

Thoughts on incorporating decay information into STXS

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Binned or Continuous

First major question: extract decay information

(a) with measurements in bins of decay observables

(b) with some continuous parameters

a) Most model independent. Difficult to bin in many decay observables simultaneously (e.g. as in $H \rightarrow 4l$). Decay effects are often subtle, so a suitable binning is not easy

b) The mass of the decay system is fixed to 125 GeV for on-shell Higgs decays. Hence the validity of some general physics model expansion should not be an issue for Higgs decays. Continuous parameters also more suited for subtle effects and extracting several parameters simultaneously.

→ My proposal: use continuous parameters from some general physics model to extract decay information. Use bins only in special cases where it's sufficient and simpler

Additive or Multiplicative

Second major question: extract decay information

(a) in each STXS bin independently, or

(b) for all bins together?

a) Maximum information. Most model independent. But large experimental challenge with $n(\text{STXS}) \times n(\text{decay})$ observables to measure simultaneously

b) Higgs is a scalar and a very narrow resonance
=> no cross talk between production and decay
Only Higgs boost influences decay observables, but this can be easily modeled by MC inside each STXS bin

→ My proposal: measure decay information for all STXS bins together, so experiments have $n(\text{STXS}) + n(\text{decay})$ observables to extract

Linear or Quadratic

Reminder: the observable rate for a Higgs signal is

$$\sigma_i * \Gamma_j / \Gamma_H$$

Third major question: extract decay information

(a) with the rate depending linearly on the parameters,

e.g. Γ_j (CP-odd)

(b) with the rate depending quadratically on the

parameters, e.g. $\Gamma_j = \text{poly}_2(\kappa_m)$ as in the κ -framework

Use pseudo-observables as example in the following, but something else could be used if it provides similar degrees of freedom.

Linear or Quadratic: Example POs

Linear

Quadratic

PO	Physical PO	Relation to the eff. coupl.
$\kappa_f, \delta_f^{\text{CP}}$	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow f\bar{f})$	$= \Gamma(h \rightarrow f\bar{f})^{\text{(SM)}} [(\kappa_f)^2 + (\delta_f^{\text{CP}})^2]$
$\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}, \delta_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{CP}}$	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$	$= \Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)^{\text{(SM)}} [(\kappa_{\gamma\gamma})^2 + (\delta_{\gamma\gamma}^{\text{CP}})^2]$
$\kappa_{Z\gamma}, \delta_{Z\gamma}^{\text{CP}}$	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Z\gamma)$	$= \Gamma(h \rightarrow Z\gamma)^{\text{(SM)}} [(\kappa_{Z\gamma})^2 + (\delta_{Z\gamma}^{\text{CP}})^2]$
κ_{ZZ}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Z_L Z_L)$	$= (0.209 \text{ MeV}) \times \kappa_{ZZ} ^2$
ϵ_{ZZ}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Z_T Z_T)$	$= (1.9 \times 10^{-2} \text{ MeV}) \times \epsilon_{ZZ} ^2$
$\epsilon_{ZZ}^{\text{CP}}$	$\Gamma^{\text{CPV}}(h \rightarrow Z_T Z_T)$	$= (8.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ MeV}) \times \epsilon_{ZZ}^{\text{CP}} ^2$
ϵ_{Zf}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Z f\bar{f})$	$= (3.7 \times 10^{-2} \text{ MeV}) \times N_c^f \epsilon_{Zf} ^2$
κ_{WW}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow W_L W_L)$	$= (0.84 \text{ MeV}) \times \kappa_{WW} ^2$
ϵ_{WW}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow W_T W_T)$	$= (0.16 \text{ MeV}) \times \epsilon_{WW} ^2$
$\epsilon_{WW}^{\text{CP}}$	$\Gamma^{\text{CPV}}(h \rightarrow W_T W_T)$	$= (6.8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ MeV}) \times \epsilon_{WW}^{\text{CP}} ^2$
ϵ_{Wf}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow W f\bar{f}')$	$= (0.14 \text{ MeV}) \times N_c^f \epsilon_{Wf} ^2$
κ_g	$\sigma(pp \rightarrow h)_{gg\text{-fusion}}$	$= \sigma(pp \rightarrow h)_{gg\text{-fusion}}^{\text{SM}} \kappa_g^2$
κ_t	$\sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}h)_{\text{Yukawa}}$	$= \sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}h)_{\text{Yukawa}}^{\text{SM}} \kappa_t^2$
κ_H	$\Gamma_{\text{tot}}(h)$	$= \Gamma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{SM}}(h) \kappa_H^2$

Linear parameters

What could measured parameters look like?

$$\sigma(\text{ggH}0\text{j})^* \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L) / \Gamma_{\text{H}}$$

$$\sigma(\text{ggH}1\text{j})^* \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L) / \Gamma_{\text{H}}$$

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$$\Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_T \text{Z}_T) / \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L)$$

$$\Gamma^{\text{CPV}}(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_T \text{Z}_T) / \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L)$$

$$\Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Zff}) / \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L)$$

$$\Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) / \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L)$$

So far looks like a nice and simple extension of the known LHC rate measurements

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ϵ_{Zf}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow \text{Z} f\bar{f})$

Linear parameters: interference

What happens with interference? Define:

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T) / \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) = c_{TT} * \text{sign}(\epsilon_{ZZ}) * |\epsilon_{ZZ}|^2 / |k_{ZZ}|^2$$

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow Zff) / \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) = c_{Zff} * \text{sign}(\epsilon_{Zf}) * |\epsilon_{Zf}|^2 / |k_{ZZ}|^2$$

Rate for pure ggH 0j, $H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T$:

$$\sigma(\text{ggH}0j) * \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T) / \Gamma_H =$$

$$\sigma(\text{ggH}0j) * \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) / \Gamma_H * \left| \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T) / \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) \right|$$

Interference between $H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T$ and $H \rightarrow Zff$ is proportional to:

$$\text{sign} \left[\Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T) / \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) * \Gamma(H \rightarrow Zff) / \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) \right] * \sqrt{\left| \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T) / \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) \right| * \left| \Gamma(H \rightarrow Zff) / \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) \right|}$$

The sign(), abs() and sqrt() terms makes this a bit cumbersome to read and might cause problems for fits. To be checked

Alternative: sign[X] * sqrt[X] could be written as X / sqrt[X] if preferred

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$\kappa_{Z\gamma}, \delta_{Z\gamma}^{\text{CP}}$	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Z\gamma)$
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ϵ_{Zf}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Zf\bar{f})$

Quadratic parameters

What could measured parameters look like?

$$\sigma(\text{ggH0j}) \cdot \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L) / \Gamma_{\text{H}} = \sigma(\text{ggH0j}) \cdot c_L \cdot |\kappa_{\text{ZZ}}|^2 / \Gamma_{\text{H}}$$

$$\sigma(\text{ggH1j}) \cdot \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L) / \Gamma_{\text{H}} = \sigma(\text{ggH1j}) \cdot c_L \cdot |\kappa_{\text{ZZ}}|^2 / \Gamma_{\text{H}}$$

...

$$\epsilon_{\text{ZZ}} / \kappa_{\text{ZZ}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{ZZ}}^{\text{CP}} / \kappa_{\text{ZZ}}$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{Zf}} / \kappa_{\text{ZZ}}$$

$$\kappa_{\text{yy}} / \kappa_{\text{ZZ}}$$

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Effectively some mix between cross section measurements for production and an extended kappa framework for decays.

Quadratic parameters: mix

Rate for pure $ggH0j$, $H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T$:

$$\sigma(ggH0j) * \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T) / \Gamma_H =$$

$$\sigma(ggH0j) * \Gamma(H \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) / \Gamma_H * c_T / c_L * (\epsilon_{ZZ} / \kappa_{ZZ})^2$$

Interference between $H \rightarrow Z_T Z_T$ and $H \rightarrow Zff$ is proportional to:

$$(\epsilon_{ZZ} / \kappa_{ZZ}) * (\epsilon_{Zff} / \kappa_{ZZ})$$

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κ_f, δ_f^{CP}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow f\bar{f})$
$\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}, \delta_{\gamma\gamma}^{CP}$	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$
$\kappa_{Z\gamma}, \delta_{Z\gamma}^{CP}$	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Z\gamma)$
κ_{ZZ}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Z_L Z_L)$
ϵ_{ZZ}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Z_T Z_T)$
ϵ_{ZZ}^{CP}	$\Gamma^{CPV}(h \rightarrow Z_T Z_T)$
ϵ_{Zf}	$\Gamma(h \rightarrow Zf\bar{f})$

Advantage: interference is easy: no sign(), abs() or sqrt() needed

Disadvantage: Uncertainties do not match! κ and ϵ enter quadratic into rate, STXS bins linear. Relatively speaking, uncertainties for κ and ϵ parameters will be half the uncertainty for STXS parameters. The correlation matrix will be even more difficult, as it will correlate between linear and quadratic terms. To be checked if such a correlation matrix can be used.

Personal preference

- Use continuous parameters for decay information
- Extract decay information from all STXS bins together, hence measure $n(\text{STXS})+n(\text{decay})$ parameters.
 - For STXS bins with sufficient sensitivity, experiments would need to implement observables that are actually sensitive to decay information (and as many observables as needed and possible)
 - For STXS bins with little sensitivity, the experiments would simply not implement such decay observables and only correct the signal acceptance due to changes in the decay
- Extract information with linear parameters in the rate, as these have a quite intuitive physics meaning and a close relation to known rate measurements. Complications with interference can hopefully be hidden in the fitting code
- Since POs seem to be more general than EFTs, use the physical POs from YR4 as parameters for the decay side

Re-interpretation of STXS and POs

Imagine the measurement:

$$\sigma(\text{ggH}0\text{j}) \cdot \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L) / \Gamma_{\text{H}} = \text{X1} \pm \text{E1 fb}$$

$$\sigma(\text{VBF } p_{\text{T}} > 200) \cdot \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L) / \Gamma_{\text{H}} = \text{X2} \pm \text{E2 fb}$$

$$\Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_T \text{Z}_T) / \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L) = \text{X3} \pm \text{E3}$$

$$\Gamma^{\text{CPV}}(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_T \text{Z}_T) / \Gamma(\text{H} \rightarrow \text{Z}_L \text{Z}_L) = \text{X4} \pm \text{E4}$$

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For a re-interpretation to new parameters **p**, do a fit

$$\text{X1} \pm \text{E1 fb} = f_1(\mathbf{p})$$

$$\text{X2} \pm \text{E2 fb} = f_2(\mathbf{p})$$

$$\text{X3} \pm \text{E3} = f_3(\mathbf{p})$$

$$\text{X4} \pm \text{E4} = f_4(\mathbf{p})$$

where $f_i(\mathbf{p})$ are the expressions for the observables of the STXS+PO fit as function of **p** and correlations should be taken into account. These re-interpretations can extract POs from production+decay, EFTs, ...