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Measurement of Higgs Boson couplings and CP Structure using tau leptons at LHC

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Outline



- ▶ This talk is focused on the potential for the measurement of CP violation in the Higgs boson couplings using $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ events
- ▶ Content:
 - main features of $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ channel and $H\tau\tau$ coupling measurement in Run-I
 - CP invariance in VBF $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$
 - CP invariance in $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ decay: no estimate with full detector simulation yet. Overview of observables and final states and focus on experimental issues
- ▶ Related talks this week:
 - “Tau reconstruction at ATLAS” by Cristina GALEA/Daniele ZANZI
 - “Tau trigger and Identification at CMS in Run II” by Olivier DAVIGNON
 - “Higgs decays to tau leptons in the Standard Model and beyond” by Laura DODD
 - “Perspective for a measurement of tau-Polarisation in $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ with CMS” by Vladimir CHEREPANOV
 - “Search for the Standard Model Higgs boson in the di-tau decay channel with the ATLAS detector” by Dugan O’NEIL



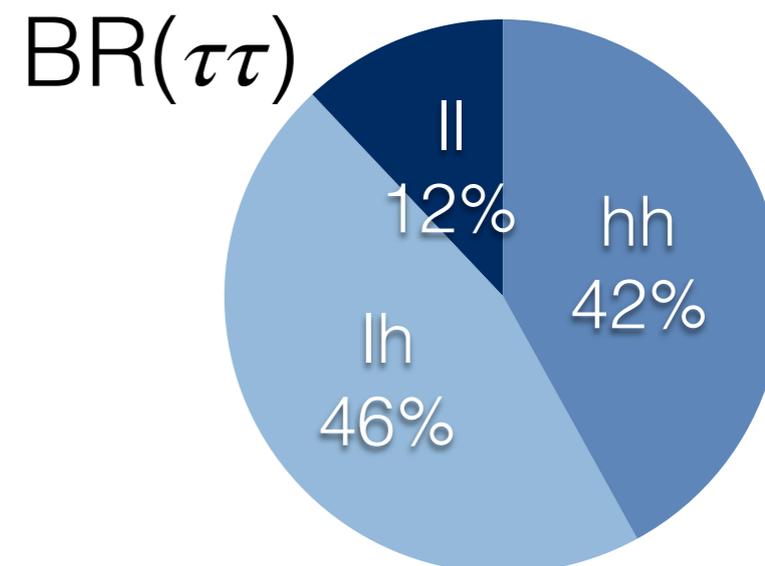
Higgs Boson Couplings



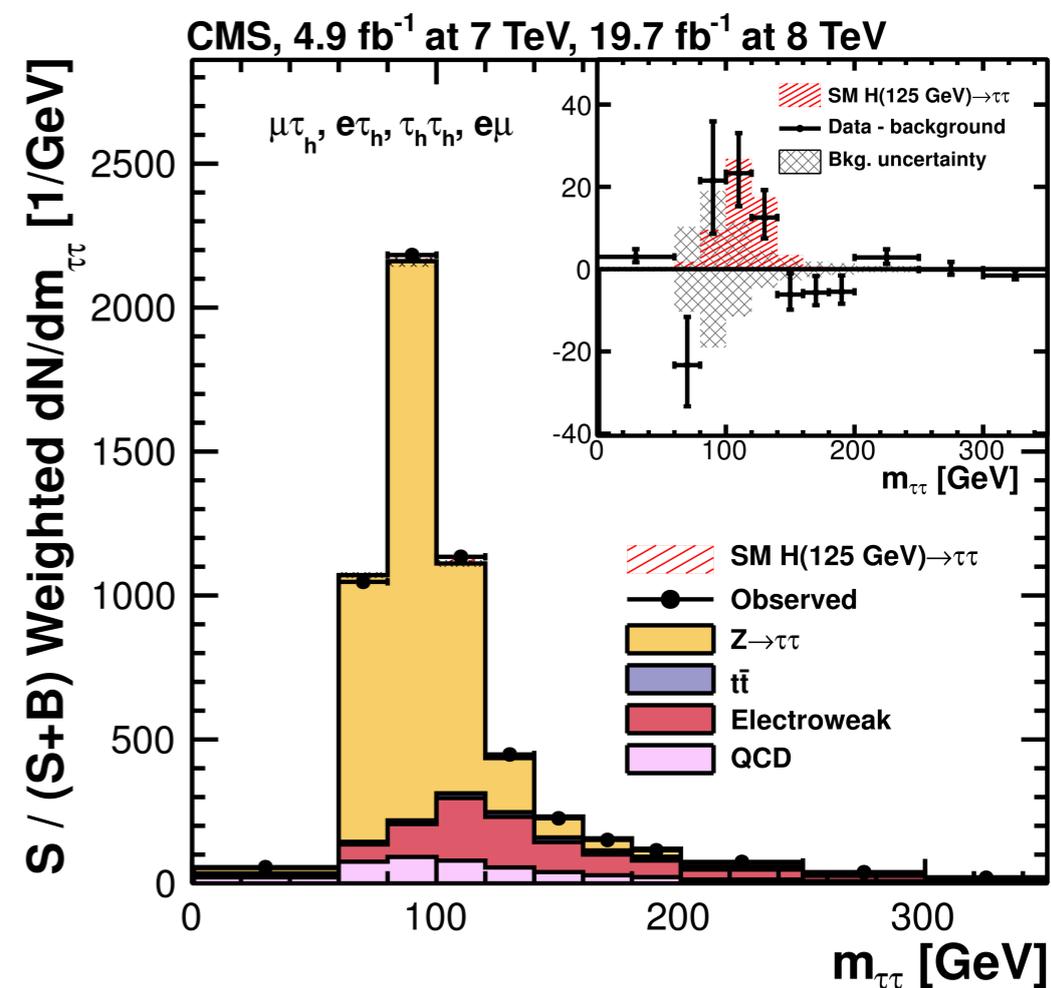
- ▶ Importance of measuring CP violation in Higgs boson couplings
 - lack of sources of CP violation in the SM to explain observed baryon asymmetry
 - no observable effect of CP violation expected in production or decay of SM Higgs boson
- ▶ Any observation of CP violation involving the observed Higgs boson is an unequivocal sign of physics beyond the SM
- ▶ Maybe one of the few chances to get direct hints for new physics at LHC if the new physics mass scale is too high for direct production

The $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ Channel

- ▶ Most sensitive fermionic channel (BR=6.3%)
- ▶ One of the most sensitive final states for VBF production at LHC
- ▶ Bulk of the sensitivity in events with $p_{\tau}^{\tau\tau} \gtrsim 100$ GeV
- ▶ Large irreducible background from $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$
- ▶ 10-20% $m(\tau, \tau)$ mass resolution due to the presence of at least two neutrinos in final state
- ▶ Low-pt electrons, muons and hadronically-decaying tau difficult to trigger on

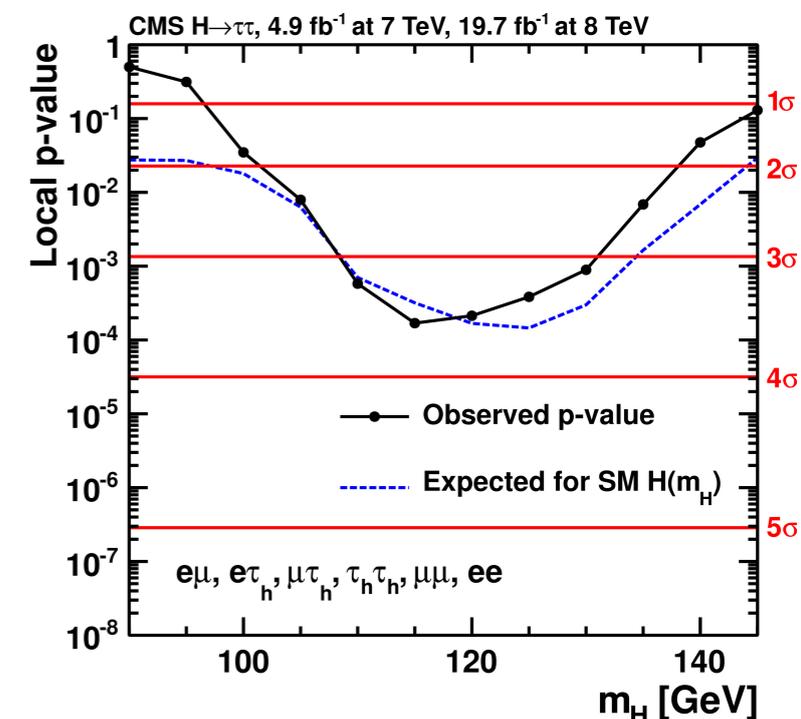
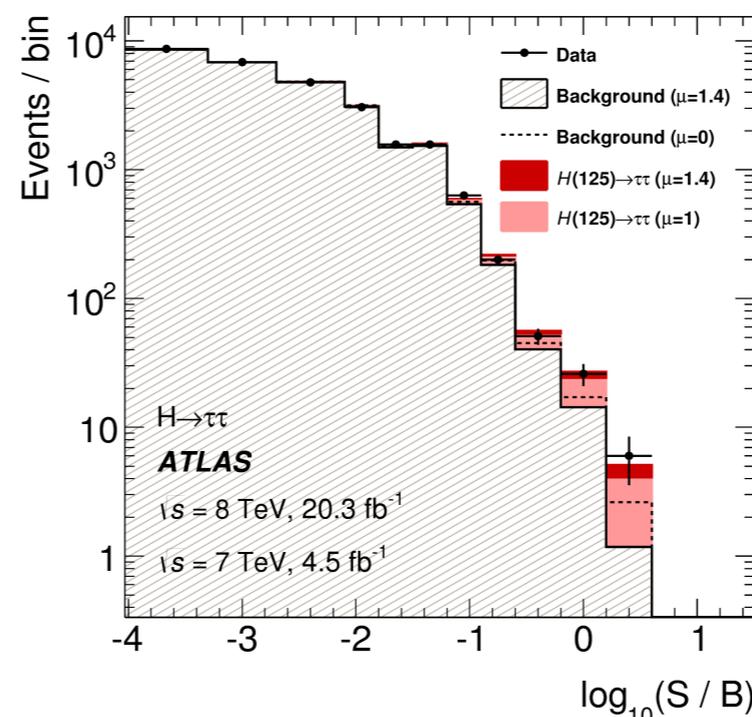


Decay mode	Meson resonance	\mathcal{B} [%]
$\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\tau$		17.8
$\tau^- \rightarrow \mu^- \bar{\nu}_\mu \nu_\tau$		17.4
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- \nu_\tau$		11.5
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	$\rho(770)$	26.0
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- \pi^0 \pi^0 \nu_\tau$	$a_1(1260)$	9.5
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- h^+ h^- \nu_\tau$	$a_1(1260)$	9.8
$\tau^- \rightarrow h^- h^+ h^- \pi^0 \nu_\tau$		4.8
Other modes with hadrons		3.2
All modes containing hadrons		64.8

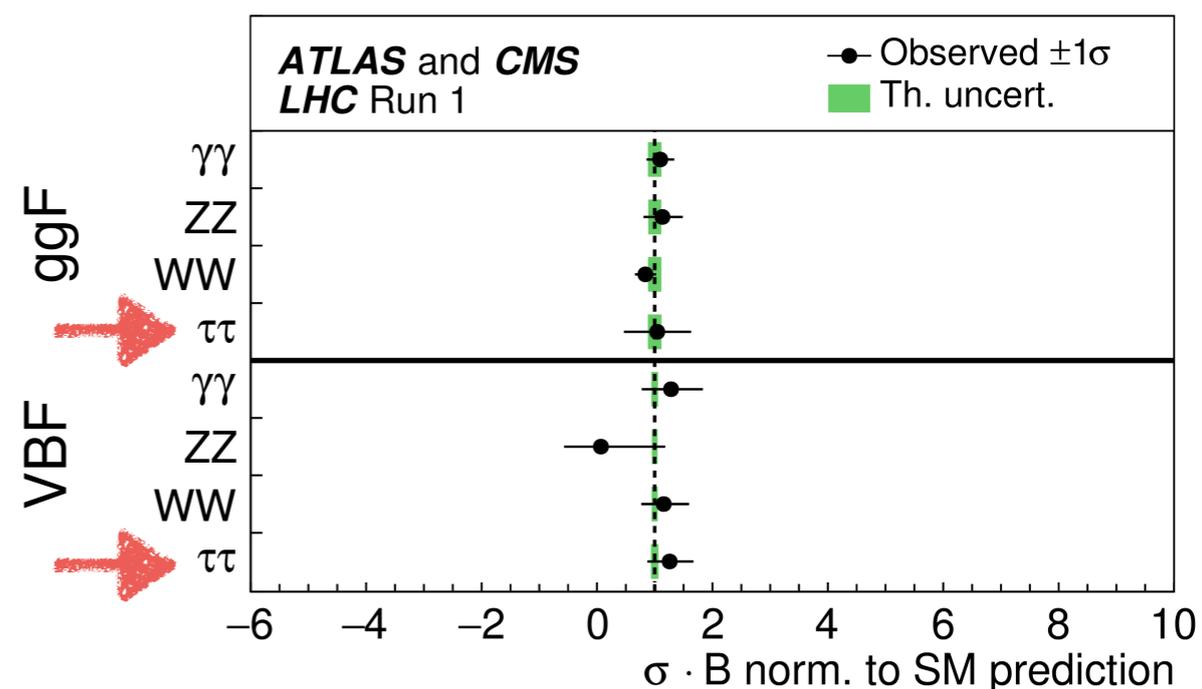


ATLAS: JHEP04(2015)117, CMS: JHEP05(2014)104,
ATLAS and CMS: arxiv:1606.02266 (submitted to JHEP)

- ▶ ATLAS and CMS results based on full Run-I dataset at 7 and 8 TeV
 - very similar selected phase spaces targeting VBF and ggH+jet productions
 - similar background estimates
 - different signal extraction methods (cut-based and MVA)
- ▶ Sensitivity dominated by VBF event categories
- ▶ ATLAS+CMS combination: >5sigma observation (H->tautau)



	ATLAS	CMS	ATLAS+CMS
$\mu^{\tau\tau}$	$1.41^{+0.40}_{-0.36}$	$0.88^{+0.30}_{-0.28}$	$1.11^{+0.24}_{-0.22}$
Obs. (Exp.) p0	4.4(3.3)	3.4(3.7)	5.5(5.0)





CP Invariance in **VBF** $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

ATLAS: arxiv:1602.04516
(submitted to EPJC)

- ▶ **Direct test of CP invariance** in the VBF Higgs boson production
- ▶ Test of CP-violating contributions in HVV coupling. Independent of Higgs decay mode
- ▶ Exploit statistical power of VBF in $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ channel: $O(10)$ signal events and $s/b \sim 0.3$
- ▶ Limits set on CP-violating effects in EFT framework
- ▶ EFT Lagrangian with up to mass dimension six CP-violating operators parametrised by dimensionless coupling \tilde{d} :

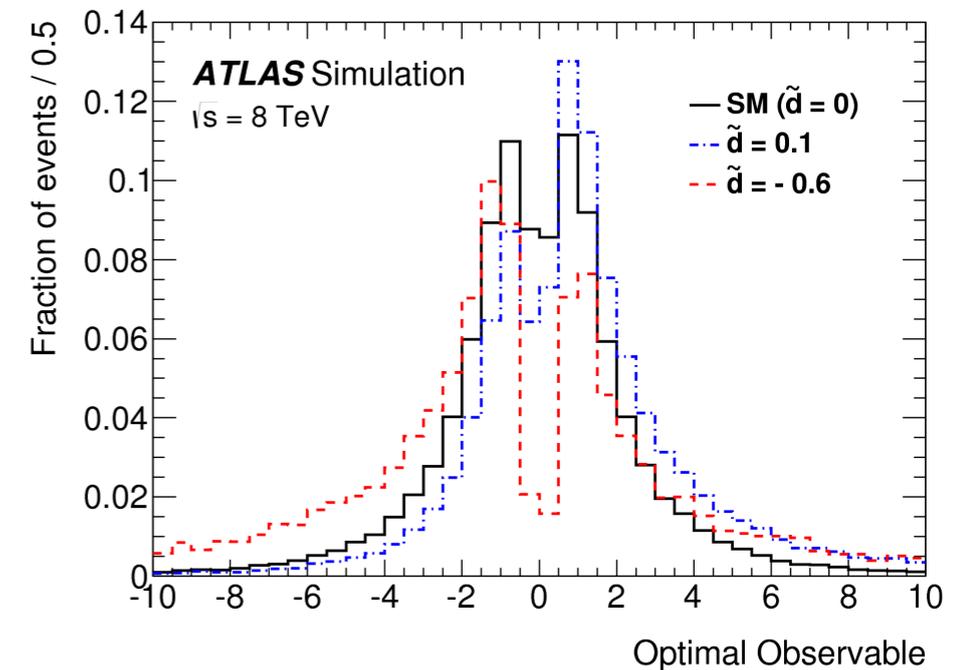
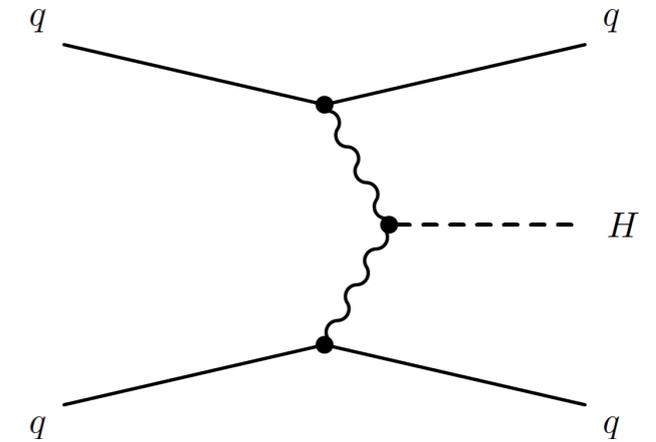
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \tilde{g}_{HAA} H \tilde{A}_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{g}_{HAZ} H \tilde{A}_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{g}_{HZZ} H \tilde{Z}_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + \tilde{g}_{HWW} H \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu}$$

$$\tilde{g}_{HAA} = \tilde{g}_{HZZ} = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}_{HWW} = \frac{g}{2m_W} \tilde{d} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{g}_{HAZ} = 0$$

- ▶ CP-odd *Optimal Observable* defined as ratio of interference term in ME to the SM contribution

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2 + \tilde{d} \cdot 2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{CP-odd}}) + \tilde{d}^2 \cdot |\mathcal{M}_{\text{CP-odd}}|^2$$

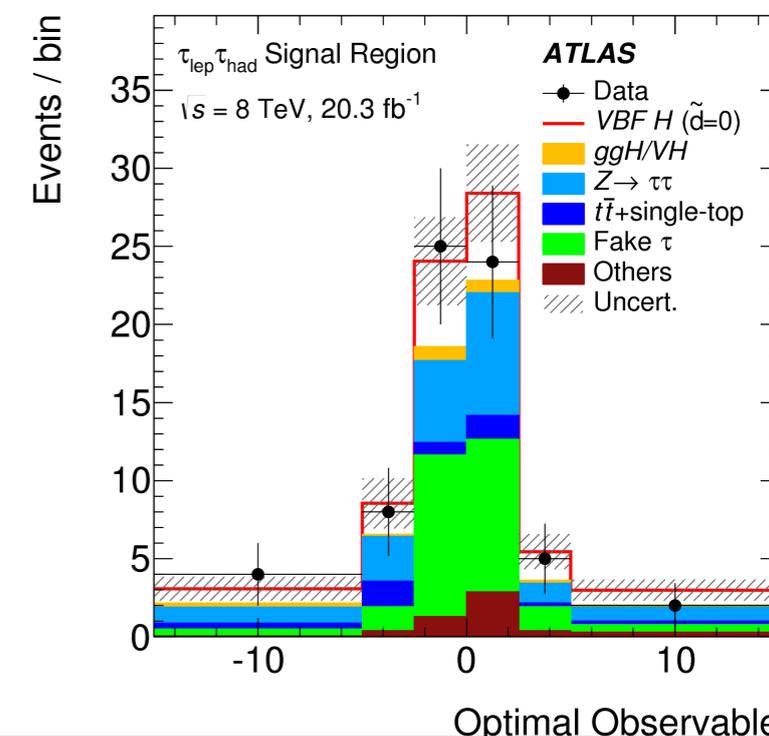
$$\mathcal{OO} = \frac{2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{CP-odd}})}{|\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2}$$



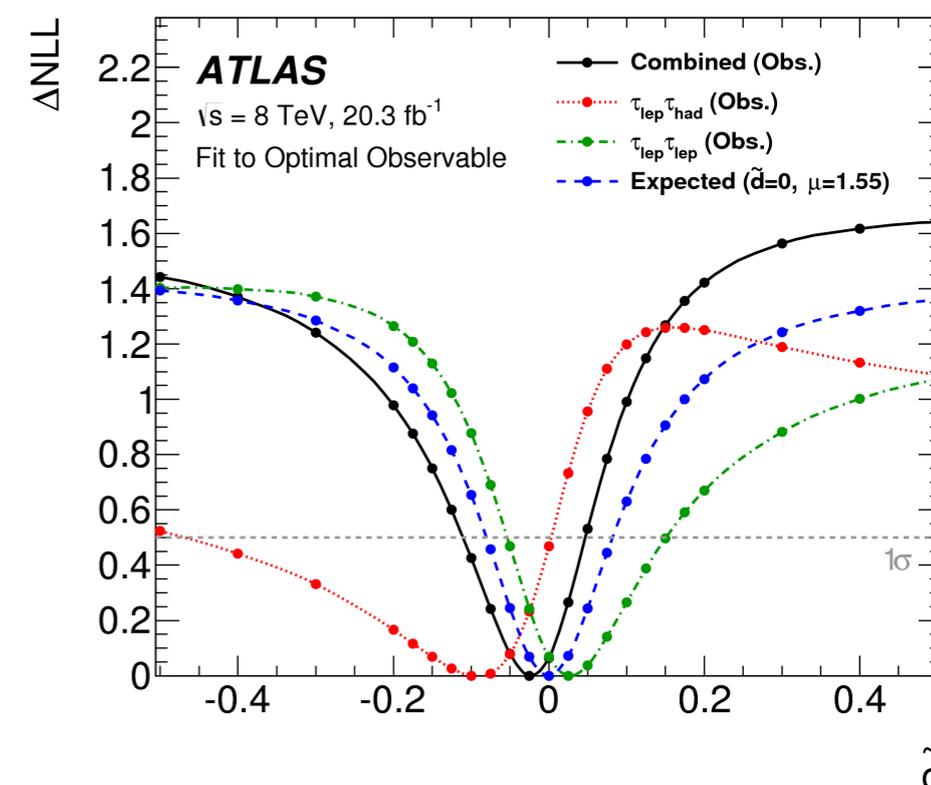
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- Spin-off of the ATLAS Run-I VBF MVA analysis in ll and lh channels:
 - same selections and background estimates
 - fit of the events selected in the most sensitive BDT-score bins
- The **observed $\langle OO \rangle$ is consistent with zero** within statistical uncertainties. No hints for CP-violation:
 - ll : $\langle OO \rangle = 0.3 \pm 0.5$
 - lh : $\langle OO \rangle = -0.3 \pm 0.4$
- 68% CL limits on \tilde{d} :

$$-0.11 < \tilde{d} < 0.05$$
- 68% CL limits 10 times better than previous results from $H \rightarrow VV$ channels. No sensitivity yet for 95% CL interval



Process	$\tau_{lep}\tau_{lep}$	$\tau_{lep}\tau_{had}$
Data	54	68
VBF $H \rightarrow \tau\tau/WW$	9.8 ± 2.1	16.7 ± 4.1
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	19.6 ± 1.0	19.1 ± 2.2
Fake lepton/ τ	2.3 ± 0.3	24.1 ± 1.5
$t\bar{t}$ +single-top	3.8 ± 1.0	4.8 ± 0.7
Others	11.5 ± 1.7	5.3 ± 1.6
$ggH/VH, H \rightarrow \tau\tau/WW$	1.6 ± 0.2	2.5 ± 0.7
Sum of backgrounds	38.9 ± 2.3	55.8 ± 3.3





CP Invariance in $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ **Decay**

CP Invariance in $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ Decay

- ▶ Unique chance for **model-independent direct measurement** for CP-violating Yukawa couplings (Higgs production independent)
- ▶ Unlike for HVV coupling, SM Lagrangian can be extended with **tree-level** CP-odd Yukawa couplings:

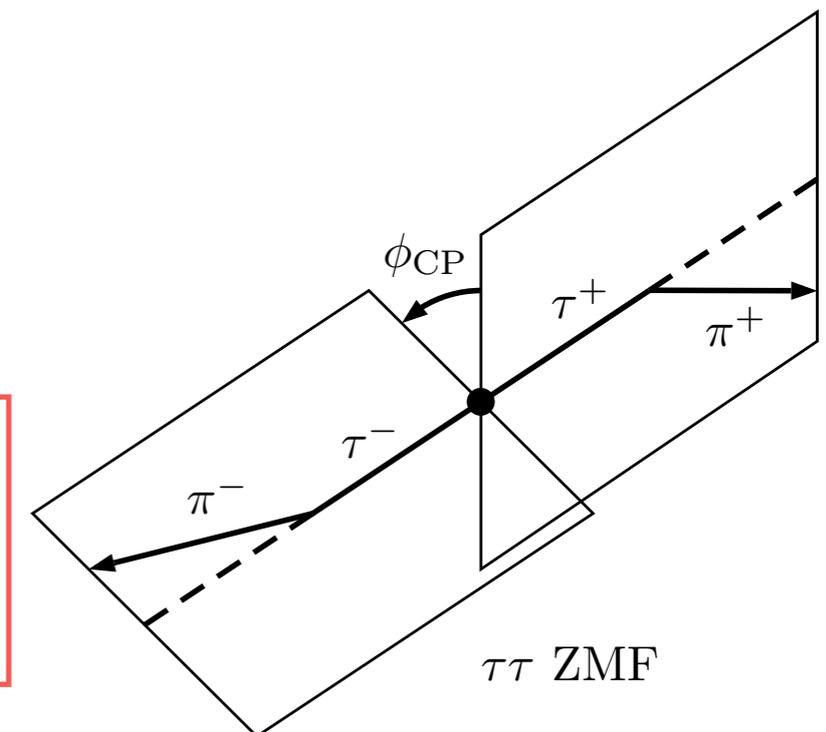
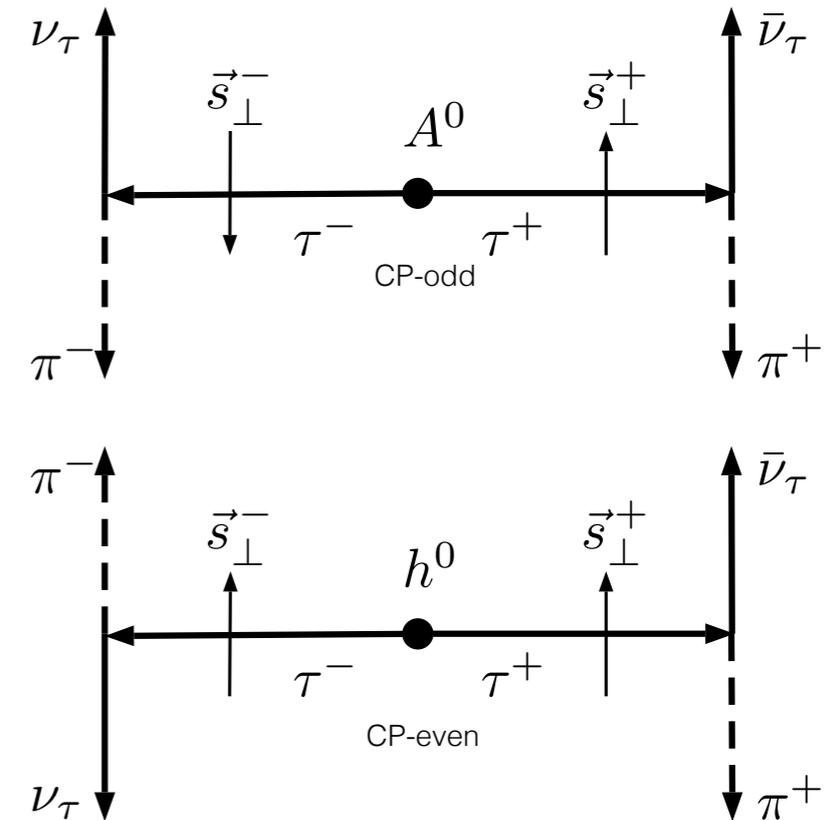
$$\mathcal{L}_{h\tau\tau} = -\frac{m_\tau}{v} \kappa_\tau (\underbrace{\cos \phi_\tau \bar{\tau}\tau}_{\text{CP-even}} + \underbrace{\sin \phi_\tau \bar{\tau}i\gamma_5\tau}_{\text{CP-odd}}) h$$

SM : $\phi_\tau = 0$
 CP - odd : $\phi_\tau = \pi/2$

- ▶ CP-violating $H\tau\tau$ coupling experimentally accessible from transverse tau spin correlations and angular distributions of tau decay products in the Higgs rest frame

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma(h \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^- + 2\nu)}{d\phi_{CP}} \propto 1 - \frac{\pi^2}{16} \cos(\phi_{CP}^* - 2\phi_\tau)$$

- ▶ CP-mixing angle ϕ_τ accessible looking at the signed angle of the tau decay planes
- ▶ Experimentally challenging: not possible to reconstruct tau momenta and Higgs rest frame, $\tau\tau$ Zero-Momentum-Frame (ZMF)



Short literature review:

Berge et al. [[Phys.Rev.D92, 096012](#), [EPJC\(2014\)74:3164](#), [Phys.Lett.B727\(2013\)488-495](#)]

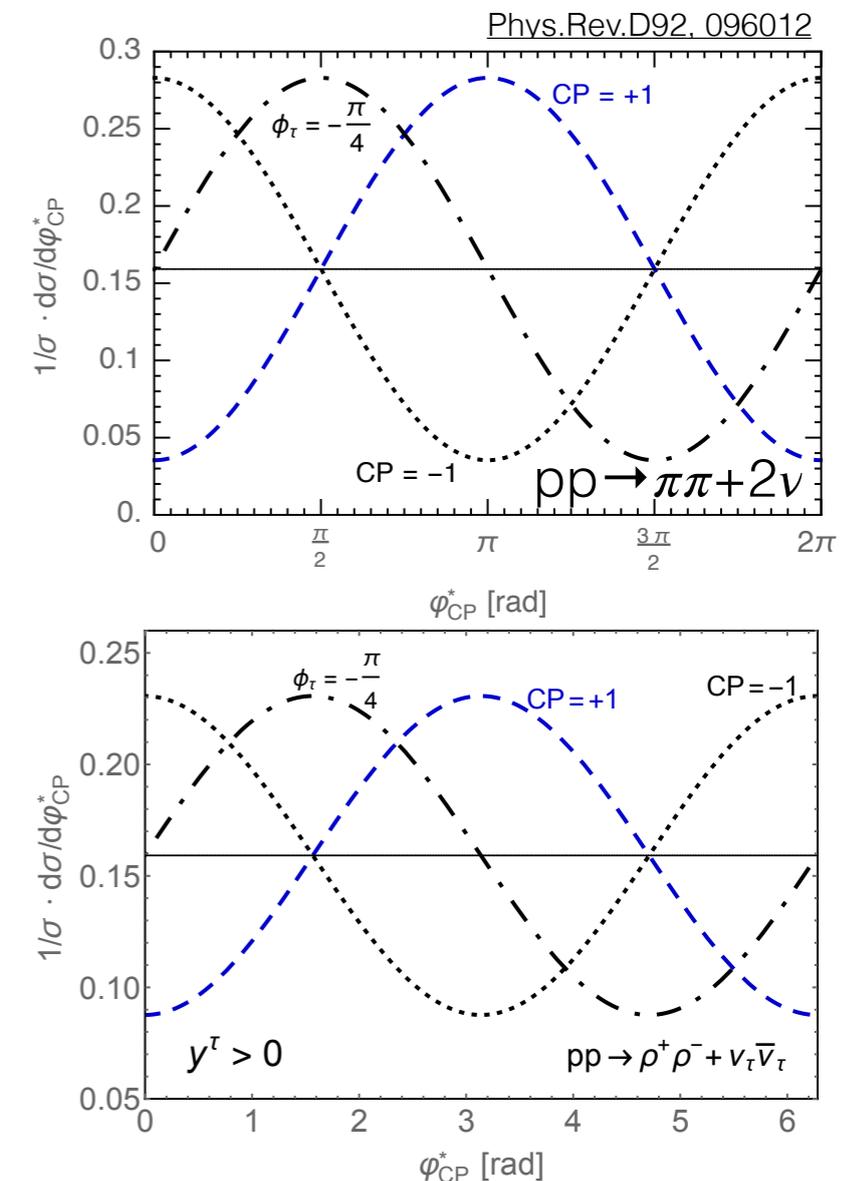
Primulando et al. [[Phys.Rev.D88,076009](#)]

Desch et al. [[Phys.Lett.B579\(2004\)157-164](#)]

Was et al. [[Phys.Lett.B543\(2002\)227-234](#), [arxiv:1608.02609](#)]

- ▶ Sensitivity to ϕ_τ using visible tau decay products and without reconstruction of Higgs rest frame
- ▶ Because of only one neutrino, hadronic decays expected to have higher sensitivity to tau spin than leptonic decays
- ▶ **Impact Parameter (IP) method** [Phys.Lett.B727(2013)488–495]:
 - decay plane from the tau leading track and its IP from the primary vertex
 - works for every decay (including leptonic), but best for direct decays $\tau^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \nu$. For non-direct decays, tune of tau lower pt cut needed due to sign flip in spin analysing power
- ▶ **ρ method** [Phys.Lett.B579(2004)157–164]:
 - tau decay plane spanned by the track and neutral pion in $\tau^\pm \rightarrow \rho^\pm(770) \rightarrow \pi^\pm \pi^0 \nu$
 - decays need to be classified based on the π^\pm - π^0 energy difference in the $\rho\rho$ rest frame

$$y_\pm = \frac{E_{\pi^\pm} - E_{\pi^0}}{E_{\pi^\pm} + E_{\pi^0}}$$
- ▶ Effectiveness of observable depends also on:
 - how well it combines with other observables for mixed $\tau\tau$ decays
 - how different is its distribution in mis-classified decays (can cancel out modulation in correctly classified decays!)



ATLAS: EPJC(2016)76:295; CMS: JINST11(2016)P01019, CMS-DP-2016-015

- Experimental needs: **high reco*ID efficiency** and **high purity** in decay mode classification, **good pi0 momentum resolution**
- π -decay has low BR, but high reco efficiency. Electron/muon fake contamination
- ρ -decay has high BR and high reco efficiency. High contamination of $\pi^\pm 2\pi^0$

BR($\tau\tau$) [%]	lep	π^+	$\pi^+\pi^0$	$\pi^+ \geq 2\pi^0$	$3\pi^+ \geq 0\pi^0$
lep	12				
π^-	8	1			
$\pi^-\pi^0$	18	6	7		
$\pi^- \geq 2\pi^0$	8	3	6	1	
$3\pi^- \geq 0\pi^0$	11	4	8	4	3

45%



43%

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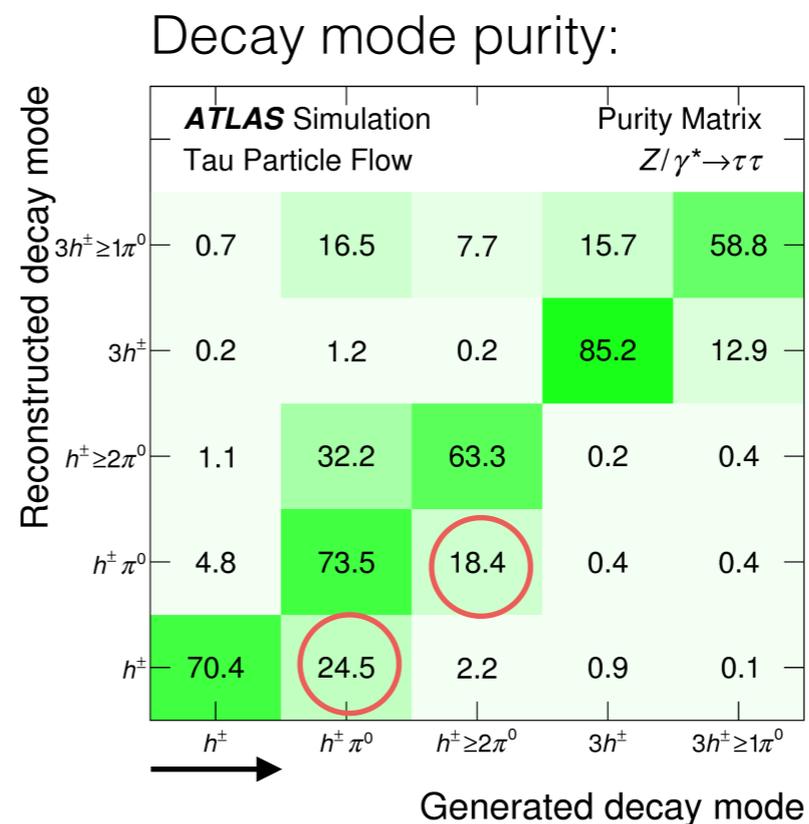
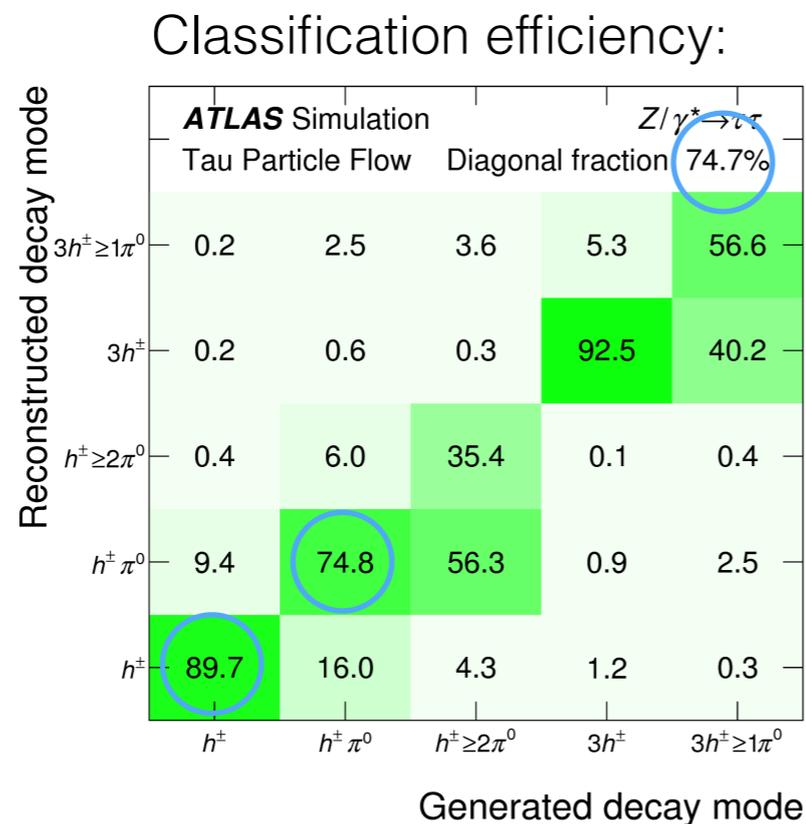
Decay mode	\mathcal{B} [%]	$\mathcal{A} \cdot \epsilon_{\text{reco}}$ [%]	ϵ_{ID} [%]
h^\pm	11.5	32	75
$h^\pm \pi^0$	30.0	33	55
$h^\pm \geq 2\pi^0$	10.6	43	40
$3h^\pm$	9.5	38	70
$3h^\pm \geq 1\pi^0$	5.1	38	46



BR*Reco*ID [%]	π^+	$\pi^+\pi^0$	$\pi^+ \geq 2\pi^0$	$3\pi^+ \geq 0\pi^0$
π^-	0.08			
$\pi^-\pi^0$	0.30	0.30		
$\pi^- \geq 2\pi^0$	0.10	0.20	0.03	
$3\pi^- \geq 0\pi^0$	0.16	0.30	0.10	0.07

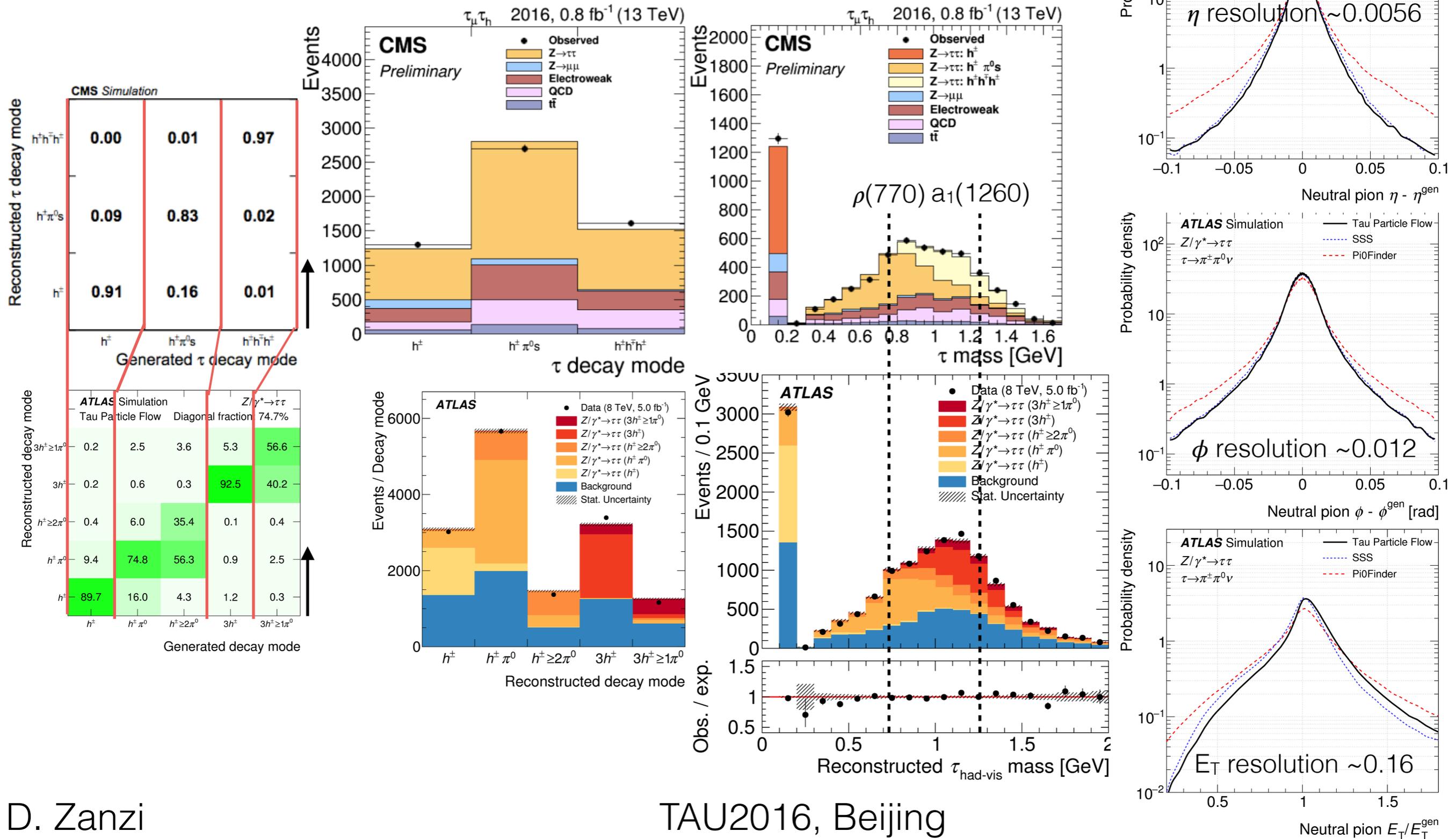
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Tau Decay Reconstruction

ATLAS: EPJC(2016)76:295; CMS: JINST11(2016)P01019, CMS-DP-2016-015



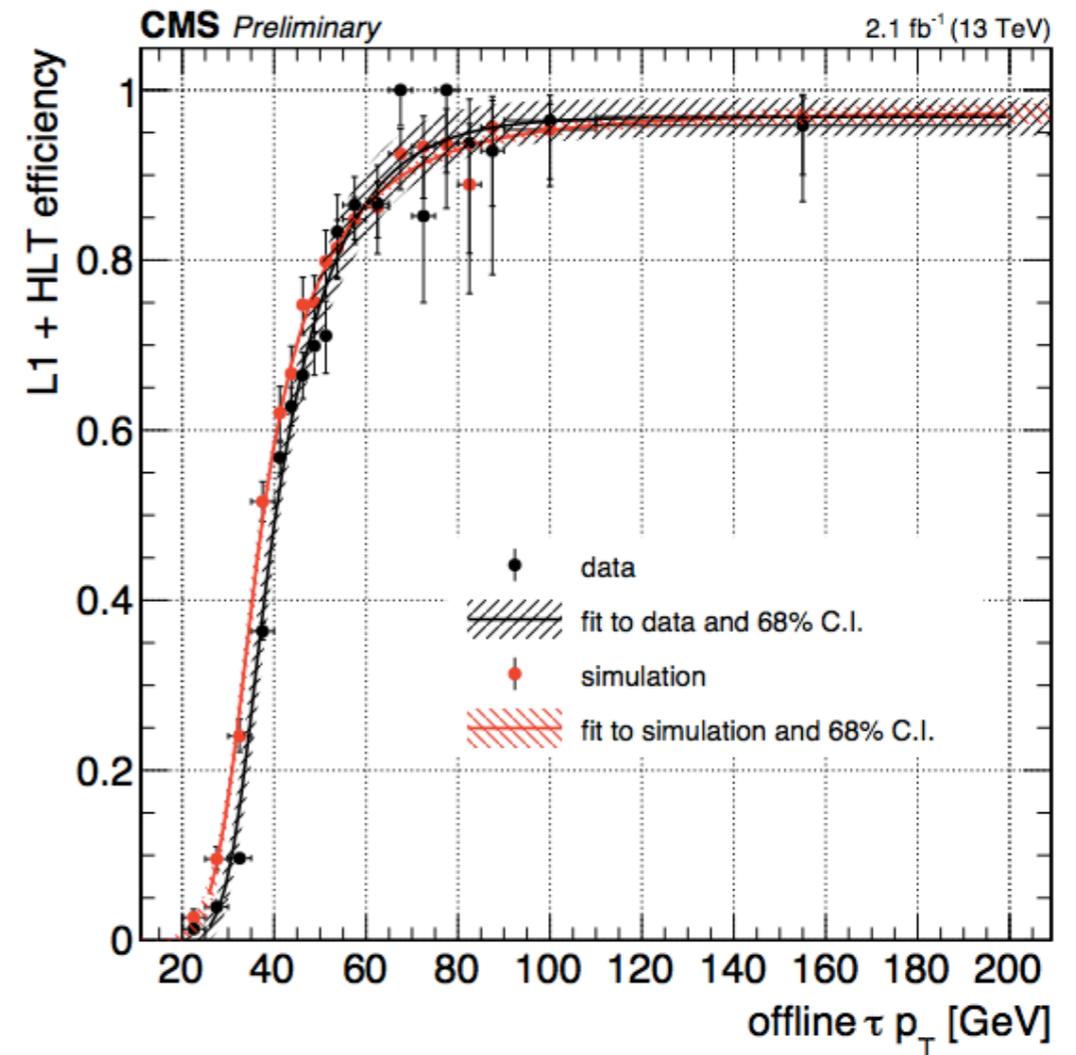
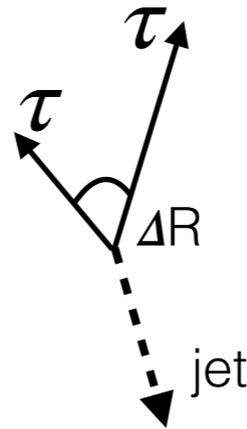
Tau Trigger

CMS: CMS-DP-2016-037; ATLAS: ATLAS TauTriggerPublicResults

▶ L1 bottleneck for hh:

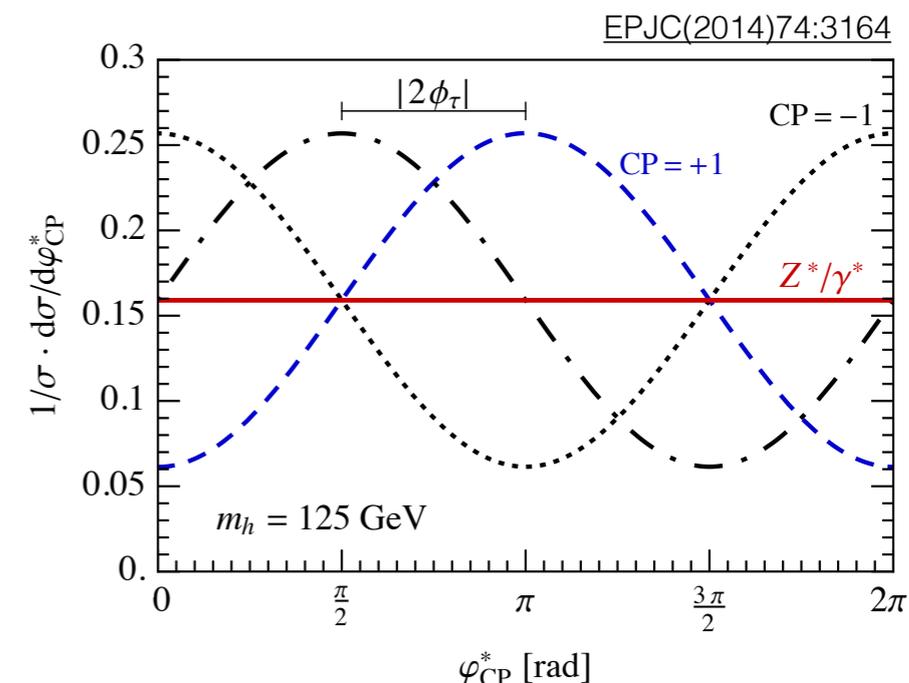
- at L1, taus are pure calorimeter signatures. Very expensive as luminosity and pileup increases
- efficiency curve driven by L1 energy resolution

- ▶ To reduce rate, additional requirements like **extra jets** or $\Delta R(\tau, \tau)$ (see new ATLAS L1Topo HW) are used to select the boosted phase space used by $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$



$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$ Background

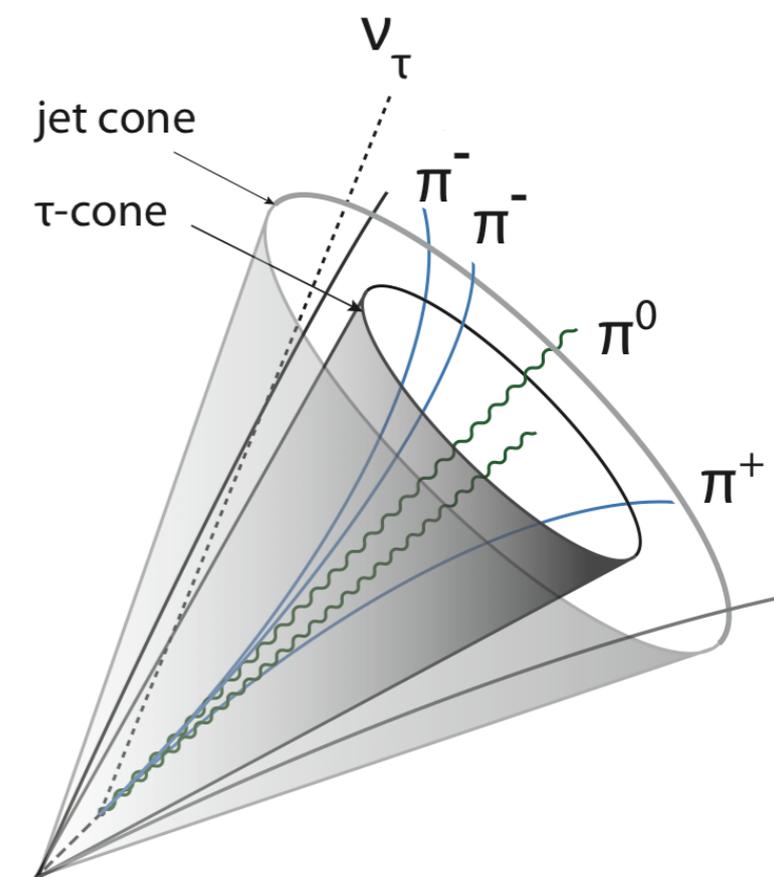
- ▶ ϕ_{CP} distribution expected to be **flat** as taus are mostly longitudinally polarised
 - is ϕ_{CP} distribution still flat in boosted $Z+j$ events ($p_T^{\tau\tau} > 100\text{GeV}$)?
 - are tau spin correlations in mass tail with $110 < m_{\tau\tau} < 140\text{ GeV}$ significantly different?



- ▶ Current methods to model the $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ background is via:
 - MC, tau decays are performed either inside ME calculation or outside. **Sherpa** includes the tau decay in the ME with the full helicity matrix, while MadGraph/Powheg use **TAUOLA/TauSpinner** which simulates longitudinal and transverse tau spin correlations as expected in DY events
 - Embedded $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ data events, where muons are replaced by taus whose decays is simulated by TAUOLA/TauSpinner
- ▶ In Run-I, both ATLAS and CMS used **embedded events** to reduce theory systematic uncertainties on $Z+j, 2j$ productions
- ▶ If there are no significant effects that require full $Z+j$ simulation as in Sherpa, we can profit from high statistics and reduce systematics in embedded events

Fakes

- ▶ Contamination from jets faking taus not negligible, especially in interesting $m_{\tau\tau}$ mass range
- ▶ Distributions expected flat, but can be sculpted by detector effects
- ▶ In hh in Run-I, both ATLAS and CMS used **anti-isolated taus** to model the multi-jet background
 - anti-isolation means different numbers of neutral and charged pions, that is different decay modes
- ▶ For CP measurement, need to have a model for jets faking hadronic taus with the same decay mode as signal
 - may need to use anti-ID'ed taus corrected by fake rates. This is challenging given the not well-defined multi-jet production processes (successfully used in lh channel)
- ▶ In general, studies of multi-jet background based on MC are very hard



Summary

- ▶ Great potential for direct measurement of CP violation using $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ events, both in Higgs production and decay:
 - 5σ observation for $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ decays from ATLAS+CMS combination in Run-I
 - $[-0.11, 0.05]$ limits at 68% CL on CP-mixing parameter \tilde{d} in VBF production
- ▶ Test of CP violation in $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ decays very promising, but experimentally challenging. No estimate yet with full detector simulation. I've tried to present some of the experimental issues
 - sensitive phase spaces at $p^{\tau\tau} \gtrsim 100$ GeV, especially in VBF topology
 - need to use as many decay modes as possible with observables robust against limited detector resolution and little sensitive to misclassified decays
 - focus on getting good pion angular and energy resolutions, low decay mode misclassification rate, and high decay reconstruction and identification efficiency
 - $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ and multi-jets backgrounds may need special treatment for CP analyses
- ▶ Work ongoing on all these points

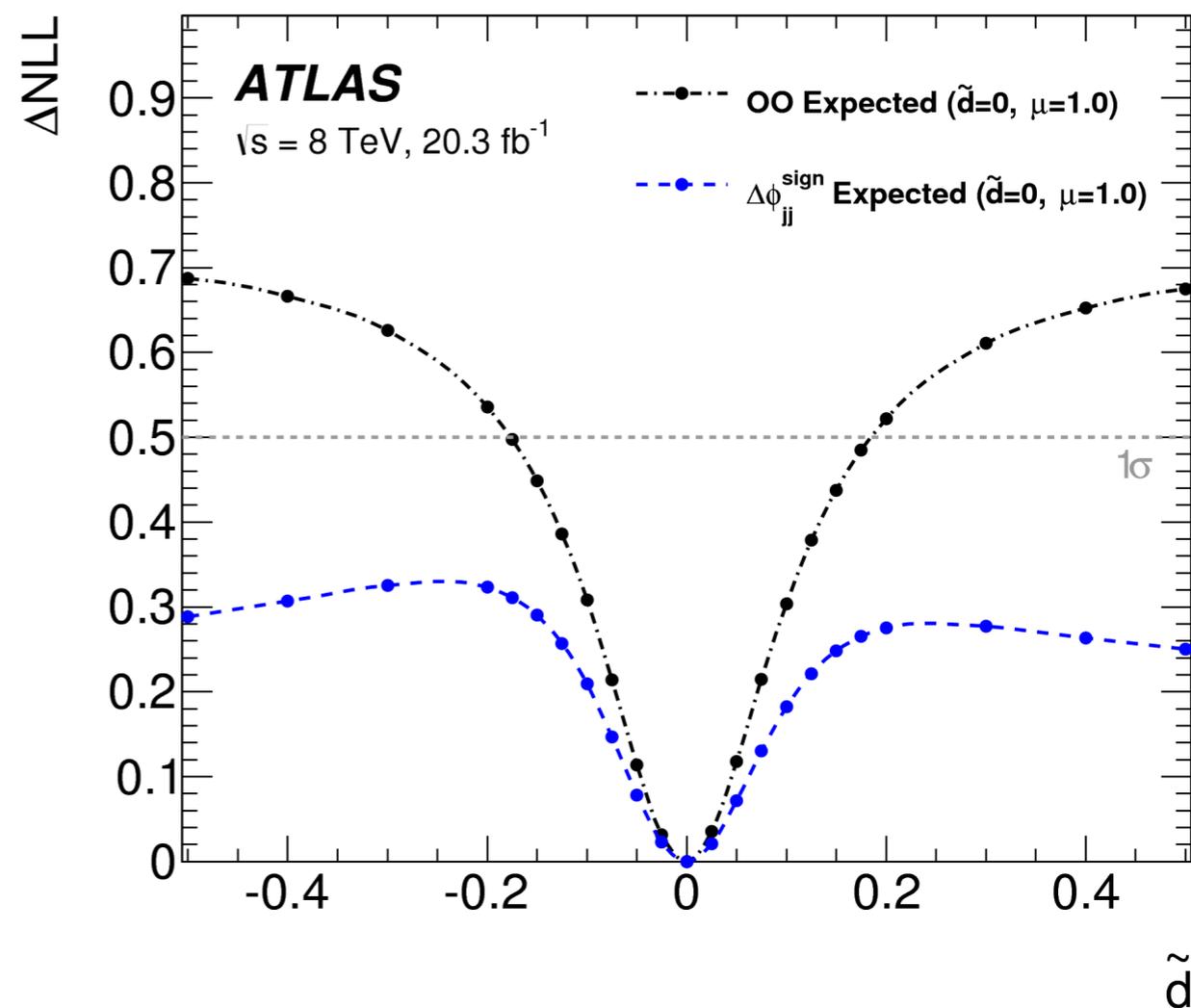


Additional Material

CP Invariance in VBF $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

ATLAS: arxiv:1602.04516
(submitted to EPJC)

- ▶ Alternative observable is signed $\Delta\phi$ between VBF jets, but the sensitivity is lower
- ▶ Possible extensions: idea to probe ggH coupling in ggH+2j events ([arxiv:1406.3322](https://arxiv.org/abs/1406.3322))

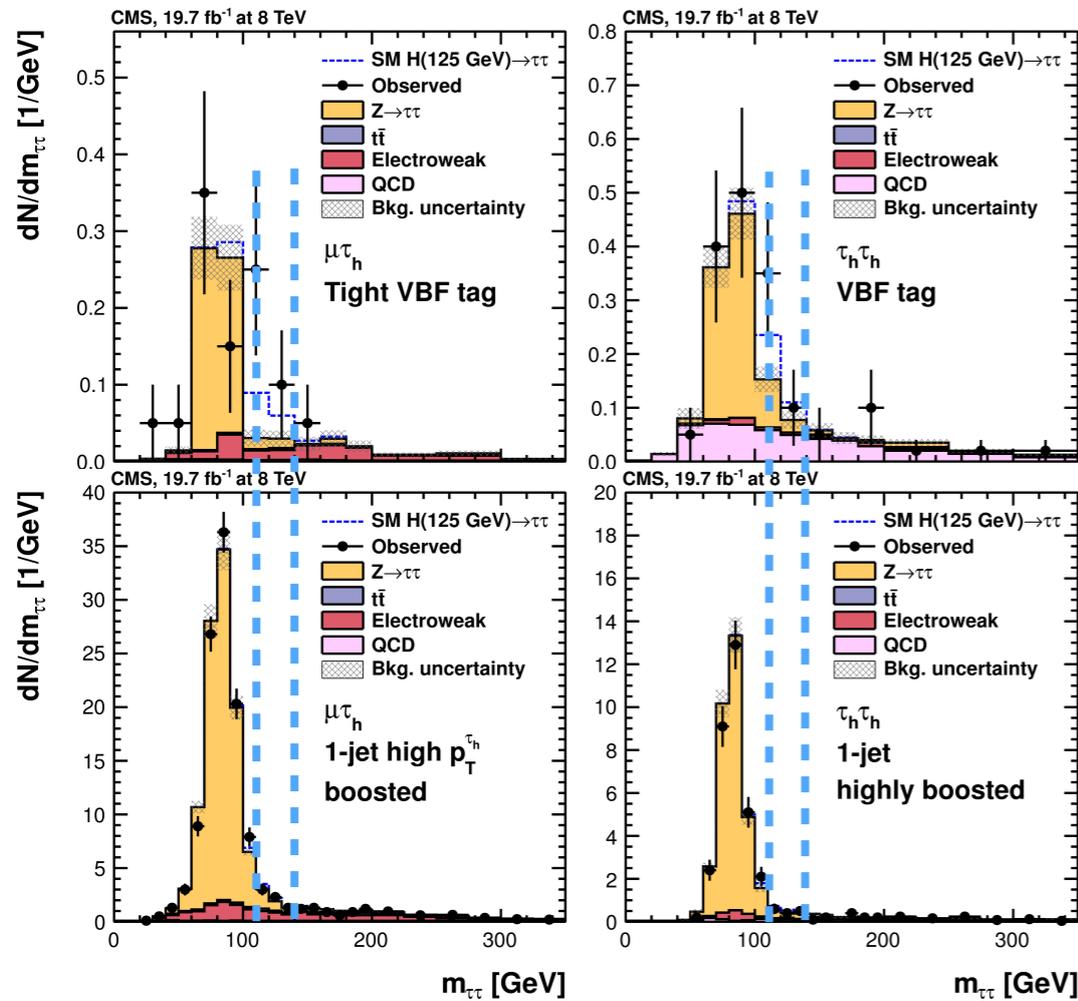


- ▶ For **3-tracks** decays, method proposed based on secondary vertex reconstruction (experimentally challenging) or extension of ρ method based on NN [[arxiv:1608.02609](https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.02609)]

Event Categorisation

- In ATLAS and CMS cut-based analysis, most sensitive categories have at least $p_T^{\tau\tau} > 100 \text{ GeV}$, both for VBF and ggF production
- In $110 < m_{\tau\tau} < 140 \text{ GeV}$, good s/b (~ 1 in VBF, ~ 0.1 in 1jet), but large part of the bkg are fakes. Large stat. uncertainty in VBF

ATLAS: [JHEP04\(2015\)117](#); CMS: [JHEP05\(2014\)104](#)



Event Category (8 TeV)	Signal	$\frac{S}{S+B}$
$\mu\tau$ Tight VBF	2.4 ± 0.2	0.49
$\tau\tau$ VBF	3.0 ± 0.3	0.32
$\mu\tau$ 1-jet high- p_T boosted	16.5 ± 2.6	0.07
$\tau\tau$ 1-jet highly boosted	8.4 ± 1.2	0.14

	0-jet	1-jet	2-jet		
CMS Run-I					
$\mu\tau_h$	$p_T^{th} > 45 \text{ GeV}$	high- p_T^{th}	high- p_T^{th} high-p_T^{th} boosted	loose VBF tag	tight VBF tag (2012 only)
	baseline	low- p_T^{th}	low- p_T^{th}		
$e\tau_h$	$p_T^{th} > 45 \text{ GeV}$	high- p_T^{th}	high- p_T^{th} high-p_T^{th} boosted	loose VBF tag	tight VBF tag (2012 only)
	baseline	low- p_T^{th}	low- p_T^{th}		
$e\mu$	$p_T^\mu > 35 \text{ GeV}$	high- p_T^μ	high- p_T^μ	loose VBF tag	tight VBF tag (2012 only)
	baseline	low- p_T^μ	low- p_T^μ		
$ee, \mu\mu$	$p_T^l > 35 \text{ GeV}$	high- p_T^l	high- p_T^l		
	baseline	low- p_T^l	low- p_T^l		2-jet
$\tau_h\tau_h$ (8 TeV only)			boosted	highly boosted	VBF tag
	baseline				

Event Categorisation

- ▶ CP measurement done in similar phase spaces as $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ search to retain sensitivity to Higgs signal → Measurement to be performed in several event categories (or with MVA selection)
- ▶ In addition, if the observables have different distributions for different decay modes, each event category may need to be split per $\tau\tau$ decay mode and fitted independently
- ▶ This can easily lead to several signal regions with very signal little yields. Important to **exploit as much $BR(\tau\tau)$ as possible**
- ▶ For the IP- and ρ -methods, classifying events based on **IP significance** and **y_{\pm} magnitude** may improve sensitivity, but this doubles the amount of categories to fit
- ▶ The large number of categories would probably require very **high statistics of simulated** events
 - investigating use of **MC event filters** for both tau decays and event topologies
 - use of **fast simulation** may be beneficial even though not much used yet in analysis with hadronic taus

Tau Trigger

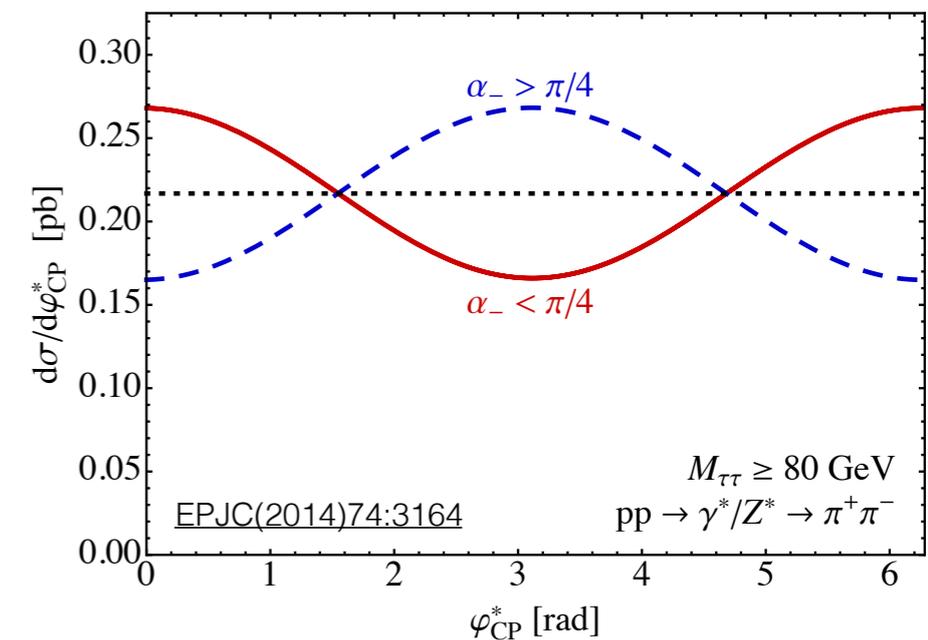
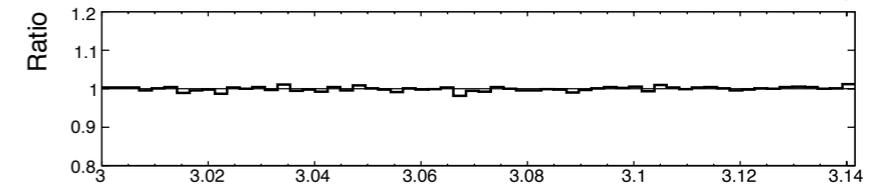
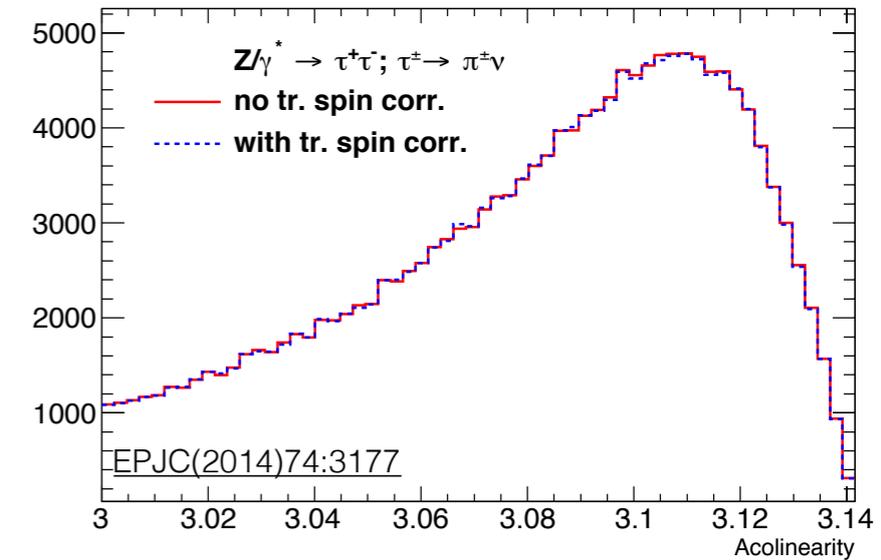
- ▶ For a precise measurement of CP violation in $H\tau\tau$ Yukawa, the full HL-LHC dataset will be needed and high trigger efficiency is required
- ▶ ATLAS and CMS are upgrading their TDAQ systems to cope with higher luminosity and pileup
- ▶ Trigger systems will be more and more reliant on **tracking** rather than calorimeter signatures
- ▶ Development of new hardware for tracking (see ATLAS FTK, L1Track, FTK++) and new tracking detector with improved FE (see CMS new tracker with self-seeding track trigger)
- ▶ More at [DAQ@LHC'16](#)

ATLAS Phase I Scoping Document, [CERN-LHCC-2015-020](#)

Item	Offline p_T Threshold [GeV]	Offline η	L0 Rate [kHz]	L1 Rate [kHz]	EF Rate [kHz]
isolated Single e	22	< 2.5	200	40	2.20
forward e	35	$2.4 - 4.0$	40	8	0.23
single γ	120	< 2.4	66	33	0.27
single μ	20	< 2.4	40	40	2.20
di- γ	25	< 2.4	8	4	0.18
di- e	15	< 2.5	90	10	0.08
di- μ	11	< 2.4	20	20	0.25
$e - \mu$	15	< 2.4	65	10	0.08
single τ	150	< 2.5	20	10	0.13
di- τ	40,30	< 2.5	200	30	0.08
single jet	180	< 3.2	60	30	0.60*
fat jet	375	< 3.2	35	20	0.35*
four-jet	75	< 3.2	50	25	0.50*
H_T	500	< 3.2	60	30	0.60*
E_T^{miss}	200	< 4.9	50	25	0.50*
jet + E_T^{miss}	140,125	< 4.9	60	30	0.30*
forward jet**	180	$3.2 - 4.9$	30	15	0.30*
Total			~ 1000	~ 400	~ 10

$Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$ Background

- ▶ In DY events, effects from transverse spin correlations on ϕ_{CP} -sensitive distributions look negligible ([EPJC\(2014\)74:3177](#)). Is this the case also for $Z+j$ events?
- ▶ Important to compare
 - Sherpa and TAUOLA/TauSpinner in events with same initial state
 - predictions with data enhancing sensitivity to transverse spin correlations with kinematic cuts ([EPJC\(2014\)74:3164](#))



- ▶ $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ data, both in low- $p_T^{\tau\tau}$ regions and in the signal region sidebands (eg $80 < m_{\tau\tau} < 110$ GeV), offers good chance to constrain:
 - theoretical systematic uncertainty on $Z+j$ cross section
 - experimental systematic uncertainty on tau decay mode reconstruction and identification
 - neutral pion momentum and impact parameter resolution
- ▶ Systematics which may be more challenging to control:
 - modelling of transverse spin correlations in $Z+j$ events
 - tau decay mode purity