# Higgs-self coupling highlights from CMS





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### $\lambda_{HHH}$ : what, why, and where?

### **Direct HH searches**

### Indirect $\lambda_{HHH}$ effects

### Outlook and conclusions

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The Higgs mechanism is the most economical way to endow fundamental particles with mass while keeping the SM gauge invariant and predictive

The **Higgs field** is responsible for the spontaneous breaking of electroweak symmetry

$$V_{H} = \mu^{2} + \frac{\mu^{2}}{\nu}H^{3} + \frac{\mu^{2}}{4\nu}H^{4} - \frac{1}{4}\mu^{2}\nu^{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}m_{H}^{2} + \lambda_{HHH}\nu H^{3} + \lambda_{HHHH}H^{4} - \frac{1}{8}m_{H}^{2}$$



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### BUT

Thanks to ever-improving reconstruction techniques and identification methods we are gradually escaping these two constraints!







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Complementary searches to constrain BSM models:

 $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow \gamma \gamma \gamma \gamma \gamma$ [JHEP07 (2023) 148] [arXiv:2209.06197v1]

 $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow bb\tau\tau + bb\mu\mu$  [CMS-PAS-HIG-21-021] [CMS-PAS-HIG-22-007]

Check out Stephanie's talk tomorrow morning

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- Non-resonant, resolved topology Phys. Rev. Lett. 129.081802  $HH \rightarrow bbbb *$ Non-resonant, boosted topology Phys. Rev. Lett. 131.041803 Non-resonant, VHH production CMS-PAS-HIG-22-006 Resonant X $\rightarrow$ YH Phys. Lett. B 842.137392
- $HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau^*$ Non-resonant Phys. Lett. B 842.137531

Resonant X $\rightarrow$ YH JHEP 11 (2021) 057

 $HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma^*$ Non-resonant <u>JHEP 03 (2021) 257</u>

Resonant X→YH CMS-PAS-HIG-21-011

- $HH \rightarrow bbZZ *$ Non-resonant <u>JHEP 06 (2023) 130</u> Resonant Phys. Rev. D. 102.032003
- $HH \rightarrow bbWW$ Non-resonant + Resonant CMS-PAS-HIG-21-005 Resonant JHEP 05 (2022) 005
- Non-resonant CMS-PAS-HIG-21-014  $HH \rightarrow WW\gamma\gamma$
- $HH \rightarrow WWWW + WW\tau\tau + \tau\tau\tau\tau^*$  Non-resonant + Resonant JHEP 07 (2023) 095

**HH combination** <u>Nature 607 (2022) 60</u> (uses only starred \* final states)















- At NLO EW correction H boson production includes processes sensitive to  $\lambda_{HHH}$
- ttH, tH, and VH have the largest sensitivity owing to large t/V masses
- Independently targeted only by one analysis  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \ell \ell \ell \ell \ell$
- Combined result obtained in Nature H combination
- One future projection in  $\gamma\gamma$  final state

**Differential H** $\rightarrow$ **ZZ** $\rightarrow$ *llep* 08 (2023) 040 **H combination** Nature 607 (2022) 60 **Projections ttH+tH, H** $\rightarrow$   $\gamma\gamma$  <u>CMS-PAS-FTR-18-020</u>

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#### $HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$

- Tiny Br = 0.3% + very good purity
- B-jets ID with DeepJet
- Purely kinematical signal region definition
- $(m_{bb}, m_{\gamma\gamma})$  2D maximum likelihood fit
- 95% CL upper limit on  $\sigma_{HH}/\sigma_{HH}^{SM} = 7.7(5.2)$
- 95% CL upper limit on  $\sigma_{VBF} / \sigma_{VBF}^{SM} = 225(208)$
- $\kappa_{\lambda} \in [-3.3, +8.5]$

#### JHEP 03 (2021) 257



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#### $HH \rightarrow bbZZ^{-}$

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- BDT used for signal extraction
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### **Direct HH searches : the combination**

- Early Run-2 95% CL upper limit was  $12.8 \times \sigma_{HH}^{SM} \rightarrow$  simple luminosity scaling would predict  $6.5 \times \sigma_{HH}^{SM}$  with full Run-2 dataset
- Combined Run-2 result is  $2.5 \times \sigma_{HH}^{SM}$
- Much better than simple lumi scaling owing to:
  - DeepJet, DeepTau, ParticleNet
  - Improved L1 and HLT triggers
  - **Detector upgrades** (happened in 2016 YETS)
  - Improved analysis with extensive use of ML





•  $\kappa_{\lambda} \in [-1.24, +6.49]$ 

### $\kappa_{2V} \in [0.67, +1.38]$

Both results obtained with all other couplings set to SM prediction, i.e.  $\kappa = 1$ 

### **VVHH coupling** established at $6.6\sigma$ significance level









### **VHH** | **HH** $\rightarrow$ **bbbb**

- First ever analysis at CMS to target a production mechanism other ggF and VBF
- **Tiny event yield : SM predicts 110 VHH events in Run-2**
- 4 channels based on V decay:
  - (MET)  $Z \rightarrow \nu \nu$ , (1L)  $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$
  - (2L)  $Z \rightarrow \ell \ell$  , (FH) W/Z $\rightarrow$ qq
- Signal regions (SRs), control regions, and sidebands defined on onedimensional distance from where both H masses are 125 GeV
- SRs further categorised base on number of b-jets, and based on BDT selection to enhance  $\kappa$  sensitivity
- **BDT** and **DNN** used for signal extraction in 2L+1L and  $\mathbb{E}$ respectively
- 95% CL upper limit  $\sigma_{VHH} / \sigma_{VHH}^{SM} = 294 (124)$
- $\kappa_{\lambda} \in [-37.7, 37.2]([-30.1, 28.9]) \kappa_{2V} \in [-12.2, 3.9]$
- $\kappa_{2Z} \in [-17.4, 18.5]([-10.5, 11.6]) \kappa_{2W} \in [-14.0]$

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### **Direct HH searches : the new-comers** $HH \rightarrow bbWW$

- **Second largest Br = 25%**
- Multijet, tt, t, and DY backgrounds
- 2 channels based on W decay: single- or doublelepton
- Final categorisation based on **DNN multi**classifier with boosted and resolved categories
- All categories simultaneously fitted

• 
$$\sigma_{HH} / \sigma_{HH}^{SM} = 18 (14) - \sigma_{VBF} / \sigma_{VBF}^{SM} = 27$$

- $\kappa_{\lambda} \in [-7.2, 13.8]([-8.7, 15.2])$
- $\kappa_{2V} \in [-1.1, 3.2]([-0.9, 3.0]) \longrightarrow$



CMS-PAS-HIG-21-005



### Interval comparable to $bb\gamma\gamma$ analysis

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### Direct HH searches : the hew comers HH) / o Theory $HH \rightarrow WW\gamma\gamma$ CMS-PAS-HIG-21-014

- Very small Br = 0.1% + good  $\gamma\gamma$  selection
- CMS Preliminary  $t\bar{t}\gamma, \gamma/\gamma\gamma$  and single hold single hol
- 3 channels based on W decaye fully hadronic (FH), one leptons (FL
- Final categorisation based on DNN multiclassifier in FH and SL, fully cut based in FL channel
- All categories simultaneously fitted
- $\sigma_{HH}/\sigma_{HH}^{SM} = 397$ -10 0 10
- $\kappa_{\lambda} \in [-25.8, 24.1]([-14.4, 18.3])$

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# **Indirect** $\lambda_{HHH}$ effects

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### **Outlook : Run-3 trigger improvements Direct HH searches**

New trigger : N > 4 jets with  $p_T > 30$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4 \land \sum p_T > 280$  GeV  $\land$  (ParticleNet b-tag score)<sub>jets</sub> > 0.55

- events at 180 Hz at an instantaneous luminosity of  $2.0 \times 10^{34}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>
- **CMS** means higher integrated luminosity at higher selection efficiency!

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• Data parking : allows a higher rate and acceptance at the cost of delayed reconstruction, this new HLT trigger records

Considerable improvement in HH $\rightarrow$ bbbb and HH $\rightarrow$ bb $\tau\tau$  channels: up to 57% improvement in efficiency  $\rightarrow$  Run-3 for

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### Conclusions

- expectation

### • $\kappa_{\lambda} \in [-1.24, + 6.49]$ current tightest constraint at CMS

- searches in Run-3
- Run-3 also constitutes an important test-bench for new ideas that will ultimately be deployed at the HL-LHC

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### Probing $\lambda_{HHH}$ is one of the main goals we have for the coming years

### **Run-2** analyses showcased an impressive improvement over the previous

HH and H+HH combinations are being performed and will become public soon

Run-3 is underway and constitutes a huge opportunity to further improve the results we have from Run-2, possibly reaching unexpected goals

Important trigger improvements have already been introduced for HH

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