

# MONO-HIGGS DETECTION OF DARK MATTER AT THE LHC

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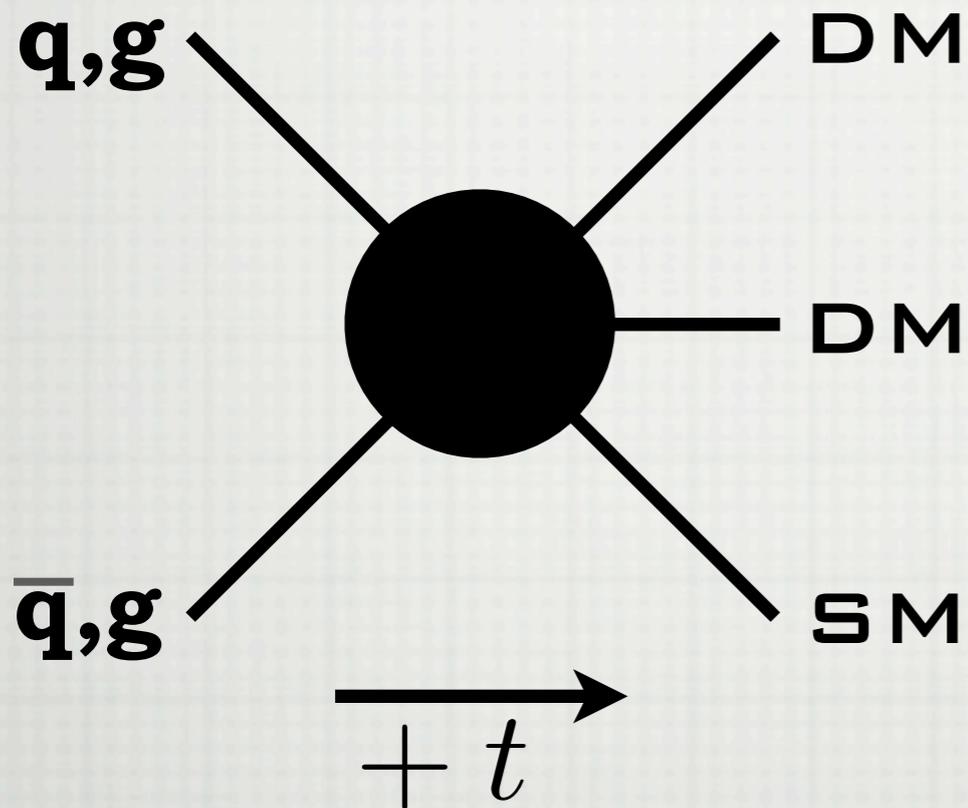
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(Also, see Carpentar et al., arXiv:1312.2592  
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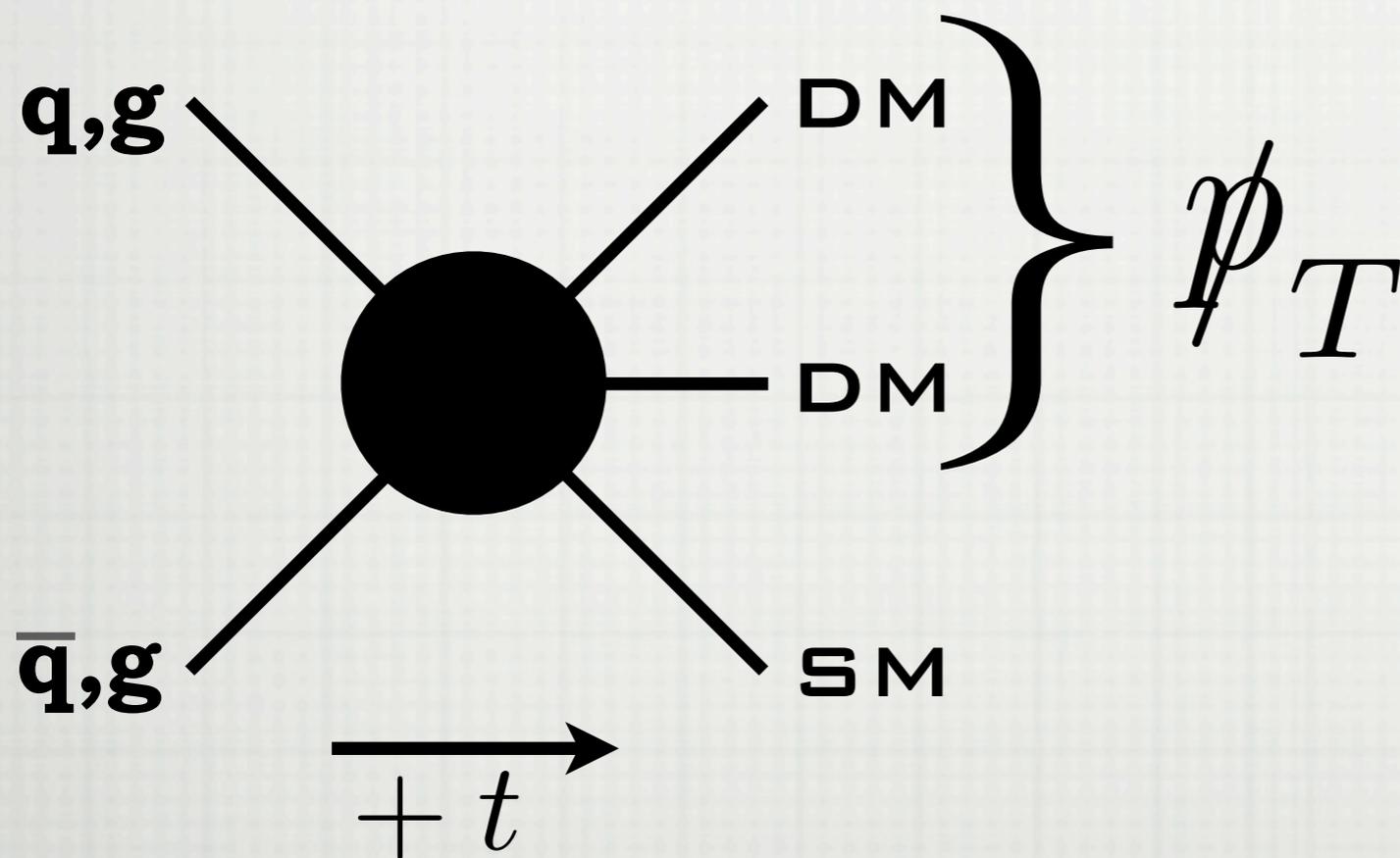
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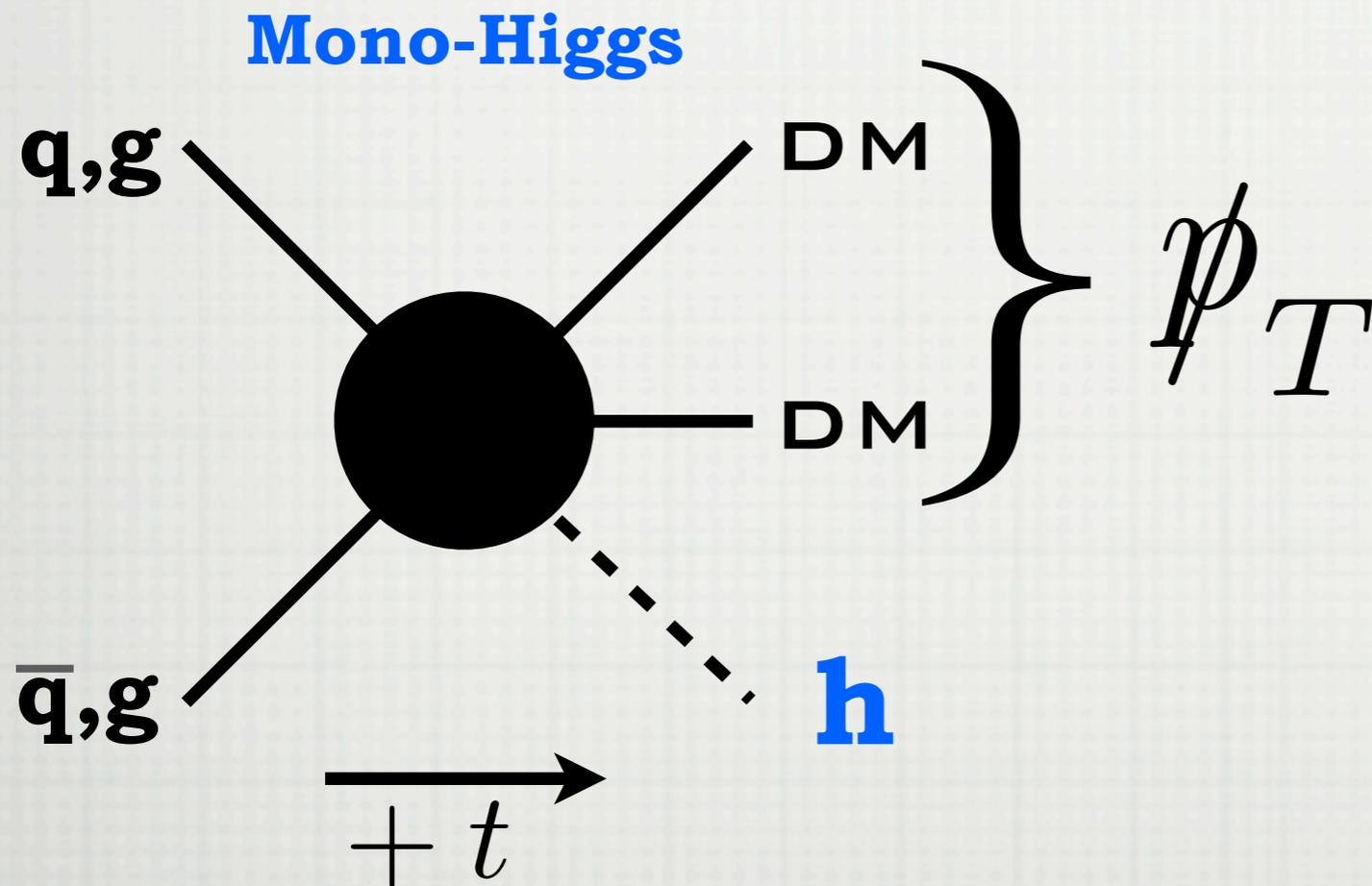
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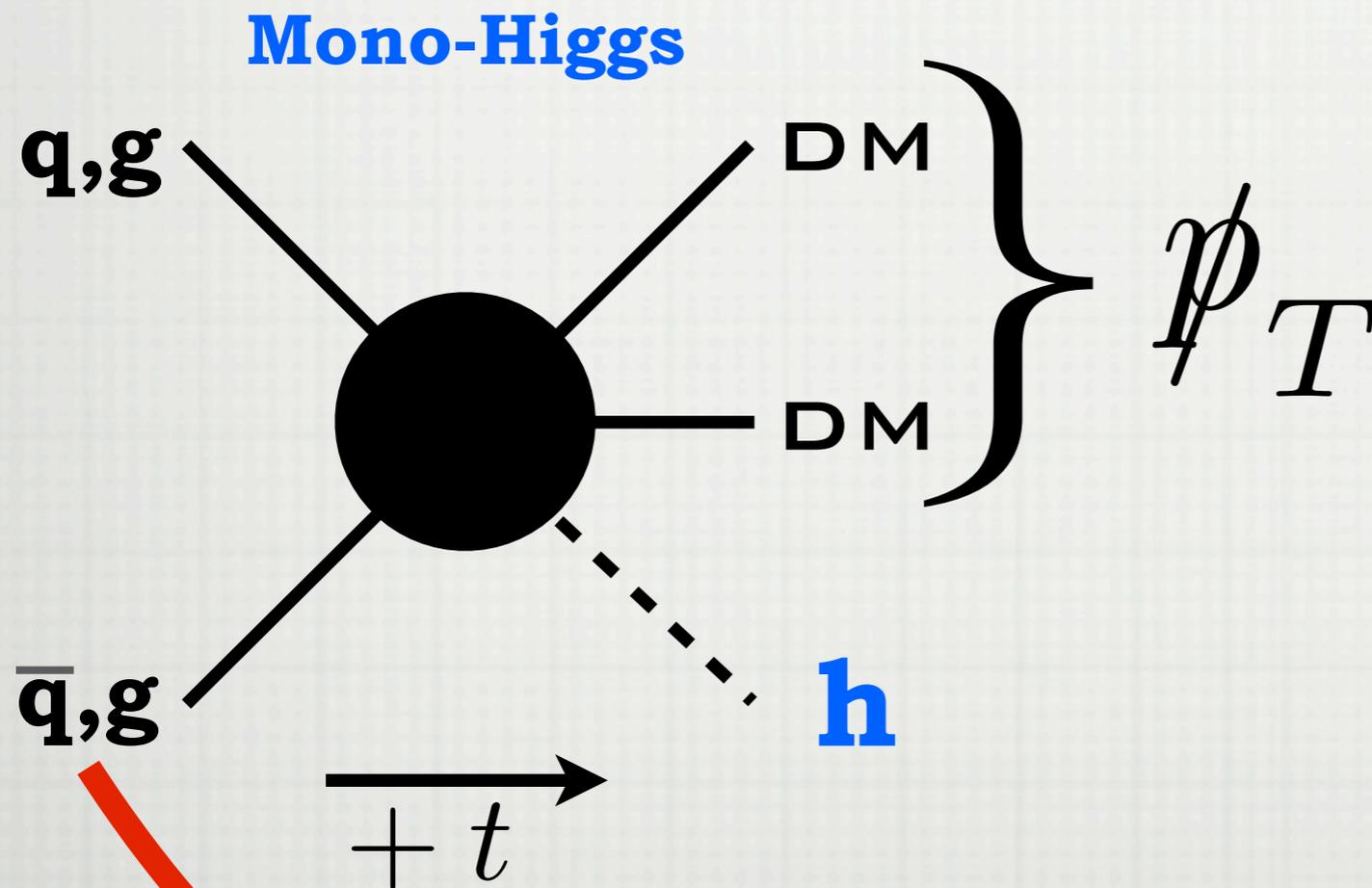
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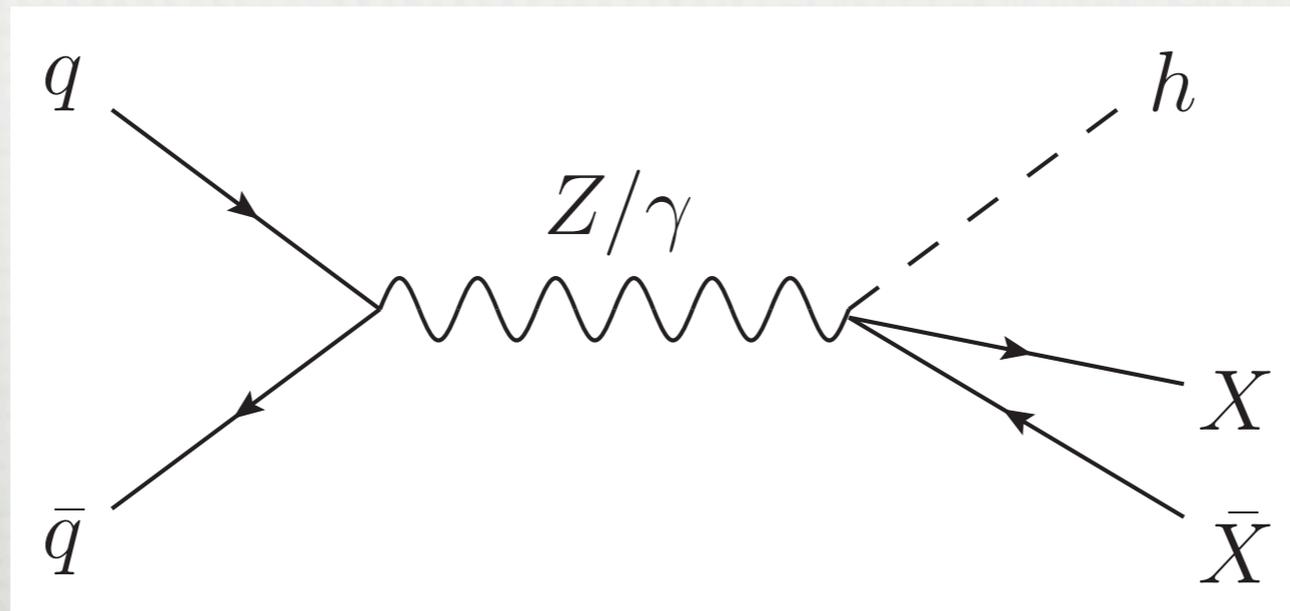
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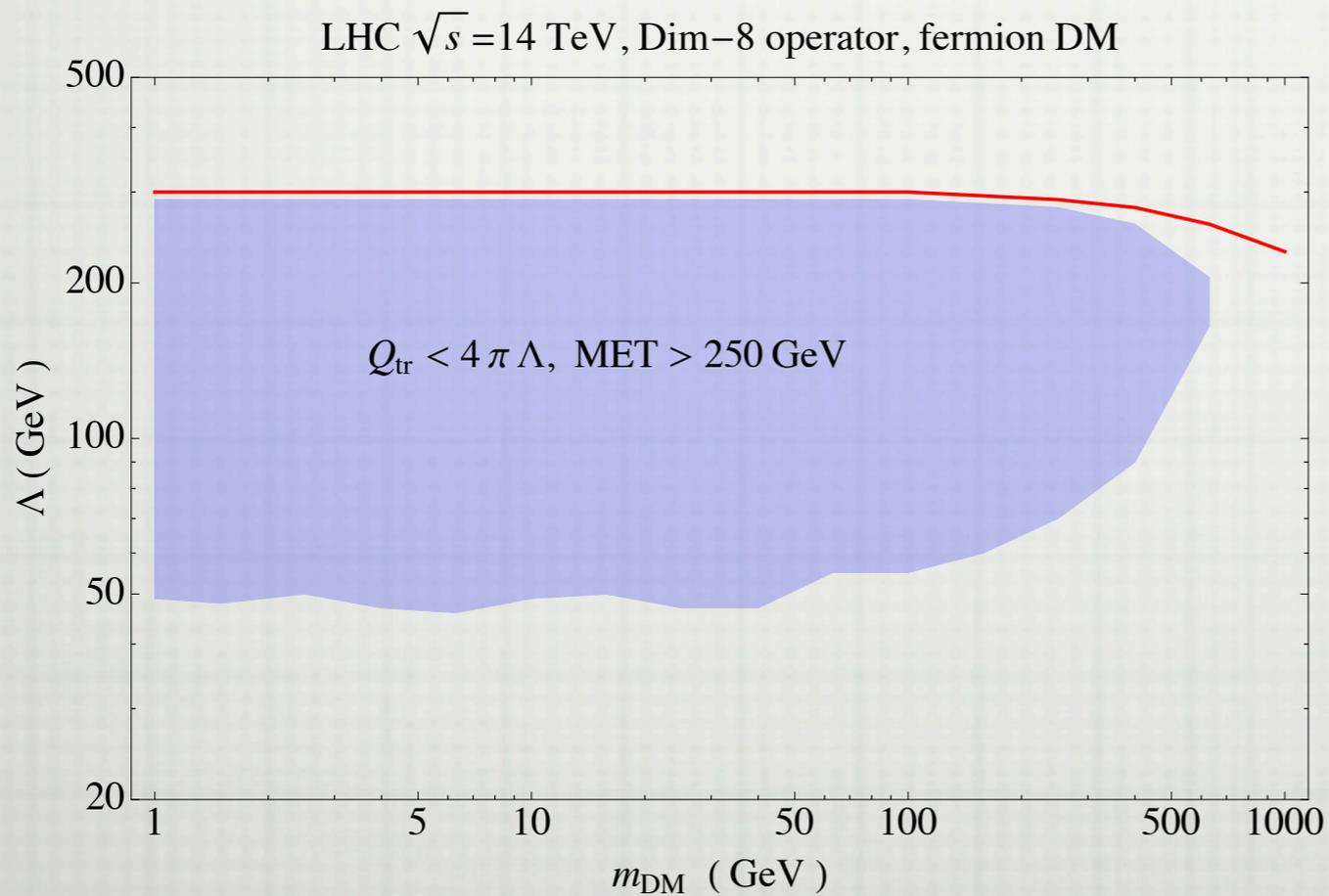
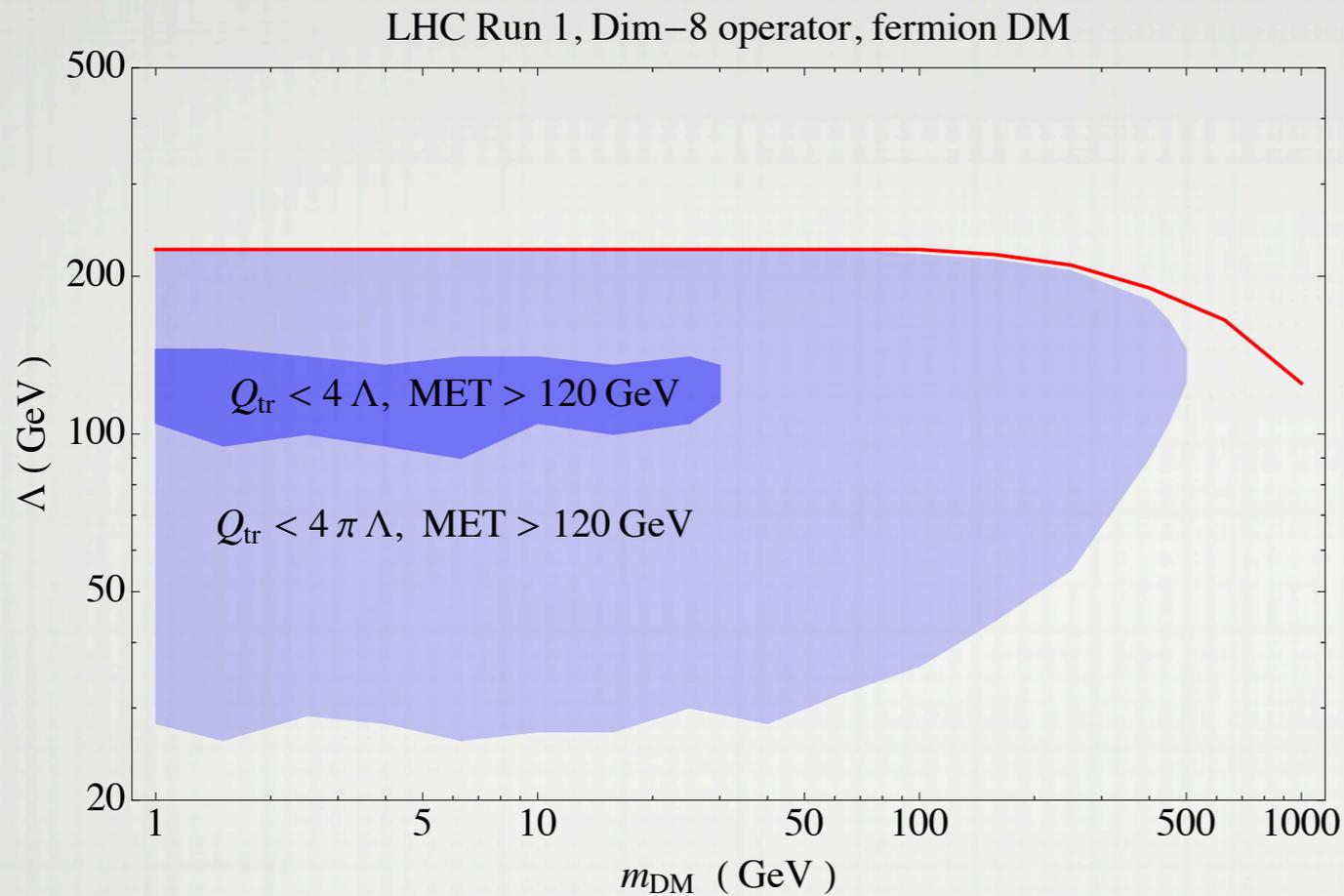
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- **Dim. 6 : Direct Z+DM coupling. Direct detection and invisible Z width are very constraining.**
- **Dim. 7: Mild constraints on the cutoff. Softer momentum transfer dependence.**
- **Dim. 8: Stronger constraints on the cutoff. Harder momentum transfer dependence.**





## 95% CL Constraints on Cutoff from Mono-Higgs

- Red Lines: Lower bound from naive requirement.**
- Blue Regions: Excluded regions after “unitarizing”.**

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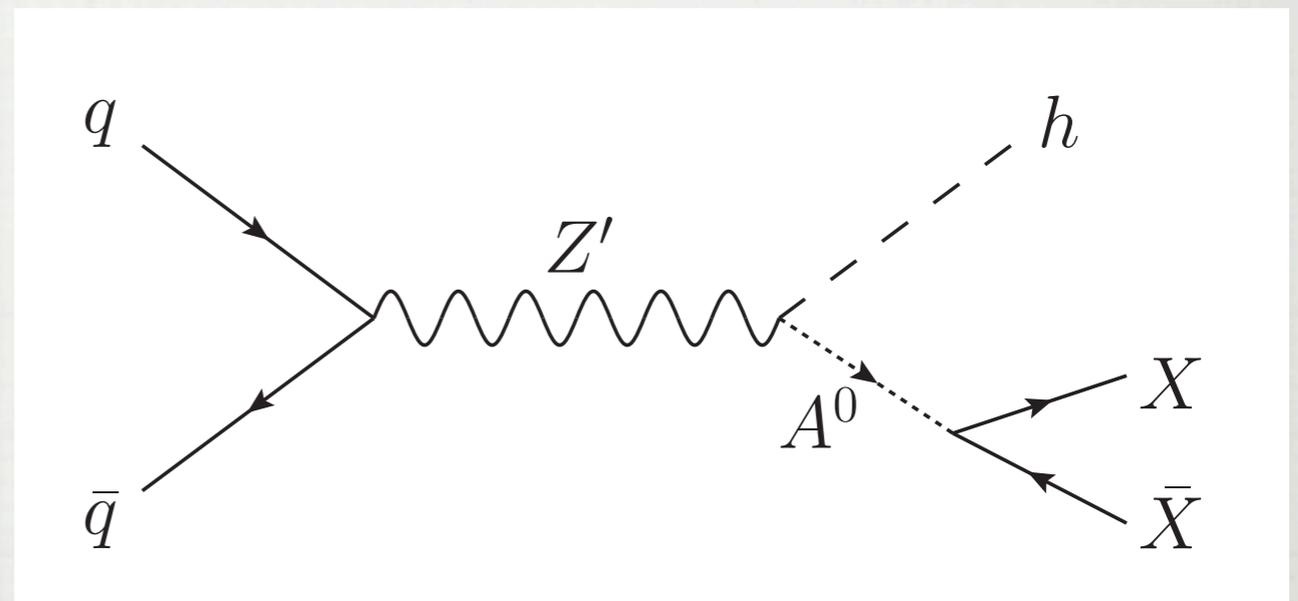
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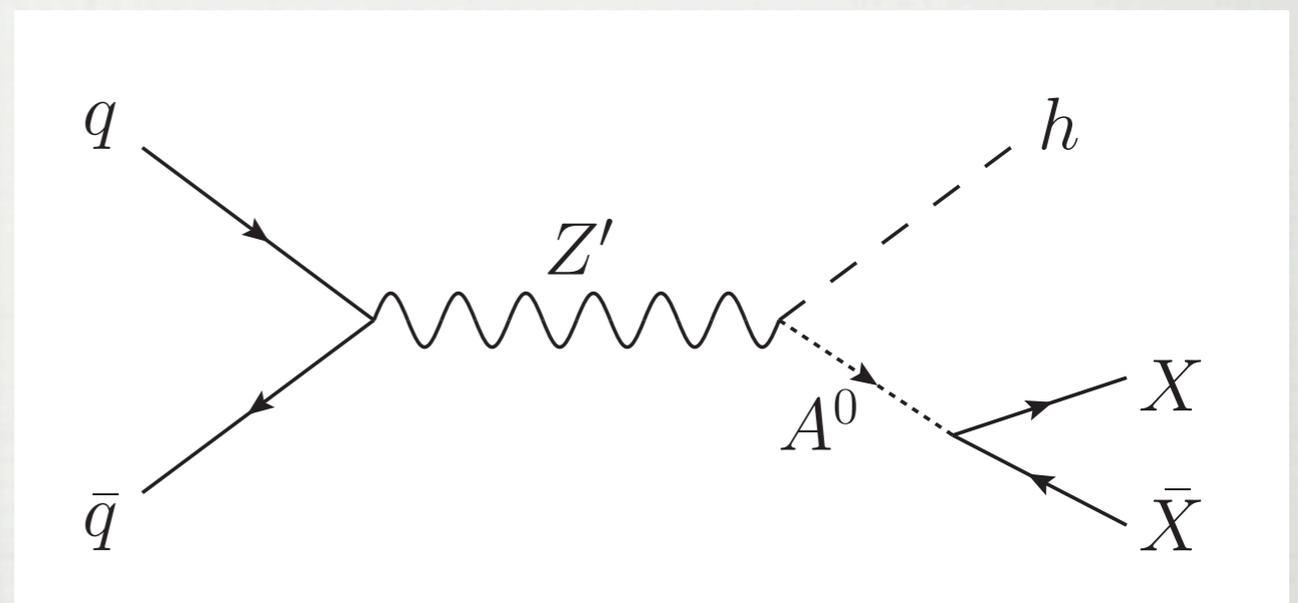
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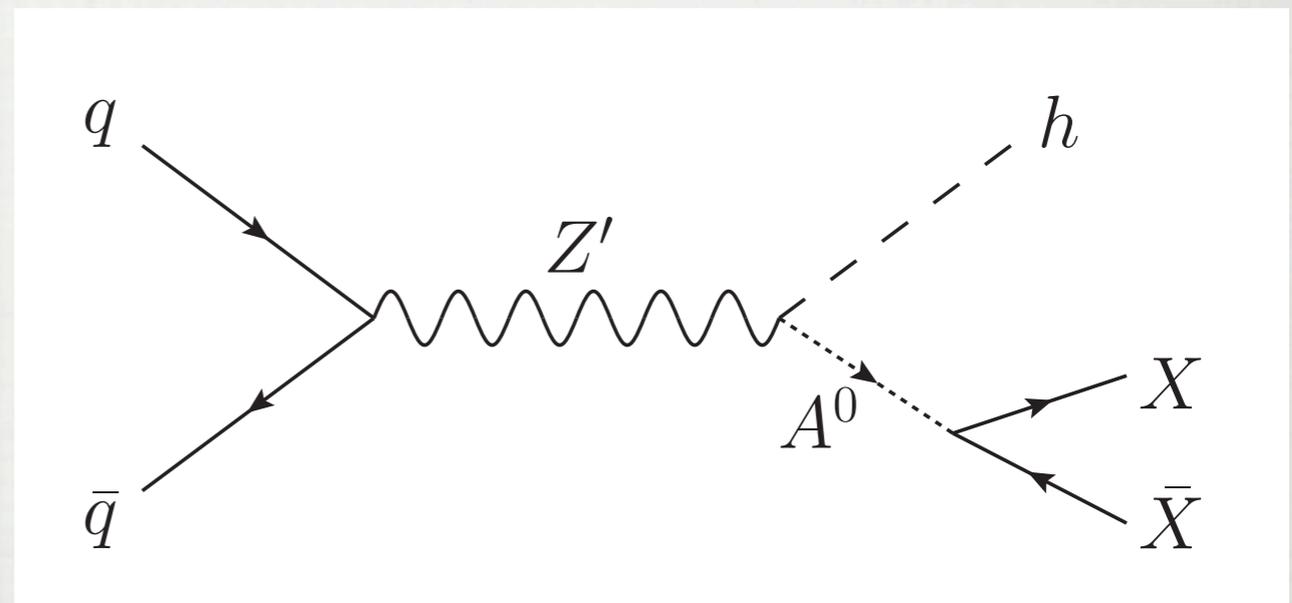
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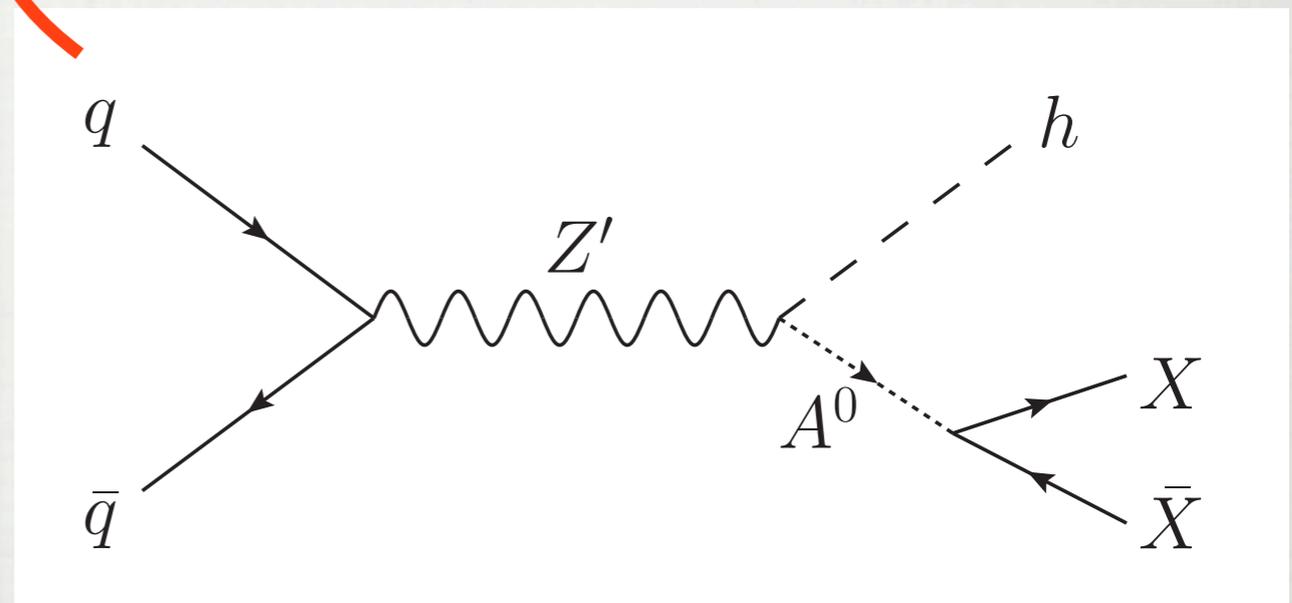


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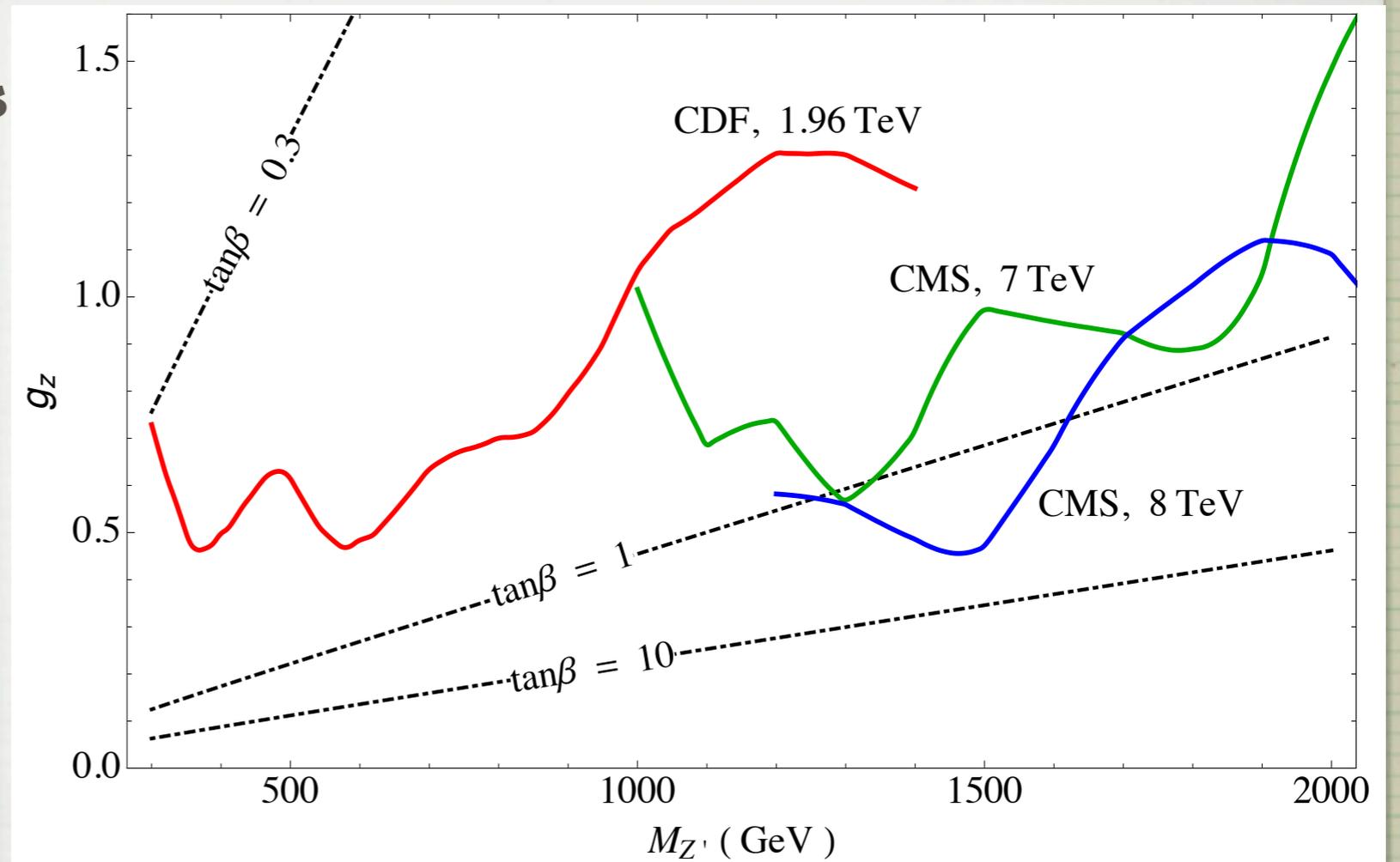


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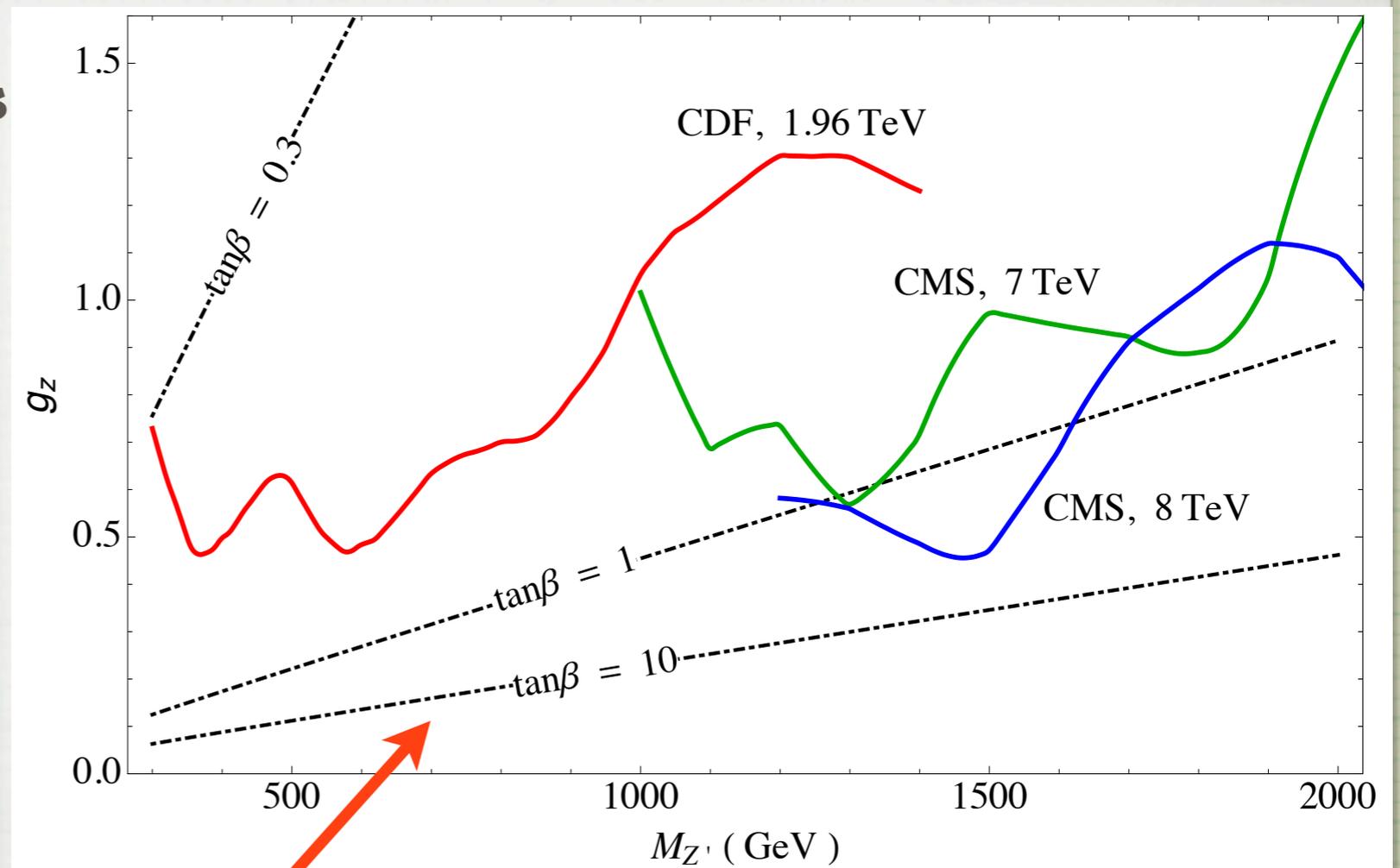
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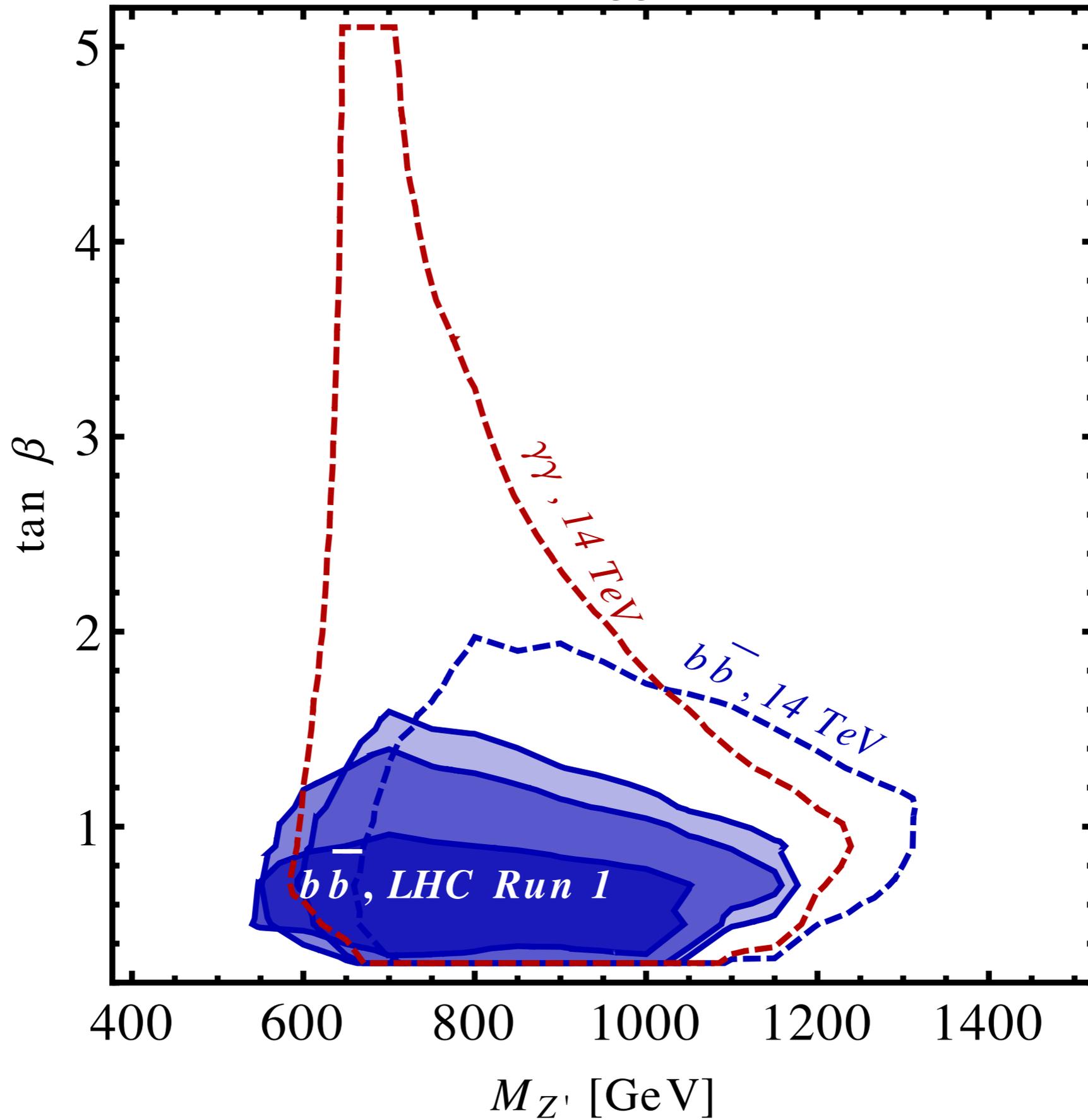
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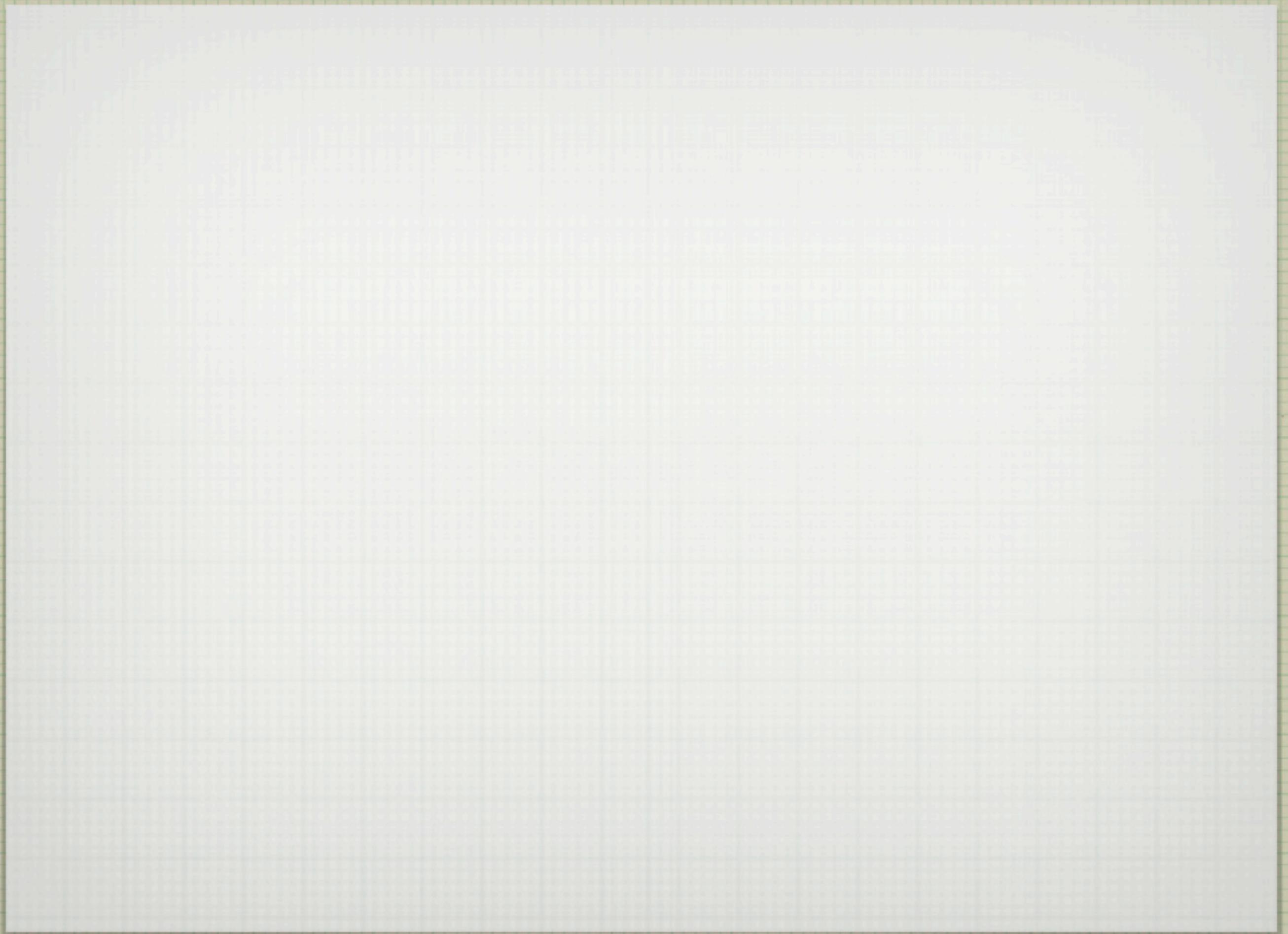


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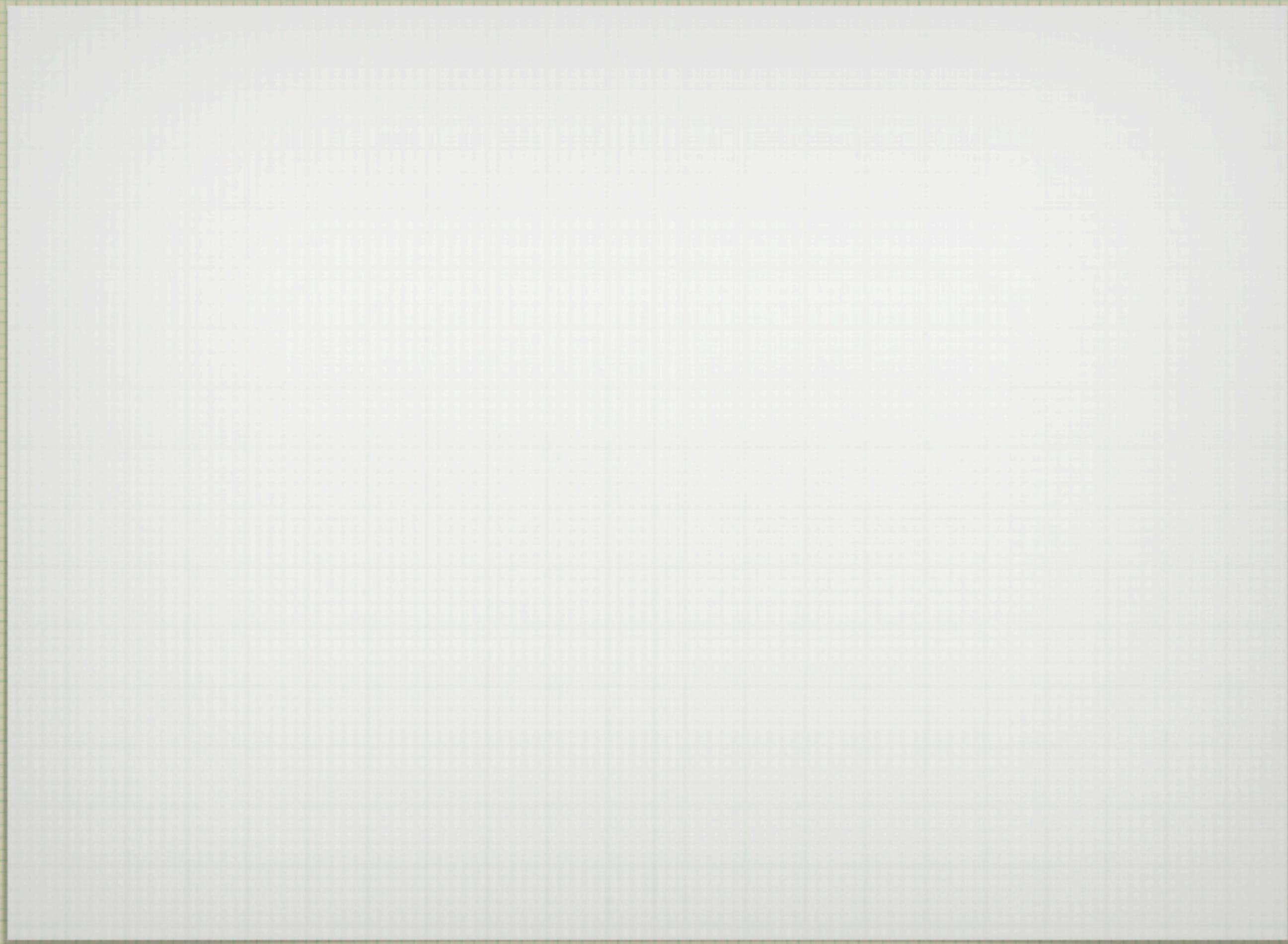
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mono-Higgs reach





**QUESTIONS?**



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$$\frac{1}{\Lambda^3} \bar{X} \gamma^{\mu\nu} X \times i [(D_\mu H)^\dagger D_\nu H - \text{h.c.}]$$

□ **Rate is smaller when DM couples to 2 Higgs**

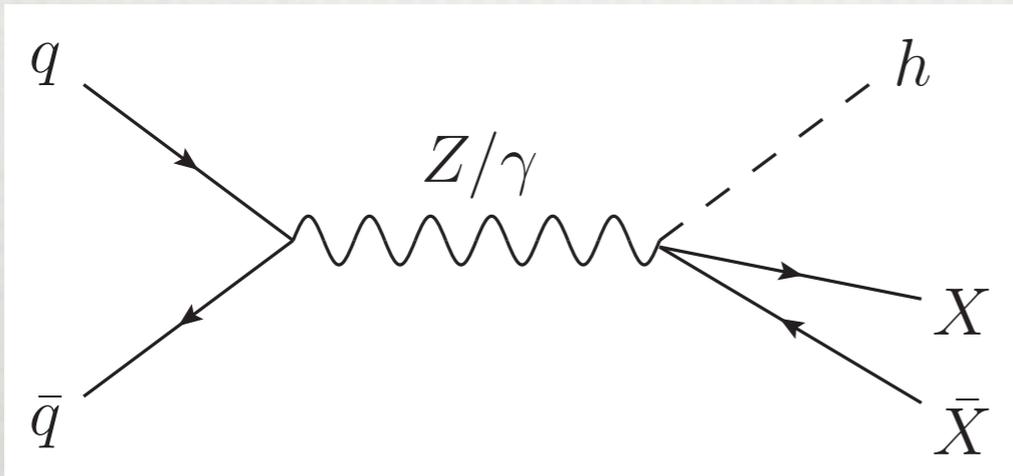
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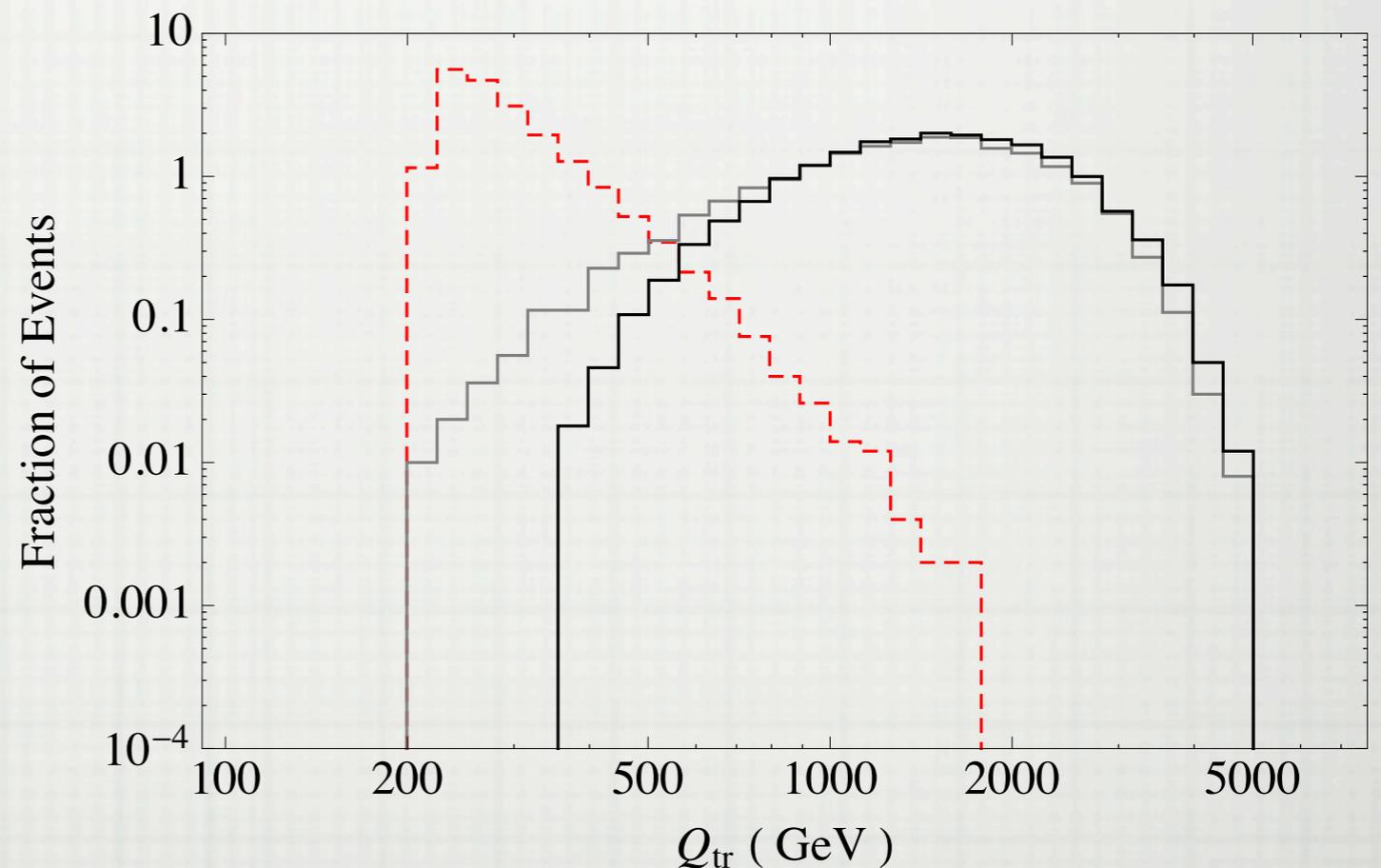
□ **These same operators give Mono-Z/W. This is weaker due to s-channel Higgs production.**

□ **When is this EFT valid to order 1?**



# EFT Unitarity

- **Mono-Higgs signal comes from high momentum transfer region.**
- **Constraints on cutoff often of order 100 GeV (if even). Can see that momentum transfer exceeds this easily.**
- **We should worry about the unitarity of our EFT description!**



Momentum Transfer at 8 TeV, for 10 GeV (gray) or 100 (black) GeV DM, from Mono-Higgs process of Dim.-8 fermionic operator. Zh production (red) is the irreducible SM background.

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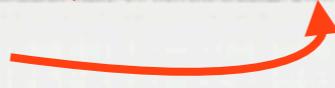
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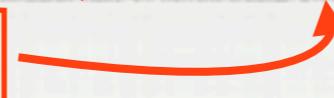
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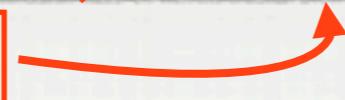
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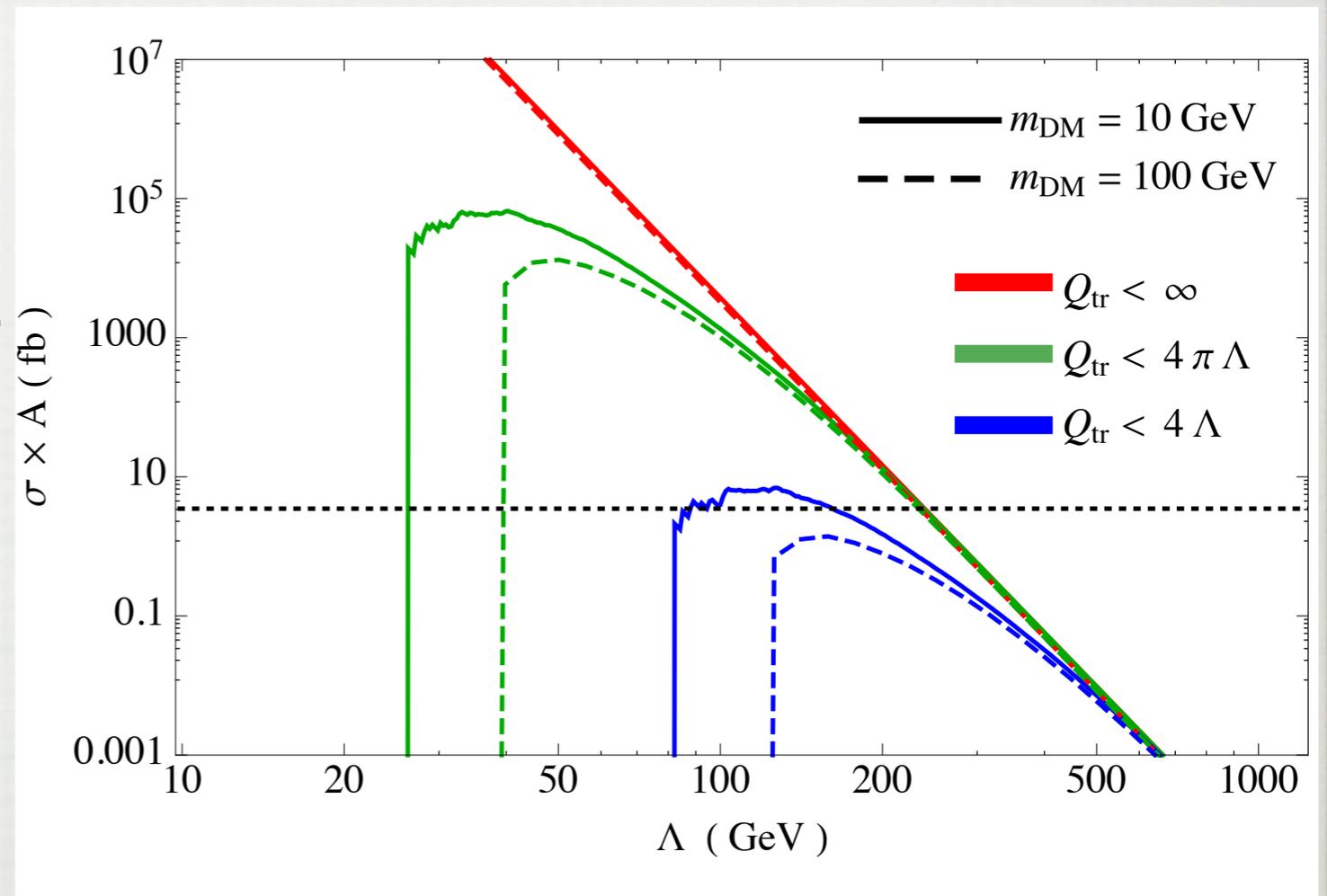
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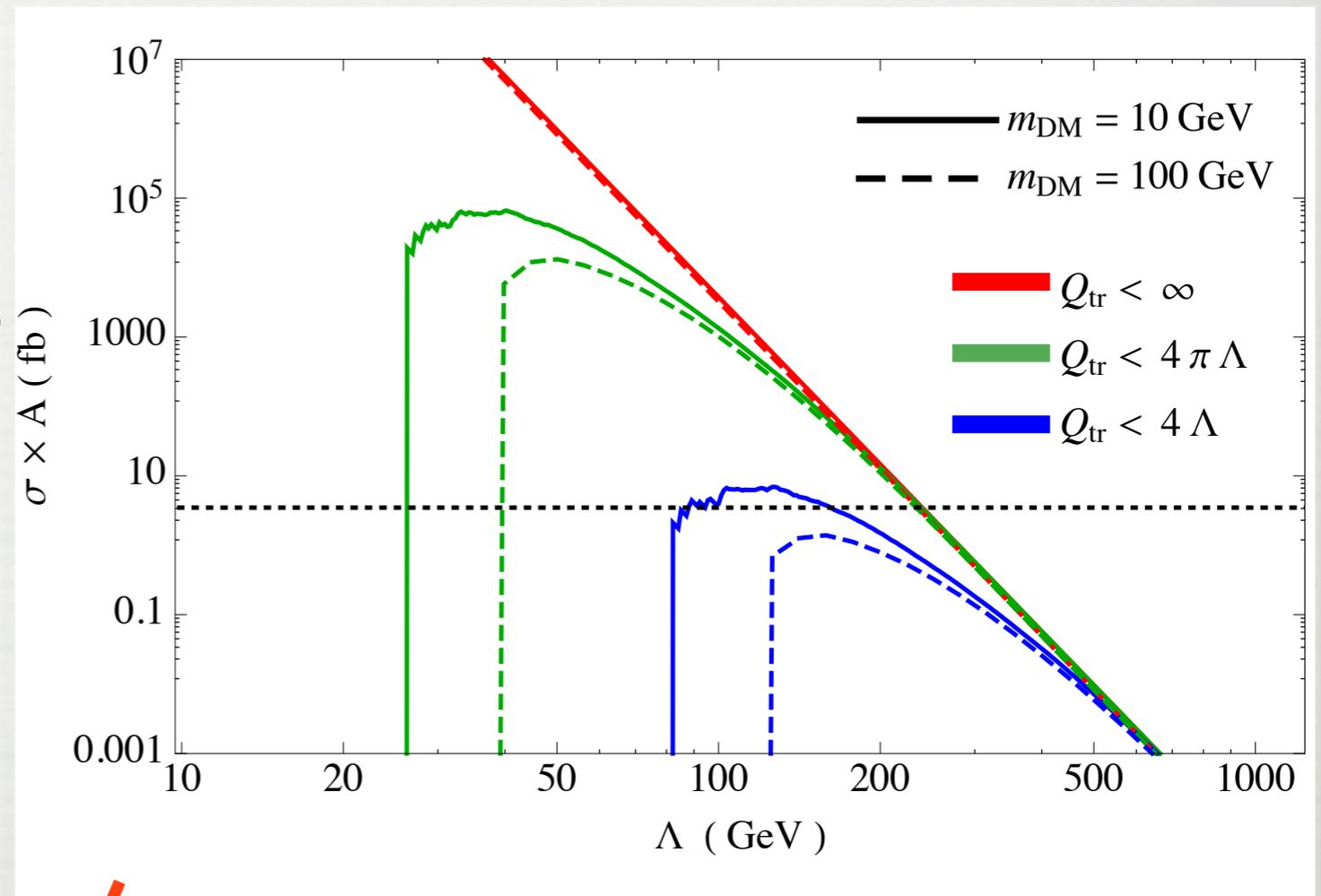
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  - For large  $\tan \beta$ : rate  $\sim 1$
  - Increases for smaller  $M_{Z'}$

# Dark Matter Coupling

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- **Want order 1 BF of pseudoscalar to DM**
- **Singlet-Doublet Fermionic Dark Matter (Cheung and Sanford arXiv 1311.5896 [hep-ph])**
- **Introduce two SU(2) doublet Weyls with hypercharge  $\pm 1/2$ ,  $D_2$  and  $D_1$ , respectively**
- **Introduce total gauge singlet Weyl  $S$**
- **Assume all are neutral under  $U(1)_Z$**

$$-\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{2} M_S^2 S^2 + M_D D_1 D_2 + y_1 S D_1 \Phi_d + y_2 S \Phi_d^\dagger D_2 + \text{h.c.}$$

$\text{BF}(A^0 \rightarrow \text{DM}), \tan\beta = 1, y = 1.5, \tan\theta = -2$

