

# Little Higgs Task Force

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# Atlas and the Little Higgs

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# Hierarchy problem revisited

All data consistent with SM ( $g - 2$ ???)

New particles of mass  $\lesssim 10\text{TeV}$  are constrained EW fits, FCNC limits *etc*

Calculate with a cut off  $\Lambda = 10\text{TeV}$

$$\text{top loop } \delta m_h^2 = \frac{3}{8\pi^2} \lambda_t^2 \Lambda^2 \sim (2\text{TeV})^2$$

$$\text{W/Z loops } \delta m_h^2 \sim \alpha_w \Lambda^2 \sim -(750\text{GeV})^2$$

$$\text{Higgs loop } \delta m_h^2 \sim \frac{\lambda}{16\pi^2} \Lambda^2 \sim -(1.25m_h)^2$$

$$m_h^2 \sim (100\text{GeV})^2$$

Fine tuning of Higgs mass seems to require something else  $\sim 1\text{TeV}$

Most dangerous terms are top loop, Higgs loop, W/Z loops

Solve these and problem is  $\gtrsim 10\text{TeV}$  where we know nothing

SUSY solves it up to  $\sim M_{Planck}$  by removing all quadratic divergences.

Can arrange ad-hoc cancellations by adding a few particles but need a symmetry



# Little Higgs models

- Models try to arrange new particles to cancel these effects
- Do this by extending the symmetries of the Standard Model so that the cancellations are forced by the new symmetries
- Need a theory with a broken global symmetry to get a massless Goldstone boson.
- Must break the symmetry “in a small way” so that this Goldstone Boson can have interactions and a VEV and play the role of the Higgs.
- Will solve the hierarchy problem; cancellations will appear as needed
- The models are not simple (they may be “elegant”) and not complete.



# The basic concept

- Start with a group  $G$ , break it to  $H$  at scale  $\Lambda$  (think of 10 TEV)
- Don't worry about the rest of the physics at this scale
- $H$  must contain standard model  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)$
- Get rid of the “extra” Goldstone bosons by gauging part of  $G$  so that
  - (a) Some are eaten
  - (b) part of symmetry is broken and others can get a mass.
- Introduce small explicit breaking if needed



# An Illustration

- $G = SU(5)$   $H = SO(5)$ :  $(5^2 - 1) - 5 \times 4/2 = 14$  Goldstone bosons
- Classify them according to weak  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)$ 

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} 1_0 & \oplus & 3_0 & \oplus & 2_{1/2} & \oplus & 2_{-1/2} & \oplus & 3_1 & \oplus & 3_{-1} \\ X & & Y & & h & & h^\dagger & & \phi & & \phi^\dagger \end{array}$$
- Gauge subgroup  $SU(2) \times U(1) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  and break to  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)$   
 $X$  and  $Y$  are eaten  
 $\Rightarrow$  4 Gauge bosons ( $Z$ ) of mass  $g\Lambda \sim 1$  TeV
- Compute most general 1-loop correction to Goldstone Boson couplings from gauge interactions  
Generates mass  $g\frac{\Lambda}{4\pi}$  for  $\phi$   
Generates  $(hh^\dagger)^2$   
But  $h$  stays massless

See [5] for details



# How to Cancel the Top Loop

- add  $SU(2)_L$  singlet quarks  $T_L$  and  $T_R - T_R$  has same coupling as  $t_R$
- Embed  $SU(2)_L$  in global  $SU(3)$  (fits inside the  $SU(5)$ )

$$\begin{pmatrix} t_L \\ b_L \\ T_L \end{pmatrix}$$

- Global  $SU(3)$  is broken and the couplings of Goldstone bosons are known  
 $Qt_r$  loop from first term is canceled by  $T_L t_r$  loop from third!!!

$$\lambda_1(iQht_r + fT_L t_r - \frac{1}{2f}T_L t_r h h^\dagger) + \lambda_2 f(T_L T_R)$$

Add Breaking term  $\lambda_2 f(T_L T_R)$

$T_L$  marries combination of  $T_R$  and  $t_R$  and gets mass of order  $\lambda_2 f$

Remaining combination is right handed top

Top mass constraint implies  $\frac{1}{\lambda_1} + \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \sim 2$



# LHC signals

What is the minimal stuff??

- Something to cancel the top loop.  
In the example this is  $T$  decays via  $T \rightarrow Zt$ ,  $T \rightarrow Wb$ ,  $T \rightarrow ht$  with BR in the proportion 1 : 2 : 1  
Ratio is test of model
- Something to deal with the  $W$  loop  
In the example this is the gauge bosons of the other  $SU(2) \times U(1)$ .  
Once the masses are specified their couplings have one free parameter ( $\theta$ )
- Something to deal with the  $H$  loop  
In the example this is the Higgs triplet  $\phi$  which is produced via  $WW$  fusion
- Very small effects  $< 5\%$  in  $h \rightarrow gg$  and  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Masses and decays are model dependent. Higgs sector is most model dependent



# Expected range of masses

- Fine tuning means that  $f = \frac{\Lambda}{4\pi} < 1\text{TeV} \left(\frac{m_H}{200\text{GeV}}\right)^2$
- $m_T < 2\text{TeV} \left(\frac{m_H}{200\text{GeV}}\right)^2$
- $M_{W_H} < 6\text{TeV} \left(\frac{m_H}{200\text{GeV}}\right)^2$
- $m_\phi < 10\text{TeV}$

Some phenomenology is discussed by [11] and [10]



But...

- This model is well defined and can be tested
- No custodial SU(2) symmetry and therefore potentially large corrections to  $M_W = M_Z \cos \theta_W$  [12] – Disaster
- E-W fits constrain  $f > 4TeV$
- this implies  $m_T > 8TeV$  and the fine tuning problem is back with a vengeance

This particular model is dead

However another model may be OK

Factors of 2 might save it e.g.  $f > 2TeV$  and  $m_T = f$  lower  $m_T$  by factor of 4.

There are other viable models, but we need a definite one for simulation



# New Quark

Properties determined by two parameters  $\lambda_1/\lambda_2$  and mass.

Two production mechanisms  $qb \rightarrow q'T$  and  $gg \rightarrow T\bar{T}$ : Former depends on  $t - T$  mixing and therefore on  $\lambda_1/\lambda_2$

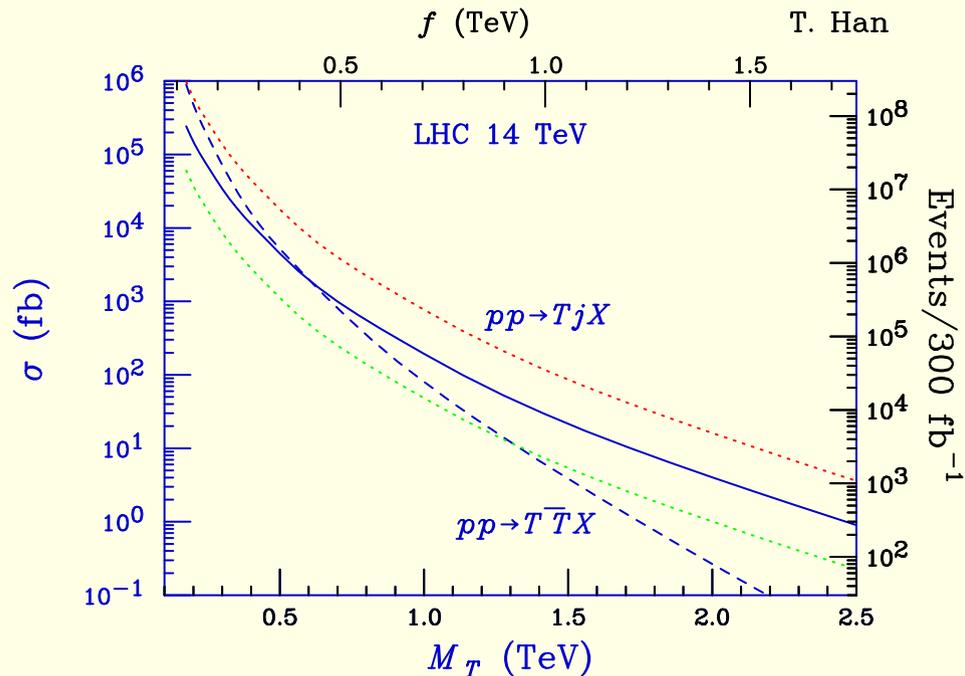


Figure from Han

Single production dominates at large masses

Three single production curves are for  $\lambda_1/\lambda_2 = 2, 1, 0.5$

Width is small

Single Production is used in the following: note recoil jet.



$$T \rightarrow ht$$

Reconstruct from  $h \rightarrow bb$  and  $t \rightarrow bl\nu$

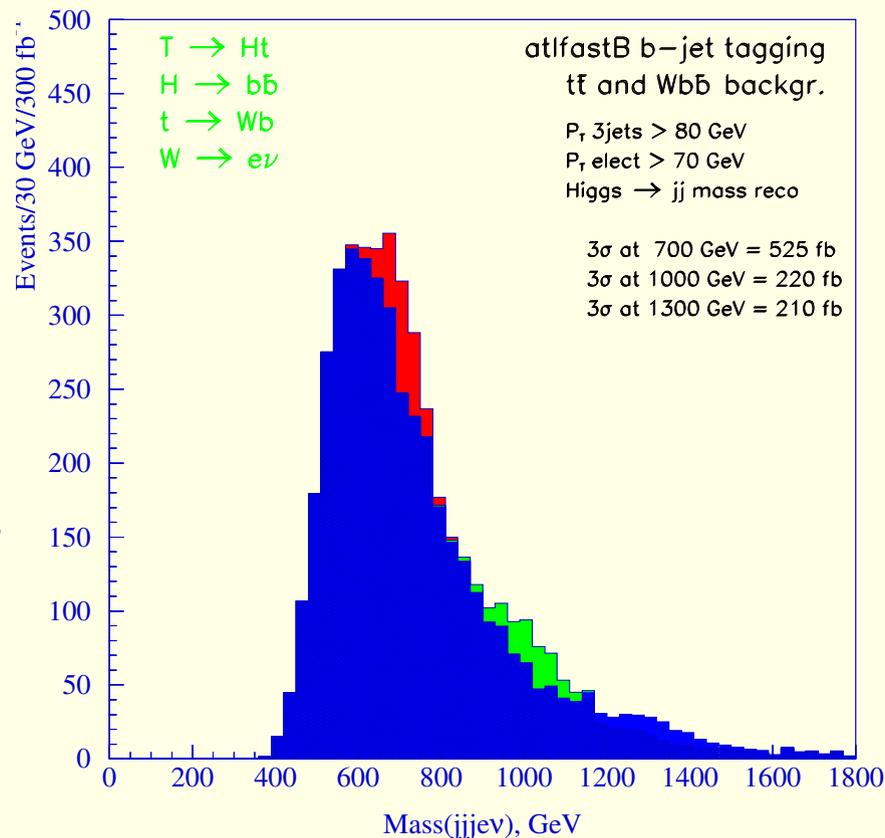
One isolated  $e$  or  $\mu$  with  $p_T > 70$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$ .

Three jets with  $p_T > 80$  GeV.

Four jets with  $p_T > 15$  GeV.

At least one jet tagged as a  $b$ -jet

Mass of dijet system within 20 GeV of Higgs mass (assumed to be 120 GeV)



Background dominated by  $t\bar{t}$



$$T \rightarrow Zt$$

Reconstruct from  $Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$  and  $t \rightarrow b \ell \nu$

Three isolated leptons (either  $e$  or  $\mu$ ) with  $p_T > 40$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$  one of which has  $p_T > 100$  GeV

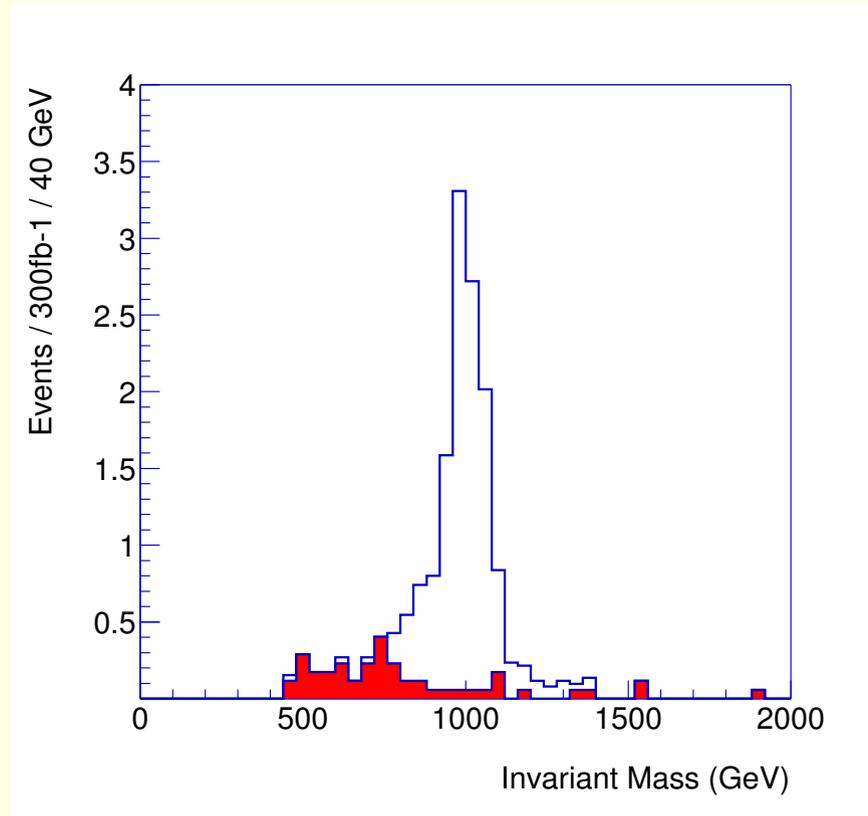
No other leptons with  $p_T > 15$  GeV

One pair of leptons within 10 GeV of  $Z$  mass.

$\cancel{E}_T > 100$  GeV

At least one tagged  $b$ -jet with  $p_T > 30$  GeV

is dominated by  $tbZ$



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$$T \rightarrow Wb$$

Reconstruct from  $T \rightarrow bl\nu$

One isolated lepton (either  $e$  or  $\mu$ ) with  $p_T > 100$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$

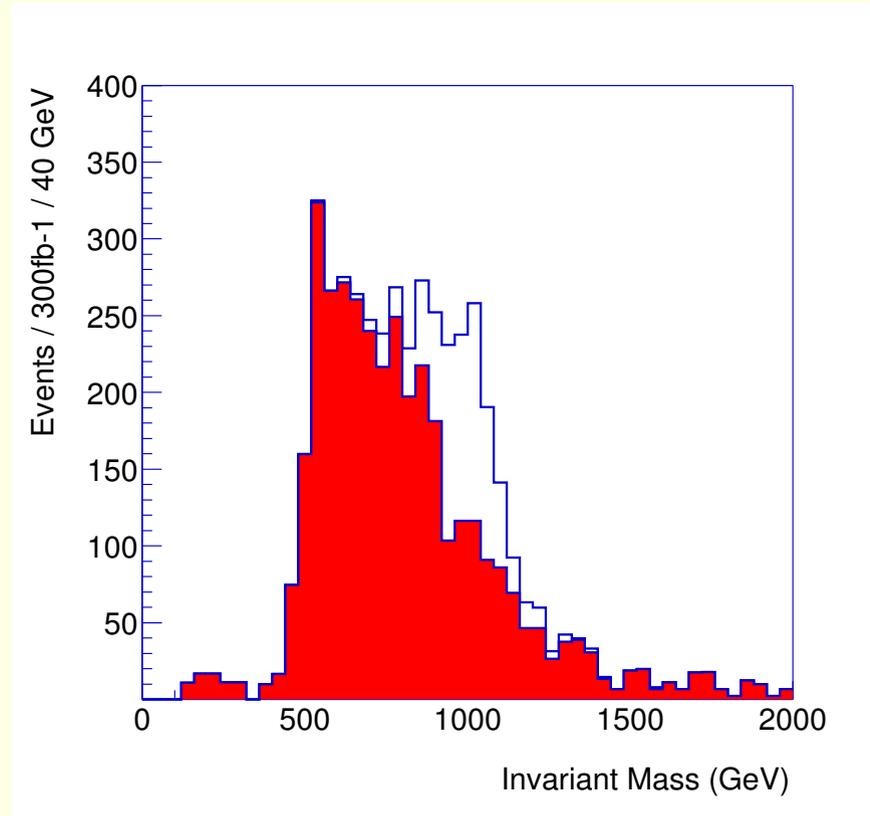
No other leptons with  $p_T > 15$  GeV

No more than 2 jets with  $p_T > 50$  GeV and  $M(j1, j2) > 200$  GeV

$\cancel{E}_T > 100$  GeV

at least one tagged  $b$ -jet with  $p_T > 200$  GeV

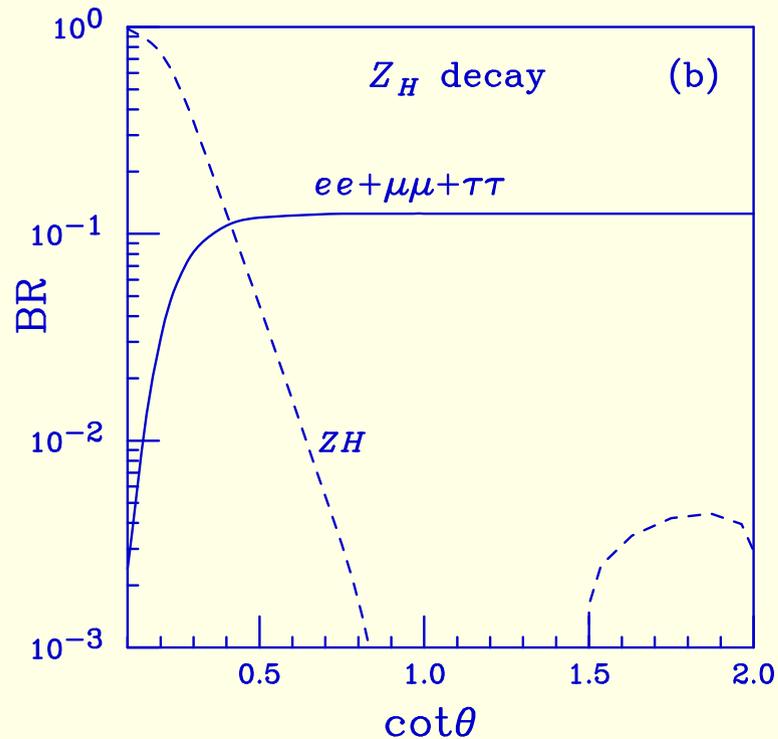
is dominated by  $t\bar{t}$



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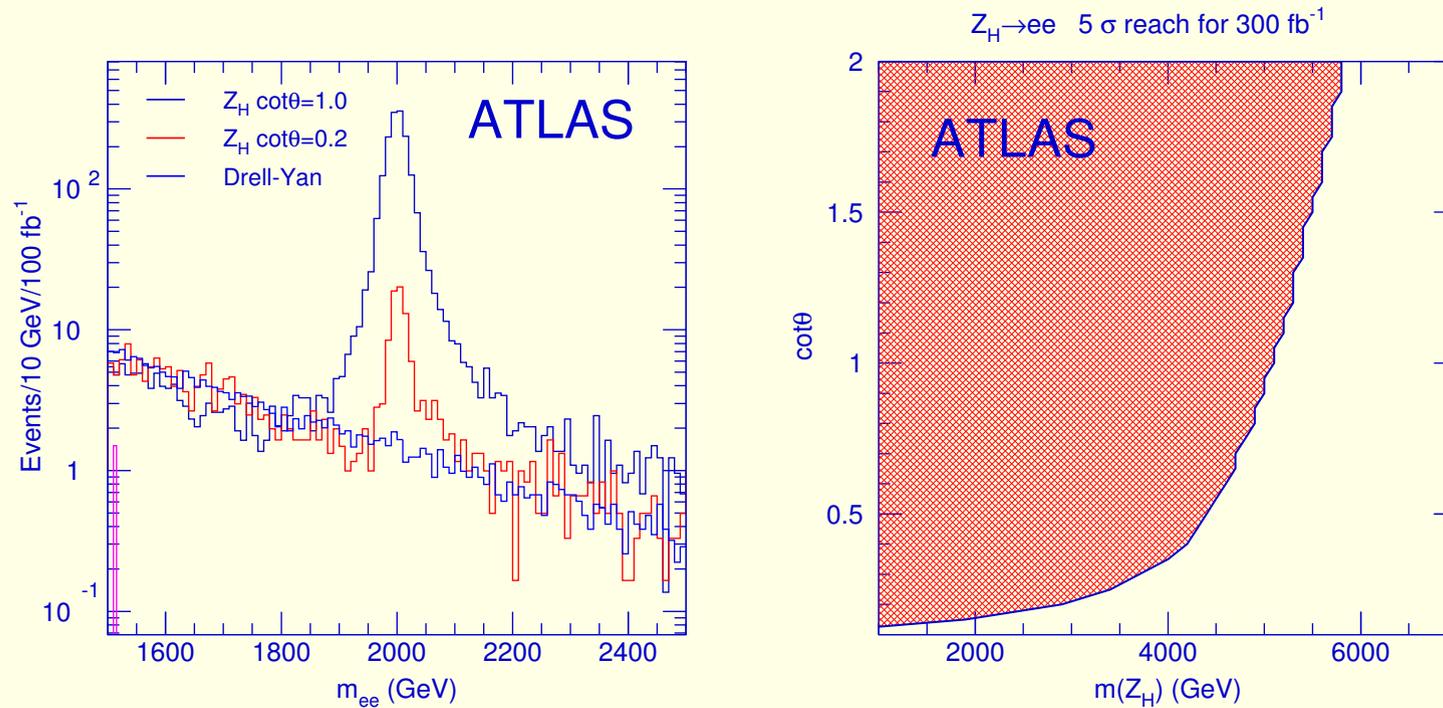
# New Bosons

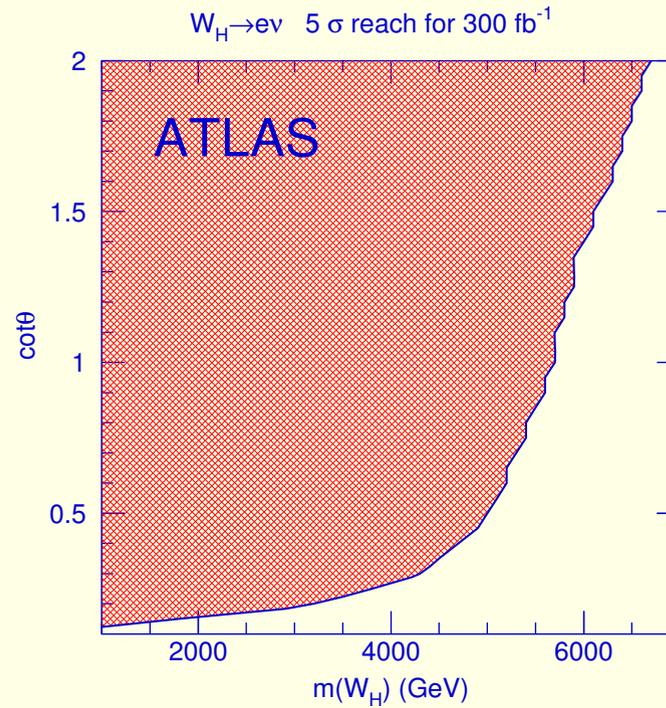
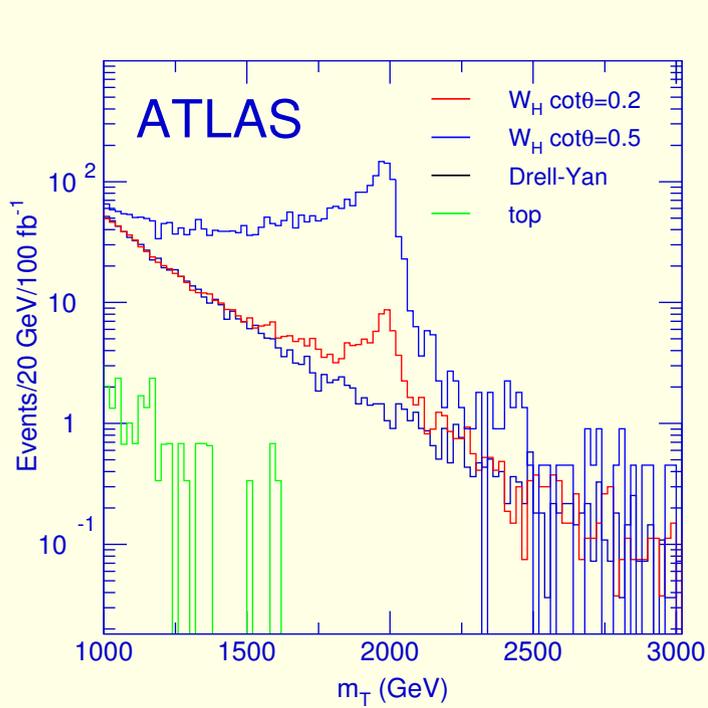
Expect two neutral and two charged:  $Z_H, A_H, W_H^\pm$  Model has two additional couplings corresponding to the extra  $SU(2) \times U(1)$ , Specify these using two angles  $\theta$  and  $\theta'$  (c.f.  $\theta_W$ )



# New Bosons – Leptonic decays

Clear signal over Drell-Yan background. Plot shows 2 TeV mass for  $Z_H$

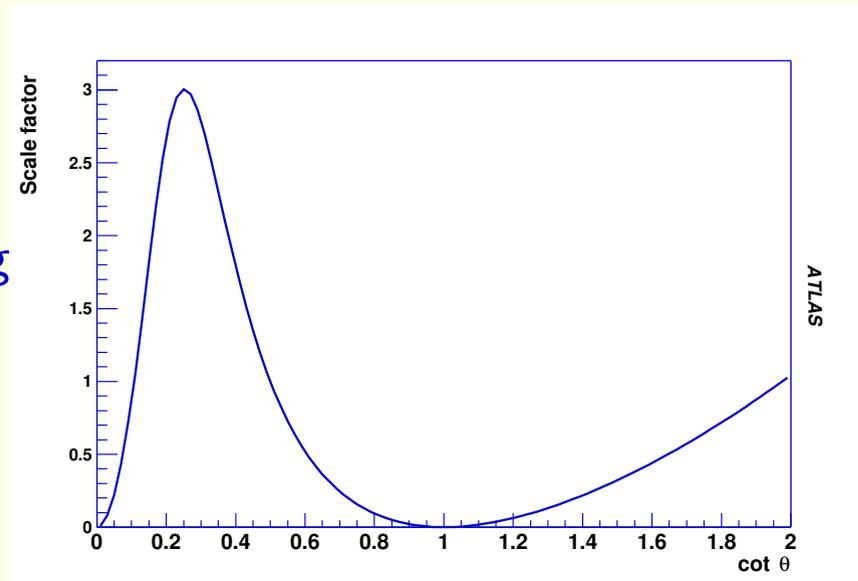




Clear signal in transverse mass of lepton and missing  $E_T$   
 Plot shows 2 TeV mass for  $W_H$

# New Bosons – Cascade decay $Z_H \rightarrow Zh$

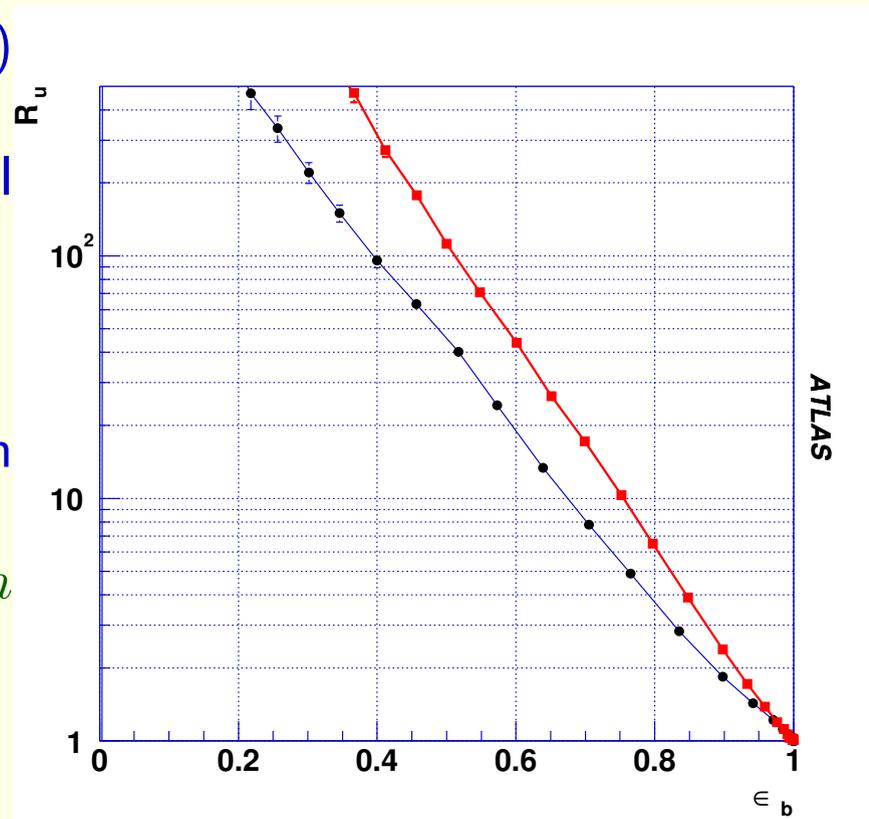
Production rate and Branching ratio depends on  $\theta$



$$Z_H \rightarrow Zh, h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$$

$b$  – jets from  $h$  (mass 120 GeV assumed)  
 are larger  $p_T$  than older samples  
 $b$  – tagging was validated with full  
 simulation in this case

Plot show tagging efficiency *vs* rejection  
 of light quark jets  
 Red line is old benchmark of  $Wh$   
 production  
 Black line is this case  
 Tagging is worse but adequate



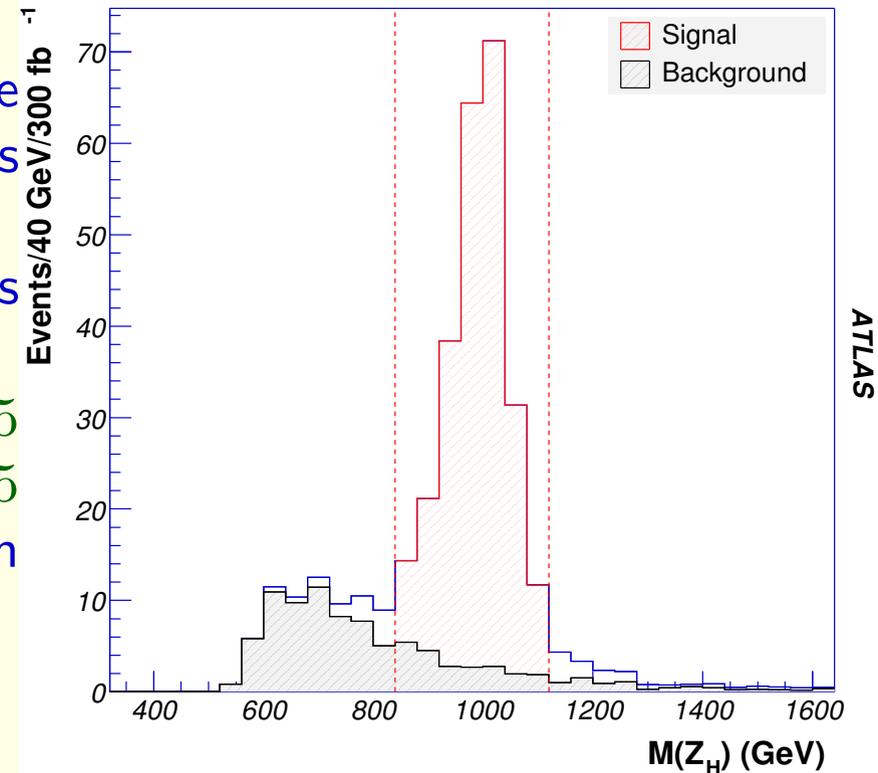
$$Z_H \rightarrow Zh \rightarrow b\bar{b}l^+l^-$$

Two leptons of opposite charge and same flavor with  $p_T > 6(5)$  GeV for muons (electrons) and  $|\eta| < 2.5$

The lepton pair should have a mass between 76 and 116 GeV

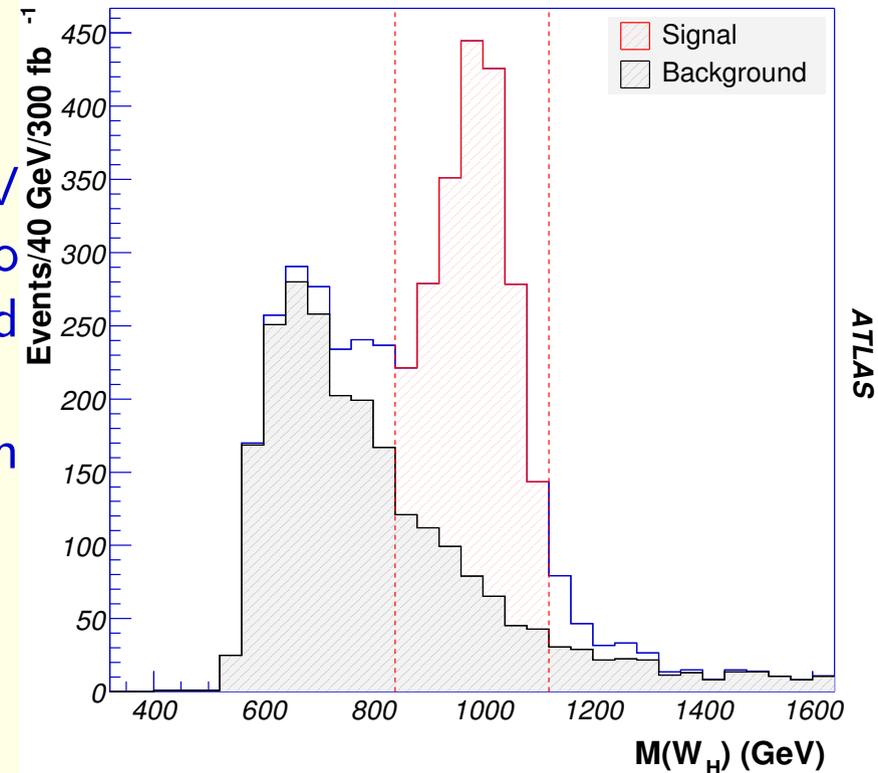
Two reconstructed  $b$ -jets with  $p_T > 25$  and  $|\eta| < 2.5$ , which are within  $\Delta R < 1.5$

The  $b$ -jet pair should have a mass between 60 and 180 GeV



$$W_H \rightarrow Wh \rightarrow b\bar{b}l\nu$$

One isolated  $e$  or  $\mu$  with  $p_T > 25$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$ .  $\cancel{E}_T > 25$  GeV Two reconstructed  $b$ -jets with  $p_T > 25$  and  $|\eta| < 2.5$ , which are within  $\Delta R < 1.5$  The  $b$ -jet pair should have a mass between 60 and 180 GeV



$$Z_H \rightarrow Zh, h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

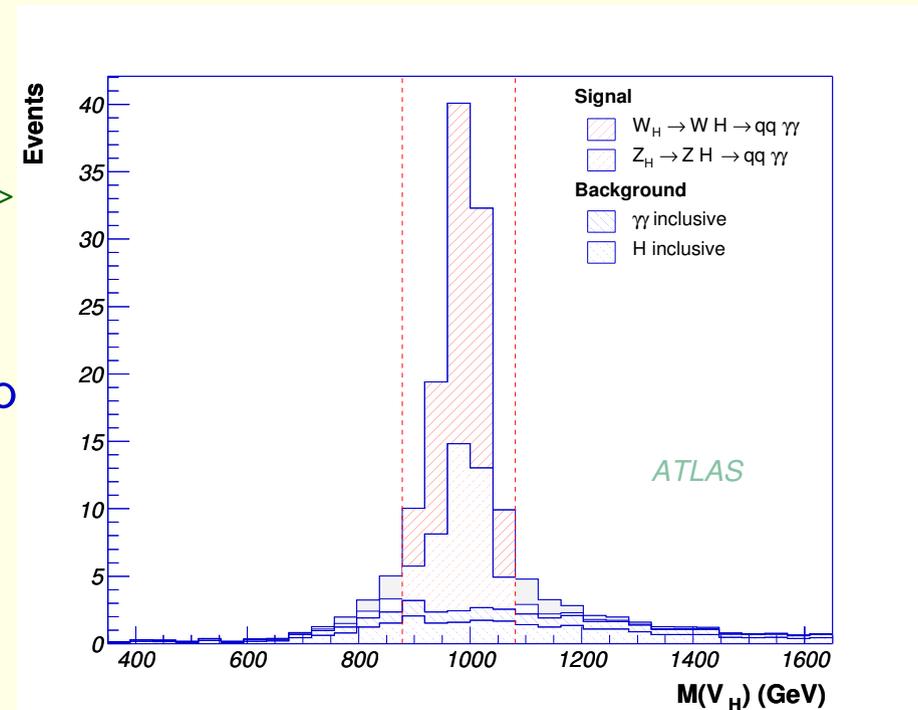
Must use all hadronic mode of  $Z$ : Cannot distinguish  $W_H$  from  $Z_H$

Two isolated photons one having  $p_T(1) > 25$  GeV,  $p_T(2) > 40$  GeV.

$$M(\gamma\gamma) = m_h \pm 2\sigma$$

The jet pair with invariant mass closest to  $M_W$  is selected.

Pair has a combined  $p_T > 200$  GeV



Can also extract signal via Jacobian peak in the  $P_T$  dist of Higgs

# Extra Higgs

$\phi^{++}$  produced by  $WW$  fusion: So must use the forward tagging jets

Two reconstructed positively charged isolated leptons (electrons or muons) with  $|\eta| < 2.5$

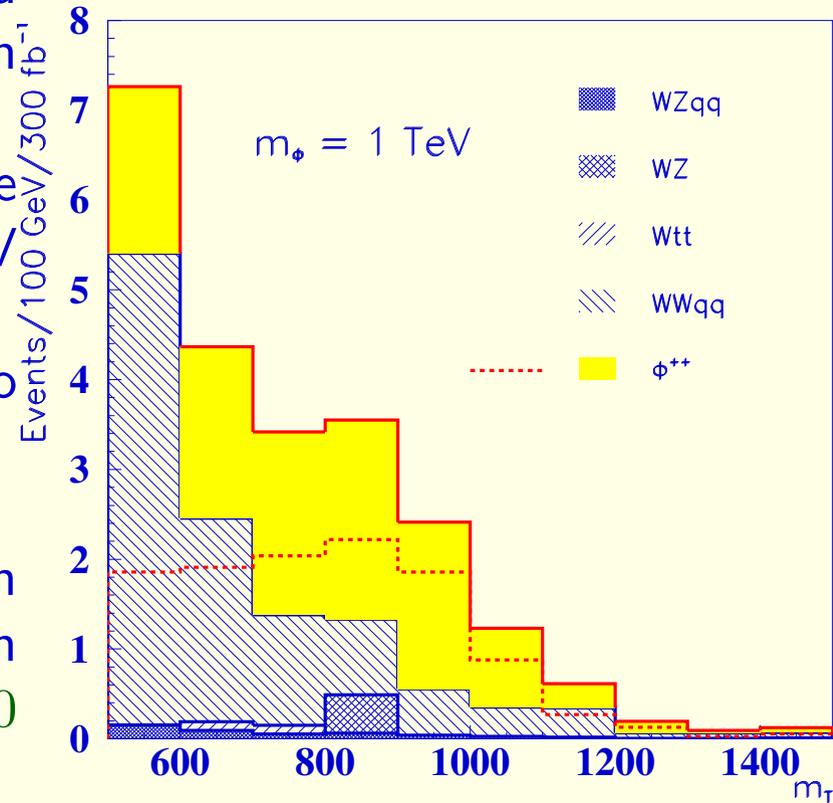
one of the leptons was required to have  $p_T > 150$  GeV and the other  $p_T > 20$  GeV

$|p_{T1} - p_{T2}| > 200$  GeV

the difference in pseudorapidity of the two leptons  $|\eta_1| - |\eta_2| < 2$ .

$\cancel{E}_T > 50$  GeV

Two jets each with  $p_T > 15$  GeV, with rapidities of opposite sign, separated in rapidity  $|\eta_1 - \eta_2| > 5$ ; one jet has  $E > 200$  GeV and the other  $E > 100$  GeV



# Summary of sensitivity

- $T$  Observable in both  $h(120)t$  (up to mass of 1.2 TeV) and  $Zt$  (up to mass 1.0 TeV):  
 $Wb$  is observable up to 1.3 TeV for  $\lambda_1/\lambda_2 = 1$
- $Z_H$  observable in  $e^+e^-$  to mass of 4.5 TeV for  $\cot\theta = 0.5$   
 $Z_H \rightarrow Zh(120) \rightarrow Zb\bar{b}$  observable for mass up to 2 TeV  
 $Z_H \rightarrow Zh(120) \rightarrow Z\gamma\gamma$  observable for masses up to 1.1 TeV
- $\phi^{++}$  may be observable in  $W^+W^+$  at 1.5 TeV

ATLAS can almost cover the full space



# What next?

- Some more channels to look at:  $T \rightarrow bW, h(200)$
- Some models have two doublet Higgs structure: reinterpret MSSM
- Produce note by end of June?

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