

Top Mass Effects in the Higgs–Gluon Coupling: Boosted vs Off-Shell Production

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Outline

Hunting the heavy quark mass effects in Higgs production:

● Boosted Higgs

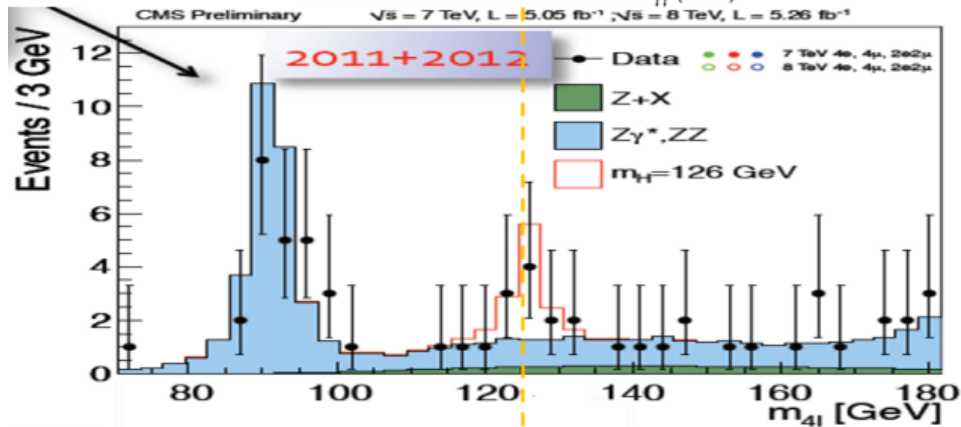
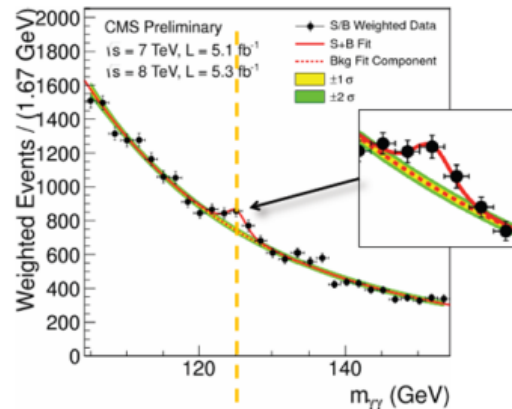
- H_j and H_{jj}
- Higgs + jets MEPS merging @LO & @NLO
- Reweighting function $W(p_{TH})$ top mass effects

● Off-shell Higgs

- H_j and H_{jj}
- $H \rightarrow ZZ$ off-shell mass effects
- Higgs width measurement

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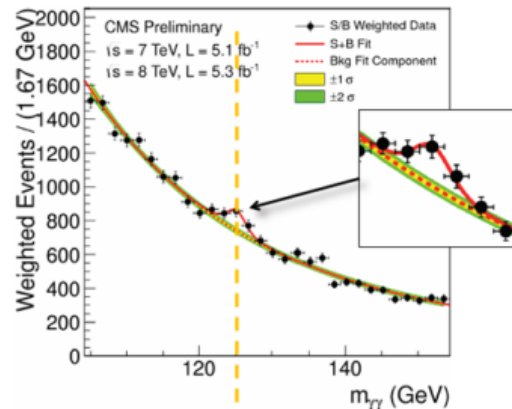


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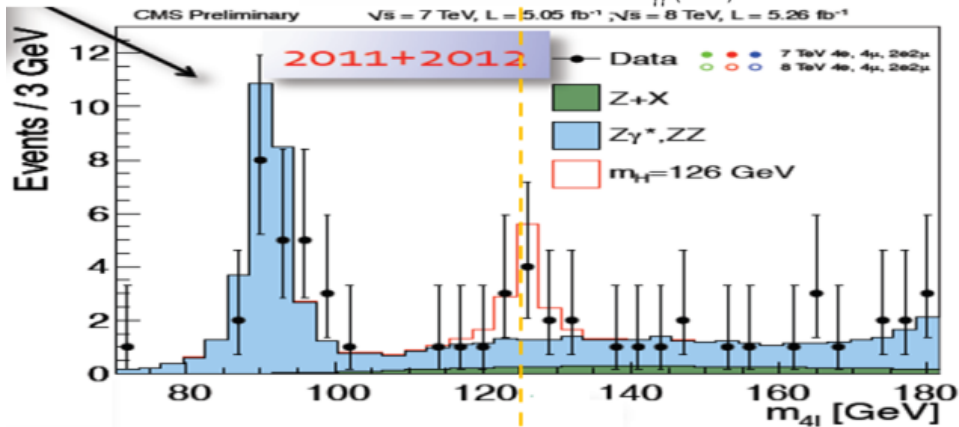


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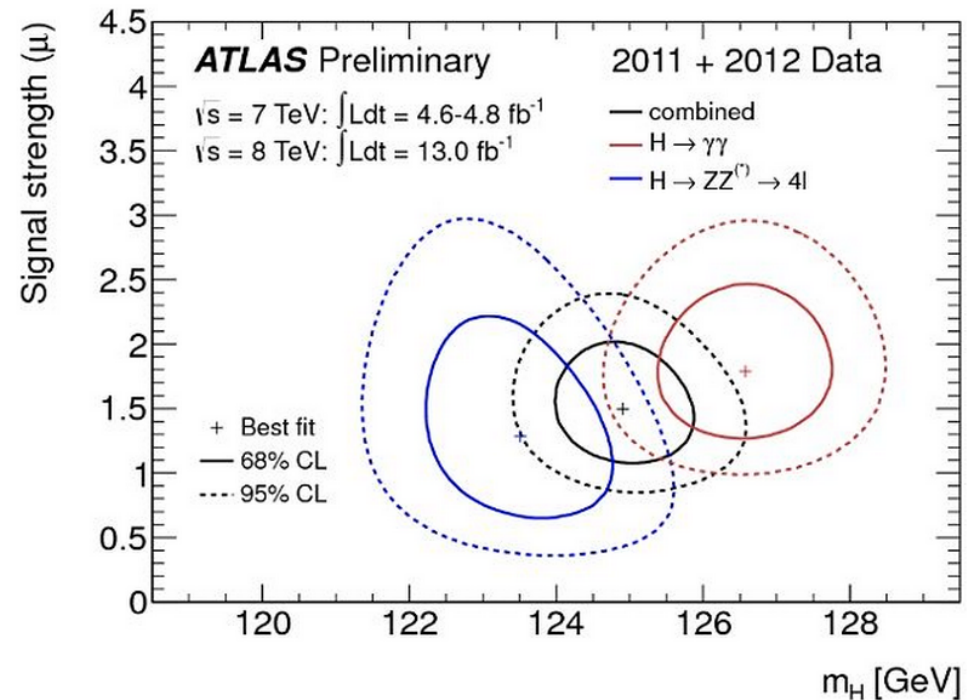
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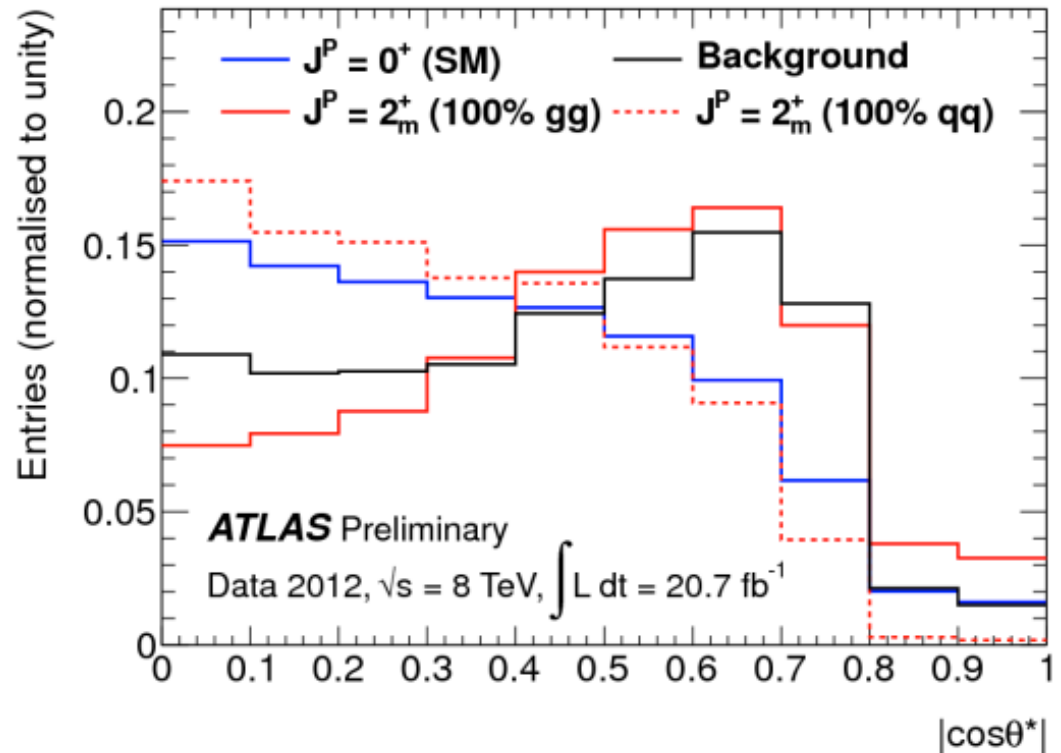
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Decay angle $\cos\theta^*$ in the Collins-Soper frame: sensitive to J

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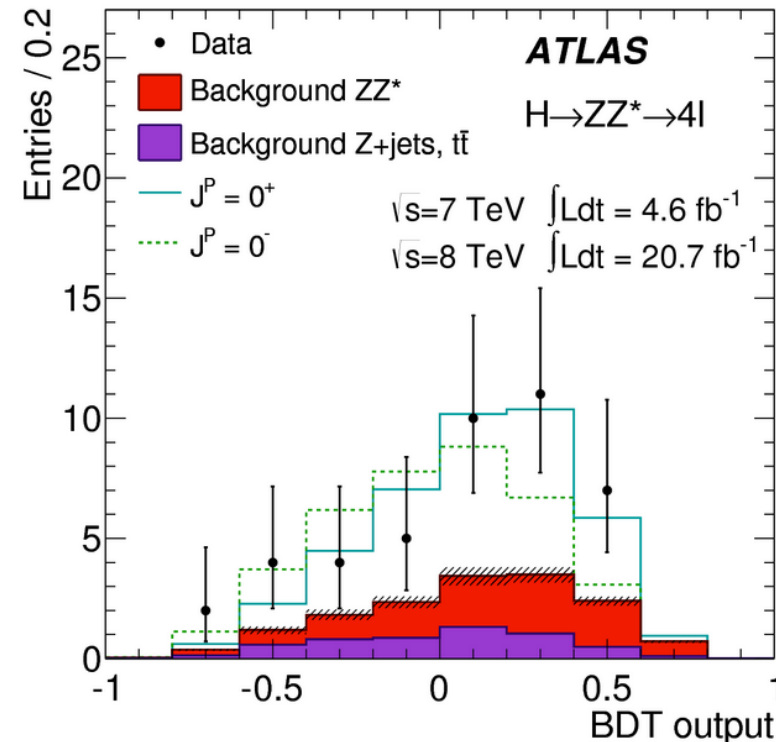
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→ Full final state reconstruction sensitive to J^P :

- 2 masses (M_{Z1}, M_{Z2}) and 5 angles
- Combined with Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) or Matrix Element based discriminant (D_{JP})

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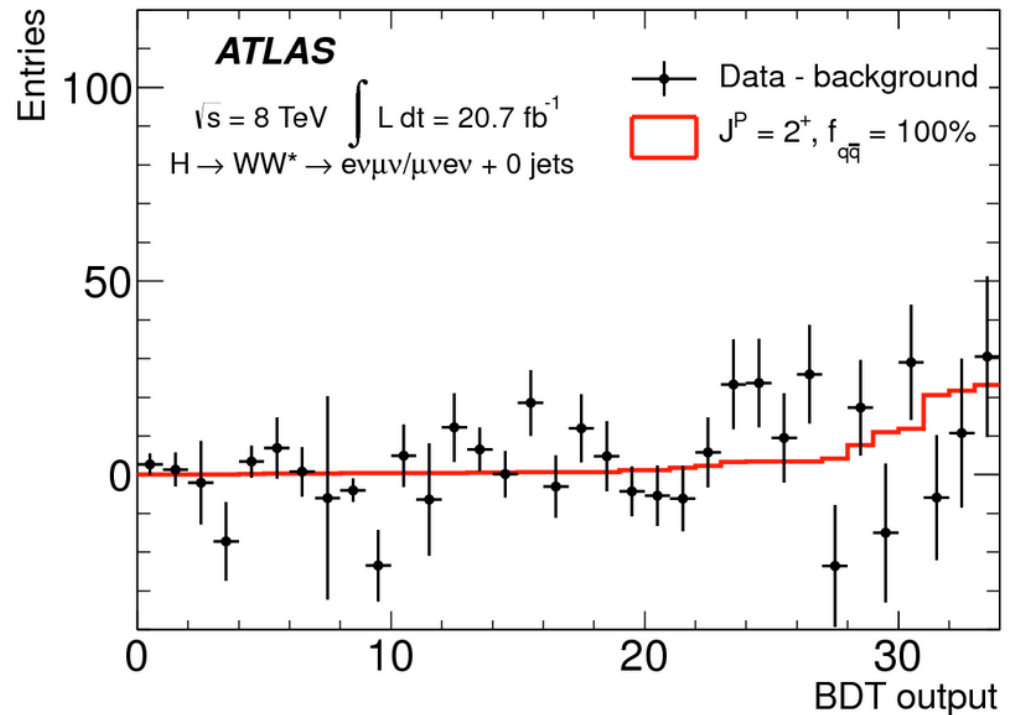
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Several variables sensitive to J^P :

- $\Delta\phi_{ll}, M_{ll}, \dots$
- Combined with BDT

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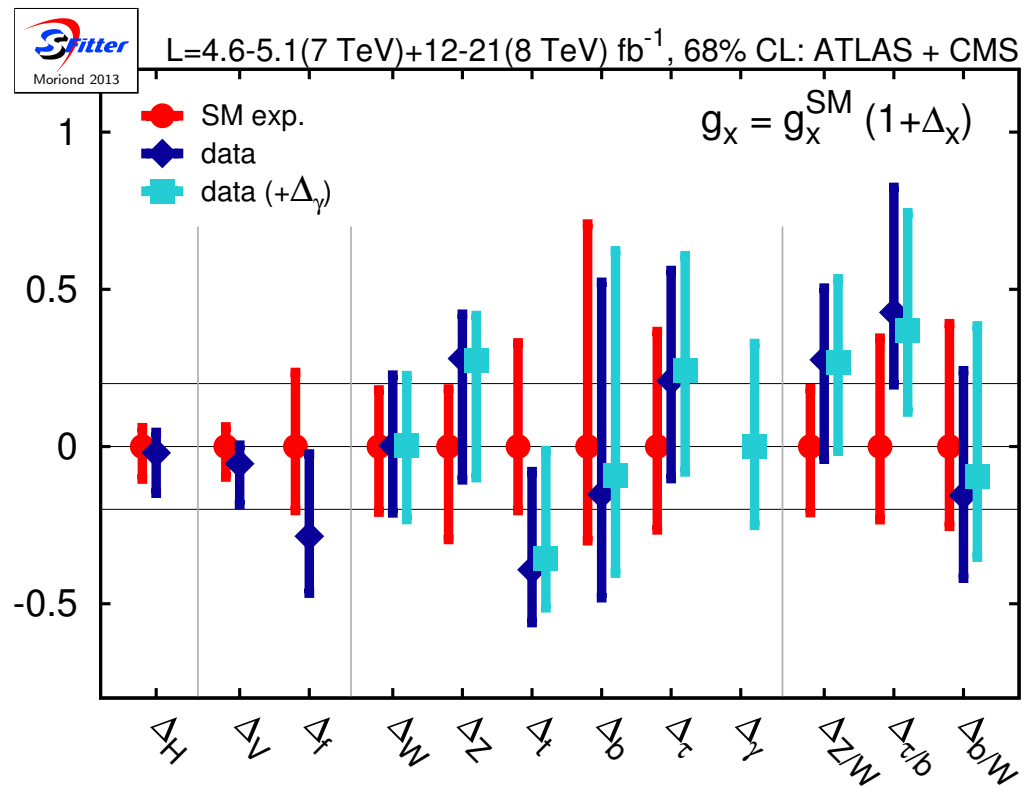
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All couplings in agreement with the SM



Klute, Lafaye, Plehn, Rauch, Zerwas (2012)

Strategy of Higgs analysis

Higgs–gauge couplings can be extracted from precise tree–level information

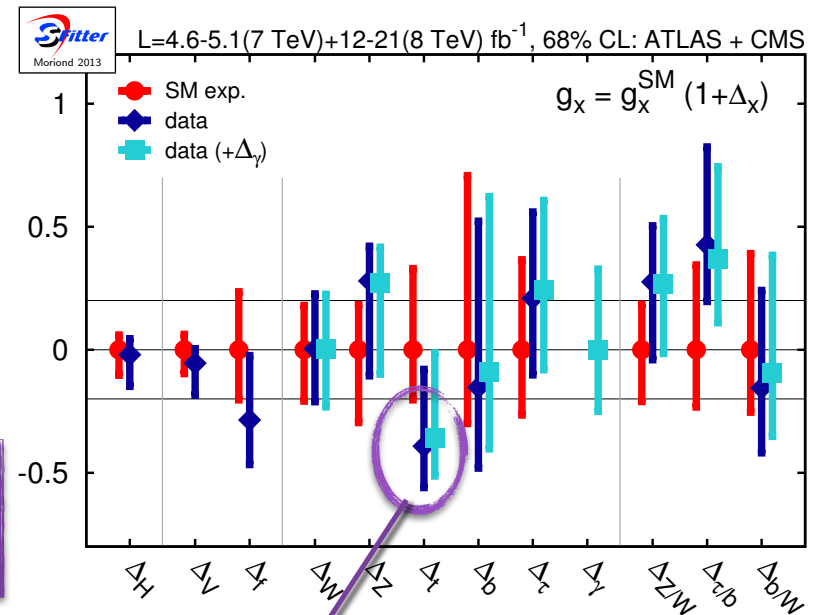
Higgs-fermions couplings largely relies on loop–induced couplings

→ Limited and model–dependent understanding of the top Yukawa coupling

→ Its measurement from ttH challenging

Can we use kinematical information to direct probe the Yukawa coupling in ggH?

→ Let's look at the structure of the ggH coupling

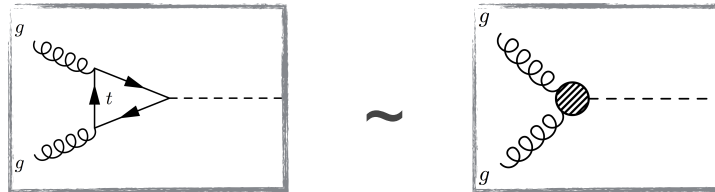


Important for Higgs production

Heavy quark mass effects in Higgs production

- Higgs interacts with gluons via a loop-induced coupling

$$\mathcal{L}_{ggH} \supset g_{ggH} \frac{H}{v} G^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}$$



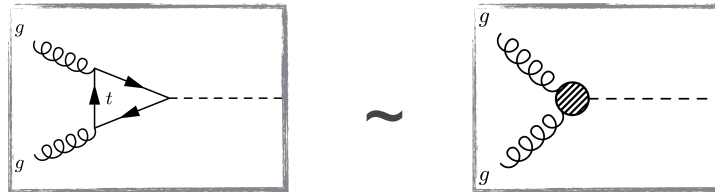
$$\frac{g_{ggH}}{v} = \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \frac{1}{v} \tau [1 + (1 - \tau)f(\tau)] \quad f(\tau) \stackrel{\text{on-shell}}{=} \left(\arcsin \sqrt{\frac{1}{\tau}} \right)^2 \quad \tau \rightarrow \infty \frac{1}{\tau} + \frac{1}{3\tau^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\tau^3}\right)$$

- HEFT is an excellent approximation for Higgs production $\tau = 4m_t^2/m_H^2$
- The exact N...LO calculations available are done in the HEFT framework
- It is a misconception to say that HEFT is equivalent to $m_t \rightarrow \text{infinity}$
Notice that we can get the finite top mass dependence in the HEFT
➔ Very simple functional... arcsin!

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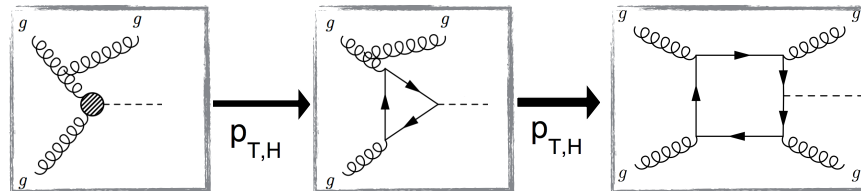
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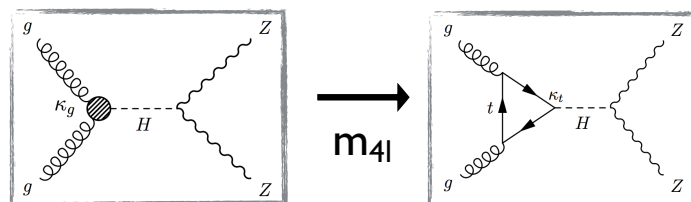
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- The exact N...LO calculations available are done in the HEFT framework
- However, it does not work so well if external particles go off-shell.
I.e., we start to directly probe the loop structure!

- Boosted Higgs:



- Off-shell Higgs:



Framework

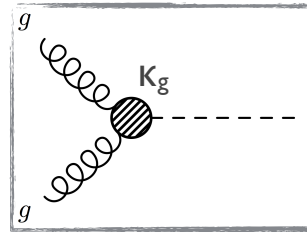
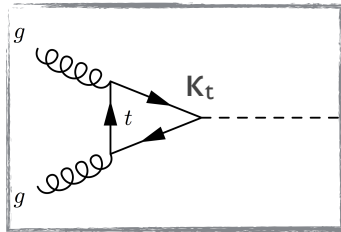
- Dim-6 operators with Yukawa coupling in the top loop no longer decouple
Instead, coupling strengths with finite value in the limit of large quark masses.
- Is the Y_t responsible for the ggH coupling or are there BSM contributions?

Relevant CP-even BSM operators to GF: →

$$\mathcal{O}_g = \frac{\alpha_s}{12\pi v^2} |H|^2 G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_y = \frac{y_t}{v^2} |H|^2 \bar{Q}_L \tilde{H} t_R$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{ggH} \supset -\kappa_t \frac{m_t}{v} \bar{t} t h + \kappa_g \frac{\alpha_s}{12\pi} \frac{h}{v} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{\mu\nu a}$$



Hj:

Schlaffer, Spannowsky, Takeuchi, Weiler, Wymant (2014)

Banfi, Martin, Sanz (2013)

Azatov, Paul (2014)

Grojean, Salvioni, Schlaffer Weiler (2013)

Hjj:

Buschman, Englert, DG, Plehn, Spannowsky (2014)

H+jets with NLO Merging+...:

Buschman, DG, Krauss, Kuttimalai, Schonherr, Plehn

- Disentangle κ_t and κ_g satisfying Higgs total rate $\sigma \sim |\kappa_t + \kappa_g|^2 \rightarrow \kappa_t + \kappa_g = 1$

$$\mathcal{M} = \kappa_t \mathcal{M}_t + \kappa_g \mathcal{M}_g$$

$$(\kappa_t, \kappa_g)_{SM} = (1, 0)$$

$$(\kappa_t, \kappa_g)_{HEFT} = (0, 1)$$

$$(\kappa_t, \kappa_g)_{BSM} = (0.8, 0.2)$$

Boosted Higgs

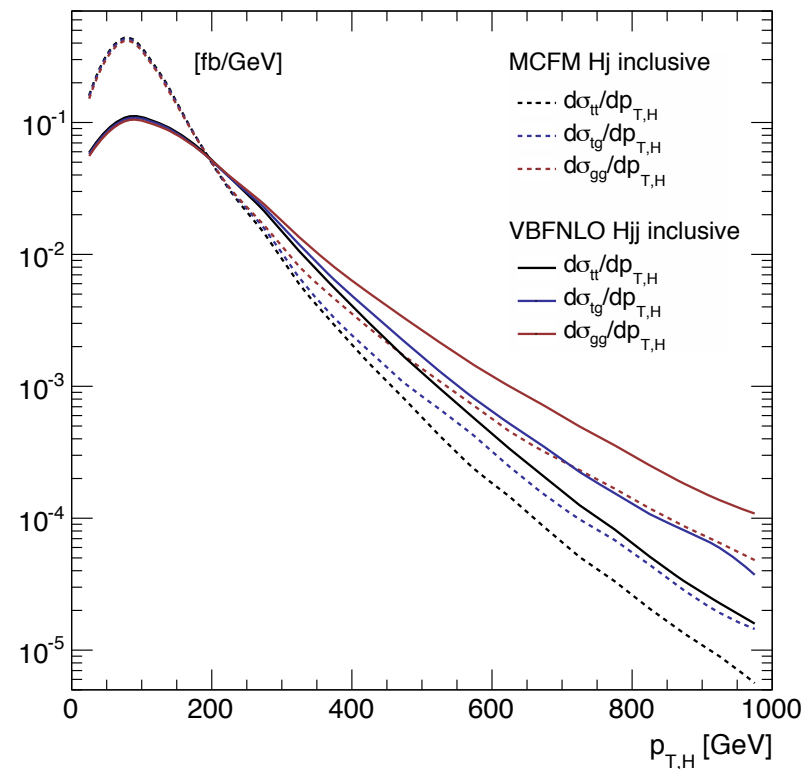
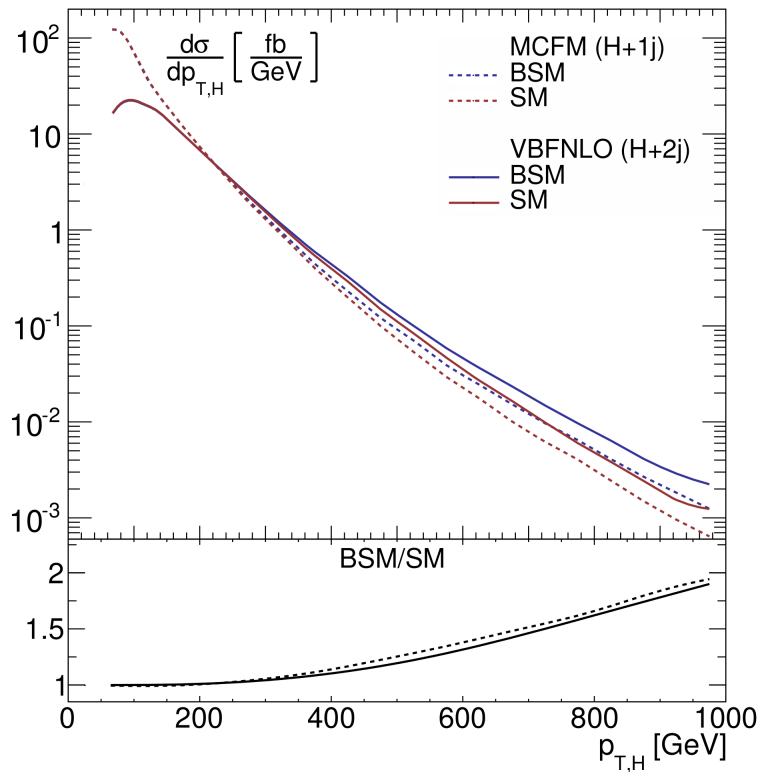
Log mass effects for H_j and H_{jj} have the same origin

For boosted Higgs production: $|\mathcal{M}_{Hj(j)}|^2 \propto m_t^4 \log^4 \frac{p_{T,H}^2}{m_t^2}$

$$\mathcal{M} = \kappa_t \mathcal{M}_t + \kappa_g \mathcal{M}_g$$



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\mathcal{O}} = \kappa_t^2 \frac{d\sigma_{tt}}{d\mathcal{O}} + \kappa_t \kappa_g \frac{d\sigma_{tg}}{d\mathcal{O}} + \kappa_g^2 \frac{d\sigma_{gg}}{d\mathcal{O}}$$



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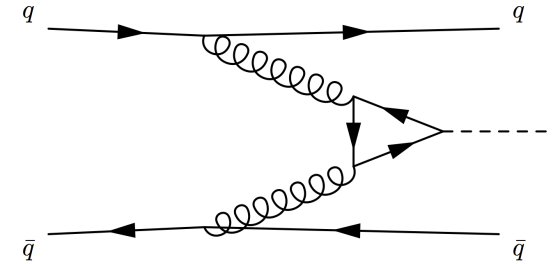
Boosted Higgs

● **H+1j:** $\sigma_{gg \rightarrow Hg} \propto m_t^4 \ln^4 \left(\frac{p_T^2}{m_t^2} \right)$

● **H+2j:** $\sigma_{q\bar{q} \rightarrow Hq\bar{q}} \propto \frac{m_t^4}{(Q_1^2 - Q_2^2)^2} \left[\ln^2 \left(\frac{Q_1^2}{m_t^2} \right) - \ln^2 \left(\frac{Q_2^2}{m_t^2} \right) \right]^2 \stackrel{Q_1 \gg Q_2}{\approx} \frac{m_t^4}{Q_1^4} \ln^4 \left(\frac{Q_1^2}{m_t^2} \right)$

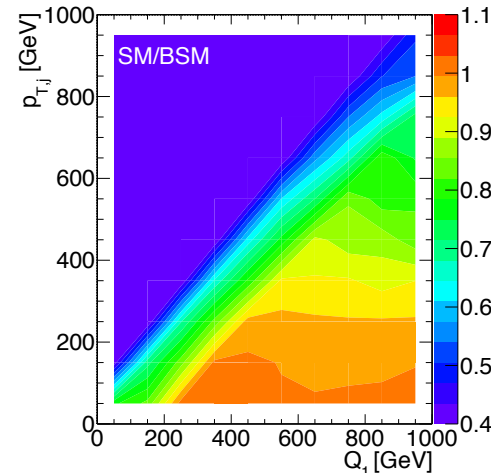
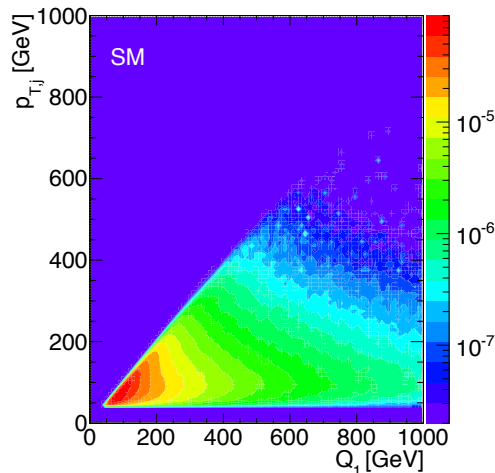
In the limit of one significantly harder tagging jet $Q_1 \gg Q_2$

$$\sigma_{q\bar{q} \rightarrow Hq\bar{q}} \propto m_t^4 \ln^4 \left(\frac{p_{T,j}^2}{m_t^2} \right) \sim m_t^4 \ln^4 \left(\frac{p_{T,H}^2}{m_t^2} \right)$$



● Logs at Hj and Hjj have the same origin. I.e., the top mass effects

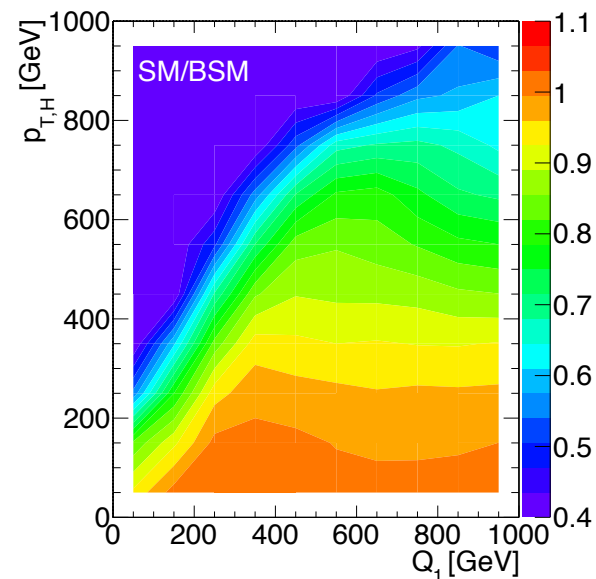
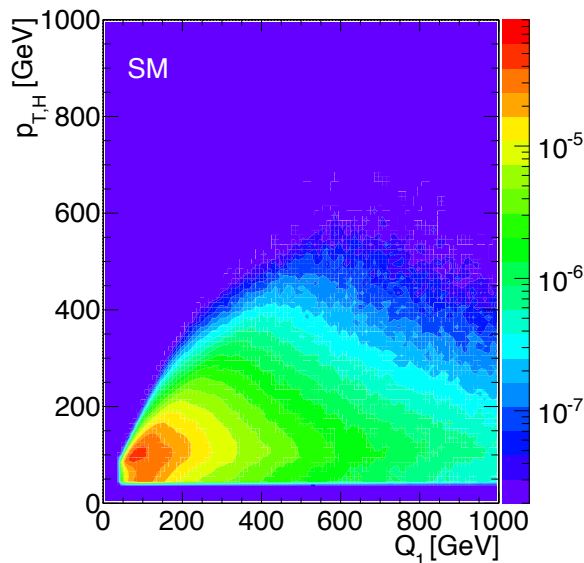
● From kinematics $p_{Tj} > Q_1$ for the Hjj



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Boosted Higgs

- For given $p_{T,j}$ values SM/BSM independent of the virtuality.
- While the virtuality is fixed by the steep gluonic parton densities the top mass logarithm feeds on the $p_{z,j}$ jet momentum in the beam direction
- $p_{Tj} > Q_1$ bound is washed out for P_{TH} . Boost from the second jet

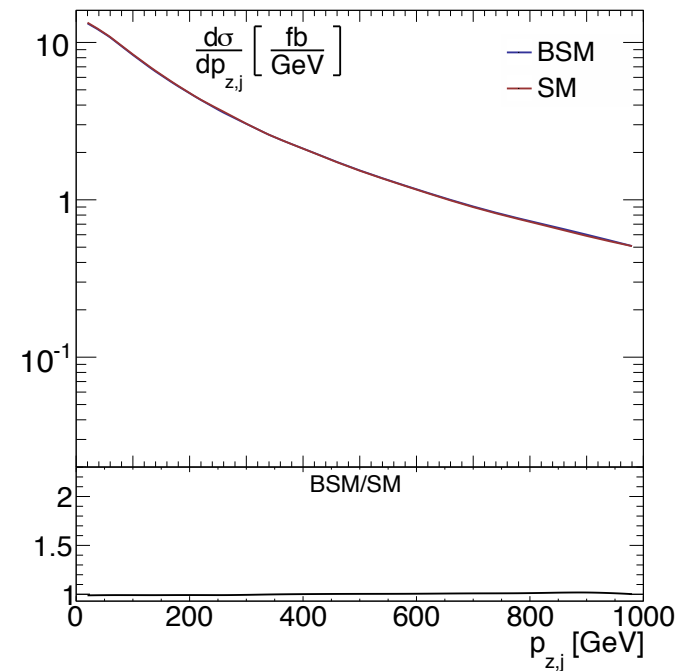
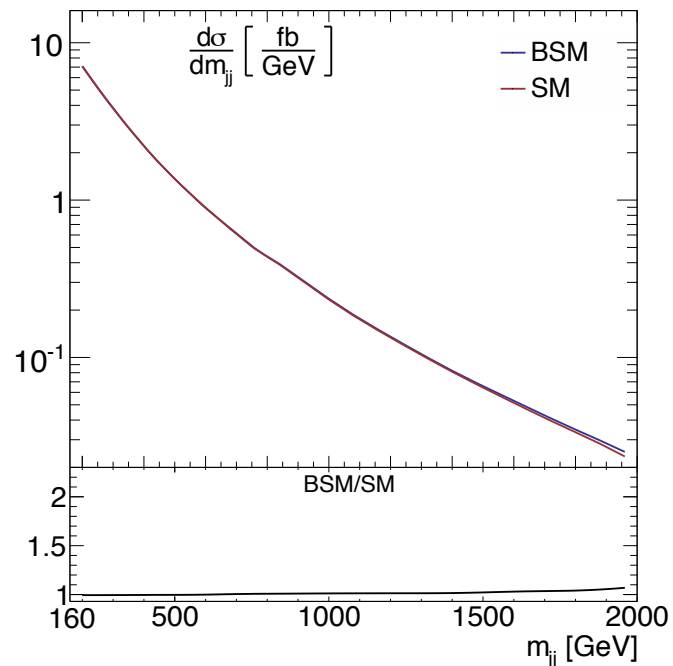


→ Log in the second jet too. Higgs simultaneously captures 1 and 2-jets info

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Hunting the mass effects

- WBF requires large m_{jj} to suppress the GF. If we get also a factor 4-5 wrong there too all the HEFT predictions are wrong!



→ m_{jj} (ultimately $p_{z,j(H)}$) is a very robust observable for HEFT \leftrightarrow Full theory

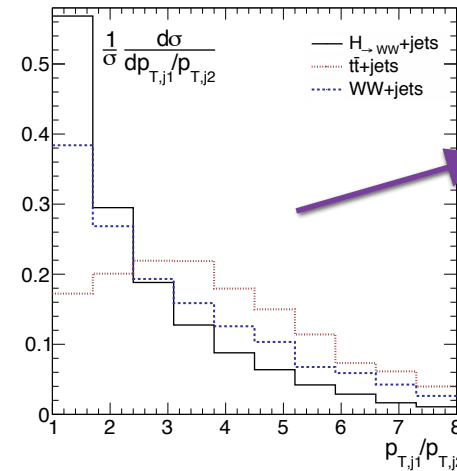
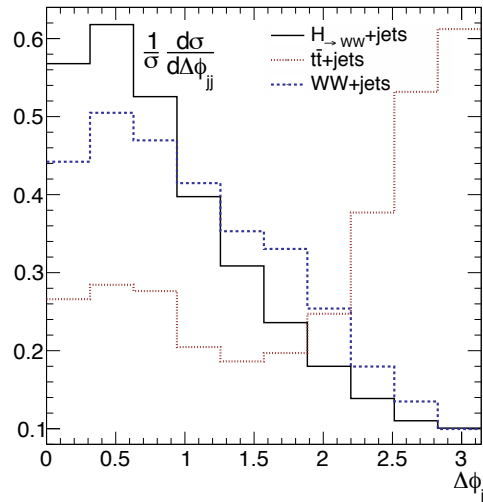
It does not have the same enhancements as p_{TH} . Ufs!

- p_{TH} is the most sensitive distribution... but can we see this BSM @LHC?

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Signal-Background analysis

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→ m_{jj} cut doesn't enhance signal and not needed

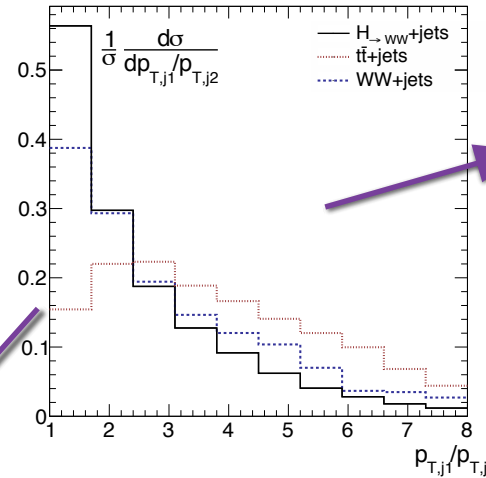
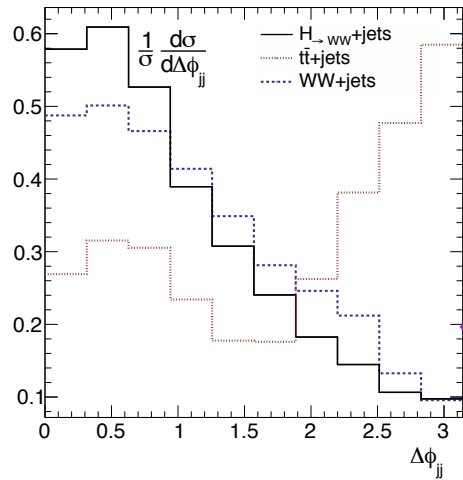
→ Similar strategy for the $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

→ The second jet described by ME reduces backgrounds by $\sim 1/5$ when compared to the Hj

cuts	$Hj \rightarrow (WW)j$ inclusive			$Hjj \rightarrow (WW)jj$ inclusive		
	H +jets	WW +jets	$t\bar{t}$ +jets	H +jets	WW +jets	$t\bar{t}$ +jets
$p_{T,j} > 40$ GeV, $ y_j < 4.5$	35.5	524	14770	17.3	90.7	7633
$p_{T,e} > 20$ GeV, $ y_e < 2.5$						
$N_b = 0$	33.3	515	4920	15.2	87.4	1690
$m_{\ell\ell} \in [10, 60]$ GeV	28.3	106	1060	13.0	17.2	351
$\cancel{E}_T > 45$ GeV	21.4	92.9	930	10.6	15.9	309
$\Delta\phi_{\ell\ell} < 0.8$	14.3	49.8	479	8.14	10.3	162
$m_T < 125$ GeV	14.2	26.6	220	8.09	6.14	76.2
$p_{T,H} > 300$ GeV	0.59	2.73	5.18	1.06	1.39	3.28
$\Delta\phi_{jj} < 1.8$				0.87	1.05	1.33
$p_{T,j1}/p_{T,j2} < 2.5$				0.57	0.53	0.53

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Very similar distributions for both channels mostly (ISR)

Collinear approximation for taus

$$m_{\tau\tau} = \frac{m_{\text{vis}}}{\sqrt{x_1 x_2}} \quad \text{with} \quad x_{1,2} = \frac{p_{\text{vis}1,2}}{p_{\text{vis}1,2} + p_{\text{miss}1,2}}$$

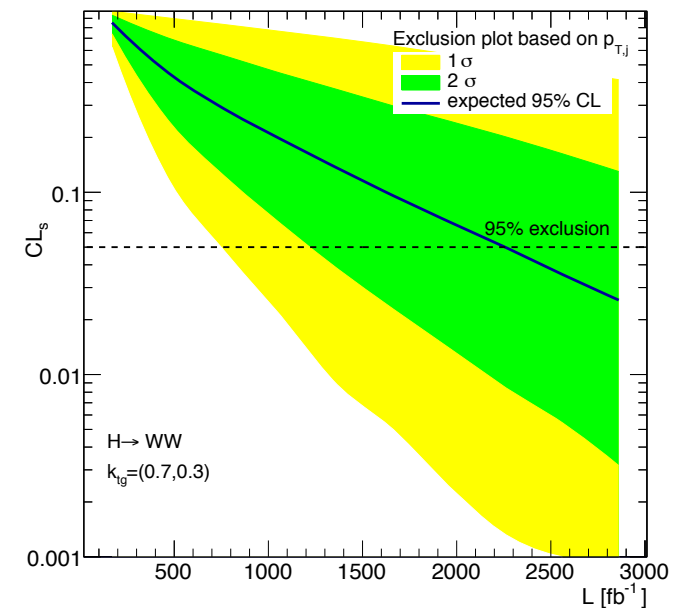
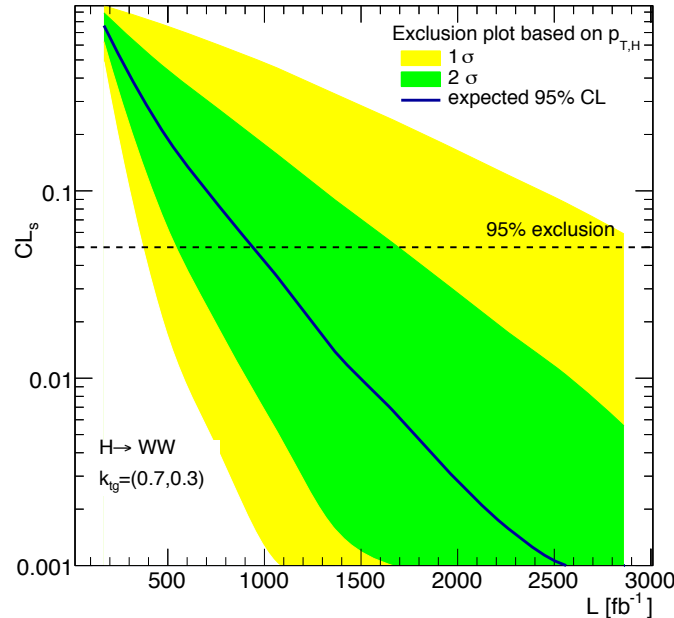
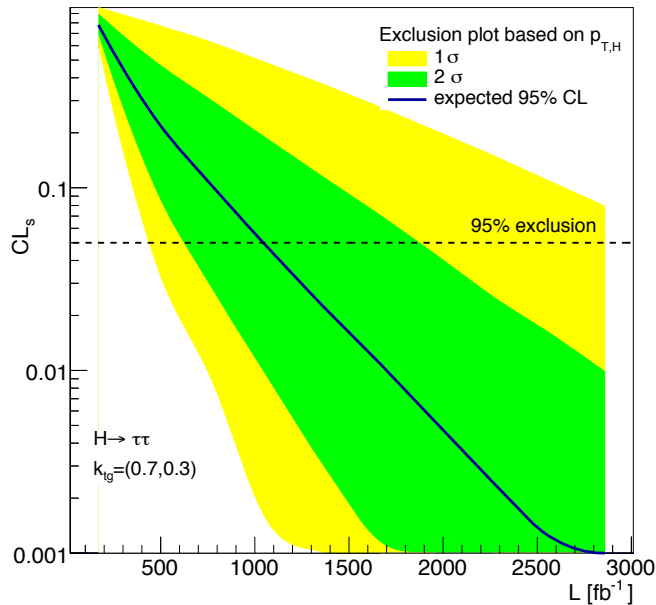
$$|m_{\tau\tau} - m_H| < 20 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{with} \quad x_{1,2} \in [0.1, 1]$$

$$p_{T,H} \sim p_{T,l_1} + p_{T,l_2} + \cancel{p}_T > 300 \text{ GeV}$$

cuts	$Hj \rightarrow (\tau\tau)j$ inclusive				$Hjj \rightarrow (\tau\tau)jj$ inclusive			
	$H+jets$	Z/γ^*+jets	$WW+jets$	$t\bar{t}+jets$	$H+jets$	Z/γ^*+jets	$WW+jets$	$t\bar{t}+jets$
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$m_{\ell\ell} \in [10, 60] \text{ GeV}$	6.59	10466	179	1616	3.41	1832	28.3	541
$m_{\ell\ell'} \in [10, 100] \text{ GeV}$								
$\cancel{E}_T > 45 \text{ GeV}$	6.24	38.1	166	1616	3.31	0.65	27.0	541
$ m_{\tau\tau} - m_H < 20 \text{ GeV}$	5.88	2.84	6.28	45.9	3.10	0.11	1.18	16.0
$p_{T,H} > 300 \text{ GeV}$	0.23	0.013	0.40	0.87	0.41	0.004	0.20	0.56
$\Delta\phi_{jj} < 1.8$					0.33	0	0.15	0.22
$p_{T,j1}/p_{T,j2} < 2.5$					0.22	0	0.076	0.086

→ S/B better than in the WW case. But lower cross-section.

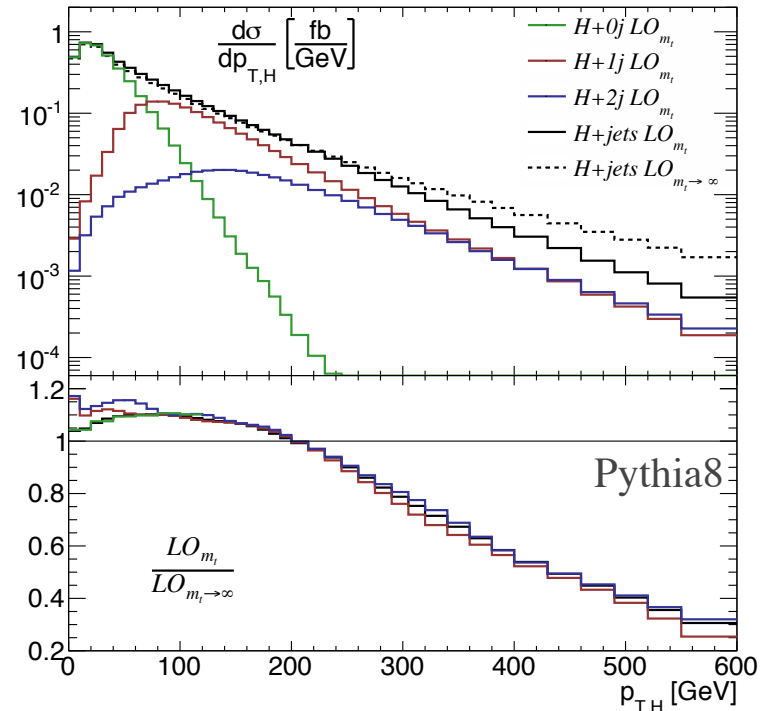
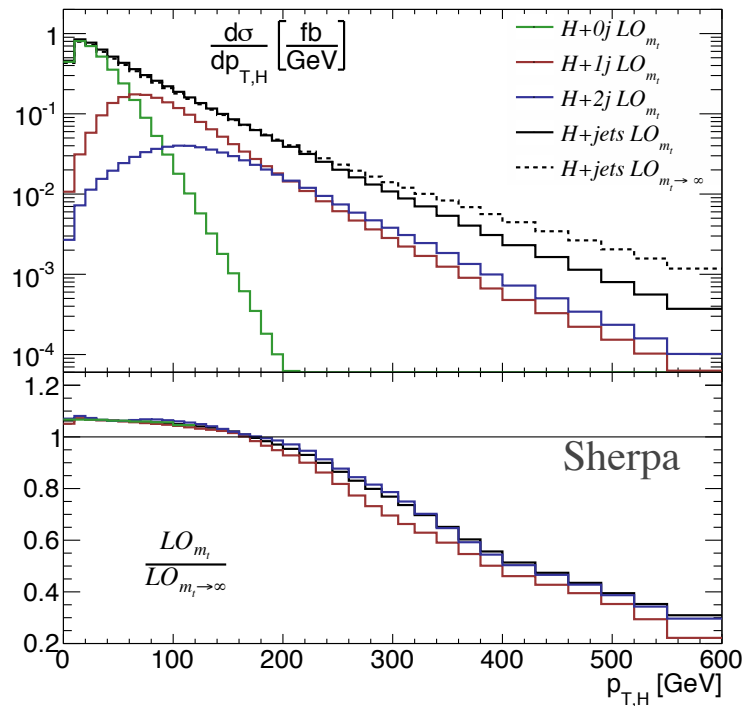
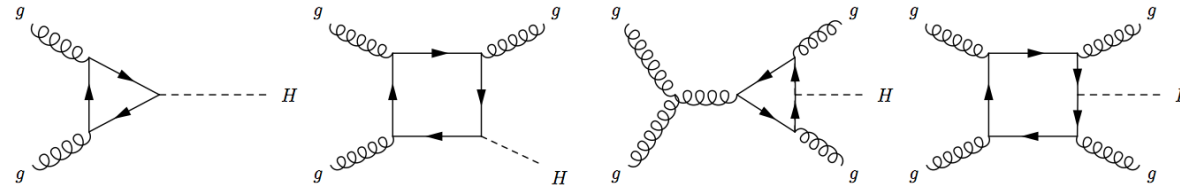
Log-likelihood analysis



- ➡ $H \rightarrow WW$ is the most promising channel
- ➡ The Higgs transverse momentum is indeed more sensitive than the jet
- ➡ Both signatures $H \rightarrow WW$ & $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ appear feasible
- ➡ Better sensitivity should appear for Hj and Hjj together → Let's “merge” them

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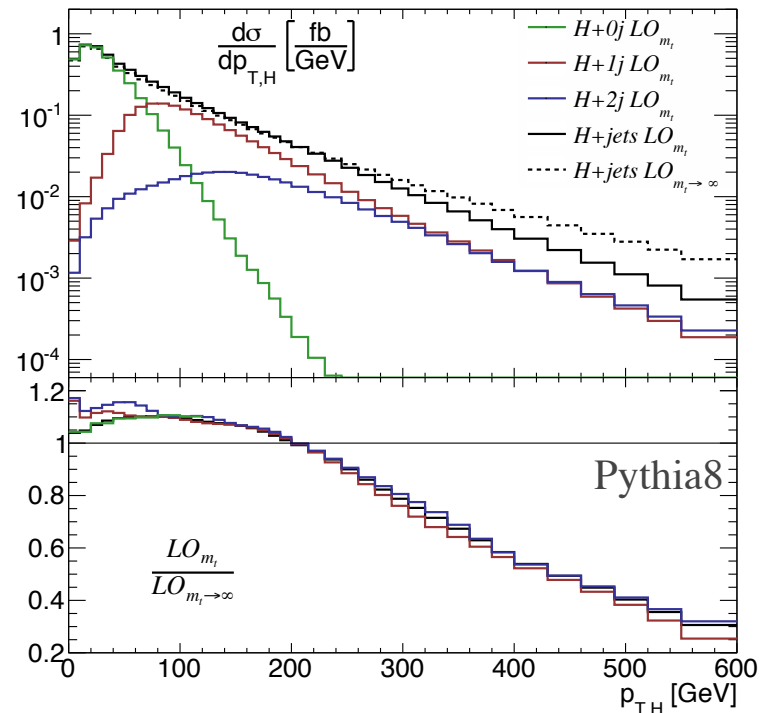
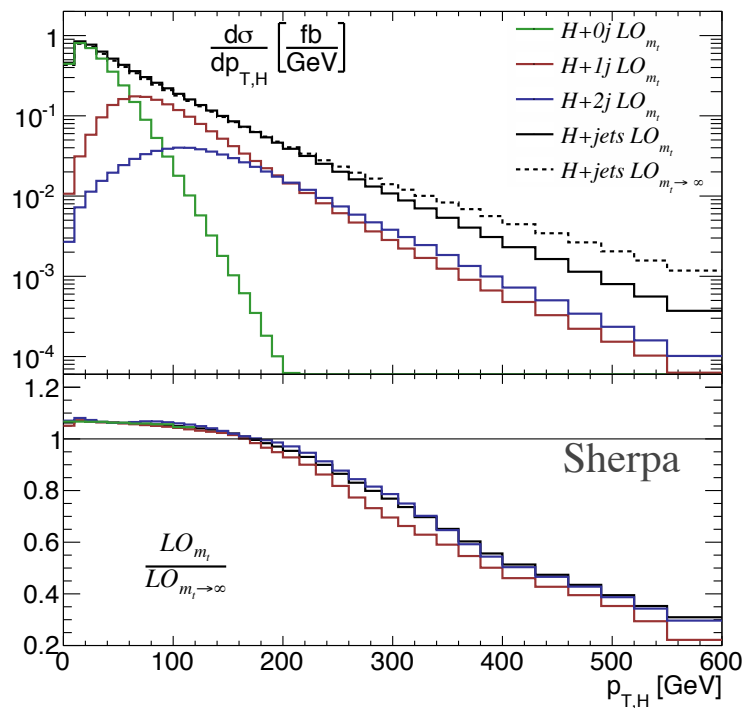
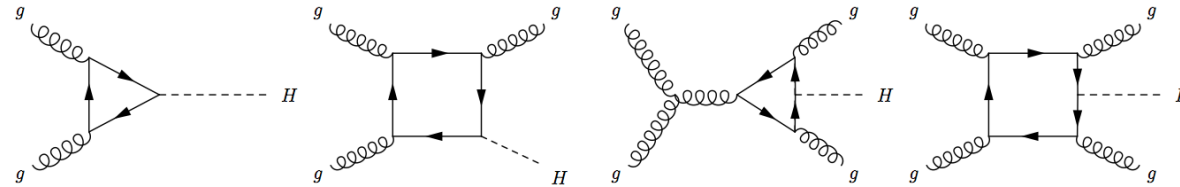
Top mass effects: H+jets CKKW merging



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- ➡ H_j and H_{jj} signal have about the same size for boosted Higgs
- ➡ HEFT and Full scale on the same way for $p_{T,H} < m_t$
- ➡ $p_{T,H} < m_t \rightarrow$ constant scaling factor 1.065 for the Higgs–gluon coupling

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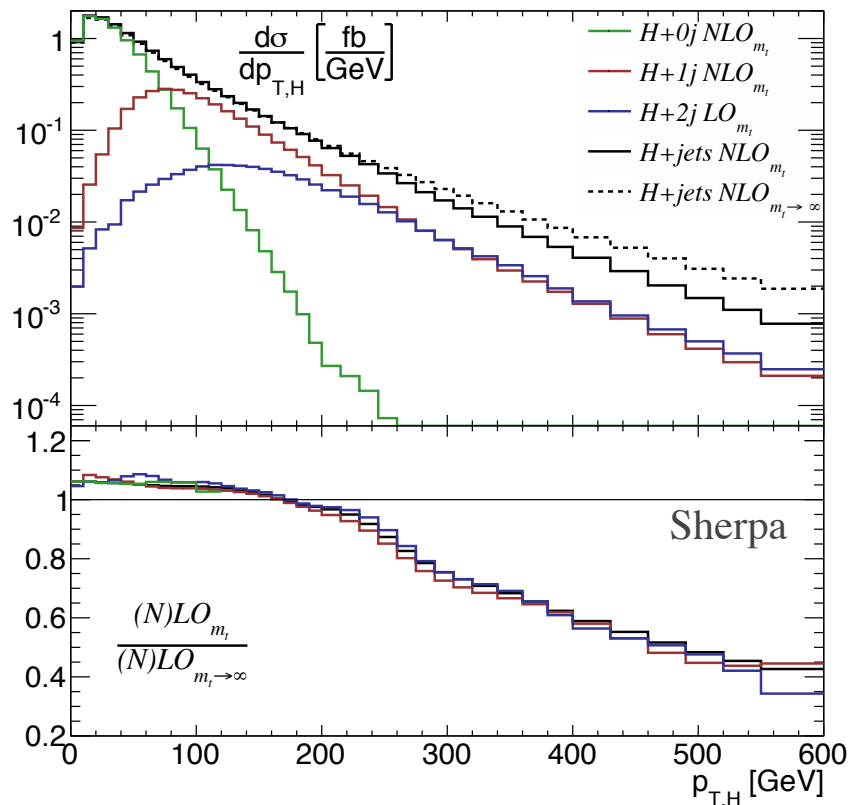
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- ➡ Top mass effects fundamental for boosted H: correction of $O(4)$ at $p_{T,H} \sim 600$ GeV
- ➡ Each jet multiplicity has approximately same top mass correction
- ➡ Consequently the same happens for the merged result

Top mass effects: H+jets MEPS@NLO merging

● Reweighting HEFT amplitudes with Openlops ME: $r_t^{(n)} = \frac{|\mathcal{M}^{(n)}(m_t)|^2}{|\mathcal{M}^{(n)}(m_t \rightarrow \infty)|^2}$

$$d\sigma^{\text{S-MC@NLO}} = d\Phi_n r_t^{(n)} \left[\mathcal{B} + \mathcal{V} + \int d\Phi_1 \mathcal{D} \right] \left(\Delta(t_0) + \int d\Phi_1 \frac{\mathcal{D}}{\mathcal{B}} \Delta(t) \right) + d\Phi_{n+1} \left[r_t^{(n+1)} \mathcal{R} - r_t^{(n)} \mathcal{D} \right]$$



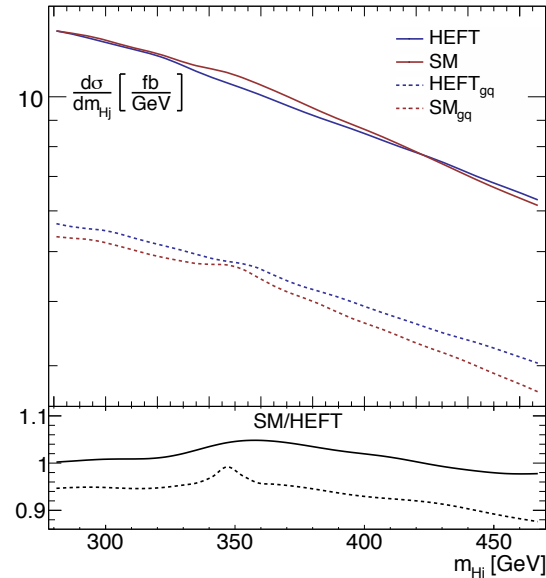
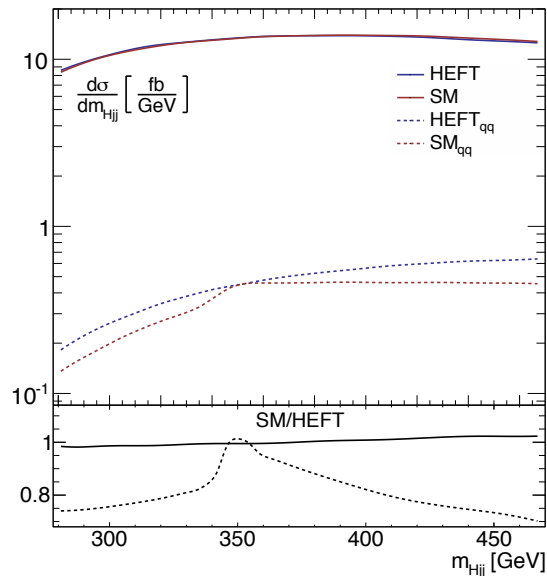
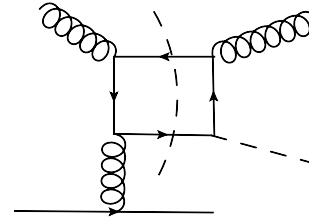
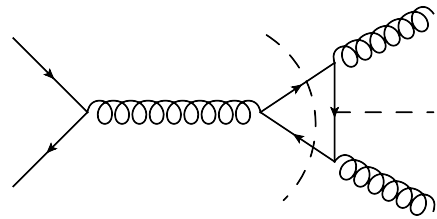
➔ MEPS@NLO need to take into account the heavy quark mass effects at the boosted regime

➔ Similarly to LO merging the top mass effects factorise at NLO merging for each jet bin

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Absorptive terms

We can see these loop effects via reconstructed masses

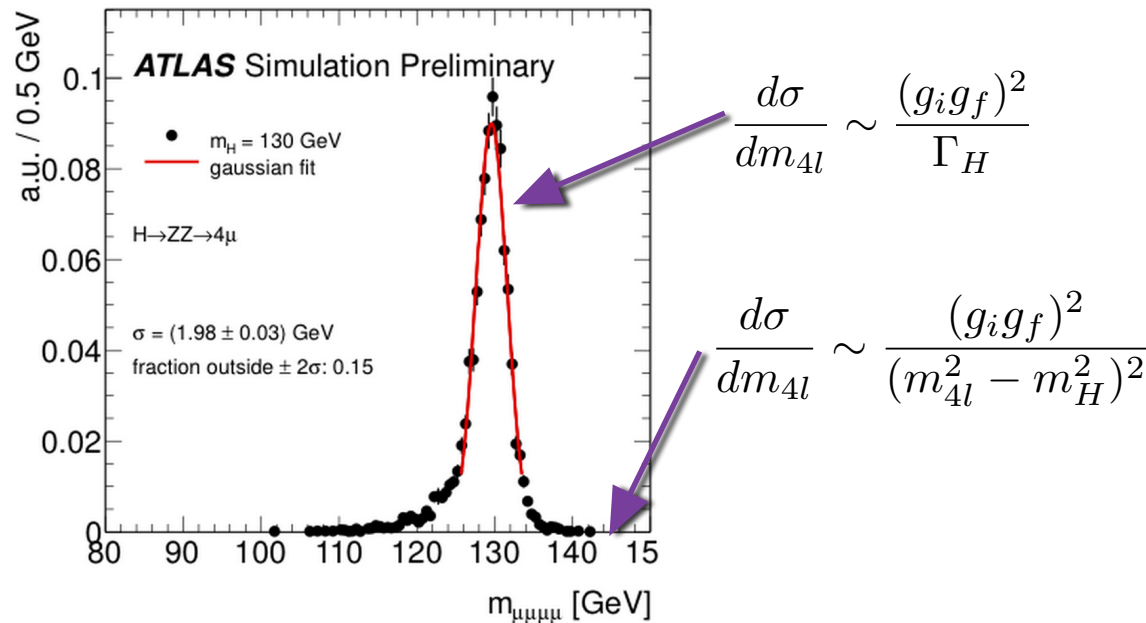


Very small absorptive terms. This will hardly allow us to make a qualitative statement about the origin of the effective Higgs–gluon coupling, not even talking about a measurement of K_t and K_g .

Buschman, Englert, DG, Plehn, Spannowsky (2014)

Off-Shell Higgs Production

- How to probe the off-shell Higgs effects given that it is a very narrow resonance?



- Almost all signal only events are in the on-shell region

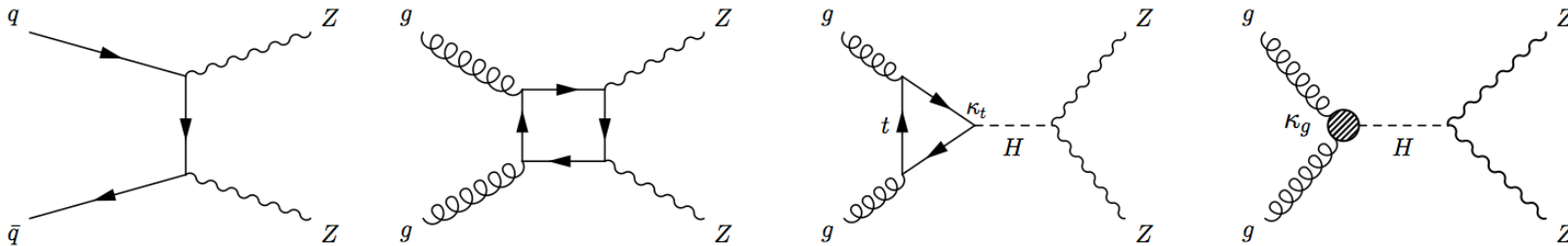
→ Solution: interfere with a background that has a very large rate for $m_{4l} \gg m_H$

→ That is the case for $gg \rightarrow H^* \rightarrow ZZ$ with $gg \rightarrow ZZ$

Off-Shell Higgs Production

Carries information on the Higgs couplings at different energy scales

CMS collaboration, PRL B 736, 64 (2014)



Probe energy dependence from the higher dimensional operators

$$\mathcal{M}_t^{++00} = -2 \frac{m_{4\ell}^2 - 2m_Z^2}{m_Z^2} \frac{m_t^2}{m_{4\ell}^2 - m_H^2 + i\Gamma_H m_H} \left[1 + \left(1 - \frac{4m_t^2}{m_{4\ell}^2} \right) f \left(\frac{4m_t^2}{m_{4\ell}^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\mathcal{M}_g^{++00} \approx -\frac{m_{4\ell}^2}{2m_Z^2} \quad \text{with } m_t \gg m_{4\ell} \gg m_H, m_Z$$

$$\mathcal{M}_t^{++00} \approx +\frac{m_t^2}{2m_Z^2} \log^2 \frac{m_{4\ell}^2}{m_t^2} \quad \text{with } m_{4\ell} \gg m_t \gtrsim m_H, m_Z$$

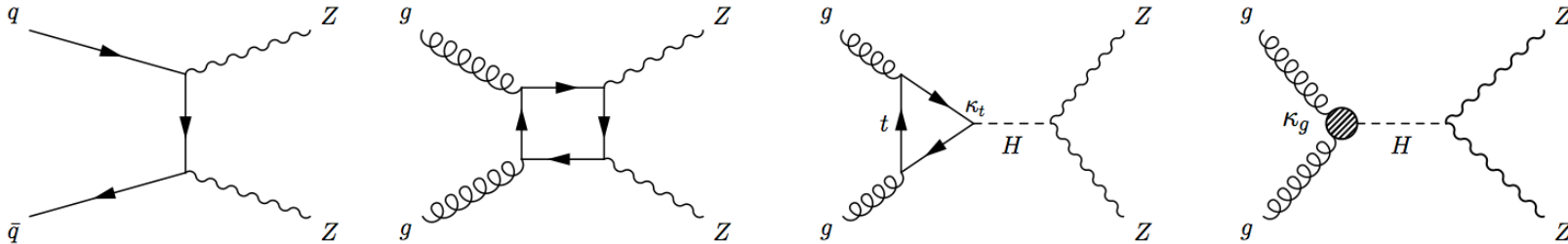
$$\mathcal{M}_c^{++00} \approx -\frac{m_t^2}{2m_Z^2} \log^2 \frac{m_{4\ell}^2}{m_t^2} \quad \text{with } m_{4\ell} \gg m_t \gtrsim m_Z .$$

Full top mass: destructive interference

Low-energy limit: constructive interference

Off-Shell Higgs Production

- Carries information on the Higgs couplings at different energy scales



- $qq \rightarrow ZZ$ generated already at tree level. We generate it @NLO

- $gg \rightarrow ZZ$ only know @LO.

- Signal and signal-background interference have very similar NLO & NNLO enhancement

Bonvini, Caola, Forte, Melnikov, Ridolfi (2013)

➡ Include QCD effects by equal K-factor for signal, signal-background interference & background

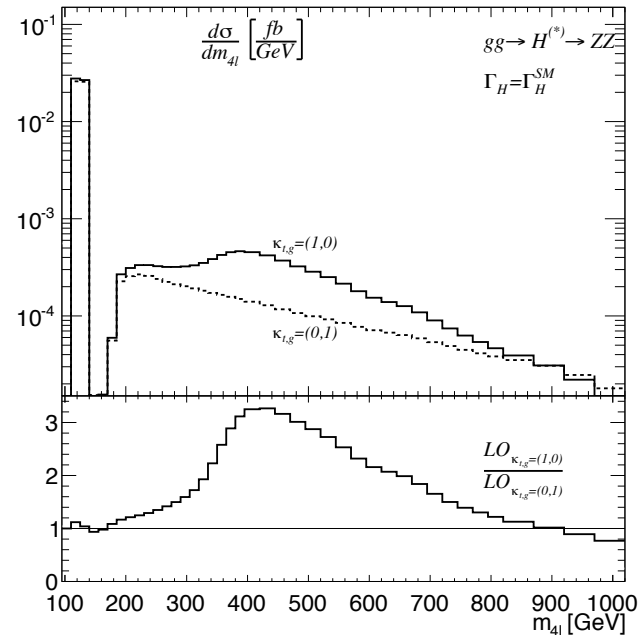
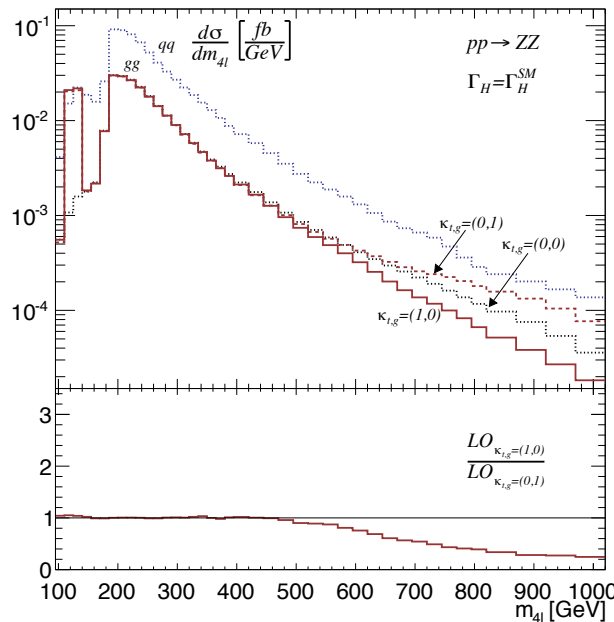
➡ We include these effects through a differential NLO reweighting obtained from HEFT signal

Off-Shell Higgs Production

- Large off-shell tail $m_{4l} > 300 \text{ GeV}$: $\mathcal{O}(15\%)$ of the total rate

$$\mathcal{M}_{ZZ} = \kappa_t \mathcal{M}_t + \kappa_g \mathcal{M}_g + \mathcal{M}_c$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{4l}} = \frac{d\sigma_c}{dm_{4l}} + \kappa_t \frac{d\sigma_{tc}}{dm_{4l}} + \kappa_g \frac{d\sigma_{gc}}{dm_{4l}} + \kappa_t^2 \frac{d\sigma_{tt}}{dm_{4l}} + \kappa_t \kappa_g \frac{d\sigma_{tg}}{dm_{4l}} + \kappa_g^2 \frac{d\sigma_{gg}}{dm_{4l}}$$

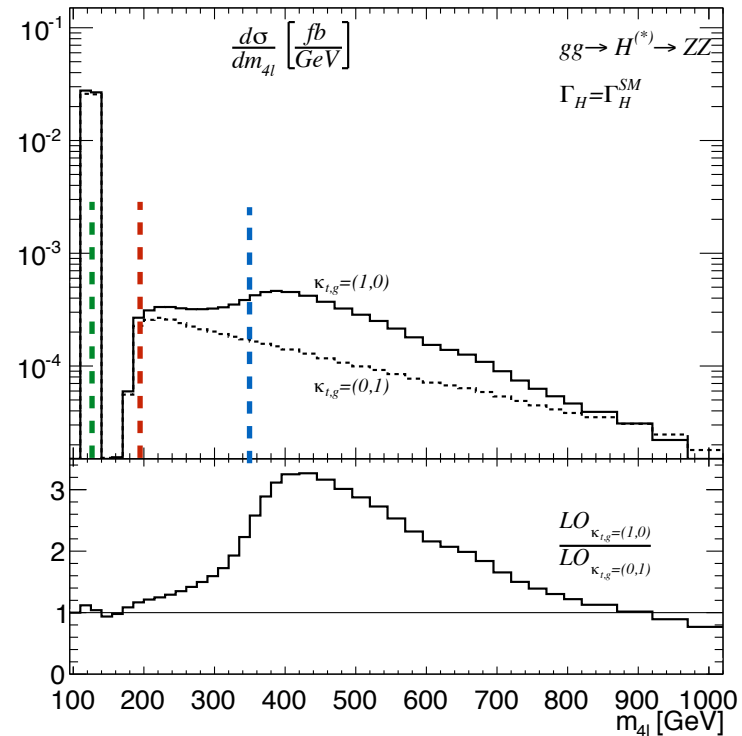
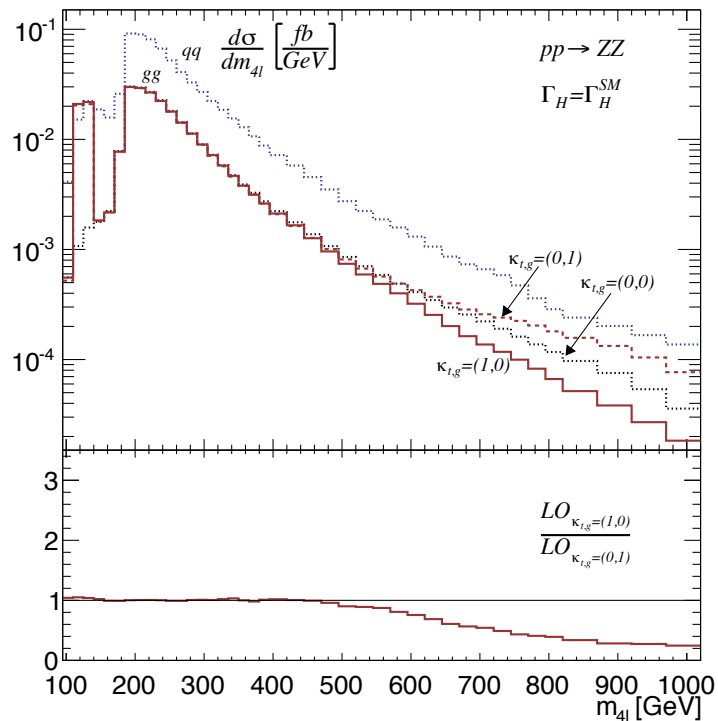
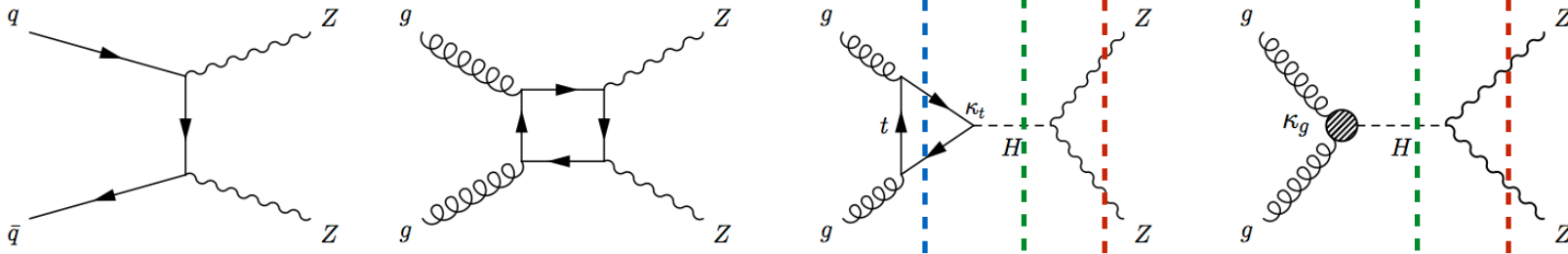


- $qq \rightarrow ZZ$ generated already at tree level
- $qq \rightarrow ZZ$ one order of magnitude larger than $gg \rightarrow ZZ$
- Enhancement on the tail for low-energy limit and suppression of the full top mass result

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Off-Shell Higgs Production

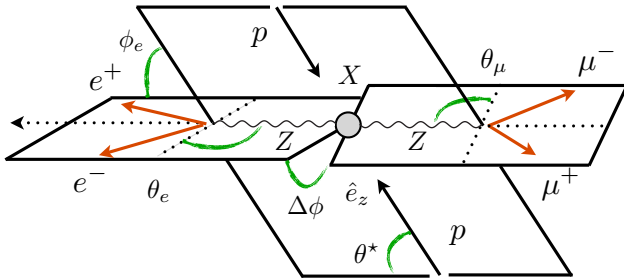
Large off-shell tail $m_{4l} > 300 \text{ GeV}$: $\mathcal{O}(15\%)$ of the total rate



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Nelson angles

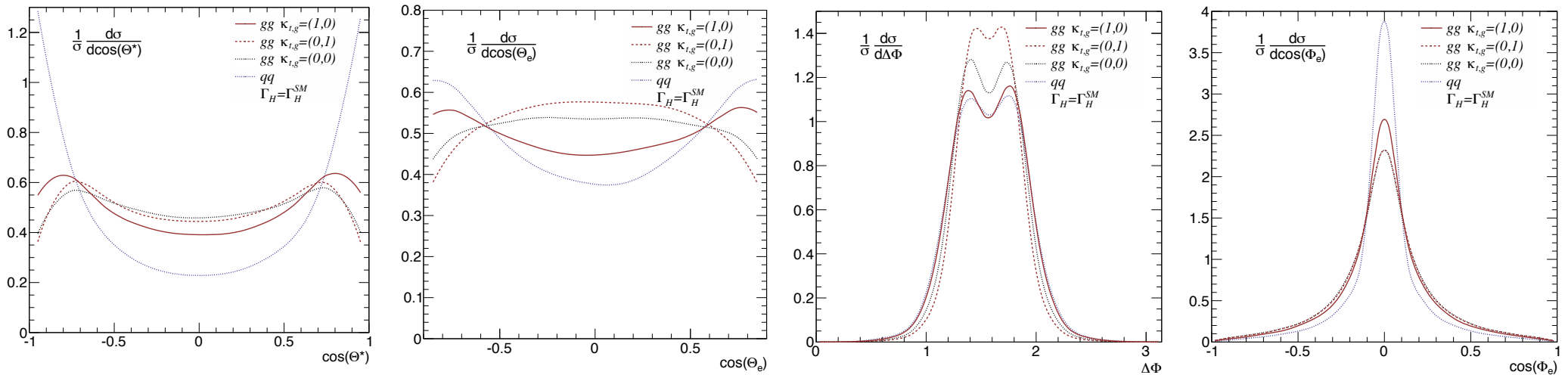
Signal only: info on HZZ operator



Cabibbo and Maksymowicz (1965) Gao, Gritsan, Guo, Melnikov, Schulze, Tran (2010)
 Dell'Aquila and Nelson (1986) Englert, DG, Mawatari, Plehn (2012)
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Signal-background interference gets spin correlation:

info on the Higgs production and decay operators

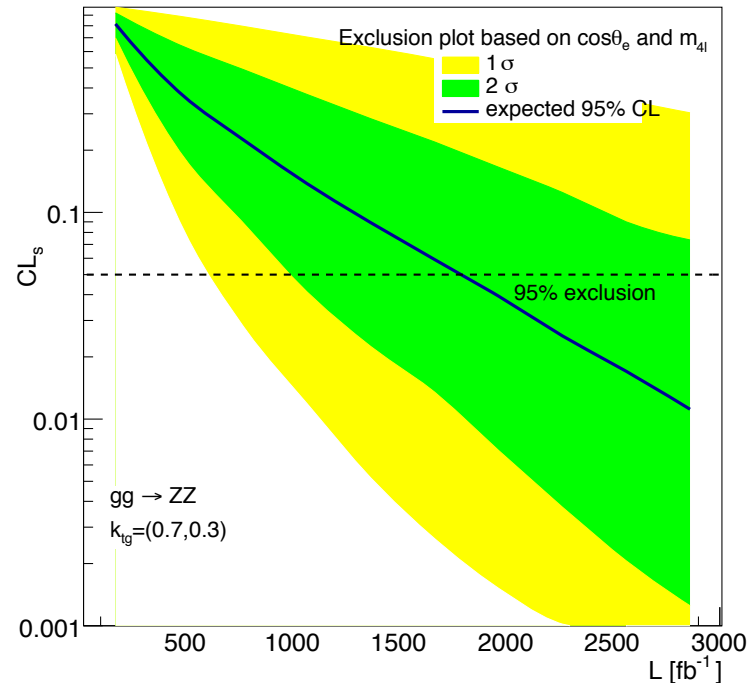


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Log-likelihood analysis

Following the CMS cut flow analysis for the off-shell $H \rightarrow ZZ$ measurement

- 1) suppress the $qq \rightarrow ZZ$ background by requiring that $|\cos\Theta^*| < 0.7$
- 2) 2-D CLs analysis - $(\cos\theta_e, m_{4l})$.



➔ Exclusion of our BSM hypothesis need a few inverse attobarns

➔ Boosted Higgs more promising

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Higgs width measurement

● SM prediction $\Gamma_H \sim 4\text{MeV}$

➔ Best limit from direct measurement $H \rightarrow ZZ$ $\Gamma_H < 3.4 \text{ GeV}$

● New idea: combine on-shell & off-shell rates to break the ξ -degeneracy

$$\sigma_{i \rightarrow H \rightarrow f}^{\text{On-Shell}} \propto \frac{g_i^2(m_H)g_f^2(m_H)}{\Gamma_H}, \quad g_{i,f}(m_H) = \xi g_{i,f}^{SM}(m_H), \quad \Gamma_H = \xi^4 \Gamma_H$$

➔ Sub-leading dependence on Γ_H in the off-shell regime

$$\sigma_{i \rightarrow H^* \rightarrow f}^{\text{Off-Shell}} \propto g_i^2(\sqrt{\hat{s}})g_f^2(\sqrt{\hat{s}})$$

Caola, Melnikov (2013)

Kauer, Passarino (2012)

Campbell, Ellis, Williams (2014)

● While interesting idea, clearly not a model independent width measurement

Englert, Spannowsky (2014)

Higgs width measurement

- Model dependency ultimately reflect the non-trivial ggH momentum running

Our framework is a prime example of it:

$$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ}^{\text{On-Shell}} \propto (\kappa_t + \kappa_g)^2 \frac{g_{ggH}^2(m_H) g_{HZZ}^2(m_H)}{\Gamma_H}$$

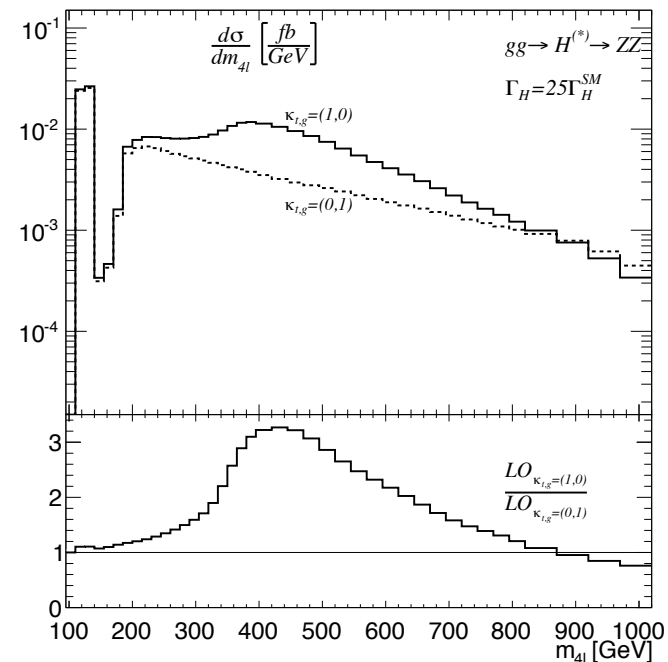
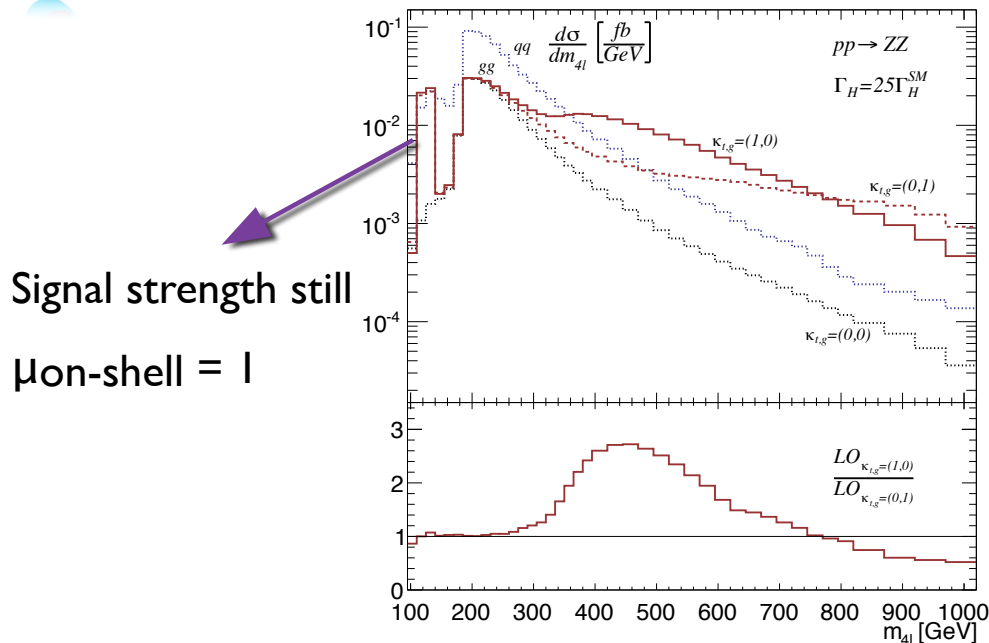
→ κ_t & κ_g factorize

$$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H^* \rightarrow ZZ}^{\text{Off-Shell}} \propto (k_t g_{ggH}(m_{4\ell}) + k_g g_{ggH}(m_H))^2 g_{HZZ}^2(m_{4\ell})$$

→ non-trivial κ_t & κ_g dependence

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Example: $\xi^4 = 25 \rightarrow \Gamma_H = 25\Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}$



Summary

- Top mass effects in $p_{T,H}$ are large and can be described in combination with NLO-merging
 - Top mass effects factorize for each jet bin
 - Reweighting function $W(p_{T,H})$ top mass effects
 - Complementary way to extract information on the Yukawa coupling
- Off-shell Higgs effects can be described in the same framework
- Exact top mass dependence is a crucial assumption in the Higgs width measurement