
Higgs discussions summary experimental perspective

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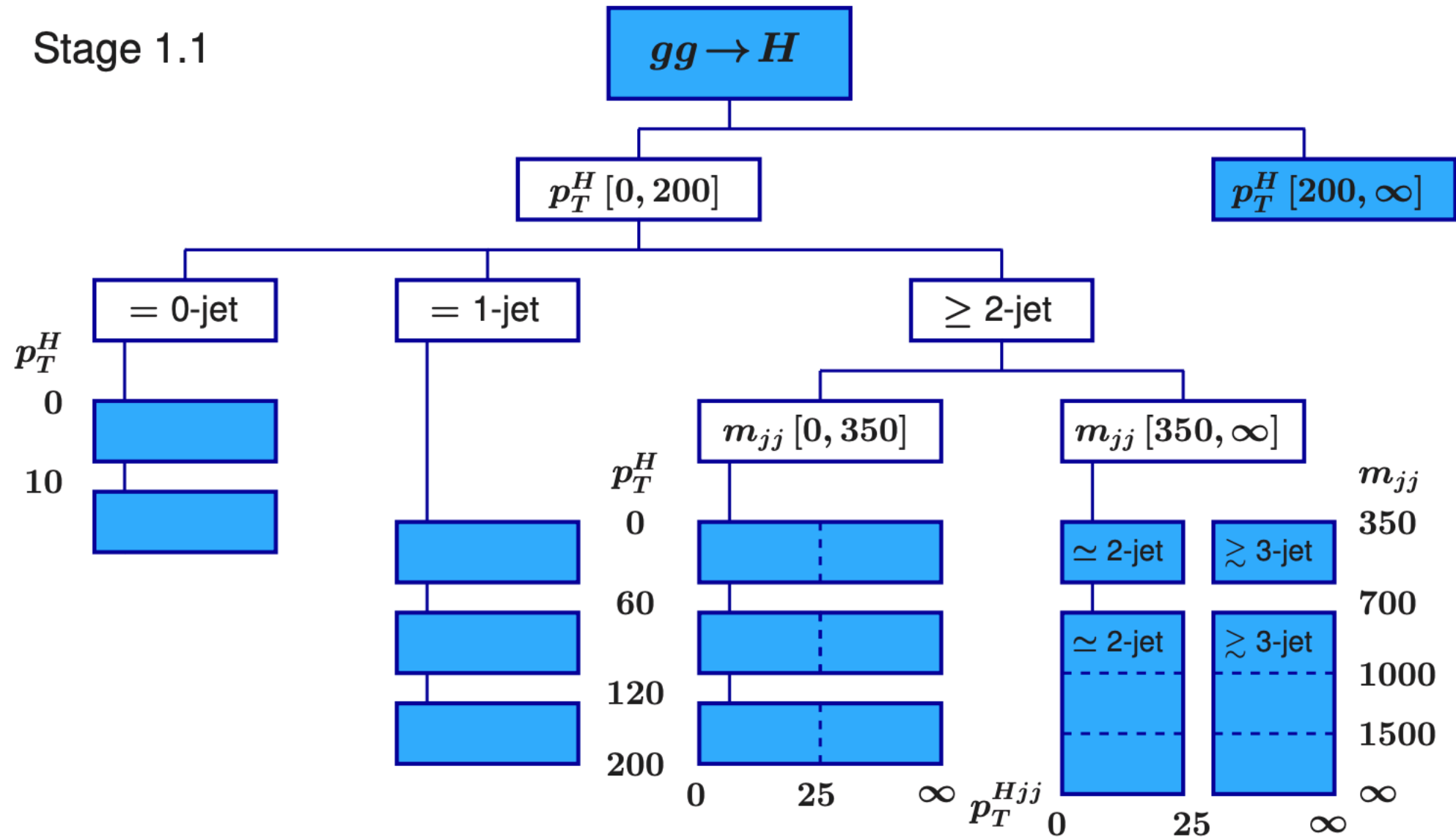
Topics discussed

- STXS in Higgs production
 - define/test binning for boosted ggH ($p_T > 200\text{GeV}$)
 - define/test binning for ttH(tH)
 - CP sensitive binning for VBF
- “STXS something” for Higgs decays
- EW corrections in VBF

Other discussions overlapped with other groups and are summarised in other sessions (e.g EFT H interpretation, EFT for HH @ NLO, ttbb backgrounds, quark/gluon tagging, parton showers/MC variations, ...)

STXS binning ggH

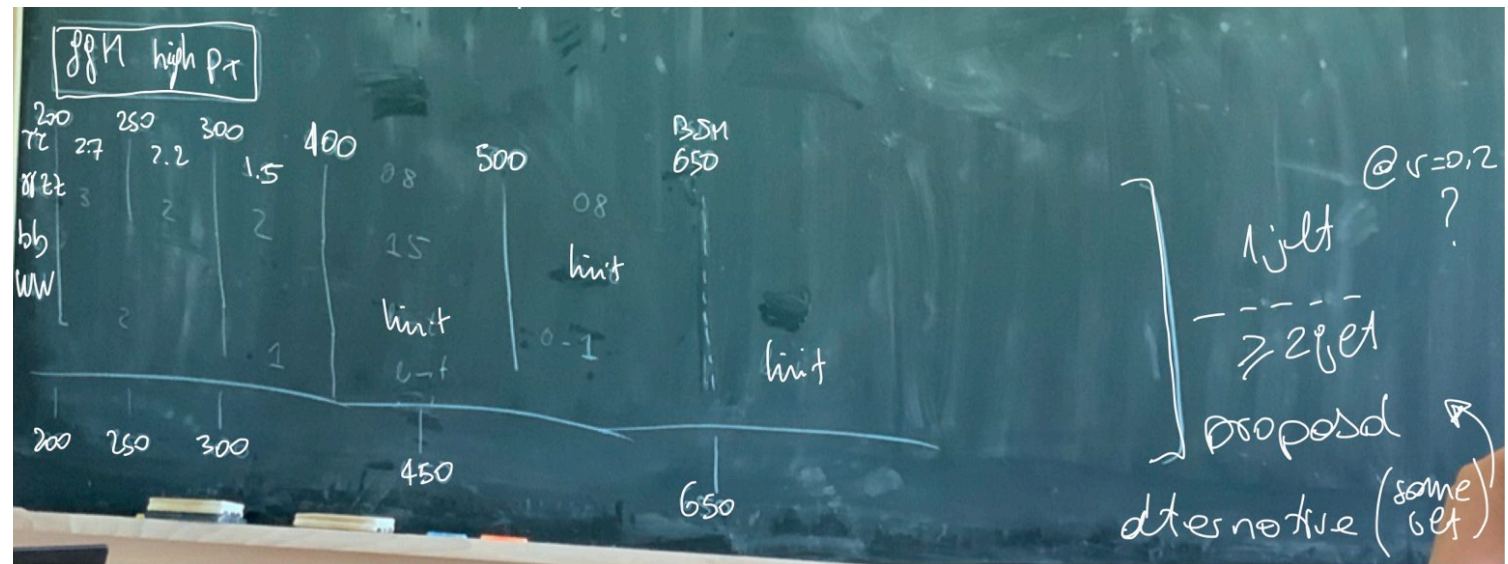
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Questions

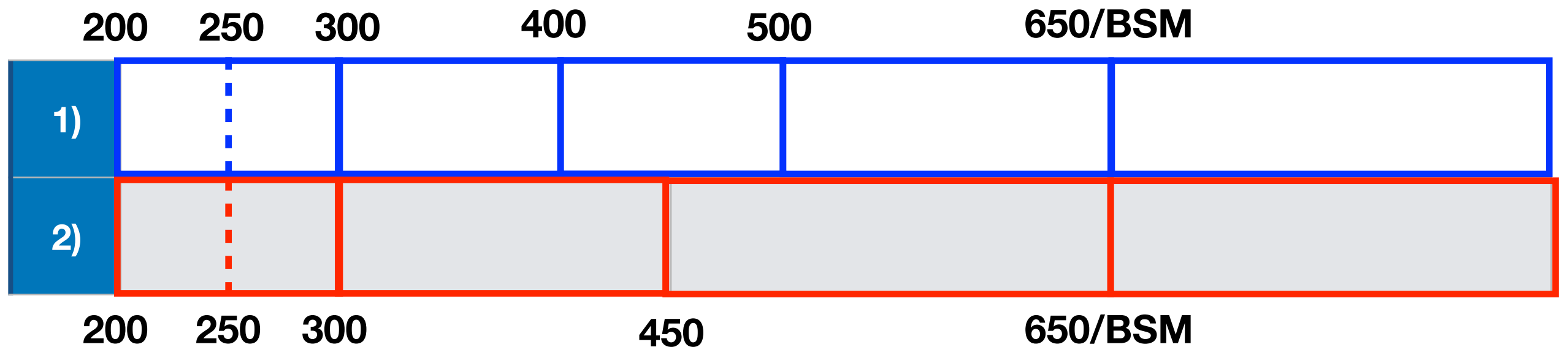
- Where do $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$, $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$, $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma/ZZ^*$ sensitivities stop? What can $H \rightarrow WW^*$ do?

STXS binning ggH



◆ Proposed 2 sets of binning to be tested:

- ◆ mainly based on extrapolating down HL-LHC ATLAS-CMS projections [$\gamma\gamma$, ZZ, bb]



◆ Waiting for more precise feedback from analyses:

- ◆ some numbers shown from ATLAS $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$, might be refined
- ◆ CMS $H \rightarrow WW$ started some studies (important for the decision on the splitting around 400/450)
- ◆ $H \rightarrow bb$ might lead the discussion on the location of the upper pT bins (some more refined numbers from ATLAS should arrive soon)

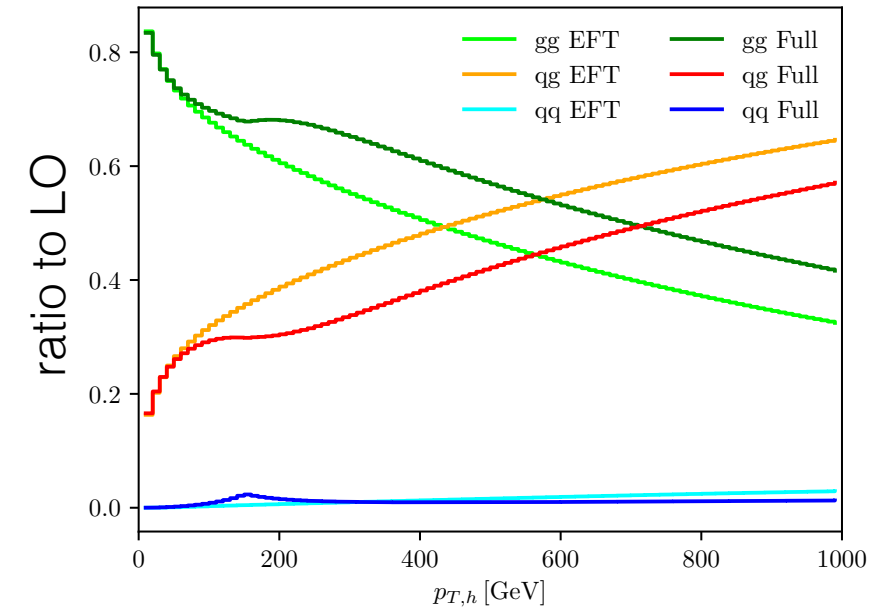
Binning: work in progress

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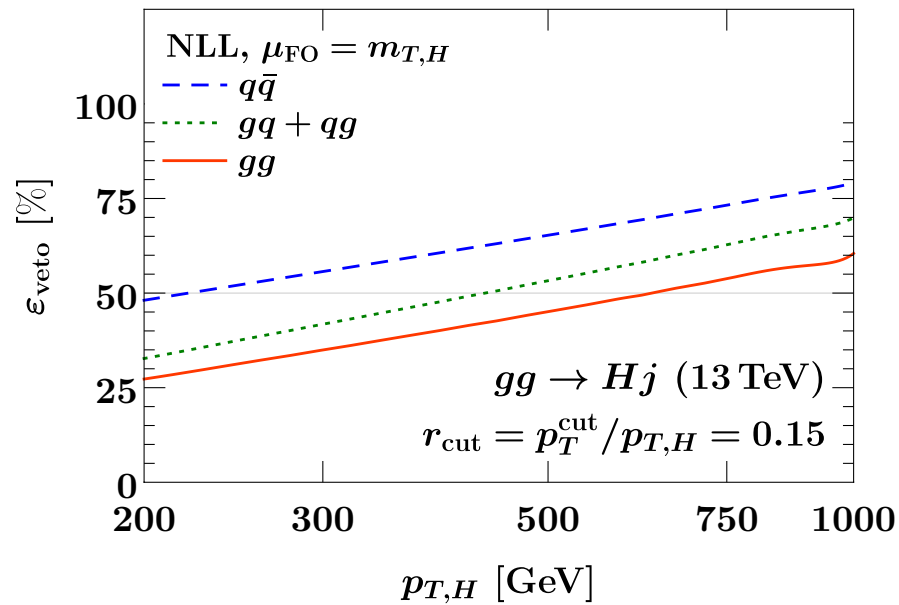
- ◆ **additional binning for extra jet activity?**

- ◆ treatment of top loop affects initial partonic fractions
- ◆ q/g could help separating them

- ◆ **can a veto on 2nd leading jet differentiate the production diagrams (gg / gq / qq)?**

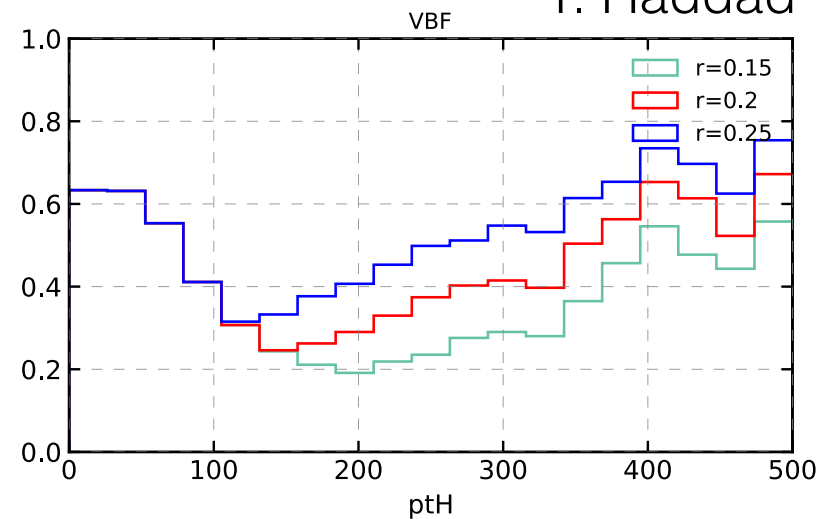
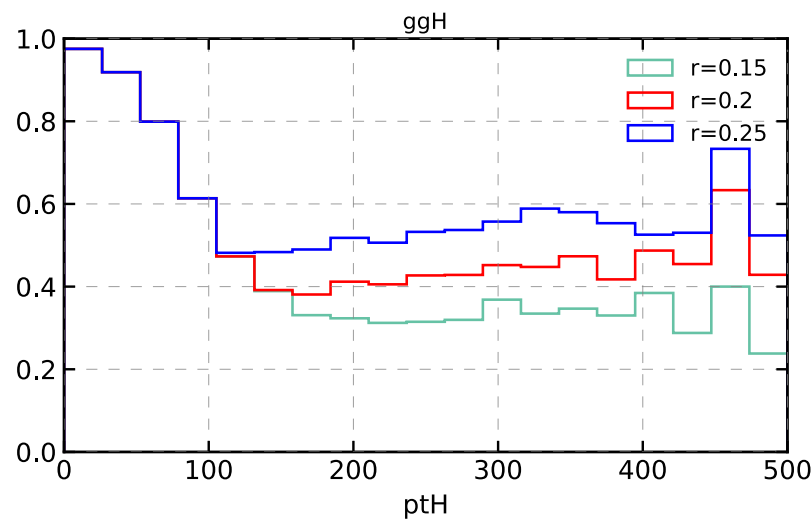


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- ◆ ratio variable: $r = p_{T,j2} / p_{T,H}$
- ◆ $r < 0.15 = 30$ GeV jet for $p_{T,H} = 200$ GeV
- ◆ cut is quite aggressive (only ~30% of ggH events retained and little discrimination power for initial state)

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fraction of events surviving $r < xx$ cut

- ◆ **can the cut help to separate ggF from VBF?**

- ◆ very little separation power (picture worsen as a function of jet pt)
- ◆ use it as dashed bin?

ttH binning

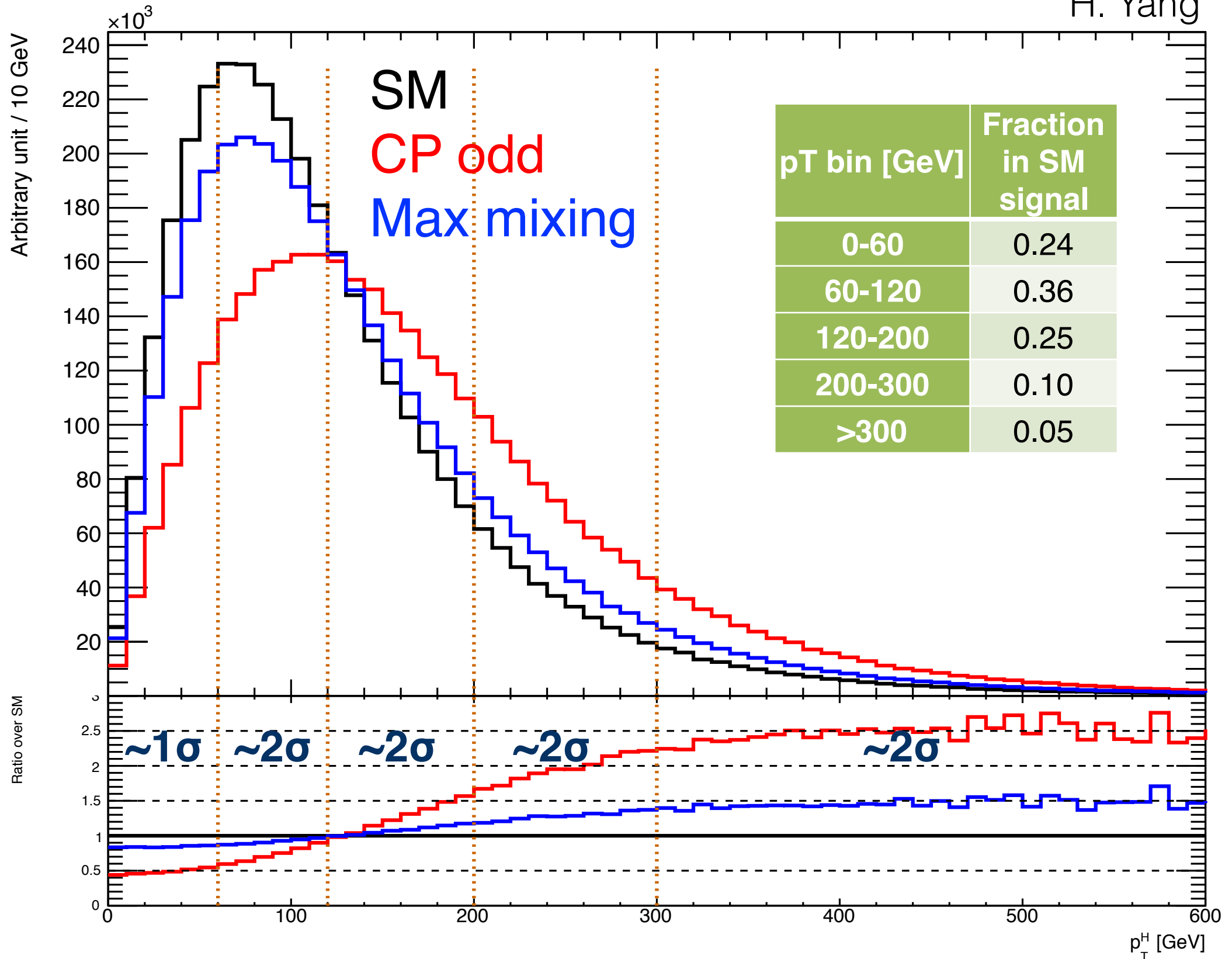
- ttH cross-section: 0.5065 pb @ 13 TeV
- Proposal: introduce bins in p_{T^H} at **60 GeV, 120 GeV, 200 GeV, and 300 GeV** (mirroring bins in ggH)
- Rough sensitivity estimation from diphoton channel @139 fb⁻¹

| Lumi | | Total | YY | WW+ZZ+ TT | bb |
|----------------------|----------|--------|-----|--------------|-------|
| 140 fb ⁻¹ | Produced | 70910 | 161 | 21569 | 41192 |
| | Selected | 6596 | 43 | 1583 | 4970 |
| 300 fb ⁻¹ | Produced | 151950 | 345 | 46219 | 88268 |
| | Selected | 14136 | 93 | 3393 | 10650 |

Efficiencies derived from ATLAS 139 fb⁻¹ analysis for ttH($\gamma\gamma$), and ATLAS 36 fb⁻¹ analyses for bb/multi-lepton

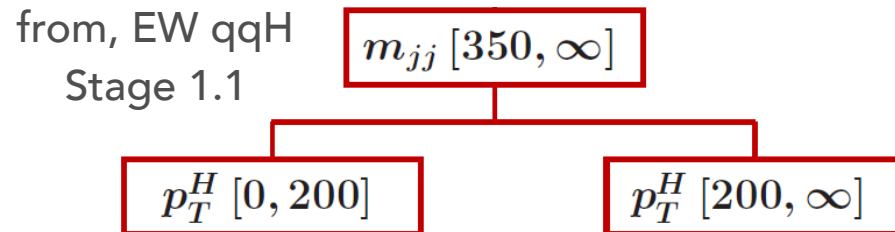
Truth p_T spectrum

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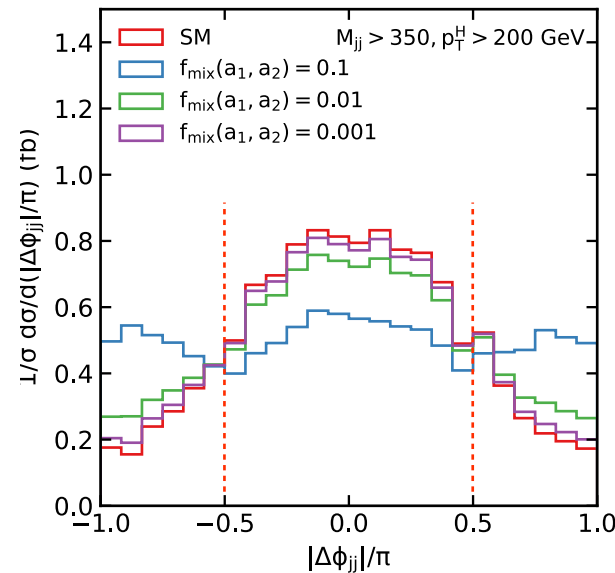
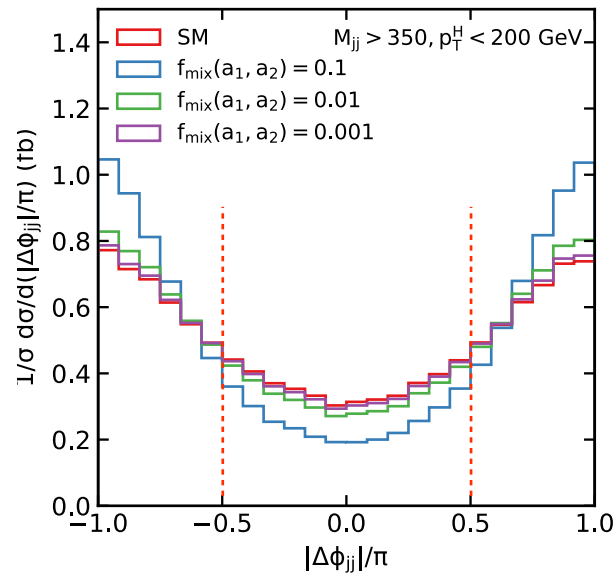


VBF CP-SENSITIVE BINS

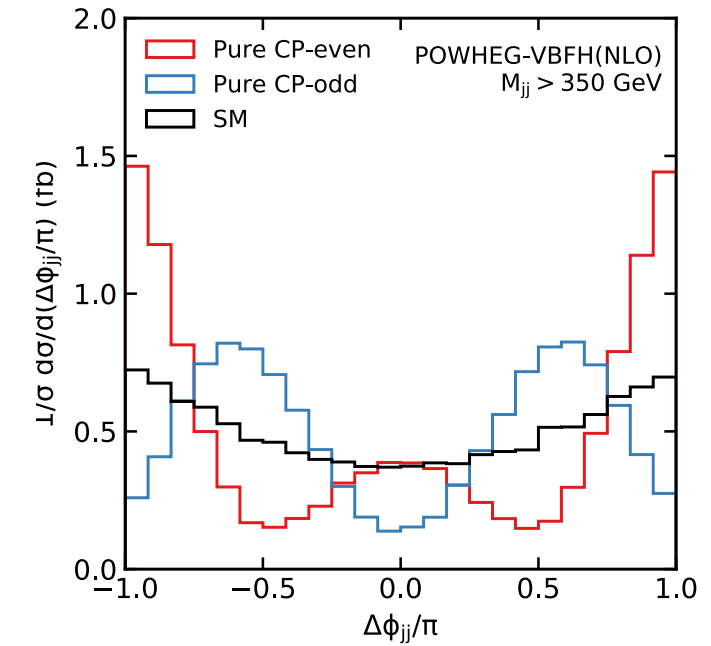
- Azimuthal angle difference of the two tagging jets probes the tensor structure of HVV vertex
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- a_2 : CP-even interaction



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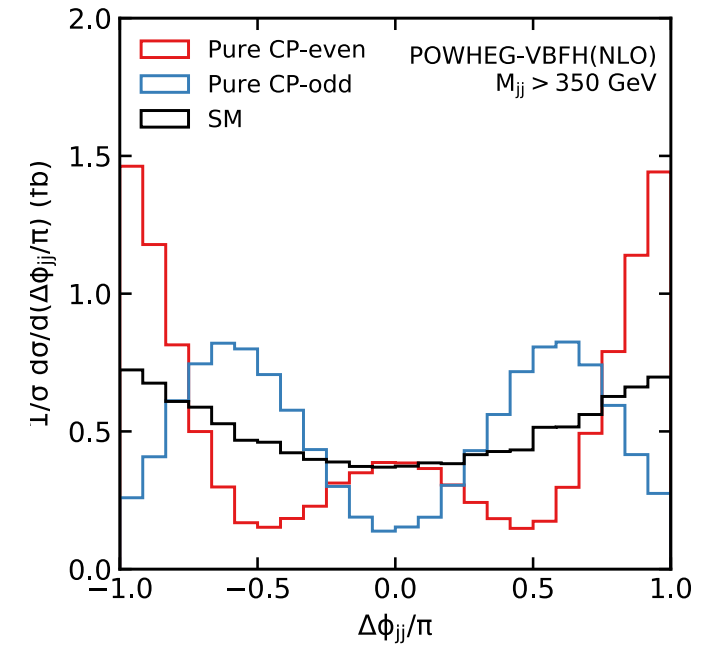
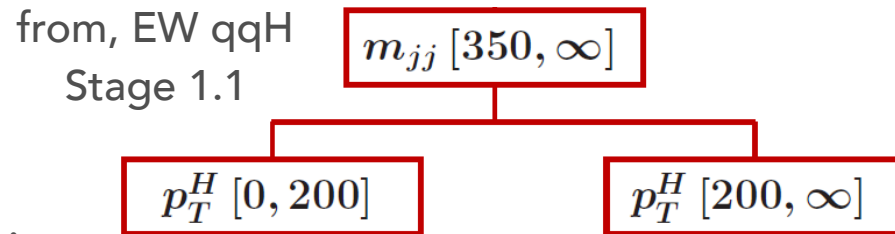
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 - but unlikely to be measured with enough stat with Run2 data
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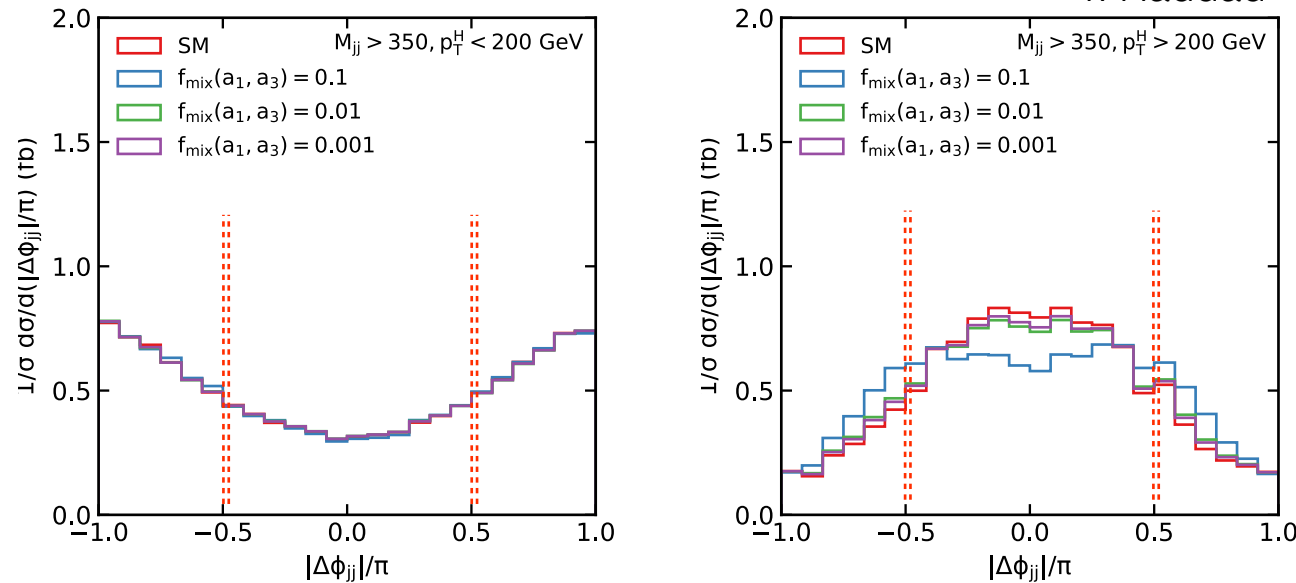
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- a_3 : CP-odd interaction



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 - No amplitude deviation at low P_{TH} bins for (a_1, a_3) mixing
- Since larger amplitudes at 0 and $\pm\pi$
 - Possible binning $[0, -\pi/2, \pi/2, \pi]$ in both High and low P_{TH}
- Need further studies to conclude

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“STXS something” for Higgs decays

- Try to define measurement bins for $H \rightarrow 4l$ and $H \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$ as in STXS
- The goal is to have an “agnostic binning” avoiding EFT parameter “bias” on how to split
- Ansatz: split according to “sensitivity” to decay phase space
- Generate SMEFTsim $H \rightarrow 4l$, relevant operators:
 $c_{HB}, c_{HW}, c_{HWB}, c_{HBtil}, c_{HWtil}, c_{HWBtil}, c_{He}, c_{HI1}, c_{HI3}, c_{HDD}$
- Use Matrix element observable $ME(c_{HB}, \dots, c_{HDD})/ME(SM)$ as discriminator and fit to a sample of SM $H \rightarrow 4l$ events (only interested in the covariance matrix)
- Eigenvectors of covariance = directions of sensitivity
- For each eigenvector j build dedicated observable $ME(EV_j)/ME(SM)$
(EV_j = direction of sensitivity for a combination of operators)
- Can define bins that “split SM sample in half” along each $ME(EV_j)/ME(SM)$
- Tricky: The size of the eigenvalues depends on the definition of the c_{XX}
→ a priori no order what is “best” measured and in which order to split!

Done

First results

- Large hierarchy of eigenvalues for $H \rightarrow 4l$

549544.0925 : EV = -0.53 cHB -0.04 cHW -0.15 cHWB -0.76 cHBtil -0.25 cHWtil -0.25 cHWBtil

135045.3148 : EV = -0.67 cHB -0.06 cHW -0.19 cHWB +0.25 cHBtil +0.64 cHWtil +0.18 cHWBtil

17802.7597 : EV = -0.42 cHB -0.04 cHW -0.11 cHWB +0.55 cHBtil -0.71 cHWtil +0.01 cHWBtil

314.5775 : EV = -0.01 cHB -0.00 cHW +0.00 cHWB -0.25 cHBtil -0.18 cHWtil +0.95 cHWBtil

160.1771 : EV = -0.24 cHB -0.26 cHW +0.94 cHWB -0.01 cHBtil +0.01 cHWtil -0.01 cHl1 +0.01 cHDD

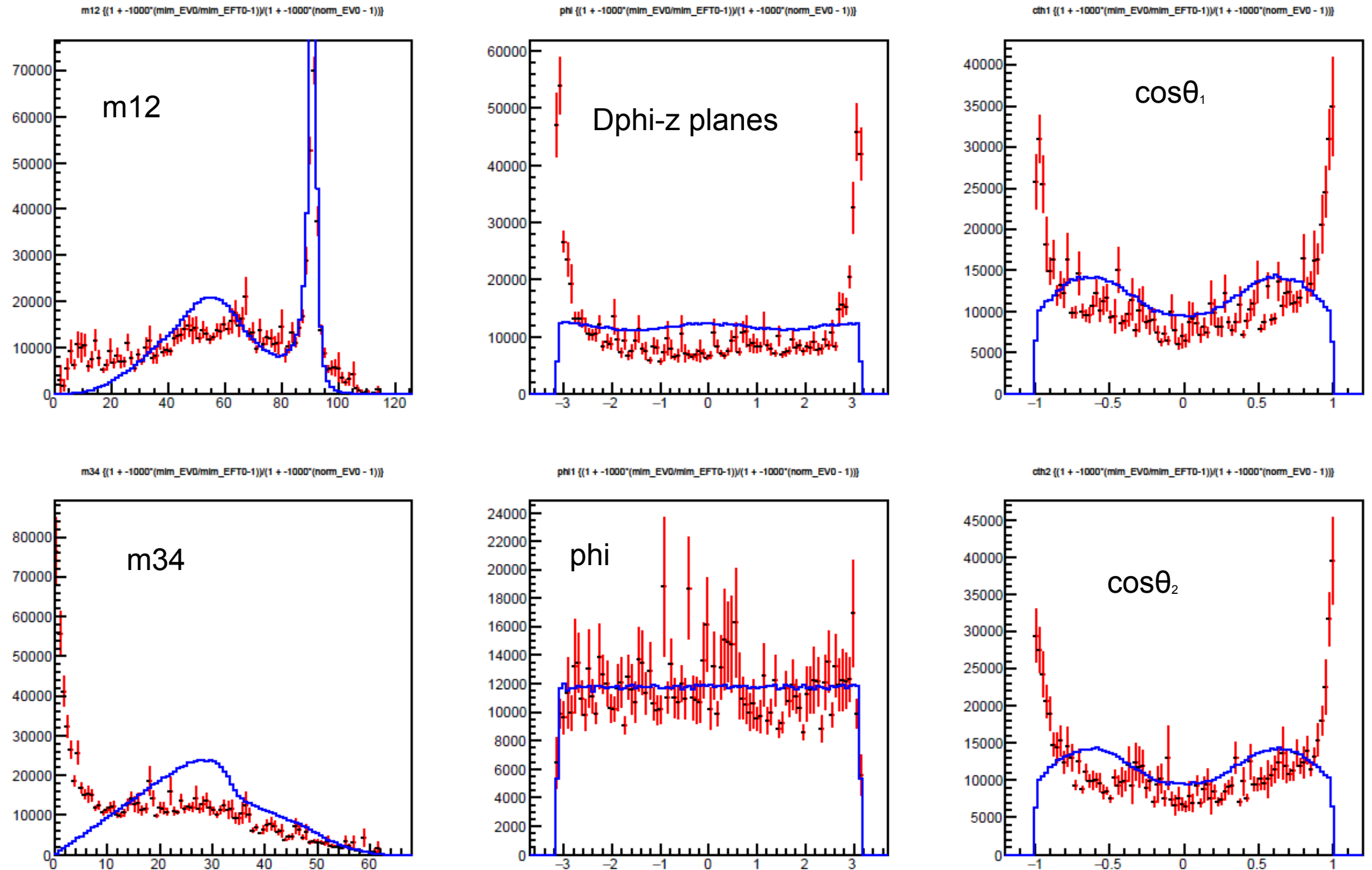
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- It seems only the first 2 or 3 independent directions can be measured. The observable effect for the rest seems too small
- Open issues:
 - Order of eigenvectors and in which order to split into bins? How to choose bins?
 - Add acceptance cuts and add ZZ/WW background, as ME ratio diverges in some points! Current results and eigenvalues+vectors are likely very unreliable/biased!
 - Does it work for HWW?
- To be shown: one gets ~ the same final bin definition when using a different formalism, e.g. POs, to start defining bins. The method should be independent from the initial “base” (EFT, POs, etc...)
- Bonus: redefine ME-based observable into something closely related, but human readable. But bins will likely NOT be intuitive

First results

Illustration of the EV_0 direction on the standard angular basis.
 EV_0 maximises the shape deviations from the SM

SM
EFT



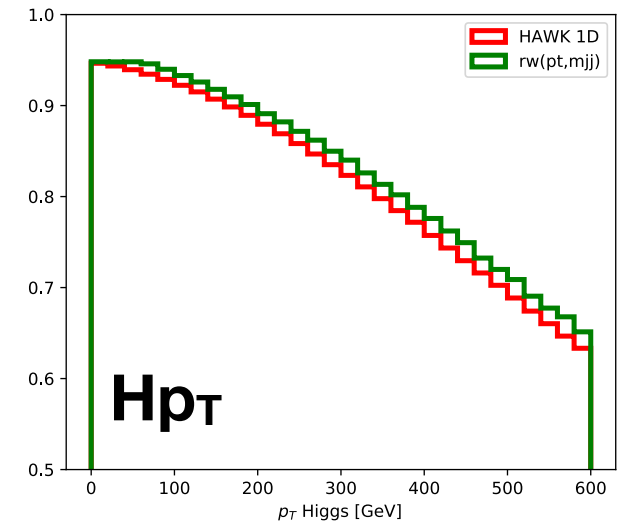
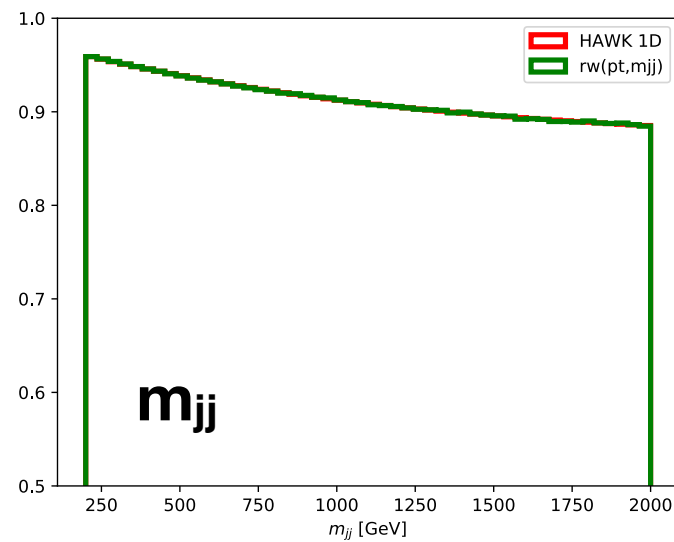
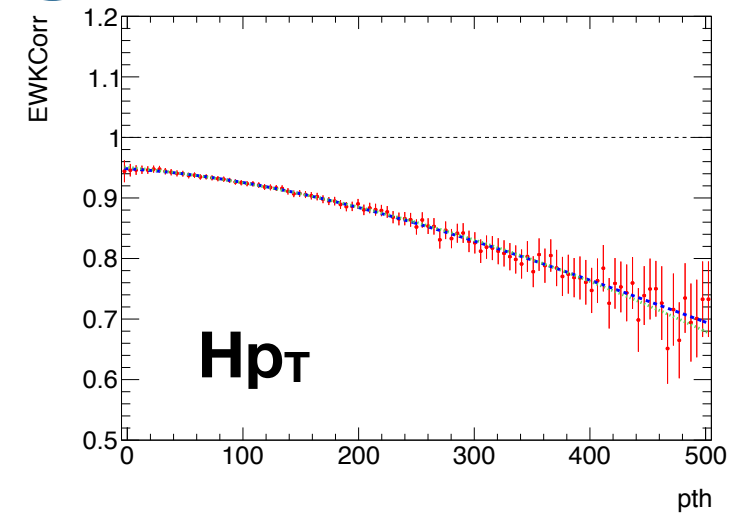
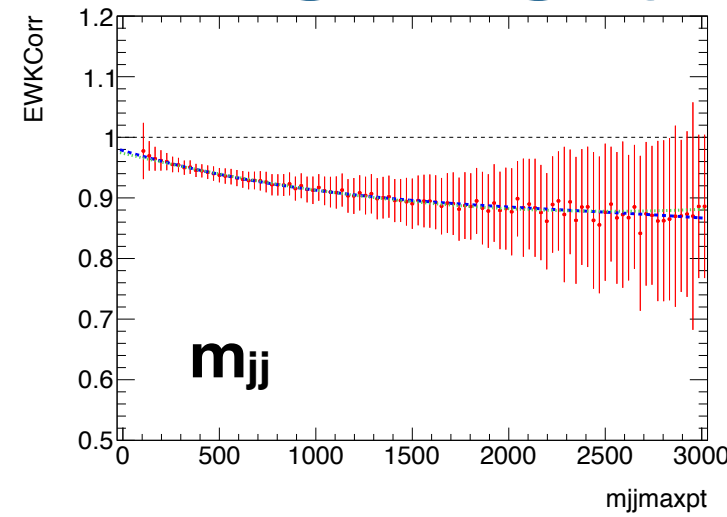
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EWK corrections in VBF STXS bins

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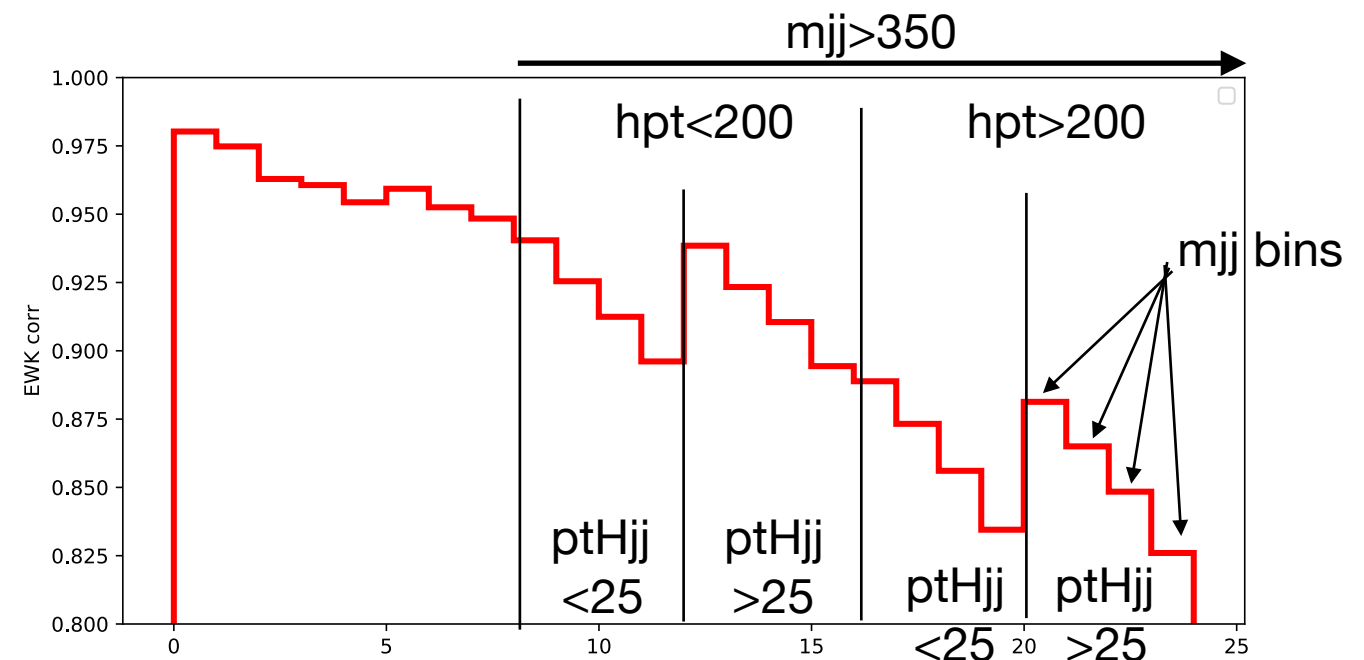
- ◆ Took some 1D distributions from HAWK made by the LHCHIGGSXS WG ([link](#)). Some caveats:
 - ◆ plots made for a $2j, |dY_{jj}| > 3$ selection
 - ◆ needs to be re-done but used as starting point

- ◆ Trying to describe the correction with a single function of 2 variables $f(m_{jj}, hp_T)$:
 - ◆ m_{jj} and hp_T are mildly correlated
 - ◆ apply sequential approach: reasonable closure but could certainly be improved



- ◆ **calculated EWK corr in VBF bins:**

- ◆ first pass
- ◆ clearly corrections above are not reliable in $n_{\text{Jet}} < 2$ and low dY



- ◆ Ultimate goal: “full multidimensional correction (or STXS bins) directly from HAWK”