



# Unitarized models of VV scattering at the LHC. From 7 to 14 TeV.

What if no Higgs shows up?

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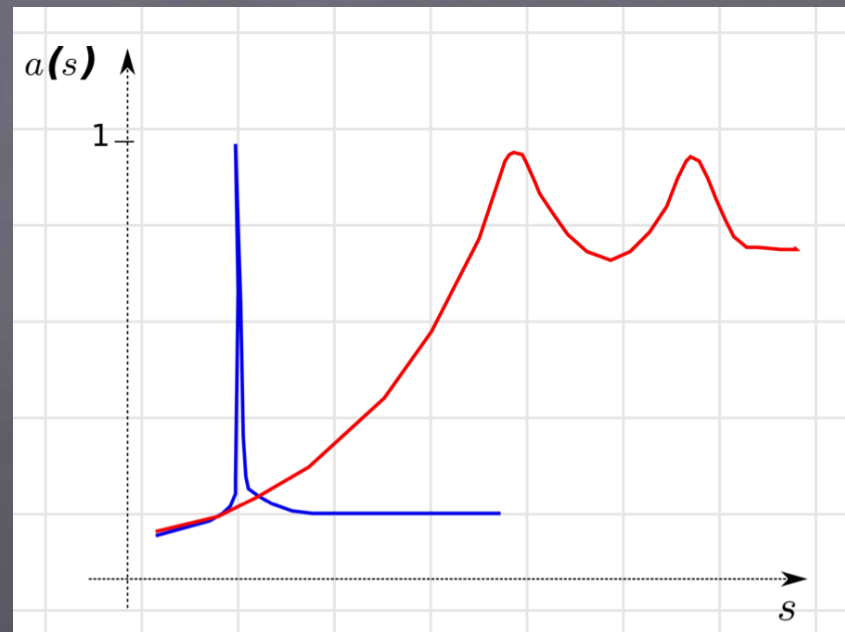
# Outline

Update on results presented by A. Ballestrero at the WG1 September meeting

- Brief introduction
- Recall implementation of unitarized models of Vector Boson Scattering (VBS) in the event generator PHANTOM with complete  $2 \rightarrow 6$  m.e.
- Review results at 14 TeV: combining all channels it appears likely unitarized model could be detected as an excess of events compared to SM predictions
- Present results at 7, 8 and 10 GeV: only some model will be within reach. Energy is crucial. Limits on relevant parameters can be set

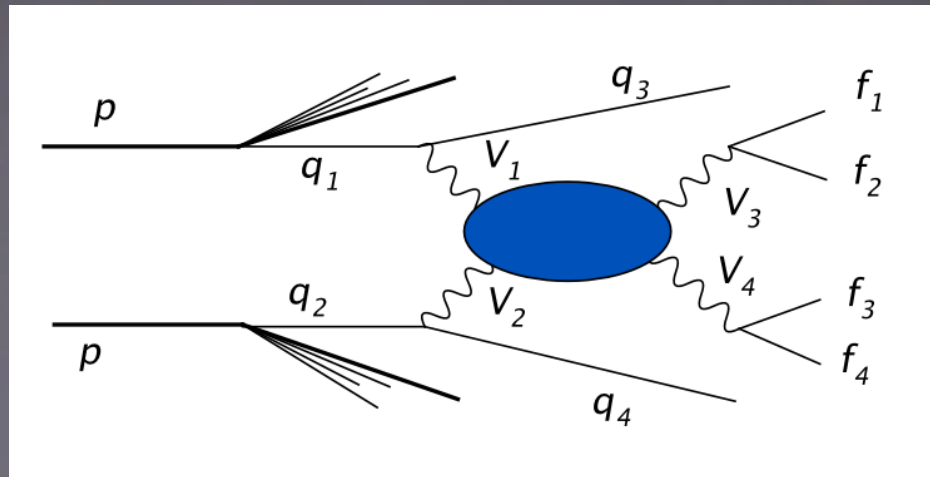
If the Higgs is found: VBS amps predicted to remain small  
Ultimate test of SM description of EWSB

If the Higgs is NOT found: VBS amps grow with  $s$  at “threshold”  
Nothing in the SM to tame this growth  
In the absence of new physics violate unitarity  $\sim 1.7$  TeV  
Best hunting ground for hints of new physics of EWSB  
Expect resonances as in  $\pi\pi$  physics



VBS is not the only Weak process in which unitarity is violated  
In all other cases the violation happens at larger cm partonic energy

# LHC:2j+VV



PDF  $\rightarrow d\sigma/dM_{VV}$  decreases at large  $M_{VV}$

Look for possible increases in VV+2j production wrt SM

Large gauge cancellations between scattering and non scattering diagrams

VV  $\rightarrow 2j+2l$  semileptonic channels. VV mass can be reconstructed.

“Large” rate, Large bkg: QCD V+4j (NLO BlackHat),  $t\bar{t}$ (+jets)

VV  $\rightarrow 4l$  leptonic channels (NLO Zeppenfeld, Greiner). If more than one neutrino VV mass cannot be reconstructed.

“Small” rate, Small bkg:  $O(\alpha_s^2)$  mimics signal,  $t\bar{t}$ (+jets)

Large separation between tag jets and centrality of VV decay products improve signal/background

# Effective lagrangian: a tool to parametrize the unknown

$$\Sigma(x) = \exp\left(\frac{i\sigma^a \omega^a(x)}{v}\right) \quad \omega^a \quad a=1,2,3 \text{ are Goldstone bosons. In Unitary Gauge } \omega^a=0, \Sigma=1$$

$$\Sigma \rightarrow U_L(x)\Sigma U_Y^\dagger(x),$$

$$U_L(x) = \exp\left(\frac{i\beta^a(x)\sigma^a}{2}\right), \quad U_Y(x) = \exp\left(\frac{i\beta_Y(x)\sigma^3}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \frac{v^2}{4} \text{Tr}[(D_\mu \Sigma)^\dagger (D^\mu \Sigma)] - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu,a} - \frac{1}{4} W_{\mu\nu}^i W^{\mu\nu,i} - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} \\ & + i\bar{Q}_L \not{D} Q_L + i\bar{Q}_R \not{D} Q_R + i\bar{L}_L \not{D} L_L + i\bar{L}_R \not{D} L_R \\ & - (\bar{Q}_L \Sigma M_Q Q_R + \bar{L}_L \Sigma M_L L_R + \text{h.c.}). \end{aligned}$$

Non linear  
σ-model  
NonRenormalizable  
in d=4

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = \alpha_4 \text{Tr}[V^\mu, V^\nu]^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = \alpha_5 \text{Tr}[V_\mu, V^\mu]^2$$

$$V_\mu = (D_\mu \Sigma) \Sigma^\dagger$$

Only two dimension-4 operators which respect EW and custodial symmetry

They modify the SM quartic vertices

Higher dimensional operators suppressed by inverse powers of  $\Lambda$ , the large energy scale of new physics

$$A^{(1)}(s, t, u) = \frac{s}{v^2}$$

Master  
Amplitudes

$$A^{(2)}(s, t, u) = 4\alpha_4 \frac{t^2 + u^2}{v^4} + 8\alpha_5 \frac{s^2}{v^4} + \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left[ \frac{10s^2 + 13(t^2 + u^2)}{18v^4} + \frac{s^2}{2v^4} \ln \left( \frac{\mu^2}{-s} \right) + \frac{t(s + 2t)}{6v^4} \ln \left( \frac{\mu^2}{-t} \right) + \frac{u(s + 2u)}{6v^4} \ln \left( \frac{\mu^2}{-u} \right) \right],$$

Amps of definite isospin

$$A_0(s, t, u) = 3A(s, t, u) + A(t, s, u) + A(u, s, t),$$

$$A_1(s, t, u) = A(t, s, u) - A(u, s, t),$$

$$A_2(s, t, u) = A(t, s, u) + A(u, s, t).$$

$$A(\omega^+\omega^- \rightarrow zz) = \frac{1}{3}A_0(s, t, u) - \frac{1}{3}A_2(s, t, u)$$

$$A_{IJ}(s) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 d \cos \theta P_J(\cos \theta) A_I(s, t, u),$$

Partial wave expansion

eg:

$$A_{00}(s) = 2 \frac{s}{v^2} + \left[ \frac{8}{3} (7\alpha_4(\mu) + 11\alpha_5(\mu)) + \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left( 2 \ln \left( \frac{\mu^2}{-s} \right) + \frac{7}{9} \ln \left( \frac{\mu^2}{s} \right) + \frac{11}{54} \right) \right] \frac{s^2}{v^4}$$

$$\ln(-s) = \ln s - i\pi, \text{ when } s > 0$$

$$\text{Im } A_{IJ}^{(2)}(s) = \frac{1}{32\pi} |A_{IJ}^{(1)}(s)|^2$$

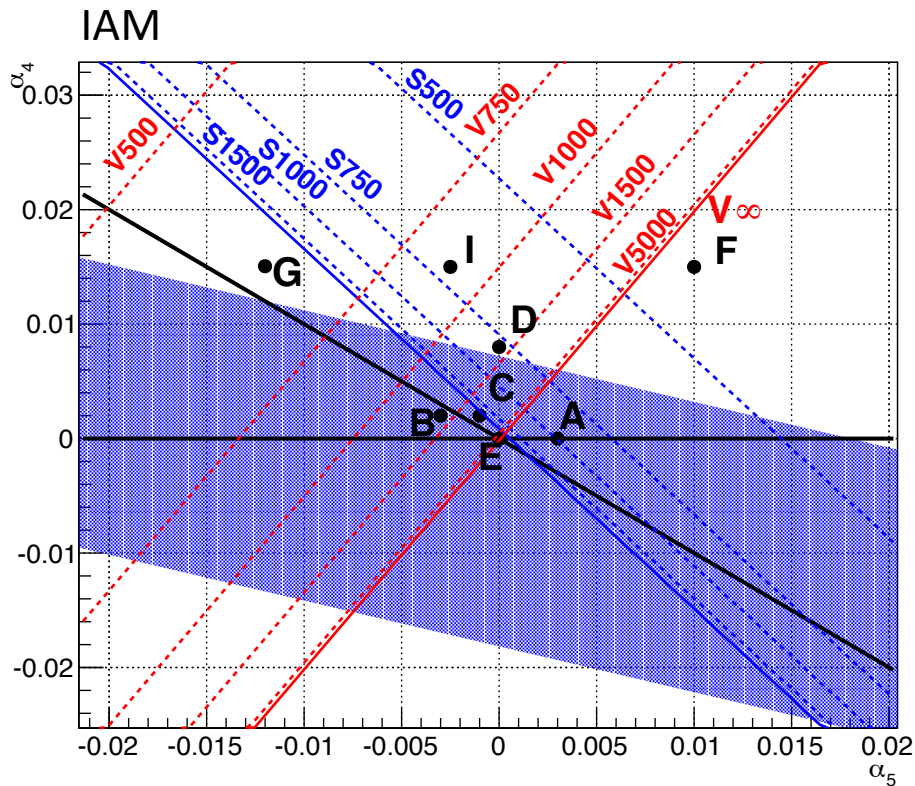
$$T^\dagger T = -i(T - T^\dagger)$$

Amplitudes still grow indefinitely as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ . Need unitarization procedure

# Unitarized Model Implementation in PHANTOM

Unitarized models modify the amplitudes in such a way that unitarity is satisfied keeping the same low energy behaviour

In the K-matrix scheme specific resonances (scalar vector or tensor) can be added to  $a_{ij}(s)$ , while IAM and N/D prescriptions produce different resonances depending on the specific values of  $\alpha_4$  and  $\alpha_5$ . N/D has additional parameters.



- K-matrix scheme:

$$a_{IJ}(s) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\text{Re}(1/a_{IJ}(s)) - i}$$

- Inverse Amplitude Method:

$$a_{IJ}(s) \rightarrow \frac{a_{IJ}^{(1)}(s)}{1 - a_{IJ}^{(2)}(s)/a_{IJ}^{(1)}(s)}$$

- N/D protocol:

$$a_{IJ}(s) \rightarrow \frac{N_{IJ}(s)}{1 + G(s)N_{IJ}(s)}$$

$$G(s) = \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \ln\left(-\frac{s}{M^2}\right)$$

$$N_{IJ}(s) = a_{IJ}^{(1)}(s) + a_{IJ}^{(2)}(s) + G(s)(a_{IJ}^{(1)}(s))^2;$$

$\alpha_4$  and  $\alpha_5$  constrained in the range (Eboli et al hep-ph/0606118)

$$\begin{aligned} -7.7 \times 10^{-3} &< \alpha_4 < 15 \times 10^{-3} \\ -12 \times 10^{-3} &< \alpha_5 < 10 \times 10^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

De Vecchi: unitarity & causality

Van der Bij

# Off-shell implementation

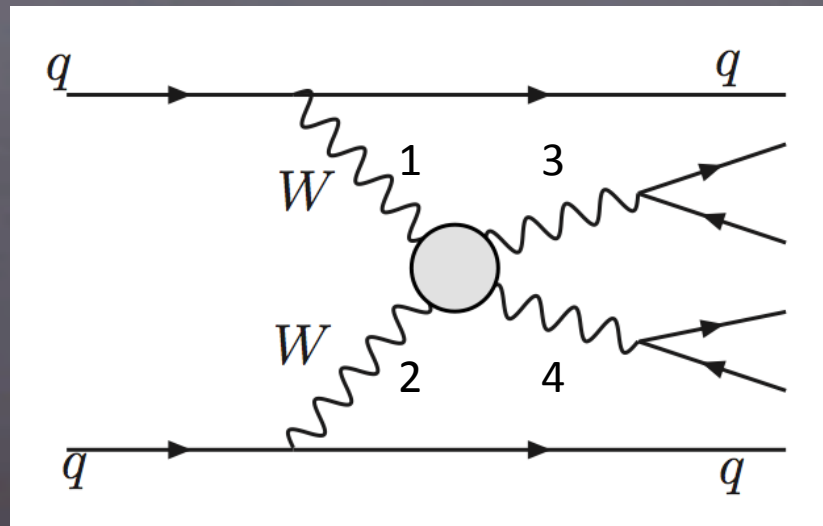
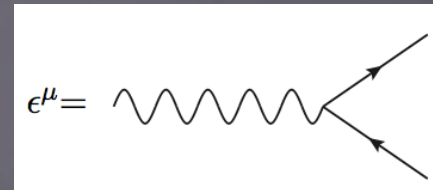
- Needed for LHC beyond EVBA approximation, keep control of tag jets
- Proposed by Chanowitz hep-ph/9512358
- Implemented by Kilian et al. in WHIZARD
- Implemented independently in PHANTOM

Elastic amplitudes are embedded as modifications of quartic vertices  
 s,t,u are identified with appropriate contractions of polarization vectors  
 Exact phase between scattering and non scattering diagrams is preserved

$$s^2 = 2p_1 \cdot p_2 \ 2p_3 \cdot p_4 \approx 4M_{V_1} M_{V_2} M_{V_3} M_{V_4} g_{\mu\nu} g_{\rho\sigma} \epsilon_1^\mu \epsilon_2^\nu \epsilon_3^\rho \epsilon_4^\sigma$$

$$t^2 = 2p_1 \cdot p_3 \ 2p_2 \cdot p_4 \approx 4M_{V_1} M_{V_2} M_{V_3} M_{V_4} g_{\mu\rho} g_{\nu\sigma} \epsilon_1^\mu \epsilon_2^\nu \epsilon_3^\rho \epsilon_4^\sigma$$

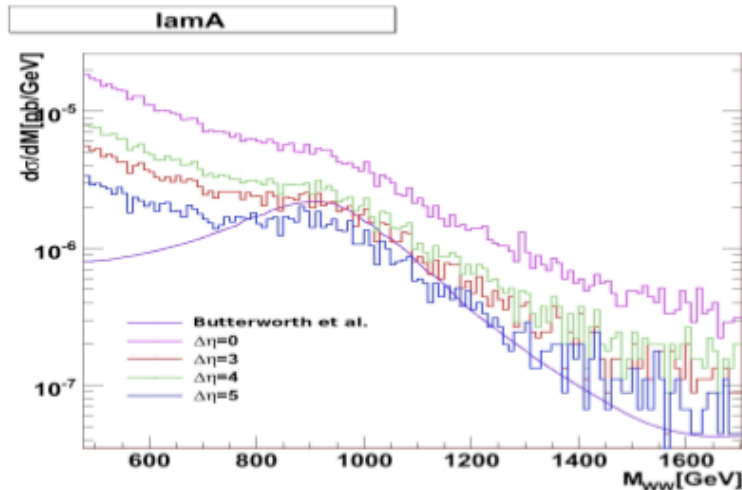
$$u^2 = 2p_1 \cdot p_4 \ 2p_2 \cdot p_3 \approx 4M_{V_1} M_{V_2} M_{V_3} M_{V_4} g_{\mu\sigma} g_{\nu\rho} \epsilon_1^\mu \epsilon_2^\nu \epsilon_3^\rho \epsilon_4^\sigma$$





# Results for Unitarization Models

Comparison with previous study (Butterworth et al, hep-ph/0201098) based on on-shell amplitudes and EVBA.



$$2j_{\mu^{\pm}e^{\mp}}\nu\bar{\nu}$$

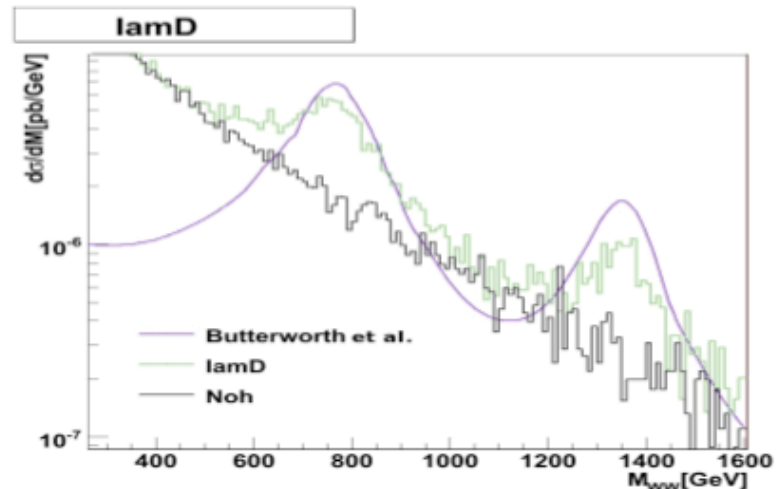
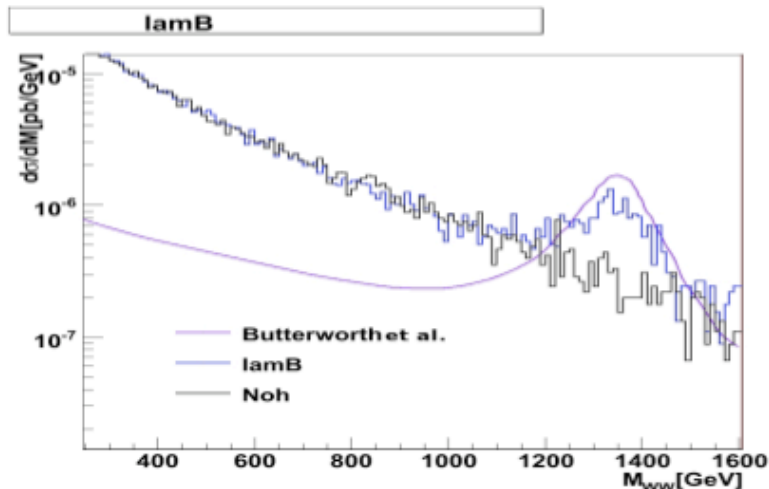
$$\Delta\eta(jj) > 4$$

no top processes

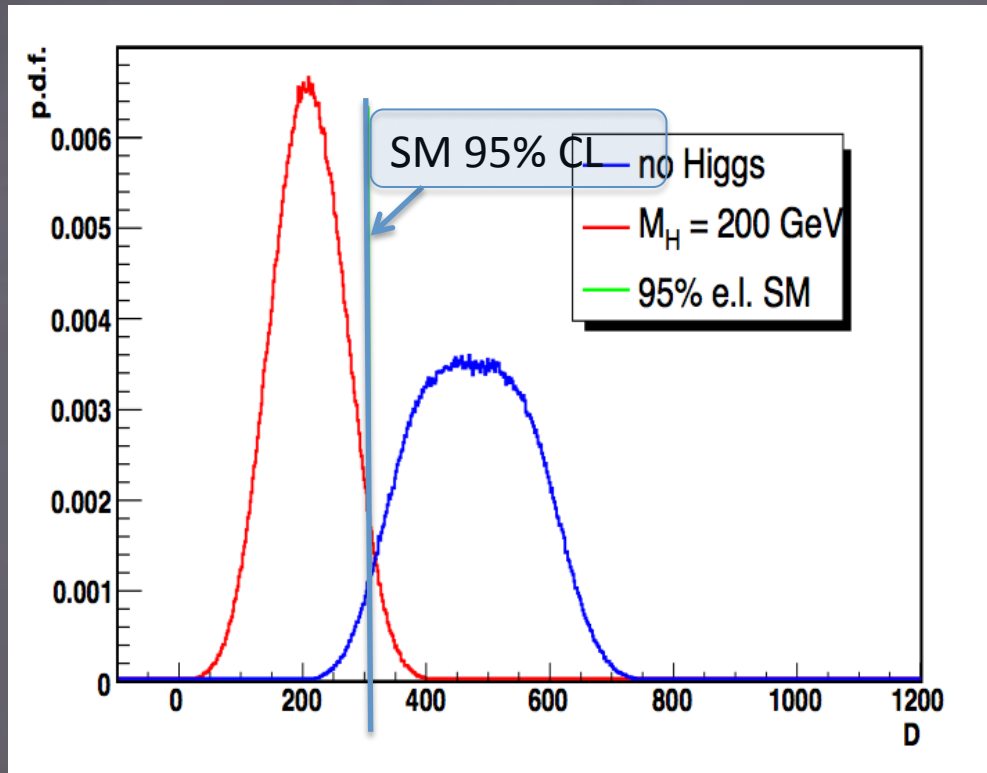
scenario	$\alpha_4$	$\alpha_5$
IAM A	0.0	0.003
IAM B	0.002	-0.003
IAM D	0.008	0.0

IAM determines resonances depending on chiral coeff:  
 IAMA 1 TeV scalar  
 IAMB 1.4 vector  
 IAMD 0.8 scal 1.4 vect

**VV mass not measured**  
**offpeak as important as peak**



## Method: Probability Beyond the Standard Model @ 95% CL (PBSM95%CL)



The MC results are smeared for statistical fluctuations and for theoretical uncertainties:  
flat distribution  $\pm 30\%$  (Parton distributions, NLO contributions ...)

UNLESS THEY CAN BE MEASURED IN DIFFERENT KINEMATIC REGIONS eg: tt, 4jV

The fraction of BSM distribution beyond the 95% SM line is the PBSM95%CL

QCD Corrections  $\sim 10\%$ ,  $x_q \sim 10^{-1}-10^{-2}$  pdf uncertainties  $\sim 5\%$  Larger for QCD( $\alpha_s^4$ ) 4jV, gg

# Results at 14 TeV for Unitarized Models

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Ballestrero, Franzosi, Oggero, EM

$$2jW^+W^- \rightarrow 2j\ell^+\ell^-\nu\bar{\nu}$$

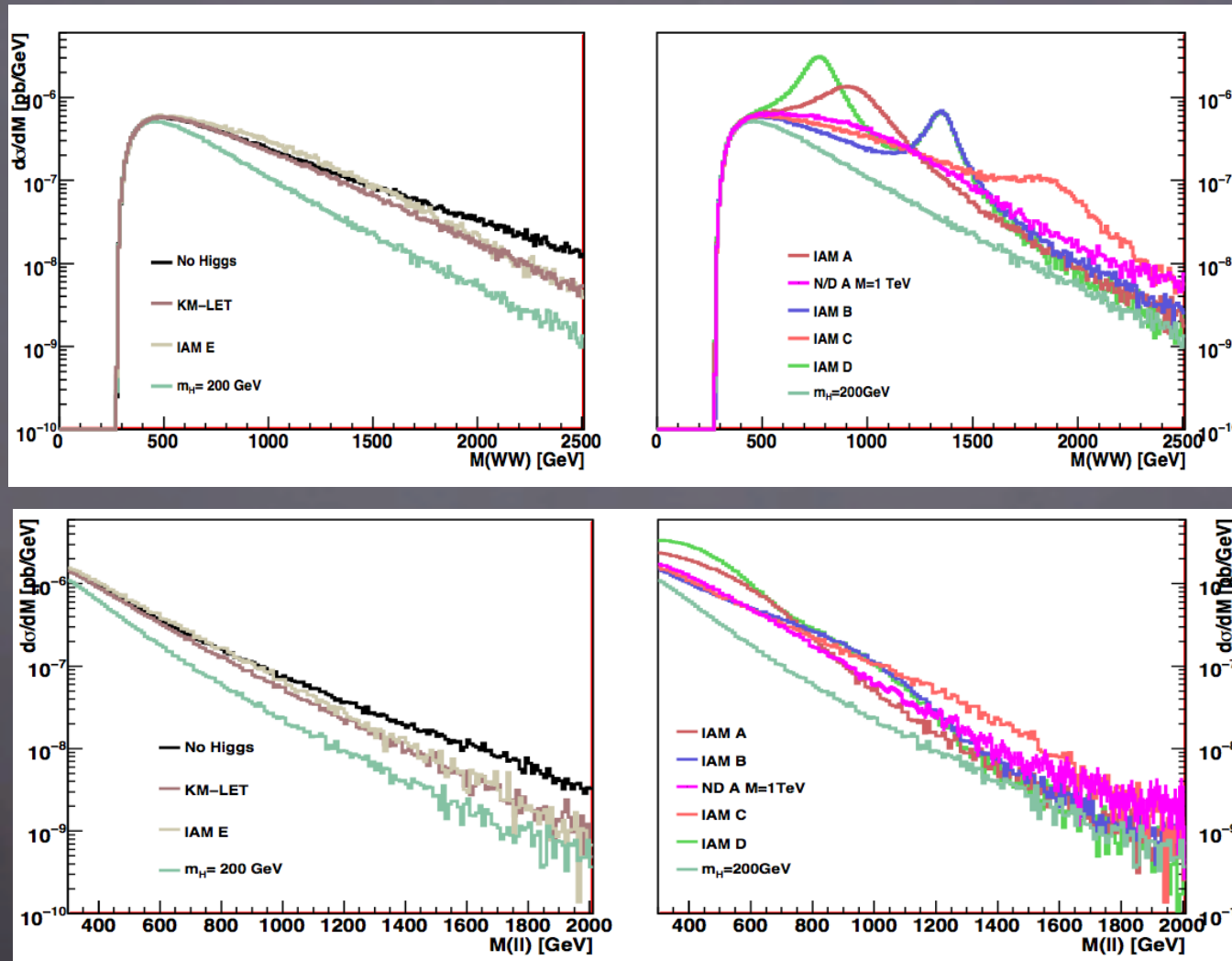
Cuts in spares. Used  $\Delta R$  for jets  
MVA can do more. Boosted fat jets

- IAM A:  $m_s = 1$  TeV
- IAM B:  $m_v = 1.4$  TeV
- IAM C:  $m_v = 1.9$  TeV
- IAM D:  $m_s = 0.8$  TeV,  
 $m_v = 1.4$  TeV
- IAM E: no res 1loop
- KM-LET: no res tree
- KM method
- N/D:  $m_s = 1$  TeV

No Higgs  
not significantly  
different from  
IAM E, KM-LET  
at LHC energies

MadEvent for  $t\bar{t}$ +jets

Other channels exist  
and can be combined

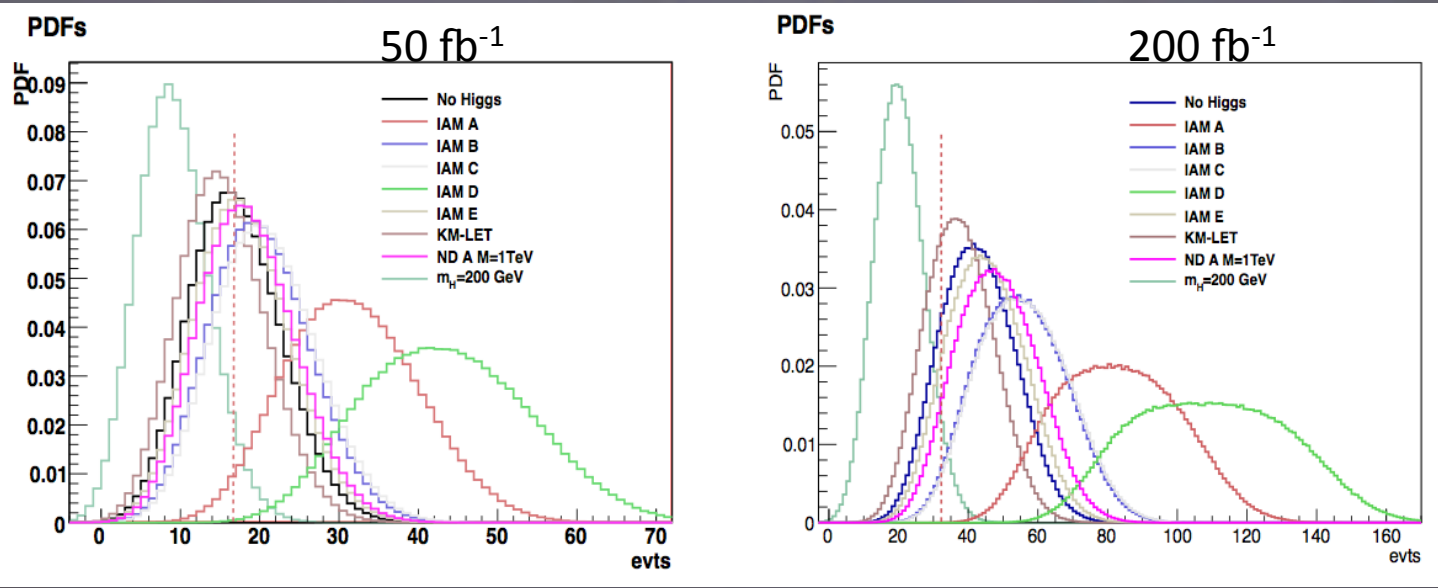


$$2jW^+W^- \rightarrow 2jl^+\ell^-\nu\bar{\nu}$$

In fb

$$M_{cut} = M_{min}(II)$$

$M_{cut}$	no-H	KM	IAMA	IAMB	IAMC	IAMD	IAME	N/D	SM	$t\bar{t}jj$
300	.337	.303	.631	.400	.412	.867	.355	.367	.179	.173
400	.212	.186	.413	.274	.277	.547	.224	.240	.100	.0890
500	.139	.115	.246	.190	.187	.304	.142	.150	.0577	.0407
600	.0968	.0724	.132	.130	.126	.160	.0897	.0931	.0332	.0215
700	.0696	.0461	.0658	.0862	.0858	.0898	.0571	.0568	.0217	.0138



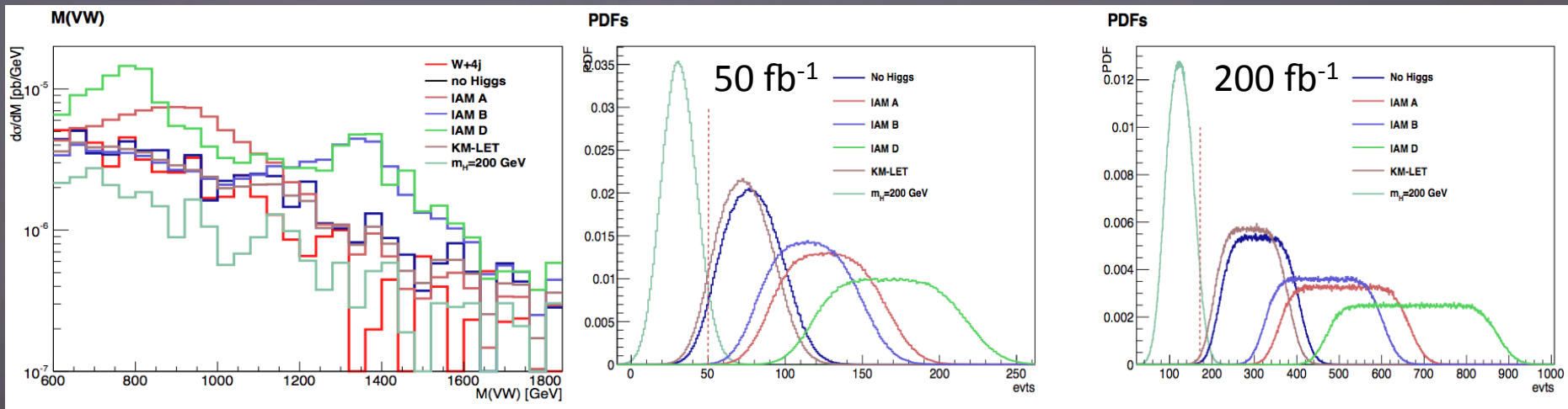
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$L(\text{fb}^{-1})$	$M_{cut}$	no-H	KM	IAMA	IAMB	IAMC	IAMD	IAME	N/D
50	300	49.4%	37.8%	97.2%	68.5 %	71.6%	99.9%	55.4%	59.2 %
200	400	82.5%	68.4 %	100%	97.2 %	97.5%	100%	87.2%	91.8 %

# 4jlv channel

In fb  $M_{cut} = M_{\min}(j_c j_c l \nu)$   $70 \text{ GeV} < M(j_c j_c) < 100 \text{ GeV}$   
 Large BR(WV  $\rightarrow$  2jlv), Large QCD bkg  $p_z(\nu)$  reconstructed  
 MadEvent for W4j and tt+jets

$M_{cut}$	no-Higgs	KM-LET	IAM A	IAM B	IAM D	SM	$W + 4j$	$t\bar{t} + 2j$
600	2.36	2.23	3.66	3.04	5.46	1.048	2.03	.432
800	1.558	1.46	2.56	2.32	3.36	.618	1.15	.167
1000	.966	.877	1.13	1.76	1.90	.338	0.62	.0617
1200	.526	.478	.414	1.26	1.27	.188	0.30	.0264

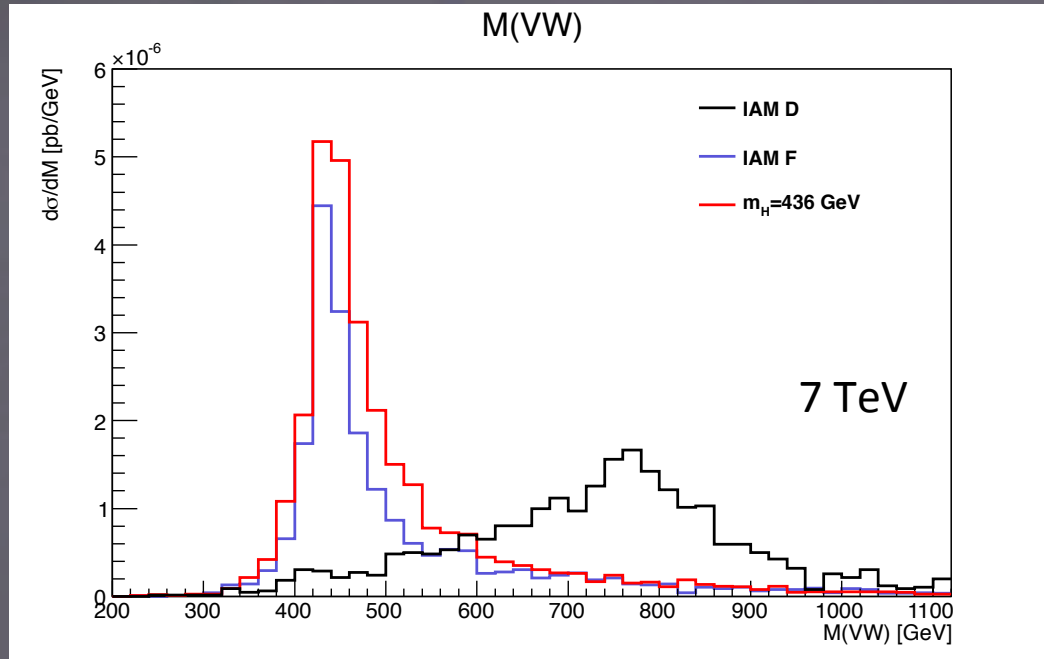


$L (\text{fb}^{-1})$	$M_{cut} (\text{GeV})$	no-Higgs	KM-LET	IAM A	IAM B	IAM D
50	800	94.51%	91.03%	99.99%	99.97%	100%
200	800	99.93%	99.64%	100%	100%	100%

Better channel IF bkg can be controlled

# Results at lower energies: 7,8,10 TeV

Ballestrero, Franzosi, EM  
arXiv:1203.2771



Examined  
IAM E: no resonance  
IAM G: vector  $m_v = 0.6$  TeV  
IAM J: scalar+vector,  $m_s = m_v = 1$  TeV

$2jW+W^- \rightarrow 2j2l2\nu$

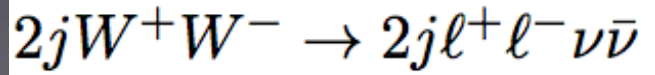
$2j3l\nu$

$4j\nu$

all channels can be combined

Cut-based preliminary study at parton level

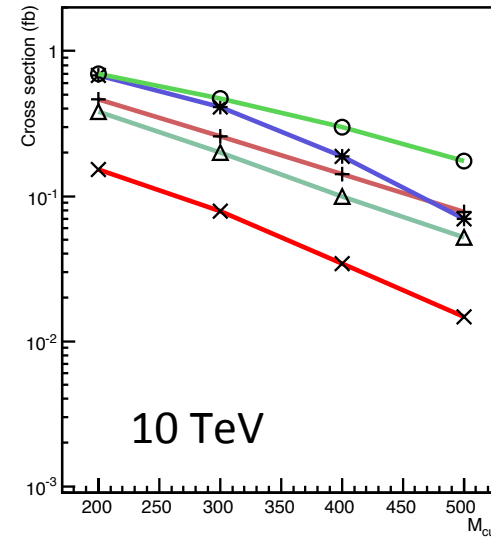
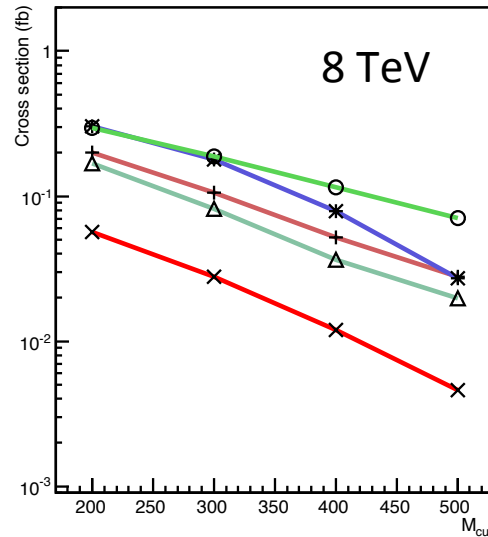
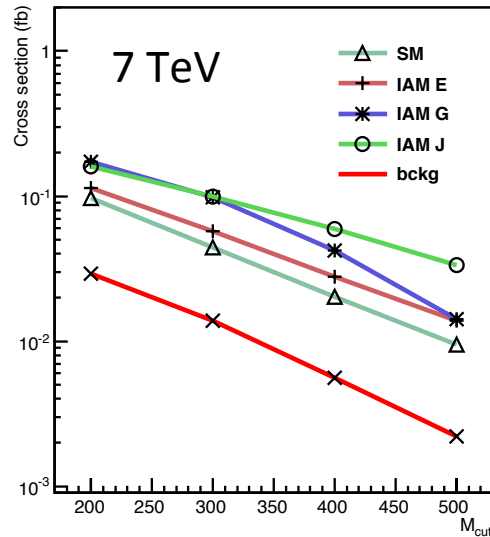
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Cross section in fb

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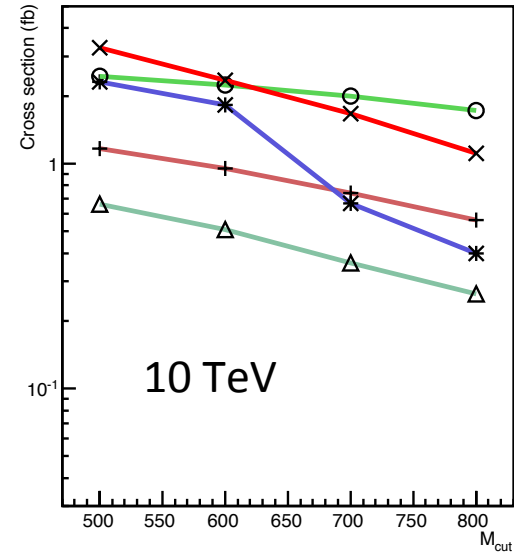
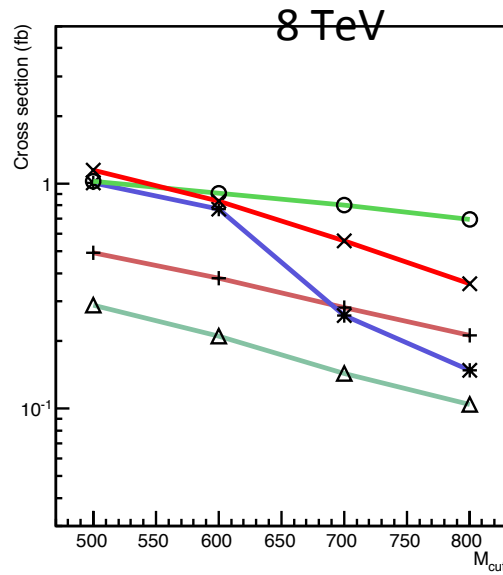
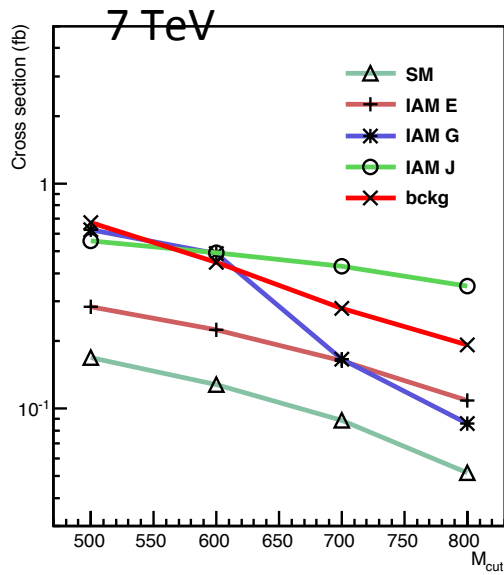
PBSM95%CL

	IAM E			IAM G			IAM J		
L\E	7	8	10	7	8	10	7	8	10
25	8.47 <sup>a</sup>	10.44 <sup>b</sup>	14.23 <sup>a</sup>	24.41 <sup>a</sup>	36.49 <sup>a</sup>	51.83 <sup>a</sup>	27.17 <sup>b</sup>	42.69 <sup>b</sup>	65.68 <sup>a</sup>
50	10.02 <sup>a</sup>	13.06 <sup>b</sup>	18.94 <sup>a</sup>	35.83 <sup>a</sup>	53.23 <sup>a</sup>	70.07 <sup>a</sup>	37.90 <sup>b</sup>	61.95 <sup>b</sup>	84.73 <sup>b</sup>
100	12.63 <sup>a</sup>	17.34 <sup>b</sup>	26.37 <sup>b</sup>	52.81 <sup>a</sup>	72.07 <sup>a</sup>	84.59 <sup>a</sup>	56.76 <sup>b</sup>	81.94 <sup>b</sup>	95.97 <sup>b</sup>
200	16.49 <sup>a</sup>	24.08 <sup>b</sup>	36.35 <sup>b</sup>	71.87 <sup>a</sup>	86.74 <sup>a</sup>	93.23 <sup>a</sup>	76.92 <sup>b</sup>	94.91 <sup>b</sup>	99.50 <sup>b</sup>

# 4jlv channel

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 $p_z(\nu)$  reconstructed  
 V+4j measured from sidebands

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50	22.70 <sup>a</sup>	27.88 <sup>a</sup>	51.56 <sup>b</sup>	89.14 <sup>a</sup>	91.68 <sup>a</sup>	99.12 <sup>a</sup>	91.55 <sup>d</sup>	95.62 <sup>d</sup>	99.99 <sup>d</sup>
100	33.51 <sup>a</sup>	41.08 <sup>a</sup>	69.28 <sup>c</sup>	97.85 <sup>a</sup>	98.54 <sup>a</sup>	99.97 <sup>a</sup>	98.89 <sup>d</sup>	99.66 <sup>e</sup>	100 <sup>d</sup>
200	48.25 <sup>b</sup>	57.08 <sup>a</sup>	83.44 <sup>c</sup>	99.87 <sup>a</sup>	99.93 <sup>a</sup>	100 <sup>a</sup>	99.97 <sup>d</sup>	100 <sup>d</sup>	100 <sup>d</sup>

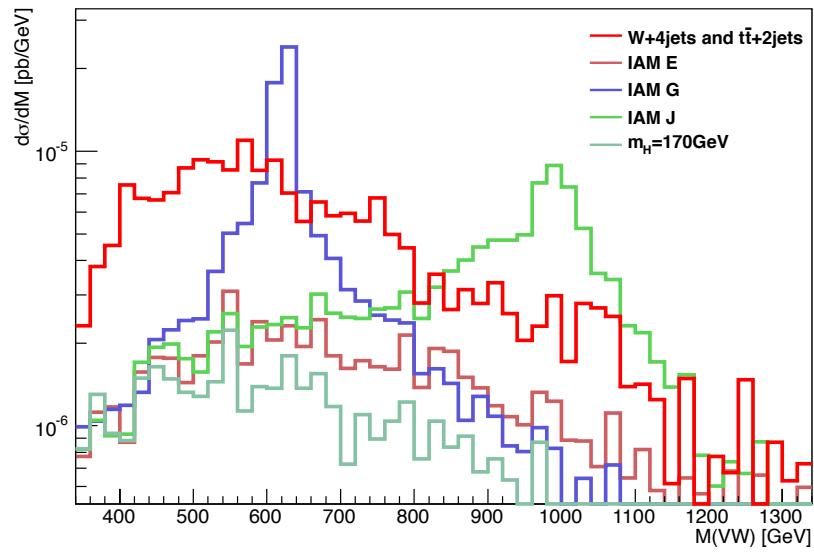


4jlv 10 TeV

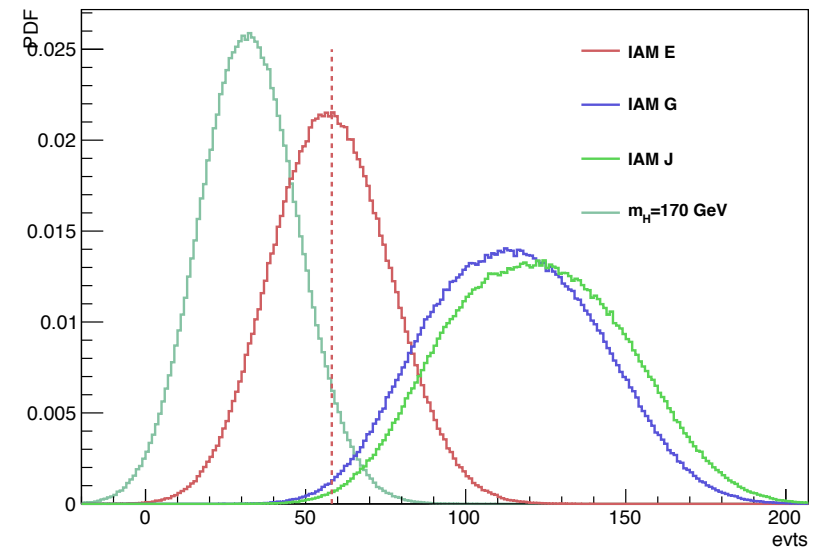
$M(VV) > 500 \text{ GeV}$

$L = 50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

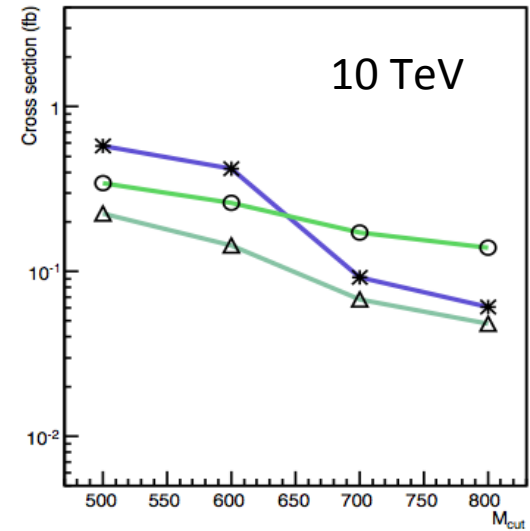
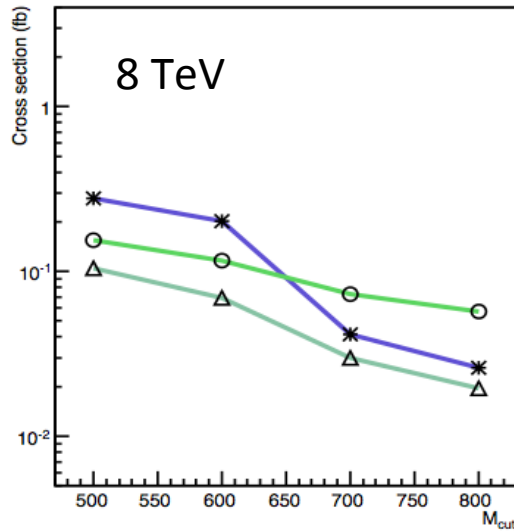
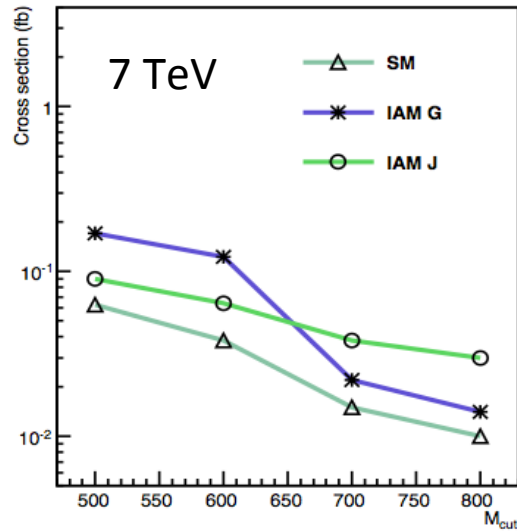
$M(VW)$



PDFs



# $3l\nu + 2j$ channel



PBSM95%CL

	IAM G			IAM J		
L\E	7	8	10	7	8	10
25	50.53 <sup>a</sup>	63.18 <sup>a</sup>	82.05 <sup>a</sup>	21.74 <sup>d</sup>	29.28 <sup>d</sup>	48.50 <sup>e</sup>
50	71.93 <sup>a</sup>	82.12 <sup>a</sup>	93.99 <sup>a</sup>	31.02 <sup>d</sup>	43.24 <sup>e</sup>	68.63 <sup>e</sup>
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200	97.09 <sup>b</sup>	98.94 <sup>b</sup>	99.95 <sup>b</sup>	63.63 <sup>e</sup>	82.62 <sup>e</sup>	96.56 <sup>e</sup>

## Conclusions

- Whether the Higgs is found or not, VV scattering needs to be explored
- At 14 TeV the outlook is promising
- At 8 TeV some models are within reach, others are not.  
Depending on the unitarization scheme limits on  $\alpha_4$  and  $\alpha_5$  could be derived



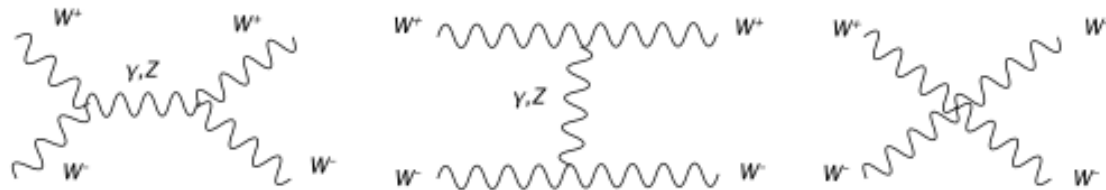
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# WW scattering and Unitarity

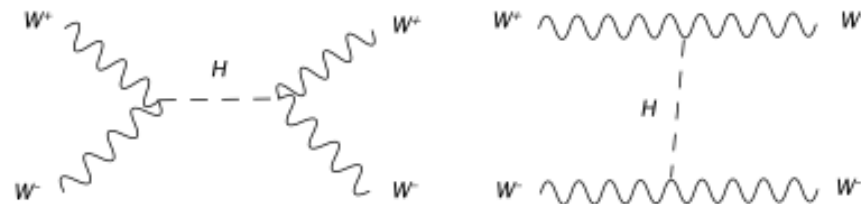
$$\epsilon_T = \left( 0; \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 \right) \quad \epsilon_L = \frac{1}{m_W} \left( |\vec{k}|; 0, 0, E_W \right) \quad \vec{k} // \hat{z}$$

FOR  $E_W \gg m_W$      $\epsilon_L^\mu \approx \frac{k^\mu}{m_W}$

$$\epsilon_{W^+}^L \cdot \epsilon_{W^-}^L \approx \frac{k_{W^+} \cdot k_{W^-}}{m_W^2} = \frac{s}{m_W^2} \longrightarrow D_i \propto \frac{k_{W^+} \cdot k_{W^-}}{m_W^2} \frac{k_{W^+} \cdot k_{W^-}}{m_W^2} = \frac{s^2}{m_W^4}$$



$\Sigma \propto s$   
**GAUGE!**



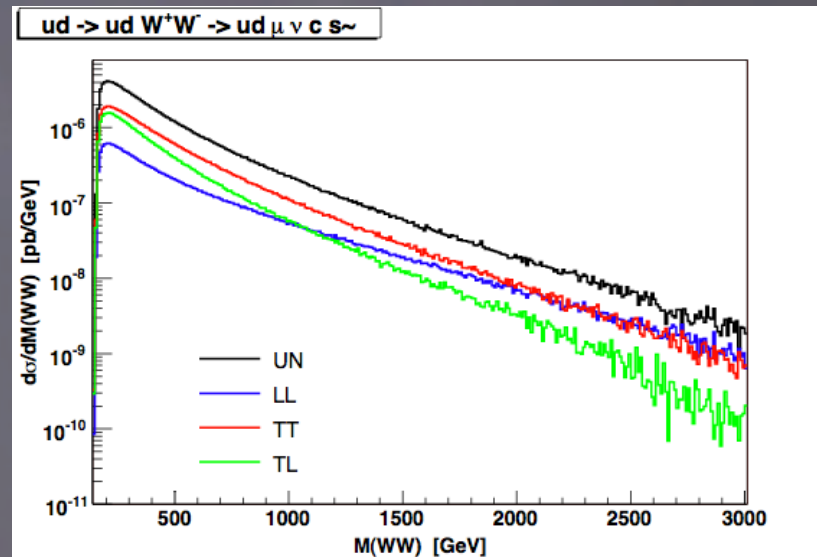
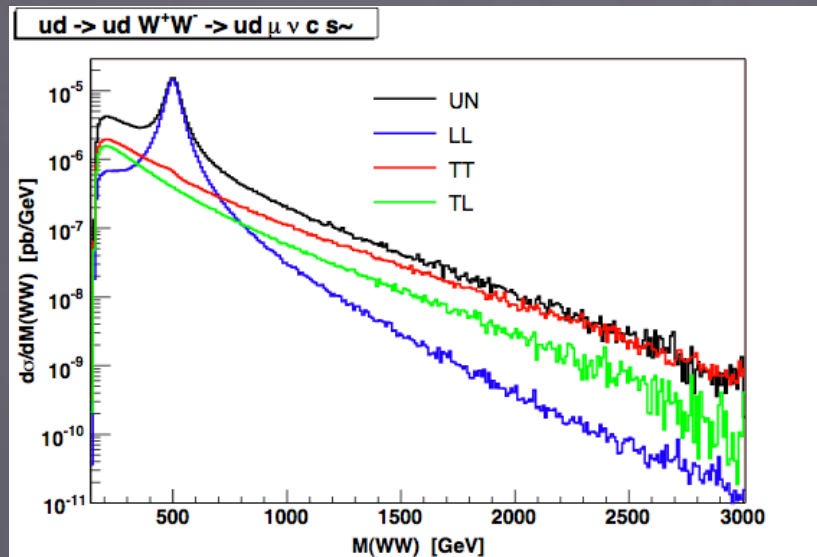
$\Sigma \propto s$

$$\Sigma_{all} \approx s^0$$

Fermion scattering processes  
violate unitarity at larger  $s$

## Properties of VBF

Contrary to what one expects LL do not dominate at high VV invariant mass



The decrease in the cross section at high invariant masses due to PDF suggests that careful analysis must be performed to evidence boson boson scattering effect

The invariant VV mass is the equivalent of the cm energy of the elastic VV scattering

Regions of the order of the TeV or higher in invariant mass must be examined for effects of alternative EWSB theories.

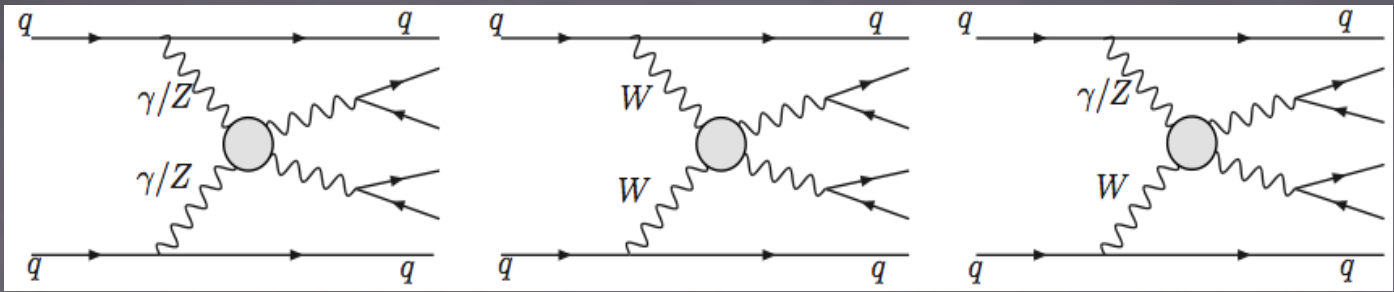
# PHANTOM

Ballestrero, Belhouari, Bevilacqua, Kashkan, EM  
Comp. Phys. Comm. 180 (2009) 401, arXiv:0801.3359

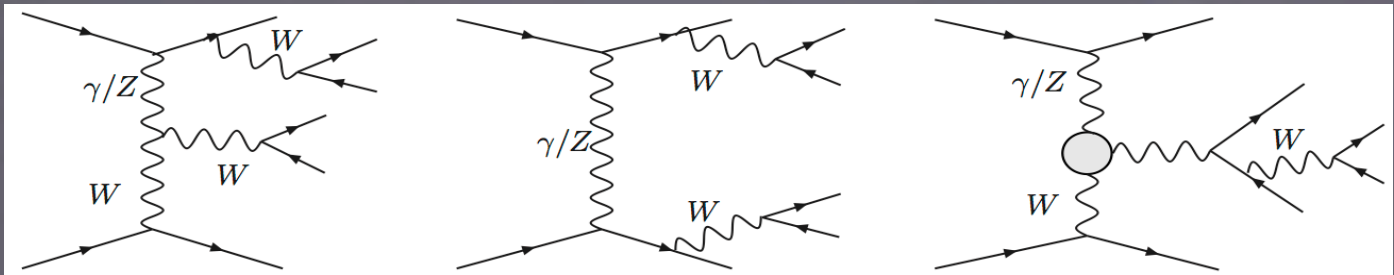
- Tree level dedicated event (LHA Format) generator
- Complete  $2 \rightarrow 6$   $O(\alpha^6) + O(\alpha^4 \alpha_s^2)$  matrix elements
- p-p, p-pbar, e+e-
- Exact matrix elements. No production  $\otimes$  decay or EVBA
- Fast
- One-shot: generates unweighted events for all processes simultaneously
- Efficient: good mapping of phase-space: Multichannel + Vegas



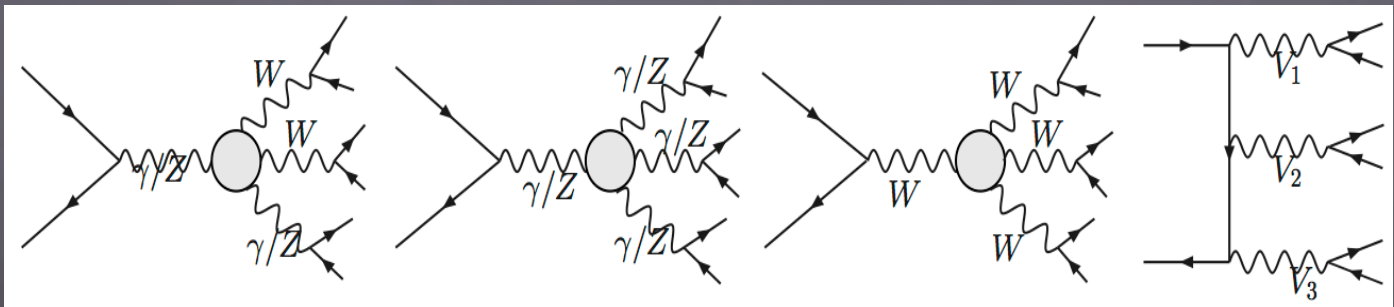
# What's inside PHANTOM: EW



VV scattering



Non scattering 2res.  
Single resonant ...

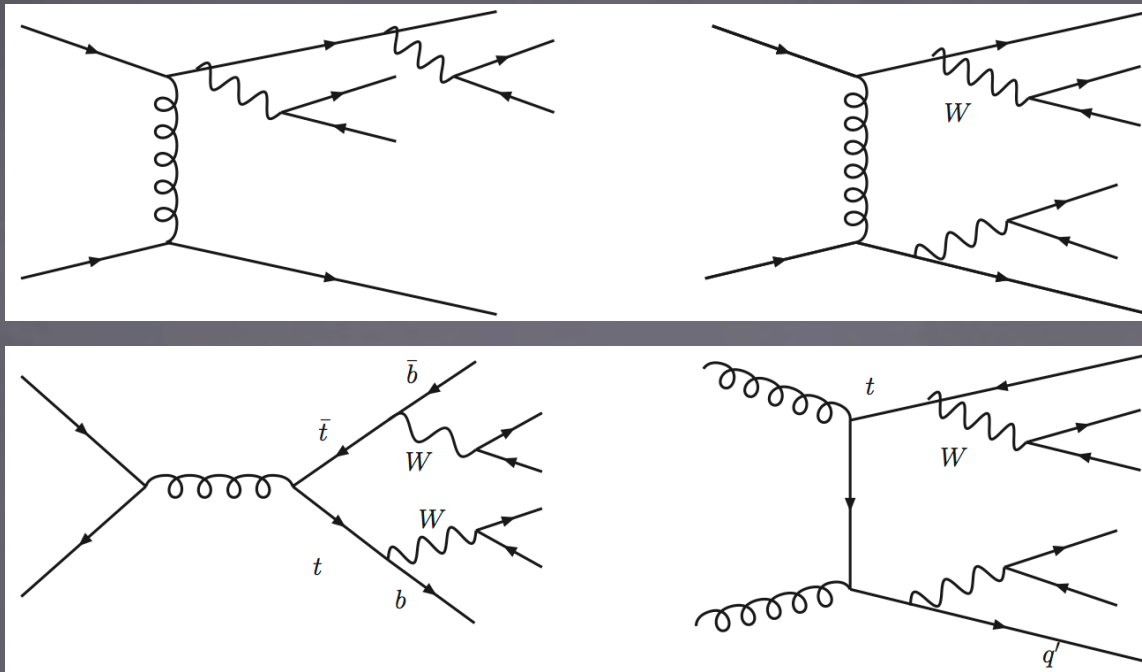


3VB production

FULL GAUGE INVARIANT SET: EXTREME CARE IS NECESSARY IF ANY DIAGRAM IS NEGLECTED  
LARGE CANCELLATIONS AMONG GROUPS OF DIAGRAMS

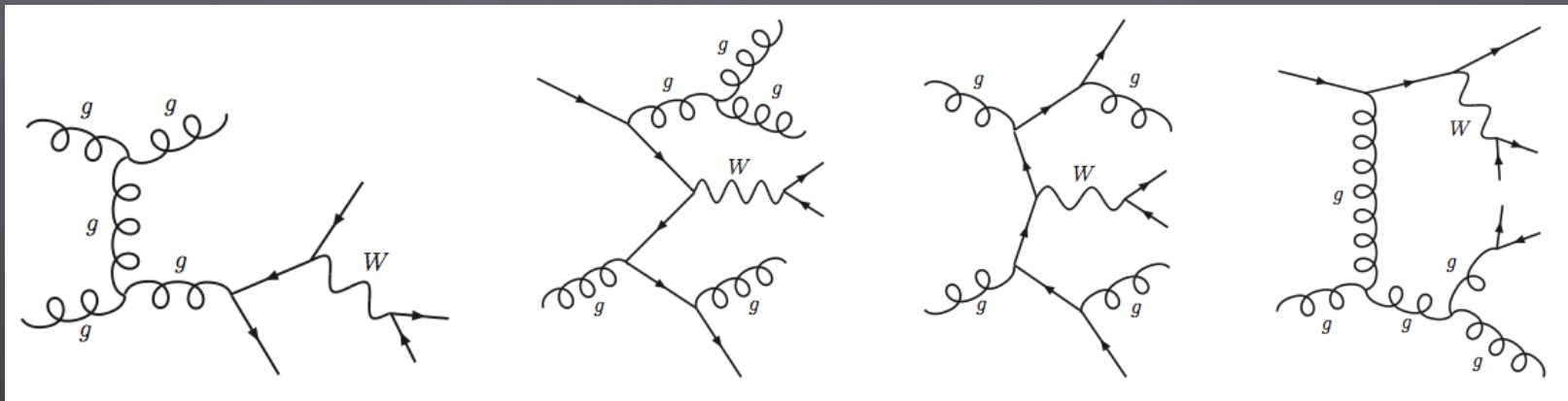


What's inside PHANTOM:  $EW \oplus QCD(\alpha_s^2)$



One gluon exchange  
Two external gluons  
(e.g toptop with full decays)

What is NOT inside PHANTOM:  $EW \oplus QCD(\alpha_s^4)$  Use MADEVENT



QCD  
 $V+4j$

# Cuts@14 TeV

## Basic Cuts

$p_T(\ell^\pm) > 20 \text{ GeV}$
$ \eta(\ell^\pm)  < 3.0$
$M(\ell^+\ell^-) > 20 \text{ GeV}$
$M(\ell^+\ell^-) > 250 \text{ GeV} \quad (2jW^+W^-)$
$76 \text{ GeV} < M(\ell^+\ell^-) < 106 \text{ GeV} \quad (2jZZ)$
$p_T(j) > 30 \text{ GeV}$
$ \eta(j)  < 6.5$
$M(jj) > 60 \text{ GeV}$
$M(j_f j_b) < 70 \text{ GeV}; M(j_f j_b) > 100 \text{ GeV}$
$ \Delta\eta(jj)  > 3.0 \quad (2j2\ell2\nu)$
$ \Delta\eta(j_f j_b)  > 4.0 \quad (2j4\ell, 4j\ell\nu, 4j\ell\ell)$
$ M(jjj) - M_{\text{top}}  > 15 \text{ GeV} \quad (4j\ell\nu, 4j\ell\ell)$
$ M(j\ell\nu_{\text{rec}}) - M_{\text{top}}  > 15 \text{ GeV} \quad (3\ell\nu + 2j, 4j\ell\nu)$
$70 \text{ GeV} < M(j_c j_c) < 100 \text{ GeV} \quad (4j\ell\nu, 4j\ell\ell)$
$\Delta R(jj) > 0.3 \quad (4j\ell\nu, 4j\ell\ell)$

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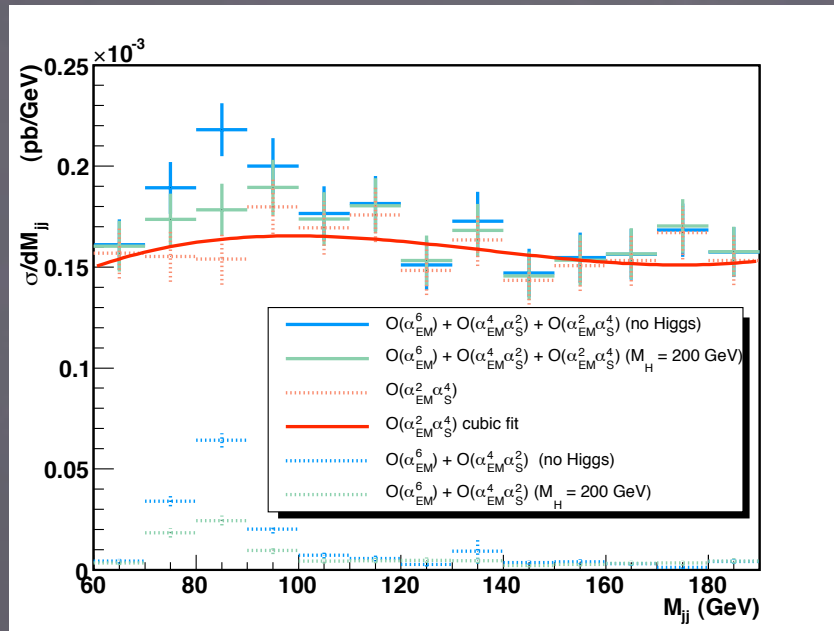
Processes	$2j\ell^+\ell'^-\nu\bar{\nu}$ ( $W^+W^-$ )	$2j\ell^+\ell^-\nu\bar{\nu}$ ( $ZZ$ )	$2j\ell^\pm\nu\ell^\pm\nu$	$4j\ell\nu$	$4j\ell\ell$	$2j3\ell\nu$	$2j4\ell\nu$
Cuts							
$ \eta(\ell^\pm)  <$	2.0			2.0		2.0	
$M(j_f j_b) >$	1000	800		1000	1000	1000	800
$ \Delta\eta(j_f j_b)  >$	4.8	4.5	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.8	
$p_T(j_c) >$				70	60		
$p_T(j_c j_c) >$					200		
$p_T(\ell\nu) >$				200		200	
$p_{T\text{miss}} >$		120		100			
$p_T(\ell^+\ell^-) >$		120			200	200	100
$p_T(\ell) >$			50				
$2\text{min}p_T(j) <$			120				
$E(j) >$	180						
$\text{max} \eta(j)  >$	2.5		2.5		2.8		
$ \eta(j)  >$	1.3	1.9				1.2	
$ \Delta\eta(Vj)  >$				0.6	1.1	1.5	
$\Delta\eta(\ell j) >$	0.8	1.3					
$\Delta R(\ell j) >$	1		1.5				
$\Delta R(Zj) >$							1
$M(\ell j) >$	180						
$M(Vj) >$					300		
$ \vec{p}_T(\ell_1) - \vec{p}_T(\ell_2)  >$	220		150				
$ \vec{p}_T(\ell^+\ell^-) - \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}  >$		290					
$\cos(\delta\phi_{\ell\ell}) <$	-0.6		-0.6				
$\cos(\delta\phi_{ZZ}) <$							-0.4
$\Delta R(\ell^+\ell^-) <$					1.0		

## Cuts@7-10 TeV

$p_T(j) > 30 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T(\ell) > 70/70/20 \text{ GeV}$
$p_T^{miss} > 70/20/20 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T(j_c) > 70 \text{ GeV}$
$\eta(j) < 6.5$	$\eta(\ell) < 2/2/3$
$\Delta\eta(j_f j_b) > 4/4/3$	$\Delta\eta(V_{rec} j) > 0.6$
$\Delta R(jj) > 0.3$	$M(\ell\ell) > 20 \text{ GeV}$
$M(jj) > 60 \text{ GeV}$	$M(j_f j_b) > 700/600/100 \text{ GeV}$
$p_T(V_{rec}) > 70/100 \text{ GeV}$	$ M(V_{rec} j) - M_{TOP}  > 15 \text{ GeV}$
$M(j\ell) > 180 \text{ GeV}$	$ p_T(\ell^+) - p_T(\ell^-)  > 100 \text{ GeV}$

**Table 1.** Kinematical cuts applied on the analysis. Different values correspond to different channels in the order  $4j\ell\nu$ ,  $2j\ell\ell\nu$  and  $2j3\ell\nu$ .  $j_f, j_b$  refer to the most forward and most backward of the jets.  $j_c$  indicates one of the central jets in the  $4j\ell\nu$  channel.  $V_{rec}$  stands for the boson which is reconstructed from the lepton and neutrino momenta, the latter obtained from the requirement that  $(p_\ell + p_\nu)^2 = M_W^2$  and is meaningful only for  $4j\ell\nu$  and  $2j3\ell\nu$ . The constraints on the last line apply only to the  $2j\ell\ell\nu$  channel.

# Background fitting from sidebands



→ No NLO, pdf uncertainty

## Benchmark comparisons to the SM performed for two scenarios: no-higgs and Silh

### ✓ no-higgs :

model independent representative at LHC of Strongly Interacting Theories

- One expects predictions similar to those of SIT at LHC:
  - slightly higher than theories with no resonances below 2TeV
  - lower than those with lower mass resonant states
- Pdf strongly depress high VV invariant mass where its predictions are higher than unitary theories
- The No higgs prescription is gauge invariant: corresponds to  $m_H \rightarrow \infty$   
It is however not a consistent theory

### ✓ Silh:

We have chosen Silh (Strongly Interacting Light Higgs) with  $\xi_{c_H}=1$  as representative of the upper limit of model independent lagrangian description of these theories

- The main effect for these processes is the variation of the higgs coupling that correspond to a redefinition of higgs propagator.
- Cancellations are only partial and the model violates unitarity
- The onset of the violation is postponed to a higher scale than in SM

$$\frac{1}{p^2 - m_H^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + \xi_{c_H}} \frac{1}{p^2 - m_H^2}$$