

Higgs couplings with or without SMEFT

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Workshop on the physics of HL-LHC, and perspectives at HE-LHC



Collider no-lose

- $Spp\bar{S}$ Find W and Z
- LEP Weakly vs strongly coupled EW breaking
- Tevatron Find top
- LHC Find Higgs
- HE LHC ?

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No-lose for HE-LHC

- Currently, there is no solid indication of a new physical scale within the reach of the next high-energy collider
- I will argue however the HE LHC is sure to settle one outstanding question about electroweak symmetry
- Namely, whether electroweak symmetry is realized linearly or non-linearly

Linear vs non-linear

Two mathematical formulations for theories with SM spectrum

Linear



$$SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

$$H \rightarrow LH, \quad L \in SU(2)_L$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} iG_+ \\ \frac{v+h-iG_z}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Non-linear

$$SU(3)_c \times U(1)_{em}$$

$$U \rightarrow g_L U g_Y^\dagger, \quad h \rightarrow h$$

$$U = \exp(2i\varphi^a T^a / v)$$

Practical difference consists in correlations between interactions terms with different number of Higgs bosons h predicted by linear formulation

SM EFT Approach to BSM

Basic assumptions

- Much as in SM, relativistic QFT with **linearly** realized $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ local symmetry spontaneously broken by VEV of Higgs doublet field

$$H \rightarrow LH, \quad L \in SU(2)_L$$

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \dots \\ v + h(x) + \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

- SM EFT Lagrangian** expanded in inverse powers of Λ , equivalently in operator dimension D

$$v \ll \Lambda \ll \Lambda_L$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM EFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_L} \mathcal{L}^{D=5} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{L}^{D=6} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_L^3} \mathcal{L}^{D=7} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{L}^{D=8} + \dots$$

Lepton number or B-L violating,
hence too small to probed at present
and near-future colliders

Generated by integrating out
heavy particles with mass scale Λ

In large class of BSM models that conserve B-L,
D=6 operators capture leading effects of new physics
on collider observables at $E \ll \Lambda$

Subleading
wrt D=6 if Λ
high enough

Introduce triplet of Goldstone field φ via unitary matrix U :

$$U = \exp(2i\varphi^a T^a / v)$$

Transformation of U under $SU(2)_L \times U(1)$ implies electroweak symmetry acts non-linearly on φ :

$$U \rightarrow g_L U g_Y^\dagger, \quad h \rightarrow h$$

Lagrangian organized in derivative expansion:

Higgs boson is perfect singlet under electroweak symmetry!

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_2 + \mathcal{L}_4 + \mathcal{L}_6 + \dots$$



Arbitrary polynomial of h allowed to multiply each term in $\mathcal{L}_{\text{HEFT}}$!

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_2 = & -\frac{1}{2} \langle G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle W_{\mu\nu} W^{\mu\nu} \rangle - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \sum_{\psi=q_L, l_L, u_R, d_R, e_R} \bar{\psi} i \not{D} \psi \\ & + \frac{v^2}{4} \langle D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U \rangle (1 + F_U(h)) + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h - V(h) \\ & - v \left[\bar{q}_L \left(Y_u + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Y_u^{(n)} \left(\frac{h}{v} \right)^n \right) U P_{+qR} + \bar{q}_L \left(Y_d + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Y_d^{(n)} \left(\frac{h}{v} \right)^n \right) U P_{-qR} \right. \\ & \left. + \bar{l}_L \left(Y_e + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Y_e^{(n)} \left(\frac{h}{v} \right)^n \right) U P_{-lR} + \text{h.c.} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$D_\mu U = \partial_\mu U + ig W_\mu U - ig' B_\mu U T_3$$

$$F_U(h) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_{U,n} \left(\frac{h}{v} \right)^n, \quad V(h) = v^4 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} f_{V,n} \left(\frac{h}{v} \right)^n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_4 = & a_1 g' g \langle U T_3 B_{\mu\nu} U^\dagger W^{\mu\nu} \rangle + ia_2 g' \langle U T_3 B_{\mu\nu} U^\dagger [V^\mu, V^\nu] \rangle - ia_3 g \langle W_{\mu\nu} [V^\mu, V^\nu] \rangle \\ & + a_4 \langle V_\mu V_\nu \rangle \langle V^\mu V^\nu \rangle + a_5 \langle V_\mu V^\mu \rangle \langle V_\nu V^\nu \rangle + \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} c_{\gamma\gamma} \frac{h}{v} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \frac{g^{hh}}{v^4} (\partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h)^2 \\ & + \frac{d^{hh}}{v^2} (\partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h) \langle D_\nu U^\dagger D^\nu U \rangle + \frac{e^{hh}}{v^2} (\partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h) \langle D^\mu U^\dagger D_\nu U \rangle + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Example: Higgs self-interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} \supset m^2 |H|^2 - \lambda |H|^4$$

$$\rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} m_h^2 h^2 - \frac{m_h^2}{2v} h^3 - \frac{m_h^2}{8v^2} h^4$$

SMEFT

HEFT

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} - \frac{c_6 (H^\dagger H)^3}{M^2}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{m_h^2}{2v} (1 + \delta\lambda_3) h^3 - \frac{m_h^2}{8v^2} (1 + \delta\lambda_4) h^4 - \frac{\lambda_5}{v} h^5 - \frac{\lambda_6}{v^2} h^6$$

$$\delta\lambda_3 = \frac{2v^4 c_6}{m_h^2 M^2} \quad \delta\lambda_4 = \frac{12v^4 c_6}{m_h^2 M^2} \quad \lambda_5 = \frac{3v^2 c_6}{4M^2} \quad \lambda_6 = \frac{v^2 c_6}{8M^2}$$

Correlations

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -c_3 \frac{m_h^2}{2v} h^3 - c_4 \frac{m_h^2}{8v^2} h^4 - c_5 \frac{1}{v} h^5 - c_6 \frac{1}{v^2} h^6 + \dots$$

No correlations

Difference of fundamental scale

- The correlations are hardly a smoking gun to distinguish two formalism as multi-Higgs interactions terms in Lagrangian can rarely be measured in practice. Moreover, particular HEFT couplings could be correlated by accident
- However, there is a difference in the underlying fundamental scale which, for HEFT, should lead to observable consequences when colliders probe energies $E \gg 4 \pi$

SMEFT



Can be smoothly taken to "infinity"

HEFT

$4\pi v$

Has fixed numerical value
of few TeV

SMEFT vs HEFT

AA,Rattazzi,
unpublished

HEFT = SMEFT + non-analytic terms

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HEFT}} = \frac{1}{2} f_h(h) \partial_\mu h \partial_\mu h - V(h) + \frac{v^2}{4} f_1(h) \text{Tr}[\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial_\mu U] + v^2 f_2(h) (\text{Tr}[U^\dagger \partial_\mu U \sigma_3])^2 + \dots$$

$$U = \exp(2i\varphi^a T^a / v)$$

One can always re-express non-linear Lagrangian in linear language by replacing:

$$U \rightarrow \frac{(\tilde{H}, H)}{\sqrt{H^\dagger H}}$$
$$h \rightarrow \sqrt{2H^\dagger H} - v$$

After this substitution, Lagrangian has linearly realized electroweak symmetry but contains terms that are non-analytic at $H=0$

However, a non-analytic term is in fact an infinite series of higher-order interactions, in this suppressed merely by low scale $v = 246 \text{ GeV}$

Example: brutal triple Higgs deformation

Given Lagrangian for Higgs boson h , one can always uplift it to manifestly $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ invariant form replacing

$$h \rightarrow \sqrt{2H^\dagger H} - v$$

$$\frac{m_h^2}{2} h^2 + \frac{m_h^2}{2v} (1 + \delta\lambda_3) h^3 + \frac{m_h^2}{8v^2} h^4 \quad \Lambda_3 = \frac{m_h^2}{2v} \delta\lambda_3$$

$$\rightarrow m^2 H^\dagger H + \lambda (H^\dagger H)^2 + 3\Lambda_3 v^2 (2H^\dagger H)^{1/2} + \Lambda_3 (2H^\dagger H)^{3/2}$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} iG_+ \\ \frac{v+h-iG_z}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$



$$V \supset \frac{3vm_h^2}{2} \delta\lambda_3 ((h+v)^2 + G^2)^{1/2} + \frac{m_h^2}{2v} \delta\lambda_3 ((h+v)^2 + G^2)^{3/2}.$$

$$G^2 = 2G_+G_- + G_z^2.$$

Non-analytic terms lead to infinite series of n -point Goldstone and Higgs boson interactions

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \mathcal{L}_{G^2} + \mathcal{L}_{G^4} + \mathcal{L}_{G^6} + \dots$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{G^2} = -m_h^2 (2G_+G_- + G_z^2) \left[\frac{h}{2v} + \frac{1 + 3\delta\lambda_3}{4} \frac{h^2}{v^2} - \frac{3\delta\lambda_3}{4} \frac{h^3}{v^3} + \dots \right]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{G^4} = -m_h^2 (2G_+G_- + G_z^2)^2 \left(\frac{1}{8v^2} + \frac{3\delta\lambda_3}{8} \frac{h}{v^3} - \frac{15\delta\lambda_3}{16} \frac{h^2}{v^4} + \dots \right)$$

Consequence: in deformed SM with $\delta\lambda_3 \neq 0$,

$VV \rightarrow n \times h$, $VV \rightarrow VV + n \times h$, ..., lose unitarity near scale $4\pi v$

Unitarity primer

S matrix unitarity

$$S^\dagger S = 1$$

symmetry factor
for n-body final state

implies relation between forward scattering amplitude,
and elastic and inelastic production cross sections

$$2\text{Im}\mathcal{M}(p_1, p_2 \rightarrow p_1, p_2) = S_2 \int d\Pi_2 |\mathcal{M}_{\text{el.}}(p_1, p_2 \rightarrow k_1, k_2)|^2 + \sum S_n \int d\Pi_n |\mathcal{M}_{\text{inel.}}(p_1, p_2 \rightarrow k_1 \dots k_n)|^2$$

Initial and final 2-body state can be projected to partial waves

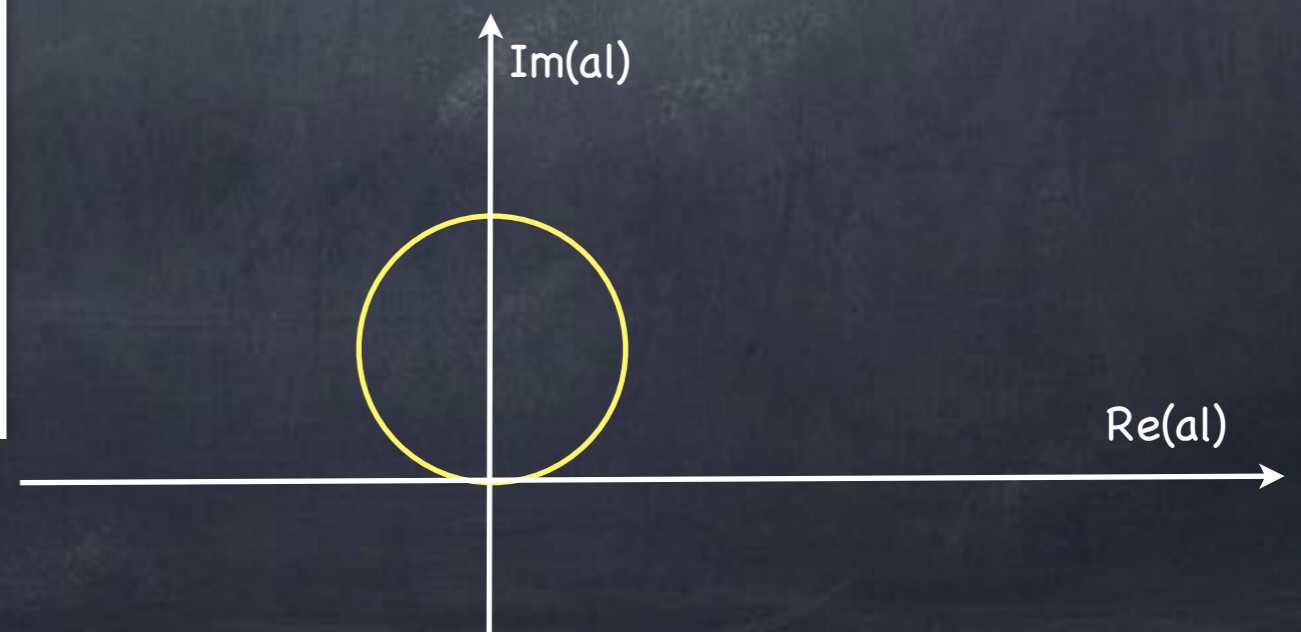
$$2\text{Im} a_l = |a_l|^2 + \sum_{n \in \text{inel.}} S_n \int d\Pi_n |\mathcal{M}(E, 0, l, m \rightarrow \{n\})|^2.$$

$$(\text{Re} a_l)^2 + (\text{Im} a_l - 1)^2 = R_l^2, \quad R_l = \sqrt{1 - \sum_{n \in \text{inel.}} S_n \int d\Pi_n |\mathcal{M}(E, 0, l, m \rightarrow \{n\})|^2}$$

This implies perturbative unitarity constraints on elastic and inelastic amplitudes

$$|\text{Re} a_l| \leq 1$$

$$\sum_{n \in \text{inel.}} S_n \int d\Pi_n |\mathcal{M}(E, 0, l, m \rightarrow \{n\})|^2 :$$

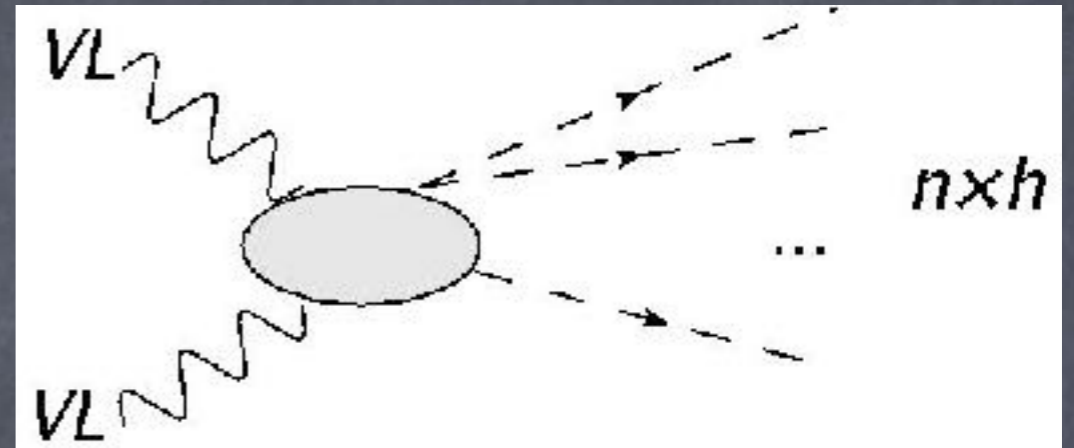


Multi-Higgs with HEFT-deformed Higgs cubic

Higgs potential with Goldstones

$$V \supset \frac{3vm_h^2}{2} \delta\lambda_3 ((h+v)^2 + G^2)^{1/2} + \frac{m_h^2}{2v} \delta\lambda_3 ((h+v)^2 + G^2)^{3/2}.$$

$$G^2 = 2G_+G_- + G_z^2.$$



Expanding to leading order in G^2

$$V \supset \delta\lambda_3 \frac{3m_h^2 v}{2} \frac{G^2}{h+v} = \delta\lambda_3 \frac{3m_h^2}{2} G^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{-h}{v} \right)^n.$$

s-wave isospin-0 amplitude

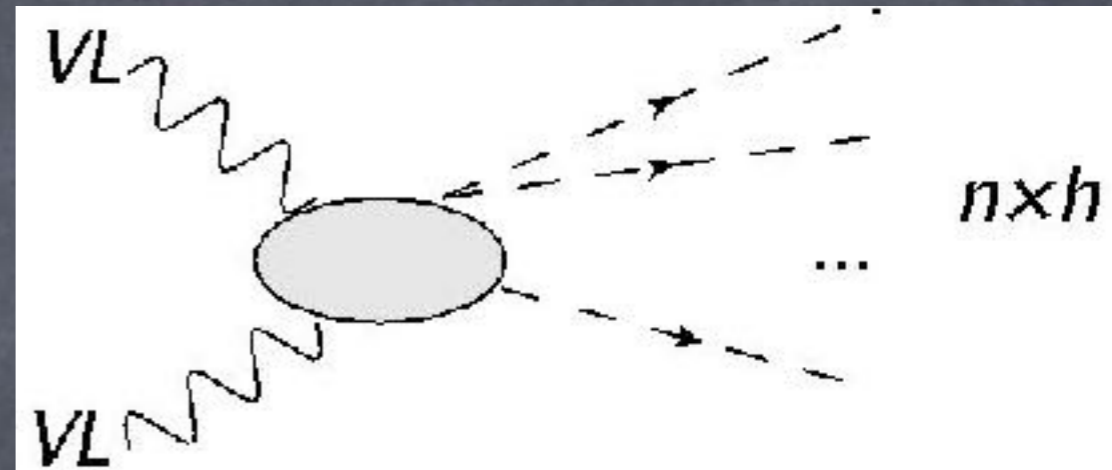
$$|\mathcal{M}([GG]_{I=0}^{l=0} \rightarrow h^n)| \equiv |\mathcal{M}_n| = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{\pi}} \delta\lambda_3 \frac{3\sqrt{3}n!m_h^2}{v^n}.$$

Multi-Higgs production amplitudes are only suppressed by scale v , leading to unitarity loss at some scale above v

Multi-Higgs with HEFT-deformed Higgs cubic

Perturbative unitarity bound on non-elastic amplitude

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} S_n \int d\Pi_n |\mathcal{M}_n|^2 \Big|_{\sqrt{s}=\Lambda_*} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} V_n(\Lambda_*) |\mathcal{M}_n|^2 \sim \pi^2,$$



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Sum over n Higgs bosons exponentiates

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^2 &\sim \frac{27\delta\lambda_3^2 m_h^4}{16\pi} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \frac{\Lambda_*^{2n-4}}{2(n-1)!(n-2)!(4\pi)^{2n-3}} \frac{(n!)^2}{v^{2n}} \\ &= \frac{27\delta\lambda_3^2 m_h^4}{128\pi^2 v^4} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{n\Lambda_*^{2n-4}}{(n-2)!(4\pi v)^{2n-4}} = \frac{27\delta\lambda_3^2 m_h^4}{128\pi^2 v^4} \left(2 + \frac{\Lambda_*^2}{(4\pi v)^2} \right) \exp\left(\frac{\Lambda_*^2}{(4\pi v)^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\Lambda_*}{4\pi v} \sim 2 \log^{1/2} \left(\frac{4\pi v}{m_h |\delta\lambda_3|^{1/2}} \right)$$

For any observable cubic Higgs deformations, new physics must enter at scale $\leq \text{few}^* 4\pi v$ to regulate multi-Higgs amplitudes!

Collider no-lose

- $Spp\bar{S}$ Find W and Z
- LEP Weakly vs strongly coupled EW breaking
- Tevatron Find top
- LHC Find Higgs
- HE LHC Linear vs non-linear EW symmetry