



## Boosted $(VH)H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ?

A brief sensitivity study

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# Boosted regimes: Setting the stage

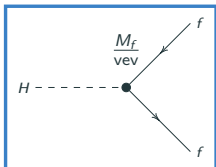
## Using the Higgs sector as a portal:

- ▶ Most of the (predicted) Higgs decay channels have been already observed or are at the edge ...
- ▶ As investigations on the Higgs sector improve it can also be used as a portal to look for physics beyond the standard model
- ▶ Signal strengths and couplings (so far) compatible with SM prediction → differential distributions?

## Using the Golden Channels:

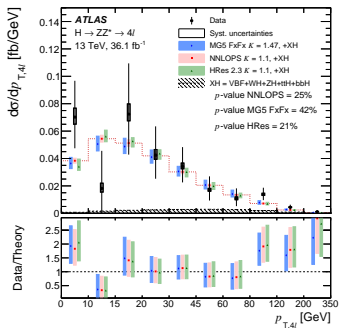
- ▶ Very "clean" channels, signal statistically already observed
- ▶ **But:** They do not reach the ultra high- $p_T$  tails with enough statistics

→ New approaches needed, e.g. looking at  $H \rightarrow bb$



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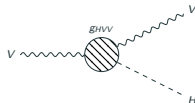
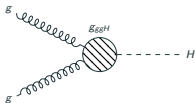
[arXiv:1708.02810]



# The (theoretical) motivation behind boosted regimes

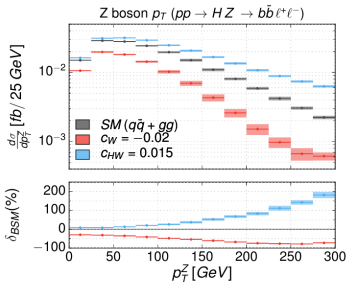
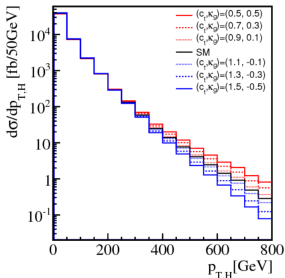
Effective Field Theory approach:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{d>4} \sum_{i=1}^{n(d)} \frac{c_i^{(d)}}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \times \mathcal{O}_i^{(d)}$$



[arXiv:1405.4295]

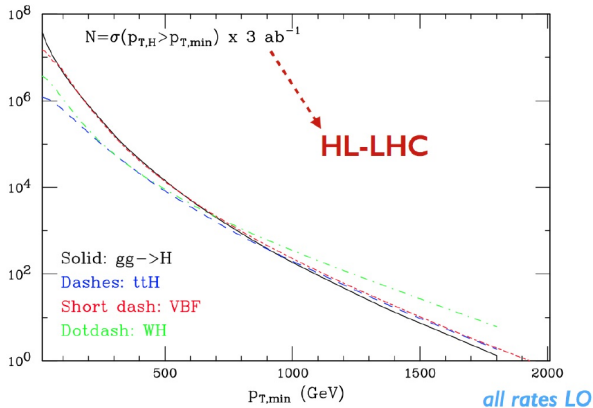
[arXiv:1512.02572]



# An other motivation for high- $p_T$ Higgsstrahlung

- ▶ At very high Higgs- $p_T$ , the  $VH$  production cross-section can be even higher than the ggF one

[Talk at LHCHXSWG ggF meeting]

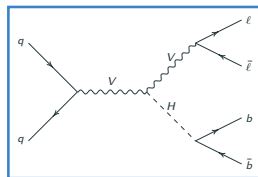


**Caution:** LO  $\rightarrow$  Large corrections in both directions expected when considering higher perturbative orders

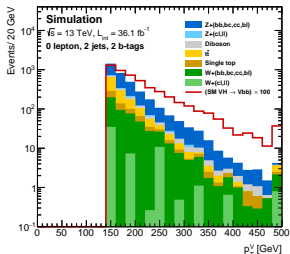
# The current $(VH)H \rightarrow bb$ analysis in a nutshell

## Analysis strategy in a nutshell:

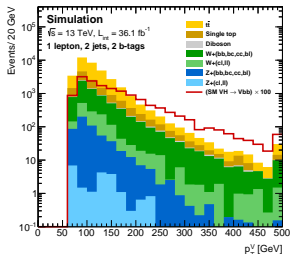
- ▶ Split the analysis into subchannels according to the charged lepton multiplicity
- ▶ Try to reconstruct the two  $b$ -jets using the anti- $k_t-4$  algorithm and use their invariant mass as a major discriminant (actually a BDT is trained adding additional variables)
- ▶ Focus at the phase space with  $p_T^V > 150$  GeV in order to increase the signal-to-background ratio



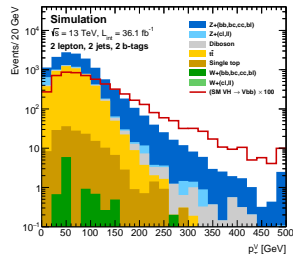
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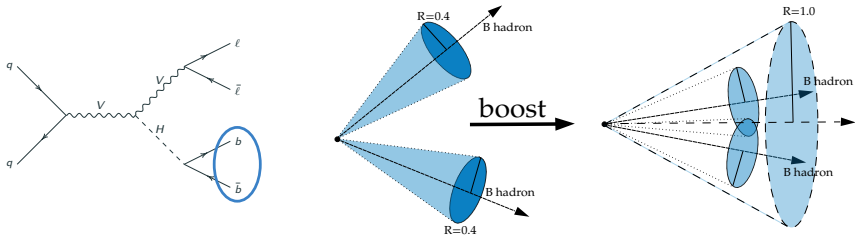
## 2 lepton:



# How to deal with very boosted Higgs bosons?

## Operating the LHC at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

- ▶ The current  $(VH)H \rightarrow bb$  search aims at individually reconstructing the jets that originated from the hard scattered b-quarks
- ▶ If these get too close in  $\Delta R$  the usual (anti- $k_T$ -4) jet cones merge and can no longer be resolved individually



### Rule of thumb:

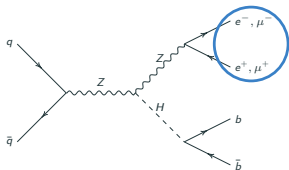
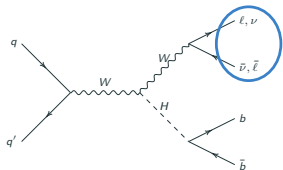
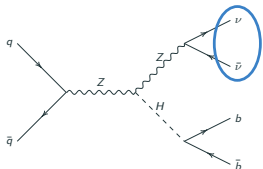
$$\Delta R(j_1, j_2) \simeq \frac{m_{\text{Higgs}}}{p_T^{\text{Higgs}}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{z(1-z)}} \stackrel{z=1/2}{=} \frac{2m_{\text{Higgs}}}{p_T^{\text{Higgs}}}$$

Merging regime for anti- $k_T$ -4 jets ( $R = 0.4$ ):  
 $p_T^H \approx 5 \times m_H = 625$  GeV (assuming  $z = 1/2$ )

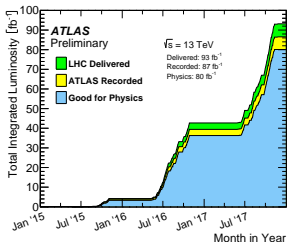
## **A generator-level study**

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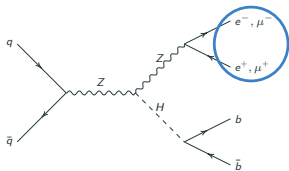
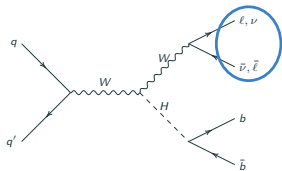
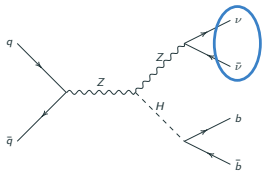
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How many signal events are expected in the high  $p_T^{\text{Higgs}}$  tails and how many of them can be reconstructed using either two small-R jets or one large-R jet?

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# The event selection/categorization

## The need of an event selection:

- ▶ Mimic the existing VH analysis selection [JHEP12(2017)024] in order to get an acceptance estimate.

## The introduced selection:

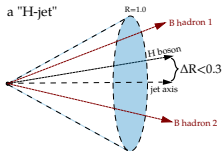
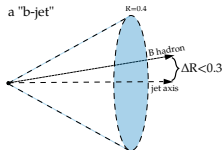
- ▶ Two regions have been defined with selection either on small-R jets (**resolved**) or large-R jets (**boosted**).
- ▶ The below selection has been commonly applied for all three subchannels  
→ Only difference:  $p_T^V > 75$  GeV in 2-lepton vs.  $p_T^V > 150$  GeV in 0/1-lepton

## Resolved:

Selection	Jet $p_T$	Leading b-jet $p_T$	Jet $ \eta $	$n_{\text{jet}}$	$n_{\text{b-jets}}$
Value	$> 20$ GeV	$> 45$ GeV	$< 2.5$	2 or 3	2

## Boosted:

Selection	Jet $p_T$	Jet $ \eta $	$n_{\text{jet}}$	$n_{\text{H-jets}}$
Value	$> 250$ GeV	$< 2.0$	1	1



# Categorization and results

## Intuitive approach:

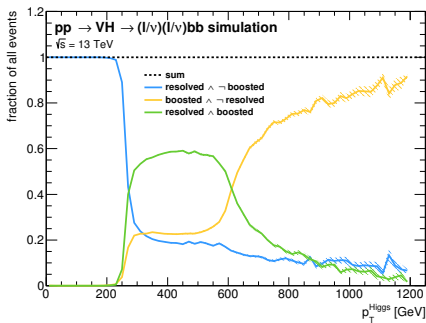
- Categorize events in an exclusive, non-overlapping way into:

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The fraction of events that can be reconstructed using a resolved approach drops at  $p_T^{\text{Higgs}} \sim 600$  GeV - complementary the fraction rises for the boosted approach, as expected



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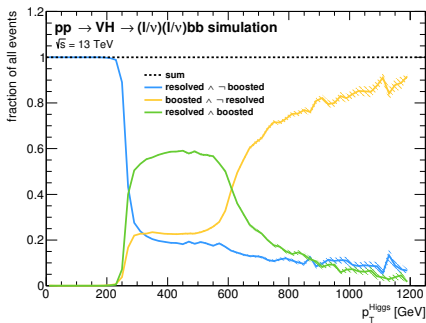
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What if an event can be reconstructed in both approaches?



## A "priority resolved" scheme:

- An event is first tried to be reconstructed in a resolved approach. Only if this fails a boosted reconstruction is considered. → No overlap.
- This is motivated by the desired orthogonality to the existing analysis and the fact that the  $m_{BB}$  resolution is better in a resolved reconstruction.

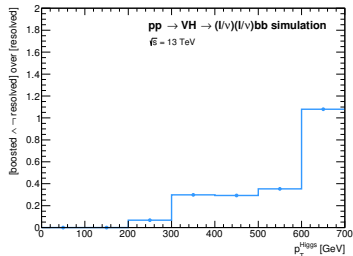
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Expected signal yields for  $p_T^{\text{Higgs}} > 500$  GeV:

	0 lepton	1 lepton	2 lepton	combined
all	$16.86 \pm 0.11$	$48.8 \pm 0.2$	$5.7 \pm 0.1$	$71.4 \pm 0.2$
resolved	$6.11 \pm 0.05$	$17.01 \pm 0.08$	$1.79 \pm 0.04$	$24.91 \pm 0.11$
boosted	$9.16 \pm 0.06$	$24.02 \pm 0.10$	$2.33 \pm 0.05$	$35.51 \pm 0.12$
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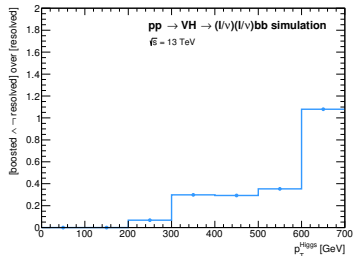
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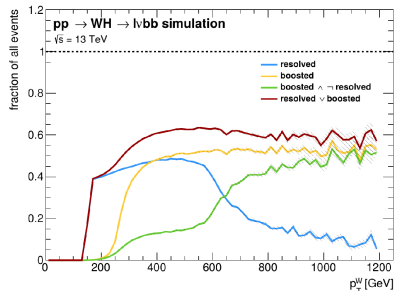
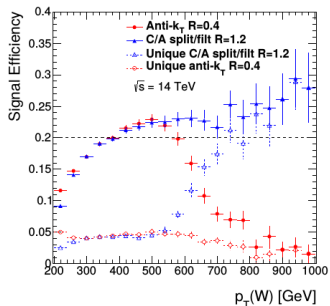
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# Crosschecking the study

- ▶ Compare the results qualitatively to the sensitivity study published by J. Butterworth et al [arXiv:1506.04973] → **Similar efficiency behaviour visible**



## Why do the plots differ?

- ▶ Different jet algorithms used (Cambridge/Aachen vs. anti- $k_T$ ) and preselection cuts do not match completely.
- ▶ The events in the left graph are weighted to mimic a  $b$ -tagging efficiency of 75% → difference in signal efficiency of a factor 2

→ **The two results are in very good agreement**

## **A full simulation study**

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# Towards a complete study: Adding the detector simulation

## What to gain from this step?

- ▶ The detector related efficiencies and acceptances obviously further penalize the expected signal yield.
- ▶ Having in addition a simulation of all the relevant backgrounds allows the estimation of an expected observation significance  $Z_{\text{exp.}}$ .

## A few technicalities:

- ▶ Used the CxAODFramework's publication tag to process the v.28 CxAODs (AnalysisBase 20.7)
- ▶ Applied the **resolved** SM cutbased event selection described in [JHEP12(2017)024]
- ▶ All event yields have consequently been scaled up to  $L_{\text{int}} = 80 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  as well.

## About the boosted selection

- ▶ At least one large-R jet with exactly two  $b$ -tagged anti- $k_{\text{t}}-2$  sub-(track-)jets
- ▶ No additional  $b$ -tags outside the large-R jet
- ▶ MV2c10 @ 70% signal efficiency on the track jets
- ▶ Muon-in-jet correction for large-R jets
- ▶ Remaining selection is close to the resolved one

More information on the event selection can be found in the backup

# Full simulation results - expected stat. significance (1)

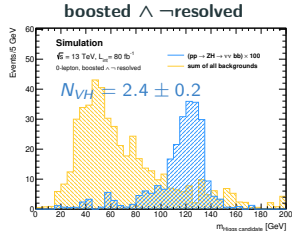
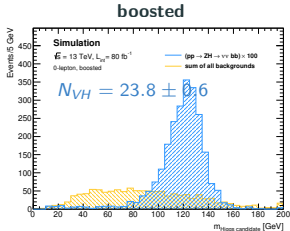
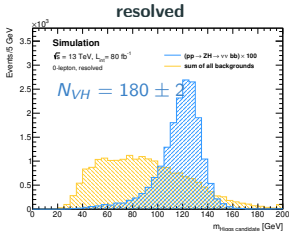
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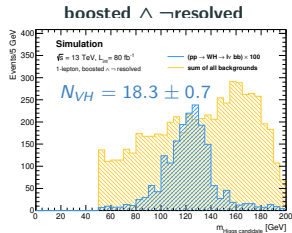
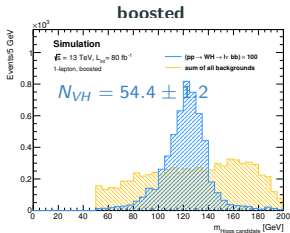
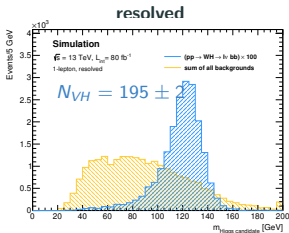
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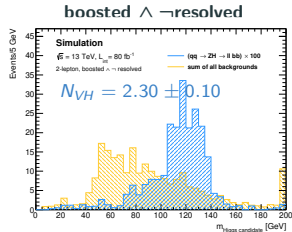
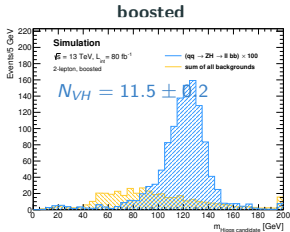
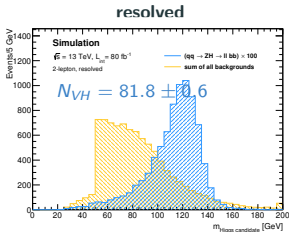
<sup>2</sup>In bins of 5 GeV - if  $s_b/b > 0.2$ , bins are added until this is no longer the case.

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Exemplary distributions for the 2 lepton channel ( $p_T^V > 75$  GeV):



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channel	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved	JHEP res. $\times \sqrt{2}$
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1 lep	$1.03 \pm 0.08$	$0.37 \pm 0.05$	$2.24 \pm 0.10$	2.5
2 lep	$0.95 \pm 0.09$	$0.25 \pm 0.05$	$1.61 \pm 0.06$	2.7

**Caution:** 2 lep is  $qq \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell bb$  only (16%  $\sigma \times \text{BR}$  missing) and for  $p_T^V \geq 75$  GeV

**Inclusive significances are in the same range as the expected ones from the publication  $\rightarrow$  nice crosscheck**

**The overall signal sensitivity of the  $(VH)H \rightarrow bb$  search can only be slightly increased by this approach**

**$\rightarrow$  Look especially for high- $p_T^H$  tails**

# Expected stat. significances at ultra high $p_T^V$

Requiring  $p_T^V > 500$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
0 lep	$0.48 \pm 0.06$	$0.26 \pm 0.04$	$0.32 \pm 0.06$
1 lep	$0.58 \pm 0.08$	$0.35 \pm 0.06$	$0.26 \pm 0.04$
2 lep*	$0.54 \pm 0.13$	$0.36 \pm 0.12$	$0.29 \pm 0.08$
sum	$0.98 \pm 0.18$	$0.60 \pm 0.16$	$0.53 \pm 0.12$

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## Observations:

- ▶ The middle column represents the gain from a "priority resolved" scheme  $\rightarrow \sim \sqrt{2}$  in sensitivity  $\rightarrow$  Promising!
- ▶ Maybe consider a boosted only approach after a certain  $p_T^V$  threshold, e.g. 500 GeV

# Conclusions

- ▶ High- $p_T$  Higgs boson production is sensitive to possible BSM physics also in  $VH$  production
  - ▶  $H \rightarrow bb$  most promising due to large BR
  - ▶ Sensitivity studies for most recent data set (2015+2016+2017) have been started

## 1. Generator-level signal studies:

- ▶ Categorization done to mimic the existing  $(VH)H \rightarrow bb$  analysis
- ▶ Boosted reconstruction gets dominant for  $p_T^H > 600$  GeV
- ▶ This is in agreement with the rough estimate of  $\frac{p_T^H}{m_H} \sim 5$

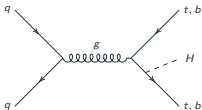
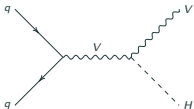
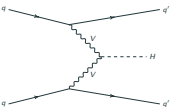
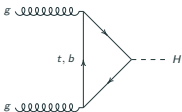
## 2. Full simulation studies:

- ▶ Boosted sensitivity gets competitive for  $p_T^H > 500$  GeV with  $Z_{\text{exp}} \sim 0.5$
- ▶ Combining the 0-/1-/and 2-lepton channels yields  $Z_{\text{exp}}^{\text{tot}} \sim 1.0$  for boosted reconstruction and  $Z_{\text{exp}}^{\text{tot}} \sim 0.6$  for boosted  $\wedge \rightarrow$ resolved
- ▶ Attention: expected significances are for cut-based approach and stat. only
- ▶ **Next:** Investigation on possible sensitivity improvements
  - ▶ Can we further suppress the major backgrounds?

# Appendix

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# Where to look for $H \rightarrow bb$ ?



## Several production mechanisms targeted at the LHC:

- ▶ Gluon-gluon fusion:
  - ▶ Huge QCD background, triggering possible at high Higgs- $p_T$  but very low signal-to-background ratio
- ▶ Vector-boson fusion:
  - ▶ Large QCD background, additional photon helps for triggering and increases signal-to-background ratio
- ▶ Higgsstrahlung:
  - ▶ The **main** search channel, exploits leptons for triggering and to reduce the QCD background
- ▶ ttH/bbH production:
  - ▶ Difficult background modelling ( $ttbb$  or  $bbbb$ ), in top-case leptonic signatures for triggering

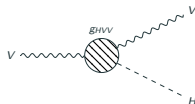
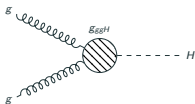
This talk focusses mainly on Higgsstrahlung but includes as well a comparison to already existing searches in gluon fusion.



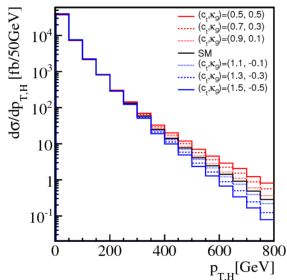
# The (theoretical) motivation behind boosted regimes

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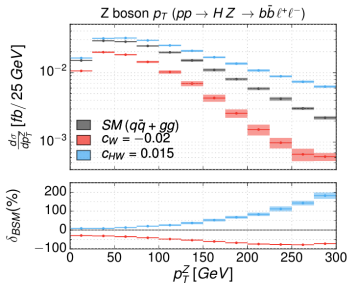
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{d>4} \sum_{i=1}^{n(d)} \frac{c_i^{(d)}}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \times \mathcal{O}_i^{(d)}$$



[arXiv:1405.4295]



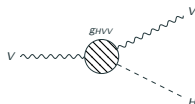
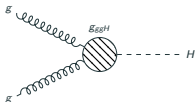
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Caution - Operator Phenomenology:

[Johann Brehmer: Higgs EFT]

► EFT approach is limited at high  $p_T^H$  as can be shown by the following dim-6 example

$$\mathcal{O}_W = i \frac{g}{2} (D^\mu \phi)^\dagger \sigma^k (D^\nu \phi) W_{\mu\nu}^k$$

$$H \text{ --- } \left. \begin{array}{l} W_\mu^+ \\ \\ W_\nu^- \end{array} \right\} = igm_W \left[ g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{f_W}{2\Lambda^2} p_H^2 g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{f_W}{2\Lambda^2} (p_\mu^H p_\nu^+ + p_\mu^- p_\nu^H) \right]$$

$$\rightarrow g_{HWW} \sim \text{SM} + \frac{c_W (p_T^H)^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

is assumed to be **small** in this ansatz

# Comparison: Status of boosted Higgs boson searches

## ATLAS (VH)H $\rightarrow$ bb [arXiv:1708.03299]:

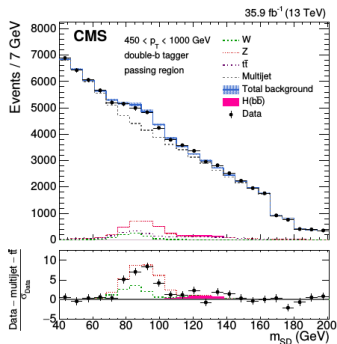
- ▶ Most of the sensitivity comes from the medium Higgs- $p_T$  range  $p_T \in [150 \text{ GeV}, 300 \text{ GeV}] \rightarrow$  Boosted region not (yet) targeted
- ▶ **Idea:** Use an orthogonal recycling approach to access this regime as a portal for possible BSM physics
- ▶ At the moment we are trying to estimate the expected sensitivity (prob.  $\sim 1\sigma$  for  $L_{\text{int}} = 80 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) but there are significant improvements possible both in the reconstruction and in the  $b$ -tagging

## CMS H $\rightarrow$ bb + ISR [arXiv:1711.10508]:

- ▶ Looking for  $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow bb$  together with a very high- $p_T$  ISR jet to trigger on
- ▶ Expected significance  $\sim 1\sigma$  for  $L_{\text{int}} = 80 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- ▶ Similar study also started within the ATLAS collaboration

**Table 1:** Fitted signal strength, expected and observed significance of the Higgs and Z boson signal.

	H	H no $p_T$ corr.	Z
Observed signal strength	$2.3^{+1.8}_{-1.6}$	$3.2^{+2.2}_{-2.0}$	$0.78^{+0.23}_{-0.19}$
Expected significance	$0.7\sigma$	$0.5\sigma$	$5.8\sigma$
Observed significance	$1.5\sigma$	$1.6\sigma$	$5.1\sigma$



# Cross-sections for the simulated signal processes (1)

Process	$\sigma \times \text{BR}$ [fb]
$qq \rightarrow WH \rightarrow \ell\nu bb$	269.0
$qq/qg \rightarrow ZH(q) \rightarrow \ell\ell bb(q),$ $gg \rightarrow ZHqq \rightarrow qq\ell\ell bb$	29.9
$qq/qg \rightarrow ZH(qg) \rightarrow \nu\nu bb(q),$ $gg \rightarrow ZHqq \rightarrow qq\nu\nu bb$	89.0
$gg \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell bb$	4.8
$gg \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu bb$	14.2

**Table 1:** Cross section times branching ratio for the various signal processes, calculated from the values of the LHCHSWG at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV and  $m_H = 125.09$  GeV. The cross sections taken have been calculated at NNLO in QCD and include as well NLO EW corrections, except for the  $gg \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \dots$  processes that have been calculated at NLO+NLL in QCD. The branching ratios take into account the most recent partial decay-width calculations and assume the SM particle content. For the  $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$  decay, only electrons and muons are taken into account in the calculation whereas for  $W \rightarrow \ell\nu$  all three lepton categories entered the calculation. This has been done to approximate the event selection acceptance for events involving subsequently decaying taus.

# Cross-sections for the simulated signal processes (2)

## 0 lepton:

- ▶  $qq \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu bb$   
 $\sigma \times \text{BR} = 761.2 \text{ fb} \times 0.5824 \times 0.06729 = 88.66 \text{ fb}$
- ▶  $gg \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \nu\nu bb$   
 $\sigma \times \text{BR} = 122.7 \text{ fb} \times 0.5824 \times 0.06729 = 14.29 \text{ fb}$

## 1 lepton:

- ▶  $pp \rightarrow W^+ H \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu bb$   
 $\sigma \times \text{BR} = 94.26 \text{ fb} \times 0.5824 \times 3 = 164.69 \text{ fb}$
- ▶  $pp \rightarrow W^- H \rightarrow \ell^- \nu bb$   
 $\sigma \times \text{BR} = 59.83 \text{ fb} \times 0.5824 \times 3 = 104.53 \text{ fb}$

## 2 lepton:

- ▶  $qq \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell bb$   
 $\sigma \times \text{BR} = 761.2 \text{ fb} \times 0.5824 \times 0.06729 = 29.83 \text{ fb}$
- ▶  $gg \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell bb$   
 $\sigma \times \text{BR} = 122.7 \text{ fb} \times 0.5824 \times 0.06729 = 4.81 \text{ fb}$

# Why do the cross-sections differ that much?

- ▶ In electroweak unification (GSW) one has four vector fields  $W_\mu^i$  and  $B^\mu$  that, after symmetry breaking, mix to the physical mass eigenstates  $W^\pm$ ,  $Z^0$  and  $A^\mu$ .
- ▶ The W boson is a mixture of only the  $W_\mu^1$  and  $W_\mu^2$  fields whilst the Z boson is a mixture of both the neutral  $W_\mu^3$  component and the  $B^\mu$  field  $\rightarrow$  different vertex factors

$$\frac{-ig_W}{2\sqrt{2}}\gamma^\mu(1 - \gamma^5) \quad (W^\pm \text{ vertex factor})$$

$$\frac{-ig_Z}{2}\gamma^\mu(c_V^f - c_A^f\gamma^5) \quad (Z^0 \text{ vertex factor})$$

- ▶ The W boson coupling is pure V-A, whilst the Z boson coupling (because of being a mixture of  $W_\mu^3$  and  $B^\mu$ ) has the coefficients  $c_V^f$  and  $c_A^f$  that can be calculated if the weak mixing angle is known.
- ▶ This accounts for different branching ratios, the W boson decay is in LO completely flavour universal while the Z boson decay is not.

$f$	$c_V$	$c_A$
$\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
$e^-, \mu^-, \tau^-$	$-\frac{1}{2} + 2\sin(\theta_W)$	$-\frac{1}{2}$
$u, c, t$	$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{3}\sin^2(\theta_W)$	$\frac{1}{2}$
$d, s, b$	$-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3}\sin^2(\theta_W)$	$-\frac{1}{2}$

## The Branching Ratios:

- ▶  $\text{BR}(W \rightarrow l\nu) \approx 1/9$
- ▶  $\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow ll) \approx 3.4\%$
- ▶  $\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \nu\nu) \approx 6.8\%$

(always calculated for one flavor)

# The event selection in detail (1)

Selection	0 lepton channel	1 lepton channel		2 lepton channel
		e sub-channel	$\mu$ sub-channel	
Trigger	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	Single lepton	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	Single lepton
Leptons	0 loose leptons with $p_T > 7$ GeV	1 tight e $p_T > 27$ GeV	1 medium $\mu$ $p_T > 25$ GeV	2 loose leptons with $p_T > 7$ GeV $\geq 1$ leptons with $p_T > 27$ GeV
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	$> 150$ GeV	$> 30$ GeV	-	-
$m_{jj}$	-	-	-	$81 \text{ GeV} < m_{jj} < 101 \text{ GeV}$
Jets	Exactly 2 or 3 jets			Exactly 2 or $\geq 3$ jets
Jet $p_T$	$> 20$ GeV			
$b$ -jets	Exactly 2 $b$ -tagged jets			
Leading $b$ -tagged jet $p_T$	$> 45$ GeV			
$H_T$	$> 120$ GeV (2 jets), $> 150$ GeV (3 jets)	-	-	-
$\min[\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jets})]$	$> 20^\circ$ (2 jets), $> 30^\circ$ (3 jets)	-	-	-
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, jj)$	$> 120^\circ$	-	-	-
$\Delta\phi(j_1, j_2)$	$< 140^\circ$	-	-	-
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, E_{T,\text{trk}}^{\text{miss}})$	$< 90^\circ$	-	-	-
$p_T^V$ regions	$> 150$ GeV			$75 \text{ GeV} - 150 \text{ GeV}, > 150 \text{ GeV}$
Signal regions	no add. selection	$m_{jj} \geq 75 \text{ GeV}$ or $m_{\text{top}} \leq 225 \text{ GeV}$		Same-flavor leptons, opposite-sign charge in $\mu\mu$ sub-channel
Control regions	-	$m_{jj} < 75 \text{ GeV}$ and $m_{\text{top}} > 225 \text{ GeV}$		Different-flavor leptons

# The event selection in detail (2)

Table 4: Summary of the event selection criteria in the 0-, 1- and 2-lepton channels for the dijet-mass analysis, applied in addition to those described in Table 2 for the multivariate analysis.

Channel			
Selection	0-lepton	1-lepton	2-lepton
$m_T^W$	-	< 120 GeV	-
$E_T^{\text{miss}} / \sqrt{S_T}$	-	-	< 3.5 $\sqrt{\text{GeV}}$

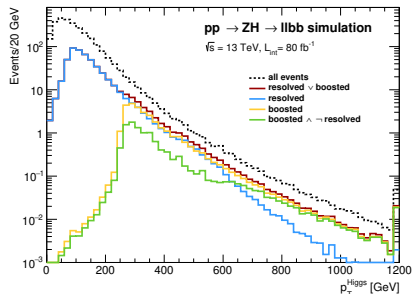
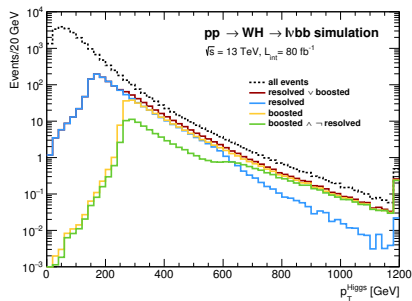
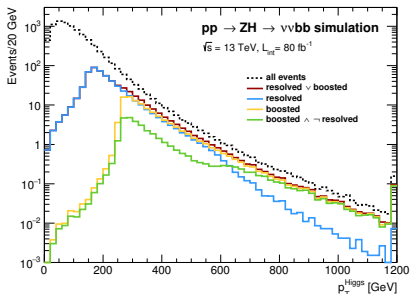
$p_T^V$ regions			
$p_T^V$	(75, 150] GeV (2-lepton only)	(150, 200] GeV	(200, $\infty$ ) GeV
$\Delta R(\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2)$	<3.0	<1.8	<1.2



# Closer Look: The Higgs boson $p_T$

## Information:

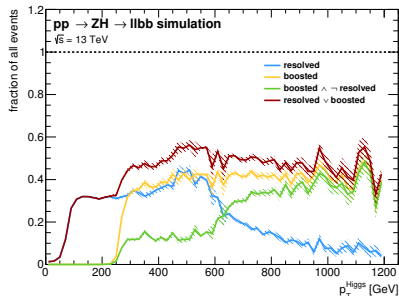
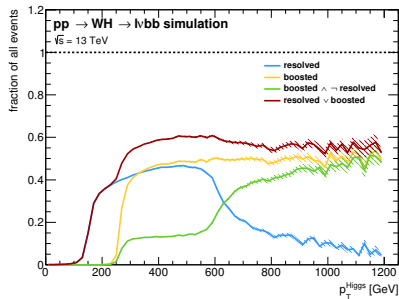
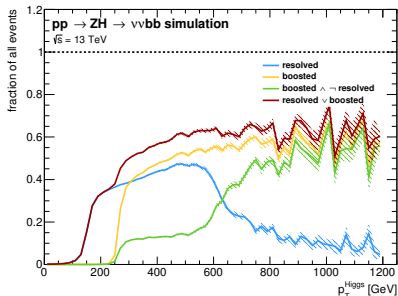
- ▶ The transverse momentum of the underlying Higgs boson is shown for all three charged lepton subchannels separately.
- ▶ The reference ("all events") has no preselection applied.



# Closer Look: Relative fraction of each category

## Information:

- ▶ The categories' relative fraction as a function of the transverse momentum of the underlying Higgs boson is shown for all three charged lepton subchannels separately.
- ▶ The reference ("all events") has no preselection applied.



# Generator study: Expected inclusive signal yields

## Expected inclusive signal yields:

	0 lepton	1 lepton	2 lepton	combined
all	$8226 \pm 5$	$21\,552 \pm 9$	$2774 \pm 3$	$32\,550 \pm 10$
resolved	$524.4 \pm 0.7$	$1133.6 \pm 0.8$	$489 \pm 2$	$2147 \pm 2$
boosted	$103.8 \pm 0.3$	$248.8 \pm 0.3$	$29.3 \pm 0.3$	$381.9 \pm 0.5$
boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	$32.1 \pm 0.2$	$77.8 \pm 0.2$	$10.7 \pm 0.3$	$120.6 \pm 0.4$
resolved $\vee$ boosted	$556.5 \pm 0.7$	$1211.4 \pm 0.8$	$500 \pm 2$	$2267 \pm 2$

# Counting events: Expected signal yields

Expected signal yields for  $p_T^{\text{Higgs}} > 500 \text{ GeV}$ :

	0 lepton	1 lepton	2 lepton	combined
all	$16.86 \pm 0.11$	$48.8 \pm 0.2$	$5.7 \pm 0.1$	$71.4 \pm 0.2$
resolved	$6.11 \pm 0.05$	$17.01 \pm 0.08$	$1.79 \pm 0.04$	$24.91 \pm 0.11$
boosted	$9.16 \pm 0.06$	$24.02 \pm 0.10$	$2.33 \pm 0.05$	$35.51 \pm 0.12$
boosted $\wedge$ -resolved	$4.38 \pm 0.04$	$11.79 \pm 0.07$	$1.15 \pm 0.04$	$17.33 \pm 0.09$
resolved $\vee$ boosted	$10.49 \pm 0.07$	$28.80 \pm 0.11$	$2.95 \pm 0.06$	$42.24 \pm 0.14$

## Conclusions:

- ▶ At very high  $p_T^H$  **boosted reconstruction** is the way to go ...
- ▶ The expected number of signal events is smallest in the 2-lepton channel → How much does this further decrease after the full detector simulation?
- ▶ The 1-lepton subchannel might be of high interest since the BR penalty is not that big ...

**Yields at ultra high  $p_T^V$**

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## 2I: Event yields and expected observation significance

Event yields and expected stat. significance:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved	resolved ( $p_T^V > 250$ GeV)
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$11.5 \pm 0.2$	$2.30 \pm 0.10$	$81.8 \pm 0.6$	$12.9 \pm 0.2$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$413 \pm 10$	$224 \pm 9$	$8964 \pm 79$	$397 \pm 8$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$0.95 \pm 0.09$	$0.25 \pm 0.05$	$1.61 \pm 0.06$	$1.30 \pm 0.10$
$Z_{\text{exp}}^{\text{contr.}}$	$0.82 \pm 0.02$	$0.226 \pm 0.012$	$1.353 \pm 0.011$	$1.04 \pm 0.02$

## 2 lep: Yields and expected stat. significances at ultra high $p_T^V$

Requiring  $p_T^V > 500$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$1.12 \pm 0.07$	$0.54 \pm 0.04$	$0.55 \pm 0.05$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$18.9 \pm 1.3$	$10.7 \pm 1.0$	$19.9 \pm 1.3$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$0.54 \pm 0.13$	$0.36 \pm 0.12$	$0.29 \pm 0.08$

Only  $qq \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell b\bar{b}$   
for  $80 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ !

Requiring  $p_T^V > 600$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$0.47 \pm 0.04$	$0.31 \pm 0.03$	$0.14 \pm 0.02$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$7.3 \pm 0.8$	$4.3 \pm 0.7$	$8.6 \pm 0.8$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$0.39 \pm 0.13$	$0.38 \pm 0.15$	$0.12 \pm 0.06$

# 1 lep: Yields and expected stat. significances

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$54.4 \pm 1.2$	$18.3 \pm 0.7$	$195 \pm 2$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$6920 \pm 90$	$5650 \pm 80$	$23100 \pm 300$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$1.03 \pm 0.08$	$0.37 \pm 0.05$	$2.24 \pm 0.10$

Requiring  $p_T^V > 250$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$49.1 \pm 1.1$	$15.3 \pm 0.6$	$52.8 \pm 1.2$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$4670 \pm 70$	$3620 \pm 60$	$1920 \pm 240$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$1.15 \pm 0.10$	$0.39 \pm 0.06$	$2.1 \pm 0.2$



# 1 lep: Yields and expected stat. significances at ultra high $p_T^V$

Requiring  $p_T^V > 500$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$6.1 \pm 0.4$	$3.3 \pm 0.3$	$2.0 \pm 0.2$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$362 \pm 18$	$275 \pm 17$	$78 \pm 13$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$0.58 \pm 0.08$	$0.35 \pm 0.06$	$0.26 \pm 0.04$

Requiring  $p_T^V > 600$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$2.4 \pm 0.2$	$1.6 \pm 0.2$	$0.39 \pm 0.08$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$142 \pm 12$	$106 \pm 11$	$29 \pm 5$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$0.31 \pm 0.05$	$0.25 \pm 0.04$	$0.08 \pm 0.02$

## 0 lep: Yields and expected stat. significances

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$23.8 \pm 0.6$	$2.4 \pm 0.2$	$180 \pm 2$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$1180 \pm 30$	$470 \pm 20$	$20400 \pm 200$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$1.20 \pm 0.13$	$0.27 \pm 0.05$	$2.15 \pm 0.08$

Requiring  $p_T^V > 250$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$21.3 \pm 0.6$	$2.0 \pm 0.2$	$38.1 \pm 0.7$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$850 \pm 20$	$322 \pm 14$	$1050 \pm 30$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$1.29 \pm 0.13$	$0.26 \pm 0.04$	$2.2 \pm 0.2$

# 0 lep: Yields and expected stat. significances at ultra high $p_T^V$

Requiring  $p_T^V > 500$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$2.1 \pm 0.2$	$0.79 \pm 0.09$	$1.40 \pm 0.12$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$38 \pm 4$	$19 \pm 2$	$31 \pm 4$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$0.48 \pm 0.06$	$0.26 \pm 0.04$	$0.32 \pm 0.06$

Requiring  $p_T^V > 600$  GeV:

	boosted	boosted $\wedge$ $\neg$ resolved	resolved
$n_{\text{sig}}$	$0.87 \pm 0.08$	$0.48 \pm 0.06$	$0.33 \pm 0.05$
$n_{\text{bkg}}$	$17 \pm 2$	$10 \pm 2$	$11 \pm 3$
$Z_{\text{exp}}$	$0.27 \pm 0.04$	$0.24 \pm 0.04$	$0.24 \pm 0.04$