
Rare top quark decays at the FCC-hh

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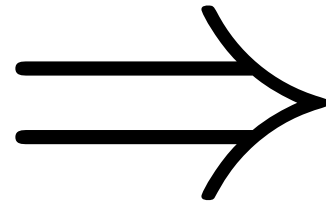


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introduction

$$m_{\text{top}} \sim \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \sim 174 \text{ GeV}$$

(or: $y_t \simeq 1$)

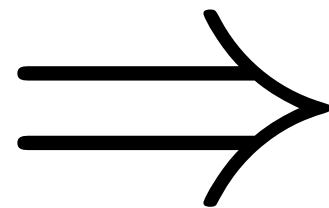


**the top quark is quite likely intimately
linked to Electro-Weak Symmetry Breaking**

introduction

the top quark carries colour charge

+ decays before hadronisation (mostly) through $t \rightarrow Wb$,

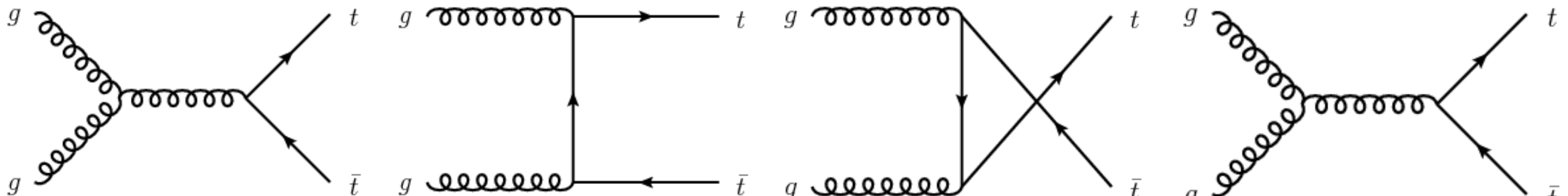


unique amongst quarks.

+ QCD pair production with large cross sections

@ hadron colliders:

(LO diags.)



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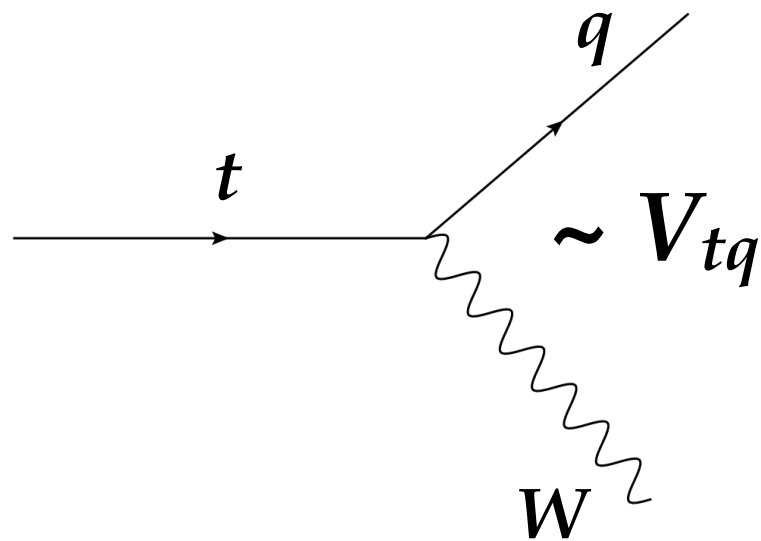
our focus in this talk

a survey of top quark decays

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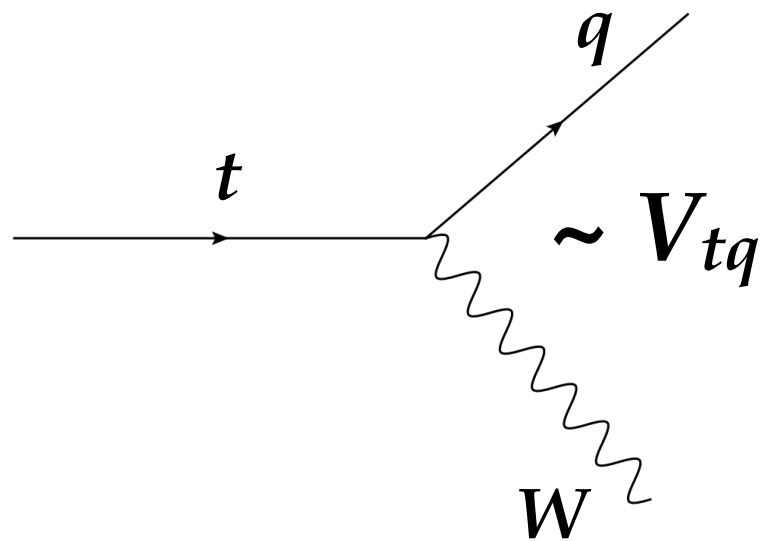
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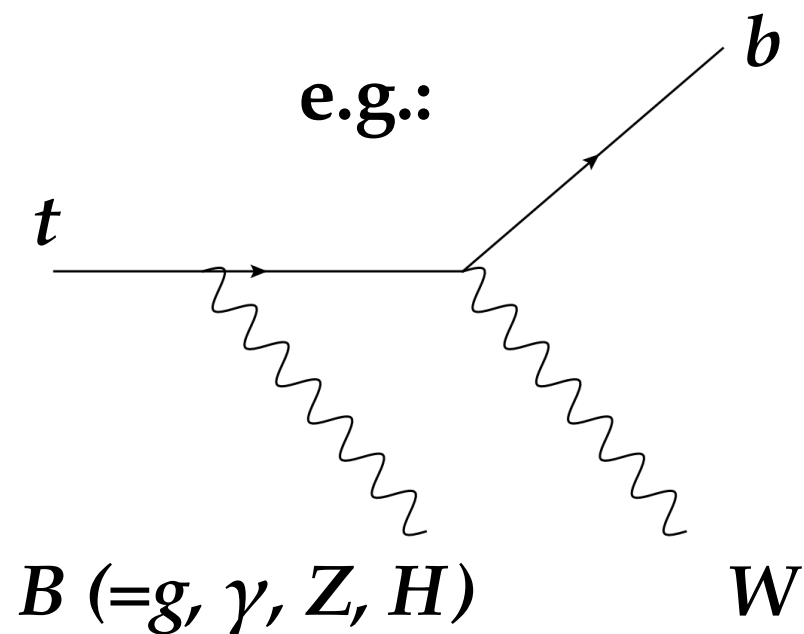
e.g. in MSSM:

$BR(t \rightarrow sW) \sim 10^{-2}$

[Diaz-Cruz, Gaitan-Lozano, Lopez-Castro,
Pagliarone, 0712.3782]

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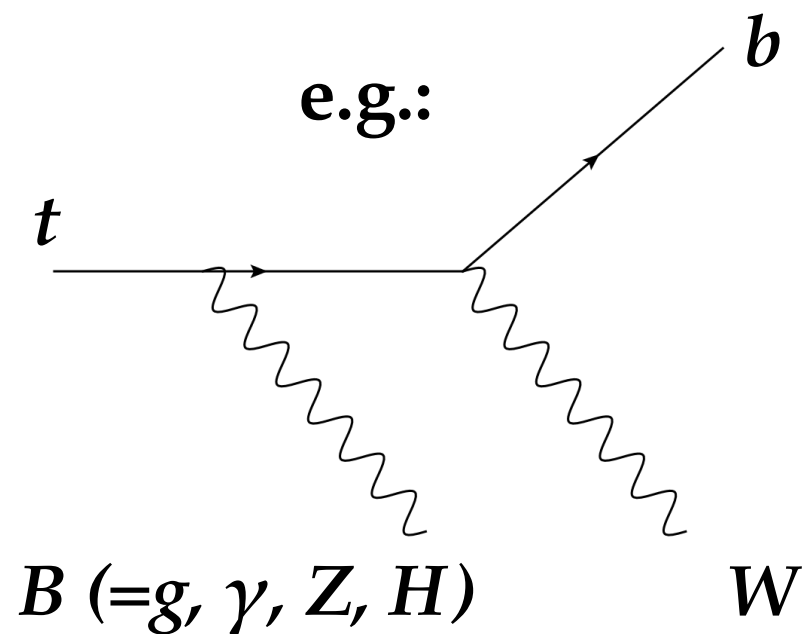


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[Mele, hep-ph/0003064], [Mahlon, hep-ph/9810485], [Han, Ruiz, 1312.3324]

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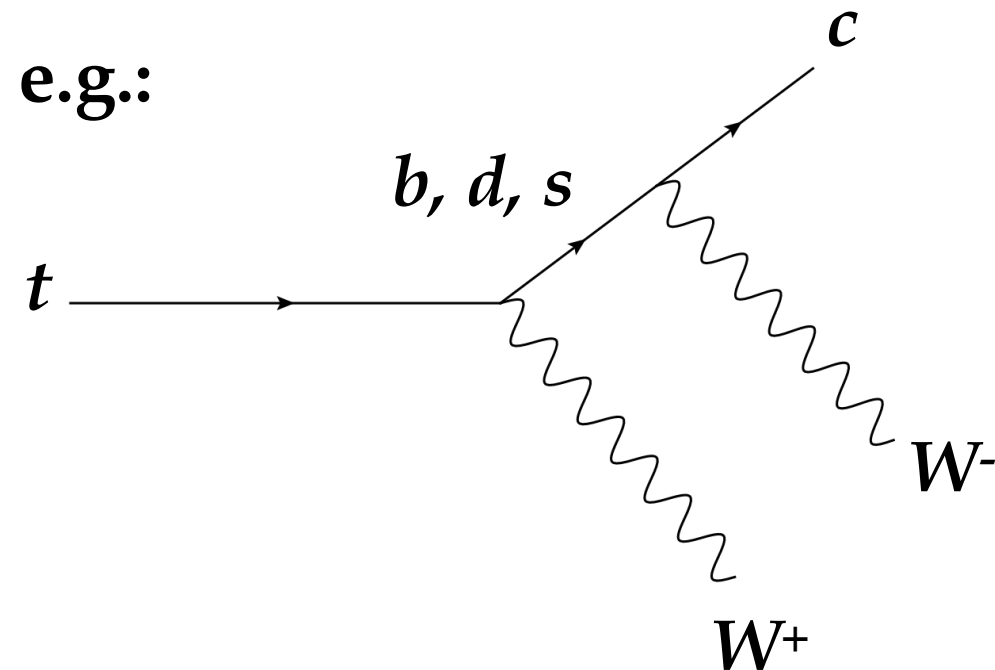


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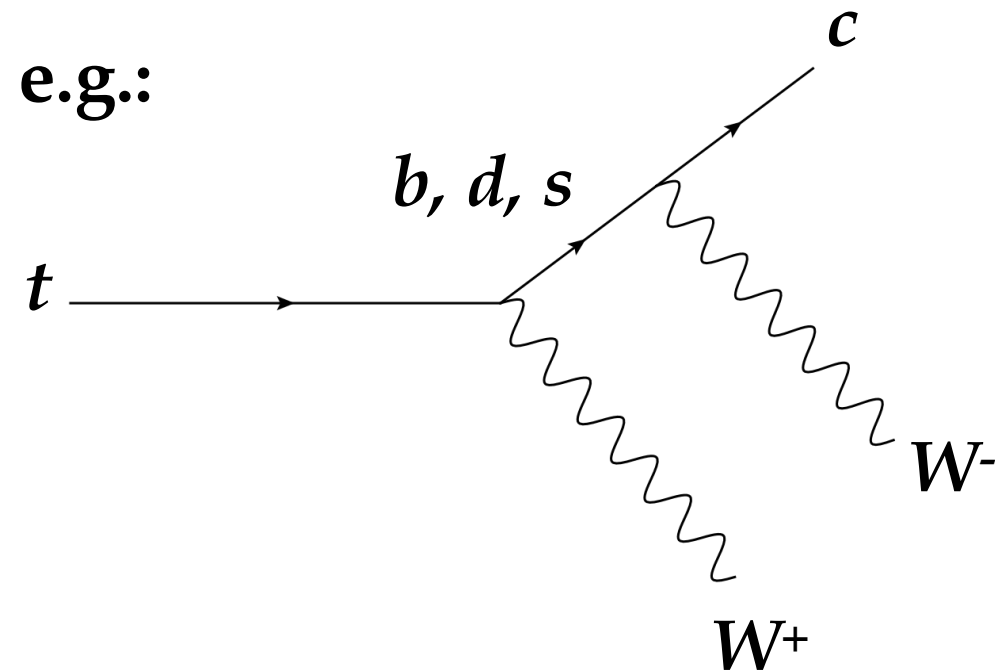
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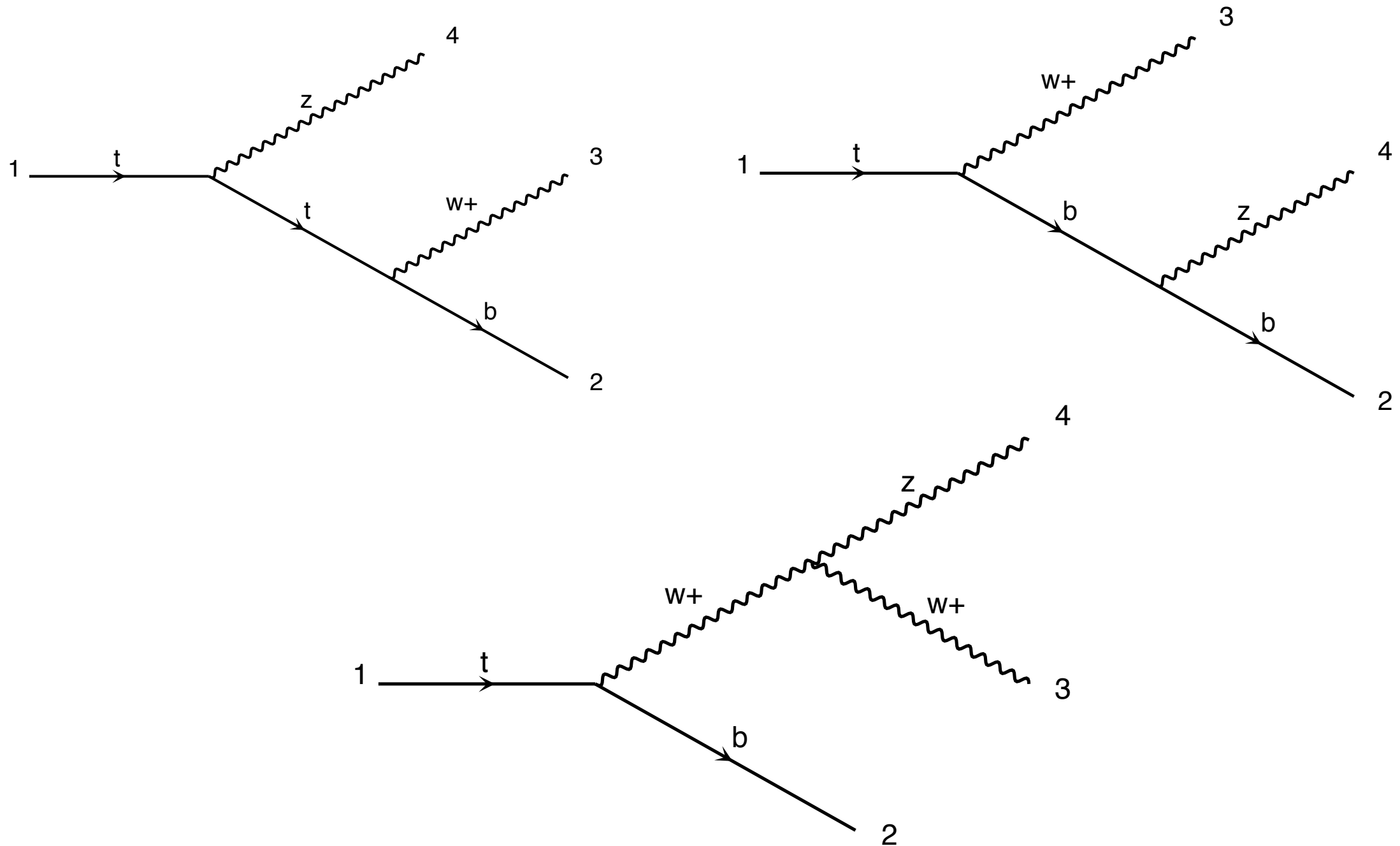
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radiative decay with a Z boson:

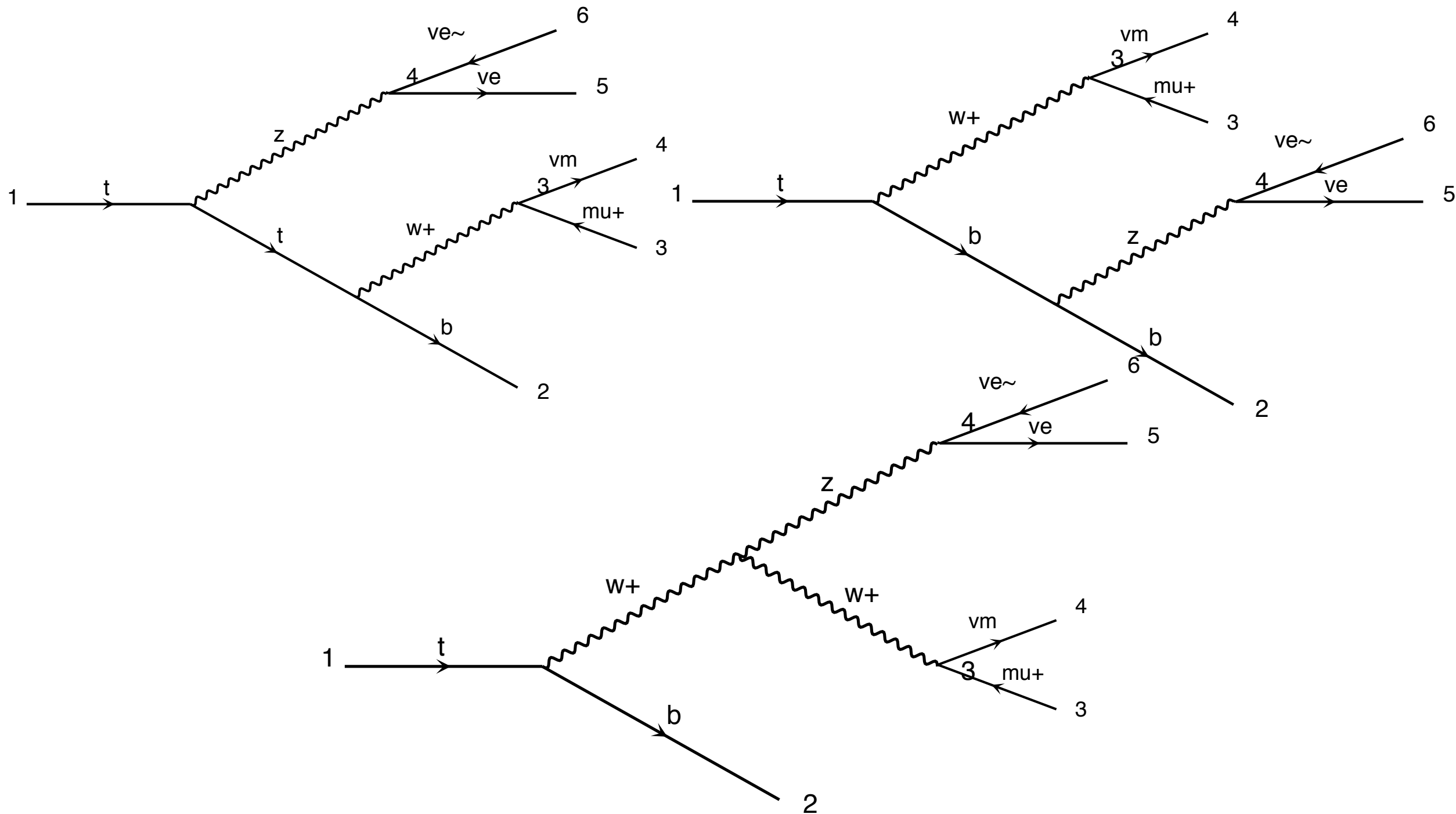
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[MadGraph5_aMCatNLO]

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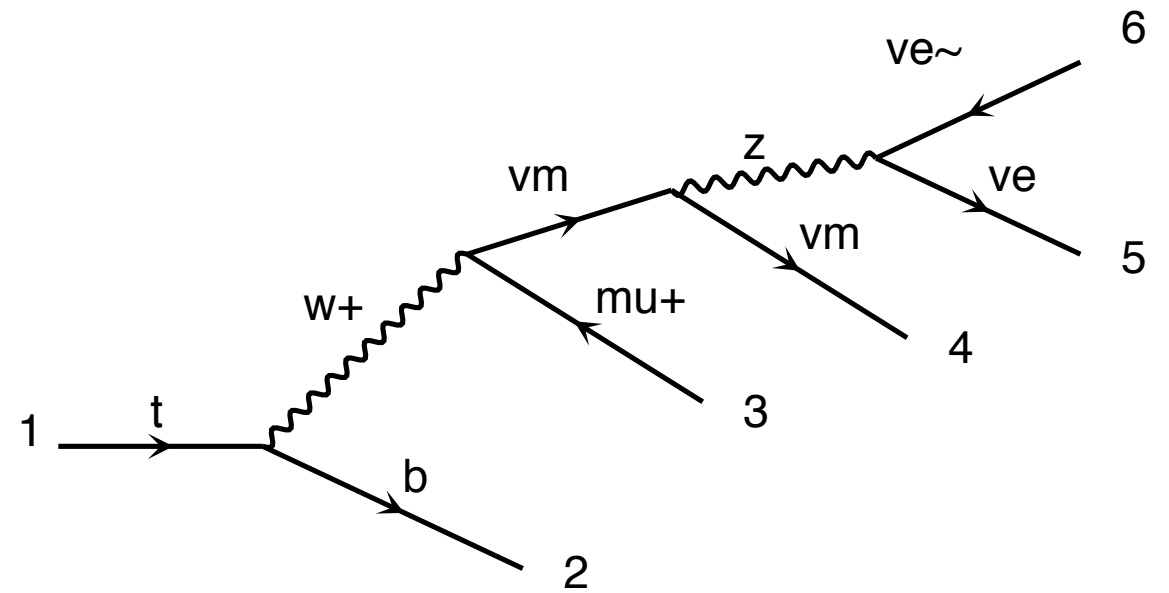
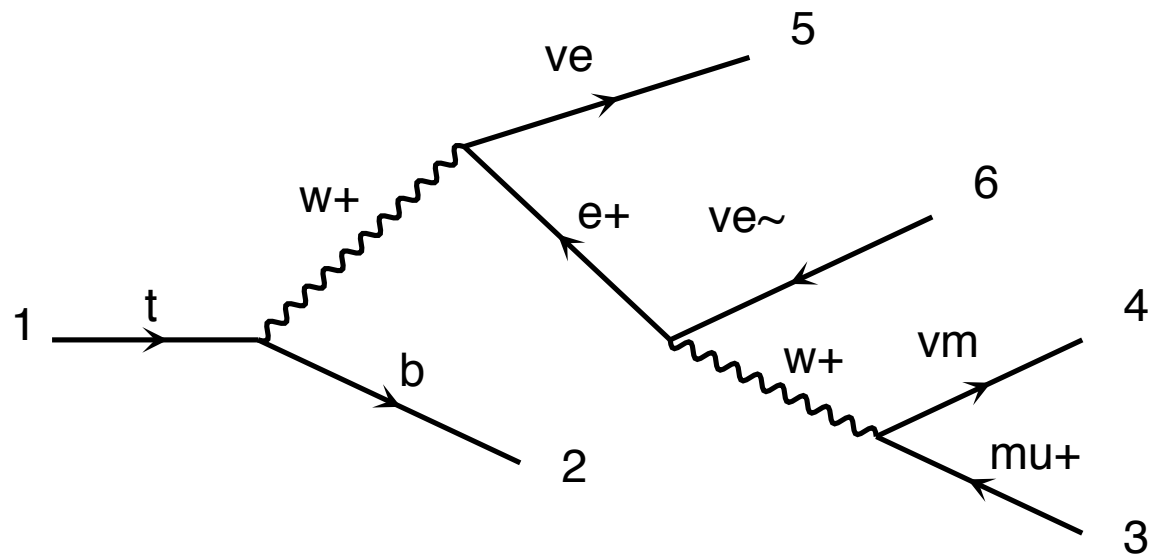
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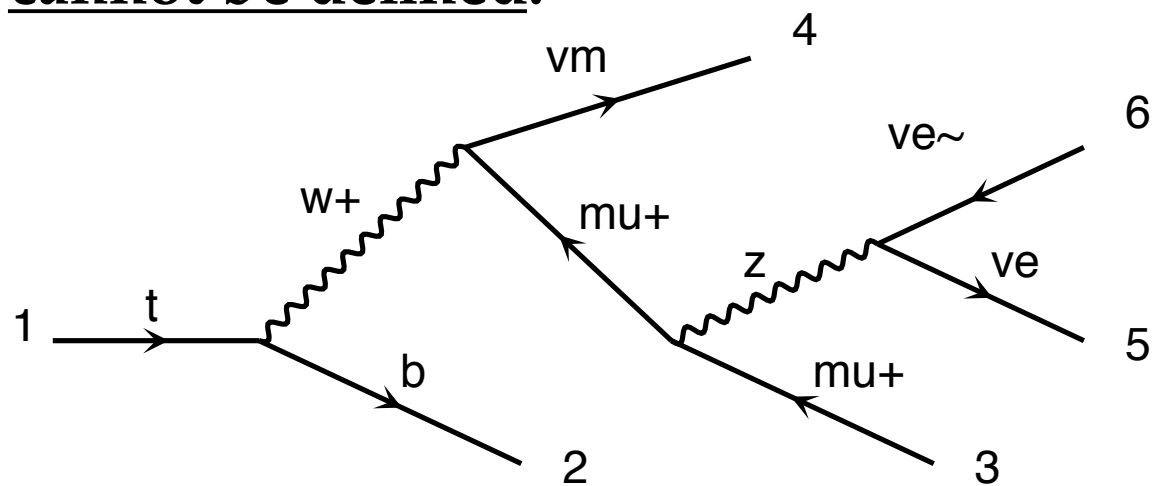
[MadGraph5_aMCatNLO]

additional diagrams:

$$t \rightarrow bWZ \rightarrow b(\mu^+ \nu_\mu)(\nu \bar{\nu})$$



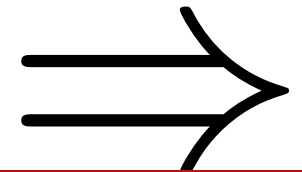
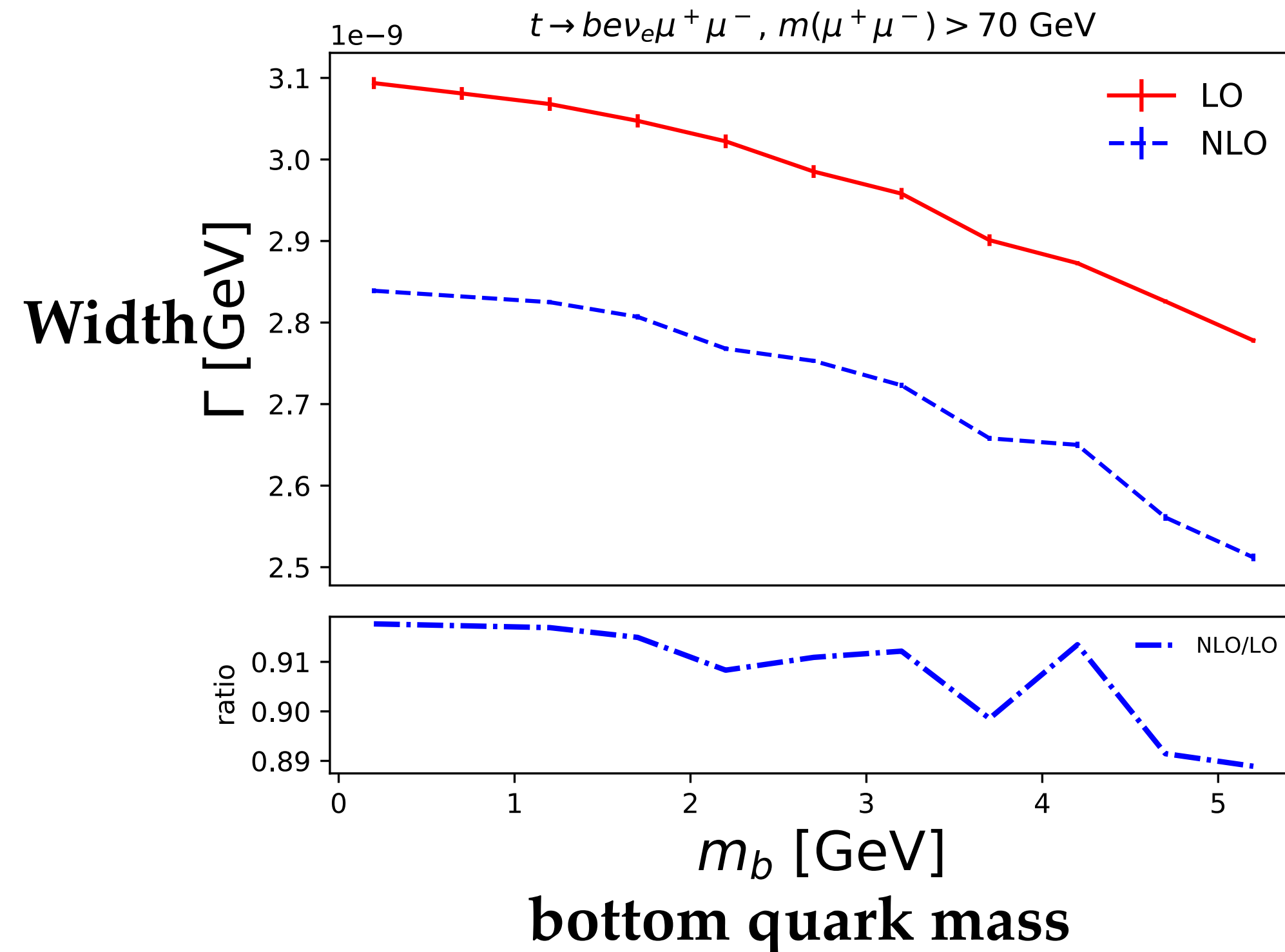
(example) additional diagrams: pure $t \rightarrow bWZ$ cannot be defined.



[MadGraph5_aMCatNLO]

$t \rightarrow bWZ, \text{QCD corrections}$

[A.P., Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi, arXiv:1712.06332]



**~10% reduction of
BR at NLO QCD**

challenges for (SM) $t \rightarrow bWZ$

[A.P., Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi, arXiv:1712.06332]

signal decay is very close to threshold!:

$$m_t(\sim 173.1 \text{ GeV}) \simeq m_b + m_W + m_Z(\sim 175.8 \text{ GeV})$$

⇒ only possible due to off-shell particles:
SM BR $\sim 2 \times 10^{-6}$

⇒ b-jets are softer in signal than backgrounds.

analysis for (SM) $t \rightarrow bWZ$

[A.P., Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi, arXiv:1712.06332]

we looked at two final states:

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (b\ell'^+ \nu_\ell \ell^+ \ell^-)(\bar{b}jj) \quad \text{(3-lepton)}$$

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (bjj\mu^+ \mu^-)(\bar{b}jj) \quad \text{(2-lepton)}$$

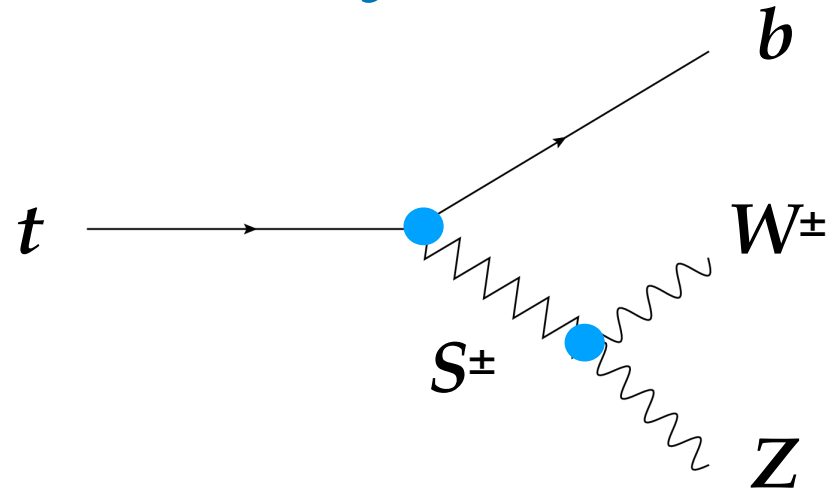
and only backgrounds arising from: $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}Z$

\Rightarrow both analyses less than 1σ for SM@10/ab.

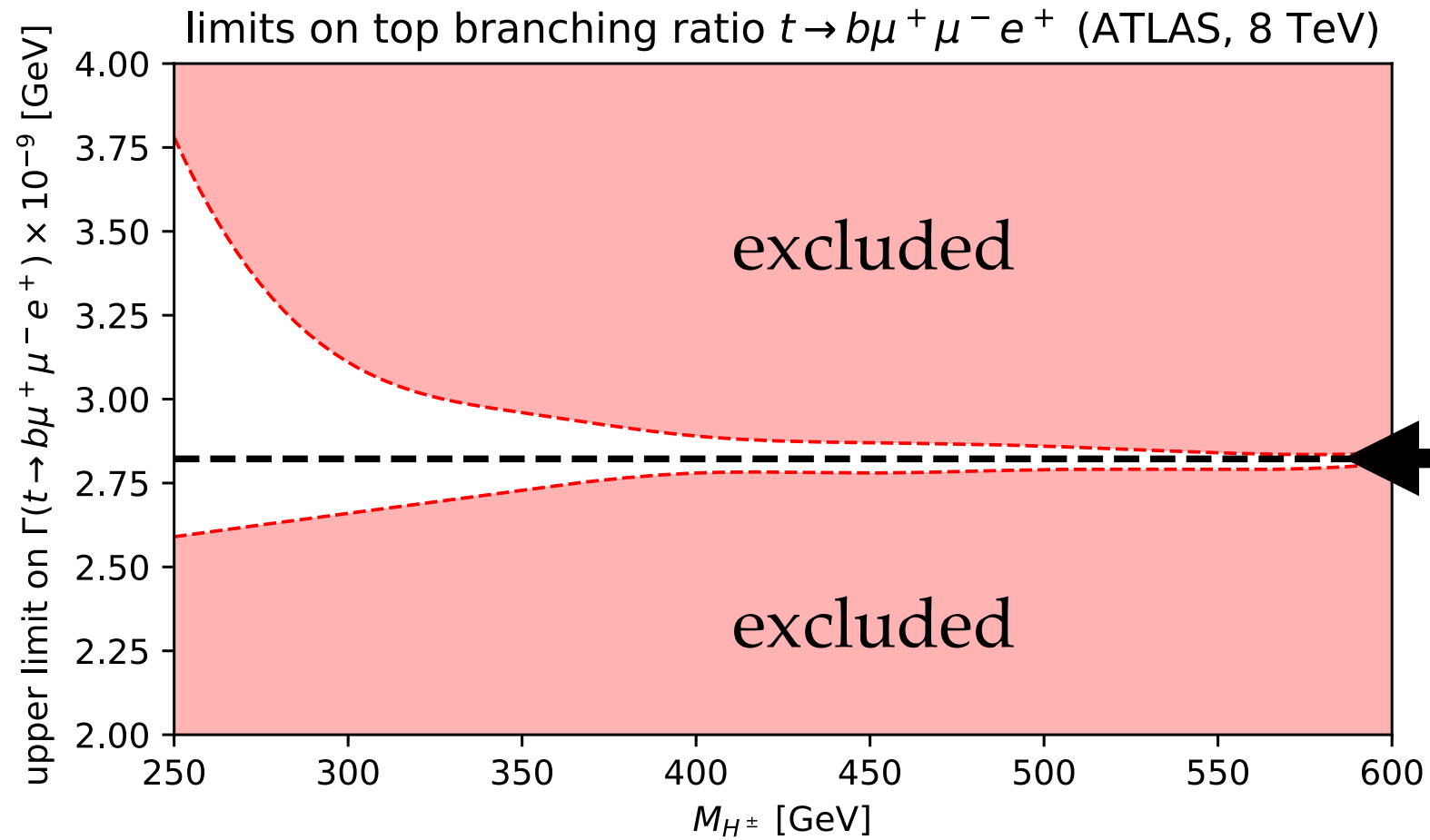
\Rightarrow challenging, even at FCC-hh!

can a new charged heavy scalar enhance the BR?

i.e.:

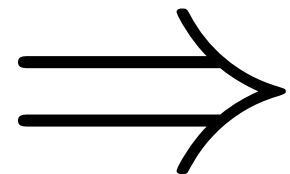


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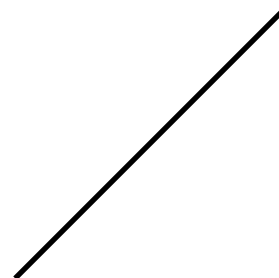
SM
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heavy scalar mass



NO! only up to BR $\sim 2 \times$ BR(SM).

$t \rightarrow ch$



$\text{BR}(\text{SM}) \sim 10^{-13}$

[see appendix for diagrams]

FCNC decay to Higgs + charm

[A.P., Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi, arXiv:1712.06332]

- ▶ flavour-changing neutral current through:

$$\mathcal{L}_{thc} = \lambda_{ct}^h \bar{Q}_c H q_t + \text{h.c.} \quad [\text{here: real \& symmetric couplings}]$$

- ▶ LHC: top pair production, current best constraints:

	ATLAS ($h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)	CMS ($h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$)
BR <	0.22%	0.47%

[13 TeV, $\sim 36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$]

*note: no c-tagging employed: constrain combination of $t \rightarrow hc$ and $t \rightarrow hu$.

- ▶ High-luminosity LHC projection: **BR < 0.02% ($h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$)**.

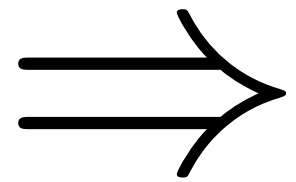
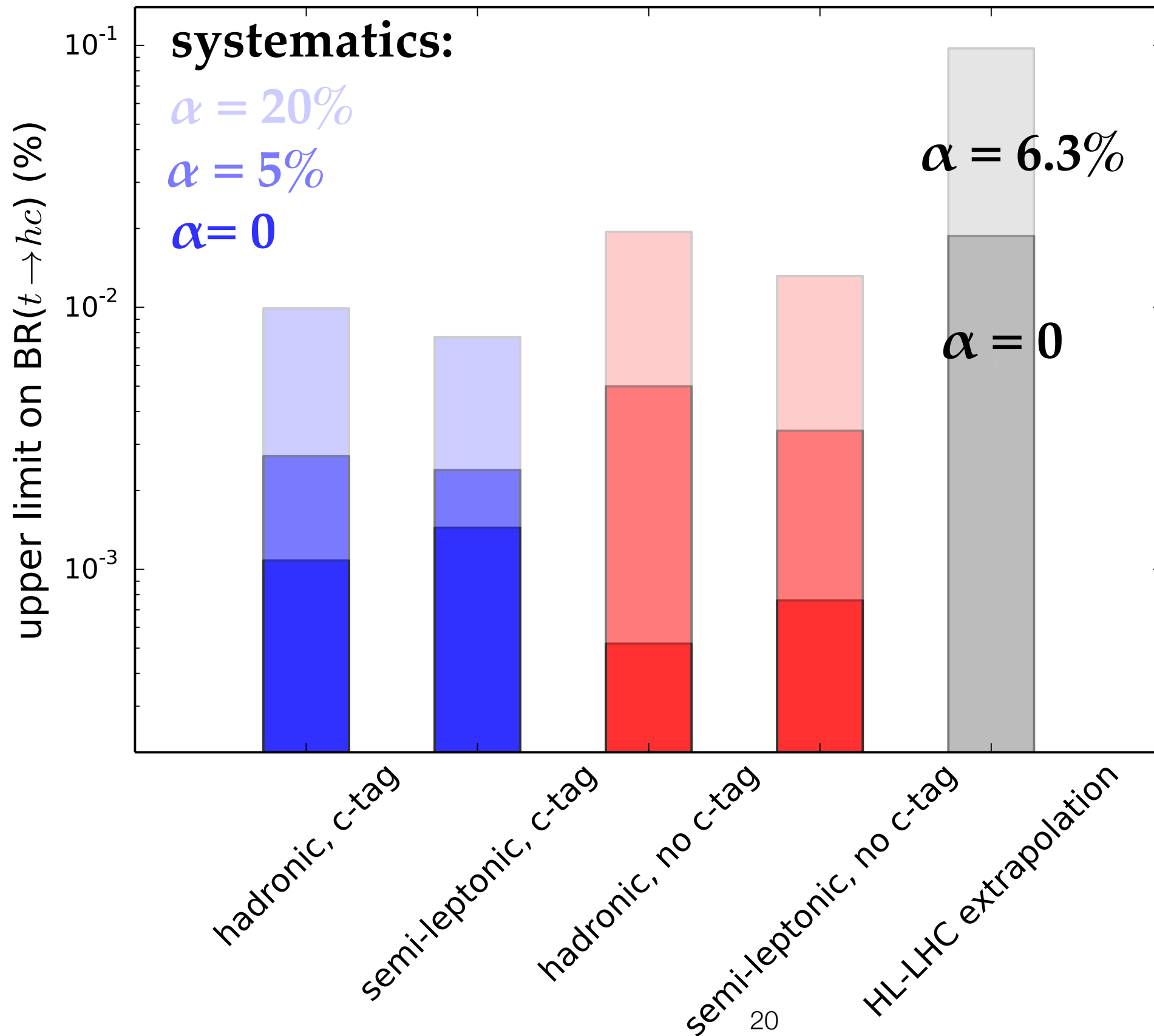
$t \rightarrow hc @ FCC-hh$

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- ▶ look at $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (hc)\bar{t}$. [and charge conjugate]
- ▶ $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ + two signal regions: (i) fully hadronic **or** (ii) semi-leptonic decays of the “non-signal” top.
- ▶ MG5_aMC@NLO [parton level] + HERWIG 7 [parton shower / non-pert. effects].
- ▶ two analyses: (i) with or (ii) without c-tagging. [see appendix for details]
- ▶ (very) rough estimates of systematics by rescaling backgrounds by a factor α .

constraints for $BR(t \rightarrow hc)$ @ FCC-hh

[A.P., Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi,
arXiv:1712.06332]



FCC-hh better than HL-LHC by at least an order of magnitude.

[see appendix for numerical results]

conclusions

- $\sim 10^{12}$ top quarks produced over the FCC-hh lifetime: an excellent opportunity to study its properties.
- in particular: **rare top decays**.
- we have examined $t \rightarrow bWZ$ and $t \rightarrow hc$ in our study.
- the SM radiative decay $t \rightarrow bWZ$ will be difficult to observe and heavy scalars do not increase the rate enough.
- for $t \rightarrow hc$: FCC-hh better than HL-LHC by at least an order of magnitude.
- **outlook**: what can the FCC-hh deliver on **other** rare decays?

Thanks!




appendix

analysis summary: $t \rightarrow hc @ FCC-hh$


[A.P., Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi, arXiv:1712.06332]

- ▶ signal ($\lambda=0.1$) and background **initial** cross sections:

Process	$\sigma_{\text{gen}}^{\text{had.}}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{\text{gen}}^{\text{s.l.}}$ [pb]
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (hc)\bar{t} + \text{h.c.}$	0.332	0.122
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}h$	0.044	0.030
$pp \rightarrow hjjW^{\pm}$	0.022	0.070
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$	0.042	0.028
$pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma jjW^{\pm}$	1.294	0.424



$$\bar{t} \rightarrow \bar{b}jj$$



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- summary of analysis, “hadronic” or “semi-leptonic” analysis:

exactly one b -jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$,
 $P_{b \rightarrow b} = 0.7$, $P_{c \rightarrow b} = 0.1$, $P_{l \rightarrow b} = 0.01$,
 ≥ 2 photons, $p_T > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$,

<p style="text-align: center;">hadronic: ≥ 1 light jets, top: combine b-jet + 1, 2 light jets.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">semi-leptonic: ≥ 1 leptons, $p_T > 25$ GeV, $\eta < 2.5$, solve for p_V^z using mass constraint.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">with c-tagging: $P_{c \rightarrow c} = 0.2$, $P_{l \rightarrow c} = 0.005$, $P_{b \rightarrow c} = 0.125$.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">no c-tagging: no charm jets.</p>


$m_{\text{top, reco}} \in [150, 200]$ GeV.
 $m_{\gamma\gamma c} \in [160, 190]$ GeV,

analysis results: $t \rightarrow hc$ @ FCC-hh


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- summary of resulting cross sections, “hadronic” or “semi-leptonic” analysis:

$\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ ab}^{-1}$		
Process	$N_{c\text{-tag}}^{\text{had.}}$	$N_{c\text{-tag}}^{\text{s.l.}}$
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (hc)\bar{t} + \text{h.c.}$	22952	10260
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}h$	1816	689
$pp \rightarrow hjjW^\pm$	7	1
$pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma jjW^\pm$	211	2
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$	107	39

$$\bar{t} \rightarrow \bar{b}jj$$


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$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (hc)\bar{t} + \text{h.c.}$	191871	61124
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}h$	26533	6962
$pp \rightarrow hjjW^\pm$	66	19
$pp \rightarrow \gamma\gamma jjW^\pm$	7130	164
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$	1598	478

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constraints: $t \rightarrow hc$ @ FCC-hh

[A.P., Tetlalmatzi-Xolocotzi, arXiv:1712.06332]

- summary of resulting cross sections, “hadronic” or “semi-leptonic” analysis:

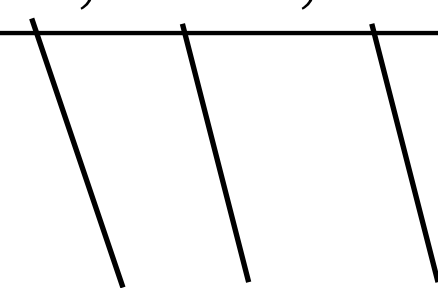
with c -tagging:

analysis:	hadr.,	semi-lept.
$\lambda_{ct}^h \times 10^{-3}$	(6.42, 10.15, 19.40)	(7.40, 9.52, 17.08)
BR in $10^{-3}\%$	(1.08, 2.70, 9.91)	(1.44, 2.39, 7.69)

no c -tagging:

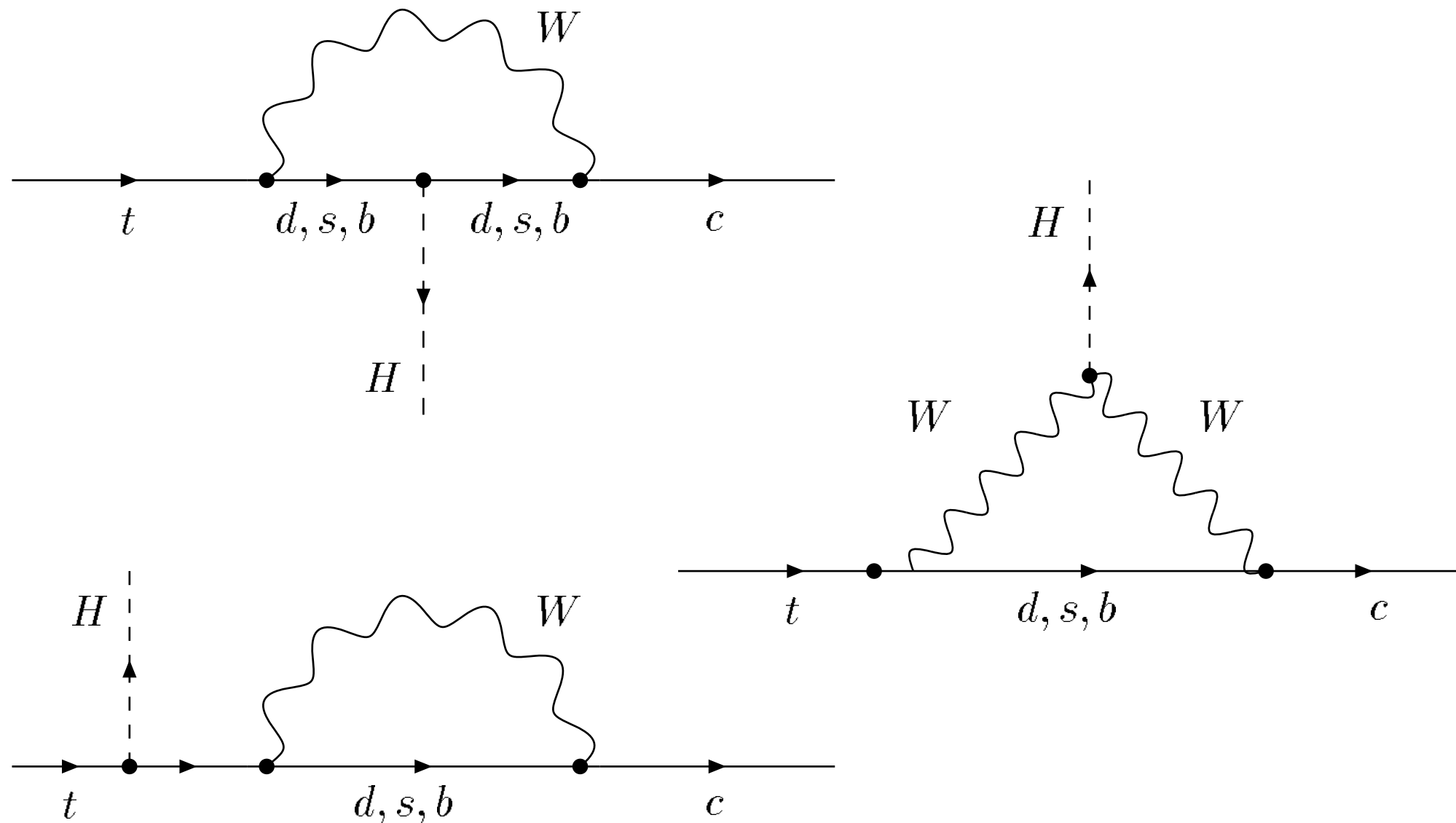
$\lambda_{ct}^h \times 10^{-3}$	(4.43, 13.61, 27.15)	(5.38, 11.32, 22.36)
BR in $10^{-3}\%$	(0.52, 4.99, 19.42)	(0.76, 3.38, 13.17)

systematics: $\alpha = (0, 5\%, 20\%)$



Feynman graphs for $t \rightarrow ch$

[Mele, hep-ph/0003064]



(unitary gauge, assuming $m_c = 0$)

rare top decays summary

Input $\sigma = 35$ nb and $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 10^4$ fb $^{-1}$

Channel	Br (SM)	# events (SM)	Br (THDM)	# events (THDM)	Br (MSSM)	# events (MSSM)
bW	1	$35 \cdot 10^{10}$				
sW	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-3}$ [1]	$5.6 \cdot 10^8$	$\sim 10^{-3}$ [2]	$\sim 3.5 \cdot 10^8$	$10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$ [2]	$3.5 \cdot (10^8 - \cdot 10^9)$
dW	$\sim 10^{-4}$ [1] ($\sim 5.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [2])	$3.5 \cdot 10^7$ ($1.9 \cdot 10^7$)				
bWg	0.3 [1, 3]	$1.05 \cdot 10^{11}$				
$bW\gamma$	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$ ($E_\gamma > 10$ GeV) [1]	$1.225 \cdot 10^9$				
bWZ	$2 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [1]	$7 \cdot 10^5$	$\simeq 10^{-4}$ [2]	$3.5 \cdot 10^7$		
bWH	$1.80 \cdot 10^{-9}$ [4]	630				
cWW	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-13}$ [5]	0.0455	$10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$	$3.5 \cdot (10^7 - 10^8)$ [2]		
$u\gamma$	$(3.7^{+2.7}_{-2.3}) \cdot 10^{-16}$ [6]	$1.295 \cdot 10^{-4}$			$2 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [13]	$7 \cdot 10^5$
$c\gamma$	$5 \cdot 10^{-13}$ [7] $(4.6^{+2.0}_{-1.2}) \cdot 10^{-14}$ [6]	0.175 0.0161	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$ [8]	$\mathcal{O}(3.5 \cdot 10^5)$	$\mathcal{O}(10^{-7})$ [2]	$\mathcal{O}(3.5 \cdot 10^4)$
ug	$(3.7^{+2.8}_{-2.3}) \cdot 10^{-14}$ [6]	0.01295			$8 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [13]	$2.8 \cdot 10^7$
cg	$(4.6^{+2.4}_{-1.2}) \cdot 10^{-12}$ [6]	1.61	10^{-4} [13]	$3.5 \cdot 10^7$	$8.0 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [13]	$2.8 \cdot 10^7$
uZ	$8 \cdot 10^{-17}$ [13]	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-5}$			$2.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [13]	$7.0 \cdot 10^5$
cZ	$1.3 \cdot 10^{-13}$ [9, 2] 10^{-14} [13]	0.0455 $3.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	10^{-7} [13]	$3.5 \cdot 10^4$	$2 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [13]	$7.0 \cdot 10^5$
uH	$2.0 \cdot 10^{-17}$ [13]	$7.0 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$5.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [13]	$1.9 \cdot 10^6$	10^{-5} [13]	$3.5 \cdot 10^6$
cH	$0.4605 \cdot 10^{-13}$ $m_H = 120$ GeV [12] $0.3146 \cdot 10^{-13}$ $m_H = 130$ GeV [12]	0.01612 0.01101	$1.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [13]	$5.25 \cdot 10^6$	10^{-5} [13]	$3.5 \cdot 10^6$
$c\gamma\gamma$	$< 10^{-16}$ [2]	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$\sim 10^{-4}$ [2]	$\sim 3.5 \cdot 10^7$	$< 10^{-8}$ [2]	$< 3.5 \cdot 10^3$
cZZ			$10^{-5} - 10^{-3}$ [2]	$3.5 \cdot 10^6 - 3.5 \cdot 10^8$		

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- The determination of $Br(t \rightarrow bWH)$ shown in the Table was done considering a virtual W and $m_H = 125.5$ GeV.
- In models with extra $Q = 2/3$ singlets the following bound is obtained $Br(t \rightarrow ug) = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-7}$ [13], for this case $\#$ events = 52500.
- Other BSM bounds for $Br(t \rightarrow c\gamma)$: $\mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$ (Warped Extra Dimensions [10]).
- Current experimental bounds for $Br(t \rightarrow c\gamma)$ and $Br(t \rightarrow u\gamma)$ from CMS: $Br(t \rightarrow c\gamma) < 1.7 \cdot 10^{-3}$ and $Br(t \rightarrow u\gamma) < 1.3 \cdot 10^{-4}$ [11].
- In models with extra $Q = 2/3$ singlets $Br(t \rightarrow uZ) = 1.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$ [13], for this case $\#$ events = $3.85 \cdot 10^7$.
- In non minimal models with R parity violation it is possible to have $Br(t \rightarrow cZ) = 3 \cdot 10^{-5}$ and consequently $\#$ events = $1.05 \cdot 10^7$.
- Other reference for the SM calculation of $Br(t \rightarrow hc)$ commonly quoted in the literature is [13] $Br(t \rightarrow hc) = 3.5 \cdot 10^{-15}$. See also: [14].
- Current experimental (observed) bound for $Br(t \rightarrow hc)$ from Atlas: $Br(t \rightarrow hc) < 0.46\%$ [15].
- In models with extra $Q = 2/3$ singlets the following bound is obtained $Br(t \rightarrow hu) = 4.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [13] leading to $\#$ events = $1.435 \cdot 10^7$.
- Current experimental (observed) bound for $Br(t \rightarrow hu)$ from Atlas: $Br(t \rightarrow hu) < 0.45\%$ [15].

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