

**SM and EFT Studies of $t\bar{t}H$ Production at CMS
using Run 2 Data**

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Outline

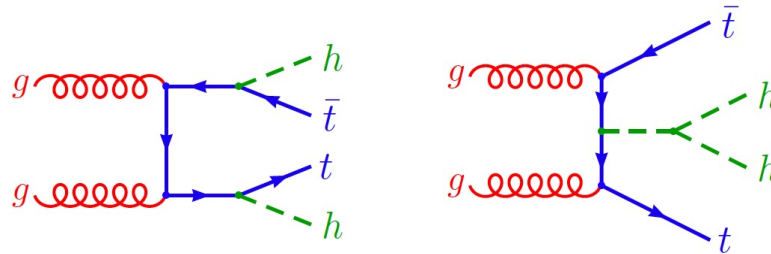
- Physics motivation and background
- Search for $ttHH$ using full Run 2 data
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 2. Current status
- Study of $ttHH$ in EFT
- Summary

Physics Motivation

- Higgs boson pair production in association with a top-quark pair plays an important role in Higgs physics
 - It provides a direct measurement of the top-quark Yukawa coupling y_t
 - It provides a measurement of trilinear Higgs self coupling λ_3 in the Higgs potential,

$$V = \frac{m_h^2}{2} h^2 + \lambda_3 v h^3 + \frac{\lambda_3}{4} h^4$$

- ttHH does not have destructive interference terms at LO

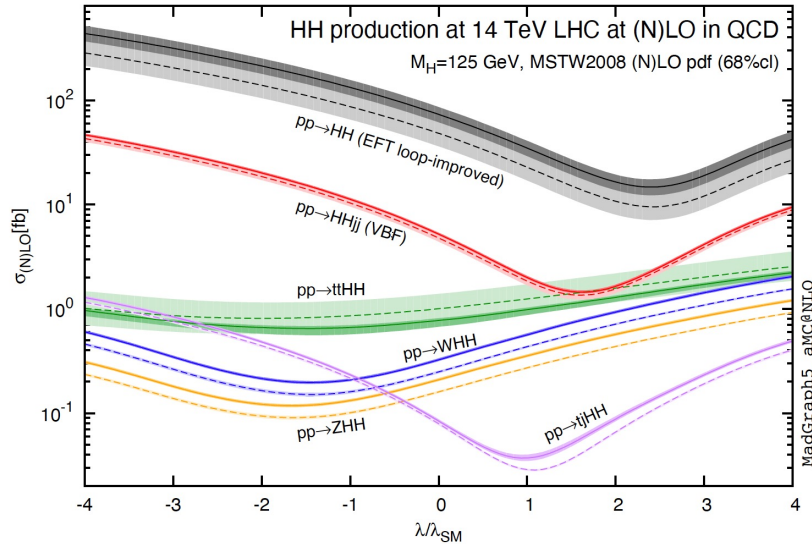


Diagrams for $tt\bar{t}H$ at LO

- Thus $tt\bar{t}H$ is an important rare process to study with the largest available datasets

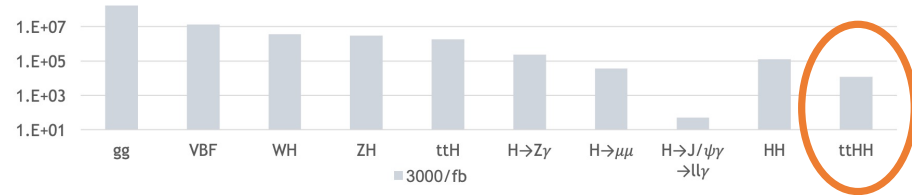
Cross sections and Rates

- The $ttHH$ production will benefit from larger statistics in Run 2 ($\sim 140/\text{fb}$), Run 3 ($\sim 300/\text{fb}$) and HL-LHC ($\sim 3000/\text{fb}$).



Cross section at (N)LO as a function of self interaction λ . The dashed (solid) lines correspond to the LO (NLO) results

arXiv: [1401.7340](https://arxiv.org/abs/1401.7340)



At 13 TeV: $\sigma(ttHH) = 0.775 \text{ fb}$ (NLO QCD)

At 14 TeV: $\sigma(ttHH) = 1 \text{ fb}$ (NLO QCD)

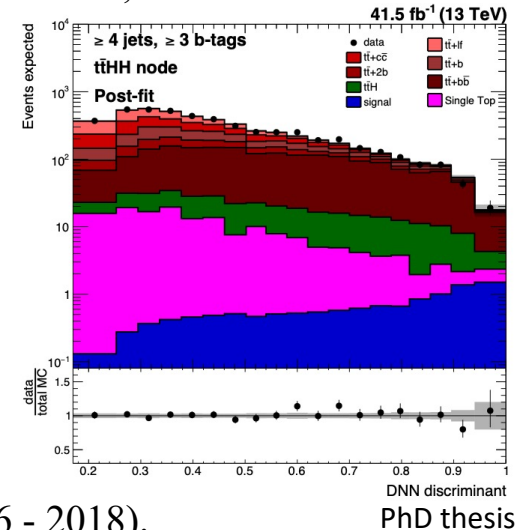
$ttHH$ is expected to have ~ 3000 events at HL-LHC

Previous CMS Related Analyses

- CMS Collaboration, “[Measurement of ttH production in the H → bb decay channel in 41.5fb⁻¹ of proton-proton collision data at sqrt{s} = 13TeV.](#)” CMS-PAS-HIG-18-030.
- Leônidas Augusto Fernandes do Prado, “[Exploring the Higgs sector beyond the standard model with the top Yukawa coupling: a phenomenological and experimental search](#)”, PhD thesis, 2020.

Best fit (μ)	Observed	$4.9^{+14.4}_{-12.8}$
95% CL upper limits on μ	Observed	32.9
	Expected (Median)	28.9
	Expected (68% CL range)	[20.1, 42.2]
	Expected (95% CL range)	[14.9, 59.6]

PhD thesis



- Goal: perform ttHH(tt→SL, HH→bbbb) analysis using full Run 2 data (2016 - 2018).
- We are following the 2017 analysis strategy with an updated analysis framework.
- We expect tighter bounds on the signal strength (μ) and begin searching for deviations from the SM.

Event Selection

- Baseline Selection is the same as the ttH full Run 2 analysis (in progress)

SL channel	
Number of leptons	1
p_T of lepton (e/μ) [GeV]	$> 30/29$
p_T of additional lepton (e/μ) [GeV]	< 15
$ \eta $ of leptons and jets	< 2.4
Number of Jets	≥ 4
p_T of jets [GeV]	> 30
Number of b tagged jets	≥ 3
p_T^{miss} [GeV]	> 20

Results

- Currently using simulated 2017 SM samples:

Type	MC sample	Events
▲ Signal	ttHH, HH -> bbbb, madgraph+pythia8	9888000
▲ Background	ttH, H -> bb, powheg+pythia8	8000000
Background	TTToSemiLeptonic, powheg+pythia8	110014744
▲ Background	TTToSemiLeptonic, powheg+pythia8+new pmx	43732445

▲ : used for DNN training

- Results:

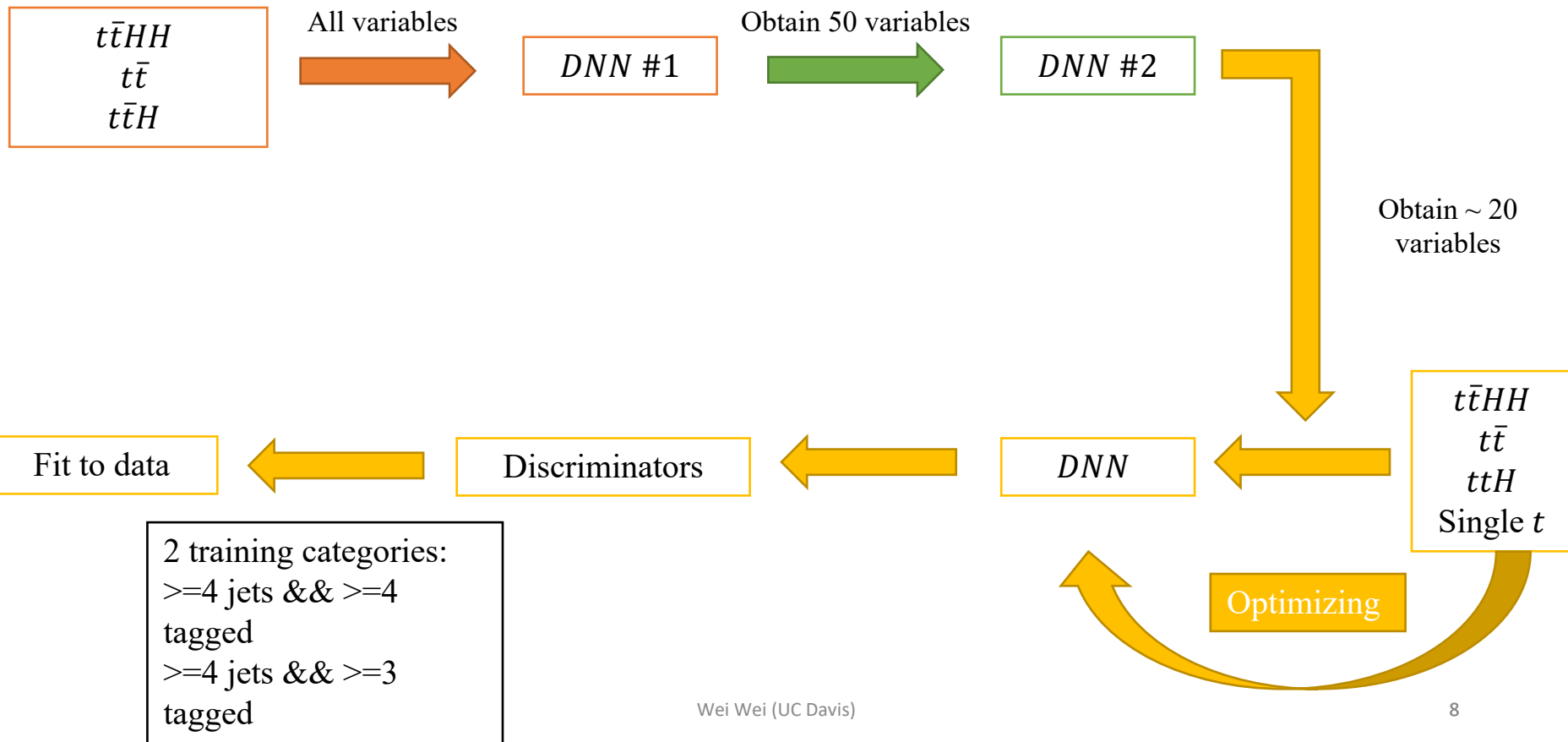
	nGen	Selection
ttHH	9888000	1294101
ttHbb	8000000	616670
ttSL	43732445	353896



N-tupling trees
are produced

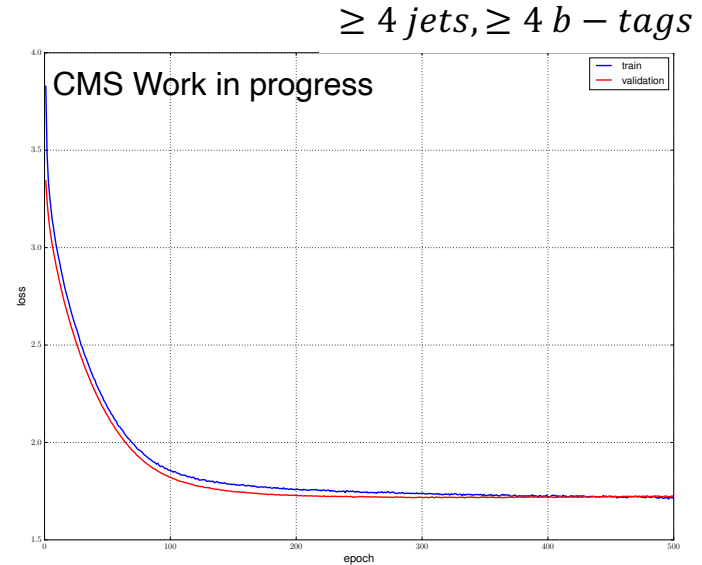
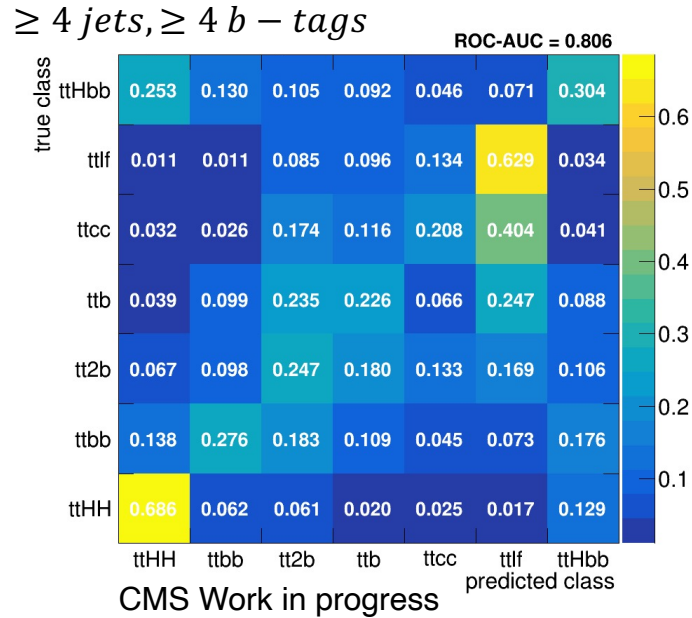
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Deep Neural network (DNN)



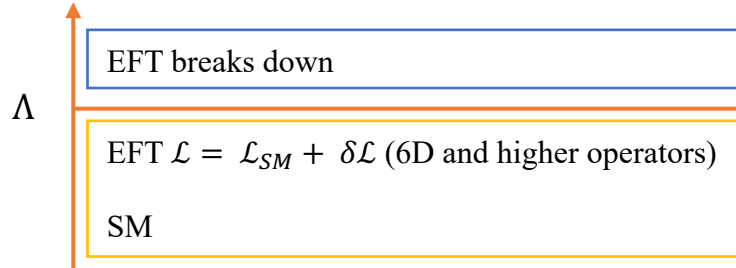
Confusion matrices

- DNN training with all variables

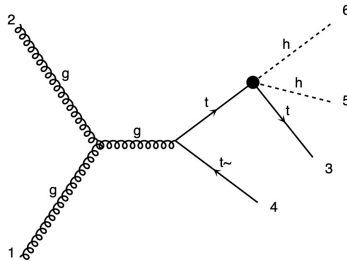


Effective Field Theory Search

- ttHH is sensitive to Higgs self coupling, thus is also interesting for BSM physics searches
- Effective field theory: It studies possible deviations from SM below the energy scale and thus could reveal new physics (beyond Λ) without knowing the ‘real’ theory.



- A simplified EFT model is developed to study ttHH independently of ttH by introducing higher order gauge-invariant operators



$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{g_t}{2v} tthh = \frac{G_2 v^3}{\sqrt{2}} tthh$$

EFT Study

- Built the EFT model and generated MC events for $t\bar{t}HH$
- Higgs is produced at higher p_T due to the new vertex

$$\text{SM: } \sigma(t\bar{t}HH) = 0.7494 \text{ fb}$$

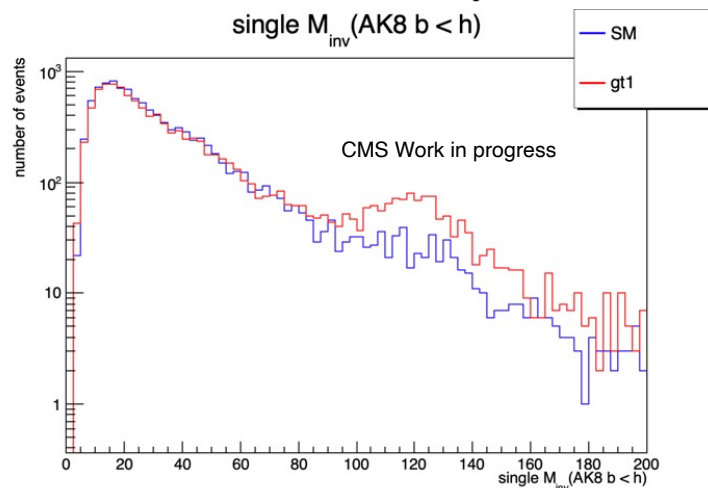
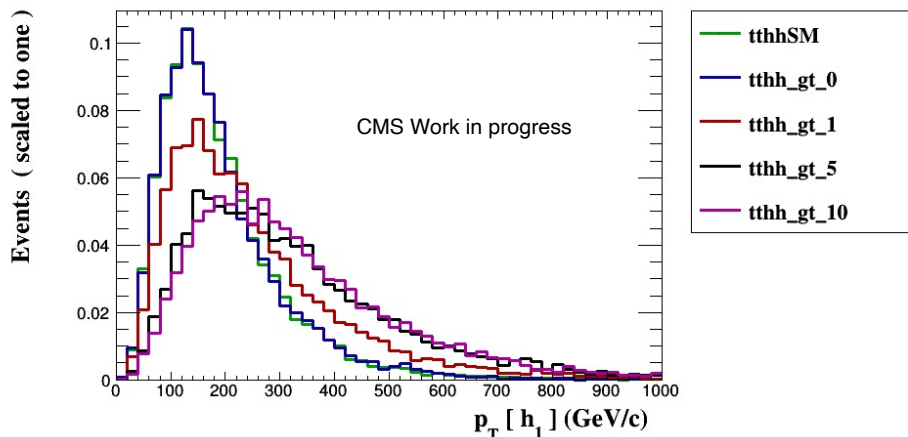
$$g_t = 0: \sigma(t\bar{t}HH) = 0.7387 \text{ fb}$$

$$g_t = 1: \sigma(t\bar{t}HH) = 1.959 \text{ fb}$$

$$g_t = 5: \sigma(t\bar{t}HH) = 20.91 \text{ fb}$$

$$g_t = 10: \sigma(t\bar{t}HH) = 76.16 \text{ fb}$$

- Observe an enhancement around the Higgs mass in the single b-jet mass spectrum
- These features provide new handles for signal search



Summary

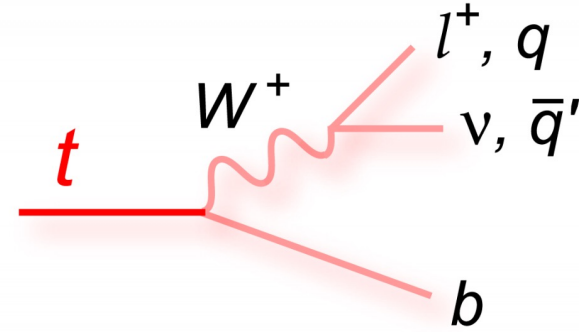
- Presented a preliminary SM search for $t\bar{t}HH$ ($t\bar{t}\rightarrow SL$, $HH\rightarrow bbbb$). A first iteration to set up the full DNN categorization procedure is in place.
- Showed kinematic results for $t\bar{t}HH$ in a simplified EFT model. Observe deviations from SM in single b -jet mass spectrum.
- The $t\bar{t}HH$ process will become more and more important as CMS accumulates data in Run 3 and HL-LHC

Thanks for your attention!

Backup

- Top quark

$$t \rightarrow bW, W \rightarrow \begin{cases} l\nu_l : \Gamma \approx \frac{1}{3} \\ qq' : \Gamma \approx \frac{2}{3} \end{cases}$$

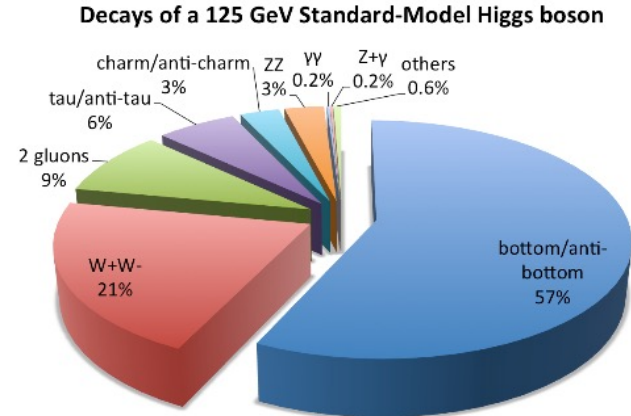


Semi-leptonic (SL) : $tt \rightarrow bW bW \rightarrow qq' l\nu_l$:

$$\Gamma \approx \frac{4}{9}$$

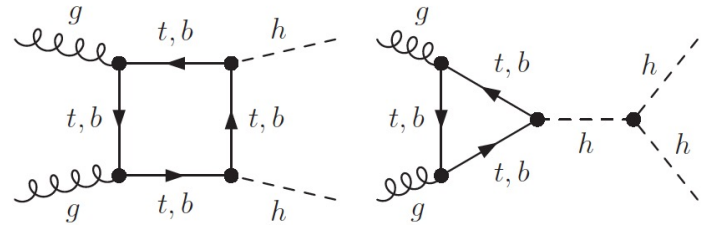
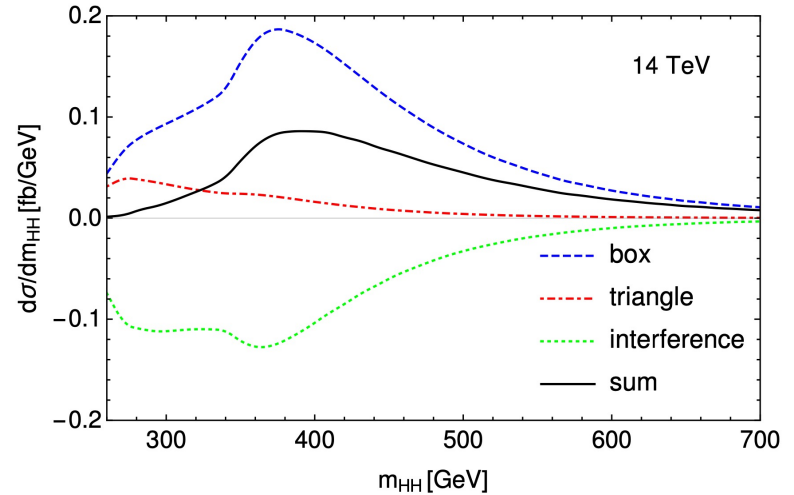
- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b} : \Gamma \approx 0.57$

- $t\bar{t} (SL)HH (4b) : \Gamma \approx 0.57 \times 0.57 \times \frac{4}{9} \approx 0.14$



Backup

- The effect of destructive interference terms:
 - Due to the large destructive interference, the effect of the trilinear Higgs self-coupling in the LO total cross section amounts to a reduction of about 50% with respect to the box-only contribution. ([1910.00012](#))
 - Decrease the sensitivity of measuring this Higgs coupling



Diagrams for Higgs pair production at LO

Backup

- Signal Model for ttHH

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + G_1(H^\dagger H)(QHt^c + \text{h.c.}) + G_2(H^\dagger H)^2(QHt^c + \text{h.c.})$$

$$G_1 \sim \frac{1}{M^2}, \quad G_2 \sim \frac{1}{M^4}$$

$$m_t = \frac{y_t v}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{G_1 v^3}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{G_2 v^5}{4\sqrt{2}}$$

$$g_{tth} = \frac{y_t}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3G_1 v^2}{2\sqrt{2}} + \frac{5G_2 v^4}{4\sqrt{2}}$$

$$g_{tthh} = \frac{3G_1 v^2}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{5G_2 v^4}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Requiring m_t and g_{tth} unchanged



$$G_1 = -G_2 v^2$$

$$y_t = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_t}{v} + \frac{G_2 v^4}{4}$$

$$g_{tthh} = \sqrt{2}G_2 v^4$$

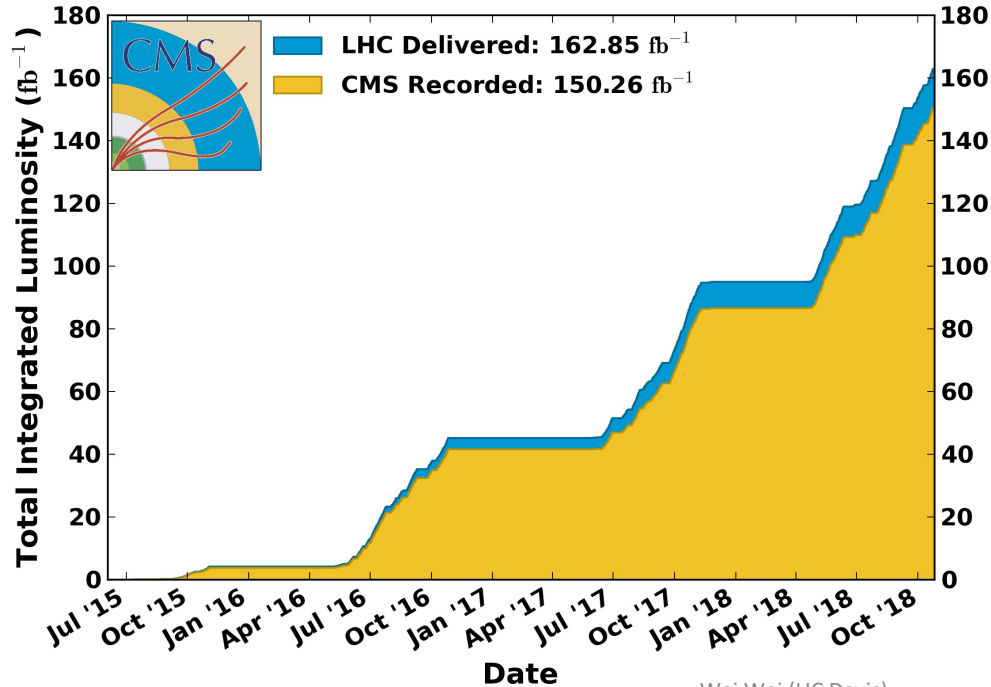
$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{g_t}{2v} tthh = \frac{G_2 v^3}{\sqrt{2}} tthh$$

Backup

- CMS Run 2 integrated luminosity

CMS Integrated Luminosity, pp, $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Data included from 2015-06-03 08:41 to 2018-10-26 08:23 UTC

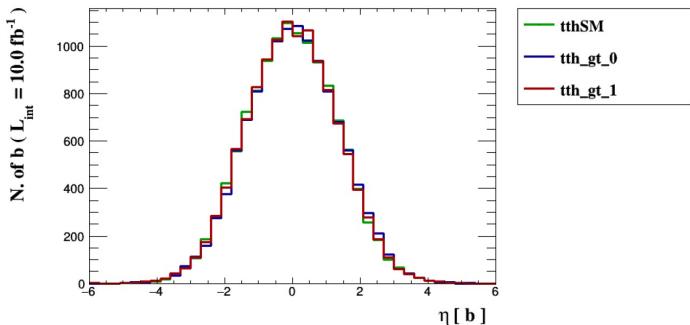


Year	Integrated luminosity(/fb)
2016	35.9
2017	41.5
2018	59.7

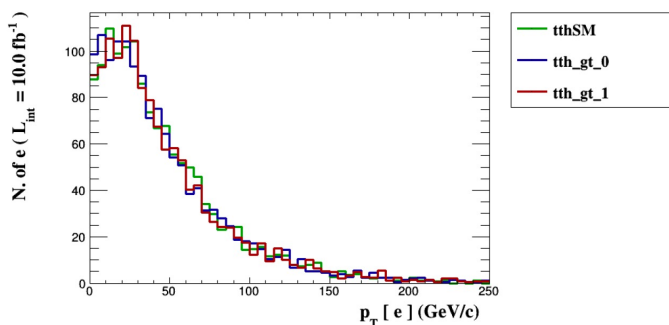
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- Built the EFT model and generated MC events for ttH to make sure it's unchanged

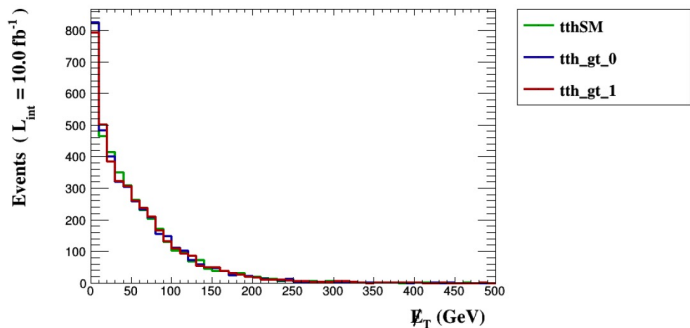
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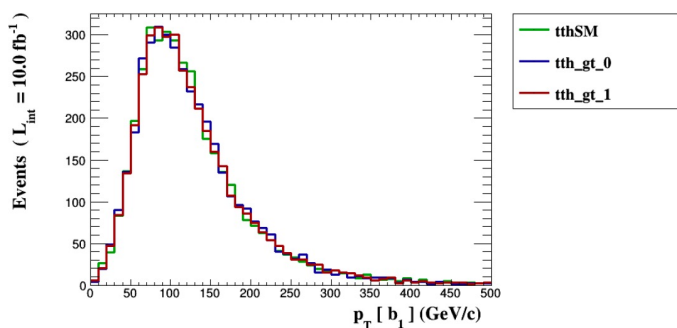
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Generate ttH (LO) at $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$

SM : $\sigma(t\bar{t}H) = 0.3987 \text{ pb}$

$g_t = 0$: $\sigma(t\bar{t}H) = 0.4007 \text{ pb}$

$g_t = 1$: $\sigma(t\bar{t}H) = 0.3988 \text{ pb}$