

# Introduction



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# The New HSG5 Group

- The old Higgs Subgroup 5 was split into:
  - HSG5 dedicated to  $H \rightarrow bb$  (SM and BSM)
  - HSG6 dedicated to  $H \rightarrow \dots$
- Two week old organisation, but lots of work already done and ongoing
  - CONF note from July, shown at EPS and later conferences
  - Several active channels:
    - Inclusive  $WH \rightarrow l\nu bb$  and  $ZH \rightarrow llbb$
    - Boosted Higgs VH analyses (jet substructure techniques)
    - $ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu bb$
    - $ttH, H \rightarrow bb$
    - VBF  $H \rightarrow bb$  (and even a gluon-fusion analysis)
    - MSSM  $b(b)H$
- Near-term goals:
  - Update WH/ZH results for December CERN Council Meeting
  - Several other analyses to converge for Moriond 2012
  - Publication (refereed paper) on this timescale

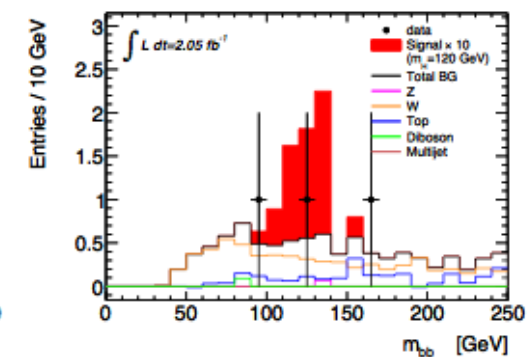
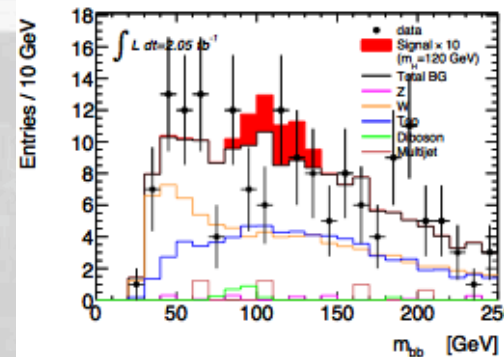
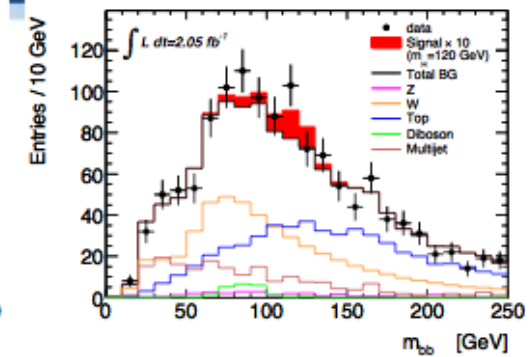
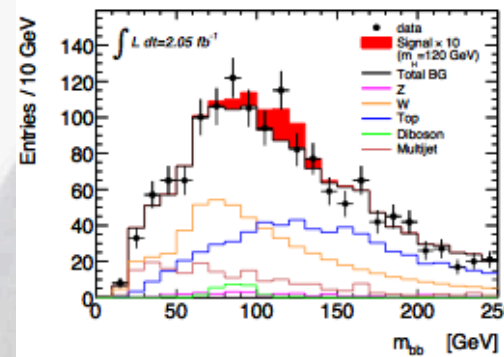
# HSG5 Composition



- Good and active UK participation:
  - Birmingham
  - Edinburgh
  - Glasgow
  - Liverpool
  - RHUL
  - UCL
- Also work or interest from:
  - Canada: Victoria
  - France: CPPM Marseille
  - Germany: Bonn, LMU, Würzburg
  - Portugal: LIP Lisbon
  - Russia: JINR Dubna
  - Spain: IFAE
  - Taiwan: Academia Sinica
  - USA: Argonne, Harvard, Iowa, SLAC, Wisconsin

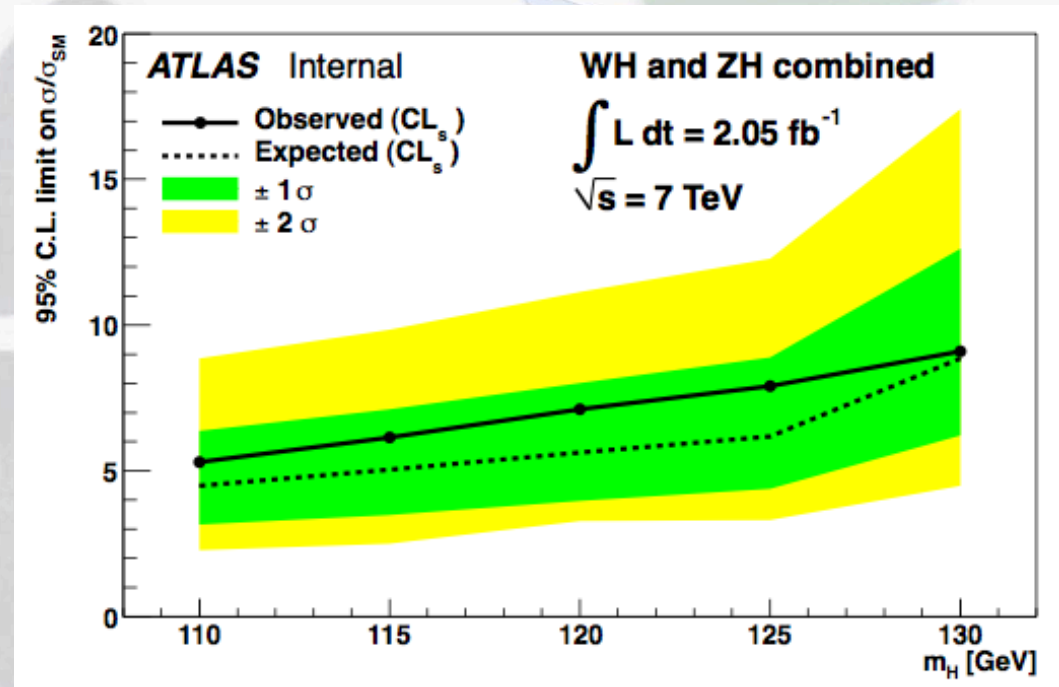
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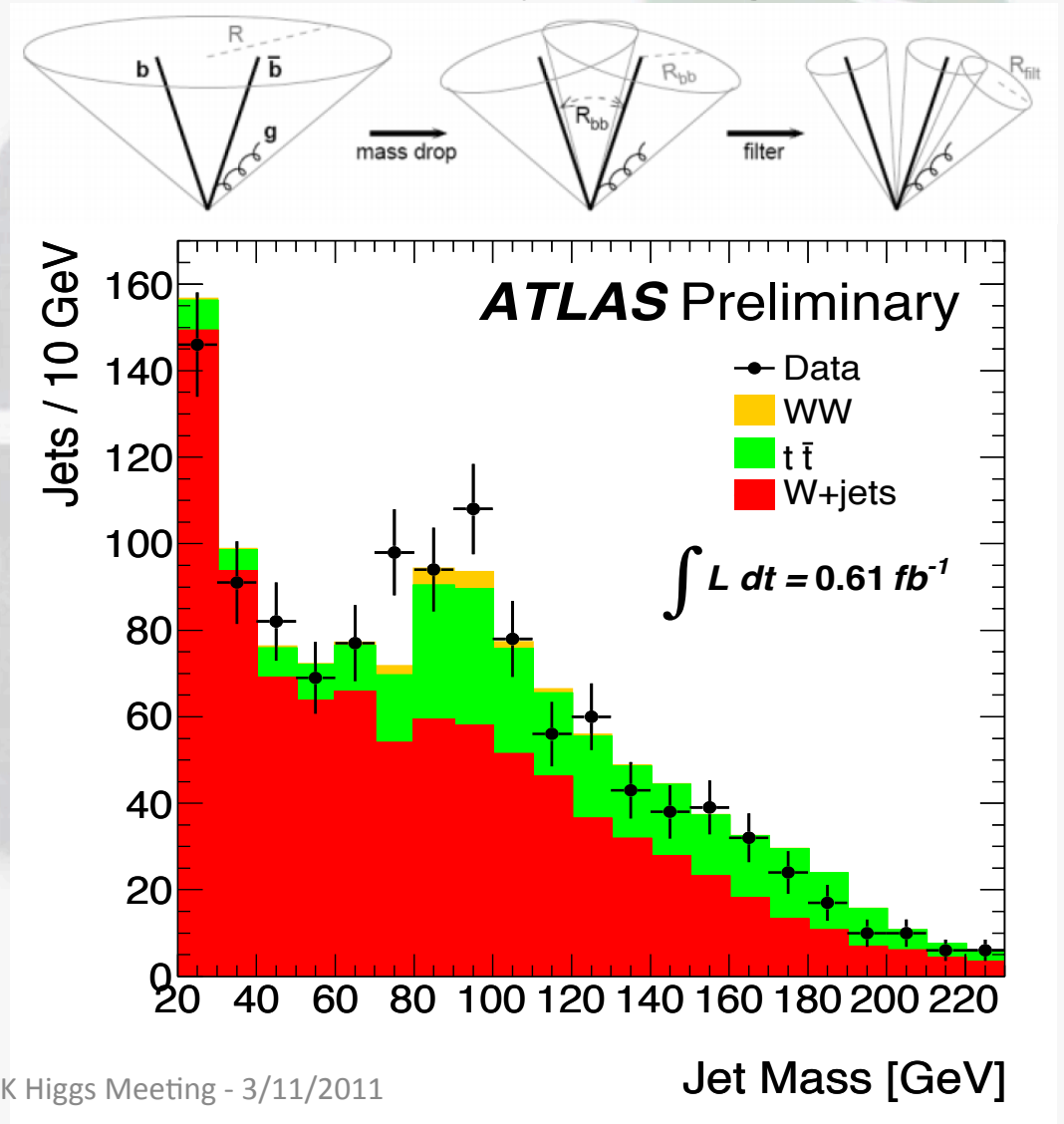
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- More details on Benedict's talk





- Alternative to inclusive channels: search for high- $p_T$  Higgs to  $bb$ :
  - J. M. Butterworth, A. R. Davison, M. Rubin, and G. P. Salam, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100 (2008) 242001, arXiv:0802.2470 [hep-ph]
- $p_T^H > 200\text{GeV} \approx 5\%$  of inclusive cross section but improved significance

- Select  $W \rightarrow l\nu$  events and search for a  $H \rightarrow bb$  jet
  1. Search for high- $p_T$  jet (Cambridge-Aachen algorithm,  $R=1.2$ )
  2. Search jet clustering history in reverse and look for large mass drop
  3. Re-cluster with small  $R$  parameter to find sub jets





- Peak consistent with  $W \rightarrow jj$  in  $t\bar{t}$  events
- Proof of principle for future analysis

See talk by Wahid

# The future

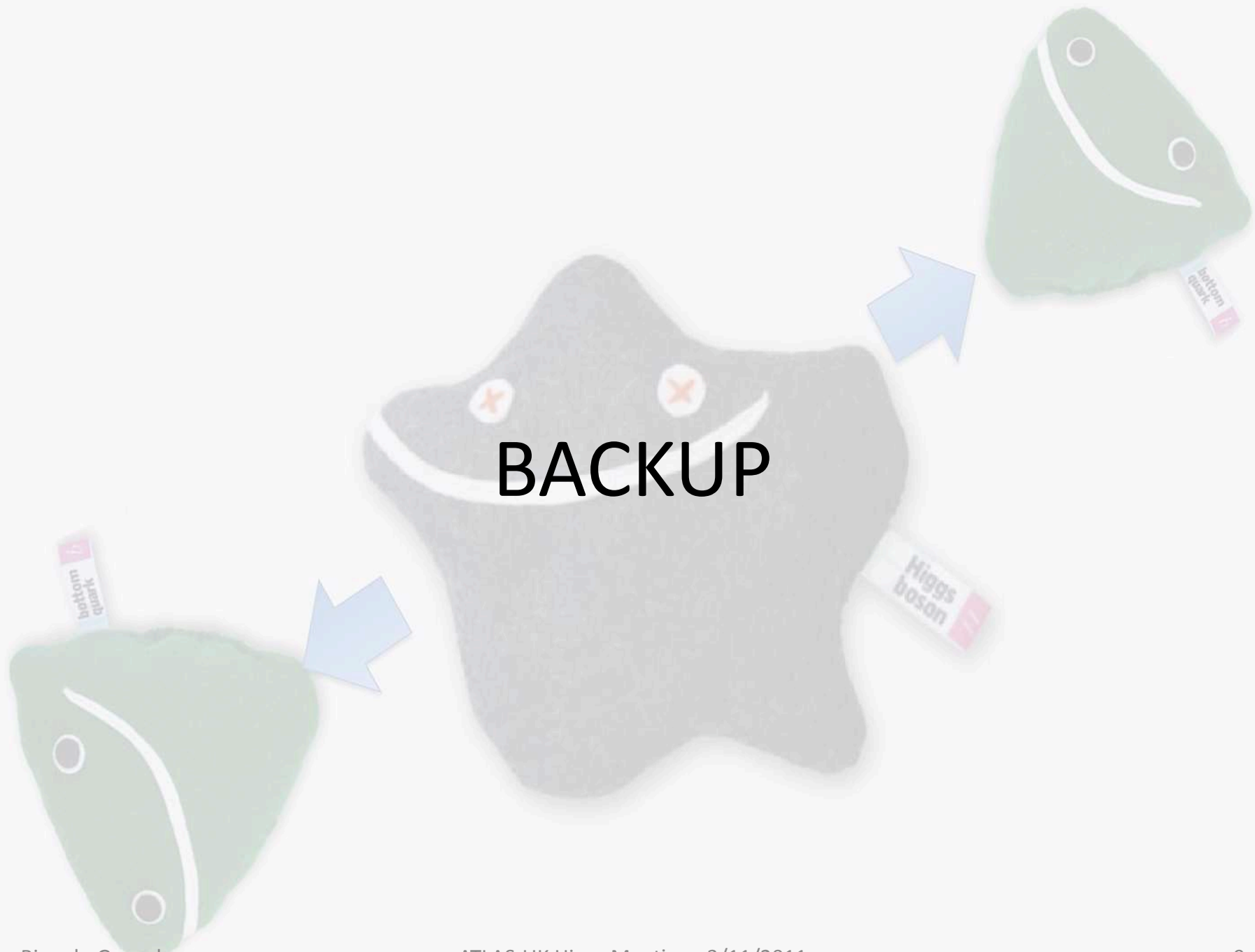
- Main candidates for CERN Council meeting are  $WH \rightarrow lvbb$  and  $ZH \rightarrow llbb$
- Moriond is our real goal - aiming for results from:
  - $WH \rightarrow lvbb$
  - $ZH \rightarrow llbb$
  - $ZH \rightarrow vvbb$
  - plus jet substructure VH analyses
  - $ttH$

- H->bb UK activity reflected in today's agenda
- New results shown today (and there's more...)

14:15 - 14:25	<b>H-&gt;bbbar Overview 10'</b> Speaker: Ricardo Jose Morais Silva Goncalo (University of London (GB))
14:25 - 14:45	<b>WH, H-&gt;b bbar 20'</b> Speaker: Benedict Allbrooke (University of Birmingham (GB))
14:45 - 15:05	<b>Boosted WH, H-&gt;bbbar 20'</b> Speakers: Wahid Bhimji (University of Edinburgh (GB)), Dr. Victoria Jane Martin (University of Edinburgh (GB))
15:05 - 15:35	<b>Tea</b>
15:35 - 15:55	<b>ZH-&gt;nu nu b bbar 20'</b> Speaker: Matthew Jackson (University of Liverpool (GB)) Material: <a href="#">Slides</a> 
15:55 - 16:15	<b>ttH, H-&gt;b bbar 20'</b> Speaker: Donny Quilty (University of Glasgow (GB)) Material: <a href="#">Slides</a> 



**BACKUP**



- Common event selection:

	$ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell b\bar{b}$	$WH \rightarrow \ell\nu b\bar{b}$
<b>Trigger</b>	single/dilepton	single lepton
<b>Primary vertex</b>	primary vertex with > 3 tracks	
<b>Number of leptons</b>	exactly two	exactly one
<b>Invariant/transverse mass</b>	$76 < m_{\ell\ell} < 106$ GeV	$m_T > 40$ GeV
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	$E_T^{\text{miss}} < 50$ GeV	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 25$ GeV
<b>Jets</b>	at least two	exactly two
<b>b-tagged jets</b>	exactly two	exactly two

- Lepton Identification:

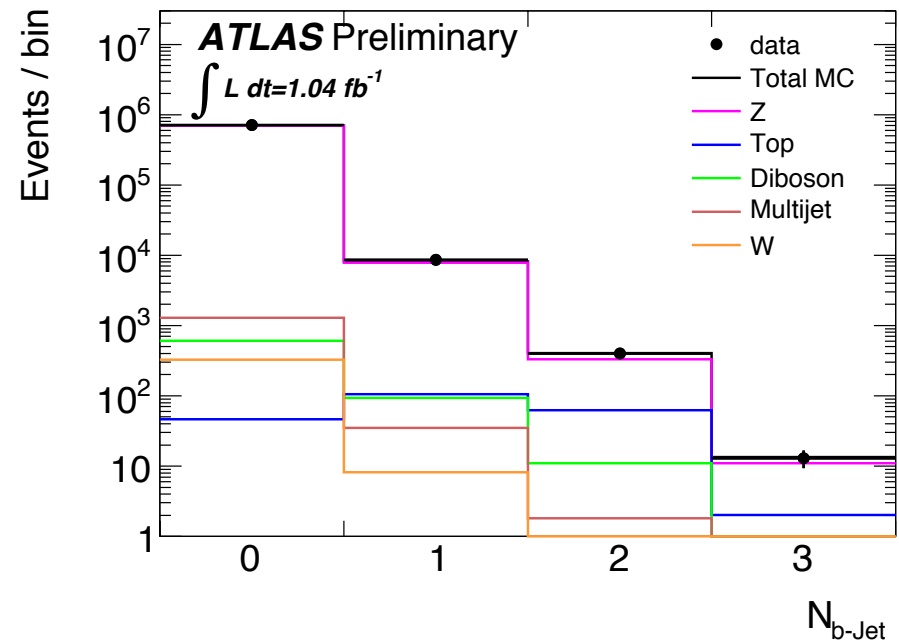
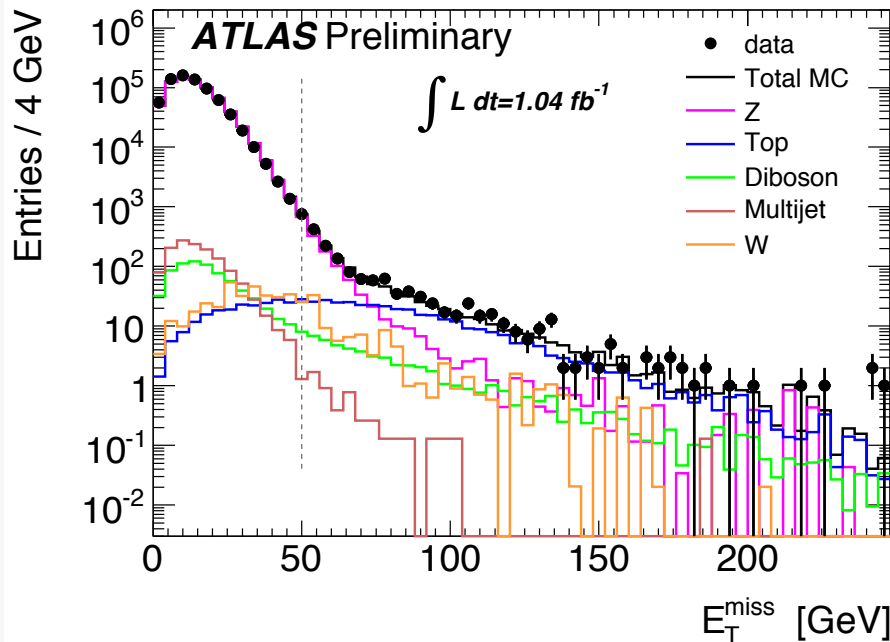
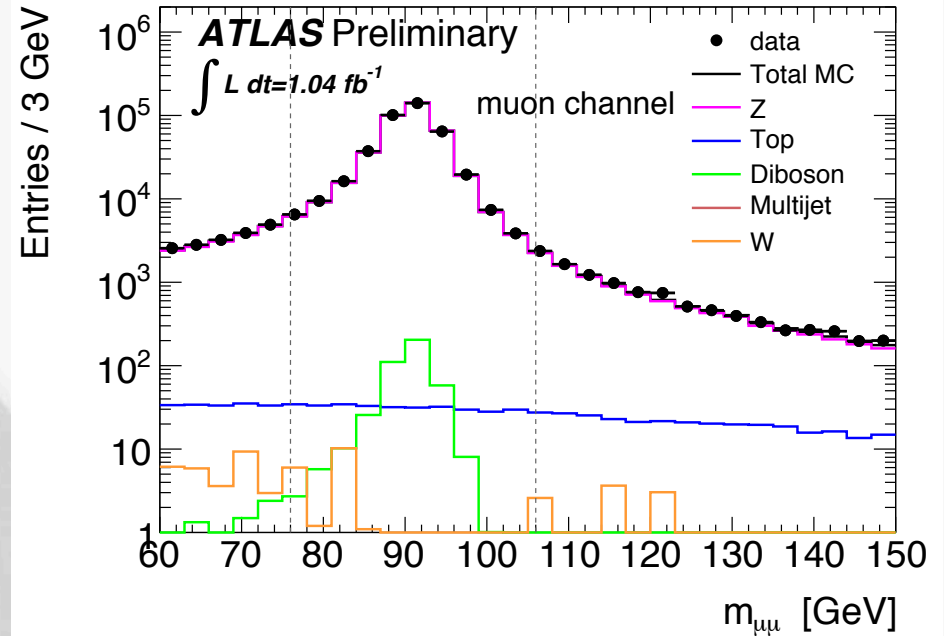
	$ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell b\bar{b}$		$WH \rightarrow \ell\nu b\bar{b}$	
	<i>e</i> channel	$\mu$ channel	<i>e</i> channel	$\mu$ channel
<b>Kinematic cuts</b>	$E_T^e > 20$ GeV $ \eta_{cluster}^e  < 2.47$	$P_T^\mu > 20$ GeV $ \eta^\mu  < 2.5$	$E_T^e > 25$ GeV $ \eta_{cluster}^e  < 2.47$	$P_T^\mu > 25$ GeV $ \eta^\mu  < 2.4$
<b>impact parameter</b>	$ d_0  < 1$ mm $ z_0  < 10$ mm		$ d_0  < 0.1$ mm $ z_0  < 10$ mm	
<b>Track isolation</b>	$\sum_{tracks} P_T^{\text{track}}(\Delta R < 0.2)/p_T^\mu < 0.1$			

- Jet reconstruction:

<b>Constituents</b>	Topological jets
<b>Identification</b>	Anti- $K_T$ $R = 0.4$
<b>Kinematic cuts</b>	$P_T^{\text{jet}} > 25$ GeV $ \eta^{\text{jet}}  < 2.5$
<b>Pile-Up conditions</b>	$ JVF  > 0.75$

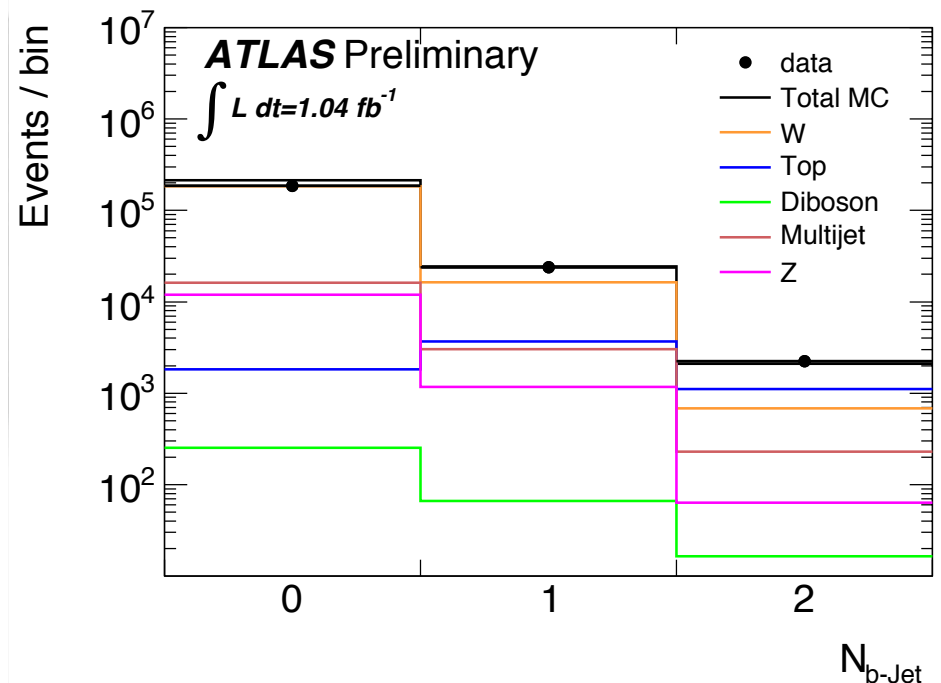
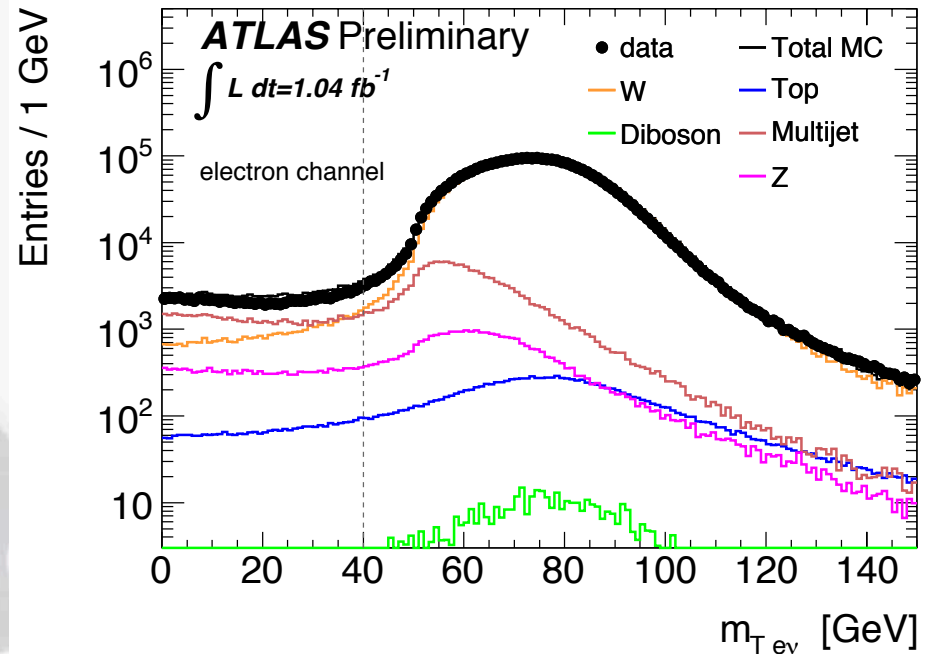
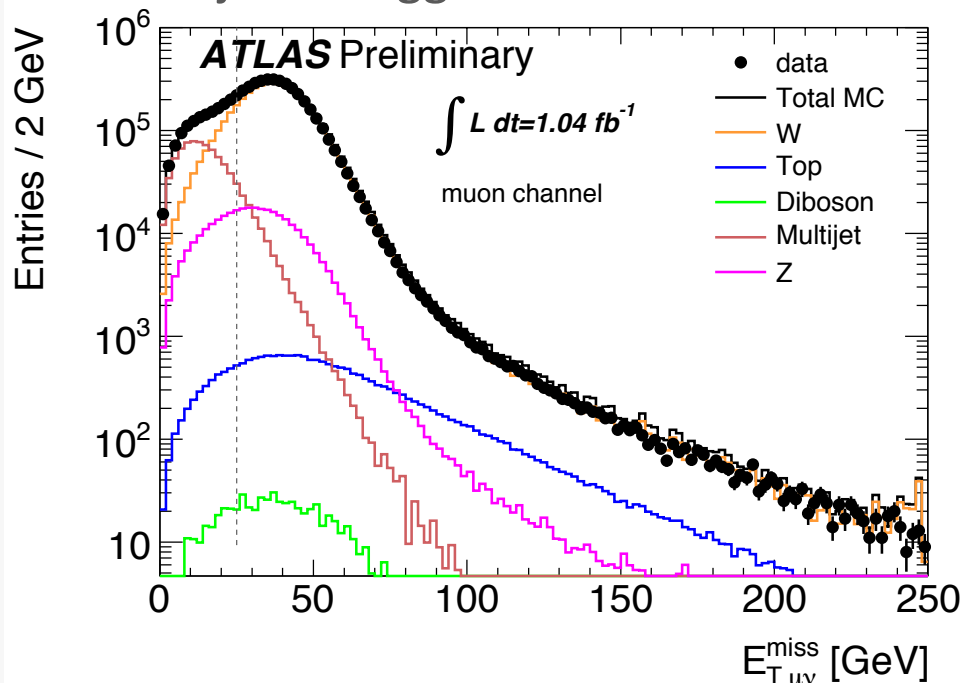
# ZH → llbb Selection

- Trigger:
  - e ( $p_T^e > 20 \text{ GeV}$ ) or  $\mu$  ( $p_T^\mu > 18 \text{ GeV}$ )
  - 2e/2 $\mu$  trigger ( $p_T > 12 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Exactly 2 leptons  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ 
  - Opposite charge for  $\mu$
- Z mass cut:  $76 < m_{ll} < 106 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} < 50 \text{ GeV}$
- Two leading jets b tagged



# WH → lνbb Selection

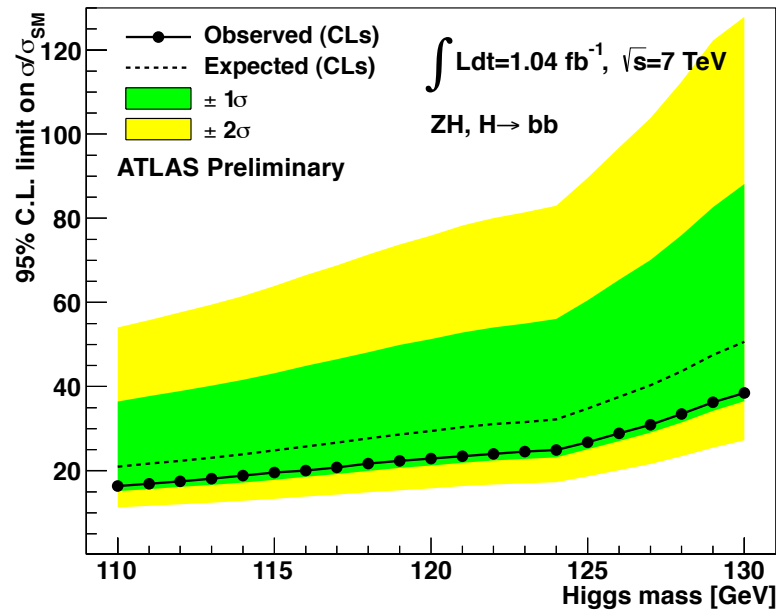
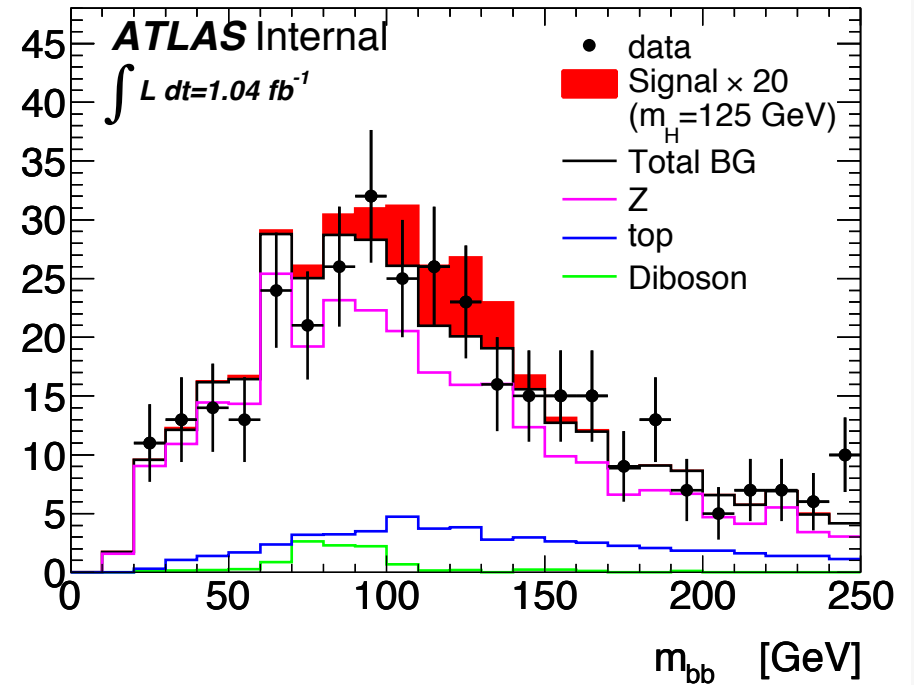
- Trigger: e ( $p_T^e > 20\text{GeV}$ ) or  $\mu$  ( $p_T^\mu > 18\text{GeV}$ )
- Exactly 1 lepton –  $p_T > 25\text{GeV}$
- $M_T = \sqrt{2p_T^l p_T^\nu (1 - \cos \Delta\phi_{l\nu})} > 40\text{ GeV}$
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 25\text{GeV}$
- Exactly 2 jets (anti- $k_T$  0.4;  $E_T > 25\text{GeV}$ ) to reduce top background
- Both jets b tagged



# ZH → bb

- Good description of the background
- No excess observed
- Single-channel exclusion of  $\approx 20x$  Standard Model

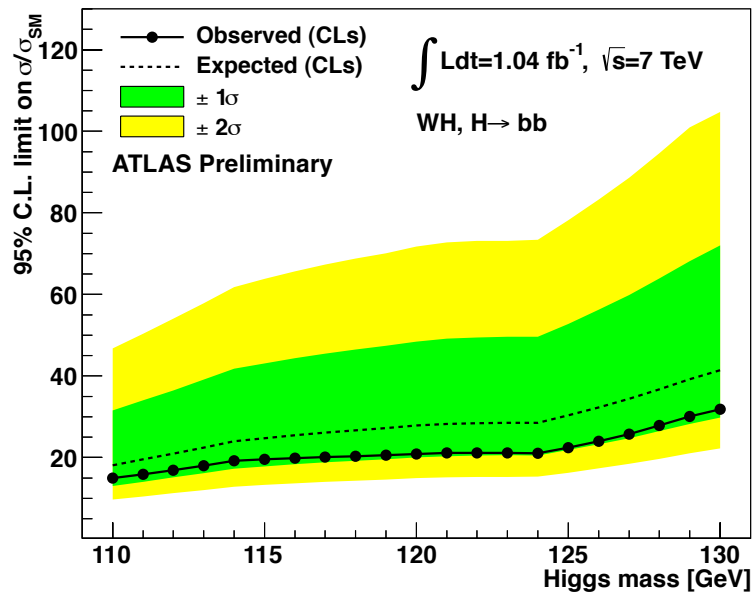
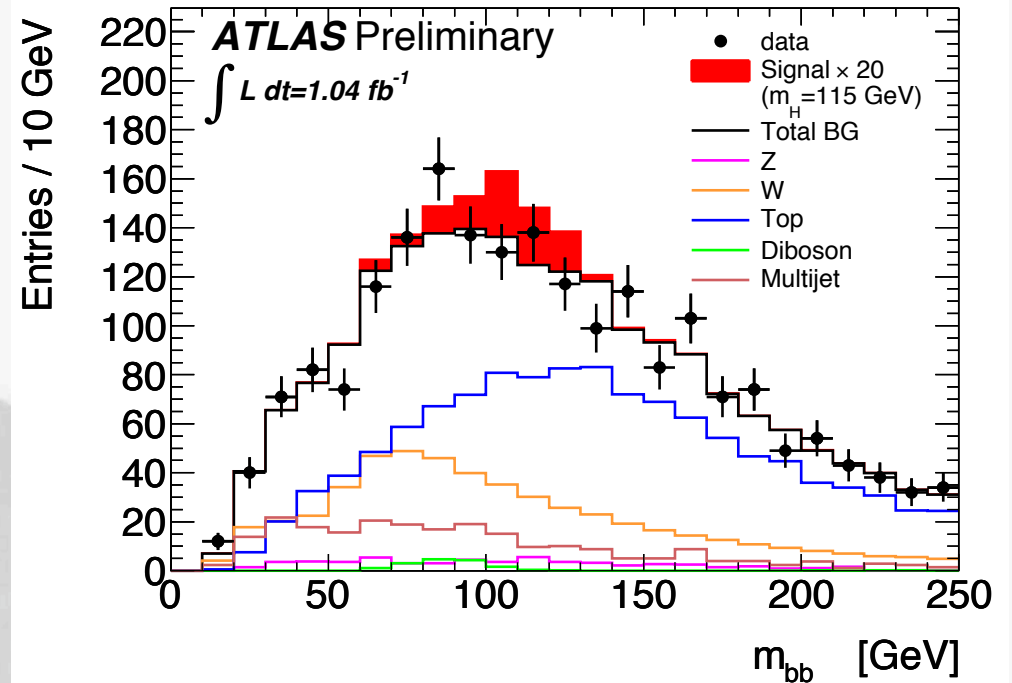
Entries / 10 GeV



Source	expected		
	events	(stat.)	(sys.)
Z+jets	261.0 ± 7.8	± 24.6	
Top-quark	52.0 ± 1.3	± 10.6	
Multijet	1.4 ± 0.4	± 1.4	
ZZ	9.2 ± 1.1	± 2.3	
WZ	1.1 ± 0.3	± 0.3	
Total background	324.8 ± 8.0	± 27.9	
Data	329		
Signal $m_H = 110$ GeV	2.22 ± 0.09	± 0.43	
Signal $m_H = 115$ GeV	1.91 ± 0.07	± 0.38	
Signal $m_H = 120$ GeV	1.58 ± 0.06	± 0.32	
Signal $m_H = 125$ GeV	1.44 ± 0.05	± 0.28	
Signal $m_H = 130$ GeV	1.02 ± 0.04	± 0.20	

# WH → lvbb

- Good description of the background
- No excess observed
- Single-channel exclusion of  $\approx 20\text{-}30\times$  Standard Model



Source	expected		
	events	(stat.)	(sys.)
Z+jets	54.4	$\pm 3.9$	$\pm 12.3$
W+jets	466.7	$\pm 1.4$	$\pm 67.1$
Top-quark	1141.8	$\pm 8.8$	$\pm 81.2$
Multijet	193.0	$\pm 9.4$	$\pm 96.5$
WZ	16.1	$\pm 2.2$	$\pm 3.5$
WW	4.8	$\pm 1.1$	$\pm 1.4$
Total background	1876.6	$\pm 13.7$	$\pm 150.7$
Data	1888		
Signal $m_H = 110$ GeV	6.72	$\pm 0.31$	$\pm 1.20$
Signal $m_H = 115$ GeV	5.25	$\pm 0.30$	$\pm 0.97$
Signal $m_H = 120$ GeV	4.54	$\pm 0.25$	$\pm 0.83$
Signal $m_H = 125$ GeV	4.08	$\pm 0.21$	$\pm 0.77$
Signal $m_H = 130$ GeV	3.28	$\pm 0.17$	$\pm 0.62$



- First direct search for  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  at the LHC in WH and ZH channels
- Combined sensitivity to  $\approx 10\text{-}20\times$  Standard Model
- Room for improvement!
  - Reduce systematics
  - New channels to explore
  - Multivariate analyses
  - Lots of data expected!
- Proof of principle for boosted Higgs analysis
- **Watch this space!**

Ref.: ATLAS-CONF-2011-103

