

Measuring properties of a Heavy Higgs boson in the $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4L$ decay

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Motivations

- The SM with one Higgs doublet is not natural. Another heavy scalar boson can appear soon.
- LHC searched for $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ and there are some 2–3 sigma here and there.
- The decay $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ involves a number of angles that one can investigate the CP properties of the boson.

Interactions of HZZ

$$\begin{aligned} i\mathcal{M}^{H\rightarrow ZZ} &\equiv i\frac{gM_W}{c_W^2} \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{ZZ} \epsilon_1^{*\mu} \epsilon_2^{*\nu} \\ &= i\frac{gM_W}{c_W^2} \left\{ g_{HZZ} \epsilon_1^* \cdot \epsilon_2^* + S_H^{ZZ}(s) \left[\frac{-2k_1 \cdot k_2}{s} \epsilon_1^* \cdot \epsilon_2^* + \frac{2}{s} k_1 \cdot \epsilon_2^* k_2 \cdot \epsilon_1^* \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + P_H^{ZZ}(s) \frac{2}{s} \langle \epsilon_1^* \epsilon_2^* k_1 k_2 \rangle \right\} \end{aligned}$$

The first term comes from $\mathcal{L} = \frac{gM_W}{2c_W^2} g_{HZZ} Z_\mu Z^\mu H$

The second and third term come from higher-order or from genuine dim-6 operators. They can be complex if developed non-vanishing absorptive part.

Helicity Amplitude

$$H \rightarrow Z(k_1, \epsilon_1) Z(k_2, \epsilon_2) \rightarrow f_1(p_1, \sigma_1) \bar{f}_1(\bar{p}_1, \bar{\sigma}_1) f_2(p_2, \sigma_2) \bar{f}_2(\bar{p}_2, \bar{\sigma}_2).$$

$$\begin{aligned} i\mathcal{M}_{\sigma_1 \bar{\sigma}_1; \sigma_2 \bar{\sigma}_2} &= \left(i \frac{g M_W}{c_W^2} \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{ZZ} \right) \frac{-i \left(g^{\mu\rho} - \frac{k_1^\mu k_1^\rho}{M_Z^2} \right)}{k_1^2 - M_Z^2 + i M_Z \Gamma_Z} \frac{-i \left(g^{\nu\sigma} - \frac{k_2^\nu k_2^\sigma}{M_Z^2} \right)}{k_2^2 - M_Z^2 + i M_Z \Gamma_Z} \\ &\times \left[-i \frac{g}{c_W} \sum_{A=L,R} \bar{u}(p_1, \sigma_1) \gamma_\rho (v_{f_1} - A a_{f_1}) P_A v(\bar{p}_1, \bar{\sigma}_1) \right] \\ &\times \left[-i \frac{g}{c_W} \sum_{B=L,R} \bar{u}(p_2, \sigma_2) \gamma_\sigma (v_{f_2} - B a_{f_2}) P_B v(\bar{p}_2, \bar{\sigma}_2) \right] \\ &= i \sum_{\lambda_1, \lambda_2} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}^{H \rightarrow ZZ} \frac{1}{k_1^2 - M_Z^2 + i M_Z \Gamma_Z} \frac{1}{k_2^2 - M_Z^2 + i M_Z \Gamma_Z} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1; \sigma_1 \bar{\sigma}_1}^{Z \rightarrow f_1 \bar{f}_1} \mathcal{M}_{\lambda_2; \sigma_2 \bar{\sigma}_2}^{Z \rightarrow f_2 \bar{f}_2} \end{aligned}$$

The helicity amplitude for the decay $H \rightarrow Z(k_1, \epsilon_1)Z(k_2, \epsilon_2)$ in the rest frame of H by

$$\mathcal{M}_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}^{H \rightarrow ZZ} = \frac{g M_W}{c_W^2} \langle \lambda_1 \rangle \delta_{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}$$

with the reduced amplitudes $\langle \lambda_1 \rangle$ defined by

$$\langle + \rangle \equiv g_{HZZ} + (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) S_H^{ZZ} - i\lambda^{1/2}(1, \alpha_1, \alpha_2) P_H^{ZZ},$$

$$\langle - \rangle \equiv g_{HZZ} + (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) S_H^{ZZ} + i\lambda^{1/2}(1, \alpha_1, \alpha_2) P_H^{ZZ},$$

$$\langle 0 \rangle \equiv g_{HZZ} \left(\frac{1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2}{2\sqrt{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}} \right) - 2\sqrt{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} S_H^{ZZ},$$

$$\alpha_i = k_i^2 / M_H^2.$$

The longitudinal amplitude $\langle 0 \rangle$ is enhanced by a factor $M_H^2 / 2 M_Z^2$ in large M_H limit.

helicity amplitude for the decay $Z(k, \epsilon(k, \lambda)) \rightarrow f(p, \sigma) \bar{f}(\bar{p}, \bar{\sigma})$ is

$$\mathcal{M}_{\lambda:\sigma\bar{\sigma}}^{Z\rightarrow f\bar{f}} = \begin{cases} -\frac{g}{c_W} \left[\sqrt{2}m_f v_f \lambda \sigma e^{-i(\sigma-\lambda)\phi} s_\theta \delta_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}} \right. \\ \quad \left. + \frac{\sqrt{k^2}}{\sqrt{2}} (v_f - \sigma \beta_f a_f) (\lambda c_\theta + \sigma) e^{i\lambda\phi} \delta_{\sigma-\bar{\sigma}} \right] & \text{for } \lambda = \pm \\ -\frac{g}{c_W} \left[2m_f v_f e^{-i\sigma\phi} (-\sigma c_\theta) \delta_{\sigma\bar{\sigma}} + \sqrt{k^2} (v_f - \sigma \beta_f a_f) s_\theta \delta_{\sigma-\bar{\sigma}} \right] & \text{for } \lambda = 0 \end{cases}$$

Combining all sub-amplitudes

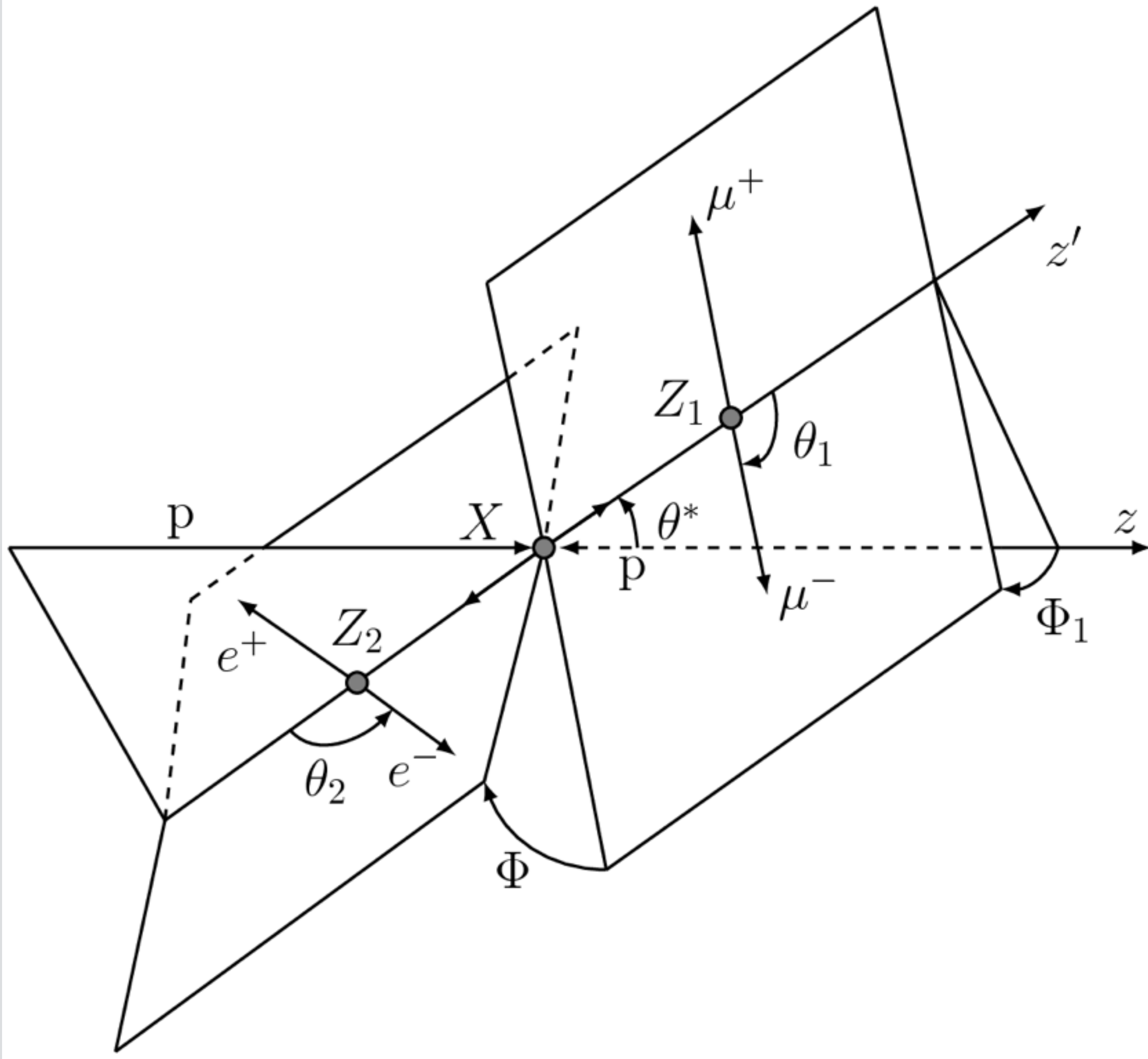
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{\sigma_1\bar{\sigma}_1:\sigma_2\bar{\sigma}_2} &= \frac{gM_W}{2c_W^2} \left(\frac{g}{c_W} \right)^2 \frac{\sqrt{k_1^2}}{k_1^2 - M_Z^2 + iM_Z\Gamma_Z} \frac{\sqrt{k_2^2}}{k_2^2 - M_Z^2 + iM_Z\Gamma_Z} \\ &\times (v_{f_1} - \sigma_1 a_{f_1})(v_{f_2} - \sigma_2 a_{f_2}) \\ &\times \left[\langle + \rangle (c_{\theta_1} + \sigma_1)(c_{\theta_2} + \sigma_2) e^{i(\phi_1+\phi_2)} + \langle - \rangle (-c_{\theta_1} + \sigma_1)(-c_{\theta_2} + \sigma_2) e^{-i(\phi_1+\phi_2)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2\langle 0 \rangle s_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} \right] \delta_{\sigma_1-\bar{\sigma}_1} \delta_{\sigma_2-\bar{\sigma}_2} . \end{aligned}$$

The amplitude squared can be written as a sum of independent combinations of angular variables:

$$\sum_{\sigma_1, \bar{\sigma}_1, \sigma_2, \bar{\sigma}_2} |\mathcal{M}_{\sigma_1 \bar{\sigma}_1 : \sigma_2 \bar{\sigma}_2}|^2 = \left(\frac{g M_W}{c_W^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{g}{c_W} \right)^4 \frac{k_1^2}{(k_1^2 - M_Z^2)^2 + M_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2} \frac{k_2^2}{(k_2^2 - M_Z^2)^2 + M_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2} \\ \times (v_{f_1}^2 + a_{f_1}^2)(v_{f_2}^2 + a_{f_2}^2) \frac{128\pi}{9} \sum_{i=1}^9 C_i f_i(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) \quad (10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left[(1 + c_{\theta_1}^2)(1 + c_{\theta_2}^2) + 4\eta_1\eta_2 c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} \right] , & f_6(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left[-4(\eta_1 c_{\theta_2} + \eta_2 c_{\theta_1}) s_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} c_{\Phi} \right] , \\ f_2(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left\{ -2 \left[\eta_1 c_{\theta_1} (1 + c_{\theta_2}^2) + \eta_2 c_{\theta_2} (1 + c_{\theta_1}^2) \right] \right\} , & f_7(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left[4(\eta_1 c_{\theta_2} + \eta_2 c_{\theta_1}) s_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} s_{\Phi} \right] , \\ f_3(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left[4s_{\theta_1}^2 s_{\theta_2}^2 \right] , & f_8(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left[s_{\theta_1}^2 s_{\theta_2}^2 c_{2\Phi} \right] , \\ f_4(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left[4(c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} + \eta_1 \eta_2) s_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} c_{\Phi} \right] , & f_9(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left[-s_{\theta_1}^2 s_{\theta_2}^2 s_{2\Phi} \right] . \\ f_5(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi) &= \frac{9}{128\pi} \left[-4(c_{\theta_1} c_{\theta_2} + \eta_1 \eta_2) s_{\theta_1} s_{\theta_2} s_{\Phi} \right] , \end{aligned}$$

with $\Phi = \phi_1 + \phi_2$ and $\eta_i = 2v_{f_i} a_{f_i} / (v_{f_i}^2 + a_{f_i}^2)$.



Also, the 9 angular coefficients C_{1-9} , which are combinations of the reduced helicity amplitudes $\langle + \rangle$, $\langle - \rangle$, and $\langle 0 \rangle$, are defined as

$$\begin{aligned}
C_1 &\equiv |\langle + \rangle|^2 + |\langle - \rangle|^2, & C_2 &\equiv |\langle + \rangle|^2 - |\langle - \rangle|^2, & C_3 &\equiv |\langle 0 \rangle|^2, \\
C_4 &\equiv \Re [\langle + \rangle \langle 0 \rangle^* + \langle - \rangle \langle 0 \rangle^*], & C_5 &\equiv \Im [\langle + \rangle \langle 0 \rangle^* - \langle - \rangle \langle 0 \rangle^*], \\
C_6 &\equiv \Re [\langle + \rangle \langle 0 \rangle^* - \langle - \rangle \langle 0 \rangle^*], & C_7 &\equiv \Im [\langle + \rangle \langle 0 \rangle^* + \langle - \rangle \langle 0 \rangle^*], \\
C_8 &\equiv 2\Re [\langle + \rangle \langle - \rangle^*], & C_9 &\equiv 2\Im [\langle + \rangle \langle - \rangle^*].
\end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Under CP and CPT $\sim$ the reduced amplitudes transform like

$$\langle \lambda \rangle \xleftrightarrow{\text{CP}} \langle -\lambda \rangle, \quad \langle \lambda \rangle \xleftrightarrow{\text{CPT}\sim} \langle -\lambda \rangle^*.$$

- * C_2, C_5, C_6, C_9 are CP-odd and nonzero when $g_{\text{HZZ}}/S^{\text{ZZ}}_{\text{H}}$ and P^{ZZ}_{H} exist.
- * C_2, C_6, C_7 are CPT $\sim$ odd and nonzero when induced by the absorptive parts of S^{ZZ}_{H} and/or P^{ZZ}_{H}

The partial decay width of the process $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell_1 2\ell_2$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
d\Gamma &= \frac{1}{2M_H} \left(\sum_{\sigma_1, \bar{\sigma}_1, \sigma_2, \bar{\sigma}_2} |\mathcal{M}_{\sigma_1 \bar{\sigma}_1: \sigma_2 \bar{\sigma}_2}|^2 \right) d\Phi_4 \\
&= \frac{1}{2^{13} \pi^6 M_H} \lambda^{1/2}(1, k_1^2/M_H^2, k_2^2/M_H^2) \sqrt{k_1^2} \sqrt{k_2^2} \\
&\quad \times \left(\sum_{\sigma_1, \bar{\sigma}_1, \sigma_2, \bar{\sigma}_2} |\mathcal{M}_{\sigma_1 \bar{\sigma}_1: \sigma_2 \bar{\sigma}_2}|^2 \right) d\sqrt{k_1^2} d\sqrt{k_2^2} dc_{\theta_1} dc_{\theta_2} d\Phi.
\end{aligned}$$

After integrating over $\sqrt{k_1^2}$ and $\sqrt{k_2^2}$, we obtain

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{dc_{\theta_1} dc_{\theta_2} d\Phi} = \sum_{i=1}^9 \bar{R}_i f_i(\theta_1, \theta_2, \Phi)$$

with the 9 angular observables defined by

$$\bar{R}_i \equiv \frac{w_i \bar{C}_i}{w_1 \bar{C}_1 + w_3 \bar{C}_3}.$$

$$\bar{C}_i = C_i(k_1^2 = M_Z^2, k_2^2 = M_Z^2)$$

All $w_i = 1$ for on shell Z's. We shall take the NWA.

We can integrate any 2 of the angles θ_1 , θ_2 , and Φ to obtain 1-dim angular distributions

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{dc_{\theta_{1,2}}} = \frac{3}{8} \bar{R}_1 (1 + c_{\theta_{1,2}}^2) - \frac{3\eta_{1,2}}{4} \bar{R}_2 c_{\theta_{1,2}} + \frac{3}{4} \bar{R}_3 (1 - c_{\theta_{1,2}}^2) ,$$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{d\Gamma}{d\Phi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} + \frac{9\pi\eta_1\eta_2}{128} (\bar{R}_4 c_\Phi - \bar{R}_5 s_\Phi) + \frac{1}{8\pi} (\bar{R}_8 c_{2\Phi} - \bar{R}_9 s_{2\Phi})$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{2^6 3^2 \pi^5 M_H} \left(\frac{g M_W}{c_W^2} \right)^2 \left(\frac{g}{c_W} \right)^4 (v_{f_1}^2 + a_{f_1}^2) (v_{f_2}^2 + a_{f_2}^2) (w_1 \bar{C}_1 + w_3 \bar{C}_3) \mathcal{F}$$

- * Only $C_{1,2,3}$ contribute to $\cos\text{-}\theta_{1,2}$ distributions. When S^{ZZ}_H and P^{ZZ}_H are real, $C_2=0$.
- * $R_{6,7}$ never appear in 1-dim distributions. We need 2-dim distributions, e.g., $c_{\theta_1}\text{-}\Phi$ and $c_{\theta_2}\text{-}\Phi$ distributions.

- * The angular observables $R_{1,2,3}$ can be obtained from fitting to $\cos\text{-}\theta_{1,2}$ distributions.
- * $R_{4,5,8,9}$ can be obtained from Fourier analysis or fitting to $\emptyset$ distribution.
- * A non-vanishing R_2 signals may imply new particles of mass $< M_H/2$, such that develops absorptive part for S^{ZZ}_H and P^{ZZ}_H .
- * Measurements of R 's cannot determine the absolute size of S^{ZZ}_H , P^{ZZ}_H and g_{HZZ} .
- * We need to measure $C_1 + C_3$ in the partial width

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma &= 2.78 \times 10^{-4} (w_1 \overline{C}_1 + w_3 \overline{C}_3) \text{ GeV} \\ &= \Gamma_{\text{tot}}^H B(H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2\ell_1 2\ell_2) \simeq \Gamma_{\text{tot}}^H B(H \rightarrow ZZ) [B(Z \rightarrow \ell\ell)]^2\end{aligned}$$

Numerical Analysis

- We used $M_H=260$ GeV
- $B(H \rightarrow ZZ, Zh, hh)$ are comparable, $B(H \rightarrow tt) = 0$.
- S^{ZZ}_H and P^{ZZ}_H are real. Only 3 input parameters of couplings.

	g_{HZZ}	S_H^{ZZ}	P_H^{ZZ}	$\overline{C}_1[++]$	$\overline{C}_2[--]$	$\overline{C}_3[++]$	$\overline{C}_4[++]$	$\overline{C}_5[-+]$	$\overline{C}_6[--]$	$\overline{C}_7[+-]$	$\overline{C}_8[++]$	$\overline{C}_9[-+]$
S1	1	0	0	2.00	0.00	9.39	-6.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00
S2	0	1	0	1.14	0.00	0.0605	-0.371	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.14	0.00
S3	0	0	1	1.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-1.02	0.00
S4	0	1	1	2.15	0.00	0.0605	-0.371	0.351	0.00	0.00	0.121	-2.15
S5	0	1	-1	2.15	0.00	0.0605	-0.371	-0.351	0.00	0.00	0.121	2.15
S6	0.32	1	1	1.39	0.00	0.540	0.638	-1.05	0.00	0.00	-0.639	-1.24

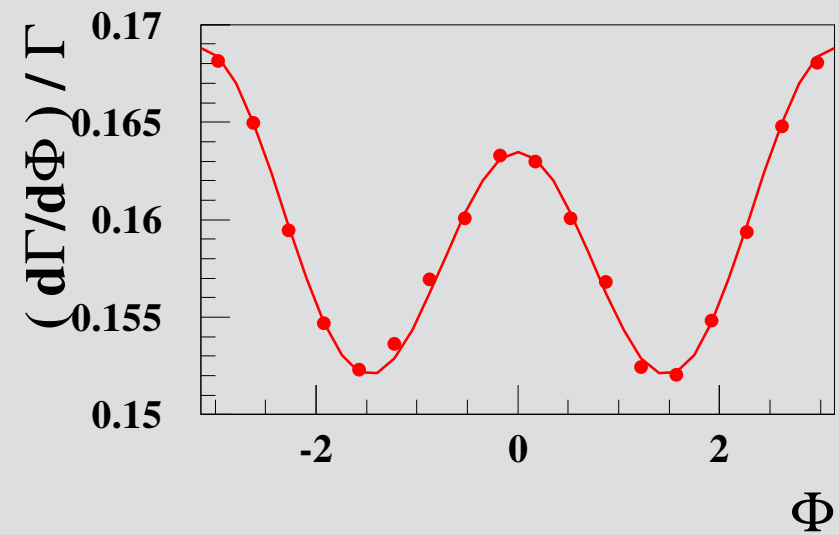
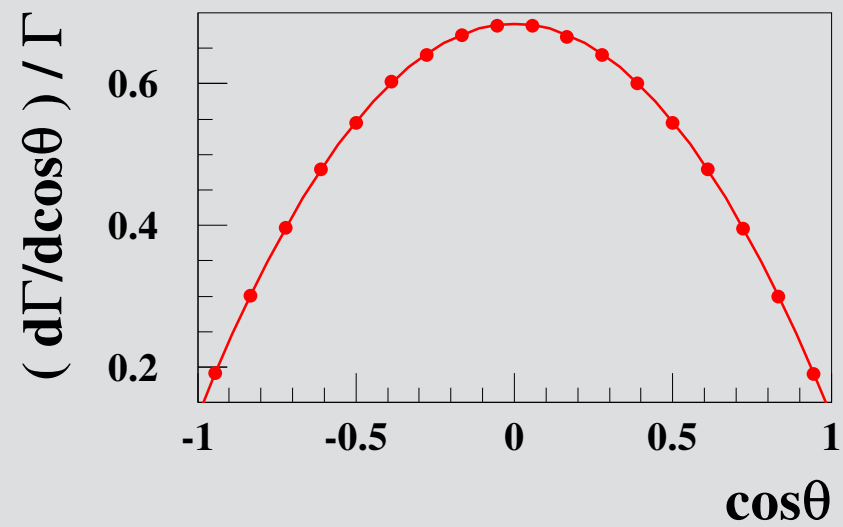
- * $S_{1,2,3}$ are CP conserving because one coupling is nonzero.
- * $S_{4,5}$ are CP violating.
- * S_6 : parameters are chosen s.t. they contribute equally to amplitude squared. $\langle 0 \rangle$ is enhanced for large M_H .

Non-vanishing R's

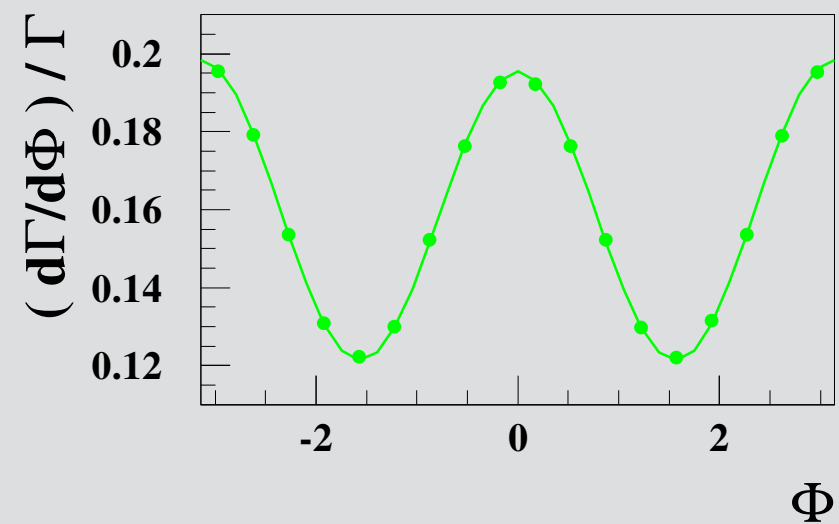
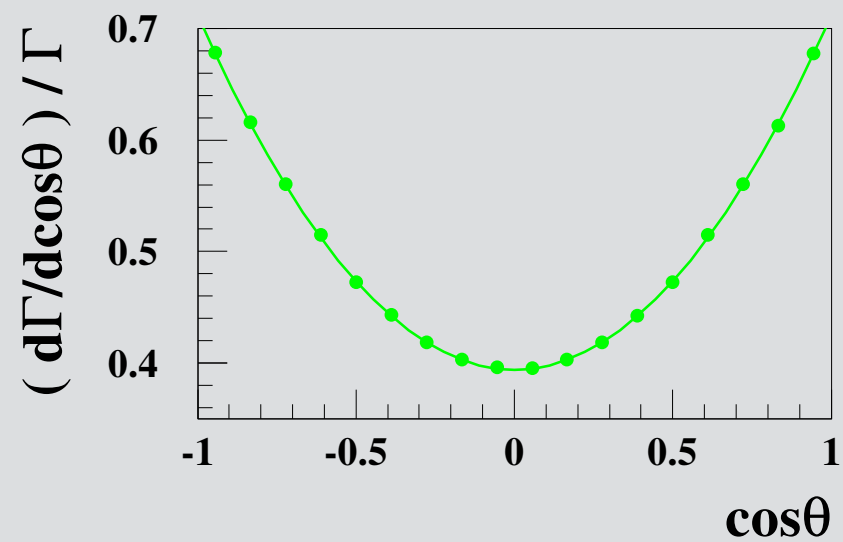
	g_{HZZ}	S_H^{ZZ}	P_H^{ZZ}	$\overline{R}_1[++]$	$\overline{R}_3[++]$	$\overline{R}_4[++]$	$\overline{R}_5[-+]$	$\overline{R}_8[++]$	$\overline{R}_9[-+]$	$(\overline{C}_1 + \overline{C}_3)[++]$
S1	1	0	0	0.176	0.824	−0.538	0.00	0.176	0.00	11.4
S2	0	1	0	0.950	0.0505	−0.310	0.00	0.945	0.00	1.20
S3	0	0	1	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	−1.00	0.00	1.02
S4	0	1	1	0.973	0.0273	−0.168	0.158	0.0547	−0.971	2.21
S5	0	1	−1	0.973	0.0273	−0.168	−0.158	0.0547	0.971	2.21
S6	0.32	1	1	0.721	0.280	0.330	−0.542	−0.331	−0.640	1.93

CP Conserving

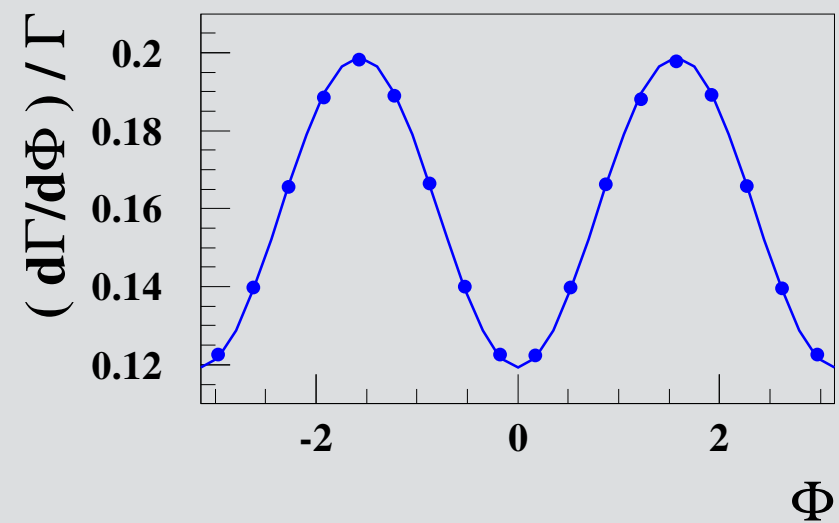
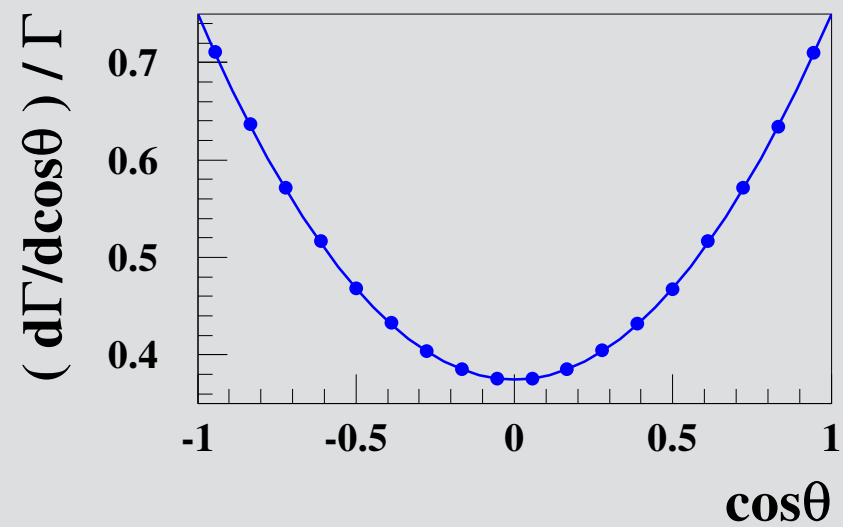
$S_1 (1,0,0)$



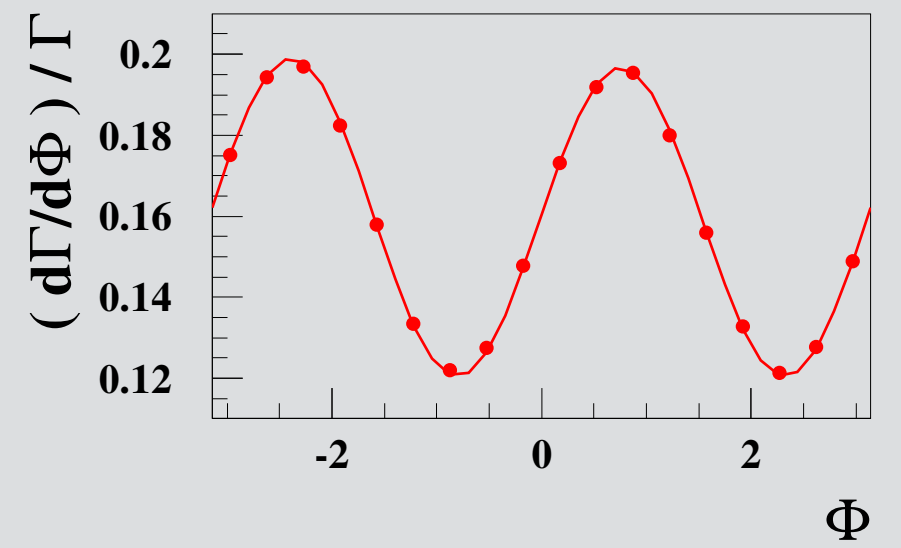
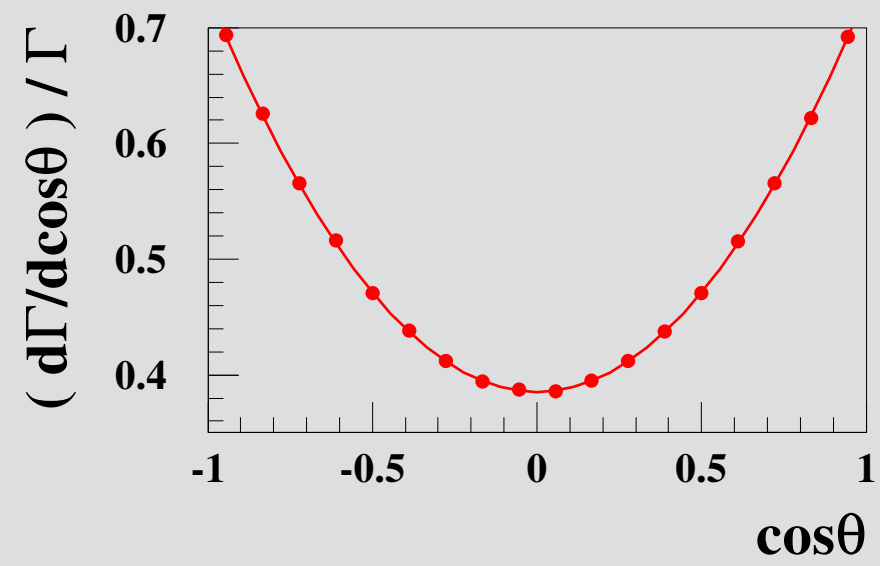
$S_2 (0,1,0)$



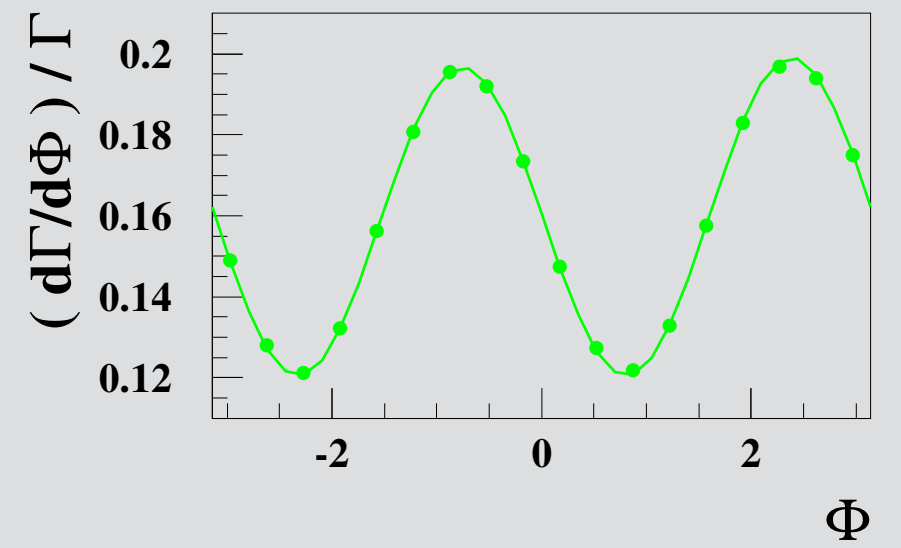
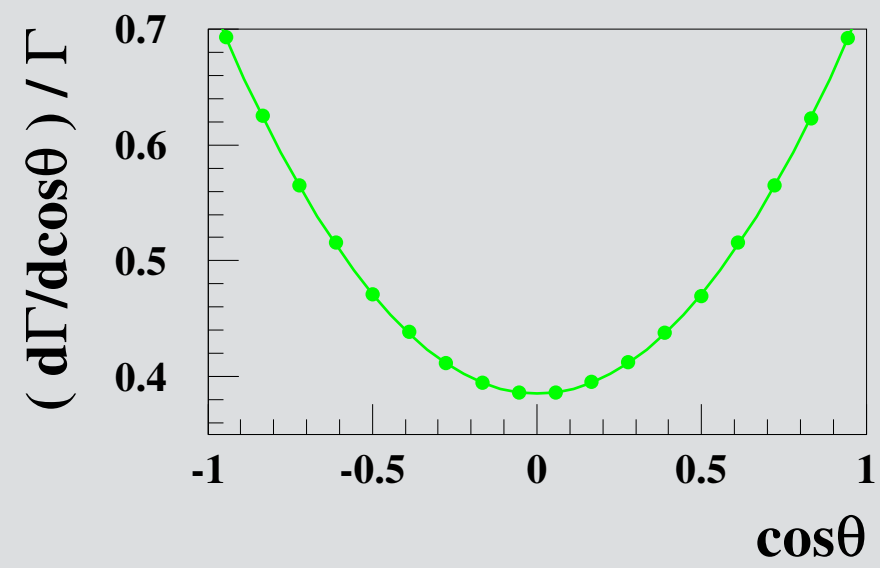
$S_3 (0,0,1)$



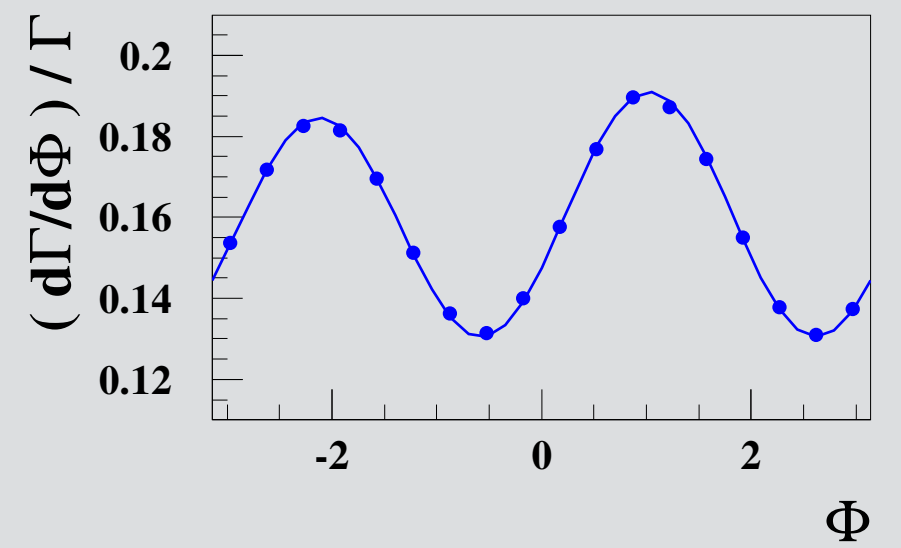
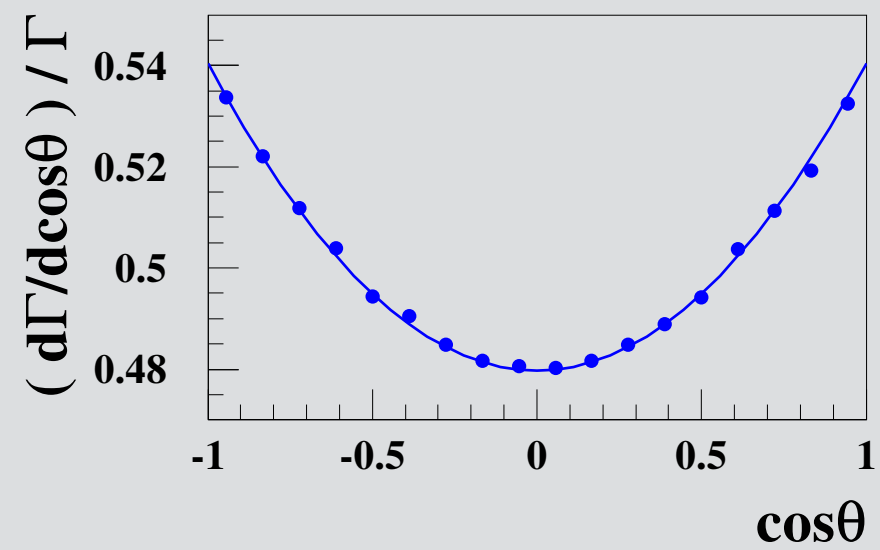
$S_4 (0,1,1)$



$S_5 (0,1,-1)$



$S_6 (0.32,1,1)$



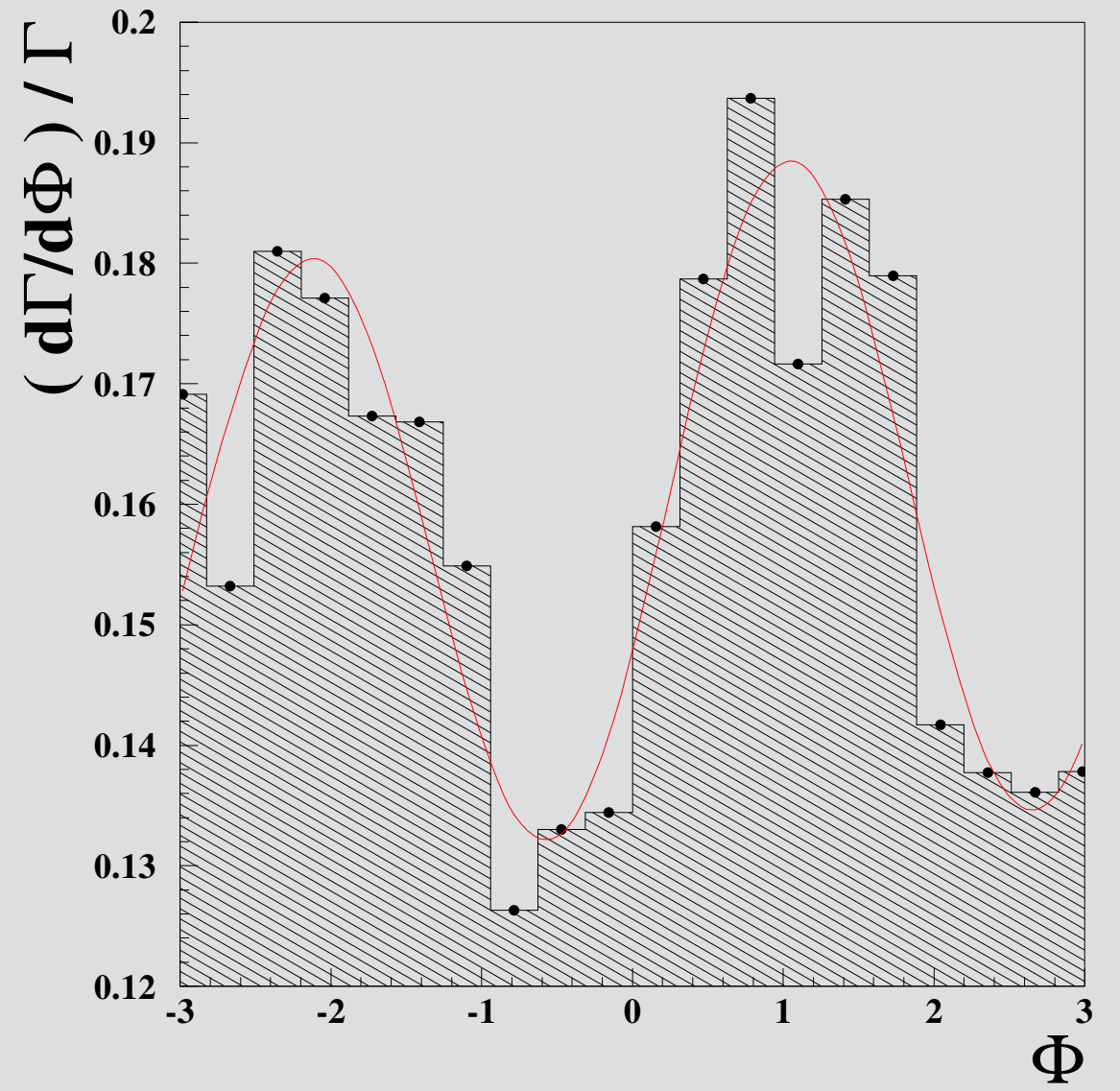
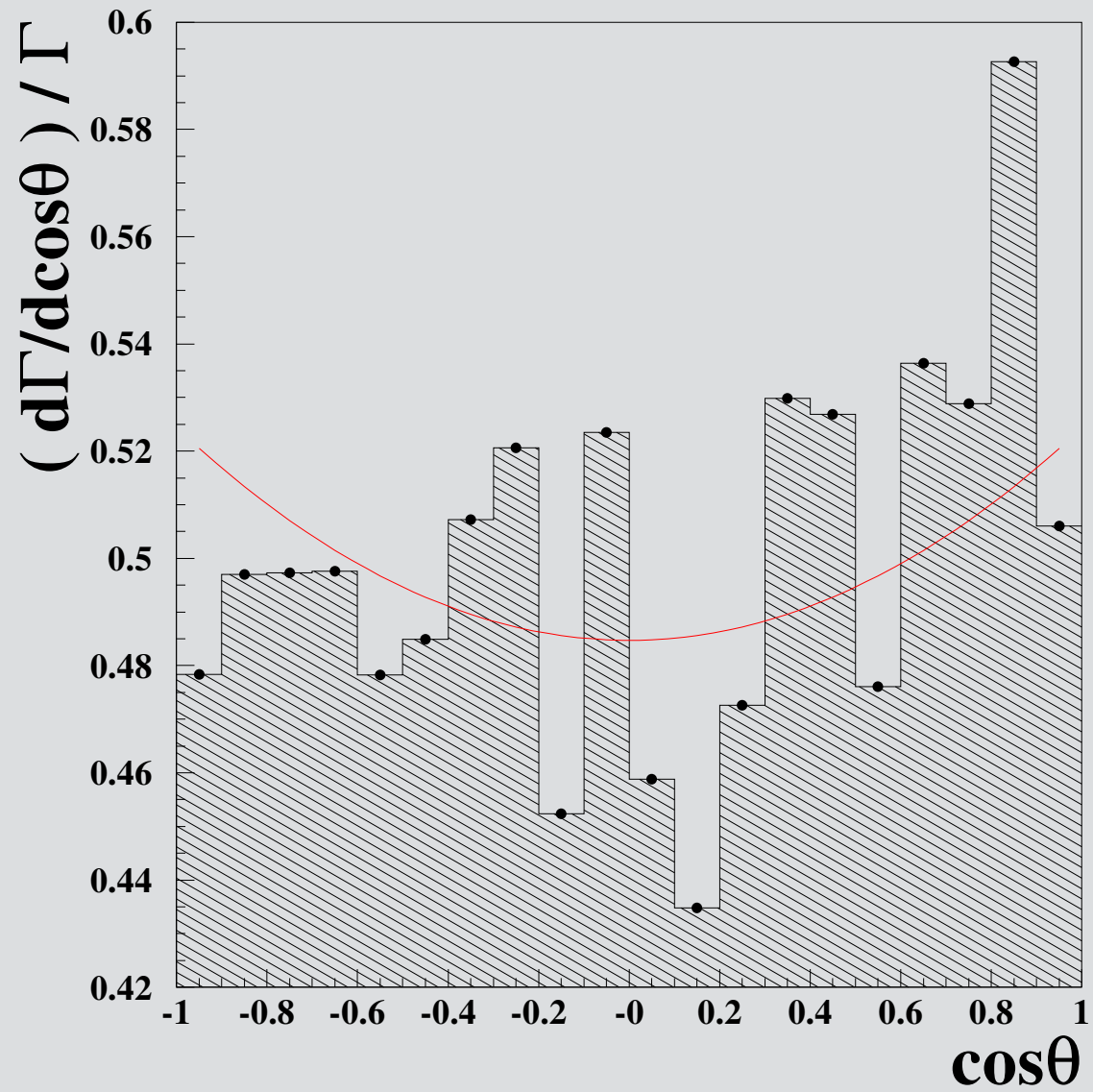
Illustrate the measurement in S6

S6 with $(g_{HZZ}, S_H^{ZZ}, P_H^{ZZ}) = (0.32, 1, 1)$

Current upper limit: $\sigma(gg \rightarrow H) \cdot B(H \rightarrow ZZ) \simeq 1$ pb for a 260 GeV Higgs boson

$$\sigma(gg \rightarrow H) \cdot B(H \rightarrow ZZ) \cdot 4[B(Z \rightarrow \ell\ell)]^2 \cdot \epsilon_{4\ell} \cdot \mathcal{L} \simeq 10^4$$

We take 10^4 events in the following, and angular resolution of $\cos\text{-}\theta = 0.1$, $\Phi = 0.1\pi$.



S6	$\bar{R}_1[++]$	$\bar{R}_3[++]$	$\bar{R}_4[++]$	$\bar{R}_5[-+]$	$\bar{R}_8[++]$	$\bar{R}_9[-+]$	$(\bar{C}_1 + \bar{C}_3)[++]$
Input	0.721	0.280	0.330	-0.542	-0.331	-0.640	1.93
Output (center value)	0.699	0.297	0.196	-0.832	-0.305	-0.564	1.93
Output (parabolic error)	± 0.018	± 0.011	± 0.443	± 0.461	± 0.057	± 0.056	± 0.386

$\bar{R}_1$ and $\bar{R}_3$ is $\rho = -0.805$,

Fit to the original inputs g_{HZZ} , S_{H}^{ZZ} , P_{H}^{ZZ}

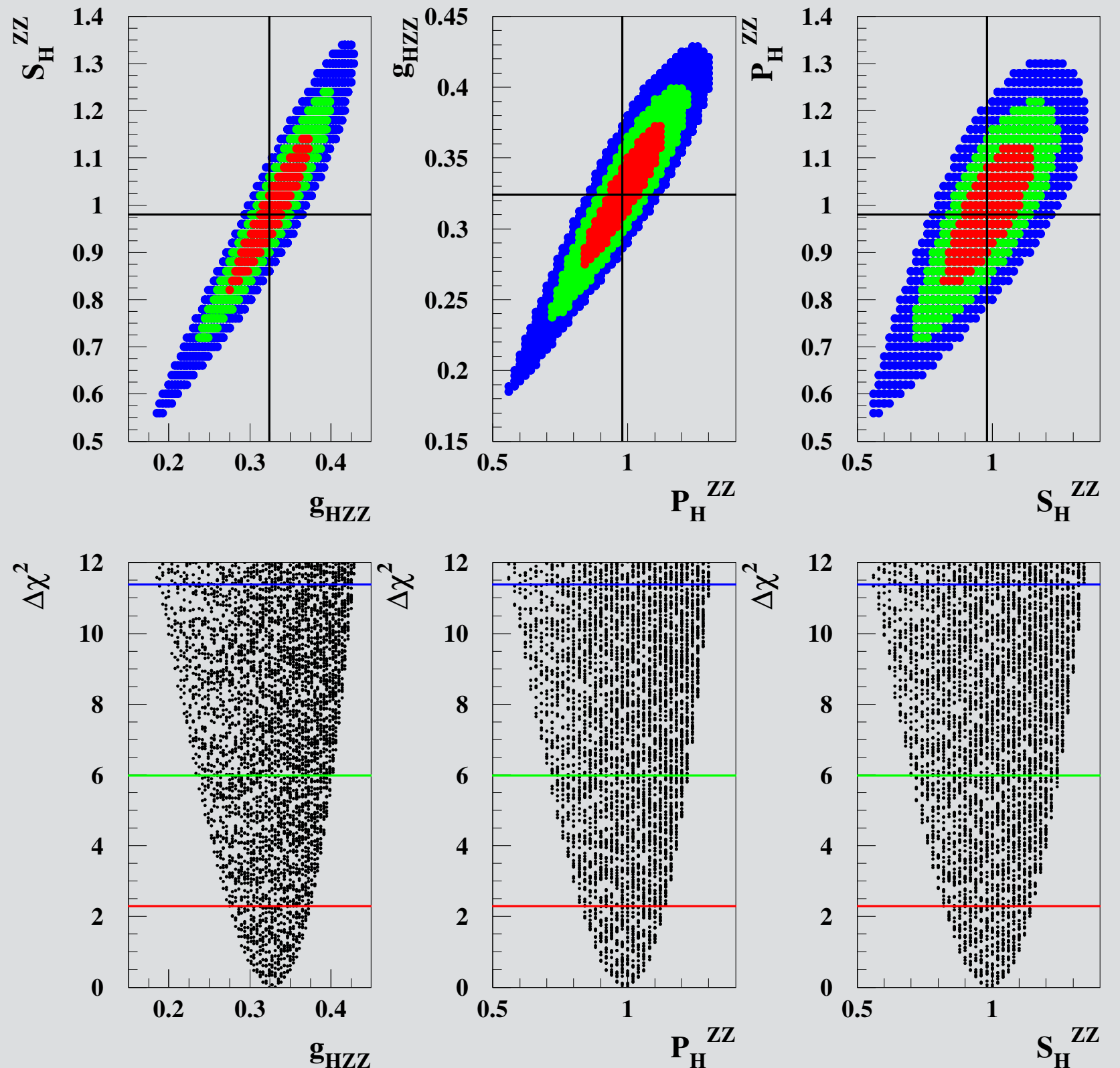
Best Fit

$$g_{HZZ}=0.324\pm0.031$$

$$S_{H}^{ZZ}=0.980\pm0.11$$

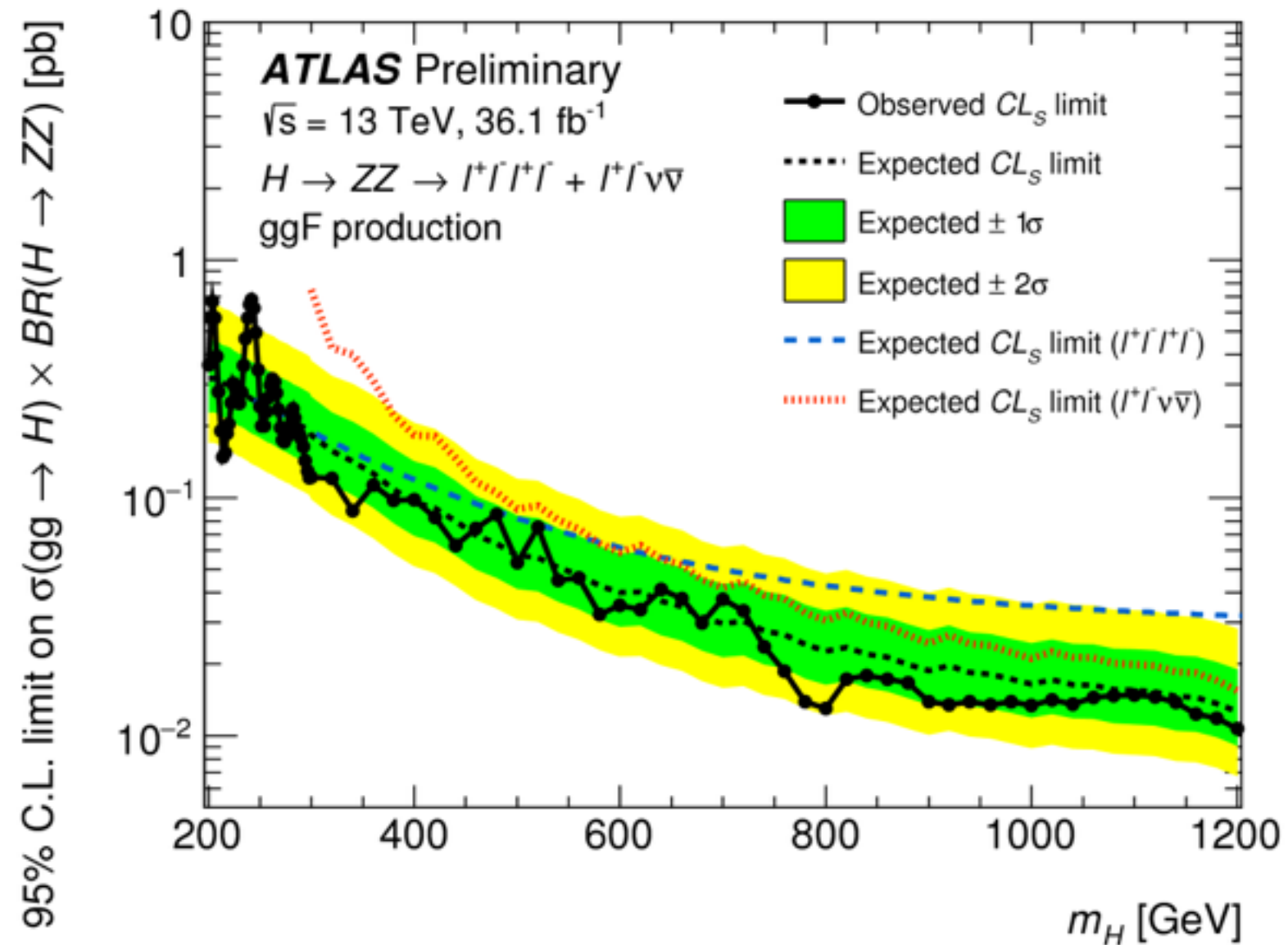
$$P_{H}^{ZZ}=0.980\pm0.10$$

10% error for
 10^4 events



The upper limit around 240–270 GeV is 0.5 pb, corresponding to about 3000 events at HL-LHC.

The uncertainty will increase to 20%.



Summary

- The angular distributions of $\theta_{1,2}$ and Φ can be analysed and fitted to the observables R_i 's and then to Higgs couplings.
- With 10^4 $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ events one can determine the couplings g_{HZZ} , S^{ZZ}_H and P^{ZZ}_H with 10% uncertainty. With 3000 events uncertainty goes down to 20%.
- Appearance of C_2 signals new particles with mass $< M_H/2$ running in the loop.
- One can also extend to 2-dim distributions to analyse other observables $R_{6,7}$.