

CMS Studies: Comparison of EFT Monte Carlo modeling of the Higgs boson couplings

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Motivation

The general ideas and techniques presented here apply to more than HVV coupling measurements

Many tools for modelling EFT effects

Madgraph (Full EFT)

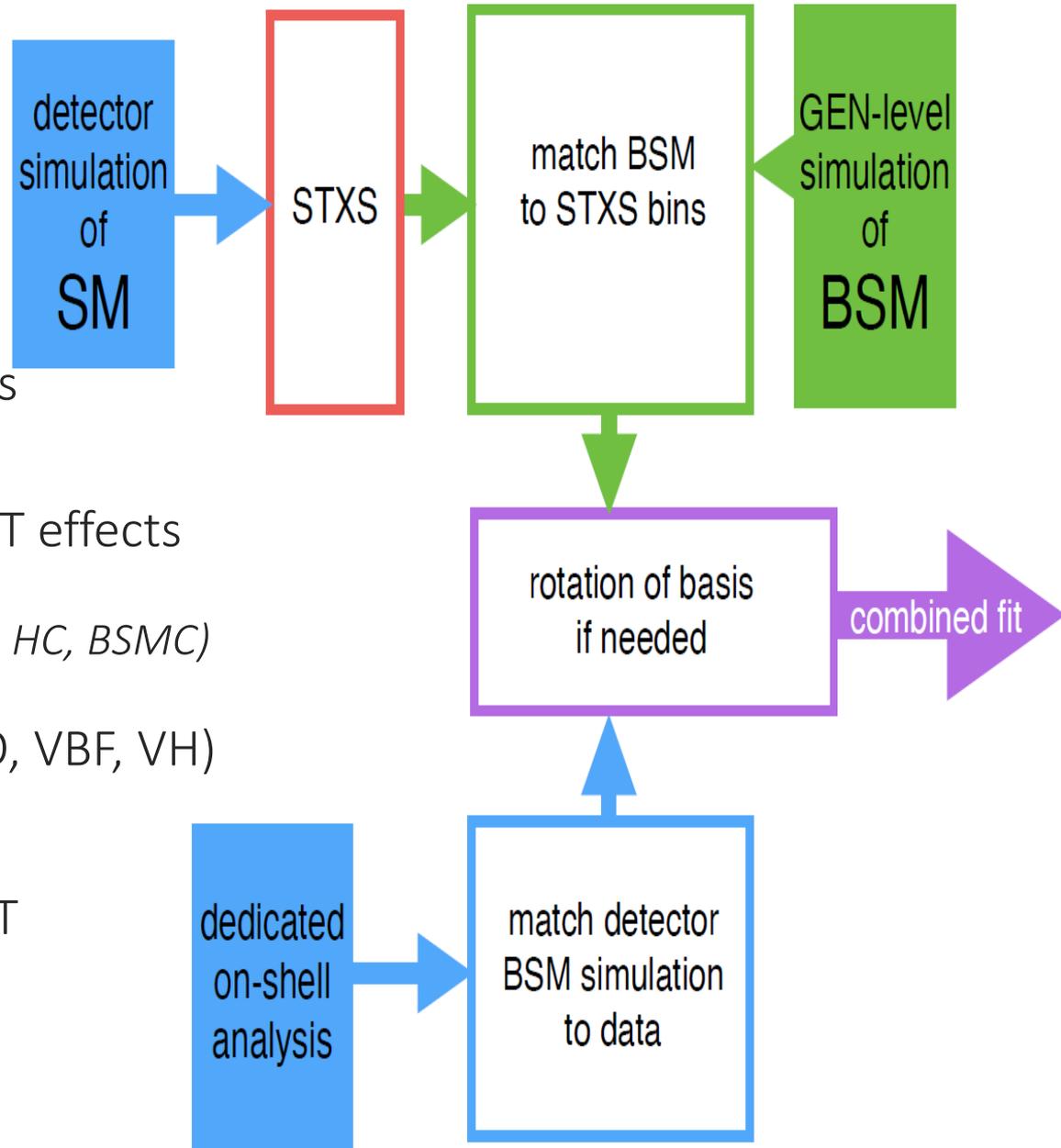
-(*SMEFTSim*, *SMEFT@NLO*, *HC*, *BSMC*)

JHUGen (Higgs EFT)

HAWK (Higgs EFT EWNLO, VBF, VH)

Analytic functions

In order to interpret any EFT measurement correctly, all conventions must be understood fully



SMEFT operator bases:

(1) “Anomalous Couplings” + $SU(2) \times U(1)$ symmetry

most direct map to observables (e.g. Z/γ instead of B^0/W^0)

historically used in CMS Higgs since 2012 — most recent CMS: [arxiv:2104.12152](https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.12152)

(2) Warsaw basis with built-in $SU(2) \times U(1)$ symmetry (B^0, W^0, W^1, W^2)

most convenient for computation (e.g. min. derivatives) — target of global fits

(3) SILH basis (strongly-interacting light Higgs) — CMS: [inspire:1774836](https://inspirehep.net/literature/1774836)

more direct map to some BSM models

“Anomalous Couplings”

Warsaw basis

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta\mathcal{L}_h = & \frac{h}{v} \left[2\delta c_w m_W^2 W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} + \delta c_z m_Z^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu \right. \\
 & + c_{gg} \frac{g_s^2}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu} + c_{ww} \frac{g^2}{2} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu} + c_{zz} \frac{g^2}{4c_\theta^2} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} \\
 & + c_{z\gamma} \frac{gg'}{2} Z_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + c_{\gamma\gamma} \frac{g'^2 c_\theta^2}{4} A_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} \\
 & + c_{w\Box} g^2 (W_\mu^- \partial_\nu W^{+\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}) + c_{z\Box} g^2 Z_\mu \partial_\nu Z^{\mu\nu} \\
 & \left. + c_{\gamma\Box} gg' Z_\mu \partial_\nu A^{\mu\nu} \right]. \tag{7}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta\mathcal{L}_h^W = & \frac{1}{v^2} \left[c_{GG} \frac{g_s^2}{4} \Phi^\dagger \Phi G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu} + c_{WW} \frac{g^2}{4} \Phi^\dagger \Phi W_{\mu\nu}^i W_i^{\mu\nu} \right. \\
 & + c_{WB} gg' \Phi^\dagger \sigma_i \Phi W_{\mu\nu}^i B^{\mu\nu} + c_{BB} \frac{g'^2}{4} \Phi^\dagger \Phi B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} \\
 & \left. + c_H \partial_\mu [\Phi^\dagger \Phi] \partial^\mu [\Phi^\dagger \Phi] + c_T [\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \Phi] [\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi] \right]. \tag{11}
 \end{aligned}$$

Basis Translation and Tools

[arxiv:1508.05895](https://arxiv.org/abs/1508.05895)

Rosetta allows for translation between different EFT operator basis

Covers full EFT basis

For our study, we use JHUGenLexicon, which is integrated with JHUGen

Supports translation of HVV couplings

[arxiv:2109.13363](https://arxiv.org/abs/2109.13363)

$$\begin{aligned} \delta g_1^{ZZ} &= \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(2w_{\phi bx} + \frac{6e^2}{s_w^2} w_{\phi BW} + \left(\frac{3c_w^2}{2s_w^2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) w_{\phi D} \right), & g_4^{ZZ} &= -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(s_w^2 w_{\phi \tilde{B}} + c_w^2 w_{\phi \tilde{W}} + s_w c_w w_{\phi B \tilde{W}} \right), \\ \kappa_1^{ZZ} &= \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(-\frac{2e^2}{s_w^2} w_{\phi BW} + \left(1 - \frac{1}{2s_w^2} \right) w_{\phi D} \right), & g_4^{Z\gamma} &= -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(s_w c_w (w_{\phi \tilde{W}} - w_{\phi \tilde{B}}) + \frac{1}{2} (s_w^2 - c_w^2) w_{\phi B \tilde{W}} \right), \\ g_2^{ZZ} &= -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(s_w^2 w_{\phi B} + c_w^2 w_{\phi W} + s_w c_w w_{\phi BW} \right), & g_4^{\gamma\gamma} &= -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(c_w^2 w_{\phi \tilde{B}} + s_w^2 w_{\phi \tilde{W}} - s_w c_w w_{\phi B \tilde{W}} \right), \\ g_2^{Z\gamma} &= -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(s_w c_w (w_{\phi W} - w_{\phi B}) + \frac{1}{2} (s_w^2 - c_w^2) w_{\phi BW} \right), & g_4^{gg} &= -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} w_{\phi \tilde{G}}, \\ g_2^{\gamma\gamma} &= -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(c_w^2 w_{\phi B} + s_w^2 w_{\phi W} - s_w c_w w_{\phi BW} \right), & & \\ g_2^{gg} &= -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} w_{\phi G}, & & \end{aligned}$$

 HVV translations used in this study

Conventions on HVV couplings

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JHUGen

HAWK

Analytical

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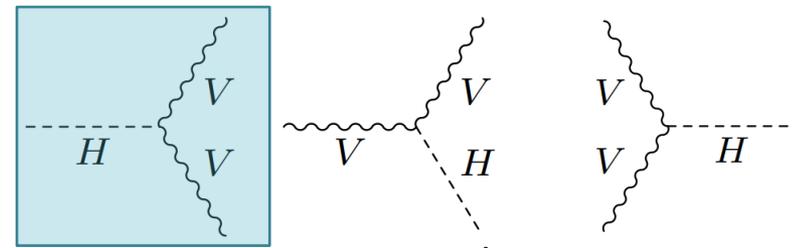
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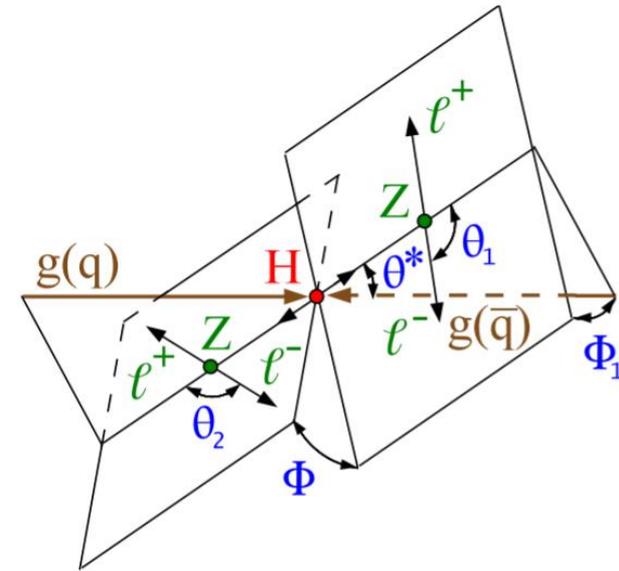
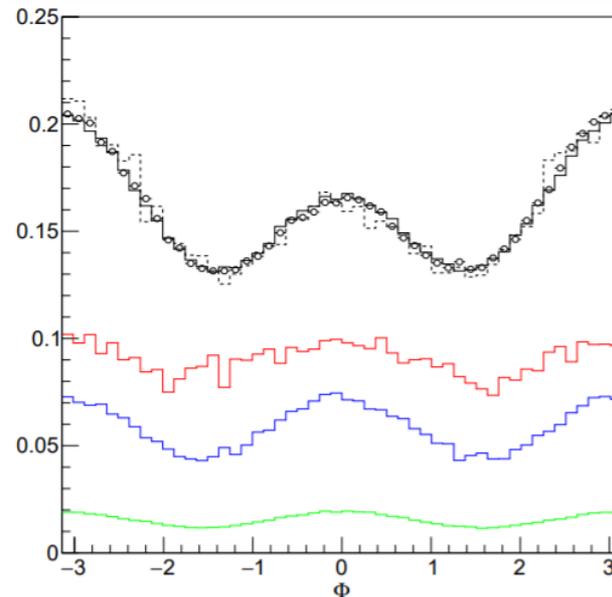
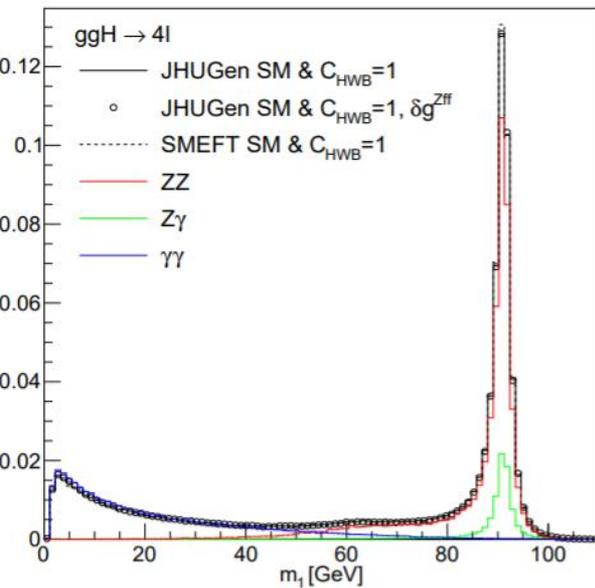
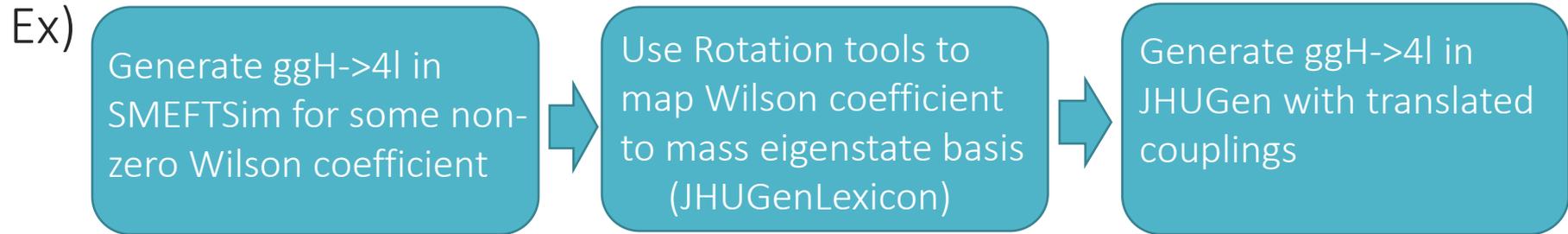
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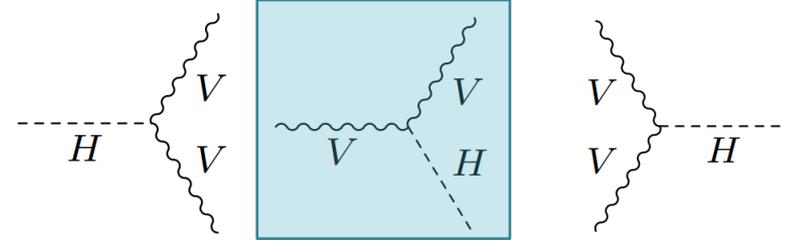
Comparisons of Tools



Rotation tools produce excellent agreement between samples generated with different EFT operator bases



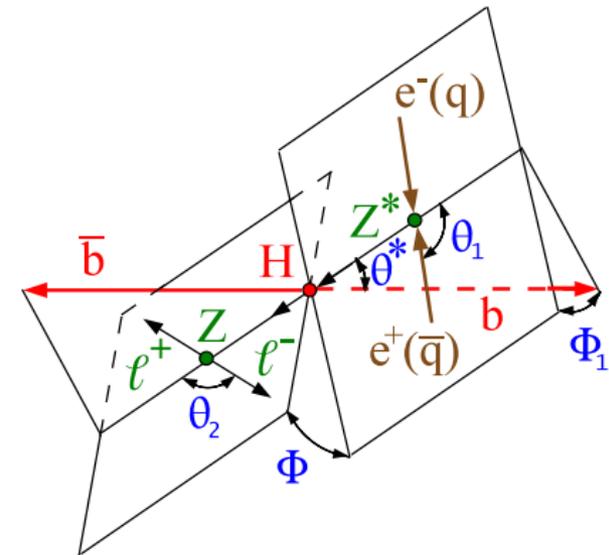
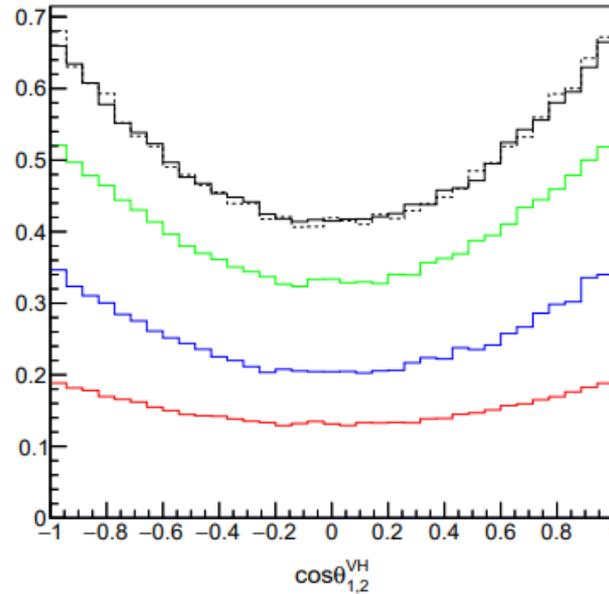
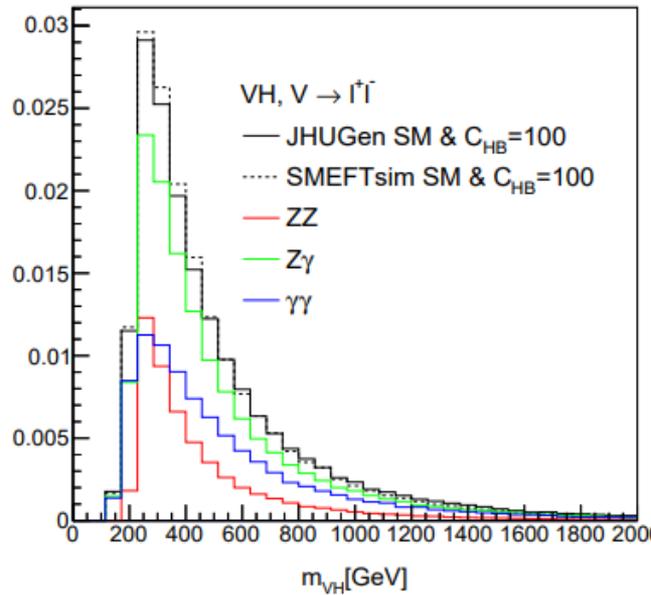
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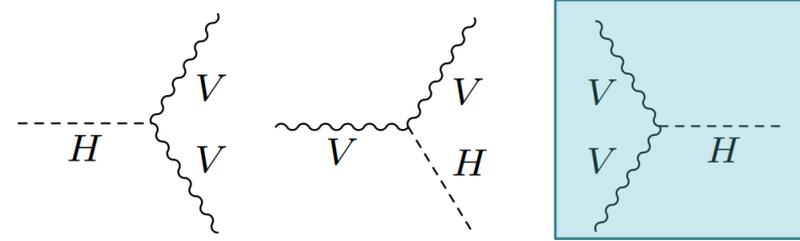
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Verified in MadGraph(SMEFTSim,BSMC), JHUGen and HAWK

Comparison to HAWK and BSMC will be shown later



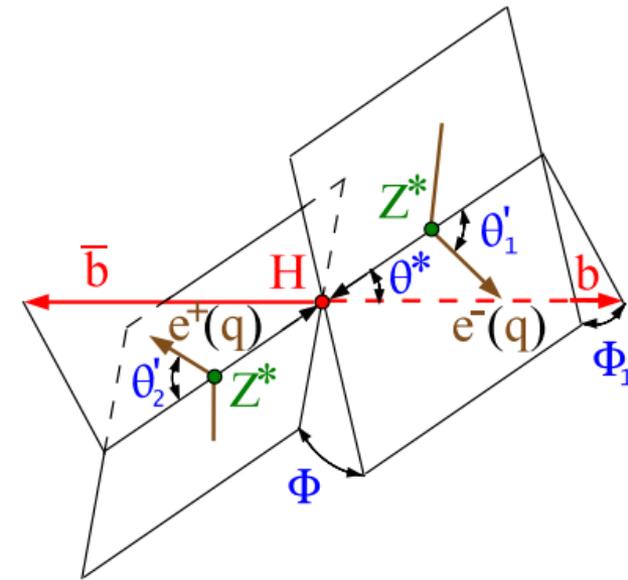
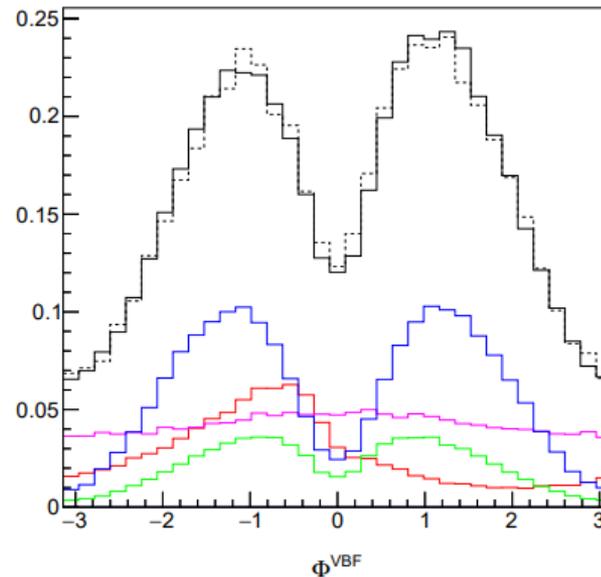
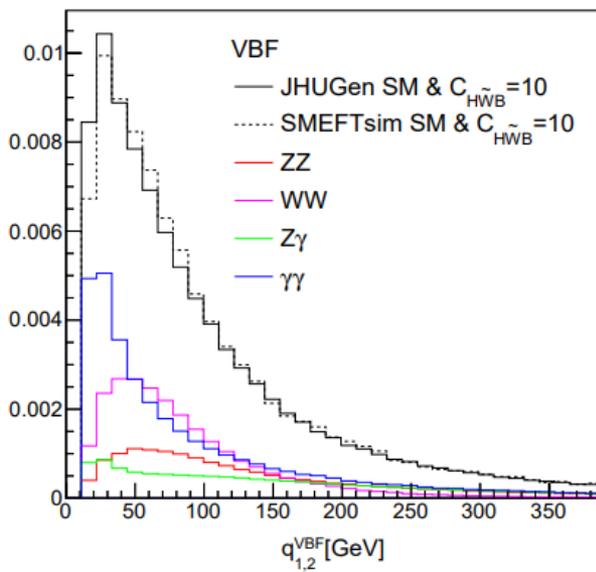
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Summary of Conventions

We observe great agreement across all tools for many Higgs Processes

HOWEVER

Agreement requires precise understanding of underlying structure of tools

- (1) $ggH, \gamma\gamma H, \gamma ZH$ opposite sign (CP-odd) vs $t\bar{t}H$ in **MadGraph**
- (2) $\epsilon_{0123} = +1$ in **MadGraph, JHUGen, and Analytical**
 $\epsilon^{0123} = +1 \Rightarrow \epsilon_{0123} = -1$ in **HAWK** (sign switch in v3.0.1)
- (3) $D_\mu = \partial_\mu - i \frac{e}{2s_w} \sigma^i W_\mu^i - i \frac{e}{2c_w} B_\mu$ in **MadGraph** and **Analytical**
 $D_\mu = \partial_\mu - i \frac{e}{2s_w} \sigma^i W_\mu^i + i \frac{e}{2c_w} B_\mu$ in **HAWK** and **JHUGen**
- (4) Using point-like couplings to approximate EWNLO effects
- (5) Analytical calculation of point like couplings

(1) Sign of CP odd terms in ggH

Testing $pp \rightarrow H + \text{jets}$ discovered [sign difference](#) in connecting cp-even cp-odd Hgg couplings

The κ_Q and $\tilde{\kappa}_Q$ couplings are connected to the g_2^{gg} and g_4^{gg} point-like interactions introduced in Eq. (1) through

[arXiv:2002.09888](#)

$$g_2^{gg} = -\alpha_s \kappa_Q / (6\pi), \quad g_4^{gg} = -\alpha_s \tilde{\kappa}_Q / (4\pi)$$

same sign in **JHUGen** - CMS results rely on this

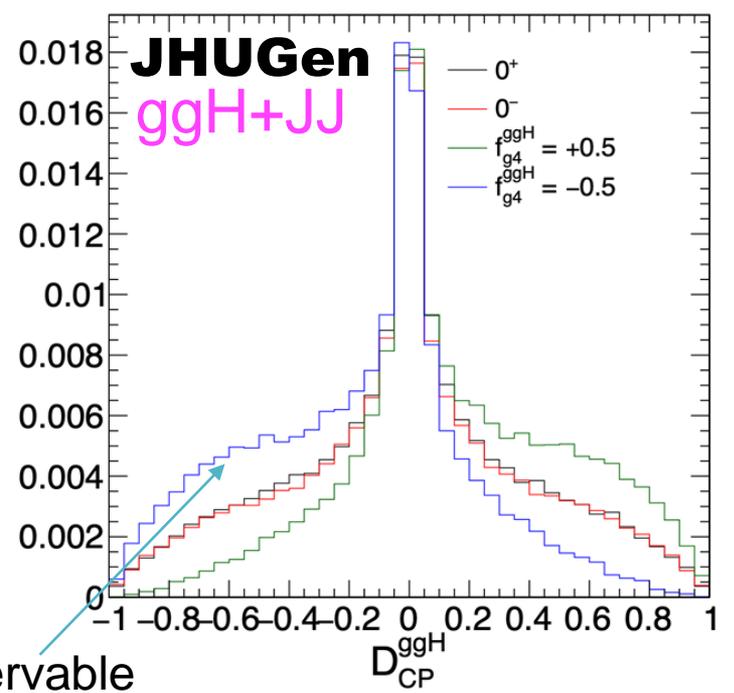
$g_{Xyy'} \times v$	ff	ZZ/WW	$\gamma\gamma$	$Z\gamma$	gg
H	m_f	$2m_{Z/W}^2$	$47\alpha_{EM}/18\pi$	$C(94 \cos^2 \theta_W - 13)/9\pi$	$-\alpha_s/3\pi$
A	m_f	0	$4\alpha_{EM}/3\pi$	$2C(8 \cos^2 \theta_W - 5)/3\pi$	$\alpha_s/2\pi$

Table 2. Values in units of v taken by the couplings $g_{Xyy'}$. $C = \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_{EM} G_F m_Z^2}{8\sqrt{2}\pi}}$.

opposite sign in **MadGraph** [arXiv:1306.6464](#)

Solution: Change the model and all the documentation or to have the sign mismatch clearly documented somewhere

makes a difference in $ttH + ggH$ (!) effect in observable distributions



(2)VBF: Sign of Anti-symmetric tensor

Compare sign of $c_{\gamma\gamma}$ and $\widetilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma}$ \rightarrow Simulate $c_{\gamma\gamma}$ and $\widetilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma}$ no SM

Higgs Characterization (MadGraph)

JHUGen $\epsilon_{0123} = +1 \rightarrow$ Relative sign $\frac{c_{\gamma\gamma}}{\widetilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma}} = 1$

HAWK $\epsilon_{0123} = -1 \rightarrow$ Relative sign $\frac{c_{\gamma\gamma}}{\widetilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma}} = -1$

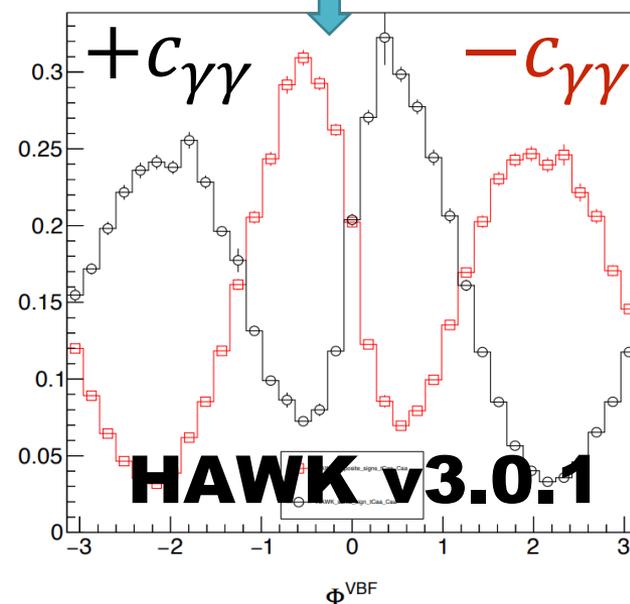
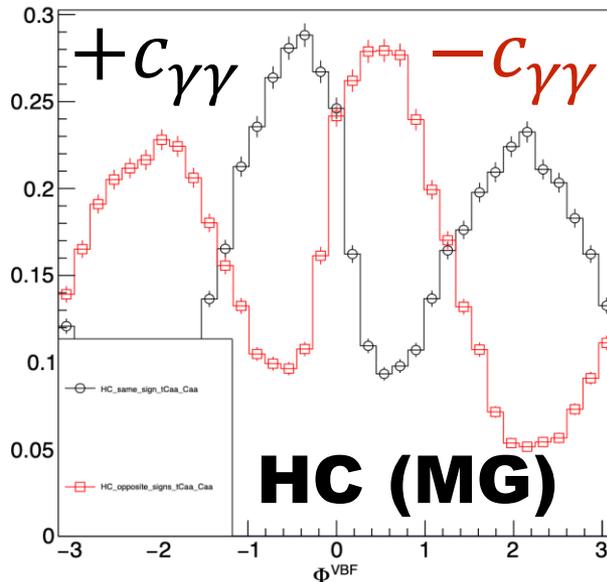
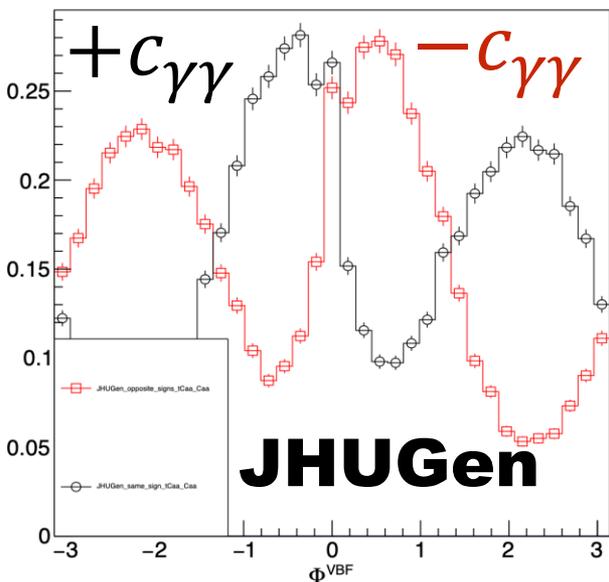
CP-sensitive observables dependent on relative sign
Differences expected due to sign convention

-Fix $\widetilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma} = 1$

-Simulate $c_{\gamma\gamma} = 1$ and $c_{\gamma\gamma} = -1$

-Compare distributions

Consistent with expectations since
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(3) Sign convention: covariant derivative

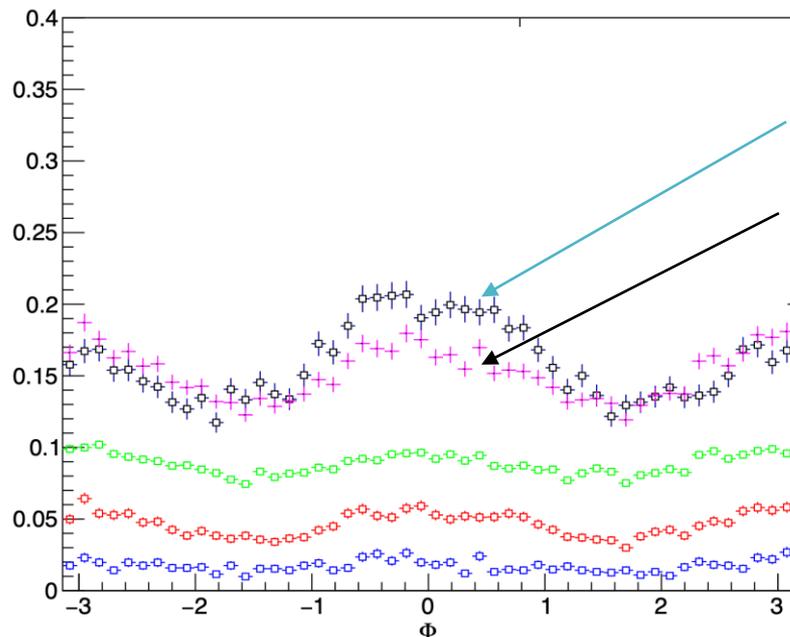
$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - i \frac{e}{2s_w} \sigma^i W_\mu^i - i \frac{e}{2c_w} B_\mu \quad \text{MadGraph}$$

$$c_{HW} = -0.0929 g_2^{ZZ} - 0.0513 g_2^{ZY} - 0.0281 g_2^{YY}$$

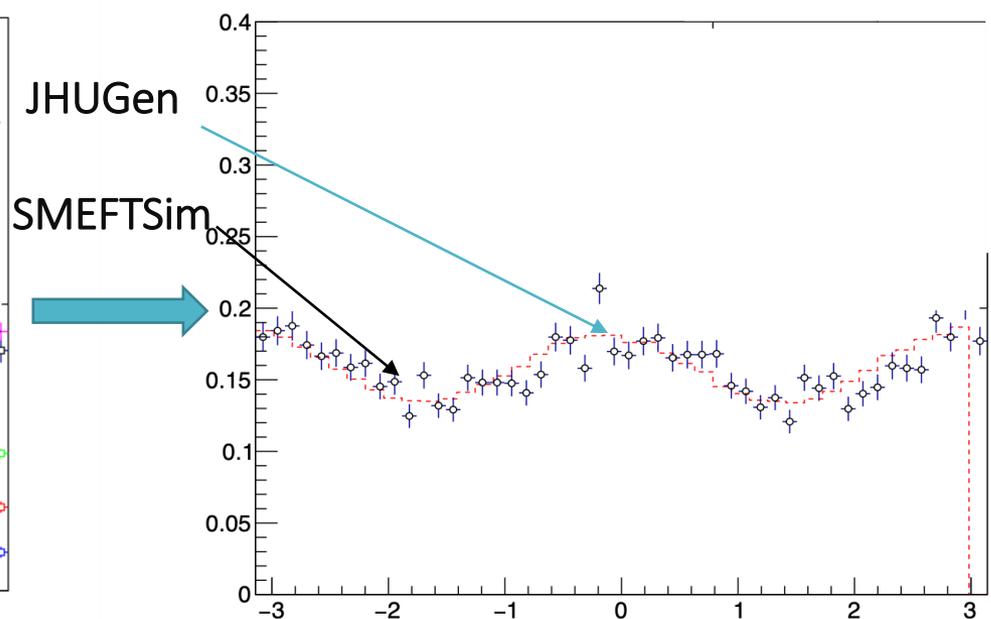
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$$c_{HW} = -0.0929 g_2^{ZZ} + 0.0513 g_2^{ZY} - 0.0281 g_2^{YY}$$

Sign difference in Covariant derivative definition, if not accounted for can affect observables



Incorrect assumptions



Correct assumptions

JHUGen
SMEFTSim



(4) NLO EW vs. Ad-Hoc

Effective point-like couplings $g_2^{Z\gamma}$ and $g_2^{\gamma\gamma}$ correctly model on-shell $H \rightarrow Z\gamma, \gamma\gamma$

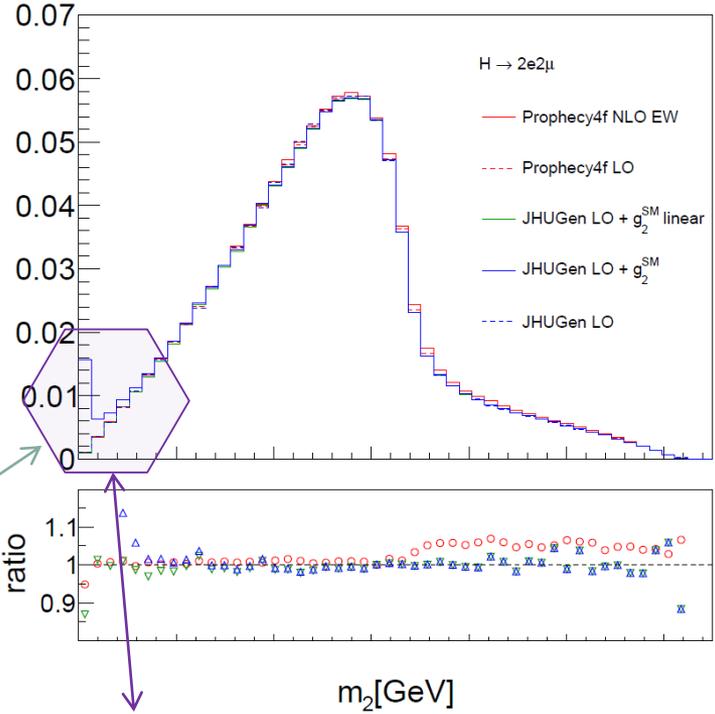
Used sometimes to model NLO EW effects in Higgs processes with off-shell photons

SMEFTSim (SMHLOOP=1)

JHUGen $g_2^{Z\gamma,SM} = 0.00675$ $g_2^{\gamma\gamma,SM} = 0.00423$

Type of Correction	Correction to SM
EW NLO (Prophecy4f)	+1.50 %
LO+Effective g2 (JHUGen)	+1.96 %
LO+Effective g2 (Linear Only)	-0.60 %

$$\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow 4l} \propto (g_1^{ZZ})^2 + \underbrace{\dots (g_1^{ZZ})(g_2^{Z\gamma,SM})}_{\text{Linear Terms Full EW NLO}} + \underbrace{\dots + \dots (g_2^{\gamma\gamma,SM})^2}_{\text{Squared Terms Effective g2}} + \dots$$



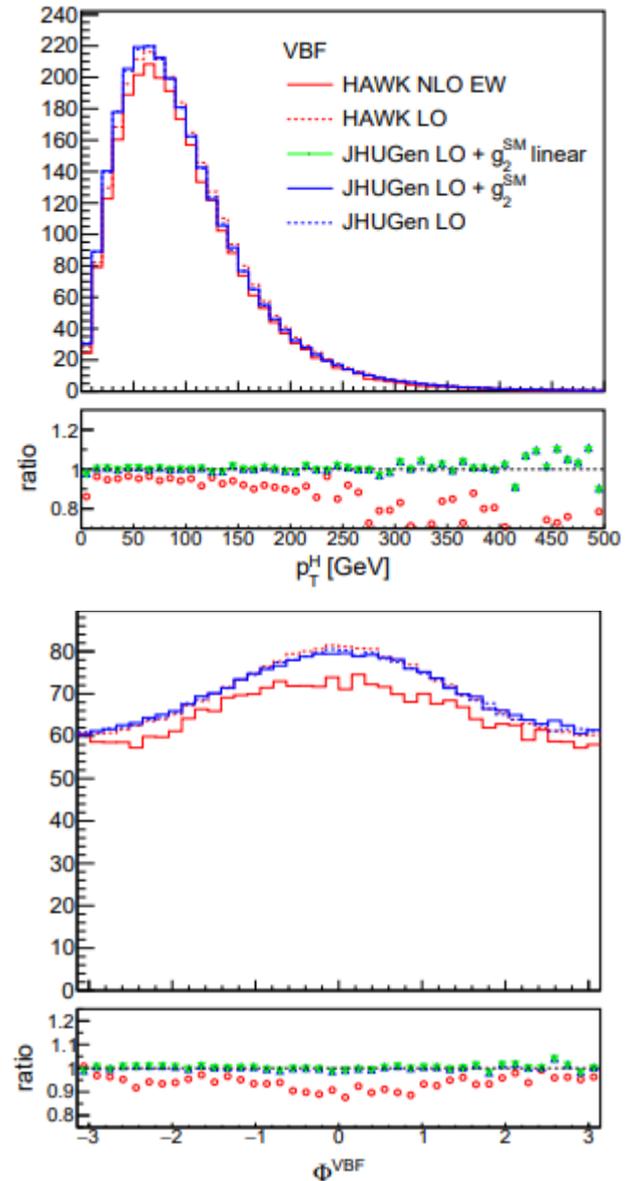
Squared terms for effective point-like couplings have different decay kinematics than NLO EW corrections

(4) NLO EW vs. Ad-Hoc

Type of Correction	Correction to SM
EW NLO (HAWK)	-6.7 %
LO+Effective g2 (JHUGen)	≠ +0.2 %
LO+Effective g2 (Linear Only)	+0.1 %

Effective SM EW corrections, do not account for NLO corrections to SM cross sections

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(5) Analytical Calculations

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SMEFTsim EW

same sign (SMHLOOP):
 $c_\gamma^{SM} \propto gHaa < 0$
 $c_{Z\gamma}^{SM} \propto gHza < 0$

MG (HC) [arXiv:1306.6464.v3](https://arxiv.org/abs/1306.6464)

Relative sign of $\gamma\gamma$ vs $Z\gamma$ was an issue which seems to get a general agreement now. The CP-odd part also checked by Werner Bernreuther and Long Chen

[arXiv:1207.1093v3](https://arxiv.org/abs/1207.1093)

$$c_g^{(SM)}(125 \text{ GeV}) = 1, \quad c_\gamma^{(SM)}(125 \text{ GeV}) = -6.48, \quad c_{Z\gamma}^{(SM)}(125 \text{ GeV}) = -10.96 \quad (7)$$

$$+ c_g \frac{\alpha_s}{12\pi v} h G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} + c_\gamma \frac{\alpha}{8\pi v} h F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + c_{Z\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{8\pi v s_w} h F_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu}$$

[arXiv:1207.1093v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/1207.1093)

$$c_{Z\gamma}^{(SM)}(125 \text{ GeV}) = 5.48$$

Thanks to Ian Low for an update

opposite sign

Analytical calculations are now in agreement with Monte Carlo tools

Conclusion

Many useful tools for modelling EFT in the Higgs sector

We have good tools for EFT bases translation

- Allow for comparison of different EFT measurements
- Translations show that all tools are now consistent

Translations are only valid once all conventions are considered

- In this study, EFT effects only in HVV couplings are sorted out
- May be other examples in other EFT measurements
- Conventions need to be agreed upon or well documented