Searching for new physics at CMS







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Introduction

Results from 8 TeV

- **Extended Higgs sector**
 - Charged Higgs boson in top decays
 - High-mass Higgs (m_H > 600 GeV)

Results from 13 TeV

- Pileup mitigation
- □ First-generation leptoquarks
- **SUSY** in fully hadronic channel

Summary and outlook



What is the deal?



Explore new physics beyond

$$\begin{aligned} \chi &= -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ &+ i F \mathcal{D} \mathcal{J} + h.c. \\ &+ \mathcal{J}_i \mathcal{J}_i \mathcal{J}_s \mathcal{P} + h.c. \\ &+ |P_{\mu} \mathcal{P}|^2 - V(\mathcal{P}) \end{aligned}$$

Experimentally well tested, but not complete





Any candidates out there?







NP at Energy Frontier



CMS Integrated Luminosity, pp







- Charged Higgs boson (H⁺) appears in various NP models e.g. MSSM, 2HDM
- Its production and decay rates at tree-level depends on two parameters
 - 1) Ratio of vacuum expectation values of two Higgs doublets (tan β)
 - 2) Mass of the CP-odd Higgs boson (m_A)
- Two possible production mechanisms for H⁺ at the LHC:
 - \Rightarrow For $m_H < m_t$, it can appear as a top-quark decay product
 - \Rightarrow For m_H > m_t, it can directly produced in association with a t and b quark
- Our focus is on the first case, in particular where the charged Higgs boson decays to a charm and an anti-strange quark
 m_u = 100 GeV/c²

Branching Ratio MSSM H[±] decay 0.8 H≛ → cs $\rightarrow \tau \nu$ 0.6 → t*b l⁼ → W⁺A⁰ 0.4 $H^{\pm} \rightarrow W^{\pm}h^{0}$ The cs-bar channel is important for >the low tan β region 0.2 B(t→ Hb 10

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Signal $t\bar{t} \to bH^+\bar{b}W^-$



Backgrounds

- \diamond Irreducible SM $t \overline{t} \rightarrow b W^+ \overline{b} W^-$
- ♦ Single top
- ♦ W+jets
- \diamond Z+jets, dibosons and QCD



Final state comprises a high-p_T isolated lepton, at least four jets (two are b-tagged) and large missing E_T due to neutrino



Perform a kinematic fit with the top mass constraint to improve the dijet mass resolution for reconstructing the W or H boson

- ✓ Fit inputs: lepton, all jets passing selection, MET
- Constrain the mass of both hadronic and leptonic decaying top quarks to their nominal value
- ✓ No constraint is applied on the W mass as we expect H boson in the dijet mass distribution





Final discriminant distribution





 $\Delta N = N_{t\bar{t}}^{BSM} - N_{t\bar{t}}^{SM} = 2x(1-x)N^{WH} + [(1-x)^2 - 1]N_{t\bar{t}}^{SM}$



Combined limits



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Most sensitive upper limit across the entire mass range probed
 Would be nice to see the fate of the tiny excess around 150 GeV



- Search for a SM Higgs-boson decaying into WW \rightarrow lvqq' in the high mass region (600- 1000 GeV)
- Search is performed in the semi leptonic final state in exclusive jet bins
- Used jet substructure techniques
- · This analysis is the benchmark for future analysis of WW scattering





Key analysis features





Signal: ggH + qqH, (mH= 600-1000 GeV) **Backgrounds:** W+ jets(dominant) ttbar, single top , WW/WZ/ZZ Use **jet substructure techniques** to identify single jets containing decay products of hadronic W

Kinematics: boosted leptonic W back-to-back to a merged jet **Discriminating observables:** pruned jet mass(mJ) and three-body mass (mlvJ) **Unbinned shape limits** using mlvJ distributions

Background estimation

Data-driven Background extraction using the m_J sideband for W+jets and top enriched control regions

Data-MC comparison in 0+1 jet bin

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Final Results





No significant excess observed in the mass region investigated
 Watch out the region around 750-850 GeV



Going from 8 to 13 TeV









Pileup mitigation

- Pileup will be one of the main challenges in jet reconstruction in the LHC Run II.
- Contamination from pileup degrades the performance
- Main observables of interest
 - Jet p_T , mass, η , φ
 - Jet substructure observables
- We investigated various pileup mitigation tools such as
 - Charged Hadron Subtraction
 - Grooming techniques
 - PUPPI
- Focus on the preparation for Run II of LHC



- Systematic removal of jet constituents
- Typically used to distinguish heavy fat jets from QCD
- Reduces PU dependence of jet mass
- Studied on fat jets (anti-k_τ, R= 0.8)

In this study, we explore different grooming algorithms such as:

- Trimming (arXiv:0912.1342)
- Pruning (arXiv:0903.5081)
- Soft drop (arXiv:1402.2657)
- Samples used to target the Run II scenario: CSA14(40 PU, 50 ns) @ 13 TeV
 - QCD multijets [p_T > 300 GeV]
 - RS Graviton decaying to WW ($m_{grav} = 1 \text{ TeV}$)
 - Criteria for comparison:
 - Stability w.r.t. PU
 - Jet mass response and resolution

CMS





 Comparison of the trimmed average jet mass vs. PU for various trimming parameters using PF or PF+CHS inputs



Trimming is stable against pileup regardless of the input (PF or PF CHS)





 Comparison of the pruned average jet mass vs. PU for various pruning parameters using PF or PF+CHS inputs



- Mass increases linearly with pile-up
- PF+CHS improves the pileup dependence wrt. to simple PF



Enter the leptoquarks



- Leptoquarks are motivated by many NP models like grand unified theories based on gauge groups including Pati-Salam SU(4) color symmetry, SU(5), SO(10) and so on
- They appear as either scalar or vector bosons carrying both baryon and lepton numbers as well as fractional charge
- Symmetry between quarks and leptons is the key motivation behind the search for leptoquarks







- One of the trickiest backgrounds to estimate as we don't have a very reliable and sufficiently large MC sample → use data-driven approach
 QCD pollutes the signal region mostly due to jets faking as electrons
- Use a 2 loose-electron control region to calculate its contribution

How to calculate the jet-to-electron fake rate?







- Plot on left shows the obtained fake rate as a function of E_T of electrons
- On the right, we compare the predicted QCD contribution from MC with data-driven QCD estimation



Estimate other backgrounds and finally set limit in case of no excess in data
 Aiming for a combined PAS including the results with 2nd generation LQs





- CMS SUSY search results are interpreted in the context of simplified model spectra (SMS)
- Only parameters here are masses of pair-produced SUSY particles (e.g., gluinos), the LSP mass and the production cross section



What special about gluinos?

Higher rate of productionHigh particle multiplicity





Search Strategy



Each of the discriminating variables exhibits a good signal-to-background rejection



- To maximize sensitivity, search is performed in the bins of H_T, missing H_T, N_{jet} and N_{b-jet}
- Our strategy is to keep it
 - general: if natural SUSY does not look like an SMS model we don't want to miss it
 - simple: we can probe a new territory with the early data





- □ Plot on left shows the overall agreement between data and expected SM background in all 72 search regions → consistency at 2σ level
 □ Pight plot is the missing H distribution
- Right plot is the missing H_T distribution



If there were a signal ...



Impressive limits...



Limits from our study is the most stringent one over the entire parameter space



More details to follow in Bibhu's talk





- Briefly summarized several NP searches we are involved in
- No significant excesses any where (SM is in good shape)
- But, of course the fun has just begun