

# Dark matter samples and theory calculations for Run 3: s-channel and Higgs to invisible

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# Goal

Converge to a **common prescription** to be used in Run 3 ATLAS and CMS papers for

- presentation of DM results and comparison with DM experiments
- generation (and normalisation) of MC samples used in DM searches
- harmonisation with other searches (e.g. hidden sector scalars)

## Disclaimers

#1 This talk will present some **first suggestions to be discussed with the collaborations**

#2 We only address **Higgs to invisible** and **s-channel interpretations** in this talk

refer to [Abe et al, 1810.09420](#) for 2HDMa

t-channel: [Arina et al, 2001.05024](#)

**Higgs to invisible**

# EFT limits on $\sigma_{\text{nucl-DM}}$ vs $m_{\text{DM}}$

## 1. Scalar DM - nucleon cross-section

$$\sigma_{SN} = 8 \frac{\text{BR}}{1 - \text{BR}} \frac{\Gamma_h}{v^2} \frac{m_N^4 f_N^2}{m_h^3 (m_s + m_N)^2} \left(1 - 4 \frac{m_s^2}{m_h^2}\right)^{-1/2}$$

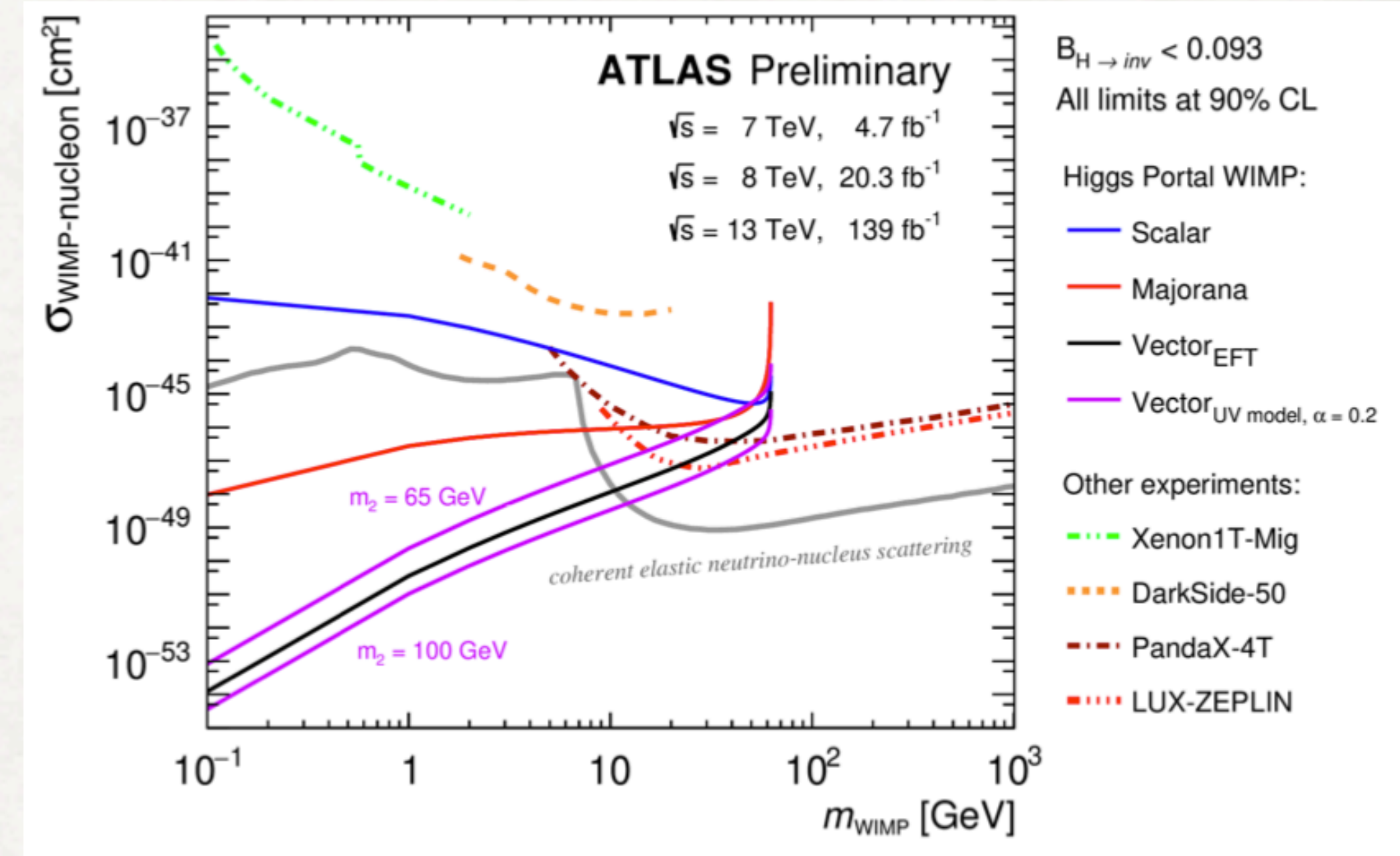
## 2. Majorana DM - nucleon cross-section

$$\sigma_{fN} = 16 \frac{\text{BR}}{1 - \text{BR}} \frac{\Gamma_h}{v^2} \frac{m_N^4 m_f^2 f_N^2}{m_h^5 (m_f + m_N)^2} \left(1 - 4 \frac{m_f^2}{m_h^2}\right)^{-3/2}$$

## 3. Vector DM - nucleon cross-section

$$\sigma_{VN} = 32 \frac{\text{BR}}{1 - \text{BR}} \frac{m_N^4 m_V^4 f_N^2}{v^2 m_h^7 (m_V + m_N)^2} \frac{\Gamma_h}{\sqrt{1 - 4 \frac{m_V^2}{m_h^2} \left(1 - 4 \frac{m_V^2}{m_h^2} + 12 \frac{m_V^4}{m_h^4}\right)}}$$

Formulae from [Djouadi et al, 1112.3299](#) with  $v=246$  GeV



with:

$$\Gamma_h \equiv \Gamma_h^{\text{SM}} = 4.07 \text{ MeV}$$

$$v = 246 \text{ GeV} \text{ [NB: in 1112.3299 } v/\sqrt{2} \text{ is used]}$$

$$m_N = 939 \text{ MeV}$$

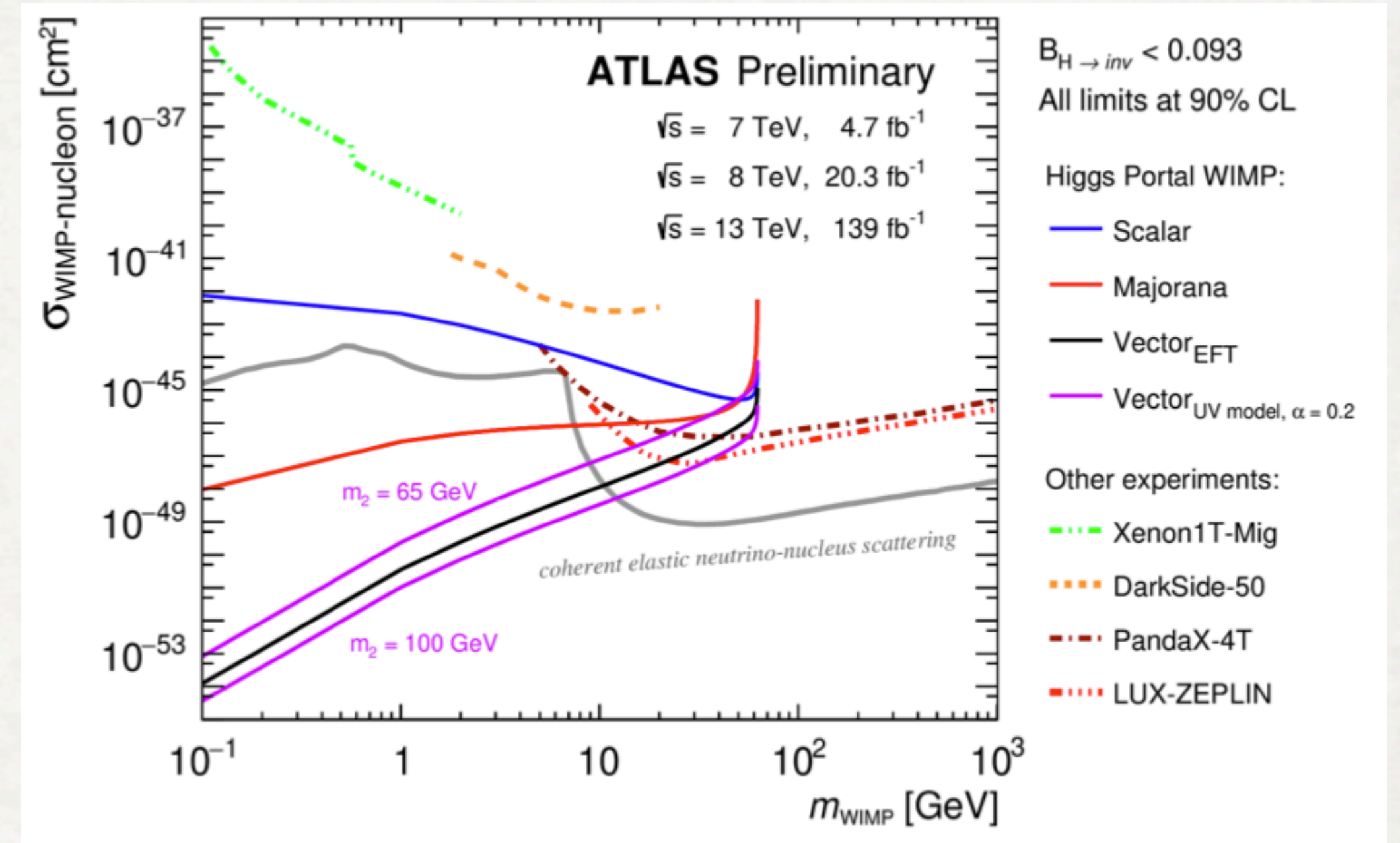
$$f_N = 0.308 \text{ [1708.02245]}$$

# UV complete models

- Vector DM charged under  $U(1)'$
- Dark Higgs field  $h_2$  breaks  $U(1)'$  generating DM mass
- mixing between dark and SM Higgs  $\sim \cos\theta$

## Suggestion

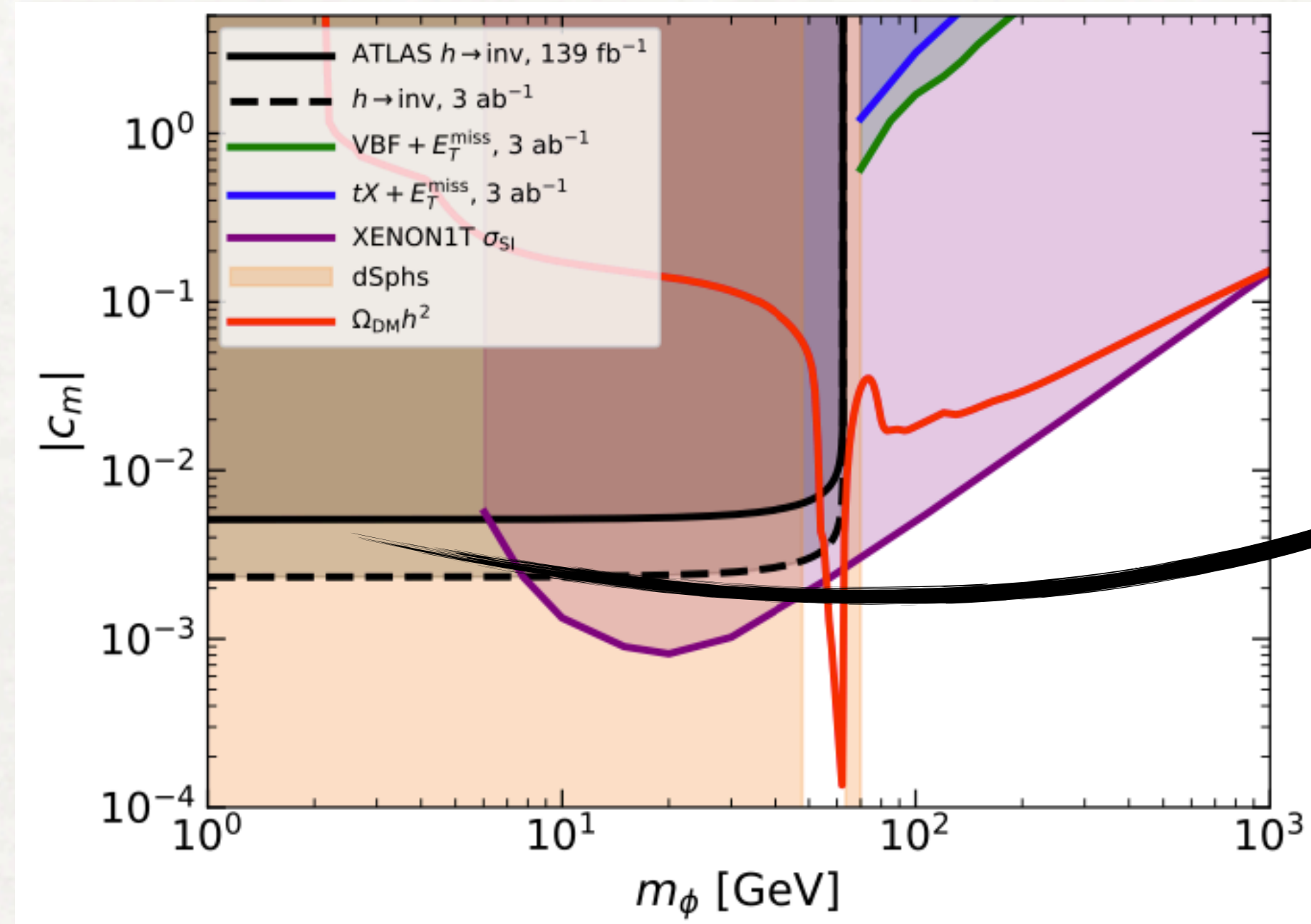
- ➔ show UV model from [Arcadi et al, 2001.10750](#) (also described in [Zaazoua et al, 2107.01252](#)) using  $m_2=65, 100$  GeV
- ➔ reference also radiative UV-complete model [DiFranzo et al, 1512.06853](#) mentioning that it reproduces the vector EFT curve



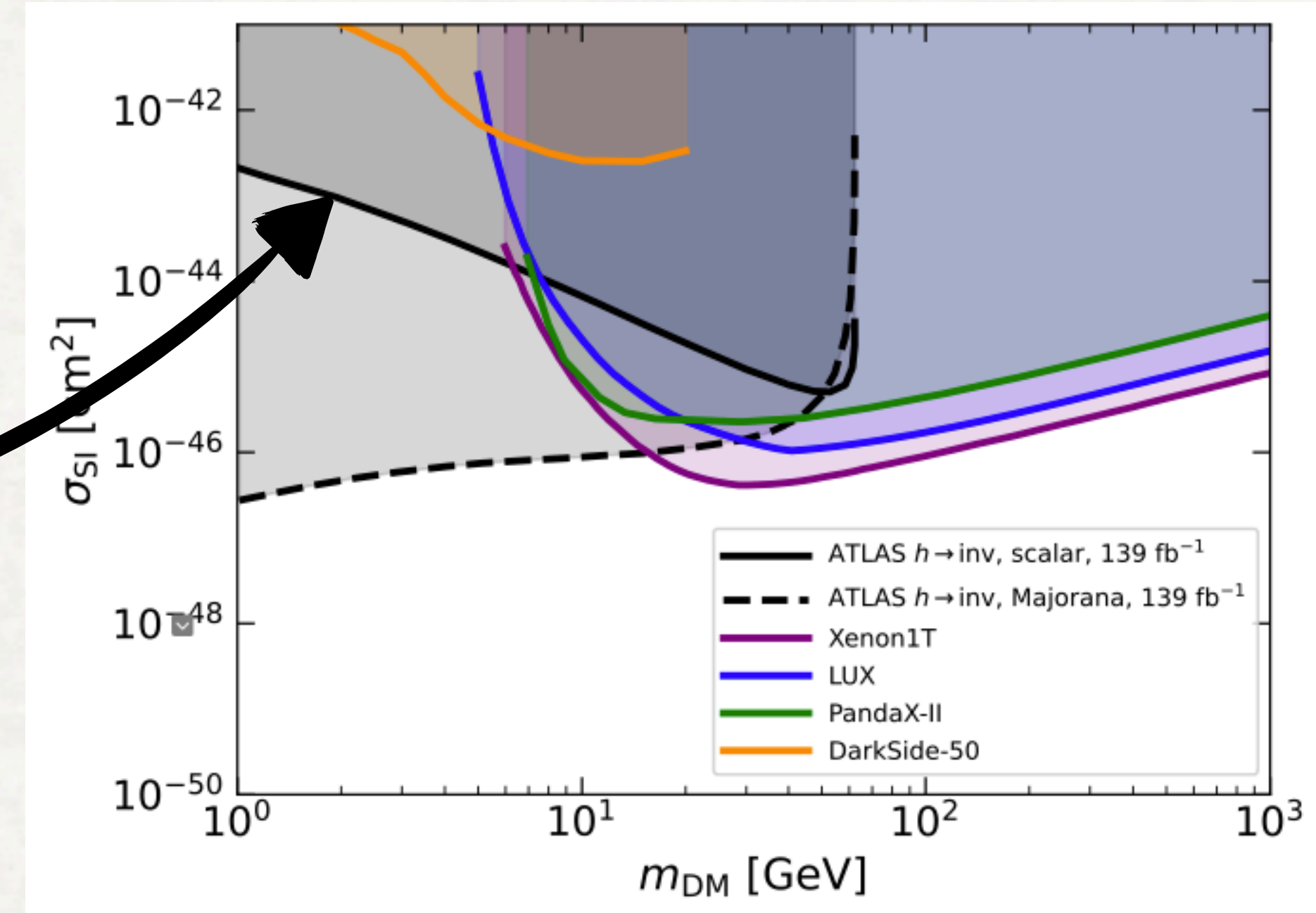
$$\sigma_{UV} = 32 \cos^4 \theta \frac{\text{BR}}{1 - \text{BR}} \frac{\Gamma_h}{v^2} \frac{m_V^4 m_N^4 f_N^2}{m_h^3 (m_V^2 + m_N^2)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 4 \frac{m_V^2}{m_h^2} \left(1 - 4 \frac{m_V^2}{m_h^2} + 12 \frac{m_V^4}{m_h^4}\right)}} \left(\frac{1}{m_2^2} - \frac{1}{m_h^2}\right)^2$$

# Presentation of EFT limits - an apparent paradox

Limits on Wilson coefficient



Limits on WIMP-nucleon cross-section



- for small  $m_{DM}$ :
  - limit on Wilson coefficient is constant since  $\Gamma(h \rightarrow DM DM)$  independent of  $m_{DM}$  as  $m_{DM} \rightarrow 0$
  - *but* limit on cross-section improves/deteriorates for fermion/scalar DM
- this is because of the dependence of  $\sigma$  on  $m_{DM}$ :  $\sigma_{SN} \propto 1/m_S^2$ ,  $\sigma_{fN} \propto m_f^2/(m_f + m_N)^2$ 
  - see discussion in [2109.13597](#)
- ➔ **Suggestion: in addition to the limits on the  $\sigma$ - $m_{DM}$  plane publish also the limits as a function of the Wilson coefficient vs  $m_{DM}$**

# EFT limits on Wilson coeff. vs $m_{DM}$

## 1. Scalar DM

$$\lambda_{hSS}^2 = 128\pi \frac{\text{BR}}{1 - \text{BR}} \frac{\Gamma_h}{v^2} \frac{m_h}{\sqrt{1 - m_s^2/m_h^2}}$$

## 2. Majorana DM

$$\frac{\lambda_{hff}^2}{\Lambda^2} = 64\pi \frac{\text{BR}}{1 - \text{BR}} \frac{\Gamma_h}{v^2} \frac{1}{m_h(1 - m_s^2/m_h^2)^{3/2}}$$

## 3. Vector DM

$$\lambda_{hVV}^2 = 512\pi \frac{\text{BR}}{1 - \text{BR}} \frac{\Gamma_h}{v^2} \frac{m_V^4}{m_h^3 \sqrt{1 - m_V^2/m_h^2} \left(1 - 4\frac{m_V^2}{m_h^2} + 12\frac{m_V^4}{m_h^4}\right)}$$

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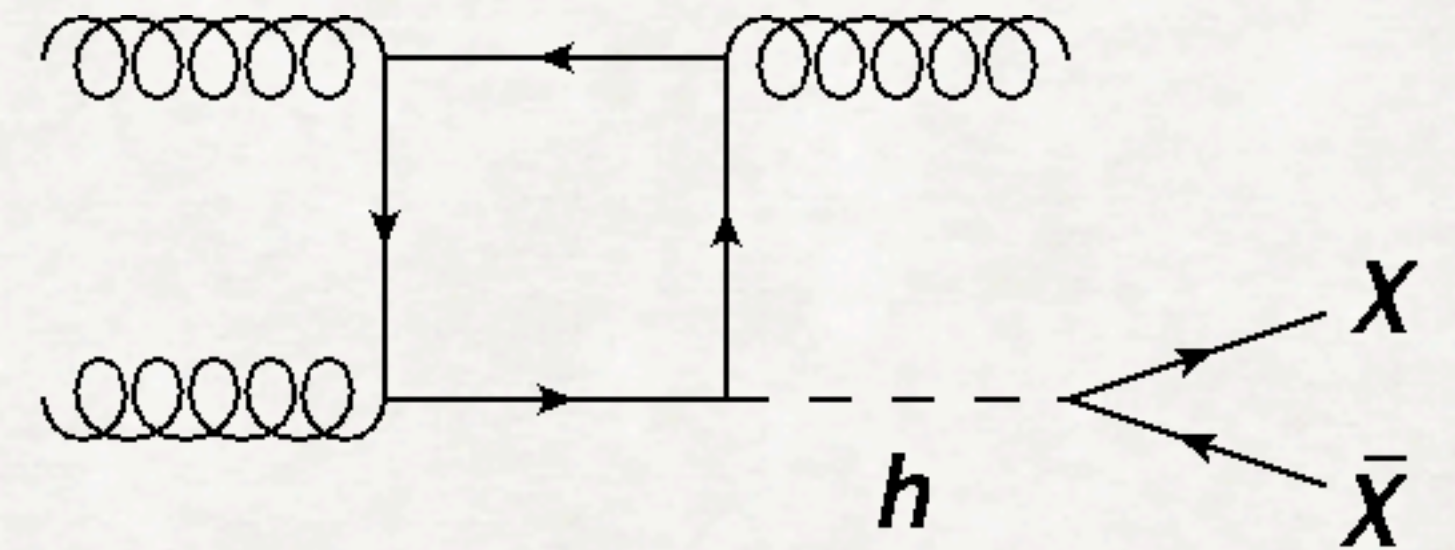
- Formulae from [Djouadi et al, 1112.3299](#)
- DD limits would have to be translated based on [formulae in backup](#)

# **Mono-jet samples**



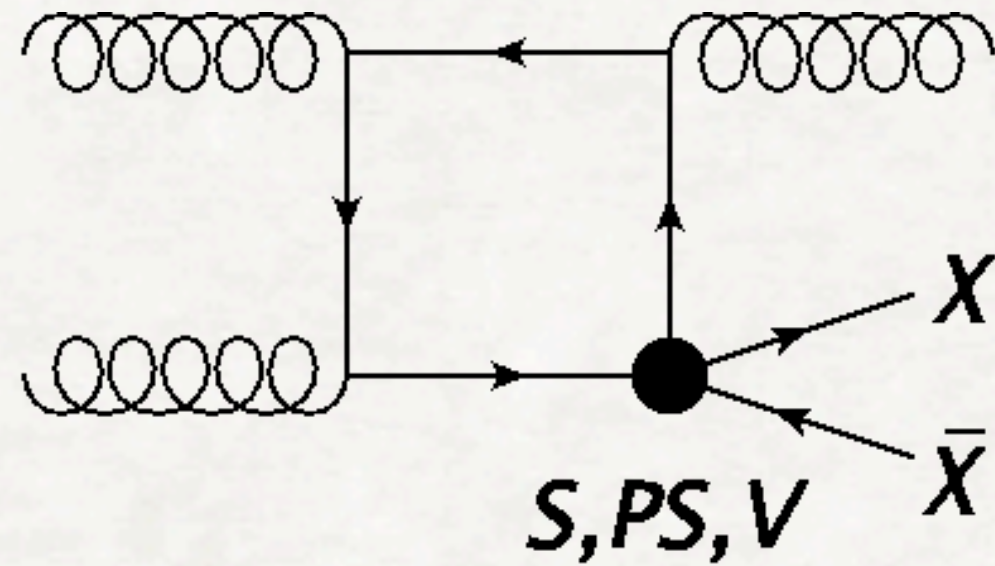
# *Mono-jet samples for Higgs to invisible*

- Mediator is the SM Higgs
- Highest achievable precision wanted
- **Recommendations driven by Higgs groups** generally following recommendations of LHC Higgs Cross-Section WG published in YR4 [1610.07922](#)
- **We will not attempt to provide recommendations** for SM Higgs samples - for a reference of available calculations see [backup](#)

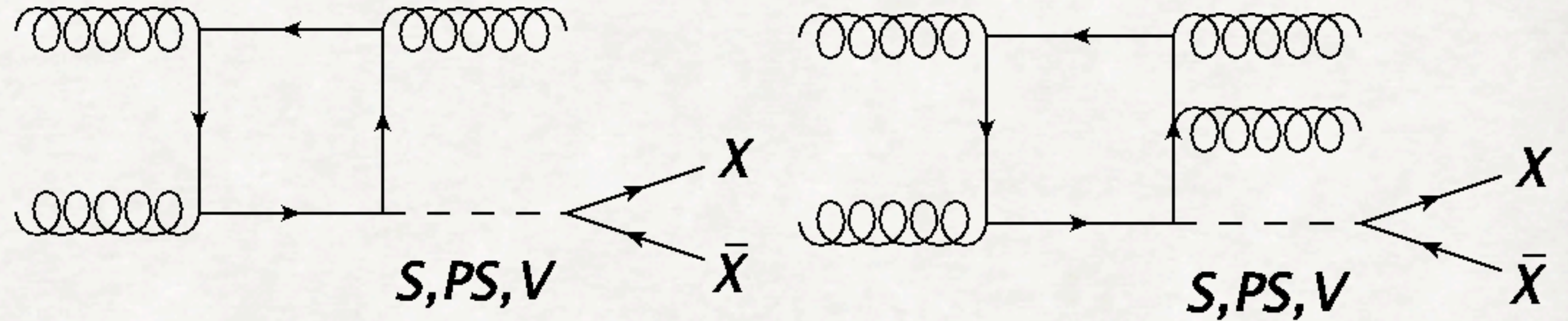


# Mono-jet samples for $s$ -channel interpretations

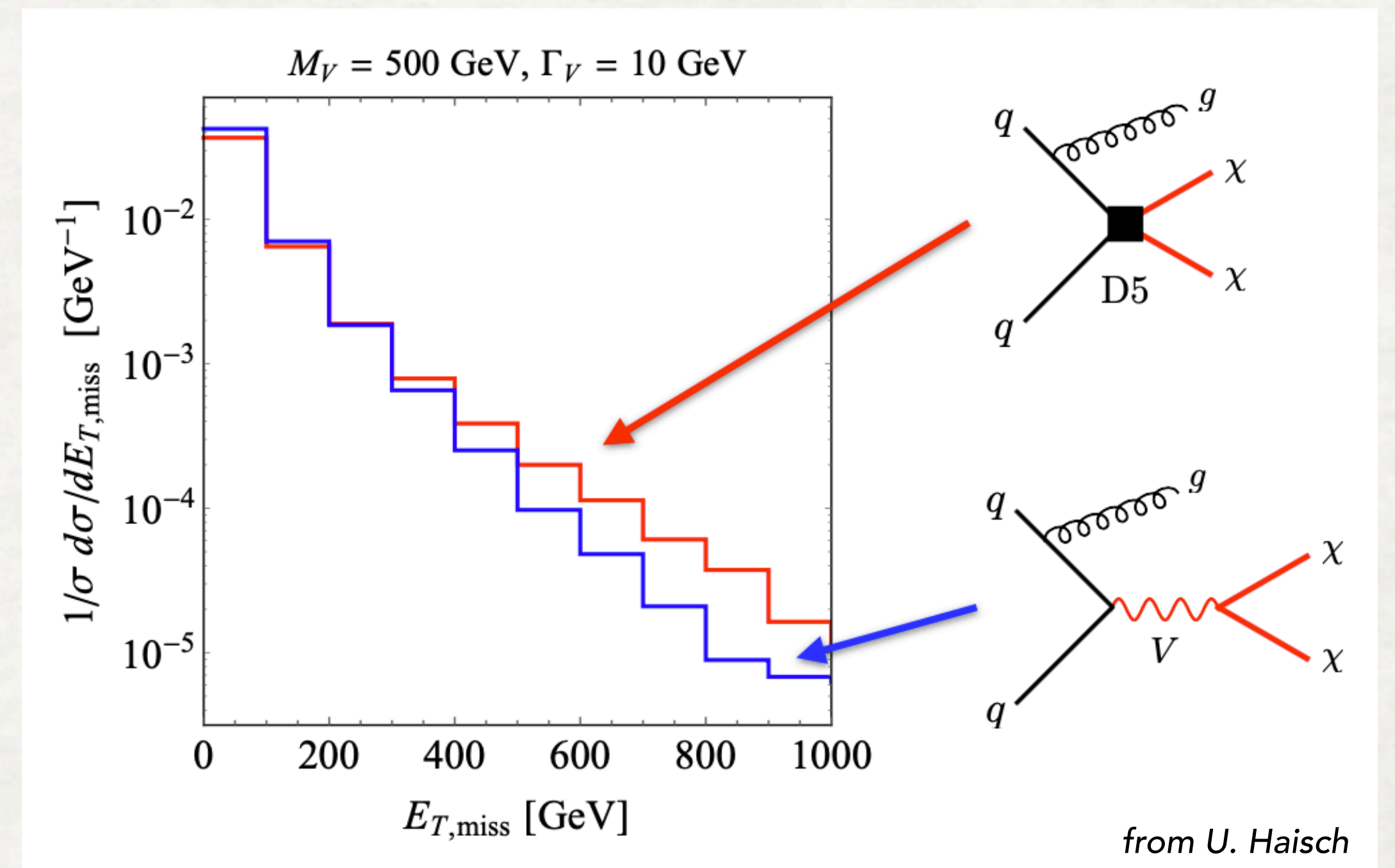
Powheg



DMsimp

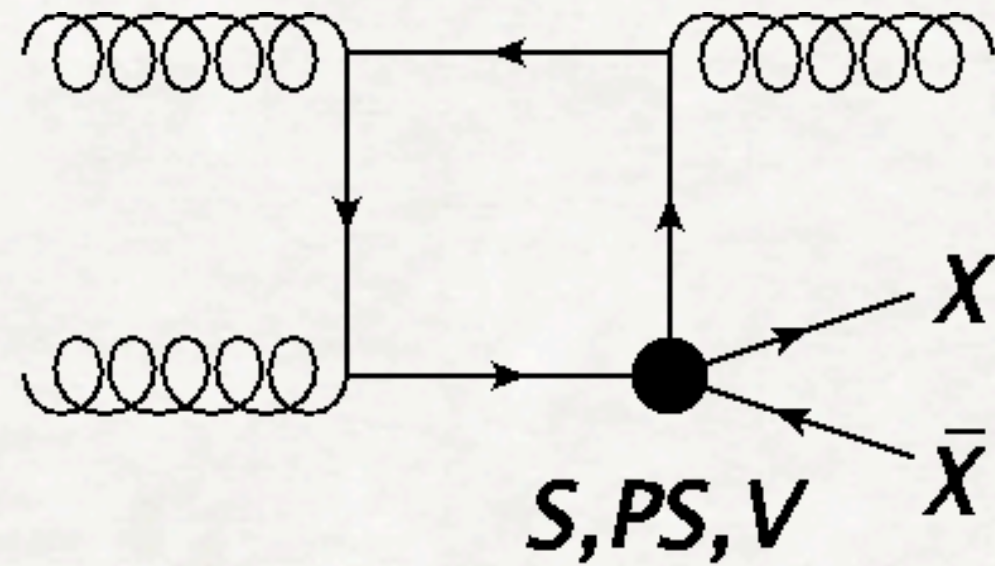


- Important to include finite  $m_{\text{top}}$  effects
  - infinite  $m_{\text{top}}$  leads to very hard  $p_T$  spectrum with differences of  $O(100\%)$  [Haisch, Re, 1503.00691](#)
- 2 calculations with finite  $m_{\text{top}}$ 
  - **Powheg** (DMV [Haisch et al, 1310.4491](#) , DMS\_tloop [Haisch et al, 1503.00691](#)) - **DM propagator integrated out**
  - **MG5aMC + DMsimp UFO** [Backovic et al, 1508.05327](#) **DM propagator kept**
- Problems with Powheg implementations:
  - poor description of high  $p_T$  region with EFT
  - Powheg can do only 1 jet in the ME

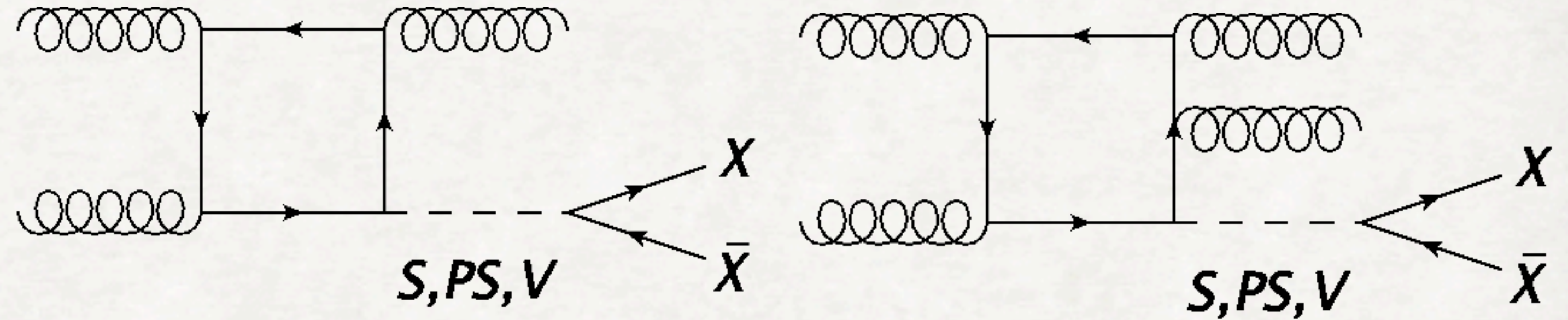


# Mono-jet samples for $s$ -channel interpretations

Powheg



DMsimp



➔ Suggestion: switch to *DMsimp* calculation using multi-jet merging with up to 2 jets @ LO as done in [Haisch, Polesello, 1812.08129](#)

- Normalisation can be taken from MG5aMC calculation

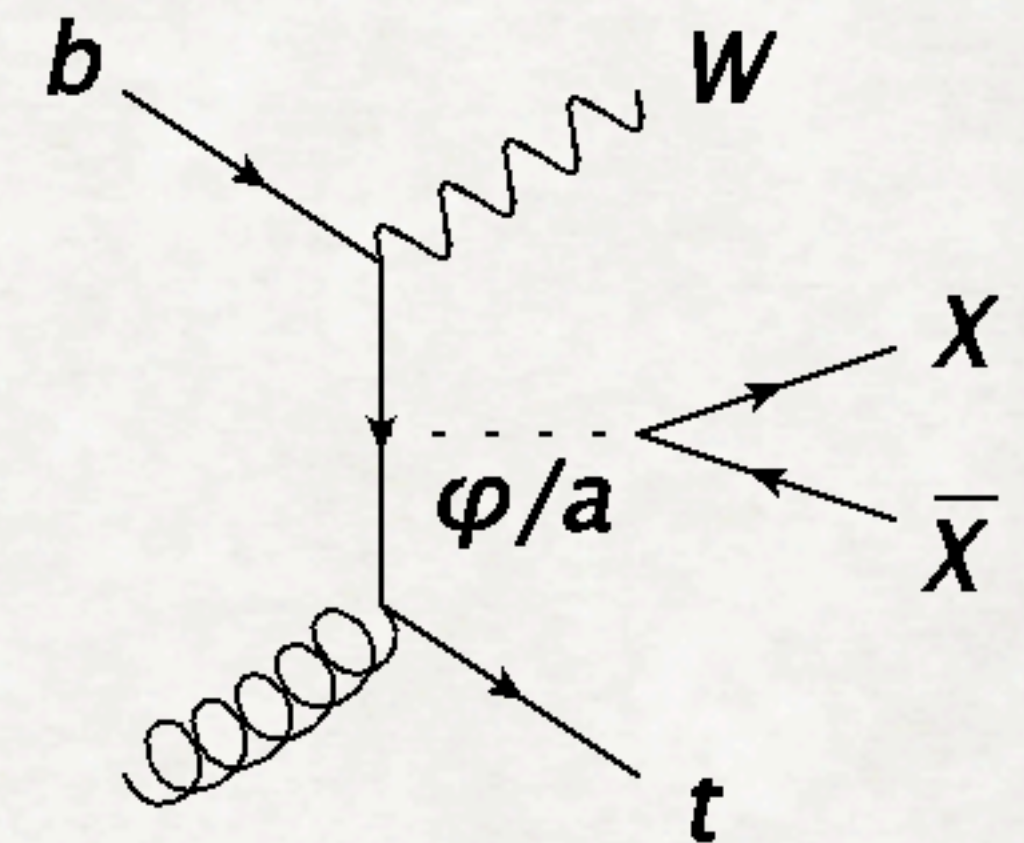
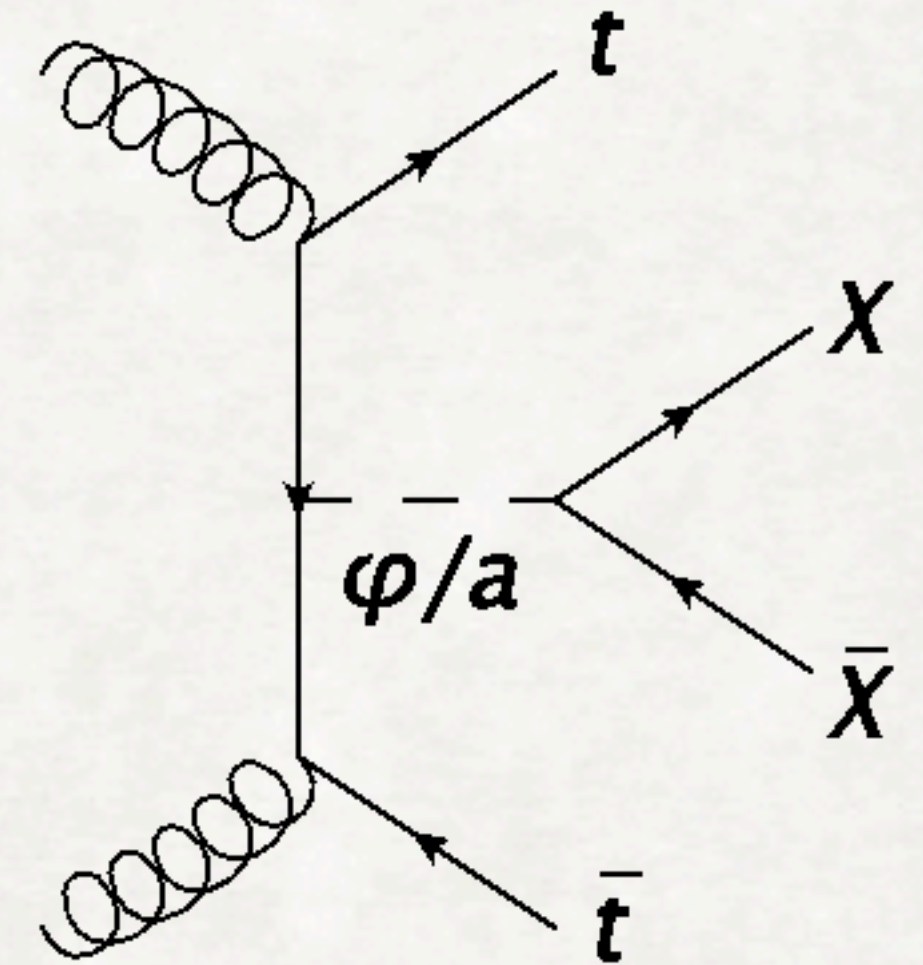
**Top +  $E_T^{miss}$  samples**

# Top+ $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ samples for s-channel interpretations

- Current approach:
  - UFO: DMsimp
  - generate  $t\bar{t}$  or  $tW + \chi\chi$  with 0+1j @ LO
  - normalisation: calculated from the 0j @ NLO calculation of MG5aMC ( $\alpha_s^3$  for  $t\bar{t}+E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and  $\alpha_s^2$  for  $tW+E_T^{\text{miss}}$ )

## Suggestions:

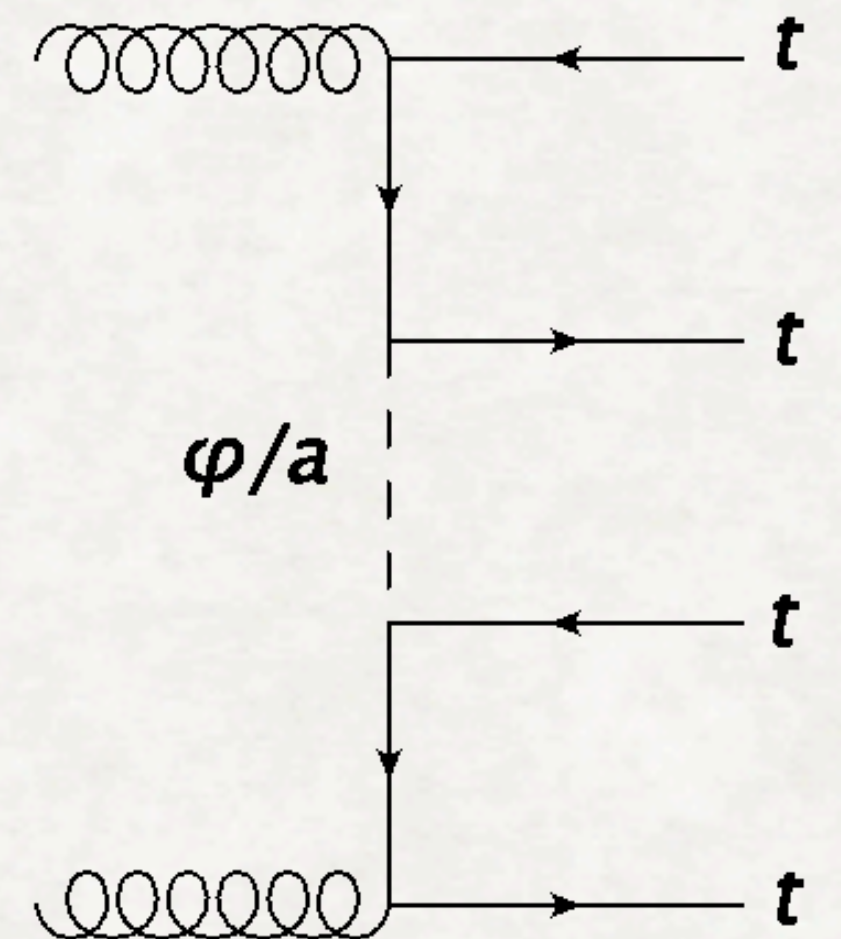
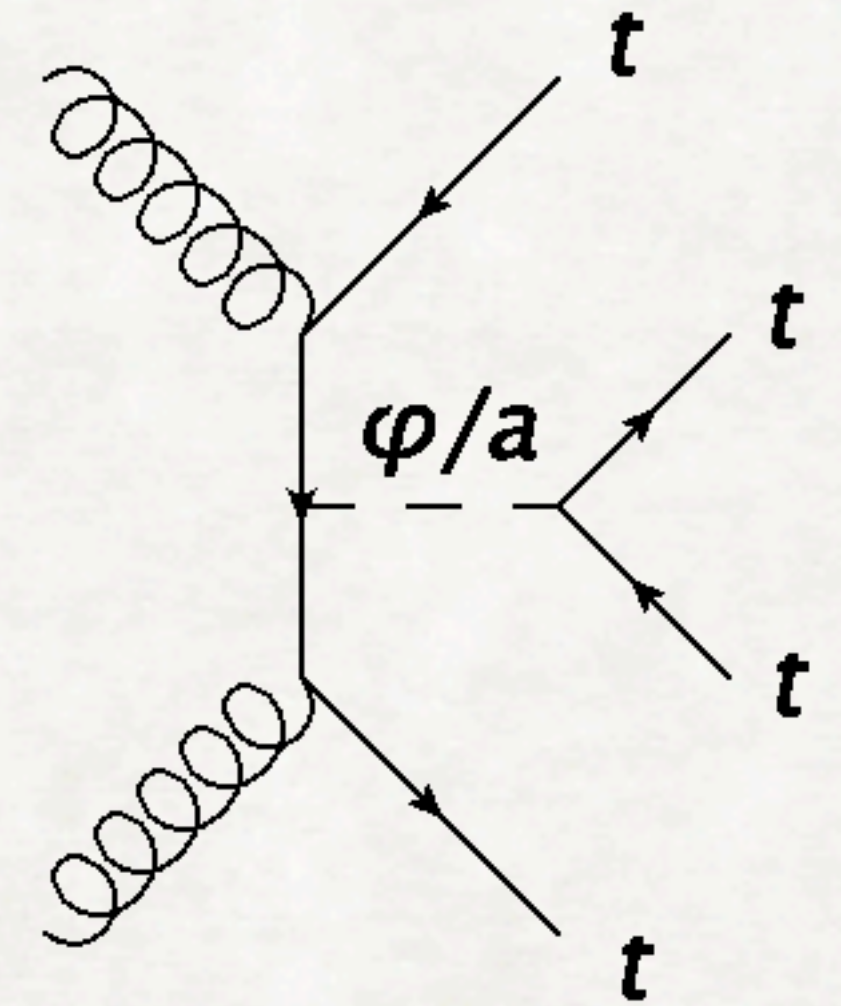
- ➔ use modified DMsimp UFO and generate 0 + 1j @ NLO [Haisch, Polesello, 1812.00694](#)
- ➔ only include scalar couplings to top (no  $\phi_{bb}/\phi_{WW}$  couplings)



**4top samples**

# 4top sample for s-channel interpretation

- Current prescription:
  - UFO: DMsimp\_s\_spin0 ([1508.05327](#))
  - use 5 flavour scheme
  - $tt\phi+tt\phi j$  generated at LO with subsequent decay of mediator in MadSpin
    - generate  $pp > tt \tilde{y}_0 / a z w^+ w^-$
    - add process  $pp > tt \tilde{y}_0 j / a z w^+ w^-$
    - decay  $y_0 > tt$
  - normalisation: use normalisation from NLO calculation in MG
    - generate  $pp > tt \tilde{y}_0 / a z w^+ w^-$  [QCD]
- This **misses t-channel contributions**
- ➔ **Suggestion: generate directly 4 top final state**
  - generate  $pp > tt \tilde{t} \tilde{t} \text{ DMS}^2=4 \text{ QCD}^2=4$



# **Hidden sector scalars**

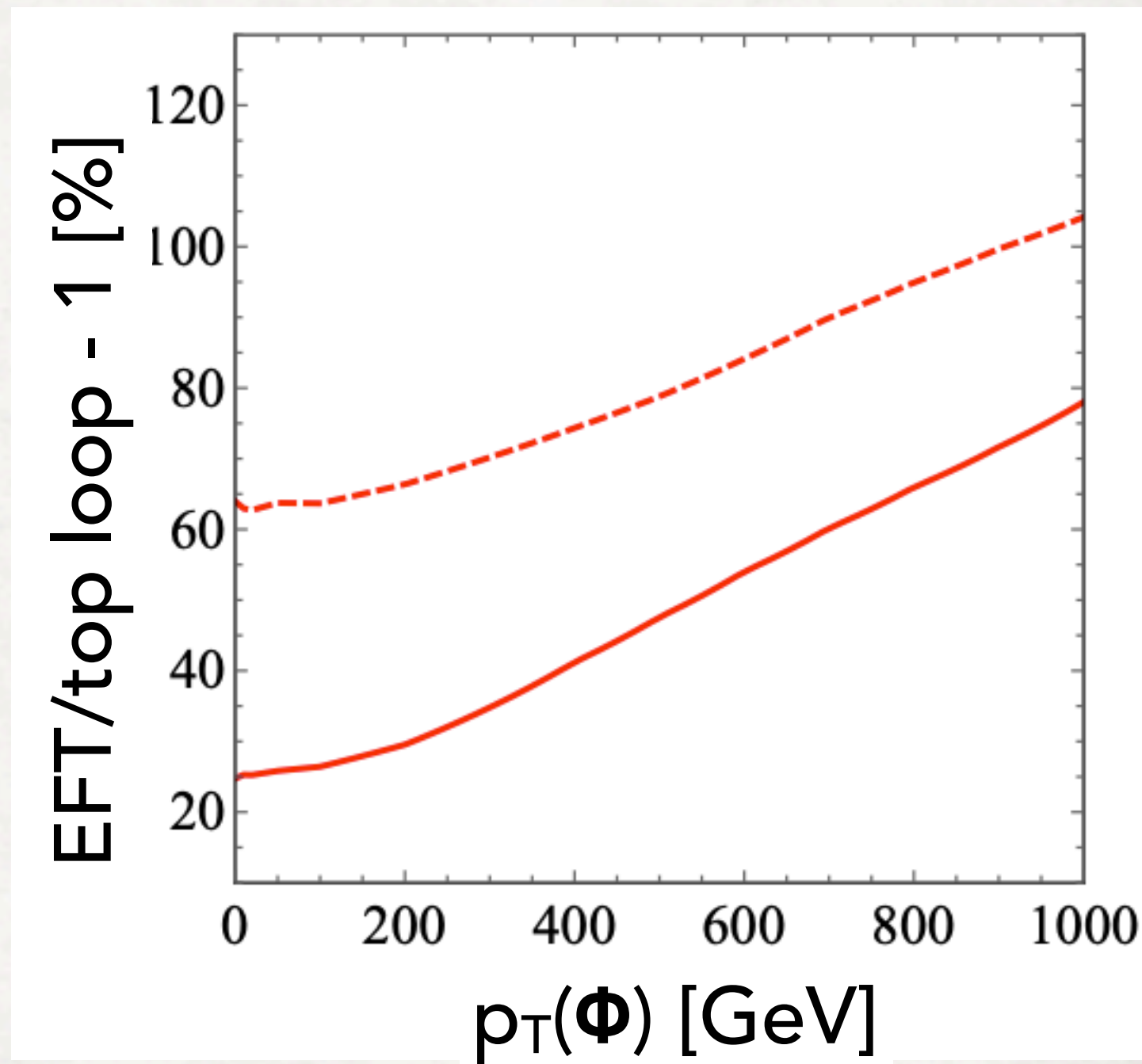
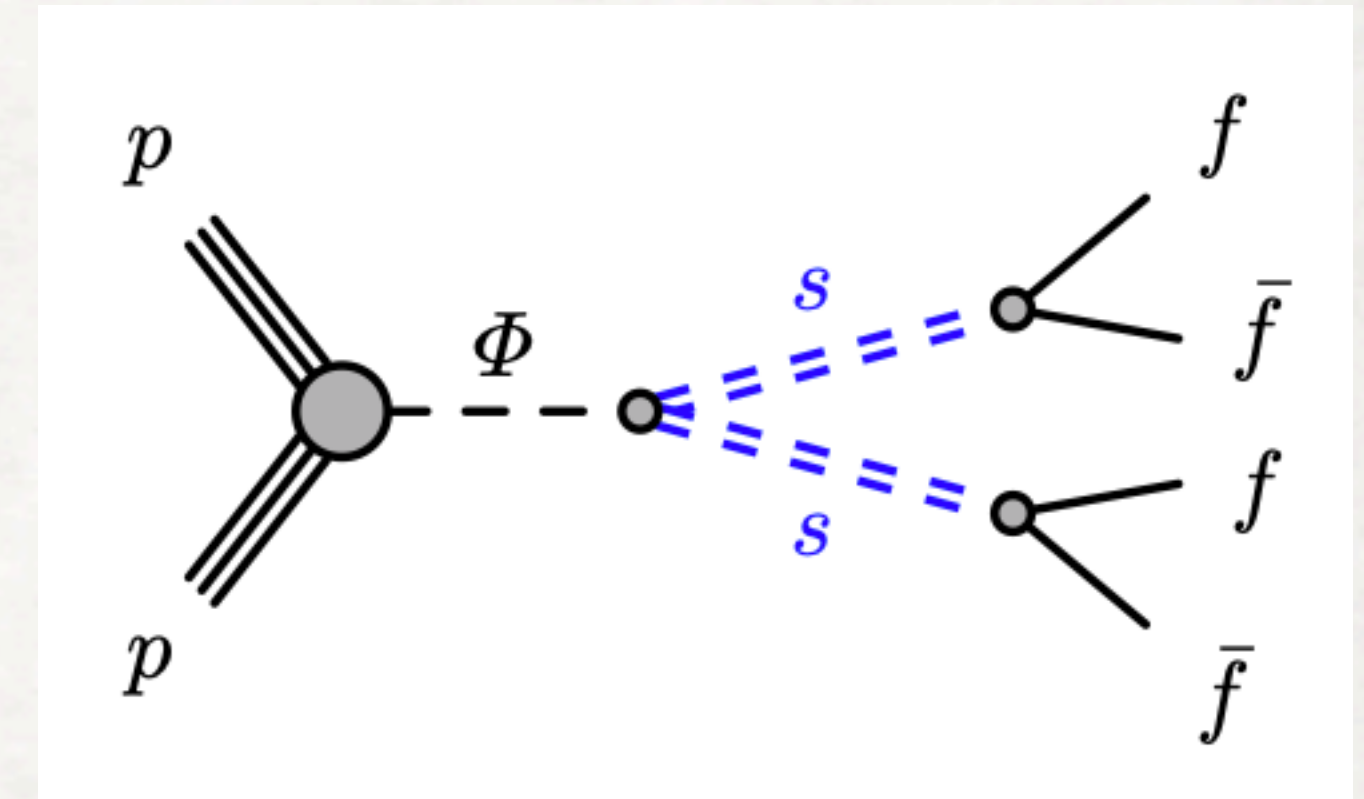


# Long-lived scalars in hidden sector models

- Search for long-lived scalars decaying into fermions using Hidden Abelian Higgs Model [Wells, 0803.1243](#)
- Hidden  $U(1)_X$  spontaneously broken by vev of a new Higgs  $\Phi$  (which is an electroweak singlet)  $\rightarrow$  two real scalars that mix
- Current ggF signal generation [ATLAS, 2203.01009](#)
  - accuracy: with **0j @ LO**
  - **infinite  $m_{top}$**
  - $p_T(\Phi)$  reweighted to match  $p_T(h_{125})$  taken from MG5aMC sample with 0+1+2j @ NLO (FxFx) calculated using HC\_NLO\_X0\_UFO-heft UFO - NB: this again uses **infinite  $m_{top}$**
- **Problems:**
  - infinite  $m_{top}$  severely overestimates high  $p_T(\Phi)$  yield
  - ggF-only generation misses important gq channel with different  $p_T$  spectrum

➔ **Suggestion: use *DMsimp* with multi-jet merging**

- generate p p > xr xr [QCD]
- add process p p > xr xr j [QCD]
- add process p p > xr xr j j [QCD]



[Haisch et al, 1503.00691](#)

# How to move forward

- We would suggest that **both collaborations discuss the suggestions** in their respective working groups and **provide feedback** to us [lhc-dmwig-admin@cern.ch](mailto:lhc-dmwig-admin@cern.ch)
  - ➔ volunteers to test feasibility of these suggestions highly welcome!
- Would be good to collect all MG generation commands & UFOs used
- Final recommendations to be fixed soon - will be delivered e.g. via a twiki

***Backup***

# EFT limits on Wilson coeff. vs $m_{DM}$ - DD results

Translate limit on cross-section to limit on Wilson coefficient using:

$$\sigma_{S-N}^{SI} = \frac{\lambda_{hSS}^2}{16\pi m_h^4} \frac{m_N^4 f_N^2}{(M_S + m_N)^2} ;$$

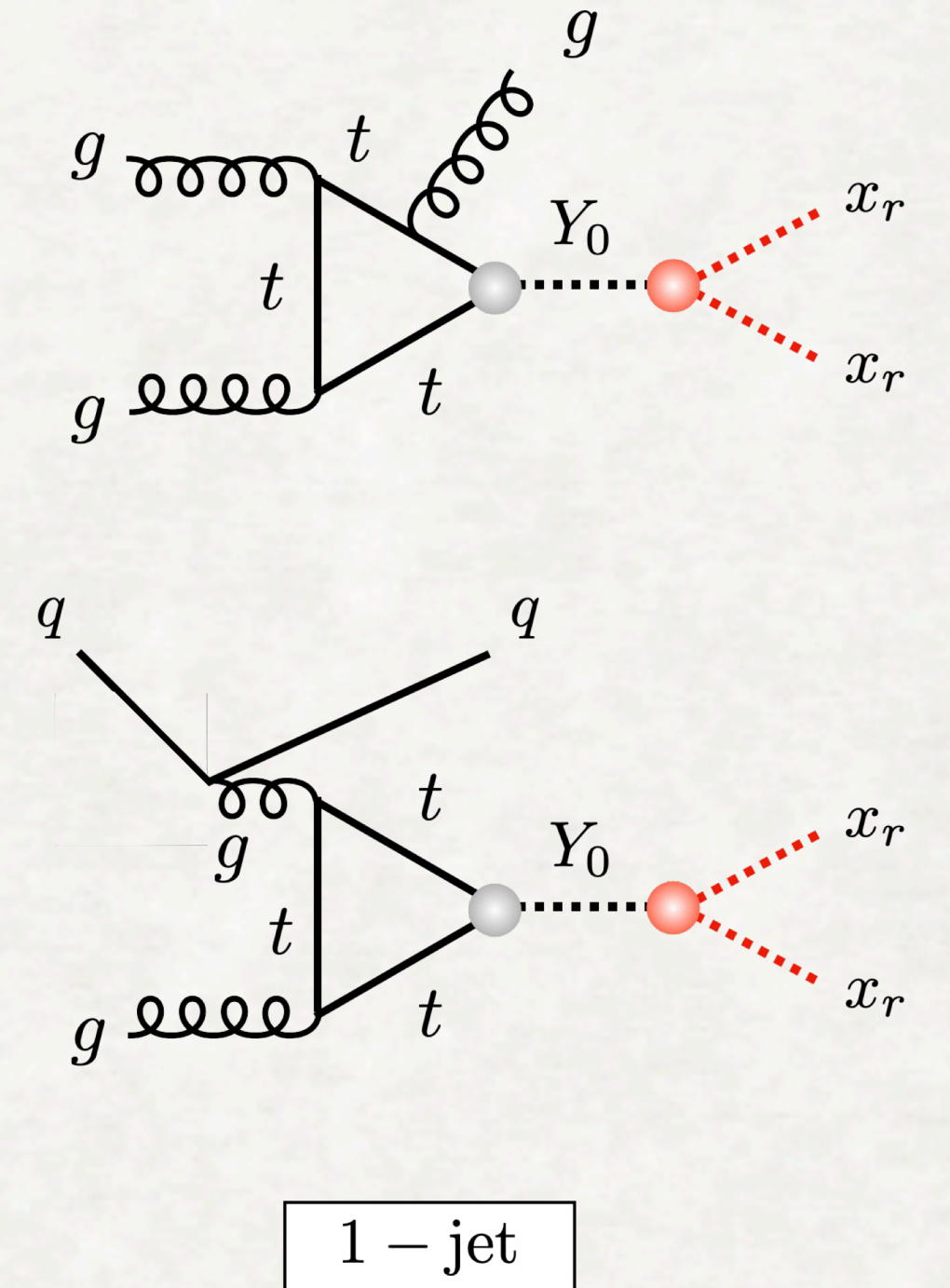
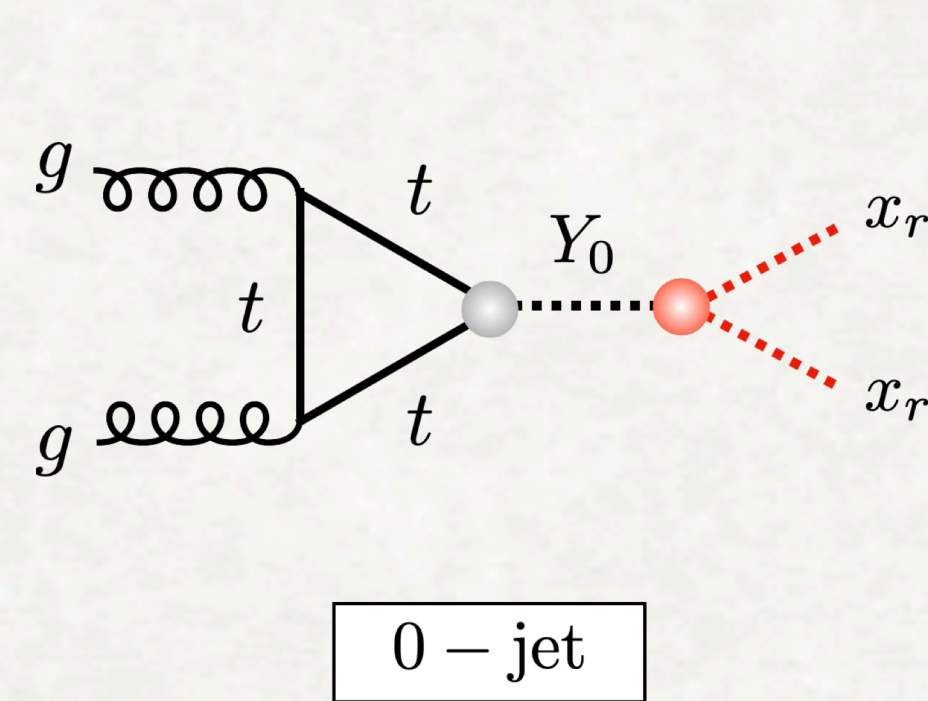
$$\sigma_{V-N}^{SI} = \frac{\lambda_{hVV}^2}{16\pi m_h^4} \frac{m_N^4 f_N^2}{(M_V + m_N)^2}$$

$$\sigma_{f-N}^{SI} = \frac{\lambda_{hff}^2}{4\pi \Lambda^2 m_h^4} \frac{m_N^4 M_f^2 f_N^2}{(M_f + m_N)^2}$$

Formulae from [Djouadi et al, 1112.3299](#)

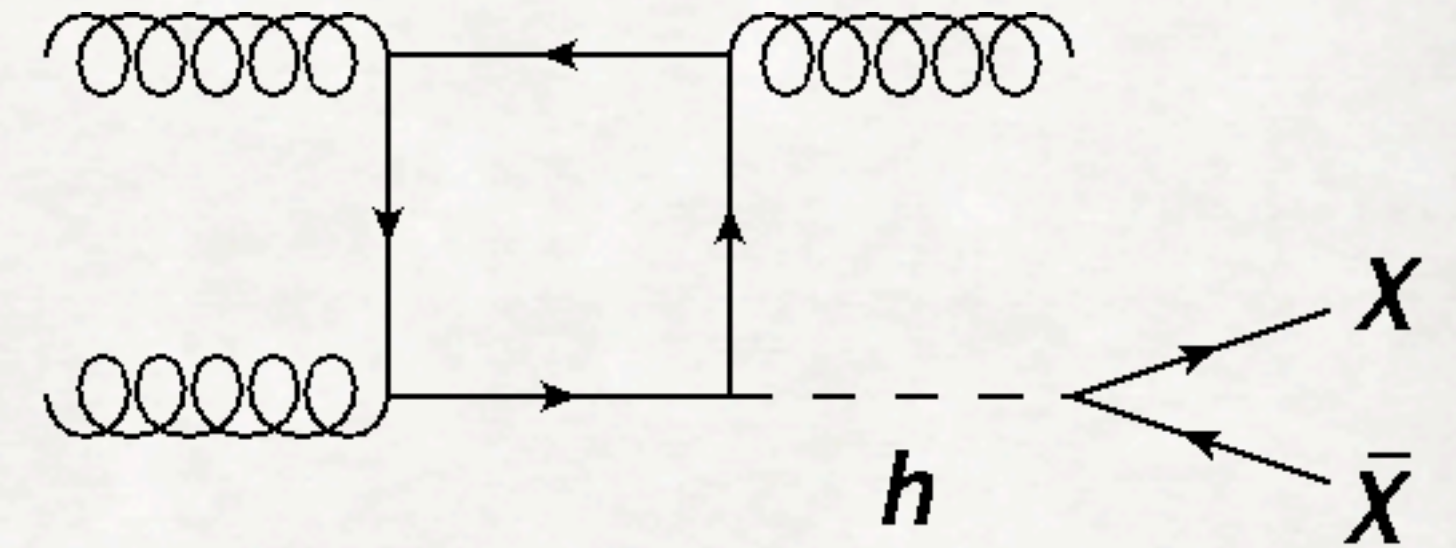
# *qg contributions for hidden sector LLP samples*

- generate  $g g \rightarrow \chi_r \chi_r$  (j) [QCD] would only give the first row of diagrams
- qg diagrams (2nd row) are not Yukawa suppressed (30% of total cross-section) and has a different  $p_T$  spectrum



# Mono-jet samples for Higgs to invisible

- Mediator is the SM Higgs - we want highest achievable precision - see recommendations in YR4 [1610.07922](#)
- ggF: NNLOPS [Hamilton et al, 1309.0017](#)
  - accuracy: 0j @ NNLO + 1j @ NLO + 2j @ LO ( $\alpha_s^4$ )
  - quark masses: infinite (current samples) - finite quark mass effects included in [Hamilton et al, 1501.04637](#)
  - normalisation: N<sup>3</sup>LO+N<sup>3</sup>LL QCD + NLO EW [Dulat et al, 1802.00827](#)
- VH:
  - NNLOPS only available for WH [1603.01620](#)
  - qq → VH:
    - accuracy: MINLO 0+1j @ NLO ( $\alpha_s^2$ ) [Luisoni et al, 1306.2542](#)
    - normalisation: NNLO QCD + NLO EW [1610.07922](#)
  - gg → ZH:
    - accuracy: Powheg 0j @ LO ( $\alpha_s^2$ )
    - quark masses: finite for bottom and top quark
    - normalisation: NLO+NLL QCD [Harlander et al, 1410.0217](#)



- ttH:
  - accuracy: Powheg 0j @ NLO ( $\alpha_s^3$ ) [Hartanto et al, https://arxiv.org/pdf/1501.04498.pdf](#)
  - normalisation: NLO QCD+EW [1610.07922](#)
- VBF:
  - accuracy: VBF + 0j @ NLO [0911.5299](#)
  - NLO EW corrections calculated with MG5aMC
  - NB: higher accuracy samples simulations exist: VBF + 1j @ NLO ( $\alpha_s^3$ ) [Jager et al, 1405.6950](#)
  - normalisation: NNLO QCD + NLO EW [1610.07922](#)