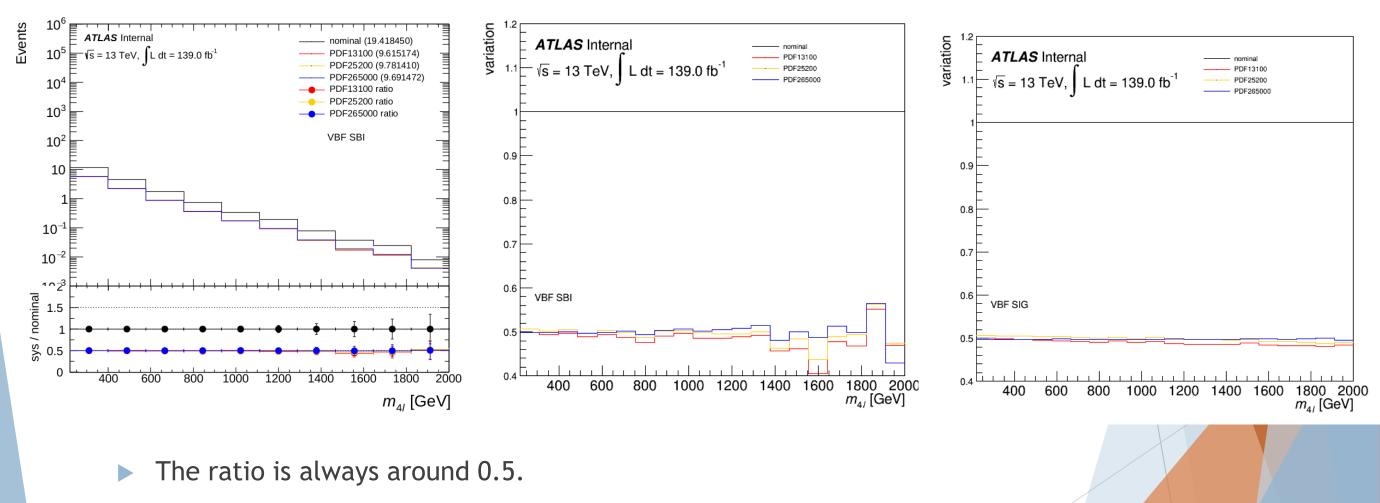
Weekly Report

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Problems from last week



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Not solved yet, probably not the problem of codes.

Literature reading

Supporting documentation for the off-shell Higgs signal strength measurement in $ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ and

 $ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$ channels

- The research ideas and significance
- The theories behind, e.g. some equations about cross sections
- Took a look at the already known results, e.g. the shape of some variables
- The methods used in systematics analysis

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Plans for next few weeks

Start working on a written report of literature reading. (assigned by the department)

Preliminary selected papers:

Observation of a new particle in the search for the Standard Model Higgs boson with the ATLAS detector at the LHC $^{\bigstar}$

Constraints on off-shell Higgs boson production and the Higgs boson total width in $ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ and $ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$ final states with the ATLAS detector

• Any advise or instructions are appreciated!

Prepare for the mid-term exams...

Thank you! :)

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