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Fiducial and differential cross-section measurements in $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ channel at 139 fb-1 with ATLAS



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Motivation

- Differential Fiducial Higgs measurements:
 - Test the SM Higgs boson properties in a wide variety of physics observables
 - Probe for BSM contributions:
 - Measurements are inclusive in production mode (fiducial phase space)
 - inimize model-dependence and comparisons with future and alternative theory calculations
- Presented in this talk:
 - Studied observables and comparisons with SM predictions
 - EFT interpretation of the measurements
 - charm-Yukawa coupling probing through pT(H) distribution

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• compare measured differential cross-sections distributions to state-of-the-art SM theories



$H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ channel

• Signature: two reconstructed isolated photons

• kinematic selections:

- $\mathbf{PT}(\gamma_1) > 0.35m_{\gamma\gamma}; \mathbf{pT}(\gamma_2) > 0.25m_{\gamma\gamma}$
- $|\eta| < 2.37$ (exclude 1.37-1.52 region)
- ▶ Jets: pT > 30 GeV, lyl < 4.4
- ▶ 105 $GeV < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 160 GeV$

Signal Modelling:

Idouble-sided Crystal Ball function: MC simulation

• Background sources and modelling:

SM $\gamma\gamma$ production (irreducible) and γ – *jet* and *jet* – *jet* (reducible ones)

• choice of the background model: signal+background fits to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ background-only templates:

function's choice uncertainty ('spurious signal')

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Fits to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ to extract the signal yields





Measurement methodology

- *Fiducial region:* defined to closely match the detectorlevel analysis and object selections
- *Differential fiducial cross-section* are measured in bins of the studied observable (<u>bin i</u> of a <u>variable x</u>)

 $\sqrt{N_i^{sig}}$ (measured signal yield): extracted signal events in data

- $\sqrt{\Delta x}$ (*bin width*): choice based on significance (more than 2σ) and minimize migrations
- $\sqrt{c_i}$ (*correction factor*): accounts for detector inefficiencies and resolutions effects as well as migrations in and out of fiducial region
 - estimated from MC simulation
 - bin-by-bin method and matrix-inversion (as a check)

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pT(H) and y(H) differential measurements



Low pT(H): sensitive to bottom and charm Yukawa couplings High pT(H): sensitive to new heavy particle coupling to the Higgs boson and top-quark mass effects



Sensitive to the gluon distribution in the proton and QCD radiative corrections

default MC prediction: ggF MC Powheg NNLOPS scaled to N^3LO



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• Good agreement with the SM predictions within the uncertainties:

- ▶ **pT(H)** ATLAS $p(\chi^2) = 44\%$ (default MC) prediction)
- ► $\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{H})$ ATLAS $p(\chi^2) = 68\%$ (default MC) prediction)
- Measurement is *statistically dominated*
 - Systematic uncertainties:
 - photon energy scale and resolution and background modelling







N_jets and pT(j1) differential measurements



Jet multiplicity provides sensitivity to Higgs boson production mechanism and theoretical modelling of high pT quark and gluon emissions

Jet transverse momentum offers direct probe to quark and gluon radiation



• Good agreement with the SM predictions within the uncertainties:

► N_jets $p(\chi^2) = 96\%$ (default MC prediction)

• N^3LO scaling improves agreement with data

► pT_j1(($p(\chi^2) = 77\%$) (default MC prediction)

▶ same kinematic range as pT(H): coarse bins at low pT

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Important systematics uncertainties:

▶ jet energy scale and resolution (6%-25%)



$H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$: interpretations



• Strength and Tensor structure of the interactions of the Higgs boson: Effective Field Theory (addition of new interactions CP-even and CP-odd)

- Constraints derived for the variables: $p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$, **N_jets**, m_{jj} , $\Delta \phi_{jj}$ and p_T^{j1}
- ► BSM contributions probed as non-zero Wilson coefficients
- ▶ Basis of parametrization SILH and SMEFT: c_i / \tilde{c}_i (Wilson coefficients); O_i / O_i (6d operators that introduce new interactions)



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Charm-Yukawa coupling interpretation

• Low pT(H) region provides sensitivity to Yukawa coupling of charm quark:

• Indirect constraint on $\kappa_c (= Y_c / Y_c^{SM})$ using **pT(H**) shape information only

- Loop-induced ggF and quark-initiated production of the Higgs boson are sensitive to modifications of κ_c
- ▶ $pT(H) < 140 \ GeV$ (most sensitive region)
- Profile likelihood fit: measured cross-sections and predicted cross-sections (ggF: Radish and cc/cg->H: Madgraph)
- Statistical uncertainty dominates

• Less stringent limits compared to direct searches $(VH, H \rightarrow c\bar{c}, \underline{PRL \ 120 \ 2018})$ but still complementary









Summary

✓ Higgs Fiducial and differential measurements in ATLAS experiment have been presented in the $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ channel:

- Higgs boson properties and probe to new physics contributions in many observables exploring *Higgs kinematic and jet-kinematic activity in the events*
- Very good agreement between the measurements and SM predictions:
 - Statistical uncertainty still the dominant uncertainty source in most channels
- Measurements are interpreted in the context of: EFT framework and pT(H) shape for charm-quark coupling
 - No significant BSM contributions are observed
 - Loose limits on κ_c are set compared to direct searches but still complementary

Thank you for the attention!

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m(jj) and $\Delta \phi(jj)$ differential measurements



sensitive to the VBF production mode in the high mass bin

 $\Delta \phi(jj)$

sensitive to the CP properties of the Higgs boson



• Level of agreement with the SM predictions:

- m(jj) $p(\chi^2) = 75\%$ (default MC prediction)
- ► $\Delta \phi(ij) (p(\chi^2) = 82\%)$ (default MC prediction)
- Measurement is *statistically dominated*

•Important systematics uncertainties:

▶ jet energy scale and resolution (6%-25%)



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