

# Vector Boson Scattering at CLIC: Determination of anomalous gauge couplings

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# Introduction

- Higgs field is responsible for electroweak symmetry breaking  
 $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{em}$
- Details of symmetry breaking still unknown
- Vector boson scattering is sensitive to new physics in the Higgs sector
- New physics: additional resonances or **anomalous couplings**

# Effective field theory and anomalous couplings

- $\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_i \mathcal{L}_i$
- Relevant longitudinal dimension eight operators:

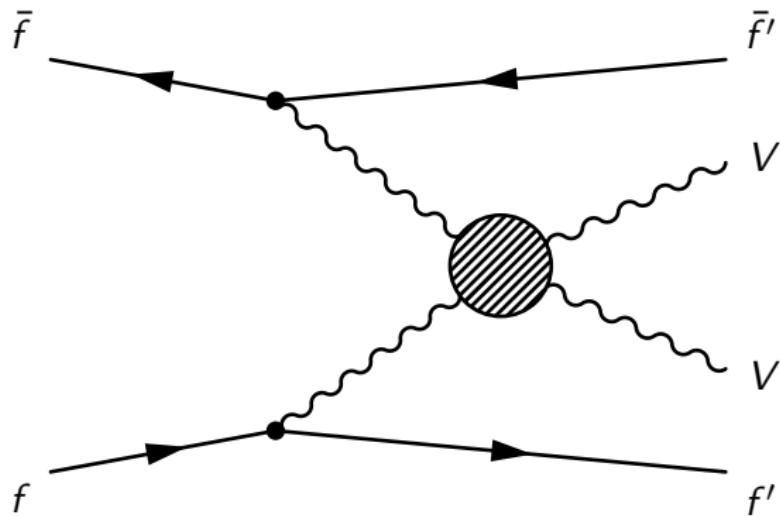
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$\mathbf{H}$  linear representation of the Higgs field

- Goal: measure couplings  $F_{S,0}$  and  $F_{S,1}$

$$\boxed{\mathbf{H} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} v + h - iw^3 & -i\sqrt{2}w^+ \\ -i\sqrt{2}w^- & v + h + iw^3 \end{pmatrix}}$$

# Vector boson scattering



**Figure:** Feynman diagram for vector boson scattering in a fermion antifermion collision.

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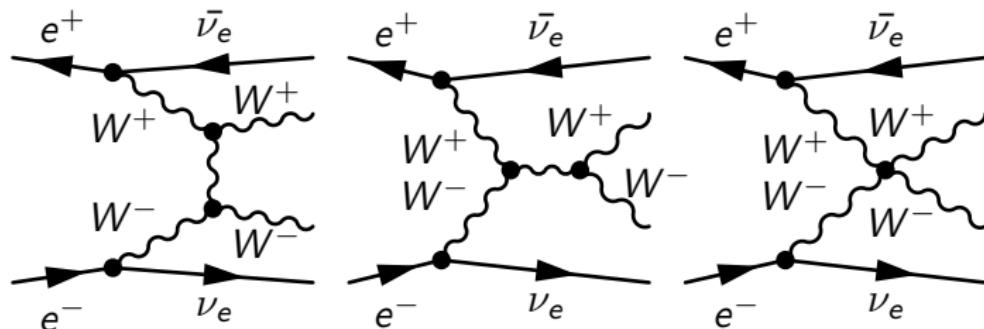


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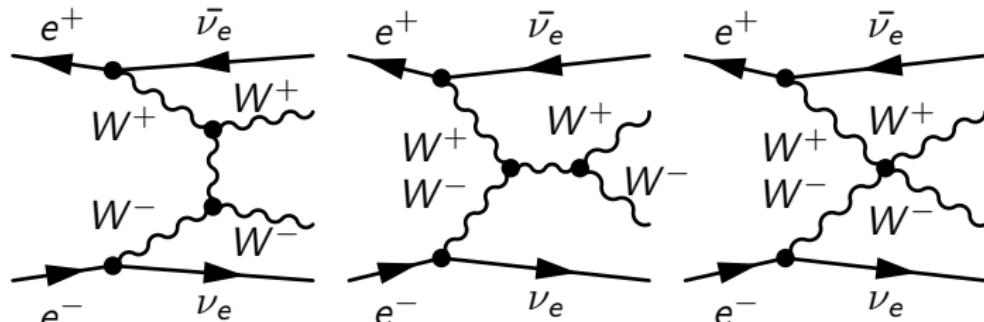


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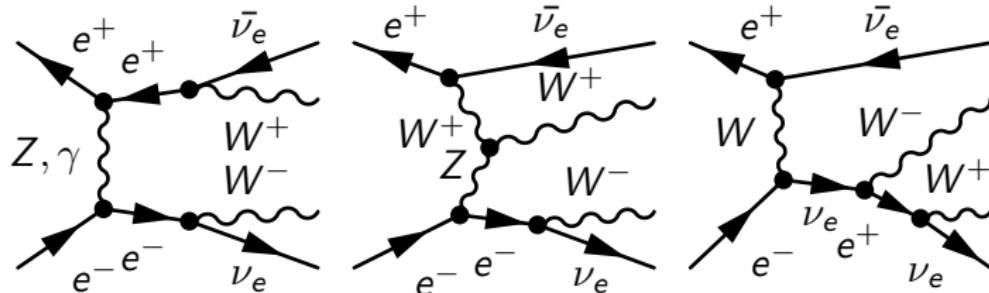


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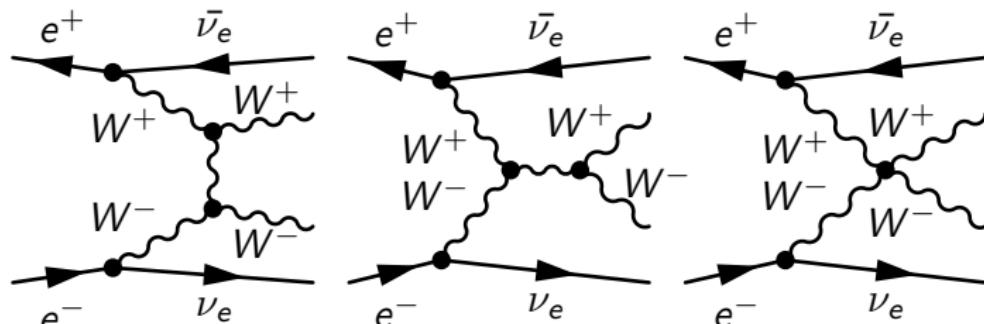


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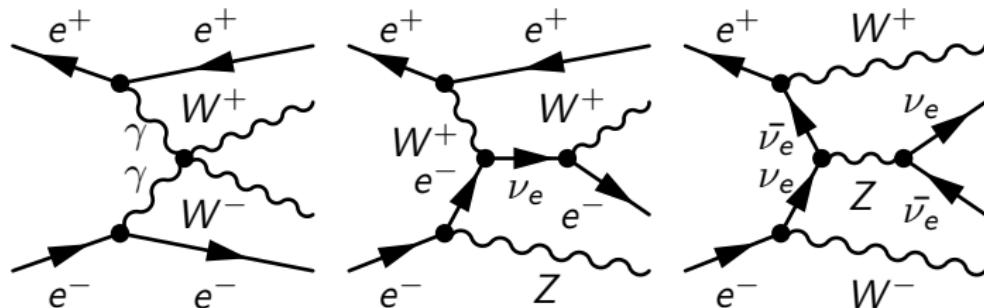


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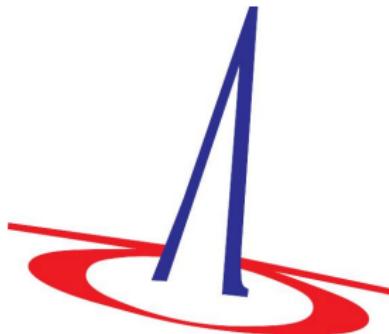
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## $W$ and $Z$ identification

J. S. Marshall, A. Mnich, M. A. Thomson: arXiv:1209.4039

- $\approx 88\%$  (with photon induced bkg.: 71-79 %)



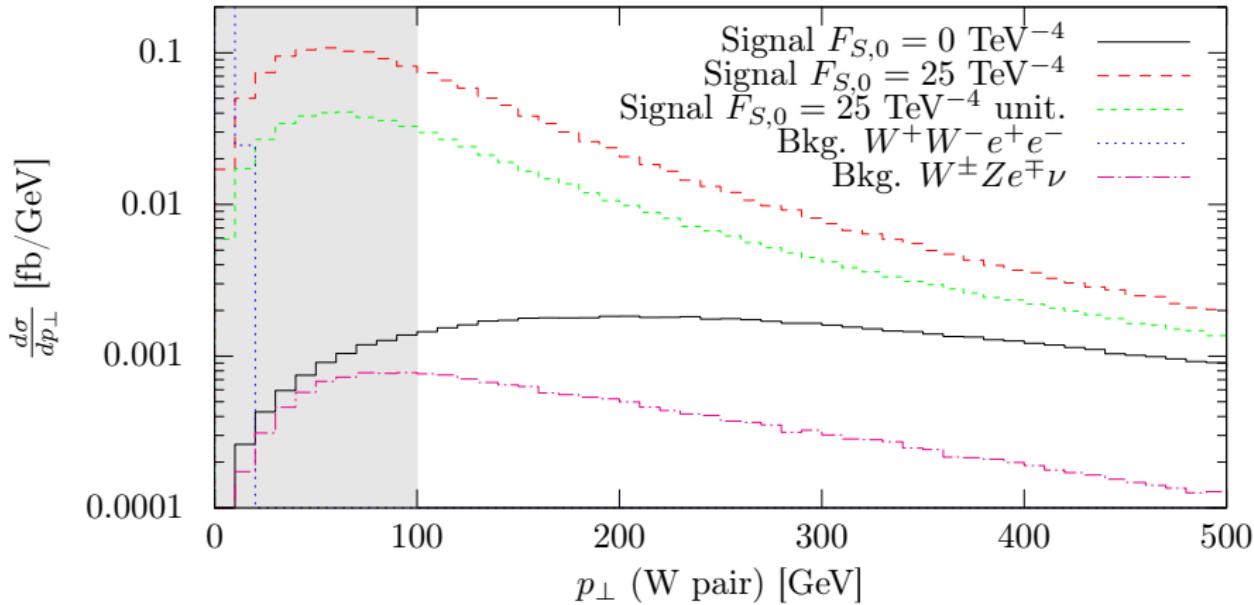
- Event generator for collider physics
- Matrix element generator O'Mega
- Efficient phase space and event generation
- Current release: 2.2.8 (November 22nd, 2015)

# Total cross sections without cuts

Process	1400 GeV	3000 GeV	Factor
$W^+ W^- \nu \bar{\nu}$	47.1	132	1
$W^+ W^- e^+ e^-$	1570	3820	1
$W^\pm Z e^\mp \nu$	138	408	0.136
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Table: Total cross sections in fb without cuts (error  $\approx 1\%$ ).

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**Figure:** Differential cross sections depending on the transverse momentum of the  $W$  boson pair at  $\sqrt{s} = 3000$  GeV.

## Used cuts

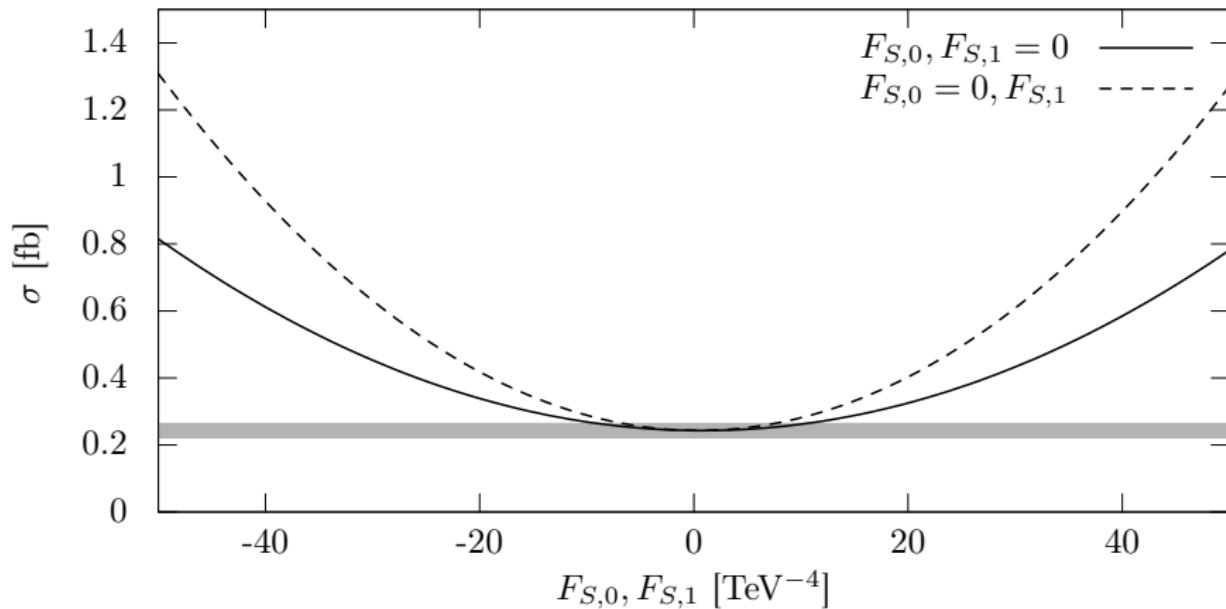
- ①  $M_{inv}(\bar{\nu}\nu) > 230(175)$  GeV (neutrinos originate from Z decay, backgrounds from  $W^+W^-$  and QCD four-jet production)
- ②  $|\cos\theta(W/Z)| < 0.8$  and  $p_\perp(W/Z) > 300(180)$  GeV (backgrounds which result from t-channel exchange in the subprocess)
- ③  $\theta(e) > 15$  mrad and  $p_\perp(WW) > 100(50)$  GeV,  $p_\perp(ZZ) > 60(40)$  GeV (background resulting from  $\gamma\gamma$  fusion)
- ④  $900(800)$  GeV  $< M_{inv}(WW) < 1900(1175)$  GeV,  
 $850(800)$  GeV  $< M_{inv}(ZZ) < 1900(1175)$  GeV (non scattered vector bosons)

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$W^+ W^- (Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu})$	0.039	0.610	1
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$Z Z \nu \bar{\nu}$	0.084	0.790	1
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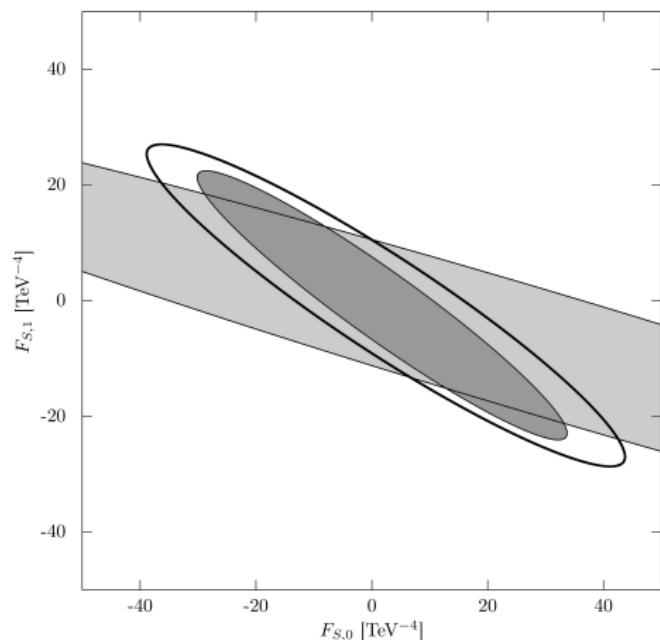
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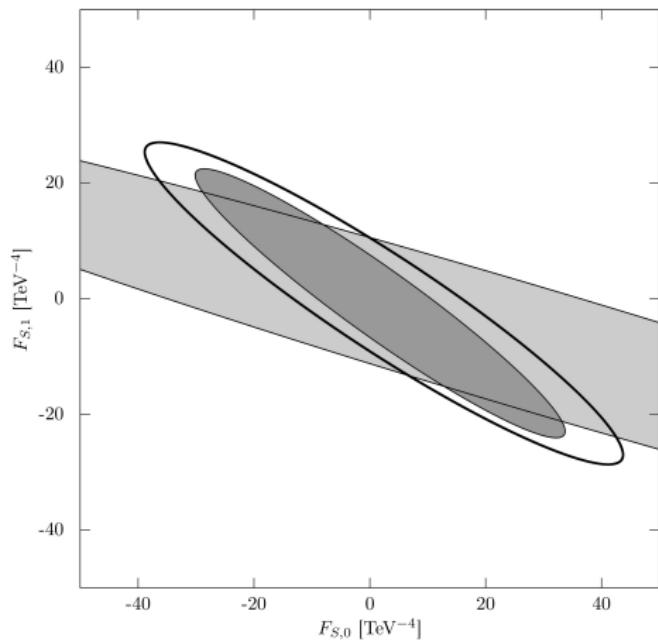
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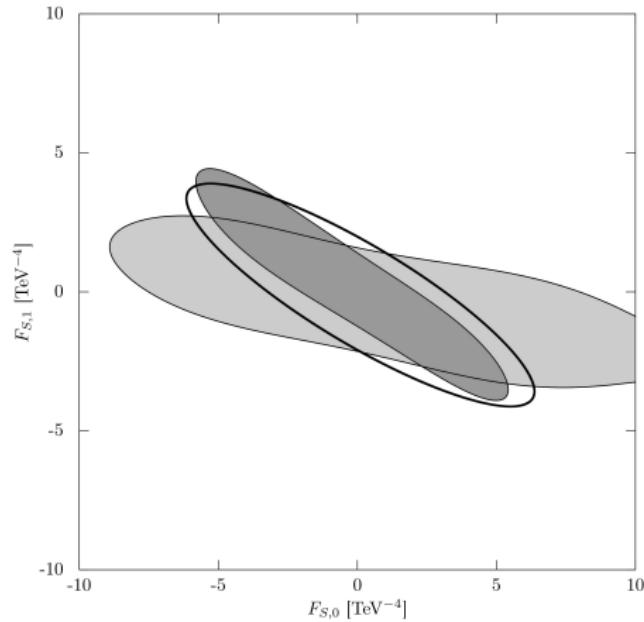
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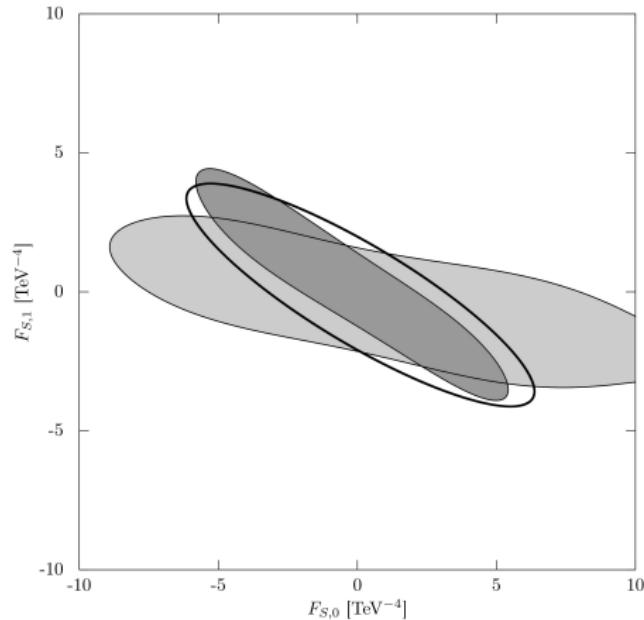
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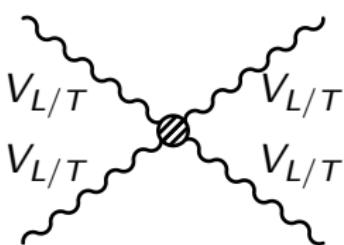
Max. photon induced bkg.: exclusion sensitivities worsen  $\approx 15 - 20\%$

# Conclusion

- CLIC offers great possibilities for measuring anomalous gauge couplings.
- Exclusion sensitivities can be enhanced.
- Measurements are complementary to the LHC measurements.
- Especially BeamCal and LumiCal detectors important to reduce background.

# Outlook

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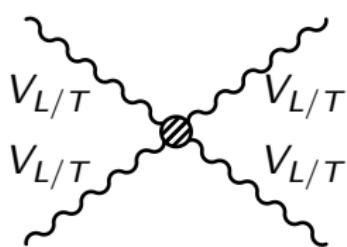


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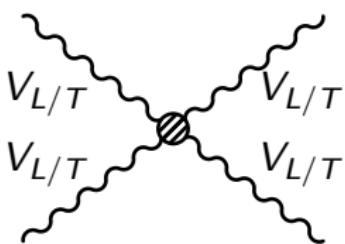
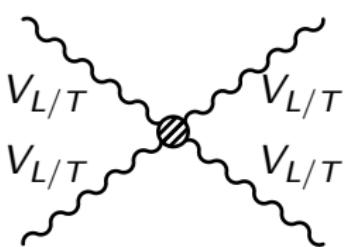


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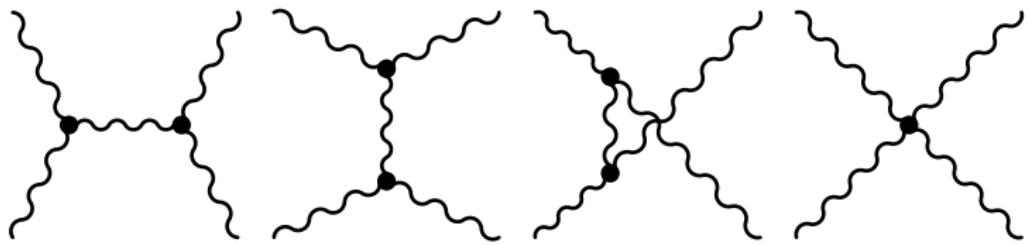
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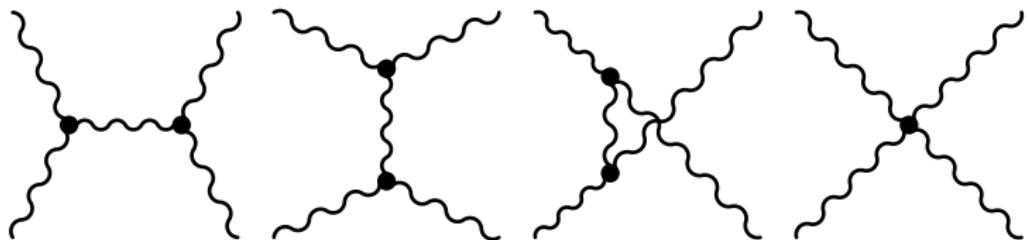
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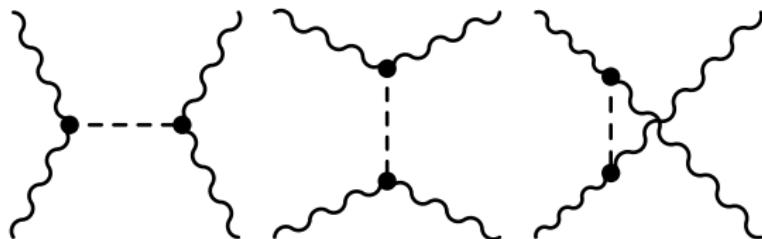


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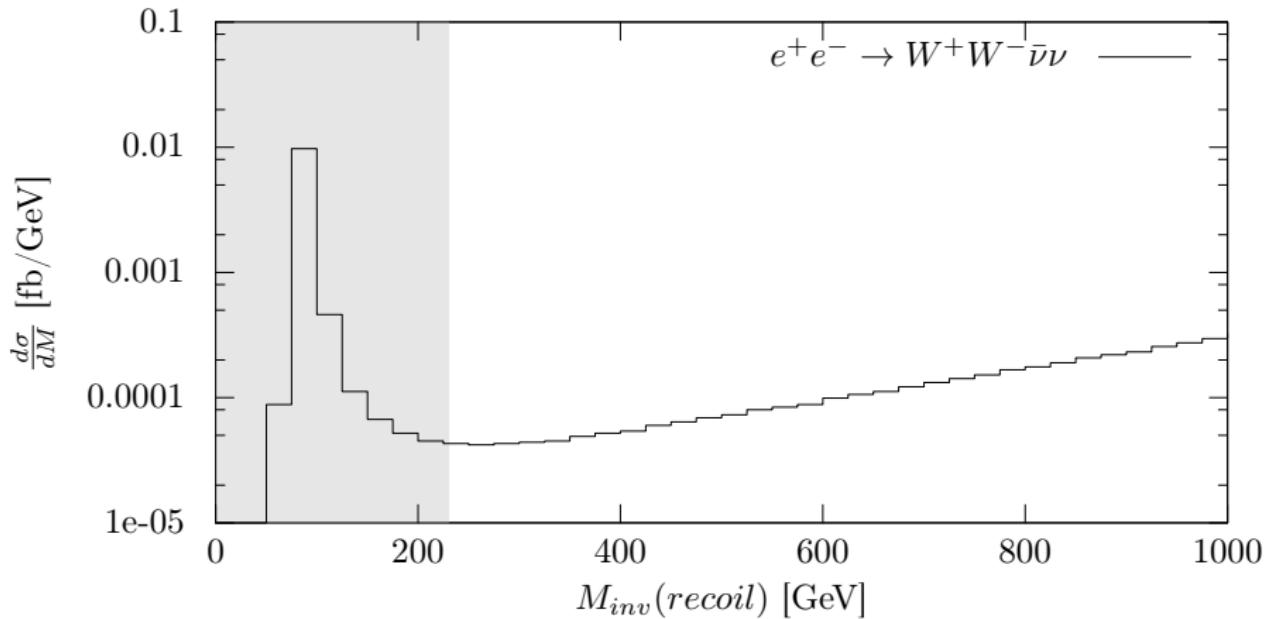


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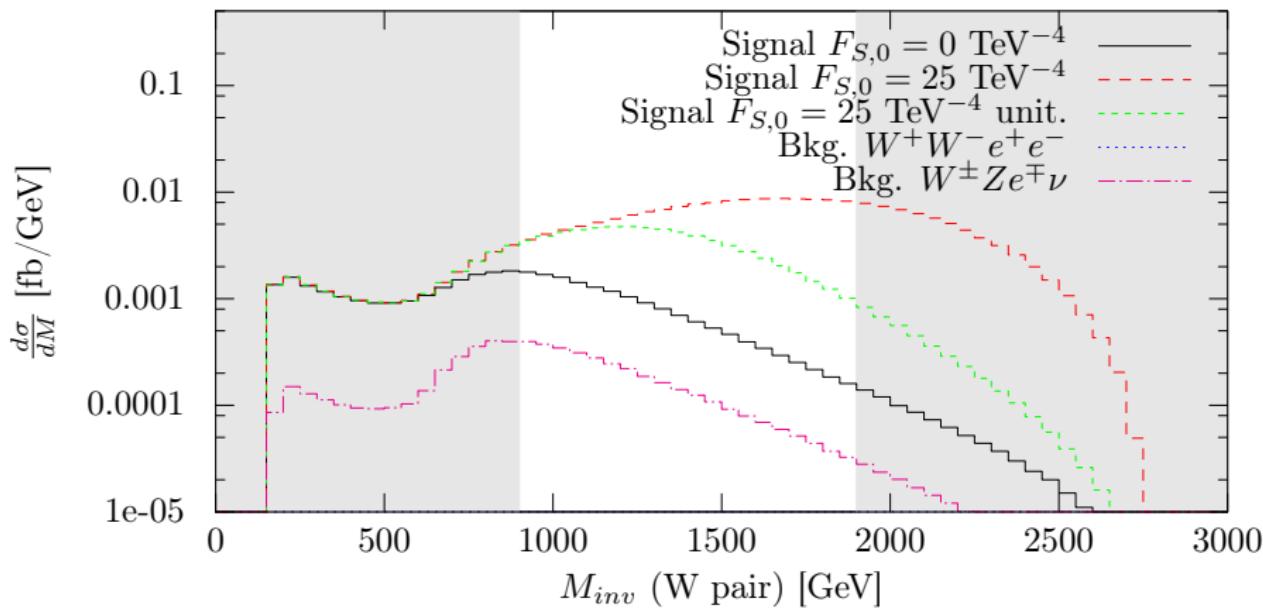
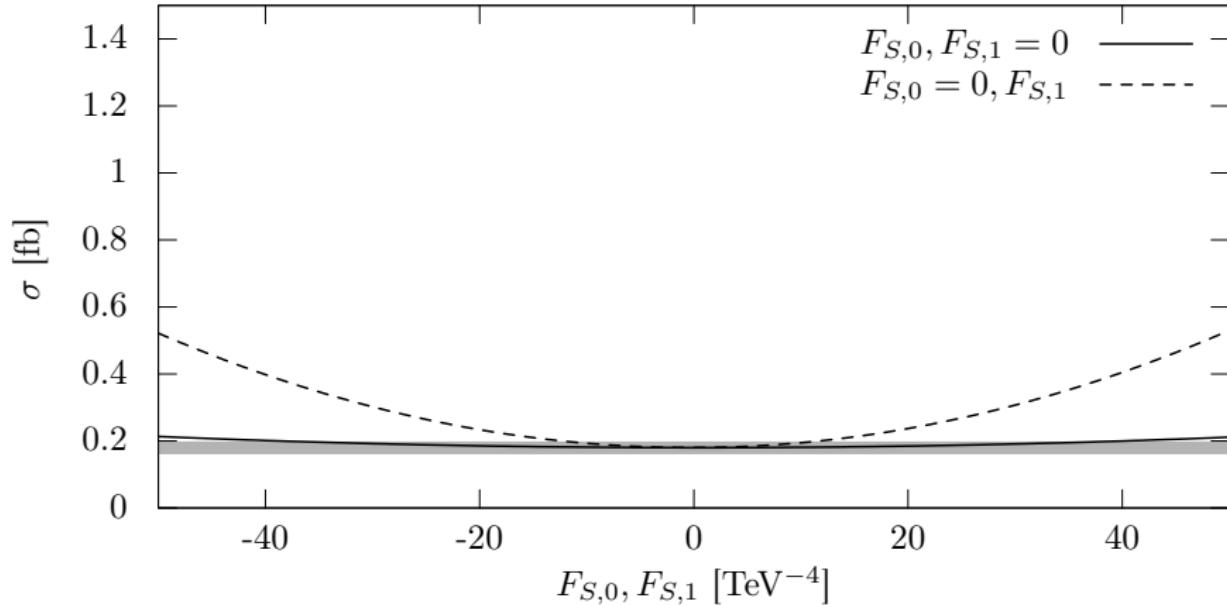


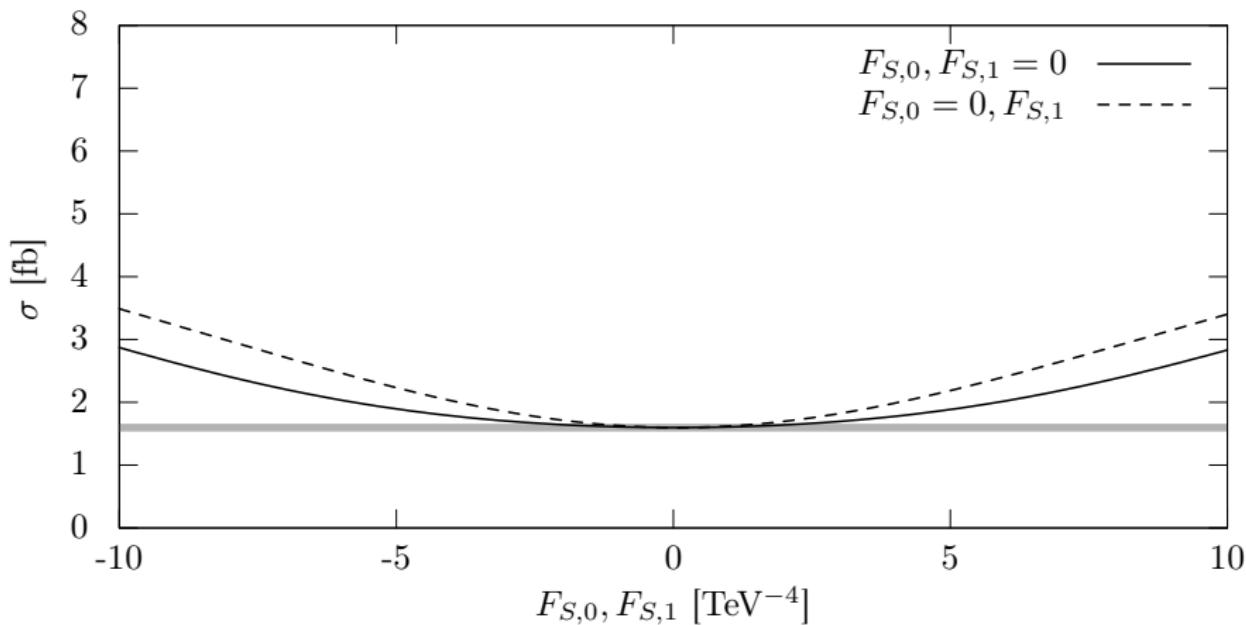
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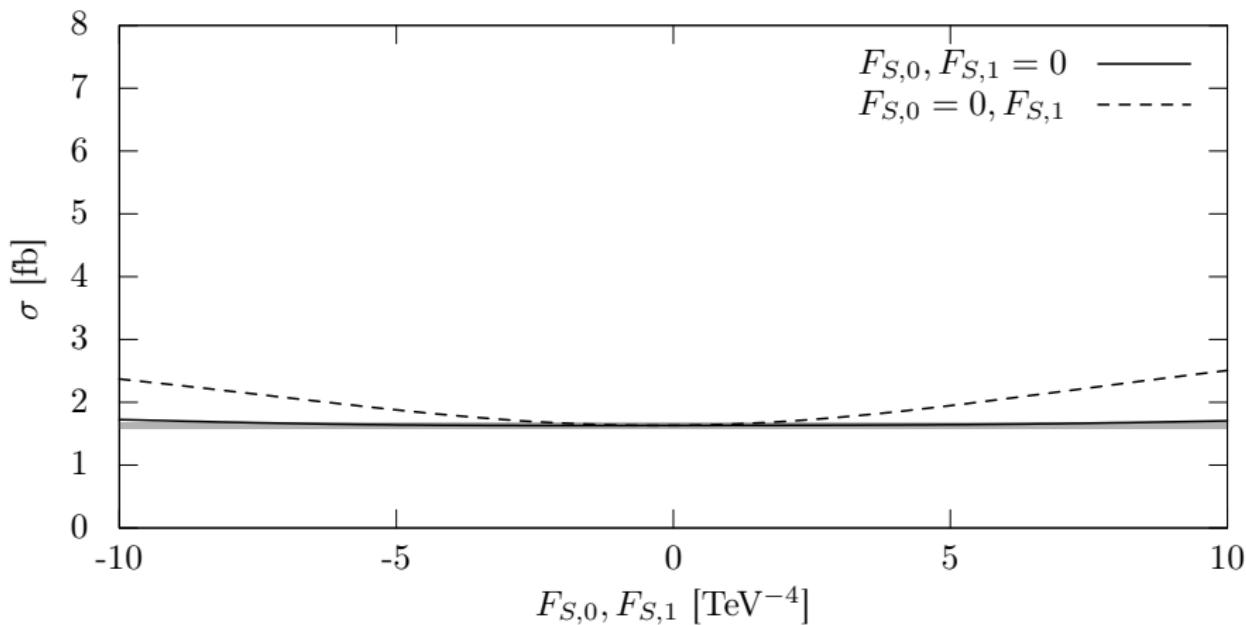
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