Recent Results from ATLAS

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W mass talk Thursday noon

CMS + ATLAS Higgs talk tomorrow at 10am

long lived particle review Wednesday morning SUSY & BSM talks Wednesday afternoon Dark Matter on Saturday morning



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ATLAS in run-3

- Collected 142 fb⁻¹ of proton-proton collisions at 13.6 TeV
 - Increased pile-up of μ =53.6 with levelling at 63.
 - Data taking efficiency 94%

Improvements of detector and reconstruction push the physics potential.



Already seven **run-3** physics papers published.



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ATLAS in run-3

- Several reconstruction improvements, e.g.
 - Improvement of EM energy calibration by >2
 - **~0.05%** for Z → e+e-
 - **~0.2%** for E_T(γ) = 60 GeV
 - Flavor tagging performance enhancement with advanced AI/ML techniques
 4x background rejection improvement with graph neural network tagger (GN2) compared to early Run-2
 - Improved understanding of EM reconstruction efficiencies lowering uncertainties by **30-50%**. (arXiv:2308.13362)



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W mass and width

• See talk from Maarten Boonekamp on 4pm today.





Run-3: W / Z production

- First run-3 W/Z measurement, added 13.6 TeV data point.
- Fiducial cross section ratios for precise theory comparison.

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tt/W ratio slightly lower the predicted.

W/Z ratio in good agreement.





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WZ polarization at high p_T

- Measure polarisation fractions of vector bosons.
- V_LV_L shows quadratic sensitivity to new physics in interference regime.
- Previous measurement f₀₀ = (6.71±1)%, not optimised for V_LV_L.
- Chose phase space to maximise contribution from V_LV_L.



from arXiv:1712:01310



Cancellation at Born-level leads to "radiation-zero" (RAZ) dip in angular distribution. Sensitivity enhanced for V_LV_L.

	SM	BSM
$q_{L,R}\bar{q}_{L,R} \to V_L V_L(h)$	~ 1	$\sim E^2/M^2$
$q_{L,R}\bar{q}_{L,R} \to V_{\pm}V_L(h)$	$\sim m_W/E$	$\sim m_W E/M^2$
$q_{L,R}\bar{q}_{L,R} \rightarrow V_{\pm}V_{\pm}$	$\sim m_W^2/E^2$	$\sim E^2/M^2$
$q_{L,R}\bar{q}_{L,R} \to V_{\pm}V_{\mp}$	~ 1	~ 1

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Additional jets dilute cancellation. Restricting $p_{T,VV}$ help to restore the "RAZ".

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WZ polarization at high $\ensuremath{p_{\text{T}}}$

• Observable rapidity difference between l_W and Z: $\Delta Y(l_W, Z)$.



Define depth variable to quantify dip:



in WZ events!

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WZ polarization at high p_T

- Measure polarisation fractions.
- Use boosted decision tree (BDT) to separate longitudinal and transverse polarisation components.
- Improved fraction of f₀₀ over previous analysis
 - inclusive $f_{00} \approx 7\%$ (PLB 843 (2023) 137895)
 - high p_T f₀₀ ≈ 16-17% (this analysis)



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BDT score

	Measurement			Prediction	
	$100 < p_T^Z \le 200 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^Z > 200 \text{ GeV}$		$100 < p_T^Z \le 200 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^Z > 200 \text{ GeV}$
f_{00}	$0.19 \pm_{0.03}^{0.03} (\text{stat}) \pm_{0.02}^{0.02} (\text{syst})$	$0.13 \pm _{0.08}^{0.09} (\text{stat}) \pm _{0.02}^{0.02} (\text{syst})$	$\mid f_{00}$	0.152 ± 0.006	0.234 ± 0.007
f_{0T+T0}	$0.18 \pm_{0.08}^{0.07} (\text{stat}) \pm_{0.06}^{0.05} (\text{syst})$	$0.23 \pm _{0.18}^{0.17} (\text{stat}) \pm _{0.10}^{0.06} (\text{syst})$	$\int f_{0T}$	0.120 ± 0.002	0.062 ± 0.002
f_{TT}	$0.63 \pm_{0.05}^{0.05} (\text{stat}) \pm_{0.04}^{0.04} (\text{syst})$	$0.64 \pm_{0.12}^{0.12} (\text{stat}) \pm_{0.06}^{0.06} (\text{syst})$	$\int f_{T0}$	0.109 ± 0.001	0.058 ± 0.001
f_{00} obs (exp) sig.	5.2 (4.3) σ	1.6 (2.5) σ	$ f_{TT}$	0.619 ± 0.007	0.646 ± 0.008

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VBS: Wy WZjj

- Vector boson scattering probes quartic gauge boson vertex.
- Differential measurements provide powerful probe of SM.
- Effective field theory dim 8 operators can be constrained.
- ATLAS measured all VVjj processes (V=W,Z,γ), focussing on two recent results:



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VBS: Wγ

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- NN trained for EW signal separtion, highest ranking variables:
 - lepton-photon centrality
 - pseudo-rapidity difference of jets
 - Angular distance of jj and lγ system.





- Measured fiducial cross section σ_{EW}=13.2±2.5 fb signal strengt μ_{EW}=1.5±0.5
- Unfolded differential measurement at m_{jj}>1TeV

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VBS: $W\gamma$

 EFT interpretation using the Eboli basis dimension-8 operators:



- Use p_T(jj) and p_T(l) to constrain tensor type (T) and mixed scalar (M) coefficients.
- Added constrains on Wilson coefficients f_{T3} and f_{T4}.



$M_{W\gamma}$ cut-off [TeV]

Cofficients [TeV ⁻⁴]	Observable	$M_{W\gamma}$ cut-off [TeV]	Expected [TeV ⁻⁴]	Observed [TeV ⁻⁴]
f_{T0}/Λ^4	$p_{ m T}^{jj}$	1.4	[-2.5, 2.6]	[-1.9, 1.9]
f_{T1}/Λ^4	$p_{ m T}^{jj}$	1.9	[-1.6, 1.6]	[-1.1, 1.2]
f_{T2}/Λ^4	$p_{ m T}^{jj}$	1.6	[-4.9, 5.3]	[-3.6, 4.0]
f_{T3}/Λ^4	p_{T}^{jj}	1.9	[-3.4, 3.6]	[-2.5, 2.7]
f_{T4}/Λ^4	p_{T}^{jj}	2.2	[-3.1, 3.1]	[-2.2, 2.3]
f_{T5}/Λ^4	p_{T}^{jj}	1.8	[-1.8, 1.8]	[-1.3, 1.3]
f_{T6}/Λ^4	p_{T}^{jj}	2.1	[-1.5, 1.5]	[-1.1, 1.1]
f_{T7}/Λ^4	$p_{_{\mathbf{T}}}^{\hat{j}j}$	2.1	[-4.0, 4.1]	[-2.9, 3.0]



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- **VBS: WZ**
- Measure inclusive, EW, and strong production of WZjj
- Main backgrounds
 - QCD WZ+jj

 $\sim Z$

- ZZ (CR with 4 leptons)
- tt+V (CR with b-jets)







 Adversarial network to distringuish EW and strong production

strong production



VBS: WZ

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- Simultaneous measurements of EW, and strong production of WZjj in bins of m_{jj} and n_{jets}.
- WZjj differential cross sections





VBS: WZ

- EFT limits derived by 2D fit on m^{WZ}_T and BDT.
- First time unitarised limits on S-type operators ($f_{\rm S}$) acting on Higgs doublet.

	Expected [TeV ⁻⁴]	Observed [TeV ⁻⁴]
$f_{ m T0}/\Lambda^4$	[-7.0, 7.0]	[-1.5, 1.6]
$f_{ m T1}/\Lambda^4$	[-1.1, 1.0]	[-0.7, 0.6]
$f_{\mathrm{T2}}/\Lambda^4$	[-12, 6]	[-2.4, 1.8]
$f_{\rm M0}/\Lambda^4$	[-60, 60]	[-12, 12]
$f_{\rm M1}/\Lambda^4$	[-32, 32]	[-15, 15]
$f_{ m M7}/\Lambda^4$	[-30, 30]	[-15, 15]
$f_{\rm S02}/\Lambda^4$	[-41, 41]	[-18, 18]
$f_{\rm S1}/\Lambda^4$	_	



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Sandra Kortner

see also CMS + ATLAS Higgs talk tomorrow at 10am

Higgs Physics

- Moved to precision Higgs physics after discovery at the LHC.
 - Spin, CP
 - Yukawa couplings
 - Higgs self-couplings





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Precision Higgs Physics: top Yukawa couplings

• New precise direct measurement of top Yukawa coupling.



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Improvements in:

- Reconstruction and particle identification.
 - Flavour tagging, particle flow jets.
- Machine learning technique
- Background modelling
 - understanding $t\overline{t} b\overline{b}$ production
- Achieved major improvement of exp. sensitivity from $\textbf{2.7}\sigma$ to $\textbf{5.4}\sigma!$

Classification transformer with SR and CR.



SR and CR in di-lepton channel, post-fit



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- Results • Excess of *tH*(*bb*) events: observed (expected) significance **4.6** (5.4) std dev
 - $\mu_{t\bar{t}H} = 0.81^{+0.22}_{-0.19} = 0.81 \pm 0.11$ (stat.) $^{+0.20}_{-0.16}$ (syst.). • Signal strength:
 - Differential cross section in STXS bins





Precision Higgs Physics: *b* and *c* Yukawa couplings in *HV* production

- New precise direct measurement of **b** and **c** Yukawa couplings.
 - New result re-analysis of VH(bb) and VH(cc) analysis.
 - Cover *V=Z/W*, *l*=e,μ,τ

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Improvements over previous analysis:

- Improved charm tagger.
- Use BDT classifier in boosted topologies.
- Overall improved sensitivities by
 H → bb by 15%
 H → cc by factor 3

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e-print ATLAS-CONF-2024-010 Precision Higgs Physics:

b and *c* Yukawa couplings in *HV* production

- Simultaneous extraction of Yukawa couplings to *b* and *c* quarks.
 - Sensitivities obs. (exp.) : WH(bb) 5.3 (5.5), ZH: 4.9 (5.7) σ
 - VH(cc) upper limits at 95% CL 11.2 (10.4) best observed limits to date
- Also provide
 - differential measurements (STXS)
 - Coupling modifiers in κ–framework





Di-Higgs physics

- Measure self-coupling of Higgs boson with di-Higgs production.
 - Sensitive to shape of Higgs potential
- Extremely rare process, expected production cross section ~33fb.

Higgs

Our

potential

vacuum

- Merged five analyses to achieve the **most sensitive probe** yet of di-Higgs production and the Higgs self-coupling.
- New combination includes multi-lepton and bbll+ET_{miss} decay channels.
- Measured signal strength:

$$\mu_{HH} = 0.5^{+1.2}_{-1.0}$$



Extract upper 95% CL upper limit on HH signal strength

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Di-Higgs physics

- k values in agreement with SM
- HEFT show slight tension with SM (p-value 3.1%).



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Looking for Higgs pair with multi-lepton and $\gamma\gamma$

 Target multiple final states of HH decays in a non-resonant **search** with BDTs combining multi-lepton (ML) and $\gamma\gamma$ signatures.



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Looking for Higgs pair with multi-lepton and $\gamma\gamma$

- ML: cut based categorisation and BDT fit
- $\gamma\gamma$: BDT based categorisation and fit to $m_{\gamma\gamma}$.





Looking for Higgs pair with multi-lepton and $\gamma\gamma$

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 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}, 140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Observed

Expected ($\mu_{HH} = 0$)

Expected ($\mu_{HH} = 1$)

±1σ

±2σ

 Combined result on signal strength μ_{HH} and HH coupling strength κ_{λ} and κ_{2V} .



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tW production

- Single top production in association with a W boson: Updated result with full run-2 data-set.
- Important test of Wtb vertex and complementary to qq'→ tb channel.
- *tW* measured in relatively clean **di-lepton channel**.
- Use BDT

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- Trained for three signal categories (1j1b, 2j,1b, 2j2b).
- Main background $t\overline{t}$ events.



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tW production

- Measured cross section in good agreement with expectation.
 - Systematic limited.
 - Leading systematic uncertainties (13-11%) : $t\bar{t}$ modelling, jet energy scale, missing transverse energy reconstruction.
- Set contraints on $|f_{LV}V_{tb}|$
 - f_{LV} left handed form factor, unity in SM.
 - Measurement consistent with SM.

$$\sigma_{tW} = 75^{+15}_{-14} \text{ pb} = 75 \pm 1 \text{ (stat.)}^{+15}_{-14} \text{ (syst.)} \pm 1 \text{ (lumi.) pb}$$

$$\sigma_{tW}^{\text{theory}} = 79.3_{-1.8}^{+1.9} \text{ (scale)} \pm 2.2 \text{ (PDF) pb.}$$

$$|f_{\rm LV}V_{tb}| = 0.97 \pm 0.10$$



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Quantum entanglement with top quarks

- Measure the **spin correlation** in $t\overline{t}$ system (dilepton channel).
- Entanglement enhances the **spin correlation**.
- Entanglement marker characterises spin-entanglement (**D** < -0.3), with
 <cos φ> the average separation of the two lepton in the *tt* rest-frame.
- Close to threshold 80% of $t\overline{t}$ from spin-singlet state, maximum of entanglement



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Observed entanglement in di-leptonic *tt* events:
 D = -0.547 ± 0.002 (stat.) ± 0.021 (syst.), exp.: D = -0.470 ± 0.002 (stat.) ± 0.018 (syst.)





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long lived particles Wednesday morning Albert de Roeck

SUSY & BSM talks Wednesday afternoon YuyaMino(SUSY),AndreaPerrotta(BSM)

> Dark Matter on Saturday morning Xinhui Huang



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Exotic Higgs searches

- Combination of two searches for singly and doubly charged Higgs bosons within the Georgi-Machacek (GM) model:
 - Predicts neutral, singly and doubly charge Higgs bosons.
 - Fermiophobic charged states, VBF production.
 - **Degenerate mass states**, parameterised by mass $m_{\rm H5}$ and $\sin(\theta_{\rm H})$ mixing parameter.
 - Combination of $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^{\pm}W^{\pm}$ and $H^{\pm} \rightarrow W^{\pm}Z$ Run 2 analyses results

JHEP 04 (2024) 026 H^{±±} Eur. Phys. J. C 83 (2023) 633 H[±]





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Exotic Higgs searches

- Georgi-Machacek exclusion limits
 - Range covered: 200 < m_{H5} < 1500 GeV
 - Excluding $sin(\theta_H) > 0.10 0.36$
 - Excess around m_{H5} = 375 GeV with 2.5 (3.3) sigma global (local) significance.
 - Improved GM limits by 9% -25% comparing to previous ATLAS results.



Higgs as a portal

- Updated search for long lived particles (LLP)
 - Dark sector coupling to Higgs.
 - ALP coupling to vector bosons
 - First time top quark to ALP and u/c quark





 Improves bounds by a factor of 10 - 40 compared to previous search (same dataset) thanks to new tracking algorithms.

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Higgs as a portal

- Use of dedicated and improved tracking algorithm (**Large Radius Tracking**).
 - Runs on all events (previously only on 10%, CPU limited).





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Higgs as a portal

- No LLP's discovered, but bounds improved by factor 10-40 compared to previous result using the same data.
- First time bounds for low
 LLP masses (less than 16
 GeV) surpassed bounds
 from direct searches for
 exotic Higgs-boson decays
 to undetected states^{*}.



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LLP: Displaced leptons run-2+3 analysis

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- LLP flight time can **delay** decay leptons.
- Calorimeter precision timing used to search for LLPs.
- **O(200ps)** resolution for e/γ.
- BDT defines discriminant (exploit timing asymmetry).
 - Train on data with ToF_{cal} < 0, signal ToF_{cal} > 0 to predict scores in ToF_{cal} > 0 data.
 - BDT validated with SM W/Z events.



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LLP: Displaced leptons run-2+3 analysis

Calorimeter timing

Large Radius Tracking

Increased statistics

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 Combined run-2 and run-3 results Improved sensitivities for long-lived particle decays: ~3x for smuons ~5x for selectrons ~3x for staus



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Dark Photons

- Search dark photons promptly decaying into lepton jets.
- Target intermediate mass range O(10MeV)- O(10GeV).
- Signature: Narrow jets of electrons or muons.
- Consider two models:





Dark Photons

- Improvements of run-2 analysis over previous run-1
 - More data (20.3 fb⁻¹ vs 140 fb⁻¹)
 - Extended mass range up to 10 GeV.
 - Better constraint on $B(H \rightarrow 2\gamma_D + X)$ with analytical background description.



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Dark Photons

• No significant deviation from SM expectation observed.

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• 95% CL limits on Higgs decay to dark photons are derived.





• Known resonance regions are masked out (J/ Ψ , ψ (2D), φ (1020), ρ)

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Dark mesons decaying to top and bottom quarks

- First search of this kind at the LHC.
- Simplified
 Stealth Dark
 Matter model
- Search for dark pions π_{D} from dark rhos ρ_{D}
- Decay parametrised with
 - η= m($π_D$) / m($ρ_D$)



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Dark mesons decaying to top and bottom quarks

Hadronic channel



Fit on 9 SR's , defined by leading and sub-leading large-R jet mass



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Dark mesons decaying to top and bottom quarks

- Hadronic channel less sensitive than leptonic channel.
- No excess observed, thus exclusion limits set in the plane $\eta-m(\pi_D)$
- Most stringent limits at LHC todate.



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$t\overline{t}$ production in *p*+Pb

- top quarks probe the nPDF (nuclear parton distribution function).
- Important input for extracting QGP properties from Pb+Pb data.
- Combination of single and di-lepton (new!) channel.







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tt production in *p*+Pb

e-print arXiv:2405.05078

- First observation of *tt* production in di-lepton channel in *p*+Pb.
- Measured combined cross section:

 $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 58.1 \pm 2.0 \text{ (stat.)} ^{+4.8}_{-4.4} \text{ (syst.) nb}$

Nuclear modification:

+0.094-0.087 $R_{pA} = 1.090 \pm 0.039$ (stat.) (syst.)

- Good agreement with SM expectation for different PDFs.
- Limited by systematics.



 $\mu_{r} = 1.00 + 0.11 - 0.10$

 $\mu_{_{\rm ff}} = 1.23 \ _{-0.33}^{+0.31}$

 $\mu_{r} = 1.23^{+0.20}_{-0.17}$

 $\mu_{r} = 1.04 + 0.09 - 0.09$

2.5

-0.06

+0.06

-0.06

+0.19

-0.17

+0.13

-0.12

+0.04

-0.03

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3.5

 $\mu_{t\overline{t}}$



1l1b e+iets

 $1l1b\mu$ +jets

HOH

HÓH

1

1.5

2

1l2bincl e+jets

1l2bincl µ+jets

2l1b

0.5

2l2bincl

Combined



Heavy ion physics: monopoles

- Ultraperipheral (UPC) Pb+Pb collisions provide quasi-real photons, flux scaling with Z²
 - High luminosity photon-photon collider.
- Use UPC to search for magnetic monopole (MM) pair production
 - Occurs in strong magnetic fields via the Schwinger mechanism
 - MM track is parabolic in r-Z and a straight line in r- ϕ , creates high ionisation density.
 - Look for high pixel activity without associated reconstructed tracks.









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Heavy ion physics: monopoles

- Difficult to trigger on MM signature.
- Use Zero Degree Calorimeter to trigger on events with neutrons in both arms of the calorimeter from EM breakup of both Pb.
 - High trigger rate, need to pre-scale by factor 6.



2023 Pb+Pb data-set at sqrt(s_{NN}) = 5.36 TeV, 1.6 nb⁻¹ First ATLAS study using run-3 Pb+Pb data



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- **Observed 3 events**, consistent with background estimate of 4 ± 4 events.
- Better sensitivity compared to recent MoEDAL measurement.
- Excluded magnetic monopoles with mass < 120 GeV



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- Presented a few recent results of ATLAS
 - Corfu 2024 has more detailed talks on ATLAS results (see next slide).
 - Could only select a few of the 126 publications since Corfu 2023.
- Run-2 analysis are wrapping up.
 - Re-visiting data with improvements in analysis techniques.
 - Still a lot to gain from run-2 data.
- First Run-3 analysis results
- ATLAS has achieved great improvements in performance of detector and trigger, reconstruction, and analysis techniques.
- Data taking in full swing, stay tuned.

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Some ATLAS related talks

- <u>12. Recent Higgs results from ATLAS and CMS</u> Sandra Kortner (Max Planck Society (DE)) 27/08/2024, 09:00
- <u>60. W mass measurements and prospects</u> Maarten Boonekamp (Université Paris-Saclay (FR)) 29/08/2024, 12:00
- <u>86. SUSY in ATLAS and CMS</u> Yuya Mino (Kyoto University (JP)) 28/08/2024, 12:30
- <u>93. Dark matter in ATLAS and CMS</u> Xinhui Huang (Chinese Academy of Sciences (CN)) 31/08/2024, 09:00
- <u>97. Exotics and BSM (non SUSY, non DM) in ATLAS and CMS</u> Andrea Perrotta (INFN Bologna) 28/08/2024, 13:00



Events

1800円

1400 - SR^{fid}

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Post-Fit

1600 - √s = 13 TeV, 140 fb⁻¹

EW $W(\rightarrow I\nu)\gamma ii$

Data

EW Wyji

Top Bkg.

Strong Wyjj

Non-prompt⁻

VBS: Wy

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٠ **signal** separtion, highest ranking variables:





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Figure 6: Reduced coupling strength modifiers and their uncertainties per particle type with effective photon, $Z\gamma$ and gluon couplings. The horizontal bars on each point denote the 68% confidence interval. The scenario where $B_{inv.} = B_{u.} = 0$ is assumed is shown as solid lines with circle markers. The *p*-value for compatibility with the SM prediction is 61% in this case. The scenario where $B_{inv.}$ and $B_{u.}$ are allowed to contribute to the total Higgs boson decay width while assuming that $\kappa_V \leq 1$ and $B_{u.} \geq 0$ is shown as dashed lines with square markers. The lower panel shows the 95% CL upper limits on $B_{inv.}$ and $B_{u.}$.

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Quantum entanglement with top quarks

• Map fiducial particle level D values from detector level via Monte Carlo calibration curve.





 $\sqrt{s_{\rm NN}} = 8.16$ TeV

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Source

Jet energy scale

Fake-lepton background

 $t\bar{t}$ generator

Background

Luminosity

W+iets

tī PDF

b-tagging

Muon uncertainties

Electron uncertainties

Jet energy resolution

Systematic uncertainty

MC statistical uncertainties





+4.6

+4.5

+3.1

+3.1

+2.8

+2.3

+2.2

+2.1

+1.8

+1.1

+0.4

+0.1

+8.3

