

High Energy Frontier - Recent Results from the LHC

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Lecture 4

Higgs Physics I

Massive Vector Bosons in the SM

W and Z bosons are massive

$$m_W = 80.40 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_Z = 91.18 \text{ GeV}$$

Masses of vector particles can be described by:

$$L = m_W^2 W_\mu W^\mu + m_Z^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu$$

However, this Lagrangian is not gauge invariant under gauge transformations

long-standing problem...

Example of non-Gauge Invariance

$$\begin{aligned} m_\gamma^2 A_\mu A^\mu &\rightarrow m_\gamma^2 \left(A_\mu + \frac{1}{e} J_\mu \alpha \right) \left(A^\mu + \frac{1}{e} J^\mu \alpha \right) \\ &= m_\gamma^2 \left(A_\mu A^\mu + A_\mu \frac{1}{e} J^\mu \alpha + \frac{1}{e} J_\mu \alpha A^\mu + \frac{1}{e^2} (J^\mu \alpha)(J^\mu \alpha) \right) \end{aligned}$$

equation can only be fulfilled if $m_\gamma = 0$

→ Gauge invariance requires massless gauge bosons!

Fermions in SM

3 generations of quarks and leptons represented by

- isospin doublets (left chirality) and singlets (right chiral states):

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix}_L \quad \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}_L \quad \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau \\ \tau \end{pmatrix}_L \quad \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix}_L \quad \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix}_L \quad \begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}_L$$

- isospin singlets (right chirality):

$$\begin{matrix} (\nu_e)_R & (\nu_\mu)_R & (\nu_\tau)_R & u_R & c_R & t_R \\ e_R & (\mu)_R & (\tau)_R & d_R & s_R & b_R \end{matrix}$$

Masses of fermions given by:

$$L = m_d \, d_L d_R + m_u \, d_L d_R + \dots$$

violate gauge invariance in a similar way if $\Psi \rightarrow \Psi' = U \Psi$

Electroweak Unification

(Glashow, Salam, Weinberg Model)

$$H^{e.m., \text{weak}} = g j_L W + \frac{1}{2} g' j^Y B$$

↑
parity violating

$$\text{SU}(2)_L \times \text{U}(1)_Y \rightarrow \text{SU}(2)_{\text{weak}} \times \text{U}(1)_{\text{e.m.}}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} Z \\ A \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_W & -\sin \theta_W \\ \sin \theta_W & \cos \theta_W \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_3 \\ B \end{pmatrix}$$

isospin_3
weak hypercharge

$$\begin{pmatrix} W^+ \\ W^- \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -i \\ 1 & i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_1 \\ W_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

→ electroweak symmetry breaking

What breaks the symmetry and makes the Z-boson massive?

Higgs mechanism

The problem with the gauge invariance can be solved by introducing a new scalar isospin doublet field Φ (instead of a mass constant) which respects gauge invariance.

$$L = (D_\mu \Phi)(D^\mu \Phi) + \dots + y_d \phi d_L d_R + y_u \phi u_L u_R + \dots \quad \Phi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \phi \end{pmatrix}$$

↑ Yukawa couplings ↑

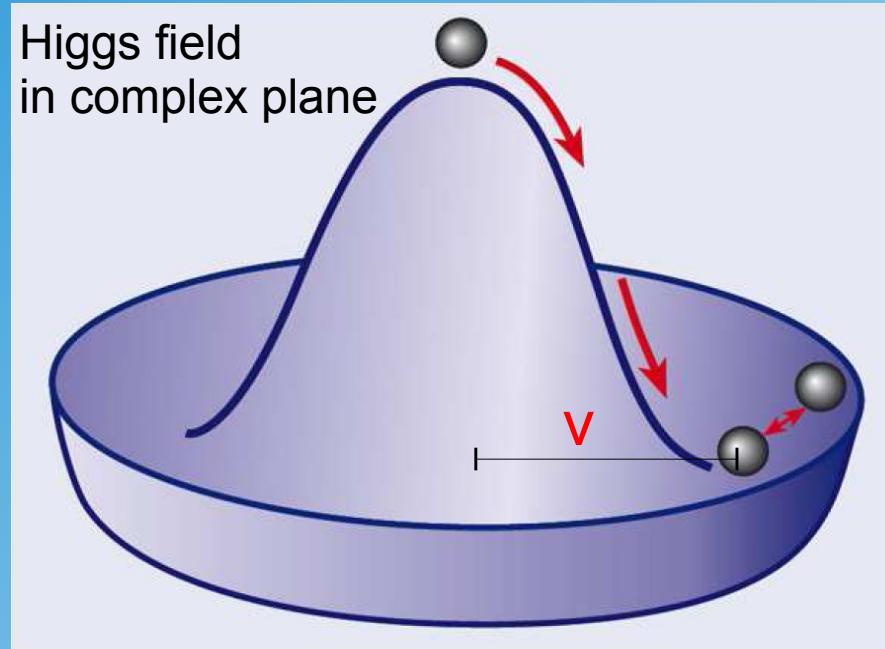
vector boson masses fermion mass terms

with the covariant derivative:

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + (ig W_\mu^j \sigma_j + ig' Y B_\mu)$$

This field creates **simultaneously** vector boson and fermion masses and breaks electroweak symmetry if the vacuum expectation values (vev) of the Higgs field is non-zero!

Higgs Field Parametrisation



choose minimum to be on the real axis (symmetry breaking):

$$\phi = v + \chi + i\xi$$

Mexican hat potential: $-\mu^2 \phi^* \phi - \lambda (\phi^* \phi)^2$

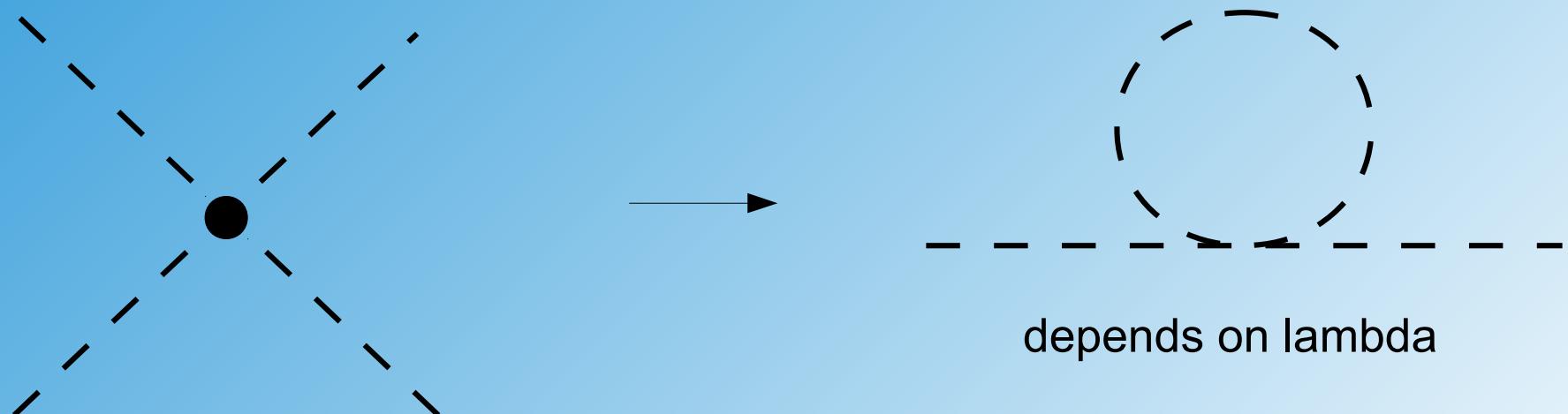
minimum if: $v^2 = \frac{-\mu^2}{2\lambda}$ (vev if lambda negative)

SM Lagrangian with Higgs Field

$$L = (D_\mu \Phi)(D^\mu \Phi) - \mu^2 \Phi^* \Phi - \lambda (\Phi^* \Phi)^2 + y_d \phi d_L d_R + y_u \phi u_L u_R + \dots$$

Higgs self coupling

Higgs self interactions

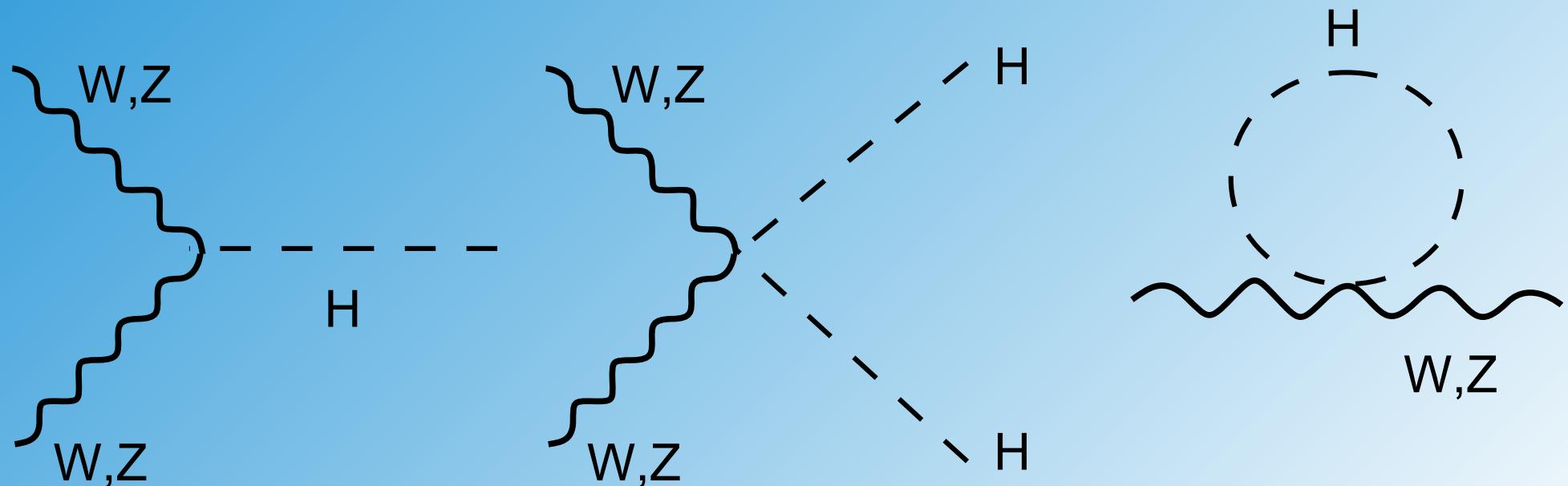


Higgs-Gauge Boson Interactions

$$L = (D_\mu \Phi)(D^\mu \Phi) - \mu^2 \Phi^* \Phi - \lambda (\Phi^* \Phi)^2 + y_d \phi d_L d_R + y_u \phi u_L u_R + \dots$$

Higgs vector boson interactions: $\tan \Theta_W = \frac{g'}{g}$ (Weinberg angle)

$$m_W^2 = \frac{1}{4} v^2 g^2 \quad m_Z^2 = \frac{v^2}{4} (g^2 + g'^2) \quad \rightarrow v=246 \text{ GeV}$$



also here, coupling proportional to mass!

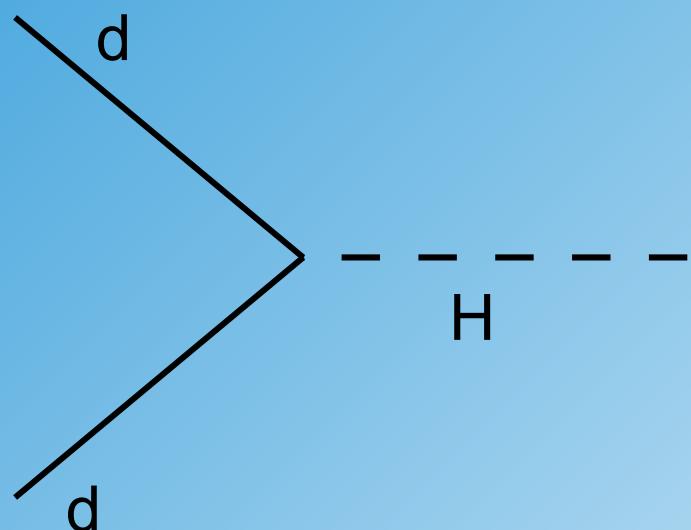
Higgs-Fermion Interactions

Higgs-Fermion Coupling:

$$L_Y = -y_d \bar{L} \Phi d_R - y_u \bar{L} \tilde{\Phi} u_R \quad \text{with} \quad L = \begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v+h \end{pmatrix},$$

Higgs couples to masses:

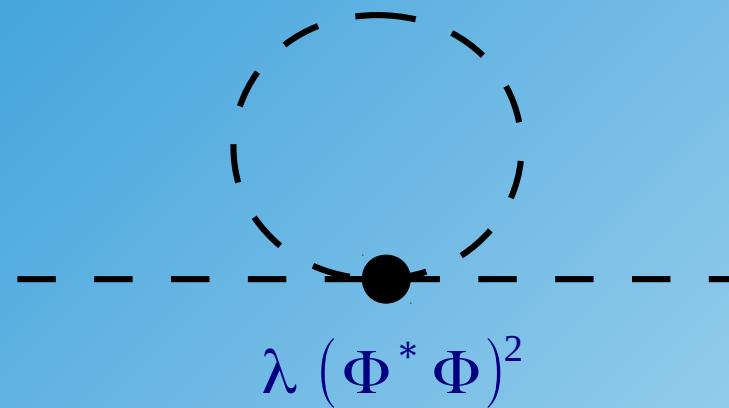
$$m_{d,u} = \frac{y_{d,u} v}{\sqrt{2}}$$



$$\tilde{\Phi} = i \tau_2 \Phi^*$$

coupling proportional to mass

Higgs Mass?



coupling lambda is not known!

WW Scattering Amplitude

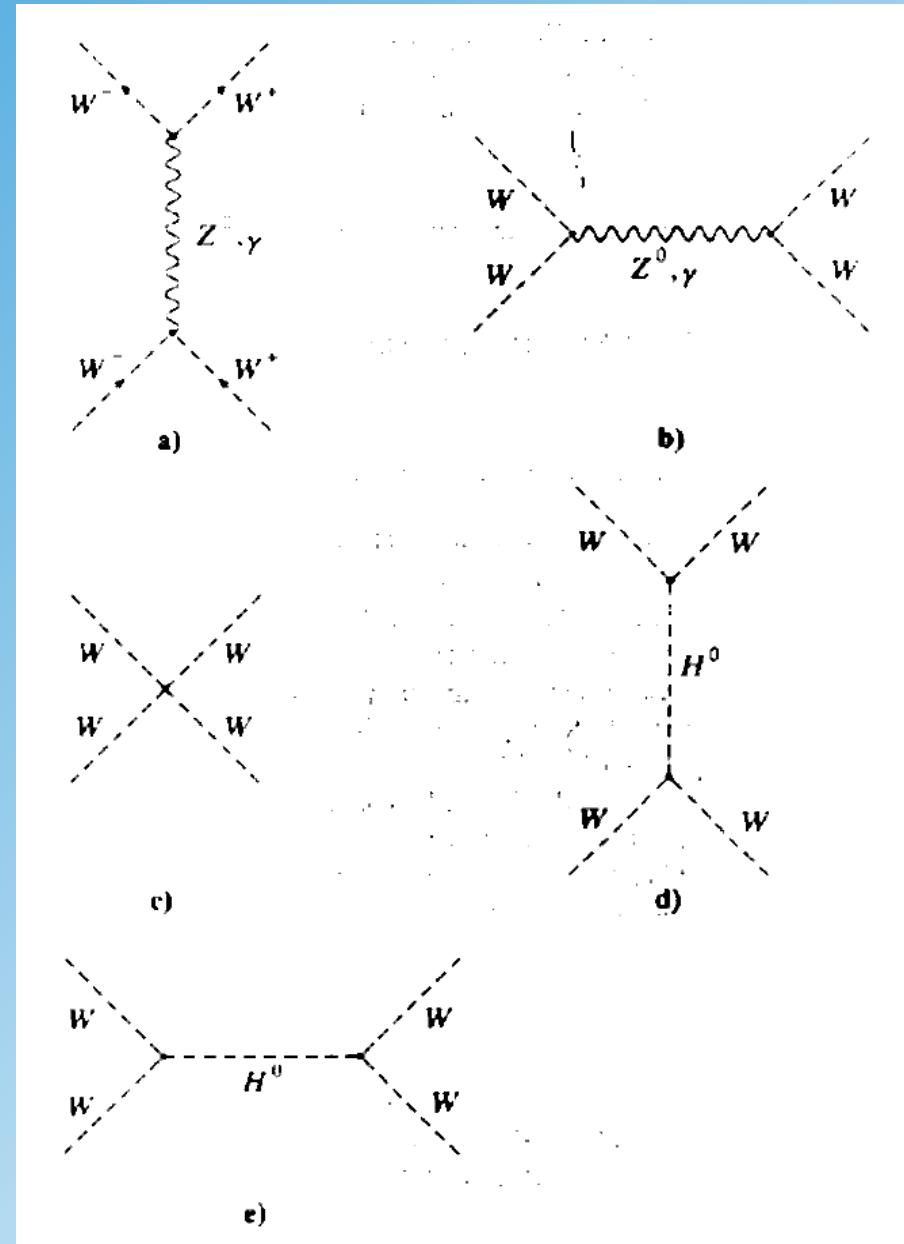
- Without Higgs boson, WW scattering violates unitarity at high energies
- A partial wave analysis yields :

$$|\Omega| \approx 2 \frac{m_h^2}{v^2} < 8\pi$$

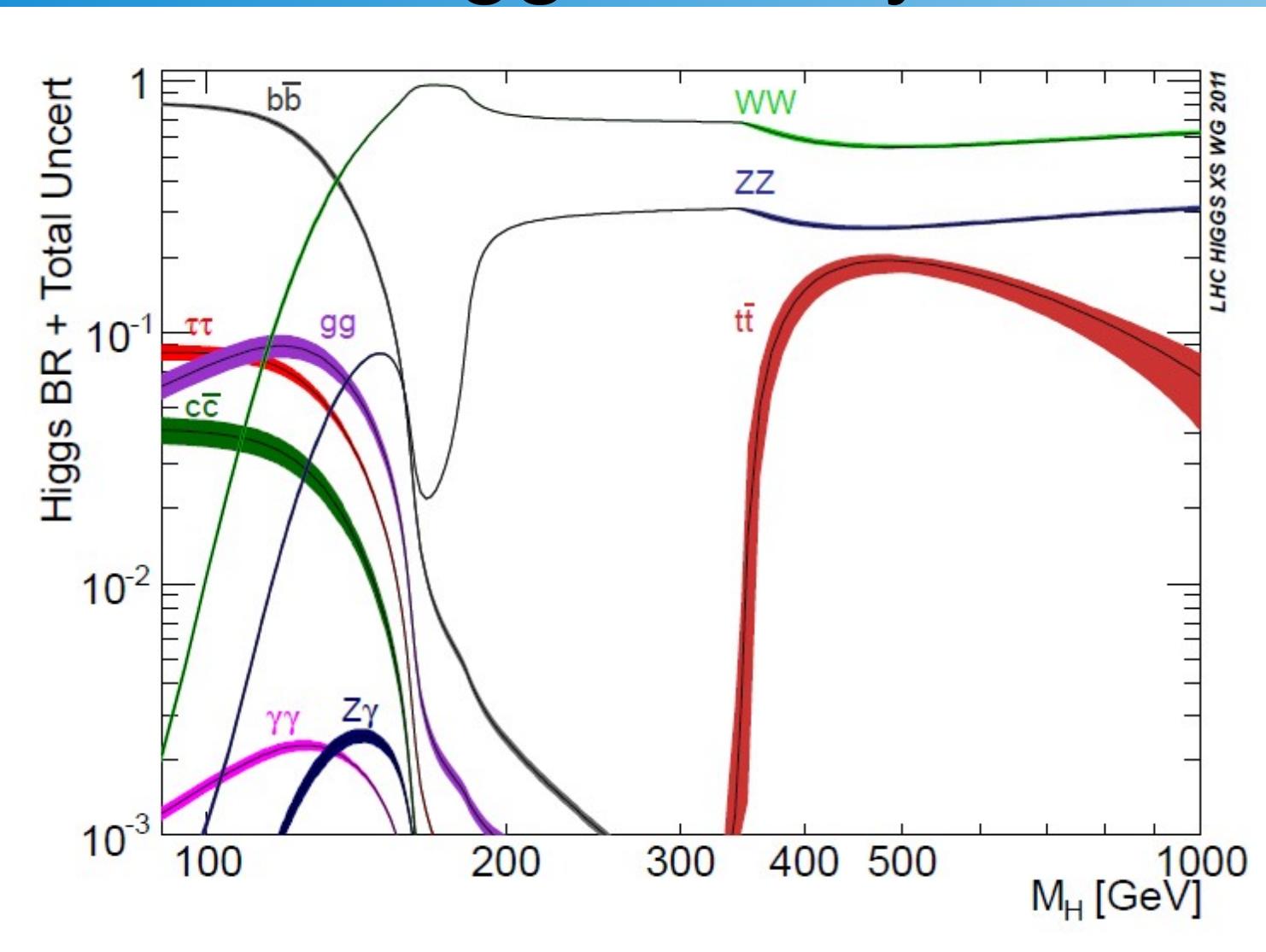
gives:

$$m_h < (4\pi v^2) \approx 870 \text{ GeV}$$

→ perturbative unitarity limit



Higgs Decays



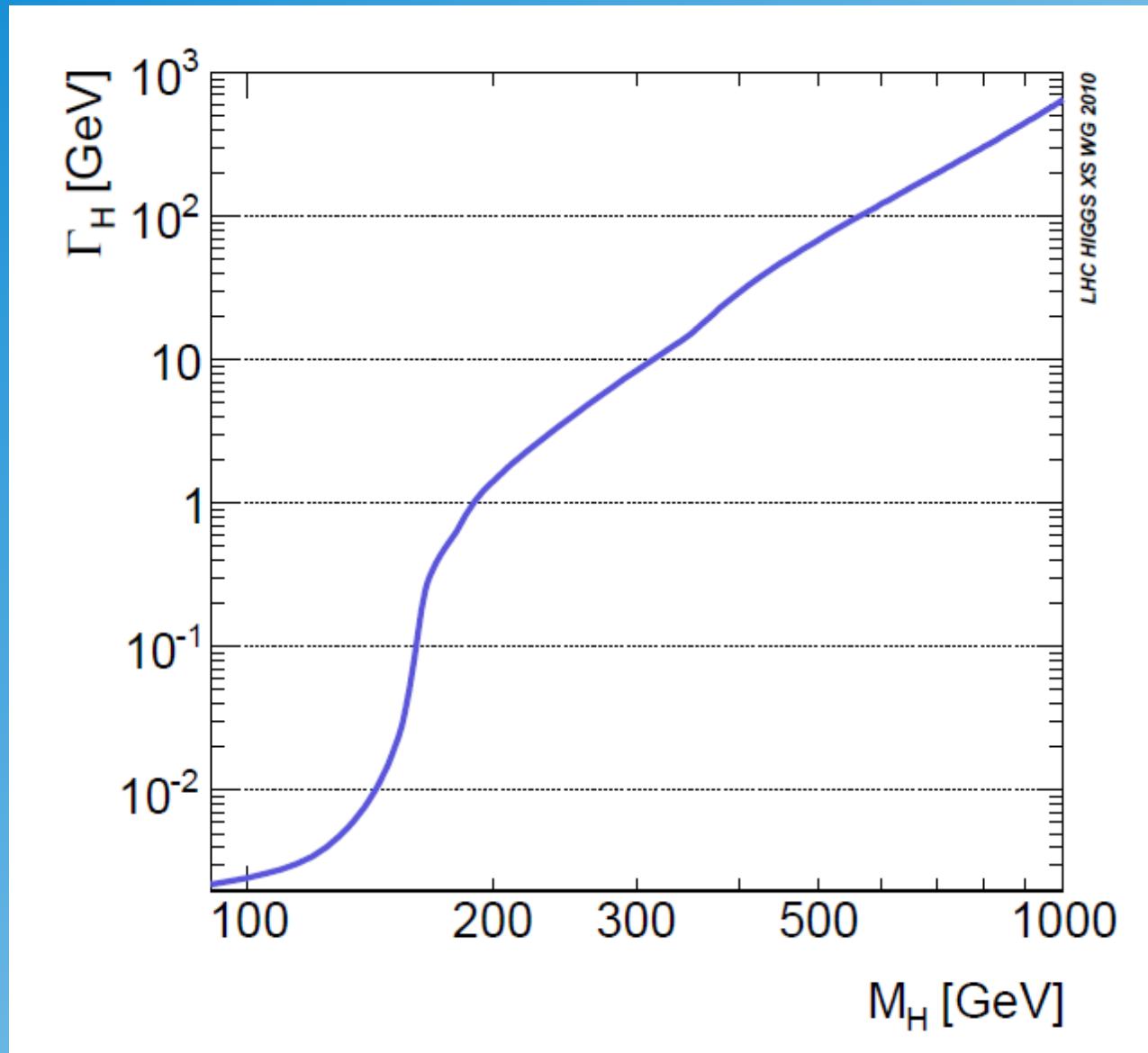
$$\Gamma(h \rightarrow l^+l^-) = \frac{G_F M_l^2}{4\sqrt{2}\pi} M_h \beta_l^3$$

$$\Gamma(h \rightarrow W^+W^-) = \frac{G_F M_h^3}{8\pi\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{1-r_W} (1 - r_W + \frac{3}{4}r_W^2)$$

$$\Gamma(h \rightarrow ZZ) = \frac{G_F M_h^3}{16\pi\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{1-r_Z} (1 - r_Z + \frac{3}{4}r_Z^2),$$

$$r_V \equiv 4M_V^2/M_h^2$$

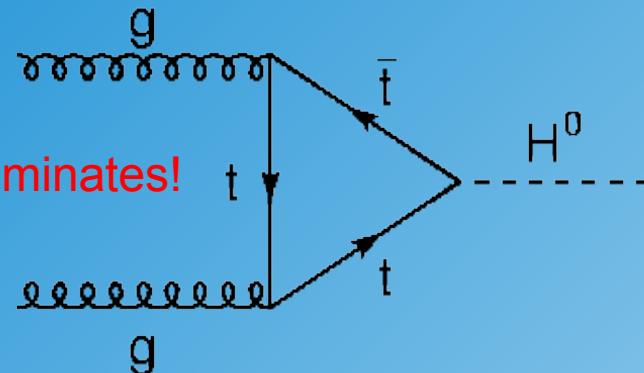
Higgs Decay Width



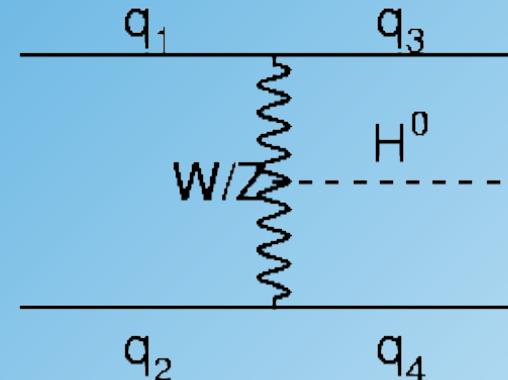
a heavy Higgs
would be very
broad!

Production of Higgs Bosons in Hadron Collisions

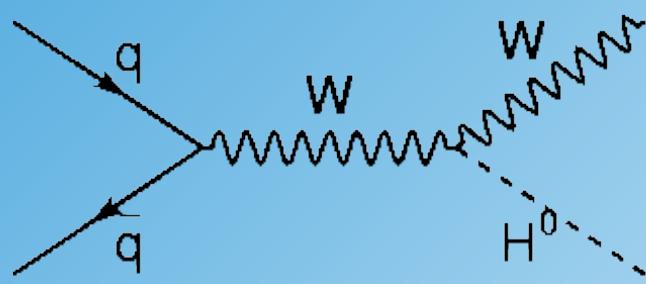
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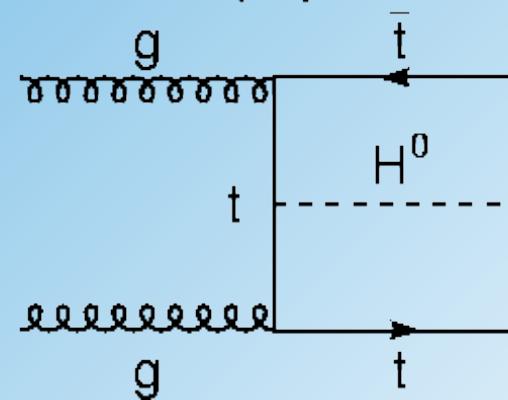
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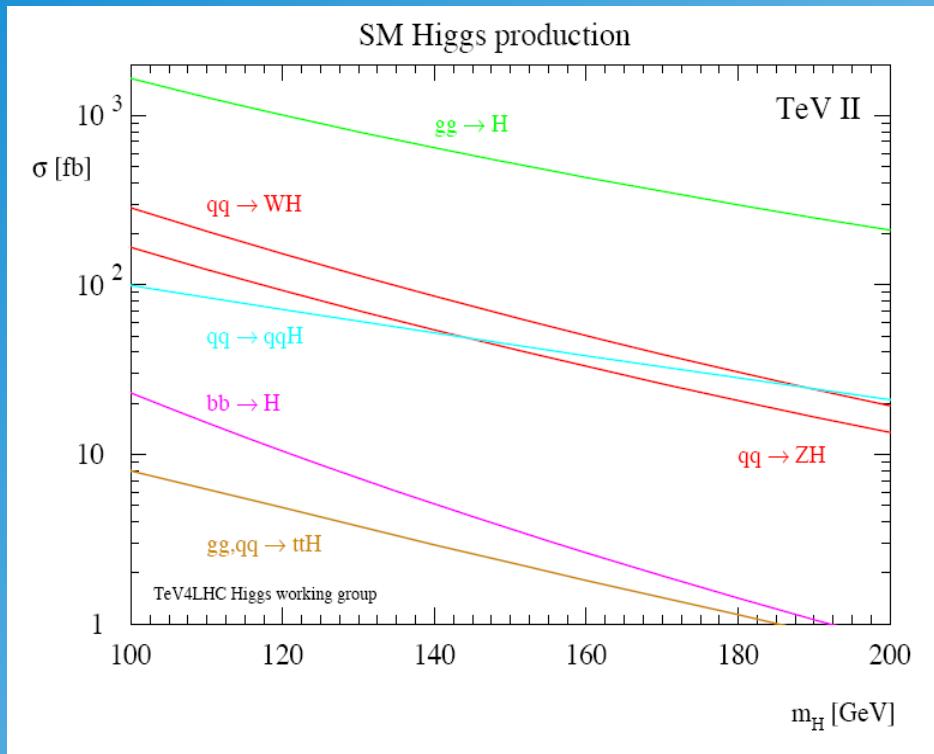
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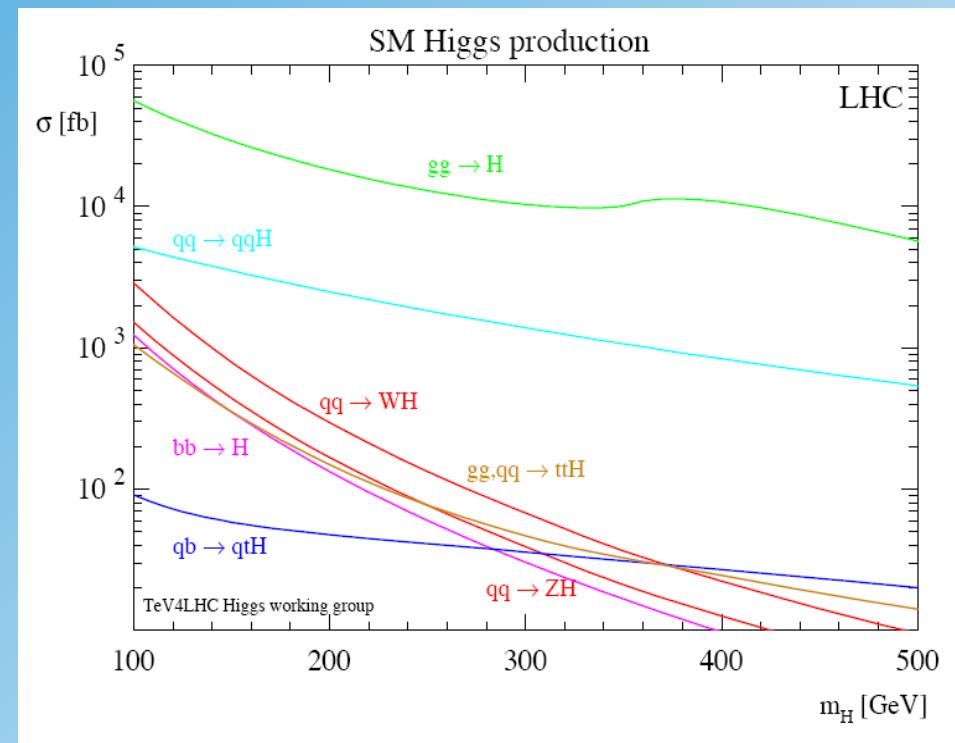
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Higgs Production at Hadron Colliders

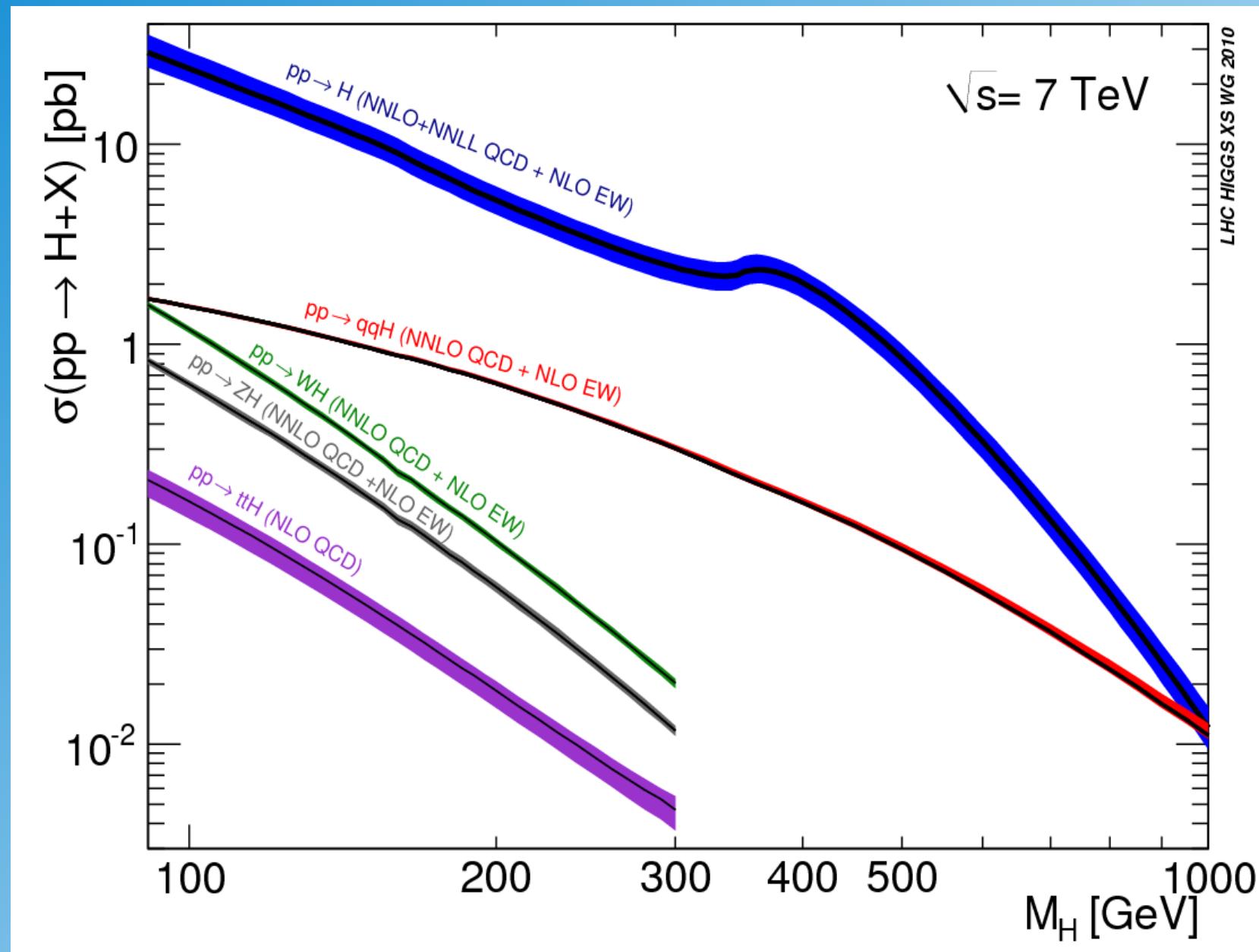


proton-antiproton at Tevatron $s^{1/2}=2$ TeV

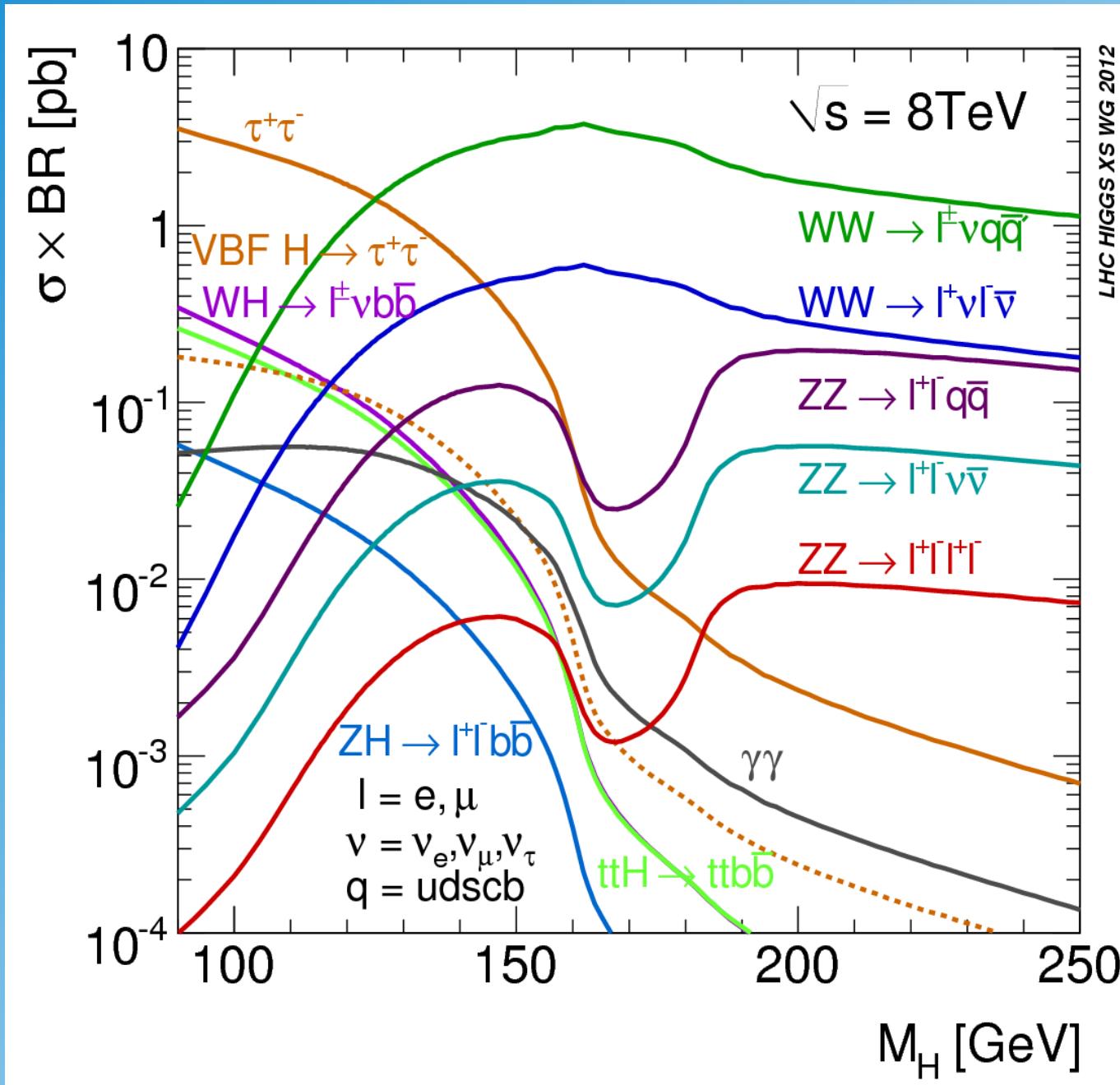


proton-proton at LHC $s^{1/2}=14$ TeV

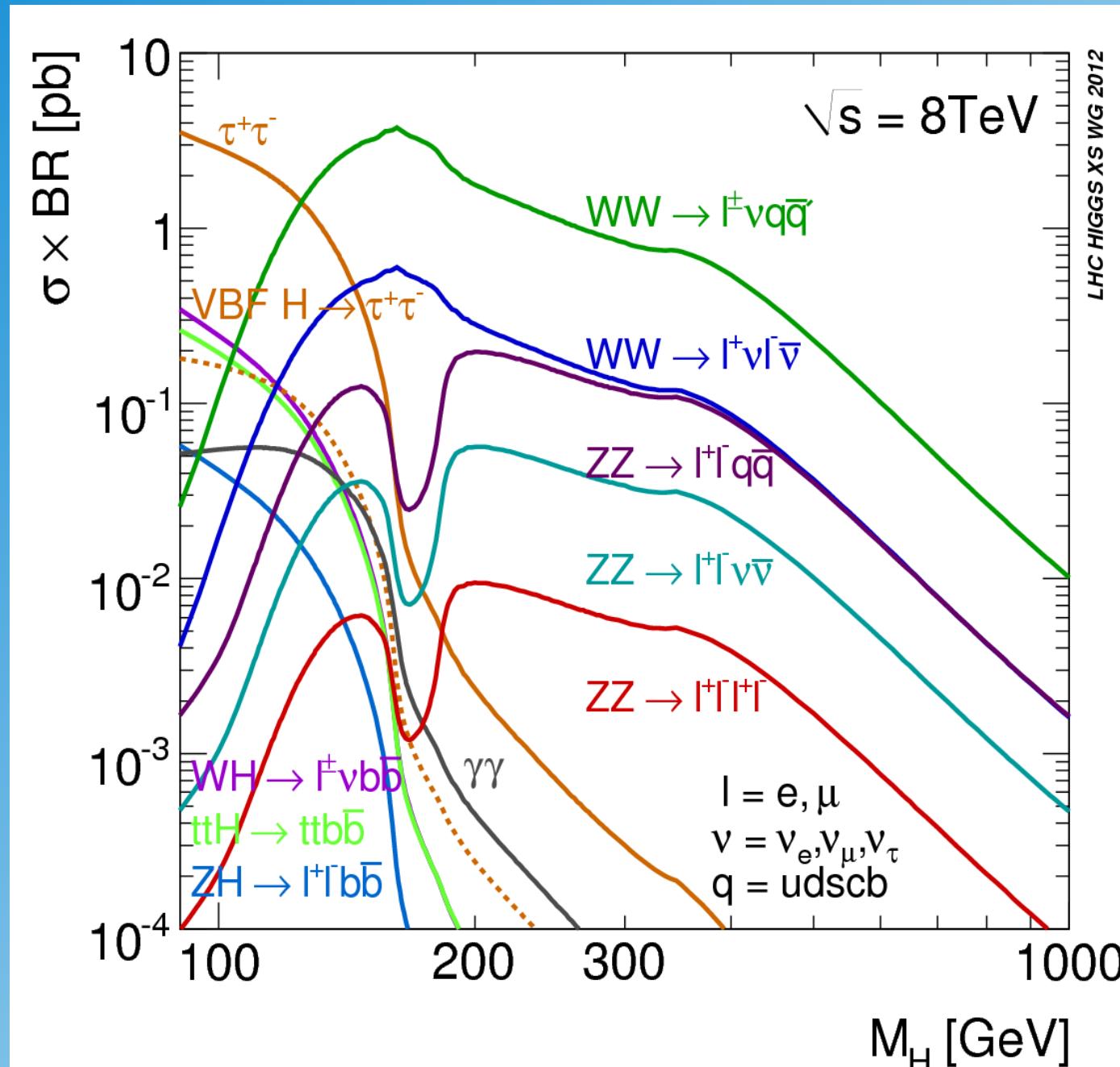
Higgs Production at Hadron Colliders



Higgs Search Channels

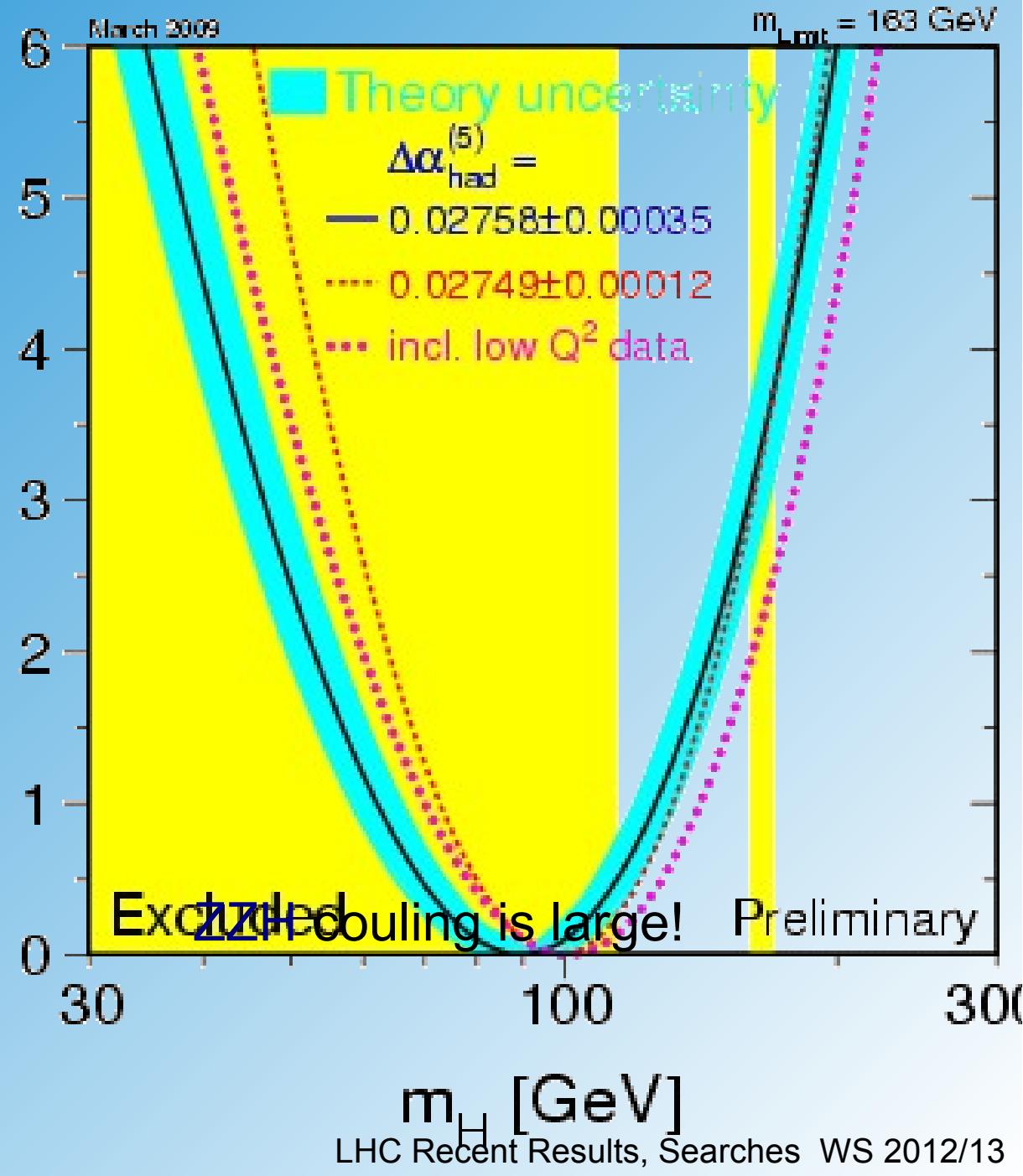
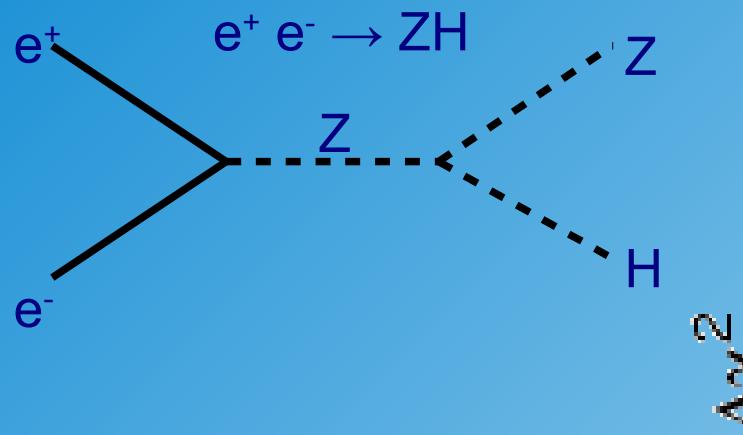


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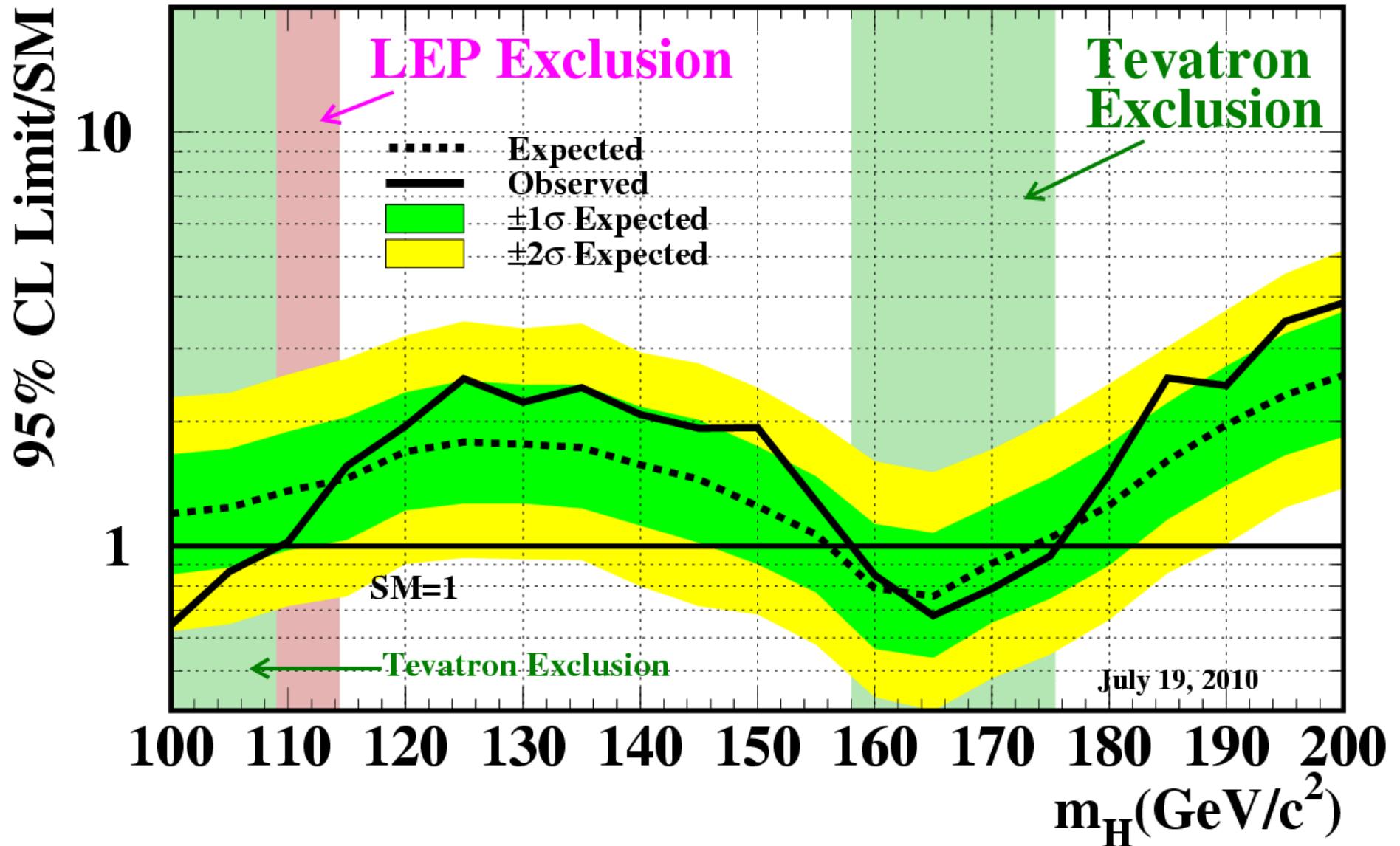


Situation before/without LHC

LEP Process (Higgs-Strahlung):



Tevatron Run II Preliminary, $\langle L \rangle = 5.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Statistics and Limit Setting

chi² fit:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \frac{(y_i - \mu_i)^2}{\sigma_i^2}$$

y_i measurement

μ_i model prediction (nuisance parameter)

σ_i uncertainty (statistical and systematical)

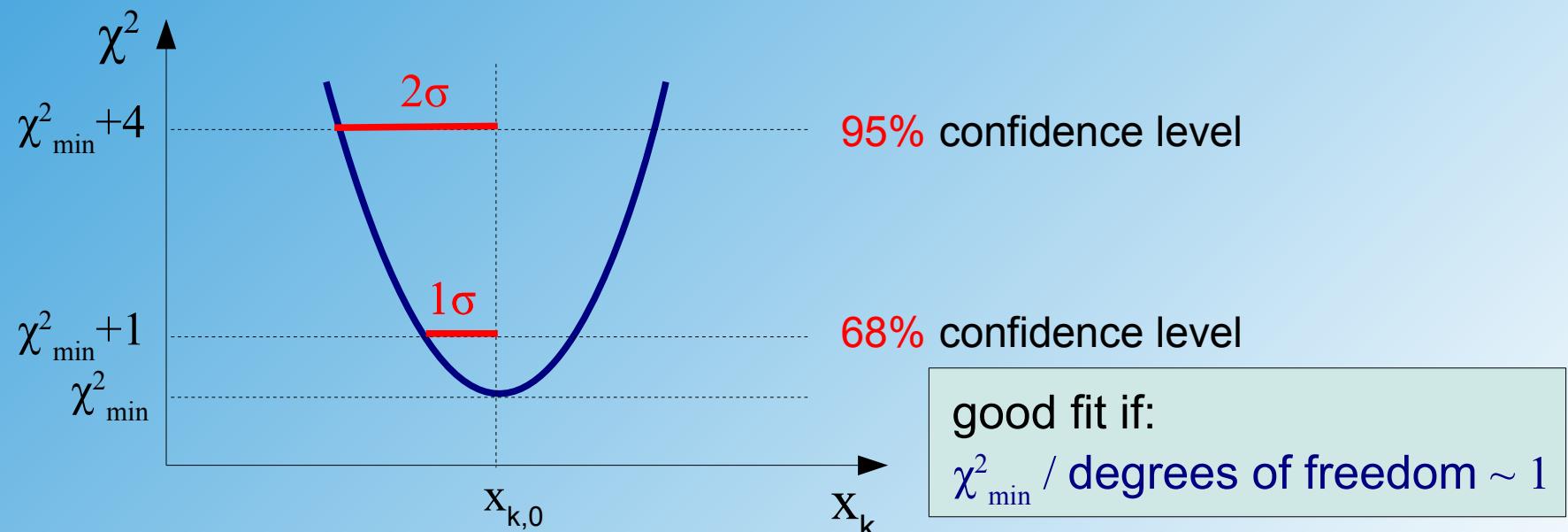
chi² fit with correlated errors:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i \sum_j (y_i - \mu_i) \text{cov}_{ij}^{-1} (y_j - \mu_j) \quad \text{cov}_{ij} \text{ covariance (error) matrix}$$

Parameter Fit:

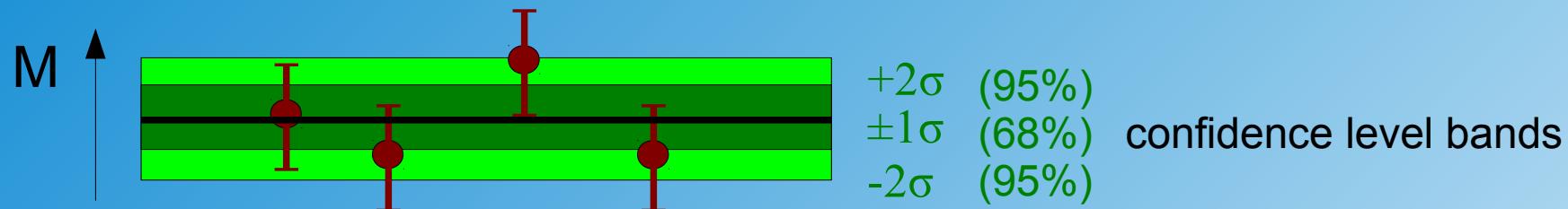
$$\mu_i = \mu_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

x_k model parameter

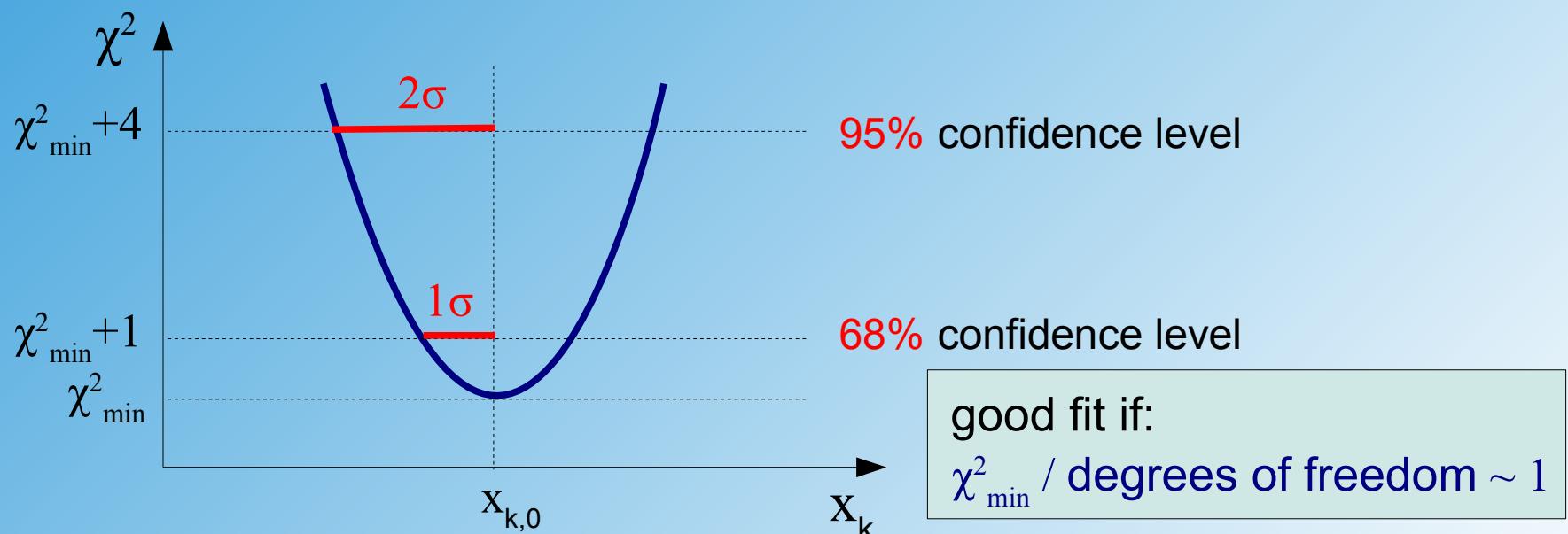


Example Fit

Measurement of some mass (1-Parameter fit) from 4 experiments:



(could also be a cross section)



Probability Densities

for the above example a Gaussian probability density was used

Gaussian (normal)distribution:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \rightarrow P(a < x < b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

- used for systematic uncertainties (symmetric)

Poisson distribution:

$$P(N) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^N}{N!}$$

- used for statistical uncertainties

Note, Poisson distribution approaches Gaussian distribution for large μ

Limit Setting Philosophies

Bayesian Method:

- based on the experiment posterior, exclusion limits are calculated
- low probability models are excluded
- probabilities are assigned to models using a prior

“natural method” but choose of prior is arbitrary

Frequentist Method:

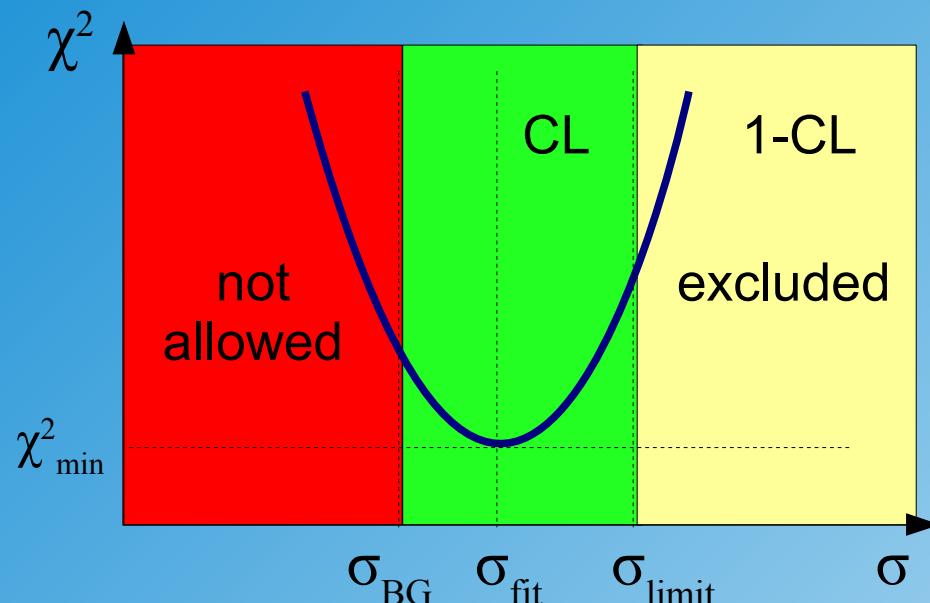
- based on Monte Carlo toy experiments probabilities are assigned to all possible experimental outcomes
- exclusion limit is set by that model which excludes this experimental outcome with certain confidence interval

computationally expensive and might give unphysical results
(e.g. negative cross sections)

Bayesian Method

Model: $N = N_{BG} + N_{Sig}$ (background + signal)

$\sigma = \sigma_{BG} + \sigma_{Sig} = N/L$ choose cross section as “prior”



Probability:

$$P \propto e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\chi^2(\sigma) - \chi^2_{fit})}$$

additional constraint:

$$\sigma \geq \sigma_{BG} \quad \text{because} \quad \sigma_{Sig} \geq 0$$

$$CL = \frac{\int_{\sigma > \sigma_{BG}}^{\sigma_{CL}} P(\sigma) d\sigma}{\int_{\sigma > \sigma_{BG}}^{\infty} P(\sigma) d\sigma}$$

CL = confidence level

Choice of Prior

- Cross sections depend on couplings
- Alternatively, choose coupling as prior

$$\sigma_{Sig} = \sigma_0 \alpha^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\alpha} = \frac{d\sigma_{Sig}}{d\alpha} = 2\sigma_0 \alpha$$

$$CL = \frac{\int_{\alpha>0}^{\alpha_{CL}} P(\alpha) d\alpha}{\int_{\alpha>0}^{\infty} P(\alpha) d\alpha} = \frac{\int_{\alpha>0}^{\alpha_{CL}} P(\alpha)/\alpha d\sigma}{\int_{\alpha>0}^{\infty} P(\alpha)/\alpha d\sigma} \neq \frac{\int_{\sigma_{Sig}>0}^{\sigma_{CL}} P(\sigma) d\sigma}{\int_{\sigma_{Sig}>0}^{\infty} P(\sigma) d\sigma}$$

Results depends on choice of prior!

Frequentist Method

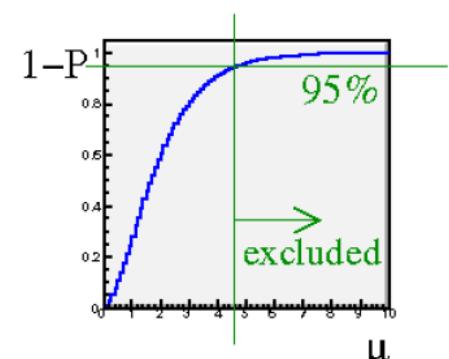
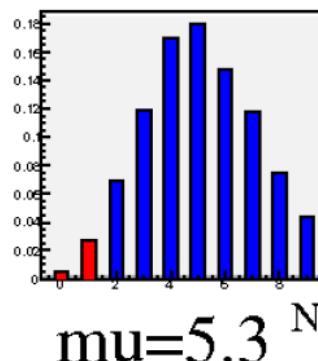
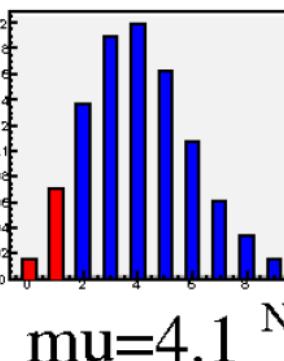
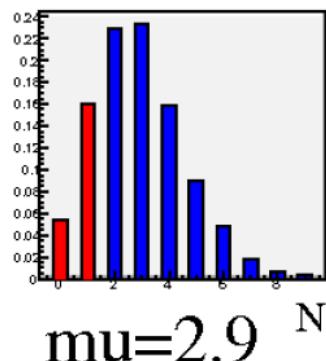
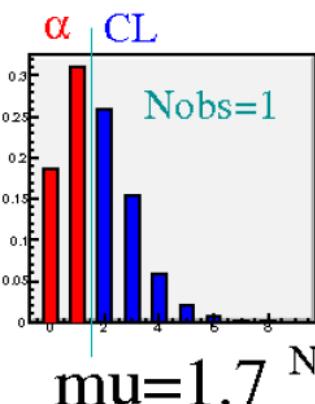
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- Frequentist limit: exclude all theories which produce the data at small probability α less than 1-CL (typically: CL=0.95)

$$\alpha = P_\mu(N \leq N_{\text{obs}}) < 1 - \text{CL}$$

α : also called p-value

Frequentist limit:
sum (integrate)
over observations
up to N_{obs}
Repeat for each model



- set limit with 95% confidence level for $\mu = 4.6$
- experiment has a 5% probability to happen

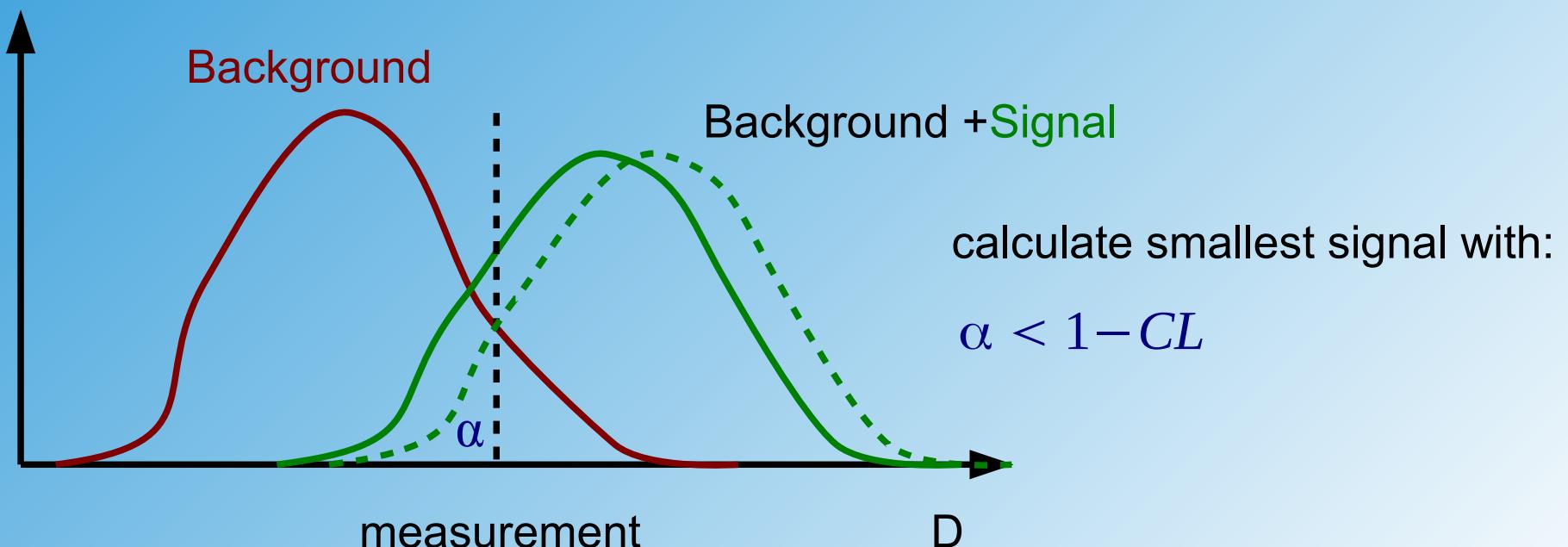
Frequentist Method

In case of many observables x_k a combined discriminator variable is often defined:

$$D = D(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_k)$$

- large discriminator means high probability
- small discriminator means low probability

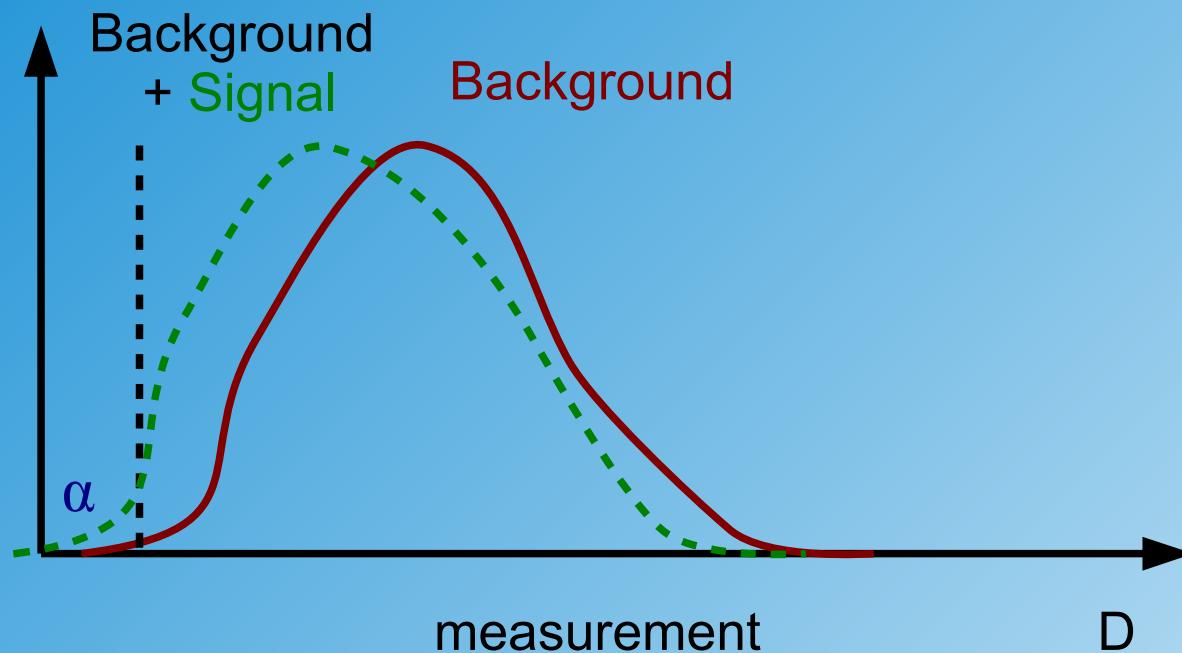
Often, the output from artificial neural nets or other multivariate methods is used as discriminator variable



Problem with Frequentist Method

Problem in case of a very small measurement value with $P(BG) < (1-CL)$

- would require a negative signal cross section:



unphysical solution!

CL_s Method

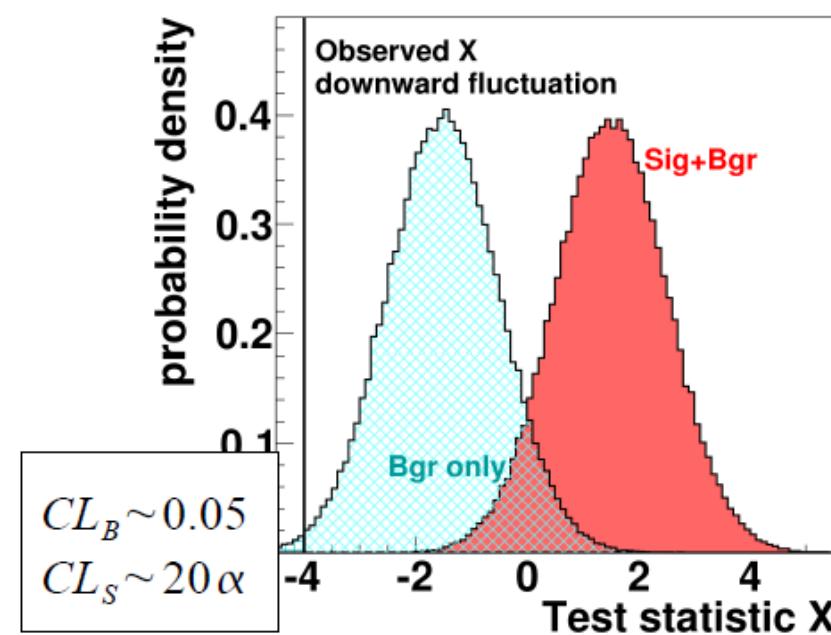
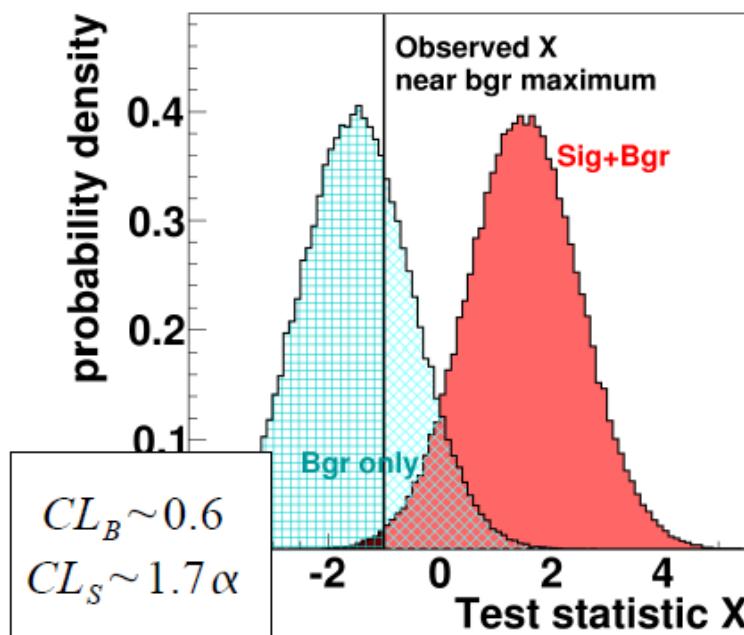
- Use ratio of two probabilities CL_s instead of α to test against CL

$$CL_{SB} = \alpha = \int_{X < X_{\text{obs}}} P(X|\text{signal+bgr}) dX$$

$$CL_B = \int_{X < X_{\text{obs}}} P(X|\text{bgr}) dX$$

$$CL_s = \frac{CL_{SB}}{CL_B}$$

- Standard model has $CL_s=1$ and is never excluded



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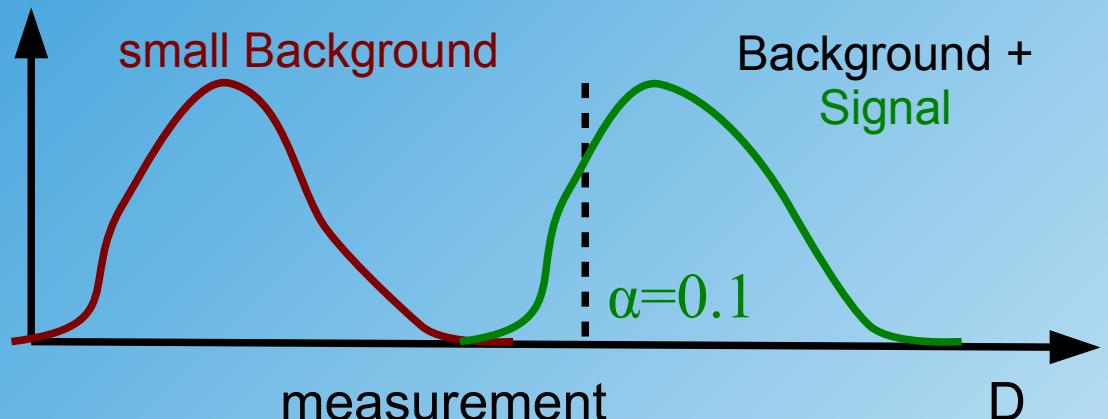
$CL_s > CL_{SB}$ by definition!

Another Example CL_S Method

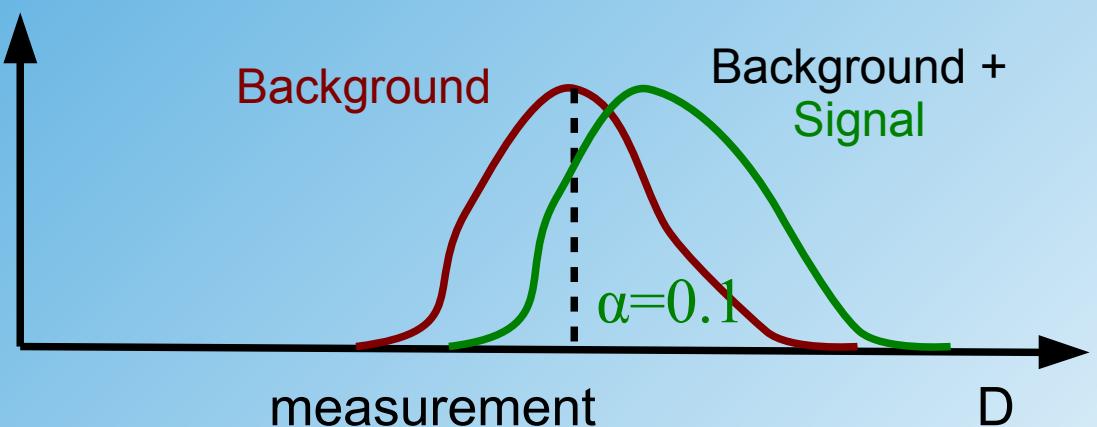
Definition:

$$CL_S = \frac{CL_{SB}}{CL_B}$$

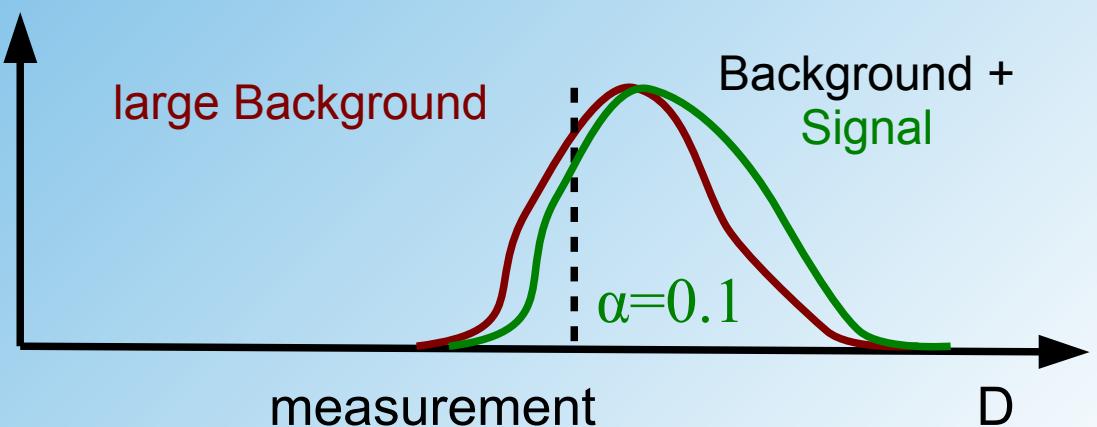
$$0.1 = \frac{0.1}{1.0}$$



$$0.2 = \frac{0.1}{0.5}$$



$$0.5 = \frac{0.1}{0.2}$$

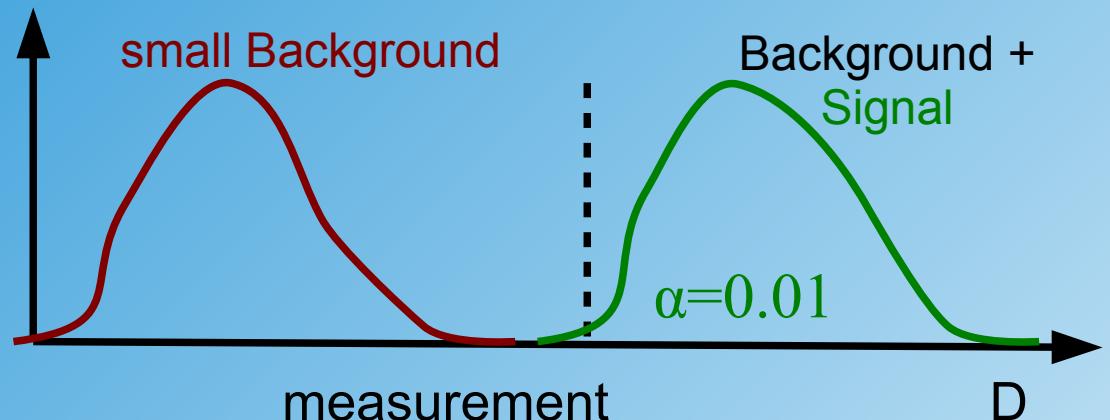


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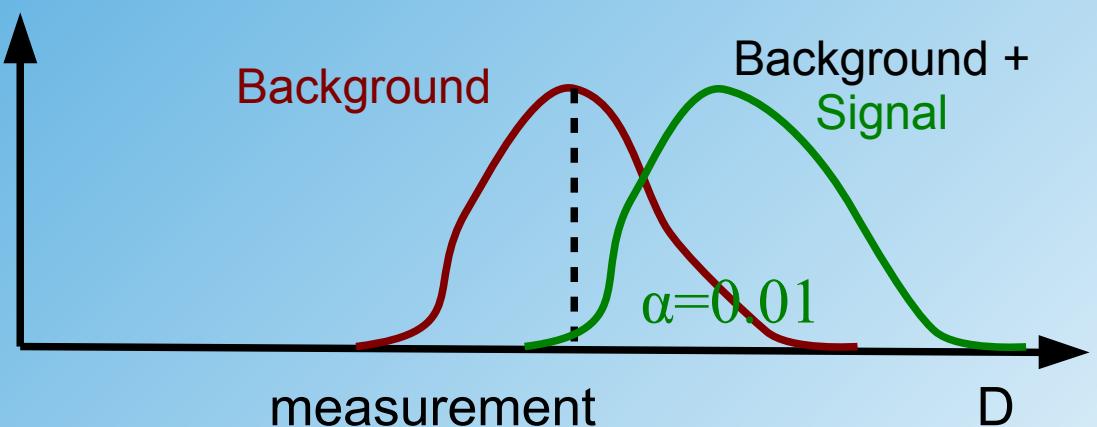
Definition:

$$CL_S = \frac{CL_{SB}}{CL_B}$$

$$0.01 = \frac{0.01}{1.0}$$

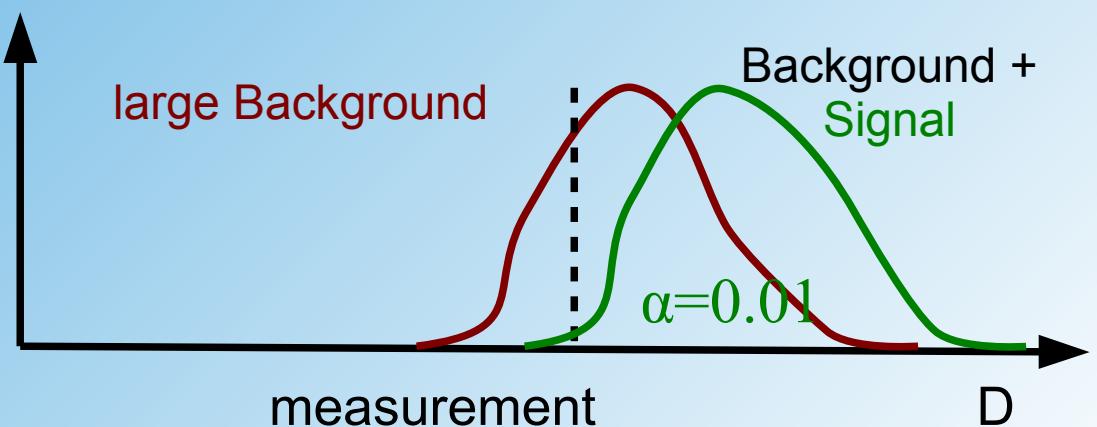


$$0.02 = \frac{0.01}{0.5}$$

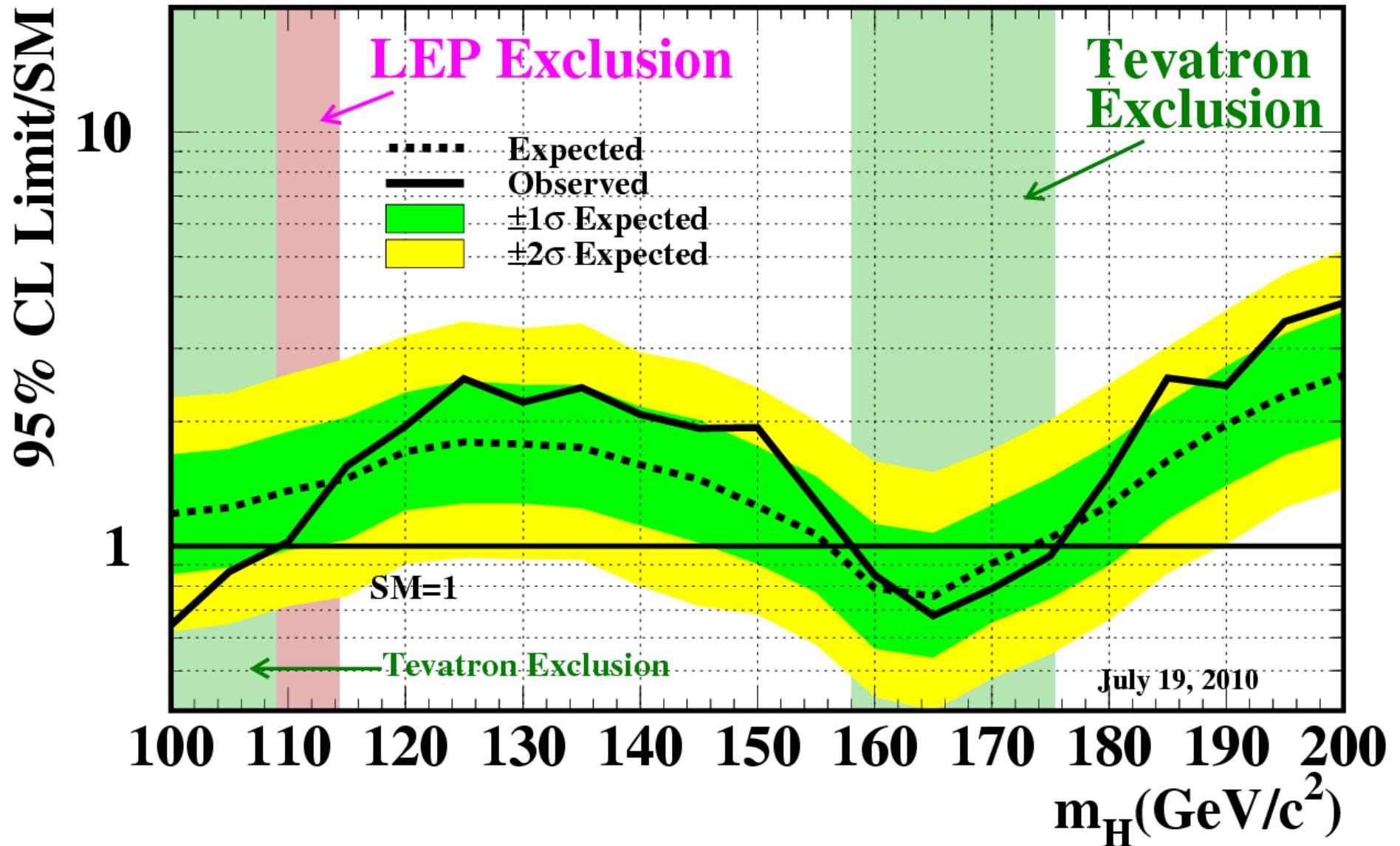


$$0.05 = \frac{0.01}{0.2}$$

excluded at 95% CL



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Discussion!

