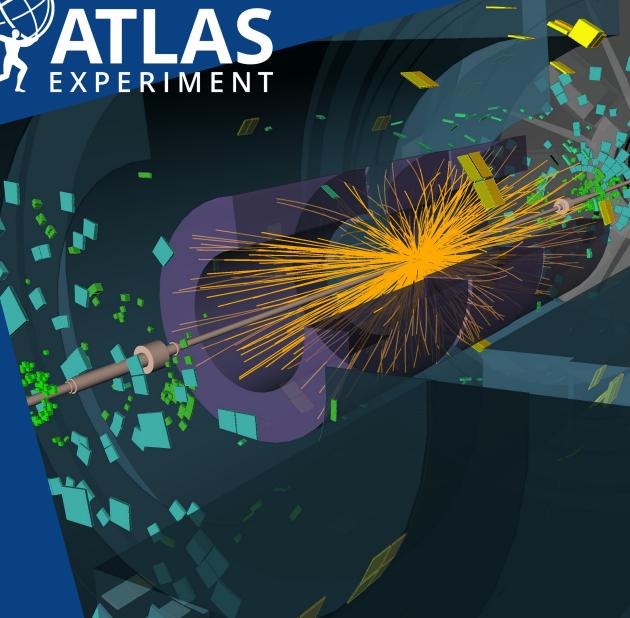




# *ttH* **production at the HL-LHC**

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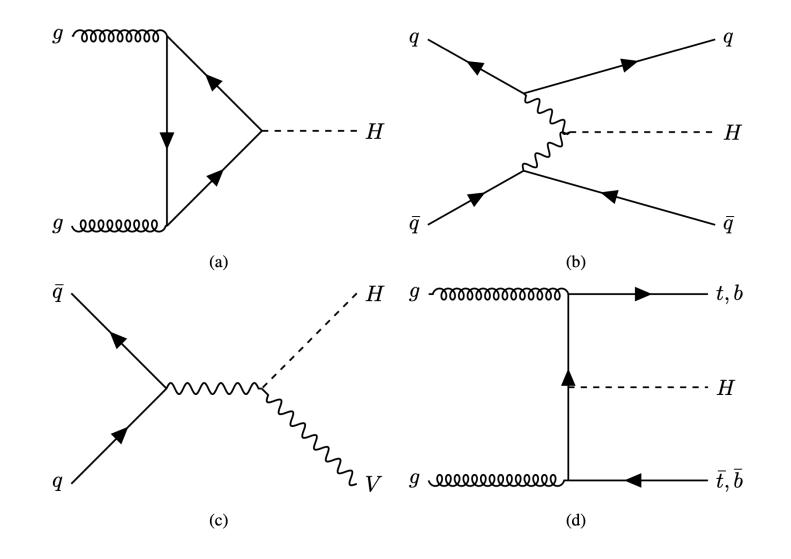




- One major goal of the HL-LHC upgrade is to attain precise measurements of Higgs boson properties
  - Precision Higgs measurements are a potential "portal" to new physics!
  - Yukawa coupling to top quark
  - Can be determined by measuring the rate of  $t\bar{t}H$  production

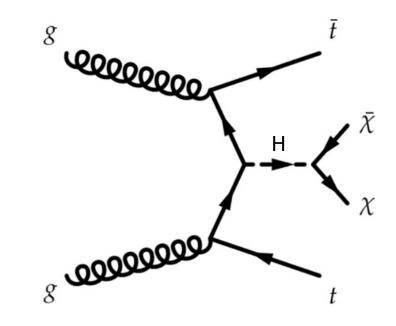


#### **Production of Higgs Boson**





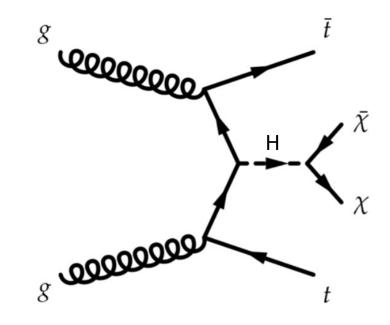
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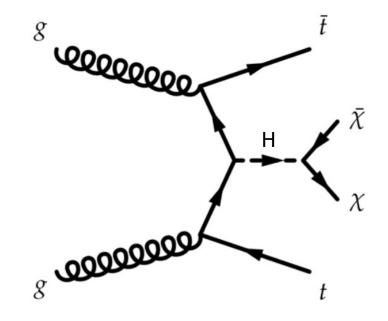




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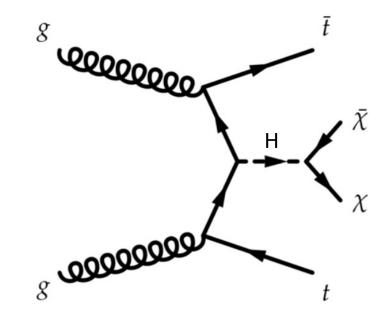


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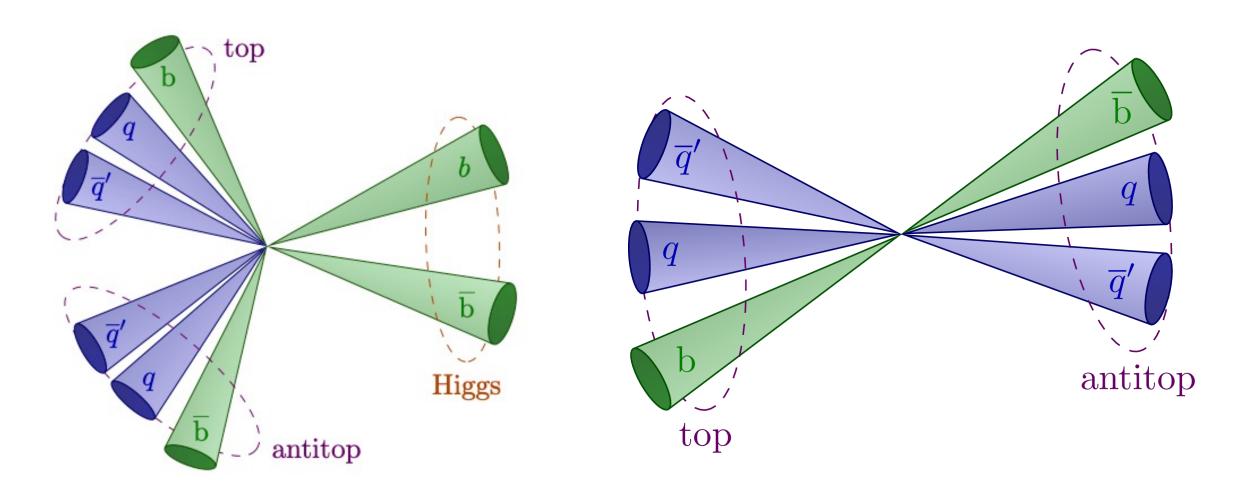
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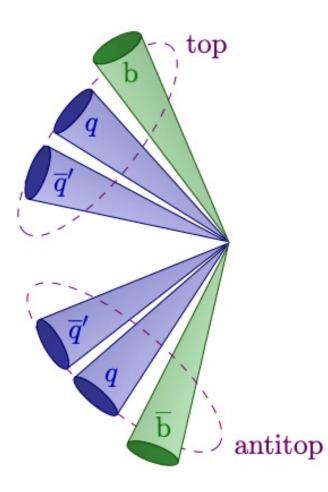
– Look identical to background?
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Different kinematics?



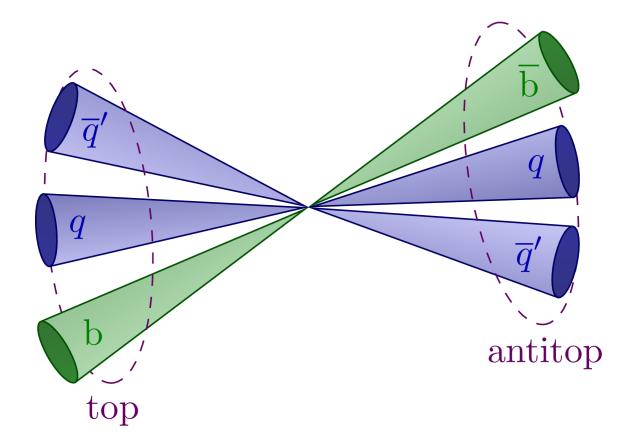




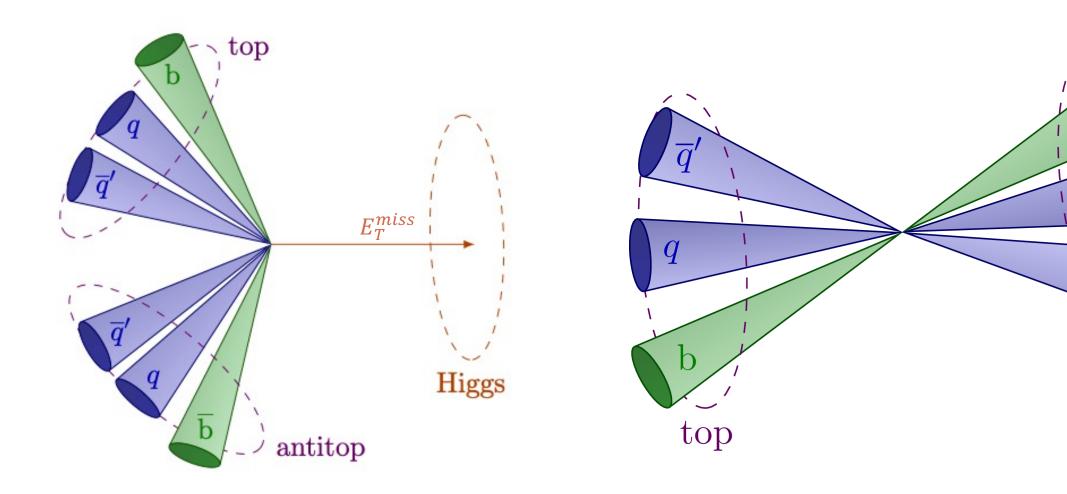












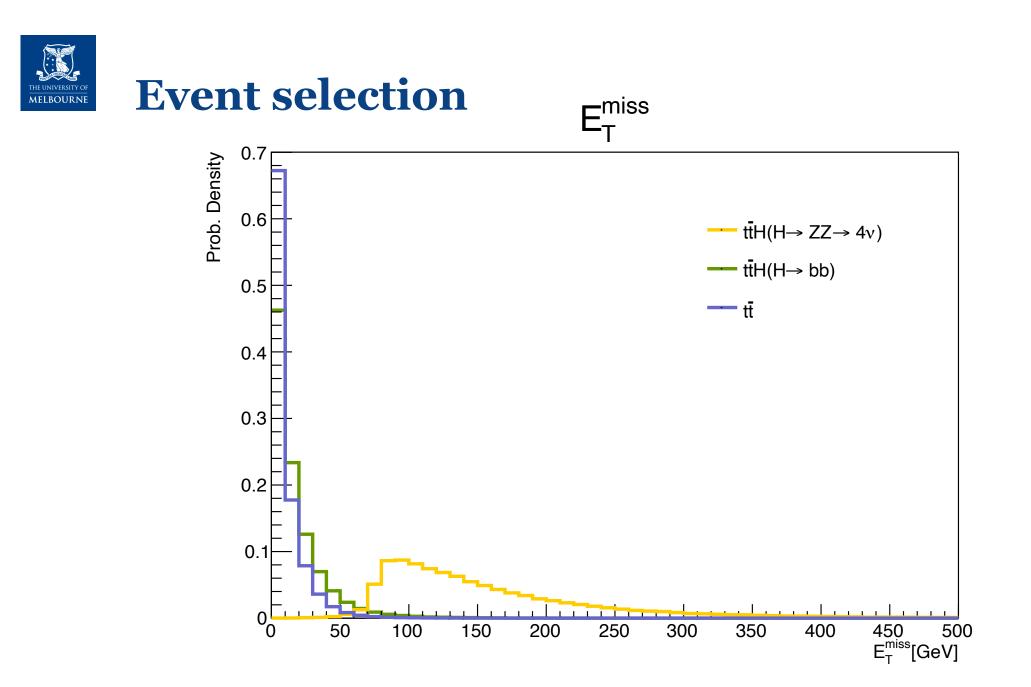
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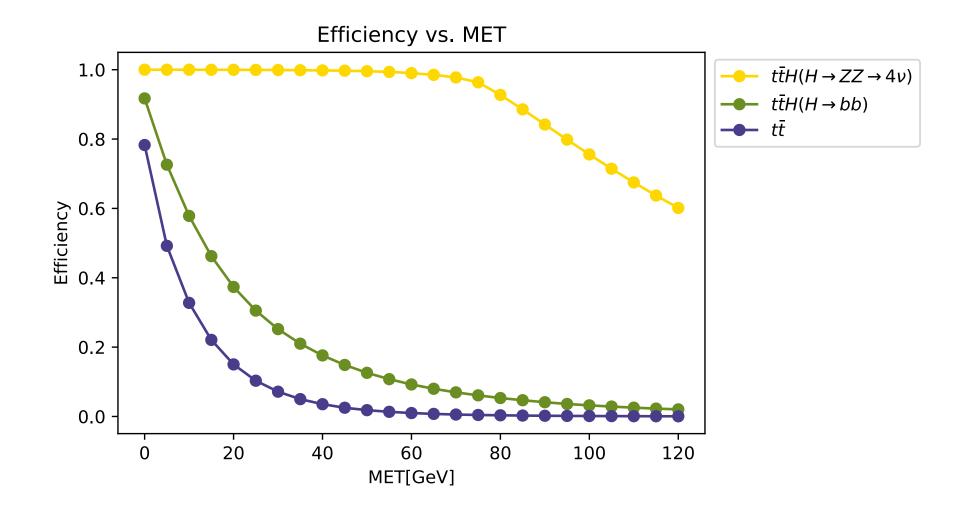
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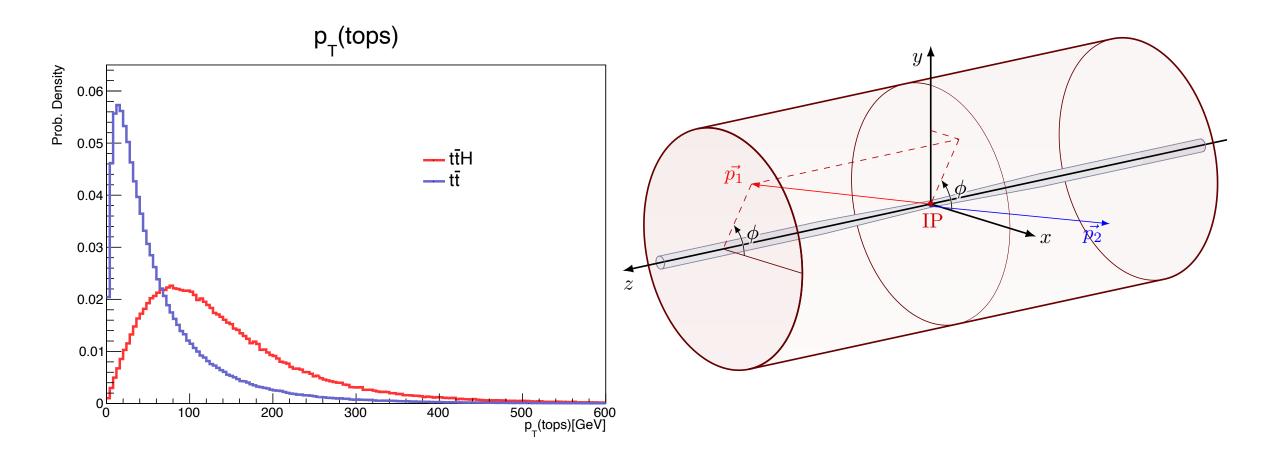
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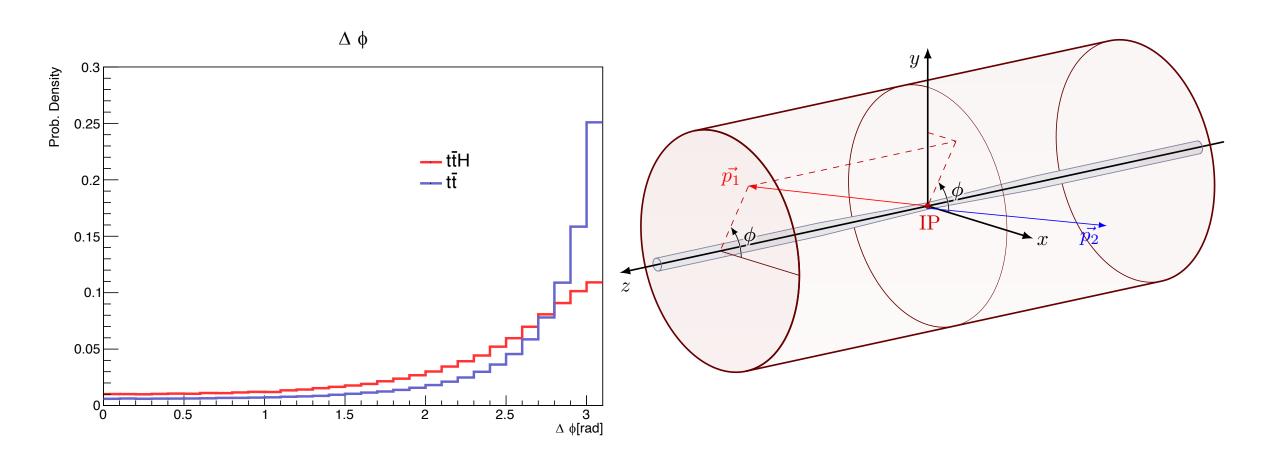




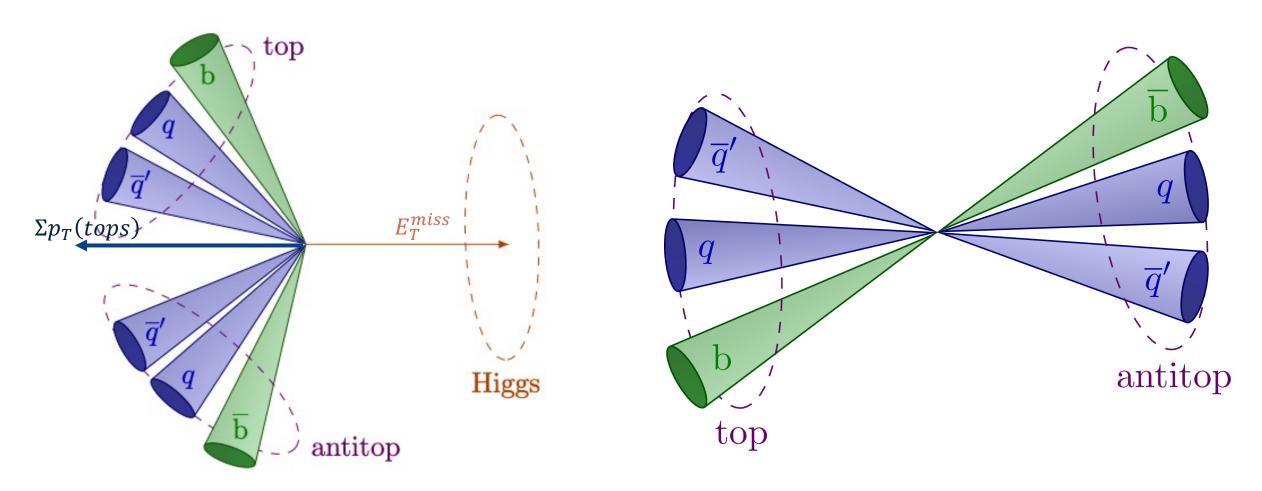




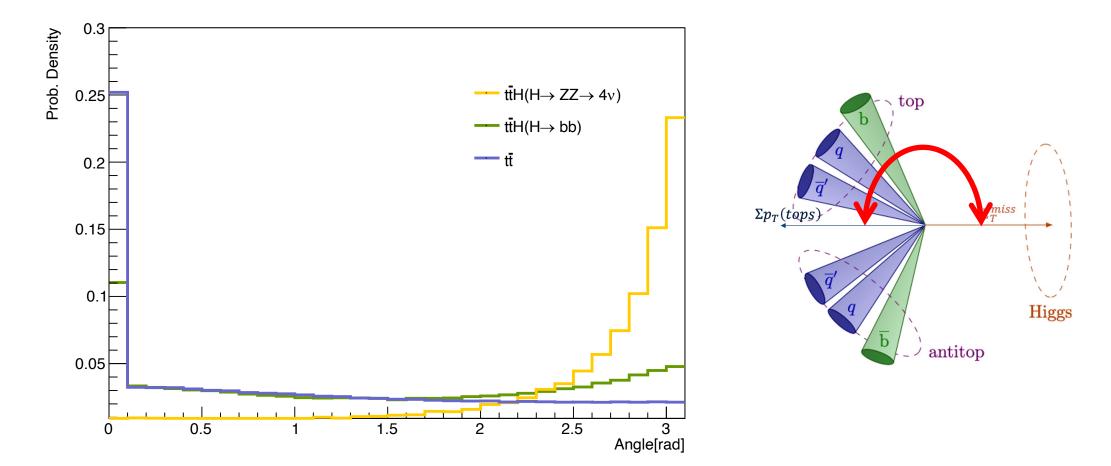
#### **Preliminary plots**











## **Questions to answer in the future:**

- With the new HL-LHC upgrade:
  - How can we improve the sensitivity to this ttH process?
  - How much better can we measure this decay with new technology?
- This region also has a large number of background processes
  - Can we get better discrimination between signal and background events?
  - How sensitive are we to inefficiencies with this new geometry?



### Thank you