A novel approach to H coupling measurements

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Two prominent caveats



Not probabilistic \Rightarrow Not suitable for statistical treatment

New Physics effects

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• Overlayed with theory uncertainties

Similar low-energy impact from manifold UV origin

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🌲 statistical model





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$$\lambda(\vec{\mu}) = \frac{L(\vec{\mu}, \hat{\alpha})}{L(\hat{\vec{\mu}}, \hat{\vec{\alpha}})}$$

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effective signal strength & likelihood





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We trade a shift in
$$\alpha$$
 by a shift in μ^{eff}

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& Reparametrization template





Expected signal dependence wirit uncertainties

* on total rates	$s_{cpd}(\vec{\alpha}) = s_{cpd}(\vec{\alpha}_0) \left[1 + \sum_i \eta_{pi}(\alpha_i - \alpha_{0,i})\right]$
★ on background	$b_c(\vec{\alpha}) = b_c(\vec{\alpha}_0) \left[1 + \sum_i \phi_{ci}(\alpha_i - \alpha_{0,i}) \right] \ (\forall p, d)$





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& Reconstruction technique



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- Computational tools available at http://github.com/svenkreiss/decouple
- Analytical toy example available at arXiv:1401.0080

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 \clubsuit To be dealt with care: non–linearities in $\mu, lpha$ & category–weighted effects

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Theory uncertainties VS new physics effects

GEOMETRY

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A BSM patterns yield characteristic signal strength correlations





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SIGNAL STRENGHT CORRELATIONS



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 $\xi \rightarrow 0$: model-independent SM-like limit

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🐥 way broader applications foreseen !

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