

# Measuring (stuff in) the Higgs Sector

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# Outline

Higgs couplings

Minijet veto

SFitter — Higgs couplings at LHC

Weak boson fusion and supersymmetry

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  - $t\bar{t}H : H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, WW, (b\bar{b})...$
- parameters: couplings  $W, Z, t, b, \tau, g, \gamma$  [plus masses]
- hope: cancel uncertainties
  - $(WBF : H \rightarrow WW)/(WBF : H \rightarrow \tau\tau)$
  - $(WBF : H \rightarrow WW)/(GF : H \rightarrow WW)...$
- goals: Higgs vs. scalars? SM vs MSSM? doublet vs. general Higgs?

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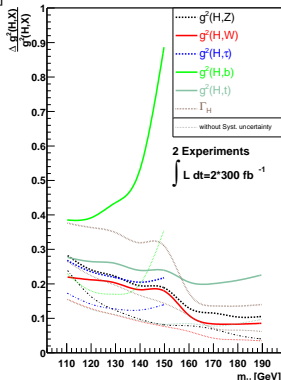
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## Total width

- degeneracy:  $\sigma BR \propto (g_p^2/\sqrt{\Gamma_H}) (g_a^2/\sqrt{\Gamma_H})$
- additional constraint:  $\sum \Gamma_i(g^2) < \Gamma_H \rightarrow \Gamma_H|_{\min}$
- $WW \rightarrow WW$  unitarity:  $g_{WWH} \lesssim g_{WWH}^{\text{SM}} \rightarrow \Gamma_H|_{\max}$
- width extraction hard

$\Rightarrow$  this analysis:  $\Gamma_H = \sum_{\text{obs}} \Gamma_j$



## Before talking measurements...

...remember minijet veto [Barger, Cheung, Han, Zeppenfeld; Rainwater, Szalapski, Zeppenfeld]

- backgrounds for WBF Higgs production
    - $t\bar{t}$  with  $b$  tagging jet
    - $V/VV$  radiation off QCD 2-jet production
    - $V/VV$  radiation off ew 2-jet production
  - signal: color/interference structure [disconnected 2-sided DIS; Han, Valencia, Willenbrock]
  - veto central jets above  $\sim 20 \cdot \cdot \cdot 30$  GeV [survival probabilities between 25% and 90%]
- ⇒ **will work, don't know how well** [or QCD is wrong]

### WBF rate measurement

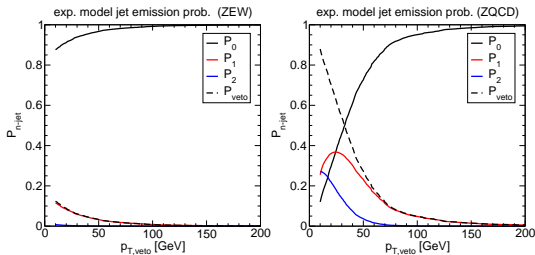
- backbone of Higgs coupling analysis [many channels, clean structure]
  - jet veto not used by experiments, lacking error estimate?
  - straight-forward comparison between Monte Carlos not useful  
QCD simulation problem: recent progress great news
  - large survival probabilities: fixed order [Zeppenfeld and friends]  
small survival probabilities: non-perturbative [jet merging: CKKW, MLM (Madgraph)]  
 $W, Z, t\bar{t}$  backgrounds: measurement [Cranmer et al]
  - gluon-fusion understood? [Andersen, Del Duca, White]
- ⇒ **meaningful error estimate on horizon**

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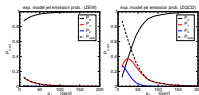
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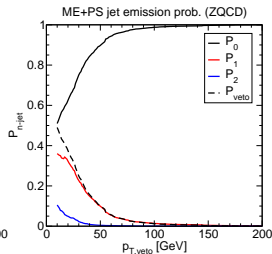
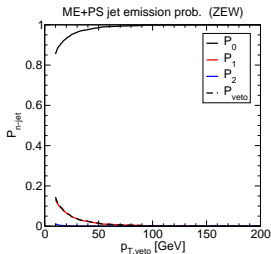
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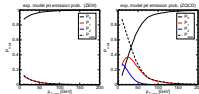


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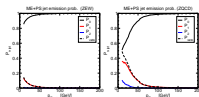
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- ⇒ give us some time, we'll beat the startup, promised



# SFitter — Higgs couplings at LHC

## Parameter extraction [Lafaye, TP, Rauch, Zerwas]

- know-how from TeV-scale MSSM analysis [parameters from edges etc]
- parameters: weak-scale Higgs Lagrangian
- measurements: signal+background rates
- errors: statistics & systematics & theory
- questions: global structure of parameter space, secondary minima  
local structure of best points, error bars  
distributions for fewer parameters, correlations

## Probability maps [Baltz,...; Roszkowski,...; Allanach,...; Fittino; SFitter]

- fully exclusive likelihood map  $p(d|m)$  over model space  $m$
- local and global structure for different hypotheses
- Bayesian:  $p(m|d) \sim p(d|m) p(m)$  with theorists' bias  $p(m)$  [cosmo, BSM]  
frequentist: best-fitting point  $\max_m p(d|m)$  [flavor, here: cooling Markov chains]
- LHC aim: compute high-dimensional map  $p(d|m)$   
find and rank local maxima in  $p(d|m)$   
Bayesian–frequentist dance to reduce dimensions

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## Alternative best-fit points and error bars

- all couplings varied around SM values  $g_{HXX} = g_{HXX}^{\text{SM}} (1 + \delta_{HXX})$
- $\delta_{HXX} \sim -2$  means sign flip [ $g_{HWW} > 0$  fixed, only broken by loops]
- alternative solutions for unsmeared data point

observable	1	2	3	4	5
$\delta_{HWW}$	-0.01	0.25	-0.02	0.23	0.39
$\delta_{HZZ}$	0.00	0.25	0.07	0.38	0.49
$\delta_{H\tau\tau}$	-0.00	0.27	0.08	0.21	0.40
$\delta_{Hbb}$	-2.05	0.61	0.06	-2.67	-3.10
$\delta_{Htt}$	-0.03	0.11	-2.07	-2.10	0.19
$\delta_{H\gamma\gamma}$	-2.07	-2.55	-0.48	-0.58	-2.83
$\delta_{Hgg}$	-0.13	-2.27	0.22	2.28	-0.13
$\Delta\chi^2/\text{dof}$	0	0.1175	0.342	0.4454	0.7331

- error bars for Standard Model hypothesis [smeared data point, no effective couplings]

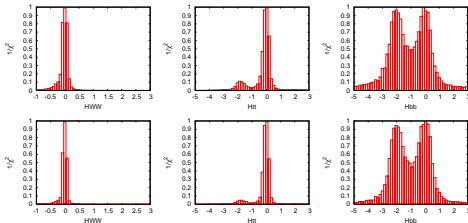
observable	central	error	
$\delta_{HWW}$	-0.18	- 0.22	+ 0.44
$\delta_{HZZ}$	-0.31	- 0.74	+ 0.81
$\delta_{Htt}$	-0.09	- 0.32	+ 0.48
$\delta_{Hbb}$	-0.13	- 0.56	+ 0.76
$\delta_{H\tau\tau}$	-0.11	- 0.24	+ 0.53
$m_H$	120.00	- 0.27	+ 0.25
$\chi^2/\text{dof}$	19.09/10		

⇒ brand new results, only to show it can be done

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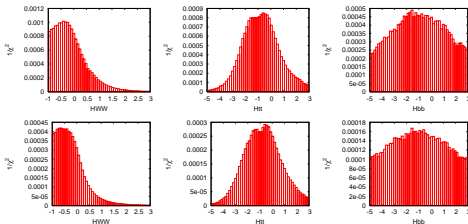


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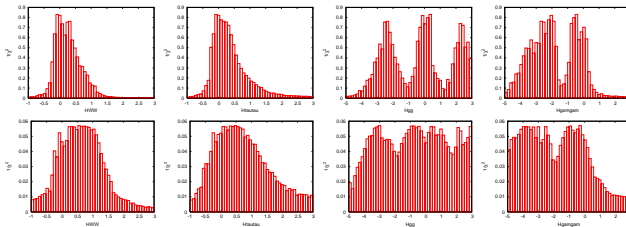
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## More on error estimates

- technical complication: fit to true or smeared data point
- ideally numerical propagation using toy data sets
- comparison between true and smeared data point

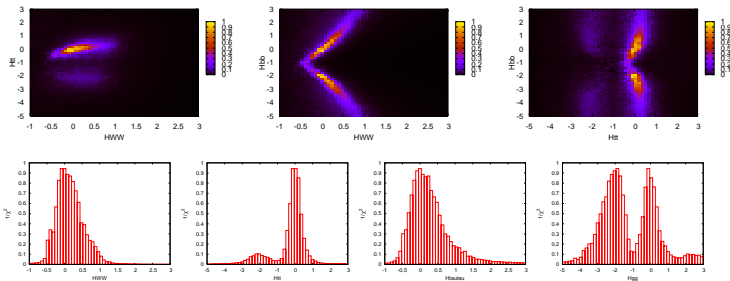


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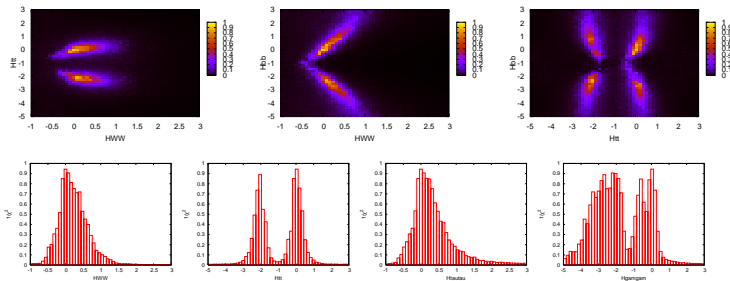
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- (2) profile likelihoods, including effective  $g_{H\gamma\gamma}$ 
  - correlation of  $g_{Htt}$  and  $g_{HWW}$  on both branches
  - still correlation of  $g_{Hbb}$  and  $g_{HWW}$  [width]
  - effective coupling  $g_{H\gamma\gamma}$  more noisy



⇒ two-dimensional correlations useful

# Weak boson fusion and supersymmetry

## Higgs analysis beyond the Standard Model

- (1) extension of Higgs analysis to BSM scenarios  
example: comparison SM-MSSM
  - (2) help with MSSM parameters [SFitter+Higgs]
    - hypothesis determining theory error
    - known particles: corrections included  
new particles: theory error
    - general: heavy additional states at one loop  
example: MSSM sectors Higgs–weak–strong
- ⇒ **study required for BSM-Higgs analysis**

## Technical questions [Hollik, TP, Rauch, Rzehak]

- vertex corrections dominant? [Djouadi & Spira]
  - which one larger: QCD vs EW? [similar for Standard Model: Ciccolini, Denner, Dittmaier]
  - corrections from Higgs sector? [renormalization scheme/higher orders]
  - general phase space generator?
  - Germans: show we can do 52504 diagrams [Hadcalc: automatized IR-finite one-loop 2 → 3]
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	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma(\text{ud} \rightarrow \text{udh})$	$(\sigma_{\alpha_{\text{eff}}} - \sigma_{\text{full}})/\sigma$
effective theory		
$\alpha_{\text{eff}}$	–0.389 %	–0.122 %
full	–0.266 %	
Feynman diagrams		
$\alpha_{\text{eff}}$	–0.393 %	–0.076 %
full	–0.317 %	
Feynman diagrams, loop-improved $Z_{\text{FH}}$		
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## SUSY corrections

- QCD corrections suppressed:  
color flow and forward jets [no interference, like SM]  
mass suppression of one-loop  $q_L q_L W$  vertex [ $m_g/m_{\tilde{g}}$ ]  
up-down cancellation in one-loop  $duWh$  vertex [ $T_3 - Q_S^2 = -1/3, +5/16$ ]
- electroweak corrections as expected

diagram	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ [%]	diagram	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ [%]
$\Delta\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha)$		$\Delta\sigma \sim \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$	
self energies	0.199		
$qqW + qqZ$	-0.392	$qqW + qqZ$	-0.0148
$qqh$	-0.0260	$qqh$	0.00545
$WW^h + ZZ^h$	-0.329		
box	0.0785	box	-0.00518
pentagon	0.000522	pentagon	-0.000308

$\Rightarrow$  **electroweak corrections dominant**

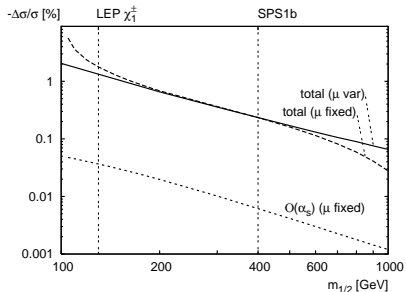
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## SUSY corrections

- SPS1b with variable mass scale  $m_{1/2}$
  - squark/gluino masses from LHC not helpful
  - perfect decoupling at one loop
  - typical corrections around 1%
- $\Rightarrow$  **maximum corrections below 4%**



# Outlook

## Higgs measurements at the LHC

- relevance undisputed [talks by C. Grojean, K. Jakobs, D. Zeppenfeld,...]
  - QCD analysis of minijet veto
  - Bayesian/likelihood parameter extraction
  - extension to BSM scenarios
  - some analyses still missing [more SLHC?]
- ⇒ many new studies, all work in progress...

Thank you to the Grid for shutting down over the holidays, so all preliminary...

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