

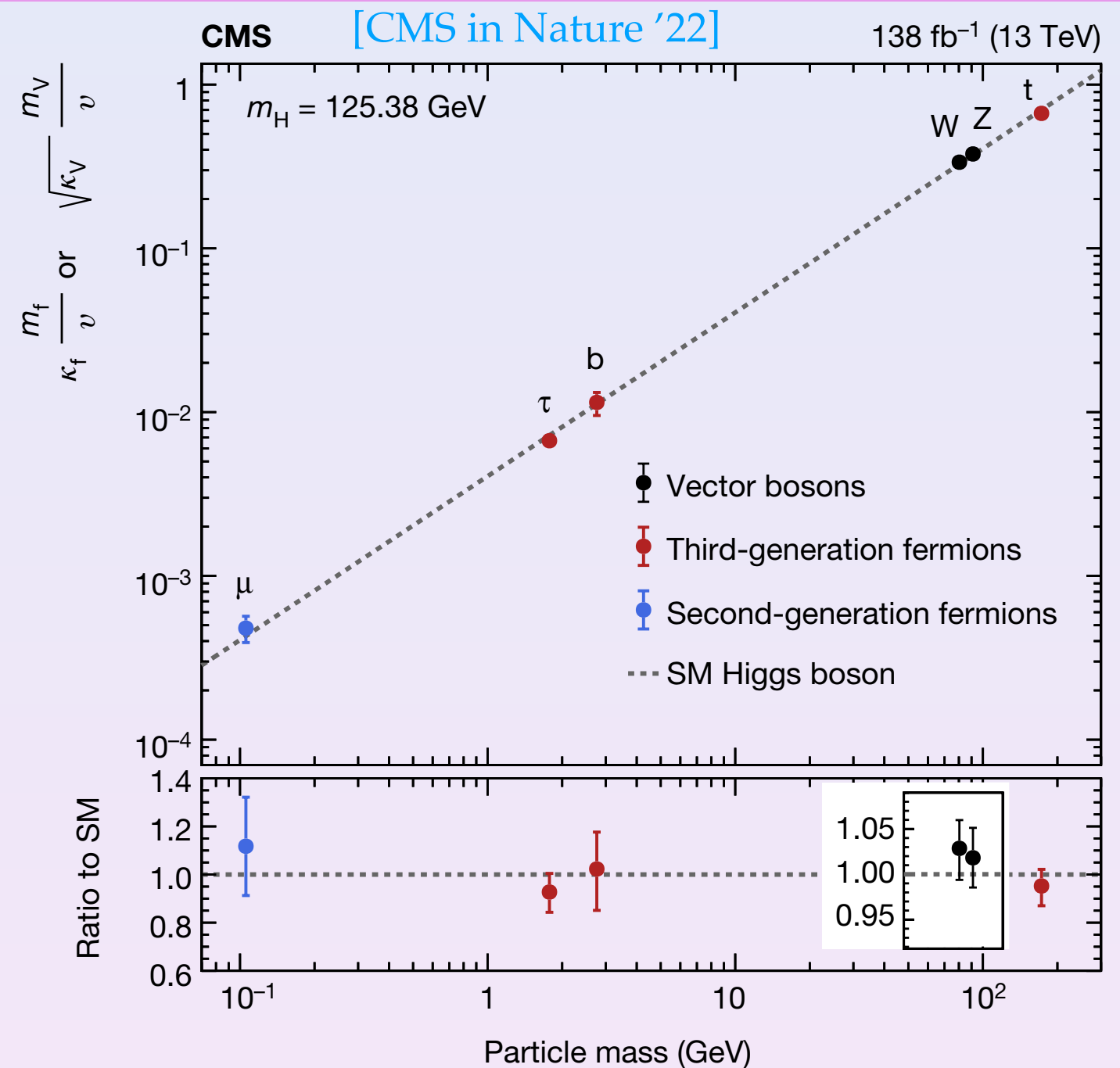
# Multi Higgs Production and Models

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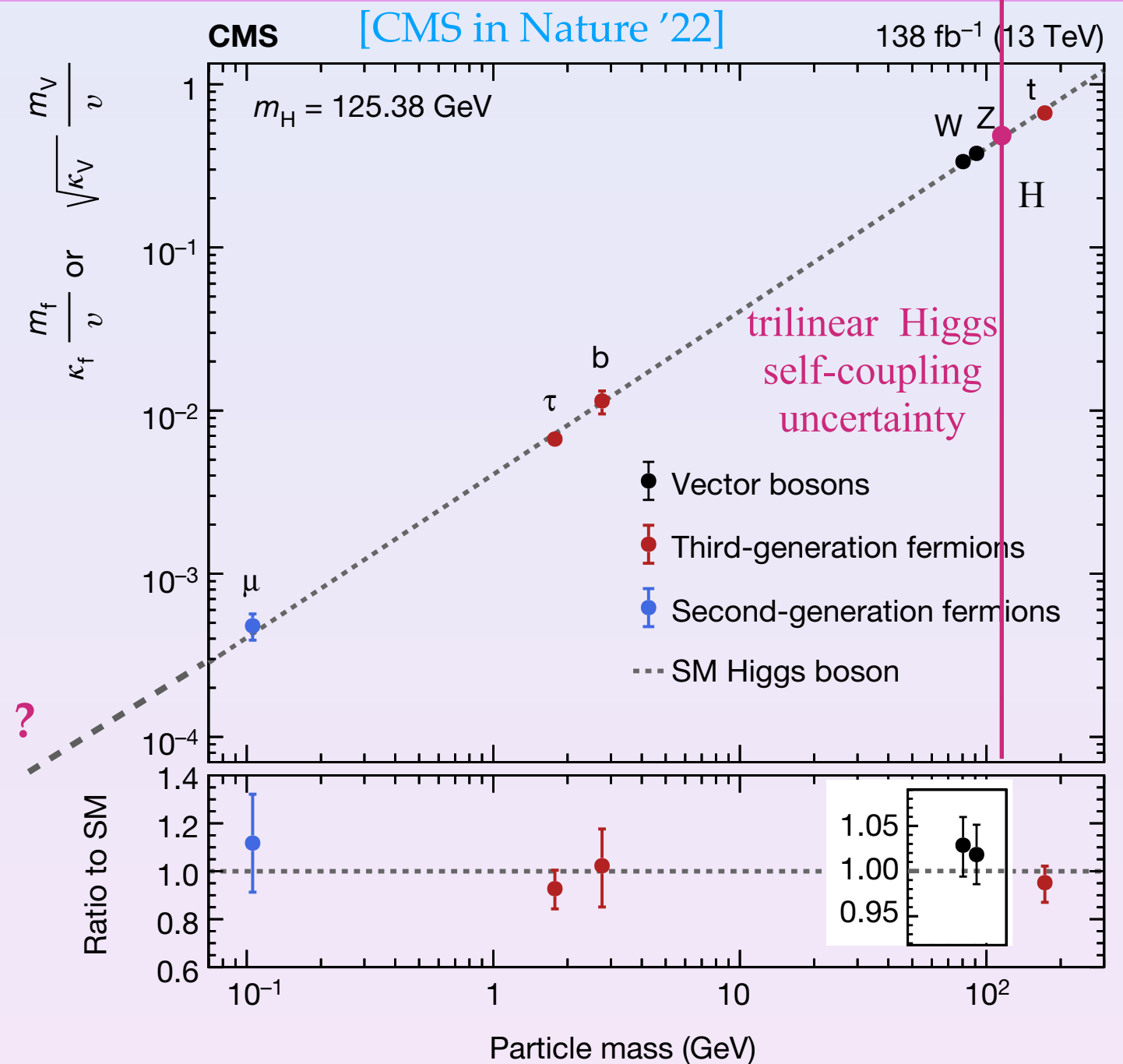
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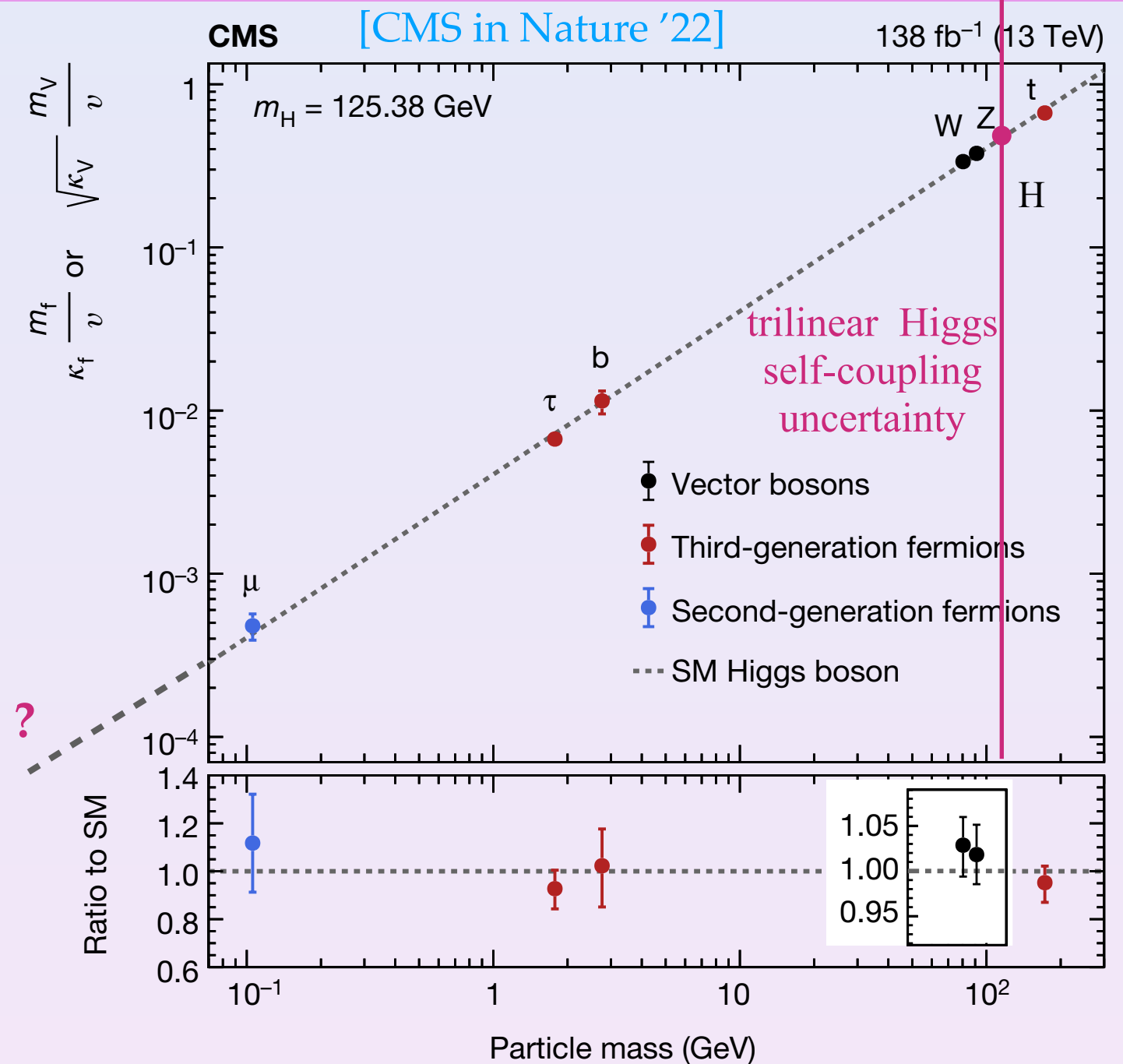
Higgs self-couplings **basically unconstrained**

$$-1.7 < \lambda_{hhh} / \lambda_{hhh}^{SM} < 6.6 \quad [\text{ATLAS '25}]$$

type of coupling never measured  
implications for baryogenesis

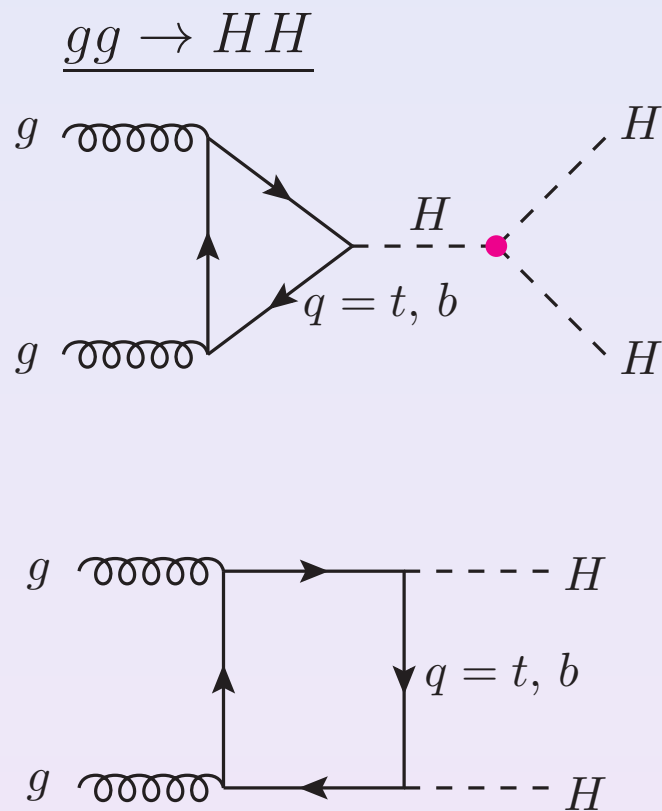
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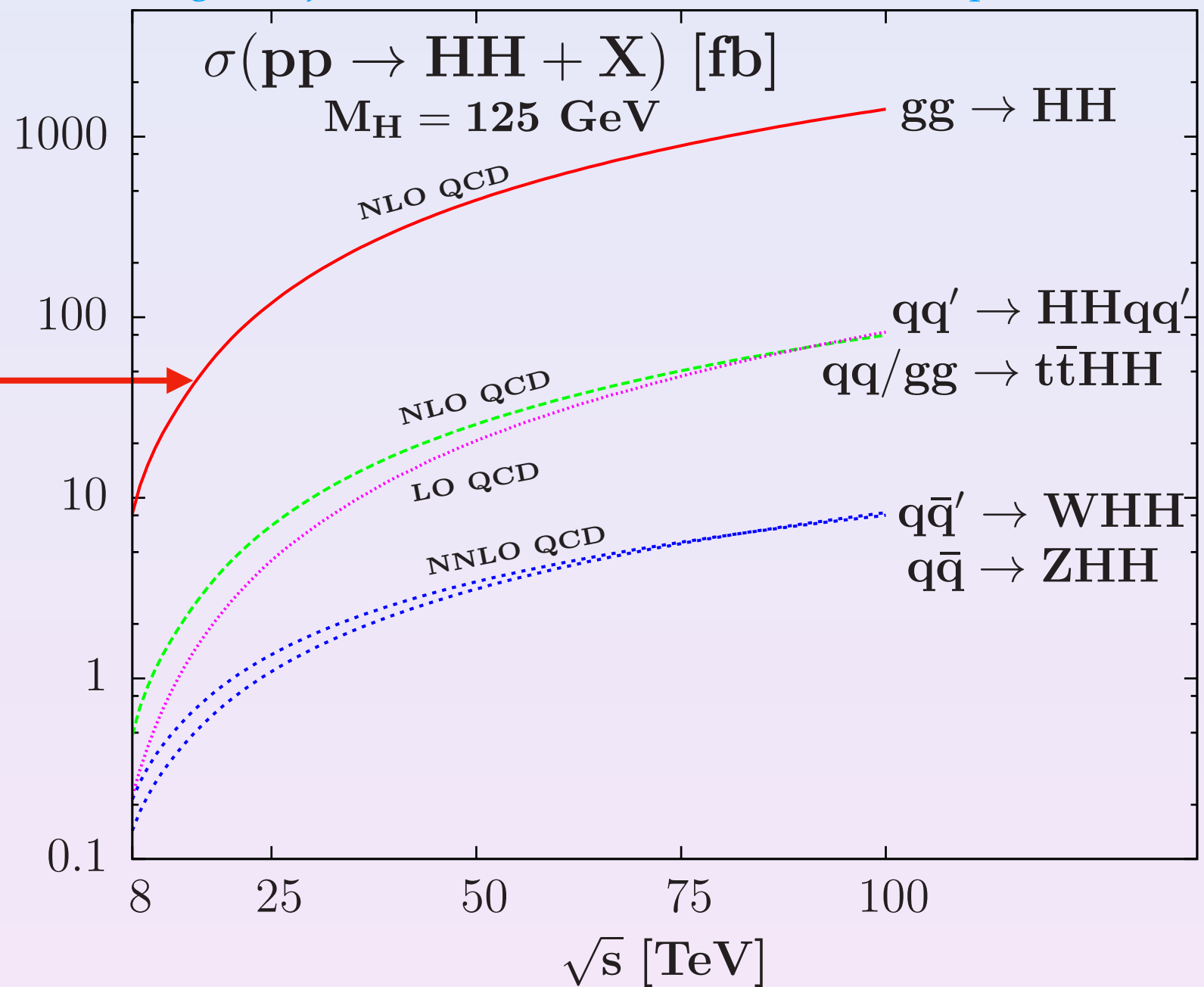
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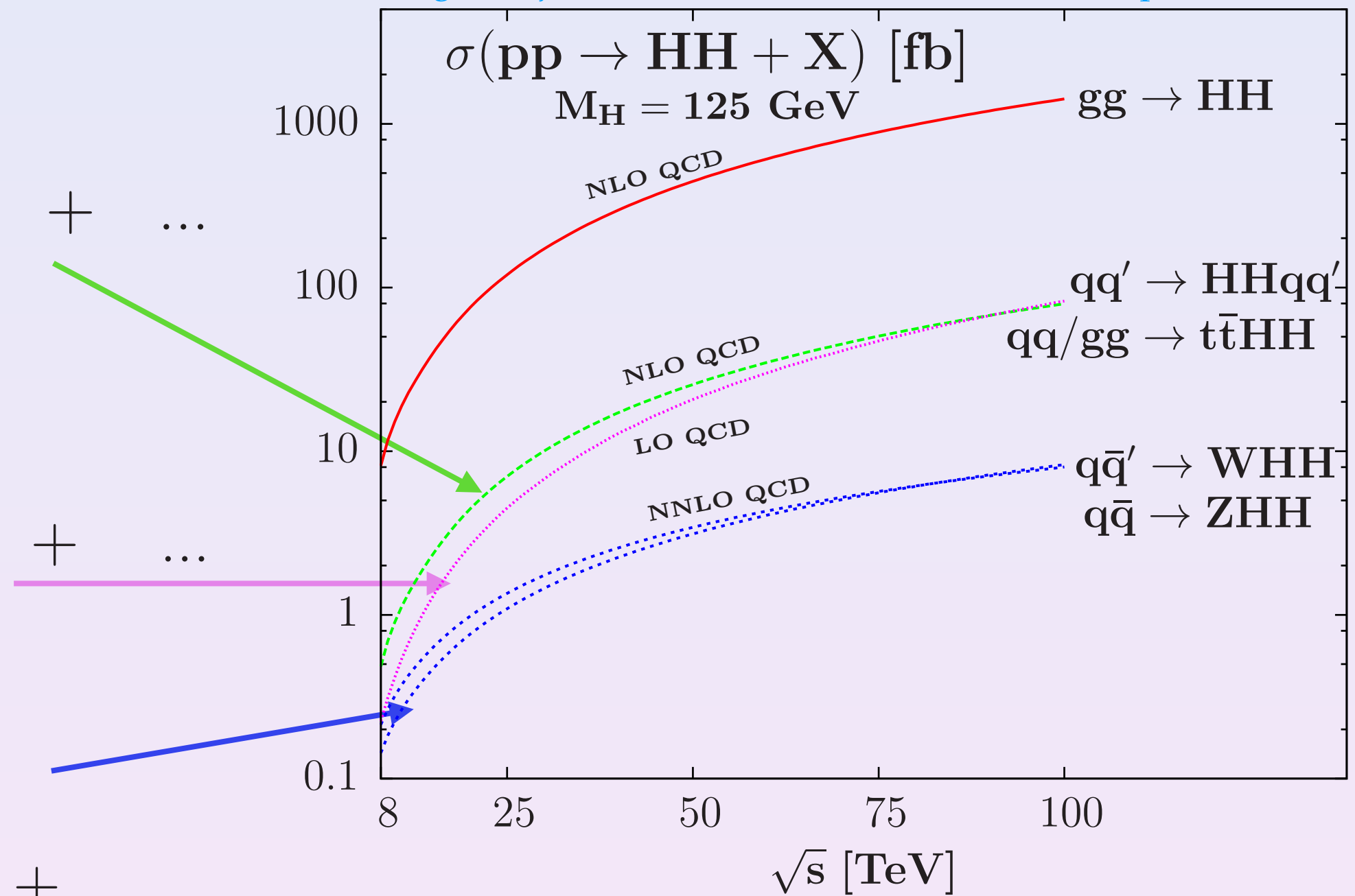
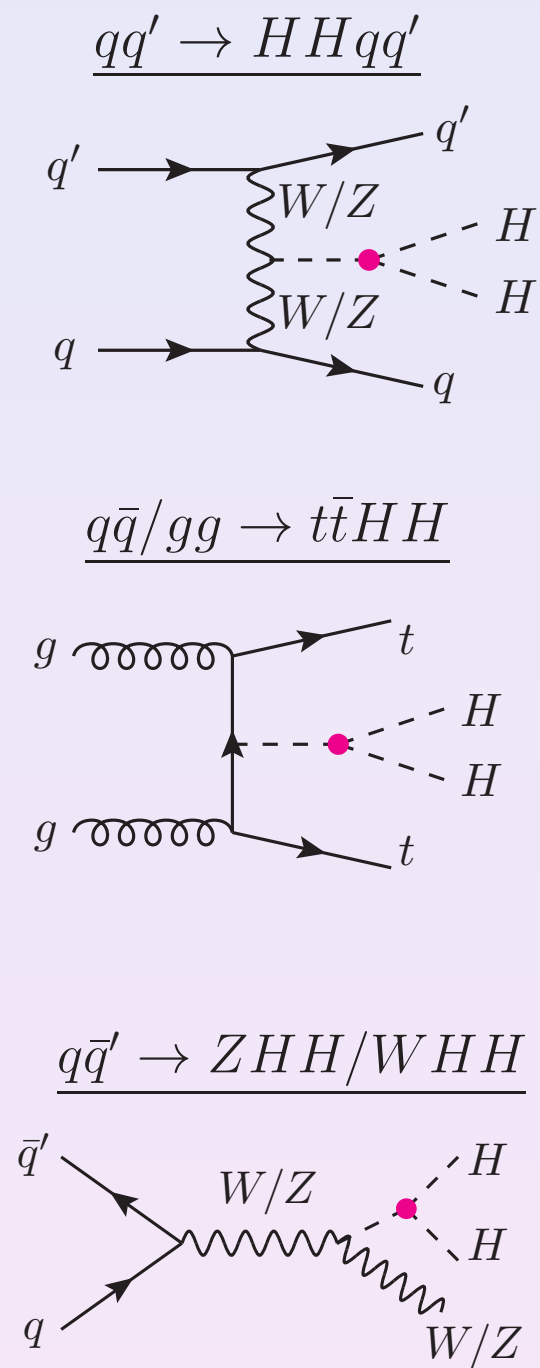
Small cross section

Difficult to measure

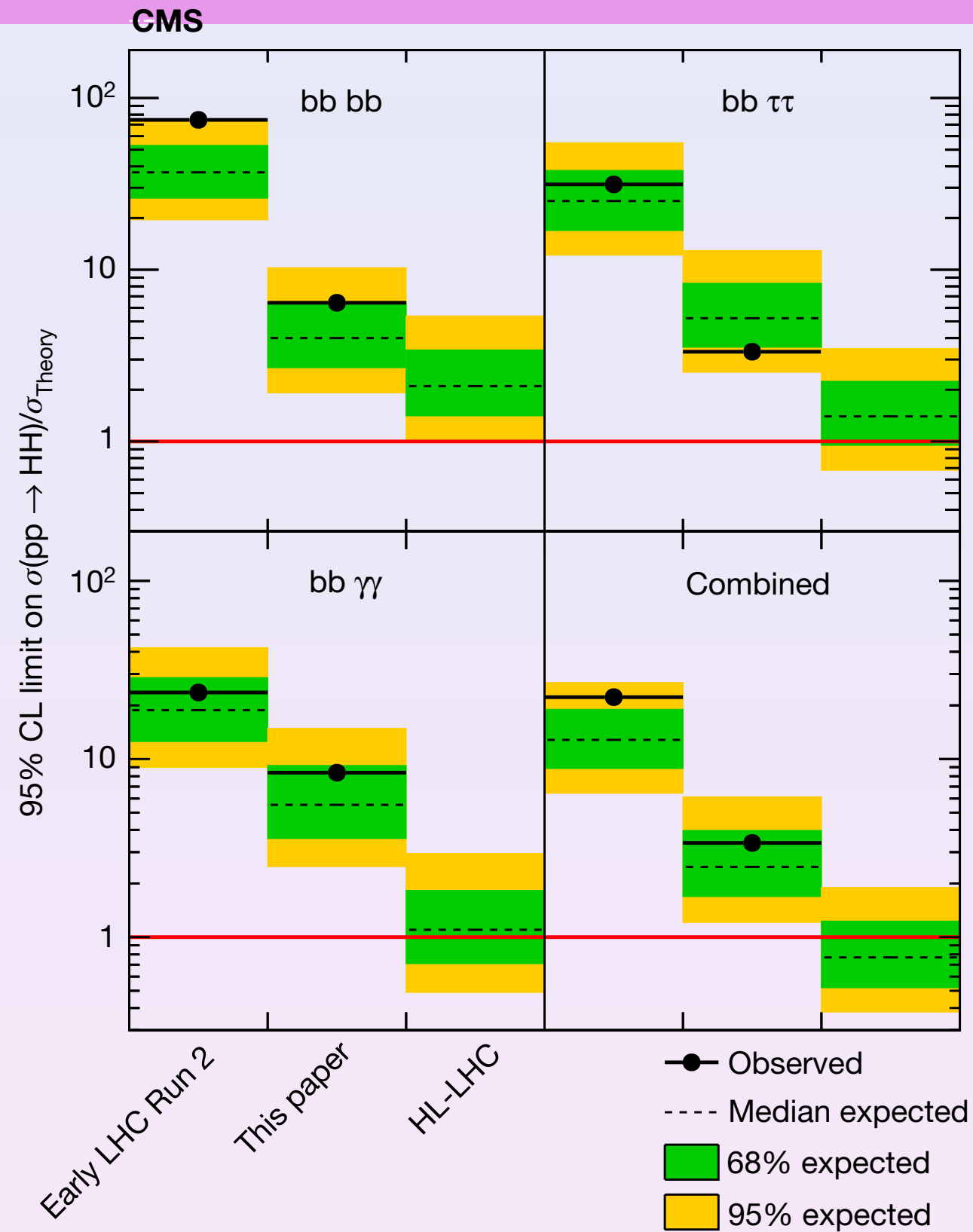


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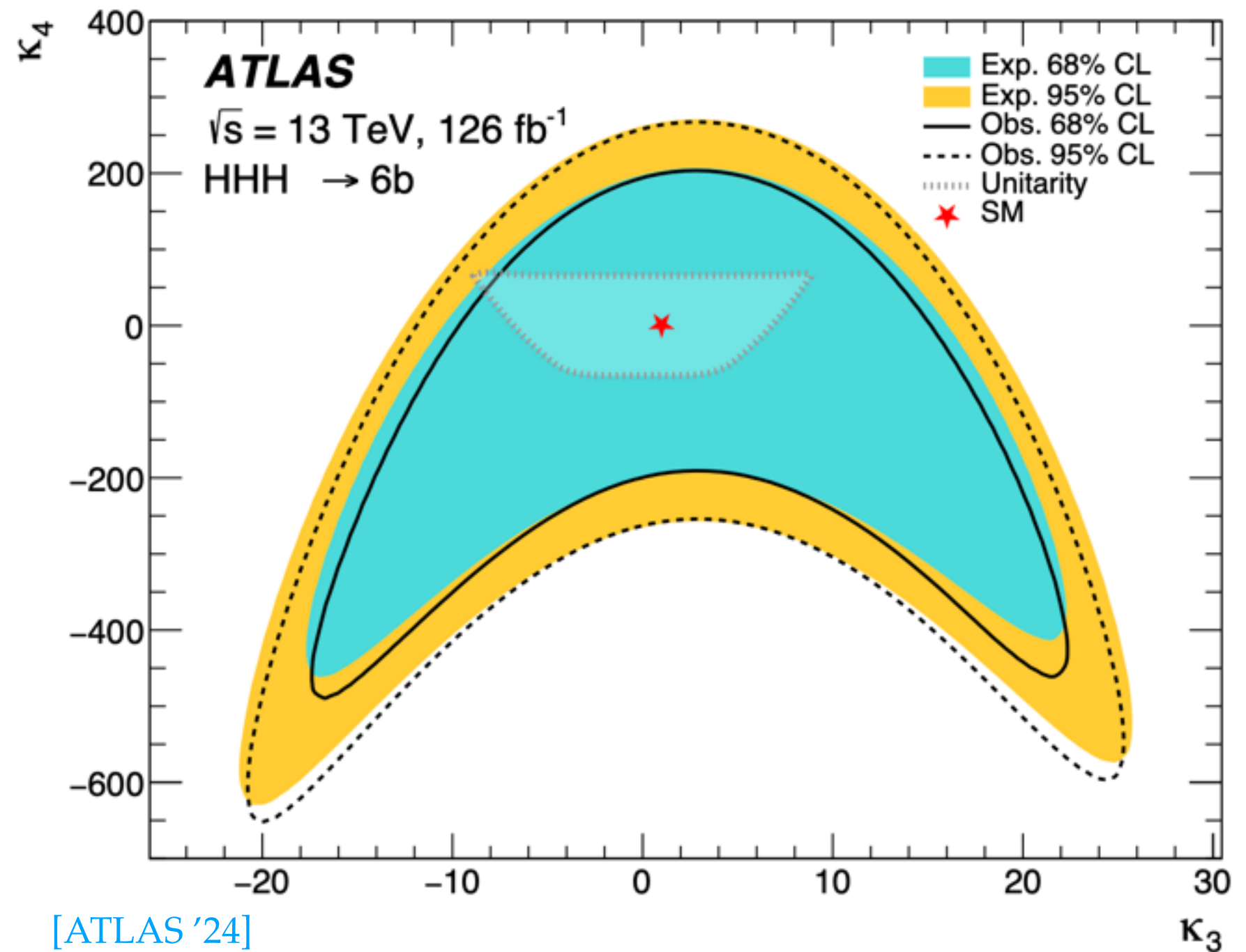
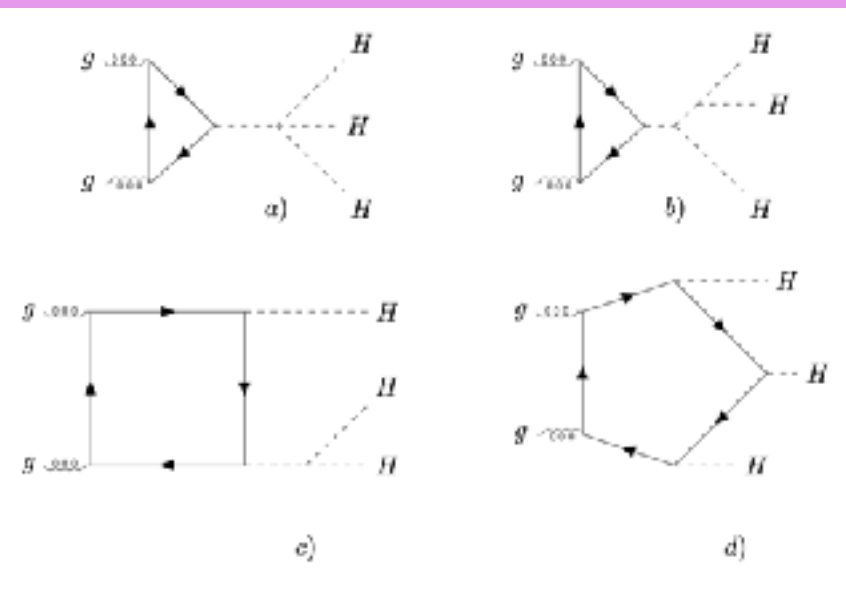


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[CMS Nature '22]

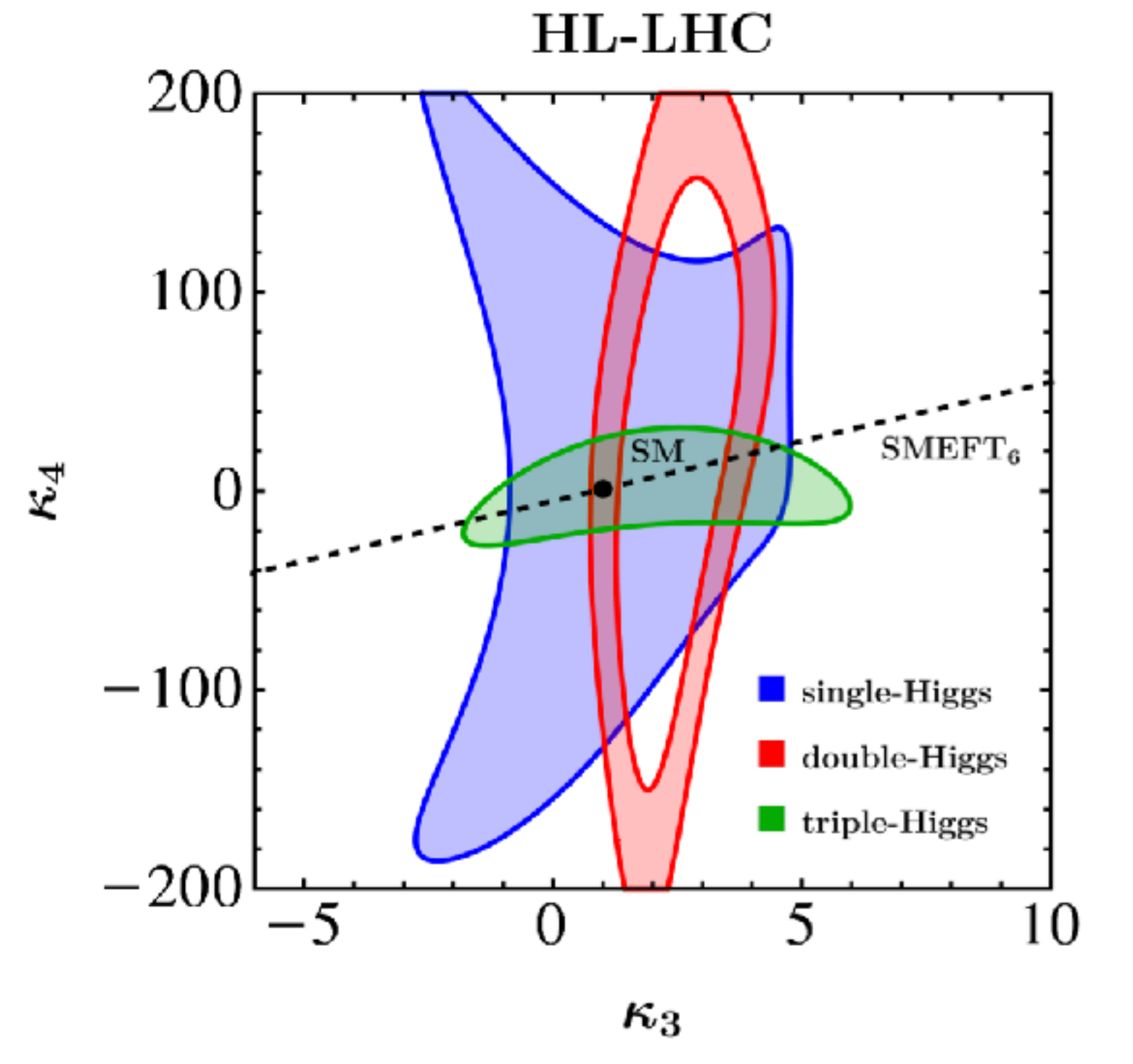
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[ATLAS '24]

# Complementarity Multi-H Production

[Haisch, Sankar, Zanderighi '25]

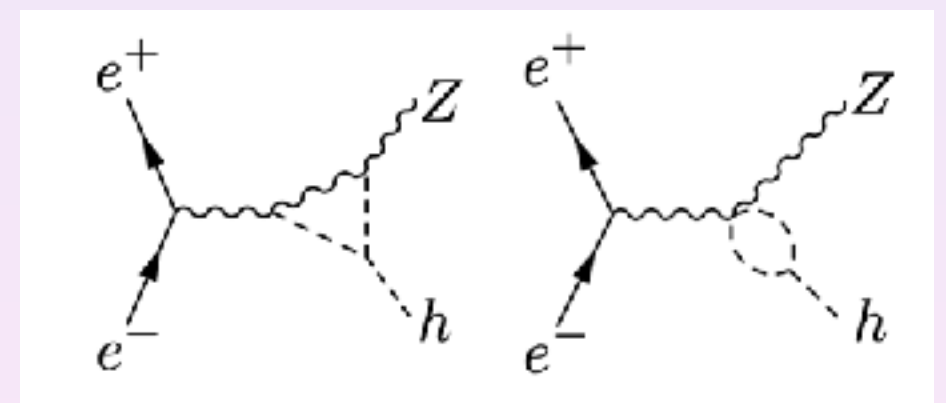


Indirect probes via electroweak corrections

Complementarity between different probes

What do we really learn from triple Higgs production in terms of self-couplings?

at the FCC-ee only indirect probe of  $\kappa_3$   
Sufficient?



# Precision in di-Higgs Production

$$\sigma_{SM}(13.6 \text{ TeV}) = 34.13^{+6\%}_{-23\%} \text{ fb} \pm 2.3 \%$$

NNLO QCD FT<sub>approx</sub>

[Grazzini et al. '18]

known up to N<sup>3</sup>LO in infinite top mass

[Chen, Li, Shan, Wang '19; Ajjath, Shao '22]

at NLO QCD in full top mass

[numeric: Borowka et al '16; Baglio et al. '18;  
expansions: Bagnaschi, Degrassi, RG '23; Davies,  
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various efforts for the EW corrections

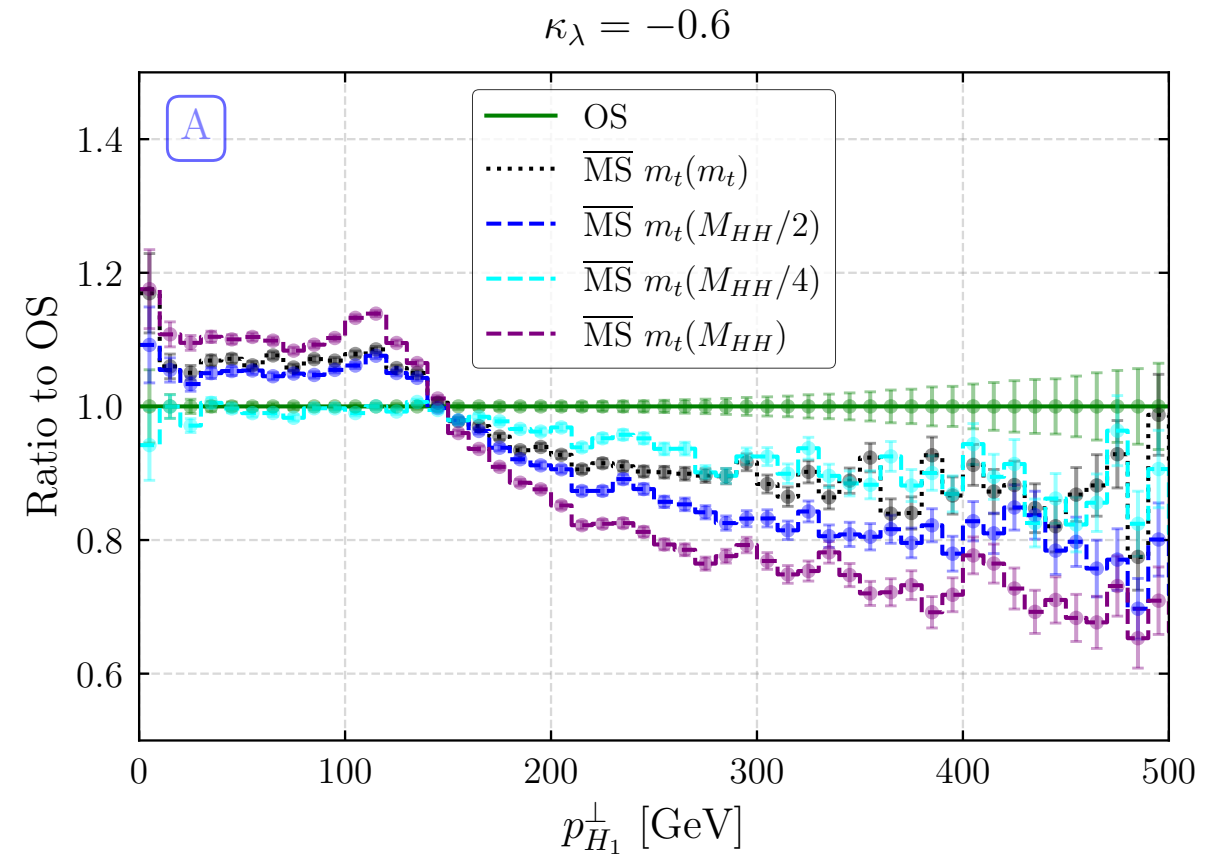
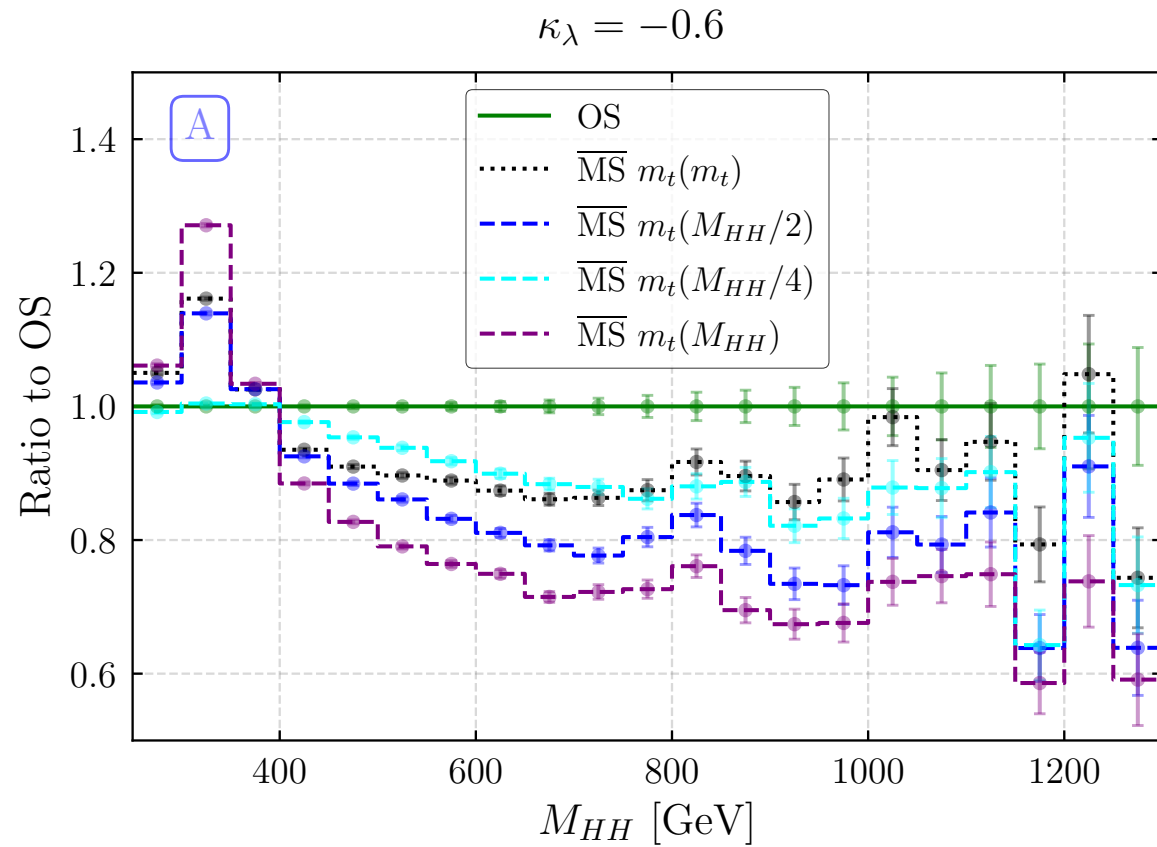
[Mühlleitner et al. '22; Bi et al. '23  
Heinrich et al '24; Davies et al. '25, Bonetti et. al.  
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how to diminish theory uncertainties? by HL-LHC halving required

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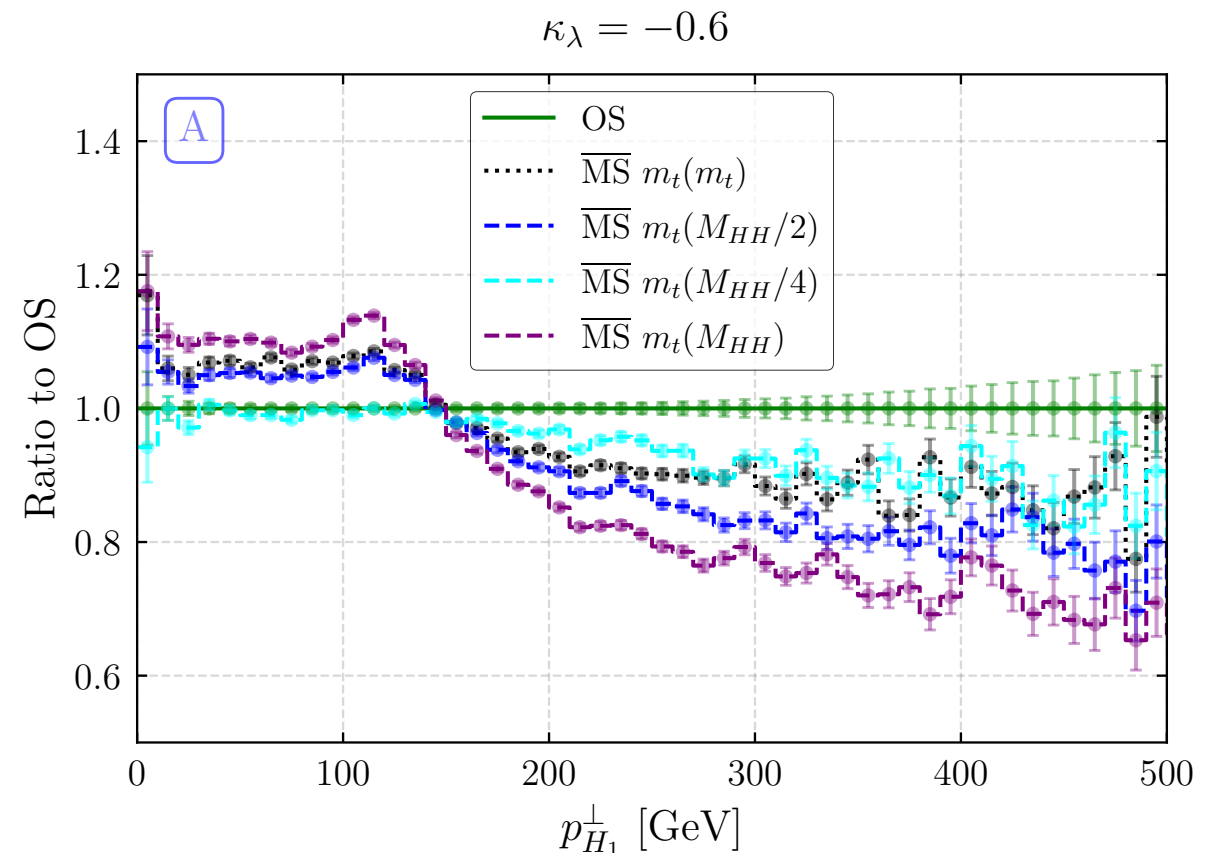
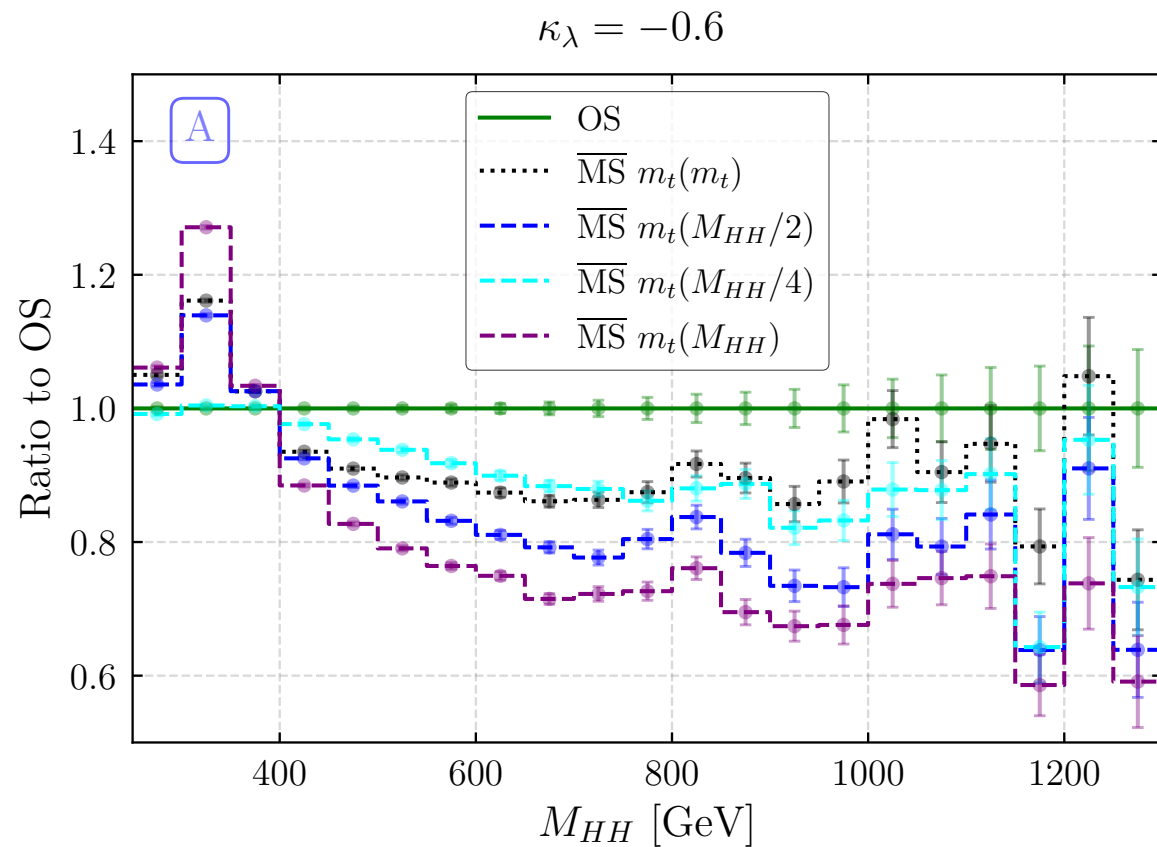
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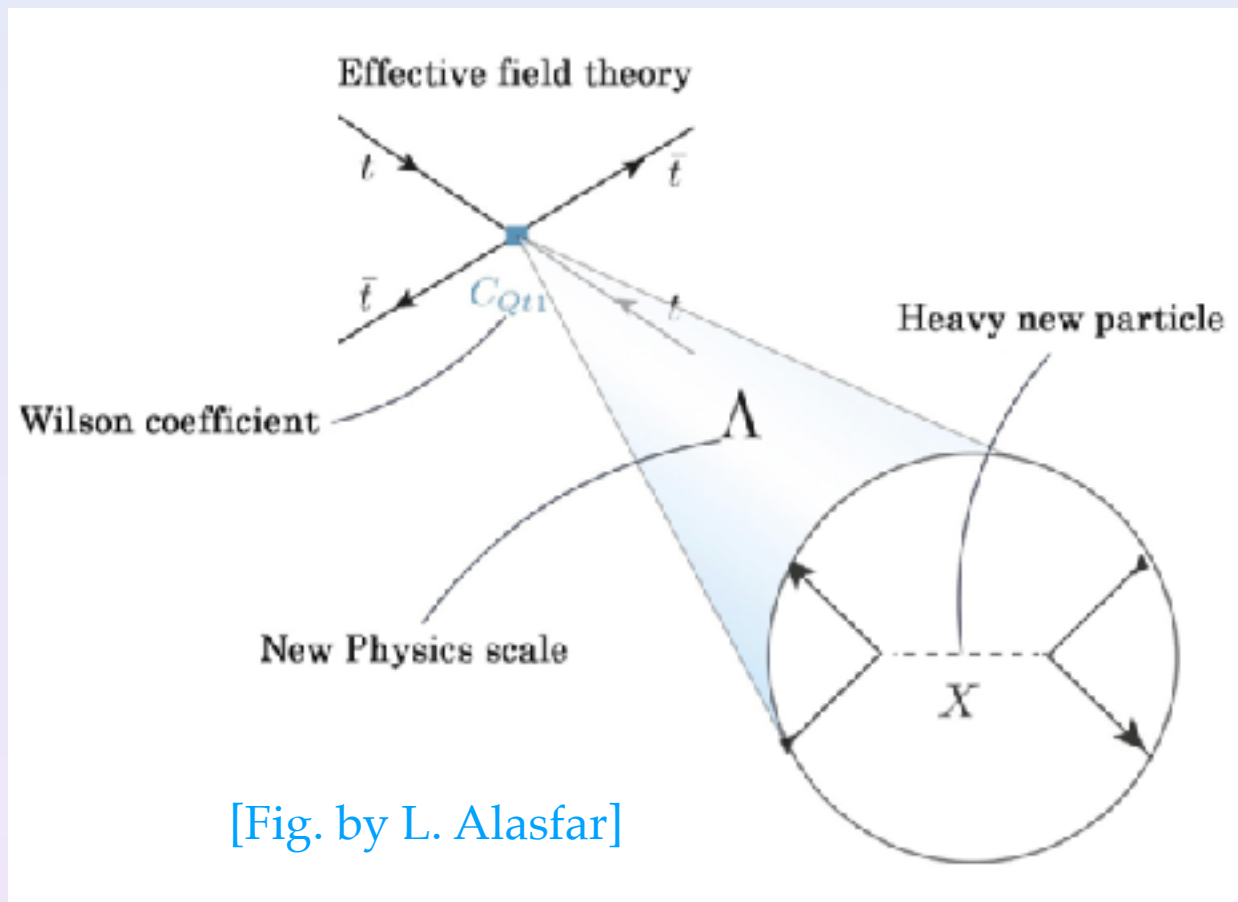
Uncertainty addressed in [Jaskiewicz, Jones, Szafron, Ulrich '25]

in high-energy limit can be understood in SCET →

include tower of higher log's in OS definition in HE range to reduce uncertainty

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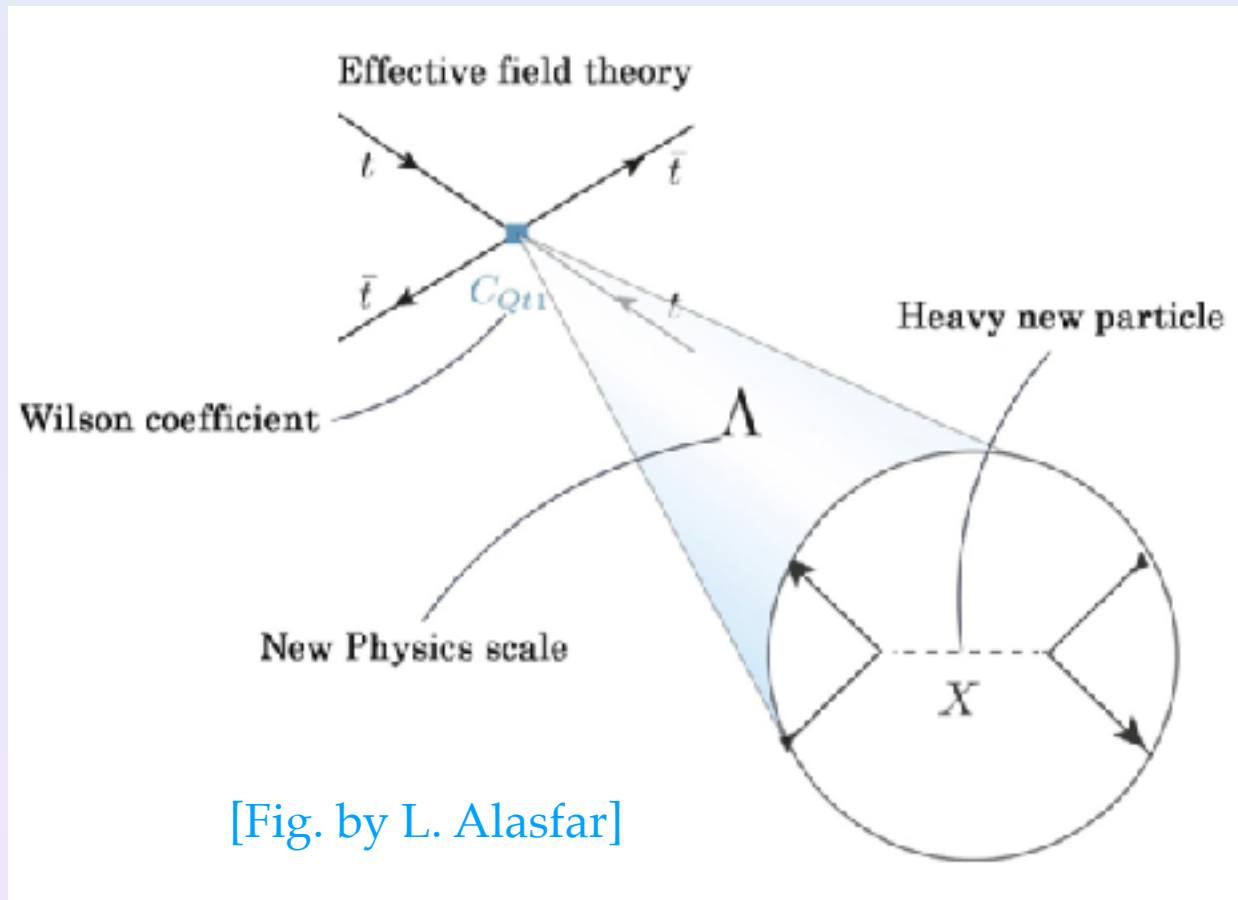
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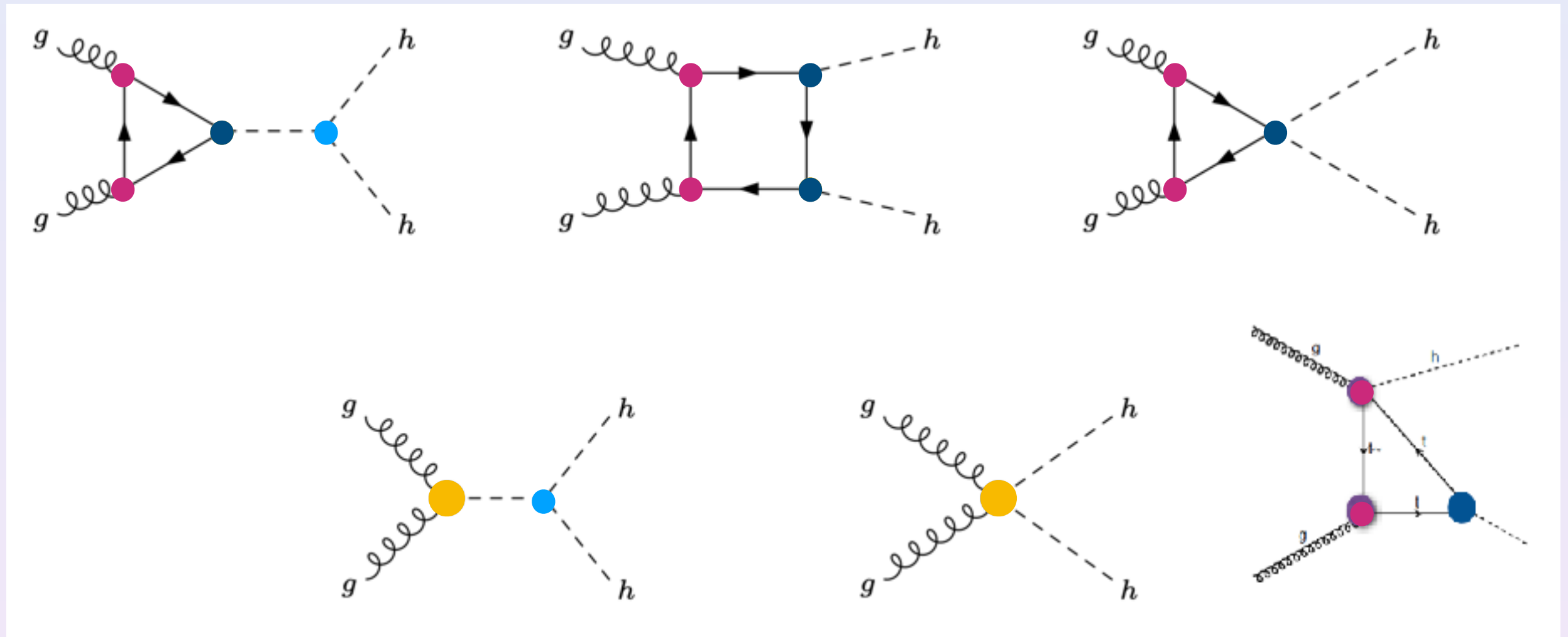
$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{kin,SM} + V(h) - \frac{v^2}{2} \text{Tr}(V_\mu V^\mu) F(h) - \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{F}_L U Y_F(h) F_R + h.c.)$$

polynomial in the physical Higgs field,

$$\text{i.e. } F(h) = a \frac{h}{v} + b \frac{h^2}{v^2} + \dots$$

Goldstone matrix

# SMEFT in HH



SMEFT:

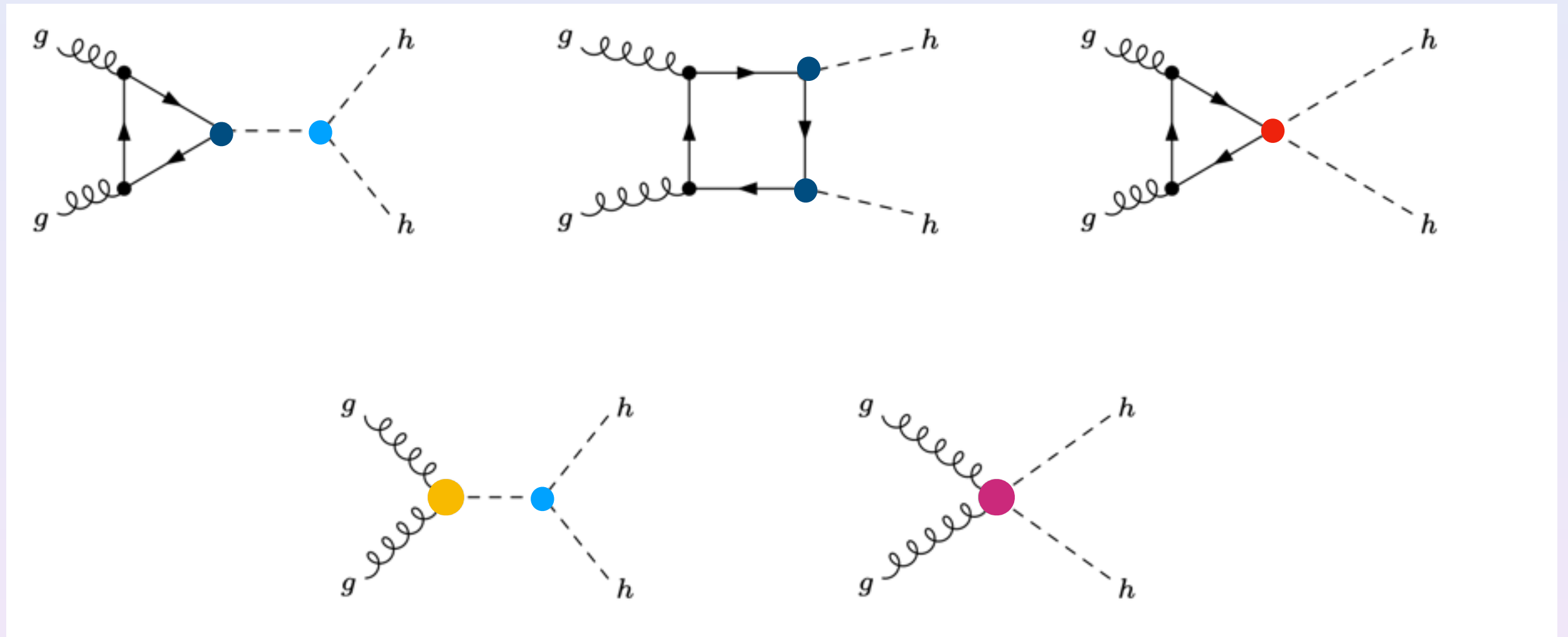
$$\mathcal{L} = C_{H,\Box}(H^\dagger H)\Box(H^\dagger H) + C_{HD}D_\mu(H^\dagger H)D^\mu(H^\dagger H)^* + C_H|H|^6 +$$

$$C_{HG}|H|^2 G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu} + C_{uH}\bar{Q}_L\tilde{H}t_R|H|^2 + h.c. + C_{uG}\bar{Q}_L\sigma_{\mu\nu}T^a\tilde{H}t_R G_{\mu\nu}^a + h.c.$$

Warsaw basis

coefficients of  $\mathcal{O}(1/\Lambda^2)$

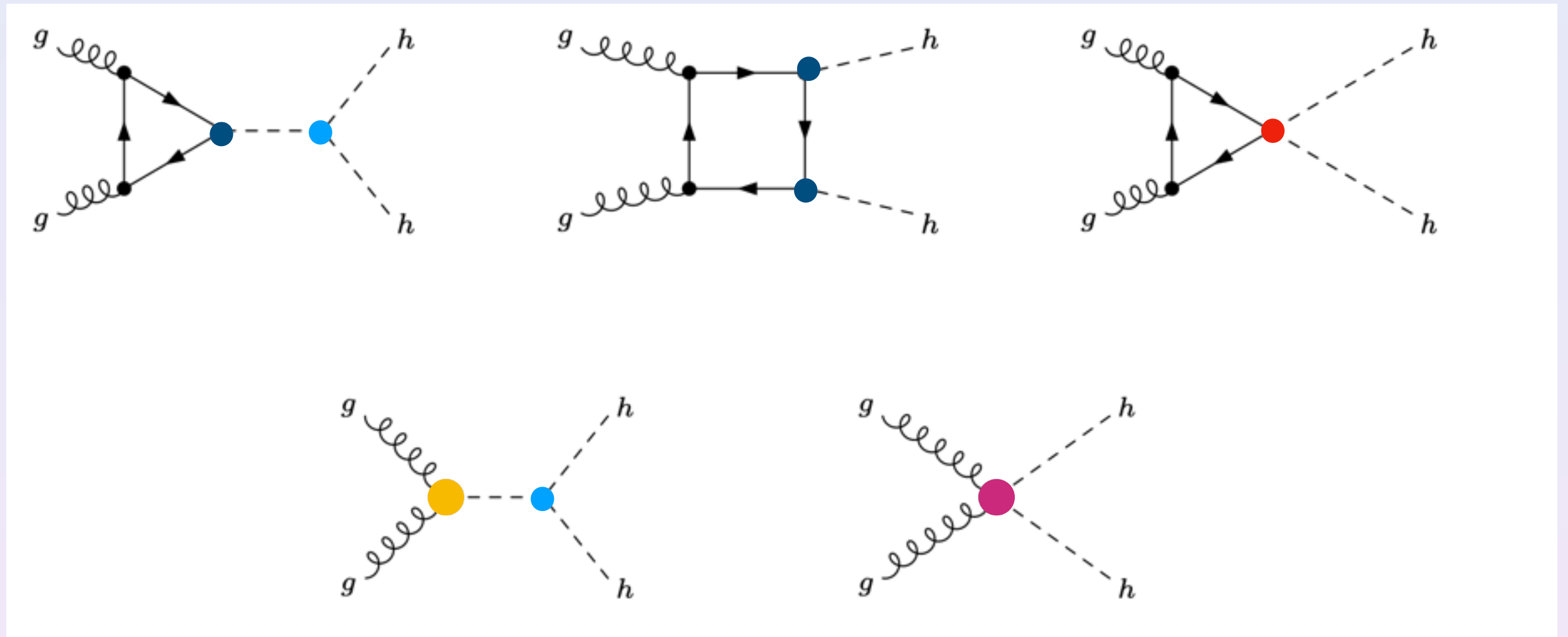
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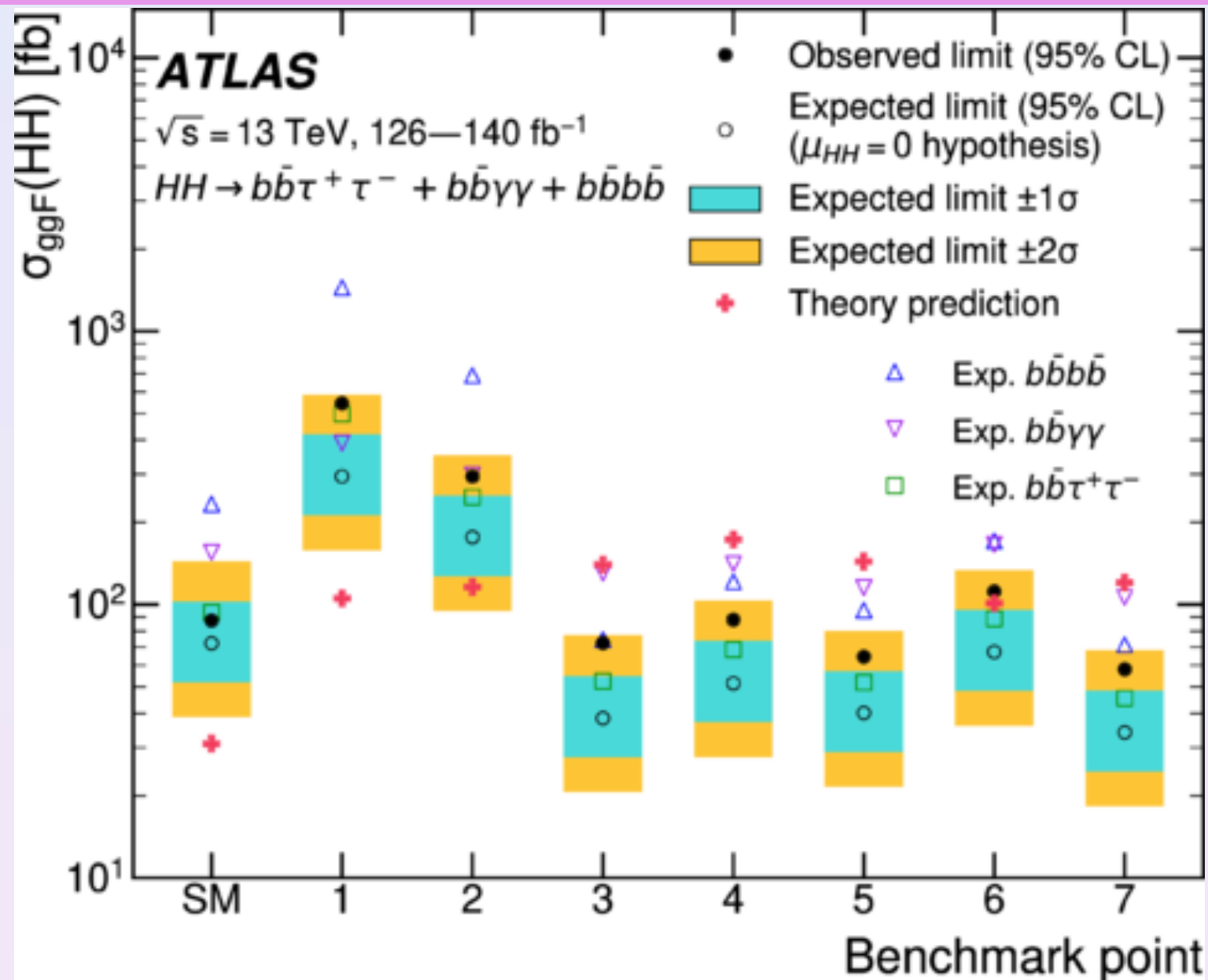


HEFT:

two Higgs couplings only to be probed in HH

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# EFT searches in HHH

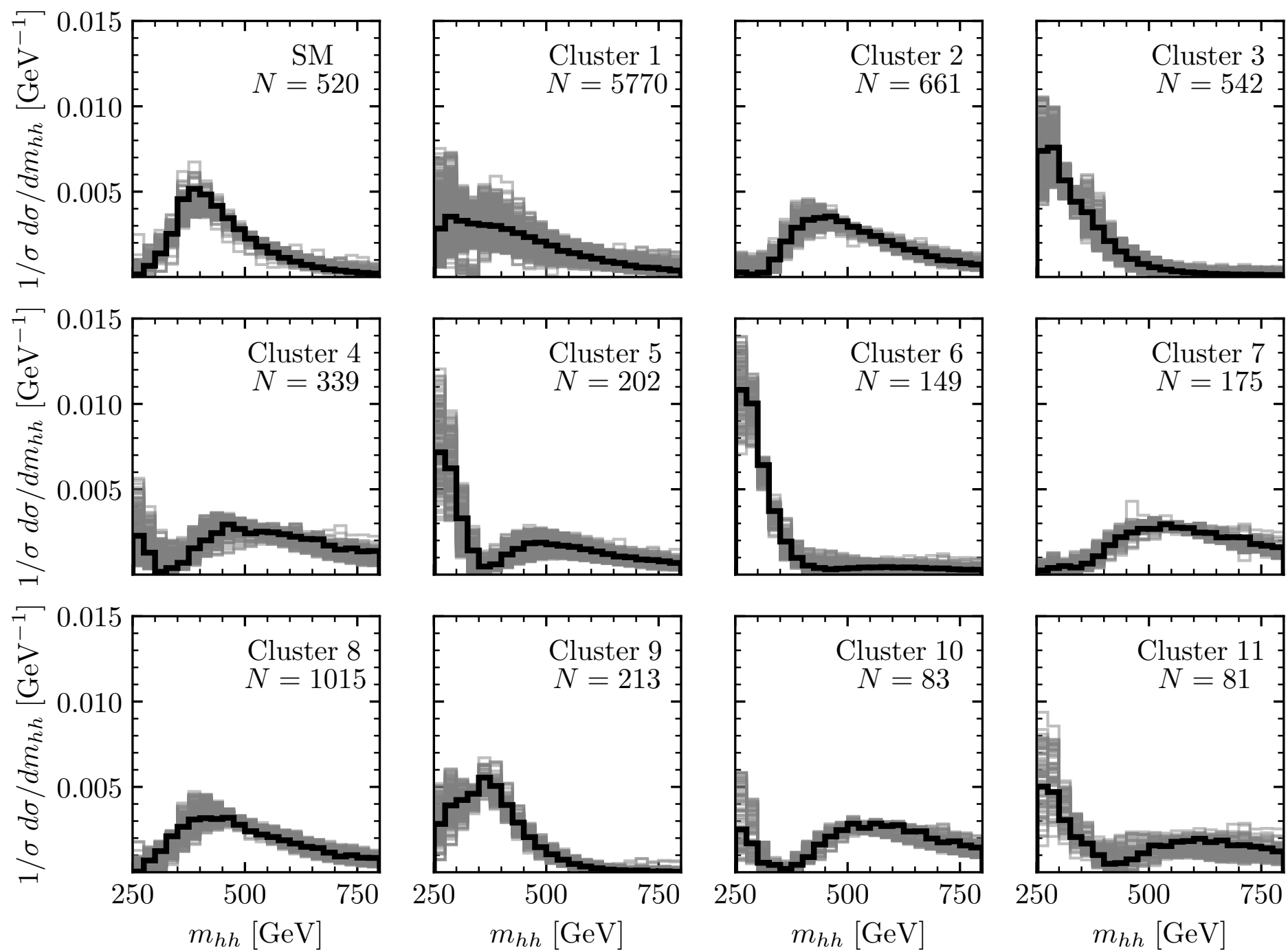


[ATLAS Collaboration '24]

Non-resonant di-Higgs EFT searches are built on kinematic benchmark scenarios to account for EFT modifications of  $m_{hh}$  shapes

[Carvalho et al. '15;  
 Capozzi, Heinrich '19; Alasfar et al. '23]

# Kinematic Benchmarks



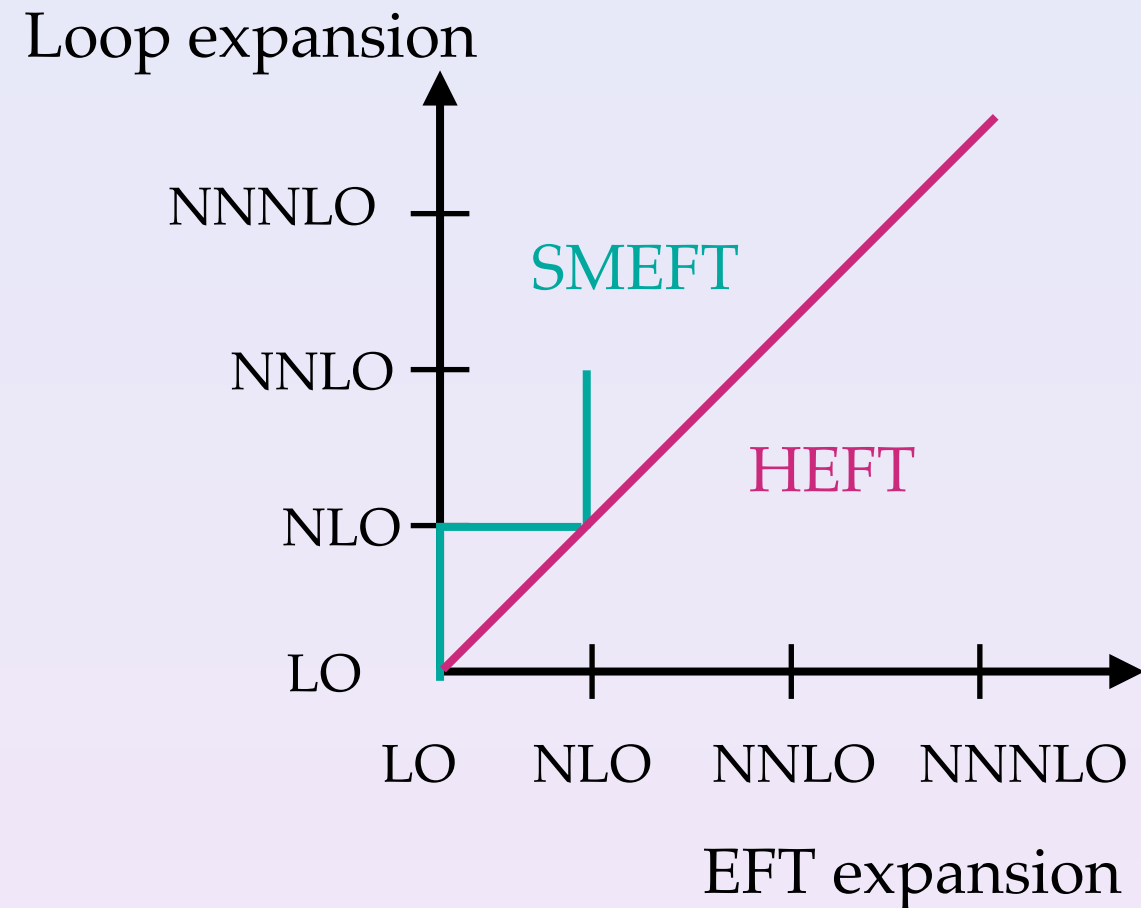
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Heft LO Lagrangian

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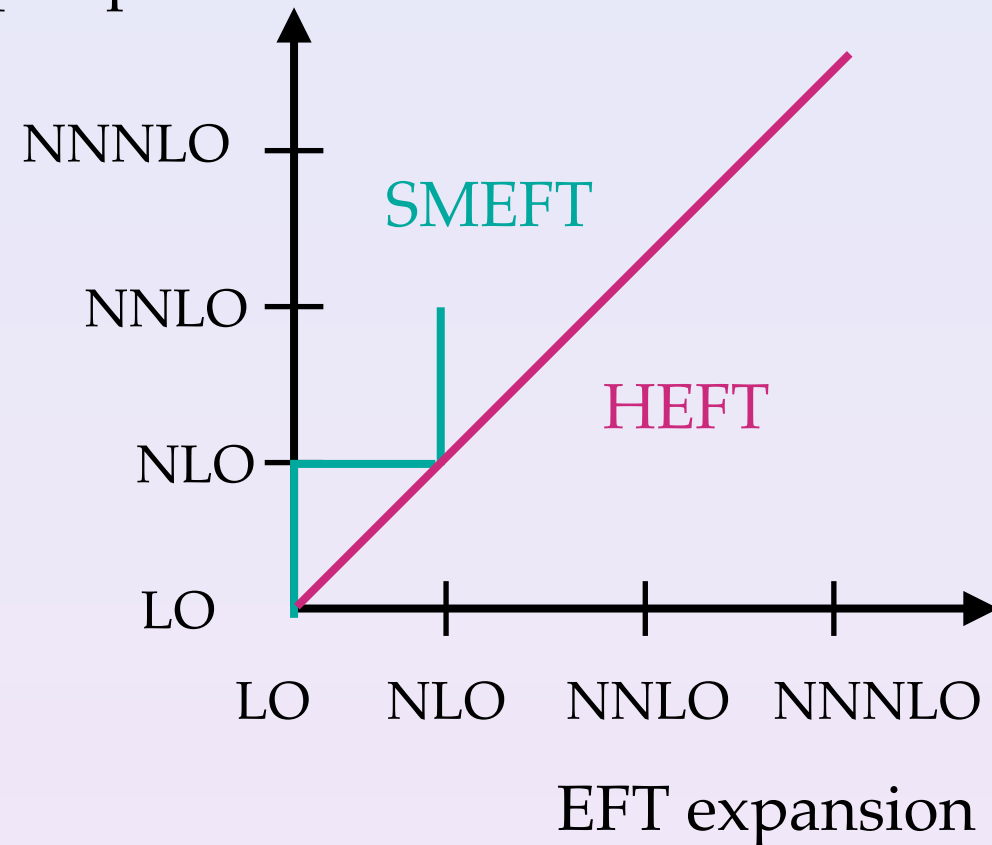
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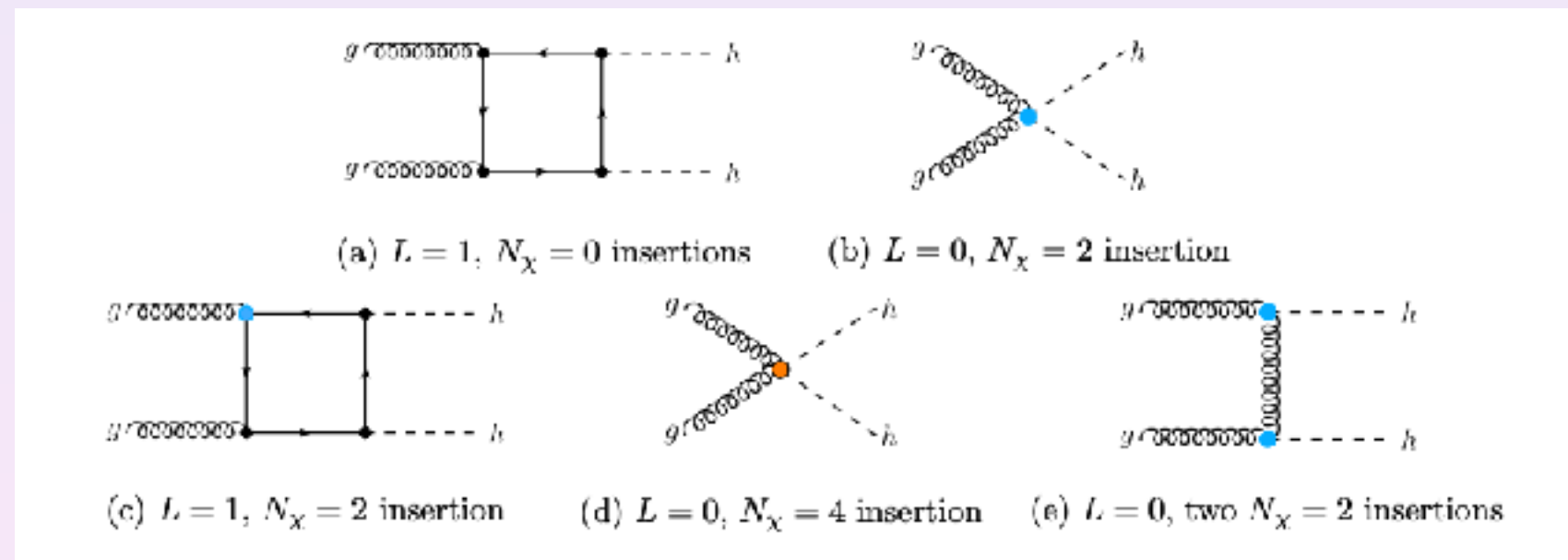
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Loop expansion



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HEFT power counting counts loops, so one is constrained on the diagonal (QCD expansion can also be kept separately)



# HEFT in HH

[Brivio, RG, Schmid 'in prep]

Loop and higher orders in  $N_\chi$  in operators can arise at same order

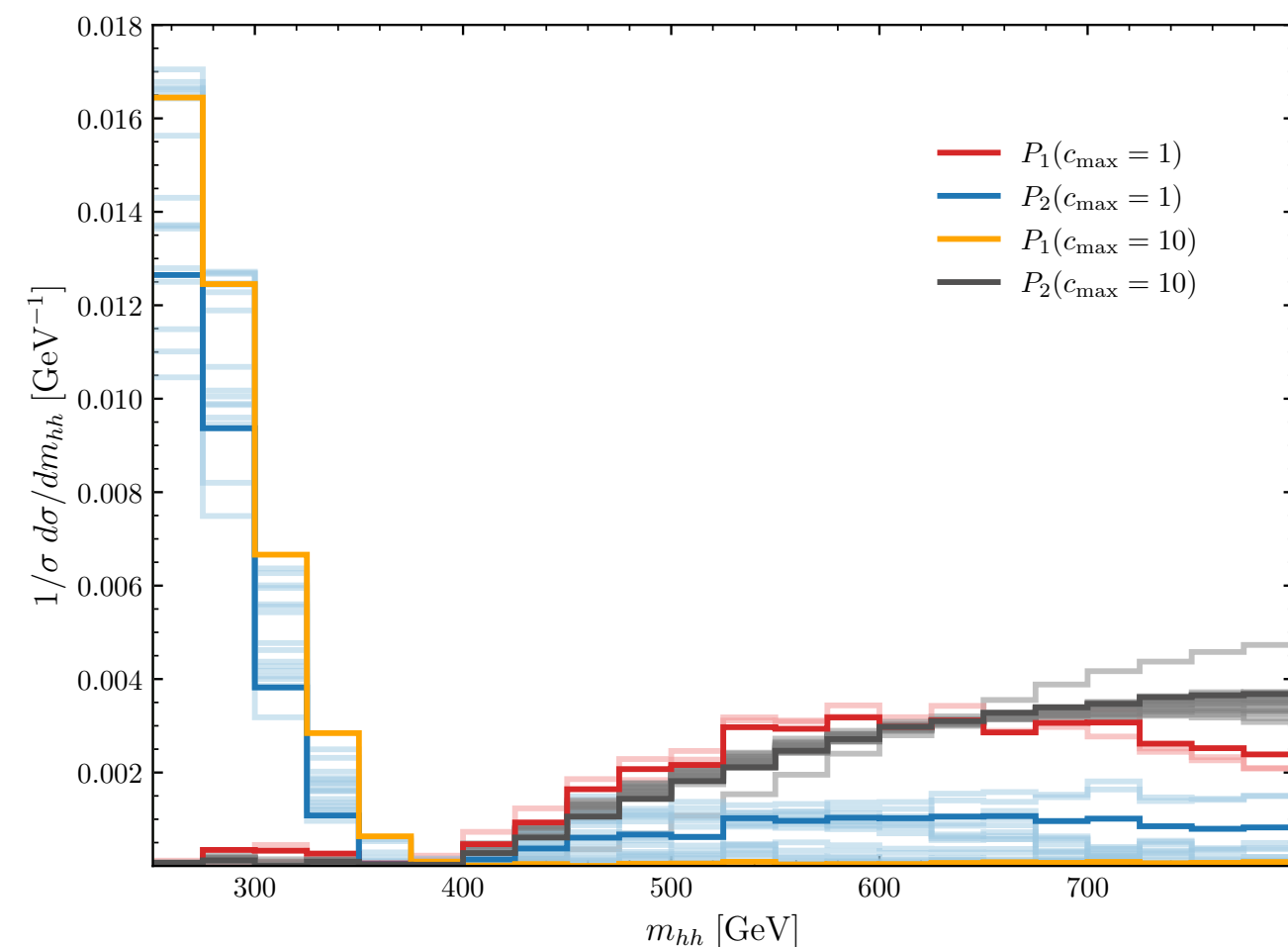
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HEFT}} \supset \mathcal{L}_\kappa + \delta\mathcal{L}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\kappa = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu h)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m_h^2 h^2 - a_{\lambda^3} \lambda v h^3 - \frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} + i\bar{t}\not{D}t - \frac{y_t v}{\sqrt{2}} \left( a_t \frac{h}{v} + b_t \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right) \bar{t}t$$

$$+ \frac{g_s^2}{16\pi^2} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} \left( a_g \frac{h}{v} + b_g \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right)$$

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{y_t b_D}{4\pi\Lambda} \frac{1}{v^2} (\partial_\mu h)^2 \bar{t}t + \frac{g_s y_t}{4\pi\Lambda} (\bar{t}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}^a T^a t_R + \text{h.c.}) \left( d_c + a_c \frac{h}{v} + b_c \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{g_s^2 b_g^{(1)}}{16\pi^2 \Lambda^2} \frac{h^2}{v^2} (D^\mu G^{a\nu\lambda})(D_\mu G_{\nu\lambda}^a) + \frac{g_s^2 b_g^{(2)}}{16\pi^2 \Lambda^2} \frac{h}{v} G^{a\lambda\nu} G_{\lambda}^{a\mu} \frac{1}{v} (\partial_\mu \partial_\nu h).$$



Consider up to  $N_{\text{HEFT}}^{s,\mathcal{M}} = 6$

Kinematic distributions beyond the ones  
in [Carvalho et al. '15; Capozzi, Heinrich '19]  
possible

# HEFT in HH: Cluster analysis

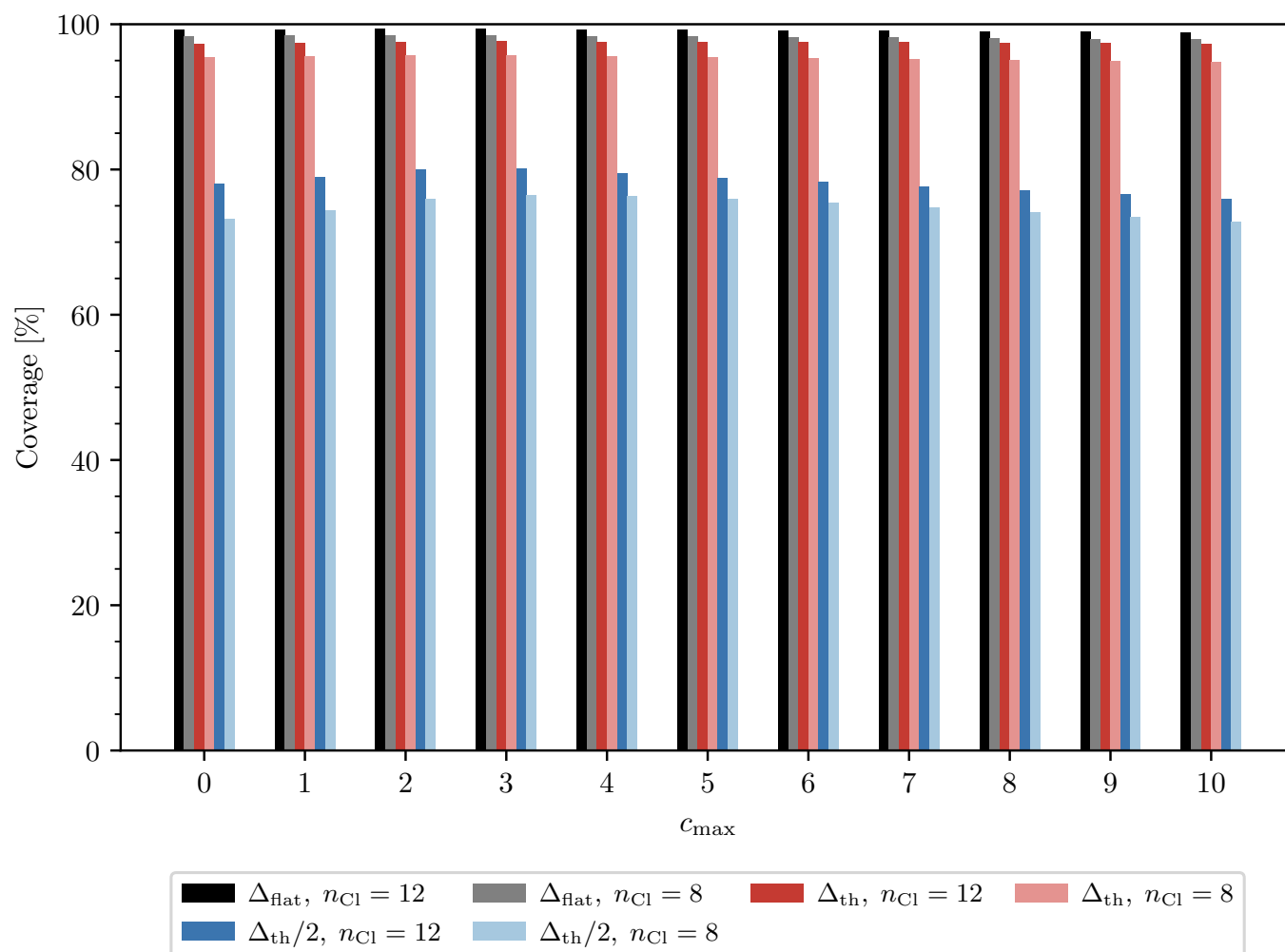
Re-do a cluster analysis, use chi2-test

$$\chi^2(P_1, P_2) = \sum_{i \in \text{bins}} \frac{(D_{1,i} - D_{2,i})^2}{\Delta_i^2 (D_{i,1}^2 + D_{i,2}^2)}$$

Two points in parameter space follow the same kinematic benchmark if

$$\chi^2(P_1, P_2) < \chi_{\text{thres}}^2$$

[Brivio, RG, Schmid 'in prep]



Better ideas? Disentangle  
EFT effects?

Can other production  
modes help?

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## Multi-Higgs production

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Is SMEFT falsifiable  
(in multi-Higgs  
production)?

?

[Gomez-Ambrosio, Llanes-Estrada, Salas-  
Bernárdez, Sanz-Cillero '22]

Concentrate for the time being on gluon - Higgs interactions

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Building blocks (based on spinor-helicity formalism) are

[Elvang, Huang '13, Arkani-Hamed et al '17]

Momenta:  $p_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \equiv p_{\mu}\sigma^{\mu}_{\alpha\dot{\alpha}} \equiv |p\rangle_{\alpha}[p]_{\dot{\alpha}}, \quad \bar{p}^{\dot{\alpha}\alpha} \equiv p_{\mu}\bar{\sigma}^{\mu\dot{\alpha}\alpha} \equiv [p]^{\dot{\alpha}}\langle p|^{\alpha},$

Spinors:  $u_{+}(p) = |p], \quad u_{-}(p) = |p\rangle,$   
 $\bar{u}_{+}(p) = [p|, \quad \bar{u}_{-}(p) = \langle p|,$

Polarisation vectors:

$$\epsilon_{+}^{\mu}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\langle \xi | \sigma^{\mu} | p ]}{\langle p | \xi \rangle},$$

$$\epsilon_{-}^{\mu}(p) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\langle p | \sigma^{\mu} | \xi ]}{[p | \xi]},$$

# OnShell MultiHiggs

## Strategy:

Build non-factorisable and factorisable on shell amplitudes multiplied by kinematic invariants, check if and how they arise in SMEFT and HEFT

## Double Higgs

### Non-Factorisable

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(g^{a,+}(p_1); g^{b,+}(p_2); h(p_3); h(p_4))_{\text{NF}} &= i \delta^{ab} c_{gghh}^{++} [1|2]^2, \\ \mathcal{M}(g^{a,+}(p_1); g^{b,-}(p_2); h(p_3); h(p_4))_{\text{NF}} &= i \delta^{ab} c_{gghh}^{+-} [1|\mathbf{3}-4|2\rangle^2, \end{aligned} \quad \times \sum_n \sum_{i,j=1}^3 c_{ij}^n (s_{ij})^n$$

### Factorisable

$$\begin{array}{c} g^{h_1}(p_1) \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ g^{h_2}(p_2) \end{array} \text{---} h(p_3) = \mathcal{M}(g_1^{a,h_1}; g_2^{b,h_2}; h) = i \delta^{ab} [1|2]^n g_{-\ell}(s_{12}, \Lambda),$$

$$\begin{array}{c} h(p_1) \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ h(p_2) \end{array} \text{---} h(p_3) = \mathcal{M}(h; h; h) = i c_{3h}.$$

$$\begin{array}{c} g_{\mu_2}^{a_2}(p_1) \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ g_{\mu_1}^{a_1}(p_2) \end{array} \text{---} h(p_3) \text{---} h(p_4) = \mathcal{M}(g_1^{a,+}; g_2^{b,+}; h_3; h_4)_{s\text{-ch.}} = -\delta^{ab} \frac{c_{3h} c_{ggh}}{s_{12} - m_h^2} [1|2]^2.$$

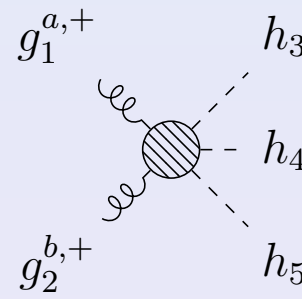
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# OnShell Double Higgs

| Amplitude           | Helicity | Spinor structure                      | Coeff.          | Dimension                       | Minimal order       |       |
|---------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------|
|                     |          |                                       |                 |                                 | SMEFT               | HEFT  |
| Three-point         |          |                                       |                 |                                 |                     |       |
| $gg \rightarrow h$  | $++$     | $[1 2]^2$                             | $c_{ggh}$       | $-1 \ (1/\overline{\Lambda})$   | $6 \ (v/\Lambda^2)$ | NLO*  |
| $hh \rightarrow h$  | $-$      | $-$                                   | $c_{hhh}$       | $1 \ (\overline{\Lambda})$      | 4                   | LO    |
| Four-point          |          |                                       |                 |                                 |                     |       |
| $hh \rightarrow hh$ | $-$      | $-$                                   | $c_{4h}$        | 0                               | 4                   | LO    |
| $gg \rightarrow hh$ | $++$     | $[1 2]^2$                             | $c_{gghh}^{++}$ | $-2 \ (1/\overline{\Lambda}^2)$ | $6 \ (1/\Lambda^2)$ | NLO*  |
|                     | $+-$     | $[1 \mathbf{3}-\mathbf{4} 2\rangle^2$ | $c_{gghh}^{+-}$ | $-4 \ (1/\overline{\Lambda}^4)$ | $8 \ (1/\Lambda^4)$ | NNLO* |

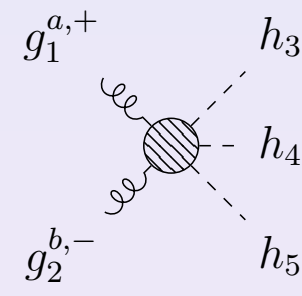
All structures arise at same order, in SMEFT more coefficients but same physics

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$$= \mathcal{M} \left( g_1^{a,+}; g_2^{b,+}; h_3; h_4; h_5 \right)_{\text{NF}} = i \delta^{ab} c_{gghhh}^{++,(1)} [1|2]^2$$

$$+ i \delta^{ab} c_{gghhh}^{++,(2)} ([1|\mathbf{34}|2][1|\mathbf{43}|2] + [1|\mathbf{35}|2][1|\mathbf{53}|2] + [1|\mathbf{45}|2][1|\mathbf{54}|2])$$



$$= \mathcal{M} \left( g_1^{a,+}; g_2^{b,-}; h_3; h_4; h_5 \right)_{\text{NF}}$$

$$= i \delta^{ab} c_{gghhh}^{+-} (([1|\mathbf{3}|2\rangle)^2 + ([1|\mathbf{4}|2\rangle)^2 + ([1|\mathbf{5}|2\rangle)^2),$$

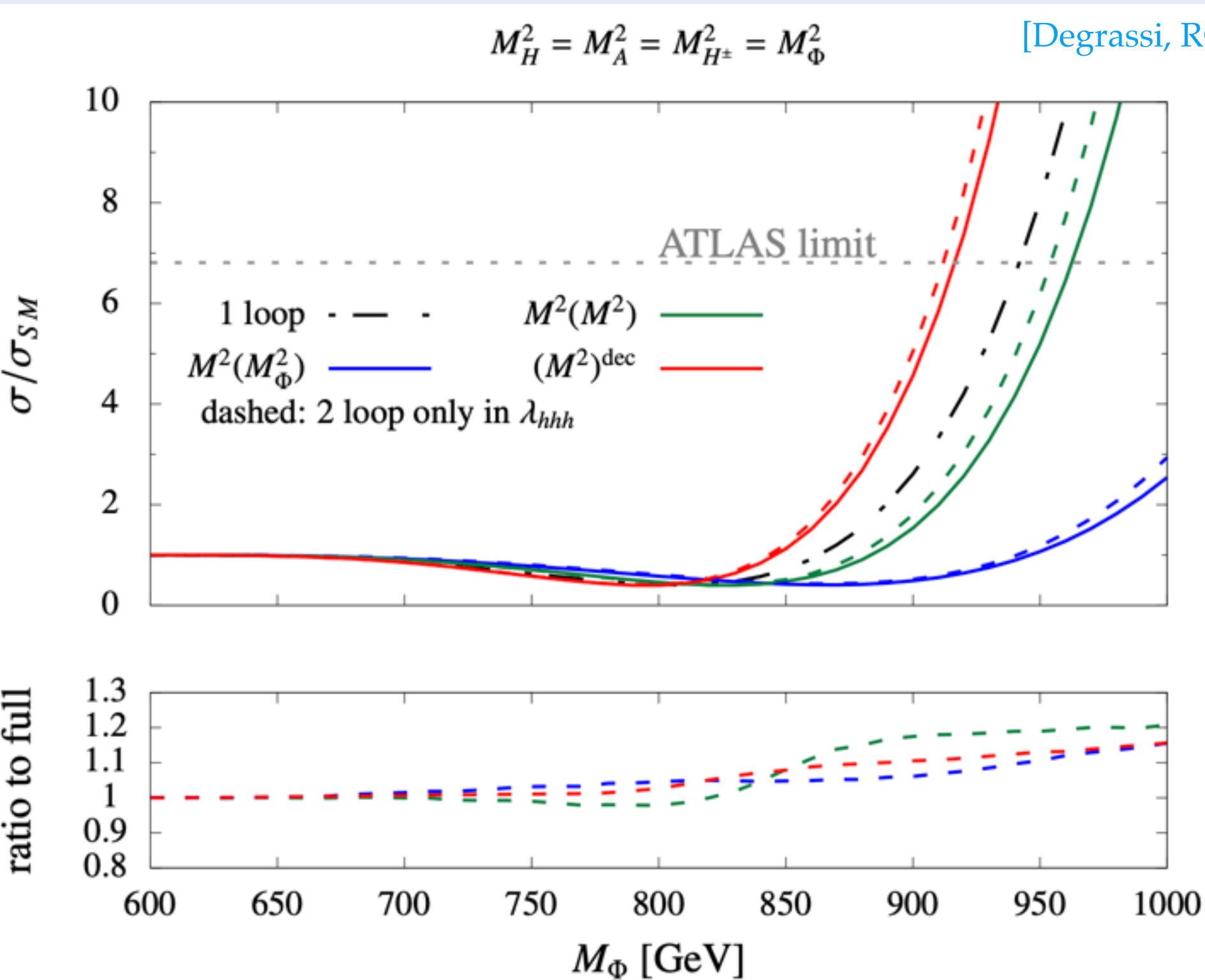
| Amplitude            | Helicity | Spinor structure           | Coeff.               | Dimension                | Minimal SMEFT order | Minimal HEFT order |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Five-point           |          |                            |                      |                          |                     |                    |
| $hh \rightarrow hhh$ | -        | -                          | $c_{5h}$             | 0                        | $6 (v/\Lambda^2)$   | LO                 |
| $gg \rightarrow hhh$ | ++       | $[1 2]^2$                  | $c_{gghhh}^{++,(1)}$ | $-3 (1/\bar{\Lambda}^3)$ | $8 (v/\Lambda^4)$   | NLO*               |
|                      | ++       | $[1 \mathbf{34} 2]^2$      | $c_{gghhh}^{++,(2)}$ | $-7 (1/\bar{\Lambda}^7)$ | $12 (v/\Lambda^8)$  | N <sup>3</sup> LO* |
|                      | +-       | $[1 \mathbf{3} 2\rangle^2$ | $c_{gghhh}^{+-}$     | $-5 (1/\bar{\Lambda}^5)$ | $10 (v/\Lambda^6)$  | NNLO*              |

contributions arise at different orders

we cannot *falsify* just probe convergence

# Multi-Higgs Models and resonant production

# Multi-Higgs Models: 2HDM



2HDM: even in the **alignment limit** in presence of large scalar couplings huge corrections to trilinear Higgs self-coupling possible

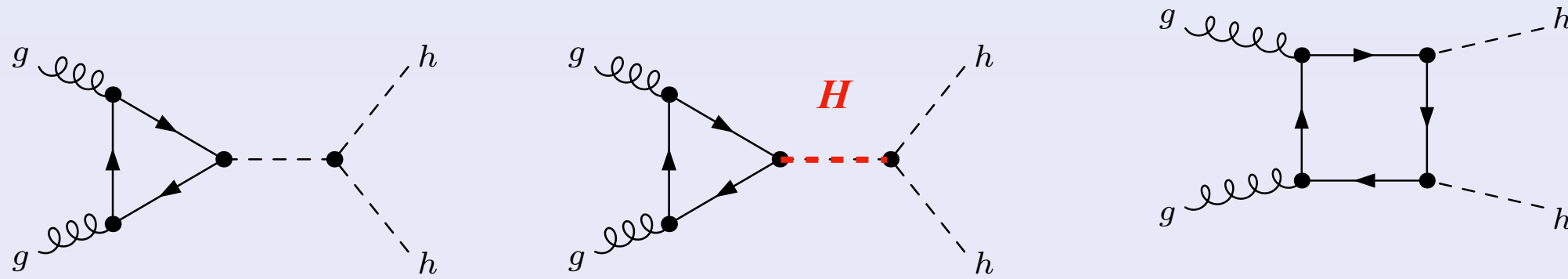
[Braathen, Kanemura '19]

Also in other models with extended Higgs sector

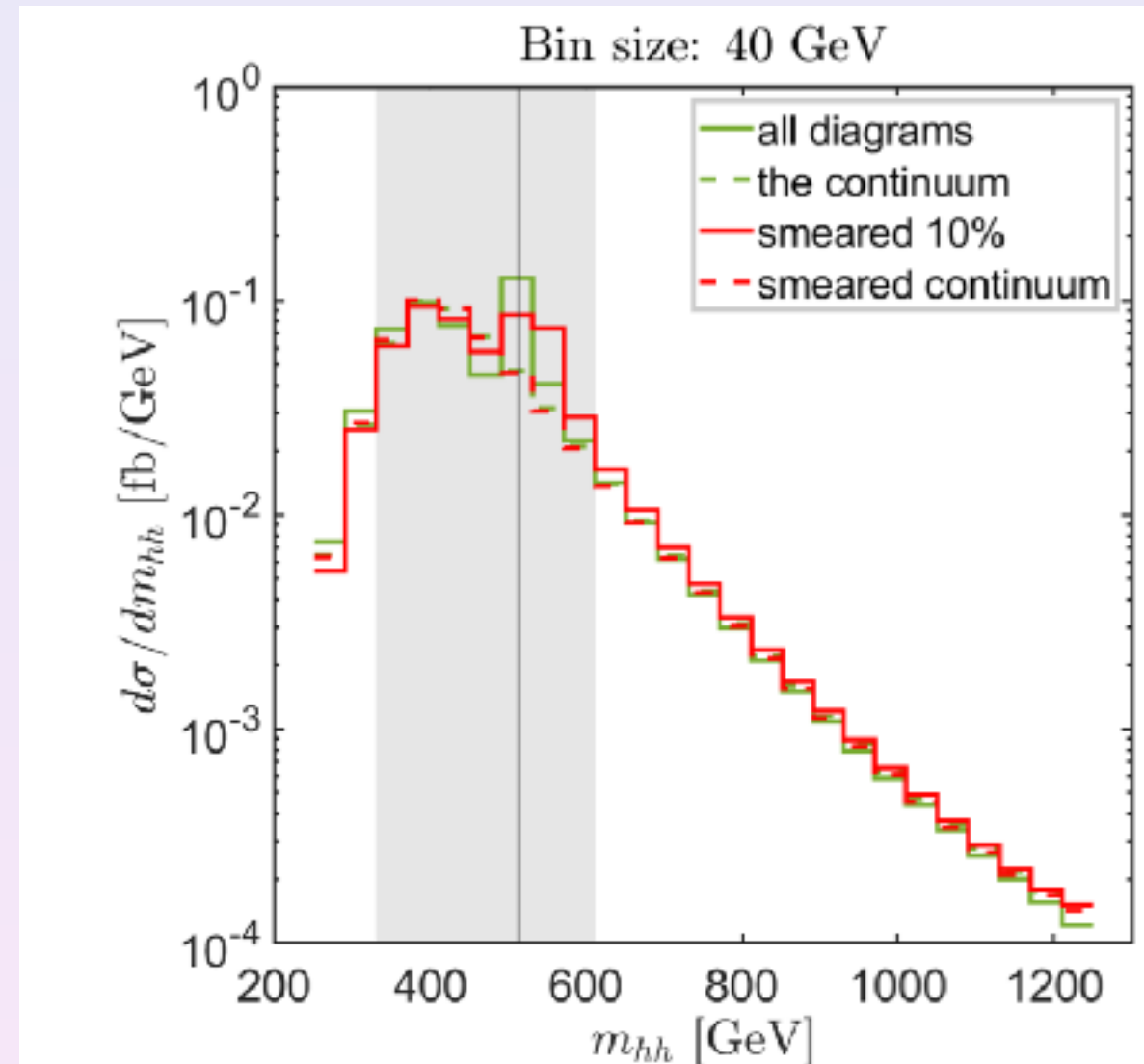
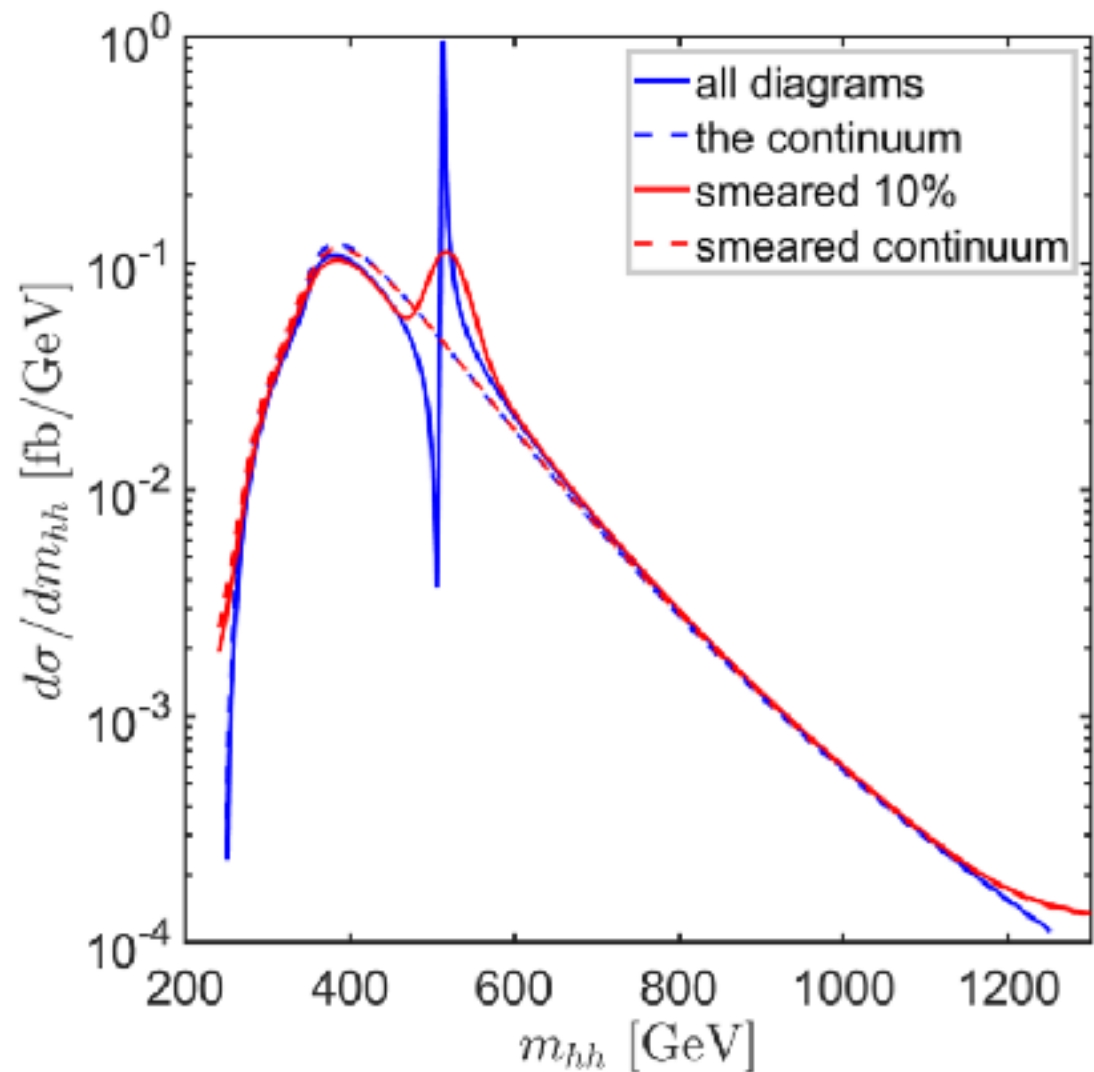
[Bahl et al. '23; Bahl, Braathen, Gabelmann, Paßehr '25]

And what if we find deviations in  $\kappa_\lambda$ ?

# Resonant di-Higgs searches



[Arco, Heinemeyer, Mühlleitner, Radechenko '22]



# Resonant di-Higgs searches

Interference effects can be important

reweighing techniques important to increase computational efficiencies for exp analysis

[Feuerstake, Fuchs, Robens, Winterbottom '25]

how to treat interference effects as model-independent as possible? benchmarks or anything better?

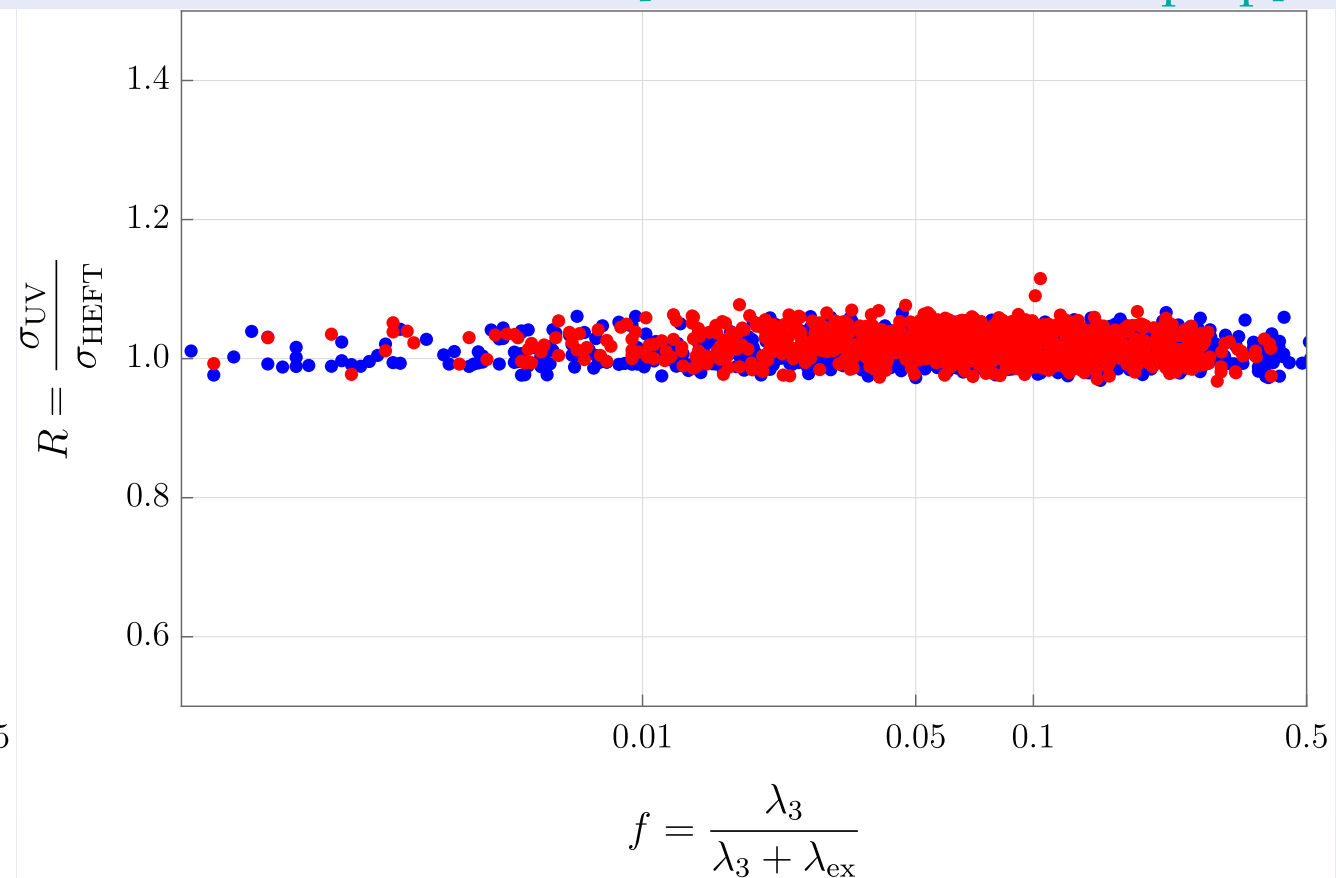
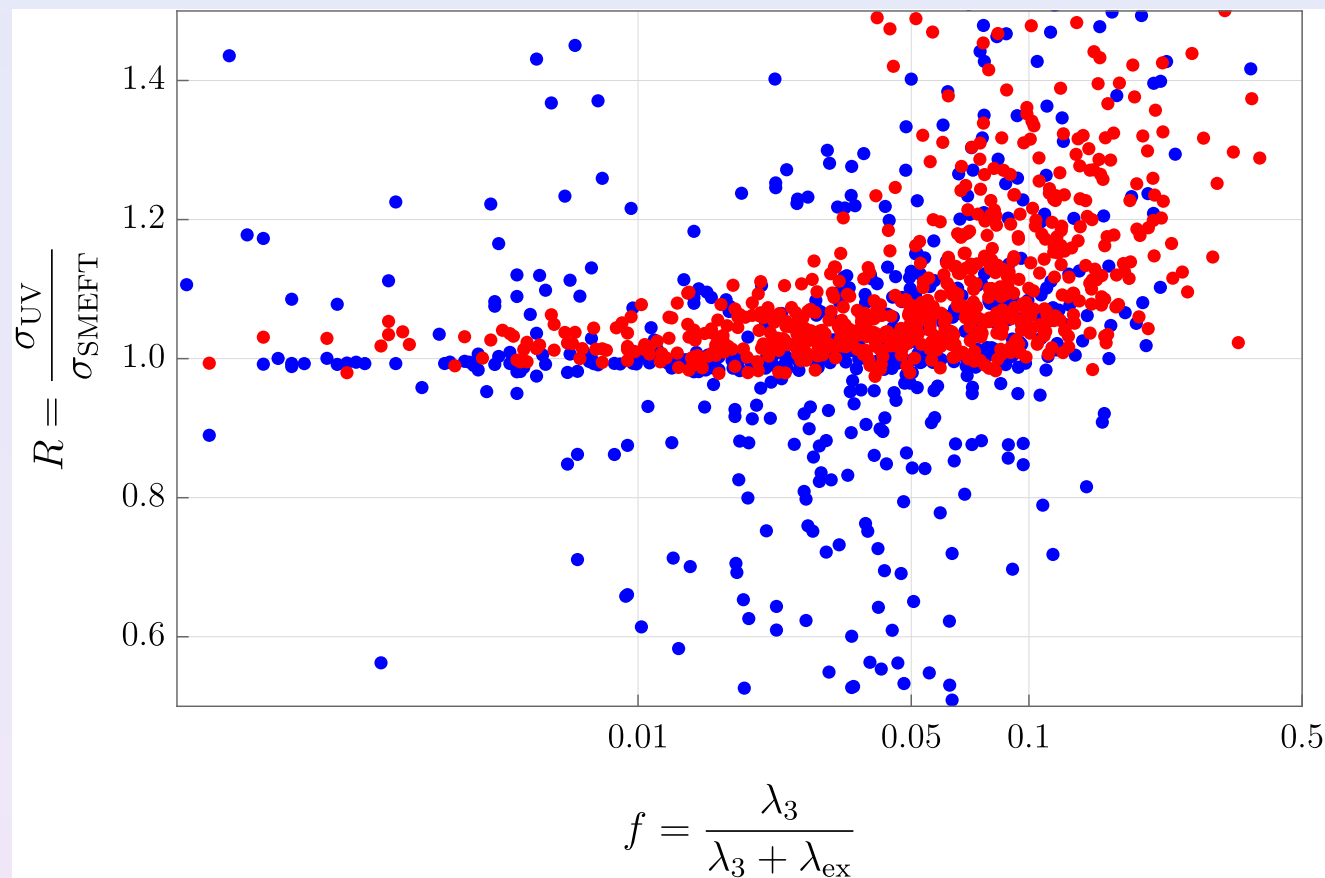
how to treat best final states with different Higgs bosons?

# Conclusion

- Multi-Higgs Production promises to measure existing physics
- is challenging experimentally, in particular triple Higgs production  
what can we learn new?
- Theory uncertainties in SM need shrinking
- EFT, in particular HEFT can bring changes in kinematic distributions  
so far not considered
- Multi-Higgs Models have rich di-Higgs phenomenology

# UV models for HEFT HHH

[Asiáin, RG, Tiberi 'in prep]

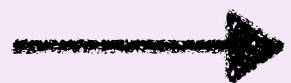


red points:  $v_s \in [0, 0.1 v_H]$

blue points:  $v_s \in [0, 5 v_H]$

$$f = \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_3 + \frac{2\mu_2^2}{v_H^2}} = \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_3 + \lambda_{\text{ex}}}$$

is a measure how much of the singlet mass comes from EWSB



HEFT is the better EFT to be used in Higgs pair production for singlet model

# Power counting

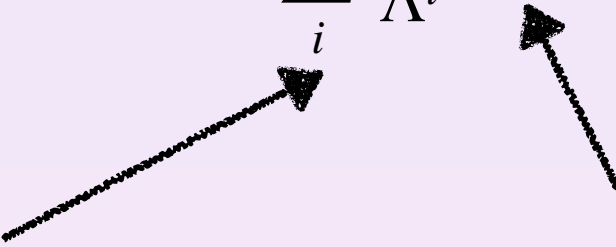
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[Manohar, Georgi '84;  
Gavela, Jenkins,  
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## SMEFT:

Assuming that  $\Lambda \gg v$  allows us to power count  $N_\Lambda$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_i \frac{c_{\mathcal{O}}}{\Lambda^i} \mathcal{O}_i$$


for Higgs physics  
 $i \geq 2$

respects the SM gauge  
symmetries, all fields  
transform as in SM

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## HEFT:

The prize of splitting the SU(2) doublet of GBs and Higgs is that the theory becomes non-unitary at  $\Lambda > 4\pi v$

We cannot expand in  $N_\Lambda$   Power count in chiral dimension  $N_\chi = N_\Lambda + N_{4\pi}$

[Buchalla, Cata, Krause '13]

# Chiral dimension

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From the NDA scaling we see easily that the chiral dimension counts up by

**0 units**

for each boson field  $\phi = \varphi, A_\mu$   
for each VEV  $v$

chiral dimension

$$N_\chi = N_\Lambda + N_{4\pi}$$

**1/2 unit**

for each fermionic field  $\psi$

**1 unit**

for each gauge / Yukawa coupling  
for each derivative

**2 units**

for coupling of scalar interaction  $\varphi^4$

# HEFT Lagrangian

## LO Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{LO} = & -\frac{1}{4}G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4}B_{\mu\nu}B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}\partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h - \frac{v^2}{4}\text{Tr}(\mathbf{V}_\mu \mathbf{V}^\mu) \mathcal{F}_C(h) - \lambda v^4 \mathcal{V}(h) \\ & + i\bar{Q}_L \not{D} Q_L + i\bar{Q}_R \not{D} Q_R + i\bar{L}_L \not{D} L_L + i\bar{L}_R \not{D} L_R \\ & - \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{Q}_L \mathbf{U} \mathcal{Y}_Q(h) Q_R + \text{h.c.}) - \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{L}_L \mathbf{U} \mathcal{Y}_L(h) L_R + \text{h.c.}) ,\end{aligned}$$

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The choice of the LO Lagrangian ( $N_\chi = 2$ ) is convention (i.e. could also contain 4 fermion operators, custodial violating operators, ...)

# HEFT cross sections

[Brivio, RG, Schmid 'in prep]

Count all occurrences of  $p \sim m$

$$\mathcal{M} \sim p^{4-n} (4\pi)^{n-2} \left(\frac{p}{\Lambda}\right)^{N_{\Lambda,\mathcal{M}}^p} \left(\frac{4\pi v}{\Lambda}\right)^{N_{v,\mathcal{M}}} \left(\frac{g}{4\pi}\right)^{N_{g,\mathcal{M}}} \left(\frac{y}{4\pi}\right)^{N_{y,\mathcal{M}}} \left(\frac{\lambda}{(4\pi)^2}\right)^{N_{\lambda,\mathcal{M}}}$$

where  $n$  is the number of legs

At the level of the cross section

$$\int d\text{PS}_k = \int \prod_{j=1}^k \frac{dq_j}{(2\pi)^3 2E_j} q_j^2 d\Omega_j (2\pi)^4 \delta^4 \left( q_{\text{init}} - \sum_n q_n \right) \sim p^{2k-4} (4\pi)^{3-2k}$$

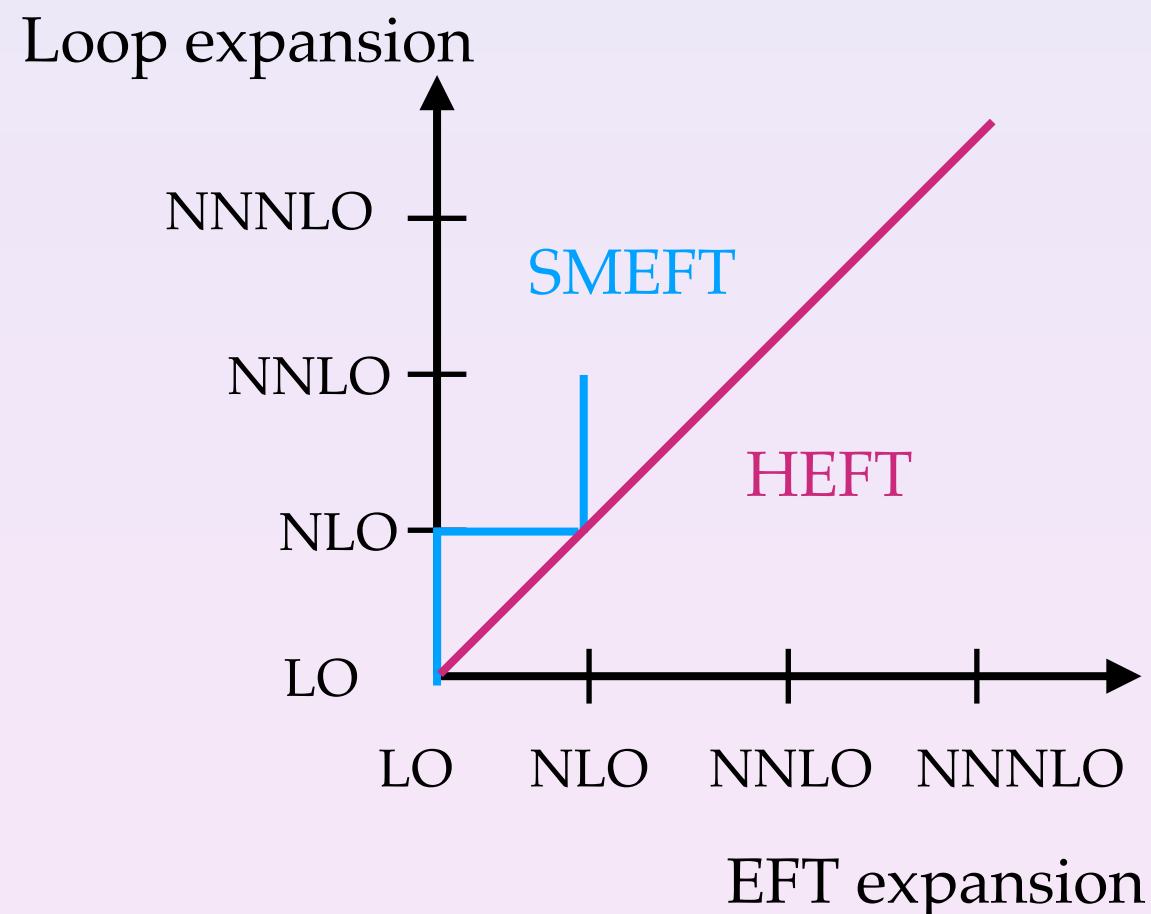
dependence on number of legs necessary for cancellation of IR divergencies at same order in counting

# HEFT power counting

[Brivio, RG, Schmid 'in prep]

In the end we should count loops, external legs and chiral dimension of couplings

$$N_{HEFT}^{s,\mathcal{M}} = n - 2 + 2L + \sum_{i \in \text{vert}} N_{\chi,i}$$



SMEFT power counting  
keeps EFT expansion  
independent of loop  
expansion

HEFT power counting  
counts loops, so one is  
constrained on the  
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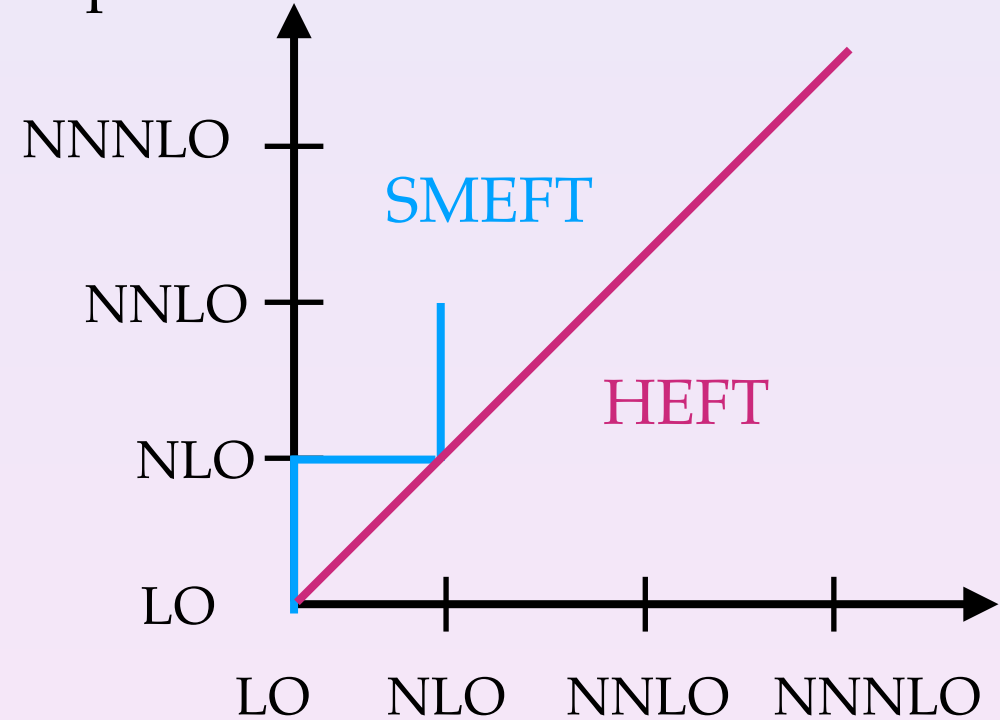
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counting  $g_s \sim p \sim m$  not necessary instead we can count alternatively

$$N_{HEFT}^{\mathcal{M}} = N_{HEFT}^{s,\mathcal{M}} - N_{g_s}^{\mathcal{M}}$$

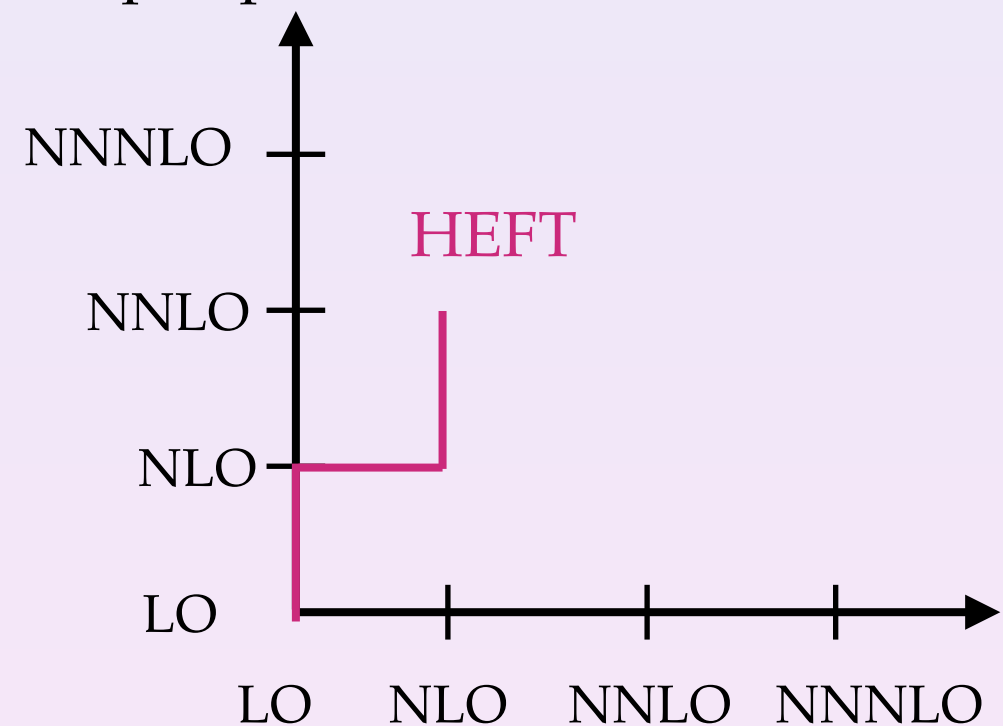
electroweak loop

expansion



EFT expansion

QCD loop expansion



EFT expansion