

Probing the electroweak symmetry breaking with Higgs production at the LHC

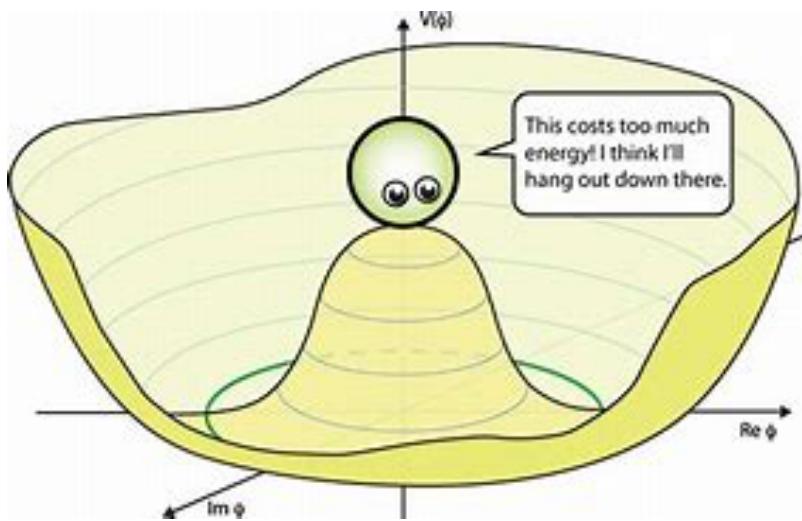
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Higgs potential and BSM opportunity
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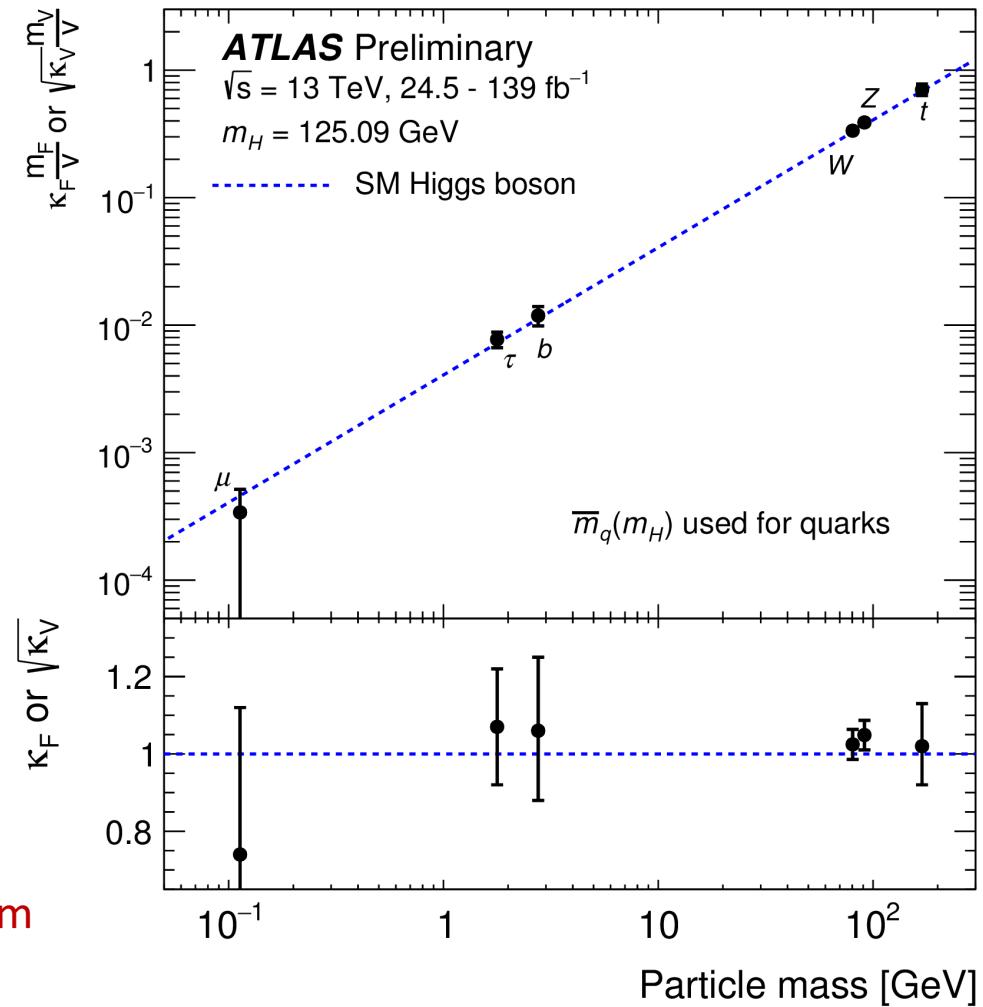


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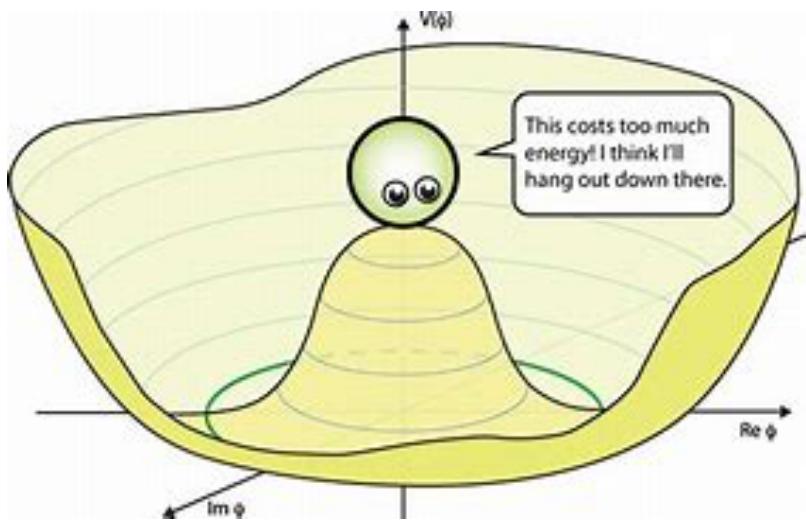
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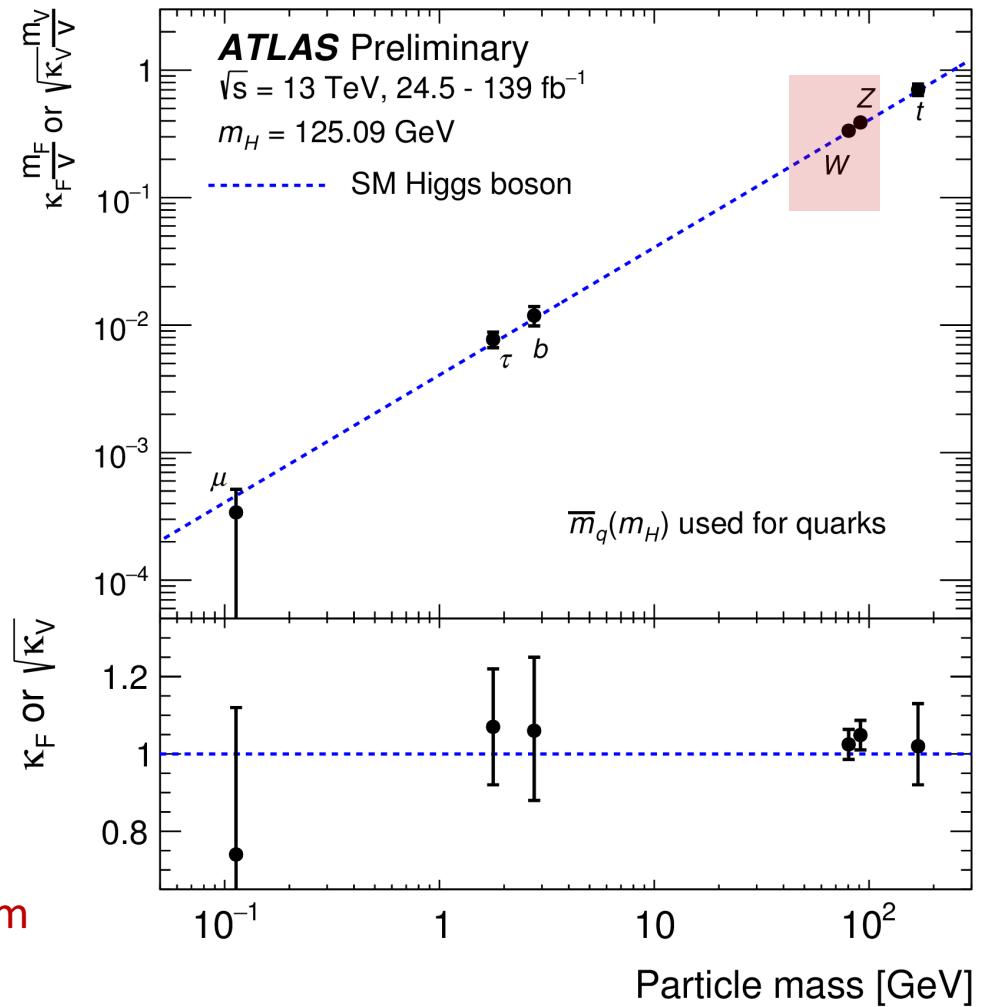


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Higgs couplings and EWSB

$$\mathcal{L}_{hVV} = \kappa_W g_{hWW}^{\text{SM}} h W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} + \frac{\kappa_Z}{2} g_{hZZ}^{\text{SM}} h Z_\mu Z^\mu,$$

$$g_{hVV}^{\text{SM}} = 2m_V^2/v \quad \lambda_{WZ} \equiv \frac{\kappa_W}{\kappa_Z}$$

To verify the EWSB, we need to determine:

- (1) The **magnitude** of the Higgs couplings
- (2) The **relative size** between hWW and hZZ couplings



Higgs couplings and New Physics

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(1) The **magnitude** of Higgs couplings @NP

For example:

Q. H. Cao, L. X. Xu, Bin Yan and S. H. Zhu,
PLB789(2019)233-237

Composite Higgs models

$$\kappa_W = \kappa_Z = \sqrt{1 - \xi}, \quad \xi = \frac{v^2}{2f^2}$$

(2) The **negative relative sign** of Higgs couplings @NP

I. Low, J. Lykken, JHEP10(2010)053

It depends on the custodial representation of Higgs.

$$\lambda_{WZ} < 0$$

e.g. fiveplet in Georgi-Machacek model

So...

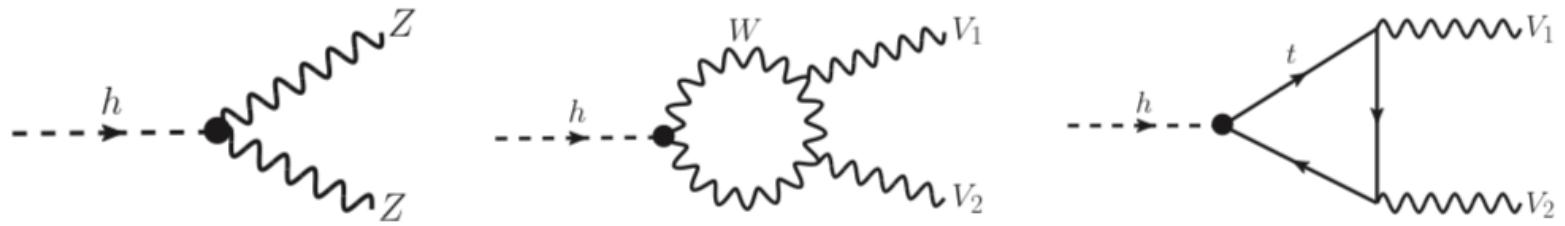
How to fix the relative sign
between hWW and hZZ couplings



EWSB@LHC and lepton colliders

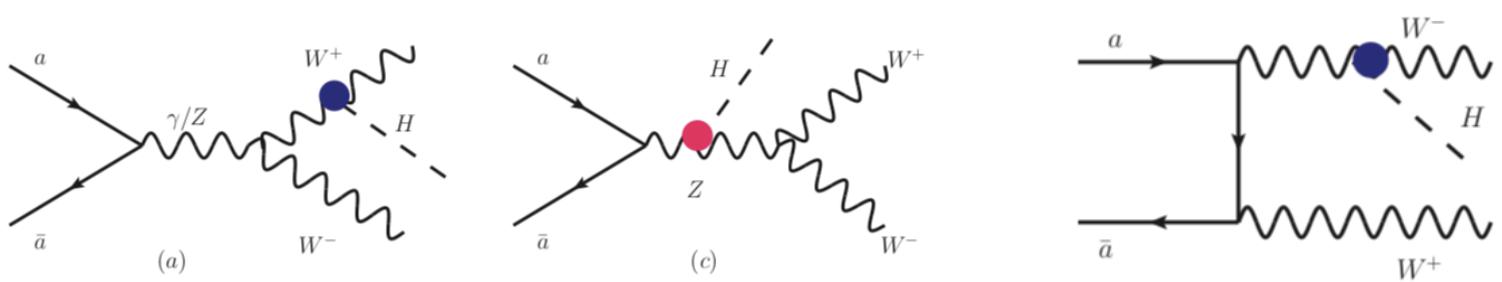
Y. Chen, M. Spiropulu, D. Stolarski and R. V. Morales, PRL117(2016)24,241801

LHC:

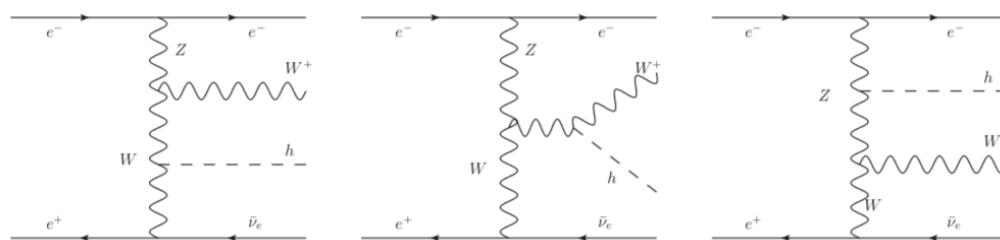


Lepton colliders:

C.W Chiang, X. G. He and G. Li, JHEP08(2018) 126

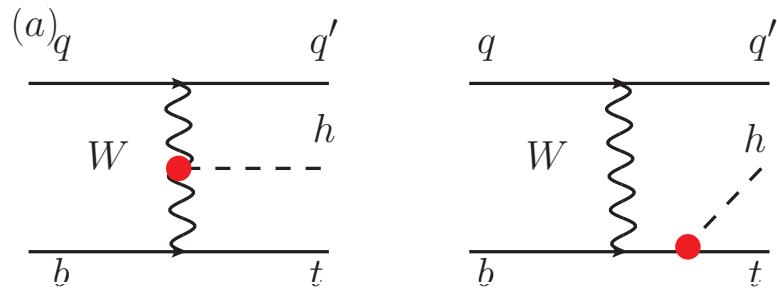


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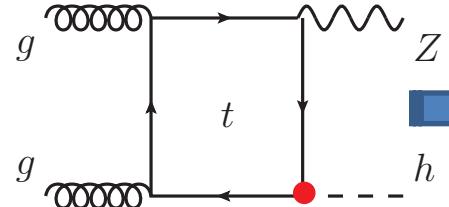
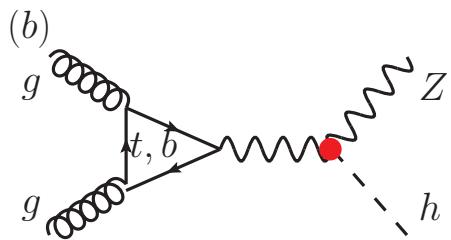
th and Zh production

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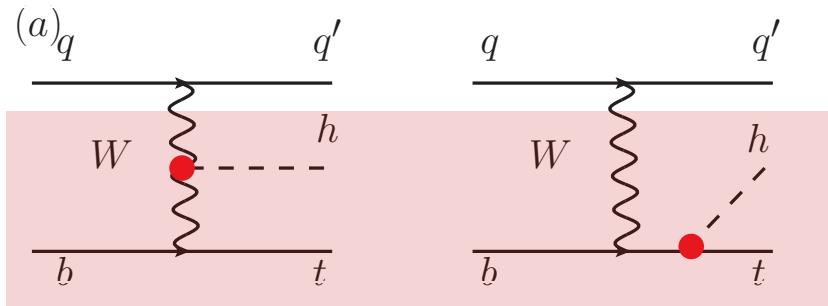
→ Cross section is sensitive to the relative sign between htt and hWW

Top quark Yukawa coupling as a bridge



→ Cross section is sensitive to the relative sign between htt and hZZ

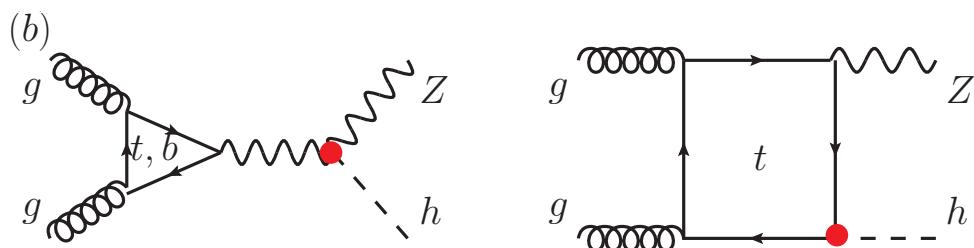
High Energy behavior



relative sign between **htt** and **hWW**

$$bW^\mu \rightarrow ht$$

$$M \sim \bar{u}(t) \left[m_t (\kappa_t - \kappa_W) + \left(\frac{2m_W^2}{u} \kappa_W + \frac{m_t^2}{s} \kappa_t \right) \not{p}_W \right] P_L u(b).$$



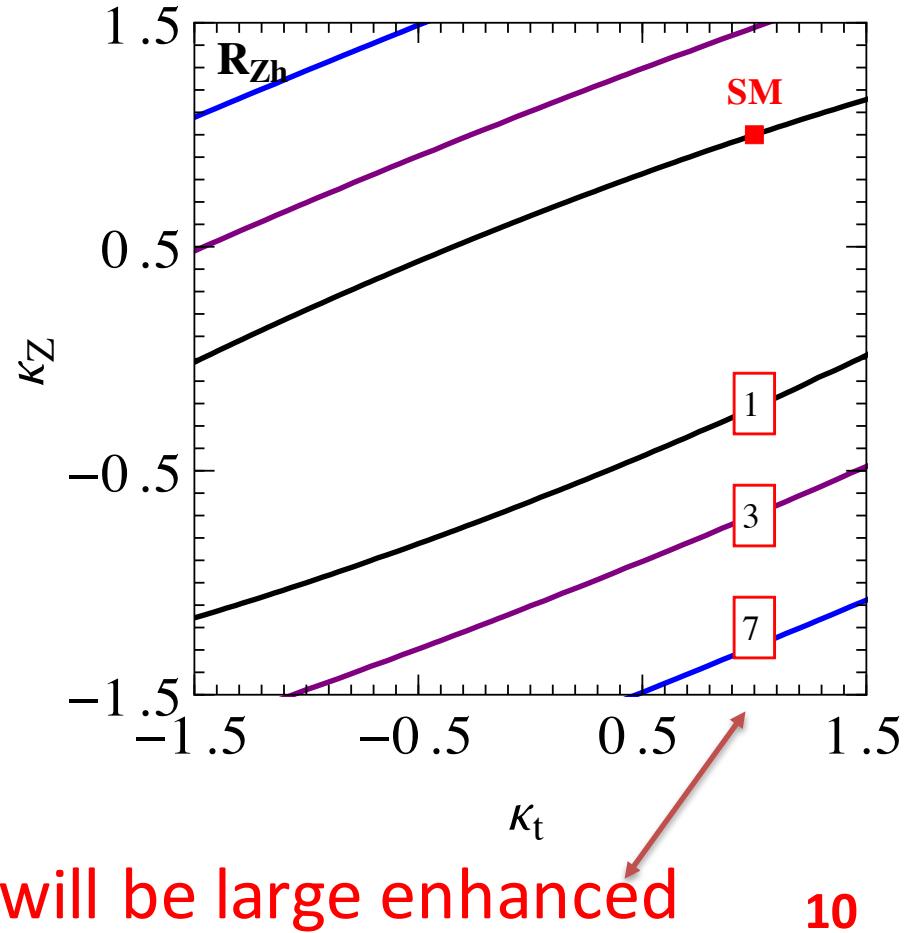
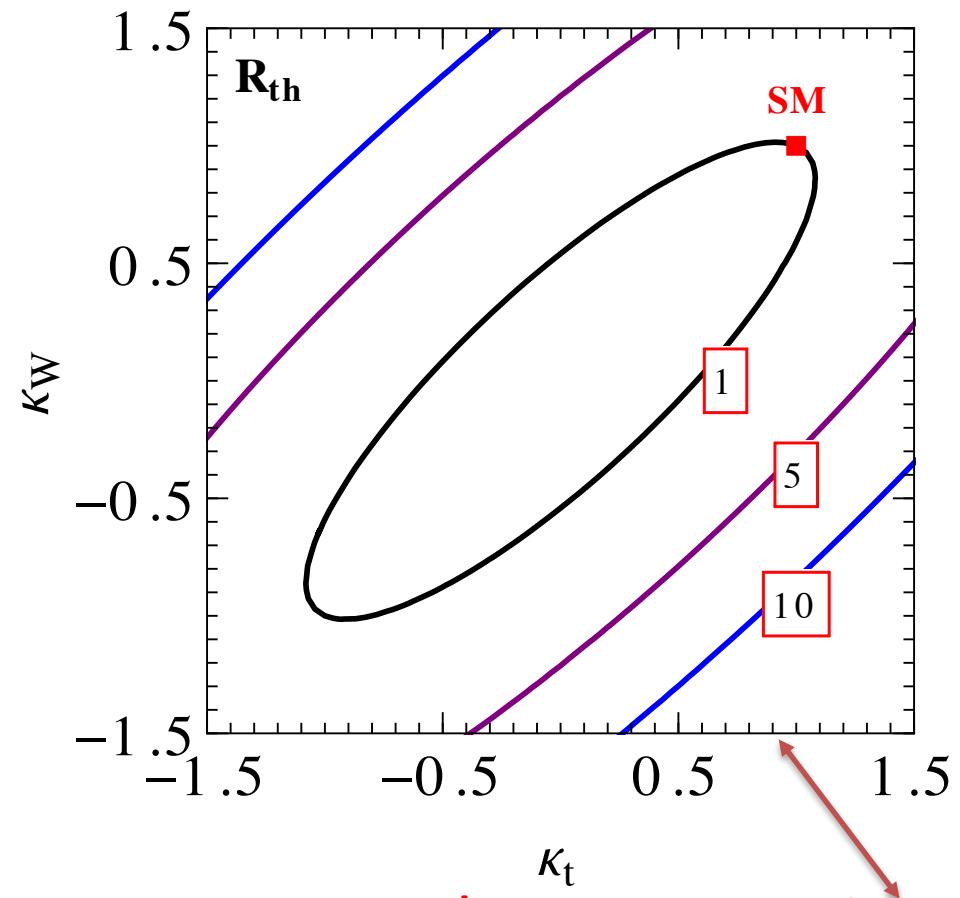
relative sign between **htt** and **hZZ**

$$M_{\pm, \pm, 0} \sim \frac{m_t^2}{m_Z^2} (\kappa_Z - \kappa_t) \log^2 \left(-\frac{s}{m_t^2} \right)$$

Cross sections@ 13 TeV LHC

$$R_{th} = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow th)}{\sigma^{\text{SM}}(pp \rightarrow th)}$$

$$R_{Zh} = \frac{\sigma(gg \rightarrow Zh)}{\sigma^{\text{SM}}(gg \rightarrow Zh)}$$



The cross sections will be large enhanced

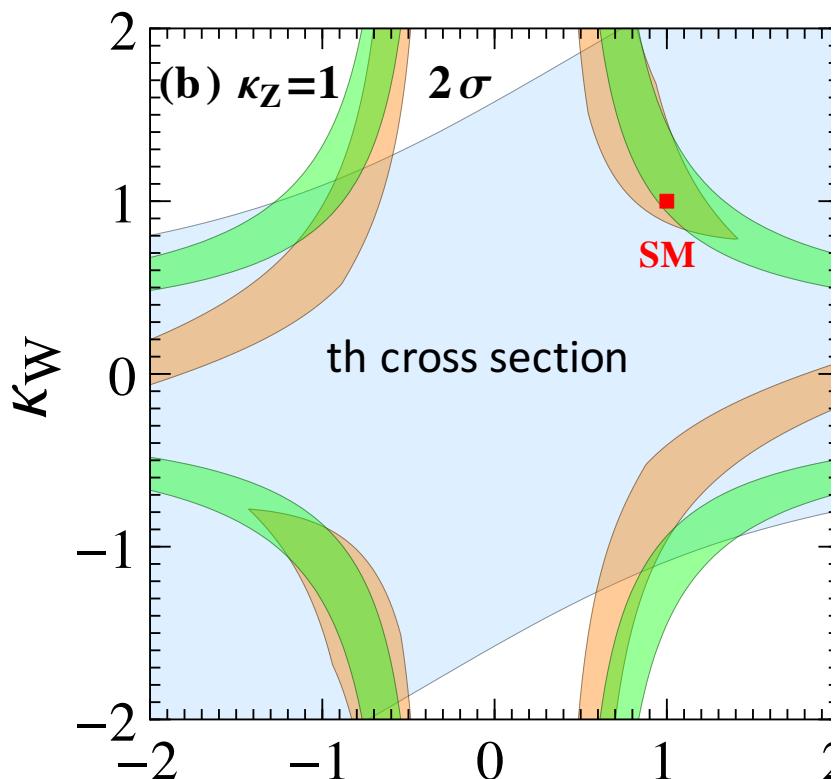
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Limits from current LHC

Orange: tth

Green: ggF, h->WW

Blue: th



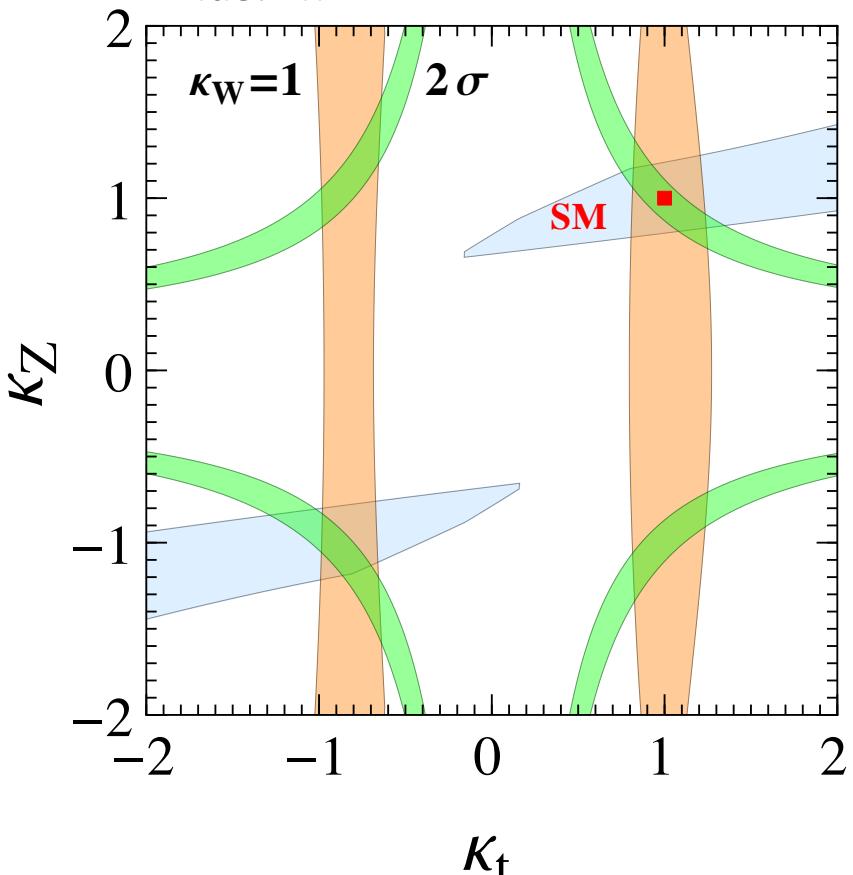
$$\kappa_t \kappa_W < 0$$

Excluded by current data

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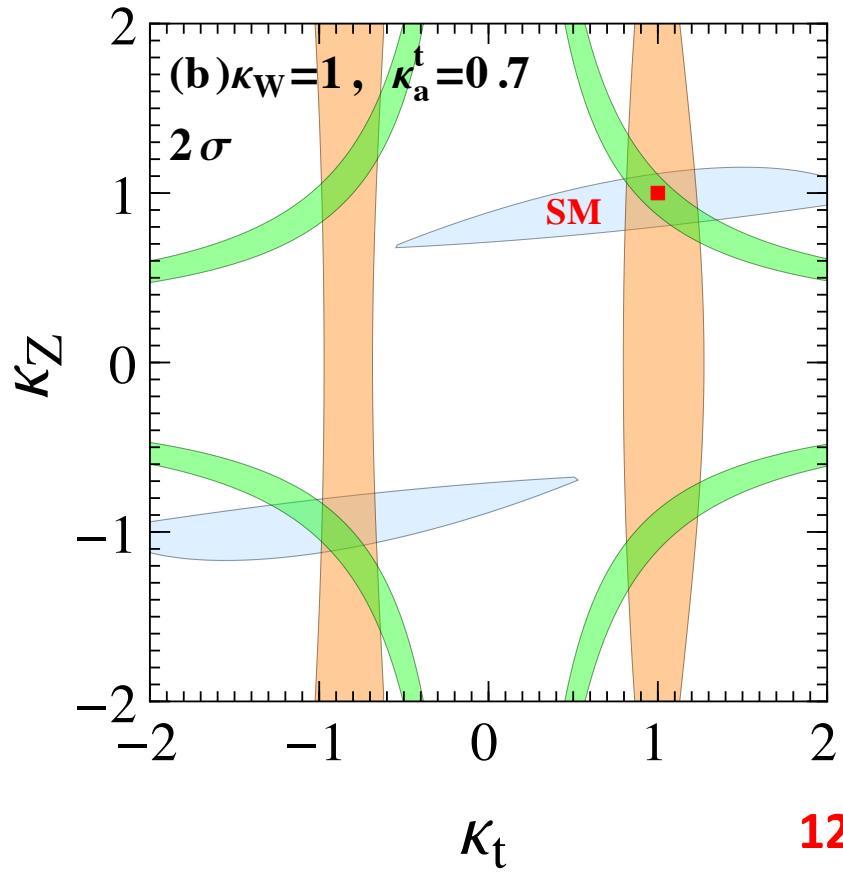
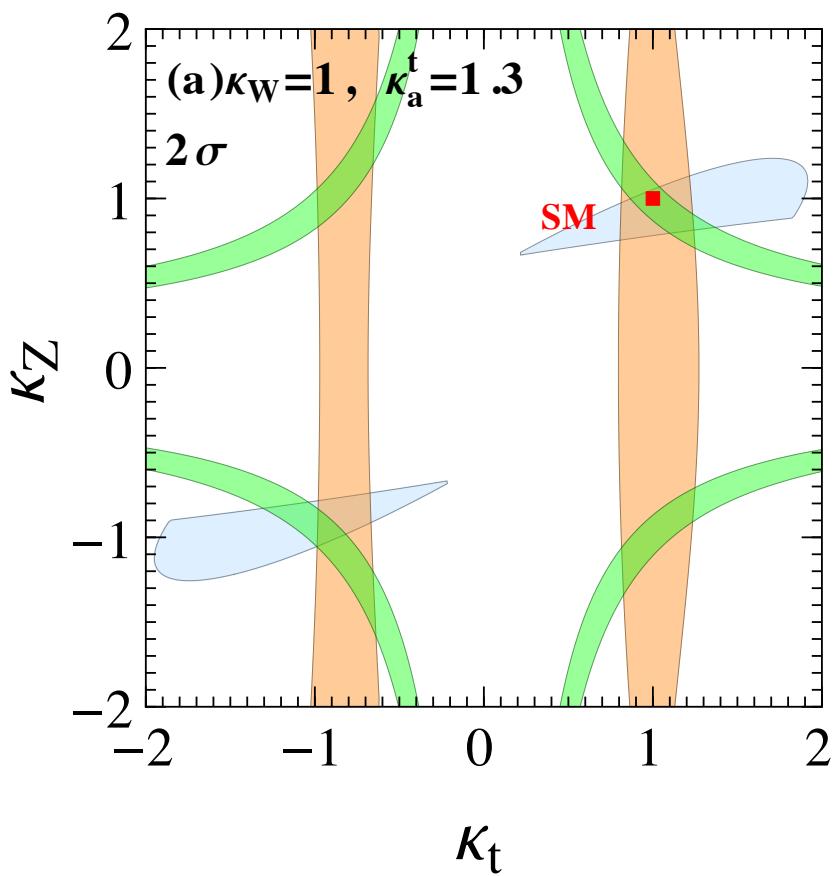
Blue: Zh



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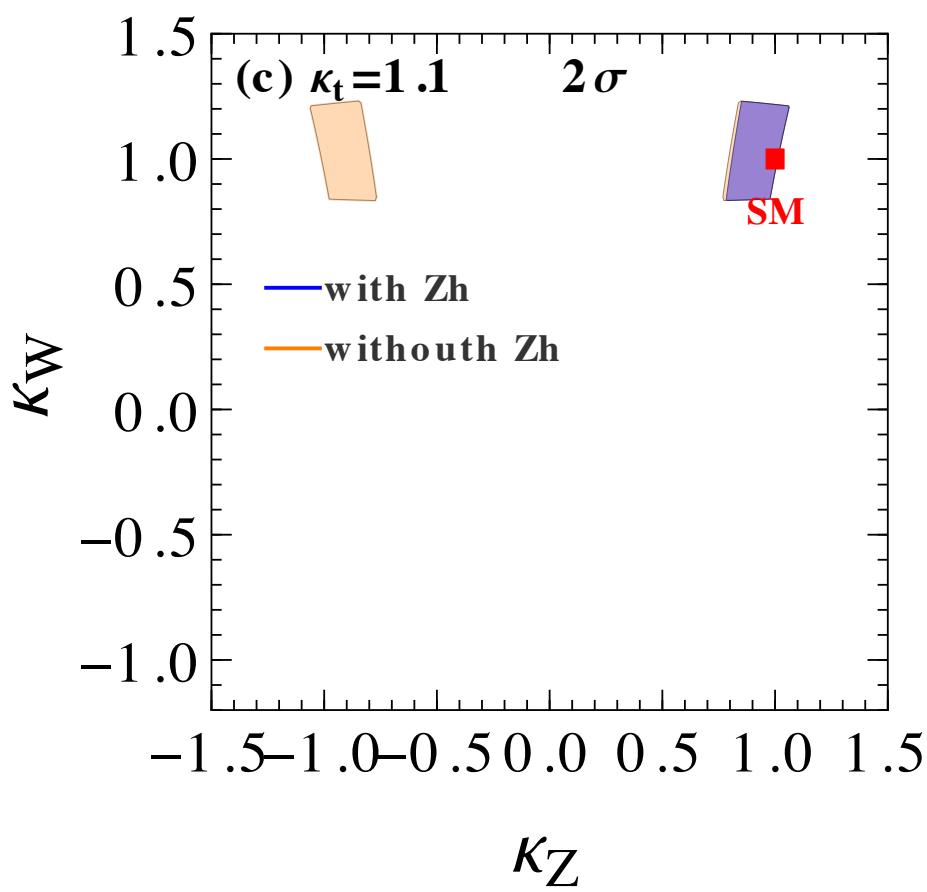
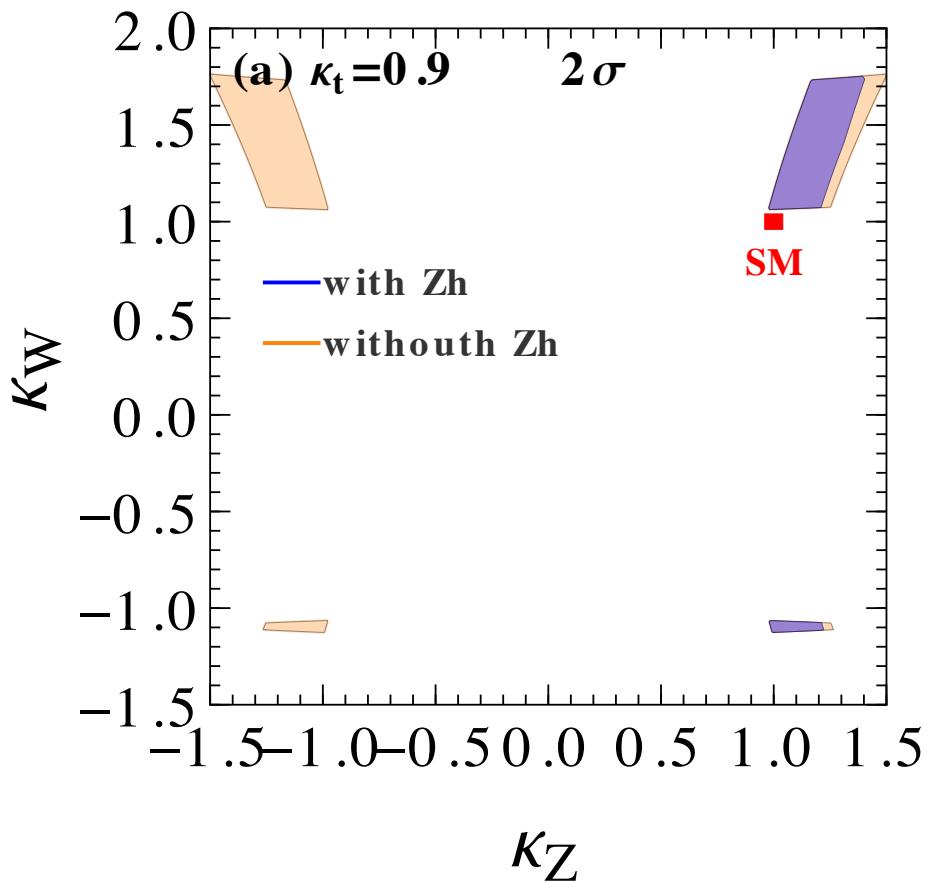
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$\kappa_t \kappa_Z < 0$ was excluded by current data is not sensitive
to the assumption of Ztt coupling



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Summary

- A. We proposed a new method to pin down the relative sign between hWW and hZZ couplings, which is a key part to verify the EWSB;
- B. Combing **th and Zh data** at the 13 TeV LHC, the data favors the same sign of hWW and hZZ couplings.
- C. This conclusion is not sensitive to the other possible new physics in Zh production.

