

VBF MVA Updates and Status

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Current Baseline Results

| Results (5GeV wind) | Cut-based loose | Cut-based tight | MVA loose | MVA tight |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| VBF signal | 2.9 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 4.1 |
| ggF | 1.9 | 1.5 | 3.9 | 1.0 |
| bk model | 35.1 | 9.7 | 43.7 | 6.7 |
| Purity | 59.5% | 74.7% | 53.7% | 79.6% |
| Significance | 0.48 | 1.26 | 0.67 | 1.36 |
| $\Delta\mu_{\text{VBF}}$ (statistic) | 87.6% | | 78.8% | |
| Data | 369 | 99 | 451 | 69 |

- Use Sherpa MC (74.9%) + RevISO (25.1%) as background model
 - half for training, half for test
- MVA VBF categories v.s cut-based ones
 - 12% better on expected VBF significance
 - 9% better on measured μ_{VBF} uncertainty (statistic only)
- Current MVA VBF comparing to Moriond VBF:
 - 2% improvement on VBF significance and $\Delta\mu_{\text{VBF}}$
 - 4% improvement on VBF purity

More Tests with Data Sidebands

| Significance | Loose | Tight | Combined | VBF Purity |
|---------------|-------|-------|----------|------------|
| Sherpa | 0.63 | 1.40 | 1.54 | 79.0% |
| RevISO | 0.57 | 1.40 | 1.51 | 76.1% |
| RevID | 0.49 | 1.25 | 1.35 | 71.1% |
| Sherpa+RevISO | 0.65 | 1.43 | 1.57 | 79.5% |
| Sherpa+RevID | 0.62 | 1.40 | 1.53 | 77.8% |
| RevISO+RevID | 0.55 | 1.32 | 1.43 | 73.4% |
| All 3 | 0.66 | 1.42 | 1.57 | 79.3% |

- RevID does not help
- Best results from Sherpa MC + full RevISO
 - 3% better than baseline MVA
 - part of the improvement from fluctuation
 - won't update the baseline for now
 - retrain MVA / test stability with new data in future