

Probing Higgs couplings to light quarks via Higgs pair production

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Higgs “flavour”

Higgs boson is the source of “flavour” in the SM

- In the SM, all quarks couple to the Higgs via Yukawa term,

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{ij} y_u^{ij} \bar{Q}_L^i \tilde{H} u_R^j + y_d^{ij} \bar{Q}_L^i H d_R^j + \text{h.c}$$

- This is not only the source of quark masses, but also the source of flavour symmetry breaking, with the broken generators giving rise to the CKM matrix

$$SU(3)_Q \otimes SU(3)_u \otimes SU(3)_d \rightarrow U(1)_B$$

10 (free parameters = 6 (quark masses) + 3 (CKM angles) + 1 (CP phase))

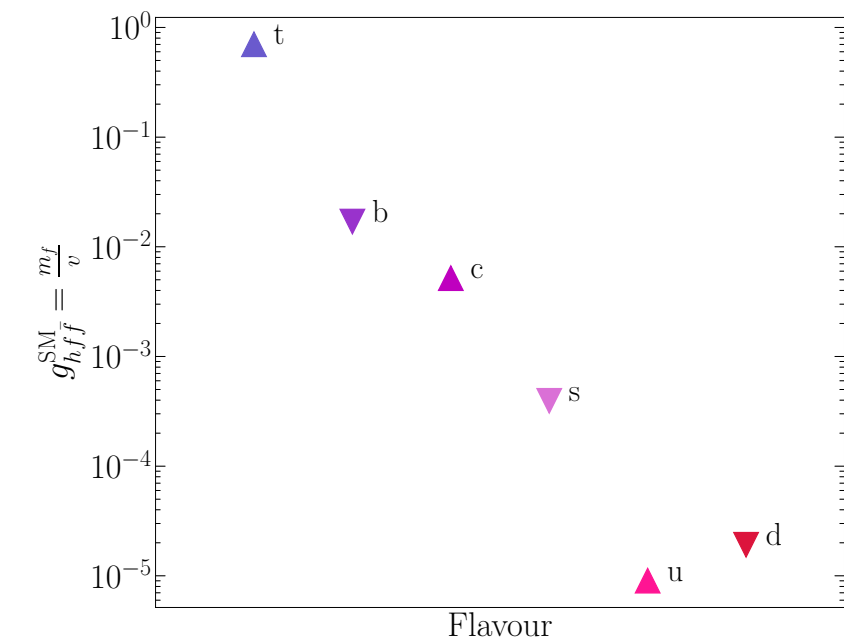
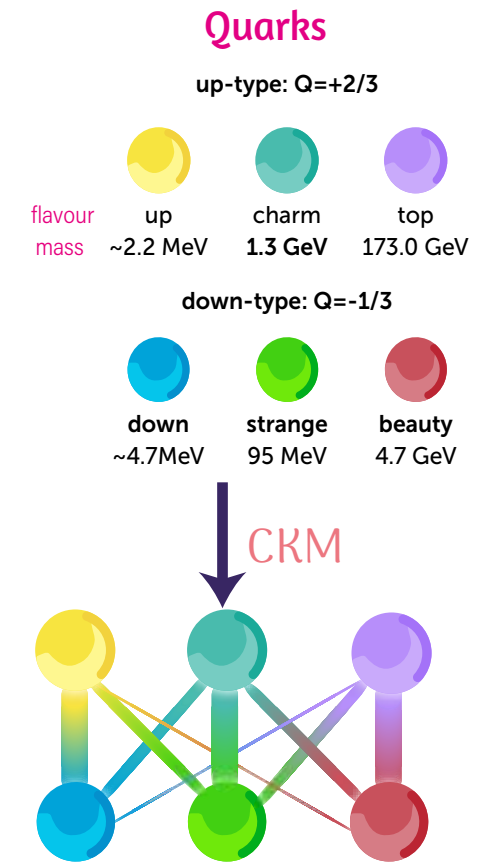
- The large hierarchy in the quark masses remains a puzzle in the SM known as the “old” flavour puzzle .

Why the Higgs couples so differently to different generations ?

- Higgs coupling to light quarks, i.e. 1st and 2nd generations are not measured and weakly constrained.

- For constraints on light Yukawa couplings, it is common to define:

$$\bar{\kappa}_q = \frac{g_{hq\bar{q}}}{g_{hb\bar{b}}^{\text{SM}}} \quad \kappa_q = \frac{g_{hq\bar{q}}}{g_{hq\bar{q}}^{\text{SM}}}$$

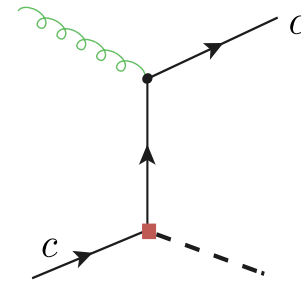


Direct probes of light Yukawa coupling



- H+c production Brivio, Isidori, Goertz (2015).

$$\kappa_c \sim 1 \text{ HL-LHC } 14 \text{ TeV}$$

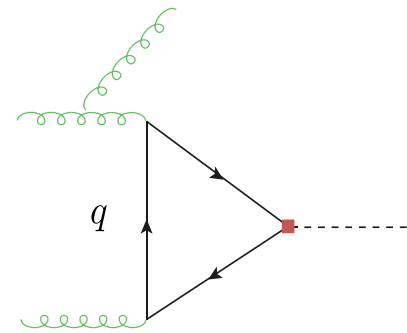


- Kinematics of ggF production of H+j

$$\kappa_c \in (-1.4, 3.8) \text{ LHC run II } 13 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\kappa_c \in (-0.6, 3.0) \text{ HL-LHC } 14 \text{ TeV}$$

Bishara et al (2018)



- Higgs decay to mesons + γ

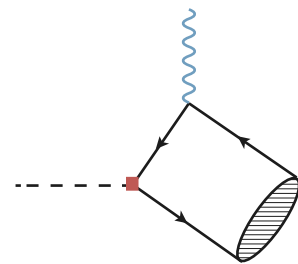
Bodwin et al (2013), Kagan et al (2014) and Konig, Neubert. (2015) ...

$$\kappa_u < 1860$$

$$\kappa_d < 880$$

$$\kappa_s < 290$$

single operator fit LHC run II 13 TeV



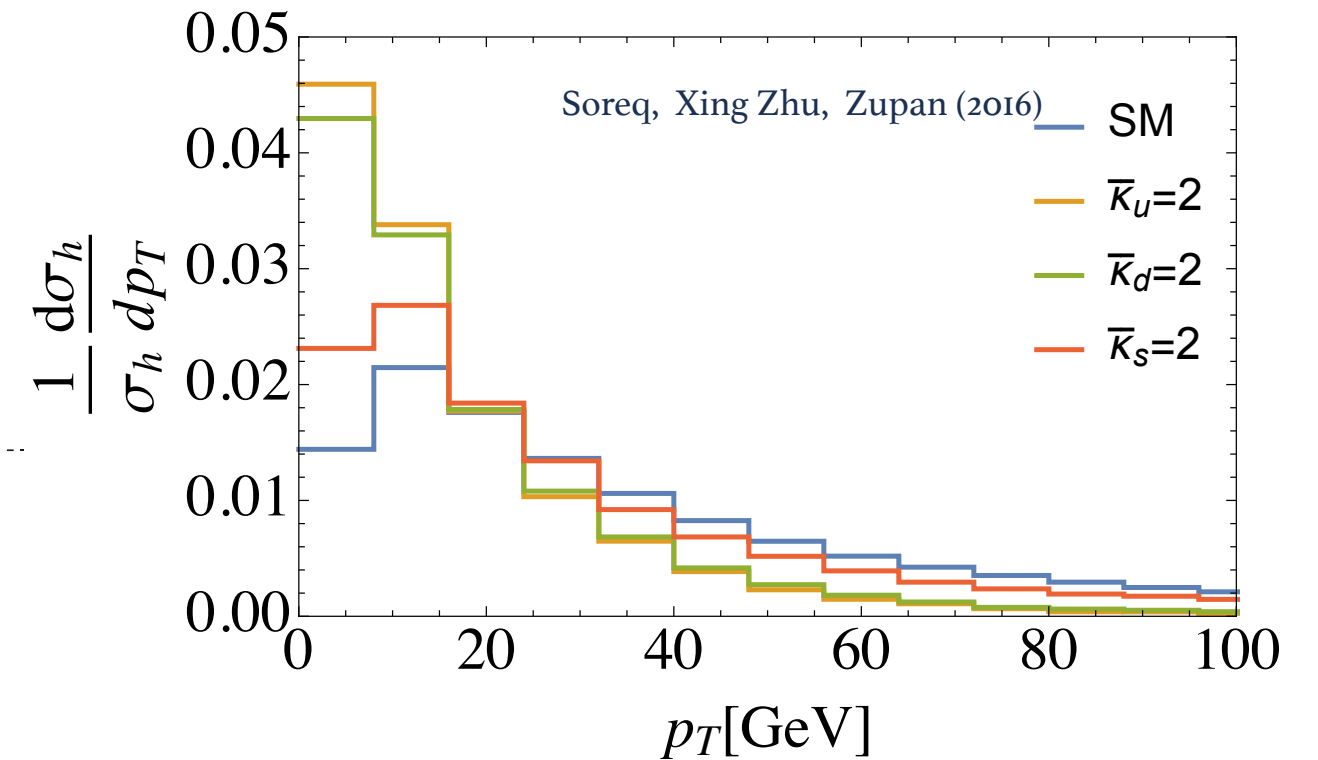
- Higgs kinematics (quark initiated)

Soreq, Xing Zhu, Zupan (2016)

$$\kappa_u < 760$$

$$\kappa_d < 490$$

LHC @ 300 fb⁻¹ 13 TeV



Approaches to probing light quarks Yukawa coupling



- WH production, charge asymmetry Yu (2017)

$$A = \frac{\sigma(W^+h) - \sigma(W^-h)}{\sigma(W^+h) + \sigma(W^-h)}$$

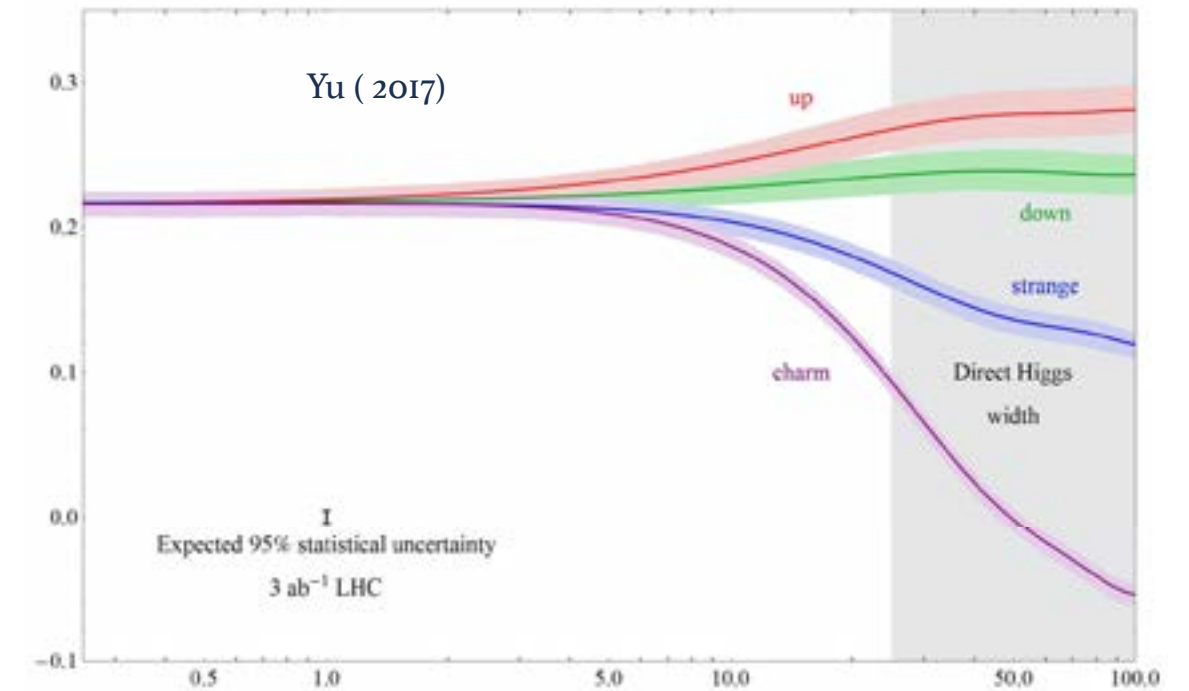
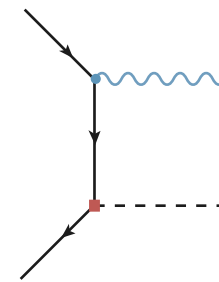
$$\kappa_d < 1200 \quad \kappa_s < 430 \quad \text{HL-LHC 14 TeV}$$

$$\kappa_u < 2500$$

- Higgs + γ Aguilar-Saavedra, Cano, No. (2018).

This can break the degeneracy between up and down type quarks

$$\kappa_u < 2100 \quad \text{HL-LHC 14 TeV}$$



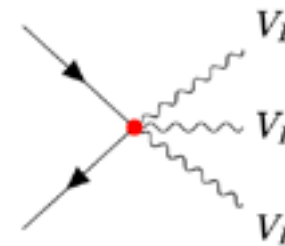
- Triple gauge bosons production Falkowski et al. (2020)

$$\kappa_d < 1100$$

$$\kappa_s < 250$$

$$\kappa_u < 1600$$

HL-LHC 14 TeV from (WWW)



Stay tuned for Natascia Vignaroli's talk to learn more about this channel !

- b-mistagging (VBF, VH, ...) Perez, et al. (2015 and 2016) Kim & Park (2015)

$$\kappa_c < 6.1 \quad \text{HL-LHC 14 TeV (We'll talk about this later)}$$

Direct probes of light Yukawa coupling

- Higgs pair production

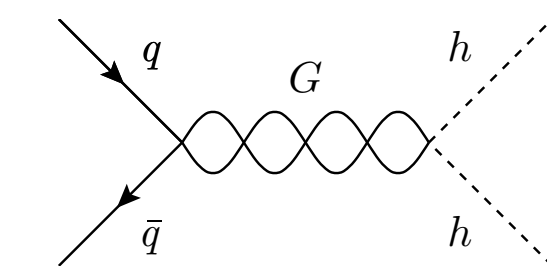
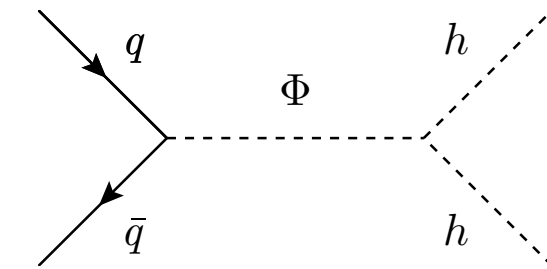
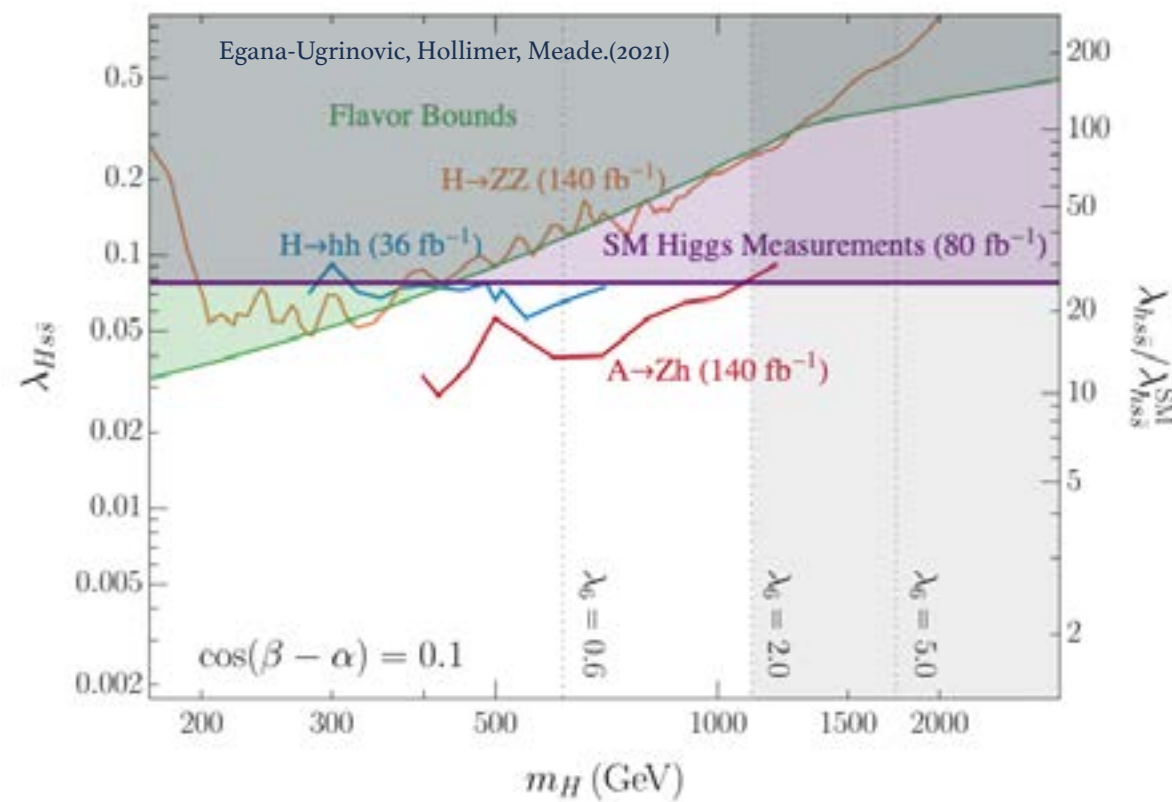
- Model independent

LA, Corral Lopez, Gröber. (2019) Our work

- Model dependent (2HDM)

Martin Bauer, Marcela Carena, Adrián Carmona(2018)

Egana-Ugrinovic, Hollimer, Meade.(2021)

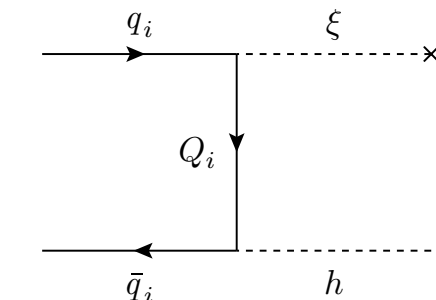
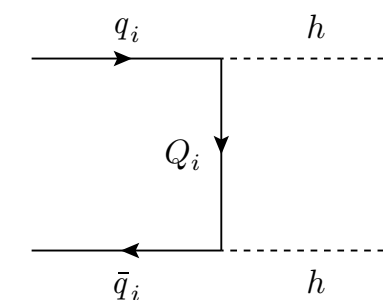


- Other model-dependent analysis :

- Universally enhanced light Yukawa (VLQ's) Shaouly Bar-Shalom, Amarjit Soni (2019)

- Randall-Sundrum like model Harling and Servant (2016)

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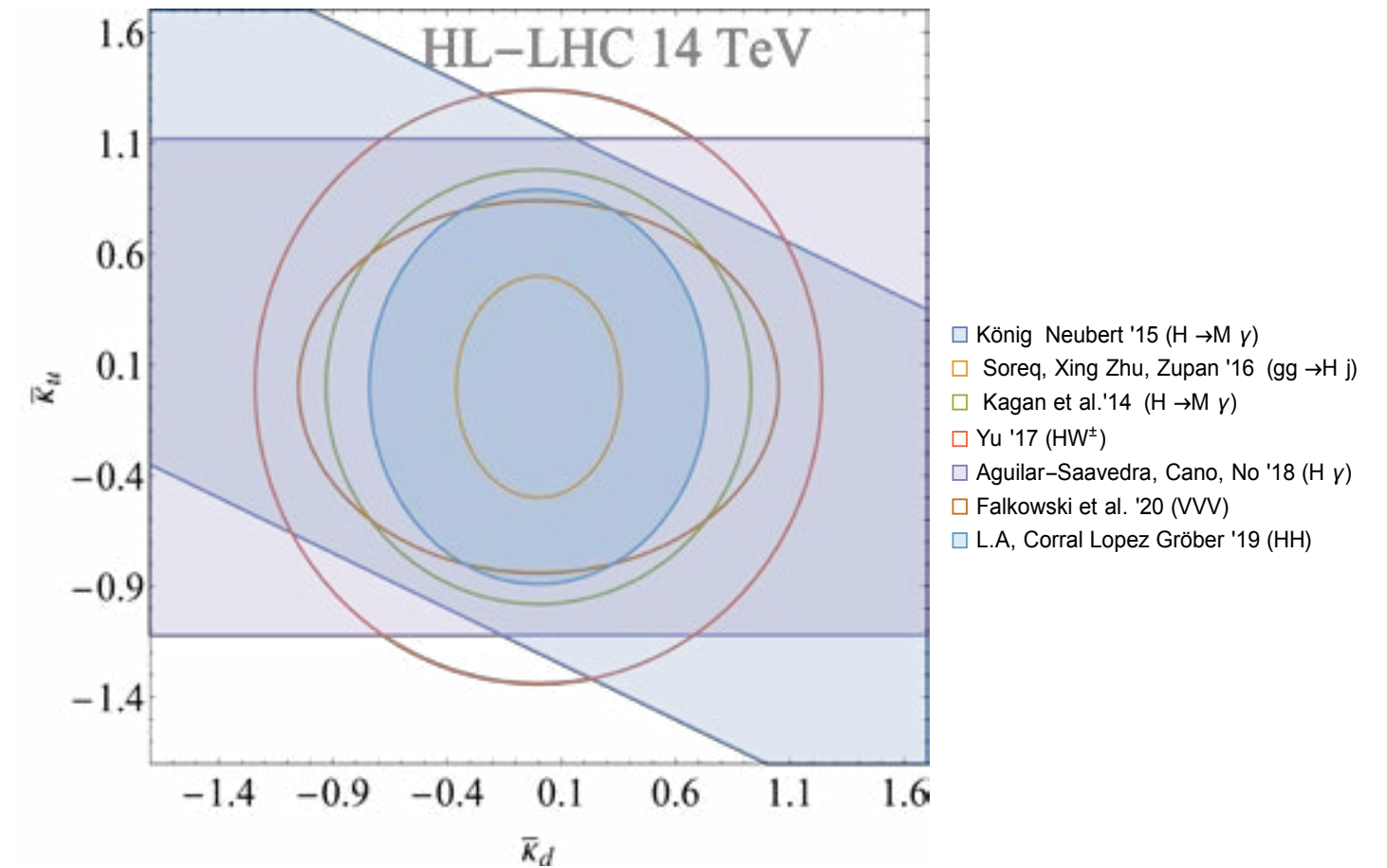
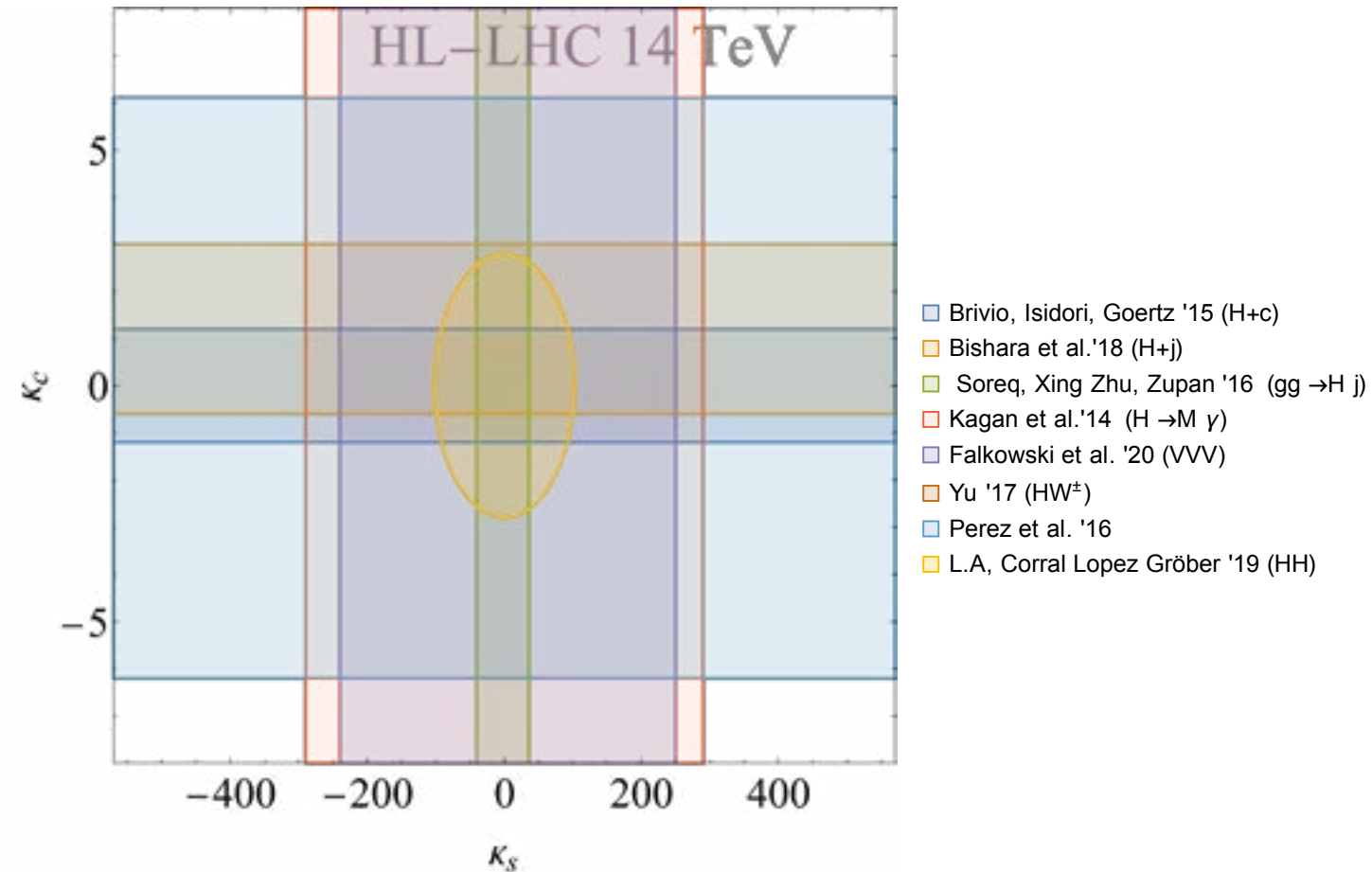
Summery of the current status

- Current approaches are *complementary* to each other.

Each approach studies different combinations of couplings, some can break degeneracies between flavours and so on..

- The global fit, with assumptions on the Higgs width yields more strict bounds . de Blas et al. (2019)

$$|\kappa_u| < 570, \quad |\kappa_d| < 270, \quad |\kappa_s| < 13, \quad |\kappa_c| < 1.2.$$



The assumptions made in each of these studies are generally different, so these plots should be taken with a grain of salt

Effective field theory for Light Yukawa & HH

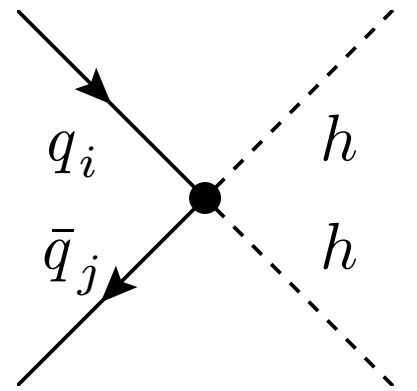
- Usually, when looking at deviations from the SM in Yukawa couplings, the kappa formalism is used
- This is inaccurate when discussing Higgs pair production due to the presence of hhqq coupling.

• There are 2 EFT's one can look at:

-The chiral Lagrangian

$$-\mathcal{L} = \bar{q}_L \frac{m_q}{v} \left(v + c_q h + \frac{c_{qq}}{v} h^2 + \dots \right) q_R + h.c., \quad \longrightarrow \quad g_{h\bar{q}_i q_i} = c_q g_{h\bar{q}_i q_i}^{SM}, \quad g_{hh\bar{q}_i q_i} = \frac{c_{qq} g_{h\bar{q}_i q_i}^{SM}}{v}.$$

This is what is meant by κ typically



$v = 246$ GeV here

-SMEFT, with light quarks dim 6 operators

$$\Delta\mathcal{L}_y = \frac{H^\dagger H}{\Lambda^2} \left(c_{ij}^u \bar{Q}_L^i \tilde{H} u_R^j + c_{ij}^d \bar{Q}_L^i H d_R^j + h.c. \right), \quad \longrightarrow \quad g_{h\bar{q}_i q_j} : \frac{m_{q_i}}{v} \delta_{ij} - \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \frac{\tilde{c}_{ij}^q}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad g_{hh\bar{q}_i q_j} : -\frac{3}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{v}{\Lambda^2} \tilde{c}_{ij}^q$$

One can abuse the kappa formalism and apply it to SMEFT, to get

$$\frac{C_{qH}}{\Lambda^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2} m_q}{v^3} (1 - \kappa_q) \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \begin{cases} g_{h\bar{q}q} = \kappa_q g_{h\bar{q}q}^{SM} \\ g_{hh\bar{q}q} = -\frac{2}{2\sqrt{2}v} (1 - \kappa_q) g_{hh\bar{q}q}^{SM} \end{cases}$$

- Effective field theories (like HEFT and SMEFT) need to include operators modifying light Yukawa in the fits.

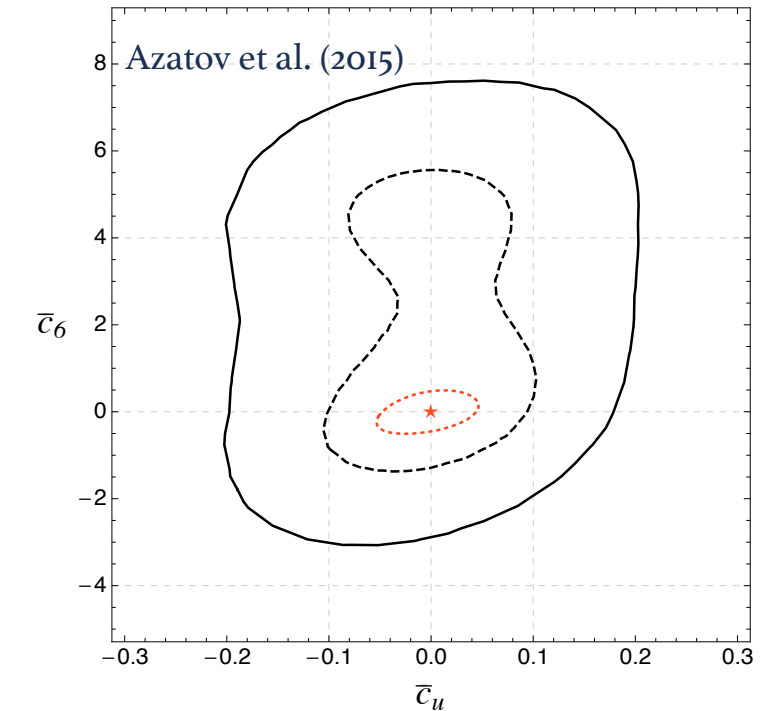
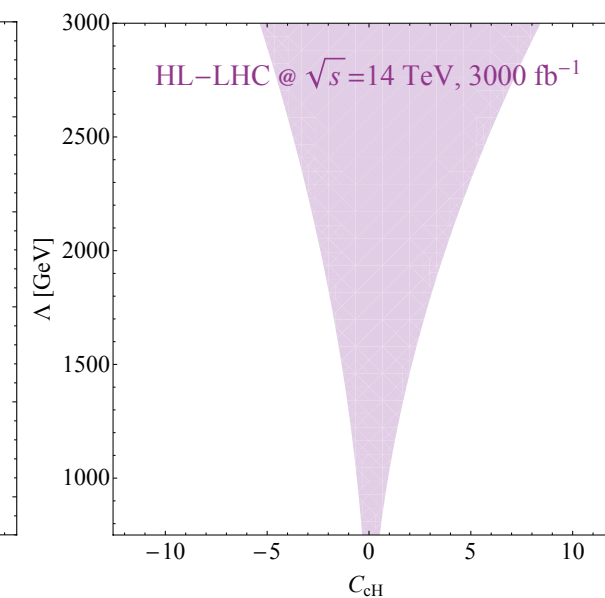
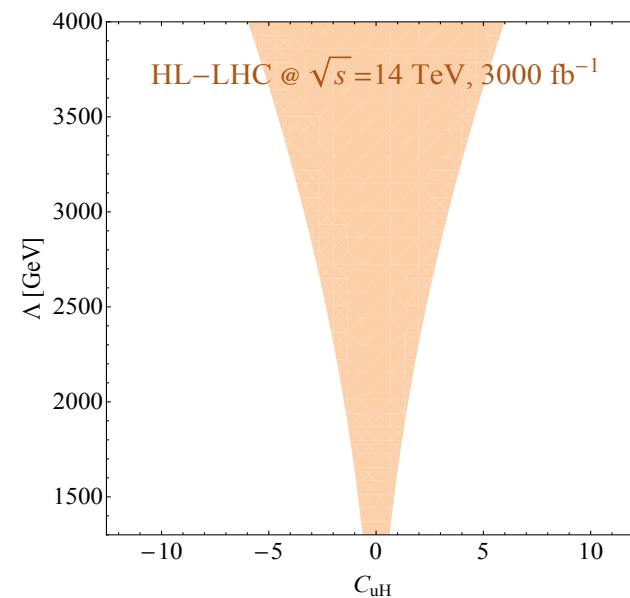
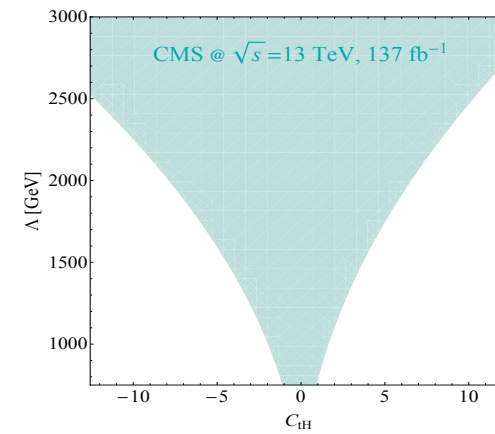
SMEFT prospective

- If one looks strictly within SMEFT, the light quark-Higgs coupling operators are not that far behind !
- Compared to the top-Higgs coupling, both Wilson coefficients are constrained to $\sim O(0.1)$

Any NP model that couples to the Light quarks in a "natural" way and have a small scale would modify light Yukawa couplings by a huge amount.

Such models would be excluded or almost excluded, pushing the scale of NP to few to several TeV.

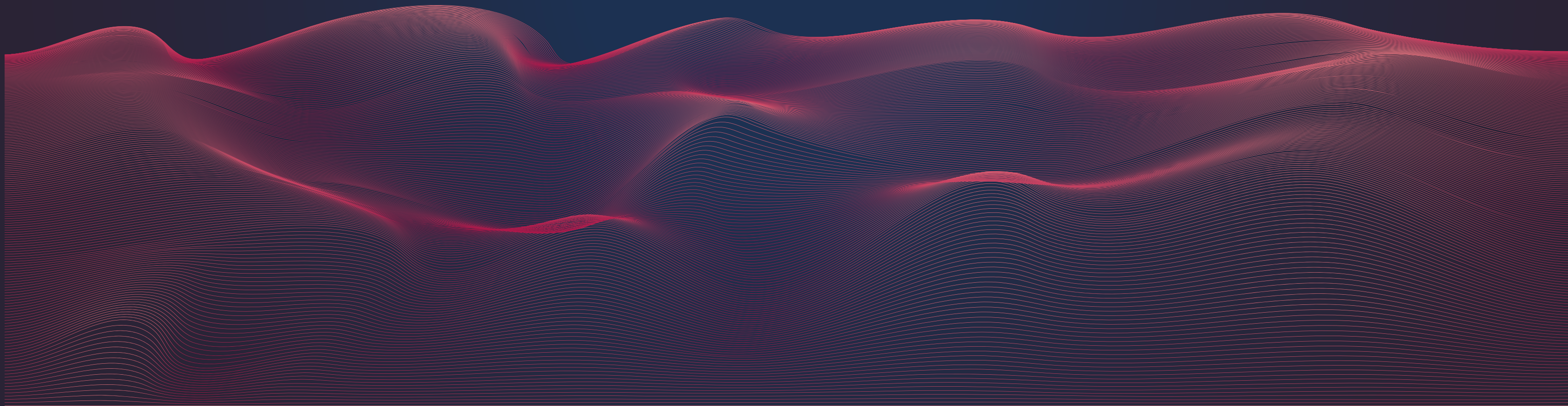
| flavour | $\frac{C_{qH}}{(1-\kappa_q)} \Lambda = 1\text{TeV}$ | $\frac{C_{qH}}{(1-\kappa_q)} \Lambda = 5\text{TeV}$ |
|---------|---|---|
| up | 2.25×10^{-4} | 5.60×10^{-3} |
| down | 4.39×10^{-4} | 1.10×10^{-2} |
| strange | 9.70×10^{-3} | 2.42 |
| charm | 0.17 | 4.34 |
| beauty | 0.43 | 10.70 |
| top | 17.6 | 439.90 |



- UV complete models could be matched to SMEFT operator C_{qH} universally and still be safe from exclusion. Inducing large modifications to light quarks.

However, the challenge is to prevent FCNC's from flavour non-diagonal C_{qH} , (MFV, SFV, AFV...) Egana-Ugrinovic, Homiller, Meade (2019)

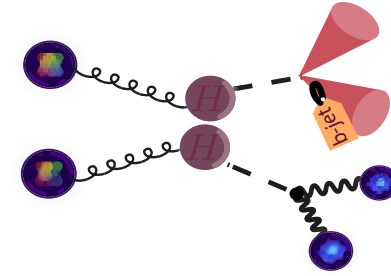
Our Work



Bounds from HH on 1st generation

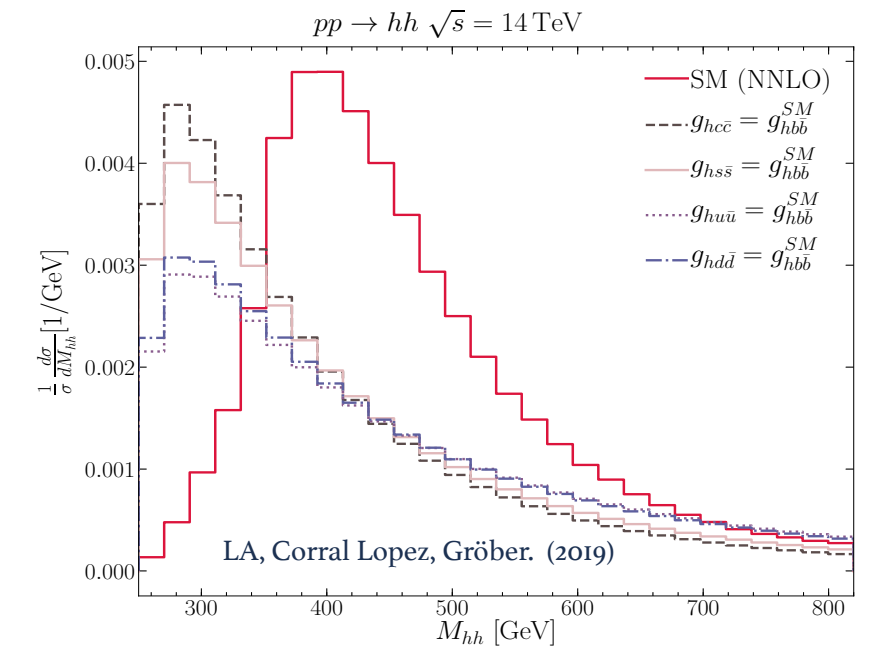
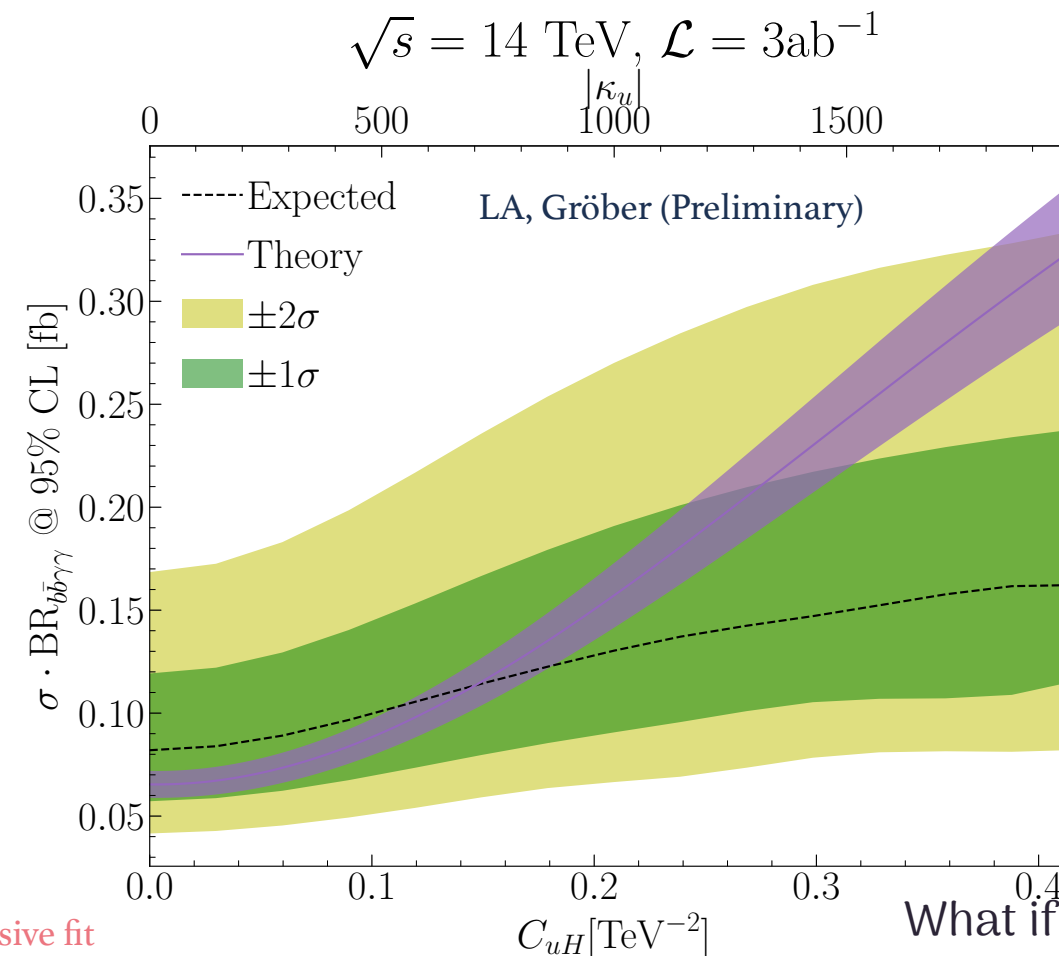
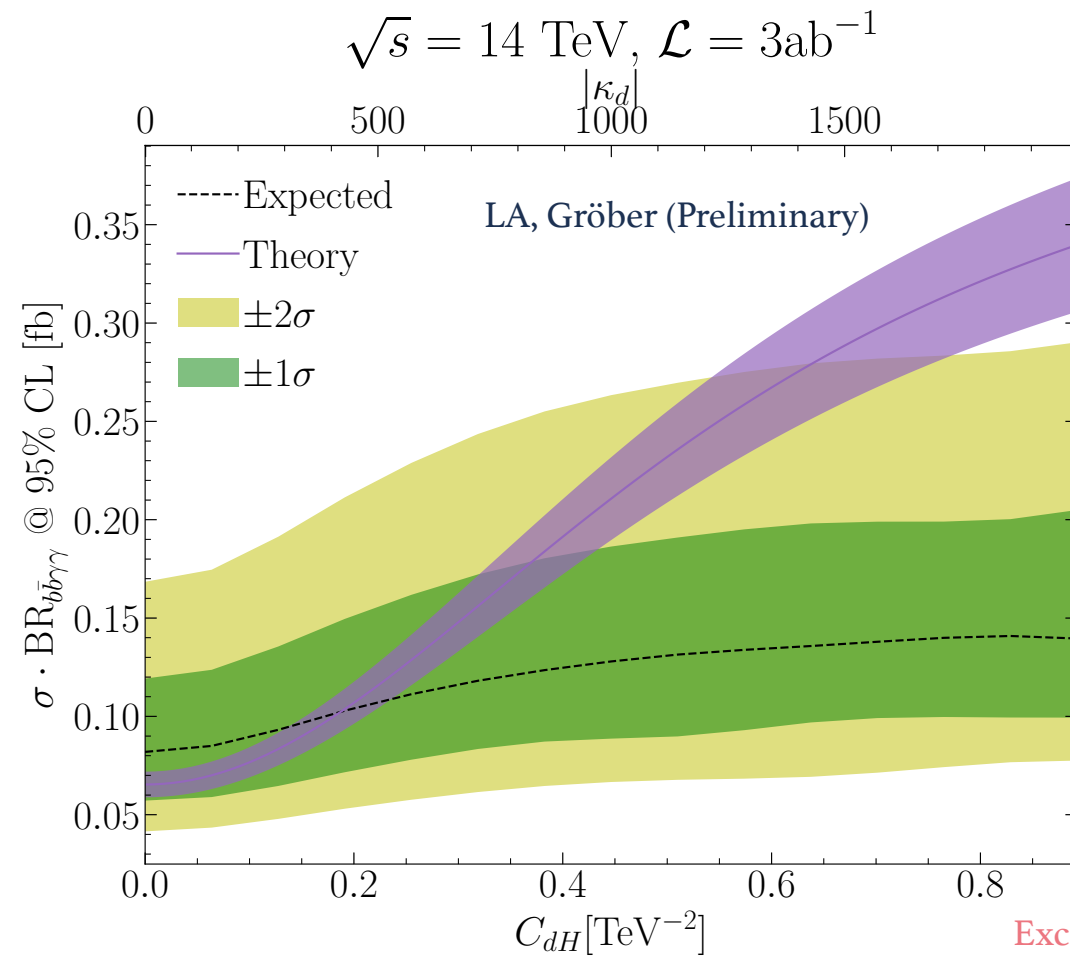
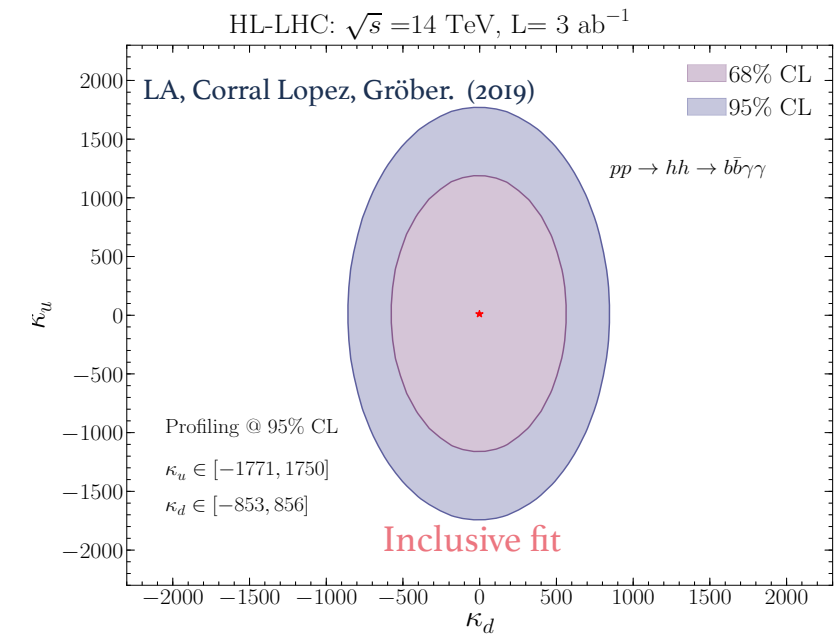
HL-LHC sensitivity:

- We looked at the final state $pp \rightarrow hh \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$

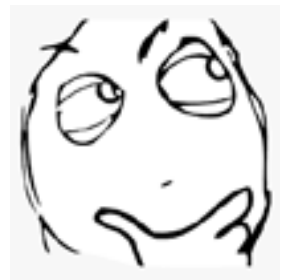


Bounds have improved significantly, by using 5 m_{hh} and 5 $p_{T,h}$ categories in an exclusive fit

$$\kappa_d \sim 600, \quad \kappa_u \sim 1000$$

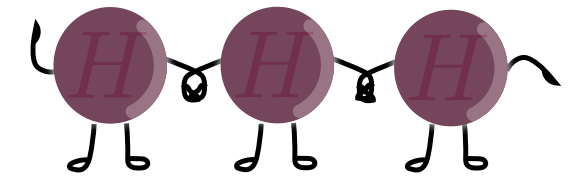


What if we could have more categories?

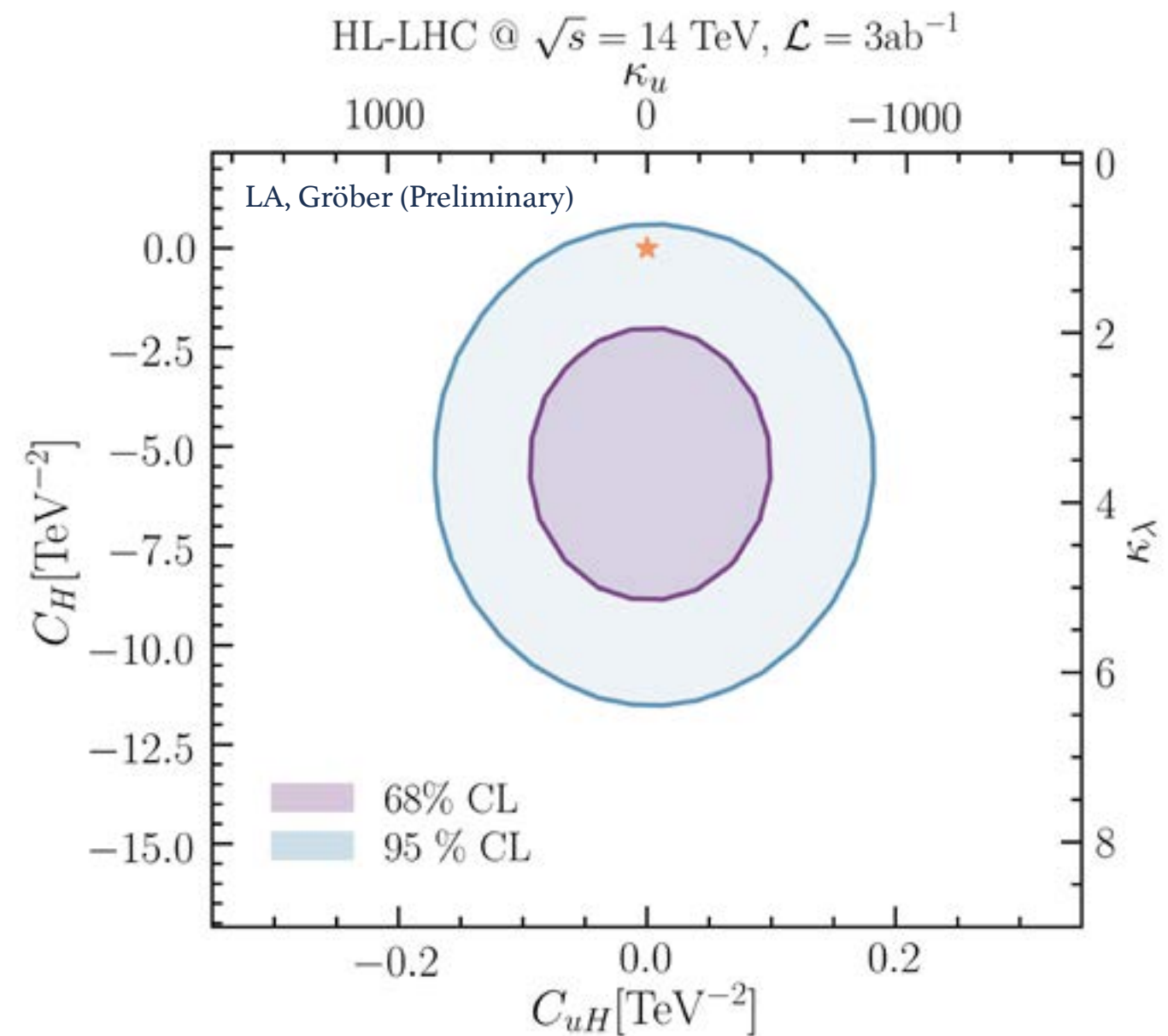
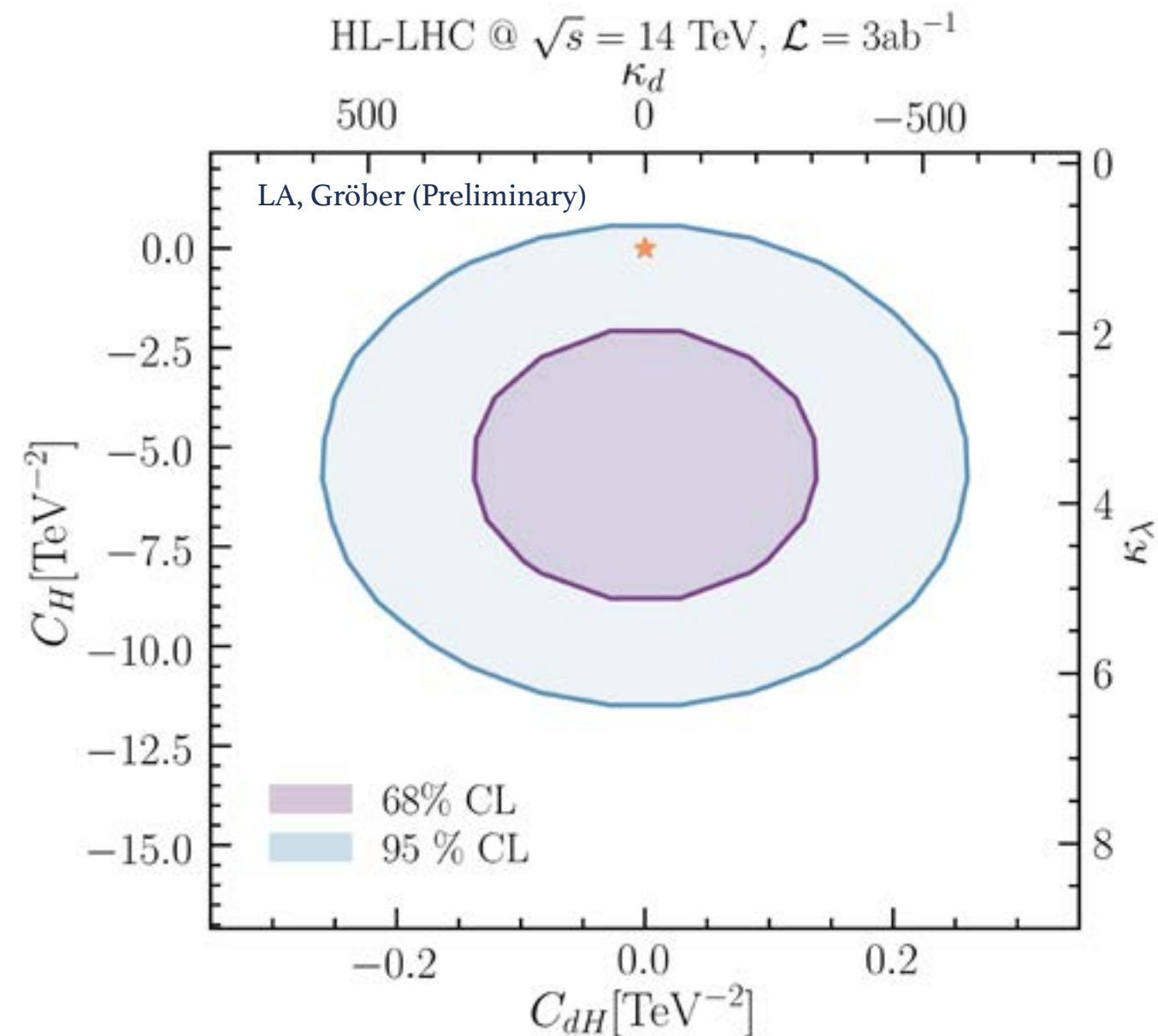


Bounds with trilinear coupling

- Combined likelihood fit with varying both light Yukawa and Higgs trilinear coupling

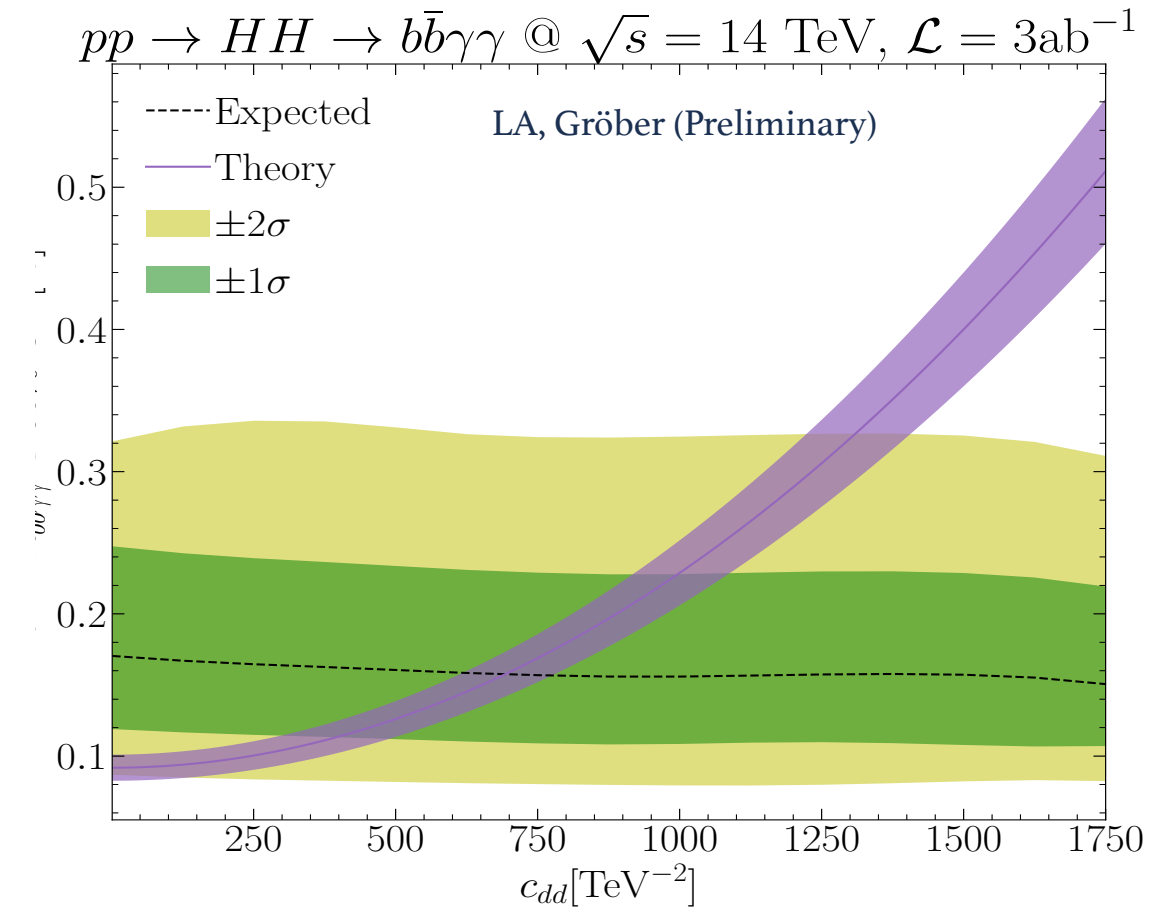
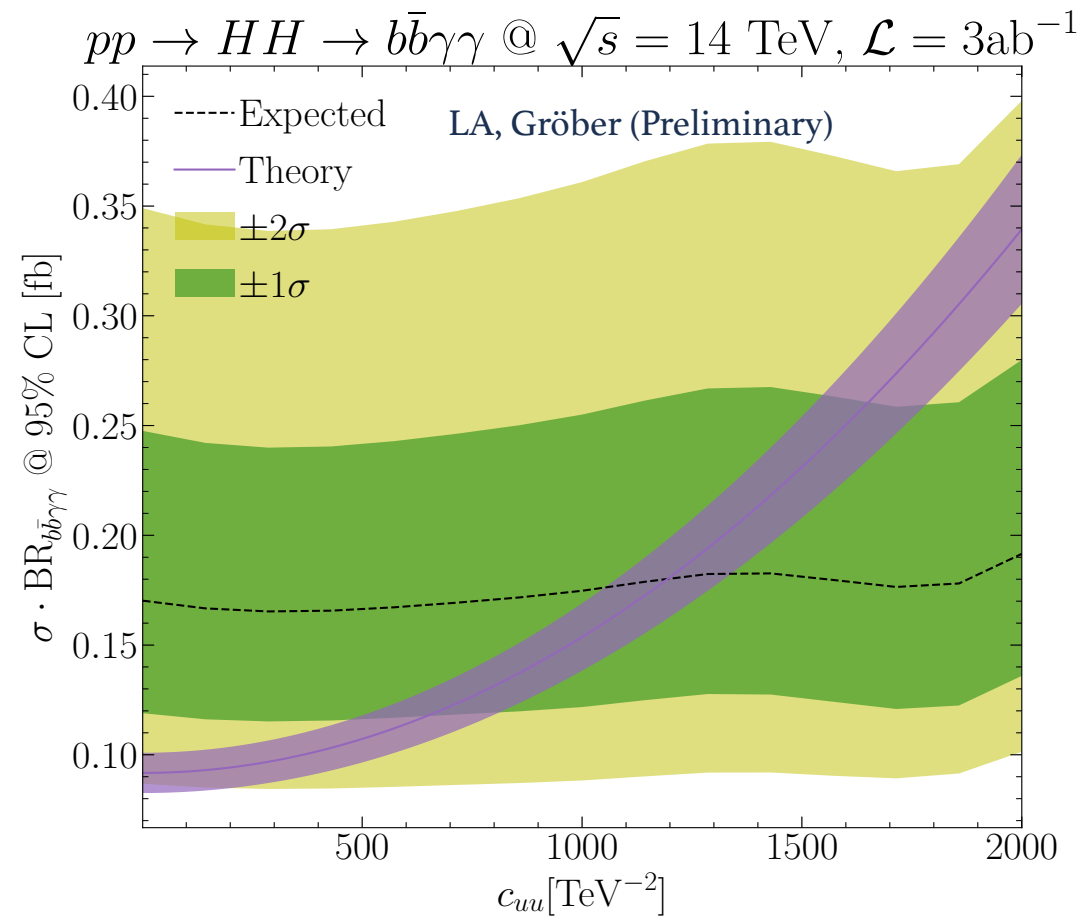


There is no significant correlation, however for an accurate measurement of the trilinear Higgs self-coupling we need to also make a combined fit.



Bounds on Chiral Lagrangian

- One of the features of HH it could probe non-linear EFT Wilson coefficients.



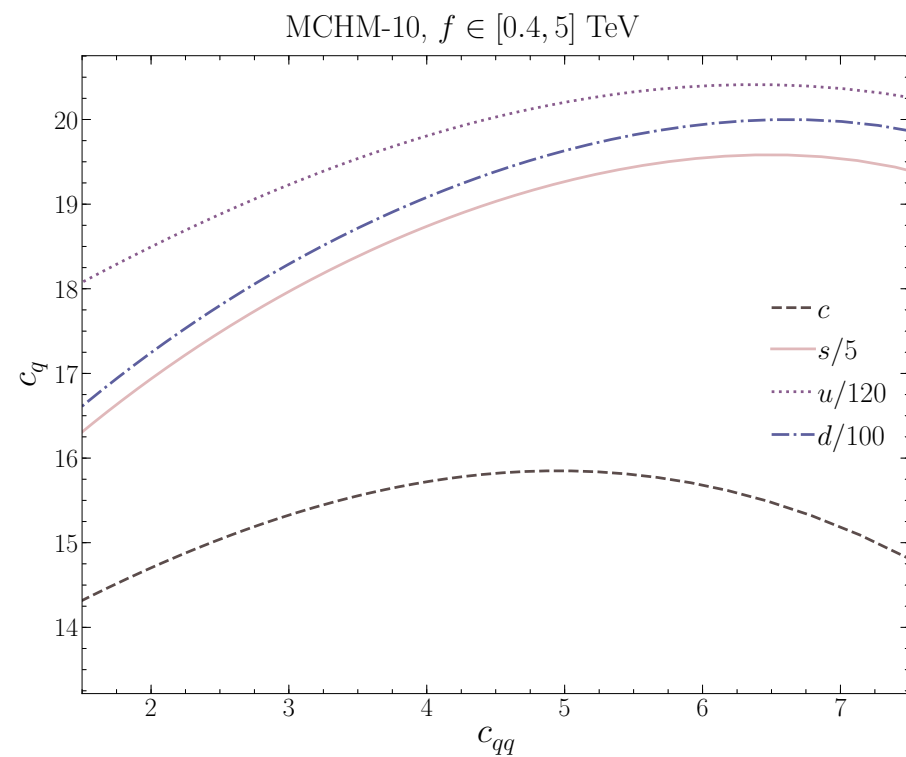
However, the coupling c_q cannot be probed alone. :(

$$c_{dd} < 650, \quad c_{uu} < 1100$$

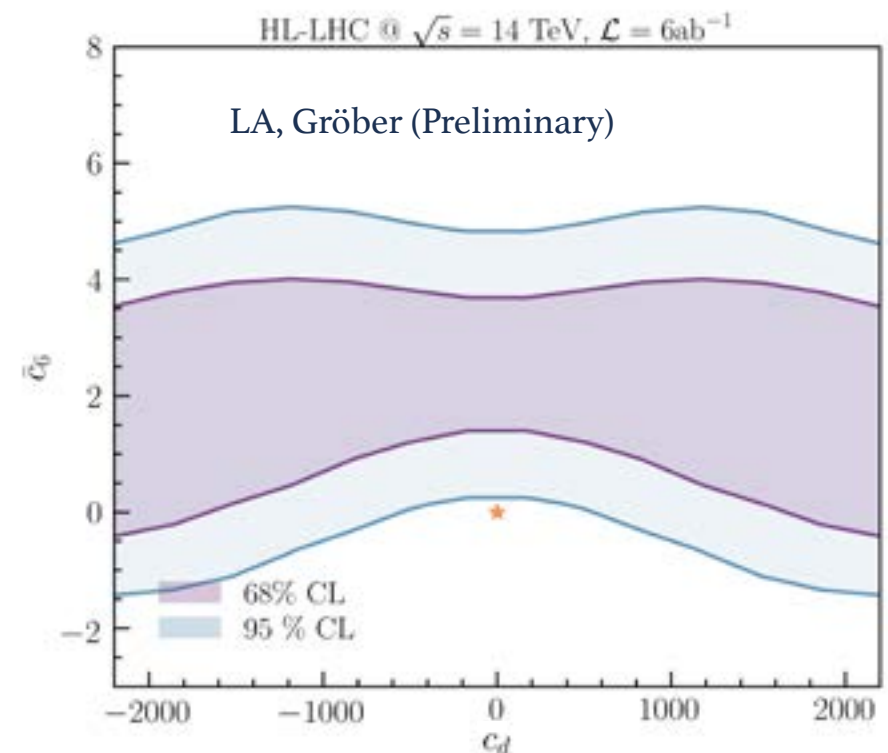
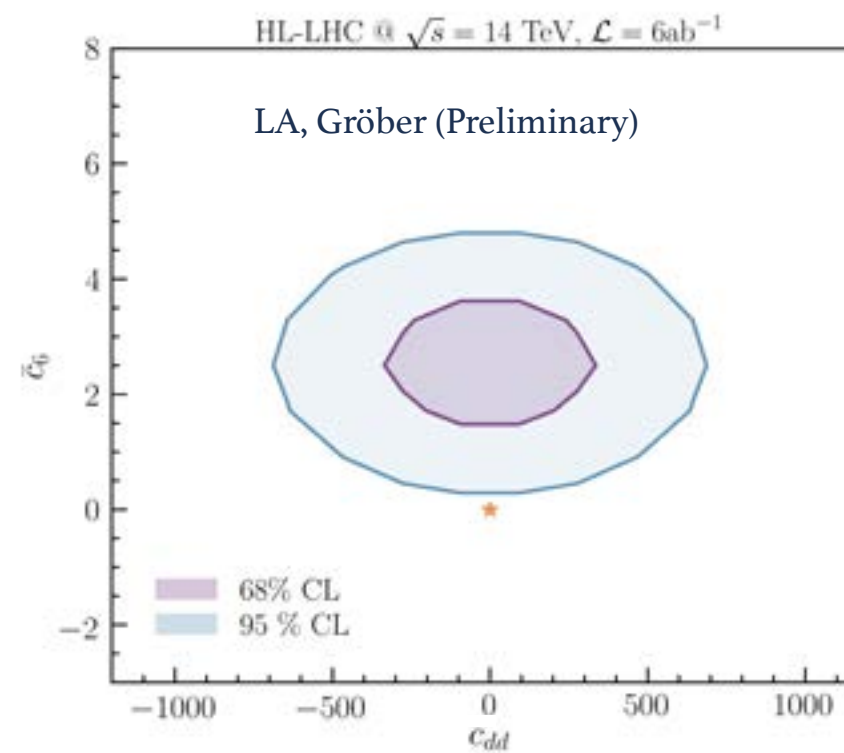
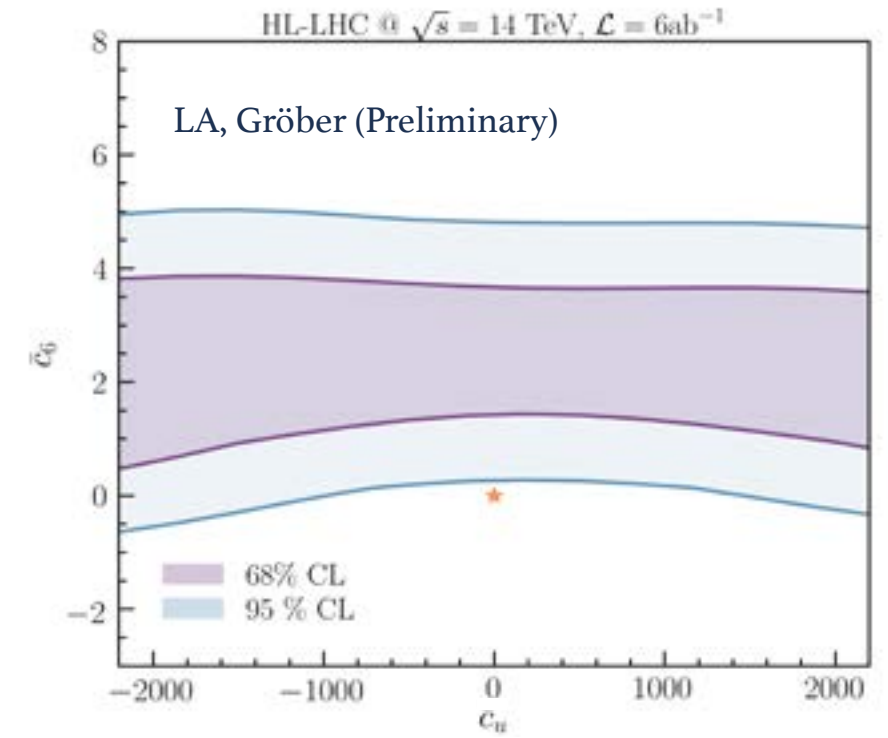
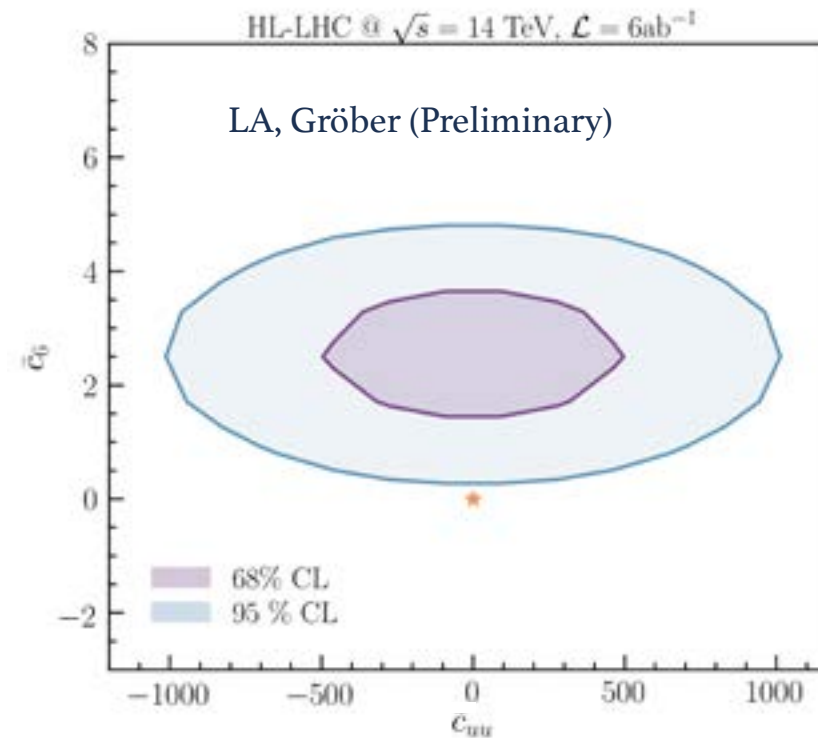
Bounds on Chiral Lagrangian

HL-LHC with combined ATLAS and CMS fits:

- Similar pattern is observed for the chiral Lagrangian, there is no correlation between the trilinear and c_{qq} and very weak one for c_q
- But HH can distinguish between c_{qq} and c_q even when the trilinear coupling is turned on.
- This could be useful in probing UV models having correlation between these couplings.



An example of non-trivial correlation between c_{qq} and c_q in a toy composite Higgs model based on Gillioz et al. (2013)

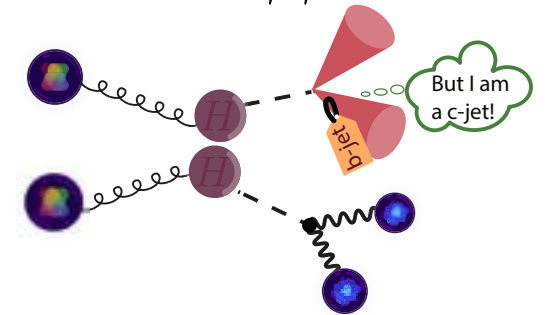


What about the 2nd generation ?

• The channel $pp \rightarrow hh \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ is not suitable to probe 2nd gen. Yukawa.

• However, it is possible to use the mistagging efficiency of c jets as b jets to access $pp \rightarrow hh \rightarrow c\bar{c}\gamma\gamma$

This method was developed and used by Perez, et al. (2015 and 2016) Kim & Park (2015) to probe charm Yukawa in Higgs decays to b quarks.



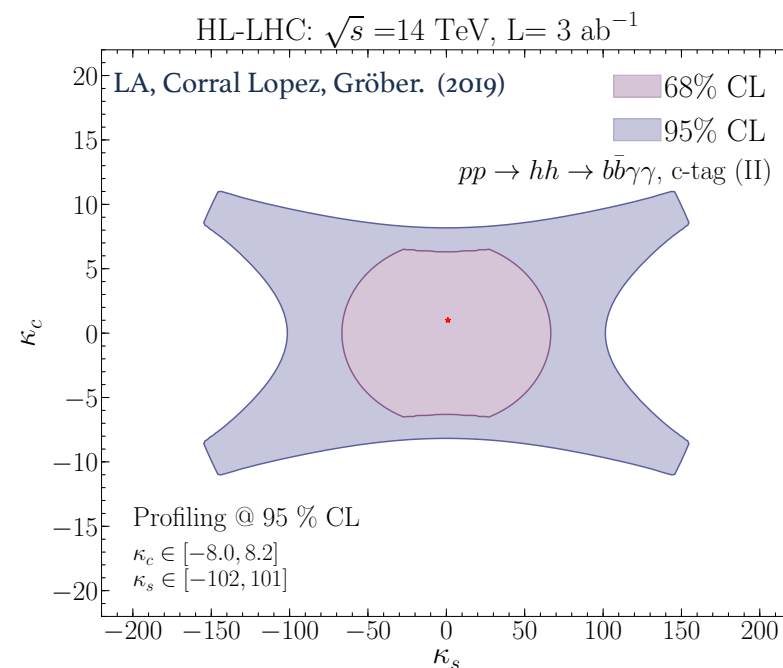
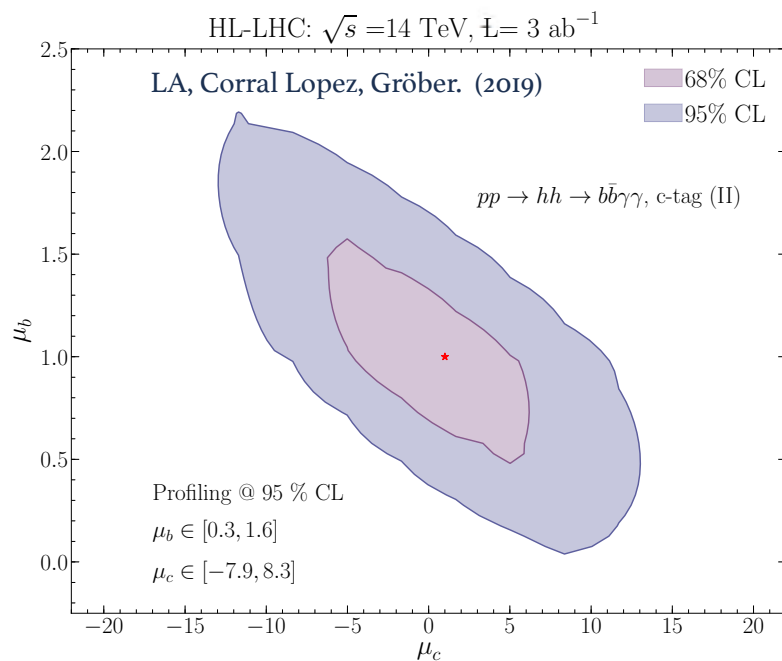
Including some c-tagging scheme, in order to break the degeneracy, it is possible to constrain charm Yukawa using the same analysis for the $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ final state.

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{\sigma_{hh} \mathcal{B}_b \epsilon_{b1} \epsilon_{b2} \epsilon_f + \sigma_{hh} \mathcal{B}_c \epsilon_{c1} \epsilon_{c2} \epsilon_f}{\sigma_{hh}^{\text{SM}} \mathcal{B}_b^{\text{SM}} \epsilon_{b1} \epsilon_{b2} + \sigma_{hh}^{\text{SM}} \mathcal{B}_c^{\text{SM}} \epsilon_{c1} \epsilon_{c2}}$$

where now ϵ_b is either ϵ_b or $\epsilon_{c \rightarrow b}$ and ϵ_c either ϵ_c or $\epsilon_{b \rightarrow c}$. This simplifies to

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{\mu_b + 0.05 \epsilon_{c/b}^2 \mu_c}{1 + 0.05 \epsilon_{c/b}^2} \epsilon_f.$$

| c-tagging working point | ϵ_c | $\epsilon_{c \rightarrow b}$ | $\mu_c(\text{up})$ 95% CL |
|-------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| c-tag I | 19% | 13% | 10.1 |
| c-tag II | 30% | 20% | 8.2 |
| c-tag III | 50% | 20% | 3.8 |



For the c-tagging working points from ATLAS see :
[arXiv:1501.01325 \[hep-ex\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1501.01325),
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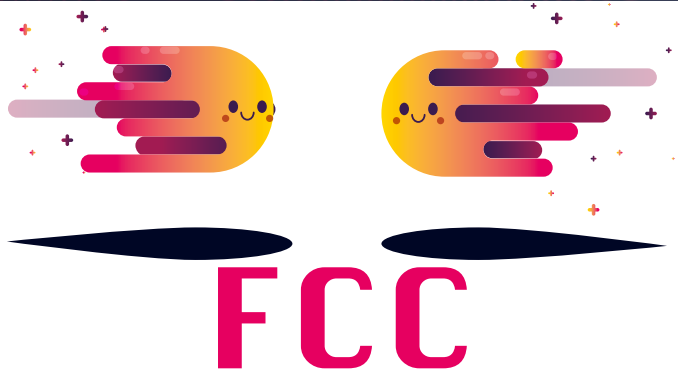
Here, the strange Yukawa is probed via 2 channels as well, improving its bound.

Prospects for future collides

- A 27 TeV collider would be able to probe 1st gen. couplings to a great accuracy.
- A 100 TeV collider would be able to probe them all (or would it?).
- For strange and charm, it would be plausible to start looking at flavour tagging.

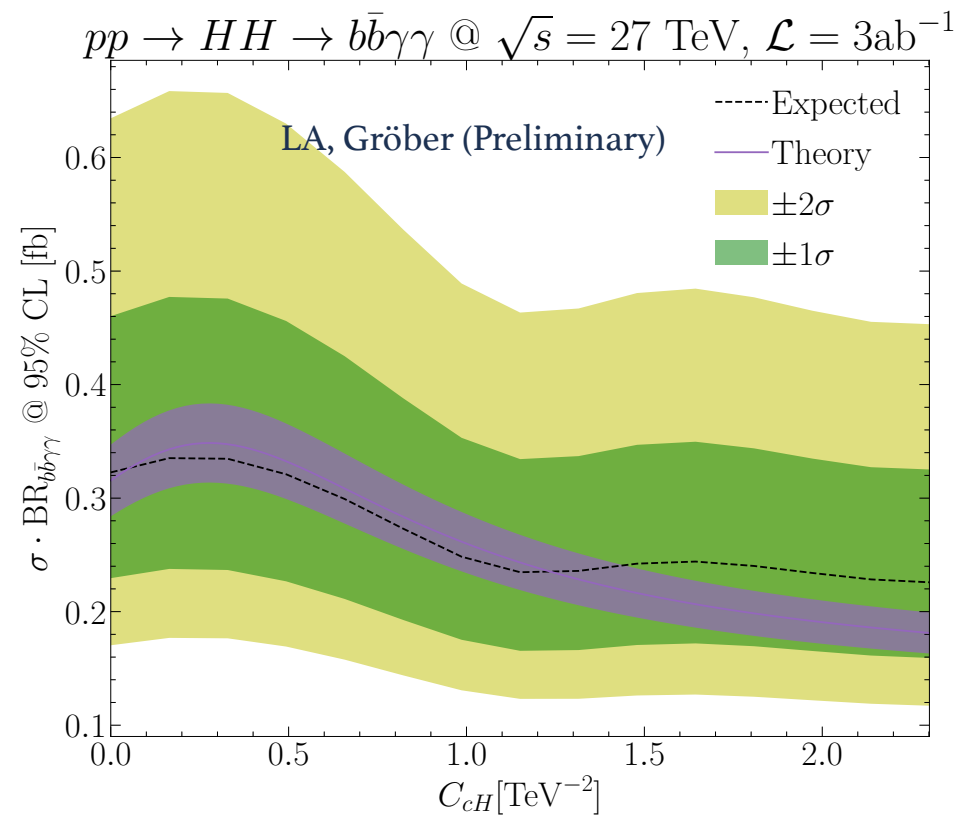
There are already developments in flavour tagging to probe light Yukawa

Perez, Soreq, Stamou, Tobioka (2015); Brivio, Goertz, Isidori (2015); ATLAS 1802.04329, CMS 1912.01662; Duarte-Campderros, Perez, Schlaffer, Soffer (2018)



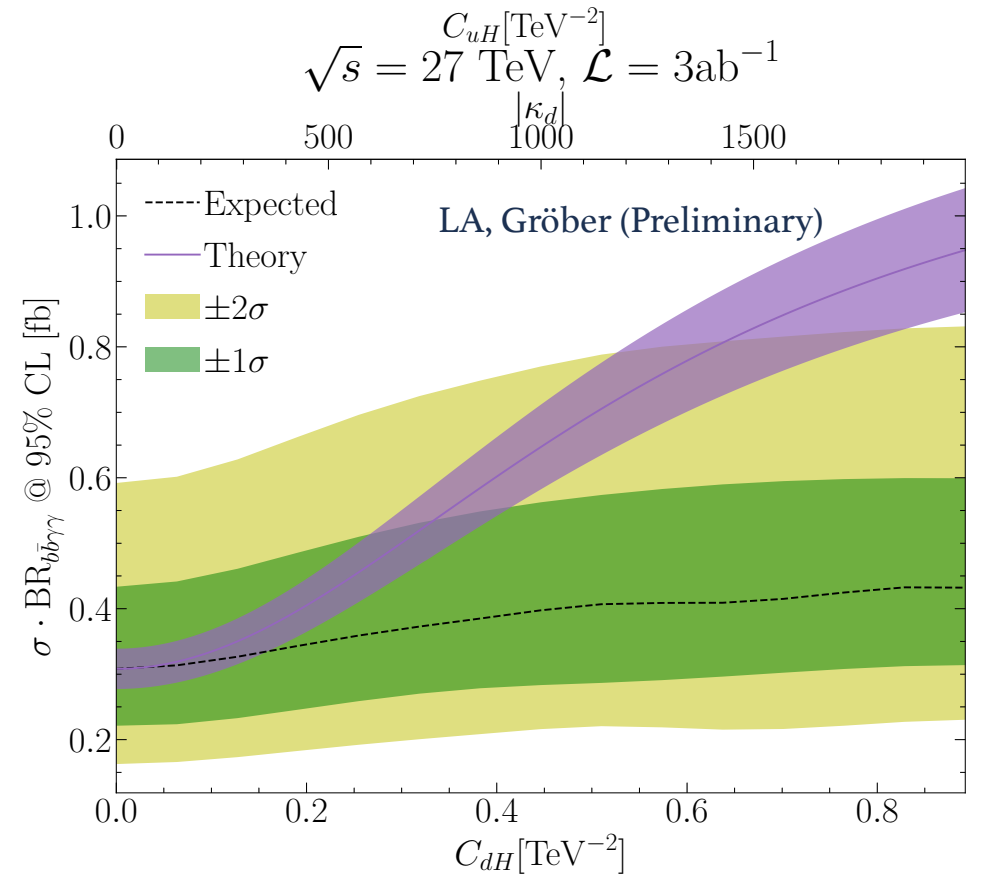
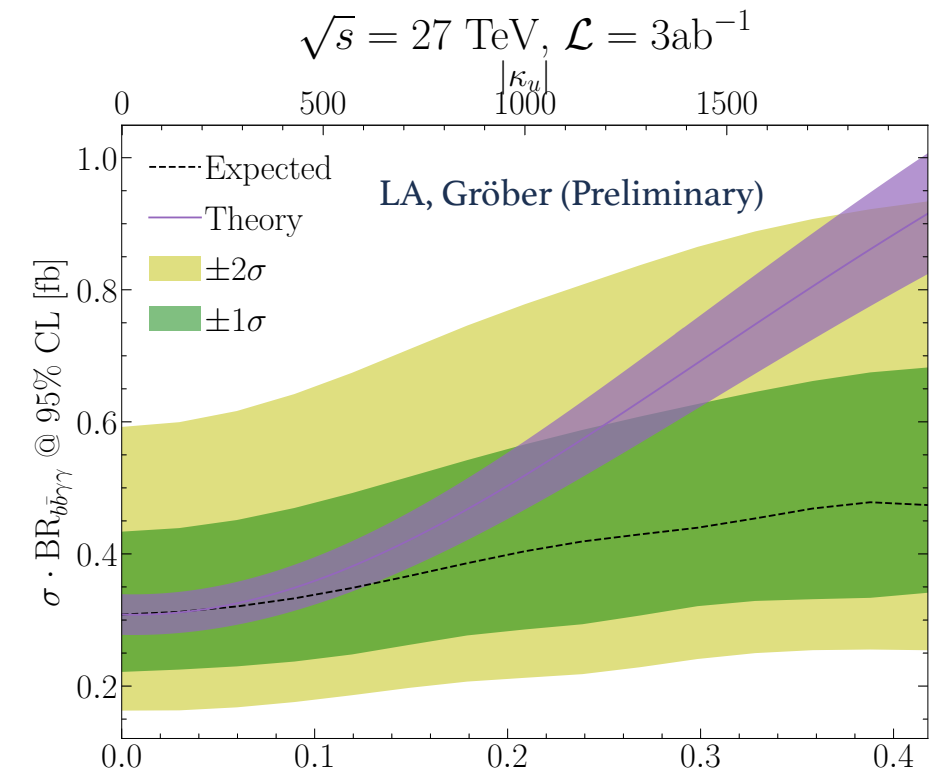
$$\kappa_d \sim 70 \quad \kappa_u \sim 200$$

HE-LHC 27 TeV



← For the charm, the bounds from this final states will remain weak.

Large uncertainty bands due to the ignorance of the detector performance of future collides .

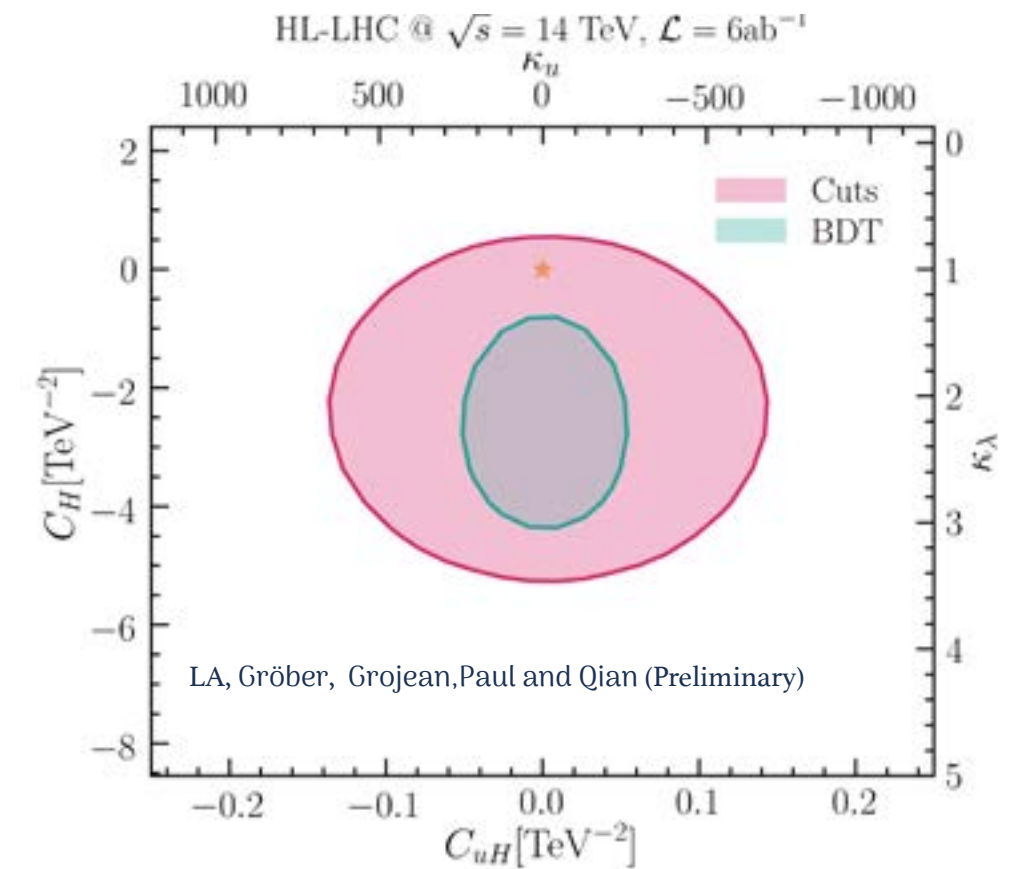


Outlook and open problems

- We saw that the fits were improved significantly with categories of 2 kinematic distributions.

It is possible to take this further using *interpretable machine learning* Grojean, Paul, Qian (2020)

- Studying the flavour violating, and CP odd couplings still needs to be done.
- The light quark masses are not completely well defined, particularly the renormalisation scheme that should be used for them.
- More UV complete models that modify the light quark Yukawa and keep the flavour non-universal ones within current bounds.
- In depth implementation of charm tagging and c- contamination of b-tagged jets.
- Is it possible to link the old flavour puzzle to the new flavour anomalies ?
for example see Bordone et al. (2017).



Thank You!

