# Higgs as a BSM probe

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#### What else can the LHC tells about the Higgs?

Run 2 (and beyond): High Precision Higgs era.

Search for smooth deviations from the SM.

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Interpret the results of these measurements in explicit BSM scenarios to learn about the UV. Eg. SMEFT, SUSY, Composite Higgs, ...

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The goal of pseudo observables is to encode all the experimental information on a given physical process in a few parameters with a well-defined theoretical interpretation.

# **Higgs PO: QFT definition**

Defined from:

#### decomposition of **on-shell amplitudes** (NWA), based on Lorentz invariance, unitarity, and crossing symmetry,



and a momentum expansion (on measurable quantities) based on analytic properties of the amplitudes (physical poles), assuming no new light states in the kinematical regime of interest.

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The kinematics is fixed. No polarisation information is retained. (maybe possible to measure in ττ channel)

the total rate is all that can be extracted from data

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$$\mathcal{A} = i \frac{2m_Z^2}{v_F} (\bar{e}\gamma_{\alpha} e) (\bar{\mu}\gamma_{\beta}\mu) \times \left[ F_L^{e\mu}(q_1^2, q_2^2) g^{\alpha\beta} + F_T^{e\mu}(q_1^2, q_2^2) \frac{q_1 \cdot q_2}{m_Z^2} g^{\alpha\beta} - q_2^{\alpha} q_1^{\beta}}{m_Z^2} + F_{CP}^{e\mu}(q_1^2, q_2^2) \frac{\varepsilon^{\alpha\beta\rho\sigma}q_{2\rho}q_{1\sigma}}{m_Z^2} \right]$$

$$Longitudinal \qquad Transverse \qquad CP-odd$$

Ultimate experimental goal for any of these processes:

measure the double differential distributions in  $(q_1^2, q_2^2)$ 





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Given a maximal value  $q^{2}_{max}$ ,

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**VBF Higgs production** 

# Parameter counting and symmetry assumptions

#### EW decay and production:

Amplitudes	Flavor + CP	Flavor Non Univ.	CPV
$h  ightarrow \gamma\gamma, 2e\gamma, 2\mu\gamma \ 4e, 4\mu, 2e2\mu$	$\begin{array}{c c} \kappa_{ZZ}, \kappa_{Z\gamma}, \kappa_{\gamma\gamma}, \varepsilon_{ZZ} \\ 6 & \varepsilon_{Ze_L}, \varepsilon_{Ze_R} \end{array}$	$\mathbf{\epsilon}_{Z\mu_L}, \mathbf{\epsilon}_{Z\mu_R}$	$\varepsilon_{ZZ}^{CP},\lambda_{Z\gamma}^{CP},\lambda_{\gamma\gamma}^{CP}$
$h \rightarrow 2e2v, 2\mu 2v, ev\mu v$	$4 \begin{array}{c} \kappa_{WW}, \varepsilon_{WW} \\ \epsilon_{Zv_e}, \operatorname{Re}(\varepsilon_{We_L}) \end{array}$	$\varepsilon_{Z\nu_{\mu}}, \operatorname{Re}(\varepsilon_{W\mu_{L}})$ Im $(\varepsilon_{W})$	$\varepsilon_{WW}^{CP}, \operatorname{Im}(\varepsilon_{We_L})$

Higgs (EW) decay amplitudes

#### Higgs (EW) production amplitudes

#### **Test UV symmetries!**

Amplitudes	Flavor + CP	Flavor Non Univ.	CPV
VBF neutral curr. and <i>Zh</i>	$4 \frac{[\kappa_{ZZ}, \kappa_{Z\gamma}, \varepsilon_{ZZ}]}{\varepsilon_{Zu_L}, \varepsilon_{Zu_R}, \varepsilon_{Zd_L}, \varepsilon_{Zd_R}}$	$egin{aligned} m{\mathcal{E}}_{Zc_L}, m{\mathcal{E}}_{Zc_R} \ m{\mathcal{E}}_{Zs_L}, m{\mathcal{E}}_{Zs_R} \end{aligned}$	$\left[ \ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{ZZ}^{CP}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}_{Z\gamma}^{CP} \ \right]$
VBF charged curr. and <i>Wh</i>	$\begin{vmatrix} \kappa_{WW}, \varepsilon_{WW} \\ \kappa_{WW}, \varepsilon_{WW} \end{vmatrix}$ $Re(\varepsilon_{WuL})$	$\operatorname{Re}(\mathcal{E}_{Wc_L})$ Im	$ \operatorname{Im}(\mathcal{E}_{Wu_L}) $ $(\mathcal{E}_{Wc_L})$

#### 15 coefficients for 12 independent processes & lots of differential distributions!!

# **Tool for signal simulation: NLO description**

**Higgs PO** have been implemented in a FeynRules/**UFO model**:

www.physik.uzh.ch/data/HiggsPO/

**Decays:** 





#### **The Linear SM Effective Field Theory**

Integrate out the heavy BSM states. Low energy theory specified by Symmetries & Field content

Assuming h(125) is a SU(2)<sub>L</sub> doublet: (linear) *SMEFT*  $\varphi = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi^+ \\ \varphi^0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v+h(x) \end{pmatrix}$ and
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59 independent dim-6 operators if flavour universality. 2499 parameters for a generic flavour structure.

<sup>[</sup>Grzadkowski et al. 1008.4884, Alonso et al. 1312.2014]

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Combine LEP data with Higgs data to derive stronger constraints for the EFT.

Assuming the strong LEP I constraints ( $\leq 1\%$ ) [Pomarol Riva 2013; Efrati et al. 2015; Berthier, Trott 2015] and MFV, only 10 independent combinations of coefficients contribute at tree-level to Higgs and LEP II (WW) observables.

[Corbett et al. 2013; J. Elias-Miro et al. 2013; Pomarol Riva 2013; Gupta et al 2014; Falkowski 2015]

#### Constraints on TGCs from a Global fit

[Falkowski, Gonzalez-Alonso, Greljo, D.M. PRL 116 (2016) 1, 011801 - arXiv 1508.00581]

![](_page_35_Figure_5.jpeg)

LEP II data alone suffers from a flat direction in the TGC fit. [Falkowski, Riva 1411.0669] +

Higgs data (mainly via VH and VBF production) is sensitive to a different direction. [Falkowski 1505.00046]

Together they provide strong and robust constraints on the TGC.

All other coefficients have been marginalised.

#### **Constraints on the Higgs PO in the linear EFT**

We match the Higgs PO to the SM EFT: relations with LEP observables.

e.g h 
$$\rightarrow 4\ell$$
:  

$$\epsilon_{Zf} = \frac{2m_Z}{v} \left( \delta g^{Zf} - (c_{\theta}^2 T_f^3 + s_{\theta}^2 Y_f) \mathbf{1}_3 \delta g_{1,z} + t_{\theta}^2 Y_f \mathbf{1}_3 \delta \kappa_{\gamma} \right)$$

$$\delta \epsilon_{ZZ} = \delta \epsilon_{\gamma\gamma} + \frac{2}{t_{2\theta}} \delta \epsilon_{Z\gamma} - \frac{1}{c_{\theta}^2} \delta \kappa_{\gamma}$$

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![](_page_38_Figure_1.jpeg)

![](_page_39_Picture_0.jpeg)

# **Higgs PO**

Characterize all the measurable properties of on-shell Higgs boson processes

in a robust and model-independent way.

This information can be fed to specific BSM models, such as **SMEFT**,

which allow us to derive:

- 1) stronger bounds via combination of different processes
- 2) predictions to be tested directly in Higgs physics.

# Backup

 $\epsilon_{Ze_L}, \epsilon_{Ze_R}, \epsilon_{Z\mu_L}, \epsilon_{Z\mu_R}$ 

# LEP-1 Strategy: on-show ------

[hep-ex/0509008; Bardin, Grunewald, Passarino '99]

The goal was to parametrise on-shell Z decays as much model-independently as possible.

![](_page_41_Figure_4.jpeg)

#### **Radiative Corrections in h \rightarrow 4\ell**

The most important radiative corrections are given by soft QED radiation effects since they distort the spectrum.

![](_page_42_Figure_2.jpeg)

Effect described by simple and universal radiator functions *ω*. Also described by showering algorithms (e.g. Pythia, Photos).

 $\frac{d\Gamma_{NLO}}{dm_{01}dm_{02}dx_1dx_2} = \frac{d\Gamma_{LO}}{dm_{01}dm_{02}}\omega(x_1)\omega(x_2)$  $x = \frac{m^2}{m_0^2}$ 

![](_page_42_Figure_5.jpeg)

# **NLO (QCD) corrections in Vh Production**

Dominant NNLO QCD correction in diff. distribution in the SM is known. [Ferrera, Grazzini, Tramontano 1107.1164, 1312.1669, 1407.4747]  $pp \rightarrow ZH @$  13 TeV With ren. and fact. scale  $H_T/2$  $10^{-2}$  $d\sigma/dp_{T,Z}$  [pb/GeV] SHERPA+OPENLOOI the NLO shape effects greatly reduced: SM almost flat NLO correction.  $10^{-3}$ Better convergence of the  $10^{-4}$ perturbative series. LΟ NLO ~ 20% correction  $\mu_0 = H_T/2$  $10^{-5}$ 1.6  $gg \rightarrow Zh$  treated as background 1.4  $d\sigma^{\rm NLO}/d\sigma^{\rm LO}$ (different physical correlation function). 1.2 1 0.8 Effort to disentangle experimentally, 0.6 see template cross sections. 0.4 200 400 500 100 300 0

Leading NLO EW corrections up to ~ -15%: large Sudakov logs  $\rightarrow$  factorize.

[Denner and Pozzorini hep-ph/0010201, hep-ph/0104127, Denner et al. 1112.5142]

 $p_{T,Z}$  [GeV]

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#### **Prospects for PO in EW Higgs production**

![](_page_45_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Validity of the momentum expansion (VBF)

The first check is given by the consistency condition  $\epsilon_{X_f} |q_{\max}^2| \lesssim m_Z^2 g_X^f$ 

Study in detail by considering an explicit NP contribution: Z' coupled to light quarks:

$$F_L(q_1^2, q_2^2)^{ff'} = F_{L,\text{SM}}^{ff'}(q_1^2, q_2^2) - \frac{v}{m_Z}g_H \left[\frac{g_{Z'}^f g_Z^{f'}}{P_{Z'}(q_1^2)P_Z(q_2^2)} + \frac{g_Z^f g_{Z'}^{f'}}{P_Z(q_1^2)P_{Z'}(q_2^2)}\right]$$

We can expand this form factor for  $q^2 \ll M_{Z'}$  and match to the PO.

![](_page_46_Figure_5.jpeg)

#### Heavy & strong

![](_page_46_Figure_7.jpeg)

VBF fit with:

- Full model
- PO (linear)
- PO (quadratic)

![](_page_46_Figure_12.jpeg)

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PO (quadratic) -

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![](_page_47_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_47_Figure_4.jpeg)

 $g_{dR}$