

# *Higgs coupling measurements at the HL-LHC and beyond*

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# Plan of my talk

- Higgs couplings in SMEFT
- di-Higgs searches
- Exotic Higgs decays
- Summary and Conclusions

# Introduction for SMEFT

- Many reasons to go beyond the SM, viz. **gauge hierarchy**, **neutrino mass**, **dark matter**, **baryon asymmetry** etc.
- Plethora of BSM theories
- Two phenomenological approaches:
  - *Model dependent*: study the signatures of each model individually
  - *Model independent*: **low energy effective theory formalism** – analogous to **Fermi's theory of beta decay**
- The SM here is a low energy effective theory **valid below a cut-off scale  $\Lambda$**
- A bigger theory is assumed to supersede the SM above the scale  $\Lambda$
- At the perturbative level, all heavy ( $> \Lambda$ ) DOF are decoupled from the low energy theory (**Appelquist-Carazzone theorem**)
- Appearance of HD operators in the effective Lagrangian valid below  $\Lambda$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM}^{d=4} + \sum_{d \geq 5} \sum_i \frac{f_i}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \mathcal{O}_i^d$$

# Introduction for SMEFT

- Precisely measuring the Higgs couplings → one of the most important LHC goals
- Indirect constraints can constrain much higher scales  $S$ ,  $T$  parameters being prime examples
- Q: Can LHC compete with LEP in constraining precision physics? Can LHC provide new information?  
A: From EFT correlated variables, LEP already constrained certain anomalous Higgs couplings  
Going to higher energies in LHC is the only way
- EFT techniques show that many Higgs deformations aren't independent from cTGCs and EW precision which were already constrained at LEP → Same operators affect TGCs and Higgs deformations

# HD operators

- Higher-dimensional Operators: **invariant under SM gauge group**
- $d = 5$ : Unique operator  $\rightarrow$  Majorana mass to the neutrinos:  $\frac{1}{\Lambda}(\Phi^\dagger L)^T C(\Phi^\dagger L)$
- $d = 6$ :  $59 = 15 + 19 + 25$  independent operators. Lowest dimension (after  $d = 4$ ) which **induces HXX interactions** [W. Buchmuller and D. Wyler; B. Grzadkowski, M. Iskrzynski, M. Misiak and J. Rosiek; K.Hagiwara, D. Zeppenfeld et. al.]
- $d = 7$ : Such operators appear in **Higgs portal dark matter models**
- $d = 8$ : Lowest dimension inducing **neutral TGC interactions**
- To understand the EWSB sector better, we first consider a subset of  $d = 6$  operators involving  $\Phi$ ,  $\partial_\mu \Phi$ ,  $X_{\mu\nu}$  (where  $X = G, B, W$ )

# Gauge-invariant D6 CP<sup>+</sup> operators : Higgs-Gauge sector

- The operators containing the Higgs doublet  $\Phi$  and its derivatives:

$$\mathcal{O}_{\Phi,1} = (D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger \Phi \Phi^\dagger (D^\mu \Phi); \quad \mathcal{O}_{\Phi,2} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \partial^\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi); \quad \mathcal{O}_{\Phi,3} = \frac{1}{3} (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^3$$

- The operators containing the Higgs doublet  $\Phi$  (or its derivatives) and bosonic field strengths :

$$\mathcal{O}_{GG} = \Phi^\dagger \Phi G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu}; \quad \mathcal{O}_{BW} = \Phi^\dagger \hat{B}_{\mu\nu} \hat{W}^{\mu\nu} \Phi; \quad \mathcal{O}_{WW} = \Phi^\dagger \hat{W}_{\mu\nu} \hat{W}^{\mu\nu} \Phi$$

$$\mathcal{O}_W = (D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger \hat{W}^{\mu\nu} (D_\nu \Phi); \quad \mathcal{O}_{BB} = \Phi^\dagger \hat{B}_{\mu\nu} \hat{B}^{\mu\nu} \Phi; \quad \mathcal{O}_B = (D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger \hat{B}^{\mu\nu} (D_\nu \Phi),$$

$$\hat{W}^{\mu\nu} = i \frac{g}{2} \sigma_a W^{a\mu\nu}, \quad \hat{B}^{\mu\nu} = i \frac{g'}{2} B^{\mu\nu}; \quad g, g' : SU(2)_L, U(1)_Y \text{ gauge couplings}$$

$$W_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu W_\nu^a - \partial_\nu W_\mu^a - g \epsilon^{abc} W_\mu^b W_\nu^c; \quad B_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu B_\nu - \partial_\nu B_\mu$$

$$G_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu G_\nu^a - \partial_\nu G_\mu^a - g_s f^{abc} G_\mu^b G_\nu^c$$

$$\Phi : \text{Higgs doublet, } D_\mu \Phi = (\partial_\mu + \frac{i}{2} g' B_\mu + i g \frac{\sigma_a}{2} W_\mu^a) \Phi : \text{Covariant derivative}$$

# Properties of these operators

- $\mathcal{O}_{\Phi,1}$ : Custodial symmetry violated  $\rightarrow$  severely constrained by  $T$ -parameter
- $\mathcal{O}_{\Phi,2}$ : Custodial symmetry preserved; modifies SM  $HHV$  couplings by multiplicative factors (same Lorentz structure)
- $\mathcal{O}_{\Phi,3}$ : Modifies only the Higgs self-interaction; gives additional contribution to the Higgs potential
- $\mathcal{O}_{GG}$ : Introduces  $HGG$  coupling with same Lorentz structure as in the SM; constrained from single Higgs production
- $\mathcal{O}_{BW}$ : Drives tree-level  $Z \leftrightarrow \gamma$  mixing  $\rightarrow$  highly constrained by EWPT
- $\mathcal{O}_{WW}, \mathcal{O}_W, \mathcal{O}_{BB}, \mathcal{O}_B$ : Modifies the  $HHV$  couplings by introducing new Lorentz structures in the Lagrangian; not all are severely constrained by the EWPT

# Effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \beta \left( \frac{2m_W^2}{v} HW_\mu^+ W^{\mu-} + \frac{m_Z^2}{v} HZ_\mu Z^\mu \right) + \sum_i \frac{f_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset & g_{HWW}^{(1)} (W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu} \partial^\nu H + \text{h.c.}) + g_{HWW}^{(2)} HW_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu} \\ & + g_{HZZ}^{(1)} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^\mu \partial^\nu H + g_{HZZ}^{(2)} HZ_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} \\ & + g_{HZ\gamma}^{(1)} A_{\mu\nu} Z^\mu \partial^\nu H + g_{HZ\gamma}^{(2)} HA_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} + g_{H\gamma\gamma} HA_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu}; \end{aligned}$$

$$g_{HWW}^{(1)} = \left( \frac{gM_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) \frac{f_W}{2}; \quad g_{HWW}^{(2)} = - \left( \frac{gM_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) f_{WW}$$

$$g_{HZZ}^{(1)} = \left( \frac{gM_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) \frac{c^2 f_W + s^2 f_B}{2c^2}; \quad g_{HZZ}^{(2)} = - \left( \frac{gM_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) \frac{s^4 f_{BB} + c^4 f_{WW}}{2c^2}$$

$$g_{HZ\gamma}^{(1)} = \left( \frac{gM_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) \frac{s(f_W - f_B)}{2c}; \quad g_{HZ\gamma}^{(2)} = \left( \frac{gM_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) \frac{s(s^2 f_{BB} - c^2 f_{WW})}{c}$$

$$g_{H\gamma\gamma} = - \left( \frac{gM_W}{\Lambda^2} \right) \frac{s^2(f_{BB} + f_{WW})}{2}$$



# Anomalous charged TGC interactions

We also consider the anomalous  $VVV$  interactions by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{WWV} = & -ig_{WWV} \{ g_1^V (W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu} V^\nu - W_\mu^+ V_\nu W^{-\mu\nu}) \\ & + \kappa_V W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- V^{\mu\nu} + \frac{\lambda_V}{M_W^2} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\nu\rho} V_\rho^\mu \}\end{aligned}$$

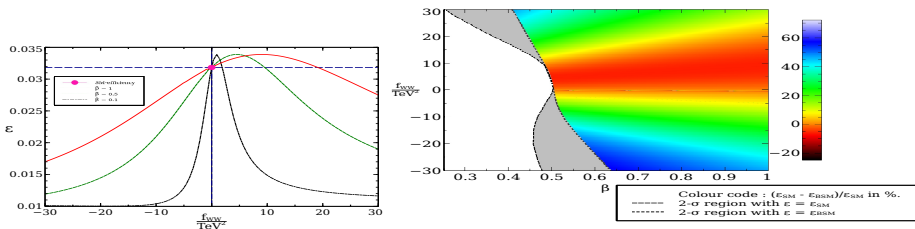
where  $g_{WWV} = g s$ ,  $g_{WWZ} = g c$ ,  $\kappa_V = 1 + \Delta\kappa_V$  and  $g_1^Z = 1 + \Delta g_1^Z$  with

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\kappa_\gamma &= \frac{M_W^2}{2\Lambda^2} (f_W + f_B); \quad \lambda_\gamma = \lambda_Z = \frac{3g^2 M_W^2}{2\Lambda^2} f_{WWW} \\ \Delta g_1^Z &= \frac{M_W^2}{2c^2\Lambda^2} f_W; \quad \Delta\kappa_Z = \frac{M_W^2}{2c^2\Lambda^2} (c^2 f_W - s^2 f_B)\end{aligned}$$

# Modified efficiencies: Case study ( $pp \rightarrow Hjj \rightarrow WW^*jj$ )

- We consider the  $H \rightarrow WW^* + 2j$ ,  $WW^* \rightarrow l^+ \nu l^- \bar{\nu}$  ( $l = \{e, \mu\}$ ) channel which includes contributions from both  $VBF$  and  $VH$  production modes.

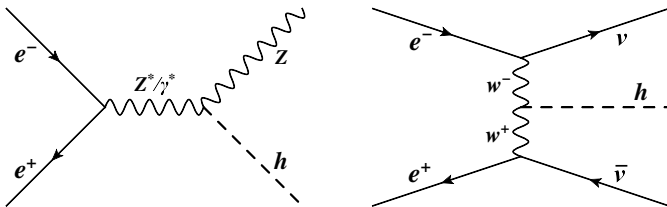
$$\epsilon_{WW^* + \geq 2\text{-jets}} = \frac{50.98\beta^4 + 121.76\beta^3 f_{WW} + 22.85\beta^2 f_{WW}^2 + 0.15\beta f_{WW}^3 + 0.01f_{WW}^4}{1601.43\beta^4 + 3796.63\beta^3 f_{WW} + 666.79\beta^2 f_{WW}^2 - 1.98\beta f_{WW}^3 + 0.73f_{WW}^4}.$$



- Percentage modification of the combined efficiency of all cuts compared to the SM case. Grey region :  $\epsilon_{BSM} = \epsilon_{SM}$

# Phenomenology at $e^+e^-$ colliders

Two main Higgs production processes are

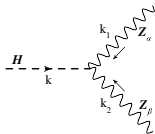


- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}H$  process  $\rightarrow$  admixture of  $s$  and  $t$ -channel processes
- Possible to separate  $s$  and  $t$ -channel from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}H$  events by applying

$$E_{H\text{-cut}}: \left| E_H - \frac{S + M_H^2 - M_Z^2}{2\sqrt{S}} \right| \leq \Delta (= 5 \text{ GeV})$$

- $\Delta \sim \Delta E_{jet}$  where  $\Delta E_{jet}/E_{jet} \lesssim 0.3/\sqrt{E_{jet}}$ . For two  $b$ -jets each with energy  $\sim 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\Delta E_{jet} = \sqrt{2 \times (0.3 \times \sqrt{100})^2} \sim 4 \text{ GeV}$

# The amplitudes : An example



$$M = i\left(\frac{gM_W}{c}\right)[\beta g^{\alpha\beta} + T^{\alpha\beta}]$$

$$T^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2\Lambda^2 c} \{ 4(s^4 f_{BB} + c^4 f_{WW}) [g^{\alpha\beta} (k_1 \cdot k_2) - k_2^\alpha k_1^\beta] + (c^2 f_W + s^2 f_B) \\ \times [-g^{\alpha\beta} (k_1^2 + k_2^2 + 2k_1 \cdot k_2) + (k_1^\alpha k_1^\beta + 2k_2^\alpha k_1^\beta + k_2^\alpha k_2^\beta)] \}$$

- $\mathcal{M}_{e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH}$  is a linear combination of  $x_i \in \{\beta, f_{WW}, f_W, f_{BB}, f_B\}$
- Cross-section can always be expressed as a bilinear combination

$$\sigma_{ZH}(\sqrt{S}, x_i) = \sum_{i,j=1}^5 x_i C_{ij}(\sqrt{S}) x_j$$

# Fitted cross-sections

$$\sigma(\sqrt{S}) = \mathcal{X} \cdot \mathcal{M}(\sqrt{S}) \cdot \mathcal{X}^T$$

where  $\mathcal{X} = (\beta, f_{WW}, f_W, f_{BB}, f_B)$  is a row vector on parameter-space

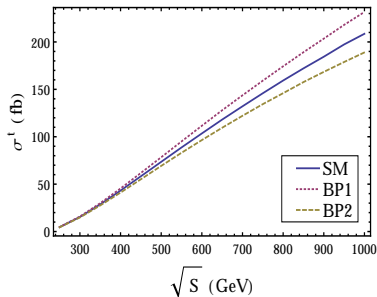
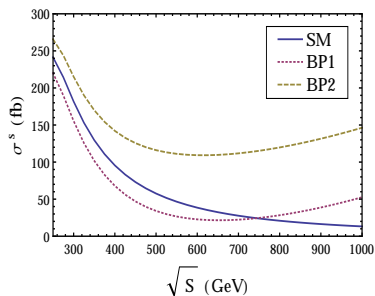
$$\mathcal{M}_{ZH}^s(300 \text{ GeV}) = \begin{pmatrix} 181.67 & -6.43 & -2.99 & -0.51 & -0.71 \\ -6.43 & 0.46 & 0.18 & -0.03 & -0.08 \\ -2.99 & 0.18 & 0.14 & -0.02 & -0.06 \\ -0.51 & -0.03 & -0.02 & 0.02 & 0.03 \\ -0.71 & -0.08 & -0.06 & 0.03 & 0.08 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\nu\bar{\nu}H}^t(300 \text{ GeV}) = \begin{pmatrix} 15.36 & 0.04 & 0.07 \\ 0.04 & 1.2 \times 10^{-3} & -7.7 \times 10^{-4} \\ 0.07 & -7.7 \times 10^{-4} & 4.6 \times 10^{-4} \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\sigma^s$  is less sensitive on  $\mathcal{O}_{BB}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_B$  but  $\sigma^t$  is almost insensitive to HDOs

## $\sigma$ versus $\sqrt{S}$

Benchmark points:  $BP1 = \{1, 0, 5, 0, 0\}$ ,  $BP2 = \{1, 0, -5, 0, 0\}$  (allowed by  $EWPT$  constraints and  $LHC$  data)



- In the SM:  $\sigma_{ZH} \sim 1/S$  and  $\sigma_{\nu\bar{\nu}H}^t \sim \ln(S/M_H^2)$
- In presence of HDOs, the  $\sqrt{S}$ -dependency is non-trivial especially for the  $s$ -channel process

# Estimating D6 coefficients at the HL-LHC

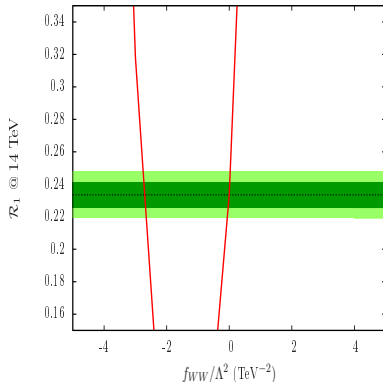
- The HD operator coefficients are constrained to values of  $\mathcal{O}(1)/\text{TeV}^2$
- Kinematic variables can show very little variations *w.r.t.* the *SM* for such small coefficients
- One may construct observables sensitive to even small values of the operator coefficients
- Cross-sections and decay widths are sensitive observables
- If we construct ratios, many correlated uncertainties get cancelled

# The ratio $\mathcal{R}_1$

$$\mathcal{R}_1(f_i) = \frac{\sigma_{ggF} \times BR_{H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}(f_i)}{\sigma_{ggF} \times BR_{H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu}(f_i)}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_1(f_i) = \frac{\mu_{\gamma\gamma}^{ggF}(f_i)}{\mu_{WW^*}^{ggF}(f_i)} \times \frac{(\sigma_{ggF} \times BR_{H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma})^{SM}}{(\sigma_{ggF} \times BR_{H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu})^{SM}}$$

- Strong bounds on  $\mathcal{O}_{WW}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{BB}$ ; insensitive to the other two operators  $\mathcal{O}_W$  and  $\mathcal{O}_B$
- $f_{WW} \approx f_{BB}$  allowed region  
 $\approx [-2.76, -2.65] \cup [-0.06, 0.04]$   
 $\text{TeV}^{-2}$



**Figure :**  $\mathcal{R}_1$  versus  $f_{WW}/\Lambda^2$  ( $\text{TeV}^{-2}$ ). Red line  $\rightarrow$  theoretical expectation in presence of HDOs; Dark green band  $\rightarrow$  uncorrelated theoretical uncertainty; Light green band  $\rightarrow$  total uncorrelated uncertainty at 14 TeV with  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity; Black dotted line  $\rightarrow$  central value.



# Constraining TGC couplings with $pp \rightarrow ZH$ at the HL-LHC

- We have seen from LEP that measuring the oblique  $S, T$  parameters can constrain several BSM scenarios at much higher scales than the LEP running energy
- Many vertices ensuing from EFT operators are correlated and hence LEP has already constrained certain operators affecting the Higgs vertices
- We target the higher energy regions in the parameter space in order to compete with the LEP constraints

# Constraining TGC couplings with $pp \rightarrow ZH$ at the HL-LHC

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta\mathcal{L}_6 \supset & \sum_f \delta g_f^Z Z_\mu \bar{f} \gamma^\mu f + \delta g_{ud}^W (W_\mu^+ \bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu d_L + h.c.) \\
 & + g_{VV}^h h \left[ W^{+\mu} W_\mu^- + \frac{1}{2c_{\theta_W}^2} Z^\mu Z_\mu \right] + \delta g_{ZZ}^h h \frac{Z^\mu Z_\mu}{2c_{\theta_W}^2} \\
 & + \sum_f g_{Zff}^h \frac{h}{v} Z_\mu \bar{f} \gamma^\mu f + g_{Wud}^h \frac{h}{v} (W_\mu^+ \bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu d_L + h.c.) \\
 & + \kappa_{Z\gamma} \frac{h}{v} A^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} + \kappa_{WW} \frac{h}{v} W^{+\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^- + \kappa_{ZZ} \frac{h}{2v} Z^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu}
 \end{aligned}$$

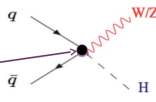
The  $qq \rightarrow Vh$  amplitude can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
 Z_T h : g_f^Z \frac{\epsilon^* \cdot J_f}{v} \frac{2m_Z^2}{\hat{s}} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{g_{Zff}^h}{g_f^Z} - \kappa_{ZZ} \right) \frac{\hat{s}}{2m_Z^2} \right], \\
 Z_L h : g_f^Z \frac{q \cdot J_f}{v} \frac{2m_Z}{\hat{s}} \left[ 1 + \frac{g_{Zff}^h}{g_f^Z} \frac{\hat{s}}{2m_Z^2} \right], \\
 W_T h : g_f^W \frac{\epsilon^* \cdot J_f}{v} \frac{2m_W^2}{\hat{s}} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{g_{Wff'}^h}{g_f^W} - \kappa_{WW} \right) \frac{\hat{s}}{2m_W^2} \right], \\
 W_L h : g_f^W \frac{q \cdot J_f}{v} \frac{2m_W}{\hat{s}} \left[ 1 + \frac{g_{Wff'}^h}{g_f^W} \frac{\hat{s}}{2m_W^2} \right], \quad g_f^Z = \frac{g}{c_{\theta_W}} (T_3 - Q_f s_{\theta_W}^2) \quad g_f^W = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

# Constraining TGC couplings with $pp \rightarrow ZH$ at the HL-LHC

$$\Delta\mathcal{L}_6 \supset \sum_f \delta g_f^Z Z_\mu \bar{f} \gamma^\mu f + \delta g_{ud}^W (W_\mu^+ \bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu d_L + h.c.)$$

$$+ g_{VV}^h h \left[ W^{+\mu} W_\mu^- + \frac{1}{2c_{\theta_W}^2} Z^\mu Z_\mu \right] + \delta g_{ZZ}^h h \frac{Z^\mu Z_\mu}{2c_{\theta_W}^2}$$

$$+ \sum_f \delta g_{Zff}^h \frac{h}{v} Z_\mu \bar{f} \gamma^\mu f + \delta g_{Wud}^h \frac{h}{v} (W_\mu^+ \bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu d_L + h.c.)$$


Leading effect from contact interaction at high energies.  
Energy growth as there is no propagator.

$$\mathcal{M}(ff \rightarrow Z_L h) = g_f^Z \frac{q \cdot J_f}{v} \frac{2m_Z}{\hat{s}} \left[ 1 + \frac{g_{Zff}^h}{g_f^Z} \frac{\hat{s}}{2m_Z^2} \right]$$

At high energies, the following **four directions** in the EFT parameter space are isolated by ZH production

$$g_{Zu_L u_L}^h = -\frac{g}{c_{\theta_W}} \left( (c_{\theta_W}^2 + \frac{s_{\theta_W}^2}{3}) \delta g_1^Z + W - \frac{t_{\theta_W}^2}{3} (\hat{S} - \delta\kappa_\gamma - Y) \right)$$

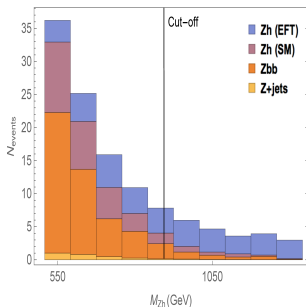
$$g_{Zd_L d_L}^h = -\frac{g}{c_{\theta_W}} \left( (c_{\theta_W}^2 - \frac{s_{\theta_W}^2}{3}) \delta g_1^Z + W + \frac{t_{\theta_W}^2}{3} (\hat{S} - \delta\kappa_\gamma - Y) \right)$$

$$g_{Zu_R u_R}^h = \frac{4gs_{\theta_W}^2}{3c_{\theta_W}^3} (\hat{S} - \delta\kappa_\gamma + c_{\theta_W}^2 \delta g_1^Z - Y)$$

$$g_{Zd_R d_R}^h = -\frac{2gs_{\theta_W}^2}{3c_{\theta_W}^3} (\hat{S} - \delta\kappa_\gamma + c_{\theta_W}^2 \delta g_1^Z - Y)$$

# $pp \rightarrow ZH$ at high energies

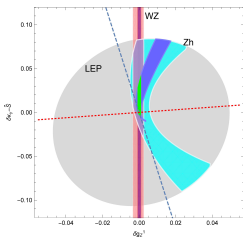
- We study the impact of constraining TGC couplings at higher energies
- We study the channel  $pp \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- b \bar{b}$
- The backgrounds are SM  $pp \rightarrow ZH, Zb\bar{b}, t\bar{t}$  and the fake  $pp \rightarrow Zjj$  ( $j \rightarrow b$  fake rate taken as 2%)
- Boosted substructure analysis with fat-jets of  $R = 1.5$  used (Varying the filtering cone radius)



Cuts	Zbb	Zh (SM)
At least 1 fat jet with 2 $B$ -mesons with $p_T > 15$ GeV	0.23	0.41
2 OSSF isolated leptons	0.41	0.50
$80 \text{ GeV} < M_{\ell\ell} < 100 \text{ GeV}, p_{T,\ell\ell} > 160 \text{ GeV}, \Delta R_{\ell\ell} > 0.2$	0.83	0.89
At least 1 fat jet with 2 $B$ -meson tracks with $p_T > 110 \text{ GeV}$	0.96	0.98
2 Mass drop subjects and $\geq 2$ filtered subjects	0.88	0.92
2 $b$ -tagged subjects	0.38	0.41
$115 \text{ GeV} < m_h < 135 \text{ GeV}$	0.15	0.51
$\Delta R(b_i, \ell_j) > 0.4, \cancel{E}_T < 30 \text{ GeV},  y_h  < 2.5, p_{T,h/Z} > 200 \text{ GeV}$	0.47	0.69

# $pp \rightarrow Zh$ at high energies

- Next we perform a two-parameter  $\chi^2$ -fit (at 300 (3000)  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ ) to find the allowed region in the  $\delta g_1^Z - (\delta\kappa_\gamma - \hat{S})$



	Our Projection	LEP Bound
$\delta g_{WZ}^Z$	$\pm 0.003 (\pm 0.0007)$	$-0.0026 \pm 0.0016$
$\delta g_{dL}^Z$	$\pm 0.003 (\pm 0.001)$	$0.0023 \pm 0.001$
$\delta g_{dR}^Z$	$\pm 0.004 (\pm 0.001)$	$-0.0036 \pm 0.0035$
$\delta g_{dB}^Z$	$\pm 0.015 (\pm 0.006)$	$0.0016 \pm 0.0052$
$\delta g_1^Z$	$\pm 0.004 (\pm 0.001)$	$0.009^{+0.043}_{-0.042}$
$\delta\kappa_\gamma$	$\pm 0.028 (\pm 0.010)$	$0.016^{+0.085}_{-0.096}$
$\hat{S}$	$\pm 0.028 (\pm 0.010)$	$0.0004 \pm 0.0007$
$W$	$\pm 0.003 (\pm 0.001)$	$0.0000 \pm 0.0006$
$Y$	$\pm 0.028 (\pm 0.010)$	$0.0003 \pm 0.0006$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ igc_{\theta_W} \delta g_1^Z \left[ (Z^\mu (W^{+\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^- - \text{h.c.}) + Z^{\mu\nu} W_\mu^+ W_\nu^- + \dots) \right] \\
 &+ ie \delta\kappa_\gamma \left[ (A_{\mu\nu} - t_{\theta_W} Z_{\mu\nu}) W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} + \dots \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

Grey region: LEP exclusion; pink band: exclusion from WZ [Franceschini, Panico, Pomarol, Riva and Wulzer, 2017];

light (dark) blue region: exclusion from  $ZH$  at 300 (3000)  $\text{fb}^{-1}$

# Summary

- EFT framework is a powerful tool to understand Higgs coupling deviations and nature of the Higgs (part of a doublet or not?)
- Efficiencies for various acceptance cuts are altered by varying Lorentz structure
- Future  $e^+e^-$  colliders can potentially constrain EFT parameters to excellent precision
- Various ratios can be used to see the effect of small values of operator coefficients  $\rightarrow$  cancellation of several uncertainties
- Possible to constrain certain EFT parameters to stronger degrees at HL-LHC than was done at LEP
- Boosted  $ZH$  channel helps in constraining TGC couplings

# di-Higgs: Motivation

- Di-Higgs provides means to directly probe Higgs self coupling
- Indirect probe: Through radiative corrections of single Higgs productions [Goertz *et. al.*, 2013, McCullough, 2013, Degrandi *et. al.*, 2016]
- Challenging task : small di-Higgs cross-section in SM ( $39.56^{+7.32\%}_{-8.38\%}$  fb at NNLO + NNLL at 14 TeV with the exact top-quark mass dependence at NLO [deFlorian *et. al.*, 2013, Borowka *et. al.*, 2016])  $\leftarrow$  partial cancellation of triangle and box diagram contributions
- LHC or 100 TeV colliders : self-coupling measurement at 10-50% precision possible  $\rightarrow$  size of dataset, beam energy, control over systematics
- Assuming SM couplings, HL-LHC prediction:  $-0.8 < \frac{\lambda}{\lambda_{\text{SM}}} < 7.7$  at 95% C.L. [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2017-001]

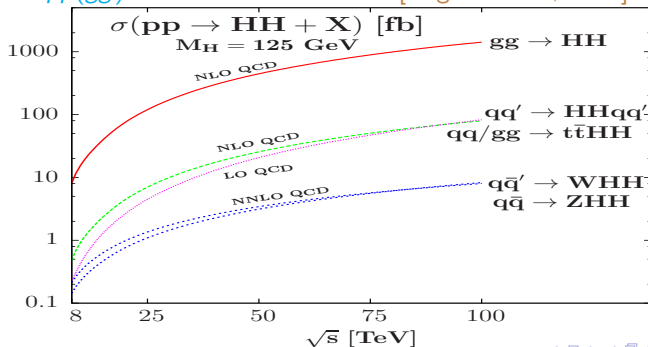
# di-Higgs: Motivation

- Enhancement of  $\sigma_{hh}$  → **s-channel heavy di-Higgs resonance** [xSM models *etc.*] [Mühlleitner *et. al.*, 2015; Ramsey-Musolf *et. al.*, 2016 *etc.*], **new coloured particles in loops** [Kribs *et. al.*, 2012, Nakamura *et. al.*, 2017] or **HD operators** [Nishiwaki *et. al.*, 2013] → **kinematics altered** → requires different experimental search strategies
- Till date → major focus on BSM di-Higgs sector → **enhancement in production**
- New physics can affect Higgs *decays* → **exotic Higgs decays now actively studied** [Curtin *et. al.*, 2015]
- $\sigma_{pp \rightarrow h} \gg \sigma_{pp \rightarrow hh}$  → **expect exotic Higgs decays to show up in single Higgs channels first unless di-Higgs is enhanced considerably**
- Worthwhile to consider exotic decays for di-Higgs → **present bounds on variety of Higgs decays : BR very weak (10-50%)**



# Di-Higgs production cross-sections at 14 TeV

- Di-Higgs cross-section **largest in the  $ggF$  mode**
- In  $VBF$  @ NLO :  $2.01^{+7.6\%}_{-5.1\%}$  fb
- In  $Whh$  @ NNLO :  $0.57^{+3.7\%}_{-3.3\%}$  fb
- In  $Zhh$  @ NNLO :  $0.42^{+7.0\%}_{-5.5\%}$  fb
- In  $qq'(gg) \rightarrow t\bar{t}hh$  @ LO : 1.02 fb [Baglio *et. al.*, 2012]



# Status of the di-Higgs searches

Channel	CMS (NR) ( $\times$ SM)	CMS (R) [fb, (GeV)]	ATLAS (NR) ( $\times$ SM)	ATLAS (R) [fb, (GeV)]
$b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$	342	1511-47 (260-1200)	13	2000-2 (260-3000)
$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$	19.2	232-325 (250-900)	117	7000-4000 (275-400)
$b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$	30	3120-73 (250-900)		
$\gamma\gamma WW^*$ ( $\gamma\gamma\ell\nu jj$ )			747	47700-24300 (260-500)
$b\bar{b}\ell\nu\ell\nu$	79	20499-803 (300-900)		

NR: Non-resonant, R: Resonant,  $\sim 36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $\sim 13.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $\sim 2.3\text{-}3.2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

# Non resonant di-Higgs production at the HL-LHC

- We choose channels based on the **rate and cleanliness**
- Focus on final states with **leptons and/or photons**
- Focus on **11** channels, *viz.*
  - $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$
  - $b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}l\ell + \cancel{E}_T, b\bar{b}l\tau_h + \cancel{E}_T, b\bar{b}\tau_h\tau_h + \cancel{E}_T$
  - $b\bar{b}WW^* \rightarrow b\bar{b}l\ell + \cancel{E}_T, b\bar{b}ljj + \cancel{E}_T$
  - $WW^*\gamma\gamma \rightarrow l\ell\gamma\gamma + \cancel{E}_T, ljj\gamma\gamma + \cancel{E}_T$
  - $WW^*WW^* \rightarrow \ell^\pm\ell^\pm jjj + \cancel{E}_T, \ell\ell jj + \cancel{E}_T, \ell\ell\ell + \cancel{E}_T$
- $4\tau, WW^*\tau^+\tau^-, ZZ^*\tau^+\tau^-, 4\gamma, ZZ^*\gamma\gamma, 4Z$  may be important at **100 TeV** colliders
- Follow CMS and ATLAS analyses (when available) and optimise upon them

# Non resonant di-Higgs production at the HL-LHC: $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$

- **Cleanest channel** in spite of the low rate
- Major backgrounds: QCD-QED  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ ,  $h\bar{b}\bar{b}$ ,  $t\bar{t}h$ ,  $Zh$
- Dominant fakes:  $c\bar{c}\gamma\gamma$ ,  $j\bar{j}\gamma\gamma$ ,  $b\bar{b}j\gamma$ ,  $c\bar{c}j\gamma$ ,  $b\bar{b}jj$

Selection cuts
$N_j < 6$ $0.4 < \Delta R_{\gamma\gamma} < 2.0, 0.4 < \Delta R_{bb} < 2.0, \Delta R_{\gamma b} > 0.4$ $100 \text{ GeV} < m_{bb} < 150 \text{ GeV}$ $122 \text{ GeV} < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 128 \text{ GeV}$ $p_{T,bb} > 80 \text{ GeV}, p_{T,\gamma\gamma} > 80 \text{ GeV}$

Cut flow	Event rates with $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ of integrated luminosity							$\frac{S}{\sqrt{B}}$
	Signal $hh \rightarrow 2b2\gamma$	SM Backgrounds						
		$h\bar{b}\bar{b}$	$t\bar{t}h$	$Zh$	$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma^*$	Fake 1	Fake 2	
Order	NNLO	NNLO (5FS) + NLO (4FS)	NLO	NNLO (QCD) + NLO EW	LO	LO	LO	
$2b + 2\gamma$	31.63	21.20	324.91	39.32	25890.31	1141.18	393.79	0.19
lepton veto	31.63	21.20	255.66	39.32	25889.94	1141.18	393.79	0.19
$N_j < 6$	31.04	21	192.05	39.23	25352.78	1064.64	167.32	0.19
$\Delta R$ cuts	22.19	7.75	38.71	23.48	4715.21	130.10	28.81	0.31
$m_{b\bar{b}}$	12.71	1.53	13.80	1.09	862.37	22.11	6.88	0.42
$m_{\gamma\gamma}$	12.36	1.5	13.16	1.06	26.54	22.11	6.88	1.46
$p_{T,b\bar{b}}, p_{T,\gamma\gamma}$	12.32	1.48	13.03	1.06	26.54	21.82	6.88	1.46

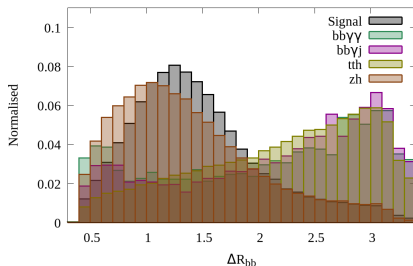
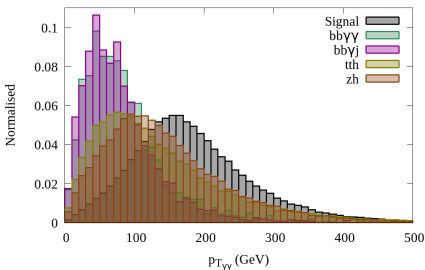
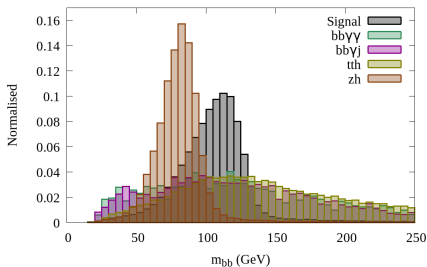
- significance:  $S/B = 0.17$  and  $S/\sqrt{B} = 1.46$
- With additional  $\cancel{E}_T < 50 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $S/B = 0.19$  and  $S/\sqrt{B} = 1.51$
- Changing to:  $90 \text{ GeV} < m_{bb} < 130 \text{ GeV}$ :  $S/B = 0.19$  and  $S/\sqrt{B} = 1.64$
- $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma^* = b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma + c\bar{c}\gamma\gamma + j\bar{j}\gamma\gamma$ , Fake1 =  $b\bar{b}j\gamma + c\bar{c}j\gamma$ , Fake2 =  $b\bar{b}jj$

- **Multivariate** technique employed to further optimise search
- **Boosted decision tree (BDT)** algorithms chosen
- **Overtaining** checked using the **Kolmogorov-Smirnov** test
- **Variables chosen** (according to the **best discriminatory power**):

$$m_{bb}, p_{T,\gamma\gamma}, \Delta R_{\gamma\gamma}, p_{T,bb}, \Delta R_{b_1\gamma_1}, p_{T,\gamma_1}, \Delta R_{bb}, \\ p_{T,\gamma_2}, \Delta R_{b_2\gamma_1}, \Delta R_{b_2\gamma_2}, p_{T,b_1}, \Delta R_{b_1\gamma_2}, p_{T,b_2}, \cancel{E}_T$$

- $S/B = 0.19$  and  $S/\sqrt{B} = 1.76\sigma$  **CMS (ATLAS) projection:  $1.6\sigma$  ( $1.05\sigma$ )**

# Non resonant di-Higgs production at the HL-LHC: $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$



# Non resonant di-Higgs production at the HL-LHC:

## Summary

- Bleak prospects for discovering SM non-resonant di-Higgs channel at HL-LHC with  $3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  data
- $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  is the cleanest ( $S/B \sim 0.19$ ) but suffers from small rate
- Combined significance  $\sim 2.1\sigma$  from the aforementioned channels
- Combination to other (hadronic) channels will not drastically improve this: Still to be optimised and seen
- Purely leptonic case for  $b\bar{b}WW^*$  shows promise but needs better handle over backgrounds  $\rightarrow$  data driven backgrounds
- Both semi-leptonic and leptonic channels for  $\gamma\gamma WW^*$  show excellent  $S/B \rightarrow$  need larger luminosity (considering CMS and ATLAS datasets separately to form  $6 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ ) or higher energy colliders

# Higgs invisible decays in the Higgs pair productions:

## Motivation

- Here we will discuss the scenario where one Higgs decays invisibly ( $h \rightarrow \cancel{E}_T$ )
- $BR_{\text{inv}}$  constrained from global fits of Higgs data or from direct searches like mono-jet ( $hj$ ), VBF ( $hjj$ ) and  $Vh$  channels  $\rightarrow BR_{\text{inv}} \lesssim 25 - 50\% \rightarrow$  potential to bound  $Br_{\text{inv}} \lesssim 5\%$  at HL-LHC
- Current limit  $\rightarrow BR_{\text{inv}} < 0.28$  (0.31) from ATLAS @ 8 TeV and  $< 0.24$  (0.23) from CMS at 7+8+13 TeV at 95% CL [CMS-PAS-HIG-16-016]
- If any new light particles couple to Higgs even with a coupling strength comparable to  $b$ -quark Yukawa ( $\sim 1/60$ )  $\rightarrow$  sizeable exotic BR
- Motivations  $\rightarrow$  DM connection, decay to long-lived sterile neutrinos, PGBs like axions or Majorons, LSP in SUSY, KK-states in extra-dimensional theories



## Higgs invisible decays in the Higgs pair productions: $b\bar{b} + \cancel{E}_T$ final state

- Several other interesting channels like  $2\gamma + \cancel{E}_T, 4\ell + \cancel{E}_T \rightarrow$  tiny cross-section due to small BR, important for resonance scenario
- $WW^* + \cancel{E}_T$  has larger BR but a fully leptonic channel will give additional  $\cancel{E}_T$  (reconstruction of both Higgs extremely challenging) and fully hadronic will have large SM backgrounds. Similarly for  $\tau\tau + \cancel{E}_T$ . However, even without being able to reconstruct either Higgs, a counting of events for such channels can be useful

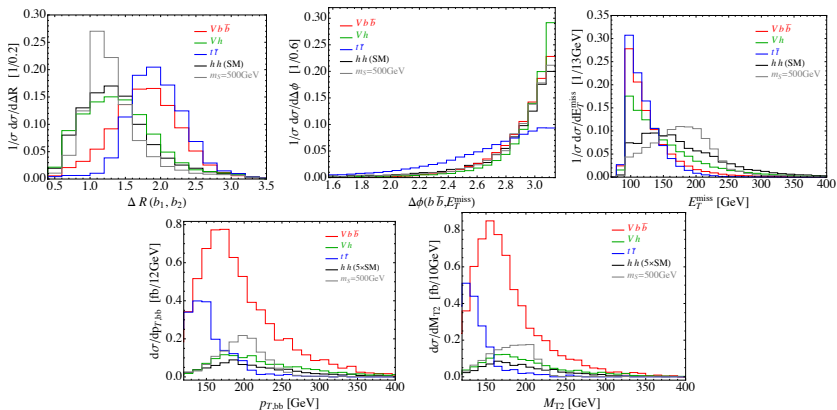
# Higgs invisible decays in the Higgs pair productions:

## $b\bar{b} + \cancel{E}_T$ final state

- We will thus consider the scenario :  $pp \rightarrow hh + X \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(\cancel{E}_T) + X \rightarrow$   
largest possible signal rate
- Combining with the aforementioned channels might yield a larger sensitivity  
→ future work
- Proposed signature similar to *mono-Higgs*, studied as a probe of certain DM scenarios → little overlap, cuts for mono-Higgs searches not optimised for di-Higgs especially the hard  $\cancel{E}_T$  cut [Carpenter *et. al.*, 2013 *etc.*]
- Each visible Higgs BR is now scaled by  $(1 - BR_{\text{inv}}) \rightarrow$  rates diluted by  $(1 - BR_{\text{inv}})^2$  per visible Higgs decay

# Higgs invisible decays in the Higgs pair productions: $b\bar{b} + \cancel{E}_T$ final state

- Cut-based analysis: after selection of 2  $b$ -jets:  $S/B = 0.026$ ,  $S/\sqrt{B} = 2.82$  (Non-resonant)
- Cut-based analysis: before the final event selection ( $\text{BR}_{\text{inv}} = 0.2$ )



# Higgs invisible decays in the Higgs pair productions: BDT

- BDT with 13 kinematic variables, viz.  $M_{b_1 b_2}$ ,  $\Delta R(b_1, b_2)$ ,  $p_T^{b_1}$ ,  $p_T^{b_2}$ ,  $\eta^{b_1}$ ,  $\eta^{b_2}$ ,  $\phi^{b_1}$ ,  $\phi^{b_2}$ ,  $\Delta\phi(\cancel{E}_T, b_1 b_2)$ ,  $p_T^{b_1 b_2}$ ,  $M_{T2}$ ,  $M_T$ ,  $\cancel{E}_T$
- Non-resonant:  $S/B = 0.033$ ,  $S\sqrt{B} = 4.44$
- If systematic uncertainties are controlled using data-driven techniques, then only the SM production mode can be a useful channel
- For  $m_S = 500$  GeV,  $\sigma_{hh} < 450$  fb  $\rightarrow$  these assume SM BRs and hence for us results will be larger by  $(1 - BR_{\text{inv}})^{-2} \rightarrow$  Boosted  $b$ -jets and larger  $\cancel{E}_T$
- Benchmark chosen :  $m_S = 500$  GeV,  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow hh)_{14 \text{ TeV}} = 5\sigma_{SM}^{hh}$ ,  $\Gamma_S = 5.47$  GeV
- Cut-based analysis:  $S/B = 0.13$ ,  $S/\sqrt{B} = 12$  and BDT:  $S/B = 0.20$ ,  $S/\sqrt{B} = 21.60$  for  $BR_{\text{inv}} = 0.1$

# Higgs invisible decays in the Higgs pair productions: Complementing VBF

- We demand 90% exclusion for  $\text{BR}_{\text{inv}} = 5\%$ , with a heavy scalar of  $m_H = 500$  GeV
- Assuming zero systematics, after BDT cut, we have 27 (58) signal (background) events. We need  $\mathcal{L} = 54 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Assuming 5% systematics, after BDT cut, we have 237 (513) signal (background) events. We require  $\mathcal{L} = 120 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- This channel has the potential to give a stiff competition to the VBF channel having the potential to exclude invisible BR of 5% at 90% CL and at the same time also has potential to study di-Higgs signatures
- With a BDT multi-variate analysis @ 13 TeV with  $\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , reach on  $\text{BR}_{\text{inv}}$  improves from 47% to 28% at 95% CL. For the HL-LHC at  $3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ , one can have a final reach of  $\text{BR}_{\text{inv}} = 3.5\%$  [Bernaciak *et. al.*, 2014]

# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels

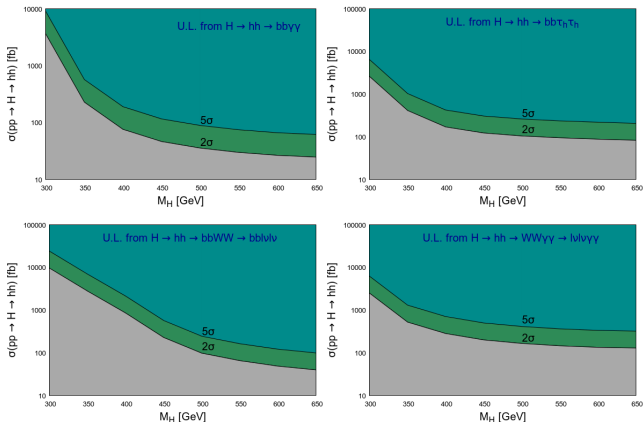
- SM di-Higgs signal events are rather small for most final states
- BSM physics may distort or contaminate the signal  $\rightarrow$  if statistically significant  $\rightarrow$  new physics
- May be due to  $y_t$  or  $\lambda_{hhh}$
- May be some totally different new physics scenarios mimicking some or all SM di-Higgs final states
- Q: How much contamination possible once BDT performed to maximise SM di-Higgs?
- A: If new physics kinematic variables overlap with SM counterpart or If overlap is not significant but overall rate is large
- Correlations possible: Some non-resonant channels will incur contamination from more new physics scenarios than others

# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels:

## $hh(+X)$

- Extended Higgs sectors like 2HDM, complex scalar extension, MSSM allow for a heavy resonant Higgs decaying to an SM-like Higgs pair
- Requirement: alignment limit and low  $\tan \beta$  for large di-Higgs cross-section for  $m_{H(A)} \sim \text{few } 100 \text{ GeV}$
- Require narrow width assumption (GeV range)
- Cross-section upper limit defined as:  $S_{\text{NP}}^{\text{UL}} / \sqrt{B_{\text{SM}}} > N\sigma$
- Green (blue) region indicate upper limit on cross-section to contaminate SM yield at  $2\sigma(5\sigma)$ :  $B_{\text{SM}}$  contains SM di-Higgs

# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: $hh(+X)$



● Order 100 fb cross-section for resonant Higgs mass  $\gtrsim 400$  GeV  $\rightarrow$  Contaminates SM di-Higgs expectation to at least  $2\sigma$

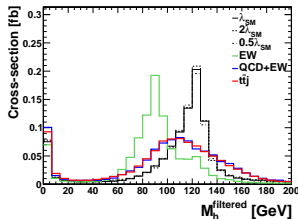
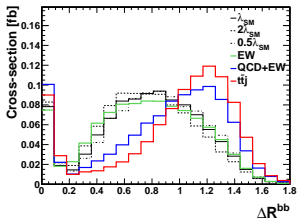
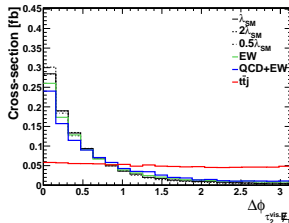
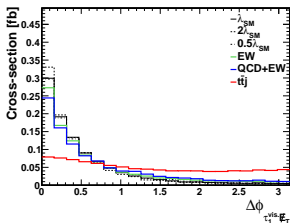


# Di-Higgs + jet at a 100 TeV collider

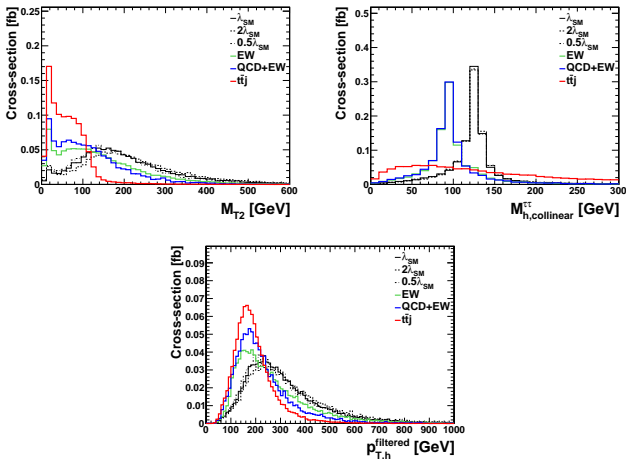
- Observing the Higgs self-coupling at the HL-LHC seem far fetched
- Di-Higgs cross-section increases by 39 times going from 14 TeV  $\rightarrow$  100 TeV
- Extra jet emission becomes significantly less suppressed: 77 times enhancement from 14 TeV  $\rightarrow$  100 TeV collider  $\rightarrow$  extra handle
- Recoiling a collimated Higgs pair against a jet exhibits more sensitivity to  $\lambda_{hhh}$  as compared to  $pp \rightarrow hh \rightarrow$  statistically limited at the LHC
- Study  $hhj \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-j \rightarrow b\bar{b}\tau_h(\tau_\ell)\tau_\ell j$  and  $hhj \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}j$
- Use substructure technique: BDRS [Butterworth, *et. al.*, 2008] with mass drop and filtering

# Di-Higgs + jet at a 100 TeV collider ( $j b \bar{b} \tau^+ \tau^-$ )

- $R = 1.5$ ,  $p_T^j > 110$  GeV,  $\tau$ -tag efficiency 70%,  $b$ -tag efficiency 70%,  $b$ -mistag rate 2%; Combined  $\tau_h \tau_h$  and  $\tau_h \tau_\ell$



# Di-Higgs + jet at a 100 TeV collider ( $j b \bar{b} \tau^+ \tau^-$ )



# Di-Higgs + jet at a 100 TeV collider ( $j b \bar{b} \tau^+ \tau^-$ )

observable	reconstructed object
$p_T$	2 hardest filtered subjets 2 visible $\tau$ objects ( $\tau_\ell$ or $\tau_h$ ) hardest non $b$ , $\tau$ -tagged jet reconstructed Higgs from filtered jets reconstructed Higgs from visible $\tau$ final states
$p_T$ ratios	2 hardest filtered jets 2 visible $\tau$ final state objects
$m_{T2}$	described before
$\Delta R$	two hardest filtered subjets two visible $\tau$ objects ( $\tau_\ell \tau_\ell$ or $\tau_\ell \tau_h$ ) $b$ -tagged jets and lepton or $\tau_h$ $b$ -tagged jets and jet $j_1$ lepton or $\tau_h$ with jet $j_1$
$M_{\tau\tau}^{\text{col}}$	collinear approximation of $h \rightarrow \tau\tau$ mass
$M^{\text{filt}}$	filtered $j_1$ and $j_2$ (and $j_3$ if present)
$M_{hh}^{\text{vis.}}$	filtered jets and leptons (or lepton and $\tau_h$ )
$\cancel{E}_T$	reduce sub-leading backgrounds
$\Delta\phi$	between visible $\tau$ final state objects and $\cancel{E}_T$ between filtered jets system and $\ell\ell$ (or $\ell\tau_h$ ) systems
$N_{\text{jets}}$	number of anti- $k_T$ jets with $R = 0.4$

## Di-Higgs + jet at a 100 TeV collider ( $j b \bar{b} \tau^+ \tau^-$ )

	signal	QCD+QED	QED	$t\bar{t}j$	tot. background	$S/B$	$S/\sqrt{B}, 3/\text{ab}$
$\kappa_\lambda = 0.5$	0.444	0.949	0.270	2.311	3.530	0.126	12.47
$\kappa_\lambda = 1$	0.363					0.103	10.57
$\kappa_\lambda = 2$	0.264					0.075	7.69

$$0.76 < \kappa_\lambda < 1.28 \quad 3/\text{ab}$$

$$0.92 < \kappa_\lambda < 1.08 \quad 30/\text{ab}$$

at 68% confidence level using the CLs method.

# Summary

- Search for Higgs pair production is an important enterprise to understand the Higgs cubic coupling
- Non-resonant di-Higgs searches at the HL-LHC yields a significance of  $\sim 2.1\sigma$
- New search strategy proposed  $pp \rightarrow hh \rightarrow b\bar{b} + \cancel{E}_T$  with a non-SM decay mode  $\rightarrow$  promising: may compete with VBF to constrain  $h \rightarrow$  invisible BR
- Contaminations to SM non-resonant di-Higgs channels from resonance Higgs, squark pair production,  $A \rightarrow Zh$ , chargino-neutralino pair production,  $H \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ , charged Higgs production, stop pair production etc. possible
- 100 TeV collider studies show promise for di-Higgs + jet
- Systematic uncertainties need to be understood better in the future in order to make strong claims about these channels
- Other exotic decay modes like  $\gamma\gamma + \cancel{E}_T$ ,  $4b + 2\ell + \cancel{E}_T$  etc. need to be studied

# Backup Slides

# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: BPs

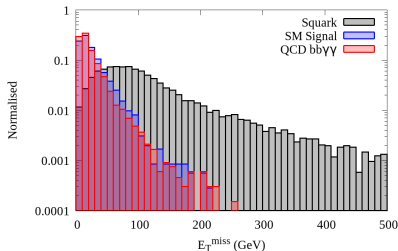
$M_A = 1000$  GeV,  $\tan \beta = 10$ ,  $A_t = 2500$  GeV,  $m_{\tilde{Q}_{3\ell}} = m_{\tilde{b}_R} = 3000$  GeV,  $A_b = A_\tau = 0$ ,  $M_3 = 3000$  GeV

Benchmark Points	Parameters (GeV)	Mass (GeV)	Processes	Branching Fraction
<p>BP1</p> <p><math>pp \rightarrow \tilde{q}_L^{(*)} \tilde{q}_L^{(*)}</math></p> <p>(Cross-section: 128.5 fb)</p> <p><math>\tilde{q}_L = \tilde{u}_L, \tilde{d}_L, \tilde{c}_L, \tilde{s}_L</math></p>	<p><math>M_1 = 700, M_2 = 840</math></p> <p><math>\mu = 3000, m_{\tilde{t}_R} = 3000</math></p>	<p><math>m_{\tilde{u}_L} = 850.1</math></p> <p><math>m_{\tilde{d}_L} = 850.1</math></p> <p><math>m_{\tilde{c}_L} = 850.1</math></p> <p><math>m_{\tilde{s}_L} = 850.1</math></p> <p><math>m_H = 1000.0</math></p> <p><math>m_{H^\pm} = 1003.0</math></p> <p><math>m_{\chi_2^0} = 836.0</math></p> <p><math>m_{\chi_1^0} = 700.0</math></p>	<p><math>\tilde{u}_L \rightarrow \chi_2^0 u_L</math></p> <p><math>\tilde{d}_L \rightarrow \chi_2^0 d_L</math></p> <p><math>\tilde{c}_L \rightarrow \chi_2^0 c_L</math></p> <p><math>\tilde{s}_L \rightarrow \chi_2^0 s_L</math></p> <p><math>\chi_2^0 \rightarrow \chi_1^0 h</math></p>	<p>13.8%</p> <p>15.4%</p> <p>13.8%</p> <p>15.4%</p> <p>98.7%</p>
<p>BP2</p> <p><math>pp \rightarrow \chi_1^\pm \chi_2^0</math></p> <p>(Cross-section: 420 fb)</p>	<p><math>M_1 = 150, M_2 = 300</math></p> <p><math>\mu = 1000, m_{\tilde{t}_R} = 3000</math></p>	<p><math>m_{\chi_2^0} = 296.7</math></p> <p><math>m_{\chi_1^\pm} = 296.7</math></p> <p><math>m_{\chi_1^0} = 149.3</math></p> <p><math>m_h = 125.0</math></p> <p><math>m_{H^\pm} = 1003.0</math></p> <p><math>m_H = 1000.0</math></p>	<p><math>\chi_1^\pm \rightarrow \chi_1^0 W^\pm</math></p> <p><math>\chi_2^0 \rightarrow \chi_1^0 h</math></p>	<p>100%</p> <p>93.5%</p>
<p>BP3</p> <p><math>pp \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1^*</math></p> <p>(Cross-section: 200 fb)</p>	<p><math>M_1 = 500, M_2 = 1000</math></p> <p><math>\mu = 1000, m_{\tilde{t}_R} = 625</math></p>	<p><math>m_{\tilde{t}_1} = 609.3</math></p> <p><math>m_{\chi_1^0} = 498.1</math></p> <p><math>m_h = 125.0</math></p> <p><math>m_{H^\pm} = 1003.0</math></p> <p><math>m_H = 1000.0</math></p>	<p><math>\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow \chi_1^0 b W^+</math></p>	<p>99.9%</p>



# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: $hh(+X)$

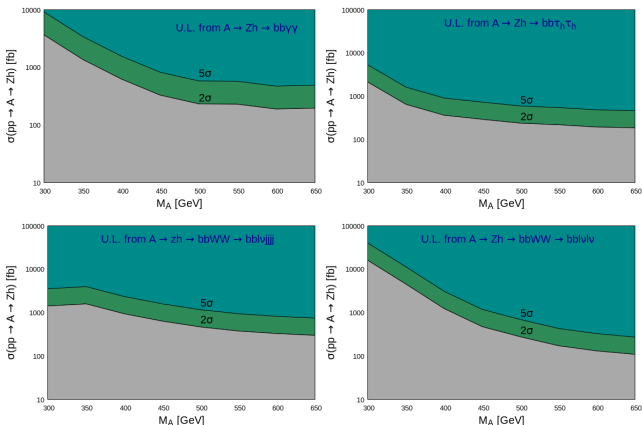
- LHC already imposed strong constraints on first and second generation squark masses ( $\geq \mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$ )
- Squark pair production  $\tilde{q}_L \tilde{q}_L$ ,  $\tilde{q}_L \tilde{q}_L^*$ ,  $\tilde{q}_L^* \tilde{q}_L^*$  (BP1)
- Final state:  $hh + \cancel{E}_T + \text{jets}$ ; From BP1, cross-section  $\sim 10.8 \text{ fb} \rightarrow$  one-third of SM-expectation; Large  $\cancel{E}_T$ ; Only 0.60 events  $\rightarrow$  not significant



# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: $h(+X)$

- The  $hh(+X)$  modes may contaminate all SM non-resonant di-Higgs channels
- The  $h(+X)$  modes may contaminate some (or all) the SM non-resonant di-Higgs channels
- Looking at excesses in some channels and not others may help us narrow down on the new physics searches
- In 2HDMs, we have  $pp \rightarrow A \rightarrow Zh$  and this may contaminate when  $M_A < 2M_t$  and  $\tan \beta$  is small
- Upper limits on cross-sections contaminating the SM non-resonant di-Higgs signals are weaker

# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: $h(+X)$



- $A \rightarrow Zh$  contaminates the SM signals to a lesser degree; Possible reason: Reconstructed Z-peak is shifted from the reconstructed Higgs peak and  $m_{bb}$  is an important discriminatory variable for all such searches involving a  $b$ -jet pair

# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: $h(+X)$

- Observation of SUSY will depend on its electroweak sector ( $\chi_i^\pm$  and  $\chi_j^0$ s)
- With decoupled Higgs sector, chargino-neutralino production mediated through  $W$  propagator
- $W^\pm \chi^\mp \chi_1^0$  coupling contains both wino and higgsino components  $\rightarrow$  wino components dominate
- CMS and ATLAS searched in the  $3\ell + \cancel{E}_T$  and SFOS  $2\ell + \cancel{E}_T$  for non-generic scenarios with  $\chi_1^\pm$ ,  $\chi_2^0$  dominantly wino-like and degenerate
- Choose BP2 with  $M_2 \ll \mu \rightarrow \chi_1^\pm$  and  $\chi_2^0$  wino-like  $\rightarrow$   
 $\sigma(pp \rightarrow \chi_1^\pm \chi_2^0) \gg \sigma(pp \rightarrow \chi_2^0 \chi_2^0)$
- BP2 marginally outside projected exclusion from ATLAS HL-LHC study

# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: $h(+X)$

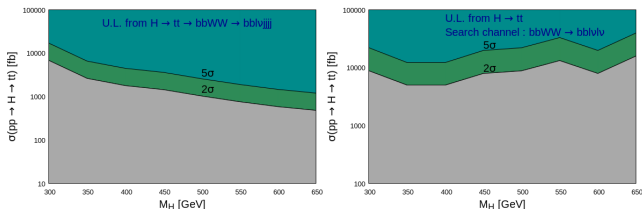
- We get a  $Wh + \cancel{E}_T$  final state with cross-section  $\sim 400$  fb
- Contaminations possible to:  $b\bar{b}WW^* \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell jj + \cancel{E}_T$ ,  $\gamma\gamma WW^* \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\ell jj + \cancel{E}_T$ ,  $4W \rightarrow \ell^\pm\ell^\pm jjjj + \cancel{E}_T$ ,  $3\ell jj + \cancel{E}_T$

Channel	SM background	SM $hh$ production	BP2 contamination
$b\bar{b}\ell jj + \cancel{E}_T$	1103017.13	134.34	382.88
$SS2\ell jj + \cancel{E}_T$	12378.49	11.96	270.31
$3\ell jj + \cancel{E}_T$	5389.46	15.01	291.91

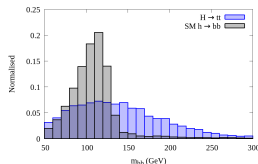
- Large contaminations  $\rightarrow$  calling for carefully treating these channels in the future in case of observance of large number of events  $\rightarrow$  potential new physics contributions

# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: Null Higgs

- $H(A) \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  for  $m_{H(A)} > 2m_t$  may contaminate  $b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$  and  $b\bar{b}WW^*$

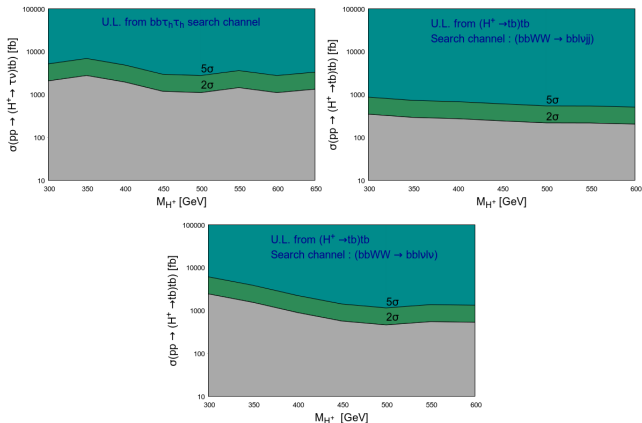


- Weaker bounds because  $m_{b\bar{b}}$  is different for  $t\bar{t}$ ; Require a large production cross-section for heavy resonant scalar in order to contaminate appreciably



# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: Null Higgs

- Charged Higgs production:  $\bar{t}bH^+ / t\bar{b}H^-$  with charged Higgs decaying to  $\tau\nu$  or  $t\bar{b}$  depending on mass of  $m_{H^\pm}$  (Affects low  $\tan\beta$  regions)



# Contaminations to the Higgs pair producing channels: Null Higgs

- For stop masses of  $\mathcal{O}(\text{several hundreds of GeVs})$ ,  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1^*$  may be large
- From BP3,  $\text{BR}(\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b\chi_1^+ \rightarrow bW^+\chi_1^0)$  may be dominant  $\rightarrow 2b + 2W + \cancel{E}_T$
- Potentially contaminate  $b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$  and  $b\bar{b}WW^*$  channels

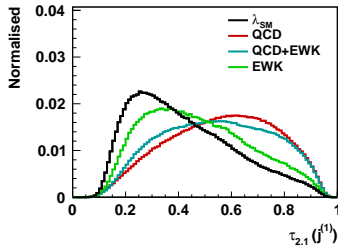
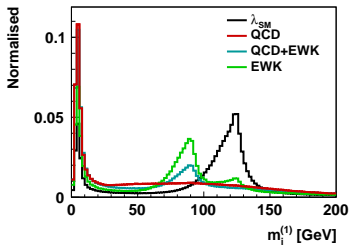
SM background	SM $hh$ production	BP3 contamination
1103017.13	134.34	101.83



# Di-Higgs + jet at a 100 TeV collider ( $jb\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ )

- Major background: pure QCD:  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  (soft and collinear splittings  $\rightarrow$  Resulting fat jets ( $R = 0.8$ ) are one-pronged.
- Signal:  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ; clear two prongs
- Require:  $\tau_{2,1} < 0.35$  and  $100 \text{ GeV} < m_{SD} < 130 \text{ GeV}$

	signal	QCD	QCD+EW	EW	tot. background	$S/B \times 10^3$	$S/\sqrt{B}, 30/\text{ab}$
$\kappa_\lambda = 0.5$	0.094					20.8	7.67
$\kappa_\lambda = 1$	0.085	4.3	0.1	0.003	4.4	19.1	6.61
$\kappa_\lambda = 2$	0.071					16.2	5.85



# Other exotic Higgs decays

- $\gamma\gamma + \cancel{E}_T$  : good potential for a resonance scenario  $\rightarrow$  clean channel, expect  $\sim 135$  events before selection cuts at  $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  for the aforementioned benchmark scenario
- Focus on scenarios where the Higgs decays to a pair of light (pseudo)scalars which in turn decay to fermions or gluons/photons
- Such signatures can be seen in models like 2HDM+S [Peccei, Quinn, 1977], extensions of SM with hidden light gauge bosons [Gopalakrishna *et. al.*, 2008], R-symmetry limit of NMSSM [Cao *et. al.*, 2013], Little Higgs models [Surujon *et. al.*, 2010] to name a few

# Other exotic Higgs decays

- Following [Curtin *et. al.*] some interesting exotic decay modes like  $h \rightarrow XX \rightarrow 4b$  : potential final state  $4b + 2\ell + \cancel{E}_T$  with the other Higgs decaying leptonically ( $WW^*, ZZ^*, \tau\tau$ )  $\rightarrow \mathcal{O}(100)$  events before selection cuts (but including a  $b$ -tagging efficiency of 0.7) for  $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow XX \rightarrow 4b) = 0.1$
- Decays like  $h \rightarrow aa \rightarrow 2b2\tau$  and the other Higgs decaying to  $b\bar{b}$  : interesting  $4b2\tau$  final state
- Decays like  $h \rightarrow aa \rightarrow 4j$  : both jet pairs reconstructable. The other Higgs may decay to  $b\bar{b}$  or leptonically
- Another potential channel :  $h \rightarrow aa \rightarrow 2\gamma 2j$  and a final signature of  $2b2\gamma 2j$

# Other exotic Higgs decays

- With  $\text{BR}_{h \rightarrow 2\gamma + \cancel{E}_T} = 4\%$ , one can expect  $\mathcal{O}(1000)$  events before the selection cuts (with 70%  $b$ -tagging efficiency) in the  $2b2\gamma + \cancel{E}_T$  final state at  $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$
- There are other interesting exotic decay modes which might face strong backgrounds from single Higgs production but may have very less background in di-Higgs
- We leave these for a comprehensive future work