

Dim-8 operators in double Higgs production

Vector Boson Fusion

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based on project in progress

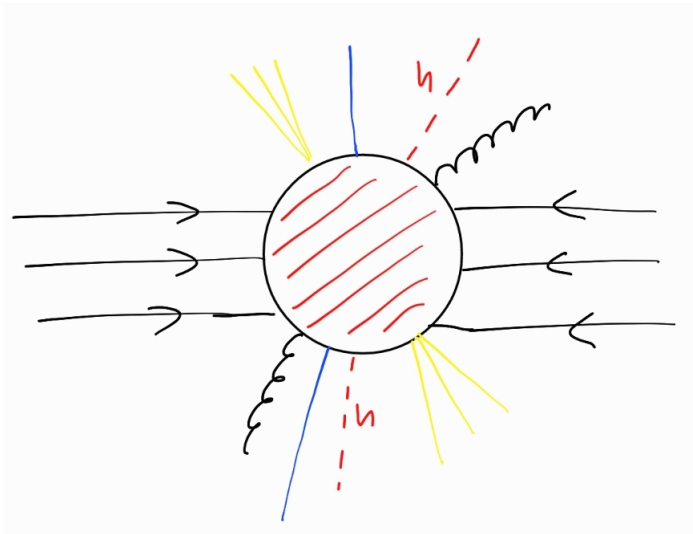
Effective Field Theory in Multiboson Production

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Outline

1. Double Higgs production - introduction
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3. Dim-6 and dim-8 bosonic SMEFT operators relevant for VBF di-Higgs
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Double Higgs production



Double Higgs production #1

- Understanding Higgs sector and mechanism of EWSB
- Probing Higgs self-coupling λ

$$V(\phi) = -m^2\phi^\dagger\phi + \lambda(\phi^\dagger\phi)^2$$

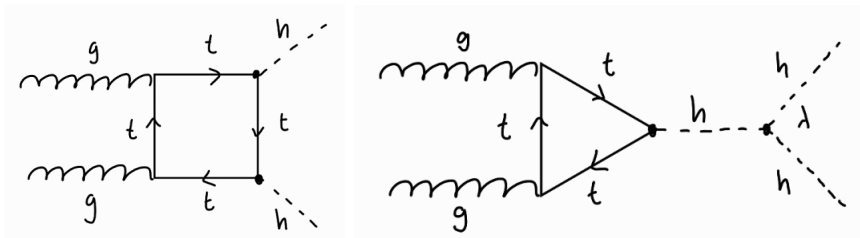
- Potential sensitivity to BSM physics,
with current constraints (LHC $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV):

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow hh) < 2.4 \times \sigma^{SM}(pp \rightarrow hh) \quad [2211.01216] \text{ ATLAS}$$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow hh) < 3.4 \times \sigma^{SM}(pp \rightarrow hh) \quad [2207.00043] \text{ CMS}$$

Double Higgs production via gluon fusion (ggF)

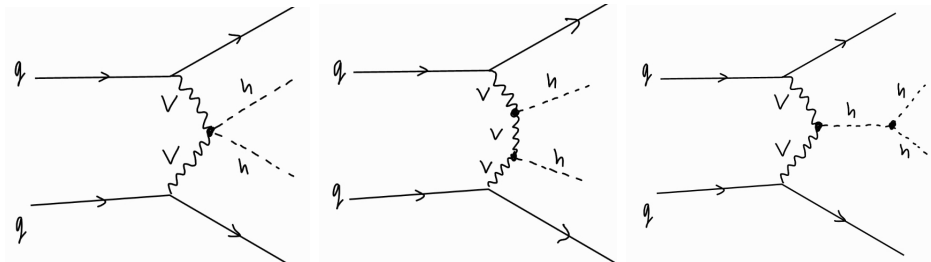
Main di-Higgs production channel:



SM & LHC with $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV at NNLO [2008.11626]:

$$\sigma_{SM}^{ggF}(pp \rightarrow hh) = 36.69^{+6\%}_{-23\%} \text{ fb}$$

Double Higgs production via Vector Boson Fusion (VBF)



SM & LHC with $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV at N³LO [1811.07906]:

$$\sigma_{SM}^{VBF}(pp \rightarrow hhjj) = 2.055^{+0.001}_{-0.001} \text{ fb}$$

Double Higgs production via VBF

$$\sigma_{SM}^{VBF}(pp \rightarrow hhjj) < 10\% \times \sigma_{SM}^{ggF}(pp \rightarrow hh)$$

Di-Higgs production via VBF (see e.g. [1611.03860]):

- Very sensitive to BSM physics,
small changes of the SM couplings can lead to striking increase in σ
- Can give us further insight into the EW sector and mechanism of EWSB
e.g. by constraining $hhVV$ couplings

**What is the maximal enhancement of VBF di-Higgs production
in SMEFT at $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^4}\right)$ order of the EFT expansion?**

Double Higgs production via VBF in SMEFT

Strategy of analysis

1. Identify & classify relevant dim-6 $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\Lambda^2})$ and dim-8 $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\Lambda^4})$ operators
2. Formulate analysis assumptions, take into account existing constraints on WCs
3. Calculate helicity amplitudes & cross sections
4. Identify leading behaviour and main SMEFT contributions
5. Run numerical MC simulations to formulate more precise predictions

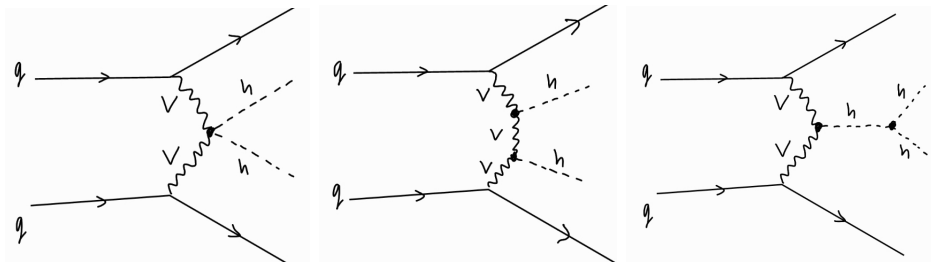
Introducing: SMEFT

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{C_i Q_i}{\Lambda^{d_i-4}}$$

- Q_i - higher dimensional gauge invariant operators in terms of SM fields
- C_i - Wilson coefficients
- Λ - new physics scale

Model independent way of studying BSM phenomena!

Double Higgs production via VBF in SMEFT #1



We're looking at hVV , $hhVV$ and hhh interactions!

Double Higgs production via VBF in SMEFT #2

Dim-6 operators

$X^2 \varphi^2$		φ^6 and $\varphi^4 D^2$	
$Q_{\varphi W}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi \widetilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu}$	Q_φ	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^3$
$Q_{\varphi \widetilde{W}}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi \widetilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu}$	$Q_{\varphi \square}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi) \square (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)$
$Q_{\varphi B}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$	$Q_{\varphi D}$	$(\varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi)^* (\varphi^\dagger D_\mu \varphi)$
$Q_{\varphi \widetilde{B}}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi \widetilde{B}_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$		
$Q_{\varphi WB}$	$\varphi^\dagger \tau^I \varphi W_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$		
$Q_{\varphi \widetilde{W}B}$	$\varphi^\dagger \tau^I \varphi \widetilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$		

Table: Dimension-6 operators affecting $VV \rightarrow hh$ process (notation of 1704.03888)

$$\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} \Phi^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v + h + i\Phi^0) \end{pmatrix}, \quad D_\mu = \partial_\mu + i\bar{g} B_\mu Y + i\bar{g} W_\mu^I T^I$$

$$W_{\mu\nu}^I = \partial_\mu W_\nu^I - \partial_\nu W_\mu^I - g\epsilon^{IJK} W_\mu^J W_\nu^K, \quad B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu B_\nu - \partial_\nu B_\mu$$

Double Higgs production via VBF in SMEFT #3

Dim-8 operators

φ^8		$\varphi^6 D^2$		$\varphi^4 D^4$	
Q_{φ^8}	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^4$	$Q_{\varphi^6 \square}$ $Q_{\varphi^6 D^2}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^2 \square (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)$ $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\varphi^\dagger D_\mu \varphi)^* (\varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi)$	$Q_{\varphi^4 D^4}^{(1)}$	$(D_\mu \varphi^\dagger D_\nu \varphi)(D^\nu \varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi)$...
$X^3 \varphi^2$			$X^2 \varphi^4$		
$Q_{W^3 \varphi^2}^{(1)}$ $Q_{W^2 B \varphi^2}^{(1)}$	$\epsilon^{IJK} (\varphi^\dagger \varphi) W_\mu^{I\nu} W_\nu^{J\rho} W_\rho^{K\mu}$ $\epsilon^{IJK} (\varphi^\dagger \tau^I \varphi) B_\mu^\nu W_\nu^{J\rho} W_\rho^{K\mu}$...	$Q_{W^2 \varphi^4}^{(1)}$ $Q_{WB \varphi^4}^{(1)}$ $Q_{B^2 \varphi^4}^{(1)}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^2 W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu}$ $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\varphi^\dagger \tau^I \varphi) W_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$ $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^2 B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$		
$X^2 \varphi^2 D^2$			$X \varphi^4 D^2$		
$Q_{B^2 \varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)}$ $Q_{W^2 \varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)}$ $Q_{WB \varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)}$	$(D^\mu \varphi^\dagger D^\nu \varphi) B_{\mu\rho} B_\nu^\rho$ $(D^\mu \varphi^\dagger D^\nu \varphi) W_{\mu\rho}^I W_\nu^{I\rho}$ $(D^\mu \varphi^\dagger \tau^I D_\mu \varphi) B_{\nu\rho} W^{I\nu\rho}$	$Q_{W \varphi^4 D^2}^{(1)}$ $Q_{B \varphi^4 D^2}^{(1)}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(D^\mu \varphi^\dagger \tau^I D^\nu \varphi) W_{\mu\nu}^I$ $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(D^\mu \varphi^\dagger D^\nu \varphi) B_{\mu\nu}$...		

Table: Classes of dimension-8 operators affecting $VV \rightarrow hh$ process (from [2005.00059])

Naive Dimensional Analysis (NDA)

Naive Dimensional Analysis (NDA) for WCs (followig 1604.06444):

$$\frac{C_i}{\Lambda^{D-4}} = \frac{g_*^{n_i-2}}{\Lambda^{D-4}}$$

- D - dimension of SMEFT operator
- n_i - number of fields involved
- $g_* \leq 4\pi$ - UV coupling to the SM

$$\text{e.g. } C_\varphi = g_*^4 c_\varphi, \quad C_{\varphi\Box} = g_*^2 c_{\varphi\Box}, \quad C_{\varphi^8} = g_*^6 c_{\varphi^8}, \quad C_{\varphi^6\Box} = g_*^4 c_{\varphi^6\Box}$$

- $c_i \leq 1$ - numbers that can be further suppressed e.g. by symmetries

Values of WCs

- Dim-6 - constraints from fits, assuming $\Lambda = 1$ TeV and following [2105.00006]

$$|C_{\varphi\Box}| \lesssim \pi, \quad |C_{\varphi D}| \lesssim 1, \quad |C_{\varphi W}| \lesssim 0.5, \quad |C_{\varphi B}| \lesssim 0.5, \quad |C_{\varphi WB}| \lesssim 0.5$$

- C_φ from di-Higgs production data, [2304.01968]:

$$-\pi^2 \lesssim C_\varphi \lesssim 2\pi$$

- Dim-8 - NDA without additional assumptions or constraints, with $c_i = 1$

Let's produce helicity amplitudes using ...

SmefTFR v3 - [2302.01353]

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SmefTFR v3 – Feynman rules generator for the Standard Model Effective Field Theory

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SmefTFR available at:

www.fuw.edu.pl/smeft

SmefTFR v3 - relevant features

1. Mathematica package using FeynRules [1310.1921]
2. Consistent calculation of SMEFT vertices up to $\frac{1}{\Lambda^4}$:
 - all dim-6 operators in the Warsaw basis [1008.4884]**
 - all bosonic dim-8 operators in the basis of [2005.00059]**
3. Output to L^AT_EX, FeynArts, UFO, ...
4. Predefined input schemes for the EW sector and CKM matrix

Di-Higgs via VBF Process and setup

$$W^+(p_1, \lambda_1) + W^-(p_2, \lambda_1) \rightarrow h(p_3) + h(p_4)$$

- Dim-6 operators with maximal allowed values:

$$Q_\varphi \propto \mathcal{O}(1), \quad Q_{\varphi D} \propto \mathcal{O}(s), \quad Q_{\varphi \square} \propto \mathcal{O}(s), \quad Q_{\varphi W} \propto \mathcal{O}(s)$$

- Dim-8 operators:

$$Q_{\varphi^8} \propto \mathcal{O}(1), \quad Q_{\varphi^4 D^4}^{(1)} \propto \mathcal{O}(s^2), \quad Q_{W^2 \varphi^4}^{(1)} \propto \mathcal{O}(s), \quad Q_{W^2 \varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)} \propto \mathcal{O}(s^2)$$

with Λ to ensure validity of EFT:

$$|C| \times \frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \ll 1$$

- \pm chosen to maximize enhancement

SM amplitudes

$$\mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1\lambda_2} \equiv \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1\lambda_2}^{WWHH}(\theta, s, G_F, M_W, M_Z, M_H, C_i)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{00}^{SM} = \sqrt{2}G_F M_H^2 \left[1 + 2 \left(1 - \frac{4}{\sin^2 \theta} \right) \frac{M_W^2}{M_H^2} \right]$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\pm\pm}^{SM} = 2\sqrt{2}G_F M_W^2, \quad \mathcal{M}_{\pm\mp}^{SM} = 0, \quad \mathcal{M}_{0\pm}^{SM} = \mathcal{M}_{\pm 0}^{SM} = 0$$

At most constant contribution plus terms $\mathcal{O}(1/s)$

SMEFT dim-6 and dim-6² amplitudes

$$\mathcal{M}_{00} = -3\sqrt{2}C_\varphi \left(\frac{1}{G_F\Lambda^2} \right) - 20C_{\varphi W} \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2}(4C_{\varphi\Box} - C_{\varphi D}) \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right) \quad \text{LO EFT}$$

$$-28\sqrt{2}C_{\varphi W}^2 \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{G_F\Lambda^2} \right) + \sqrt{2}(4C_{\varphi\Box}^2 + \frac{1}{4}C_{\varphi D}^2) \left(\frac{1}{G_F\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right) \quad \text{NLO EFT}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{TT} = (4C_{\varphi\Box} - C_{\varphi D}) \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

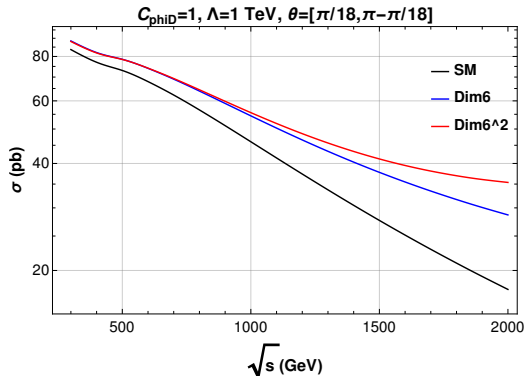
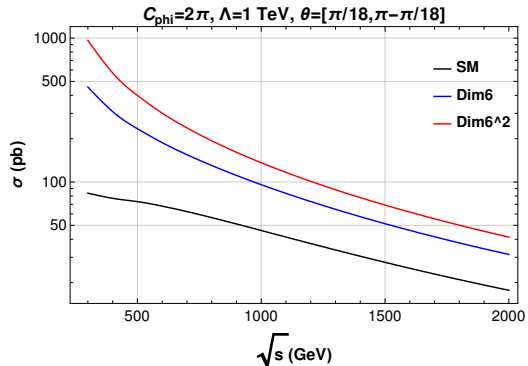
$$+ \sqrt{2}(4C_{\varphi\Box}^2 + \frac{1}{4}C_{\varphi D}^2) \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{G_F\Lambda^2} \right) + 2\sqrt{2}C_{\varphi W}^2 \left(\frac{1}{G_F\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2} = -(4C_{\varphi\Box} - C_{\varphi D}) \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) + 2C_{\varphi W} \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

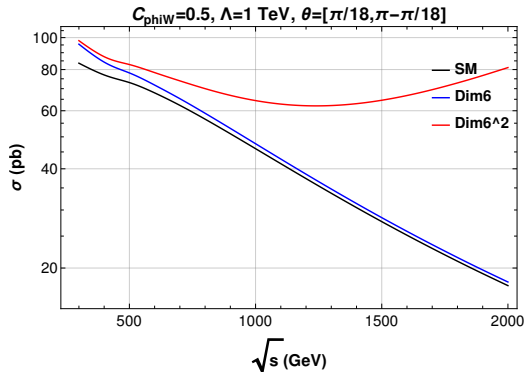
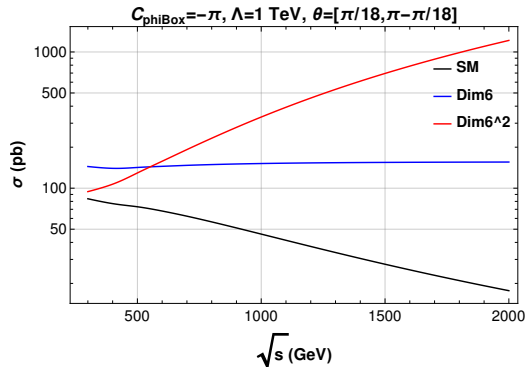
$$-2\sqrt{2}(4C_{\varphi\Box}^2 + \frac{1}{4}C_{\varphi D}^2) \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{G_F\Lambda^2} \right) + 6\sqrt{2}C_{\varphi W}^2 \left(\frac{1}{G_F\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{OT} = 16i \cot \theta C_{\varphi W} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}M_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) + 16\sqrt{2}iC_{\varphi W}^2 \cot \theta \left(\frac{1}{G_F\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}M_W}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

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SMEFT dim-8 amplitudes

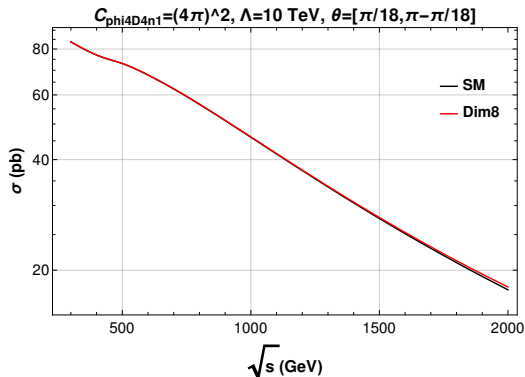
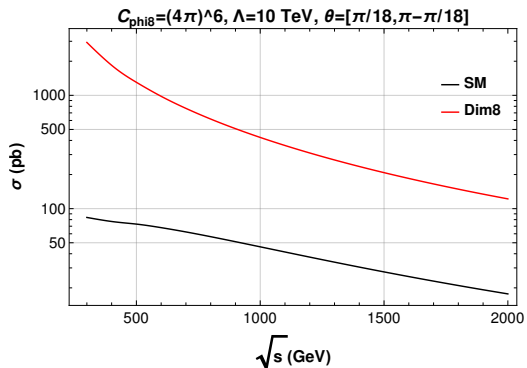
$$\mathcal{M}_{00} = -6C_{\varphi^8} \left(\frac{1}{G_F^2 \Lambda^4} \right) - \frac{1}{8} C_{\varphi^4 D^4}^{(1)} (\cos^2 \theta + 1) \left(\frac{s^2}{\Lambda^4} \right) \\ - 14\sqrt{2} C_{W^2 \varphi^4}^{(1)} \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{G_F \Lambda^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} C_{W^2 \varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)} (\sin^2 \theta + 1) \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{TT} = -\frac{1}{4} C_{\varphi^4 D^4}^{(1)} \sin^2 \theta \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right) + \frac{1}{8} C_{W^2 \varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)} \sin^2 \theta \left(\frac{s^2}{\Lambda^4} \right)$$

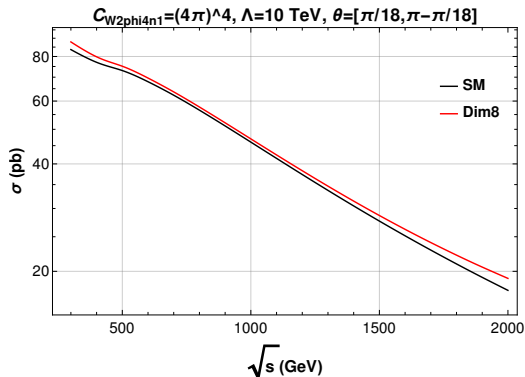
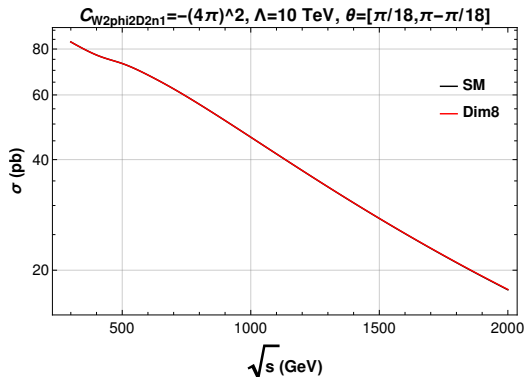
$$\mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2} = -\frac{1}{4} C_{\varphi^4 D^4}^{(1)} \sin^2 \theta \left(\frac{M_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right) + 3\sqrt{2} C_{W^2 \varphi^4}^{(1)} \left(\frac{1}{G_F \Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{s}{\Lambda^2} \right) + \frac{1}{4} C_{W^2 \varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)} \left(\frac{s^2}{\Lambda^4} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{OT} = -\frac{i}{4} C_{\varphi^4 D^4}^{(1)} \sin 2\theta \left(\frac{s^{3/2} M_W}{\Lambda^4} \right) - 4 C_{W^2 \varphi^4}^{(1)} \cot \theta \left(\frac{s^{1/2} M_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{G_F \Lambda^2} \right) - \frac{i}{4} C_{W^2 \varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)} \sin 2\theta \left(\frac{s^{3/2} M_W}{\Lambda^4} \right)$$

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Initial conclusions

1. Potential strong enhancement at dim-6 and dim-6² - especially $C_{\varphi\Box}$
2. Importance of terms $\propto s$ for larger energies
3. Effects of dim-6² terms can be important
4. At dim-8 enhancement much more moderate
5. For dim-8 NDA more important than energy dependence

Let's see how it translates to MC simulations!
Work in progress...

Numerical analysis

$$p p \rightarrow h h j j$$

1. MG5 [1106.0522] with UFO models generated using SmeftFR
2. Only one non-zero C_i at time
3. Dim-6 - maximal WCs allowed by constraints from fits
4. Dim-8 - NDA
5. HL-LHC with $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV and $\mathcal{L} = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
6. VBS cuts (following [1611.03860] and [1802.02366]:)

$$M_{jj} > 500 \text{ GeV}, \quad \Delta\eta_{jj} > 3, \quad M_{hh} > 400 \text{ GeV}, \dots$$

Numerical analysis HL-LHC dim-6 and dim-6²

WC	Cross section (pb)	Events
SM	0.000198	594
C_φ	0.00618	1852
$C_\varphi + C_\varphi^2$	0.00618	1852
$C_{\varphi\Box}$	0.000469	1408
$C_{\varphi\Box} + C_{\varphi\Box}^2$	0.001291	3873
$C_{\varphi D}$	0.000203	609
$C_{\varphi D} + C_{\varphi D}^2$	0.000203	609
$C_{\varphi W}$	0.000241	724
$C_{\varphi W} + C_{\varphi W}^2$	0.000263	789

Table: $p p \rightarrow h h j j$ cross sections for HL-LHC with $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV and $\mathcal{L} = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$.

Numerical analysis dim-8

$$\frac{C_{W^2\varphi^4}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^4} = \frac{(4\pi)^4}{\Lambda^4}, \quad \frac{C_{W^2\varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^4} = \frac{(4\pi)^2}{\Lambda^4}$$

	$\Lambda = 6 \text{ TeV}$		$\Lambda = 10 \text{ TeV}$	
WC	Cross section (pb)	No events	Cross section (pb)	No events
SM	0.000465	13	0.000465	13
$C_{W^2\varphi^2 D^2}^{(1)}$	0.000470	14	0.000466	13
$C_{W^2\varphi^4}^{(1)}$	0.01605	481	0.0006852	20

Table: $p p \rightarrow h h j j$ cross sections for LHC with $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ and $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$.

OLD RESULTS

Summary

1. Di-Higgs VBF production interesting and “promising” process
2. Large number of dim-6 and dim-8 bosonic SMEFT operators contributing
3. NDA as a source of estimation for dim-8 operators
4. $WW \rightarrow HH$ reveals potential enhancement from $\mathcal{O}(1)$, $\mathcal{O}(s)$ and $\mathcal{O}(s^2)$ terms
5. Initial MC results suggest potential impact of dim-6 and dim-6² and limited dim-8

Next steps & future directions?

1. Finish thorough MG5 study including final states
2. More rigorous inclusion of constraints on dim-6 and dim-8 WCs
3. Inclusion of remaining classes of WCs and $ZZ \rightarrow HH$ process
4. Matching to particular UV models for more realistic picture
5. Effects of fermionic dim-8 operators?
6. ggF ?

Thank you!