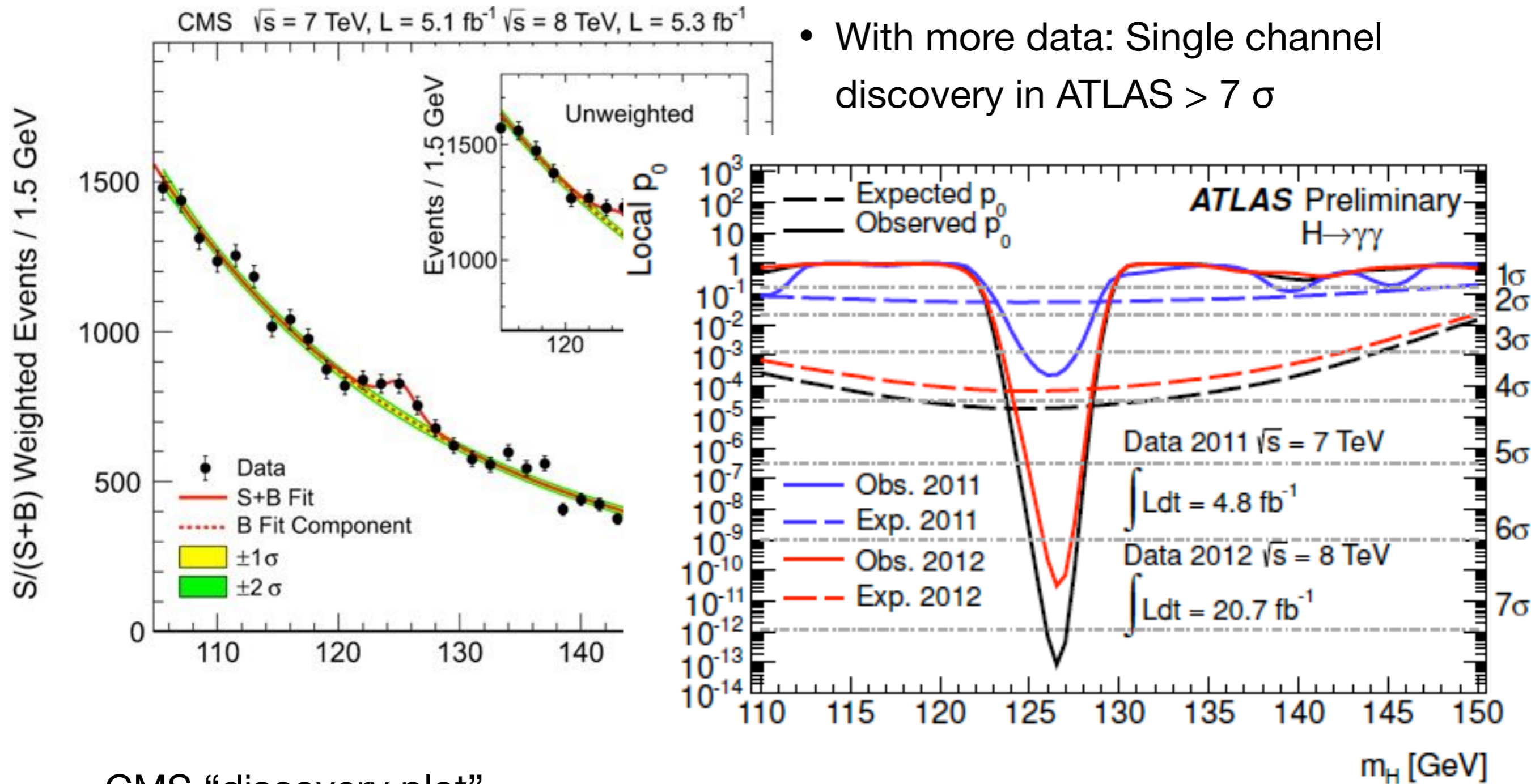
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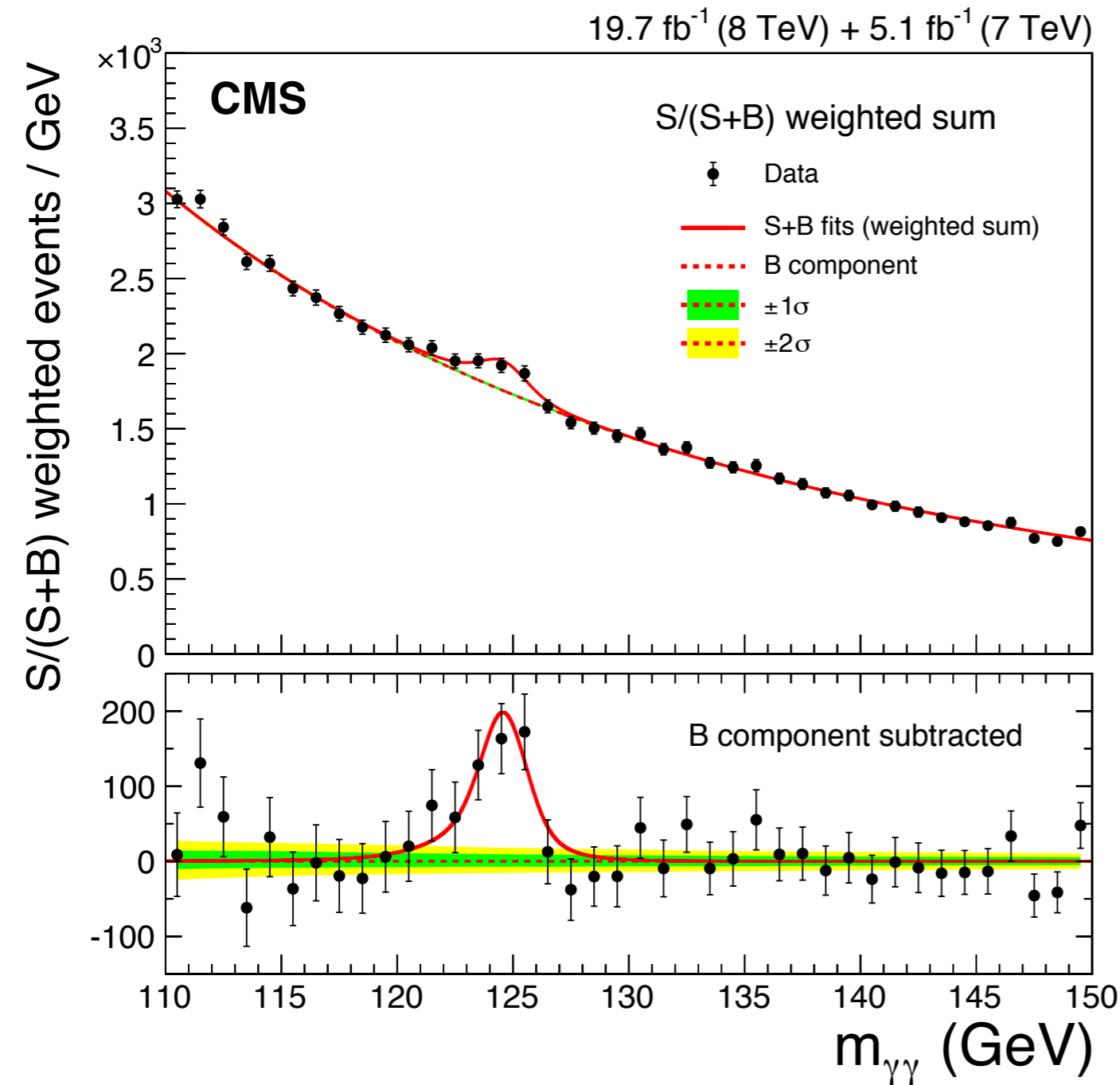


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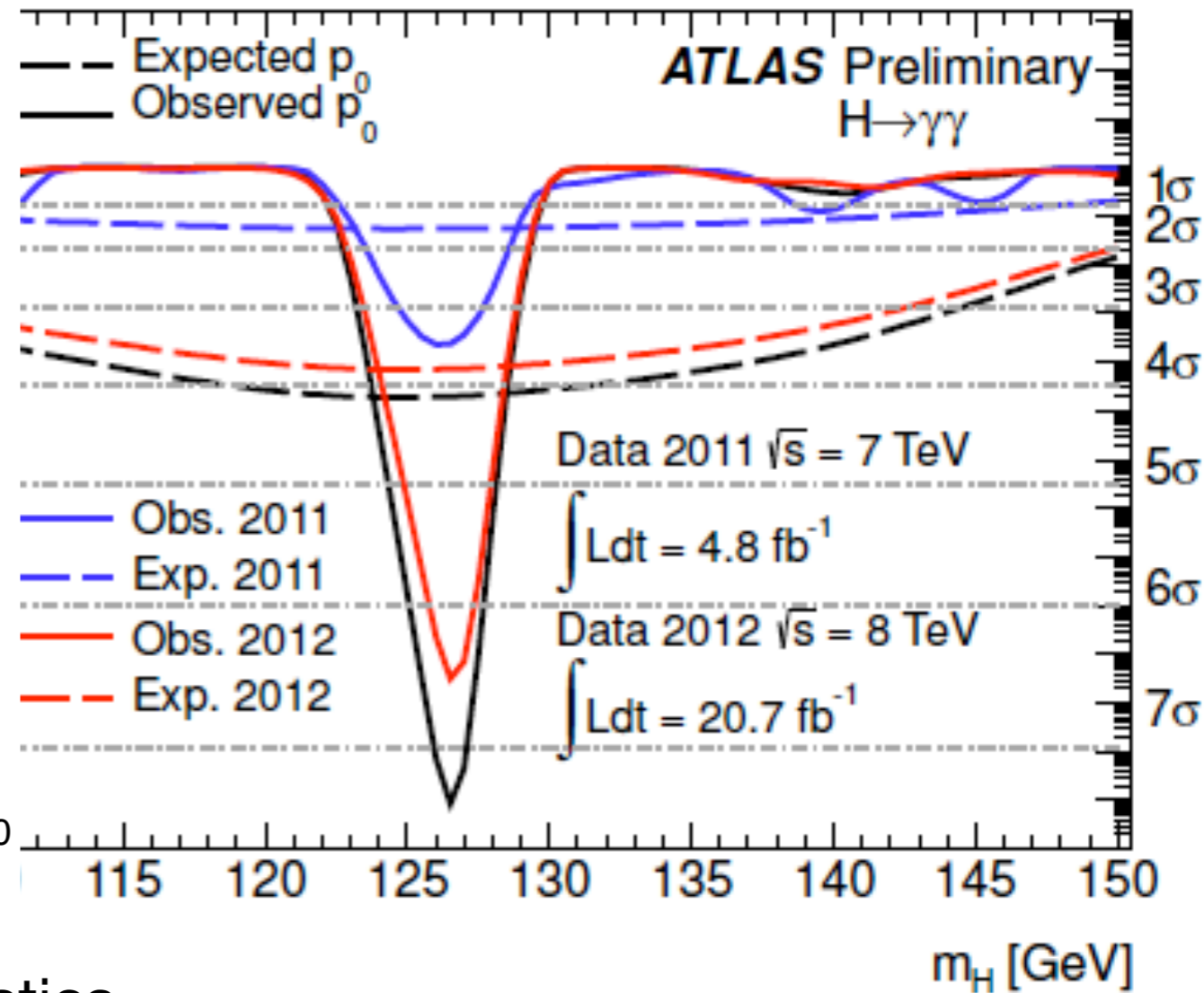
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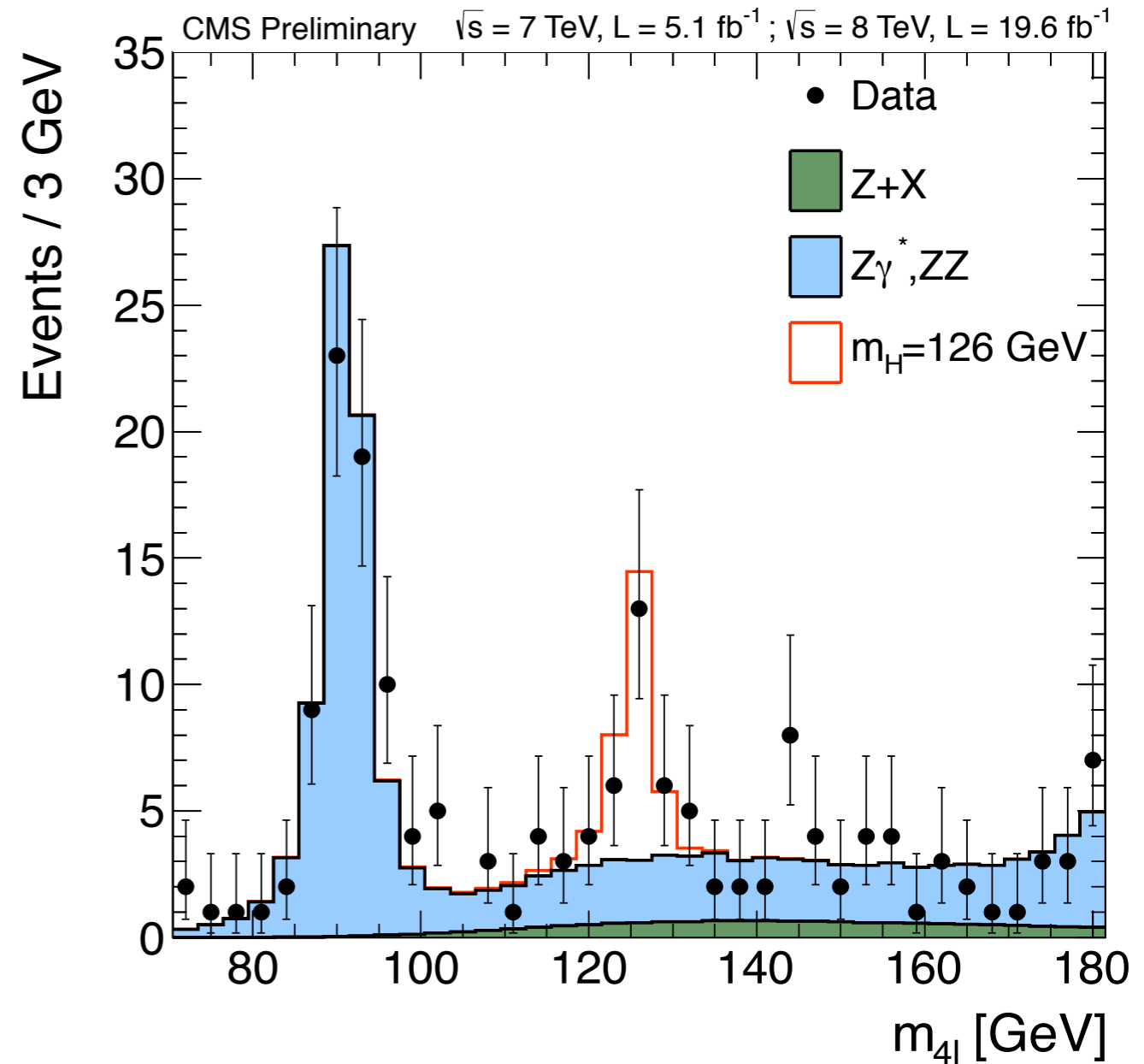
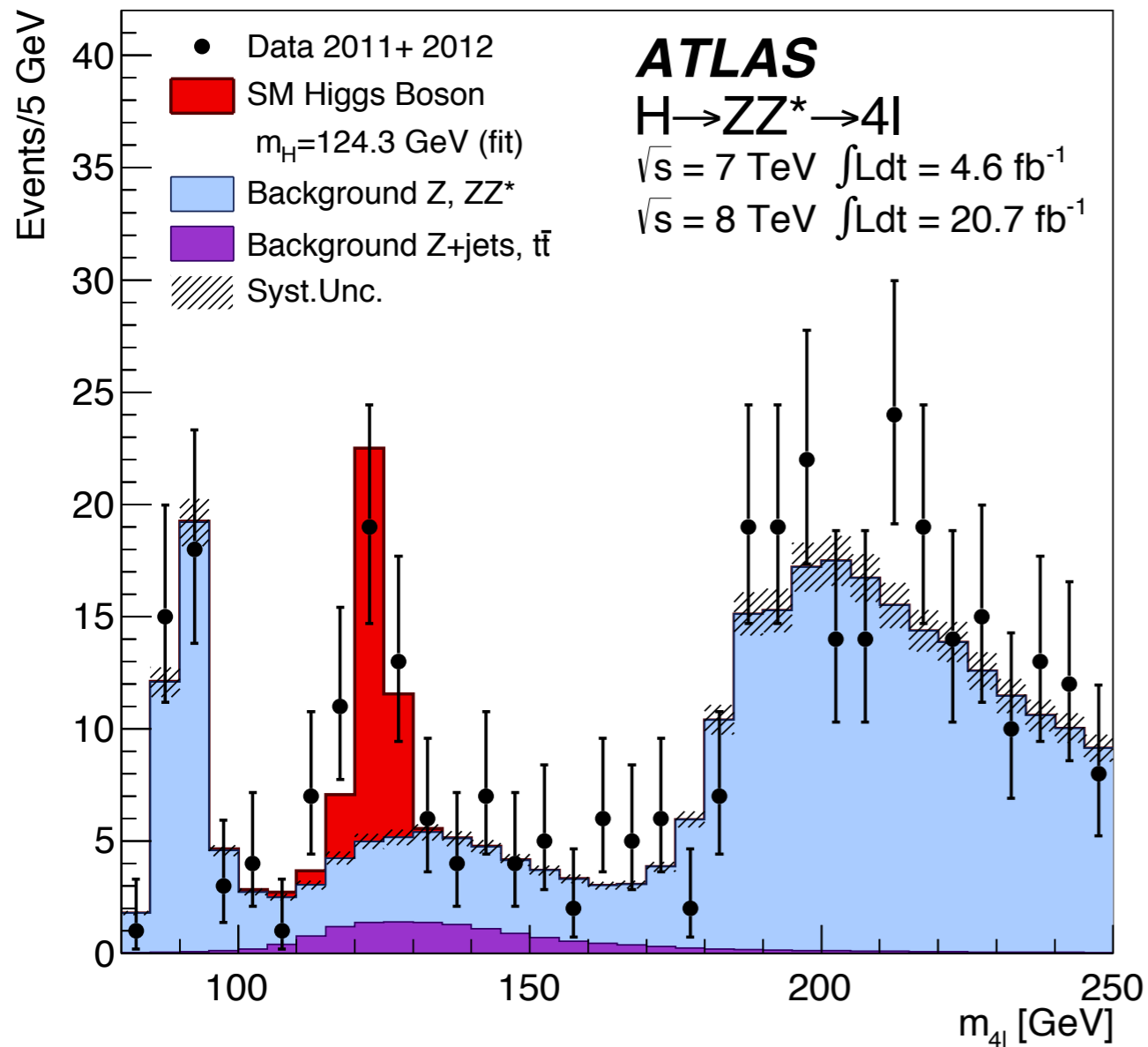
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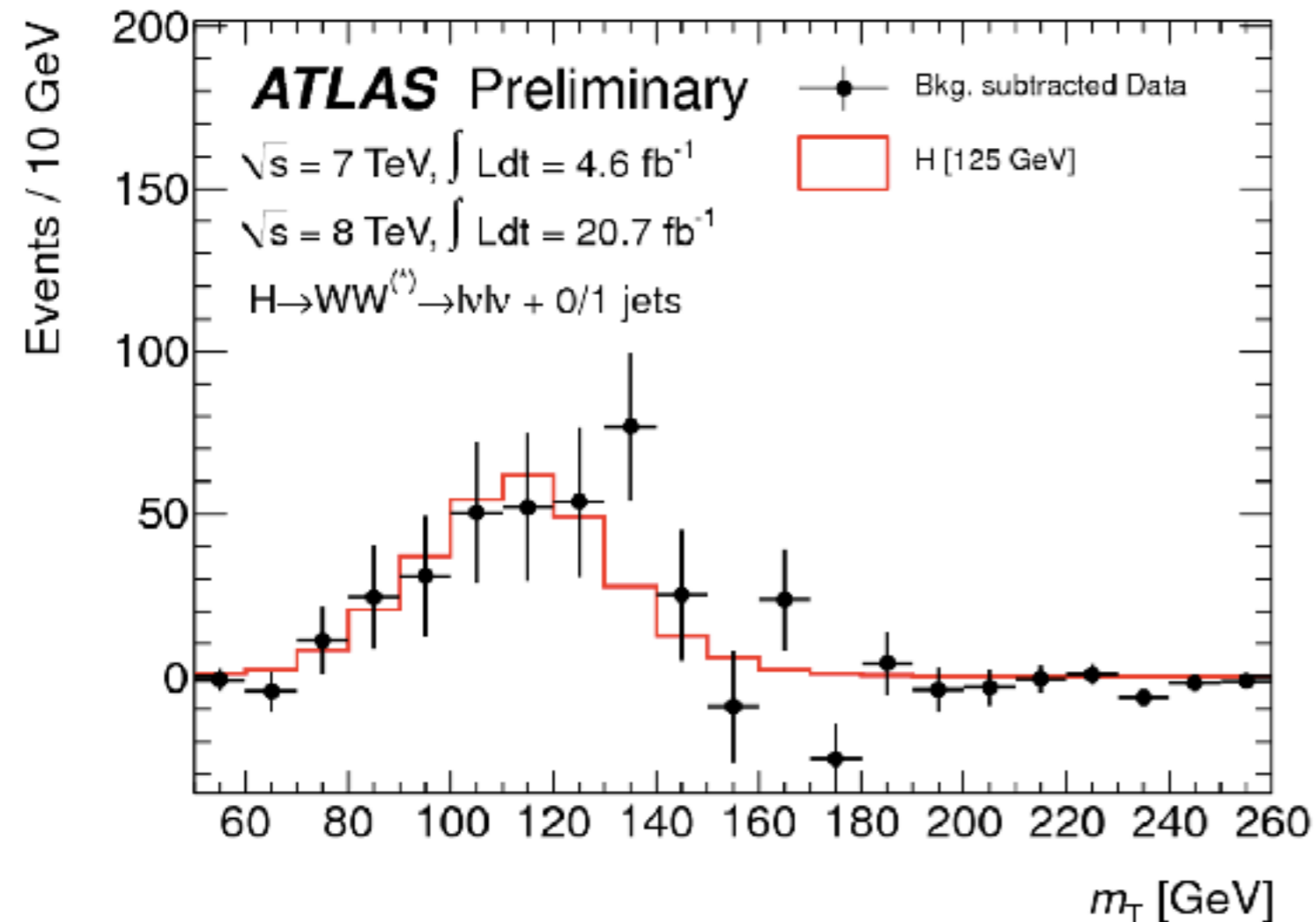
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- The golden mode: $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$



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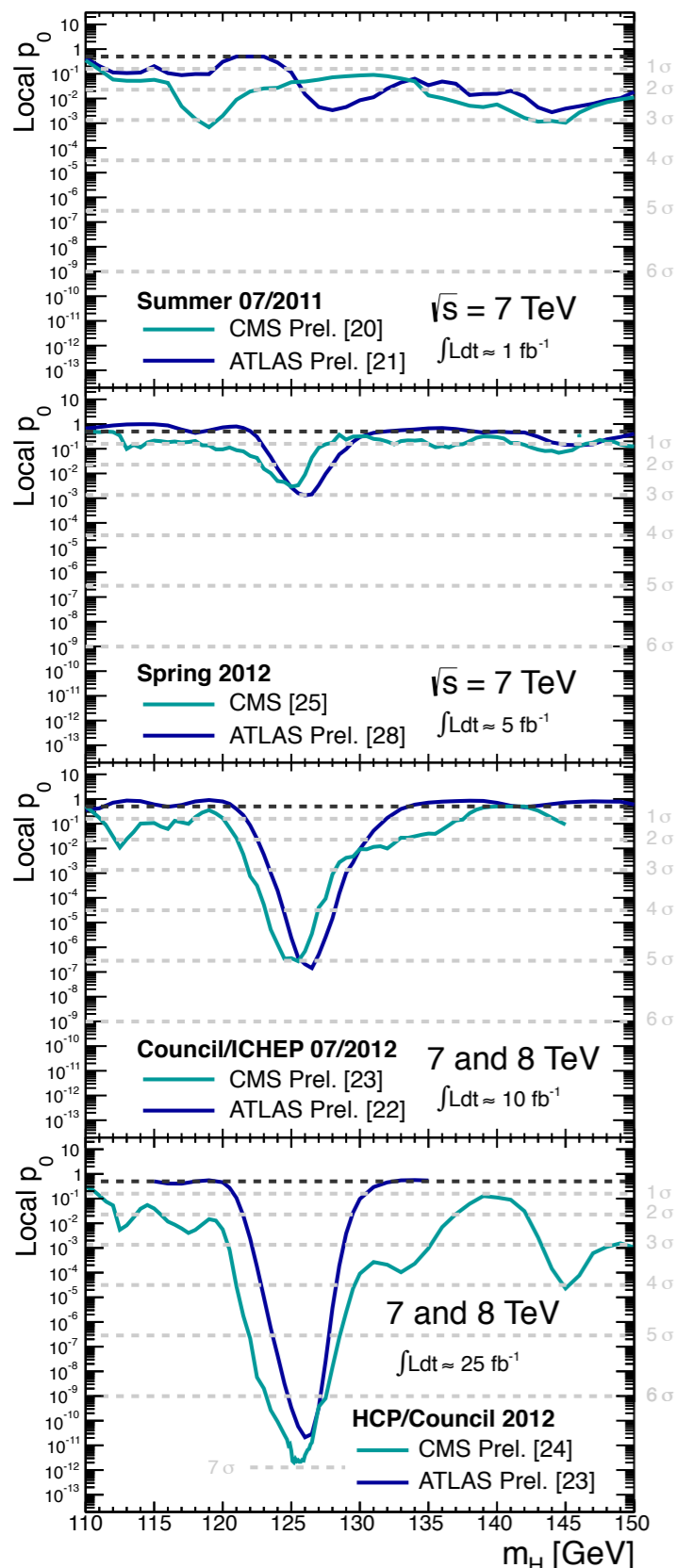
- The abundant: $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$



Significance: 3.8σ

- Limited mass resolution leads to a very broad peak: Background uncertainties accumulate, significance is reduced

The Discovery: Seeing it happen



- Summer 2011: First (and last) focus on limits from LHC
- December 2011: First hints of a signal presented to CERN council
- Summer 2012: Discovery
- December 2012: Well established signal - entering the era of detailed Higgs physics program

July 4, 2012 - The Big Day

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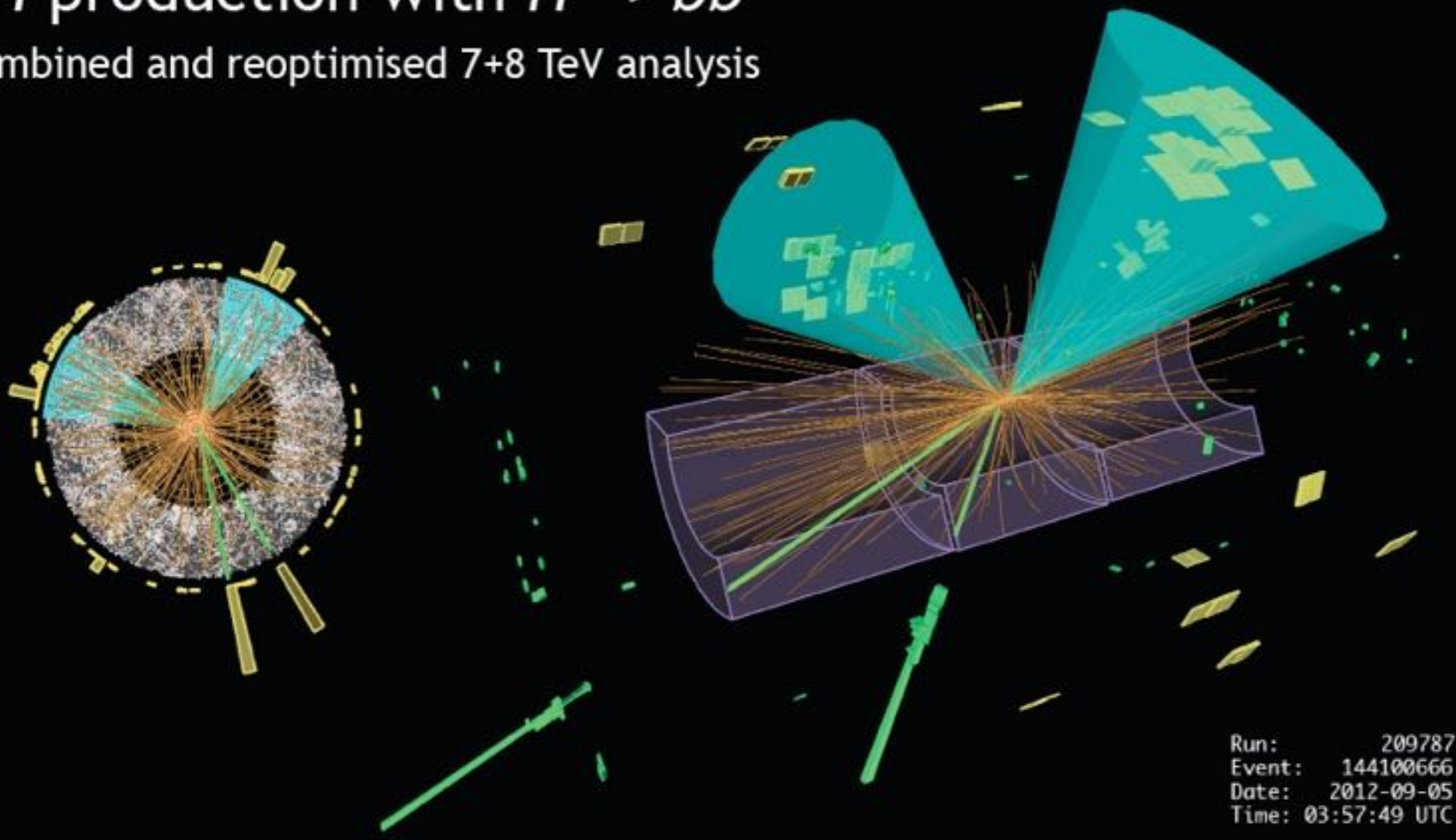


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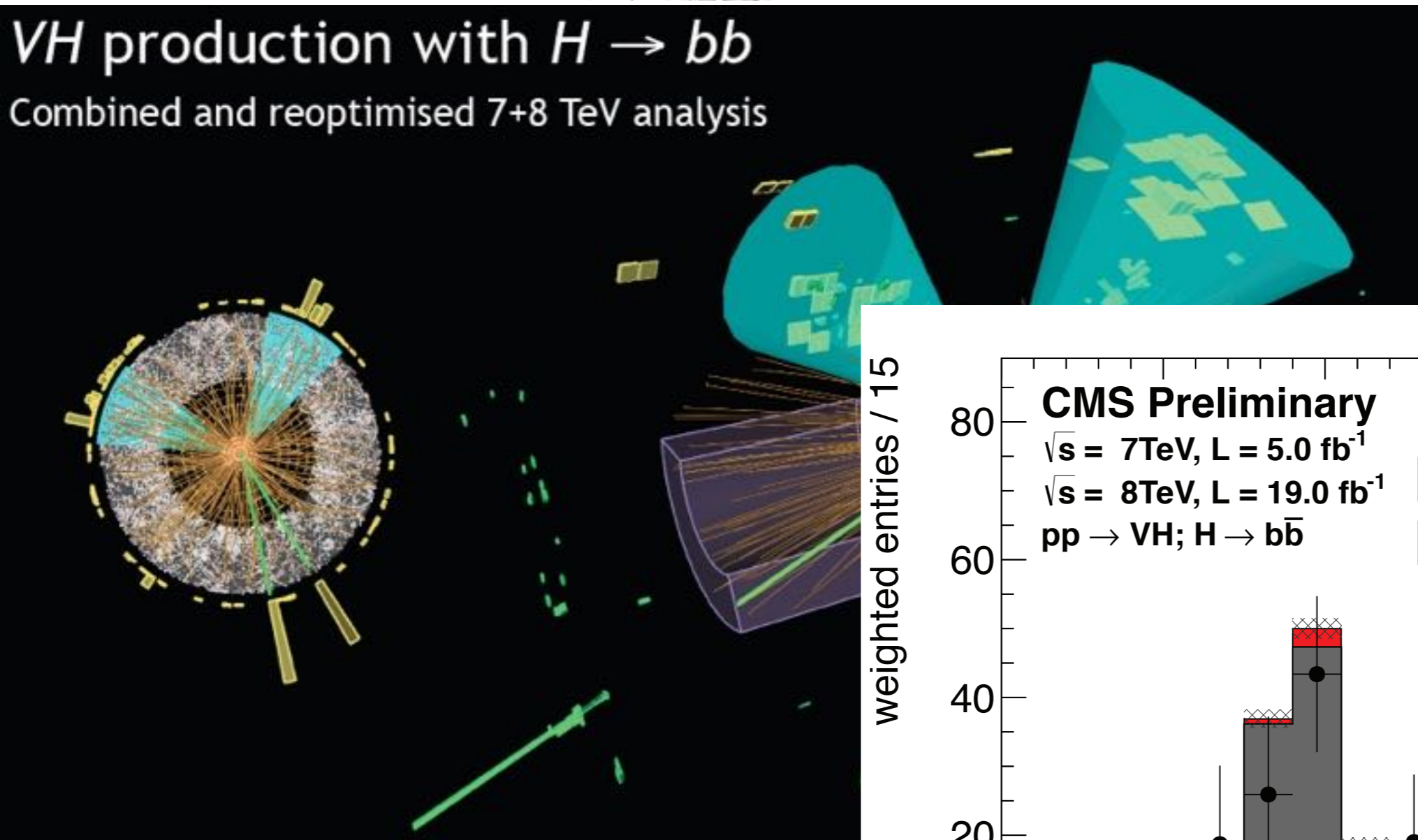


- Enormous hadronic background, high branching fraction - best to reconstruct with additional particle to tag: Higgs production off vector bosons

- $H \rightarrow bb$ BR: 57%
- VH production: ~5% of all H production, only leptonic V decay: 0.7%
- ▶ Combined: **0.2%**
- Limited mass resolution: b-Jet reconstruction

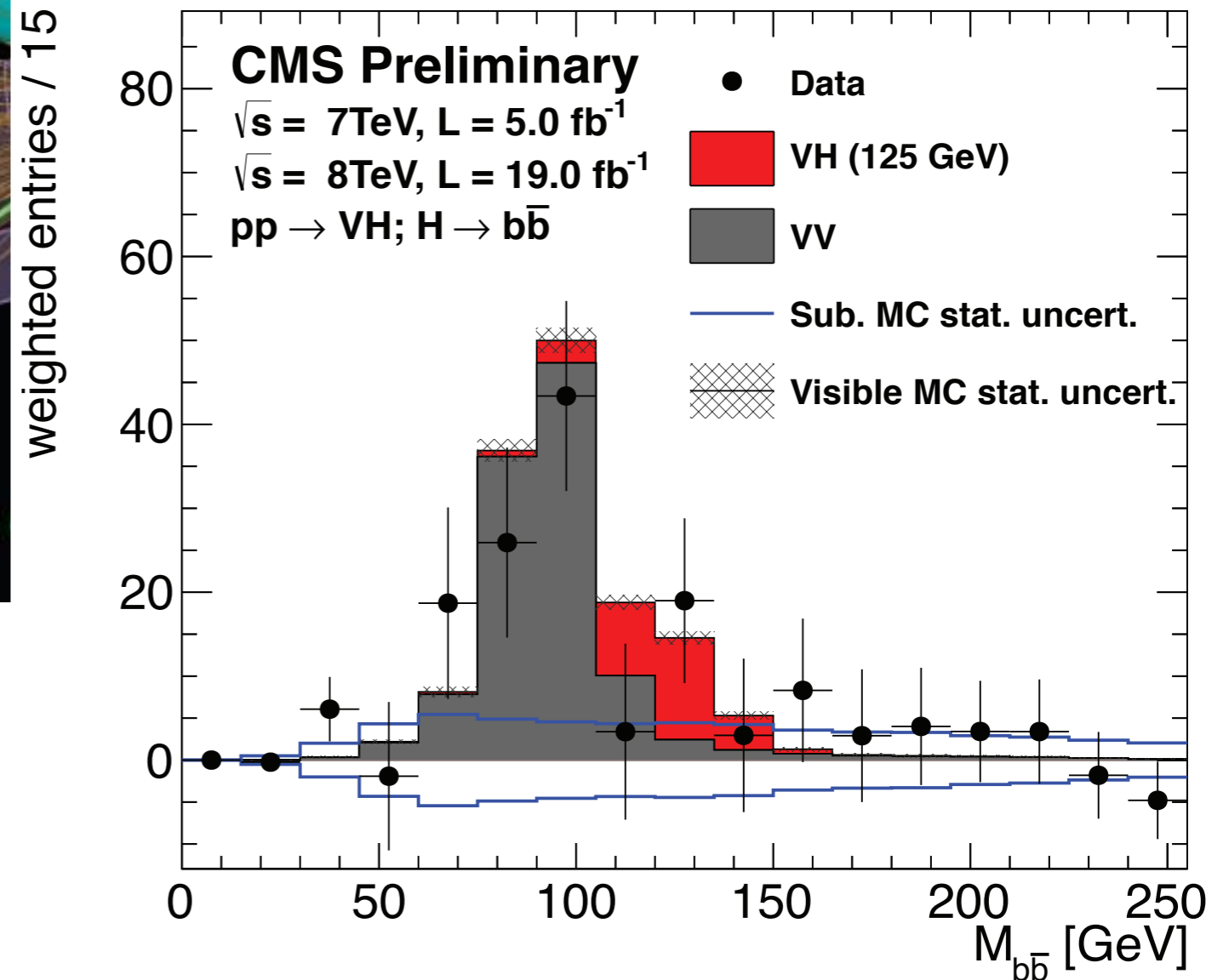
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 (ATLAS + CMS)

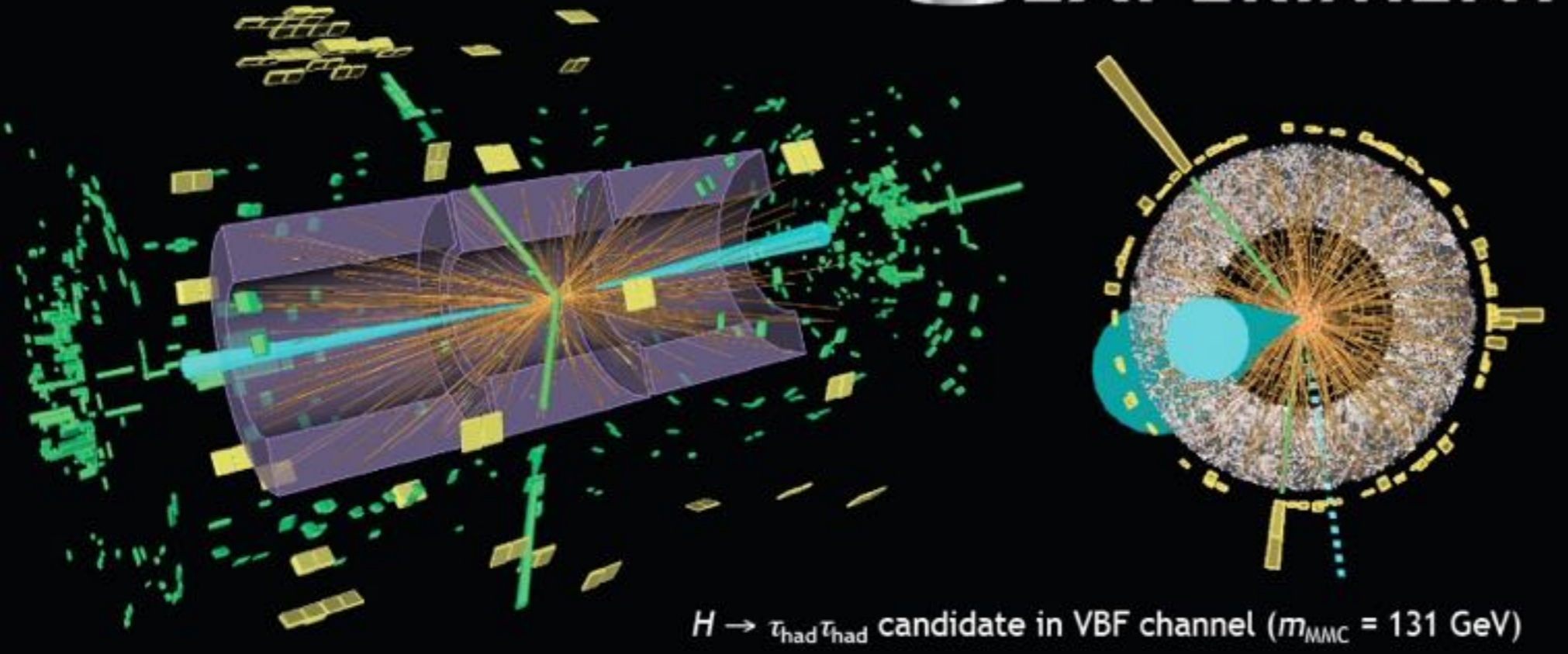


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Reoptimised 7+8 TeV analysis

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- Poor mass resolution: tau decays include at least one neutrinos

• BR: 6.3%

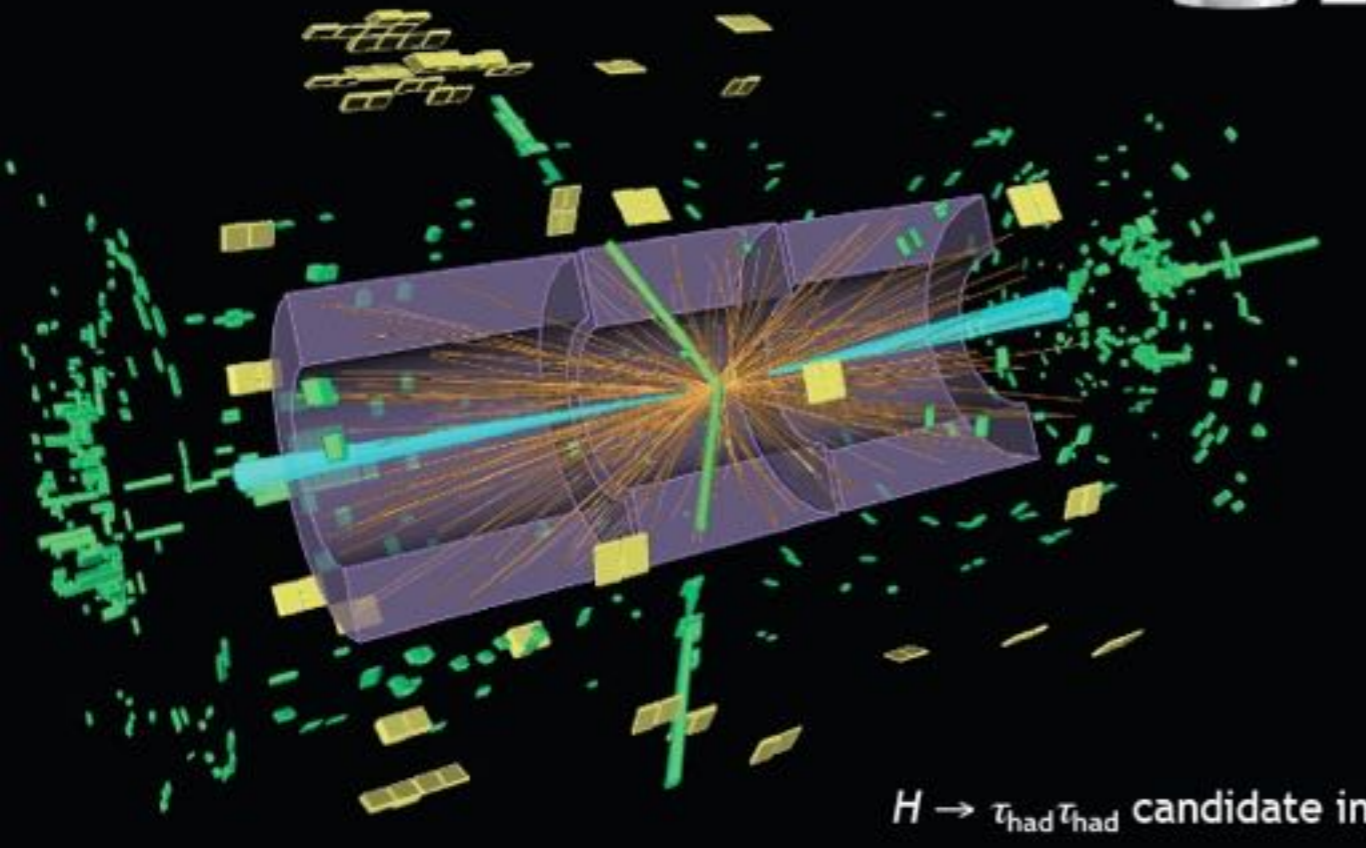
- All decays considered - none are easy to identify:
 - $\tau \rightarrow$
hadron(s) + ν
 - $\tau \rightarrow l + \nu + \nu$

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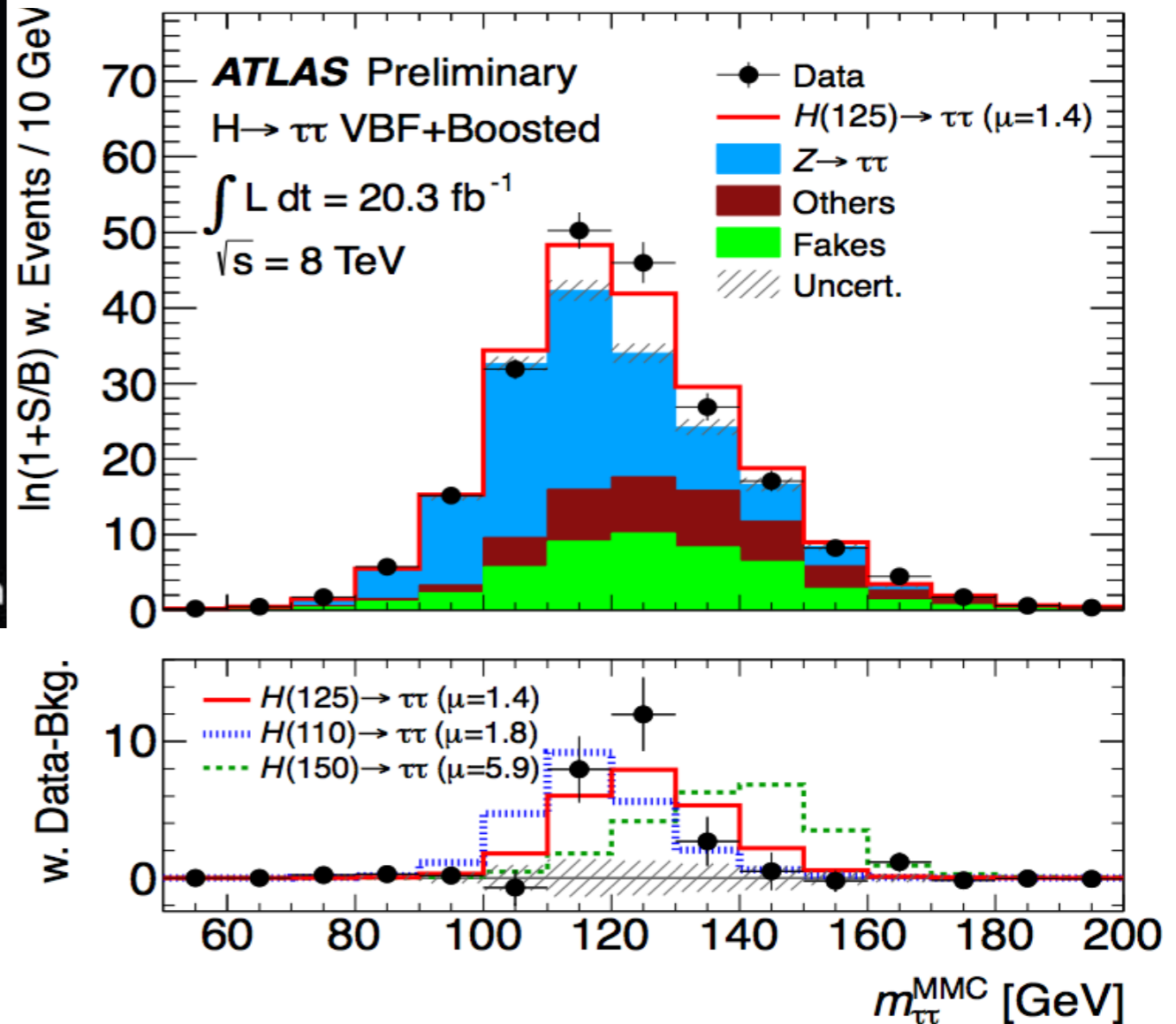
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- Now established: Combined significance 5.5σ

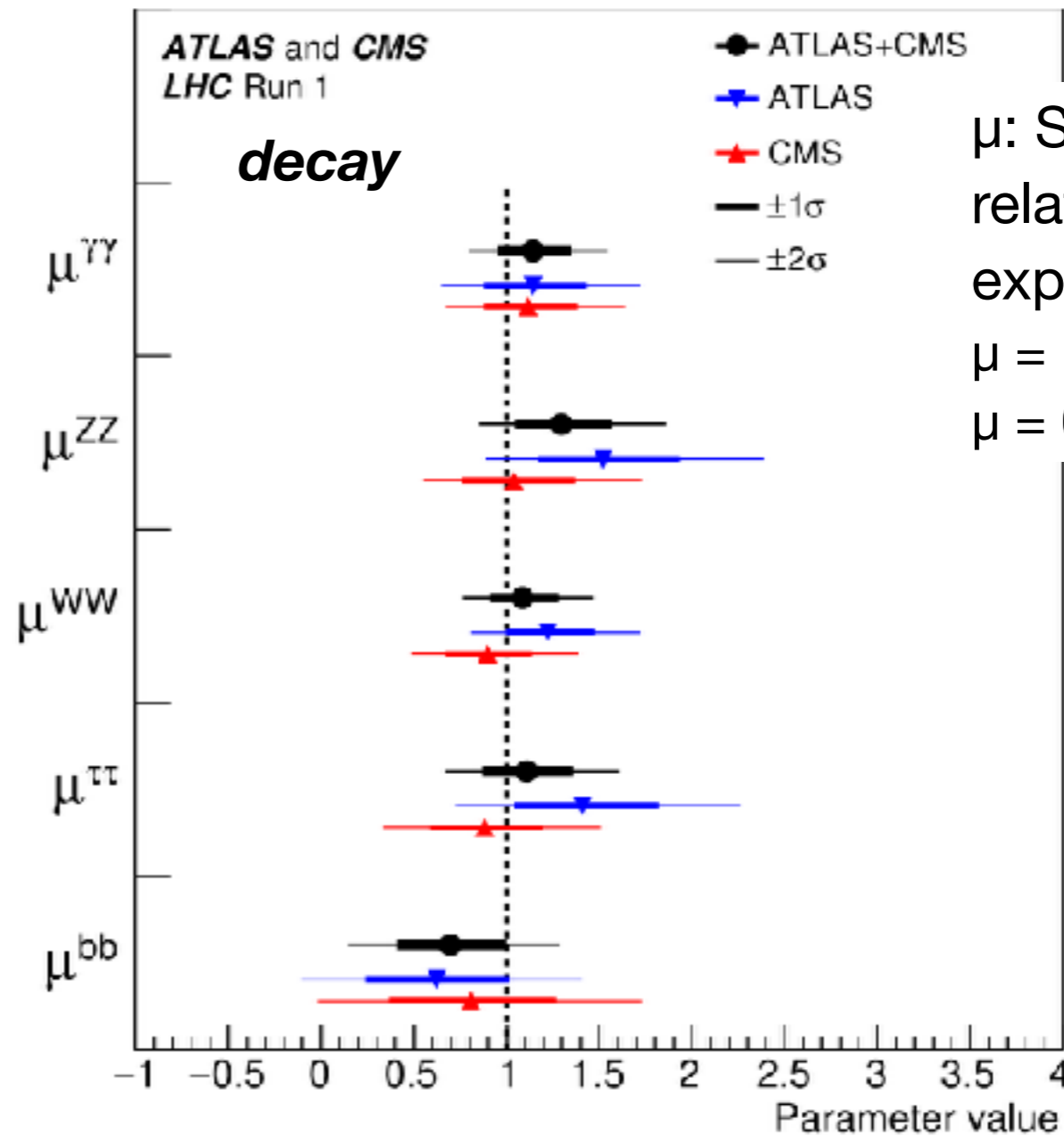
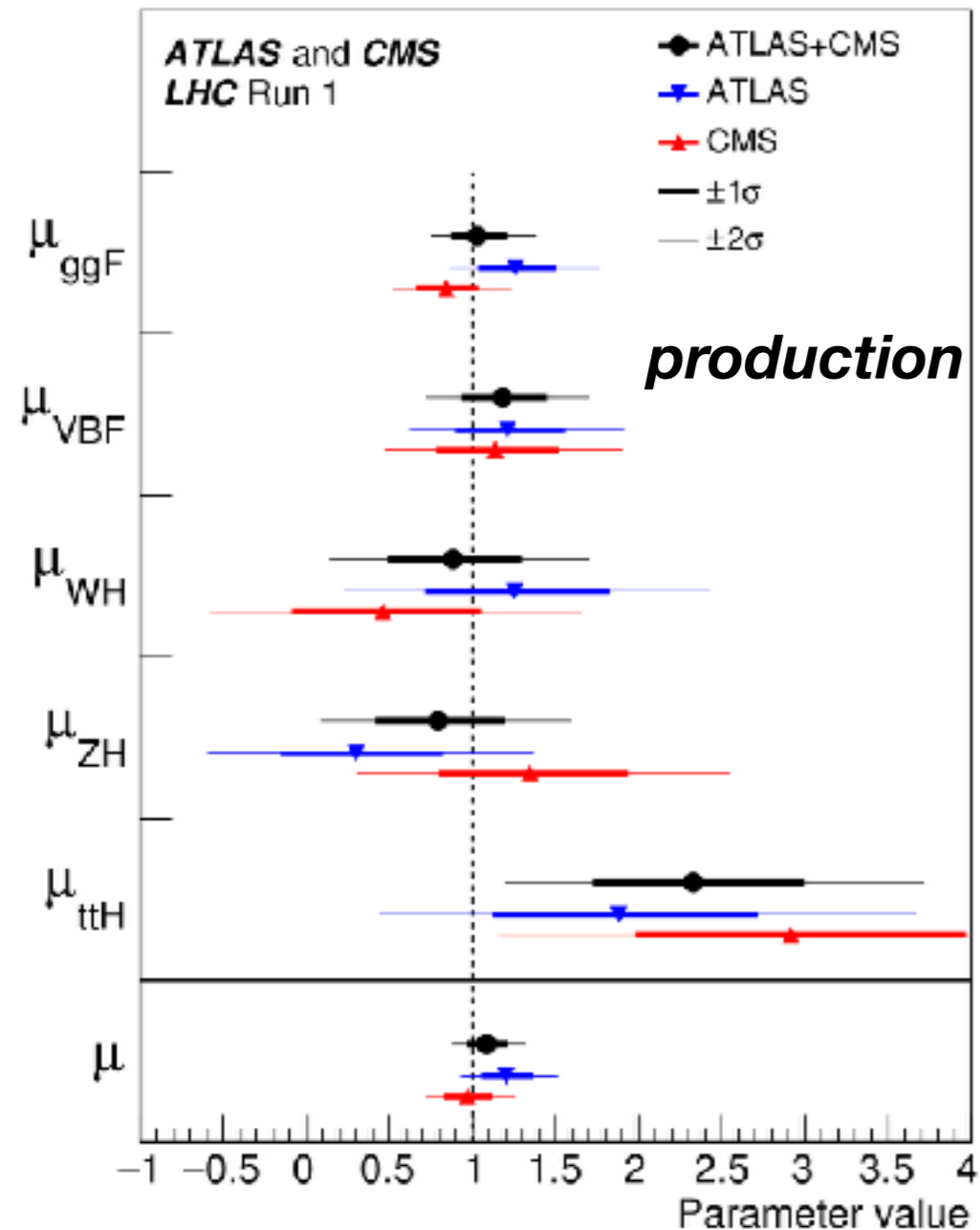


Higgs Properties



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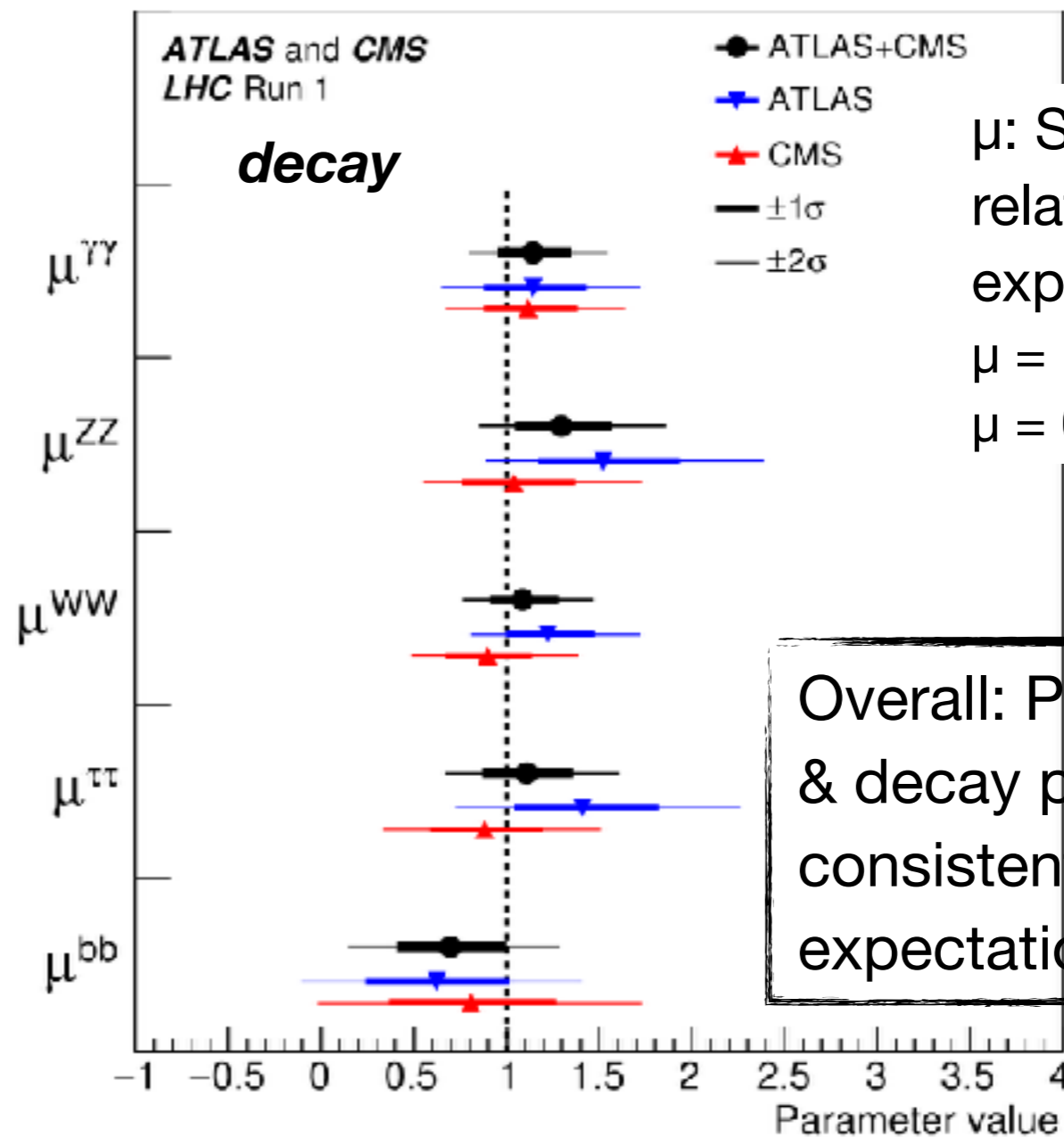
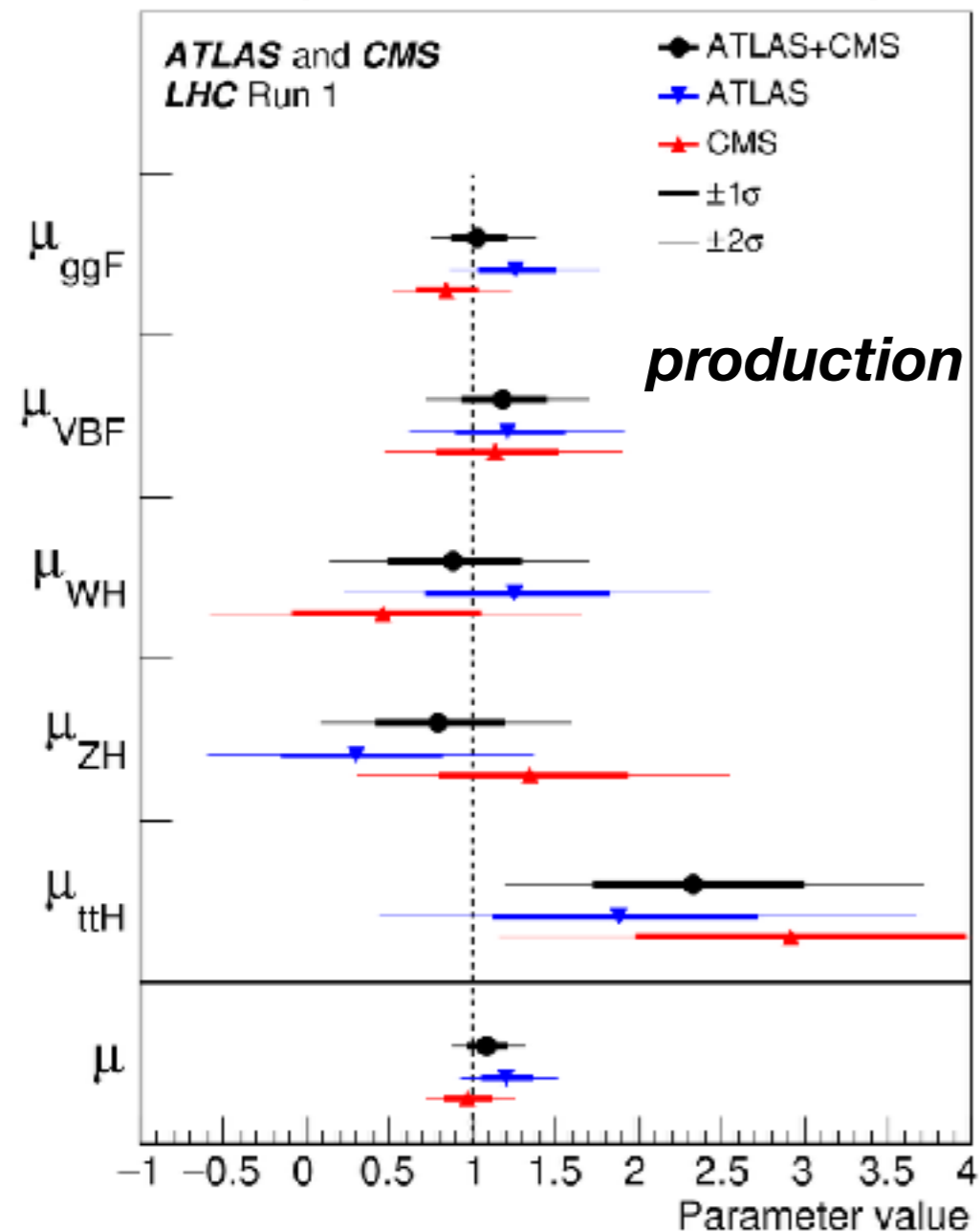
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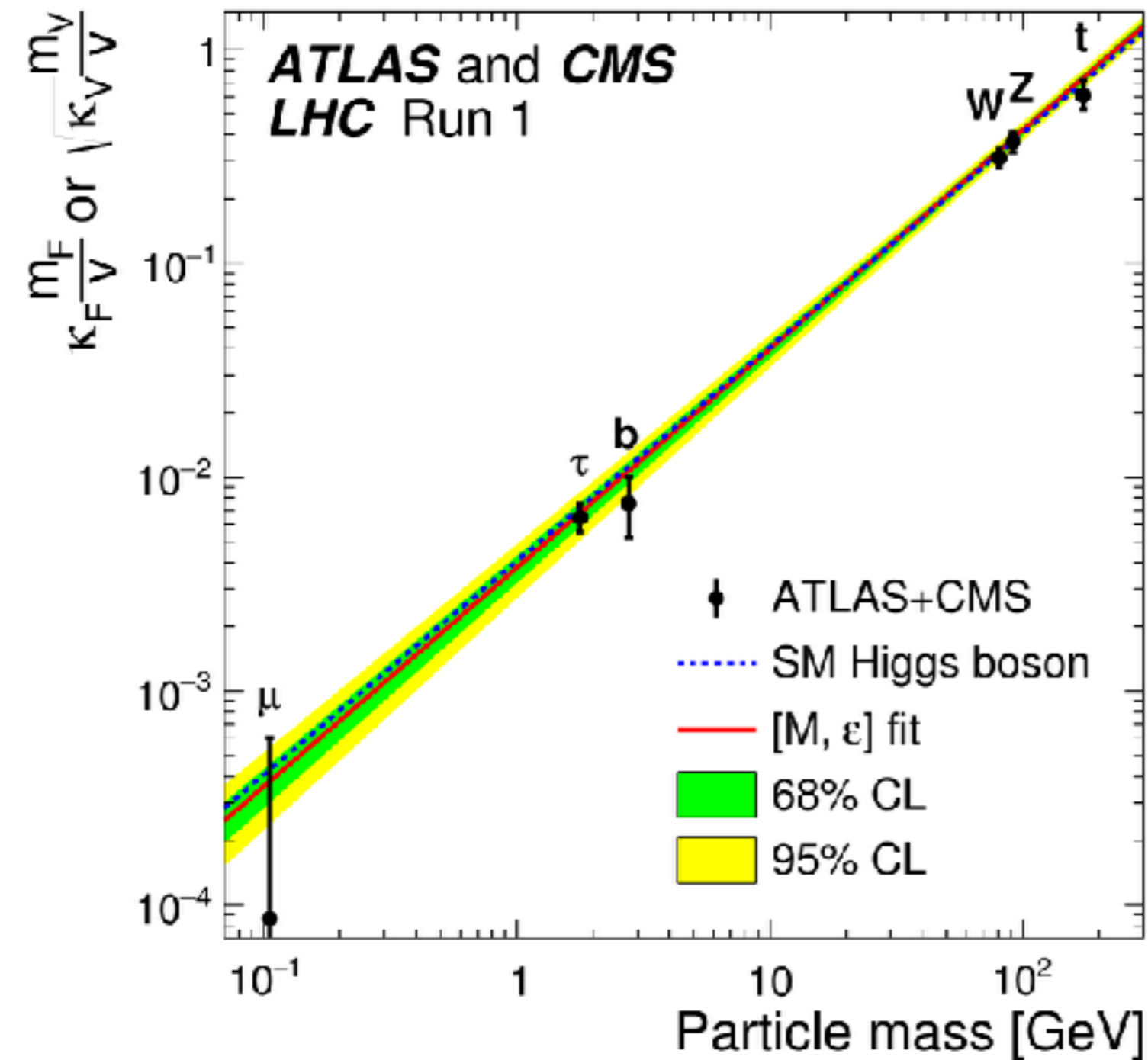


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Overall: Production rate & decay patterns consistent with SM expectations!



Higgs Couplings



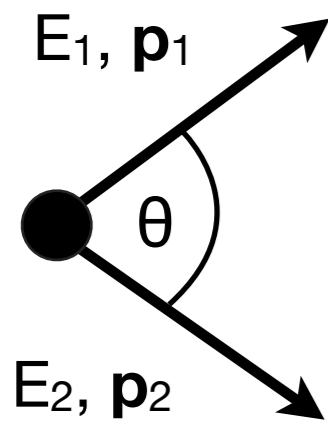
- From the measured signal strengths the couplings of the Higgs to various particles can be determined (with additional uncertainties)
- Clear evidence that couplings scale with particle mass (nothing like this has been observed for any other particle!):

It is a Higgs boson

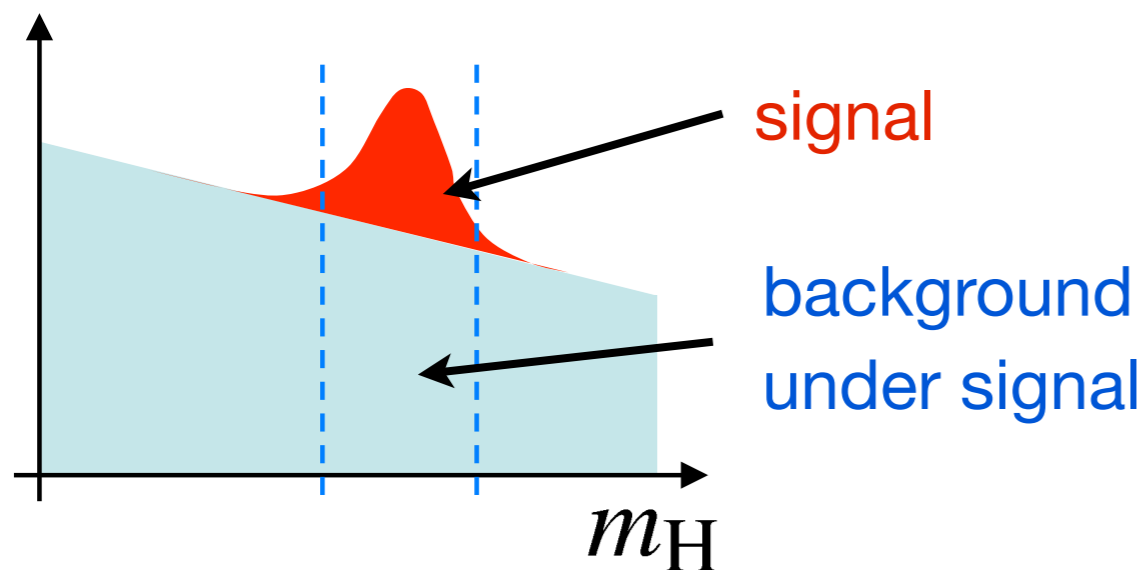
Mass

- The mass is a key parameter:
 - Important parameter in SM and BSM theories
 - Defines the SM expectations for the branching ratios

Determining mass: The invariant mass of observed decay products



$$\begin{aligned} m_{inv}^2 &= (E_1 + E_2)^2 - (\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2)^2 \\ &= m_1^2 + m_2^2 + 2E_1 E_2 (1 - \beta_1 \beta_2 \cos\theta) \end{aligned}$$

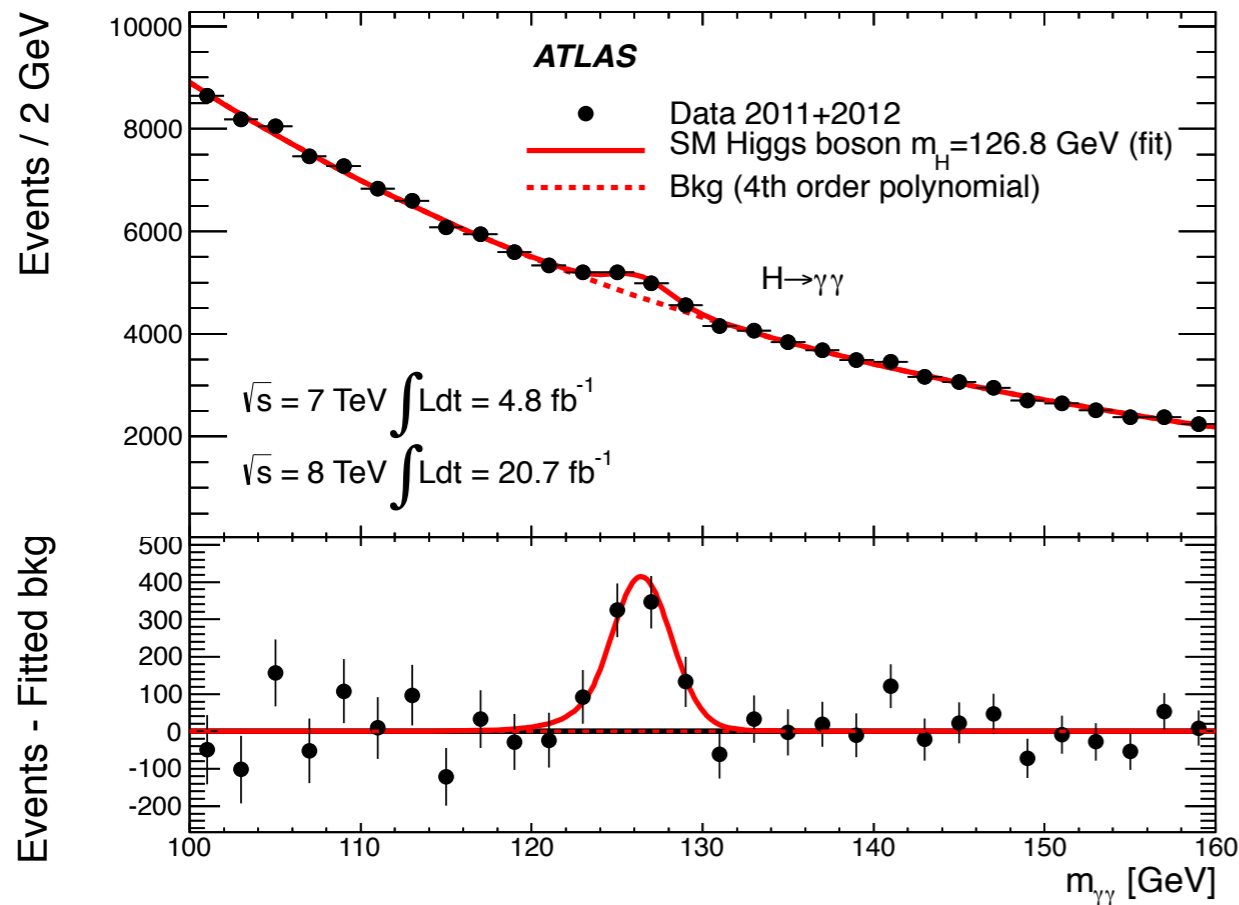


$$\text{Significance: } \propto \frac{S}{\sqrt{B}} \quad \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma(M)}}$$

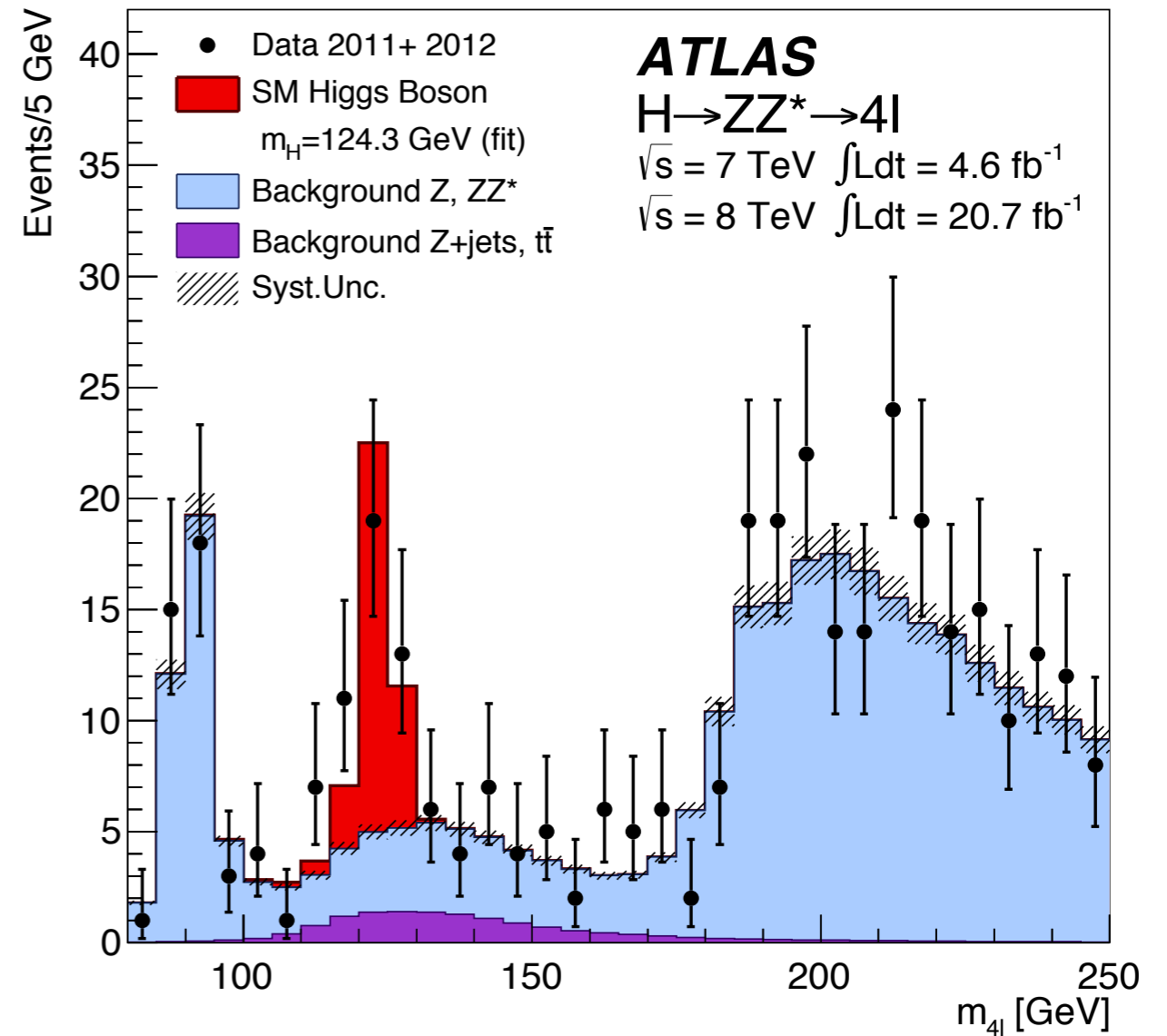
- Choose channels with good mass resolution -> Good energy and angular resolution for decay daughters

Mass: Measured in two Channels

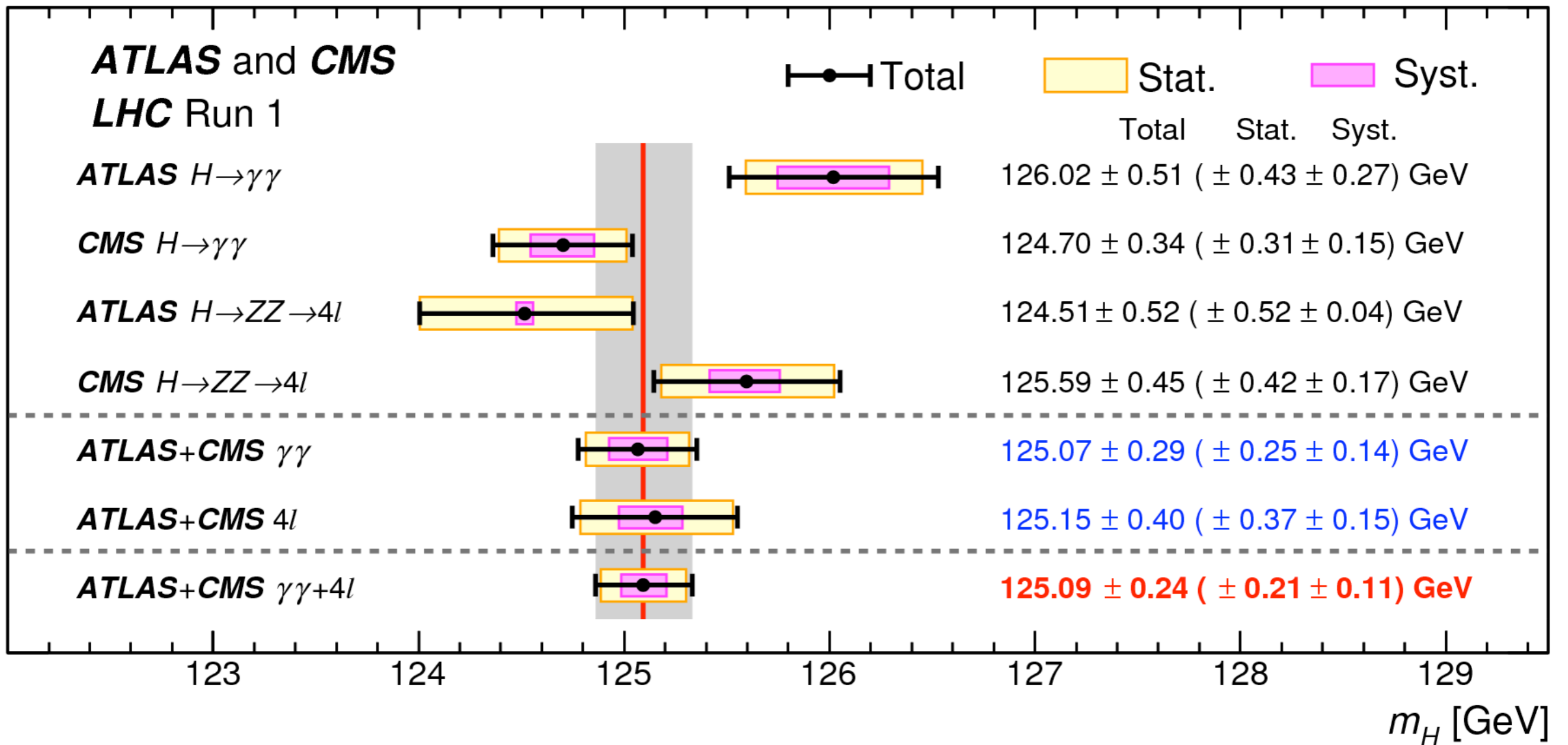
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Mass



In both experiments slightly different mass results for the two channels - but in opposite directions

The Spin of the New Boson

- We expect a scalar particle: Spin 0
- Naive first look - From observed decays (neglects possible angular momentum in final state - e.g. p-wave vs s-wave)

Decays	Observed?	Spin 0	Spin 1	Spin 2
H \rightarrow $\gamma\gamma$	yes	yes	no	yes
H \rightarrow ZZ	yes	yes	yes	yes
H \rightarrow bb	not quite	yes	yes	(yes)
H \rightarrow $\pi\pi$	yes	yes	yes	no
still allowed ?		yes	not really	no

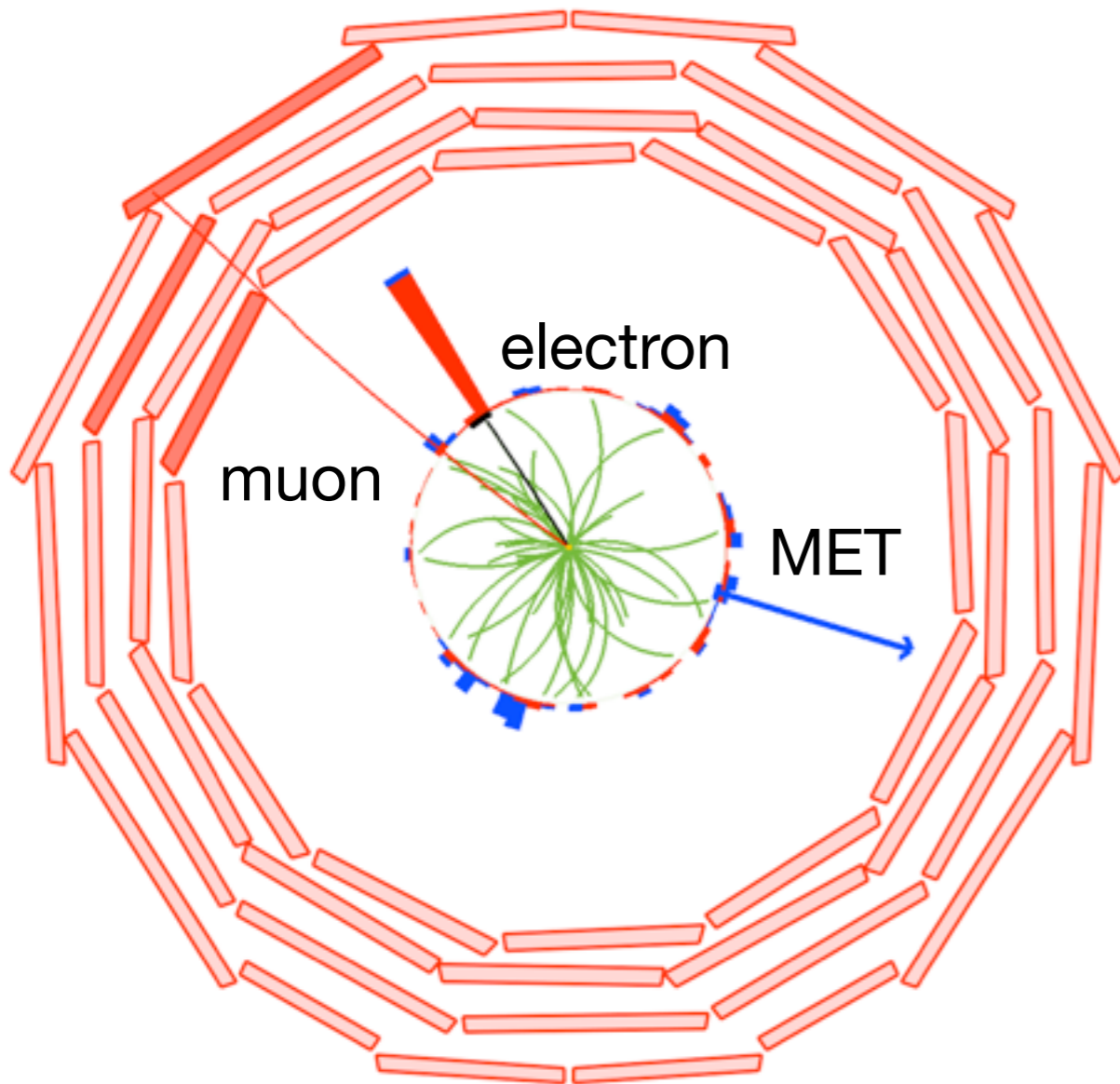
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- Naive first look - From observed decays (neglects possible angular momentum in final state - e.g. p-wave vs s-wave)

Decays	Observed?	Spin 0	Spin 1	Spin 2
H \rightarrow $\gamma\gamma$	yes	yes	no	yes
H \rightarrow ZZ	yes	yes	yes	yes
H \rightarrow bb	not quite	yes	yes	(yes)
H \rightarrow $\pi\pi$	yes	yes	yes	no
still allowed ?		yes	not really	no

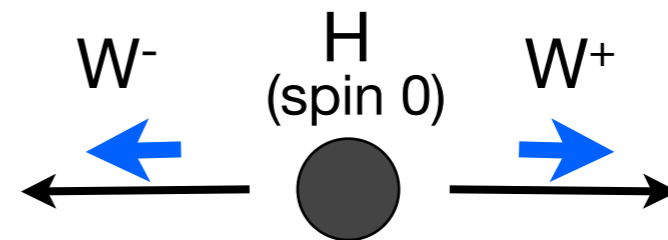
The question of spin is basically settled - not with decay mode observations alone, since there can be additional angular momentum in the two-particle final states...

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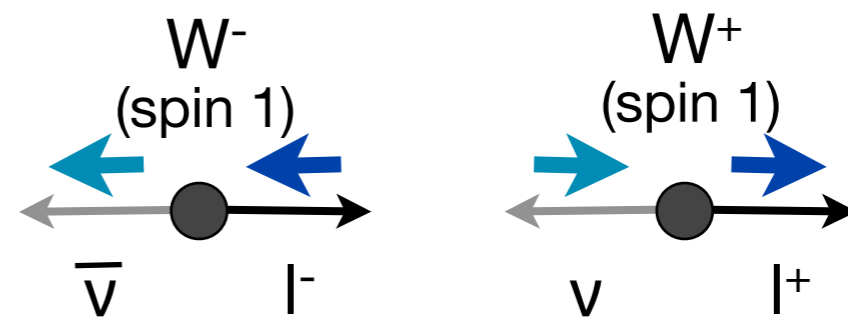


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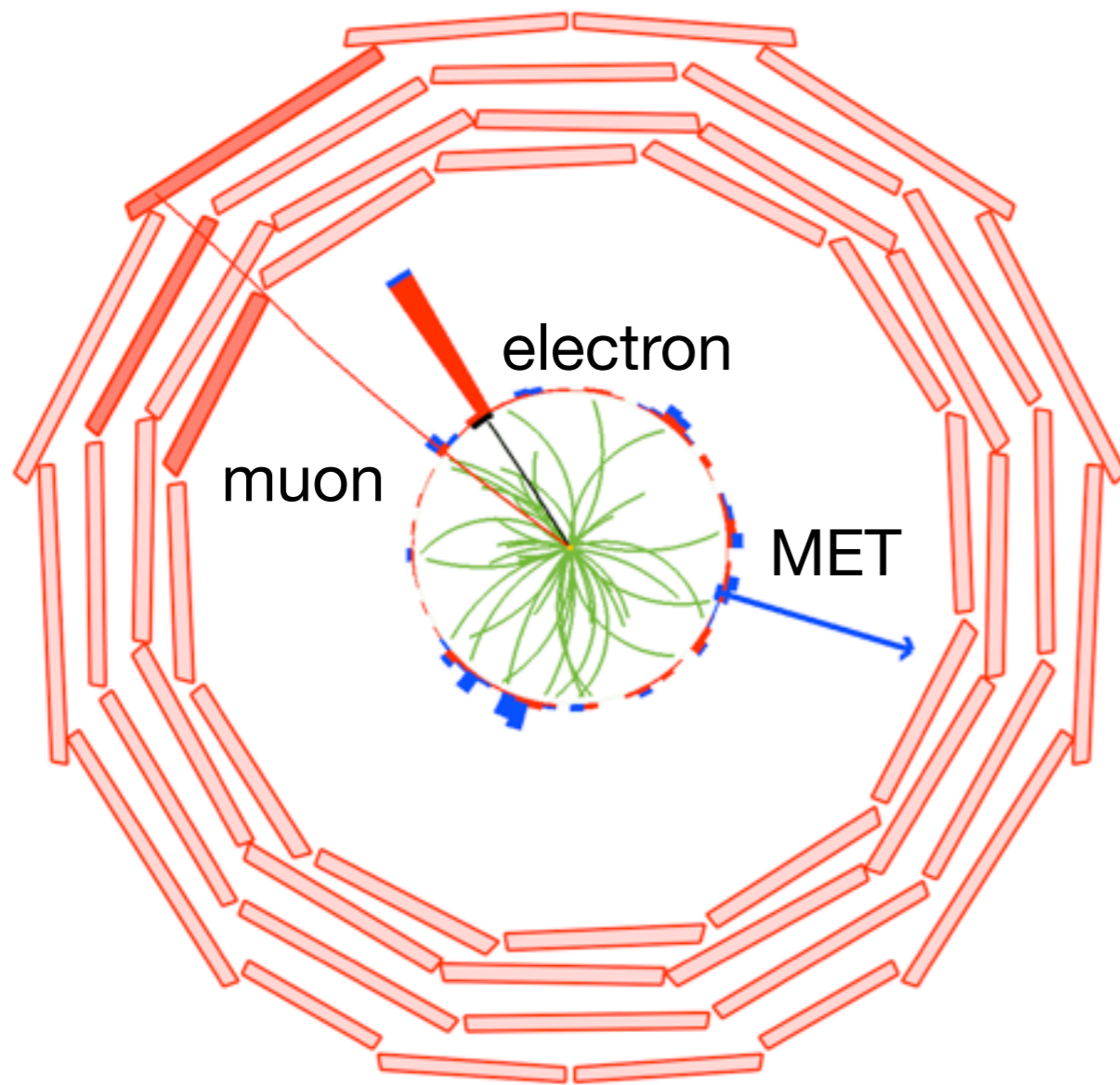


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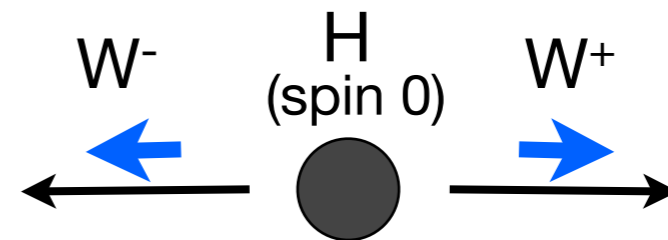
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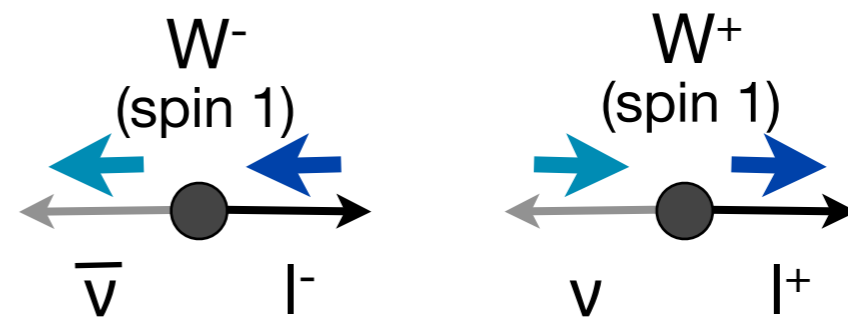


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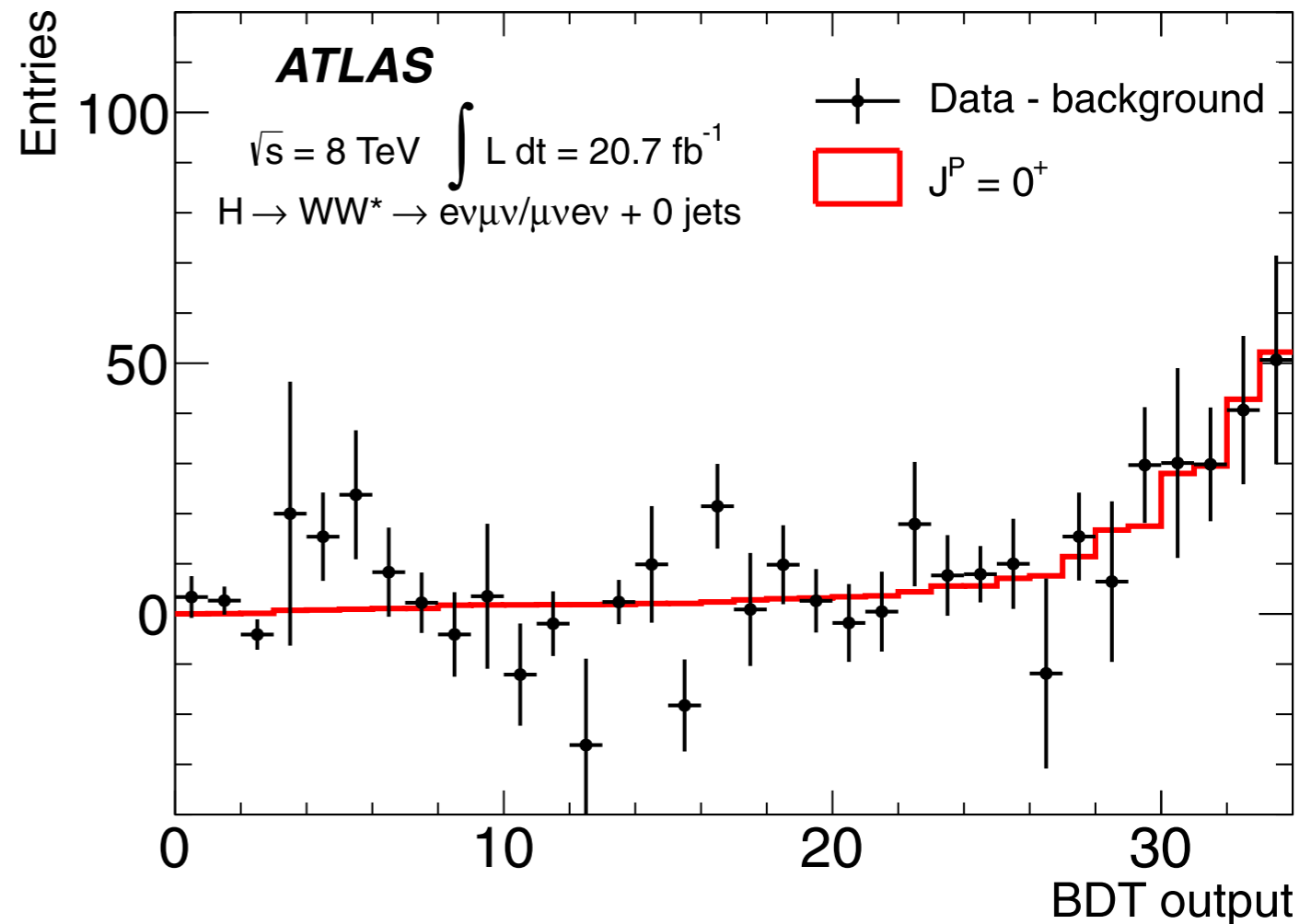
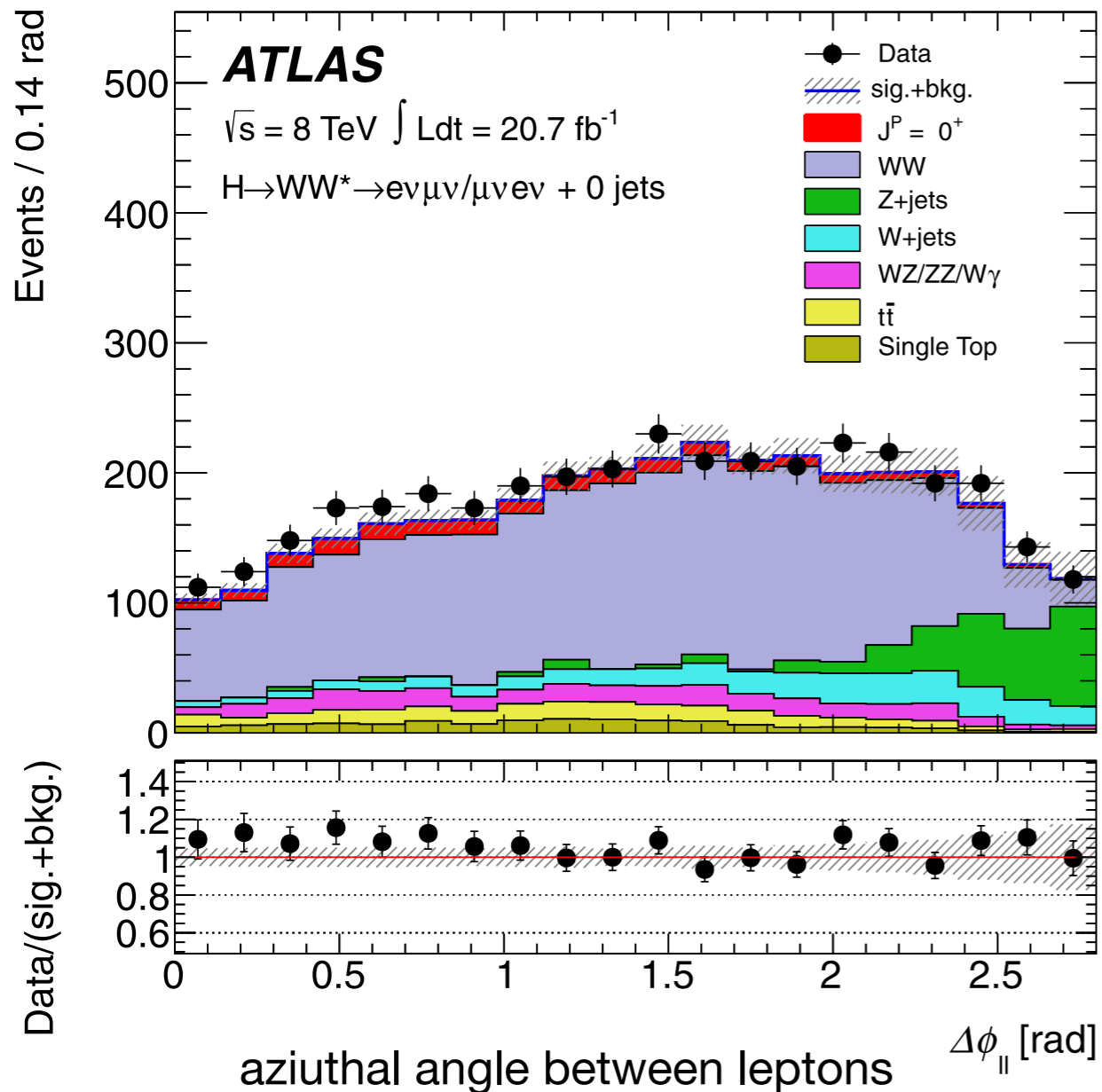
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A word of caution: The requirements for large MET and also small opening angle between the leptons in the analysis disfavors event selection for spin $\neq 0$

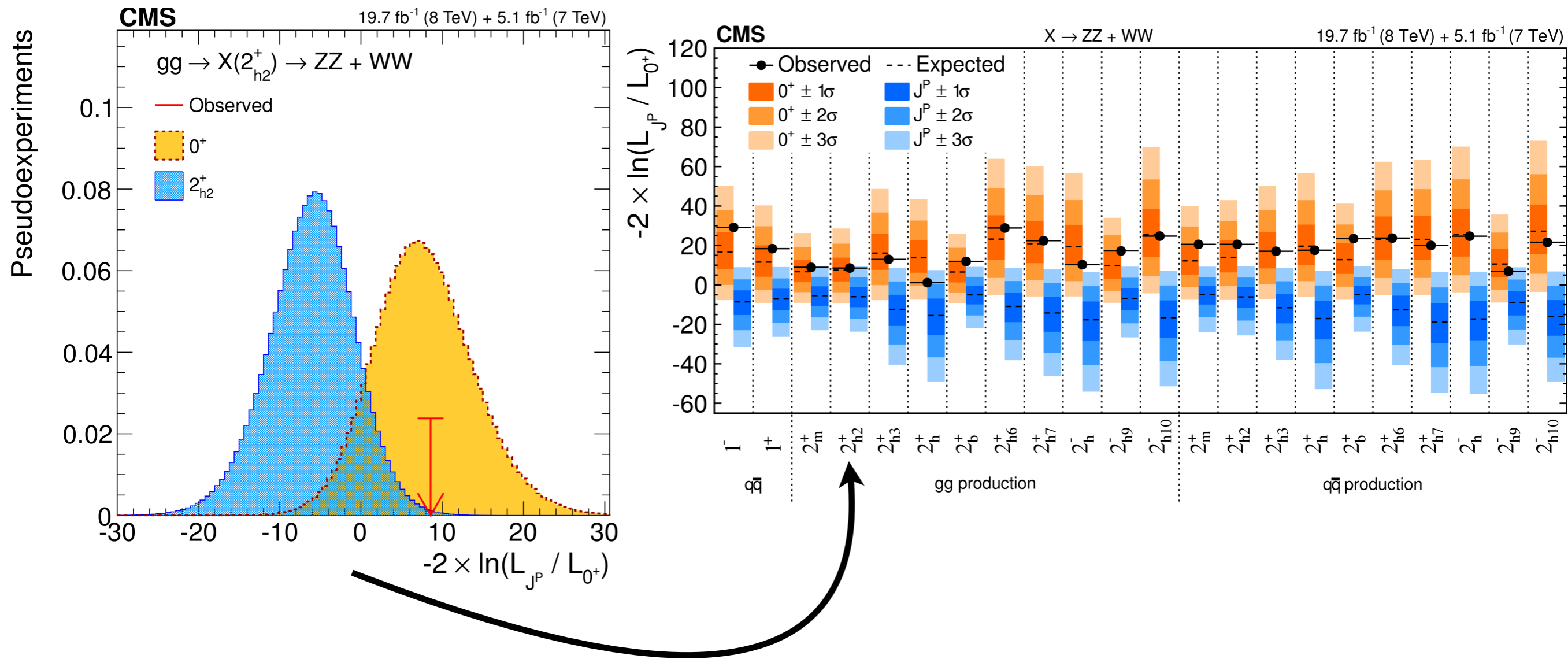
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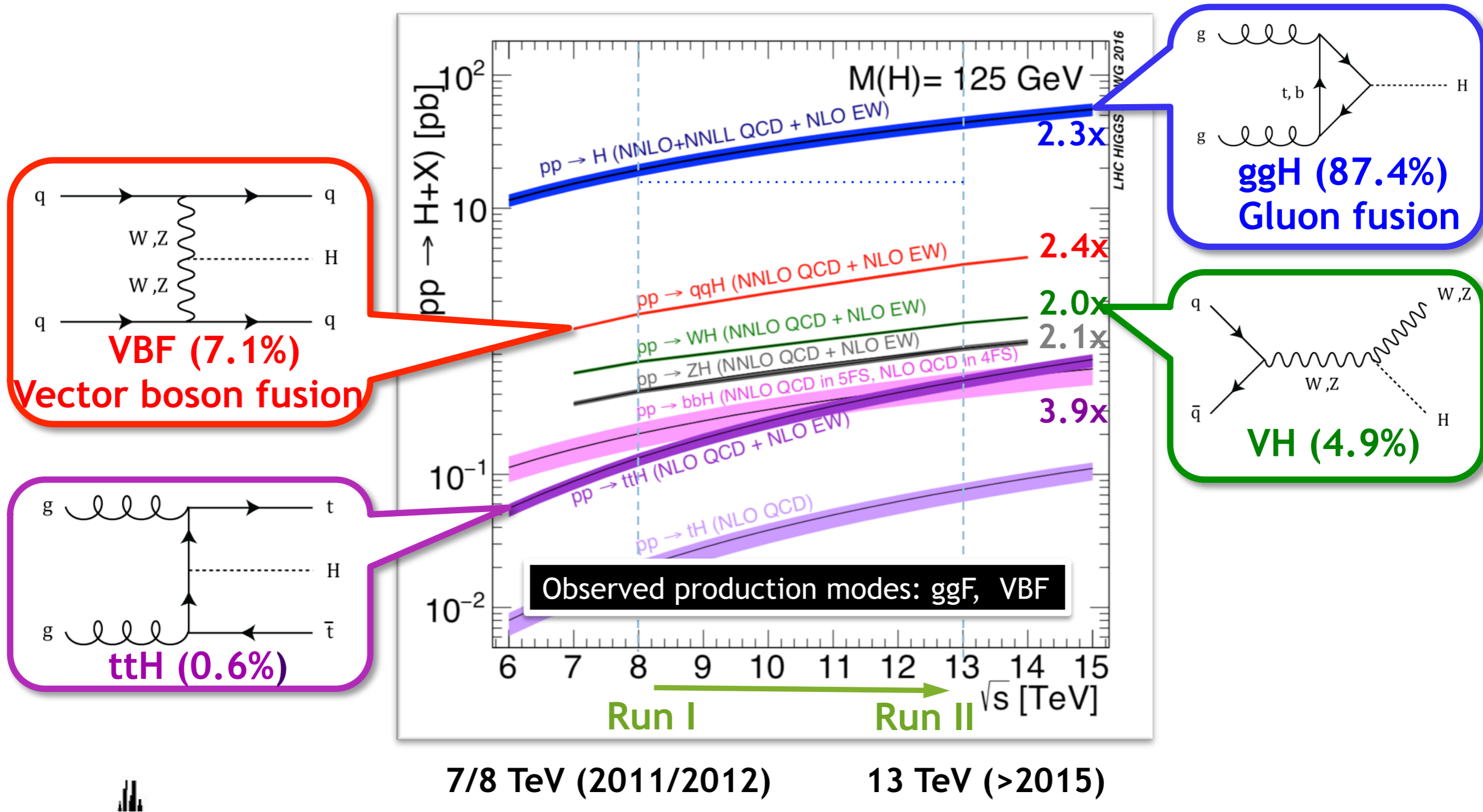
- Not an easy measurement: High background levels
 - 0^+ favored by data, but other hypotheses typically still allowed at the 5 - 10% probability level

The Spin and Parity of the New Boson



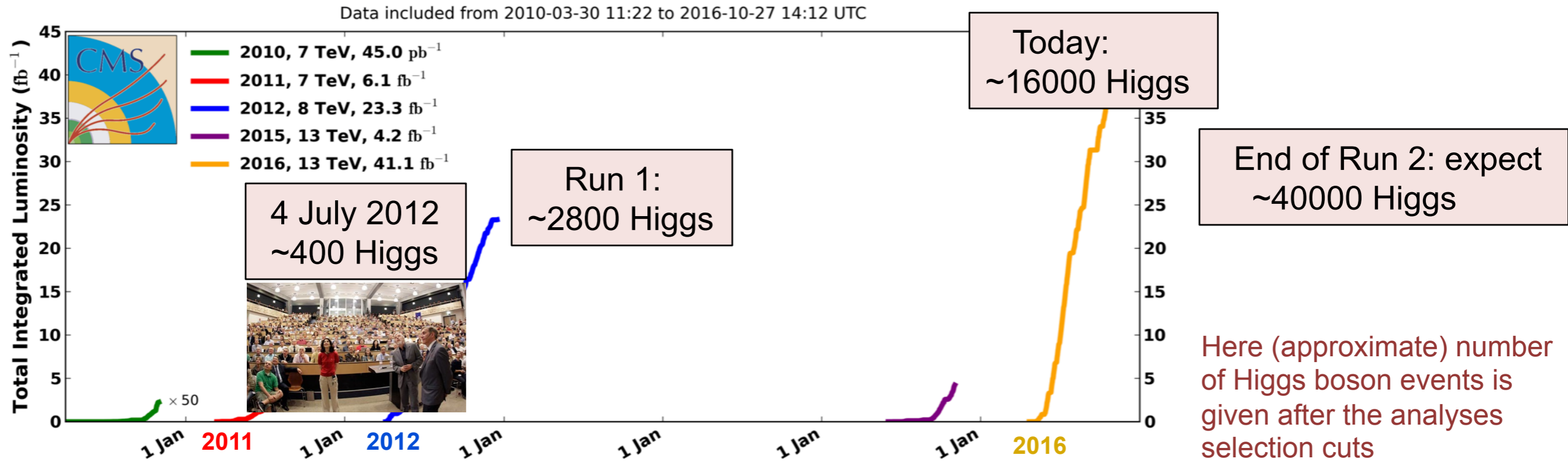
- CMS summary - alternative hypotheses tested compared to 0^+
- 0^+ strongly favored in every case - alternatives typically rejected at $> 99\%$ CL
 - only leaves room for small admixtures of other states for composite Higgs models

Results Coming Up: Higgs @ 13 TeV



... already x 2 more data than run 1, and higher cross section: many more Higgses!

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Summary - The Scientific Breakthrough of 2012

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Breakthrough of the Year, 2012

Every year, crowning one scientific achievement as Breakthrough of the Year is no easy task, and 2012 was no exception. The year saw leaps and bounds in physics, along with significant advances in genetics, engineering, and many other areas. In keeping with tradition, *Science's* editors and staff have selected a winner and nine runners-up, as well as highlighting the year's top news stories and areas to watch in 2013.

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The Discovery of the Higgs Boson

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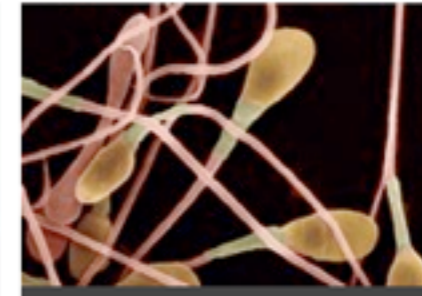
Exotic particles made headlines again and again in 2012, making it no surprise that the breakthrough of the year is a big physics finding: confirmation of the existence of the Higgs boson. Hypothesized more than 40 years ago, the elusive particle completes the standard model of physics, and is arguably the key to the explanation of how other fundamental particles obtain mass. The only mystery that remains is whether its discovery marks a new dawn for particle physics or the final stretch of a field that has run its course.

[Read more about the Higgs boson from the research teams at CERN.](#)

This year's runners-up for Breakthrough of the Year underscore feats in engineering, genetics, and other fields that promise to change the course of science.



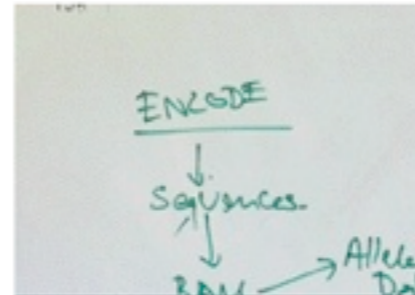
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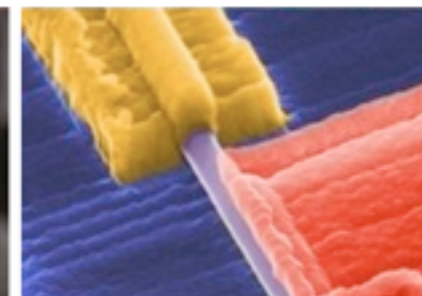
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Higgs-Boson

Teilchenphysikern gelingt Entdeckung des Jahres

Von Holger Dambeck



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So viel Aufregung um ein Partikel war selten: In diesem Jahr haben Forscher endlich das lange gesuchte Higgs-Boson aufgespürt. Die Entdeckung war mühsam und teuer - aber sie hat die Teilchenphysik ein großes Stück vorangebracht. Die Forscher planen bereits das nächste Milliardenexperiment.

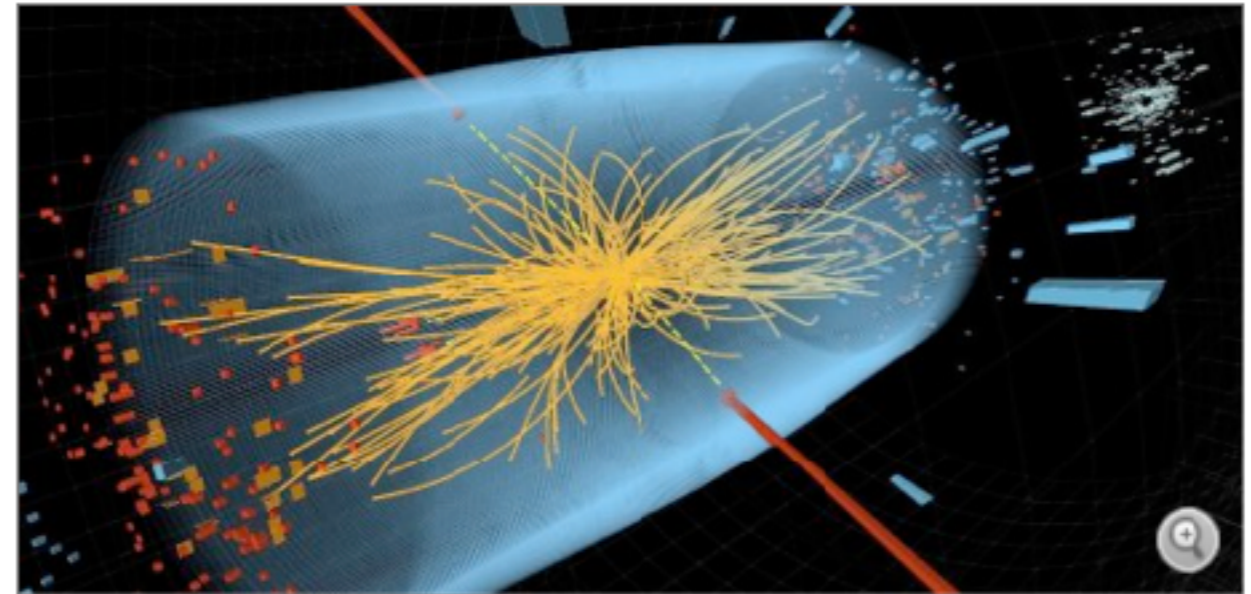
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Berlin - Die Protonen machen Winterpause am Kernforschungszentrum in Genf. Ende Dezember steht der weitgrößte Teilchenbeschleuniger LHC still. Wo in den vergangenen Jahren fast ununterbrochen Milliarden Protonen nahezu mit Lichtgeschwindigkeit aufeinander prallten, legen nun Mechaniker Hand an. Die größte Experimentiermaschine der Welt wird gewartet.

2012 war ohne Zweifel das erfolgreichste Jahr für die Teilchenphysiker am Cern. Sie haben gefunden, wonach sie schon lange suchen: das ominöse Teilchen, das sie Higgs-Boson nennen. Es gilt als Beweis für die Existenz des sogenannten Higgs-Felds, das Materie Masse verleiht. Das Wissenschaftsmagazin "Science" hat den Fund des neuen Partikels zum wissenschaftlichen Durchbruch des Jahres gekürt.

Wissenschaft 2012

Das Jahr des Gottesteilchens



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Partikel-Kollision (Grafik): Die Suche nach dem Higgs-Boson war 2012 erfolgreich

Das Higgs-Boson ist entdeckt, der Rover "Curiosity" auf dem Mars gelandet, Bluttests erlauben Einblicke ins Erbgut von Embryos: Forscher haben 2012 beeindruckende Erfolge gefeiert. Allerdings gab es auch bedrohliche Entwicklungen - insbesondere aus Sicht von Erdbeben- und Klimaforschern.

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Selten herrschte in der Forschergemeinde eine so große Einigkeit über den Durchbruch des Jahres: Der Nachweis des Higgs-Bosons, landläufig auch Gottesteilchen genannt, überstrahlte 2012 alle anderen wissenschaftlichen Erfolge - zumindest in der Öffentlichkeit.

Spiegel Online

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Next Lecture: Physics beyond the SM, S. Bethke, 23.01.2017



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