

# Higgs Physics

## Revolution vs Evolution

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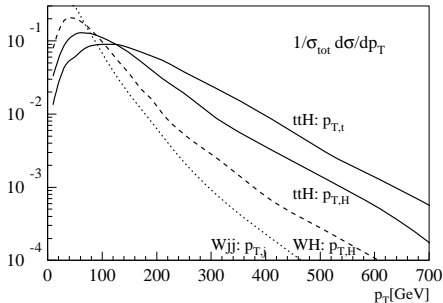
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jet definition	$\sigma_S/\text{fb}$	$\sigma_B/\text{fb}$	$S/\sqrt{B}_{30}$
C/A, $R = 1.2$ , MD-F	0.57	0.51	4.4
$k_{\perp}$ , $R = 1.0$ , $y_{\text{cut}}$	0.19	0.74	1.2
SISCone, $R = 0.8$	0.49	1.33	2.3

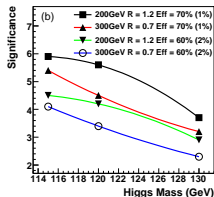
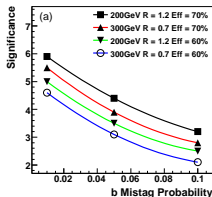
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## Results and checks

- combined channels  $V \rightarrow \ell\ell, \nu\nu, \ell\nu$
  - NLO rates [bbV notorious, not from data alone]
  - Z peak as sanity check
  - checked by Freiburg [Piquadio]
    - subjet  $b$  tag excellent [70%/1%]
    - charm rejection challenging
    - $m_H \pm 8$  GeV tough
- ⇒ **confirmed at 20% level**



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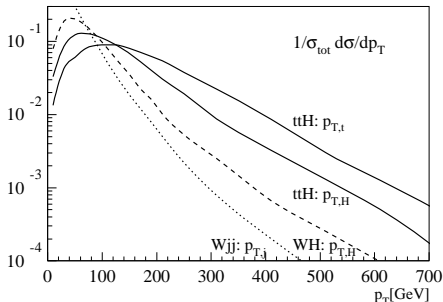
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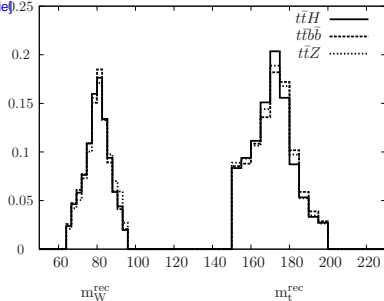
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- cool: fat Higgs jet + fat top jet + trigger lepton
- uncool: QCD activity [Dittmaier et al:  $K = 2.3$  for  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ ]

## Top tag [cf Johns Hopkins, Princeton, Washington, talk by Jessie] 0.25

- C/A algorithm [ $R = 1.5$ ]  
mass drop criterion
  - reconstruct  $m_W$  and  $m_t$   
cut on helicity angle
  - filtering against underlying event
  - efficiency 43%; mistag 5%
- ⇒ **working Standard Model top tag**



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- Higgs mass unknown  
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 three leading combinations vs  $m_{bb}$
- events in  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  [ $5.1\sigma$  for  $m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$  and  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ]

	signal	$t\bar{t}Z$	$t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	$t\bar{t}$ +jets
events after acceptance	24.1	6.9	191	4160
events with one top tag	10.2	2.9	70.4	1457
events with $m_{bb} = 110 - 130 \text{ GeV}$	2.9	0.44	12.6	116
corresponding to subjet pairings	3.2	0.47	13.8	121
subjet pairings two $b$ tags	1.0	0.08	2.3	1.4



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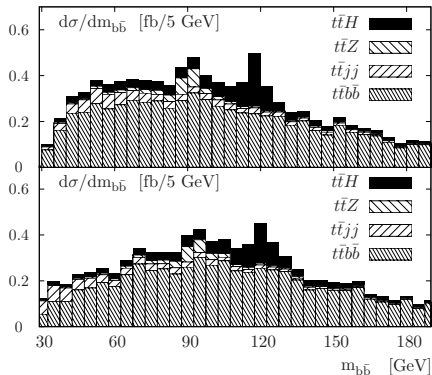
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- $t\bar{t}jj$  background: 'Higgs' as  $b$  from  $t_\ell$  plus QCD jet  
 additional isolated  $b$  tag, only continuum  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  left  
 missing energy cut?

jet patterns? [TP, Rauch, Spannowsky]

$m_H$	$S$	$S/B$	$S/\sqrt{B}$
115	57	1/2.1	5.2 (5.7)
120	48	1/2.4	4.5 (5.1)
130	29	1/3.6	2.9 (3.0)

⇒ under experimental scrutiny



# Fundamental Higgs or What?

## Higher-dimensional Higgs operators [Low, Rattazzi, Vicchi]

- ‘strongly interacting light Higgs’ [Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi]
- most relevant for LHC [WBF?]

$$\mathcal{O}_H = \partial^\mu (H^\dagger H) \partial_\mu (H^\dagger H) \quad \mathcal{O}_y = (H^\dagger H) \bar{l}_L H f_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_g = (H^\dagger H) G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \quad \mathcal{O}_\gamma = (H^\dagger H) B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

- Standard Model: no decoupling in presence of chiral fermions etc.
- fundamental Higgs:
  - $c_H > 0$  unless triplet scalar contribute [Higgs couplings reduced]
  - $c_H + 2c_\gamma > 0$  from heavy scalars and vectors [reduced coupling to fermions]
  - $c_g < 0$ ;  $c_\gamma > 0$  from top partner solving hierarchy problem
  - $c_g < 0$  in SUSY only for large mixing
- composite Higgs [non-linear  $\sigma$  model]:
  - $c_H, c_\gamma > 0$
- little Higgs:
  - $c_{H,y}$  large,  $c_{g,\gamma}$  suppressed

⇒ study Higgs couplings at the LHC

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  - $VH : H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  [Butterworth, Davison, Rubin, Salam]
  - $t\bar{t}H : H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, WW, (b\bar{b})\dots$
- parameters: couplings  $W, Z, t, b, \tau, g, \gamma$  [plus Higgs mass]
- hope: cancel uncertainties
  - $(WBF : H \rightarrow WW)/(WBF : H \rightarrow \tau\tau)$
  - $(WBF : H \rightarrow WW)/(GF : H \rightarrow WW)\dots$

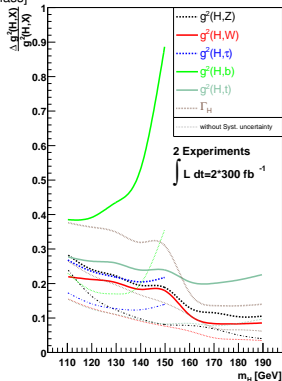
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## Total width

- degeneracy:  $\sigma BR \propto (g_b^2/\sqrt{\Gamma_H}) (g_a^2/\sqrt{\Gamma_H})$
  - additional constraint:  $\sum \Gamma_i(g^2) < \Gamma_H \rightarrow \Gamma_H|_{\min}$
  - $WW \rightarrow WW$  unitarity:  $g_{WWH} \lesssim g_{WWH}^{\text{SM}} \rightarrow \Gamma_H|_{\max}$
  - width extraction hard
- $\Rightarrow$  **this analysis:  $\Gamma_H = \sum_{\text{obs}} \Gamma_j$**



## SFitter — Higgs couplings at LHC

## Know-how from TeV-scale MSSM analysis [SFitter]

- parameters: weak-scale Higgs Lagrangian
- measurements: signal+background rates
- errors: statistics & systematics & theory [RFit from CKMFitter]
- fully exclusive likelihood map  $p(d|m)$  over model space  $m$
- Bayesian:  $p(m|d) \sim p(d|m) p(m)$  with theorists' bias  $p(m)$  [cosmo, BSM]
- frequentist: best-fitting point  $\max_m p(d|m)$  [flavor, here: cooling Markov chains]
- LHC aim: compute high-dimensional map  $p(d|m)$   
find and rank local maxima in  $p(d|m)$   
Bayesian–frequentist dance to reduce dimensions

## Alternative best-fit points and error bars [Dührssen, Lafaye, TP, Rauch, Zerwas]

- all couplings varied around SM values  $g_{HXX} = g_{HXX}^{\text{SM}} (1 + \delta_{HXX})$
- $\delta_{HXX} \sim -2$  means sign flip [ $g_{HWW} > 0$  fixed]
- error bars for Standard Model hypothesis [smearred data point,  $30\text{fb}^{-1}$ ]

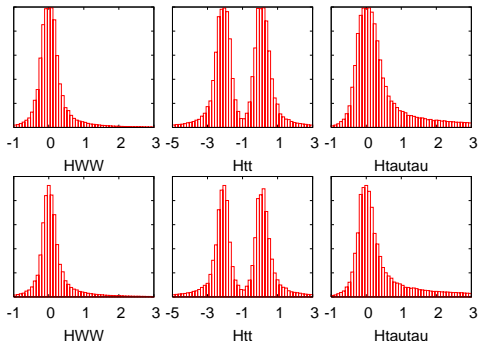
	$\sigma_{\text{symm}}$	$\sigma_{\text{neg}}$	$\sigma_{\text{pos}}$	$\sigma_{\text{symm}}$	$\sigma_{\text{neg}}$	$\sigma_{\text{pos}}$
$\delta_{WWW}$	$\pm 0.23$	$-0.21$	$+0.26$	$\pm 0.24$	$-0.21$	$+0.27$
$\delta_{ZZH}$	$\pm 0.50$	$-0.74$	$+0.30$	$\pm 0.44$	$-0.65$	$+0.24$
$\delta_{\bar{t}tH}$	$\pm 0.41$	$-0.37$	$+0.45$	$\pm 0.53$	$-0.65$	$+0.43$
$\delta_{b\bar{b}H}$	$\pm 0.45$	$-0.33$	$+0.56$	$\pm 0.44$	$-0.30$	$+0.59$
$\delta_{\tau\bar{\tau}H}$	$\pm 0.33$	$-0.21$	$+0.46$	$\pm 0.31$	$-0.19$	$+0.46$
$\delta_{\gamma\gamma H}$	—	—	—	$\pm 0.31$	$-0.30$	$+0.33$
$\delta_{ggH}$	—	—	—	$\pm 0.61$	$-0.59$	$+0.62$

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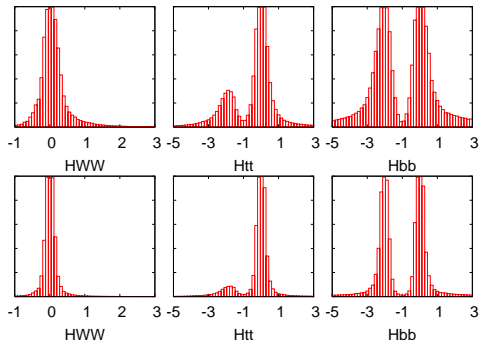
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–  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  vs  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  [without effective couplings]

⇒ higher luminosity quantitatively different

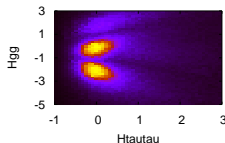
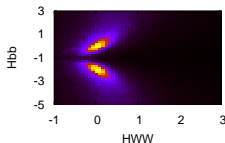
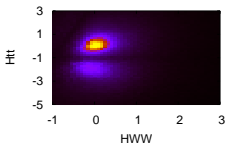


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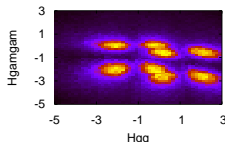
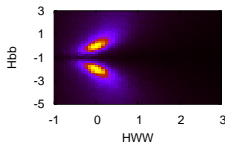
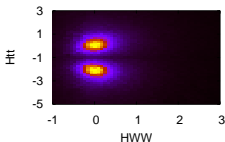
## Two-dimensional correlations and effective couplings

(1) including effective  $g_{Hgg}$ 

- sign of  $g_{Htt}$  fixed, correlated with  $g_{HWW}$
- correlation of  $g_{Hbb}$  and  $g_{HWW}$  [loops and width]
- effective coupling  $g_{Hgg}$  accessible

(2) also effective  $g_{H\gamma\gamma}$ 

- correlation of  $g_{Htt}$  and  $g_{HWW}$  on both branches
- still correlation of  $g_{Hbb}$  and  $g_{HWW}$  [width]
- effective coupling  $g_{H\gamma\gamma}$  more complex





# Bowing to the Organizers

## Higgs in Space! [Jackson, Servant, Shaughnessy, Tait, Taoso; talk by Gabe]

- best paper title in 2009
  - simple model:
    - Dirac fermion dark matter [somehow massive]
    - $Z'$  portal to Standard Model [kinetic mixing and  $tZ'$  coupling]
    - lots of anomalies cancelled by whatever
  - WIMP annihilation to  $\gamma H$  with  $\gamma$  lines  $[E_\gamma/M = 1 - m_H^2/(4M^2)]$
- ⇒ LHC signature  $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H\gamma$  with monoenergetic  $\gamma$  [good for  $t\bar{t}H$  search]

## Higgs in model space [Kribs, Martin, Roy, Spannowsky; talk by Adam]

- showing the QCD animal in Graham
  - assume new physics samples with Higgs and without backgrounds
  - generic for GMSB with higgsino NLSP and gravitino LSP
    - non-negligible for bino NLSP
  - mixed  $\gamma + \tilde{G}$  and  $h + \tilde{G}$  decays
- ⇒ reconstruct  $H$  just like  $\gamma$  as fat jet

# Fixed-point gravity

## UV-save gravity as its own UV completion [Weinberg; Reuter; Wetterich; Percacci; Litim...]

- truly minimal model
- dimensionless gravitational coupling  $g(\mu) = G(\mu)\mu^2 = G_0 Z_G^{-1}(\mu) \mu^2$
- IR — no gravitational running  
 $M_{\text{Planck}}$  — anomalous dimensions change  
 UV — finite gravity fixed point

## Gravitational effects on Standard Model [Shaposhnikov, Wetterich]

- dominant in the UV regime

$$\beta = \frac{a}{8\pi} \frac{k^2}{M_{\text{Planck}}(k)^2} \{g_1, g_2, g_3, y_t, \lambda\} \quad \text{means} \quad \{g_1, g_2, g_3, y_t, \lambda\} \sim k^a$$

- IR fixed point for  $\lambda/y_t^2$
- IR and UV behavior

$$a_{1,2,3} \lesssim -0.013 \quad \text{asymptotically free, not relevant in UV}$$

$$a_t < a_t^{\text{crit}} < 0 \quad \text{fixed by finite top mass, avoid Gaussian IR fixed point}$$

$$a_\lambda \sim 3 \quad \text{no Landau pole and } \lambda > 0 \text{ below } M_{\text{Planck}}$$

- $m_H = (128 \pm 2) \text{ GeV}$  means no physics to the Planck scale

# Outlook

## Higgs@LHC amazingly still showing progress

1. we can see  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ !
  2. Higgs sector analyses will work...
  3. cool guys like Graham dig jet algorithms!
- ⇒ **revolution ranking: (3) ahead of (1) ahead of (2)**  
and tell your students there is no such thing as a completely worked-out field

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