### High mass dibosons and the (neutral, scalar) Higgs sector

- High mass WW and ZZ distribution
  - h(125) contribution
  - H: new neutral, scalar, resonance
- ATLAS and CMS results from run-1
- Which models to explore?
- Non-zero width, interferences

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### **BSM high mass neutral scalar: models**

- SM h(125)
  - Offshell analysis, limit on width from offshell/onshell ratio
- SM-like: just the usual SM Higgs at another mass.
  - Production cross-sections, decays, total width well known
  - Not realistic! The h(125) already does the job for WW unitarization etc...
    - => how much room is left? needs a model.

#### EWS Electroweak Singlet

- add a singlet to Higgs sector => states: h(125) + H(M)
- couplings : C [h(125)], C' [H(M)],  $C^2 + C'^2 = 1$
- possible 'other' decays of H(M) parametrized by B<sub>new</sub>
- production and decays easily scaled from SM case
- total width  $\Gamma = \Gamma_{SM} C'^2 / (1-B_{new})$

not attractive, but a good "workhorse" for Higgs searches: ggF, VBF...

#### 2HDM

- add a doublet => states: h(125), H, A, H<sup>+</sup>, H<sup>-</sup>
- parameters: tan( $\beta$ ) (ratio of vev's),  $\alpha$  (h-H mixing) , masses (h, H, A, H<sup>+/-</sup>), m<sub>12</sub><sup>2</sup>(doublet mix)
- 4 different types: I, II (includes MSSM), lepton-specific, flipped.
- production and decays predicted
- width can be large for some parts of parameter space
- ATLAS HZZ search: m(h)=125,  $m(H)=m(A)=m(H^{+/-})$ ,  $m_{12}^2=m(A)\tan(\beta)/(1+\tan(\beta)^2)$ => results in  $\cos(\beta-\alpha)$ ,  $\tan(\beta)$  space for chosen m(H)

- Higgs Triplet : Georgi-Machacek model LHCHXSWG-2015-001
  - add doublet and triplet. parameter s<sup>2</sup><sub>H</sub> fraction of m(W) and m(Z) due to triplet
  - $H_5^0$  fermiophobic, coupled only to VV: VBF only, and  $\Gamma(ZZ) \sim 2x \Gamma(WW)$  (!)
  - proposed benchmarks:
    - m(H) = 1 TeV, s<sub>H</sub> = 0.5
      - $\sigma(H) = s_{H}^{2} \sigma(H)_{SM} = 12.8 \text{ fb}$
      - $-\Gamma(H) = s_{H}^{2} \Gamma(H)_{SM} = 8\% m(H).$
    - m(H) = 2 TeV, s<sub>H</sub> = 0.25
      - $\sigma(H) = s_{H}^{2} \sigma(H)_{SM} = 0.255 \text{ fb}$
      - $-\Gamma(H) = s_{H}^{2} \Gamma(H)_{SM} = 8\%m(H).$



# h(125) and VV production

- VV only (non VBF: qqVV...)
- Non-Higgs VV
  - q q continuum
     NLO Generators
     NNLO cross-section
  - gg-ZZ continuum
    - only known at LO!







h(125) VV
 gg fusion
 NLO Generators

N3LO cross-section



# SM- h(125)

VV: ZZ and WW modes central for the discovery
 (with γγ, but γγ not very promising for high mass...)











# SM-h(125) offshell/width analysis

Goal (Caola, Melnikov): compare offshell/onshell h(125) -> VV and set limit on  $\Gamma_h$ :

$$\mu_{\text{on-shell}} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{\text{on-shell}}^{gg \to H \to VV}}{\sigma_{\text{on-shell}}^{gg \to H \to VV}} = \frac{\kappa_{g,\text{on-shell}}^2 \cdot \kappa_{V,\text{on-shell}}^2}{\Gamma_H / \Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}}, \qquad \mu_{\text{off-shell}}(\hat{s}) \equiv \frac{\sigma_{\text{off-shell}}^{gg \to H^* \to VV}(\hat{s})}{\sigma_{\text{off-shell}}^{gg \to H^* \to VV}(\hat{s})} = \kappa_{g,\text{off-shell}}^2(\hat{s}) \cdot \kappa_{V,\text{off-shell}}^2(\hat{s})$$

 $\mu_{offshell}$  is interesting in itself; assuming  $\kappa_{offshell} = \kappa_{onshell}$ , limit on  $\mu_{offshell} =>$  limit on  $\Gamma_{h}$ 

- qq-ZZ continuum
  - ZZ- 4 leptons: minimize qq by Matrix Element analyses which favor gg
  - ZZ- Ilvv : request large Etmiss, large mT(ZZ); same for WW(evµv)
  - modelling: NLO QCD + NLO EW corrections
- gg-ZZ: treatment of interference: h125[S] ggZZ continuum [B]
  - compute SM:  $S_{SM}(Mzz)$ , B(Mzz),  $SBI_{SM}(Mzz)$ ; extract  $I_{SM} = SBI_{SM} S_{SM} B$
  - For any different coupling  $S_k = kS_{SM}$ , scale I by  $\forall k \Rightarrow SBI_k = kS_{SM} + \forall k I_{SM} + B SBI_k = (k \forall k)S_{SM} + \forall k SBI_{SM} + (k \forall k)B$
- Fit k such that SBI<sub>k</sub>(M) match the data M(ZZ) spectrum.

- gg-ZZ continuum only known at LO (box)
  - how to predict signal (gg-H-ZZ)?
    - generate LO (*gg2VV, MCFM*), multiply by NNLO/LO K<sub>QCD</sub>-factor [mass-dependent] (Passarino)
    - interference: YR: choice of x 1, x  $\vee$  K<sub>QCD</sub>, x K<sub>QCD</sub>? => K<sub>QCD</sub> (Bonvini et al.)
    - ATLAS gives results as a function of  $K_{QCD}$  (bkd)/ $K_{QCD}$  (signal)
    - CMS adopts K<sub>QCD</sub> (bkd) = K<sub>QCD</sub> (signal)
  - How to treat acceptance?
    - ZZ-4 lepton analysis not dependent on  $p_{T}(ZZ),$  but ZZ-llvv analysis does depend on  $p_{T}(ZZ)$  (  $m_{T}$  cut! )
  - ATLAS recipe: use SHERPA/OpenLoops to generate gg -> (H) -> VV+0 jet +1jet merged (not real NLO!), reweight S(M), B(M), SBI(M) each separately.
- VBF: VV + 2 jets: similar treatment, replacing  $\kappa_g^2 \kappa_V^2$  by  $\kappa_V^4$ 
  - VBF-h(offshell), VBF-like t-channel h : independent of  $\Gamma_{\rm H}$
  - Vh, h-> V\*+2jets : scales like  $\kappa_V^4/\Gamma_H$  (!)

# h(125) offshell/width: results



- CMS: similar analysis:  $\Gamma_{\rm H}/\Gamma_{\rm H}^{\rm SM} < 5.4$
- Conversely, in h(125) couplings analysis, offshell limit can be used to limit BR<sub>inv</sub>

# **High mass H: indirect constraints**

In any realistic model the h(125) couplings set constraints on a possible H

#### • EWS

-  $C'^2 < 0.12(0.23 \text{ exp}) \text{ for } B_{new} = 0. \text{ (ATLAS)}$ For m(H) = 1 TeV =>  $\Gamma < 80 \text{ (150) GeV}$ 



constrains to
 be close to
 alignment limit





Γ(H)/m(H) < ~10-15% in allowed area



### High mass, direct searches: the question of the width

#### Narrow width approximation

- simple for generation: neglect interference
- simple for analysis: "bump search", bump width = experimental resolution
- not realistic! High mass Higgs: strongly coupled at least to VV = > non-zero width

#### • Non-zero width

- which generator?
- how to treat interferences?
  - H continuum, H h
- Is this model-dependent? What are the limits?
  - available : SM-like Higgs: CPS scheme at NLO (Powheg), full interference at LO
- How to analyse?
  - limit the search to "not-too-large width" 10-15% m(H)?
    - bump, small interference effects
- How to present the results?
  - model-independent? Signal+Bkd+Interference? only Signal?

# High mass search : ATLAS ZZ (4 leptons)

#### • Mostly real ZZ, some Z+ jets and ttbar at low mass



- Dominated by qq -> ZZ
- ZZ mass spectrum per production mode (tag VBF, VH)

ZZ (ll vv)

#### Similar analysis, but 2 leptons + Missing $E_T$ (> 70 GeV) [ and $\Delta \phi$ (Etmiss,II)> 2.8 and...]



Low statistics but good sensitivity

### **ATLAS ZZ llqq**

- Ilqq complete final state, but a lot more background
  - Can use two b-tag to favour Z(II) Z(bb)

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Also: the qq jets merge: ' merged regime'



- Dominated by Z+jets background
  - diboson far below, and gg->ZZ even lower!

### **Extracted limits**

ATLAS ZZ: limits are extracted in the Narrow Width Approximation: (NWA) — "Model independent": ggF and VBF separately



In turn can be interpreted in 2HDM scenarios, [fixes the cross-sections including VBF/ggF ratio, etc.] *in a region of parameters where the width is narrow (< 0.5% x m(H))* 

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 ... and as a MSSM (different scenarios) here m<sub>h</sub><sup>mod+</sup>

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

Example 2: CMS high mass WW analysis





#### CMS High mass VV results: includes non-zero width

SM-like

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CMS up to 5.1 fb<sup>-1</sup> (7 TeV) + up to 19.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> (8 TeV) C' 2 -- Obs.,  $B_{\text{new}} = 0.0 \cdots \text{Exp.}$ ,  $B_{\text{new}} = 0.0$ -- Obs.,  $B_{\text{new}} = 0.2 \cdots \text{Exp.}$ ,  $B_{\text{new}} = 0.2$ -- Obs.,  $B_{\text{new}} = 0.5 \cdots \text{Exp.}$ ,  $B_{\text{new}} = 0.5$ 0.6 **EWS**  $\Gamma = \Gamma_{\rm SM} \left( B_{\rm new} = 0.5 \right)$ 0.4 = 1.00 ± 0.14 0.2 ATLAS indirect (observed) 0 200 300 400 600 700 500 1000 m<sub>H</sub> [GeV]

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### **Summary of experimental results**

ATLAS:

- ZZ: only NWA : by production mode (ggF, VBF), 2HDM , MSSM
- WW: NWA, SM-like (CPS), 'intermediate' (CPS, EWS-inspired with B\_new = 0)
- CMS:
  - ZZ and WW: SM-like Higgs (CPS) , EWS (CPS, C' and B\_new, with  $\Gamma < \Gamma_{SM}$ )
  - By production mode (ggF, VBF)
  - Interference H-background taken into account (with some approximation)
     Interference h-H neglected ("covered by syst uncertainty")
  - no 2HDM

#### not very consistent!

 main reason: high mass analyses derived from run-1 "Higgs searches", not really planned in advance for high-mass, additional Higgs: width, interferences added later...

### **Preparing for run-2**

Analyze in a more coherent way: non-zero width, interferences for all channels.

- only publish VV spectrum ? (with correlations between bins) , fine but:
  - signal and background have different acceptances
    - (we even design the analysis for that!)
  - not completely unfolded (complicated, long...)
- Signal search
  - MC samples:
    - bump search: signal + background without interference?
      - » signal = cross-section + width
  - Full signal + bkd models, taking into account interference(s)
  - Signal model + bkd model: can we calculate the interference in a universal way?

### ggF High mass: modelling

NWA: "standard" generators are fine: Powheg (+ Pythia8: ggF, VBF at NLO (does not include interference)

Non-zero width

 without interference: "adapted" MC, like MG5\_aMC@NLO generate H with width, scale ds/dM (M) by "propagator" depending on M (H virtuality)

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ight)}{(\hat{s}-M_H^2)^2+M_H^2\Gamma_H^2}\,,$ 

(several choices in MG5\_aMC@NLO, this one recommended (YR) to reproduce full calculation; other choices may lead to a spurious peak at low mass...)

- with interference: we only have SM, or close-to-SM generators
  - **GG2VV**: LO. **SM**: h, interference h + B; **EWS**: h, H, interferences: h-B, H-B, h-h (or MG5 ?, GOSAM?)
  - Other models (2HDM, THM...): no generator? Anyway we cannot generate one MC sample for each point in parameter space of BSM models!
  - => can we play the same game as in the "offshell" analysis?

keep B, scale S by k(M), scale I by  $\sqrt{k}$ 

H scalar => H-bkd interference only depends on H virtuality M

sign of I ? Flips sign below/above H peak...
 more generally phase of k? Is there a universal formula?



 $tan(\phi) = (m_0 - m)/\Gamma$ 

- Can we move from LO to NLO? (p<sub>τ</sub> / n\_jets is a large correction in several analyses...)
  - use GG2VV for interference
  - reweight to Powheg . Reweight only as a function of H virtuality m(VV) ?
     this should work for NLO QCD (?). What about NLO EWK?

#### v VBF

- t-channel h and H-exchange is a background, but it is model dependent! predictions for BSM models?
- EWK corrections: large for SM (as large as QCD!) : -20% at 500 GeV ; BSM?
- interference effects expected to be strong (they unitarize the SM!)

### Questions

Which models should we investigate for high mass neutral, scalar Higgs?

- NWA
- SMike
- EWS
- 2HDM
- Higgs-Triplet
- Other?
- Which parameter range?
  - which range of mass, of width?
  - only allowed by h(125) coupling constraints, or are there possibilities to evade them?
  - EWS: which B<sub>new</sub>?

### More questions...

- How to present our results in a consistent way?
  - only the VV mass spectrum, with correlation between bins?
  - same, with qqVV subtracted?
  - same, with interference unfolded => "signal only"?
  - integrated with off-shell analysis?
- NLO:
  - When is ggVV going to be available?
  - What is the "best strategy" while we wait?
- VBF: all of the above?



Thank You!