

# HiggsSignals:

## Testing BSM physics with LHC Higgs Measurements

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# The HiggsSignals code

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*Website:* <http://higgsbounds.hepforge.org>.

*Documentation and useful references:*

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Eur.Phys.J. C74 (2014) 2693 [arXiv:1311.0055]

JHEP 1411 (2014) 039 [arXiv:1403.1582]

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# HiggsSignals: The basic idea

- 1 Take model-predictions for *physical quantities* of given Higgs sector:

$$m_k, \quad \Gamma_k^{\text{tot}}, \quad \sigma_i(pp \rightarrow H_k), \quad \text{BR}(H_k \rightarrow XX),$$

with  $k = 1, \dots, N$ ,  $i \in \{\text{ggH}, \text{VBF}, \text{WH}, \text{ZH}, t\bar{t}H\}$

for  $N$  neutral Higgs bosons as the **program's user input**.

*Optional input:* **Theo. uncertainties for mass, cross sections and BR's.**

- 2 Calculate the predicted signal strength  $\mu$  for every observable,

$$\mu_{H \rightarrow XX} = \frac{\sum_i \epsilon_{\text{model}}^i [\sigma_i(pp \rightarrow H) \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow XX)]_{\text{model}}}{\sum_i \epsilon_{\text{SM}}^i [\sigma_i(pp \rightarrow H) \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow XX)]_{\text{SM}}}.$$

(narrow width approximation assumed)

- 3 Perform a  $\chi^2$  **test** of model predictions against all available data from Tevatron and LHC, using **signal rate** and **mass measurements**.

Try to be as **model-independent** and **precise** as possible.

# Theoretical Input

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$\sigma$ , BR given via **effective couplings** or at **partonic/hadronic level** using the **HiggsBounds framework**:

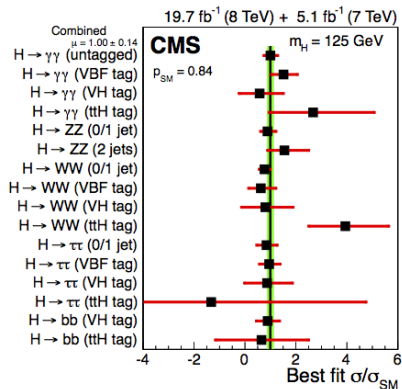
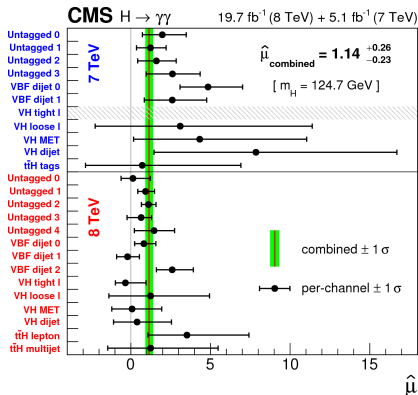
- ▶ **SLHA** (requires two HiggsBounds specific Blocks),
  - ▶ HiggsBounds specific **input data-files**, or
  - ▶ **Fortran 90 subroutines**.
- Input for specific models can be provided by other tools, e.g., FeynHiggs, CPsuperH, 2HDMC, SARAH/SPheno, NMSSMTools,...
- Many example programs provided.

# Experimental input

## • Signal strength measurements:

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with  $i \in \{\text{ggH}, \text{VBF}, \text{WH}, \text{ZH}, t\bar{t}H\}$  and efficiencies  $\epsilon_i$ .





# Efficiencies

Valuable information! Is included in [HiggsSignals](#) if available.

Expected signal and estimated background										
Event classes		SM Higgs boson expected signal ( $m_H=125$ GeV)							Background $m_{\gamma\gamma} = 125$ GeV (ev./GeV)	
		Total	ggH	VBF	VH	ttH	$\sigma_{\text{eff}}$ (GeV)	FWHM/2.35 (GeV)		
7 TeV 5.1 fb <sup>-1</sup>	Untagged 0	3.2	61.4%	16.8%	18.7%	3.1%	1.21	1.14	3.3	$\pm 0.4$
	Untagged 1	16.3	87.6%	6.2%	5.6%	0.5%	1.26	1.08	37.5	$\pm 1.3$
	Untagged 2	21.5	91.3%	4.4%	3.9%	0.3%	1.59	1.32	74.8	$\pm 1.9$
	Untagged 3	32.8	91.3%	4.4%	4.1%	0.2%	2.47	2.07	193.6	$\pm 3.0$
	Dijet tag	2.9	26.8%	72.5%	0.6%	–	1.73	1.37	1.7	$\pm 0.2$
8 TeV 19.6 fb <sup>-1</sup>	Untagged 0	17.0	72.9%	11.6%	12.9%	2.6%	1.36	1.27	22.1	$\pm 0.5$
	Untagged 1	37.8	83.5%	8.4%	7.1%	1.0%	1.50	1.39	94.3	$\pm 1.0$
	Untagged 2	150.2	91.6%	4.5%	3.6%	0.4%	1.77	1.54	570.5	$\pm 2.6$
	Untagged 3	159.9	92.5%	3.9%	3.3%	0.3%	2.61	2.14	1060.9	$\pm 3.5$
	Dijet tight	9.2	20.7%	78.9%	0.3%	0.1%	1.79	1.50	3.4	$\pm 0.2$
	Dijet loose	11.5	47.0%	50.9%	1.7%	0.5%	1.87	1.60	12.4	$\pm 0.4$
	Muon tag	1.4	0.0%	0.2%	79.0%	20.8%	1.85	1.52	0.7	$\pm 0.1$
	Electron tag	0.9	1.1%	0.4%	78.7%	19.8%	1.88	1.54	0.7	$\pm 0.1$
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ tag	1.7	22.0%	2.6%	63.7%	11.7%	1.79	1.64	1.8	$\pm 0.1$

An interface to insert *relative efficiency scale factors*  $\zeta^i \equiv \epsilon_{\text{model}}^i / \epsilon_{\text{SM}}^i$  per tested parameter point and analysis is provided since [HiggsSignals-1.1](#).

## HiggsSignals: The $\chi^2$ evaluation

In the  $\chi^2$  evaluation, we try to take into account the **correlations of the major systematic uncertainties**, that are publicly known. These are

- fully correlated **luminosity uncertainty**:  $\Delta\mathcal{L}$ ,
- fully correlated **theoretical rate uncertainties**:  $\Delta\sigma_i$ ,  $\Delta\text{BR}_i$ .  
(assume inclusive rate uncertainties given by the LHC Higgs XS WG)  
[\[LHC HXSWG, YR3, 1307.1347\]](#)

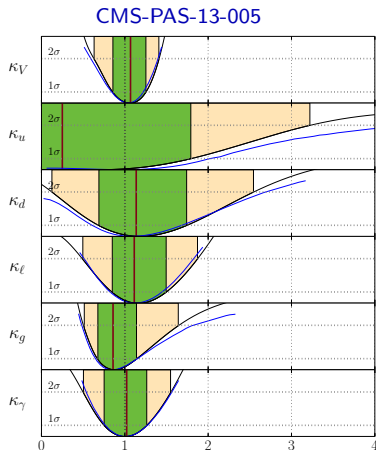
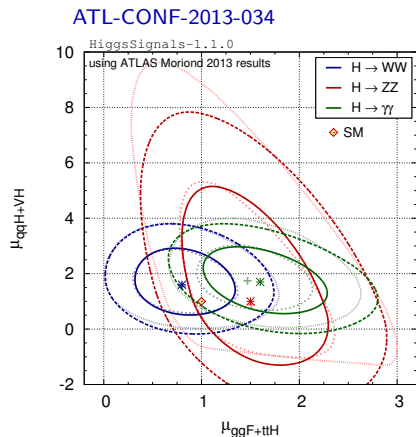
Other correlations of systematics can be incorporated if publicly known (see later).

The global  $\chi^2$  for the signal strength measurements is then given by

$$\chi_\mu^2 = (\hat{\mu} - \mu)^T \mathbf{C}_\mu^{-1} (\hat{\mu} - \mu).$$

A similar calculation is done for the mass observables  $\Rightarrow \chi_m^2$ .

# Validation with ATLAS and CMS results



⇒ Generally good agreement! Main limiting factors / challenges:  
Missing public information on signal efficiencies, correlated systematics,...

# Incorporating correlations of systematic uncertainties

Systematics will become more important with increasing statistics!

With assumption that systematic uncertainties are Gaussian, their correlations between different  $\mu$  measurements can be included in the covariance matrix.

Need to know from experimentalists:

*“By how much (and in which direction) does a  $1\sigma$  variation of a common source of systematic uncertainty affect the measured  $\mu$  values?”*

Simple example:

- 2 measurements  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  with total uncertainties  $\Delta\mu_1, \Delta\mu_2$
- one common systematic uncertainty, affecting  $\mu_1$  by 15% and  $\mu_2$  by  $-5\%$ .

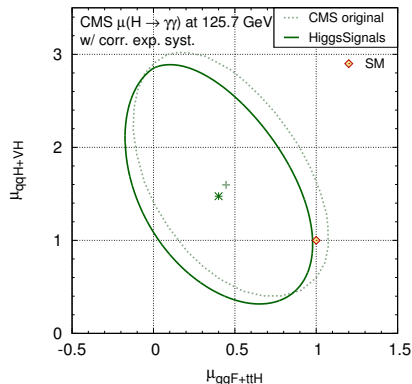
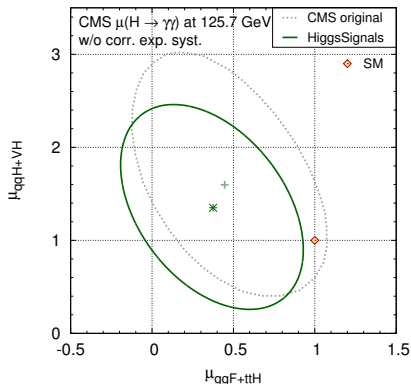
$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{C}_\mu = \begin{pmatrix} (\Delta\mu_1)^2 & 0.15\mu_1 \cdot (-0.05)\mu_2 \\ 0.15\mu_1 \cdot (-0.05)\mu_2 & (\Delta\mu_2)^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Formalism can be generalized for systematics that affect differently the individual signal components (e.g. anti-correlation between ggF and VBF components),

Similar procedure as used in Higgs search combinations by LEP.

# Impact of including correlations of systematic uncertainties

Using CMS  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  measurements from *before* Summer 2014.

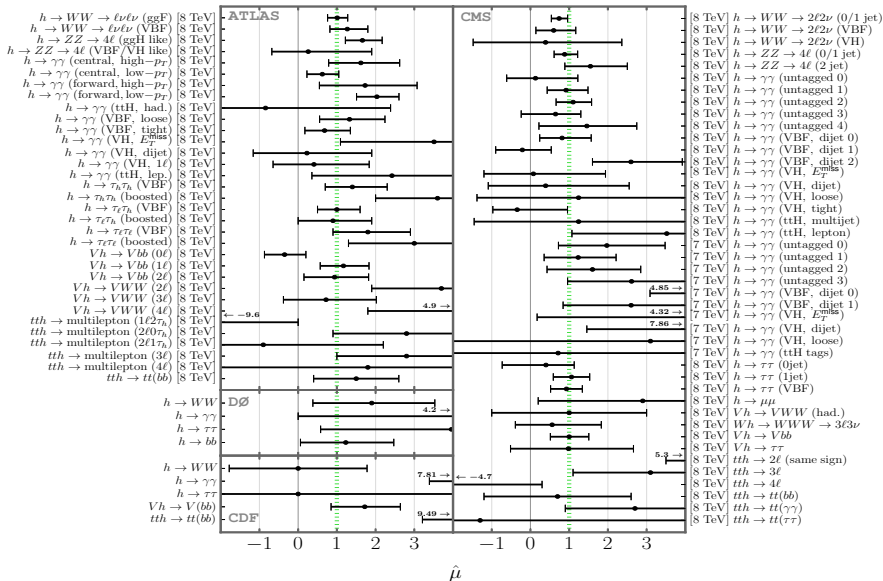


- Event migration of 12.5% (15%) between neighboring untagged categories (loose and tight dijet categories),
- Dijet tagging efficiency  $\rightarrow$  anti-correlated uncertainties between  $ggH$  and VBF of  $\sim 15\%$  in dijet categories, etc. . .

# Observables included in HiggsSignals-1.4.0

*in total:* 85 signal rate + 4 mass measurements

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# Complications with multiple neutral Higgs bosons

Any neutral Higgs boson could be responsible for the observed signal.

- Higgs boson  $i$  is *assigned* to the observable  $\alpha$ , if its mass is close enough to observed signal position:

$$|m_i - \hat{m}_\alpha| \leq \Lambda \sqrt{(\Delta m_i)^2 + (\Delta \hat{m}_\alpha)^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{Higgs } i \text{ assigned}$$

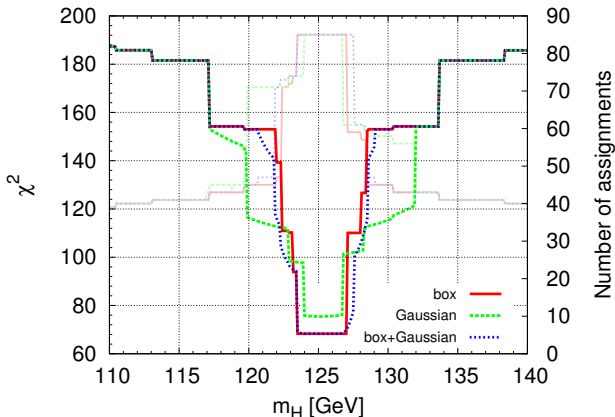
with tuning parameter  $\Lambda \simeq 1$  (assignment range).

- If multiple Higgs bosons are assigned, their signal strengths are added incoherently:  $\mu_\alpha = \sum_i \mu_{\alpha,i}$ . In case of a mass measurement, a signal-strength weighted mass average is used in the  $\chi_m^2$  evaluation.
- If **no** Higgs boson is assigned to an observable  $\alpha$ , its  $\chi^2$  contribution is evaluated for **zero predicted signal strength**,  $\mu_\alpha = 0$ .

# Mass dependence of total $\chi^2$ for a SM-like Higgs boson

**HiggsSignals** provides three different probability distribution functions (pdfs) for the Higgs mass: **box-shaped**, **Gaussian**, **box-theo.+Gaussian-exp.**

*Example:* SM Higgs boson with  $\Delta m = 2$  GeV (and  $\Lambda = 1$ )



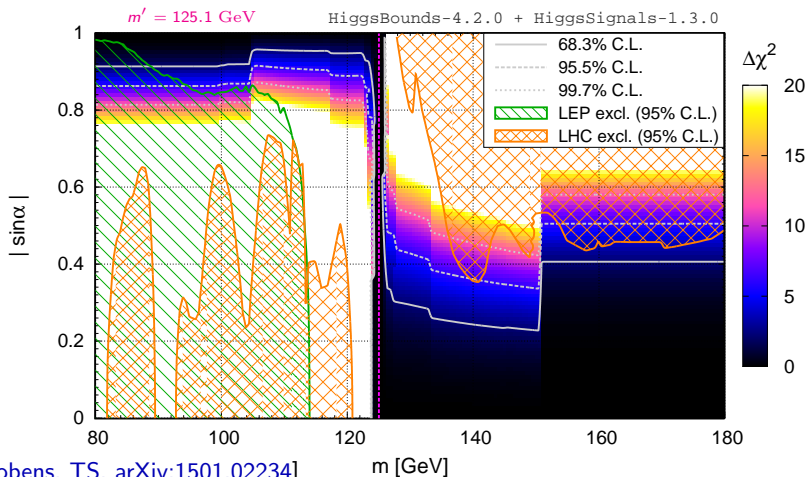


# Example: Real Higgs singlet extension of the SM

- consider SM extended by a real Higgs singlet with  $v_{\text{ev}} \neq 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  doublet-singlet mixing to physical states ( $h, H$ )

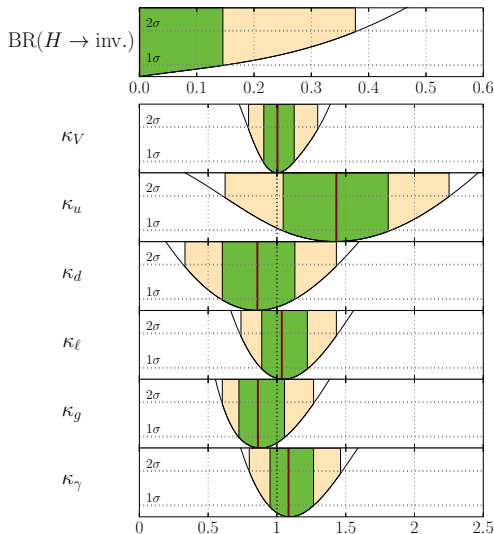
$$g_{hXX} = \cos \theta g_{HXX}^{\text{SM}}, \quad g_{HXX} = \sin \theta g_{HXX}^{\text{SM}}$$



[T. Robens, TS, arXiv:1501.02234]

# Example: $\kappa$ scale factors

ATLAS  $\oplus$  CMS  $\oplus$  CDF  $\oplus$  DØ combined (March 2014)



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- $1\sigma$  precision of scale factors  $\sim \mathcal{O}(10 - 30\%)$ .

⇒ Still plenty of room for possible deviations!

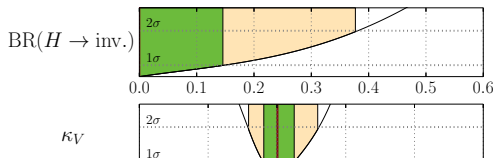
Future prospects:

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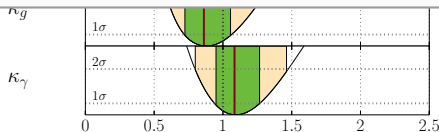
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## More HiggsBounds/HiggsSignals applications:

- M. Hamer (Fittino) — CMSSM analysis Thursday 2:00pm
- M. Dolan (MasterCode) — pMSSM10 analysis Thursday 2:40pm
- TS — pMSSM7 analysis Thursday 3:00pm



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**Thanks for your attention!**

# Backup Slides

# Probing deviations in the Higgs couplings

- What is the compatibility of the present data with the SM?
- Are there tendencies for deviations from the SM prediction?
- What is the allowed range for possible deviations?

*Strategy:* Profile likelihood fits of **simplified models with scale factors** ( $\kappa$ ) parametrizing the **relevant Higgs couplings**. [LHC Higgs XS WG, 1307.1347]

$$\kappa_u, \kappa_d, \kappa_\ell, \kappa_W, \kappa_Z, \kappa_g, \kappa_\gamma, \dots$$

Partial widths and cross sections are scaled with relevant scale factor. E.g.:

$$\kappa_V^2 = \frac{\sigma_{VBF}}{\sigma_{VBF}^{\text{SM}}} = \frac{\sigma_{VH}}{\sigma_{VH}^{\text{SM}}} = \frac{\Gamma_{H \rightarrow VV^*}}{\Gamma_{H \rightarrow VV^*}^{\text{SM}}}, \quad \kappa_g^2 = \frac{\sigma_{ggF}}{\sigma_{ggF}^{\text{SM}}} = \frac{\Gamma_{H \rightarrow gg}}{\Gamma_{H \rightarrow gg}^{\text{SM}}}$$

Loop-induced coupling scale factors ( $\kappa_g, \kappa_\gamma$ ) either derived or free parameters.

We allow **additional decay modes to “new physics”**:  $\text{BR}(H \rightarrow \text{NP})$