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The case of Higgs boson production in $H \to ZZ^*$ decay

Introduction to the Particle Physics Data Analysis

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Outline

Physics motivation

The physics motivation for the measurement:

- a good test for the SM,
- a measurement of inclusive and differential fiducial cross sections,
- tests of the spin and parity of the Higgs boson,
- test of perturbative QCD calculations.

The Feynman diagram

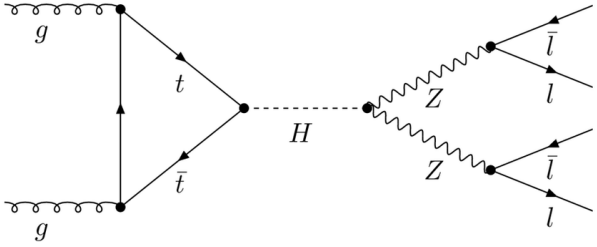

Figure: Feynman diagram for $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$ decay [3].

Expected number of events

Expected number of events equals:

$$N^{H\to ZZ^*\to 4\ell} = \sigma^{H\to ZZ^*\to 4\ell}_{incl} \cdot L_{int}, \tag{1}$$

where:

$$\sigma^{H\to ZZ^*\to 4\ell}_{incl} = 3{,}62\ fb^{-1},$$
$$L_{int} = 10{,}06\ fb^{-1}.$$

$$N^{H\to ZZ^*\to 4\ell} = 3,62\ \mathrm{fb} \cdot 10,06\ \mathrm{fb}^{-1} = 36,42. \tag{2}$$

Number of Leptons

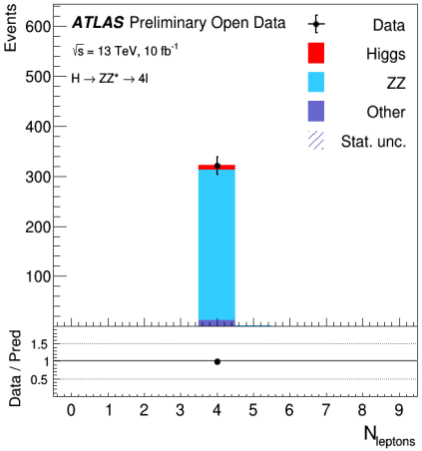

Figure: The histogram with number of leptons.

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On the interpretation of Feynman diagrams, or, did the LHC experiments observe the Higgs to gamma gamma decay?