

Higgs physics at Run II: a theory perspective



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Framework for BSM Higgs studies

Kappa-formalism vs EFT vs Simplified Model vs Full theory

Probing the Higgs couplings at different energy scales

Boosted Higgs

Off-shell Higgs: couplings and width measurements

Loop-induced processes



The main motivation to build the LHC was to explore the Higgs sector

→ We knew that something "new" was there:

 $\sigma(W_L W_L \to W_L W_L) \propto E_{CM}^2$

→ We even knew that the "new physics" was at the TeV scale:

 $W_L W_L$ scattering probability becomes larger than unity for $E_{cm} > 1.2 TeV$

To restore unitary it needs something like the SM Higgs boson



Motivation

A discovery has been made



The nobel prize has been awarded



But is it really the SM Higgs boson?





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Higgs production and decay at the LHC



Ist attempt - signal strength

Run I - ATLAS and CMS started to report results via the signal strengths μ :

$$\begin{split} i &\to H \to f \\ \mu_i = \frac{\sigma_i}{(\sigma_i)_{\rm SM}} \qquad \mu^f = \frac{{\rm BR}^f}{({\rm BR}^f)_{\rm SM}} \end{split}$$



Pros:

I) Very simple to implement and interpret the results: $\mu=0$ - Background hypothesis

 μ =I - SM Higgs hypothesis

2) Deviations are scale factors to the SM cross-section

Cons:

I) Mixes production and decays couplings

Does not directly access the kinematics (distributions)
 BSM can be at "the tail" of some distributions

BSM approaches

Energy/Complexity

Full theory

New Lorentz structures New degrees of freedom Very complex/many parameters But if correct gives predictability!

Simple coupling rescaling

Simplified models

New Lorentz structures (interesting subset) New degrees of freedom (interesting subset)

Same symmetries of the SM

EFT New Lorentz structures No new degrees of freedom

kappa formalism (Run I paradigm)

Mo new Lorentz structures No new degrees of freedom

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Kappa formalism

Deviations from SM are encoded via a coupling rescaling factor κ_i (Run I paradigm)

$$\kappa_i = \frac{g_i}{g_{SM}} \qquad \qquad \kappa_H^2 = \sum_j BR_{SM}^j \kappa_j^2 = \frac{\Gamma_H}{\Gamma_H^{SM}}$$

Coupling strength is the most characteristic footprint of the SM Higgs It scales with the mass:



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Kappa formalism



EFT formalism



Going beyond the kappa-formalism for the LHC Run-2

Bottom-up approach: Model independent searches for New Physics

$$\mathcal{L}_{EFT} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{Dim6} + \dots$$

EFT - Consistent gauge invariant method to look for the effects of high mass BSM physics Renormalizable order by order in $1/\Lambda$. Consistent framework to perform accurate predictions





Field with big progress in the recent years

Reduced by EOM

80 EFT operators for one fermion family 59 EFT operators for one fermion family Buchmuller, Wyler 1986 Grzadkowski et al. 2010

"It is really amazing that no author of almost 600 papers that quoted Ref. [Buchmuller,Wyler] over 24 years has ever decided to rederive the operator basis from the outset to check its correctness. As the current work shows, the exercise has been straightforward enough for an M. Sc. thesis." Grzadkowski et al. 2010

Many discussions on EFT basis

Bottom line: All EFT basis are equivalent as long as a complete basis is implemented

- Rosetta package can translate bases in FeynRules Falkowski, Fuks, Mawatari, Mimasu, Riva, Sanz 2015
- Are there tools for EFT calculations?
- EFT Lagrangian implementation in FeynRules -> get UFO output talk by Celine & Olivier
- MC generation: MadGraph5, Sherpa, Herwig, MCFM, VBFNLO,...

EFT example 1: Boosted Higgs



• Higgs production: Is the y_t responsible for the ggH coupling or are there BSM contributions?

Relevant CP-even dim6 operators to GF:

$$\mathcal{O}_{g} = \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12\pi v^{2}} |H|^{2} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G^{a\mu\nu} \qquad \mathcal{O}_{y} = \frac{y_{t}}{v^{2}} |H|^{2} \bar{Q}_{L} \tilde{H} t_{R} \qquad \mathcal{O}_{H} = \frac{1}{2v^{2}} \partial_{\mu} |H|^{2} \partial^{\mu} |H|^{2}$$

$$k_{t} = 1 - \frac{c_{H}}{2} - \operatorname{Re}(c_{y}) \qquad k_{g} = c_{g} \qquad \text{Hj:} \\ \mathcal{L}_{ggH} \supset -\kappa_{t} \frac{m_{t}}{v} \bar{t} th + \kappa_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12\pi} \frac{h}{v} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G^{\mu\nu} d \qquad \text{Schlaffer, Spannowsky, Takeuchi, Weiler, Wymant (2014)} \\ \mathbb{Q}_{ggH} \supset -\kappa_{t} \frac{m_{t}}{v} \bar{t} th + \kappa_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12\pi} \frac{h}{v} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G^{\mu\nu} d \qquad \text{Schlaffer, Spannowsky, Takeuchi, Weiler, Wymant (2014)} \\ \mathbb{Q}_{ggH} \supset -\kappa_{t} \frac{m_{t}}{v} \bar{t} th + \kappa_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12\pi} \frac{h}{v} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G^{\mu\nu} d \qquad \text{Schlaffer, Spannowsky, Takeuchi, Weiler, Wymant (2014)} \\ \mathbb{Q}_{ggH} \supset -\kappa_{t} \frac{m_{t}}{v} \bar{t} th + \kappa_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12\pi} \frac{h}{v} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G^{\mu\nu} d \qquad \text{Schlaffer, Spannowsky, Takeuchi, Weiler, Wymant (2014)} \\ \mathbb{Q}_{ggH} \supset -\kappa_{t} \frac{m_{t}}{v} \bar{t} th + \kappa_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{12\pi} \frac{h}{v} G_{\mu\nu}^{a} G^{\mu\nu} d \qquad \text{Schlaffer, Spannowsky, Collabert, Schlaffer Weiler (2013)} \\ \mathbb{Q}_{ggH} \supset -\kappa_{t} \frac{\kappa_{t}}{v} + \kappa_{g} \frac{\alpha_{s}}{g} \frac{h}{gg} \frac{\sigma_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\kappa_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\sigma_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\kappa_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\sigma_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\kappa_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\sigma_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\kappa_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\sigma_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\kappa_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\sigma_{t}}{\sigma_{t}} \frac{\sigma_{t}$$

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Top partners - Prototype model inducing this degeneracy

$$\mathcal{L} = -y\bar{Q}_L t_R H - M\bar{T}T - Y_T\bar{Q}_L T_R H$$



Heavy fermion loops generate kg and mixing modifies yt (kt)

Dawson, Furlan (2014); Chen, Dawson, Lewis (2014)

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EFT example I: Boosted Higgs

Distributions are fundamental to break the degeneracy: $\sigma \sim |\kappa_t + \kappa_g|^2 \rightarrow \kappa_t + \kappa_g = 1$ This information is missed in the rate analysis, i.e., we would miss the BSM effects!



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Grojean, Salvioni, Schlaffer Weiler 2013 Schlaffer, Spannowsky, Takeuchi, Weiler, Wymant 2014 Buschmann, DG, Krauss, Kuttimalai, Schonherr, Plehn 2015

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EFT example 2: Off-Shell Higgs Production

Just recently, we started to recognize the importance of the Off-Shell Higgs since $\Gamma_H/m_H \sim 3 \times 10^{-5}$ one naively expects very small off-shell rates



Theoretical ingredients

Signal and background components:



|a|² - Background component: generated already at tree level (large) known at NNLO (Cascioli et. al. 2014)

|b|² - Continuum background known at LO only. Internal masses make it a nontrivial multi-scale problem; Big uncertainties; Very important calculation for Run II

|c|² - signal (loop-induced) known at NNLO

b*c - Signal/background interference. Large and destructive at large invariant mass. |c|² and b*c present similar perturbative QCD enhancement: $K_{b*c}^{NLO} \sim K_{|c|^2}^{NLO}$

Bonvini, Caola, Forte, Melnikov, Ridolfi (2013)

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Theoretical ingredients

Signal and background components:



Top mass effects in Higgs production

Full top mass: destructive interference

The Higgs does what he is expected to do! (Quigg, Lee, Thacker 1977)



Higgs production - Relevant CP-even dim6 operators to GF:



 κ_t and κ_g need to satisfy Higgs total rate $\sigma \sim |\kappa_t + \kappa_g|^2 \rightarrow \kappa_t + \kappa_g = 1$



Higgs decays - the dim6 operators give rise to the following Higgs interactions: $\mathcal{L}^{HVV} = g_{HZZ}^{(1)} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu} \partial^{\nu} + g_{HZZ}^{(2)} H Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + g_{HZZ}^{(3)} H Z_{\mu} Z^{\mu}$

The additional operators $Z_{\mu\nu}Z^{\nu}\partial^{\nu}$ and $HZ_{\mu\nu}Z^{\mu\nu}$ do not affect the longitudinal Z polarisation

So they lead to similar m_{4l} kinematics as the SM $HZ_{\mu}Z^{\mu}$ We consider only $g_{HZZ}^{(3)}$ in our analysis Azatov, Grojean, Paul, Salvioni (2014)

On-Shell $H \rightarrow ZZ$ angles provide a better probe to the different decay couplings than off-shell measurement. More data and better kinematic sensitivity. Off-shell mostly probes energy growth

Off-Shell Higgs Production

Carries information on the Higgs couplings at different energy scales



Buschmann, DG, Krauss, Kuttimalai, Schonherr, Plehn (2014)

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Off-Shell Measurements: Sfitter results

Full coupling fit to the ATLAS+CMS Run I data:



The Run I CMS results present an excess of events in the off-shell tail
 Atlas sees the opposite, however it has much less statistics for this measurement
 This gives a slight preference to the negative solutions in the fit

Corbett, Eboli, DG, Gonzalez-Fraile, Plehn, Rauch (2015)

- SM prediction $\Gamma_{\rm H} \sim 4 {\rm MeV}$
 - Best limit from direct measurement H \rightarrow ZZ Γ_{H} < 3.4 GeV

New idea: combine on-shell & off-shell rates to break the ξ -degeneracy

$$\sigma_{i \to H \to f}^{\text{On-Shell}} \propto \frac{g_i^2(m_H)g_f^2(m_H)}{\Gamma_H} , \qquad g_{i,f}(m_H) = \xi g_{i,f}^{SM}(m_H) , \qquad \Gamma_H = \xi^4 \Gamma_H$$

 \Rightarrow Sub-leading dependence on Γ_{H} in the off-shell regime

 $\sigma^{\text{Off-Shell}}_{i \to H^* \to f} \propto g_i^2(\sqrt{\hat{s}})g_f^2(\sqrt{\hat{s}})$

Caola, Melnikov (2013) Kauer, Passarino (2012) Campbell, Ellis, Williams (2014)



While interesting idea, it is not a model independent width measurement Englert, Spannowsky (2014) Englert, Soreg, Spannowsky (2014)



Model dependency ultimately reflect the non-trivial ggH momentum running This EFT is a prime example of it:



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Leaving the Higgs width as a free parameter in the SFitter setup:

Total width measurement - combination of Off+On-Shell measurements. But now accounting for the full m₄₁ profile

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\rm SM} + \Delta_W \ g m_W H \ W^{\mu} W_{\mu} + \Delta_Z \ \frac{g}{2c_w} m_Z H \ Z^{\mu} Z_{\mu} - \sum_{\tau, b, t} \Delta_f \ \frac{m_f}{v} H \left(\bar{f}_R f_L + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

 $+ \Delta_g F_G \frac{H}{v} G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} + \Delta_\gamma F_A \frac{H}{v} A_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu} + \text{invisible decays} + \text{unobservable decays}$



As expected, for $\Gamma_{\rm H}/\Gamma^{\rm SM} \sim 30 \sim 2.3^4$ we have $\Delta Z \sim 1.3$

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Loop induced Processes



Many interesting processes are loop-induced:

 $pp \rightarrow H+jets$ (HEFT fails for $p_T > m_t$)

 $pp \rightarrow HH+jets$ (HEFT fails spectacularly)

 $pp \rightarrow VV$ +jets (Off-shell Higgs production and background)

 $pp \rightarrow HZ$ +jets for $p_T > m_t$



. . .

Now, all the above processes can be obtained via, for instance, MCFM, SHERPA+OpenLoops, MadGraph5...

However, most of these are only known at LO We urge their higher order corrections to reduce theoretical uncertainties!

Loop induced: H+jets

H+jets CKKW merging



How many jets do we need to account for? As many as we can add!



Buschmann, DG, Krauss, Kuttimalai, Schonherr, Plehn (2014)

→ Top mass effects fundamental for boosted H: correction of O(4) at pTH~600 GeV

Each jet multiplicity has approximately same top mass correction

Consequently the same happens for the merged results

Loop induced: ZH

Higgs-Strahlung: Z(II)H(inv) & Z(II)H(bb)



There are four major factors that guarantee GF larger than the anticipated naive $\alpha_s^2 \approx 1\%$

- Larger gluon PDF
- → Larger initial state colour factor
- \Rightarrow Top Yukawa coupling appears in the place α_{EW} factors: $y_t \sim O(1)$
- Threshold enhancement at m_{ZH} ~ 2m_t, which gives rise to relevant rates at the boosted regime p_{TH} ~m_t



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New physics might be around the corner!

Local significance: 3.6 sigma ATLAS; 2.6 sigma CMS One cannot claim discovery but it is significant

If the resonance that we see at 750 GeV is confirmed we need another approach

The simplest toy model needs couplings to gluons and photons. This we know very well how to do:

$$\mathcal{L}_{S,\text{eff}} = \frac{e^2}{4v} c_{s\gamma\gamma} S A_{\mu\nu} A_{\mu\nu} + \frac{g_s^2}{4v} c_{sgg} S G^a_{\mu\nu} G^a_{\mu\nu}$$

Important to check other decay channels: ATLAS claims that the best fit is obtained for a wider width extra decays to SM particles and/or new hidden sector. For more details see Ben's slides from yesterday

We might have to start all over again: spin, CP, coupling...







LHC Run II will give very energetic Higgses with significant statistics

Off-shell, boosted (H+jets, HZ+jets...) will be very important to further explore TeV scale

We should go beyond the total rate information. Distribution profiles significantly improve our constraints and should be added to the coupling fits via EFT framework

Watch out the loop induced process. They might be not as small as you think

Backup slides

DY does not feature threshold enhancement but rather show the typical s-channel suppression for large energies



- DY presents the typical 10-20% uncertainty
- GF presents O(30%) Typical for merging at LO
- K-factor variation translates into uncertainty, twice as large as the effect of the standard scale variation in the GF mode

MEPS@NLO/MC@NLO~I for MET distrib.

Loop²+PS significantly undershoots the merged result at the boosted regime

Backup slides



- Loop²+PS significantly undershoots the merged result at the boosted regime
- Larger m_t pushes effect to higher energies Similar to the H+jets case (HEFT vs Full)
- Effects induced by higher jet multiplicity ME beyond the scope of conventional PS alone
- Multijet merging correctly fill these phase space regions
- As the GF becomes a significant player in the boosted regimes a proper modelling is of vital importance