

Profile likelihood ratio limits in quadratic dominated fits

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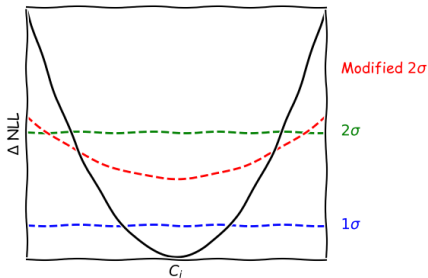
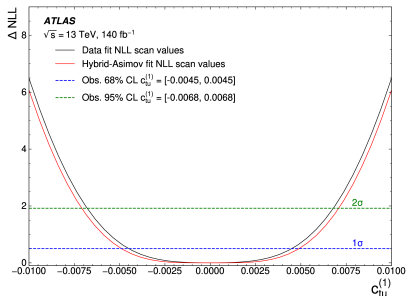
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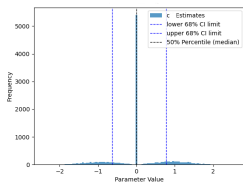
- In EFT fits: consider interference terms with SM (linear) and pure BSM terms (quadratic)
- Same-sign top analysis [arXiv:2409.14982](https://arxiv.org/abs/2409.14982): no SM contribution \rightarrow only quadratic contribution
- Checked computed likelihood limits with toys:
 - no undercoverage
 - slight overcoverage (at most 9%) when Wilson coefficient is close to 0



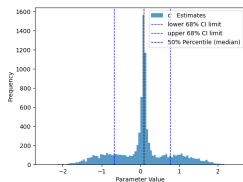
- Performed further studies with a linear+quadratic case

- All following studies are performed in the context of an ongoing analysis
- Look at toy distributions for different contributions of quadratic and linear EFT terms
- Generate 10k toys

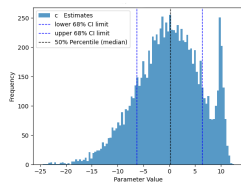
Quadratic only EFT dependence



Quadratic and linear EFT dependence



Linear only EFT dependence

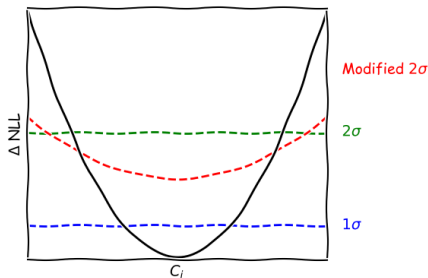


- Fit with quadratic contribution: additional peaks introduced by additional LH minima which injected signal
- Fit with linear only contribution: recover Gaussian shape (peak at 10 comes from negative bin yields for high WC values)

- Try to determine impact of violation of Wilk's theorem on LH limits
- If possible, compute corrected LH limits with toys

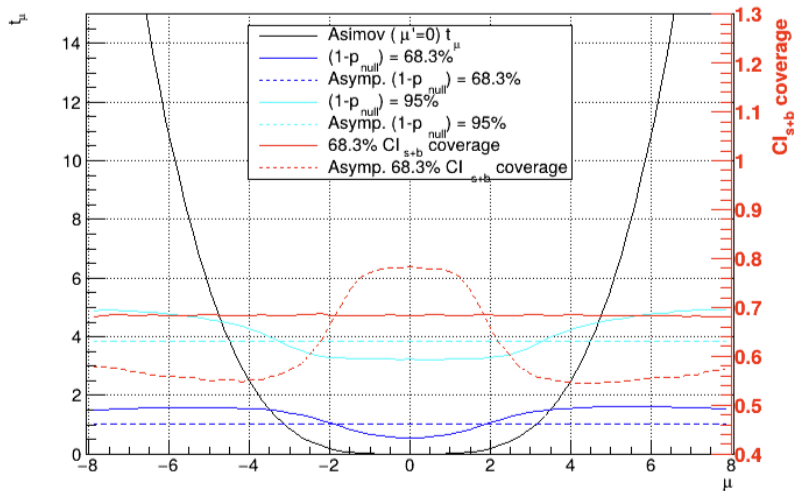
Method to compute these new limits:

- Compute toys around $\text{POIAsimov} = \mu_{test}$
- Get likelihood ratio at μ_{test} for each toy
- Determine at which value of the LH ratios, 68% of the toy LH ratios are below this value
- This LH ratio value corresponds to the 1σ contour at this μ_{test} value

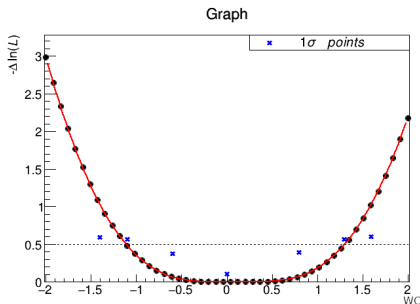
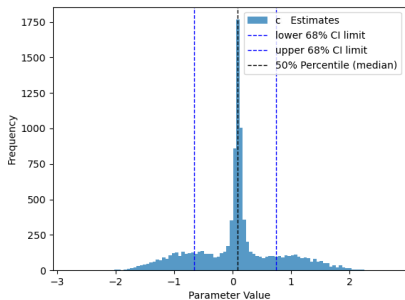


- Test of this method with pedagogical example including linear and quadratic terms

quadratic model



- Perform fit with one WC (linear and quadratic dependence)



- Limit with default contour (0.5): $[-1.11, 1.30]$
- Limits with toy contour: $[-1.16, 1.35]$

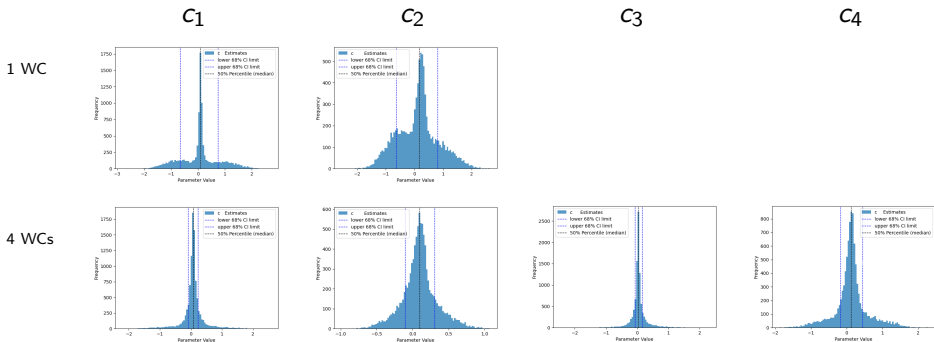
1d case:

- Have working method
- Method can be computationally expensive when providing full 1σ line
→ only show around crossing points?
- Not clear how to determine systematics ranking

More dimensional case:

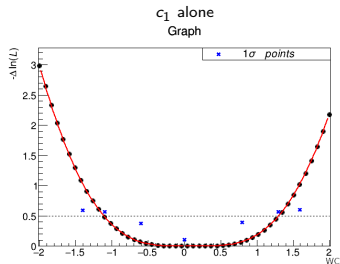
- In many analyses several WCs fit at the same time
- Method does not scale for multiple dimensions
- Tried so far to look at 1d limits in multi-EFT fits

- Compare toy distributions in fit with 1 WC versus in fit with 4 WCs

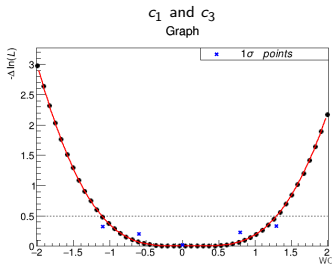


- Constraining several WCs at the same time seems to remove the additional peaks

- Consider c_1 results in fit with 2 WCs (c_1 and c_3)
- Correlation between c_1 and c_3 : 12%

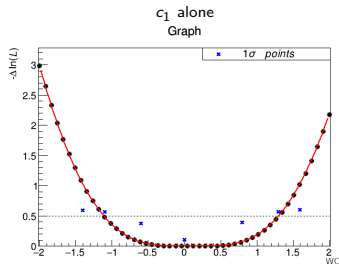


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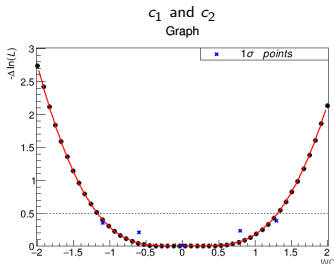


- Limit with default contour (0.5):
[−1.12, 1.31]
- Limits with toy contour:
[−0.98, 1.17]

- Consider c_1 results in fit with 2 WCs (c_1 and c_2)
- Correlation between c_1 and c_2 : -2%



- Limit with default contour (0.5):
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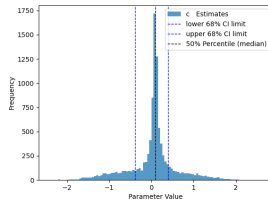
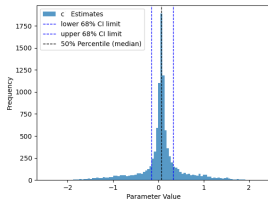
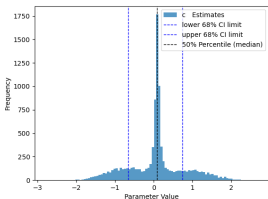
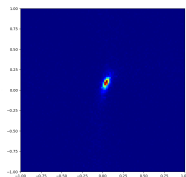
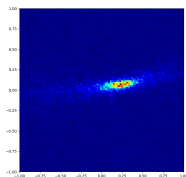
- Limit with default contour (0.5):
[$-1.18, 1.32$]
- Limits with toy contour:
[$-1.06, 1.23$]

- Fit different combinations of WCs which have different correlations

c_1

c_1 and c_2

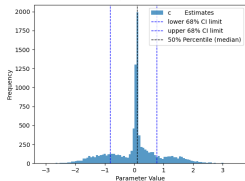
c_1 and c_3



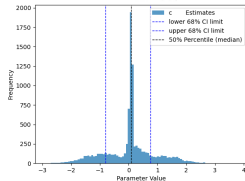
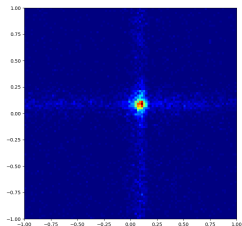
Toy distribution in fit with low correlations

- Consider two operators c_5 and c_6
- Correlation between c_5 and c_6 : 0%

c_5

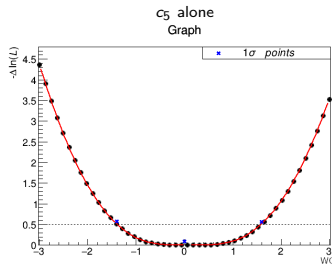


c_5 and c_6

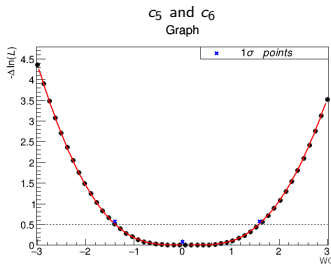


- adding c_6 in fit does not have major impact on c_5 distribution

- Consider c_5 results in fit with 2 WCs



- Limit with default contour (0.5):
[−1.39, 1.59]
- Limits with toy contour:
[−1.46, 1.67]



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- For 1d fits: toy results seem sensible
- Some remaining issues/open questions:
 - How many points to compute for modified 1σ or 2σ line?
 - How to compute systematics ranking?
- What to do for multi-dimensional fits?
 - Method does not scale to more dimensions (computationally expensive, how to report multi-dimensional results)
 - $1d$ limits in multi-EFT fits behave counter-intuitively