

Results on t(t)H and four-top-quark production, and the treatment of ttX (W/Z/bb) backgrounds

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University of Why is ttH interesting?

- Production of ttem H is rare $\rightarrow \sigma \sim 0.5 \text{ pb}$
- Direct measurement of Top-Yukawa coupling y_t at LHC only possible with $t\bar{t}H$ and tH
 - yt expected to be largest Higgs-ferminon coupling in SM
 - Heavy particles from BSM physics would lead to significant deviation
- Searches/Measurements are targeting different combinations of Top-quark pair and Higgsboson decay modes









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University of **Publication Overview - ttH/tH**

If not otherwise indicated on the slide, the first publication in the respective box is presented

up to 2016 data taking period up to 2017 data taking period up to Full Run-2	ATLAS	CMS
Η → γγ	Phys. Rev. Lett. 125 (2020) 061802 ATLAS-CONF-2020-026 (<i>H→γγ comb.</i>)	Phys.Rev.Lett. 125 (2020) 6, 061801 CMS-PAS-HIG-19-015 ($H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ comb., includes a.o. tH)
$H \rightarrow Multilepton$	ATLAS-CONF-2019-045	CMS-PAS-HIG-19-008
H → ZZ → 4I	2004.03447 <i>(H→ZZ→4I)</i>	CMS-PAS-HIG-19-001 ($H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4I$) CMS-PAS-HIG-19-009 ($H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4I$ anomalous couplings)
H → bb	Phys. Rev. D. 97 (2018) 072016	CMS-PAS-HIG-18-030
Combinations	ATLAS-CONF-2020-027 (Higgs Comb)	Eur.Phys.J. C 79 (2019) 421 (Higgs Comb)
	Phys. Lett. B 784 (2018) 173 (ttH)	Phys.Rev.Lett. 120 (2018) 231801 <i>(ttH)</i>
		Phys. Rev. D99 (2019) 092005 <i>(tH)</i>



 Select events with two isolated photons in Higgs-boson mass range

University of ttH(yy) - Strategy

- $m_{\gamma\gamma} \in [105, 160]$ (ATLAS) / [100, 180] (CMS)
- Categorization into leptonic and hadronic channels
 - Leptonic: \geq 1 Jet (CMS) / \geq 1 b-Jet (ATLAS) and \geq 1 lepton (e/µ)
 - Hadronic: \geq 3 Jets, \geq 1 b-Jet and no leptons
- Main background $t\bar{t}$ + $\gamma\gamma$ (both channels) and $\gamma\gamma$ +Jets (hadronic channel)
- Construct discriminant per channel BDT(CMS) / BDT+CP-BDT(ATLAS)

Had. Channels





Observation of the ttH process in a single Higgs-boson decay channel now available by ATLAS and CMS

University of ttH(yy) - CP structure measurement

Measurements point to SM-like J^{CP}=0⁺⁺ Higgs boson

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathrm{Htt}) = -\frac{m_{\mathrm{t}}}{v}\overline{\psi}_{\mathrm{t}}\left(\kappa_{\mathrm{t}} + \mathrm{i}\tilde{\kappa}_{\mathrm{t}}\gamma_{5}\right)\psi_{\mathrm{t}},$$

$$f_{\rm CP}^{\rm Htt} = \frac{|\tilde{\kappa}_{\rm t}|^2}{|\kappa_{\rm t}|^2 + |\tilde{\kappa}_{\rm t}|^2} \operatorname{sign}(\tilde{\kappa}_{\rm t}/\kappa_{\rm t}).$$

- CP-even (SM): $\kappa_t = 1$, $\tilde{\kappa}_t = 0$
- Pure CP-odd ($f_{CP}^{Htt} = 1$) excluded with 3.2 σ
- Fractional CP-odd contribution is constrained to $f_{CP}^{Htt} = 0.00 \pm 0.33$ at 68% CL

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{m_t}{v} \{ \bar{\psi}_t \kappa_t [\cos(\alpha) + i \sin(\alpha) \gamma_5] \psi_t \} H$$



- CP-even (SM): κ_t =1, $\alpha = 0^\circ$
- Pure CP-odd ($\alpha = 90^{\circ}$) excluded with 3.9 σ
- $|\alpha| < 43^{\circ}$ is excluded at 95% CL





- Measurement of ttH in final states with multiple
 - Electrons, Muons and
 - MVA-based removal of non-prompt leptons (from tt+b)
 - hadronically decaying τ leptons
 - MVA methods using track and calo features
- Irreducible backgrounds: $t\bar{t}W$, $t\bar{t}(Z/\gamma^*)$ and VV
 - ttw and ttZ are taken from simulation but still challenging (e.g. modeling of QCD radiation in ttW)
 - Normalization determined by fit
- Reducible backgrounds: From "non-prompt leptons", charge misidentified electrons and misidentified τ_{Had}



University of ttH Multilepton - Categorization

tt

IntC

Control Regions

26 Categories

CMS



ttZ

ttH

BDT

 $11 + 2\tau$

Counting

3l + 1τ



IntC

LJ

MatC



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- Simultaneous fit in 25 distributions
- Obs. (exp.) significance 1.8 (3.1)



- Simultaneous fit on (35 x 3) distributions
- tt
 - tt

 H: Obs. (exp.) sig. 4.7σ (5.2σ)
 tH: Obs. (exp.) sig. 1.4σ (0.3σ)
- Constrained y_t : -0.9 < y_t < -0.7 or 0.7 < y_t < 1.1 times SM expectation



CMS: Fit to m_{41} and kin. discriminant D_{bkg}^{kin} in all categories

- Events with 2 SFOS lepton pairs passing kin. requirements

Main irreducible background from ZZ via qq annihilation \rightarrow

(hadronic channel) or 1 (leptonic channel) additional lepton[†]

ttH categories: High number of jets, b-tagged jets and 0

University of $\overline{ttH}(ZZ \rightarrow 4I)$

to increase sensitivity are selected[†]

tt+X plays only minor role

- Signal extraction:

- ATLAS: Fit to NN based discriminants or observed yield depending on category (ttH Had: NN / ttH Lep: yield)
- Various anomalous coupling measurements published (CMS-PAS-HIG-19-009) with full Run-2 dataset by CMS but are still limited by statistics.
 - E.g. anomalous Higgs-boson couplings to top quarks in the ttH process $\rightarrow f_{CP}^{Htt} = -\ 0.13^{+0.13}_{-0.24}$ observed



ttH,tH 0.13^{+0.92}(stat.) ^{+0.11}_{-0.00}(syst.)

μ

0 0.5 1 1.5 2 2.5 3 3.5 4 4.5 5

University of ttH(bb) - Results

- Targeting final states with at least 4 btagged jets in the dileptonic, semileptonic and fully-hadronic tt decay modes
- Dominated tt+Jets background
 - Irreducible tt+bb background
 - Large uncertainties on tt+bb and tt+cc normalization
- Measurement dominated by systematic uncertainties
 - b-tagging, tt+bb modeling

 $\frac{\text{CMS tH combination:}}{\text{Phys. Rev. D99 (2019) 092005:}}$ Observed (expected) UL on $\sigma(\text{tH(bb)})$ 6.88 (3.19^{+1.46}_{-1.02}) pb



University of ttH(bb) -Treatment of the tt+bb background

- $t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$ background is taken from 5FS POWHEG+PYTHIA8 simulation
- A more precise prediction is needed!
 - Large discrepancies in N_{tag} spectrum obeserved
 - Large uncertainties on tt+bb
- Examples how this is tackled:
 - CRs introduced to fit to control tt+bb
 - ATLAS: Additional reweighting to improve modeling of additional bJets (4FS vs. 5FS)



University of Something left to say about ttH?

- Latest full Higgs combination published by ATLAS
 - Includes all previously discussed Run-2 results
 - Observed (expected) upper limit at 95% CL on the tH cross section is 8.4 (8.2) times the SM prediction.
 - neg. κ_t excluded with 2.9σ
 (2.7σ expected) in scenario with no BSM contribution to total Higgs width
 (Interpretation in κ-framework)



Parameter normalized to SM value

ATLAS-CONF-2020-027

University of Four-top-quark production

Production:
$$\sigma_{pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t},SM} = 12^{+2.2}_{-2.5}$$
fb

• Very rare!
$$\sigma_{pp \to t\bar{t}H} \approx 500$$
fb !

- ttH is a background
- All final states are very busy
 - 4 top quarks → 4 b quarks + 4 W bosons
- Can be used to constrain magnitude of yt CP properties
- Production can be significantly enhanced by BSM particles and interactions











- Analysis done in two channels:
 - Semileptonic (Ij): Exactly 1 µ(e), ≥ 7 (8) jets with 2 btags, HT ≥ 500
 - **Dileptonic(II)**: Opposite sign lepton (e/ μ) pair, ≥ 4 jets with 2 b-tags, HT ≥ 500
- Further categorization to increase sensitivity by jet- and b-tag multiplicity
- Final discriminant: BDT separating between signal and background trained per channel
- Main background tt taken from simulation
 - Uncertainties for Top p_T reweighting, jet multiplicity modeling in $t\bar{t}$ +jets, $t\bar{t}$ +b \bar{b} rate
- Only this analysis: Upper limit on $\sigma(t\bar{t}t\bar{t})$ of 48 fb could be set
- Combination with previous CMS results⁺: $\sigma(t\bar{t}t\bar{t}) = 13^{+11}_{-9}$ fb and obs. significance of 1.4 σ



University of tttt - SS, multilepton - Strategy and SM results

- Baseline selection: HT > 300, ≥ 2 Jets, ≥ 2 b-Jets, ≥ 2 Leptons
- "BDT-based" categorization by discretizing the BDT (tttt vs. SM bkgs) output
- Main backgrounds
 - ttW, ttZ
 - CR for $t\bar{t}Z$
 - modeling is improved by applying a reweighing based on additional ISR/FSR jets
 - ttw and ttZ normalization can be constrained by the fit
 - **ttH** (mainly $H \rightarrow WW$), **t** \overline{t} (misidentified prompt lepton / additional non-prompt lepton)
- In agreement with SM: $\sigma(t\bar{t}t\bar{t}) = 12.6^{+5.8}_{-5.2}$ fb and obs. (exp.) significance of 2.6 σ (2.7 σ)
- 95% confidence level (CL) limit of $|y_t/y_t^{SM}| < 1.7$.



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- Analysis can also be interpreted to constrain BSM particles and couplings:
 - Higgs boson oblique parameter $\hat{H} < 0.12$ at 95% CL
 - Upper Limits ranging from 0.1 to 1.2 for new scalar (φ) or vector (Ζ') particle with mass < 2m_t
 - Upper limits, between 15 and 35 fb at 95% CL, for cross sections of new scalar (H) or pseudoscalar (A) particles with m > 2m_t (interpretation in context of Type-II two higgs-doublet model)





Conclusion

- Increasing number ttH/tH measurement using the full Run-2 dataset are available
 - Further transition to precision measurement instead of pure searches
 - Sensitivity driven by precise modeling of backgrounds and multivariate techniques
 - Upper Limit on σ_{tH} : 8 times SM prediction
- All results are consistent with the SM but there is still room for BSM physics
- First four-top results using the full Run-2 dataset were published



Thank you for your attention!



Additional Material





 $\ln 1 + S/B$ with S and B being the fitted signal and background yields in the smallest $m_{\nu\nu}$ interval containing 90% of the signal in each category

220

200

180

160

120

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Reconstructed Primary

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0.9

0.7

0.8

0.9



CMS-PAS-HIG-19-015 — tHq DNN





CMS-PAS-HIG-19-015 — Bkg-BDT SR and CR



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Figure 15: Probability for tH signal events produced by the tHq (left) and tHW (right) production process to pass the event selection criteria for the $2\ell ss + 0\tau_h$, $3\ell + 0\tau_h$, and $2\ell ss + 1\tau_h$ channels in each of the H boson decay modes as a function of the ratio κ_t/κ_V of the H boson couplings to the top quark and to the W boson.

- κ_t : Coupling modifier y_t / y_{t,SM}
- κ_{V} : Same as κ_t for for H-W coupling (H-Z is assumed to scale equal)

CMS-PAS-HIG-19-009 - Htt coupling



Figure 9: Constraints on the anomalous H boson couplings to top quarks in the t $\bar{t}H$ process using the H $\rightarrow 4\ell$ and $\gamma\gamma$ decays. Left: Observed (solid) and expected (dashed) likelihood scans of f_{CP}^{Htt} in the t $\bar{t}H$ process in the H $\rightarrow 4\ell$ (red), $\gamma\gamma$ (black), and combined (blue) channels, where the combination is done without relating the signal strengths in the two processes. The dashed horizontal lines show 68 and 95 % CL. Right: Observed confidence level intervals on the κ_t and $\tilde{\kappa}_t$ couplings reinterpreted from the f_{CP}^{Htt} and $\mu_{t\bar{t}H}$ measurements in the combined fit of the H $\rightarrow 4\ell$ and $\gamma\gamma$ channels, with the signal strength $\mu_{t\bar{t}H}$ in the two channels related through the couplings as discussed in text. The dashed and solid lines show the 68 and 95 % CL exclusion regions in two dimensions, respectively.

Parameter	Scenario	Observed	Expected
$f_{\rm CP}^{ m Htt}$	$\begin{array}{l} t\bar{t}H (H \rightarrow 4\ell) \\ t\bar{t}H (H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) [26] \\ t\bar{t}H (H \rightarrow 4\ell \& \gamma\gamma) \\ ggH (H \rightarrow 4\ell) \\ ggH \& t\bar{t}H (H \rightarrow 4\ell) \\ ggH \& t\bar{t}H (H \rightarrow 4\ell) \\ ggH \& t\bar{t}H (H \rightarrow 4\ell \& \gamma\gamma) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \pm 1 \mp 2 \; [-1,1] \\ 0.00 \pm 0.33 \; [-0.67,0.67] \\ 0.00 \pm 0.31 \; [-0.67,0.67] \\ -0.32 \substack{+0.31 \\ -0.68} \; [-1,1] \\ -0.50 \substack{+0.45 \\ -0.50} \; [-1,1] \\ -0.13 \substack{+0.13 \\ -0.24} \; [-0.61,0.43] \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0\pm1\ [-1,1]\\ 0.00\pm0.49\ [-0.82,0.82]\\ 0.00\pm0.48\ [-0.82,0.82]\\ 0\pm1\ [-1,1]\\ 0.00\pm0.65\ [-1,1]\\ 0.00\pm0.29\ [-0.63,0.63] \end{array}$

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- To minimise the dependence of the tt⁻H signal extraction on the tt⁻W prediction
 - 3 ttW normalization factors in fit

$$\hat{\lambda}_{t\bar{t}W}^{2\ell \text{LJ}} = 1.56^{+0.30}_{-0.28}, \ \hat{\lambda}_{t\bar{t}W}^{2\ell \text{HJ}} = 1.26^{+0.19}_{-0.18}, \text{ and } \hat{\lambda}_{t\bar{t}W}^{3\ell} = 1.68^{+0.30}_{-0.28}$$



$H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4I - Signal \ fractions$





tt+bb 5FS vs. 4FS

tt+bb in 5FS

- tt
 tt
 +bb
 described by tt
 +jet ME and g → bb shower splittings
- Additional b-jets from PS
- Residual uncertainties difficult to quantify



tt+bb in 4FS

- tt
 tt

 tt

 (with mb > 0)
- Additional b-jets from ME
- Theoretically preferred option for tt+hf modeling





ttH(bb) — ATLAS — Categorization





ttH(bb) — CMS — Categorization





 $t\bar{t}+2b$ node $t\bar{t}+bb$ node $t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$ S/B = 0.0053, S/VB = 0.28S/B = 0.0092, S/VB = 0.33 $t\bar{t}H$ nodeS/B = 0.0018, S/VB = 0.76 $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$ $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$

CMS Simulation Preliminary SL (5 jets, ≥ 3 b tags) Pre-fit expectation



CMS Simulation Preliminary SL (6 jets, ≥ 3 b tags) Pre-fit expectation





Total

35

+0.32/-0.29



tttt - SL and OS DL

Channel	Best fit μ	Best fit $\sigma_{t\bar{t}t\bar{t}}$	Exp. significance	Obs. significance
		(fb)	s.d.	s.d.
Single-lepton	$1.6^{+4.6}_{-1.6}$	15^{+42}_{-15}	0.21	0.36
OS dilepton	$0.0^{+2.7}$	0 + 25	0.36	0.0
Combined (this analysis)	0.0+2.2	0 ⁺²⁰	0.40	0.0
SS dilepton + multilepton	$1.8^{+1.5}_{-1.2}$	17^{+14}_{-11}	1.0	1.6
Combined (this analysis + [21])	$1.4^{+1.2}_{-1.0}$	13^{+11}_{-9}	1.1	1.4

Channel	Expected limit, μ	Observed limit, μ	Expected limit	Observed limit
			(fb)	(fb)
Single-lepton	$9.4^{+4.4}_{-2.9}$	10.6	86^{+40}_{-26}	97
OS dilepton	$7.3^{+4.5}_{-2.5}$	6.9	67^{+41}_{-23}	64
Combined (this analysis)	$5.7^{+2.9}_{-1.8}$	5.2	52^{+26}_{-17}	48
SS dilepton + multilepton	$2.5^{+1.4}_{-0.8}$	4.6	21^{+11}_{-7}	42
Combined (this analysis + [21])	$2.2^{+1.1}_{-0.7}$	3.6	20^{+10}_{-6}	33



tttt OS, multilepton — Uncertainties, Impact and Yield

Postfit predicted backgrounds Impact on Source Uncertainty (%) $\sigma(t\bar{t}t\bar{t})$ (%) SM background tīttī Observed Total Integrated luminosity 2.3 - 2.52 CRZ 102 ± 12 103 ± 12 1.11 ± 0.43 104 Pileup 0–5 1 SR1 3.95 ± 0.96 < 0.01 3.96 ± 0.96 4 **Trigger efficiency** 2 2 - 7SR2 14.2 ± 1.8 0.01 ± 0.01 14.2 ± 1.8 19 Lepton selection 2 - 102 SR3 25.5 ± 3.5 25.6 ± 3.5 19 0.04 ± 0.03 Jet energy scale 1 - 159 33 SR4 34.0 ± 4.0 34.0 ± 4.0 0.08 ± 0.05 Jet energy resolution 1 - 106 SR5 36.7 ± 4.0 0.15 ± 0.07 36.8 ± 4.0 36 b tagging 1 - 15SR6 39.8 ± 4.2 0.23 ± 0.12 40.0 ± 4.2 44 6 Size of simulated sample 1 - 25SR7 0.31 ± 0.16 41 <1 40.3 ± 3.7 40.6 ± 3.8 SR8 47.3 ± 4.3 0.72 ± 0.28 46 48.0 ± 4.3 Scale and PDF variations † 10 - 152 SR9 58.5 ± 5.2 1.18 ± 0.46 59.7 ± 5.2 48 ISR/FSR (signal) + 2 5 - 15**SR10** 52.1 ± 4.3 1.91 ± 0.74 54.1 ± 4.2 61 25 5 ttH (normalization) + **SR11** 43.0 ± 3.5 3.0 ± 1.2 46.0 ± 3.5 62 Rare, $X\gamma$, $t\bar{t}VV$ (norm.) † <1 11 - 20**SR12** 3.7 ± 1.4 40 32.1 ± 3.0 35.8 ± 2.9 tīZ, tīW (norm.) † 3-4 40 **SR13** 16.7 ± 1.6 4.3 ± 1.6 21.0 ± 2.0 15 Charge misidentification † 20 < 1SR14 16 10.1 ± 1.2 4.2 ± 1.6 14.3 ± 1.8 Nonprompt leptons † 3 **SR15** 5.03 ± 0.77 30-60 4.1 ± 1.5 9.1 ± 1.6 4 $N_{\rm jets}^{\rm ISR/FSR}$ **SR16** 2.49 ± 0.61 3.4 ± 1.3 5.9 ± 1.3 7 1 - 302 **SR17** 0.57 ± 0.36 1.08 ± 0.42 1.65 ± 0.50 3 $\sigma(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})/\sigma(t\bar{t}jj)$ + 35 11



tttt SS, multilepton — Interpretation I

- "The measurement can be interpreted as a constraint on the Higgs boson oblique parameter \hat{H} , defined as the Wilson coefficient of the dimension-six BSM operator modifying the Higgs boson propagator"
- "Feynman diagrams where the virtual Higgs boson is replaced by a virtual BSM scalar (ϕ) or vector (Z') particle with mass smaller than twice the top quark mass (m < 2m_t), are used to interpret the result as a constraint on the couplings of such new particles"
- "new particles with m > 2m_t, such as a heavy scalar (H) or pseudoscalar (A), can be produced on-shell in association with top quarks" → New scalars can also decay to top-quark pairs



tttt SS, multilepton — Interpretation II

Exclude couplings larger than 1.2 for m_{ϕ} in the 25– 340 GeV range and larger than 0.1 (0.9) for $m_{Z'} = 25$ (300) GeV



"Comparing these limits with the Type-II 2HDM cross sections with tan β = 1 in the alignment limit, we exclude scalar (pseudoscalar) masses up to 470 (550) GeV, improving by more than 100 GeV with respect to the previous CMS limits", Eur.Phys.J.C 80 (2020) 2, 75

