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Double Higgs boson production (HH) allows us to measure the Higgs self-interaction and is uniquely sensitive to the structure of the Higgs potential. This talk will cover the production of $HH \rightarrow 4b$ with highly boosted Higgs bosons in the gluon-fusion (ggF) and VBF production mode with 138 fb^{-1} of data collected with the CMS Experiment at $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ [1]. The four-bottom-quark final state has the largest branching ratio (33.9%) amongst all HH decays, but is dominated by large backgrounds (QCD and top) and a poor decay channel resolution. To enhance the signal sensitivity, this analysis uses a dedicated jet identification algorithm developed to identify boosted $H \rightarrow bb$ jets, known as the ParticleNet Tagger. This analysis is very sensitive to anomalous quartic VVHH couplings and, for the first time, we exclude $\kappa_{2V} = 0$ at $>5 \text{ sigma}$, when other Higgs couplings are at their SM values. This talk will cover the analysis methods used and show the final sensitivity to different HH couplings (κ_λ , κ_{2V} and κ_V). I'll also discuss future directions and scope of improvements for measuring the HH process.

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