

# SMEFT@NLO in QCD

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# Outline

- Overview of recent progress in MC event generation for SMEFT at NLO in QCD matched to parton shower
  - FeynRules/NLOCT/UFO → MadGraph5\_aMC@NLO
  - Towards complete public implementation
- Top/Higgs/Electroweak SMEFT @ the LHC
- Results from the implementations of operators affecting Higgs couplings to gauge bosons/tops
  - Selection: ttH, VH and VBF
  - EFT “validity” and future reach for HL-LHC
- In progress: combined SMEFT model for these sectors

# Going NLO

- The LHC is entering a **precision era**
  - No clear evidence for new physics as we approach the limits of the ‘energy frontier’
  - Fully complementary approach to search for **deviations in SM processes**
  - Many channels are becoming systematics dominated & require high precision theory input from higher order corrections (FO & PS)
- EFT: theoretically consistent, model independent approach to deviations of interactions between SM fields
  - Active area of research that is moving towards NLO predictions
  - NLO important for capturing potentially large QCD K-factors in total rates  
→ **greater sensitivity**
  - Verify stability of differential information beyond leading order
  - Consistent scale uncertainty estimates

# Going NLO

- State-of-the-art in MC event generation is well beyond LO
  - Software like FeynRules+NLOCT+MG5\_aMC@NLO provides automated event generation at NLO in QCD from Lagrangian
  - Other matching/merging schemes exist on a process-by-process basis, e.g., POWHEG-BOX,...
  - Individual codes exist for specific processes, up to NNLO QCD + NLO EW
- Public implementations largely restricted to SM predictions although some codes permit the inclusion of anomalous couplings
  - See, e.g., [Higgs Characterisation](#) [Demartin, Maltoni, Mawatari, Page & Zaro; EPJC 74 (2014) 9, 3065]
  - Several others: [HAWK](#), [VBFNLO](#), [HiggsPO...](#)
  - Full SM-EFT descriptions are naturally well motivated and will provide a valuable addition to the existing toolbox

# Going NLO

- NLO+PS accurate predictions in QCD are a necessary step for precision EFT analysis at LHC run 2 & beyond
- Other important avenues...
- NLO EW corrections
  - Potentially important but much harder
  - Automation on the way via SHERPA (S. Schumann's talk), Madgraph5\_aMC@NLO
- RG-improved predictions thanks to recent anomalous dimension matrix calculation
  - Very helpful for cross checking NLO implementations

[Alonso\*, Jenkins, Manohar & Trott; JHEP 1310 (2013) 087,  
JHEP 1401 (2014) 035 & JHEP 1404 (2014) 159\*]

# FeynRules/NLOCT/UFO

- FeynRules [Christensen & Duhr; *Comp. Phys. Comm.* 180 (2009) 1614]  
[Alloul et al.; *Comp. Phys. Comm.* 185 (2014) 2250]
  - Framework: Lagrangian → Feynman rules → UFO model → MC events
- Universal FeynRules Output (UFO) [Degrande et al.; *Comp. Phys. Comm.* 183 (2012) 1201]
  - Model file with particle content, internal/external parameters, Feynman rules, Lorentz structures,...
  - Compatible with many MC event generators (MG5, Sherpa, Whizard,...)
- NLOCT [Degrande; *Comp. Phys. Comm.* 197 (2015) 239]
  - Automatic calculation of UV and  $R_2$  counter-terms from FeynRules model
  - Implemented as additional Feynman rules in the UFO format
  - UV: On-shell renormalisation procedure for masses/wavefunction, MSbar for higher point functions
  - $R_2$ : numerical artefacts of dimensional regularisation

# SMEFT

- Plenty of EFT introductions already at this workshop
  - Expansion in the cutoff scale,  $\Lambda$ , using only SM fields
  - Truncated at dimension 6
  - Introduces operators to which we are sensitive via large momentum flows through vertices (i.e. tails of energy distributions)

- Operator expansion:
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_i \frac{c_i \mathcal{O}_i^D}{\Lambda^{D-4}}$$
more: fields  
derivatives

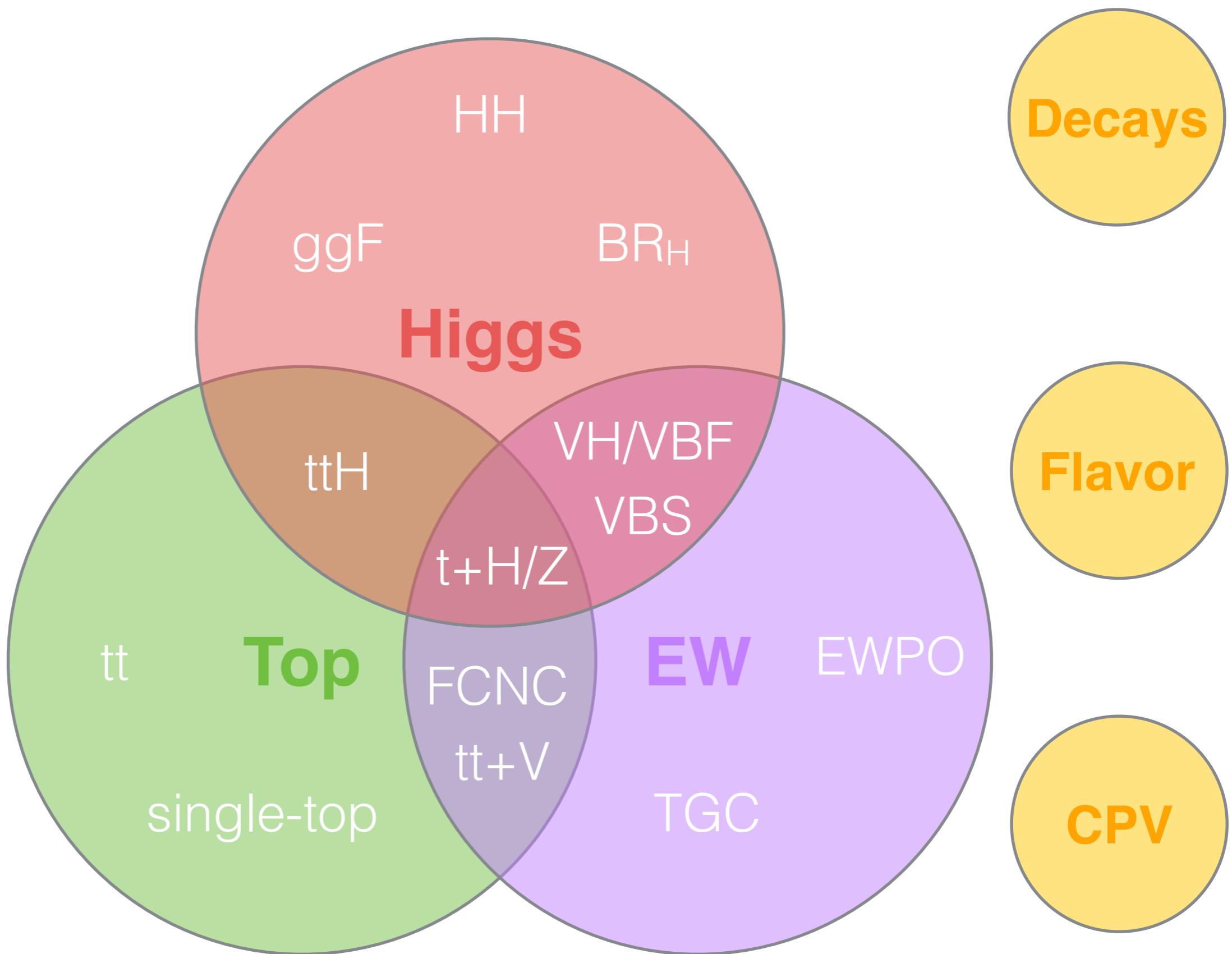
- In the SM: 59 (76 real) - 2499 operators depending on assumptions regarding CP/flavour structure etc.

[Buchmuller & Wyler; Nucl.Phys. B268 (1986) 621]  
[Grzadkowski et al.; JHEP 1010 (2010) 085]

- Dimension 8 now known  $\sim 895$  (36971) operators!

[Lehman et al.; PRD 91 (2015) 105014]  
[Henning et al.; Commun.Math.Phys. 347 (2016) no.2, 363-388 & arXiv:1512.03433 ]

# SMEFT @ the LHC: key players



# SM(Higgs)-EFT

- Single Higgs state of the art @ fixed order:
  - Yukawa & HGG ops. (NNLO+NNLL) [Grazzini et al.; arXiv:1705.05143]
  - Top chromomagnetic op. (NLO) [Deutschmann et al.; arXiv:1705.05143]
- Public codes with partial SMEFT contributions @ NLO
  - HiGlu [Spira; arXiv:hep-ph/9510347]
  - SusHi (aMC-SusHi) [Harlander, Liebler & Mantler; arXiv:1605.03190]
- Double Higgs
  - HPAIR [Dawson, Dittmaier & Spira; Phys. Rev. D58:115012]
  - HiggsPair (HERWIG++) [Goertz et al.; JHEP 1504 (2015) 167]
- eHDECAY for BR [Contino et al.; Comp. Phys. Comm. 185 (2014) 3412-3423]
- Full 1-loop  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow bb$  [Hartmann & Trott; PRL 115 (2015) 191801]  
[Gauld, Scott & Pecjak; PRD 94 (2016) 074045]

# SM(Top+X)-EFT

- Most developed sector of SMEFT@NLO in QCD
  - Top-Higgs-W/Z couplings/masses are related in SM: **unitarity cancellations**
  - “Indirectly” relevant for multi-boson interactions
- **Coloured** sector, strongly coupled to the Higgs
  - Large corrections to inclusive rates ( $\sim 1$  K-factors)
  - Non-trivial **shape corrections** at differential level
  - Non-trivial **renormalisation/operator mixing**
- Selection of studies
  - ttH [Maltoni, Vryonidou & Zhang; JHEP 1610 (2016) 123]
  - tt+Z/ $\gamma$  [Bylund et al.; JHEP 1605 (2016) 052]  
[Zhang; PRL 116 (2016) 162002]
  - single top [Degrande et al.; PRD 91 (2015) 034024]
  - top FCNC [Durieux, Maltoni & Zhang; PRD 91 (2015) 074017]

UFO models  
available upon  
request

# ttH in SMEFT

$$\mathcal{O}_{t\varphi} = (\varphi^\dagger \varphi) (\bar{Q}_L \tilde{\varphi} t_R)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi G} = (\varphi^\dagger \varphi) G_{\mu\nu}^A G_A^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{tG} = (\bar{Q}_L \sigma_{\mu\nu} T^A t_R) \tilde{\varphi} G_A^{\mu\nu}$$

- Operators involving the top/Higgs/gluon
  - gg→H & tt production partly constrain the Wilson coefficient space
  - ttH is the only direct probe of the Top-Higgs interaction
  - In principle 3-gluon  $\mathcal{O}_G$  and 4 fermion operators also contribute but turn out to be better constrained by tt and multi-jet measurements
- Predictions for ttH and HH production presented
  - First inclusion of chromomagnetic dipole operator for HH
  - Demonstration of non-trivial K-factors at differential level
  - Comparison of RG improved vs. full NLO (finite terms important)

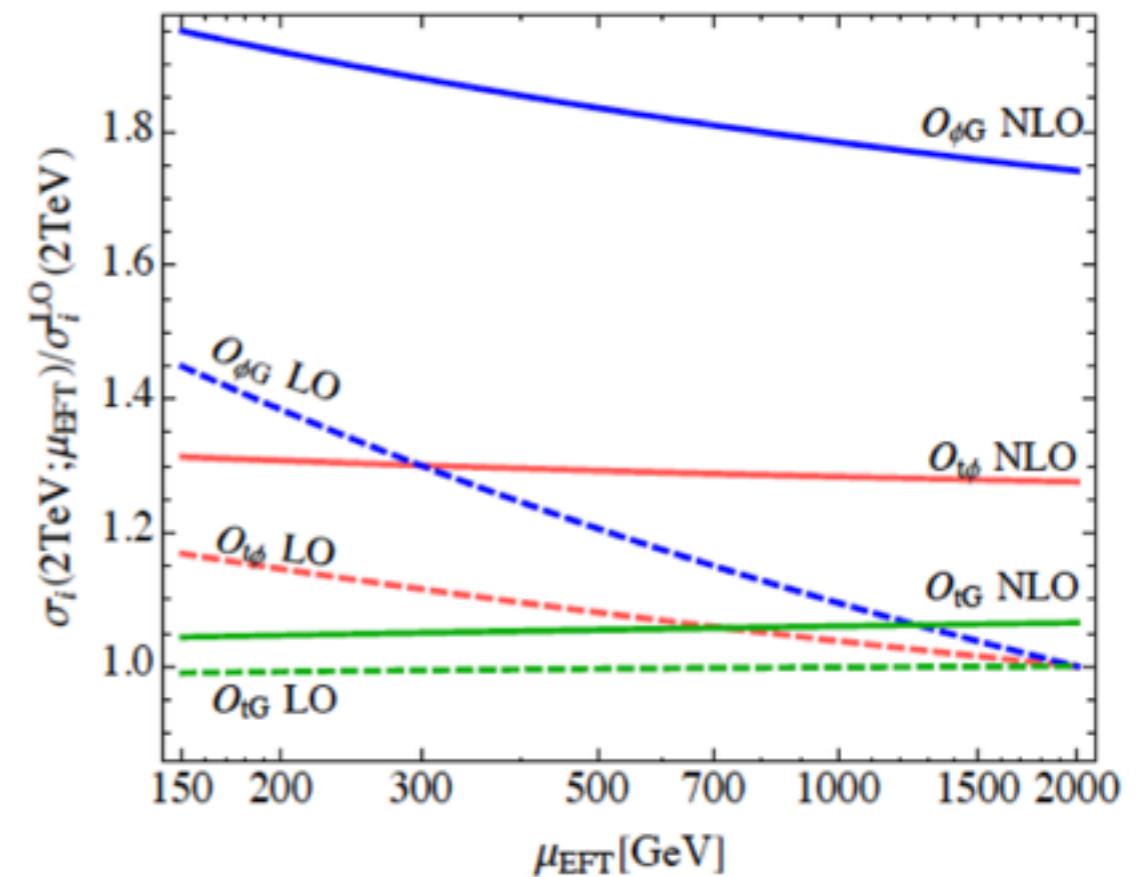
# ttH in SMEFT

- Different K-factors among SM/dim-6 operators
- Large  $\Lambda^4$  effects in both shape & normalisation
  - Tied to the question of EFT validity w.r.t to truncation at dim-6
  - Scenarios where “EFT-squared” terms are large but energy is below cutoff
  - Treatment on a case-by-case basis

c.f. talk by  
A. Pomarol

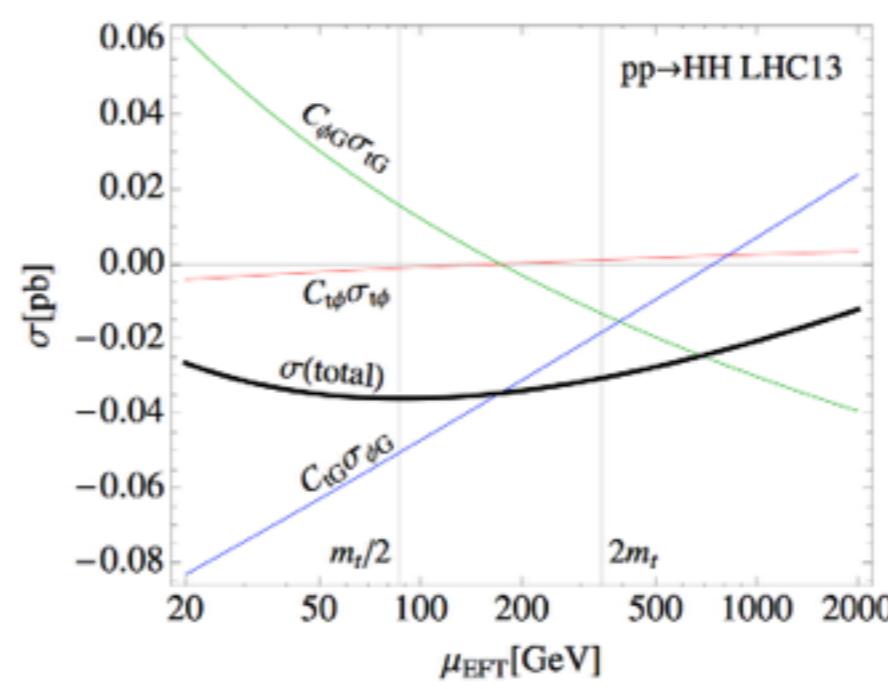
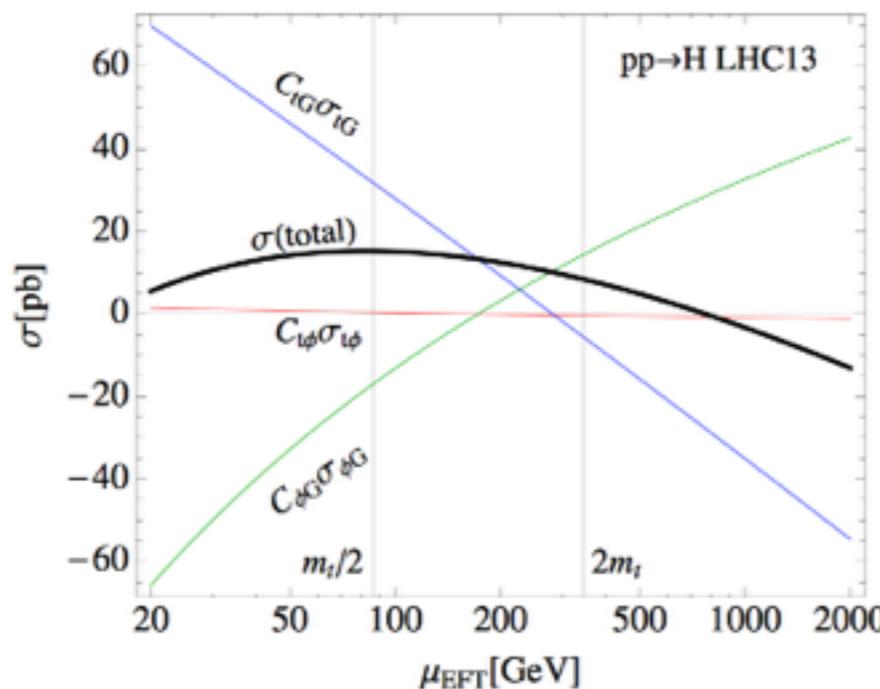
$$c_i c_j \frac{E^4}{\Lambda^4} > c_i \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2} > 1 > \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

- Stable under scale variation
- Large finite effects: RG improvement underestimates NLO prediction



# EFT scale uncertainty

- NLO calculations use scale uncertainty to approximate missing higher orders in perturbative expansion
  - EFT description contains an additional source of scale dependence from the running/mixing of Wilson coefficients
- Proposal for a scale uncertainty estimate
  - Take  $c_i$  defined at scales  $2\mu_0$  &  $\mu_0/2$  and run back to the central scale



Does not cancel in  
e.g. cross section  
ratios

# SM(Higgs+EW)-EFT

- “Canonical” sector for Higgs studies in SMEFT
- Easier to implement NLO QCD, no RG running
- Implementations build upon previous LO model employing the ‘SILH’ basis of operators
  - SMEFT Basis dependence of HEP tools can be reduced by linear redefinitions using e.g. Rosetta
- Also made use of existing implementations of SM process at NLO

MCFM/ POWHEG-BOX  
WH & ZH (incl.  $gg \rightarrow ZH$ )  
(in backup)

FeynRules/NLOCT UFO model  
via Madgraph5\_aMC@NLO  
WH & VBF

# EW Higgs production

- EFT effects in EW production mechanisms for the Higgs: VH & VBF
  - A small number of relevant & uncoloured operators at D=6 in SM-EFT
  - LHC can provide complementary information to existing fits to lower energy data, i.e. LEP
  - Higgs comes with some additional objects from which we can construct kinematic quantities probing the high energy regime
  - VH: Higgs  $p_T$ ,  $M_{VH}$ , leading lepton  $p_T$ ,...
  - VBF: Higgs  $p_T$ ,  $\Delta\eta_{jj}$ , total  $H_T$ ,...
- Investigate validity of EFT expansion given current constraints from global fits
- Future reach of HL-LHC

# SILH operators

- SMEFT: Higgs-EW gauge boson operators in SILH basis

$$\mathcal{L}_{D6} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left[ \frac{g'^2}{4} \bar{c}_{BB} \Phi^\dagger \Phi B^{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu} + \frac{ig}{2} \bar{c}_W [\Phi^\dagger T_{2k} \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi] D^\nu W_{\mu\nu}^k + \frac{ig'}{2} \bar{c}_B [\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi] \partial^\nu B_{\mu\nu} \right. \\ \left. + ig \bar{c}_{HW} [D^\mu \Phi^\dagger T_{2k} D^\nu \Phi] W_{\mu\nu}^k + ig' \bar{c}_{HB} [D^\mu \Phi^\dagger D^\nu \Phi] B_{\mu\nu} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{g'^2}{4} \tilde{c}_{BB} \Phi^\dagger \Phi B^{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu} + ig \tilde{c}_{HW} [D^\mu \Phi^\dagger T_{2k} D^\nu \Phi] \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^k + ig' \tilde{c}_{HB} [D^\mu \Phi^\dagger D^\nu \Phi] \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu} \right]$$

$$\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi \equiv (D^\mu \Phi^\dagger) \Phi - \Phi^\dagger (D^\mu \Phi)$$

linear map

- Anomalous couplings: new Lorentz structures (1) & (2):

$$\mathcal{L}_{HAC} = -\frac{1}{4} g_{hzz}^{(1)} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} h - g_{hzz}^{(2)} Z_\nu \partial_\mu Z^{\mu\nu} h + \frac{1}{2} g_{hzz}^{(3)} Z_\mu Z^\mu h - \frac{1}{4} \tilde{g}_{hzz} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{Z}^{\mu\nu} h \\ - \frac{1}{2} g_{hww}^{(1)} W^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^\dagger h - [g_{hww}^{(2)} W^\nu \partial^\mu W_{\mu\nu}^\dagger h + \text{h.c.}] + g_{hww}^{(3)} W_\mu W^{\dagger\mu} h - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}_{hww} W^{\mu\nu} \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^\dagger h \\ - \frac{1}{2} g_{haz}^{(1)} Z_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} h - g_{haz}^{(2)} Z_\nu \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} h - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}_{haz} Z_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} h$$

(+ Higgs-fermion current operators not included here)

# Contact interactions

- Not commonly considered for EW production
  - Also affect V-f-f vertices: constrained by previous experiments e.g. LEP
  - Not all of them much more than LHC/LEP constraints on  $(c_w, c_B, C_{HW}, C_{HB})$
  - Flavour matrices: FCNC, ... interplay between LHC and other experiments
  - How much can they impact VH, VBF at the LHC given existing constraints or conversely, whether LHC can be complementary

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_C = & \frac{i\bar{c}_{HQ}}{v^2} [\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu Q_L] [\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \Phi] + \frac{4i\bar{c}'_{HQ}}{v^2} [\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu T_{2k} Q_L] [\Phi^\dagger T^{2k} \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \Phi] \\ & + \frac{i\bar{c}_{Hu}}{v^2} [\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu u_R] [\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \Phi] + \frac{i\bar{c}_{Hd}}{v^2} [\bar{d}_R \gamma^\mu Q_R] [\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \Phi] - \left[ \frac{i\bar{c}_{Hud}}{v^2} [\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu Q_R] [\tilde{\Phi}^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \Phi] + \text{h.c.} \right]\end{aligned}$$

+ lepton currents (some of which affect SM inputs)

Only HiggsPO includes these so far at NLO in QCD

# SM inputs

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{O}_H &= \frac{\bar{c}_H}{2} \partial_\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \partial^\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \\ &= \frac{\bar{c}_H}{\Lambda^2} \frac{v^2}{2} \partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h + \mathcal{O}(h^3, h^2)\end{aligned}$$

$$h \rightarrow h(1 + \delta h), \quad \delta h = -\frac{\bar{c}_H}{\Lambda^2} \frac{v^2}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{O}_W|_{\Phi=\langle\Phi\rangle} &= \frac{ig}{2} \bar{c}_W \left[ \Phi^\dagger T_{2k} \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi \right] D^\nu W_{\mu\nu}^k|_{\Phi=\langle\Phi\rangle} \\ &= \frac{gv^2}{16} \bar{c}_W \left[ 2g W_+^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^- + g(W_3^{\mu\nu} - g' B^{\mu\nu}) W_{\mu\nu}^3 \right] + \text{aGC} \\ W_\pm^\mu &\rightarrow W_\pm^\mu [1 + \delta W] \\ B^\mu &\rightarrow B^\mu [1 + \delta B] + y W_3^\mu \\ W_3^\mu &\rightarrow W_3^\mu [1 + \delta W] + z B^\mu\end{aligned}$$

- After EWSB, canonical mass eigenbasis, different from SM
  - Perform field redefinitions to fix their normalisation
  - Gauge coupling redefinitions can absorb part of the resulting modifications
  - Modifications of gauge bosons masses, interactions, e.g.,  $Z \rightarrow ff$
  - Modifications to the SM parameters as a function of EW inputs
  - Can also affect backgrounds
- Not all tools take these into account
  - Various choices can be made that are all equivalent up to dimension-6

# Limits from global fits

- A number of global fits to data deriving constraints on EFT Wilson coefficients have been performed
  - LHC, LEP & other low-energy experiments
- Marginalised constraints from EWPO + LHC Run 1 data on coefficients of interest

[Sanz et al.; JHEP 1503 (2015) 157]

Operator	Coefficient	Constraints	
$\mathcal{O}_W = \frac{ig}{2} \left( H^\dagger T_{2k} \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}{}^\mu H \right) D^\nu W_{\mu\nu}^k$	$\frac{m_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \left( \frac{\bar{c}_W}{2} - \bar{c}_B \right)$	(-0.035, 0.005)	
$\mathcal{O}_B = \frac{ig'}{2} \left( H^\dagger \overset{\leftrightarrow}{D}{}^\mu H \right) \partial^\nu B_{\mu\nu}$	$\frac{m_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \left( \frac{\bar{c}_W}{2} + \bar{c}_B \right)$	(-0.0033, 0.0018)	stronger & weaker directions
$\mathcal{O}_{HW} = ig(D^\mu H)^\dagger T_{2k} (D^\nu H) W_{\mu\nu}^k$	$\frac{m_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \bar{c}_{HW}$	(-0.07, 0.03)	
$\mathcal{O}_{HB} = ig'(D^\mu H)^\dagger (D^\nu H) B_{\mu\nu}$	$\frac{m_W^2}{\Lambda^2} \bar{c}_{HB}$	(-0.045, 0.075)	

See also: [Falkowski & Riva; JHEP 1502 (2015) 039], [Berthier & Trott; JHEP 1505 (2015) 024], [Corbett et al.; JHEP 1508 (2015) 156], [Englert et al.; EPJC 76 (2016) 7, 393]

# EFT Benchmarks

- To showcase the usage of both implementations, we select points in  $c_W, c_{HW}$  parameter space that:
  - Approximately saturate these limits
  - Select particular Lorentz structures in the new vertices
  - Are also motivated from a BSM point of view
- Tightly constrained direction in  $(c_B, c_W)$  forces  $c_B \sim -c_W/2$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{new}} = -\frac{1}{4}g_{hvv}^{(1)}V_{\mu\nu}V^{\mu\nu}h - g_{hvv}^{(2)}V_\nu\partial_\mu V^{\mu\nu}h$$

- We pick benchmark points that, e.g., single out:

I)  $V_\nu\partial_\mu V^{\mu\nu}h : g_{hvv}^{(1)} = 0, g_{hvv}^{(2)} \neq 0 \rightarrow \bar{c}_{HW} = 0, \bar{c}_W \neq 0$

II)  $V_{\mu\nu}V^{\mu\nu}h : g_{hvv}^{(2)} = 0, g_{hvv}^{(1)} \neq 0 \rightarrow \bar{c}_W = -\bar{c}_{HW}$

# EFT Benchmarks

- Pattern II) is a feature of matching conditions that arise in a large class of UV completions, e.g. 2HDM

[Gorbahn, No & Sanz; JHEP 1510 (2015) 036]

- Constraints then become tighter:

$$c_{HW} = -\bar{c}_W = (0.0008, 0.04)$$

- Summary of benchmarks used, roughly compatible with current limits

POWHEG/MCFM	$\bar{c}_{HW}$	$\bar{c}_W$	$\bar{c}_B$	$g_{hvv}^{(1)}$	$g_{hvv}^{(2)}$
I	0	0.008	0	X	✓
II	0.008	-0.008	0	✓	X
MG5_aMC					
A	0.03	0	0	✓	✓
B	0.03	-0.03	0.015	✓	X

# Selection of results

- WH, VBF in FR+NLOCT/Madgraph5\_aMC@NLO
- Used PYTHIA8 for Higgs decay, PS and Hadronisation
  - Rescaled rates by eHDECAY BRs to capture EFT contributions
- Events were reconstructed using Fastjet thanks to MadAnalysis5 “reco” mode and analysed according to some realistic event selection procedure also in MA5
- Theoretical uncertainties due to scale variation were quantified but not PDF uncertainties
  - Envelope of 9 combinations of  $(1/2, 2) \times \mu_0$
- See backups for ZH in POWHEG-BOX/MCFM, including SM  $gg \rightarrow ZH$

# HELatNLO

<http://feynrules.irmp.ucl.ac.be/wiki/HELatNLO>

- SMEFT implementation in FeynRules + NLOCT framework
  - Simulation performed with MadGraph5\_aMC@NLO ~ any process!
  - First results for VBF in SMEFT @ NLO in QCD
- Includes 5 operators affecting Higgs couplings to  $W/Z/\gamma$ 
  - First step for EW Higgs production
- Modification of EW parameters taken into account in the  $(m_Z, \alpha_s, G_F)$  input scheme

# Simulation

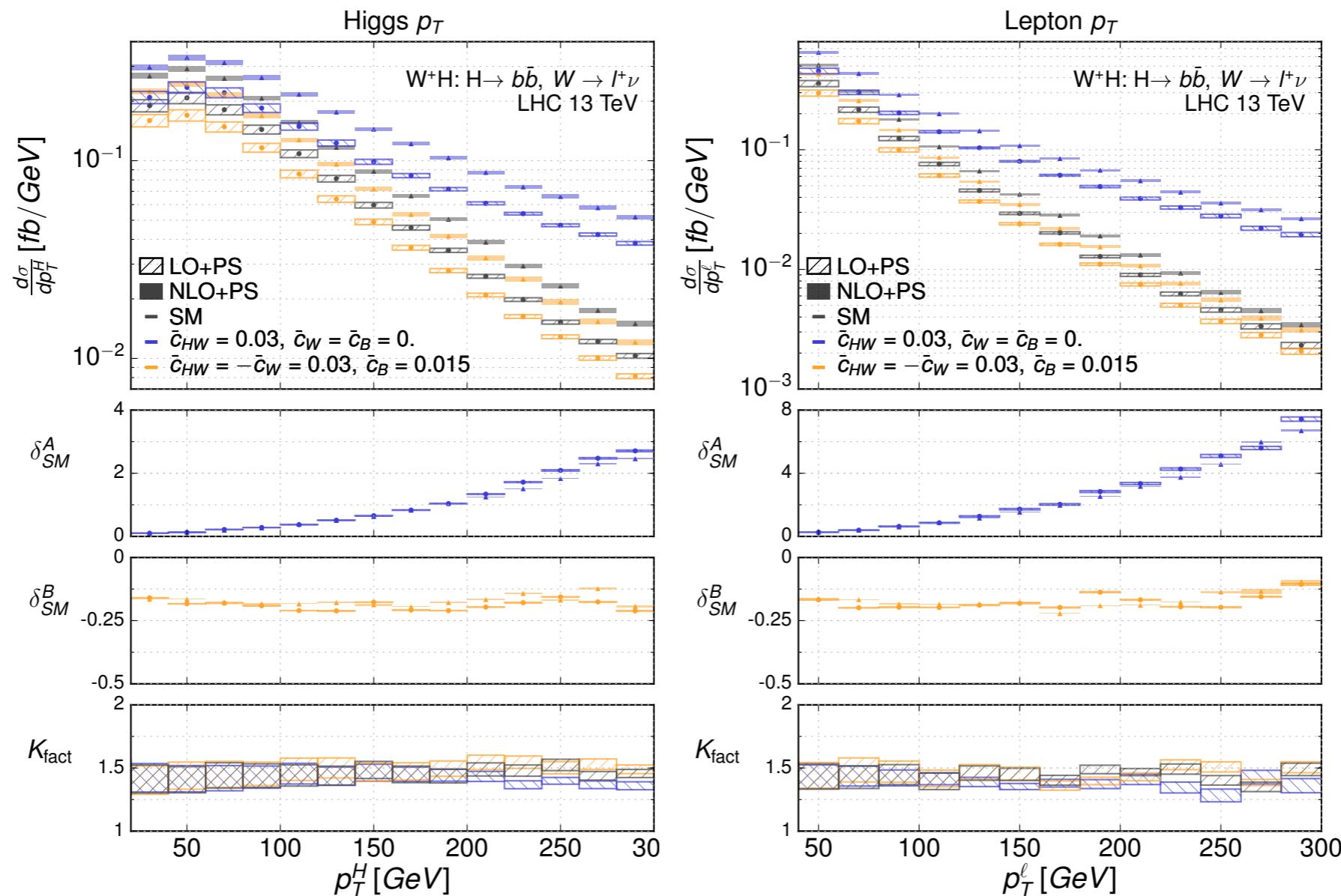
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generate p p > h ve e+ [QCD]
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- For WH: Higgs  $\rightarrow$  bb & for VBF: Higgs  $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Made use of MG5 feature to select only interference terms for comparison (LO only)
  - Specify coupling order squared , e.g., “NP $^2<=2$ ” to get interference
  - Naive measure of “validity” of EFT interpretation
  - MG5\_aMC reweighting technology can upgrade this to NLO
- Validated results against POWHEG-BOX implementation
  - Found reasonable agreement

[KM, Sanz, Williams; JHEP 1608 (2016) 039]

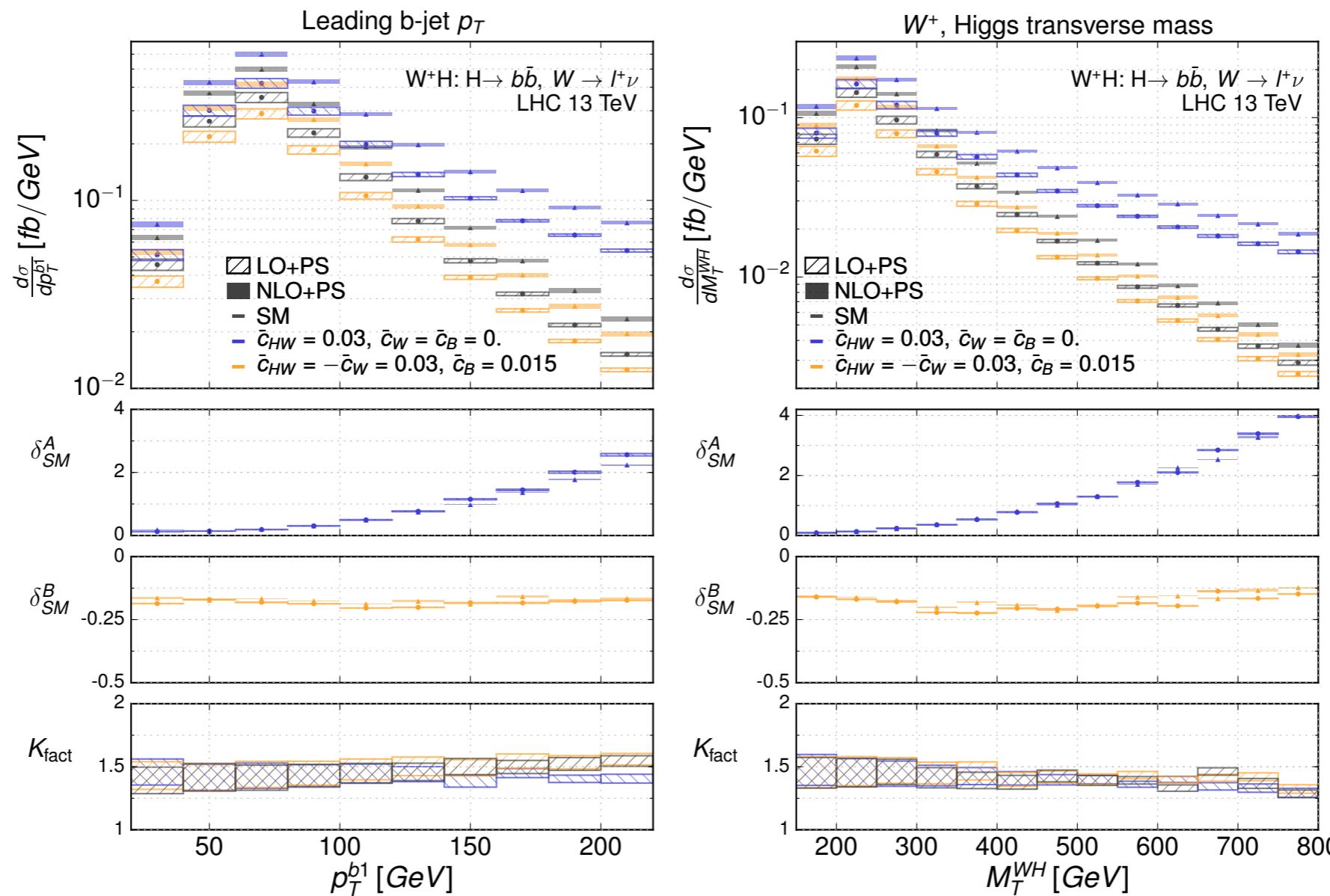
pp  $\rightarrow$  W<sup>+</sup> H  $\rightarrow$  l<sup>+</sup> ν bb

Benchmarks correspond to ‘large’ values of Wilson coefficients as described in previous analysis since they saturate current limits



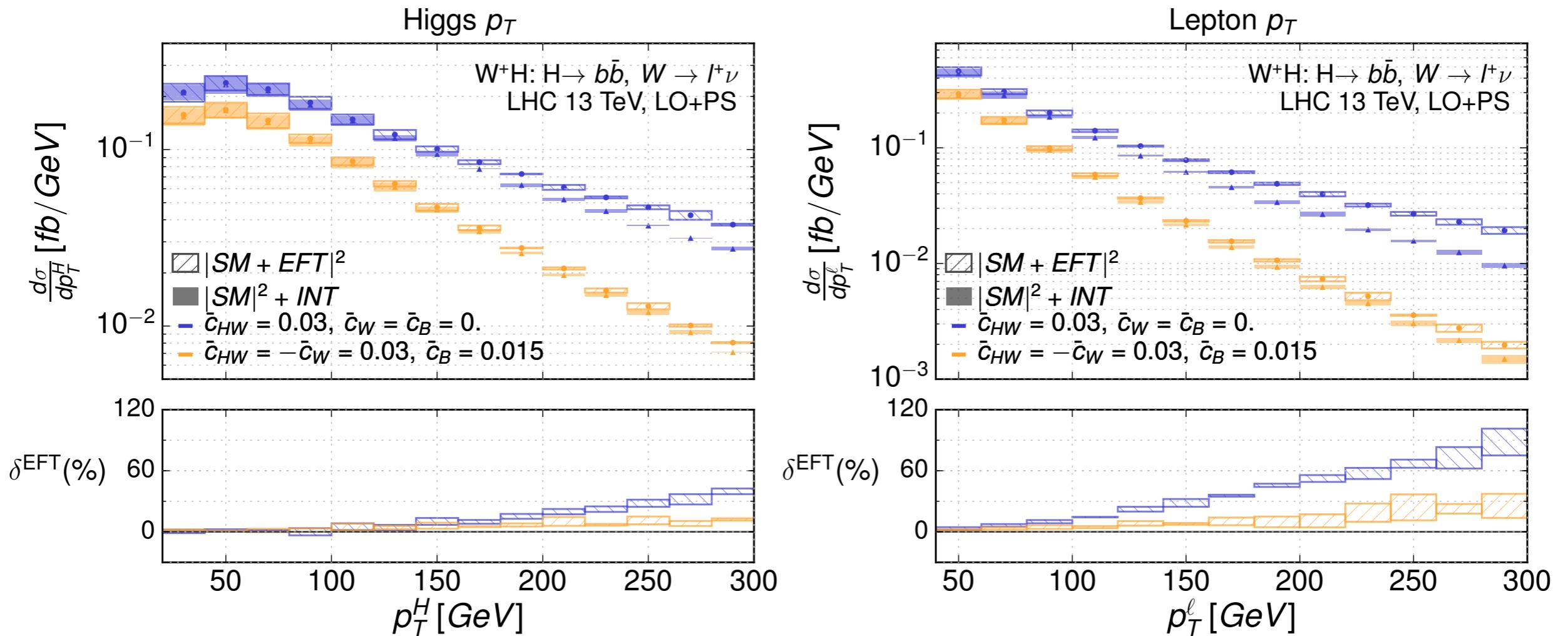


Benchmark **B**) does not exhibit strong “EFT” features  
The g<sub>hvv</sub><sup>(2)</sup> Lorentz structure is responsible for these



# Interference only (LO)

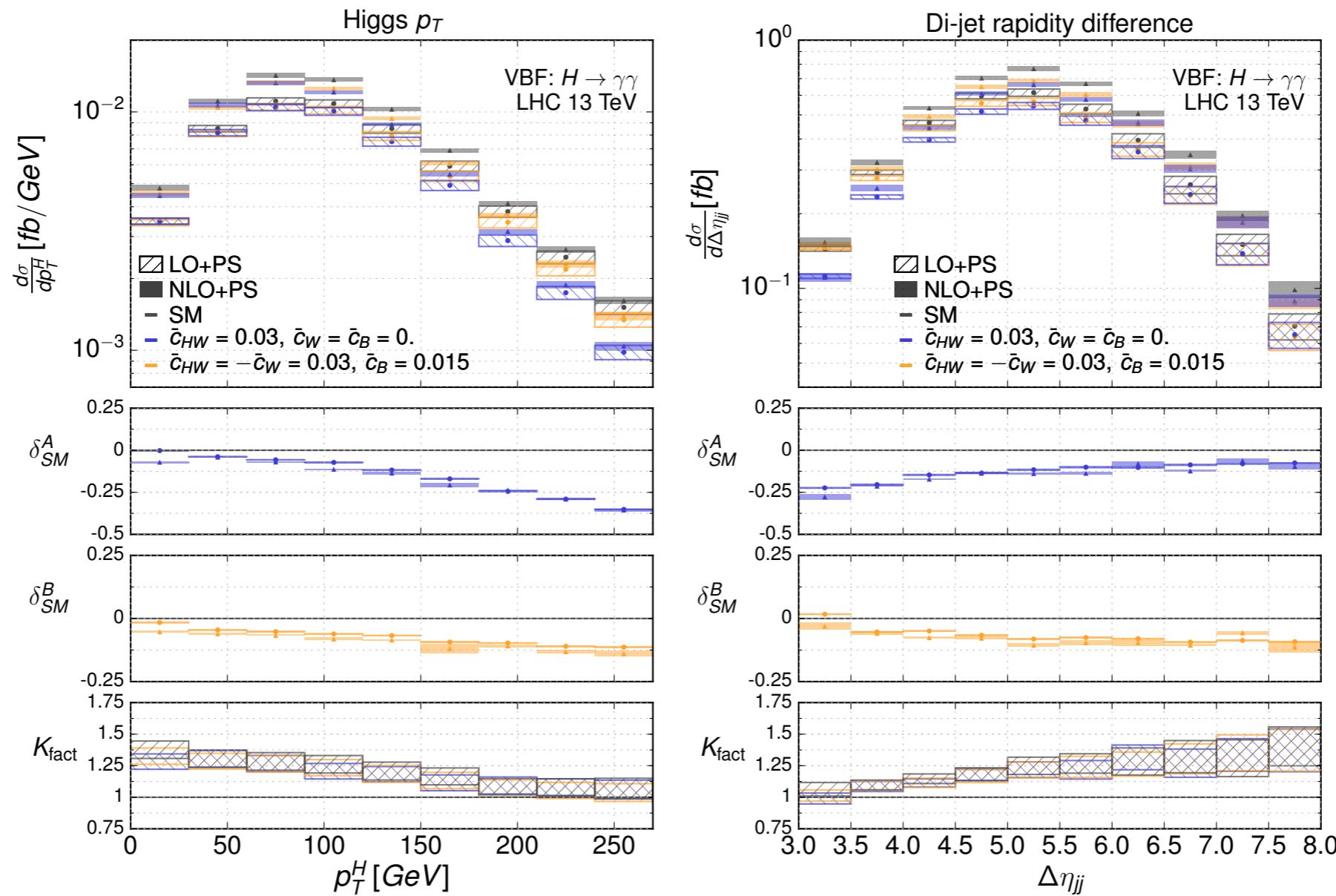
40-80% difference for benchmarks saturating current limits  
 A possible way to define an additional theory uncertainty?  
 LHC8 + EWPO not perfect for EFT interpretation of  $c_W, c_{HW}$





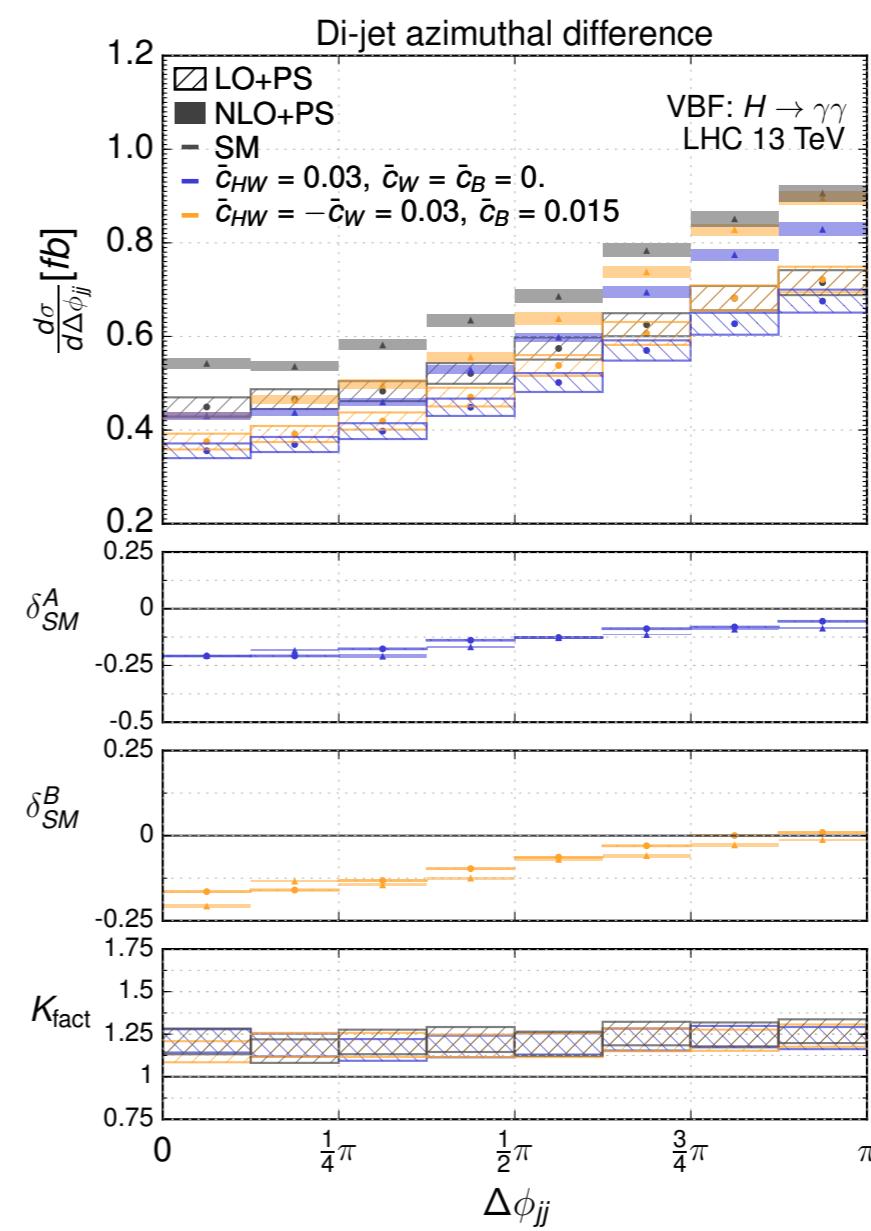
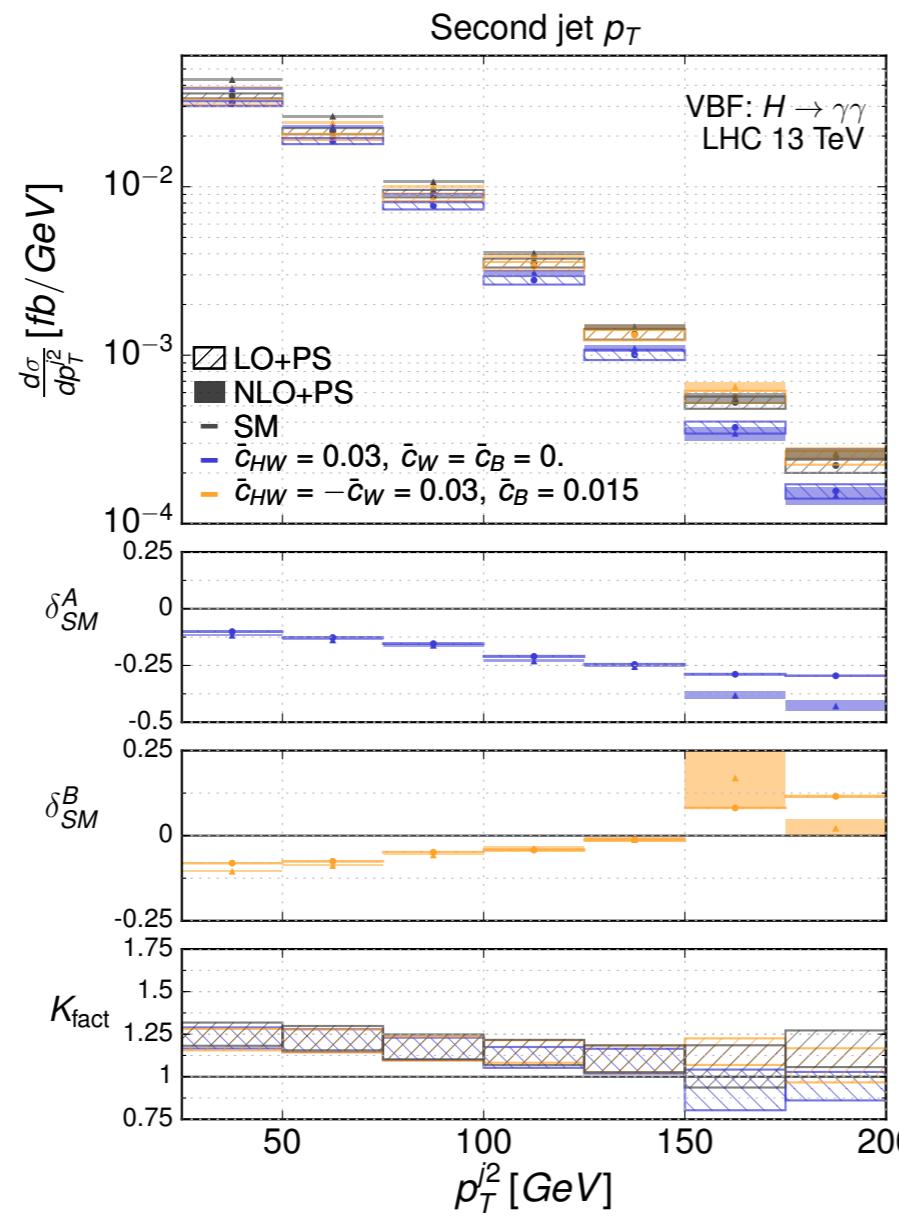
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Used a fixed scale of  $m_W$  as suggested by literature



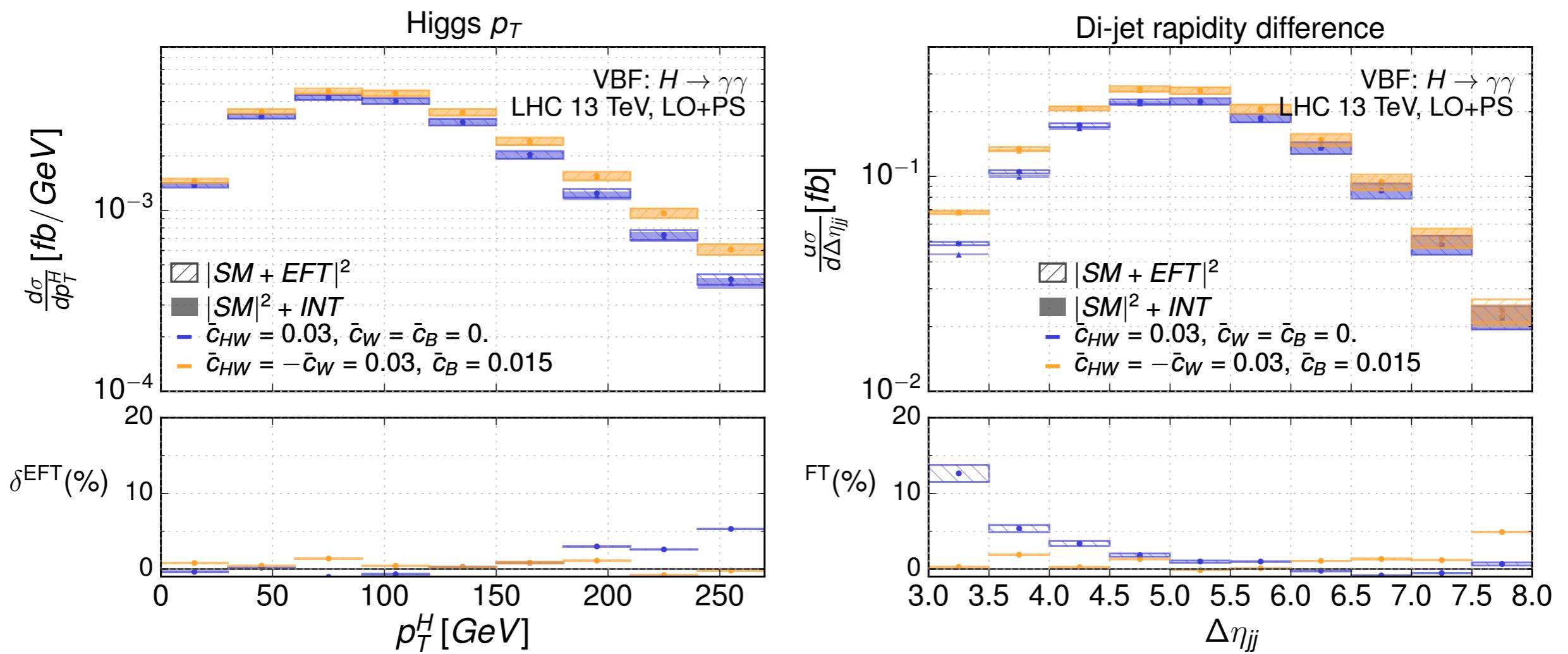
pp  $\rightarrow$  H jj  $\rightarrow$   $\gamma\gamma$  jj

Generally smaller effects of order 25-50% present,  
sensitivity to benchmark B. Correlating VH & VBF  
may help disentangle this coupling structure.



# Interference only (LO)

Interference vs. square much more under control.  
 ~10% difference

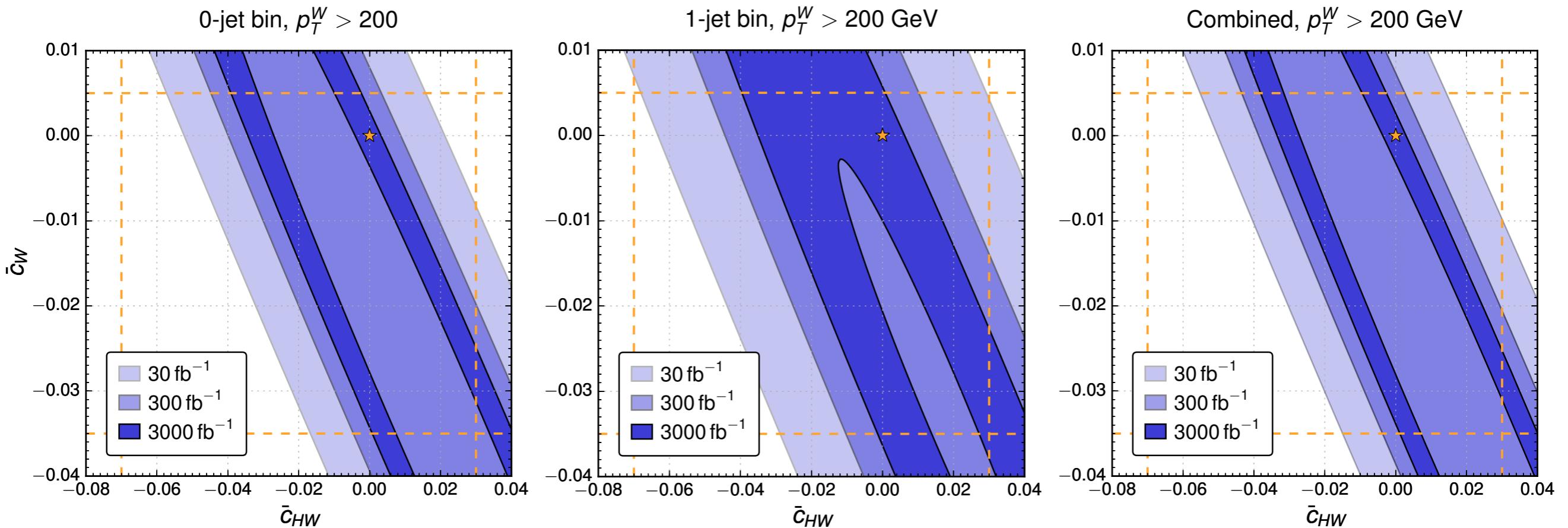


# HL-LHC prospects in VH

- 8 & 13 TeV analyses searching for  $VH \rightarrow llbb$ 
  - Large fit to many signal & control regions with some floating backgrounds
  - 13 TeV uses multivariate methods = **difficult to recast** without further info
- Performed a **naive** projection of the LHC 8 TeV analysis
  - Conservative with respect to the more sophisticated methods that will likely be employed in future updates in this channel
- Signal region:  $P_T(W) > 200$  GeV overflow bin in the single lepton channel (WH)
  - Background: determine the change in acceptance x efficiency for the dominant ttbar background from 8 to 13 TeV
  - Rescale fitted background in 8 TeV analysis to estimate yield at 13 TeV

# HL-LHC prospects in VH

- Early LHC data should already improve global fits
- Per-mille sensitivity to  $c_{HW}, c_W$  with  $3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$
- Only a couple of bins in a single channel



# Future

- Several separate implementations of SMEFT operators in different sectors now exist
- Working on a “merge” of these to obtain a complete SMEFT model at NLO in QCD
  - Full set of operators contributing to EW/Higgs/top processes
  - Currently at testing/validation stage
  - Validation of anomalous dimension matrix calculation
- Basis independent predictions will be accessible via Rosetta translation tool <http://rosetta.hepforge.org>
- Ultimate goal is to incorporate NLO QCD corrections in a global fit to LHC + low energy data

# SMEFT@NLO in QCD

- Merger of HELatNLO and Top/Higgs-EFT
  - Use Warsaw basis but basis independent input choice will be provided by Rosetta (also preparing an MG5\_aMC plugin)
  - No four-fermion operators (except leptonic one modifying  $G_F$ )

	Gauge/Higgs			
Higgs vev & kinetic term	$\mathcal{O}_\varphi$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^3$	–	–
$m_Z$ (cust. sym.)	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi\square}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi) \square (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)$	–	–
Gauge/Higgs & gauge kinetic terms/mixing	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi D}$	$(\varphi^\dagger D_\mu \varphi)^\dagger (\varphi^\dagger D_\mu \varphi)$	–	–
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi G}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi G_A^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}^A$	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi \tilde{G}}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi G_A^{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^A$
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi W}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi W_i^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^i$	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi \tilde{W}}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi W_i^{\mu\nu} \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^i$
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi B}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi B^{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi \tilde{B}}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi B^{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu}$
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi WB}$	$\varphi^\dagger \sigma^i \varphi W_i^{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu}$	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi W\tilde{B}}$	$\varphi^\dagger \sigma^i \varphi W_i^{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu}$
Triple gauge,...	$\mathcal{O}_{3W}$	$\epsilon^{ijk} W_{i,\mu\nu} W_j^{\nu\rho} W_{k,\rho}^\mu$	$\mathcal{O}_{3\tilde{W}}$	$\epsilon^{ijk} \tilde{W}_{i,\mu\nu} W_j^{\nu\rho} W_{k,\rho}^\mu$

CP violation

# SMEFT@NLO in QCD

- Work in “minimal flavor violating” hypothesis, keeping only the top Yukawa to begin with [D’Ambrosio et al.; Nucl. Phys. B645 (2002) 155]

	Top
Yukawa	$\mathcal{O}_{t\varphi} (\varphi^\dagger \varphi) (\bar{Q} t) \tilde{\varphi}$
Dipole	$\mathcal{O}_{tG} (\bar{Q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} T^A t) \tilde{\varphi} G_A^{\mu\nu}$
Current-current	$\mathcal{O}_{tW} (\bar{Q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \sigma^i t) \tilde{\varphi} W_i^{\mu\nu}$
RH charged current	$\mathcal{O}_{tB} (\bar{Q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} t) \tilde{\varphi} B^{\mu\nu}$
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi Q}^{(3)} i(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^i \varphi) (\bar{Q} \gamma^\mu \sigma_i Q)$
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi Q}^{(1)} i(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi) (\bar{Q} \gamma^\mu Q)$
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi t} i(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi) (\bar{t} \gamma^\mu t)$
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi b} i(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi) (\bar{b} \gamma^\mu b)$
	$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi tb} i(\tilde{\varphi} D_\mu \varphi) (\bar{b} \gamma^\mu t)$

$\propto y_t$

ttV, single top, EW  
 Higgs production.  
 Some constraints  
 from, e.g. LEP/flavor

[S. Alioli et al.; arXiv:1703.04751]

# SMEFT@NLO in QCD

- Include all operators that affect EW input relations
  - Additionally one leptonic SU(2) current-current and one 4-fermion operator that affect muon decay for  $G_F$  extraction
- Model files for  $(a_{EW}, m_Z, G_F)$  &  $(m_Z, m_W, G_F)$  input schemes
- Validate counter-terms against previous implementations & anomalous dimension matrix
- In progress: pheno analysis of  $tHj/tHZ$  channels which combines two sectors of EFT operators: EW/Higgs & top/Higgs
- Include basis definition in Rosetta to easily map from any input basis + MG5/Rosetta interface

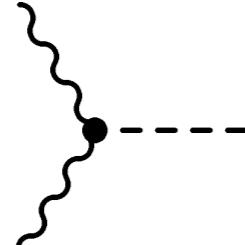
# Conclusion

- We are still not far from the beginning of a long and fruitful programme of Higgs characterisation via EFT
- Current global fits allow room for large EFT deviations and precision is now improving to NLO in QCD+PS A. Butter's talk
- FeynRules/NLOCT framework is being exploited to complete the SMEFT for MC event generation at this order
  - EFT interpretation for all possible processes measurable at the LHC
  - Open to requests for, e.g., dimension-8 multi-boson operators
- Seemingly, benchmarks which saturate current limits can appear slightly beyond the naive “validity” of the EFT
  - Warrants further investigation on a process by process basis

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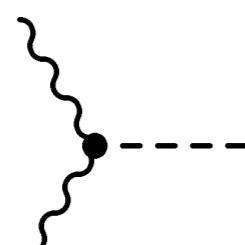
# Feynman Rules

$Z^\mu(p)$



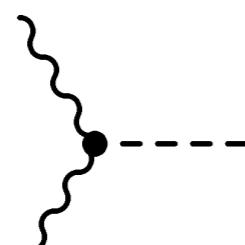
$Z^\nu(q)$

$W_+^\mu(p)$



$W_-^\nu(q)$

$A^\mu(p)$



BSM →

$H$

:

$i \left[ \eta^{\mu\nu} \left( \frac{g}{\cos \theta_W} M_Z + g_{hzz}^{(1)} p \cdot q + g_{hzz}^{(2)} (p^2 + q^2) \right) - g_{hzz}^{(1)} q^\mu p^\nu - \tilde{g}_{hzz} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} q_\rho p_\sigma - g_{hzz}^{(2)} (p^\mu p^\nu + q^\mu q^\nu) \right]$

$i \left[ \eta^{\mu\nu} \left( g M_W + g_{hwu}^{(1)} p \cdot q + g_{hwu}^{(2)} (p^2 + q^2) \right) - g_{hwu}^{(1)} q^\mu p^\nu - \tilde{g}_{hwu} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} q_\rho p_\sigma - g_{hwu}^{(2)} (p^\mu p^\nu + q^\mu q^\nu) \right]$

$i \left[ \eta^{\mu\nu} \left( g_{haz}^{(1)} p \cdot q + g_{haz}^{(2)} p^2 \right) - g_{haz}^{(1)} q^\mu p^\nu - \tilde{g}_{haz} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} q_\rho p_\sigma - g_{haz}^{(2)} p^\mu p^\nu \right]$

# Mapping to AC/(i.e. HC)

Coupling	HEL@NLO
$g_{hzz}^{(1)}$	$\frac{e^2 v}{2\hat{c}_W^2 \hat{s}_W^2} \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} [\hat{c}_W^2 \bar{c}_{HW} + 2\hat{s}_W^2 \bar{c}_{HB} - 2\hat{s}_W^4 \bar{c}_{BB}]$
$g_{hzz}^{(2)}$	$\frac{e^2 v}{4\hat{s}_W^2 \hat{c}_W^2 \Lambda^2} [\hat{c}_W^2 (\bar{c}_{HW} + \bar{c}_W) + 2\hat{s}_W^2 (\bar{c}_B + \bar{c}_{HB})]$
$g_{hzz}^{(3)}$	$\frac{g^2 v}{2\hat{c}_W^2} + \frac{e^4 v^3}{8\hat{c}_W^4 \hat{s}_W^2 \Lambda^2} [\hat{c}_W^2 \bar{c}_W + 2\bar{c}_B]$
$g_{haz}^{(1)}$	$\frac{e^2 v}{4\hat{s}_W \hat{c}_W \Lambda^2} [\bar{c}_{HW} - 2\bar{c}_{HB} + 4\hat{s}_W^2 \bar{c}_{BB}]$
$g_{haz}^{(2)}$	$\frac{e^2 v}{4\hat{s}_W \hat{c}_W \Lambda^2} [\bar{c}_{HW} + \bar{c}_W - 2(\bar{c}_B + \bar{c}_{BB})]$
$g_{hww}^{(1)}$	$\frac{e^2 v}{2\hat{s}_W^2 \Lambda^2} \bar{c}_{HW}$
$g_{hww}^{(2)}$	$\frac{v e^2}{4\Lambda^2 \hat{s}_W^2} [\bar{c}_W + \bar{c}_{HW}]$
$g_{hww}^{(3)}$	$\frac{g^2 v}{2}$

Anomalous couplings (AC) equivalent to  
Higgs Characterisation (HC)

# POWHEG-BOX/MCFM

- Higgs associated production with a leptonically decaying W or Z at NLO in QCD matched to parton shower
  - Include EFT effects via a mapping to AC/HC (also CP violating)
- At NLO, the initial state current factorises from the final state, even when the Higgs decays to b's
  - Drell-Yan-like NLO corrections which are well known
- Builds upon previous work in the SM matched to parton shower in the same framework as well as fixed order predictions including anomalous couplings
- Matrix elements based on MCFM code interfaced with POWHEG-BOX for which the SM process was already implemented

# Simulation (POWHEG)

- For definiteness we specified that the Higgs decay to  $b\bar{b}$ , allowing PYTHIA to perform the decay but scaling the rates by the BR predicted by eHDECAY
- Used CTEQ10 PDFs for NLO predictions and CTEQ6L1 PDFs for LO comparisons
- Modification of EW parameters taken into account in the  $(m_Z, m_W, G_F)$  input scheme
- Scale uncertainty determined by varying  $\mu_R$ ,  $\mu_F$  together around a central scale of  $\mu_0 = m_{VH}$ 
  - Envelope of  $\mu_0/2$  and  $2 \mu_0$

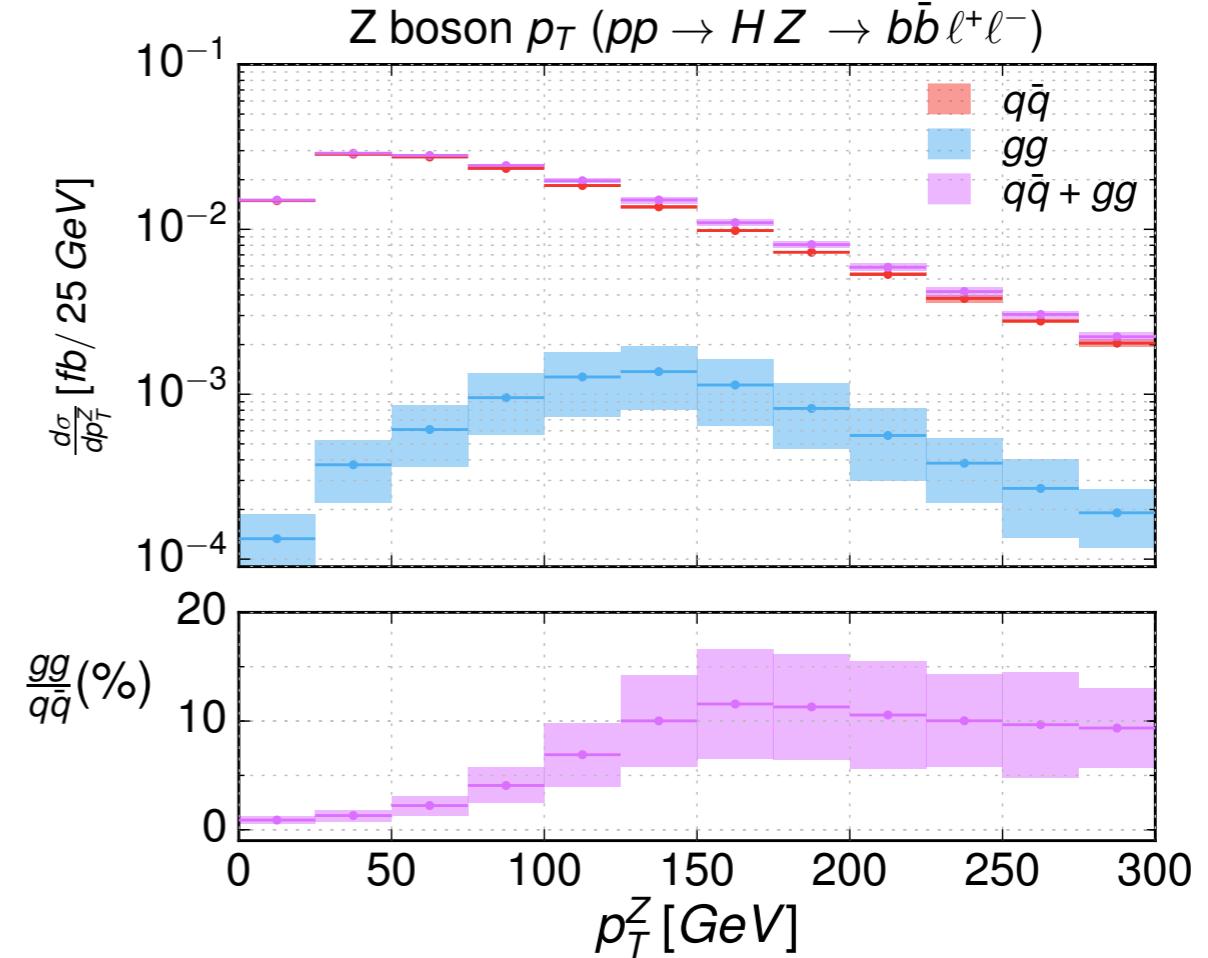
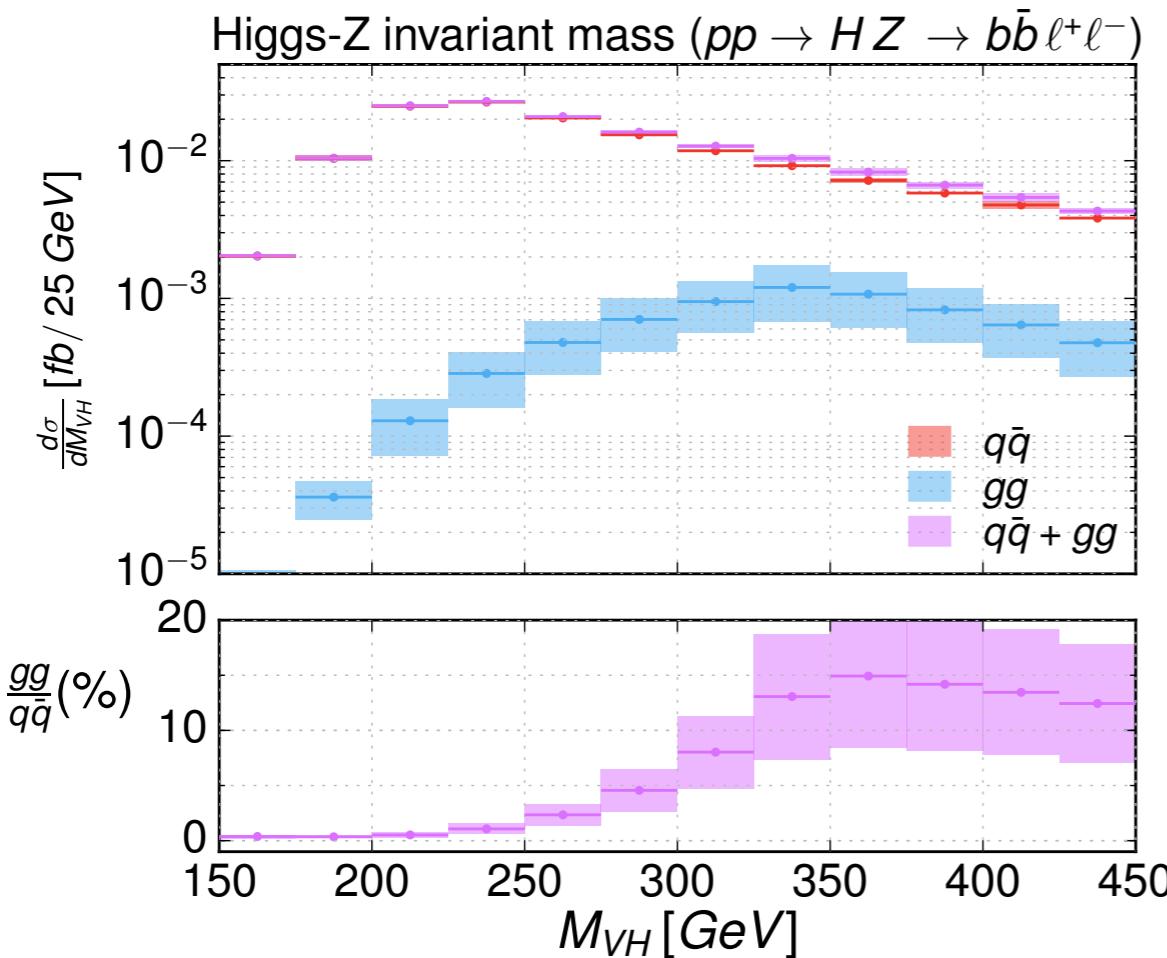
# Selection

Process	
$H Z \rightarrow b\bar{b} \ell^+ \ell^-$	$H W \rightarrow b\bar{b} \ell\nu$
Jets	
$k_T$ algorithm: $\Delta R=0.4$ , $p_T > 25$ GeV & $\eta_b < 2.5$	
Cuts	
2 $b$ -jets, $p_T > 25$ GeV, $\eta_b < 2.5$	
1 lepton, $\ell^\pm$ ( $e$ or $\mu$ )	2 leptons, $\ell^+, \ell^-$ ( $e$ or $\mu$ )
$p_T^\ell < 25$ GeV, $ \eta_\ell  < 2.5$	

MA5 performs  $b$ -jet identification based on truth level jet information (presence of  $b$ -hadrons in jet)

gg → Z H → |+|- bb

- gg initiated process (formally NNLO)
  - Gluon PDF plus kinematics of EFT searches warrant its inclusion
  - Well known to ‘mimic’ EFT effects if not properly taken into account



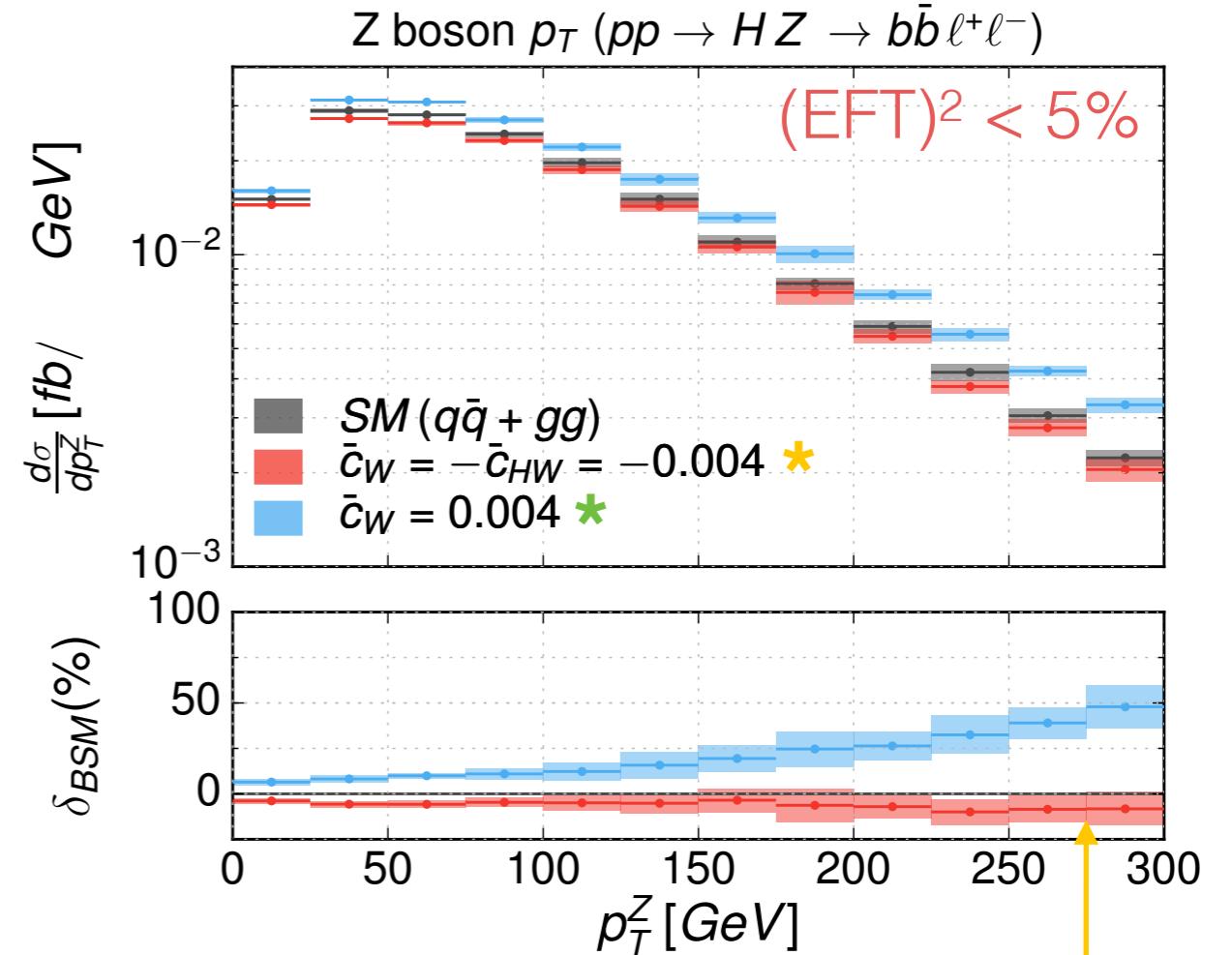
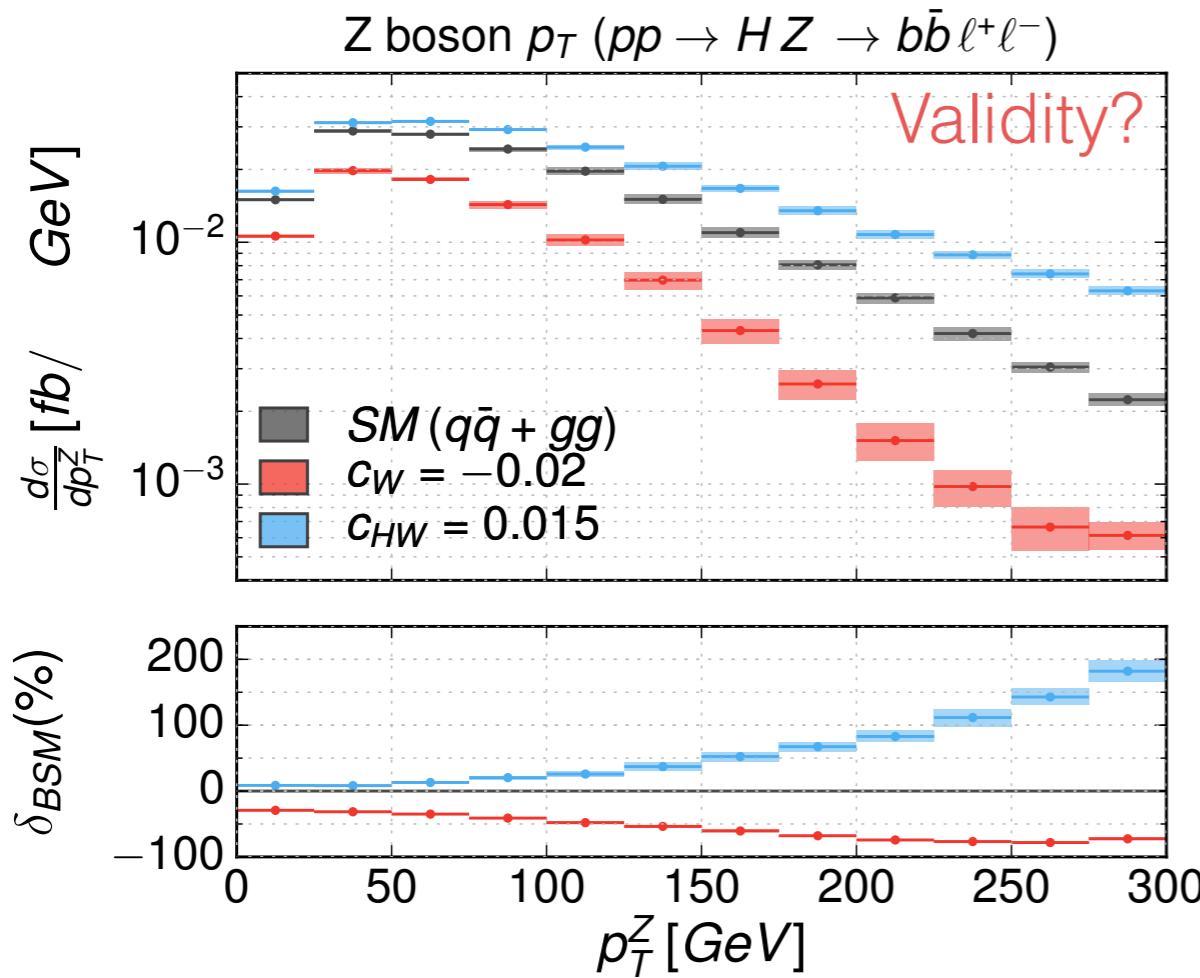
pp  $\rightarrow$  Z H  $\rightarrow$  |+|- bb

$$Z^\mu(p) \text{---} H \text{---} Z^\nu(q)$$

$$i \left[ \frac{g}{\cos \theta_W} M_Z + g_{hzz}^{(1)} (\eta^{\mu\nu} p \cdot q - q^\mu p^\nu) + g_{hzz}^{(2)} ((p^2 + q^2) \eta^{\mu\nu} - p^\mu p^\nu + q^\mu q^\nu) \right]$$

“BM II”                            “BM I”

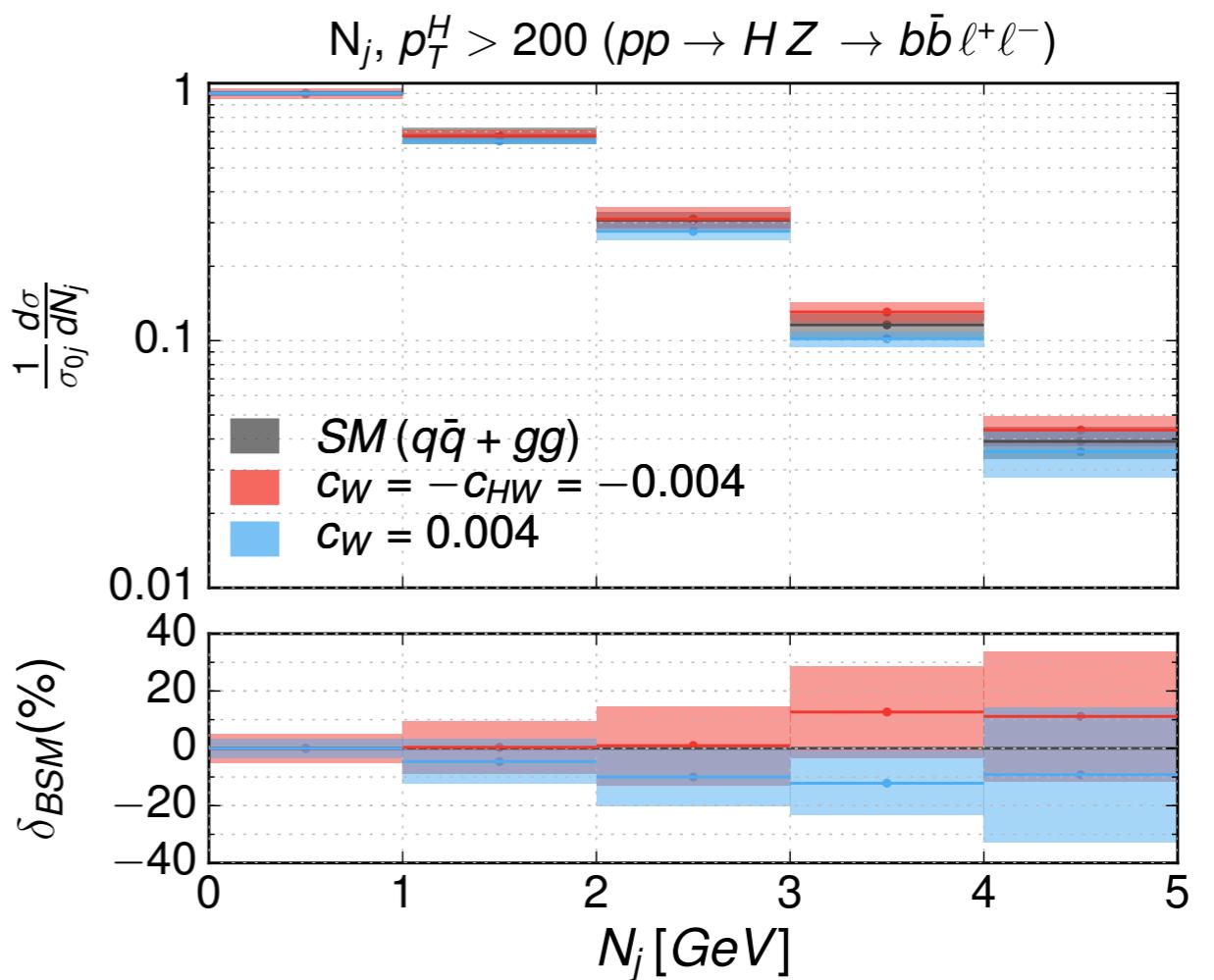
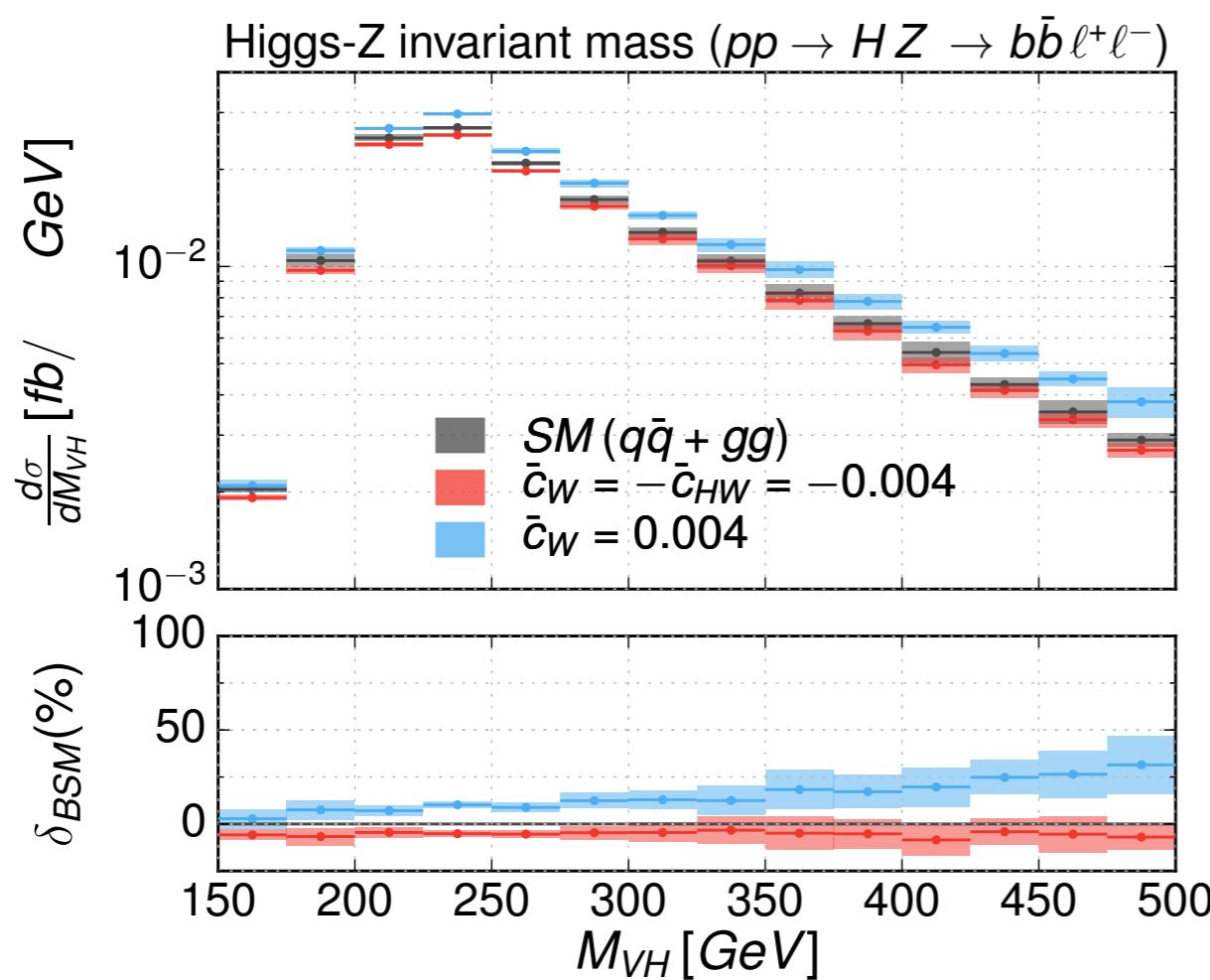
$$g_{hzz}^{(1)} \propto \bar{c}_{HW}, \quad g_{hzz}^{(2)} \propto (\bar{c}_{HW} + \bar{c}_W)$$



\* Benchmark II does not show “EFT-like” features

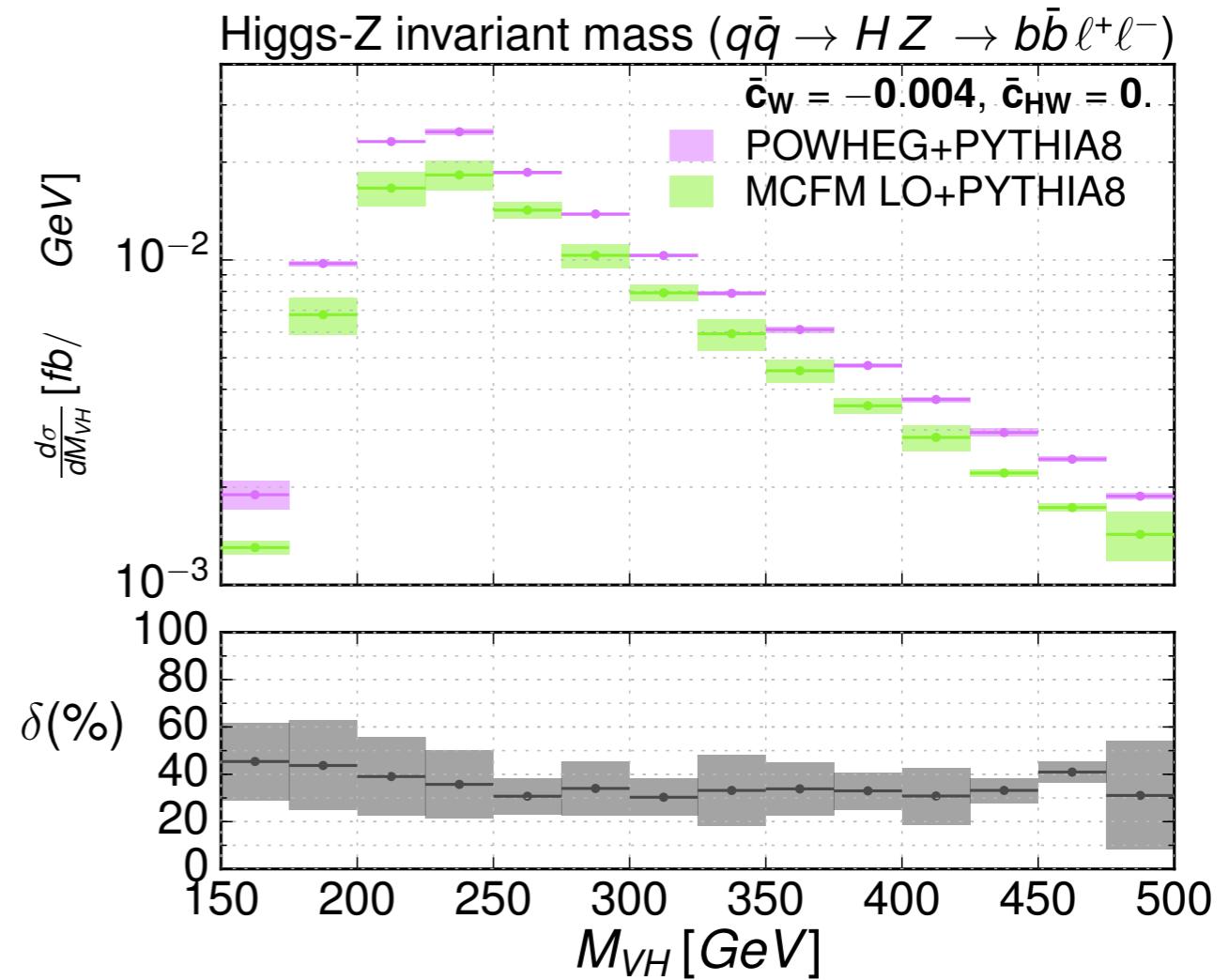
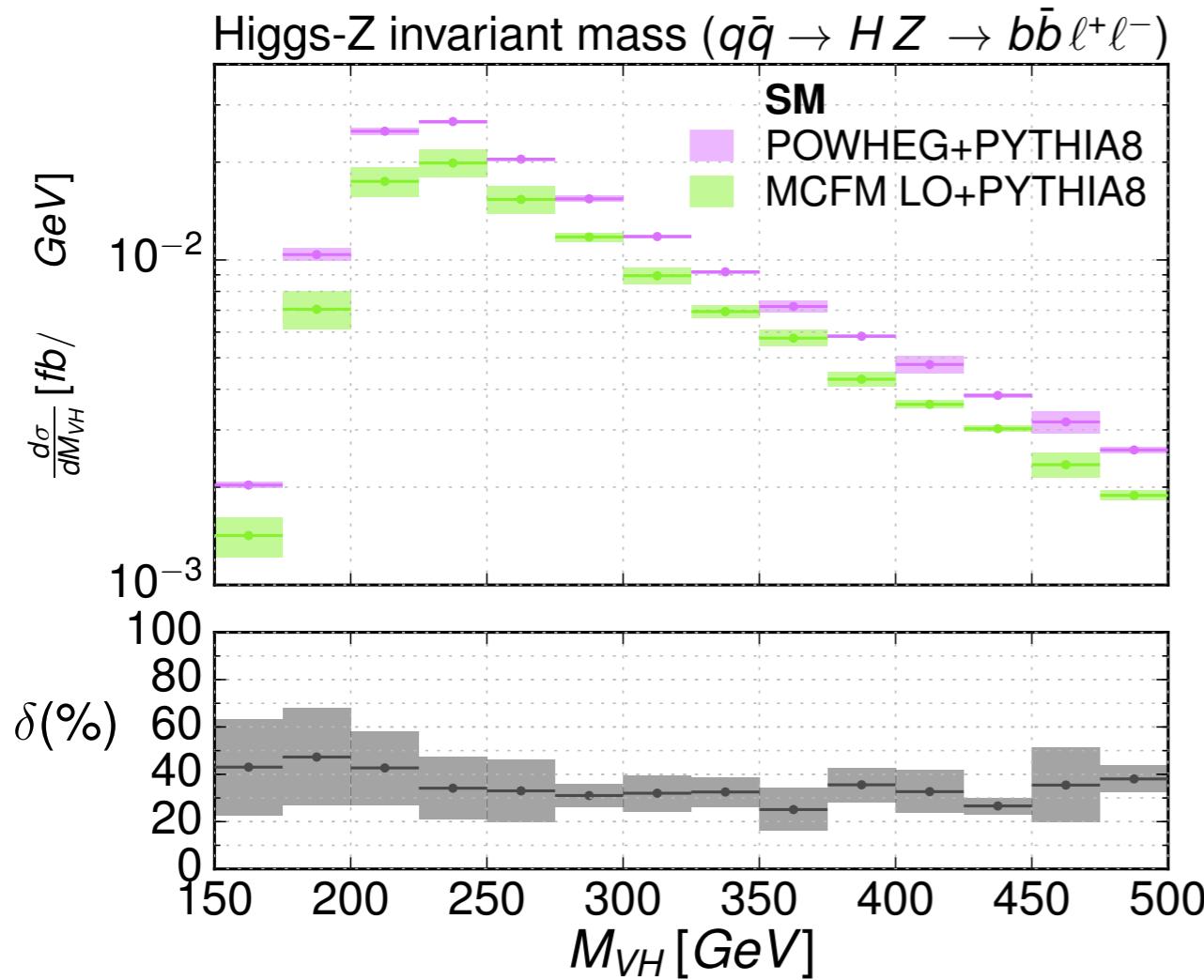
$pp \rightarrow ZH \rightarrow l^+l^- bb$

$N_j$  exhibits some difference but stats too low to distinguish



# K-factors

No significant difference between SM & EFT  
Relatively flat



# eHDECAY

<https://www.itp.kit.edu/~maggie/eHDECAY/>

- Extension of HDECAY  
[A. Djouadi, J. Kalinowski, M. Spira, Comp. Phys. Comm. 108 (1998) 56]
- QCD corrections
  - qq: Interpolation between massive NLO corrections near threshold & massless  $O(a_s^4)$  far above threshold
  - gg: N<sup>3</sup>LO in heavy quark limit neglecting higher order terms in  $(m_H/\Lambda)^2$
  - γγ: NLO
  - WW, ZZ, Zγ: LO
- EFT contribution truncated at  $(1/\Lambda)^2$ 
  - Anomalous coupling (“non-linear”) Lagrangian
  - Alternative ‘SILH’ basis input maps to the anomalous couplings
  - SILH input also includes some NLO EW corrections
  - Unclear if modifications to EW parameters from SM inputs included