



Measurements of ggF and VBF of the Higgs boson in $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow ev\mu v$ decays using $p \ p$ collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV with the ATLAS detector

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SIGNAL, BACKGROUNDS AND DATA

Signal

- ggF associated with 0 jet, 1 jet and ≥2 jet
- VBF associated with ≥2 jet

Data •Full Run-2 Data •139 fb⁻¹ Luminosity

Backgrounds

- Standard
 - Model WW-
- **††** + W†
- Z/γ +jets

•VH signal

- •W+jets
- Vγ
- Lepton Estimation • W Z $/_{\gamma^*}$, Z Z \longrightarrow Estimated from MC
 - - Fixed to SM predictions

Dedicated CRs

Data-Driven

Fake factor method

for Mis-identified





- Events with one or more mis-identified, or "fake", leptons, primarily from W+jets events.
- Not modelled reliably by simulation; estimated with a datadriven method.







Category	$N_{\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>30 \text{ GeV})} = 0 \text{ ggF}$	$N_{\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>30 \text{ GeV})} = 1 \text{ ggF}$	$N_{\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>30 \text{ GeV})} \ge 2 \text{ ggF}$	$N_{\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>30 \text{ GeV})} \ge 2 \text{ VBF}$		
	Two isolated, different-flavour leptons ($\ell = e, \mu$) with opposite charge					
Preselection	$p_{\rm T}^{\rm lead} > 22 \text{ GeV}$, $p_{\rm T}^{\rm sublead} > 15 \text{ GeV}$					
Treservetton	$m_{\ell\ell} > 10 \text{ GeV}$					
	$N_{b-\text{jet},(p_{\mathrm{T}}>20 \text{ GeV})} = 0$					
Background rejection	$\Delta \phi_{\ell\ell,E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}} > \pi/2$	$m_{\tau\tau} < m_Z - 25 \text{ GeV}$				
	$p_{\rm T}^{\ell\ell} > 30 { m GeV}$	$\max\left(m_{\rm T}^\ell\right) > 50~{\rm GeV}$				
	$m_{\ell\ell} < 55 \text{ GeV}$					
	$\Delta \phi_{\ell\ell} < 1.8$					
$H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow e \nu \mu \nu$			fail central jet veto			
topology			or	central jet veto		
			fail outside lepton veto	outside lepton veto		
			$ m_{jj} - 85 > 15 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{jj} > 120 \text{ GeV}$		
			or			
			$\Delta y_{jj} > 1.2$			
Discriminant variable		m_{T}		DNN		

ggF: 3 signal regions based on the Njet category. VBF: only one signal region.



CONTROL REGIONS

- 3 control regions corresponding to 3 major backgrounds in each Njet category in ggF case
- only 2 control regions in VBF case.

CD	N – 0 ccF	N _ 1 ccE	N > 2 coE		
CR	$N_{\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>30 \text{ GeV})} = 0 \text{ ggF}$	$N_{\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>30 \text{ GeV})} = 1 \text{ ggF}$	$N_{\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>30 \text{ GeV})} \ge 2 \text{ ggF}$	$N_{\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>30 \text{ GeV})} \ge 2 \text{ VBF}$	
	$55 < m_{\ell\ell} < 110 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{\ell\ell} > 80$			
$qq \rightarrow WW$	$\Delta \phi_{\ell\ell} < 2.6$	$ m_{\tau\tau} - m_Z > 25 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{\tau\tau} < m_Z - 25 \text{ GeV}$		
		$\max\left(m_{\rm T}^\ell\right) > 50~{\rm GeV}$	$m_{\rm T2} > 165 { m GeV}$		
			fail central jet veto		
			or fail outside lepton veto		
			$ m_{jj} - 85 > 15 \text{ GeV}$		
			or $\Delta y_{jj} > 1.2$		
		$N_{b\text{-jet},(p_{\mathrm{T}}>30 \mathrm{~GeV})} = 1$	$N_{b-\text{jet},(p_{\mathrm{T}}>20 \text{ GeV})} = 0$	$N_{\rm eff} = 1$	
	$1^{\circ}b$ -jet, (20 GeV $< p_{\rm T} < 30$ GeV) > 0	$N_{b\text{-jet},(20 \text{ GeV} < p_{\mathrm{T}} < 30 \text{ GeV})} = 0$		$IV_{b-jet,(p_T>20 \text{ GeV})} = 1$	
	$\Delta \phi(\ell \ell, E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}) > \pi/2$				
n tī/Wt S	$p_{\rm T}^{\ell\ell} > 30 {\rm GeV}$	$\max\left(m_{\mathrm{T}}^{\ell}\right) > 50 \;\mathrm{GeV}$	$m_{\ell\ell} > 80 \text{ GeV}$		
	$\Delta \phi_{\ell \ell} < 2.8$		$\Delta \phi_{\ell\ell} < 1.8$		
			$m_{\rm T2} < 165 { m ~GeV}$		
			fail central jet veto	central jet veto	
			or fail outside lepton veto	outside lepton veto	
			$ m_{jj} - 85 > 15 \text{ GeV}$		
			or $\Delta y_{jj} > 1.2$		
	$N_{b-\text{jet},(p_{\text{T}}>20 \text{ GeV})} = 0$				
Ζ/γ*	$m_{\ell\ell} < 80 \text{ GeV}$		$m_{\ell\ell} < 55 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{\ell\ell} < 70 \text{ GeV}$	
	no $p_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ requirement				
	$\Delta \phi_{\ell\ell} > 2.8$	$m_{\tau\tau} > m_Z$	– 25 GeV	$ m_{\tau\tau} - m_Z \le 25 \text{ GeV}$	
			fail central jet veto	central jet veto	
			or fail outside lepton veto	outside lepton veto	
			$ m_{jj} - 85 > 15 \text{ GeV}$		
			or $\Delta y_{jj} > 1.2$		





Experimental Uncertainties

[Standard set of four-vector and scale-factor uncertainties, following recommendations from CP groups]

Trigger (efficiency)
Electron (reconstruction, ID, energy scale, resolution, isolation)
Muon (reconstruction, ID, momentum scale, resolution, TTVA, isolation)
Jets (JES, JER, flavour tagging)
MET (Soft term, jet track scale)
Pileup, Lumi
Fake Factor uncertainties
Mis-ID (stats, EW subtraction, flavour composition)

Theory Uncertainties

[Considered on all the main backgrounds: WW, top, Z+jets and both ggF and VBF signals]
qqWW: Matching, PS, PDF, QCD scale
ggWW: QCD scale
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Matching, PS, PDF, QCD scale, ISR/FSR
Wt: Matching, PS, PDF, QCD scale, ISR/FSR, interference
Z+jets: Generator, PDF, QCD scale
ggF: QCD scale, PS/UE (P8 vs H7), PDF
VBF: QCD scale, PS/UE (P8 vs H7), PDF, matching



GGF

Results derived with simultaneous maximum likelihood fit using m_T as the discriminant variable.

$$m_{\mathrm{T}} = \sqrt{\left(E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\ell\ell} + E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}\right)^{2} - \left|\boldsymbol{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\ell\ell} + \boldsymbol{E}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}\right|^{2}} \quad \text{where } E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\ell\ell} = \sqrt{\left|\boldsymbol{p}_{\mathrm{T}}^{\ell\ell}\right|^{2} + m_{\ell\ell}^{2}}$$



 $\sigma_{ggF} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{H \to WW^*} = 12.4 \pm 1.5 \text{ pb}$ $= 12.4 \pm 0.6 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.9 \text{ (exp syst.)} {}^{+0.7}_{-0.6} \text{ (sig theo.)} \pm 1.0 \text{ (bkg theo.) pb}$ $\mu_{ggF} = 1.20 {}^{+0.16}_{-0.15}$ $= 1.20 \pm 0.05 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+0.09}_{-0.08} \text{ (exp syst.)} {}^{+0.10}_{-0.08} \text{ (sig theo.)} {}^{+0.12}_{-0.11} \text{ (bkg theo.)}$





- Results derived with simultaneous maximum likelihood fit using new multi-variate discriminant using a Deep Neural Network (DNN)
- DNN is applied in the SR that uses 15 discriminant variables: $\Delta \phi_{\ell\ell}, m_{\ell\ell}, m_{\mathrm{T}}, \Delta y_{jj}, m_{jj}, p_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{tot}}, \sum_{\ell} C_{\ell},$ $m_{\ell_1 j_1}, m_{\ell_1 j_2}, m_{\ell_2 j_1}, m_{\ell_2 j_2},$

 $p_{\rm T}^{\rm jet_1}, p_{\rm T}^{\rm jet_2}, p_{\rm T}^{\rm jet_3}$, and ${\rm E}_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ significance



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 $\sigma_{\rm VBF} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{H \to WW^*} = 0.79 \, {}^{+0.19}_{-0.16} \, \rm pb$

 $\mu_{\rm VBF} = 0.99 \stackrel{+0.24}{_{-0.20}}$



- Cross section measurements are also conducted in the Stage-1.2 STXS category scheme.
- The STXS categories have been defined using the truth record of the simulated samples.
- After merging certain regions to ensure sensitivity for all the measured parameters, a total of 11 fiducial cross sections ggH-0j, p^H_τ < 200 GeV in different STXS categories are measured.
- 6 categories for ggH production and 5 for electroweak qqH
 FW qqH-EW qqH-2



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BREAKDOWN OF THE MAIN CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TOTAL UNCERTAINTY

- Both measurements are dominated by systematic uncertainties.
- For the ggF measurement, uncertainties from both experimental and theoretical sources are comparable.
- For the VBF measurement, signal theory uncertainties make up the largest contribution.

Source	$\frac{\Delta \sigma_{\rm ggF} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{H \to WW^*}}{\sigma_{\rm ggF} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{H \to WW^*}} \ [\%]$	$\frac{\Delta \sigma_{\mathrm{VBF}} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{H \to WW^*}}{\sigma_{\mathrm{VBF}} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{H \to WW^*}} \ [\%]$
Data statistical uncertainties	5	13
Total systematic uncertainties	11	18
MC statistical uncertainties	4	3.2
Experimental uncertainties	6	7
Flavour Tagging	2.4	0.9
Jet energy scale	1.4	3.3
Jet energy resolution	2.3	1.9
$E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}$	1.9	5
Muons	2.1	0.7
Electrons	1.5	0.3
Fake factors	2.4	1.0
Pile-up	2.4	1.3
Luminosity	2.0	2.1
Theoretical uncertainties	8	16
ggF	5	4
VBF	0.7	13
Тор	4	5
Z au au	2.0	2.1
WW	4	5
Other VV	3	1.2
Background normalisations	5	5
WW	3.1	0.5
Тор	2.4	2.2
Ζττ	3.1	4
TOTAL	12	22



CONCLUSION

- ggF and VBF Higgs boson production modes are measured in the $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow ev\mu v$ decay channel.
- ggF and VBF cross sections times the H→ WW branching ratio are measured to be 12.4 ± 1.5 pb and 0.79 ^{+0.19}_{-0.16} pb, respectively, in agreement with the Standard Model predictions of 10.4 ± 0.6 pb and 0.81 ± 0.02 pb, respectively.
- Higgs boson production in the $H \rightarrow WW^*$ decay channel is further characterised through measurements of the Simplified Template Cross Sections in a total of 11 STXS categories.
- All the results are compatible with the Standard Model predictions with a p-value of 52%.







$H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow ev_e \mu v_\mu$ **ATLAS** Preliminary $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$







