### **Evidence for Higgs using** $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow |v|v$ decay mode in the ATLAS detector at LHC

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### Outline

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### **Higgs Production**

- Higgs is predicted by Standard Model of particle physics, who gives mass to all other massive particles.
- Production mechanisms:



### H→WW decay

- Higgs has several main decay channels:
- ♦  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow |v|v$  channel covers a wide  $m_H$  range.
- HWW Decay Product:
  - Two high energy leptons
  - Missing energy(denoted as  $E_T^{miss}$ ) due to invisible nutrinos



### **Background Processes**

- \*  $t\bar{t}$  and Wt:  $t/\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+/W^-+b/\bar{b}$
- Non resonant WW production
- W+jets: one jet might be recognized as a lepton
- ⋆ Z/γ<sup>\*</sup>+jets: Z/γ<sup>\*</sup>→l<sup>+</sup>l<sup>-</sup>, fake  $E_T^{miss}$  from fail reconstructed jets
- WZ, W  $\gamma$  and W $\gamma^*$ : one lepton of three is not well constructed.
- ♦ ZZ: Z $\rightarrow l^+ l^-$

### **Event Selection I**

- Cuts are designed to filter those backgrounds, while keeping the signal.
- Two high energy opposite sign leptons. Suppress W+jets.
- Low  $m_{ll}$  cut, suppress low mass  $\gamma^*$ +jets
- \* Z veto: requiring  $m_{ll}$  far away from  $m_Z$ , suppress Z+jets
- Low  $E_{T,rel}^{miss}$  and  $P_{T,rel}^{miss}$  cut, suppress Z/ $\gamma^*$ +jets



### **Event Selection II**

- The analysis is further divided into 3 sub-channels according to the jet multiplicity. (since the backgrounds composition are different in each jet channel)
- Outs special to each sub-channel:
- Cuts common to each sub-channel:
  - Upper cut for  $m_{ll}$
  - Small  $\Delta \varphi_{ll}$ (spin correlation)

| Signal | ggF 125 GeV | VBF 125 GeV |
|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 0 jet  | 60.8%       | 8.5%        |
| 1 jet  | 26.8%       | 37.7%       |
| 2 jets | 13.1%       | 54.4%       |



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### **Background determination**

- General idea: use data whenever possible
- W+jets: fully data-driven
- WW, top, Z+jets use Control regions to fix the MC with the NF
- WZ/ZZ/W $\gamma^*$ , small contribution, MC based



### The Evidence: $m_T$ distribution

\*  $m_T$  distribution of the final selected sample of all jet multiplicity channels.(input for the fit)



### The Evidence: Statistical Conclusion I ——Production Rate

- ♦ After combining 2011 and 2012 data, an excess of events over the expected background is observed for  $m_H \leq 150$  GeV with the largest significance of 4.1 standard deviations( $p_0 = 2 \times 10^{-5}$ ) at  $m_H = 140$  GeV. The signal significance at  $m_H = 125$  GeV is 3.8 standard deviations( $p_0 = 8 \times 10^{-5}$ ).
- the best fit signal strength at  $m_H$  = 125 GeV is  $\mu$ = 1.01  $\pm$  0.31.



### The Evidence: Statistical Conclusion II ——Spin Properties

- ✤ Two hypothesis have been compared, using only 2012 data: the standard model Higgs with  $J^P = 0^+$ , and graviton like tensor with minimal couplings with  $J^P = 2^+$
- The tested 2<sup>+</sup> hypothesis is excluded in favour of a 0<sup>+</sup> hypothesis at a confidence level which varies between 99% for  $f_{qq}$  = 100% and 95% for



#### Main contribution: top Ojet estimation

In the top background estimation in Ojet channel, the so-called JVSP method is used.

$$N_{\text{Top_0jet}}^{estimated} = N_{top_all}^{\text{Data}} \times f_{0j}^{MC} \times \left(\frac{f_{0\ prob.\ jet}^{Dtag,Duta}}{f_{0\ prob.\ jet}^{Btag,MC}}\right)$$

- $N_{Top_0jet}^{estimated}$  is the top event with 0 jet and  $N_{top_all}^{Data}$  is the top events with all jets
- $f_{0i}^{MC}$  is the JVSP----Jet Veto Survival Probability, calculated in simulation.(figure 10 left)

 $f^{Btag,Data}$ 

- $\left(\frac{f_{0\ prob.\ jet}}{f_{0\ prob.\ jet}^{Btag,MC}}\right)$  is a correction applied to  $f_{0j}^{MC}$ , derived from a b-tagged top control region.
- $f_{0 prob. jet}^{Btag,Data} \text{ or } f_{0 prob. jet}^{Btag,MC}$  is the fraction of event with no probing jet in data/MC(figure 10 right)
- Probing jet is defined as jets in event with a distance from the b-jet  $\Delta R > 1$ .



### Main contribution: top Ojet estimation

 $\diamond$  Main experimental systematics(only those varied large than 1%):

| Experiamental Systematic s | Variation(%) |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| BJetWeight                 | -3.1/+4.4    |
| BJetEnergyScale            | -2.0/+2.4    |
| FlavRespJetEnergyScale     | +1.0/-1.1    |

Theoretical systematics(this is the main systematics in top Oj estimate)

| Theoretical Systematics                          | Variation(%) |
|--|--------------|
| Renormalization and Factorization scale(LO, old) | 7.5          |
| Sintle top-t $\overline{t}$ interference(LO,old) | 4.5          |
| Initial/final state radiation                    | 4.0          |
| MC generator/parton shower+hadronization         | < 2.2        |
|  |              |

Total systematics: 11.4%

# Main contribution: b-tagged sample dependency of top Ojet estimation

 To check the influence of b tagging on the top Ojet estimation, results are compared by using two top control samples: one sample requiring at least one b-jet, the other sample requiring exactly one b-jet.



- \* Results data/MC:  $1.064 \pm 0.052(=1b-jet) \ 1.035 \pm 0.046(\ge 1b-jet)$
- Conclusion: the data/MC ratio is stable wrt. the b-jet control sample.

## Main contribution: on-going improved theoretical uncertainty reevaluation

- Renormalization and Factorization scale uncertainties and single topttbar interference uncertainty are being reevaluated using MCatNLO.
- Here are some performance plots of the reevaluation.



### Main contribution: on-going improved theoretical uncertainty reevaluation

• Systematic Table of the value of  $\frac{f_{0j}^{MC}}{(f_{0\ prob\ iet}^{MC})^2}$  for different choice of the

Renormalization(RF) and Factorization(FF) factors.

|        | FF=0.5                       | FF=1          | FF=2                        |
|--------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| RF=0.5 | 0.5040±0.0021                | 0.5132±0.0022 | 0.5172±0.0023               |
|        | (-0.8±0.4)%                  | (+1.0±0.4)%   | (+1.8±0.4)%                 |
| RF=1   | 0.5050±0.0020<br>(-0.6±0.4)% | 0.5080±0.0020 | 0.5101±0.002<br>(+0.4±0.4)% |
| RF=2   | 0.5027±0.0019                | 0.5080±0.0019 | 0.5048±0.0019               |
|        | (-1.1±0.4)%                  | (<0.1±0.4)%   | (-0.6±0.4)%                 |

- The maximum variation is chosen to be the systematic err: 1.8%
- Single top-t  $\bar{t}$  interference uncertainty(Diagram Subtraction(DS) vs. Removal(DR))

|   | DS            | DR                           |
|---|---------------|------------------------------|
| $\frac{f_{0j}^{MC}}{(f_{0\ prob\ jet}^{MC})^2}$ | 0.5080±0.0020 | 0.5098±0.0019<br>(+0.4±0.4)% |
|   | estimation    |                              |

#### Main contribution: Low pt Analysis

- An estimation of the significance gain is done using the same sets of cuts as nominal analysis for the OF 0/1 jet channel.
- The formula of the significance calculation.
  - Iowpt+nominal significance(no correlation):

$$sig = \frac{S_{lowpt} + S_{nominal}}{\sqrt{B_{lowpt} + B_{nominal} + \delta_{B_{lowpt}}^{2} + \delta_{B_{nominal}}^{2}}}$$

 uncertainty of background is assumed to be the same in lowpt and nominal analysis

#### Main contribution: Low pt Analysis

 Results: Significance gain distributions are show below for OF 0/1 jet channel. Low pt alone significance is also show for comparison



Significance gain: 12.5%(14.0%) for 0(1) jet

## Future plan: New FCPPL and New Program

We have new team this year:

| New FCPPL team(2013) |               |
|----------------------|---------------|
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| Sebasien Binet       | Yingchun Zhu  |
| Yichen Li(joint PhD) |               |

The new program in the future:

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| New Programs   |                              |
|--|------------------------------|
| 1.Low Pt Analysis  | Re-optimize selection cuts   |
|  | Use multivariate technique   |
|  | Improve background rejection |
| 2.Perform Higgs property measurement                     |                              |
| 3.Search for heavy neutral Higgs boson in the WW channel |                              |
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### That's all! Thank you!

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### Back up: sub-threshold b-jet veto

- An attempt of applying sub-threshold b-jet veto cut to further suppress top background in the signal region is made.
- Three cases are considered:
  - MV1 algorithm working at 85%
  - MV1 algorithm working at 75%
  - JetCombNN algorithm working at 80%

### Back up: sub-threshold b-jet veto

Top reduction rates: the fraction of top events excluded by sub-threshold b jet veto



Fake rate: the fraction of non-top events in the events excluded by sub-threshold b veto



### Back up: sub-threshold b-jet veto

#### Conclusion:

- Sub-threshold b jet veto is more efficient in Ojet channel than in 1jet channel.
- All three b veto cases share almost the same ability of top reduction.
- $\diamond$  The MV1\_75 has the smallest fake rate.