VBF update on cross section at 13.6 TeV

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13.6 TeV update - inclusive

- NLO EW corrections ready. Provided by Alexander Mück
 - using *Hawk* [Denner, Dittmaier, Kallweit, Lang, Mück]
- N3LO QCD corrections ready. Provided by Alexander Karlberg
 - using proVBFH [Cacciari, Dreyer, Karlberg, Salam, Zanderighi]
 - bug to be **fixed** (at least below per mille).
- Combination for inclusive prediction **done** following Yellow report 4.

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- <u>Add-on:</u> Inclusion of non-factorisable corrections based on [Asteriadis, Brønnum-Hansen, Melnikov; 2305.08016].
 - First results **received** (today). **Request** on scan possibility.

Follow up, systematic study at differential level

Big boost in Les Houches last month!

- 1. Provide state-of-the-art predictions at the differential level at fixed order
 - NNLO QCD + NLO EW
 - double/triple differential and STXS binning
 - physical understanding of various approximations (kill several birds with one stone)
 - size of irreducible background
 - non-factorisable corrections
- 2. First step toward systematic estimate of PS uncertainty in VBF
 - same set-up as for fixed order
 - use Powheg/Sherpa with different parton showers
 - uncertainty in non-perturbative part, in particular UE, hadronisation, MPI etc.

Team:

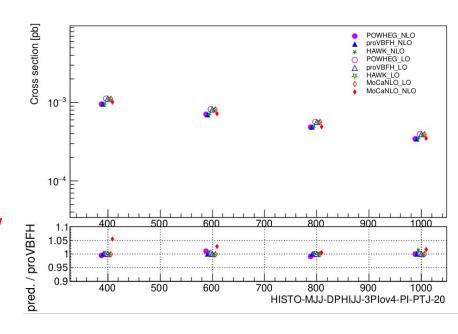
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<u>Codes:</u> Hawk, proVBFH, MoCaNLO, Powheg, Sherpa, Pythia, Herwig, MG_aMC@NLO

Follow up, systematic study at differential level (Fixed order)

- Tuned comparison of various fixed-order codes (with different approximations)
 - data produced at LO and NLO QCD
 - Fine for fiducial set-up -> Input OK.
 investigating for STXS set-up

- 2. Interpretation of physical result
 - provided refined estimate of uncertainties (EW corrections, VBF approximation, ...)
 - understand differences and make recommendations



Follow up, systematic study at differential level (PS)

- 1. Comparison of different parton shower
 - alline with set-up of fixed-order study
 - agreement on what combinations to run
 - comparison with different parton shower (different physics)

| 1. | VBF_H in POWHEG-BOX-V2, showered with | [powheg event generation by Silvia Ferrario] | |
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| | 1.1 PYTHIA8, dipole shower 1.2 PYTHIA8, vincia shower | [shower by Christian Preuss] [shower by Christian Preuss] | |
| | 1.1 HERWIG7, angular-ordered shower 1.1 HERWIG7, dipole shower | [shower by Silvia Ferrario] [shower by Silvia Ferrario] | [~~~~~~] |
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| 2. | EW HJJ in POWHEG-BOX-RES, showered with | [powheg event generation by Silvia Ferrario] | |
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| | 2.1 HERWIG7, angular-ordered shower | [shower by Silvia Ferrario] | |
| | 2.1 HERWIG7, dipole shower | [shower by Silvia Ferrario] | [~~~~~] |
| 3. | VBF_H in MG5, showered with HERWIG7 AO, | [Marco Zaro] | |
| 4. | Standalone Herwig7 VBFH runs, with VBFNLO matrix elements 4.1 POWHEC + angular-ordered shower 4.2 POWHEC + dipole shower 4.3 MCQNLO + angular-ordered shower 4.3 MCQNLO + dipole shower | [input cards by Silvia Ferrario, runs by Yacine Haddad] | [~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~] [~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~] |
| 5. | Standalone Herwig7 EW HJJ runs, with HJETS matrix elements 5.1 POWHEG + angular-ordered shower 5.2 POWHEG + dipole shower 5.3 MC@NLO + angular-ordered shower 5.4 MC@NLO + dipole shower | [input cards by Silvia Ferrario, runs by Yacine Haddad] | [~~~~~~~~~~~~] [~~~~~~~~~~] |
| 6. | Standalone Sherpa VBFH runs with MC@NLO matching and: 6.1 default shower 6.2 dire shower | | [~~~~] |
| 7. | Standalone Sherpa HJJ EW runs with MC@NLO matching and: 7.1 default shower 7.2 dire shower | | [~~~~~~~~] |

Follow up, systematic study at differential level (PS II)

- 2. Make some statements about parton shower uncertainty
 - -> following recommendations of [Buckley et al.; 2105.11399]
- 3. Study of non-perturbative physics in PS

Could wrong PS recoil have biased tunes?

-> Meeting in 10 days to keep momentum

Write up an article and published it timeline: a couple of months if nothing unexpected happen (for now, not the case)