

Framework for Extracting (Effective) Higgs Couplings in $h \rightarrow 4\ell$

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Parametrization of Effective Couplings

- Can consider the following $d \lesssim 5$ Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} \supset & \frac{1}{4v} \left(2A_1^{ZZ} m_Z^2 h Z^\mu Z_\mu + A_2^{ZZ} h Z^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} + A_3^{ZZ} h Z^{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}_{\mu\nu} \right. \\ & - 4A_4^{ZZ} h Z_\mu \square Z^\mu - 2A_5^{ZZ} \left(\frac{m_Z}{m_h} \right)^2 \square h Z_\mu Z^\mu \\ & \left. + 2A_2^{Z\gamma} F^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} + 2A_3^{Z\gamma} F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}_{\mu\nu} + A_2^{\gamma\gamma} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + A_3^{\gamma\gamma} F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} \right)\end{aligned}$$

- In 1-to-1 mapping to usual $d = 6$ operators using Higgs doublet
- Leads to the vertex structures,

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_i^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{i}{v} \left((A_1^i + A_4^i \left(\frac{k_1^2 + k_2^2}{m_Z^2} \right) + A_5^i \left(\frac{\hat{s}}{m_h^2} \right)) m_Z^2 g^{\mu\nu} \right. \\ & \left. + A_2^i (k_1^\nu k_2^\mu - k_1 \cdot k_2 g^{\mu\nu}) + A_3^i \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} k_{1\alpha} k_{2\beta} \right)\end{aligned}$$

(where $A_1^{Z\gamma,\gamma\gamma} = A_4^{Z\gamma,\gamma\gamma} = A_5^{Z\gamma,\gamma\gamma} = 0$)

- Note that only sensitive to A_5^{ZZ} for off-shell Higgs decays
- Need framework which can extract these couplings simultaneously

Constructing 'Sensitivity Curves'

- Let us start by examining 'sensitivity curves' for the hVV' loop induced couplings as a function of number of events (or luminosity)
- Consider a (slightly) simplified parametrization (fixing $A_1^{ZZ} = 2$):

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{\hbar}{4v} \left(2A_1^{ZZ} m_Z^2 Z^\mu Z_\mu + A_2^{ZZ} Z^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} + A_3^{ZZ} Z^{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}_{\mu\nu} \right. \\ \left. + 2A_2^{Z\gamma} F^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} + 2A_3^{Z\gamma} F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}_{\mu\nu} + A_2^{\gamma\gamma} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} + A_3^{\gamma\gamma} F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu} \right)$$

- We perform a 6D parameter fit to the 6 loop induced couplings:

$$\vec{A} = (A_2^{ZZ}, A_3^{ZZ}, A_2^{Z\gamma}, A_3^{Z\gamma}, A_2^{\gamma\gamma}, A_3^{\gamma\gamma})$$

(In SM A_2^i generated at 1-loop and $\mathcal{O}(10^{-2} - 10^{-3})$ while A_3^i only appear at 3-loop)

- All couplings floated simultaneously to keep all correlations
- We plot the 'average error' as function of number of events:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \langle |\hat{A} - \vec{A}_o| \rangle$$

(\hat{A} is best fit point, \vec{A}_o is 'true' value, and average taken over large set of PE)

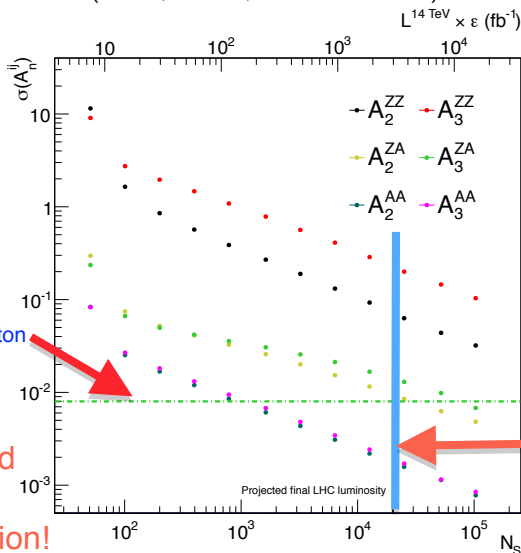
Sensitivity Projections for Couplings: $\vec{A}_0 = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$

For low numbers of events can float the coupling individually and achieve better sensitivity. Can put a meaningful constraint on all couplings and serves as consistency check with other direct measurements.

SM value for CP even photon coupling

We have applied 'CMS-like' cuts and reconstruction!

(Y. Chen, R. Harnik, RVM: [arXiv:1404.1336](https://arxiv.org/abs/1404.1336))



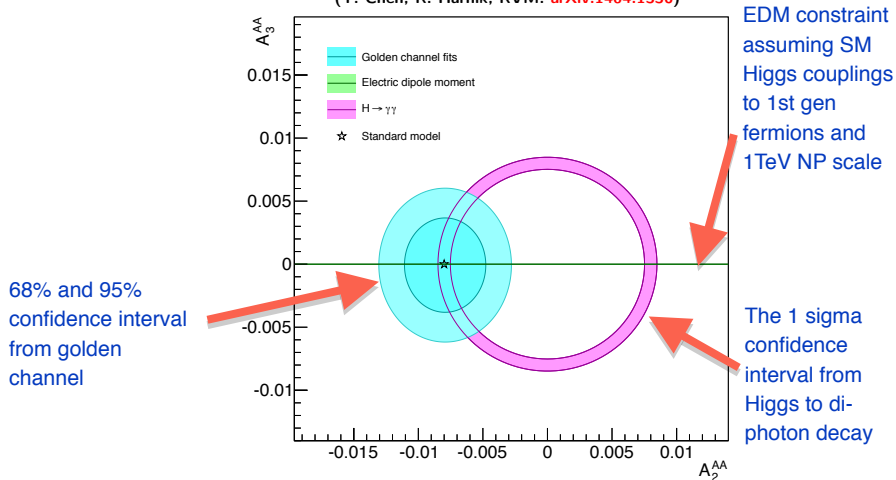
All possible interference effects between intermediate states as well as identical final states in case of $4e/4\mu$ are included.

Approximate end of HL LHC running (3000/fb)

Golden Channel vs. $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and EDMs: $\vec{A}_o = (0, 0, 0, 0, -0.008, 0)$

- What can be done with $\sim 3000 fb^{-1}$ in golden channel vs. $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$?

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LHC should directly establish CP nature of Higgs couplings to photons!

'Detector level' Likelihood

- Of course what we really want is to **do all of this at 'detector level'**
- Need a likelihood that takes **reconstructed observables as input**
- **This can be done by a convolution** of the *analytic* 'generator level' *pdf* with a transfer function $T(\vec{X}^R|\vec{X}^G)$ over generator level observables

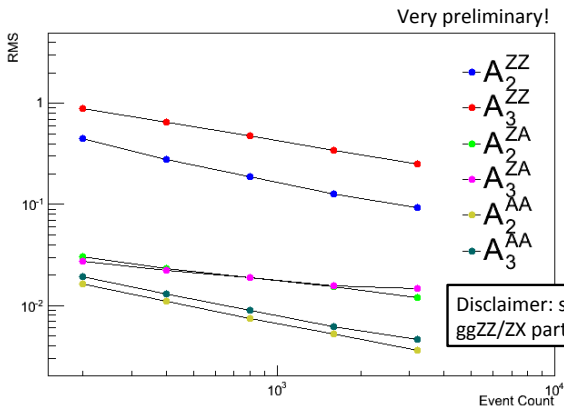
$$P(\vec{X}^R|\vec{A}) = \int P(\vec{X}^G|\vec{A})T(\vec{X}^R|\vec{X}^G)d\vec{X}^G$$
$$\vec{X} \equiv (\vec{p}_T, Y, \phi, \hat{s}, M_1, M_2, \vec{\Omega})$$

Note: Not done by MC integration \Rightarrow done via C.O.V. and numerical techniques

- $T(\vec{X}^R|\vec{X}^G)$ represents probability to observe \vec{X}^R given \vec{X}^G
- Can be optimized for specific detector and included in convolution
- This integration **takes us from generator level** observables (\vec{X}^G) **to detector level** (reconstructed) observables (\vec{X}^R)
- **Conceptually simple**, but requires a number of steps to perform (and massive computing) [details in arXiv:1401.2077](#) and [technical note to appear soon](#)
- We have performed this **12-D convolution for signal and background**

The 6D Fit at *Detector Level*: $\vec{A}_o = (0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)$

- We perform same 'toy' 6D fit as in generator (signal only) case
- Includes detector as well as (most) background and production effects
 - All ratios are fitted simultaneously

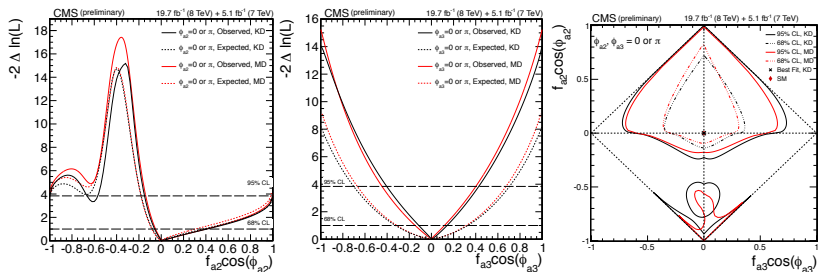


Absolute scale is related to the pure term cross section. Will be clearer once we convert to fa3-like quantities

Disclaimer: systematics not included
ggZZ/ZX parts needs to be finalized!

- We see **very similar sensitivity** to 'generator level' analysis

- Used in recent CMS study of anomalous hVV couplings in $h \rightarrow 4\ell$



- Used in a limited scope so as to validate with other frameworks
- Performance in these cases was found to be similar
- Can begin utilizing full power of framework in future studies
- A simultaneous extraction of all effective Higgs couplings!**

Summary

- Can use $h \rightarrow 4\ell$ to extract Higgs couplings to ZZ , $Z\gamma$, and $\gamma\gamma$
- For anomalous couplings strongest sensitivity will be for $\gamma\gamma$
- We have built a complete framework which can extract all couplings simultaneously and at 'detector level' in short computing time
- Independent of parametrization and easily adapted to whichever parametrization is most convenient at a given time
- Also can be used to search for other NP like exotic Higgs decays
- Framework is also easily adapted to $h \rightarrow 2\ell\gamma$ and $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

THANKS!

For more information see:

Y. Chen, N. Tran, RVM: [arXiv:1211.1959](#),

Y. Chen, RVM: [arXiv:1310.2893](#),

Y. Chen, E. DiMarco, J. Lykken, M. Spiropulu, RVM, S. Xie: [arXiv:1401.2077](#),

Y. Chen, R. Harnick, RVM: [arXiv:1404.1336](#),

CMS Collaboration: [CMS PAS HIG-14-014](#)

Extra Slides

The Full PDF

- We need a function for the 'production' spectrum to form full pdf

$$P(\vec{p}_T, Y, \phi, \hat{s}, M_1, M_2, \vec{\Omega} | \vec{A}) =$$
$$W_{\text{prod}}(\vec{p}_T, Y, \phi, \hat{s}) \times \frac{d\sigma_{4\ell}(\hat{s}, M_1, M_2, \vec{\Omega} | \vec{A})}{dM_1^2 dM_2^2 d\vec{\Omega}}$$

Note decay part treated at fixed \hat{s}

- For signal W_{prod} includes NLO $gg \rightarrow h$ process (can include VBF)
- For BG NLO $q\bar{q} \rightarrow 4\ell, gg \rightarrow 4\ell, qg, q\bar{q} \rightarrow 4\ell + j$ (and $Z + X$)
- Of course W_{prod} also includes parton distribution functions
- Several options for obtaining W_{prod} :
 - ▶ Compute as much analytically as possible
 - ▶ Can construct 'analytic parametrizations' of W_{prod}
 - ▶ Use 'look up' tables and boost events accordingly
 - ▶ A 'hybrid method' of these approaches
- Since we ultimately fit to ratios of parameters and average over (\vec{p}_T, Y, ϕ) , analysis largely insensitive to 'production effects'
- Enters mainly as an acceptance effect due to detector

Constructing a Maximum Likelihood Analysis

- A **likelihood** can be formed out of probability density functions (*pdfs*) using some set of observables as follows

$$L(\vec{A}) = \prod_{\mathcal{O}}^N \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{O}|\vec{A})$$

(where \mathcal{O} is set of observables and \vec{A} a set of undetermined parameters)

- $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{O}|\vec{A})$ built out of **fully differential cross section** for observables
- The *pdf* takes in the set **observables \mathcal{O} as its input**
- $L(\vec{A})$ is a function of undetermined parameters and represents the **likelihood for observing a given data set** (N events of \mathcal{O})
- With this one can go on to do **direct parameter extraction of \vec{A}**

Parameter Extraction From Maximum Likelihood

- This is done by **maximizing the likelihood** with respect to \vec{A}

$$\frac{\partial L(\vec{A})}{\partial \vec{A}} \Big|_{\vec{A}=\hat{A}} = 0$$

- For a given data set of N events \hat{A} gives the value of the parameter which maximizes the likelihood OR **the most likely value of \vec{A}**
- **To estimate error** repeat for a large set of \mathcal{N} pseudo-experiments and **obtain a distribution for \hat{A}** with a given spread and average value \bar{A}
- The true value \vec{A}_0 will sit in some interval around \bar{A}
- In the limit as $\mathcal{N} \rightarrow \infty$ one will find $\bar{A} \rightarrow \vec{A}_0$
- **Conceptually straightforward, but technically challenging...**

Extracting of Effective Higgs Couplings in Golden Channel

- Obtain **analytic generator level pdf** $P(\vec{X}^G|\vec{A})$ (i.e. fully diff cxn)
- **Perform convolution** with transfer function over 12 CM variables

$$P(\vec{X}^R|\vec{A}) = \int P(\vec{X}^G|\vec{A})T(\vec{X}^R|\vec{X}^G)d\vec{X}^G$$

- Normalize over \vec{X}^R ; **build detector level likelihood** as function of \vec{A}

$$L(\vec{A}) = \prod_{\vec{X}^R}^N \mathcal{P}(\vec{X}^R|\vec{A})$$

- **Maximize likelihood** with respect to undetermined parameters

$$\left. \frac{\partial L(\vec{A})}{\partial \vec{A}} \right|_{\vec{A}=\hat{A}} = 0$$

- Obtain \hat{A} for data set of N observables \Rightarrow **Extract Higgs couplings**

Advantages of Framework for Parameter Extraction

- **Speed, Stability, and Precision:**
 - ▶ Because final likelihood is an 'analytic' (simple quadratic) function of parameters \vec{A} , **once likelihood is built, parameter fitting extremely fast**
 - ▶ Even for large number of events or **multi-dimensional parameter fits**
 - ▶ Maximum of the likelihood is always found with very high convergence rate ($> 99\%$) \Rightarrow **accurate and precise extraction of parameters**
- **Flexibility and Generality:**
 - ▶ One **can easily perform any combination of parameter fits** desired
 - ▶ **Trivial to perform reparametrizations of parameters** for more intuitive interpretation or to avoid degeneracies in parameter space
 - ▶ Allows us to **account for potential correlations** between parameters
 - ▶ **Can incorporate different transfer functions** to include detector effects
 - ▶ **Easy to include other exotic Higgs interactions**, i.e. Z' 's, VLLs, etc.
- **Intuitiveness and Transparency of Physics:**
 - ▶ **Conceptually straightforward**: we simply maximize the likelihood, no hypothesis testing or construction of discriminants
 - ▶ **Interpretation of physics is straightforward** and transparent
- **Likelihood is (mostly) un-binned and uses all 8 decay observables!**