The status of HH searches at the LHC

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SM Higgs Boson Pair Production

- After discovering the Higgs boson, the ultimate probe of the Standard Model is to fully measure the Higgs potential
- Higgs self-coupling fundamental parameter of the Standard Model $V(\Phi) = \frac{1}{2}\mu^2\Phi^2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda\Phi^4 = \lambda\nu^2h^2 + \lambda\nu h^3 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda h^4$ mass term self-coupling terms



Higgs-fermion Yukawa coupling (destructive interference)

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- Rare process of the Standard Model
 - Destructive interference
 - $\sigma_{\rm SM}(gg \to HH) = 33.5 \; {\rm fb} \approx 1\% \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}(gg \to H)$ at 13 TeV

BSM Higgs Boson Pair Production

- Non-resonant HH production
 - BSM contribution can modify the Higgs boson coupling parameters and enhance the HH cross section
- Resonant HH production
 - Various models expect a new particle decaying into a Higgs boson pair
 - **•** Randall-Sundrum graviton (spin-2): $G \rightarrow hh$
 - 2HDM heavy Higgs boson (spin-0): $H \rightarrow hh$





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Higgs Boson Pair Decays

- Many final states to explore
- *bbbb*: largest branching fraction
- bbγγ and WWγγ: clean diphoton signature
- Searches in marked final states will be presented using:
 - ATLAS: 2015-2016 dataset, 36.1 fb⁻¹
 - CMS: 2016 dataset, 35.9 fb⁻¹
- Also, see Agni Bethani's talk on ATLAS searches for VH/HH resonances



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Searches for Higgs Boson Pair Production

Searches for Higgs Boson Pair Production in ATLAS

$HH \to bbbb$	JHEP 01 (2019) 030
$HH \rightarrow bbWW \rightarrow bbqq\ell\nu$	JHEP 04 (2019) 092
$HH \to bb\tau\tau$	Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 191801 (2018)
$HH \rightarrow WWWW$	arXiv:1811.11028
$HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$	JHEP 11 (2018) 040
$HH \rightarrow WW\gamma\gamma$	Eur. Phys. J. C 78 (2018) 1007
Combination	New results paper in preparation

Searches for Higgs Boson Pair Production in CMS

JHEP 04 (2019) 112
JHEP 08 (2018) 152
arXiv:1904.04193
JHEP 01 (2018) 054
Phys. Lett. B 778 (2018) 101
Phys. Lett. B 788 (2018) 7
Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 121803 (2019)

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$HH \rightarrow bbbb$ Analyses

- Largest branching ratio
- Resolved and boosted topologies considered
- ATLAS
 - Resolved: *b*-jet triggers, 4 *b*-tagged jets
 - Boosted: large-*R* jet trigger, 2 large-*R* jets, with 2/3/4 small-*R b*-tagged track-jets
 - Signal region: both Higgs candidate masses consistent with expected m_h within resolution
 - Discriminating variable: m_{hh} invariant mass

CMS

- Resolved: jet (including *b*-jet) triggers,
 4 *b*-tagged jets
- Boosted: jet (including b-jet) triggers, 2 large-R jets, dedicated MVA "double-b-tagger" used to identify Higgs candidates
- Discriminating variable: BDT score (resolved) and m_{hh} invariant mass (boosted)
- Main backgrounds: multi-jet and $t\bar{t}$



$HH \rightarrow bbbb$ Results

- Non-resonant hh production: observed (expected) 95% CL upper limit on σ(hh) × BR(bbbb):
 - ATLAS: 147 fb = $12.9 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$ (20.7 $\cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$)
 - CMS: 847 fb (419 fb)
- Resonant *hh* production: 2HDM interpretation:
 - No significant excess observed
 - ATLAS: largest deviation at 280 GeV, 3.6σ local (2.3σ global) significance
 - CMS: largest deviation at 460 GeV, 2.6σ local significance





$HH \rightarrow bbWW$ Analyses

- ATLAS ($bbqq\ell\nu$)
 - Resolved: 1 ℓ, E^{miss}, 4 small-*R* jets (2 *b*-jets)
 - Boosted: 1 ℓ , $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$, 1 large-R *b*-jet, 2 small-R jets
 - Discriminating variable: m_{HH} invariant mass

CMS

- $bbqq\ell\nu$:
 - 1 ℓ, E^{miss}_T, 1 large-R b-jet, 1 large-R jet
 - Likelihood fit in 2D plane of m_{bb} and m_{HH}

• $bb\ell\nu\ell\nu$:

- 2 OS leptons (e or µ), 2 b-tagged jets
- Discriminating variable: DNN output
- Dominant backgrounds: tt
 t t W+jets, multi-jet





$HH \rightarrow bbWW$ Results

- Non-resonant *hh* production: observed limits
 - ATLAS $\sigma(hh) \times BR(bbWW) = 2.5 \text{ pb} (300\sigma_{SM})$
 - CMS $\sigma(hh) \times BR(bb\ell\nu\ell\nu) = 72 \text{ fb} (79 \cdot \sigma_{SM})$
- Resonant *hh* production: 2HDM interpretation:
 - ATLAS ($bbqq\ell\nu$): set limits between 5.6 pb ($m_X = 500 \text{ GeV}$) and 0.2 pb ($m_X = 3 \text{ TeV}$)
 - CMS ($bbqq\ell\nu$): set limits between 123 fb ($m_X = 800 \text{ GeV}$) and 8.3 fb ($m_X = 3.5 \text{ TeV}$)
 - CMS ($bb\ell\nu\ell\nu$): set limits between 430 fb

 $(m_X = 260 \text{ GeV})$ and 17 fb $(m_X = 900 \text{ GeV})$





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CMS

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$HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$ Analyses

- ATLAS
 - Two channels:
 - two hadronicaly decaying taus
 - one hadronicaly and one leptonicaly decaving tau
 - 2 taus (at least one hadronicaly decaying), 2 small-R or 1 large-R b-jets
 - BDT trained to discriminate signal from backgrounds, separate BDT for each mass hypothesis
 - Discriminating variable: BDT score
- CMS
 - Two channels:
 - two hadronicaly decaying taus
 - one hadronicaly and one leptonicaly decaying tau
 - $e/\mu/\tau_{\rm h}+\tau_{\rm h}$, 2 small-R or 1 large-R b-jets
 - Discriminating variable: m_{HH}^{KinFit} (resonant). $m_{\rm T2}$ (non-resonant)

Dominant backgrounds: $t\bar{t}$, multi-jet, Z+jets



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BDT score

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$HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$ Results

- Non-resonant hh production: observed (expected) 95% CL upper limits on $\sigma(hh) \times BR(bb\tau\tau)$:
 - ATLAS: 30.9 fb = $12.7 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$ (36.0 fb)
 - CMS: 75.4 fb = $30 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$ (61.0 fb)
- Resonant *hh* production: hMSSM interpretation:
 - No significant excess observed
 - ATLAS: masses between 305 GeV and 402 GeV excluded for $\tan \beta = 2$
 - CMS: masses between 230 GeV and 360 GeV excluded for tan β = 1
- The $\tan\beta$ is the ratio of the vacuum expectation values of the two Higgs doublets



$HH \rightarrow WWWW$ Analyses

- Cut and count analysis
- Three channels defined by number of leptons
 - Two (same sign) leptons: $ee, e\mu$, $\mu\mu$, $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$, at least two jets, b-jet veto
 - Three leptons: total charge ± 1 , $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$, at least two jets, *b*-jet veto
 - Four leptons: total charge 0, *b*-jet veto
- Dominant backgrounds: Diboson, tV, ttV/H and VVV, W+jets, $t\bar{t}$



$HH \rightarrow WWWW$ Results

- Non-resonant hh production: observed (expected) 95% CL upper limits on σ(hh):
 - ATLAS: 5.3 pb = 160· $\sigma_{\rm SM}$ (3.8 pb)
- Resonant *hh* production: 2HDM interpretation:
 - No significant excess observed
 - ATLAS: set limits between 9.3 pb $(m_X = 260 \text{ GeV})$ and 2.8 pb $(m_X = 500 \text{ GeV})$



$HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$ Analyses

ATLAS

- 2 photons, 2 jets (1 or 2 b-tags)
- *m_{jj}* invariant mass compatible with the mass of the Higgs boson
- Discriminating variables: m_{γγ} (non-resonant) and m_{γγjj} (resonant)
- Particularly sensitive at low masses

CMS

- 2 photons, 2 jets
- $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ and m_{jj} in Higgs mass window
- BDT classifier, including b-tagging information to select signal-like events
- Discriminating variable: $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ and m_{jj}
- Dominant backgrounds: *γγ*-continuum, single Higgs



$HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$ Results

- Non-resonant hh production: observed (expected) 95% CL upper limits on σ(hh):
 - ATLAS: 0.73 pb = $22 \cdot \sigma_{SM}$ (0.93 pb)
 - CMS: 0.79 pb = $24 \cdot \sigma_{SM}$ (0.63 pb)
- Resonant *hh* production: 2HDM interpretation:
 - No significant excess observed
 - ATLAS: set limits between 1.14 pb $(m_X = 260 \text{ GeV})$ and 0.12 pb $(m_X = 1 \text{ TeV})$
 - CMS: set limits between 0.23 fb $(m_X = 250 \text{ GeV})$ and 4.2 fb $(m_X = 750 \text{ GeV})$



$HH \rightarrow WW\gamma\gamma$ Analyses

- 2 photons, 1 e or μ , 2 jets $(WW \rightarrow \ell \nu qq)$
- Parameterized fit to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$
- Dominant backgrounds: *γγ*-continuum, single Higgs



$HH \rightarrow WW\gamma\gamma$ Results

- Non-resonant hh production: observed (expected) 95% CL upper limit on $\sigma(hh) \times BR(WW\gamma\gamma)$
 - ATLAS: 7.5 fb = $230 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$ (5.3 fb)
- Resonant *hh* production: 2HDM interpretation:
 - No significant excess observed
 - ATLAS: set limits between 40 pb $(m_X = 260 \text{ GeV})$ and 6.1 pb $(m_X = 500 \text{ GeV})$



Combinations

Non-resonant $HH\ {\rm production}$

- Statistical combination of the most sensitive individual channels
- ATLAS new results:
 - $\blacksquare \ HH \to bbbb$
 - $\blacksquare HH \rightarrow bbWW$
 - $\blacksquare ~HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$
 - $\blacksquare HH \to WWWW$
 - $\blacksquare ~ HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$
 - $\blacksquare \ HH \to WW\gamma\gamma$
 - Observed: $6.9 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$
 - Expected: $10.0 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$

CMS:

- $\blacksquare \ HH \to bbbb$
- $\blacksquare ~HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$

$$\blacksquare HH \to bb\gamma\gamma$$

- $HH \rightarrow bbVV \ (V = W \text{ or } Z)$
- Observed: $22.2 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$
- Expected: $12.8 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$



Combinations

Limits on κ_{λ}

- Combined limits on $\kappa_{\lambda} = \lambda_{HHH} / \lambda_{SM}$
- All couplings except the Higgs boson self-coupling λ_{HHH} set to their SM values
- ATLAS allowed range:
 - Observed: $-5.0 < \kappa_{\lambda} < 12.0$
 - Expected: $-5.8 < \kappa_{\lambda} < 12.0$
- CMS allowed range:
 - Observed: $-11.8 < \kappa_{\lambda} < 18.8$
 - Expected: $-7.1 < \kappa_{\lambda} < 13.6$



Combinations

Resonant HH production



- Combined limits on scalar resonance corresponding to CP-even heavy Higgs in hMSSM (2HDM) model
- No significant excess observed
- ATLAS: set upper limits between
 4 fb and 1 pb
- CMS: set upper limits between 4 fb and 2 pb



Conclusions & Summary

- ATLAS and CMS are highly active in searching for Higgs boson pair production. Effort to cover maximum final states.
- Shown recent searches based on 36.1 fb⁻¹ (ATLAS) and 35.9 fb⁻¹ (CMS) of LHC Run-2 data
- Improved sensitivity using boosted techniques and machine learning
- \blacksquare No excess in non-resonant production, limits 6.9 $22.2 \cdot \sigma_{\rm SM}$
- No significant excess observed in resonance search
- Analyzing full Run-2 dataset, 140 fb⁻¹

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