

# ML-based shape analysis to constrain anomalous couplings in the Higgs sector

non-linear Effective Field Theory (EFT): [e.g. Buchalla et al. '13]

Lagrangian relevant for  $gg \rightarrow HH$

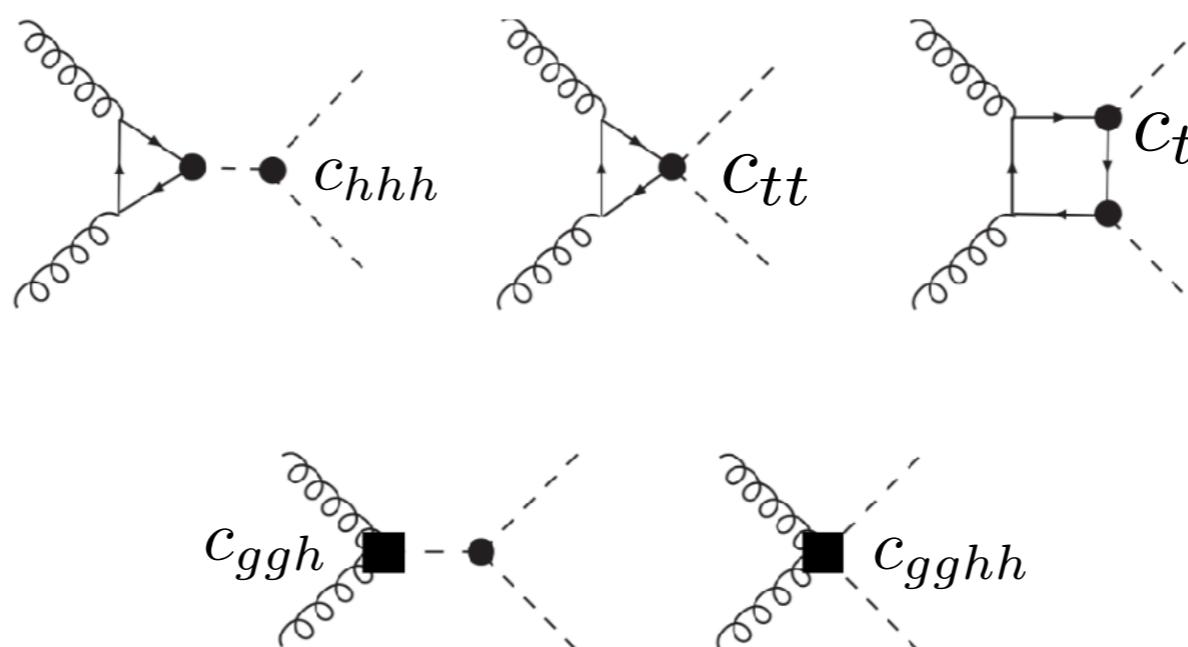
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\mathcal{L}_{d\chi \leq 4} = & -m_t \left( \textcolor{red}{c_t} \frac{h}{v} + c_{tt} \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right) \bar{t}t - \textcolor{red}{c_{hhh}} \frac{m_h^2}{2v} h^3 \\ & + \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \left( \textcolor{red}{c_{ggh}} \frac{h}{v} + \textcolor{red}{c_{gghh}} \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right) G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu}\end{aligned}$$

5 anomalous couplings ( SM:  $c_{tt} = 0, c_{ggh} = c_{gghh} = 0$  )

LO diagrams:

$d\chi \leq 4$

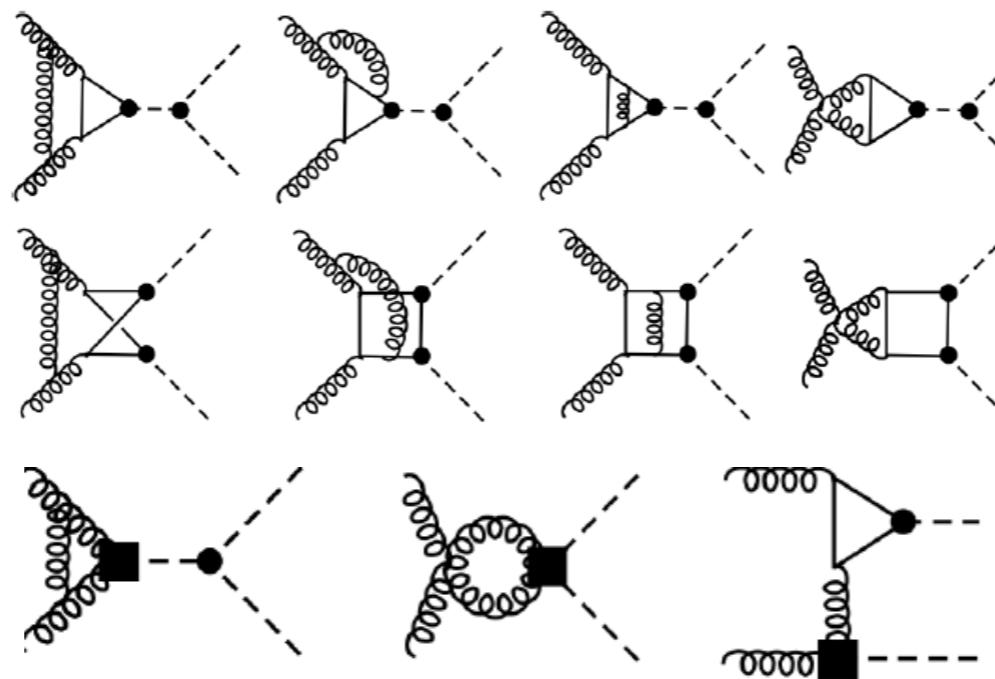
and  $\mathcal{O}(g_s^2)$



# NLO QCD corrections

Buchalla, Capozi, Celis, GH, Scyboz '18

Example diagrams



2-loop SM-like

Borowka, Greiner, GH, Jones,  
Kerner, Schlenk, Schubert, Zirke '16

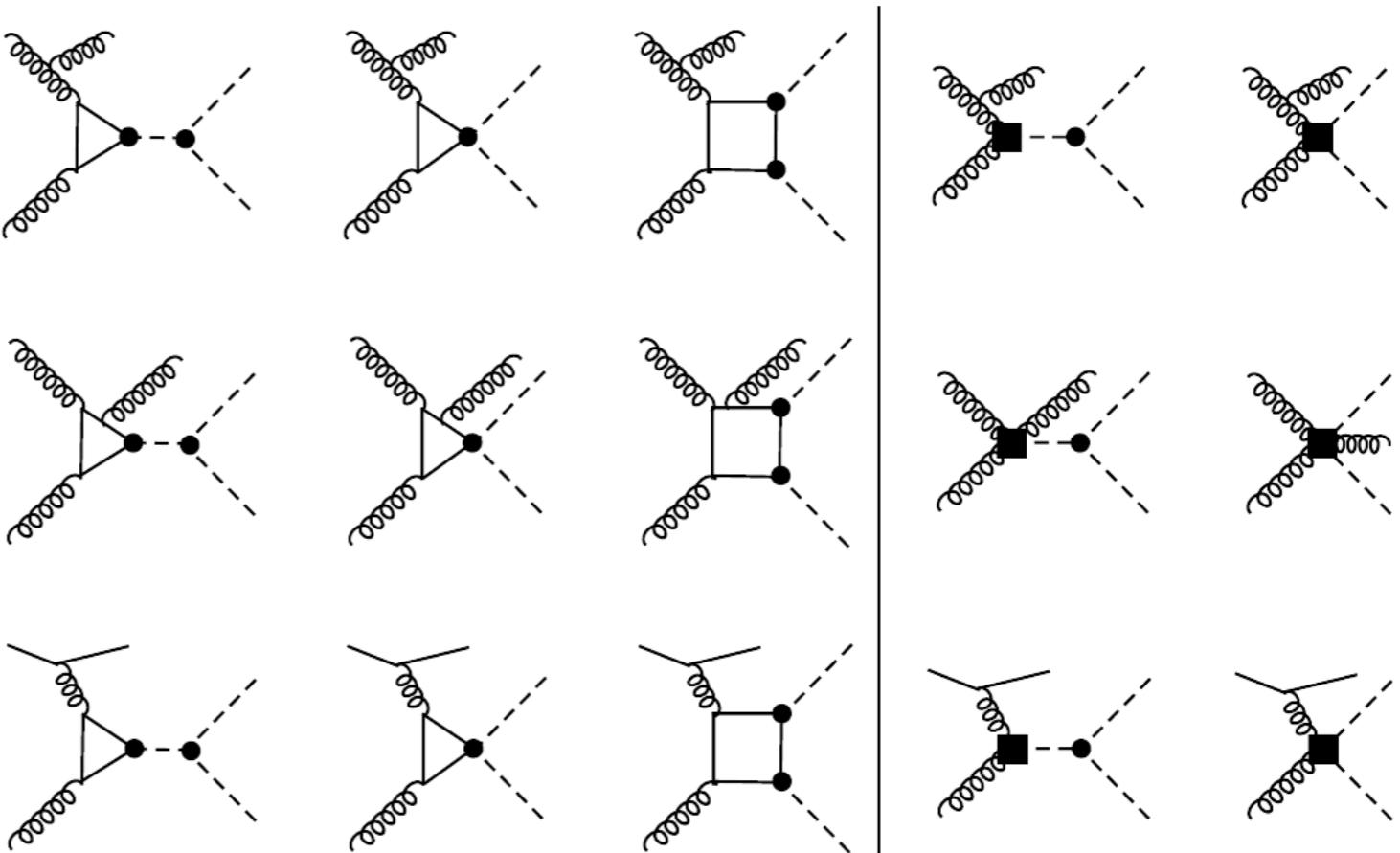
virtual corrections:

real corrections:

5-point 1-loop diagrams

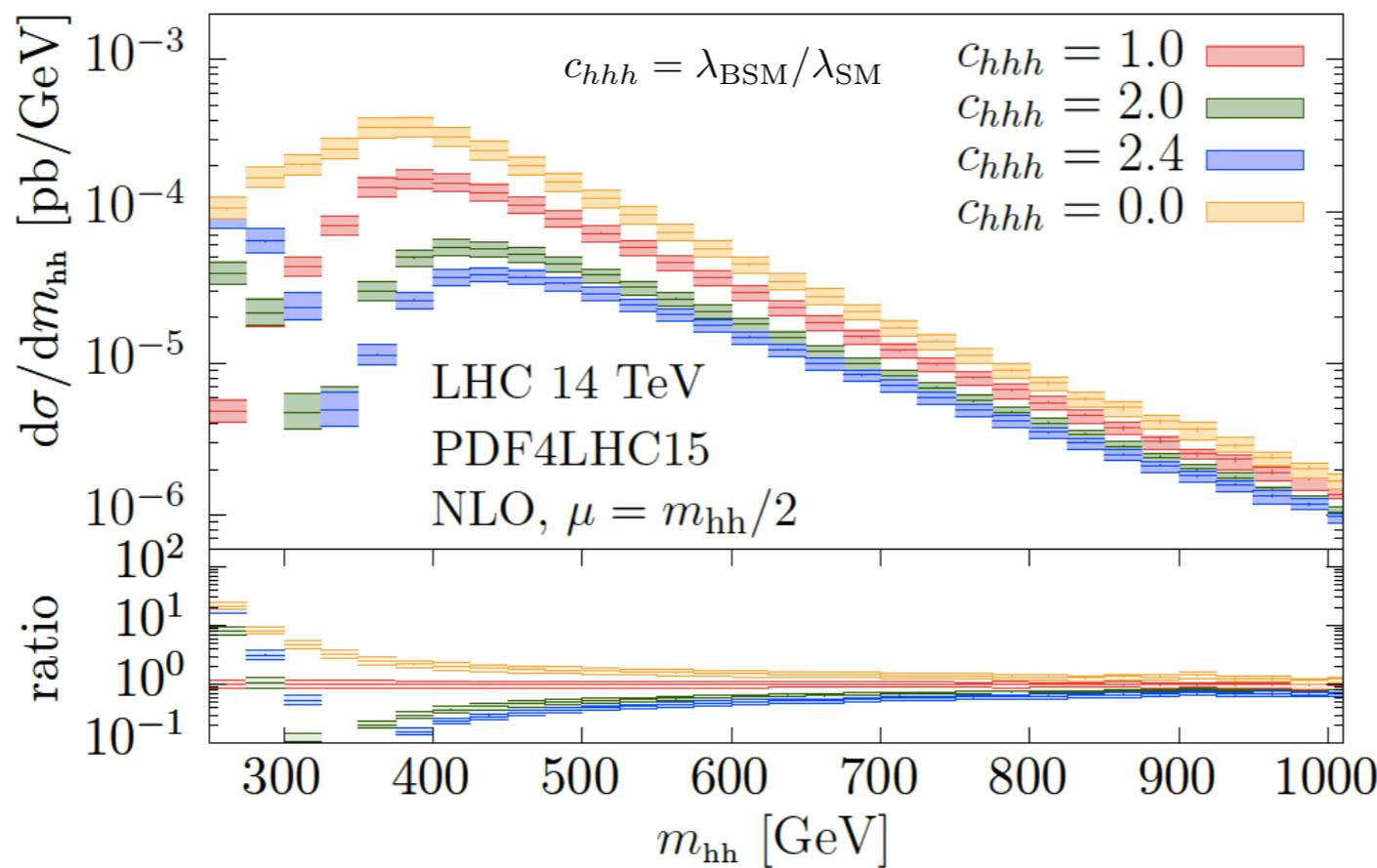
1-loop EFT

tree diagrams  $\propto c_{ggh}, c_{gggh}$



# $m_{hh}$ shape analysis

Values of  $c_{hhh}$  around 2.4 lead to  
a dip/double peak structure in the  $m_{hh}$  distribution



Is this feature preserved once variations of the other  
couplings are taken into account?

# $m_{hh}$ shape analysis

## Aim:

get a clearer idea how the different anomalous couplings affect the shape of the  $m_{hh}$  distribution

## How?

- focus on characteristic shape features
- visualise underlying parameter space in 2-dim. projections
- analyse how the different parameters affect the shape
- crucial: find a suitable “measure” defining a characteristic shape type

## used in 1908.08923:

- (a) bin-by-bin analyser script
- (b) unsupervised learning

# Shape analysis

- use unsupervised learning to identify shape types
- autoencoder from [KERAS \(tensorflow\)](#)
- input: 10000  $m_{hh}$  distributions with 30 bins of width 20 GeV

use 7000 distributions for training,  
retain 3000 for validation

encoder will try to find  
common patterns in order to  
achieve a compressed  
representation of the data

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input_data = Input(shape=(30,))

encoded = Dense(20, activation='relu')(input_data)

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encoded = Dense(4, activation='relu')(encoded)

decoded = Dense(20, activation='relu')(encoded)

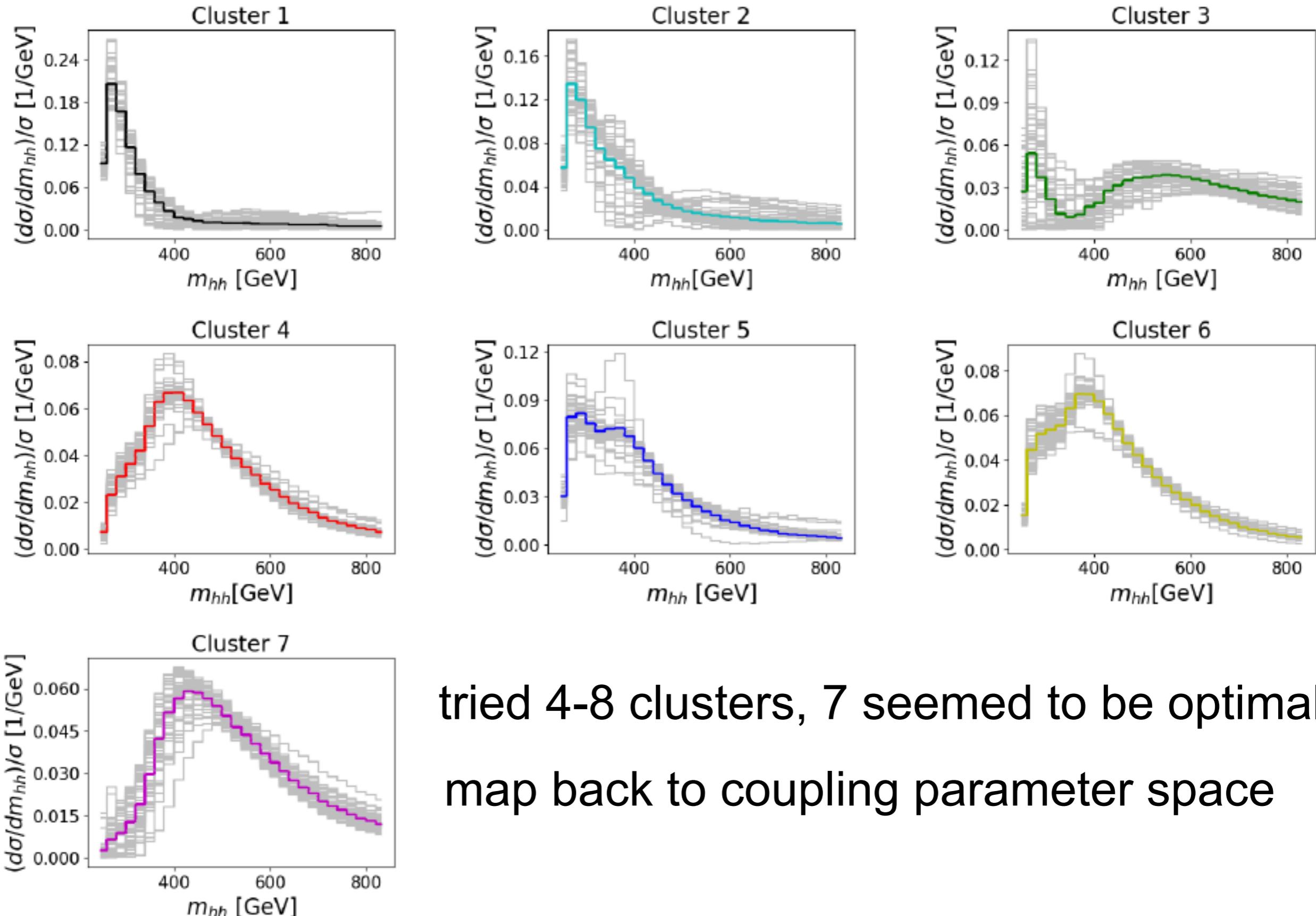
decoded = Dense(20, activation='relu')(decoded)

decoded = Dense(30, activation='sigmoid')(decoded)

autoencoder = Model(input_data, decoded)
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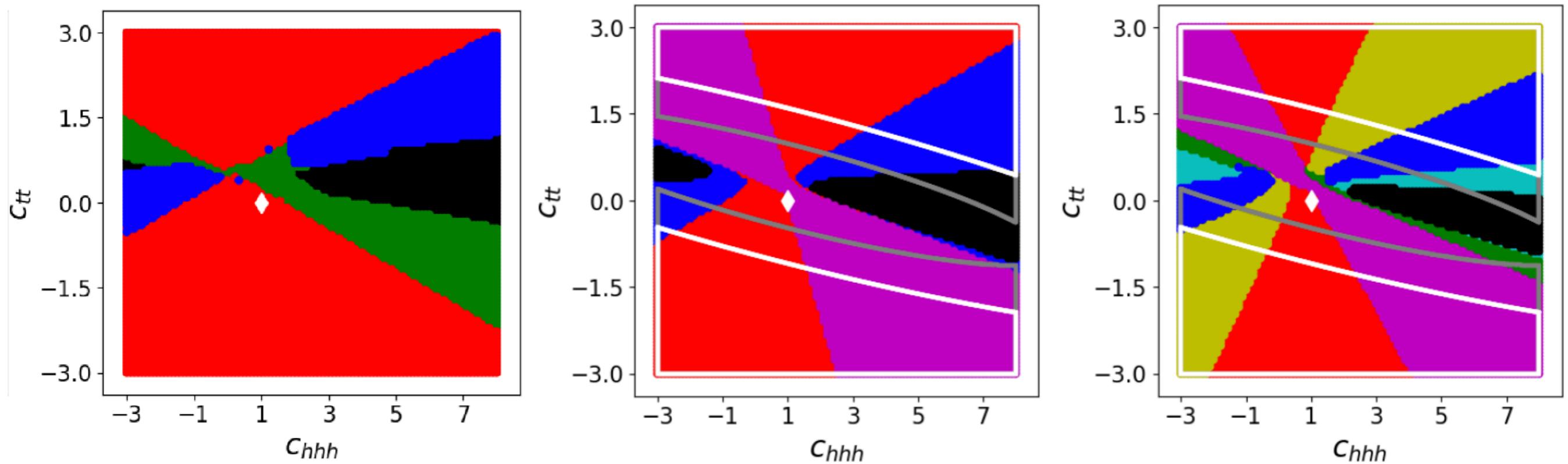
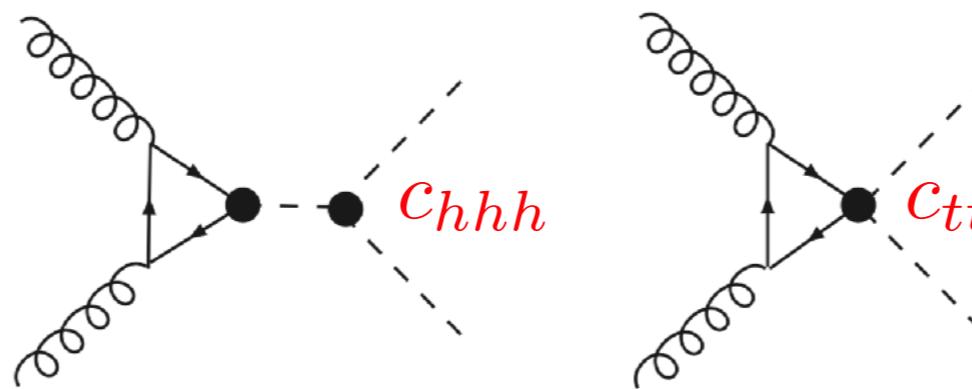
then use [KMeans](#) algorithm (scikit-learn)  
for clustering into given number of clusters

# Shape analysis



tried 4-8 clusters, 7 seemed to be optimal  
map back to coupling parameter space

# Shape analysis



$c_{tt}$  and  $c_{hhh}$  have strong influence on shape

shape combined with bounds on total  $\sigma$  puts constraints on  $c_{tt}$

# Projects

(1) combine with shape analysis of

- H+jet ( $p_T^H$ ) for constraints on  $c_g, c_t$
- maybe also VBF di-Higgs

(2) new method to model complicated matrix elements  
based on ML