# Progress in Jet substructure at the LHC

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# Selected results from ATLAS at the LHC

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Data - Background







Pure spin 2 excluded at > 99.9%





# High p<sub>T</sub> Higgs and Vector Boson

- By requiring that the Higgs and Vector Boson have a high transverse momentum, we lose a factor of ~20 in cross section
  - However, much of this would have failed other analysis cuts anyway
  - Background cross sections fall by a bigger factor (typically t-channel not schannel)
- W/Z and H are all central
  - Better b-tagging, better jet resolution
- W/Z and H decay products collimated
  - Simpler topology, fewer combinatorials
  - Difficult for tops to fake this
- $Z \rightarrow$  neutrinos becomes visible
  - High missing  $E_T$
- JMB, Davison, Rubin, Salam, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 242001 (2008)



# Sub-jet analysis

- 1. Start with Higgs candidate jet (highest  $p_T$  jet in acceptance) with mass m)
- 2. Undo last stage of clustering (reduce radius to  $R_{12}$ )

 $J \twoheadrightarrow J_1, J_2$ 

3. If  $max(m_1, m_2) < 2m/3$ 

Else, go back to 2

4. Require Y<sub>12</sub> > 0.09

Dimensionless rejection of asymmetric QCD splitting Else reject the event

5. Require  $J_1$ ,  $J_2$  to each contain a b-tag



Call this a "mass drop". This fixes the optimal radius for reconstructing the Higgs decay. Keep the jet J and call it the Higgs candidate.

# Sub-jet analysis

6. Define  $R_{filt} = min(0.3, R_{bb}/2)$ 

Make use event-by-event of the known Higgs decay radius

Angular ordering means this is the characteristic radius of QCD radiation from Higgs products

Stuff outside of this is likely to be underlying event and pileup.

- 7. Recluster, with Cambridge/Aachen,  $R = R_{filt}$
- Take the 3 hardest subjets and combine to be the Higgs
  b, anti-b and leading order final state gluon radiation















# **Analysis Overview**

- Consider three cases
  - HZ, Z → ee, μμ
  - HZ, Z → vv
  - HW, W $\rightarrow$  e/ $\mu$  +  $\nu$
- Three non-overlapping selections
  - I + missing E<sub>T</sub> + jet ("Leptonic W case")
  - I<sup>+</sup> I<sup>-</sup> + jet ("Leptonic Z case")
  - Missing  $E_T$  + jet ("**Z**  $\rightarrow$  neutrinos case")
- Common cuts
  - $p_T$  Higgs candidate > 200 GeV,  $p_T$  VB candidate > 200 GeV
  - $|\eta| < 2.5$  (Higgs candidate and leptons)
  - $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 2.5 \text{ (leptons)}$
  - No extra b jet ( $p_T$  >30 GeV,  $|\eta|$  < 2.5 ) or lepton passing these cuts.

## **Individual Channels**



## Combined particle-level result



- Note excellent Z peak for calibration
- 5.9 σ; potentially very competitive
- bb branching information critical for extracting Higgs properties

*"Measuring the Higgs sector" Lafaye, Plehn, Rauch, D.Zerwas, Duhrssen, arXiv: 0904.3866 [hep-ph]* 

Studies with full simulation supported this.



## **Fully simulated detector**

- Included trigger, real ATLAS b-tagging algorithm, detailed tracking & calorimeter
- Also include Wt background omitted from initial study.
- Also included study of Wbb ME vs Wg->Wbb
- Slight degradation w.r.t particle level, but still very promising



# Higgs and top together

- Combine techniques for top and Higgs tagging to improve sensitivity to Higgs in ttH channel
  - Plehn, Salam, Spannowsky arXiv: 0910.5472 [hep-ph]
- Also use Higgs techniques in new physics events
  - Kribs, Martin, Roy, Spannowsky arXiv: 0912.4731 [hep-ph]



FIG. 3: Reconstructed bottom-pair mass  $m_{bb}^{\text{rec}}$  for signal  $(m_H = 120 \text{ GeV})$  and backgrounds without (upper) and including (lower) underlying event. The distributions shown include three *b* tags.

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   Significant spread in "NLO" predictions. ME/PS matching? MC tune (UE)? PDFs?



## Jets as a probe of the proton



arXiv:1304.4739

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experimental

uncertainty)



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## Jets as a probe of the proton

- Illustrative fit to HERA and ATLAS data
- Valence quarks heavily constrained by HERA
- High x gluon and sea quarks modified by addition of ATLAS data





## Vector bosons and (b) jets



## **Jet properties**

- Final stage of jet structure is "soft" non-perturbative QCD.
  - Formation of hadrons from gluons, 100 MeV energy scales ( $\Lambda_{QCD}$ )
- Vast phase space between quark-gluon scatter (100's GeV, few TeV) and  $\Lambda_{\rm QCD}$
- Most of jet substructure can be analysed perturbatively
- EWSB scale (~100 GeV) lies in this region
  - Jets may contain objects with EW-scale mass (W,Z,H,t,?)

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• k<sub>T</sub> scale, N-subjettiness





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# Substructure in searches (boosted top, boosted W)



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## **Shower deconstruction**



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## **Substructure in searches**



## ... also

- Jet shapes, Q-jets, jet charge, jet pull, jet superstructure...
- Moving on from the "two goals" (tagging & grooming) to finding still more information; identifying jet properties in context, learning more about the short-distance physics.

## Subjets and measuring boosted objects

- Gone from wacky new idea to obviously essential item in the toolkit (~5 years)
- Studies with data show:
  - modelling is adequate but can be improved in some cases
  - Grooming is robust against pile up and important for controlling it in all jet measurements
- Not seen full potential yet in Higgs searches (cf 14 TeV)

## Subjets and measuring boosted objects

- Already widely used in searches (mainly boosted tops, but results on H, W/Z coming)
- Calibration work on of novel observables is intense & interesting
- Theoretical work on developing (analytic?) understanding
  - Active ATLAS subgroup, open workshop @CERN 25<sup>th</sup> March (Lily Asquith, Emily Thomson, )
  - Boost meetings 2009 Stanford 2010 Oxford 2011 Princeton 2012 Valencia 2013 Arizona 2014 UCL

### "Looking and not finding is not the same as not looking!"

— Hiranya Peiris, Cosmologist

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