The anomalous Zbb couplings: From LEP to LHC

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Bin Yan, C.-P. Yuan, arxiv:2101.06261

Status of Zbb couplings

	measured value	SM prediction
R_b^0	0.21629 ± 0.00066	0.21578 ± 0.00011
$A_{\rm FB}^{0,b}$	0.0992 ± 0.0016	0.1032 ± 0.0004
$\mathcal{A}_b$	0.923 ± 0.020	0.93463 ± 0.00004

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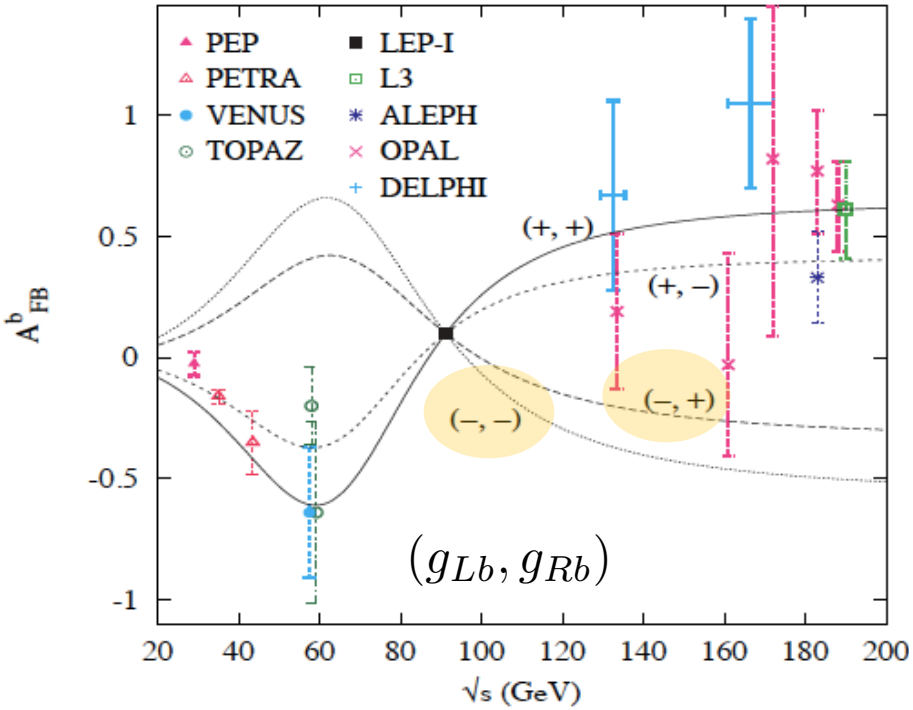
EPJC74 (2014)3046

$$R_b = \frac{\Gamma(Z \to b\bar{b})}{\sum_q \Gamma(Z \to q\bar{q})}$$

2.5σ deviation with SM prediction



D. Choudhury, T. M. P. Tait, C.E.M. Wagner,
PRD 65(2002)053002

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{g}{c_W} Z_\mu (g_{Lb} \bar{b}_L \gamma^\mu b_L + g_{Rb} \bar{b}_R \gamma^\mu b_R)$$

$g_{Lb} < 0$ was Excluded

g_{Rb} Could be positive and negative

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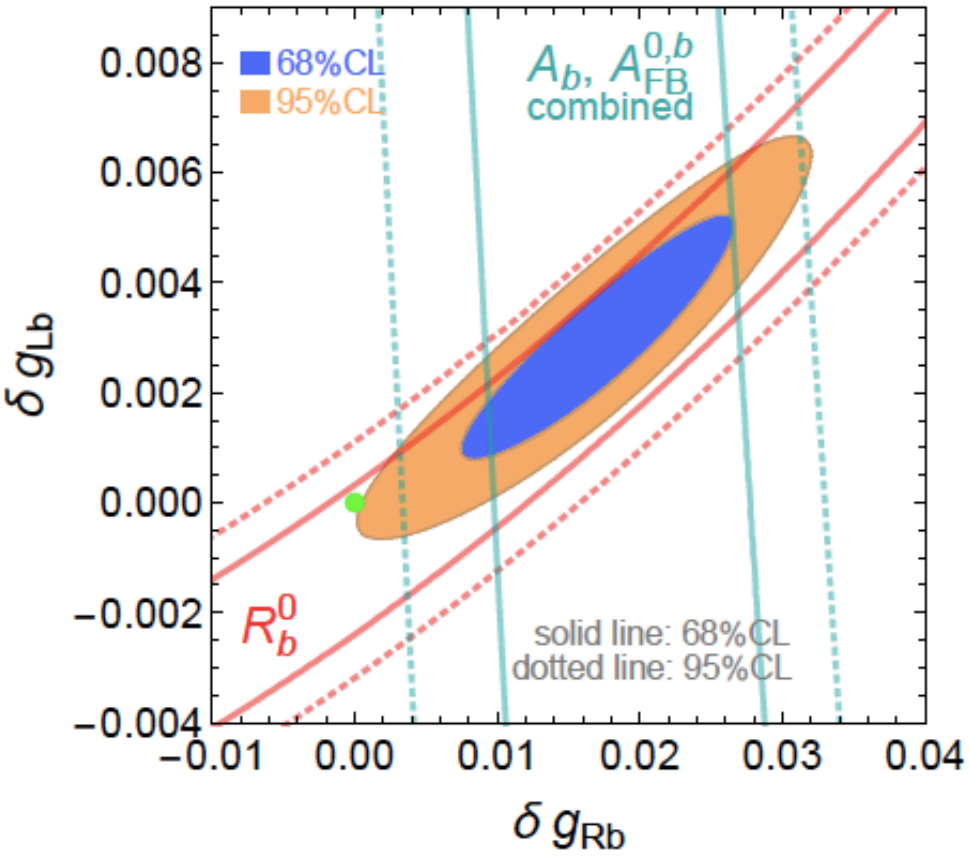

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Strong constraint for the left-handed Zbb coupling and large deviation of the right-handed Zbb coupling

Status of Zbb couplings

A. How to break the degeneracy of the right-handed Zbb coupling?

New experiments: e.g. CEPC

B. How to explain the LEP data?

⇨ New Physics?

e.g. Custodial symmetry O(3)

Many new physics models

K. Agashe, R. Contino, L. Rold, A. pomarol, 2006'

⇨ Statistical Fluctuation or Systematic error?

New experiments: e.g. CEPC

Zbb couplings@ future colliders

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The degeneracy of right-handed Zbb coupling could be broken by scanning the energy

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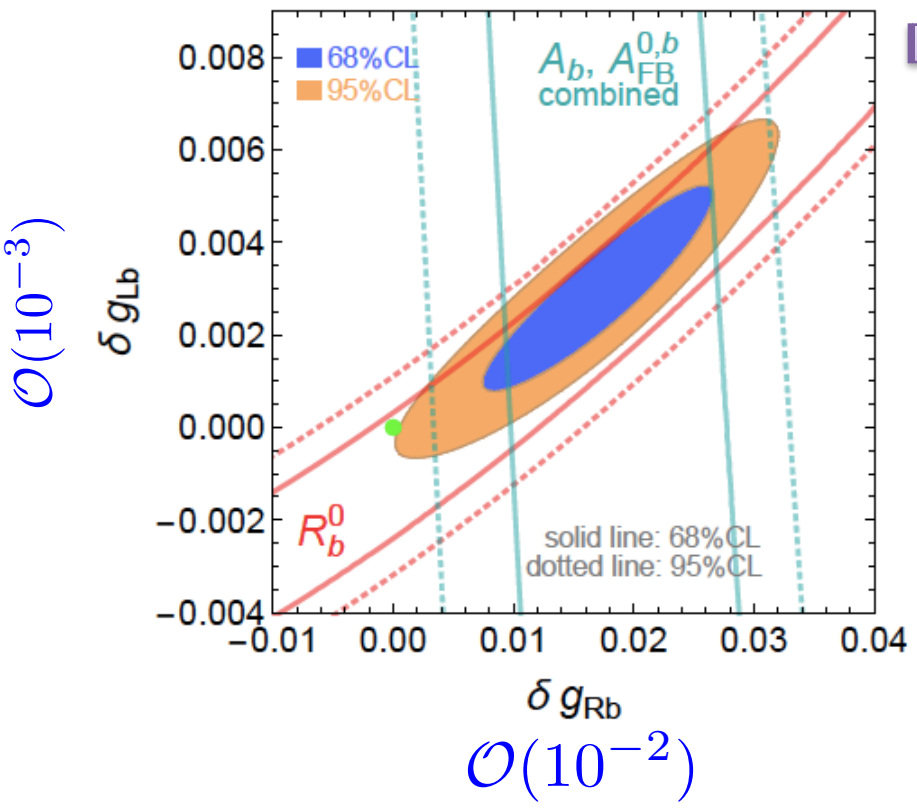

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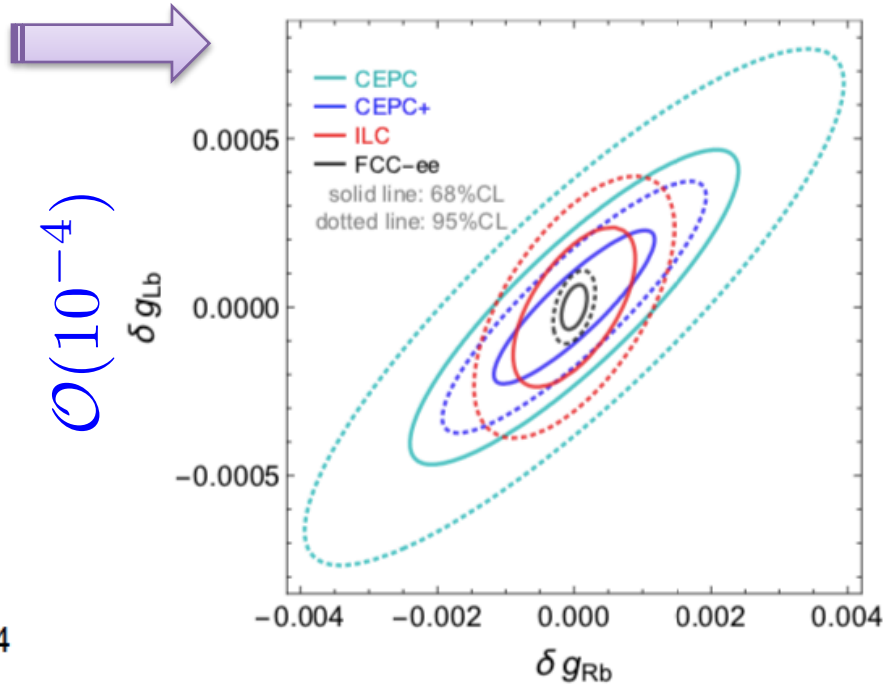

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Should we wait for the next generation lepton colliders?

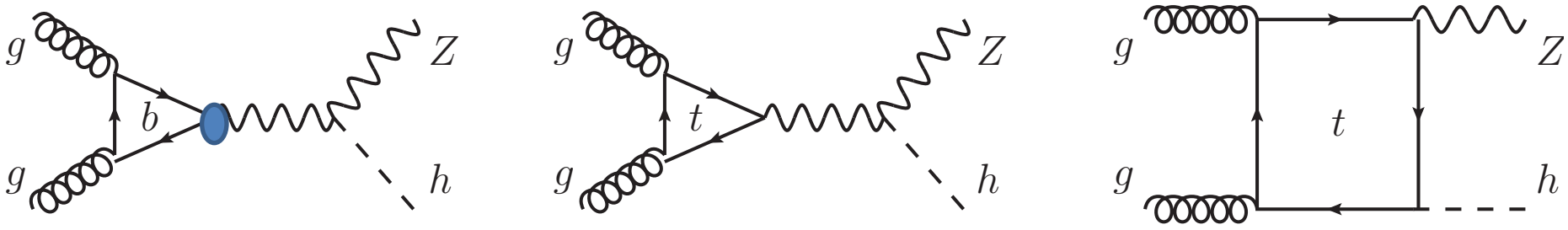
<u>The possibility of LHC?</u>

$Z \to b\bar{b}?$

Other possibilities?

Zbb couplings@LHC

charge conjugation invariance:



(1) Only axial vector components will contribute to the cross section;

(2) Only top and bottom quark will contribute to the scattering

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{g_W}{2c_W}\bar{b}\gamma_\mu(\kappa_v^b v_b^{\mathrm{SM}} - \kappa_a^b a_b^{\mathrm{SM}}\gamma_5)bZ_\mu + \frac{m_Z^2}{v}\kappa_Z h Z_\mu Z^\mu$$
$$+ \frac{g_W}{2c_W}\bar{t}\gamma_\mu(\kappa_v^t v_t^{\mathrm{SM}} - \kappa_a^t a_t^{\mathrm{SM}}\gamma_5)tZ_\mu - \frac{m_t}{v}\kappa_t\bar{t}th, \qquad (1)$$

Cross sections @LHC

$$R_{Zh} = \frac{\sigma(gg \to Zh)}{\sigma(gg \to Zh)_{\mathrm{SM}}}$$

High P_T^Z data

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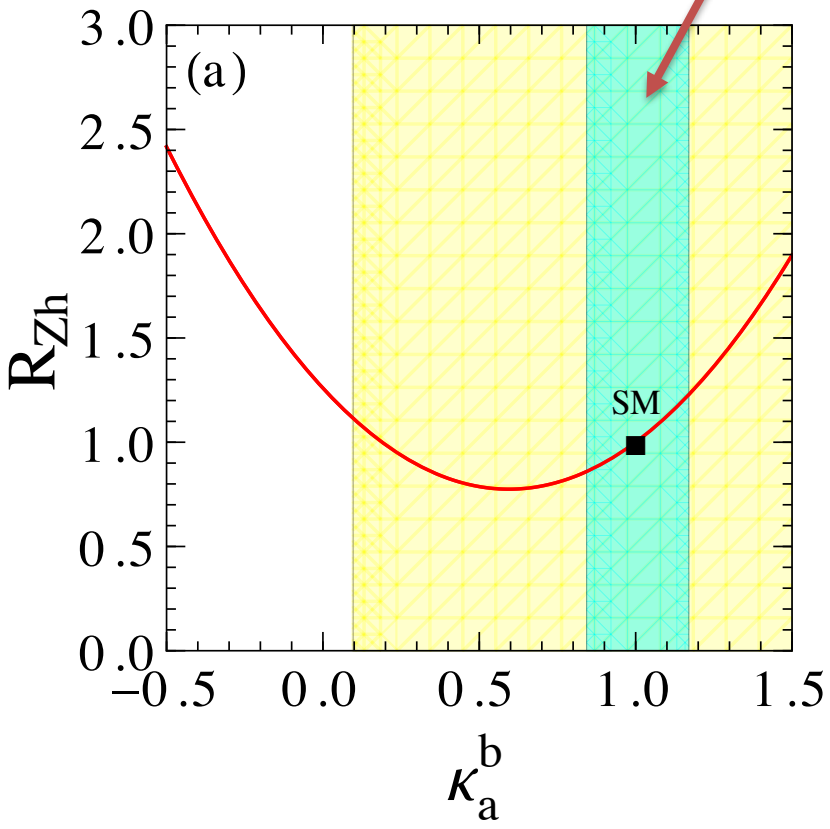
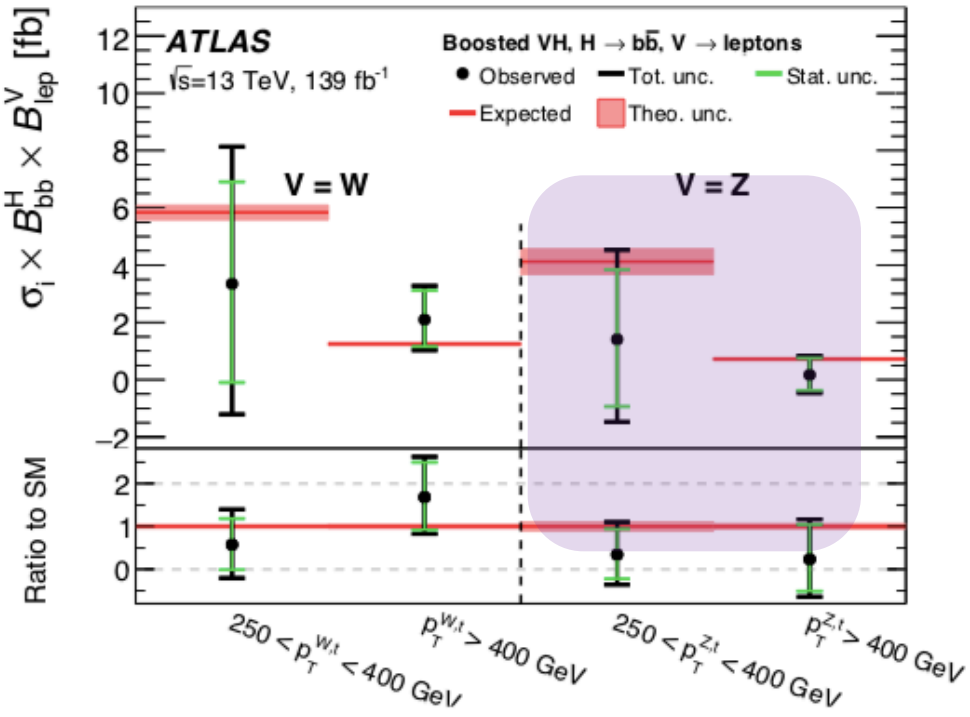




$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{g_W}{2c_W}\bar{b}\gamma_\mu \kappa_a^b a_b^{\mathrm{SM}} \gamma_5 b Z_\mu$$

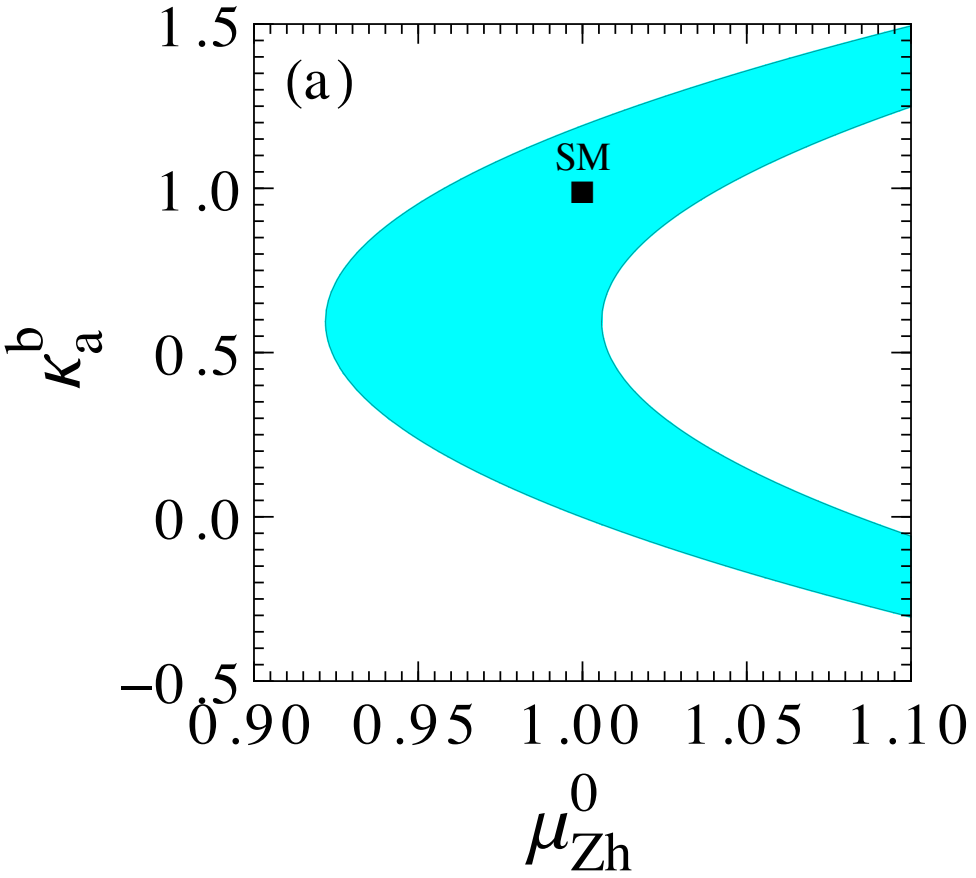
High P_T^Z data gives the most important impact for the limits

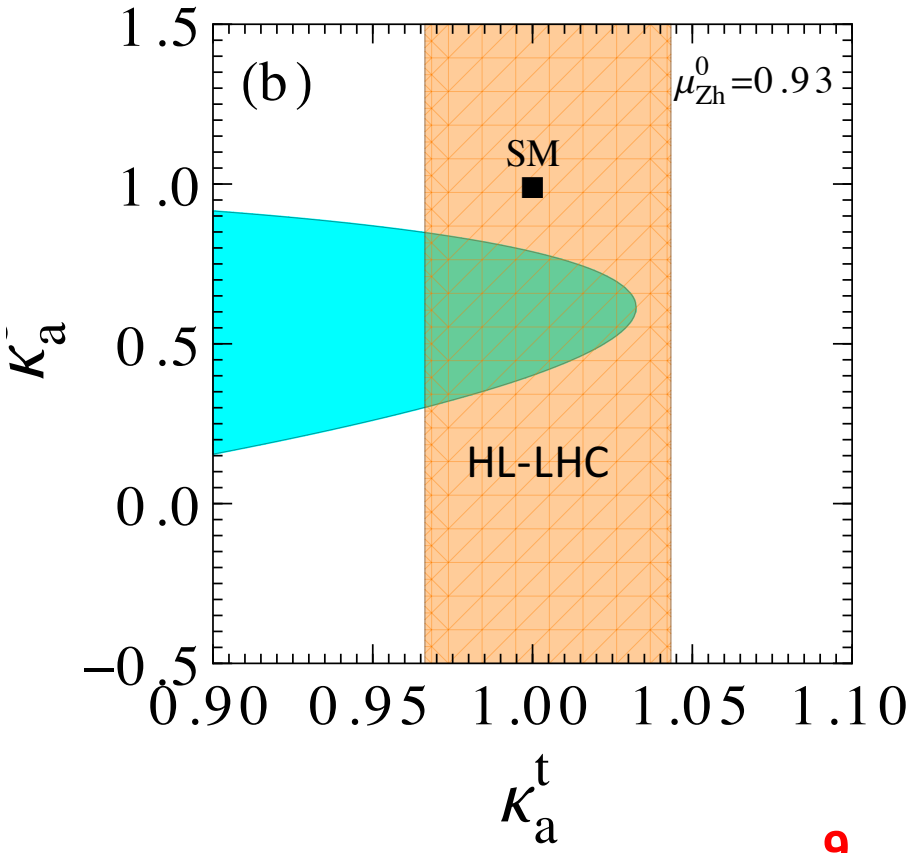
Sensitivity@HL-LHC

The expected limits is sensitive to the central value of the signal strength

The conclusion is not sensitive to the other top quark couplings

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{g_W}{2c_W}\bar{b}\gamma_\mu \kappa_a^b a_b^{\mathrm{SM}} \gamma_5 b Z_\mu - \frac{g_W}{2c_W}\bar{t}\gamma_\mu \kappa_a^t a_t^{\mathrm{SM}} \gamma_5 t Z_\mu$$





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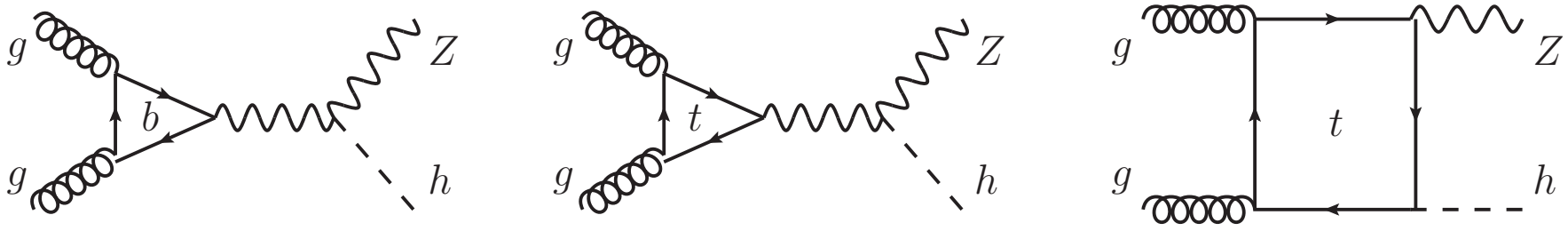
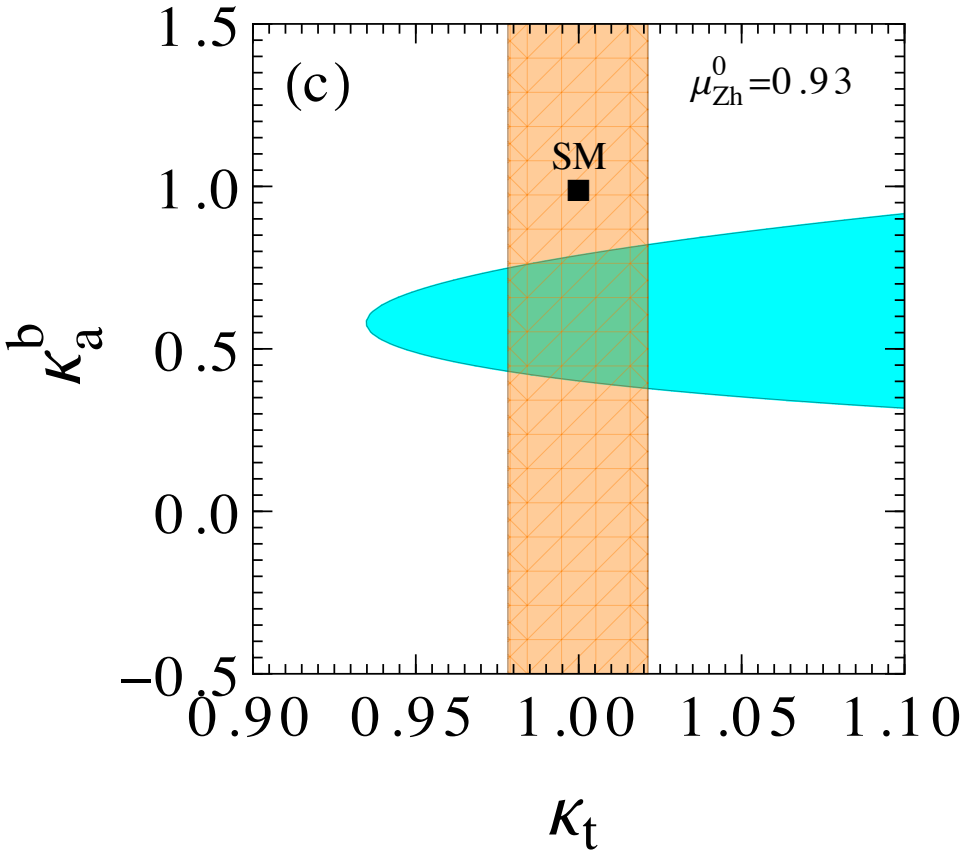
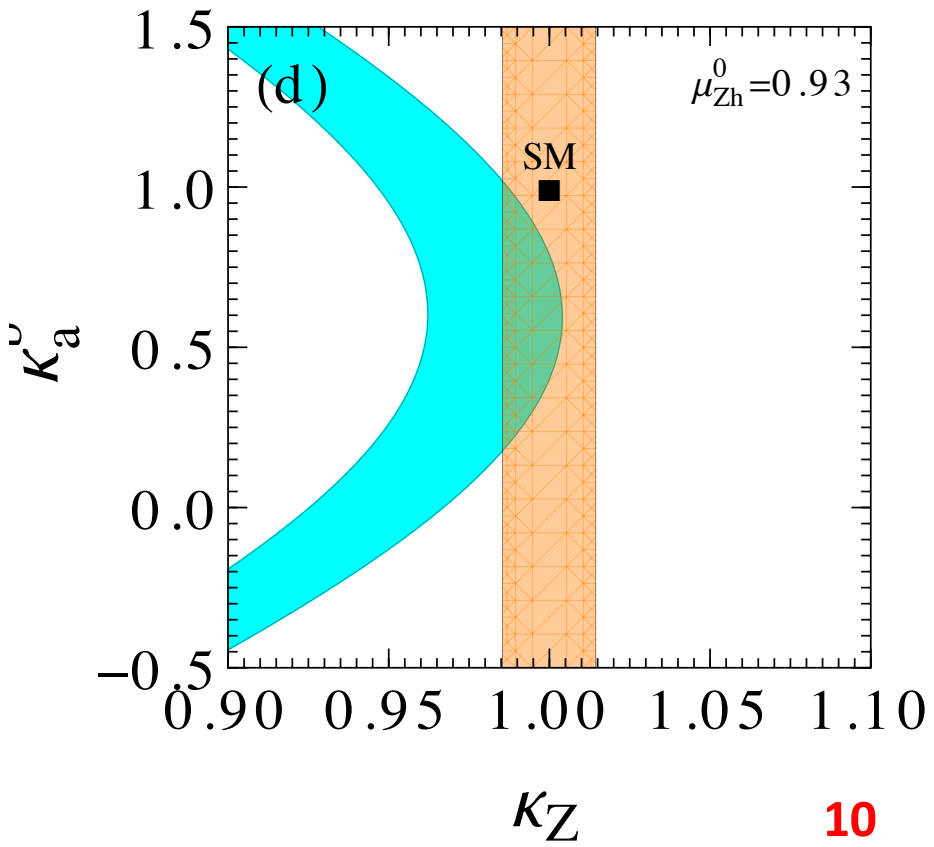
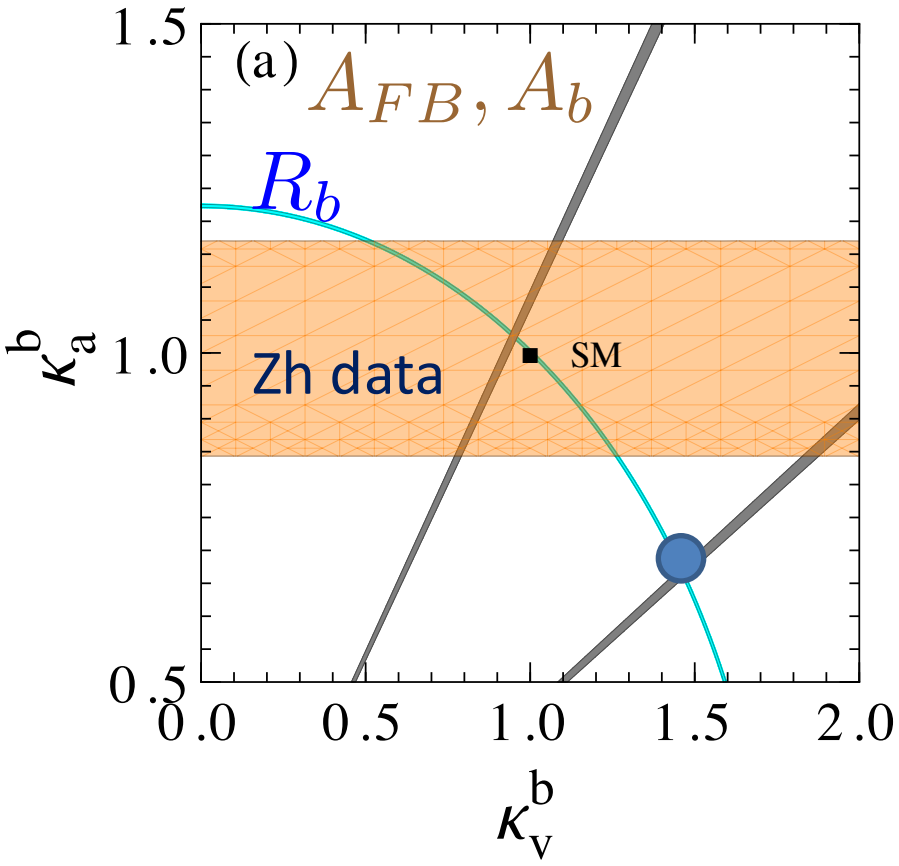




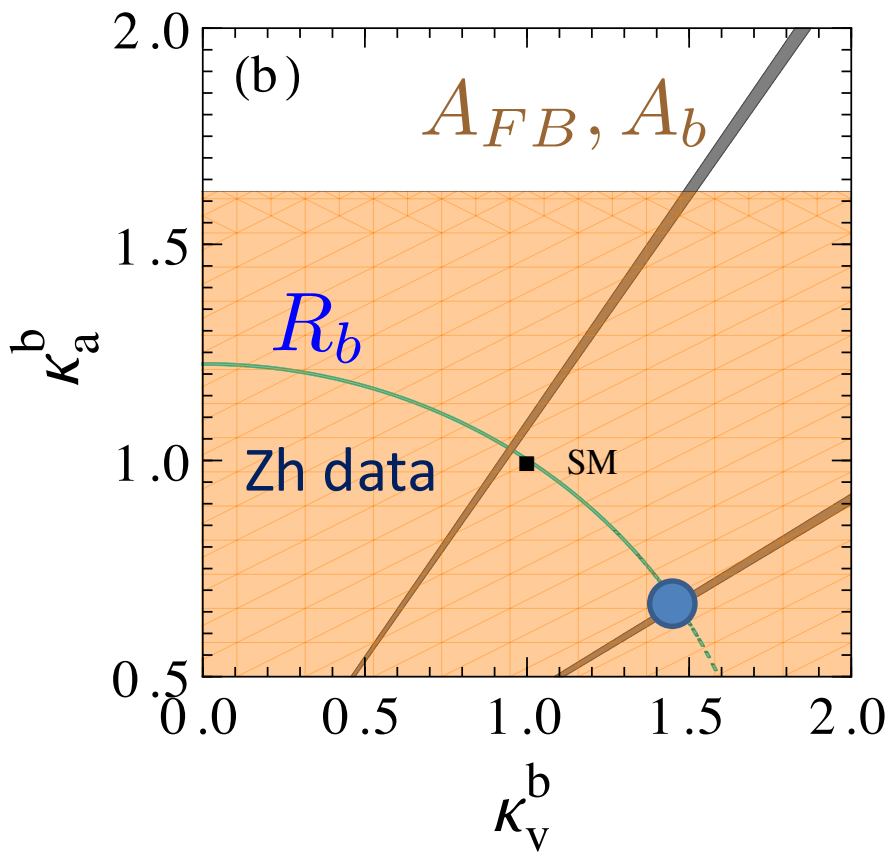


Break the Zbb coupling degeneracy

Current Zh data could break the degeneracy



Including all Zh data



Removing the two high P_T^Z data

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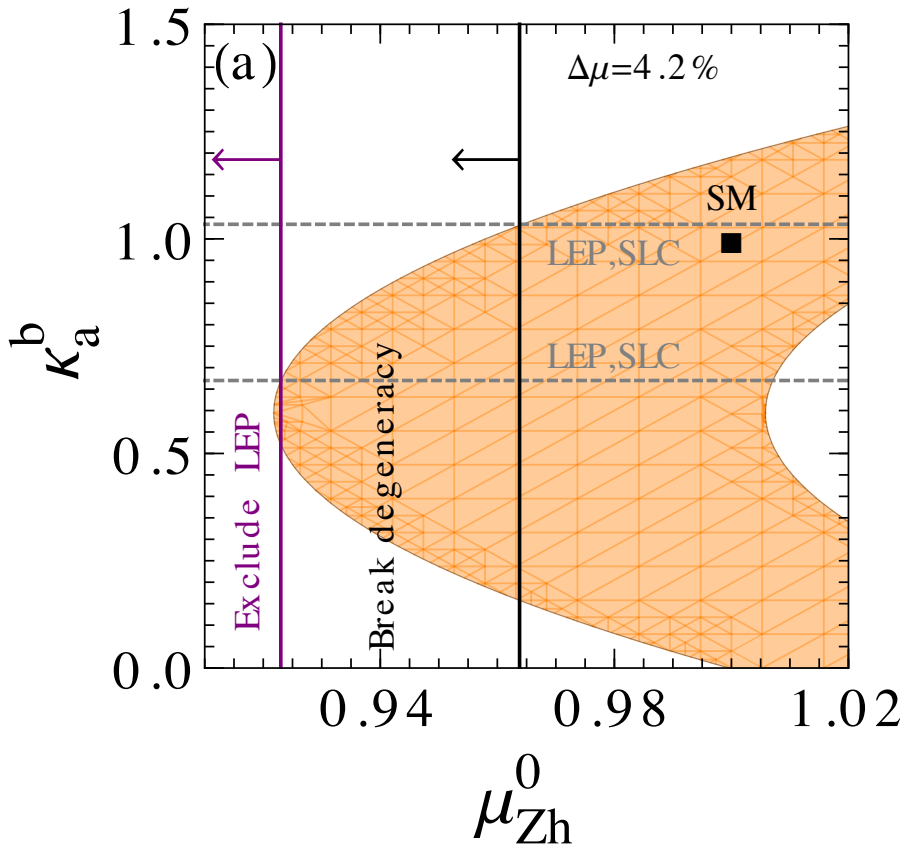

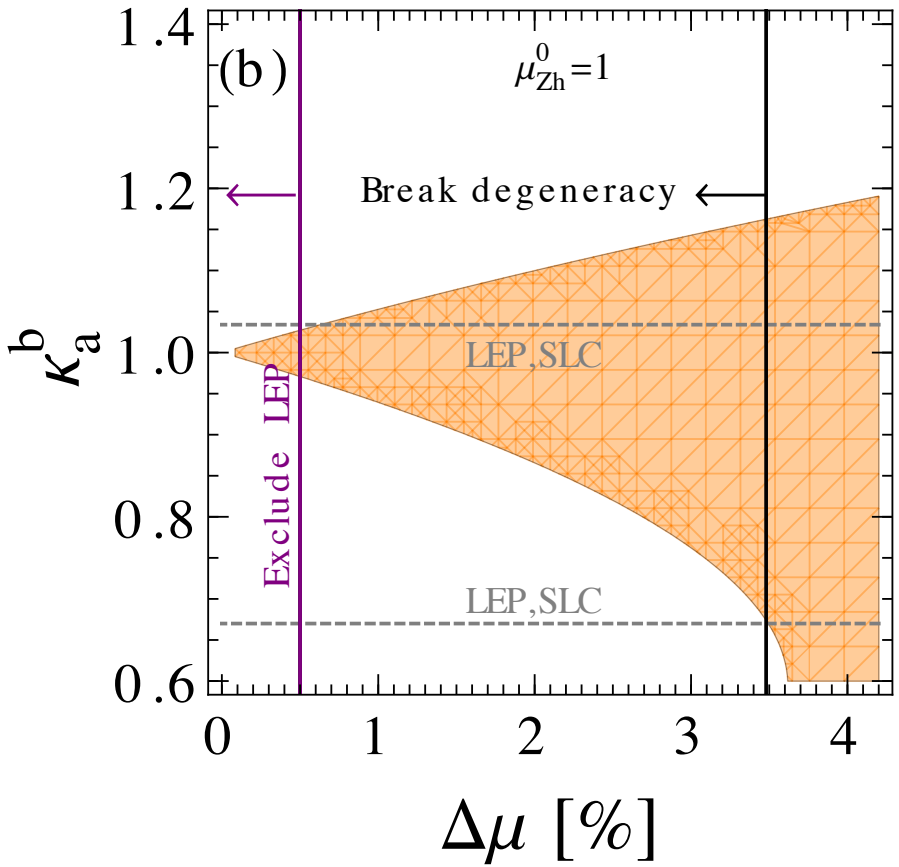

Summary

A. We proposed a new method to probe the Zbb coupling through Zh production at the LHC and the results are not sensitive to the top quark couplings;

B. The Zh data at the 13 TeV LHC can resolve the apparent degeneracy of the Zbb coupling;

C. The HL-LHC could verify or exclude the Zbb couplings.