# Higgs searches in TauTau final states @ LHC

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# Motivations



- Why looking at H->TauTau?
  - □ second highest BR (after bb)
  - not-so-bad S/B ratio
    - improved S/B splitting analysis in various categories
  - □ one of the most powerful channel in the low mass region
  - □ sensitive to BSM physics







TauTau final states



#### ATLAS presented only SM search CMS also produced a MSSM limit



## **CMS Tau ID**



- Reconstruction of the decay modes :
  - □ 1 prong, 1 prong + pi0's, 3 prongs
- Various working points for isolation



additional selections to reject electrons and muons





# ATLAS Tau ID



(a)  $\tau_{\mu}\tau_{h}$  channel

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Signal Efficiency

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# Tau energy scale



One Prong EM | One Prong | 3 Prong

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### Analysis: CMS Vs ATLAS



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- better tau ID
  - better bkg rejection
- MET used only in topological variable and mass reconstruction
- 1 jet bin with very high pT threshold
- Full mass
   reconstruction with the same algorithm for all final states
- □ Limit also in the MSSM

### □ ATLAS

- □ better calorimeter trigger
  - making tau\_h tau\_h possible
  - □ MET used to reduce QCD
    - □ and in category definition
  - 1 jet bin with low-ish pT threshold
  - Full mass reconstruction algorithm depends on the final state
  - full hadronic final state included



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- three categories to have enriched signal-tobackground ratio and maximize the sensitivity
  - □ Signal extraction based on fit to the full reconstructed mass



highest Jet P\_ [GeV]



#### Categorization depends on the final state

- Signal extraction based on fit to the full reconstructed (MMC or collinear approximation) or effective mass
- □ Missing ET cut used in the event selections

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VBF\* ,VH( 2jets), (0 jet only for e-mu), 1jet (pT >40 GeV) Collinear approx is used to reconstruct the full mass (Effective mass in the H+0 jets)

I+tau VBF\*, 0 jet, 1jet (pT >25 GeV) 0 jet category is split into MET <20 and MET > 20 GeV MMC is used to reconstruct the full mass \* Also the VBF selection depends on the final state. pT > 30-25 GeV Mjj>300-350 GeV DeltaEtajj > 3, eta\_j1 \* eta\_j2 > 0

tau+tau 1jet (pT >40 GeV) Collinear approx is used to reconstruct the full mass





#### At least the normalization mostly also the shape of all backgrounds are estimated from data in one or the other way







m<sub>rt</sub> [GeV]



# Few ATLAS Plots



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## Few numbers



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$m_{\rm LL} = 120  {\rm GeV}$	2			
	Standard Model			
Process	0/1-Jet	Boost	VBF	
$Z \rightarrow \tau \tau$	$28115 \pm 1946$	$294 \pm 21$	$35 \pm 2$	
Fakes	$7852 \pm 141$	$36 \pm 2$	$23 \pm 2$	
W+jets	$5834 \pm 393$	$65 \pm 4$	9 ± 1	
$Z \rightarrow ll$	$755 \pm 95$	$5\pm1$	$1.0 \pm 0.2$	
tī	$143 \pm 15$	91 ± 12	$4\pm1$	
Di-Boson	$173 \pm 54$	$9\pm4$	$0.4 \pm 0.4$	
Total Background	$42872 \pm 2644$	$500 \pm 46$	71 ± 7	
H  ightarrow  au  au	93 ± 16	$6.7 \pm 1.6$	$3 \pm 0.5$	
Data	43612	500	76	

Samples	0-Jet	1-Jet	VBF
$Z \to \tau \tau$	10710	1870	57
Total Background	14610	2790	122
$H \to \tau \tau$	28	14.1	< 3
Data	14481	2711	131

### □ ATLAS

🗆 mu-tau



- **Overall normalization uncertainty**
- □ theoretical
- □ sample normalization from control regions
- □ luminosity uncertainty
- Detector-related uncertainties
  - □ jet, MET and tau ES
  - □ data/MC scaling factors
- Shape systematics have been considered through a morphing technique













# **Again on limits**





### **MSSM** case



bTagging # Jets (pT > 30 GeV) < 2 AND # btagged jets (pT > 20 GeV) > 0









# **MSSM case**



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500

600

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m<sub>H</sub> [GeV]



Observed



## Low mass region



#### ATLAS:

- <u>expected</u>: **120**—... GeV,
- observed: 129.0–... GeV

110.0-117.5 GeV

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118.5-122.5 GeV

#### CMS:

- expected: 114.5–... GeV
- observed: 127.5-... GeV

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# local p-values

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# Conclusions



- □ H->TauTau analyses from ATLAS and CMS give comparable results
  - □ I+tau CMS analysis have better limit
  - □ ATLAS recovers with the full hadronic channel
    - □ challenging for CMS
  - □ CMS presented also the MSSM limit
- Present limit is around 2.5-3xSM
- On the combination side:
  - □ CMS excludes an Higgs with mass larger than 127 GeV
  - □ ATLAS excludes an Higgs with mass lower than ~ 122 GeV
    - □ if we do not consider the region between 117.5 and 118.5 GeV
- Expecting to have updates for ICHEP from both experiments

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# **Few worlds on the boosted category** Large theoretical uncertainty

- □ the jet pT cut is near the Higgs mass
  - uncertainty computed using NNLO codes
    - □ FeHiPro and HQT
  - □ Higgs pT rescaling factors
  - □ total uncertainty ~ 25%

### Much better mass resolution

- □ boosted taus, hence better MET reconstruction
- □ improving Z-H separation in the low mass region
- Still room for improvement







# Tau ID efficiency



#### Improved tau ID using Tag & Probe

BKG constrained from sidebands

Uncertainty's source	
Muon Momentum Scale	<< 1%
τ-Jet Energy Scale	< 1%
Track Reconstruction	3.9%
Track Momentum Scale	< 1%
Lead. Track P <sub>T</sub> Cut	1%
Loose Isolation	2.5%
Jet $\rightarrow \tau_{had}$ Fakes	1.2%
Lead. Track Corr. Factor	1.7%
Loose Iso. Corr. Factor	2.1%
Fit (Statistical Uncertainty)	2.6%
Total uncertainty	6%

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### MSSM

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- Various methods are now available on the market
  - all of them uses constraints from the measurement of the MET
- New techniques makes use of likelihood functions to optimize the reconstruction
  - Most advanced techniques
    - □ Missing Mass Calculator (MMC) by Elagin et al.
      - http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0168900211014112
    - □ Secondary Vertex Fit (SVFIT) by Conway et al.







#### CMS is using SVFIT algorithm

- optimized to work with large PU environment
- □ similar to the MMC method
- tails are reduced due to the use of a Log(Minv) term in the likelihood function
- □ Invariant mass resolution improves
- □ the peak value is nearer to the generated one
  - hence better discrimination between Higgs and Z->TauTau
- Not resonant bkg are flattened improving further the signal to background ratio









### Used to distinguish between W's and signal events



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- □ Categorization improves the limit by more than a factor 3
- mu-tau channel is the most sensitive one

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### **Mass distributions**



#### Provides the best mass reconstruction hence better separation between Z and H

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## **Uncertainties table**

Experimental Uncertainties Propagated		ed to Limi	d to Limit Calculation			
Uncertainty	Estimate	0/1-Jet	Boost	VBF	Non B-Tag	B-Tag
Electron ID & Trigger	±2%	±2%	±2%	±2%	±2%	±2%
Muon ID & Trigger	±2%	±2%	±2%	±2%	±2%	±2%
JES (Norm.)	$\pm 2.5 - 5\%$	∓1%	±2%	±12.5%	∓1%	$\pm 4\%$
b-Tag Efficiency	±10%	-	-	-	∓1%	$\pm 5\%$
Mis-Tagging	±30%	-	1.00	-	±4%	∓1%
Norm. $Z \rightarrow \tau \tau$	±3.3%	$\pm 3.3\%$	±10%	$\pm 15\%$	±3.3%	$\pm 15\%$
Norm. <i>t</i> t	$\pm 7.5\%$	$\pm 7.5\%$	±7.5%	$\pm 7.5\%$	±7.5%	$\pm 7.5\%$
Norm EWK	±15%	±15%	±15%	±15%	±15%	$\pm 15\%$
Norm Fakes	±30%	±30%	±30%	±30%	±30%	±30%
Lumi (Signal & EWK)	$\pm 4.5\%$	$\pm 4.5\%$	$\pm 4.5\%$	$\pm 4.5\%$	$\pm 4.5\%$	$\pm 4.5\%$
Norm. $W + jets$	$\pm 6.5 - 7\%$	±7%	±7%	±7%	$\pm 6.5\%$	$\pm 6.5\%$
Norm. Z: $l$ fakes $\tau_h$	$\pm 8.6 - 60\%$	±10.1%	$\pm 8.8\%$	±31.4%	$\pm 24.5\%$	$\pm 62.7\%$
Norm. Z: jet fakes $\tau_h$	$\pm 24.6\%$	±10.2%	-	1 H	±10.6%	

Theory Uncertainties (SM)		Propagated to Limit Calculation				
Uncertainty	Estimate	0/1-Jet	Boost	VBF	Non B-Tag	B-Tag
PDF	30	±3%	±3%	±3%	$\langle \rangle$ -	π.
$\mu_r/\mu_f(gg \to H)$	2. <del>-</del> 1	±12%	±25%	±12%	/ f	-
$\mu_r/\mu_f(qq \to H)$	1	±3.5%	±4%	±4%	/-/	-
Underlying event & PS	11 <b>-</b> 1	∓4%	±4%	±4%	$\langle \rangle$	<u> </u>

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### Main differences in the I+tau channel

### Larger acceptance for CMS

- □ lower lepton thresholds thanks to combined triggers
  - □ steep exponential falling distribution
- □ no MET cut applied

### Better tau ES uncertainty for CMS

- □ less systematics
  - □ ATLAS MET cut is very sensitive to the tau ES uncertainty