

Probing the electroweak symmetry breaking with Higgs production at the LHC

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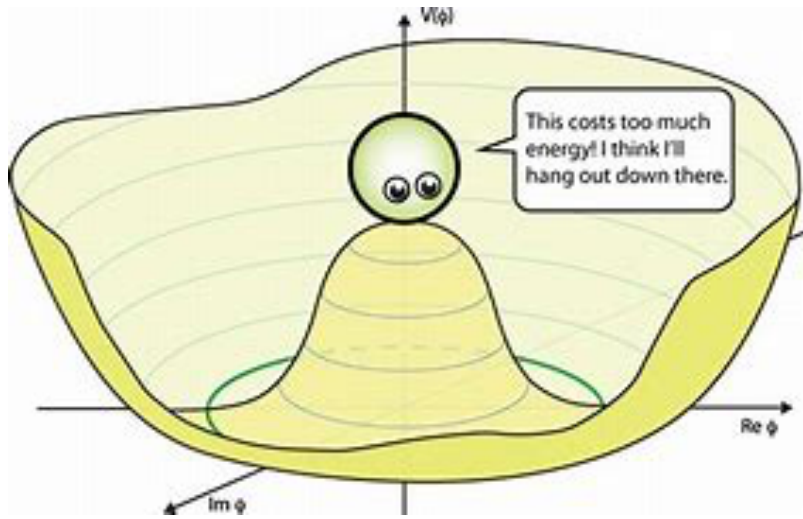
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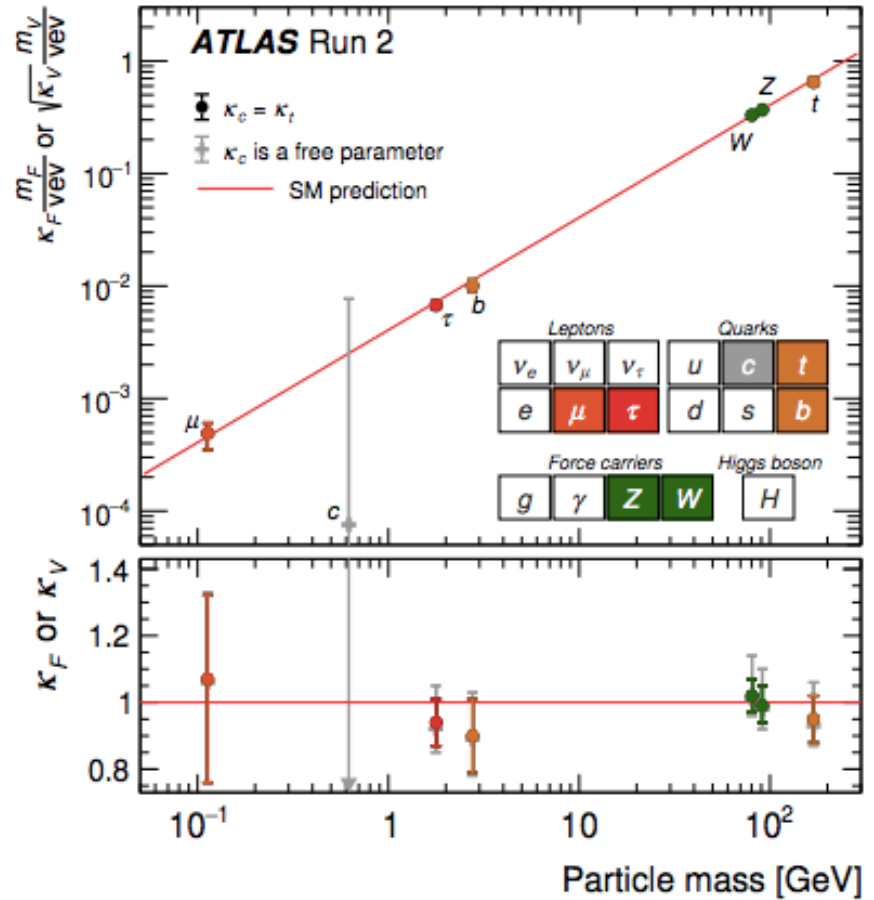


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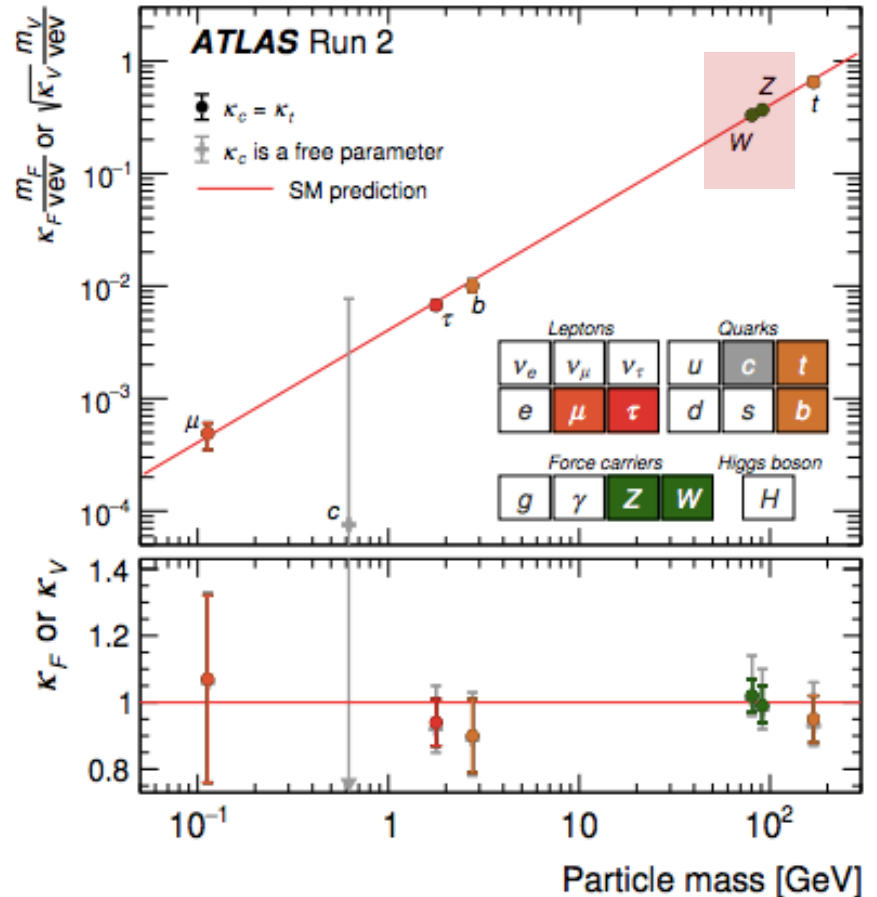
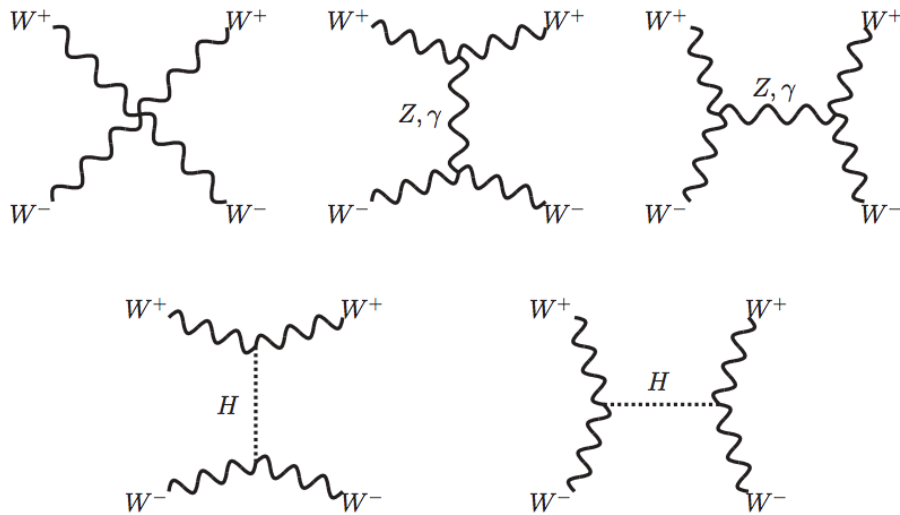
Higgs mechanism

All fundamental particles get their mass from Higgs boson vev





Higgs couplings and EWSB



HVV couplings play the key role to probe the EWSB



Higgs couplings and EWSB

$$\mathcal{L}_{hVV} = \kappa_W g_{hWW}^{\text{SM}} h W_{\mu}^{+} W^{-\mu} + \frac{\kappa_Z}{2} g_{hZZ}^{\text{SM}} h Z_{\mu} Z^{\mu},$$

$$g_{hVV}^{\text{SM}} = 2m_V^2/v \qquad \lambda_{WZ} \equiv \frac{\kappa_W}{\kappa_Z}$$

The other operators will be induced from the loop level

C. Arzt, M.B. Einhorn and J. Wudka, NPB 433,41(1995)

e.g. $H^+ H B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$, $(D^{\mu} H)^+ (D^{\nu}) B_{\mu\nu}$, $(D^{\mu} H)^+ \sigma^i (D^{\nu} H) W_{\mu\nu}^I$

To verify the EWSB, we need to determine:

- (1) The **magnitude** of the Higgs couplings
- (2) The **relative sign** between hWW and hZZ couplings

Higgs couplings and New Physics

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e.g. I. Low, 1412.2145, 1412.2146

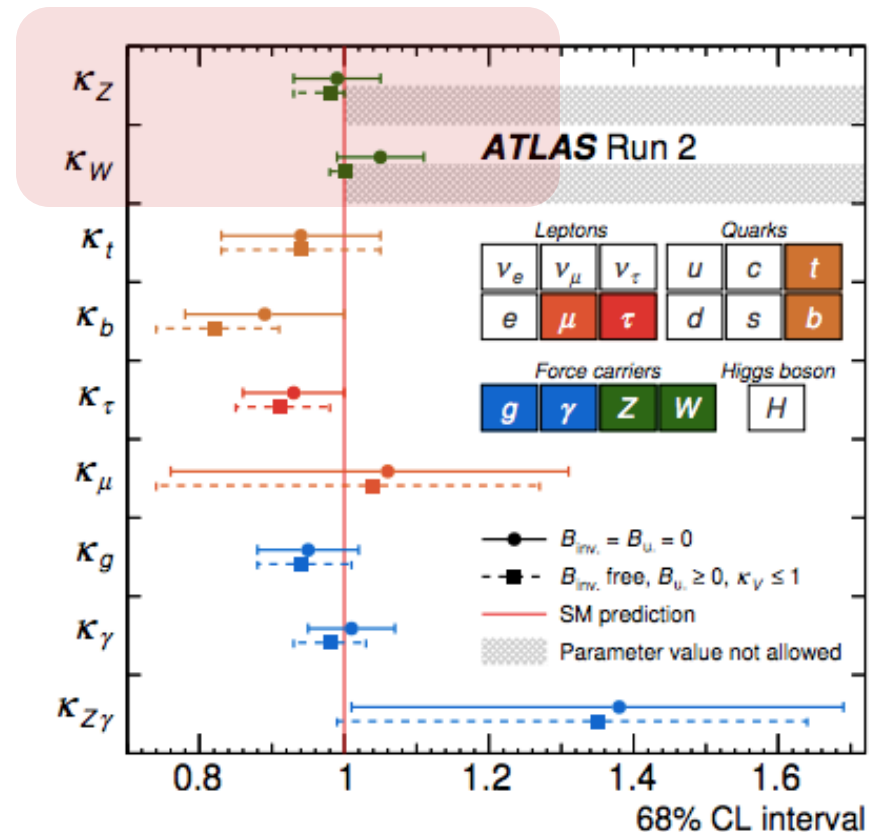
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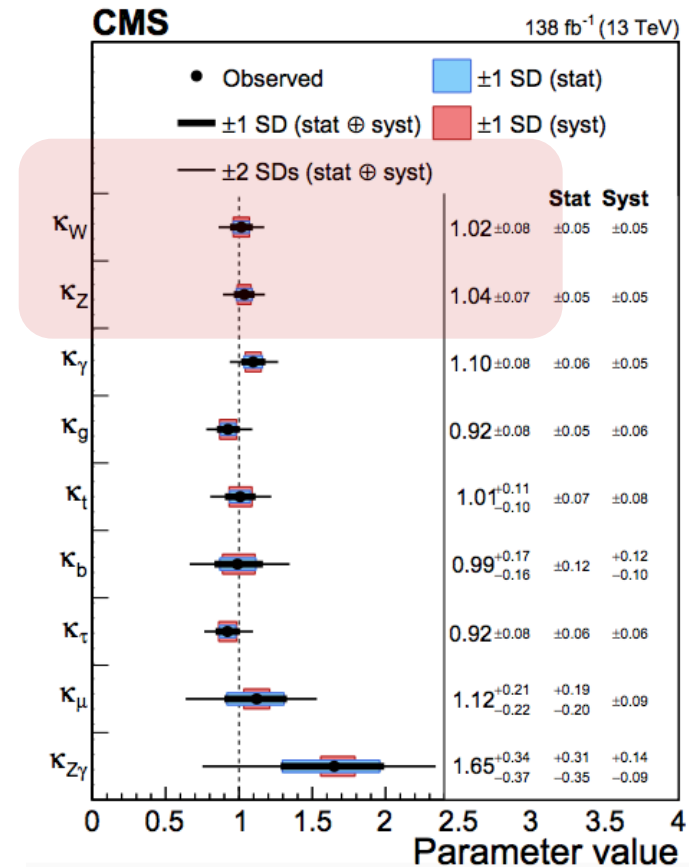
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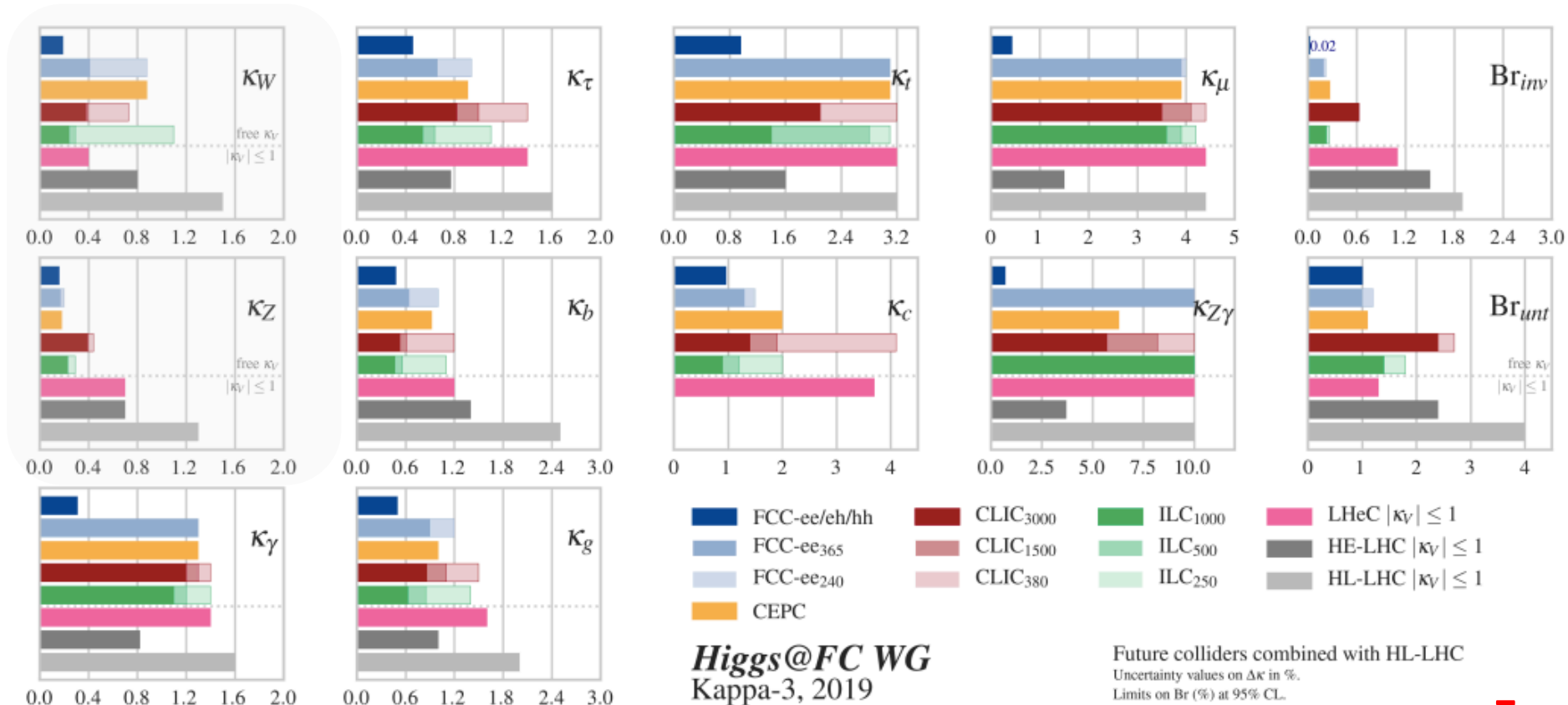


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(2) The **negative relative** sign of Higgs couplings @NP

$$\lambda_{WZ} \equiv \frac{\kappa_W}{\kappa_Z}$$

I. Low, J. Lykken, JHEP10(2010)053

It depends on the custodial representation of Higgs.

$$\lambda_{WZ} < 0$$

e.g. fiveplet in Georgi-Machacek model

$$\lambda_{WZ} = -1, \rho = 1$$

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Directly probing the sign is very important for testing EWSB

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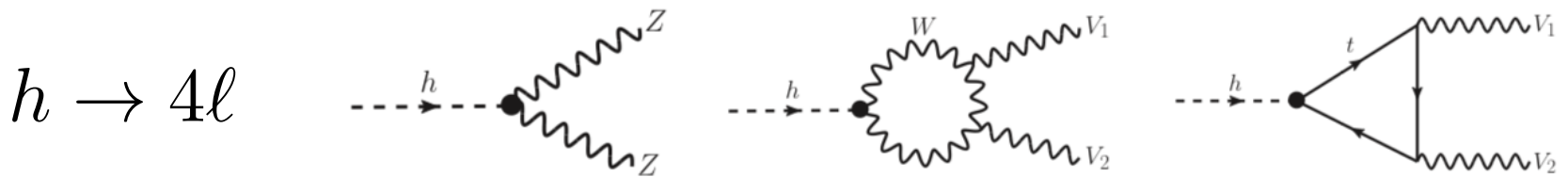
How to fix the relative sign
between hWW and hZZ couplings



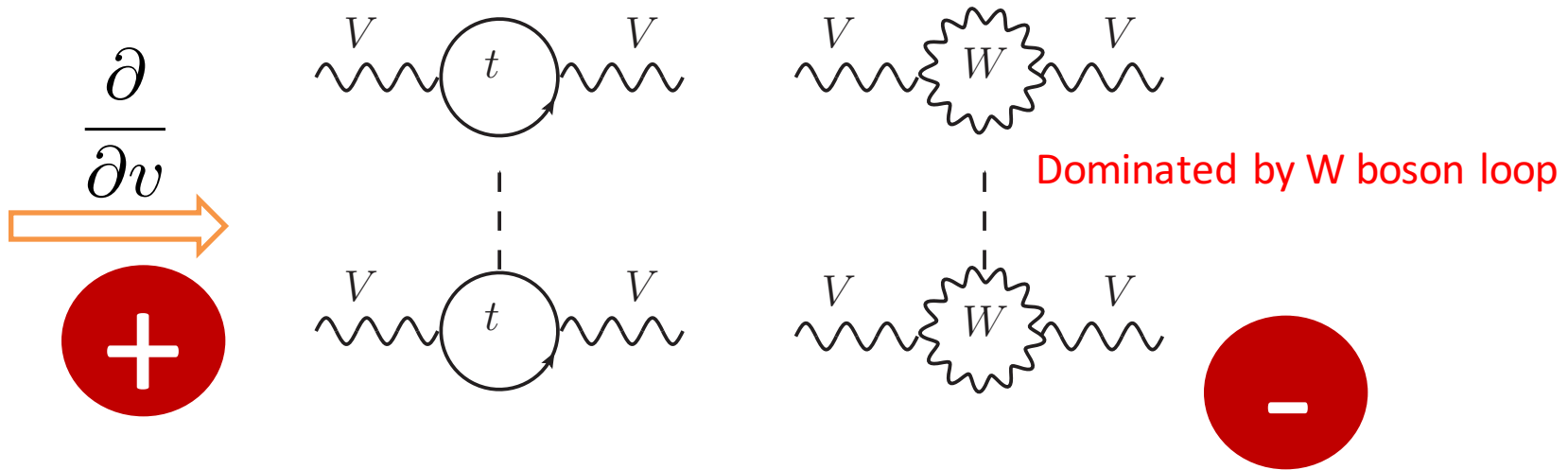
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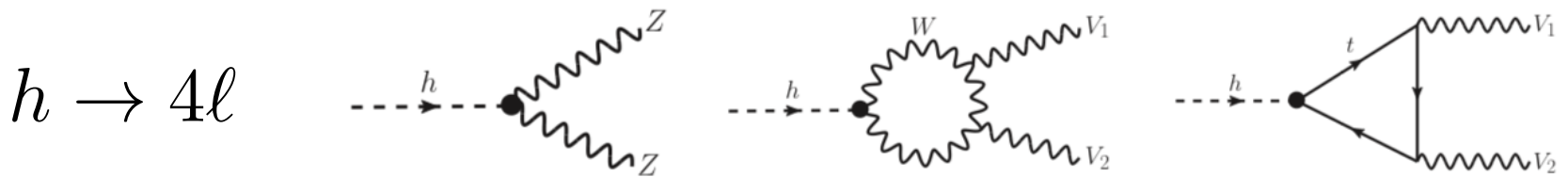
Low Energy Theorem: Dawson and Haber (1989)



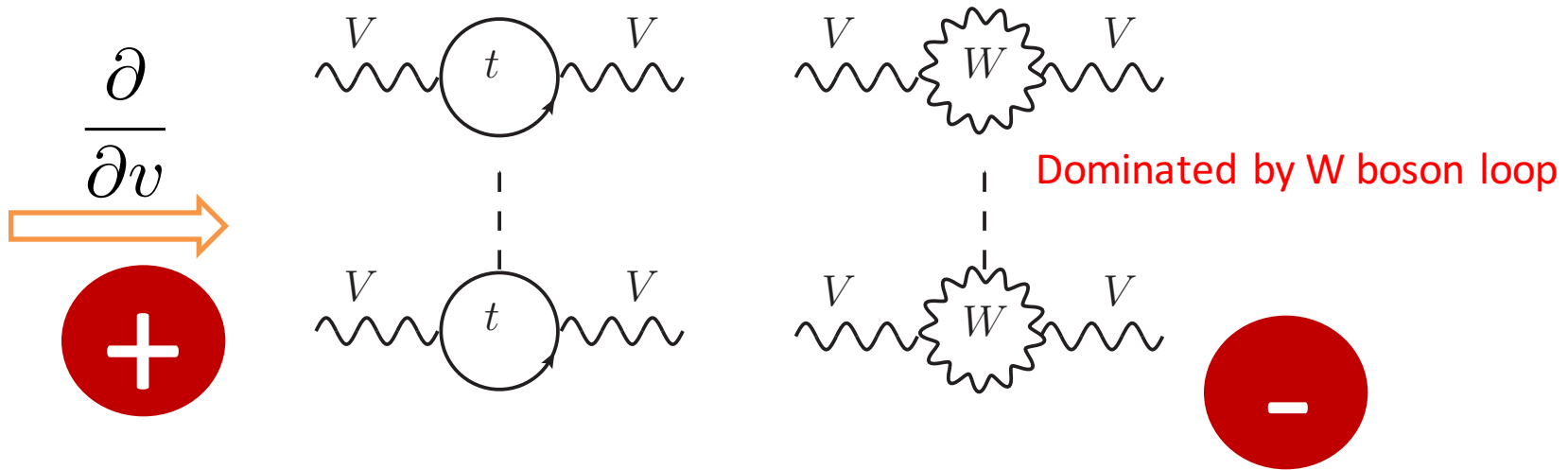
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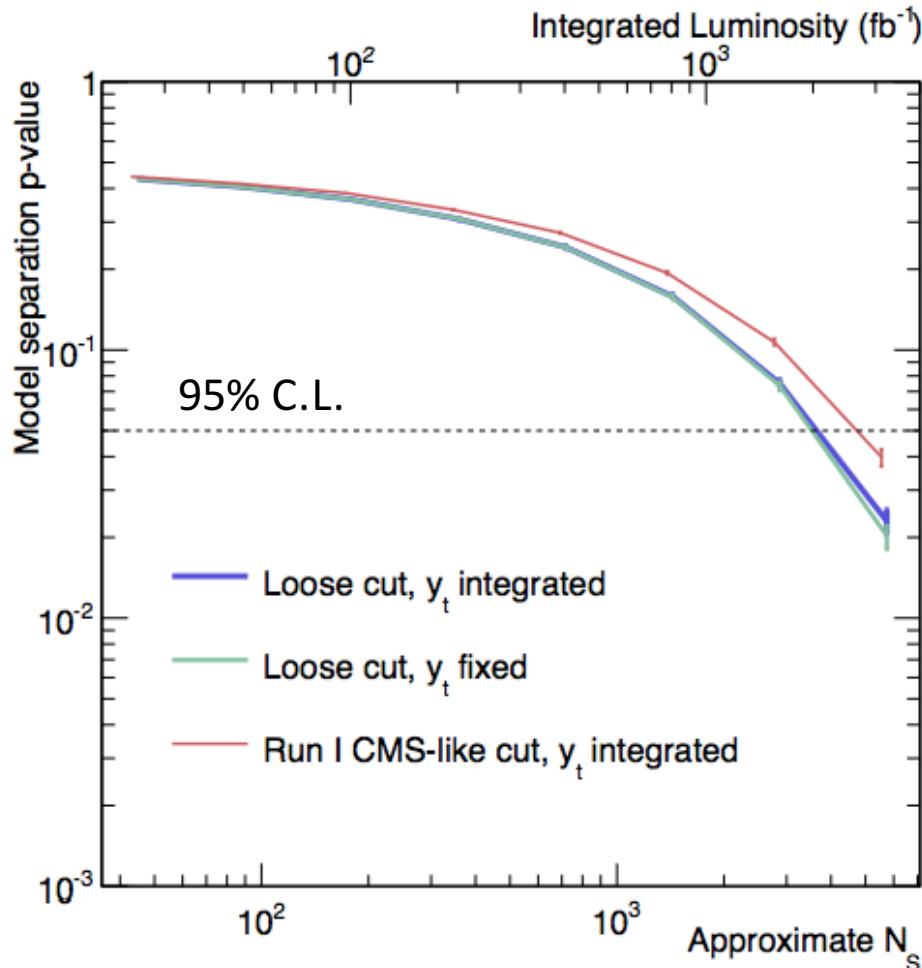


This process is sensitive to the sign $\lambda_{WZ} \equiv \frac{\kappa_W}{\kappa_Z}$



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The probability of mistaking a SM Higgs for a custodial fiveplet

The fiveplet has been excluded by the recent LHC data

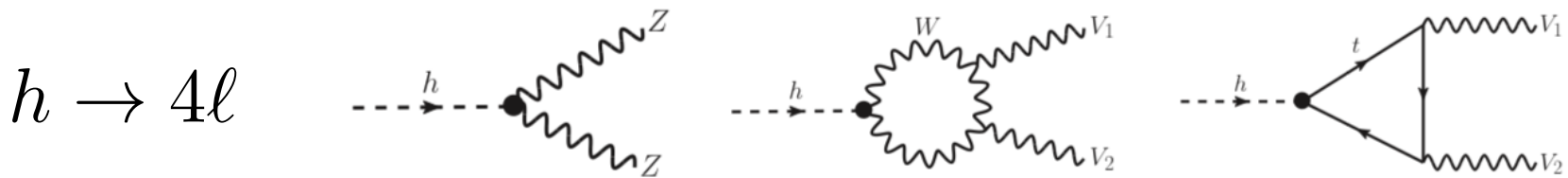
$$\text{fiveplet} : \lambda_{WZ} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

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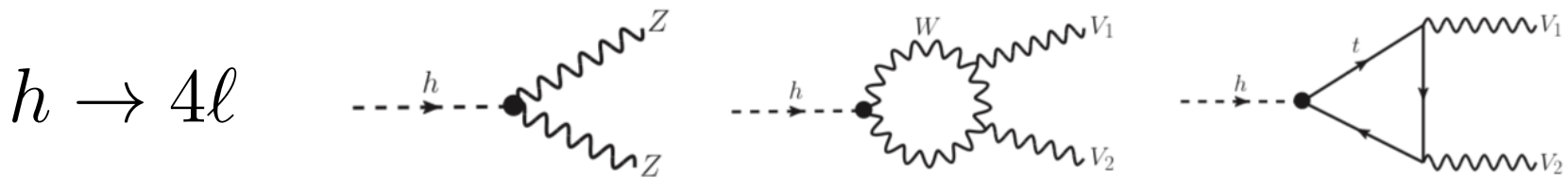
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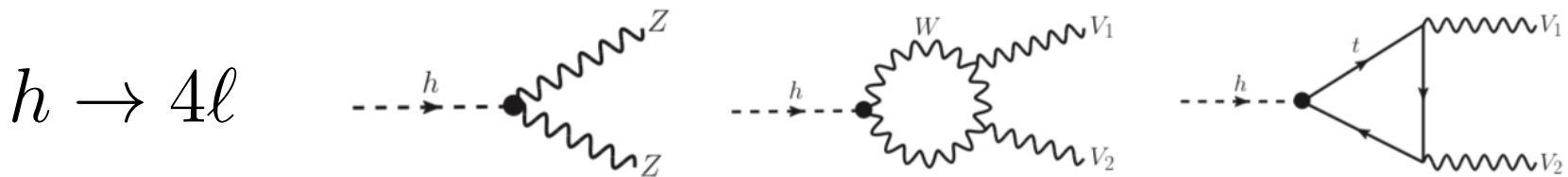
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Suppressed by Z boson mass

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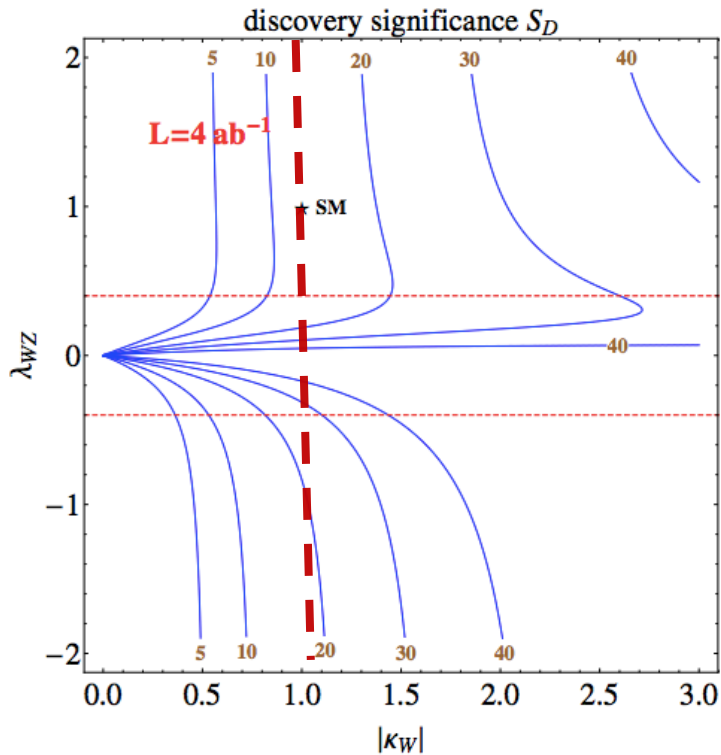
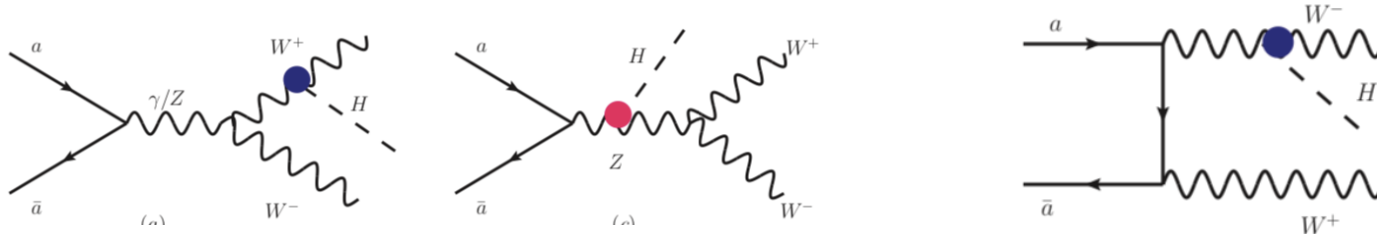
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It is also more sensitive to the hZZ coupling, while not for hWW coupling

EWSB@ lepton colliders

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-H$$

C.W Chiang, X. G. He and G. Li, JHEP08(2018) 126



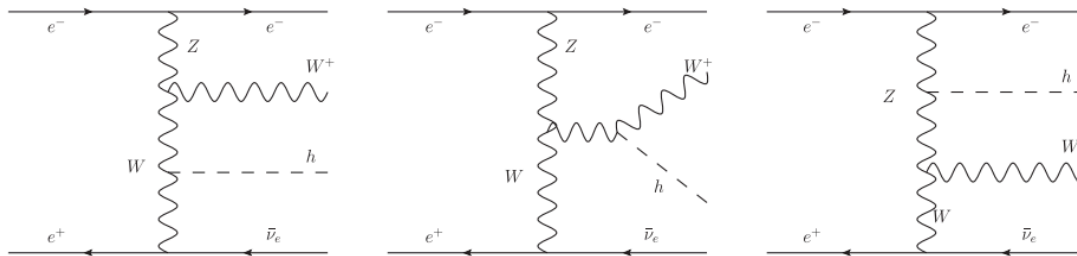
The destructive interference effects

500 GeV @ ILC

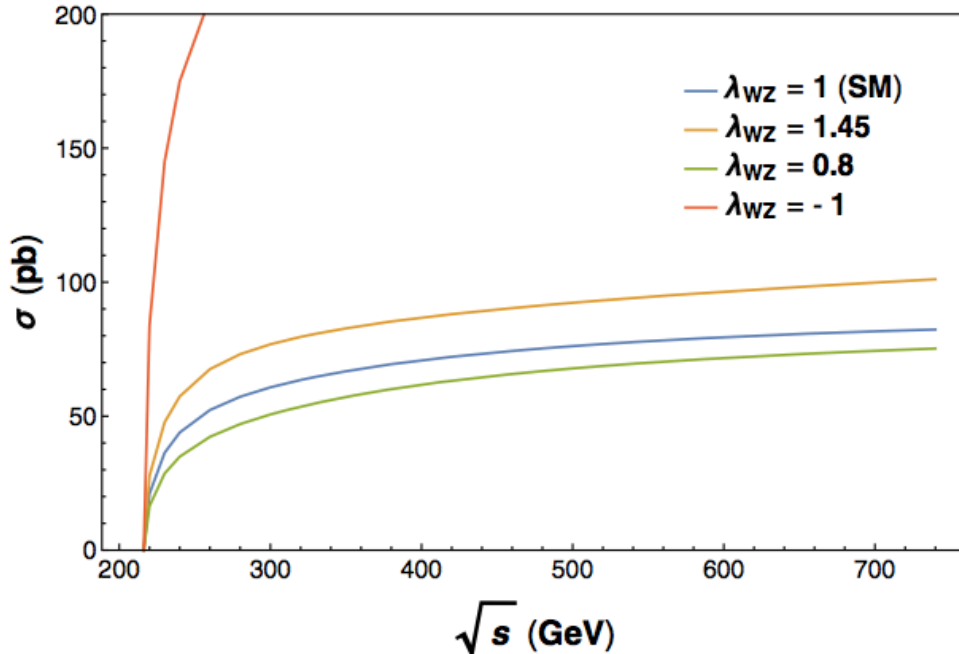
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$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \nu_e\bar{\nu}_e ZH/\nu_e eWH$$

D. Stolarski and Y. Wu, PRD102(2020)3,033006



$W^+ W^- \rightarrow Z h$ Total Cross Sections

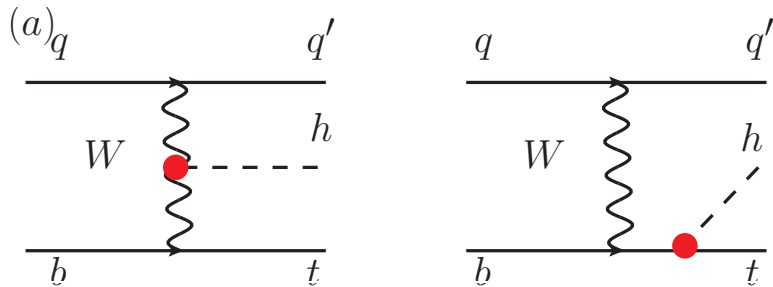


The cross section is sensitive to the sign: from the unitarity of the VV scattering

th and Zh production

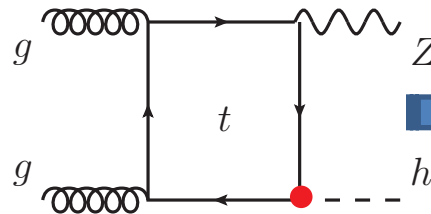
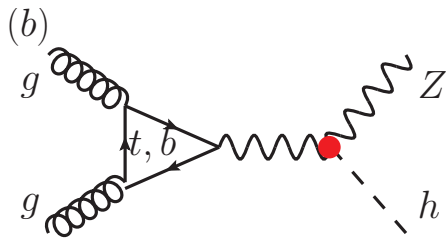
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M. Farina et al, 1211,373
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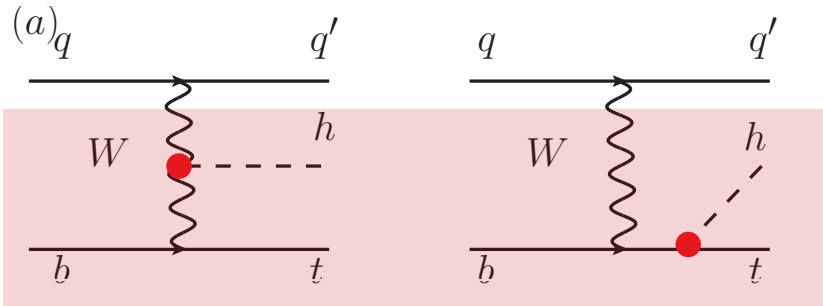
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Top quark Yukawa coupling as a bridge



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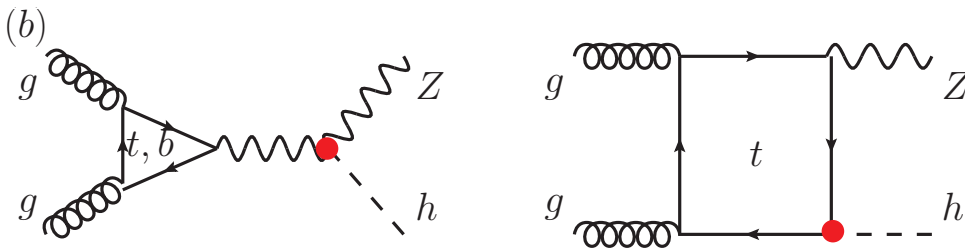
High Energy behavior



relative sign between **htt** and **hWW**

$$bW^\mu \rightarrow ht$$

$$M \sim \bar{u}(t) \left[\underline{m_t(\kappa_t - \kappa_W)} + \left(\underline{\frac{2m_W^2}{u}\kappa_W} + \frac{m_t^2}{s}\kappa_t \right) \not{p}_W \right] P_L u(b).$$



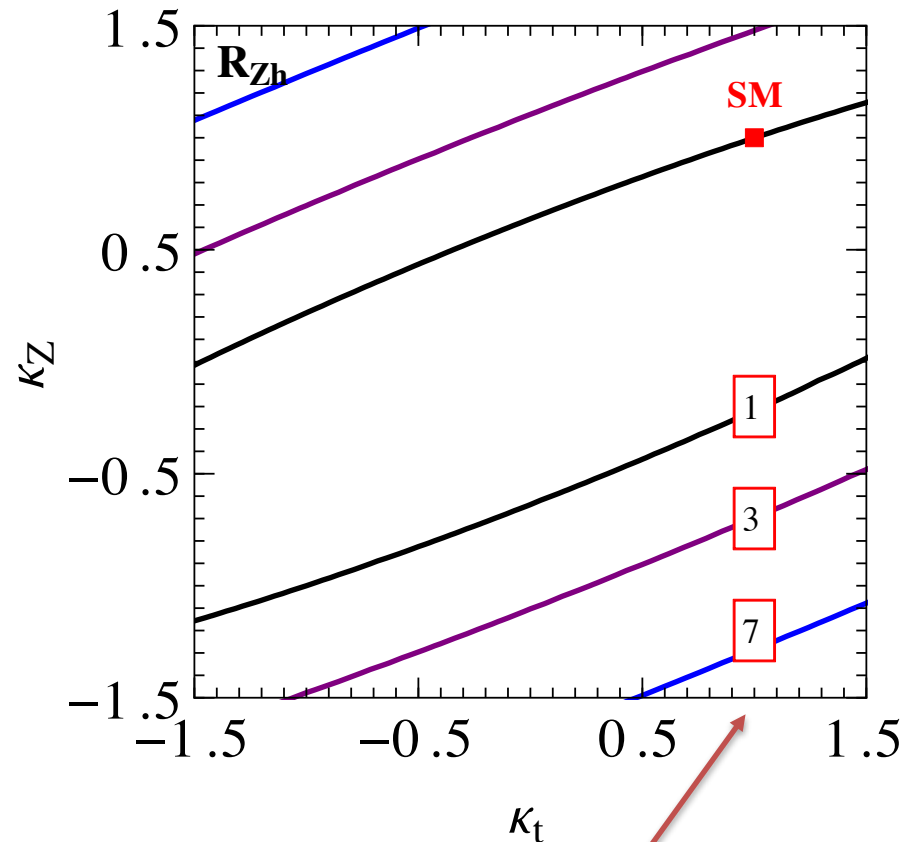
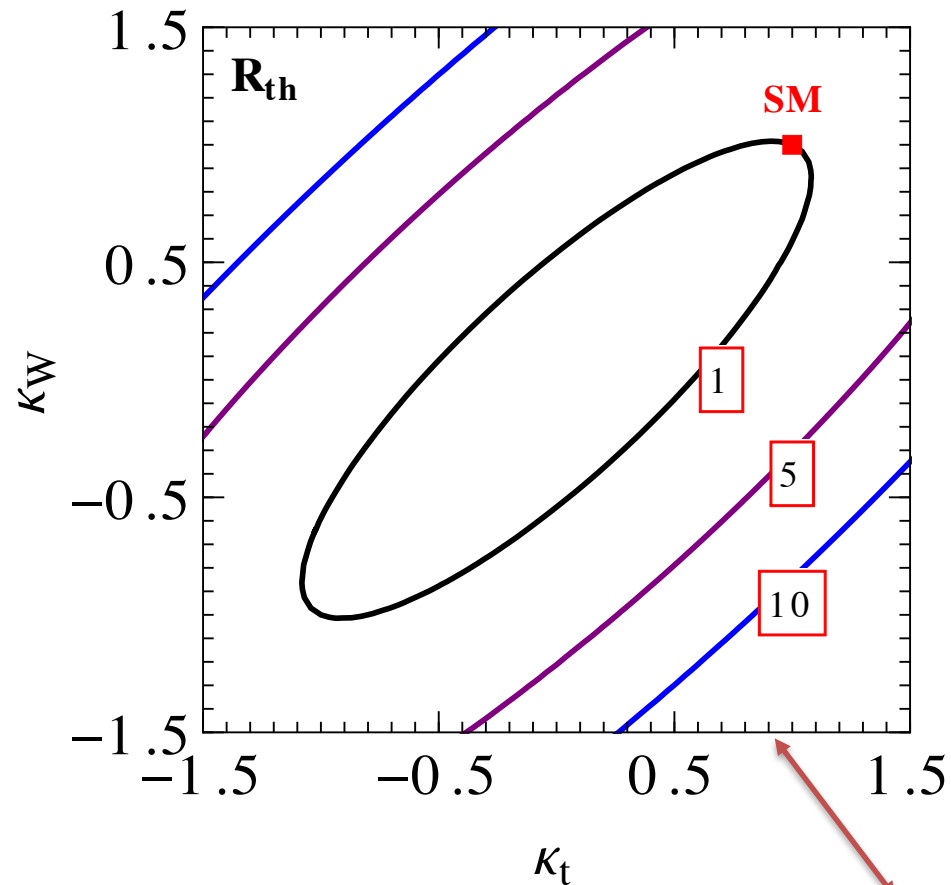
relative sign between **htt** and **hZZ**

$$M_{\pm, \pm, 0} \sim \frac{m_t^2}{m_Z^2} \left(\underline{\kappa_Z - \kappa_t} \right) \log^2 \left(-\frac{s}{m_t^2} \right)$$

Cross sections@ 13 TeV LHC

$$R_{th} = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow th)}{\sigma^{\text{SM}}(pp \rightarrow th)}$$

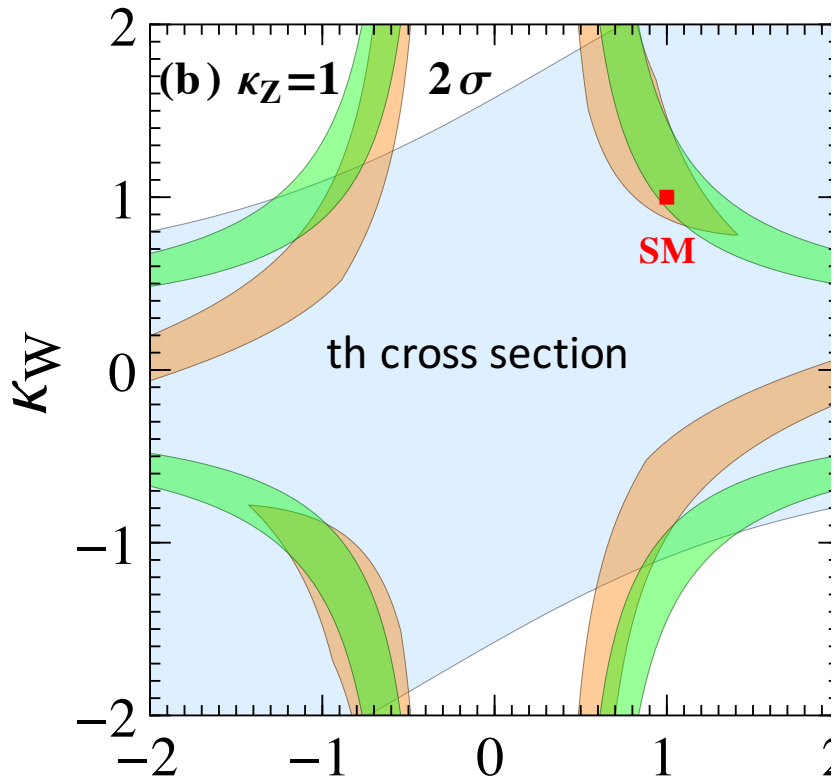
$$R_{Zh} = \frac{\sigma(gg \rightarrow Zh)}{\sigma^{\text{SM}}(gg \rightarrow Zh)}$$



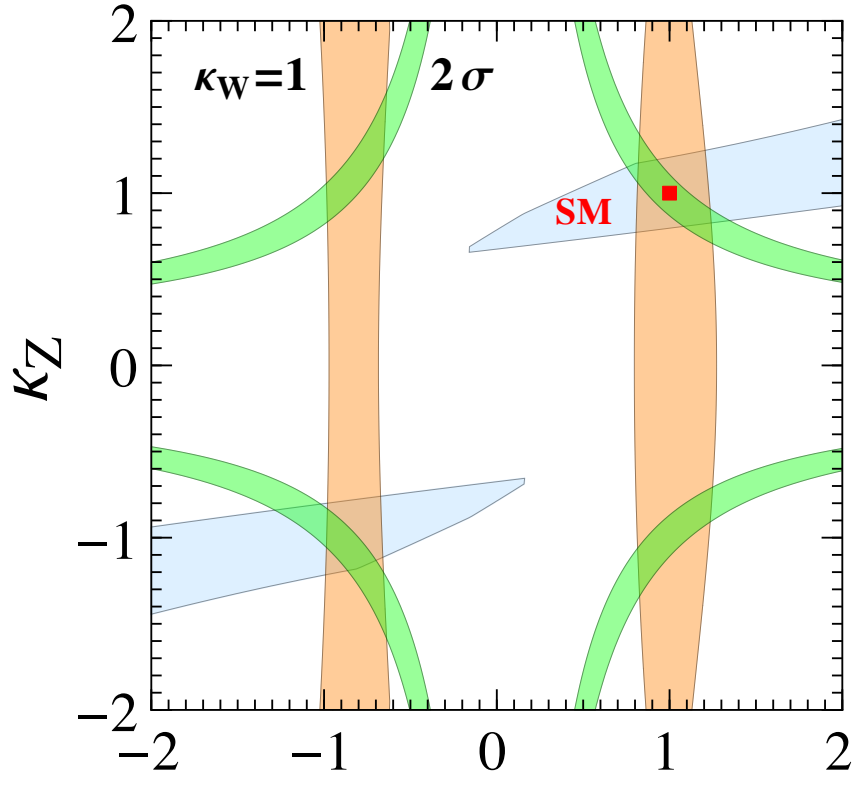
The cross sections will be large enhanced

Limits from current LHC

Orange: tth
 Green: ggF, h->WW
 Blue: th



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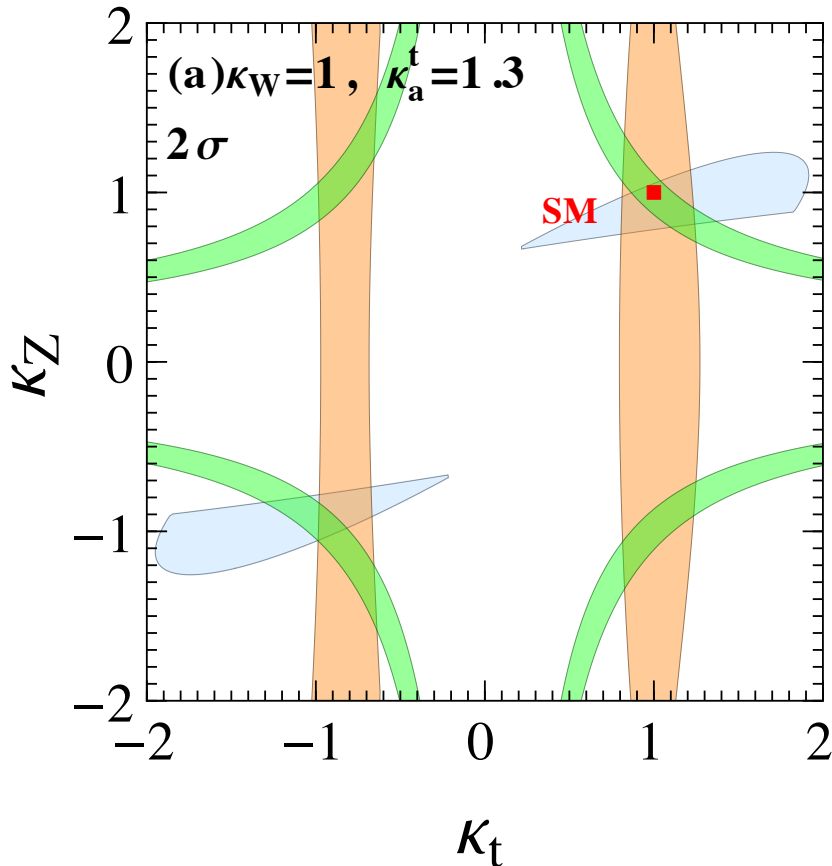
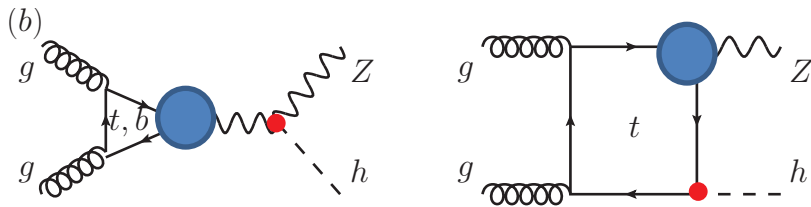


$\kappa_t \kappa_W < 0$ Excluded by current data

$\kappa_t \kappa_Z < 0$ 21

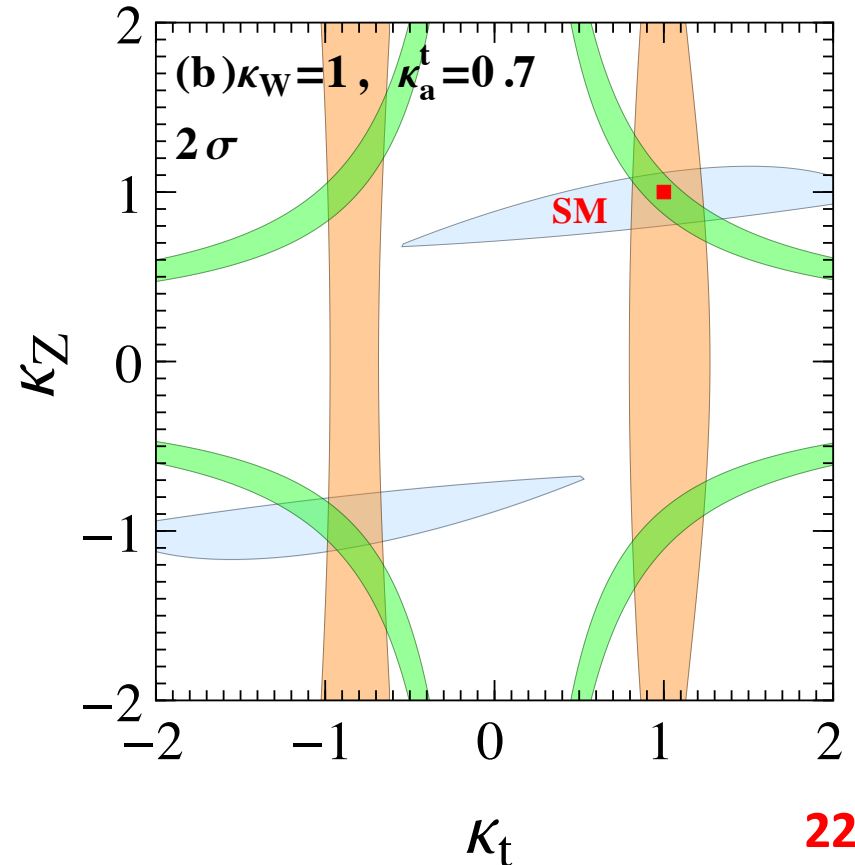
The impact of the $Zt\bar{t}$ coupling

B. Yan, C.-P. Yuan, PRL 127 (2021)5,051801



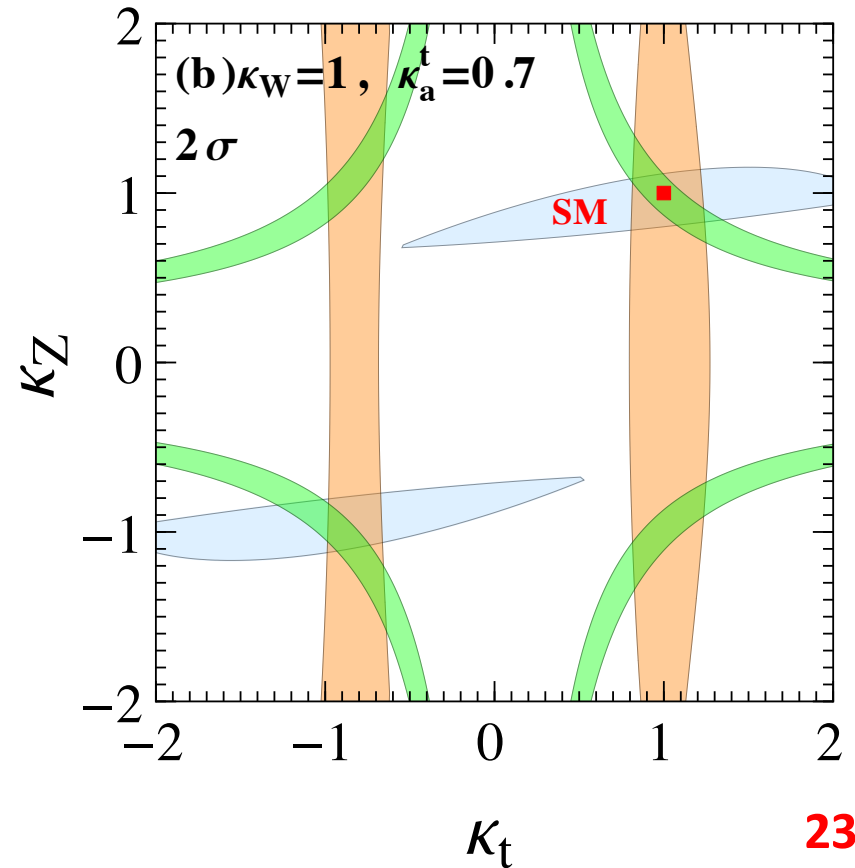
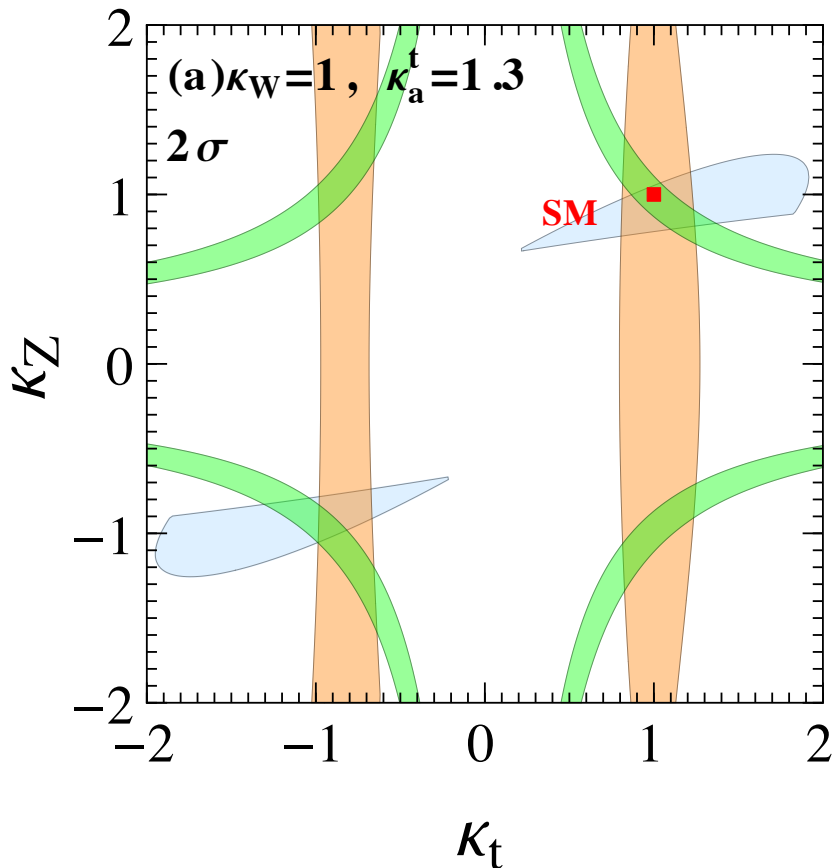
Charge conjugation invariance

Only **axial-vector components** contribute to the cross section

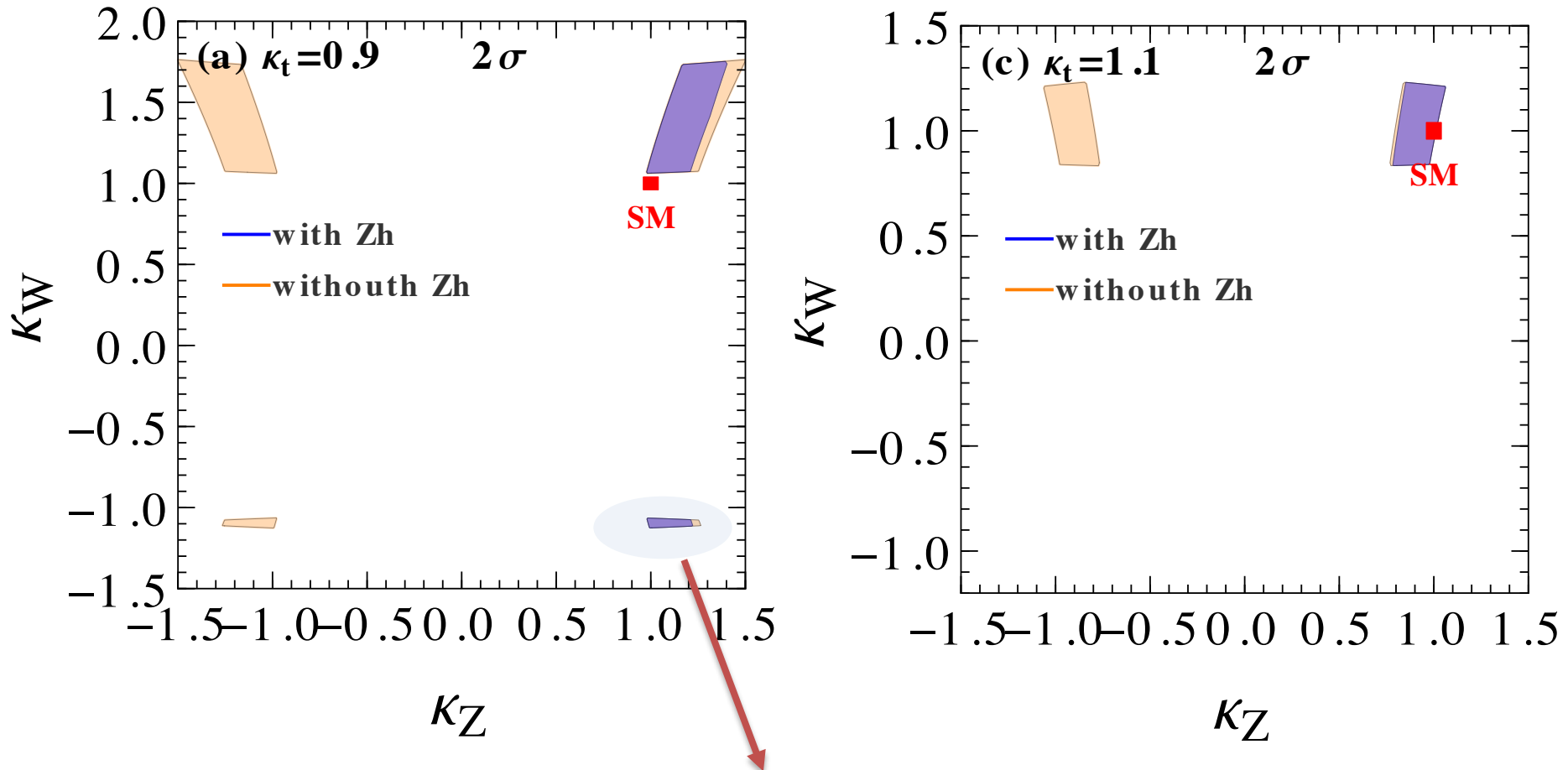


The impact of the Ztt coupling

The conclusion is not sensitive to the assumption of the Ztt coupling



Limits from current LHC



Summary

- A. We proposed a new method to pin down the relative sign between hWW and hZZ couplings, which is a key part to verify the EWSB;
- B. Combing **th and Zh data** at the 13 TeV LHC, the data favors the same sign of hWW and hZZ couplings.
- C. This conclusion is not sensitive to the other possible new physics in Zh production.

