

Higgs Effective Theory to its limits

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{d=5}^{\infty} \sum_{a_d} \frac{C_{a_d}^{(d)}}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \mathcal{O}_{a_d}^{(d)}$$

♣ Minimize theory input

- Model-independence
- Universal computational effort

• Beyond Form Factors:

- Linkable to couplings & scales
- Quantum effects may be included [Freitas & al. \[in progress\]](#)
- Coupling fits may be extended off-shell [Corbett & al. \[1505.05516\]](#)

EFT challenges - the role of scales

BSM Higgs program at the LHC **challenges** the EFT approach

♠ **RELEVANCE** versus **VALIDITY**: *a crucial tradeoff!*

♣ EFT accurate if $E_{\text{phys}} < \Lambda$

♣ EFT relevant if $\Delta_{xxH}(\Lambda) \sim \mathcal{O}(10)\%$ LHC accuracy

$$\left| \frac{\sigma \times \text{BR}}{(\sigma \times \text{BR})_{\text{SM}}} - 1 \right| = \frac{g^2 m_H^2}{\Lambda^2} \gtrsim 0.1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Lambda < \sqrt{10} g m_H \simeq 280 \text{ GeV} \quad , \text{ if } g^2 < 1/2$$

$$\quad \Rightarrow \quad \Lambda \lesssim \sqrt{10} g m_H \simeq 5 \text{ TeV} \quad , \text{ if } g \lesssim 4\pi$$

LHC poorly sensitive to large UV scales in weakly-coupled theories

♠ **MULTIPLE SCALES**

♣ Hadron collisions involve a **broad** $\sqrt{\hat{S}}$ range

♣ Searches rely on **additional scales** $E \gg m_H$:

- Acceptance & selection,
- boosted kinematics

EFT challenges - new physics issues

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$$\mathcal{O} \propto \frac{g^2 v^2}{\Lambda^2},$$

$$\mathcal{O} \propto \frac{g^2 \partial^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

♠ Strong couplings

♣ Inaccurate truncation

♣ Competing orders

♠ Multiple scales

♣ Mass splittings

♣ Ambiguous matching scale

♠ Light scales

♣ Resonances

♠ Off-shell regimes

♣ Incomplete kinematics

♣ Distorted shapes

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UV-complete model

QFT framework

Effective Field Theory

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Key questions

- Is there a **scale hierarchy** $\Lambda \gg v$ for typical models testable at the LHC ?
- How accurately does the **linear, d6 EFT** reproduce full model predictions for trademark extended Higgs sectors?
- **Where** and **why** may **discrepancies** arise? May the EFT description fail elsewhere than expected ?
- May **full model** versus **EFT departures** be quantitatively relevant for BSM Higgs analyses?

EFT versus full model departures

INTEGRATING OUT

missing resonances

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- ♣ Renormalization scheme

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- Scalar top partners NLO corrections VS Loop-induced operators

$$\mathcal{L} \supset (D_\mu \tilde{Q})^\dagger (D^\mu \tilde{Q}) + (D_\mu \tilde{t}_R)^* (D^\mu \tilde{t}_R) - \tilde{Q}^\dagger M^2 \tilde{Q} - M^2 \tilde{t}_R^* \tilde{t}_R - \kappa_{LL} (\phi \cdot \tilde{Q})^\dagger (\phi \cdot \tilde{Q}) - \kappa_{RR} (\tilde{t}_R^* \tilde{t}_R) (\phi^\dagger \phi) - \left[\kappa_{LR} M \tilde{t}_R^* (\phi \cdot \tilde{Q}) + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{\text{EFT}} = & \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{\bar{c}_H}{2v^2} \partial^\mu (\phi^\dagger \phi) \partial_\mu (\phi^\dagger \phi) + \frac{\bar{c}_T}{2v^2} (\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \phi) (\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) - \frac{\bar{c}_6 \lambda}{v^2} (\phi^\dagger \phi)^3 \\
 & + \frac{ig\bar{c}_W}{2m_W^2} (\phi^\dagger \sigma^k \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \phi) D^\nu W^k_{\mu\nu} + \frac{ig'\bar{c}_B}{2m_W^2} (\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \phi) \partial^\nu B_{\mu\nu} \\
 & + \frac{ig\bar{c}_{HW}}{m_W^2} (D^\mu \phi^\dagger) \sigma^k (D^\nu \phi) W^k_{\mu\nu} + \frac{ig'\bar{c}_{HB}}{m_W^2} (D^\mu \phi^\dagger) (D^\nu \phi) B_{\mu\nu} \\
 & + \frac{g'^2 \bar{c}_\gamma}{m_W^2} (\phi^\dagger \phi) B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{g_s^2 \bar{c}_g}{m_W^2} (\phi^\dagger \phi) G^A_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu A} \\
 & - \left[\frac{\bar{c}_u}{v^2} y_u (\phi^\dagger \phi) (\phi^\dagger \cdot \overline{Q}_L) u_R + \frac{\bar{c}_d}{v^2} y_d (\phi^\dagger \phi) (\phi \overline{Q}_L) d_R + \frac{\bar{c}_\ell}{v^2} y_\ell (\phi^\dagger \phi) (\phi \overline{L}_L) \ell_R + \text{h.c.} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Tree-level matching

UV complete model:

$$\int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}}[\phi, \Psi] = \int d^4x \left\{ \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}}[\phi] + (\Psi^\dagger F[\phi] + \text{h.c.}) + \Psi^\dagger (P^2 - M^2 - U[\phi])\Psi + \mathcal{O}(\Psi^3) \right\}$$

Effective action:

$$\begin{aligned} e^{iS_{\text{eff}}[\phi]} &= \int [D\Psi] e^{iS[\phi, \Psi]} = \int [D\eta] e^{i\left(S[\phi, \Psi_c] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Psi^2} \Big|_{\Psi=\Psi_c} \eta^2 + \mathcal{O}(\eta^3)\right)} \\ &\approx e^{iS[\phi, \Psi_c]} \left[\det \left(-\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Psi^2} \Big|_{\Psi=\Psi_c} \right) \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \approx e^{iS[\phi, \Psi_c] - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \ln \left(-\frac{\delta^2 S}{\delta \Psi^2} \Big|_{\Psi=\Psi_c} \right)}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta \Psi} \Big|_{\Psi=\Psi_c} = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{tree}}^{\text{eff}}[\phi] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} F[\phi]^\dagger M^{-2} [(P^2 - U)M^{-2}]^n F[\phi] + \mathcal{O}(\Phi_c^3)$$

Tree-level matching

Sample case: vector triplet

♣ Full model Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset \frac{M_V^2}{2} V^{\mu,a} V_\mu^a + V_\mu^a \left[g_V c_H J_H^{\mu,a} + \frac{g_w^2}{2g_V} c_F \sum_F J_F^{\mu,a} + \tilde{c}_{WV} \frac{g_w}{g_V} J_\mu^{W^a} \right] + \mathcal{O}(V^3)$$

♣ Classical field equations:

$$V^{\mu,a} = -\frac{1}{M_V^2} \left[\tilde{c}_{WV} \frac{g_w}{g_V} J_W^{\mu,a} + g_V c_H J_H^{\mu,a} + \frac{g_w^2}{2g_V} c_F \sum_F J_F^{\mu,a} \right] + \mathcal{O}(p_V^2/m_V^4) + \mathcal{O}(V^2)$$

♣ Effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset -\frac{(g_V^2 c_H + g_w^2 \tilde{c}_{WV})^2}{2 g_V^2 M_V^2} J_H^{\mu,a} J_\mu^a - \frac{g_w^2 (c_F + \tilde{c}_{WV}) (g_V^2 c_H + g_w^2 \tilde{c}_{WV})}{2 g_V^2 M_V^2} J_H^{\mu,a} J_\mu^{F^a} + 4\text{ferm.}$$

♣ Light field currents

$$J_\mu^{H,a} = \frac{i}{2} \left[\Phi^\dagger \sigma^a \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \Phi \right]$$

$$J_\mu^{F,a} = \overline{F}_L \gamma_\mu \sigma^a F_L$$

♣ Wilson coefficients

$$\bar{c}_H = \frac{3 g_w^2 v^2}{4 m_V^2} \left[c_H^2 \frac{g_V^2}{g_w^2} - 2 c_F \tilde{c}_{WV} \frac{g^2}{g_V^2} - 2 c_F c_H - \tilde{c}_{WV}^2 \frac{g^2}{g_V^2} \right]$$

One-loop matching

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Effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{one-loop}} = i c_s \int \frac{d^4 q}{(2\pi)^4} \text{Tr} \log [-(P_\mu - q_\mu)^2 + M^2 + U(x)]$$

Covariant Derivative Expansion

[Henning, Lu, Murayama '14] [Drozd, Ellis, Quevillon,

You '15]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{1-loop}} \supset & \frac{c_s}{(4\pi)^2 M^2} \text{Tr} \left\{ -\frac{1}{12} U G'_{\mu\nu} G'^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{24 M^2} U^2 G'_{\mu\nu} G'^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{240 M^2} [U, G'_{\mu\nu}] [U, G'^{\mu\nu}] \right. \\ & - \frac{1}{120 M^2} [(P_\mu U), (P_\nu U)] G'^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{12 M^4} (P_\mu U)^2 \\ & \left. - \frac{1}{20 M^6} U^2 (P_\mu U)^2 - \frac{1}{30 M^6} (U P_\mu U)^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

⇒ **Notes of caution !** : [arXiv:1602.00126]

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♣ $U(x)$ matrix

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Truncation prescriptions: default VS v -improved

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♠ **v -IMPROVED MATCHING:**

absorb $\mathcal{O} \left(\frac{v}{\Lambda} \right)^{d-6}$ terms into $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{d=6}$.

• Matching scale $\Lambda = M_{\text{phys}}$

• Wilson coefficients written in terms of mass-eigenstate/broken phase quantities

$$\mathcal{O}_H^{\text{singlet}} : \frac{\lambda_3^2}{2\lambda_2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} [\partial_\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \partial^2 \mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)] \quad \text{VS} \quad \frac{2(1 - \cos \alpha) v^2}{m_H^2} [\partial_\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \partial^2 \mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)]$$

Simulation setup

♣ Channels



Gluon fusion:

$$pp \rightarrow h \rightarrow 4l$$

$$pp \rightarrow h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$



WBF:

$$ud \rightarrow h \, ud \rightarrow W^+ W^- \, ud \rightarrow (\ell^+ \nu) (\ell^- \bar{\nu}) \, ud$$



VH:

$$qq \rightarrow W^\pm h, Zh$$

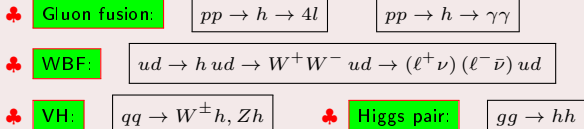


Higgs pair:

$$gg \rightarrow hh$$

Simulation setup

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♠ Toolbox:

MadGraph5

Hdecay

hh@2HDM

HiggsBounds

HiggsSignals

2HDMC

FeynRules

HEFT model

Alloul, Sanz, Fuks ['13]

♠ Tricks:

- in-house $ggH, \gamma\gamma H$ for loop-induced amplitudes
- FeynArts/FormCalc/LoopTools + event reweighting for NLO corrections

~ 100000 pp events @13 TeV per benchmark point

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Cataloguing departures


CATEGORY I:
Integrating out
Resonances: On-shell

♣ S-channel resonance

♣ On-shell peak $\sqrt{S} = M^2$

Singlet

$m_H = 350 \text{ GeV}$

$pp(gg) \rightarrow h \rightarrow 4l$

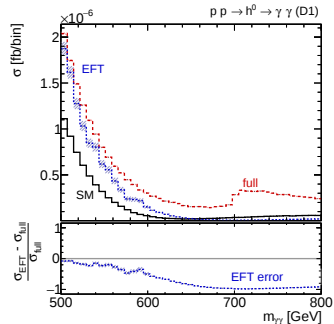
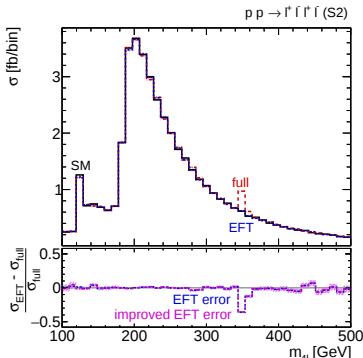
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2HDM

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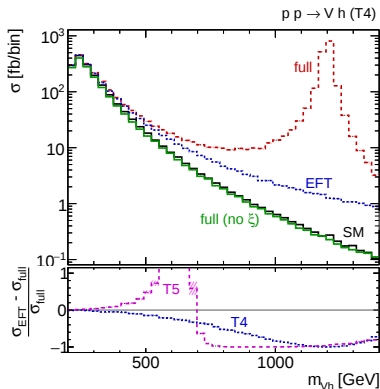
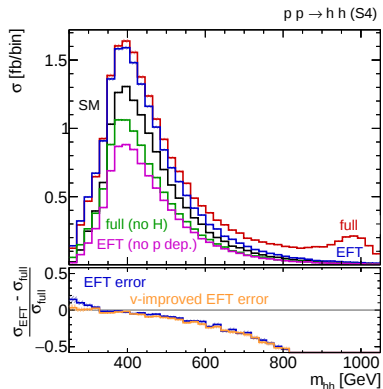
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CATEGORY I:
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Resonances: off-shell

- ♣ Incomplete p^2 dependence from the virtual heavy-field exchange
- ♣ Modified bulk shapes (yet far from threshold)

Vector Triplet
 M_{VH}

Singlet
 M_{hh} in Higgs pair


Cataloguing departures


CATEGORY II:
Truncating and matching
Innaccurate truncation

Default VS v -improved matching
Singlet

$$\Lambda = \sqrt{2\lambda_2} v_s$$

VS

$$\Lambda = m_H$$

$$\bar{c}_H \sim \left(\frac{\lambda_3}{2\lambda_2} \frac{v}{v_s} \right)^2$$

VS

$$\bar{c}_H \sim 2(1 - \cos \alpha)$$


Effects on couplings & rates

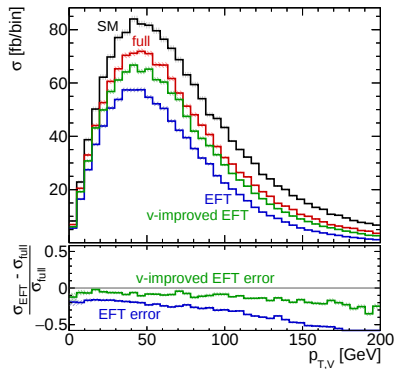
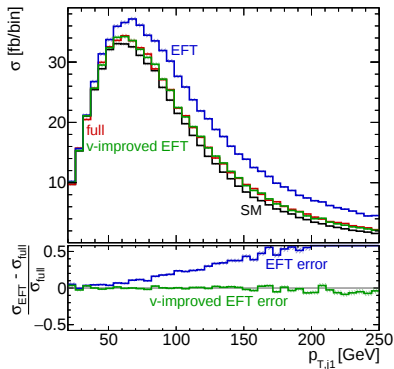
$$g_{xxH} = g_{xxH}^{\text{SM}}(1 + \Delta_x)$$

<u>singlet</u>			<u>EFT (default)</u>				<u>EFT (v-improved)</u>		
m_H	$\sin \alpha$	$\Delta_x^{\text{singlet}}$	Λ	$\bar{c}_H$	Δ_x^{EFT}	$\frac{\sigma^{\text{EFT}}}{\sigma^{\text{full}}}$	$\bar{c}_H$	Δ_x^{EFT}	$\frac{\sigma^{\text{EFT}}}{\sigma^{\text{full}}}$
						ggF			ggF
500	0.2	-0.020	491	0.036	-0.018	1.006	0.040	-0.020	1.001
350	0.3	-0.046	336	0.073	-0.037	1.019	0.092	-0.046	1.000
200	0.4	-0.083	190	0.061	-0.031	1.119	0.167	-0.083	1.000
1000	0.4	-0.083	918	0.183	-0.092	0.982	0.167	-0.092	0.999
500	0.6	-0.200	407	0.461	-0.231	0.925	0.400	-0.200	0.999

Cataloguing departures


CATEGORY II:
Truncating and matching
Innaccurate truncation

Default VS v -improved matching

, Effects on kinematics
Vector Triplet
Tagging jets in WBF
Vector triplet
 $Z p_T$


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Competing orders

Suppressed $M_{\text{SM}}^{\text{d4}}$

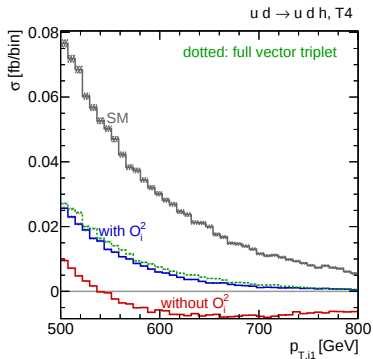
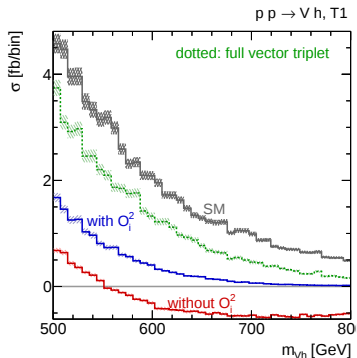
$|M^{\text{d6}}|^2$ terms in $|M_{\text{SM}}^{\text{d4}} + M^{\text{d6}}|^2$ may dominate – while $M_{\text{SM}}^{\text{d4}} \times M^{\text{d8}} \ll |M^{\text{d6}}|^2$

Vector triplet

 $pp(gg) \rightarrow VH$

2HDM

Tagging jets in WBF



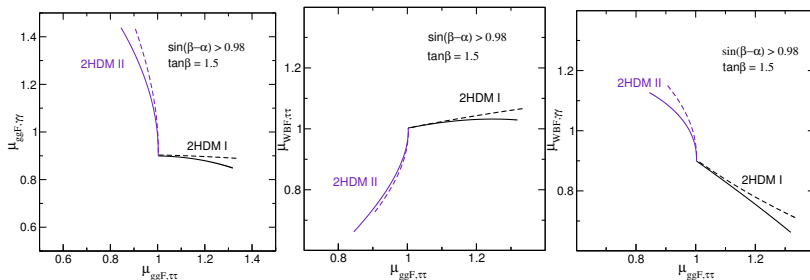
[Biekötter, Brehmer, Krämer, Plehn, in preparation]

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Correlations

♣ Departing trajectories in the signal strength plane Cranmer, Kreiss, DLV, Plehn ['14]

2HDM


⇒ Implications for EFT theory uncertainties

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Birds-eye summary

EFT VS full model departures

A (more or less) complete catalogue

Model	Process	EFT failure		
		resonance	kinematics	matching
singlet	on-shell $h \rightarrow 4\ell$, WBF, Vh , ...			×
	off-shell WBF, ...		(×)	×
	hh	×	×	×
2HDM	on-shell $h \rightarrow 4\ell$, WBF, Vh , ...			×
	off-shell $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, ...		(×)	×
	hh	×	×	×
top partner	WBF, Vh			×
vector triplet	WBF		(×)	×
	Vh	×	(×)	×

Take-home ideas

♠ **Robustness of Higgs EFT-based predictions is challenged at the LHC**

- Multiple scales
- Validity VS Relevance

♠ $\mathcal{L}_{\text{HEFT}}^{\text{d6}}$ **satisfactory for weakly coupled new physics within LHC reach** (of limited interest though).

♠ **EFT fails when expected:**

- ♣ Missing **light resonances** & **incomplete kinematic structures**
- ♣ Competing **higher orders**
- ♣ **Ambiguous matching** & **truncation**

• *Due to* ♢ **strong couplings** ♢ **light scales** ♢ **VEV-induced scales**

• *Visible as:*

- ♣ Inaccurate **coupling shifts**, total **rates** & **correlations**
- ♣ On-shell **peaks** and loop **thresholds**
- ♣ Distorted **shapes** (bulk, tail)

♠ **HEFT versus full model agreement can be improved:**

♢ **v-improved matching** & ♢ **non-linear EFT** [González-Fraile, Freitas, DLV, Plehn, in progress]