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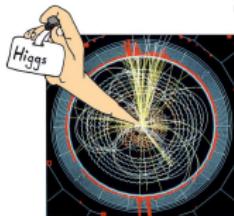
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# Higgs properties

Verify nature of observed resonance  $\leftrightarrow$  "Higgs" properties

- spin-0 particle
- CP-nature
- couplings



SM prediction fixed by already known quantities

- unitarity in  $W_L W_L \rightarrow W_L W_L$  scattering  
 $\longrightarrow$  fixed coupling  $g_{WWH} \propto m_W$
- fermion masses  
 $\longrightarrow g_{\tilde{f}\tilde{f}H} \propto m_f$
- Higgs self-couplings  
determine shape of Higgs potential via trilinear and quartic couplings

$$\text{SM: } V = \mu^2 |\Phi|^2 + \lambda |\Phi|^4 + \text{const.}$$

$$\text{new scale } \Lambda: V = \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{\lambda^n}{\Lambda^{2n}} \left( |\Phi|^2 + \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^{2+n}$$

$\longrightarrow$  very challenging for LHC

[Plehn et al.; Baur et al.; MR et al.; Binoth et al.; ...]

# Generalized Higgs sector

How well can we determine the SM Higgs couplings?  
Can we distinguish a non-Standard-Model-like Higgs sector?

- Theory: Standard Model plus general Higgs sector
- For Higgs couplings present in the Standard Model  $j = W, Z, t, b, \tau$  replace general couplings by

$$g_{jjH} \longrightarrow g_{jjH}^{\text{SM}} (1 + \Delta_{jjH}) \quad (\rightarrow \Delta = -2 \text{ means sign flip})$$

- For loop-induced Higgs couplings  $j = \gamma, g$  replace by

$$g_{jjH} \longrightarrow g_{jjH}^{\text{SM}} \left( 1 + \Delta_{jjH}^{\text{SM}} + \Delta_{jjH} \right)$$

where  $g_{jjH}^{\text{SM}}$ : (loop-induced) coupling in the Standard Model

$\Delta_{jjH}^{\text{SM}}$ : contribution from modified tree-level couplings  
to Standard-Model particles

$\Delta_{jjH}$ : additional (dimension-five) contribution

- Additional free parameters:
  - Higgs boson mass  $m_H$
  - top- and bottom-quark mass  $m_t, m_b$
- Neglecting couplings only available from high-luminosity analyses  
( $g_{H\mu\mu}$ ,  $g_{HZ\gamma}^{\text{eff}}$ ,  $g_{HHH}$ ,  $g_{HHHH}$ )



- Need to scan high-dimensional parameter space
- ⇒ SFitter
- General Higgs couplings from modified version of HDecay [Lafaye, Plehn, MR, Zerwas]
- Three scanning techniques:
  - Weighted Markov Chain
  - Cooling Markov Chain (equivalent to simulated annealing)
  - Gradient Minimisation (Minuit)
- Output of SFitter:
  - Fully-dimensional log-likelihood map
  - Reduction to plotable one- or two-dimensional distributions via both
    - Bayesian (marginalisation) or
    - Frequentist (profile likelihood) techniques
  - List of best points
- Already successfully used for SUSY parameter extraction study [EPJC 54(2008) [arXiv:0709.3985]]

# Higgs at the LHC

[Zeppenfeld, Kinnunen, Nikitenko, Richter-Was; Dührssen et al.]

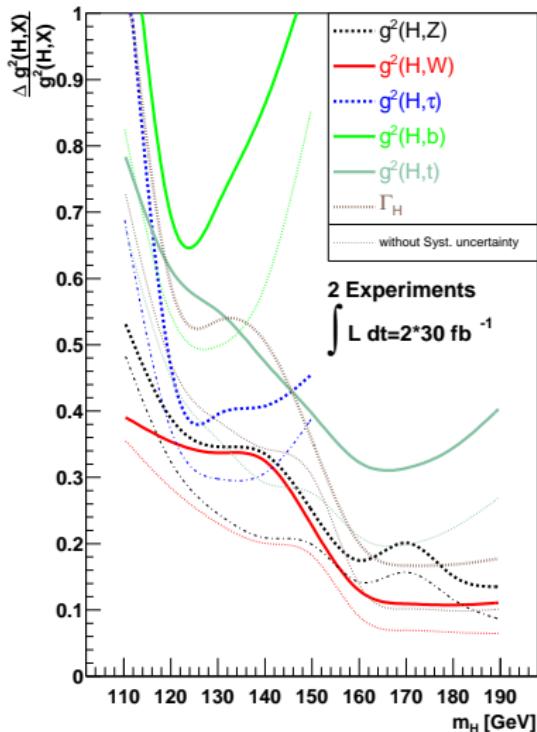
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WH/ZH

$bb$  (subjet)

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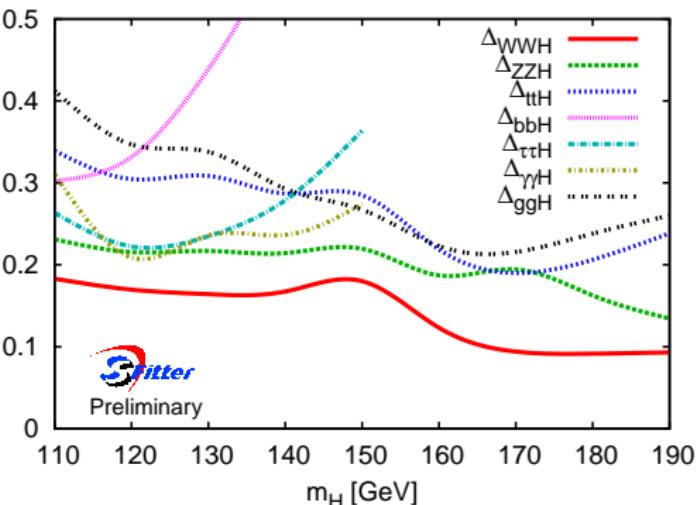
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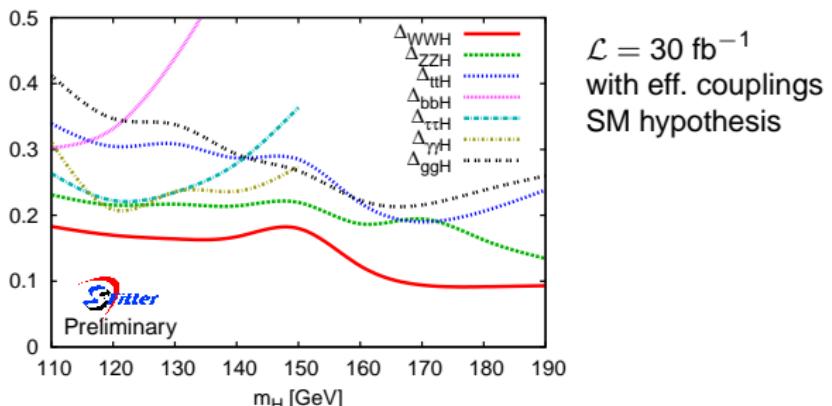
# Error analysis

Errors obtained by 10,000 toy experiments:

SM hypothesis,  $m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 14 TeV

Fit with Gaussian of the central part within one standard deviation

	no eff. couplings			with eff. couplings			ratio $\Delta_{jjH}/WWH$		
	$\sigma_{\text{symm}}$	$\sigma_{\text{neg}}$	$\sigma_{\text{pos}}$	$\sigma_{\text{symm}}$	$\sigma_{\text{neg}}$	$\sigma_{\text{pos}}$	$\sigma_{\text{symm}}$	$\sigma_{\text{neg}}$	$\sigma_{\text{pos}}$
$\Delta_{WWH}$	$\pm 0.23$	$-0.21 + 0.26$		$\pm 0.24$	$-0.21 + 0.27$		—	—	—
$\Delta_{ZZH}$	$\pm 0.36$	$-0.40 + 0.35$		$\pm 0.31$	$-0.35 + 0.29$		$\pm 0.41$	$-0.40 + 0.41$	
$\Delta_{ttH}$	$\pm 0.41$	$-0.37 + 0.45$		$\pm 0.53$	$-0.65 + 0.43$		$\pm 0.51$	$-0.54 + 0.48$	
$\Delta_{bbH}$	$\pm 0.45$	$-0.33 + 0.56$		$\pm 0.44$	$-0.30 + 0.59$		$\pm 0.31$	$-0.24 + 0.38$	
$\Delta_{\tau\tau H}$	$\pm 0.33$	$-0.21 + 0.46$		$\pm 0.31$	$-0.19 + 0.46$		$\pm 0.28$	$-0.16 + 0.40$	
$\Delta_{\gamma\gamma H}$	—	—	—	$\pm 0.31$	$-0.30 + 0.33$		$\pm 0.30$	$-0.27 + 0.33$	
$\Delta_{ggH}$	—	—	—	$\pm 0.61$	$-0.59 + 0.62$		$\pm 0.61$	$-0.71 + 0.46$	

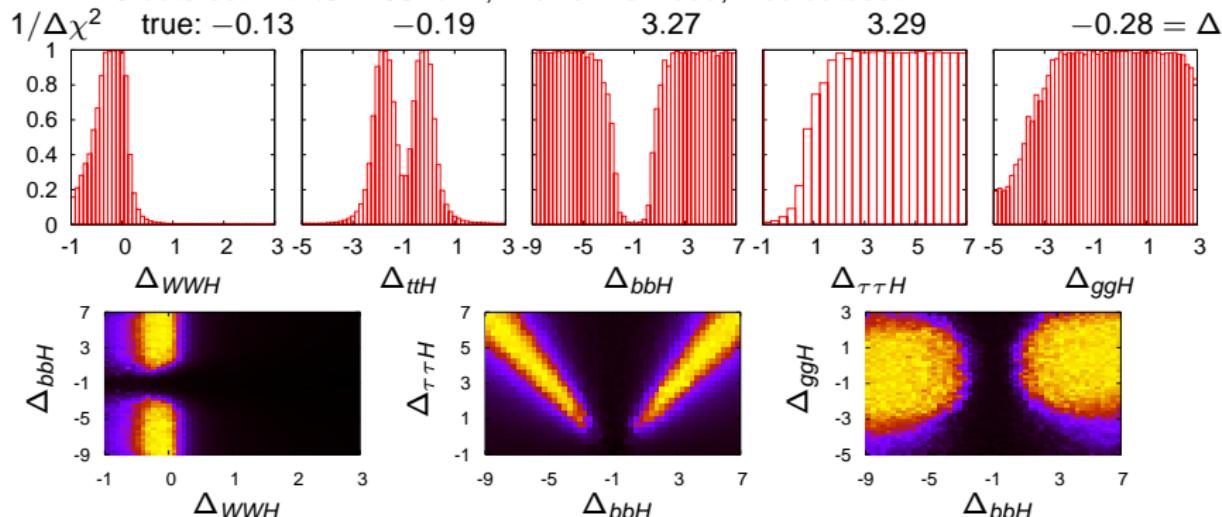


# Non-decoupling Supersymmetric Higgs

SPS1a-inspired scenario with

$$t_\beta = 7, A_t = -1100 \text{ GeV}, m_A = 151 \text{ GeV}, m_{h^0} = 120 \text{ GeV}$$

LHC data set with  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , Profile likelihood, True dataset



- Clear deviation from Standard Model:  
 $q(d_{\text{SUSY}}|m_{\text{SM}}) < q(d_{\text{SM}}|m_{\text{SM}})$  : 77% at 90% CL
- Favouring of new physics more difficult: only 4% better described by SUSY model
- Strong correlation between  $\Delta_{bbH}$  and  $\Delta_{\tau\tau H}$  via total width
- No upper limit on  $g_{bbH}$  as  $BR \simeq 1$  compatible with data

Additional hidden sector as singlet under SM gauge groups

[Patt, Wilczek]

Only possible connection to SM:

$$\mathcal{L} \propto \Phi_s^\dagger \Phi_s \Phi_h^\dagger \Phi_h$$

$\Phi_{s/h}$ : Higgs field of SM/hidden sector

Electro-weak symmetry breaking:

$$\phi_{s/h} \rightarrow (\nu_{s/h} + H_{s/h})/\sqrt{2}$$

$H_s$  and  $H_h$  mix into mass eigenstates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_1 \\ H_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \chi & \sin \chi \\ -\sin \chi & \cos \chi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} H_s \\ H_h \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma = \cos^2 \chi \cdot \sigma^{\text{SM}}$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{vis}} = \cos^2 \chi \cdot \Gamma_{\text{vis}}^{\text{SM}}$$

$$\Gamma_{\text{inv}} = \cos^2 \chi \cdot \Gamma_{\text{inv}}^{\text{SM}} + \Gamma_{\text{hid}}$$

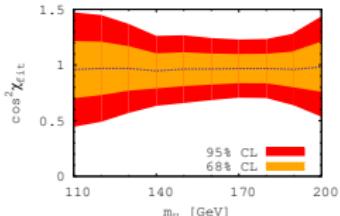
( $\Gamma_{\text{inv}}^{\text{SM}}$ : Decay  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\nu$  (negligible) )

# The Higgs Portal

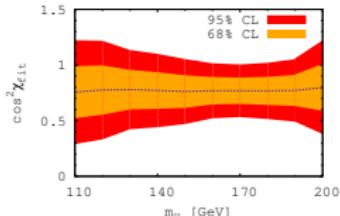
Fit of  $\cos^2 \chi_{\text{fit}}$  without constraints

- No invisible decay modes

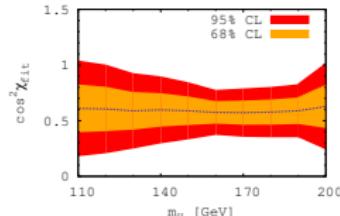
$$\cos^2 \chi_{\text{th}} = 1.0$$



$$\cos^2 \chi_{\text{th}} = 0.8$$



$$\cos^2 \chi_{\text{th}} = 0.6$$



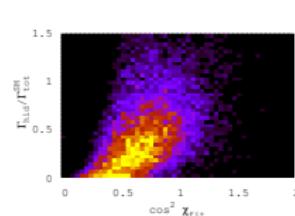
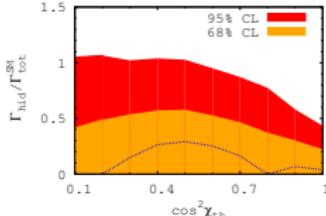
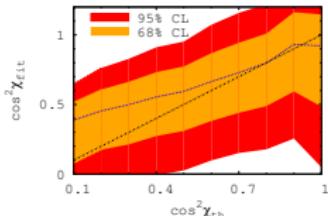
⇒ If  $\cos^2 \chi_{\text{th}} < 0.6$  can exclude SM at the 95% CL with  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

- Measuring invisible decays in VBF-Higgs production

Signature: Two VBF-jets plus missing  $E_T$

[Eboli, Zeppenfeld; MC-study: ATLAS]

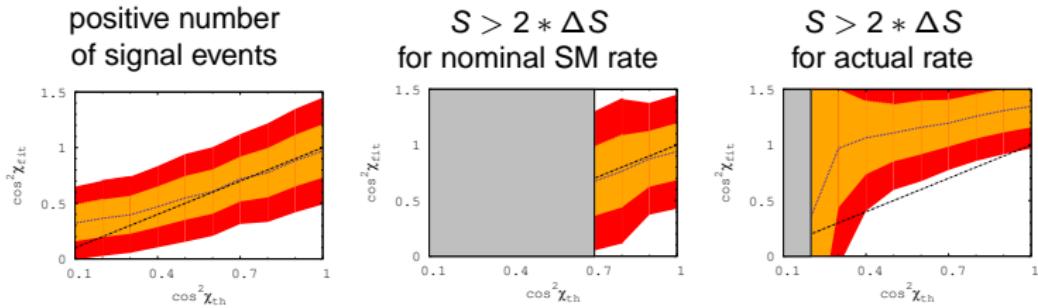
$$\Gamma_{\text{hid}} = \sin^2 \chi \cdot \Gamma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{SM}} \quad (\text{rhs: } \cos^2 \chi_{\text{th}} = 0.6)$$



# Observation Bias

Significant backgrounds in Higgs measurement channels

- Measure signal plus background in signal region
- Extrapolate background from signal-free control regions (sidebands, etc.) and subtract
- Background from theory typically not better
- ⇒  $B$  from control regions can be larger than  $S+B$  in signal region



⇒ Careful treatment necessary

Observation of Higgs bosons favors larger couplings  
Cross-check using all predicted channels

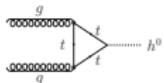
# Conclusions

- Determining the Higgs-boson couplings important for our understanding of electroweak symmetry breaking
- Independent of explicit realisation of new physics (if any): Standard Model with effective Higgs couplings
- Expected accuracy of 20 – 50% in Standard Model with  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 14 TeV
- Recent jet substructure analysis significantly improves result on bottom-quark coupling
- Influences accuracy of all other couplings via total width
- Extended Models (SUSY, Portal Higgs, ...) can lead to simple one-parameter deviations which can be tested
- Beware of observation bias and degenerate solutions

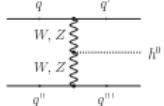
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Main Higgs-boson production modes:

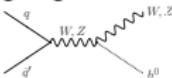
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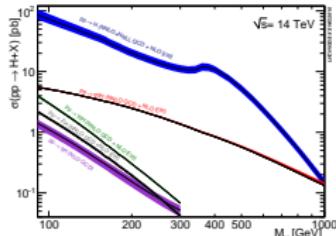
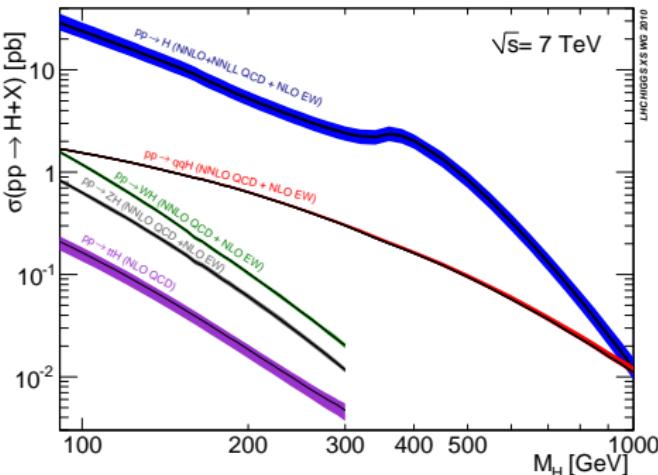
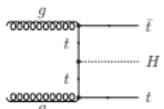
- vector-boson fusion



- associated production with gauge bosons



- associated production with top-quark–antiquark pair



# Higgs decay modes

- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

- main decay mode ( $\sim 90\%$ ) for light Higgs bosons, as suggested by electroweak precision data
- hard to extract from QCD backgrounds
- recent suggestion of  $WH/ZH$  production plus jet substructure analysis looks promising ( $3.7\sigma$  @  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  &  $14 \text{ TeV}$ )

[Butterworth, Davison, Rubin, Salam; ATL-PHYS-PUB-088]

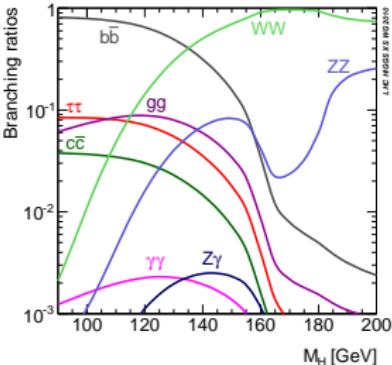
- $H \rightarrow \tau\bar{\tau}$

- need to reconstruct invariant mass of the two taus  
 $\rightarrow$  limits production channel to vector-boson fusion
- one of the discovery channels for light Higgs bosons  
[Plehn, Rainwater, Zeppenfeld]

- $H \rightarrow WW$

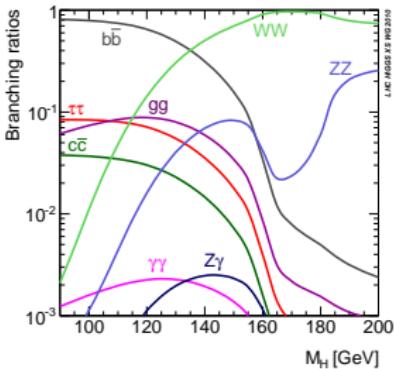
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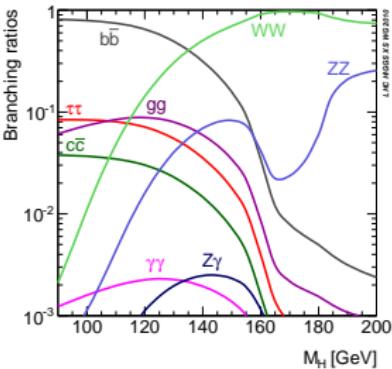
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- $H \rightarrow WW$ 
  - main decay mode for heavier Higgs bosons ( $m_H \gtrsim 140$  GeV)
  - gluon and vector-boson fusion relevant even if  $W$ s are off-shell
- $H \rightarrow ZZ$ 
  - "Golden Channel" due to four-lepton final state
  - statistically limited to larger Higgs masses
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



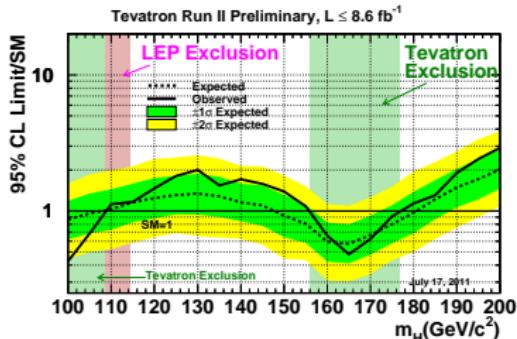
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  - loop-induced coupling by (mainly)  $W$  and  $t$
  - only fully reconstructable channel for a light Higgs boson
  - small branching ratio ( $\lesssim 0.2\%$ )
  - promising discovery channel for light Higgs bosons, background can be subtracted via sidebands
  - Higgs mass measurement up to 100 MeV

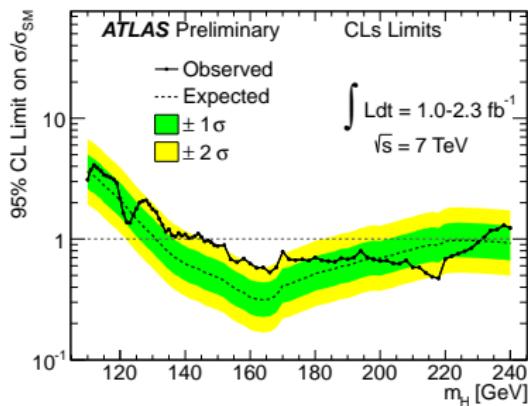
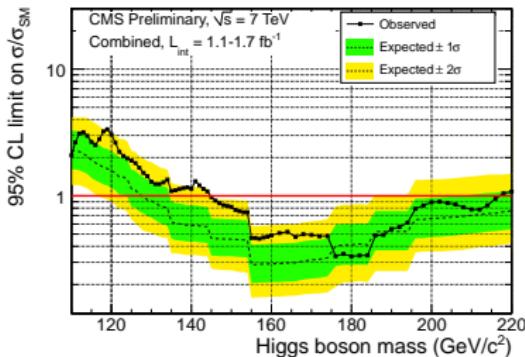


# Discovering the Higgs boson

## Tevatron results



## LHC results



# Higgs at the LHC

Input data [Dührssen (ATL-PHYS-2002-030), ATLAS CSC Note; CMS results comparable]

$m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$ ;  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

production	decay	$S + B$	$B$	$S$	$\Delta S^{(\text{exp})}$	$\Delta S^{(\text{theo})}$
$gg \rightarrow H$	$ZZ$	13.4	$6.6 (\times 5)$	6.8	3.9	0.8
$qqH$	$ZZ$	1.0	$0.2 (\times 5)$	0.8	1.0	0.1
$gg \rightarrow H$	$WW$	1019.5	$882.8 (\times 1)$	136.7	63.4	18.2
$qqH$	$WW$	59.4	$37.5 (\times 1)$	21.9	10.2	1.7
$t\bar{t}H$	$WW(3\ell)$	23.9	$21.2 (\times 1)$	2.7	6.8	0.4
$t\bar{t}H$	$WW(2\ell)$	24.0	$19.6 (\times 1)$	4.4	6.7	0.6
inclusive	$\gamma\gamma$	12205.0	$11820.0 (\times 10)$	385.0	164.9	44.5
$qqH$	$\gamma\gamma$	38.7	$26.7 (\times 10)$	12.0	6.5	0.9
$t\bar{t}H$	$\gamma\gamma$	2.1	$0.4 (\times 10)$	1.7	1.5	0.2
$WH$	$\gamma\gamma$	2.4	$0.4 (\times 10)$	2.0	1.6	0.1
$ZH$	$\gamma\gamma$	1.1	$0.7 (\times 10)$	0.4	1.1	0.1
$qqH$	$\tau\tau(2\ell)$	26.3	$10.2 (\times 2)$	16.1	5.8	1.2
$qqH$	$\tau\tau(1\ell)$	29.6	$11.6 (\times 2)$	18.0	6.6	1.3
$t\bar{t}H$	$b\bar{b}$	244.5	$219.0 (\times 1)$	25.5	31.2	3.6
$WH/ZH$	$bb$	228.6	$180.0 (\times 1)$	48.6	20.7	4.0

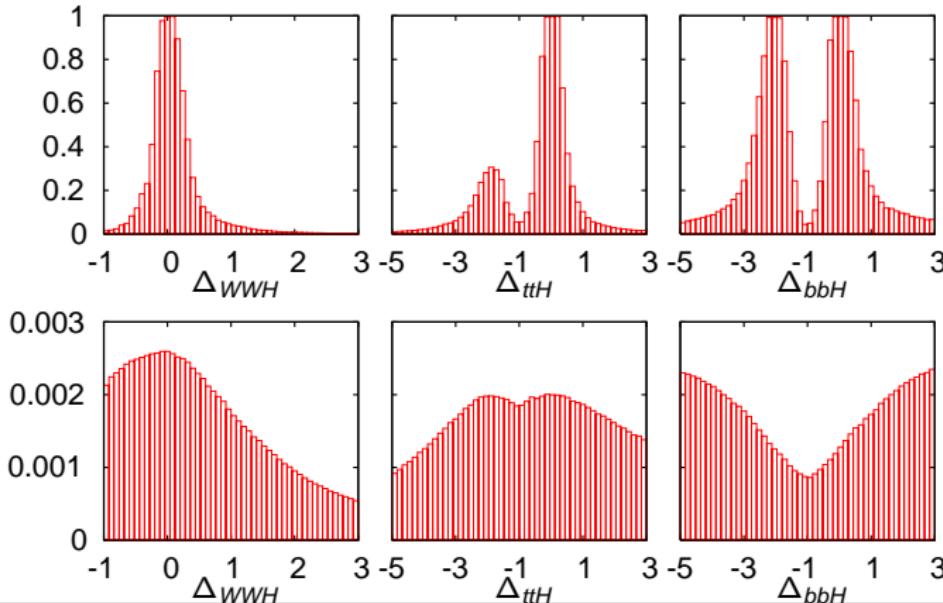
Last line obtained using subjet techniques ([Butterworth, Davison, Rubin, Salam]),  
theoretical results confirmed by ATLAS ([ATL-PHYS-PUB-2009-088])  
(stricter cuts, statistical significance basically unchanged)

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## One-dimensional distributions

- Slow-falling distributions with single peaks prefer profile likelihood
- Higher luminosity qualitatively similar, quantitatively better
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True dataset,  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ; Profile likelihood vs. Bayesian

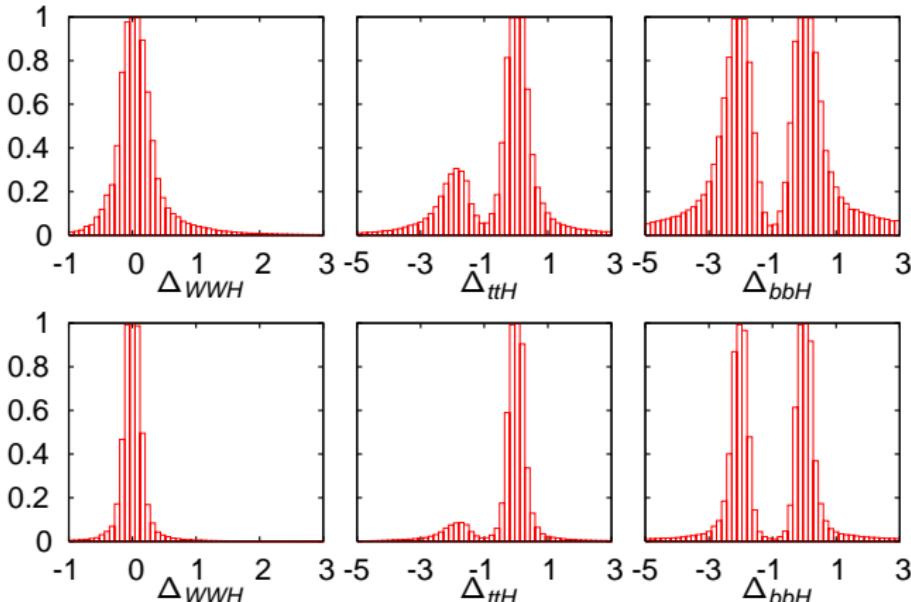


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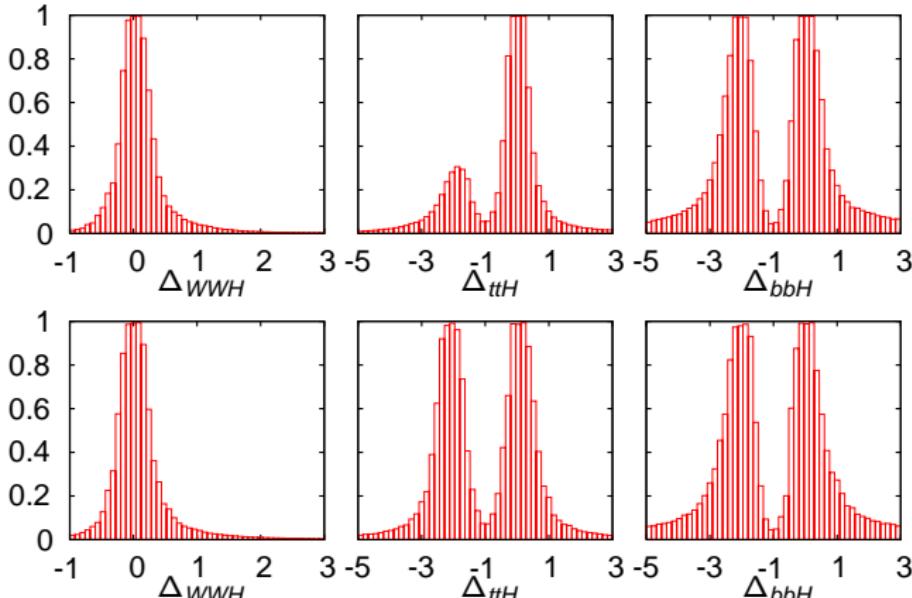


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True dataset, Profile likelihood,  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ; Without vs. including eff. couplings

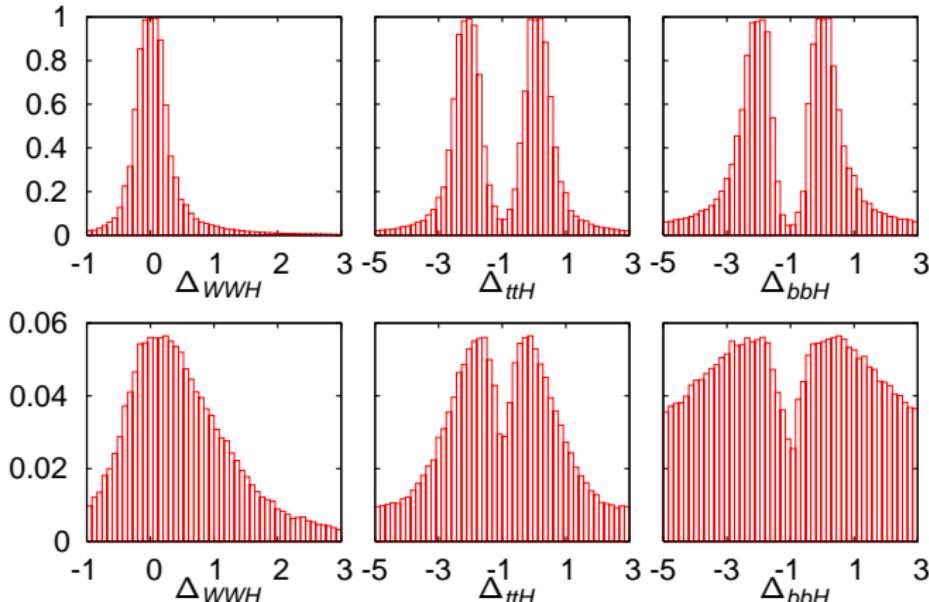


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Profile likelihood,  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ; True vs. smeared dataset

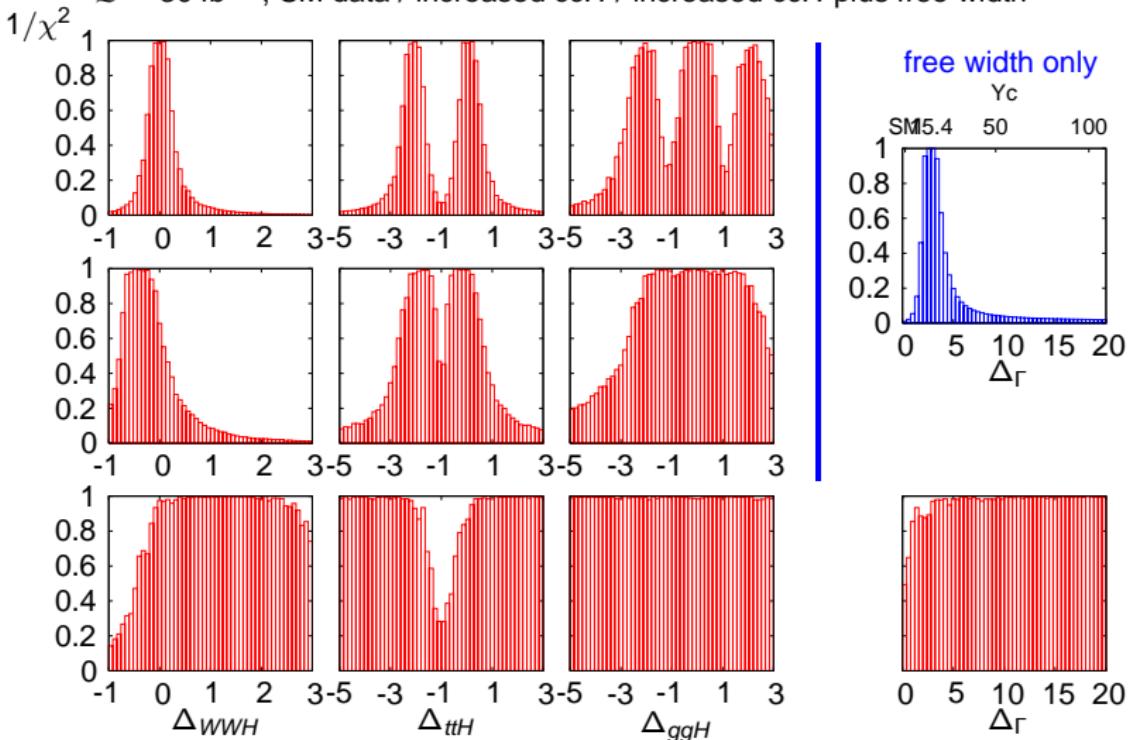


# Invisible vs. Unobserved

- Invisible Higgs decays actually observable
  - Vector-Boson Fusion: tagging jets plus missing  $E_T$  [Eboli, Zeppenfeld]
  - $WH/ZH$ : recoil against nothing [Choudhury, Roy; Godbole, Guchait, Mazumdar, Moretti, Roy]
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# Strongly-Interacting Light Higgs

[Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi; Espinosa, Grojean, Mühlleitner]

Higgs pseudo-Goldstone boson of new strongly interacting sector  
Modifications parametrized by  $\xi = (v/f)^2$  ( $f$ : Goldstone scale)

## ■ MCHM4:

Scaling of all couplings with  $\sqrt{1 - \xi}$   
⇒ Identify  $\cos^2 \chi = 1 - \xi$   
 $\Gamma_{\text{hid}} = 0$

## ■ MCHM5:

Scaling:

$$g_{VH} = g_{VH}^{\text{SM}} \cdot \sqrt{1 - \xi}$$

$$g_{f\bar{f}H} = g_{f\bar{f}H}^{\text{SM}} \cdot \frac{1 - 2\xi}{\sqrt{1 - \xi}}$$

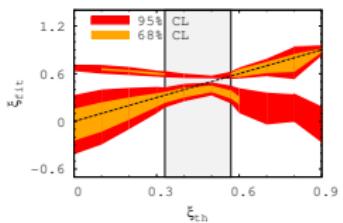
Significant and observable deviations also in Higgs self-couplings

[Gröber, Mühlleitner]

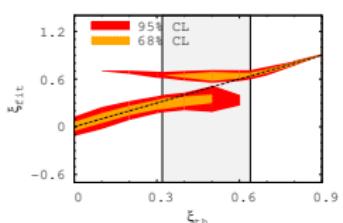
[Bock, Lafaye, Plehn, MR, D. Zerwas, P.M. Zerwas]

Secondary solutions appear (sign of  $f\bar{f}H$  coupling)

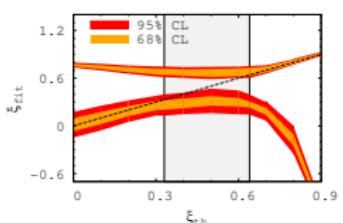
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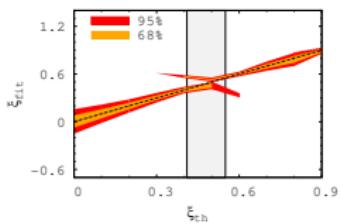
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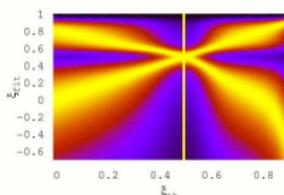
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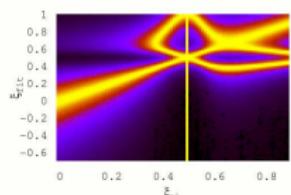
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$$WH/ZH, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$$



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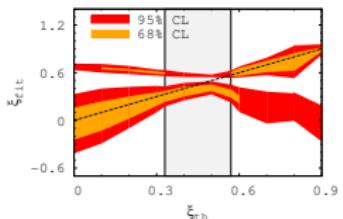
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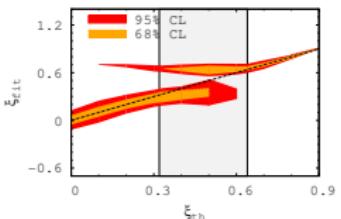
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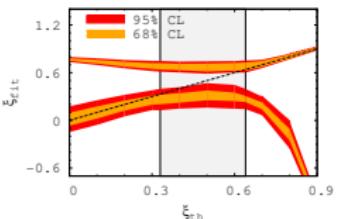
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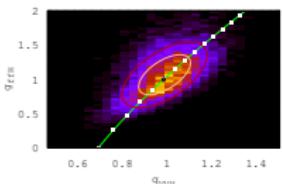


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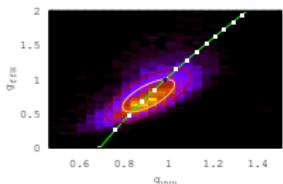


Independent fit of common vector and fermion couplings

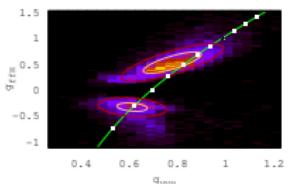
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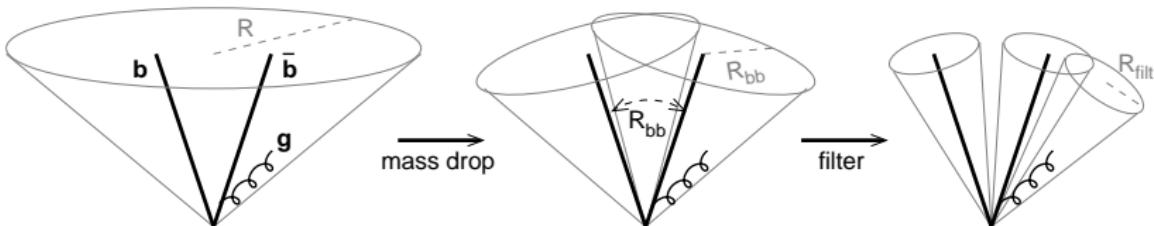
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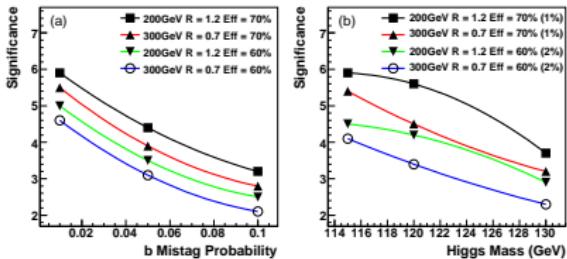
[Butterworth, Davison, Rubin, Salam]

- Decay into  $b\bar{b}$  main channel for light Higgs ( $\sim 80\%$ )
- Suffers from large QCD backgrounds → Use high- $p_T$  region
  - Higgs and  $W/Z$  more likely to be central,  $Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$  visible
  - $t\bar{t}$  kinematics cannot simulate background
  - Much smaller cross section (1/20 for  $p_T(H) > 200$  GeV)
  - $R \gtrsim \frac{3m_H}{p_T}$ : resolve one jet in 75% of cases
- Algorithm to find fat jet":
  - ① Start with high- $p_T$  jet (Cambridge/Aachen algorithm)
  - ② Undo last stage of clustering ( $\equiv$  reduce  $R$ ):  $J \rightarrow J_1, J_2$
  - ③ If  $\max(m_1, m_2) \lesssim 0.67m$ , call this a mass drop
  - ④ Require  $y_{12} = \frac{\min(p_{T1}^2, p_{T2}^2)}{m_{12}^2} \Delta R_{12} \simeq \frac{\min(z_1, z_2)}{\max(z_1, z_2)} > 0.09$
  - ⑤ Require each subjet to have b-tag
  - ⑥ Filter the jet: Reconsider region of interest at smaller  $R_{\text{filt}} = \min(0.3, R_{bb}/2)$
  - ⑦ Take 3 hardest subjets



# Fat Jets in Higgs channels

## WH/ZH



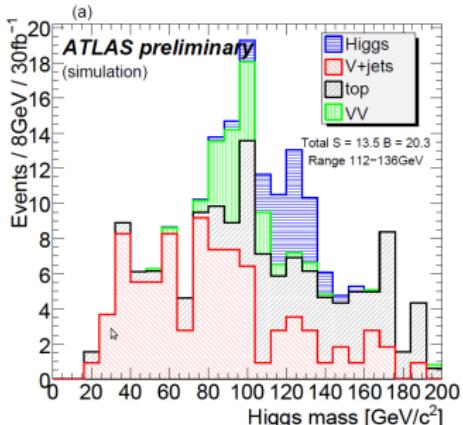
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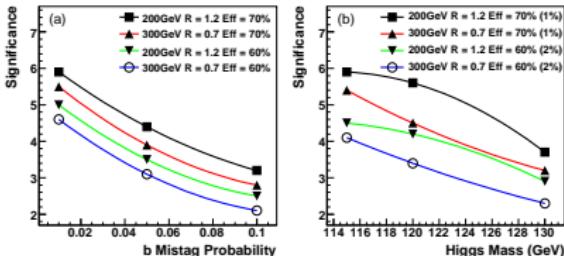


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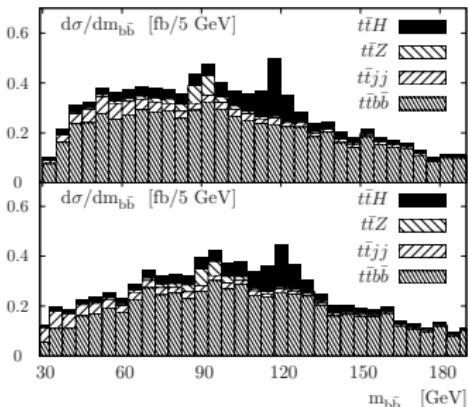
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## ■ $t\bar{t}H$



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$\mathcal{L} = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$S$	$B$	$S/B$	$S/\sqrt{B}$
$m_H = 115 \text{ GeV}$	57	118	1/2.1	5.2
120 GeV	48	115	1/2.4	4.5
130 GeV	29	103	1/3.6	2.9

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