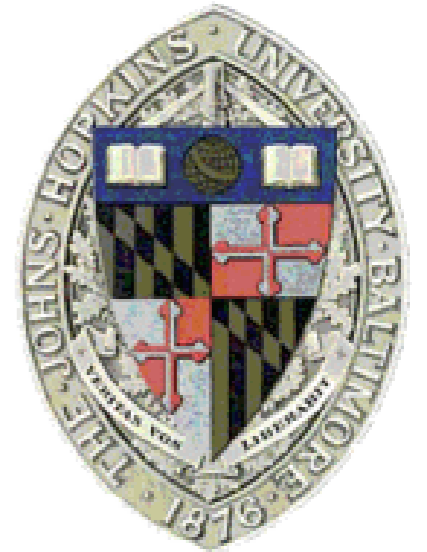


# Off-shell $H^*(125)$ measurements: perspective from CMS and EFT strategy



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# Off-shell $H^*(125)$ measurements from CMS

- Some history of off-shell width of  $H(125)$

–  $H \rightarrow 4\ell, 2\ell 2\nu$  ([arXiv:1405.3455](https://arxiv.org/abs/1405.3455))

$$\Gamma_H < 22 \text{ MeV}$$

–  $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  ([arXiv:1507.06656](https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.06656))

$$\tau_H, \Gamma_H \text{ and } f_{\Lambda Q}$$

–  $H \rightarrow WW+ZZ$  ([arXiv:1605.02329](https://arxiv.org/abs/1605.02329))

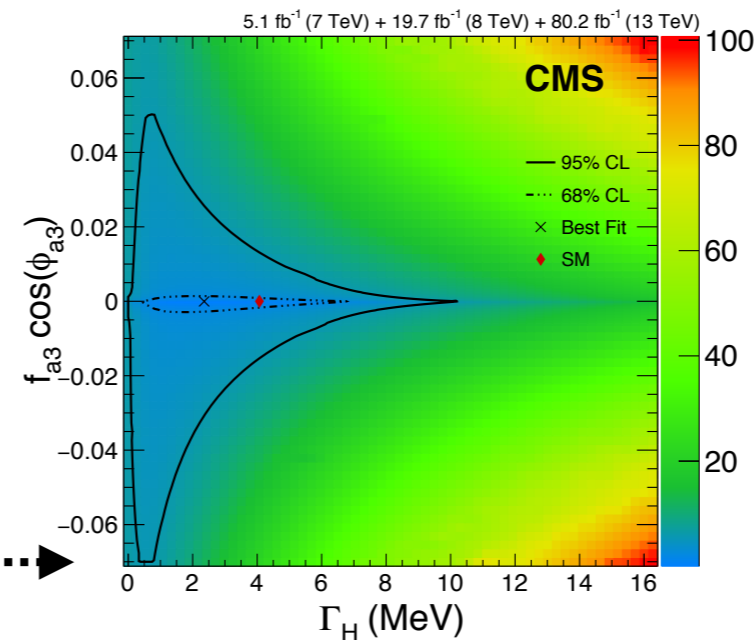
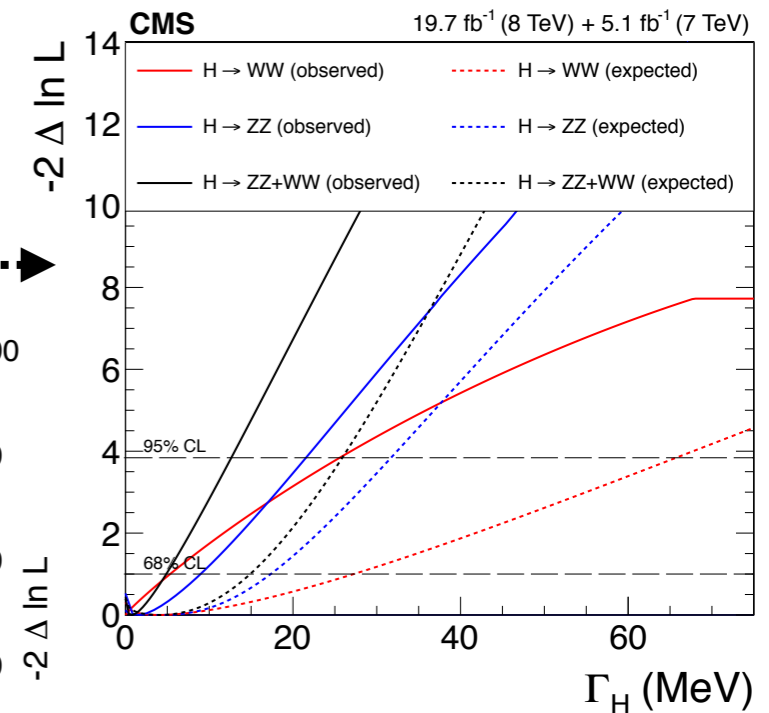
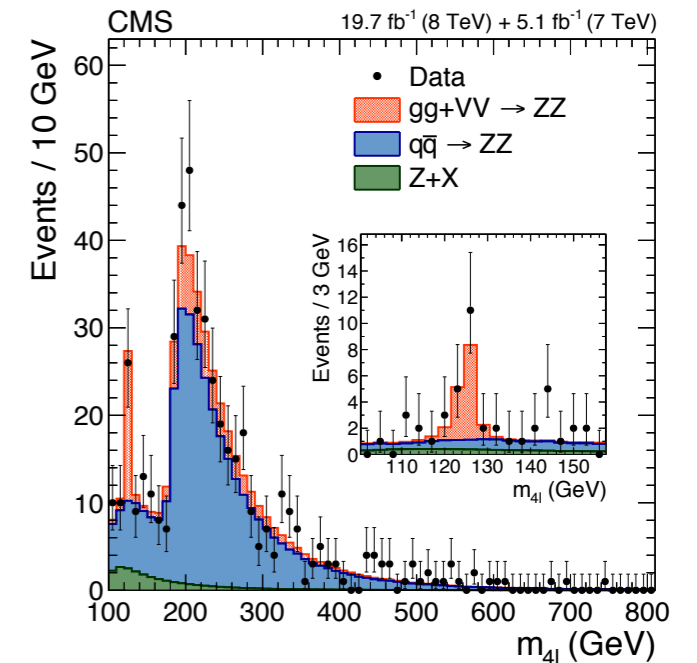
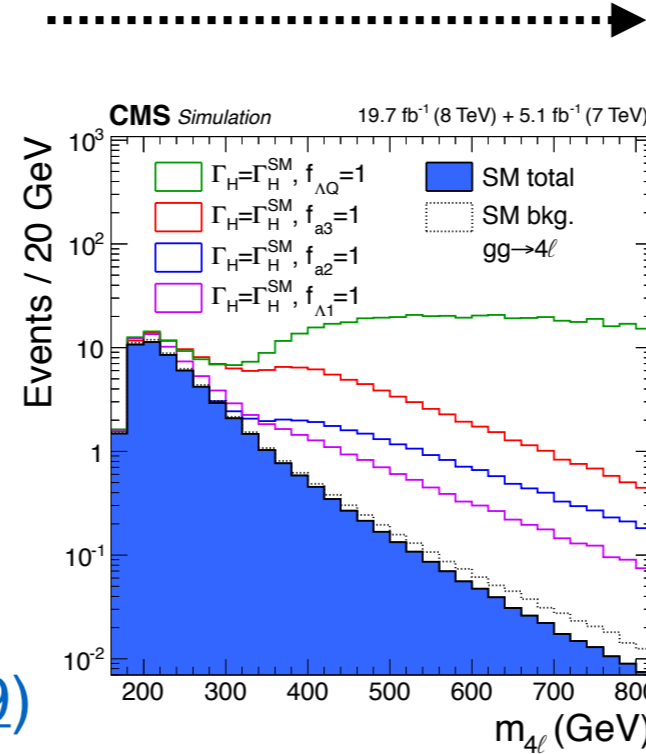
$$\Gamma_H < 13 \text{ MeV}$$

focus today

–  $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  ([arXiv:1901.00174](https://arxiv.org/abs/1901.00174))

$$\Gamma_H = 3.2^{+2.8}_{-2.2} \text{ MeV} < 9.16 \text{ MeV} > 0.08 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_H \text{ and } f_{a3}, f_{a2}, f_{\Lambda 1}$$



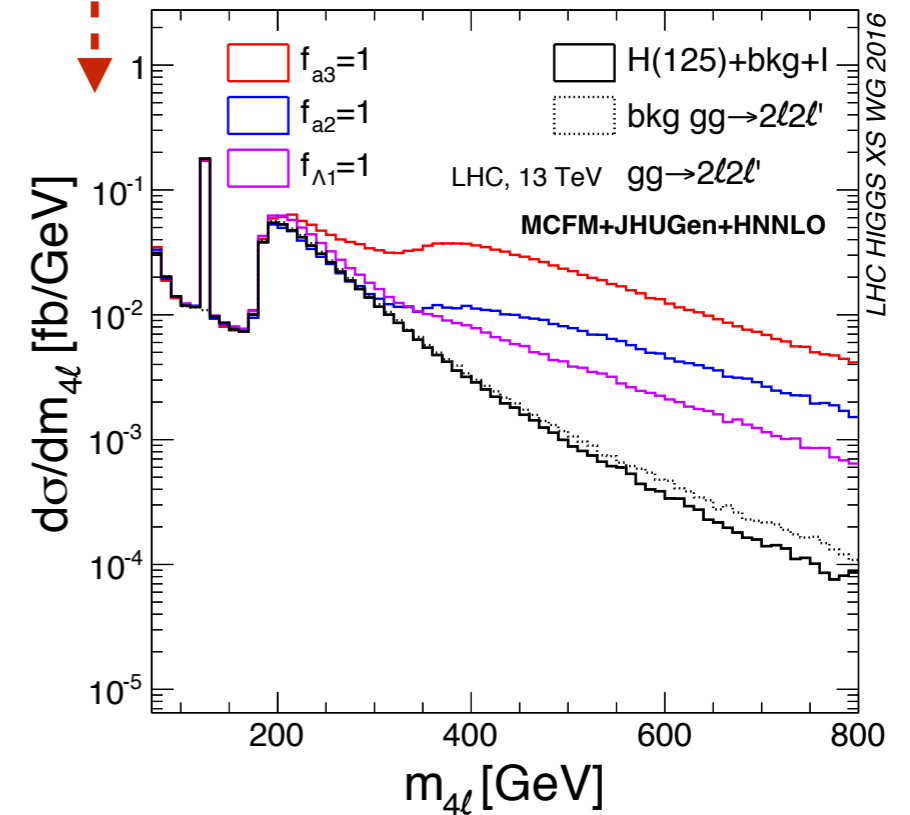
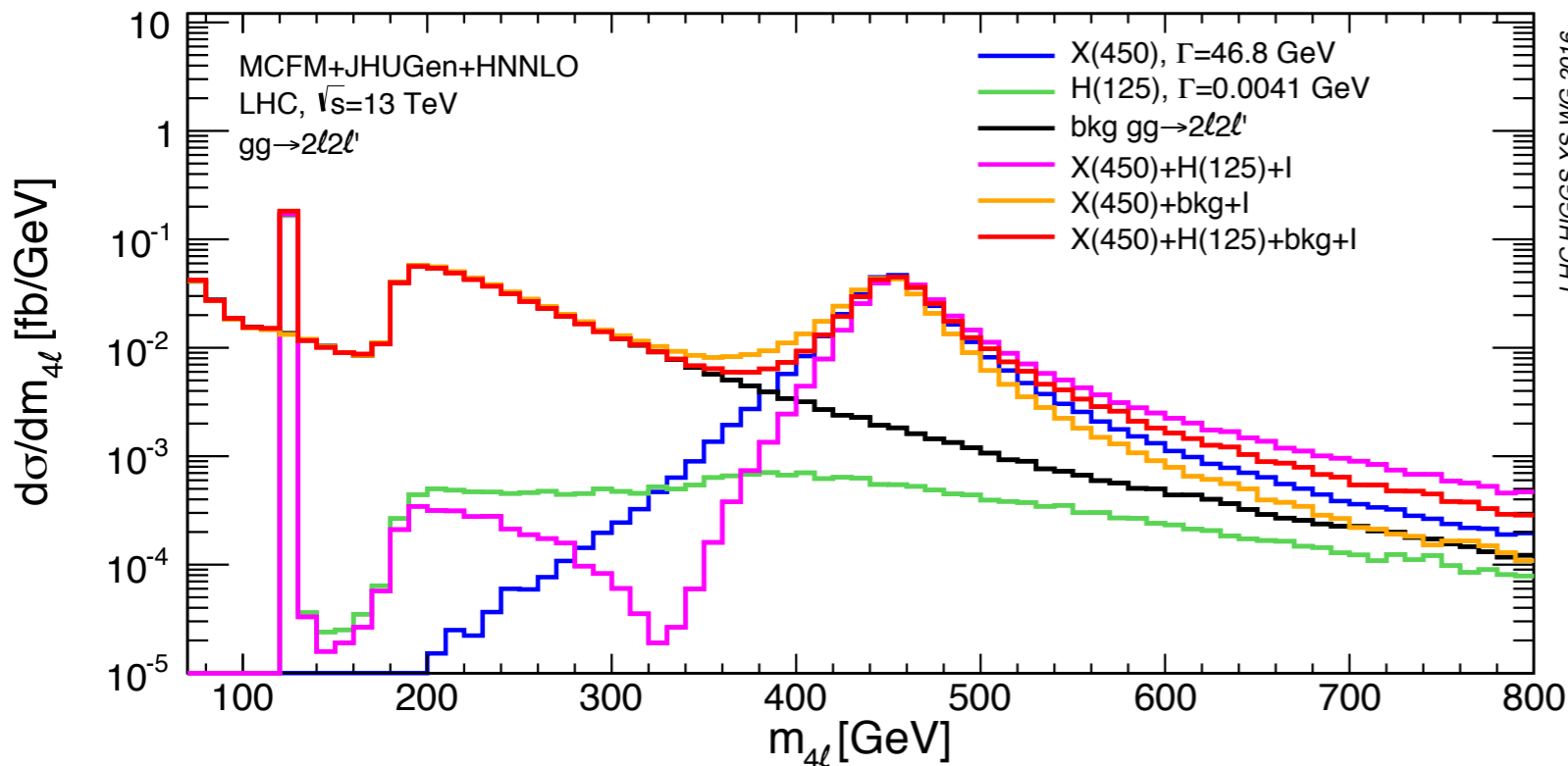
# Off-shell gluon fusion and EW production

- Coherent framework to treat four effects in “off-shell”

- Tools **MCFM+JHUGen** and **MELA**  
 $H^* + X + \text{continuum} + \text{interference}$   
 include re-weighting and discriminants  
 cover both  $ggH$  and EW (VBF, VH)  
 integrated with **POWHEG**, **MiNLO**...

- (1) width  $\Gamma_H$  modification
- (2) new resonance(s)  $X$
- (3) anomalous H couplings  
 $HVV$  and  $Hgg$
- (4) anomalous VBS

<http://spin.pha.jhu.edu>



# Some questions to discuss in this forum

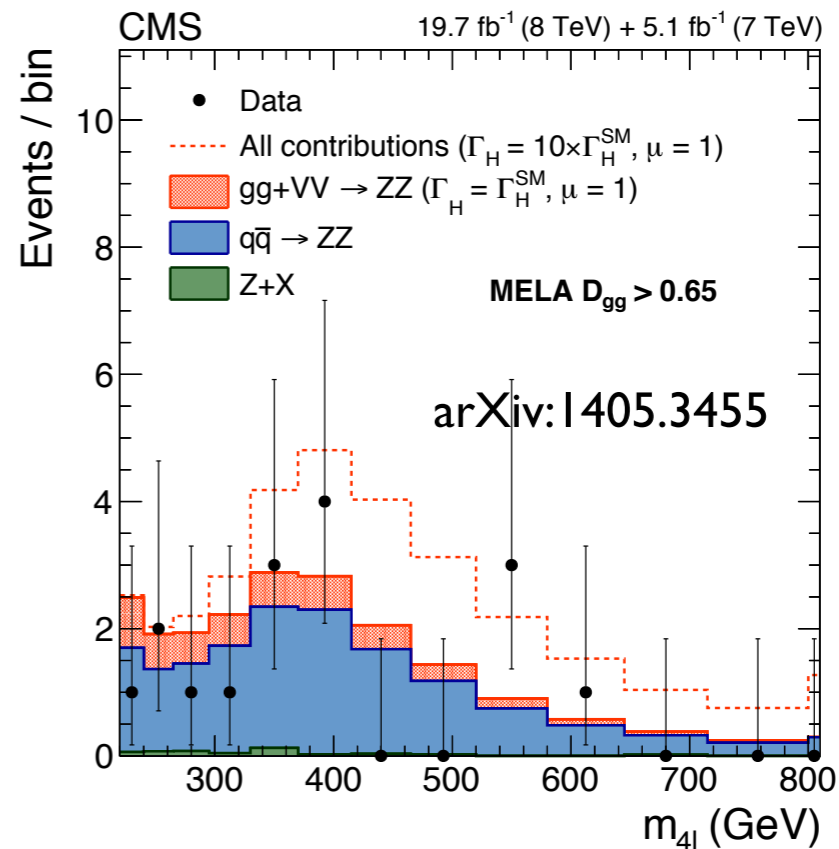
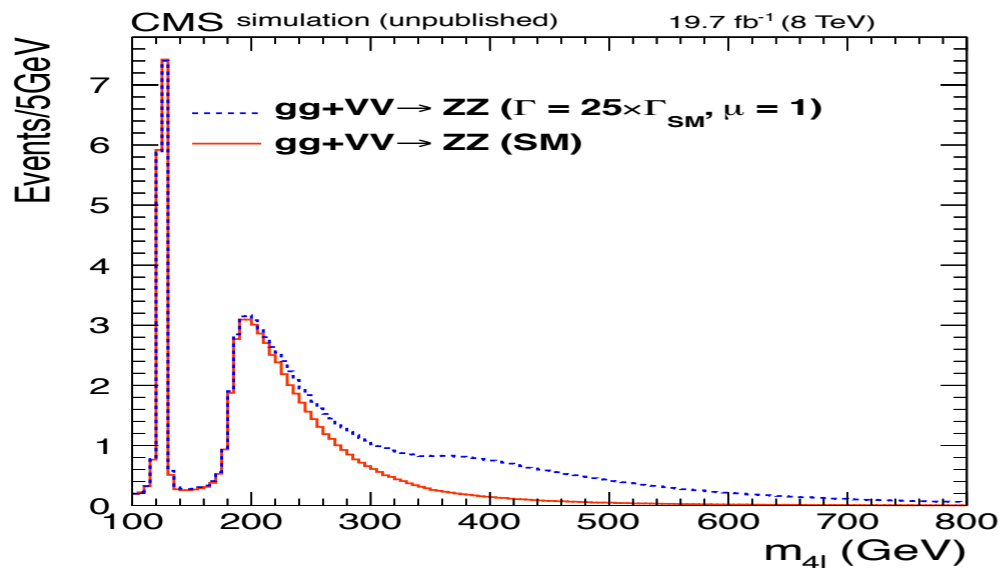
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- How to explore ([hep-ex](#) → [hep-ph](#)) off-shell region?
  - present as  $\Gamma_H$
  - present as off-shell **signal strength**  $\mu$ , or  $\sigma$
  - present as some **STXS-like signal strengths**
  - present as modification of (**EFT**) **H couplings**
  - present as modification of (**EFT**) **EW parameters**
  - present as search for new **resonance(s)**
  - present as search for some **other (exotic) model**
  - present as **differential distribution**
  - present as in other ways ...
- May become very complex, but we also should be practical:
  - in [hep-ex](#), we like to have a path to explore the data
  - at present, we are not limited in having paths
  - each option has pros and cons...

# (1) width $\Gamma_H$ modification

$$\frac{d\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ}}{dm_{ZZ}^2} \sim \frac{g_{ggH}^2 g_{HZZ}^2}{(m_{ZZ}^2 - m_H^2)^2 + m_H^2 \Gamma_H^2}$$

hep-ph: arXiv:1206.4803, arXiv:1307.4935



PDG-2016

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>3.5 $\times 10^{-12}$	95	<sup>4</sup> KHACHATRY...15BA	CMS	$pp$ , 7, 8 TeV, flight distance
<5.0	95	<sup>5</sup> AAD	14W ATLS	$pp$ , 7, 8 TeV, $\gamma\gamma$
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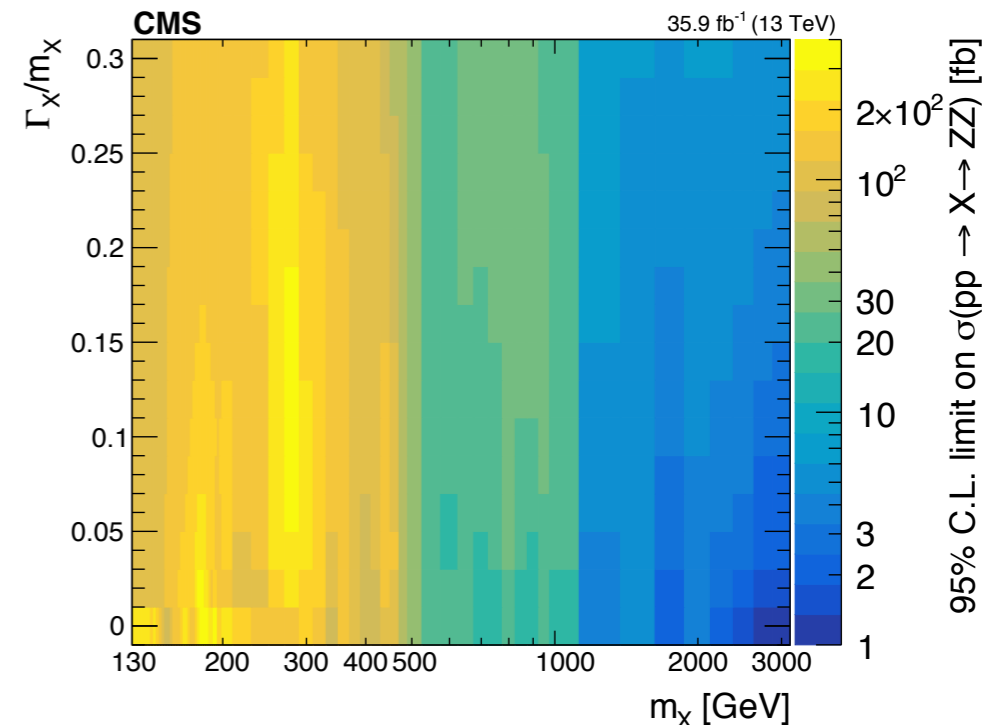
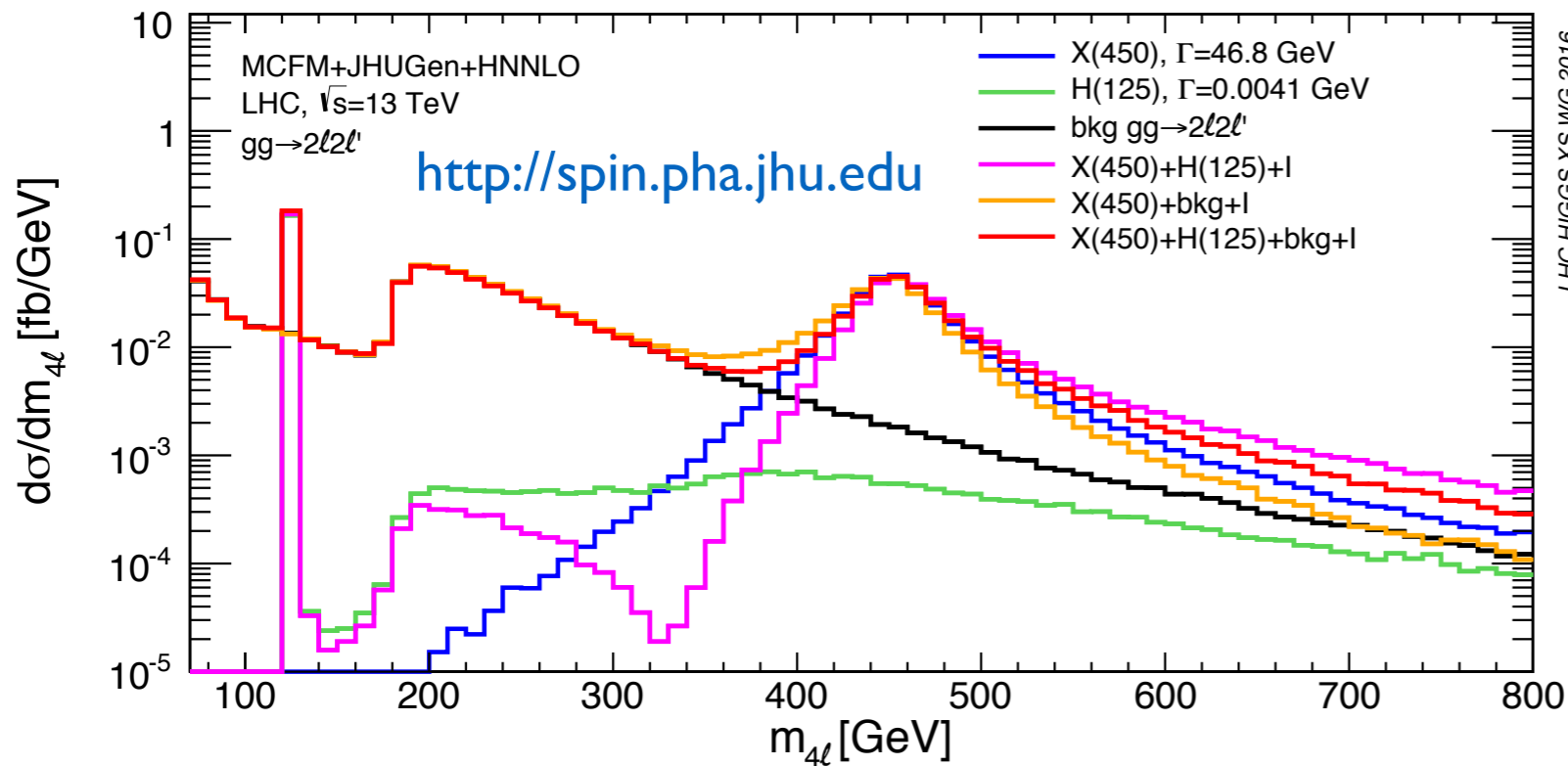
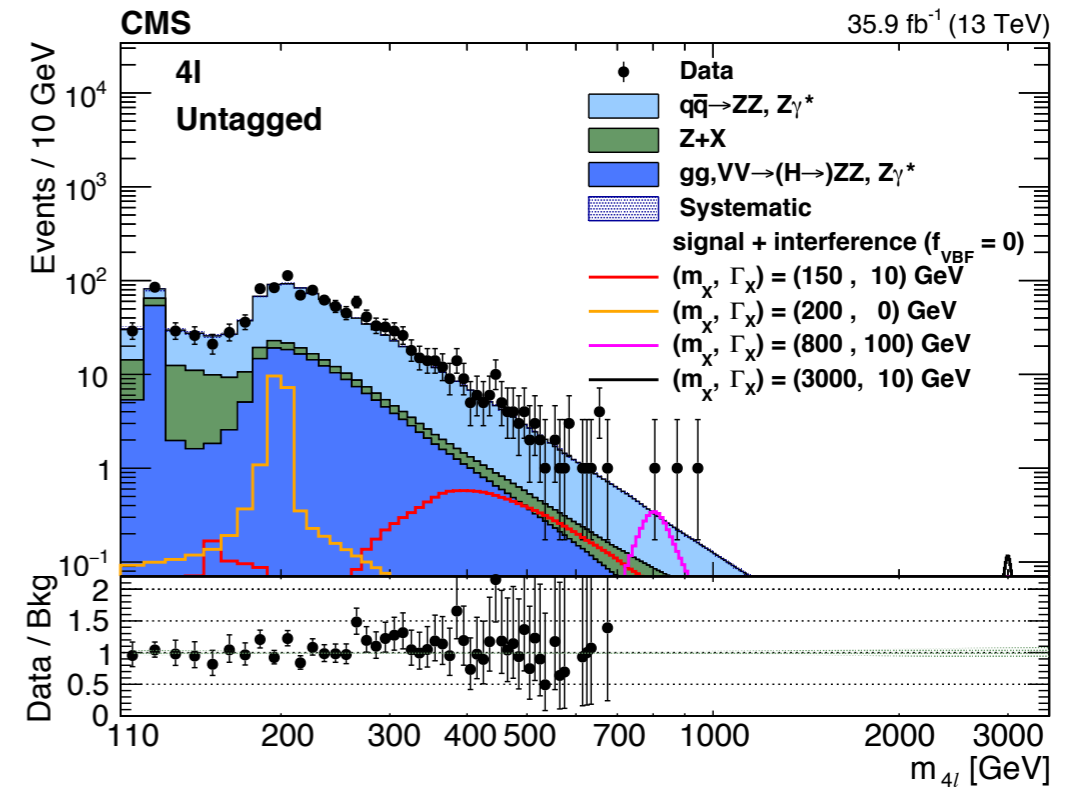
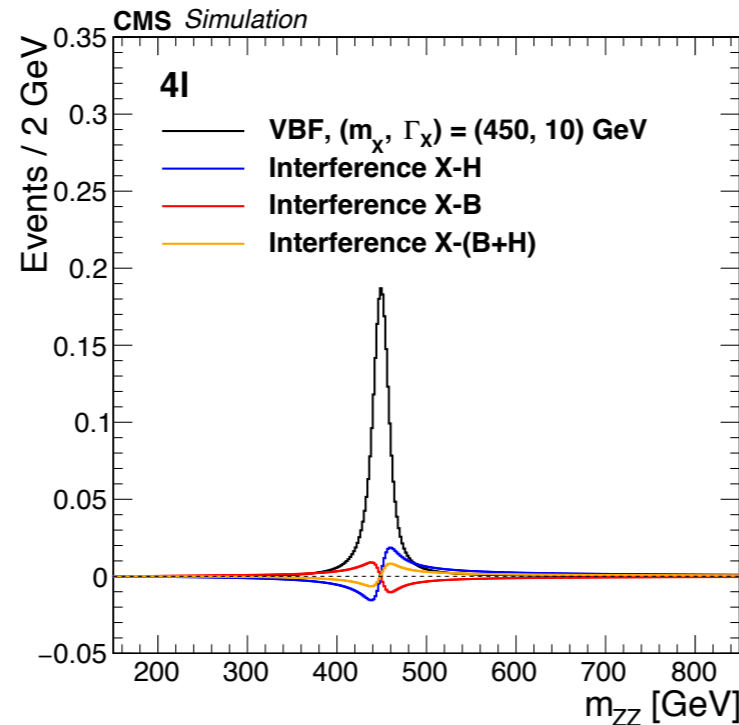
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# (2) new resonance(s) X

—  $H \rightarrow 4\ell, 2\ell 2q, 2\ell 2\nu$  ([arXiv:1804.01939](https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.01939))

- any mass
- any width
- any production (ggH or EW)
- full interference
- SM-like coupling (but can vary)



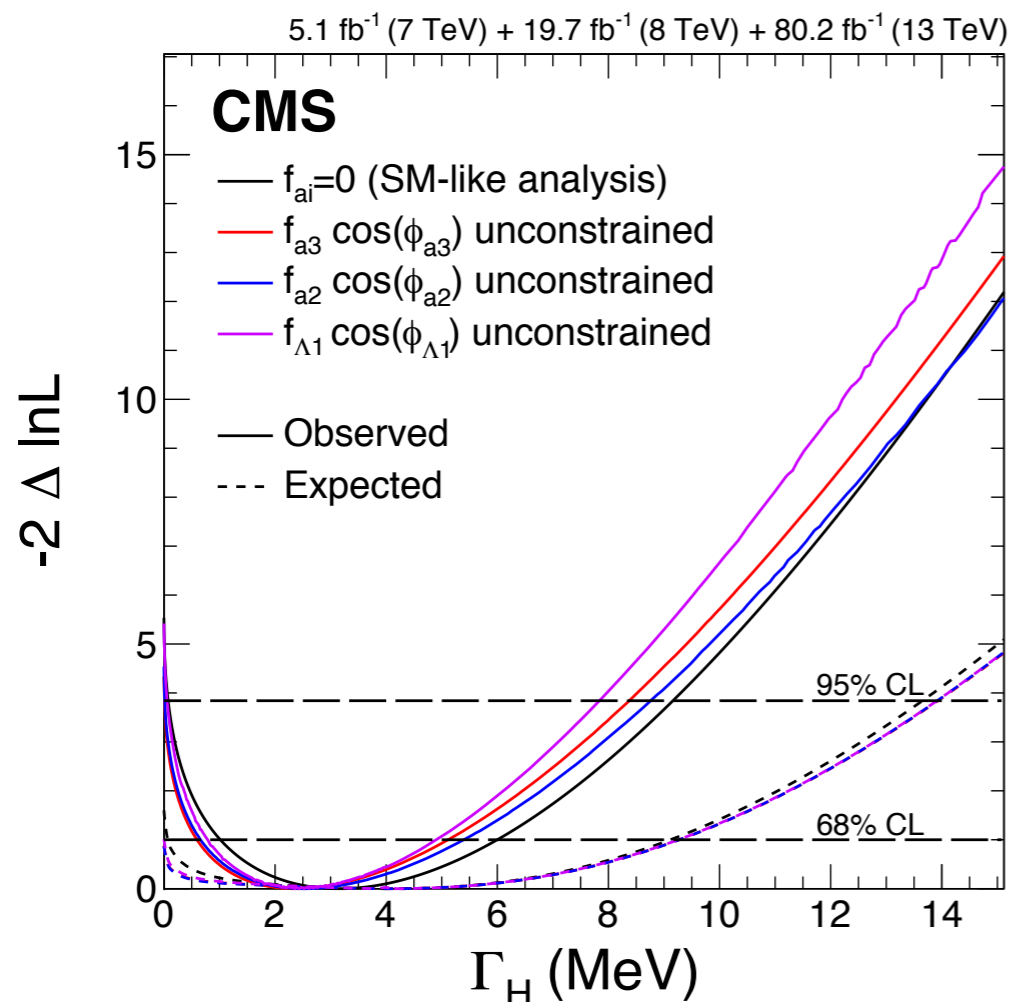


# (3) anomalous HVV couplings (EFT)

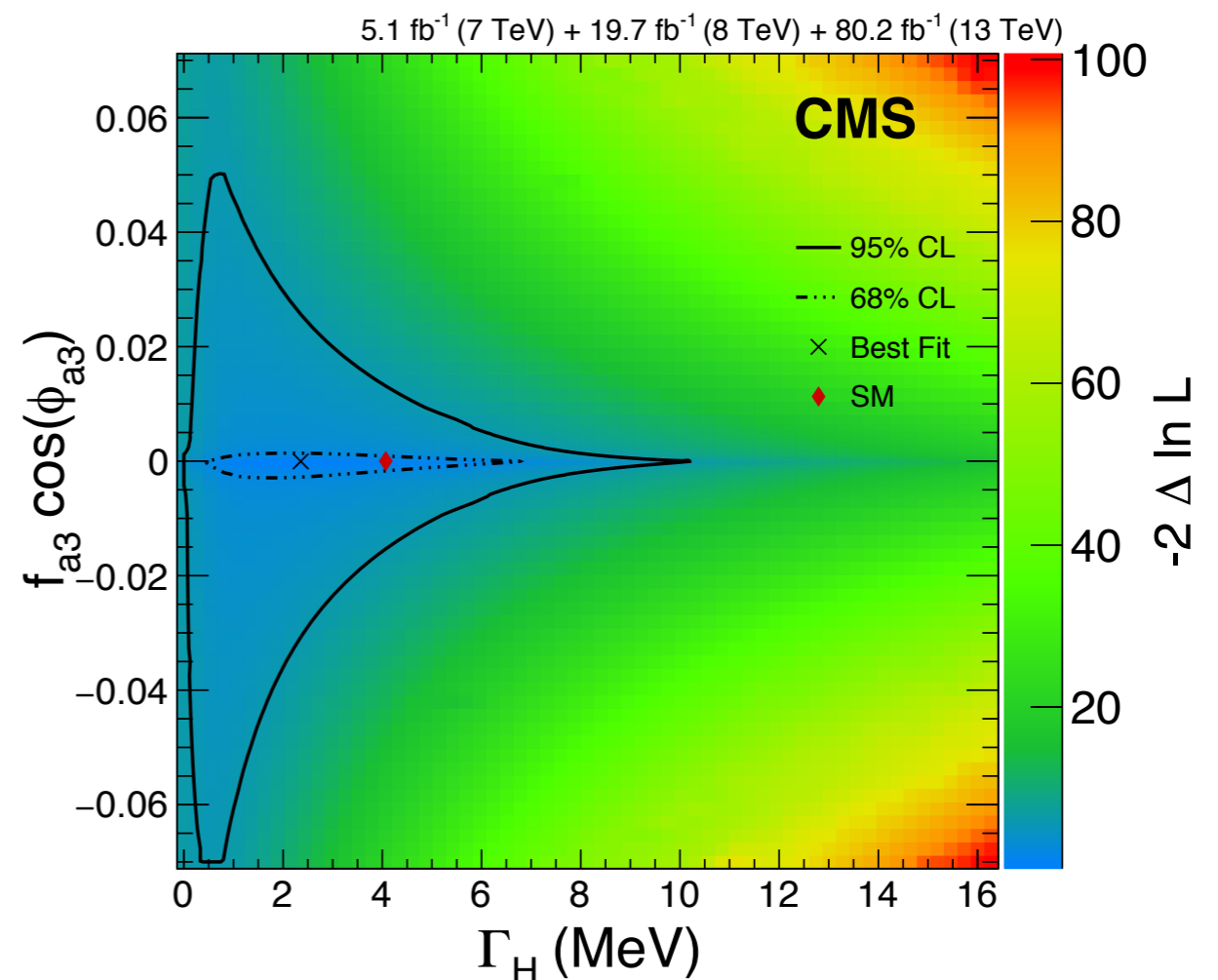
- tested anomalous HVV couplings (production and decay)

$$\frac{d\sigma_{gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ}}{dm_{ZZ}^2} \sim \frac{g_{ggH}^2 g_{HZZ}^2}{(m_{ZZ}^2 - m_H^2)^2 + m_H^2 \Gamma_H^2}$$

(1) not much effect on  $\Gamma_H$



(2) constrain couplings given  $\Gamma_H$  or profile  $\Gamma_H$



# Consider HVV and Hgg couplings for $J_H=0$

- HVV:  $H \rightarrow VV$ , VBF, VH, ggH — affect kinematics

$$A = \frac{1}{v} \left( \left[ a_1 - e^{i\phi_{\Lambda Q}} \frac{(q_1 + q_2)^2}{(\Lambda_Q)^2} - e^{i\phi_{\Lambda 1}} \frac{q_1^2 + q_2^2}{(\Lambda_1)^2} \right] m_V^2 \epsilon_1^* \epsilon_2^* + a_2 f_{\mu\nu}^{*(1)} f^{*(2),\mu\nu} + a_3 f_{\mu\nu}^{*(1)} \tilde{f}^{*(2),\mu\nu} \right) \leftarrow \left( \frac{q^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)^N$$

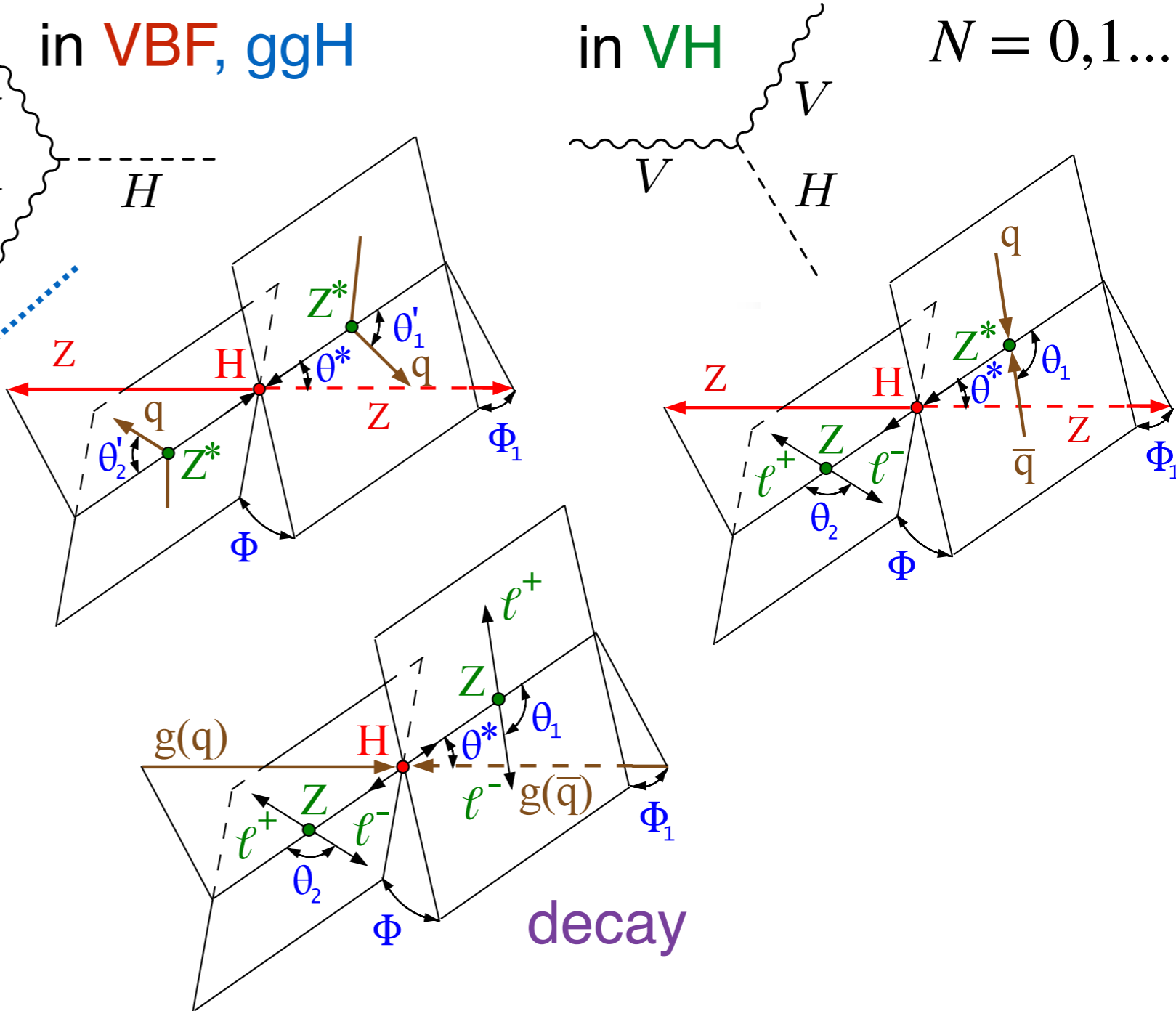
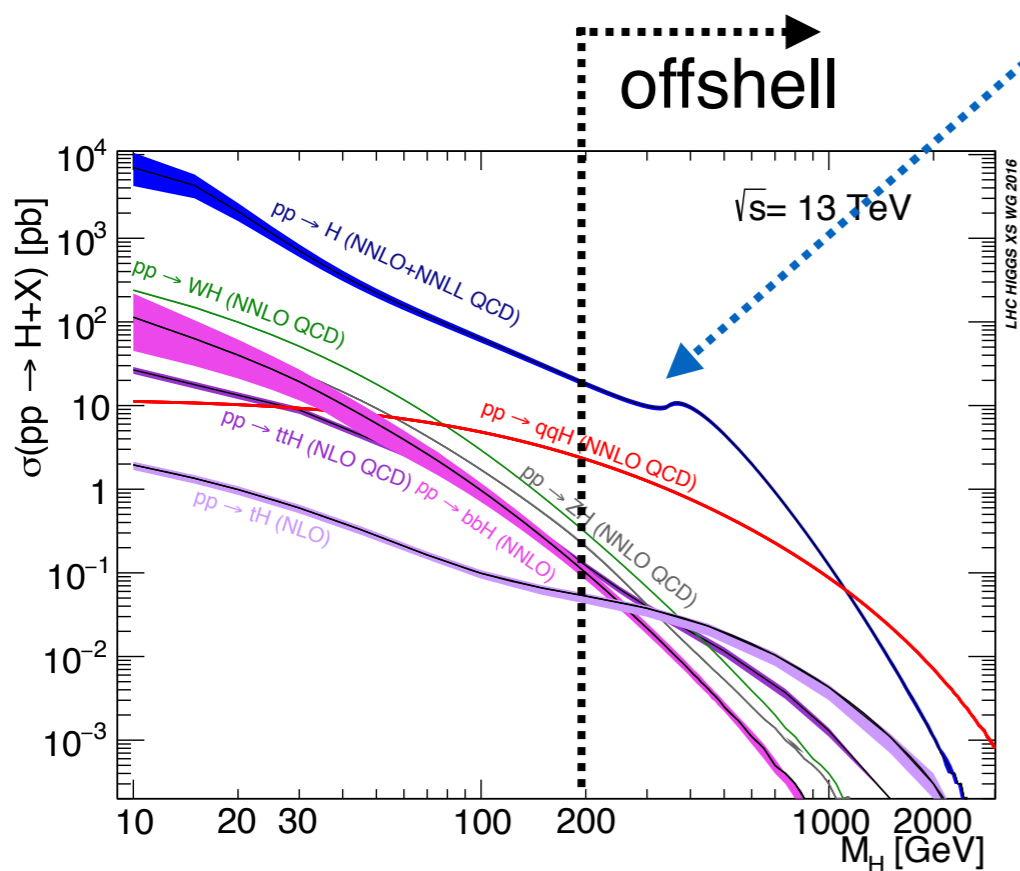
$N = 0, 1, \dots$

in decay

$V=W, Z, \gamma, g$

in VBF, ggH

in VH





# Effective Lagrangian and EFT

- Effective Lagrangian (up to dim.6)  $\in$  Amplitude (last slide)

ZZ

$$L(HVV) \sim a_1 \frac{m_Z^2}{2} H Z^\mu Z_\mu - \frac{\kappa_1}{(\Lambda_1)^2} m_Z^2 H Z^\mu \square Z_\mu - \frac{\kappa_3}{2(\Lambda_Q)^2} m_Z^2 \square H Z^\mu Z_\mu - \frac{1}{2} a_2 H Z^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} a_3 H Z^{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}_{\mu\nu}$$

$$+ a_1^{WW} m_W^2 H W^{+\mu} W_\mu^- - \frac{1}{(\Lambda_1^{WW})^2} m_W^2 H (\kappa_1^{WW} W_\mu^- \square W^{+\mu} + \kappa_2^{WW} W_\mu^+ \square W^{-\mu})$$

WW

$$- \frac{\kappa_3^{WW}}{(\Lambda_Q^{WW})^2} m_W^2 \square H W^{+\mu} W_\mu^- - a_2^{WW} H W^{+\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^- - a_3^{WW} H W^{+\mu\nu} \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^-$$

$$+ \frac{\kappa_2^{Z\gamma}}{(\Lambda_1^{Z\gamma})^2} m_Z^2 H Z_\mu \partial_\nu F^{\mu\nu} - a_2^{Z\gamma} H F^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} - a_3^{Z\gamma} H F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} a_2^{\gamma\gamma} H F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} a_3^{\gamma\gamma} H F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}$$

YY

$$- \frac{1}{2} a_2^{gg} H G_a^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}^a - \frac{1}{2} a_3^{gg} H G_a^{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a,$$

gg

Zγ

- used on CMS since 2012

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{hvv} = & \frac{h}{v} \left[ (1 + \delta c_z) \frac{(g^2 + g'^2)v^2}{4} Z_\mu Z_\mu + c_{zz} \frac{g^2 + g'^2}{4} Z_{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} + c_{z\square} g^2 Z_\mu \partial_\nu Z_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{c}_{zz} \frac{g^2 + g'^2}{4} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}_{\mu\nu} \right. \\ & + (1 + \delta c_w) \frac{g^2 v^2}{2} W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- + c_{ww} \frac{g^2}{2} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W_{\mu\nu}^- + c_{w\square} g^2 (W_\mu^- \partial_\nu W_{\mu\nu}^+ + \text{h.c.}) + \tilde{c}_{ww} \frac{g^2}{2} W_{\mu\nu}^+ \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^- \\ & + c_{z\gamma} \frac{e\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}}{2} Z_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{c}_{z\gamma} \frac{e\sqrt{g^2 + g'^2}}{2} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{A}_{\mu\nu} + c_{\gamma\square} g g' Z_\mu \partial_\nu A_{\mu\nu} \\ & \left. + c_{\gamma\gamma} \frac{e^2}{4} A_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu} + \tilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma} \frac{e^2}{4} A_{\mu\nu} \tilde{A}_{\mu\nu} + c_{gg} \frac{g_s^2}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a + \tilde{c}_{gg} \frac{g_s^2}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^a \right], \end{aligned}$$

- Higgs basis  
Eq.(II.2.20) of YR4  
arXiv:1610.07922

# Effective Lagrangian and EFT

- One can relate coefficients (see JHUGen manual <http://spin.pha.jhu.edu> )

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta c_z &= \frac{1}{2} g_1^{ZZ} - 1, & c_{zz} &= -\frac{2s_w^2 c_w^2}{e^2} g_2^{ZZ}, & c_{z\Box} &= \frac{M_Z^2 s_w^2}{e^2} \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2}, & \tilde{c}_{zz} &= -\frac{2s_w^2 c_w^2}{e^2} g_4^{ZZ}, \\
 \delta c_w &= \frac{1}{2} g_1^{WW} - 1, & c_{ww} &= -\frac{2s_w^2}{e^2} g_2^{WW}, & c_{w\Box} &= \frac{M_W^2 s_w^2}{e^2} \frac{\kappa_1^{WW}}{(\Lambda_1^{WW})^2}, & \tilde{c}_{ww} &= -\frac{2s_w^2}{e^2} g_4^{WW}, \\
 c_{z\gamma} &= -\frac{2s_w c_w}{e^2} g_2^{Z\gamma}, & \tilde{c}_{z\gamma} &= -\frac{2s_w c_w}{e^2} g_4^{Z\gamma}, & c_{\gamma\Box} &= \frac{s_w c_w}{e^2} \frac{M_Z^2}{(\Lambda_1^{Z\gamma})^2} \kappa_2^{Z\gamma}, \\
 c_{\gamma\gamma} &= -\frac{2}{e^2} g_2^{\gamma\gamma}, & \tilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma} &= -\frac{2}{e^2} g_4^{\gamma\gamma}, & c_{gg} &= -\frac{2}{g_s^2} g_2^{gg}, & \tilde{c}_{gg} &= -\frac{2}{g_s^2} g_4^{gg}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- **SU(2)xU(1) symmetry** reduces the number of independent coefficients

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_1^{WW} &= g_1^{ZZ}, \\
 g_2^{WW} &= c_w^2 g_2^{ZZ} + s_w^2 g_2^{\gamma\gamma} + 2s_w c_w g_2^{Z\gamma}, \\
 g_4^{WW} &= c_w^2 g_4^{ZZ} + s_w^2 g_4^{\gamma\gamma} + 2s_w c_w g_4^{Z\gamma}, \\
 \frac{\kappa_1^{WW}}{(\Lambda_1^{WW})^2} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) &= \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2} + 2s_w^2 \frac{g_2^{\gamma\gamma} - g_2^{ZZ}}{M_Z^2} + 2 \frac{s_w}{c_w} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) \frac{g_2^{Z\gamma}}{M_Z^2}, \\
 \frac{\kappa_2^{Z\gamma}}{(\Lambda_1^{Z\gamma})^2} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) &= 2s_w c_w \left( \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2} + \frac{g_2^{\gamma\gamma} - g_2^{ZZ}}{M_Z^2} \right) + 2(c_w^2 - s_w^2) \frac{g_2^{Z\gamma}}{M_Z^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

# Count the number of EFT parameters in the Higgs basis

- Start with **13 HVV** and **2 Hgg**:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \delta c_z &= \frac{1}{2} g_1^{ZZ} - 1, & c_{zz} &= -\frac{2s_w^2 c_w^2}{e^2} g_2^{ZZ}, & c_{z\Box} &= \frac{M_Z^2 s_w^2}{e^2} \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2}, & \tilde{c}_{zz} &= -\frac{2s_w^2 c_w^2}{e^2} g_4^{ZZ}, \\
 \delta c_w &= \frac{1}{2} g_1^{WW} - 1, & c_{ww} &= -\frac{2s_w^2}{e^2} g_2^{WW}, & c_{w\Box} &= \frac{M_W^2 s_w^2}{e^2} \frac{\kappa_1^{WW}}{(\Lambda_1^{WW})^2}, & \tilde{c}_{ww} &= -\frac{2s_w^2}{e^2} g_4^{WW}, \\
 c_{z\gamma} &= -\frac{2s_w c_w}{e^2} g_2^{Z\gamma}, & \tilde{c}_{z\gamma} &= -\frac{2s_w c_w}{e^2} g_4^{Z\gamma}, & c_{\gamma\Box} &= \frac{s_w c_w}{e^2} \frac{M_Z^2}{(\Lambda_1^{Z\gamma})^2} \kappa_2^{Z\gamma}, \\
 c_{\gamma\gamma} &= -\frac{2}{e^2} g_2^{\gamma\gamma}, & \tilde{c}_{\gamma\gamma} &= -\frac{2}{e^2} g_4^{\gamma\gamma}, & c_{gg} &= -\frac{2}{g_s^2} g_2^{gg}, & \tilde{c}_{gg} &= -\frac{2}{g_s^2} g_4^{gg}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- Reduce to **8 HVV** and **2 Hgg**:

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_1^{WW} &= g_1^{ZZ} \\
 g_2^{WW} &= c_w^2 g_2^{ZZ} + s_w^2 g_2^{\gamma\gamma} + 2s_w c_w g_2^{Z\gamma} \\
 g_4^{WW} &= c_w^2 g_4^{ZZ} + s_w^2 g_4^{\gamma\gamma} + 2s_w c_w g_4^{Z\gamma} \\
 \frac{\kappa_1^{WW}}{(\Lambda_1^{WW})^2} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) &= \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2} + 2s_w^2 \frac{g_2^{\gamma\gamma} - g_2^{ZZ}}{M_Z^2} + 2 \frac{s_w}{c_w} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) \frac{g_2^{Z\gamma}}{M_Z^2}, \\
 \frac{\kappa_2^{Z\gamma}}{(\Lambda_1^{Z\gamma})^2} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) &= 2s_w c_w \left( \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2} + \frac{g_2^{\gamma\gamma} - g_2^{ZZ}}{M_Z^2} \right) + 2(c_w^2 - s_w^2) \frac{g_2^{Z\gamma}}{M_Z^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

also appear in  $H \rightarrow Z\gamma, \gamma\gamma$

no on-shell vs off-shell interplay

# Connection to the Warsaw basis

- Higgs basis (see II.2.1.d of YR4) is more intuitive experimentally  
use mass eigenstates

$$g_4^{ZZ} = -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left( s_w^2 w_{\phi\tilde{B}} + c_w^2 w_{\phi\tilde{W}} + s_w c_w w_{\phi B\tilde{W}} \right),$$

- Warsaw basis  
is simply a rotation  
from  $Z, \gamma, W$  to  $B, W^0, W$

$$g_4^{\gamma\gamma} = -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left( c_w^2 w_{\phi\tilde{B}} + s_w^2 w_{\phi\tilde{W}} - s_w c_w w_{\phi B\tilde{W}} \right),$$

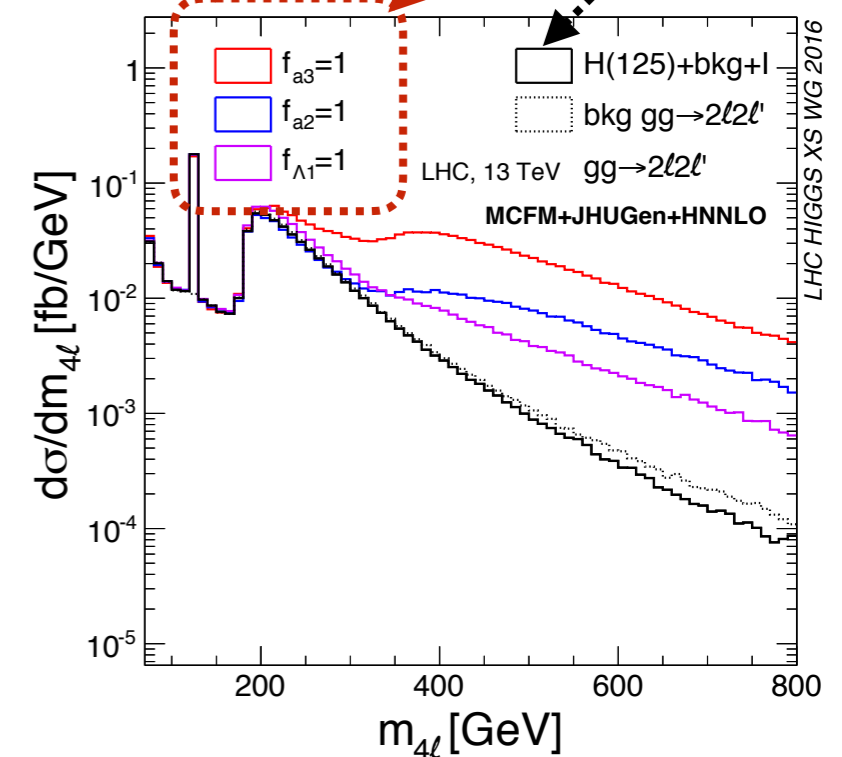
$$g_4^{Z\gamma} = -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \left( s_w c_w (w_{\phi\tilde{W}} - w_{\phi\tilde{B}}) + \frac{1}{2} (s_w^2 - c_w^2) w_{\phi B\tilde{W}} \right),$$

$$g_4^{gg} = -2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} w_{\phi\tilde{G}}.$$

Higgs basis  
3 HZZ couplings  
SM

- Warsaw HVV basis complicates exp. parameterization:

- mixes physical states  $Z, \gamma, W$  to  $B, W^0, W$
- off-shell effect interplay of  
 $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$  (or  $WW^*$ ) vs  $H^* \rightarrow ZZ$  (or  $WW$ )
- off-shell effect does not work with  $H \rightarrow V\gamma^*$
- mixing  $H \rightarrow Z\gamma^*, \gamma^*\gamma^*, ZZ^*$   
need to code  $\sim 3$  times more parameters



# Count the number of EFT parameters in the Higgs basis

- Higgs HVV basis is ideal for off-shell studies
  - does not mix physical states  $Z, \gamma, W$  to non-physical  $B, W^0, W$
  - off-shell effect is interplay of  $Z^*$  (or  $W^*$ ) vs  $H^*$
  - it is always possible to rotate the basis in the end
- Reduce to 4 HVV and 2 Hgg EFT couplings
  - on CMS also set  $g_i^{WW} = g_i^{ZZ}$  ( $\Leftrightarrow c_w = 1$  in EFT relationship)

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_1^{WW} &= g_1^{ZZ} \\
 g_2^{WW} &= c_w^2 g_2^{ZZ} + s_w^2 g_2^{\gamma\gamma} + 2s_w c_w g_2^{Z\gamma} \\
 g_4^{WW} &= c_w^2 g_4^{ZZ} + s_w^2 g_4^{\gamma\gamma} + 2s_w c_w g_4^{Z\gamma} \\
 \frac{\kappa_1^{WW}}{(\Lambda_1^{WW})^2} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) &= \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2} + 2s_w^2 \frac{g_2^{\gamma\gamma} - g_2^{ZZ}}{M_Z^2} + 2\frac{s_w}{c_w} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) \frac{g_2^{Z\gamma}}{M_Z^2}, \\
 \frac{\kappa_2^{Z\gamma}}{(\Lambda_1^{Z\gamma})^2} (c_w^2 - s_w^2) &= 2s_w c_w \left( \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2} + \frac{g_2^{\gamma\gamma} - g_2^{ZZ}}{M_Z^2} \right) + 2(c_w^2 - s_w^2) \frac{g_2^{Z\gamma}}{M_Z^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

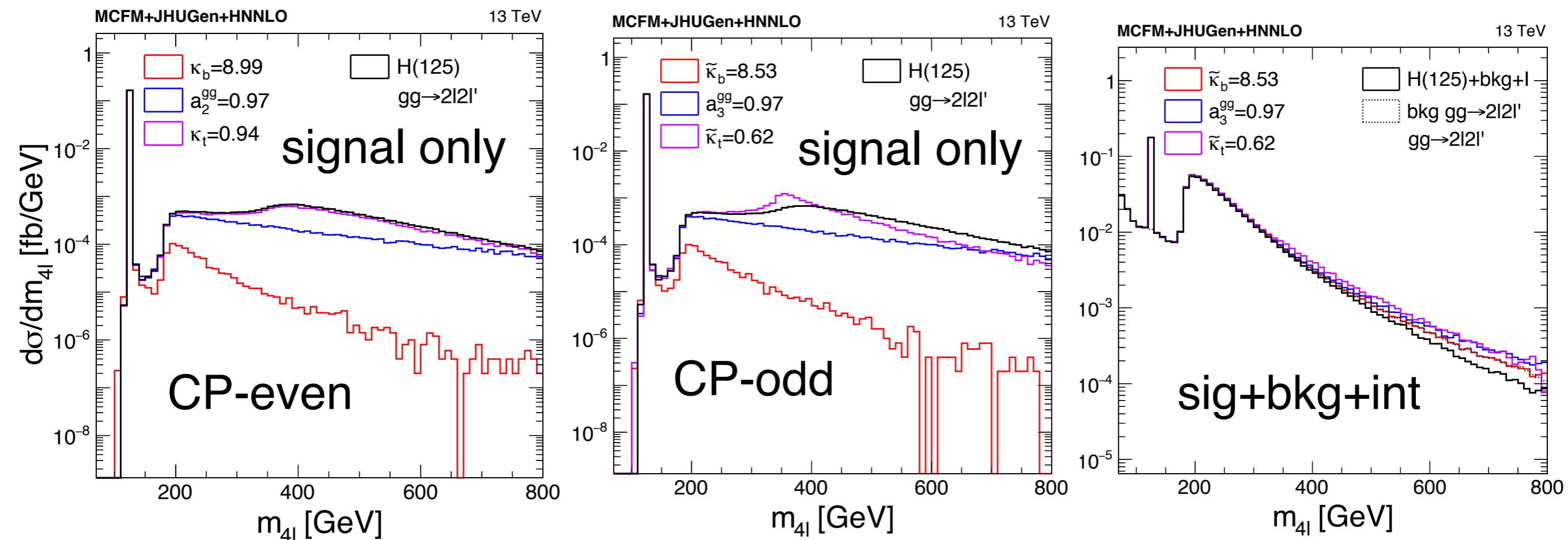
do not consider in off-shell



# (3) anomalous Hgg couplings

- Hgg basis is much simpler, only CP-odd and CP-even, but
  - resolve the loop with the **top** and **bottom**
  - assume **heavy particles** in the loop (point-like)
  - any combination of the above, any CP mixture
- Not explored yet on CMS, but published tools and distributions:

[Springer ISBN 978-3-030-25474-2](#) also [CERN-THESIS-2018-189](#)





# (4) anomalous VBS (EW)

- Example of quartic-gauge couplings / VBS:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{qgc}} = & e^2 (W_\mu^+ A_\mu W_\nu^- A_\nu - W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- A_\nu A_\nu) + \frac{e^2}{2s_w^2} (1 + 2c_w^2 \delta g_{1,z}) (W_\mu^+ W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- W_\nu^- - W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- W_\nu^+ W_\nu^-) \\ & + e^2 \frac{c_w^2}{s_w^2} (1 + 2\delta g_{1,z}) (W_\mu^+ Z_\mu W_\nu^- Z_\nu - W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- Z_\nu Z_\nu) \\ & + e^2 \frac{c_w}{s_w} (1 + \delta g_{1,z}) (W_\mu^+ Z_\mu W_\nu^- A_\nu + W_\mu^+ A_\mu W_\nu^- Z_\nu - 2W_\mu^+ W_\mu^- Z_\nu A_\nu) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

0 in SM

- Relate HIG and EW thru EFT:

$$\delta g_{1,z} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{s_w^2}{c_w^2} d^{ZZWW} - 1 \right) = \frac{s_w}{c_w} d^{Z\gamma WW} - 1$$

$$d^{ZZWW} = \frac{c_w^2}{s_w^2} (2d_2^Z - 1)$$

CP-even HVV couplings

$$d_2^Z = d_3^Z = 1 - \frac{s_w^2}{c_w^2 - s_w^2} (g_2^{\gamma\gamma} - g_2^{ZZ}) - \frac{s_w}{c_w} g_2^{Z\gamma} - \frac{M_Z^2}{2(c_w^2 - s_w^2)} \frac{\kappa_1^{ZZ}}{(\Lambda_1^{ZZ})^2} + \dots$$

- So far off-shell H analysis does not change VBS  
for EFT have the option to change HVV and QGC/TGC coherently...

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SM obs.	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VBF+dec}}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bsi}}^{\text{VBF+dec}}$	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VH+dec}}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bsi}}^{\text{VH+dec}}$	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{kin}}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bsi}}^{\text{gg,dec}}$
$a_3$ obs.	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VBF+dec}}, \mathcal{D}_{0-}^{\text{VBF+dec}}$	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VH+dec}}, \mathcal{D}_{0-}^{\text{VH+dec}}$	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{kin}}, \mathcal{D}_{0-}^{\text{dec}}$
$a_2$ obs.	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VBF+dec}}, \mathcal{D}_{0h+}^{\text{VBF+dec}}$	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VH+dec}}, \mathcal{D}_{0h+}^{\text{VH+dec}}$	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{kin}}, \mathcal{D}_{0h+}^{\text{dec}}$
$\Lambda_1$ obs.	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VBF+dec}}, \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda_1}^{\text{VBF+dec}}$	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VH+dec}}, \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda_1}^{\text{VH+dec}}$	$m_{4l}, \mathcal{D}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{kin}}, \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda_1}^{\text{dec}}$

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- (2) large number of cross-terms in  $|(A_1 + A_2 + \dots)(B_1 + B_2 + \dots)|^2$   
 translates to a **large number of histograms**

solution: limit number of couplings:  $\Gamma_H, \mu_{EW}, \mu_{ggH}, f_{ai} = \frac{|a_i|^2 \sigma_i}{\sum |a_j|^2 \sigma_j}$

joint fit with on-shell

$$\mathcal{P}_{jk}(\vec{x}; \vec{\zeta}_{jk}, \vec{\zeta}) = \frac{\mu_j \Gamma_H}{\Gamma_0} \mathcal{P}_{jk}^{\text{sig}}(\vec{x}; \vec{\zeta}_{jk}, f_{ai}, \phi_{ai}) + \sqrt{\frac{\mu_j \Gamma_H}{\Gamma_0}} \mathcal{P}_{jk}^{\text{int}}(\vec{x}; \vec{\zeta}_{jk}, f_{ai}, \phi_{ai}) + \mathcal{P}_{jk}^{\text{bkg}}(\vec{x}; \vec{\zeta}_{jk})$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{jk}^{\text{sig/int}}(\vec{x}; \vec{\zeta}_{jk}, f_{ai}, \phi_{ai}) = \sum_{m=0}^M \mathcal{P}_{jk,m}^{\text{sig/int}}(\vec{x}; \vec{\zeta}_{jk}) f_{ai}^{\frac{m}{2}} (1 - f_{ai})^{\frac{M-m}{2}} \cos^m(\phi_{ai}).$$

M=4 in VBF:  $VV \rightarrow H \rightarrow VV$

M=2 in VBF/bkg int or ggH

M=1 in ggH/bkg int

# Presentation of off-shell results on CMS

(1)  $\Gamma_H$  with SM-like couplings:

Parameter	Observed	Expected
$\Gamma_H$ (MeV)	$3.2^{+2.8}_{-2.2}$ [0.08, 9.16]	$4.1^{+5.0}_{-4.0}$ [0.0, 13.7]

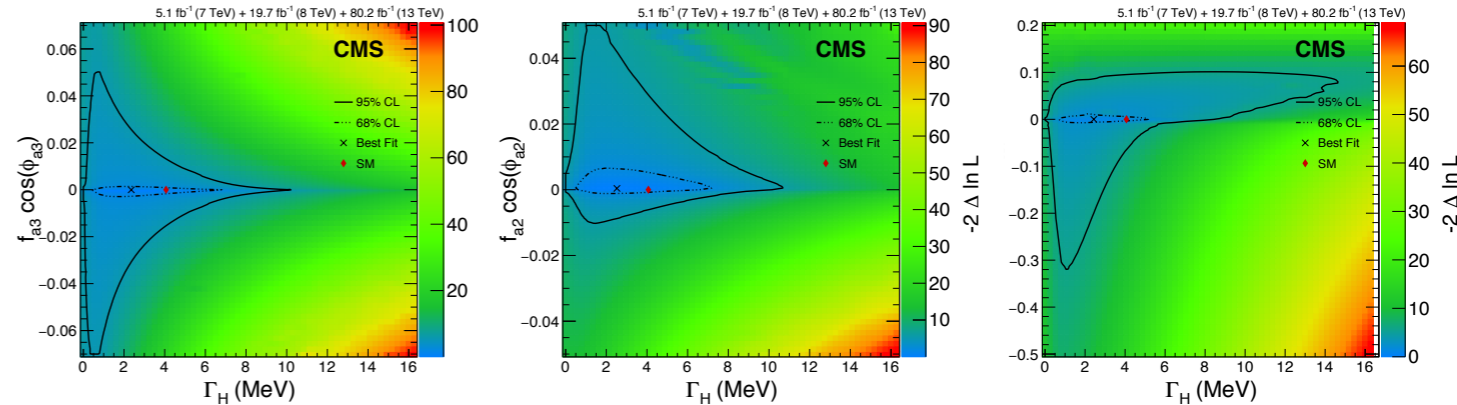
(2)  $\Gamma_H$  with EFT param.  
profiled:

Parameter	Unconstrained parameter	Observed	Expected
$\Gamma_H$ (MeV)	$f_{a3} \cos(\phi_{a3})$	$2.4^{+2.7}_{-1.8}$ [0.02, 8.38]	$4.1^{+5.2}_{-4.1}$ [0.0, 13.9]
$\Gamma_H$ (MeV)	$f_{a2} \cos(\phi_{a2})$	$2.5^{+2.9}_{-1.8}$ [0.02, 8.76]	$4.1^{+5.2}_{-4.1}$ [0.0, 13.9]
$\Gamma_H$ (MeV)	$f_{\Lambda 1} \cos(\phi_{\Lambda 1})$	$2.4^{+2.5}_{-1.6}$ [0.06, 7.84]	$4.1^{+5.2}_{-4.1}$ [0.0, 13.9]

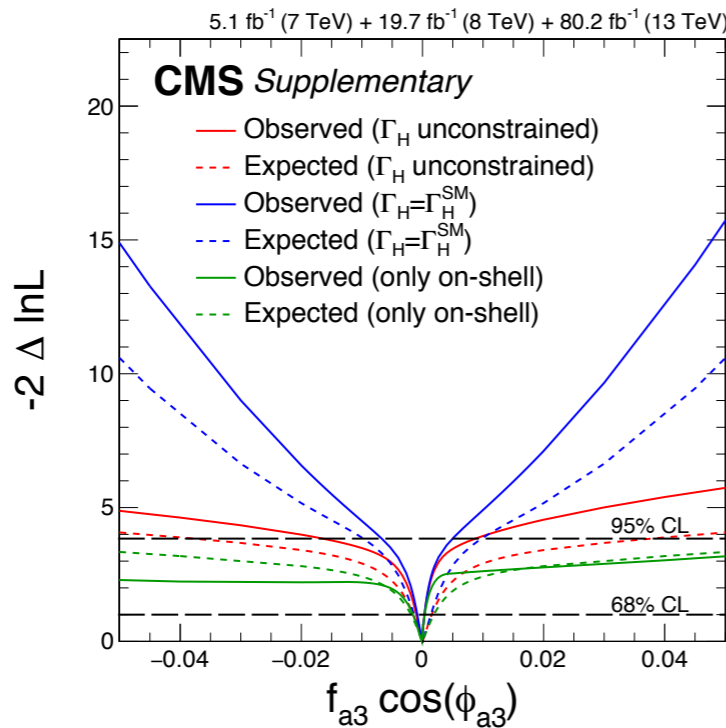
(3) off-shell cross section ( $\mu$ )  
with SM-like couplings:

Parameter	Observed	Expected
$\mu^{\text{off-shell}}$	$0.78^{+0.72}_{-0.53}$ [0.02, 2.28]	$1.00^{+1.20}_{-0.99}$ [0.0, 3.2]
$\mu_F^{\text{off-shell}}$	$0.86^{+0.92}_{-0.68}$ [0.0, 2.7]	$1.0^{+1.3}_{-1.0}$ [0.0, 3.5]
$\mu_V^{\text{off-shell}}$	$0.67^{+1.26}_{-0.61}$ [0.0, 3.6]	$1.0^{+3.8}_{-1.0}$ [0.0, 8.4]

(4) 2D scan of  $\Gamma_H$  vs EFT param.



(5) EFT  
param.



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# Presentation of off-sell results

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Pros and cons, going down the list:

- straightforward:  $\Gamma_H$ , signal strength  $\mu$ , or  $\sigma$  with SM-like couplings
- $\Gamma_H$  and modification of (EFT) H couplings
  - already done, but growing complexity with multiple couplings
- $\Gamma_H$  and modification of (EFT) EW parameters
  - next step after the above
- STXS-like signal strengths
  - attractive, but limited to SM-like couplings only (SM full sim.)
  - not necessarily optimal for further analysis
- differential distribution
  - should be done, but signal  $\sim 2\sigma$  only even before binning
  - reduced information in 1D bins
- exotic (resonance) searches
  - should be done, but outside the focus of this group

# Summary

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- Our goal to measure H coupling **strengths, structures, width**
  - in an **optimal** and **correct** way
- Measure through **H kinematics** in
  - in **off-shell** and **on-shell production**, and **decay**
  - in **interference** with (EW) background
- Developing **tools** takes most of the time
  - **full simulation** of all H+bkg+l production and decay processes
  - **re-weighting** to increase statistics and cover all models
  - **observables** to be optimal to full kinematics
  - **fitting** tools to pull it all together
- Presentation of H\* **off-shell results**
  - growing complexity  $\Gamma_H$ , signal strength ( $\mu$ ), (EFT) **H couplings**
  - often limited by the tools
  - reduced information in **differential** or **template**-like cross sections