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Search for H→WW in Atlas

Top Background in HWW VBF Analysis

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$H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow |_V|_V$

• HWW has a large BR and a clean di-lepton signature



 Due to missing energy not suitable for mass measurements but provides a direct access to coupling measurement.



• HWW analysis separated into two categories depending on Higgs production modes:



VBF HWW

plots taken from 1307.1427

- VBF second largest production mode, purely EW process.
- Two vector bosons radiated from the initial-state quarks producing a Higgs boson at the tree level.



- Specific signature:
 - 2 tag jets
 - large invariant mass of the two tag jets m_{jj}
 - high rapidity gap between the two tag jets ΔY_{jj}
 - no hadronic activity between the two tag jets (CJV)



VBF HWW analysis

- Apply a set of cuts after requiring two opposite sign leptons with $p_T > 25(15)$ GeV - more info. on slide 14, backup.
- Select events with ≥ 2 jets (VBF production) and split the selection by di-lepton flavours

DF: eµ - most sensitive

SF: µµ / ee - large DY bkg.

- Introduce control regions for background normalisation slide 16, backup.
- Transverse mass m_T is used to extract the signal strength.

$$m_{\rm T} = \sqrt{(E_{\rm T}^{\ell\ell} + E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss})^2 - |\mathbf{p}_{\rm T}^{\ell\ell} + \mathbf{E}_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}|^2} \qquad E_{\rm T}^{\ell\ell} = \sqrt{|\mathbf{p}_{\rm T}^{\ell\ell}|^2 + m_{\ell\ell}^2}.$$





Event yields at the end of event selection:

	eµ	µµ + ee	
WW	3.5 ± 0.4	2.8 ± 0.3	
top	4.4 ± 0.7	4.0±0.6	
Z/γ	1.9 ± 0.5	25±2	
W+jets	0.6 ± 0.3	0.1 ± 0.2	
vv	0.6 ± 0.2	1.6 ± 1.1	
ggF	1.3 ± 0.1	0.7 ± 0.1	
Total bkg.	12±1	34±2	
VBF signal	5.1 ± 0.1	3.7 ± 0.1	
Observed	23	42	

Top background

- The most dominant background, especially for DF final states.
- Define a top-enriched region (CR), requiring exactly one b-tagged jet since VBF phase space cuts prefer ttbar events with 1 true b-jet and one additional (ISR/FSR?) jet as leading jets.
- Normalise top background using data in order to scale MC predictions in SR.



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Additional jets in top CR

- Top bkg. estimation is sensitive to additional jets.
- How important is ISR/FSR for VBF Should we include it in our top sys
- Our ISR/FSR strategy:
 - use two samples with increase decreased (lessPS) ISR/FSR - tu parameters in Pythia - slide 21
 - central value is produced by A +Pythia - a leading order gene
 - estimate the I/FSR systematics
 0.5* (morePS lessPS)
- ISR/FSR systematic limited by the and statistical uncertainty from the gap fraction analysis.

Measurements constraining uncer

 e^+

W

 W^{-}

b

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- Study the fraction of ttbar events additional jet, in a central rapidity
- Alternatively take the sum of the p⊤ of into each rapidity region and define:

Use dilepton-channel events with \$vpottaggedos b-jets, to easily identify any additional jet(s).

Yellow band: **total** experimental uncertainty on data (statistical and systematic)

Four rapidity regions: |y| < 0.8, $0.8 \le |y| < 1.5$,

ISR/FSR at NLO



When using an NLO generator (already has 1 parton in ME) the spread between morePS(radHi) and lessPS(radLO) variations is smaller!

ISR/FSR - a truth level study

- To verify the results, perform a generator level study using MC@NLO(v4.10) + Herwig(v6.521,fortran) ttbar sample.
- Control the amount of ISR/FSR by modifying parameters in Herwig (private communication with prof. Bryan Webber):
 - → varying the veto on emissions in the parton showers with $p_T > SCALUP$.

SCALUP = SCALUP * **XSCA**

SCALUP = A \leftarrow ISCA = 0 SCALUP = B \leftarrow ISCA = 1 22 - back + 015

- Variations apply only to the event with a real emission in the NLO part (produced by a 0.1970 ME). 200
- By construction a beyond NLO effect and expected to be small.



- Maximal variations of XSCA and ISCA have only a small effect on kinematic distributions - more on slide 23, backup.
- When using an NLO generator the effect of ISR/FSR is only at the percent 1000 1200 1400
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Since ISR/FSR systematic is **negligible** compared to other leading sources it is **not included** in top theory systematic.

Summary

- A brief overview of HWW analysis was presented, with a greater focus on VBF production mode and top background.
- The top background theory systematic in VBF HWW analysis is estimated by comparing extrapolation factors for MC@NLO (baselineNLO) and Alpgen (multi-leg) generators and is found to be 15% (39% total uncertainty on the top background).
- What is the magnitude of ISR/FSR systematic? Should it be included in the top theory systematic?
- Estimating ISR/FSR systematic by a LO generator gives a larger estimation than when using an NLO generator (already models one additional jet).
- Additional checks were performed by privately produced MC@NLO + Herwig (NLO) ttbar sample at the truth level with varied ISR/FSR contribution.
- Maximal variations of the parameters controlling ISR/FSR in Herwig show discrepancies only at the percent level.
- ISR/FSR effects on the ttbar background are found to be small and therefore do not constitute as a relevant source of systematic uncertainty on this crucial background in the HWW VBF measurement.

Thank you for your attention!

Backup

References

- ATLAS Higgs Coupling, July 2013 (PLB, arxiv)
- ATLAS HWW note, March 2013 (ATLAS-CONF-2013-030)
- ATLAS gap fraction analyses:
 - May 2014 (<u>ATL-PHYS-PUB-2014-005</u>)
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 - June 2013 (<u>Eur.Phys.J. C72 (2012) 2043</u>)

ATLAS detector



Cuts in VBF HWW

VBF cutbased analysis stage	cut	value		
	lepton pT	> 25(15) for leading (subleading) lepton		
preselection	m	> 10(12) GeV for DF(SF)		
	lepton charge	opposite		
	MET	> 20(45,[35]) GeV for DF(SF [STVF])		
Z/DY rejection	Z/γ-veto (SF only)	m _{ii}		
	Z/γ-ττ veto (DF only)	mπ		
top bkg. rejection	b-veto	\checkmark		
	рт	< 45GeV		
	m	> 500 GeV		
	ΙΔΥ	> 2.8		
VBF decay topology	CJV	✓ (< 20 GeV)		
	OLV	\checkmark		
H->WW->lvlv decay topology	Δφ	< 1.8		
	m	< 60 GeV		
	m	discriminating variable		

Object selection

leptons:

- Single lepton trigger p_T >24 GeV
- Leading lepton
 p_T >24 GeV
- Subleading lepton p_T > 15 GeV
- Electrons
- Muons
- Tracks

- |ŋ|<2.47 |ŋ|<2.5
- Isolation and impact parameter cuts

jets:

- Jets Ar
- Central Jets in VBF
- B-tagging

MET

Anti- k_T with R=0.4 Anti- k_T with R=0.4, $p_T > 20$ GeV Neural Network at 85% operating point.

MET:

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- Calorimeter based
- MET_{STVF} Calo. weight the unassociated clusters by f_{JVF}
- MET_{trk} Track based

Backgrounds in VBF HWW



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SF

Complete Event Yields

For VBF HWW:

Nobs	N _{bkg}	N _{sig,VBF}	N _{sig,ggF}	N_{WW}	N_{VV}	$N_{t\bar{t}}$	N_t	N_{Z/γ^*}	N_{W+jets}
48723	47740 ± 80	43 ± 1	67 ± 1	940 ± 10	300 ± 20	41800 ± 70	2370 ± 20	1800 ± 30	440 ± 10
5852	5690 ± 30	31 ± 1	49 ± 1	690 ± 10	200 ± 10	2930 ± 20	350 ± 10	1300 ± 20	171 ± 5
4790	4620 ± 30	27 ± 1	41 ± 1	590 ± 10	160 ± 10	2320 ± 20	290 ± 10	1100 ± 20	126 ± 4
4007	3840 ± 30	25 ± 1	38 ± 1	540 ± 10	140 ± 10	2150 ± 20	260 ± 10	600 ± 20	108 ± 4
696	680 ± 10	12 ± 0.2	9.5 ± 0.3	100 ± 2	25 ± 3	380 ± 10	55 ± 3	95 ± 5	19 ± 2
198	170 ± 4	7.5 ± 0.1	2.9 ± 0.2	34 ± 1	5.6 ± 0.6	93 ± 3	11 ± 1	19 ± 2	4.4 ± 0.7
p 92	77 ± 2	6.3 ± 0.1	1.7 ± 0.2	25 ± 1	2.8 ± 0.4	30 ± 2	5.2 ± 0.8	9 ± 1	3.1 ± 0.6
o 78	59 ± 2	6.1 ± 0.1	1.6 ± 0.1	19 ± 1	2.1 ± 0.3	22 ± 1	4.3 ± 0.7	7 ± 1	2.4 ± 0.5
31	16 ± 1	5.5 ± 0.1	1.5 ± 0.1	3.8 ± 0.4	0.7 ± 0.2	4.5 ± 0.7	0.7 ± 0.3	4.4 ± 0.8	1.0 ± 0.4
23	12 ± 1	5.1 ± 0.1	1.3 ± 0.1	3.5 ± 0.4	0.6 ± 0.2	3.7 ± 0.7	0.7 ± 0.3	1.9 ± 0.5	0.6 ± 0.3
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(a) $e\mu + \mu e$ channel

(b) $ee + \mu\mu$ channel										
Selection	Nobs	N _{bkg}	N _{sig,VBF}	N _{sig,ggF}	N _{WW}	N _{VV}	N _{tī}	N _t	N_{Z/γ^*}	N_{W+jets}
$N_{\text{iet}} \ge 2$	32877	32300 ± 100	26 ± 0.7	40 ± 1	540 ± 6	180 ± 10	24540 ± 60	1390 ± 20	5420 ± 90	190 ± 10
$N_{b-\text{jet}} = 0$	65388	6370 ± 80	19 ± 0.6	30 ± 1	390 ± 5	130 ± 10	1750 ± 20	200 ± 10	3810 ± 80	58 ± 4
$p_{\rm T}^{\rm tot} < 45$	4903	4830 ± 70	17 ± 0.5	24 ± 1	340 ± 4	92 ± 5	1370 ± 10	170 ± 10	2790 ± 70	43 ± 3
$ \Delta y_{ii} > 2.8$	958	930 ± 30	8.1 ± 0.2	6.2 ± 0.3	61 ± 2	12 ± 1.3	252 ± 6	35 ± 2	560 ± 30	6 ± 1
$m_{ii} > 500$	298	245 ± 6	5.5 ± 0.1	2.1 ± 0.2	23 ± 1	4.1 ± 1.1	62 ± 3	9 ± 1	142 ± 5	1.4 ± 0.6
No jets in y ga	ap 147	119 ± 4	4.7 ± 0.1	1.1 ± 0.1	17 ± 1	2.8 ± 1.1	19 ± 1	4.1 ± 0.7	74 ± 3	0.7 ± 0.4
Both ℓ in y ga	.p 108	85 ± 3	4.5 ± 0.1	0.9 ± 0.1	12 ± 1	2.3 ± 1.1	14 ± 1	3.1 ± 0.6	51 ± 3	0.3 ± 0.3
$m_{\ell\ell} < 60^{\circ}$	52	40 ± 2	4.0 ± 0.1	0.8 ± 0.1	3.2 ± 0.3	1.6 ± 1.1	3.7 ± 0.6	0.8 ± 0.3	30 ± 2	0.1 ± 0.2
$ \Delta \phi_{\ell\ell} < 1.8$	42	34 + 2	37 + 01	0.7 ± 0.1	28 ± 03	16 + 11	33+05	0.7 ± 0.3	25 + 2	0.1 ± 0.2

Units for m, p in GeV.

Only statistical uncertainties.

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Signal Strength and Systematic Uncertainties for VBF HWW

Fitting m_T to extract signal strength:



Final event yields:

Observed	Signal	Total Bkg
55	10.9±1.4	36 ± 4

The best-fit measured signal strength for m_H =125GeV for 7 and 8TeV data:

 μ_{obs} (VBF)=1.7±0.7(stat)± 0.4(syst)

Top 10 leading bkg. relative uncertainties on the total bkg. yields in the combined $e\mu+\mu e$ VBF channel

source	relative uncertainty on bkg. [%]
b-tagging efficiency	7.88
QCD scale VV+2jets	7.61
top bkg. theory syst.	5.43
JER	3.9
top normalisation using CR	3.85
QCD scale VV accept	3.62
JES 2012 modelling	2.72
JES FlavComp HWW	2.32
QCD scale, ggF+2jets H Xsec	2.32
QCD scale ggF+3jets H Xsec	2.3

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H→WW → IvIv signal strength



Full Systematic Uncertainties and Event Yields

Table 8: For $m_H = 125$ GeV, the leading systematic uncertainties for the 8 TeV $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow \ell \nu \ell \nu$ analysis. All numbers are summed over lepton flavours. Sources contributing less than 4% are omitted, and individual entries below 1% are indicated with a '-'. Relative signs indicate correlation and anticorrelation (migration) between the N_{jet} categories represented by adjacent columns, and a \pm indicates an uncorrelated uncertainty. The exception is the jet energy scale and resolution, which includes multiple sources of uncertainty treated as correlated across categories but uncorrelated with each other. All rows are uncorrelated.

Source	$N_{\rm jet} = 0$	$N_{\rm jet} = 1$	$N_{\rm jet} \ge 2$
Theoretical uncertainties on total signal	yield (%)		
QCD scale for ggF, $N_{jet} \ge 0$	+13	-	-
QCD scale for ggF, $N_{jet} \ge 1$	+10	-27	-
QCD scale for ggF, $N_{jet} \ge 2$	-	-15	+4
QCD scale for ggF, $N_{jet} \ge 3$	-	-	+4
Parton shower and underlying event	+3	-10	±5
QCD scale (acceptance)	+4	+4	±3
Experimental uncertainties on total sign	al yield (%)	
Jet energy scale and resolution	5	2	6
Uncertainties on total background yield	(%)		
WW transfer factors (theory)	±1	±2	±4
Jet energy scale and resolution	2	3	7
<i>b</i> -tagging efficiency	-	+7	+2
f_{recoil} efficiency	±4	±2	_

Table 9: For the $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow \ell \nu \ell \nu$ analysis of the 8 TeV data, the numbers of events observed in the data and expected from signal $(m_H = 125.5 \text{ GeV})$ and backgrounds inside the transverse mass regions $0.75 m_H < m_T < m_H$ for $N_{jet} \le 1$ and $m_T < 1.2 m_H$ for $N_{jet} \ge 2$. All lepton flavours are combined. The total background as well as its main components are shown. The quoted uncertainties include the statistical and systematic contributions, and account for anticorrelations between the background predictions.

	$N_{\rm jet} = 0$	$N_{\rm jet} = 1$	$N_{\rm jet} \ge 2$
Observed	831	309	55
Signal	100 ± 21	41 ± 14	10.9 ± 1.4
Total background	739 ± 39	261 ± 28	36 ± 4
WW	551 ± 41	108 ± 40	4.1 ± 1.5
Other VV	58 ± 8	27 ± 6	1.9 ± 0.4
Top-quark	39 ± 5	95 ± 28	5.4 ± 2.1
Z+jets	30 ± 10	12 ± 6	22 ± 3
W+jets	61 ± 21	20 ± 5	0.7 ± 0.2

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Multi-leg vs. NLO vs. LO



 ktfac parameters for renormalisation scale used at ME.

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high p_T radiation in Powheg)

Pythia parameters controlling ISR and FSR

- PARP(67): controls high-pt ISR branchings phase-space; ISR branchings with pTevol > m_dip/2 * PARP(67) are power suppressed by a factor (m_dip/(2pTevol))**2
- PARP(64): multiplicative factor of the mom. scale² in running alpha_s used in ISR
- PARP(72): multiplicative factor of the lam_QCD in running alpha_s used in FSR central param. setting is motivated by ATLAS FSR QCD jet shapes, variations correspond to *1/2 and *1.5 central value

- PARJ(82): FSR low-pt cutoff

ISR/FSR - a truth level study

- For this study MC@NLO(v4.10 link) + Herwig (v6.521, Fortran link) were used.
- Amount of ISR/FSR in Herwig is varied by changing the veto on emissions in the parton showers with p_T > SCALUP.
- SCALUP a parameter used by Herwig in its showering stage affecting both ISR and FSR. It is varied by changing 2 additional parameters in Herwig:
 - → XSCA \in [0.3, 3.0] → SCALUP = SCALUP * XSCA
 - → ISCA = 0 → SCALUP = ECM 2PTR, ISCA = I → SCALUP = ECM

ECM - subprocess center of mass energy PTR - p_T of hard emission in the collider frame

• Variations on SCALUP parameter only possible for Herwig Fortran v6.521 and ttbar pair production.

More I/FSR Results



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Additional plots

Njet



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H-decay topological variables in topCR

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The $|\Delta\phi_{11}|$, m_{T} and m_{11} distributions after the $p^{\text{tot}} < 45$ GeV cut in the top CR, defined by the requirement of one and only one b tagged jet . p^{tot} is defined as the total transverse momentum of all leptons, jets and missing E_T passing the selection. The shaded area represents the uncertainty on the signal and background yields from statistical, experimental, and theoretical sources

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Rapidity of the leading jet



Signal Strength combination



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Figure 6: The measured production strengths for a Higgs boson of mass mH = 125.5 GeV, normalised to the SM expectations, for diboson final states and their combination. Results are also given for the main categories of each analysis (described in Sections 4.2, 5.2 and 6.2). The best-fit values are shown by the solid vertical lines, with the total $\pm 1\sigma$ uncertainty indicated by the shaded band, and the statistical un- certainty by the superimposed horizontal error bars. The numbers in the second column specify the contributions of the (symmetrised) sta- tistical uncertainty (top), the total (experimental and theoretical) sys- tematic uncertainty (middle), and the theory uncertainty (bottom) on the signal cross section (from QCD scale, PDF, and branching ratios) alone; for the individual categories only the statistical uncertainty is given.