

CP-odd EFT constraints from ggH + VBF + H4L

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Signs of CP-violation in Higgs boson interactions, [arXiv:1808.06577](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.06577) [hep-ph]

Strategy

- ▶ Constrain CP-odd dimension-six SM EFT operators
- ▶ By re-interpreting model-independent Higgs measurements
- ▶ Capture leading effect of operators ($\propto \Lambda^{-2}$) with CP-odd observables

Outline

- ▶ One usable observable measured ($\Delta\phi_{jj}$), by ATLAS, in two channels
- ▶ Observe asymmetry in this CP-odd observable – but unable to distinguish between CP-violating sources with available measurements
- ▶ Demonstrate: split by production mode would reduce ambiguity
- ▶ Addition of additional $H \rightarrow 4l$ observable allows constraining multiple operators, additionally extrapolate to 300 and 3000 fb^{-1}

Analysis Framework

- ▶ Analysing dimension-six operators of SM EFT in Warsaw basis

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} O_i$$

- ▶ Considering four CP-odd operators affecting Higgs interactions

$$\begin{aligned} O_{H\tilde{G}} &= H^\dagger H G^{a\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a & O_{H\tilde{B}} &= H^\dagger H B^{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu} \\ O_{H\tilde{W}} &= H^\dagger H W^{a\mu\nu} \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^a & O_{H\tilde{W}B} &= H^\dagger \tau^a H B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{W}^{a\mu\nu} \end{aligned}$$

and corresponding CP-even operators $O_{HG}, O_{HW}, O_{HB}, O_{HWB}$

- ▶ Technical details
 - ▶ SMEFTsim code used [[arXiv:1709.06492](https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.06492)]
 - ▶ Simulate dim-6 operator contribution with Madgraph5+Pythia8, analysed with Rivet
 - ▶ Measurement, uncertainty, and SM prediction are taken from experimental publications
 - ▶ Effect (of CP-even operators) on branching ratios considered, too

Linearisation

Considering only leading ($\propto \Lambda^{-2}$) effect in EFT expansion: interference (of $c_i/\Lambda^2 \mathcal{O}_i$ contribution) with SM

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2 + 2\text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{d6}}) + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$$

Terms quadratic in CP-odd operators:

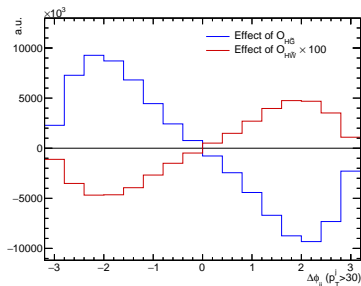
- ▶ Generate no genuine CP-odd effects
- ▶ Introduce more model-dependence (would need to consider all effects at $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$, including dim-8 operator interference)
- ▶ Will only improve our constraints when included

CP-odd operators in linearised approach:

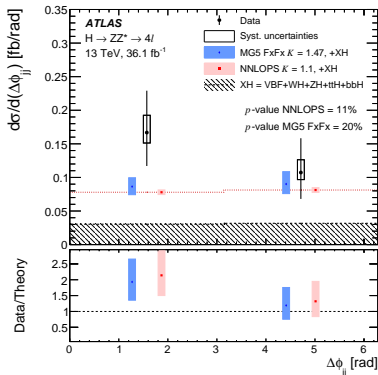
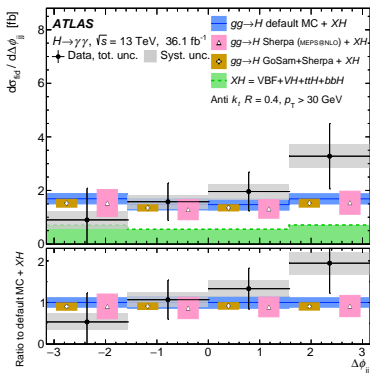
- ▶ Integration over interference term vanishes for CP-odd operators
- ▶ They have no linear contributions to CP-even observables
- ▶ *Require construction of CP-odd observables to capture $\propto \Lambda^{-2}$ effect*

CP-odd observables

- ▶ CP-odd observables:
 - ▶ Can be constructed for large number of processes
 - ▶ Asymmetry can be indication of CP-violation
 - ▶ Affected symmetrically by CP-even operators
⇒ in linearised approach, CP-odd fit largely decoupled from CP-even
 - ▶ Also affected symmetrically by most experimental uncertainties, small uncertainty of asymmetry
- ▶ Only CP-odd observable unfolded in LHC Higgs measurements so far: $\Delta\phi_{jj}$
 - ▶ Measured by ATLAS in $H(ZZ)$ and $H(\gamma\gamma)$ decays
 - ▶ Sign determined by direction of jet with larger rapidity
- ▶ No CP-odd observables measured by CMS or in ATLAS WW, unable to re-interpret ATLAS optimal observable analysis in VBF $H(\tau\tau)$



$\Delta\phi_{jj}$ measurements

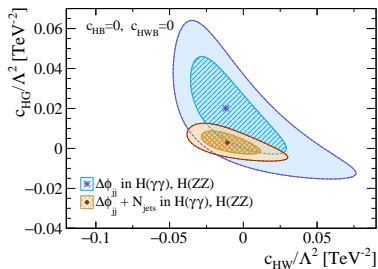
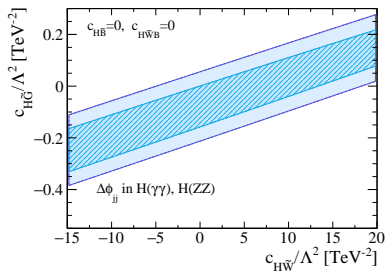


- ▶ $\Delta\phi_{jj}$ measured by ATLAS in $H(\gamma\gamma)$ and $H(ZZ)$ with 36.1 fb $^{-1}$
- ▶ Both measurement exhibit similar asymmetry, combined:

$$A = \frac{\sigma(0 < \Delta\phi_{jj} < \pi) - \sigma(-\pi < \Delta\phi_{jj} < 0)}{\sigma(0 < \Delta\phi_{jj} < \pi) + \sigma(-\pi < \Delta\phi_{jj} < 0)} = 0.3 \pm 0.2,$$

could be sign of CP-violation in Higgs sector, if persistent

Fit results for $\Delta\phi_{jj}$



Constraints on CP-odd operators from $\Delta\phi_{jj}$ measurements

- ▶ Can constrain one of $O_{H\tilde{G}}$, $O_{H\tilde{W}}$, $O_{H\tilde{B}}$, $O_{H\tilde{W}B}$
- ▶ Blind directions: cannot distinguish between, e.g., $O_{H\tilde{G}}$ and $O_{H\tilde{W}}$

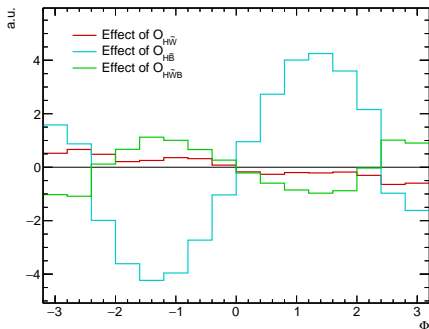
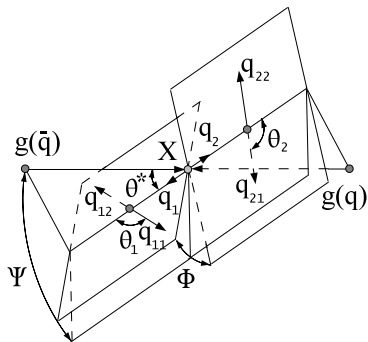
Constraints on CP-even operators

- ▶ Tightly constrained by integrated cross section and branching ratios
- ▶ Further improved by including 0 and 1 jet rate (“ N_{jets} ”)
- ▶ With limited experimental inputs: blind directions exist for CP-even
 - but do not affect CP-odd operator constraints

VBF split & additional observable Φ_{ZZ}

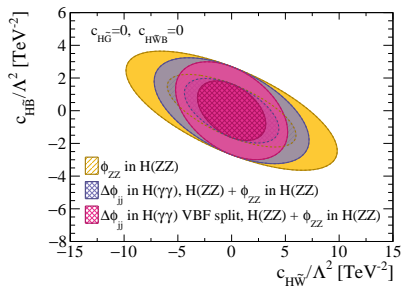
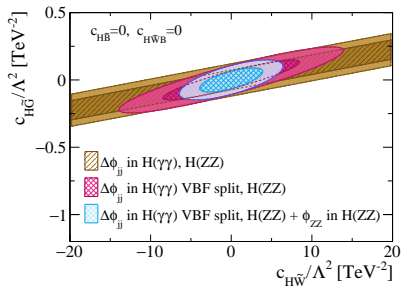
Possible improvements to existing measurements

- ▶ Measure $\Delta\phi_{jj}$ in VBF enhanced/suppressed phase space
→ allows distinguishing gluon and vector boson operators
- ▶ Analyse angle Φ between Z-decay planes – a CP-odd observable
 - ▶ Already utilised in ATLAS and CMS Higgs characterisation studies
 - ▶ Can further help separating effect of \tilde{O}_{HW} , \tilde{O}_{HB} , \tilde{O}_{HWB}



Results with pseudo data

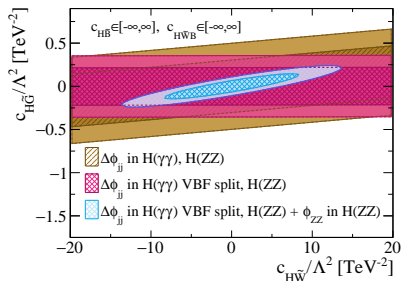
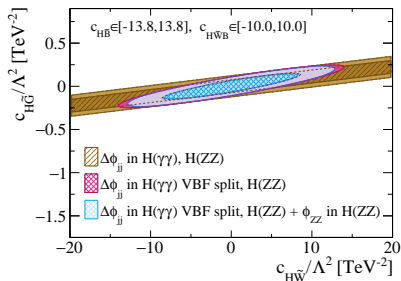
- Now: pseudodata corresponding to SM and 36 fb^{-1}



- As before: blind direction in existing $\Delta\phi_{jj}$ measurement
- Can be resolved by introduction of VBF split
- Adding ϕ_{ZZ} improves constraints (significantly so for c_{HB}, c_{HWB})

Results with pseudo data – marginalisation

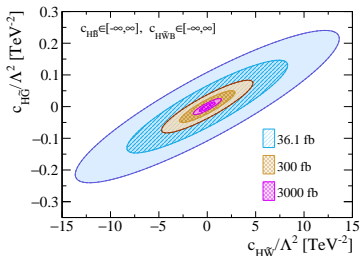
- Now marginalising over $c_{H\tilde{B}}, c_{H\tilde{W}B}$ → all operators potentially affected by new physics



- Left: When restricting range of marginalisation to reasonably small values (respecting a perturbative constraint of $\sum_i |\sigma_{BSM \times SM}^i| / \sigma_{SM} < 0.5$) CP-odd constraints only slightly weakened
- Right: Without restriction, VBF-split not enough to resolve blind direction → but combination with ϕ_{ZZ} still allows constraining all four CP-odd operators

Extrapolation of pseudodata results

- ▶ Extrapolation of Φ_{ZZ} and VBF-split ϕ_{jj} measurement, assuming relevant uncertainties are statistically dominated



Coefficient [TeV ⁻²]	36.1 fb ⁻¹	300 fb ⁻¹	3000 fb ⁻¹
$c_{H\tilde{G}}/\Lambda^2$	[-0.19, 0.19]	[-0.067, 0.067]	[-0.021, 0.021]
$c_{H\tilde{W}}/\Lambda^2$	[-11, 11]	[-3.8, 3.8]	[-1.2, 1.2]
$c_{H\tilde{B}}/\Lambda^2$	[-5.9, 5.9]	[-2.1, 2.1]	[-0.65, 0.65]
$c_{H\tilde{W}B}/\Lambda^2$	[-14, 14]	[-4.9, 4.9]	[-1.5, 1.5]

- ▶ Constrains of $\mathcal{O}(1/\text{TeV}^2)$, even $0.02/\text{TeV}^2$ for $c_{H\tilde{G}}$ with 3000 fb⁻¹ (all while profiling remaining coefficients)
- ▶ Note: with higher sensitivity, quadratic terms also less relevant
- ▶ Addition of more measurements – ATLAS+CMS, WW/ $\tau\tau$ channels, more observables (e.g. in WW decay) – would clearly further improve constraints

Conclusion

- ▶ Re-interpretation of Higgs measurements in linearised fit of multiple CP-odd SMEFT operators
 - ▶ Well-motivated, interesting, and useful approach
 - ▶ Modest excess in CP-odd observable found, cannot be characterised further using current measurements
 - ▶ Demonstrated: much more information on CP-odd operators could be gathered with a few simple additional measurements
- ▶ Measurement of CP-odd observables important task
 - ▶ Easy to measure but often blind spot of experimental analyses
 - ▶ One simple CP-odd observable per channel would already allow constraining multiple CP-odd operators in combined fit
 - ▶ Where possible, split by production mode useful
 - ▶ Constraints from experimental collaborations (with specific models and assumptions) of course also valuable
 - additional publication of model-independent measurement important for re-interpretation with new assumptions
 - ▶ Asymmetries in signed quantities could be sign of CP violation ☺