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Phenomenology of the Semi-Leptonic Double Higgs Channel

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Introduction

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The Higgs

- Higgs was experimentally discovered in 2012
- Confirmation of Standard Model predictions
- Parameterized Higgs self coupling term in the Higgs potential important to electroweak symmetry breaking, but weakly bound experimentally



Source

(a) Double Higgs decay



Introduction Background Process

Singular background process 100,000x larger than signal [4]





Introduction

Separating the sheep from the goats

- ▶ How do we differentiate between the signal and the background?
- Kinematic variables!
- Based off work on the di-leptonic channel [3] which is considered much better





Methods





Methods Procedure







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Total Generated Events

Significance =
$$\frac{S_{exp}}{\sqrt{B_{exp}}}$$

$$\mathsf{N}_{exp} = \mathsf{Acc}() \underbrace{\cdot \sigma \cdot \int L \, dt \cdot \mathsf{BR}()}_{\mathsf{Fixed}}$$









Results New Kinematic Variables



Figure 3: Parton Level ΔR_{lj} : angular separation between the lepton and one of the light jets

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Figure 4: Parton Level ΔR_{lb} : angular separation of the lepton and one of the b-jets

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Figure 5: Reconstructed invarient masses based off high level variables Higgsness and Topness

Results Significance

	N _{sig}	N _{bknd}	σ
Low Level (10) BDT from [2]	134.34	866,990.56	0.13
Low Level (10) NN	73.29	90,111.28	0.24
High Level (14) NN	54.63	31,897.80	0.31
Extra Variables (21) NN	78.87	40,669.67	0.39

Table 1: Comparison of Neural Networks with different inputs. N_{sig} and N_{bknd} calcuated using Eq. (1). We follow [1] and [3] for applying the high level variables to semi-leptonic channel.

Thank You!



Research Experiences For Undergraduates

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Low Level Kinematic Variables				
m _{jj}	Invariant mass of jets	m _{bb}	Invariant mass of the b-jets	
P_{T_l}	Transverse momentum of lepton	Ĕ⊤	Missing transverse momentum	
ΔR_{jj}	Angular separation between jets	$P_{T,ljj}$	Transverse momentum of <i>ljj</i>	
$P_{T,bb}$	Transverse momentum of b-jets	$\Delta \phi_{bb}$ Ijj	Angle between <i>bb</i> and <i>ljj</i> system	
ΔR_{bb}	Angle between b-jets	ΔR_{ljj}	Angle between <i>l</i> and <i>ljj</i> system	
ΔR_{bb}	Angular separation between b-jets	$\Delta R_{l jj}$	Angular separation of <i>l</i> and <i>bb</i>	
ΔR_{lj}	Angular separation of <i>l</i> and one <i>j</i>	ΔR_{lb}	Angular separation of <i>l</i> and one <i>b</i>	
Mid Level Kinematic Variables				
$m_{l\nu}^{H}$	Hness reconstructed $l u$ system	$m_{l\nu}^{T}$	Tness reconstructed $l u$ system	
$m^{H_{l u jj}}_{l u jj}$	Hness reconstructed $l u jj$ system	12		
High Level Kinematic Variables				
Tness	Consistent with <i>t</i> ¯ production?	Hness	Consistent with <i>hh</i> production?	
$\sqrt{\hat{s}_{min}^{(ljjbb)}}$	Minimum COM energy for <i>lbbjj</i>	$\sqrt{\hat{s}_{min}^{(ljj)}}$	Minimum COM energy for <i>ljj</i>	
Tness_T	Top Hypothesis Tness			

$$\chi_{ij} \equiv \min_{\vec{P}_{z}^{\nu}} \left[\frac{\left(m_{b_{i}l\nu}^{2} - m_{t}^{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{t}^{4}} + \frac{\left(m_{l\nu}^{2} - m_{W}^{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{W}^{4}} + \frac{\left(m_{b_{j}qq}^{2} - m_{t}^{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{t}^{2}} + \frac{\left(m_{qq}^{2} - m_{W}^{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{W}^{2}} \right]$$

$$T \equiv \min(\chi_{12}^2, \chi_{21}^2)$$

$$H \equiv \min_{\vec{P}_{z}^{\nu}} \left[\frac{\left(m_{l\nu qq}^{2} - m_{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{hl}^{4}} + \min\left(\frac{\left(m_{l+\nu}^{2} - m_{W}^{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{W}^{4}} + \frac{\left(m_{l-\overline{\nu}} - \left(m_{W^{*}}^{peak}\right)^{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{W^{*}}^{4}}, \frac{\left(m_{l-\overline{\nu}}^{2} - m_{W}^{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{W}^{4}} + \frac{\left(m_{l+\overline{\nu}} - \left(m_{W^{*}}^{peak}\right)^{2}\right)^{2}}{\sigma_{W^{*}}^{4}}\right)\right]$$

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