

SIMPLIFIED TEMPLATE CROSS SECTIONS: SENSITIVITY TO DIMENSION-6 INTERACTIONS AT THE LHC

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THE USE OF SIMPLIFIED TEMPLATE CROSS-SECTIONS (STXS) IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY POPULAR FOR LHC EXPERIMENTS

- THE AIM OF STXS IS TO BE A ROBUST INTERFACE BETWEEN EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS AND GLOBAL FITS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, OPTIMAL OBSERVABLES FOR A GIVEN (SET OF) EFFECTIVE FIELD THEORY OPERATOR(S) INVOLVE THE WHOLE EVENT KINEMATICS

- SOME INFORMATION MAY BE LOST WHEN PROJECTING ONTO THE STXS SPACE.

AS PART OF THE LES HOUCHES WORKSHOP WE SET UP AN EXERCISE WITH **TWO GOALS**

ASSESS THE **LOSS** OF INFORMATION COMING FROM THE USE OF **STXS VS FULL EFT INFORMATION**

CHECK FOR **MODEL DEPENDENCE** IN THE **STXS EXTRAPOLATION**

FOCUS ON ASSOCIATED ZH PRODUCTION

- STUDY THE EXPERIMENTAL SENSITIVITY TO ONE PARTICULAR DIM-6 OPERATOR

$$\mathcal{O}_{HW} = \frac{ig}{2\Lambda^2} [D^\mu \varphi^\dagger \sigma_k D^\nu \varphi] W_{\mu\nu}^k$$

- LEP + RUN I BOUNDS ON THE WILSON COEFFICIENT

$$c_{HW} \equiv \frac{m_W^2}{\Lambda^2} C_{HW} \in [-0.07, 0.03] \text{ at 95\% C.L.}$$

- BENCHMARKS $c_{HW} = \pm 0.03$ and ± 0.01

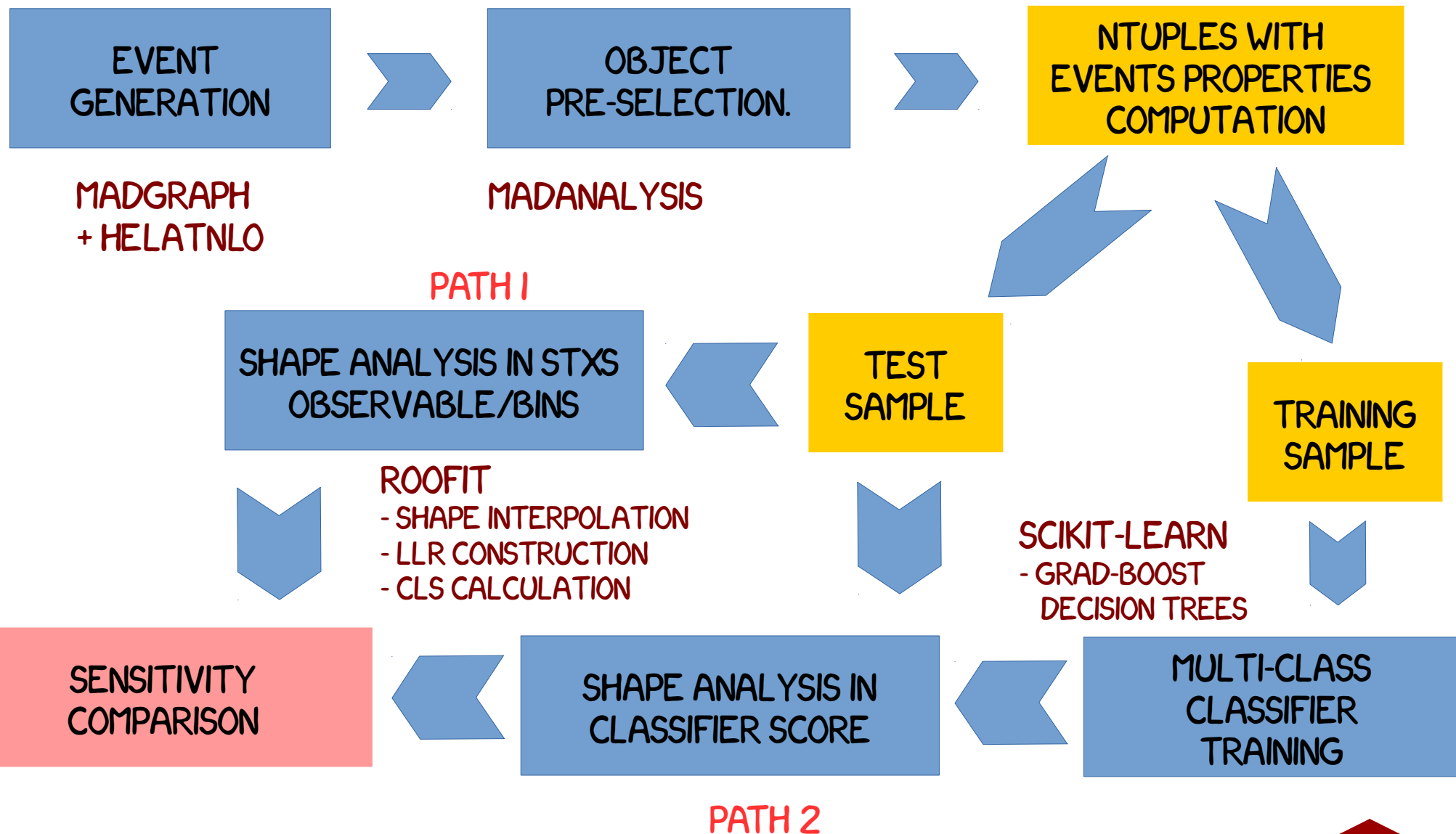
PERFORM A MOCK-UP EXPERIMENTAL ANALYSIS

- CONSIDERED THREE CONTRIBUTIONS:
 - ASSOCIATED ZBB PRODUCTION
 - SM ZH(BB) PRODUCTION
 - BSM ZH(BB) PRODUCTION
- GENERATED AT LO USING MADGRAPG5_AMC@NLO, AND THE HELATNLO [1] FEYNRULES MODEL AND ANALYZED WITH MADANALYSIS.

COMPARED TWO PATHS

- PATH 1: KINEMATIC DISCRIMINANT FOR SM ZH(BB) VS ZBB PRODUCTION + STXS
- PATH 2: KINEMATIC DISCRIMINANT FOR SM ZH(BB) VS BSM ZH(BB) VS ZBB PRODUCTION
- KIN DISCRIMINANTS APPROXIMATED WITH BOOSTED DECISION TREES.

[1] De Grande et al., EPJC77 no. 4 (2017)



ROUGHLY 400K EVENTS PER PROCESS GENERATED (IN FID. PHASE SPACE)

- NORM. CROSS SECTIONS COMPUTED WITH MG5_AMC@NLO + EHDECAY + ROSETTA

$pp \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell^+\ell^-$	$\sigma_{\text{fid.}} [fb]$
ZH SM	2.72
ZH $c_{HW} = 0.03$	3.64
ZH $c_{HW} = -0.03$	2.21
ZH $c_{HW} = 0.01$	3.38
ZH $c_{HW} = -0.01$	2.50
Z $b\bar{b}$ SM	291.3

Fid. phase space

$p_T(\text{jet}) > 20 \text{ GeV}$ $|\eta| < 2.5$

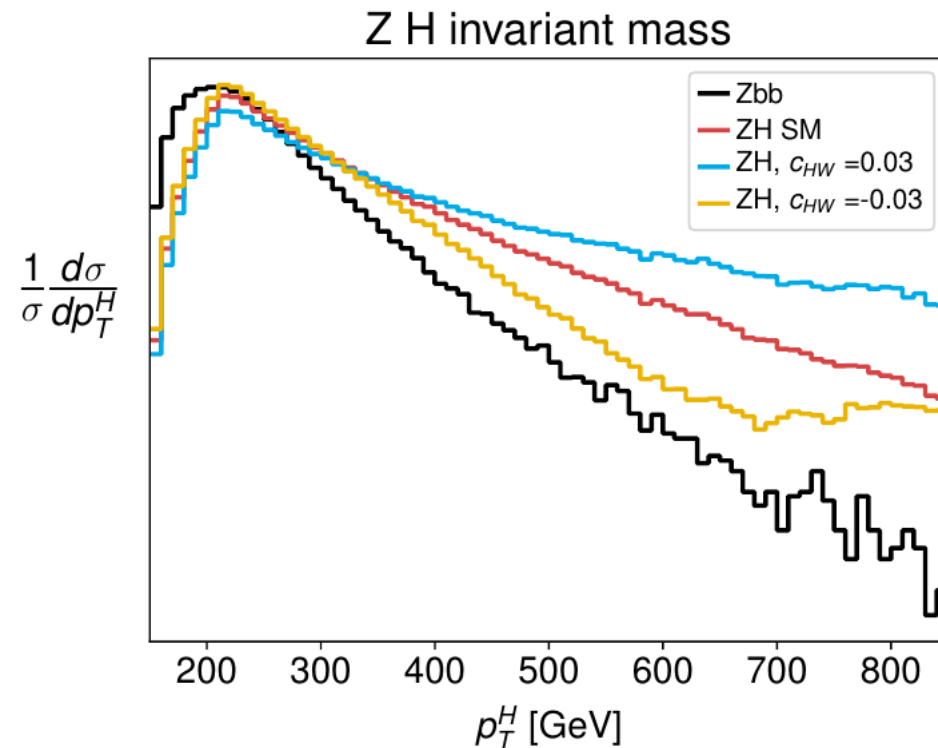
$p_T(\text{lep}) > 25 \text{ GeV}$ $|\eta| < 2.5$

$n(\text{lep}) = 2$

$n(\text{bjets}) = 2$ ($\epsilon(\text{btag}) = 0.7$)

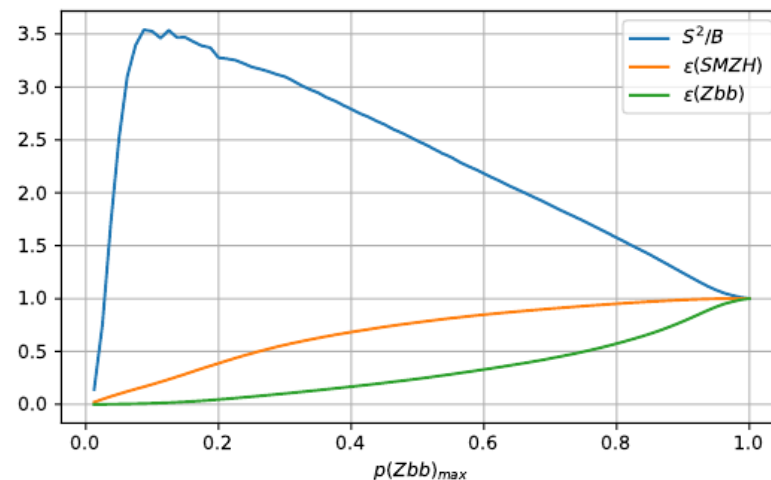
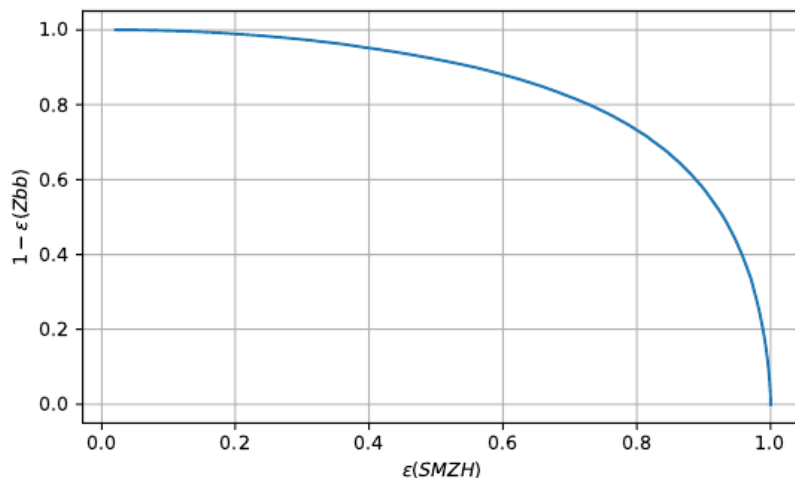
$75 < M_{ll} < 105$

$60 < M_{bb} < 140$



KINEMATIC DISCRIMINANT TRAINED WITH BOOSTED DECISION TREES

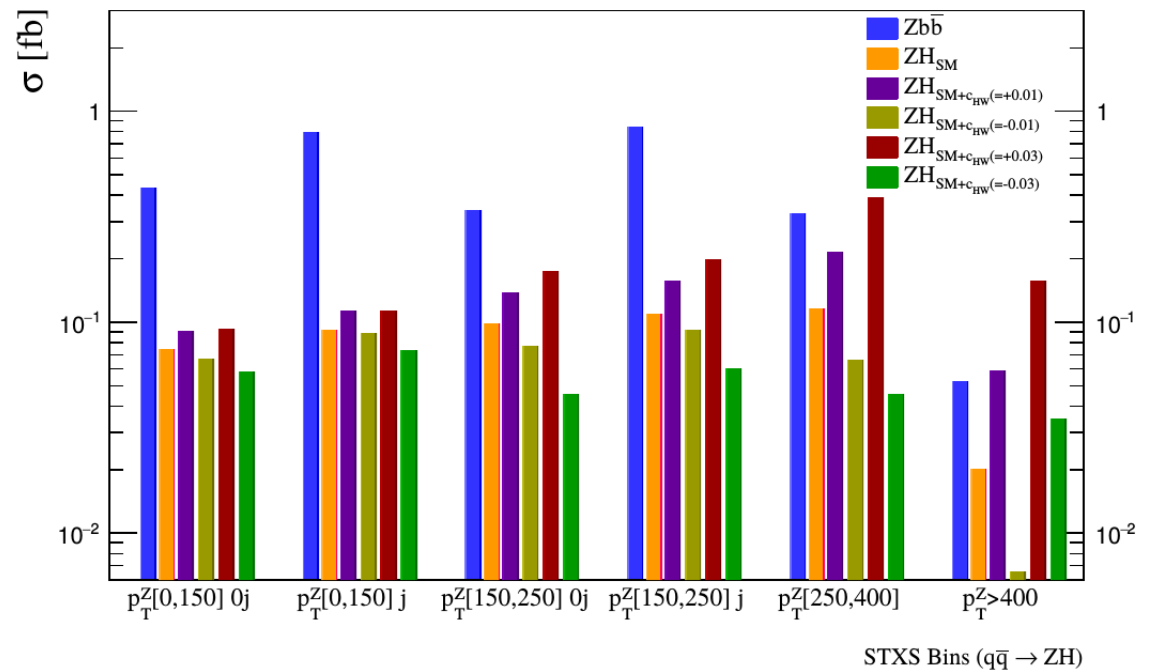
- BDT SHOULD PROVIDE A REASONABLE APPROXIMATION OF THE “OPTIMAL OBSERVABLES”, GIVEN THE TRAINING STATISTICS.
- 75% EVENT USED FOR TRAINING 25% RESERVED FOR ANALYSIS STEP.
- **5 DISCRIMINANTS TRAINED**
 - **STXS ANALYSIS: 2-CLASS BDT ZBB VS SM VH DISCRIMINANT**
 - FOR EACH **BENCHMARK: 3-CLASS BDT ZBB VS SM VH VS BSM VH**
 - SELECTION CUT OPTIMIZED TO REJECT ZBB BACKGROUND.



STAGE 1 AND STAGE 2 STXS BINNING IMPLEMENTED

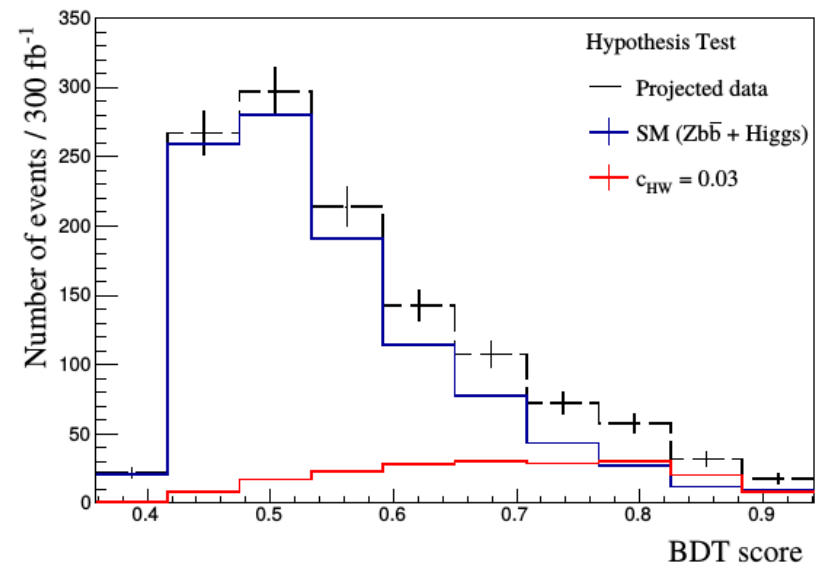
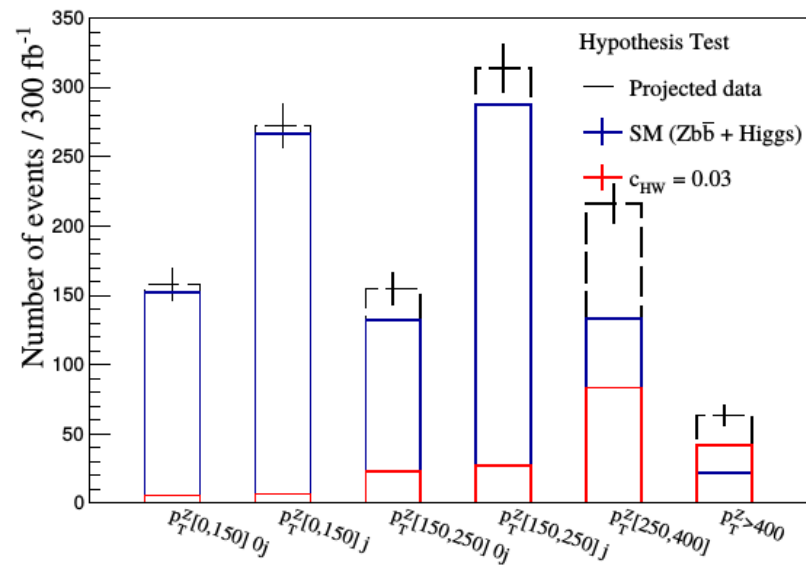
- EVENTS BINNED AFTER ZBB REJECTION CUTS (AS IT WOULD BE DONE BY THE EXPERIMENTS).
- LARGE EFFICIENCY DIFFERENCE FOR DIFFERENT BENCHMARKS (BUT MUCH REDUCED WHEN RESTRICTED TO SINGLE BINS)

SAMPLE	SEL. EFFICIENCY
Zbb	<0.01
SM VH	0.19
$C_{HW} = 0.03$	0.31
$C_{HW} = -0.03$	0.14
$C_{HW} = 0.01$	0.23
$C_{HW} = -0.01$	0.16



TO ASSESS SENSITIVITY TO BSM SCENARIOS RUN 2-HYPOTESYS TEST FOR ZBB+SM ZH VS ZBB+BSM

- FOR STXS ANALYSES:
 - REJECT ZBB, BIN IN STXS BINS
- FOR BDT ANALYSES:
 - REJECT ZBB, BIN IN SM VS BSM BDT OUTPUT



LOSS IN SENSITIVITY DUE TO STXS PROJECTION

- ROUGHLY $\sim 10\%$ FOR SCENARIOS FAR FROM SM
- FOR SCENARIOS CLOSE TO THE SM LOSS IS AS LARGE AS 30-50%

Hypothesis test	Full Run-2 (150 fb^{-1})	LHC Run-3 (300 fb^{-1})	HL-LHC (3000 fb^{-1})
STXS: Higgs discovery	3.01	3.70	8.06
STXS: $c_{HW} = 0.03$	6.44	8.82	26.46
STXS: $c_{HW} = -0.03$	1.66	2.24	6.44
BDT: $c_{HW} = 0.03$ (STXS SM-acceptance)	6.29	8.58	25.61
BDT: $c_{HW} = -0.03$ (STXS SM-acceptance)	1.80	2.44	7.24
STXS: $c_{HW} = 0.01$	2.26	3.04	8.78
STXS: $c_{HW} = -0.01$	1.08	1.46	4.30
BDT: $c_{HW} = 0.01$	2.62	3.07	8.90
BDT: $c_{HW} = -0.01$	1.44	1.99	6.10

• CAVEATS

- NO MODELLING UNCERTAINTIES CONSIDERED
- BDT MAY STILL BE SUBOPTIMAL WRT THE OPTIMAL OBSERVABLES DUE TO FINITE STATISTICS OF THE TRAINING SAMPLE AND INPUT VARIABLE CHOICE

ASSESSED LOSS OF INFORMATION IN STXS FOR DIM-6 OPERATORS CONSTRAINTS

BENCHMARKED VH PRODUCTION UNDER ANOMALOUS HW COUPLING, IE A $2 \rightarrow 2$ PROCESS

CONSTRUCTED AN ANALYSIS TO MOCH EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

STXS APPROACH SHOWS A 10-50% LOSS OF SENSITIVITY ON THE BENCHMARKS COMPARED TO A MULTIVARIATE ANALYSIS APPROACH

PLAN TO INVESTIGATE MORE COMPLICATED TOPOLOGIES (SUCH AS VBF PRODUCTION), WHICH MAY SUFFER FROM LARGER LOSSES.