



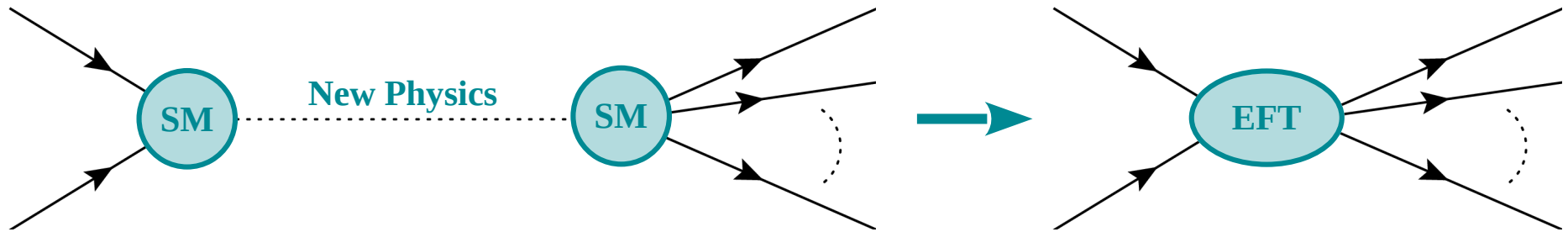
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# The $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZH$ process in the Standard Model Effective Field Theory beyond Leading Order

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# Effective theories (EFT) as tools for BSM searches

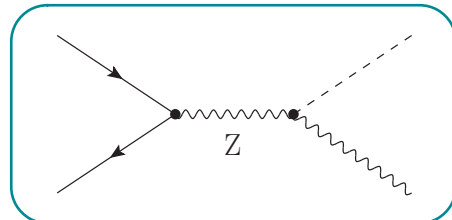
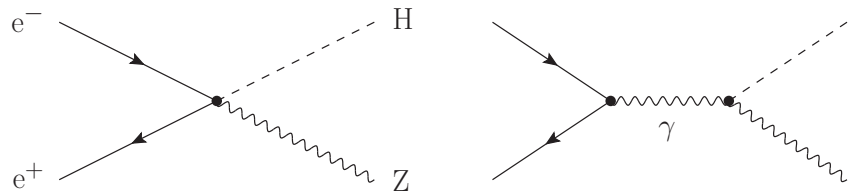


- Ideal case, detect new particles directly ...
- Otherwise detect “heavy” new physics indirectly
- EFT’s and the Standard Model Effective Theory (SMEFT) in particular can be a great tool to parametrize such heavy effects systematically

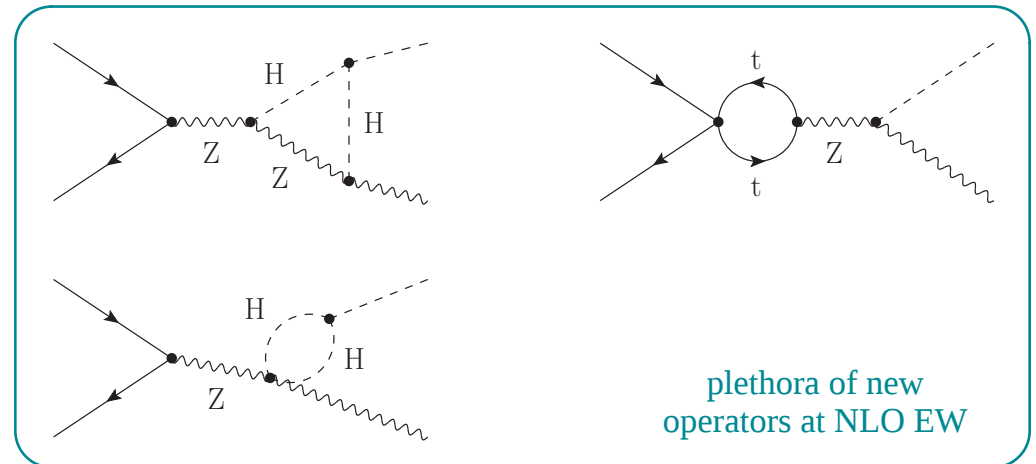
$$L_{\text{SMEFT}} = L_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{C_i^6 O_i^6}{\Lambda^2} + \sum_i \frac{C_i^8 O_i^8}{\Lambda^4} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^6}\right)$$

- Only assumptions in SMEFT: *i)* new operators respect SM gauge symmetries, and *ii)* no new light particles  $\rightarrow$  renormalizable order-by-order in scale of new physics  $\Lambda$

# Higgstrahlung in the SM and SMEFT



leading order Standard Model



plethora of new operators at NLO EW

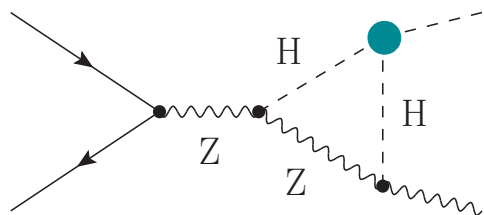
- SM results available at NLO EW [Fleischer, Jegerlehner '83; Kniehl '92, Denner, Kublbeck, Mertig, Bohm '92; Bondarenko, Dydyshka, Kalinovskaya, Rumyantsev, Sadykov, Yermolchik '19]  
 ... many pieces known at NNLO accuracy [Sun, Feng, Jia, Sang '17; Gong, Li, Xu, Yang, Zhao '17; Song, Freitas '21; Chen, Guan, He, Li, Liu, Ma '22; Freitas, Song, Xie '23]
- SMEFT at LO extensively studied using LEP data → precision of future lepton collider might allow the indirect study of operators not present at LO
- **Next step: SMEFT at NLO in the electro-weak expansion** (first studies published KA, Dawson, Giardino, Szafron, arXiv:2406.03557 ... more to come soon)

# SMEFT at NLO in the electro-weak expansion

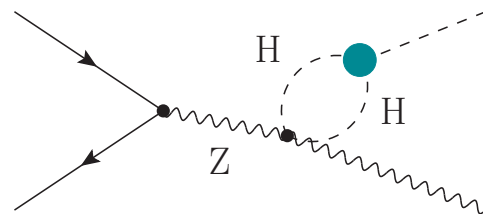
- Fully differential NLO EW calculation including ...
  - ... potentially polarized beams
  - ... all dimension-6 SMEFT operators

$$L = L_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{C_i O_i}{\Lambda^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^4}\right)$$

- $\mathcal{O}(10)$  Operators at LO  $\rightarrow \sim 80$  contribute to this process at NLO
- At NLO sensitive to poorly constrained interactions



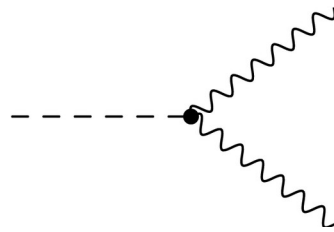
Higgs tri-linear coupling  $C_\phi$



4-fermion operators  $C_{eu}[1, 1, 3, 3]$

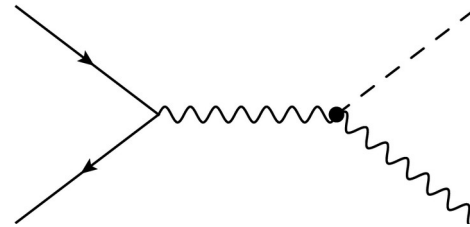
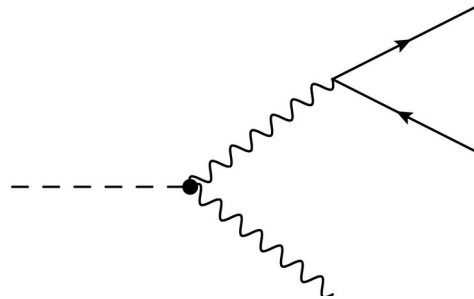
- New mechanism for CP violation in Higgsstrahlung at NLO EW (first at  $\mathcal{O}(1/\Lambda^2)$ )

# CP Violation in Higgstrahlung / Higgs decay



$$\sim (g^{\mu\nu} - p^\mu p^\nu) + \frac{O_{\text{CP}}}{\Lambda^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_\rho p_\sigma + \mathcal{O}(1/\Lambda^4)$$

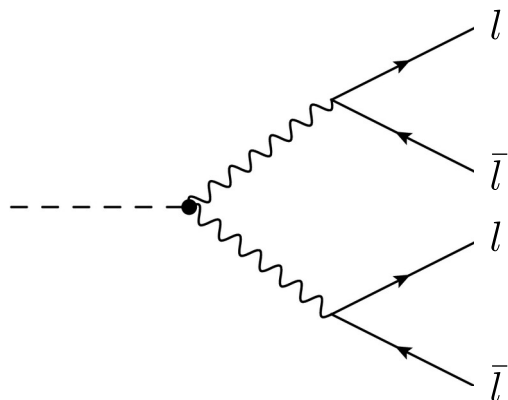
- SM symmetric, CP violating contributions anti-symmetric  $\rightarrow$  no interference
- **CP violation in higher orders of EFT expansion**  $\sim 1/\Lambda^4$



$$\sim 1 + i \frac{O_{\text{CP}}}{\Lambda^2} + \mathcal{O}(1/\Lambda^4)$$

- CP violating contributions imaginary but SM is real at tree level  $\rightarrow$  no interference
- **CP violation in higher orders of perturbation theory where virtual corrections can develop imaginary contributions**

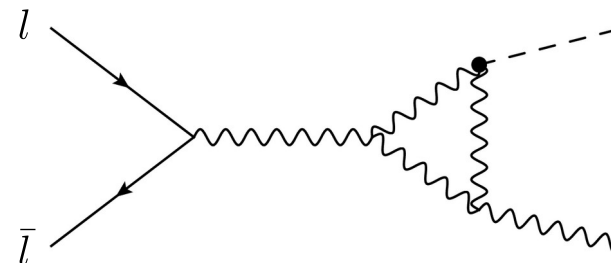
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Plethora of studies of  $H \rightarrow 4$  leptons at LHC both from ATLAS and CMS both in SM and SMEFT

Recent: CP violation in SMEFT at  $\mathcal{O}(1/\Lambda^4)$  at a potential future lepton collider in JHEP 03, 050 (2016)

**Requires complicated angular analysis of the 4 lepton final state**



CP violation from virtual corrections studied in arXiv:2406.03557 [KA, Dawson, Giardino, Szafron]

**Simpler analysis since only reconstructed Higgs (or Z) momenta enough to define asymmetry based on “total” NLO cross sections**

**→ in the following**

# CP Violation in Higgstrahlung

- Four CP violating operators

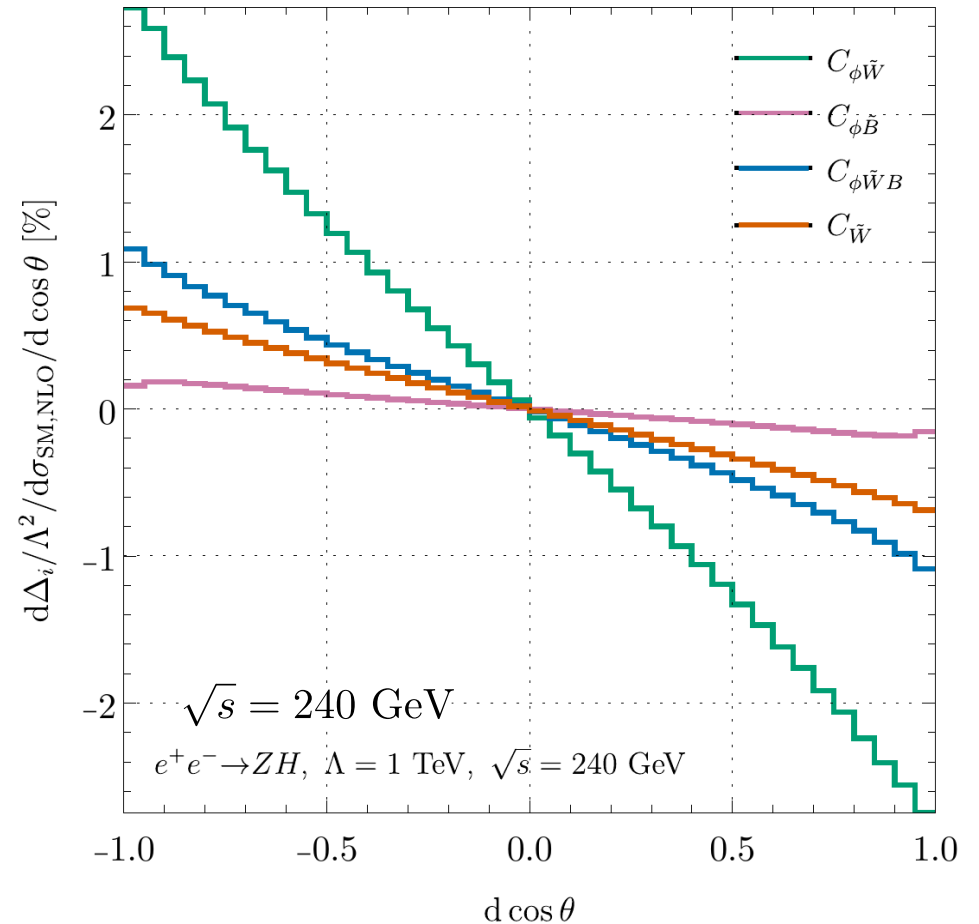
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- Assuming  $\Lambda = 1 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $C_i = 1$  and  $\sqrt{s} = 240 \text{ GeV}$  (FCC-ee)

$$\frac{\sigma_{\text{NLO}}}{\sigma_{\text{SM,NLO}}} = 1 + \sum_i \frac{C_i(\mu)}{\Lambda^2} \left\{ \Delta_i + \bar{\Delta}_i \log \frac{\mu^2}{s} \right\}$$

- 2 – 3% differences close to the beam line
- Biggest difference from  $O_{\phi\tilde{W}}$
- Variations in shape

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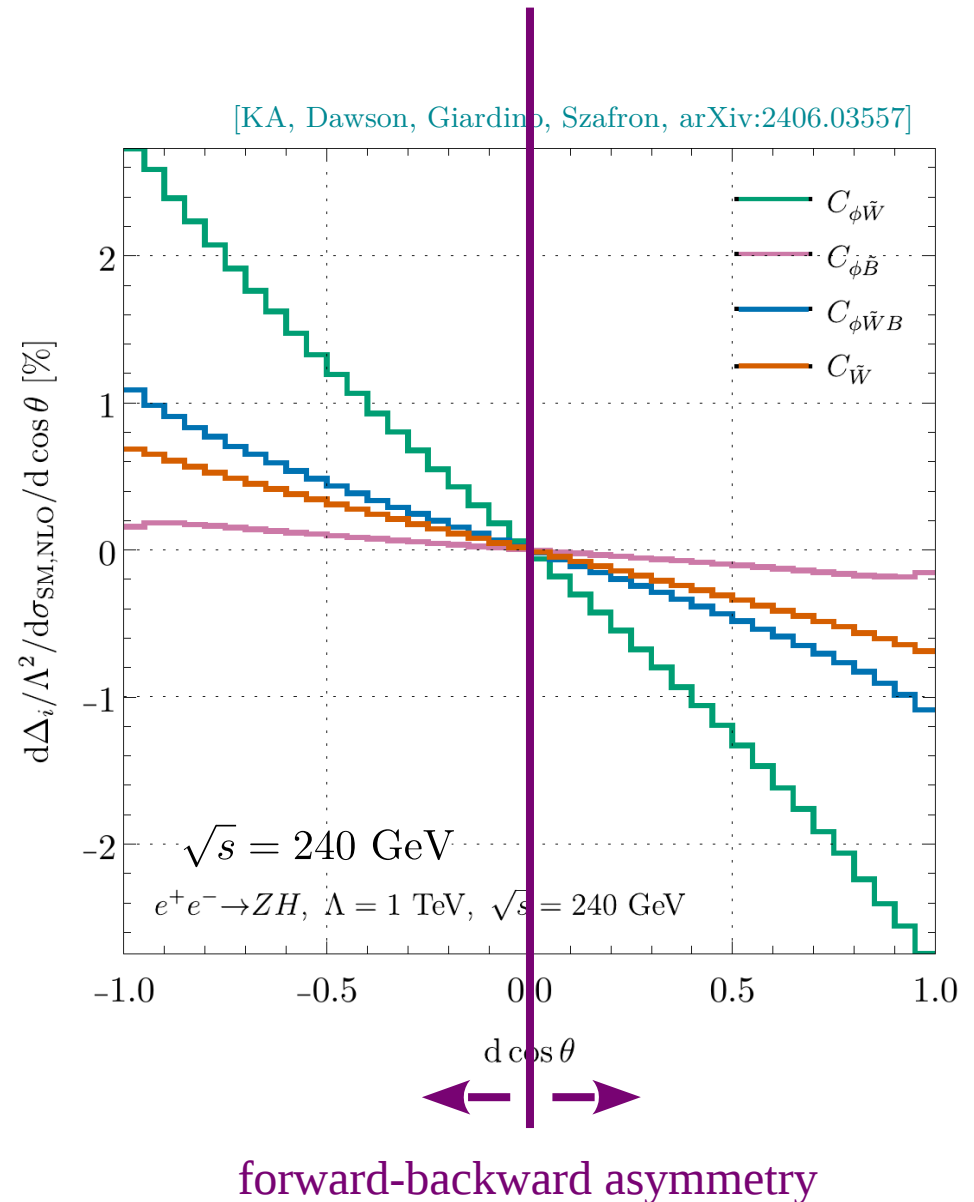
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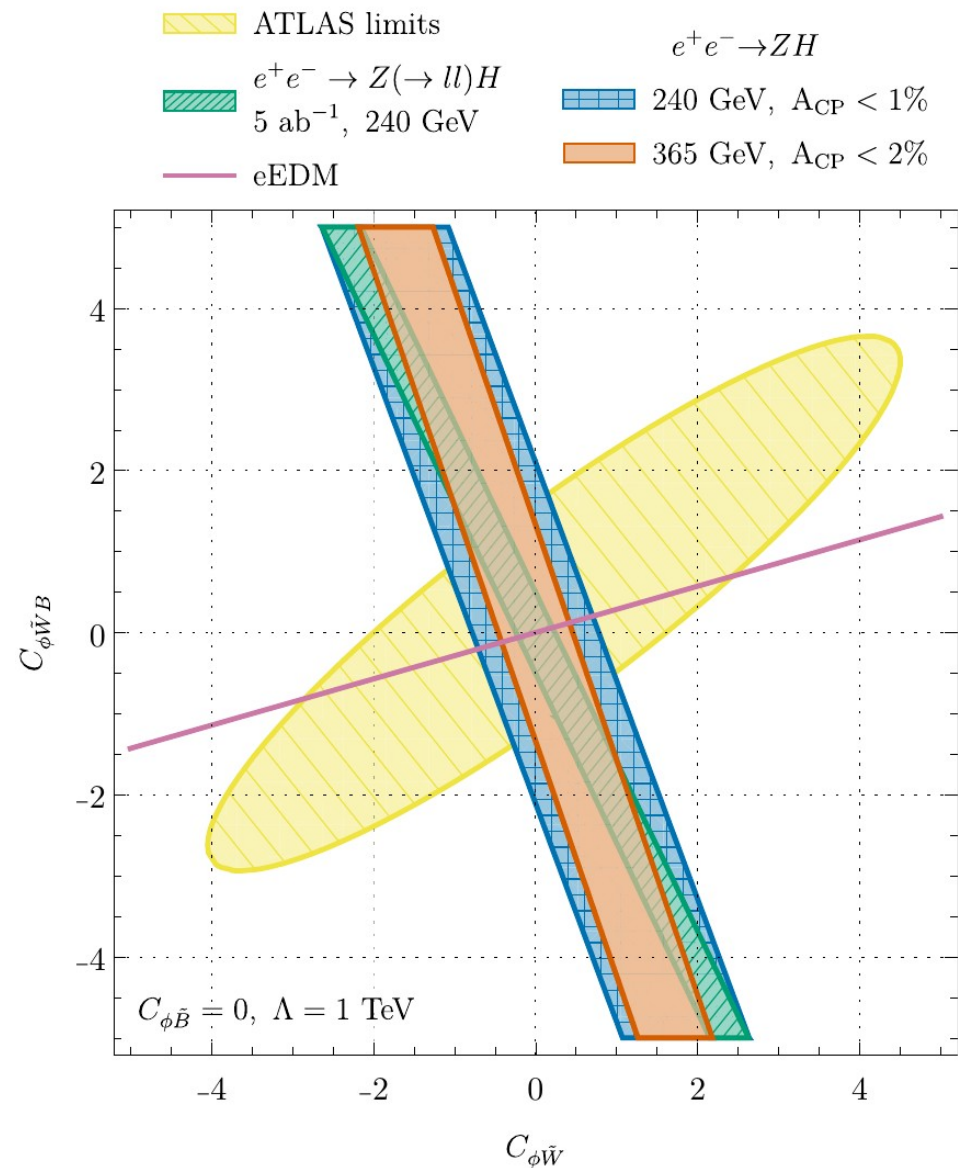


# CP Violation in Higgstrahlung

- Define CP violating asymmetry

$$A_{\text{CP}} = \frac{\sigma(\cos\theta < 0) - \sigma(\cos\theta > 0)}{\sigma_{\text{SM,NLO}}}$$

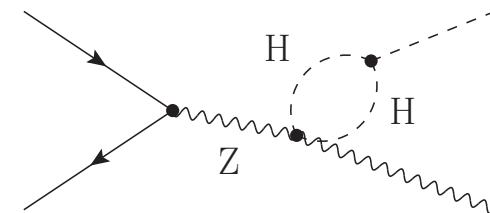
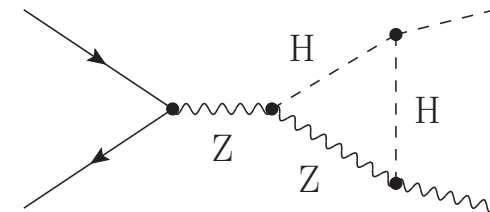
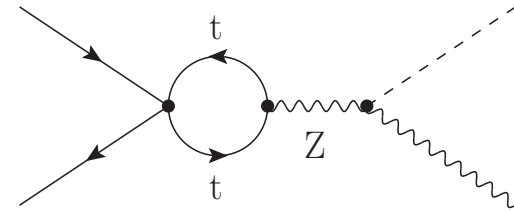
- Expected precision for the total cross section at FCC-ee might be as low as  $\sim 0.5\%$  at 240 GeV (365 GeV  $\sim 1\%$ )  
 $\rightarrow$  Assume half the precision
- Consider  $C_{\phi\tilde{W}}$  and  $C_{\phi\tilde{W}B}$  (other Wilson coefficients set to 0)
- Limits from  $H \rightarrow 4$  lepton decay at LHC [ATLAS, JHEP 05, 105 (2024)]
- Strong limits from electron electric dipole moment (eEDM) that also depends on SMEFT coefficients [ACME, Nature 562, 355 (2018)]
- Potential limits through angular observables [JHEP 03, 050 (2016)]



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# Higgs Tri-linear and Top Quark Couplings

- At NLO EW sensitive to Higgs tri-linear coupling and anomalous top-quark couplings through quantum corrections
- Well motivated by many models such as Higgs doublet or complex singlet models
- **First: Higgs tri-linear and 4-fermion coupling**
- Existing limits: Z-pole using LEP data  
[[JHEP 05, 208 \(2023\)](#)]
  - dependent on flavour assumptions:
    - Minimal flavour violation
    - Flavour-independent operators

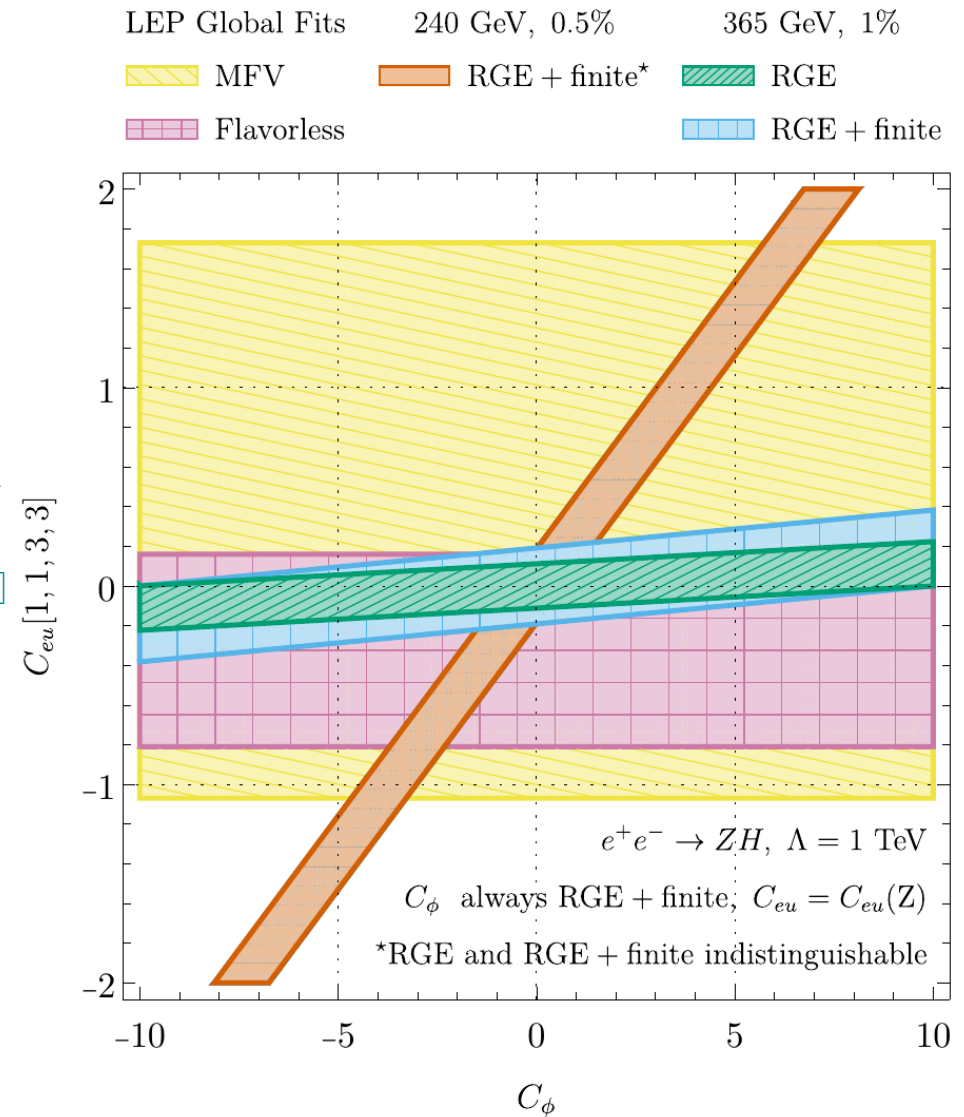


# Higgs Tri-linear and Top Quark Couplings

- Consider Higgs self-interaction  $C_\phi$  and electron-top 4-fermion operator  $C_{eu}[1, 1, 3, 3]$
- SMEFT Wilson coefficients are regulated in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  → Scale dependent contributions  $\bar{\Delta}_i$  can be obtained from RGE evolution [Jenkins, Manohar, Trott '13 '14; Alonso, Jenkins, Manohar, Trott '14]

$$\frac{\sigma_{\text{NLO}}}{\sigma_{\text{SM,NLO}}} = 1 + \sum_i \frac{C_i(\mu)}{\Lambda^2} \left\{ \Delta_i + \bar{\Delta}_i \log \frac{\mu^2}{s} \right\}$$

- Finite contributions  $\Delta_i$  only from exact higher order computations



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# Importance of finite contributions

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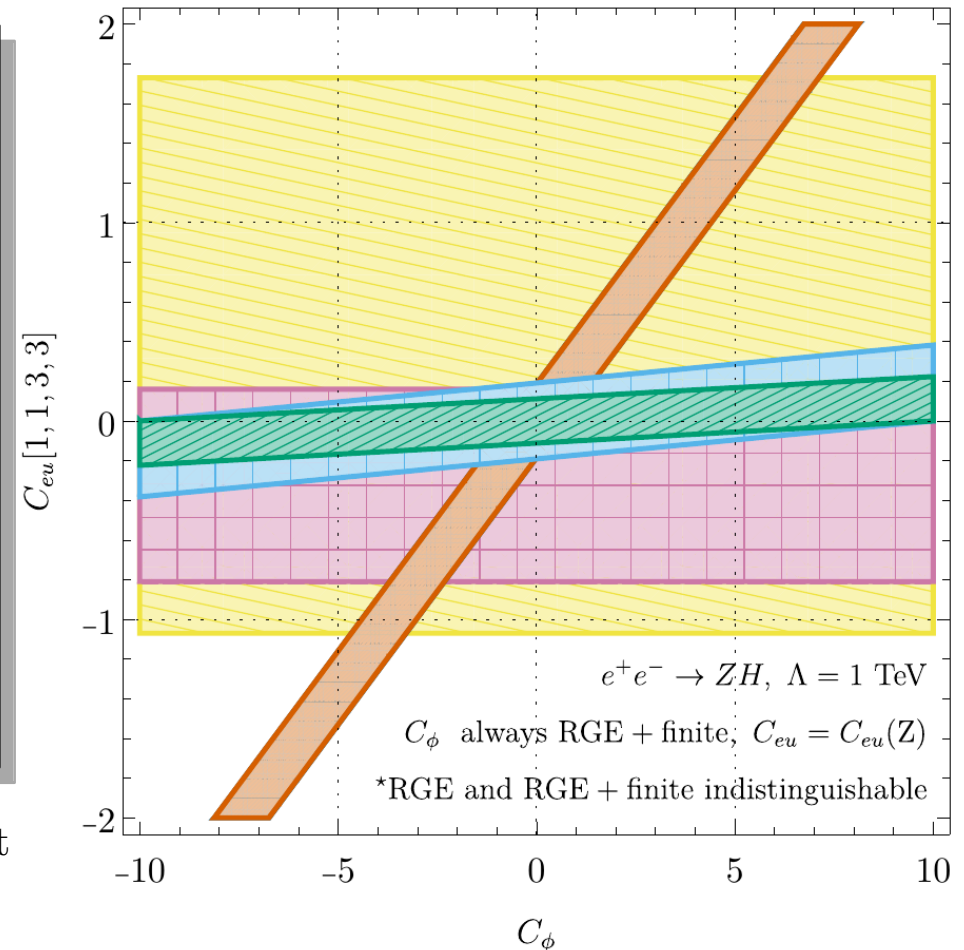
	$\sqrt{s} = 240 \text{ GeV}$		$\sqrt{s} = 365 \text{ GeV}$	
	$\Delta_i/\Lambda^2$	$\bar{\Delta}_i/\Lambda^2$	$\Delta_i/\Lambda^2$	$\bar{\Delta}_i/\Lambda^2$
$C_\phi$	$-7.22 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0	$-1.00 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0
$C_{uW}[3, 3]$	$-1.63 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.01 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.36 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.25 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$C_{uB}[3, 3]$	$0.15 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-2.22 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-2.96 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-3.20 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$C_{u\phi}[3, 3]$	$0.32 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0	$-1.09 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0
$C_{\phi q}^{(1)}[3, 3]$	$-1.34 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-4.10 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-4.39 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-4.31 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$C_{\phi q}^{(3)}[3, 3]$	$0.51 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.12 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.15 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$7.58 \cdot 10^{-4}$
$C_{\phi u}[3, 3]$	$-0.54 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.49 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$5.37 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.11 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$C_{eu}[1, 1, 3, 3]$	$0.01 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$-1.39 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-3.73 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-3.23 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$C_{lu}[1, 1, 3, 3]$	$-0.02 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.73 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.64 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.01 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$C_{lq}^{(1)}[1, 1, 3, 3]$	$-0.37 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-1.80 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-6.09 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$-4.18 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$C_{lq}^{(3)}[1, 1, 3, 3]$	$-0.37 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.29 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.54 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3.29 \cdot 10^{-2}$
$C_{qe}[3, 3, 1, 1]$	$0.30 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.45 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.90 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3.36 \cdot 10^{-2}$

- Whether RGE contribution is sufficient or not hugely depends on energy
- **Measurement at two energy scales complementary**

LEP Global Fits      240 GeV, 0.5%      365 GeV, 1%

MFV      RGE + finite\*      RGE

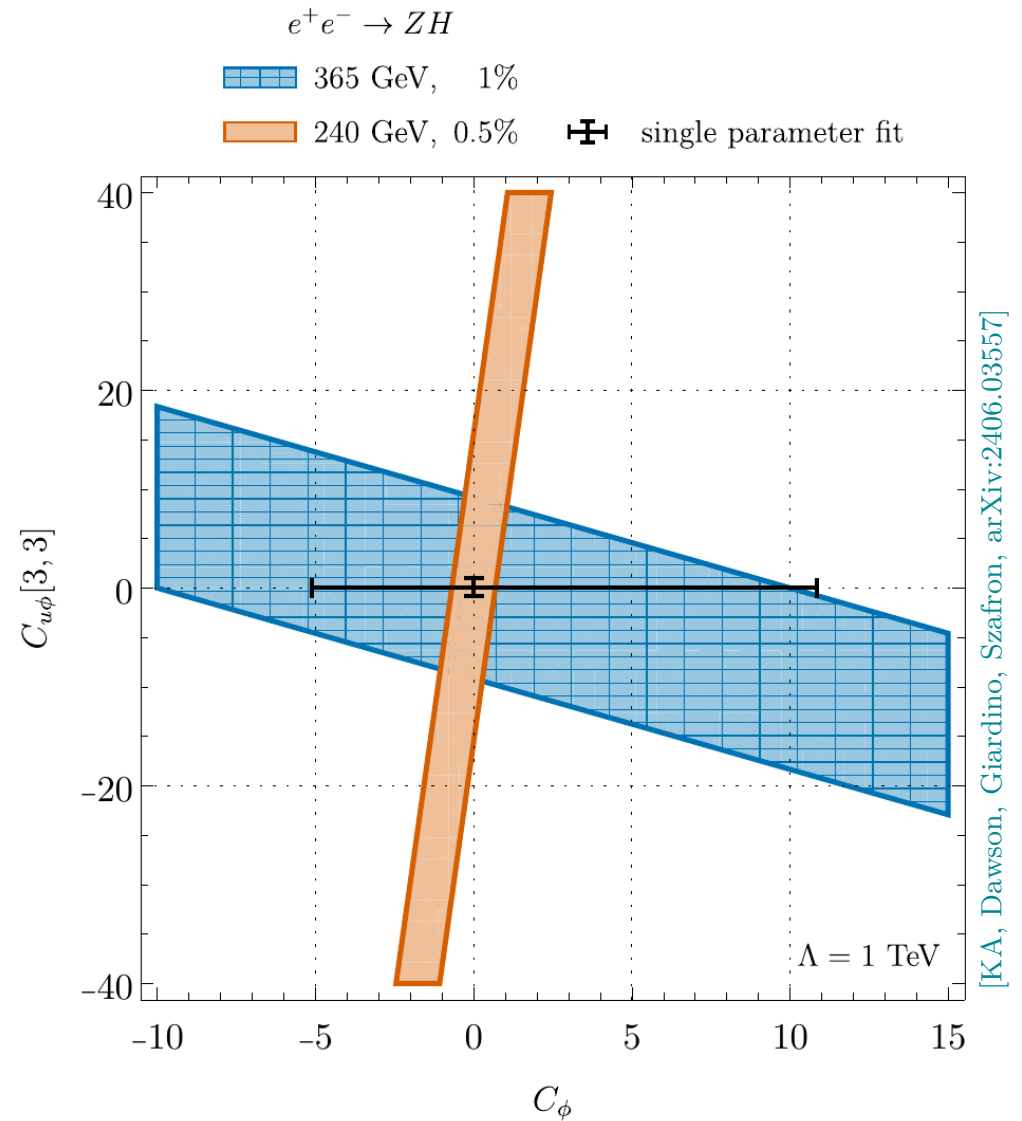
Flavorless      RGE + finite



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- Single parameter limits from global fit to LHC Higgs data [JHEP 04, 279 (2021)] and HH searches [ATLAS, arXiv:2404.05498]
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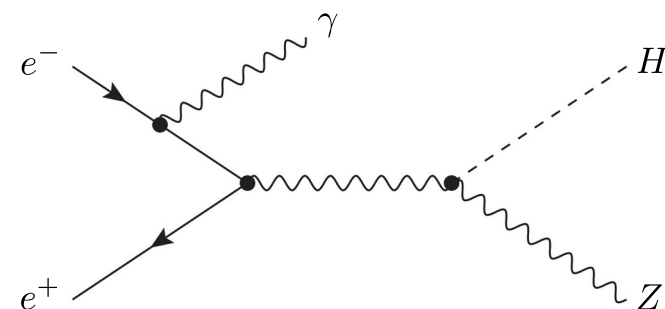


# Conclusion

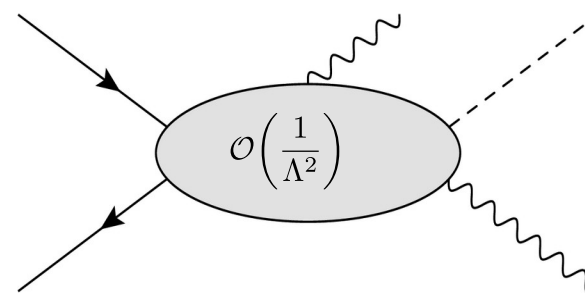
- First complete SMEFT computation at NLO EW
- Studied the potential of a future lepton collider (specifically FCC-ee) to measure potential BSM effects in
  - CP violation
  - Higgs self-interactions
  - Anomalous top-quark interactions
- Although these appear first at NLO EW Higgstrahlung can be a sensitive probe for new physics scenarios
- There is a particularly huge potential in the combination of measurements at different energies

# Outlook: Real corrections in the SM and SMEFT (future study)

- In the SM collinear regions logarithmically enhanced
  - No huge effect e.g. for azimuthal angle between H and Z largely different than  $\pi$  (in COM frame of hard collision)

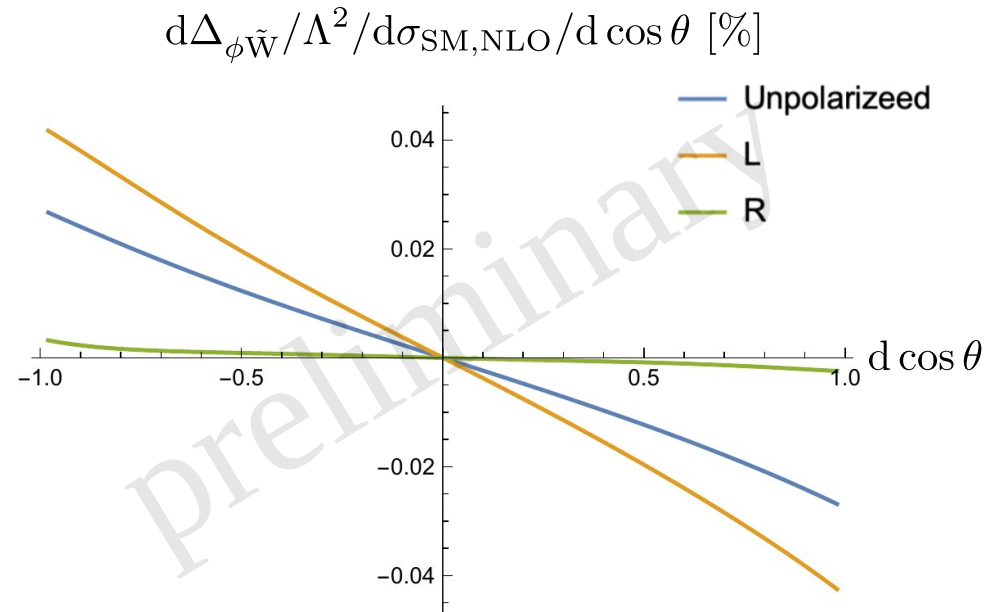


- In SMEFT additional scales cancel collinear enhancement
  - Higher order SMEFT corrections might be more homogeneous in phase space of radiation?



# Outlook: More to come ...

- Closer look at operators already present at LO
- Investigate potential of polarized beams
- ...



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