

PROJECT

RESEARCH AREA

Study of the **low mass Higgs boson** and search for **heavy Higgs boson** in the WW channel

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*Observation of the Higgs Boson and Measurement of
Its Properties in the $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$ Channel
Couplings/Spin/Width*



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1 INTRODUCTION

2 HIGGS OBSERVATION

⇒ ArXiv 1412.2641 (accepted by PRD)

- Improvements w.r.t Moridon 2013
- Latest Results

3 HIGGS SPIN

⇒ ArXiv 1503.03643 (submitted to EPJC)

- Candidate spin models
- Details of the analysis
- Exclusion limits

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- Upper limits and Higgs width

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MOTIVATION

HIGGS OBSERVATION

- **Higgs discovery** in 2012 [1, 2]
combination of 3 decay channels: WW^* , ZZ^* , and $\gamma\gamma$
- SM Higgs ? \Rightarrow direct observation in individual channels

PROPERTY MEASUREMENTS

- Properties: mass, couplings, **spin**, CP, **width**
- Further confirmation of SM Higgs

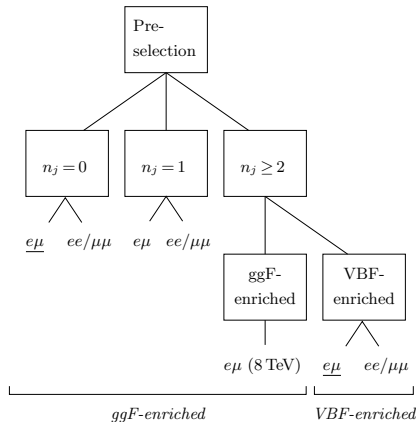
REMINDER OF THE $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$ CHANNEL

FEATURES

- Large branching ratio
- 2 energetic leptons
- Large missing energy

EVENT CATEGORIZATION

- Same/different lepton flavors: SF/DF
- Jet multiplicity: $n_j = 0$, $n_j = 1$, $n_j \geq 2$



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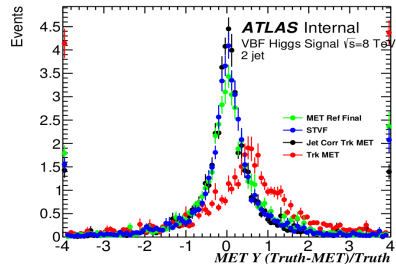
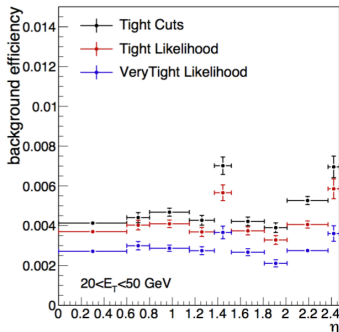
IMPROVED OBJECTS DEFINITION

ELECTRON IDENTIFICATION

- Cut-based → Likelihood:
- Same efficiency
- **Larger fake rejection**

TRACK-BASED E_T^{miss}

- Jet energy from calo
- Robust against pile-up
- **Better resolution**



INCREASED SIGNAL ACCEPTANCE

LOOSENED CUTS

LOWER SUB-LEADING p_T^ℓ

- 15 GeV \rightarrow 10 GeV
- Improved fake suppression in low- p_T region
- Acceptance +75%(50%) in $n_j = 0$ $n_j = 1$

LOWER LEADING p_T^ℓ

- 25 GeV \rightarrow 22 GeV
- Add dilepton trigger
- Final efficiency + \sim 8% in DF

OTHERS

- $m_{\ell\ell}$ upper bound: 50 \rightarrow 55 GeV: +1.5% Z_0
- ggF-enriched $n_j \geq 2$ analysis added: +3.8% Z_0

Overall combined efficiency: **5.3% \rightarrow 10.2%**

REDUCED SYSTEMATICS

METHODS IMPROVED → LESS UNCERTAINTY

SIGNAL

- ggF Jet binning uncertainty: ST-method → JVE method
- 18% → 15%, 43 → 27%, 70% → 34% for $n_j = 0$, $n_j = 1$, $n_j \geq 2$

TOP QUARK

- $n_j = 0$, improved theo. uncert.: 10% → 5%
- $n_j = 1$, improved method: 9.9% → 4.2%

WJETS/DIJET

- improved fake factor estimation

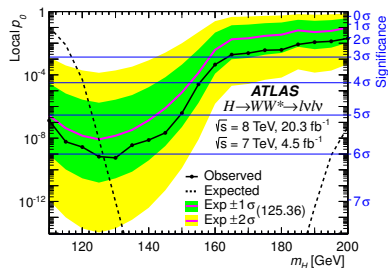
OTHERS

- MC → data-driven for WZ/ZZ/W γ^* : +4.5% Z_0

SIGNAL SIGNIFICANCES

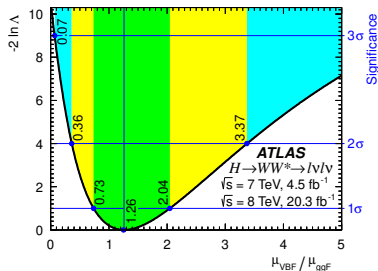
GGF+VBF SIGNALS

- Local p_0 value
- Obs. (exp.) **6.1(5.8) σ**
- Moriond: **3.8(3.7) σ**



VBF SIGNAL ONLY

- Likelihood scan
- Obs. (exp.) **3.2(2.7) σ**
- Moriond: **2.5(1.6) σ**



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CANDIDATE SPIN MODELS

SPIN 0

Standard Model

SPIN 1

Disfavored

- Observed $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decay (Landau-Yang theorem) [3, 4]
- >99% C.L. (previous analysis [5])

SPIN 2

Many possibilities \Rightarrow test the simplest in an **EFT approach**

- Universal couplings, $\kappa_g = \kappa_q$, g (q) for gluon (quark).
- Non-universal, $\kappa_g = 1$, $\kappa_q = 0$ and $\kappa_g = 0.5$, $\kappa_q = 1$.
- Each non-universal \Rightarrow Higgs p_T cutoff @125 or 300.

ANALYSIS OVERVIEW

EVENT SELECTION

Follows Higgs Observation

- *Inherited*: high p_T^ℓ , large E_T^{miss} , no b -jet ...
- *Loosened*: $m_{\ell\ell}$, $\Delta\phi_{\ell\ell}$... (signal topologies)
- *Added*: $p_T^H < 125$ or 300 GeV for non-universals

BACKGROUND (BKG)

- Mainly WW , top , Z jets($Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$), and W jets(+dijet)
- Estimated by extrapolation from CRs to SRs

SYSTEMATICS

- Model uncertainties dominate
- BKGs: $WW \sim 3\%$, W jets $\sim 2\%$, Z jets $\sim 1\%$ (limits)

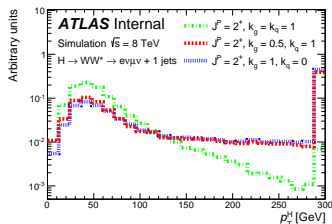
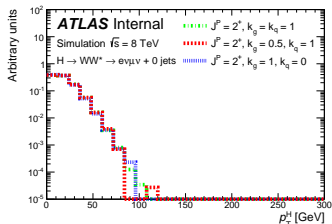
INCLUSION OF 1JET EVENTS

PREVIOUS MEASUREMENT

Only **0jet** events with DF used, for they give much more sensitivity to signals than others do

MOTIVATION FOR INCLUDING 1JET EVENTS

- Add more signal sensitivity (naturally)
- Model-dependent Higgs p_T tail only in non-0jet events



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BDT TECHNIQUE

DEFINITION

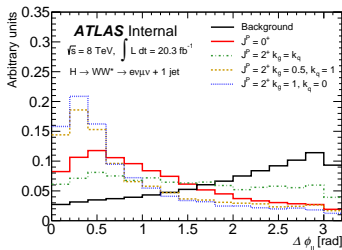
Boosted decision tree \in machine learning: algorithm trained from example inputs to make decision

INPUTS

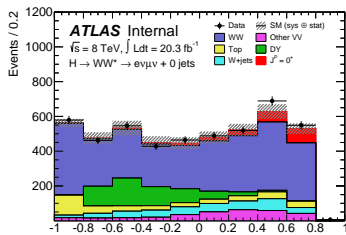
- Discriminating power
- $m_{\ell\ell}$, $\Delta\phi_{\ell\ell}$, $p_T^{\ell\ell}$, and m_T

BDTs

- One BDT for one spin model (6)
- High (Low) score \rightarrow signal(BKG)-like



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BDT₀

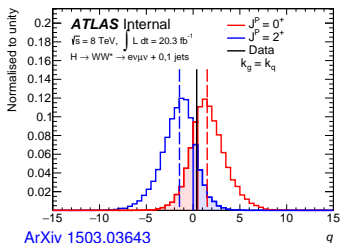
EXCLUSION LIMITS

STATISTICAL TEST

- Test $q = \ln \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{Spin}0}}{\mathcal{L}_{\text{Spin}2}}$, positive (negative) $q \rightarrow \text{Spin-}0(2)$
- 5 spin-2 models \rightarrow 5 tests

EXCLUSION LIMITS

- CLs estimator $\text{CLs} = \frac{p_{\text{Spin}2}}{1 - p_{\text{Spin}0}} \rightarrow \text{exclusion C.L.} = 1 - \text{CLs}$
- $p_{\text{Spin}0}(p_{\text{Spin}2}) = A_{\text{Red}}(A_{\text{Blue}})$, area left (right) to the black line



Spin-2 Models	1-CLs(%)
$k_g = \kappa_q$	84.5
$k_g = 0.5, \kappa_q = 1, p_T^H < 125$	97.8
$k_g = 0.5, \kappa_q = 1, p_T^H < 300$	99.3
$k_g = 1, \kappa_q = 0, p_T^H < 125$	92.5
$k_g = 1, \kappa_q = 0, p_T^H < 300$	99.4

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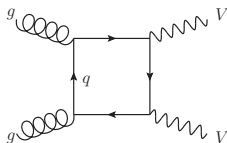
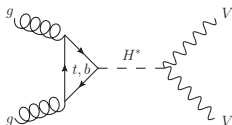
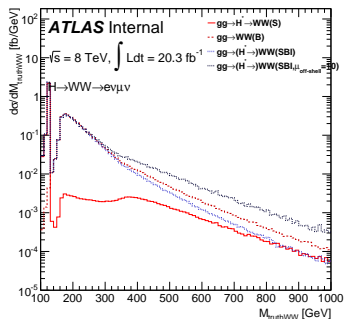
HIGH MASS REGION

OFF-SHELL HIGGS

Enhanced xsection after $2m_W(2m_{top}) \rightarrow$ off-shell measurement

NON-RESONANT WW AND INTERFERENCE

$gg(VBF) WW \rightarrow$ negative interfere with $ggF(VBF)$ Higgs

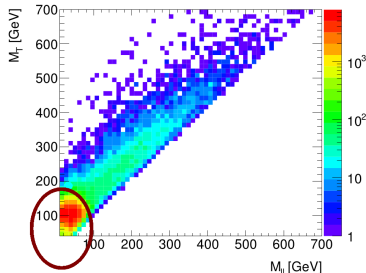


ANALYSIS OVERVIEW

EVENT SELECTION

Guiding principle: inclusive k -factor \rightarrow inclusive in terms of N_{jet}

- *Inherited*: high p_T^ℓ , large E_T^{miss} , no b -jet ...
- *Added*: $\Delta\eta_{\ell\ell} < 1.2$, $R_8 = \sqrt{m_{\ell\ell}^2 + 0.8 \times m_T^2} > 450 \text{ GeV}$ (Opt.)



BACKGROUNDS

Top and $WW \rightarrow$ control regions

SYSTEMATICS

Mainly on modelling of gg S/B/I

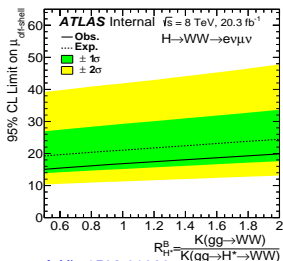
- PDF (20%) and QCD (20%)
- Additional QCD on B and I
- Higgs p_T ...

UPPER LIMITS ON OFF-SHELL COUPLINGS

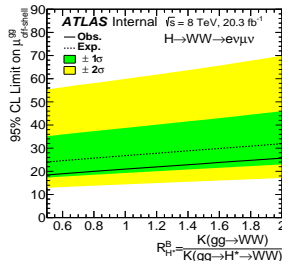
CLS ESTIMATOR

- Two interpretations: $\mu_{\text{off-shell}}^{\text{gg}} = \mu_{\text{off-shell}}^{\text{VBF}}$ and $\mu_{\text{off-shell}}^{\text{VBF}} = 1$
- Scan $K_{H^*}^B$ over $[0.5, 2]$ → cover possible bias

$K_{H^*}^B$	Obs. Limit			Exp. Limit		
	0.5	1.0	2.0	0.5	1.0	2.0
$\mu_{\text{off-shell}}$	15.6	17.2	20.3	19.6	21.3 ^{+8.6} _{-5.6}	24.7
$\mu_{\text{off-shell}}^{\text{gg}} (\mu_{\text{off-shell}}^{\text{VBF}} = 1)$	18.9	21.5	26.2	24.4	27.2 ^{+11.6} _{-7.8}	32.4



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HIGGS WIDTH

METHODOLOGY

Take ggH as example (VBF Higgs similar)

ON-SHELL XSECTION

$$\mu_{\text{on-shell}}^{\text{gg}} = \frac{\kappa_{\text{gg}H}^2 \cdot \kappa_{\text{HWW}}^2}{\Gamma_H / \Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}}$$

OFF-SHELL XSECTION

$$\mu_{\text{off-shell}}^{\text{gg}} = \kappa_{\text{gg}H}^2 \cdot \kappa_{\text{HWW}}^2$$

$R \equiv \Gamma_H / \Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}$: measured width normalized to SM width

$R = \mu_{\text{off-shell}}^{\text{gg}} / \mu_{\text{on-shell}}^{\text{gg}}$, assuming $\kappa_{\text{on-shell}} = \kappa_{\text{off-shell}}$

⇒ Upper limits on Higgs width: $\sim 20 \times \Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}$, 2 orders of magnitude smaller than direct measurement using ZZ^* and $\gamma\gamma$

SUMMARY

Summary

- Higgs **observed alone** in $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$ channel.
Evidence for VBF mode also established
- Data supports **spin-0 Higgs** over spin-2 hypotheses
- Upper limits of **Higgs width** set to be $\sim 20 \times \Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}$

Future project(RUN II)

- Research interest will shift to **high mass Higgs** search

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ATLAS Collaboration

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CMS Collaboration

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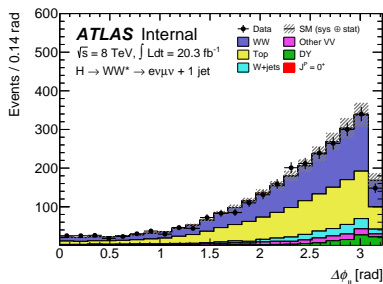
TOP BACKGROUND IN 1JET EVENTS

ESTIMATION

- Control region: $N_{bjet} \neq 0$
- Extrapolation: $N_{top}^i = N_{top}^{CR} \times \alpha_i$
 $i = \text{SR or WWCR}$

SYSTEMATICS

- Stat.: data population, $\sqrt{N_{top}^{CR}}$
- Exp.: b -tagging uncertainty
- Theo.: generator/UEPS, PDF



Sources	SR(%)	WWCR(%)
QCD scale	0.8	0.6
PDF	1.4	0.3
Generator	1.9	2.4
UEPS	2.4	2.0
Total	3.5	3.2

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gg S/B/I QCD SYSTEMATICS

NORMALIZATION

- S/B/I share same k^{H^*} → QCD correction (20%)
- only gg induced part $k_{gg}^{H^*}$ applied to B/I ([−11.8%, 15.9%])
- Bias of applying k^{H^*} to B/I → $K_{H^*}^B = \frac{k^B}{k_{gg}^{H^*}} \in [0.5, 2]$ (next page)
- Ansatz of interference uncertainty (30%)

SHAPE

- p_T^H reweighting: MCFM(LO) → Sherpa(NLO)
- $\max(\text{QCD variation}, 50\% \times \text{diff}(\text{MCFM}, \text{Sherpa})) \leq 2\%$