

# An Effective (Field Theory) Pathway to the New Standard Model

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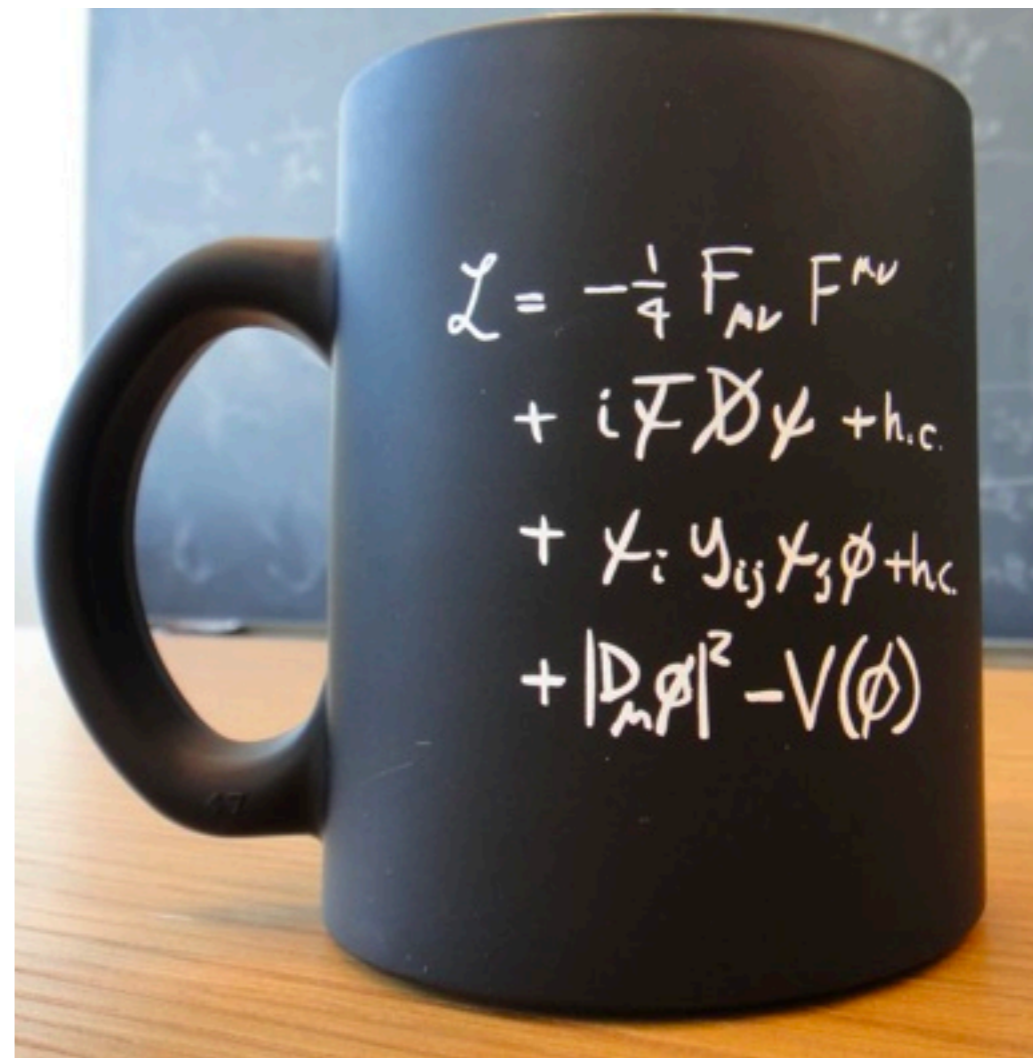
# **SMEFT: the new Standard Model**

# The Standard Model

The Standard Model is defined by:

- **Particle (matter) content:** quarks and leptons
- **Gauge** (local) symmetries and their eventual breaking mechanisms
- **Lorentz** invariance and other global symmetries
- Linearly realised  $SU(2)_L$  EW symmetry breaking
- Validity up to **very high scales (renormalisability)**

*e.g. Planck scale*



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} = \sum_i c_i \mathcal{O}_i^{(d=4)}$$

*extremely predictive framework!*

dimensionless couplings  
(before EW symmetry breaking)

All possible operators of **mass-dimension**  $\leq 4$   
consistent with above requirements

# The Standard Model is not the whole story

*why does our Universe exhibit such a strong matter/antimatter asymmetry?*

*why does the Higgs mechanism give mass to elementary particles? Is it effective or fundamental?*

*the Standard Model*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \\ & + i\bar{\psi} \not{D} \psi + \text{h.c.} \\ & + \sum_i Y_{ij} \bar{\psi}_i \psi_j \phi + \text{h.c.} \\ & + |D_\mu \phi|^2 - V(\phi) \end{aligned}$$

*what is the correct quantum mechanical description of gravity?*

*what sets the scale of neutrino masses? Do sterile neutrinos exist?*

*why do quarks and leptons exhibit such a disparate pattern of masses and couplings?*

*does Dark Matter admit an elementary particle description?*

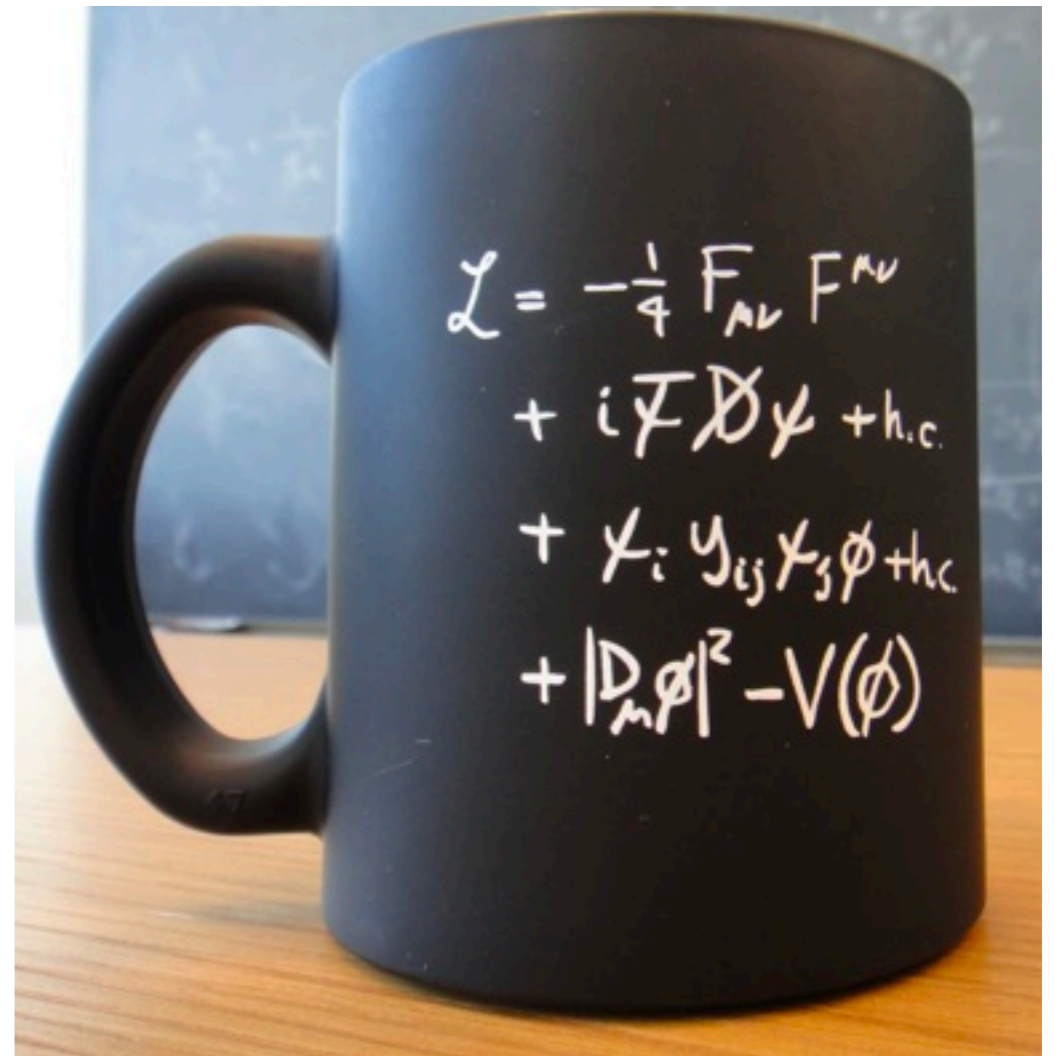
*Violation of lepton flavour universality?*

*Innumerable extensions of the SM have been proposed. None of them has been validated  
maybe rethink how to search for New Physics?*

# The Standard Model as an Effective Theory

The Standard Model EFT is defined by:

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- **Lorentz** invariance and other global symmetries
- Linearly realised  $SU(2)_L$  EW symmetry breaking
- **Validity only up to certain energy scale  $\Lambda$**



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}}(\{c_i\}, \Lambda) = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{d=5}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^{N_d} c_i^{(d)} \frac{\mathcal{O}_i^{(d)}}{\Lambda^{d-4}}$$

EFT coupling constants,  
to be determined from **data**

All possible operators of **mass-dimension  $d$**  consistent with  
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# Why the SMEFT?

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- ☑ **Low-energy limit** of generic UV-complete theories (with linearly realized EWSB)
- ☑ **Complete basis** at any given mass-dimension: systematic parametrisation of BSM effects
- ☑ **Fully renormalizable**, full-fledged QFT: compute higher orders in QCD and EW
- ☑ Matched to a large number of **BSM models** that reduce to the SM at low energies: exploits the full power of **SM measurements** for model-independent BSM searches
- ☑ Some operators induce **growth with the partonic centre-of-mass energy**: increased sensitivity in LHC cross-sections in the TeV region

$$\sigma(E) = \sigma_{\text{SM}} \times (E) \left( 1 + \sum_i^{N_{d6}} \omega_i \frac{c_i v^2}{\Lambda^2} + \sum_i^{N_{d6}} \tilde{\omega}_i \frac{c_i E^2}{\Lambda^2} + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4}) \right)$$

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- The number of SMEFT operators is large: **59 non-redundant operators at dimension 6** for one fermion generation, **2499 operators** without any flavour assumption
- A global SMEFT analysis needs to explore a **huge complicated parameter space**

$X^3$		$X^2\phi^2$	
$Q_G$	$f^{ABC} G_\mu^{Av} G_\nu^{B\rho} G_\rho^{C\mu}$	$Q_{\phi G}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$
$Q_{\tilde{G}}$	$f^{ABC} \tilde{G}_\mu^{Av} G_\nu^{B\rho} G_\rho^{C\mu}$	$Q_{\phi B}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$
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$\phi^6$		$Q_{\phi\tilde{G}}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$
$Q_\phi$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi)^3$	$Q_{\phi\tilde{B}}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$
$\phi^4 D^2$		$Q_{\phi\tilde{W}}$	$\phi^\dagger \phi \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu}$
$Q_{\phi\Box}$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi) \Box (\phi^\dagger \phi)$	$Q_{\phi\tilde{W}B}$	$\phi^\dagger \tau^I \phi \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$
$Q_{\phi D}$	$(\phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi)^* (\phi^\dagger D_\mu \phi)$		

**pure bosonic**

**four-fermion operators**

**bosonic-fermionic**

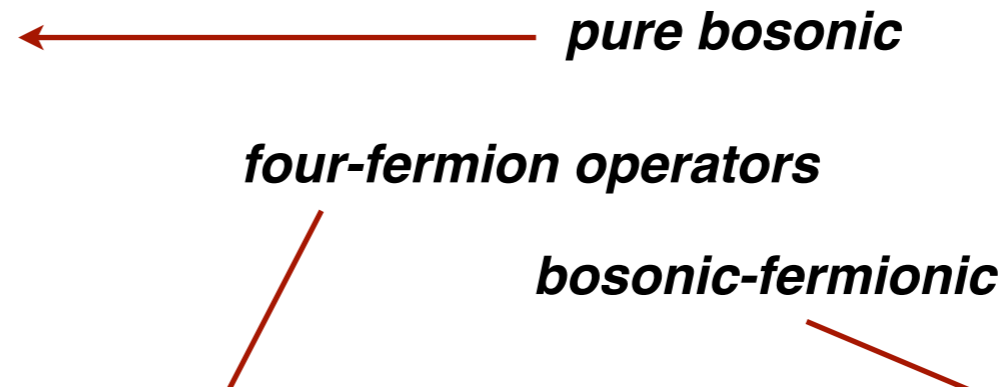
$\psi^2 \phi^3$		$\psi^2 \phi^2 D$	
$Q_{u\phi}$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi) (\bar{q} u \tilde{\phi})$	$Q_{\phi\ell}^{(1)}$	$(\phi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu \ell)$
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$Q_{e\phi}$	$(\phi^\dagger \phi) (\bar{\ell} e \phi)$	$Q_{\phi e}$	$(\phi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{e} \gamma^\mu e)$
$\psi^2 X \phi$		$Q_{\phi q}^{(1)}$	$(\phi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu q)$
$Q_{eW}$	$(\bar{\ell} \sigma^{\mu\nu} e) \tau^I \phi W_{\mu\nu}^I$	$Q_{\phi q}^{(3)}$	$(\phi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I \phi) (\bar{q} \tau^I \gamma^\mu q)$
$Q_{eB}$	$(\bar{\ell} \sigma^{\mu\nu} e) \phi B_{\mu\nu}$	$Q_{\phi u}$	$(\phi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{u} \gamma^\mu u)$
$Q_{uG}$	$(\bar{q} \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^A u) \tilde{\phi} G_{\mu\nu}^A$	$Q_{\phi d}$	$(\phi^\dagger i\overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{d} \gamma^\mu d)$
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$(\bar{L}L)(\bar{L}L)$		$(\bar{L}L)(\bar{R}R)$	
$Q_{\ell\ell}$	$(\bar{\ell} \gamma_\mu \ell) (\bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu \ell)$	$Q_{\ell e}$	$(\bar{\ell} \gamma_\mu \ell) (\bar{e} \gamma^\mu e)$
$Q_{qq}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{q} \gamma_\mu q) (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu q)$	$Q_{\ell u}$	$(\bar{\ell} \gamma_\mu \ell) (\bar{u} \gamma^\mu u)$
$Q_{qq}^{(3)}$	$(\bar{q} \gamma_\mu \tau^I q) (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu \tau^I q)$	$Q_{\ell d}$	$(\bar{\ell} \gamma_\mu \ell) (\bar{d} \gamma^\mu d)$
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$\omega^6$		$O \simeq$	$\omega^\dagger \omega \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$



Fulfilling the potential of the SMEFT framework demands global analyses based on a **wide range of process** such that most (all?) **directions in the EFT parameter space** are covered

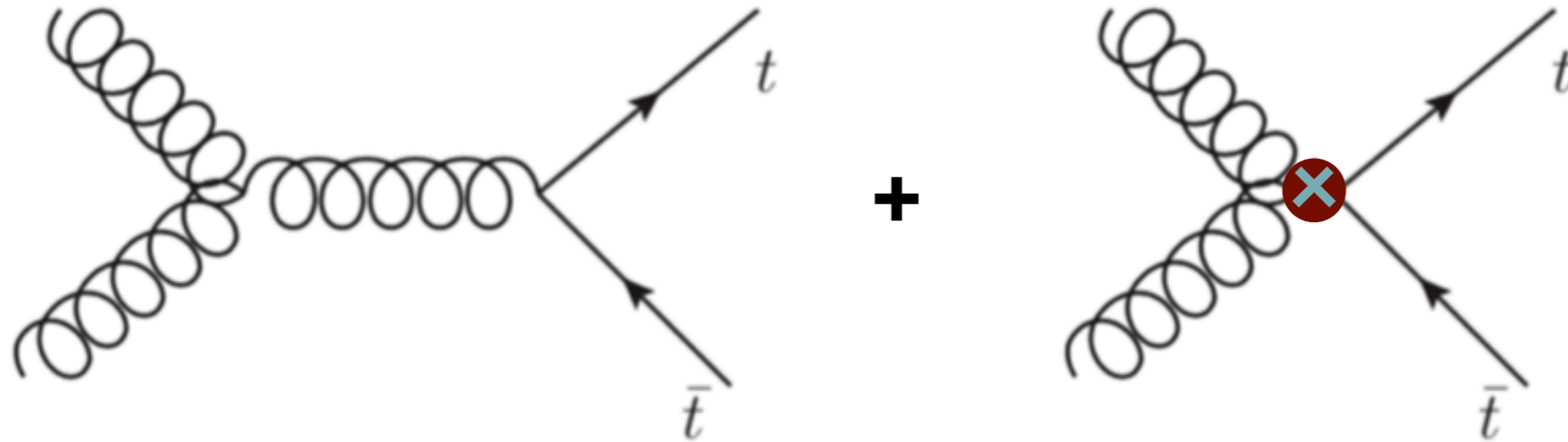
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# SMEFT effects in top quark pair production

**Standard Model**

$$\dagger O_{uG}^{(ij)} = (\bar{q}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^A u_j) \tilde{\varphi} G_{\mu\nu}^A,$$



*new interactions between SM fields*

$$= \sigma_{SM} \times \left( 1 + a \frac{c_{tG}}{\Lambda^2} + b \frac{c_{tG}^2}{\Lambda^4} \right)$$

**SM: N(NLO) QCD**

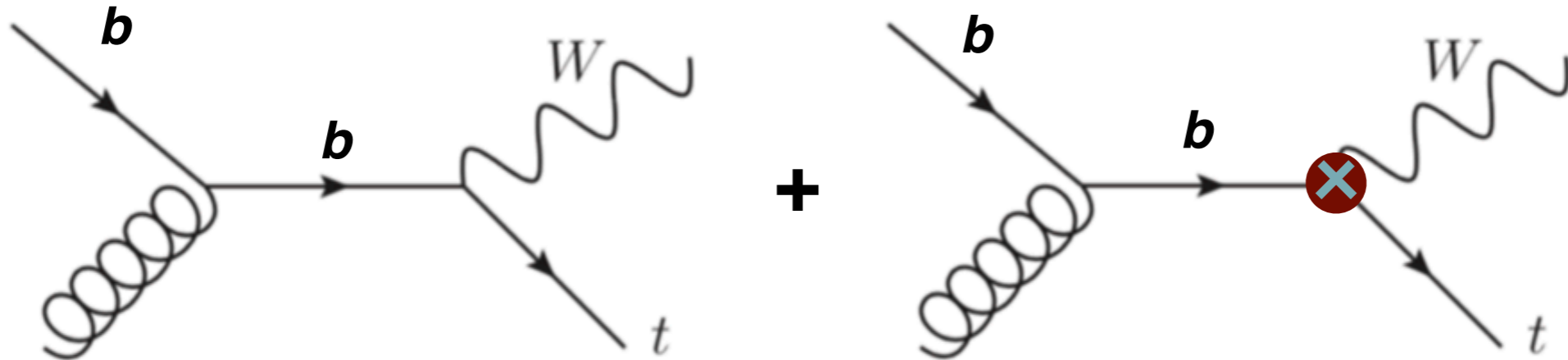
**interference**

**squared**

# SMEFT effects in single top production

**Standard Model**

$$O_{uW}^{(ij)} = (\bar{q}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} \tau^I u_j) \tilde{\varphi} W_{\mu\nu}^I$$



*modifications of the SM interactions*

$$= \sigma_{SM} \times \left( 1 + a \frac{c_{tW}}{\Lambda^2} + b \frac{c_{tW}^2}{\Lambda^4} \right)$$

**SM: N(NLO) QCD**

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# Theory calculations in the SMEFT

*from Lagrangian ...*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{m=1}^{N_6} \frac{c_m}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)} + \sum_{n=1}^{N_8} \frac{b_j}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_i^{(8)} + \dots$$

$\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{SM} \end{array}$        $\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{EFT}_{\text{d6}} \end{array}$        $\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{EFT}_{\text{d8}} \end{array}$

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↑
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SM
EFT<sub>d6</sub>
EFT<sub>d8</sub>

Linear EFT cross-sections:

Quadratic EFT cross-sections:

interference SM-EFT<sub>d6</sub>

squares EFT<sub>d6</sub>

to cross-sections ....

$$\sigma_{\text{SMEFT}}(\mathbf{c}, \Lambda) \simeq \sigma_{\text{SM}} \times \left( 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{N_6} \frac{c_m}{\Lambda^2} \sigma_m^{(\text{eft})} + \sum_{m,n=1}^{N_6} \frac{c_m c_n}{\Lambda^4} \sigma_{m,n}^{(\text{eft})} \right)$$

evaluate at (N)NLO QCD + NLO EW

evaluate at NLO QCD  
with **SMEFT@NLO**

# Theory calculations in the SMEFT

... to constraints on the EFT parameters by comparing with data

$$\chi^2(\mathbf{c}, \Lambda) = \frac{1}{n_{\text{dat}}} \sum_{i,j=1}^{n_{\text{dat}}} \left( \sigma_{i,\text{SMEFT}}(\mathbf{c}, \Lambda) - \sigma_{i,\text{exp}} \right) (\text{COV}^{-1})_{ij} \left( \sigma_{j,\text{SMEFT}}(\mathbf{c}, \Lambda) - \sigma_{j,\text{exp}} \right)$$

log-likelihood minimisation

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# Towards a global SMEFT analysis

## *Theory*

(N)NLO QCD + NLO EW for SM xsecs  
NLO QCD for SMEFT contributions  
State-of-the-art **Parton Distributions**

## *Data*

**Higgs** and **gauge boson** production  
**Top quark** and **jet** production  
Precision **LEP**, **low energy**, **flavour**, ....

***Global SMEFT fit***

Bounds for UV completions  
**New data** incorporated without redoing fit

## *Delivery*

Efficient exploration of **parameter space**  
Faithful **uncertainty estimate** (exp & th)

## *Methodology*

# A combined interpretation of Higgs, diboson, and top quark data in the SMEFT

*N. P. Hartland et al. "A Monte Carlo global analysis of the Standard Model Effective Field Theory: the top quark sector," JHEP 04 (2019), 10 [arXiv:1901.05965 [hep-ph]].*

*J. J. Ethier et al. [SMEFiT Collaboration], "Combined SMEFT interpretation of Higgs, diboson, and top quark data from the LHC," JHEP 11 (2021), 089, [arXiv:2105.00006 [hep-ph]].*

# The SMEFiT framework

## *Theory*

## *Data*

(N)NLO QCD + NLO EW for SM xsecs

NLO QCD, both linear and quadratic terms,  
with SMEFT@NLO

State-of-the-art **parton distributions** (avoid  
double counting)

**Higgs data** (signal strengths, diff, STXS),  
diboson LEP and LHC, all available **top quark  
data** from Runs I+II, VBS, more in progress

Full experimental **correlations** included



Extensive **statistical toolbox** to validate results:  
information geometry, PCA, closure testing, ...

Full **posterior probabilities** in the EFT  
coefficients available, likelihoods WIP

Two independent fitting methods, **MCfit** and  
**NestedSampling** (no reliance on linear  
approx) cross-check each other

**Modular structure** facilitates adding new  
datasets of better theory calculations

## *Validation*

## *Methodology*



# Fitting methodology

**MCfit** generate a large sample of **Monte Carlo replicas** to construct the **probability distribution** in the space of experimental data accounting for all uncertainties

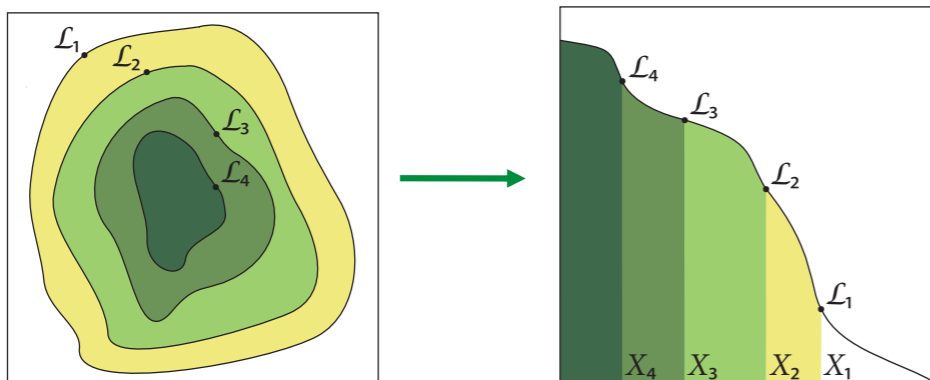
Determine the SMEFT coefficients **replica-by-replica** by minimising a cost function

$$E(\{c_l^{(k)}\}) \equiv \frac{1}{N_{\text{dat}}} \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\text{dat}}} \left( \mathcal{O}_i^{(\text{th})}(\{c_n^{(k)}\}) - \mathcal{O}_i^{(\text{art})(k)} \right) (\text{cov}^{-1})_{ij} \left( \mathcal{O}_j^{(\text{th})}(\{c_n^{(k)}\}) - \mathcal{O}_j^{(\text{art})(k)} \right)$$

where covariance matrix includes **all sources of experimental + theory errors**

**Nested Sampling** statistical mapping of the  $N$ -dimensional likelihood profile to 1D

$$Z = \int d^N c \mathcal{L}(\text{data} | \vec{c}) \pi(\vec{c}) = \int_0^1 dX \mathcal{L}(X)$$



- Samples directly from prior space to locate **regions of maximum likelihood**
- Main advantage: **no need for optimiser** (fitting)
- Exponential increase in runtime as prior volume increases

# The SMEFiT framework

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MCFit

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SMEFiT RW

SMEFiT VBS

SMEFiT2.0



## Welcome to the SMEFiT website!

SMEFiT is a Python package for global analyses of particle physics data in the framework of the Standard Model Effective Field Theory (SMEFT). The SMEFT represents a powerful model-independent framework to constrain, identify, and parametrise potential deviations with respect to the predictions of the Standard Model (SM). A particularly attractive feature of the SMEFT is its capability to systematically correlate deviations from the SM between different processes. The full exploitation of the SMEFT potential for indirect New Physics searches from precision measurements requires combining the information provided by the broadest possible dataset, namely carrying out extensive global analysis which is the main purpose of SMEFiT.

## Project description

The SMEFiT framework has been used in the following **scientific publications**:

- *A Monte Carlo global analysis of the Standard Model Effective Field Theory: the top quark sector*, N. P. Hartland, F. Maltoni, E. R. Nocera, J. Rojo, E. Slade, E. Vryonidou, C. Zhang [[HMN+19](#)].
- *Constraining the SMEFT with Bayesian reweighting*, S. van Beek, E. R. Nocera, J. Rojo, and E. Slade [[vBNRS19](#)].
- *SMEFT analysis of vector boson scattering and diboson data from the LHC Run II*, J. Ethier, R. Gomez-Ambrosio, G. Magni, J. Rojo [[EGAMR21](#)].
- *Combined SMEFT interpretation of Higgs, diboson, and top quark data from the LHC*, J. Ethier, F. Maltoni, L. Mantani, E. R. Nocera, J. Rojo, E. Slade, E. Vryonidou, C. Zhang [[EMM+21](#)].

Results from these publications, including driver and analysis scripts, are available in the **Results** section.

## Team description

The **SMEFiT collaboration** is currently composed by the following members:

- Jaco ter Hoeve, *VU Amsterdam and Nikhef Theory Group*
- Giacomo Magni, *VU Amsterdam and Nikhef Theory Group*
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- Luca Mantani, *Centre for Cosmology, Particle Physics and Phenomenology Louvain*
- Emanuele Roberto Nocera, *Higgs Center for Theoretical Physics, University of Edinburgh*
- Juan Rojo, *VU Amsterdam and Nikhef Theory Group*
- Eleni Vryonidou, *University of Manchester*

<https://lhcfitsnikhef.github.io/SMEFT/>

# Operator basis and flavour assumptions

Class	$N_{\text{dof}}$	Independent DOFs	DoF in EWPOs
four-quark (two-light-two-heavy)	14	$c_{Qq}^{1,8}, c_{Qq}^{1,1}, c_{Qq}^{3,8},$ $c_{Qq}^{3,1}, c_{tq}^8, c_{tq}^1,$ $c_{tu}^8, c_{tu}^1, c_{Qu}^8,$ $c_{Qu}^1, c_{td}^8, c_{td}^1,$ $c_{Qd}^8, c_{Qd}^1$	
four-quark (four-heavy)	5	$c_{QQ}^1, c_{QQ}^8, c_{Qt}^1,$ $c_{Qt}^8, c_{tt}^1$	
four-lepton	1		$c_{\ell\ell}$
two-fermion (+ bosonic fields)	23	$c_{t\varphi}, c_{tG}, c_{b\varphi},$ $c_{c\varphi}, c_{\tau\varphi}, c_{tW},$ $c_{tZ}, c_{\varphi Q}^{(3)}, c_{\varphi Q}^{(-)},$ $c_{\varphi t}$	$c_{\varphi l_1}^{(1)}, c_{\varphi l_1}^{(3)}, c_{\varphi l_2}^{(1)}$ $c_{\varphi l_2}^{(3)}, c_{\varphi l_3}^{(1)}, c_{\varphi l_3}^{(3)},$ $c_{\varphi e}, c_{\varphi\mu}, c_{\varphi\tau},$ $c_{\varphi q}^{(3)}, c_{\varphi q}^{(-)},$ $c_{\varphi u}, c_{\varphi d}$
Purely bosonic	7	$c_{\varphi G}, c_{\varphi B}, c_{\varphi W},$ $c_{\varphi d}, c_{WWW}$	$c_{\varphi WB}, c_{\varphi D}$
Total	50 (36 independent)	34	16 (2 independent)

• **Dim-6 SMEFT operators** modifying Higgs, dibosons, and top quark properties: **36 (14) independent (dependent) DoFs**

• Flavour assumption is **MFV**, with  $U(2)_q \times U(2)_u \times U(3)_d$  in quark sector (special role for top quark) and  $(U(1)_\ell \times U(1)_e)^3$  in lepton sector

• Constraints from **LEP EWPOs** imposed via restrictions in parameter space

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{\varphi l_i}^{(3)} \\ c_{\varphi l_i}^{(1)} \\ c_{\varphi l_i} \\ c_{\varphi e/\mu/\tau} \\ c_{\varphi q}^{(-)} \\ c_{\varphi q}^{(3)} \\ c_{\varphi u} \\ c_{\varphi d} \\ c_{\ell\ell} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{t_W} & -\frac{1}{4t_W^2} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{t_W} & \frac{1}{4s_W^2} - \frac{1}{6} \\ -\frac{1}{t_W} & -\frac{1}{4t_W^2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{6} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{\varphi WB} \\ c_{\varphi D} \end{pmatrix}$$

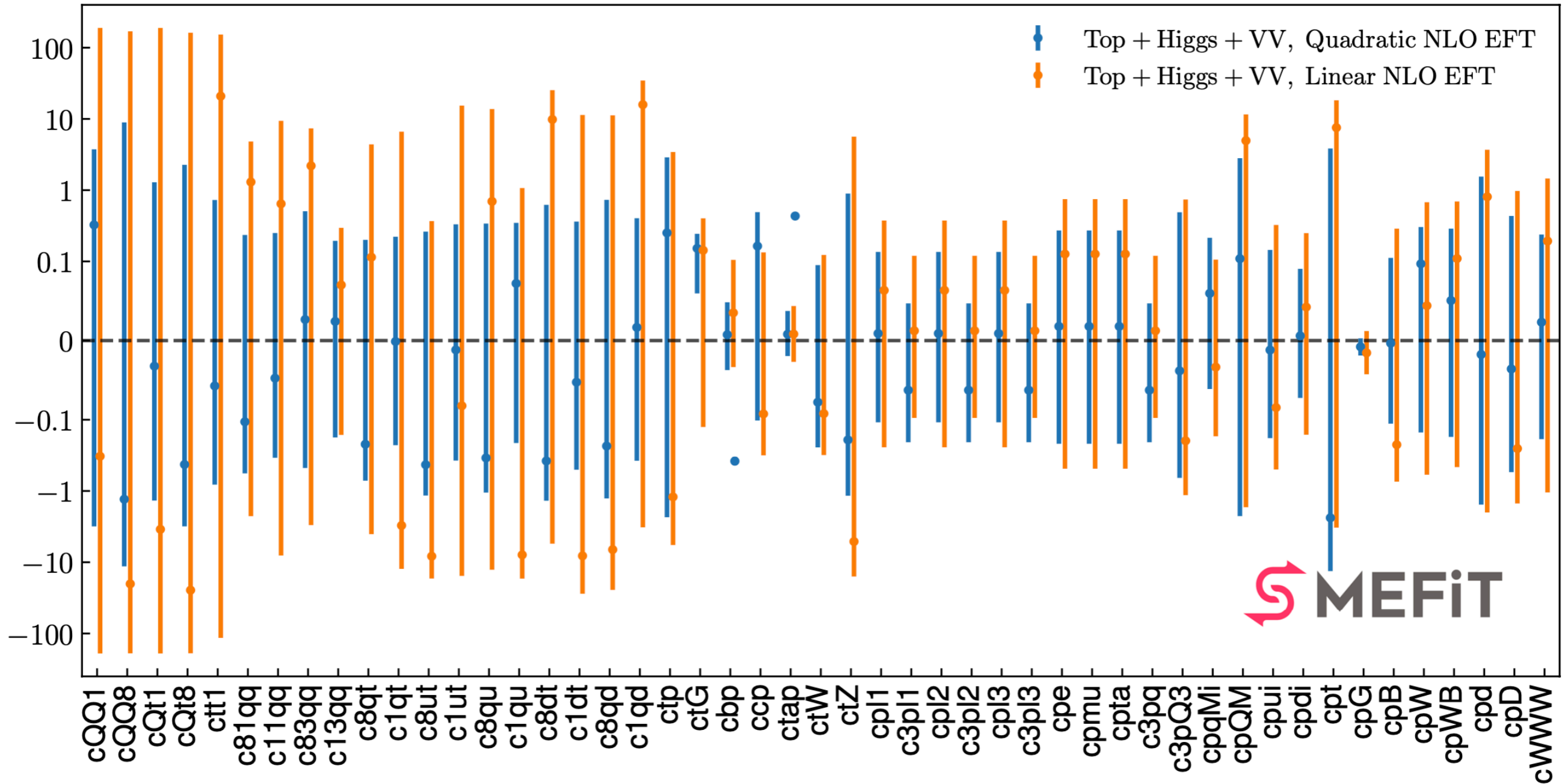
# Experimental data

Category	Processes	$n_{\text{dat}}$
Top quark production	$t\bar{t}$ (inclusive) (incl LHC charge asy)	94
	$t\bar{t}Z, t\bar{t}W$ (incl ptZ in ttZ)	14
	single top (inclusive)	27
	$tZ, tW$	9
	$t\bar{t}t\bar{t}, t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	6
	<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>
Higgs production and decay	Run I signal strengths	22
	Run II signal strengths	40
	Run II, differential distributions & STXS	35
	<b>Total</b>	<b>97</b>
Diboson production	LEP-2 (WW)	40
	LHC (WW & WZ)	30
	<b>Total</b>	<b>70</b>
Baseline dataset	<b>Total</b>	<b>317</b>

+ systematic assessment of fit results **wrt dataset variations:**

Higgs-only fit, top-only fit, no high-E data, no diboson data ...

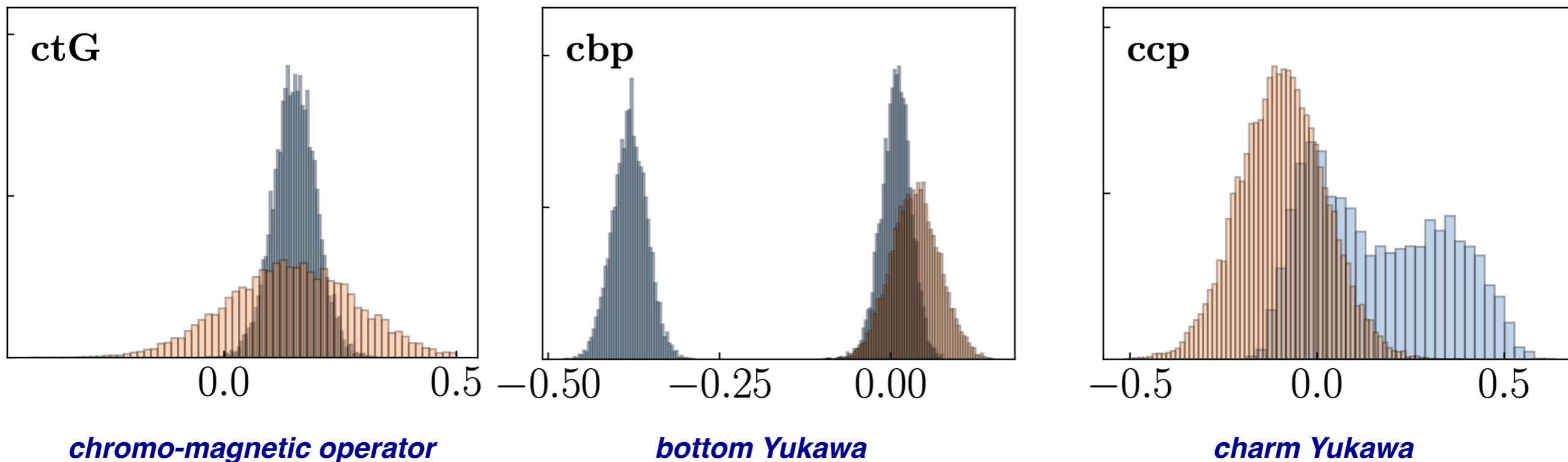
# Results: global fit



- ☞ Agreement with SM at 95% CL for all EFT coefficients except for **ctG** in quadratic fit
- ☞ Quadratic corrections bring in sensitivity (more stringent bounds) *e.g.* for four-fermion operators
- ☞ Some DoFs exhibit a second “BSM-like” solution in the quartic fit

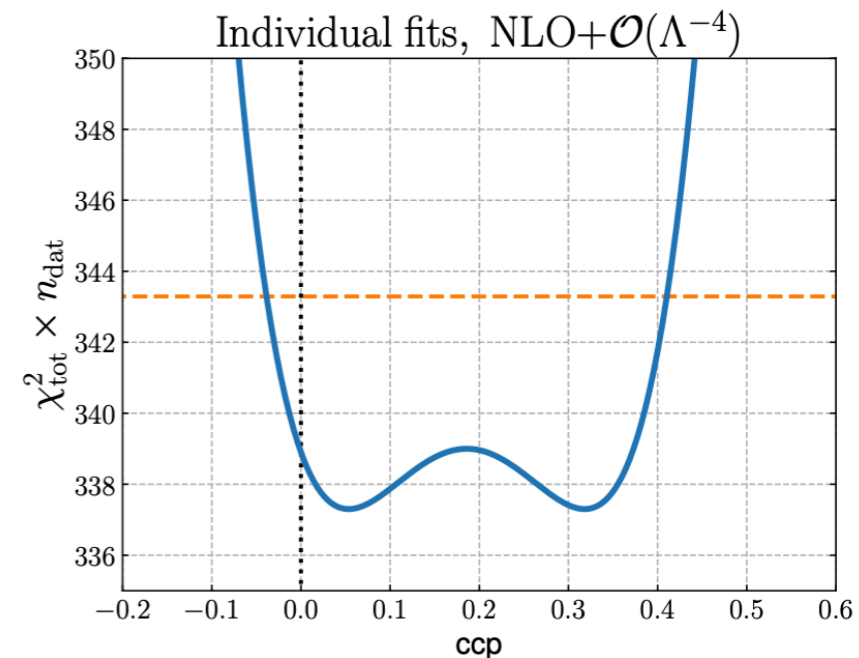
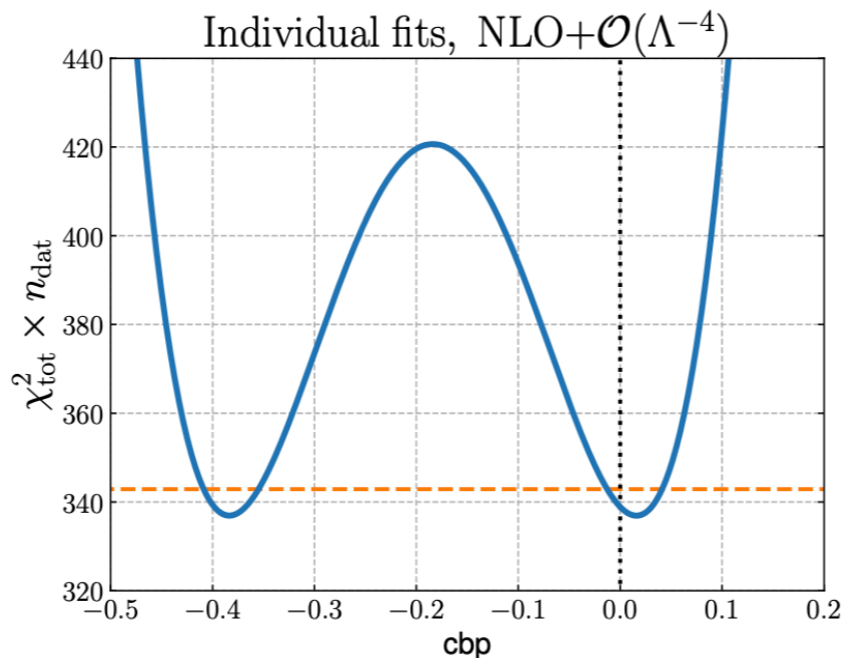
# Results: global fit

■ Top + Higgs + VV, Quadratic NLO EFT
 ■ Top + Higgs + VV, Linear NLO EFT



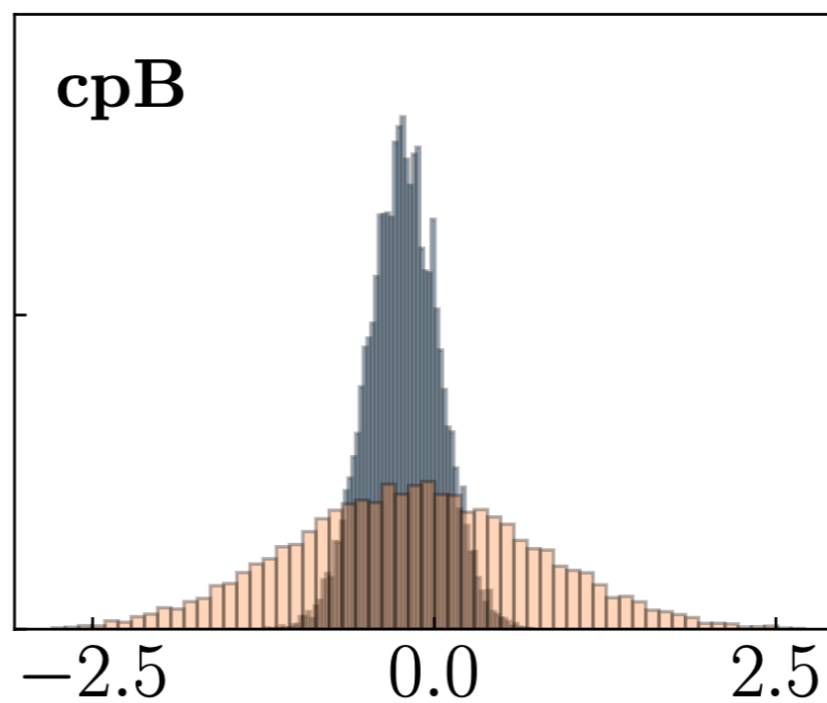
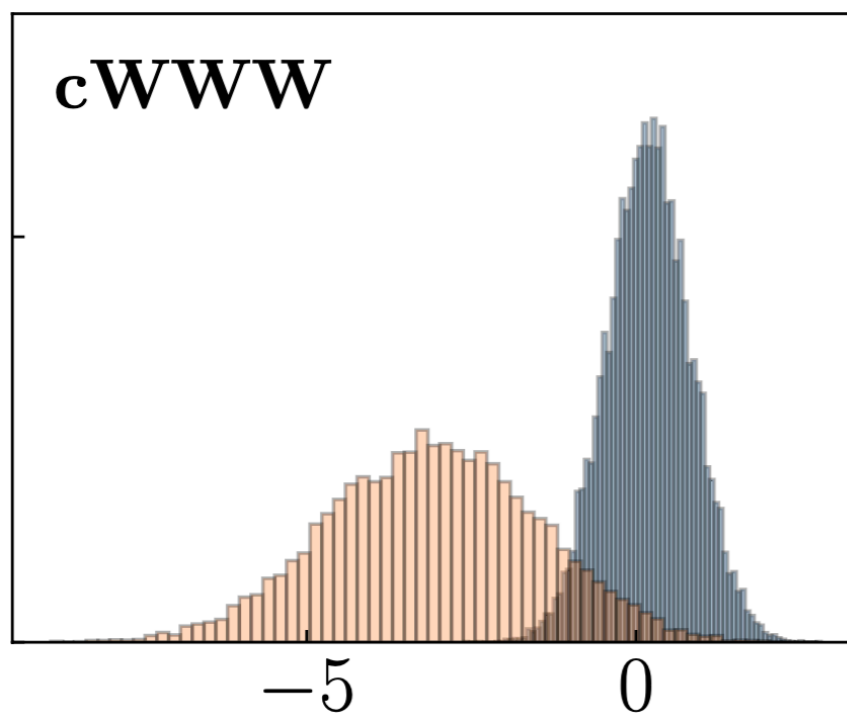
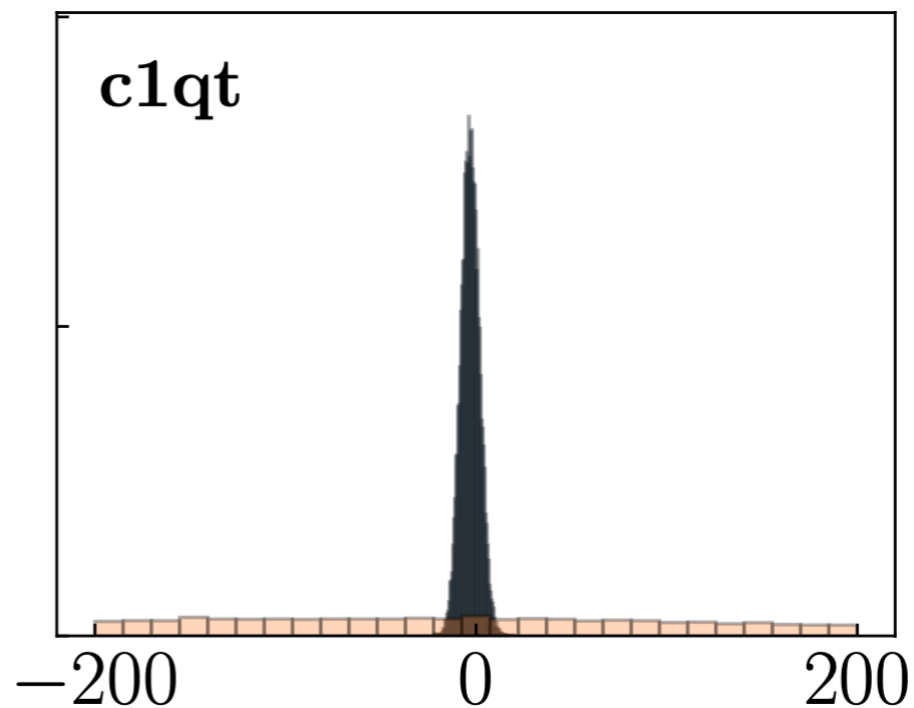
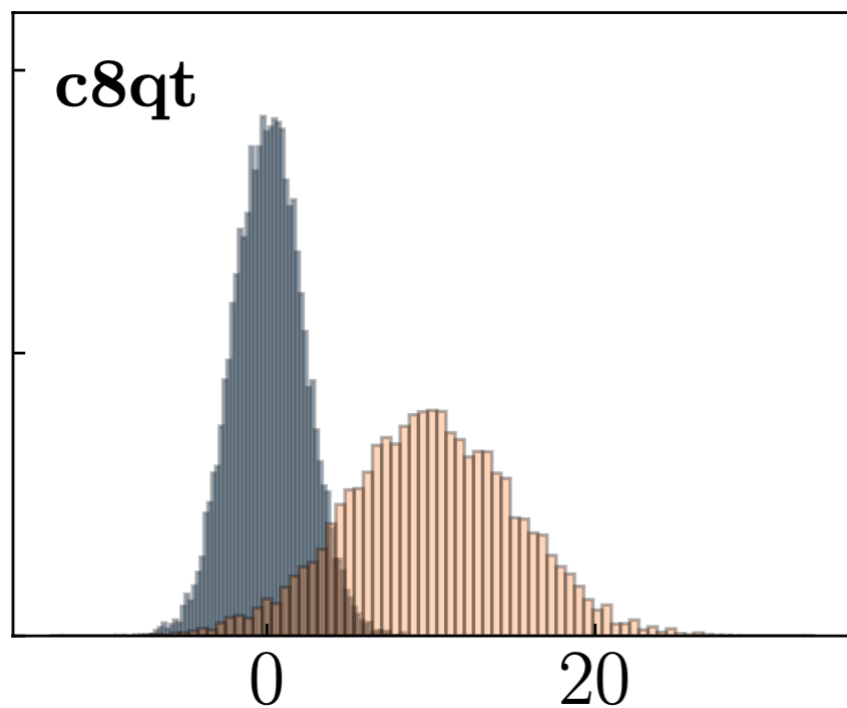
in general, sensitivity of fit results to inclusion of **quadratic EFT corrections**

*1-parameter fits*



# Results: impact of NLO corrections

■ Top + Higgs + VV, Linear NLO EFT      ■ Top + Higgs + VV, Linear LO EFT

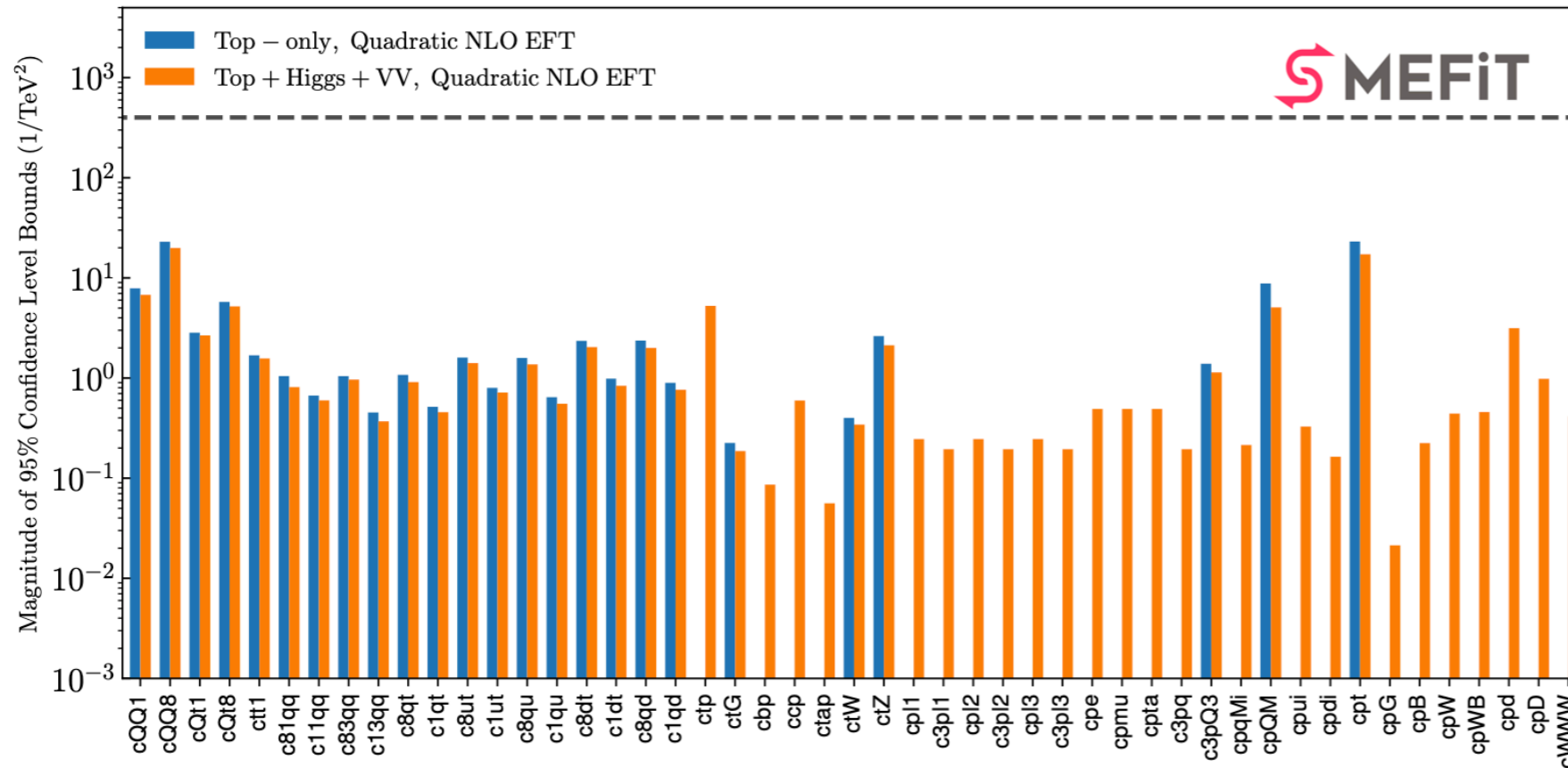


● NLO QCD corrections essential for **precision EFT fits**, specially in linear case

● In several cases new sensitivity enters at NLO

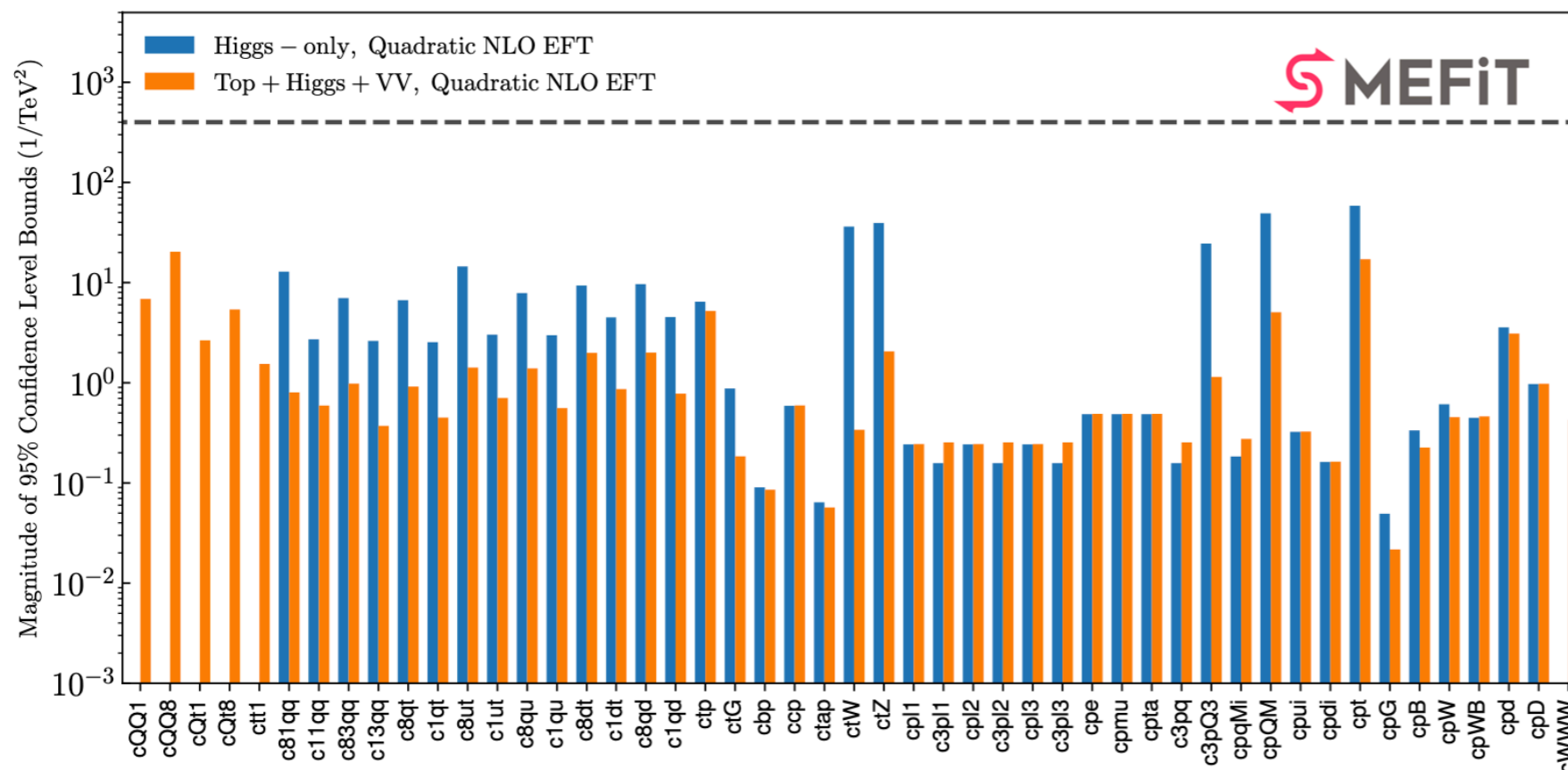
● Impact both in terms of **shift in best-fit value** and in **reduction of fit uncertainties**

# Results: dataset dependence



Global fits consistent, but **more accurate**, with top-only or Higgs-only fit

Top data **boosts the Higgs EFT fit** all across the board



Diboson data only constraints **cWWW**

Fit results stable upon **removal of high energy bins** ( $E > 1 \text{ TeV}$ )



# The SMEFiT framework reloaded

- The SMEFiT framework has been completely rewritten and **released as an open source general EFT fitting toolbox**
- It allows reproducing results of the global SMEFiT analyses, adding new datasets or improved theory calculations, quantifying the impact of future measurements ...
- As an application example, we **reproduce the results of the ATLAS EFT interpretation of Higgs measurements** based on the full Run II dataset

[ATL-PHYS-PUB-2022-037](https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.12741)



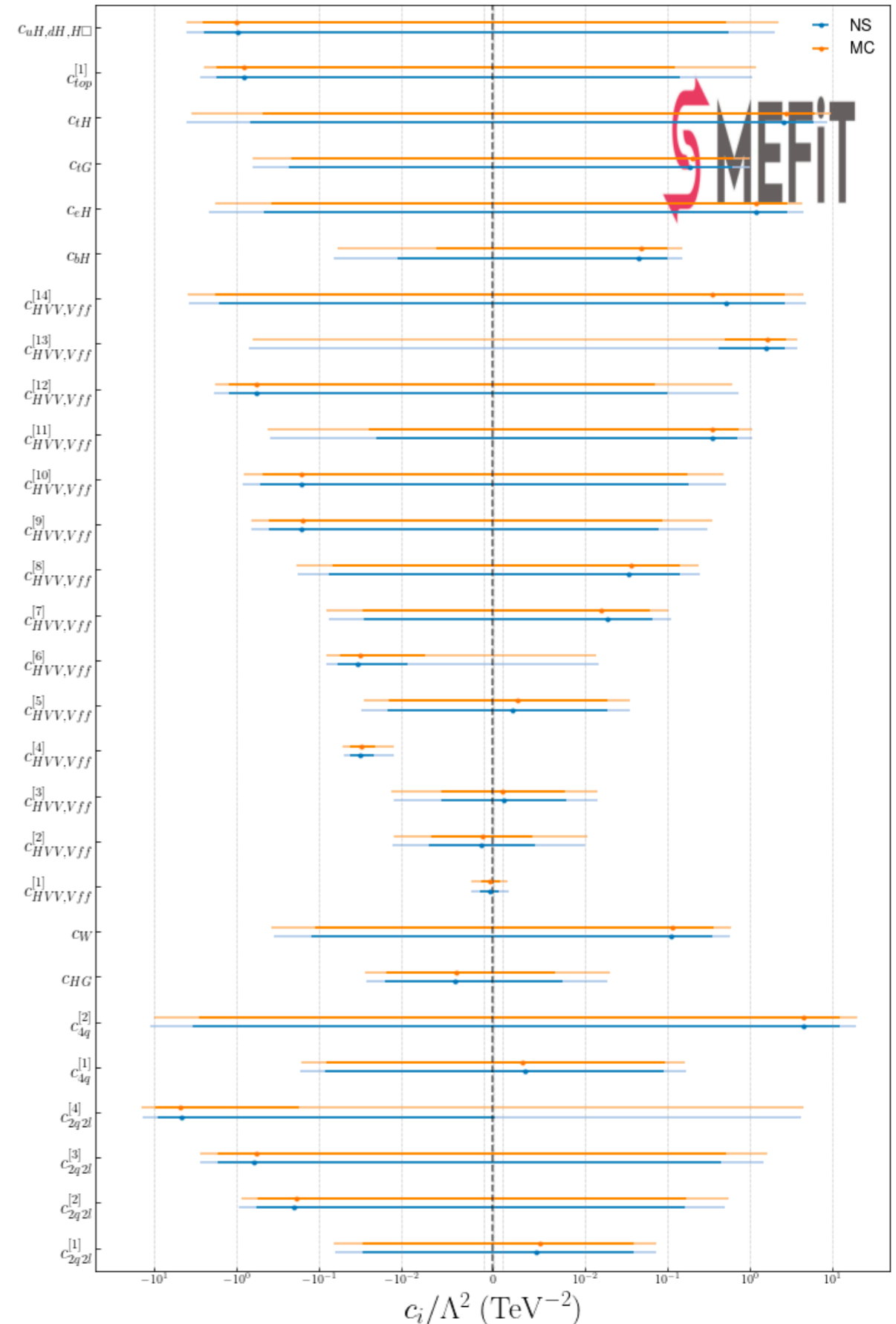
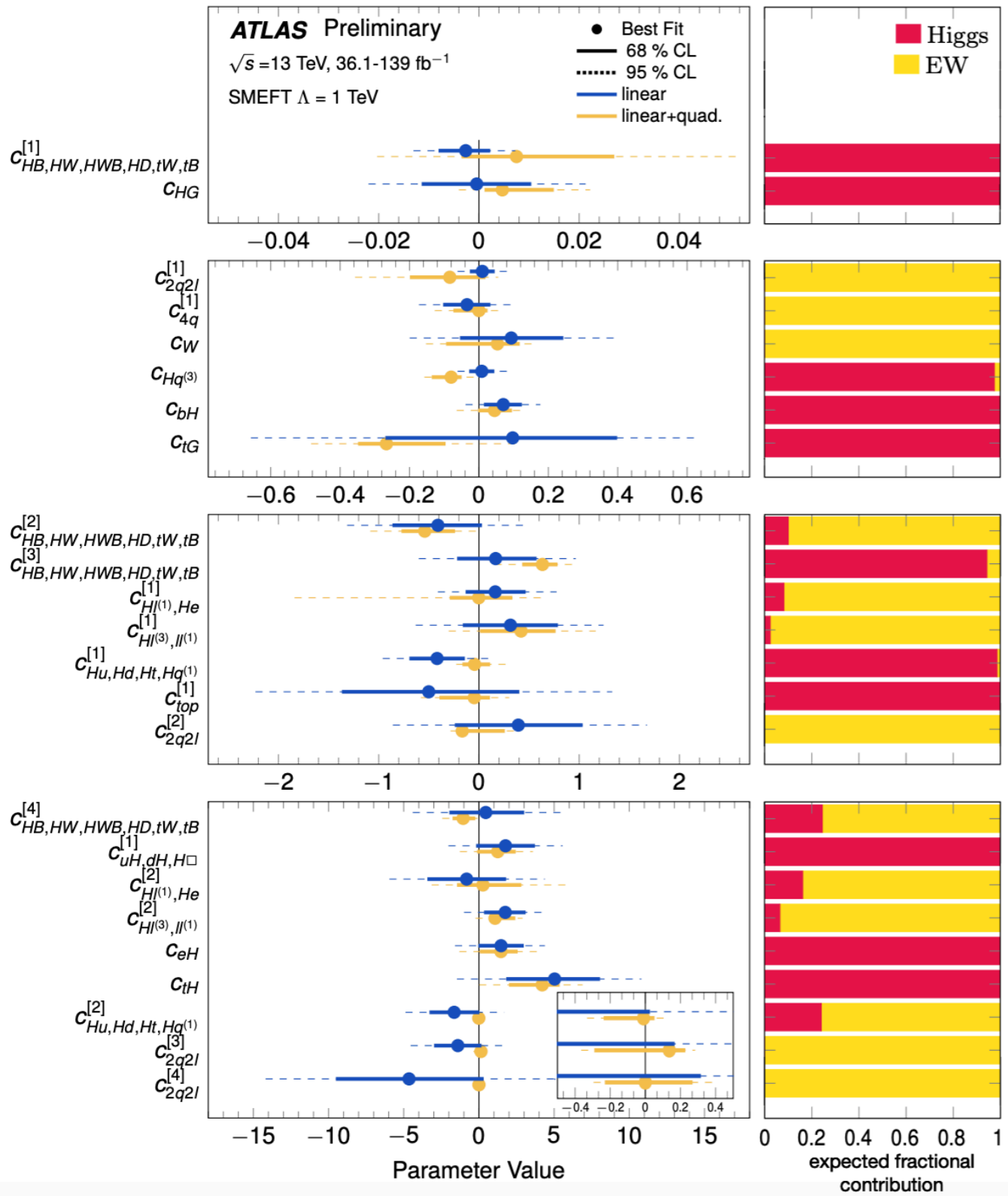
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**SMEFiT: a flexible toolbox for global interpretations of particle physics data with effective field theories**

[https://lhcfitsnikhef.github.io/smefit\\_release/](https://lhcfitsnikhef.github.io/smefit_release/)

Tommaso Giani, Giacomo Magni, and Juan Rojo

# The SMEFiT framework reloaded



For the same inputs, we reproduce the **ATLAS linear EFT results in two different fitting bases**

# Statistically optimal observables for global SMEFT fits

R. Gomez-Ambrosio, J. ter Hoeve, M. Madigan, J. Rojo, V. Sanz, *“Unbinned multivariate observables for global SMEFT analyses from machine learning”*, submitted yesterday to the arXiv

<https://lhcfitefnikhef.github.io/ML4EFT/>

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Which kind of measurement is **most sensitive to SMEFT operators**?

Difficult question to answer in general since SMEFT-sensitive measurements can be:

- Inclusive or (1,2,3, ...)-differential (in which specific variables?)
- Binned (choice of binning?) or unbinned
- Unfolded at parton level, at particle level, or at detector level

*relevant to many other extractions of SM & BSM parameters from data*

**Our approach:**

deploy **unbinned multivariate measurements** to determine the best sensitivity that a given process can have on SMEFT operators by means of **machine learning techniques**

**Gaussian likelihood**

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{n}; \boldsymbol{\nu}(\mathbf{c})) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_b} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \frac{(n_i - \nu_i(\mathbf{c}))^2}{\nu_i(\mathbf{c})} \right]$$

*observed event counts*
*predicted event counts*

*retains full information on event-by-event kinematics*

**Unbinned multivariate likelihood**

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{c}) = \frac{\nu_{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{c})^{N_{\text{ev}}}}{N_{\text{ev}}!} e^{-\nu_{\text{tot}}(\mathbf{c})} \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{ev}}} f_{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{c})$$

*sum over events*
*event probability*

$$f_{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{fid}}(\mathbf{c})} \frac{d\sigma(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c})}{d\mathbf{x}}$$

*event kinematics*

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## *Challenges:*

- Parameter inference requires knowledge of the likelihood for **any value of the EFT coefficients**
- Evaluation of likelihood functions **computationally costly due to high dimensionality** both of the space of kinematic features  $\mathbf{x}$  and of EFT parameters  $\mathbf{c}$

## *Solution:*

- Neural networks as **universal unbiased interpolants** to parametrise high-dimensional likelihoods

# Statistically optimal observables from ML

the dependence of the cross-section on **kinematic variables** and **all EFT coefficients**

$$r_{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) \equiv \frac{f_{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c})}{f_{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{0})} = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n_{\text{eft}}} r_{\sigma}^{(j)}(\mathbf{x}) c_j + \sum_{j=1}^{n_{\text{eft}}} \sum_{k \geq j}^{n_{\text{eft}}} r_{\sigma}^{(j,k)}(\mathbf{x}) c_j c_k$$

parametrised with **neural networks** trained to Monte Carlo simulations & benchmarked with exact calculations

$$\hat{r}_{\sigma}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n_{\text{eft}}} \text{NN}^{(j)}(\mathbf{x}) c_j + \sum_{j=1}^{n_{\text{eft}}} \sum_{k \geq j}^{n_{\text{eft}}} \text{NN}^{(j,k)}(\mathbf{x}) c_j c_k$$

extendable to **arbitrary number** of kinematic variables and EFT coefficients: training can be parallelised

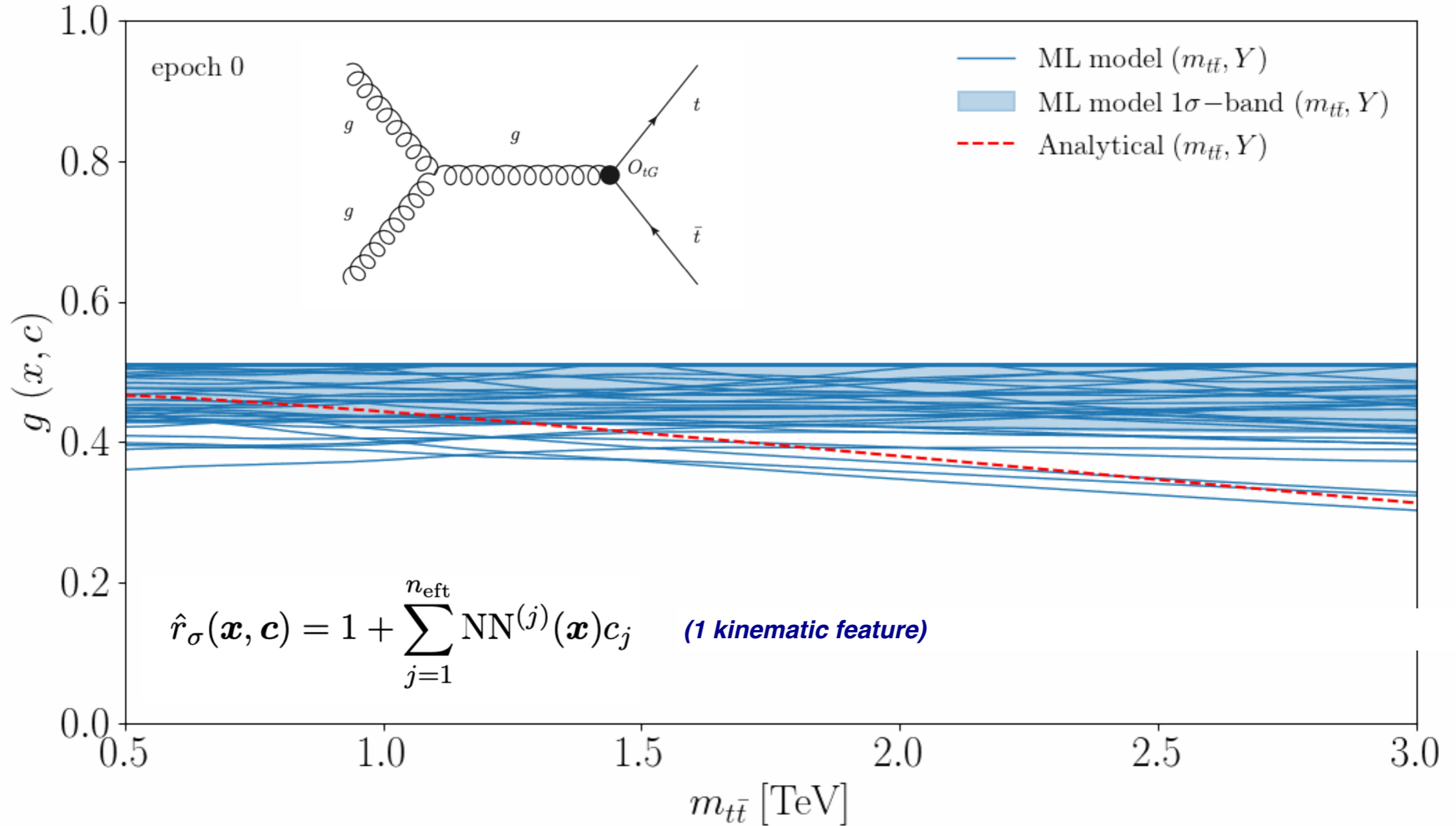
methodological uncertainties (e.g. finite training samples) assess with the **replica method**

$$\hat{r}_{\sigma}^{(i)}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c}) \equiv 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n_{\text{eft}}} \text{NN}_i^{(j)}(\mathbf{x}) c_j + \sum_{j=1}^{n_{\text{eft}}} \sum_{k \geq j}^{n_{\text{eft}}} \text{NN}_i^{(j,k)}(\mathbf{x}) c_j c_k, \quad i = 1, \dots, N_{\text{rep}}$$

*each replica trained to an independent set of MC events*

*representation of the probability distribution in the space of ML models*

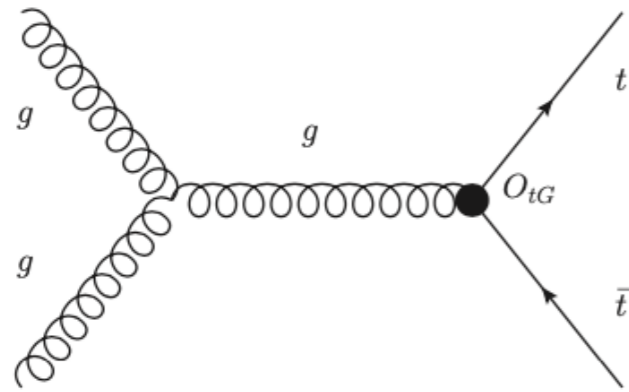
# Neural network training



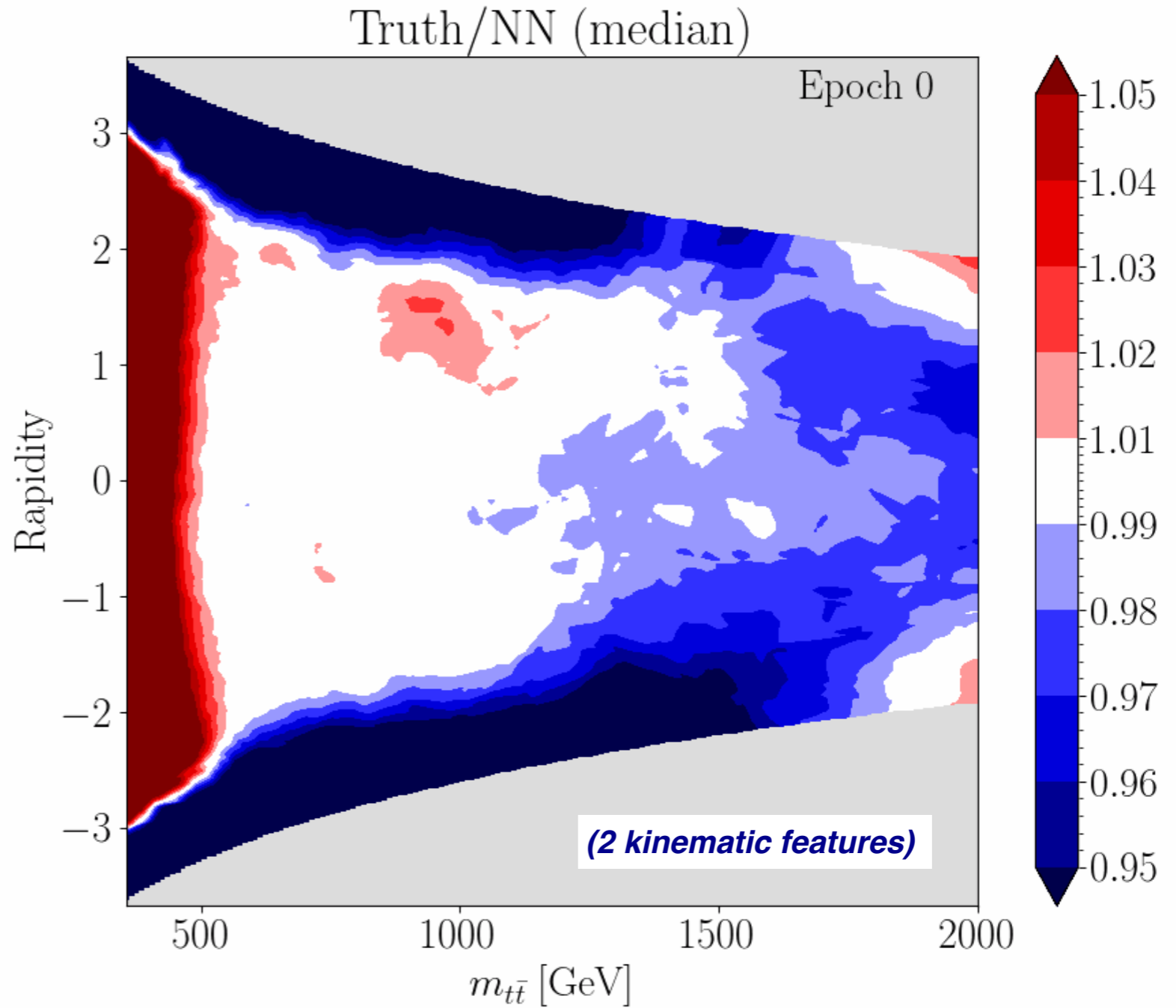
**NN training by minimising cross-entropy loss function**

$$L[g(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c})] = -\sigma_{\text{fid}}(\mathbf{c}) \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{ev}}} \log(1 - g(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{c})) - \sigma_{\text{fid}}(\mathbf{0}) \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\text{ev}}} \log g(\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{c}) \quad g = (1 + r_\sigma)^{-1}$$

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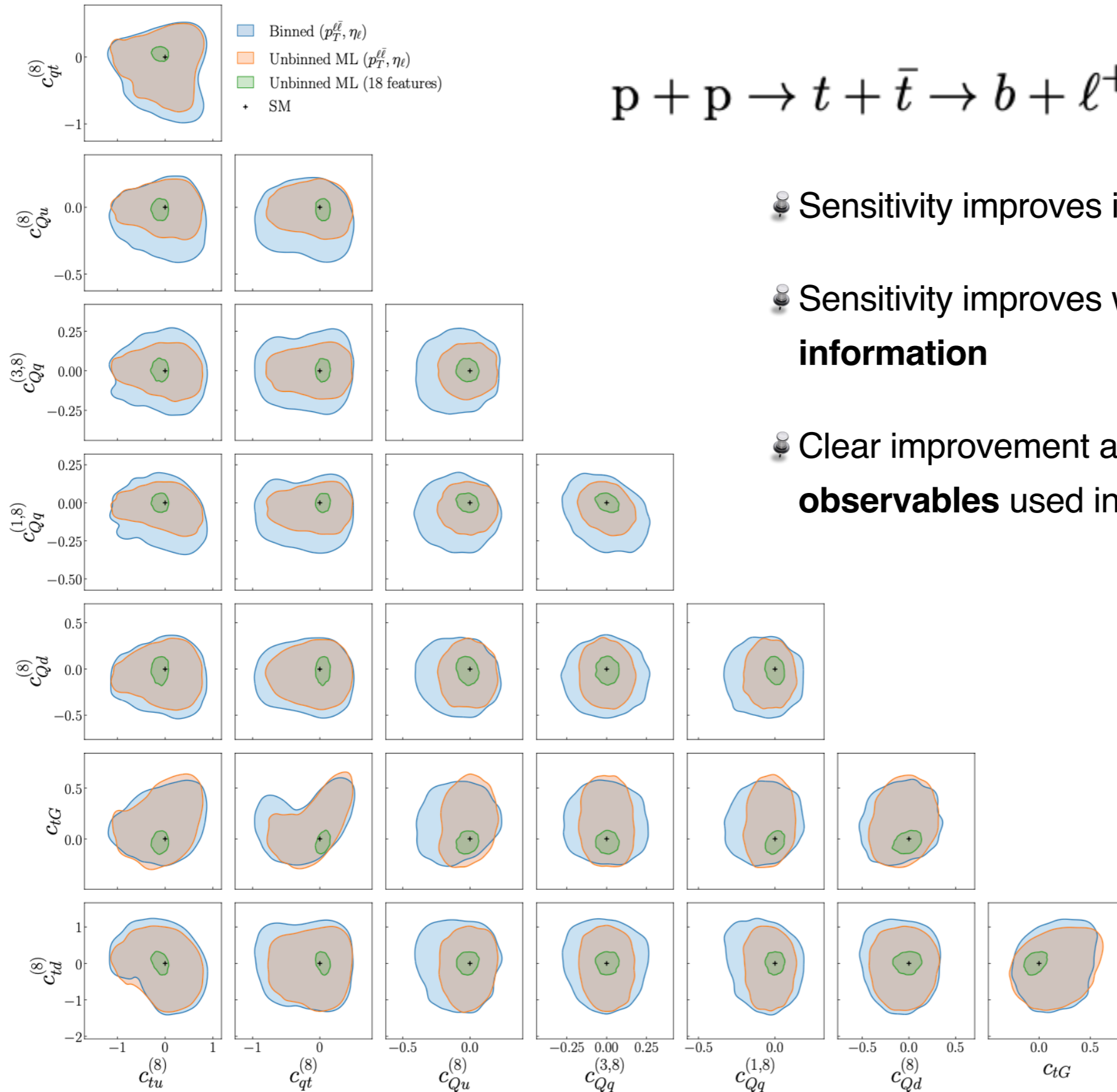
Process	$N_{\text{rep}}$	$c_j^{(\text{tr})}$	$\tilde{N}_{\text{ev}}$ (per replica)	$N_{\text{nn}}$	#trainings
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	50	$c_{tG} = -10$ $c_{tu}^{(8)} = 10$	$10^5$	4	200
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell^+\ell^-\nu_\ell\bar{\nu}_\ell$	25	$c_{td}^{(8)} = 10$ $c_{Qd}^{(8)} = 10$ $c_{Qq}^{(1,8)} = 10$ $c_{Qq}^{(3,8)} = 10$ $c_{Qu}^{(8)} = 10$ $c_{tG} = -10$ $c_{qt}^{(8)} = 10$ $c_{tu}^{(8)} = 10$	$10^5$	40	1000
$pp \rightarrow hZ \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell^+\ell^-$	50	$c_{\varphi u} = 10$ $c_{\varphi d} = -10$ $c_{\varphi q}^{(1)} = -10$ $c_{\varphi q}^{(3)} = 10$ $c_{b\varphi} = -10$ $c_{\varphi W} = 10$ $c_{\varphi WB} = 10$	$10^5$	30	1500

- 🔗 The number of NN to be trained **grows quadratically with number of EFT parameters**, yet is fully paralellizable
- 🔗 A realistic scenario requires training **several thousands of NNs**, each with between 10 and 20 input kinematic features

process	features	hidden layers	learning rate	$n_{\text{batch}}$	time (min)
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	$m_{t\bar{t}}$	$25 \times 25 \times 25$	$10^{-3}$	5	$17.3 \pm 13.9$
	$m_{t\bar{t}}, y_{t\bar{t}}$	$25 \times 25 \times 25$	$10^{-3}$	5	$16.4 \pm 12.7$
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell^+\ell^-\nu_\ell\bar{\nu}_\ell$	$p_T^{\ell\bar{\ell}}$	$25 \times 25 \times 25$	$10^{-3}$	1	$46.8 \pm 35.0$
	$p_T^{\ell\bar{\ell}}, \eta_\ell$	$25 \times 25 \times 25$	$10^{-3}$	1	$53.7 \pm 29.9$
	18	$100 \times 100 \times 100$	$10^{-4}$	50	$5.4 \pm 2.7$
$pp \rightarrow hZ \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell^+\ell^-$	$p_T^Z$	$100 \times 100 \times 100$	$10^{-3}$	100	$9.4 \pm 9.0$
	7	$100 \times 100 \times 100$	$10^{-4}$	50	$14.1 \pm 8.7$

# Results: top quark pair production

Marginalised 95 % C.L. intervals,  $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$  at  $\mathcal{L} = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

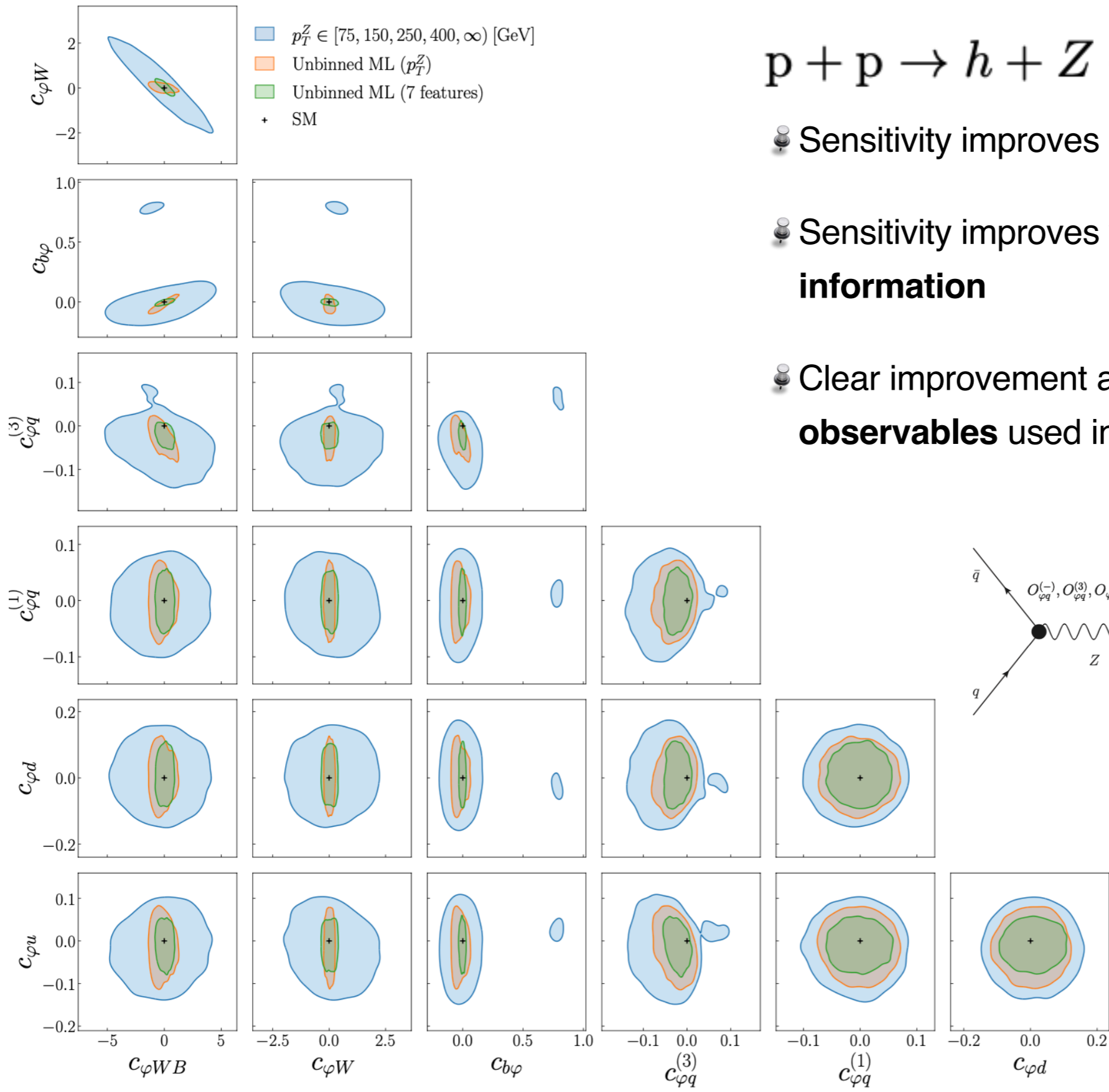


$$p + p \rightarrow t + \bar{t} \rightarrow b + \ell^+ + \nu_{\ell} + \bar{b} + \ell^- + \bar{\nu}_{\ell}$$

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- 📌 Clear improvement as compared to **traditional observables** used in EFT fits

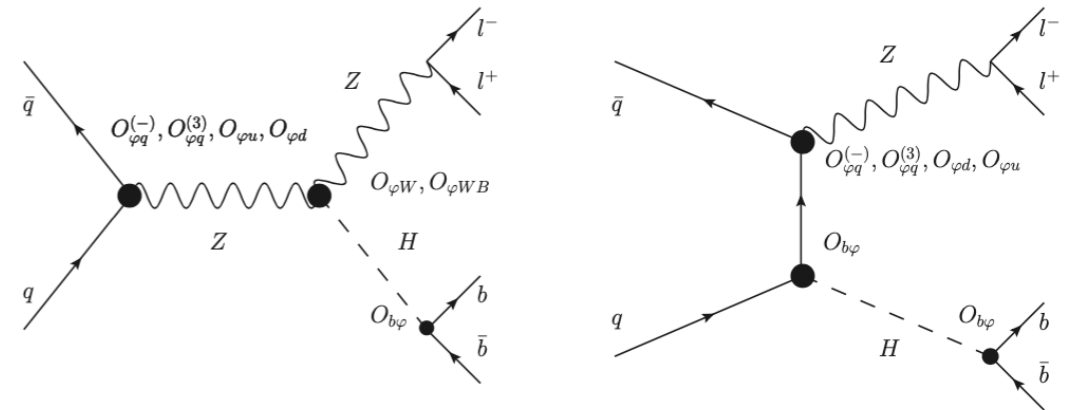
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$$p + p \rightarrow h + Z \rightarrow b + \bar{b} + \ell^+ + \ell^-$$

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# Can New Physics Hide Inside the Proton?

*S. Carrazza et al, "Can New Physics hide inside the proton?," Phys. Rev. Lett. 23 (2019) no.13, 132001, [arXiv:1905.05215 [hep-ph]].*

*A. Greljo et al, "Parton distributions in the SMEFT from high-energy Drell-Yan tails," JHEP 07 (2021), 122 [arXiv:2104.02723 [hep-ph]].*

# Can New Physics hide inside the proton?

“How can you be sure you are not reabsorbing BSM physics into PDF fits?”

Assuming the **SM**, the theory calculations that enter a global PDF fit are:

$$\sigma_{\text{LHC}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \propto \sum_{ij=u,d,g,\dots} \int_{M^2}^s d\hat{s} \mathcal{L}_{ij}(\hat{s}, s, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{SM},ij}(\hat{s}, \alpha_s(M))$$

**SM PDFs**

However in the case of BSM physics, here parametrised by the **SMEFT**, the correct expression is:

$$\sigma_{\text{LHC}}(\mathbf{c}, \Lambda, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \simeq \left( \int_{M^2}^s d\hat{s} \mathcal{L}_{ij}(\hat{s}, s, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \tilde{\sigma}_{\text{SM},ij}(\hat{s}, \alpha_s(M)) \right) \times \left( 1 + \sum_{m=1}^{N_6} c_m \frac{\kappa_m}{\Lambda^2} + \sum_{m,n=1}^{N_6} c_m c_n \frac{\kappa_{mn}}{\Lambda^4} \right),$$

**SMEFT PDFs**

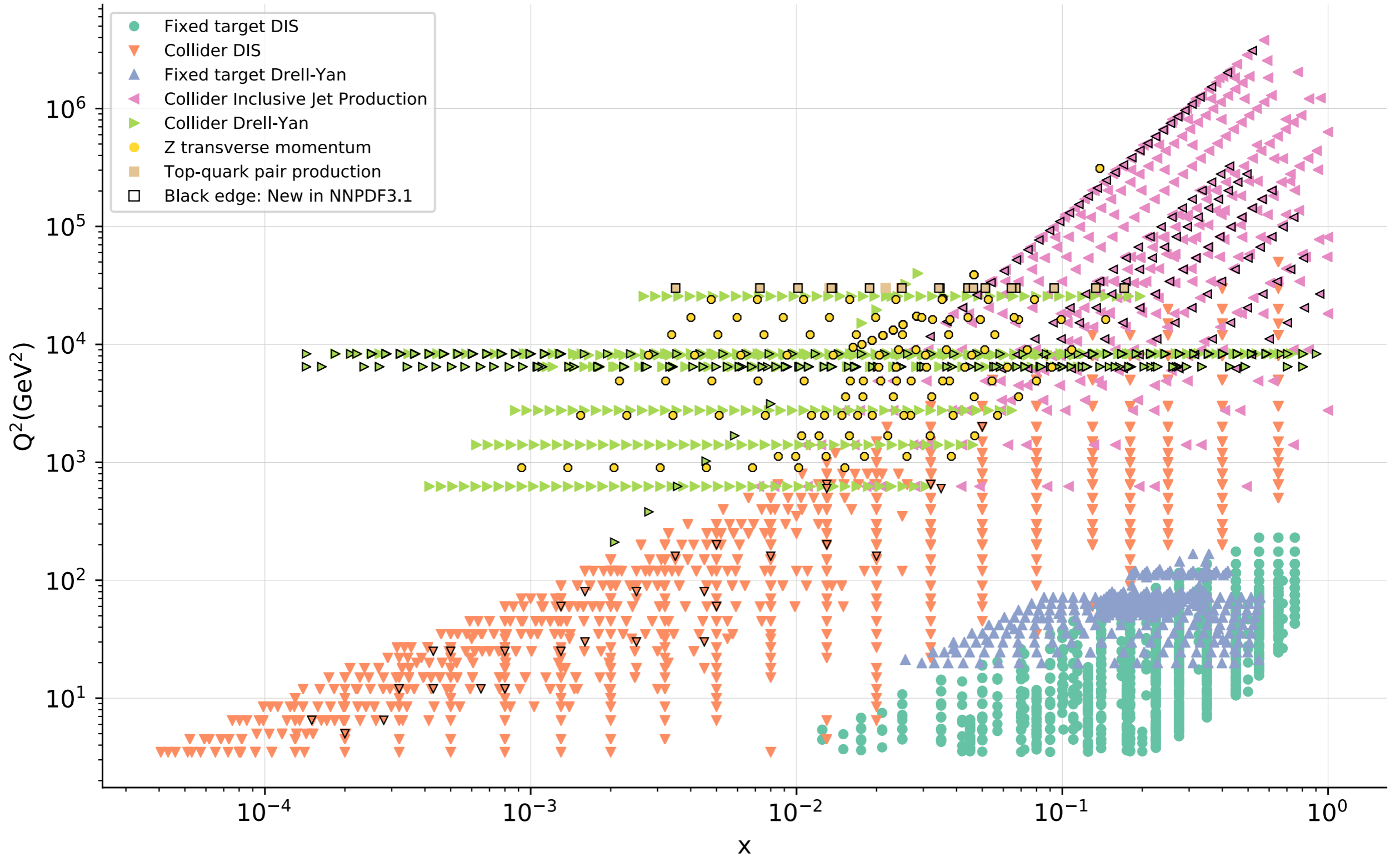
**PDF parameters**

**SMEFT coefficients**

How different are “SM PDFs” & “SMEFT PDFs”? Can we quantify the risk of **fitting away BSM** in PDFs?

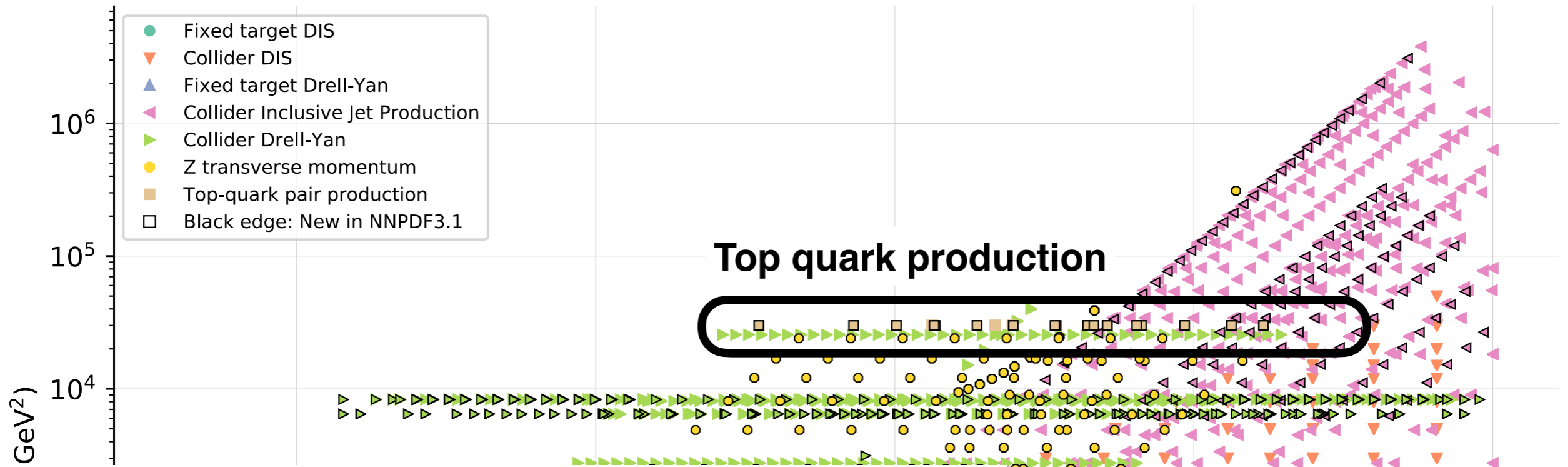
# SMEFT & PDFs

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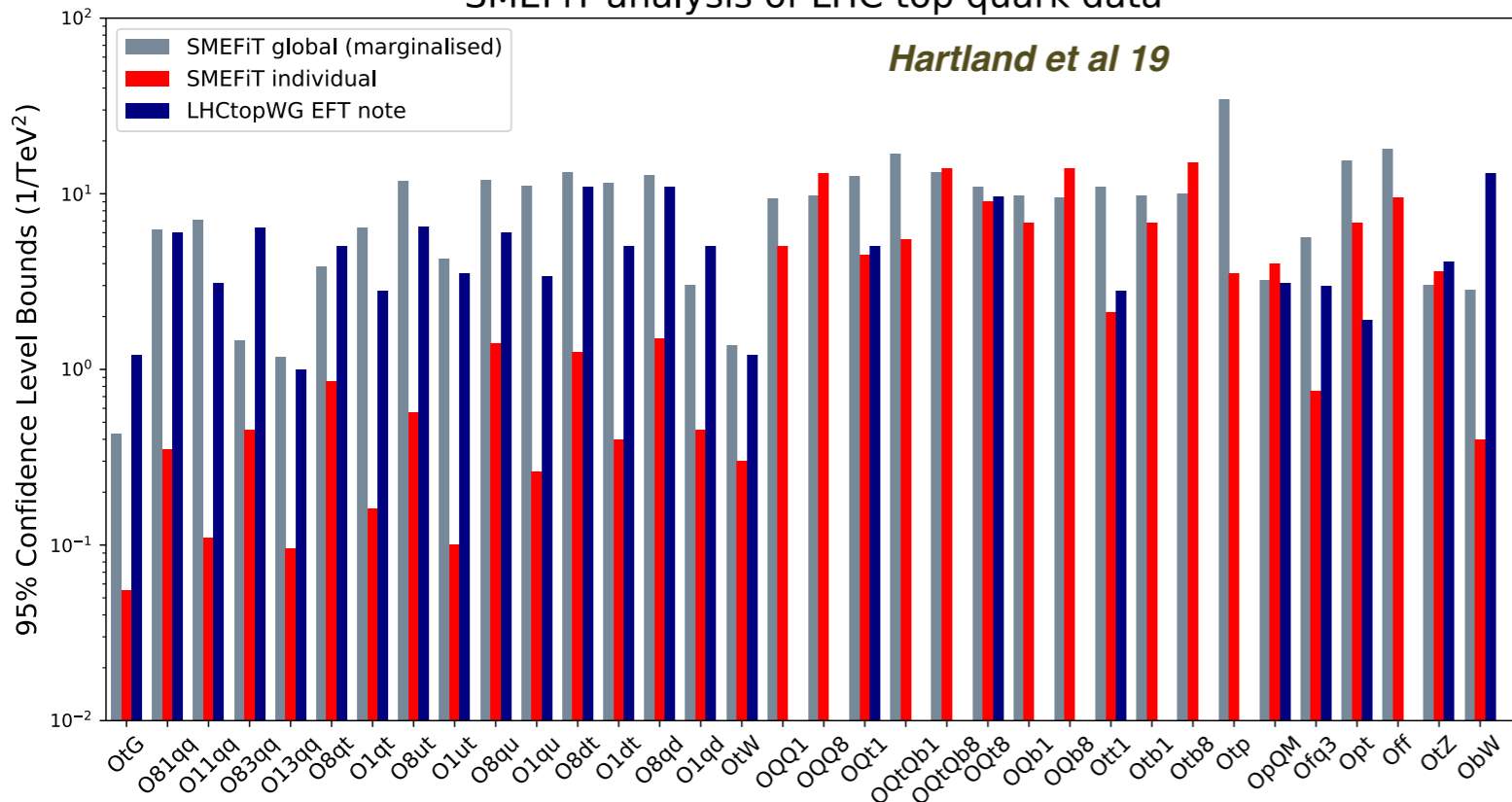


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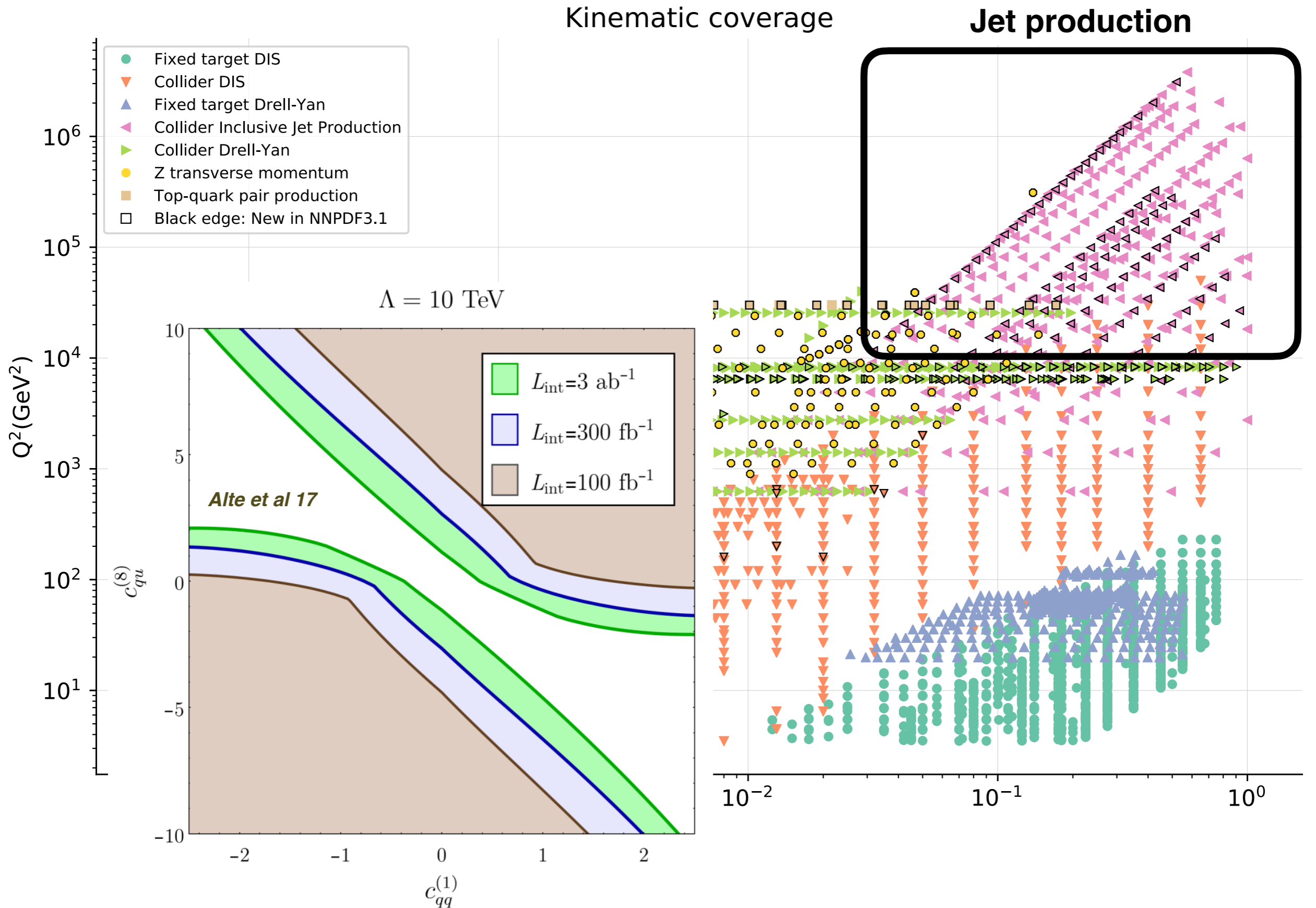
## Kinematic coverage



## SMEFiT analysis of LHC top quark data



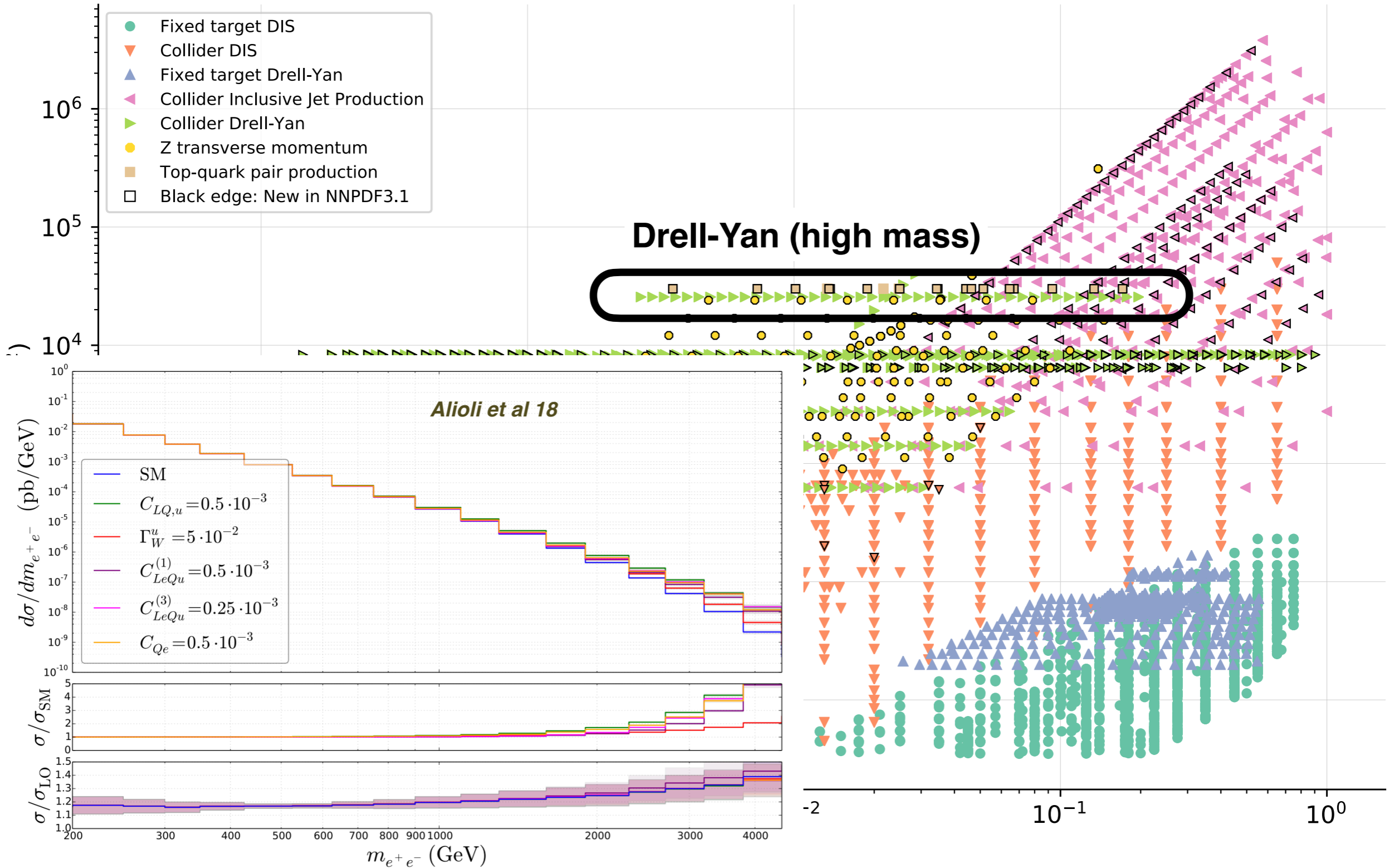
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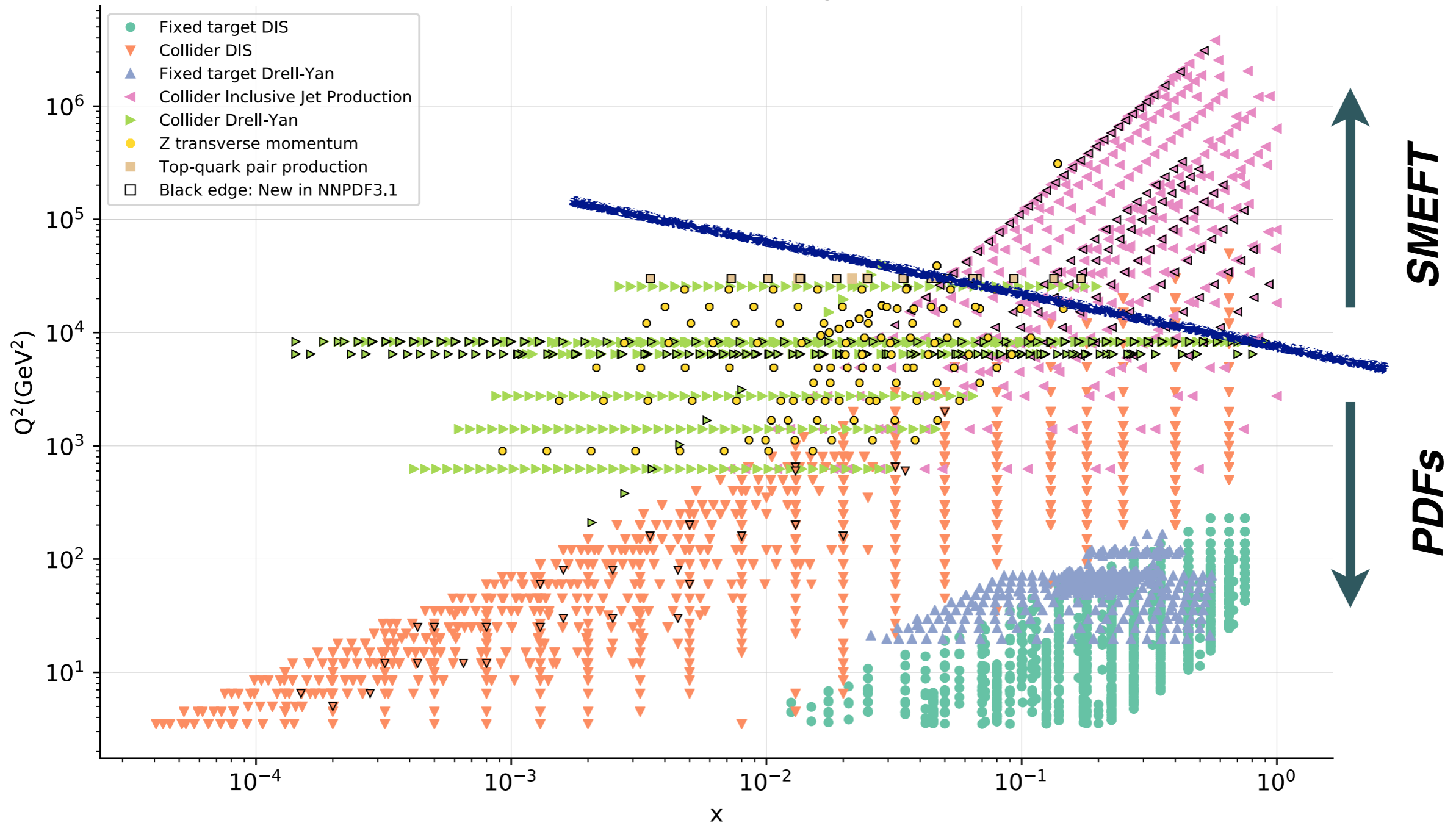
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# SMEFT & PDFs

Separate LHC data into **input for PDF fits** and **input for SMEFT studies**?

Kinematic coverage



significant **information loss on PDFs**, specially in crucial large- $x$  region

# SMEFT PDFs from high-E Drell-Yan

Exp.	$\sqrt{s}$ (TeV)	Ref.	$\mathcal{L}$ (fb $^{-1}$ )	Channel	1D/2D	$n_{\text{dat}}$	$m_{\ell\ell}^{\text{max}}$ (TeV)
ATLAS	7	[120]	4.9	$e^-e^+$	1D	13	[1.0, 1.5]
ATLAS (*)	8	[86]	20.3	$\ell^-\ell^+$	2D	46	[0.5, 1.5]
CMS	7	[121]	9.3	$\mu^-\mu^+$	2D	127	[0.2, 1.5]
CMS (*)	8	[87]	19.7	$\ell^-\ell^+$	1D	41	[1.5, 2.0]
CMS (*)	13	[122]	5.1	$e^-e^+, \mu^-\mu^+$ $\ell^-\ell^+$	1D	43, 43 43	[1.5, 3.0]
<b>Total</b>						<b>270 (313)</b>	

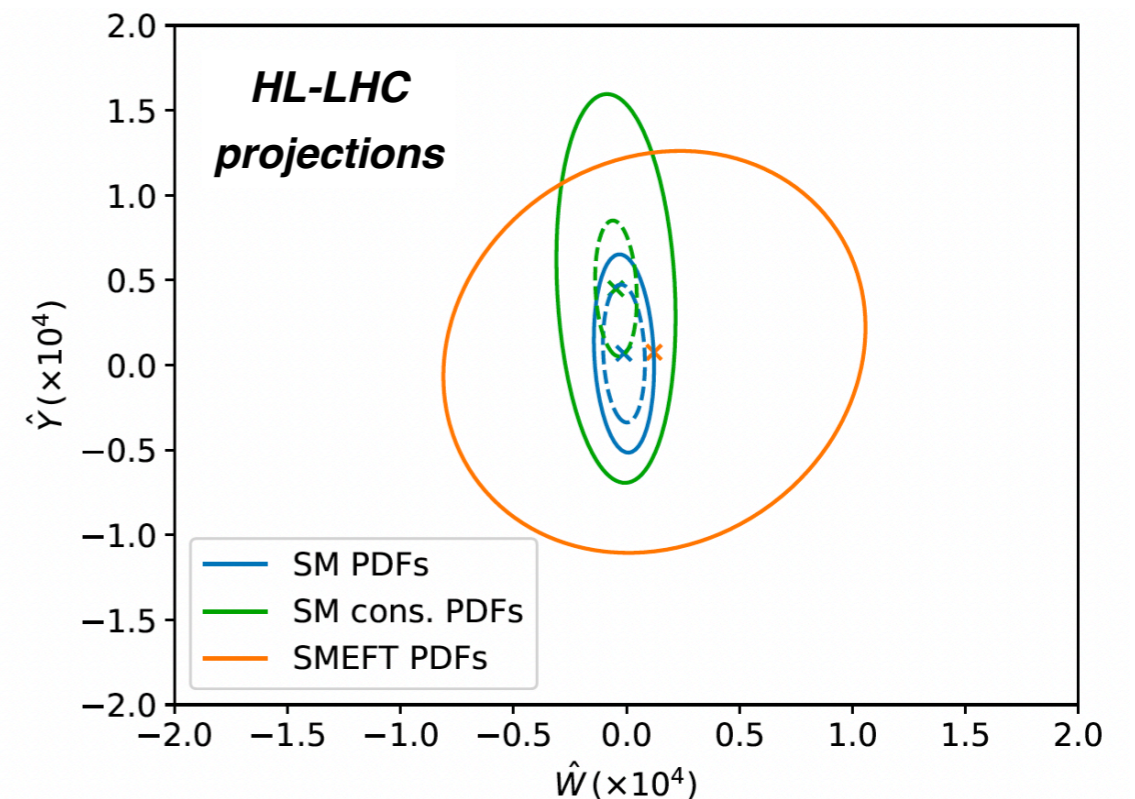
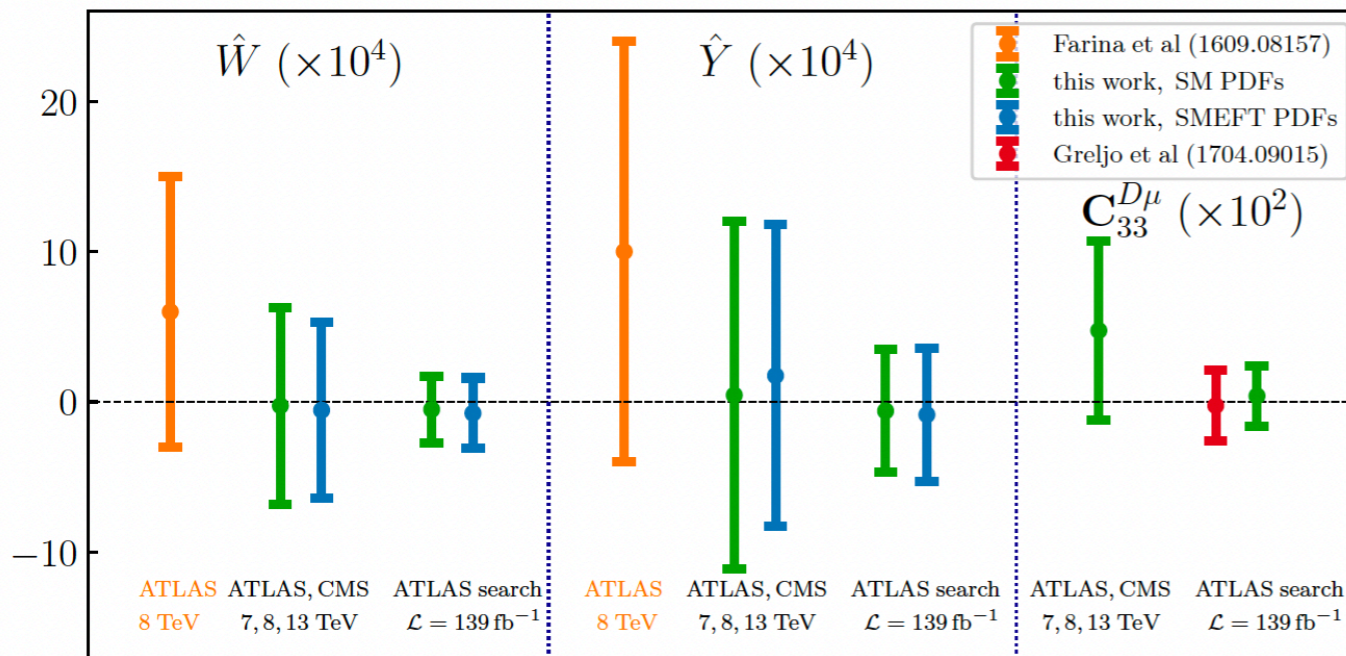
Extract PDFs from global fit where **high-mass DY cross-sections** account for EFT effects in two benchmark scenarios

$$d\sigma_{\text{SMEFT}} = d\sigma_{\text{SM}} \times K_{\text{EFT}}$$

$$K_{\text{EFT}} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{n_{\text{op}}} c_n R_{\text{SMEFT}}^{(n)} + \sum_{n,m=1}^{n_{\text{op}}} c_n c_m R_{\text{SMEFT}}^{(n,m)}$$

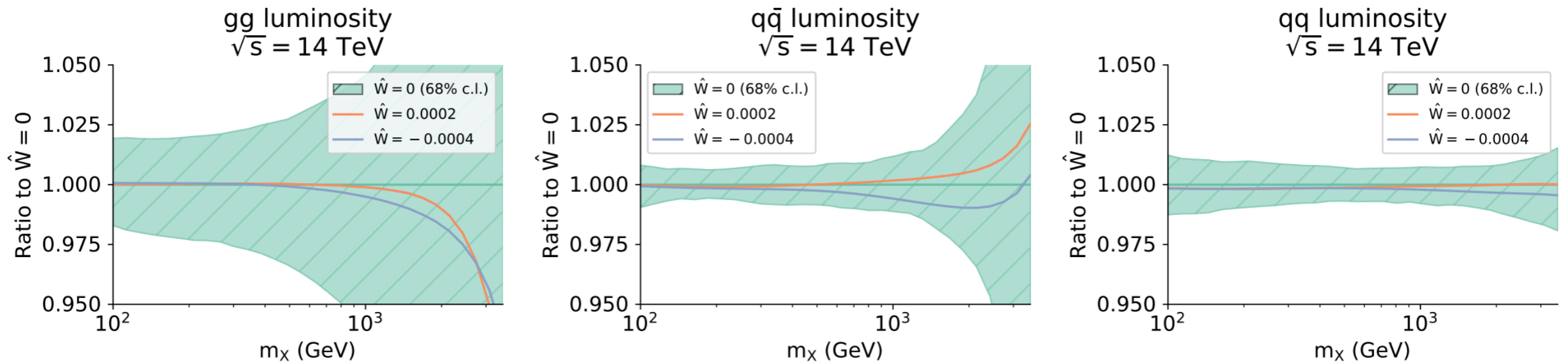
Available data: limited interplay between PDF and EFT fits, best constraints from **searches**

HL-LHC: EFT effects, if present, would be **reabsorbed into PDFs**

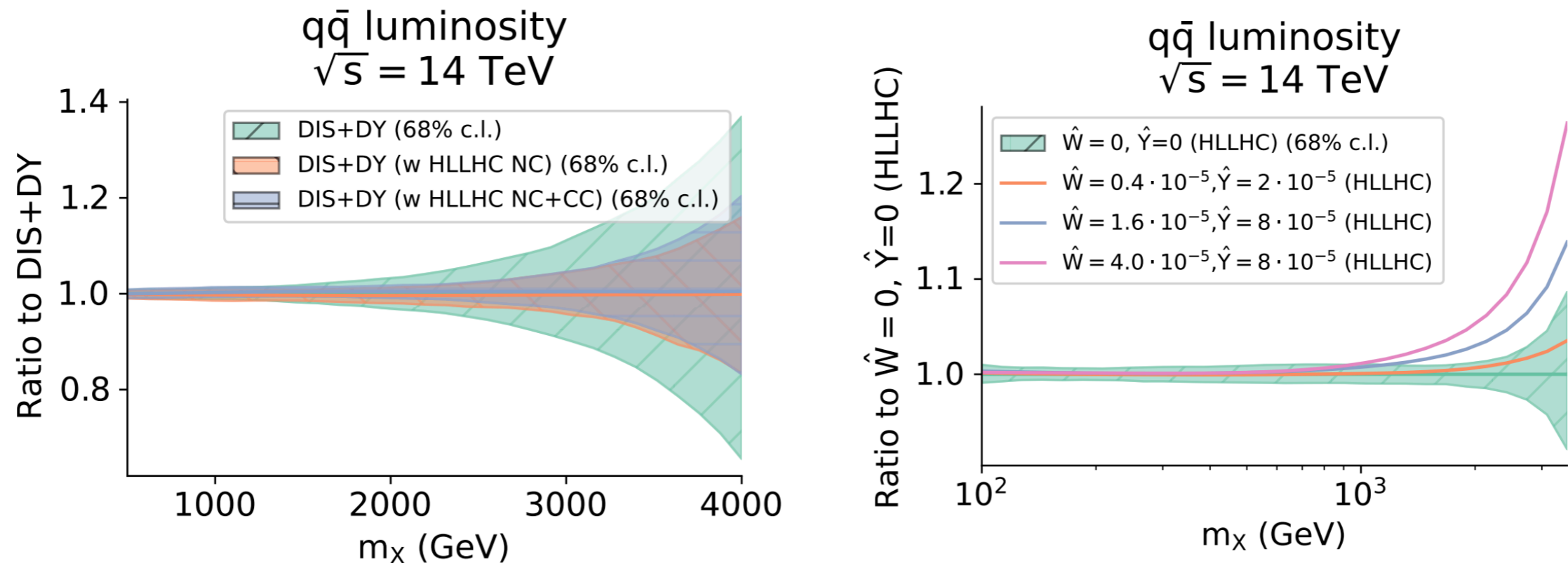


# SMEFT PDFs from high-E Drell-Yan

with current (published) DY data, interplay between PDF and EFT effects **moderate** ....

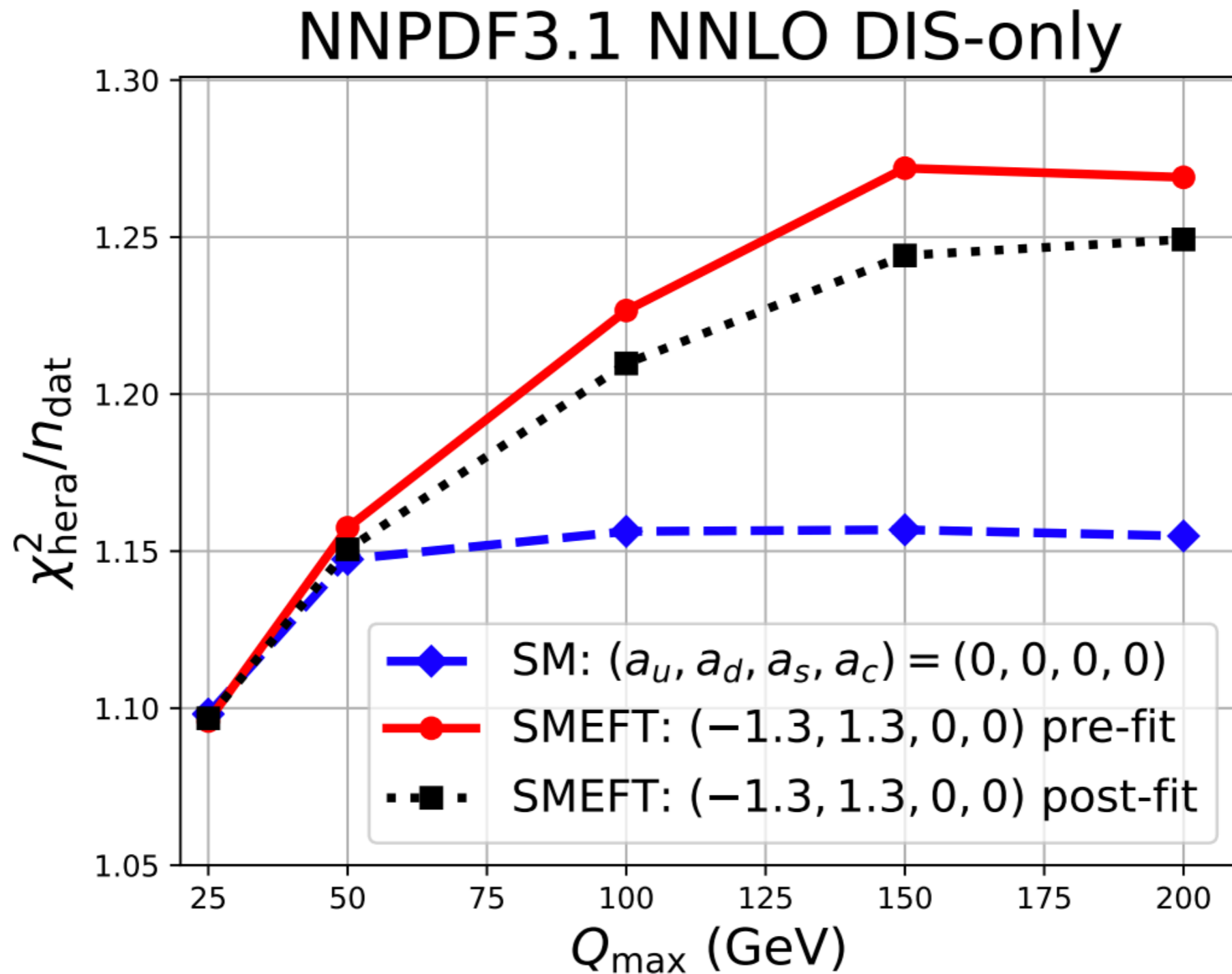


... while at the HL-LHC EFT effects may be **reabsorbed into the PDFs**: careful separation required



# Fingerprinting EFT effects

Tell-tale sign of SMEFT effects: **rapid variation with  $Q$**  (with QCD evolution slower)



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**Thanks for your attention!**