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A Precise Bound On The Higgs Boson Width

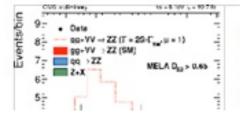
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At 125 GeV of mass, the Higgs boson is a very heavy particle; yet its natural width is

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CMS sets new constraints on the width of the Higgs boson



After the discovery of a Higgs boson at the LHC in 2012, all of the measurements of its properties and tests of its spin-parity have proved to be consistent with the predictions of the Standard Model. One important property is its natural width, which is expected to be small in the

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How wide is a Higgs?

In accord with Heisenberg's uncertainty principle, short-lived particles have uncertain mass. So the Higgs boson, which gives mass to other particles, is uncertain about its own mass. New results from the CMS experiment at the CERN LHC have started to tell us how uncertain



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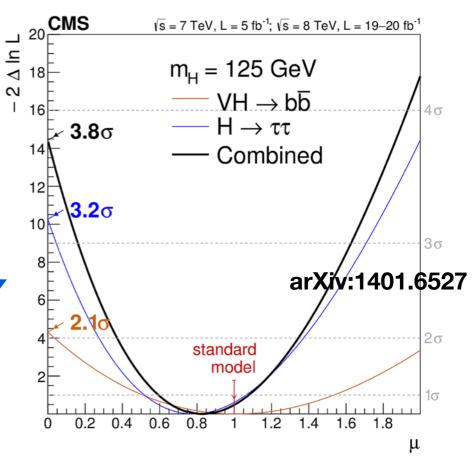
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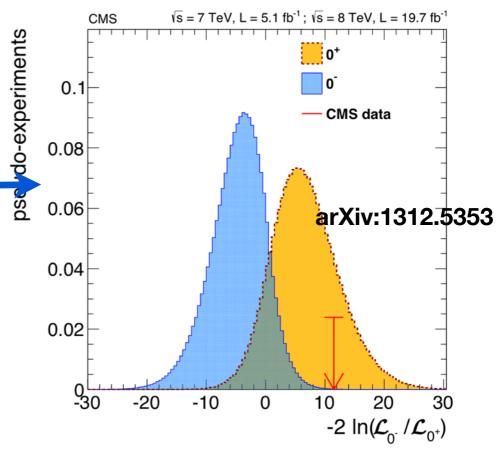


After discovery

- Great progress since Higgs boson discovery
 - Observation in boson channels
 - Evidence in fermion channels
 - Mass measurements
 - CMS H→ZZ→4I measurement 125.6±0.4(stat.)±0.2(syst.)GeV
 - Spin/parity studies

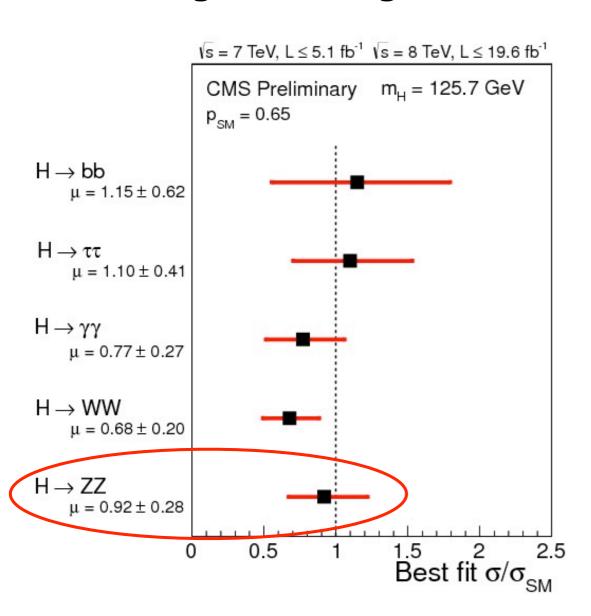
Looks more and more like the SM Higgs boson





Property measurements - signal strength

"Signal strength" $\mu = \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$



Narrow width approximation

$$\sigma_{\rm gg \to H \to ZZ}^{\rm on-peak} \propto \frac{g_{\rm ggH}^2 g_{\rm HZZ}^2}{\Gamma_{\rm H}}$$

Define
$$r = \Gamma_{\rm H}/\Gamma_{\rm H}^{\rm SM}$$

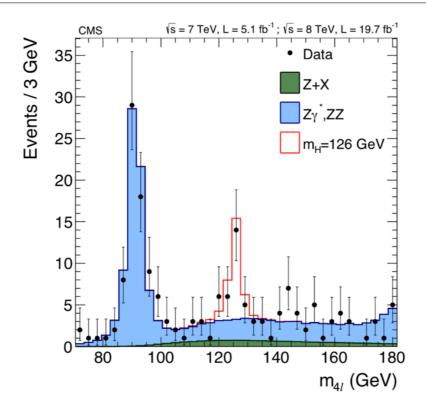
$$\kappa_g = g_{\rm ggH}/g_{\rm ggH}^{\rm SM}$$
 $\kappa_Z = g_{\rm HZZ}/g_{\rm HZZ}^{\rm SM}$

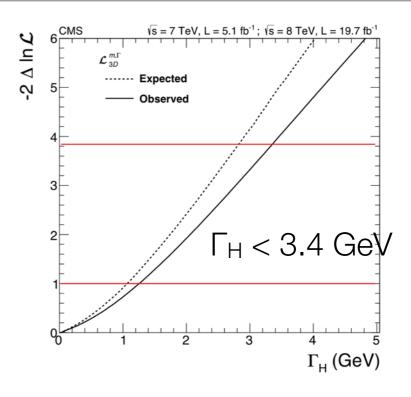
$$\sigma_{gg \to H \to ZZ}^{\text{on-peak}} = \frac{\kappa_g^2 \kappa_Z^2}{r} (\sigma \cdot \mathcal{B})_{\text{SM}} \equiv \mu (\sigma \cdot \mathcal{B})_{\text{SM}}$$

The μ unchanged if the numerator and denominator are scaled by a common factor

Property measurements - width

arXiv:1312.5353



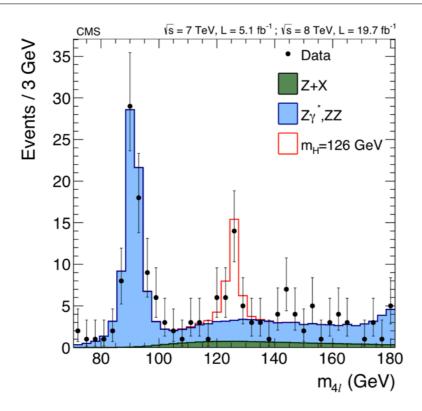


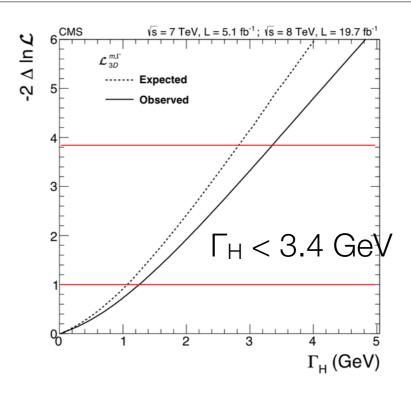
 $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ results $\Gamma_H < 6.9$ GeV (**CMS-HIG-13-016**) Direct measurements are limited by experimental resolutions

SM Higgs total width ~4 MeV @125GeV

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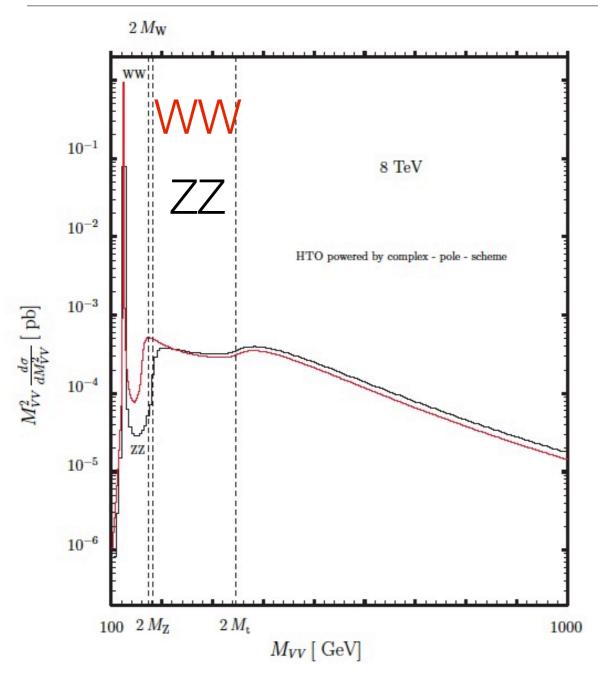


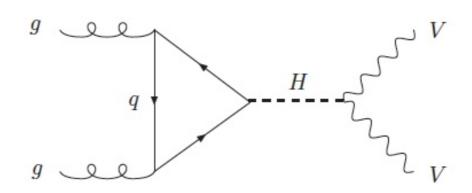
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Waiting for a lepton collider...

Higgs off-shell production and decay





Off-shell production cross section has been shown to be sizable at high VV invariant mass

A mixed effect of production and decay: enhancement at 2m_v and 2m_t thresholds

		$M_{\rm ZZ} > 2M_Z[{ m pb}]$	R[%]
$gg \to H \to \text{ all }$	19.146	0.1525	0.8
$gg \to H \to ZZ$	0.5462	0.0416	7.6

N. Kauer and G. Passarino, JHEP 08 (2012) 116

Constraining the Higgs boson width

- F. Caola, K. Melnikov (Phys. Rev. D88 (2013) 054024)
- J. Campbell et al. (arXiv:1311.3589)

The production cross section as a function of mzz

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\rm gg\to H\to ZZ}}{dm_{\rm ZZ}^2} \propto g_{\rm ggH}^2 g_{\rm HZZ}^2 \frac{F(m_{\rm ZZ})}{(m_{\rm ZZ}^2-m_{\rm H}^2)^2+m_{\rm H}^2\Gamma_{\rm H}^2}$$

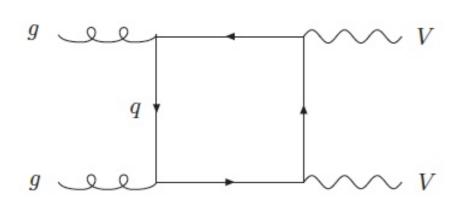
On-shell vs. off-shell

$$\sigma_{\rm gg o H o ZZ}^{\rm on-peak} \propto rac{g_{\rm ggH}^2 g_{\rm HZZ}^2}{\Gamma_{
m H}}, \quad \sigma_{\rm gg o H o ZZ}^{
m off-peak} \propto g_{\rm ggH}^2 g_{\rm HZZ}^2$$

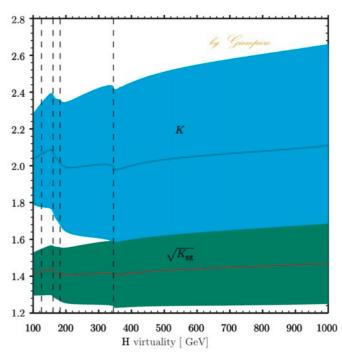
Away from the resonance, the cross section is independent of the width. The ratio of off-shell and on-shell production leads to a direct constraint of Γ_H Assuming the coupling constants remain invariant at the low and high mass region.

Data and MC samples

- 2012 data, 8 TeV, corresponding to L = 19.7 fb⁻¹
- gg→ZZ→4I/2I2v events are generated at LO using gg2VV3.1.5 and/or MCFM6.7
 - Generations include Higgs boson signal, continuum background and their interference
 - Higgs boson mass set to 125.6 GeV (corresponding SM width 4.15 MeV)
 - The renormalization and factorization scales are set to mzz/2 (running scales)
 - NNLO K factors applied as a function of mZZ; same K factors applied to continuum backgrounds (M. Bonvini et al. (Phys. Rev. D88 (2013) 034032))



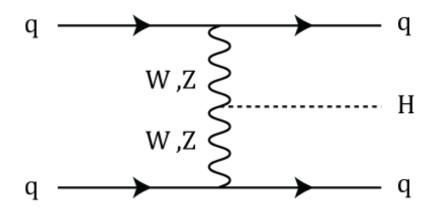
Higgs signal interferes with continuum background

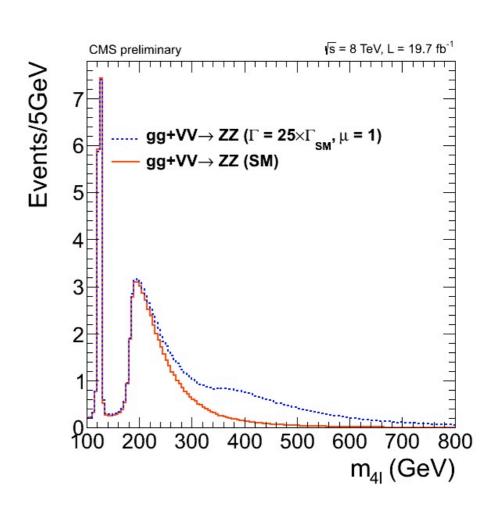


G. Passarino (arXiv:1312.2397)

MC samples

- Vector Boson Fusion(VBF) Higgs production mode is expected to also produce an offshell tail, and could be as large as 10% in the high mass region, compared to gg fusion mode. qq'→ZZ+qq'→4l/2l2v+qq' events are generated using PHANTOM, including the signal, background and their interference
- Background samples are generated from POWHEG or MADGRAPH, and normalized to NLO cross sections where available
- GEANT4 based CMS detector simulation





Analysis strategy

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\rm gg\to H\to ZZ}^{\rm off-peak}}{dm_{\rm ZZ}} = \kappa_{\rm g}^2\kappa_{\rm Z}^2 \cdot \frac{d\sigma_{\rm gg\to H\to ZZ}^{\rm off-peak,SM}}{dm_{\rm ZZ}} = \mu r \frac{d\sigma_{\rm gg\to H\to ZZ}^{\rm off-peak,SM}}{dm_{\rm ZZ}}$$

Once the μ taken from a measurement or calculation, the offshell cross section gives direct constraint on r= Γ/Γ_{SM}

μ from CMS on-peak 4I measurement is used (with its stat. uncertainty)

$$\mu$$
(obs) =0.93^{+0.26}_{-0.24} μ (exp) =1.00^{+0.27}_{-0.24}

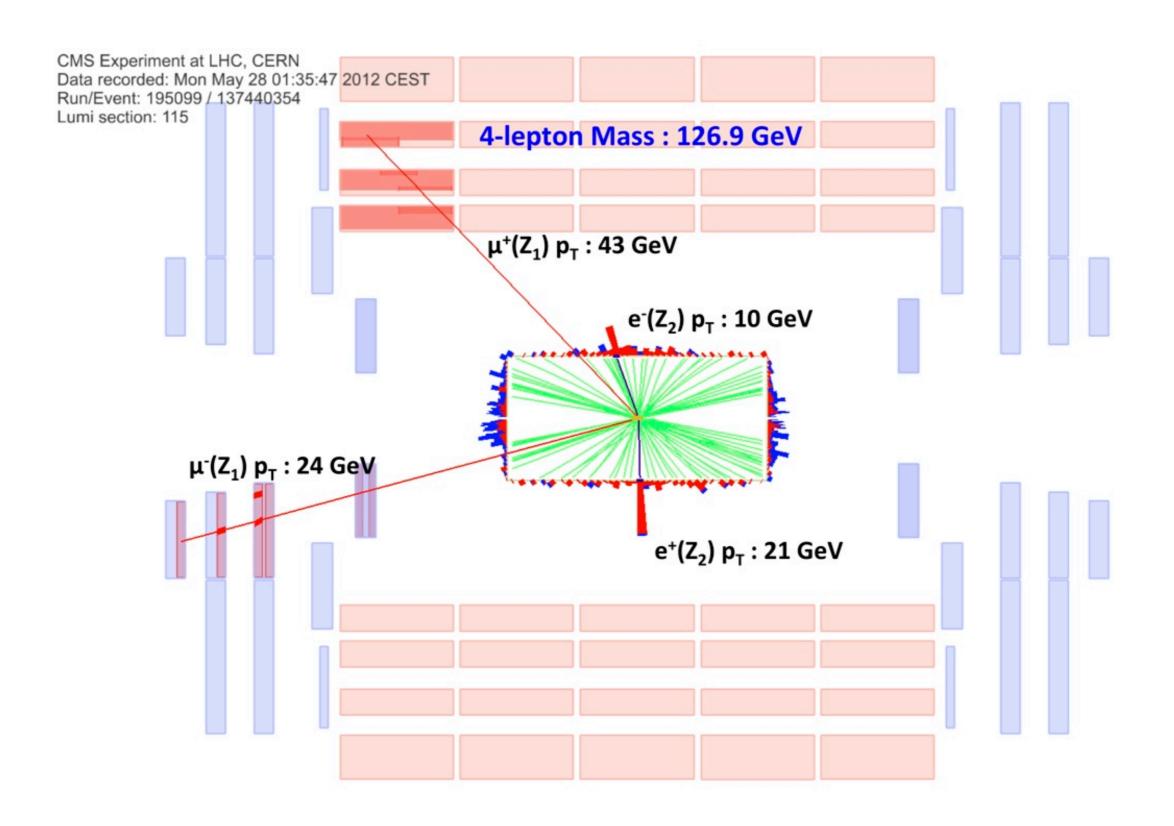
$$\mathcal{L}_{i} = N_{\text{gg}\to\text{ZZ}} \left[\mu r \times \mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}^{gg} + \sqrt{\mu r} \times \mathcal{P}_{\text{int}}^{gg} + \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}^{gg} \right]$$

$$+ N_{\text{VBF}} \left[\mu r \times \mathcal{P}_{\text{sig}}^{VBF} + \sqrt{\mu r} \times \mathcal{P}_{\text{int}}^{VBF} + \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}^{VBF} \right] + N_{q\bar{q}\to\text{ZZ}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}^{q\bar{q}} + \dots$$

The parameterization of gg→ZZ and VBF processes includes three correlated distributions for signal, background and their interference;

Assuming $\mu_{ggF} = \mu_{VBF}$

$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2|2|'$



41 analysis - overview

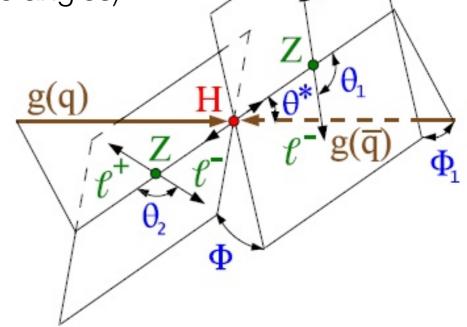
- Same event reconstruction and selection as those used in the previous measurement of Higgs boson properties (arXiv: 1312.5353)
- Event selections:
 - Two pairs of leptons (electrons or muons), isolated, of opposite sign and same flavor;
 Z₁: closest to the Z boson mass; Z₂: the remaining with highest scalar sum of p_T
 - At least one lepton has $p_T > 20$ GeV, and another has $p_T > 10$ GeV
 - $40 < m_{Z1} < 120 \text{ GeV}$; $12 < m_{Z2} < 120 \text{ GeV}$
 - Off-shell analysis region: 220 < m_{4l} < 1600 GeV
- Background:
 - Irreducible background is qq→ZZ, modeled from MC
 - Reducible background (much smaller) is Z+X (Z and WZ, at least one lepton is non-prompt), evaluated using a "fake rate" method, with control regions in data

41 analysis - MELA Dgg

Matrix element likelihood approach (MELA)

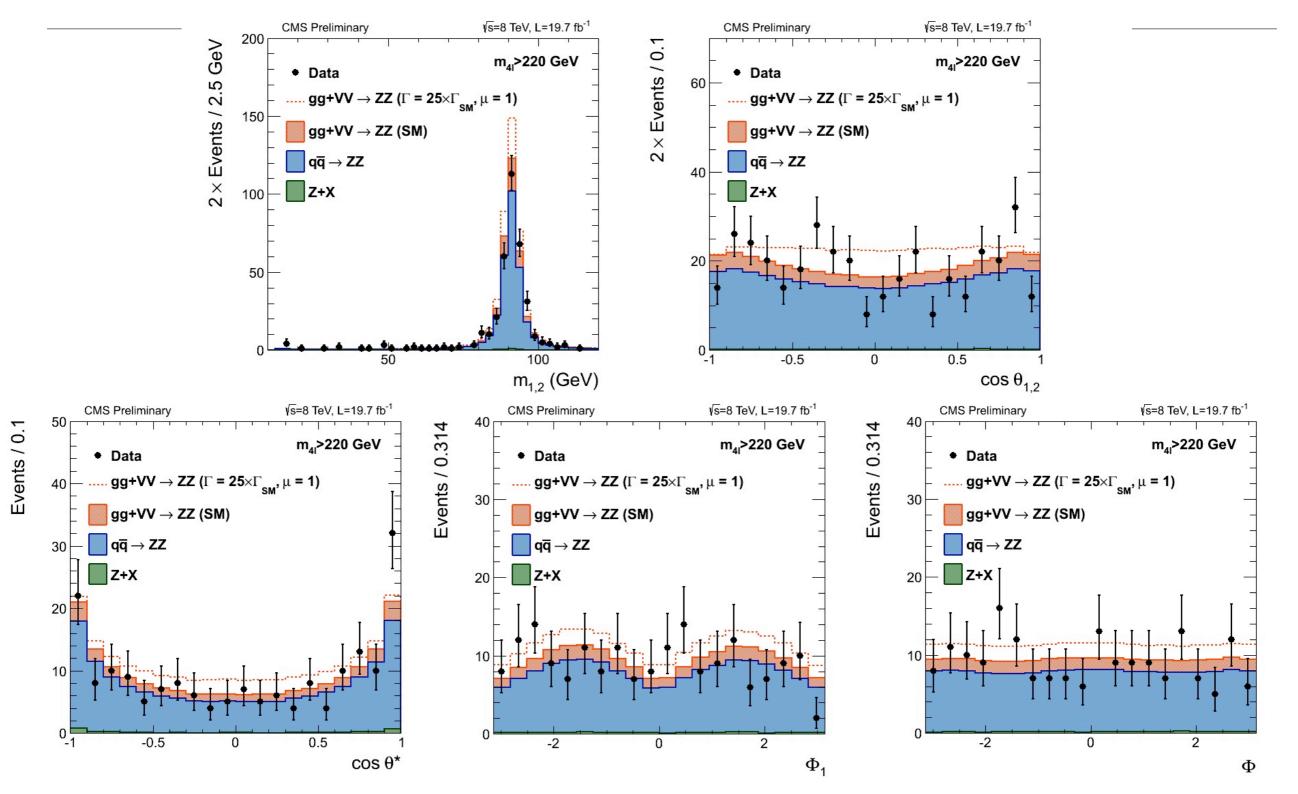
A kinematic discriminant to separate $gg \rightarrow ZZ$ from $qq \rightarrow ZZ$ Characterize event topology in ZZ center-of-mass frame, with 7 variables completely describing kinematics (m_{Z1} , m_{Z2} , five angles)

$$\mathcal{D}_{gg} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{P}_{gg}}{\mathcal{P}_{gg} + \mathcal{P}_{q\bar{q}}} = \left[1 + \frac{\mathcal{P}_{bkg}^{q\bar{q}}}{a \times \mathcal{P}_{sig}^{gg} + \sqrt{a} \times \mathcal{P}_{int}^{gg} + \mathcal{P}_{bkg}^{gg}}\right]^{-1}$$

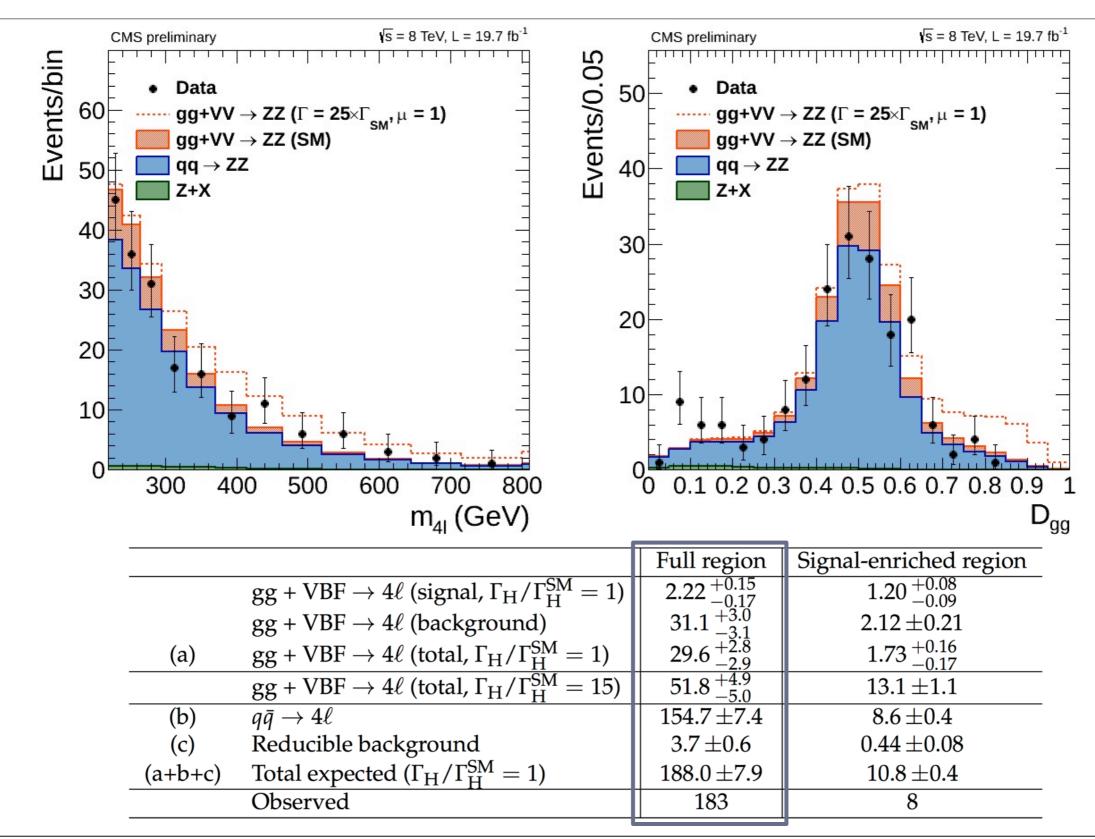


(Depends on parameter a (relative weight of signal in the likelihood ratio). Since the expected exclusion is $r \sim 10$, use a = 10)

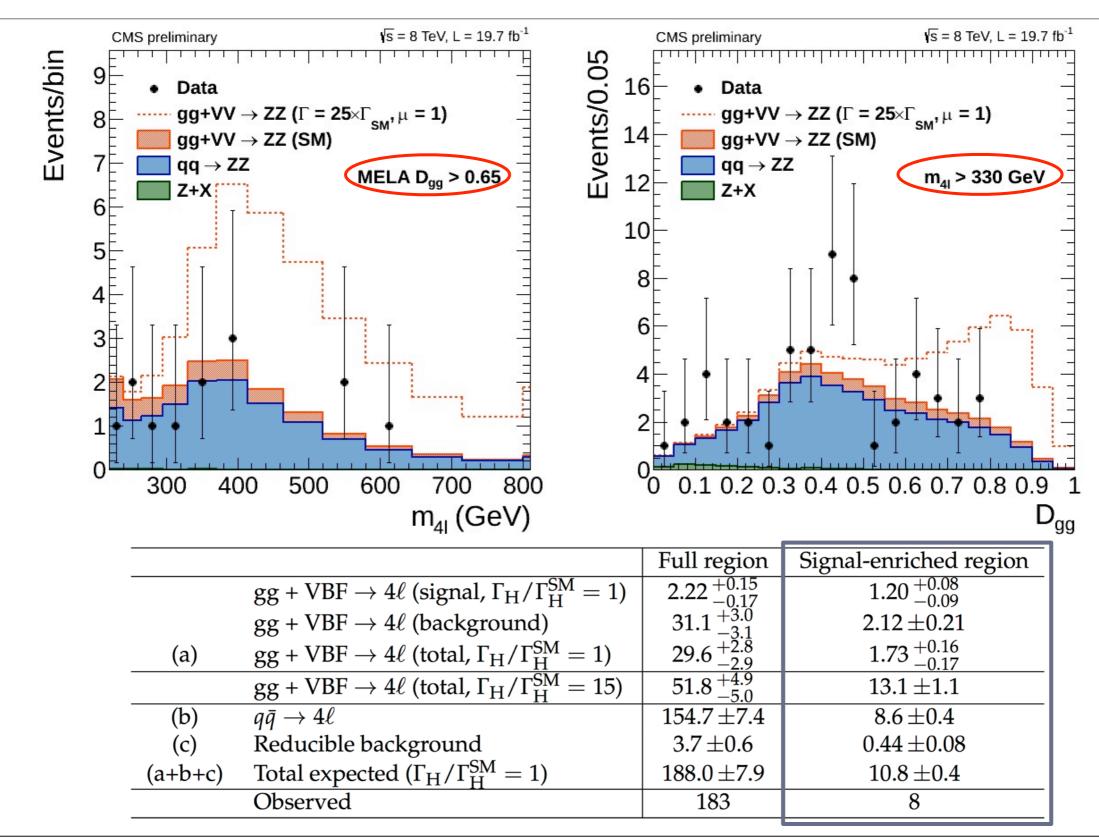
41 analysis - inputs to Dgg



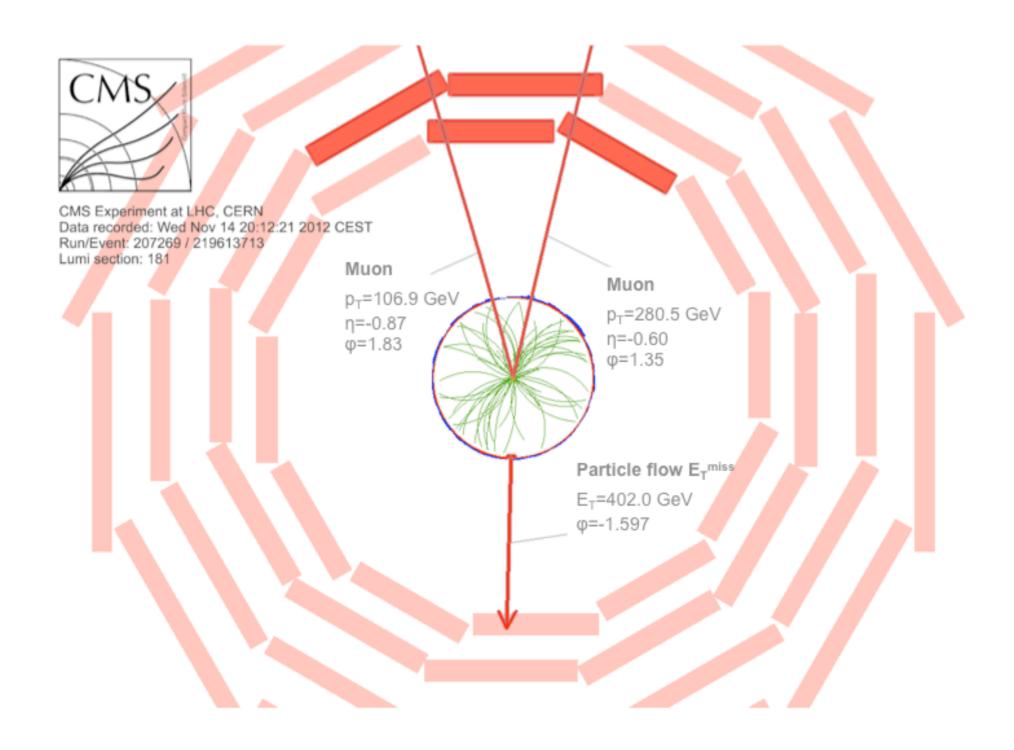
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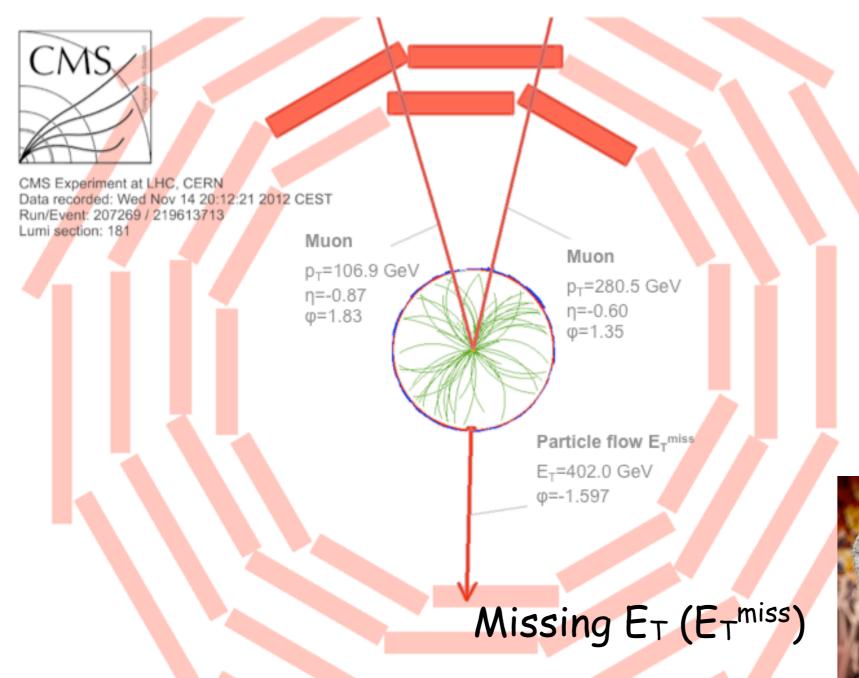
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$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 212v$



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212v analysis - overview

- 6 times higher branching ratio compared to 4I final state
 - Branching ratio matters in high mass region where cross section is low
- No access to Higgs on-shell production
 - Z+jets background is several orders of magnitude higher (fake E_T^{miss} due to hadronic energy mis-measurement)
- Other backgrounds
 - Irreducible: ZZ, WZ
 - Non-resonant (not involving a Z boson): top, WW

Transverse mass
$$m_{\mathrm{T}}^2 = \left[\sqrt{p_{\mathrm{T},\ell\ell^2} + m_{\ell\ell^2}} + \sqrt{E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}^2} + m_{\ell\ell^2}}\right]^2 - \left[\vec{p}_{\mathrm{T},\ell\ell} + \vec{E}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}\right]^2$$

212v analysis - event selection

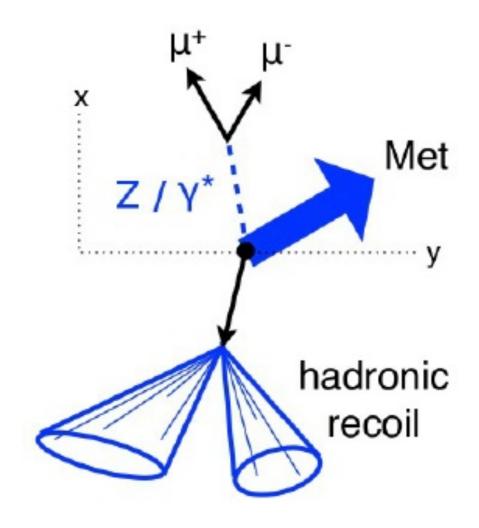
- Z+large E_Tmiss signature
 - To select a Z→II: a pair of electrons or muons, isolated, p_T > 20 GeV, |m(II) - 91| < 15 GeV
 - To reject WZ: veto 3rd lepton (p_T > 10 GeV)
 - To reject top processes: veto b-tagged jet; veto soft-muon (p_T > 3 GeV)
 - To reject Z+jets: $E_T^{miss} > 80$ GeV; Azimuthal angle of E_T^{miss} and the closest jet: $\Delta \varphi > 0.5$
- To improve sensitivity, selected events are categorized according to number and topology of jet (p_T > 30 GeV)
 - VBF, 0 jet, ≥1 jet(non-VBF)
 - VBF is defined as m(jj) > 500 GeV and Δη(jj) > 4

2l2v analysis background estimations

- qq→ZZ, WZ estimated from MC
- Non-resonant background (tt, tW, WW)
 - Estimated from data using lepton flavor symmetry: compute the ee/eµ and μμ/eµ ratios in sideband, and apply the ratios to eµ events in signal region
- Z+jets background
 - Modeled by photon+jets events in data: reweight photon p_T spectrum to match that of dilepton in data, and model E_T^{miss} with photon sample

$$\alpha_{\mu} = \frac{N_{\mu\mu}^{\mathrm{SB}}}{N_{\mathrm{e}\mu}^{\mathrm{SB}}}, \qquad \alpha_{\mathrm{e}} = \frac{N_{\mathrm{ee}}^{\mathrm{SB}}}{N_{\mathrm{e}\mu}^{\mathrm{SB}}}$$

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, $N_{ee} = \alpha_{e} \times N_{e\mu}$

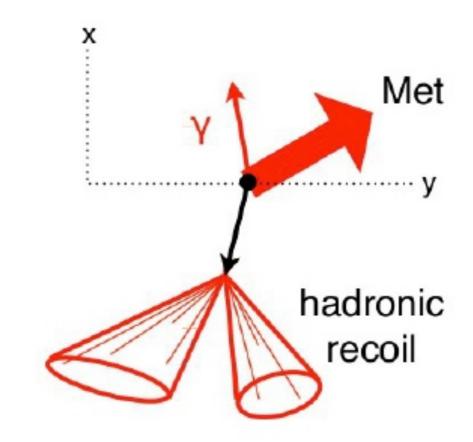


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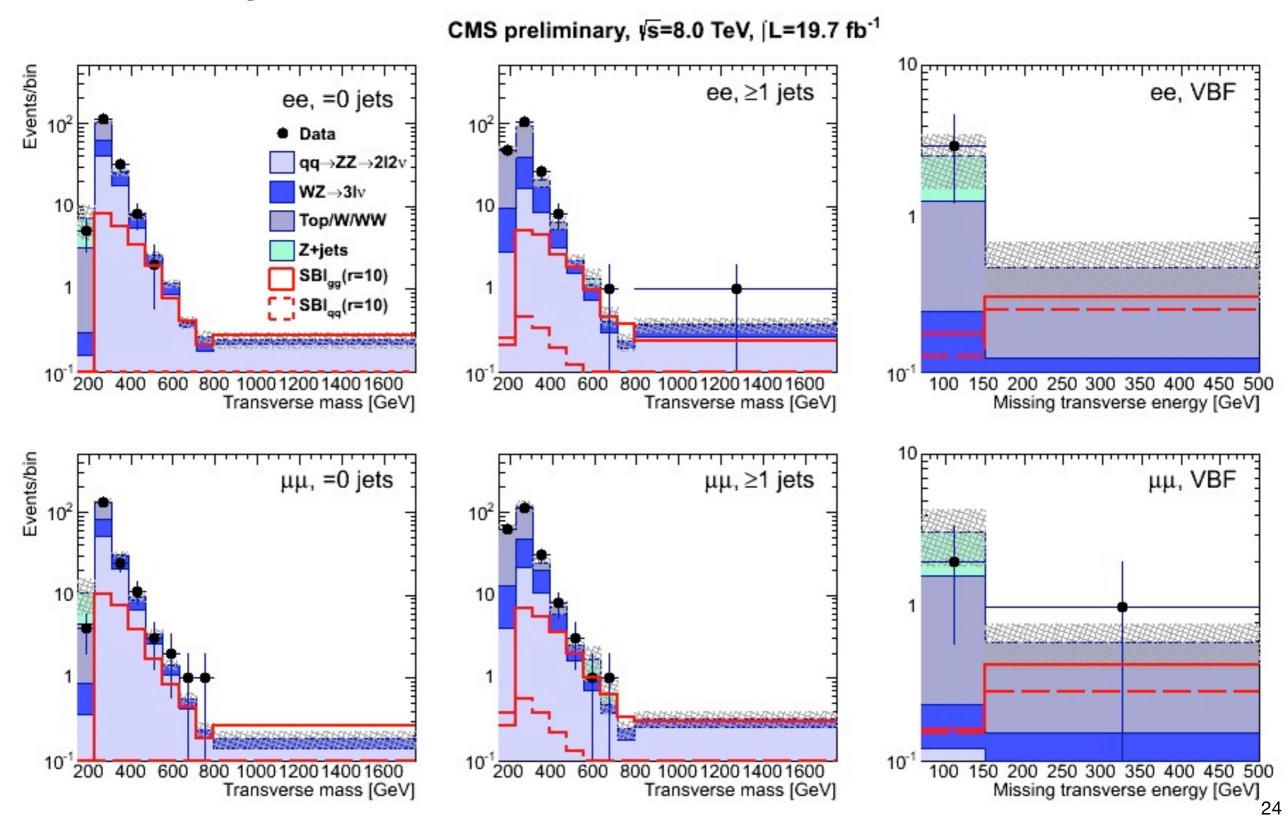
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2l2v analysis - m_T and E_T^{miss} distributions



2l2v analysis - event yields

Signal enriched region: E_T^{miss} > 100 GeV and m_T > 350 GeV

		ee	μμ
	gg + VBF (signal, $\Gamma_{\rm H}/\Gamma_{\rm H}^{\rm SM}=1$)	2.3 ± 0.5	2.7 ± 0.6
	gg + VBF (background)	5.4 ± 1.2	6.5 ± 1.4
(a)	gg + VBF (total, $\Gamma_{\rm H}/\Gamma_{\rm H}^{\rm SM}=1$)	4.8 ± 1.1	5.7 ± 1.3
	gg + VBF (total, $\Gamma_{\rm H}/\Gamma_{\rm H}^{\rm SM}=10$)	19.2 ± 5.5	22.6±6.7
	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$	25.0 ± 2.1	29.4 ± 2.5
(l ₂)	WZ	11.6 ± 1.2	13.5 ± 1.4
(b)	$t\bar{t}/tW/WW$	3.3 ± 1.1	4.2 ± 1.4
	Z + jets	1.5 ± 0.9	2.4 ± 1.4
(a+b)	Total expected $(\Gamma_H/\Gamma_H^{SM}=1)$	46.2±3.0	55.3±3.7
	Observed	39	52

Systematic uncertainties

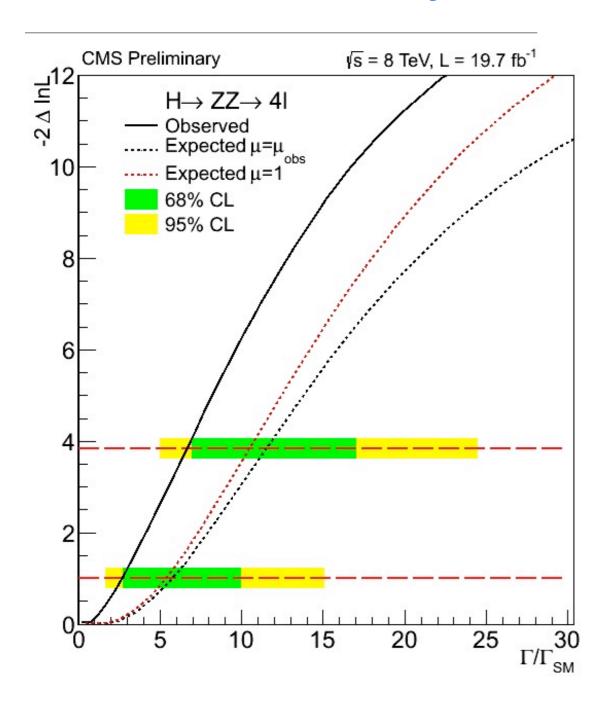
- Theoretical uncertainties
 - gg→ZZ processes: QCD renormalization and factorization scales varied by a factor of two both up and down, and applied corresponding NNLO K factors; PDF variations by using CT10, MSTW2008 and NNPDF2.1
 - Additional 10% on continuum gg→ZZ background, accounting for limited knowledge on its NNLO cross section
 - QCD scales and PDF uncertainties on qq→ZZ and WZ backgrounds
 - In the 2l2v analysis, theoretical uncertainties on jet-binning

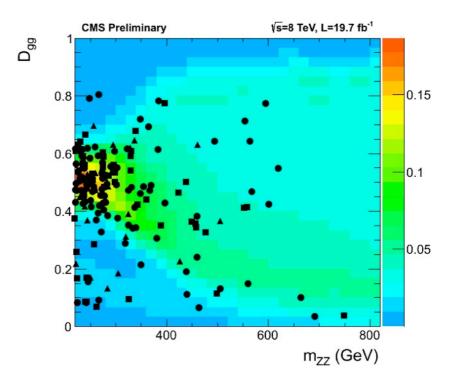
Systematic uncertainties

- Experimental uncertainties
 - Lepton trigger, identification, isolation
 - In the 2l2v analysis, uncertainties on lepton momentum scale and jet energy scale are propagated to E_T^{miss}; b-tagging efficiency
 - Background estimations from data
 - Integrated luminosity of data
 - Limited statistics in MC or data control samples
 - In the 4l analysis, uncertainty of VBF shapes to account for approximate simulation
- For systematics affect both normalization and shape, variations of shape are taken into account

2D fit using m_{41} and D_{gg}

Results in 41 analysis





Observed (expected) 95% CL limit: r < 6.6 (11.5)

Best fit value:

$$r = 0.5^{+2.3}$$
-0.5

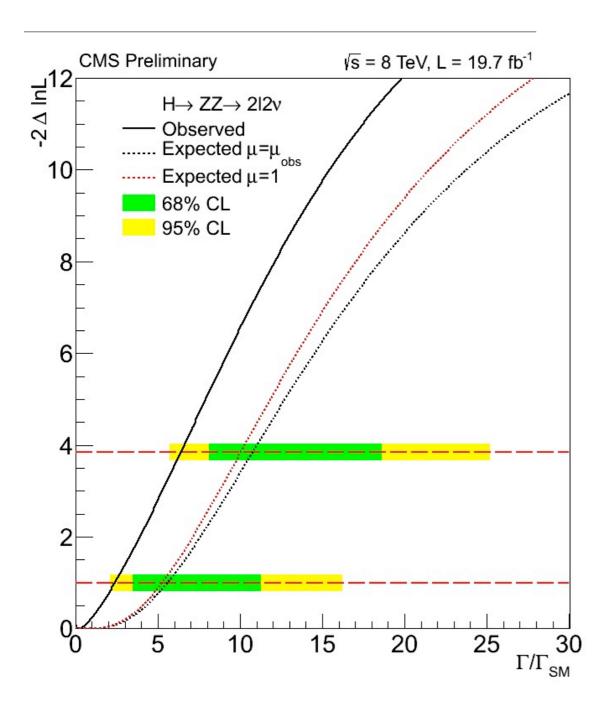
Equivalent to

$$\Gamma < 27.4 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma = 2.0^{+9.6}_{-2.0} \text{ MeV}$$

1D fit on m_{41} : r < 26.3 (17.0 expected) 1D fit on D_{qq} : r < 7.1 (12.7 expected)

Results in 2l2v analysis



1D fit using mt or Etmiss

Observed (expected) 95% CL limit: r < 6.4 (10.7)

Best fit value:

 $r = 0.2^{+2.2}$ -0.2

Equivalent to

 $\Gamma < 26.6 \text{ MeV}$

 $\Gamma = 0.8^{+9.1}_{-0.8} \text{ MeV}$

ee-only: r < 6.9 (14.3 expected)

 $\mu\mu$ -only: r < 14.0 (13.7 expected)

Counting analysis in "signal enriched region":

r < 12.4 (16.4 expected)

Combined results

Observed (expected)

95% CL limit:

r < 4.2 (8.5)

p-value = 0.02

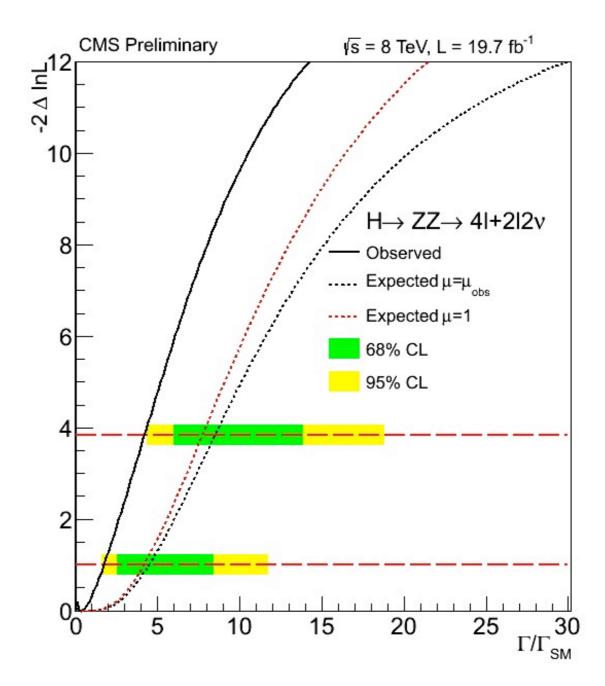
Best fit value:

 $r = 0.3^{+1.5}$ -0.3

Equivalent to

 $\Gamma < 17.4 (35.3) \text{ MeV}$

 $\Gamma = 1.4^{+6.1}_{-1.4} \text{ MeV}$



	4ℓ	$2\ell 2\nu$	Combined
Expected 95% CL limit, r	11.5	10.7	8.5
Observed 95% CL limit, r	6.6	6.4	4.2
Observed 95% CL limit, $\Gamma_{H}(MeV)$	27.4	26.6	17.4
Observed best fit, r	$0.5^{+2.3}_{-0.5}$	$0.2^{+2.2}_{-0.2}$	$0.3^{+1.5}_{-0.3}$
Observed best fit, $\Gamma_{H}(MeV)$	$2.0^{+9.6}_{-2.0}$	$0.8^{+9.1}_{-0.8}$	$1.4^{+6.1}_{-1.4}$

Discussions

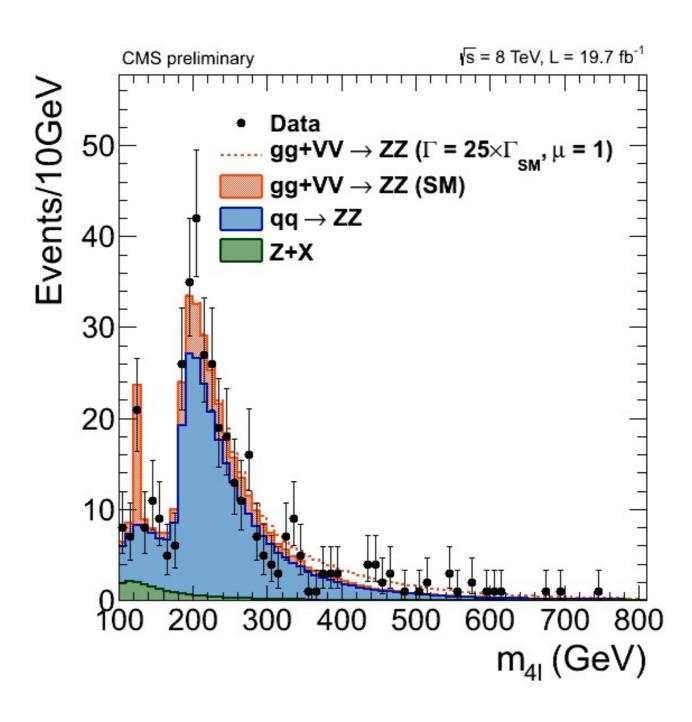
- Currently the on-shell signal strength μ is taken as an external number (with uncertainty)
- In the coming paper (will appear in arXiv tonight), a combined fit is done using the off-shell analysis together with the H->4l on-shell analysis; and μ_{VBF} and μ_{VBF} are constrained separately
- In future, a global fit with all Higgs data in CMS
 - Better measurements of Higgs couplings
 - BR_{H->BSM} (invisible+undetected)
 - Naively, 1-1/(Γ/Γ_{SM}) ~ 75%
 - In the global fit, how much will it improve current result?

Summary

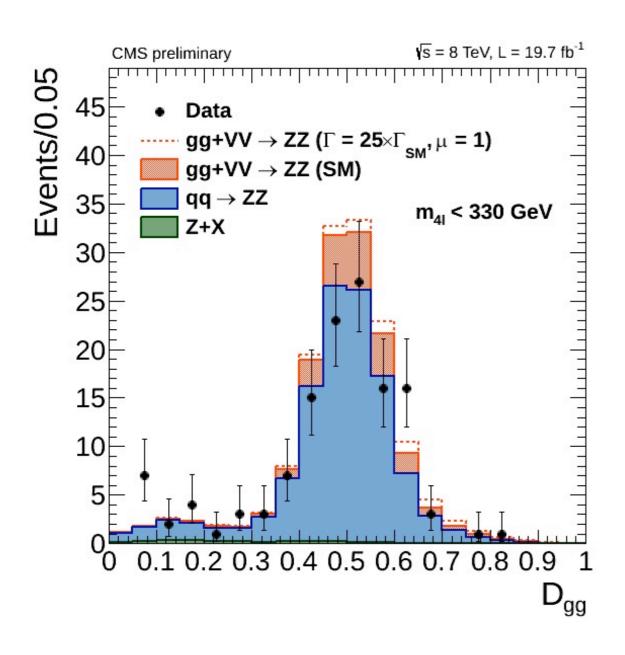
- First experimental constraint on the Higgs boson width from off-shell production has been presented
- Analysis performed in 4l and 2l2v final states
 - 4l analysis uses invariant mass and kinematic discriminant
 - 2l2v analysis relies on transverse mass and missing transverse energy
 - Small deficits in signal regions observed in both channels
- Combined results
 - Γ/Γ_{SM} < 4.2 (8.5 expected) @ 95% CL, equivalent to Γ < 17.4 (35.3 expected) MeV
 - Improve by more than two orders of magnitude over the on-peak measurement
- A good example of interaction between theorists and experimentalists. We welcome new ideas to dig deeper in the data

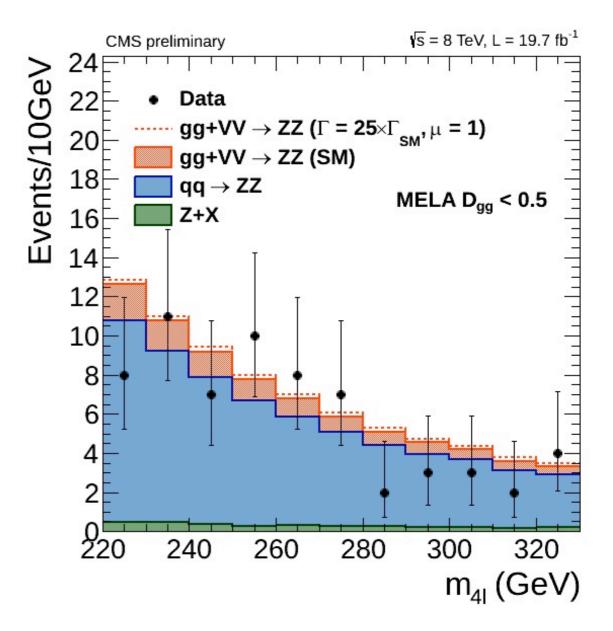


41 mass

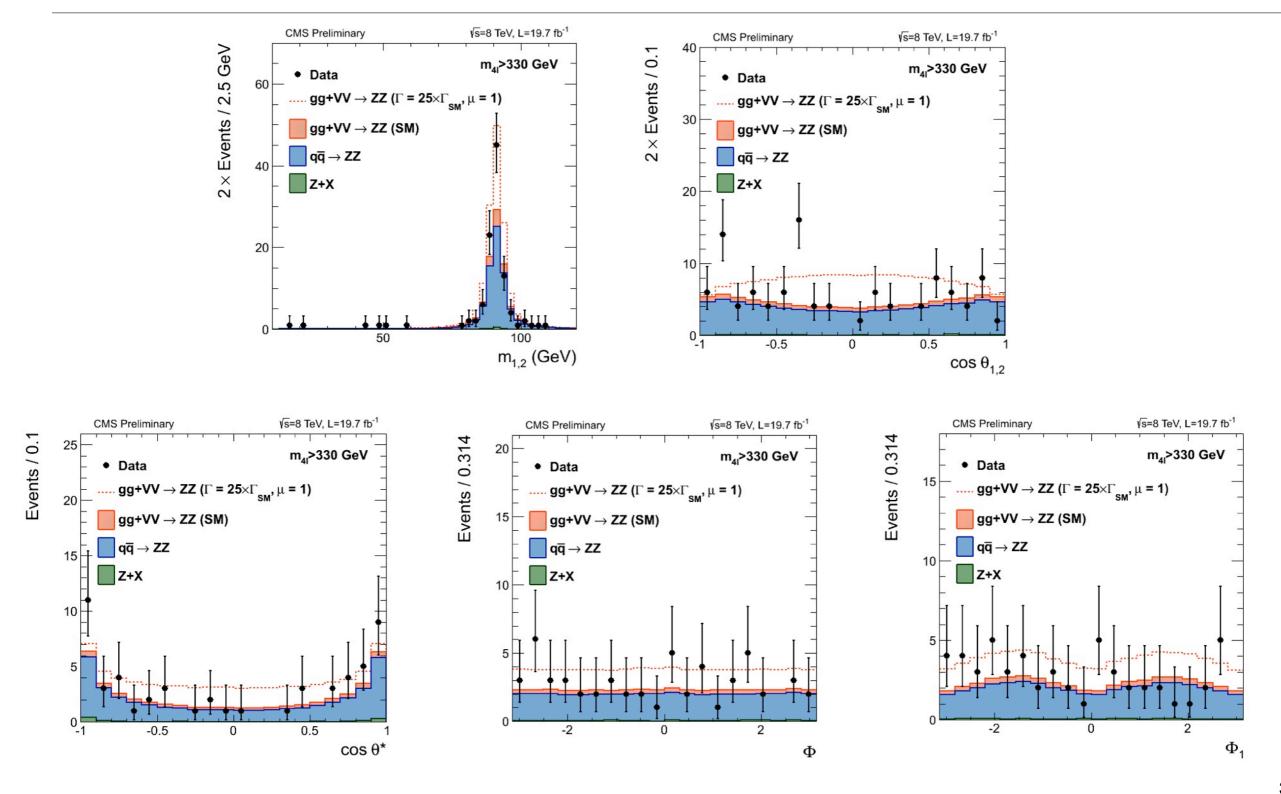


Control regions

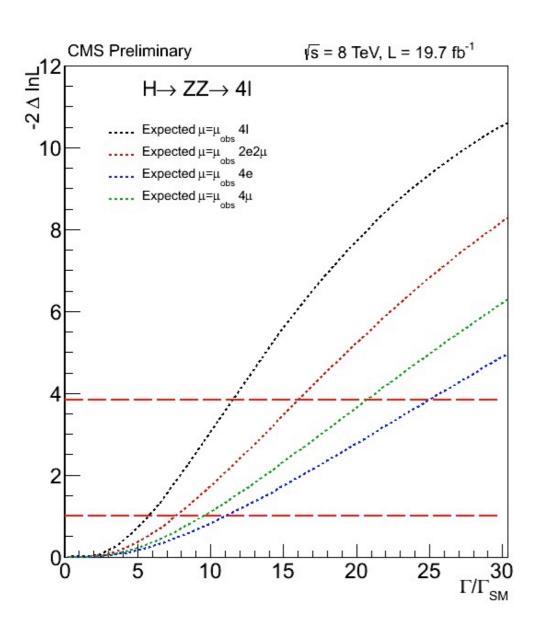


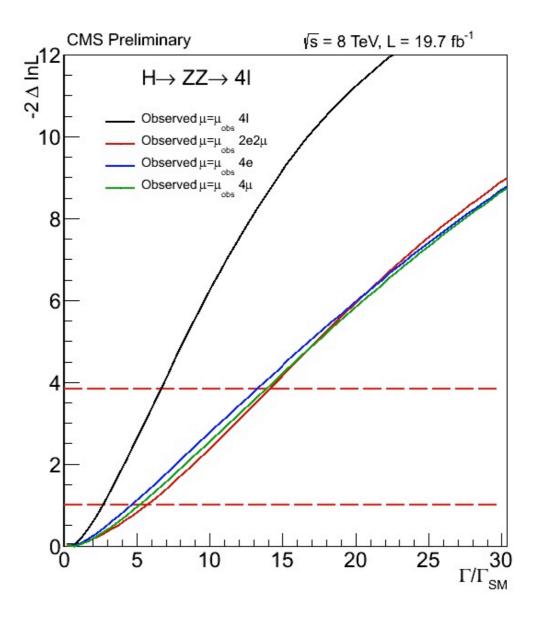


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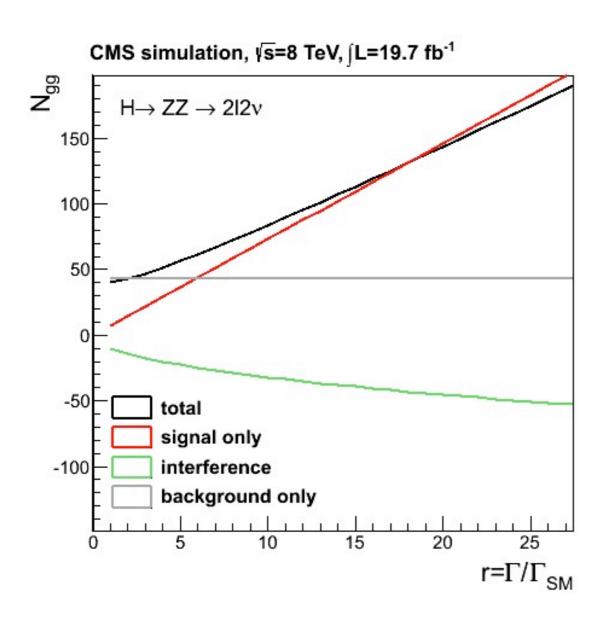


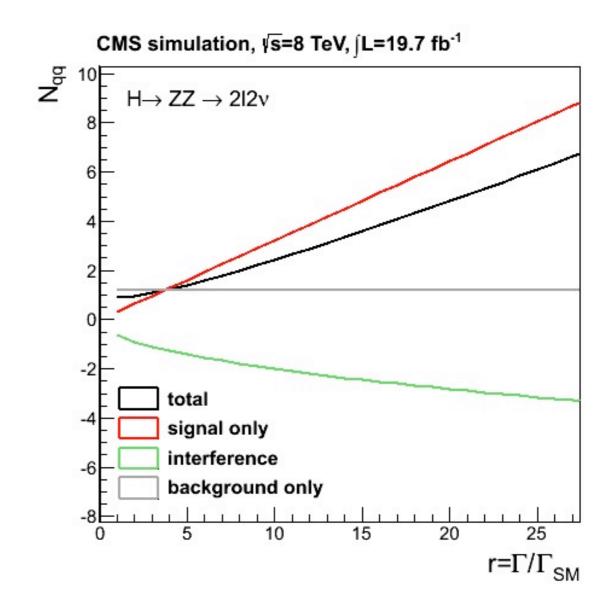
Limits





Yields vs width (loose Missing ET cut)





Event yields

cl	nannel	$qq \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$	$WZ \rightarrow 3\ell\nu$	Top/WW/W	$Z o \ell \ell$	total expected	data
8	=0 jets	66.9 ± 0.8	32.0 ± 0.6	$44 \pm 5 \pm 11$	$8\pm3\pm2$	$150 \pm 6 \pm 11$	160
ee	≥ 1 jets	33.9 ± 0.5	41.2 ± 0.7	$93 \pm 8 \pm 23$	$0.3\pm0.3\pm0.1$	$169 \pm 8 \pm 23$	186
	VBF	0.15 ± 0.04	0.23 ± 0.05	$1.4\pm0.4\pm0.4$	$1.2\pm0.7\pm0.3$	$3.0 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.5$	3
0	=0 jets	83.8 ± 0.8	42.8 ± 0.7	$57 \pm 7 \pm 14$	$7.0 \pm 4.6 \pm 2$	$190 \pm 8 \pm 14$	175
μμ	≥ 1 jets	43.1 ± 0.6	48.2 ± 0.7	$121\pm10\pm30$	$0.9\pm0.8\pm0.2$	$213 \pm 10 \pm 30$	219
3000	VBF	0.22 ± 0.04	0.17 ± 0.04	$1.8 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.5$	$1.5\pm1.1\pm0.4$	$3.7 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.6$	3

C	hannel		$gg \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$	-		$qq \rightarrow qq2\ell2\nu$	
		В	S	SBI	В	S	SBI
-	=0 jets	10.7 ± 0.2	1.69 ± 0.02	10.2 ± 0.2	0.034 ± 0.006	0.013 ± 0.001	0.027 ± 0.002
ee	≥ 1 jets	7.8 ± 0.2	1.58 ± 0.02	7.1 ± 0.2	0.99 ± 0.03	0.138 ± 0.005	0.88 ± 0.01
	VBF	0.18 ± 0.03	0.041 ± 0.003	0.19 ± 0.03	0.18 ± 0.01	0.050 ± 0.003	0.135 ± 0.004
μμ	=0 jets	13.6 ± 0.3	2.07 ± 0.02	12.8 ± 0.3	0.048 ± 0.007	0.017 ± 0.002	0.033 ± 0.002
	≥ 1 jets	10.2 ± 0.2	1.87 ± 0.02	9.4 ± 0.2	1.14 ± 0.03	0.159 ± 0.006	1.01 ± 0.01
	VBF	0.27 ± 0.04	0.058 ± 0.004	0.24 ± 0.04	0.21 ± 0.01	0.058 ± 0.003	0.159 ± 0.004

Systematics

Source	Uncertainty [%]	
Experimental uncertainties		
Luminosity	2.6	
Anti b-tagging	1-3	
Lepton ID+Isolation	2	
Lepton momentum scale	1-2	
Jet energy scale	1	
PU effects, uE_{T}^{miss}	1-3	
Trigger	2	
non-resonant background estimation from data	15+shape	
Z+jets estimation from data	25+shape	
Theory uncertainties	n (1001)	
pdf, gluon-gluon initial state	6-11	
pdf, quark-quark initial state	3.3-7.6	
QCD scale, quark-quark initial state (qqVV)	5.8-8.5+shape	
$gg \rightarrow ZZ$ k-factor uncertainty	10	
Exclusive jet binning for $gg \rightarrow ZZ$	0.3-57	
Underlying event and parton shower	6-30	

Limits per jet bin

