

# Standard Model H→TT searches with ATLAS

# Higgs Hunting 2016

Eric Drechsler on behalf of the ATLAS Collaboration

> University of Göttingen Group A. Quadt





#### Introduction

- establishing SM mass generation mechanism for fermions at LHC
  - measure direct coupling
  - $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$  most promising candidate (signal to background ratio S/B)
  - direct access to Higgs-fermion vertex: Higgs CP measurements •
- ATLAS Run I analysis: JHEP 04 (2015) 117
  - search in 7+8TeV datasets (4.5+20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>)
  - evidence for direct  $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$  coupling
  - first significant signature for H to fermion coupling









GÖTTINGEN

#### **Event Categorisation**

- (1) split per **final state**: dileptonic (**leplep**), leptonic-hadronic (**lephad**), dihadronic (hadhad)
- divide in categories production mode and S/B (2)
  - number of jets (at least one jet)
  - rapidity gap between jets
  - momentum of Higgs candidate ٠







GÖTTINGEN

- irreducible  $Z \rightarrow \tau \tau$  background:
  - **embedding** technique: replace  $\mu$  in pure Z $\rightarrow \mu\mu$  data sample with simulated  $\tau$
  - corrections for  $\mu/\tau$  efficiencies , mass difference and polarisation effects
- background from  $\tau$  fakes:
  - data-driven estimates
  - fits of fake templates (hadhad and leplep)
  - fake factor method (lephad)
- Other BG: simulation and normalisation in dedicated control regions
- **Signal**: ggF/VBF H $\rightarrow$ tt (@NLO accuracy) using POWHEG+ Pythia













Eric Drechsler

#### **CBA - Final Discriminant: MMC mass**



- CBA discriminant: invariant mass of ττ-system used for signal extraction
  missing mass calculator (MMC):
  - solving (underconstrained) system of equations
- uses  $\text{MET}_{x/y_{\!\scriptscriptstyle \! \! \! \! \! \! }}$  visible masses of  $\tau$  candidates
  - most probable value for  $m_{\tau\tau}$  estimated from MET resolution and  $\tau$  decay topologies
  - losses due to large fluctuations of the MET
- mass resolution ~15%
  - ratio of full width at half max. and peak value of mass distribution = 30%





Eric Drechsler

#### **MVA - Final Discriminant: BDT output**

- MVA discriminant: Boosted Decision Tree (BDT)
  - recursively partition multi variate parameter space enhance S or B purities
  - variables channel-dependent: kinematic properties & event topology
- combination of trees in single discriminant **BDT output**



#### **MVA - Results**

- combined, binned maximum-Likelihood fit
  - using BDT output in 6 signal categories (separate 7/8TeV)
  - Zll, top & Rest control region to constrain backgrounds
- extracting signal strength  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ 
  - ratio of observed/expected SM signal for cross section times branching ratio
- MVA result for Higgs mass m<sub>H</sub>=125.36 GeV:

observed (expected):  $\sigma = 4.5(3.4)$  $\mu = 1.43^{+0.27}_{-0.26} \text{ (stat) } ^{+0.32}_{-0.25} \text{ (syst) } \pm 0.09 \text{ (theory)}$ 



 $\mu = \frac{(\sigma \times BR)_{obs}}{(\sigma \times BR)_{SM}}$ 



Eric Drechsler

#### **CBA - Results**

- same fit model but **MMC** as final discriminant
- + CBA result @  $m_H$ =125.36 GeV for **8 TeV only**

observed (expected):  $\sigma = 3.2(2.5)$  $\mu = 1.43^{+0.55}_{-0.49}$  (total)

- **good agreement** between MVA and CBA- tested with jackknife technique
  - correlation of  $\mu\text{:}~0.55\text{-}0.75$  for all channels
  - results fully compatible

|                            | Fitted $\mu$ values |                              |                        |  |  |
|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|--|--|
|                            | $\sqrt{s}$          | Multivariate<br>analysis     | Cut-based<br>analysis  |  |  |
| $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$ | 8 TeV               | $1.9^{+1.0}_{-0.9}$          | $3.2^{+1.4}_{-1.3}$    |  |  |
| $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m had}$ | 8 TeV               | $1.1\substack{+0.6 \\ -0.5}$ | $0.7^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$    |  |  |
| $	au_{ m had}	au_{ m had}$ | 8 TeV               | $1.8^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$          | $1.6^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$    |  |  |
| All channels               | $8 { m TeV}$        | $1.53_{-0.41}^{+0.47}$       | $1.43_{-0.49}^{+0.55}$ |  |  |





Eric Drechsler

#### **Summary & Outlook**

- $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$  important channel to validate SM
- ATLAS Run I search strategies and results presented

observed (expected):  $\sigma = 4.5(3.4)$  $\mu = 1.43^{+0.27}_{-0.26} \text{ (stat) } ^{+0.32}_{-0.25} \text{ (syst) } \pm 0.09 \text{(theory)}$ 

- compatible results between different analyses approaches (MVA/CBA)
- not covered: VH $\rightarrow \tau \tau$  searches (Phys. Rev. D 93, 092005)
  - limit on signal strength  $\mu$  < 5.6 (3.7)
- ATLAS + CMS combination (ATLAS-CONF-2015-044/CMS-PAS-HIG-15-002)
  - establishes discovery of  $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$  with 5.5 $\sigma$
- VBF production mode discovered with 5.4 $\sigma$  significance
  - $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$  major contribution •
- new results with Run II dataset expected soon
  - higher center of mass energy 13 TeV
    - signal cross sections increase factor > 2 •
    - changes in event topology (e.g. boost)
  - increase in multiple pp interactions per crossing (factor 2) ٠
  - optimised reconstruction methods better resolutions
  - new detector IBL in ATLAS
  - excitement!







9





GEORG-AUGUST-UNIVERSITÄT GÖTTINGEN Eric Drechsler

- 1. Reconstruction
- 2. Identification discrimination against:
  - Jets (multivariate BDT technique)
  - b. Electrons
- 3. Calibration
- 4. Scaling
  - a. scale factors from efficiency measurements











GEORG-AUGUST-UNIVERSITÄT GÖTTINGEN Eric Drechsler

• Higgs Branching Ratios for different mass scenarios





• typical tree level diagrams for targeted signal production modes and corresponding backgrounds

Table 4.1: Typical tree-level Feynman diagrams for the two signal processes targeted by

the event selection, together with the corresponding main background processes. The final states are characterised by hadronically decaying  $\tau$  leptons (blue) and quark- or gluon-initiated jets. Signal Background g maranne q Η ZWQCD Z+jets VBF HEW Zg mananan 9 m mmmmma alle mann 9700 Multi-jet  $t\bar{t}$ 9 m 9 m g mmmm ggF H + 1jQCD Z+jetsg mannen 9 m ...... mmm a uu uuuu Multi-jet W+jets

GEORG-AUGUST-UNIVERSITÄT

GÖTTINGEN

Ð

# ggF

| √s (TeV) | Cross Section (pb) | +QCD Scale % | -QCD Scale % | +(PDF+ $\alpha_s$ ) % | -(PDF+ $\alpha_s$ ) % |
|----------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 7        | 15.11              | +7.1         | -7.8         | +7.6                  | -7.1                  |
| 8        | 19.24              | +7.2         | -7.8         | +7.5                  | -6.9                  |
| 13       | 43.87              | +7.4         | -7.9         | +7.1                  | -6.0                  |

# VBF

| √s (TeV) | Cross Section (pb) | +QCD Scale % | -QCD Scale % | +(PDF+ $\alpha_s$ ) % | -(PDF+α <sub>s</sub> ) % |
|----------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 7        | 1.222              | +0.3         | -0.3         | +2.5                  | -2.1                     |
| 8        | 1.579              | +0.2         | -0.2         | +2.6                  | -2.8                     |
| 13       | 3.744              | +0.7         | -0.7         | +3.2                  | -3.2                     |



#### **Systematic Uncertainties**

- systematic uncertainty sources:
  - experimental: e.g. JES uncertainty
    - detector response
    - pile-up
    - η intercalibration
    - modelling of in situ jet calibration
  - theory: e.g.  $BR(H \rightarrow \tau \tau)$ :
    - ~6% uncertainty direct effect on signal rates
  - background model: e.g. Zlh normalisation
    - fake factors: stat uncertainty & fake background composition

| Source of Uncertainty           | Uncertainty on $\mu$ |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Signal region statistics (data) | $+0.27 \\ -0.26$     |
| Jet energy scale                | $\pm 0.13$           |
| Tau energy scale                | $\pm 0.07$           |
| Tau identification              | $\pm 0.06$           |
| Background normalisation        | $\pm 0.12$           |
| Background estimate stat.       | $\pm 0.10$           |
| BR $(H \to \tau \tau)$          | $\pm 0.08$           |
| Parton shower/Underlying event  | $\pm 0.04$           |
| PDF                             | $\pm 0.03$           |
| Total sys.                      | $+0.33 \\ -0.26$     |
| Total                           | $+0.43 \\ -0.37$     |





•small branching ratio and high background contributions

event categorisation: improved BG rejection

•poor  $\tau + \tau -$  mass resolution (at least two neutrinos from the  $\tau$  lepton decays)

- dedicated mass reconstruction algorithms (MMC)
- •fully leptonic channel:
  - lowest sensitivity & worst mass resolution (4 neutrinos)
  - smallest branching ratio 12.4%

•semi-leptonic channel:

• most sensitive final state - largest branching ratio of 45.6%

dihadronic channel

- second most sensitive final state branching ratio of 42%
- •final discriminant —> combined fit
  - MVA: construct BDT
  - CBA: MMC-mass



- Take  $Z \rightarrow \mu \mu$  from data
- Remove the  $\mu$  tracks and energy deposition in the calorimeter (using standalone  $\mu$  simulation)
- Correct the particle 4-vectors for the  $\mu$ - $\tau$  mass difference
- Simulate the  $\tau\tau$  decay in Tauola for these initial 4vectors
- Insert this simulated decay back into the data events
- **Re-reconstruct objects and MET**





- τlepthad channel: the fake-factor method to estimate contributions from misidentified  $\tau_{had}$  candidate
- arising from multijet, W+jets, Z+jets, and semileptonic top background events
- fake factor: ratio of #jets identified as medium  $\tau_{had}$  to #jets satisfying loose, but not medium tau ID
- depending on jet parton type, jet-pT, track multiplicity
- W+jets, tt and Z+jets background components:
  - high-mT region (mT > 70 GeV)
  - inverting the b-jet veto
  - two leptons with  $80 \text{ GeV} < \text{m} \ge 100 \text{ GeV}$
- multijet:

- relaxing the lepton identification and requiring jet to satisfy the loose identification criteria
- template from SR but requiring loose not medium
  - apply SF according to expected relative contributions





#### • MC generators

| Signal $(m_{\rm c} = 125  {\rm CeV})$              | MC concretor                         | $\sigma \times BR \ [pb]$ |           |             |  |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|
| Signal $(m_H = 125 \text{ GeV})$                   | MC generator                         | $\sqrt{s} = 8$            | TeV       |             |  |
| ggF, $H \to \tau \tau$                             | Powheg [36–39]                       | 1.22                      | NNLO+NNLL | [42-47, 78] |  |
|  | + Pythia8 [40]                       |                           |           |             |  |
| VBF, $H \to \tau \tau$                             | POWHEG + PYTHIA8                     | 0.100                     | (N)NLO    | [51-53, 78] |  |
| $WH, H \to \tau \tau$                              | Pythia8                              | 0.0445                    | NNLO      | [56, 78]    |  |
| $ZH, H \to \tau \tau$                              | Ρυτηία8                              | 0.0262                    | NNLO      | [56, 78]    |  |
| De cleanaun d                                      | MC monomotor                         | $\sigma \times BR$ [      | pb]       |             |  |
| Dackground   | MC generator                         | $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV        |           |             |  |
| $W(\rightarrow \ell \nu), \ (\ell = e, \mu, \tau)$ | Alpgen [71]+Pythia8                  | 36800                     | NNLO      | [79, 80]    |  |
| $Z/\gamma^*(\to \ell\ell),$                        | Alpgen+Pythia8                       | 3910                      | NNLO      | [79 80]     |  |
| $60 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 2 \text{ TeV}$    |                                      | 0010                      |           | [10,00]     |  |
| $Z/\gamma^*(\to \ell\ell),$                        | ALPGEN+HERWIG [81]                   | 13000                     | NNLO      | [79, 80]    |  |
| $10 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 60 \text{ GeV}$   |                                      | 10000                     |           | [,]         |  |
| VBF $Z/\gamma^*(\to \ell\ell)$                     | Sherpa [82]                          | 1.1                       | LO        | [82]        |  |
| $tar{t}$   | POWHEG + PYTHIA8                     | $253^{\dagger}$           | NNLO+NNLL | [83-88]     |  |
| Single top : $Wt$                                  | POWHEG + PYTHIA8                     | $22^{\dagger}$            | NNLO      | [89]        |  |
| Single top : $s$ -channel                          | POWHEG + PYTHIA8                     | $5.6^{\dagger}$           | NNLO      | [90]        |  |
| Single top : $t$ -channel                          | AcerMC [74]+Pythia6 [67]             | $87.8^{\dagger}$          | NNLO      | [91]        |  |
| $q\bar{q} \rightarrow WW$                          | Alpgen+Herwig                        | $54^{\dagger}$            | NLO       | [92]        |  |
| $gg \to WW$  | GG2WW [73]+Herwig                    | $1.4^{\dagger}$           | NLO       | [73]        |  |
| WZ, ZZ   | Herwig                               | $30^{\dagger}$            | NLO       | [92]        |  |
| $H \to WW$   | same as for $H \to \tau \tau$ signal | $4.7^{\dagger}$           |           |             |  |



#### •Trigger thresholds

| $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ |                                  |                        |   |              |  |         |   |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---|--------------|--|---------|---|
| Trigger                    | Trigger<br>level                 |                        | Analysis  | level t      | hresholds [0   | GeV]    |   |
|                            | thresholds,<br>$p_{\rm T}$ [GeV] |                        | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$  | $	au_{ m c}$ | $_{ m lep}	au_{ m had}$  | au      | had $	au_{ m had}$  |
| Single electron            | 20-22                            | $e\mu$ :               | $\begin{array}{c} p_{\rm T}^{e} > 22 - 24 \\ p_{\rm T}^{\mu} > 10 \end{array}$  | $e\tau$ :    | $\begin{array}{l} p_{\mathrm{T}}^{e} > 25 \\ p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\tau} > 20 \end{array}$   |         | _   |
| Single muon                | 18                               | $\mu\mu$ :<br>$e\mu$ : | $p_{\rm T}^{\mu_1} > 20 \\ p_{\rm T}^{\mu_2} > 10 \\ p_{\rm T}^{\mu} > 20 \\ p_{\rm T}^{e} > 15$                      | $\mu \tau$ : | $p_{\rm T}^{\mu} > 22 \\ p_{\rm T}^{	au} > 20$   |         | _   |
| Di-electron                | 12/12                            | ee:                    | $p_{\rm T}^{e_1} > 15$<br>$p_{\rm T}^{e_2} > 15$  |              | _  |         | _   |
| $	ext{Di-}	au_{	ext{had}}$ | 29/20                            |                        | _   |              | _  | au	au:  | $\begin{array}{c} p_{\rm T}^{\tau_1} > 35 \\ p_{\rm T}^{\tau_2} > 25 \end{array}$ |
|                            |                                  |                        | $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$  |              |  |         |   |
| Trigger                    | Trigger<br>level                 |                        | Analysis  | level t      | hresholds [(   | GeV]    |   |
| 1118801                    | thresholds,<br>$p_{\rm T}$ [GeV] |                        | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$  | $	au_{ m c}$ | $_{ m lep}	au_{ m had}$  | τ       | $had 	au_{had}$   |
| Single electron            | 24                               | еµ:<br>ee:             | $\begin{array}{c} p_{\rm T}^e > 26 \\ p_{\rm T}^\mu > 10 \\ p_{\rm T}^{e_1} > 26 \\ p_{\rm T}^{e_2} > 15 \end{array}$ | e	au:        | $p_{\rm T}^e > 26$ $p_{\rm T}^\tau > 20$   |         | _   |
| Single muon                | 24                               |                        | _   | $\mu \tau$ : | $\begin{array}{l} p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mu} > 26 \\ p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\tau} > 20 \end{array}$ |         | _   |
| Di-electron                | 12/12                            | ee:                    | $\begin{array}{c} p_{\rm T}^{e_1} > 15 \\ p_{\rm T}^{e_2} > 15 \end{array}$   |              | _  |         | _   |
| Di-muon                    | 18/8                             | $\mu\mu$ :             | $p_{\rm T}^{\mu_1} > 20$<br>$p_{\rm T}^{\mu_2} > 10$  |              | _  |         | _   |
| Electron+muon              | 12/8                             | $e\mu$ :               | $p_{\rm T}^e > 15 \ p_{\rm T}^{\mu} > 10$   |              | _  |         | _   |
| $	ext{Di-}	au_{	ext{had}}$ | 29/20                            |                        | _   |              | _  | au 	au: | $\begin{array}{c} p_{\rm T}^{\tau_1} > 35 \\ p_{\rm T}^{\tau_2} > 25 \end{array}$ |



|               | Chan                            | nel Preselection c  | uts   |  |                            |  |  |
|---------------|---------------------------------|---|---|--|----------------------------|--|--|
| •MVA selectio | )n $\tau_{lep}\tau$             | $\begin{array}{c c c c c c } Exactly two is \\ Events with \tau_1 \\ 30 \text{ GeV} < m_{\tau\tau}^{\text{vis}} \\ \Delta \phi_{\ell\ell} < 2.5 \\ E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}} > 20 (40 \\ E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss},\text{HPTO}} > \\ p_{\text{T}}^{\ell_1} + p_{\text{T}}^{\ell_2} > 35 \\ E\text{vents with a} \\ 0.1 < r  r \end{array}$   | olated opposi<br>ad candidates<br>< 100 (75) C<br>)) GeV for DF<br>40 GeV for S<br>GeV<br>b-tagged jet v  | te-sign leptons<br>s are rejected<br>GeV for DF (SF) events<br>F (SF) events<br>F events<br>with $p_{\rm T} > 25$ GeV are rejected | ed                         |  |  |
|               | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m l}$        | $\tau_{\text{lep}}\tau_{\text{had}} = \frac{0.1 < x_{\tau_1}, x_{\tau_2} < 1}{m_{\tau\tau}^{\text{coll}} > m_Z - 25 \text{ GeV}}$ Exactly one isolated lepton and one medium $\tau_{\text{had}}$ candidate with opposite chan $m_{\text{T}} < 70 \text{ GeV}$ Events with a <i>b</i> -tagged jet with $p_{\text{T}} > 30 \text{ GeV}$ are rejected  |   |  |                            |  |  |
|               | $	au_{ m had}	au$               | had below the formula | One isolated medium and one isolated tight opposite-sign $\tau_{\text{had}}$ -candidate<br>Events with leptons are vetoed<br>$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}} > 20 \text{ GeV}$<br>$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$ points between the two visible taus in $\phi$ , or min $[\Delta \phi(\tau, E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}})] < \pi/4$<br>$0.8 < \Delta R(\tau_{\text{had}_1}, \tau_{\text{had}_2}) < 2.4$<br>$\Delta n(\tau_{\text{had}_1}, \tau_{\text{had}_2}) < 1.5$ |  |                            |  |  |
|               | Chan                            | nel   VBF category  | selection cuts  | 8  |                            |  |  |
|               | $	au_{ m lep}	au$               | $\begin{array}{c c} & \text{At least two je} \\ \hline & \Delta \eta(j_1, j_2) > 2 \end{array}$   | ets with $p_{\rm T}^{j_1} > .2$   | $40 \text{ GeV} \text{ and } p_{\mathrm{T}}^{j_2} > 30 \text{ GeV}$  |                            |  |  |
|               | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m l}$        | $\begin{array}{c c} & \text{At least two je} \\ & \Delta \eta(j_1, j_2) > 3 \\ & m_{\tau\tau}^{\text{vis}} > 40 \text{ GeV} \end{array}$  | ets with $p_{\rm T}^{j_1} > .0$   | $\cdot$ 50 GeV and $p_{\rm T}^{j_2} > 30~{\rm GeV}$  |                            |  |  |
|               | $	au_{ m had}	au$               | had At least two je<br>$p_{\rm T}^{j_2} > 35 \text{ GeV}$<br>$\Delta \eta(j_1, j_2) > 2$  | At least two jets with $p_{\rm T}^{j_1} > 50$ GeV and $p_{\rm T}^{j_2} > 30$ GeV<br>$p_{\rm T}^{j_2} > 35$ GeV for jets with $ \eta  > 2.4$<br>$\Delta \eta(j_1, j_2) > 2.0$  |  |                            |  |  |
|               | Chan                            | nel   Boosted categ   | ory selection   | cuts   |                            |  |  |
|               | $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm lep}$ | ep At least one je  | et with $p_{\rm T} > 4$   | 40 GeV   |                            |  |  |
| AVA CR        | All                             | Failing the VE $p_{\rm T}^H > 100 {\rm ~GeV}$   | BF selection  |  |                            |  |  |
| [             | Process                         | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$  |   | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m had}$   | $	au_{ m had}	au_{ m had}$ |  |  |
|               | $Z \to \ell \ell$ -enriched     | $80 < m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm vis} < 100 \ Ge$  | eV  |  |                            |  |  |
|               |                                 | (same-flavour)  |   |  |                            |  |  |

#### •MV

| Process   | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$   | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m had}$   | $	au_{ m had}	au_{ m had}$   |
|---|--|--|--|
| $Z \to \ell\ell$ -enriched  | $80 < m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm vis} < 100 \ GeV$  |  |  |
|   | (same-flavour)   |  |  |
| Top control region  | Invert <i>b</i> -jet veto  | Invert <i>b</i> -jet veto and $m_{\rm T} > 40 \ GeV$   |  |
| Rest category   |  |  | Pass preselection,   |
|   |  |  | Fail VBF and Boosted selections  |
| $Z \to \tau \tau$ -enriched   | $m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm HPTO} < 100 \; GeV$   | $m_{\rm T} < 40 \ GeV$ and $m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm MMC} < 110 \ GeV$  |  |
| Fake-enriched   | Same sign $\tau$ decay products  | Same sign $\tau$ decay products  |  |
| W-enriched  |  | $m_{\rm T} > 70~GeV$   |  |
| Mass sideband   |  |  | $m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm MMC} < 110 \ GeV \ {\rm or} \ m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm MMC} > 150 \ GeV$   |
| Top control regionRest category $Z \rightarrow \tau \tau$ -enrichedFake-enrichedW-enrichedMass sideband | $\frac{m_{\tau\tau}^{\text{HPTO}} < 100 \text{ GeV}}{\text{Same sign } \tau \text{ decay products}}$ | Invert b-jet veto and $m_{\rm T} > 40~GeV$<br>$m_{\rm T} < 40~GeV$ and $m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm MMC} < 110~GeV$<br>Same sign $\tau$ decay products<br>$m_{\rm T} > 70~GeV$ | Pass preselection,<br>Fail VBF and Boosted selections<br>$m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm MMC} < 110 \ GeV \ {\rm or} \ m_{\tau\tau}^{\rm MMC} > 150 \ Ge$ |



#### postfit event yields

| Process/Category                            |                 | VBF                |                 |                 | Boosted            |                |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|
| BDT output bin                              | All bins        | Second to last bin | Last bin        | All bins        | Second to last bin | Last bin       |
| Fake background                             | $1680 \pm 50$   | $8.2 \pm 0.9$      | $5.2 \pm 0.7$   | $5640 \pm 160$  | $51.0 \pm 2.5$     | $22.3 \pm 1.8$ |
| $Z \to \tau \tau$                           | $877 \pm 29$    | $7.6 \pm 0.9$      | $4.2 \pm 0.7$   | $6210 \pm 170$  | $57.5 \pm 2.8$     | $41.1\pm3.2$   |
| Тор   | $82 \pm 15$     | $0.3 \pm 0.4$      | $0.5 \pm 0.4$   | $380\pm50$      | $12 \pm 4$         | $4.8\pm1.5$    |
| $Z \to \ell \ell (\ell \to \tau_{\rm had})$ | $54 \pm 26$     | $1.0 \pm 0.7$      | $0.30\pm0.28$   | $200\pm50$      | $13 \pm 4$         | $8.6\pm3.5$    |
| Diboson                                     | $63 \pm 11$     | $1.0 \pm 0.4$      | $0.48 \pm 0.20$ | $430\pm40$      | $9.7\pm2.2$        | $4.7 \pm 1.6$  |
| ggF: $H \to \tau \tau \ (m_H = 125 GeV)$    | $16 \pm 6$      | $1.0 \pm 0.4$      | $1.2\pm0.6$     | $60 \pm 20$     | $9.2 \pm 3.2$      | $10.1\pm3.4$   |
| VBF: $H \to \tau \tau$                      | $31 \pm 8$      | $4.5 \pm 1.1$      | $9.1 \pm 2.2$   | $16 \pm 4$      | $2.5\pm0.6$        | $2.9 \pm 0.7$  |
| $WH: H \to \tau \tau$                       | $0.6 \pm 0.4$   | < 0.1              | < 0.1           | $9.1\pm2.3$     | $1.3 \pm 0.4$      | $1.9\pm0.5$    |
| $ZH: H \to \tau \tau$                       | $0.16 \pm 0.07$ | < 0.1              | < 0.1           | $4.6\pm1.2$     | $0.77 \pm 0.20$    | $0.93\pm0.24$  |
| Total background                            | $2760 \pm 40$   | $18.1 \pm 2.3$     | $10.7\pm2.7$    | $12860 \pm 110$ | $143 \pm 6$        | $82 \pm 6$     |
| Total signal                                | $48 \pm 12$     | $5.5 \pm 1.3$      | $10.3 \pm 2.5$  | $89\pm26$       | $14 \pm 4$         | $16 \pm 4$     |
| Data  | 2830            | 22                 | 21              | 12952           | 170                | 92             |

lephad

| Process/Category                         |                | VBF                |                 |               | Boosted            |                   |
|--|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| BDT output bin                           | All bins       | Second to last bin | Last bin        | All bins      | Second to last bin | Last bin          |
| $Z \to \tau \tau$                        | $589 \pm 24$   | $9.7\pm1.0$        | $1.99\pm0.34$   | $2190\pm80$   | $33.7\pm2.3$       | $11.3\pm1.3$      |
| Fake background                          | $57 \pm 12$    | $1.2\pm0.6$        | $0.55\pm0.35$   | $100\pm40$    | $2.9\pm1.3$        | $0.6 \pm 0.4$     |
| Тор                                      | $131\pm19$     | $0.9\pm0.4$        | $0.89 \pm 0.33$ | $380\pm50$    | $9.8\pm2.1$        | $4.3\pm1.0$       |
| Others                                   | $196\pm17$     | $3.0 \pm 0.4$      | $1.7\pm0.6$     | $400\pm40$    | $8.3\pm1.6$        | $2.6\pm0.7$       |
| ggF: $H \to WW \ (m_H = 125 \ GeV)$      | $2.9\pm0.8$    | $0.12\pm0.04$      | $0.11\pm0.04$   | $7.7\pm2.3$   | $0.43\pm0.13$      | $0.24\pm0.08$     |
| VBF: $H \to WW$                          | $3.4 \pm 0.4$  | $0.40\pm0.06$      | $0.38\pm0.08$   | $1.65\pm0.18$ | $0.102\pm0.017$    | < 0.1             |
| $WH: H \rightarrow WW$                   | < 0.1          | < 0.1              | < 0.1           | $0.90\pm0.10$ | < 0.1              | < 0.1             |
| $ZH: H \rightarrow WW$                   | < 0.1          | < 0.1              | < 0.1           | $0.59\pm0.07$ | < 0.1              | < 0.1             |
| ggF: $H \to \tau \tau \ (m_H = 125 GeV)$ | $9.8 \pm 3.4$  | $0.73\pm0.26$      | $0.35\pm0.14$   | $21\pm 8$     | $2.4 \pm 0.9$      | $1.3 \pm 0.5$     |
| VBF: $H \to \tau \tau$                   | $13.3 \pm 4.0$ | $2.7\pm0.7$        | $3.3 \pm 0.9$   | $5.5\pm1.5$   | $0.95\pm0.26$      | $0.49\pm0.13$     |
| $WH: H \to \tau \tau$                    | $0.25\pm0.07$  | < 0.1              | < 0.1           | $3.8\pm1.0$   | $0.44\pm0.12$      | $0.22\pm0.06$     |
| $ZH: H \to \tau \tau$                    | $0.14\pm0.04$  | < 0.1              | < 0.1           | $2.0\pm0.5$   | $0.21\pm0.06$      | $0.113 \pm 0.031$ |
| Total background                         | $980 \pm 22$   | $15.4\pm1.8$       | $5.6\pm1.4$     | $3080\pm50$   | $55 \pm 4$         | $19.2\pm2.1$      |
| Total signal                             | $24\pm 6$      | $3.5\pm0.9$        | $3.6\pm1.0$     | $33 \pm 10$   | $4.0\pm1.2$        | $2.1\pm0.6$       |
| Data                                     | 1014           | 16                 | 11              | 3095          | 61                 | 20                |
|  |                |                    |                 |               |                    |                   |

| lep | lep |
|-----|-----|
|-----|-----|

| Process/Category                         |                 | VBF                |               |               | Boosted            |                 |
|--|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| BDT output bin                           | All bins        | Second to last bin | Last bin      | All bins      | Second to last bin | Last bin        |
| Fake background                          | $370 \pm 18$    | $2.3 \pm 0.9$      | $0.57\pm0.29$ | $645 \pm 26$  | $35 \pm 4$         | $0.65\pm0.33$   |
| Others                                   | $37 \pm 5$      | $0.67\pm0.22$      | < 0.1         | $89 \pm 11$   | $15.9\pm2.0$       | $0.92\pm0.22$   |
| $Z \to \tau \tau$                        | $475 \pm 16$    | $0.6 \pm 0.7$      | $0.6 \pm 0.4$ | $2230 \pm 70$ | $93 \pm 4$         | $5.4 \pm 1.6$   |
| ggF: $H \to \tau \tau \ (m_H = 125 GeV)$ | $8.0 \pm 2.7$   | $0.67 \pm 0.23$    | $0.53\pm0.20$ | $21\pm 8$     | $9.1 \pm 3.3$      | $1.6\pm0.6$     |
| VBF: $H \to \tau \tau$                   | $12.0 \pm 3.1$  | $1.8 \pm 0.5$      | $3.4 \pm 0.9$ | $6.3 \pm 1.6$ | $2.8 \pm 0.7$      | $0.52\pm0.13$   |
| $WH: H \to \tau \tau$                    | $0.25\pm0.07$   | < 0.1              | < 0.1         | $4.0 \pm 1.1$ | $1.9\pm0.5$        | $0.41 \pm 0.11$ |
| $ZH: H \to \tau \tau$                    | $0.16 \pm 0.04$ | < 0.1              | < 0.1         | $2.4 \pm 0.6$ | $1.13\pm0.30$      | $0.23\pm0.06$   |
| Total background                         | $883 \pm 18$    | $3.6 \pm 1.3$      | $1.2 \pm 1.0$ | $2960\pm50$   | $143 \pm 6$        | $7.0 \pm 1.8$   |
| Total signal                             | $20 \pm 5$      | $2.5\pm0.6$        | $3.9 \pm 1.0$ | $34 \pm 10$   | $15 \pm 4$         | $2.7 \pm 0.8$   |
| Data                                     | 892             | 5                  | 6             | 3020          | 161                | 10              |

#### hadhad

22

| CPA polootion oritoria | Channel                    | VBF category selection criteria  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| CBA selection chiena   | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$ | At least two jets with $p_{\rm T}^{j_1} > 40$ GeV and $p_{\rm T}^{j_2} > 30$ GeV<br>$ \Delta \eta_{j_1,j_2}  > 3.0$<br>$m_{j_1,j_2} > 400$ GeV<br><i>b</i> -jet veto for jets with $p_{\rm T} > 25$ GeV<br>Jet veto: no additional jet with $p_{\rm T} > 25$ GeV within $ \eta  < 2.4$ |  |  |  |  |
|                        | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m had}$ | $\begin{array}{c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c $   |  |  |  |  |
|                        | $	au_{ m had}	au_{ m had}$ | $ \begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c$  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Channel                    | Boosted category selection criteria  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$ | Exclude events passing the VBF selection<br>$p_{\rm T}^H > 100 \text{ GeV}$<br><i>b</i> -jet veto for jets with $p_{\rm T} > 25 \text{ GeV}$   |  |  |  |  |
|                        | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m had}$ | Exclude events passing the VBF selection<br>$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 20 \text{ GeV}$<br>$p_{\rm T}^H > 100 \text{ GeV}$<br>$p_{\rm T}(\tau_{\rm had}) > 30 \text{ GeV}$<br><i>b</i> -jet veto for jets with $p_{\rm T} > 30 \text{ GeV}$  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | $	au_{ m had}	au_{ m had}$ | $ \begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$  |  |  |  |  |



GEORG-AUGUST-UNIVERSITÄT GÖTTINGEN

#### MMC variable ranking

| Variable  |                            | VBF                             |                                 | Boosted                    |                                 |                               |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Variable  | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$ | $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm had}$ | $\tau_{\rm had} \tau_{\rm had}$ | $	au_{ m lep}	au_{ m lep}$ | $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm had}$ | $	au_{\rm had} 	au_{\rm had}$ |
| $m_{	au	au}^{ m MMC}$   | •                          | ٠                               | ٠                               | •                          | •                               | •                             |
| $\Delta R(	au_1,	au_2)$   | •                          | •                               | •                               |                            | •                               | •                             |
| $\Delta \eta(j_1, j_2)$   | •                          | •                               | •                               |                            |                                 |                               |
| $m_{j_1, j_2}$  | •                          | •                               | •                               |                            |                                 |                               |
| $\eta_{j_1} \times \eta_{j_2}$  |                            | •                               | •                               |                            |                                 |                               |
| $p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{Total}}$   |                            | •                               | •                               |                            |                                 |                               |
| $\operatorname{Sum} p_{\mathrm{T}}$                                       |                            |                                 |                                 |                            | •                               | •                             |
| $p_{\rm T}^{	au_1}/p_{\rm T}^{	au_2}$                                     |                            |                                 |                                 |                            | •                               | ٠                             |
| $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}\phi$ centrality                                     |                            | •                               | •                               | •                          | ٠                               | ٠                             |
| $m_{\ell,\ell,j_1}$   |                            |                                 |                                 | •                          |                                 |                               |
| $m_{\ell_1,\ell_2}$   |                            |                                 |                                 | •                          |                                 |                               |
| $\Delta \phi(\ell_1,\ell_2)$  |                            |                                 |                                 | •                          |                                 |                               |
| Sphericity  |                            |                                 |                                 | •                          |                                 |                               |
| $p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\ell_1}$   |                            |                                 |                                 | •                          |                                 |                               |
| $p_{\mathrm{T}}^{j_{1}}$  |                            |                                 |                                 | •                          |                                 |                               |
| $E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}/p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\ell_2}$                  |                            |                                 |                                 | •                          |                                 |                               |
| $m_{ m T}$  |                            | ٠                               |                                 |                            | ٠                               |                               |
| $\min(\Delta \eta_{\ell_1 \ell_2, \text{jets}})$                          | •                          |                                 |                                 |                            |                                 |                               |
| $C_{\eta_1,\eta_2}(\eta_{\ell_1}) \cdot C_{\eta_1,\eta_2}(\eta_{\ell_2})$ | •                          |                                 |                                 |                            |                                 |                               |
| $C_{\eta_1,\eta_2}(\eta_\ell)$  |                            | •                               |                                 |                            |                                 |                               |
| $C_{\eta_1,\eta_2}(\eta_{j_3})$   | •                          |                                 |                                 |                            |                                 |                               |
| $C_{\eta_1,\eta_2}(\eta_{\tau_1})$  |                            |                                 | •                               |                            |                                 |                               |
| $C_{\eta_1,\eta_2}(\eta_{\tau_2})$  |                            |                                 | •                               |                            |                                 |                               |



# significances MVA per channel and category

| Channel and Category                    | Expected Significance $(\sigma)$ | Observed Significance $(\sigma)$ |
|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm lep}$ VBF     | 1.15                             | 1.88                             |
| $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm lep}$ Boosted | 0.57                             | 1.72                             |
| $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm lep}$ Total   | 1.25                             | 2.40                             |
| $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm had}$ VBF     | 2.11                             | 2.23                             |
| $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm had}$ Boosted | 1.11                             | 1.01                             |
| $\tau_{\rm lep} \tau_{\rm had}$ Total   | 2.33                             | 2.33                             |
| $\tau_{\rm had} \tau_{\rm had}$ VBF     | 1.70                             | 2.23                             |
| $\tau_{\rm had} \tau_{\rm had}$ Boosted | 0.82                             | 2.56                             |
| $\tau_{\rm had} \tau_{\rm had}$ Total   | 1.99                             | 3.25                             |
| Combined                                | 3.43                             | 4.54                             |







#### ATLAS+CMS combination

- ATLAS-CONF-2015-044 or CMS-PAS-HIG-15-002
- based on 7+8TeV datasets

| Channel                       | References for          |      | Signal stre                           | Signal strength [µ]                      |       | Signal significance $[\sigma]$ |  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|------|---------------------------------------|--|-------|--------------------------------|--|
|                               | individual publications |      | from                                  | from results in this paper (Section 5.2) |       |                                |  |
|                               | ATLAS                   | CMS  | ATLAS                                 | CMS                                      | ATLAS | CMS                            |  |
| $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ | [51]                    | [52] | $1.15^{+0.27}_{-0.25}$                | $1.12^{+0.25}_{-0.23}$                   | 5.0   | 5.6                            |  |
|                               |                         |      | (+0.26)<br>(-0.24)                    | $\binom{+0.24}{-0.22}$                   | (4.6) | (5.1)                          |  |
| $H \to Z Z \to 4\ell$         | [53]                    | [54] | $1.51^{+0.39}_{-0.34}$                | $1.05^{+0.32}_{-0.27}$                   | 6.6   | 7.0                            |  |
|                               |                         |      | ( <sup>+0.33</sup> )                  | $\binom{+0.31}{-0.26}$                   | (5.5) | (6.8)                          |  |
| $H \rightarrow WW$            | [55, 56]                | [57] | $1.23^{+0.23}_{-0.21}$                | 0.91+0.24<br>-0.21                       | 6.8   | 4.8                            |  |
|                               |                         |      | ( <sup>+0.21</sup> )                  | $\binom{+0.23}{-0.20}$                   | (5.8) | (5.6)                          |  |
| $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$     | [58]                    | [59] | $1.41^{+0.40}_{-0.35}$                | 0.89+0.31 -0.28                          | 4.4   | 3.4                            |  |
|                               |                         |      | ( <sup>+0.37</sup> <sub>-0.33</sub> ) | $\binom{+0.31}{-0.29}$                   | (3.3) | (3.7)                          |  |
| $H \rightarrow bb$            | [38]                    | [39] | $0.62^{+0.37}_{-0.36}$                | $0.81^{+0.45}_{-0.42}$                   | 1.7   | 2.0                            |  |
|                               |                         |      | (+0.39)<br>(-0.37)                    | $\binom{+0.45}{-0.43}$                   | (2.7) | (2.5)                          |  |
| $H \rightarrow \mu \mu$       | [60]                    | [61] | $-0.7 \pm 3.6$                        | $0.8 \pm 3.5$                            |       |                                |  |
|                               |                         |      | (±3.6)                                | (±3.5)                                   |       |                                |  |
| ttH production                | [28,62,63]              | [65] | $1.9^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$                   | 2.9 <sup>+1.0</sup>                      | 2.7   | 3.6                            |  |
|                               |                         |      | ( <sup>+0.72</sup> <sub>-0.66</sub> ) | ( <sup>+0.88</sup> )                     | (1.6) | (1.3)                          |  |

|                                       | Untagged               | VBF                   | VH | ttH |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----|-----|
| $\mathrm{H}{\rightarrow}\gamma\gamma$ | ✓                      | ✓                     | ✓  | ✓   |
| H→ZZ→llll                             | ✓                      | ✓                     | ✓  | ✓   |
| H→WW                                  | ✓                      | ✓                     | ✓  | ✓   |
| $H \rightarrow \tau \ \tau$           | ✓                      | ✓                     | ✓  | ✓   |
| H→bb                                  |                        |                       | ✓  | ✓   |
| $\mathrm{H}{\rightarrow}\mu~\mu$      | included in tree level | fit for H- µ coupling |    |     |



#### ATLAS+CMS combination

- The ATLAS+CMS coupling combination results include:
  1) Fits of signal strengths (global, by production, by decay) relative to the SM
  2) Fits in the κ-framework, measuring coupling modifiers
- 3) Generic parameterizations based on ratios of XS and BR and on coupling modifier ratios
- Common Assumptions:
- Assume there is only one Higgs boson with Spin Parity 0+ and with a narrow width such that production and decay are decoupled





GEORG-AUGUST-UNIVERSITÄT