

Higgs width and coupling constraints from the high-mass $H \rightarrow VV$ process

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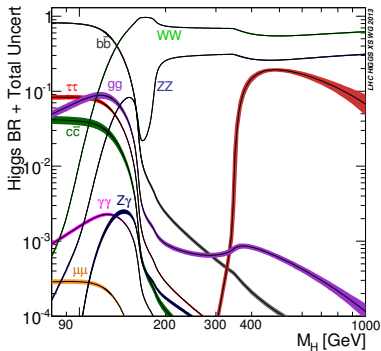
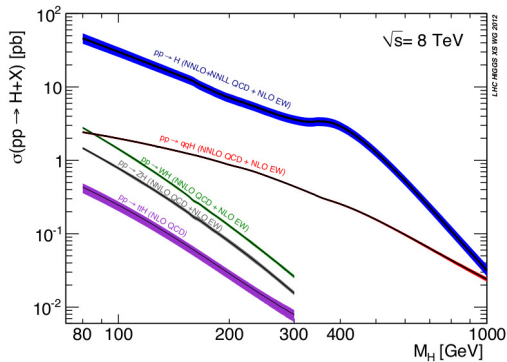
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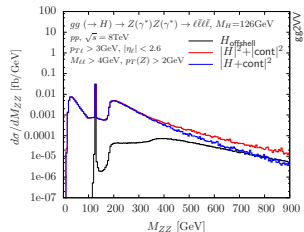
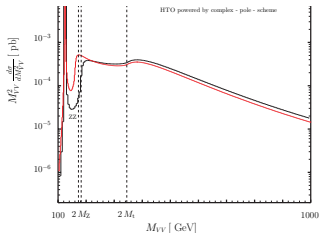
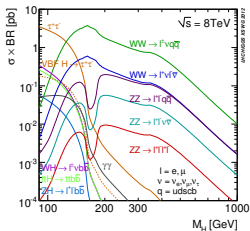
Outline

- $H \rightarrow ZZ, WW$ in ggF & VBF: sizeable off-shell Higgs signal contribution with large signal-bkg. interference
- $H \rightarrow WW/ZZ \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}_\ell\bar{\nu}_\ell$ and $ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ interference in ggF
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- Interference for $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ + \text{jet}$
- Precision predictions for $gg (\rightarrow H) \rightarrow VV$ interference/bkg.
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- Higgs width constraints from $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
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- Higgs width/coupling constraints including LEP EW PO
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SM Higgs boson production and decay at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ, WW$: sizeable off-shell Higgs signal with large signal-background interference



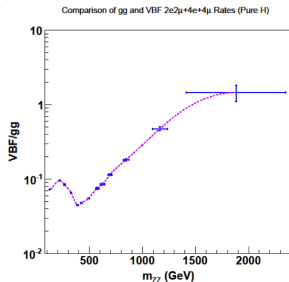
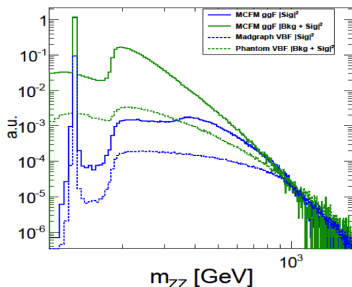
- $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow VV \rightarrow 4\ell$ and $2\ell 2\nu$ signal-background interference very well studied at LO:

Glover, van der Bij (1989); Kao, Dicus (1991); Binoth, Ciccolini, NK, Krämer (2006) ($gg2WW$); Campbell, Ellis, Williams (2011) (MCFM); NK (2012) ($gg2VV$); NK, Passarino (2012); Campanario, Li, Rauch, Spira (2012); Bonvini, Caola, Forte, Melnikov, Ridolfi (2013); Caola, Melnikov (2013); NK (2013) ($gg2VV$); Campbell, Ellis, Williams (2013) (MCFM); Campbell, Ellis, Williams (2014) (MCFM); Campbell, Ellis, Furlan, Röntsch (2014); related interference effects: Bredenstein, Denner, Dittmaier, Weber (2006) (PROPHECY4f); YR3: Denner, Dittmaier, Mück (2013) and Anderson, Bolognesi, Caola, Gao, Gritsan, Martin, Melnikov, Schulze, Tran, Whitbeck, Zhou (2013); Chen, Cheng, Gainer, Korytov, Matchev, Milenovic, Mitselmakher, Park, Rinkevicius, Snowball (2013); Chen, Vega-Morales (2013)

- tools for ggF : MCFM-6.8, $gg2VV$ -3.1.7 ($gg \rightarrow VV$ parton-calculators and LO event generators), MadGraph5, Sherpa+OpenLoops (allows for merging of $gg \rightarrow VV + \{0, 1\}$ jets)
- loop technology closing in on NLO calculation (see below) Karlsruhe, Zurich, FNAL-RWTH, ...
- gluon-fusion Higgs production and semileptonic decay: Dobrescu, Lykken (2010); Lykken, Martin, Winter (2012); Kao, Sayre (2012); ATLAS arXiv:1206.2443; ATLAS arXiv:1206.6074; CMS PAS HIG-13-008

Sizeable off-shell Higgs signal in vector boson fusion

- similar effect in VBF $H \rightarrow VV$ (NK, Passarino): $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ of Higgs signal is off-shell
note: **no exp. sensitivity** to off-shell $H \rightarrow VV$ tail in VH and $t\bar{t}H$ channels (see $\sigma_{\text{prod}}(M_H)$)
- total off-shell Higgs signal has $\sim 10\%$ VBF contribution



Covarelli, Anderson, Sarica

figures taken from Covarelli's talk at LHC HXSWG workshop (12 Jun 2014)

- tools for VBF: MadGraph5 Alwall et al., Phantom Ballestrero et al., VBFNLO Baglio et al., Sherpa+OpenLoops Cascioli et al.

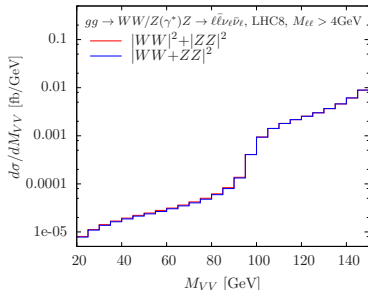
$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW/ZZ \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}_\ell\ell\nu_\ell$ interference (gg2VV)

Integrated cross sections (SM Higgs)

$gg (\rightarrow H) \rightarrow VV \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}_\ell\ell\nu_\ell,$ σ [fb], pp , $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV, $M_H = 126$ GeV, min. cuts, $\mu_R = \mu_F = M_{\ell\bar{\nu}_\ell\ell\nu_\ell}/2$				interference	
VV	H	cont	$ H+\text{cont} ^2$	$R_1=(S+B+)/\langle S+B \rangle$	$R_2=\langle S+I \rangle/S$
WW	17.318(4)	16.925(4)	32.803(8)	0.9580(3)	0.9169(6)
ZZ	0.8822(2)	2.1553(6)	2.872(1)	0.9455(4)	0.813(2)
WW/ZZ	17.402(3)	19.084(4)	34.884(7)	0.9561(3)	0.9079(5)
R_3	0.9562(3)	1.0002(3)	0.9778(3)	$\sigma(WW + ZZ ^2)/\sigma(WW ^2 + ZZ ^2)$	
R_4	0.9540(3)	1.0002(4)	0.9759(4)	$(\sigma(WW ^2) + I_{WW/ZZ})/\sigma(WW ^2)$	
R_6	0.05094(2)	0.12735(5)	0.08756(4)	$\sigma(ZZ ^2)/\sigma(WW ^2)$	

minimal cuts: WW/ZZ interference: **Higgs signal: $\approx 5\%$** , **gg continuum: negligible** NK arXiv:1310.7011

Differential cross sections



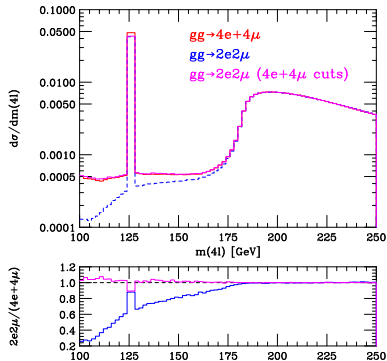
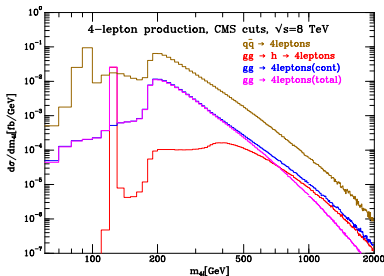
$gg \rightarrow WW/ZZ$ continuum: M_{VV} distribution

$M_{VV} > 95$ GeV: WW/ZZ interference negligible

$M_{VV} < 95$ GeV: WW/ZZ interference of $\approx 5\%$

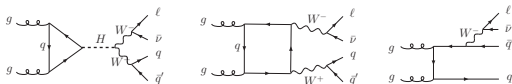
see also: $H \rightarrow WW/ZZ \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}_\ell\ell\nu_\ell$ interference at LO & NLO Mück, Bredenstein, Denner, Dittmaier, Weber YR3 arXiv:1307.1347, Sec. 2.2

$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ interference (MCFM)



Campbell, R.K. Ellis, Williams figures taken from arXiv:1408.1723

Interference for semileptonic H decay modes in ggF



$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_{signal} (\text{LO}) + \mathcal{M}_{background} = \mathcal{M}_{signal} + \mathcal{M}_{loop} + \mathcal{M}_{tree}$$

Notation for amplitude contributions to cross sections:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &\sim |\mathcal{M}_{signal}|^2 \\
 I_{tree} &\sim 2 \operatorname{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{signal}^* \mathcal{M}_{tree}) \\
 I_{loop} &\sim 2 \operatorname{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{signal}^* \mathcal{M}_{loop}) \\
 I_{full} &\sim 2 \operatorname{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{signal}^* \mathcal{M}_{background})
 \end{aligned}$$

\mathcal{M}_{loop} contains all quark loop graphs. (NLO EW corrections to I_{tree} not included.)

relative measure for interf. with bkg. i :

$$R_i = \frac{\sigma(|\mathcal{M}_{signal}|^2 + 2 \operatorname{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{signal}^* \mathcal{M}_i))}{\sigma(|\mathcal{M}_{signal}|^2)}$$

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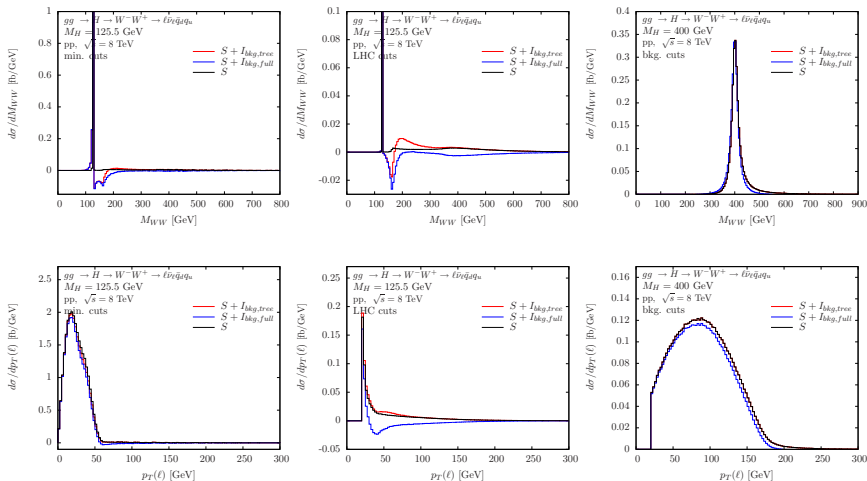
$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}q_u\bar{q}_u$ σ [fb], pp , $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV		interference			ratio		
cuts	S	I_{tree}	I_{loop}	I_{full}	R_{tree}	R_{loop}	R_{full}
min.	1.96(1)	-0.190(4)	-0.343(3)	-0.541(5)	0.903(7)	0.825(7)	0.724(7)
LHC	0.1166(6)	0.017(2)	-0.194(2)	-0.176(6)	1.15(2)	-0.67(2)	-0.51(5)
bkg.	1.342(7)	-0.0012(2)	-0.0882(9)	-0.0892(9)	0.999(7)	0.934(7)	0.934(7)

$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}q_d\bar{q}_d$ σ [fb], pp , $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV		interference			ratio		
cuts	S	I_{tree}	I_{loop}	I_{full}	R_{tree}	R_{loop}	R_{full}
min.	2.51(2)	-0.248(3)	-0.439(6)	-0.680(7)	0.901(7)	0.825(7)	0.729(7)
LHC	0.1497(8)	0.0223(6)	-0.245(5)	-0.227(3)	1.149(9)	-0.64(3)	-0.52(2)
bkg.	1.720(9)	-0.00130(5)	-0.113(1)	-0.114(1)	0.999(7)	0.934(7)	0.934(7)

higher-order background contributions can induce leading interference effects

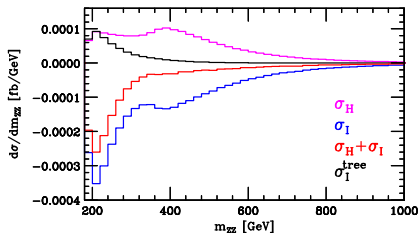
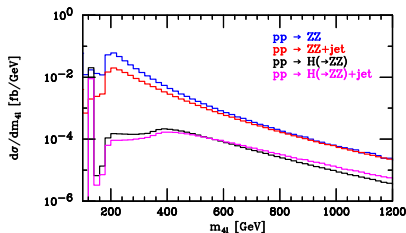
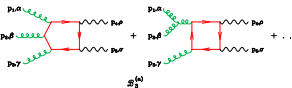
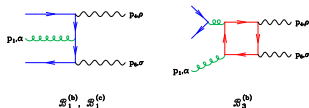
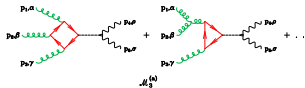
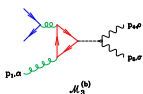
NK, C. O'Brien, E. Vryonidou arXiv:1506.01694 (gg2VV and MG5_aMC@NLO)

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Interference for $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ + \text{jet}$



off-shell Higgs cross sections for ZZ and $ZZ+\text{jet}$ comparable ($p_{Tj} > 30$ GeV)

Campbell, R.K. Ellis, Furlan, Rötsch figures taken from arXiv:1409.1897

Z bosons treated in zero-width approximation (validated for ZZ final state: excellent for $m_{4l} > 300$ GeV)

Precision predictions for $gg (\rightarrow H) \rightarrow VV$ signal-background interference

Signal: $gg \rightarrow H$ cross section at NLO QCD with finite t and b mass effects (important for off-shell Higgs with $M_{VV} \gtrsim 2M_t$: 5–10% correction) (scale uncertainty: 10–15%) [Djouadi, Spira, Zerwas, Graudenz \(1991-1995\)](#); N³LO in soft expansion with $M_t \rightarrow \infty$ (scale uncertainty \approx 3%) [C. Anastasiou, C. Duhr, F. Dulat, F. Herzog, B. Mistlberger](#) arXiv:1503.06056; NLO EW corrections important for off-shell Higgs (8% at $M_{VV} \sim 500$ GeV) [A. Bredenstein, A. Denner, S. Dittmaier, M. Weber](#) arXiv:hep-ph/0604011 (also arXiv:1111.6395)

Background: $pp \rightarrow ZZ$ and $pp \rightarrow WW$ at NNLO QCD with massless quarks (scale uncertainty \approx 3%), [F. Cascioli, T. Gehrmann, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, P. Maierhofer, A. von Manteuffel, S. Pozzorini, D. Rathlev, L. Tancredi, E. Weihs](#) arXiv:1405.2219 and [T. Gehrmann, M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, P. Maierhofer, A. von Manteuffel, S. Pozzorini, D. Rathlev, L. Tancredi](#) arXiv:1408.5243

$gg \rightarrow VV$ enters $pp \rightarrow VV$ at NNLO QCD \rightarrow LO (loop-induced) with \sim 20–25% scale uncertainty, **unknown NLO K -factor**, but expected to be similar to signal, i.e. \sim 1.6

11–17% (9–12%) NNLO correction to $pp \rightarrow ZZ$ (WW) for $\sqrt{s} = 7$ –14 TeV

$gg \rightarrow VV$ contributes to full NNLO correction with 60% (35%) for $pp \rightarrow ZZ$ (WW)

\rightarrow NLO $gg \rightarrow VV$ correction is of similar size or larger than residual $pp \rightarrow VV$ scale uncertainty \Rightarrow calculation is important and by a similar argument the calculation of the NLO correction to signal-background interference

Precision predictions for $gg (\rightarrow H) \rightarrow VV$ signal-background interference

Work towards $gg (\rightarrow H) \rightarrow VV$ signal-background interference and $gg \rightarrow VV$ continuum background [beyond leading order](#):

M. Bonvini, F. Caola, S. Forte, K. Melnikov, G. Ridolfi [arXiv:1304.3053](#):

NLO and NNLO calculation for $gg (\rightarrow H) \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$ interference with $M_H = 600$ GeV in [soft-gluon approximation](#) (very good accuracy for inclusive signal cross section)

\rightarrow interference K -factors are generally very similar to signal K -factors (also for kinematic distributions)

C. Li, H. Li, D. Shao, J. Wang [arXiv:1504.02388](#):

[Soft gluon resummation](#) to all orders for $gg (\rightarrow H) \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \ell\ell'\ell'$ interference, 100 GeV $< M_{ZZ} < 1000$ GeV, effects signal like

Technical bottleneck for unapproximated $gg \rightarrow VV$ calc. at NLO: [two-loop virtual corrections](#)

Two-loop $gg \rightarrow VV \rightarrow 4$ leptons amplitudes with [massless quarks](#) calculated by two groups:

F. Caola, J. Henn, K. Melnikov, A. Smirnov, V. Smirnov [arXiv:1503.08759](#)

A. v. Manteuffel, L. Tancredi [arXiv:1503.08835](#)

Calculation of NLO $gg \rightarrow ZZ$ cross section in model where Z bosons only couple to t quarks in [\$s/M_t^2\$ expansion](#) (LO) yields K -factor of 1.5–2 for 180 GeV $< M_{ZZ} < 340$ GeV (LO QCD comparison with exact M_t : $M_t \rightarrow \infty$ poor for $M_{ZZ} \gtrsim 300$ GeV)

K. Melnikov, M. Dowling [arXiv:1503.01274](#)

Higgs width measurement in a nutshell

- Total Higgs width Γ_H is not a fundamental parameter of the theory, but of great phenomenological interest (Higgs mechanism \rightarrow overall coupling strength)
- Direct Higgs width measurement via resonance shape is limited at LHC by **experimental mass resolution of $\mathcal{O}(1)$ GeV** (CMS: $\Gamma_H < 2.4$ GeV, but note that $\Gamma_{H,SM} \approx 4$ MeV)
- All resonant Higgs cross sections depend on Γ_H , therefore Γ_H and couplings cannot be determined at the LHC (on-peak) without theoretical assumptions [M. Duhrssen et al. \(2004\)](#), [LHC Higgs Cross Section WG \(2012\)](#)
- For broad class of models, assuming upper limit for HW or HZZ coupling (e.g. SM) \rightarrow upper bound for Γ_H ($\Gamma_H = \mathcal{O}(\Gamma_{H,SM})$) [M. Peskin \(2012\)](#); [B. Dobrescu, J. Lykken \(2013\)](#)
- Assuming no BSM Higgs decays, and Higgs coupling parameterisations, can fit Higgs width to data and agreement with SM Higgs width is found [V. Barger, M. Ishida, W. Keung \(2012\)](#); [K. Cheung, J. Lee, P. Tseng \(2013\)](#); [J. Ellis, T. You \(2013\)](#); [A. Djouadi, G. Moreau \(2013\)](#); [P. Bechtle, S. Heinemeyer, O. Stal, T. Stefaniak, G. Weiglein \(2014\)](#)
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow Z(H \rightarrow \text{all})$: construct recoil mass and measure HZZ coupling $\rightarrow \Gamma_H$ can be determined indirectly, ILC: 6%–11% accuracy [M. Peskin \(2013\)](#), [T. Han et al. \(2013\)](#)
- Direct threshold scan at muon collider: Γ_H accuracy 4%–9% [T. Han, Z. Liu \(2013\)](#)
- **Higgs width determination could provide first evidence for BSM Higgs interactions**

Off-shell Higgs signal and Higgs width determination

indirect Higgs width determination via on- and off-peak Higgs cross section

F. Caola, K. Melnikov (2013) arXiv:1307.4935

$$|\mathcal{M}_{i \rightarrow H \rightarrow f}|^2 = \frac{|\mathcal{M}_i|^2 |\mathcal{M}_f|^2}{|p_H^2 - M_H^2 + i M_H \Gamma_H|^2}$$

resonance contribution to signal cross section ("on-peak"):

$$\sigma_{i \rightarrow H \rightarrow f} \stackrel{\text{NWA}}{\propto} \frac{g_i^2 g_f^2}{\Gamma_H}$$

NWA scaling degeneracy: σ unchanged if

$$g_i \rightarrow \xi g_i, \quad g_f \rightarrow \xi g_f, \quad \Gamma_H \rightarrow \xi^4 \Gamma_H$$

cf. L. Dixon, Y. Li arXiv:1305.3854 (see below)

$$\sqrt{p_H^2 - M_H} \gg \mathcal{O}(\Gamma_H) \rightarrow p_H^2 - M_H^2 \gg M_H \Gamma_H \rightarrow |\mathcal{M}_{i \rightarrow H \rightarrow f}|^2 \approx \frac{|\mathcal{M}_i|^2 |\mathcal{M}_f|^2}{|p_H^2 - M_H^2|^2}$$

off-resonance contribution ("off-peak"):

$$\sigma_{i \rightarrow H \rightarrow f} \left(\sqrt{p_H^2 - M_H} \gg \mathcal{O}(\Gamma_H) \right) \propto g_i^2 g_f^2$$

sizeable off-resonance contribution to signal cross section is independent of Higgs width, and therefore "breaks" NWA scaling degeneracy: $\sigma_{\text{off-peak}} / \sigma_{\text{on-peak}} \propto \Gamma_H$

competitive constraints on Higgs width without assumptions(?) feasible with LHC data

large interference with cont. background (necessary to prevent unitarity violation) weakens bounds

MCFM analysis

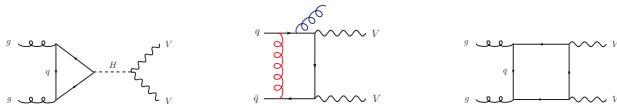
J. Campbell, K. Ellis, C. Williams (2013) (update of Caola-Melnikov analysis)

CMS Higgs selection cuts are applied:

$p_{T\ell 1} > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $p_{T\ell 2} > 10 \text{ GeV}$, $p_{Te} > 7 \text{ GeV}$, $p_{T\mu} > 5 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta_{\mu}| < 2.4$, $|\eta_e| < 2.5$, $M_{\ell\bar{\ell}} > 4 \text{ GeV}$,
 $M_{4\ell} > 100 \text{ GeV}$, $40 \text{ GeV} < M_{\ell\bar{\ell}, \text{closest}} < 120 \text{ GeV}$, $12 \text{ GeV} < M_{\ell\bar{\ell}, \text{other}} < 120 \text{ GeV}$ (relative to M_Z)

Best prediction cross sections for $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow e^-e^+\mu^-\mu^+$ in fb, obtained using the running scale $m_{4\ell}/2$:

Energy	PDF	σ_{peak}^H	$m_{4\ell} > 130 \text{ GeV}$		$m_{4\ell} > 300 \text{ GeV}$	
			σ_{off}^H	σ_{off}^I	σ_{off}^H	σ_{off}^I
7 TeV	MSTW	0.203	0.025	-0.053	0.017	-0.025
	CTEQ	0.192	0.021	-0.047	0.015	-0.021
8 TeV	MSTW	0.255	0.034	-0.073	0.025	-0.036
	CTEQ	0.243	0.031	-0.065	0.022	-0.031
13 TeV	MSTW	0.554	0.108	-0.215	0.085	-0.122
	CTEQ	0.530	0.100	-0.199	0.077	-0.111



MCFM analysis

Higgs width bounds from matrix element method ($H \rightarrow ZZ$)

Matrix element method: **optimize** discrimination using **fully differential information**

Associate **probabilistic weight** with each **event**:

$$P(\phi) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \sum_{i,j} \int dx_1 dx_2 \delta(x_1 x_2 s - Q^2) f_i(x_1) f_j(x_2) \hat{\sigma}_{ij}(x_1, x_2, \phi)$$

$P_{q\bar{q}}$: $q\bar{q}$ induced continuum background

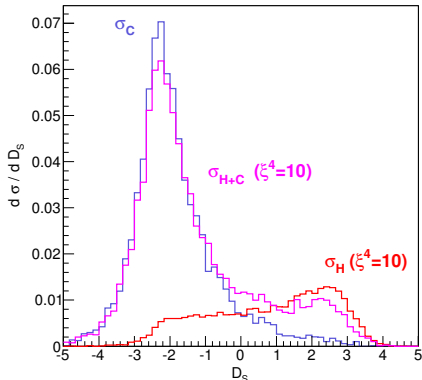
P_{gg} : gg induced contributions
(incl. Higgs signal, cont. bkg. & interf.)

P_H : gg induced Higgs amplitude squared

Discriminant:

$$D_S = \log \left(\frac{P_H}{P_{gg} + P_{q\bar{q}}} \right)$$

$$\Gamma_H < (15.7_{+3.9}^{-2.9}) \Gamma_H^{SM} \text{ (95\% CL), } (D_S > 1)$$

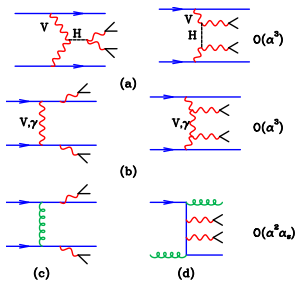
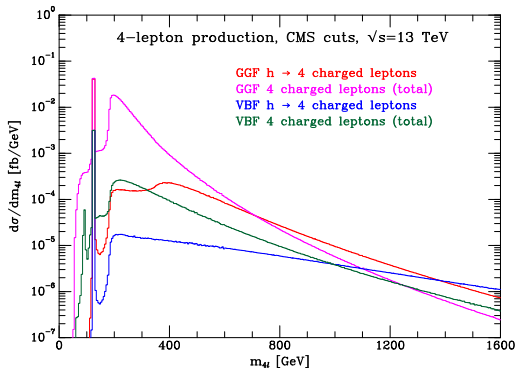


bound $1.6 \times$ better than for $m_{4\ell} > 300$ GeV

Higgs (width) constraints from vector boson fusion

J.M. Campbell, R.K. Ellis, arXiv:1502.02990

(see also C. Englert, M. Spannowsky arXiv:1405.0285, C. Englert, M. McCullough, M. Spannowsky arXiv:1504.02458)



most sensitive off-sh. channel: $W^\pm W^\pm$
due to lower bkg. (t -channel Higgs!)

$$\Gamma_H < 61 \Gamma_H^{SM} \quad (\text{LHC Run 1})$$

$$\Gamma_H < 4.4 \Gamma_H^{SM} \quad (\text{LHC } 100 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ data})$$

$$\Gamma_H < 3.2 \Gamma_H^{SM} \quad (\text{LHC } 300 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ data})$$

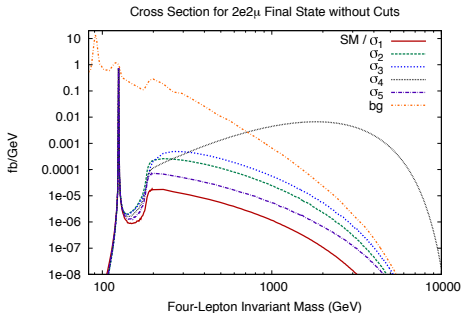
BSM searches and model builder's considerations

Constraining higher dimensional operators with the off-shell Higgs (see below)

Disentangling New Physics with the off-shell Higgs boson

EFT studies including the off-shell Higgs boson

Limitations of model independence



$$\mathcal{O}_1 = -\frac{M_Z^2}{v} H Z_\mu Z^\mu \text{ (SM)}, \quad \mathcal{O}_2 = -\frac{1}{2v} H Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathcal{O}_3 = -\frac{1}{2v} H Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}^{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathcal{O}_4 = \frac{M_Z^2}{M_H^2 v} Z_\mu Z^\mu \partial^2 H,$$

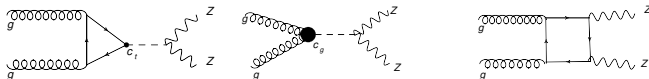
$$\mathcal{O}_5 = \frac{2}{v} H Z_\mu \partial^2 Z^\mu \quad \text{J. Gainer, J. Lykken, K. Matchev, S. Mrenna, M. Park arXiv:1403.4951}$$

Also: [modification of lepton angular distributions](#) \rightarrow good control with 300 fb^{-1} [I. Anderson et al. arXiv:1309.4819](#)

EFT analysis of on- and off-shell $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ data

A. Azatov, C. Grojean, A. Paul, E. Salvioni (2014)

(see also G. Cacciapaglia, A. Deandrea, G. Drieu La Rochelle, J. Flament (PRL 2014))

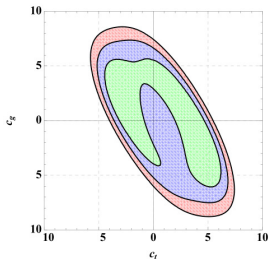


$$\mathcal{L} = -c_t \frac{m_t}{v} \bar{t} t h + \frac{g_s^2}{48\pi^2} c_g \frac{h}{v} G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}$$

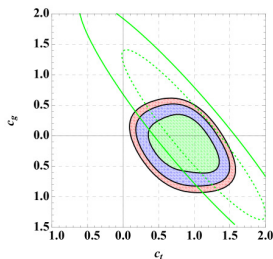
$$\mathcal{M}_{gg \rightarrow ZZ} = \mathcal{M}_h + \mathcal{M}_{bkg} = c_t \mathcal{M}_{c_t} + c_g \mathcal{M}_{c_g} + \mathcal{M}_{bkg}$$

$\sigma \sim |c_t + c_g|^2$: on-shell degeneracy $c_t + c_g = \text{const}$ is broken by **far-off-shell data**

Constraints in (c_t, c_g) plane (68%, 95% and 99% probability contours): (not MELA improved!)

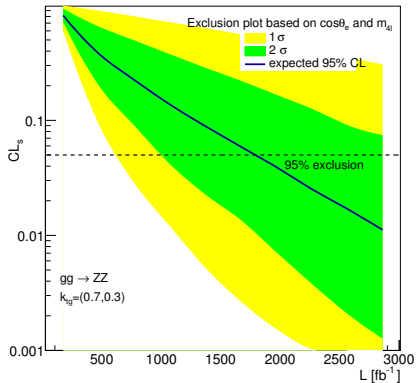
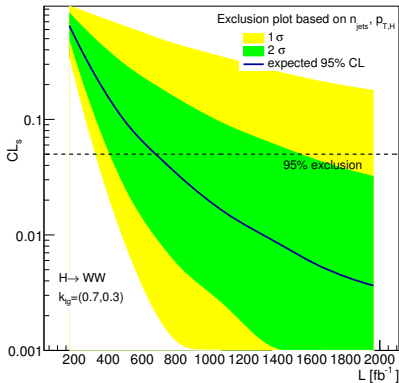


LHC 8 TeV CMS data



LHC 14 TeV 3 ab^{-1} data

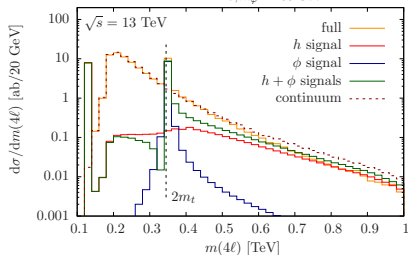
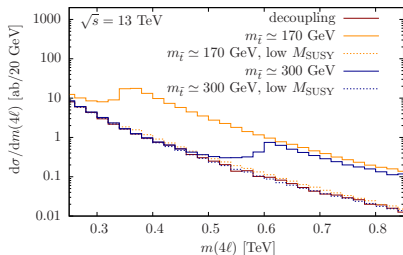
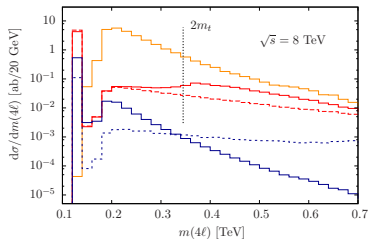
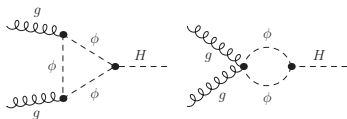
Effective ggH coupling: boosted v. off-shell Higgs sensitivity



left: boosted analysis, right: off-shell analysis (not MELA improved)

M. Buschmann, D. Goncalves, S. Kuttimalai, M. Schoenherr, F. Krauss, T. Plehn (2014) (1410.5806)

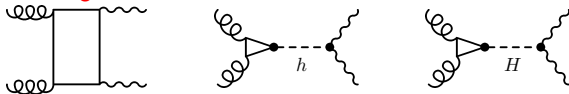
BSM benchmark scenario studies



C. Englert, M. Spannowsky arXiv:1405.0285,1410.5440

Loophole: additional light scalar in the s -channel

[H.E. Logan, 1412.7577]



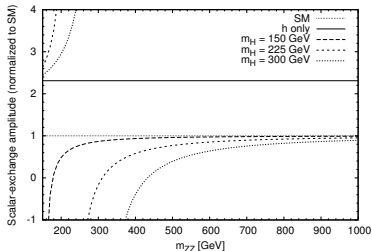
SM: h cancels growth $\propto E/v$ of $t\bar{t} \rightarrow ZZ$ amplitude.

Modified h couplings: cancellation imperfect; growth of amplitude with E provides LHC sensitivity at high m_{ZZ} !

Extended Higgs sector: Require $\kappa_t^h \kappa_Z^h + \kappa_t^H \kappa_Z^H = 1$ for unitarity of $t\bar{t} \rightarrow ZZ$ (automatic in renormalizable models): $\kappa_t^h \kappa_Z^h = 1 + \Delta > 1$, $\kappa_t^H \kappa_Z^H = -\Delta$

Amplitude relative to SM:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathcal{M}_h + \mathcal{M}_H}{\mathcal{M}_{h_{SM}}} &= (1 + \Delta) - \Delta \frac{p^2 - m_h^2}{p^2 - m_H^2} \\ &\simeq 1 - \Delta \frac{(m_H^2 - m_h^2)}{p^2} \\ &\rightarrow 1 \text{ for } p^2 \gg m_{h,H}^2 \end{aligned}$$

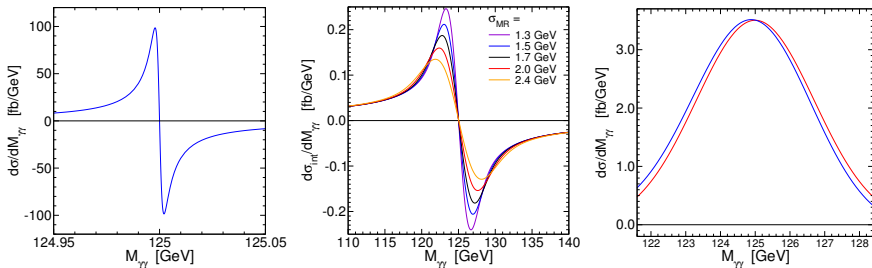


Presence of H at low mass (well below 350 GeV) causes $gg \rightarrow ZZ$ cross section to be SM-like at high m_{ZZ} , even if $\kappa_t^h \kappa_Z^h$ is strongly non-SM-like.

Higgs width via interferometry in $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

S. Martin arXiv:1208.1533 (LO analysis of Higgs mass peak shift)

Higgs signal continuum background interference induces sizeable peak shift in $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (but negligible in $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ^*$)



left fig.: interference contribution (real term) before detector resolution effects

center fig.: interference contribution (real term) for different mass resolutions (Gaussian, σ_{MR})

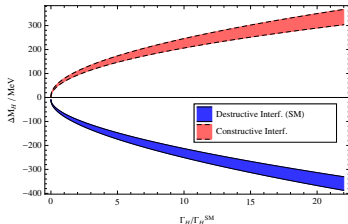
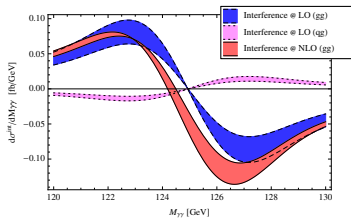
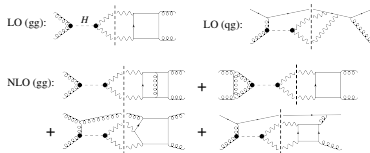
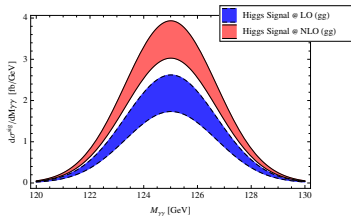
right fig.: peak shift of invariant mass distribution ($\sigma_{MR} = 1.7$ GeV): $\Delta M_{\gamma\gamma} = -120$ MeV at LO

($H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)+jet at LO: negligible mass peak shift (< 20 MeV for $p_{Tj} > 25$ GeV)

Daniel de Florian, et al. arXiv:1303.1397; S. Martin arXiv:1303.3342

Higgs width via interferometry in $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

L. Dixon, Y. Li arXiv:1305.3854 (NLO analysis and Higgs width constraint)



SM mass shift: $\Delta M_{\gamma\gamma} = -70$ MeV at NLO

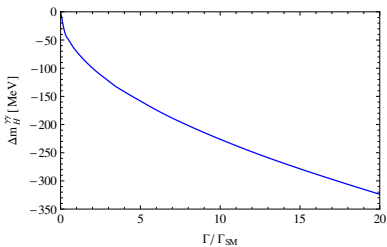
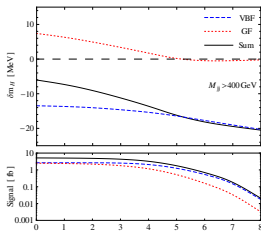
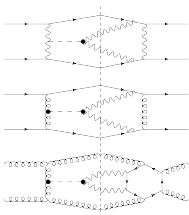
Vary Higgs width and couplings (maintaining on-peak SM signal strengths):

$$\Gamma_H < 15 \Gamma_H^{SM} \quad (14 \text{ TeV}, 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}, 95\% \text{ CL})$$

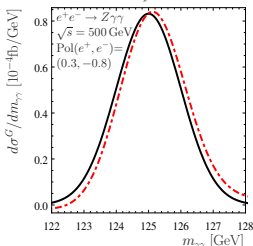
Higgs width via interferometry in $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ with VBF $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ mass peak as reference

Calculation of $pp \rightarrow H (\rightarrow \gamma\gamma) + 2$ jets signal (VBF and GF) and interference with background (LO)

F. Coradeschi, D. de Florian, L. Dixon, N. Fianza, S. Hoeche, H. Ita, Y. Li, J. Mazzitelli arXiv:1504.05215



$$\Delta m_H^{\gamma\gamma} \equiv \delta m_{H+X, \text{NLO, incl}}^{\gamma\gamma} - \delta m_{H+2j, \text{LO, VBF cuts}}^{\gamma\gamma}$$

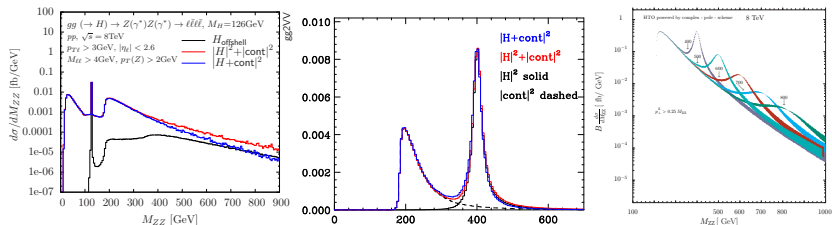


LC: $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ mass peak shift [S. Liebler arXiv:1503.07830](#)

Heavy Higgs - light Higgs - continuum VV interference

consider a heavy Higgs h_2 (signal) in addition to a light Higgs h_1 at 125 GeV (background)

Two-Higgs model: SM & real EW singlet scalar, as defined in YR3 arXiv:1307.1347, Sec. 13.3

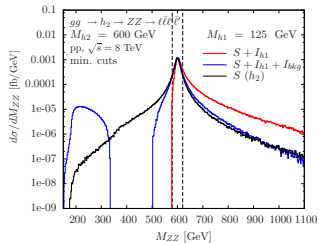
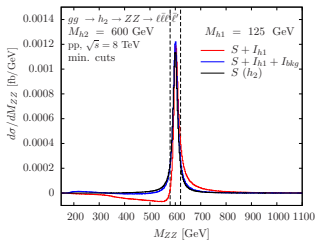


right fig.: G. Passarino (arXiv:1206.3824)

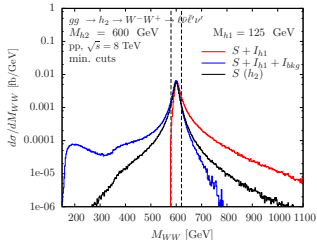
What is the impact of **interference with the offshell tail** of the 125 GeV Higgs for a **heavy Higgs of 300, 600 or 900 GeV**?

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &\sim |\mathcal{M}_{h_2}|^2 \\
 I_{h_1} &\sim 2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{h_2}^* \mathcal{M}_{h_1}) \\
 I_{bkg} &\sim 2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{h_2}^* \mathcal{M}_{bkg}) \\
 I_{full} &\sim 2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{h_2}^* (\mathcal{M}_{h_1} + \mathcal{M}_{bkg}))
 \end{aligned}$$

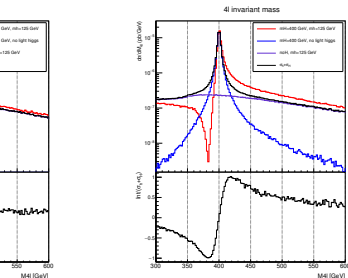
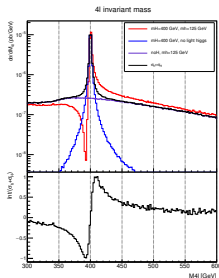
Heavy Higgs - light Higgs - continuum VV interference



NK, C. O'Brien arXiv:1502.04113



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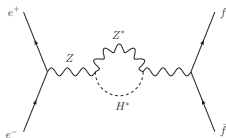


E. Maina arXiv:1501.02139

see also C. Englert, I. Low, M. Spannowsky arXiv:1502.04678 and C. Englert, Y. Soreq, M. Spannowsky arXiv:1410.5440

Higgs width/coupling constraints including LEP EW PO

C. Englert, M. McCullough, M. Spannowksy arXiv:1504.02458



Higgs contribution to Z boson self-energy is **Higgs width independent** (at LO),
but **depends on HZZ coupling**

→ similar characteristics as (tree-level) off-shell Higgs signal

Consider **Peskin-Takeuchi** parameters S, T, U with rescaled HVV couplings ($g = c_V g_{SM}$):

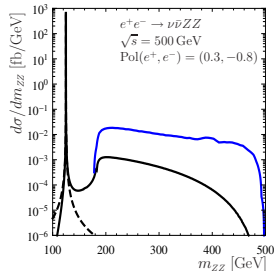
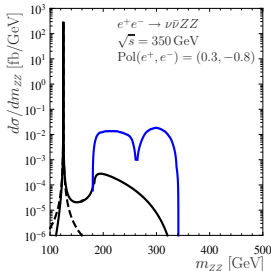
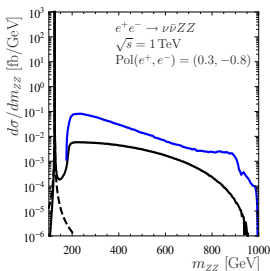
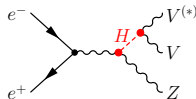
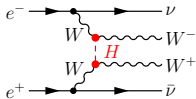
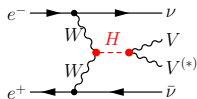
$$s_H(m_H, c_V) = \frac{c_V^2}{\pi M_Z^2} \left(B_{M_Z^2, Z}^{OO} - B_{0, Z}^{OO} - M_Z^2 (B_{M_Z^2, Z}^O - B_{0, Z}^O) \right)$$

$$t_H(m_H, c_V) = \frac{c_V^2}{4\pi M_W^2 S_W^2} \left(B_{0, W}^{OO} - B_{0, Z}^{OO} + M_Z^2 B_{0, Z}^O - M_W^2 B_{0, W}^O \right)$$

$$u_H(m_H, c_V) = \frac{c_V^2}{\pi} \left((B_{M_Z^2, Z}^O - B_{0, Z}^O) - (B_{M_W^2, W}^O - B_{0, W}^O) - \frac{1}{M_Z^2} (B_{M_Z^2, Z}^{OO} - B_{0, Z}^{OO}) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{M_W^2} (B_{M_W^2, W}^{OO} - B_{0, W}^{OO}) \right)$$

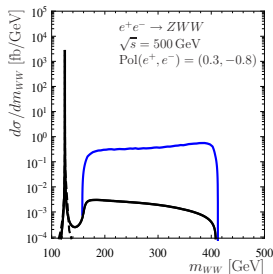
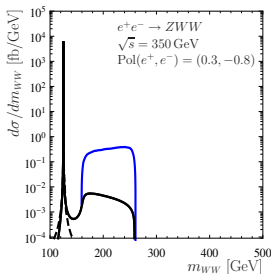
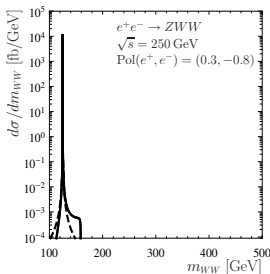
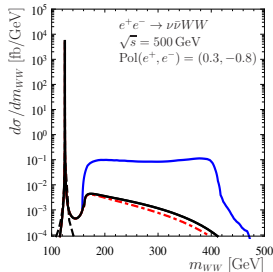
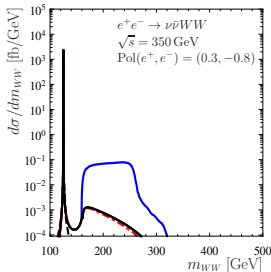
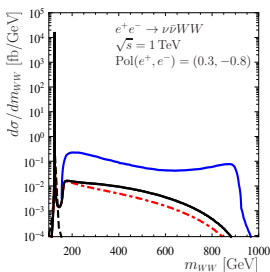
High-mass $H \rightarrow VV$ signal at a linear collider

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Summary

- $H \rightarrow ZZ, WW$ in ggF & VBF @ LHC: $\mathcal{O}(10\%)$ off-shell high-mass Higgs signal contribution with large Higgs(-Higgs)-continuum interference: now taken into account, provides complementary physics information (similar at high-energy linear collider)
- $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ, WW \rightarrow 2\ell 2\ell, 4\ell, 2\ell 2\nu$: interference studied in great detail, tools & events available (caveat: LO); NLO calculation: technically hard, impressive progress
- Semileptonic channels $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\nu qq'$ and $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}q\bar{q}$ contribute to ongoing (heavy) Higgs analyses; first analysis of interference effects in semileptonic channels, new feature: interfering tree-level background
- First analysis of interference (& Higgs width bounds) for $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow ZZ + \text{jet}$
- First analysis of heavy Higgs-light Higgs-bkg. interference effects in $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow VV$, complementary studies for VBF and linear collider
- Direct Higgs width measurement at LHC limited by mass resolution: $\Gamma_H < 600 \Gamma_H^{SM}$
- high-mass Higgs tail not Higgs width dependent \rightarrow provides complementary constraints on Higgs couplings and Higgs width Γ_H (when combined with on-peak data)
- Assuming no E -dependence of relevant Higgs couplings, a bound on Γ_H can be obtained; optimise bound with fully differential discriminant (Matrix Element Method)
- LHC Run 1: ATLAS and CMS Higgs width bounds \rightarrow Roberto Covarelli's talk
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: interference-facilitated bound $\Gamma_H < 15 \Gamma_H^{SM}$ (14 TeV, 3 ab^{-1} , 95% CL)
- LHC Run 2: improved bounds (ggF & VBF), high-mass $H \rightarrow VV$ EFT and BSM benchmark studies