

# Multi-Scalar production at hadron colliders

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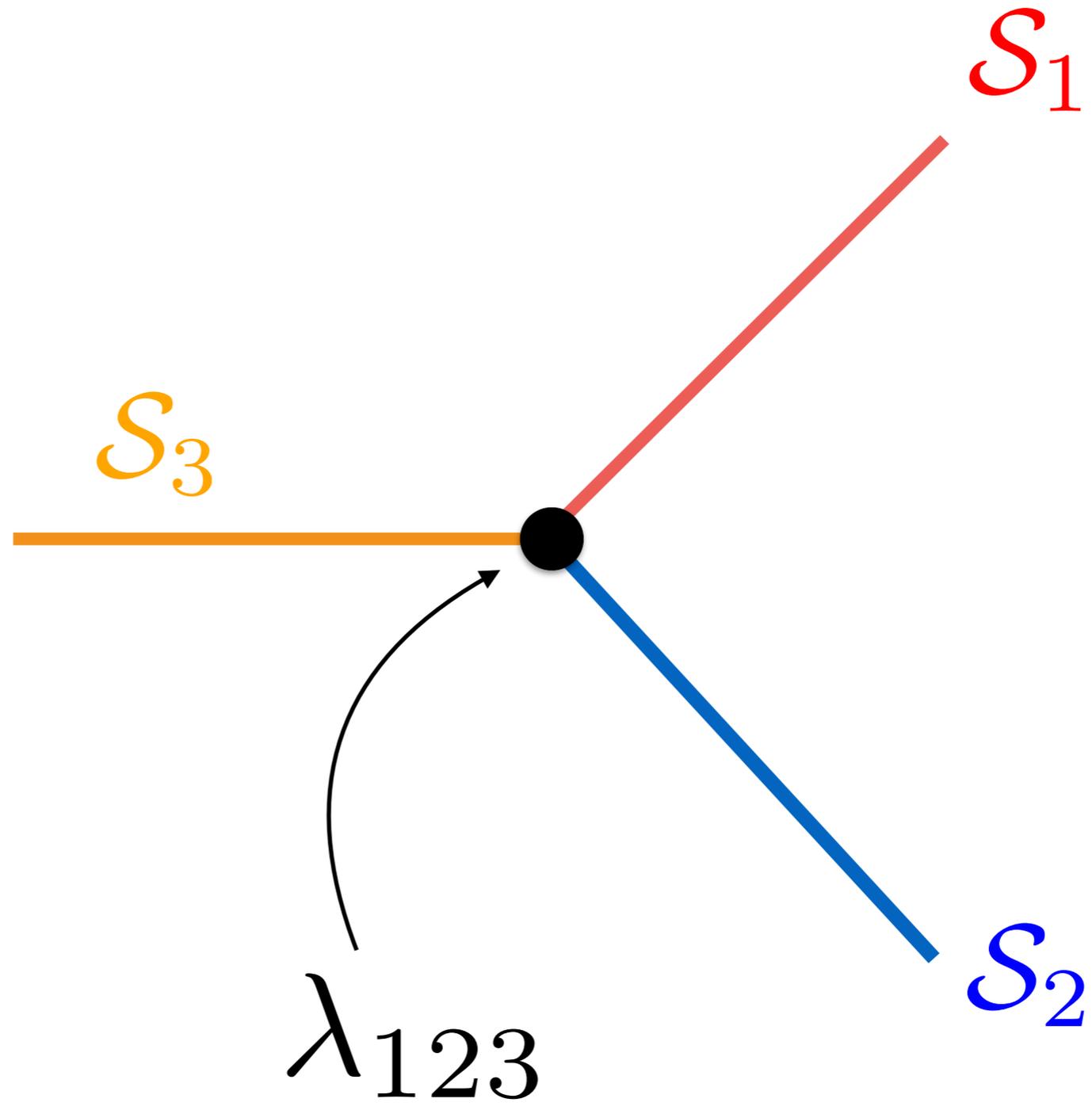


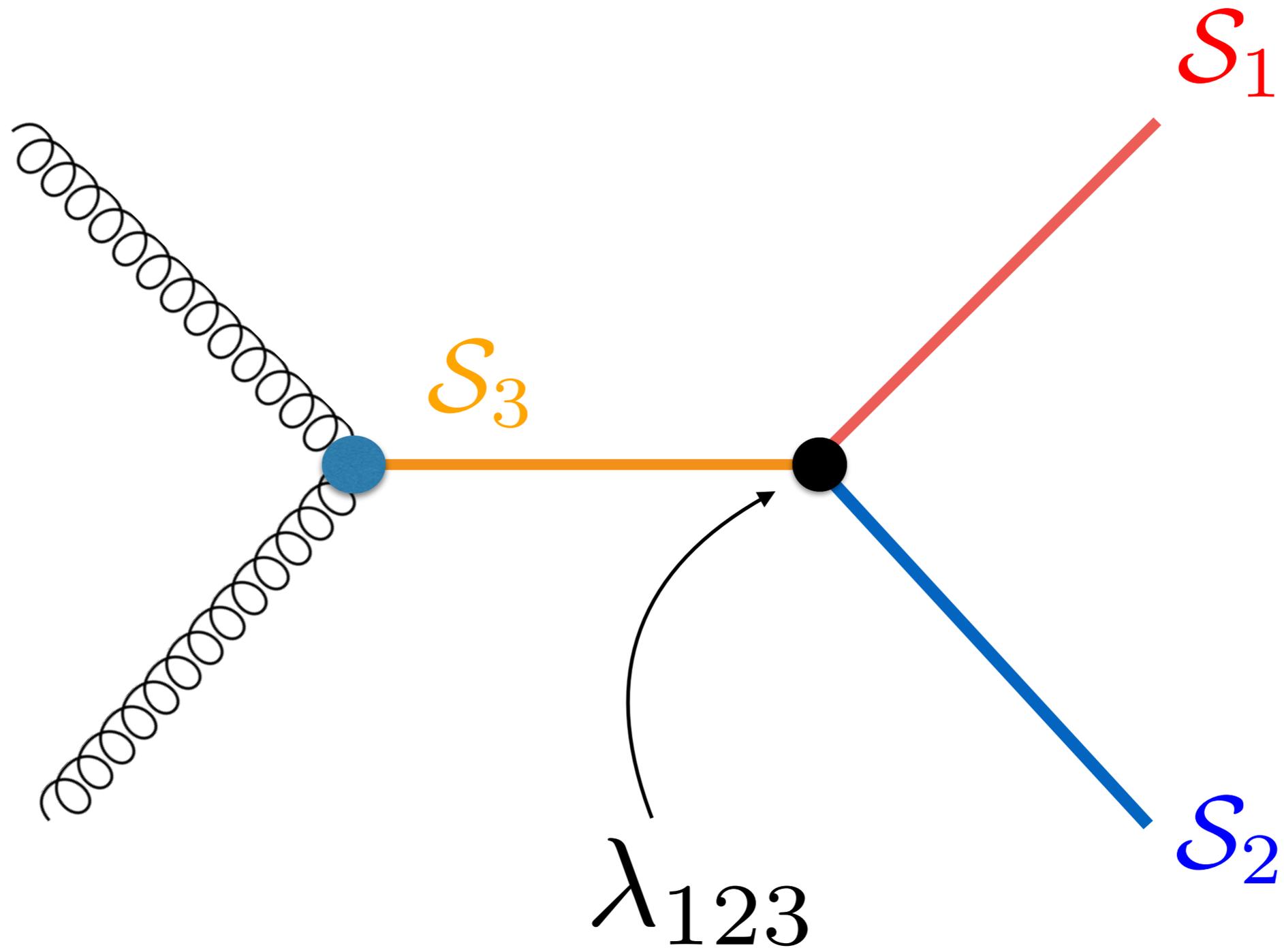
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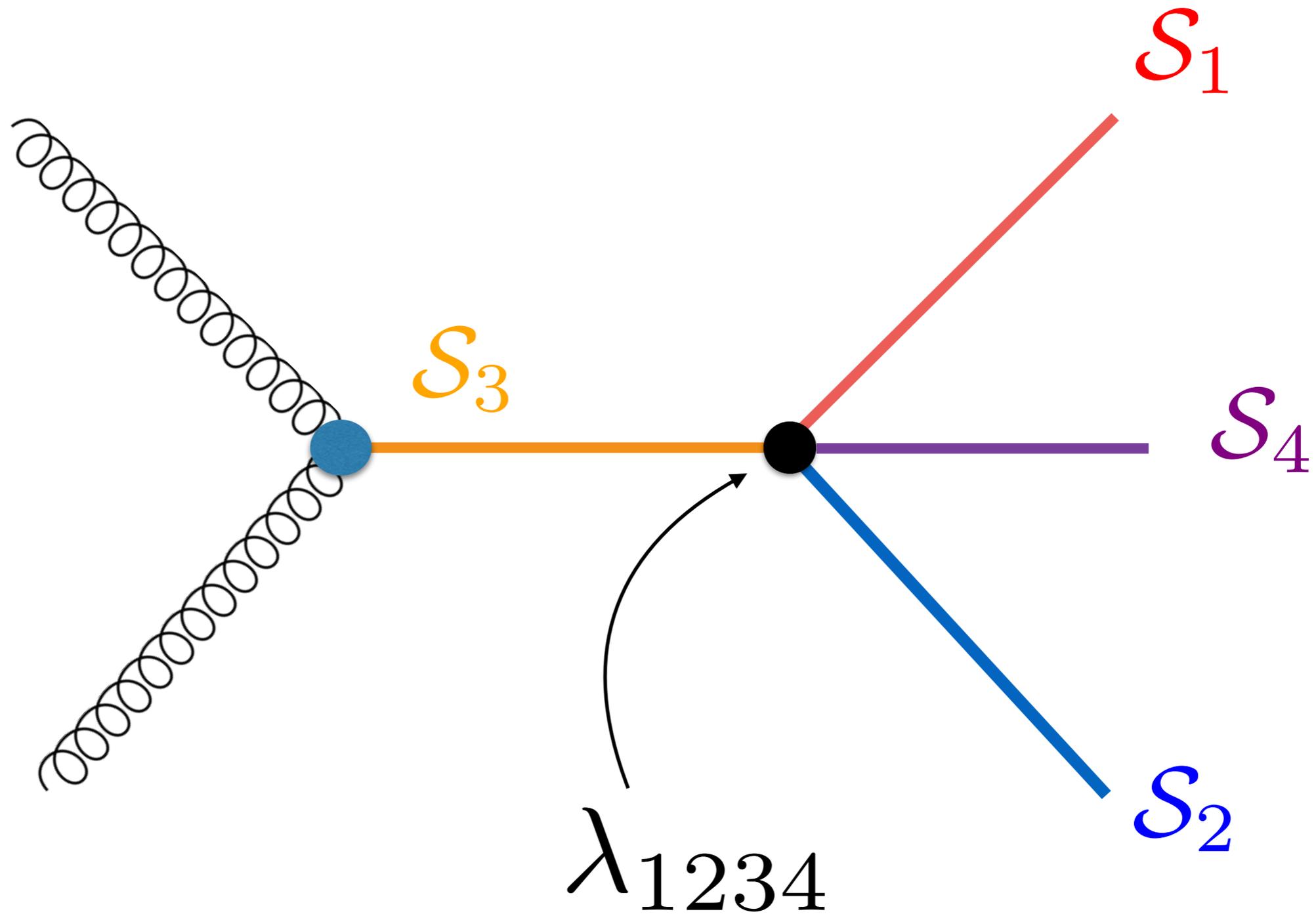


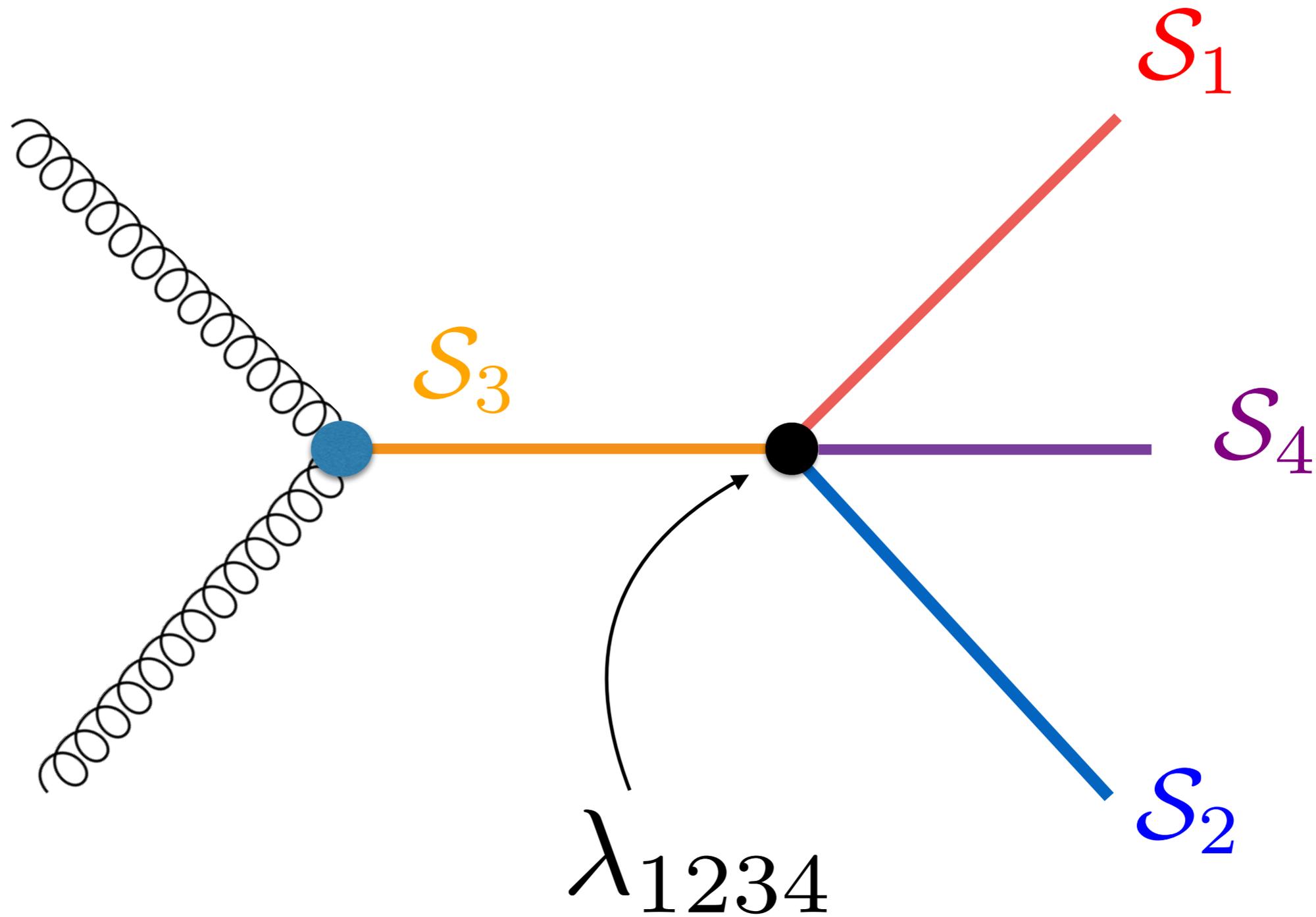
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# introduction

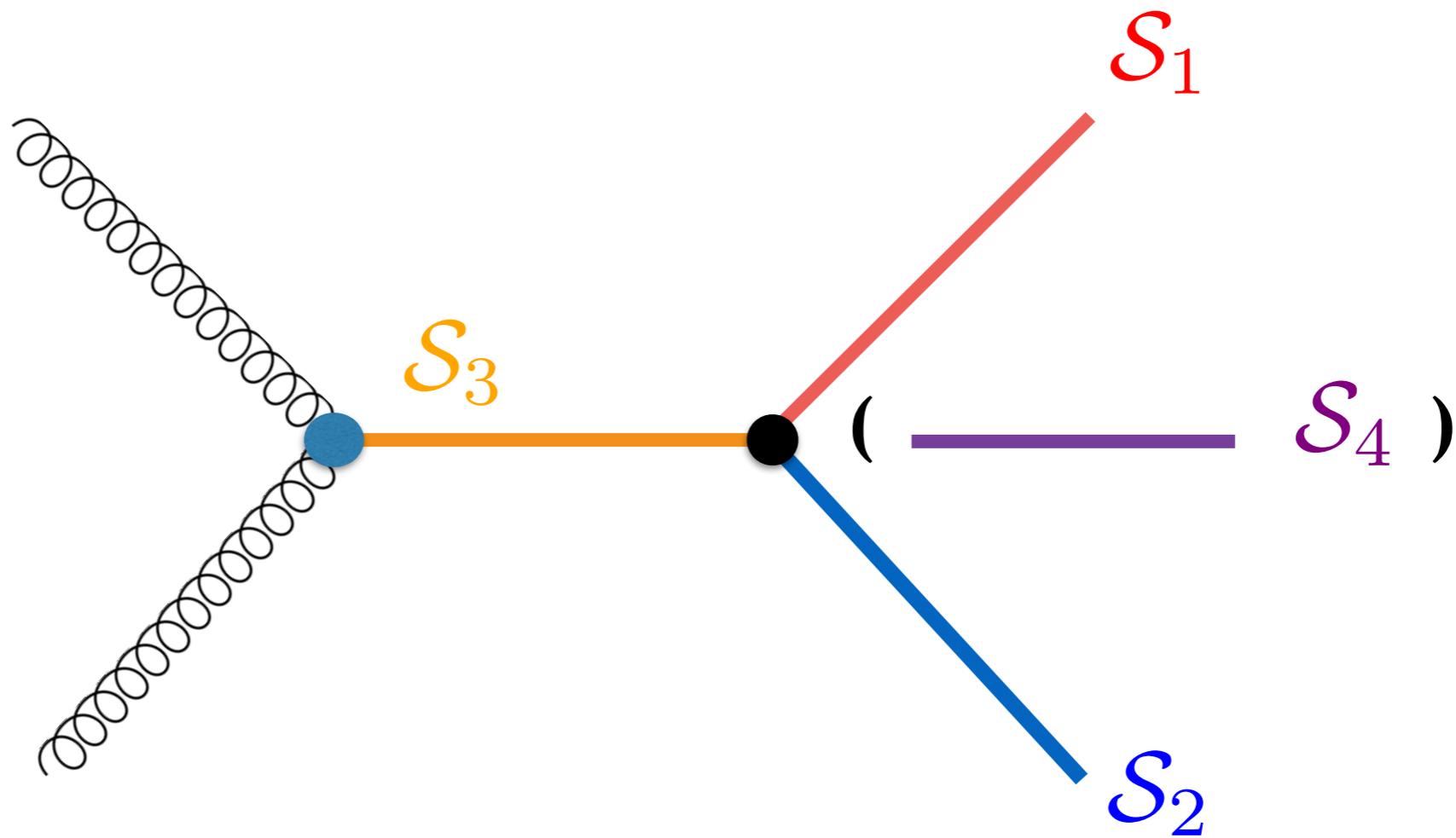








$$\mathcal{L} \supset \lambda_{123} \Lambda \mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2 \mathcal{S}_3 + \lambda_{1234} \mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2 \mathcal{S}_3 \mathcal{S}_4$$



• this talk:

$\mathcal{S}_1 = \mathcal{S}_2 = \mathcal{S}_3 = h \rightarrow$  Higgs **pair** production.  $\rightarrow \lambda_3$

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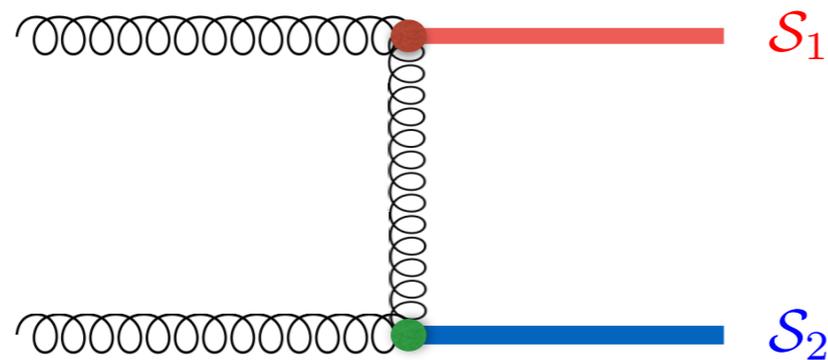
$\mathcal{S}_1 = h, \mathcal{S}_2 = S, \mathcal{S}_3 = \{S, h\} \rightarrow$  Higgs-**New Scalar** production.  $\rightarrow \lambda_{HS}$

“portal coupling”

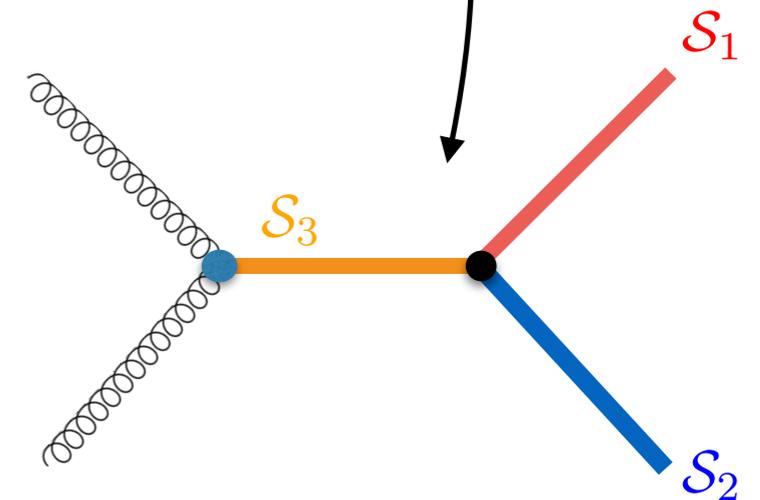
# comments:

- “self-coupling” diagrams *not the only* diagrams contributing to the multi-Scalar final states.
- in fact, could be *suppressed* with respect to other diagrams: e.g. propagator suppression.
- [+other NP effects can be probed - see later!]

e.g.



VS



# outline

- multi-Higgs ( $hh$ ,  $hhh$ ) production: phenomenology @ LHC & beyond.
- Higgs-Heavy Scalar ( $hS$ ) associated production.
- conclusions.

# multi-Higgs production

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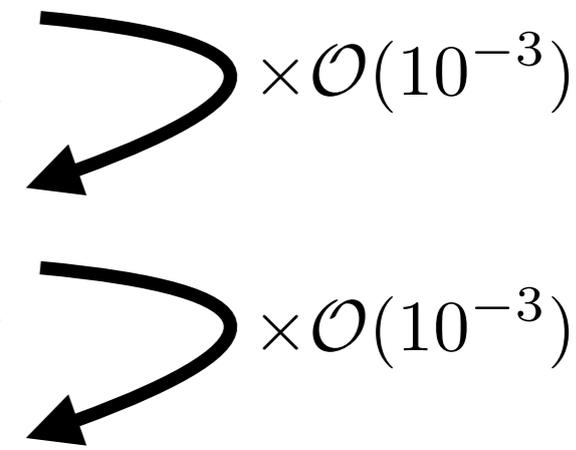
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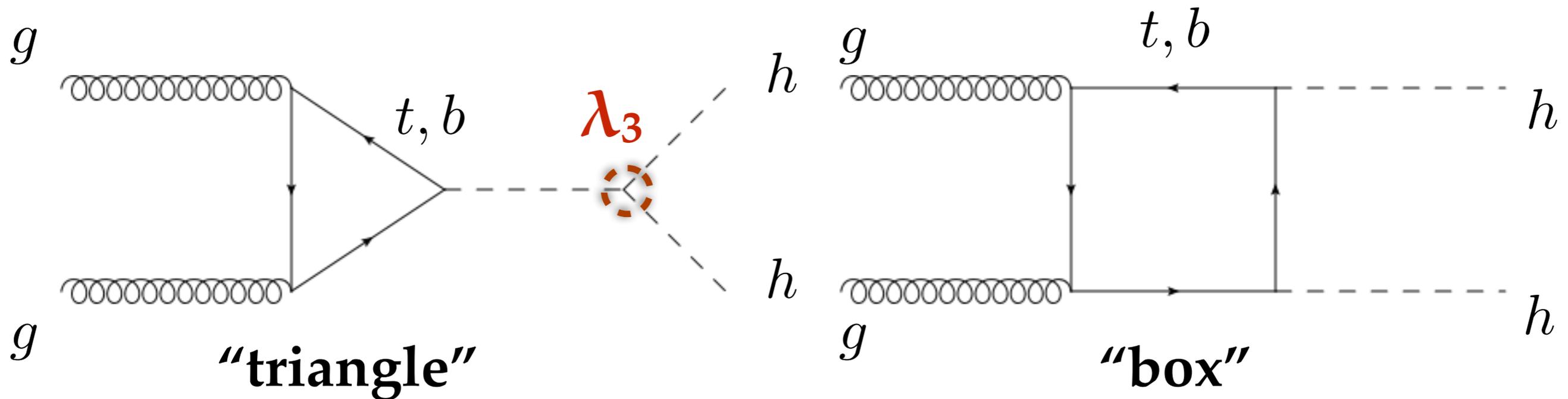
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# Higgs boson pair production

- dominant piece of  $hh$ : gluon fusion, via heavy quark loops,  
[for VBF  $hh$  study: Bishara, Contino, Rojo, 1611.03860]
- at leading order:



- cannot use heavy top mass approximation (Higgs Effective Field Theory = HEFT) to "shrink" loops, since:

$$Q^2 \geq 4m_h^2 > m_t^2$$

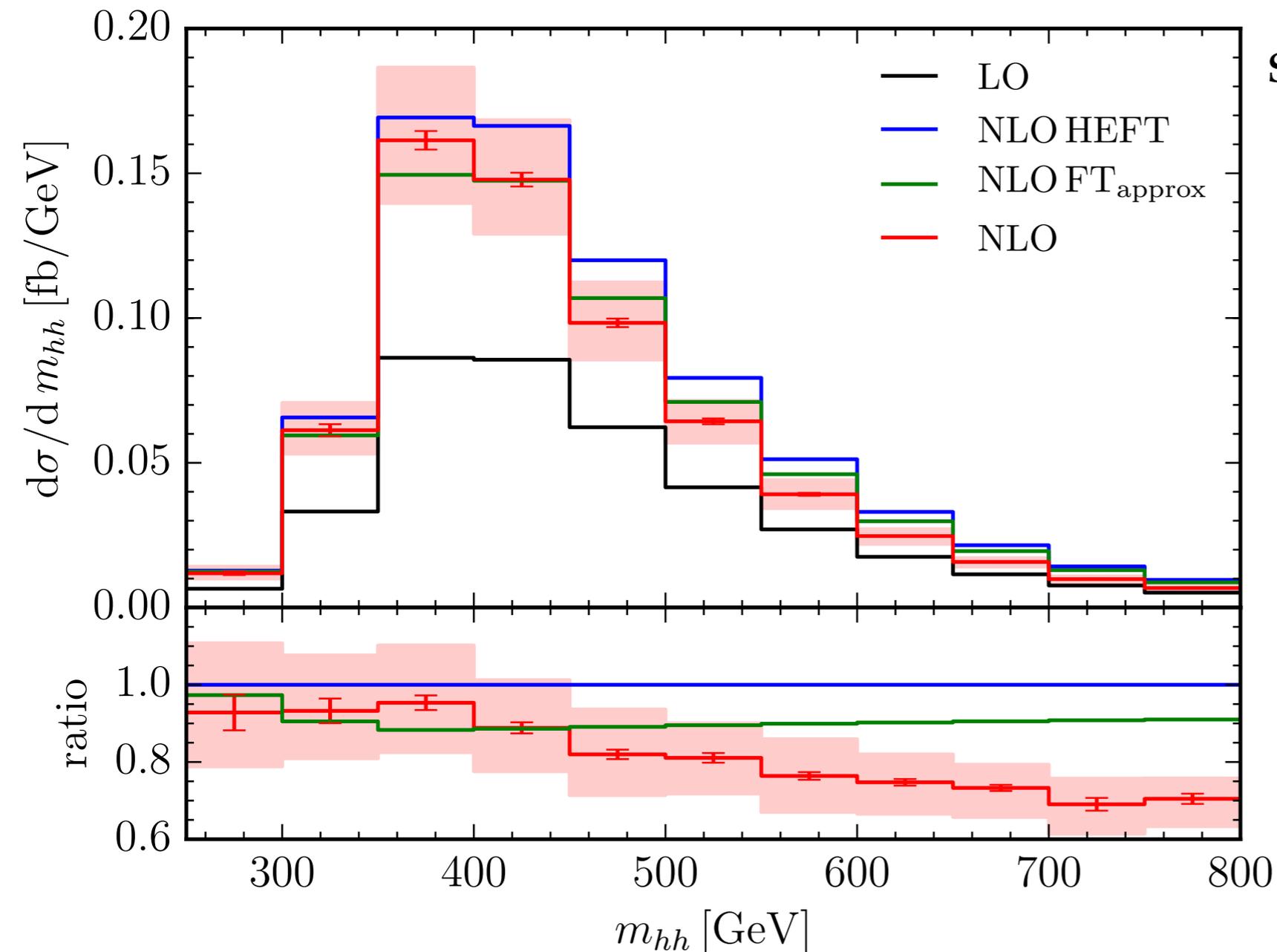
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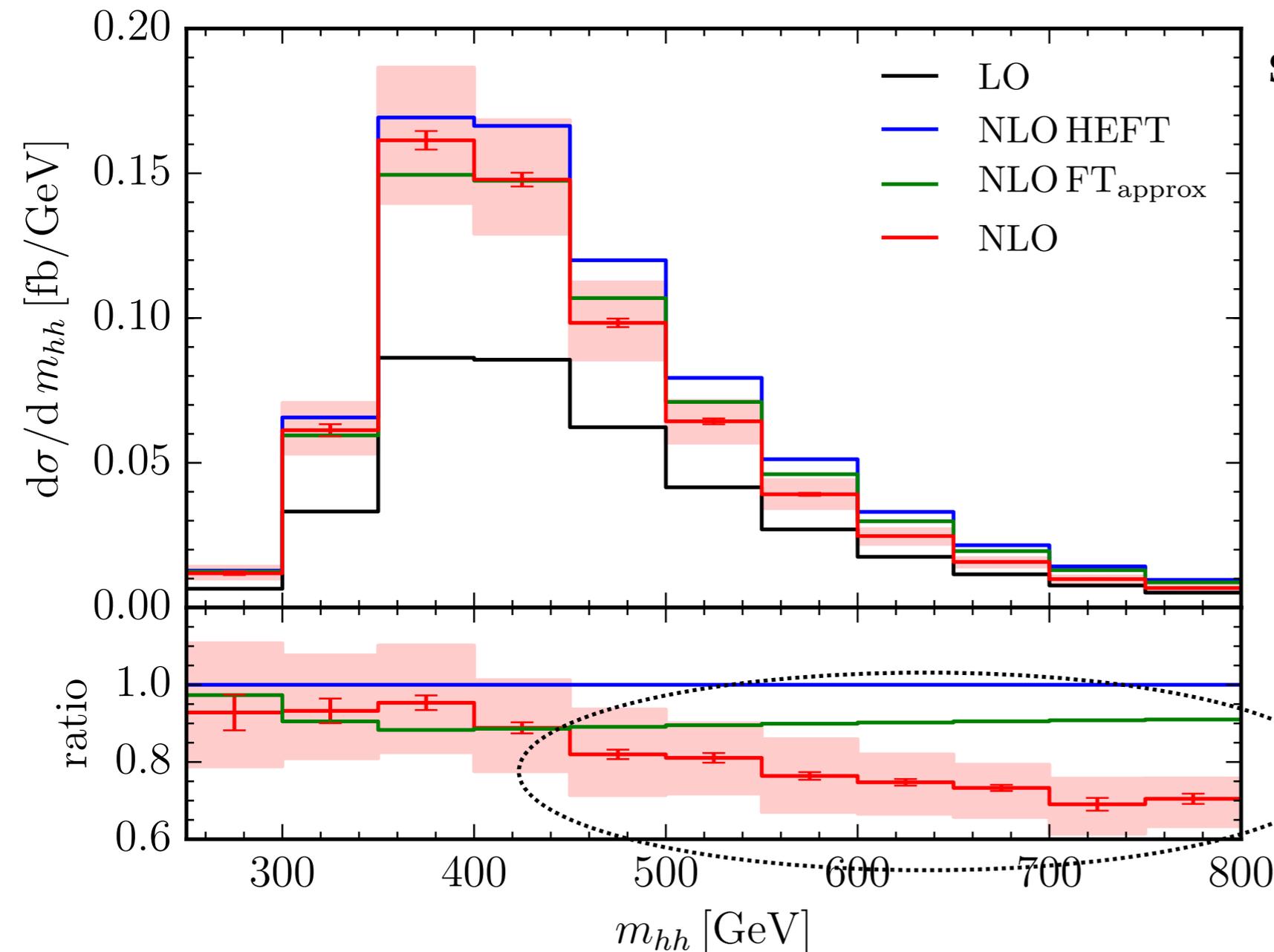
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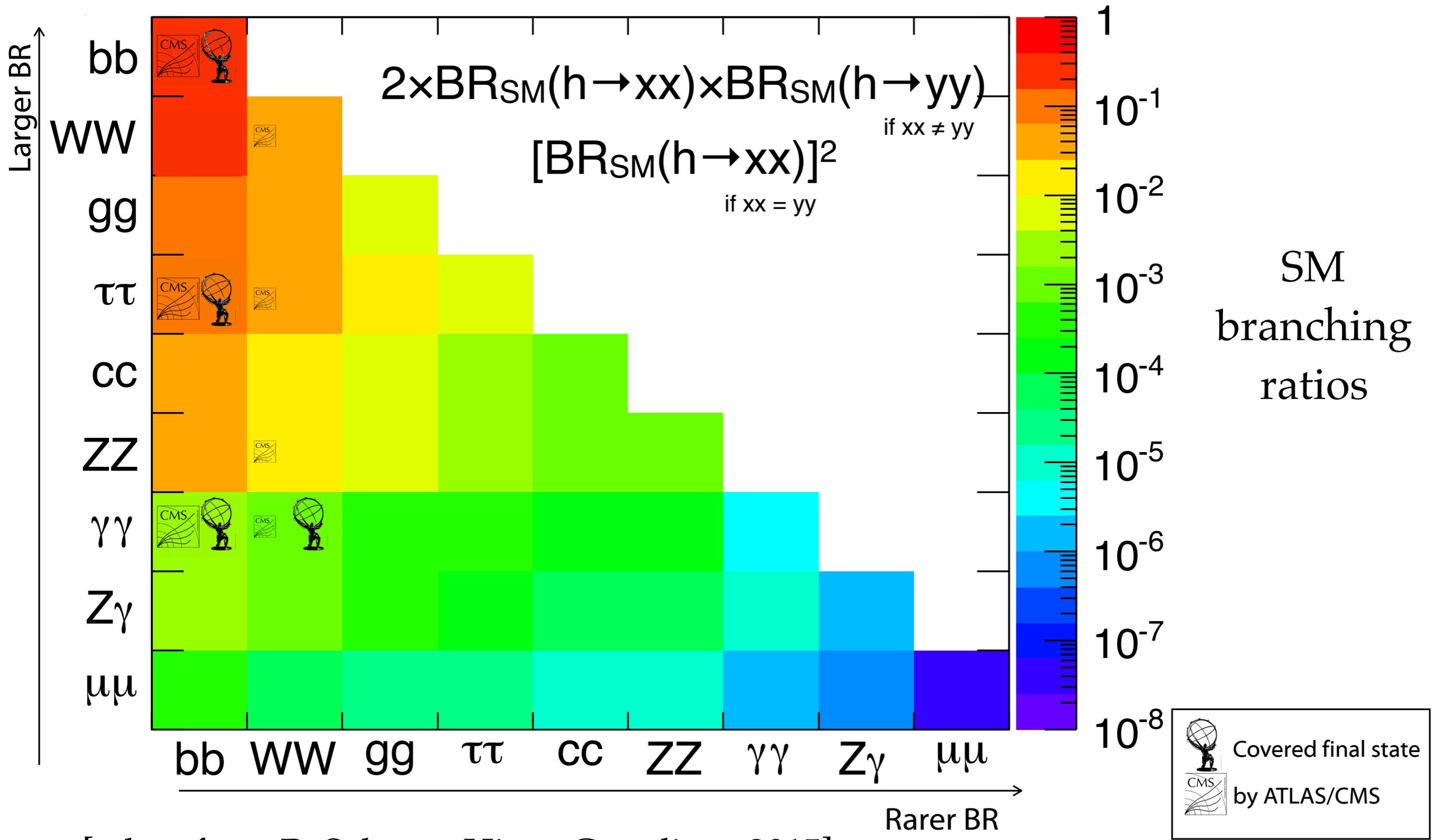
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“calculation important for reliable predictions in full invariant mass range.”

# multi-Higgs searches at colliders

# hh @ LHC



[taken from R. Salerno, Higgs Couplings 2015]

# *hh* @ LHC

- not sensitive to SM Higgs pair production until  $\sim$  a few hundred inv. femtobarn.
- currently: limit is at  $\sim 50$  times the SM cross section. [e.g. ATLAS, 1509.04670]

# *hh* @ HL-LHC

- high-luminosity LHC (pp@14 TeV, 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>)  
projections **pessimistic**, e.g.:
  - CMS, all channels, 2 $\sigma$  observation of SM *hh*,
  - ATLAS (*b $\bar{b}$* )( $\gamma\gamma$ ),  $\lambda_3/\lambda_{3,SM}$  in [-1.3, 8.7], (@ 95% C.L.)
- experiments discussing combination of results.  
[see, e.g., Goertz, AP, Yang, Zurita, 1301.3492]
- O(1) measurement after HL-LHC (?).

# double Higgs production at 100 TeV

- cross section increases dramatically at pp@100 TeV ( $\sim 1.8$  pb),

- several pheno studies focus on  $hh \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(\gamma\gamma)$  .

[Azatov, Contino, Panico, Son, 1502.00539, Barr, Dolan, Englert, de Lima, Spannowsky, 1412.7154, He, Ren, Yao, 1506.03302]

- estimated measurement of  $\pm 5\%$   $\lambda_3$  at  $30 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity [see FCC-hh Higgs report: 1606.09408].

- “new” final states, e.g.:

$$hh \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(ZZ) \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(4\ell)$$

[AP, 1504.04621]

$$hh \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(W^+W^-)/(\tau^+\tau^-) \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(2\ell)$$

$$hh \rightarrow (W^+W^-)(W^+W^-) \rightarrow 3\ell jj$$

[Li, Li, Yan, Zhao, 1503.07611]

# [brief intermission: indirect constraints on self-couplings @ LHC]

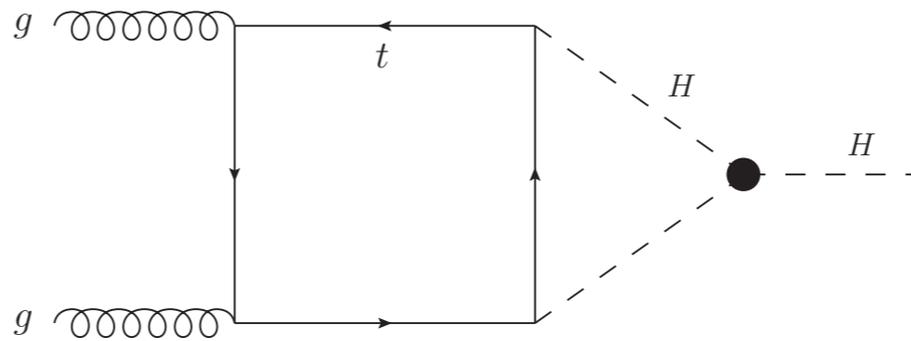
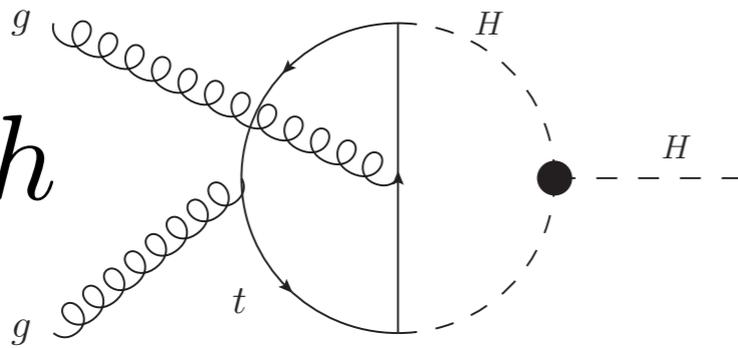
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- e.g. single Higgs boson production observables @

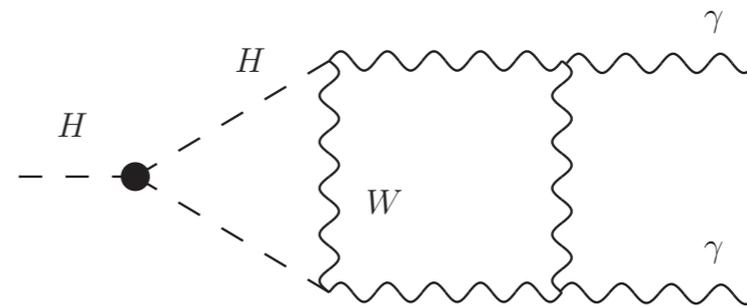
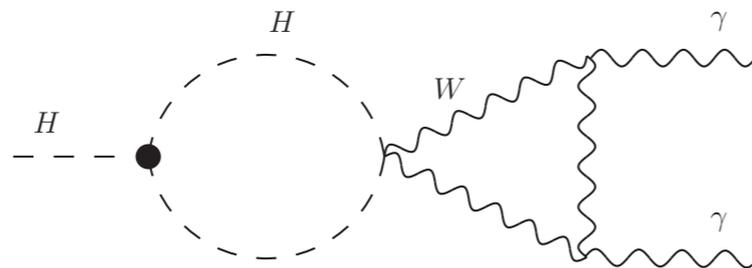
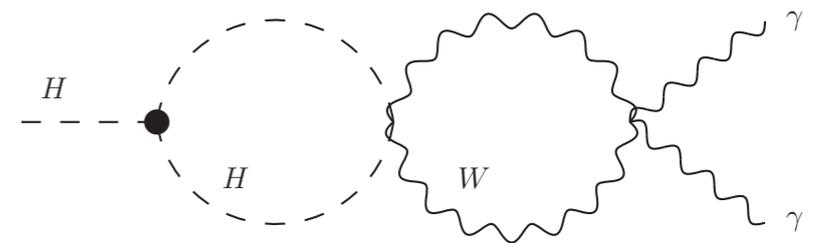
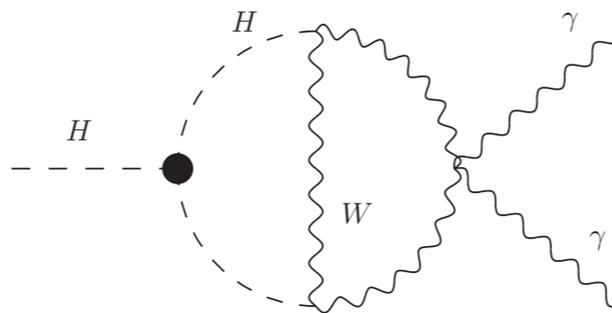
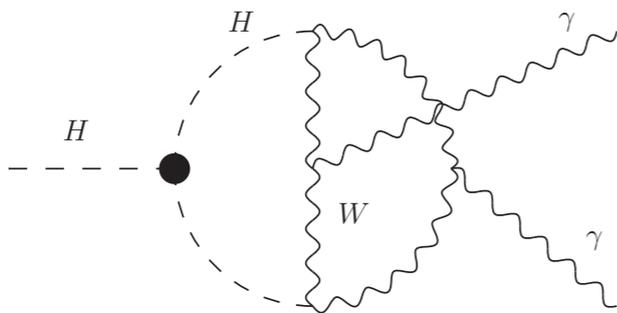
hadron colliders: [Gorbahn, Haisch, 1607.03773, Degrassi, Giardino, Maltoni, Pagani, 1607.04251, Bizoń, Gorbahn, Ulrich Haisch, Zanderighi, 1610.05771]

e.g.

$$gg \rightarrow h$$



$$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

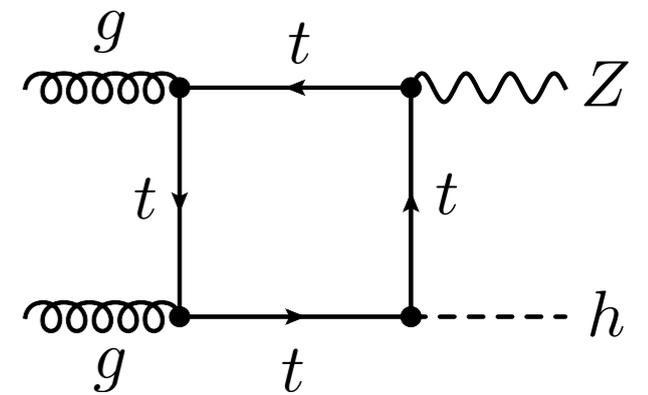
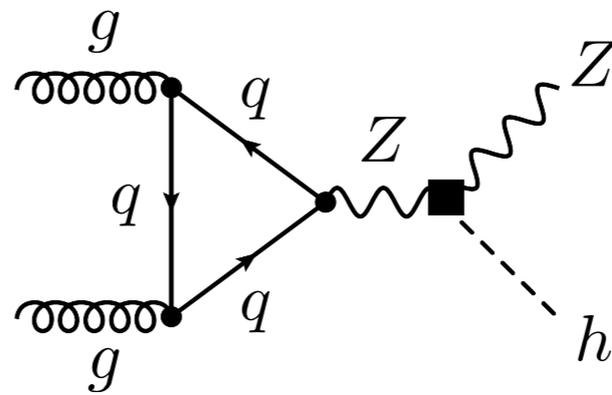
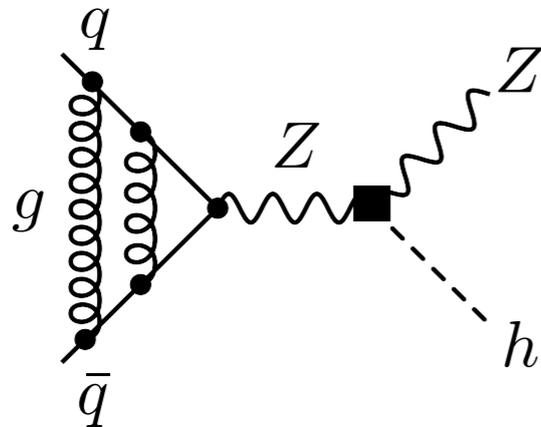


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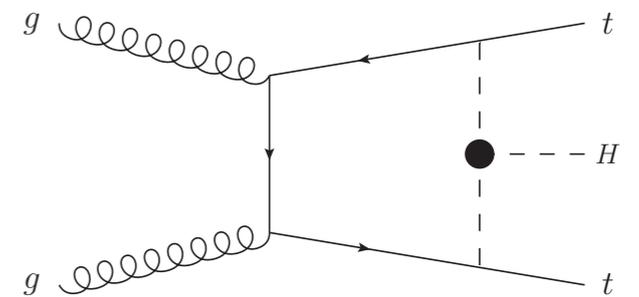
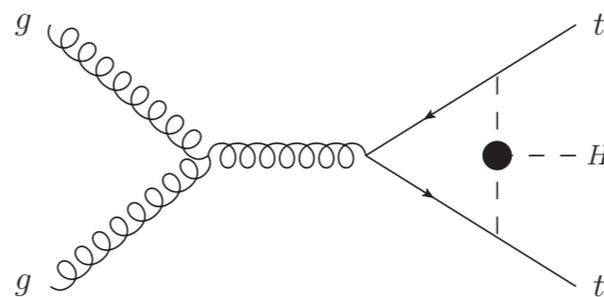
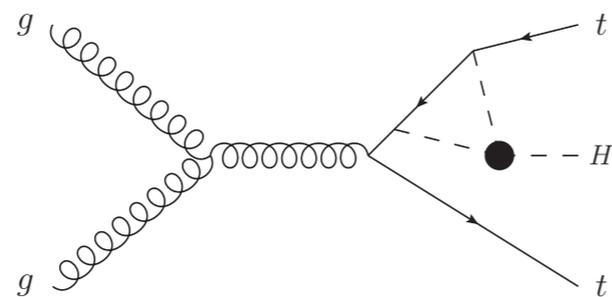
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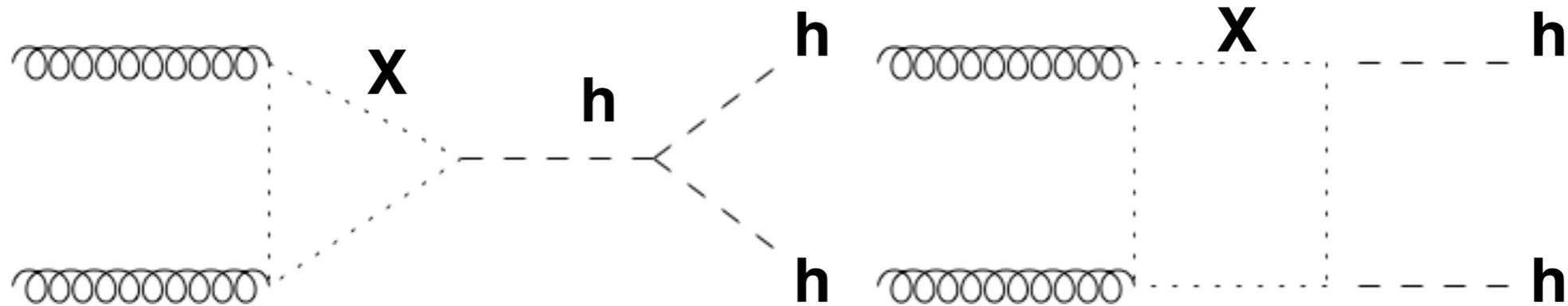


- bounds competitive with those from Higgs boson pair production.

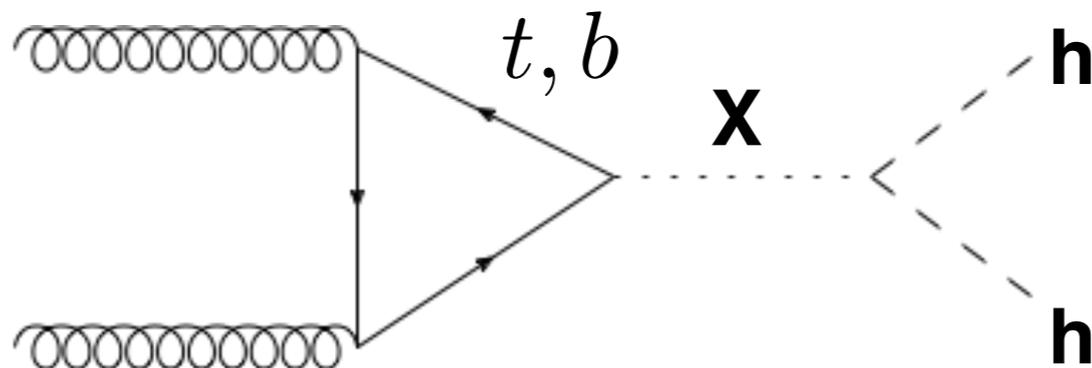
# BSM effects?

# new particles

- $hh$  can probe the presence of new particles:
- (a) e.g. in the loops:

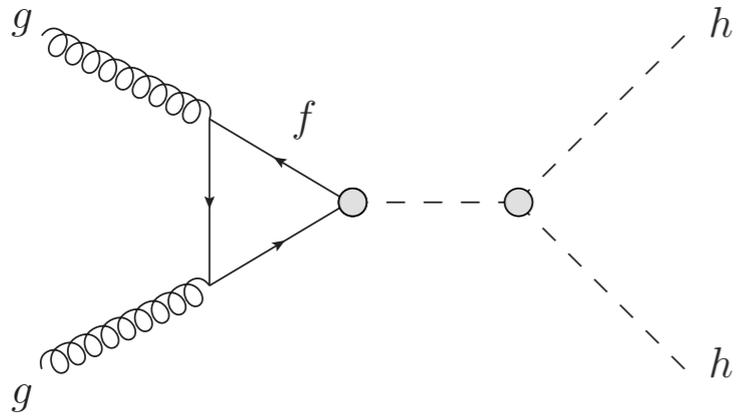


- (b) e.g. in a propagator coupling to two Higgs bosons:



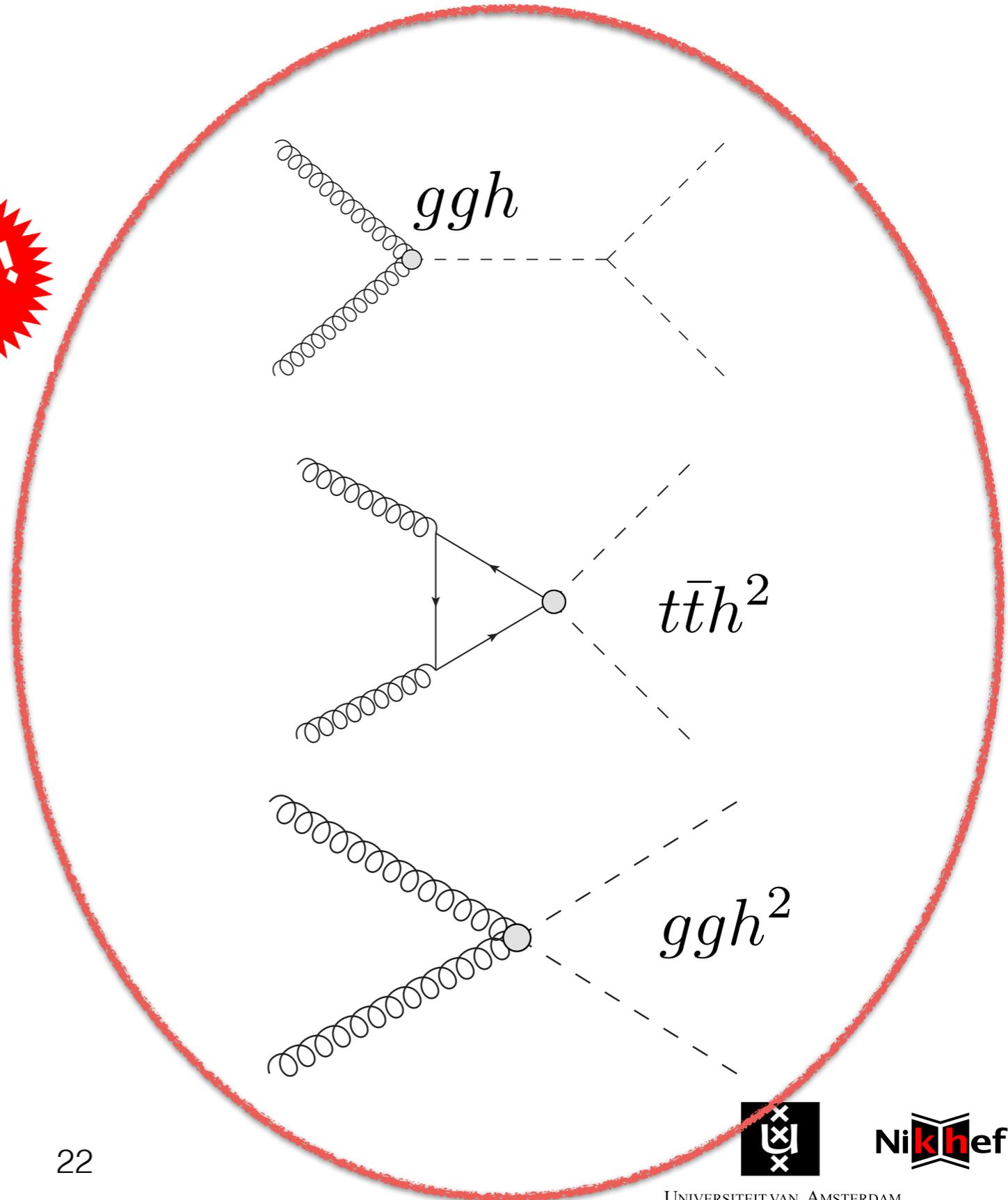
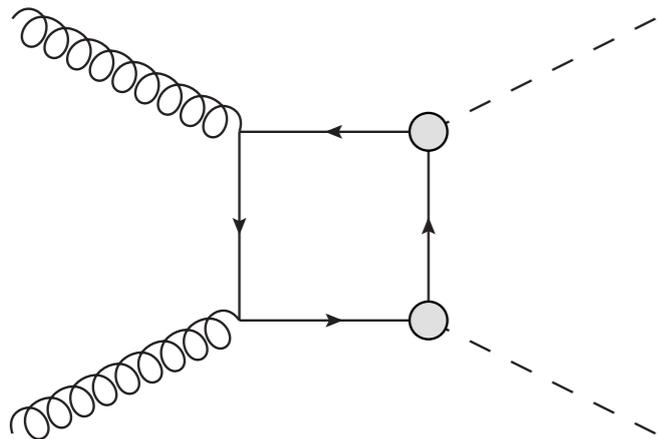
[ $hh$  resonances have already been searched for by ATLAS & CMS in Run 1: 1406.5053, CMS-PAS-HIG-13-032, 1503.04114]

# $hh$ in $D=6$ EFT



**NEW!**

[e.g. Goertz, AP, Yang, Zurita, 1410.3471]



# *hh*: left as an exercise

- **associated production modes:** e.g.  $t\bar{t}hh$   
→ the leading channel if triple coupling  $>$  SM value.

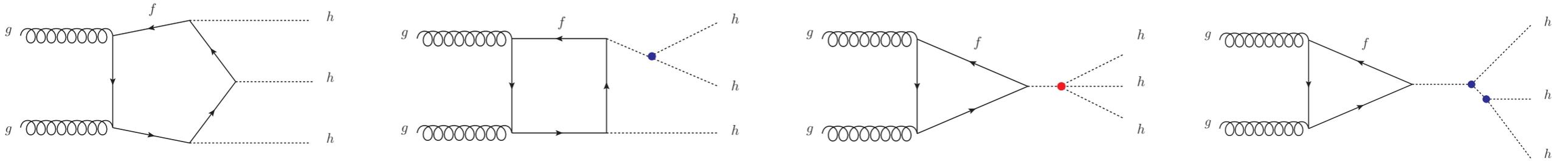
[Englert, Kraus, Spannowsky, Thompson, 1409.8074]

[+ *VBF, Whh, Zhh*]

- **$e^+e^-$  colliders,  $e^-p$  colliders,** [1306.6352 (ILC), hep-ph/0106315 (TESLA)]  
[Kumar, Ruan, Islam, Cornell, Klein, Klein, Mellado, 1509.0401]

- **more BSM studies!**

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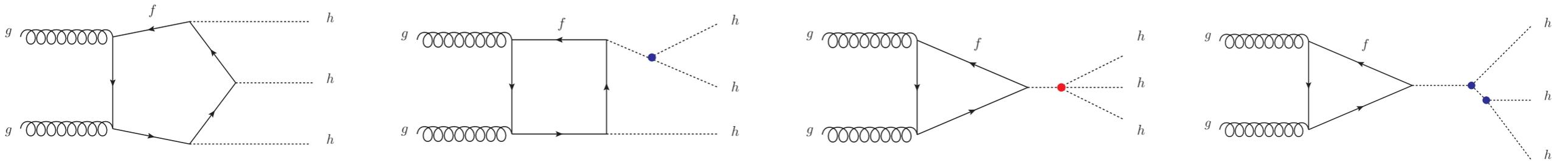


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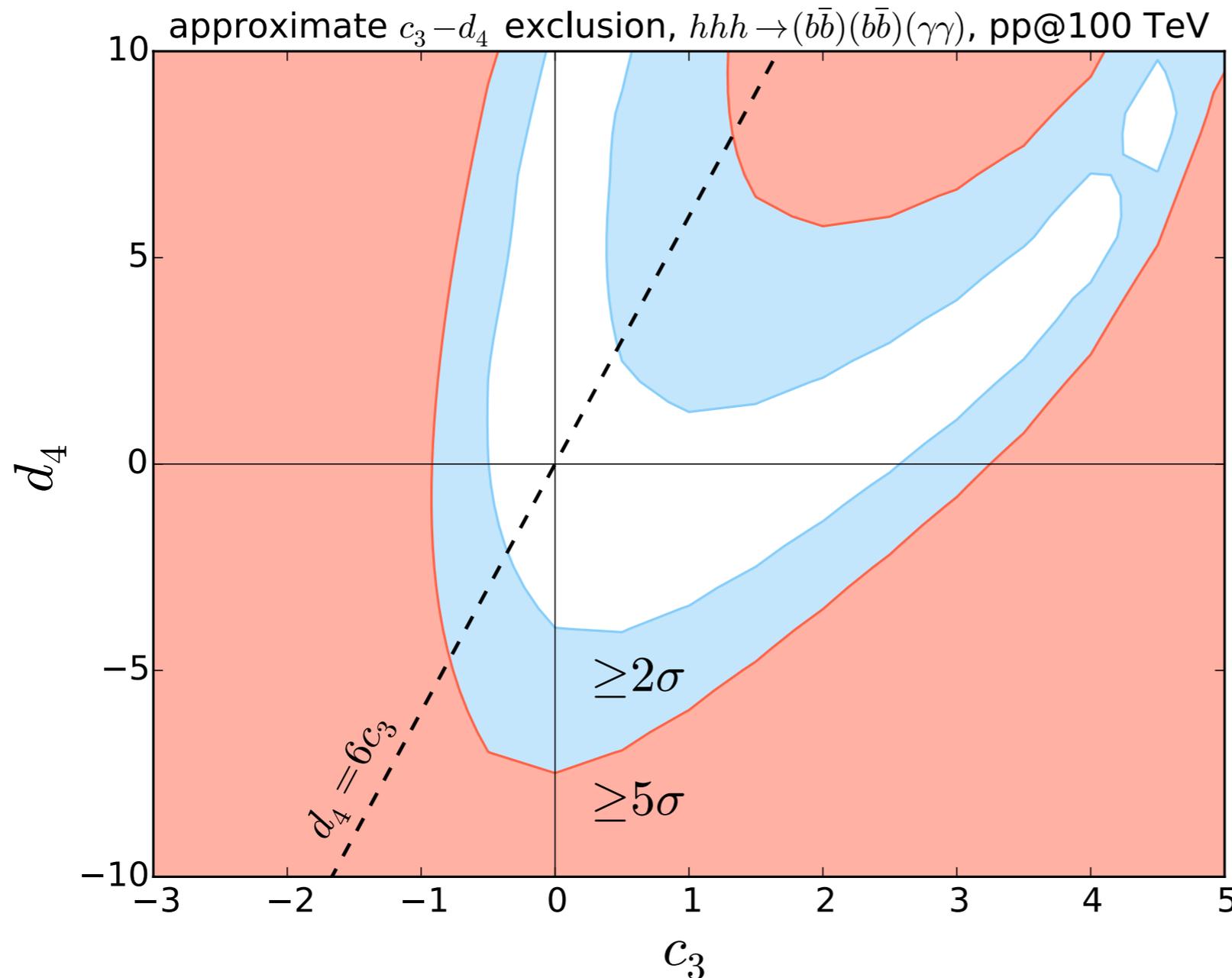
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$$\lambda_4/\lambda_{4,\text{SM}} = 1 + d_4$$

$$\lambda_3/\lambda_{3,\text{SM}} = 1 + c_3$$



for  $\lambda_3 = \lambda_{3,\text{SM}} \Rightarrow \lambda_4/\lambda_{4,\text{SM}} \in [\sim -4, \sim +16]$  @95% C.L.

# multi-Higgs: summary

	HL-LHC (14 TeV, 3000 fb <sup>-1</sup> )	pp@100 TeV (30 ab <sup>-1</sup> )
$\lambda_3$	$\mathcal{O}(1)$	$\mathcal{O}(5\%) - \mathcal{O}(10\%)$
$\lambda_4$		$\mathcal{O}(1) - \mathcal{O}(10)$

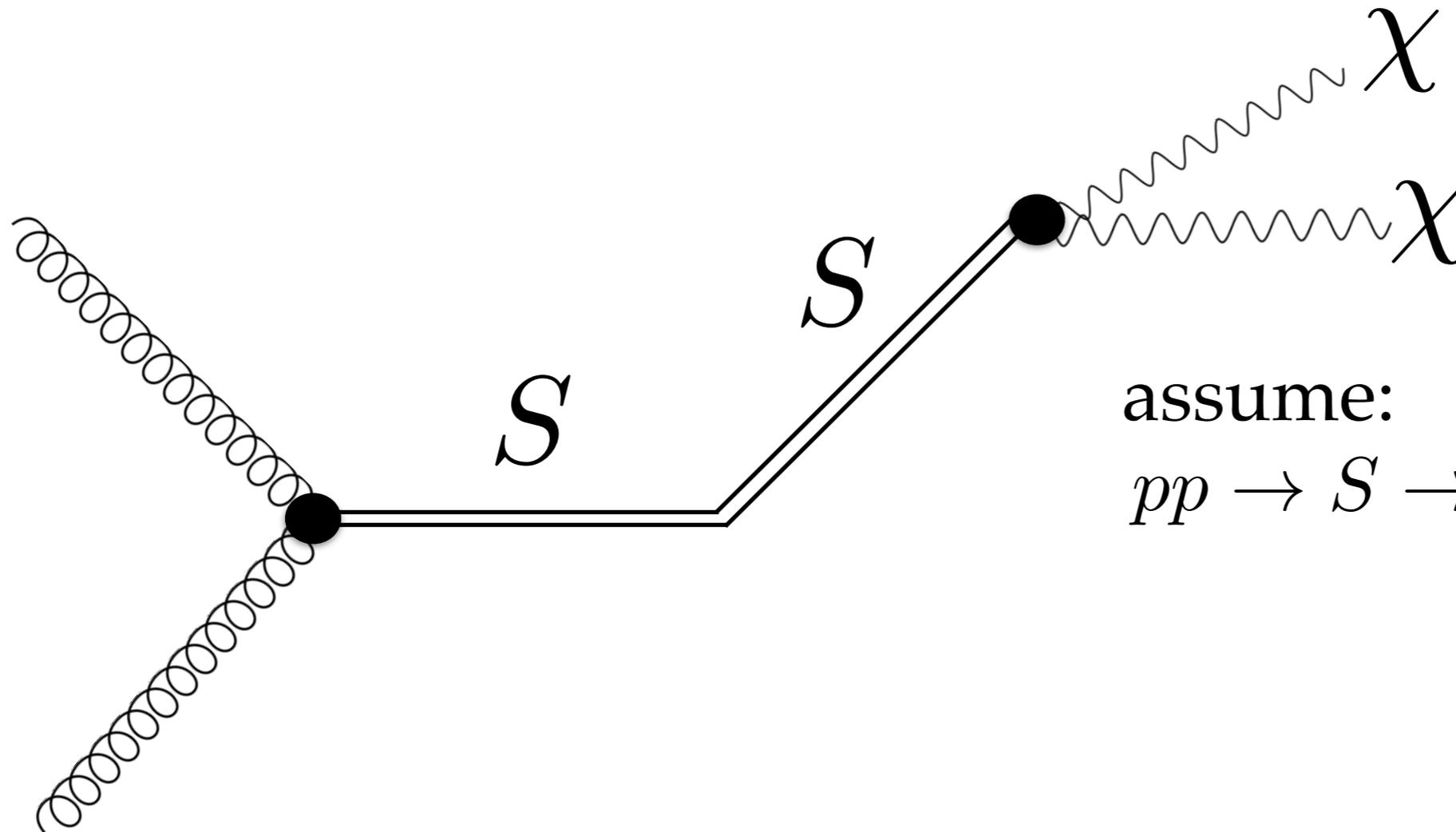
# Higgs-New Scalar associated production

# new scalar resonances

- the Higgs boson is the first (seemingly) fundamental scalar we know of: could there be more?
- if so: they could be related to the Higgs boson and EWSB.
- could we measure their couplings to the Higgs boson?

# single production of a singlet scalar $S$

[Carmona, Goertz, AP, 1606.02716]

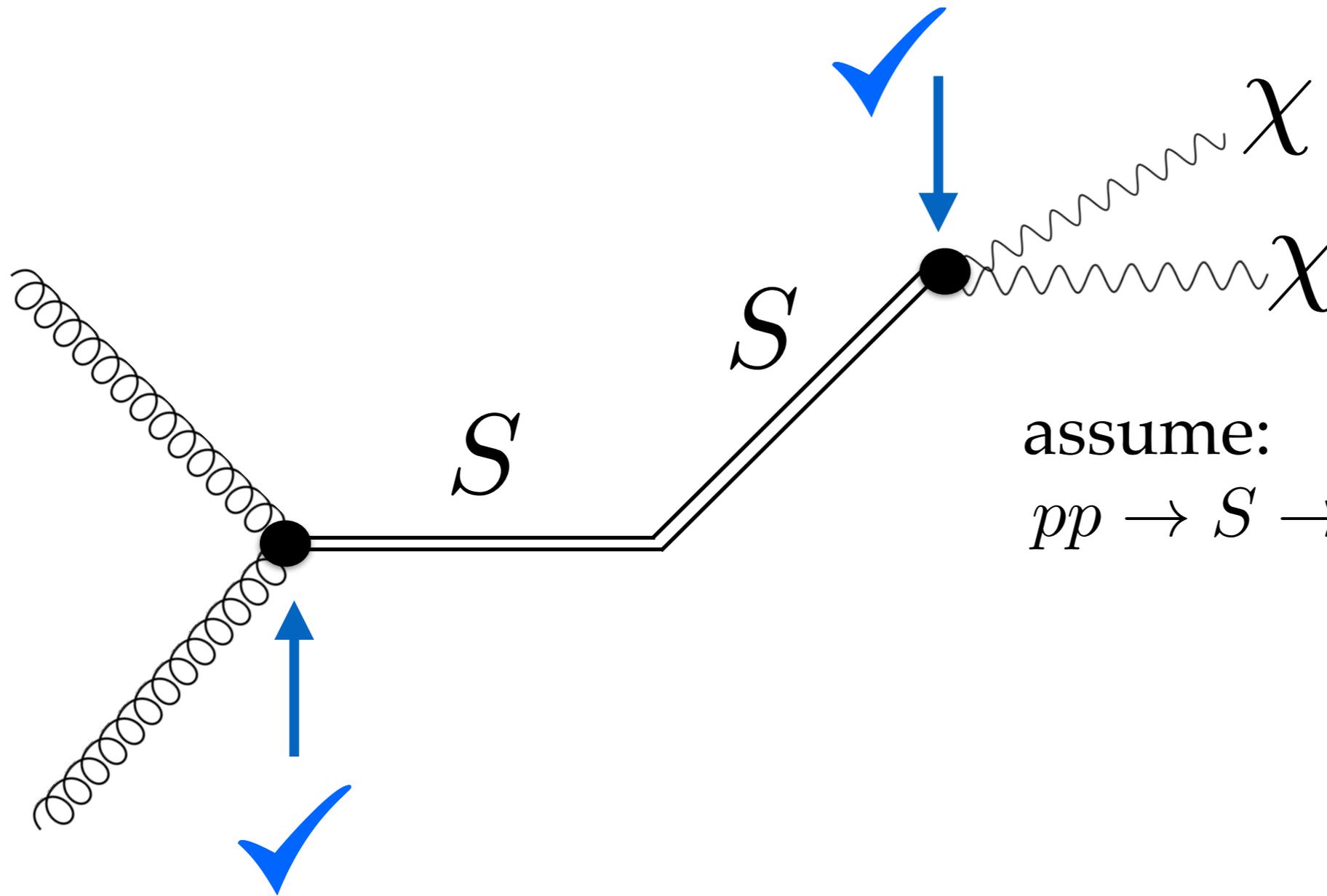


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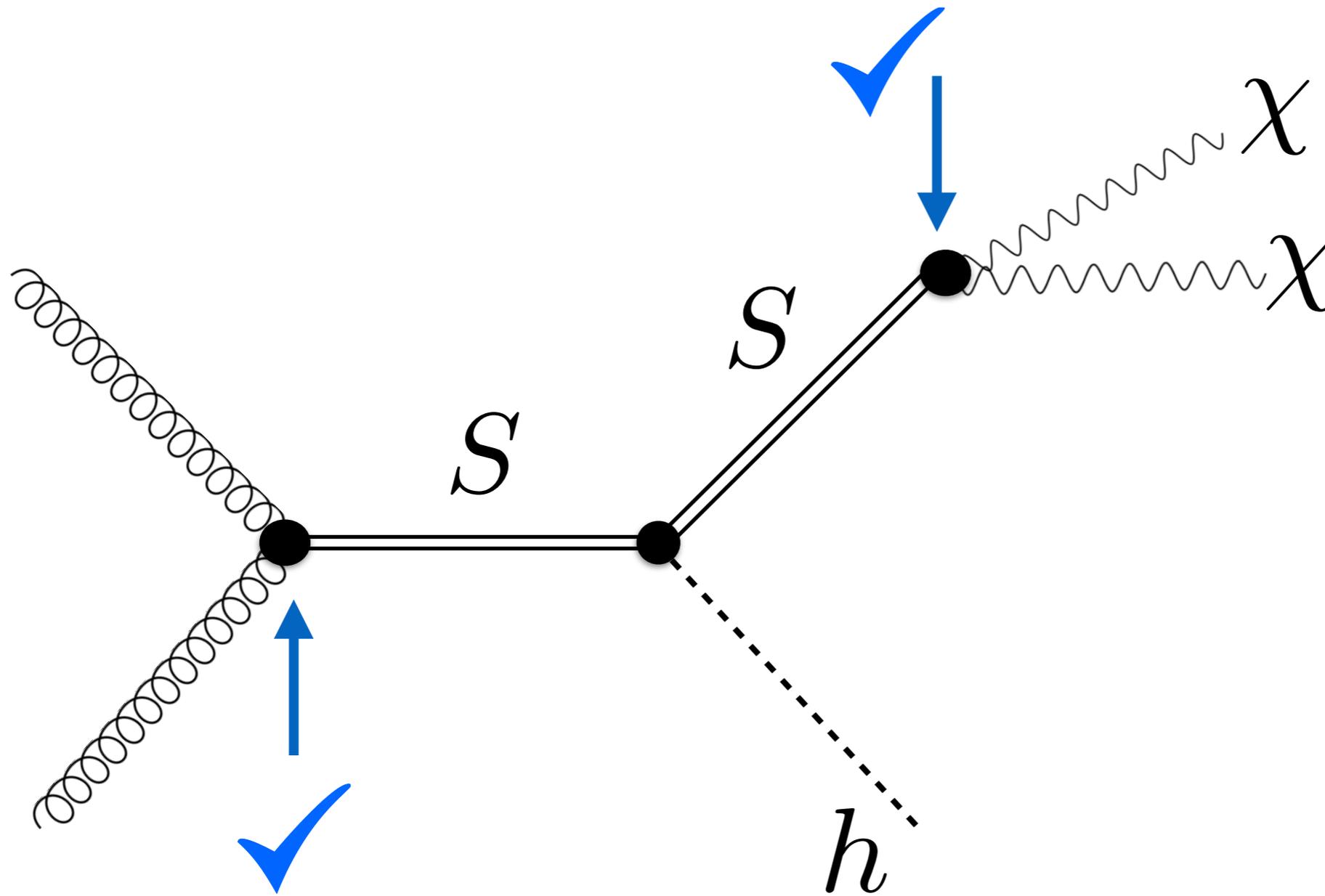
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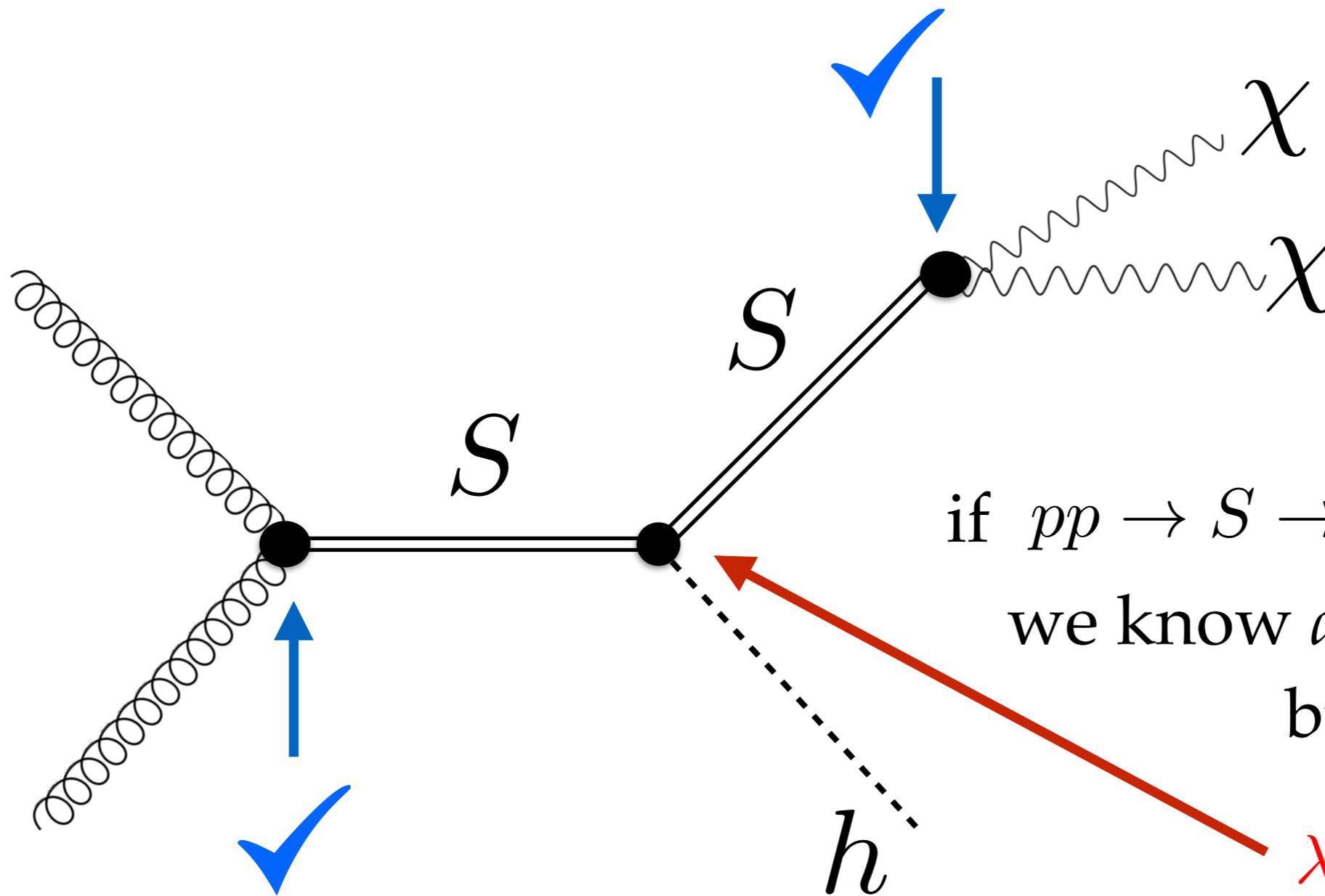
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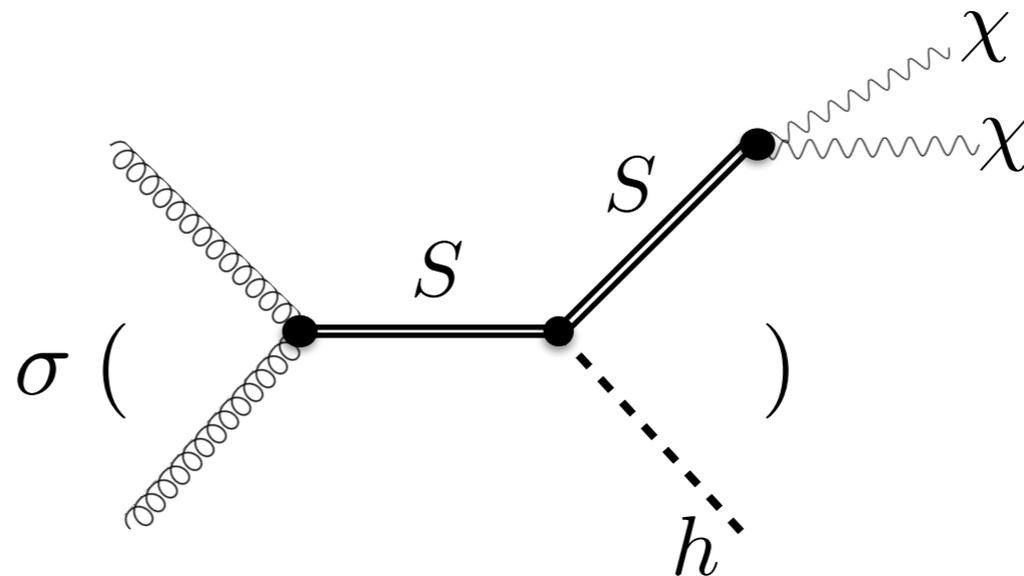


if  $pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow \chi\chi$  is observed:  
we know *all* the couplings  
but one!

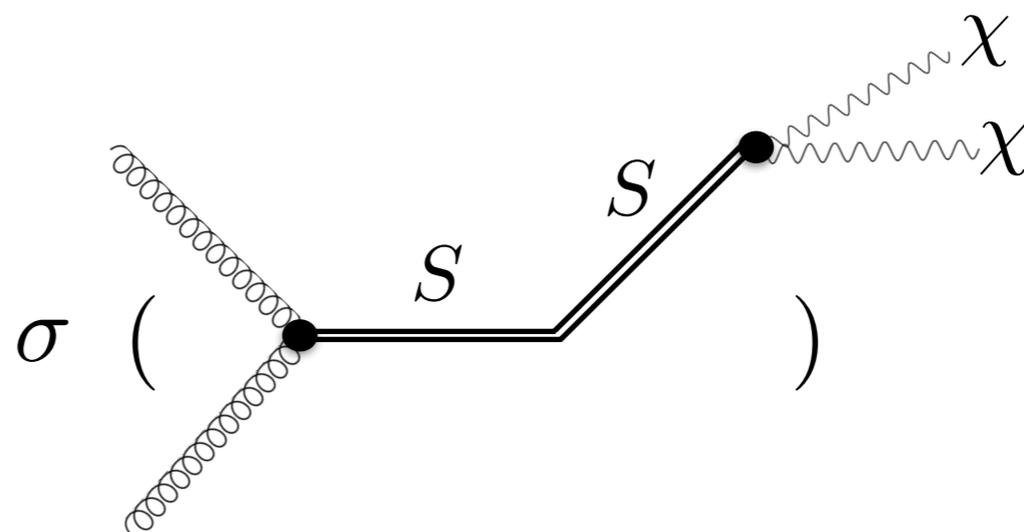
$\lambda_{HS}$   
“portal coupling”

e.g. from:  $\lambda_{HS}|H|^2 S^2 \rightarrow \lambda_{HS}(v + h)^2 S^2$

easy to calculate the cross section for associated production with  $h$ , if single production would be observed.



$$\rho = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow hS \rightarrow h\chi\chi)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow \chi\chi)} \propto \lambda_{HS}^2$$



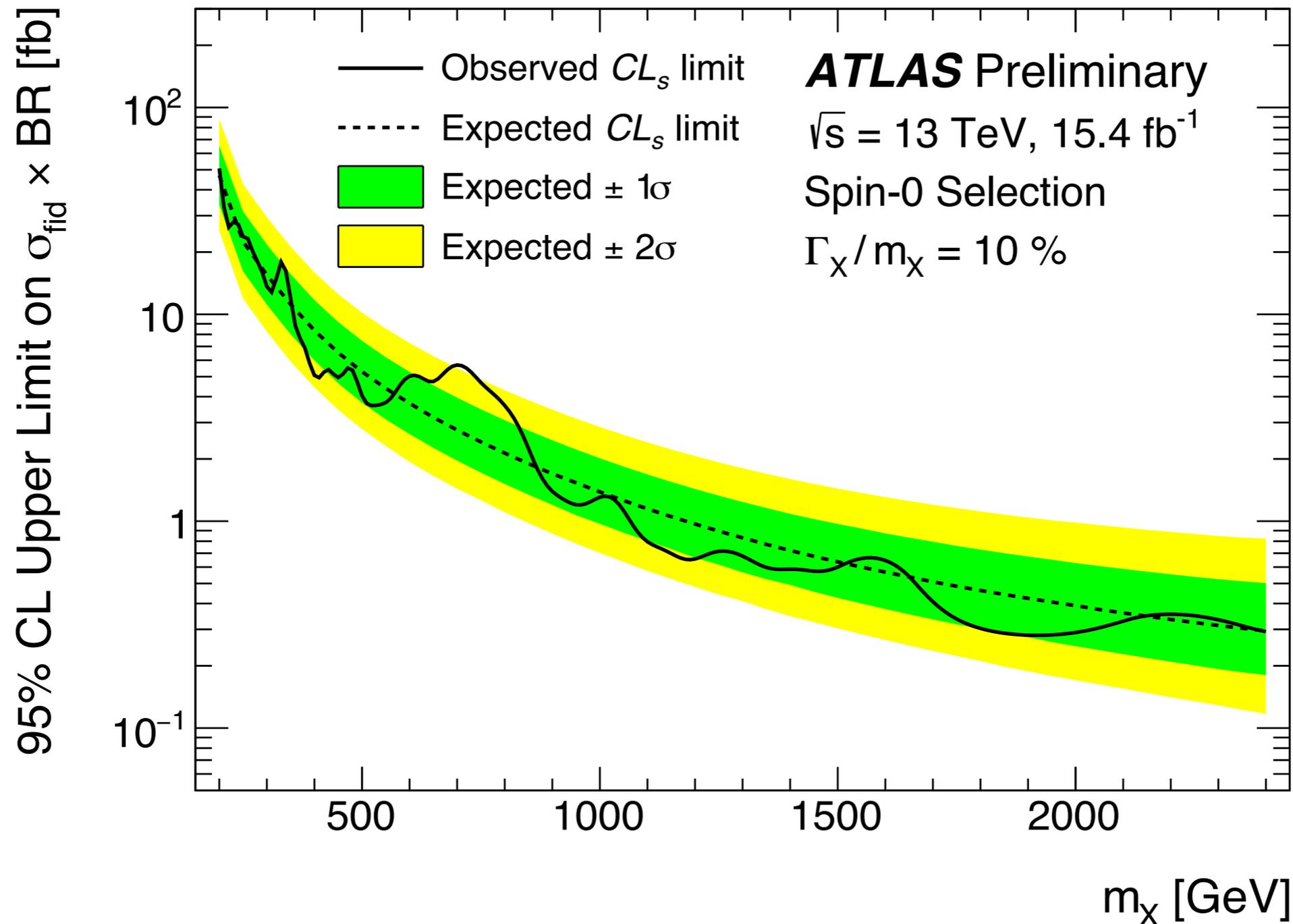
# truth is stranger than fiction...

- we won't know the initial-state partons.
- and, in general, there are other diagrams contributing:

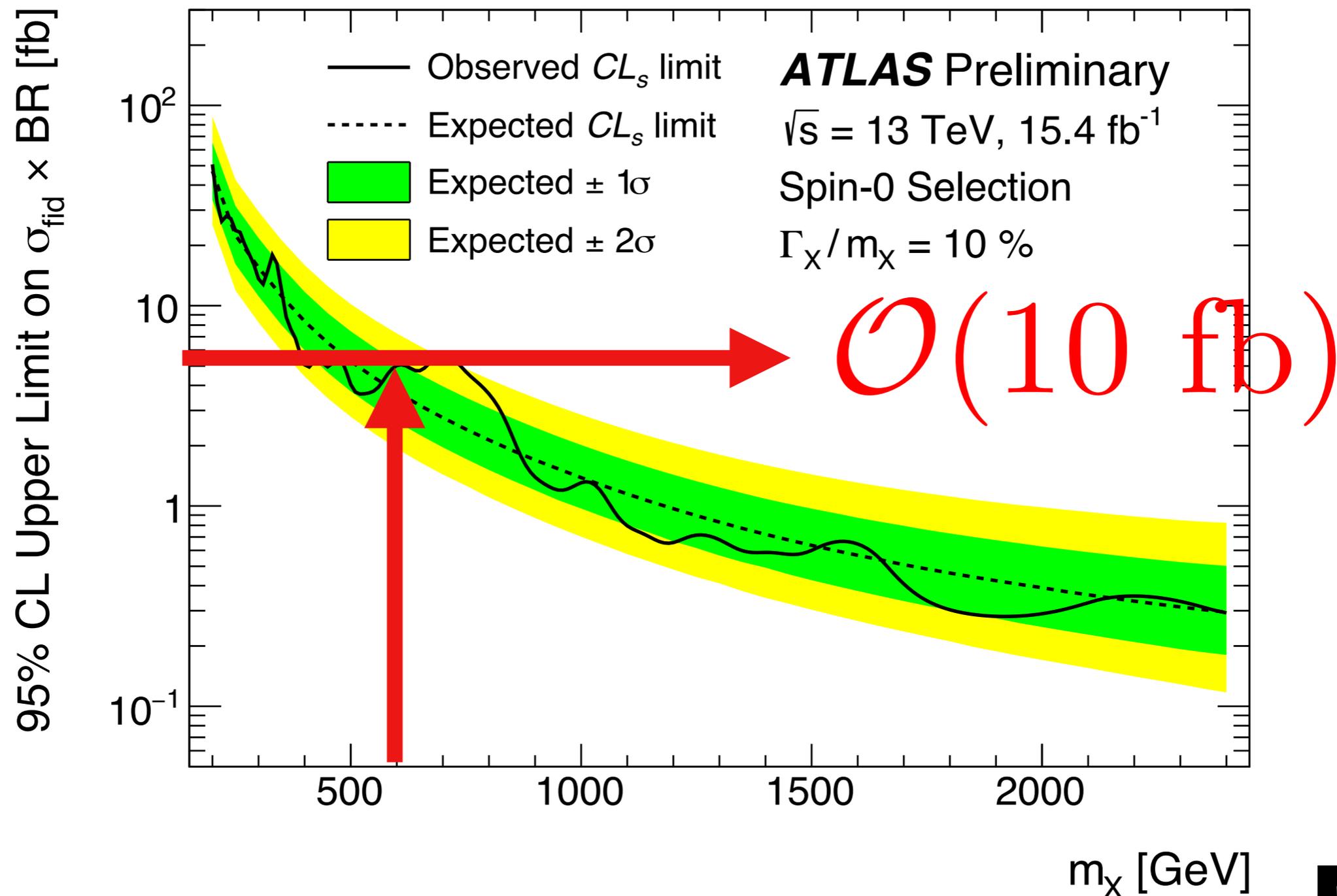
$$\Rightarrow \rho = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow hS \rightarrow h\chi\chi)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow \chi\chi)} = a \lambda_{HS}^2 + b \lambda_{HS} + c$$

$a, b, c$ : obtained via Monte Carlo.

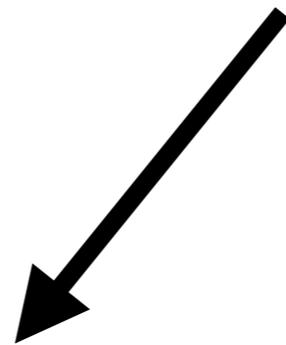
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$$\sigma(hS \rightarrow h\gamma\gamma) \sim 10 \text{ fb} \times \rho$$



single production  
allowed cross  
section, from  
ATLAS/CMS.



ratio, fitted from  
Monte Carlo.

$$\rho \sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$$

(depending on initial-  
state partons)

# kinematic features of $h\gamma\gamma$

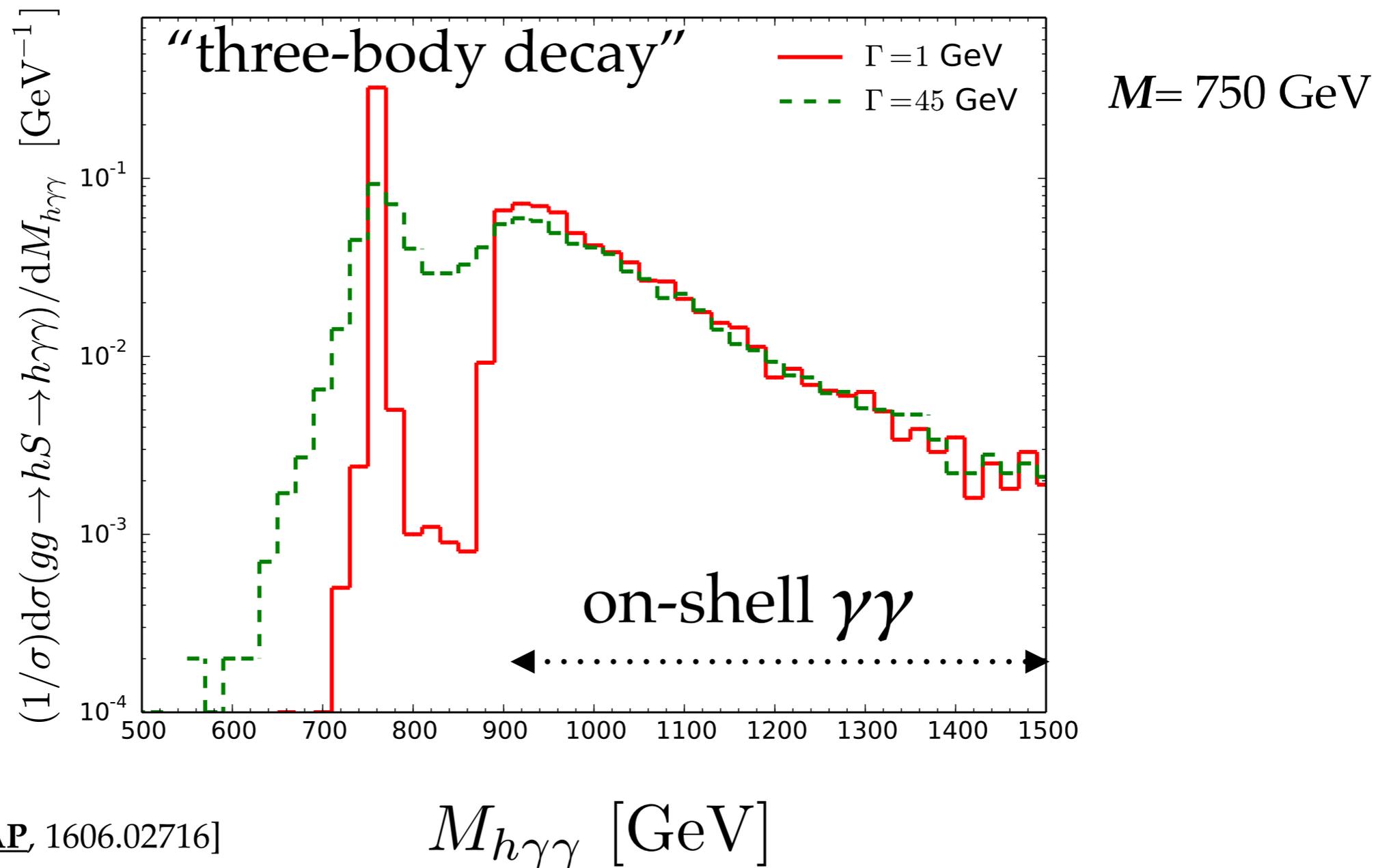
- $S$  and Higgs boson at 13 TeV would be produced near threshold,
- photons from  $S$  would be energetic:

$$p_{T,peak} \sim M/2$$

- photons close to back-to-back,  $b$ -jets close to back-to-back ( $\Delta R \sim \pi$ ).

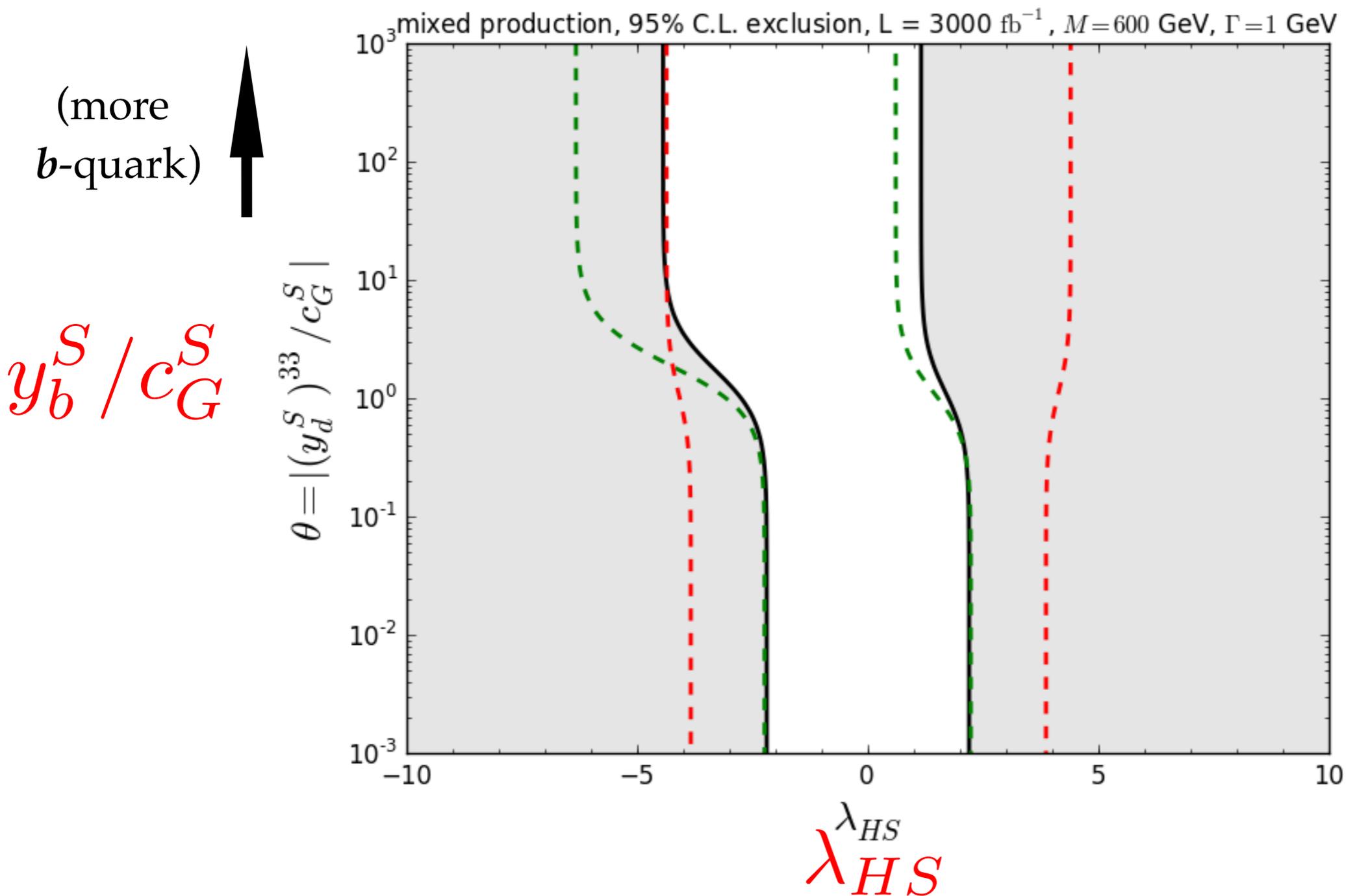
# kinematic features of $h\gamma\gamma$

- $S$  can be resonant (i.e. near on-shell) *either* in  $s$ -channel *or* decay:



- construct two analysis “regions”: “three-body decay”, “on-shell  $\gamma\gamma$ ”.

- given assumption that “underlying” production is purely gluon fusion and  $\lambda_{HS}=1$ ,
- calculate 95% C.L. exclusion for resonance produced in **mixture** of gluon fusion and *b*-quark fusion:



$M= 600 \text{ GeV}$ ,  
 $\Gamma = 1 \text{ GeV}$

green: “on-shell  
 $\gamma\gamma$ ”

red: “three-body  
decay”

[Carmona, Goertz, AP,  
1606.02716]

# conclusions

- **multi-Scalar final states** possess rich phenomenology allow us to probe couplings between scalars [+ other couplings].
- **Higgs boson multi-production** has received considerable attention since Higgs discovery:
  - higher-order corrections, BSM effects, **experimental measurements** + more.
- **Higgs-New scalar associated production** has interesting kinematic features and would be necessary to consider if new states are discovered.

# Thanks for your attention!

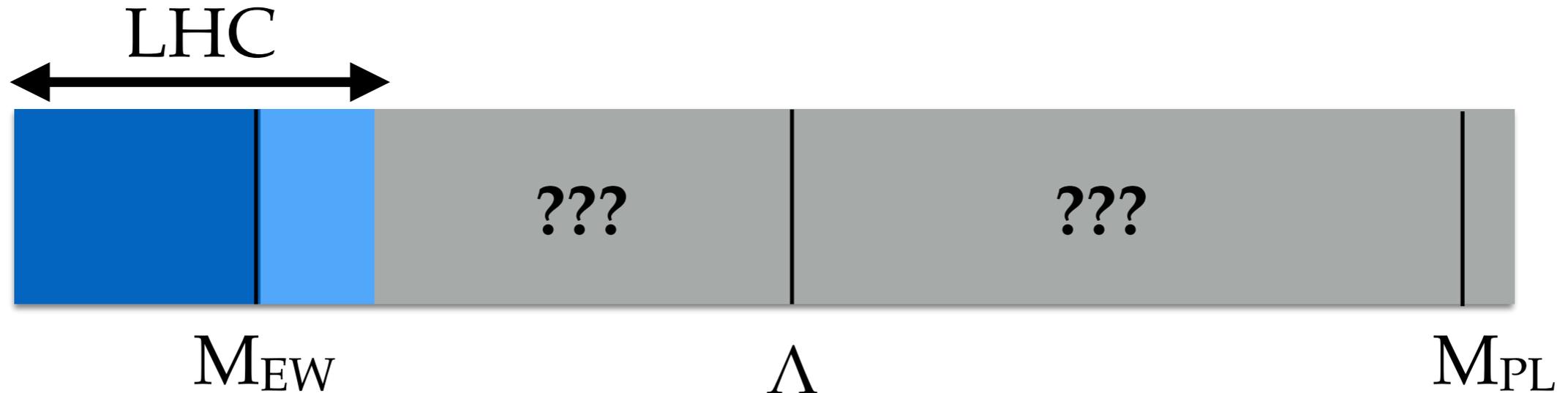
## New Physics (?)



# backup slides

# D=6 EFT for Higgs boson pair production

# What else can we learn? e.g.: through D=6 effective field theory



→ construct D=6 operators made of SM fields:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM}^{D \leq 4} + \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{D=6} \quad \text{e.g.:}$$

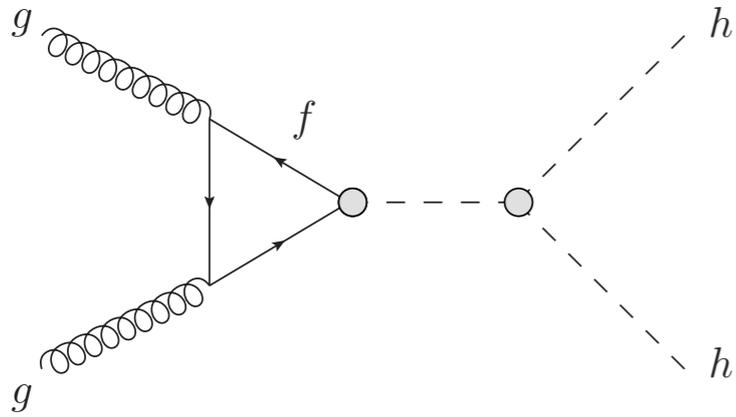
$$\mathcal{O}_6 = -\lambda |H|^6$$

$$\mathcal{O}_t = -c_t |H|^2 \bar{Q}_L H^c t_R$$

operators built out of SM fields,  
respecting SM gauge symmetries

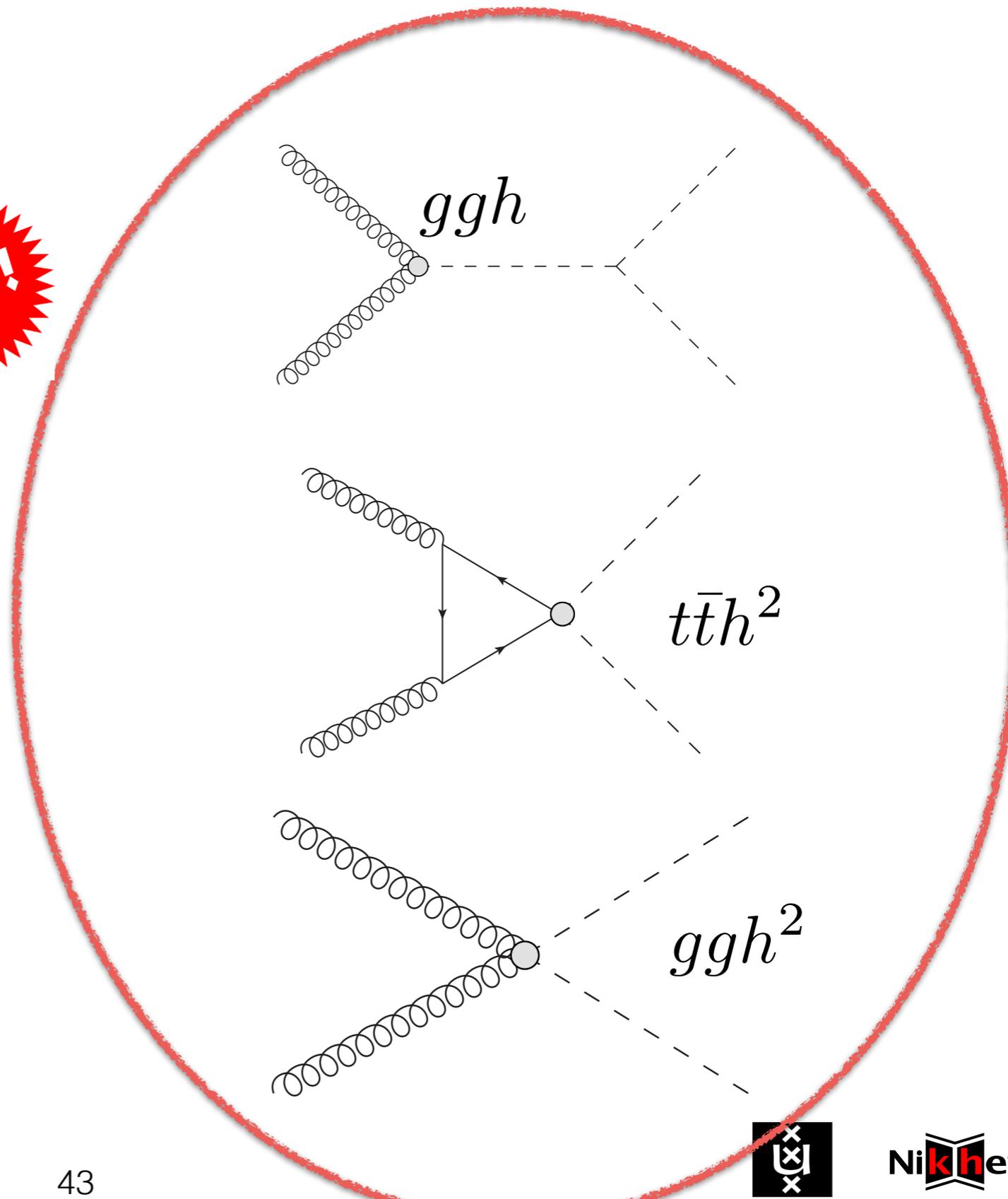
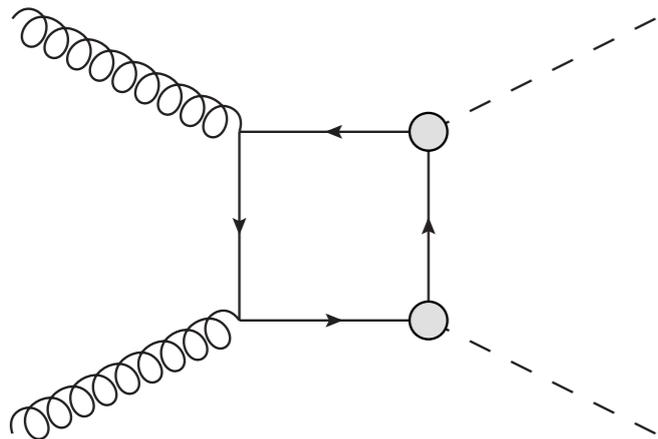
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Physics

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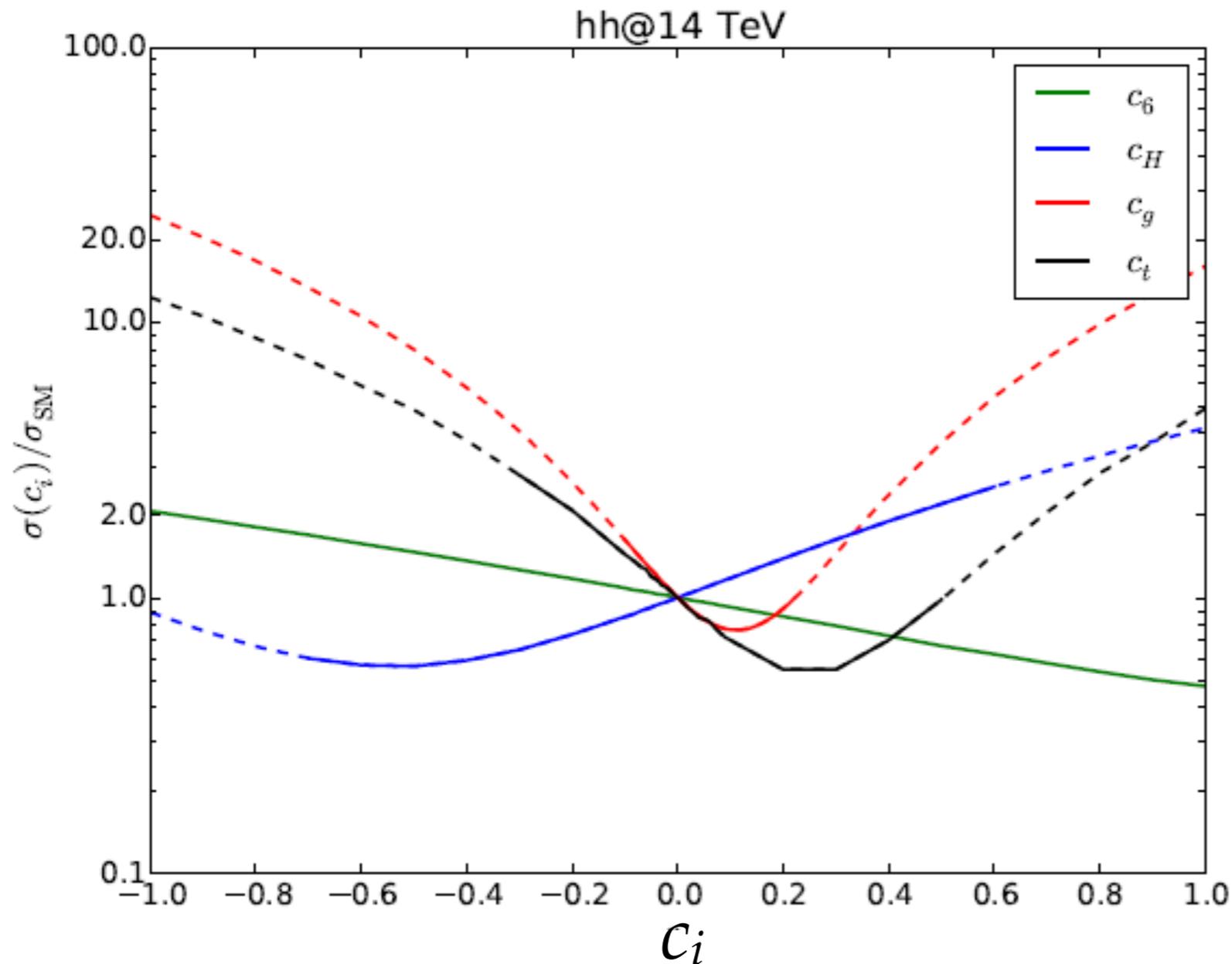
**NEW!**

[Goertz, AP, Yang, Zurita, 1410.3471]



# hh in D=6 EFT

- LHC and FCC-hh phenomenology, e.g.:



[Goertz, AP, Yang, Zurita, 1410.3471]

cross section  
variation with  
respect to coeffs.

[ $\sigma_{\text{SM}}$  (14 TeV)  $\sim$  40 fb]

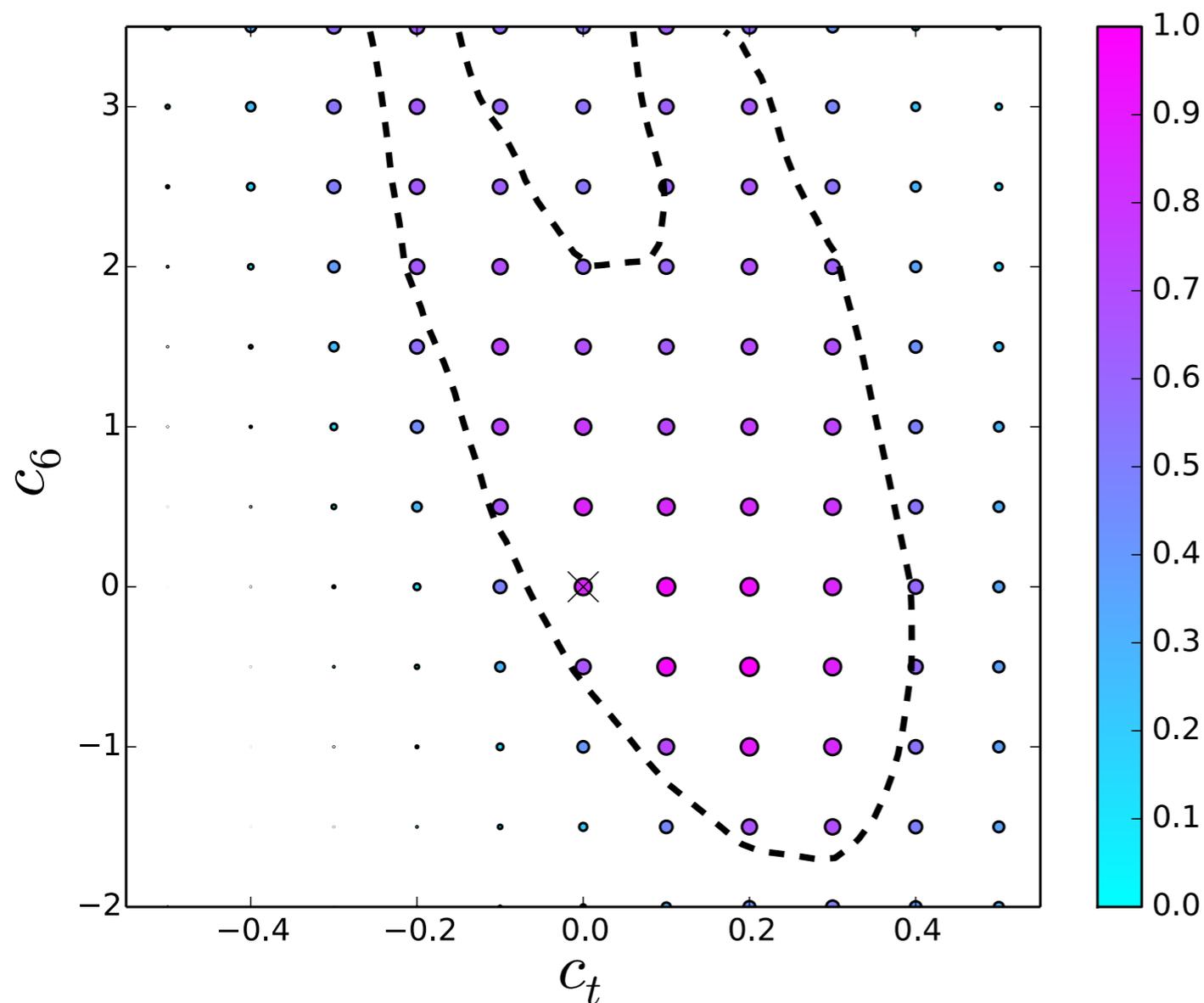
[also: Azatov, Contino,  
Panico, Son, 1502.00539]

# *hh* in D=6 EFT

- LHC phenomenology, e.g.:

[Goertz, AP, Yang, Zurita, 1410.3471]

hh@14 TeV,  $L = 600\text{fb}^{-1}$ ,  $f_{\text{th}} = 0.3$



**$1\sigma$  constraint, on  
the plane of two  
Wilson coifs.:  
 $C_t$ - $C_6$   
(LHC14,  $600\text{fb}^{-1}$ )**

[see also: Azatov, Contino,  
Panico, Son, 1502.00539]

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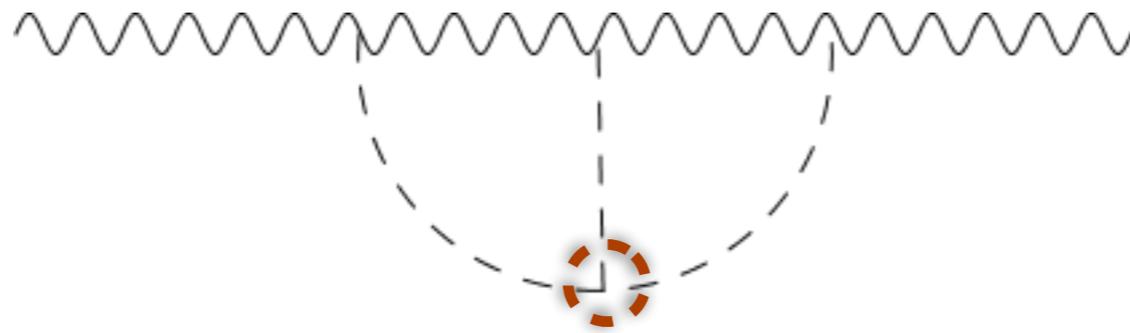
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$hhh \rightarrow$ final state	BR (%)	$\sigma$ (ab)	$N_{30\text{ab}^{-1}}$
$(bb)(bb)(bb)$	19.21	1110.338	33310
$(b\bar{b})(b\bar{b})(WW_{1\ell})$	7.204	416.41	12492
$(b\bar{b})(b\bar{b})(\tau\bar{\tau})$	6.312	364.853	10945
$(b\bar{b})(\tau\bar{\tau})(WW_{1\ell})$	1.578	91.22	2736
$(b\bar{b})(b\bar{b})(WW_{2\ell})$	0.976	56.417	1692
$(b\bar{b})(WW_{1\ell})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.901	52.055	1561
$(b\bar{b})(\tau\bar{\tau})(\tau\bar{\tau})$	0.691	39.963	1198
$(b\bar{b})(b\bar{b})(ZZ_{2\ell})$	0.331	19.131	573
$(b\bar{b})(WW_{2\ell})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.244	14.105	423
$(b\bar{b})(b\bar{b})(\gamma\gamma)$	0.228	13.162	394
$(b\bar{b})(\tau\bar{\tau})(WW_{2\ell})$	0.214	12.359	370
$(\tau\bar{\tau})(WW_{1\ell})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.099	5.702	171
$(\tau\bar{\tau})(\tau\bar{\tau})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.086	4.996	149
$(b\bar{b})(ZZ_{2\ell})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.083	4.783	143
$(b\bar{b})(\tau\bar{\tau})(ZZ_{2\ell})$	0.073	4.191	125
$(b\bar{b})(\gamma\gamma)(WW_{1\ell})$	0.057	3.291	98
$(b\bar{b})(\tau\bar{\tau})(\gamma\gamma)$	0.05	2.883	86
$(WW_{1\ell})(WW_{1\ell})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.038	2.169	65
$(\tau\bar{\tau})(WW_{2\ell})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.027	1.545	46
$(\tau\bar{\tau})(\tau\bar{\tau})(\tau\bar{\tau})$	0.025	1.459	43
$(b\bar{b})(WW_{2\ell})(WW_{2\ell})$	0.017	0.956	28
$(WW_{2\ell})(WW_{1\ell})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.015	0.882	26
$(b\bar{b})(b\bar{b})(ZZ_{4\ell})$	0.012	0.69	20
$(\tau\bar{\tau})(\tau\bar{\tau})(WW_{2\ell})$	0.012	0.677	20
$(b\bar{b})(ZZ_{2\ell})(WW_{2\ell})$	0.011	0.648	19
$(\tau\bar{\tau})(ZZ_{2\ell})(WW_{1\ell})$	0.009	0.524	15
$(b\bar{b})(\gamma\gamma)(WW_{2\ell})$	0.008	0.446	13
$(\tau\bar{\tau})(\gamma\gamma)(WW_{1\ell})$	0.006	0.36	10

# indirect constraints for the triple coupling

# indirect constraints? (I)

- e.g. contributions to observables such as the W mass @ two loops.



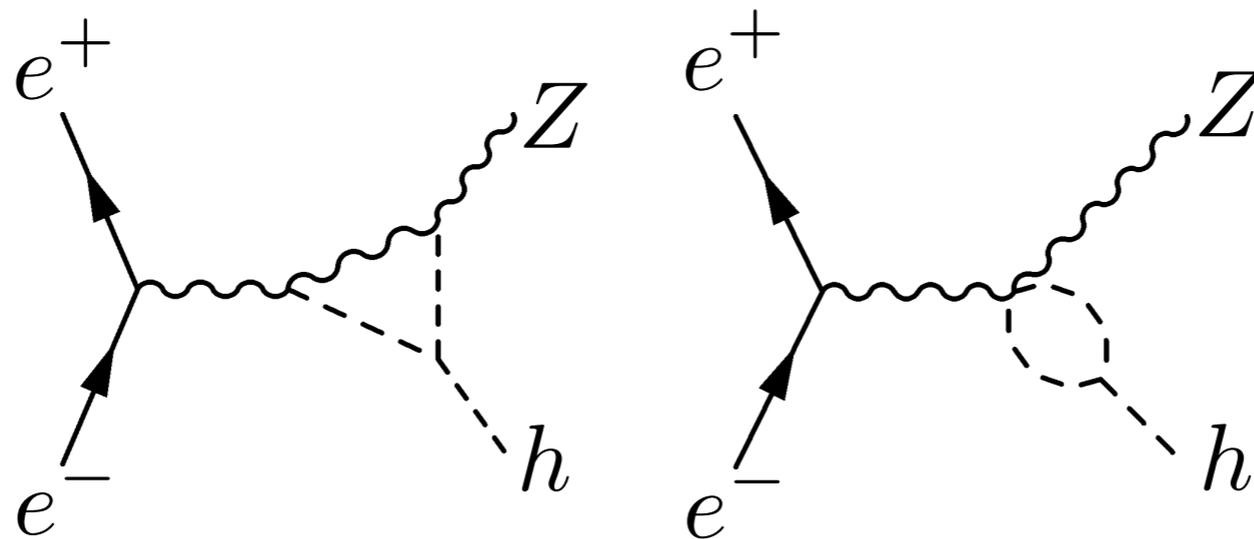
- but **sum** of all the bosonic contributions (in SM):

$$\Delta M_W = \mathcal{O}(0.1) \text{ MeV} \quad (\text{compare to } \sim \mathbf{15 \text{ MeV}}, \text{ current experimental uncert.})$$

- $\Rightarrow$  can never provide constraints (?).

# indirect constraints? (II)

- e.g. contributions to single Higgs observables through higher-order corrections.
- e.g.  $e^+e^-$  @ 240 GeV:



[M. McCullough, 1312.3322]

FIG. 1: NLO vertex corrections to the associated production cross section which depend on the Higgs self-coupling. These terms lead to a linear dependence on modifications of the self-coupling  $\delta_h$ .

- may determine triple Higgs coupling within  $\sim 30\%$  at  $10/\text{ab}$ .

# other production modes?

- several associated production modes exist:

cross section@14 TeV

$$qq \rightarrow qqHH \quad \sim 1.8 \text{ fb}$$

$$qq \rightarrow WHH \quad \sim 0.4 \text{ fb}$$

$$qq \rightarrow ZHH \quad \sim 0.3 \text{ fb}$$

Baglio, Djouadi, Gröber,  
Mühlleitner, Quevillon, Spira  
[1212.5581]

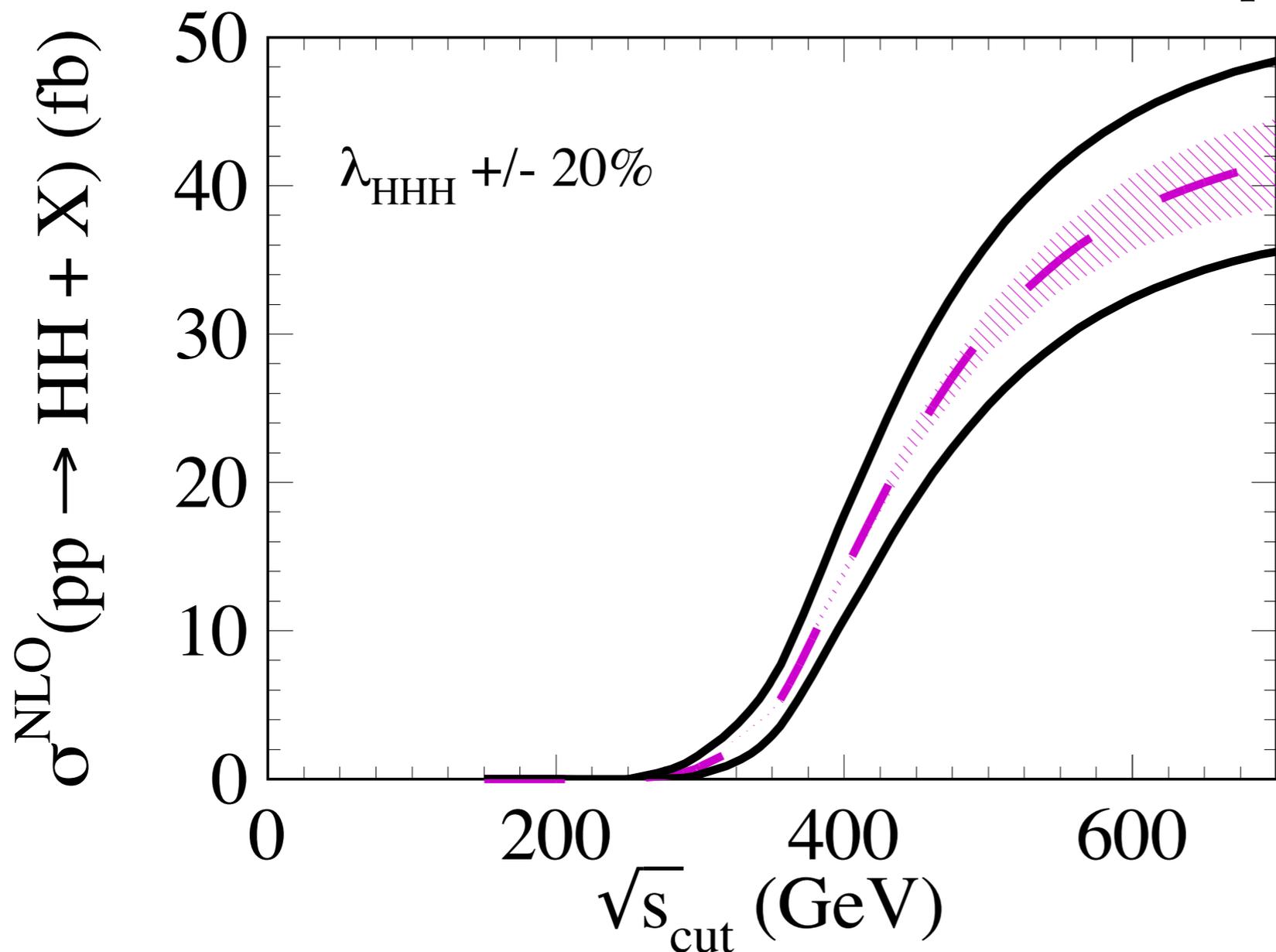
- (note: behaviour w.r.t.  $\lambda$  is different for each channel.)
- with decays  $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ , could be looked into with sub-structure techniques, but initial cross section low.

# the failure of HEFT in *hh*

# how good is the HT-EFT?

[Grigo, Hoff, Melnikov, Steinhauser, 1305.7340]

→ corrections to  
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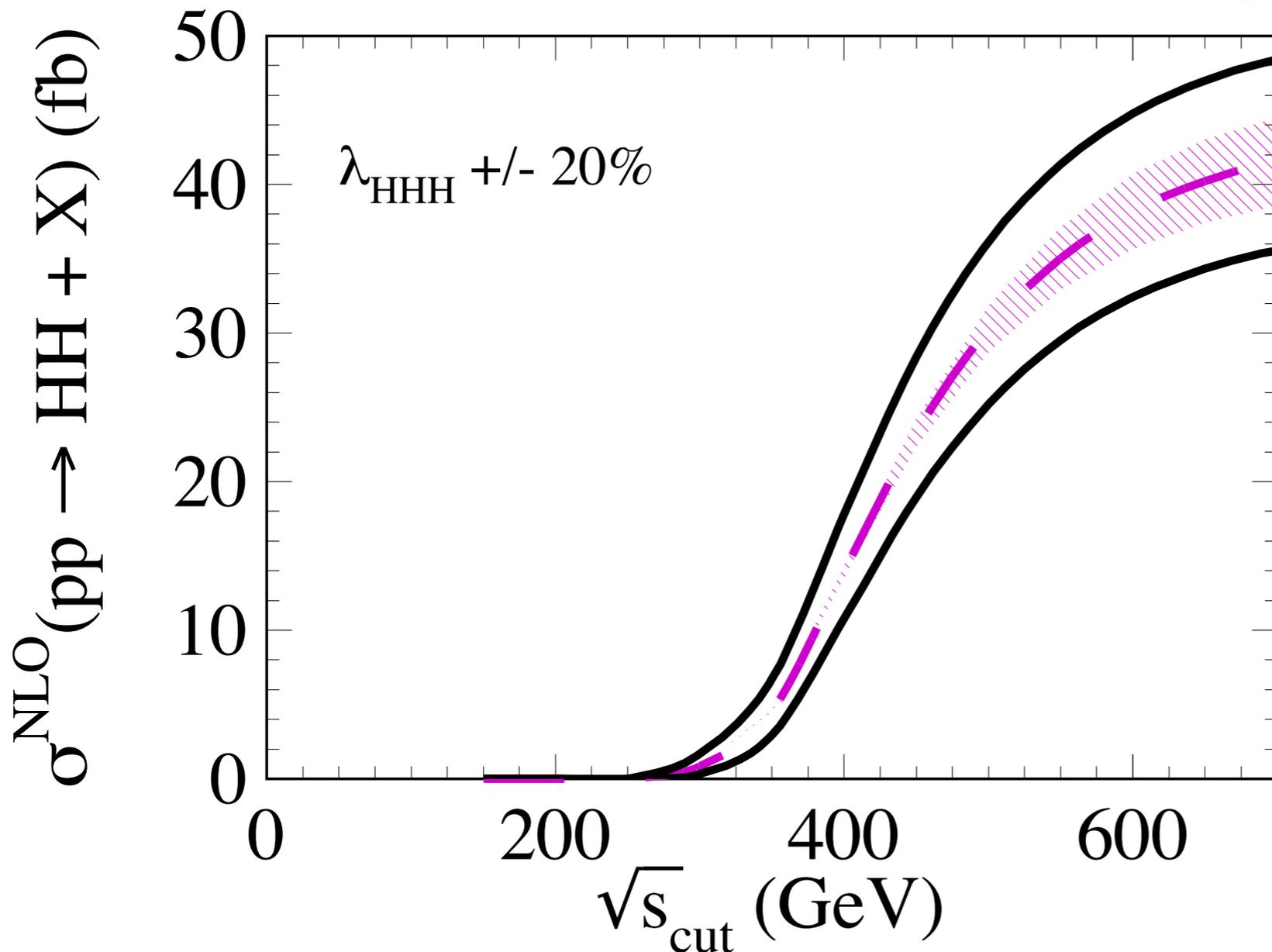
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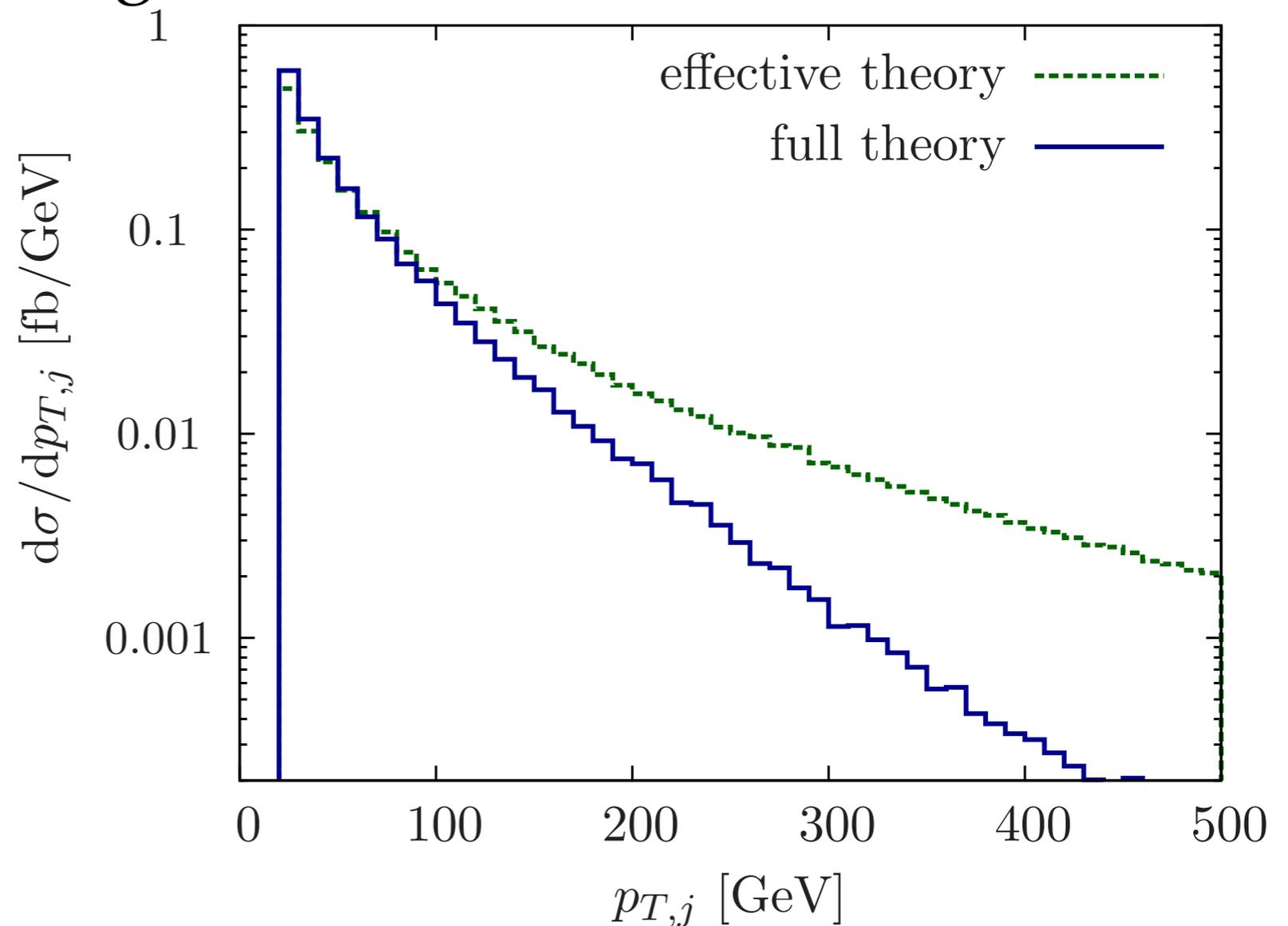
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# HEFT gone wild

- differential quantities can be worse in certain regions of phase space, e.g.:

$$pp \rightarrow hh + j + X$$

[Dolan, Englert, Spannowsky 1206.5001]



# Merging and matching for *hh*

# merging via MLM

[Q. Li, Q. Yan, X. Zhao, 1312.3830]

[P. Maierhöfer, AP, 1401.0007]

- supplement the parton shower (PS) (soft / collinear QCD radiation) with exact matrix elements (MEs).
- use a merging scheme to put PS and MEs together, avoiding double-counting.
- MLM method “matches” jets to partons according to a “merging” scale and vetoes accordingly.

# *hh* merging via MLM

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- implementation using MadGraph+Pythia, [Q. Li, Q. Yan, X. Zhao, 1312.3830]
- our implementation: using **OpenLoops** generator: evaluates one-loop MEs efficiently using numerical & tensor integral reduction. [F. Cascioli, P. Maierhöfer, S. Pozzorini, 1111.5206]
- kinematical description of the first jet at high- $p_T$ : via exact ME for  $hh+1$  parton.
- MLM merging performed in Herwig++.



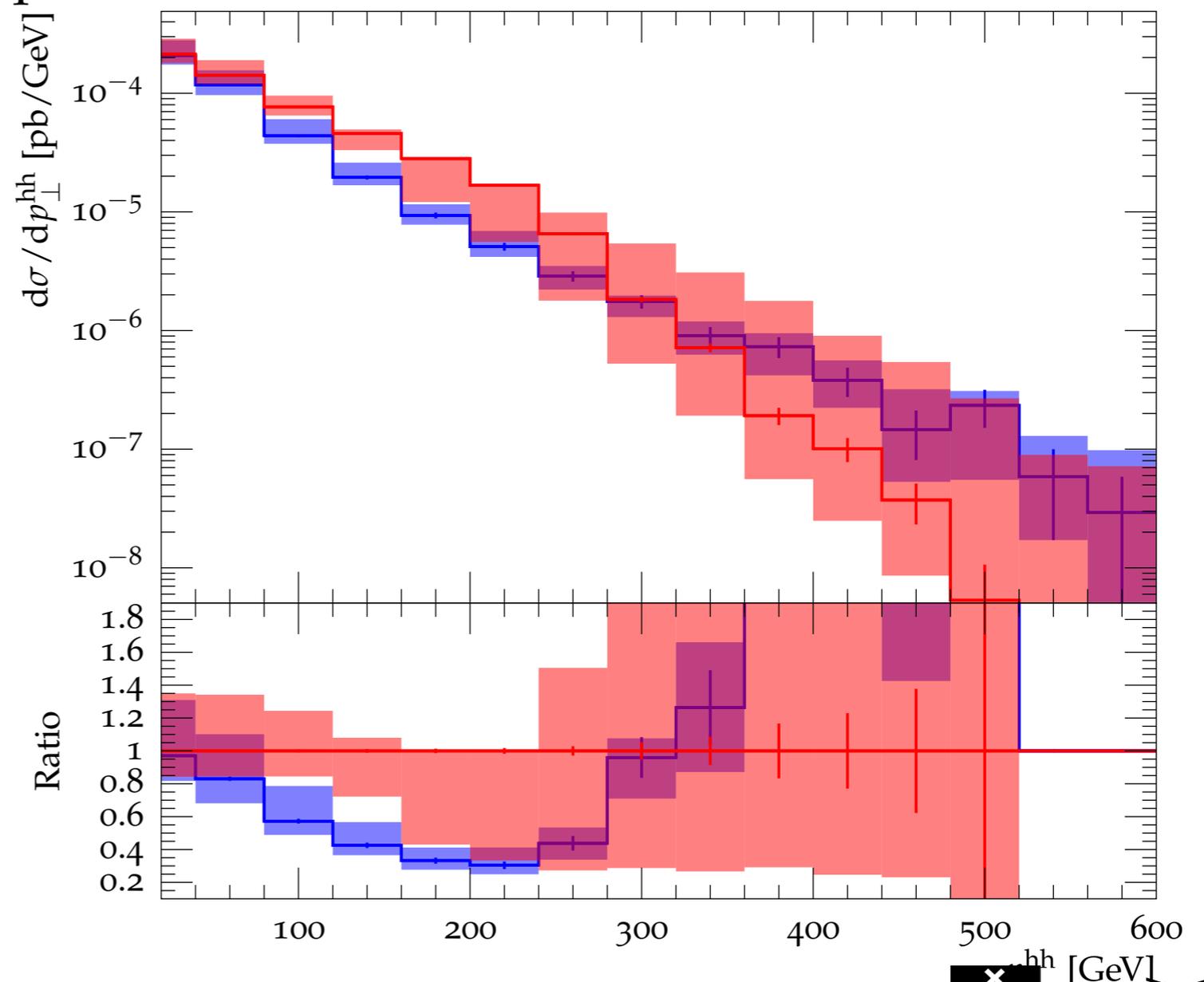
# merging via MLM

[P. Maierhöfer, *AP*, 1401.0007]

- scale uncertainty reduction: from leading-log in PS to LO in ME for the first jet  $p_T$ .

- e.g. transverse momentum of Higgs boson pair.

- **red**: parton shower,  
**blue**: merged sample.



# matching using MC@NLO

[R. Frederix, S. Frixione, V. Hirschi, F. Maltoni, O. Mattelaer,  
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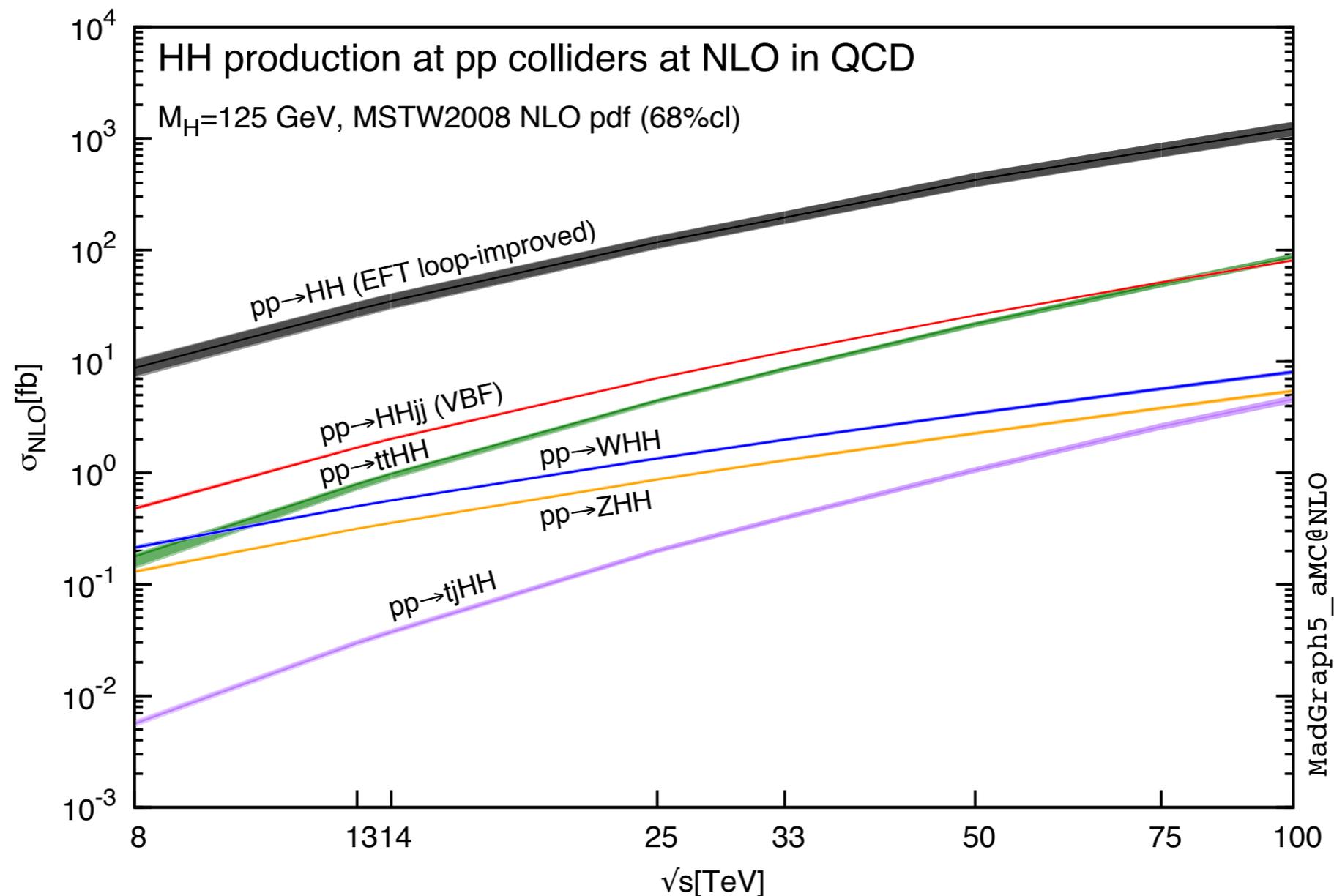
- use exact LO and real emission MEs ( $hh+1$  parton) as was done with merging.
- use the “two-loop” virtual corrections as obtained using the low energy theorem ( $M_t \rightarrow \infty$ ), reweight according to exact LO.
- match via MC@NLO method: removes the double-counting resulting from combination of  $hh+PS$  and  $hh+1$  parton ME.



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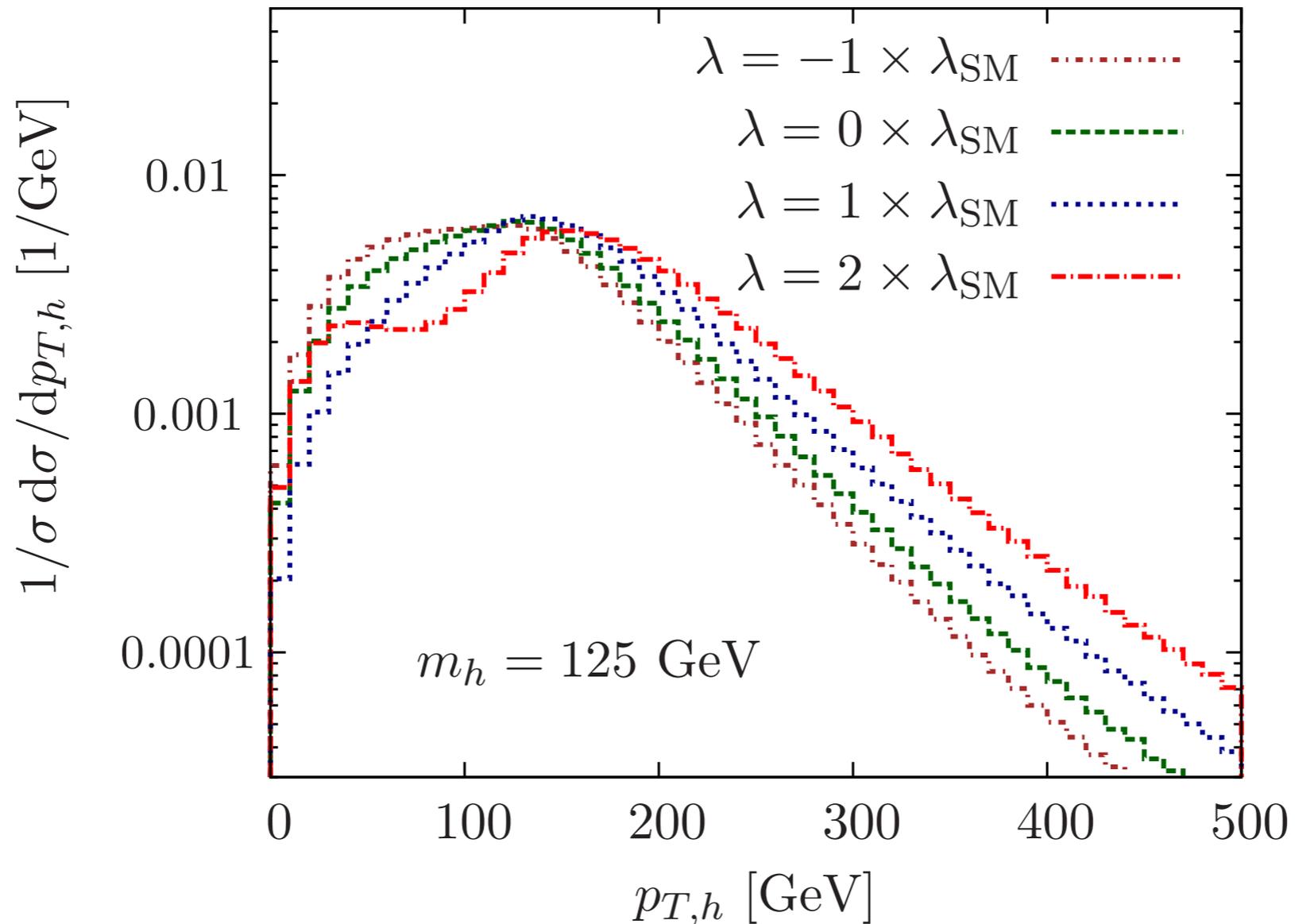
- other  $hh$  production processes also included in the aMC@NLO framework:



# sensitivity to the triple coupling

# triple coupling sensitivity

[ Dolan, Englert, Spannowsky, 1206.5001]

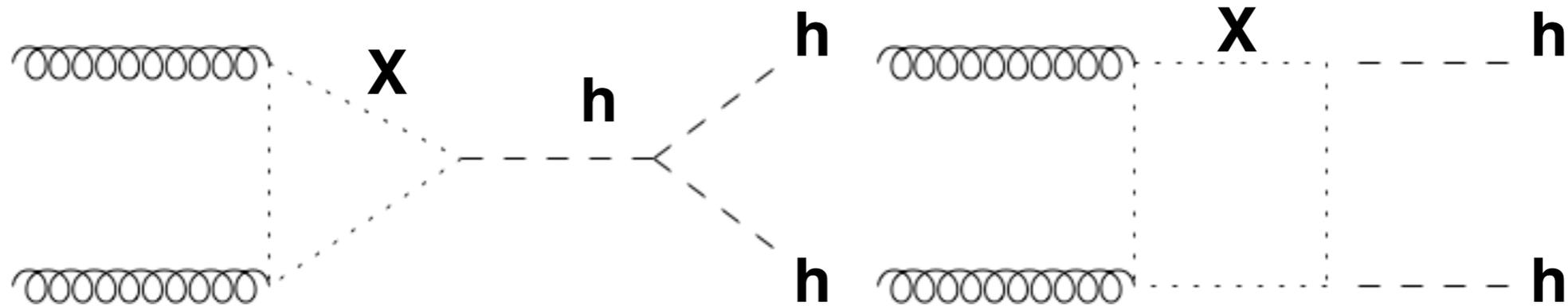


sensitivity lies in the low- $p_T$  region.

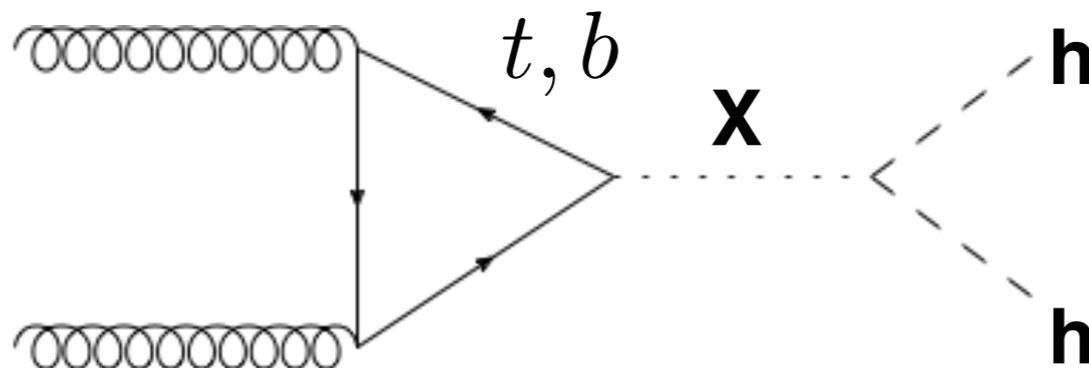
what about new  
physics effects in hh?

# new particles

- $hh$  can probe the presence of new particles:
- (a) e.g. in the loops:



- (b) e.g. in a propagator coupling to two Higgs bosons:



[ $hh$  resonances have already been searched for by ATLAS & CMS in Run 1: 1406.5053, CMS-PAS-HIG-13-032, 1503.04114]

# (a): e.g. particles in loops

- e.g. real scalar colour-octet, coupling to the SM Higgs via:

$$S_a^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi \quad [\text{e.g. Kribs, Martin, 1207.4496}]$$

- e.g. top partners: [e.g. Chen, Dawson, Lewis, 1406.3349]

SM third gen.:

$$q_L = (t_L, b_L)$$

$$t_R, b_R$$

heavy fermions:

$$Q = (T, B) \text{ vector-like } \text{SU}(2)_L \text{ doublet}$$

$$U, D \quad \text{vector-like } \text{SU}(2)_L \text{ singlets}$$

[left- and right- handed components have identical transformation properties under  $\text{SU}(2)_L \times \text{U}(1)$ ]

# (b): e.g. Higgs portal scenario

[e.g. (di-Higgs): Dolan, Englert, Spannowsky, 1210.8166,  
e.g. (general) Barbieri, Gregoire, Hall, hep-ph/0509242]

$$V = \mu_S^2 |\Phi_S|^2 + \lambda_S |\Phi_S|^4 + \mu_H^2 |\Phi_H|^2 + \lambda_H |\Phi_H|^4 \\ + \eta_\chi |\Phi_S|^2 |\Phi_H|^2 \quad [\text{“mirrored”}]$$

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- after EWSB:  $|\Phi_{S,H}| = v_{S,H} / \sqrt{2}$

one gets **two** Higgs scalars: **h, H**.

and couplings:  $hhh, HHH, hHH, hhH$ .

$\Rightarrow$  get:  $pp \rightarrow hh, hH, HH$

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- **example** parameter point:

$$v_S \simeq 246 \text{ GeV}$$

$$v_H \simeq 24 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_h \simeq 125 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_H \simeq 255 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Gamma_H \simeq 24 \text{ GeV}$$

- leads to (LO):

$$pp \rightarrow hh + X \quad : \quad 44.4 \text{ fb}$$

$$pp \rightarrow Hh + X \quad : \quad 5.57 \text{ fb} \quad [\text{NLO K-factor} \sim 2]$$

$$pp \rightarrow HH + X \quad : \quad 667 \text{ ab}$$

- constrain the model by measuring the above.
- [note: phenomenology similar in the MSSM.]