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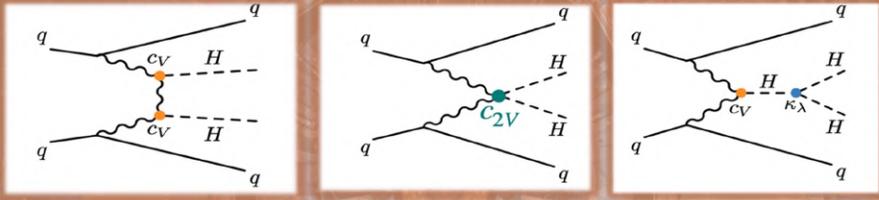
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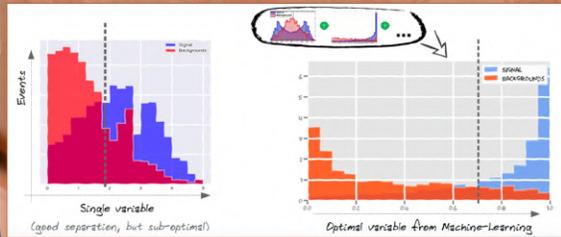
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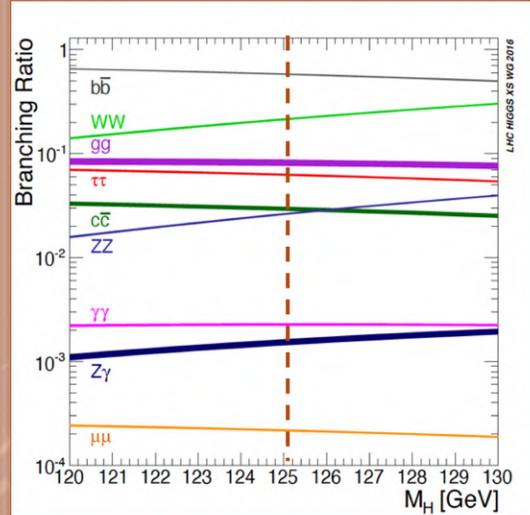
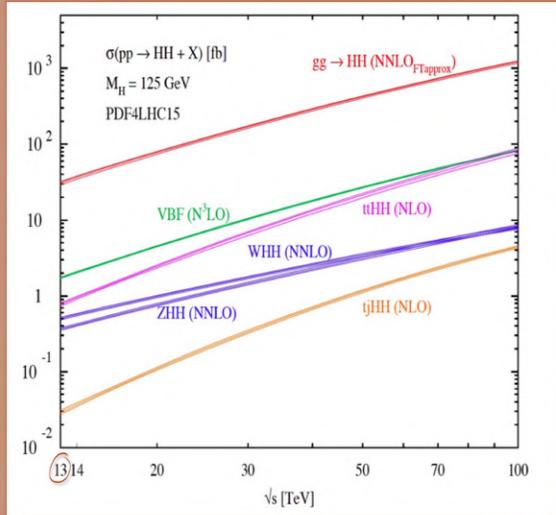
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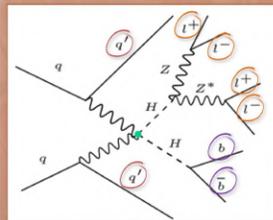
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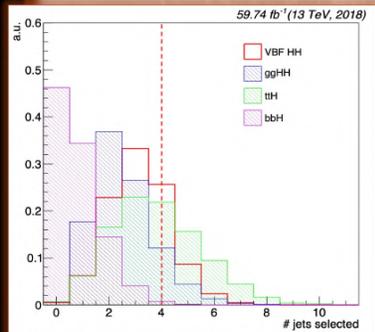
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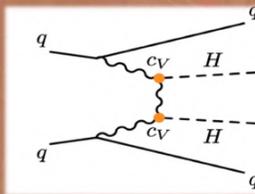
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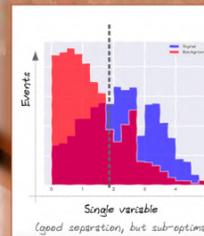


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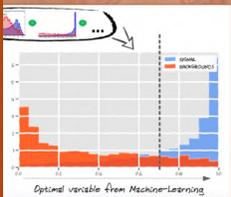
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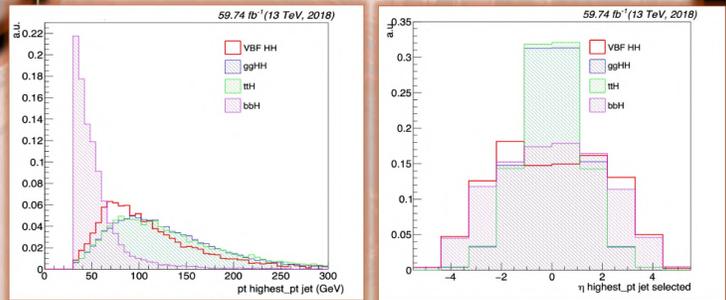
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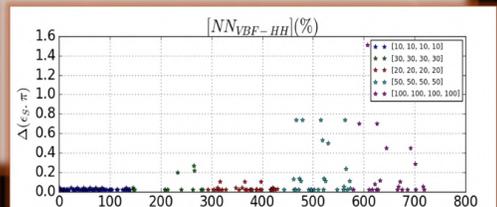
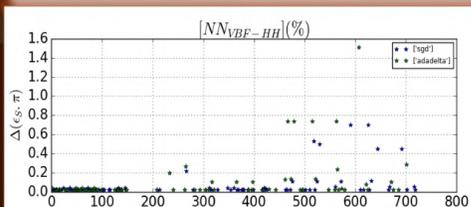
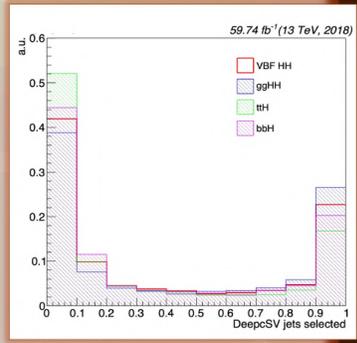
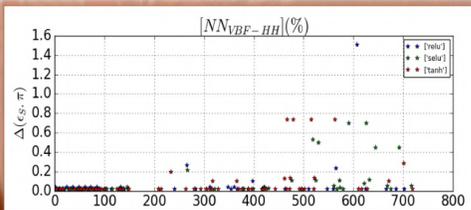
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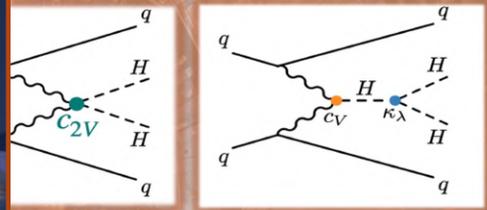
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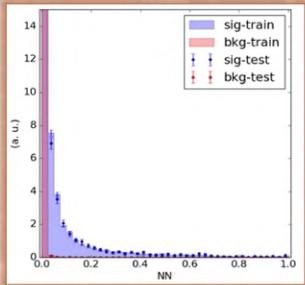
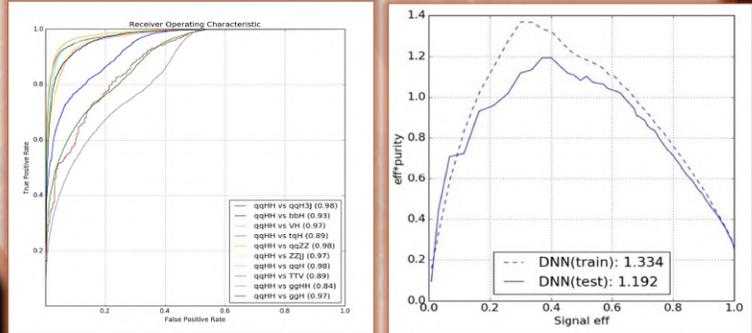
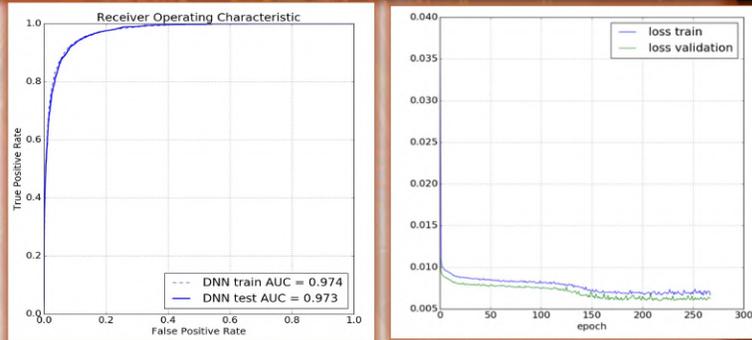
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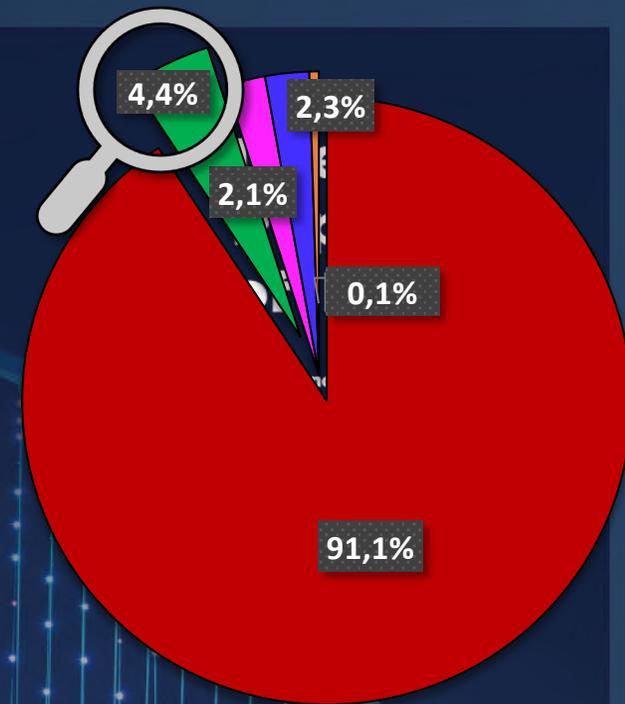
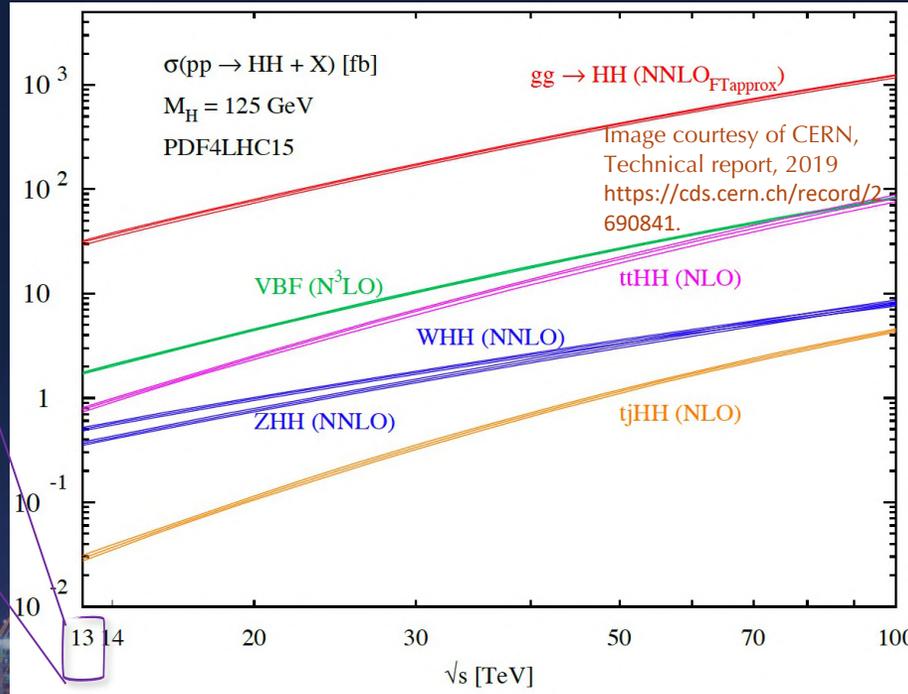
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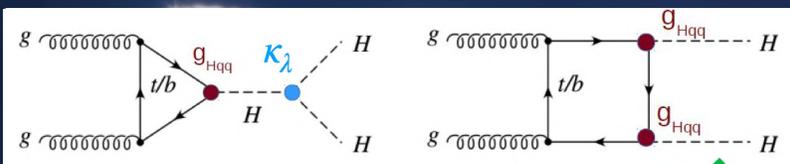
Motivation: the HH production mode

Production mode	σ [fb]
	$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
Gluon fusion	$33.49^{+4.3\%}_{-6.0\%}$ (scale) $\pm 2.1\%$ (PDF) $\pm 2.3\%$ (α_s) $\pm 5.0\%$ (top)
VBF	$1.62^{+2.3\%}_{-2.7\%}$ (scale) $\pm 2.3\%$ (PDF + α_s)
$t\bar{t}HH$	$0.772^{+1.7\%}_{-4.5\%}$ (scale) $\pm 3.2\%$ (PDF + α_s)
W^+HH	$0.329^{+0.32\%}_{-0.41\%}$ (scale) $\pm 2.2\%$ (PDF + α_s)
W^-HH	$0.173^{+1.2\%}_{-1.3\%}$ (scale) $\pm 2.8\%$ (PDF + α_s)
ZHH	$0.362^{+3.4\%}_{-2.6\%}$ (scale) $\pm 1.9\%$ (PDF + α_s)
$tjHH$	$0.0281^{+5.2\%}_{-3.2\%}$ (scale) $\pm 4.5\%$ (PDF + α_s)

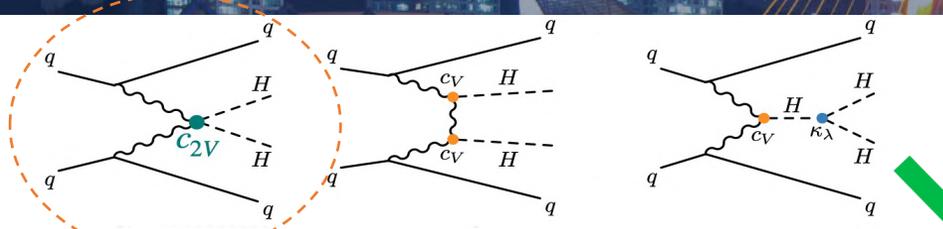
LHC center-of-mass energy!



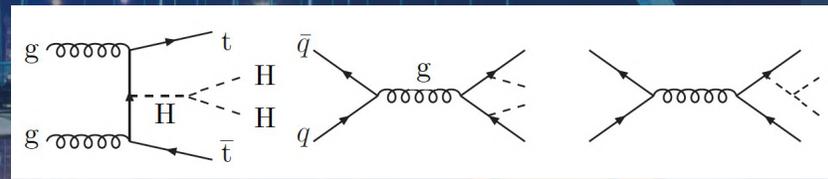
Gluon-gluon fusion (ggF)



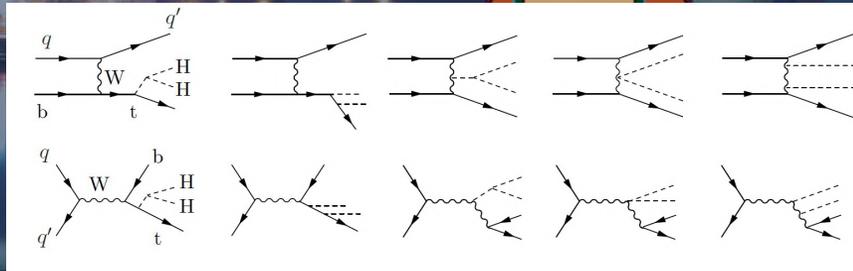
Vector boson fusion (VBF)



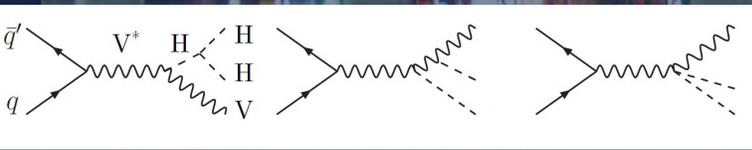
Top quark pair associated production/ Double Higgs bremsstrahlung off top quarks ($t\bar{t}HH$)



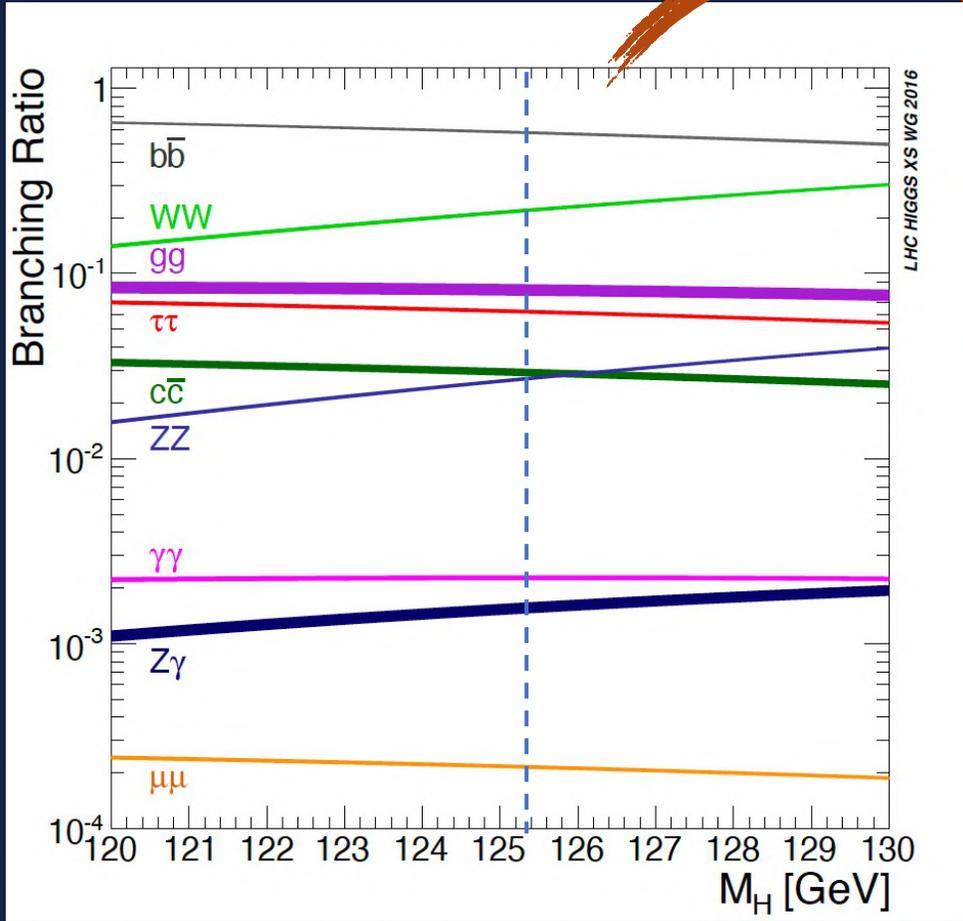
Single top quark associated production ($tjHH$)



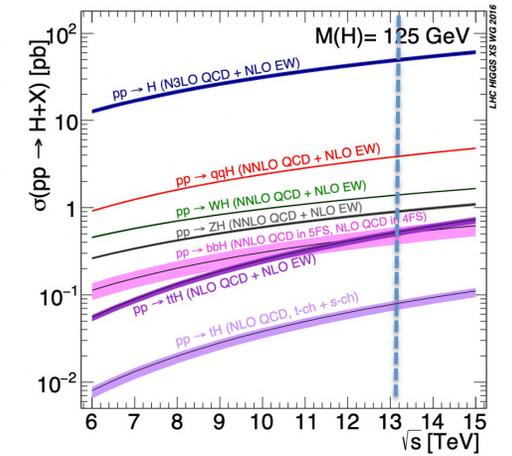
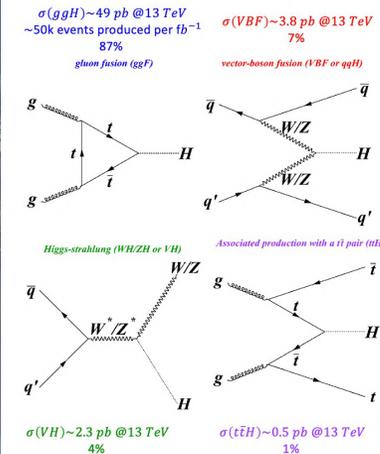
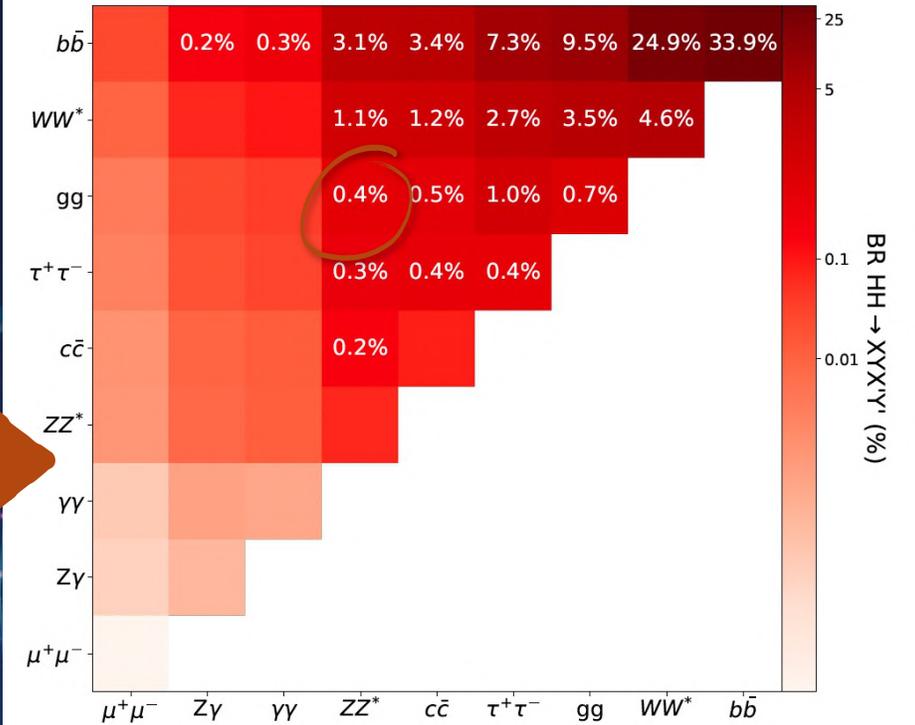
Double Higgs-strahlung/Vector boson associated production (VHH , $V = Z, W^+, W^-$)



Motivation: the HH decay mode



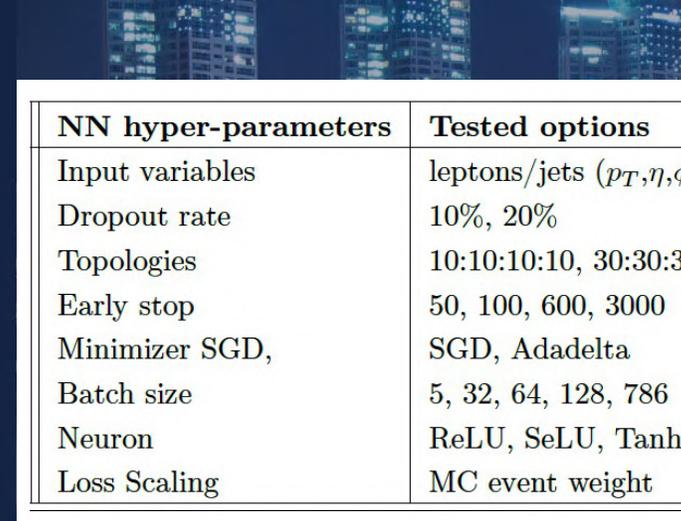
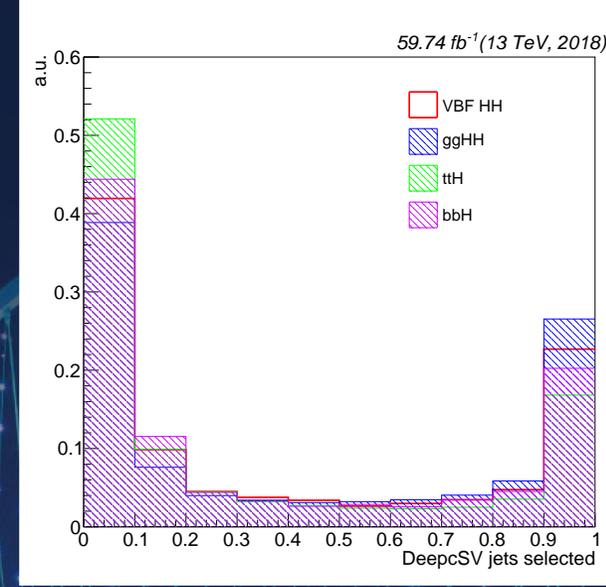
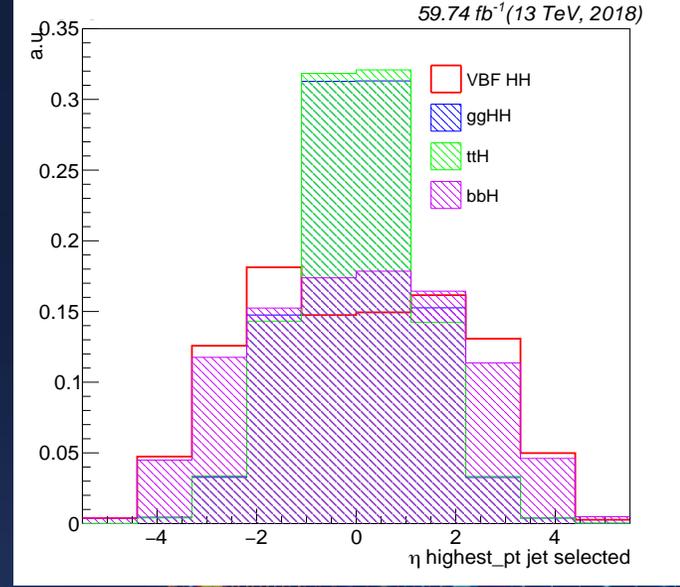
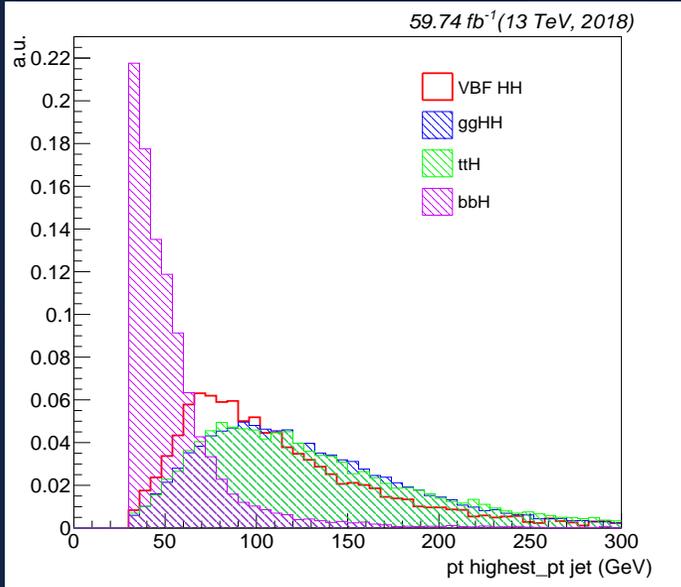
Decay mode	\mathcal{B} [%]
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	$58.09^{+0.72}_{-0.73}$
$H \rightarrow W^\pm W^\mp^*$	$21.52^{+0.33}_{-0.33}$
$H \rightarrow gg$	$8.18^{+0.42}_{-0.42}$
$H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$	$6.27^{+0.10}_{-0.10}$
$H \rightarrow c\bar{c}$	$2.88^{+0.16}_{-0.06}$
$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$	$2.641^{+0.040}_{-0.040}$
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	$0.2270^{+0.0047}_{-0.0047}$
$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$	$0.1541^{+0.0090}_{-0.0090}$
$H \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$	$0.02171^{+0.00036}_{-0.00037}$



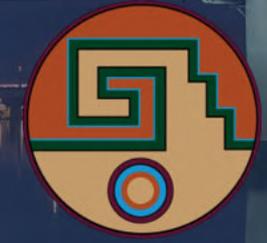
Scanning of the DNN hyper-parameters

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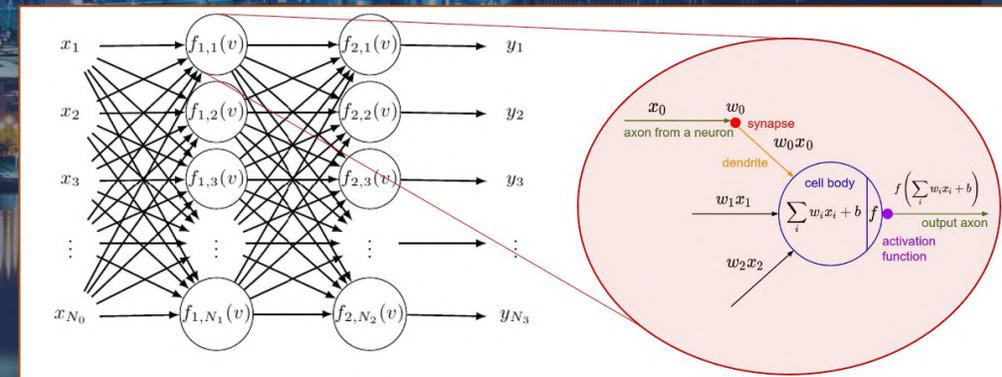
NN hyper-parameters	Tested options
Input variables	leptons/jets (p_T, η, ϕ), jets (Q/G Likelihood, DeepCsV)
Dropout rate	10%, 20%
Topologies	10:10:10:10, 30:30:30:30, 20:20:20:20, 50:50:50:50, ...
Early stop	50, 100, 600, 3000
Minimizer SGD,	SGD, Adadelta
Batch size	5, 32, 64, 128, 786
Neuron	ReLU, SeLU, Tanh
Loss Scaling	MC event weight



DNN training strategy

- The channels ($4e$, 4μ and $2e2\mu$ selected separately) are merged into just a sample for each MC (the channels will be randomized inside the sample);
- Each merged sample are divided into two independent sets:
 - A. Training set:** contains 80% of all events (from each sample) and is used to train ANNs;
 - B. Testing set:** contains remaining 20% of events and is used to test ANN after training;
- ANNs are built and trained via the open-source Keras (standard ML community tool) python package, not linked to TMVA.

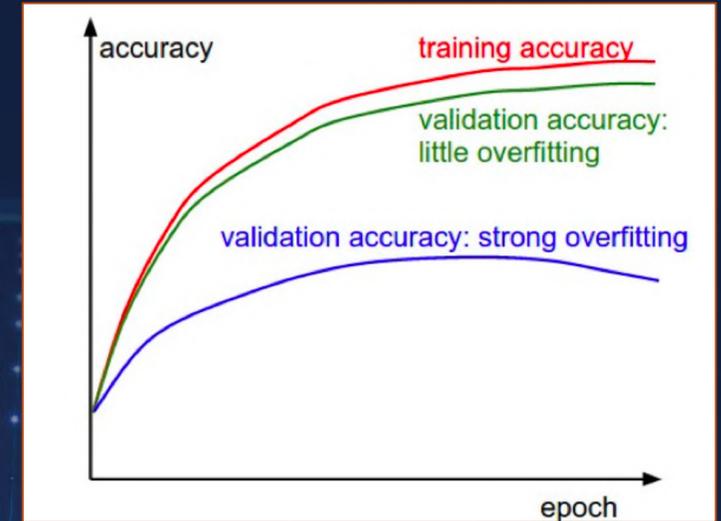
		Predicted Class		
		Positive	Negative	
Actual Class	Positive	True Positive (TP)	False Negative (FN) Type II Error	Sensitivity $\frac{TP}{(TP + FN)}$
	Negative	False Positive (FP) Type I Error	True Negative (TN)	Specificity $\frac{TN}{(TN + FP)}$
		Precision $\frac{TP}{(TP + FP)}$	Negative Predictive Value $\frac{TN}{(TN + FN)}$	Accuracy $\frac{TP + TN}{(TP + TN + FP + FN)}$



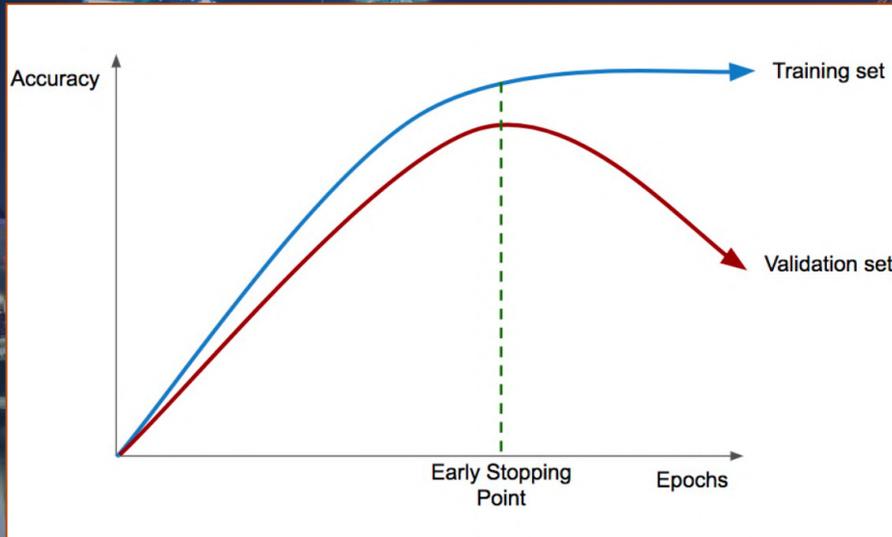
DNN over-training (over-fitting)

Gap between training and validation accuracy indicates the amount of overfitting.

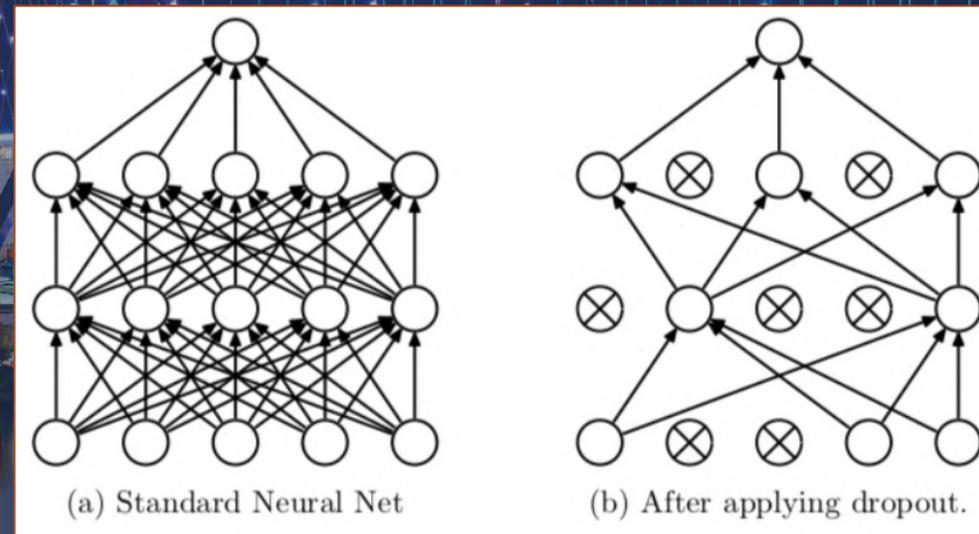
- If validation error curve shows small accuracy compared to training it indicates overfitting ⇒ add regularization (**Early Stopping & Dropout**) or use more data.



Early Stopping



Dropout



remove nodes randomly during training to avoid co-adaptation on training data