

THE H TO TAUTAU CHANNEL AT ATLAS

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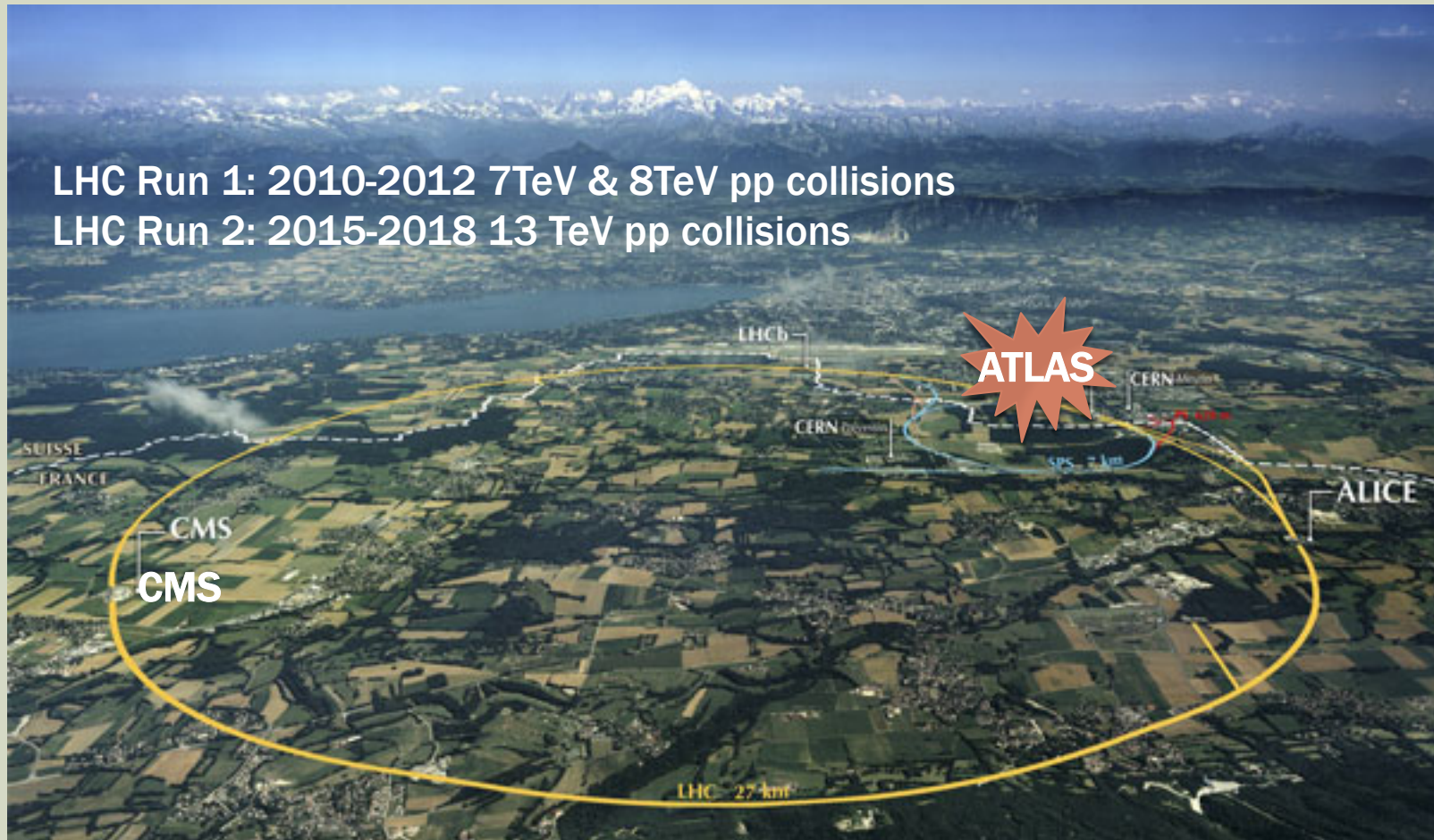
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OUTLINE

- Higgs boson searches at the LHC
- The $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ search at ATLAS in Run 1
- Brief comparison with CMS
- Latest Run 1 Higgs combination
- Prospects for Run 2 and beyond

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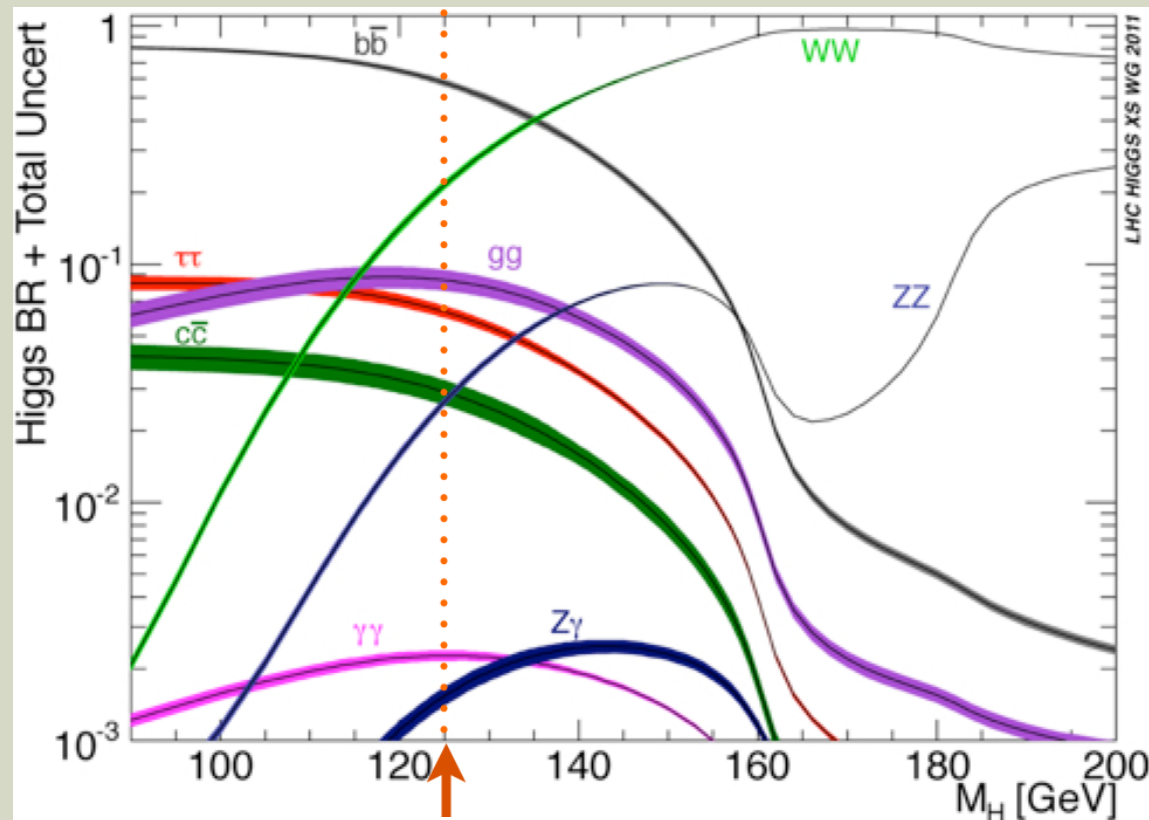
LHC Run 1: 2010-2012 7TeV & 8TeV pp collisions
LHC Run 2: 2015-2018 13 TeV pp collisions



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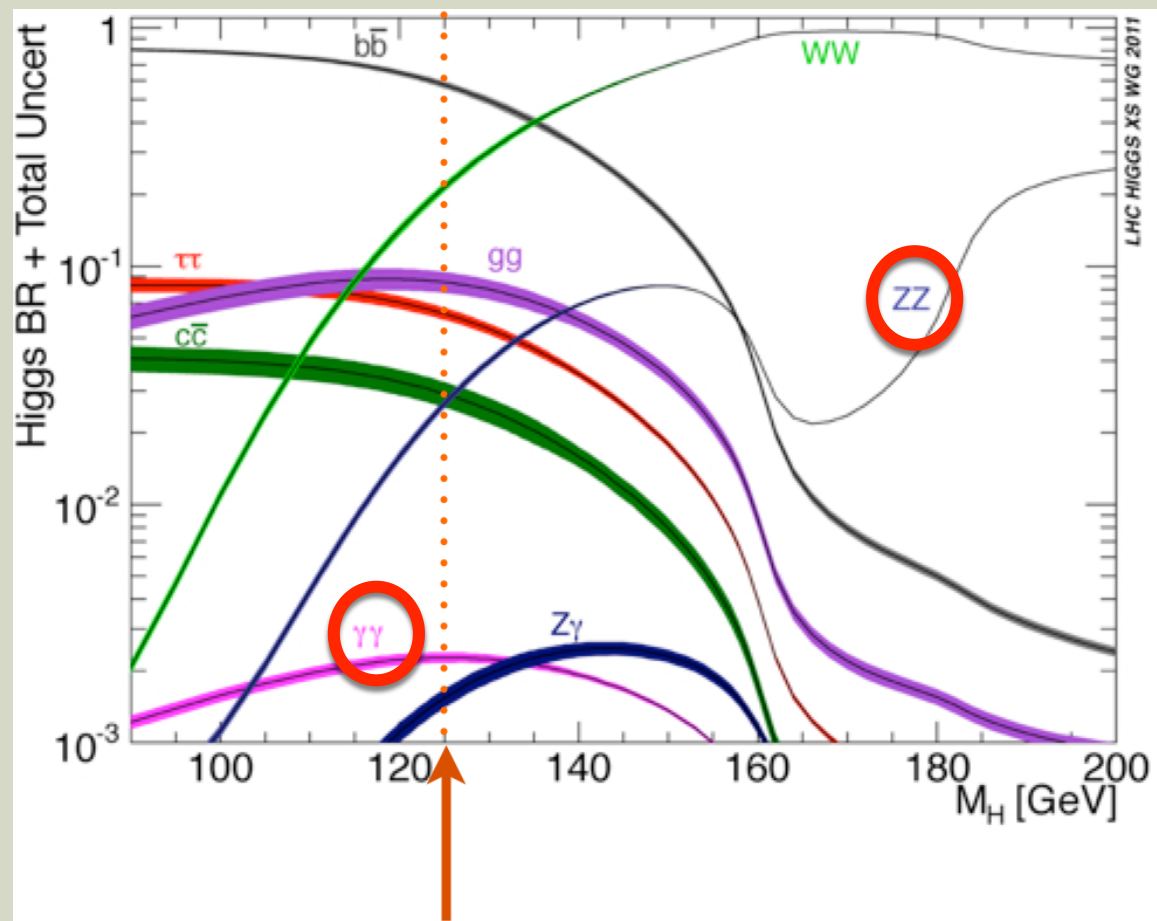


Standard Model
Higgs boson mass

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- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
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- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$
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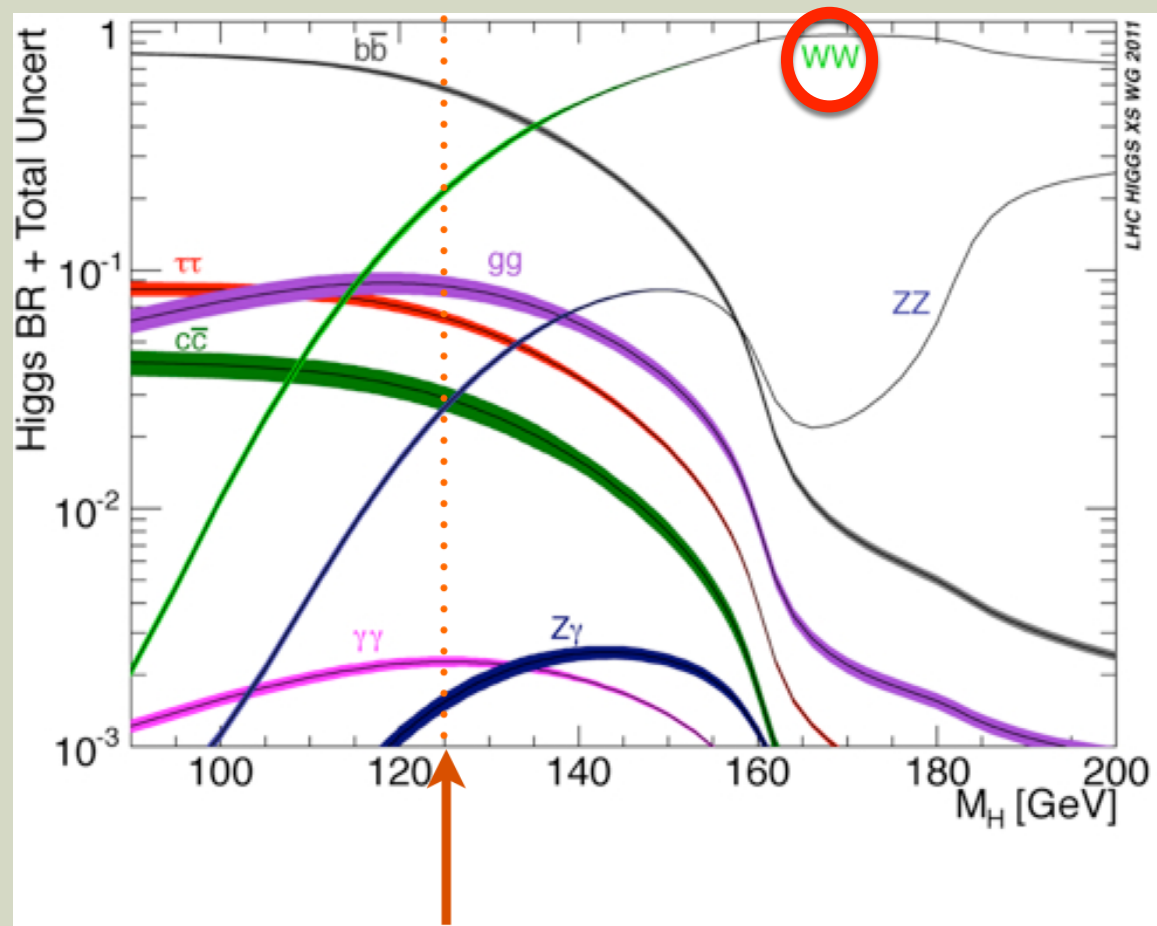
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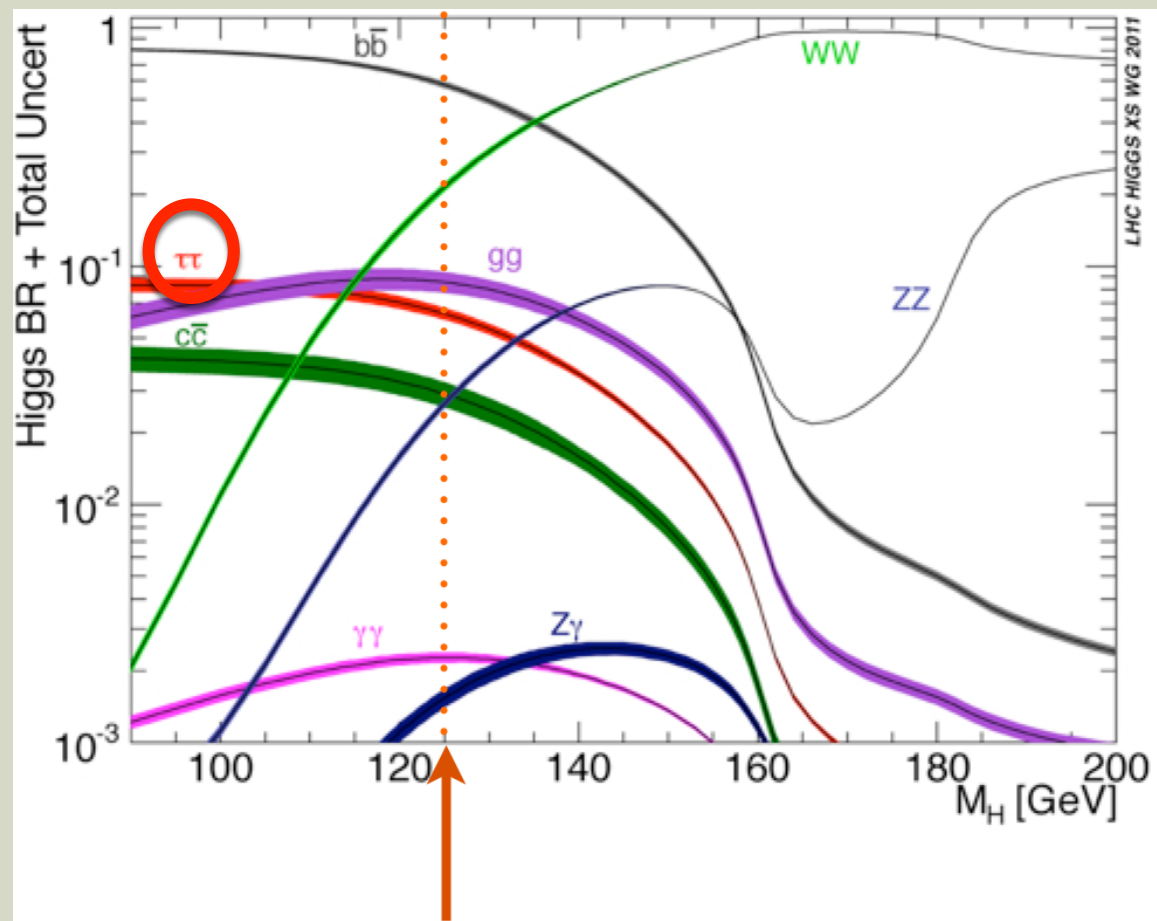
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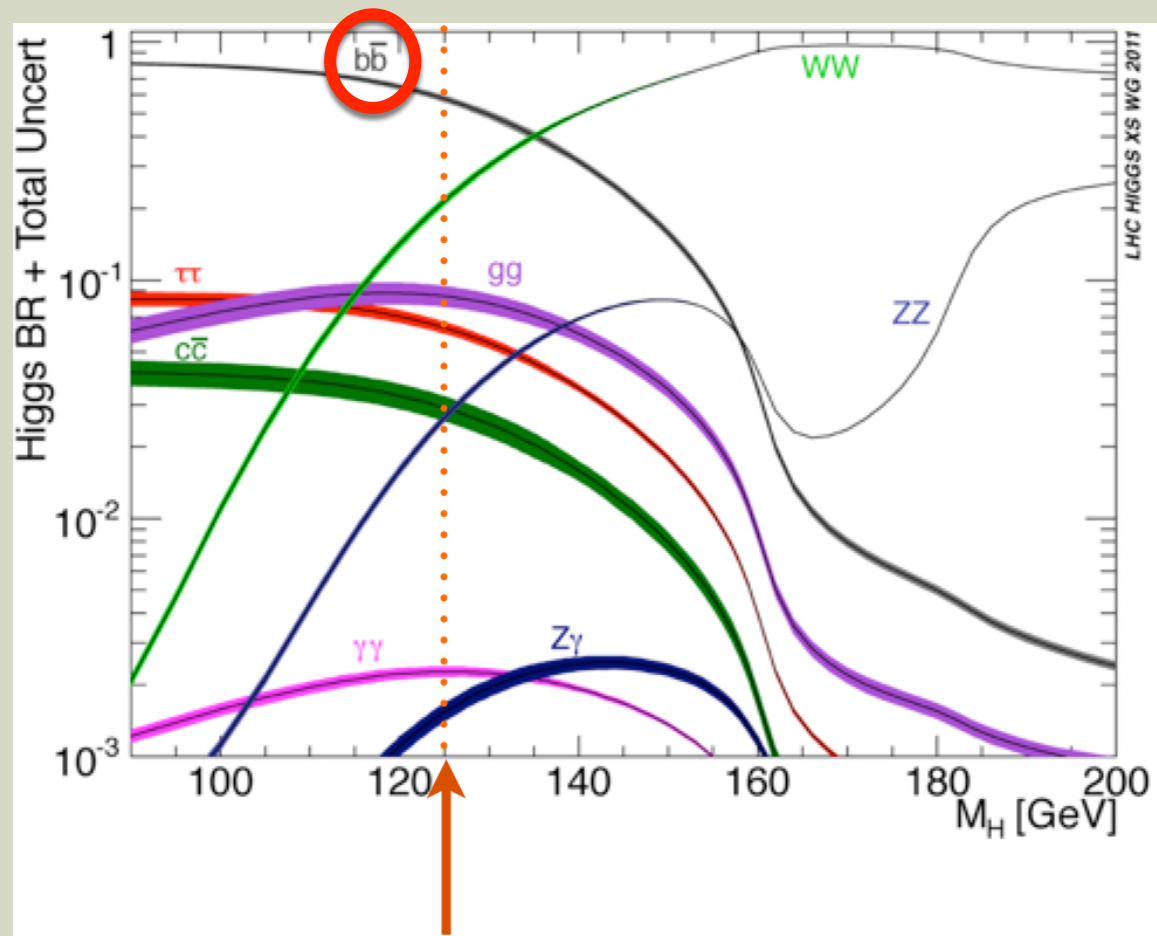
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TODAY: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

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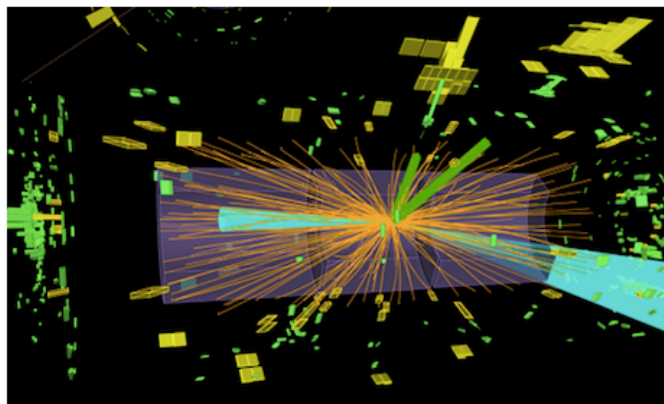


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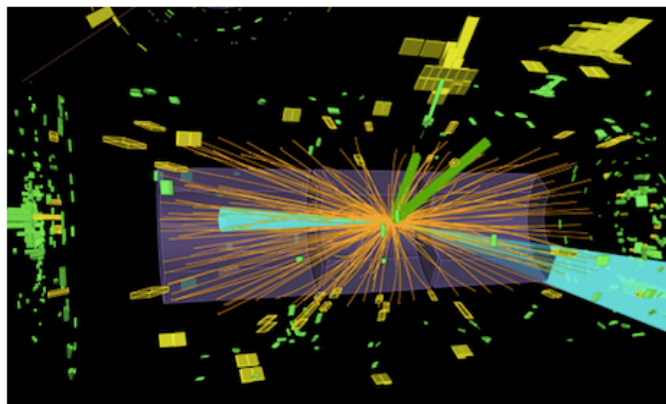


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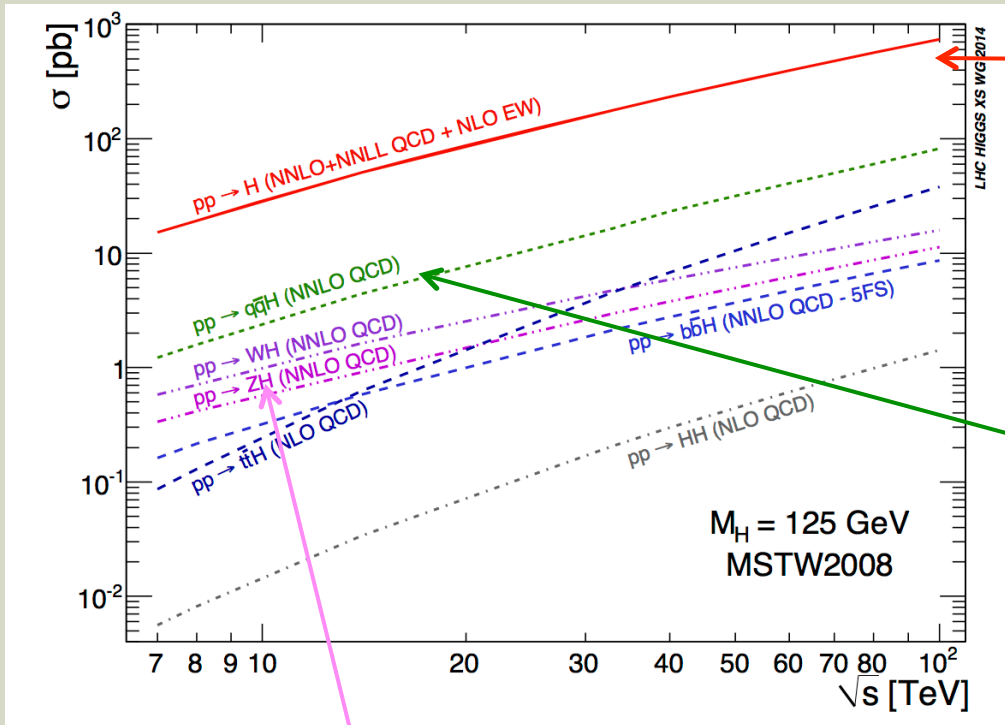
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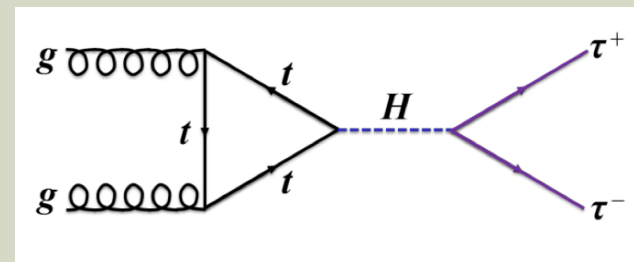
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Direct Evidence for the Higgs Decaying to Fermions, and specifically to Leptons

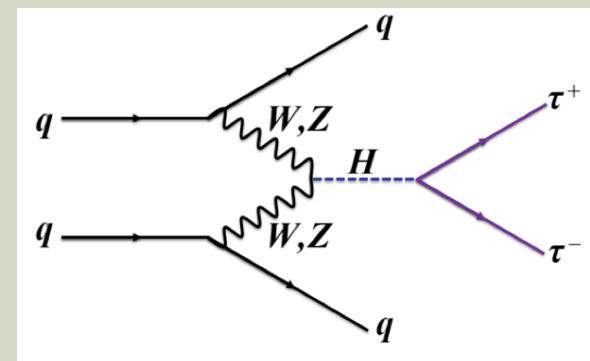
How is the Higgs produced at the LHC?



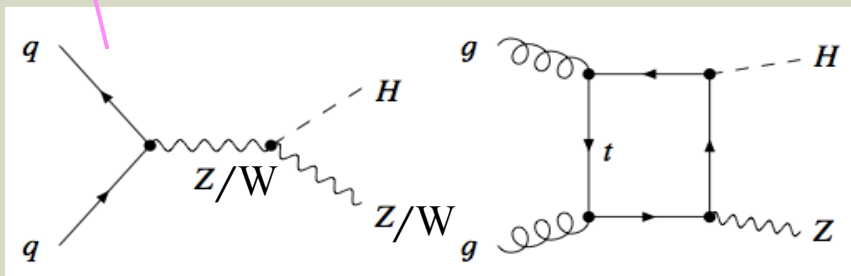
Gluon Fusion



Vector Boson Fusion



Associated Production
VH

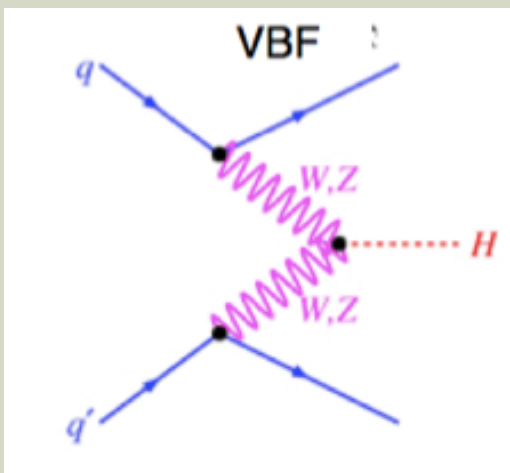


H $\rightarrow\tau\tau$ at ATLAS: SIGNAL REGION CATEGORIES

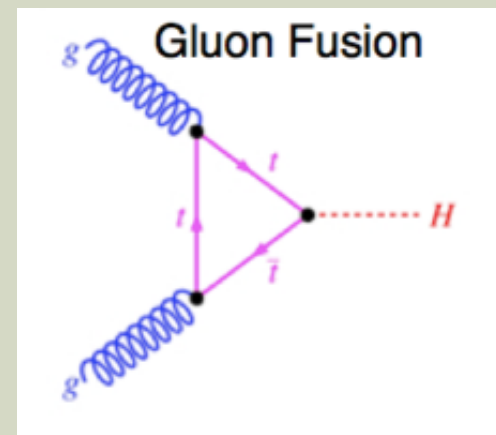
Select 2 Opposite Charge Taus (or leptons) plus:

- Take advantage of the unique signature of VBF production!

Category	Selection	$\tau_{lep}\tau_{lep}$	$\tau_{lep}\tau_{had}$	$\tau_{had}\tau_{had}$
VBF	$p_T(j_1) > (\text{GeV})$	40	50	50
	$p_T(j_2) > (\text{GeV})$	30	30	30/35
	$\Delta\eta(j_1, j_2) >$	2.2	3.0	2.0
	b -jet veto for jet $p_T > (\text{GeV})$	25	30	-
	$p_T^H > (\text{GeV})$	-	-	40
Boosted	$p_T(j_1) > (\text{GeV})$	40	-	-
	$p_T^H > (\text{GeV})$	100	100	100
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Forward jet signature



Largest production mode

H \rightarrow TT CANDIDATE EVENT IN HAD-HAD CHANNEL



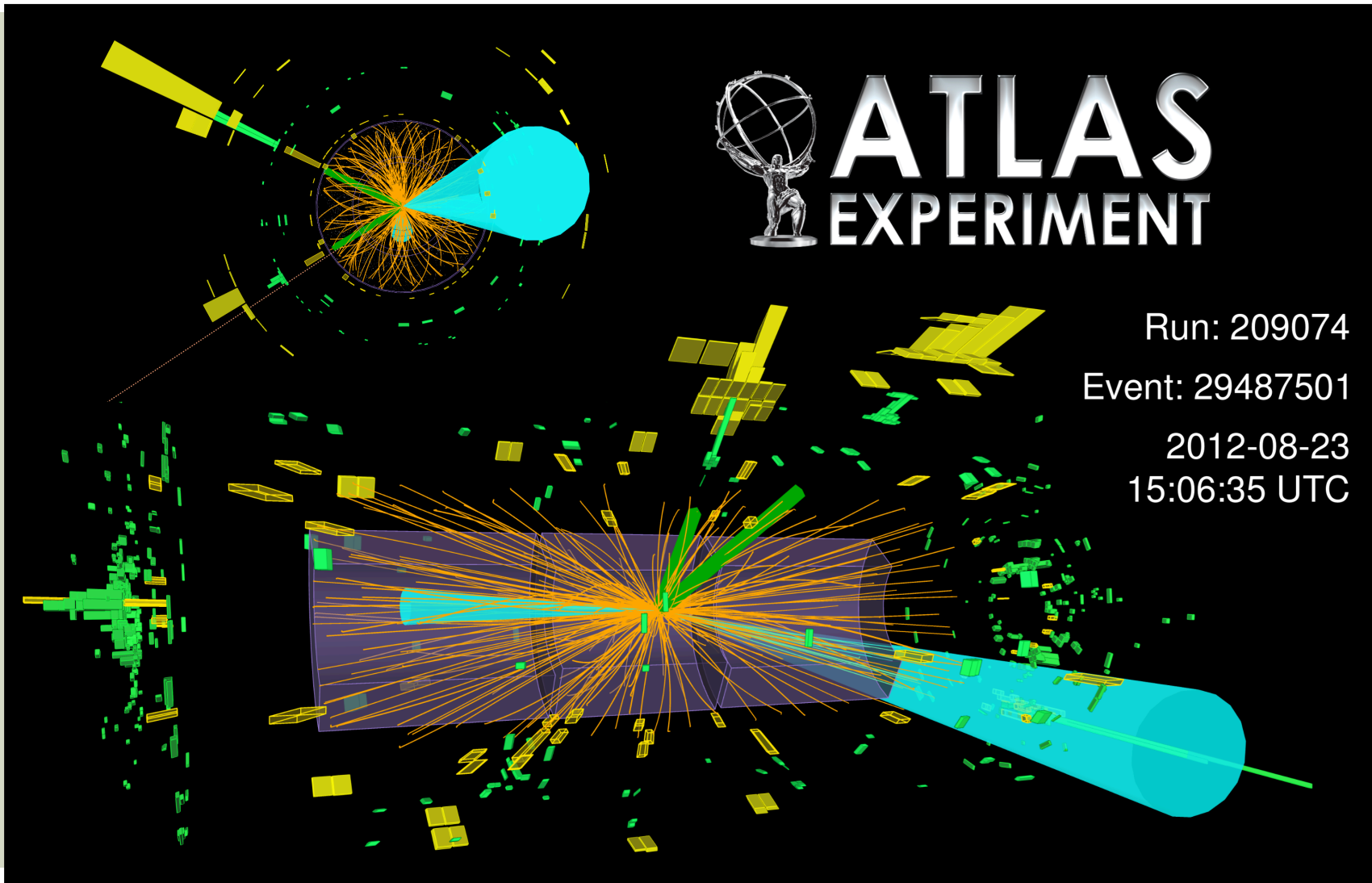
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EXPERIMENT

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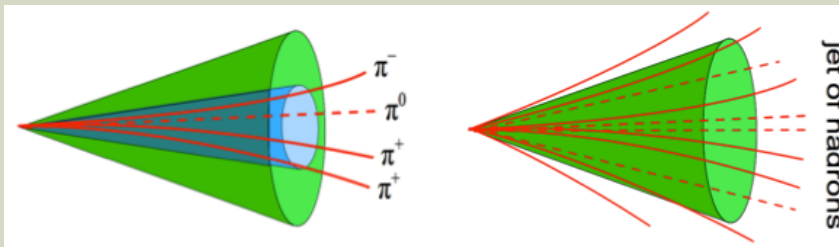
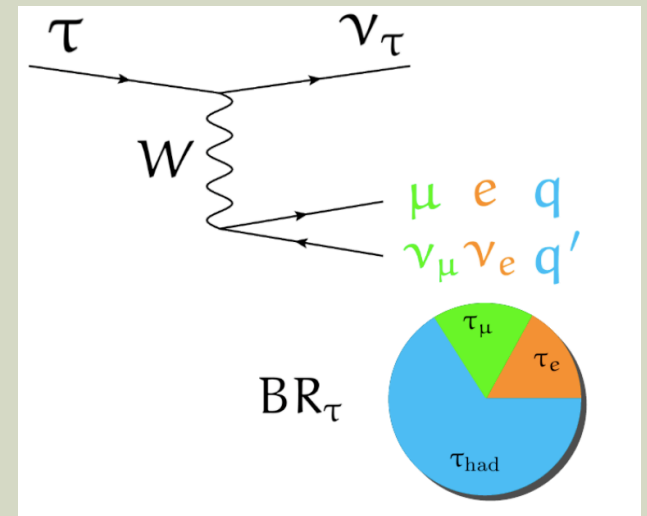
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TAUS AT ATLAS: RUN 1

- $m_\tau = 1.78 \text{ GeV}$; Decay length = $87\mu\text{m}$
- Decay to Hadrons(65%) or Leptons (35%)
- Hadronic decays are highly collimated and have low track multiplicity- 1 or 3 charged pions
- TauID (and lepton suppression) uses Multivariate Techniques that take advantages of shower-shape and track information



main background:
jets of hadrons

➤ **1 Prong** (BR = 49.5%):

Corresponds mostly to:

$$\tau^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \nu_\tau$$

$$\tau^\pm \rightarrow \rho^\pm (\rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^\pm) \nu_\tau$$

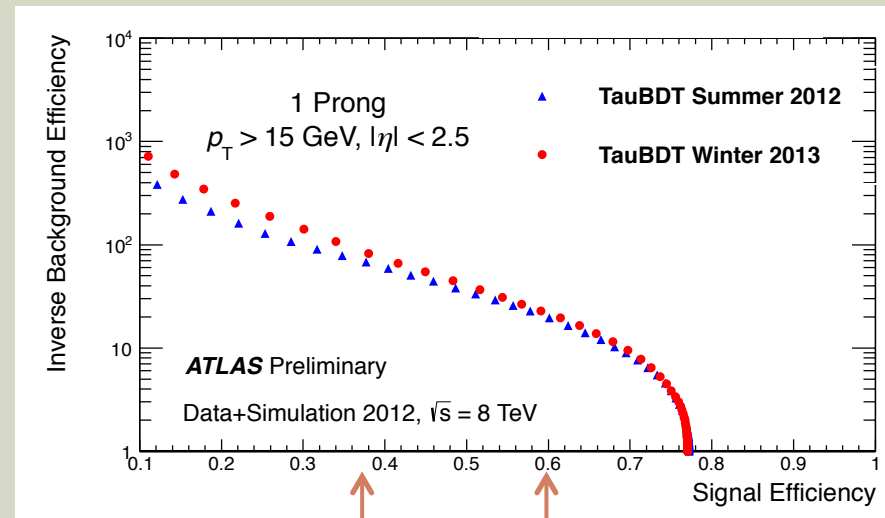
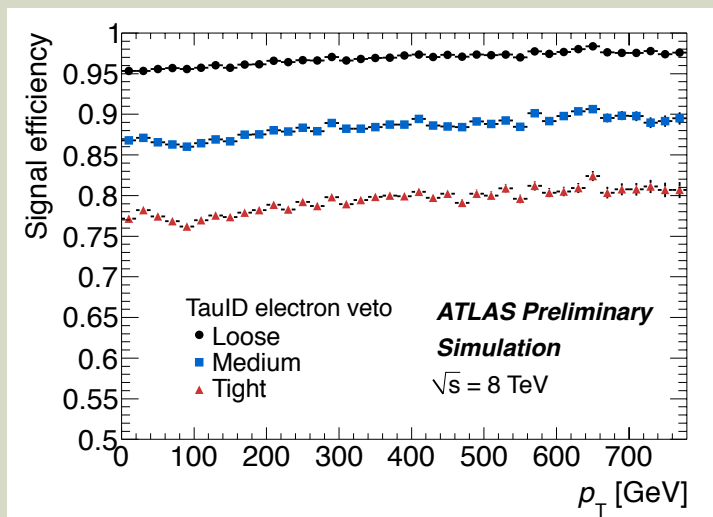
➤ **3 Prong** (BR = 15.2%):

Corresponds mostly to:

$$\tau^\pm \rightarrow a_1^\pm (\rightarrow \rho^0 \pi^\pm \rightarrow 3\pi^\pm) \nu_\tau$$

TAUS AT ATLAS: RUN 1

- ATLAS uses a BDT to identify taus, based on tracking and shower-shape calorimeter training inputs
- A separate BDT is trained purely for tau electron veto.



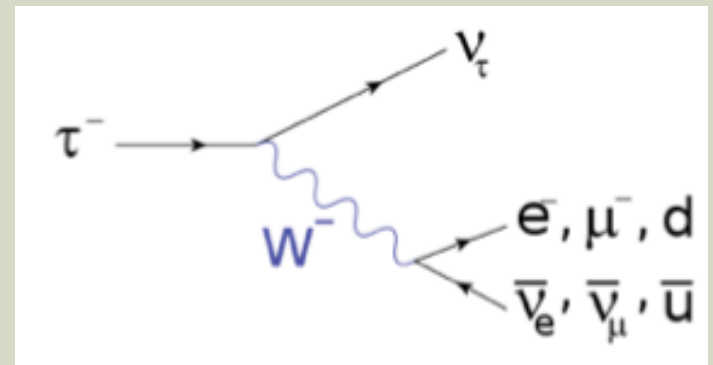
“medium tau”

“tight tau”

$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ at ATLAS

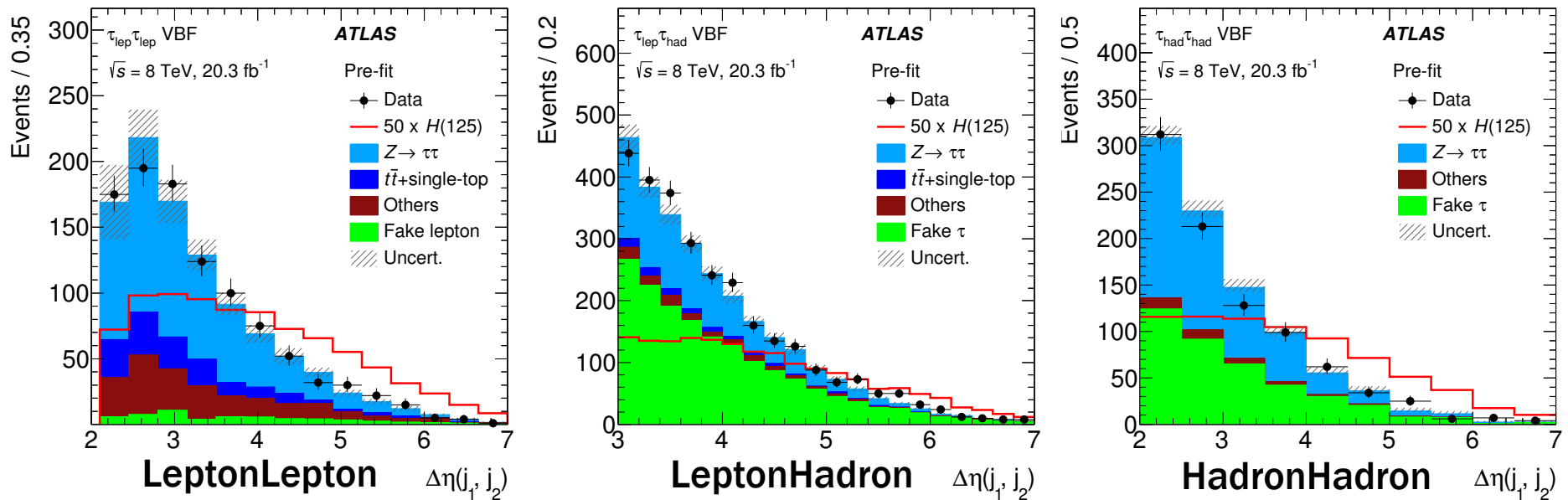
- The $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ analysis includes all final states of tau channels:

- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow$ lepton lepton + 4ν , BR = 12.4%
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow$ lepton hadron + 3ν , BR = 45.6%
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow$ hadron hadron + 2ν , BR = 42%



- The search uses a Multivariate approach (Boosted Decision Trees)
- The analysis was framed to specifically test for the 125 GeV Standard Model Higgs decaying to taus
- Final sensitivity is determined with a likelihood fit comparing data to $\mu \times [125 \text{ GeV SM Higgs signal}]$

ANALYSIS STRATEGY

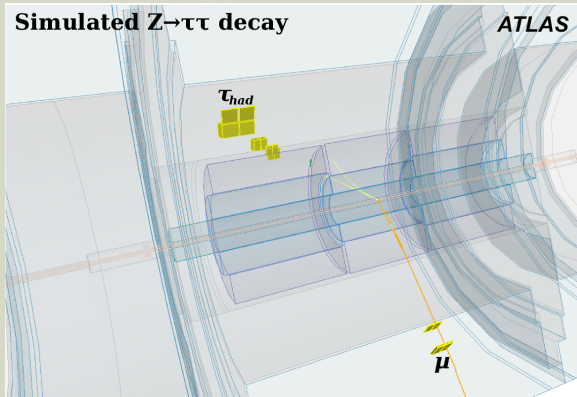
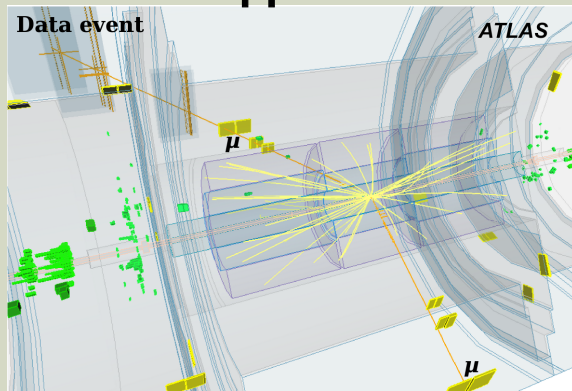


- The three channels have different background compositions
- Major background contributions from $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ and “Fake taus”. Both are modeled with data.
- The other backgrounds are modeled with Monte Carlo. In the case of $t\bar{t}$ in lelep and lephad, normalization is found in data Control Regions.

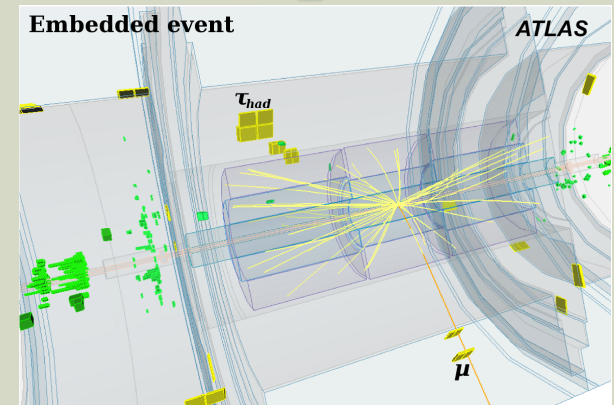
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ MODELING: EMBEDDING

- Embedding:
 - Select $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ data
 - Replace muons with simulated taus (including spin)
- Z-boson kinematics, jets, MET resolution, pile-up, and VBF/EWK production are directly modeled by data

$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ data



Embedded $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ event

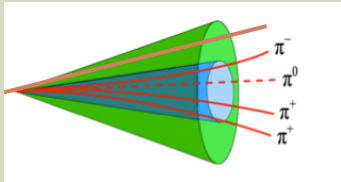


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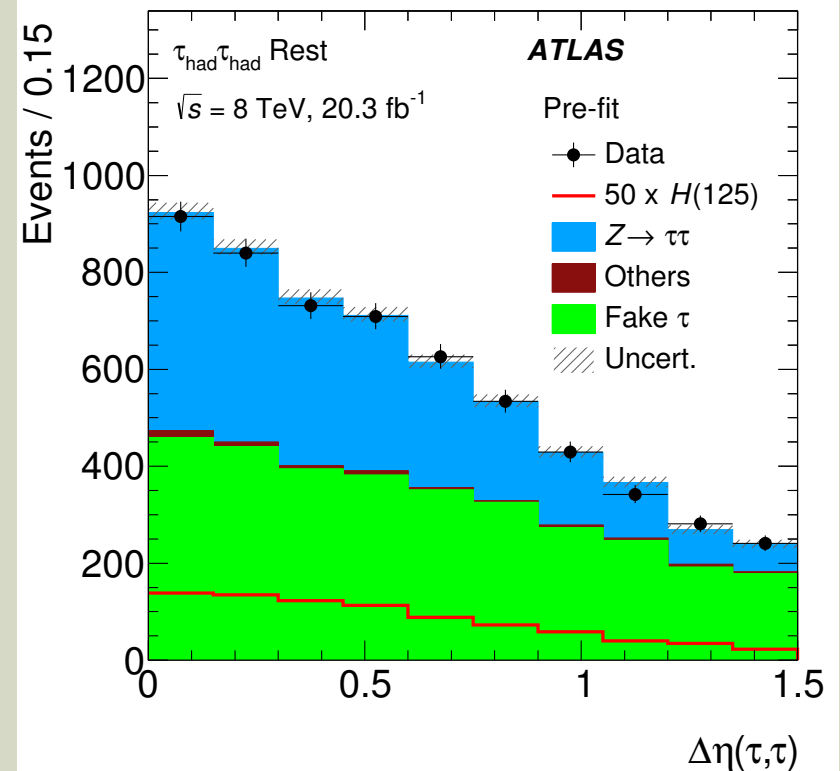
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MODELING FAKE TAUS AND MULTIJET BACKGROUND

- Hadron Hadron Channel: Background from jets is made almost entirely of multijet QCD
- Model the Shape of the background with data: taus that fail the isolation and opposite-sign charge requirements



- Normalization: the fit is performed for the distribution of the difference in pseudorapidity between the two hadronic tau candidates, $\Delta\eta(\tau_{\text{had}}, \tau_{\text{had}})$.



MODELING FAKE TAUS AND MULTIJET BACKGROUND

- LepHad Channel: Background from jets faking hadronic taus = QCD, $Z(\ell\ell)+\text{jets}$, $W+\text{jets}$, $t\bar{t}$
 - Model with data events that pass Loose Tau ID but fail Medium ID
 - Use the “Fake factor” method to account for differences according to:

Tau candidate p_T

Tau track multiplicity: 1-track vs 3-track tau candidates.

Sources with Quark-dominated jets:

$W+\text{jets}$: $m_T > 70$ GeV

semileptonic $t\bar{t}$: inverted b-jet veto

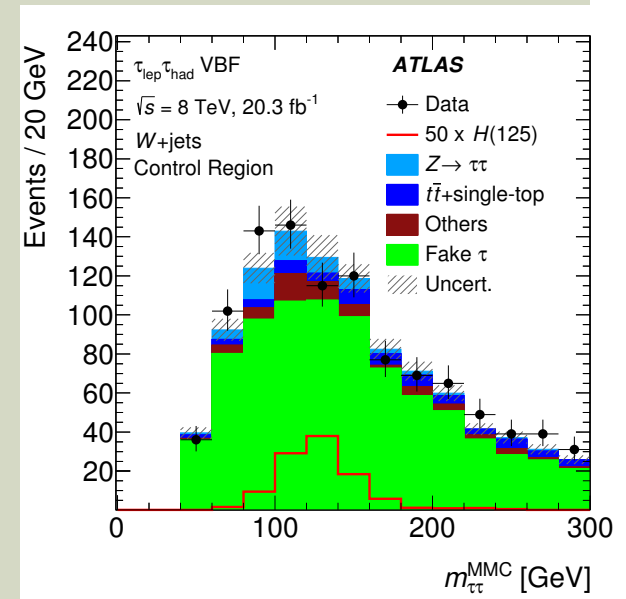
$Z(\ell\ell)+\text{jets}$: require 2 leptons w/ ($80 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 100 \text{ GeV}$)

Sources with Gluon-dominated jets:

QCD: relax lepton selection: Loose requirement

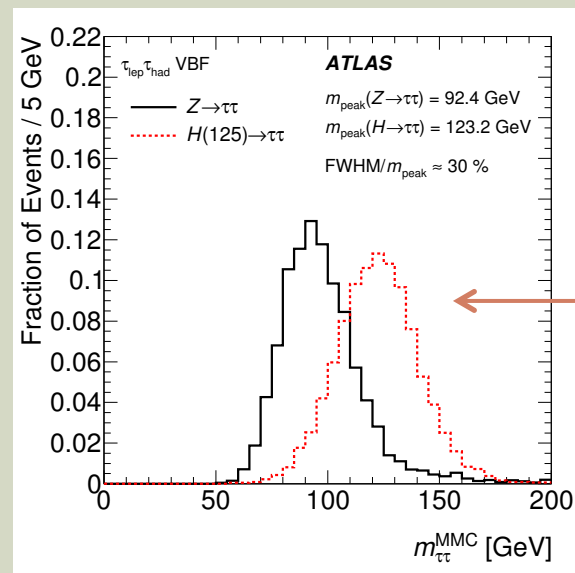
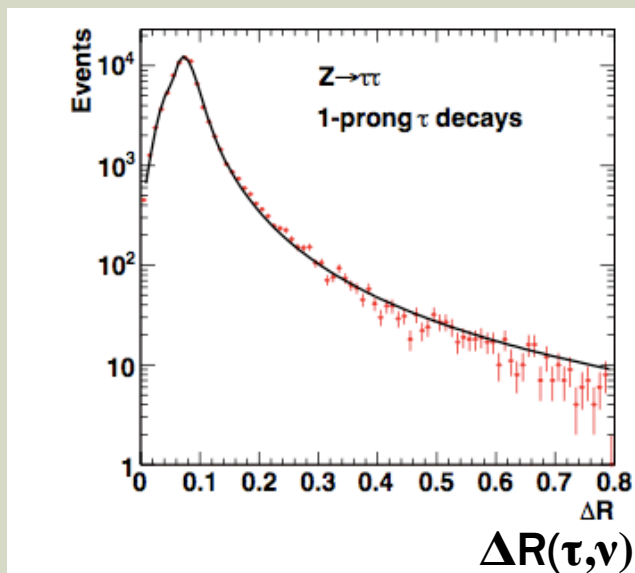
Fake Factor:
$$\frac{N_{\tau_{\text{medium ID}}}}{N_{\tau_{\text{loose-but-not-medium ID}}}}$$

Applied to a sample of data passing selection but with $\tau_{\text{loose-but-not-medium ID}}$



MISSING MASS CALCULATOR

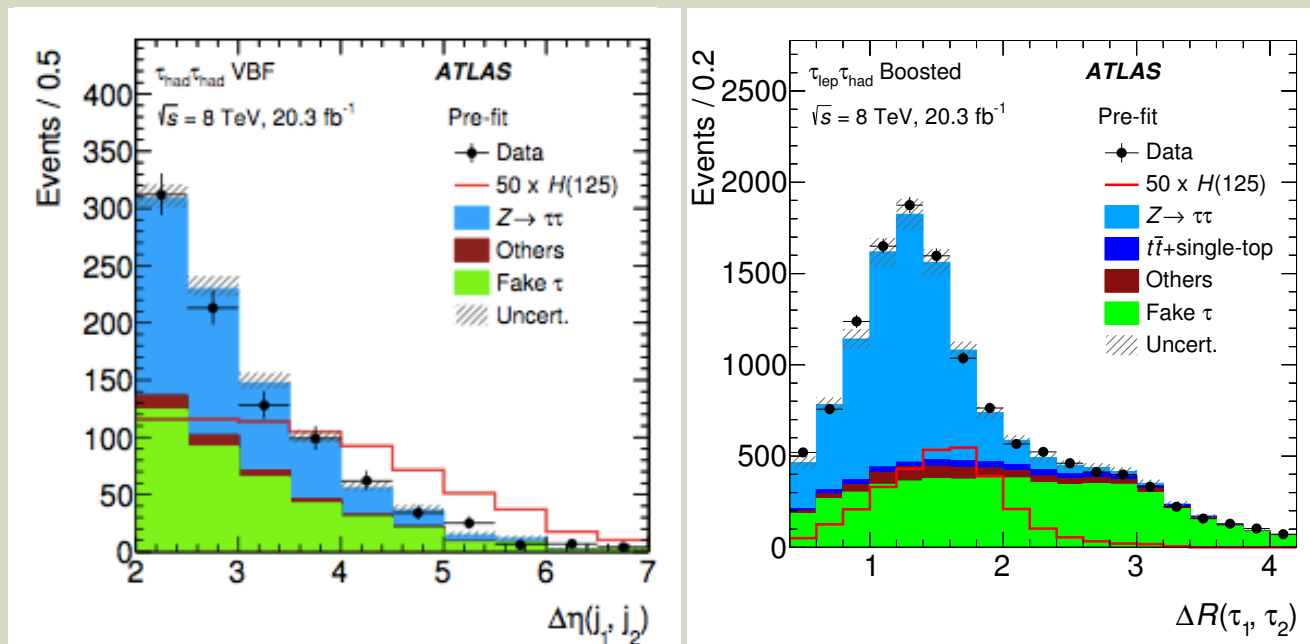
- Good $m_{\tau\tau}$ resolution provides separation between H and $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$
- Final state neutrinos make invariant mass calculation tricky. Use the **Missing Mass Calculator (MMC)**
 - Find the most probable neutrino momentum based on tau kinematics and Missing Transverse Energy



Separation
between H
and Z

INPUTS TO THE BOOSTED DECISION TREE

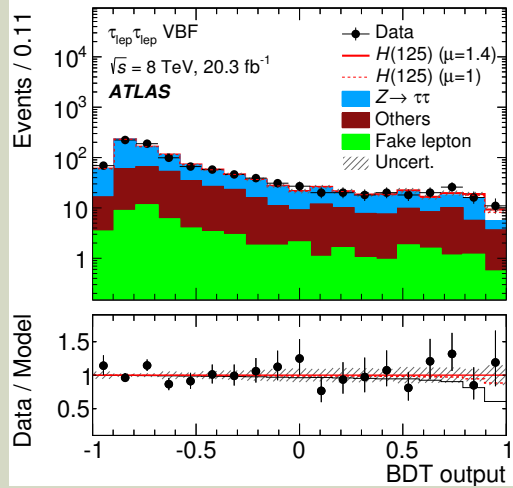
- 6 separate BDTs are trained, for each channel and category



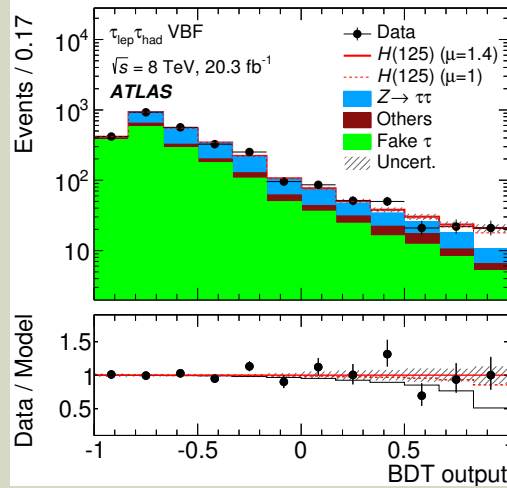
- $H\tau\tau$ Resonance properties: $m(\tau\tau)$, $\Delta R(\tau\tau)$
- VBF topology: m_{jj} , $\Delta\eta_{jj}$, Centrality
- Event activity: sum p_T from all objects
- Event topology: m_T , $p_T(\tau_1)/p_T(\tau_2)$

BOOSTED DECISION TREE OUTPUT

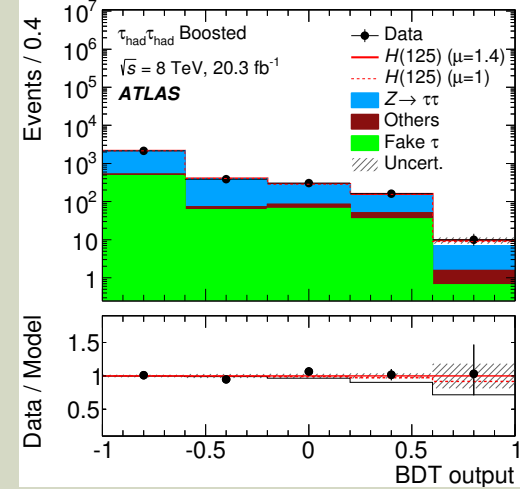
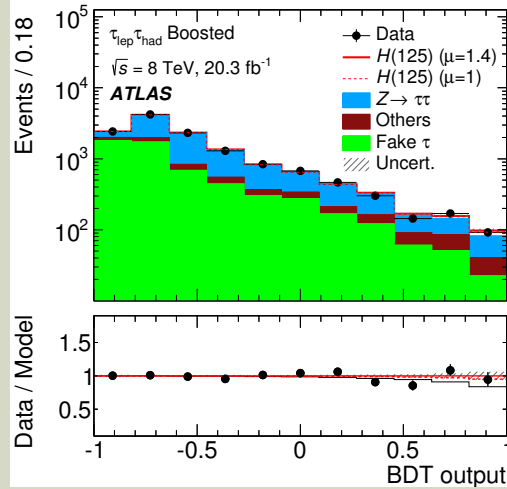
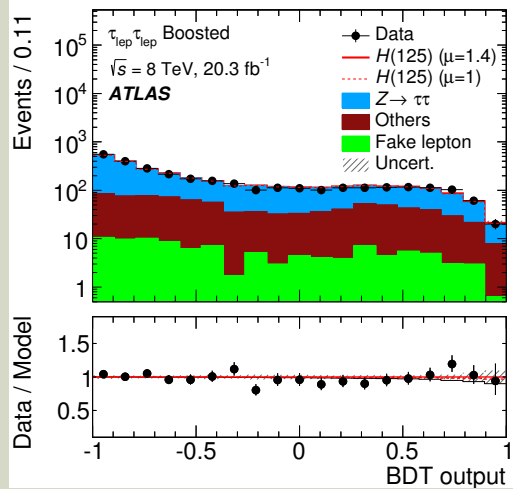
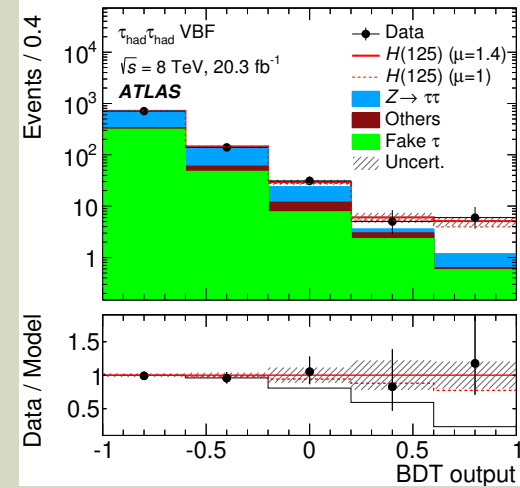
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LeptonHadron Channel



HadronHadron Channel

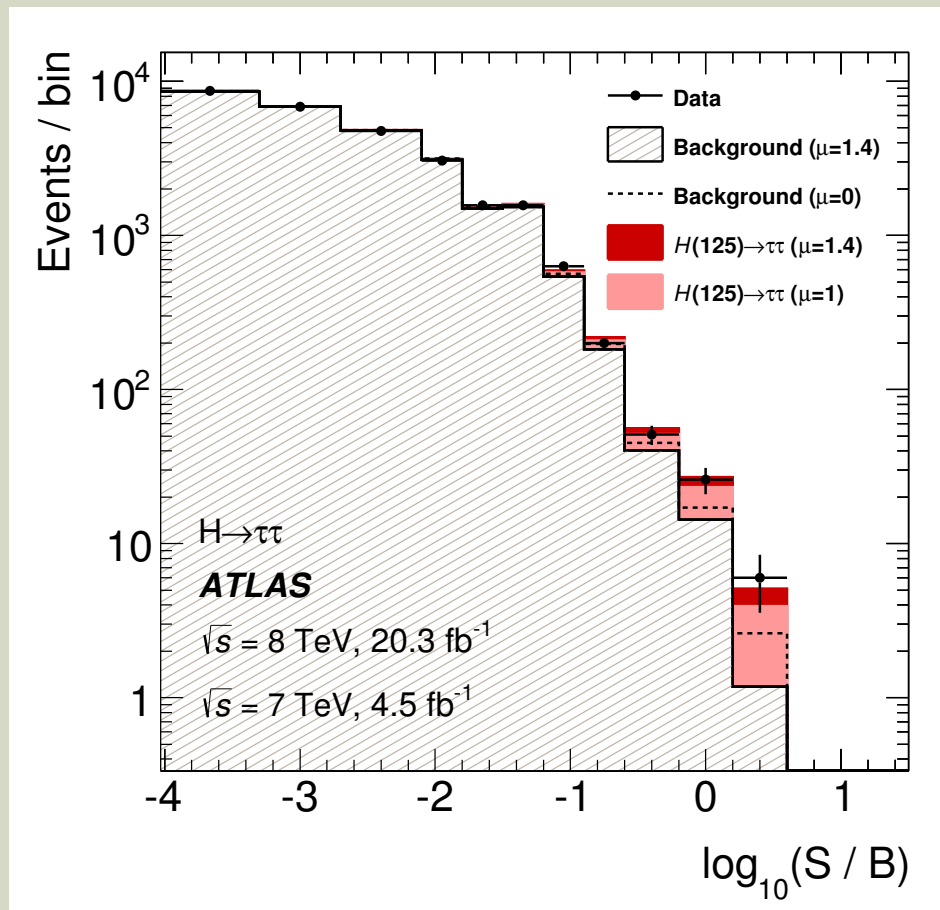


RESULTS

- Visualize the total result:

Calculate the S/B expected in each bin of the BDTs.

Order the bins according to their S/B.



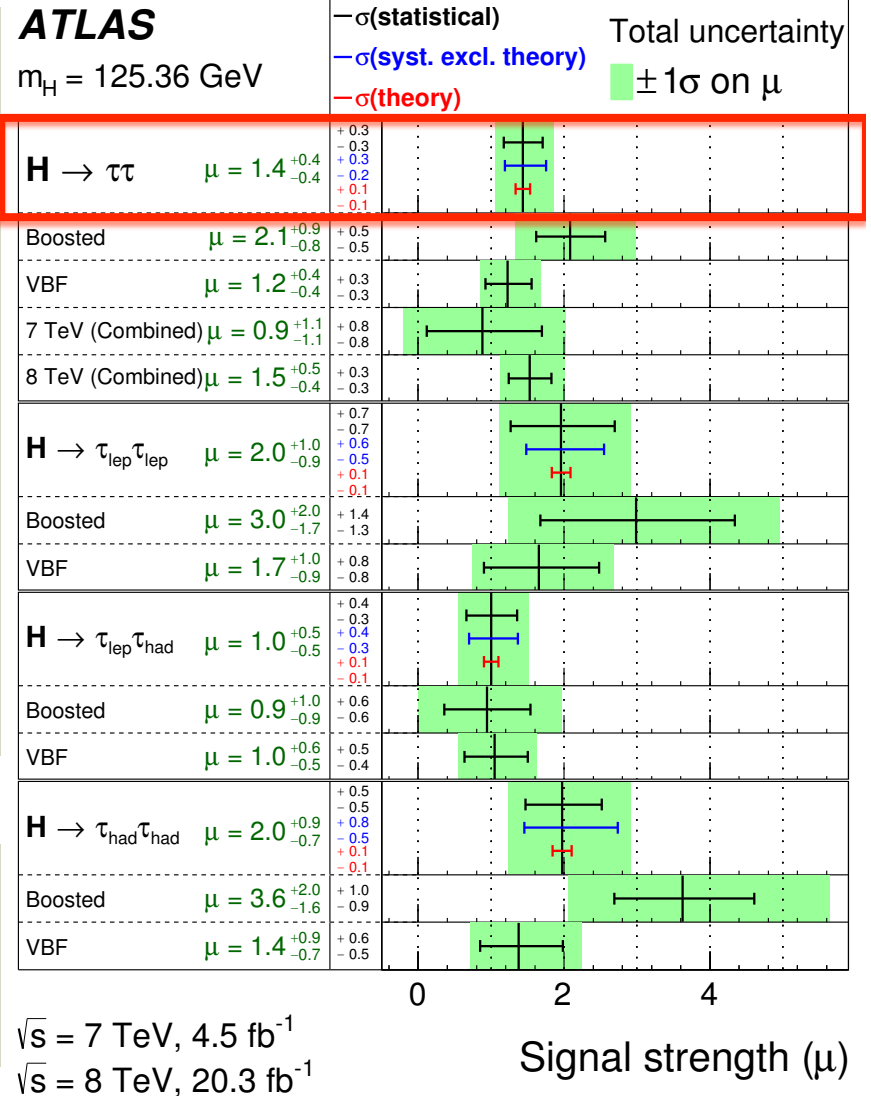
RESULTS

- To determine the signal strength of the analysis, a PDF of each background and predicted signal is made.
- A simultaneous fit is done in all channels to extract the signal strength
 - The backgrounds and signals are allowed to move within their systematic uncertainties
 - The normalizations for many backgrounds are floated

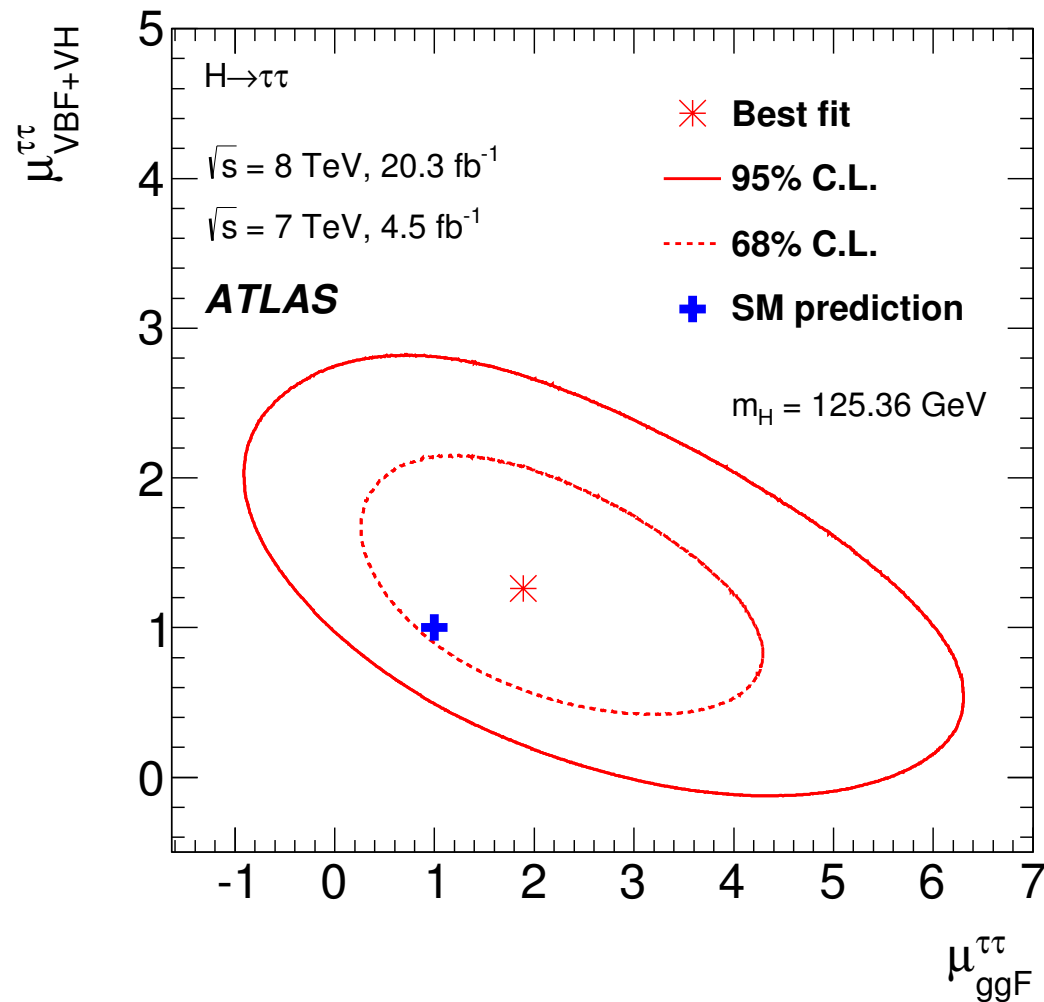
$$\text{Signal strength } \mu = \frac{\sigma_{\text{measured}}}{\sigma_{SM}}$$

$$\mu = 1.43^{+0.27}_{-0.26}(\text{stat.})^{+0.32}_{-0.25}(\text{syst.}) \pm 0.09(\text{theory syst.})$$

The data corresponds to a deviation from the background-only hypothesis at the level 4.5σ (3.4σ expected)



SEPARATION BY HIGGS PRODUCTION



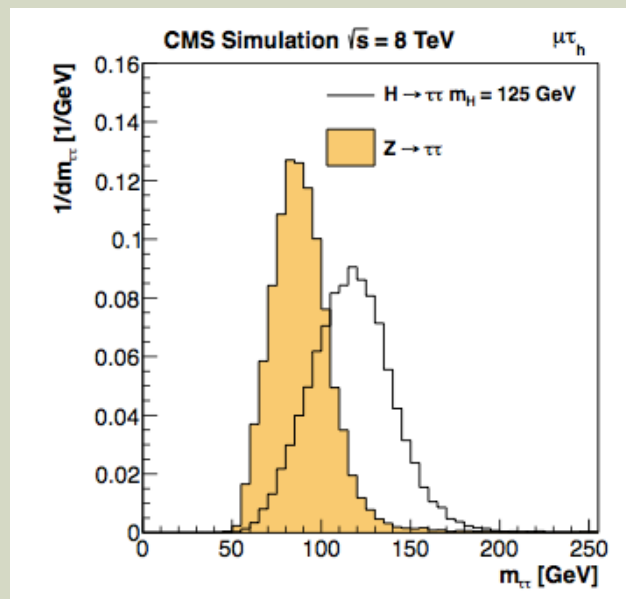
- The $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ selection is such that a large part of the sensitivity is to H produced via VBF (much more so than other Higgs channels)
- We can separate our sensitivity into the vector-boson-mediated VBF and VH processes gluon-mediated ggF process.

COMPARISON WITH CMS RUN 1 $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

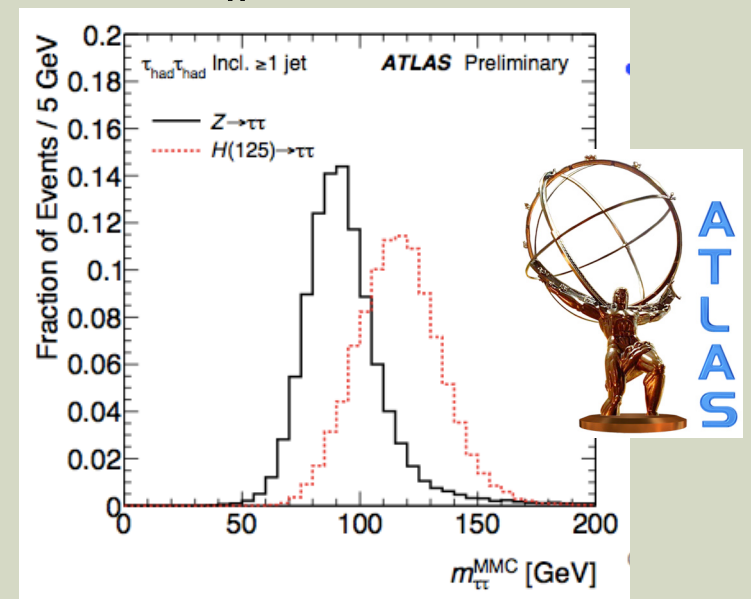
- Evidence for $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ at CMS came out at nearly the same time as ATLAS
- CMS does not use a multivariate analysis
- Otherwise, many similarities in the searches

Similar
di-tau
mass resolution

$m_{\tau\tau}$ CMS



$m_{\tau\tau}$ ATLAS



CMS Categories

VBF & GluonFusion production

84 categories

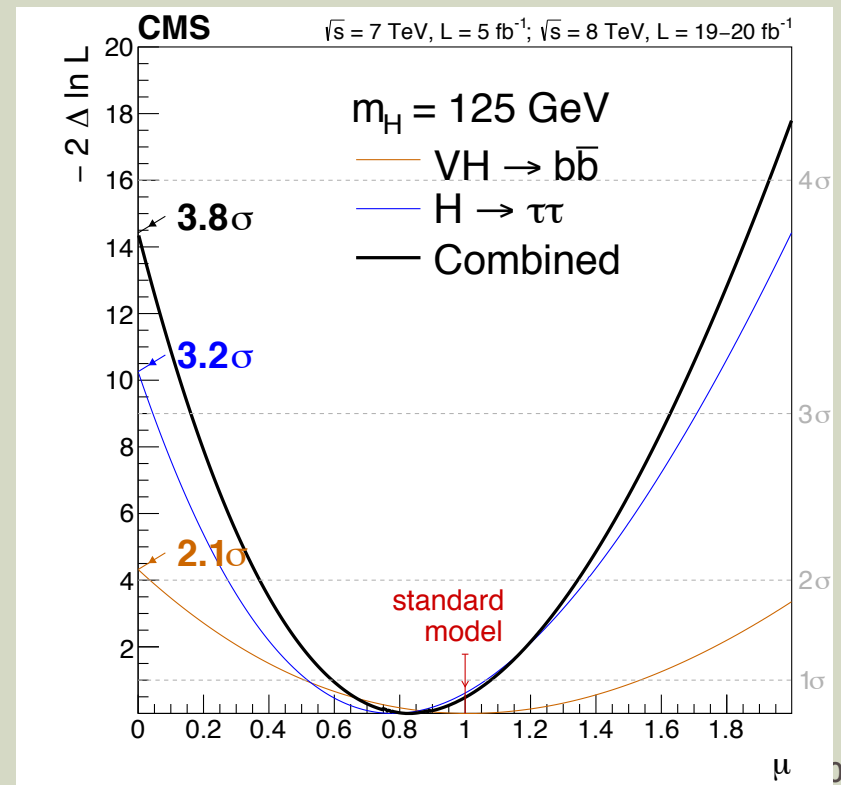
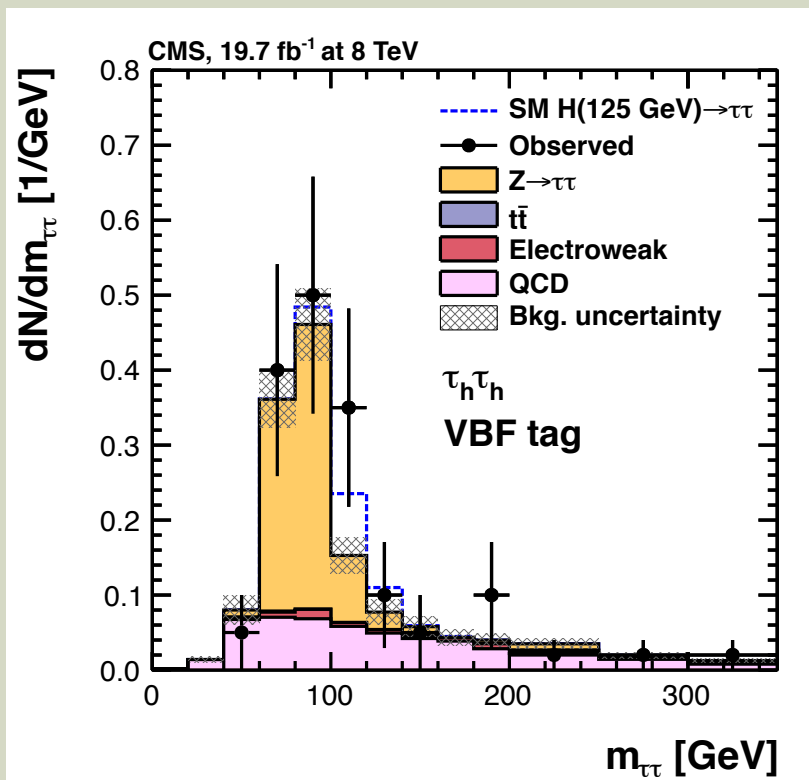
Variables used in cutting:
 Jet Multiplicity
 DiJet Mass & Separation
 DiTau pT
 H pT, Tau or lep pT
 Central Jet Veto

		0-jet	1-jet		2-jet	
				$p_T^{\tau\tau} > 100 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{jj} > 500 \text{ GeV}$ $ \Delta\eta_{jj} > 3.5$	$p_T^{\tau\tau} > 100 \text{ GeV}$ $m_{jj} > 700 \text{ GeV}$ $ \Delta\eta_{jj} > 4.0$
$\mu\tau_h$	$p_T^{\text{th}} > 45 \text{ GeV}$	high- p_T^{th}	high- p_T^{th}	high- p_T^{th} boosted	loose VBF tag	tight VBF tag (2012 only)
	baseline	low- p_T^{th}	low- p_T^{th}			
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	baseline	low- p_T^{th}	low- p_T^{th}			
$e\mu$	$p_T^{\mu} > 35 \text{ GeV}$	high- p_T^{μ}	high- p_T^{μ}		loose VBF tag	tight VBF tag (2012 only)
	baseline	low- p_T^{μ}	low- p_T^{μ}			
$ee, \mu\mu$	$p_T^l > 35 \text{ GeV}$	high- p_T^l	high- p_T^l		2-jet	
	baseline	low- p_T^l	low- p_T^l			
$\tau_h\tau_h$ (8 TeV only)			boosted	highly boosted	VBF tag	
	baseline					
			$p_T^{\tau\tau} > 100 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^{\tau\tau} > 170 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^{\tau\tau} > 100 \text{ GeV}$ $m_{jj} > 500 \text{ GeV}$ $ \Delta\eta_{jj} > 3.5$	

VBF

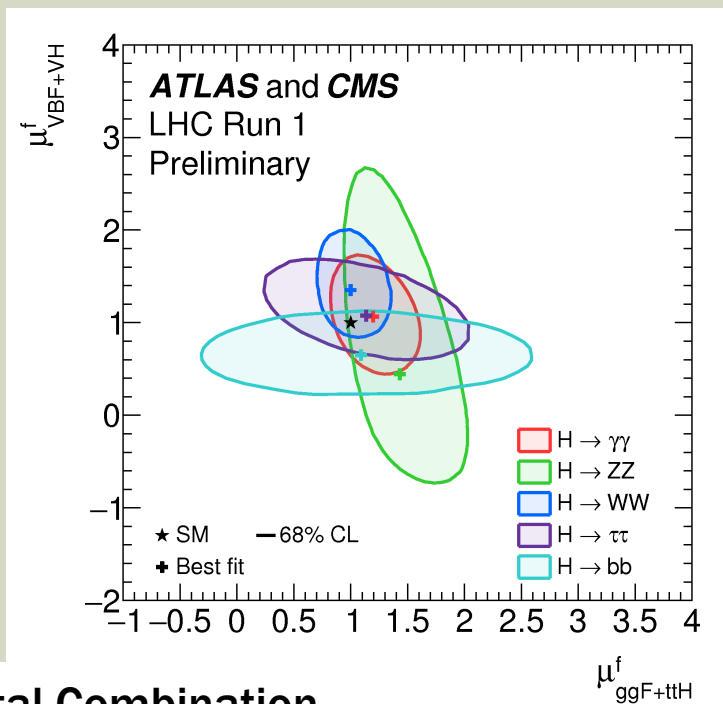
CMS $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ RESULTS

- Evidence at 3.8 standard deviations, when 4.4 are expected.
- The best fit of the observed $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ signal cross section for $m_H = 125$ GeV is 0.78 ± 0.27 times the standard model expectation



LATEST LHC HIGGS COMBINATION

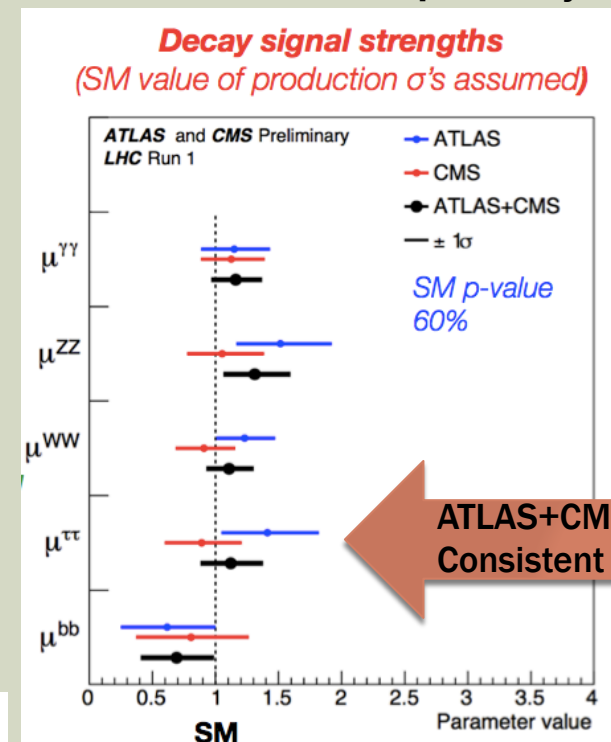
- Earlier this month the latest CMS+ATLAS Higgs combination was released. Combined measurements from the following channels:
 - $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $H \rightarrow ZZ$, $H \rightarrow WW$, $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$, $VH \rightarrow Vbb$, $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$, $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$, $ttH \rightarrow tt(bb, \ell\ell, \gamma\gamma)$



Total Combination

$$\mu = 1.09^{+0.11}_{-0.10} = 1.09^{+0.07}_{-0.07} \text{ (stat)} \quad ^{+0.04}_{-0.04} \text{ (expt)} \quad ^{+0.03}_{-0.03} \text{ (thbgd)} \quad ^{+0.07}_{-0.06} \text{ (thsig)}$$

Fit each channel separately:



LATEST LHC HIGGS COMBINATION

Significance of combined observations

- Comparing likelihood of the best-fit with likelihood assuming $\mu_{\text{prod}}=0$ or $\mu^{\text{decay}}=0$ we obtain:

Production process	Observed Significance(σ)	Expected Significance (σ)
VBF	5.4	4.7
WH	2.4	2.7
ZH	2.3	2.9
VH	3.5	4.2
ttH	4.4	2.0
Decay channel		
H $\rightarrow\tau\tau$	5.5	5.0
H $\rightarrow b\bar{b}$	2.6	3.7



*VBF production and H $\rightarrow\tau\tau$ now established at over 5 σ .
ggF and H $\rightarrow ZZ, \gamma\gamma, WW$ already established by each experiment*

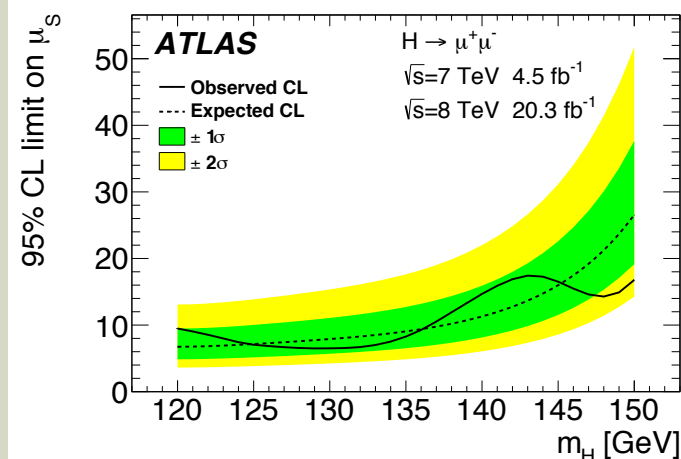
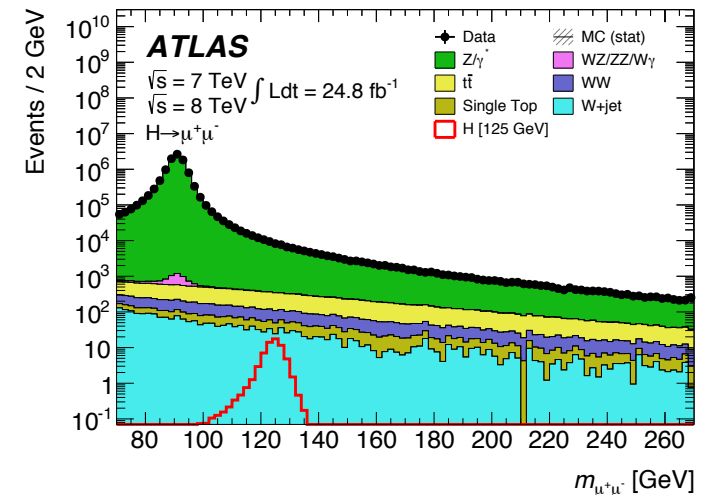
**Combining CMS
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**CERN Seminar
by Wouter Verkeke
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ONE MORE NOTE ON LEPTONS FROM RUN 1

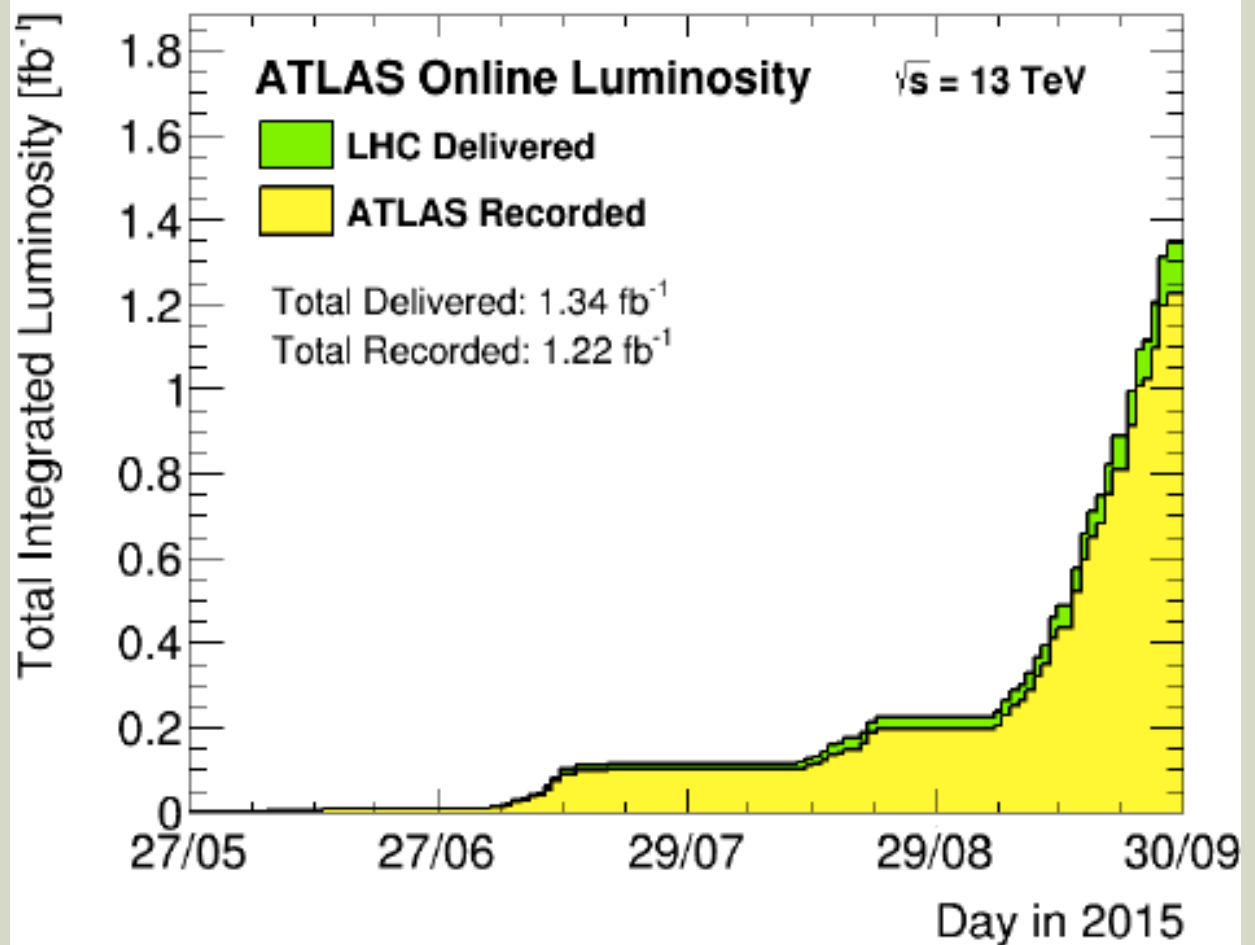
■ $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$

- Higgs decaying to muons not seen: Higgs does not couple evenly to all leptons



AND NOW: RUN 2!

- We have now collected $> 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ of 13 TeV data
- Somewhat slower LHC start than expected, now running well.



$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ IN RUN 2

LHC season 2: New frontiers in physics Français English

Restarting the physics programme for the Large Hadron Collider at the unprecedented energy of 13 TeV

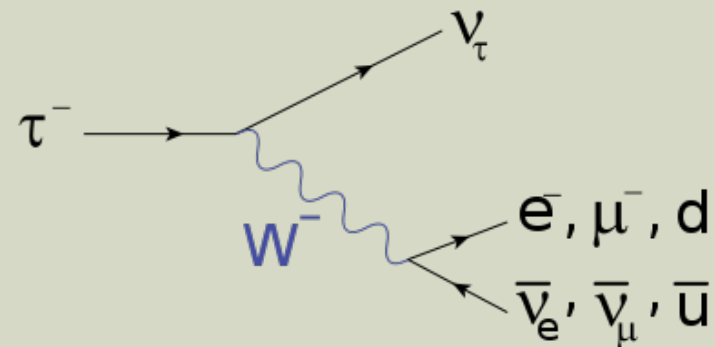
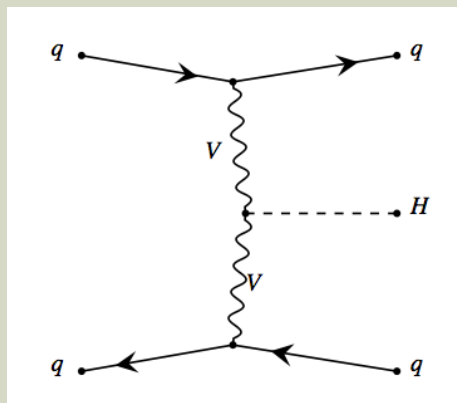
Now that $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ has been observed at the 5 sigma level, what are the goals for Run 2?

- Precision: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ will be the most sensitive measurement of the H-fermion coupling.
- Properties: CP measurements with $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$, develop self-coupling analysis
- New Physics: $h \rightarrow aa \rightarrow 2\tau 2\mu$, $H/A \rightarrow \tau\tau$, $H^{\pm} \rightarrow \tau\nu$, $HH \rightarrow \tau\tau bb$

HIGGS PROPERTIES MEASUREMENTS: CP-MIXING MEASURED IN $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$:

- In the Standard Model the Higgs is Spin 0 CP-even. Evidence for Spin-0 nature has been published.
- The Higgs could yet be a mixture of CP-even & CP-odd.
- In the $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ channel the CP can be measured from two sides: Production and Decay angles
- Production: Correlate jet and H decay angles in VBF
- Decay: In Higgs-Fermion coupling CP-even/odd components enter at tree level

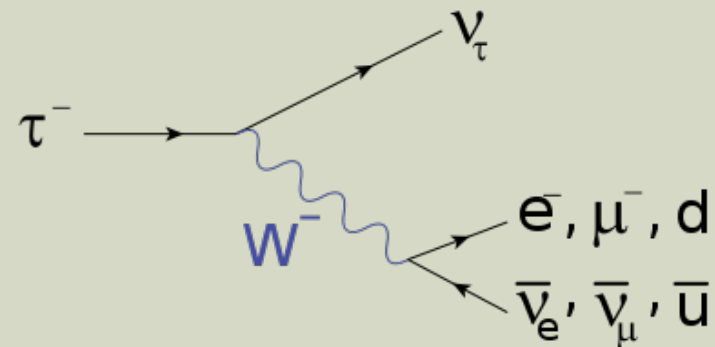
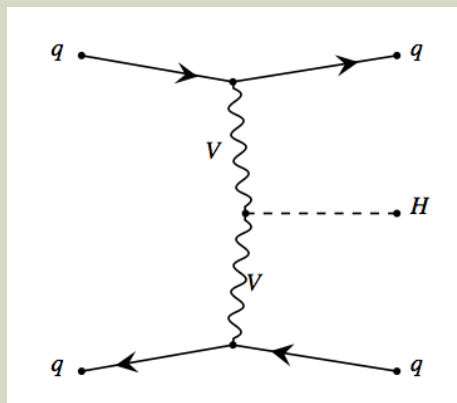
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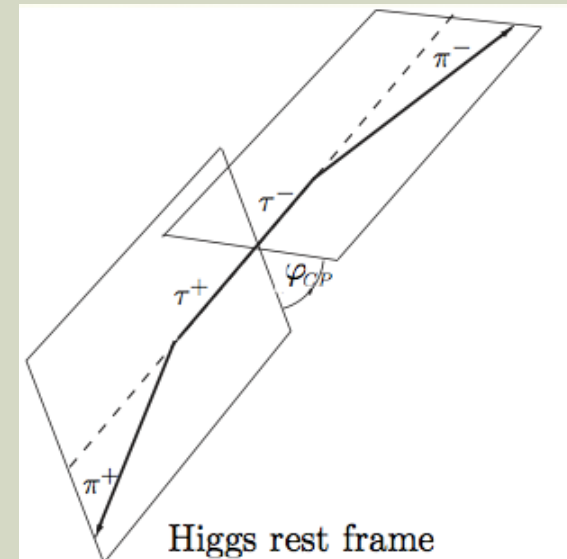
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- Some theorize: CP-mixing suppressed in H-boson channels (CP odd only enters in loops). H-Fermion could be our portal to see BSM CP-mixing?
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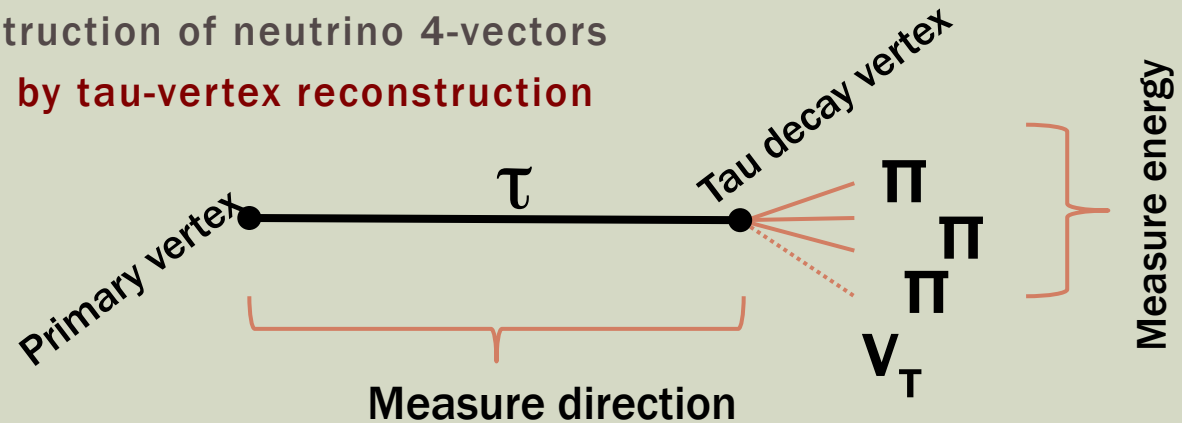
CP-MIXING MEASURED IN $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ DECAY:

- In $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ decay the spin of the Higgs is correlated to the spin of the tau.
- Measure polar angle distribution of the H-decay products (H-ff vertex)
Will allow us to distinguish between CP-even, CP-odd, or CP-mixed states
- Two strategies :
 - Via reconstruction of H rest frame:
Acoplanarity between decay products in tautau rest frame
 - Requires reconstruction of neutrino 4-vectors
 - Could be helped by tau-vertex reconstruction
 - Via reconstruction of τ impact parameters:
Angle between impact parameter vectors in $\pi\pi$ rest frame



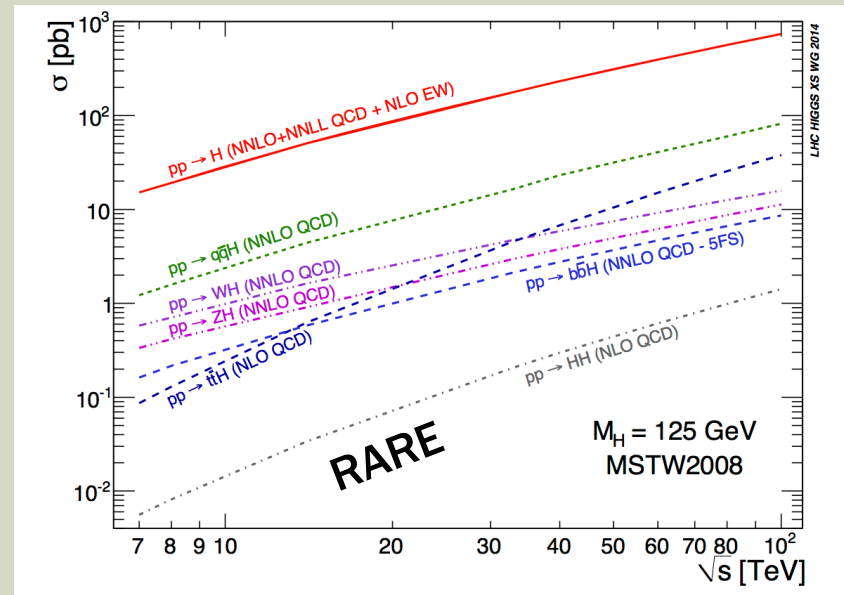
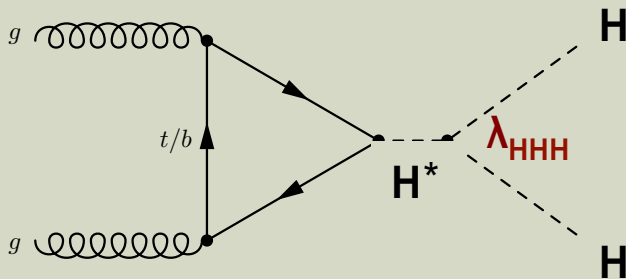
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HH → ττbb

- The Higgs self-coupling will be an important measurement for Run 2 or 3 that will allow for reconstruction of the Higgs potential.



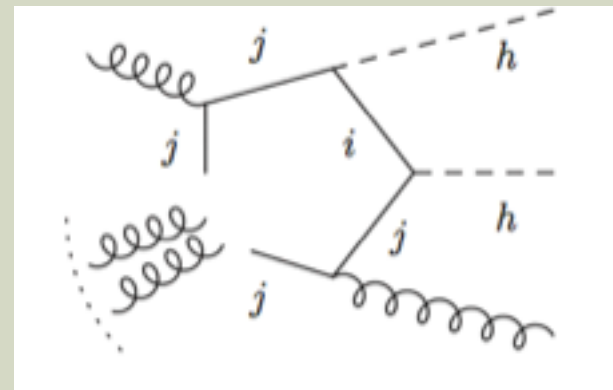
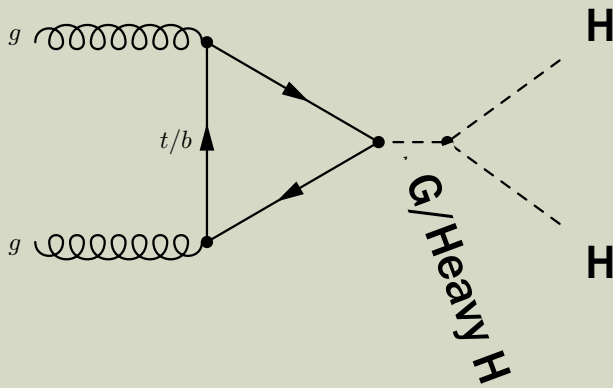
Triple Higgs Coupling

$$\lambda_{HHH} = 6\eta v = \frac{3m_H^2}{v}$$

Known values

HH → ττbb

- Higgs Pair production is also sensitive to a range of BSM models.



Non-resonant. theories modifying hhtt; composite Higgs, 4th generation models

Resonant enhancement:

- SUSY, $H \rightarrow hh$
- E-dim, $G \rightarrow hh \rightarrow 4b$ [Gouzevitch et al. 1303.6636]
- Higgs portal [No, Ramsey-Musolf 1310.6035]

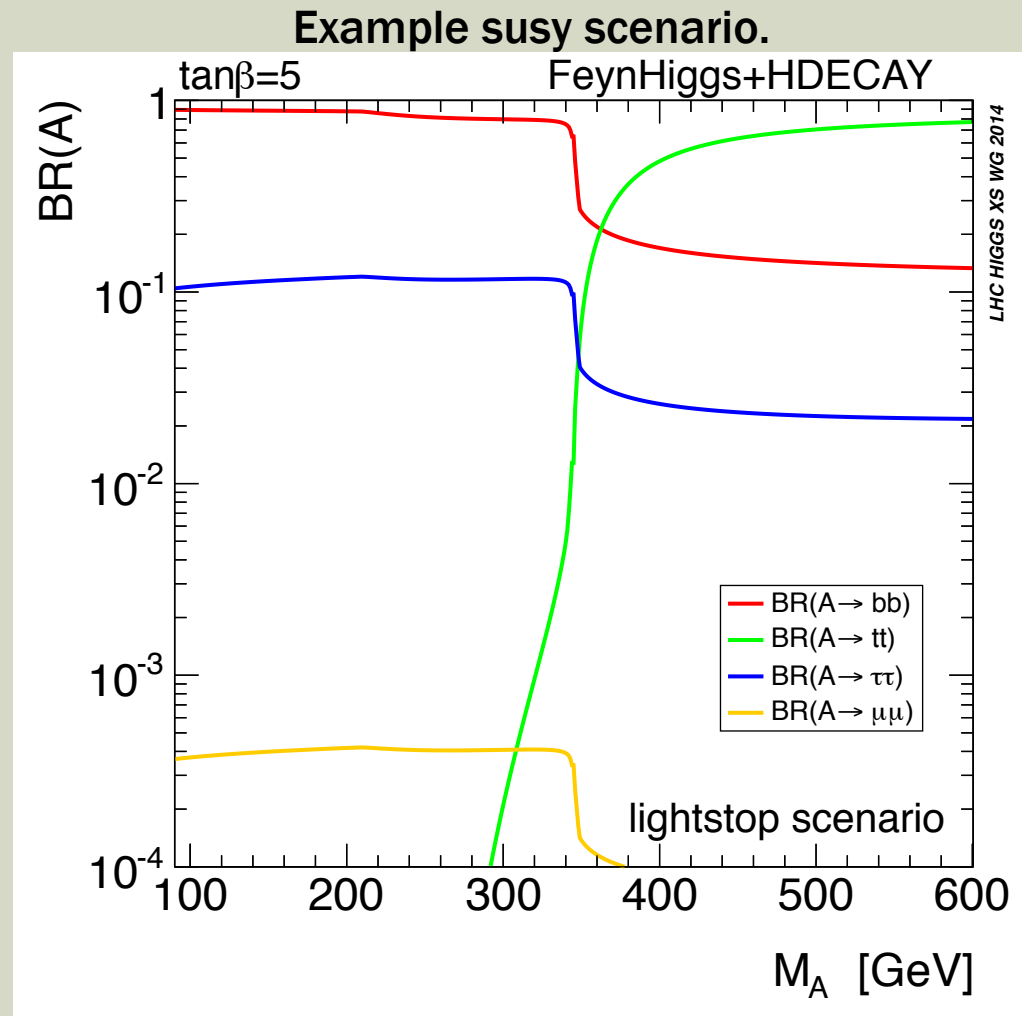
MSSM / NMSSM models: mixing effects due to presence of second Higgs doublet can generate 15% to 25% deviations from the Standard Model of λ_{HHH} .

Searches have begun in $bbbb$, $bb\gamma\gamma$, $bb\tau\tau$ channel.

The $\tau\tau bb$ is sensitive to a wide mass range compared to the other channels

SUPERSYMMETRY SEARCHES

- In many supersymmetric models Higgs has a high branching ratio
- Active Run 2 searches include:
 - $A/H \rightarrow \tau\tau$
 - nMSSM $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow \mu\mu\tau\tau$;
 - $A \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow bbt\tau$
 - $H \rightarrow \tau\mu$
(Lepton Flavor Violation)



SUMMARY

- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ seen at ATLAS and CMS in Run 1.
- New LHC combination gives 5.5σ observation of $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$
- Lots ahead in Run 2
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ will be the best direct measurement of the Higgs to fermion coupling
- Unique CP measurement opportunities
- Lots of places to look for BSM physics

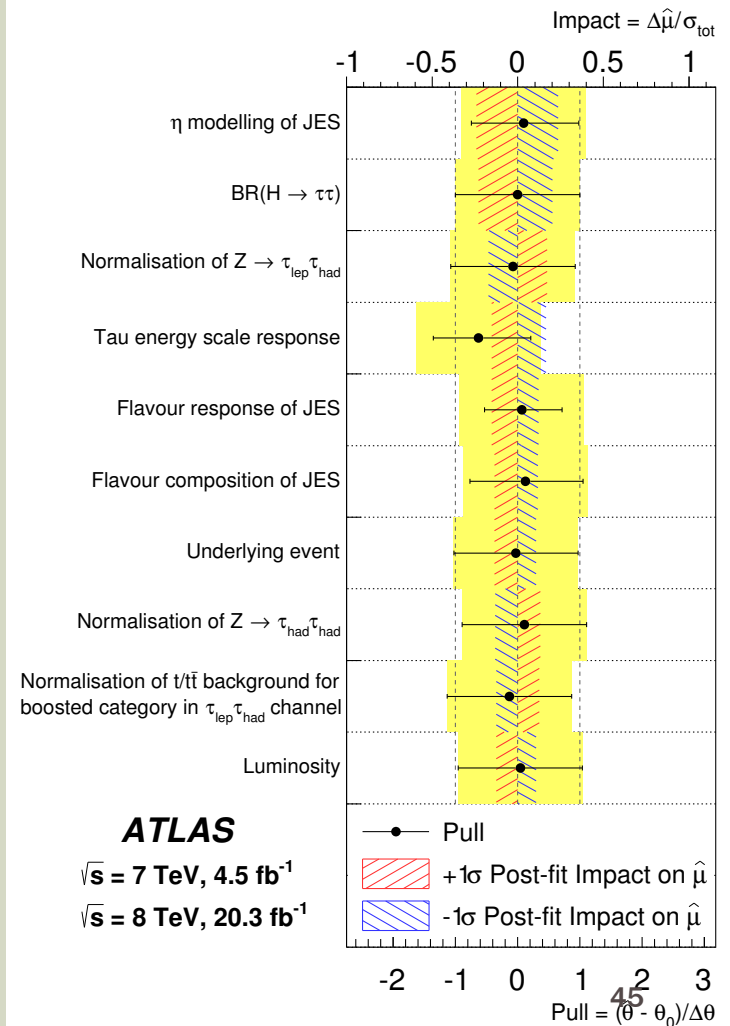
BACKUP

LEADING SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES

- Determination of Tau Energy Scale
- Normalization of backgrounds
- Theory uncertainties: modeling of underlying event and parton showering

$$\text{Signal strength } \mu = \frac{\sigma_{\text{measured}}}{\sigma_{SM}}$$

Source of Uncertainty	Uncertainty on μ
Signal region statistics (data)	+0.27 -0.26
Jet energy scale	± 0.13
Tau energy scale	± 0.07
Tau identification	± 0.06
Background normalisation	± 0.12
Background estimate stat.	± 0.10
BR ($H \rightarrow \tau\tau$)	± 0.08
Parton shower/Underlying event	± 0.04
PDF	± 0.03
Total sys.	+0.33 -0.26
Total	+0.43 -0.37



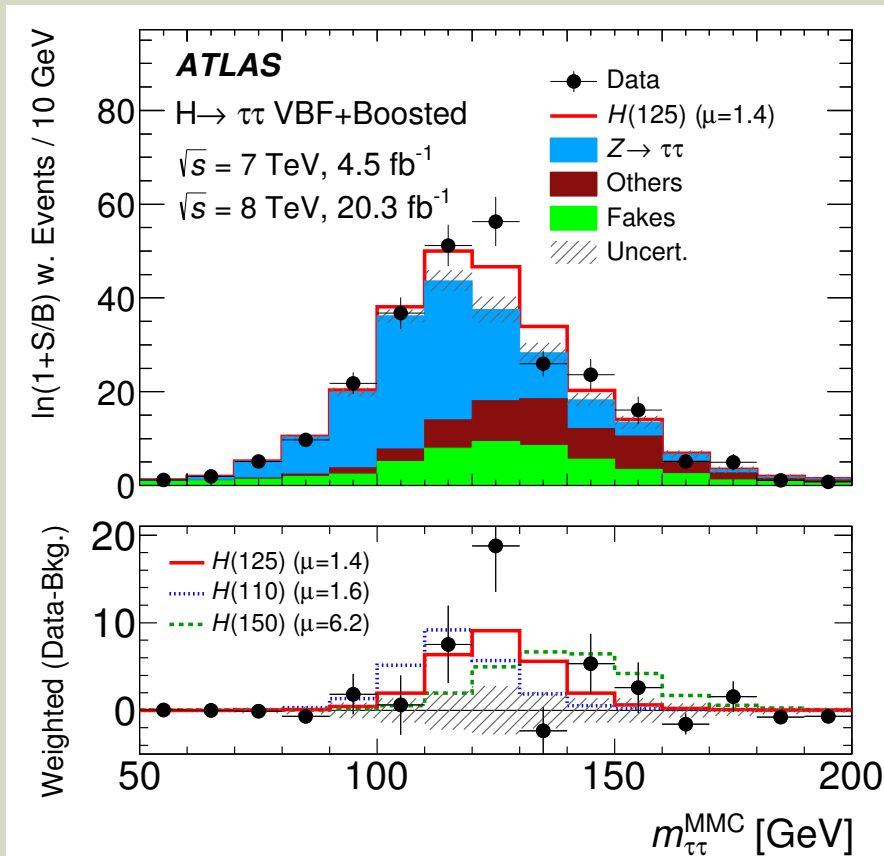
SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES

Source	Relative signal and background variations [%]											
	$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{lep}}$ VBF		$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{lep}}$ Boosted		$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ VBF		$\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ Boosted		$\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ VBF		$\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$ Boosted	
	<i>S</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>B</i>
Experimental												
Luminosity	± 2.8	± 0.1	± 2.8	± 0.1	± 2.8	± 0.1	± 2.8	± 0.1	± 2.8	± 0.1	± 2.8	± 0.1
Tau trigger*	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	+7.7 –8.8	< 0.1	+7.8 –8.9	< 0.1
Tau identification	–	–	–	–	± 3.3	± 1.2	± 3.3	± 1.8	± 6.6	± 3.8	± 6.6	± 5.1
Lepton ident. and trigger*	+1.4 –2.1	+1.3 –1.7	+1.4 –2.1	+1.1 –1.5	± 1.8	± 0.5	± 1.8	± 0.8	–	–	–	–
<i>b</i> -tagging	± 1.3	± 1.6	± 1.6	± 1.6	< 0.1	± 0.2	± 0.4	± 0.2	–	–	–	–
τ energy scale†	–	–	–	–	± 2.4	± 1.3	± 2.4	± 0.9	± 2.9	± 2.5	± 2.9	± 2.5
Jet energy scale and resolution†	+8.5 –9.1	± 9.2	+4.7 –4.9	+3.7 –3.0	+9.5 –8.7	± 1.0	± 3.9	± 0.4	+10.1 –8.0	± 0.3	+5.1 –6.2	± 0.2
E_T^{miss} soft scale & resolution	+0.0 –0.2	+0.0 –1.2	+0.0 –0.1	+0.0 –1.2	+0.8 –0.3	± 0.2	± 0.4	< 0.1	± 0.5	± 0.2	± 0.1	< 0.1
Background Model												
Modelling of fake backgrounds*†	–	± 1.2	–	± 1.2	–	± 2.6	–	± 2.6	–	± 5.2	–	± 0.6
Embedding†	–	+3.8 –4.3	–	+6.0 –6.5	–	± 1.5	–	± 1.2	–	± 2.2	–	± 3.3
$Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$ normalisation*	–	± 2.1	–	± 0.7	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Theoretical												
Higher-order QCD corrections †	+11.3 –9.1	± 0.2	+19.8 –15.3	± 0.2	+9.7 –7.6	± 0.2	+19.3 –14.7	± 0.2	+10.7 –8.2	< 0.1	+20.3 –15.4	< 0.1
UE/PS	± 1.8	< 0.1	± 5.9	< 0.1	± 3.8	< 0.1	± 2.9	< 0.1	± 4.6	< 0.1	± 3.8	< 0.1
Generator modelling	± 2.3	< 0.1	± 1.2	< 0.1	± 2.7	< 0.1	± 1.3	< 0.1	± 2.4	< 0.1	± 1.2	< 0.1
EW corrections	± 1.1	< 0.1	± 0.4	< 0.1	± 1.3	< 0.1	± 0.4	< 0.1	± 1.1	< 0.1	± 0.4	< 0.1
PDF †	+4.5 –5.8	± 0.3	+6.2 –8.0	± 0.2	+3.9 –3.6	± 0.2	+6.6 –6.1	± 0.2	+4.3 –4.0	± 0.2	+6.3 –5.8	± 0.1
BR ($H \rightarrow \tau\tau$)	± 5.7	–	± 5.7	–	± 5.7	–	± 5.7	–	± 5.7	–	± 5.7	–

MC SAMPLES

Signal ($m_H = 125$ GeV)	MC generator	$\sigma \times \text{BR}$ [pb] $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV
ggF, $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	POWHEG [36–39] + PYTHIA8 [40]	1.22 NNLO+NNLL [42–47, 78]
VBF, $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	POWHEG + PYTHIA8	0.100 (N)NLO [51–53, 78]
WH , $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	PYTHIA8	0.0445 NNLO [56, 78]
ZH , $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	PYTHIA8	0.0262 NNLO [56, 78]
Background	MC generator	$\sigma \times \text{BR}$ [pb] $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV
$W(\rightarrow l\nu)$, ($l = e, \mu, \tau$)	ALPGEN [71]+PYTHIA8	36800 NNLO [79, 80]
$Z/\gamma^*(\rightarrow \ell\ell)$, $60 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 2 \text{ TeV}$	ALPGEN+PYTHIA8	3910 NNLO [79, 80]
$Z/\gamma^*(\rightarrow \ell\ell)$, $10 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 60 \text{ GeV}$	ALPGEN+HERWIG [81]	13000 NNLO [79, 80]
VBF $Z/\gamma^*(\rightarrow \ell\ell)$	SHERPA [82]	1.1 LO [82]
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG + PYTHIA8	253 [†] NNLO+NNLL [83–88]
Single top : Wt	POWHEG + PYTHIA8	22 [†] NNLO [89]
Single top : s -channel	POWHEG + PYTHIA8	5.6 [†] NNLO [90]
Single top : t -channel	AcerMC [74]+PYTHIA6 [67]	87.8 [†] NNLO [91]
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow WW$	ALPGEN+HERWIG	54 [†] NLO [92]
$gg \rightarrow WW$	GG2WW [73]+HERWIG	1.4 [†] NLO [73]
WZ, ZZ	HERWIG	30 [†] NLO [92]
$H \rightarrow WW$	same as for $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ signal	4.7 [†]

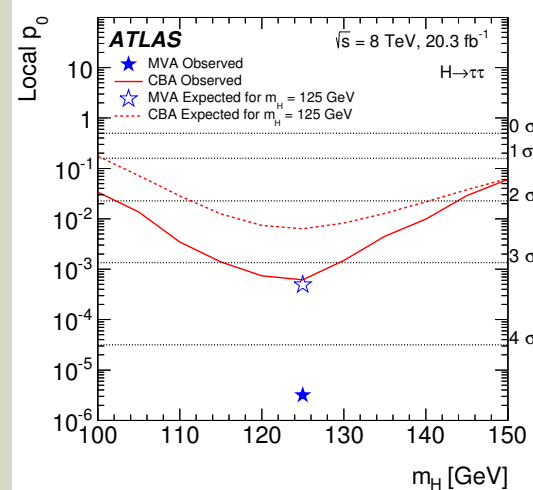
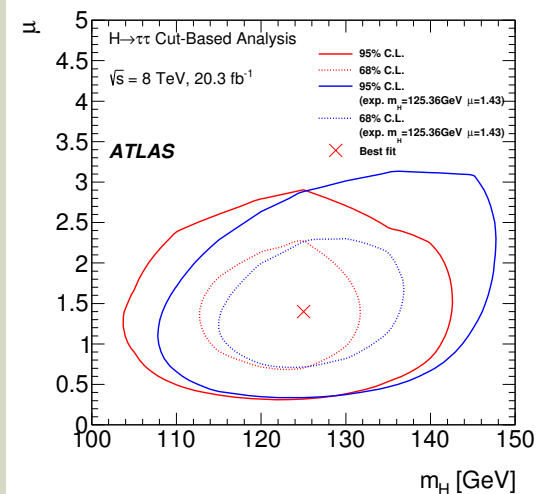
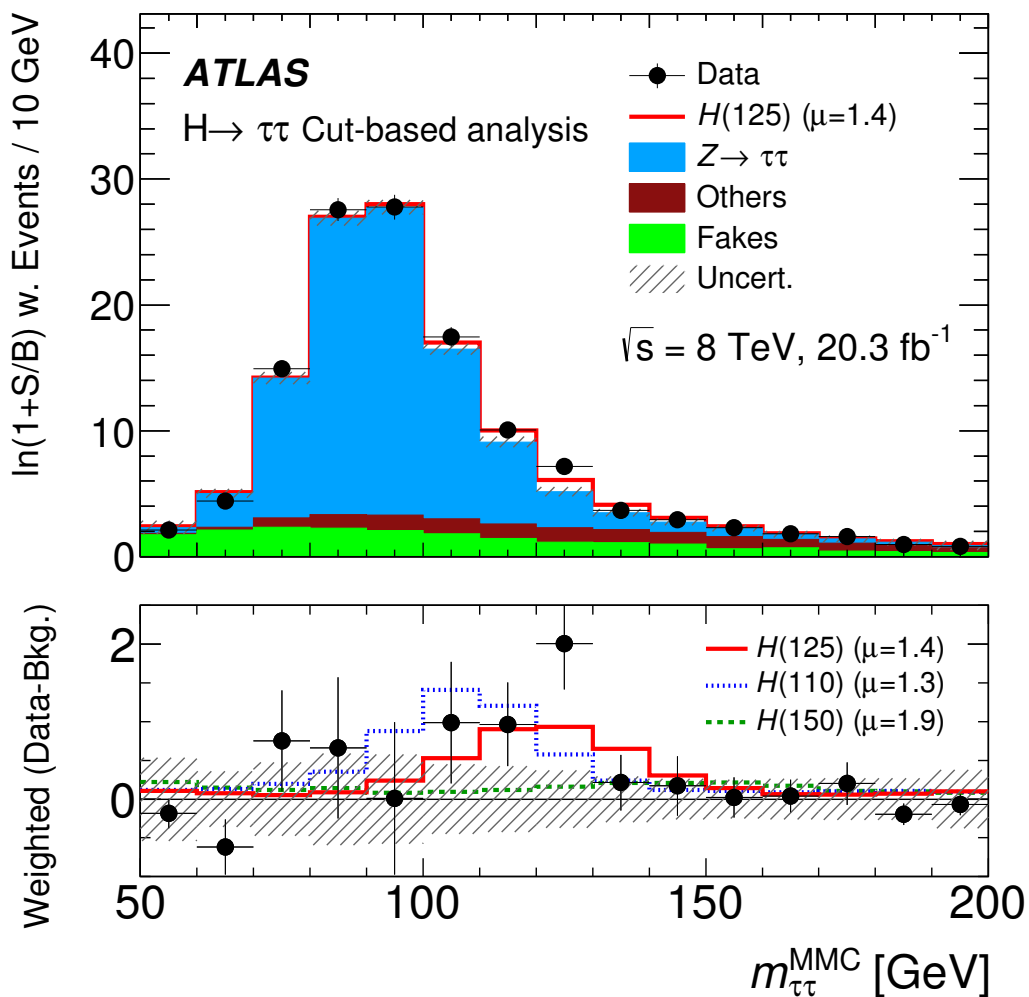
COMPATIBILITY WITH $M_H=125$ GEV



Signals at $M_H=110$, 125 and 150 GeV are shown at best fit μ ; post-fit background normalizations

- This analysis was not designed to measure the H mass. But we can look at how well the excess matches various mass hypotheses
- Each event is weighted by $\ln(1+S/B)$ for corresponding bin in BDT-score
- Excess of data events is consistent with presence of Higgs at 125 GeV

CUT-BASED CROSS CHECK



YIELDS FOR TOP 3 BDT BINS

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Process/Category	VBF			Boosted		
	BDT output bin	All bins	Second to last bin	Last bin	All bins	Second to last bin
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	589 ± 24	9.7 ± 1.0	1.99 ± 0.34	2190 ± 80	33.7 ± 2.3	11.3 ± 1.3
Fake background	57 ± 12	1.2 ± 0.6	0.55 ± 0.35	100 ± 40	2.9 ± 1.3	0.6 ± 0.4
Top	131 ± 19	0.9 ± 0.4	0.89 ± 0.33	380 ± 50	9.8 ± 2.1	4.3 ± 1.0
Others	196 ± 17	3.0 ± 0.4	1.7 ± 0.6	400 ± 40	8.3 ± 1.6	2.6 ± 0.7
ggF: $H \rightarrow WW$ ($m_H = 125$ GeV)	2.9 ± 0.8	0.12 ± 0.04	0.11 ± 0.04	7.7 ± 2.3	0.43 ± 0.13	0.24 ± 0.08
VBF: $H \rightarrow WW$	3.4 ± 0.4	0.40 ± 0.06	0.38 ± 0.08	1.65 ± 0.18	0.102 ± 0.017	< 0.1
$WH : H \rightarrow WW$	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	0.90 ± 0.10	< 0.1	< 0.1
$ZH : H \rightarrow WW$	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1	0.59 ± 0.07	< 0.1	< 0.1
ggF: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ($m_H = 125$ GeV)	9.8 ± 3.4	0.73 ± 0.26	0.35 ± 0.14	21 ± 8	2.4 ± 0.9	1.3 ± 0.5
VBF: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	13.3 ± 4.0	2.7 ± 0.7	3.3 ± 0.9	5.5 ± 1.5	0.95 ± 0.26	0.49 ± 0.13
$WH : H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	0.25 ± 0.07	< 0.1	< 0.1	3.8 ± 1.0	0.44 ± 0.12	0.22 ± 0.06
$ZH : H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	0.14 ± 0.04	< 0.1	< 0.1	2.0 ± 0.5	0.21 ± 0.06	0.113 ± 0.031
Total background	980 ± 22	15.4 ± 1.8	5.6 ± 1.4	3080 ± 50	55 ± 4	19.2 ± 2.1
Total signal	24 ± 6	3.5 ± 0.9	3.6 ± 1.0	33 ± 10	4.0 ± 1.2	2.1 ± 0.6
Data	1014	16	11	3095	61	20

LepHad

Process/Category	VBF			Boosted		
	BDT output bin	All bins	Second to last bin	Last bin	All bins	Second to last bin
Fake background	1680 ± 50	8.2 ± 0.9	5.2 ± 0.7	5640 ± 160	51.0 ± 2.5	22.3 ± 1.8
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	877 ± 29	7.6 ± 0.9	4.2 ± 0.7	6210 ± 170	57.5 ± 2.8	41.1 ± 3.2
Top	82 ± 15	0.3 ± 0.4	0.5 ± 0.4	380 ± 50	12 ± 4	4.8 ± 1.5
$Z \rightarrow \ell\ell(\ell \rightarrow \tau_{\text{had}})$	54 ± 26	1.0 ± 0.7	0.30 ± 0.28	200 ± 50	13 ± 4	8.6 ± 3.5
Diboson	63 ± 11	1.0 ± 0.4	0.48 ± 0.20	430 ± 40	9.7 ± 2.2	4.7 ± 1.6
ggF: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ($m_H = 125$ GeV)	16 ± 6	1.0 ± 0.4	1.2 ± 0.6	60 ± 20	9.2 ± 3.2	10.1 ± 3.4
VBF: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	31 ± 8	4.5 ± 1.1	9.1 ± 2.2	16 ± 4	2.5 ± 0.6	2.9 ± 0.7
$WH : H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	0.6 ± 0.4	< 0.1	< 0.1	9.1 ± 2.3	1.3 ± 0.4	1.9 ± 0.5
$ZH : H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	0.16 ± 0.07	< 0.1	< 0.1	4.6 ± 1.2	0.77 ± 0.20	0.93 ± 0.24
Total background	2760 ± 40	18.1 ± 2.3	10.7 ± 2.7	12860 ± 110	143 ± 6	82 ± 6
Total signal	48 ± 12	5.5 ± 1.3	10.3 ± 2.5	89 ± 26	14 ± 4	16 ± 4
Data	2830	22	21	12952	170	92

YIELDS FOR TOP BDT BINS

HadHad

Process/Category BDT output bin	VBF			Boosted		
	All bins	Second to last bin	Last bin	All bins	Second to last bin	Last bin
Fake background	370 ± 18	2.3 ± 0.9	0.57 ± 0.29	645 ± 26	35 ± 4	0.65 ± 0.33
Others	37 ± 5	0.67 ± 0.22	< 0.1	89 ± 11	15.9 ± 2.0	0.92 ± 0.22
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	475 ± 16	0.6 ± 0.7	0.6 ± 0.4	2230 ± 70	93 ± 4	5.4 ± 1.6
ggF: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ($m_H = 125\text{GeV}$)	8.0 ± 2.7	0.67 ± 0.23	0.53 ± 0.20	21 ± 8	9.1 ± 3.3	1.6 ± 0.6
VBF: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	12.0 ± 3.1	1.8 ± 0.5	3.4 ± 0.9	6.3 ± 1.6	2.8 ± 0.7	0.52 ± 0.13
$WH : H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	0.25 ± 0.07	< 0.1	< 0.1	4.0 ± 1.1	1.9 ± 0.5	0.41 ± 0.11
$ZH : H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	0.16 ± 0.04	< 0.1	< 0.1	2.4 ± 0.6	1.13 ± 0.30	0.23 ± 0.06
Total background	883 ± 18	3.6 ± 1.3	1.2 ± 1.0	2960 ± 50	143 ± 6	7.0 ± 1.8
Total signal	20 ± 5	2.5 ± 0.6	3.9 ± 1.0	34 ± 10	15 ± 4	2.7 ± 0.8
Data	892	5	6	3020	161	10