

# Subleading operators and gamma5-scheme dependence in SMEFT for Higgs boson pair production

Loops & Legs in Quantum Field Theory

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prime process to explore the Higgs potential

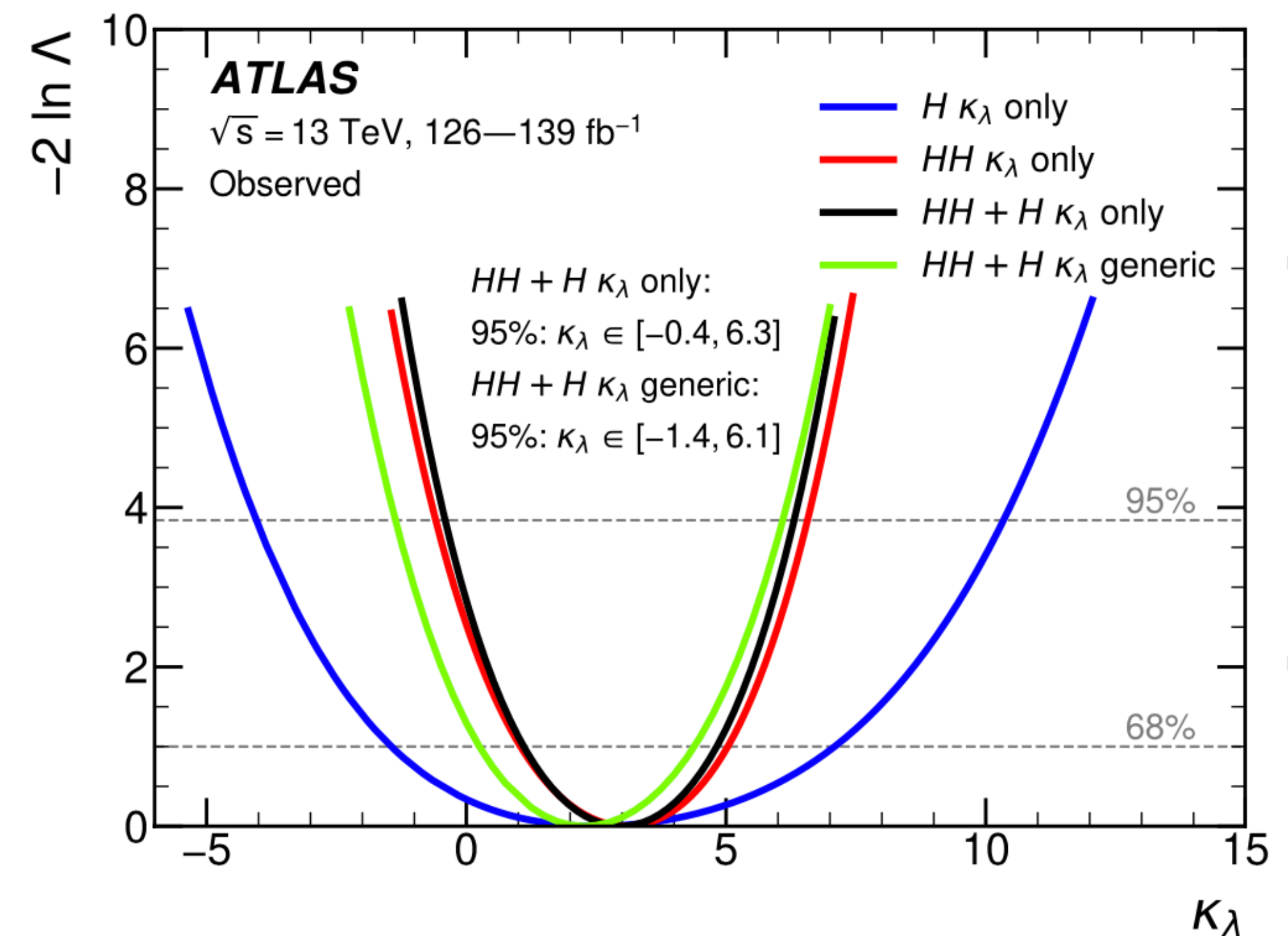
$$V(h) \sim \frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(2v^2 \lambda)}_{m_h^2} h^2 + v\lambda h^3 + \frac{\lambda}{8} h^4$$

$$\kappa_\lambda = \lambda / \lambda_{\text{SM}}$$

**Standard Model:**  $\lambda = \frac{m_h^2}{2v^2} \approx 0.125$

experimentally established deviations from

$\kappa_\lambda = 1$  are a clear sign of New Physics!



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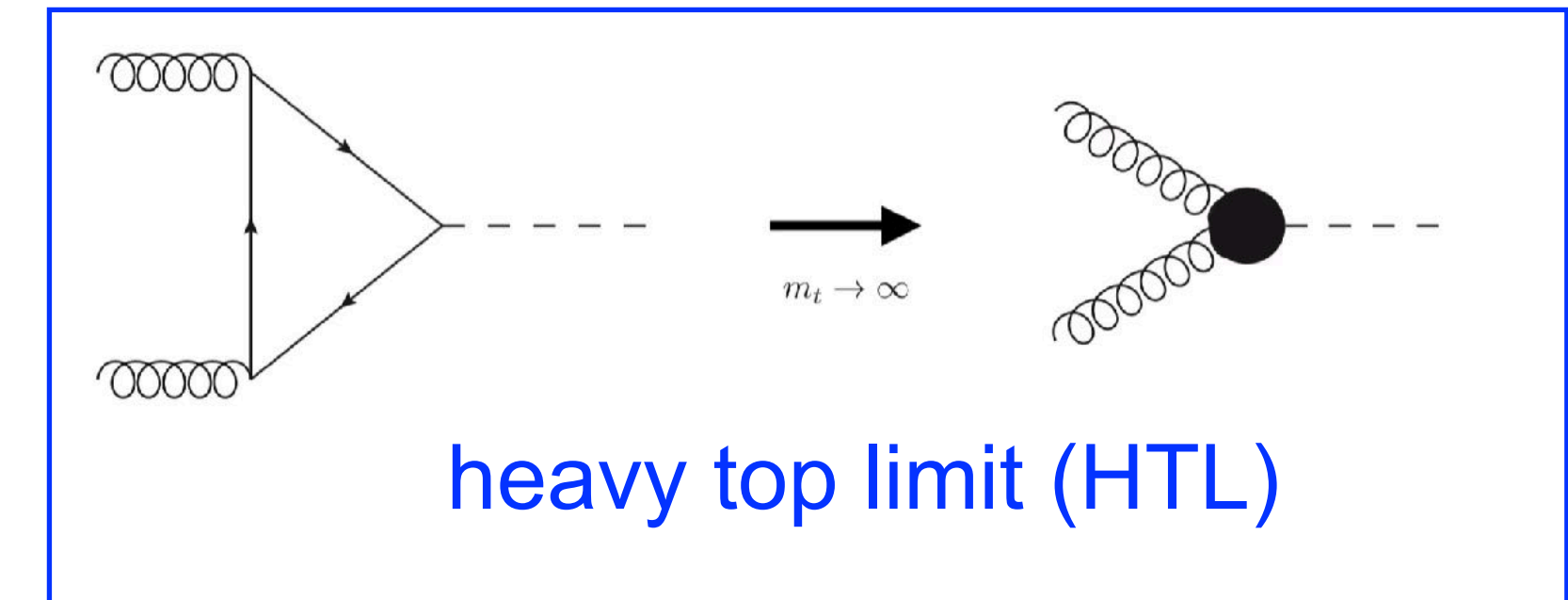
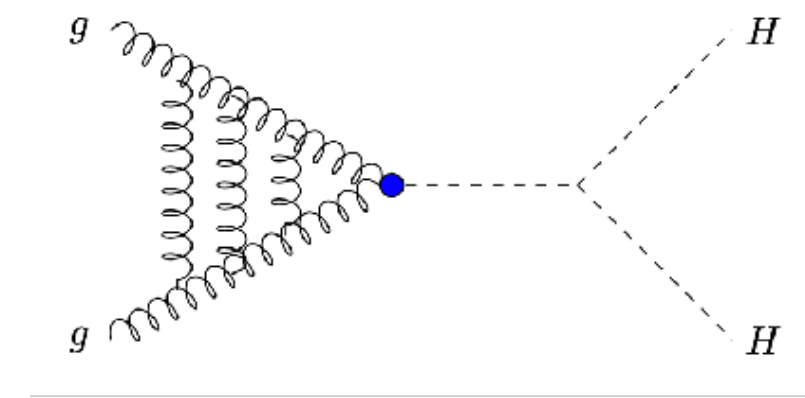
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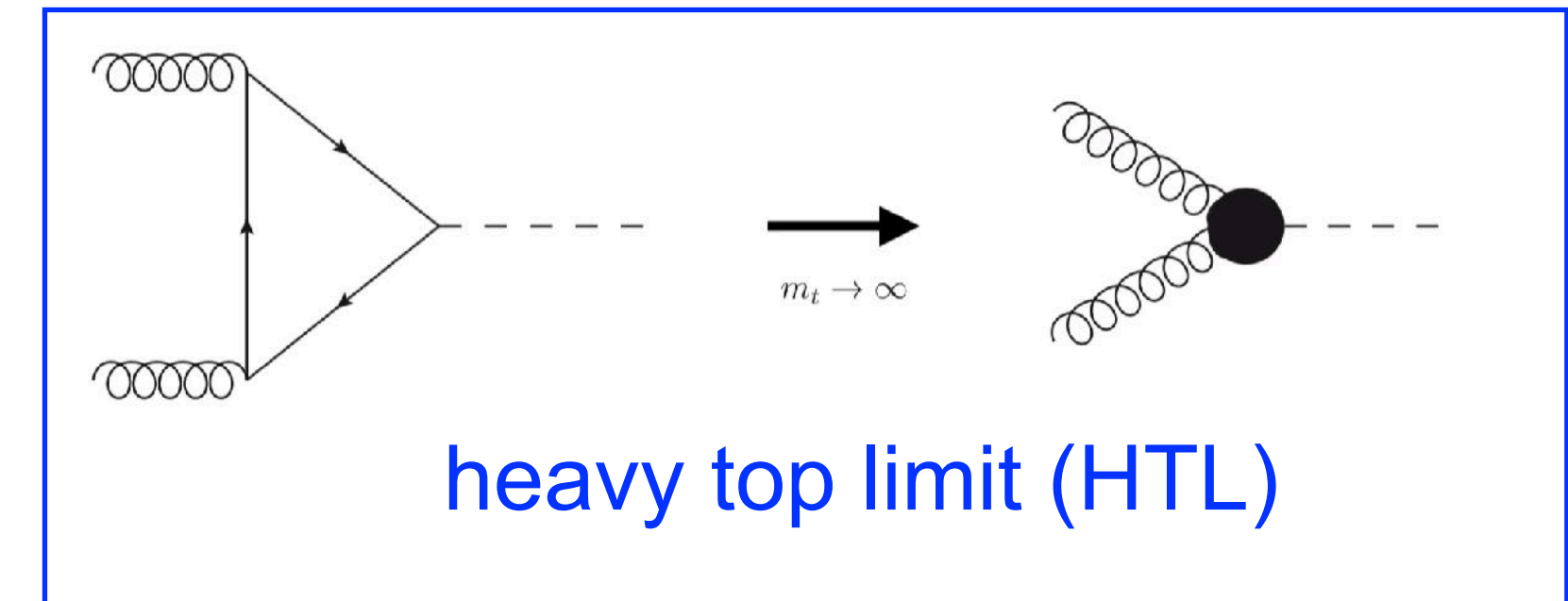
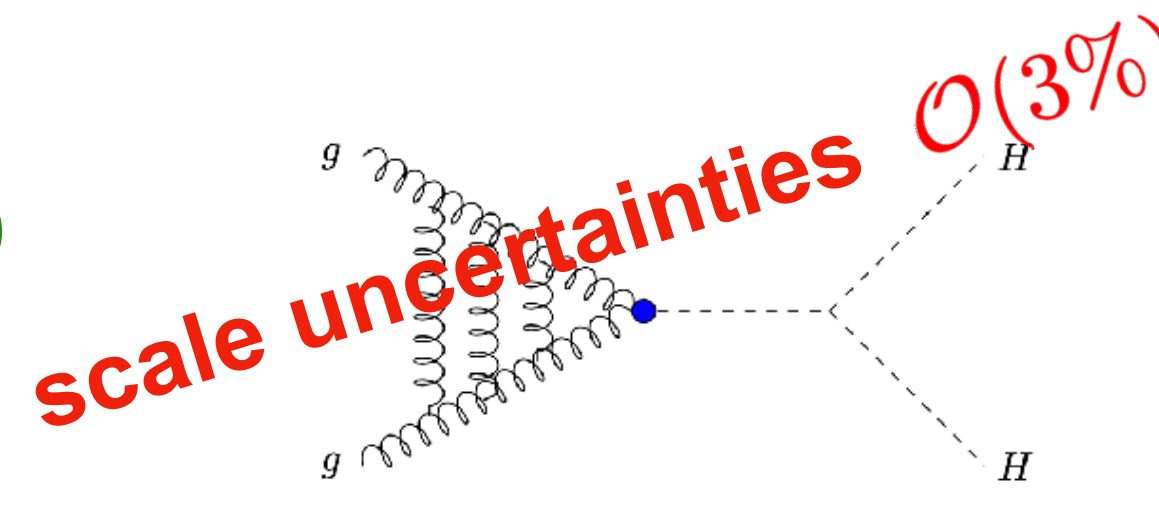
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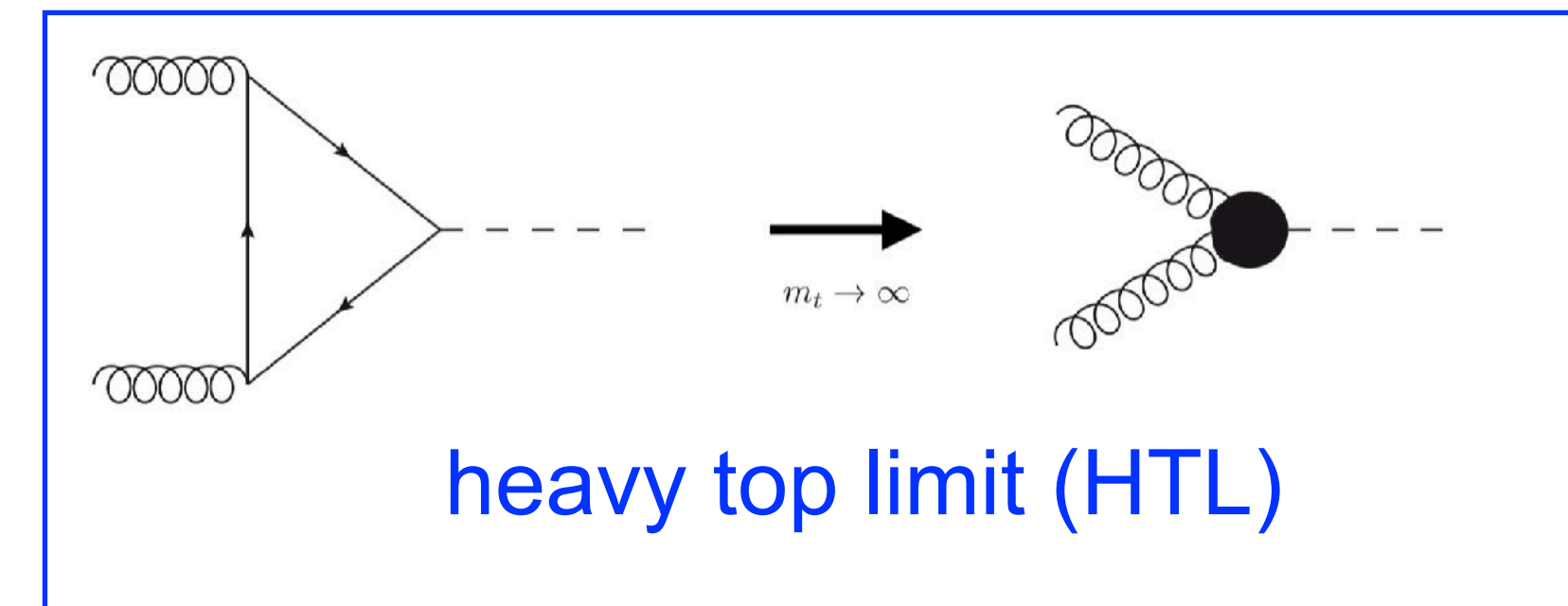
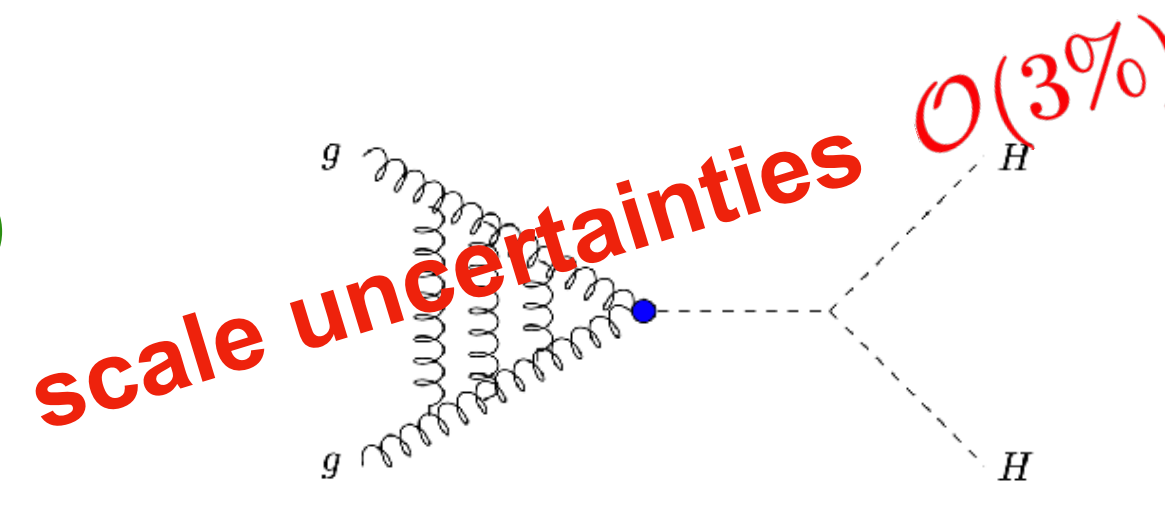
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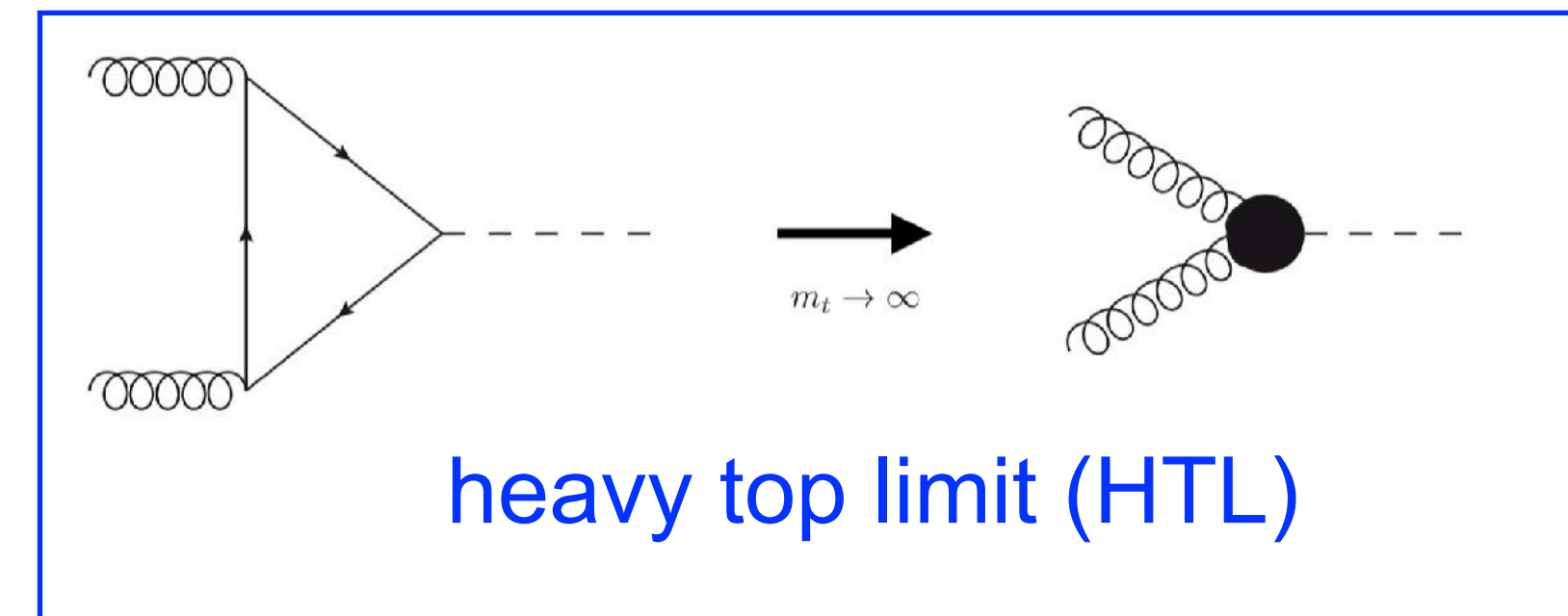
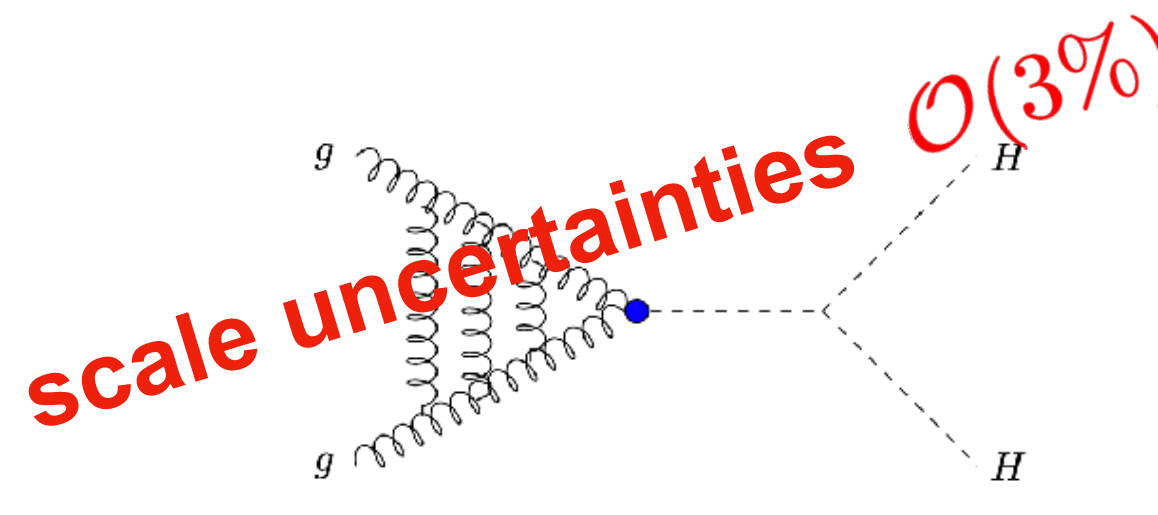
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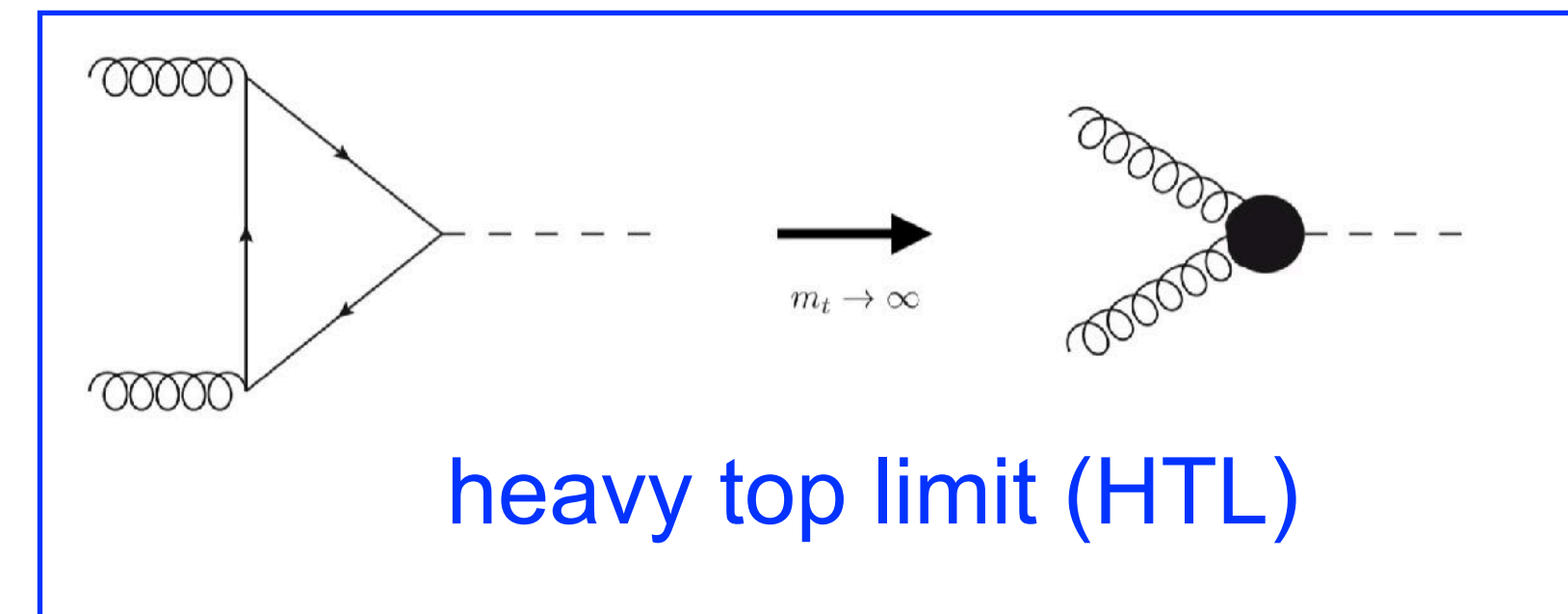
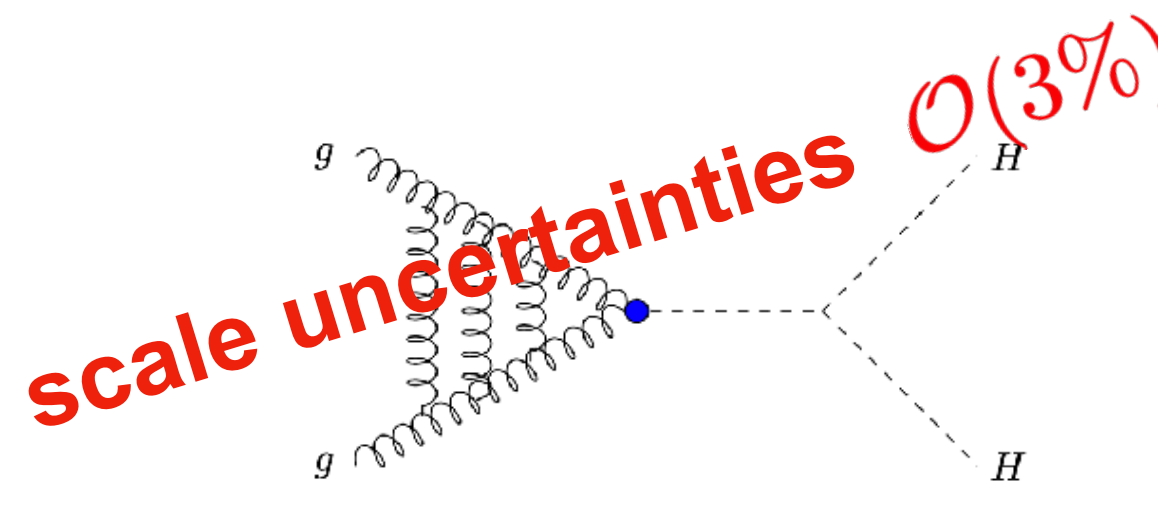
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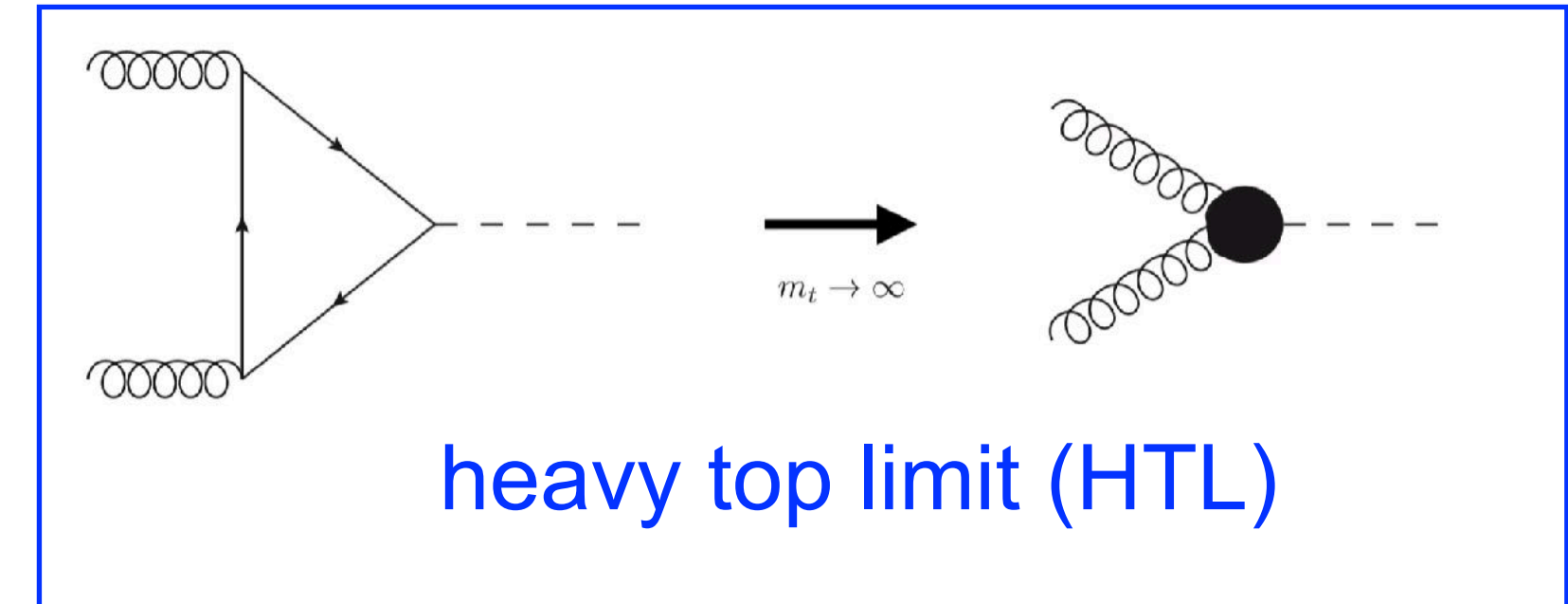
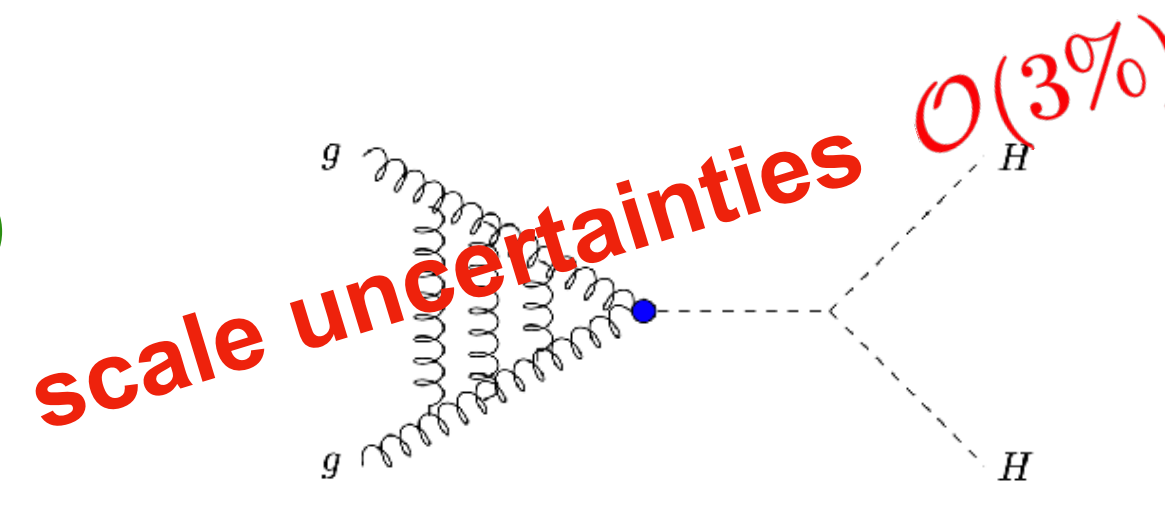
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see also NLO corrections to HH decay to  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$

Li, Si, Wang, Zhang, Zhao  
2402.00401

QCD corrections to the decay decrease LO result by 19%

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# ggHH: higher order EW corrections in the SM

**Full NLO EW corrections:** **- 4%** (total cross section, larger for distributions)

Bi, Huang, Huang, Ma '23

Davies, Schönwald, Steinhauser, Zhang '23 (large  $m_t$ -expansion)

see also

Davies, Mishima, Schönwald, Steinhauser, Zhang '22

Mühlleitner, Schlenk, Spira '22

Borowka, Duhr, Maltoni, Pagani, Shivaji, Zhao '19

Bizon, Haisch, Rottoli [Gillis, Moser, Windischhofer] '18, '24

**talks by**

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**Monday afternoon**



# Anomalous couplings in Higgs boson pair production

if trilinear coupling is different from the SM, other couplings are likely to be non-SM as well

→ need full Effective Field Theory parametrisation

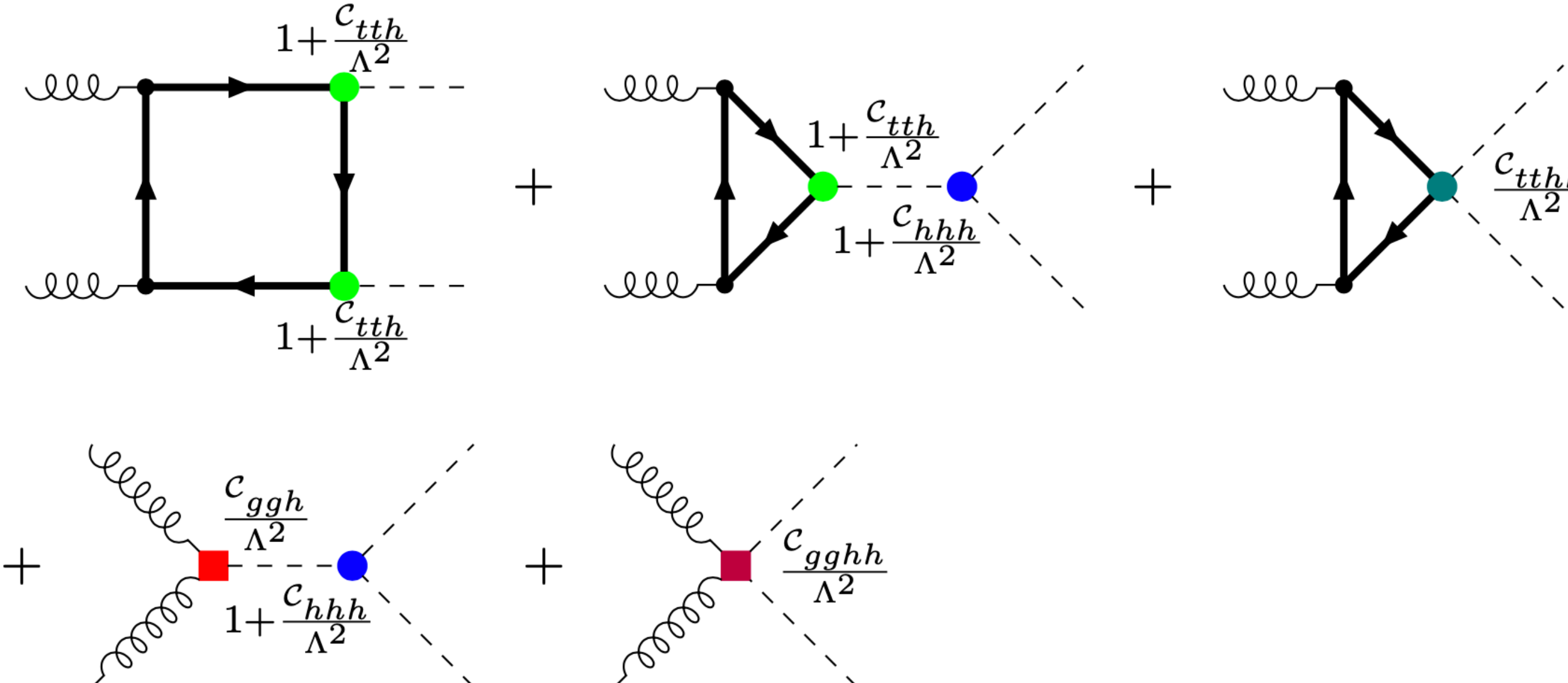
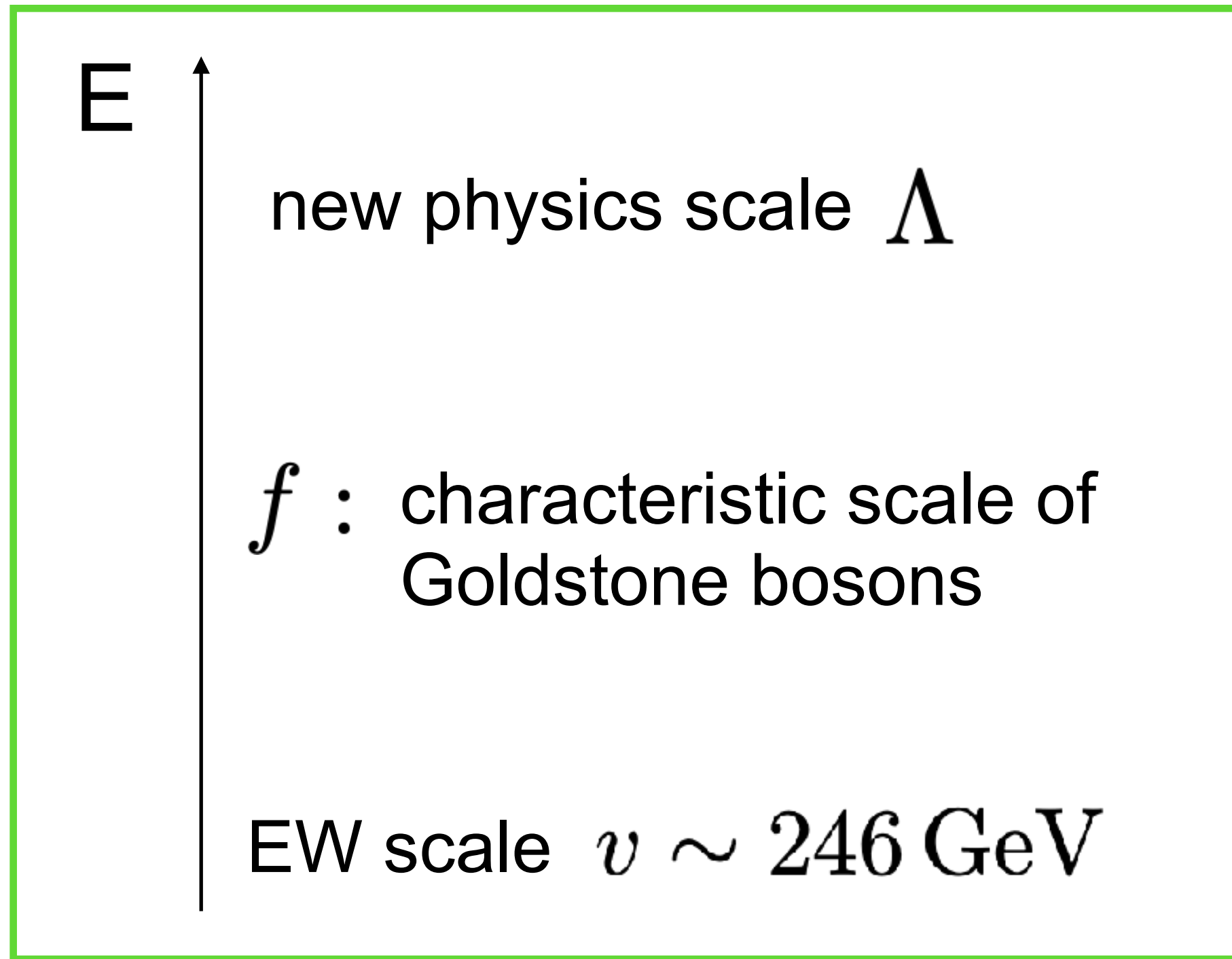
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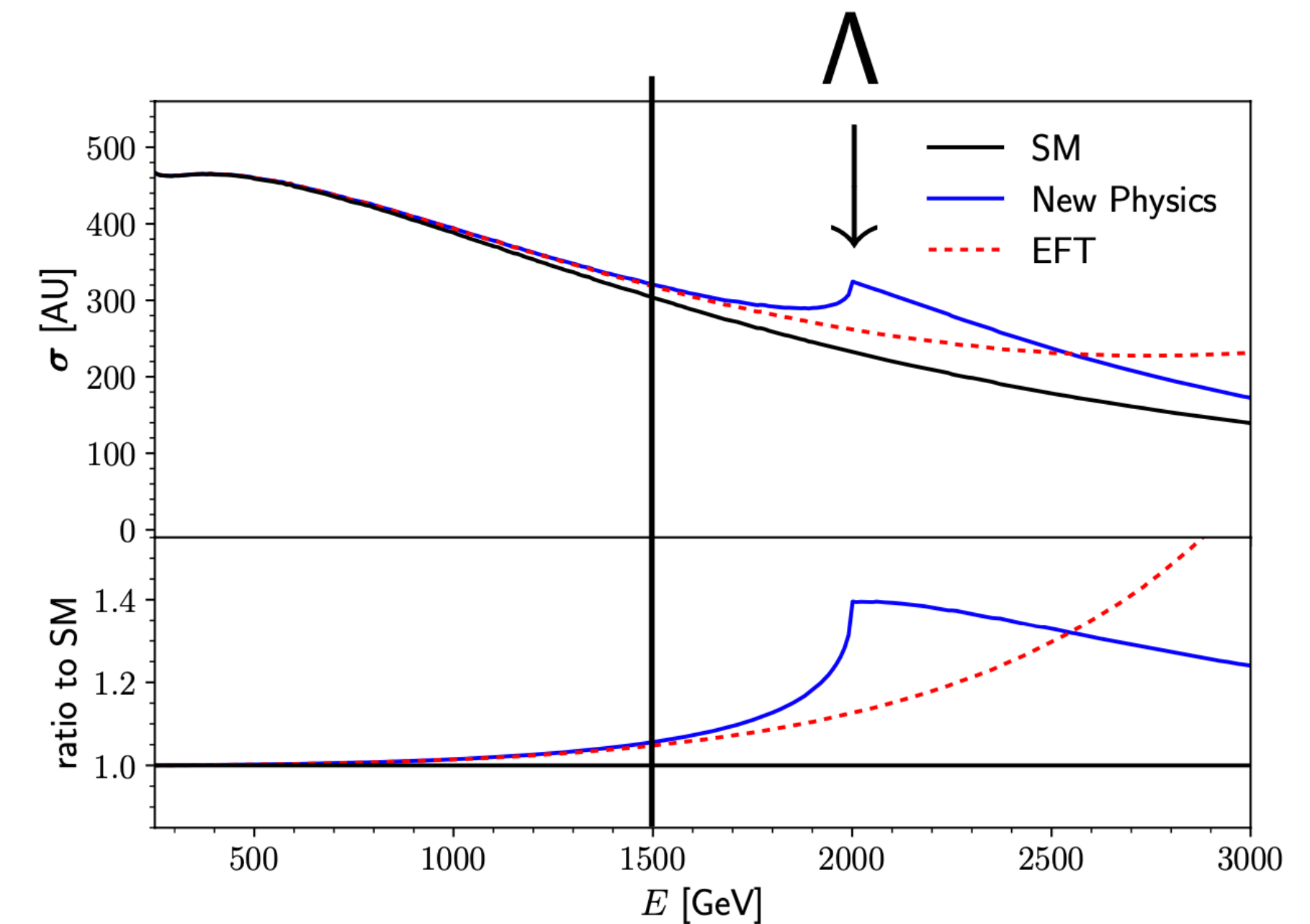
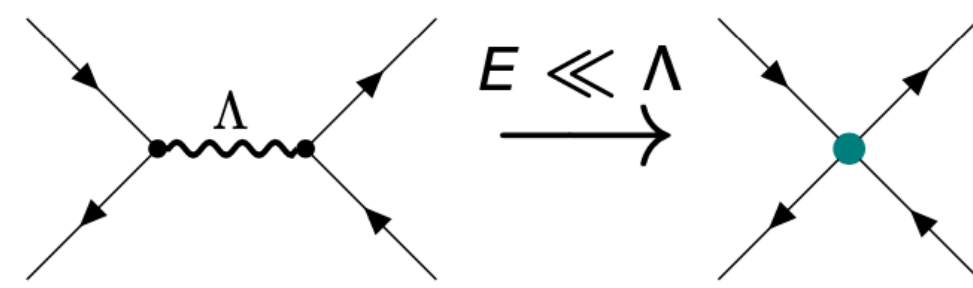
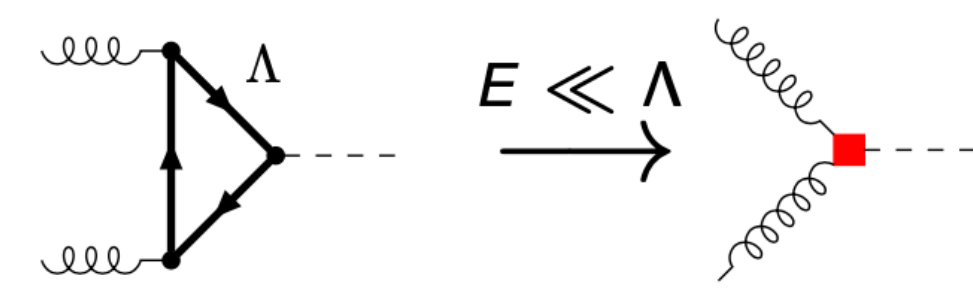


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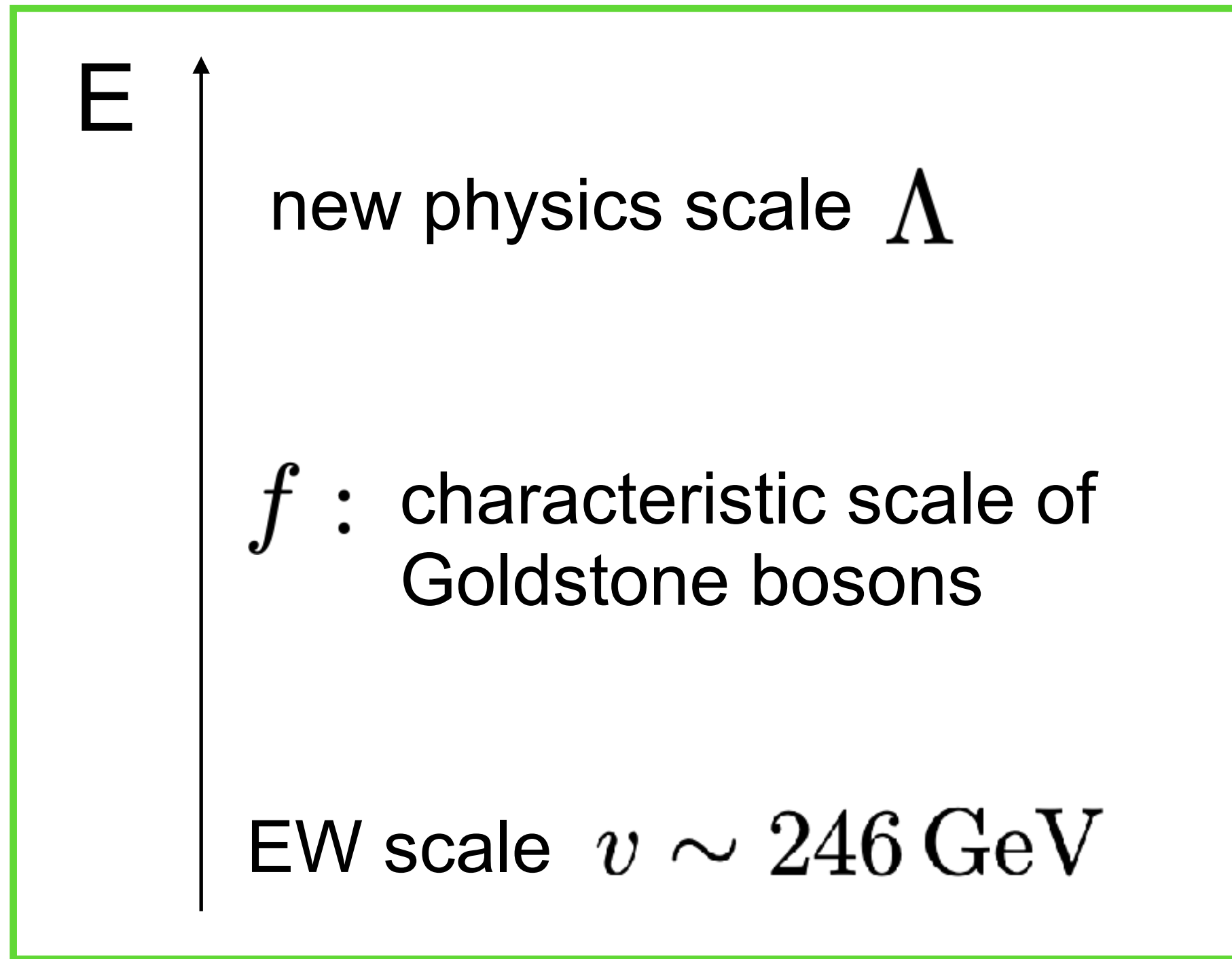


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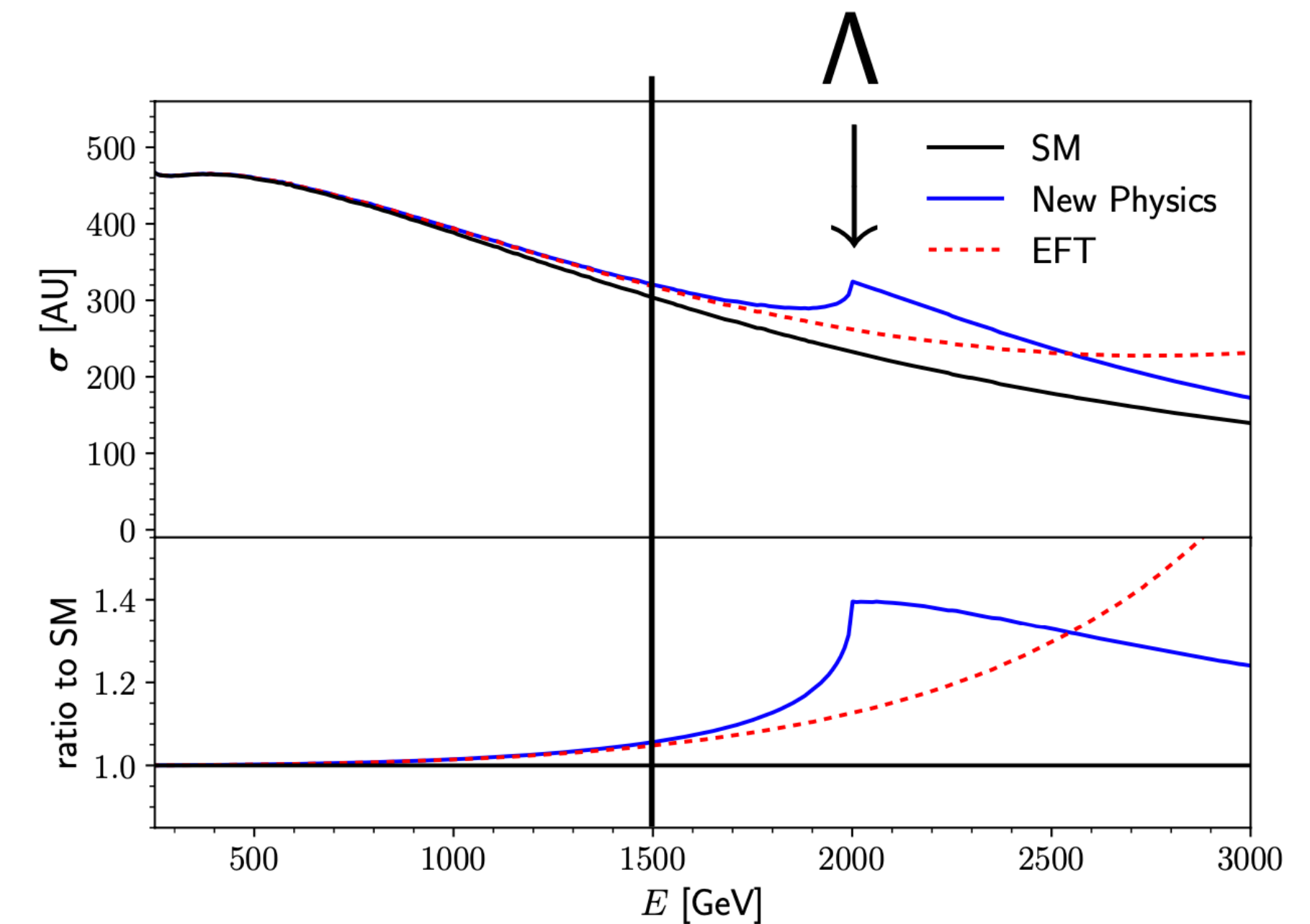
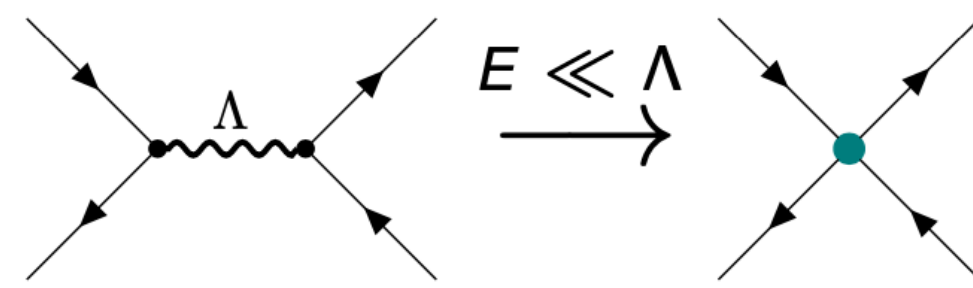
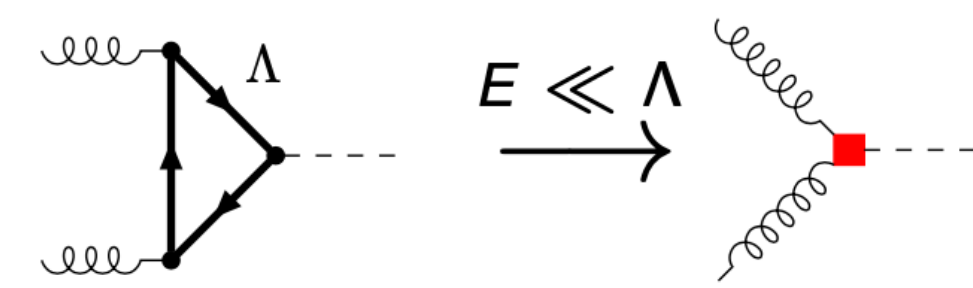


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# Effective Field Theory expansion schemes

SMEFT (Standard Model Effective Field Theory):

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{C_i^{(6)}}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{\text{dim6}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^3}\right)$$

- assumes that Higgs field transforms linearly as a doublet under  $SU(2)_L$
- canonical (mass) dimension counting
- weakly coupled UV completion

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sub-leading here if UV completion is a weakly coupled, renormalisable gauge theory

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**In renormalisable, weakly coupled UV completions:**

**Operators containing field strength tensors are loop-generated**  $\Rightarrow$  get a loop suppression factor

Arzt, Einhorn Wudka '94; Buchalla, GH, Müller-Salditt, Pandler 2204.11808



# Loop-generated operators

Isidori, Wilsch, Wyler, Review Mod. Phys. 2303.16922

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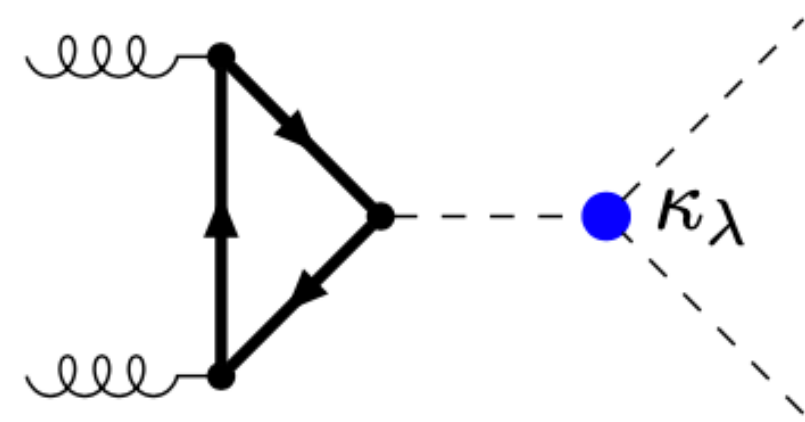
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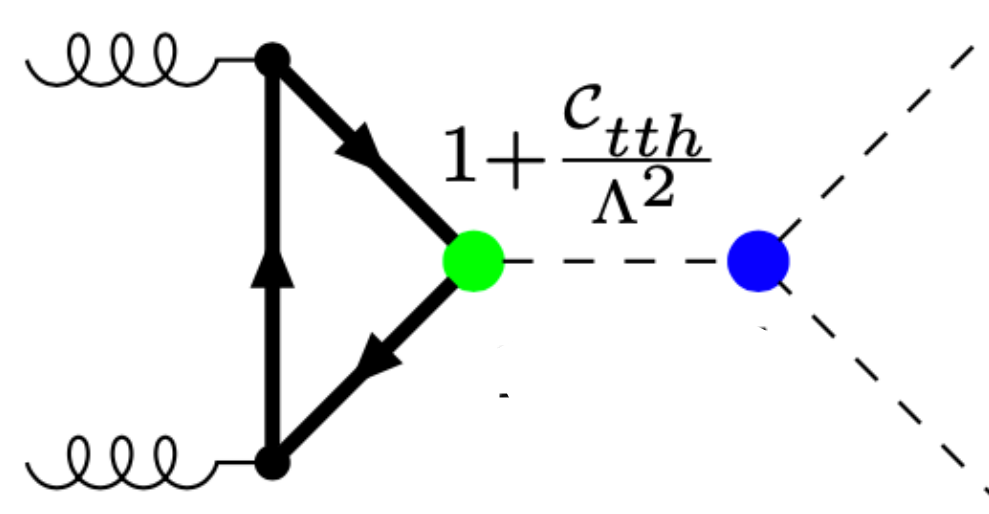
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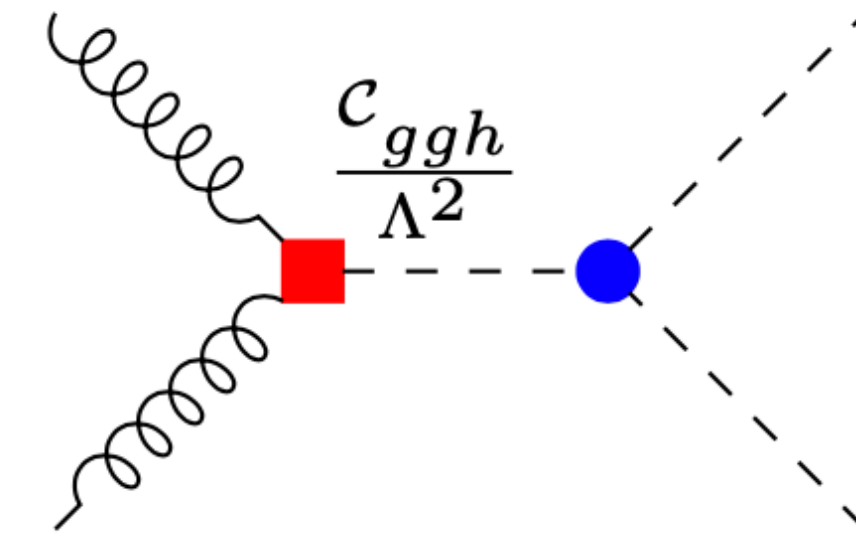
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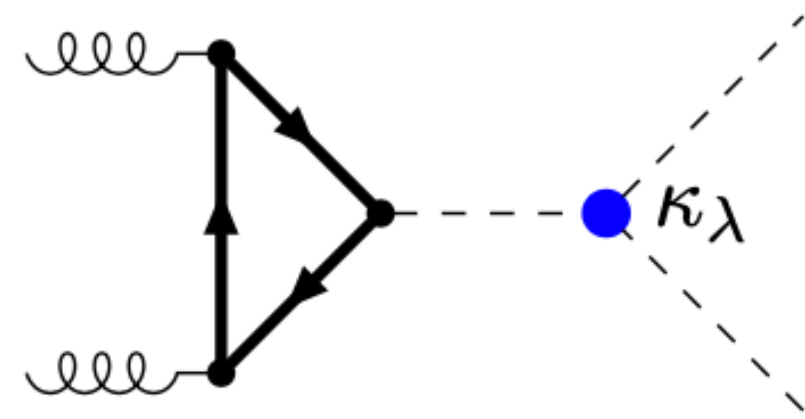
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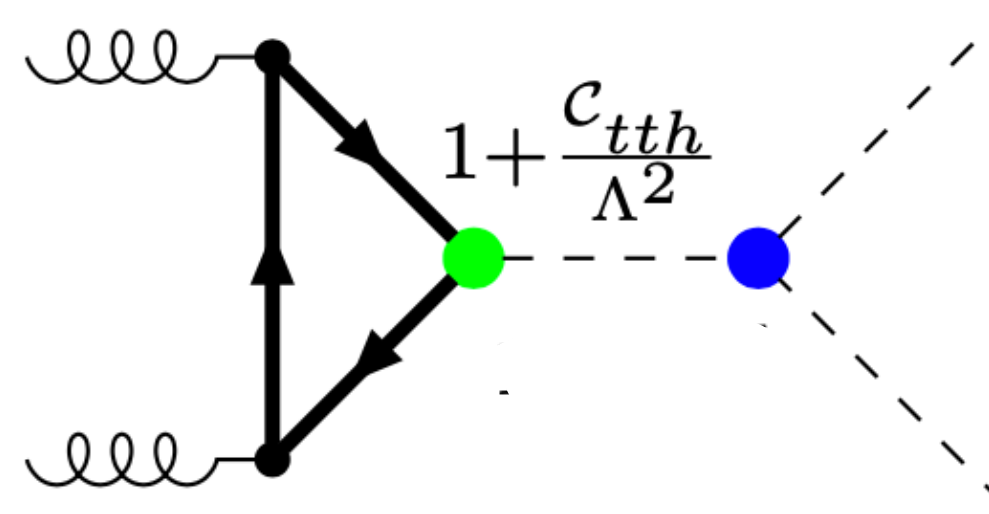
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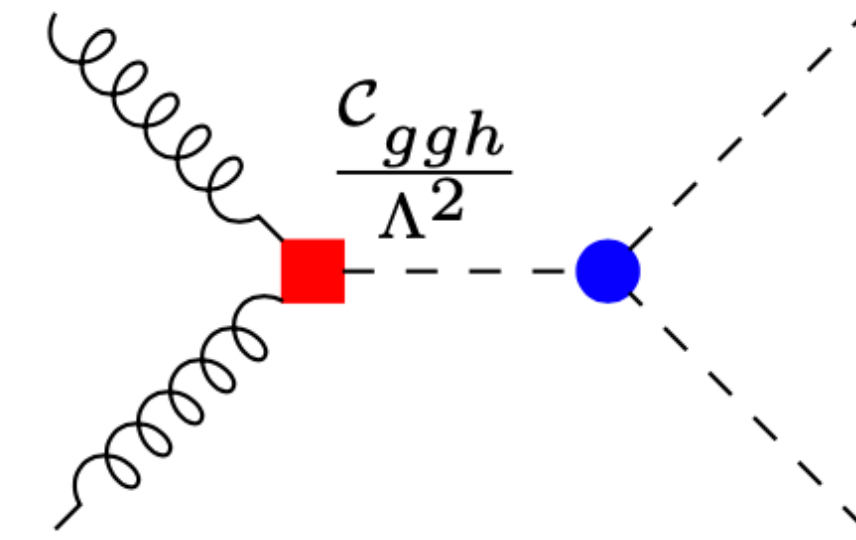
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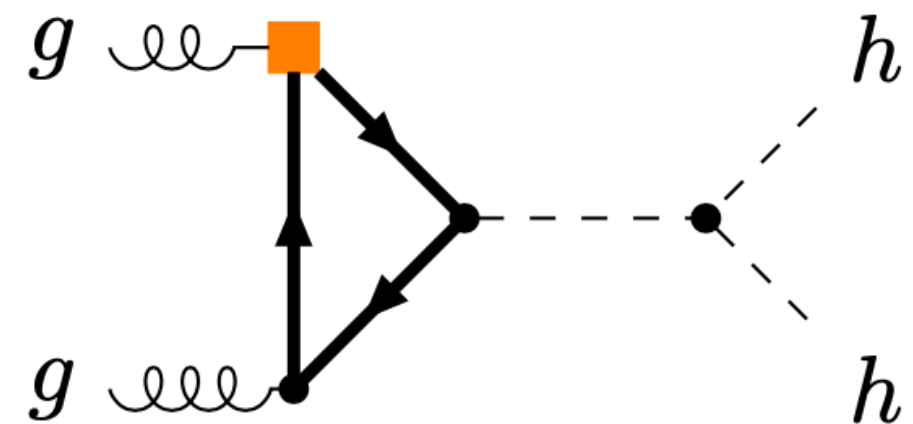
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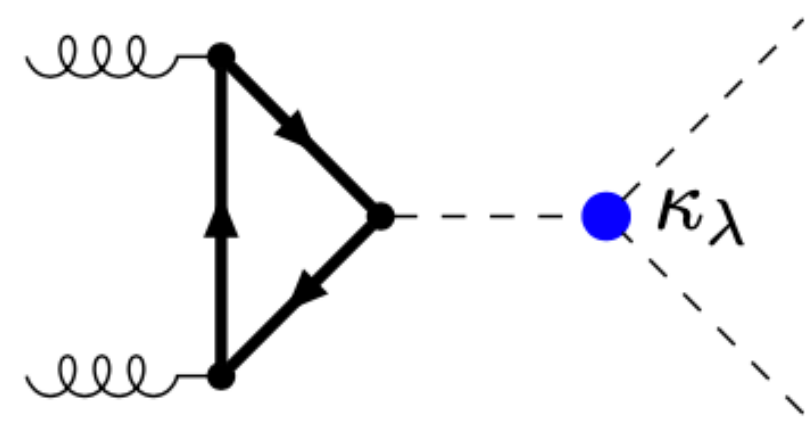


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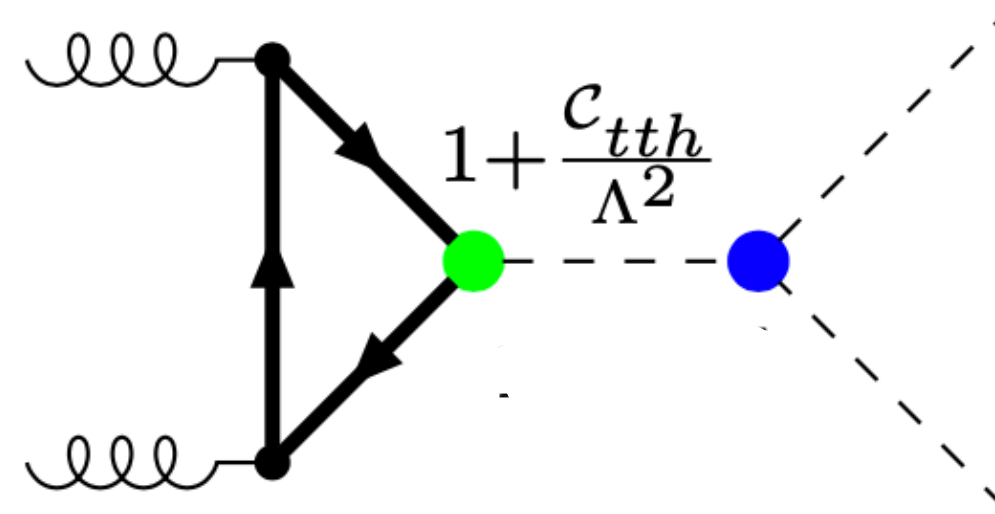
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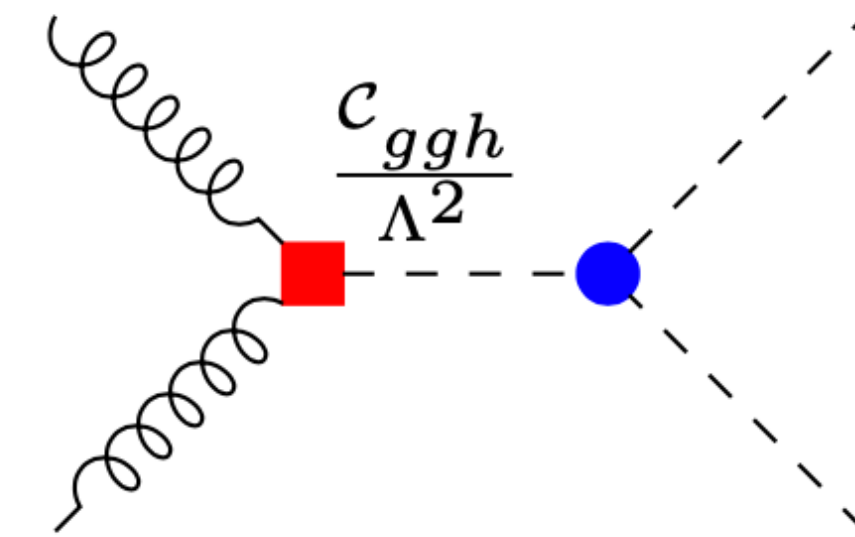
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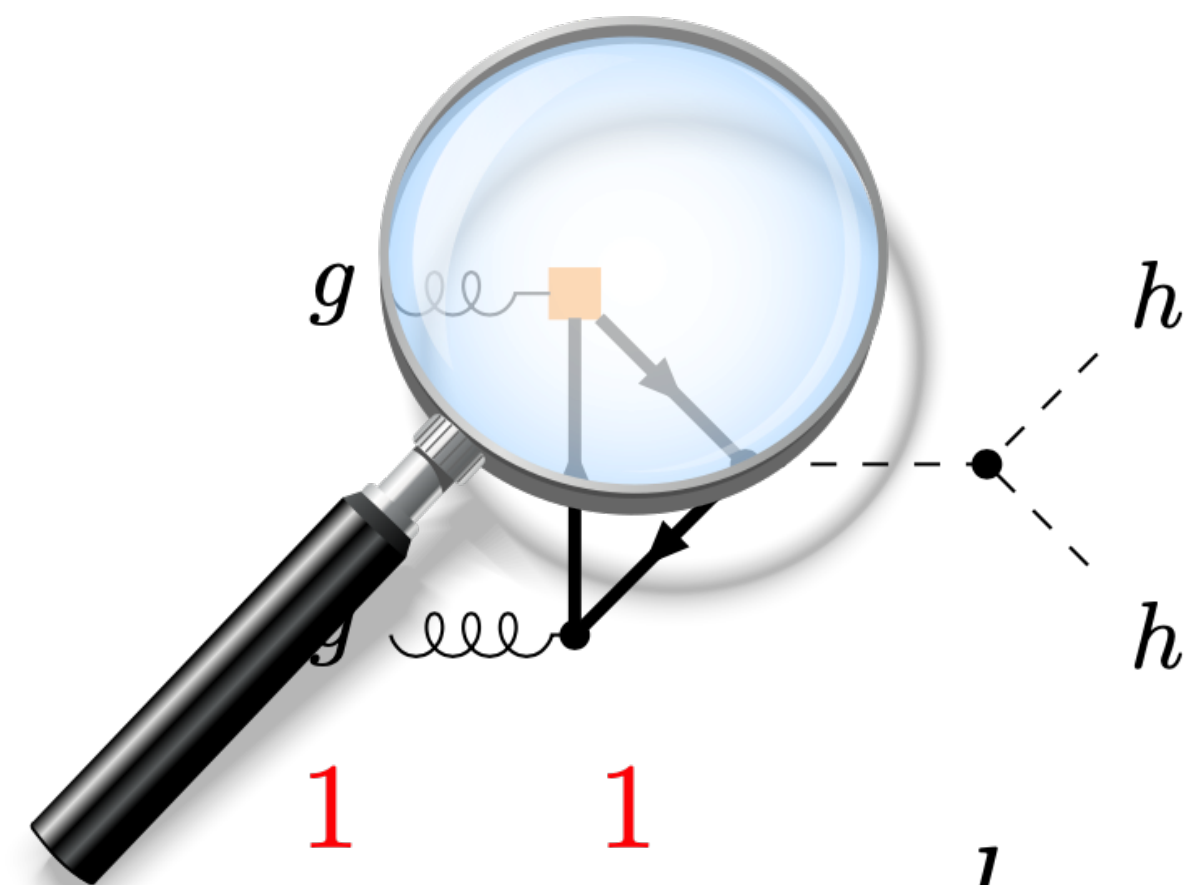
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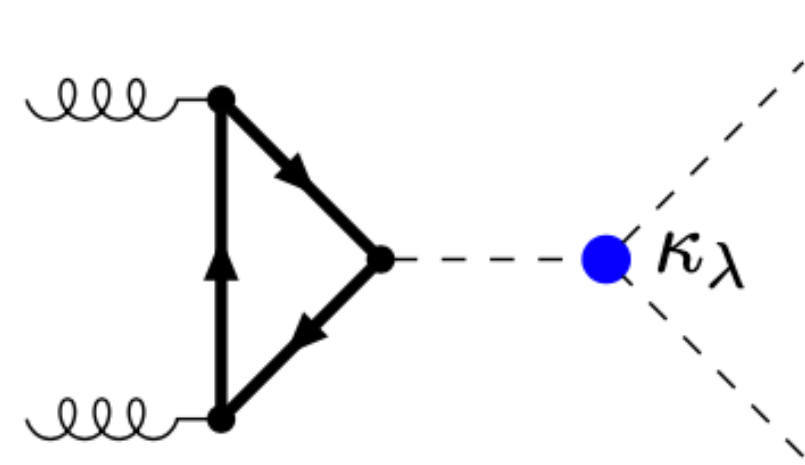


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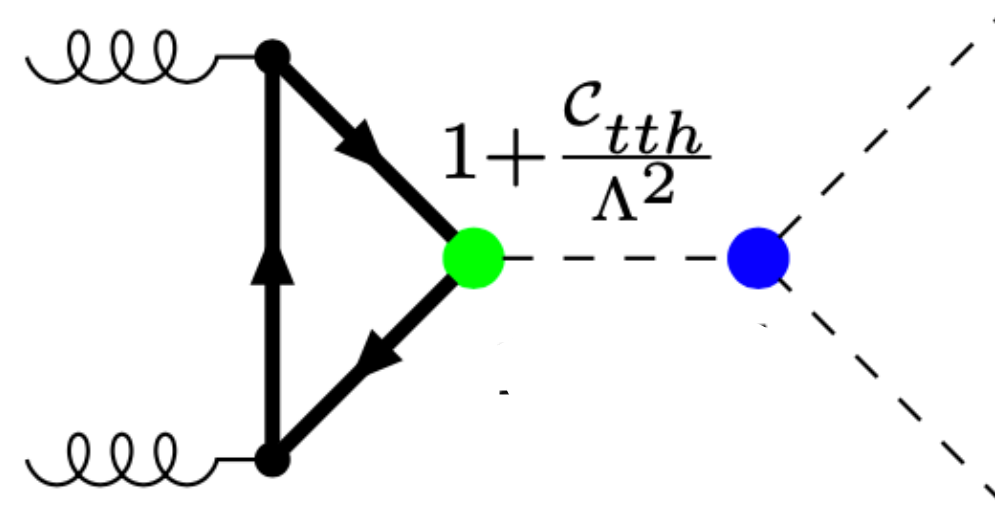
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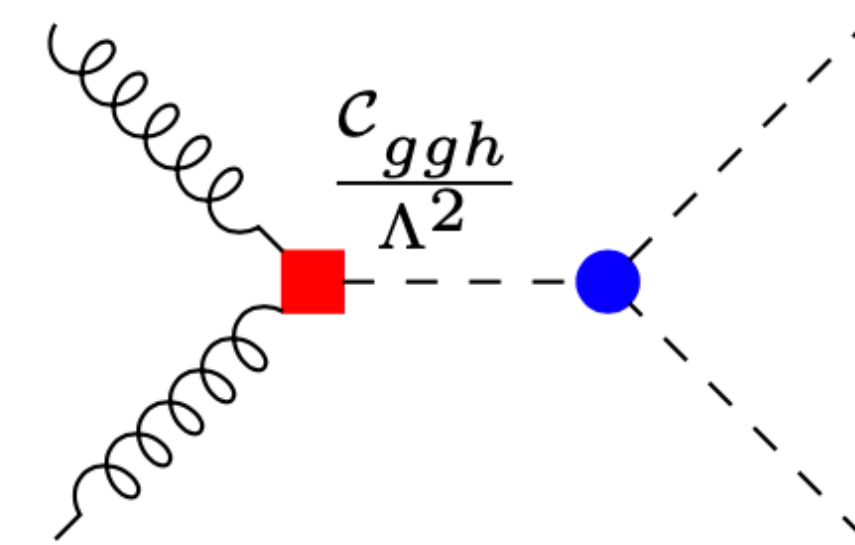
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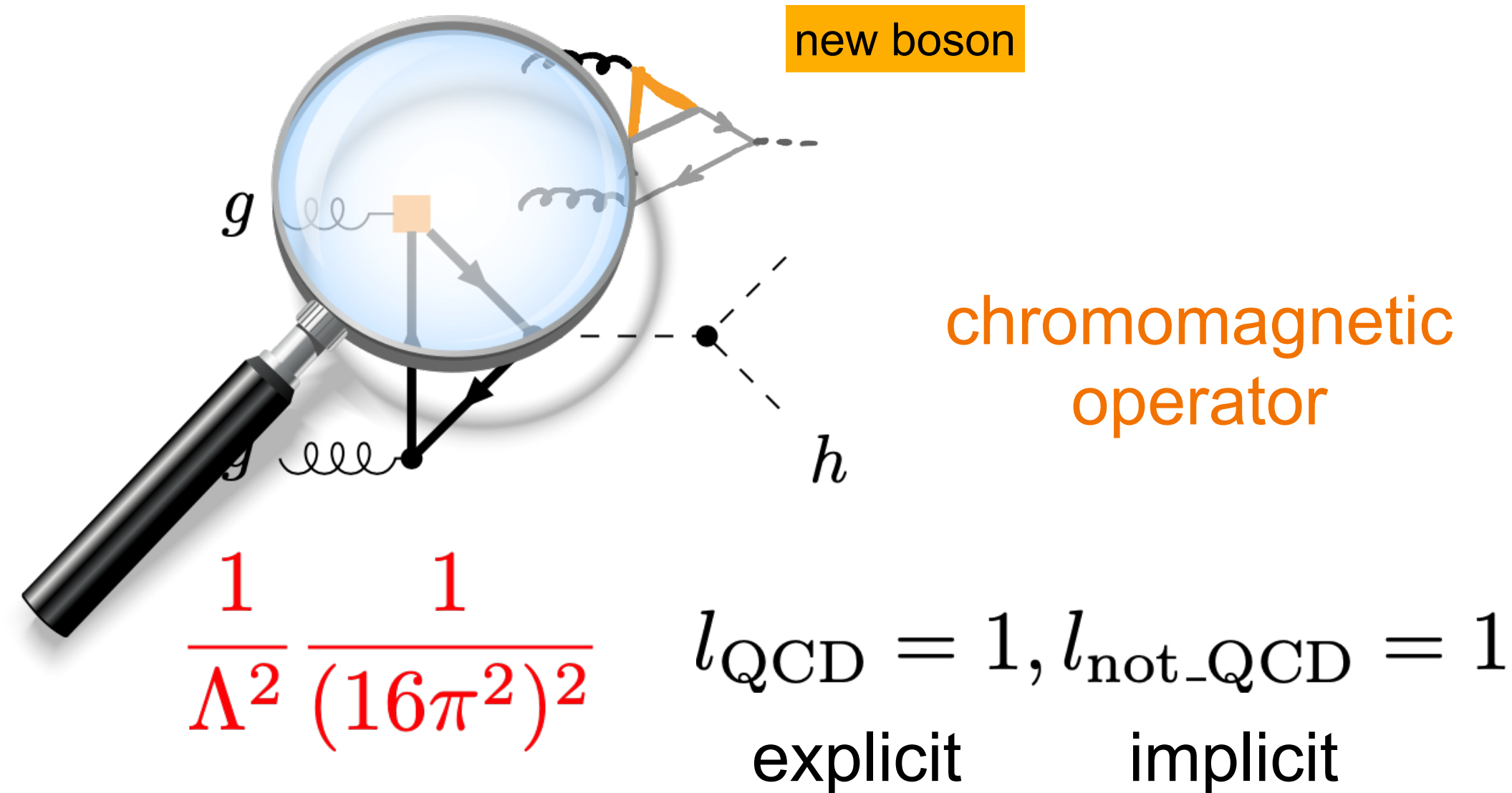
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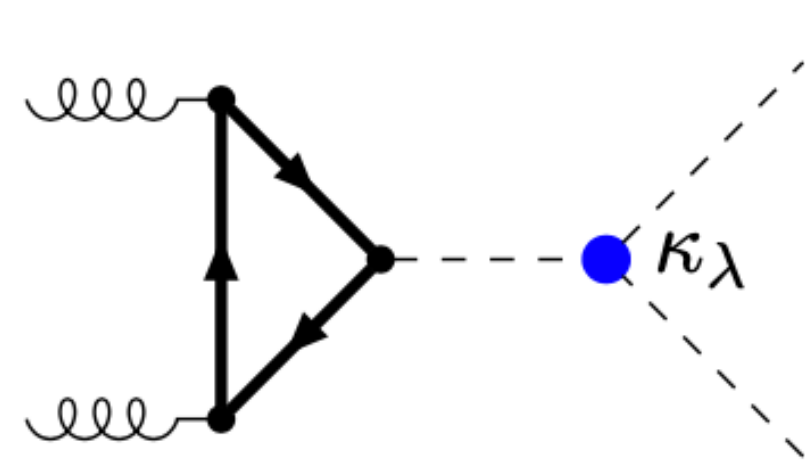
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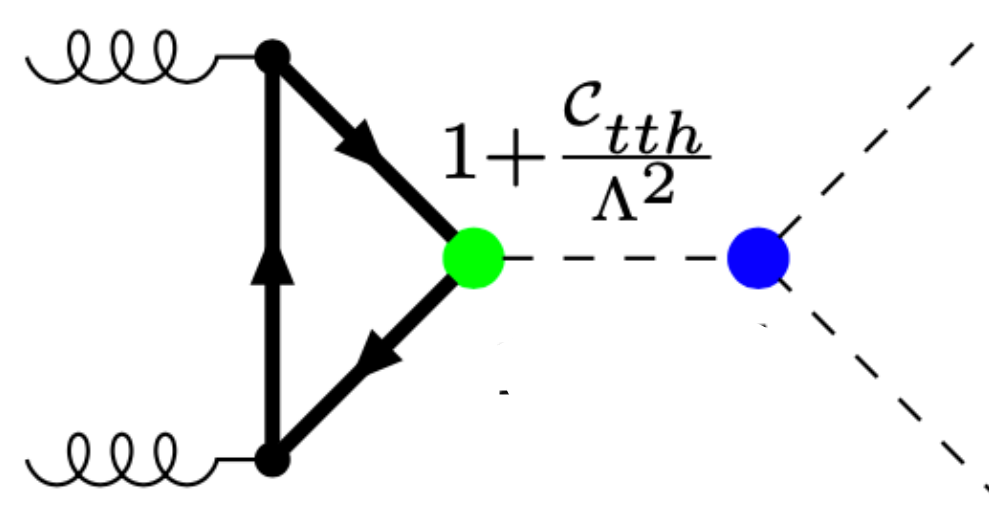
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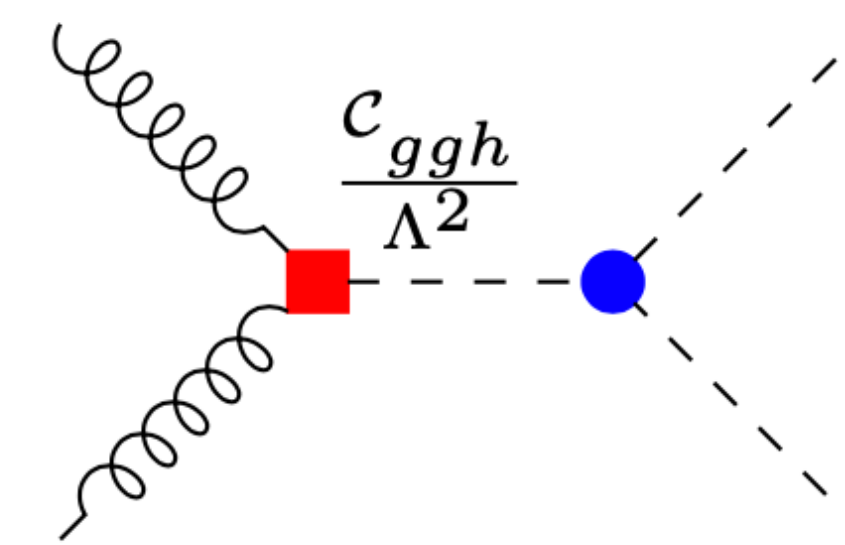
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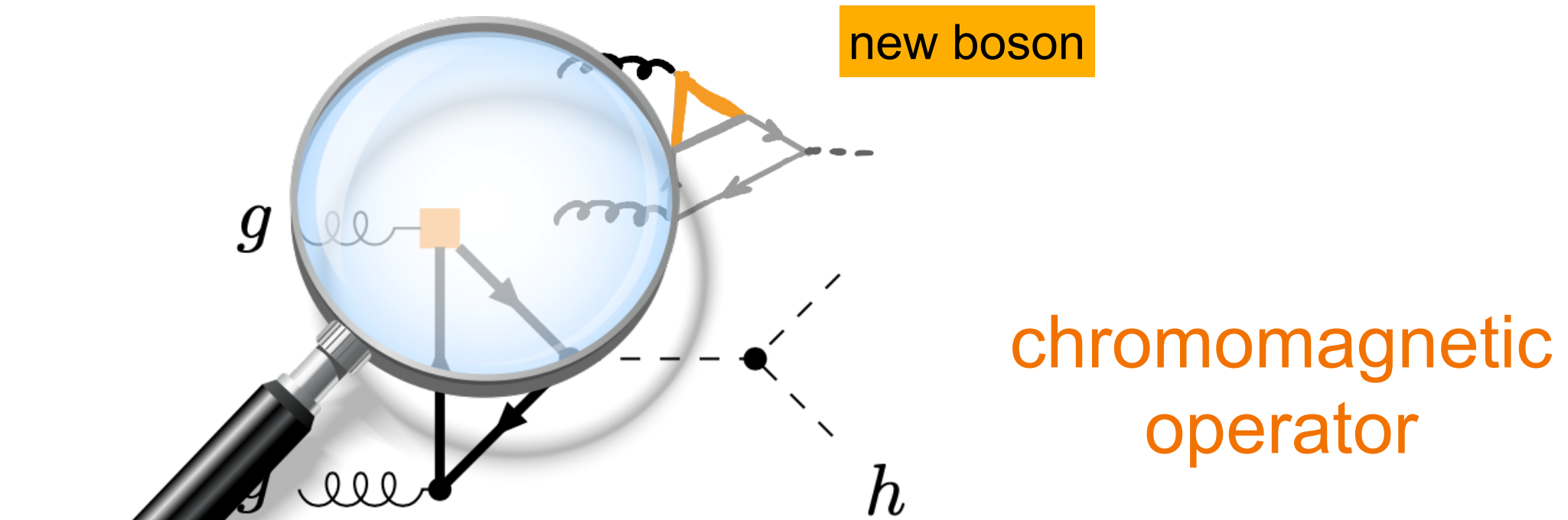
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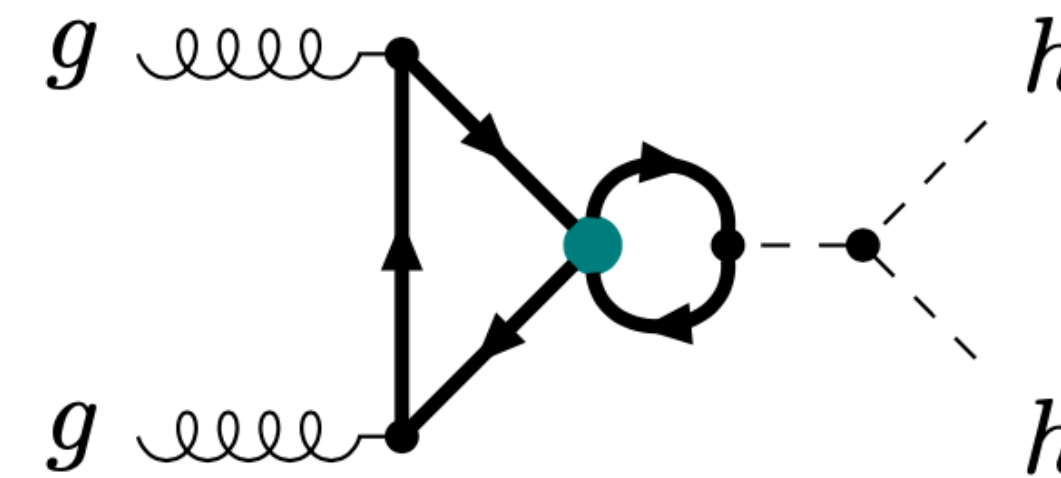


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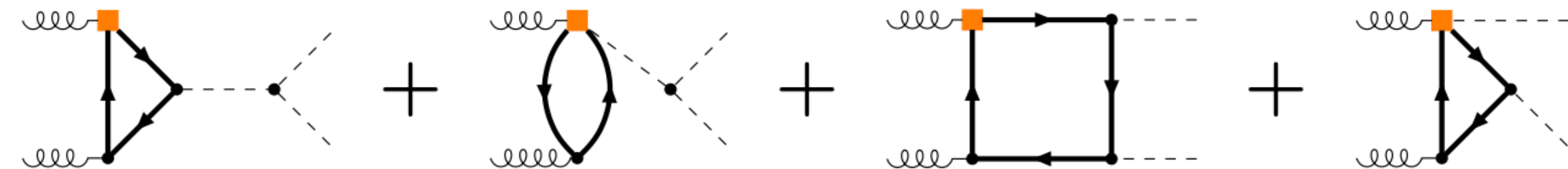
4-top operators enter at the same order!



# Subleading operators in SMEFT

in a renormalisable, weakly coupling UV completion

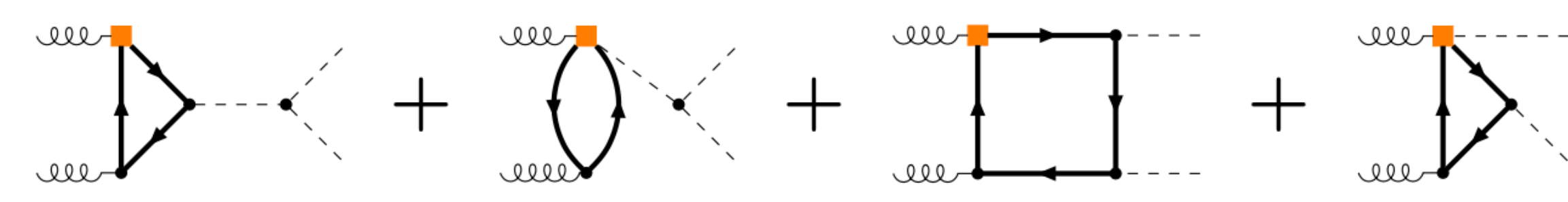
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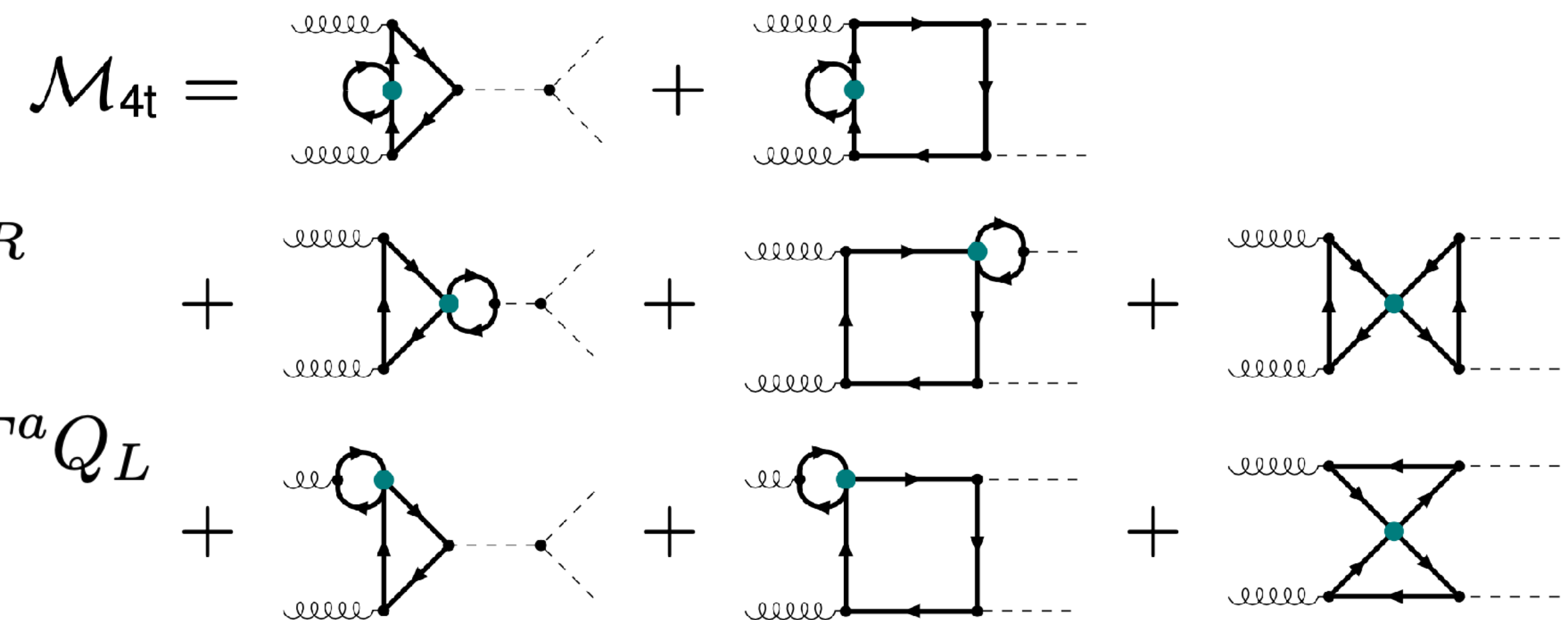
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$\bar{t} \mathbb{P}_R \gamma^\mu \mathbb{P}_L t \bar{t} \mathbb{P}_L \gamma_\mu \mathbb{P}_R t \quad ; \quad \mathbb{P}_{L/R} = (\mathbb{I} \mp \gamma_5)/2$

- 4-top operators occur in 2-loop diagrams
- treatment of  $\gamma_5$  matters!
- translation between schemes also affects other operators and parameters

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in  $D = 4 - 2\epsilon$  dimensions: (1), (2) and (3) cannot be maintained simultaneously



# gamma5 in D dimensions

different schemes to extend  $\gamma_5$  to D dimensions:

“naive dimensional regularisation” (**NDR**):

keep  $\{\gamma_5, \gamma^\mu\} = 0$

abandon cyclicity of trace (or fix inconsistencies by hand)

reading point for traces: “**Kreimer scheme**”

but: ambiguities observed at high loop orders

L. Chen, 2304.13814, J. Davies et al 2110.05496, ...

Breitenlohner, Maison; ‘t Hooft, Veltman (**BMHV**):

$$\gamma^\mu = \underbrace{\bar{\gamma}^\mu}_{4\text{-dim.}} + \underbrace{\hat{\gamma}^\mu}_{(D-4)\text{ dim.}} ; \quad \{\gamma_5, \bar{\gamma}^\mu\} = 0 ; \quad [\gamma_5, \hat{\gamma}^\mu] = 0$$

- spurious breaking of gauge invariance
- needs symmetry restoring counterterms
- the latter can be derived algorithmically

see talks by Matthias Weisswange,  
Paul Kühler, Dominik Stöckinger



# Scheme dependence induced by 4t operators

scheme dependent part

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Diagram 1: } t \text{ line with a self-energy loop} = \frac{C_{Qt}^{(1)} + c_F C_{Qt}^{(8)}}{\Lambda^2} (B_{m_t} + K_{m_t}) \times \text{Diagram 2: } t \text{ line with a cross} ; K_{m_t} = \begin{cases} -\frac{m_t^2}{8\pi^2} & \text{(NDR)} \\ 0 & \text{(BMHV)} \end{cases} \\
 & \text{Diagram 3: } h \text{ line with a loop and two } t \text{ lines} = \frac{C_{Qt}^{(1)} + c_F C_{Qt}^{(8)}}{\Lambda^2} \left( B_{ht\bar{t}} + K_{m_t} - \frac{v^3}{\sqrt{2}m_t} K_{tH} \right) \times \text{Diagram 4: } h \text{ line with two } t \text{ lines} ; K_{tH} = \begin{cases} \frac{\sqrt{2}m_t(4m_t^2 - m_h^2)}{16\pi^2 v^3} & \text{(NDR)} \\ 0 & \text{(BMHV)} \end{cases} \\
 & \text{Diagram 5: } g \text{ line with a loop and two } t \text{ lines} = \frac{C_{Qt}^{(1)} + (c_F - \frac{c_A}{2}) C_{Qt}^{(8)}}{C_{tG}} K_{tG} \times \text{Diagram 6: } g \text{ line with two } t \text{ lines} ; K_{tG} = \begin{cases} -\frac{\sqrt{2}m_t g_s}{16\pi^2 v} & \text{(NDR)} \\ 0 & \text{(BMHV)} \end{cases}
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more flexible: derive a **translation dictionary** by requiring  $\tilde{X}^{\text{NDR}} \stackrel{!}{=} \tilde{X}^{\text{BMHV}}$

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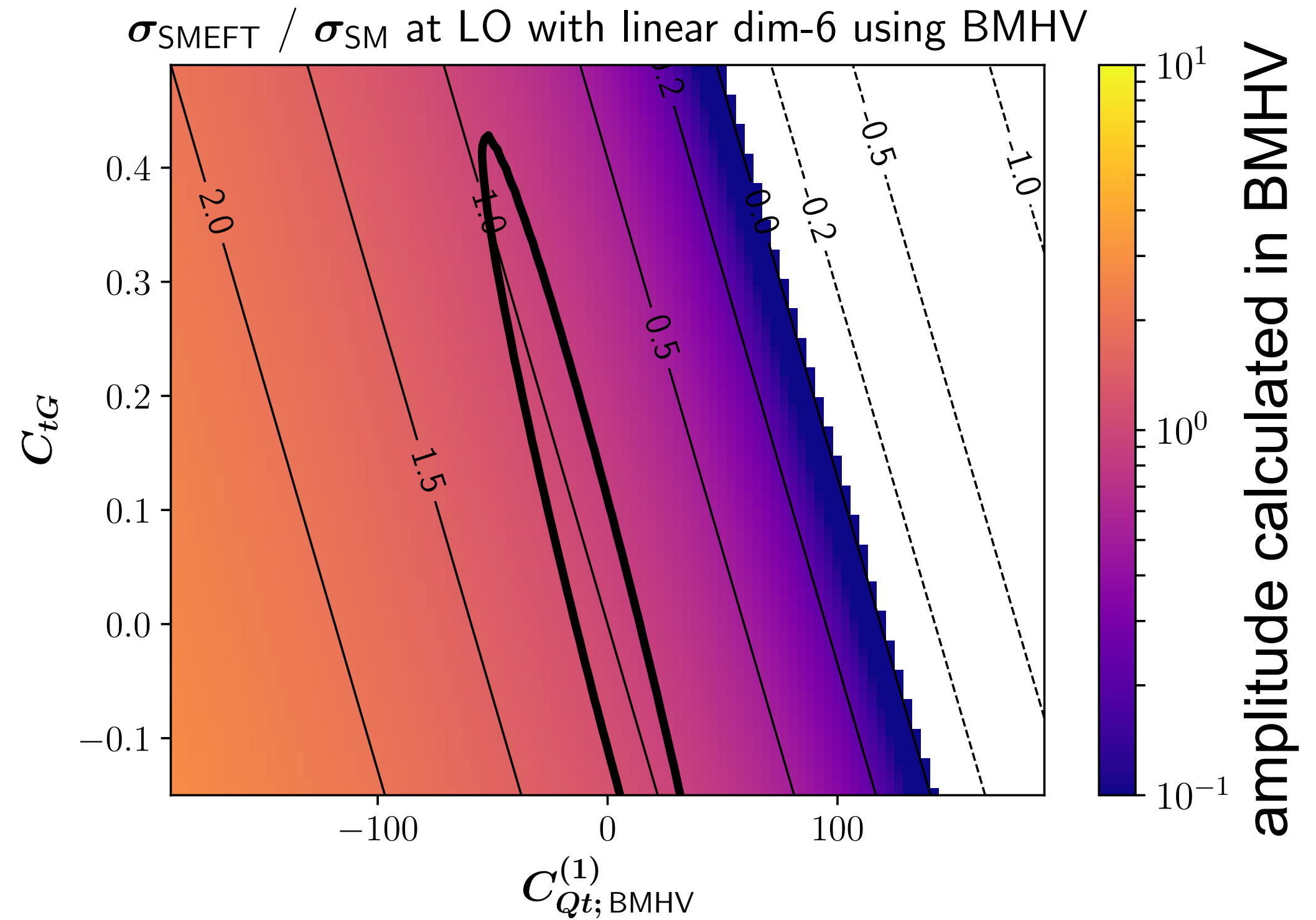
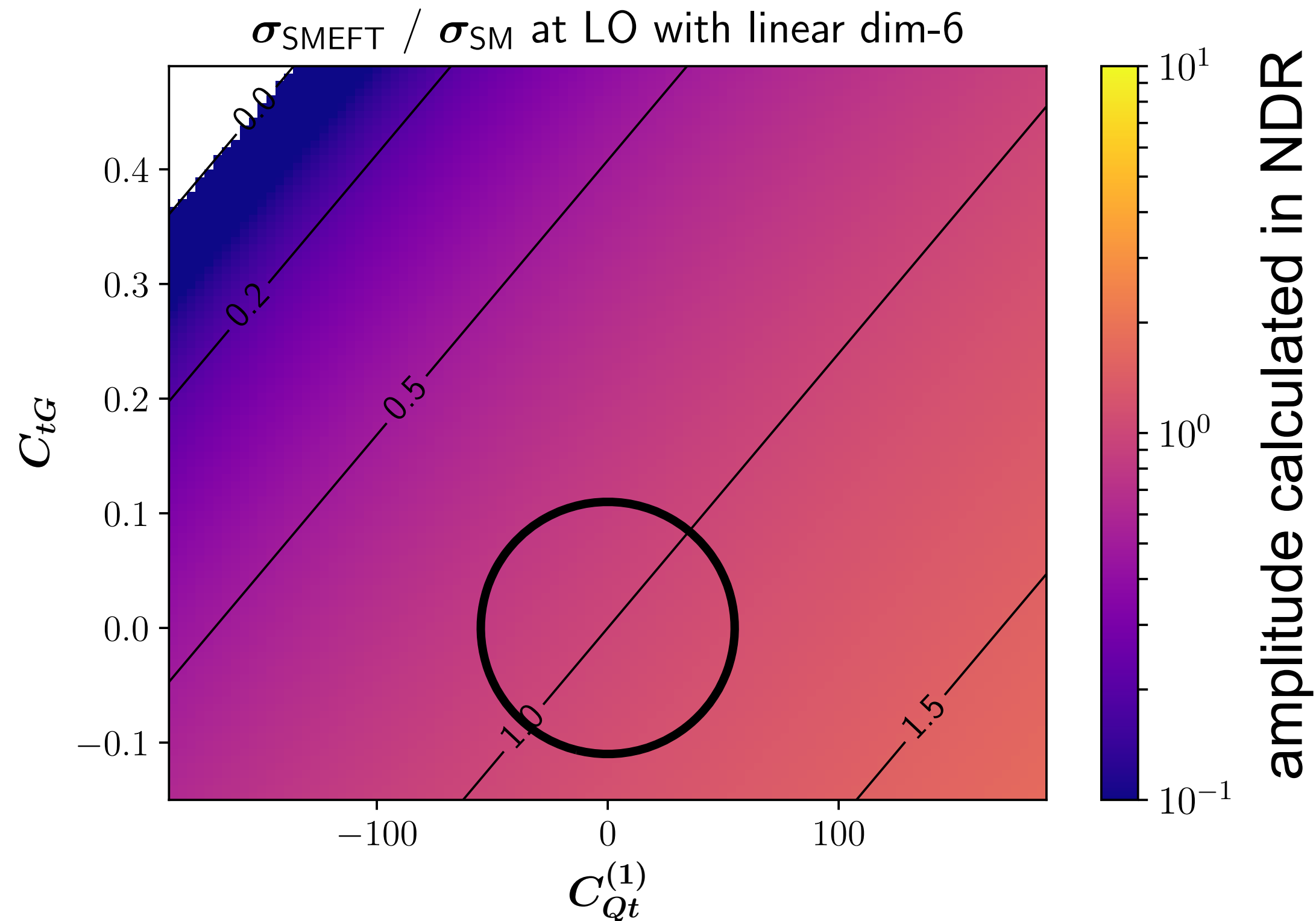
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shift can be of same order as Wilson coefficient itself

# Effect of different gamma5-schemes

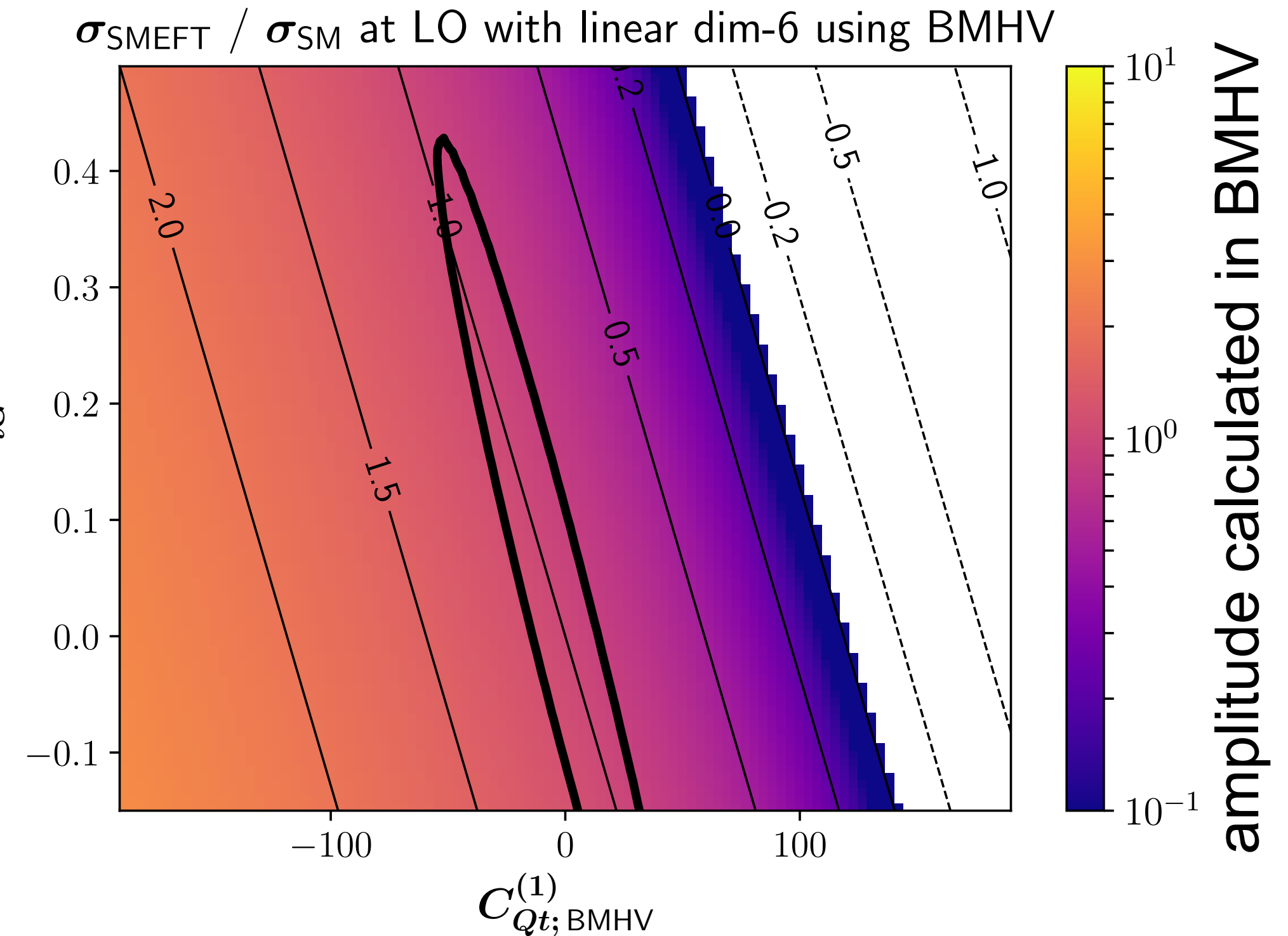
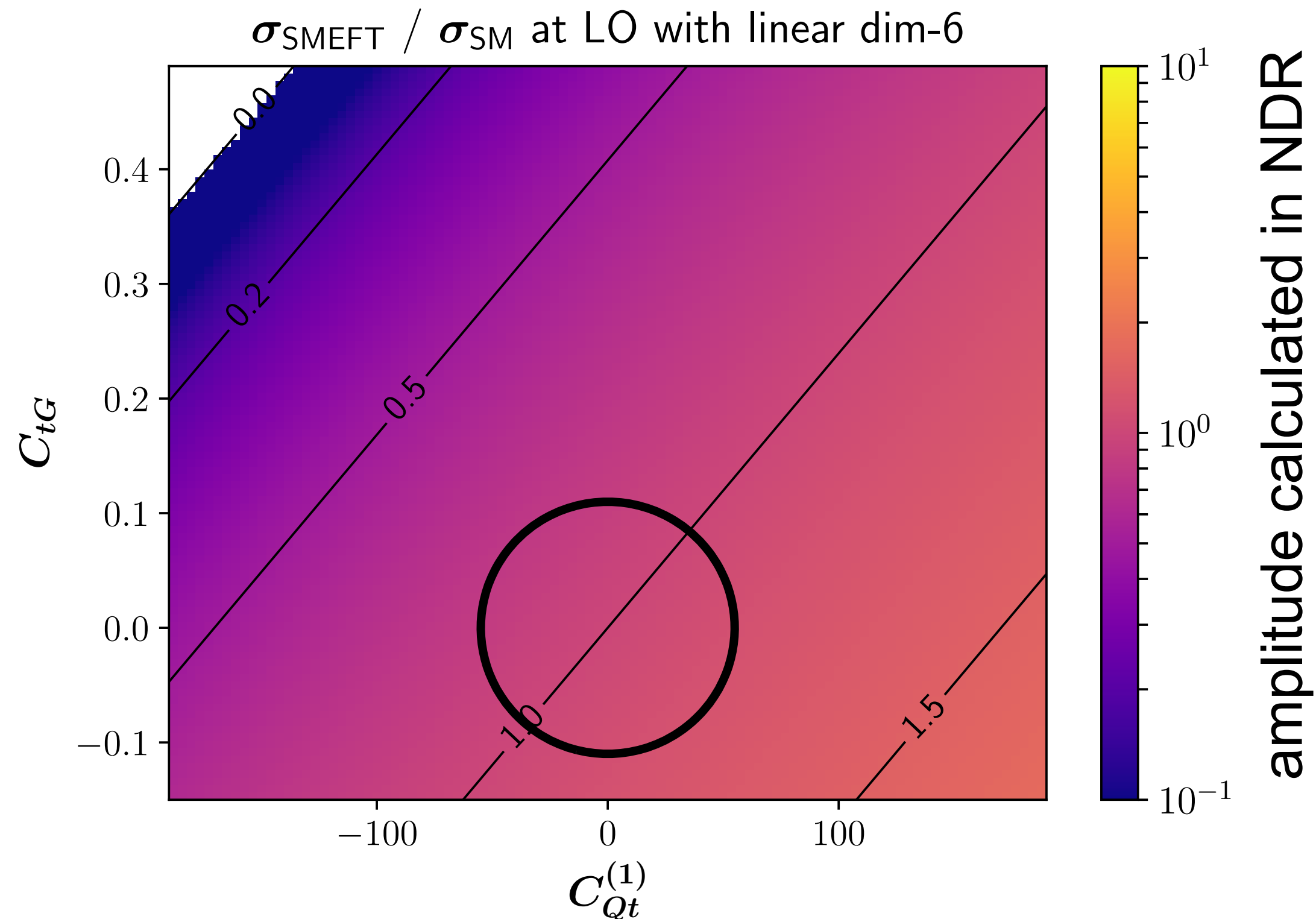


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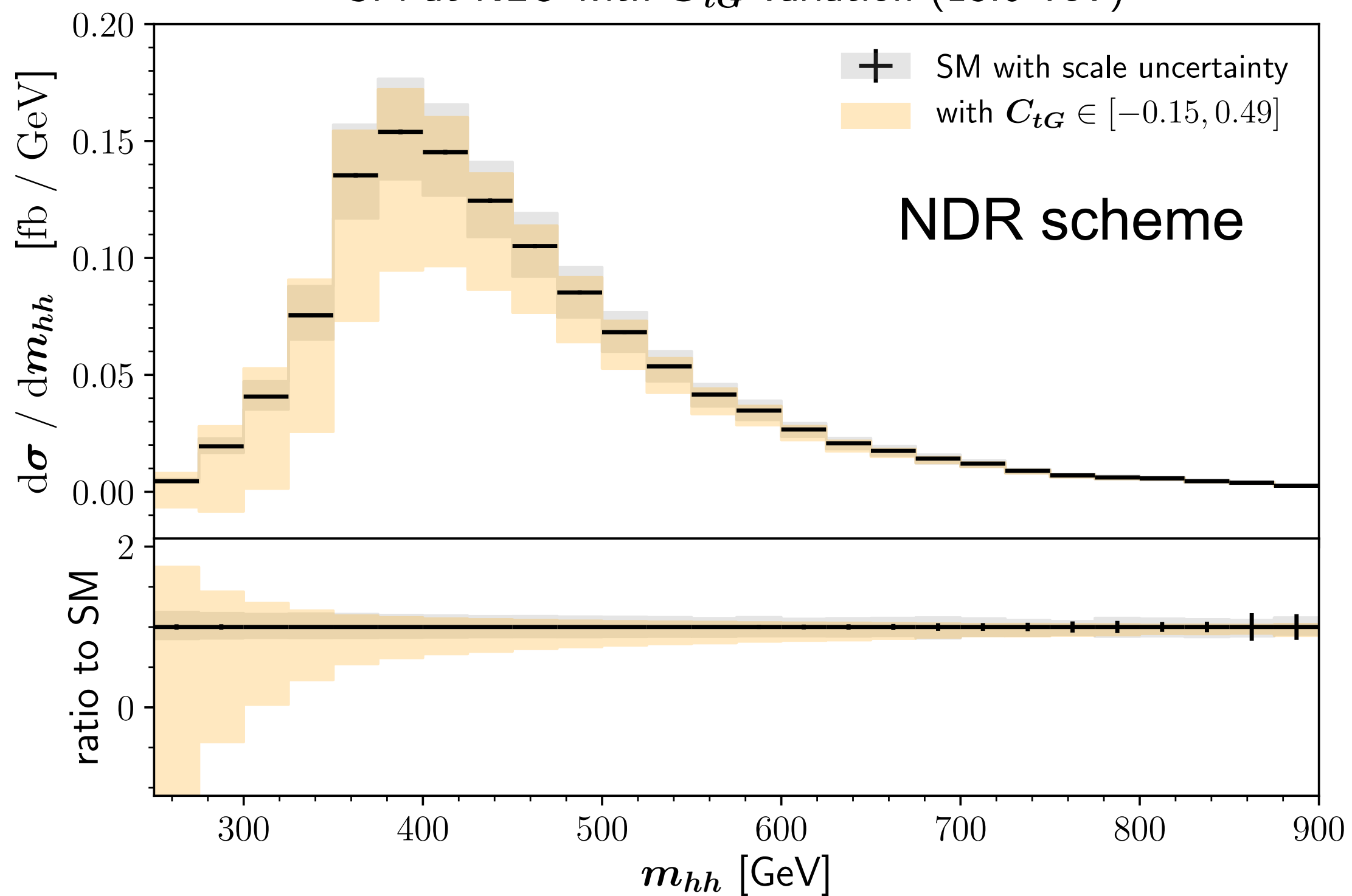
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total cross section is the same in both schemes,  
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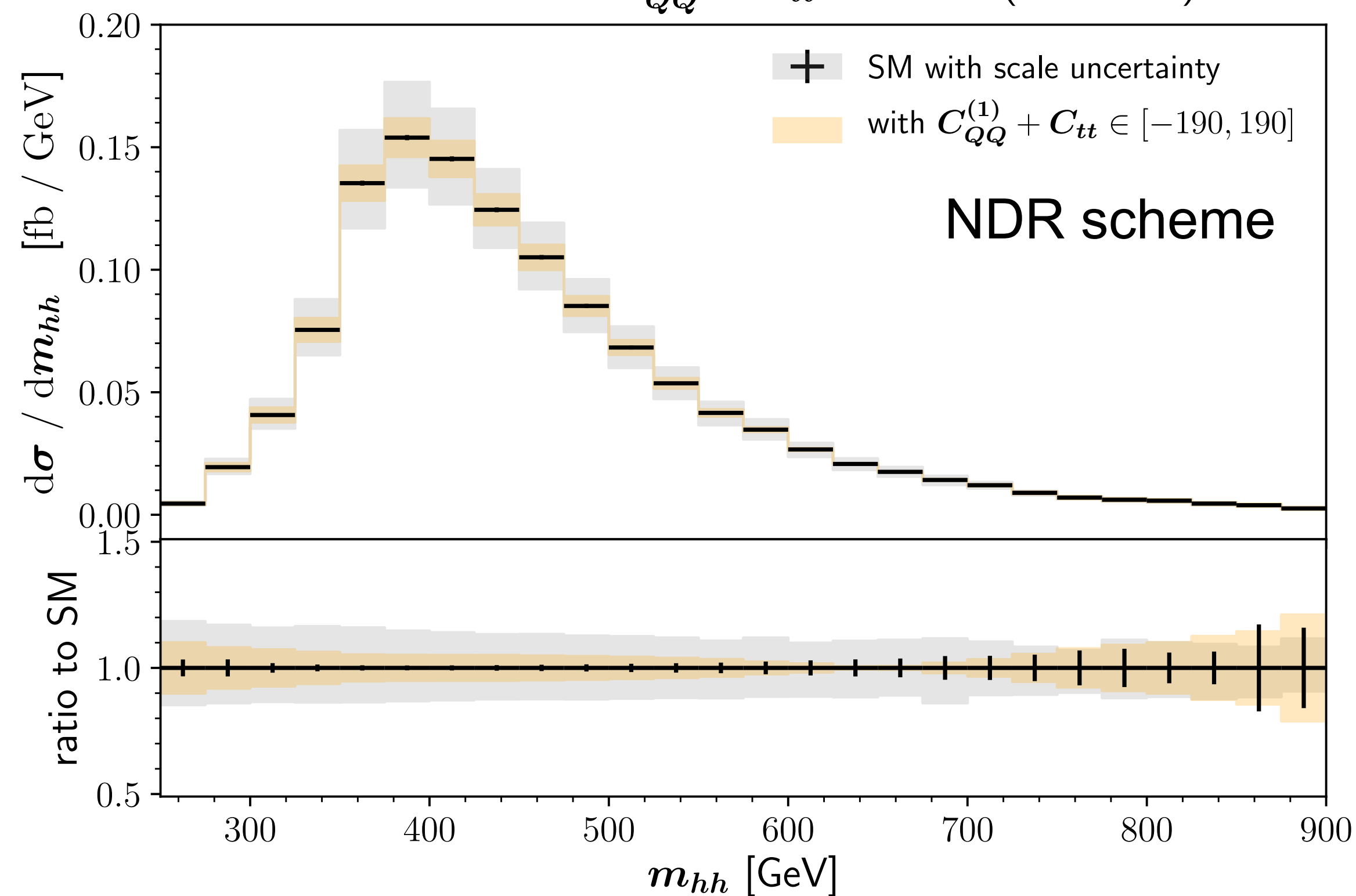
# Effect of chromomagnetic and $C_{QQ}^{(1)} + C_{tt}$ operators

variation ranges: from global fit (marginalised), Ethier et al, 2105.00006 [SMEFiT coll.]

SM at NLO with  $C_{tG}$  variation (13.6 TeV)



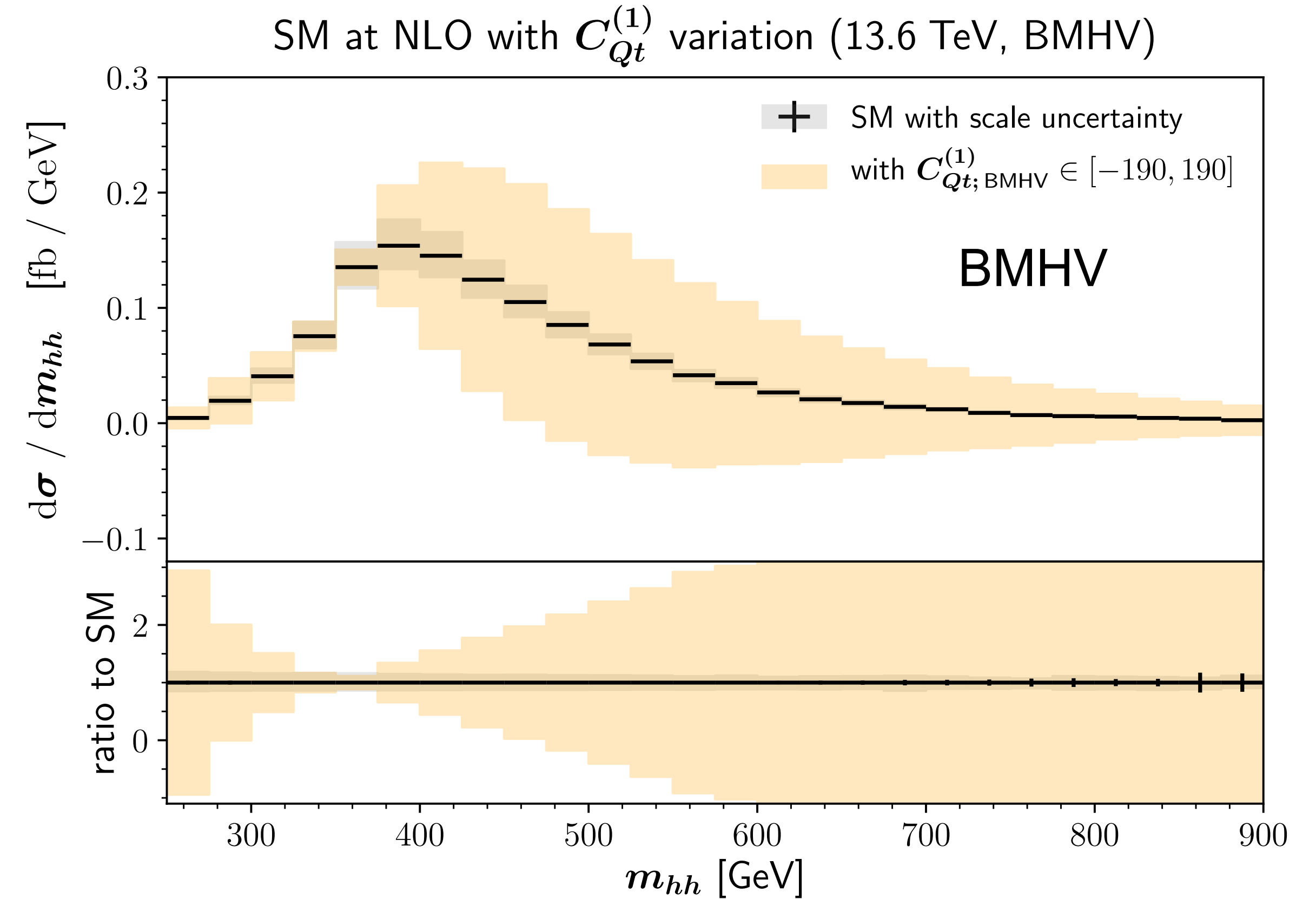
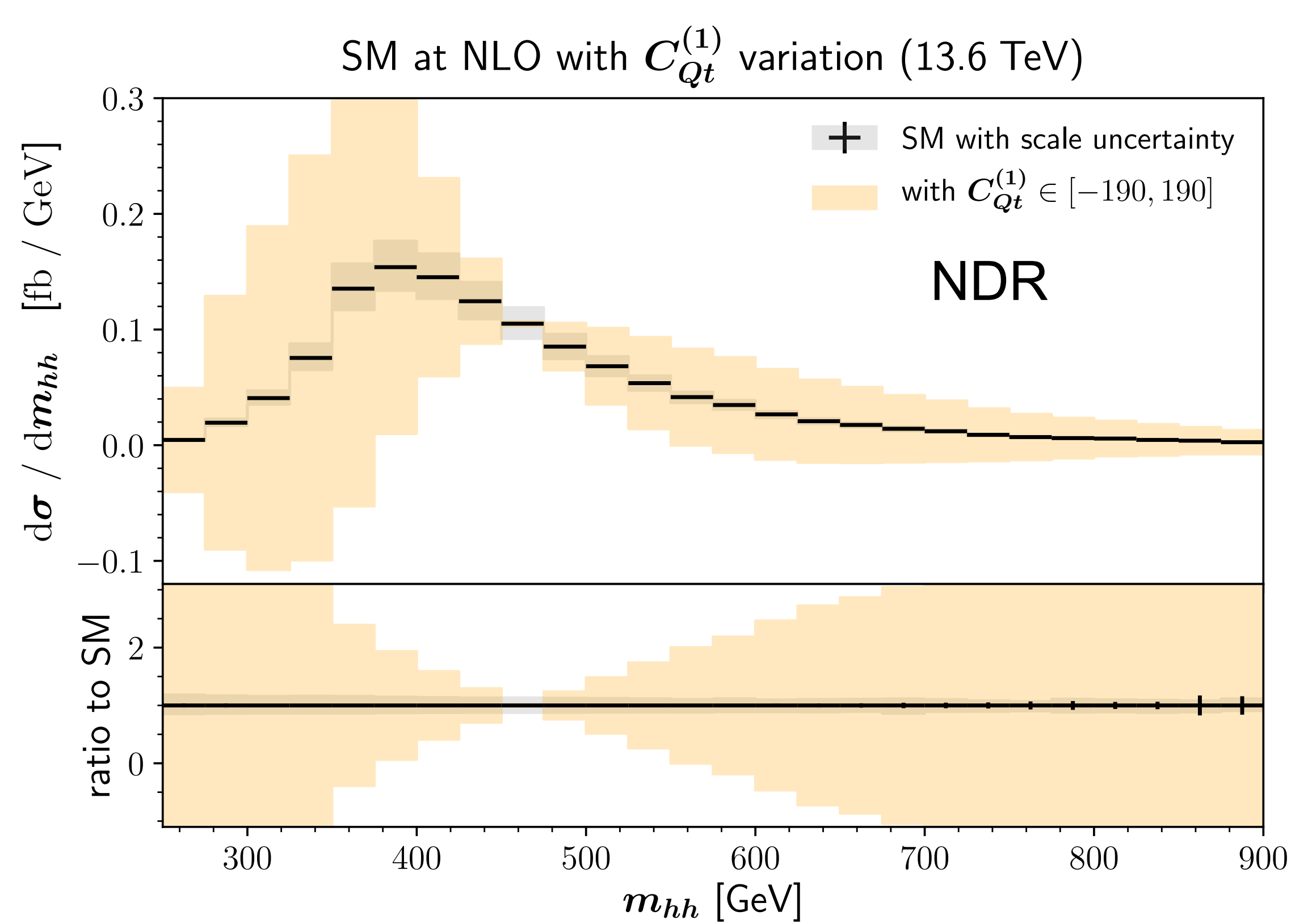
SM at NLO with  $C_{QQ}^{(1)} + C_{tt}$  variation (13.6 TeV)



Effect of  $C_{tG}$  in this variation range larger than SM scale uncertainties

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# Effect of $C_{Qt}^{(1)}$ in different gamma5 schemes

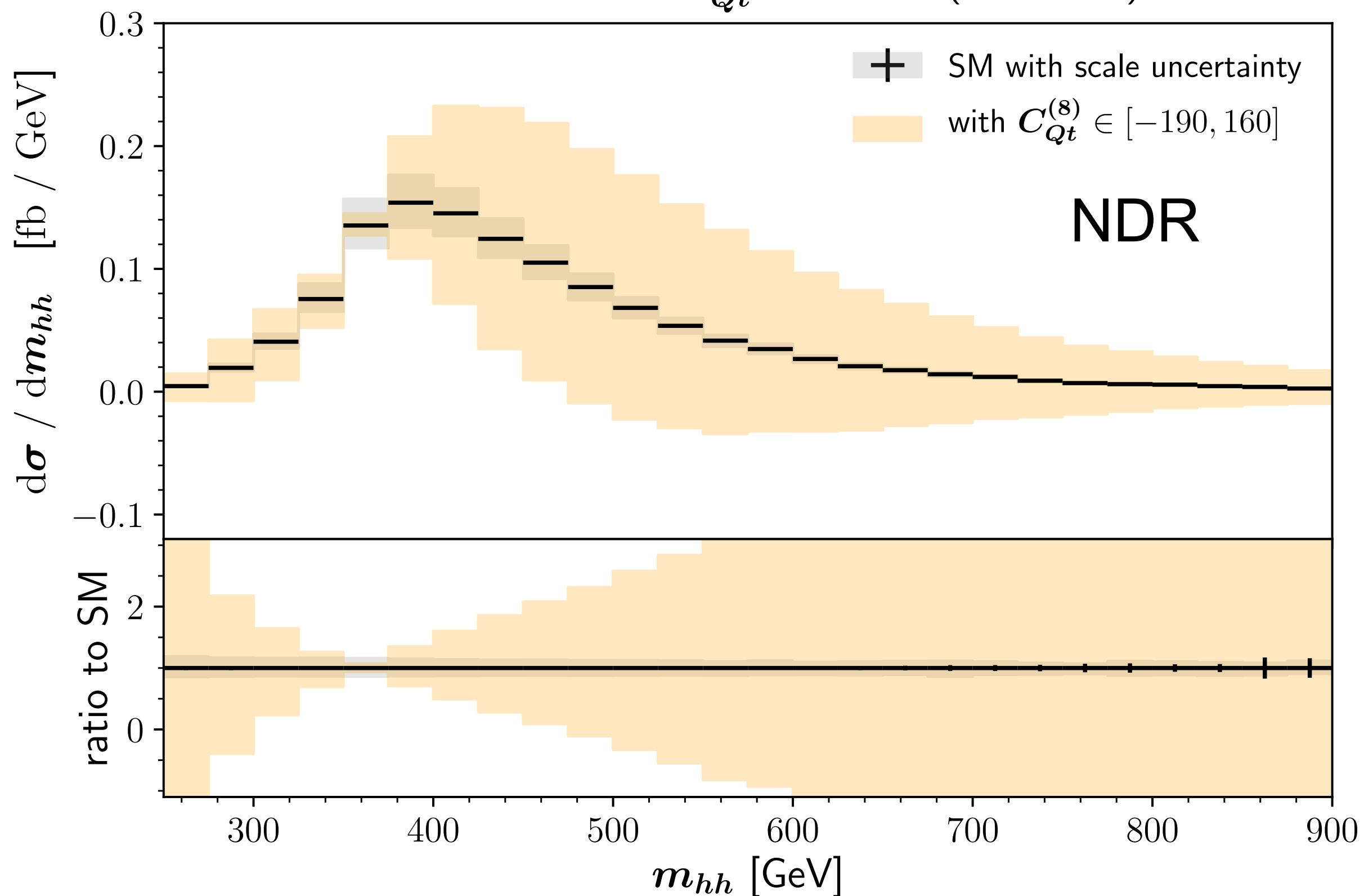


large effect and very different behaviour in the two schemes

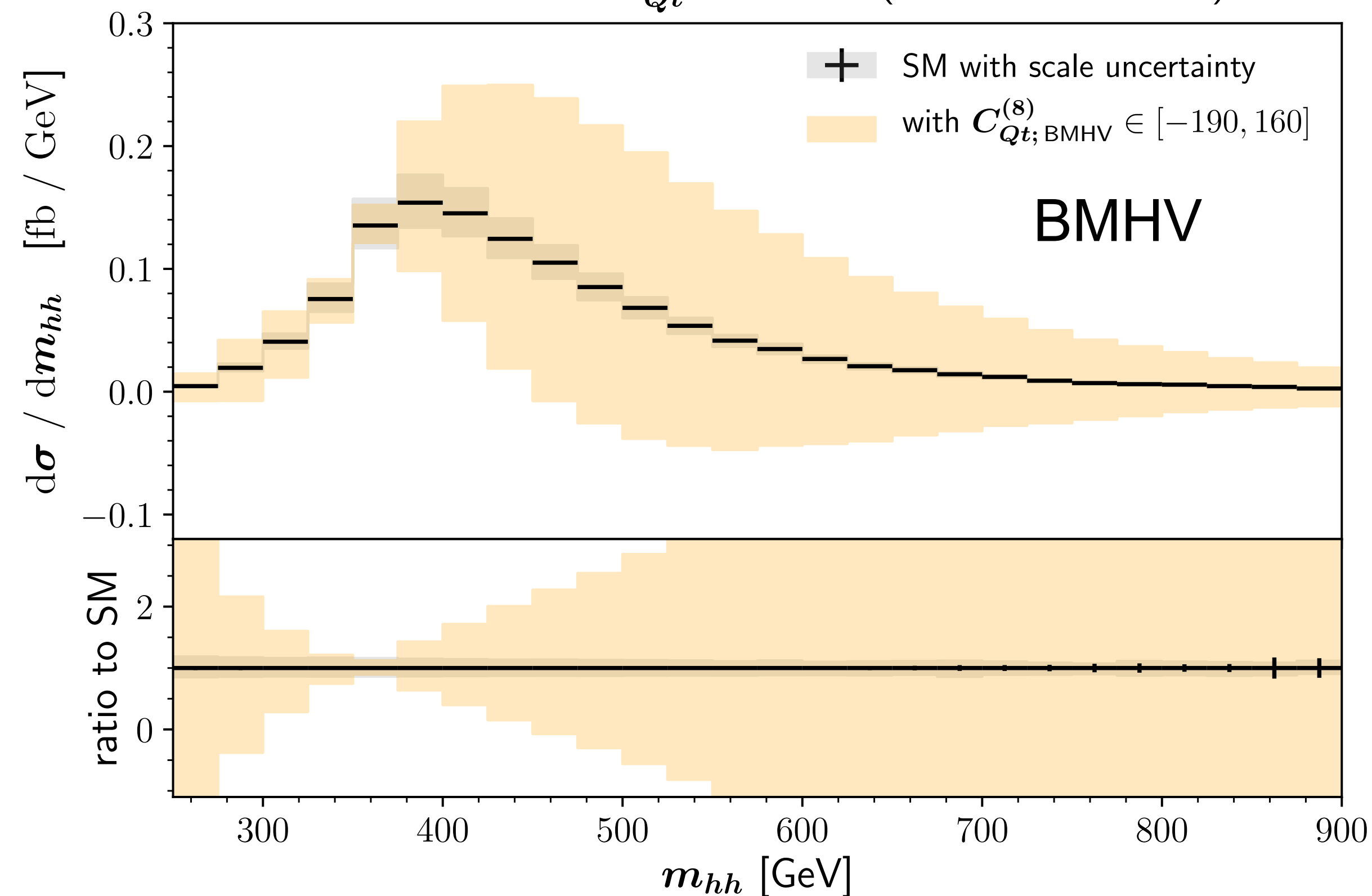
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# Effect of $C_{Qt}^{(8)}$ in different gamma5 schemes

SM at NLO with  $C_{Qt}^{(8)}$  variation (13.6 TeV)



SM at NLO with  $C_{Qt}^{(8)}$  variation (13.6 TeV, BMHV)



large effect, scheme difference less pronounced;

H(H) production to constrain 4top-operators?

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# Summary & outlook

- Increasing the precision in modelling potential new physics effects by Effective Field Theory has several aspects:
  - combination with higher orders in perturbation theory
  - inclusion of subleading operators
  - control of truncation effects, inclusion of operators beyond dimension 6, running Wilson coefficients, ...
- SMEFT description of Higgs boson (pair) production beyond leading  $O$ 's:
  - 4-fermion operators enter at two loops, introduce a dependence on  $\gamma_5$
  - $\gamma_5$  scheme dependence **also affects other operators**
  - scheme translation “dictionary” provided for operators entering  $H(H)$  production
  - constraints on individual Wilson coefficients can be scheme dependent!



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if we treat gamma5 carelessly  
all our fits of Wilson coefficients  
may not lead us to a BSM theory



# backup slides





# Translation between BMHV and NDR

similarly: operators of type  $\psi^2 \phi^2 D$  , e.g.  $\mathcal{L}_{2t2\phi} = \frac{C_{\phi Q}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{Q}_L \gamma_\mu Q_L \left( \phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \phi \right) + \frac{C_{\phi t}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu t_R \left( \phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \phi \right)$

$$y_t^{\text{BMHV}} = y_t^{\text{NDR}} \left( 1 - \frac{\lambda v^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{C_{HQ}^{(1)} - C_{Ht}}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

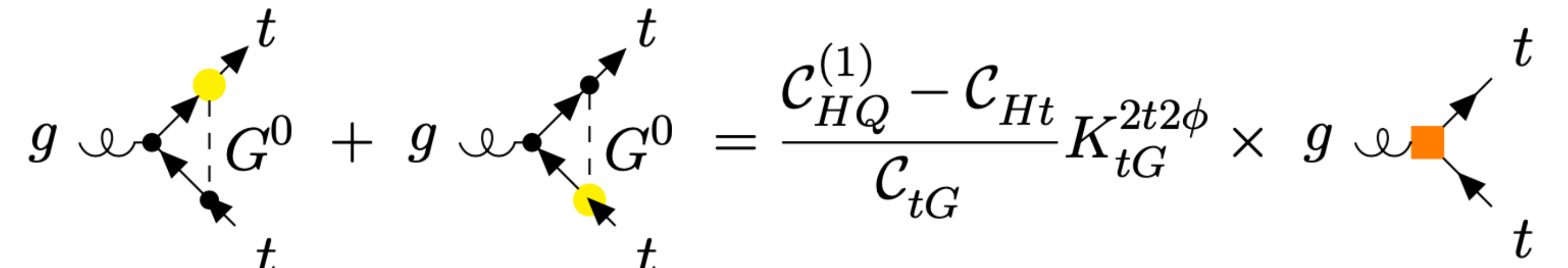
modification of EW-type couplings

$$C_{tH}^{\text{BMHV}} = C_{tH}^{\text{NDR}} - \frac{y_t(y_t^2 + 3\lambda)}{48\pi^2} (C_{HQ}^{(1)} - C_{Ht})$$

note:  $m_t = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \left( y_t - \frac{v^2}{2} \frac{C_{tH}}{\Lambda^2} \right)$

$$C_{tG}^{\text{BMHV}} = C_{tG}^{\text{NDR}} + \frac{g_s y_t}{48\pi^2} (C_{HQ}^{(1)} - C_{Ht})$$

example



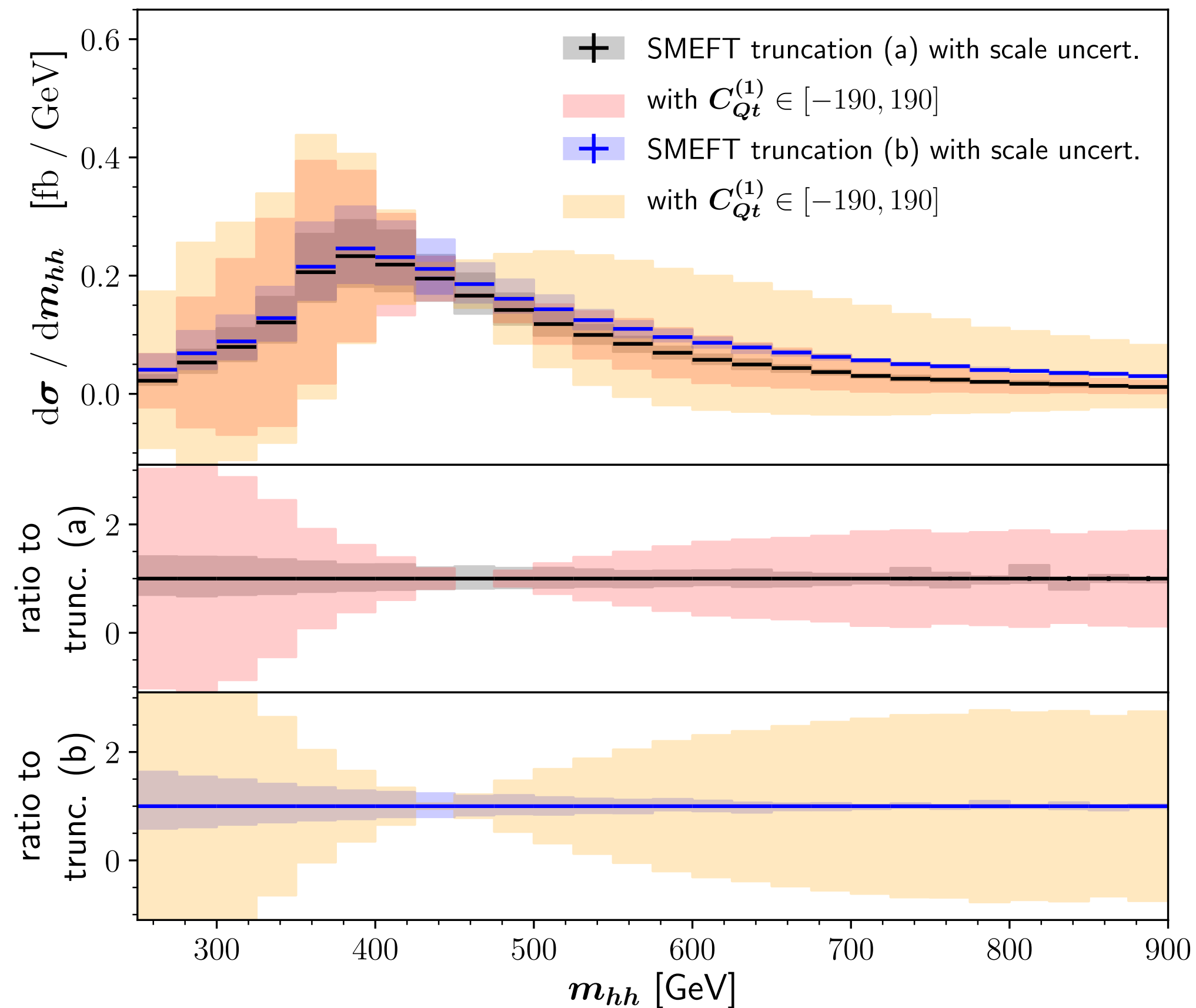
The diagram shows two tree-level diagrams on the left, each representing a top quark loop with a gluon exchange. The first diagram has a yellow dot on the top quark line, and the second has a black dot. These are summed and equated to a tree-level diagram with a top quark loop and a gluon exchange, multiplied by a factor  $\frac{C_{HQ}^{(1)} - C_{Ht}}{C_{tG}} K_{tG}^{2t2\phi}$ , plus an ellipsis.

$$g \ell \text{---} \text{---} t \text{---} G^0 \text{---} t + g \ell \text{---} \text{---} t \text{---} G^0 \text{---} t = \frac{C_{HQ}^{(1)} - C_{Ht}}{C_{tG}} K_{tG}^{2t2\phi} \times g \ell \text{---} \text{---} t \text{---} t + \dots$$

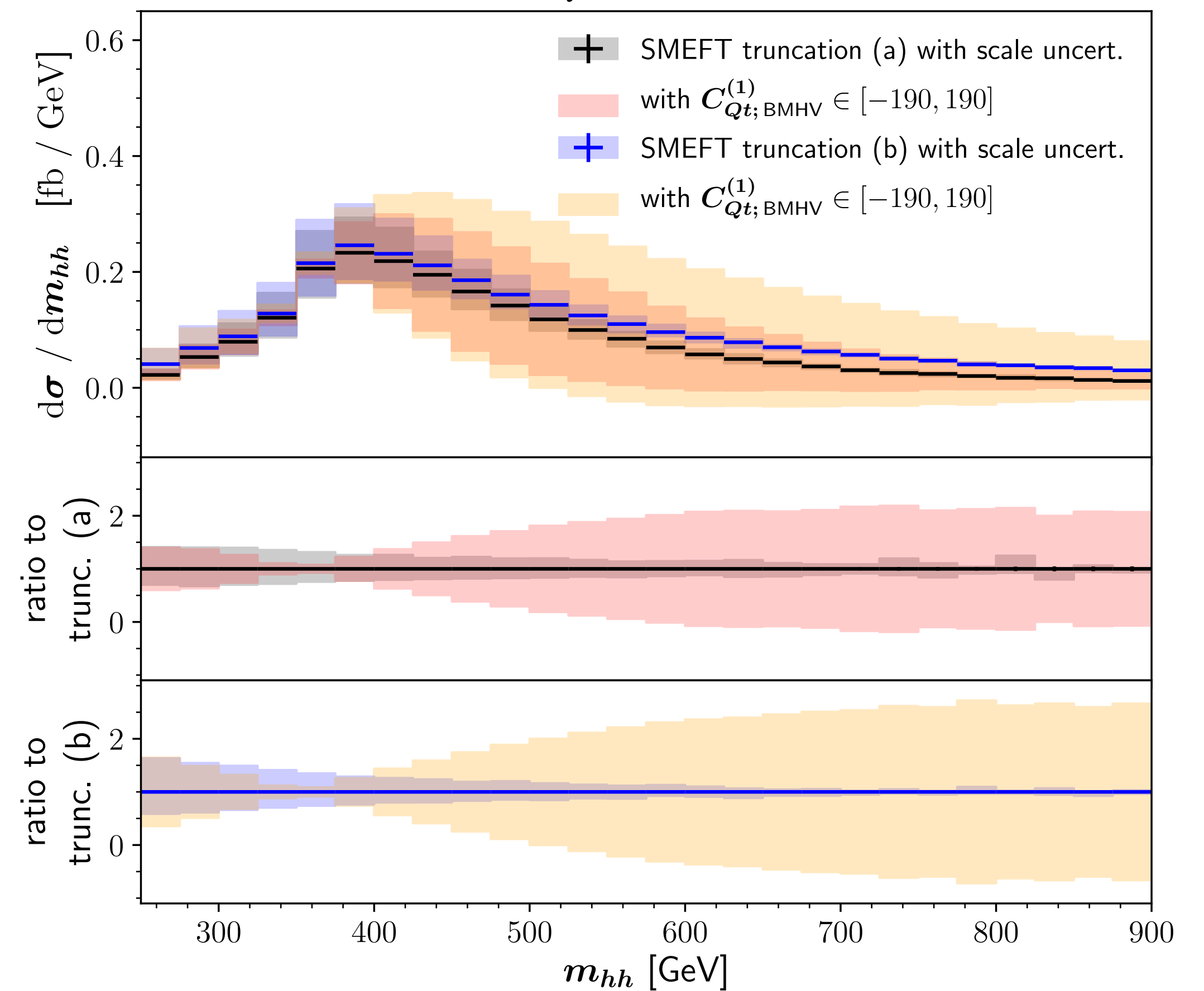
# Effect of different gamma5 schemes

## benchmark point 6

BP6 at NLO with  $C_{Qt}^{(1)}$  variation (13.6 TeV)



BP6 at NLO with  $C_{Qt}^{(1)}$  variation (13.6 TeV, BMHV)



# Tools for ggHH production with QCD corr. + EFT



## HEFT

- LO + NLO in heavy top limit: HPAIR Gröber Mühlleitner, Spira, Streicher '15, '17
- NLO QCD with full top quark mass dependence implemented in **ggHH** code available at

<http://powhegbox.mib.infn.it/User-Process-V2>

$\kappa_\lambda$  variations only: GH, Jones, Kerner, Luisoni, Scyboz 1903.08137

**5 anomalous couplings:** GH, Jones, Kerner, Scyboz 2006.16877

- approximate NNLO (HTL NNLO, full NLO): De Florian, Fabre, GH, Mazzitelli, Scyboz 2106.14050

## SMEFT

leading + subleading operators: **ggHH\_SMEFT** (NLO QCD) GH, Lang, Scyboz '22, '23

also: LO / HTL tools, MG5\_aMC@NLO Brivio et al., Degrande et al.

# SMEFT truncation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{M}_{\text{SMEFT}}^{\text{LO}} = & \text{[Diagram 1: Box diagram with } 1 + \frac{c_{tth}}{\Lambda^2} \text{ vertices]} + \text{[Diagram 2: Triangle diagram with } 1 + \frac{c_{tth}}{\Lambda^2} \text{ and } 1 + \frac{c_{hhh}}{\Lambda^2} \text{ vertices]} + \text{[Diagram 3: Triangle diagram with } \frac{c_{tthh}}{\Lambda^2} \text{ vertex]} \\
 & + \text{[Diagram 4: Box diagram with } \frac{c_{ggh}}{\Lambda^2} \text{ and } 1 + \frac{c_{hhh}}{\Lambda^2} \text{ vertices]} + \text{[Diagram 5: Box diagram with } \frac{c_{gghh}}{\Lambda^2} \text{ vertex]} \\
 = & \mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{M}_{\text{dim6}} + \mathcal{M}_{(\text{dim6})^2}
 \end{aligned}$$
  

$$\sigma \simeq \left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
 \sigma_{\text{SM}} + \sigma_{\text{SM} \times \text{dim6}} & \text{“linear” (a)} \\
 \sigma_{(\text{SM} + \text{dim6}) \times (\text{SM} + \text{dim6})} & \text{“quadratic” (b)} \\
 \sigma_{(\text{SM} + \text{dim6}) \times (\text{SM} + \text{dim6})} + \sigma_{\text{SM} \times \text{dim6}^2} & \text{(c)} \\
 \sigma_{(\text{SM} + \text{dim6} + \text{dim6}^2) \times (\text{SM} + \text{dim6} + \text{dim6}^2)} & \text{(d)}
 \end{array} \right.$$



# Naive translation HEFT to SMEFT

benchmark (* = modified)	$c_{hhh}$	$c_t$	$c_{tt}$	$c_{ggh}$	$c_{gggh}$	$C_{H,\text{kin}}$	$C_H$	$C_{uH}$	$C_{HG}$	$\Lambda$
SM	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 TeV
1*	5.105	1.1	0	0	0	4.95	-6.81	3.28	0	1 TeV
3*	2.21	1.05	$-\frac{1}{3}$	0.5	0.25*	13.5	2.64	12.6	0.0387	1 TeV
6*	-0.684	0.9	$-\frac{1}{6}$	0.5	0.25	0.561	3.80	2.20	0.0387	1 TeV

HEFT	Warsaw
$c_{hhh}$	$1 - 2 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{v^2}{m_h^2} C_H + 3 \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} C_{H,\text{kin}}$
$c_t$	$1 + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} C_{H,\text{kin}} - \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}m_t} C_{uH}$
$c_{tt}$	$-\frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{3v}{2\sqrt{2}m_t} C_{uH} + \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} C_{H,\text{kin}}$
$c_{ggh}$	$\frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{8\pi}{\alpha_s} C_{HG}$
$c_{gggh}$	$\frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{4\pi}{\alpha_s} C_{HG}$

$$E^2 \frac{|C_i|}{\Lambda^2} \ll 1 \quad \text{not fulfilled for } \Lambda \simeq 1 \text{ TeV}$$

and  $E \simeq m_{hh}$  up to  $\sim 1$  TeV

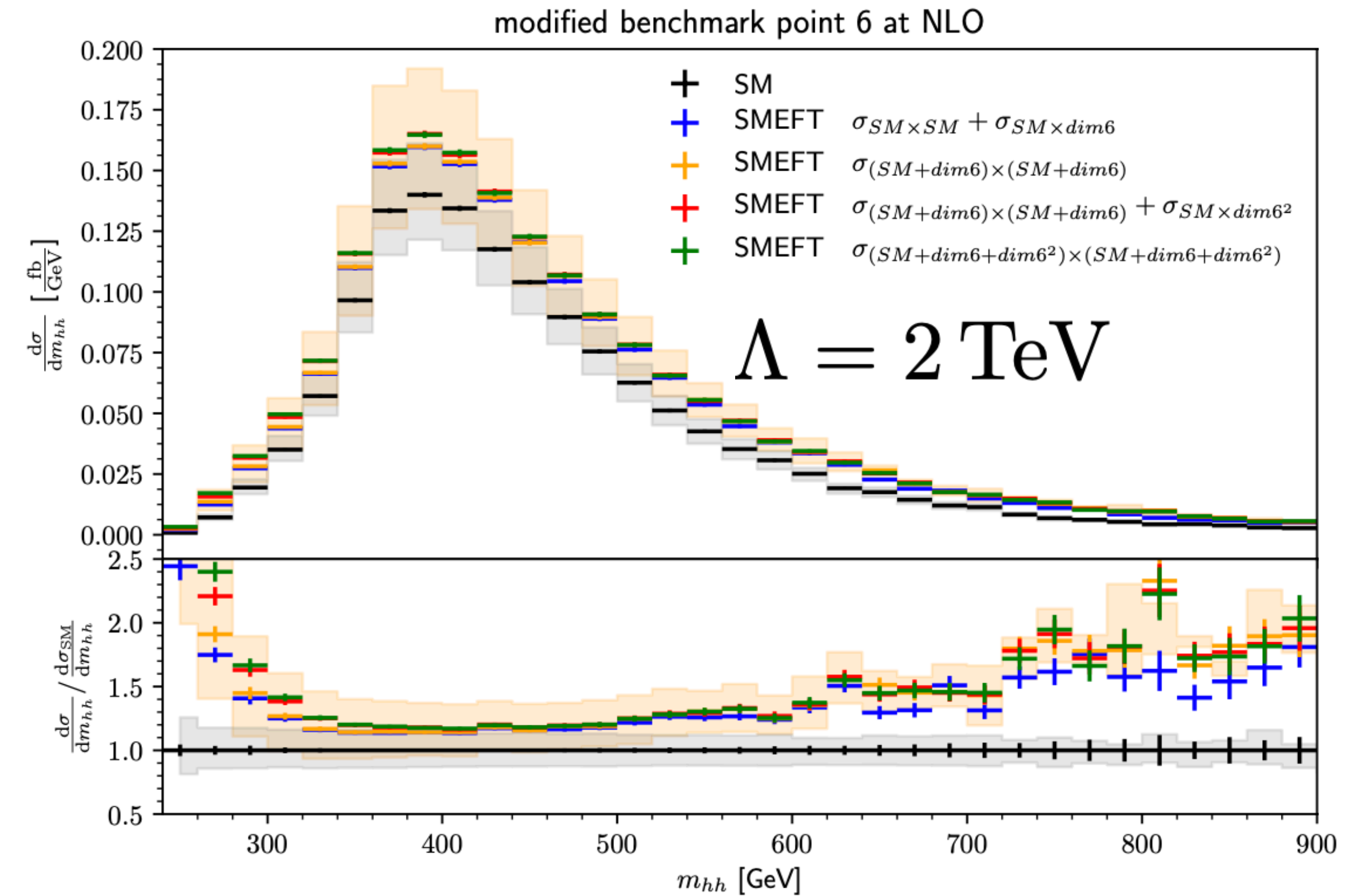
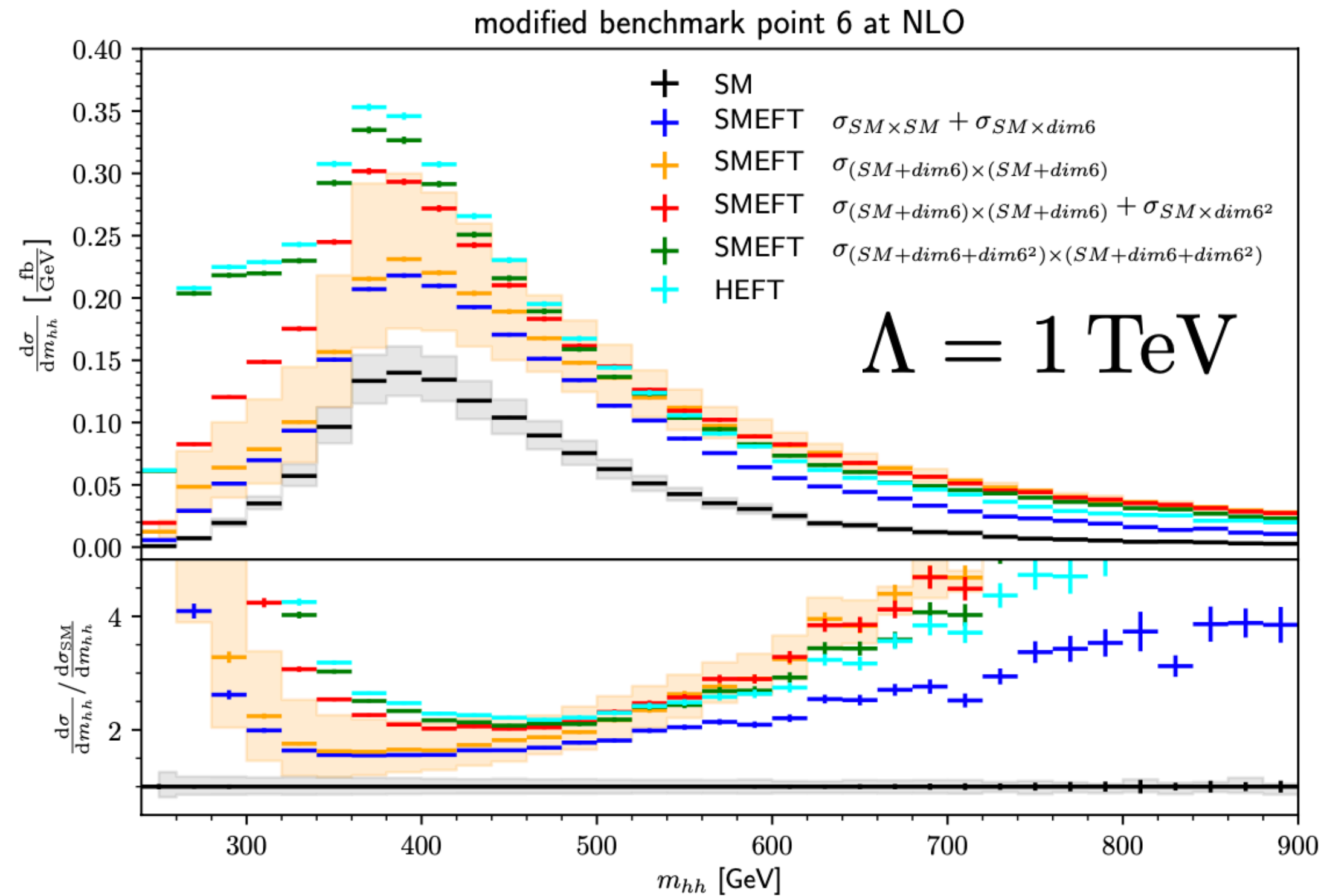
$$h \rightarrow h + v^2 \frac{C_{H,\text{kin}}}{\Lambda^2} \left( h + \frac{h^2}{v} + \frac{h^3}{3v^2} \right) \quad \text{to achieve canonical kinetic term}$$

$$C_{H,\text{kin}} := C_{H,\square} - \frac{1}{4} C_{HD}$$

# Truncation effects on Higgs boson pair invariant mass

benchmark point 6\*

figures: Jannis Lang



large differences between different truncation options  
and HEFT/SMEFT

differences between truncation options smaller, but  
can hardly be distinguished from SM  
within NLO scale uncertainties

# HEFT and SMEFT

- **HEFT:** Goldstone sector has a symmetry  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$  (chiral)
  - which is broken to  $SU(2)_{L+R}$  (“custodial symmetry”, protects the rho-parameter)
- physical Higgs field  $h(x)$  is  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  **singlet** (cf. non-linear sigma-model)
  - Lagrangian can contain polynomials
 
$$\sum_n c_n \left(\frac{h}{v}\right)^n$$
 with no a priori relation among the  $c_n$
- UV completion can be strongly coupled
  - model examples:** composite H, H-dilaton, conformal H, induced EWSB, ...
- **SMEFT:** Higgs field  $\Phi(x)$  is complex doublet, transforms linearly under  $SU(2) \times U(1)$



# Loop counting matters in SMEFT

Buchalla, GH, Müller-Salditt, Pandler, arXiv:2204.11808

general term in EFT Lagrangian:  $C \cdot \partial^{N_p} \phi^{N_\phi} A^{N_A} \psi^{N_\psi} \kappa^{N_\kappa}$

EFT power counting: estimate size of coefficient  $C$

size depends on both, canonical dimension  $d_c$  and loop order  $L$

loop order  $L$  can also be expressed by chiral dimension  $d_\chi$ :  $L = \frac{1}{2}(d_\chi - 2)$

$$\Rightarrow C = C(d_c, d_\chi)$$

$$d_c = N_p + \frac{3}{2}N_\psi + N_\phi + N_A \quad , \quad d_\chi = N_p + \frac{1}{2}N_\psi + N_\kappa$$

# Loop counting matters in SMEFT

define reference scale  $f = \Lambda/4\pi$  where EFT expansion is valid

Lagrangian has canonical dimension 4, loop factors  $1/16\pi^2$  are counted by L

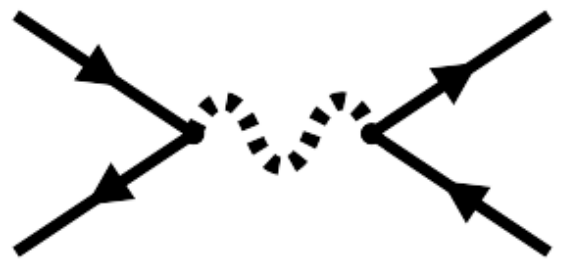
$$\Rightarrow C(d_c, d_\chi) = \frac{f^{4-d_c}}{(4\pi)^{d_\chi-2}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^{d_c-4}} \left( \frac{1}{4\pi} \right)^{d_\chi-d_c+2}$$

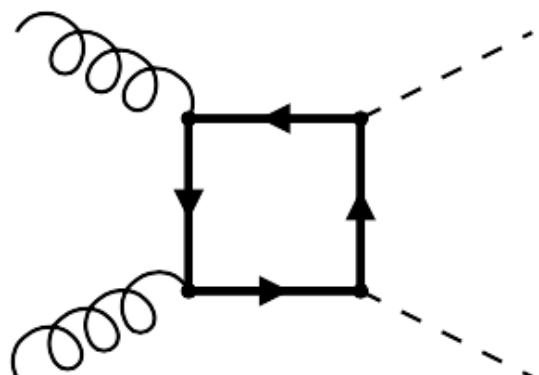
therefore, at canonical dimension  $d_c = 6$  :  $C(d_c, d_\chi) = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left( \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \right)^{\frac{d_\chi-4}{2}}$

$d_\chi = N_p + \frac{1}{2}N_\psi + N_\kappa \Rightarrow$  need to know scaling with number of weak couplings  $N_\kappa$

# Loop counting matters in SMEFT

result for **renormalisable** interactions:

terms with 4 fermions:   $\kappa^2 (\bar{\psi}\psi)^2$   $d_\chi = 4$

terms with field strength tensors:  generally loop-induced operators  $\sim \kappa^4$

$$\kappa^4 \bar{\psi} \sigma_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \phi \psi, \quad \kappa^4 \phi^\dagger \phi F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \quad d_\chi = 6$$

chromomagnetic operator

$$C(d_c = 6, d_\chi) = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left( \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \right)^{\frac{d_\chi - 4}{2}} \Rightarrow C_{\text{chromo}} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left( \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \right)$$