

Impact of Loop Corrections to the Trilinear Higgs Couplings and Interference Effects on Experimental Limits

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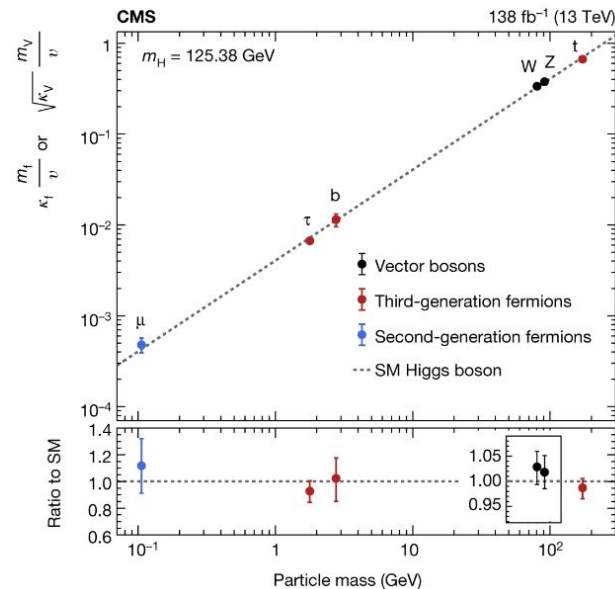


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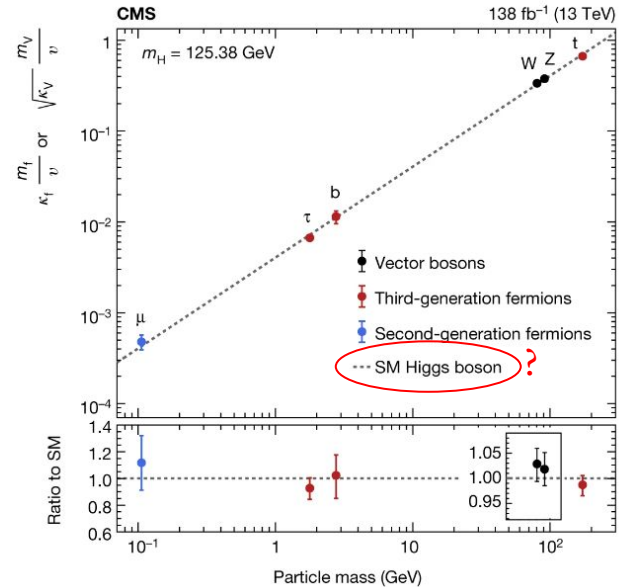
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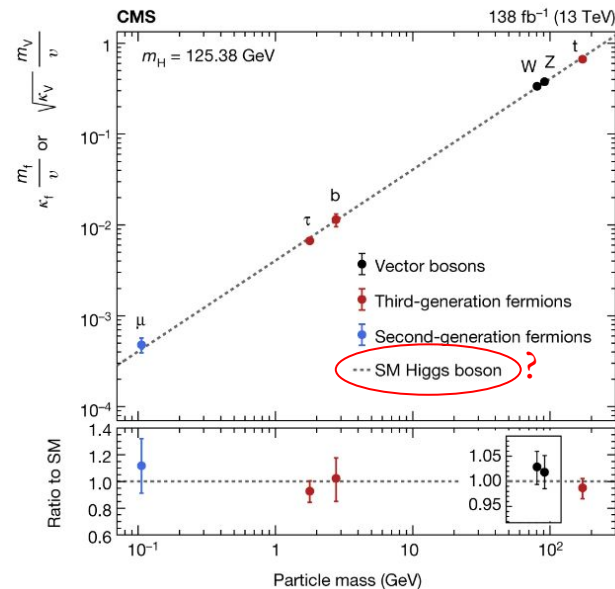
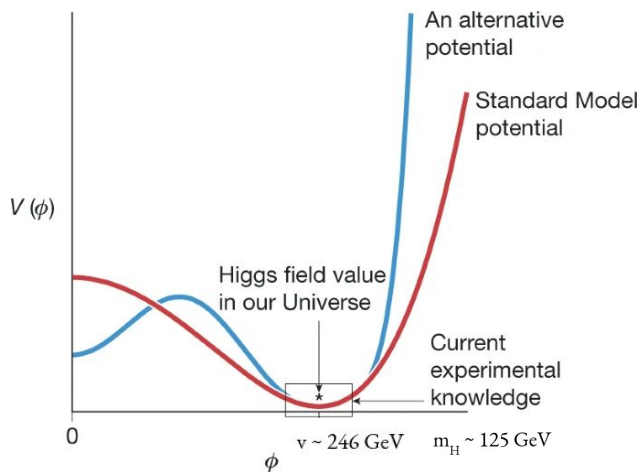
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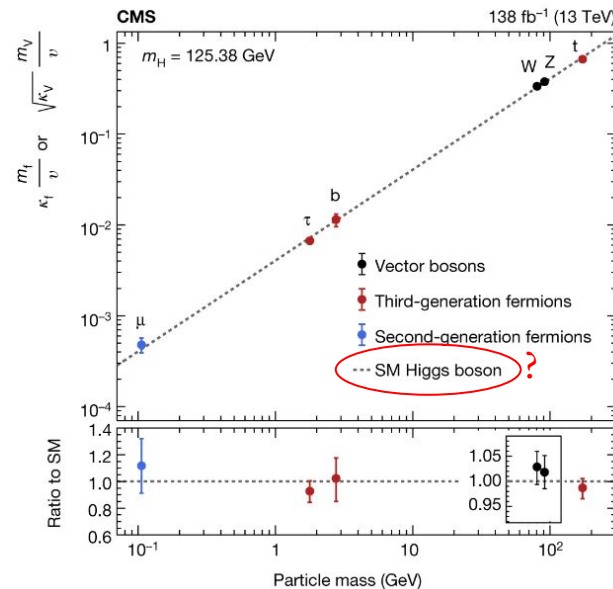
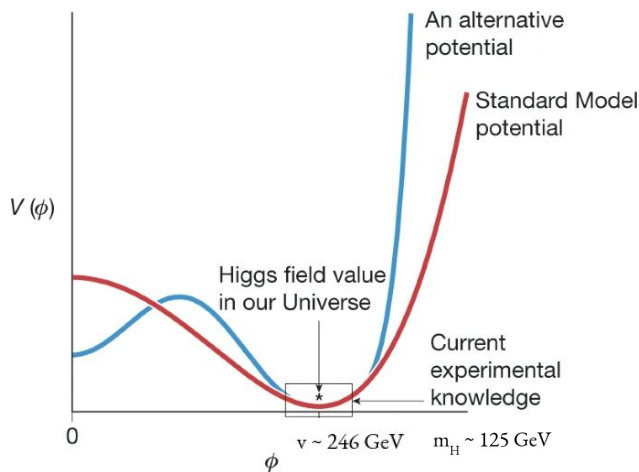
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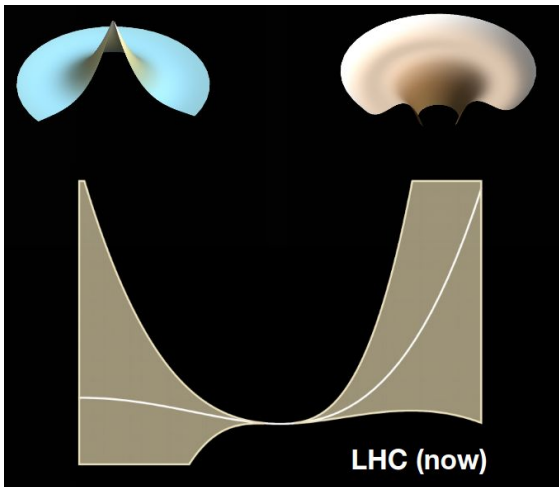
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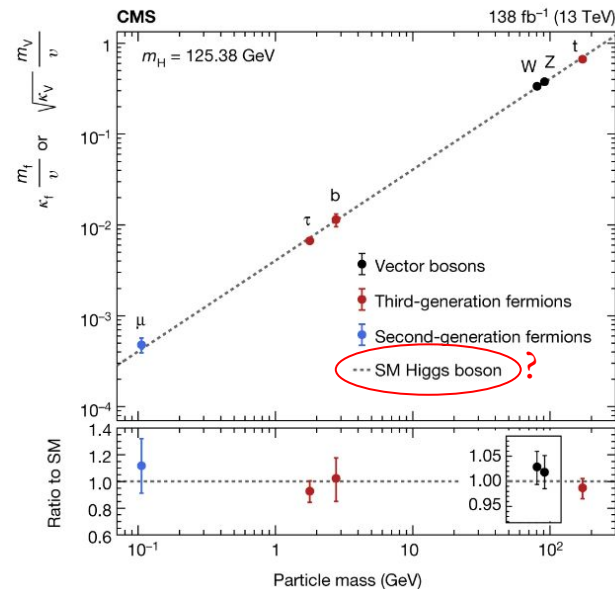


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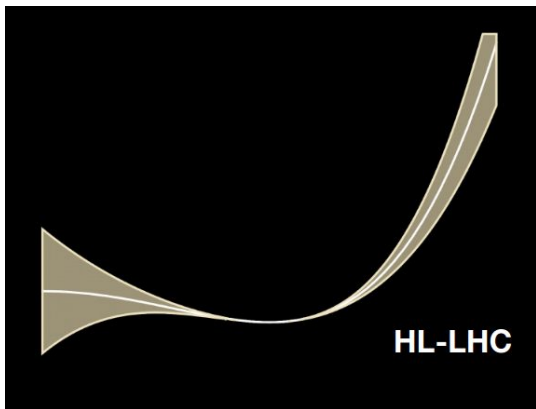
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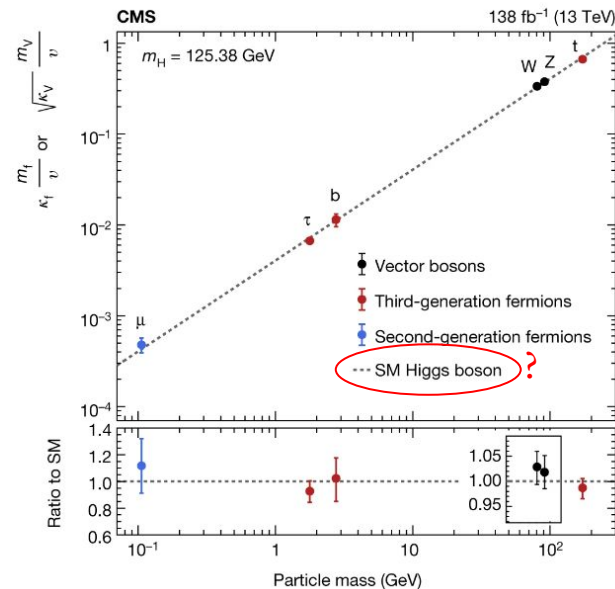
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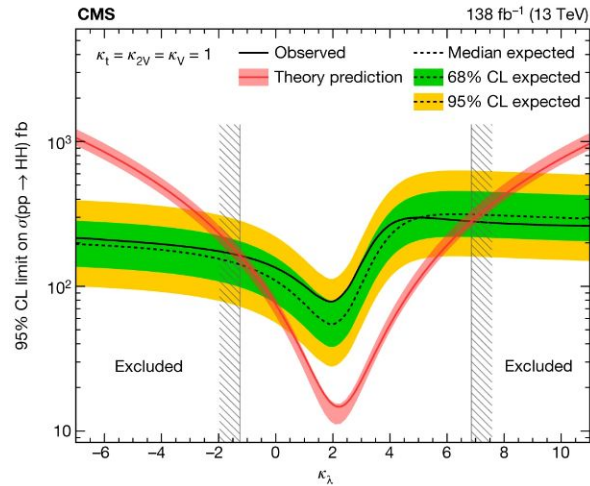
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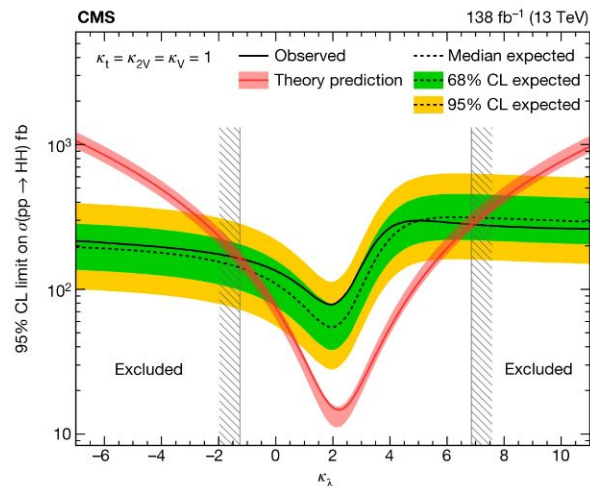
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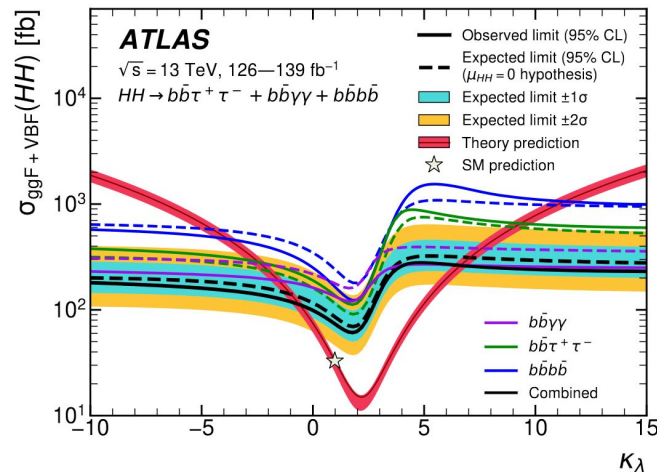
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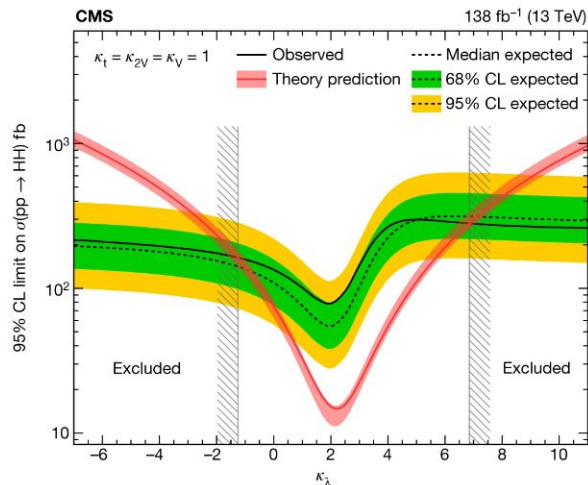
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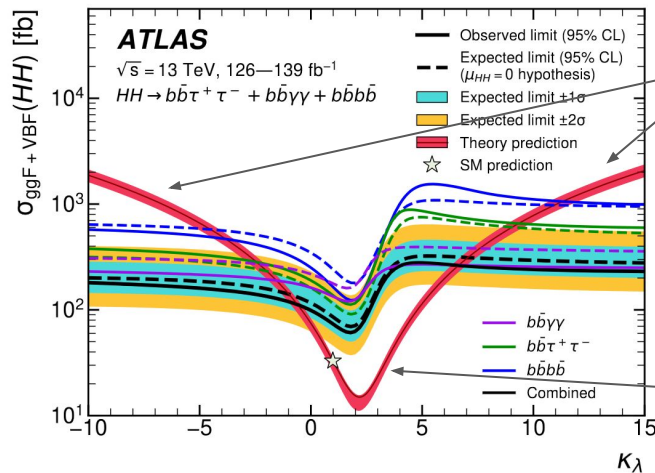
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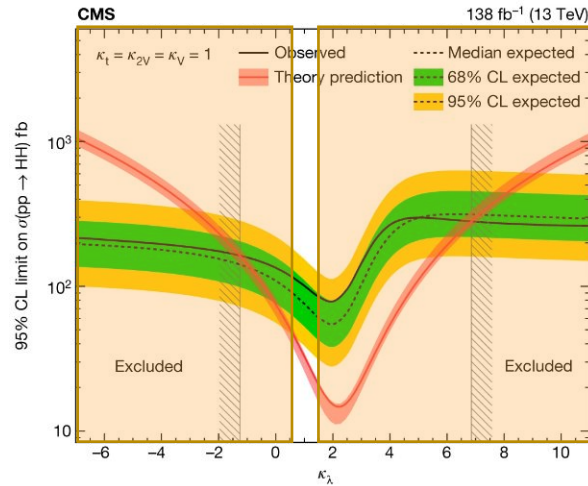
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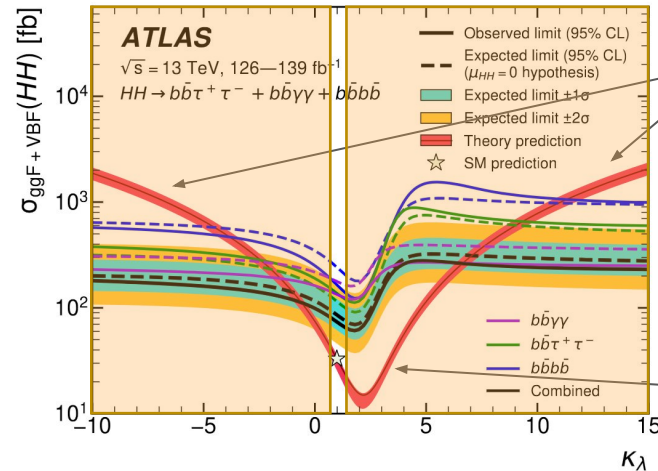
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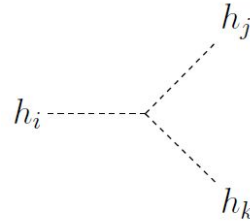
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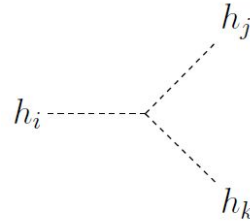
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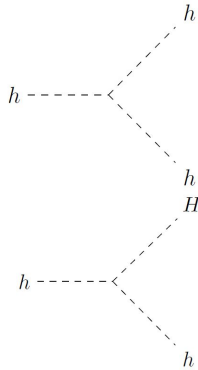
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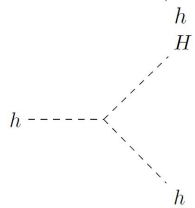


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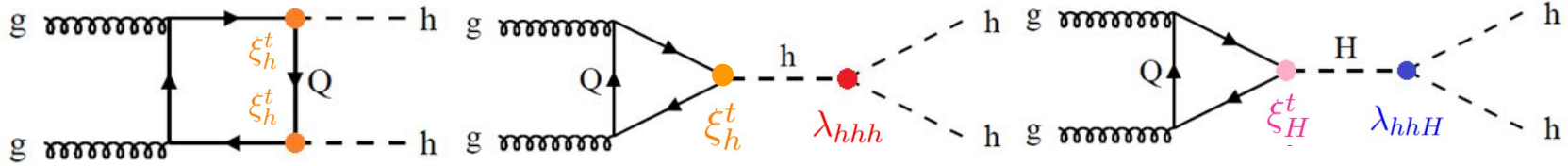
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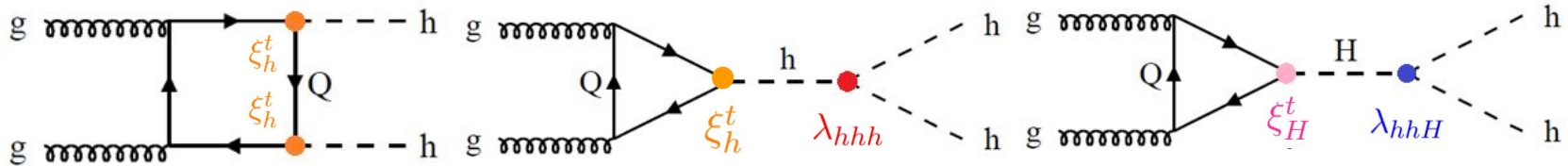


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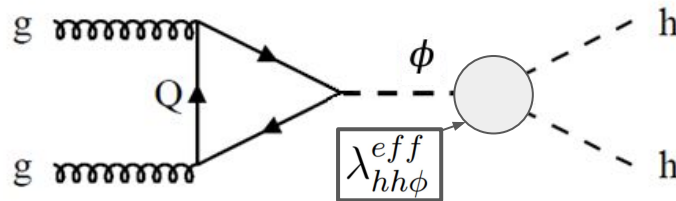
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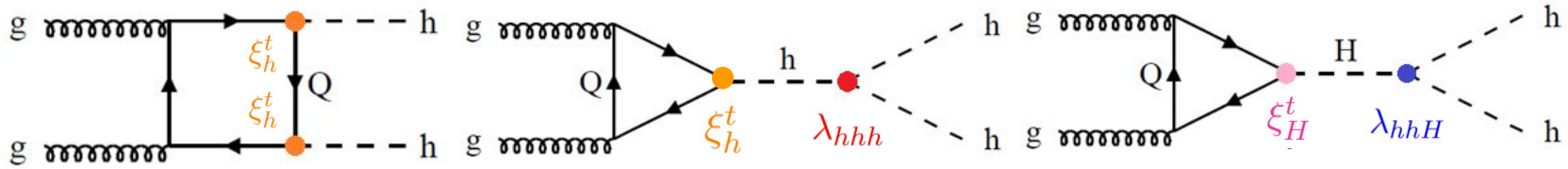
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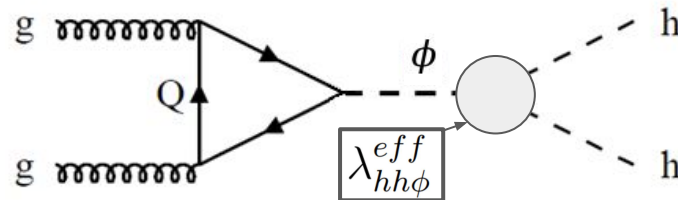


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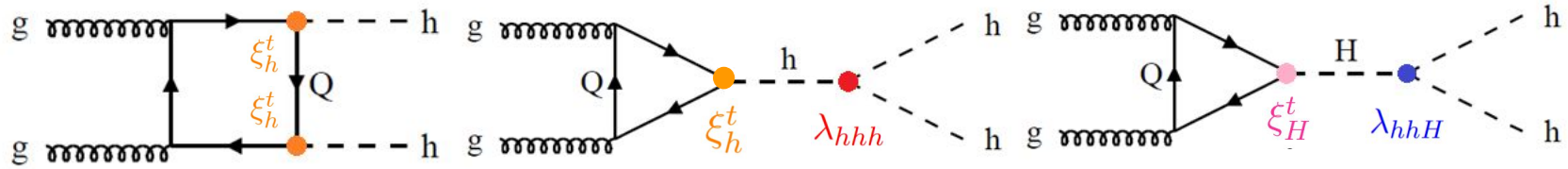
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[Plehn, Spira, Zerwas : [arXiv: 9603205](#)]

[Dawson, Dittmaier, Spira: [arXiv:9805244](#)]

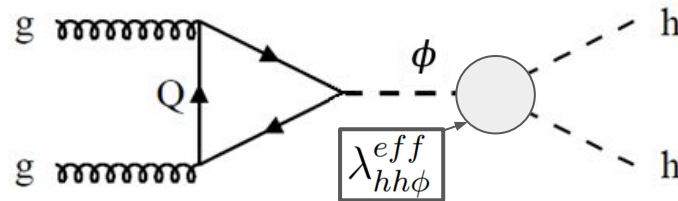


$\sigma_{SM}(\text{HTL}) \sim 38 \text{ fb}$ (Full NLO) $\sim 32 \text{ fb}$ [Talk by Michael Spira yesterday!](#)

We include corrections to this process by means of effective trilinear Higgs couplings assuming that the largest contribution comes from this type of diagrams and others can be neglected (eg. double box diagram):

- Is this reasonable? \rightarrow modifications of λ_{hhh} are the leading source of deviations of non resonant hh production cross section

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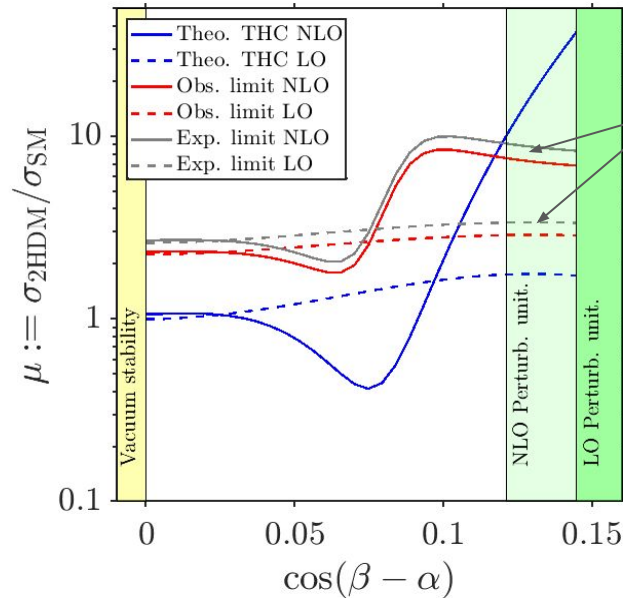
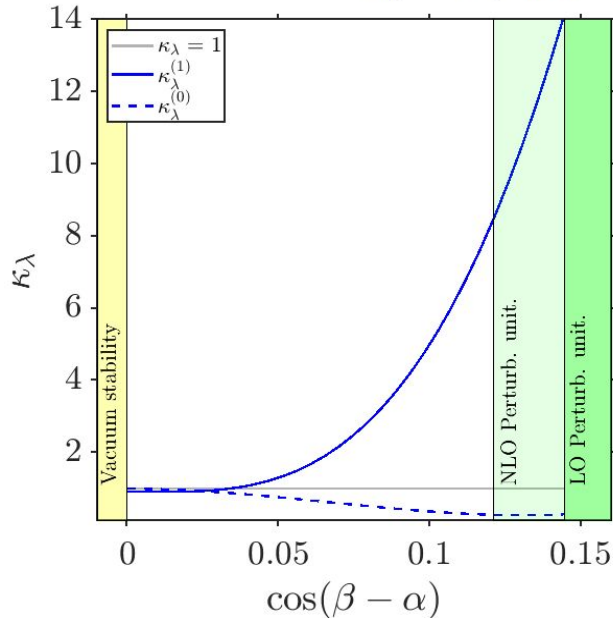
* We use a modified version of the code HPAIR

[Abouabid, Arhrib, Azevedo, El Falaki, Ferreira, Mühlleitner, Santos: [arXiv: 2112.12515](#)]

Applicability of non resonant limits

Allowed regions of the 2HDM parameter space are scanned with the python package **thdmTools** [Biekötter, Heinemeyer, No, KR, Romacho, Weiglein: [arxiv:2309.17431](https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.17431)]

$$t_\beta = 10, \quad m_H = m_A = m_{H^\pm} = 1000 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{12}^2 = m_H^2 c_\alpha^2 / t_\beta$$



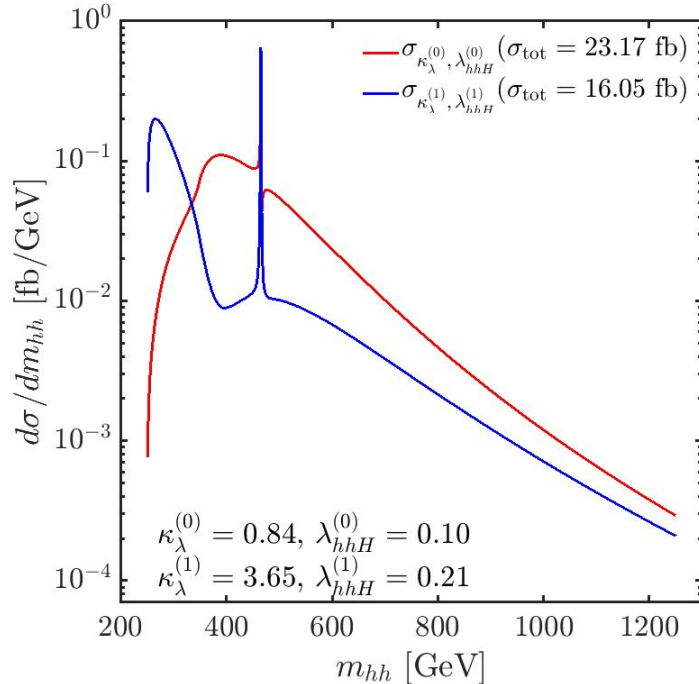
Red lines limits on the di Higgs signal strength:

[ATLAS: [2211.01216](https://arxiv.org/abs/2211.01216)]

Including loop corrections to trilinear Higgs couplings excludes regions of otherwise allowed parameter space

Effect of loop corrections of THC in m_{hh}

Inclusion of **loop corrections** can drastically change the invariant mass distribution of a particular scenario:



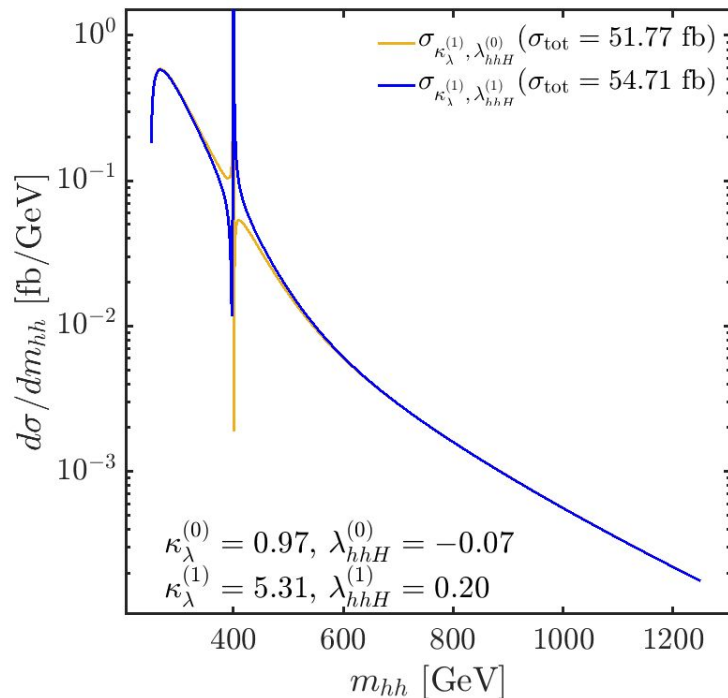
$$t_\beta = 10, c_{\beta-\alpha} = 0.13 (s_{\beta-\alpha} > 0) m_H = 465 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_A = m_{H^\pm} = 660 \text{ GeV } m_{12}^2 = m_H^2 c_\alpha^2 / t_\beta$$

- Larger sensitivity to κ_λ in the low m_{hh} region (because of a cancellation between the box and triangle diagrams in the SM)
- Drop in the $m_{hh} \sim 400$ GeV region due to a shift in the cancellation of form factors (see next slide)
- Change in the dip peak structure of the resonance

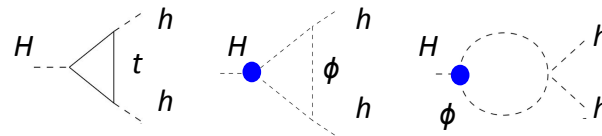
Effect of loop corrections to λ_{hhH}

One loop corrections to λ_{hhH} are large in scenarios with mass splittings, even a change in sign is possible



$$t_\beta = 15, c_{\beta-\alpha} = 0.12 (s_{\beta-\alpha} > 0) m_H = 400 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_A = m_{H^\pm} = 660 \text{ GeV } m_{12}^2 = m_H^2 c_\alpha^2 / t_\beta$$



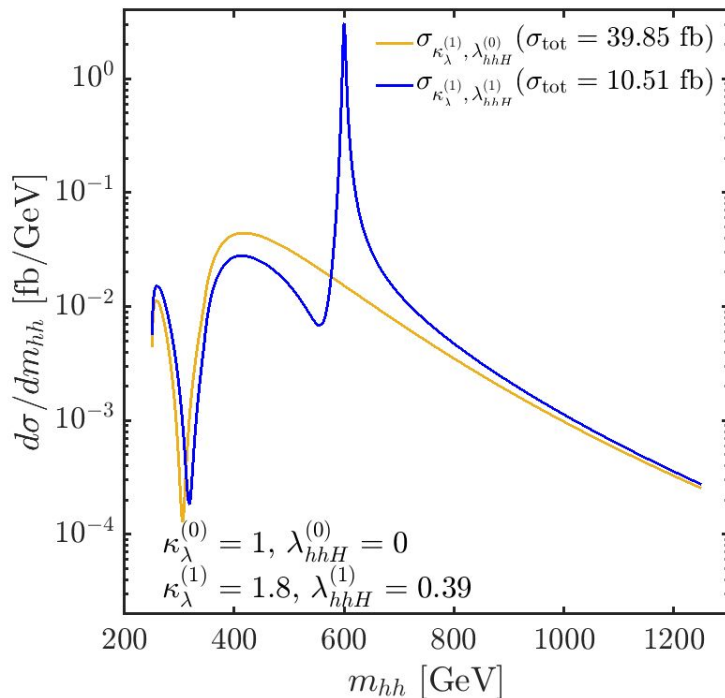
- $\lambda_{h\phi\phi} \propto (M^2 - m_\phi^2)$ [Braathen, Kanemura: [arxiv: 1911.11507](https://arxiv.org/abs/1911.11507)]

Small enhancement in the total cross section
but completely different phenomenology in m_{hh}
when corrections to λ_{hhH} are included

[Arco, Heinemeyer, Mühlleitner, KR: [arXiv: 2212.11242](https://arxiv.org/abs/2212.11242)]

Effect of loop corrections to λ_{hhH}

$$t_\beta = 2, c_{\beta-\alpha} = 0 (s_{\beta-\alpha} > 0), m_H = m_A = m_{H^\pm} = 600 \text{ GeV}, m_{12}^2 = 64000 \text{ GeV}^2$$

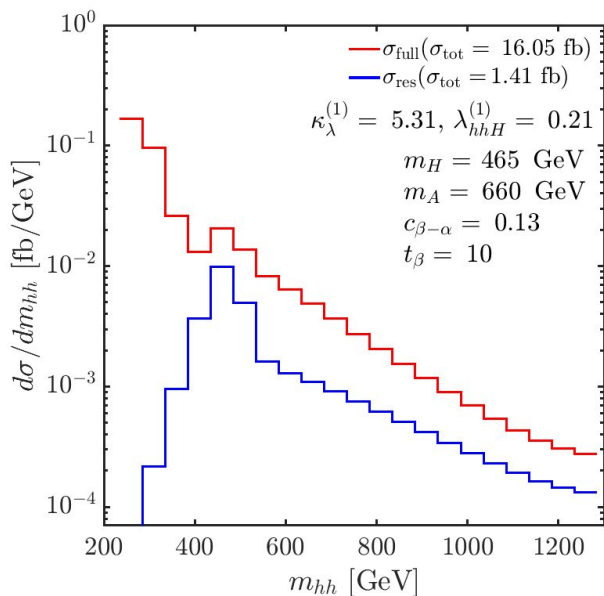


One loop corrections to λ_{hhH} can produce a significant resonant peak even in the alignment limit because of the non vanishing λ_{hHH} and λ_{HHH} couplings

Difference between resonant and non resonant

See talks by [Stefania De Curtis](#), [Tania Robens](#) and [Stefano Moretti](#) for analysis in other models with LO trilinears

Experimental limits from resonant searches can only be applied in scenarios where the contribution from the continuum diagrams is negligible compared to the resonant diagram

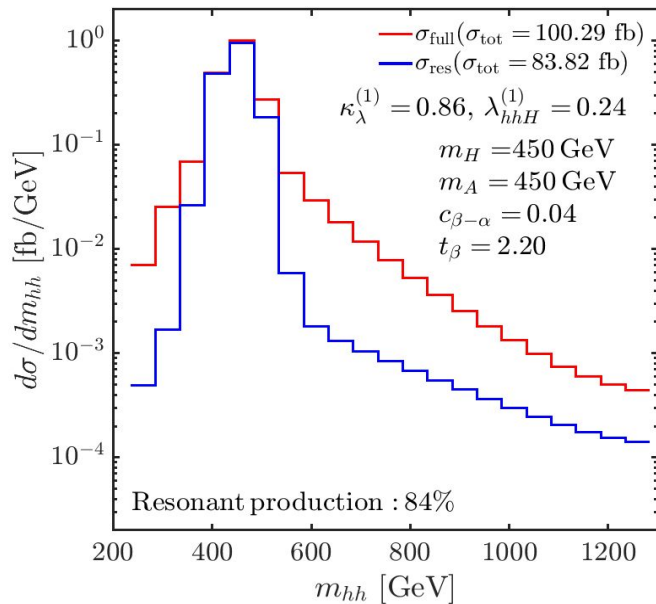
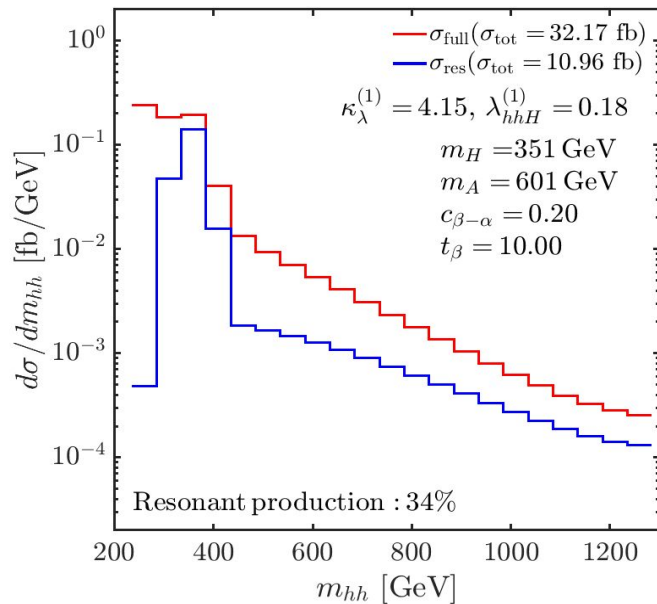


Red curve: full process
Blue curve: resonance only

15 % smearing
50 GeV binning
applied to account for
experimental uncertainties

Further examples “excluded” by resonant searches

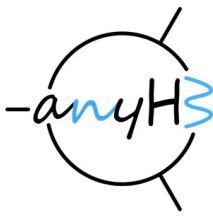
Not including the continuum diagrams makes the prediction at low m_{hh} change by orders of magnitude!
Even when the resonant contribution is very large, the peak is significantly broadened



✗ resonant searches
✓ non resonant searches

Current experimental sensitivity motivates a more complex framework where interference effects are taken into account

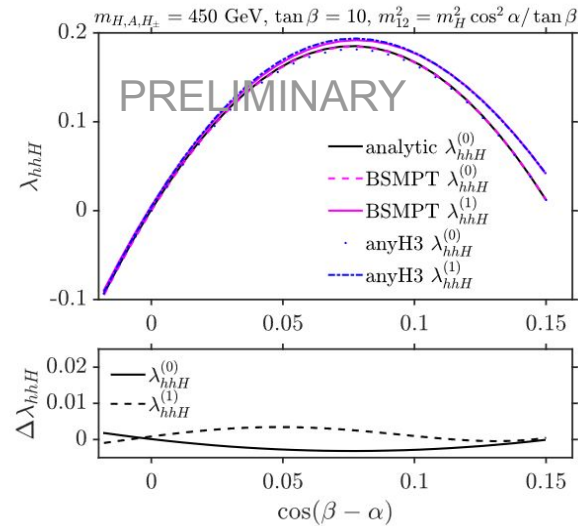
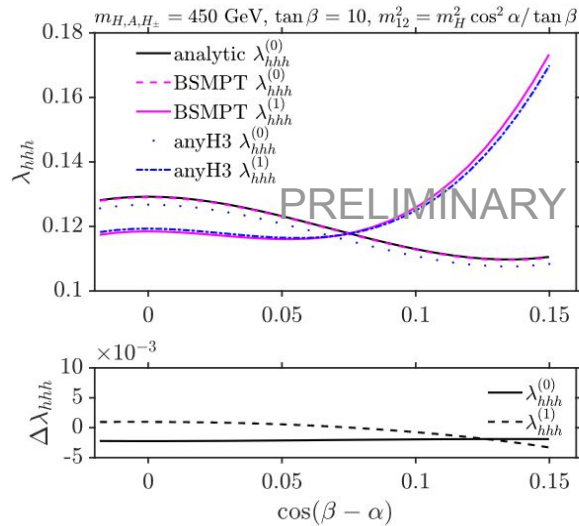
AnyBSM: new tool for corrections to the trilinears



A possibility to compute the corrections diagrammatically -> anyH3 module of anyBSM

Loop corrections to the trilinear Higgs coupling λ_{hhh} (any λ_{ijk} + Higgs pair production under development) so this analysis can be generalized to any model provided a UFO file!

[Bahl, Braathen, Gabelmann, Weiglein: [arXiv: 2305.03015](https://arxiv.org/abs/2305.03015)] and [Bahl, Braathen, Gabelmann, KR, Weiglein: TBP]



Comparison of the corrections to the trilinear Higgs couplings λ_{hhh} and λ_{hhH} in BSMPT and anyH3

Note! different renormalization schemes:
anyH3: OS tadpole

$$\Delta \lambda_{ijk} := \lambda_{ijk}(\text{anyH3}) - \lambda_{ijk}(\text{BSMPT})$$

Conclusions

Sizable **deviations in trilinear Higgs couplings** are allowed by all current constraints and can be embedded in BSM models that have an important **impact on the early universe**

Contributions of the heavy BSM scalars can be sizable in Higgs pair production

Including **radiative corrections to the Higgs self interactions** helps to constrain parameter regions of otherwise unconstrained parameter space in the 2HDM applying current experimental bounds on **non-resonant di Higgs production** cross section

Invariant mass distributions are drastically sensitive to deviations in trilinear Higgs couplings from the SM value and a precise theoretical framework is essential to interpret the results

There are scenarios in simple BSM models where the resonant contribution is washed away in the full result and the hypothesis of experimental searches are insufficient to capture their phenomenology
→ joint effort between theory and experiment are needed to define an appropriate framework

- **EWPO**: impose a condition on the Higgs boson masses: $(m_{H^\pm} - m_H) \sim 0$ and/or $(m_{H^\pm} - m_A) \sim 0$
in our scenarios $m_{H^\pm} = m_A$
- **Theoretical**:
 - (N)LO Unitarity**: from the $2 \rightarrow 2$ processes scattering amplitude
[Cacchio, Chowdhury, Eberhardt, Murphy: [arXiv:1609.01290](https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.01290)]
 - Stability**: tree level boundedness from below of the potential
[Bhattacharyya, Das: [arXiv:1507.06424](https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.06424)]
- **Collider searches and measurements**:
 - HiggsBounds**: experimental limits from direct searches
 - HiggsSignals**: signal strength of the 125 GeV Higgs
[HiggsTools Collaboration: [arXiv: 2210.09332](https://arxiv.org/abs/2210.09332)]
- **Flavour observables**: $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$ and $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ (SuperIso)
[Mahmoudi: [arXiv:0808.3144](https://arxiv.org/abs/0808.3144)]

Higgs pair production in the 2HDM at tree level

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splitting into two spin configurations of the gluons:
 spin = 0 spin = 2

$$\frac{d\hat{\sigma}(gg \rightarrow HH)}{d\hat{t}} = \frac{G_F^2 \alpha_s^2}{256(2\pi)^3} \left[|C_\Delta F_\Delta|^2 + |C_\square F_\square|^2 + |C_\square G_\square|^2 \right]$$

* Generalized coupling constants:

$$C_\Delta = C_\Delta^h + C_\Delta^H \quad ; \quad C_\Delta^{h/H} = \lambda_{H_i H_j (h/H)} \frac{M_Z^2}{\hat{s} - M_{h/H}^2 + i M_{h/H} \Gamma_{h/H}} g_Q^{h/H} \quad ; \quad C_\square = 1$$

Yukawas

* Triangle form factors:

$$F_\Delta(\tau_t) = \tau_t \left[1 + (1 - \tau_t) f(\tau_t) \right] \quad ; \quad f(\tau) = \begin{cases} \arcsin^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau}} & \tau \geq 1 \\ -\frac{1}{4} \left[\log \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 - \tau}}{1 - \sqrt{1 - \tau}} - i\pi \right]^2 & \tau < 1 \end{cases}$$

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* Matrix element:

$$\mathcal{M}(g_a g_b \rightarrow H_c H_d) = \mathcal{M}_\Delta^h + \mathcal{M}_\Delta^H + \mathcal{M}_\square$$

$$\mathcal{M}_\Delta^{h/H} = \frac{G_F \alpha_s \hat{s}}{2\sqrt{2}\pi} C_\Delta^{h/H} F_\Delta A_{1\mu\nu} \epsilon_a^\mu \epsilon_b^\nu \delta_{ab}$$

a,b: color indices

$$\mathcal{M}_\square = \frac{G_F \alpha_s \hat{s}}{2\sqrt{2}\pi} C_\square (F_\square A_{1\mu\nu} + G_\square A_{2\mu\nu}) \epsilon_a^\mu \epsilon_b^\nu \delta_{ab}$$

gluon polarization vectors

* Tensor structure:

$$A_1^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{(p_a p_b)} \epsilon^{\mu\nu p_a p_b} \quad A_2^{\mu\nu} = \frac{p_c^\mu \epsilon^{\nu p_a p_b p_c} + p_c^\nu \epsilon^{\mu p_a p_b p_c} + (p_b p_c) \epsilon^{\mu\nu p_a p_c} + (p_a p_c) \epsilon^{\mu\nu p_b p_c}}{(p_a p_b) p_T^2}$$

* Box form factors:

$$F_\square = \frac{1}{S^2} \left\{ -2S(S + \rho_c - \rho_d) m_Q^4 (D_{abc} + D_{bac} + D_{acb}) + (\rho_c - \rho_d) m_Q^2 \left[T_1 C_{ac} + U_1 C_{bc} + U_2 C_{ad} + T_2 C_{bd} - (TU - \rho_c \rho_d) m_Q^2 D_{acb} \right] \right\}$$

$$G_\square = \frac{1}{S(TU - \rho_c \rho_d)} \left\{ (U^2 - \rho_c \rho_d) m_Q^2 \left[S C_{ab} + U_1 C_{bc} + U_2 C_{ad} - S U m_Q^2 D_{abc} \right] - (T^2 - \rho_c \rho_d) m_Q^2 \left[S C_{ab} + T_1 C_{ac} + T_2 C_{bd} - S T m_Q^2 D_{bac} \right] \right. \\ \left. + \left[(T + U)^2 - 4\rho_c \rho_d \right] (T - U) m_Q^2 C_{cd} + 2(T - U)(TU - \rho_c \rho_d) m_Q^4 (D_{abc} + D_{bac} + D_{acb}) \right\}$$

* Counterterm potential:

$$\begin{aligned} V^{\text{CT}} = & \delta m_{11}^2 \Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1 + \delta m_{22}^2 \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2 - \delta m_{12}^2 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 + \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) + \frac{\delta \lambda_1}{2} (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1)^2 + \frac{\delta \lambda_2}{2} (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 \\ & + \delta \lambda_3 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_1) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_2) + \delta \lambda_4 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2) (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) + \frac{\delta \lambda_5}{2} \left[(\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1)^2 \right] \\ & + \delta T_1 (\zeta_1 + \omega_1) + \delta T_2 (\zeta_2 + \omega_2) + \delta T_{\text{CP}} (\psi_2 + \omega_{\text{CP}}) + \delta T_{\text{CB}} (\rho_2 + \omega_{\text{CB}}) . \end{aligned}$$

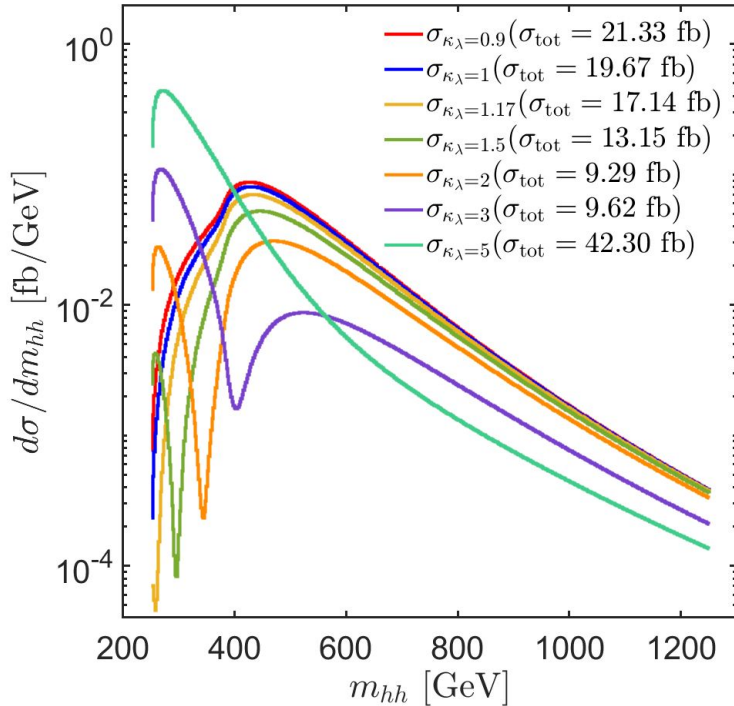
* Renormalization conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{\phi_i} V^{\text{CT}} \Big|_{\phi=\langle\phi^c\rangle_{T=0}} &= - \partial_{\phi_i} V^{\text{CW}} \Big|_{\phi=\langle\phi^c\rangle_{T=0}} \\ \partial_{\phi_i} \partial_{\phi_j} V^{\text{CT}} \Big|_{\phi=\langle\phi^c\rangle_{T=0}} &= - \partial_{\phi_i} \partial_{\phi_j} V^{\text{CW}} \Big|_{\phi=\langle\phi^c\rangle_{T=0}} \end{aligned}$$

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Changes in the invariant mass distribution in a non resonant scenario with *ad hoc* changes in κ_λ :



- The total cross section features the expected trend (i.e. minimum at $\kappa_\lambda \sim 2.5$)
 - The differential cross section also has a minimum for masses of the final system of hh between 200-400 GeV
- The reason is a cancellation of the form factors in the continuum diagrams

$$\sigma \propto |C_\Delta F_\Delta + C_\square F_\square|^2$$

$$C_\Delta \propto \lambda_{hhh}$$

In the heavy top limit: $F_\Delta = \frac{2}{3}$, $F_\square = -\frac{2}{3}$

For $m_{hh} \sim 2m_t \sim 350$ GeV the heavy top limit is not valid and the cancellation is reduced