Electroweak precision tests at hadron colliders

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based on Farina, GP, Pappadopulo, Ruderman, Torre, Wulzer '16 and in progress w/ Franceschini, Pomarol, Riva, Wulzer

Hadron colliders vs Lepton colliders

Hadron and lepton colliders are **antithetical** machines



hadron colliders

high energy reach

limited accuracy (large systematics \gtrsim few %)

exploration of new energy ranges direct searches





limited energy reach

high accuracy (small systematics < %)

precision measurements

indirect searches

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If new physics is heavy, low-energy effects are well described by the **EFT language**:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\rm SM} + \sum_{i} \frac{c_i^{(6)}}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)} + \sum_{i} \frac{c_i^{(8)}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_i^{(8)} + \cdots$$



leading corrections from dimension-6 operators $\mathcal{O}_i^{(6)}$

deviations from SM typically grow with energy

$$\frac{\mathcal{A}_{\rm SM+BSM}}{\mathcal{A}_{\rm SM}} \sim 1 + \# \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

◆ LHC could match LEP sensitivity by going at high energy
 0.1 % at 100 GeV → 10 % at 1 TeV

EFT validity



Restrictions:

- necessary condition: $E \lesssim \Lambda \Rightarrow (E^2/\Lambda^2) \lesssim 1$
- in many cases: # < 1

$$\rightarrow \frac{\delta \mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{A}_{\rm SM}} \lesssim 1$$

- ◆ leading effects are linear in BSM (from interference with SM)
- a meaningful bound can be obtained only if the precision is better than the SM
- analysis must be restricted to events below the cut-off

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• Only three channels interfere at leading order in $(\varepsilon_v)^0 = (m_v/E)^0$



N.B. amplitudes with longitudinal modes accidentally suppressed

$$\sigma_{\rm SM}(\psi\overline{\psi}\to V_L V_L)\sim 0.002 \ \sigma_{\rm SM}(\psi\overline{\psi}\to V_T V_T)$$
$$\sigma_{\rm SM}(V_L V_L\to V_L V_L)\sim 0.1 \ \sigma_{\rm SM}(V_T V_T\to V_T V_T)$$

← Channels with transverse vectors interfere only at subleading order eg. $\mathcal{A}_{\text{SM}}(\psi \overline{\psi} V_{(+)} V_{(-)}) \sim \varepsilon_{\text{V}}^{0}$ $\mathcal{A}_{\text{BSM}_{6}}(\psi \overline{\psi} V_{(+)} V_{(-)}) \sim \varepsilon_{\text{V}}^{2}$

Three examples

In the following, three examples:

- Di-lepton Drell-Yan production
- + WZ production
- + $W\gamma$ production

An easy example: leading interference Di-lepton DY production

from Farina, GP, Pappadopulo, Ruderman, Torre, Wulzer '16



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+ Deformation of the gauge propagators from dim.-6 operators



LEP bounds at the 0.1% level



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W and Y: induce constant terms
 quadratically enhanced at high energy

Experimental uncertainty

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Neutral DY at 8 TeV [ATLAS 1606.01736]

$m_{\ell\ell}$	$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}m_{\ell\ell}}$	$\delta^{ m stat}$	$\delta^{ m sys}$	$\delta^{ m tot}$
[GeV]	[pb/GeV]	[%]	[%]	[%]
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 run-l error dominated by statistics
 large improvement possible at run-2
 systematic error ~2%

Theory uncertainty

Theory errors well under control

- accurate cross section computations
 - NNLO QCD accuracy (<1% scale variation error) [FEWZ]
 - NLO EW corrections known
- small photon pdf uncertainty [Manohar, Nason, Salam, Zanderighi '16]
- ◆ small q- \overline{q} pdf uncertainty (error $\lesssim 10\%$ for E $\lesssim 3$ 4 TeV)





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- Charged DY at 8 TeV could improve LEP bound on W (experimental analysis not available, our extrapolation assumes 5% syst.)
- + I3 TeV measurements will be much better than LEP



 FCC₁₀₀ could improve the LHC bound by more than one order of magnitude

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- Limits at LHC-300 still statistically dominated HL-LHC benefits from larger statistics at high energy

Important to assess the range of validity of the EFT

- the cut-off is a free parameter of the EFT (encodes information on the UV theory)
- bounds must be set as a function of the cut-off (considering only data below the cut-off)
- cut-off can not be arbitrarily large:
 maximal cut-off depending on the effective description







Comparison with direct searches

competitive with direct searches on new vector states with O(1) couplings



Looking for subleading channels The WZ process

in progress w/ Franceschini, Pomarol, Riva, Wulzer

WZ production



Clean fully-leptonic final state: $q\overline{q} \to WZ \to (\ell\nu)(\ell\ell)$

- small background
- + systematic uncertainties under control (\lesssim few %)

[ATLAS Phys. Rev. D 93 (2016)]

Energy enhanced new-physics effects in **longitudinal channel** (no enhancement in transverse channels due to non-interference theorem)

$$\mathcal{O}_L^{(3)} = (iH^{\dagger}\sigma^a \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}_{\mu}H)(\overline{q}_L \sigma^a \gamma^{\mu} q_L)$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{A}_{00}^{\rm SM+BSM}(q\overline{q} \to WZ)}{\mathcal{A}_{00}^{\rm SM}(q\overline{q} \to WZ)} = 1 + 4\frac{s}{\Lambda^2}c_L^{(3)}$$

leading correction from interference with SM

WZ production

... but **transverse** channels **dominate** the SM cross section

large cross section due to t-channel singularity (only there for transverse)



cross sections with standard acceptance cuts:

	σ_{tot}	σ_{LL}	σ_{LL}/σ_{tot}	
8 TeV	12 pb	0.73 pb	<u>c</u> M	
$13 { m TeV}$	25 pb	1.5 pb	6%	

(BR for fully-leptonic decay not included $BR(WZ \rightarrow (\ell\nu)(\ell\ell)) \simeq 1.5\%$)

Extracting the longitudinal channel

Transverse amplitudes vanish for (nearly) central scattering [Baur, Han, Ohnemus '94] $A_{(+-)}(u\overline{d} \rightarrow WZ), \quad A_{(-+)}(u\overline{d} \rightarrow WZ) \propto \cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} \tan \theta_{W}$

- + longitudinal amplitude dominates for $\theta \sim 90^\circ$
- cuts in \hat{s} and $\cos \theta$ can be used to isolate the longitudinal channel



13	σ_{tot}	σ_{LL}	σ_{LL}/σ_{tot}	
$ \cos \theta < 0.5$	$\sqrt{\hat{s}} > 300 \text{ GeV}$	630 fb	230 fb	37%
$ \cos \theta < 0.5$	$\sqrt{\hat{s}} > 500 \text{ GeV}$	80 fb	34 fb	42%

Sensitivity to new physics

Good sensitivity to new physics:

$c_L^{(3)}$	$(iH^{\dagger}\sigma^{a}D)$	$H(\overline{a} \sigma^{a} \gamma^{\mu} \sigma_{\tau})$
$(1 \text{ TeV})^2$	(i I	$(q_L o \gamma q_L)$

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$(\cos\theta < 0.5)$	σ_{LL}	σ_{LL}/σ_{tot}	$\delta\sigma_{tot}$	σ_{LL}	σ_{LL}/σ_{tot}	$\delta\sigma_{tot}$	
SM	230 fb	37%		34 fb	42%		
$c_L^{(3)} = 0.05$	290 fb	43%	6%	46 fb	52%	10%	
$c_L^{(3)} = 0.5$	470 fb	61%	24%	92 fb	82%	40%	

In progress:

- realistic analysis
 - find sensitive observables/distributions (c.o.m. reconstruction?)
 - systematics (detector effects, ...)
- comparison with existing bounds

Azimuthal correlation The $W\gamma$ process

in progress w/ Franceschini, Pomarol, Riva, Wulzer

"Switching on" the interference

The **non-interference theorem** applies only if we are dealing with final states with definite helicity

when the gauge bosons decay helicities get "mixed"

interference between transverse and longitudinal channels gives rise to azimuthal correlations!

Important features:

- interference affects only the exclusive cross section:
 it modifies only the azimuthal distribution of the decay products
- interference is erased by integrating over the decay angles

Wy production

A simple process to explore interference is $W\gamma$ production

Polarized **production**:

$$\mathcal{A}_{(+-)}^{\text{SM}}, \mathcal{A}_{(-+)}^{\text{SM}} \sim 1$$
$$\mathcal{A}_{(0\pm)}^{\text{SM}} \sim \frac{m_{\text{W}}}{E}$$
$$\mathcal{A}_{(++)}^{\text{SM}}, \mathcal{A}_{(--)}^{\text{SM}} \sim \frac{m_{\text{W}}^2}{E^2}$$

Polarized W **decay**:

$$\mathcal{A}_{(+)} \sim (1 + \cos \chi) e^{i\phi}$$
$$\mathcal{A}_{(-)} \sim (-1 + \cos \chi) e^{-i\phi}$$
$$\mathcal{A}_{(+)} \sim -\sqrt{2} \sin \chi$$

◆ azimuthal phase depending on W polarization

Wy production: the amplitude

Total amplitude:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{A}_{tot}|^2 &\sim (1+c_{\chi})^2 |\mathcal{A}_{(+\pm)}|^2 + (1-c_{\chi})^2 |\mathcal{A}_{(-\pm)}|^2 + 2s_{\chi}^2 |\mathcal{A}_{(0\pm)}|^2 \\ &- 2s_{\chi}^2 \operatorname{Re}[\mathcal{A}_{(+\pm)}\mathcal{A}_{(-\pm)}^* e^{2i\phi}] \\ &- 2\sqrt{2}(1+c_{\chi})s_{\chi} \operatorname{Re}[\mathcal{A}_{(+\pm)}\mathcal{A}_{(0\pm)}^* e^{i\phi}] \\ &+ 2\sqrt{2}(1-c_{\chi})s_{\chi} \operatorname{Re}[\mathcal{A}_{(-\pm)}\mathcal{A}_{(0\pm)}^* e^{-i\phi}] \end{aligned}$$
 no interference:
azimuthal correlations

interference terms lead to non-trivial dependence on ϕ

Wy production: TGC corrections



Conclusions

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Hadron colliders can be used to get precision EW measurements

exploit energy growth of new-physics effects

Challenges:

- ← accessing high-energy tails, good statistics (eg. 2 → 2 scattering)
- + accuracy, low systematic uncertainties (eg. leptonic final states)

LHC can be **competitive** or even **better than LEP**

Proof of principle: W and Y from di-lepton DY

Many more channels to explore (eg. di-boson production)

Backup

The SM prediction

The SM predictions are in excellent agreement with the data



• Deviations for W, Y ~ 10^{-3} clearly visible

alternative descriptions of W and Y in terms of dim.-6 operators

form factor picture

new physics coupled only to SM gauge bosons (eg. composite Higgs with vector resonances)

contact interactions picture



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maximal cut-off is different!

$$\Lambda_{max} = \frac{m_{\rm W}}{\max(\sqrt{W}, \sqrt{Y})}$$

new operators smaller than SM kinetic terms BSM < SM always

$$\Lambda_{max}' = \frac{4\pi m_{\rm W}/g}{\max(\sqrt{W}, t_{\rm W}\sqrt{Y})} \gg \Lambda_{max}$$

perturbativity bound BSM can be larger than SM

+ the two pictures are equivalent only at low energy

Comparison with future colliders

Bounds on W and Y at different colliders

		LEP	ATLAS 8	CMS 8	LHC	13	$100{\rm TeV}$	ILC	TLEP	ILC $500 \mathrm{GeV}$
lu	iminosity	$2 \times 10^7 Z$	$19.7{\rm fb}^{-1}$	$20.3\mathrm{fb}^{-1}$	$0.3\mathrm{ab}^{-1}$	$3 \mathrm{ab}^{-1}$	$10 \mathrm{ab}^{-1}$	$10^{9} Z$	$10^{12} Z$	$3\mathrm{ab}^{-1}$
NC	$W \times 10^4$	[-19, 3]	[-3, 15]	[-5, 22]	± 1.5	± 0.8	± 0.04	± 3	± 0.7	± 0.3
	$Y \times 10^4$	[-17, 4]	[-4, 24]	[-7, 41]	± 2.3	± 1.2	± 0.06	± 4	±1	± 0.2
$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{C}$	$W \times 10^4$		±:	3.9	± 0.7	± 0.45	± 0.02			

- ✦ HL-LHC comparable with TLEP
- ◆ FCC₁₀₀ much better than ILC 500 GeV