# Interpreting The Higgs Eric Kuflik

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### **Quick Introduction**

Higgs is discovered



## Naturalness and Higgs Rates

- If new physics exists, Higgs interactions are likely to be modified
- New particles introduced in models that resolve the fine tuning also enter in the gluon fusion and diphoton rates



• Higgs rates may be the best (only?) route to new physics!

## Higgs Effective Theory

- Study more general Higgs Lagrangian
- Define effective Lagrangian at  $\mu \sim m_h {\sim} 125~{\rm GeV}.$  Relevant couplings:

$$L = c_{V} \frac{2m_{W}^{2}}{v} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-} + c_{V} \frac{2m_{W}^{2}}{v} Z_{\mu} Z_{\mu} - c_{b} \frac{m_{b}}{v} h \,\bar{b}b - c_{\tau} \frac{m_{b}}{v} h \,\bar{\tau}\tau$$
$$+ c_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12 \pi v} h \, G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} + c_{\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{\pi v} h \, A_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu} + c_{\chi} h \bar{\chi}\chi$$

- Few theoretical assumptions:
  - Higgs only couples to SM fields and an invisible particle.
  - Custodial symmetry fixes  $c_W = c_Z = c_V$ , so as to satisfy the experimental bounds on the T-parameter.
  - For simplicity also assume  $c_b = c_{ au}$
  - Higgs is a positive-parity scalar
- SM gives:  $c_V = c_b \simeq c_g \simeq 1$   $c_\gamma \simeq 2/9$   $c_\chi = 0$ .
- All couplings can be modified in BSM models



### Higgs Widths

All Higgs rates are a function of *c<sub>i</sub>*



Where  $\hat{c}_{\gamma} \approx c_{\gamma} - c_V$  takes into the W-contribution. • These are approximate, but more precise relations are used.

### Rates

• Assuming gluon fusion dominates the inclusive productions cross section  $(R = \mu, \text{ the signal strength})$ :

$$R_{VV^*} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{pp \to h} Br_{h \to VV^*}}{\sigma_{pp \to h}^{SM} Br_{h \to VV^*}^{SM}} \simeq \left| \frac{c_g c_V}{c_{tot}} \right|^2$$

$$R_{\gamma\gamma} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{pp \to h} Br_{h \to \gamma\gamma}}{\sigma_{pp \to h}^{SM} Br_{h \to \gamma\gamma}^{SM}} \simeq \left| \frac{c_g \hat{c}_{\gamma}}{\hat{c}_{\gamma,SM} c_{tot}} \right|^2$$

$$R_{bb} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{pp \to Vh} Br_{h \to \bar{b}b}}{\sigma_{pp \to Vh}^{SM} Br_{h \to \bar{b}b}^{SM}} \simeq \left| \frac{c_b c_V}{c_{tot}} \right|^2$$

$$R_{\gamma\gamma jj} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{pp \to hjj} Br_{h \to \gamma\gamma}}{\sigma_{pp \to hjj}^{SM} Br_{h \to \gamma\gamma}^{SM}} \simeq \left( r_g |c_g|^2 + r_V |c_V|^2 \right) \left| \frac{\hat{c}_{\gamma}}{\hat{c}_{\gamma,SM} c_{tot}} \right|^2$$

These are approximate, but more precise relations are used. (All cross-sections included.)

### **EFT** Goals

$$L = c_{V} \frac{2m_{W}^{2}}{v} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-} + c_{V} \frac{2m_{W}^{2}}{v} Z_{\mu} Z_{\mu} - c_{b} \frac{m_{b}}{v} h \, \bar{b}b - c_{\tau} \frac{m_{b}}{v} h \, \bar{\tau}\tau$$
$$+ c_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12 \pi v} h \, G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} + c_{\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{\pi v} h \, A_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu} + c_{\chi} h \bar{\chi}\chi$$

- \* Determine the region of the  $c'_i s$  favored by the LHC & Tevatron data.
- Is the data consistent with the SM Higgs?
- \* Is data favoring another scenario?
- Are the preferred regions consistent with natural theories?

### Similar Approaches

- A. Azatov, R. Contino and J. Galloway, JHEP 1204, 127 (2012) [arXiv:1202.3415 [hepph]], arXiv:1206.3171 [hep-ph].
- P. Giardino, K. Kannike, M. Raidal and A. Strumia, JHEP 1206, 117 (2012) [arXiv:1203.4254 [hepph]], arXiv: 1207.1347
- J. R. Espinosa, C. Grojean, M. Muhlleitner and M. Trott, arXiv:1202.3697 [hepph]. , arXiv:1205.6790 [hep-ph], arXiv:1207.1717
- J. R. Espinosa, C. Grojean and M. Muehlleitner, arXiv:1202.1286 [hep-ph].
- J. Ellis and T. You, arXiv:1204.0464 [hep-ph], arXiv:1207.1693

### Data

• Focus on the 5 most sensitive channels for  $m_h = 125$  GeV.

 $h \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ ,  $hjj \rightarrow \gamma \gamma jj$ ,  $h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ ,  $h \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow 4l$ ,  $Vh \rightarrow V \overline{b}b$ 



# Could be much better.

- Much can be improved with the full Likelihood functions
  - No correlations
  - Gaussian assumption is not always good.
  - Fixed Higgs mass
  - I have to digitize plots.
- Consider it warm-up exercise in preparation for better statistics.



- Study the best-fit regions where only two of the above parameters can be freely varied, while the remaining ones are fixed to the SM values
- Representative of many BSM models
- $m *~Show\,1\sigma$  bands for each of the 5 channels
- \* Combined region gives the 95% CL preferred region ( $\Delta \chi^2 < 5.99$ )
- \* Test against the Standard Model hypothesis,  $\chi^2_{SM} \chi^2_{min}$
- Very useful representation for theorists

### New Charged and Colored Particles

 Only dimension-5 couplings may vary:

$$c_g \frac{\alpha_s}{12 \pi v} h G^a_{\mu\nu} G^a_{\mu\nu} + c_{\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{\pi v} h A_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu}$$

- Representative of models with additional charged and colored particles.
- Good fit can be obtained and improvements made over SM  $(\chi^2_{SM} \chi^2_{min}) = 6.1$
- SM point at 95% CL border
- Top Partner Models give excellent fits.
  - Models where only particles with the same charge and color as the top contribute (only 1 dof)

• 
$$\delta c_{\gamma} = \frac{2}{9} \delta c_g$$
 (red line)



Combined: Region of  $\chi^2 - \chi^2_{SM} \le 5.99$ 



### Invisible Higgs

 Dimension-5 couplings may vary according to top partner relationship:

$$c_g \frac{\alpha_s}{12 \pi v} h G^a_{\mu\nu} G^a_{\mu\nu} + \frac{2c_g}{9} \frac{\alpha}{\pi v} h A_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu}$$

Plus additional invisible mode

 $c_{\chi} h \bar{\chi} \chi$ 

- Large invisible rate allowed if  $c_{\gamma}$  (the di-photon rate) is enhanced.
- Fit is only improved because of the inclusion of a top-partner
- If just invisible mode (1 dof), fits are not improved over the SM (Red region)

$$\left(\chi_{SM}^2 - \chi_{min}^2\right) = 0 \qquad \text{Br}_{\text{inv}} < 0.27$$



For more on invisible Higgs: J. R. Espinosa, M. Muhlleitner, C. Grojean and M. Trott, arXiv:1205.6790, arXiv:1207.1717 For Collider constraints see: A. Djouadi, A. Falkowski, Y. Mambrini and J. Quevillon, arXiv:1205.3169 [hep-ph].

### **Another Parameterization**

- Parameterizes top-partner with Higgs mixing  $c_g \frac{\alpha_s}{12 \pi v} h G^a_{\mu\nu} G^a_{\mu\nu} + \frac{2c_g}{9} \frac{\alpha}{\pi v} h A_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu}$  $c_b = c_v = c_\tau \sim \cos \theta$
- Fits much improved over the SM  $(\chi^2_{SM} \chi^2_{min}) = 6.5$ 
  - SM outside 95% CL Region
- Examples include Little Higgs models (only 1 dof)

 $c_V = c_b = \sqrt{1 - \xi/2}$ Twin Higgs:  $\delta c_g = \sqrt{1 - \xi/2}$ Simplest Higgs:  $\delta c_g = (1 - \xi)/\sqrt{1 - \xi/2}$ 

No improvement over SM, for Twins Higgs or Simplest Higgs models.  $\chi^2_{SM} \le \chi^2$ 





### The Top Partner

- Models where only particles with the same charge and color as the top contribute (only 1 dof)
- Well motivated by the hierarchy problem.
- Preserves the relationship:  $c_{\gamma} = \frac{2}{2}c_g$
- Model can have many parameters, but only 1 combination affects the fits.
- Schematically:
   Interference top is 20% of the W contribution
  - $\Gamma_{gg} \sim |top|^2 \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} \sim |-\overline{W} + top|^2$

 $\Gamma_{gg} \sim |top \pm top'|^2 \quad \Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} \sim |-W + top \pm top'|^2$ 



• Top Partner contribution significantly improves the fits when its contribution is almost twice the SM top contribution but opposite in sign.

$$\Gamma_{gg} \sim |top \pm top'|^{2} \qquad \Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} \sim |-W + top \pm top'|^{2}$$
  
$$\Gamma_{gg} \sim |top - 1.8 top|^{2} \qquad \Gamma_{\gamma\gamma} \sim |-W + top - 1.8 top|^{2}$$

Gluon fusion remains roughly constant –

 $h \rightarrow ZZ, WW, bb$  are unchanged

### $h \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ increases

- Dropping the top partner assumption  $\delta c_{\gamma} = 2/9 \ \delta c_g$  does not improve the fits.
- No improvement over SM if  $\delta c_g > 0$
- Generally the sign is related to naturalness:
- I. Low, R. Rattazzi and A. Vichi,.





### Fermion Top Partner

• Consider simplified model with a single fermion top partner.

$$L = -c_f \frac{m_f}{v} h \bar{f} f$$
  
$$\delta c_g = 9/2\delta c_\gamma = c_f A_f (m_h^2/4m_f^2) \qquad A_f \sim 1$$

 Quadratic divergence cancelled for

$$c_f m_f = -2 \, m_t^2 / [m_f + \sqrt{(2m_t^2 + m_f^2)}]$$

 Can cancel the quadratic divergence and improve the fits if

95 GeV <  $m_f < 115$  GeV

 Cannot get its mass entirely from EWSB (chiral top partners disfavored)



### Scalar Top Partner

• Consider simplified model with a single scalar top partner.

$$L = -c_s \frac{2 m_s}{v} h S^* S$$
  
$$\delta c_g = 9/2\delta c_\gamma = \frac{c_s}{4} A_s (m_h^2/4m_f^2) \qquad A_s \sim 1$$

• Quadratic divergence cancelled for

 $c_s = 2m_t^2/m_s^2$ 

 Cannot simultaneously improve the fits and cancel the quadratic divergence, since

$$\delta c_g = 9/2\delta c_\gamma \ge 0$$



### Two Scalars - SUSY

Stop sector of the MSSM (neglecting sub-leading D-terms)

 $L = |\tilde{t}_L|^2 (m_L^2 + y_t^2 |h|^2) + |\tilde{t}_R|^2 (m_R^2 + y_t^2 |h|^2) + y_t X_t h t_L t_R + h.c.$ 

- Quadratic divergence cancelled.
- Consider decoupling limit,  $m_A \gg m_h$ .
  - Non-decoupling limit only makes the fits worse.
- Stops mix  $m_t X_t = \frac{1}{2} \left( m_{\tilde{t}_2}^2 m_{\tilde{t}_1}^2 \right) \sin^2 2\theta_t$
- Mixing allows for negative  $\delta c_g$

$$\delta c_g = 9/2 \ \delta c_{\gamma} = \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{m_t^2}{m_{\tilde{t}_1}^2} + \frac{m_t^2}{m_{\tilde{t}_2}^2} - \frac{m_t^2}{m_{\tilde{t}_1}^2} \frac{|X_t|^2}{m_{\tilde{t}_2}^2} \right)$$

• The two states must have large separation

$$X_t/m_{\tilde{t}_2} < (m_{\tilde{t}_2}^2 - m_{\tilde{t}_1}^2)/(2m_t m_{\tilde{t}_2})$$

 Can you get the right Higgs mass from the combination of very large mixing, large mass separation, but one light stop?



### Models of Enhanced Diphoton Rates

Data shows increased  $h \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ 



Hint for new charged particles?

See also M. Carena, I. Low, C. Wagner 1206.1082



### New W' Partner

- Consider simplified model with a W'
- $L = +c_{\rho} \frac{2m_{\rho}^2}{v} h \rho_{\mu}^* \rho_{\mu}$  $\delta c_g = 0 \qquad \delta c_{\gamma} = -\frac{7}{8} c_{\rho} A_{\rho} (m_h^2/4m_{\rho}^2) \qquad A_{\rho} \sim 1$ W' 200180 Two best fit regions for W' 160 • Much improved fit over SM  $\chi^2_{SM} - \chi^2_{min} = 4.3$ 100 80

60

-3

 $^{-2}$ 

-1

0

Cp

1

2

## **Doublet-Singlet Model**

 Higgs doublet mixes with a singlet, which couples to additional charged vector-like particles.

$$L = -\frac{1}{2}m_{\phi}^{2}\phi^{2} - \kappa\phi|H|^{2} - \sum_{i}M_{i}\left(1 + \frac{\lambda_{i}}{\nu}\phi\right)\overline{\psi}\psi$$

 Higgs is a combination Doublet and Singlet

 $h = H \cos \alpha + \phi \sin \alpha$ 

- Sign contribution to  $c_{\gamma}$  can be negative since the mass is not coming from EWSB.
- Better than just coupling the Higgs directly to leptons

$$c_{\gamma} = c_{\gamma,SM} \cos \alpha + \delta c_{\gamma} \sin \alpha$$
$$\delta c_{\gamma} = \sum_{i} \lambda_{i} \frac{1}{6} N_{i} Q_{i}^{2} A_{f}(\tau_{i})$$





### A Social Higgs – Bertolini & McCullough

 Predicts an additional resonances in the other channels, in particular the diphoton channel.



### Type II Two Higgs Doublet Model

 2 Higgs fields, one Up and one Down type Higgs

$$h = \cos \alpha \, Re \, (H_u^0) - \sin \alpha \, Re \, (H_d^0)$$

 $\tan\beta = v_u/v_d$ 

- For tan β ≥ 1 the model always does worse than SM.
   Best fit corresponds to decoupling limit
- For  $\tan \beta \le 1$  there can be significant improvements when  $\pi$

 $\tan \beta \simeq 0 \quad \alpha \simeq \frac{\pi}{2}$ 

 Couplings are reduced, but the W and top quark can be made to constructively interfere sick limit – landau poles





### **Cynical View**

- Higgs is half full of BSM? or
- Higgs is half full of SM?

New physics should cancel the quadratic divergence, so the new particles must be light

We observe SM-like rates, so the new particles must be heavy

### Summary

 Measuring Higgs coupling may soon give us strong hints favoring or disfavoring particular models beyond the Standard Model

$$L = c_{V} \frac{2m_{W}^{2}}{v} W_{\mu}^{+} W_{\mu}^{-} + c_{V} \frac{2m_{W}^{2}}{v} Z_{\mu} Z_{\mu} - c_{b} \frac{m_{b}}{v} h \, \bar{b}b - c_{\tau} \frac{m_{b}}{v} h \, \bar{\tau}\tau$$
$$+ c_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12 \pi v} h \, G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} + c_{\gamma} \frac{\alpha}{\pi v} h \, A_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu} + c_{\chi} h \bar{\chi}\chi$$

 Effective theory approach provides a robust framework to study this problem