

Top-quark pair production as a probe of light top-philic scalars and anomalous Higgs interactions

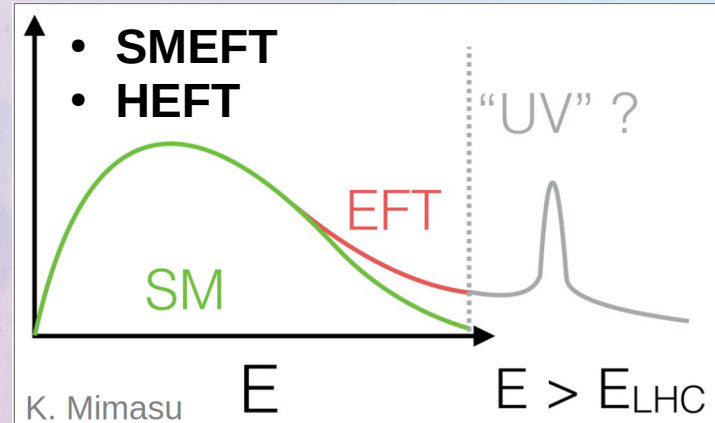
Mainly Based on:

[Maltoni, Pagani, ST 2406.06694, JHEP 09 (2024) 098]

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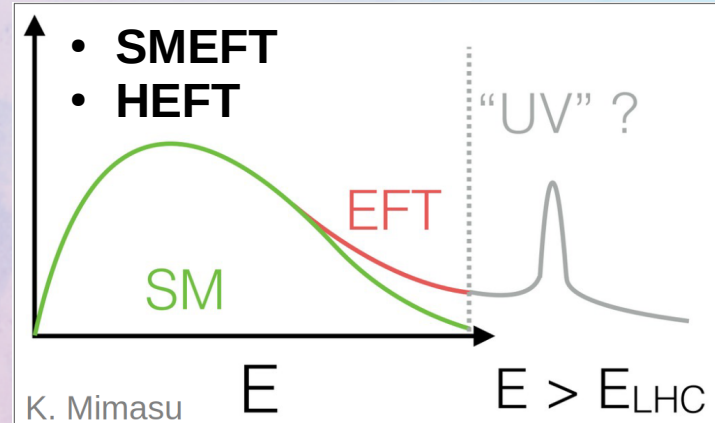
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THIS TALK!

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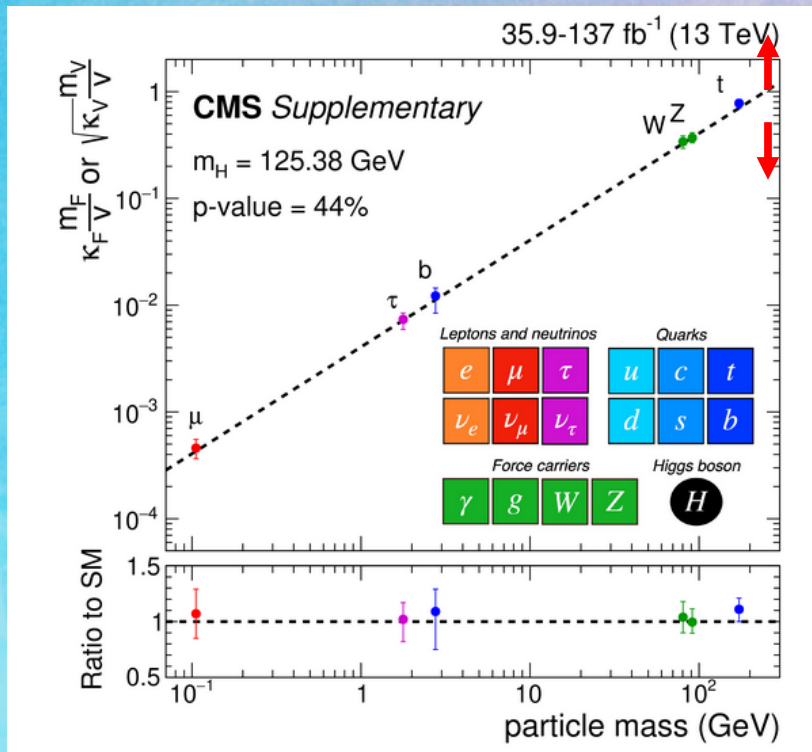
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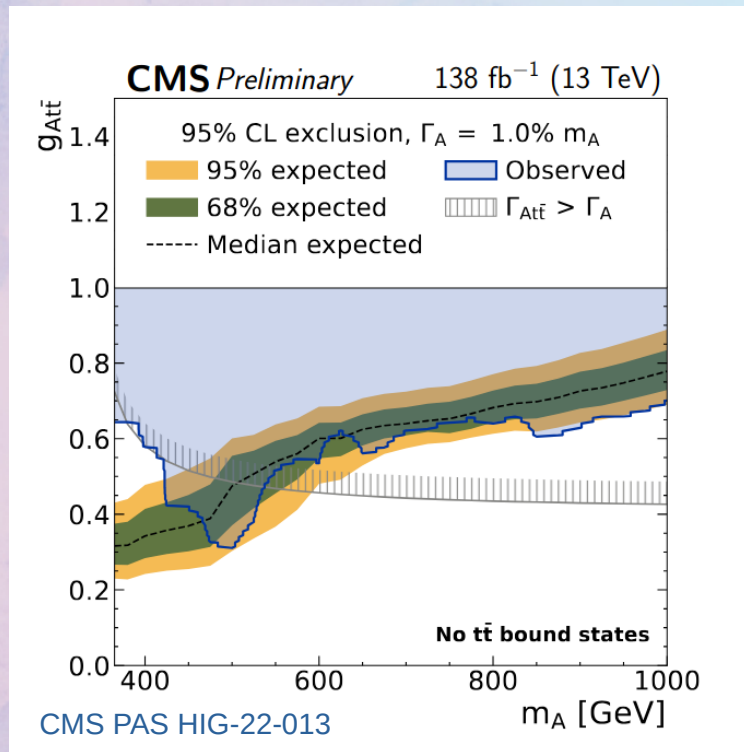
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New Physics, where to look?

- Deviation in SM parameters



- New States

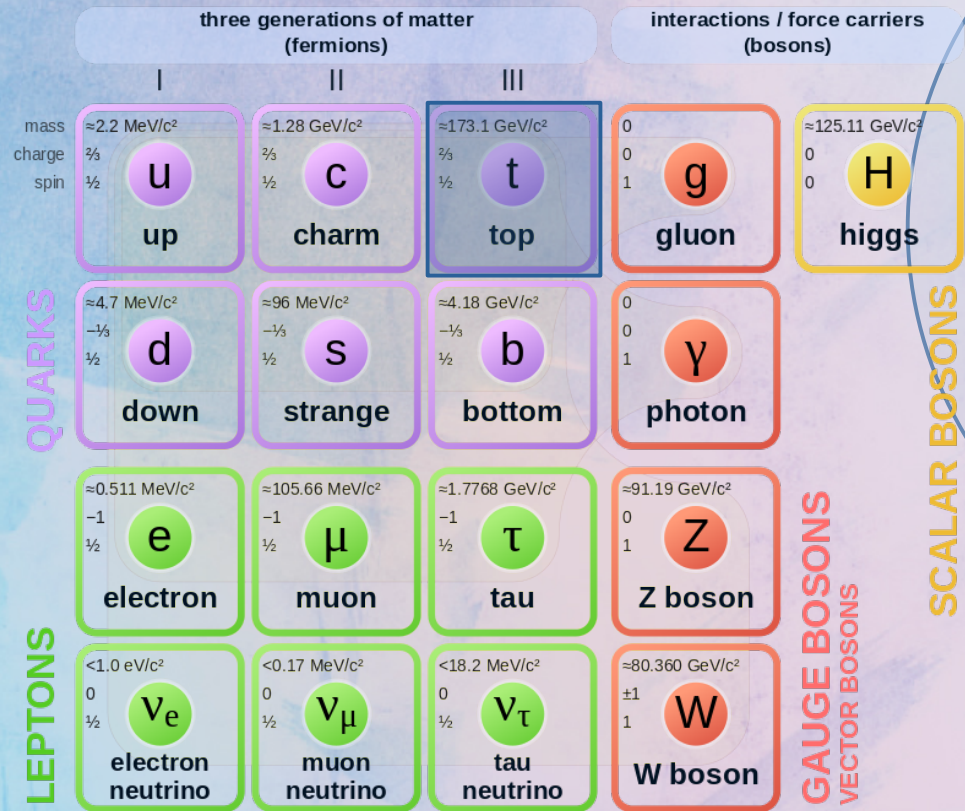


Top quark

NP Portal:

- Heaviest quark
- Models with mass hierarchical couplings

Standard Model of Elementary Particles



Lot of statistics

$t\bar{t}$ number of events:

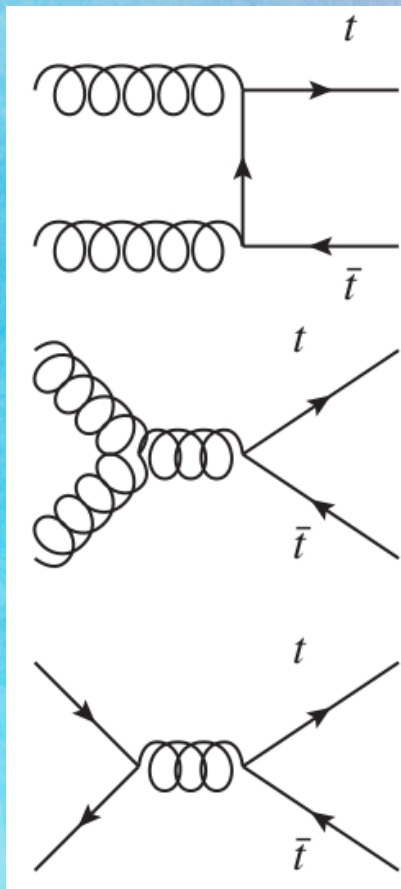
- Run1: $2.7^{+3.8^2}$ mln
- Run2: 152^3 mln
- Run3: 251^4 mln
- HL-LHC⁵: 3.1 bln

$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 1:179.6 \text{ pb } 2:256\text{pb } 3:833.9\text{pb } 4,5:926\text{pb}$
 NNLO-NNLL Top++v2.0

Accessible Differential Kinematical Distributions

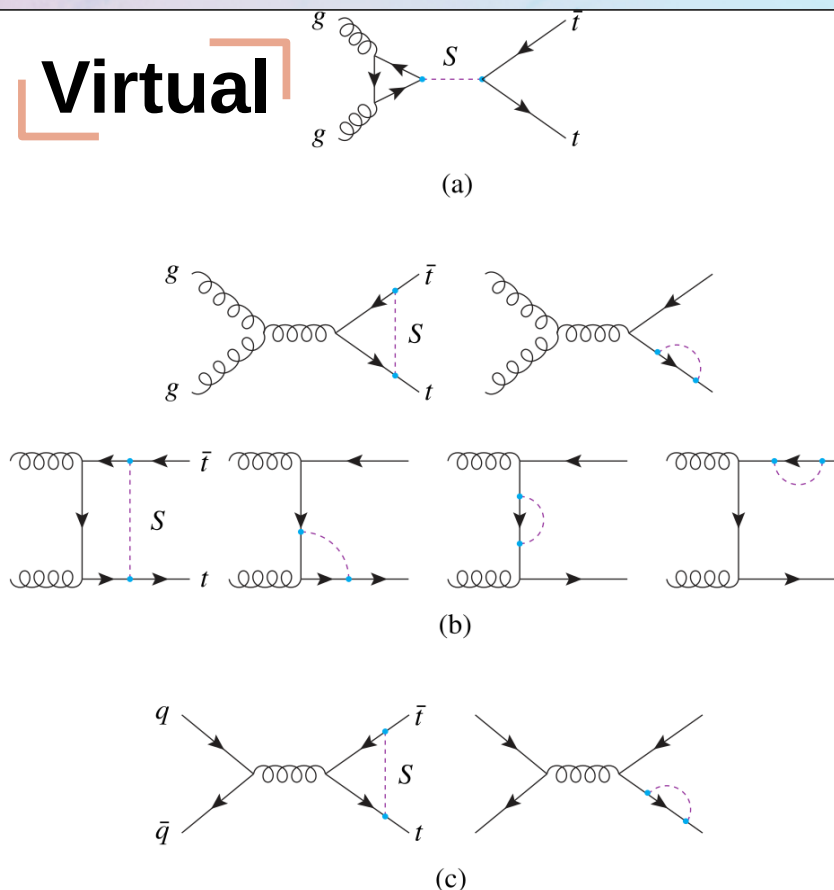
- Invariant mass
- Top trasverse momentum
- Rapidity difference

Which processes?

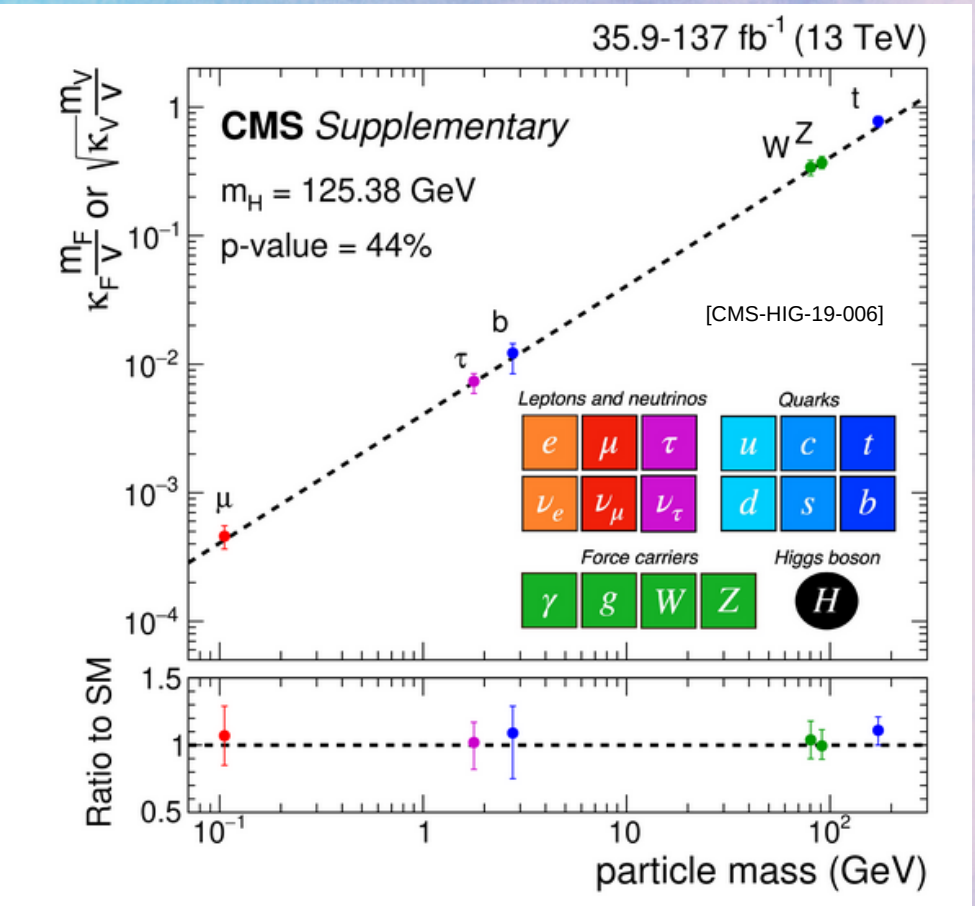


SM:

- **NNLOQCD**
- **NLOEW**



The SM Higgs



- Higgs-fermion couplings in SM uniquely depend on:
 - m_f
 - Higgs vev (v)

$$y_f = \frac{\sqrt{2}m_f}{v}$$

- NP can modify SM couplings in many ways

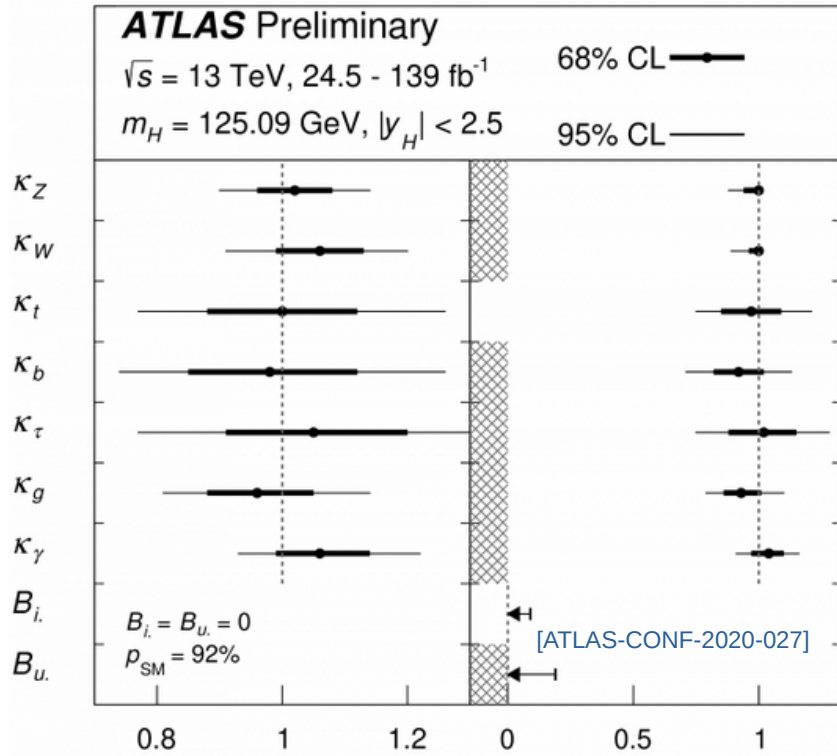


Anomalous Higgs coupling

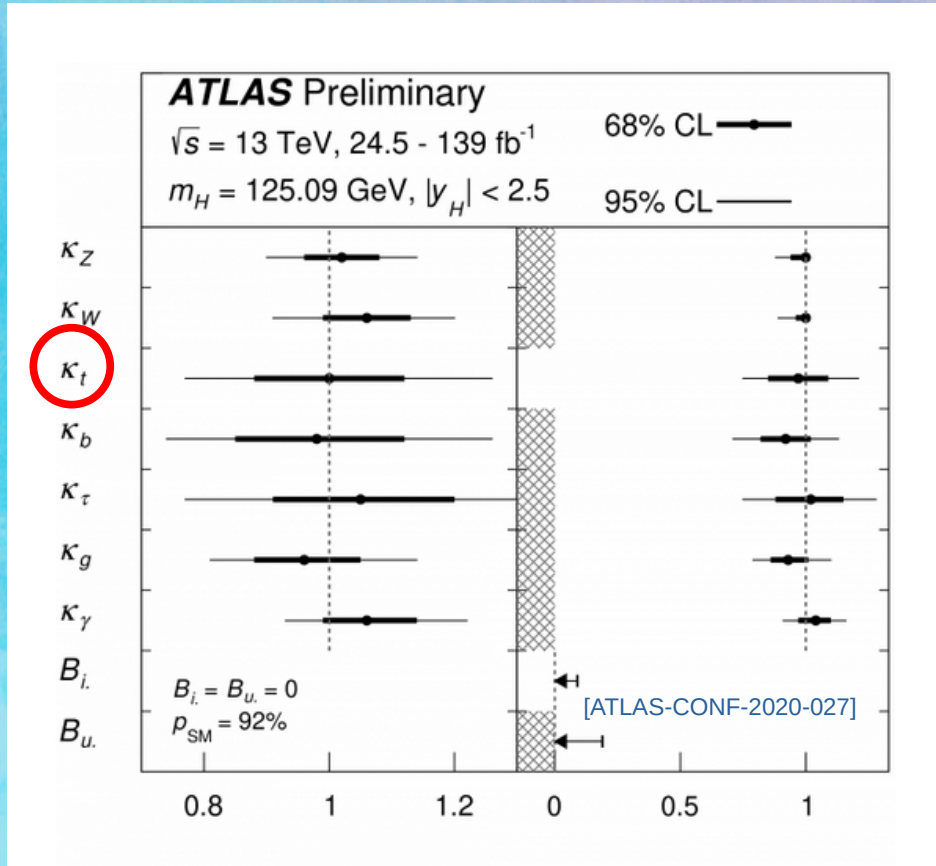
The Kappa Framework

- Dress SM cross-section and partial decay width with scale factor κ

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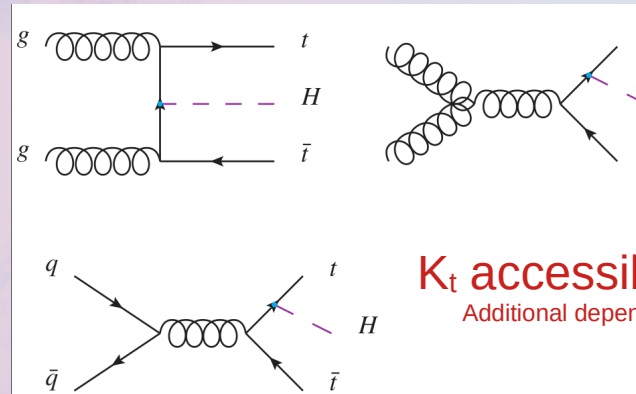


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κ_t accessible in $t\bar{t}H$
 Additional dependencies in H decay

Higgs-Top modified couplings

$$\mathcal{L}_H = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{t} \left[\underbrace{y_t}_{\text{CP-EVEN}} + i \underbrace{\tilde{y}_t \gamma_5}_{\text{CP-ODD}} \right] t H$$

$$\begin{cases} \kappa_t = \frac{y_t}{y_t^{\text{SM}}} , \\ \tilde{\kappa}_t = \frac{\tilde{y}_t}{y_t^{\text{SM}}} \end{cases} \longrightarrow$$

SM:

- $\kappa_t=1$ ($y_t=m_t/v$)
- $\tilde{\kappa}_t=0$.

$$\sigma_{H,NP} = (\kappa_t^2 - 1) \bar{\sigma}_{\kappa_t} + \tilde{\kappa}_t^2 \bar{\sigma}_{\tilde{\kappa}_t}$$

y_t from $t\bar{t}$: Experiments

Measurement of the top quark Yukawa coupling from $t\bar{t}$ kinematic distributions in the lepton+jets final state in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

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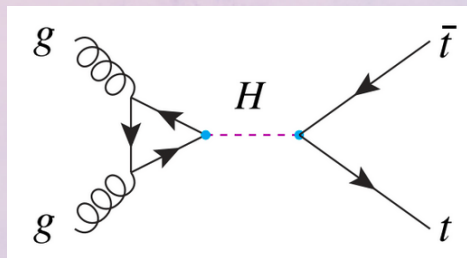
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total of 55 bins in $M_{t\bar{t}}$, $|\Delta y_{t\bar{t}}|$, and the number of reconstructed jets. The measured value of Y_t is $1.07^{+0.34}_{-0.43}$, compared to an expected value of $1.00^{+0.35}_{-0.48}$. The observed upper limit on Y_t is 1.67 at 95% confidence level (CL), with an expected value of 1.62.

antiquark are sensitive to the value of Y_t . The measurement yields a best fit value of $Y_t = 1.16^{+0.24}_{-0.35}$, bounding $Y_t < 1.54$ at a 95% confidence level.

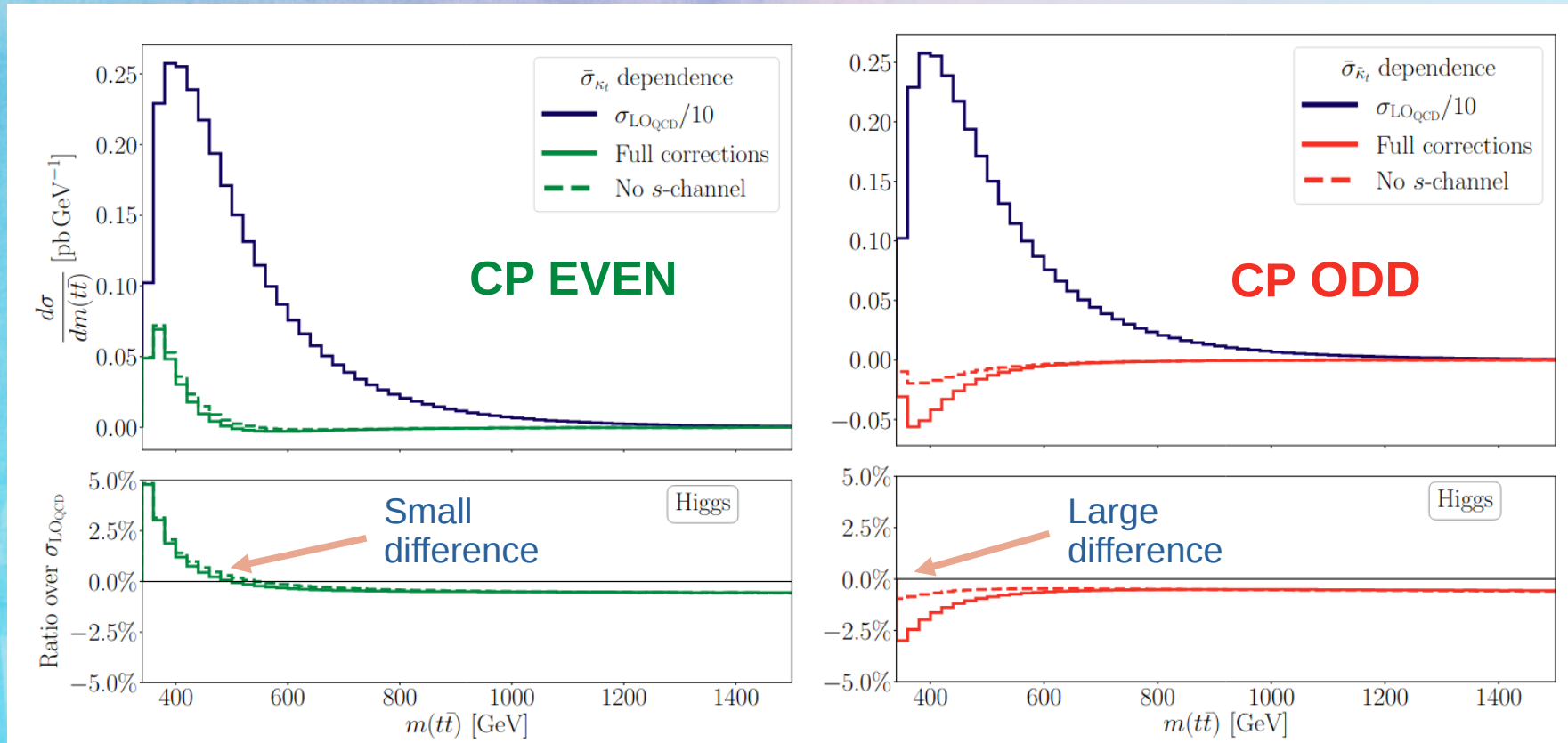
Theory prediction:

- HATHOR (Aliev et al. '10)
- Complemented with CP-odd Higgs interaction from [2104.04277]

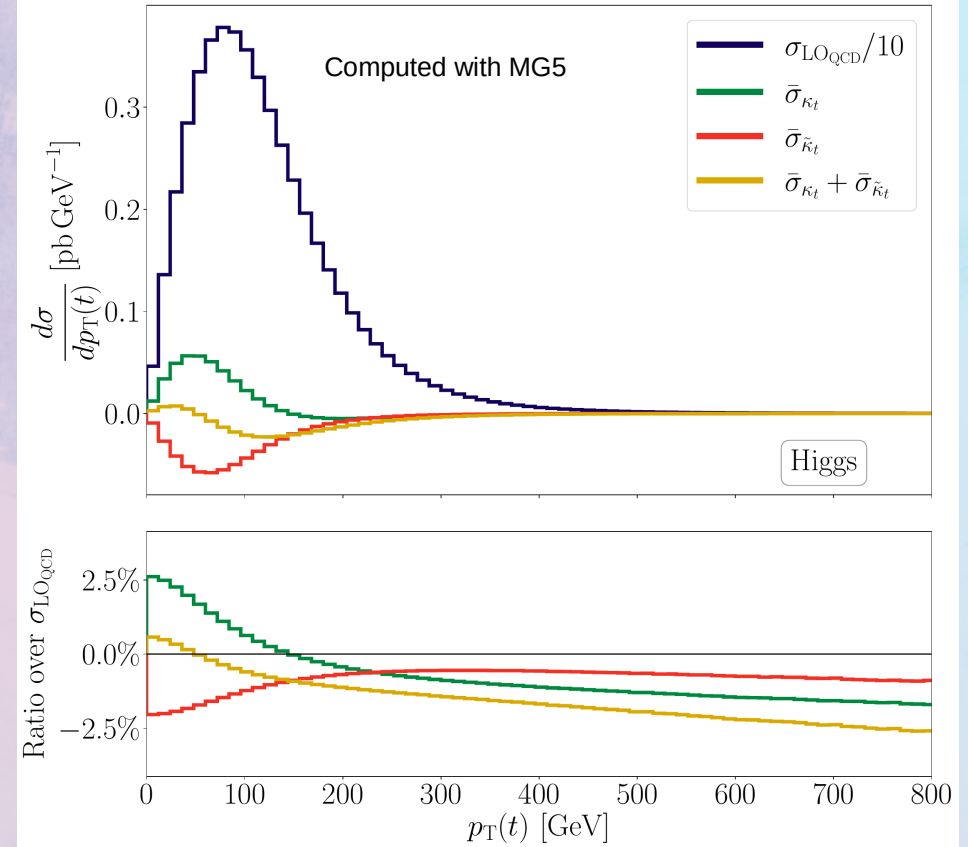
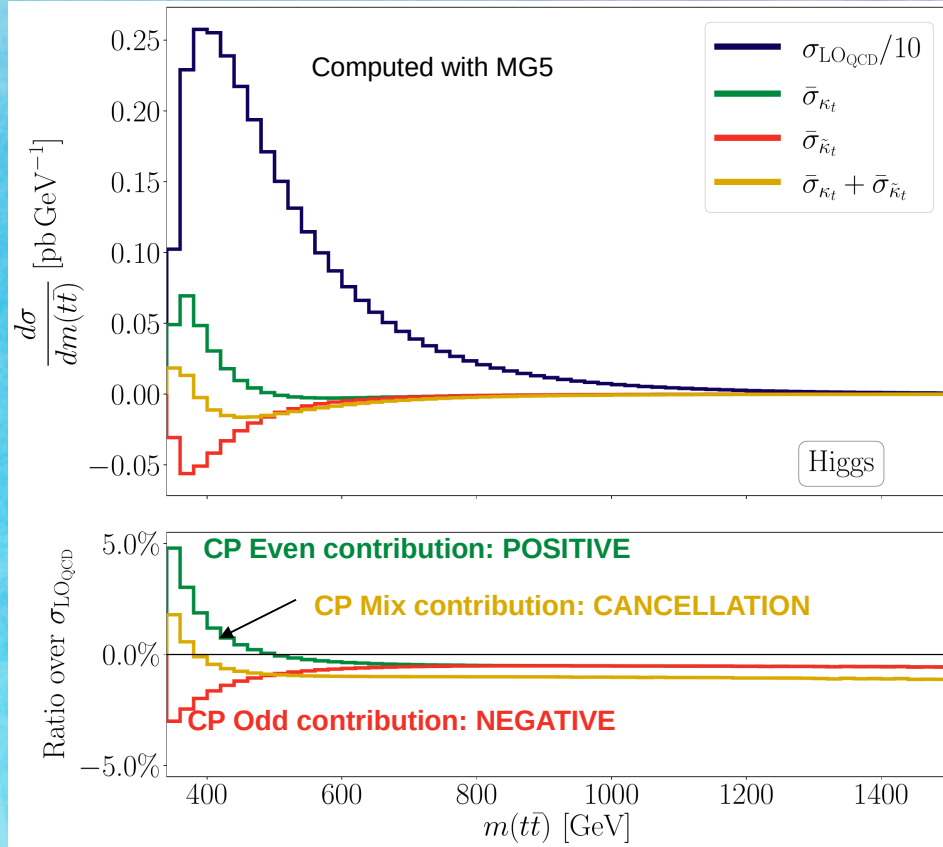


Omitted in the theoretical calculation

S-channel contribution



Distributions



Fit: 1 parameter CP Even

FIT INFO:

- Data: SM
- Baseline: SM without Higgs
- Errors and Bins: [CMS: 1803.08856]

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM, no Higgs}} - \frac{y_t}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{t}tH$$

	$+1\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma$ κ_t $-1\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma$	$+1\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma$ $\tilde{\kappa}_t$ $-1\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma$
SM _{mult} LHC	1.00 ^{+0.28, 0.52, 0.72} _{-0.41, 1.0, 1.0}	0.0 ^{+0.59, 1.05, 1.43} _{-0.59, 1.06, 1.44}

By Construction

By "Magic"

Fit: 1 parameter CP Odd

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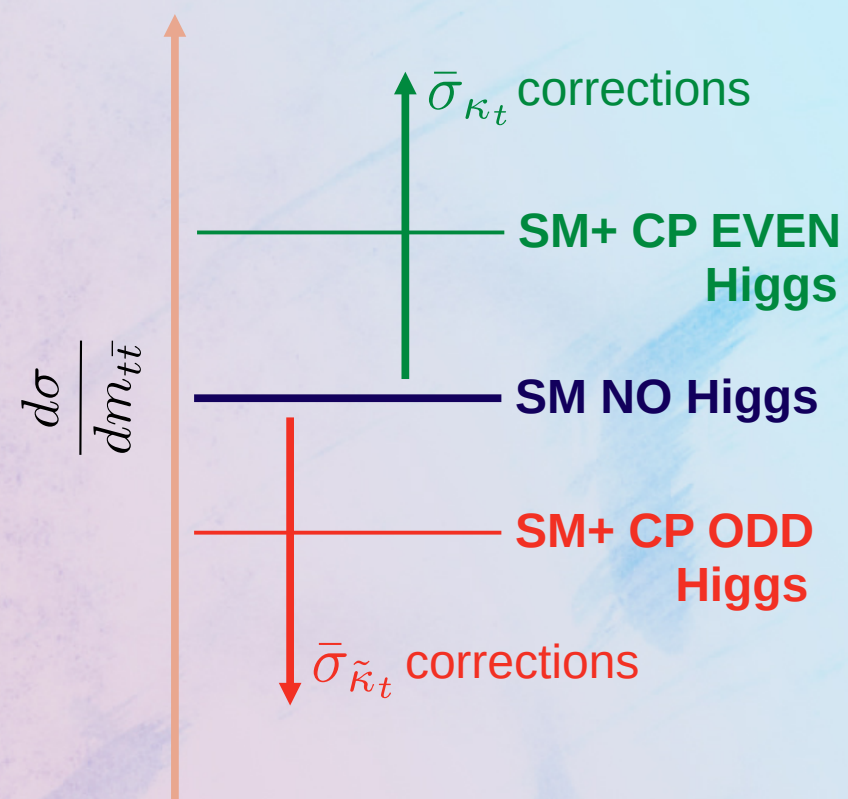
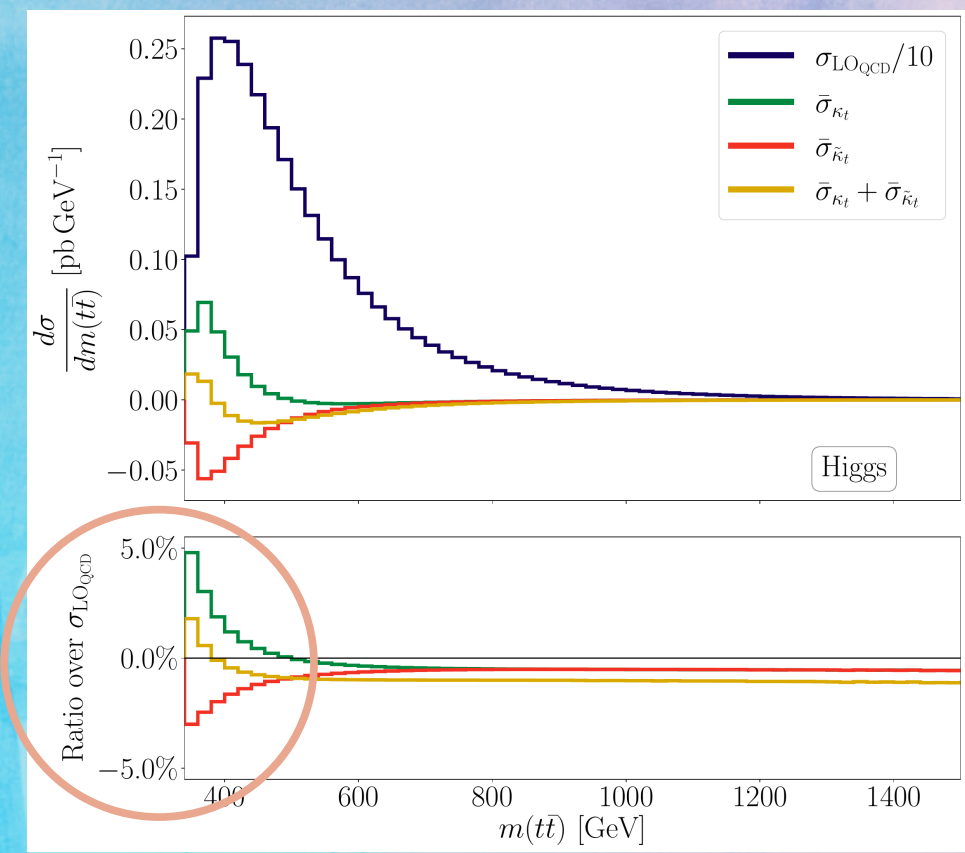
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	κ_t $^{+1\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma}$ $_{-1\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma}$	$\tilde{\kappa}_t$ $^{+1\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma}$ $_{-1\sigma, 2\sigma, 3\sigma}$
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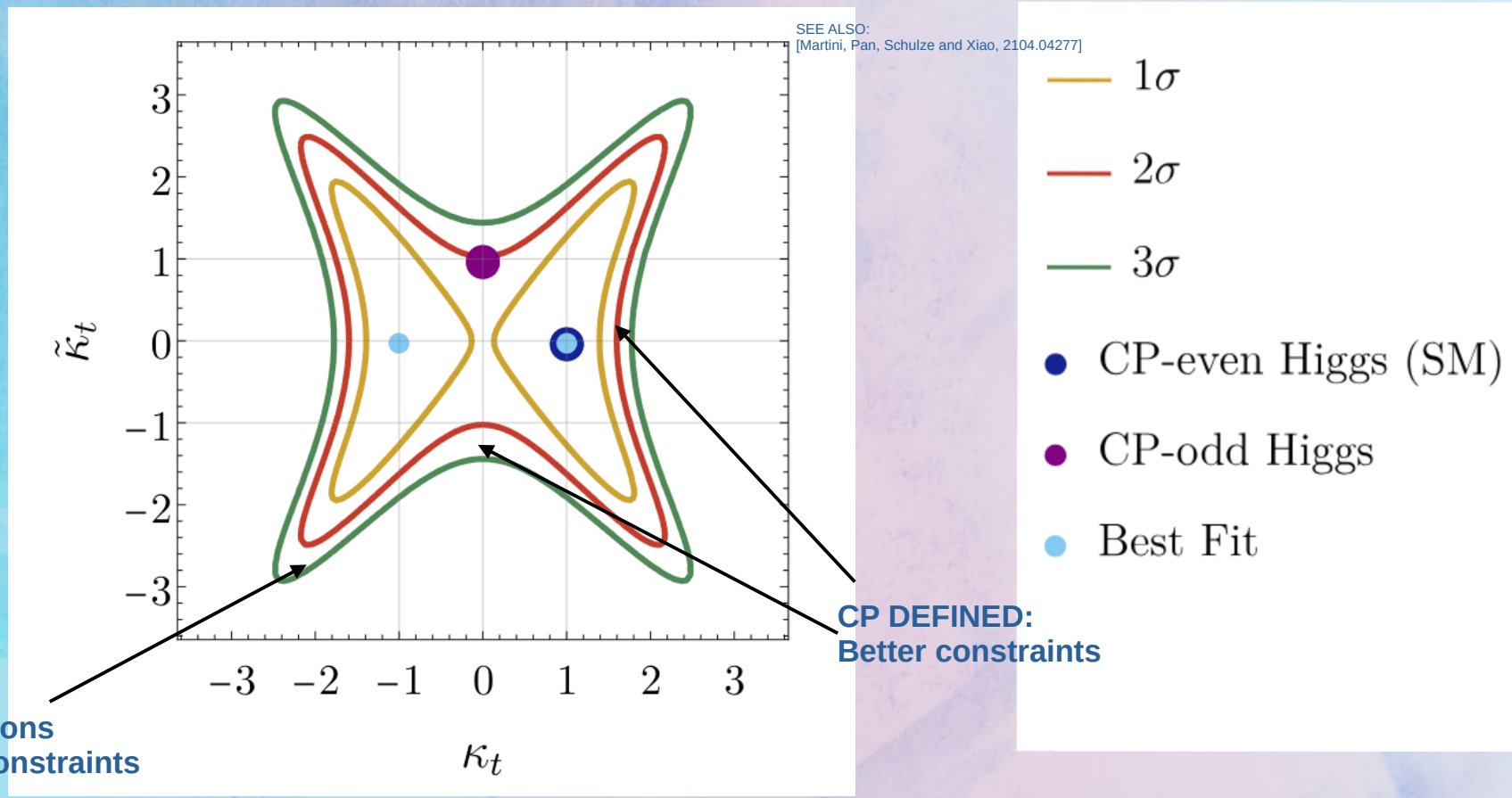
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By Construction

Fit: CP Even or CP Odd

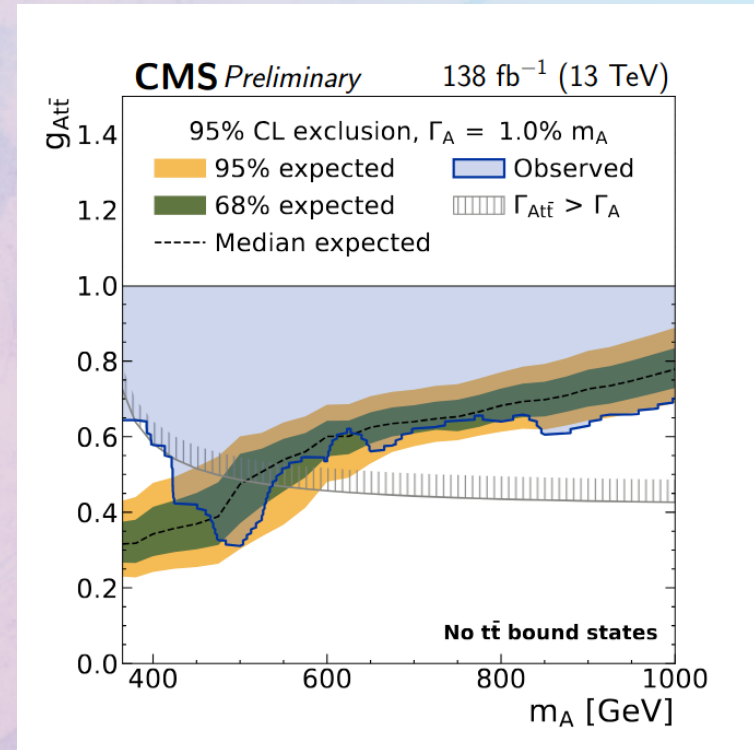
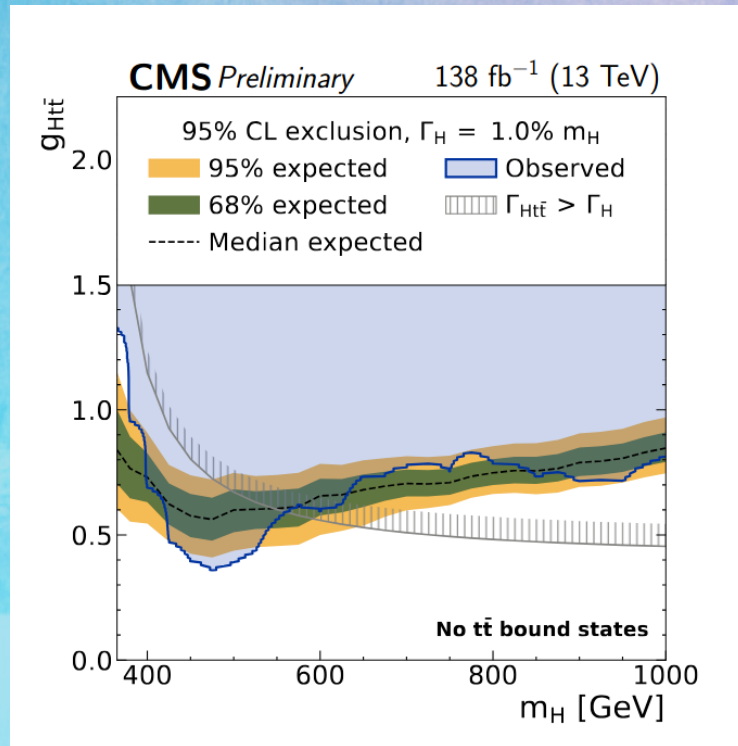


Fit: 2 parameters



CP MIX:
Cancellations
weaken constraints

Top-philic Scalar and Pseudoscalars



The Model

$$\mathcal{L}_{NP} = -\bar{t}(c_t + i\tilde{c}_t\gamma_5)tS$$

CP-EVEN

CP-ODD

Generic Scalar
State

Induced corrections to top-pair production

$$\sigma_{NP} = \bar{\sigma}_{c_t} c_t^2 + \bar{\sigma}_{\tilde{c}_t} \tilde{c}_t^2 + \bar{\sigma}_{c_t \tilde{c}_t} c_t \tilde{c}_t$$

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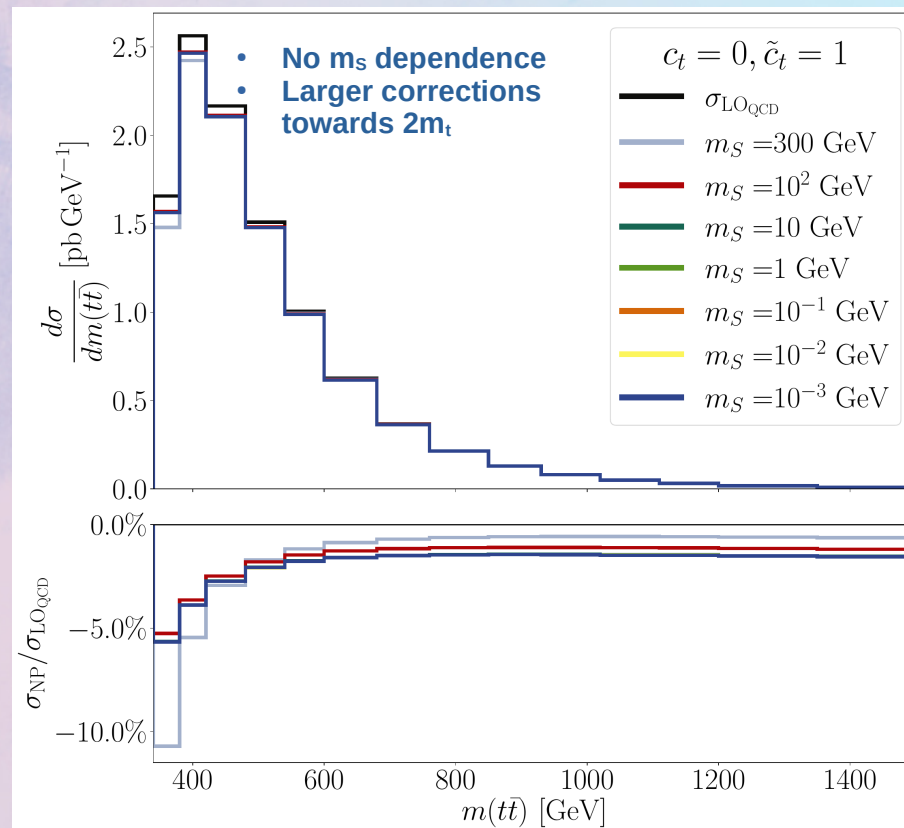
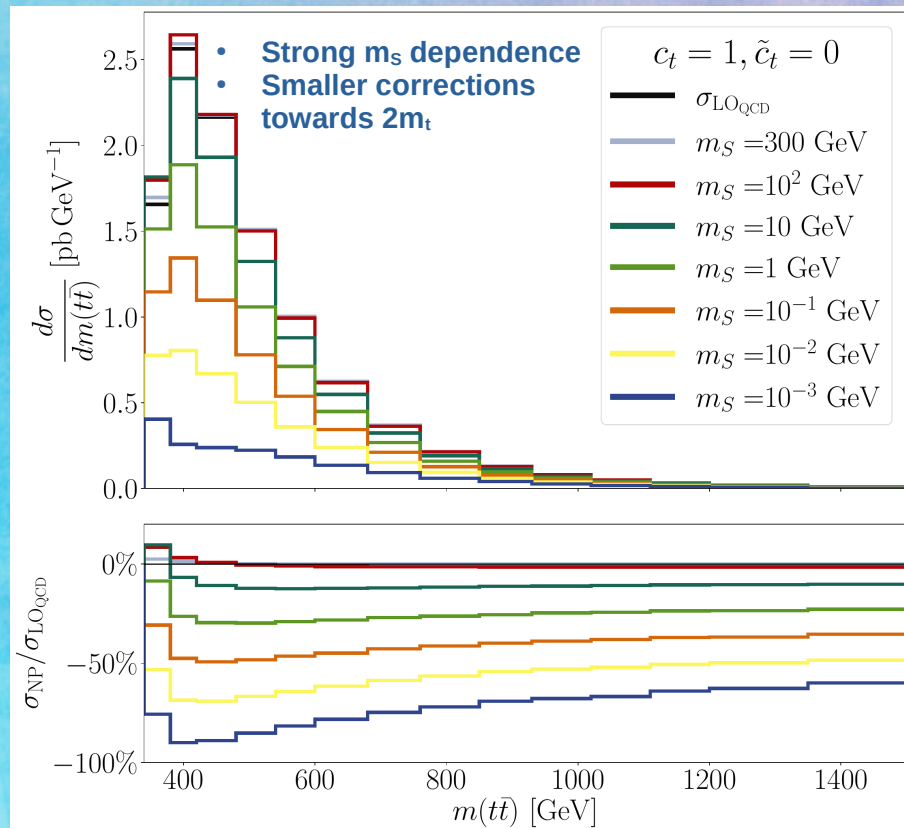
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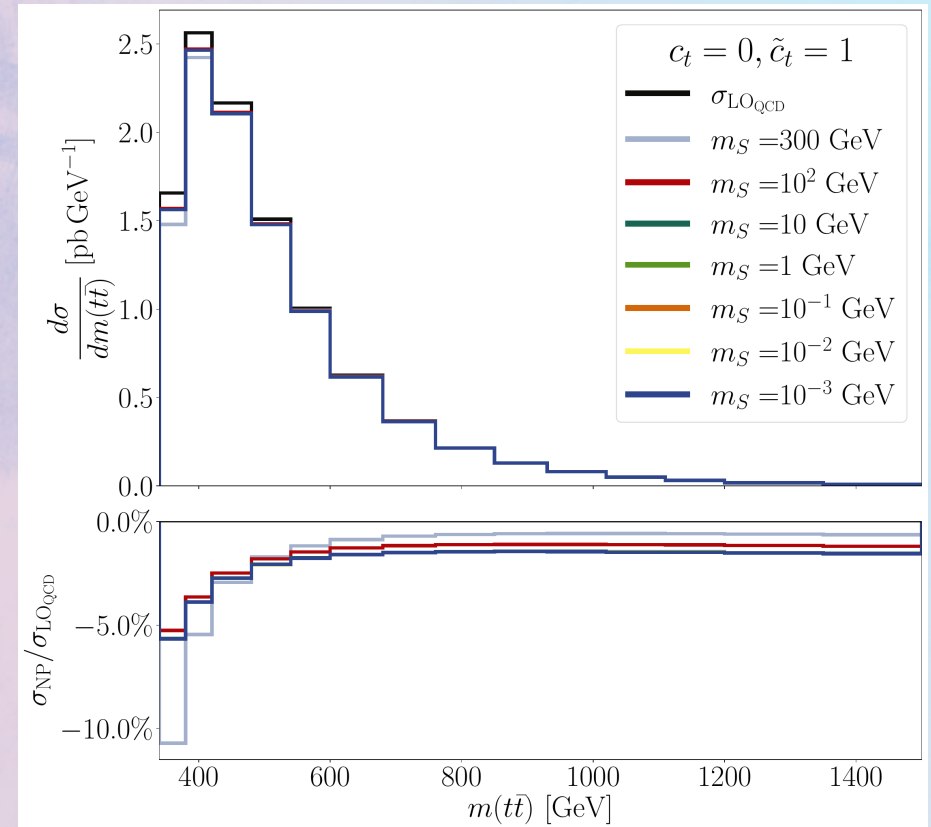
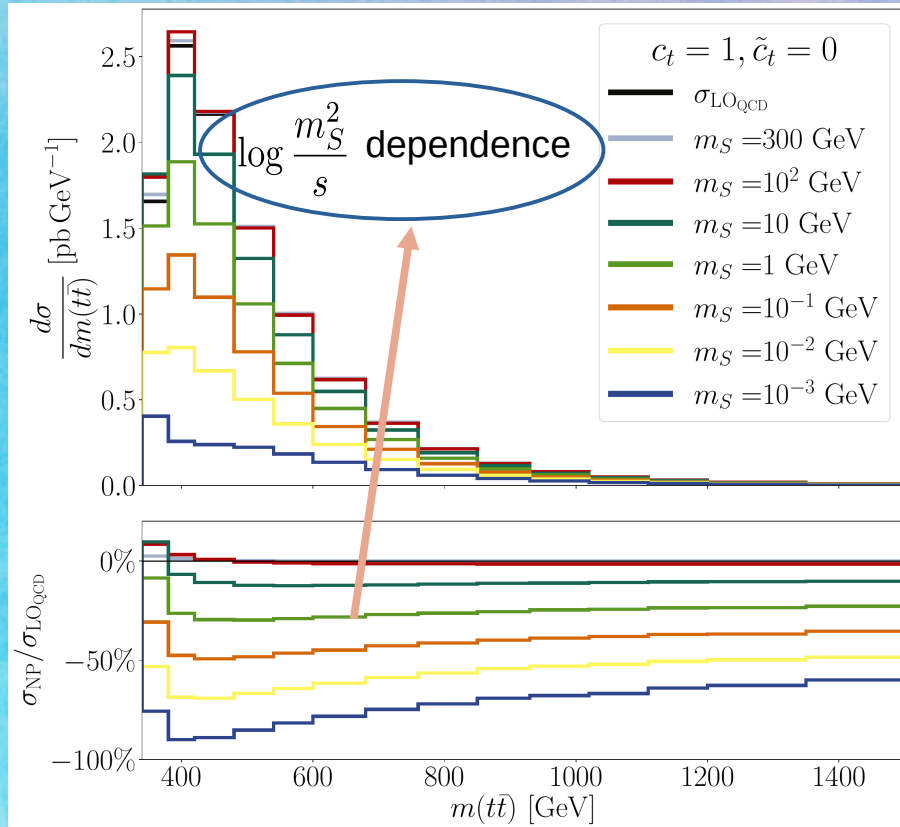
ZERO

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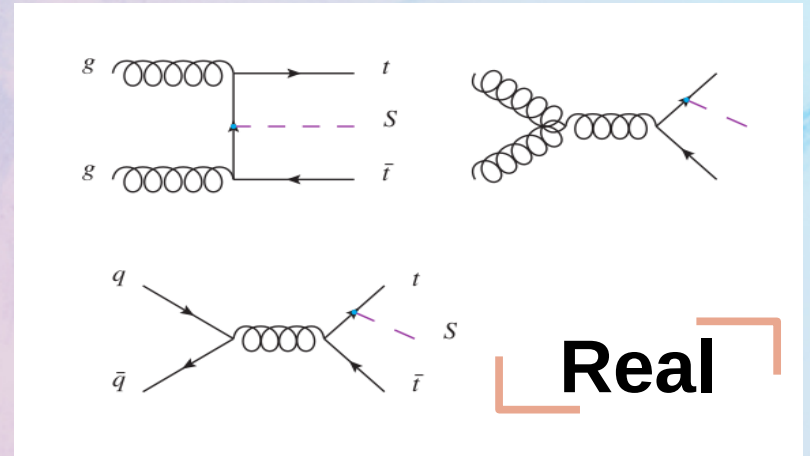
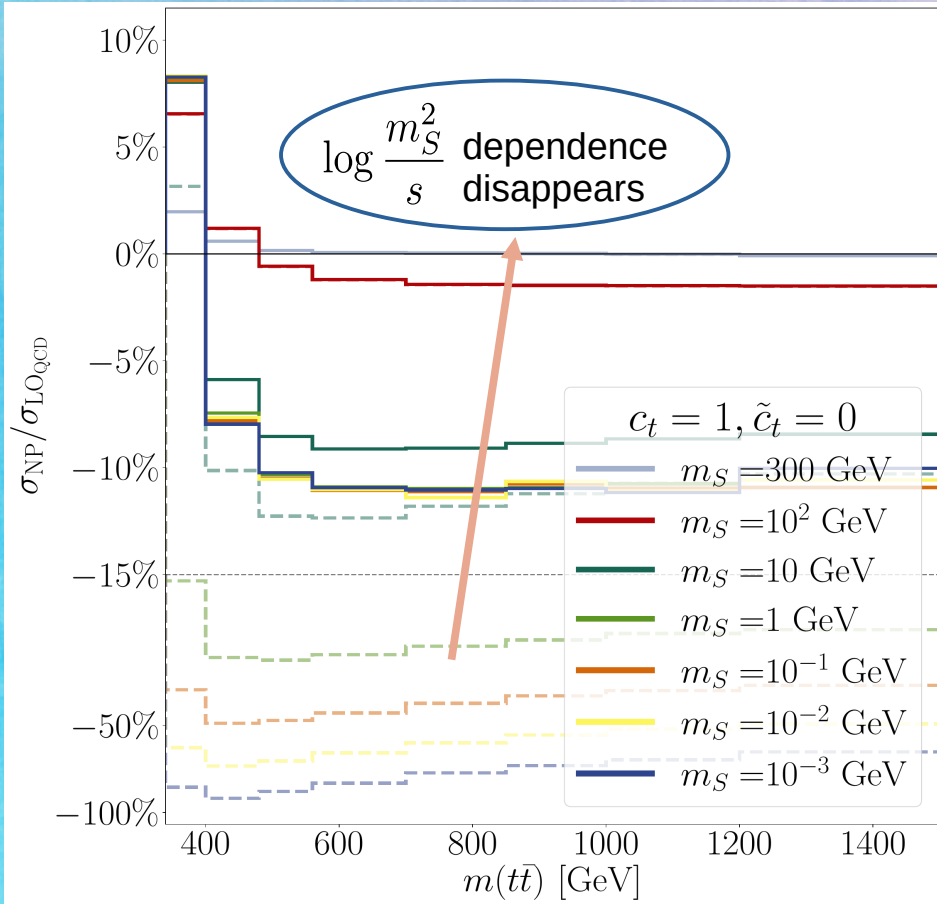
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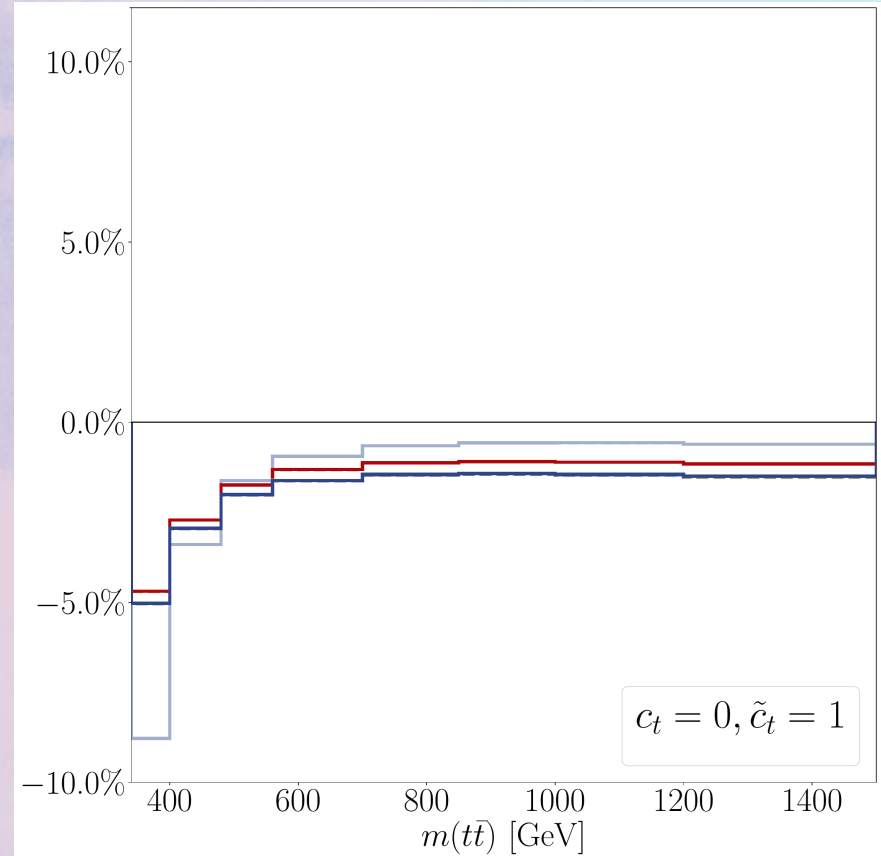
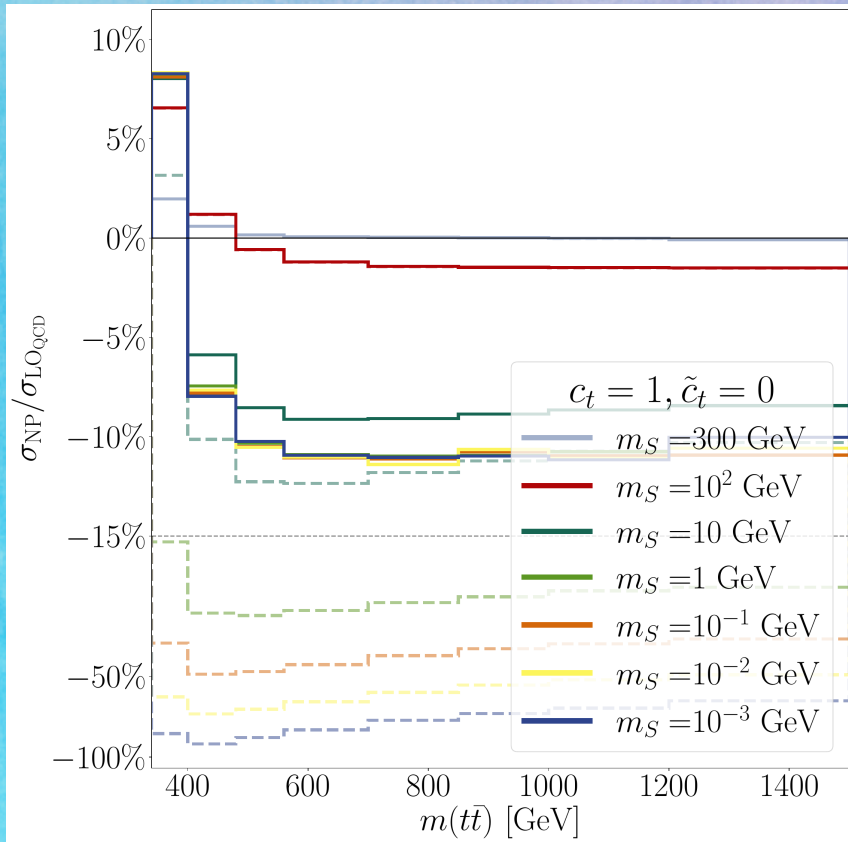
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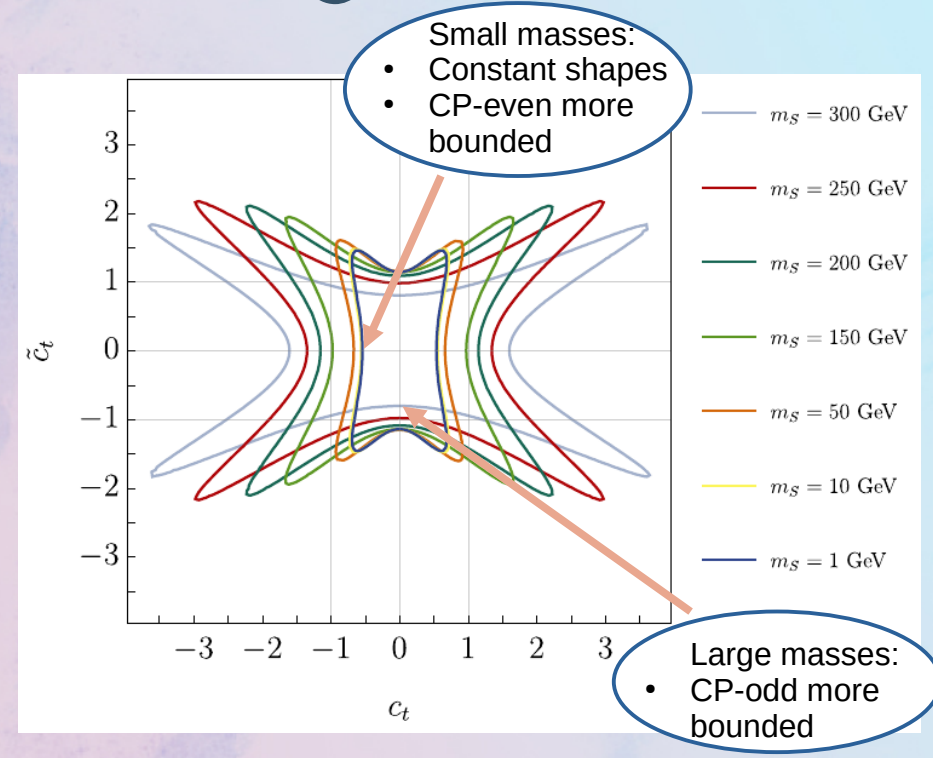
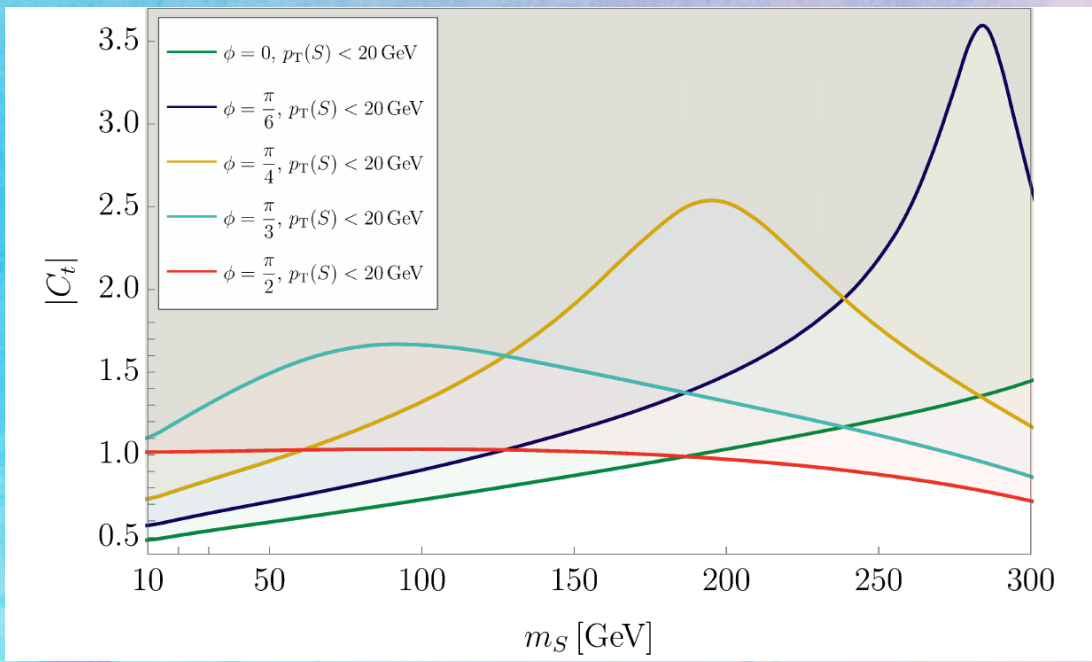
Adding the real



Adding the real



Mixing the couplings



BONUS:

Toponium or Pseudoscalar?

Search for heavy pseudoscalar and scalar bosons decaying
to top quark pairs in proton-proton collisions at
 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$

The CMS Collaboration

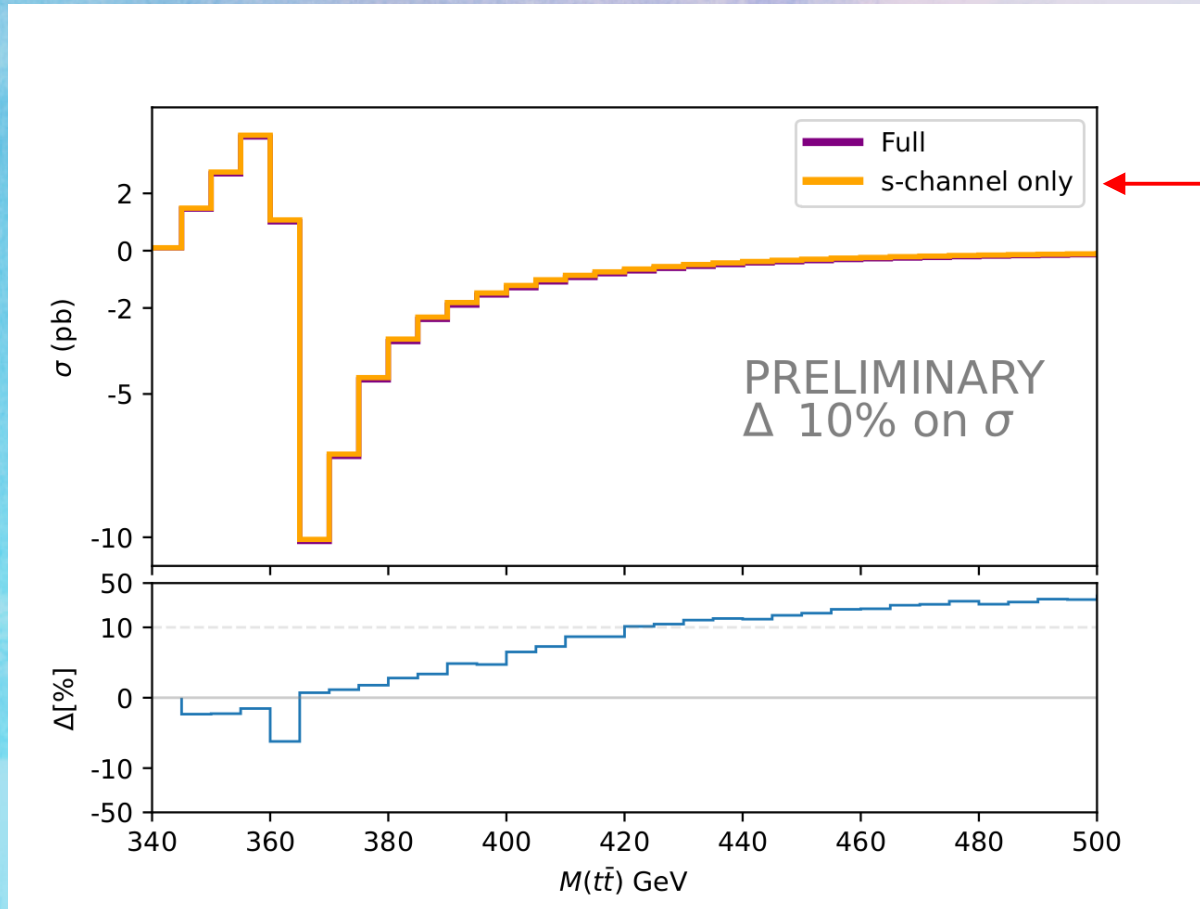
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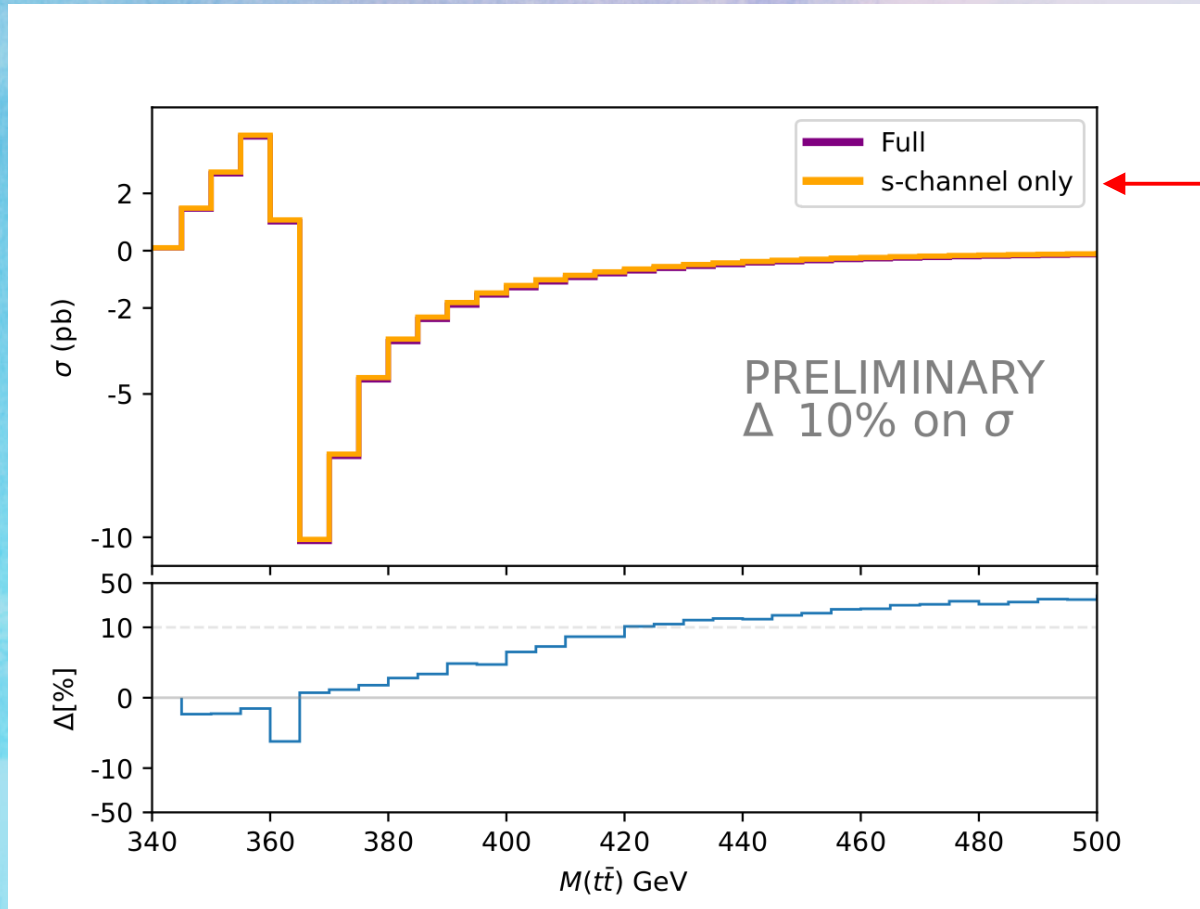
- **Excess in the threshold region**
- **Pseudoscalar hypothesis favored over Scalar**
- **Toponium (η_t) or New Pseudoscalar solve the tension**

Pseudoscalar full virtual corrections



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Pseudoscalar full virtual corrections



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Full virtual corrections
could help disentangle
toponium VS pseudoscalar?

Conclusions

Thanks for the attention

NP Virtual Corrections to top-pair production

For the future:

- FCC-ee y_t
- Top decay CP information

Powerful tool to constrain NP

No specific decay assumptions

Can unveil elsewasy elusive particles

ALP

Additional Scalars

Can be use to fit SM parameters

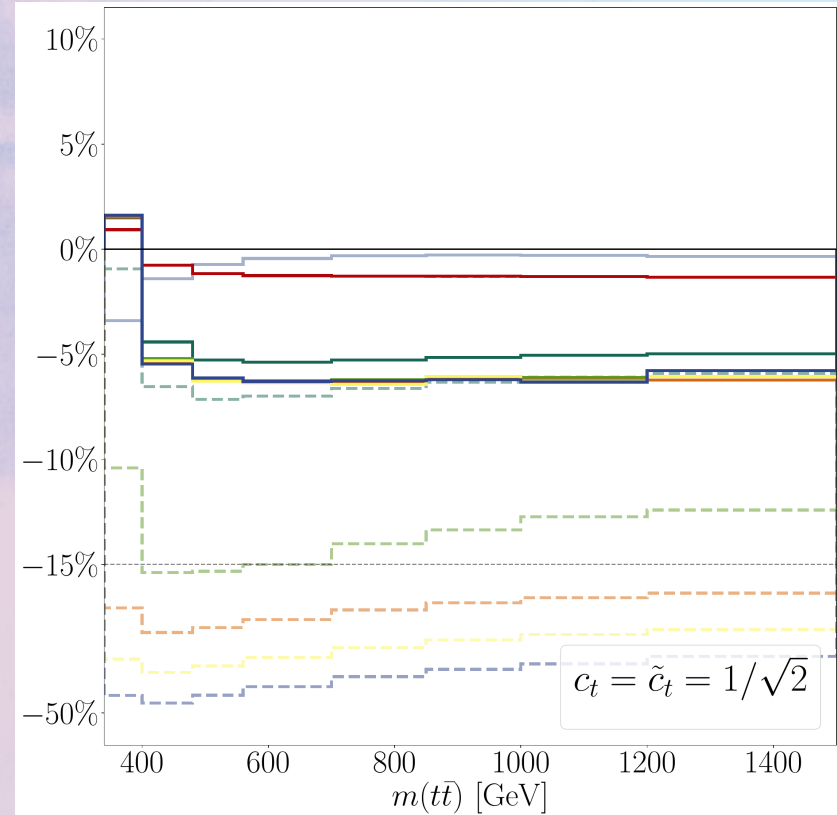
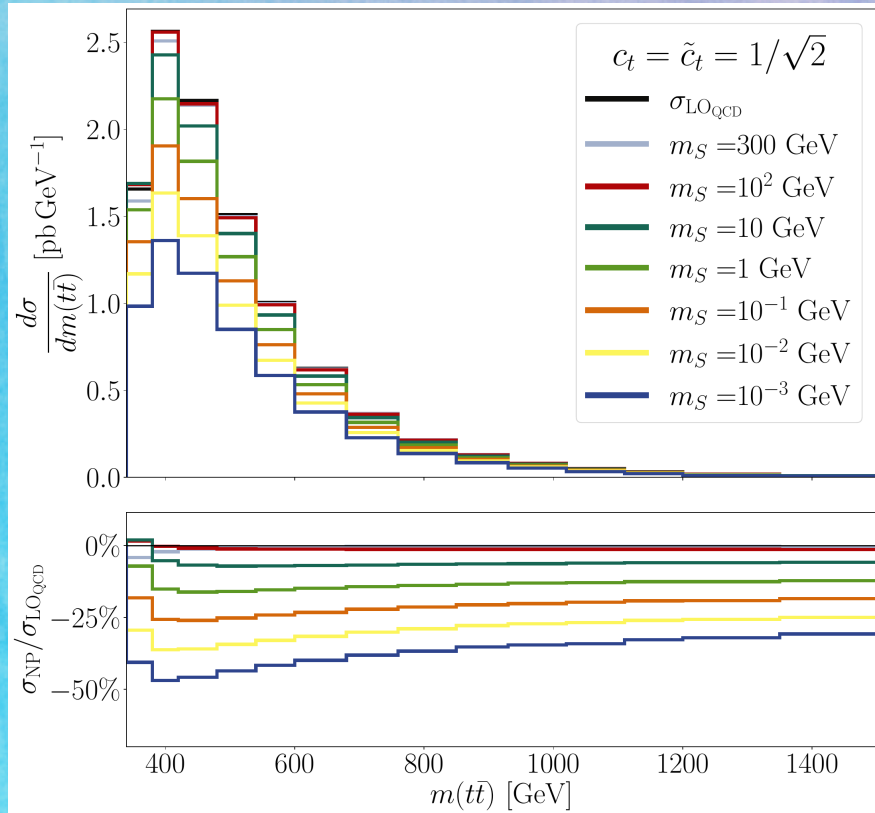
Higgs anomalous couplings

Higgs top Yukawa

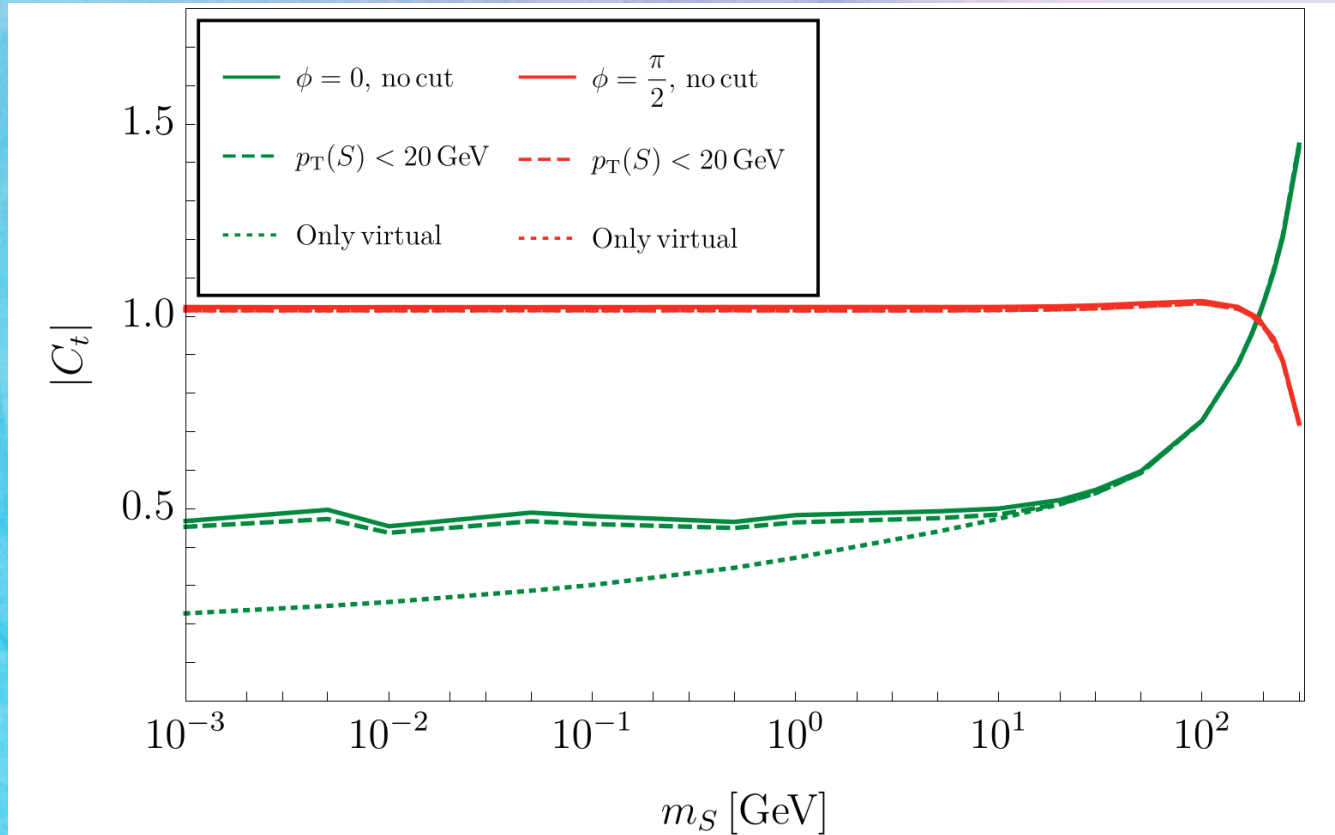
MG5 UFO implementation

Backup

Mixing the CP



Transverse momentum sensitivity



$$|C_t| = \sqrt{c_t^2 + \tilde{c}_t^2}$$

$$\phi = \arctan \frac{\tilde{c}_t}{c_t}$$

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- Theory: SM+S(NP)
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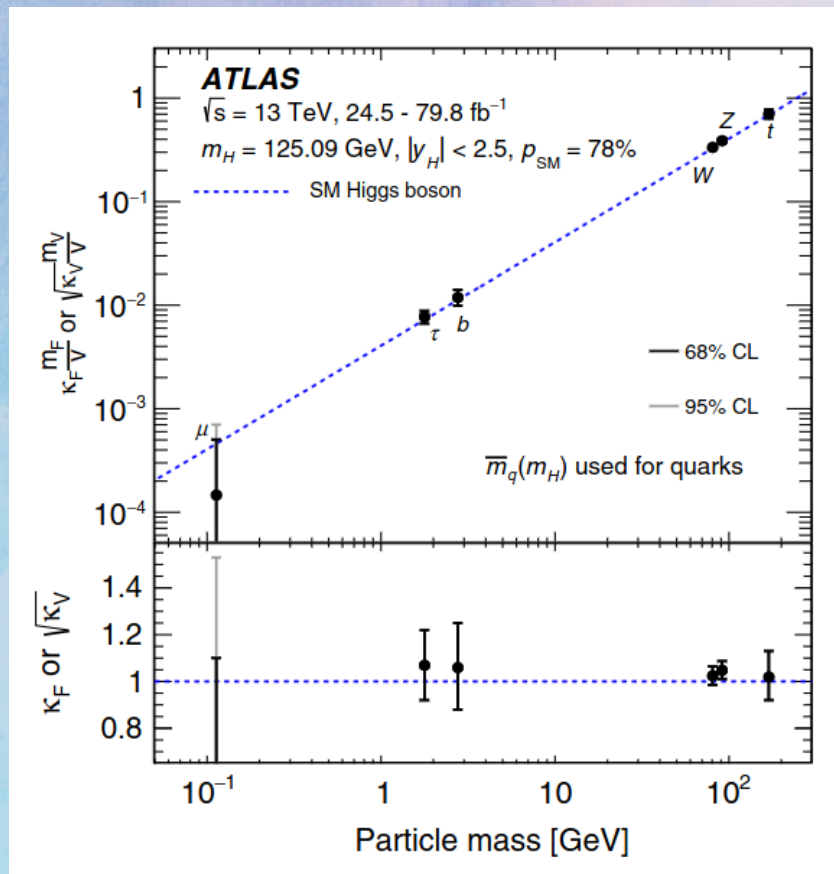
SMEFT Relations

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT, top-Higgs}}^{\text{dim}=6} \equiv \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{C_{tt}^{u\Phi}}{\Lambda^2} \left(\Phi^\dagger \Phi - \frac{v^2}{2} \right) \bar{\psi}_{Q_{3,L}} \tilde{\Phi} \psi_{t,R} + \text{h.c.},$$

$$\kappa_t = 1 - \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{\Re(C_{tt}^{u\Phi})}{y_t^{\text{SM}}},$$

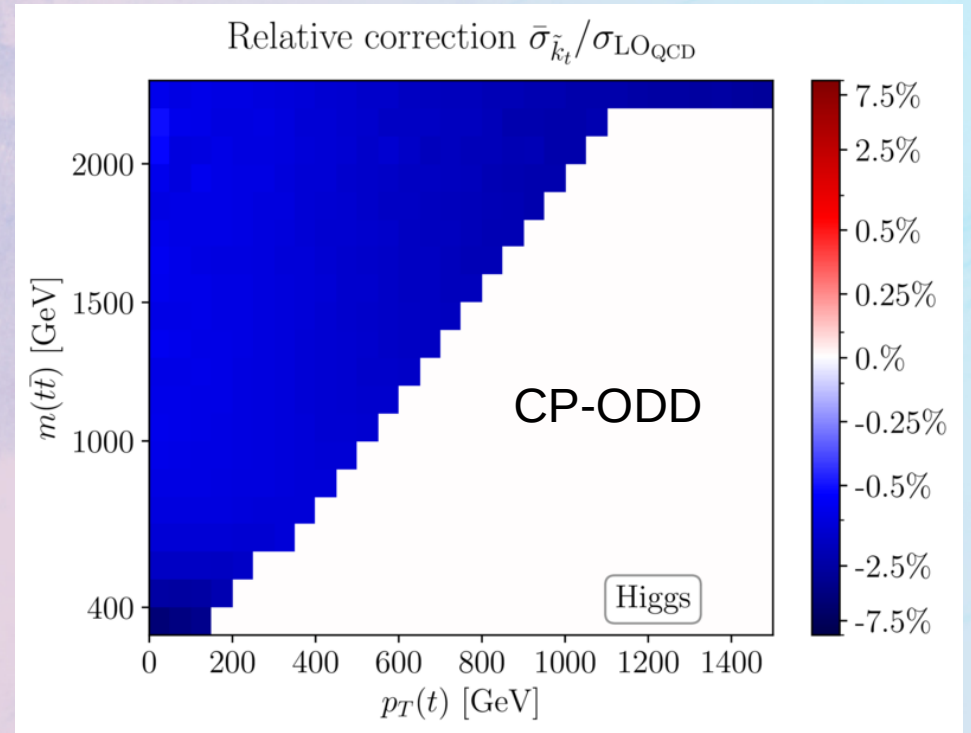
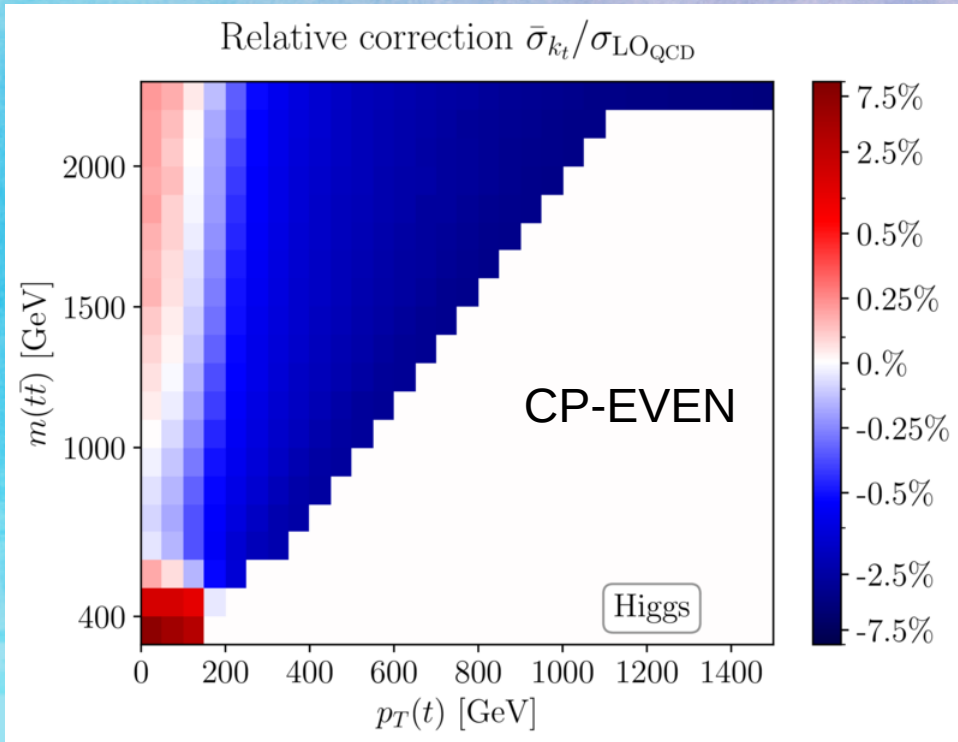
$$\tilde{\kappa}_t = -\frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{\Im(C_{tt}^{u\Phi})}{y_t^{\text{SM}}}.$$

Higgs couplings state

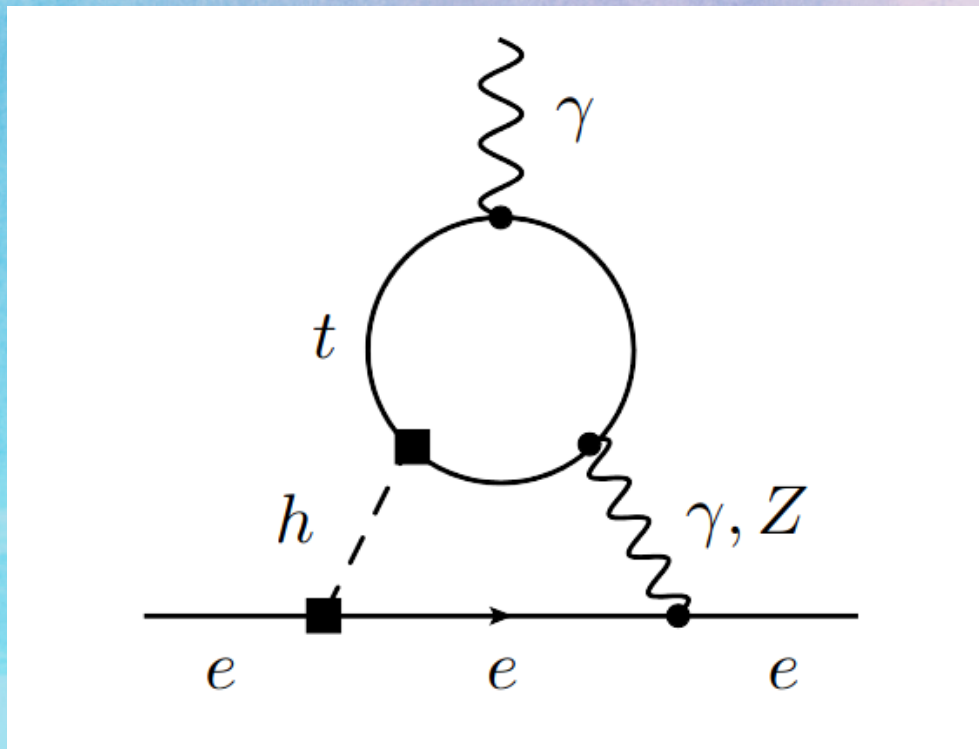


[ATLAS: 1909.02845]

Double differential



Indirect Searches: electron EDM



Brod, Haisch, Zupan: [1310.1385]

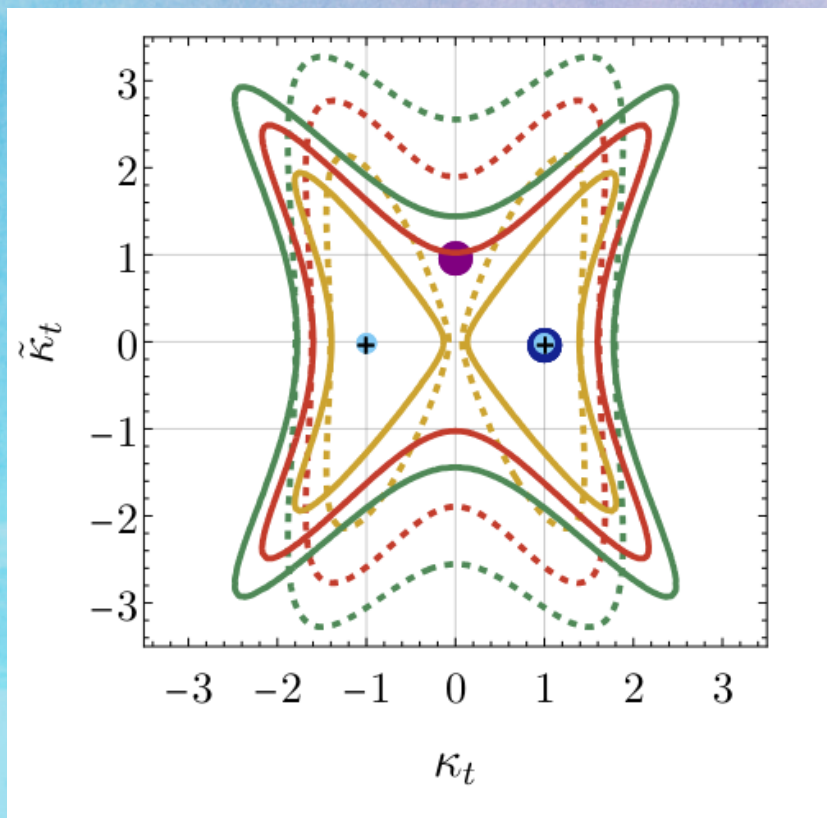
Extremely precise measurement:

- $|\tilde{k}_t| < 0.01$

Additional assumption:

- Higgs couples to SM electron
- $|\tilde{k}_e| = 0, |k_e| = 1$
- Possible One Loop NP effects

Fit comparison



- Full corrections
- No s -channel
- 1σ bound
- 2σ bound
- 3σ bound
- CP-even Higgs (SM)
- CP-odd Higgs
- Best Fit
- + Best Fit: no s -channel

The view from the ALPs

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{c_t}{2} \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_a} \bar{t} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 t$$

SEE ALSO:

[Esser, Madigan, Sanz, Ubiali, 2303.17634]

[Vu Phan, Westhoff, 2312.00872]

[Rygaard, Niedziela, Schäfer, Bruggisser, Alimena, Westhoff, Blekman, 2306.08686]

[Blasi, Maltoni, Mariotti, Mimasu, Pagani, ST 2311.16048]

Equations of motion

ALP = Pseudoscalar term + Contact term

Naturally suppressed
diphoton decay

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{equiv.}} = -ic_t \frac{m_t}{f_a} a \bar{t} \gamma_5 t + c_t \frac{\alpha_S}{8\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} G \tilde{G} + \text{E.W. terms}$$

TOP-ALP vs Pseudoscalar

$$a \rightarrow gg(\gamma\gamma)$$

Blasi, Maltoni, Mariotti, Mimasu, Pagani, ST [23XX.XXXX]
 Bauer, Neubert, Thamm [1708.00443]



$$\Gamma \propto \left[1 + 2m_t^2 C(p, q, m_t) \right]^2$$

Only contact interaction

Only Pseudoscalar

$2m_t > m_a$

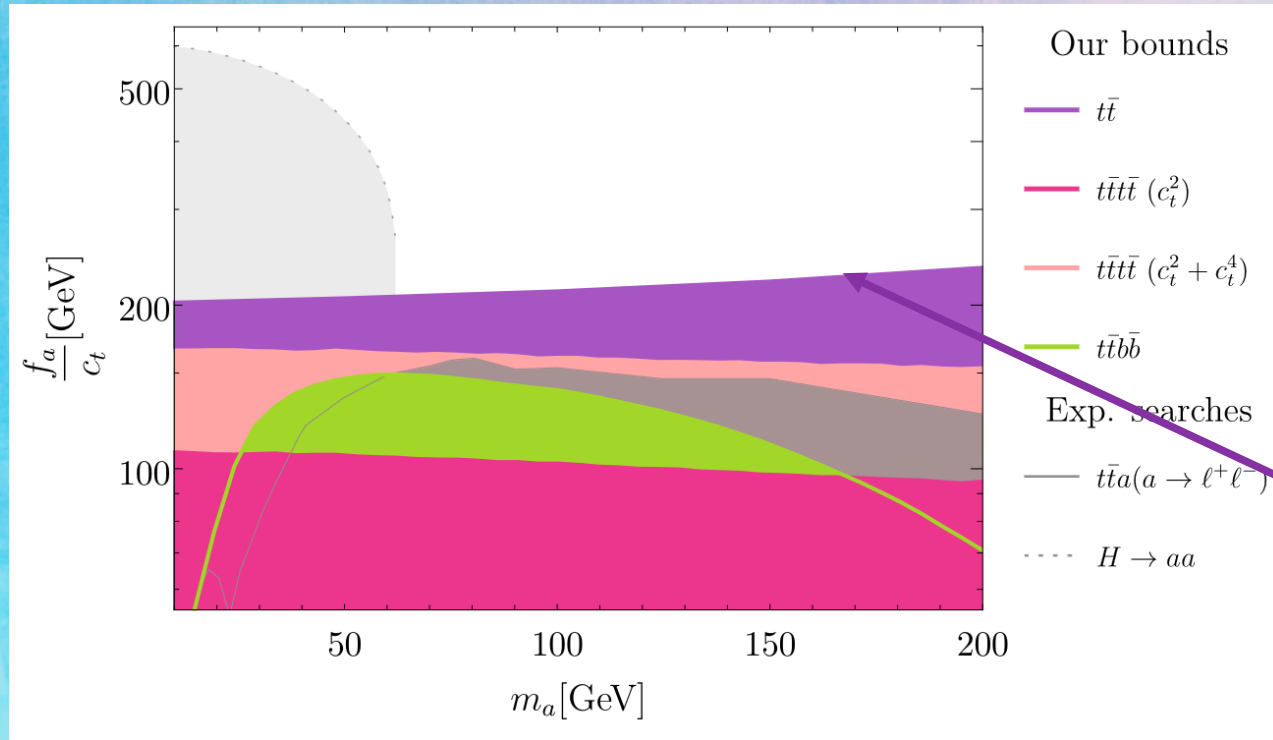
$$\Gamma \propto \left[1 + 2m_t^2 \left(-\frac{1}{2m_t^2} - \frac{m_a^2}{24m_t^4} \right) \right]^2$$

Cancellation between contact interaction and pseudoscalar!

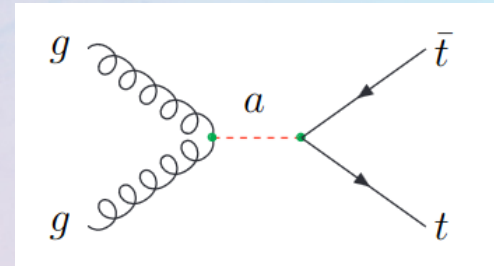
$$\Gamma \propto \frac{m_a^4}{144m_t^4}$$

Super-suppressed w.r.t. single terms

Bounds on Axion Like Particles (ALP) couplings



One additional diagram:



Purple Line:
-Virtual corrections
to $t\bar{t}$ production
BEST BOUND!!

[Blasi, Maltoni, Mariotti, Mimasu, Pagani, ST 2311.16048]

ALP: PT Comparison

