

SEARCHES FOR VH AND HH RESONANCES

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Overview

Massive Higgs + Boson Resonances

- Neither exhaustive nor complete summary of ATLAS results

Vector Boson + Higgs Resonances

- Semi-leptonic searches
- Fully hadronic search
- Vector Triplet and 2HDM interpretations

Di-Higgs Searches

- Resonant and non-resonant searches
- bbbb, bbyy and bbWW final states



Vector Boson + Higgs Resonances

Search for resonances decaying into Zh or Wh

2 Higgs Doublet Models

- Extension of SM with additional Higgs doublet ⇒ 5 Higgses: H, h, H⁺, H⁻, A
- Appear in extensions of the SM such as SUSY, axion models, baryogenesis

Heavy Vector Triplets

- Several SM extensions predict the existence of heavy vector bosons
- HVT: simplified model with additional SU(2) vector triplet ⇒
 W'+, W'-, Z'



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Semi-Leptonic VH

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VH Hadronic

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X→VH→qqbb Signature:

- Vector boson and Higgs decays reconstructed as large-R jets.
- Jet substructure and b-tagging applied to reduce backgrounds.
- Higher mass jet assigned as Higgs candidate.





VH Hadronic

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3500

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m_{z'} [GeV]

1σ

2σ

3σ



Largest excess @ 3 TeV with global significance 2.2o

Di-Higgs Resonances

SM hh Production:

- Extremely small SM expectation due to destructive interference among diagrams
- Important for measuring the Higgs self-coupling

BSM hh Production:

Non-resonant signals:

- Activating tthh vertex, modifying tth vertex
- Modified λ_{hhh}

Resonant signals:

- KK Graviton: spin-2
 - predicted in the bulk Randall-Sundrum model
- Heavy Higgs: 2HDM, spin-0
 - i.e: The heavy neutral scalar H of 2HDMs



$HH \rightarrow 4b$

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- Large $h \rightarrow bb$ branching fraction
- High statistics control regions, but suffers from large multi-jet background

Resolved:

- Four b-tagged R=0.4 anti-kt jets
- Di-jet pairs assigned by minimizing mass difference (D_{hh})







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Merged/Boosted:

- Two R=1.0 anti-kt jets, pT>250 GeV
- At least 1 tagged R=0.2 track-jets associated to each jet
 - Creates 2-,3-,4-tag categories of varying purity





HH→γγWW

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• Final state $\gamma\gamma l \gamma q$: two photons, 2+ jets and no b-jets (105 < $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ < 160 GeV)

Signal Region:

- One lepton region requiring at least one lepton
- \bullet The di-photon mass $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ to be within a 2σ window of the Higgs boson mass

Control/Sideband Regions:

- CR: Zero lepton region requiring no lepton
- SB: Reversing the tight mass window in either the one-lepton region or the zero-lepton region



HH→γγbb

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Event Selection:

- Require $105 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 160 \text{ GeV}$
- Require 95 < m_{bb} < 135 GeV
- 2 b-tag category signal region
- 0 b-tag category control region

Non-Resonant Analysis:

- Simultaneous S+B fit to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ in both SR and CR
- $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ background fitted with exponential in CR
- Single Higgs background and di-Higgs signal from MC

Resonant Analysis:

- Counting approach with 2σ window cut on $m_{\gamma\gamma}$
- Count in 95% efficiency m_{γγbb} window
- CR used to determine background efficiency



Conclusions

Massive Higgs + Boson Resonances @ ATLAS

- This presentation was neither exhaustive nor complete

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<u>Run2:</u> VH semi-leptonic (ATLAS-CONF-2017-???) VH all-hadronic (ATLAS-CONF-2017-018)

Di-Higgs Searches

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<u>Run2:</u>

hh \rightarrow bbbb (ATLAS-CONF-2016-049), hh \rightarrow yyWW* (ATLAS-CONF-2016-071),

hh→bbγγ (ATLAS-CONF-2016-004)

<u>Run1:</u>

hh→bbbb, hh→bbγγ, hh→bbττ, hh→γγWW* combined (arXiv:1509.04670v2)

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VH Hadronic Yields

	ZH 2-tag	ZH 1-tag
Multijet Other Backgrounds	$ \begin{array}{r} 1440 \pm 60 \\ 135 \pm 45 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 13770 \pm 310 \\ 1350 \pm 270 \end{array} $
Total Backgrounds Data	$ 1575 \pm 40 \\ 1574 $	$15120 \pm 130 \\ 15112$
Model B, M=2 TeV	25 ± 7	29 ± 10
	WH 2-tag	WH 1-tag
Multijet Other Backgrounds	$ \begin{array}{r} 1525 \pm 65 \\ 110 \pm 45 \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 13900 \pm 290 \\ 1310 \pm 260 \end{array} $
Total Backgrounds Data	$ \begin{array}{r} 1635 \pm 40 \\ 1646 \end{array} $	$15220 \pm 120 \\ 15212$
Model B, $M=2$ TeV	51 ± 10	62 ± 16