

The Standard Model is complete, what's next

HDR defense

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The Standard Model

- The Standard Model is complete
	- Well, at least for its particle content
- Impressive agreement with measurements
- What's next?
	- Surprise, surprise, no one knows
	- Measure more precisely (especially Higgs)
	- Find new particles, forces, …

LHC and ATLAS

- LHC: proton-proton collider with a center-of-mass energy up to 14 TeV ○ 40 MHz collision rate
- ATLAS: general purpose detector
	- Optimized to discover the Higgs boson and find new particles in the TeV scale
- As of today the LHC has provided to ATLAS:
	- 12 millions Higgs bosons
	- 180 millions ttbar events
	- 40 billions W bosons and 13 billions Z bosons
	- And A LOT of annoying jets

Overview

LHC Run 1 **Wc production cross section**

Wbb production cross section Inelastic scattering cross section (minimum bias) Search for the Higgs boson in $WH(H\rightarrow bb)$ Tagging b-jets

LHC Run 2 **Search for the Higgs boson in ttH(H→bb)**

ttbb production cross section

Wc cross section measurements

Probing the strange-quark PDF

[JHEP 05 \(2014\) 068](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/JHEP05(2014)068)

Parton Density Functions (PDFs) **⁶**

- All starts with PDFs in high-energy proton-proton collisions
	- Fundamental at LHC
- e.g. main uncertainty in W mass measurements
	- With a non-negligible contribution for the s-quark PDF

Wc: Introduction

- Situation of the s-PDF during LHC run 1
	- Constraints mainly from low energy fixed target experiments
	- \circ s/ \overline{d} ~50% in common PDFs
	- \circ Hints of asymmetry between s and \overline{s} from the NuTeV experiment
- Tension between common PDFs and ATLAS W/Z data

Wc: Analysis strategy

- Opposite sign of the W and the c-quark charge
- Most backgrounds are charge symmetric
	- Remove same-sign (SS) from opposite-sign (OS)
- Obtain very pure Wc contribution
- Access charm-jet charge through soft muon decay ○ Soft-muon tagger to identify the charm jet
- Combine with measurements using D-meson reconstruction to identify the c-quark

Wc: Selection and backgrounds

Typical W+jets selection

- One high pT lepton with missing energy
- \circ At least one jet with pT > 25 GeV
- Exactly one c-tagged jet

OS-SS strategy removes most backgrounds

- Small remaining contribution from multijet, W+jets and Z+jets (muon channel)
- Data driven estimation for all these 3 backgrounds

Wc: Systematic Uncertainties

Dominant uncertainties

- Jet energy scale
- Background yields
- c fragmentation and decay

Large statistical contribution to background uncertainties

○ Due to OS-SS procedure

Fragmentation function/fraction and

 c-hadron semi-muonic decay reweighted to measurements

Wc: Measurement procedure

- Global chi2 fit with uncertainties as nuisance parameters
	- \circ Includes measurements from the W+c-jet and W+D-meson analyses
	- Using the HERAFitter framework
- Individual measurements that contribute to a common cross section are combined
	- e.g. electron and muon channels

Wc: Cross section measurements

- Inclusive cross section compared with different PDFs
	- \circ With aMC@NLO generator (Wc @NLO in QCD)
- PDFs with low strange-to-down sea ratio underestimate the cross section
- Compatible with ATLAS PDF extracted with W/Z data in 2012
- Consistent results between all Wc channels

Wc: Differential cross section measurements **13**

- Cross section as function of the pseudo-rapidity
	- Shape agreement with all PDFs within the uncertainties
	- Main mismodeling comes from normalisation
- Test NLO QCD generator modeling with N_{jets} distribution
	- \circ LO multi-leg generators (Alpgen) describe better the N_{iets} distribution
	- But LO underestimates the inclusive fiducial cross section

Wc: W⁺/W⁻ ratio

- W⁺/W⁻ ratio probes the s/s asymmetry
- Slightly higher W⁻ cross section due to contribution from the d-PDF
- Results comparable with symmetric contribution of s and \overline{s}

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A_{s\overline{s}} = \frac{\langle s(x, Q^2) \rangle - \langle \overline{s}(x, Q^2) \rangle}{\langle s(x, Q^2) \rangle}
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\text{CT10: s-PDF} = \overline{s} - \text{PDF}
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A_{s\overline{s}} \approx R_c^{\pm}(\text{CT10}) - R_c^{\pm}(\text{Data})
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A_{s\overline{s}} = (2 \pm 3)\%
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Wc: PDF compatibility 15

Chi2 fit to estimate the compatibility with different PDFs All compatible within 2 sigma

Wc: Constraints on the strange-PDF

- Strange-to-down PDF ratio modeled as a single parameter in HERA PDF ○ Fit this parameter by removing the corresponding constraints from HERA PDF
- Strange-to-down PDF ratio compatible with one

 10^{-2}

 $0.$

 10^{-3}

 \circ Confirms SU(3) symmetry in the PDF (seen in ATLAS W/Z PDF fits)

 10^{-1}

 $\pmb{\mathsf{X}}$

 10^{-1}

 x

 10^{-2}

Wc: Compatibility with recent measurements **17**

- Recent ATLAS PDF fit confirms enhancement of strange-to-down density
	- However the enhancement is slightly lower than previous ATLAS PDFs
	- Still compatible with the Wc measurement presented above
- Most recent PDFs implement higher strange density fraction
	- With respect to the PDFs we had in LHC run 1

Search for ttH(bb)

Probing the top and bottom Yukawa couplings

[Phys. Rev. D 97 \(2018\) 072016](https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.97.072016)

Higgs coupling at the beginning of Run 2

- Higgs coupling to bosons established in Run 1
- Higgs decay to τ leptons observed
- Run 2 focuses on Higgs coupling to third generation quarks
	- Top Yukawa largest in the Standard Model
	- H→bb decay largest in the Standard Model

ttH(bb): Introduction

- ttH provides a direct way to probe the top yukawa coupling
	- Complementary to loop-induced sensitivity in gg→H and H→γγ
- Small cross section and complex final state
	- Explore all available channels
- $ttH(H\rightarrow bb)$ channel described here
	- Large branching ratio of H→bb
	- However large ttbb background which is hard to model

Analysis with partial Run 2 data (2016) 36.1 fb⁻¹

ttH(bb): Analysis strategy

- Explore different W-boson (from top) decays and topologies
	- Single lepton, dilepton and boosted
- Categorisation based on the number of jets and b-jets
	- Separate ttH, ttbb, ttcc, and tt+light contributions in different regions
- Extensive use of MVA for signal reconstruction and background separation

ttH(bb): Categorisation

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- Categorize jets based on b-tagging probability
	- b-tagging discriminant index for each jet
- Categorise events based on b-jets index
	- Regions with different tt+jets composition
	- Constrain tt+l-jets, tt+c-jets, and tt+b-jets
- Signal regions dominated by ttbb background
	- \circ Low $S/B \cdot \sim 5\%$
	- Extensive usage of MVAs needed

ttH(bb): Signal reconstruction

- 4 b-jets in the event
	- Solve combinatorics to reconstruct the Higgs boson
- BDT used to find the correct jet matching
- Correct Higgs combination:
	- 30% if Higgs decay product not used in the training
	- 50% if Higgs information used
- Reconstruction BDT output has large separation power with ttbb background
	- Likelihood and MEM discriminants in some regions to further increase separation

Reconstruction BDT output (w/ Higgs info)

ttH(bb): Signal/background separation

Final classification BDT used for discrimination

 \circ Including reconstruction variables + global variables

ttbb: Modeling

- Important ttbb mismodeling observed in previous searches and ATLAS measurements
	- Consistent underestimation of ttbb for different MC generators
- Complex ttbb model to combine the advantages of different ttbb computations
	- 4 flavor scheme (4F) allows "better" description of ttbb process (massive b quarks)
	- \circ 5 flavour scheme (5F) allows a complete description of tt+jets
	- Split ttbb in several sub-components and reweight 5F to 4F
	- Include a list of systematics uncertainties on each components by comparing several generators

ttH(bb): Results

- Profile likelihood fit in 9 signal regions and 10 control regions
- No significant excess found but results compatible with the SM
- Tremendous effort to understand the modeling of tt+jets in the fit
	- Results completely dominated by systematic uncertainties

ttH(bb): Systematic uncertainties

Paranoia-based ttbb uncertainties

- Comparing every possible computation on the market
- Large statistical component in these systematics

ttbb systematics completely dominates the sensitivity

Everything else negligible

Dominated by 4.5 flavour systematics But we avoided pythia7 systematics Pythia7 systematics: compare Pythia6 and Pythia8*

*Timothée T.P.: Private communication

ttH: Combination and discovery

Combination of all ttH channels

- Discovery of the ttH process in 2017
- Lead by the purity of the ttH($\gamma\gamma$) channel

All channels compatible with SM predictions

ttH(bb) competitive (a) 36fb⁻¹ ttH(γγ) takes over at higher lumi ttH(bb) still interesting for differential measurements

Analysis	Integrated	Obs.	Exp.	Exp.
	luminosity $[fb^{-1}]$	sign.	sign.	(a) 36.1fb ⁻¹
$H\to \gamma\gamma$	79.8		4.1σ 3.7σ	1.7σ
$H \rightarrow$ multilepton	36.1	4.1σ	2.8σ	
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	36.1	1.4σ	1.6σ	
$H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$	79.8	0σ	1.2σ	0.6σ
Combined (13 TeV)	$36.1 - 79.8$	5.8 σ	4.9σ	3.8σ

$H\rightarrow bb$: Combination and discovery

Combination of all H \rightarrow bb channels with partial Run 2 data

- Discovery of H→bb in 2017
- \circ Small contribution from the ttH(bb) channel

Higgs couplings after Run 2

- ATLAS run 2 results
	- Legacy measurements and combination with CMS yet to come
- Couplings to bosons and τ -leptons: \circ < 10%
- Coupling to third generation quarks: \circ O(10%)
- Couplings to muons and $Z\gamma$ \circ O(30%)
- Invisible and undetected modes excluded to $O(10\%)$ level
- 61% compatibility with SM
	- \circ If B_{inv} and B_{u} set to zero
	- It looks like a SM Higgs, it couples like a SM Higgs, … Well there is still self coupling

Upgrade of the Liquid Argon Calorimeter

Probing the future

[JINST 17 \(2022\) P05024](https://doi.org/10.1088/1748-0221/17/05/P05024)

The Liquid Argon calorimeter (LAr)

 -0.2

 Ω

100

200

300

400

500

Time (ns)

600

Towards the HL-LHC

- It seems that new physics is hiding and we do not have enough Higgs bosons
	- So everyone (almost) wants more data
	- \circ Lets increase the luminosity \rightarrow increased pileup
- Phase-I upgrade of LAr:
	- Maintain trigger performance with higher pileup
	- Replace the trigger path electronics
- Phase-II upgrade of LAr:
	- Move to 1 MHz readout (100 kHz before HL-LHC)
	- Replace the full readout electronics

Phase-I upgrade of the LAr calorimeter

- Coarser granularity at trigger level ○ To handle large bandwidth at 40 MHz
- Digital trigger increases the granularity by factor 10
	- Access to longitudinal shower shape
- Shower shape variables increase background rejection
	- Maintain trigger thresholds and rates with higher pileup

Digital Trigger electronics **³⁵**

New firmware, online software, detector control system, offline software, and data analysis

Commissioning of the Digital Trigger system **³⁶**

4 years of work and fun (and COVID)

And after all this hard work

- Digital trigger system ready for the first LHC run 3 data
- Detector timing adjusted starting the first beam splash events
- Energy computation compared to well calibrated main readout system
	- Prepared with calibration data
	- Refined with collisions

Performance of the Digital Trigger system

- Digital trigger outperform the legacy trigger for egamma objects
	- Higher efficiency at lower energy
	- Stable efficiency with increased pileup
- Switched to new egamma trigger objects in 2023
	- The rest of the trigger objects will follow in 2024

And now a bit of the Phase-II upgrade

Probing new ideas

[Comput Softw Big Sci](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s41781-021-00066-y) **5**, 19 (2021)

JINST 18 [\(2023\) P05017](https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1748-0221/18/05/P05017)

[Etienne Fortin, PhD thesis \(2022\)](https://cds.cern.ch/record/2834273?ln=en)

[Lauri Laatu, PhD thesis \(2023\)](https://cds.cern.ch/record/2875588?ln=en)

[Nemer Chiedde, PhD thesis \(2023\)](https://cds.cern.ch/record/2884186?ln=en)

Phase-II Upgrade electronics **⁴⁰**

Phase-I digital trigger system remains operational for Phase-II

Energy reconstruction at the HL-LHC

Neural network architecture

Performance as function to time gap

- Dramatic degradation of performance when pulses overlap (out-of-time pileup)
	- \circ Time gap of less than \sim 20 BC
- Neural networks recover the performance
	- Better performance with increased sequence length to cover past events

Overlapping signals region

Vanilla RNN LSTM

RNN optimisations

RNN performance (summary)

- Small RNNs (sequence length 5) can outperform OFMax overall
	- But not in all regions
	- Larger networks needed
- Several optimisation carried out to improve the performance
	- Keeping the network suitable for FPGA processing

Firmware implementation

- Small RNN implemented on Stratix 10 FPGAs Smaller FPGA on a LASP demonstrator board
	- Larger RNN to be implemented on AGILEX FPGAs
- Challenges:
	- 384 channels per FPGA, 125 ns latency
- Optimisations carried out in HLS and VHDL
	- Multiplexing: Reuse of same logic for several channels
	- Quantisation of mathematical operations
	- Architecture of matrix multiplications
- Demonstrated feasibility of running RNNs on the LASP
	- Firmware fits all requirements and tested on the hardware

*based on experience with the phase-I upgrade

LASP demonstrator board

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Conclusion(s)

Probing questions

Conclusion

● Wc analysis

- PDFs are important at the LHC (surprise surprise)
- Wc analysis can directly probe the badely constrained s-PDF
- \circ ATLAS data compatible with light-sea quark PDF SU(3) symmetry

\bullet ttH(bb) analysis

- Coupling to third generation quarks established in run 2
- \circ ttH(bb) had a (small) contribution to both ttH and H \rightarrow bb discovery
- Complex channel with large systematic uncertainties from ttbb background
- CMS did better (but they forgot few systematics ;-))

• Phase-I upgrade of LAr

- The new digital trigger system was painfly born (but it was a lot of fun)
- New system outperform the legacy trigger and is more resilient to pileup

• Phase-II upgrade of LAr

- Finding new ideas to heat-up the new backend board that is designed at CPPM
- Neural networks can improve the energy reconstruction in high pileup conditions
- First neural networks implemented in hardware and fit the specifications
- Yet to be proven in more realistic (physics) conditions

Backup

Wc: PDF contributions to Wc process 50

Table 2: Fractional composition according to incoming parton flavours for $W+c$ production in the 1 and 2 jets bins. The number are extracted from the signal sample generated using Alpgen $W+c+Np$ with Cteq6ll as input PDF.

Wc: Background estimation electron channel

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N_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{OS-SS}} = A_{\text{bkg}} \cdot N_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{OS+SS}} = \frac{2 \cdot A_{\text{bkg}}}{1 - A_{\text{bkg}}} N_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{SS}} \quad \text{and} \quad A_{\text{bkg}} = N_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{OS-SS}} / N_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{OS+SS}}
$$

- **Multijet Asymmetry**
	- Fraction fit to the MET distribution in OS and SS
- W+jets Asymmetry
	- MC corrected by a data driven factor
	- Extracted from the asymmetry of all tracks in the jet (pretag regions)
- **Normalisation**
	- Multijet and W+jets normalised in the SS region with a chi2 fit

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A_{W+\text{light}} = A_{W+\text{light}}^{\text{MC}} \frac{A_{W+\text{light}}^{\text{data, tracks}}}{A_{W+\text{light}}^{\text{MC, tracks}}}
$$

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Wc: Background estimation muon channel

m(W-decay μ , soft μ) [GeV]

Wc: Correlations between W^+ and W^- 53

Wc: c fragmentation and decay reweighting 54

Wc: W⁺/W⁻ compatibility with recent results

- Recent Wc measurement (13 TeV) compatible with PDFs with s/\overline{s} symmetry
- Hard to compare exactly with 7 TeV measurement
	- Not the same centre-of-mass energy to compare directly the results
	- Not the same PDF sets used to compare with simulations

ttH(bb): ttbar systematics **⁵⁶**

ttH(bb): Combination **⁵⁷**

Strategy Comparison

- Comparing at S and S/B in the best regions (in I+jets, 6jets)
- Best region:
	- ATLAS* $S=143$, $S/B=3.9%$
	- \cdot CMS : S=142, S/B=2.8%
- · Second best region:
	- ATLAS: $S=85$, $S/B=2.1\%$
	- \cdot CMS : S=53, S/B=1.2%
- CMS "SR" are much less pure in ttb compared to ATLAS

 CMC Lists C ists

ATLAS L+jets, 6 jets

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MVA Comparison

• Check MVA separation in best regions

- SR1+SR2 for ATLAS
- 16 bins from both CMS and ATLAS
- Very hard to check by eye
	- Alternatively check purity in last bin
- It seems that ATLAS separation is larger
	- But maybe CMS signal events are distributed differently

CMS Preliminary 35.9 fb^{-1} (13 TeV) ,,,,,,,,,,,,, Events / Bin SL (≥6 jets, ≥3 b-tags) tfH node **Pre-fit expectation** $10⁴$ $H + c\overline{c}$ $t\bar{t}$ +2b Single t \Box _{tf+V} $10³$ **Dibosor** $10²$ 10 Data / Pred. 1.5 0_f 0.8 **NN** discriminant $S/B = 25\%, S = 2.5$ $S/B = 25\%$, S=12.5 Disclaimer: Numbers are checked by eye

ttbar syst legend

- CMS has it \mathbf{z}
- CMS partially has it
- CMS does not have it

- But is it true that CMS modeling prefit is great?
- Why the systematic increase (decrease) of ttcc/b (tt+lf) yields?
- . What are the pulls that decrease tt+If?
- Are ttcc/b yields used to correct the shapes?
	- . We have seen this several times in our fits

ttb norm factors (at least the two appearing in the plot) are pulled down Opposite direction to the 50% yields change

CMS answer was that it is b-tagging that pulls back up the yeilds

However they do not see this as a problem

As suspected it seems that they are using heavily the ttbar yields to correct the shapes Then use detector syst to corrected back the yields

A correlation plot would help

Syst legend

- ttbar norm only
- ttbar norm but can affect njets shape
- ttbar norm+shape (can affect MVA shape)
- btagging
- JES/JER

LASP Firmware

- LASP board containing 2 processing units based on INTEL FPGAs
	- Demonstrator board available with stratix 10 FPGAs
	- Final board will be equipped with Agilex FPGAs
- One FPGA should process 384 channels
	- About 125 ns allocated latency for energy computation

Buffering waiting for L1A Could be used to refine energy computation with less stringent latency requirements

Compute energy at 40 MHz Assign the energy to the correct bunch crossing (collision time)

Simulated LAr pulse chain

Single cell pulse sequence

- Using measured pulse shape
- Minimum bias data with a specific pileup
- Overlay regular high energy pulses with variable gap

RNN Performance vs RNN Cell Type

- Checking performance of Vanilla-RNN, GRU and LSTM
	- Increased NN size by increasing sequence length and number of units
- Network size probed by number of multiplications (MAC units)
	- Dashed lines in the plots
- Vanilla-RNN can reach the same performance of GRU and LSTM with much less required MACs
	- Best adapted to fit in FPGAs

RNN Performance

- Compare energy resolution between RNNs and OFMax
	- RNNs with increased size
	- Keep size under control to fit FPGAs
- Second peak in resolution due to overlapping events
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RNN Quantization

- RNNs need quantization to fit on FPGAs
	- Full floating point arithmetics takes a lot of FPGA resources
	- Need to use fixed points representations with small number of bits
- Quantize weights post training (PTQ)
	- Reduced resolution due to truncation/rounding
	- Can reach float precision with 16 bits
- Quantized Aware Training (using qKeras)
	- Optimize weights that are already quantized
	- Can reach float precision with 8 bits
- Stratix 10 considerations
	- One floating point multiplication per DSP
	- Two fixed point multiplication with 18x19 bits
- Agilex considerations
	- Additional DSP mode with four 9x9 bits multiplications
- Reduced number of bits allow to use more multiplications
	- Also matters for additions and timing closer

HLS optimisations

- Optimisation needed to fit RNNs within resource and latency limitations
	- Impossible to fit 384 NNs in the FPGAs, need to serialize (time multiplexing)
	- Need to go to high frequency

Several optimisations are performed

- Activation functions in LUT (only for LSTM)
- Number of bits in fixed point representation (18x19 to match Stratix 10 DSP)
- Rounding and truncation in arithmetic operations
- Implementation of vector/matrix multiplication (Dot product)

Dot product implementations

- Naive C++: let HLS do it all
- ACC37: accumulate (sum) in DSPs by chaining them
- ACC19: ACC in ALUT

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A.B = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_8 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_8 \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=0}^7 a_i.b_i
$$

 L_2 1 L_1 1

Rounding vs Truncation

- Compromise between resolution and resource usage and latency
	- Truncation of IO and Internal types leads to important reduction of latency with small impact on energy resolution
	- Weight type rounded in software
		- No impact on latency
- Use truncation in the firmware
	- Will become less relevant with QAT

VHDL implementation of Vanilla RNN

- HLS does not allow to reach the target frequency and resource usage
	- Increase of the RNN ALM resources and reduction of FMax as we add networks to the FPGA
- Move to VHDL for the final fine tuning
- Force placement of the RNN components
	- Allow to better tackle timing violations and improve FMax
- Use incremental compilation
	- Keep networks with no timing violations and recompile only the rest

HLS placement

VHDL forced placement

Optimized placement of RNN cells

First cells in the middle and connected to all cells (common computations done only in first cell and propagated to the others

Dense layer next to last cell
Testing on hardware

- VHDL implementation tested on Startix 10 DevKit
- Test firmware to inject input and weights and collect the output is built
	- Data extraction using a JTAG-UART connection with a NIOS
- Data match firmware simulation bit-by-bit
- Firmware resolution $\leq 0.1\%$ as expected from simulation

Events

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RMS: 0.5 MeV Mean: -1.3 MeV

 $E_{\tau}^{keras} > 0.24$ GeV