

Additional Scalar Bosons in the ATLAS Experiment



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decaying to (pseudo)scalar bosons.

Most recent ATLAS results searching for additional scalars with full Run 2 dataset



Heavy Neutral Scalar

$\star t\bar{t}H/A \to t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

- Search for a heavy scalar H/A predicted by 2HDM in $t\bar{t}$ associated production.
 - $H/A \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ dominant decay above 2 top mass.
 - Negative interference effects with SM $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ largely dilute a resonant peak in the $t\bar{t}$ invariant mass spectrum.
- Final states with same-sign (SS) leptons or ≥3 leptons and ≥6j (≥2b).



No significant excess of events above the SM prediction is observed.

- Interpretation of the 2HDM type-II for a heavy Higgs mass between 400 and 1000 GeV.
- The best fitted value is **compatible** with previous ATLAS *tttt* crosssection measurement (EPJC 80 (2020) 1085).

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FCNC t \rightarrow qX(\rightarrow bb)

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- Non-SM Higgs field X (flavon) with flavour charge.
 - Predicted by Froggatt-Nielsen mechanism to probe Flavour-changing neutral-current (FCNC) couplings with first and second generation quarks.
 - For a neutral scalar particle below 200 GeV the leading decay mode is $X \rightarrow b\overline{b}$.
- Generic search by top-quark pair production:
 - One top quark decays to X ($m_X < m_{top}$) and up-type quark (u/c).
 - The other top quark decays to *Wb*.





No significant excess is observed.

- Slight excess (1.8σ) at 40 GeV in t→uX channel and ~2σ broad excess in t→cX channel.
- Expected limits ~a factor of three better than the previous ATLAS results (FCNC t→qH, JHEP 05 (2019) 123) scaled to the same integrated luminosity.

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Additional Scalar Bosons in the ATLAS Experiment (HiggsHunting2022)

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600

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1000

VV) [fb] No significant excess is observed. BR(H

Upper limits on the heavy Higgs boson production cross-• section as a function of the heavy Higgs boson mass and the two BSM *HVV* coupling strengths $\frac{\rho_H f_W}{\Lambda^2}$, $\frac{\rho_H f_{WW}}{\Lambda^2}$.

- **Resolved**: two small radius jets. •
- ٠ depending on the reconstruction of $W \rightarrow qq$ decay:
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- Generic search utilizing a general effective Lagrangian including dimension six operators in effective field theory.
- Associated production of heavy scalar (H) with W boson in $l^{\pm}\nu l^{\pm}\nu qq$ final state. ٠
 - Complementary to gluon-gluon fusion (ggF) and vector boson fusion (VBF) searches.
 - Larger cross sections than VBF production and smaller background.
- Two signal regions (SR) with two same-sign(SS) leptons and two WZ control regions,

★ WH(\rightarrow WW)

- **Boosted**: one large radius jet.





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Observed limit

Expected limit

Expected $\pm 1\sigma$

Expected $\pm 2\sigma$ Theory

1200

1400

m_⊔ [GeV]



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\star Flavour-violating H \rightarrow leptons+b-jets

- General two Higgs doublet model (g2HDM) without Z_2 symmetry, featuring FCNH (Flavour Changing Neutral Higgs) couplings.
 - Couplings of H involving top-quark: ρ_{tt} , ρ_{tc} , and ρ_{tu} .
- First analysis to target BSM production leading to three-top final states and the first to probe g2HDM.
- Sensitive probe of new physics: same-sign (SS) top, 3-top, 4-top final states.



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 $\rho_{tt} / \sum_i \rho_{ti} = 1$ Observed significance [o] ATLAS Preliminary $m_{\rm H} = 1000 \, {\rm GeV}$ m_H = 1000 GeV $\rho_{tt} = 0.32$ 2.5 0.8 $\rho_{tc} = 0.05$ $\rho_{tu} = 0.85$ 0.6 2.0 0 1.5 2.5 σ 2.75 σ ★2.81 σ 0.5 $\rho_{tu} / \sum_{i} \rho_{ti} = 1$ $\rho_{tc} / \sum_{i} \vec{\rho}_{ti} = 1$

No significant excess over SM background is observed.

- Most significant deviation observed at m_H=1000 GeV with local significance of 2.81 σ.
- Results are also interpreted in RPV SUSY model.

 $A \rightarrow Zh(\rightarrow bb)$

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- Search for heavy pseudoscalar A decaying to Z boson and SM Higgs in ggF or b-associated production.
- Signal regions categorized according to $0\ell (Z \rightarrow \nu\nu)$ or $2\ell (Z \rightarrow ll)$ and b-jet multiplicity.
- Model-independent limits on ggA and bbA (combined 0ℓ+2ℓ).
 - Largest deviation from the SM expectation found at 500 GeV in ggA search, corresponding to significance of 2.1σ (1.1 σ) local (global) (1.6 σ for bbA).
- Interpretation for four 2HDM types.





No significant excess is observed.

$V \rightarrow l\nu, \nu\nu, ll$

Neutral heavy CP-even scalar H \rightarrow hh \rightarrow bbbb in association with a vector boson (W or Z).

 $q \rightarrow lv, vv, ll$ $h \rightarrow bb$ $h \rightarrow bb$

SM-like non-resonant *hh* production

- Three leptonic channels (0L, 1L, 2L) define the signal regions.
- m_{hh} / m_{Zhh} mass resolution improved by scaling the *b*-jet momenta with the ratio of the measured di-*b*-jet mass to 125 GeV.
 - The relative m_{hh} resolution **improves by a factor of ~3**.







★ VH(→hh)





- Multivariate techniques based on boosted decision trees (BDT) are used as final discriminants to extract potential signal contributions.
- Maximum-likelihood fit to BDT distributions in the SRs to extract the results.



- Large-width LW A \rightarrow ZH channel (m_A , m_H) = (420, 320) GeV with local (global) significance of 3.8 σ (2.8 σ).
- The upper limits are calculated for type-I 2HDM and for the lepton-specific 2HDM.

Light Neutral Scalar

t Low mass $X \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

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- Search for di-photon resonances in the mass range between 10 to 70 GeV.
- Exploit the particular kinematics of events to reach invariant masses down to 10 GeV.
 - Select close-by $\gamma\gamma$ pairs (boosted against a jet) and $p_T^{\gamma\gamma} > 50$ GeV to overcome trigger energy threshold.
 - Complex analytic function used to adequately model low-mass turn-on and inflection feature.
- Most significant deviation from the background observed at **19.4 GeV** with **local (global) significance 3.05σ (1.48σ).**
- The observed limits are recasted in the parameter space of an axion-like particle, covering a longstanding gap in di-photon resonance searches.





Charged Higgs Boson

$\star H^{++}H^{--} \rightarrow 4l$

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- Searches for **doubly charged Higgs boson** $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow l^{\pm}l'^{\pm}$ (*l*, *l'* = *e*, μ , leptonic τ) pair decays.
 - Left-right symmetric (LRS) models, Georgi-Machacek model...
 - Lepton flavor violation (LFV) decays are allowed: $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow l^{\pm}l'^{\pm}$.
 - Couplings assumed to be the same for all flavor combinations.

No significant excess over SM prediction is observed.

- Combined lower limit on $H^{\pm\pm}$ mass at **1080 GeV** under the assumption $\sum_{ll'} B(H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow l^{\pm}l'^{\pm}) = 100\%$.
 - 300 GeV higher than the previous ATLAS measurement (Eur. Phys. J. C 78 (2018) 199).



$\bigstar H^{\pm} \to ZW \to l\nu l'l'$

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- Search for *WZ* resonance in fully leptonic final state.
 - Heavy Vector Triplet (HVT) model as benchmark for W' and **Georgi–Machacek model for** H_5^{\pm} .
 - The fully leptonic channel is more sensitive to resonances with mass below ~ 1 TeV because of the low background, in spite of the low branching ratio.



- All final states with three charged leptons (e or μ) and missing transverse momentum from WZ leptonic decays are considered.
- Two selections are defined in order to build signal regions targeting Drell–Yan and VBF productions modes.
 - Drell-Yan SR: cut-based selection.
 - **VBF SR**: Artificial neural network (ANN).



$\bigstar H^{\pm} \to ZW \to l\nu l'l'$

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Data

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 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}, 139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

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- Simultaneous maximum-likelihood fit of binned m(WZ) in SR & CRs are performed.
 - Local (global) significance of 2.8σ (1.6σ) at 375 GeV in VBF SR.
- Observed and expected exclusion limits at 95% CL on $\sigma \times B(H_5^{\pm} \rightarrow WZ)$ and on the mixing parameter $sin\theta_H$.
 - Exclusion limits of $sin\theta_H$ are ~35% stronger than previous ATLAS result (Phys. Lett. B 787 (2018) 68).
- Upper limits are also set on HVT W'→ WZ in the Drell–Yan and VBF SRs separately. (See backup slides.)



Summary plots for hMSSM interpretations



Benchmark scenario for the Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM) Higgs sector.

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Unless otherwise specified, only gluon–gluon fusion is considered for the production mode.

Summary plots for Type-I 2HDM interpretations ATL-PHYS-PUB-2022-043

- Benchmark scenario of type-I 2HDM with assumptions: $m_H = m_A = m_{H^{\pm}}$, $m_h = 125$ GeV, $m_{12}^2 = m_A^2$.
- Assume a narrow width (< 5%) Higgs boson.



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Summary

- Comprehensive programs from the ATLAS experiment targeting signatures of additional scalars and pseudoscalars.
- Results are generally consistent with the Standard Model expectations.
- More results with full Run 2 data are still being released.
- Looking forward to uncovering more of the phase space in Run-3!



THANK YOU!

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Additional Scalar Bosons in the ATLAS Experiment (HiggsHunting2022)

$\star t\bar{t}H/A \to t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

• Two BDT classifiers are used:

SM BDT:

Separates SM $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ events from other SM backgrounds due to the similar kinematics of the signal and SM $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ events.

BSM pBDT (BSM massparametrised BDT):

Discriminates BSM $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ signal events against all backgrounds.



| Process | Pre-fit | Post-fit |
|---|-----------------|----------------|
| tītī | 22.3 ± 5.4 | 25.9 ± 5.4 |
| tłW QCD | 9.4 ± 9.3 | 17.1 ± 6.9 |
| $t\bar{t}W$ EW | 1.3 ± 0.5 | 1.4 ± 0.6 |
| $t\bar{t}WW$ | 1.8 ± 1.0 | 1.9 ± 1.0 |
| $t\bar{t}(Z/\gamma^*)$ (high mass) | 8.5 ± 2.2 | 9.2 ± 2.3 |
| tīH | 7.2 ± 1.7 | 7.8 ± 1.7 |
| QmisID | 2.1 ± 0.1 | 2.1 ± 0.1 |
| Mat. Conv. | 1.8 ± 0.6 | 3.0 ± 1.2 |
| Low m_{γ^*} | 1.2 ± 0.6 | 0.8 ± 0.8 |
| HF e | 0.6 ± 0.5 | 0.6 ± 0.5 |
| HF μ | 2.7 ± 1.0 | 2.9 ± 1.2 |
| LF | 1.1 ± 1.2 | 0.4 ± 1.0 |
| Other fake | 1.1 ± 0.7 | 1.3 ± 0.7 |
| tZ, tWZ | 0.9 ± 0.3 | 0.9 ± 0.3 |
| VV, VH, VVV | 0.3 ± 0.1 | 0.3 ± 0.1 |
| tīt | 1.9 ± 1.9 | 2.3 ± 2.1 |
| $t\bar{t}WZ, t\bar{t}ZZ, t\bar{t}WH, t\bar{t}HH$ | 1.3 ± 0.3 | 1.4 ± 0.3 |
| Total background | 65.6 ± 13.2 | 79.5 ± 6.8 |
| $t\bar{t}H(\rightarrow t\bar{t}), m_H = 400 \text{ GeV}$ | 38.6 ± 2.4 | _ |
| $t\bar{t}H(\rightarrow t\bar{t}), m_H = 1000 \text{ GeV}$ | 4.4 ± 0.2 | - |
| Data | 91 | |

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$\bigstar t\bar{t}H/A \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

- Uncertainties associated to the generator are estimated by comparing the prediction from the nominal samples with the
 alternative samples generated with Madgraph5_aMC@NLO. The uncertainties due to missing higher-order QCD corrections
 are evaluated in the same way as for the signal.
- 12% (10%) on $t^{-}tZ$ ($t^{-}tH$) total cross-section.
- 1% to both $t^{-}tZ$ and $t^{-}tH$.
- 20% to t^-tW EW cross-section. Additional 124% (200%) to t^-tW QCD production with seven (eight or more) jets.
- 50% to events with an additional true *b*-jet and a separate 50% uncertainty to events with additional two or more true *b*-jets.
- Uncertainty on *t*⁻*tt* cross-section is set to 100%.
- An extra uncertainty of 50% to t^-tt with at least one additional true *b*-jet.
- 30% to the cross-section of tZ and tWZ single-top-quark processes.
- Uncertainty on diboson cross-section is set to 40%.
- For rare top-quark processes, $t^{-}tWW$, $t^{-}tZZ$, $t^{-}tWZ$, $t^{-}tHH$, $t^{-}tWH$, an uncertainty on the cross-section of 50%.
- For the remaining small backgrounds, an uncertainty of 50% is assigned to the cross-section.
- An additional uncertainty of 50% is applied to all small backgrounds except $t^{-}tt$.
- 50% (100%) for the material conversion background applied to events with mCV ee > 0.1 GeV.
- Uncertainty of normalisation of the background coming from light-flavour non-prompt leptons is 100%.
- 30% for fakes/non-prompt leptons.
- Uncertainty of 30% is assigned to events with three true *b*-jets, and a separate 30% uncertainty to events with at least four true *b*-jets.

 $\star t\bar{t}H/A \to t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

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| Region | Channel | Nj | N _b | Other selection cuts | Fitted variable |
|-------------------------------|--|-----------------|----------------|---|------------------------------|
| CR Conv | $e^{\pm}e^{\pm} \parallel e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$ | $4 \le N_j < 6$ | ≥ 1 | $m_{ee}^{CV} \in [0, 0.1] \text{ GeV}$ 200 < H_{T} < 500 GeV | $m_{ee}^{\rm PV}$ |
| CR HF e | eee eeµ | | = 1 | $100 < H_{\rm T} < 250 { m ~GeV}$ | Yield |
| $\overline{\text{CR HF }\mu}$ | еµµ µµµ | | = 1 | $100 < H_{\rm T} < 250 { m ~GeV}$ | Yield |
| CR tīW | $e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm} \mid\mid \mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$ | ≥ 4 | ≥ 2 | $m_{ee}^{CV} \notin [0, 0.1] \text{ GeV}, \eta(e) < 1.5$ for $N_{b} = 2, H_{T} < 500 \text{ GeV}$ or $N_{j} < 6$; for $N_{b} \ge 3, H_{T} < 500 \text{ GeV}$ | $\sum p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\ell}$ |
| CR lowBDT | SS+3L | ≥ 6 | ≥ 2 | $H_{\rm T} > 500 \text{ GeV}, \text{SM BDT} < 0.55$ | SM BDT |
| BSM SR | SS+3L | ≥ 6 | ≥ 2 | $H_{\rm T} > 500 \text{ GeV}, \text{SM BDT} \ge 0.55$ | BSM pBDT |

SM BDT



BSM pBDT

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160 Baseline SR

Pre-Fit

 $\star t\bar{t}H/A \to t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

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FCNC $t \rightarrow qX(\rightarrow bb)$

- Signal and control regions are defined based on jet and b-jet multiplicity: SR 4j 3b, 5j 3b, 6j 3b; CR 4j 4b, 5j ≥4b, 6j ≥4b.
- A discriminant Neural Network (NN) is trained for each $t \rightarrow uX$ or $t \rightarrow cX$ process to distinguish signal and background.



• Reweight using H_T^{all} , the scalar sum of the transverse momenta of all selected objects in the event to correct mismodelling of MC predictions.

 $R(H_{\rm T}^{\rm all}) = \frac{N_{\rm Data}(H_{\rm T}^{\rm all}) - N_{\rm MC}^{\rm non-t\bar{t}}(H_{\rm T}^{\rm all})}{N_{\rm MC}^{t\bar{t}}(H_{\rm T}^{\rm all})}$



FCNC $t \rightarrow qX(\rightarrow bb)$

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| Uncertainty source | $\Delta\mu(uX_{30})$ | $\Delta\mu(uX_{80})$ | $\Delta\mu(uX_{120})$ | Uncertainty source | $\Delta\mu(cX_{30})$ | $\Delta \mu(cX_{80})$ | $\Delta\mu(cX_{120})$ |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|---|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| $t\bar{t} + \ge 1b$ modelling | 0.040 | 0.060 | 0.098 | $t\bar{t} + \ge 1b$ modelling | 0.034 | 0.074 | 0.079 |
| $t\bar{t} + \geq 1c$ modelling | 0.033 | 0.055 | 0.091 | $t\bar{t} + \ge 1c$ modelling | 0.010 | 0.012 | 0.040 |
| $t\bar{t}$ +light modelling | 0.034 | 0.058 | 0.040 | $t\bar{t}$ +light modelling | 0.008 | 0.049 | 0.038 |
| $t\bar{t} + \geq 1b$ normalisation | 0.012 | 0.011 | 0.039 | $t\bar{t} + \geq 1b$ normalisation | 0.026 | 0.038 | 0.001 |
| $t\bar{t}+\geq 1c$ normalisation | 0.017 | 0.036 | 0.087 | $t\bar{t} + \geq 1c$ normalisation | 0.019 | 0.048 | 0.013 |
| $W \rightarrow cb$ modelling | 0.001 | 0.010 | 0.017 | $W \rightarrow cb$ modelling | 0.001 | 0.020 | 0.015 |
| Reweighting | 0.005 | 0.013 | 0.017 | Reweighting | 0.005 | 0.013 | 0.019 |
| Other backgrounds | 0.008 | 0.026 | 0.023 | Other backgrounds | 0.009 | 0.057 | 0.047 |
| Luminosity, JVT, pile-up | 0.002 | 0.006 | 0.012 | Luminosity, JVT, pile-up | 0.005 | 0.005 | 0.003 |
| Lepton trigger, identification, isolation | 0.001 | 0.004 | 0.007 | Lepton trigger, identification, isolation | 0.001 | 0.004 | 0.003 |
| Jet energy scale and resolution | 0.008 | 0.037 | 0.040 | Jet energy scale and resolution | 0.017 | 0.049 | 0.051 |
| <i>b</i> -tagging efficiency for <i>b</i> -jets | 0.007 | 0.008 | 0.041 | <i>b</i> -tagging efficiency for <i>b</i> -jets | 0.003 | 0.016 | 0.023 |
| <i>b</i> -tagging efficiency for <i>c</i> -jets | 0.014 | 0.027 | 0.079 | <i>b</i> -tagging efficiency for <i>c</i> -jets | 0.010 | 0.038 | 0.091 |
| <i>b</i> -tagging efficiency for light jets | 0.007 | 0.008 | 0.010 | <i>b</i> -tagging efficiency for light jets | 0.009 | 0.065 | 0.125 |
| $E_{ m T}^{ m miss}$ | 0.002 | 0.010 | 0.011 | $E_{ m T}^{ m miss}$ | 0.001 | 0.003 | 0.008 |
| Total systematic uncertainty | 0.077 | 0.125 | 0.220 | Total systematic uncertainty | 0.056 | 0.150 | 0.208 |
| Signal statistical uncertainty | 0.014 | 0.009 | 0.007 | Signal statistical uncertainty | 0.017 | 0.012 | 0.008 |
| Total statistical uncertainty | 0.064 | 0.070 | 0.065 | Total statistical uncertainty | 0.064 | 0.067 | 0.058 |
| Total uncertainty | 0.098 | 0.141 | 0.230 | Total uncertainty | 0.079 | 0.162 | 0.217 |

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• Maximum-likelihood fits are performed on the observed binned distributions of the **"effective mass"** m_{eff} discriminants in the two SRs and CRs simultaneously.

$$m_{\text{eff}} \equiv \sum_{i} p_{\text{T}}^{i}(\text{lepton}) + p_{\text{T}}(\text{leading J}) + E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}, \text{ boosted category}$$

$$m_{\text{eff}} \equiv \sum_{i} p_{\text{T}}^{i}(\text{lepton}) + p_{\text{T}}(\text{leading j}) + p_{\text{T}}(\text{sub-leading j}) + E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}, \text{ resolved category.}$$

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- The total theoretical uncertainty in the yields from different signal samples varies between 10% and 40% in the SRs.
- The total variation on charge-flip background yields from systematic uncertainties is approximately 10%, which is dominated by the uncertainty from using directly the *Z* + jets MC simulation.
- The overall systematic uncertainty amounts to approximately 13% (10%) for the electron (muon) fake factors, with the dominant contribution coming from the fake factor derivations in the inclusive pT and $|\eta|$ region.
- The overall systematic uncertainty of photon conversion background is found to be approximately 8%.

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- Multiple leptons, b-jets in final states and multi-output deep neural network (DNN) classifier (DNN^{CAT}) → 17 SRs + 10 CRs.
- A second DNN is trained in each of the signal regions to discriminate the signal from the total backgrounds (*DNN*^{SB}).

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್ಷ 0.6 σ×BR [pb] ್^{ರ 0.3} 1000 g 1000 Seg σ×BR [pb] ATLAS Preliminary ATLAS Preliminary ---- Prediction — Prediction $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$. 139 fb⁻¹ $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$. 139 fb⁻¹ - Observed limit Observed limit Mass [Mass | 10 10 ----- Expected limit ----- Expected limit 95% C.L. limits 95% C.L. limits 0.25 0.5 Expected limit ±1o Expected limit ±1 a2HDM a2HDM Expected limit ±2σ Expected limit $\pm 2\sigma$ 800 800 0.4 0.2 700 700 0.15 600 0.3 600 500 500 10 10 $\rho_{\rm tr} = 0, \rho_{\rm tr} = 0.2, \rho_{\rm tr} = 0.2$ $\rho_{tt} = 0.4, \rho_{tt} = 0.2, \rho_{tc} = 0.2$ 0.1 0.2 400 400 ATLAS Preliminary ATLAS Preliminary $\rho_{tu} = \rho_{te}$. All limits at 95% CL 300 400 500 600 700 800 ρ_{tu} =0. All limits at 95% CL 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 1000 900 1000 200 200 0.05 300 Λ 300 - Observed limit — Observed limit *т*_н [GeV] *т*_н [GeV] ----- Expected limit ----- Expected limit 200 200 σ×BR [pb] ATLAS Preliminary 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 — Prediction ρ,, √s = 13 TeV, 139 fb⁻¹ — Observed limit ----- Expected limit 95% C.L. limits ر ⊒ 0.3 008 Mass [GeV] 1000 Seg Expected limit ±1o a2HDM Expected limit ±20 Mass [10 0.25 0.5 700 800 0.2 0.4 10^{-2} 600 700 $\rho_{\mu}=1, \rho_{\mu}=0, \rho_{\mu}=0$ 0.15 600 0.3 500 10^{-3} 500 900 400 500 600 800 1000 700 400 0.1 0.2 *т*_н [GeV] 400 ATLAS Preliminary ATLAS Preliminary ρ_{tc} =0. All limits at 95% CL 300 ρ =0. All limits at 95% Cl 0.05 300 0 — Observed limit — Observed limit ----- Expected limit ----- Expected limit 200 200 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.5 0.6 0.7 0.8 0.9 0.05 0.1 0.25 0.3 0.15 0.2

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| Systematic uncertainty | Components | Systematic uncertainty | Components |
|--|------------|--|------------|
| Signal modelling | | Luminosity | 1 |
| Cross section (N) | 1 | Pile-up reweighting | 1 |
| $t\bar{t}W$ modelling | | Physics objects | |
| QCD scale | 3 | Electron | 6 |
| Generator | 2 | Muon | 15 |
| Electroweak cross section | 1 | Electron Non-prompt BDT | 14 |
| Additional heavy-flavour | 1 | Muon Non-prompt BDT | 20 |
| $t\bar{t}Z/\gamma^*$ (high mass) modelling | | Jet energy scale | 30 |
| QCD scale | 2 | Jet energy resolution | 12 |
| Generator | 2 | Jet vertex fraction | 1 |
| Additional heavy-flavour | 1 | Jet flavour tagging | 62 |
| $t\bar{t}H$ modelling | | $E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}$ | 3 |
| Cross section (N) | 1 | Total (Experimental) | 165 |
| Parton shower and hadronisation model | 1 | Data-driven reducible background estimates | |
| Generator | 1 | Material conversions modelling | 1 |
| QCD scale | 1 | Internal conversions modelling | 1 |
| Additional heavy-flavour | 1 | Charge misassignment | 1 |
| WZ modelling | | HF non-prompt | 8 |
| QCD scale | 1 | $t\bar{t}$ additional heavy-flavour | 2 |
| Cross section (N) | 1 | Total (Data-driven reducible background) | 13 |
| Extra-jets correction | 1 | Total (Overall) | 207 |
| $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ modelling | | | 207 |
| Generator | 1 | | |
| Cross section (N) | 1 | | |
| Other background modelling | | | |
| Cross section (N) | 6 | | |
| Total (Signal and background modelling) | 29 | | |

- Additional uncertainties are evaluated from renormalization and factorisation scale variations by a factor of 0.5 and 2, relative to the nominal scales, for t⁻tW, t⁻tZ, and diboson.
- An additional 50% uncertainty is assigned to t⁻tW, t⁻tZ, and t⁻t events with additional heavy-flavour jets.
- The t⁻tt⁻t, t⁻tH, and tZ processes are assigned an uncertainty of 20%, 11%, and 5%.
- A 50% cross section uncertainty is assigned as a conservative estimate to t⁻tt, tWZ, t⁻tWW, triboson backgrounds and t⁻tW electroweak contribution.
- An uncertainty of 20% on the extrapolation from Mex to T leptons is applied.
- An additional 50% uncertainty is assigned to events originating from t⁻t +≥ 1b and t⁻t +≥ 1c, decorrelated between flavours.
- An N_{b-jets}-dependent uncertainty is added to the HF nonprompt background ranging from 6%–40% for 1–3 additional bjets in the non-prompt muon regions, and 10%–80% in the non-prompt electron regions.
- An additional uncertainty of 10% and 50% is assigned to the material and internal conversion backgrounds.
- A systematic uncertainty of 10–60% is assigned to the background from electrons with misidentified charge.

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Additional Scalar Bosons in the ATLAS Experiment (HiggsHunting2022)

Use transverse mass as discriminating variables: $m_{T,Zh}$ in 0 ℓ channel; m_{Zh} in 2 ℓ channel.

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$\bigstar A \to Zh(\to b\bar{b})$

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| Process | Quantity/source | Value | | Process | Quantity/source | Value |
|---------------|---|--------------|-----------------|---------|--|---------|
| 7 i hf | 0/2 lep. norm. | float W + bf | | Wilhf | 0/2 lep. norm. | 30% |
| Z + III | 1-lep. norm. | 50% | <i>ii</i> + III | | 1-lep. norm. | float |
| | 0/2-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 10%-19% | | | $0/2$ lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 13%-28% |
| | 1-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 9%-18% | | | 1-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 15%-22% |
| | 0-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 5%-12% | | | 0-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 5%-28% |
| | 1-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 6%-20% | | | 1-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 3% |
| | 0-lep. \leftrightarrow 1-lep. | 7%-27% | | | 0-lep. \leftrightarrow 1-lep. | 4% |
| | 0-lep. \leftrightarrow 2-lep. | 4%-16% | | | generator, PDF, scale | S |
| | generator, PDF, scale | S | | | <i>p</i> _{T,<i>ij</i>} reweighting (0-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{\mathrm{T},jj}$ reweighting | S | | | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S | | | $p_{T,W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{T,W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S | | | Large-R jet $p_{\rm T}$ non-closure | S |
| | Large- R jet p_{T} non-closure | S | | | JetBinMigration (1-lep.) | S |
| 7 . hl | 0/2 lep. norm. | float | | With | 0/2 lep. norm. | 30% |
| Z + III | 1-lep. norm. | 50% | | W + III | 1-lep. norm. | float |
| | 0/2 lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 15%-28% | | | $0/2$ lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 2%-43% |
| | 1-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 12%-13% | | | 1-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 12%-13% |
| | 0-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 3%-20% | | | 0-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 2%-20% |
| | 1-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 5%-7% | | | 1-lep. SR ↔ CR | 1%-2% |
| | 0-lep. \leftrightarrow 1-lep. | 7%-27% | | | 0-lep. \leftrightarrow 1-lep. | 4% |
| | 0-lep. \leftrightarrow 2-lep. | 6%-17% | | | generator, PDF, scale | S |
| | generator, PDF, scale | S | | | $p_{T,jj}$ reweighting (0-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{\mathrm{T},jj}$ reweighting | S | | | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S | | | $p_{T,W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{T,W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S | | | Large- R jet p_{T} non-closure | S |
| | Large- R jet p_{T} non-closure | S | | | JetBinMigration (1-lep.) | S |
| 7 + 1f | norm. | 19% | | W + 1f | 0/2 lep. norm. | 20% |
| $L \pm \Pi$ | 0/2 lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 8%-50% | | W + II | 1-lep. norm. | float |
| | 1-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 10%-29% | | | $0/2$ lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 14%-18% |
| | 0-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 5%-20% | | | 1-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 20%-21% |
| | 1-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 29%-99% | | | 0-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 4%-20% |
| | 0-lep. \leftrightarrow 1-lep. | 8%-39% | | | 1-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 2%-4% |
| | 0-lep. \leftrightarrow 2-lep. | 4%-17% | | | generator, PDF, scale | S |
| | generator, PDF, scale | S | | | $p_{T,jj}$ reweighting (0-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{\mathrm{T},jj}$ reweighting | S | | | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S | | | $p_{T,W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{T,W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S | | | Large-R jet $p_{\rm T}$ non-closure | S |
| | Large- R jet p_{T} non-closure | S | | | JetBinMigration (1-lep.) | S |

| Process | Quantity/source | Value |
|---------|---|--------|
| Signal | PS, ISR/FSR, PDF | 2%-7%, |
| SM Vh | 0/1/2-lep norm. | 32% |
| | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{\mathrm{T},W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S |
| | Large- <i>R</i> jet $p_{\rm T}$ non-closure | S |
| Diboson | 0/1-lep norm. | 50% |
| | 2-lep norm. | 20% |
| | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S |
| | $p_{\mathrm{T},W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S |
| | Large- <i>R</i> jet $p_{\rm T}$ non-closure | S |

| Process | Quantity/source | Value | |
|-----------|---|---------|--|
| Top quark | 0/1/2-lep. norm. | float | |
| 10p quark | $(b\overline{b}A$: separate $t\overline{t}$ +hf norm.) | noat | |
| | single-top-quark contribution | 19% | |
| | $t\bar{t} + V$ contribution | 50% | |
| | $t\bar{t} + h$ contribution | 50% | |
| | 0-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 9%-20% | |
| | 1-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 18%-20% | |
| | 2-lep. resolved \leftrightarrow merged | 18% | |
| | 0-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 2%-12% | |
| | 1-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 2%-3% | |
| | 2-lep. SR \leftrightarrow CR | 1.2% | |
| | PS, ISR/FSR, ME, PDF | S | |
| | DS vs DR scheme (Wt) | S | |
| | $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ non-closure (0-lep.) | S | |
| | $p_{T,W}$ non-closure (1-lep.) | S | |
| | Large- R jet p_{T} non-closure | S | |

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| Model | SM-like Vhh | WH | ZH | NW $A \rightarrow ZH$ | LW $A \rightarrow ZH$ |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Systematic uncertainty source | | | $\Delta \mu / \mu$ [%] | | |
| Background modelling | +20, -15 | +14, -11 | +4.7, -3.0 | +16, -12 | +20, -18 |
| MC statistics | +12, -9.1 | +13, -7.8 | +4.8, -2.2 | +6.6, -3.9 | +10, -8.3 |
| Objects | +12, -8.6 | +8.0, -5.2 | +4.5, -2.2 | +19, -11 | +16, -12 |
| Signal modelling | +10, -4.7 | +12, -4.9 | +8.6, -3.0 | +13, -5.4 | +17, -7.6 |
| VR non-closure | +14, -11 | +11, -9.4 | +4.4, -3.0 | +4.2, -3.3 | +12, -10 |
| Total systematic | +30, -22 | +27, -18 | +12, -5.8 | +27, -16 | +33, -24 |
| Statistical | +44, -39 | +52, -43 | +68, -49 | +53, -42 | +42, -37 |
| Total | +52, -44 | +59, -47 | +69, -49 | +60, -46 | +53, -45 |

t Low mass $X \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$

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- The turn-on region (TO) is described by an exponential function: $h_{\text{TO}}(m_{\gamma\gamma}; f_0, \tau_{\text{TO}}) = 1 (1 f_0)e^{-\frac{m_{\gamma\gamma}}{\tau_{\text{TO}}}}$
- The smoothly falling region beyond 30 GeV is described by a power-law functional form multiplied by an "activation" function, to increase its flexibility in the high mass region (above 50 GeV).
- The total function is given by:

 $h_{\text{High}}(m_{\gamma\gamma}; c_1, a_0, c_0, \delta_{\text{tail}}, \tau_{\text{tail}}, \delta_{\text{thresh}}, \tau_{\text{thresh}}) =$

$$h(h) = \underbrace{\left(1 - \left(\frac{m_{\gamma\gamma}}{c_1}\right)^{a_0}\right)^{c_0}}_{\text{Power-law}} \underbrace{\left(1 + \frac{e^{\frac{m_{\gamma\gamma} - \delta_{\text{tail}}}{\tau_{\text{tail}}}}}{1 + e^{-\frac{m_{\gamma\gamma} - \delta_{\text{thresh}}}{\tau_{\text{thresh}}}}\right)}_{\text{Activation function}}$$

| Source | Uncertainty | | |
|---|---|--|--|
| | On $\sigma_{\text{fid}} \cdot \mathcal{B}(X \to \gamma \gamma)$ [%] | | |
| Pile-up modeling | \pm 3.5 (at 10 GeV) – \pm 2 (beyond 15 GeV), mass dependent | | |
| Photon energy resolution | $\pm 2.5 - \pm 2.7$, mass dependent | | |
| Scale and PDFs uncertainties | $\pm 2.5 - \pm 0.5$, mass dependent | | |
| Trigger on close-by photons | ± 2 (at 10 GeV) – < 0.1 (beyond 35 GeV), mass dependent | | |
| Photon identification | ± 2.0 | | |
| Isolation efficiency | ± 2.0 | | |
| Luminosity (2015–2018) | ± 1.7 | | |
| Trigger | ± 1.0 | | |
| Signal shape modeling | < 1 | | |
| Photon energy scale | negligible | | |
| | Background modeling | | |
| Spurious signal (relative to δS) | 30-65 events (10-30 %), mass dependent | | |

$\star H^{++}H^{--} \rightarrow 4l$

- Signal regions separated by lepton multiplicities (2L, 3L, 4L).
- $m(l^{\pm}, l'^{\pm})$ used as main discriminant.
- Simultaneous fit over the invariant mass distributions in the SR and CR of the 2L and 3L final states plus a single bin event yield in the 4L final state to obtain the number of signal and background events.
- The limit obtained from the four-lepton final state is the most sensitive and drives the combined result.

$\star H^{++}H^{--} \rightarrow 4l$

 $\star H^{\pm} \to ZW \to l\nu l'l'$

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$\bigstar H^{\pm} \to ZW \to l\nu l'l'$

- Theory uncertainties
 - For the WZ-EWK background the uncertainties in the m(WZ) shape grow with the mass from 8% to 15%.
 - For the WZ–EWK they are added in quadrature, and the total uncertainty stays between 5 to 6% in all mass bins for both the Drell-Yan and VBF selections.
 - A modelling uncertainty in the WZ-QCD background template has no effect on the m(WZ) distribution's normalization at low mass, but grows to 5% at high mass.
 - For the ZZ background the shape uncertainties originating from the renormalization and factorization scales, as well as from the PDF and the chosen value of *αs* are evaluated in a similar way.
 - An uncertainty of 20% is assigned to t^-tV and VVV cross-sections.
 - The theory uncertainties of the HVT signals are evaluated to be less than 20% for all production modes and they are 30% for the GM model.
- Experimental uncertainties
 - The effect of jet uncertainties on the expected number of events ranges up to 15% in the VBF selection.
 - An uncertainty in the prediction of the fake/non-prompt background is about 60% (more than 100%) for the Drell–Yan (VBF) selections.

Summary plots for hMSSM interpretations

- Regions of the $[m_A, tan\beta]$ plane excluded in the hMSSM via direct searches for heavy Higgs bosons and fits to the measured rates of observed Higgs boson production and decays.
- Limits are quoted at 95% CL and are indicated for the data (solid lines) and the expectation for the SM Higgs sector (dashed lines). The light shaded or hatched regions indicate the observed exclusions.
- Unless otherwise specified, only gluon–gluon fusion is considered for the production mode.
- The cross-sections for the Higgs boson production in the hMSSM are calculated using up to NNLO QCD corrections for gluon–gluon fusion and b-associated production in the five-flavour scheme as implemented in *Sushi*. For b-associated production a cross-section in the four-flavour scheme is calculated and the results are combined with the five-flavour scheme calculation.
- The Higgs boson widths and branching ratios have been calculated using *HDECAY*.

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The excluded regions are obtained by interpreting the ATLAS cross-section upper limits for gluon–gluon fusion produced Higgs bosons only. The large asymmetry in $H \rightarrow hh$ between $\cos(\beta - \alpha) = 0.1$ and -0.1 is mainly due to the structure of the Hhh coupling. These limits assume a narrow width Higgs boson, an assumption that is not valid for H boson widths beyond 5% due to possible interference effects. Such regions constitute large parts of the parameter space probed and they are denoted by hatched areas in the figures. For the search for Higgs boson pairs, the experimental analysis considers the combination of three channels: bbbb, $bb\tau\tau$ and $bb\gamma\gamma$. The $bb\gamma\gamma$ channel is sensitive to natural widths of the H boson lower than a few percent, depending on the assumed mass of the H boson, and for that reason it has only been used in those parameter space areas that the 2HDM width prediction for the H boson is compatible with the experimental analysis in this channel. This is found to coincide with the region $m_H \leq 600$ GeV. The rest of the parameter space ($m_H > 600$ GeV) uses the combination of only *bbbb* and $bb\tau\tau$ channels. For the parameter space shown in these plots there is no similar issue with the width of the A boson. The excluded parameter space from this final state evades the constraints from H boson width and this is the reason it is shown superimposed on the region in which the width of H boson is more than 5%.