



# Search for the SM Higgs Boson in the $VH(b\bar{b})$ Channel at the CMS Detector

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$\sim 5 \text{ fb}^{-1} @ 7 \text{ TeV}$   
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**CMS Physics Analysis  
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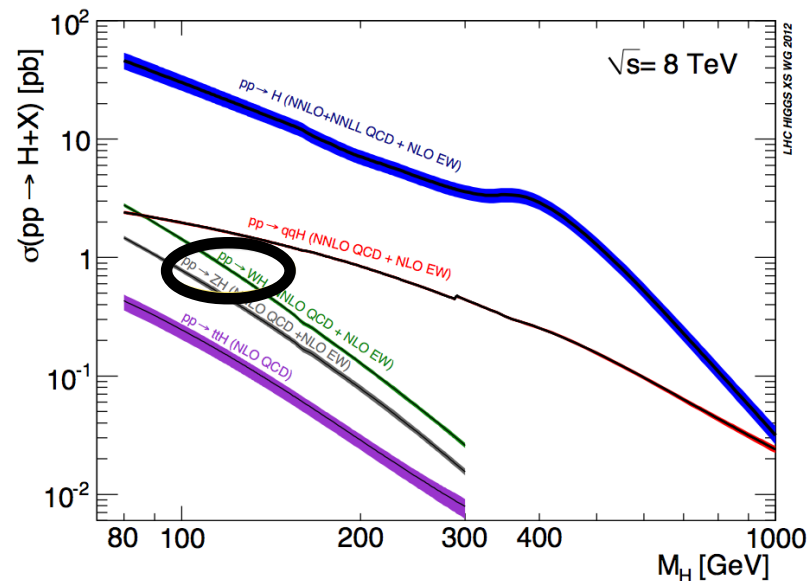
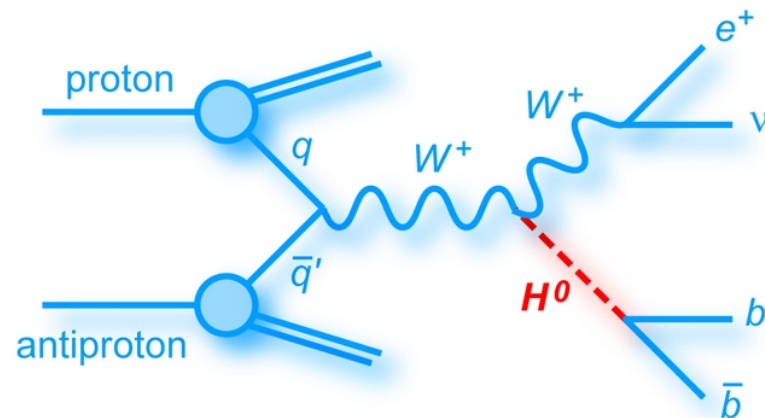
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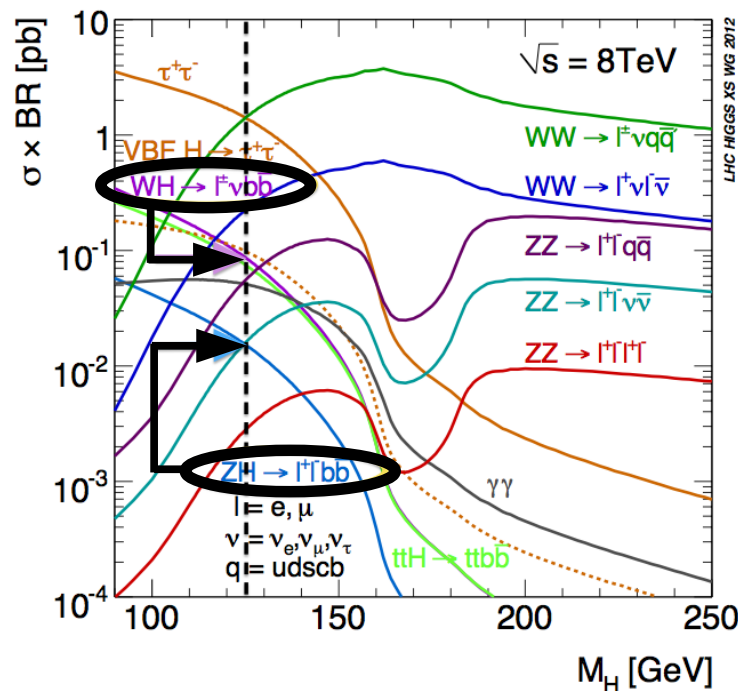
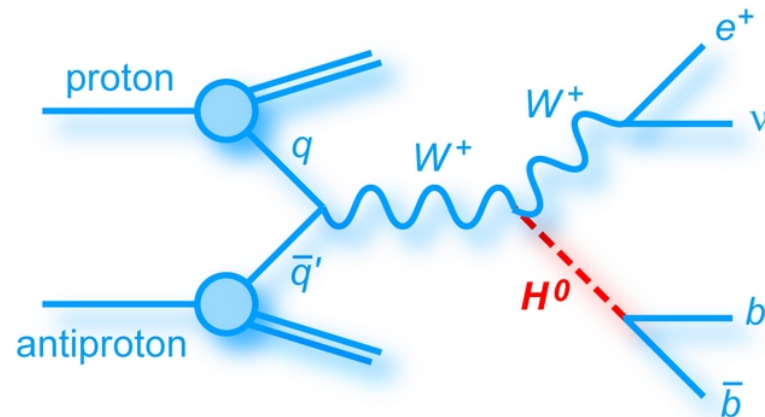
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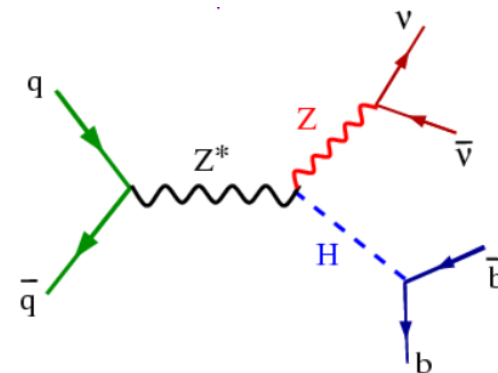
◆ Search strategy:

- **Triggers:** one/two isolated lepton(s), MHT, or MET + two jets
- **Two b-tagged jets** (corrected using b-jet energy regression)
  - AK5 jets ( $p_T > 30$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$ ) using CMS particle-flow
  - b-tagging with combined secondary vertex (CSV)
- **Boosted W/Z decaying to leptons**
  - Isolated, central leptons (or large MET)
  - $p_T(e) > 30/20$  GeV (W/Z),  $p_T(\mu) > 20$  GeV
  - $p_T(\tau) > 40$  GeV, 1-prong hadronic  $\tau$  decays

◆ Use MVA (TMVA): fit using **BDT shapes**

◆ Blind until approval in CMS Higgs group

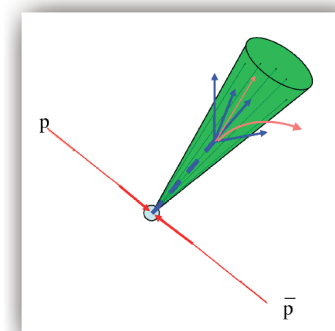
- BDT signal region blind
- $M(jj)$  window blind:  $90 \text{ GeV} < M(jj) < 150 \text{ GeV}$
- Use control regions to validate data/MC agreement



# b-jet Energy Regression

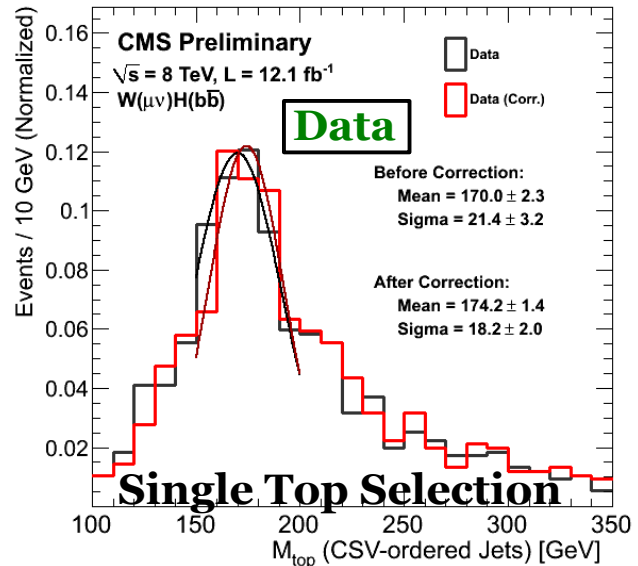
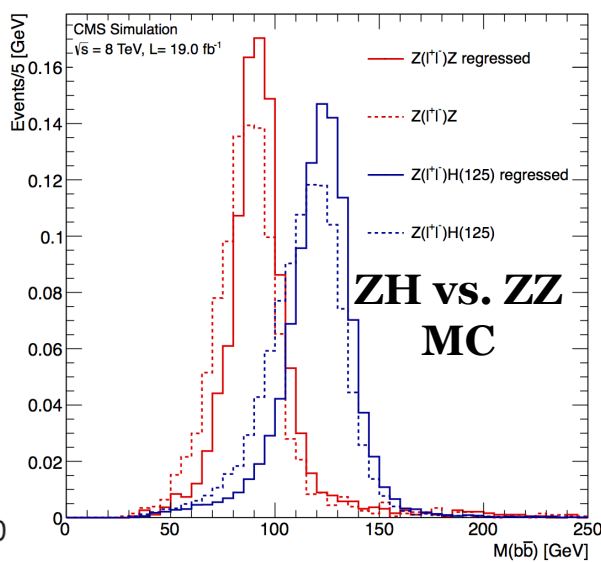
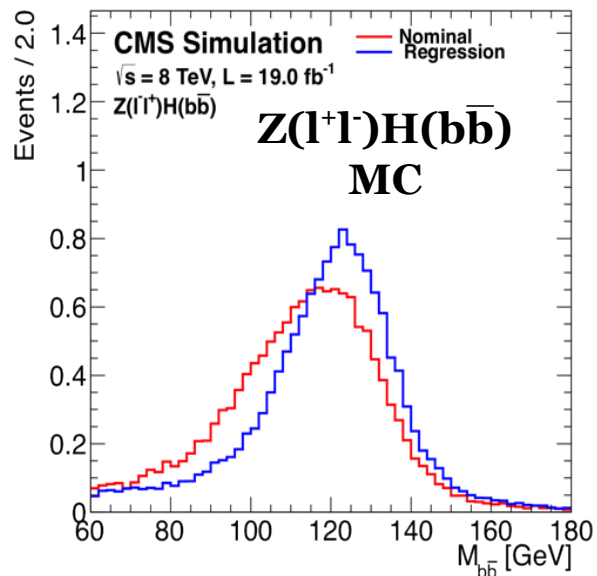
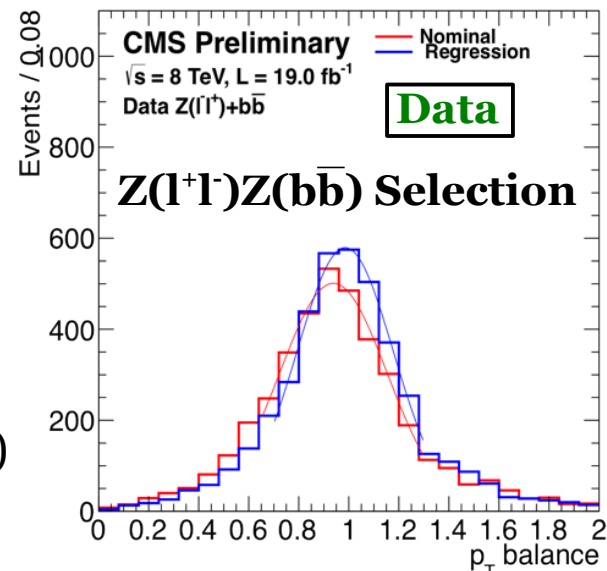
- ◆ Use dedicated b-jet energy regression on top of nominal jet corrections
- ◆ Train using VH signal MC (H b-jets), independently for each mode
- ◆ Common input variables and training parameters across modes
  - Only use MET in  $Z(l^+l^-)H(b\bar{b})$  (jet mis-measurement, not real MET)
- ◆ Also use soft lepton variables (semileptonic B decays)
  - Soft lepton must pass **loose ID cuts**

Variable Category	Variable
Jet Kinematics	$p_T, \eta, \text{raw } p_T, E_T, m_T$
Jet-related Properties	$p_T(\text{lead track}), \text{charged had. energy fraction, charged EM energy fraction, } N(\text{charged tracks}), \text{JEC uncertainty}$
Vertex	$p_T(\text{vtx}), m(\text{vtx}), L_{3D}(\text{vtx}), \Delta L_{3D}(\text{vtx})$
Soft Lepton	$p_T(\text{lep}), p_{T,\text{rel}}(\text{lep}), \Delta R(\text{jet,lep})$
$Z(l^+l^-)H(b\bar{b})$ Specific	MET, $\Delta\phi(\text{jet,MET})$



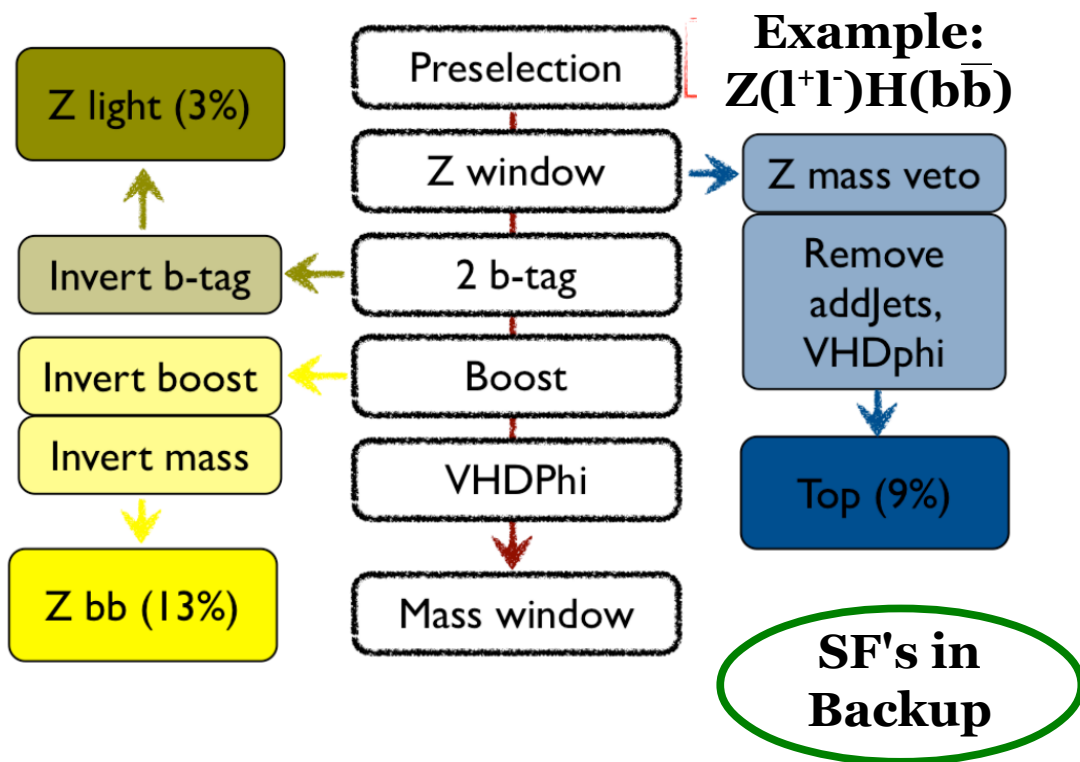
# Regression Validation

- ◆  $M(jj)$  resolution improvement:
  - **15-20%** for  $Z(l^+l^-)H(bb)$
  - **7-12%** for  $Z(\nu\nu)H(bb)$ ,  $W(l\nu)H(bb)$
- ◆ Gain of  **$\sim 15\%$**  in analysis sensitivity
- ◆ Validate regression using **data**
  - $p_T(bb)/p_T(Z)$  balance ( $Z(l^+l^-)Z(bb)$  enriched CS)
  - Top mass (single top enriched CS)



# Control Samples

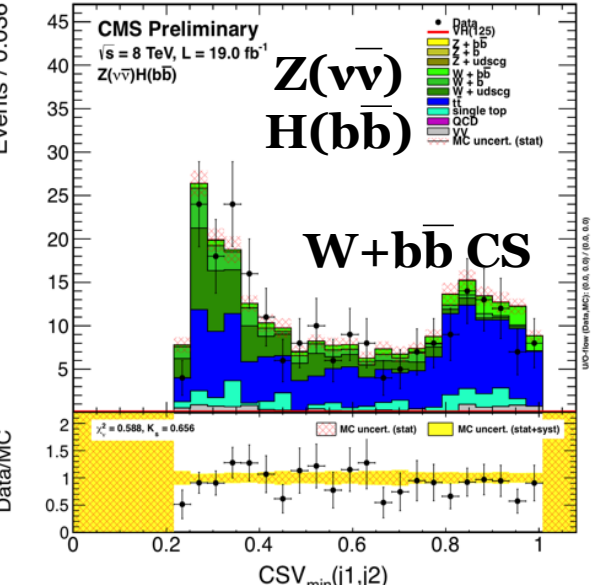
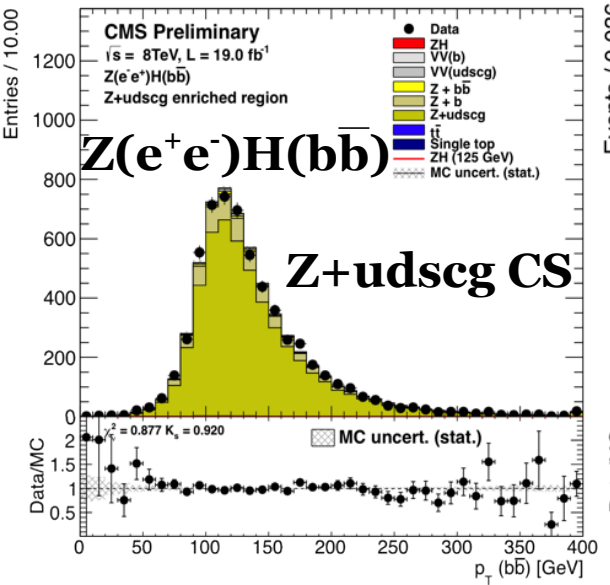
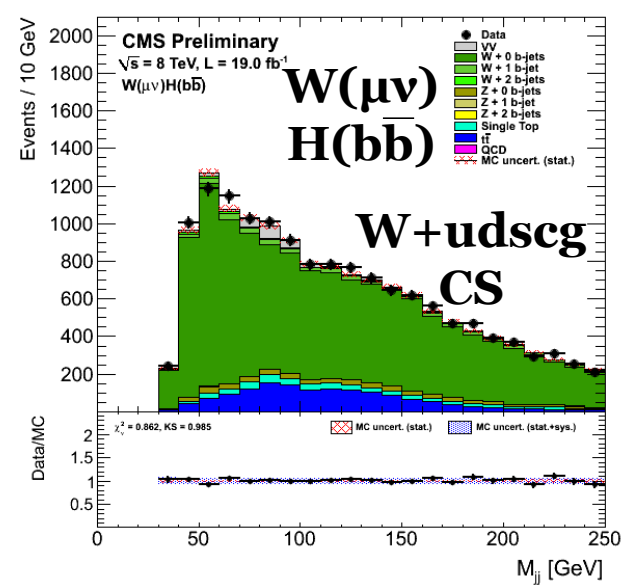
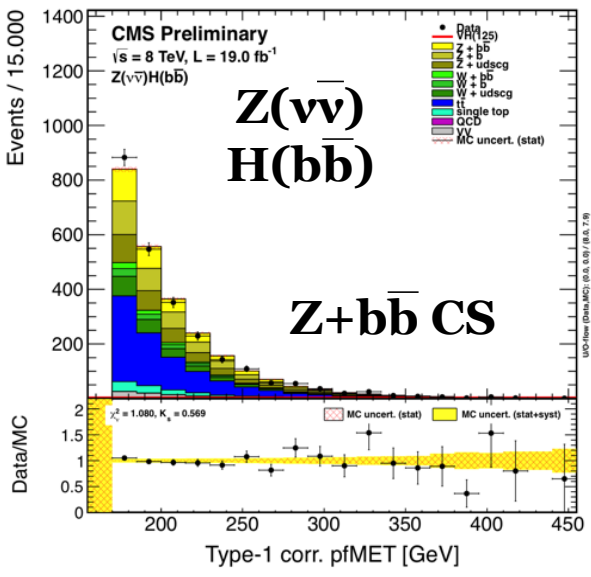
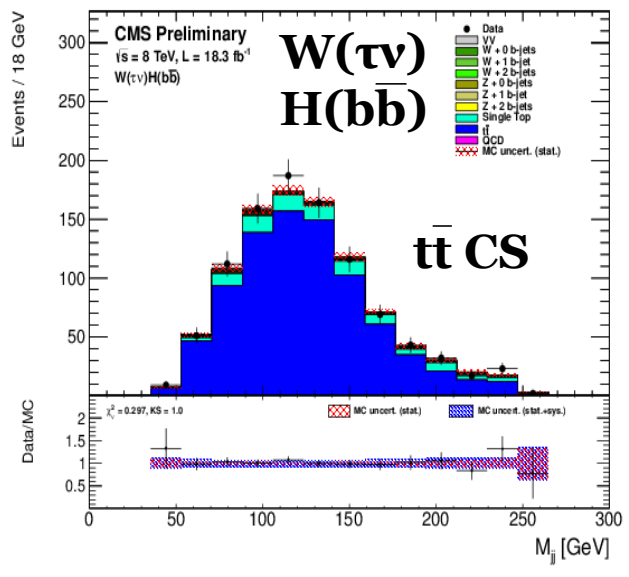
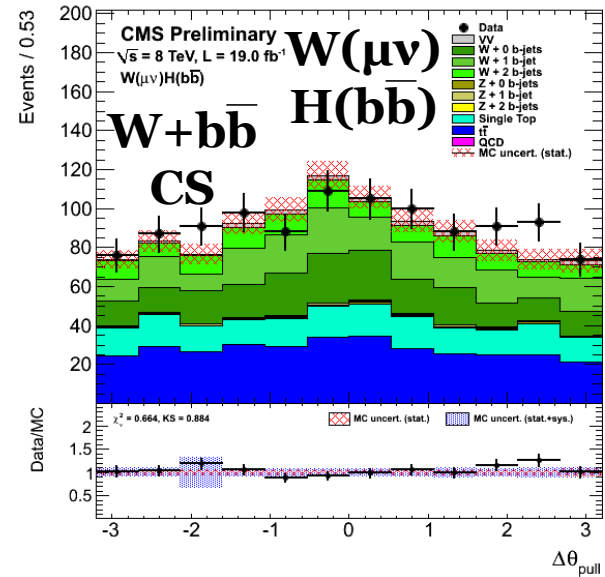
- ◆ Define control samples (CS's) to isolate and study backgrounds
- ◆ Use cuts as close as possible to signal region, but:
  - Invert some cuts to ensure orthogonality to signal region
  - Loosen some cuts to gain statistics



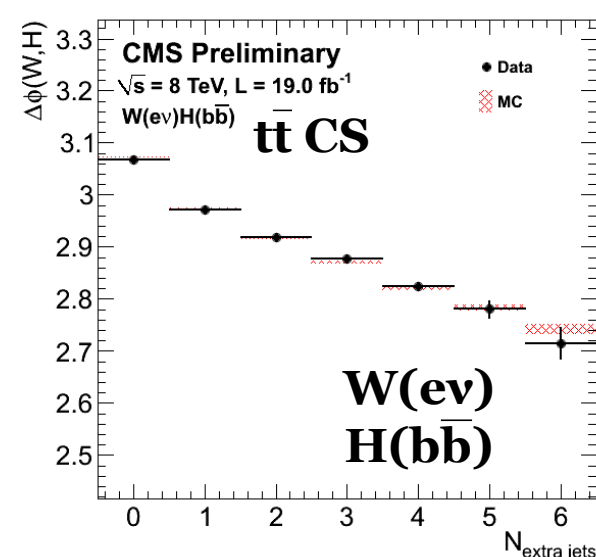
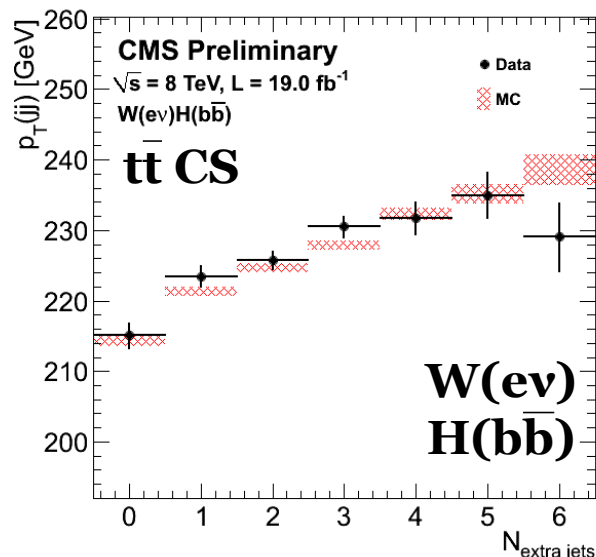
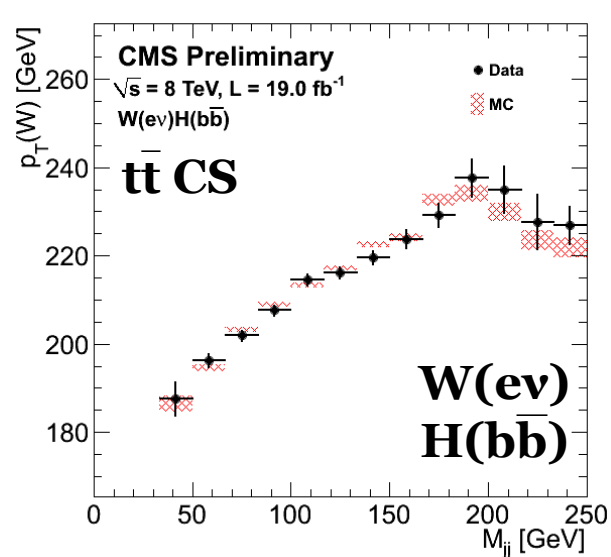
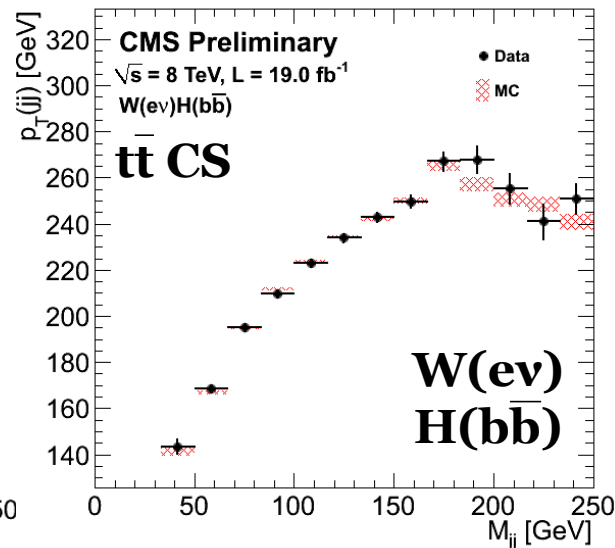
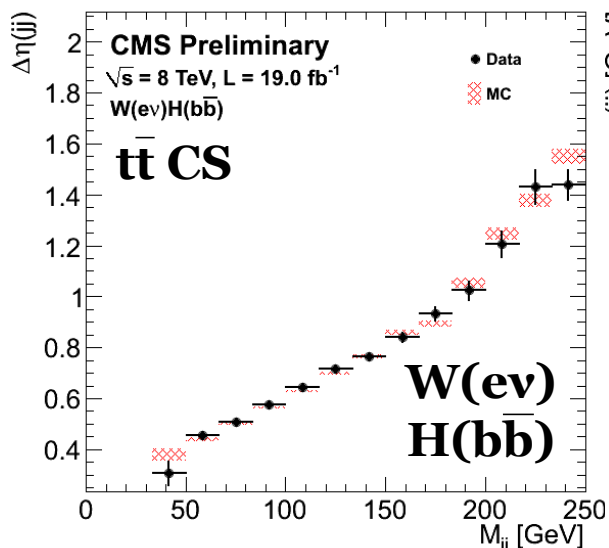
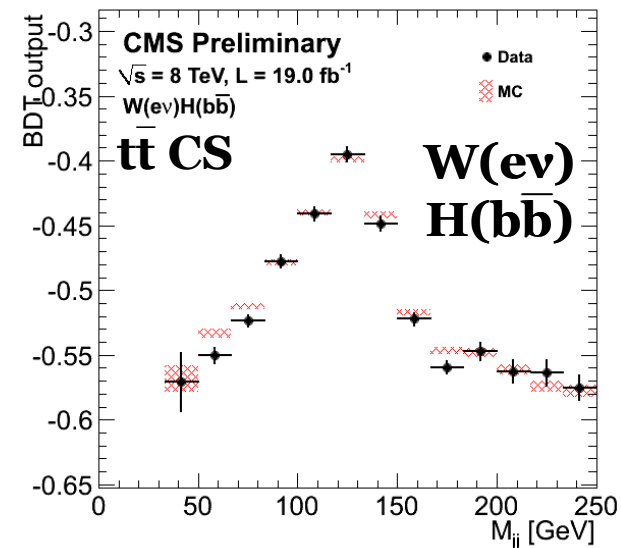
- ◆ Use to find **data/MC** scale factor (**SF**) for background yields in BDT signal region
- ◆ Three CS's:  $V+udscg$ ,  $V+b\bar{b}$ ,  $t\bar{t}$
- ◆ Perform simultaneous fit to variables in all CS's to obtain SF's



# CS Data/MC Comparison



# Correlations Check



# Signal Region Definition

- ◆ Define signal-enriched region (for BDT shape fit) orthogonal to control regions, cutting out background primarily via **boost**, **b-tagging**, and **QCD-targeted** cuts
- ◆ Three different categories per mode (see later slide), split based on  $p_T(V)$

Variable	W( $\ell\nu$ )H			W( $\tau\nu$ )H		Z( $\ell\ell$ )H			Z( $\nu\nu$ )H			
$p_T(V)$	[100 – 130]	[130 – 180]	[> 180]	[> 120]	[50 – 100]	[> 100]	[100 – 130]	[130 – 170]	[> 170]			
$m_{\ell\ell}$	-			-	[75 – 105]			-				
$p_T(j_1)$	> 30			> 30	> 20			> 60				
$p_T(j_2)$	> 30			> 30	> 20			> 30				
$p_T(jj)$	> 100			> 120	-			[> 100]	[> 130]	[> 130]		
$m(jj)$	< 250			< 250	[40 – 250]	[< 250]	< 250					
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	> 45			> 80	-			-				
$p_T(\tau)$	-			> 40	-			-				
$p_T(\text{track})$	-			> 20	-			-				
CSV <sub>max</sub>	> 0.40			> 0.40	[> 0.50]	[> 0.244]	> 0.679					
CSV <sub>min</sub>	> 0.40			> 0.40	> 0.244			> 0.244				
$N_{\text{aj}}$	-			-	-			[< 2]	[-]	[-]		
$N_{\text{al}}$	= 0			= 0	-			= 0				
$\Delta\phi(V, H)$	-			-	-			> 2.0				
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jet})$	-			-	-			[> 0.7]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.5]		
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, E_T^{\text{miss}}(\text{tracks}))$	-			-	-			< 0.5				
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ significance	-			-	-			[> 3]	[-]	[-]		
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \ell)$	< $\pi/2$			-	-			-				

- ◆ Shape analysis using BDT classification output
- ◆ Train BDT separately for different signal modes, mass points
  - But combine  $\mathbf{e}$  and  $\mathbf{\mu}$  modes for  $\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{l}\nu)\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{b}\bar{\mathbf{b}})$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{l}^+\mathbf{l}^-)\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{b}\bar{\mathbf{b}})$
- ◆ For final BDT shape fit, **reshape** BDT (binning transformation) to avoid too little background MC in any one bin

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## Variable

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$p_T(j)$ : transverse momentum of each Higgs daughter

$m(jj)$ : dijet invariant mass

$p_T(jj)$ : dijet transverse momentum

$p_T(V)$ : vector boson transverse momentum (or  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ )

$N_{\text{aj}}$ : number of additional jets

$\text{CSV}_{\text{max}}$ : value of CSV for the Higgs daughter with largest CSV value

$\text{CSV}_{\text{min}}$ : value of CSV for the Higgs daughter with second largest CSV value

$\Delta\phi(V, H)$ : azimuthal angle between  $V$  (or  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ) and dijet

$|\Delta\eta(jj)|$ : difference in  $\eta$  between Higgs daughters

$\Delta R(jj)$ : distance in  $\eta$ - $\phi$  between Higgs daughters

$\Delta\theta_{\text{pull}}$ : color pull angle [35]

$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jet})$ : azimuthal angle between  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and the closest jet (only for  $\mathbf{Z}(\nu\nu)\mathbf{H}$ )

$\text{maxCSV}_{\text{aj}}$ : maximum CSV of the additional jets in an event (only for  $\mathbf{Z}(\nu\nu)\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{W}(\ell\nu)\mathbf{H}$ )

$\text{min}\Delta R(H, \text{aj})$ : minimum distance between an additional jet and the Higgs candidate (only for  $\mathbf{Z}(\nu\nu)\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{W}(\ell\nu)\mathbf{H}$ )

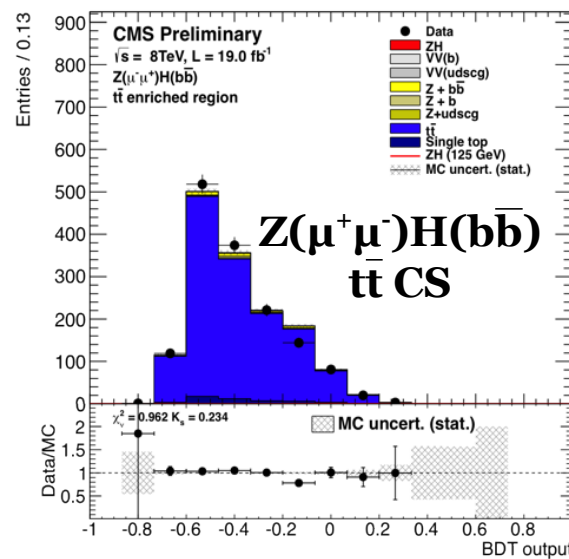
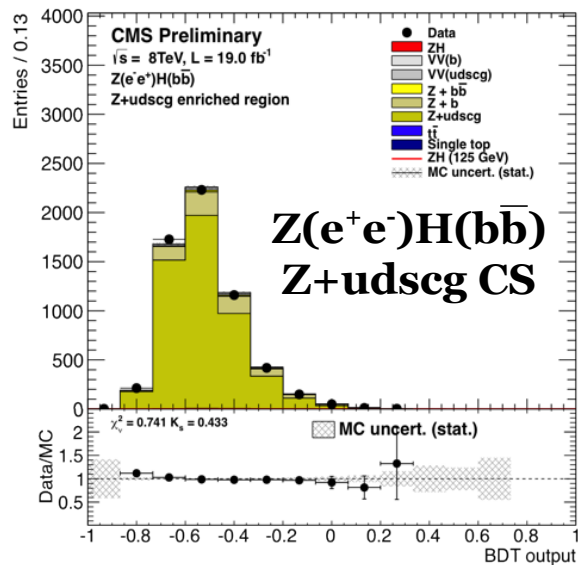
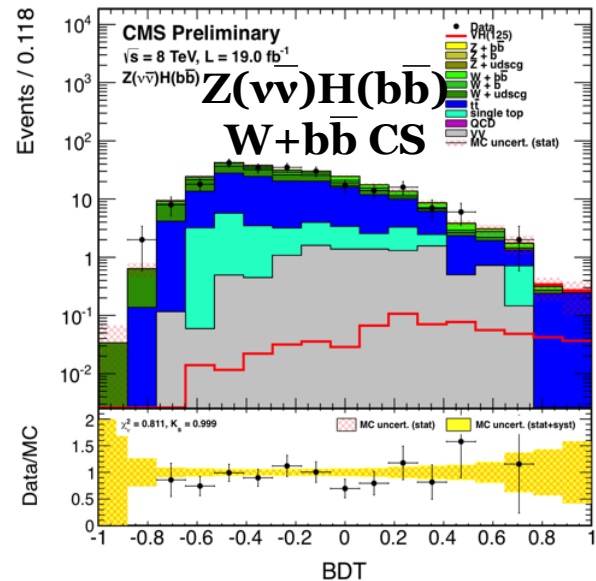
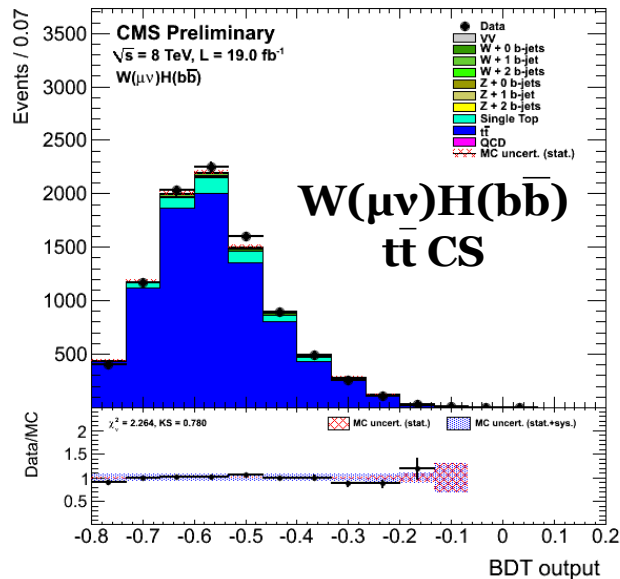
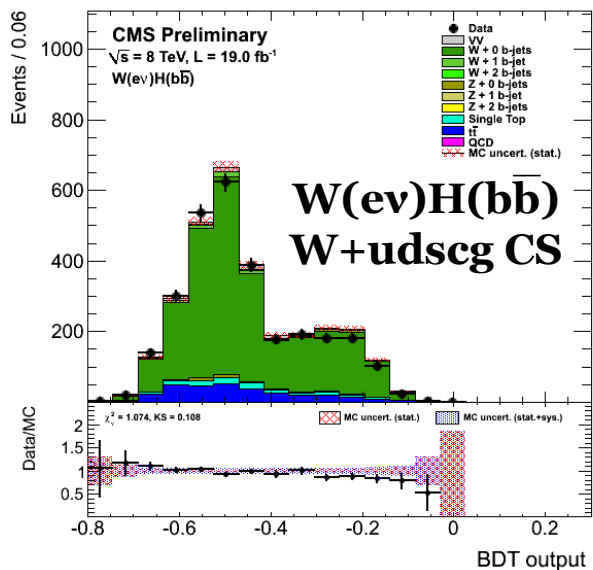
Angular variables: invariant mass of the VH system, angle Z-Z\*, angle Z-l, angle H-jet (only for  $\mathbf{Z}(\ell\ell)\mathbf{H}$ )

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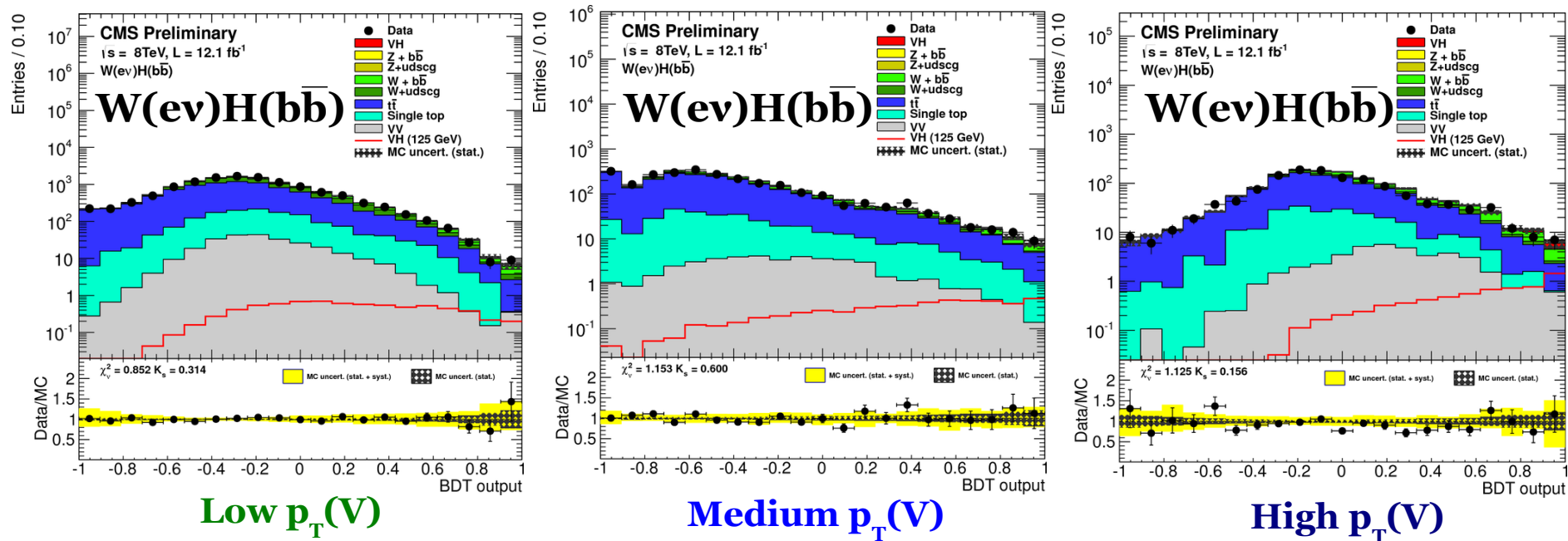


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# BDT Validation



# Event Categories



- ◆ Split events into three categories via  $p_T(V)$  to increase sensitivity
  - Only two categories for  $Z(l^+l^-)H(b\bar{b})$  – no sensitivity gain using three categories
- ◆ Example:  $W(l\nu)H(b\bar{b})$ 
  - **Low  $p_T(V)$** :  $100 \text{ GeV} < p_T(W) < 130 \text{ GeV}$
  - **Medium  $p_T(V)$** :  $130 \text{ GeV} < p_T(W) < 180 \text{ GeV}$
  - **High  $p_T(V)$** :  $p_T(W) > 180 \text{ GeV}$

# Multi-BDT Shape Analysis

- ◆ Use multiple BDT classifiers to separate signal from one background at a time (similar to **CDF**'s technique)
- ◆ Train 3 individual BDT's (targets:  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $V$ +jets,  $VV$ ) in addition to nominal "final BDT"
- ◆ Only used for  $Z(\nu\bar{\nu})H(b\bar{b})$  and  $W(l\nu)H(b\bar{b})$  modes

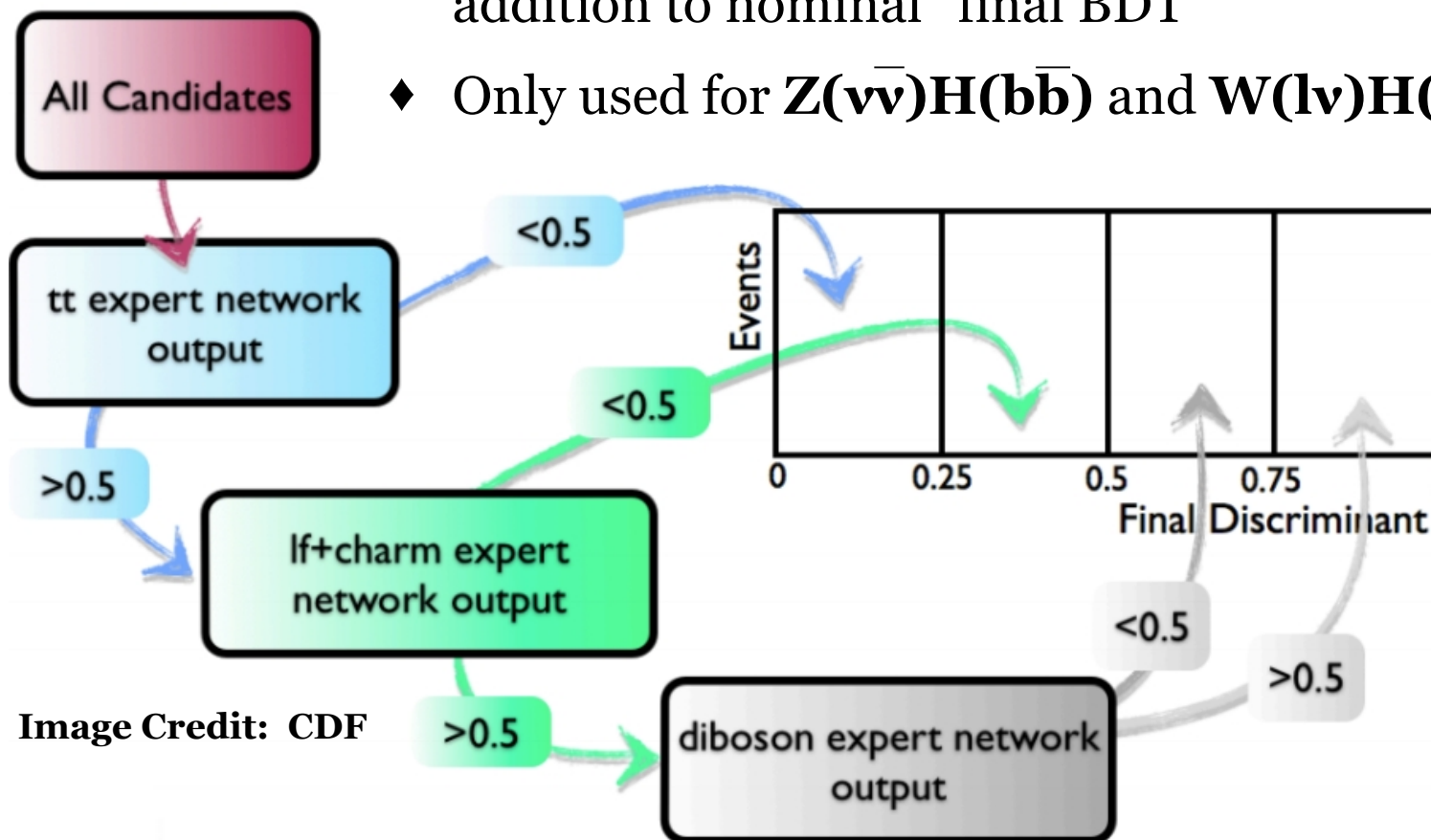
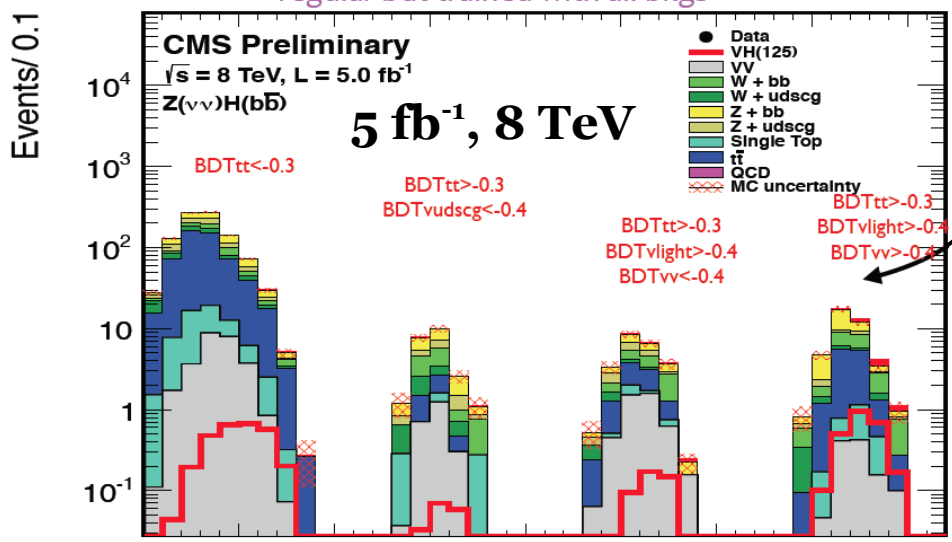


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# Multi-BDT Example

regular bdt trained with all bkgs

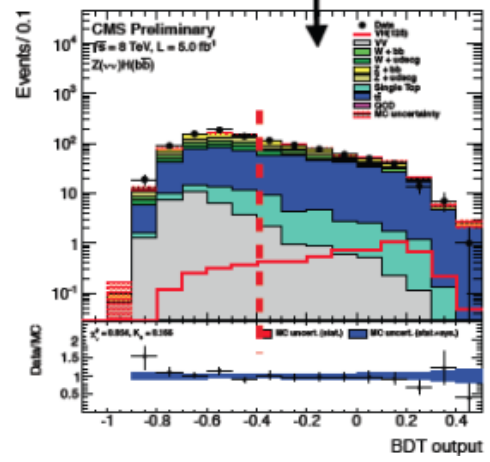
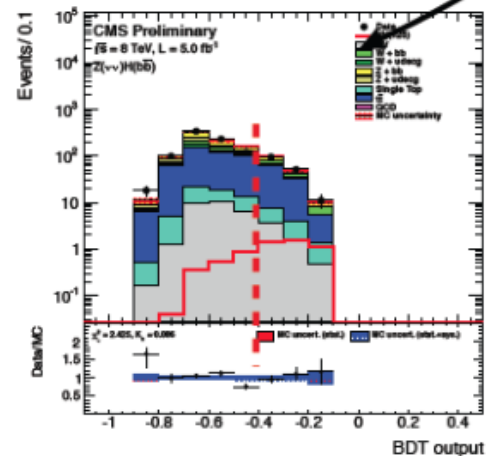
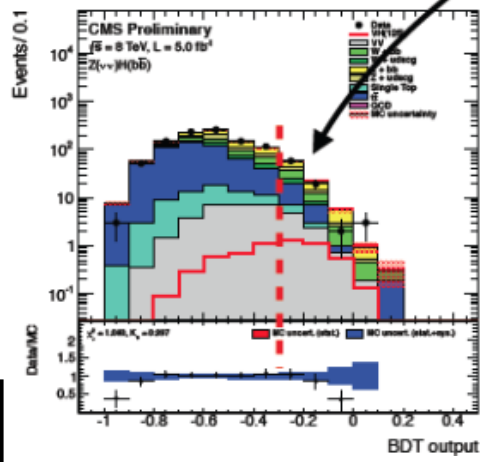


High S/B  
in last  
two bins

~10% Sensitivity  
Gain

Targeted Background	$t\bar{t}$	Vudscg	VV
4 most discriminant variables	Jet multiplicity $\Delta\Phi(j, MET)$ H.mass MinCsv	MinCsv MaxCsv H.mass Jet multiplicity	H.mass H.pt MET MinCSV

$Z(\nu\nu)H(b\bar{b})$



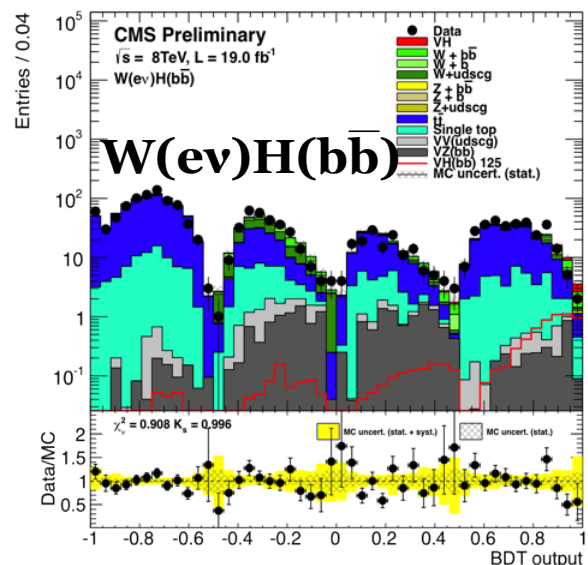
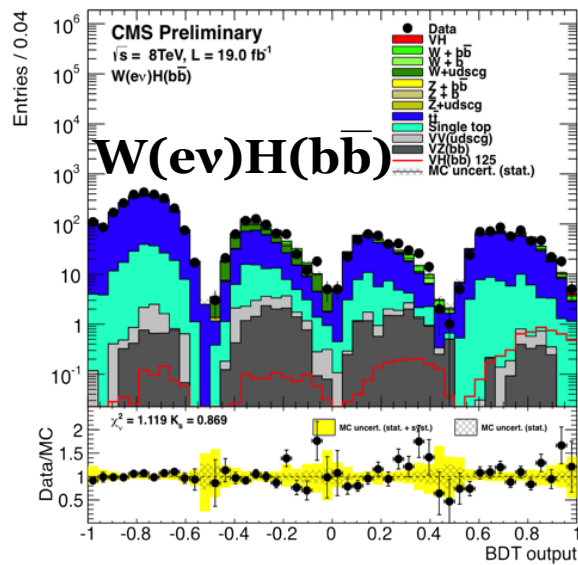
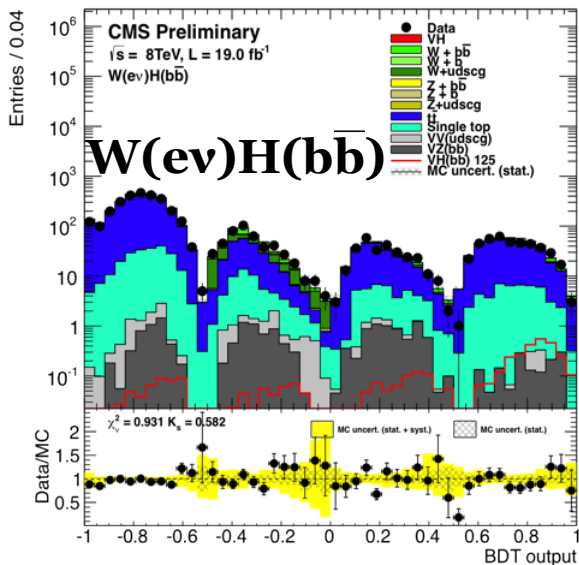
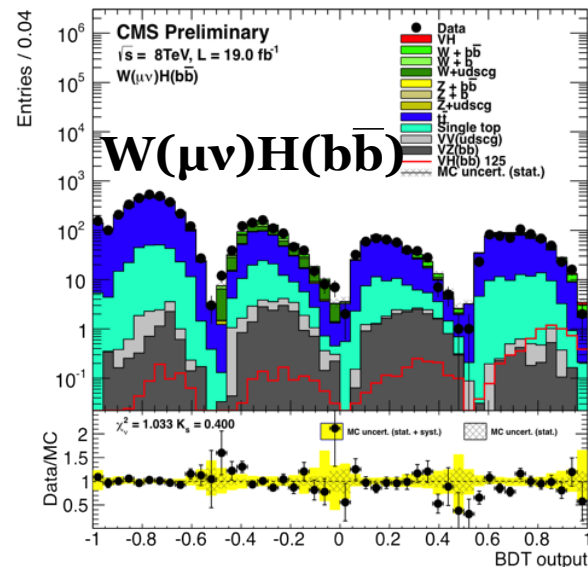
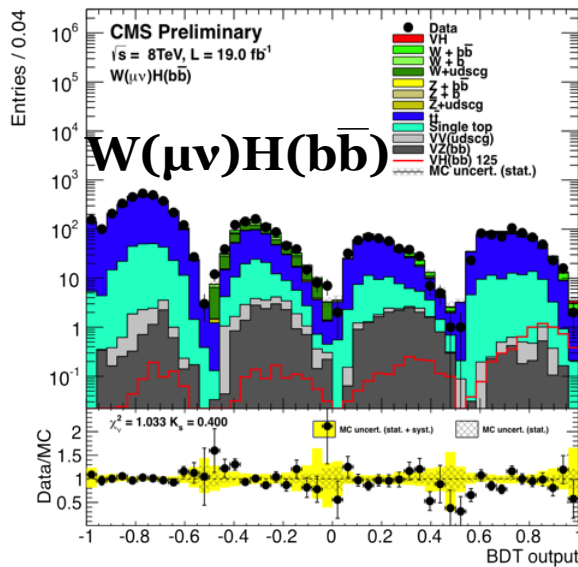
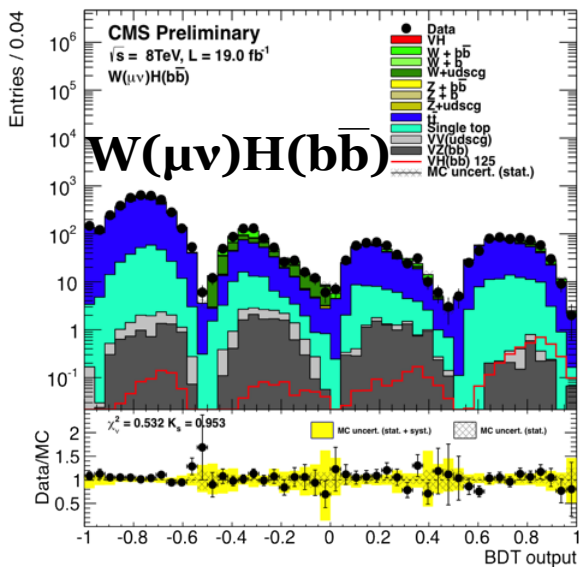


# Post-fit BDT Plots

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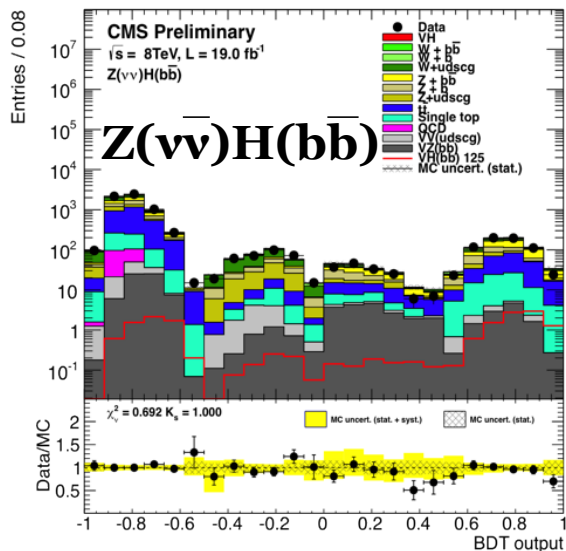
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High  $p_T(V)$

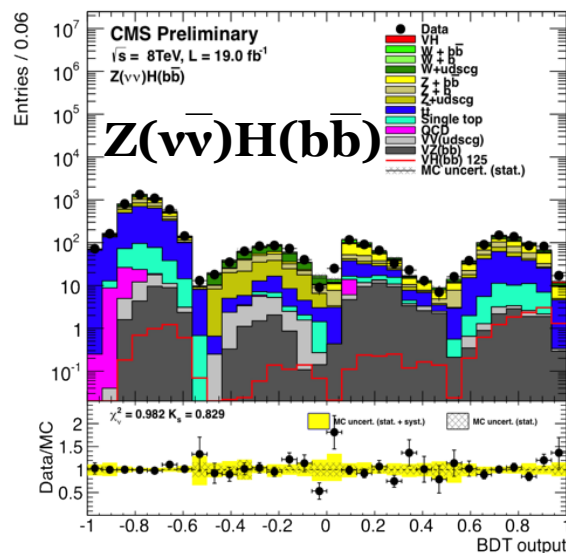


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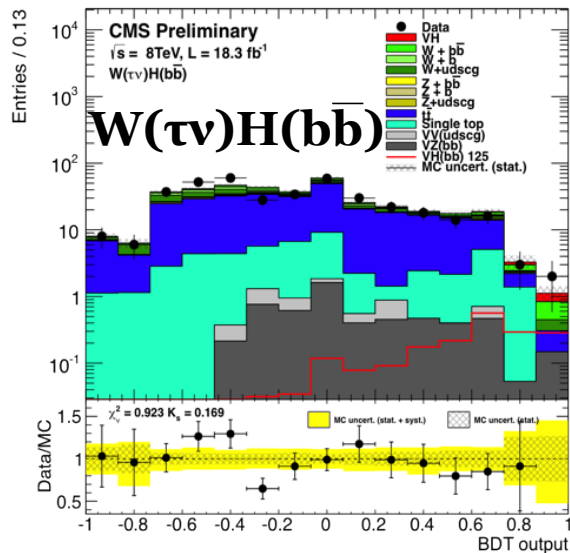
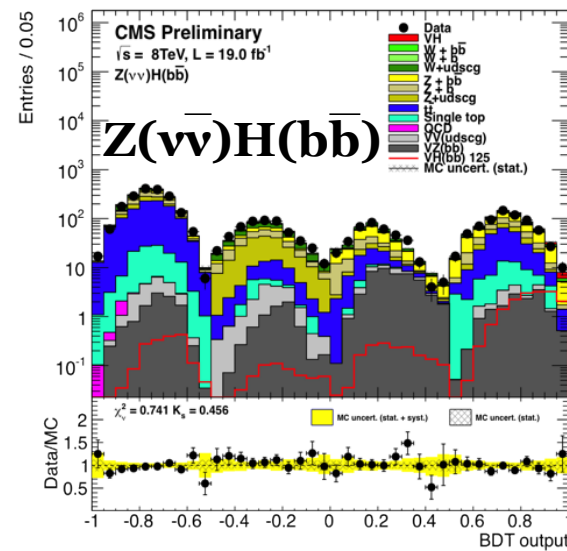
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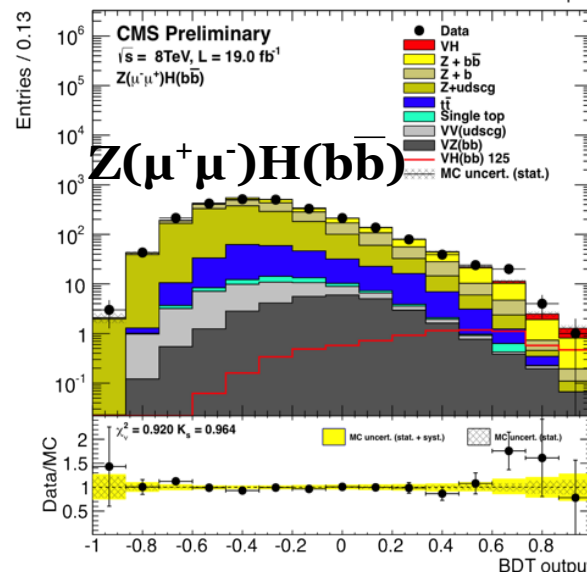
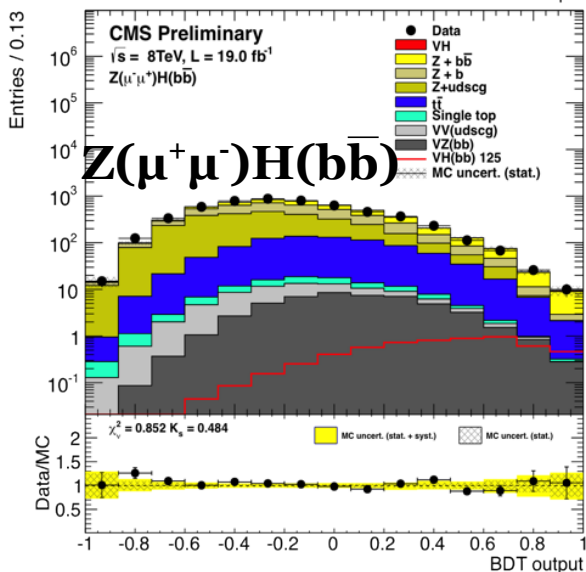
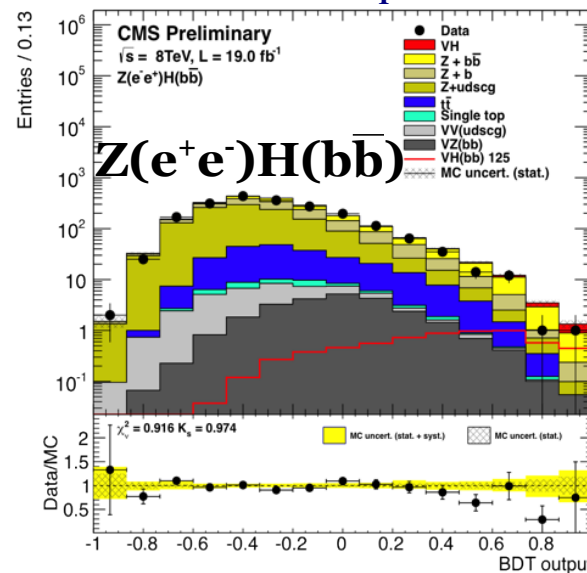
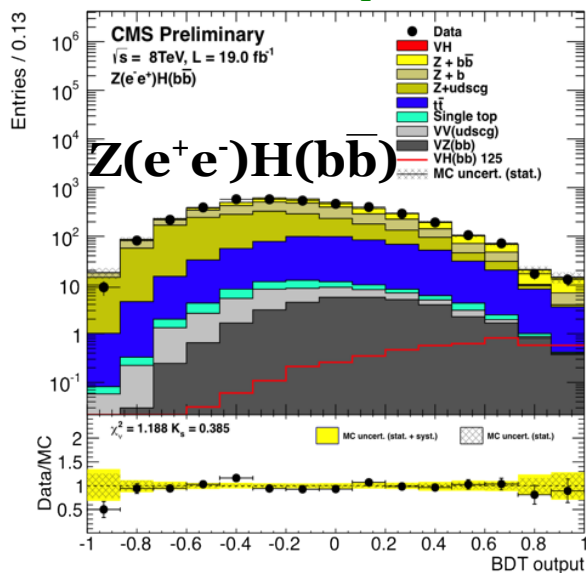
**Only One Category for  $W(\tau\nu)H(b\bar{b})$  (120+ GeV)**



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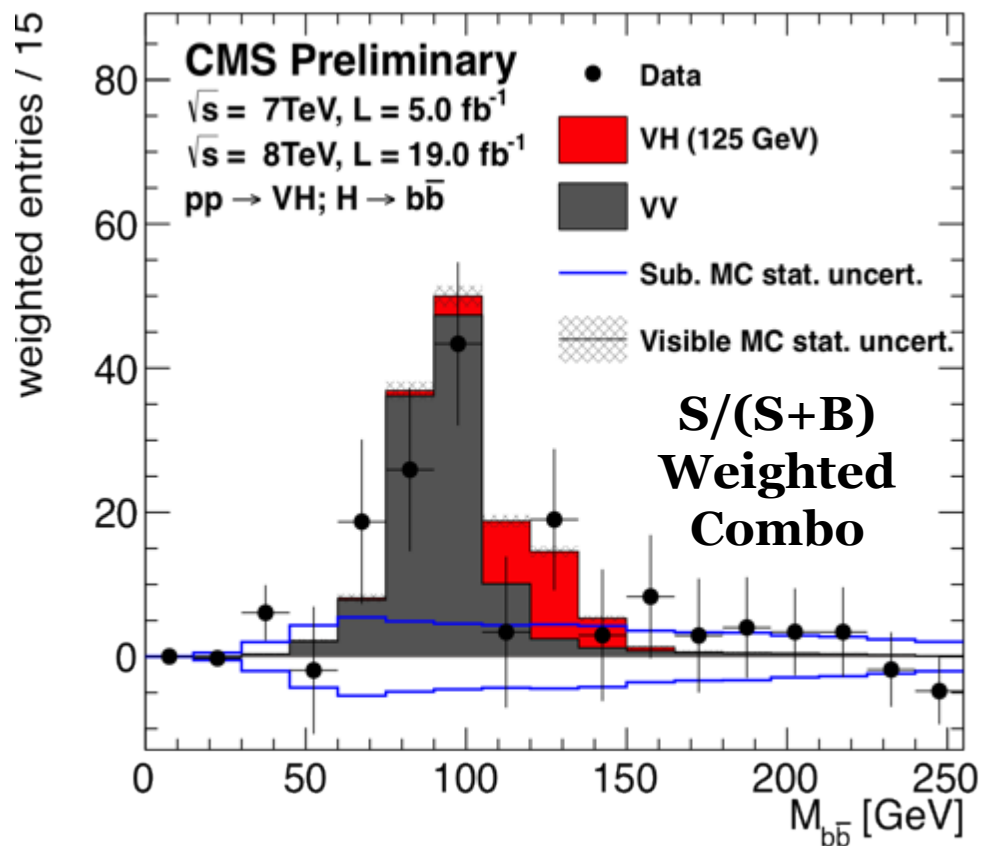
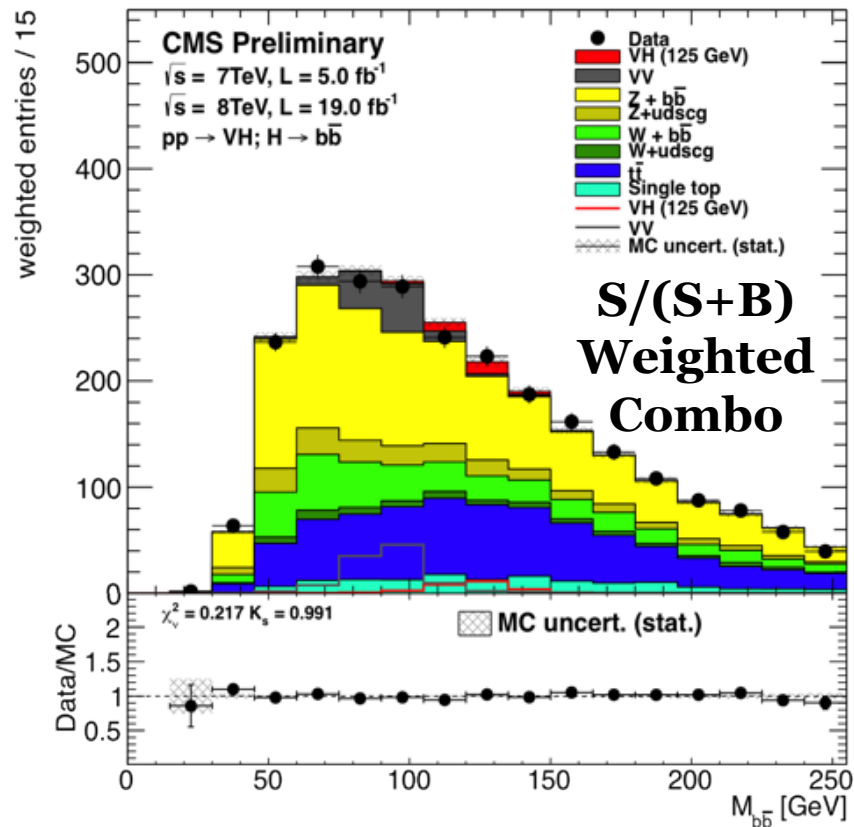
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- ◆ Use up/down **shape** systematics for MC BDT shapes in fit, obtained via propagation of mis-tag, b-tag, JES, JER, and PU uncertainties
- ◆ **Normalization** systematics for other contributions (including uncertainty on data/MC scale factors for background estimation)

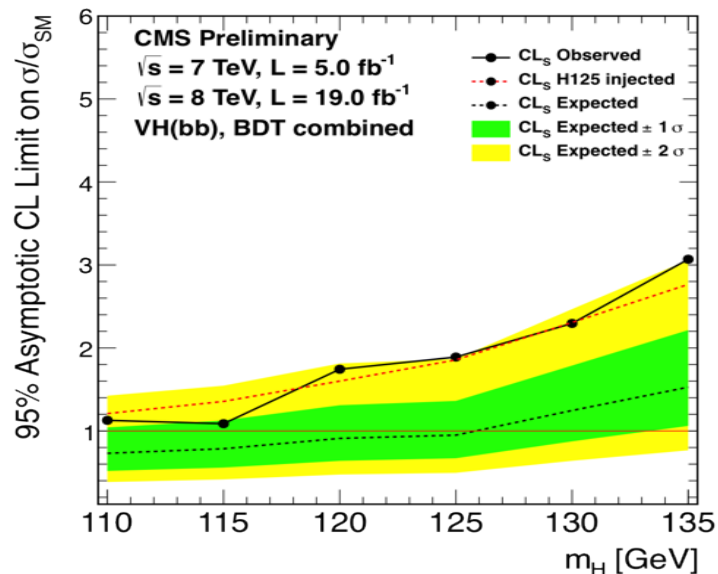
Source	Type	Yield uncertainty (%) range	Individual contribution to $\mu$ uncertainty (%)	Effect of removal on $\mu$ uncertainty (%)
Luminosity	norm.	2.2–4.4	< 2	< 0.1
Lepton efficiency and trigger (per lepton)	norm.	3	< 2	< 0.1
Z( $\nu\nu$ )H triggers	shape	3	< 2	< 0.1
Jet energy scale	shape	2–3	5.0	0.5
Jet energy resolution	shape	3–6	5.9	0.7
Missing transverse energy	shape	3	3.2	0.2
b-tagging	shape	3–15	10.2	2.1
Signal cross section (scale and PDF)	norm.	4	3.9	0.3
Signal cross section ( $p_T$ boost, EWK/QCD)	norm.	2/5	3.9	0.3
Monte Carlo statistics	shape	1–5	13.3	3.6
Backgrounds (data estimate)	norm.	10	15.9	5.2
Single-top (simulation estimate)	norm.	15	5.0	0.5
Dibosons (simulation estimate)	norm.	15	5.0	0.5
MC modeling (V+jets and $t\bar{t}$ )	shape	10	7.4	1.1

# Combined M(jj) Distribution

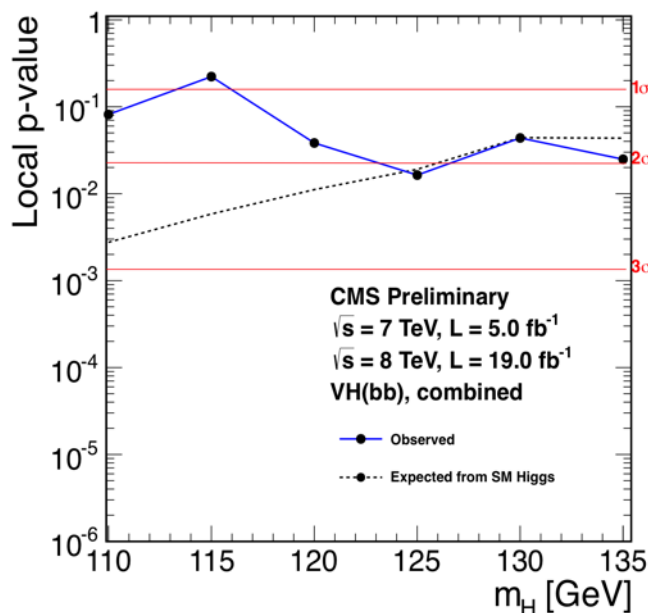
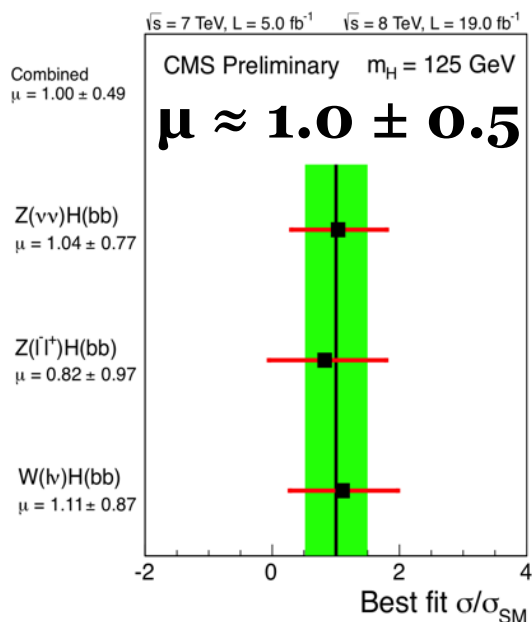


- ◆ Can see well-defined VV peak ( $7.5 \sigma$  with 8 TeV alone)
  - Measure  $\mu_{VV} \approx 1.19 \pm 0.25$  – important cross-check for VH analysis
- ◆ Suggestive, small excess in neighborhood of 125 GeV

# Results



- ◆ Compute limits and p-values using full CL<sub>s</sub> frequentist calculation
- ◆ Find broad **excess** for 120+ GeV
- ◆ Expected limit (125 GeV): **0.95\*SM**
- ◆ Observed limit (125 GeV): **1.89\*SM**



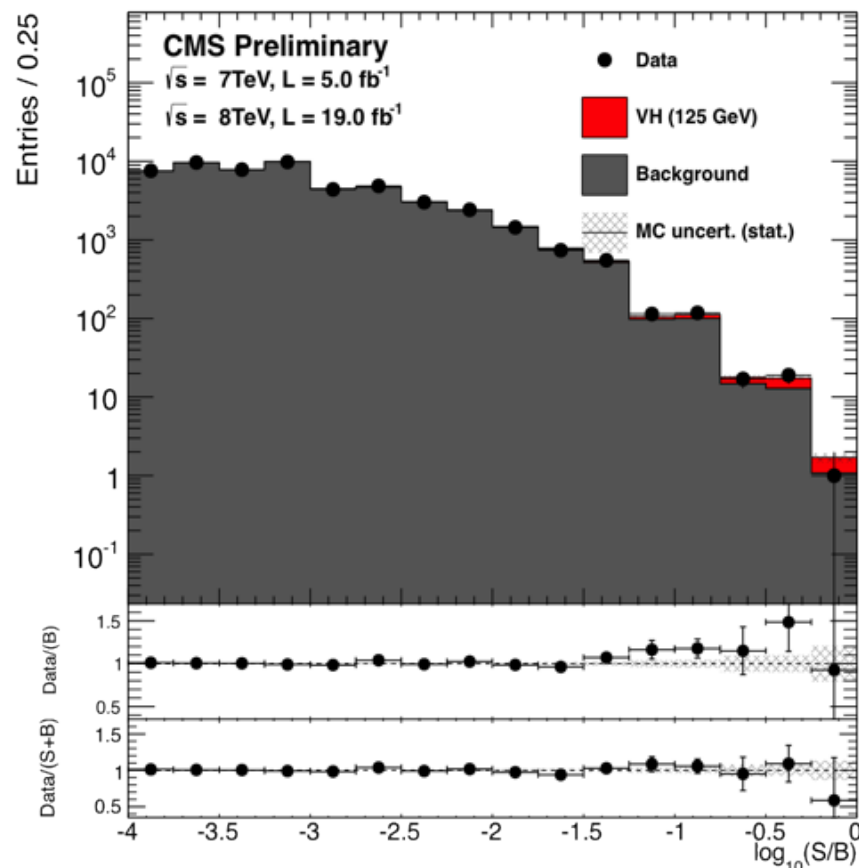
- ◆ Expected signif. (125 GeV): **2.1  $\sigma$**
- ◆ Observed signif. (125 GeV): **2.1  $\sigma$**
- ◆ Find similar signal strength in all modes @ 125 GeV

## ◆ $VH(b\bar{b})$ search results:

- 125 GeV signal strength:  $1.0 \pm 0.5$
- 125 GeV limits:
  - Expected:  $0.95$
  - Observed:  $1.89$
- 125 GeV significance:
  - Expected:  $2.1 \sigma$
  - Observed:  $2.1 \sigma$

## ◆ $VV(b\bar{b})$ cross-check results:

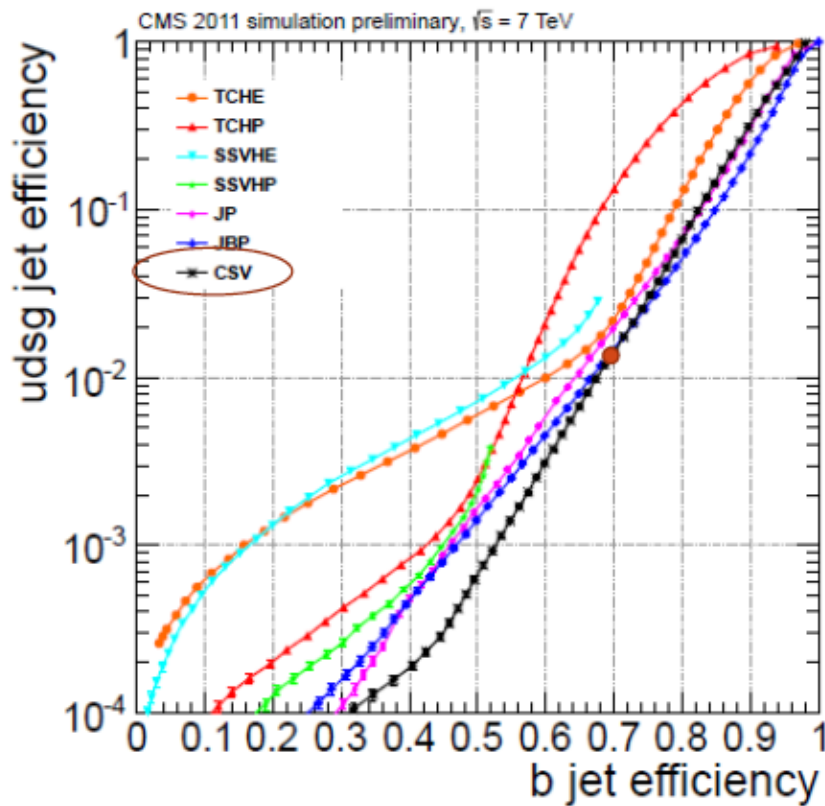
- Signal strength:  $1.19 \pm 0.25$
- Expected significance:  $6.1 \sigma$
- Observed significance:  $7.5 \sigma$



# BACKUP SLIDES



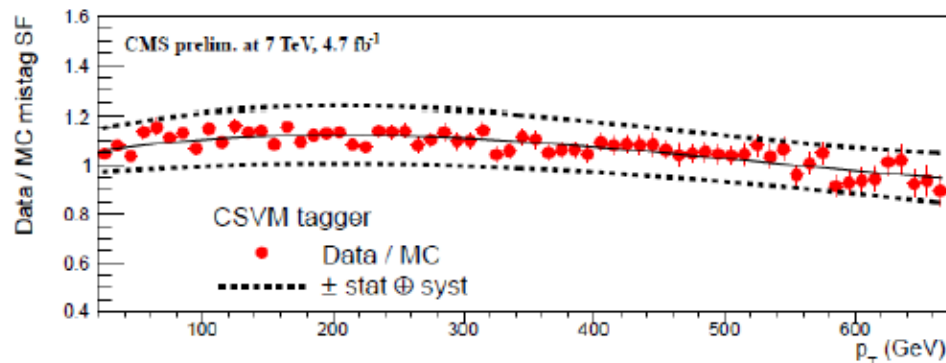
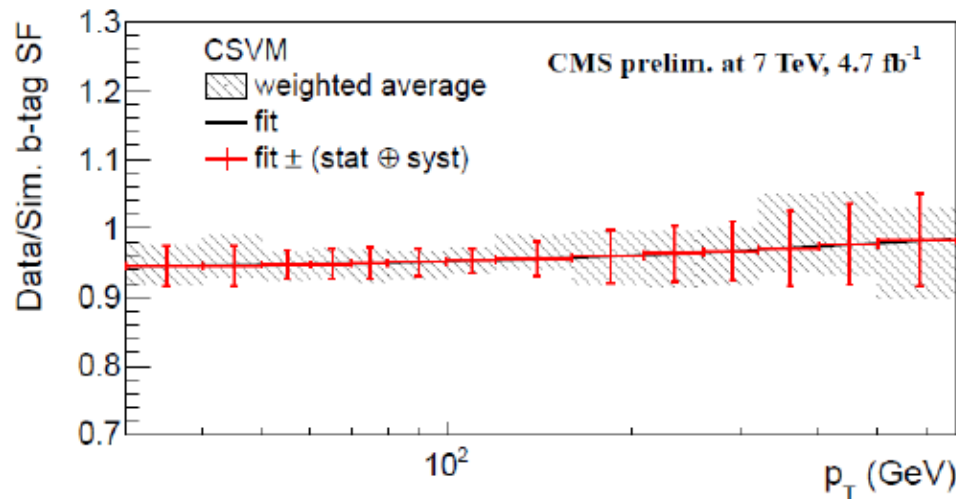
# b-tagging Performance



Typical working point:

- $\text{Eff}(\text{sig}) \sim 70\%$
- $\text{Eff}(\text{bkg}) \sim 1\%$

Calibrated on  $t\bar{t}b$  data up  
to  $p_T(j) > 600$  GeV



Corrected shapes used as input to BDT

# $W(e\nu)H(b\bar{b})$ Event Display

$W(e\nu)H(b\bar{b})$  Candidate

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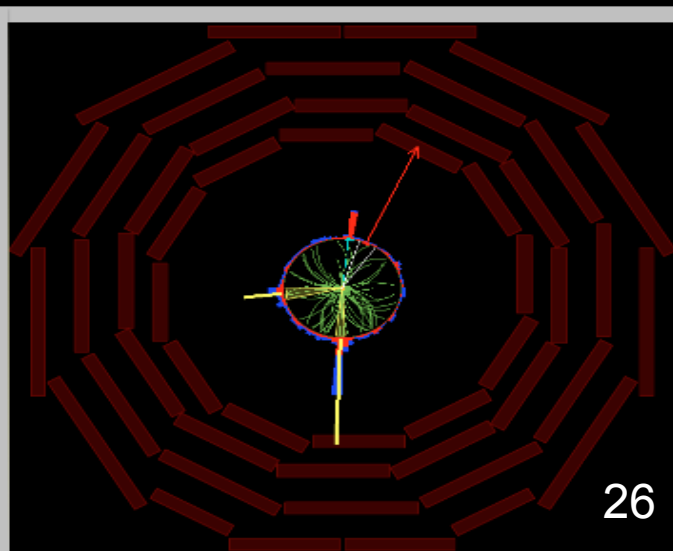
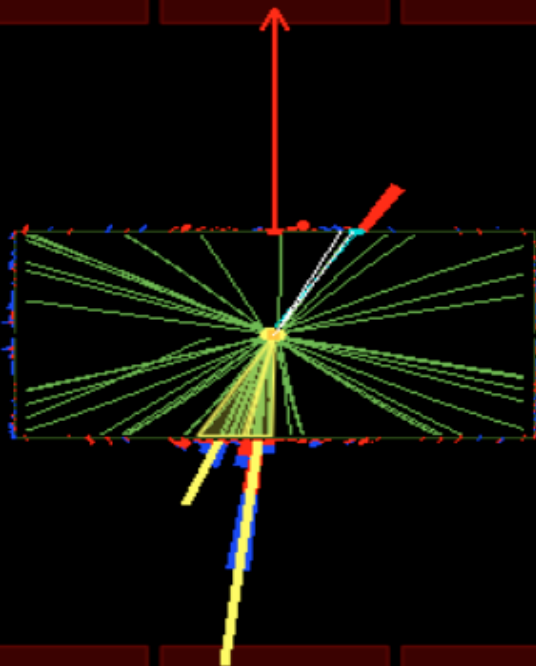
Lumi: 485

Event: 654261640

$M(jj)$ : 114.5 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>

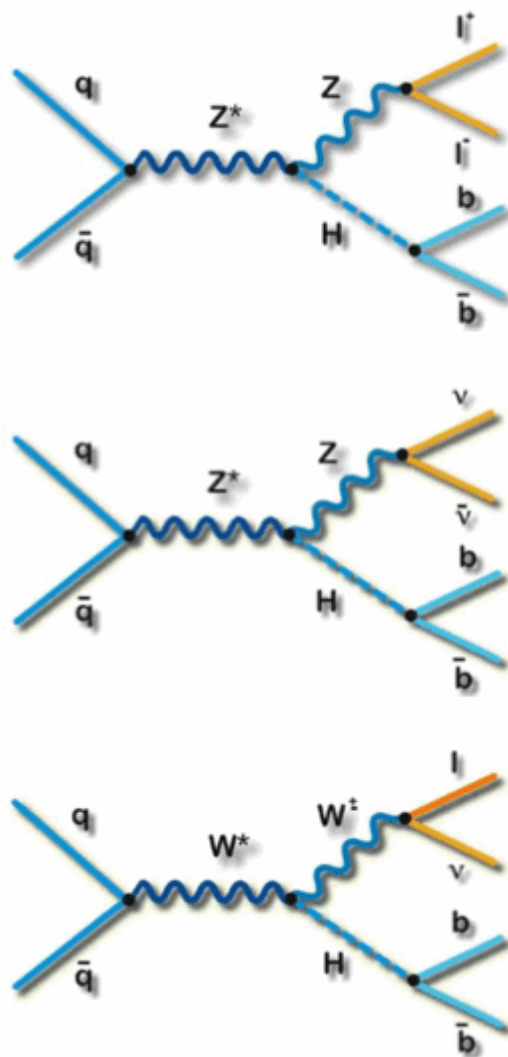
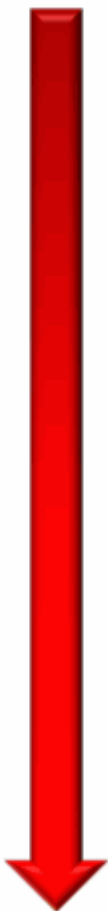
$p_T(jj)$ : 162.3 GeV/c

$p_T(W)$ : 187.6 GeV/c



# Signal

$\sigma \cdot \text{BF}$   $N_B$



◆ **Z(l<sup>+</sup>l<sup>-</sup>)H(bb<sup>-</sup>):**

- Cleanest mode
- Least significant mode
- Main bkg: Z+jets

◆ **Z(nu<sup>-</sup>nu<sup>-</sup>)H(bb<sup>-</sup>):**

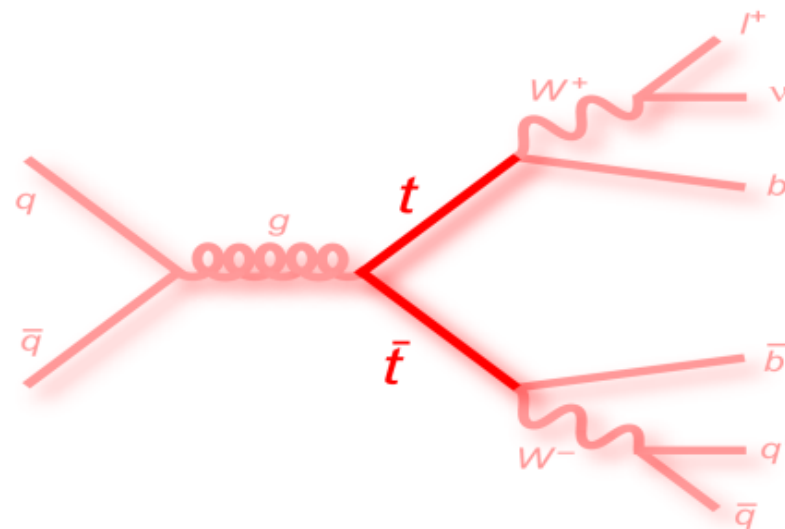
- High MET required (boosted Z → nu<sup>-</sup>nu<sup>-</sup>)
- Main bkg: W/Z+jets, t $\bar{t}$

◆ **W(lv)H(bb<sup>-</sup>):**

- Most significant mode
- Main bkg: W+jets, t $\bar{t}$

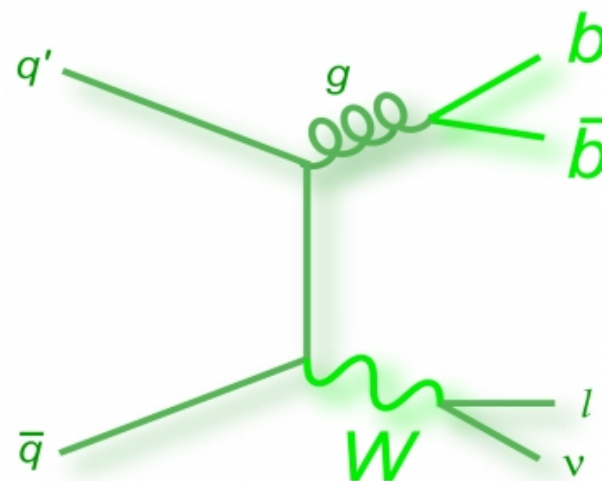
## ◆ Reducible backgrounds:

- QCD (isolated leptons,  $\Delta\phi(V,H)$ , MET, b-tagging,  $\Delta\phi(\text{MET}, j_{\text{nearest}})$ )
- $V+udscg$  (b-tagging, boost)
- $t\bar{t}$  (additional jets)
- Single top (additional jets)



## ◆ Irreducible backgrounds:

- $V+b\bar{b}$  (boost)
- $Z(l\nu)Z(b\bar{b})$  ( $M(jj)$ )
- $W(l\nu)Z(b\bar{b})$  ( $M(jj)$ )



# Scale Factors (HCP)

Process	W( $\ell\nu$ )H		Z( $\ell\ell$ )H		Z( $\nu\nu$ )H	
	7 TeV	8 TeV	7 TeV	8 TeV	7 TeV	8 TeV
Low $p_T$						
W + udscg	$0.88 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.03$	$1.01 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.01$	-	-	$0.89 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.03$	$0.96 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.03$
Wbb $\bar{\bar{b}}$	$1.91 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.31$	$2.07 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.10$	-	-	$1.36 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.15$	$1.30 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.10$
Z + udscg	-	-	$1.11 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.11$	$1.10 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.06$	$0.87 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.03$	$1.15 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$
Zbb $\bar{\bar{b}}$	-	-	$0.98 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.12$	$1.08 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.08$	$0.96 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$	$1.12 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.04$
t $\bar{t}$	$0.93 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.05$	$1.07 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.01$	$1.03 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.11$	$1.01 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.06$	$0.97 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04$	$1.05 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$
High $p_T$						
W + udscg	$0.79 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.02$	$0.94 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.01$	-	-	$0.78 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$	$0.95 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.02$
Wbb $\bar{\bar{b}}$	$1.49 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.19$	$1.72 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.08$	-	-	$1.48 \pm 0.15 \pm 0.20$	$1.27 \pm 0.18 \pm 0.10$
Z + udscg	-	-	$1.11 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.11$	$1.10 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.06$	$0.97 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04$	$1.04 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.02$
Zbb $\bar{\bar{b}}$	-	-	$0.98 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.12$	$1.08 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.08$	$1.08 \pm 0.09 \pm 0.06$	$1.15 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.04$
t $\bar{t}$	$0.84 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$	$0.99 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.01$	$1.03 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.11$	$1.01 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.06$	$0.97 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04$	$1.03 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.03$

# Scale Factors (LHCp)

Process	$W(\ell\nu)H$	$Z(\ell\ell)H$	$Z(\nu\nu)H$
Low $p_T(V)$			
$W + udscg$	$1.03 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.05$	–	$0.83 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04$
$W + b$	$2.22 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.20$	–	$2.30 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.11$
$W + b\bar{b}$	$1.58 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.24$	–	$0.85 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.14$
$Z + udscg$	–	$1.11 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.06$	$1.24 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.09$
$Z + b$	–	$1.59 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.08$	$2.06 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.09$
$Z + b\bar{b}$	–	$0.98 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.08$	$1.25 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.11$
$t\bar{t}$	$1.03 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.04$	$1.10 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.06$	$1.01 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04$
Intermediate $p_T(V)$			
$W + udscg$	$1.02 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.07$	–	$0.93 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04$
$W + b$	$2.90 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.20$	–	$2.08 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.12$
$W + b\bar{b}$	$1.30 \pm 0.23 \pm 0.14$	–	$0.75 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.11$
$Z + udscg$	–	–	$1.19 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.07$
$Z + b$	–	–	$2.30 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.08$
$Z + b\bar{b}$	–	–	$1.11 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.12$
$t\bar{t}$	$1.02 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.15$	–	$0.99 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$
High $p_T(V)$			
$W + udscg$	$1.04 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.07$	–	$0.93 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$
$W + b$	$2.46 \pm 0.33 \pm 0.22$	–	$2.12 \pm 0.22 \pm 0.10$
$W + b\bar{b}$	$0.77 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.08$	–	$0.71 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.15$
$Z + udscg$	–	$1.11 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.06$	$1.17 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.08$
$Z + b$	–	$1.59 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.08$	$2.13 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.07$
$Z + b\bar{b}$	–	$0.98 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.08$	$1.12 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.10$
$t\bar{t}$	$1.00 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.11$	$1.10 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.06$	$0.99 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.03$

# Triggers

Triggers	7 TeV (2011)	8 TeV (2012)
W( $\mu\nu$ )H Z( $\mu\mu$ )H	$\geq 1$ (isolated) muon $p_T^\mu > 17\text{--}40$ GeV/c	$\geq 1$ (isolated) muon $p_T^\mu > 24\text{--}40$ GeV/c
W(e $\nu$ )H	$\geq 1$ isolated electron $p_T^e > 17\text{--}30$ GeV/c ( $\geq 2$ jets for lower threshold)	$\geq 1$ isolated electron $p_T^e > 27$ GeV/c
Z(ee)H	$\geq 2$ isolated electrons $p_T^{e,1st} > 17$ GeV/c $p_T^{e,2nd} > 8$ GeV/c	$\geq 2$ isolated electrons $p_T^{e,1st} > 17$ GeV/c $p_T^{e,2nd} > 8$ GeV/c
Z( $\nu\nu$ )H	MHT $> 150$ GeV OR $\geq 2$ central jets $p_T > 20$ GeV MET $> 80\text{--}100$ GeV	MHT $> 150$ GeV OR $\geq 2$ central jets $p_T > 30$ GeV, MET $> 80$ GeV

# MC Generator Summary

Process	MC Generator
VH	Powheg
V+jets	Madgraph/Herwig
tt	Madgraph, Powheg (7 TeV, 8 TeV)
Single top	Powheg
VV	Pythia/Madgraph
QCD multijet	Pythia



# CS Definitions

## W(lν)H(b $\bar{b}$ )

Variable	W+LF	t $\bar{t}$	W+HF
$p_T(V)$	[100 – 130][130, 180][> 180]	[100 – 130][130, 180][> 180]	[100 – 130][130, 180][> 180]
$p_T(j_1)$	> 30	> 30	> 30
$p_T(j_2)$	> 30	> 30	> 30
$p_T(jj)$	> 120	> 120	> 120
$m(jj)$	< 250	< 250	< 250, $\notin$ [90 – 150]
CSV <sub>max</sub>	[0.244 – 0.898]	> 0.898	> 0.898
$N_{aj}$	< 2	> 1	= 0
$N_{al}$	= 0	= 0	= 0
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	> 45	> 45	> 45
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ significance	> 2.0( $\mu$ ) > 3.0( $e$ )	–	–

# CS Definitions

## Z(l+l)H(bb)

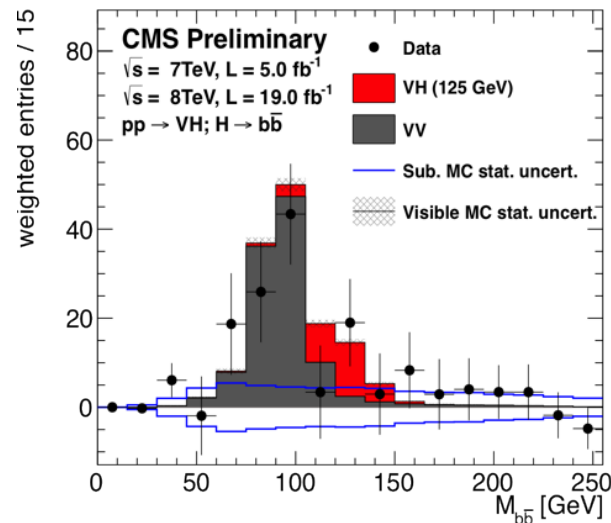
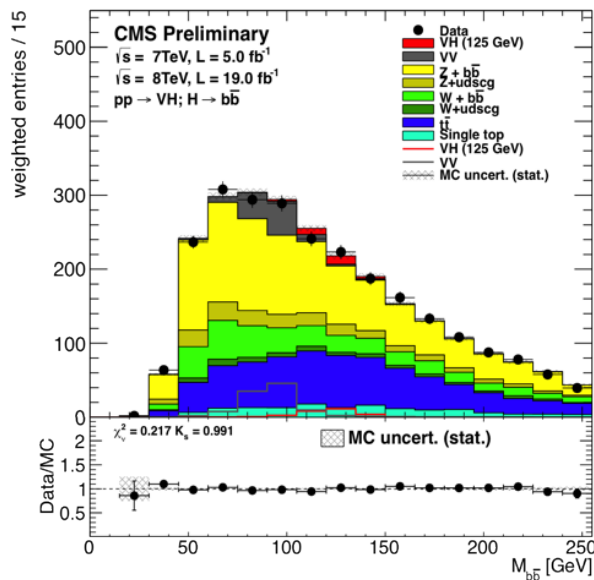
Variable	Z+jets	t $\bar{t}$
$m_{\ell\ell}$	[75 – 105]	$\notin$ [75 – 105]
$p_T(j_1)$	> 20	> 20
$p_T(j_2)$	> 20	> 20
$p_T(V)$	> 50	[50 – 100]
$m(jj)$	< 250, $\notin$ [80 – 150]	< 250, $\notin$ [80 – 150]
CSV <sub>max</sub>	> 0.244	> 0.244
CSV <sub>min</sub>	> 0.244	> 0.244

# CS Definitions

## Z( $\nu\bar{\nu}$ )H( $b\bar{b}$ )

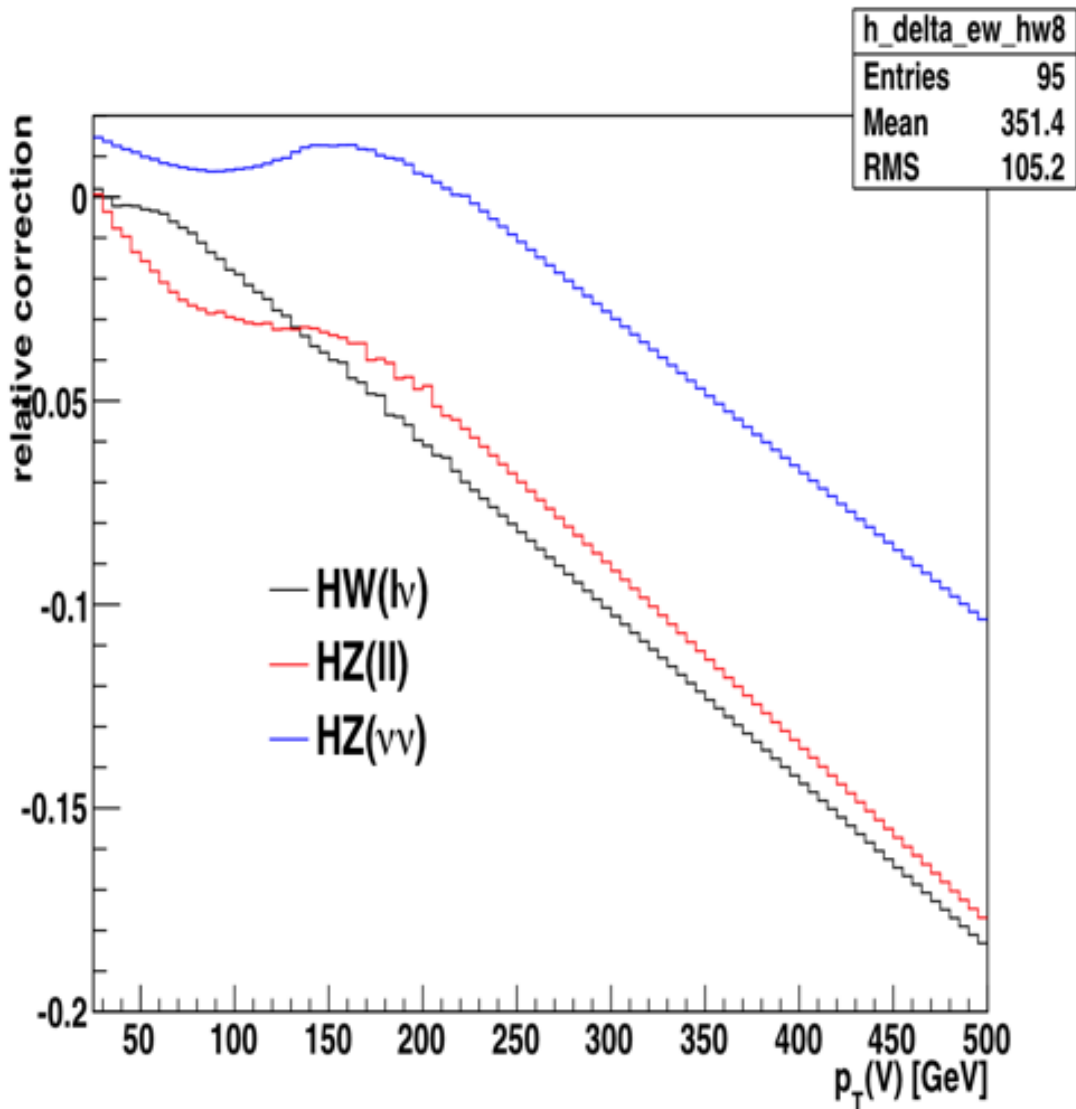
Variable	Z+LF			Z+HF			t $\bar{t}$			W+LF			W+HF		
	[100 - 130]	[130 - 170]	> 170]	[100 - 130]	[130 - 170]	> 170]	[100 - 130]	[130 - 170]	> 170]	[100 - 130]	[130 - 170]	> 170]	[100 - 130]	[130 - 170]	> 170]
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$															
$p_T(j_1)$		> 60			> 60			> 60			> 60			> 60	
$p_T(j_2)$		> 30			> 30			> 30			> 30			> 30	
$p_T(jj)$	[> 100]	[> 130]	[> 130]	[> 100]	[> 130]	[> 130]	[> 100]	[> 130]	[> 130]	[> 100]	[> 130]	[> 130]	[> 100]	[> 130]	[> 130]
$m(jj)$		< 250			< 250, $\notin$ [100 - 140]			< 250, $\notin$ [100 - 140]			< 250			< 250, $\notin$ [100 - 140]	
CSV <sub>max</sub>		[0.244 - 0.898]			> 0.679			> 0.898			[0.244 - 0.898]			> 0.679	
CSV <sub>min</sub>		-			> 0.244			-			-			> 0.244	
$N_{sj}$		[< 2] [-] [-]			[< 2] [-] [-]			$\geq 1$			= 0			= 0	
$N_{sl}$		= 0			= 0			= 1			= 1			= 1	
$\Delta\phi(V, H)$		-			> 2.0			-			-			> 2.0	
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jet})$	[> 0.7]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.5]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.5]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.5]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.5]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.7]	[> 0.5]
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, E_T^{\text{miss}}(\text{tracks}))$		< 0.5			< 0.5			-			-			-	
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ significance		[> 3] [-] [-]			[> 3] [-] [-]			[> 3] [-] [-]			[> 3] [-] [-]			[> 3] [-] [-]	

# M(b $\bar{b}$ ) Plot Selection

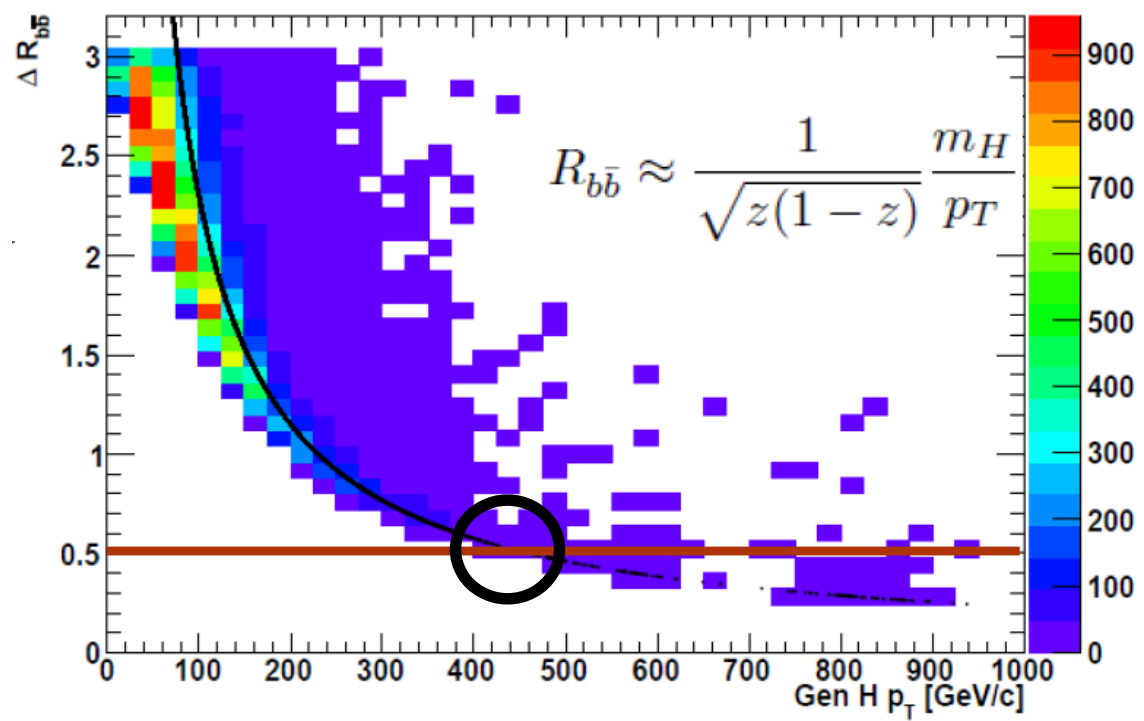


Variable	W( $\mu\nu$ )H			W( $e\nu$ )H		W( $\tau\nu$ )H	Z( $\ell\ell$ )H			Z( $\nu\nu$ )H		
$p_T(V)$	[100 – 130]	[130 – 180]	[> 180]	[100 – 150]	[> 150]	[< 250]	[50 – 100]	[100 – 150]	[> 150]	[100 – 130]	[130 – 170]	[> 170]
$m_{\ell\ell}$	-			-		-	75 < $m_{\ell\ell}$ < 105			-		
$p_T(j_1)$	> 30			> 30		> 30	> 20			[> 60][> 60][> 80]		
$p_T(j_2)$	> 30			> 30		> 30	> 20			> 30		
$p_T(jj)$	> 100			> 100		> 120	-			[> 110][> 140][> 190]		
$N_{aj}$	= 0			= 0		= 0	-			= 0		
$N_{al}$	= 0			= 0		> 80	-			= 0		
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	> 45			> 45		-	< 60.			-		
$p_T(\tau)$	-			-		> 40	-			-		
$p_T(\text{track})$	-			-		> 20	-			-		
CSV $_{\text{max}}$	0.898			0.898		0.898	0.679			0.898		
CSV $_{\text{min}}$	> 0.5			> 0.5		> 0.4	> 0.5			> 0.5		
$\Delta\phi(V, H)$	> 2.95			> 2.95		> 2.95	-			> 2.95		
$\Delta R(jj)$	-			-		= 0	[-][ -][< 1.6]			-		
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jet})$	-			-		-	-			[> 0.7][> 0.7][> 0.5]		
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, E_T^{\text{miss}}(\text{tracks}))$	-			-		-	-			< 0.5		
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \ell)$	< $\pi/2$			< $\pi/2$		-	-			-		

# New EWK NLO Corrections



# Jet Sub-structure



- ◆ For AK5 jets, b-jets from Higgs decay begin merging above 400 GeV
- ◆ Sub-structure not necessary at 8 TeV but sensitivity gains are possible even now (5-10%, preliminary)
- ◆ First attempts are reasonably straight-forward (additional BDT training variables) but more complex ideas are being investigated