

Employing the Matrix Element Method in the Search for Higgs Self-coupling

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- Allows direct measurement of self-coupling parameter λ
- Deviations from the current value $\lambda = \frac{m_H^2}{2v^2}$ implies physics beyond the standard model



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- Transfer function $T(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})$ describes the partonic evolution of the final state \mathbf{y}
- Efficiency $\epsilon(y)$ represent the probability of correctly selecting and reconstructing the final state y

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MoMEMta for Weight Calculation

- C++ software package for calculating weights
- Four-momenta of final state particles as inputs
- Removes degrees of freedom via energy-momentum conservation
- Uses "blocks" to construct desired decay



[http://arxiv.org/abs/1007.3300v2]

Blocks







Requirements for block:

- 6 final state particles
- 5 decaying particles (H, H, H, W^+, W^-)





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 \rightarrow None of the available blocks fit the decay









Secondary block C/D

Main block F changes

- Make p1 & p2 inputs
- *p*2 is sum of off-shell *W*-boson daughter particles
- \rightarrow Weights can be calculated



Weights = HH(inputs = x) under $H \rightarrow HH$ hypothesis

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HZ(HZ) and HZ(HH) Weights

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 \rightarrow 1 out of 134695 events was missclasified as a *HZ* event

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High Successrate (> 99.99%) using Matrix Element Method for distinguishing *HH* from *HZ* Events

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- *HH* very rare (unobserved) decay with more likely background processes
- Use MoMEMta to distinguish *HH* from *HZ* events
- Need of alterations to MoMEMta blocks to perform calculations
- *HH* and *HZ* histogram under *HH* hypothesis almost identical
- *HH* and *HZ* histogram under *HZ* hypothesis easy to separate
- Comparing weights of single events makes a clear separation possible



Thank you for your attention



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Main	Topology	Removes	For	
block				
A	$(q_1,q_2) \rightarrow p_1 + p_2$	$q_1,q_2, p_1 , p_2 $		
В	$(q_1,q_2) ightarrow s_{12} (ightarrow p_1 + p_2)$	q_1,q_2,p_1	s_{12}	
\mathbf{C}	$(q_1,q_2) \rightarrow s_{123} \rightarrow p_3 + s_{12} (\rightarrow p_1 + p_2)$	$q_1,q_2,p_1, p_3 $	s_{12},s_{123}	q_i : Bjorken fraction
D	$(q_1,q_2) \to s_{134} (\to p_4 + s_{13} (\to p_1 + p_3)) +$	$q_1,\!q_2,p_1,p_2$	$s_{13},s_{134},s_{25},s_{256}$	p_i : Four-momentum
	$s_{256} (\rightarrow p_6 + s_{25} (\rightarrow p_2 + p_5))$			$s_{ij\dots} = (p_i + p_j + \dots)^2$
${ m E}$	$(q_1,q_2) \to (s_{1234},y) \to s_{13} (\to p_1 + p_3) +$	q_1,q_2,p_1,p_2	s_{1234},y,s_{13},s_{24}	y: Rapidity
	$s_{24}(ightarrow p_2+p_4)$			
\mathbf{F}	$(q_1, q_2) \to s_{13} (\to p_1 + p_3) + s_{24} (\to p_2 + p_4)$	p_1,p_2	q_1,q_2,s_{13},s_{24}	
G	$(q_1, q_2) \to s_{12} (\to p_1 + p_2) + s_{34} (\to p_3 + p_4)$	$q_1,q_2, p_1 , p_2 , p_3 , p_4 $	s_{12},s_{34}	

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[https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-019-6635-5]

MoMEMta

Main and Secondary Blocks





How to construct Higgs Self-coupling?

- None of the availible blocks fit the decay
- Creation of a custom block possible but jacobian needed ...
- \rightarrow No custom Block





$$J = \frac{E_1}{s} |p_{2z} E_1 - E_2 p_{1z}|^{-1}$$

 $J = \frac{E_1 E_2}{8s} \bigg| E_3 \Big\{ E_5 \big[p_{34z} (p_{1y} p_{2z} p_{56x} - p_{1x} p_{2z} p_{56y} \big] \bigg\}$ $-p_{1y}p_{2x}p_{56z} + p_{1x}p_{2y}p_{56z}) + p_{1z}(-p_{2z}p_{34y}p_{56x} +$ $p_{2z}p_{34x}p_{56y} - p_{2y}p_{34x}p_{56z} + p_{2x}p_{34y}p_{56z})] +$ $(E_{56}p_{2z} - E_2p_{56z})(p_{1z}p_{34y}p_{5x} - p_{1y}p_{34z}p_{5x} - p_{1z}p_{34x}p_{5y} +$ $p_{1x}p_{34z}p_{5y}) + \left[E_{56}(p_{1z}p_{2y}p_{34x} - p_{1z}p_{2x}p_{34y} + p_{1y}p_{2x}p_{34z} - p_{1z}p_{2x}p_{34z} - p_{1z}p_{2x}p_{34y} + p_{1y}p_{2x}p_{34z} - p_{1z}p_{2x}p_{34z} - p_{1z}p_{34z} - p_$ $p_{1x}p_{2y}p_{34z}) + E_2(p_{1z}p_{34y}p_{56x} - p_{1y}p_{34z}p_{56x} - p_{1z}p_{34x}p_{56y} +$ $p_{1x}p_{34z}p_{56y}]p_{5z}\Big\}+E_{34}\Big\{E_5p_{2z}(p_{1z}p_{3y}p_{56x}-p_{1y}p_{3z}p_{56x}$ $-p_{1z}p_{3x}p_{56y} + p_{1x}p_{3z}p_{56y}) + E_5(p_{1z}p_{2y}p_{3x} - p_{1z}p_{2x}p_{3y})$ $+p_{1y}p_{2x}p_{3z} - p_{1x}p_{2y}p_{3z})p_{56z} - (E_{56}p_{2z} - E_2p_{56z})$ $(p_{1z}p_{3y}p_{5x} - p_{1y}p_{3z}p_{5x} - p_{1z}p_{3x}p_{5y} + p_{1x}p_{3z}p_{5y})$ $-\left[E_{56}(p_{1z}p_{2y}p_{3x}-p_{1z}p_{2x}p_{3y}+p_{1y}p_{2x}p_{3z}-p_{1x}p_{2y}p_{3z})+\right.$ $E_2(p_{1z}p_{3y}p_{56x} - p_{1y}p_{3z}p_{56x} - p_{1z}p_{3x}p_{56y} + p_{1x}p_{3z}p_{56y})]p_{5z} +$ $E_1\Big\{\Big[E_5(p_{2z}(-p_{34z}p_{3y}p_{56x}+p_{34y}p_{3z}p_{56x}+$ $p_{34z}p_{3x}p_{56y} - p_{34x}p_{3z}p_{56y}) +$ $(-p_{2y}p_{34z}p_{3x}+p_{2x}p_{34z}p_{3y}+p_{2y}p_{34x}p_{3z}-p_{2x}p_{34y}p_{3z})p_{56z}]+$ $[E_{56}p_{2z} - E_2p_{56z})(p_{34z}p_{3y}p_{5x} - p_{34y}p_{3z}p_{5x} - p_{34z}p_{3x}p_{5y} +$ $p_{34x}p_{3z}p_{5y}) + (E_{56}(p_{2y}p_{34z}p_{3x} - p_{2x}p_{34z}p_{3y} - p_{2y}p_{34x}p_{3z} +$ $p_{2x}p_{34y}p_{3z}) + E_2(p_{34z}p_{3y}p_{56x} - p_{34y}p_{3z}p_{56x} - p_{34z}p_{3x}p_{56y} + p_{34z}p_{3x}p_{$ $p_{34x}p_{3z}p_{56y})]p_{5z}$

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$t\bar{t}$ fully leptonic Decay







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Main block D

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Weights = $t\overline{t}$ (inputs = x) under $t\overline{t} \rightarrow \mu^{-}\mu^{+}$ hypothesis

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ttbar(ttbar_NJ) and ttbar(HH_NJ) Weights

jacobians = jacobians



- jacobians variable involves all the quantities that affect the final Jacobian value
- Causes error since the topology here does not match block F's original topology

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jacobians = jacobians line does not affect the ability to distinguish between two processes



Higgs Self-coupling in MoMEMta



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Main block D changes

- Set $p4 = p6 = 0 \rightarrow$ No need for dashed lines s134 & s256
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HZ coupling



Weights = HZ(inputs = x) under Z \rightarrow HZ hypothesis



HZ(HZ) and HZ(HH) Weights



HH vs HZ

