# Search for heavy resonances in final states with $4\ell$ and missing transverse energy or jets

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# List of Als received during the HDBS approval

- (1) Need to check overlap removal for  $6\ell$  between two sets of  $A \rightarrow ZH$  samples.
- (2) For the  $A \rightarrow ZH$ , what happens in events with 6 leptons then? How are the 4 leptons chosen?
- (3) Are signal regions orthogonal? Yes, but the diagram and text need to be improved.
- (4) Is the number of b-jets a subset of the number of central jets?
- (5) Confirm that the interpolated/generated behaviour is similar for many mass points (difference between interpolated and generated is smaller than the signal modelling variations) and if so, just use the interpolated/generated difference as the uncertainty.
- (6) Make sure that there's nothing wrong/missing. Try to artificially inflate a leading uncertainty and see if it induces a constraint.
- (7) Add category names to each label (rather than numbers) and add a few more mass points so that we can see how consistent the normalization factors are.
- (8) Do a comparison for a low mass (high stats) and a high mass (low stats) point.

# Al number (1)



□ Forcing the total number of lepton to be exactly  $4\ell$  in the generation of the  $A \rightarrow Z(\rightarrow 2\ell)H(\rightarrow 2\ell + X)$  signal, so X is everything except  $2\ell$  in this case.







There's **no overlap** between the two signals. However, we need to clarify that in the text, such as changing the symbol for one of the signals.

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 $\Box$  For the  $A \rightarrow ZH$ , what happens in events with 6 leptons then? How are the 4 leptons chosen?

Answer: the following answer is provided by RD (HZZ framework expert and developer)

□ When we find a quadruplet and there is an extra lepton above 12 GeV, passing isolation and d0 too, then we use a matrix element calculation based on the decay of the 4 leptons for all of the quads. Only in this case do we allow to 'change our minds' and pick the quad with the highest value for the ME. This is described (a bit) in the HZZ common support note.

#### Al number (3)



Answer: We improved the flowchart and the text for the signal regions.





 $\hfill\square$  Is the number of b-jets a subset of the number of central jets?

#### Answer:

 $\hfill\square$  No, the number of b-jets is not a subset of the central jets.



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Answer:

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# Al number (6)

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Inflating some nuisance parameters produces pulls and constrains on the parameters.

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The background normalisation under the background-only hypothesis for different mass points is shown.

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□ The background normalisation under the signal-plus background hypothesis for different mass points is shown.



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Upper limit	$(m_R, m_H) = (410, 240) \text{ GeV}$ 3860		$(m_R, m_H) = (850, 600) \text{ GeV}$ 3780	
	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed
Toys Asymptotic	0.347 0.303	0.562 0.532	0.125 0.053	0.102 0.085
Toys/Asymptotic	1.145	1.056	2.358	1.200

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