

# Annual report first year of PhD course

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# Overview

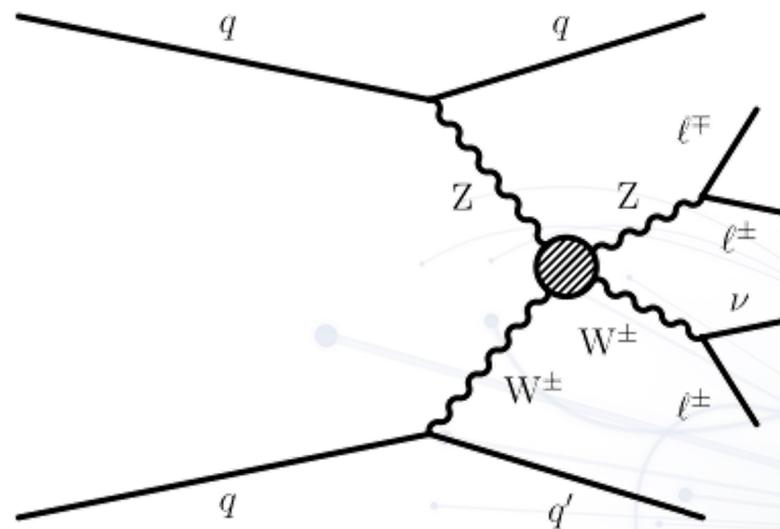
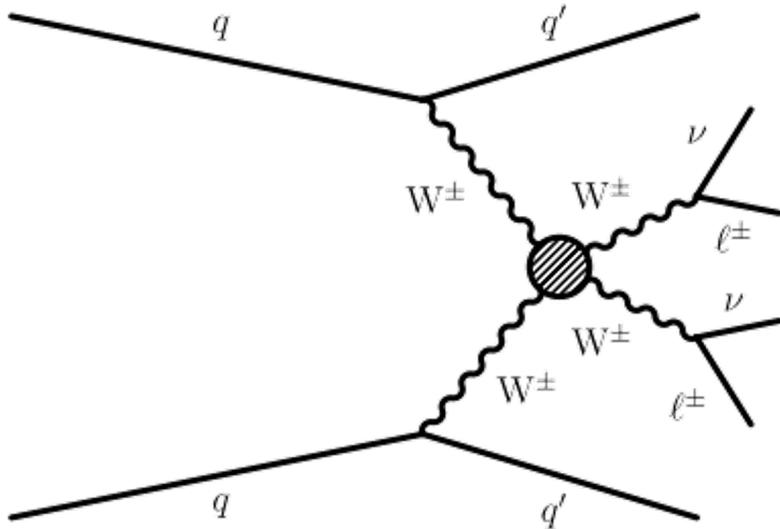
- Vector Boson Scattering with hadronic decay of  $\tau$  lepton in the final state
  - Overview about VBS
  - Status of the analysis
- CMS outer tracker for High Luminosity
  - Assembly of modules in Perugia
  - Collaboration with MUonE experiment



# VBS with hadronic decay of $\tau$ lepton

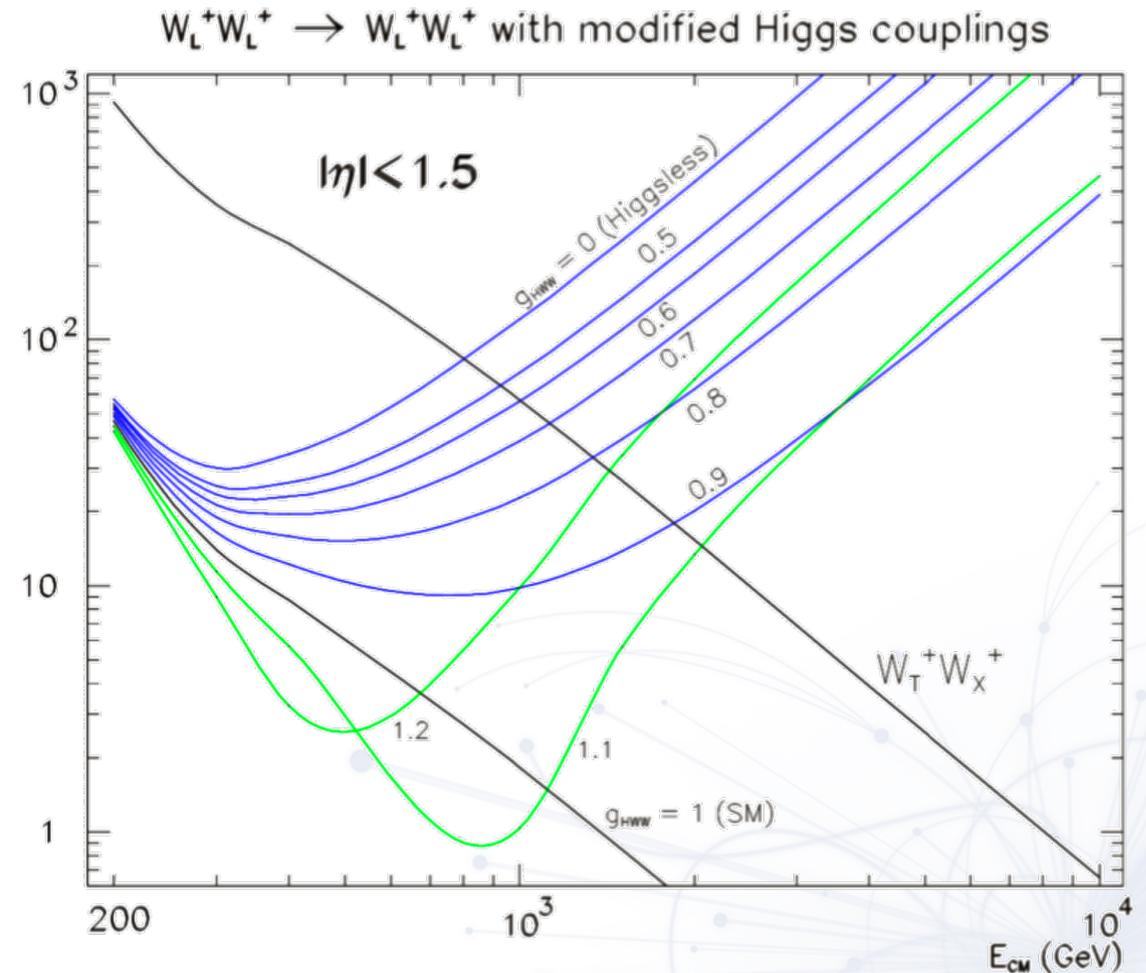
# What is vector boson scattering?

- Vector Boson Scattering (VBS):  $VV \rightarrow VV$  process ( $V=W, Z$ )
- @ LHC  $\rightarrow$  final state with two jets + V decays
  - $qq \rightarrow 2 V$  radiation  $\rightarrow V$  decay
- Part of diboson + 2 jets production



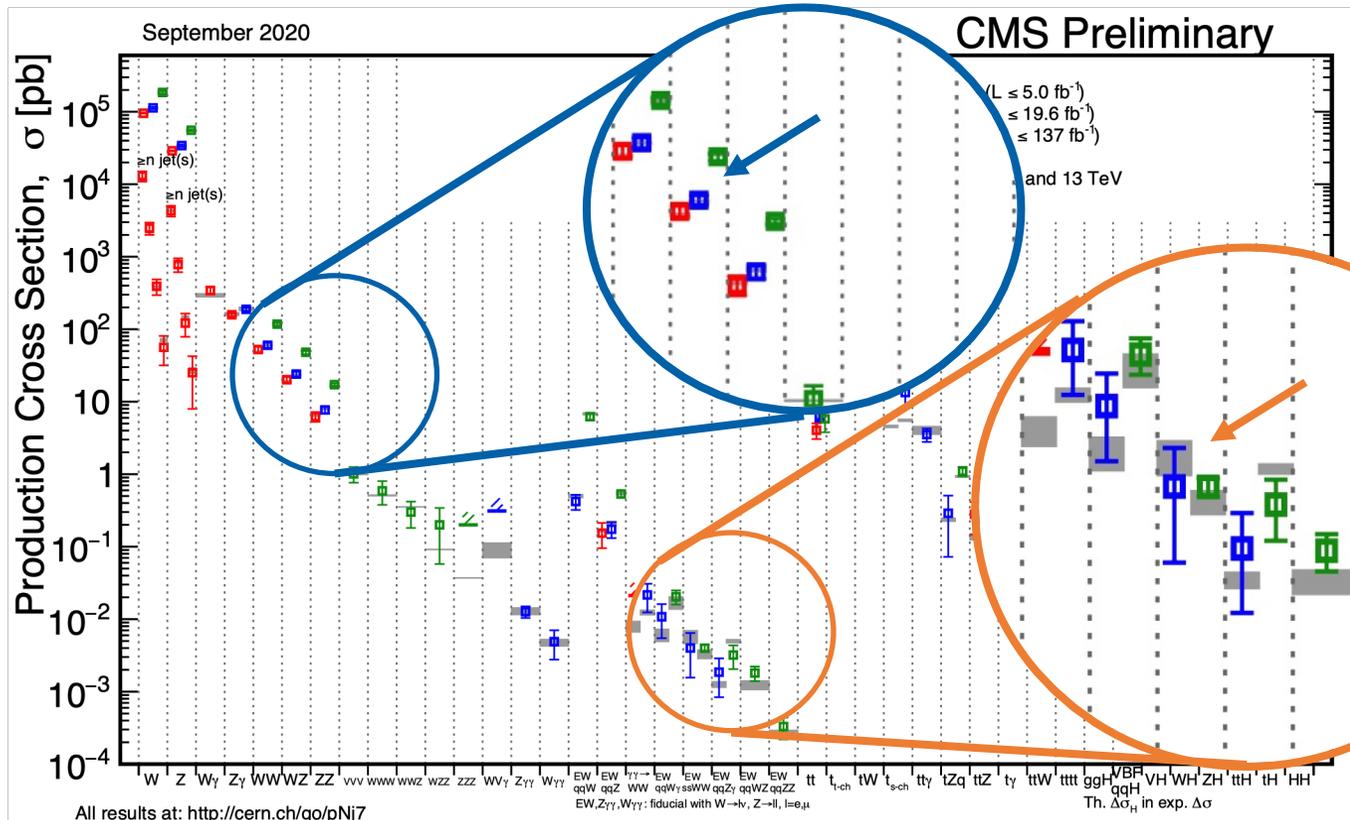
# Why is VBS interesting?

- Higgs discovery  $\rightarrow$  vector bosons acquire mass through Brout – Englert – Higgs mechanism, but modifications in the Higgs sector have effect on the vector bosons masses
- Changes in the Higgs sector  $\rightarrow$  scattering of longitudinally polarized vector bosons **diverges with energy for couplings different than SM**  $\rightarrow$  VBS is a powerful probe for anomalies in the EWSB process
- My research project  $\rightarrow$  scattering between two same sign Ws (ssWW VBS)



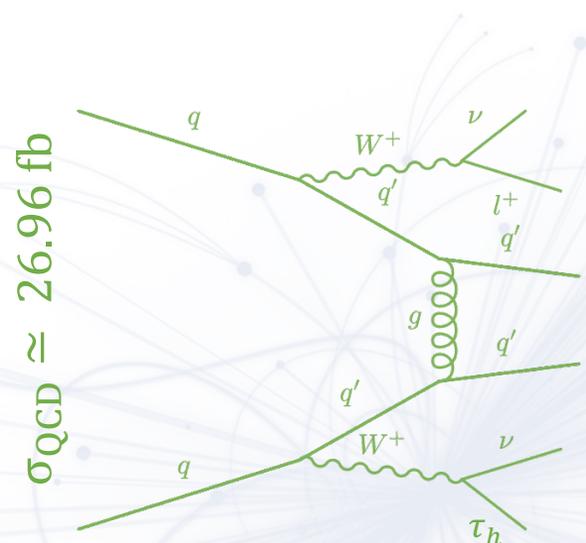
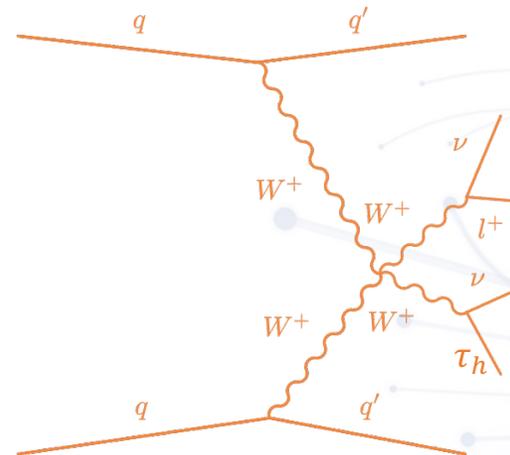
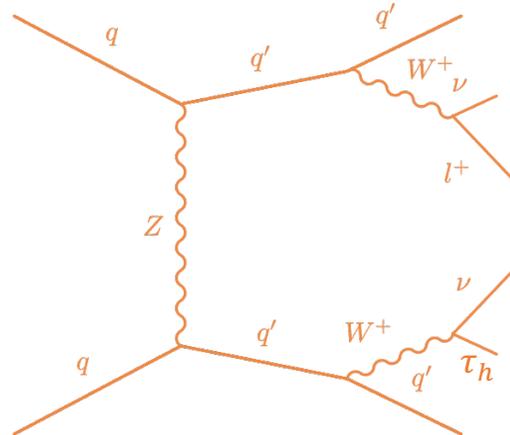
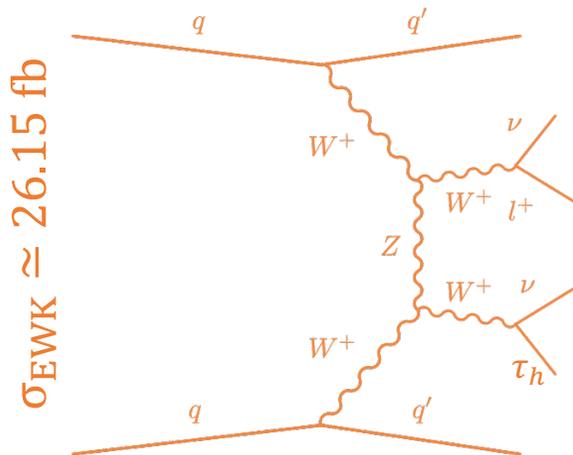
# Why ssWW?

- Highest  $\frac{\sigma_{\text{EWK}}}{\sigma_{\text{QCD}}} \sim 1$  (e.g. opposite sign production  $\rightarrow \frac{\sigma_{\text{QCD}}}{\sigma_{\text{EWK}}} \sim 50$ )
- Final state with leptonic decay of the W «easy» to find  
 $qq \rightarrow qqW^{\pm}W^{\pm} \rightarrow \ell^{\pm}\ell^{\pm}\nu_{\ell}\nu_{\ell}jj$   
 $(\ell = e, \mu)$
- Compromise between cross section and final state purity

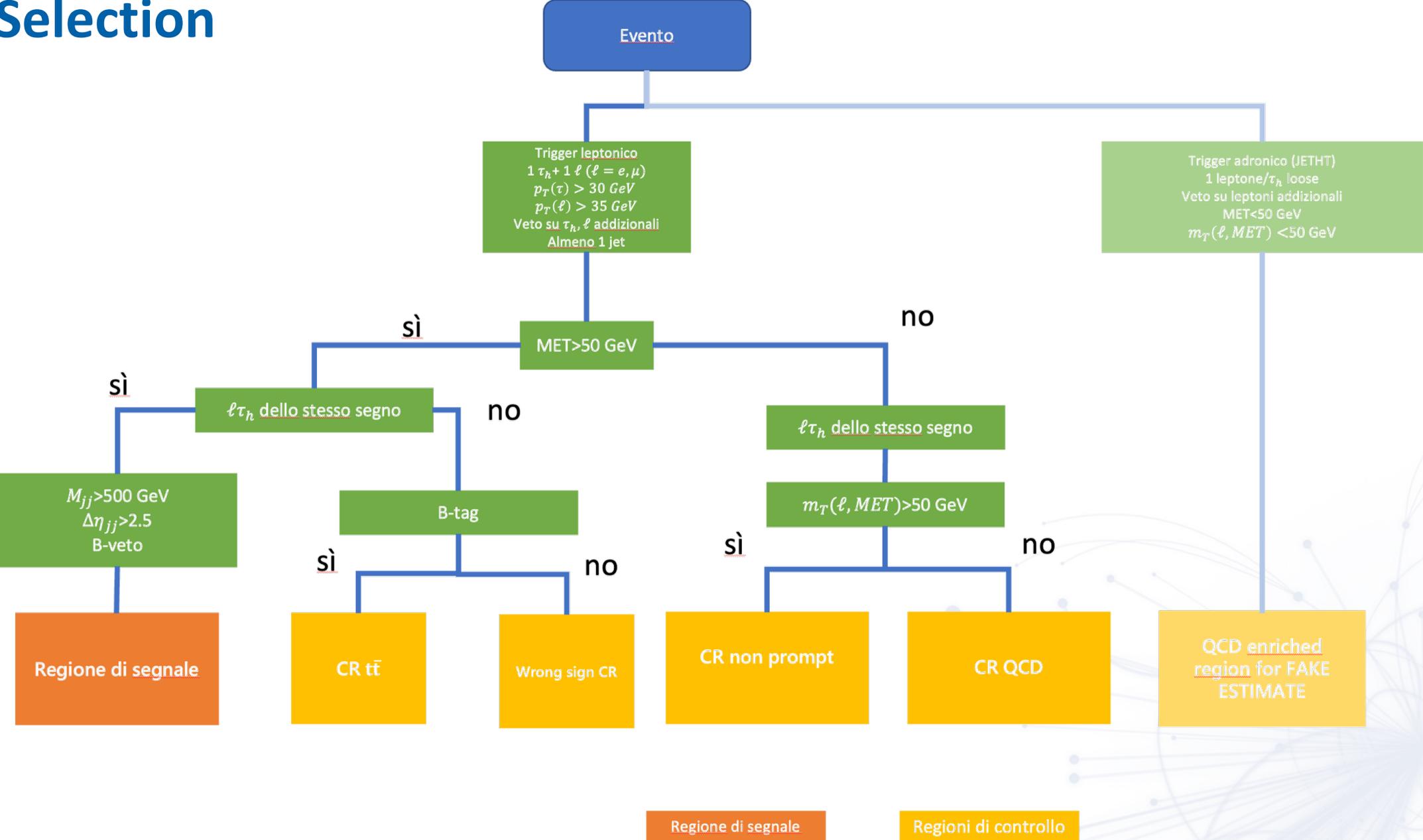


# VBS: two same sign Ws with $\tau_h$

- 4 LO diagrams for VBS ssWW processes:
  - EWK ssWW: signal
  - QCD ssWW: background
- Final state considered in the analysis:  $\ell^\pm \tau_h^\pm jj \nu_\ell \nu_\tau$  ( $\ell = e, \mu$ )
  - $\tau$  high mass  $\rightarrow$  possible enhancement of BSM effect wrt light leptons
- First study for CMS collaboration with this final state in this channel

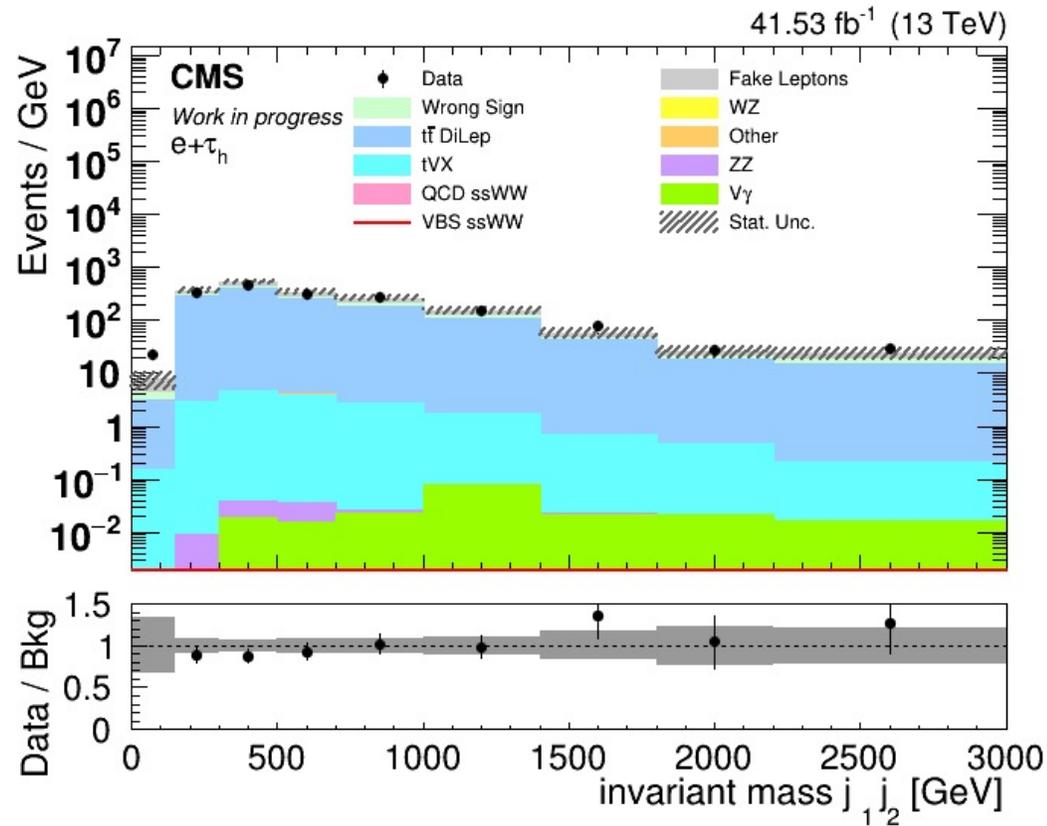


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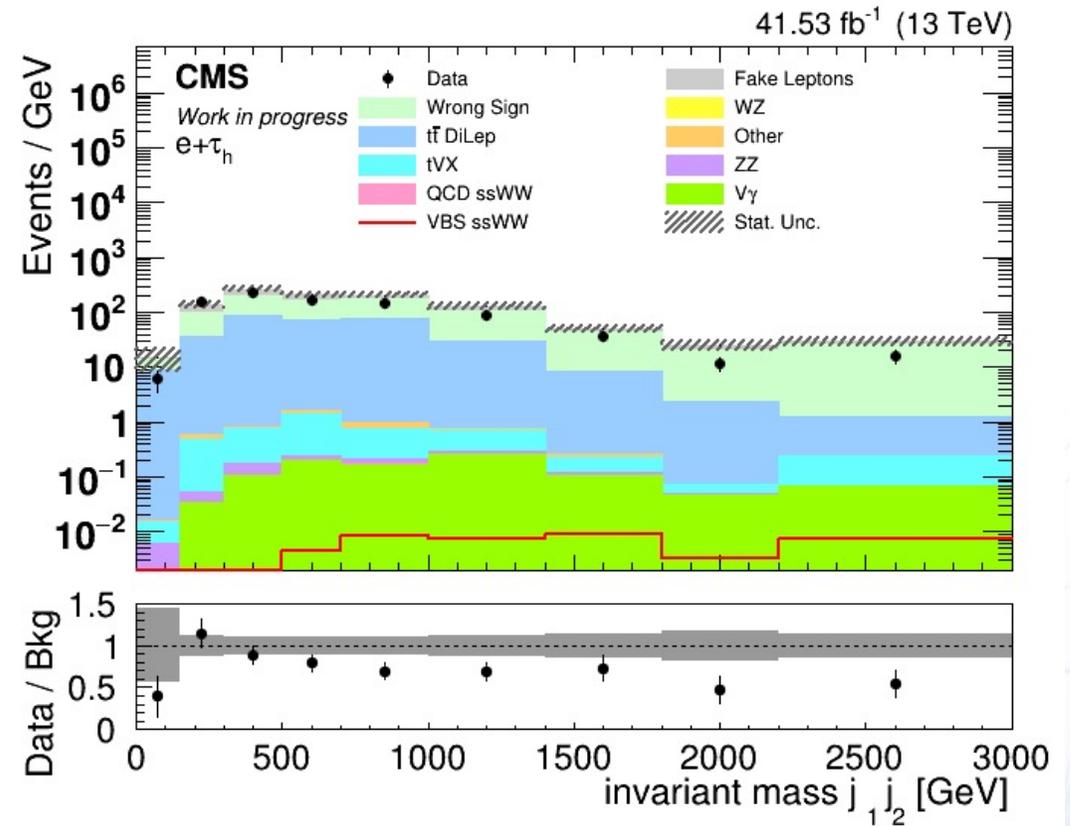


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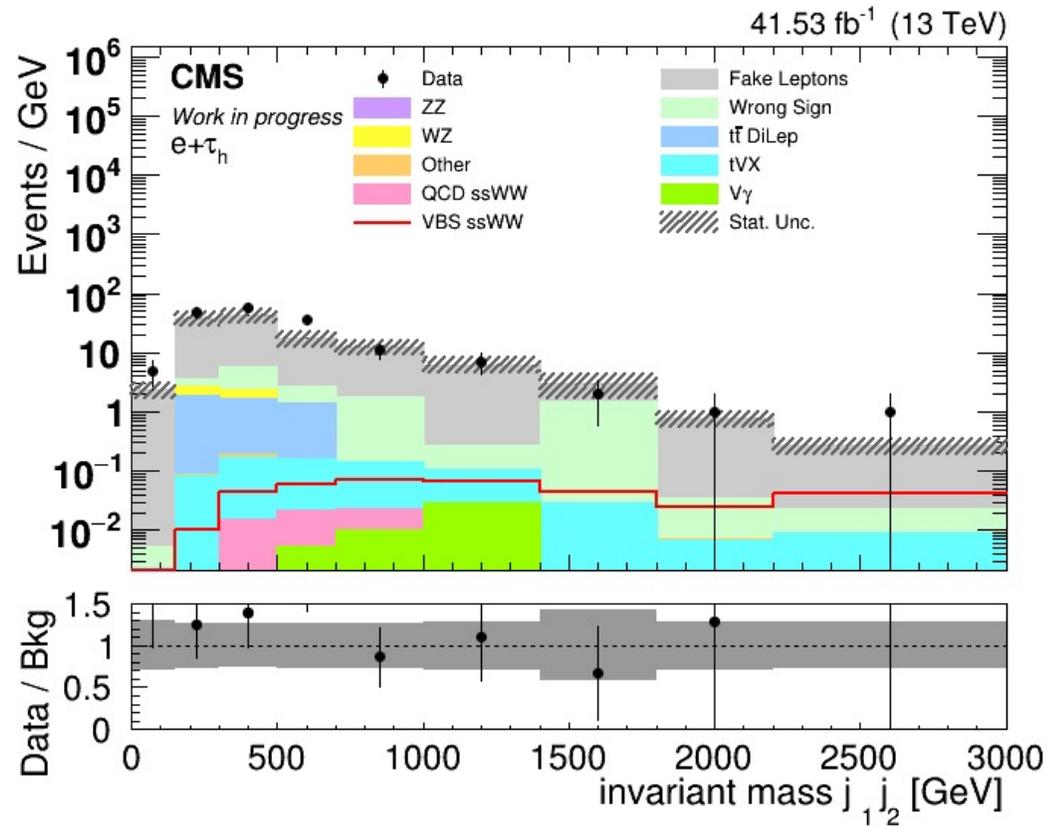


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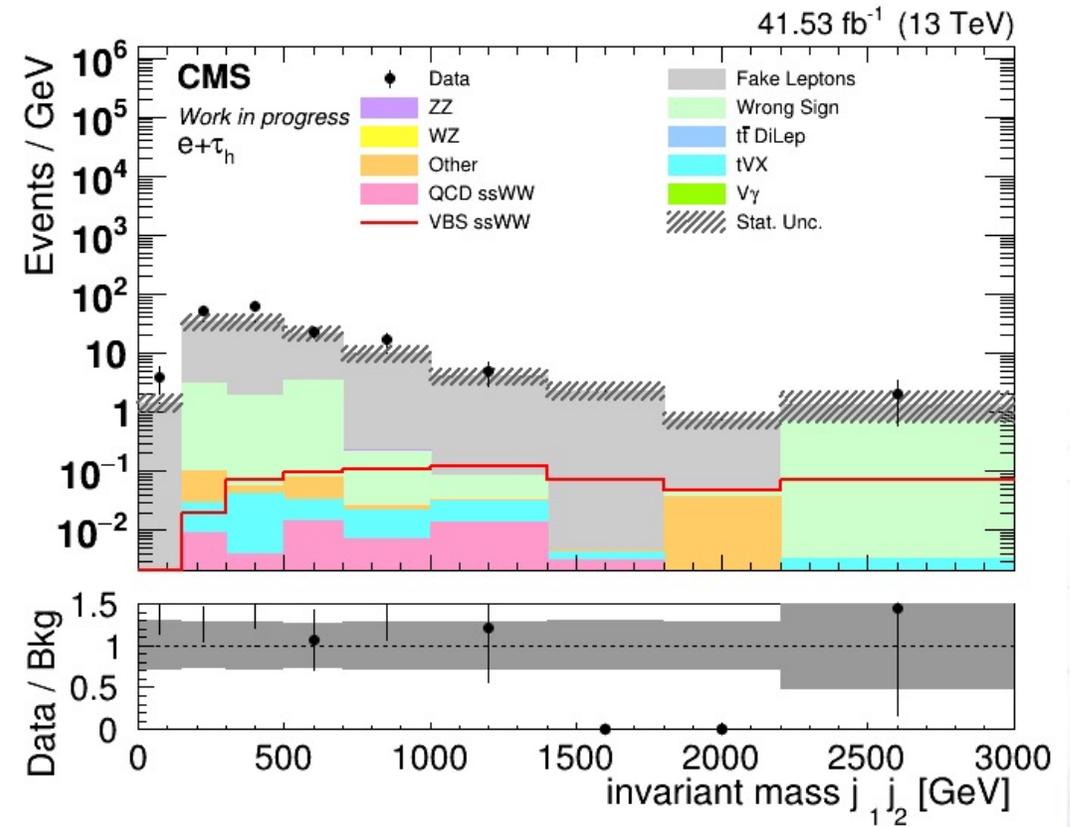


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## QCD CR

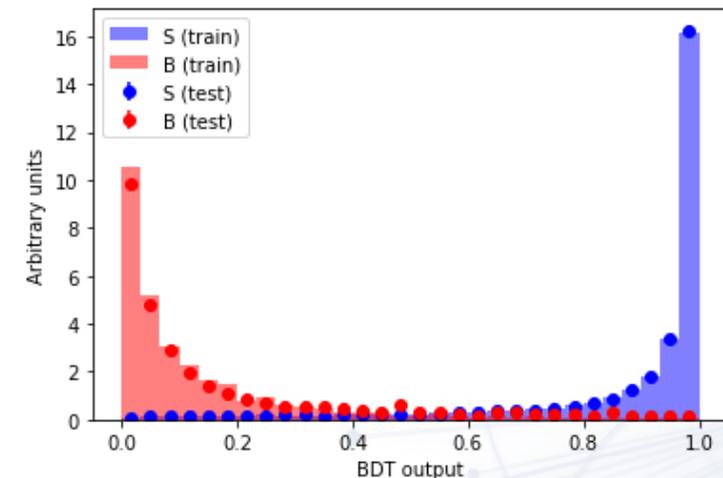
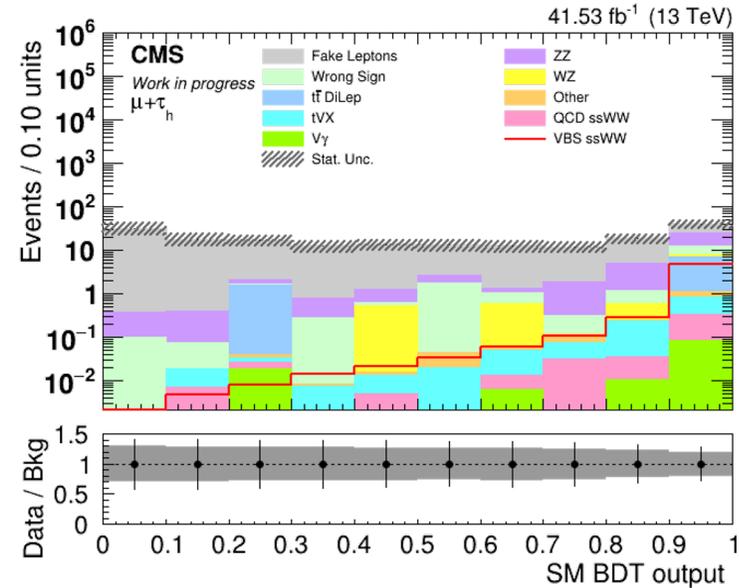


## W+jets CR



# Preliminary studies on the SM process sensitivity for 2017 CMS data

- Luminosity considered: RunII - 2017 CMS data  $\rightarrow 41.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- BDT trained for discriminating signal (VBS SSWW SM) vs major backgrounds ( $W+\text{jets} + t\bar{t}$ )  $\rightarrow$  good signal-background discrimination
- Significance study on the blinded signal region  $\rightarrow$  fit with Combine tool over the signal + control regions
- Variable fitted: BDT output  $\rightarrow$  obtained **significance  $\sim 0.548$**



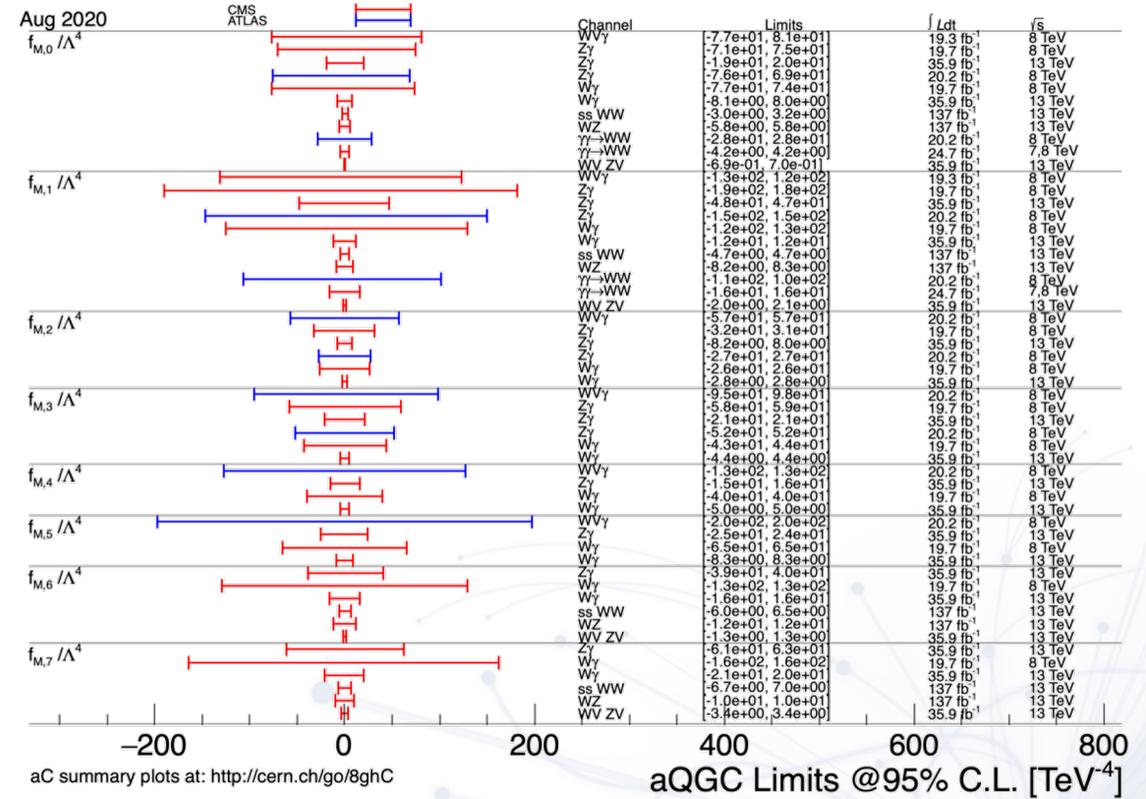
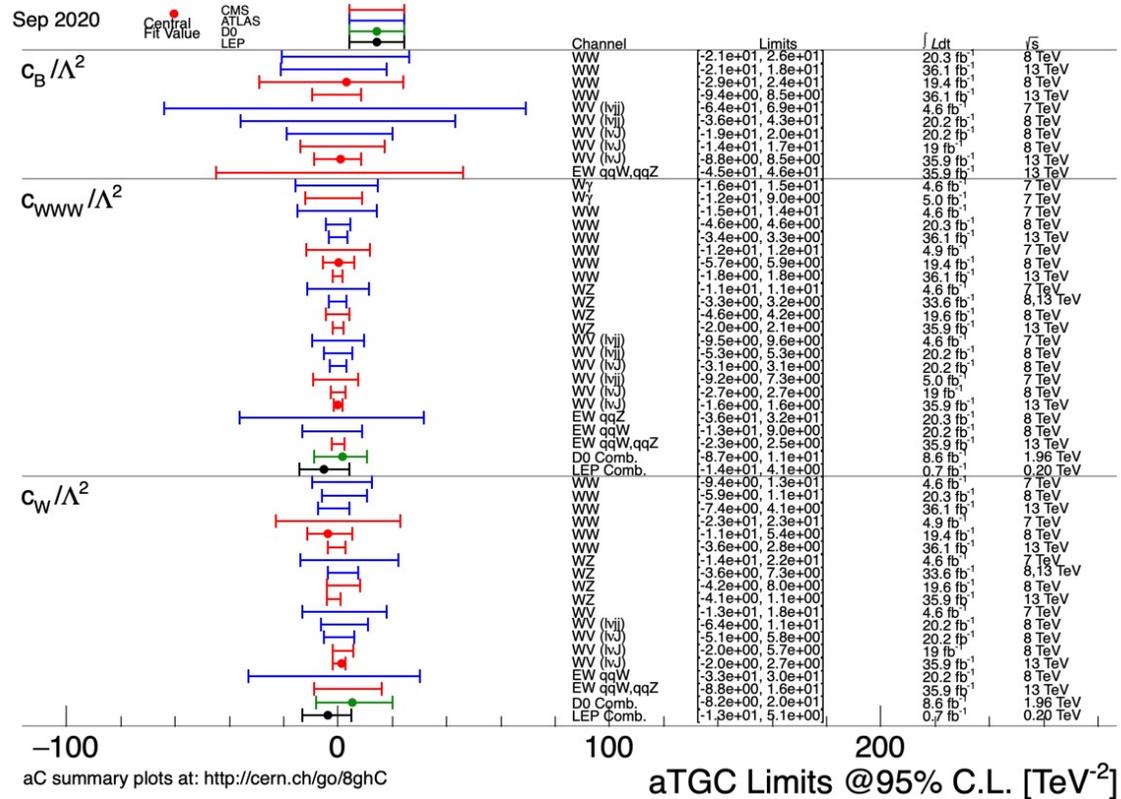
# BSM searches – Effective Field Theory approach

- SM as low energy effect of a more general UV complete theory
- Standard Model Effective Field Theory (SMEFT) → expansion over the scale at which new physics should appear ( $\Lambda$ )

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i c_i^{(6)} \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)} + \sum_i c_i^{(8)} \mathcal{O}_i^{(8)} + \dots$$

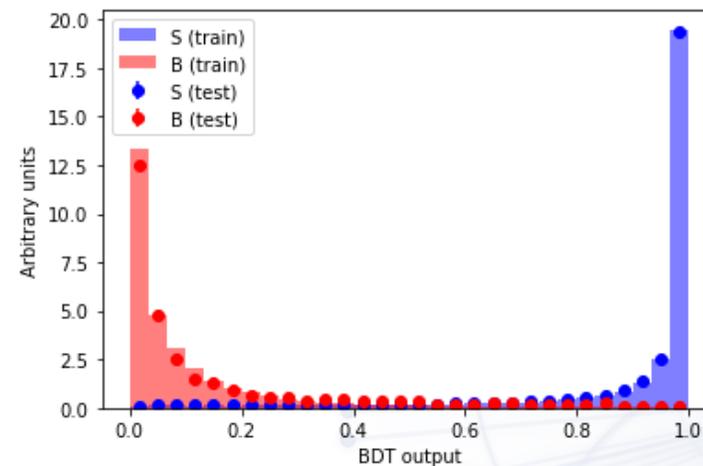
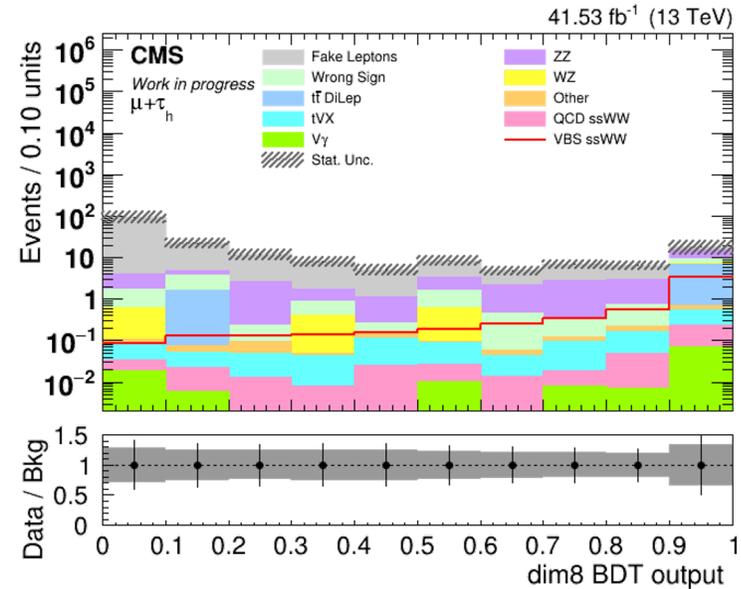
- VBS → upper and lower limits on Wilson coefficients for SMEFT operator with dimension  $> 4$
- 2499 independent parameters for  $\text{dim}(6) \ll \text{dim}(8)$  → impossible to fit all of them together
- Fitting just the CP preserving operators
- Historically, VBS is used to put constraints on  $\text{dim}(8)$  operator coefficients

# Effective Field Theory coefficient now



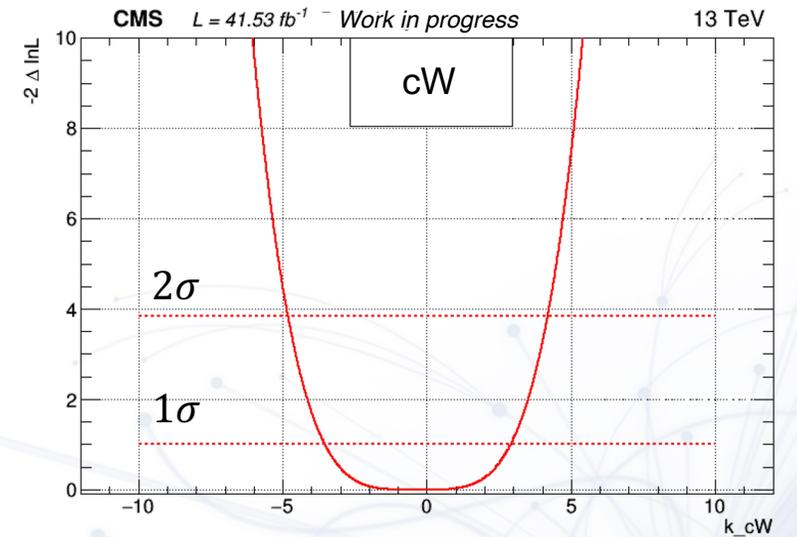
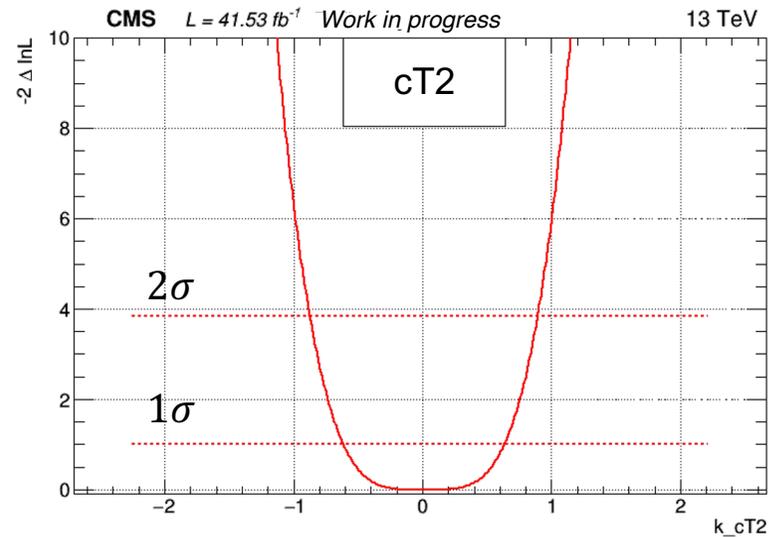
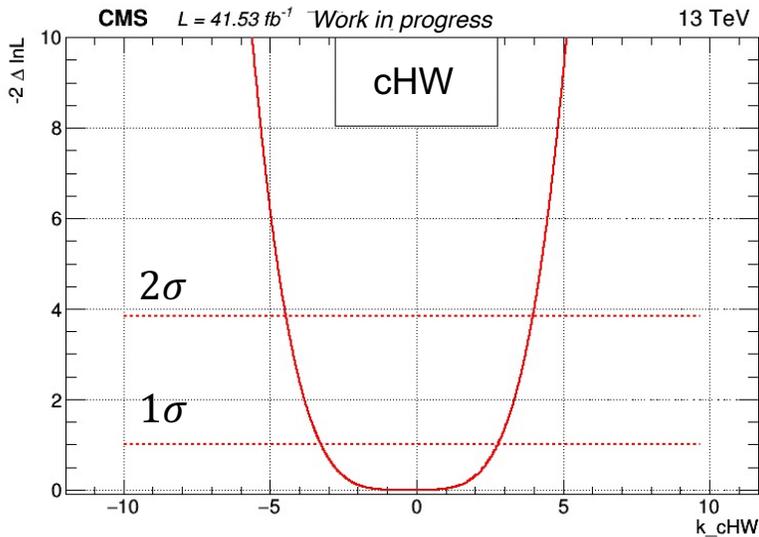
# BSM – preliminary studies on anomalous couplings

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- BDT trained for discriminating signal (VBS SSWW SM + operators with  $\text{dim} > 4$ ) vs major backgrounds ( $W + \text{jets} + t\bar{t}$ )  $\rightarrow$  good signal-background discrimination
- BDT output used for profiled likelihood fit with Combine tool, to extract limits on the coefficients



# Limits on anomalous gauge couplings

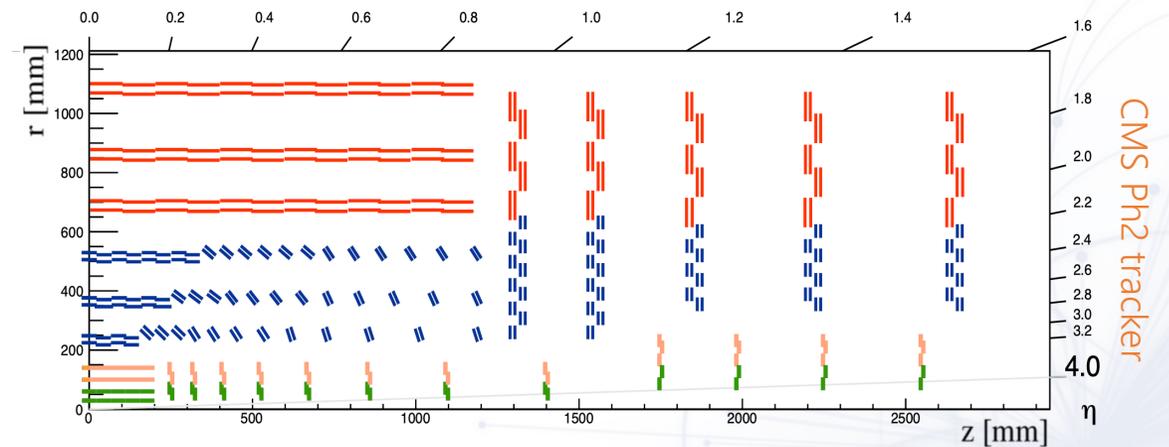
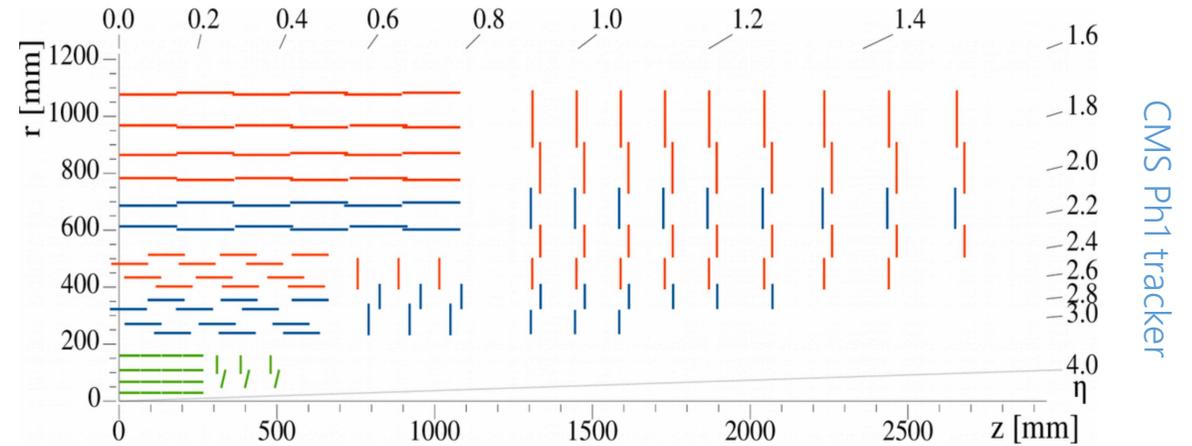
- Preliminary estimated limits  $\rightarrow$  results comparable with ones by "classic" analysis with light leptons in the final state



# CMS outer tracker

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- Hi-Lumi upgrade of LHC after LS3 (~2026)
  - Peak Luminosity  $\sim 7.5 \times 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
  - Expected Pile-up  $\sim 200$
  - Higher rates and radiation dose wrt Run3
  - New Magnets (11T)
  - Etc..
- Necessary upgrade of current tracker:
  - leakage current or full depletion voltage limitations  $\rightarrow$  big part of current tracker will be inoperational
  - Higher radiation level  $\rightarrow$  upgraded tracker target: integrated luminosity of  $3000 \text{fb}^{-1}$
  - Efficient tracking + Higher pileup  $\rightarrow$  Increase of granularity needed
  - Contribution to level-1 trigger  $\rightarrow$  selection of interesting physics at the first trigger stage is extremely challenging at high luminosity

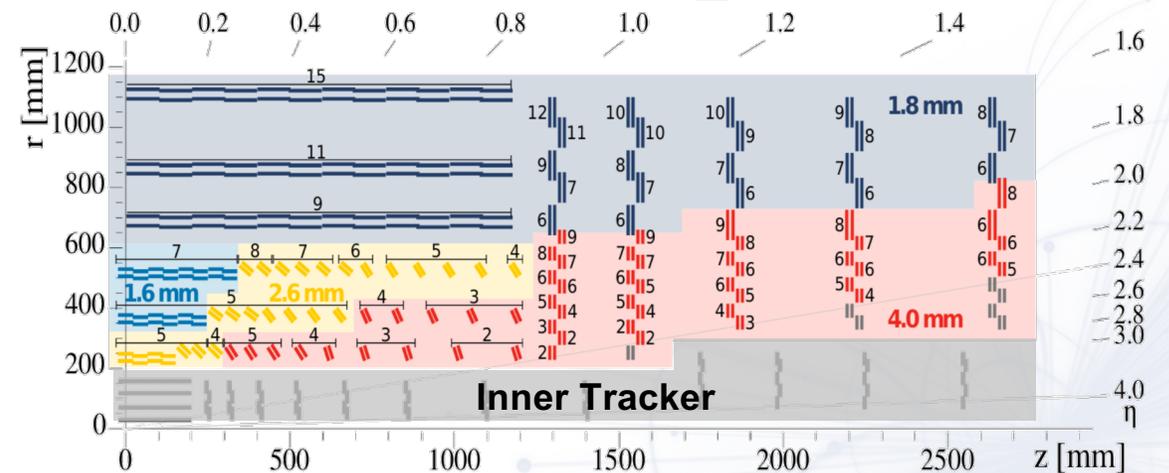
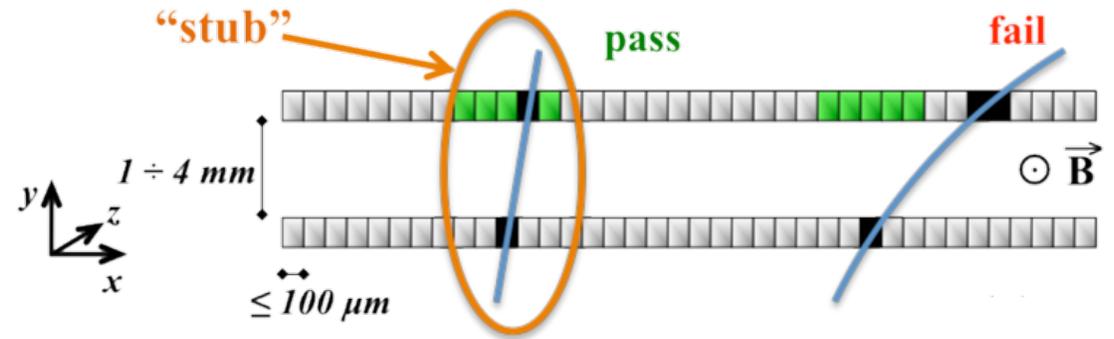


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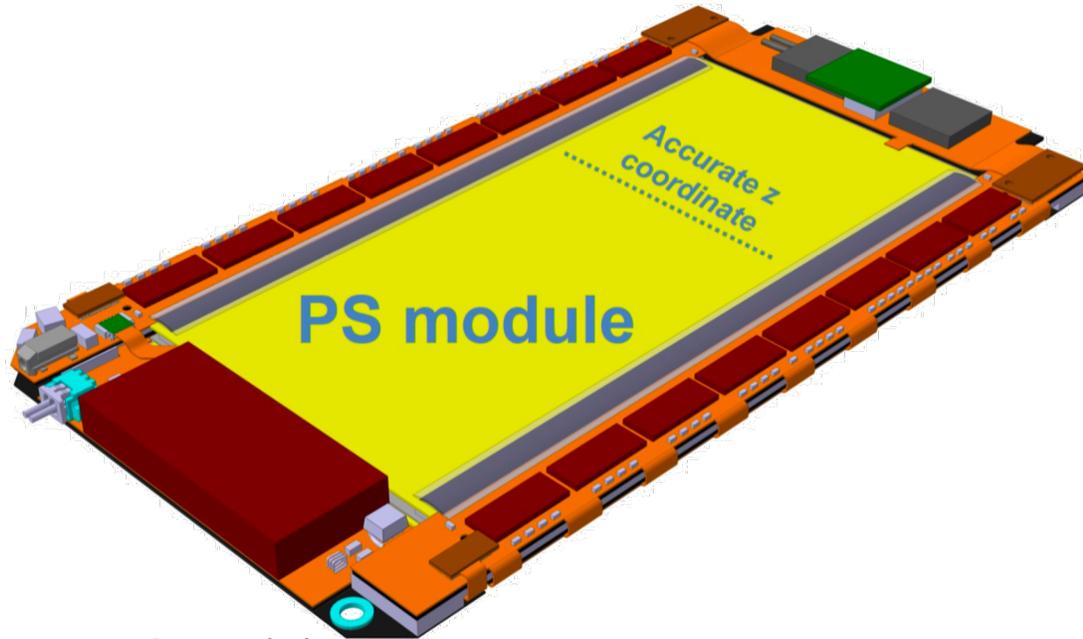
- HL-LHC → higher collision rate → Most of charged particles have low  $p_T$  →  $p_T$  selection at readout level in order to reduce the L1 tracking input data size

## $p_T$ modules

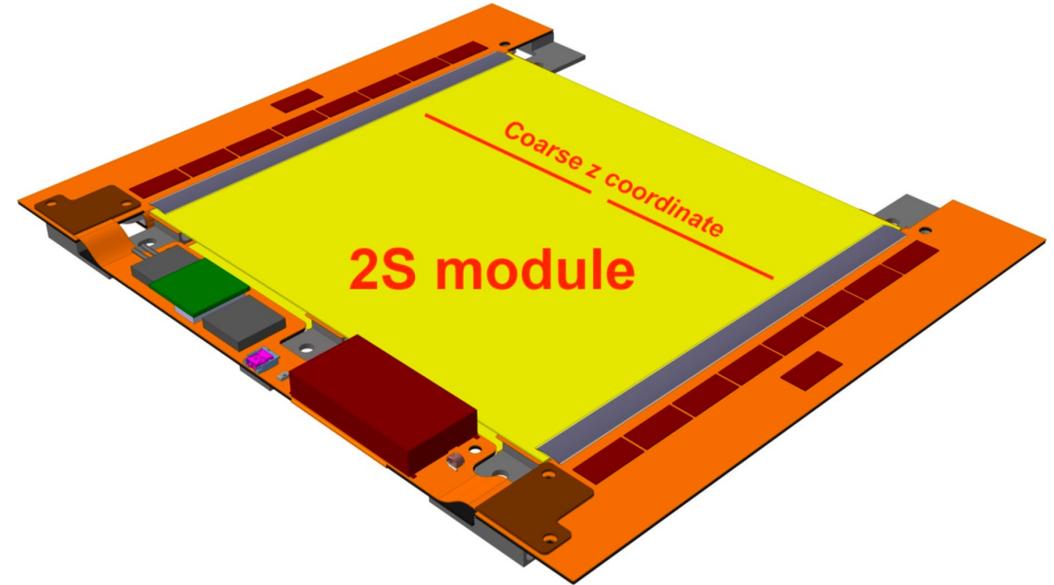
- Two silicon sensors with small spacing in a module
- Flex hybrid in order to get data from both sensors to one ASIC → **Select track «stubs»**
- Different sensor spacing for different detector region
- Tunable correlation windows



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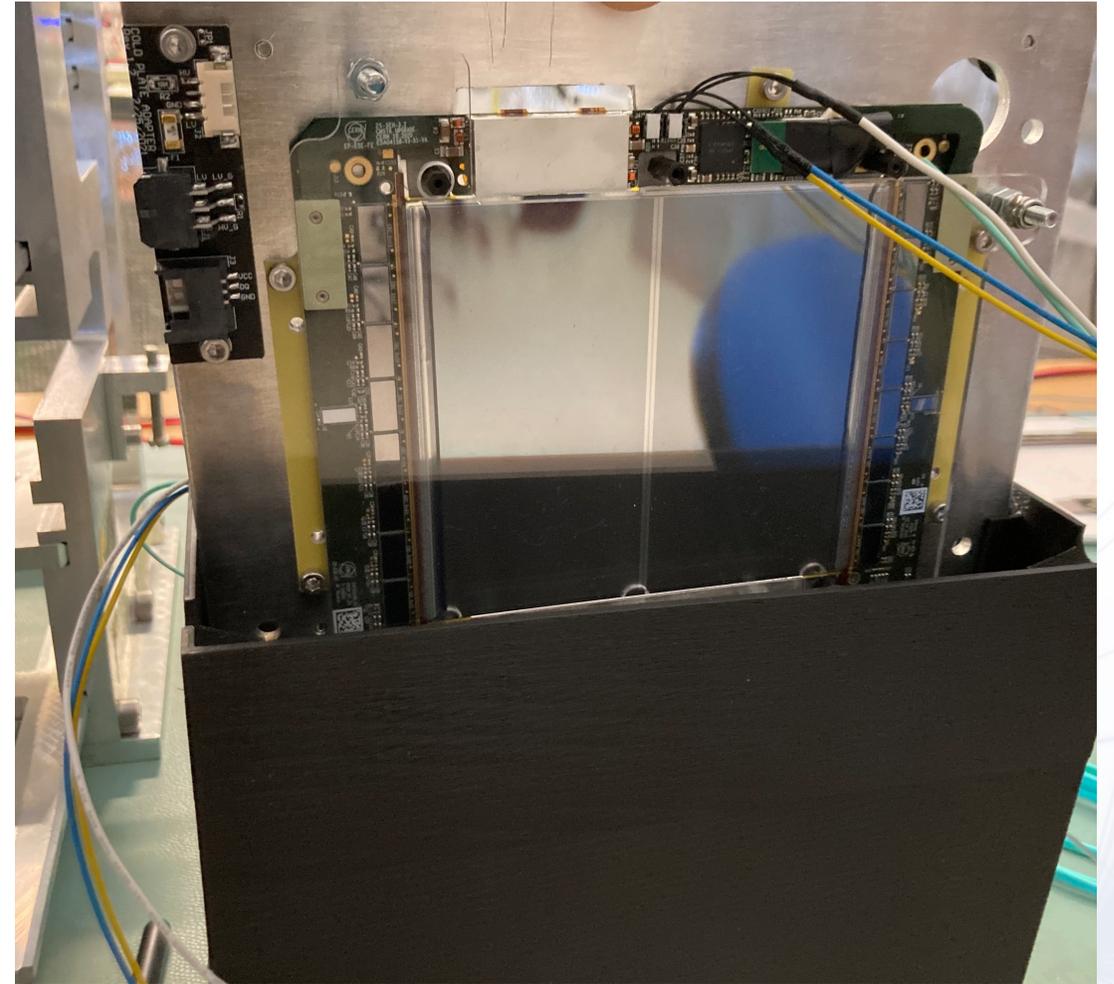
- PS Modules
  - 3 different spacing : 1.6mm & 2.6mm & 4mm
  - One strip sensor: 2.5cm x 100 $\mu$ m strips
  - One macro Pixel sensor : 1.5mm x 100 $\mu$ m pixels
  - Sensor dimension 5cm x 10 cm
    - two column of 960 strips
    - 32x960 pixels



- 2S Modules
  - 2 different spacing : 1.8mm & 4mm
  - 2 micro strip sensors with 5cm x 90 $\mu$ m strips
  - Sensor dimension are 10cm x 10cm
    - two column of 1016 strips

# CMS outer tracker – 2S modules and MUonE

- First 2S functional module from Perugia delivered @ CERN three weeks ago
- Other 2 + 1 (arriving today from Perugia) here at CERN
- Working with DAQ experts @ CERN for **characterization of the modules** → today started the MUonE + CMS test beam for the modules, which will be my main work in the next three weeks
- Atm also working for the development of a **semi-online DQM tool for MUonE** (git [here](#))



# The next future

- Follow **beam test for MUonE + CMS modules** – starting today! → first test of the DAQ system for CMS modules
- Ongoing training for CMS tracker modules DAQ – I'll be at CERN until Christmas
- Contributing to the work for MUonE → writing code for semi-online data quality monitoring
- Finalization and **starting the approval procedure for VBS ssWW analysis**



# Educational activities

## Courses for the first year

- **Effective Field Theory**
  - Theoretical introduction to EFT – *D. Buttazzo*
  - Effective gauge theory in Spintronics – *G. Tataara*
  - Effective Field Theory studies at the LHC – *P. Govoni, I. Brivio*
- **Probability and Uncertainty** – *G. d'Agostini*
- **Nanosystems and advanced materials**
  - Nanostructured materials and their characterization by synchrotron radiation - *M. Pedio*
  - Raman spectroscopy on lowdimensional materials - *P. Postorino*
  - Molecular Nanomagnets - *E. Garlatti, A. Chiesa*
- **Introduction to Atmospheric Physics, Climate and COPERNICUS DATA STORE (CDS)** - *P. Bongioannini Cerlini*
- **Multimessenger Astrophysics (from em multifrequency to gravitational waves)** - *G. Greco, S. Germani, M. Punturo, G. Tosti*
- **Teaching and Learning Physics at University** - *G. Organtini*
- **Physics @ LHC** – *M. Gallinaro*

## Seminars

- Present and future of multi-messenger astronomy including gravitational-wave – *M. Branchesi*
- Searching for life in the universe: how, where and why? – *A. Balbi*
- The black hole guide to the quantum theories of gravity – *R. Emparan*
- SAFIR: A fast pre-clinical PET insert – *G. Dissertori*
- B-physics anomalies and the flavour problem – *G. Isidori*
- Neutrons for Magnetism in Spin Chain Materials – *B. Grenier*

## Schools

- 4th CMS Tracker Upgrade DAQ school – Online
- Advanced VBS training school – Milano Bicocca

## Conferences:

- 107° Congresso Nazionale Società italiana di Fisica - Scattering di bosoni vettoriali con due  $W$  dello stesso segno e decadimento adronico del  $W$  nello stato finale in CMS

# Papers published with CMS collaboration - 1

- [Search for new particles in events with energetic jets and large missing transverse momentum in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2107.13021](#) [hep-ex]
- [Measurement of the inclusive and differential Higgs boson production cross sections in the decay mode to a pair of  \$\tau\$  leptons in pp collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2107.11486](#) [hep-ex]
- [Combined searches for the production of supersymmetric top quark partners in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2107.10892](#) [hep-ex]
- [Search for long-lived particles decaying in the CMS endcap muon detectors in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2107.04838](#) [hep-ex]
- [Measurement of the inclusive and differential  \$\overline{\gamma}\$  cross sections in the single-lepton channel and EFT interpretation at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2107.01508](#) [hep-ex]
- [Measurements of the electroweak diboson production cross sections in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 5.02\$  TeV using leptonic decays](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2107.01137](#) [hep-ex]
- [Search for electroweak production of charginos and neutralinos in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2106.14246](#) [hep-ex]
- [Search for lepton-flavor violating decays of the Higgs boson in the  \$\mu\tau\$  and  \$e\tau\$  final states in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2105.03007](#) [hep-ex]
- [Constraints on anomalous Higgs boson couplings to vector bosons and fermions in its production and decay using the four-lepton final state](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2104.12152](#) [hep-ex]
- [Search for charged Higgs bosons produced in vector boson fusion processes and decaying into vector boson pairs in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2104.04762](#) [hep-ex]
- [Measurements of Higgs boson production cross sections and couplings in the diphoton decay channel at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2103.06956](#) [hep-ex]

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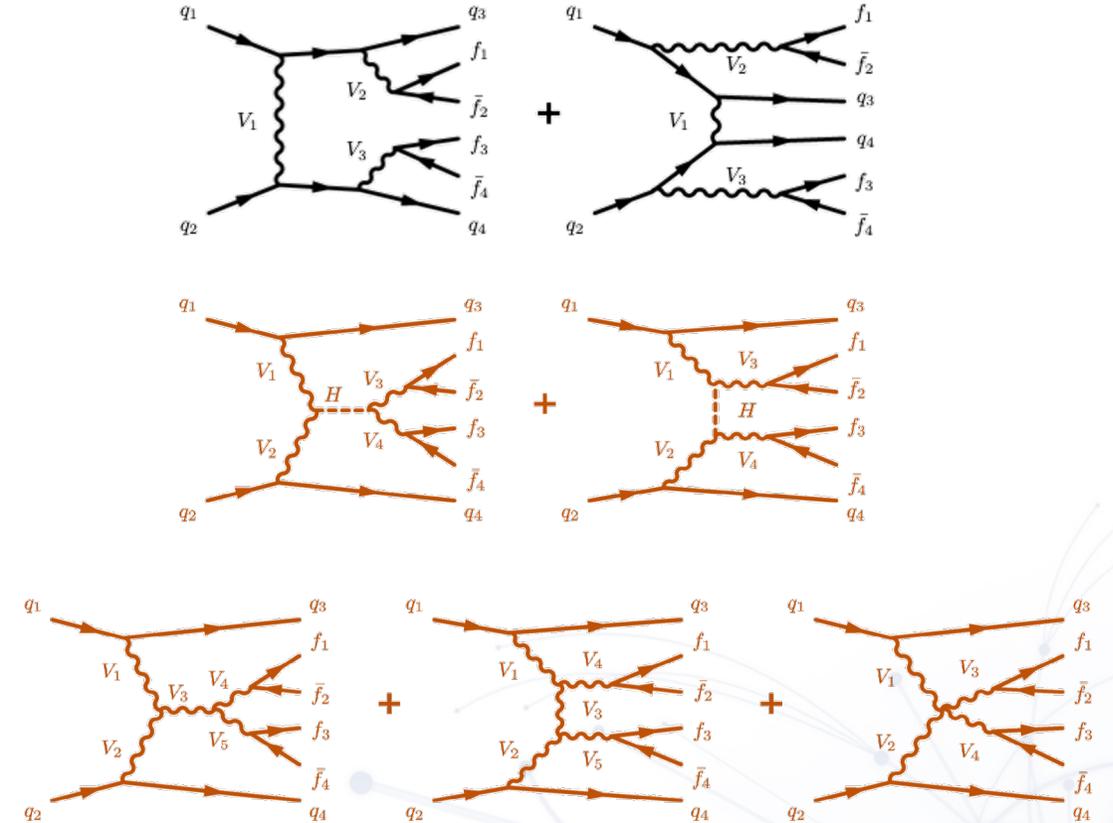
- [Search for long-lived particles decaying to leptons with large impact parameter in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2110.04809](#)
- [Analysis of the CP structure of the Yukawa coupling between the Higgs boson and  \$\tau\$  leptons in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2110.04836](#) [hep-ex]
- [Measurement of double-parton scattering in inclusive production of four jets with low transverse momentum in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2109.13822](#) [hep-ex]
- [Search for heavy resonances decaying to  \$Z\(\nu\bar{\nu}\)V\(q\bar{q}\)\$  in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2109.08268](#) [hep-ex]
- [Search for heavy resonances decaying to WW, WZ, or WH boson pairs in the lepton plus merged jet final state in proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2109.06055](#) [hep-ex]
- [Study of quark and gluon jet substructure in Z+jet and dijet events from pp collisions](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2109.03340](#) [hep-ex]
- [Observation of tW production in the single-lepton channel in pp collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2109.01706](#) [hep-ex]
- [Measurement of the top quark mass using events with a single reconstructed top quark in pp collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2108.10407](#) [hep-ex]
- [Measurement of differential  \$\overline{t}t\$  production cross sections in the full kinematic range using lepton+jets events from proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2108.02803](#) [hep-ex]
- [Probing effective field theory operators in the associated production of top quarks with a Z boson in multilepton final states at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2107.13896](#) [hep-ex]
- [Search for chargino-neutralino production in events with Higgs and W bosons using 137 fb<sup>-1</sup> of proton-proton collisions at  \$\sqrt{s} = 13\$  TeV](#), CMS Collaboration, e-Print: [2107.12553](#) [hep-ex]

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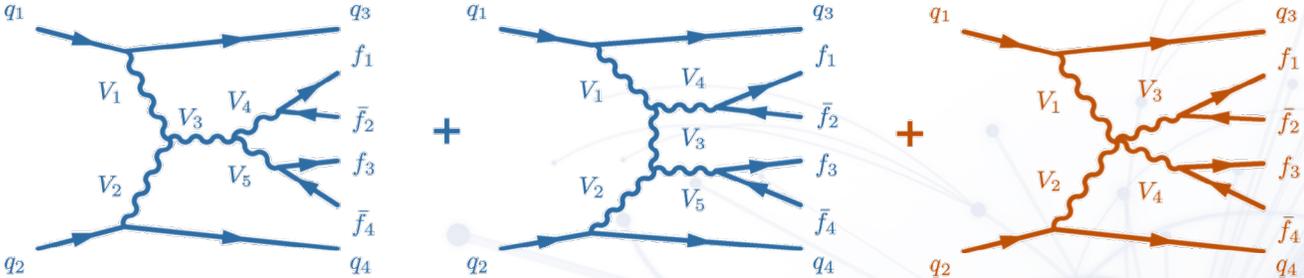
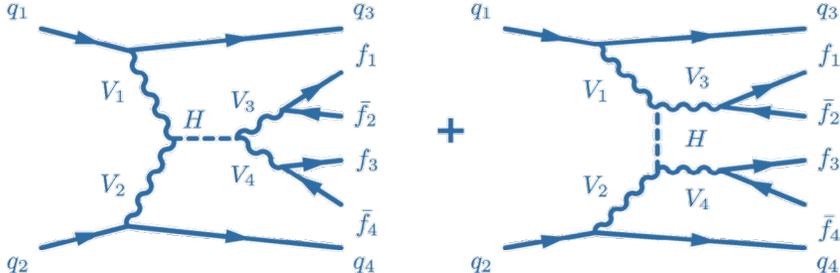
# Vector Boson Scattering - LO

- VBS @ LO categorized by the number and nature of vertexes
- "EWK production"  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^4)$ 
  - Non VBS  $\rightarrow$  no vector boson self coupling vertexes
  - **VBS**
- Impossible to decouple the two production in a gauge invariant way



# Vector Boson Scattering - LO

- VBS production
  - VBF channel  $\rightarrow$  triple vertex w interaction between vector bosons/Higgs
  - Quartic vertexes



# Vector Boson Scattering - Tree level

- “QCD production”  $\propto (\alpha^2 \alpha_S^2)$
- No self V interaction  
 $\rightarrow$  not useful for the EWSB studies  
 $\rightarrow$  usually bkg for the VBS region
- Usually large xSec  $\rightarrow \sigma_{\text{QCD}}$  up to  $100 \times \sigma_{\text{EWK}}$

