

ATLAS $t\bar{t}H$, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ analysis towards Run-2

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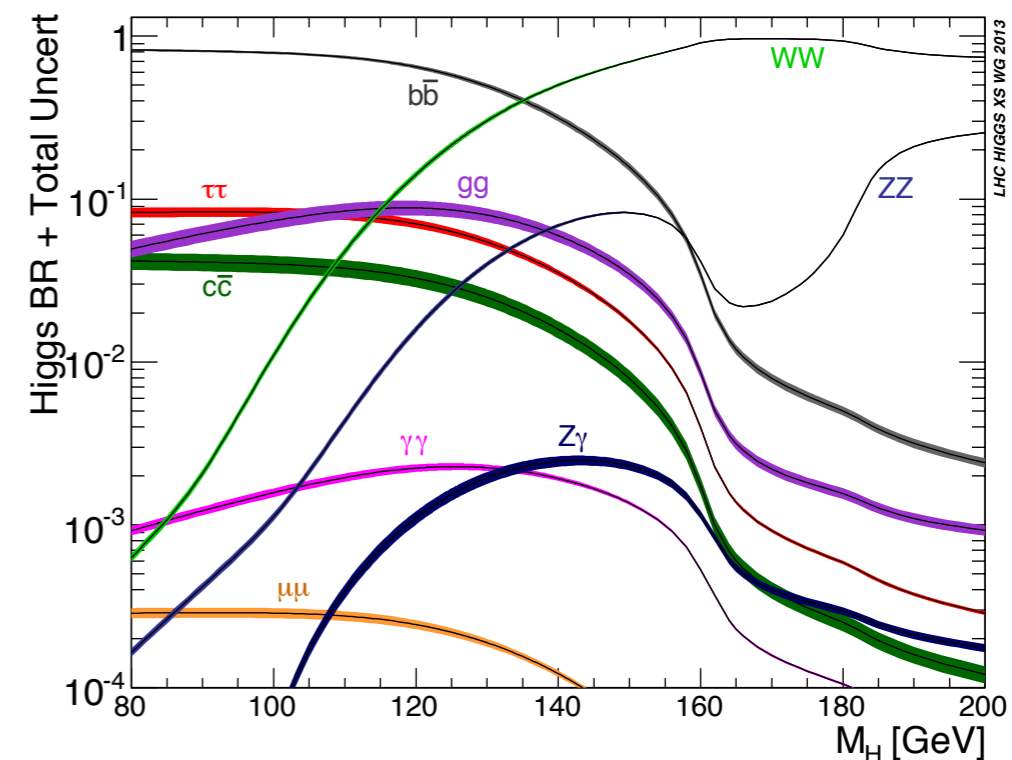
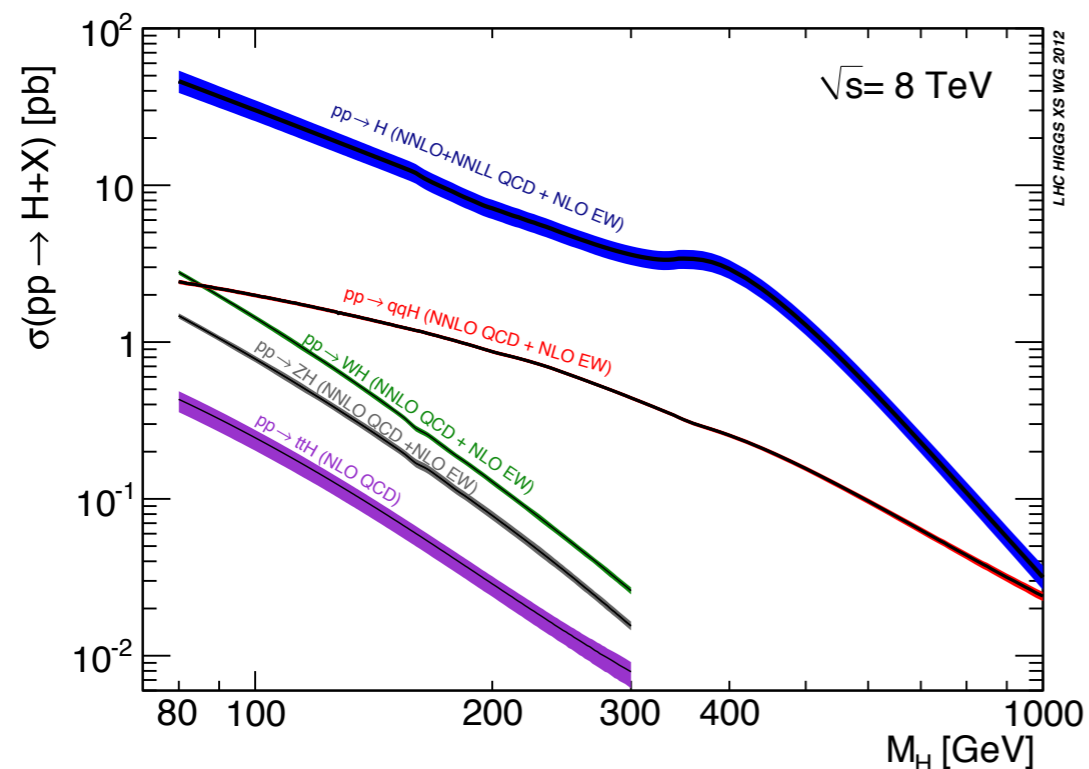


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Physics Motivation

- To observe Higgs production and decay modes in various channels, including $t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b} \rightarrow \text{SM Higgs ?}$
- Unique opportunity of **direct measurement of the top-Higgs Yukawa coupling** without making assumptions on possible BSM contributions
- Associated Higgs production ($t\bar{t}H$) to suppress overwhelming QCD multijet background, leaving $t\bar{t}$ +jets the dominant background

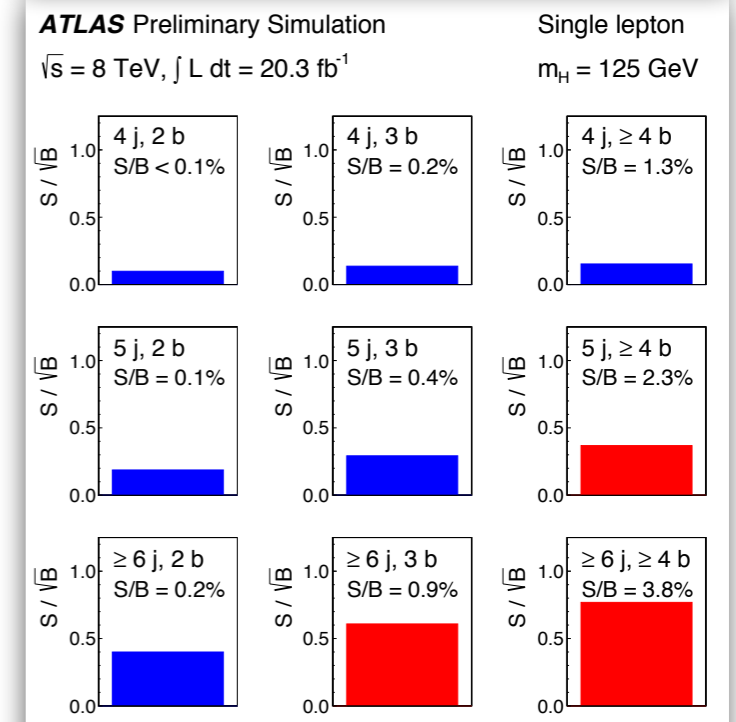
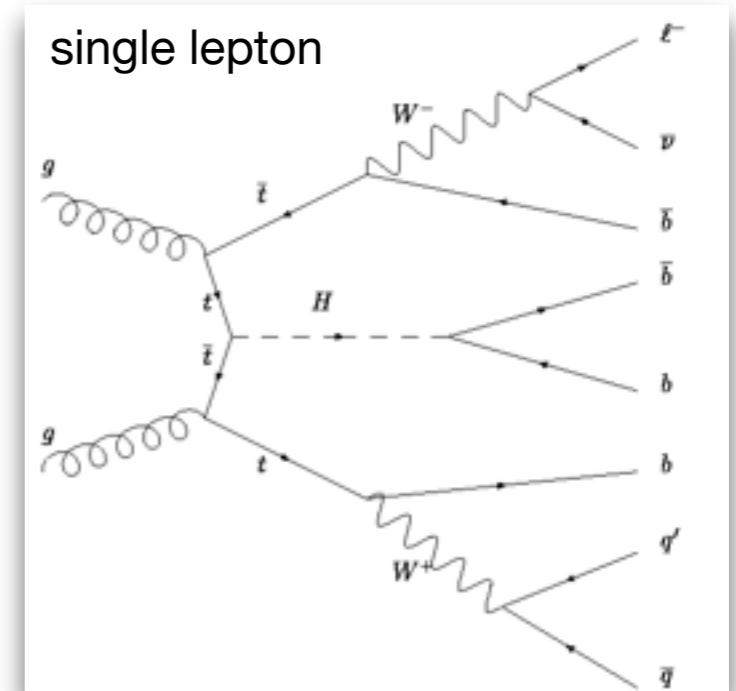




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- Signal signature
 - single lepton: 1 lepton (e/μ), 6 jets (4 b -jets)
 - di-lepton: 2 leptons, 4 jets (4 b -jets)
- Analysis strategy with 20 fb^{-1} 8 TeV data
 - categorise events in nJets and nBtags; signal-rich regions: **(5j, $\geq 4b$), ($\geq 6j$, 3b) and ($\geq 6j$, $\geq 6b$)**
 - simultaneous binned likelihood fit in multiple signal and background regions (Neural Network output and HT, respectively)
 - learn from background regions to limit or constraint effects of systematic uncertainties in the signal regions, e.g. $t\bar{t}$ +jets related

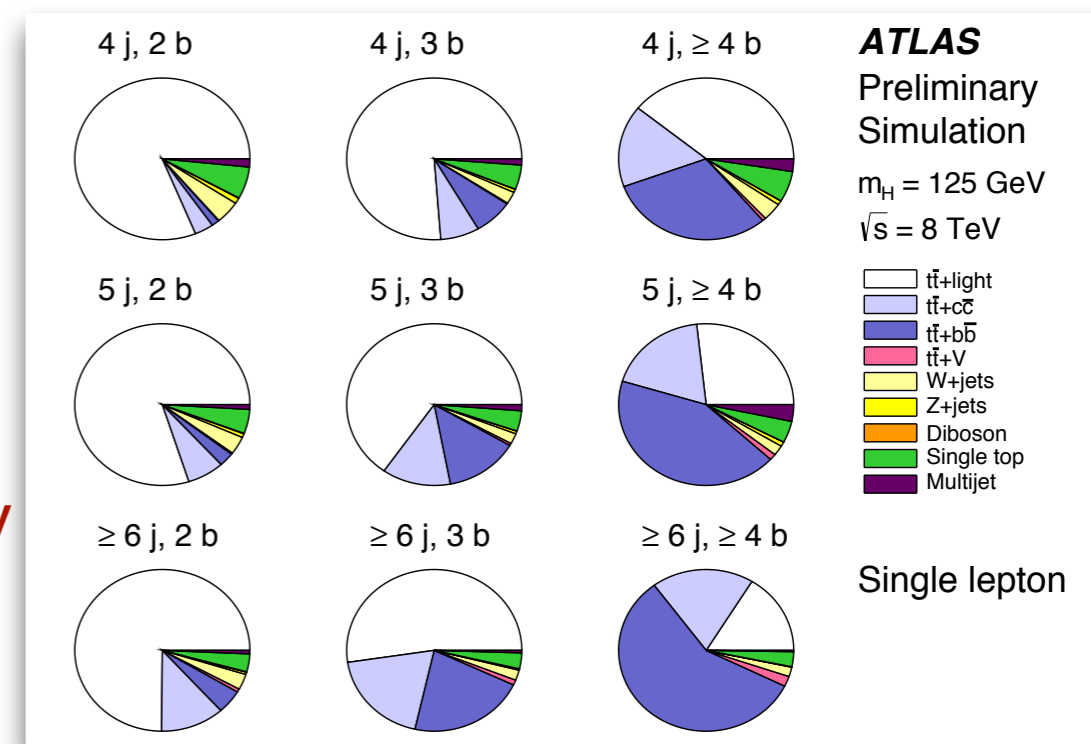




Signal and Background Modelling

- Signal sample $t\bar{t}H$ generated with POWHEL and showered with PYTHIA 8
- Dominant background sample $t\bar{t}$ +jets generated with POWHEG NLO generator and showered with PYTHIA 6
 - inclusive samples split into $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$, $t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$ and $t\bar{t}$ +light jets
 - $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}/c\bar{c}$ cross-checked with MADGRAPH 5 (à la CMS)
- Other background samples
 - W/Z+jets, WW/ZZ: Alpgen + PYTHIA 6
 - QCD multijet: data-driven

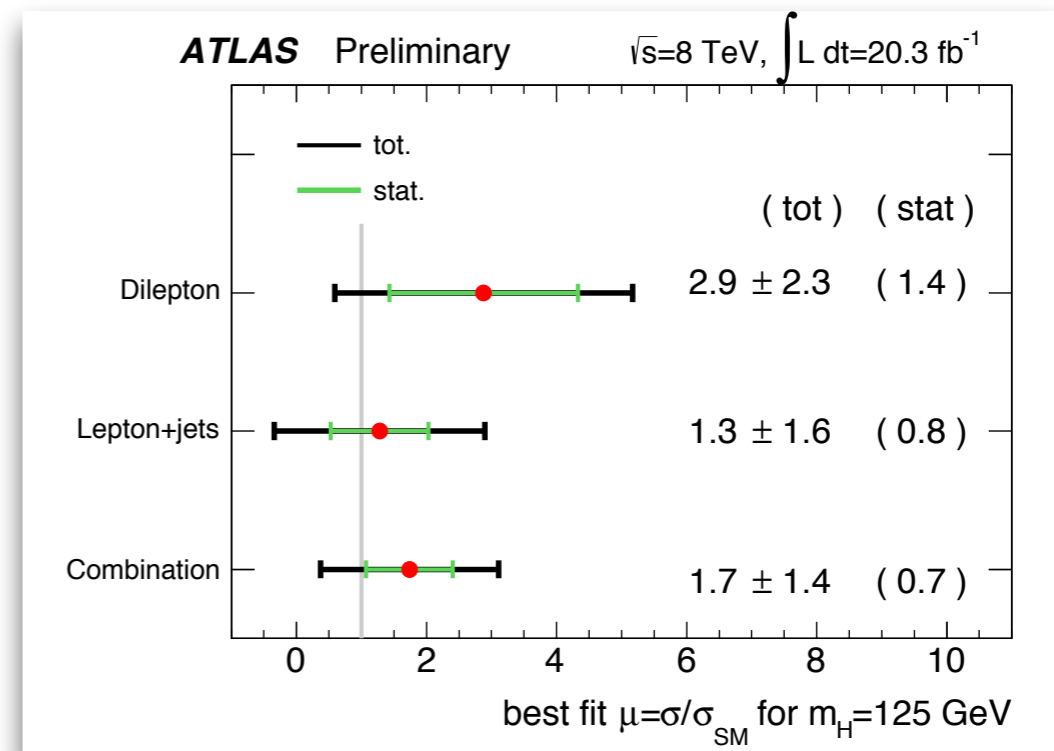
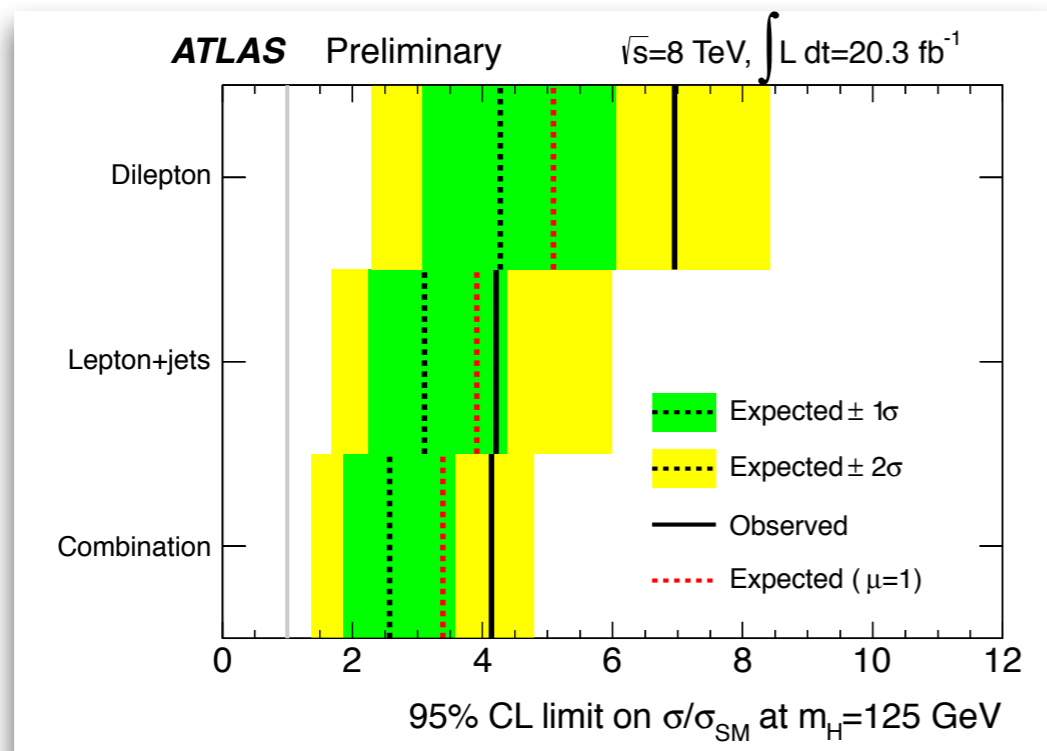
pT re-weighting applied to W+jets and $t\bar{t}$ +jets to improve data/MC agreement (motivated by 7 TeV top and W/Z analyses)





Preliminary Result

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- No significant excess; combined upper limits set ($m_H = 125$ GeV):
 - 4.1 (2.6) $\times \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$ for observed (expected), best fit $\mu = 1.7 \pm 1.4$
 - **syst. uncert.:** $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$ modelling, light jet mis-tagging, p_T reweighing
- Future improvements towards publication, e.g.
 - new discrimination variables from the Matrix Element calculation
[PRL 111, 091802 \(2013\)](#)



Analysis towards Run-2

- Raised center-of-mass energy to the design parameter 13/14 TeV
 - $t\bar{t}H$ cross-section increases faster than $t\bar{t}$ + jets \rightarrow better S/B
 - More **boosted objects** \rightarrow challenging but also more handles on reconstruction of final state objects
- Increased integrated luminosity to $\sim 250 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 - to probe rare processes, including $t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Improved detector performance, in particular **the Insertable B-layer (IBL)** \leftarrow 4th pixel detector layer mounted on the beam pipe
 - Enhanced track and vertex reconstruction capability \rightarrow **improved rejection of pileup tracks/vertices; improved b-tagging efficiency for the same light and c-jet rejection rate**

boosted

$t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$



Boosted $t\bar{t}H$, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ Analysis

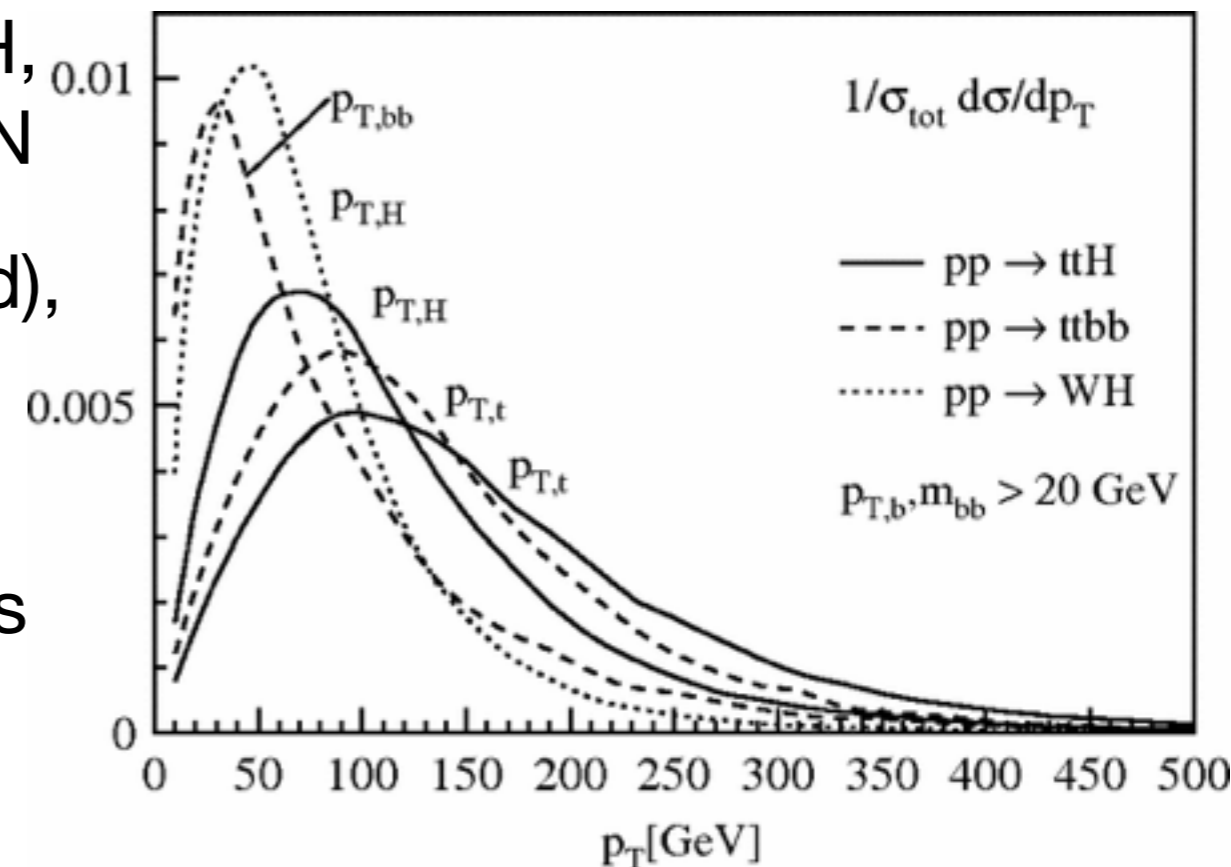
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- Harder Higgs and top p_T spectra in $t\bar{t}H$, compared to that in $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b} \rightarrow$ better S/N
- At high enough p_T (sufficiently boosted), decay products appear as heavy and collimated jets
- Conventional reconstruction algorithms fail to resolve the individual objects

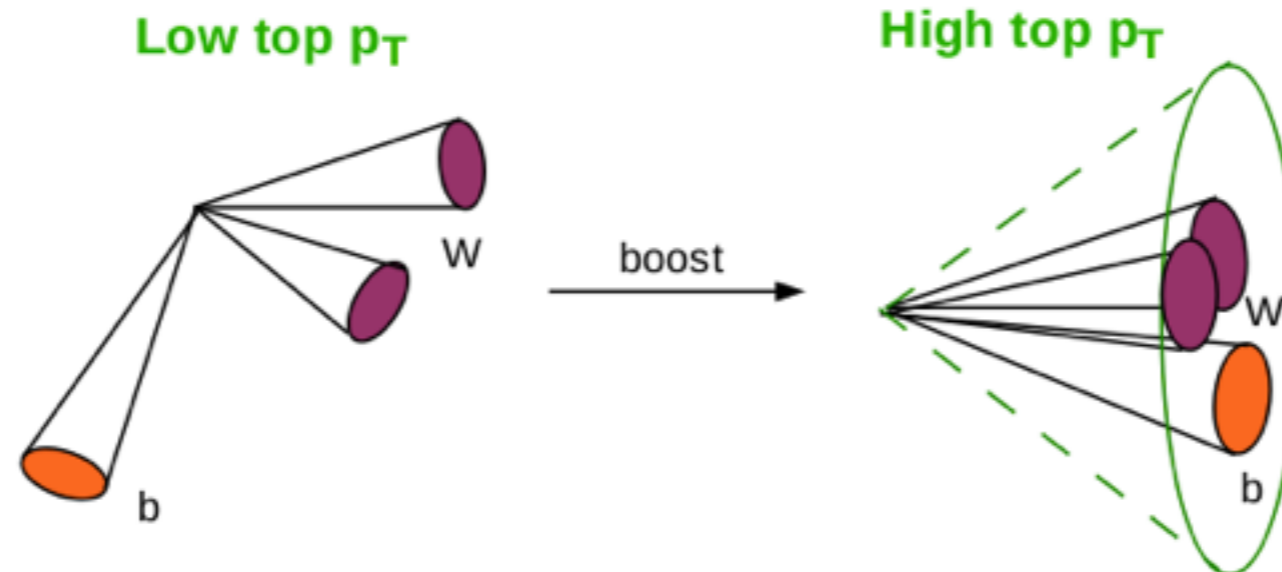


Fat jet & jet substructure

- In Higgs searches, first proposed for the search for $VH, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 242001](#)], and later $t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 104, 111801](#)]
- To tag both top and Higgs Fat jets in the $t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ analysis



Jet Substructure



- **Jet properties and substructure observables**, to distinguish fat jets formed by products from boosted heavy particles from those originating from QCD light quarks
 - Jet mass, kt splitting scales, N-subjettiness ...
- **Jet grooming algorithms**, to minimise impact of pileup and underlying events
 - mass-drop filtering, trimming and pruning
- Systematic studies with 7 TeV data published in [JHEP09\(2013\)076](#)

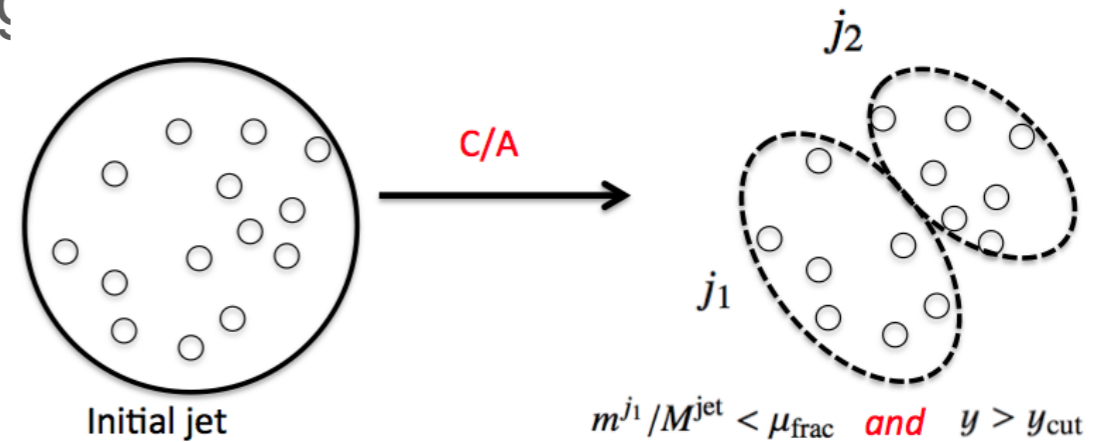


Mass Drop Filtering

- Designed to identify relatively symmetric subjects, each with significantly smaller mass, e.g. $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$.
- Mass-drop and symmetry: split the C/A jet into two subjets (reverse the jet clustering algorithm), requiring

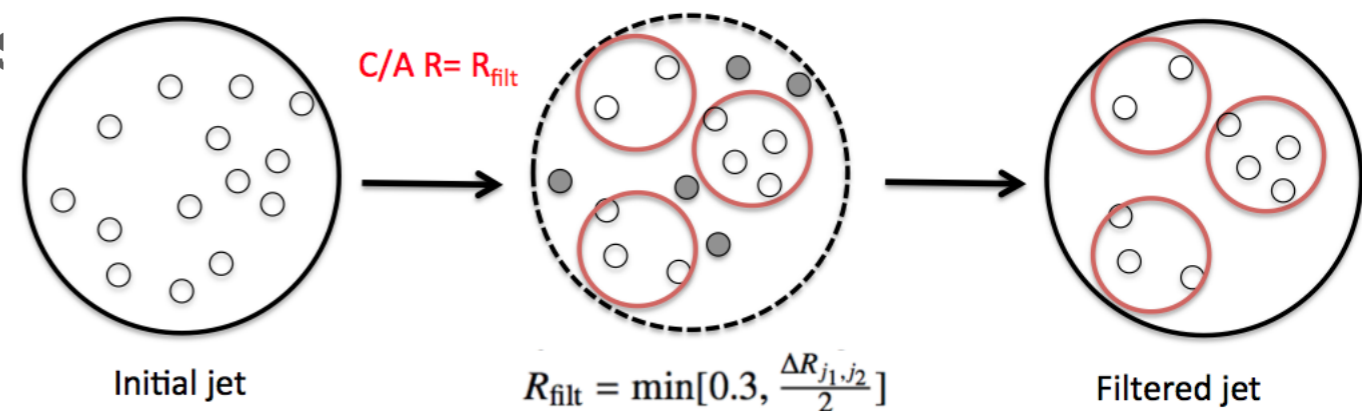
$$\max[m^{j1}, m^{j2}] / m^{\text{jet}} < \mu_{\text{frac}}$$

$$\frac{\min[(p_T^{j1})^2, (p_T^{j2})^2]}{(m^{\text{jet}})^2} \times \Delta R_{j1,j2}^2 > y_{\text{cut}}$$



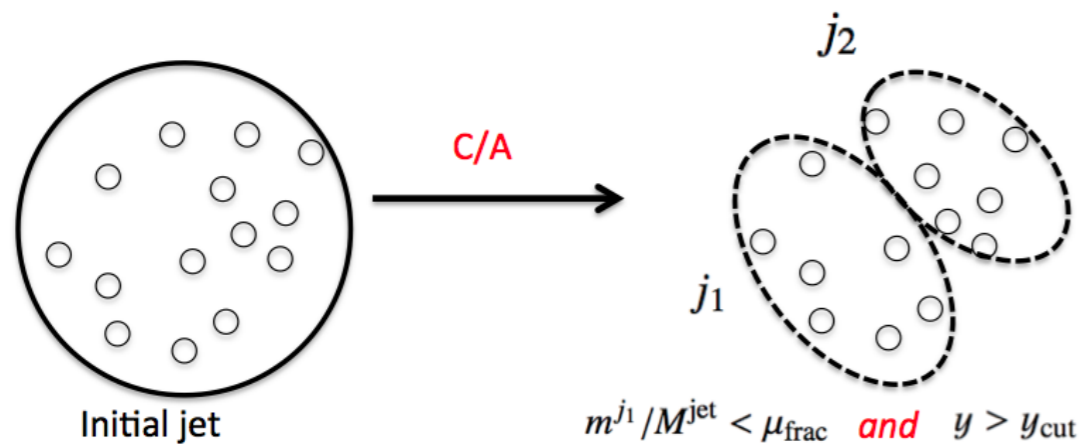
- Filtering: recluster three hardest

$$R_{\text{filt}} = \min[0.3, \Delta R_{j1,j2} / 2]$$



Mass-drop Filtering

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Mass-drop and symmetry: split the large- R C/A jet into two subjets (reverse the jet clustering algorithm), requiring

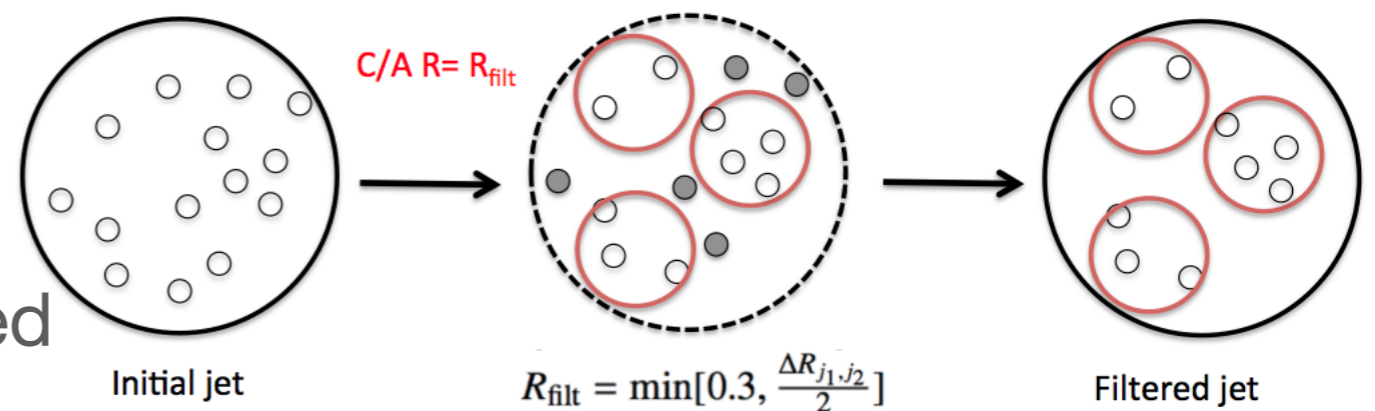
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Filtering: reconstruct three hardest subjets using the radius parameter R_{filt}

$$R_{\text{filt}} = \min[0.3, \Delta R_{j1,j2}/2]$$

soft constituents (pileup ...) discarded





Other Tagging Techniques

- Shower deconstruction
 - construct likelihood based on subjects variables in shower history
 - Phys. Rev. D 84, 074002, Phys. Rev. D 87, 054012, [ATLAS-CONF-2014-003](#)
- Buckets ([JHEP02\(2014\)130](#)) and Template Overlap method ([Phys. Rev. D 85, 114046](#), [JHEP07\(2013\)114](#))
 - new ideas, not yet fully explored with data

Explore the proposed techniques and find out the most suitable for top and Higgs tagging



Other Ingredients

- Subjet b -tagging
 - b -tagging of the subjects provide extra information but non-trivial
 - to utilise the full power of the tracking system (IBL!) and improve reconstruction algorithms to achieve the best performance
- Lepton isolation
 - lepton isolation critical in such busy environment
 - mini-isolation with variable cone size $\Delta R = KT/pT$ (already adopted for several 7/8 TeV analyses)
- Top background
 - Important to advance our understanding the top related background, in particular $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}/t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$
 - Better to measure them directly

Summary



- Reviewed the ATLAS $t\bar{t}H$, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ analysis with 8 TeV data
- Presented the analysis strategy of boosted $t\bar{t}H$, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ towards Run-2 and selected jet substructure techniques
- The result from the boosted $t\bar{t}H$, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ will be eventually combined with that from the resolved analysis, not mentioned though, to achieve higher sensitivity.
- Joint efforts, among both home and overseas participants (e.g. IHEP & SJTU), on certain topics are being pursued. **JOIN US** if you are interested.

DATA will tell us more ...



Backup



Discrimination Variables

Variable	Definition
Centrality	Sum of the p_T divided by sum of the E for all jets and the lepton
H1	Second Fox-Wolfram moment computed using all jets and the lepton
$m_{bb}^{\min \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of two b -tagged jets with the smallest ΔR
N_{40}^{jet}	Number of jets with $p_T \geq 40$ GeV
$\Delta R_{bb}^{\text{avg}}$	Average ΔR for all b -tagged jet pairs
$m_{jj}^{\max p_T}$	Mass of the combination of any two jets with the largest vector sum p_T
Aplanarity _{b-jet}	$1.5\lambda_2$, where λ_2 is the second eigenvalue of the momentum tensor built with only b -tagged jets
H_T^{had}	Scalar sum of jet p_T
$m_{jj}^{\min \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of any two jets with the smallest ΔR
$\Delta R_{\text{lep-bb}}^{\min \Delta R}$	ΔR between the lepton and the combination of two b -tagged jets with the smallest ΔR
$m_{bj}^{\min \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of a b -tagged jet and any jet with the smallest ΔR
$m_{bj}^{\max p_T}$	Mass of the combination of a b -tagged jet and any jet with the largest vector sum p_T
$m_{uu}^{\min \Delta R}$	Mass of the combination of two untagged jets with the smallest ΔR
p_T^{jet5}	Fifth leading jet p_T
$\Delta R_{bb}^{\max p_T}$	ΔR between two b -tagged jets with the largest vector sum p_T
$m_{bb}^{\max m}$	Mass of the combination of two b -tagged jets with the largest invariant mass
$p_{T,uu}^{\min \Delta R}$	Scalar sum of the p_T 's of the pair of untagged jets with the smallest ΔR
m_{jjj}	Mass of the jet triplet with the largest vector sum p_T
$\Delta R_{uu}^{\min \Delta R}$	Minimum ΔR between two untagged jets
$m_{bb}^{\max p_T}$	Mass of the combination of two b -tagged jets with the largest vector sum p_T

Table 4: List of variables used in the NN in the single lepton channel in at least one region. From the list, 10 variables are chosen in each region.



Ranking of the Variables

Variable	($\geq 6j, \geq 4b$)	($\geq 6j, 3b$)	($5j, \geq 4b$)	($5j, 3b$)
ΔR_{bb}^{avg}	1	5	5	-
$m_{bb}^{min \Delta R}$	2	9	3	1
Centrality	3	2	1	-
H1	4	3	2	-
p_T^{jet5}	5	8	-	-
Aplanarity _{b-jet}	6	-	7	-
$m_{uu}^{min \Delta R}$	7	7	-	2
$\Delta R_{bb}^{max p_T}$	8	-	-	-
$\Delta R_{lep-bb}^{min \Delta R}$	9	10	10	-
$m_{bj}^{max p_T}$	10	6	-	-
N_{40}^{jet}	-	1	4	-
$m_{bj}^{min \Delta R}$	-	4	-	-
$m_{jj}^{max p_T}$	-	-	6	-
H_T^{had}	-	-	8	-
$m_{jj}^{min \Delta R}$	-	-	9	-
$m_{bb}^{max m}$	-	-	-	3
$p_{T,uu}^{min \Delta R}$	-	-	-	4
m_{jjj}	-	-	-	5
$\Delta R_{uu}^{min \Delta R}$	-	-	-	6
$m_{bb}^{max p_T}$	-	-	-	7