



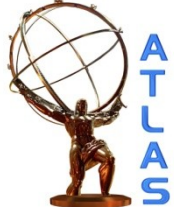
# $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$ analysis with ATLAS detector at LHC

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# New results. Outline



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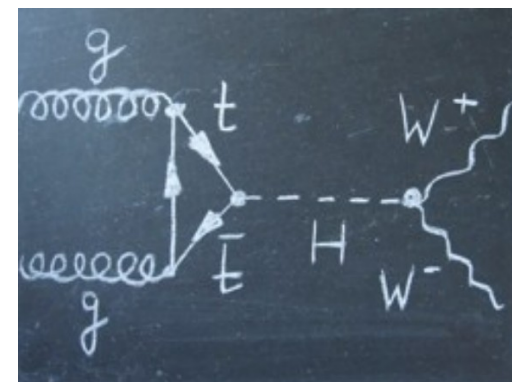
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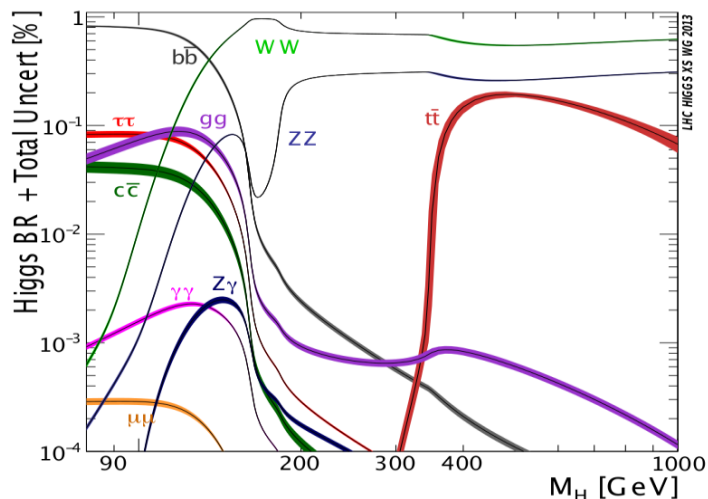
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- Update to the full LHC 2012 dataset (20.7/fb)
- Improved 0/1-jet ggF analyses:
  - Previous results (13/fb) systematic limited
  - Changes address sources of systematic uncertainties
- First VBF results
- Extension of results to ee/ $\mu\mu$  channels
  - New analysis technique to estimate  $Z/\gamma^*$  background

- Motivation / Analysis strategy
- Event selection
  - e $\mu$  0-jet channel
  - VBF channel
- Including Same Flavour Lepton Channel
- Results



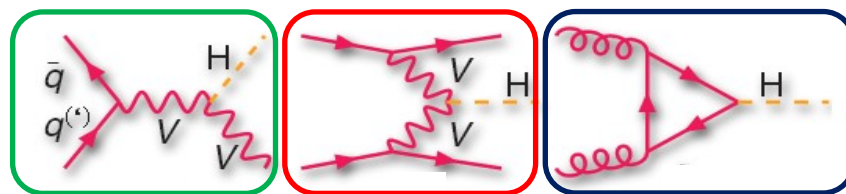
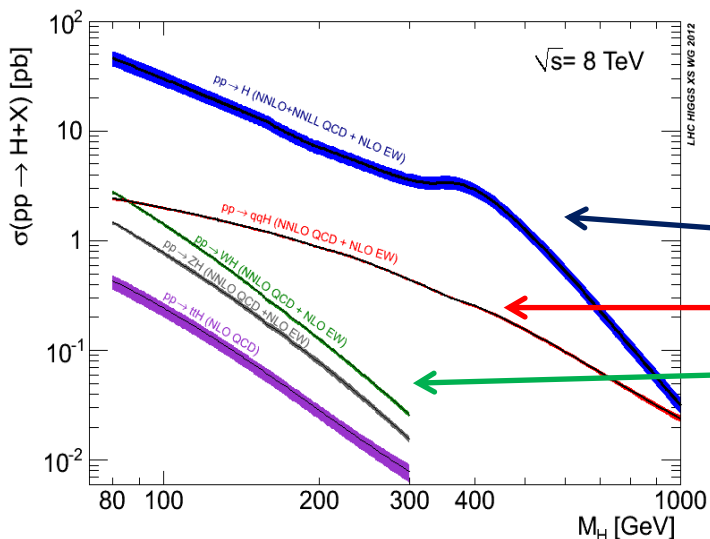


→ Large Higgs boson production cross section over wide and relevant range of  $M_H$

- $ee/e\mu/\mu\mu$  + missing  $E_T$  signature
- Sensitive SM Higgs search channel

The challenges,

- Many background (both irreducible and reducible)
- Poor mass resolution (due to 2 escaping  $\nu$ )



Different signal production mechanisms:

**gluon fusion**

**VBF**

**associated production**

lead to different kinematic signatures and jet multiplicities

## → Event signature

di-lepton (  $e / \mu$  ) with missing  $E_T$  signature  
 $P_T > 25 \text{ GeV} / 15 \text{ GeV}$  (single-lepton triggers)  
 $m_{ll} > 10 \text{ GeV}$

## → Analysis performed in 4-channels

**Different Flavour (  $e\mu / \mu e$  )**

**Same Flavour (  $ee / \mu\mu$  )**

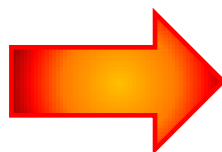
High pile-up → degraded MET resolution

## → Split by Jet-multiplicity

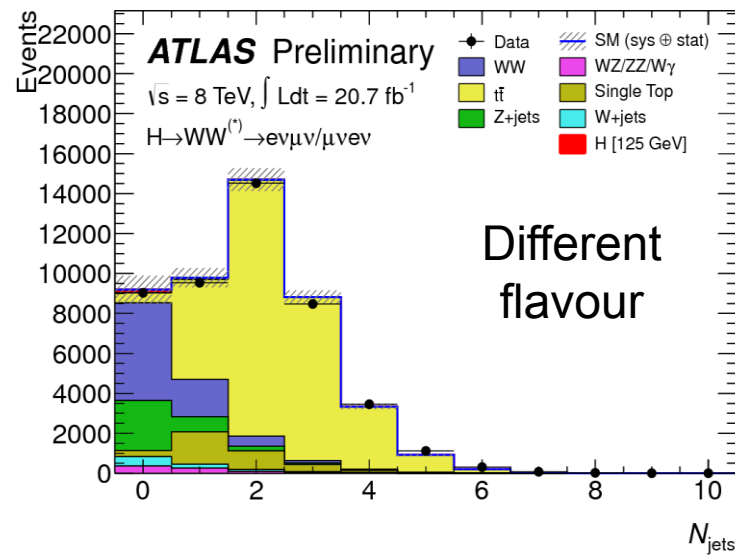
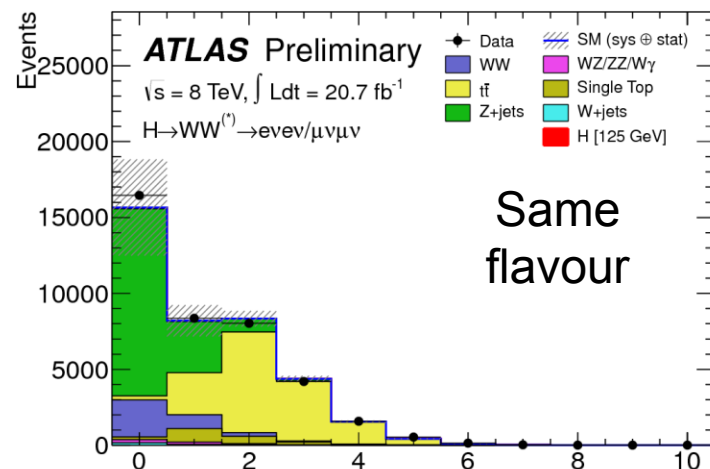
0 : Dominated by **WW** and **Z/ $\gamma^*$ +jets**

1 : Dominated by **WW** and **top**

$\geq 2$  : Dominated by **top**



ggF sensitivity driven by 0-jet  $e\mu$   
 VBF sensitivity driven by 2-jet  $e\mu$   
**Focus talk on these results**





# H → WW → lνlν Analysis Strategy



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**Challenge: many backgrounds**

**Z+jets:** lepton pair + fake MET

- Require Large MET
- Reject events consistent with Z mass peak

**Top:** WW produced with 2 b-jets

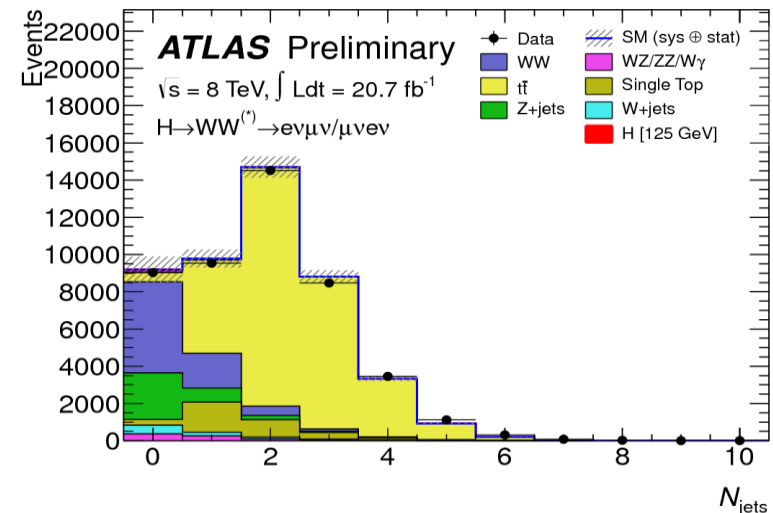
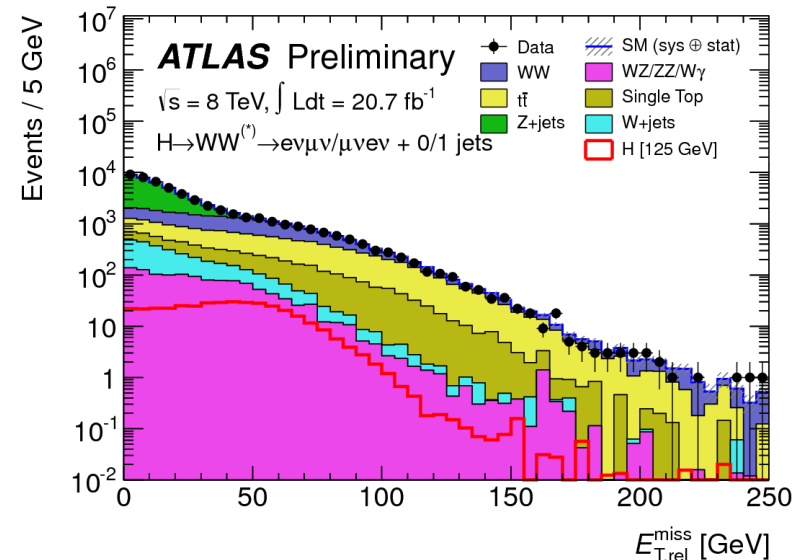
- Jet Veto

**W+Jets:** lepton with MET + fake lepton

- Isolation / lepton identification

**Other Diboson:** WZ, ZZ, Wγ

- Remove events with > 2 leptons





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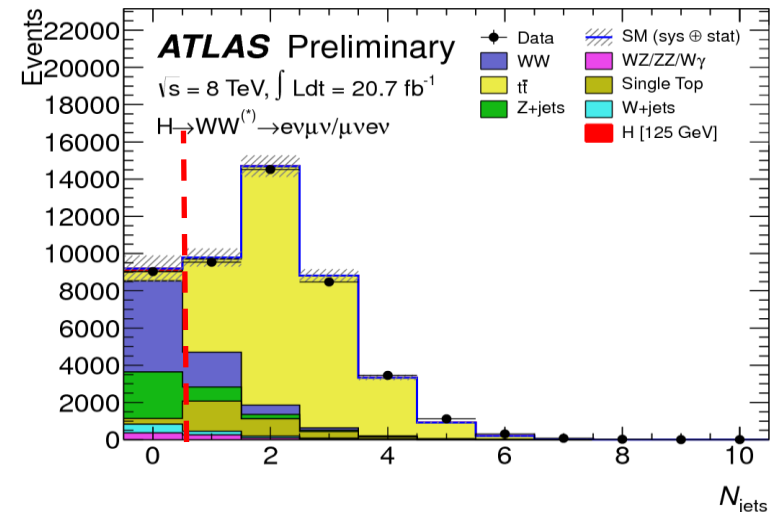
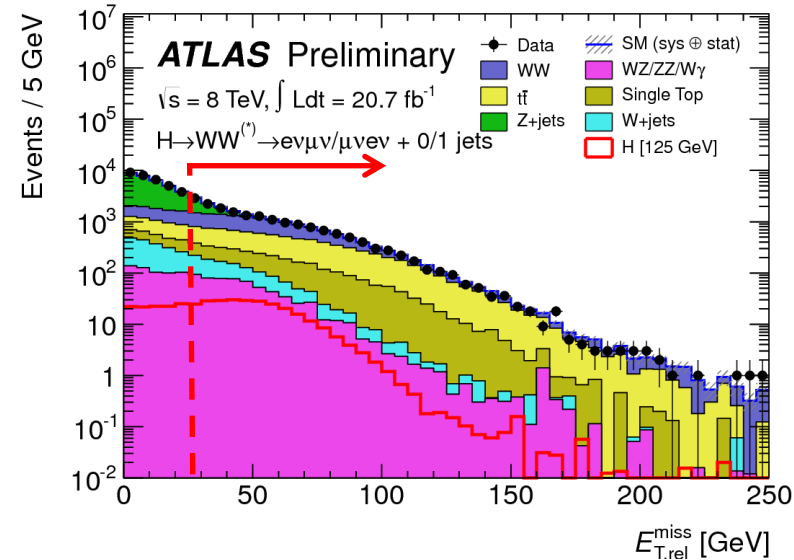
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**Top:** WW produced with 2 b-jets

- Jet Veto

- Large backgrounds but reduced with Event Selection
- Modeled by MC
- Corrected to Data in CRs





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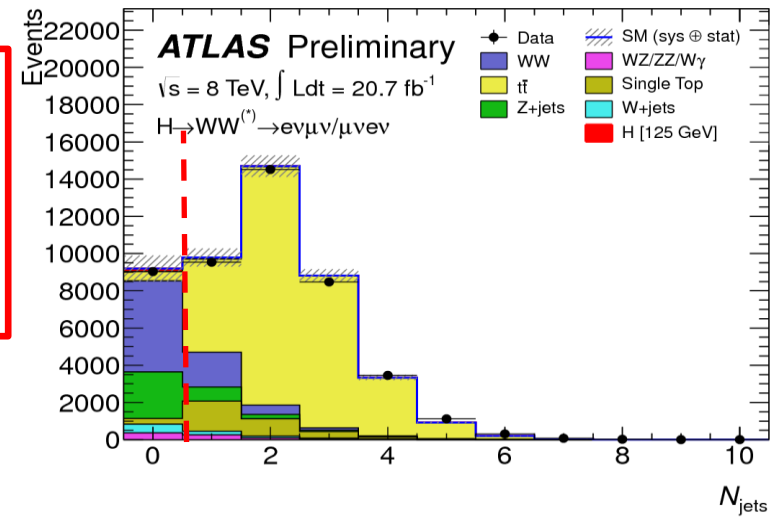
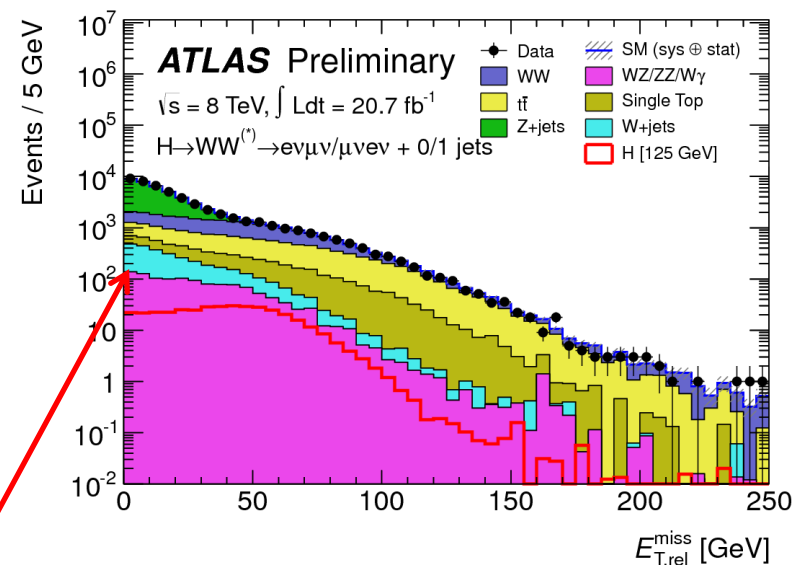
- Important → shape is signal like after event selection
- Small, but not suppressed with Event Selection
- Difficult to model lepton fake rate in MC
- Use Data-Driven method

**W+Jets:** lepton with MET + fake lepton

- Isolation / lepton identification

Other Diboson: WZ, ZZ, Wγ

- Remove events with > 2leptons





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## Challenge: many backgrounds

### Z+jets: lepton pair + fake MET

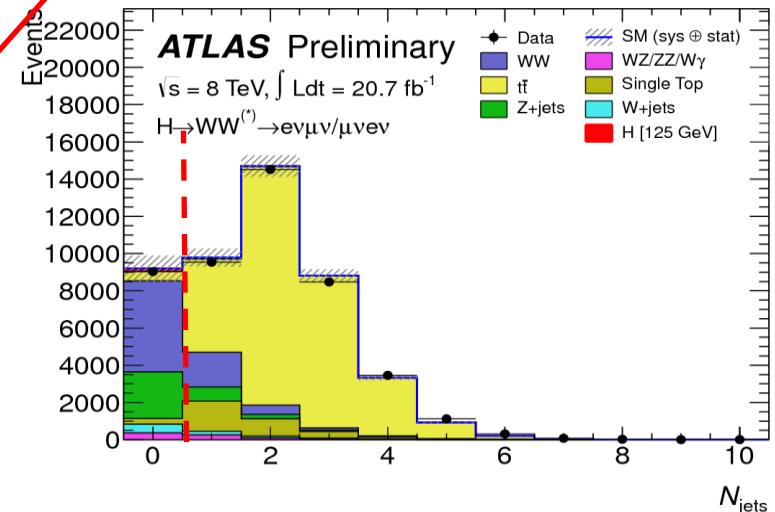
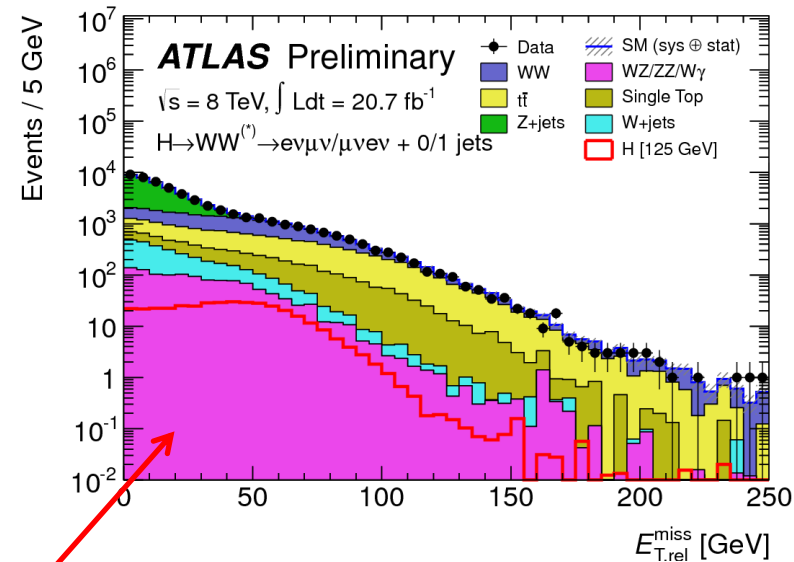
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# H → WW → lν Analysis Strategy



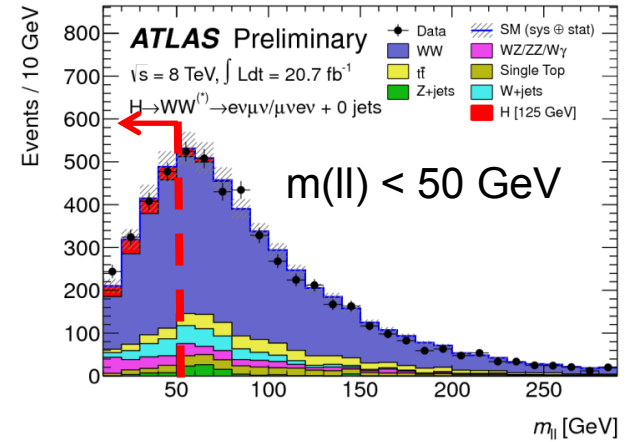
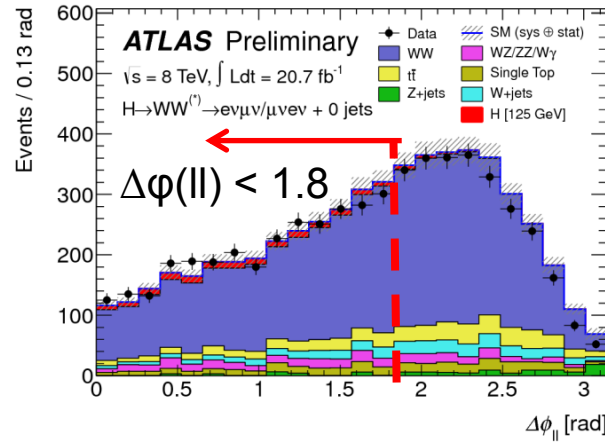
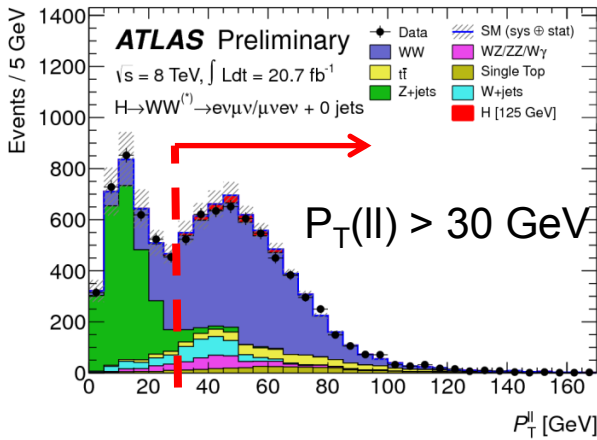
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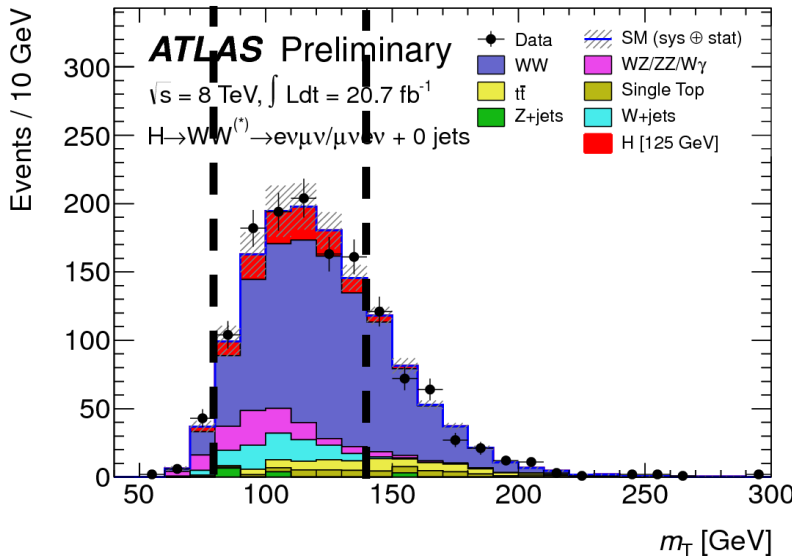
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## Kinematic selection exploits Spin 0 Nature of Higgs boson:



WW  
Other  
Diboson  
Zjets  
Wjets  
Top  
Signal



**Separate H → WW from non-resonant WW production**

Final results obtained from binned likelihood fits to  $M_T$  distribution

$$m_T^2 = \left( \sqrt{m_{ll}^2 + |\vec{p}_{T_{ll}}|^2} + E_T^{miss} \right)^2 - \left( \vec{p}_{T_{ll}} + \vec{E}_T^{miss} \right)^2$$

5 (3) bins for 0-jet (1-jet)



Run 214680, Event 271333760  
17 Nov 2012 07:42:05 CET

Candidate event for  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu + 2 \text{ jets}$  produced via VBF,  $qq \rightarrow Hqq$

$m_{jj} = 1.5 \text{ TeV}$   
 $DY_{jj} = 6.6$   
 $m_{ll} = 21 \text{ GeV}$   
 $m_T = 95 \text{ GeV}$

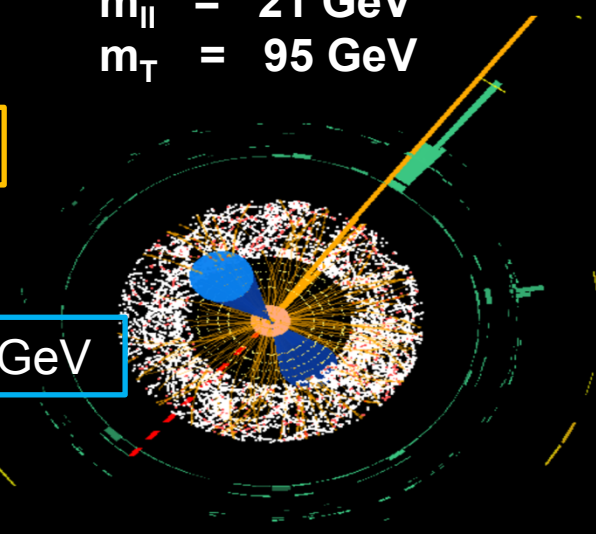
$p_T(e) = 51 \text{ GeV}$

$p_T(\mu) = 15 \text{ GeV}$

$p_T(\text{jet1}) = 68 \text{ GeV}$

$p_T(\text{jet2}) = 42 \text{ GeV}$

Missing  $E_T = 33 \text{ GeV}$





# VBF Event Selection



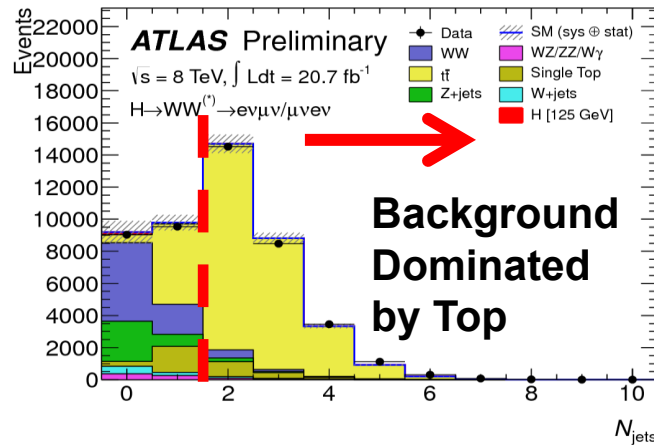
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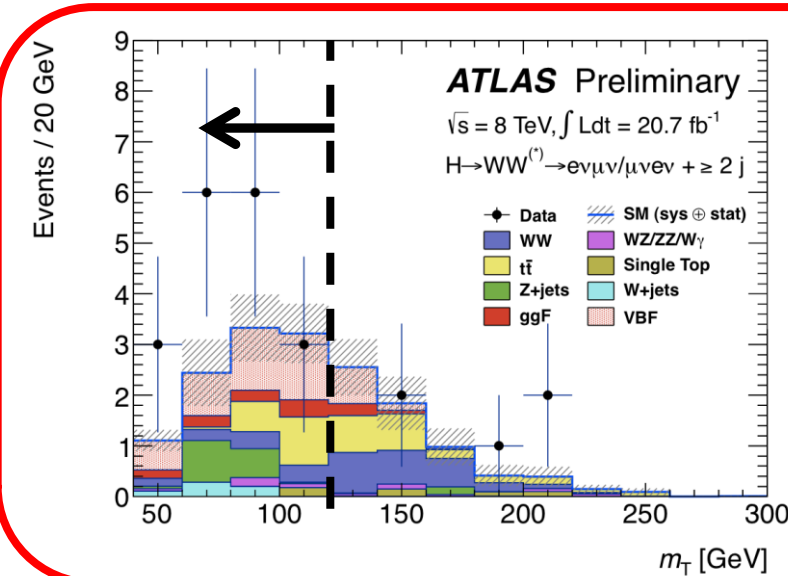
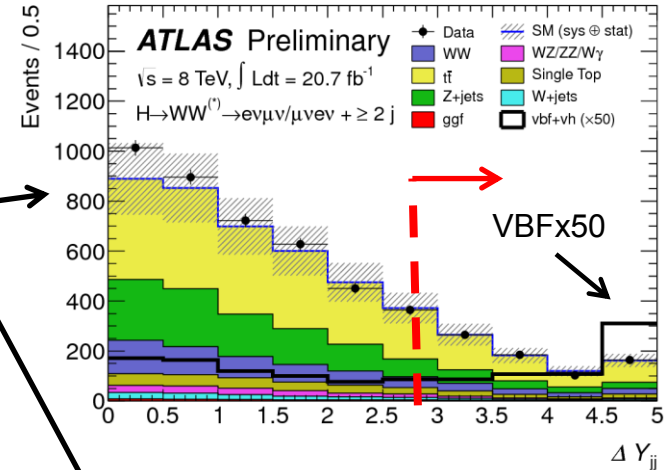
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## VBF signature: WW + 2 forward jets



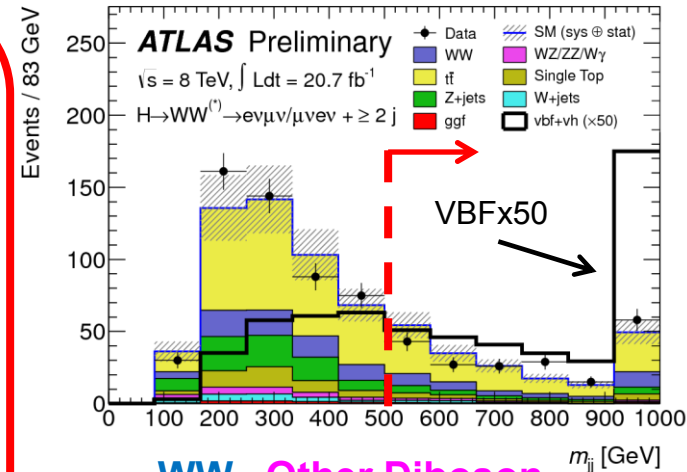
### Additional Event Selection

- b-tag veto
- $P_T(\text{tot}) < 45 \text{ GeV}$
- $\Delta Y_{jj} > 2.8$
- $M_{jj} > 500 \text{ GeV}$
- No additional central jets
- Require central leptons

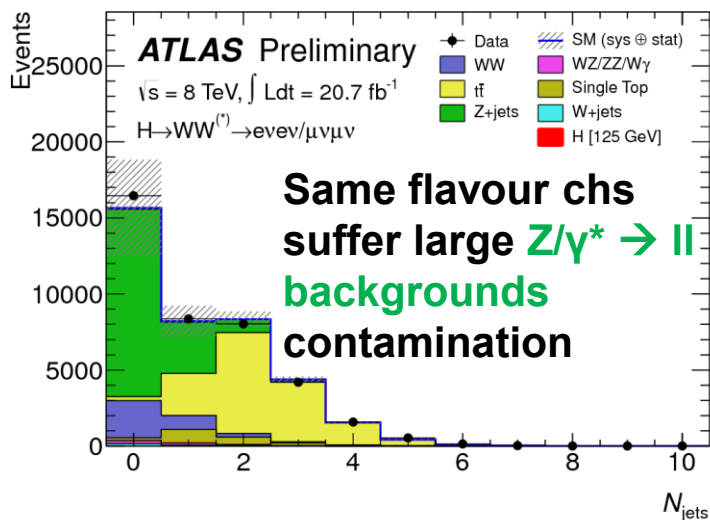


### $m_T$ after VBF signal selection

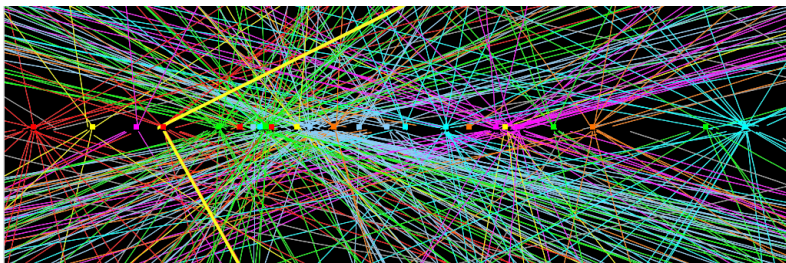
Exp Signal	$5.0 \pm 0.1$
Total Bkg	$10 \pm 1$
<b>Observed</b>	<b>20</b>



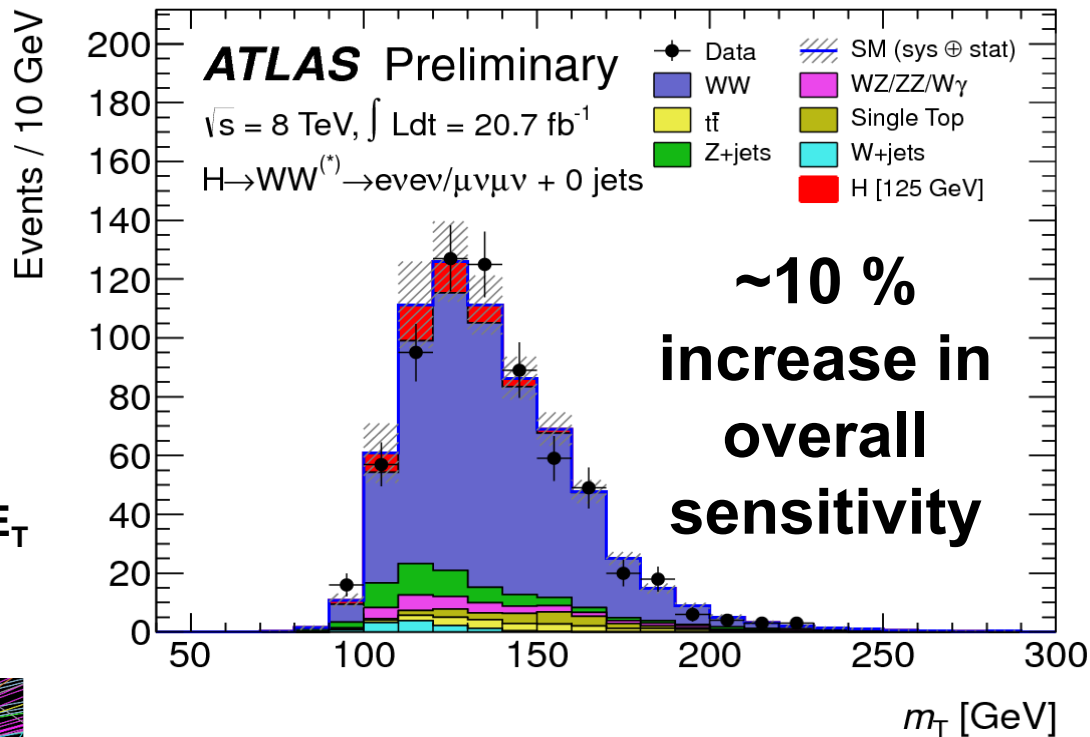
WW Other Diboson  
Zjets Wjets Top



- Primarily suppressed with Missing  $E_T$
- Large Pile-up degrades Missing  $E_T$  resolution...



A candidate Z boson event in the dimuon decay with 25 reconstructed vertices



- Adopt harder Missing  $E_T$  selection  
 30% acceptance relative to OF ch
- Dedicated data-driven method to understand residual  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow ll$  bkg



# 2012+2011 Combined Results



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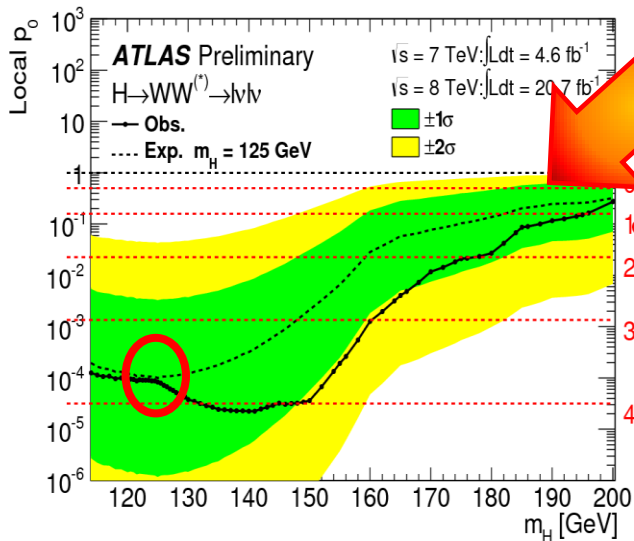
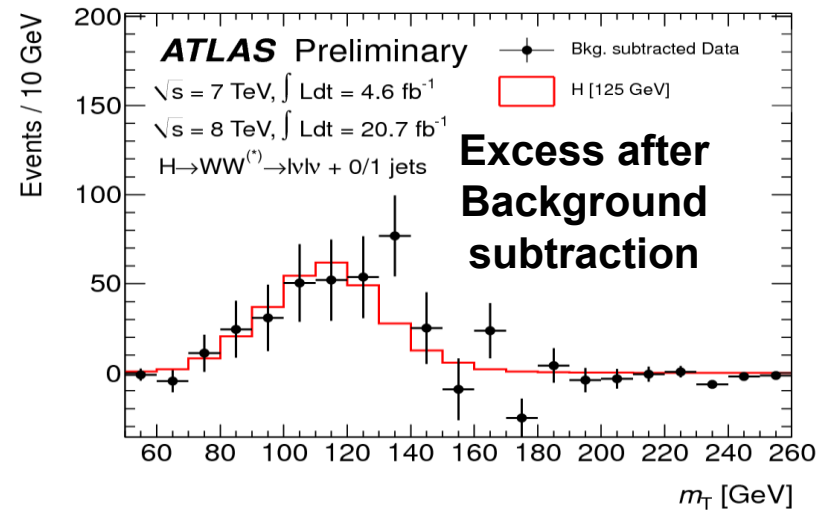
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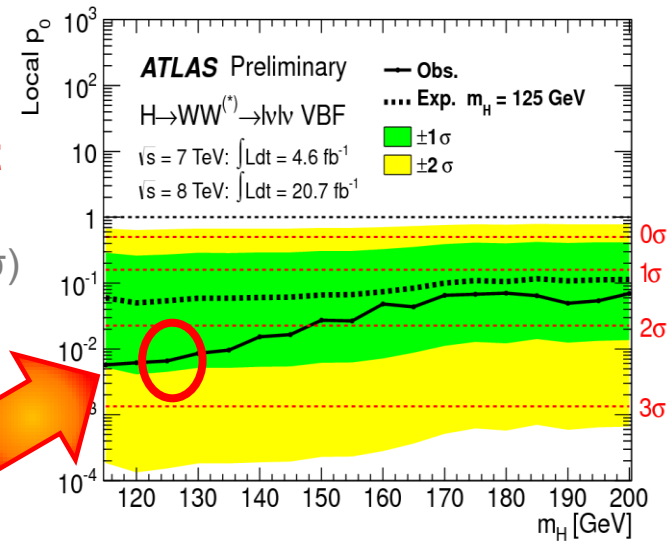
		Signal expectation	Total Bkg	Data
8TeV	0 jet	$97 \pm 20$	$739 \pm 39$	831
	1jet	$40 \pm 13$	$261 \pm 28$	309
	2 jet	$10.6 \pm 1.4$	$36 \pm 4$	55
7TeV	0 jet	$25 \pm 5$	$161 \pm 11$	154
	1jet	$7 \pm 2$	$47 \pm 6$	62
	2 jet	$1.4 \pm 0.2$	$4.6 \pm 0.8$	2

Numbers quoted for  $0.75 m_H < m_T$   
 $< m_H$  with  $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$   
 $(m_T < 1.2 m_H \text{ for } 2\text{-jet})$



**0/1jet** → The excess is observed in  $m_H < 150 \text{ GeV}$  with a significance of  $3.8\sigma$  at  $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$  (expected significance is  $3.7\sigma$ )

**VBF** → the significance of the excess is  $2.5\sigma$  at  $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$  (the expected value is 1.6)



The  $p_0$  is the given probability for the background-only scenario as a function of  $m_H$

- Presentation of  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$  results with full Run I data set

- 20.7/fb at  $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{TeV}$  in 2012 and 4.6/fb at 7TeV in 2011 collected with the ATLAS detector at the LHC

- Updated Results (included Same Flavour channels)

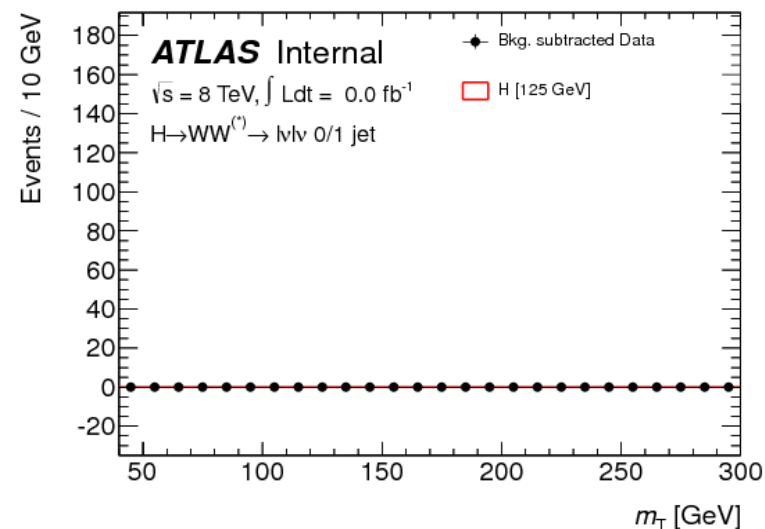
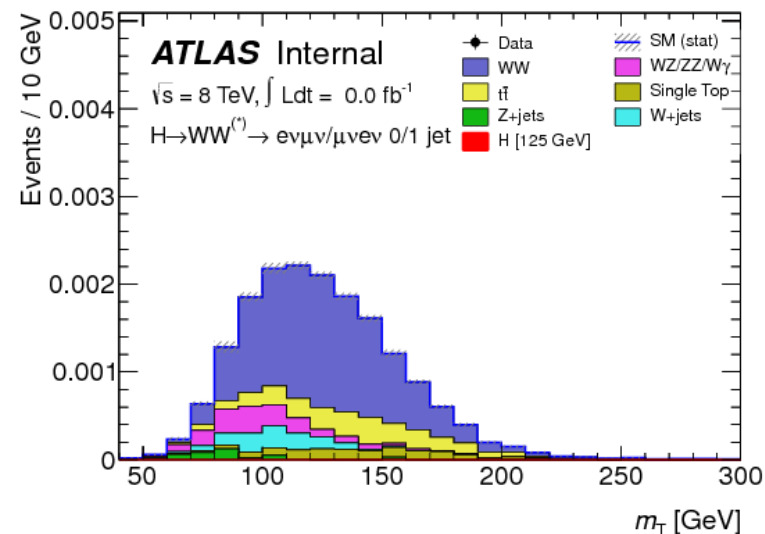
- The signal significance at  $m_H = 125\text{ GeV}$  is  $3.8\sigma$ .
- The best fit signal strength at that mass is  $\mu = 1.01 \pm 0.31$

- VBF analysis added

- observe excess with  $2.5\sigma$  significance

- Next steps

- Work ongoing to improve the signal efficiency for this channel... Expect to improve the signal significance up to  $5\sigma$ .



THANK YOU!!



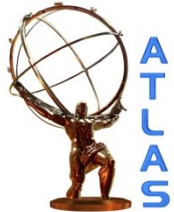
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# Backup slides



# 2012 pp Collisions in ATLAS



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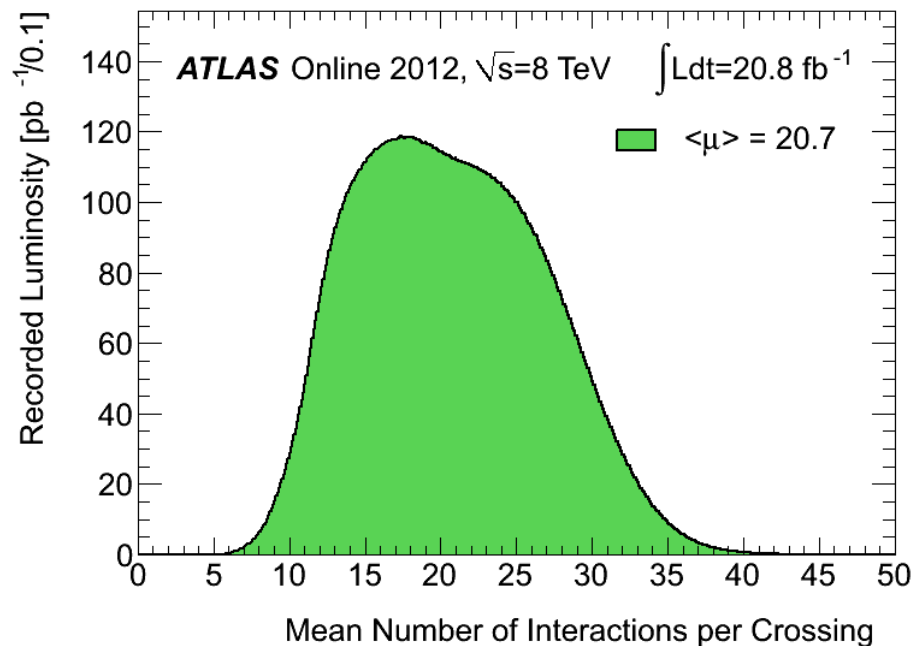
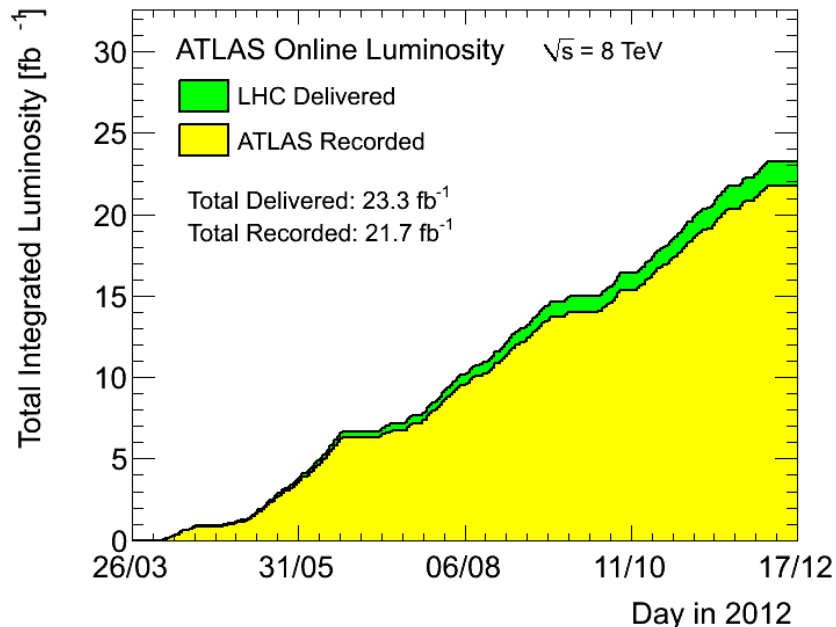
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22 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data at  $\sim 7 \times 10^{33}$  peak luminosity with higher pile-up

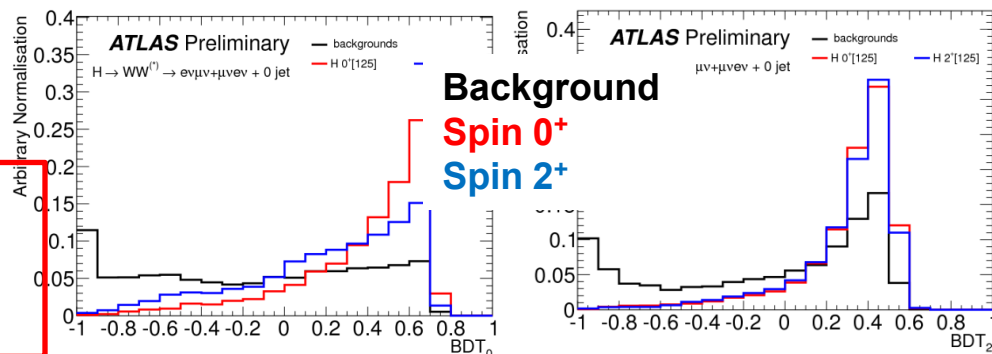




BDT trained for  $0^+$  and  $2^+$  hypothesis using 4-input variables:

- $m_T, \Delta\Phi_{ll}, m_{ll}, P_T(l_l)$
- Use output to test  $0^+$  vs  $2^+$

- Data compatible with  $0^+$  hypothesis
- $2^+$  (graviton-like) scenario excluded at: 99%CL if qq production / 95% if gg



## Background subtracted BDT output

