## A Discovery in the Search for the Elusive Higgs Boson at CMS



Andrei Gritsan Johns Hopkins University

for the CMS Collaboration



17 July 2012 LBNL Research Progress Meeting

## Why Search for the Higgs Boson

• we know 12 bosons:  $\gamma$ ,  $Z^0$ ,  $W^+$ ,  $W^-$ , 8 gluons

– carry force, spin= $\hbar$ =1

- in early Universe: all massless, forces unify
- as Universe cools down

- symmetry spontaneously breaks  $|\gamma\rangle = \cos \theta_W |B^0\rangle + \sin \theta_W |W^0\rangle$  light  $|Z^0\rangle = \sin \theta_W |B^0\rangle + \cos \theta_W |W^0\rangle$  heavy

- weak interactions become weak ( $Z^0$ ,  $W^{\pm}$  mass)
- Higgs field in vacuum possible mechanism  $\Rightarrow$  look for its excitation, the Higgs boson
- is vacuum stable  $\Rightarrow$  fate of the Universe?







## Constraints on the SM Higgs Boson

- SM Higgs boson mass  $m_H$  unknown; constraints:
  - indirectly due to  $m_W$ ,  $m_t$  at Tevatron, LEP/SLD  $m_W$  related to  $m_t$  (quadratic) and  $m_H$  (log) from loop corrections
  - directly due to LHC, LEP, Tevatron

open  $115 < m_H < 127~{\rm GeV}$ 



#### The Hunt for the Higgs Boson

• Excite vacuum: gg, VBF,..  $\rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)}$ ,  $WW^{(*)}$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $\tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $b\bar{b}$ ,..



## The Challenge is Background

• At LHC might have produced > 100000 Higgs bosons / experiment



• The challenge is to distinguish signal from backgrounds, examples:



## CMS on Track for Discovery

- In December 2011 excluded SM Higgs  $127 < m_H < 600 \text{ GeV}$ tantalizing hint  $m_H \sim 125 \text{ GeV}$
- In July 2012 expect for SM Higgs up to  $6\sigma$  observation  $H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)}, \gamma\gamma, WW^{(*)}, b\bar{b}, \tau\tau$



#### Thanks to excellent LHC performance



Excellent performance of the LHC



#### The CMS Detector



#### The Silicon Pixel Detector



## The Silicon Strip Detector

15 148 digital strip (2D) "cameras" 10 million channels area the size of a tennis court Alignment analysis: software

#### Electromagnetic Calorimeter



## Hadronic Calorimeter and Muon System



400 Muon chambers in iron "return yoke," 2 million wires



#### Global Event Description: Particle Flow

- Leptons:  $\ell^{\pm}$  in Si Tracker:  $e^{\pm}$  (EM Calorimeter),  $\mu^{\pm}$  (Muon System)
- Photons:  $\gamma$  (EM Calorimeter)
- Charged and neutral hadrons thru Hadronic Calorimer
- Build jets,  $\tau$ , MET; use in isolation and pileup correction



## Electron/Photon reconstruction



- Cluster reconstruction in ECAL
  - Common for both electrons and photons (Electrons also reconstructed as photons)
  - Designed to collect bremsstrahlung and conversions in extended phi region
- Dedicated track reconstruction for electrons
  - Gaussian Sum Filter allows for tracks w/large bremsstrahlung
- Photon identification specific to H→YY

# Photon Energy Scale and Resolution

- ECAL cluster energies corrected using a MC trained multivariate regression
  - Improves resolution and restores flat response of energy scale versus pileup
    - Inputs: Raw cluster energies and positions, lateral and longitudinal shower shape variables, local shower positions w.r.t. crystal geometry, pileup estimators
- Regression also used to provide a per photon energy resolution estimate
- To measure the Energy Scale and resolution: use Z−>e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>



## Electron identification

- Multivariate e identification in 2012
  - -ECAL, tracker, ECAL-tracker-HCAL matching, impact parameter
  - -30% efficiency improvement in H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4e wrt cut based ID
- Multivariate training against background in data



## Muon reconstruction and identification

- Start with particle flow muons
- Efficiency above 96% down to  $p_T = 5 \text{ GeV}$ –Above 99% efficiency for  $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$



-Efficiency in data using J/ $\Psi$  and Z peak

18

# Final State Radiation recovery Z->II



 $H \to Z^{(*)} Z^{(*)}$ 

CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN Data recorded: 2012-May-27 23:35:47.271030 GMT Run/Event: 195099 / 137440354

ĵ

CMS Experiment at the LF Fri 2010–Sep–24 02:2 Run 146511 Event S C.O.M. Energ



 $H \to Z^{(*)} Z^{(*)} \to 4\ell$ 

- Significant improvements since 2011, apply to both 7 and 8 TeV data
  - electron identification and isolation
  - muon identification and isolation
  - FSR recovery
  - full kinematics (MELA)

expected signif.  $\sim 2.7\sigma \rightarrow 3.8\sigma$ 

- 2D statistical analysis ( $m_{4\ell}$  + kinematics)



## Kinematics in $H \to Z^{(*)} Z^{(*)}$



## Kinematics in $H \to Z^{(*)}Z^{(*)}$



## Matrix Element Likelihood Analysis (MELA)







## MELA Probability Distributions

•  $\mathcal{P}_{bkg} \propto \mathsf{POWHEG}$  template ( $m_{4\ell} < 180$  GeV): dominant  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z\gamma^*$  $\propto$  JHEP11(2011)027 ( $m_{4\ell} > 180$  GeV): dominant  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$ •  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathrm{sig}} \propto$  PRD81,075022(2010)  $F_{00}^{J}(\theta^{*}) \times \left\{ 4 f_{00} \sin^{2} \theta_{1} \sin^{2} \theta_{2} + (f_{++} + f_{--}) \left( (1 + \cos^{2} \theta_{1})(1 + \cos^{2} \theta_{2}) + 4R_{1}R_{2} \cos \theta_{1} \cos \theta_{2} \right) \right\}$  $-2(f_{++} - f_{--})(R_1 \cos \theta_1 (1 + \cos^2 \theta_2) + R_2 (1 + \cos^2 \theta_1) \cos \theta_2)$  $+4\sqrt{f_{++}f_{00}}\left(R_1-\cos\theta_1\right)\sin\theta_1\left(R_2-\cos\theta_2\right)\sin\theta_2\cos(\Phi+\phi_{++})$  $+4\sqrt{f_{--}f_{00}}\left(R_1+\cos\theta_1\right)\sin\theta_1\left(R_2+\cos\theta_2\right)\sin\theta_2\cos(\Phi-\phi_{--})$  $+2\sqrt{f_{++}f_{--}}\sin^2\theta_1\sin^2\theta_2\cos(2\Phi+\phi_{++}-\phi_{--})\}$  $spin = 0 \& \ge 2$  $+4F_{11}^{J}(\theta^{*}) \times \left\{ (f_{+0} + f_{0-})(1 - \cos^{2}\theta_{1}\cos^{2}\theta_{2}) - (f_{+0} - f_{0-})(R_{1}\cos\theta_{1}\sin^{2}\theta_{2} + R_{2}\sin^{2}\theta_{1}\cos\theta_{2}) \right\}$  $+2\sqrt{f_{+0}f_{0-}}\sin\theta_1\sin\theta_2(R_1R_2-\cos\theta_1\cos\theta_2)\cos(\Phi+\phi_{+0}-\phi_{0-})\Big\}$  $+4F_{-11}^{J}(\theta^{*}) \times (-1)^{J} \times \left\{ (f_{+0} + f_{0-})(R_{1}R_{2} + \cos\theta_{1}\cos\theta_{2}) - (f_{+0} - f_{0-})(R_{1}\cos\theta_{2} + R_{2}\cos\theta_{1}) \right\}$  $+2\sqrt{f_{+0}f_{0-}}\sin\theta_1\sin\theta_2\cos(\Phi+\phi_{+0}-\phi_{0-})\right\}\sin\theta_1\sin\theta_2\cos(2\Psi)\qquad \text{spin}=1 \& \ge 2$  $+2F_{22}^{J}(\theta^{*})\times f_{+-}\left\{(1+\cos^{2}\theta_{1})(1+\cos^{2}\theta_{2})-4R_{1}R_{2}\cos\theta_{1}\cos\theta_{2}\right\}$  $+2F_{-22}^{J}(\theta^{*})\times(-1)^{J}\times f_{+-}\sin^{2}\theta_{1}\sin^{2}\theta_{2}\cos(4\Psi)$ spin  $\geq 2$  unique  $+ \dots$  interference terms

## 2D analysis MELA vs $m_{4\ell}$



- Model with full simulation
  - include interference
  - powerful sig.-bkg. separation
  - little model-dependence



# Analysis performed "blind"



## Background models

- Irreducible background ZZ  $\rightarrow$  4I
  - Estimated using simulation
  - Phenomenological shape models
  - Corrected for data/simulation scale
- Reducible backgrounds estimated



Extrapolation from control samples enriched with misidentified leptons





# Results: m(4l) spectrum



# Results: MELA 2D plots

Perform 2D fit –MELA discriminant versus m<sub>41</sub>

 Data points shown with per-event mass uncertainties



#### Data w.r.t. background expectation

# Results: MELA 2D plots

Perform 2D fit –MELA discriminant versus m<sub>41</sub>

 Data points shown with per-event mass uncertainties



#### Data w.r.t 126 GeV Higgs Expectation

# Results: MELA 2D plots: high mass

- Perform 2D fit
- –MELA discriminant versus m<sub>41</sub>
  - Data points shown with per-event mass uncertainties



## Low mass region with MELA cut

- Enrich the signal MELA > 0.5
- Cut value chosen such that



# Two-lepton invariant mass plots

121< m4l <131 GeV CMS Preliminary  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}, L = 5.05 \text{ fb}^{-1}; \sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}, L = 5.26 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ Events / 4 GeV CMS Preliminary  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}, L = 5.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  Data 6 \s = 8 TeV, L = 5.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> [GeV] m<sub>Z2</sub> [GeV] Z+X 50 Zγ<sup>^</sup>,ZZ 5 m<sub>µ</sub>=126 GeV σ 4e Δ **-** 4μ 40 3 2e2µ 2 80 30 0<sup>[\_\_</sup> 40 50 60 70 80 90 110 120 100 60 m<sub>Z1</sub> [GeV] 20 CMS Preliminary  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV, L = 5.05 fb<sup>-1</sup>;  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV, L = 5.26 fb<sup>-1</sup> 5 Events / 4 GeV Data 4.5⊢ 40 Z+X **4**E Zγ<sup>\*</sup>,ZZ 10 3.5₽ m<sub>H</sub>=126 GeV ЗF 20 2.5 0 2F 80 120 50 60 90 100 110 40 70 1.5 m<sub>71</sub> [GeV] 1L 0.5 0 30 60 70 80 20 40 50 Grey – is simulation (expectation) for Higgs (126 GeV) m<sub>Z2</sub> [GeV]
## Limits and p-values



Expected exclusion at 95% CL : 121-550 GeV Observed exclusion at 95% CL : 131-162 GeV and 172-530 GeV

Expected significance at 125.5 GeV : 3.8 σ Observed significance at 125.5 GeV: 3.2 σ

## Observed local excess of events



 $H \to \gamma \gamma$ 



CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN Data recorded: 2012-May-13 20:08:14.621490 GMT Run/Event: 194108 / 564224000

## Search for a di-photon mass peak



- Blind analysis in 2012
- Re-reco 2011 data into unchanged 2011 analysis
- Background MC only used for analysis optimization,
- Z->ee also to measure photon efficiencies and resolution with data

- Interaction vertex is identified using tracks from recoiling jets and underlying event plus conversions
- correct in ~83% of cases for pileup in 2011 sample.
- correct in ~80% of cases for pileup in 2012 sample.
- Vertex identification with a BDT
- Input variables:  $\Sigma p_t^2$ ,  $\Sigma p_t$  projected onto the  $\gamma\gamma$  transverse direction,  $p_t$  asymmetry and conversions

# Diphoton Multivariate Analysis

- Diphoton MVA trained on signal and background MC with input variables largely independent of  $m_{_{\!Y\!Y}}$ 
  - Kinematics:  $\textbf{p}_{\tau}$  and  $\eta$  of each photon, and  $cos\Delta \phi$  between the 2 photons
  - Photon ID MVA output for each photon
  - per-event mass resolution and vertex probability
- Encode all relevant information on signal vs bkg. discrimination (aside from  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  itself) into a single di-photon MVA output to first order independent of  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ )



# Di-jet tagging



43

# Category Performance

Expected signal and estimated background									
Event classes		SM Higgs boson expected signal ( $m_{\rm H}$ =125 GeV)							Background
							$\sigma_{ m eff}$	FWHM/2.35	$m_{\gamma\gamma} = 125 \mathrm{GeV}$
		Total	ggH	VBF	VH	ttH	(GeV)	(GeV)	(ev./GeV)
$7 \text{ TeV } 5.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	Untagged 0	3.2	61%	17%	19%	3%	1.21	1.14	$3.3 \pm 0.4$
	Untagged 1	16.3	88%	6%	6%	1%	1.26	1.08	$37.5 \pm 1.3$
	Untagged 2	21.5	91%	4%	4%	_	1.59	1.32	$74.8 \pm 1.9 $
	Untagged 3	32.8	91%	4%	4%	_	2.47	2.07	$193.6 \pm 3.0$
	Dijet tag	2.9	27%	73%	1%	_	1.73	1.37	$1.7 \pm 0.2$
8 TeV 5.3 fb <sup>-1</sup>	Untagged 0	6.1	68%	12%	16%	4%	1.38	1.23	$7.4 \pm 0.6$
	Untagged 1	21.0	88%	6%	6%	1%	1.53	1.31	54.7 $\pm 1.5$
	Untagged 2	30.2	92%	4%	3%	_	1.94	1.55	$115.2 \pm 2.3$
	Untagged 3	40.0	92%	4%	4%	_	2.86	2.35	$256.5 \pm 3.4$
	Dijet tight	2.6	23%	77%	_	_	2.06	1.57	$1.3 \pm 0.2$
	Dijet loose	3.0	53%	45%	2%	_	1.95	1.48	$3.7 \pm 0.4$

# 7 TeV Mass Distribution in Categories

🔶 Data

±1σ

±2 σ

0.74 <= BDT < 0.89

Untagged 1

160

- → Data

±1σ

±2 σ

BDT >= 0.05 Di-jet Tag

Dijet tag

160

m<sub>γγ</sub> (GeV)

S+B Fit

----- Bkg Fit Component

m<sub>γγ</sub> (GeV)

180

180

120

120

140

140

S+B Fit

Bkg Fit Component





- Background model is entirely from data.
- Fit to mass distribution in each category with polynomial functions (3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> degree)
  - keep bias below 20% of fit error. —
  - causes some loss of performance due to number of parameters in fit function.

# 8 TeV Mass Distribution in Categories



## Fit Results in Categories



# S/B Weighted Mass Distribution

Sum of mass distributions for each event class, weighted by S/B

 B is integral of background model over a constant signal fraction interval



# 95% CL Exclusion for SM Higgs



- Expected 95% CL exclusion 0.76 times SM at 125 GeV
- Large range with expected excusion below  $\sigma_{SM}$

## **P-Values**



• Minimum local p-value at 125 GeV with significance of  $4.1 \sigma$ 

## Two channels ZZ and 2gamma combined



## ATLAS has it too: talk by lan Hinchliffe



Andrei Gritsan, JHU

"All the News That's Fit to Print" The New York Eimes

#### Late Edition

Today, sunny to partly cloudy, rather hot, high 92. Tonight, mustly clear, low 72. Tomorrow, mostly sunny, hot and humid, high 90. Weather map appears on Page B16.

VOL CLXI., No. 55,823

\$2012 The New York Times

NEW YORK, THURSDAY, JULY 5, 2012

\$2.50

### Oil Backed Up, Iranians Put It On Idled Ships

#### Subterfuge at Tankers as Embargo Tightens

#### By THOMAS ERDBRINK and CLIFFORD KRAUSS

BANDAR ABBAS, Iran — The hulking tanker Neptune was floating aimlessly this woek in the warm waters of the Persian Gulf, a fresh coat of black paint barely concealing its true identity as an Iranian ship loaded with hundreds of thousands of barrels of oil that no one is willing to buy.

The ship's real name was Iran Astaneh, and it was part of a fleet of about 65 Iranian tankers serving as floating storage facilities for Iranian oil, each ope given a nautical makeover to conceal its origin and make a boyer easier to find. The Neptune had been floating there for a month, and local fishermen said there were two even larger tankers anchored nearby.

Iran, faced with increasingly stringent economic sanctions imposed by the international community to force it to abandon any ambitions to develop nuclear weapoos, has been reluctant to reduce its oil production, fearing that doing so could damage its wells. But Iran has insufficient space to store the crude it cannot still. So while it fariously works to build storage capacity on shore, it has turned to mothiballing at sex.

"We have never seen so many net waiting around," said Ros-

### ROMNEY NOW SAYS HEALTH MANDATE BY OBAMA IS A TAX

#### SHIFT RENEWS CRITICISM

Move Aligns Him With Conservative Voices Within His Party

#### By JEREMY W. PETERS

WOLFEBORO, N.H. — Mitt Romney declared on Wednesday that President Obama's health care mandate was in fact a tax, shifting his campaign's characterization of the law and aligning himself with the conservative voices in his party.

Mr. Romney's remarks, made in a hastily arranged interview with CB5 News on a national holiday, prompted renewed criticisms that he was willing to adjust his views for political expediency. Two days earlier, his chief spokesman and senior strategist had said that Mr. Romney did not believe the mandate should be called a tax.

Mr. Rommey was already in the uncomfortable position of standing at odds with the dominant Republican Party message on health care: that President Obama was imposing a burdensome new tax on the middle class by requiring health insurance. His latest statement, while carrying the short-term risk of allowing his opponent to brand him a flipformer, helps him him a

### Physicists Find Elusive Particle Seen as Key to Universe



Scientists in Geneva on Wednesday applauded the discovery of a subatomic particle that looks like the Higgs boson.

### Date Night at the Zoo, if Rare Species Play Along

#### By LESLIE KAUFMAN

FRONT ROYAL, Va. - After cautiously sniffing the grass, three male cheetahs at the animal-breeding center here suddenly began running in frenzied circles. It was a sign that a female cheetah that normally lives in the yard was in heat.

Then one of the males let out a

#### THE ANIMAL LIFEBOAT

Barriers to Breeding

fore they mate. It turns out that familiarity can be a turnoff for cheetahs, too.

Finally, it was time to bring in the female. She seemed mystified by the male cheetah's eagerness and failed to assume a mating pohing but.

Eighty-three percent of those species in North American zoos are not meeting the targets set for multitaining their genetic diversity, the Association of Zoos and Aquariums reports. In the case of cheetahs, fewer than 20 percent of those in North American zoos have been able to reproduce.

Zoos must figure out how to

#### 'I Think We Have It' Is Cheer of Day at Home of Search

#### By DENNIS OF ERBYE

ASPEN, Colo. - Signaling a likely end to one of the longest, most expensive searches in the history of science, physiciats said Wednesday that they and discovered a new subatomic particle.

HOOL PHEND BY DEDUC RALAKEEN

## **CMS Collaboration Party**



## Seminar at CERN on July 4, 2012



# $H \to WW^{(*)}$

Higgs  $\rightarrow WW^{(*)} \rightarrow (\ell_1^- \bar{\nu})(\ell_2^+ \nu)$ 



• Partial reconstruction  $|m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z| > 15 \text{ GeV}$ projected ( $\perp \ell$ ) MET >40 GeV ( $\ell \ell$ ) >20 GeV ( $e \mu$ )

- Require 0, 1, and 2 (VBF) jets
- Reject top: soft  $\mu$  and b-tag veto

**130 GeV**:  $m_{\ell\ell}$  < 45 GeV



$$\Delta \phi_{\ell\ell} < \pi/2$$



Higgs 
$$\rightarrow WW^{(*)} \rightarrow (\ell^- \bar{\nu})(\ell^+ \nu)$$

- 7 TeV data analysis unchanged (BDT, shape)
- 8 TeV data analysis cut based



 $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ 

# Analysis Strategy

Associated Production => final states with leptons, MET and b-jets





Reducible Backgrounds: QCD, top, W/Z+ light jets

Less reducible: V+bb, ZZ(bb), WZ(bb) Boosted vector bosons: p<sub>T</sub>(V) -> 2 ranges 2 b-tagged jets (H->bb) Back-to-back V and H, reconstruct m<sub>bb</sub>

Main backgrounds estimated from data in control regions (scales)



60

### **Examples of final MVA** distributions

## H->bb



 $H \to \tau^+ \tau^-$ 

# Mass Distributions in Event



## Constrains energy scales and efficiencie

- Large Drell-Yan background
- Sensitivity boosted by low/high p<sub>T</sub> split

### 4x5 channels



### Boosted

- Enhanced sensitivity to gluon fusion
  - Improved mass resolution
  - Sensitivity boosted by low/high p<sub>T</sub> split



- Enhanced sensitivity to VBF production
  - Highest sensitivity for m<sub>H</sub> < 130 GeV</li>

## Results for $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$



- ~2x improvement in sensitivity
  - => 70% improvement in sensitivity on the same data
  - 40% improvement with the additional luminosity
- No significant departure from SM background-only expectation
  - Observed limit of 1.06 x SM at m<sub>H</sub> = 125 GeV (expected 1.28)

## SM Higgs: High Mass

• Extensive effort across the full mass range:

 $H \to ZZ \to 4\ell, \ 2\ell 2\tau, \ 2\ell 2q, \ 2\ell 2\nu$  $H \to WW \to 2\ell 2\nu, \ 2q\ell \nu$ 

• Recent updates:



## SM Higgs Exclusion

- Excluded SM Higgs in the full search range
  - except for a narrow range around 125 GeV



## Characterization of the excess



The observed state has mass near  $125.3 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.5$  GeV

Overall best-fit signal strength in the combination:  $\sigma/\sigma_{SM} = 0.80\pm0.22$ 



# Fit Boson and Fermion couplings



68

### Measuring Tensor Structure of Interactions

• Amplitude for  $X_{J=0} \rightarrow ZZ$  or WW (see RPM May 6, 2010) http://www-physics.lbl.gov/seminars/old/Gritsan2010.pdf

$$A = v^{-1} \epsilon_1^{*\mu} \epsilon_2^{*\nu} \left( a_1 g_{\mu\nu} M_X^2 + a_2 q_\mu q_\nu + a_3 \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q_1^\alpha q_2^\beta \right)$$



3 amplitudes ("experiment") ⇔ 3 coupling constants ("theory")

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_{00} &= -\frac{M_X^2}{v} \left( a_1 \mathbf{x} + a_2 \frac{M_{V_1} M_{V_2}}{M_X^2} (\mathbf{x}^2 - 1) \right) \\ \mathbf{A}_{\pm\pm} &= +\frac{M_X^2}{v} \left( a_1 \pm i a_3 \frac{M_{V_1} M_{V_2}}{M_X^2} \sqrt{\mathbf{x}^2 - 1} \right) \end{aligned} \qquad \mathbf{x} = \frac{M_X^2 - M_{V_1}^2 - M_{V_2}^2}{2M_{V_1} M_{V_2}} \end{aligned}$$

## Angular / Mass Distributions

### • JHU generator: http://www.pha.jhu.edu/spin $(H \rightarrow ZZ, WW, \gamma\gamma)$

See also ICHEP talk "Determination of properties of a Higgs-like resonance at LHC"

https://indico.cern.ch/getFile.py/access?contribId = 473 & sessionId = 53 & resId = 0 & materiaIId = slides & confId = 181298 & resId = 0 & materiaIId = slides & confId = 181298 & resId = 0 & materiaIId = slides & resId = 0 & resId



Andrei Gritsan, JHU

## MELA for Spin / Parity

psMELA = 
$$\left[ 1 + \frac{\mathcal{P}_{0^{-}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4\ell})}{\mathcal{P}_{0^{+}}(m_1, m_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi, \theta^*, \Phi_1 | m_{4\ell})} \right]^{-1}$$

- Hypothesis testing
  - scalar  $(0^+)$  vs pseudoscalar  $(0^-)$
  - may include any other model
- Simulation (http://www.pha.jhu.edu/spin)
  - expected separation  $1.6\sigma$  now
  - $3.1\sigma$  with 5+30  ${\rm fb^{-1}}$





## **Observation** of a New Boson

• Observation of a New Boson on CMS:  $5\sigma$  excess



• What we know:

- it is a boson, spin $\neq 1 \Rightarrow$  spin = 0 or 2... (nothing like this before)
- it couples to vector bosons
- What we do not know:
  - if it is the Higgs boson, if couples to Fermions (matter)
  - expect it to be elementary, if not  $\Rightarrow$  even more interesting...
  - if it is a tip of an iceberg of new exciting states of matter / energy
## CMS collaboration

