Higgs Couplings Beyond the Standard Model

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- Still, if the Higgs is Standard-like :
 - Derive bounds on extra Physics : competitive with direct search
 - This requires a full recast of the SM Higgs searches

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• This requires a statistical treatment :

 $\mathcal{L}(\text{data}|\text{model}) \rightarrow \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Test Statistic} \\ \chi^2, \ \Delta\chi^2 \end{array} \rightarrow \qquad \text{p-value}$

- p-value \equiv compatibility
 - $p_X > 1 0.68$ model compatible at 1 sigma level
- Choice of the test statistics.

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Valid if statistical errors dominate (But is it still the case?).

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- All necessary information may not be available
- May underestimate correlations
 - Non negligible error comes from estimations of $\varepsilon_{i,1}, \varepsilon_{i,2}...$
 - However, the sum of the exclusive efficiencies if more precise



The errors on each efficiency are correlated

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- But, only available as 2D contours

Useless for more complex models

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• 2D Gaussian approximation

$$\chi^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_{ggh,tth} \\ \mu_{VBF,VH} \end{pmatrix}^{T} V^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_{ggh,tth} \\ \mu_{VBF,VH} \end{pmatrix}$$

See also Belanger et al. arXiv:1212.5244

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What do we gain ?

- Simplifies significantly the data processing (from theory side)
 & keeps part of the correlations.
- Requires that 4 production modes $(gg \rightarrow H, \bar{t}tH, VBF, VH)$ are related to 2 parameters $(\mu_{ggH,ttH}, \mu_{VBF,VH})$
 - If custodial symmetry is preserved, VBF and VH scales identically

$$R_{VBF} = R_{VH}$$

- So far $\bar{t}tH$ production is small, so can be neglected
- Except for $H \rightarrow \overline{b}b$, but then $\overline{gg} \rightarrow H$ does not contribute.
- It yields χ^2 , up to an additive constant.

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- Model independent
 - EFT (Effective Field Theory)
 - Keep SM spectrum (no new particles)
 - Add higher order operators
 - Pros : Accounts for most cases of heavy New Physics

Specialised parametrisation

- Target : New Physics contributing mostly via loop-induced couplings
 - This encompasses many models
 - Extra dimensions
 - Vector-like fermions
 - Top partners



- Keep the number of free parameters small
- Then, for a better description, include also tree-level modifications.

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- Easy interpretation for top partners : $\kappa_{gg} = \kappa_{\gamma\gamma} = f(1/M)$
- Avoids correlations when introducing κ_V , κ_b

Specific realisations

- Benchmark models
 - Extra-dimensional models
 - 5D-UED (🚫)
 - 6D UED (☆)
 - Brane Higgs (▼,♠)
 - Colour octet (
 - Minimal Composite Higgs Model (•)
 - Little Higgs models
 - Littlest Higgs (*)
 - Simplest Little Higgs (▲)
 - 4th generation (
- All models lie on a line, starting at the Standard Model point
 - Except the 4th generation

Constraining New Physics





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Fermiophobic model

- Study the (k_Z, k_W) parameter space of fermiophobic models
 - No couplings to fermions



- Change of the statistical test : χ^2 instead of $\Delta \chi^2$
 - Due to the poor quality of the best fit itself.

Conclusion

• Summary

- The Higgs is certainly a **boon** in constraining New Physics, but how to do so?
- Choice of a parametrisation in-between a specific model and an EFT
 - Keeps few parameters
 - Account for different types of New Physics
- The fit to such a parametrisation should be carried by ATLAS and CMS collaborations
- Until so, one has to rely on some approximations to derive the constraints
- Prospects
 - Compare systematically with bounds from direct searches
 - Include more experimental input (as for $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$)
- Questions ?