

Introduction



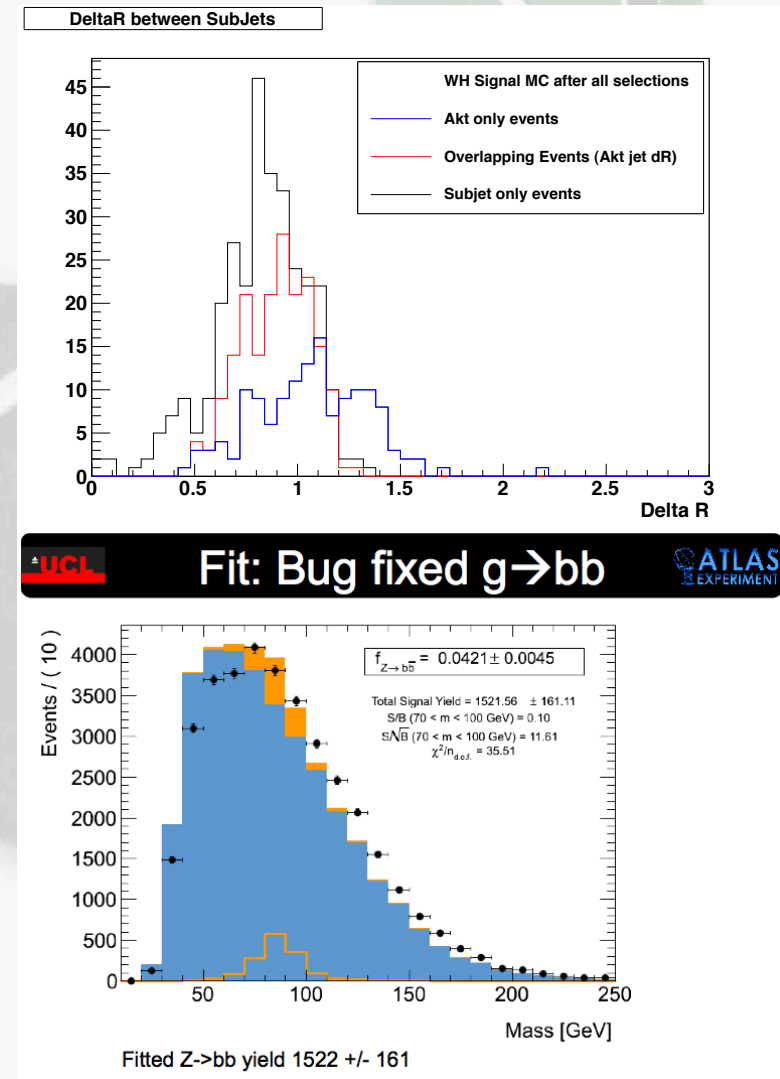
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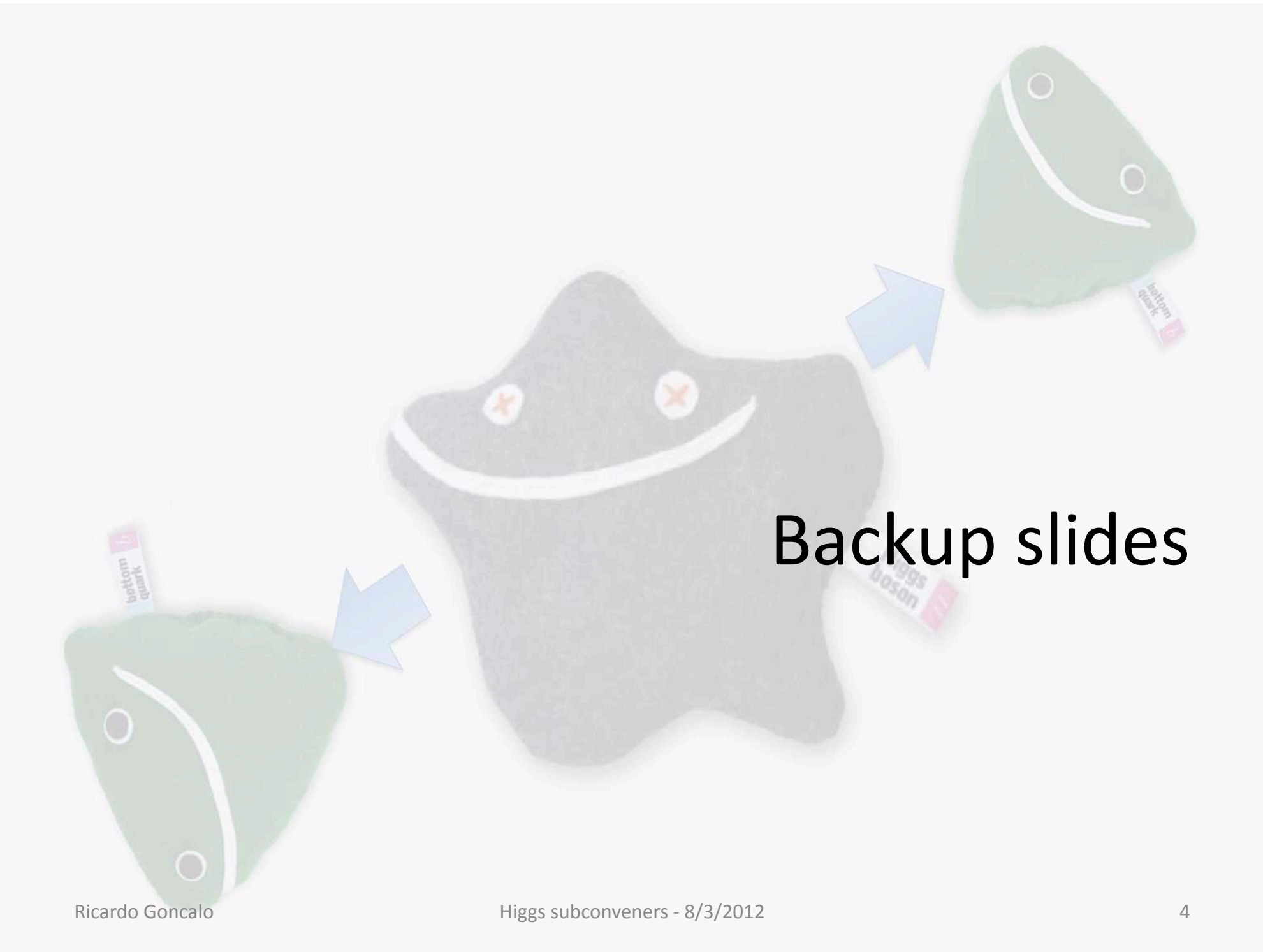
To do list for paper

- b-tagging scale factors:
 - Will use SFs in 5 bins and do 5 (x2) eigenvector variations to get systematic uncertainties
 - Will need a couple of days to put new SFs in the right interface code
 - Will need ≈ 3 days to run analyses once SFs are available plus a couple of days to test analysis results
- METUtility version changed:
 - Both pileup terms (note used since we use mu rescaling) and soft jet and cell out terms have changed
 - No impact on schedule – we'll do this once we have new b-tagging SFs
- b-jet energy scale:
 - llbb/lvbb used Scott's rescaling of jet p_T as in HSG2; vvbb used 1.05 scaling of $m(bb)$
 - Will meet with Tancredi tomorrow 11:30am to find out what his objections are
 - Would be ok with moving to 1.05 rescaling, but not so much with no rescaling, since this would imply moving sidebands down by 5%
- The theory uncertainties should be revisited slightly:
 - We used LO (Pythia) signal MC and assigned a flat 10% theory uncertainty (acceptance modelled at LO)
 - Apply uncertainty equal to difference between the LO and NLO QCD cross sections
 - Apply EW NLO corrections as a multiplicative factor to cross section in each bin (no effect on acceptance)
 - Cross-check size of uncertainties on $p_T(W/Z)$ and N_{jets} distributions
- Variation of single-top, W_c and Z_c backgrounds missing from vvbb analysis (in principle small)
 - Jake will estimate size of single-top uncertainty in vvbb – neglect if small
 - Andy will apply the W_c and Z_c variations to the output of the vvbb analysis
- Update text:
 - Explain better the methods used in analyses, especially concerning multiple scale factors and fits to data etc
 - Should we aim for longer paper or to remove much of the information and aim for a shorter paper?
 - Smoothing of the backgrounds in llbb/lvbb: should be mentioned in support note
- **Time scale for combination paper??**

Plans for Summer

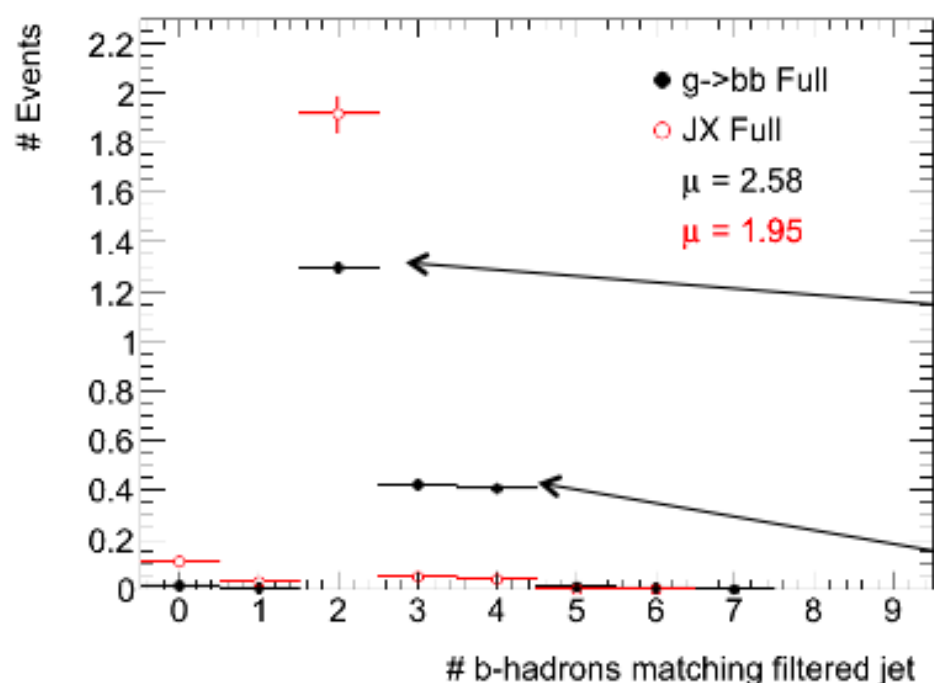
- Boosted H->bb
 - Add to WH analysis (maybe ZH) at highest $p_T^{W/Z}$
- Multivariate analyses
 - Already started, but needs to be pushed
- More interaction with CP groups:
 - Jets and MET – need to work more on this!
 - Would benefit (a lot!!) from better understanding of jet energy scale, MET, di-jet mass resolution
 - Already useful interaction with b-tagging
 - Improved H->bb b-tagging uncertainty
 - Useful interaction with Trigger:
 - $\nu\nu b\bar{b}$, VBF H->bb, b(b)H, boosted Z->bb trigger
- ttH activity ramping up
 - Stat-only limits of $\approx 15xSM$ with 1fb-1
 - But very affected by systematics (but early days)
 - Kinematic fit may improve things (also early days)
- Z->bb having difficulties:
 - Bug found in g->bb samples – being re-generated
 - Re-produced AFII g->bb – bad description of data
- Other channels to continue working:
 - VBF H->bb (MC hungry!), b(b)H





Backup slides

- Pythia tells us that the multijet background to this analysis is dominated by two b-hadrons within the fat-jet that are resolved as two subjets i.e. $g \rightarrow bb$ splitting.
- We wrote a filter to produce a Pythia sample enriched in these events:
 - Events passed only if at least two b-hadrons could be associated to a C-A 1.2 truth fat-jet.
- Have since discovered a bug in this filter:
 - When labelling b-hadrons the filter was taking only those with positive PDG ID.



Those events with 2 b-hadrons are dominated by meson-baryon as opposed to meson-meson.

Much greater fraction of fat-jet with 3 or more b-hadrons (dominant biasing effect)

Boosted Z->bb

- Z->bb analysis with jet substructure in HSG5
 - Perfect calibration for boosted H->bb!
- An exciting Z->bb peak can be seen after background subtraction
 - And (perhaps even more exciting?!) there is a shoulder just above the Z mass... at around 126GeV ☺
 - Caveat: get excited, but don't get too excited!
 - A lot of work has been going on to test the results
- Much progress made so far
 - But many questions remain and must be answered
 - Observing the Z->bb in this analysis would be fantastic!
- Current status:
 - Now looking at full simulation MC
 - Observations in D-J is still there in periods K-M!
 - D – J with trigger EF_j100_a4tc_EFFS_ht350
 - K – M with trigger EF_j100_a4tc_EFFS_ht400
 - See Luke Lambourne's talk at HSG5 meeting:
<https://indico.cern.ch/conferenceDisplay.py?confid=167396>

