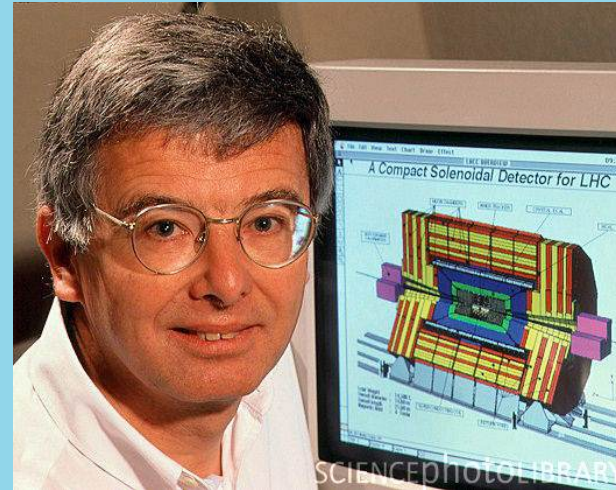




**2014**

# Michel Della Negra



## From the First Data to the Higgs Boson Discovery

... and beyond

Yves Sirois, Laboratoire Leprince-Ringuet, Ecole Polytechnique

14 décembre 2015







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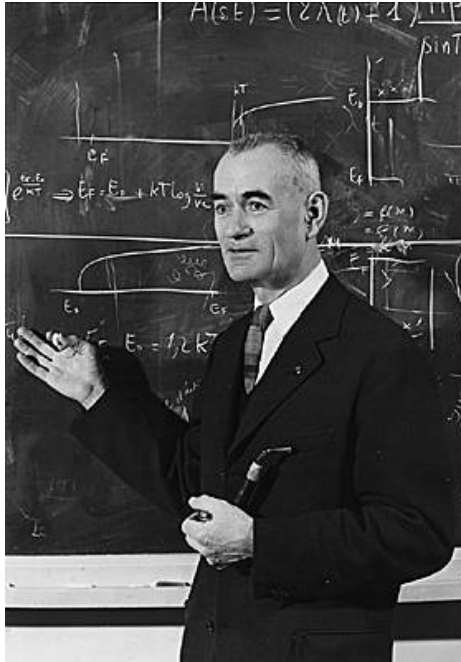
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Promotion

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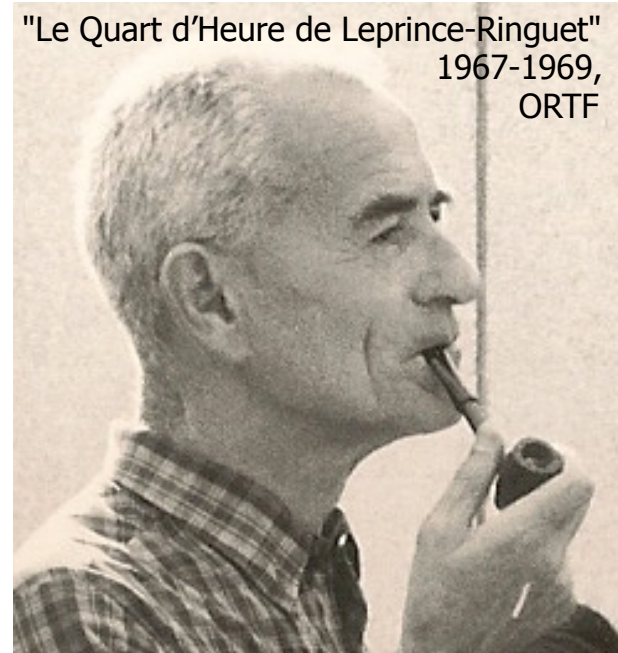


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... course at the  
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Polytechnique

L.L.-R. 1967

... a famous  
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TV show



Louis Leprince-Ringuet and the  
BP3 Heavy Liquid Bubble Chamber at CERN  
following an agreement signed with CERN in 1959

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## Spontaneous symmetry breaking ("BEH") mechanism - 1964

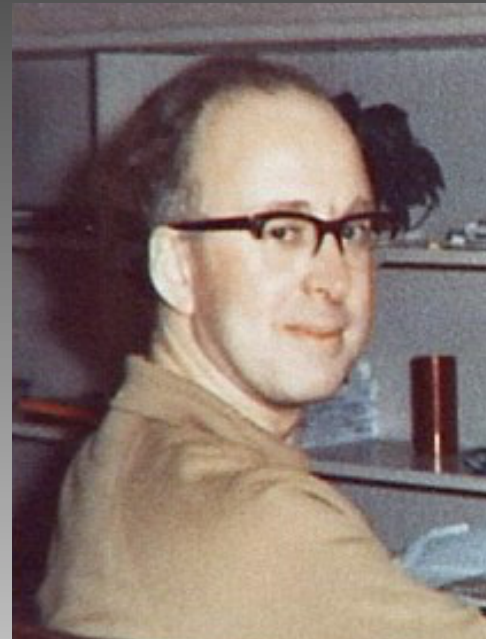
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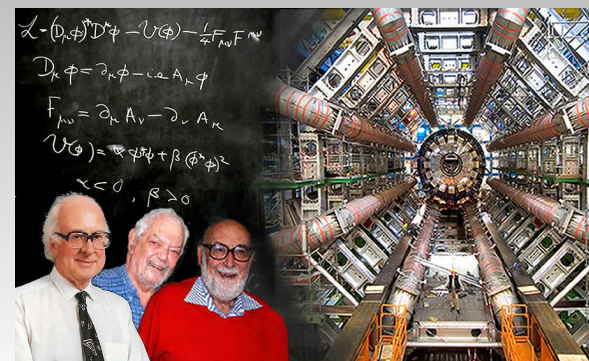
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Peter Higgs



... the origin of one of the  
greatest scientific adventure  
of modern times





# The Road to the Higgs Boson

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Profiling the Higgs boson !

1967

← GIM Mechanism

1971

1973

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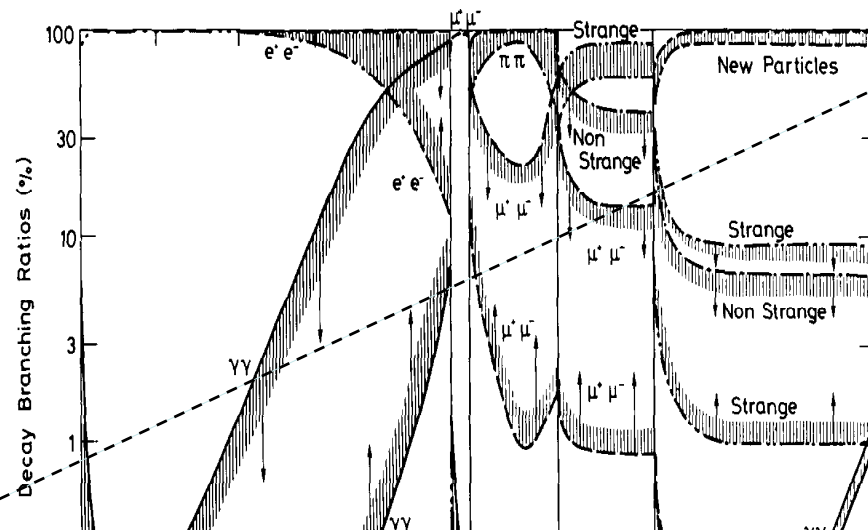
\*The Beatles, 1970



# A PHENOMENOLOGICAL PROFILE OF THE HIGGS BOSON

John ELLIS, Mary K. GAILLARD <sup>\*</sup> and D.V. NANOPOULOS <sup>\*\*</sup>  
*CERN, Geneva*

Received 7 November 1975



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# Large Hadron Collider Workshop

CERN 90-10  
ECFA 90-133

Michel and the Higgs boson physics

## SEARCH FOR $H \rightarrow Z^*Z^* \rightarrow 4$ LEPTONS AT LHC

Higgs Study Group

M. Della Negra, D. Froidevaux, K. Jakobs, R. Kinnunen,  
R. Kleiss, A. Nisati and T. Sjöstrand

### 1. Introduction and Motivation

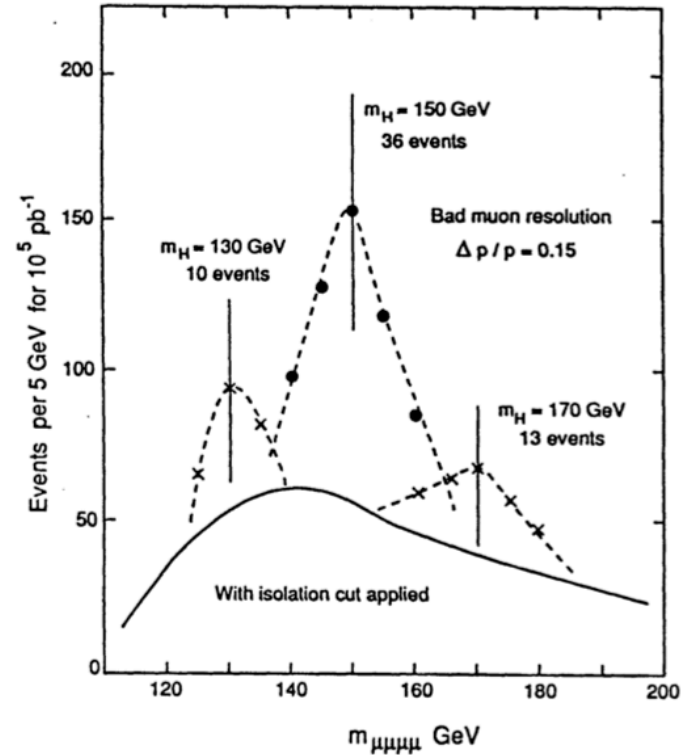
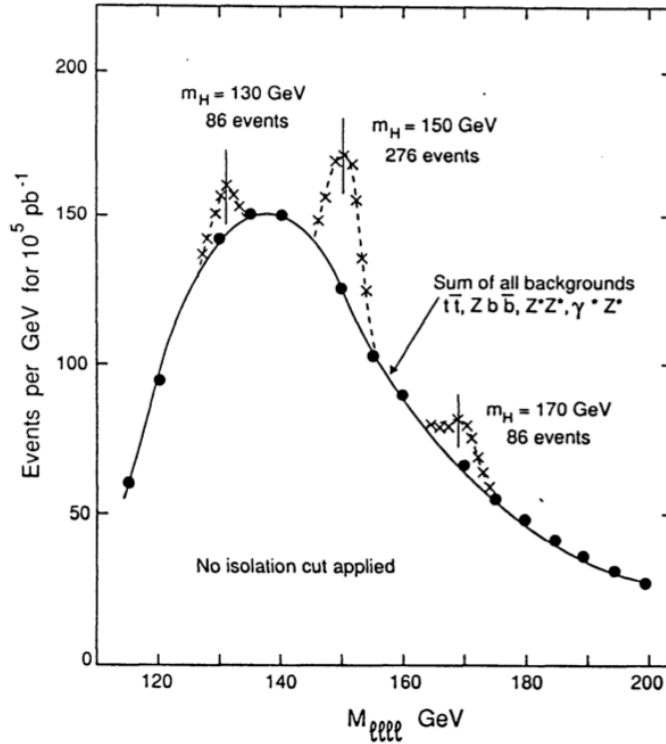
The work reported here was prompted by the need to understand how the gold-plated  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell\ell$  ( $\ell = e$  or  $\mu$ ) channel could be extended to Higgs masses below  $2m_Z$ , and by previous studies which reported possible large backgrounds to this process [1]. Since the observation of the so-called intermediate mass Higgs,  $m_Z \leq m_H \leq 2m_Z$ , is well-known by now to be one of the most difficult experimental challenges for future hadron colliders such as LHC or SSC, we felt that there was really a need for a thorough study of the most promising channel in this Higgs mass range. We have therefore performed a calculation as complete as possible of potential backgrounds to 4-lepton final states in this mass range, and we have studied the effectiveness of good momentum resolution (obviously a problem mainly addressed to muon detection) and lepton isolation (a problem for calorimetry only at luminosities of  $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ) at rejecting these backgrounds, which arise mainly from non-resonant and non-isolated multi-lepton final states.

Many other « things » discussed at the Workshop such as Supersymmetry,  $Z'/W'$ , Excited Fermions and Compositeness, Leptoquarks, ... have not been found

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The low rates expected, even with good lepton acceptance,  $p_T^l > 10 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|\eta_l| < 3$ , lead to the conclusion, that a clear observation of a possible Higgs signal in this channel requires identification of both electrons and muons. Lepton isolation cuts have also been carefully studied and proven to yield sufficient rejection against non-isolated leptons from  $b$ -quark decay, to reduce the  $t\bar{t}$  and  $Zb\bar{b}$  backgrounds to the level of the irreducible  $Z^*Z^*, \gamma^*Z^*$  background. The Higgs signal would then clearly appear above background, for a total integrated luminosity of  $10^5 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  and for  $130 \leq m_H \leq 2m_Z$ .



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Découverte du Quark Top  
(CDF and D0 @ Tevatron 1995)

Particle physics measurements  
at colliders described by the  
standard model  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)$

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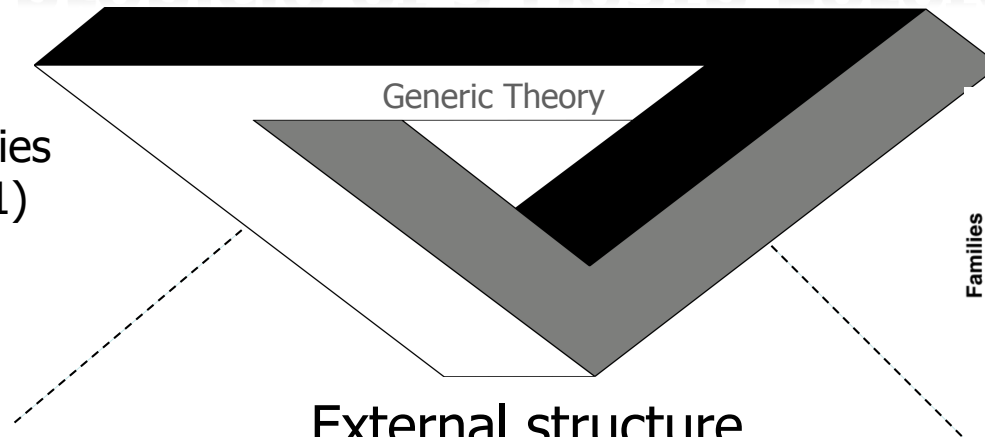
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# Chronicle of a Death Foretold

Gauge Bosons

Gauge Symmetries  
 $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$



Generic Theory

External structure

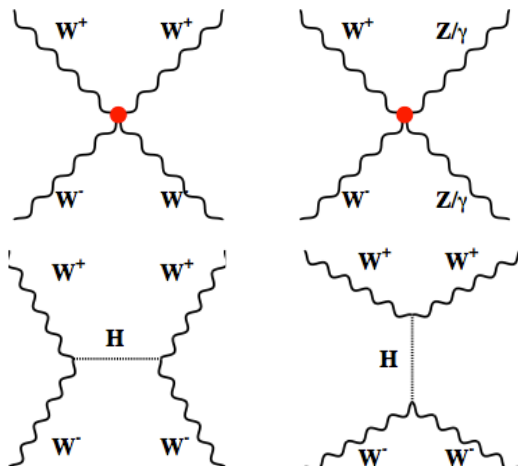
BEH Mechanism, Higgs boson

Fermions

Leptons		Quarks		
1	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e^- \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_L$	Weak Isospin Space
	$e^-_R$	$u_R, d_R$	$u_R, d_R$	
			$u_R, d_R$	
2	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu^- \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix}_L$	
	$\mu^-_R$	$c_R, s_R$	$c_R, s_R$	
3	$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau \\ \tau^- \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}_L$	$\begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}_L$	
	$\tau^-_R$	$t_R, b_R$	$t_R, b_R$	
				Colour (for quarks)

- There must exist additional structure to explain the origin of mass, i.e. to preserve gauge symmetries at the fundamental level
- Additional structure is needed to preserve unitarity

One cannot save the theory by injecting measured observables i.e to allow for renormalization as for electrodynamics



$$A(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) = \frac{G_F E^2}{8\sqrt{2}\pi} \left( 1 - \frac{E^2}{E^2 - m_H^2} \right)$$

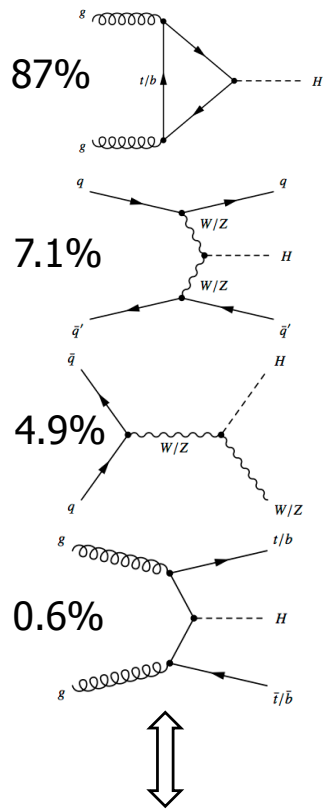
SM limited to  $E < \sim 1$  TeV in absence of regularisation

e.g. the H boson allows for exact unitarization

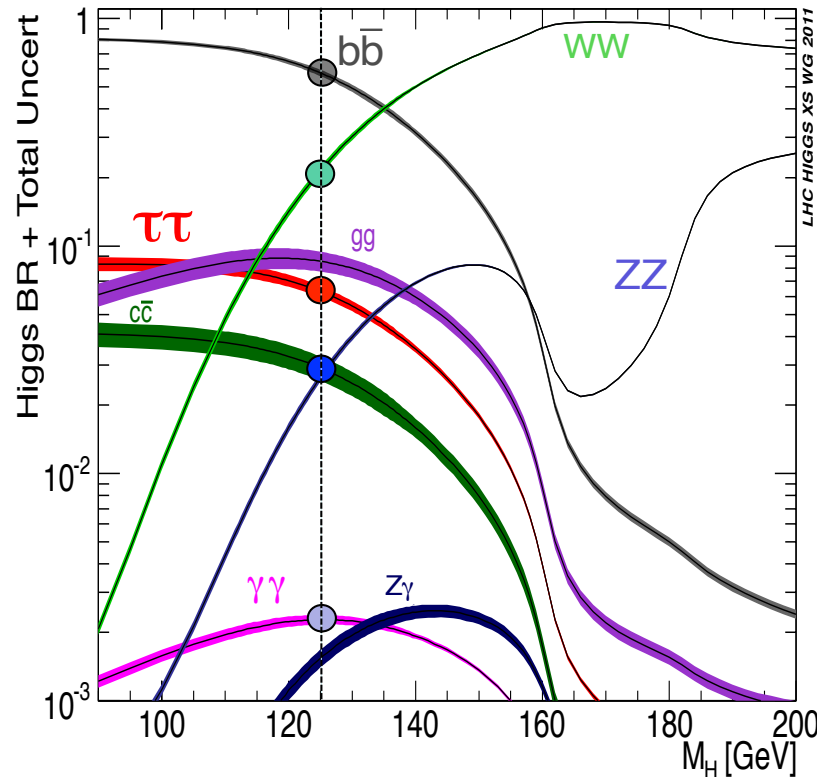
H boson or equivalent or new physics at the TeV scale ?



# Production and Decay of the H Boson



$\sigma/\sigma_{\text{tot}} (M_H = 125 \text{ GeV})$



$\Delta M/M \sim 1\text{-}2\%$  High resolution

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  Rare,  $S/B < 1$   
 $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  Very rare,  $S/B \gg 1$

$\Delta M/M \sim 10\text{-}20\%$  Medium resolution

$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  Abundant,  $S/B \ll 1$   
 $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  Abundant,  $S/B < 1$

$\Delta M/M > 30\%$  Low resolution

$H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$  Very abundant,  $S/B < 1$

4 production modes  $\times$  5 decay modes ( $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $ZZ$ ,  $WW$ ,  $\tau\tau$ ,  $b\bar{b}$ )

$\sim 100$  exclusive final states (production, decay, event categories)  
 are contributing for  $M_H \sim 125 \text{ GeV}$  !



# Exploring New Avenues

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- The work on e/g and Pflow started in started already for the CMS Detector (Vol. I) and Physics (Vol. II) Technical Design Reports **LHCC 2006-021**
- This was made possible thanks to the precious support of the CMS top Management [ Michel / Jim ]

In an experiment undergoing a phase transition from a Federation of Projects (for the construction) to a single experiment (for the physics), the support of the CMS top management [Michel / Jim] was essential shake the structure and create new bridges

Previously: e/ $\gamma$  were under the « umbrella » of the ECAL project ...  
 Jets were under the « umbrella » of the HCAL project ...  
 Tracks were under the « umbrella » of the Tracker project ...  
 etc.

Some dogmas that would needed to be shaken:

« You'll never manage to do better than Kalman-Filter (short) tracks for electrons »

« Iterative tracking is hopeless in such an environment »

« Combined track-clusters are too complicated ... calorimeters are simple ... »

Tracking experts

ECAL experts

« Particle-flow will never work at a hadronic collider »

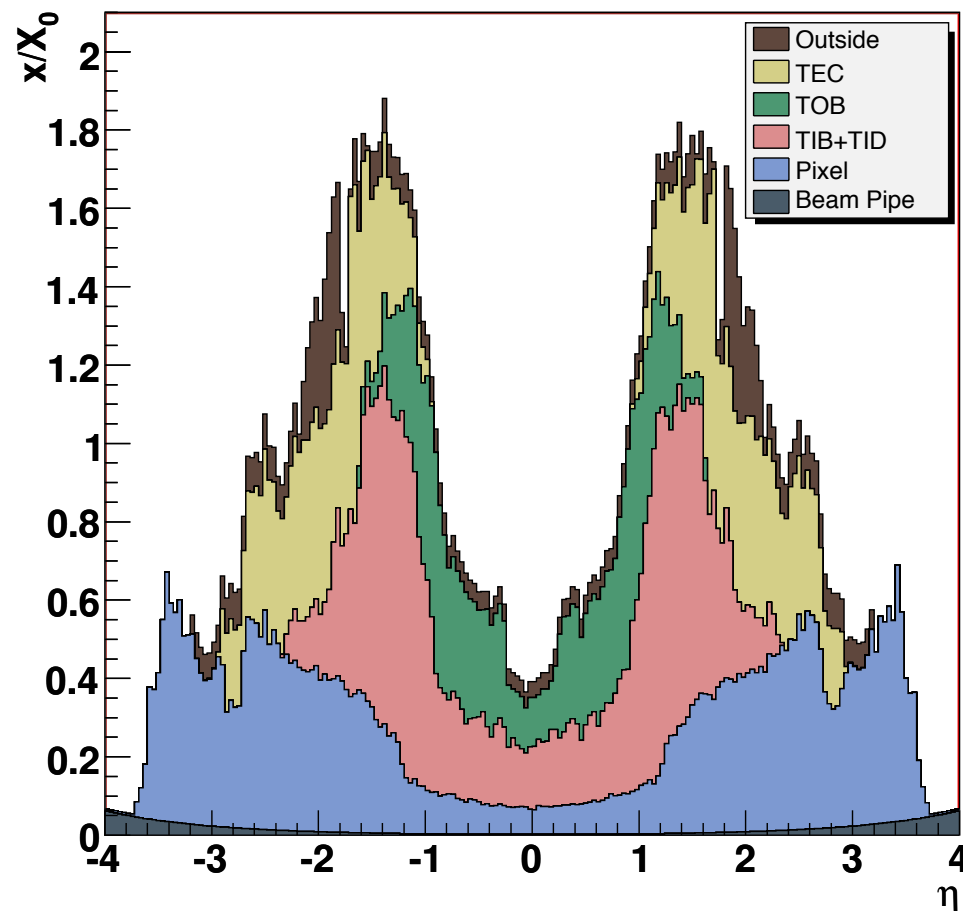
HCAL experts

Everything was in place for the discovery in 2011-2012

Higgs boson physics at LHC is largely about measurement, identification, and isolation of photons ( $\gamma$ ) or leptons  $e, \mu, \tau_h$

$e (\gamma)$

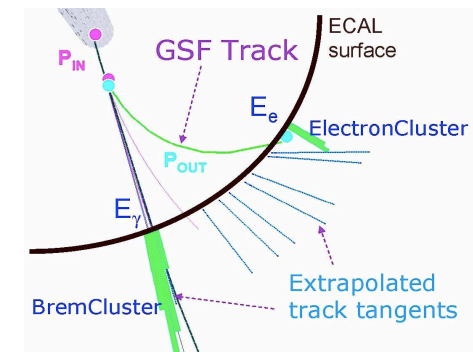
- Severely hampered at low  $P_T$ : tracker material and 3.8 Tesla field !
- Reconstruction and Identification required to climb mountains



30-40 % of primary  $\gamma$ 's convert before reaching the ECAL

Electrons radiate (Bremss.) when traversing the tracker Si layers

e.g. CMS



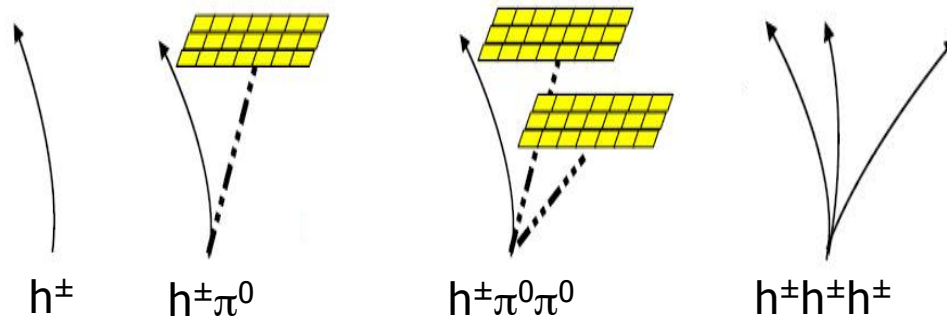
Need to combine tracker and ECAL information to best estimate energy-momentum and get a handle on the amount of Bremms. and energy lost !



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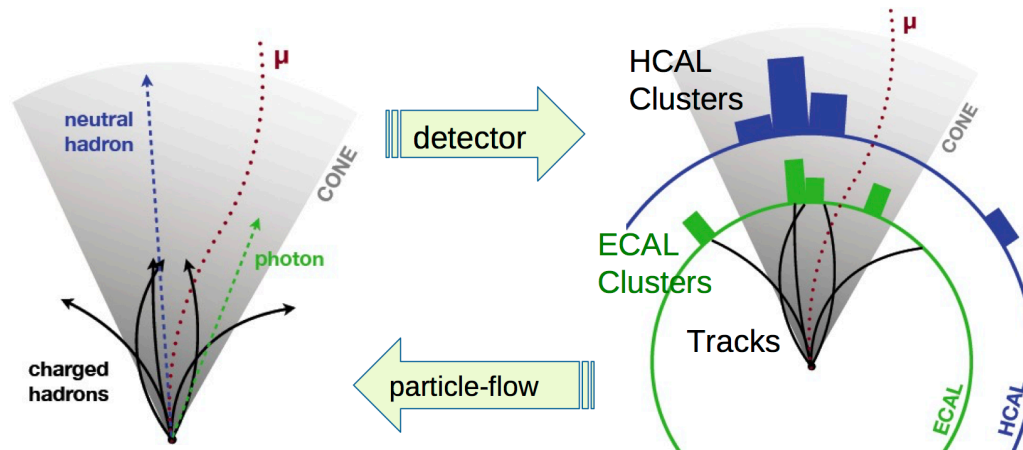
$\tau_h$

- Need to distinguish decays modes (different E scales, fake rates, ...)



- 1) Decay mode finding  
Require a valid  $\pi, \rho, \alpha$
- 2) Isolation with  $\Delta\beta$  vertex  
 $\Sigma P_T < 2 \text{ GeV}$  ; cone of  $\Delta R = 0.5$
- 3) Electron rejection  
Pflow e; Brem detection
- 4) Muon rejection  
Compatibility with leading track

- Best achieved with **Particle Flow\*** Techniques where the signals from the detectors is completely deconvoluted back to “particles”



List of individual particles used to build jets, measure missing  $E_T$ , reconstruct and identify taus leptons and tag b-jets etc.

# From CMS Top Management

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## Back to Ground Work



# The PFlow Received Prestigious Support

- After having led the CMS Collaboration, one of the two largest experiment in HEP history, for some 16 Years, Michel Della Negra came “down” and joined the efforts of the PFlow/ $\tau$  group in 2007
- This was a truly great and humble move driven by pure intellectual curiosity which had a BIG impact in CMS (especially for young people !) Suddenly people understood that PFlow would converge\*\*\* and become a standard approach for CMS

\*\*\* Somehow, Michel has always radiated this confidence; contaminating other people with the idea that « it will work » irrespective of the difficulties !

The first of a series of famous « I found a bug » postings by Michel !

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*Forum:* [Particle Flow](#)

*Date:* 10 Aug, 2007

*From:* [Michel Della Negra](#) <Michel Della Negra>

*Subject:* Bug in PFTrackTransformer

Dear PF experts and users,

In debugging PF taus in the endcaps, I found a bug, which affects the matching TK/ECAL clusters in barrel as well. The track extrapolation to shower max in PFTrackTransformer has a bug:

# Particle Flow and Tau Id meeting

chaired by Patrick Janot (CERN), Rick Cavanaugh (Inst. for High Energy Physics & Astrophysics, University of Florida)

Monday, 15 December 2008 from 16:30 to 18:30 (Europe/Zurich)

CERN ( 40-S2-A01 )

17:30 - 17:50

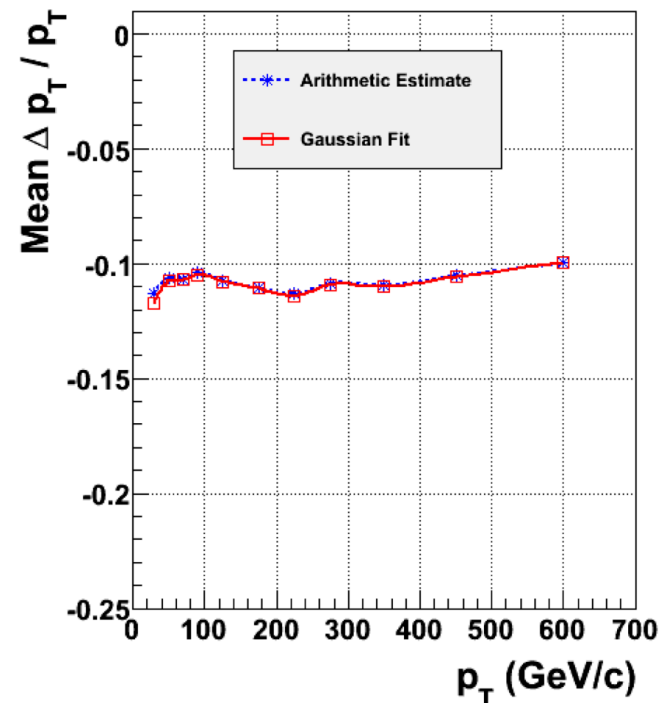
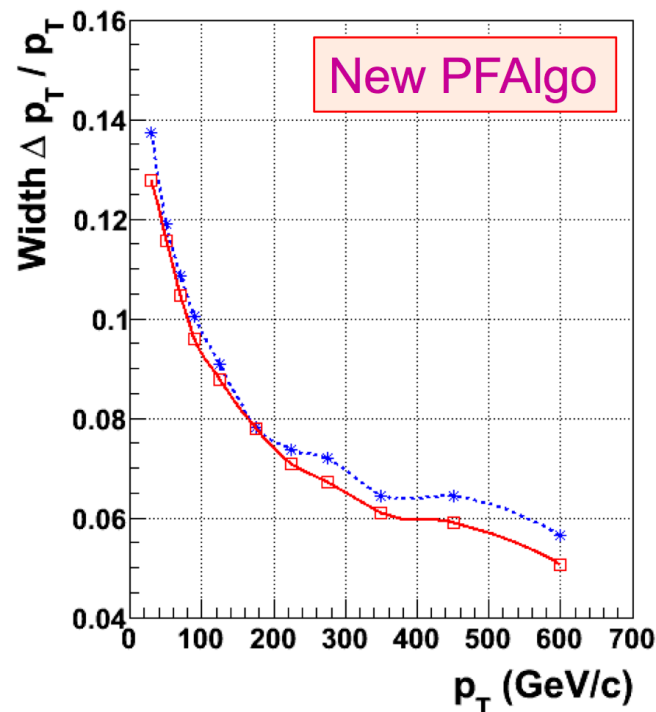
Low  $p_T$  Jet Studies 20'

Speaker: Michel Della Negra (CERN)

17:50 - 18:00

Application of Michel's changes to QCD Dijets 10'

Speaker: Patrick Janot (CERN)



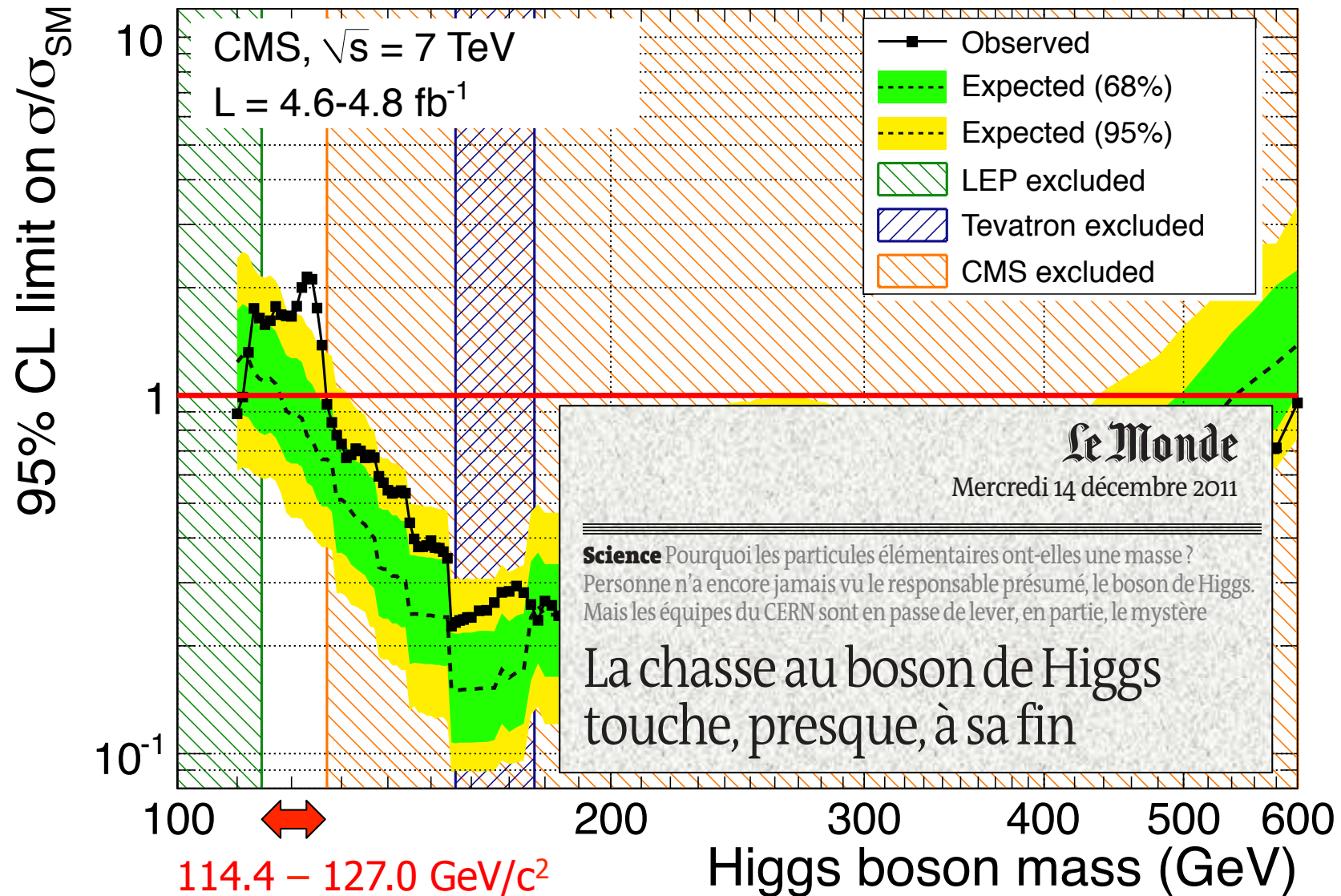


Making History ... and Drinking Champagne

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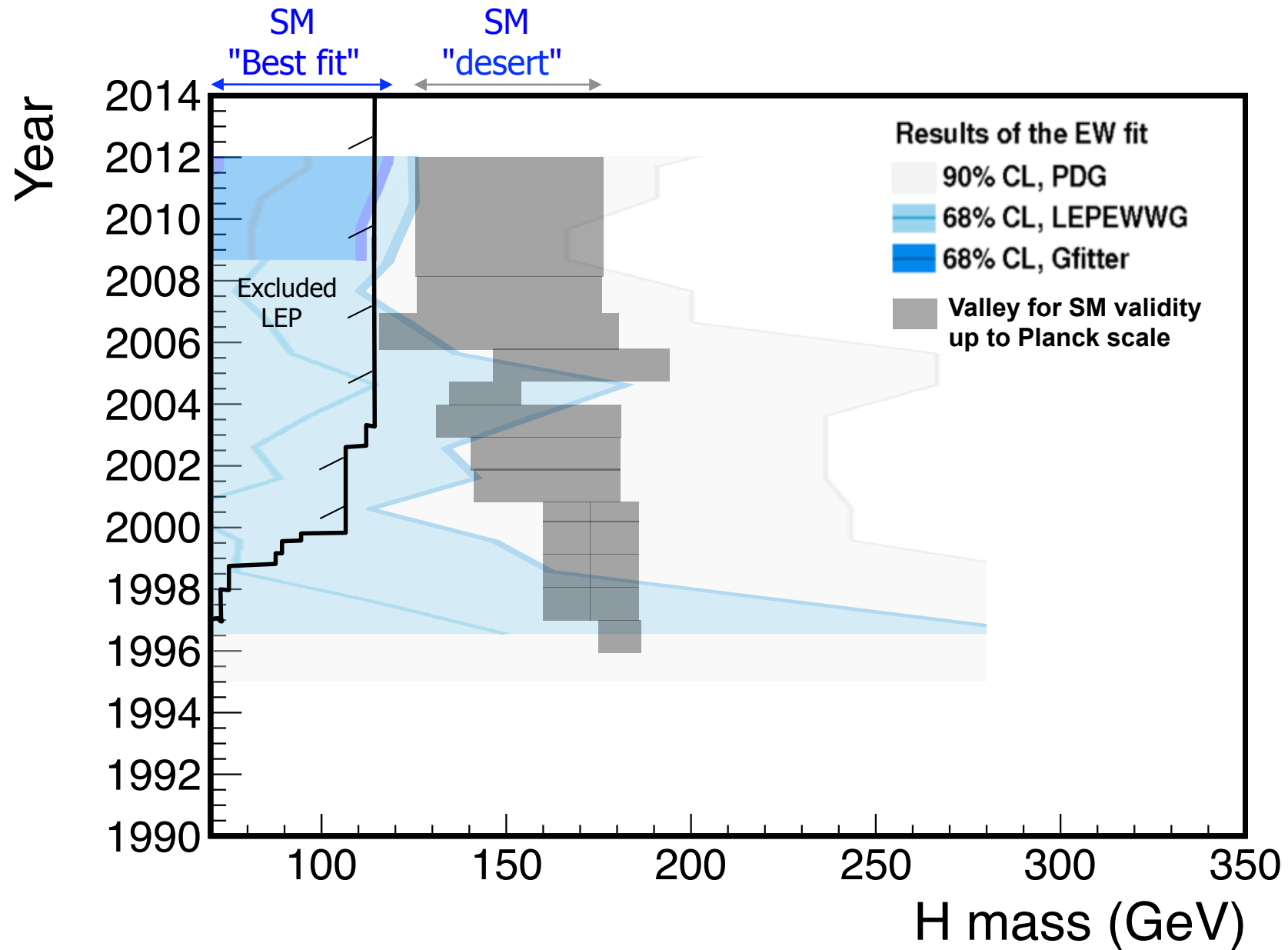
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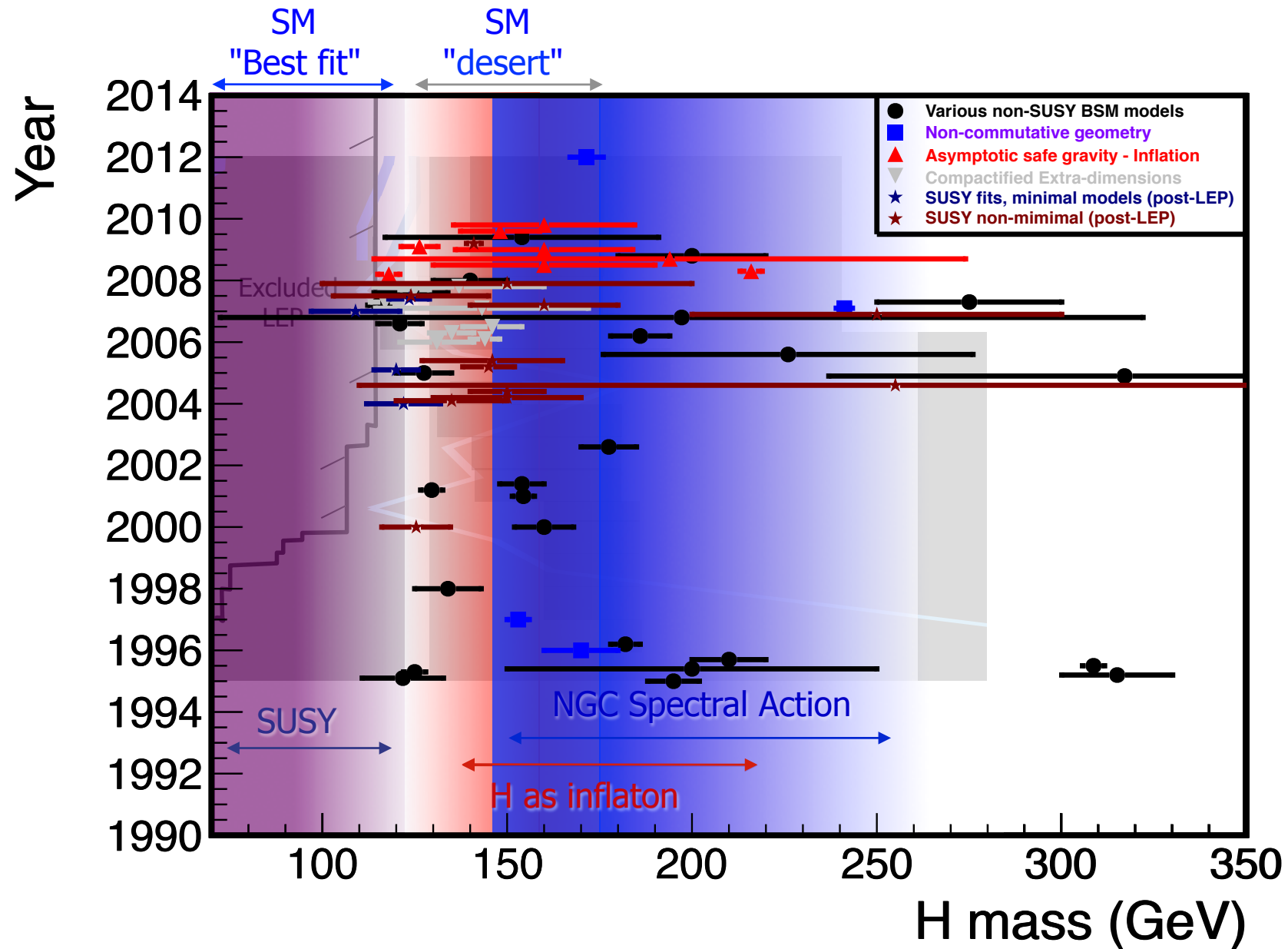
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Similar results from ATLAS

# The H boson mass : Theory vs Experiment



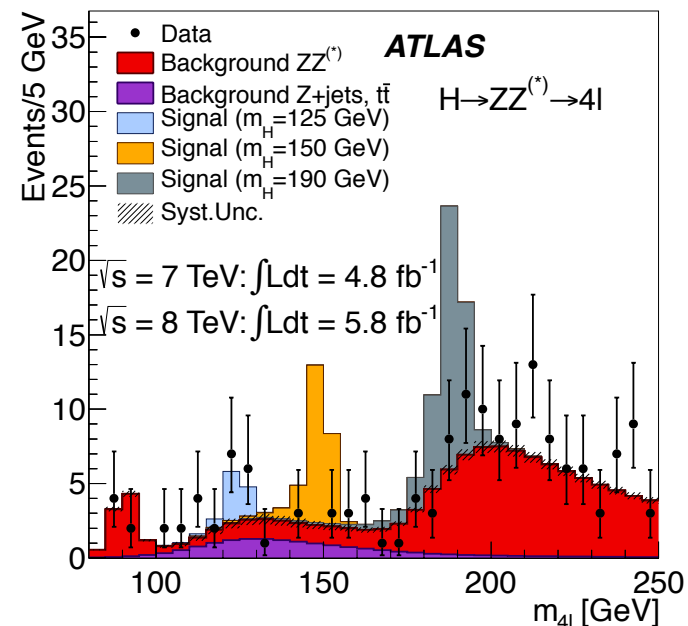
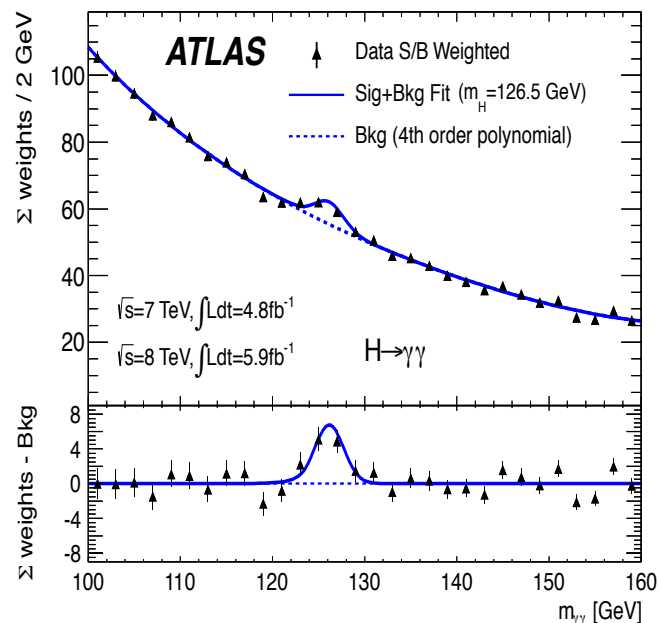
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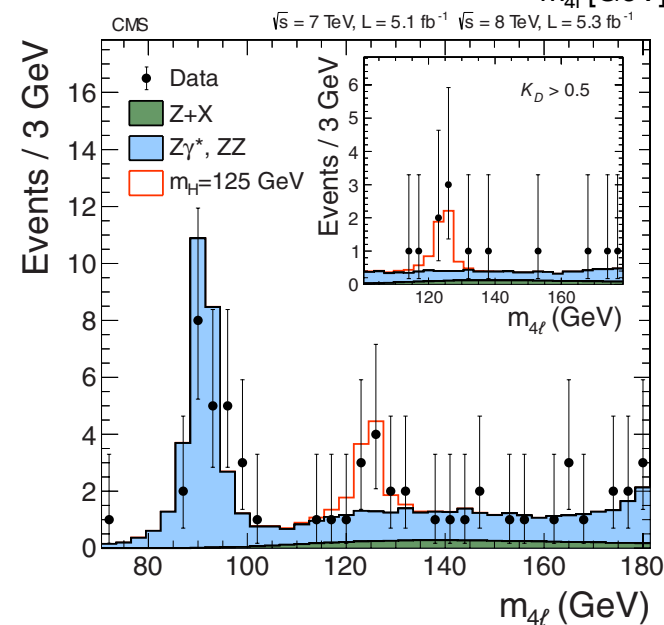
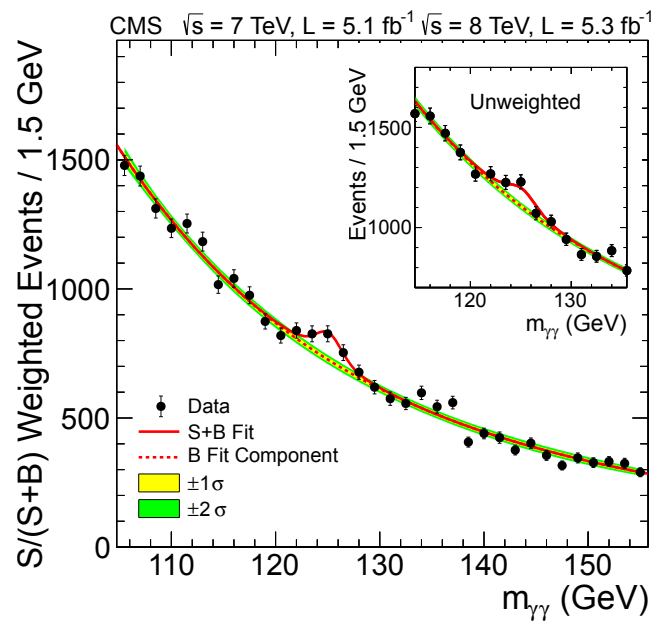
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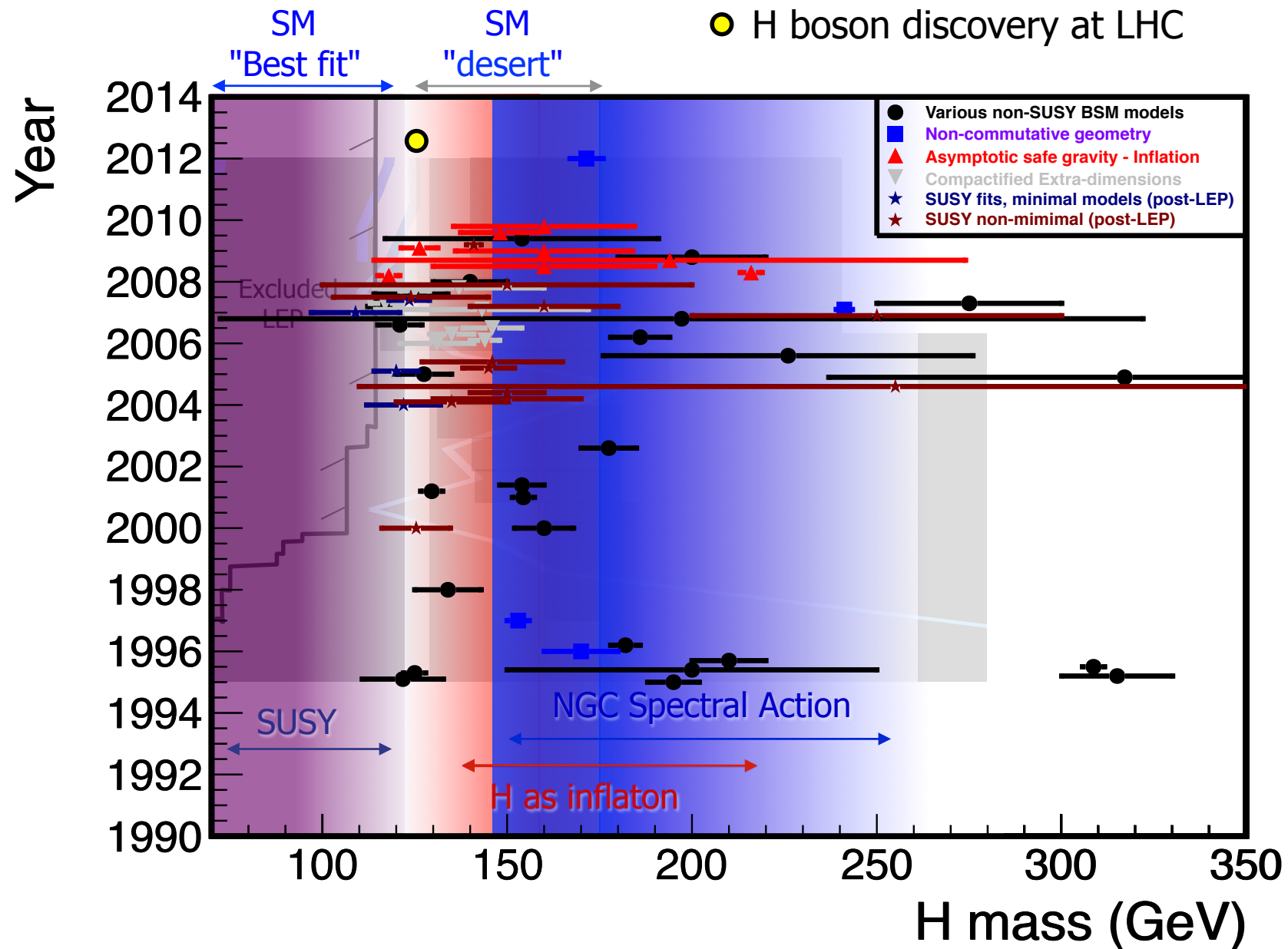
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Discovery at  $M_X \sim 125$  GeV, in both ATLAS and the CMS experiments combining  $X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $ZZ^*$  channels (additional evidence from  $X \rightarrow WW^*$ )

# The H boson mass : Theory vs Experiment



# **European Physical Society PRIZE**



## **The 2013 High Energy and Particle Physics Prize**

for an outstanding contribution to High Energy Physics

is awarded to the

## **ATLAS and CMS collaborations**

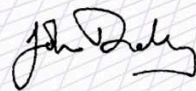
"for the discovery of a Higgs boson, as predicted by the Brout-Englert-Higgs mechanism"

and to

## **Michel Della Negra, Peter Jenni, and Tejinder Virdee**

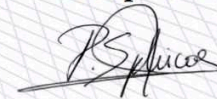
"for their pioneering and outstanding leadership rôles in the making of the ATLAS and CMS experiments"

**John Dudley**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Dudley'.

President  
European Physical Society

**Paris Sphicas**

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Chairman  
High Energy and Particle Physics Division

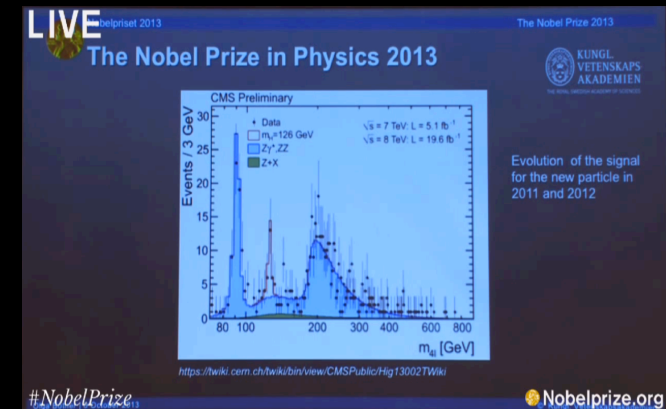
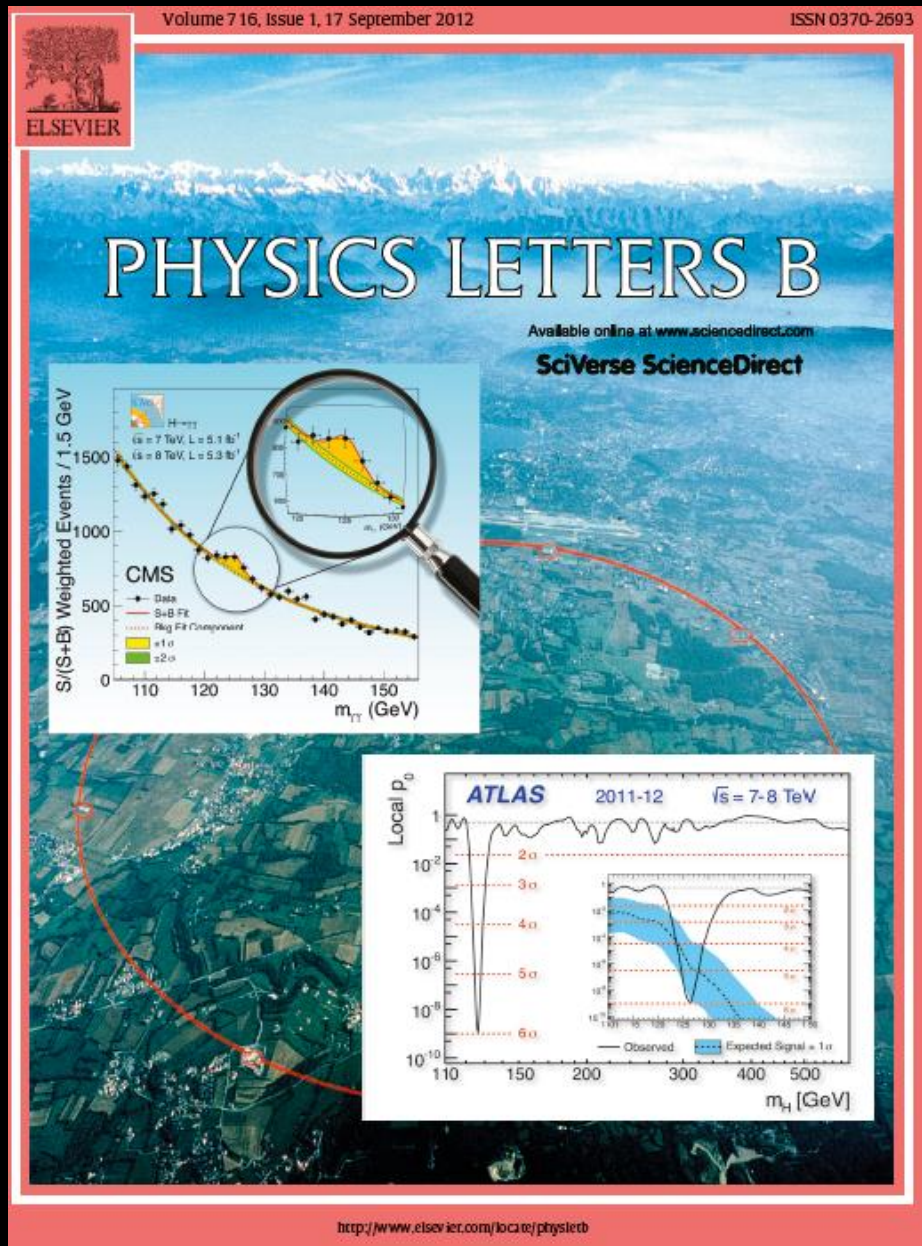
Stockholm, Sweden, July 2013



# From the Discovery to the Nobel Prize

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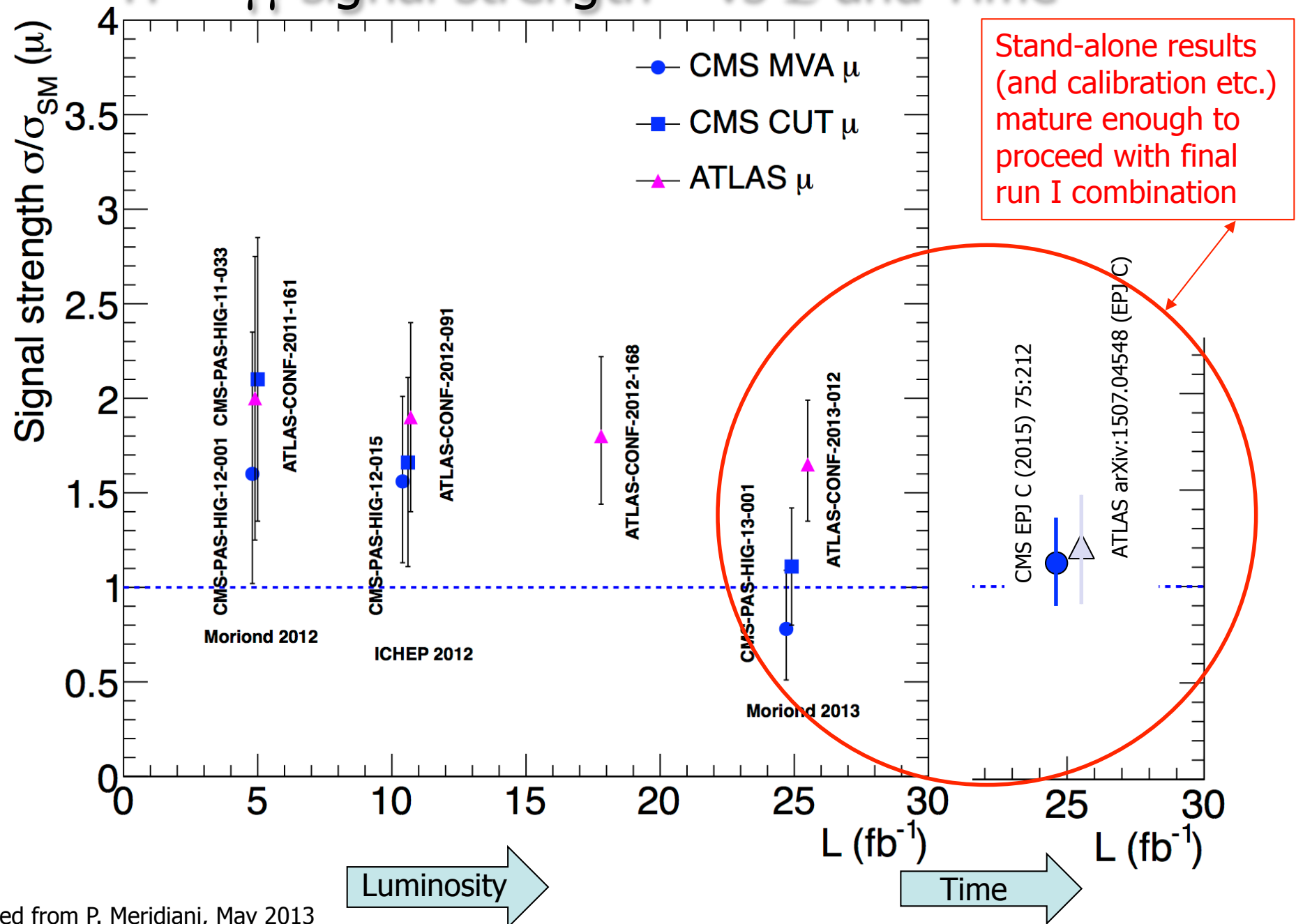


*"For the theoretical discovery of a mechanism that contributes to our understanding of the origin of mass of subatomic particles, and which recently was confirmed through the discovery of the predicted fundamental particle, by the ATLAS and CMS experiments at CERN's Large Hadron Collider"*

$\geq 5160$  citations / experiment so far

Reminder from yesterday

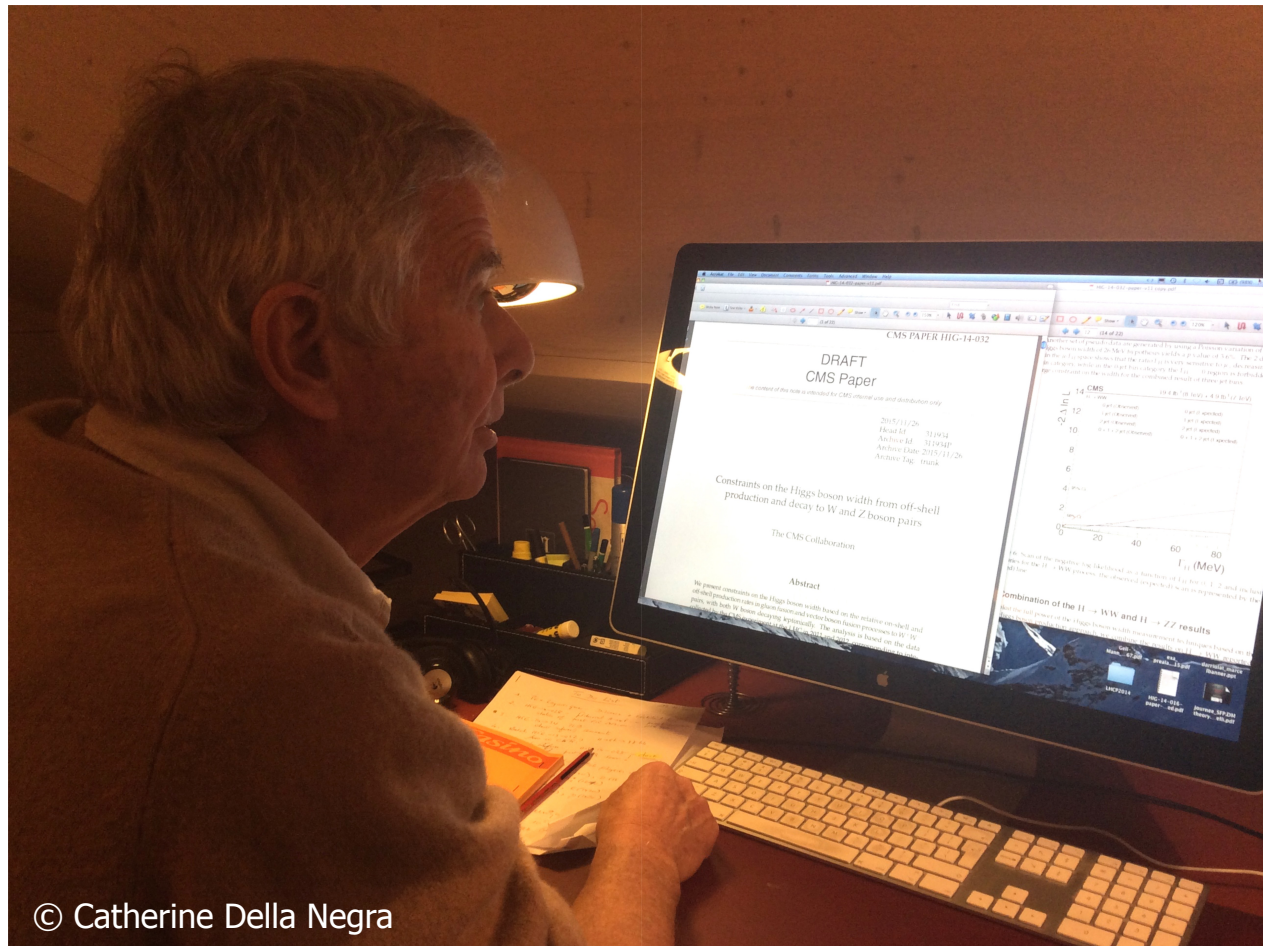
# $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ signal strength – vs $\mathcal{L}$ and Time



Adapted from P. Meridiani, May 2013

# Higgs Publication Committee

- Michel has been on the CMS Higgs publication committee since the origin and currently acts as the Chair
- No-one else in CMS has reviewed, read, commented, and influence has many CMS Higgs boson publications (63 published so far !)





# Christmas 2012 and the First H Spin-Parity Paper

**29 December 18h27**



De: "yves.sirois@cern.ch" <yves.sirois@cern.ch>  
Objet: Rép : CMS-HIG-12-041-003: Paper submitted to arXiv.org and the journal  
Date: 29 décembre 2012 18:27:19 UTC+1  
À: <Paraskevas.Sphicas@cern.ch>  
Cc: Michel Della Negra <Michel.Della.Negra@cern.ch>, Egidio Longo <egidio.longo@roma1.infn.it>, George Alverson <George.Alverson@cern.ch>, "John Conway" <John.Conway@cern.ch>

Thanks very much Paris,  
Thanks for the great care and help from the PubCom.  
And congratulations !

Cheers  
Yves

Le 29 déc. 2012 à 18:17, <Paraskevas.Sphicas@cern.ch> a écrit :

Dear CMS collaborators,  
The draft document may be found at this URL: <http://cds.cern.ch/record/1502670>  
It is version no. 3 entitled:

`On the mass and spin-parity of the Higgs boson candidate via its decays to  
Z boson pairs`  
<http://cms.cern.ch/iCMS/analysisadmin/cadi?ancode=HIG-12-041>  
This is the final version, submitted to the arXiv and the journal (PRL).

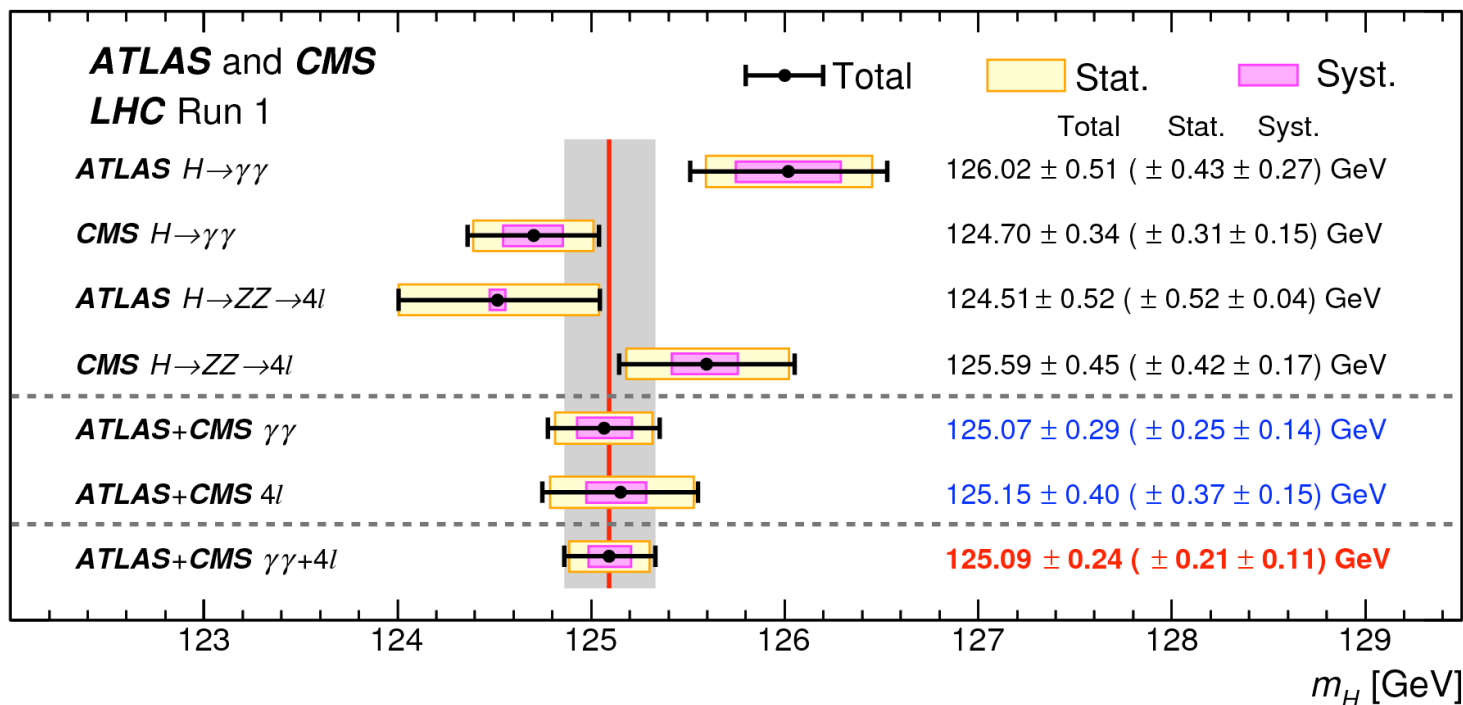
Kind regards,  
Michel Jean Della Negra, Egidio Longo  
PubComm-HIG chairs  
Paris Sphicas  
PubComm Cha

Paper sent to PRL !!!

Maybe a X-mass vacation next year ?

# H boson Mass – LHC Combination

- Mass measured with high precision in  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$  channels



- Some tension but opposite for  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $4\ell$  between ATLAS and CMS; (p-value  $\sim 10\%$ ) for the four measurements
- Very good agreement in the central values

$$m_H^{\gamma\gamma} = 125.07 \pm 0.29 \text{ GeV}$$

$$= 125.07 \pm 0.25 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.14 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$

$$m_H^{4\ell} = 125.15 \pm 0.40 \text{ GeV}$$

$$= 125.15 \pm 0.37 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.15 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$

$M_H = 125.09, \text{ narrow width, pure CP even state } (0^+)$

# Signal Strengths / Stand-Alone

- Consistently obtained here for the LHC mass  $M_H = 125.09$  GeV
- Some values differ slightly from those of [earlier publications](#)

Channel	References for individual publications		Signal strength [ $\mu$ ] from results in this paper (Section 5.2)		Signal significance [ $\sigma$ ]	
	ATLAS	CMS	ATLAS	CMS	ATLAS	CMS
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	[27]	[50]	$1.15^{+0.27}_{-0.25}$ ( $^{+0.26}_{-0.24}$ )	$1.12^{+0.25}_{-0.23}$ ( $^{+0.24}_{-0.22}$ )	5.0 (4.6)	5.6 (5.1)
$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$	[51]	[52]	$1.51^{+0.39}_{-0.34}$ ( $^{+0.33}_{-0.27}$ )	$1.05^{+0.32}_{-0.27}$ ( $^{+0.31}_{-0.26}$ )	6.6 (5.5)	7.0 (6.8)
$H \rightarrow WW$	[53, 54]	[55]	$1.23^{+0.23}_{-0.21}$ ( $^{+0.21}_{-0.20}$ )	$0.91^{+0.24}_{-0.21}$ ( $^{+0.23}_{-0.20}$ )	6.8 (5.8)	4.8 (5.6)
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	[56]	[57]	$1.41^{+0.40}_{-0.35}$ ( $^{+0.37}_{-0.33}$ )	$0.89^{+0.31}_{-0.28}$ ( $^{+0.31}_{-0.29}$ )	4.4 (3.3)	3.4 (3.7)
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	[37]	[38]	$0.62^{+0.37}_{-0.36}$ ( $^{+0.39}_{-0.37}$ )	$0.81^{+0.45}_{-0.42}$ ( $^{+0.45}_{-0.43}$ )	1.7 (2.7)	2.0 (2.5)
$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$	[58]	[59]	$-0.7 \pm 3.6$ ( $\pm 3.6$ )	$0.8 \pm 3.5$ ( $\pm 3.5$ )		
$t\bar{t}H$ production	[60–62]	[64]	$1.9^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$ ( $^{+0.72}_{-0.66}$ )	$2.9^{+1.0}_{-0.9}$ ( $^{+0.88}_{-0.80}$ )	2.7 (1.6)	3.6 (1.3)

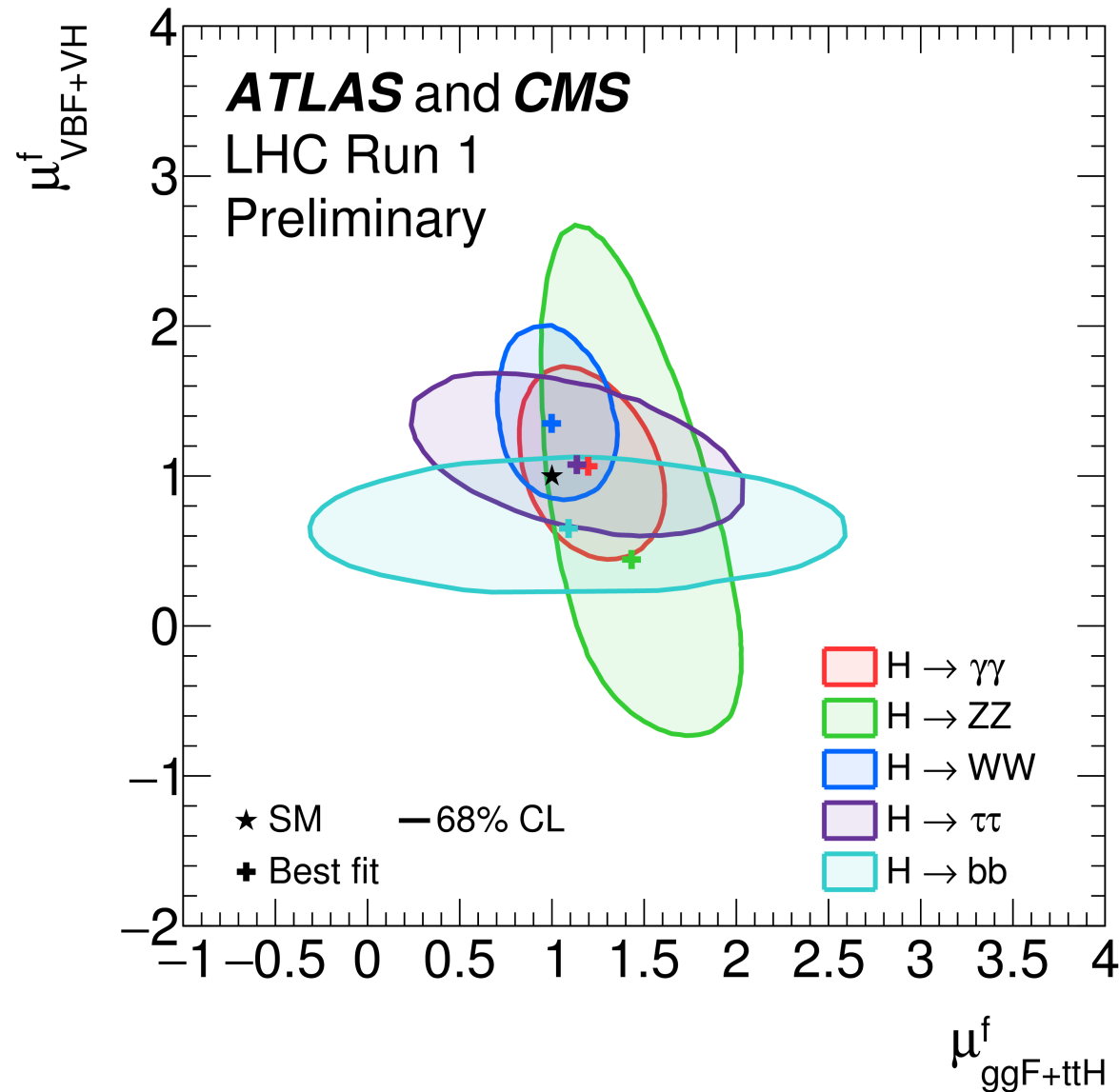
Measured  
(expected)



Slight  $t\bar{t}H$  prod. excess ... and slight  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  decay deficit



# Signal Strength $\mu$ : Production and Decay (2)



- Assume that  $\mu_F^f$  and  $m_V^f$  are the same for  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and 8 TeV
- 10-parameter fit of  $\mu_F^f$  and  $m_V^f$  for each of the 5 decay channels

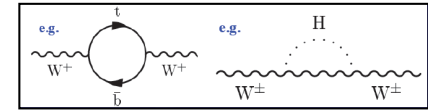
p-value of 88% for the compatibility with SM expectation !!

## Reminder from yesterday

# State of the Art

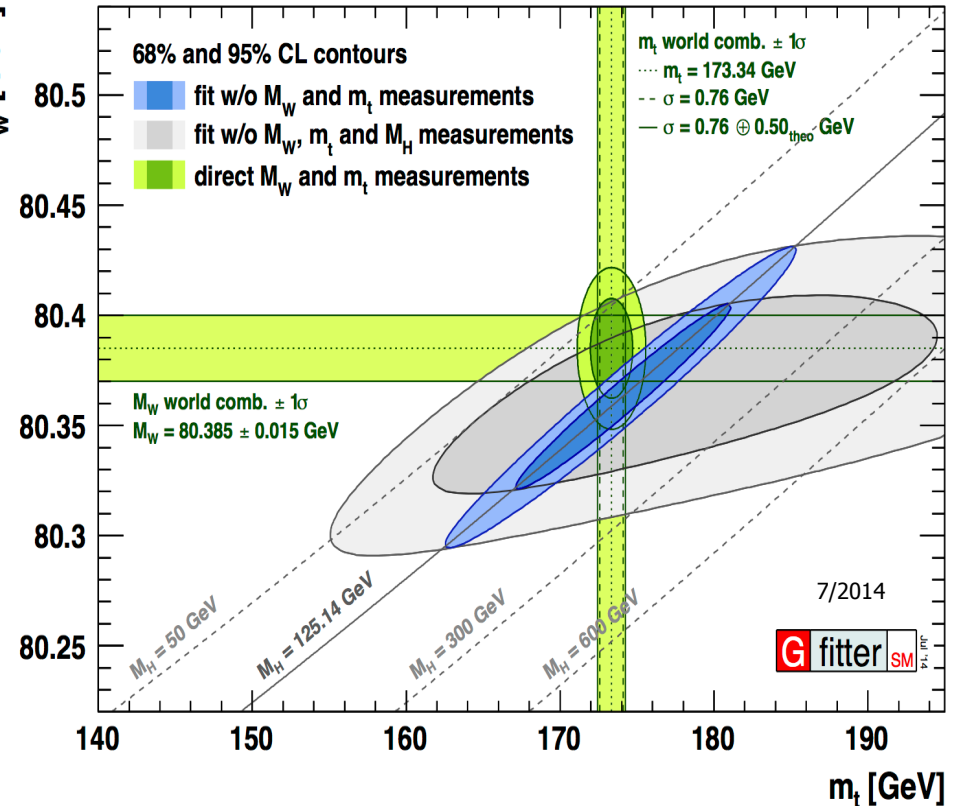
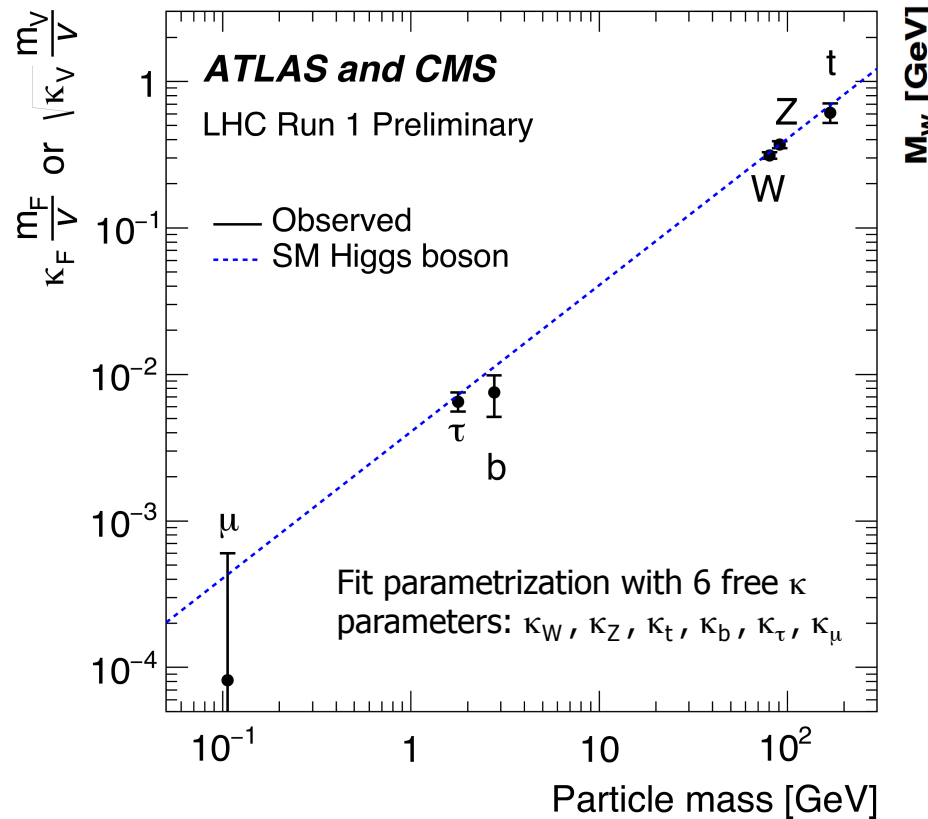
Couplings to fermions and to weak bosons  
(verified to  $\sim 15\text{-}30\%$  precision)

Rad. corrections:



Run I Legacy  $M_H = 125.09 \pm 0.24$  GeV

$W$ ,  $Z$  meas. sensitive to  $M_{\text{top}}$   $M_H$



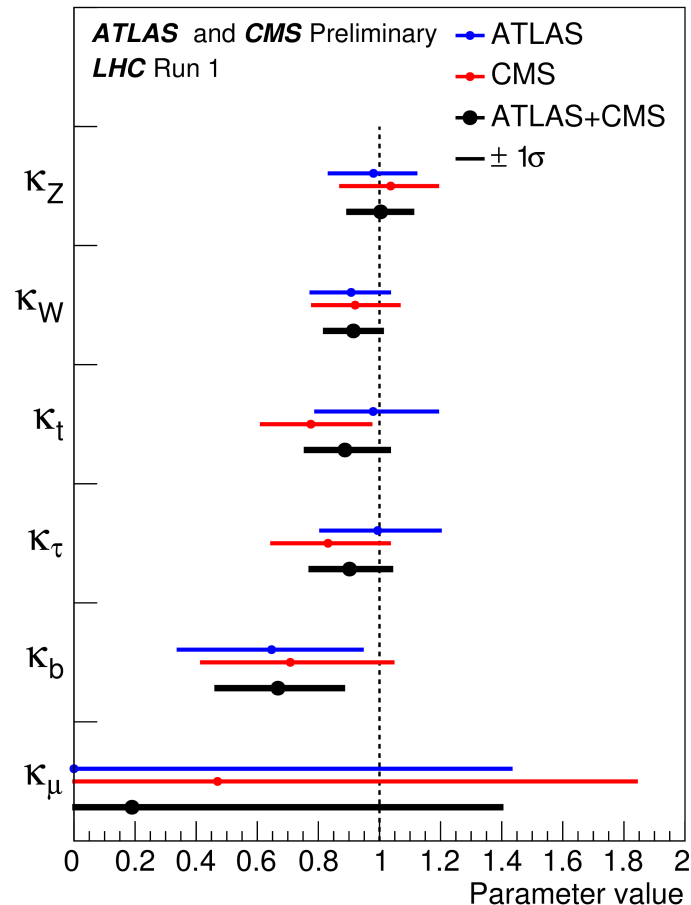
- SM-like Higgs at  $\sim 125$  GeV is compatible with global EWK data at  $1.3\sigma$  ( $p = 0.18$ )
- Indirect constraints now superior to some precise direct  $W$ ,  $Z$  measurements

Indirect (EWK fit):  $M_W = 80.359 \pm 0.011$

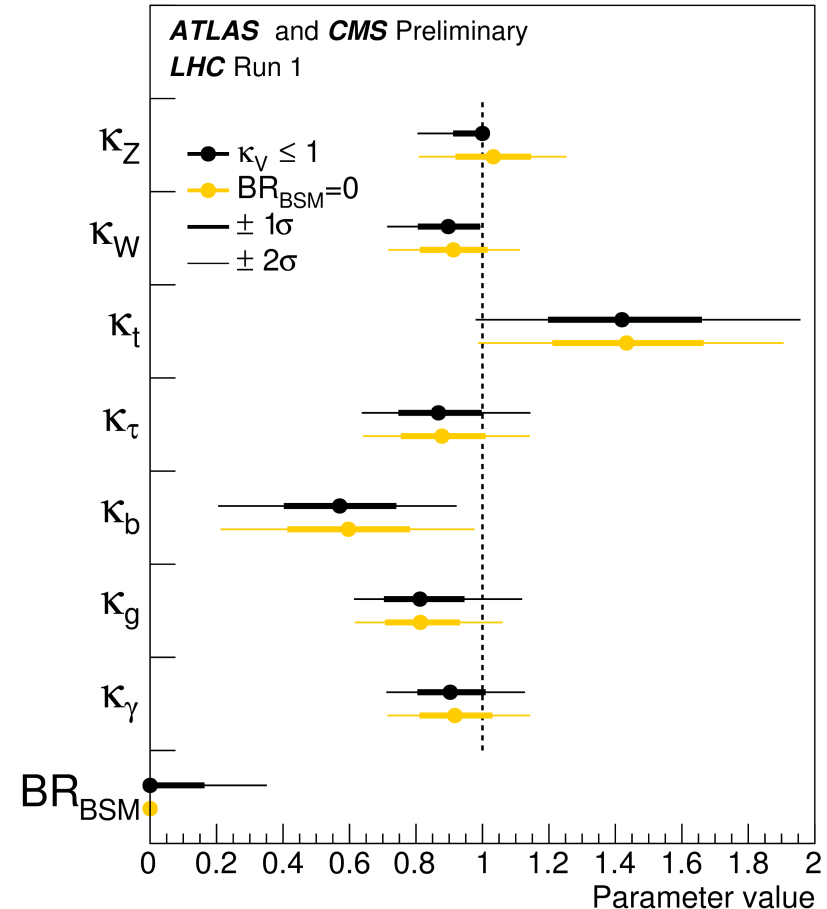
Direct (World average):  $M_W = 80.385 \pm 0.015$

# Test SM Couplings to Fermions and Bosons

Assuming no BSM in the loops:  
i.e. assume SM for  $\kappa_\gamma$  and  $\kappa_g$



Allowing for BSM in the loops:  
i.e. allow effective couplings for  $\kappa_\gamma$  and  $\kappa_g$



- Signal strengths in different channels are consistent with 1 (SM)
- Tension: Excess at  $2.3\sigma$  level for  $t\bar{t}H$      Deficit of  $2.4\sigma$  in  $BR^{bb}/BR^{ZZ}$



# The H Boson discovery is now firmly established

A truly astonishing achievement !

- Our understanding **has evolved from the question of the *structure of matter* to that of the *very origin of interactions* (local gauge symmetries) and *matter* (interactions with Higgs field)**
- We understand the **quantum origin of mass** for particles (scalar field, BEH mechanism) and for hadrons (dynamics in the strong sector)
- Ignoring gravitation, we have for the first time in the history of science a **theory** which is at least **in principle complete, consistent, and coherent at all scales** ... (up to the Planck scale ?)
- The History of the early universe (and the nature of vacuum) is changed

But ...

- The H boson is not a gauge boson  
(its mass is not protected by symmetries of the theory)
- The H boson mass (and the H self-coupling) is arbitrary

# The H Boson discovery is now firmly established

It is not over !

- The complexity of the Standard Model is encoded a scalar sector

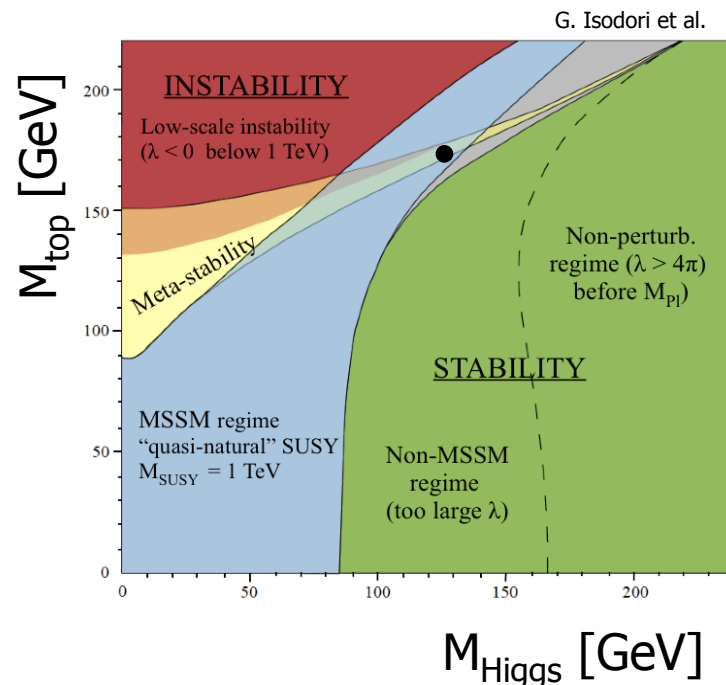
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{gauge}}(A_a, \psi_i) + \mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs (Symm. Break.)}}(\phi, A_a, \psi_i)$$

**Natural**

verified with high precision; stable and highly symmetric (gauge and flavour symmetries)

**Ad hoc**

Necessary (other mass terms forbidden by EWK gauge symmetries); QM unstable; at the origin of flavour structure and all other problems of the SM



Can we avoid the arbitrariness of the Higgs sector ? (get self-coupling via gauge sector ?)

Does nature requires an extended scalar sector ?


Can we avoid a Hierarchy problem relative to Planck scale ?


We have found particles of spin 0,  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and 1; where are the spin 2 particles connected to gravitation ? (extra-dimension ?)



**Thank you  
Michel !**

**ATLAS and CMS physics results from Run 2**

 **Tuesday, 15 December 2015 from 15:00 to 17:00 (Europe/Zurich)**

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