

# MEASURING HIGGS BOSON SELF-COUPLEDINGS WITH $2 \rightarrow 3$ VBS

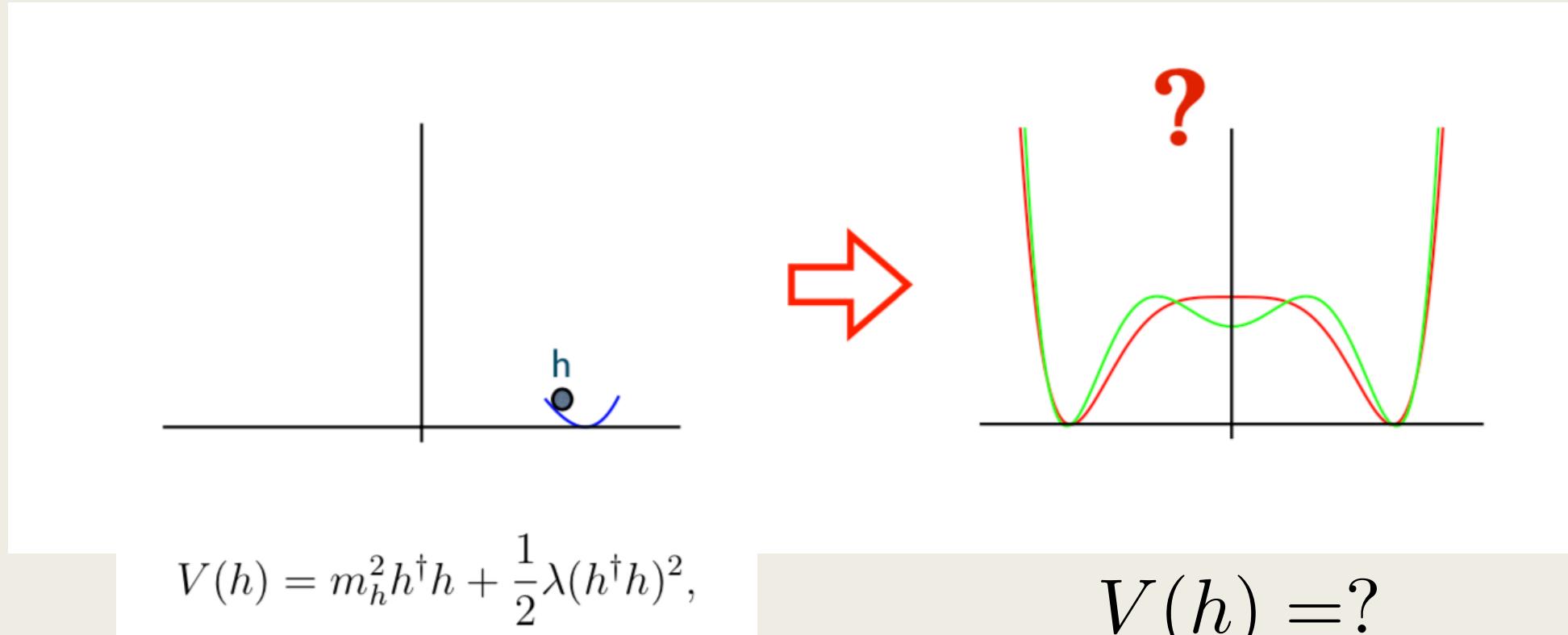
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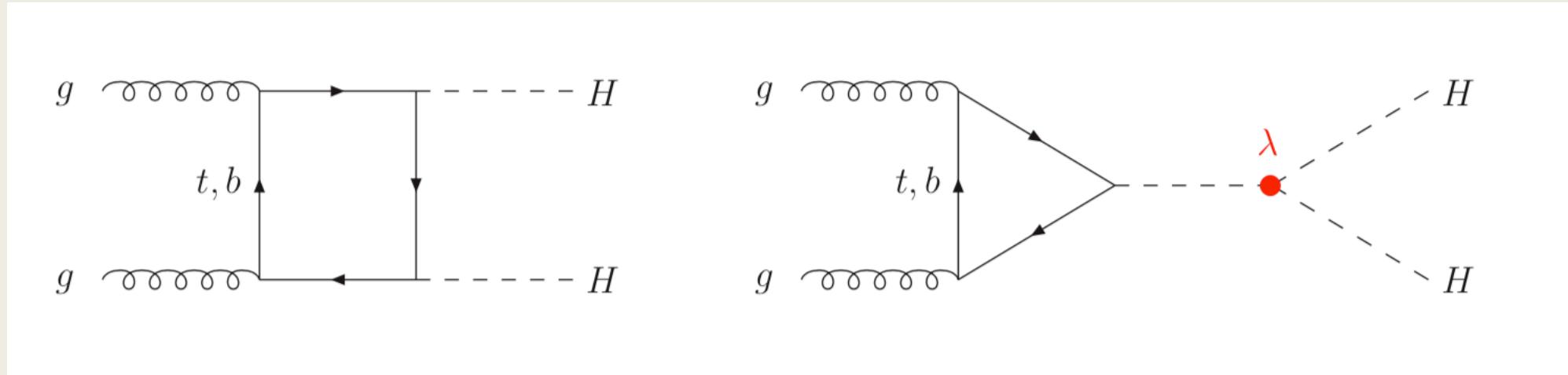
# Focus:Higgs Self-couplings 1. Motivation

- Higgs Potential: Directly related to origin of EW symmetry breaking



## 1. Motivation

Main Channel for Higgs self-coupling measurement at LHC:  $gg \rightarrow HH$



Usually take multiple Higgs final states.

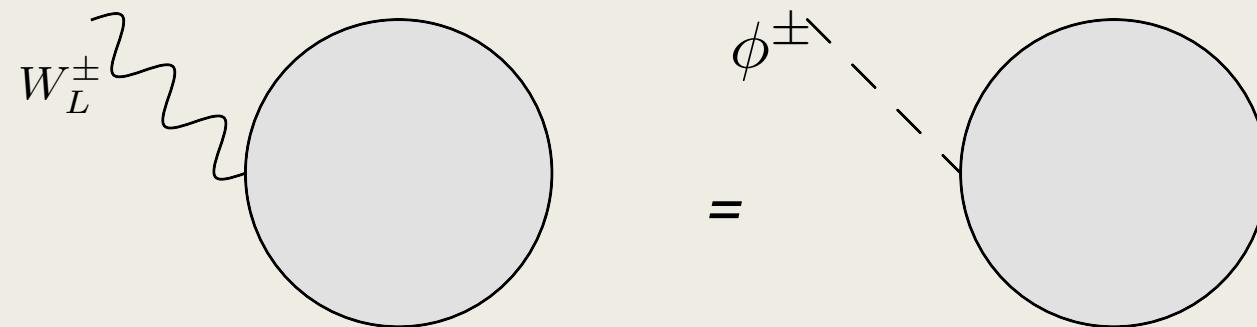
# 1. Motivation

Another approach:

1. Higgs field in SM: Higgs boson and would-be Goldstone bosons form a SU(2) doublet:

$$\Phi^\pm = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^\pm \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(h + i\phi^0) \end{pmatrix}$$

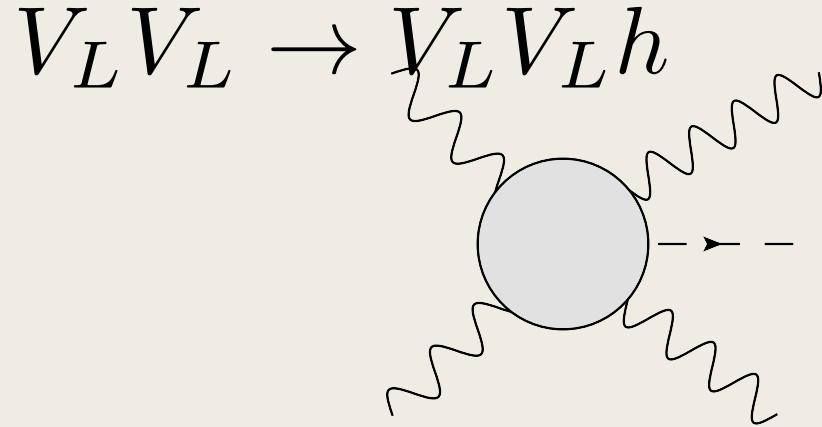
2. Goldstone equivalence theorem



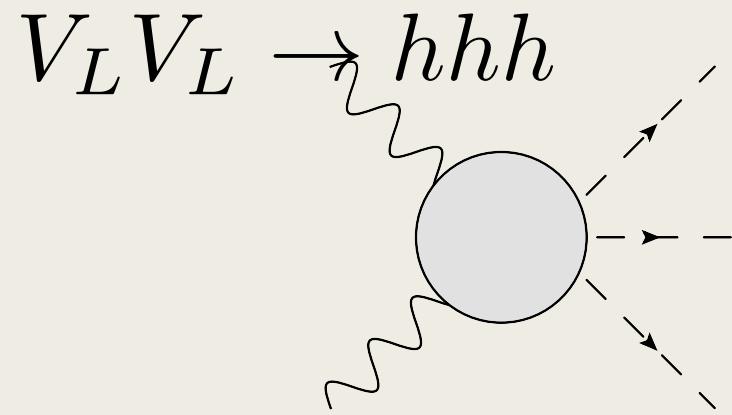
3. New approach: Measuring Higgs couplings through  $V_L$ .

# 1. Motivation

## Our focus: 2>3 Vector Boson Scattering

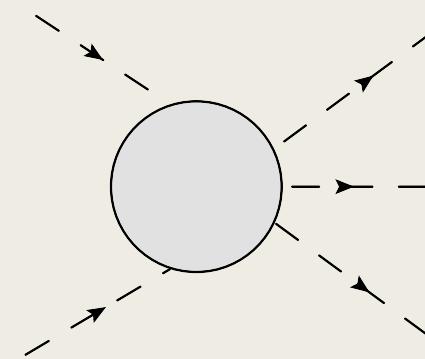


Proposed by Henning et.al.  
in arxiv: [1812.09299](https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.09299) (Phys. Rev. Lett. **123**, 181801)



When  $E \gg m$

$\approx$



Take Goldstone equivalence (GET)

- Parameterization scheme: SMEFT.

## 2. SMEFT and Amplitudes

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{c_i \mathcal{O}_i}{\Lambda^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^3}\right)$$

- Dim-6 operators related to Higgs physics

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{dim-6}} = & \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left( c_6 (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^3 + c_{\Phi_1} \partial^\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \partial_\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) + c_{\Phi_2} (\Phi^\dagger D^\mu \Phi)^* (\Phi^\dagger D_\mu \Phi) \right. \\ & + c_{\Phi^2 W^2} \Phi^\dagger \Phi W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a\mu\nu} + c_{\Phi^2 B^2} \Phi^\dagger \Phi B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + c_{\Phi^2 WB} \Phi^\dagger \tau^a \Phi W_{\mu\nu}^a B^{\mu\nu} \\ & \left. + c_{W^3} \epsilon^{abc} W_\mu^{a\nu} W_\nu^{b\rho} W_\rho^{b\mu} \right) \end{aligned}$$

- Under GET, only  $\mathcal{O}_6, \mathcal{O}_{\Phi_1}$  contribute to the Higgs self-coupling(s). Our focus.

## 2. SMEFT and Amplitudes

### *2>3 VBS amplitude in high energy*

- In high energy limit, new physics is very sensitive to new physics for  $V_L V_L \rightarrow V_L V_L h$  &  $V_L V_L \rightarrow hhh$
- The amplitudes behave as

$$\frac{\mathcal{A}^{BSM}}{\mathcal{A}^{SM}} \sim \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

# Feynman diagrams

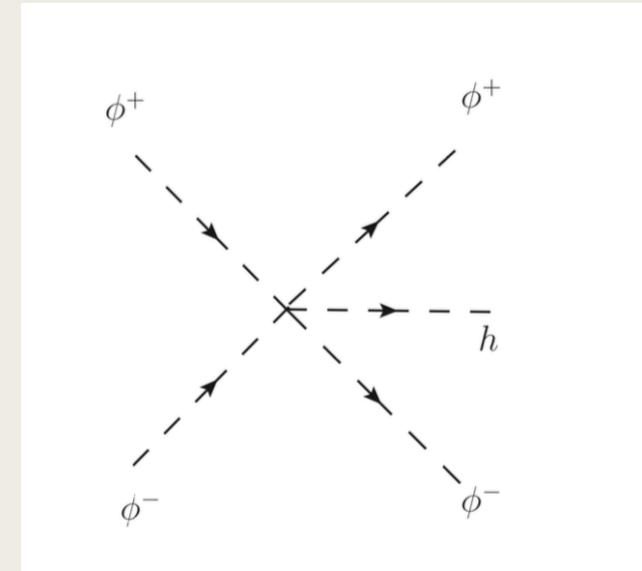
- 1. No propagator: only one diagram

$$\mathcal{A}_0^{\phi^+ \phi^- \rightarrow \phi^+ \phi^- h} = \lambda_{(\phi^+ \phi^-)^2 h} = 12ic_6 \frac{v}{\Lambda^2}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_0^{\phi^+ \phi^- \rightarrow hh} = \lambda_{\phi^+ \phi^- h^3} = 18ic_6 \frac{v}{\Lambda^2}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_0 \sim \frac{v}{\Lambda^2}.$$

- a. Only BSM contribution.
- b. The dominant diagram for  $c_6$

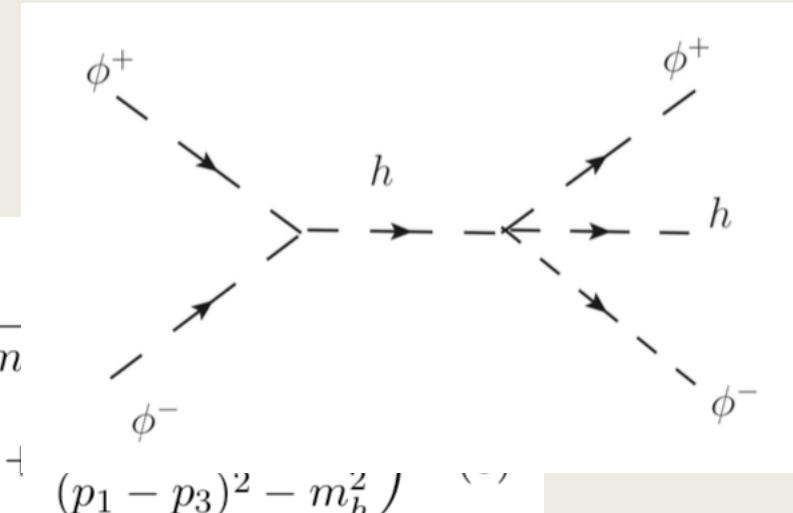


# Feynman diagrams

## ■ 2. One propagator.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_1^{BSM} \simeq & -i2C_{\Phi_1} \frac{m_h^2}{v} \left( \frac{(p_1 + p_2)^2}{(p_4 + p_5)^2 - m_W^2} + \frac{(p_1 + p_2)^2}{(p_3 + p_5)^2 - m_W^2} + \frac{(p_1 - p_3)^2}{(p_2 - p_5)^2 - m_h^2} \right. \\ & \left. - iC_{\Phi_1} \frac{m_h^2}{v} \left( \frac{(p_1 + p_2)^2}{(p_3 + p_4)^2 - m_h^2} + \frac{(p_3 + p_4)^2}{(p_1 + p_2)^2 - m_h^2} + \frac{(p_1 - p_3)^2}{(p_2 - p_4)^2 - m_h^2} + \frac{(p_1 - p_3)^2}{(p_1 - p_3)^2 - m_h^2} \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

So we have  $\mathcal{A}_1^{BSM} \sim \frac{v}{\Lambda^2}$ .



$$\mathcal{A}_1^{SM} \sim \frac{v}{E^2}.$$

$$\mathcal{A}_1^{BSM} \sim \frac{v}{\Lambda^2}.$$

# Feynman diagrams

- Two propagators.

$$A_2 \simeq A_2^a + A_2^b + A_2^c \sim \frac{v}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{v}{E^2}$$

- $A_2^a$ : two scalars.

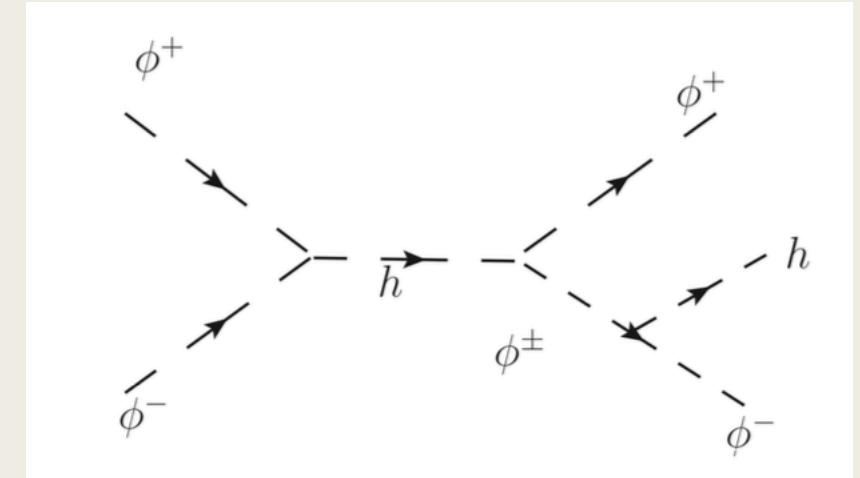
$$\mathcal{A}_2^{a,\text{BSM}} \sim \frac{v^3}{\Lambda^2 E^2}.$$

$$\mathcal{A}_2^{a,\text{SM}} \sim \frac{v^3}{E^4},$$

- $A_2^b$ : one scalar and one vector boson. Only SM

$$\mathcal{A}_2^{b,\text{SM}} \sim \frac{v}{E^2}.$$

- $A_2^c$ : two vector bosons. Only SM:  $\mathcal{A}_2^c \sim \frac{v}{E^2}.$



# Total Amplitudes in High Energy

$$\mathcal{A}(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^- h) = \mathcal{A}^{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{A}^{\text{BSM}} \quad (13)$$

with

$$\mathcal{A}^{\text{SM}} \simeq \frac{v}{E^2} \quad \mathcal{A}^{\text{BSM}} \simeq \frac{v}{\Lambda^2} \quad (14)$$

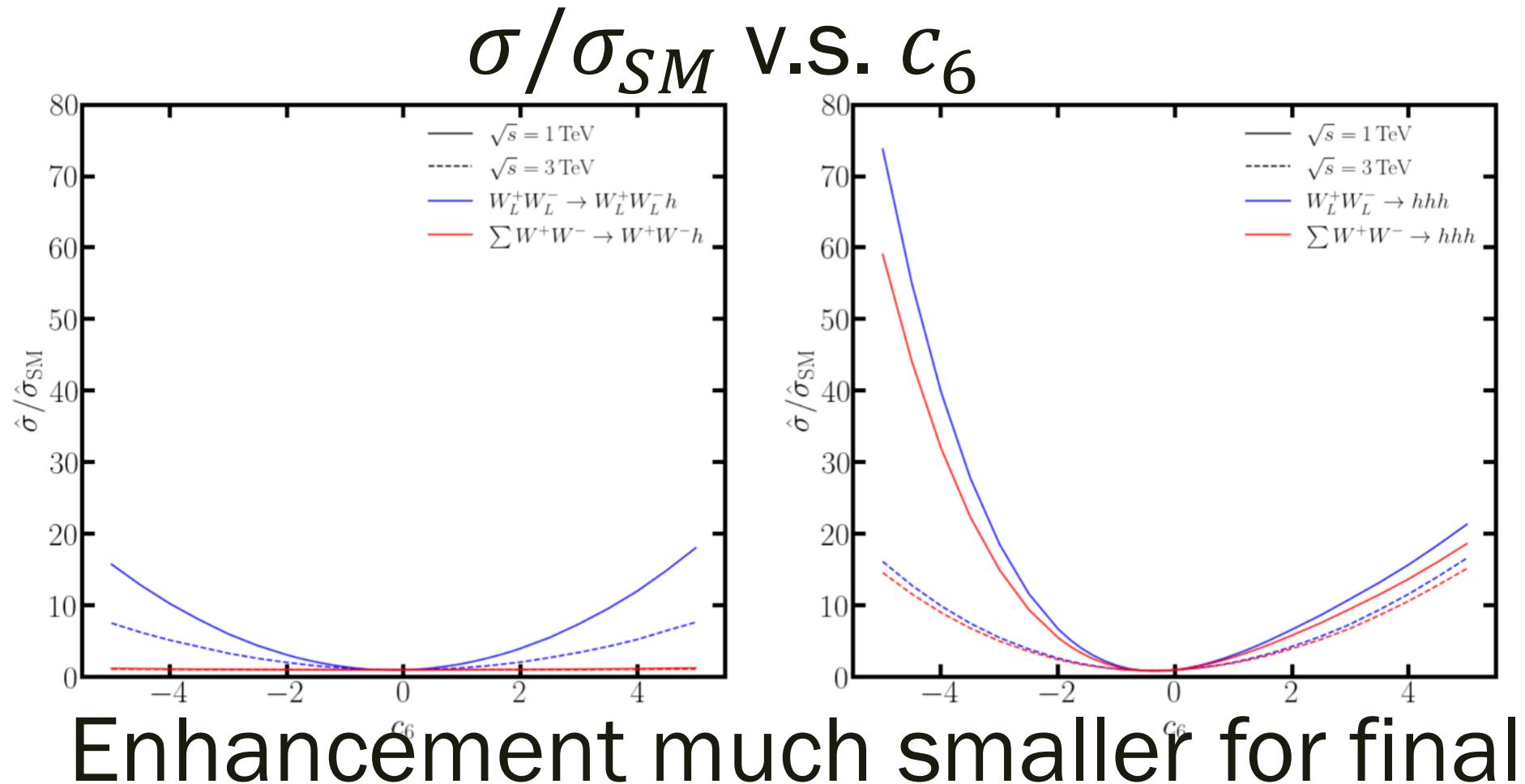
The ratio between BSM and SM is approximately

$$\frac{\mathcal{A}^{\text{BSM}}}{\mathcal{A}^{\text{SM}}} \sim \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2} \quad (15)$$

SM has logarithmic enhancement at low  $P_T$  from infrared singularities (soft, and collinear)

## 3.2 Partonic cross section

# 3. Cross Section and Constraints



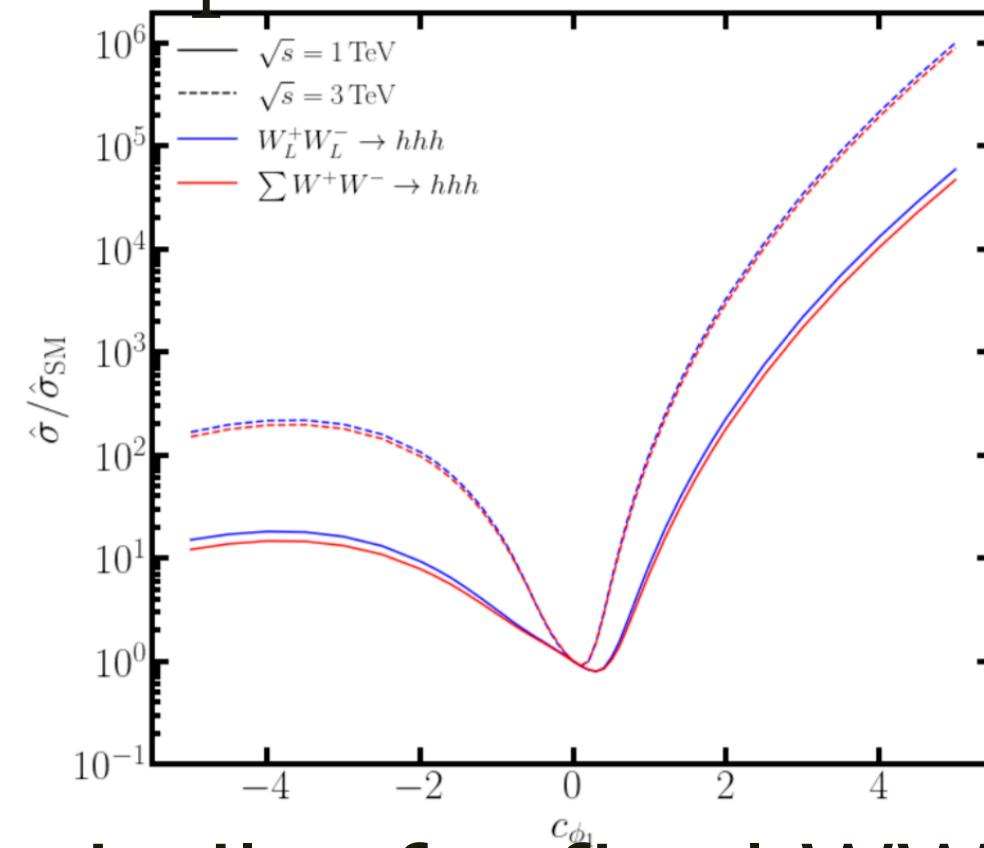
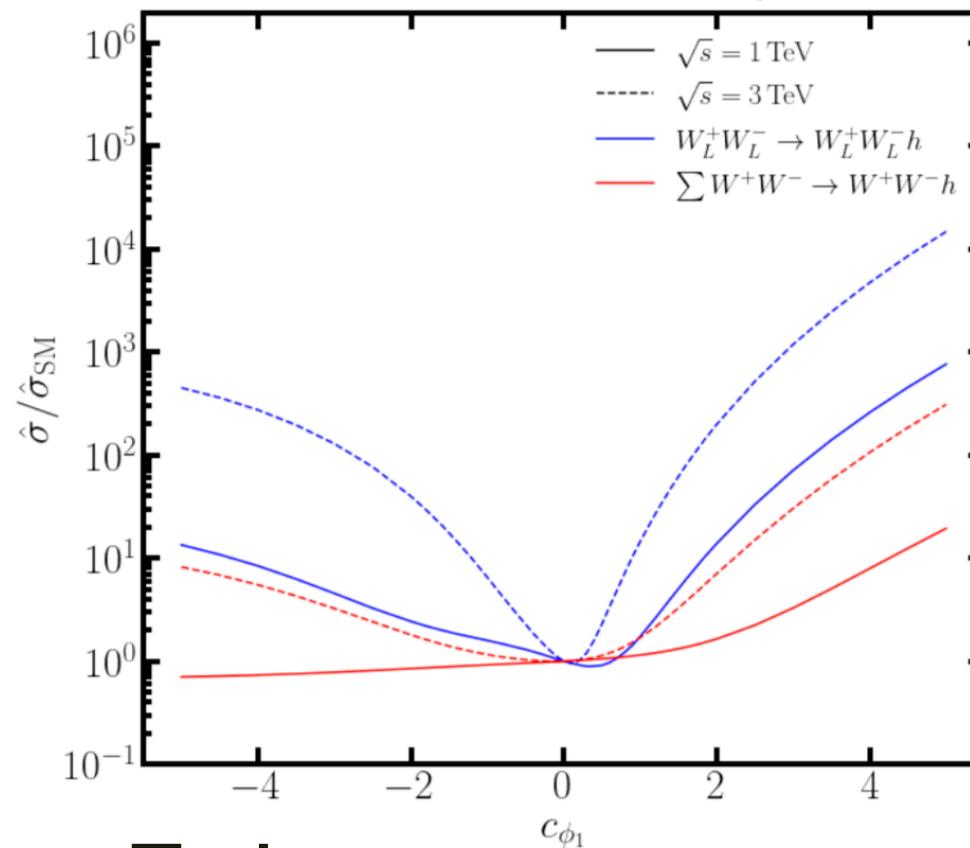
Enhancement much smaller for final

WWWh

Figure 3:  $\hat{\sigma}/\hat{\sigma}_{SM}$  for  $W^+W^- \rightarrow W^+W^-h$  and  $W^+W^- \rightarrow hhh$  as functions of  $c_6$ .

### 3. Cross Section and Constraints

$\sigma/\sigma_{SM}$  v.s.  $c_{\Phi_1}$



Enhancement are similar for final WW $h$  and final hh $h$ .

Figure 7.  $\hat{\sigma}/\hat{\sigma}_{SM}$  for  $W_L^+W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^+W_L^- h$  and  $W^+W^- \rightarrow hhh$  as functions of  $c_{\Phi_1}$ .

## 3.2 Full Processes

## 3. Cross Section and Constraints

$$l^+l^- \rightarrow \nu_l \bar{\nu}_l W_L^+ W_L^- h$$

$$pp \rightarrow jj W_L^\pm W_L^\pm h$$

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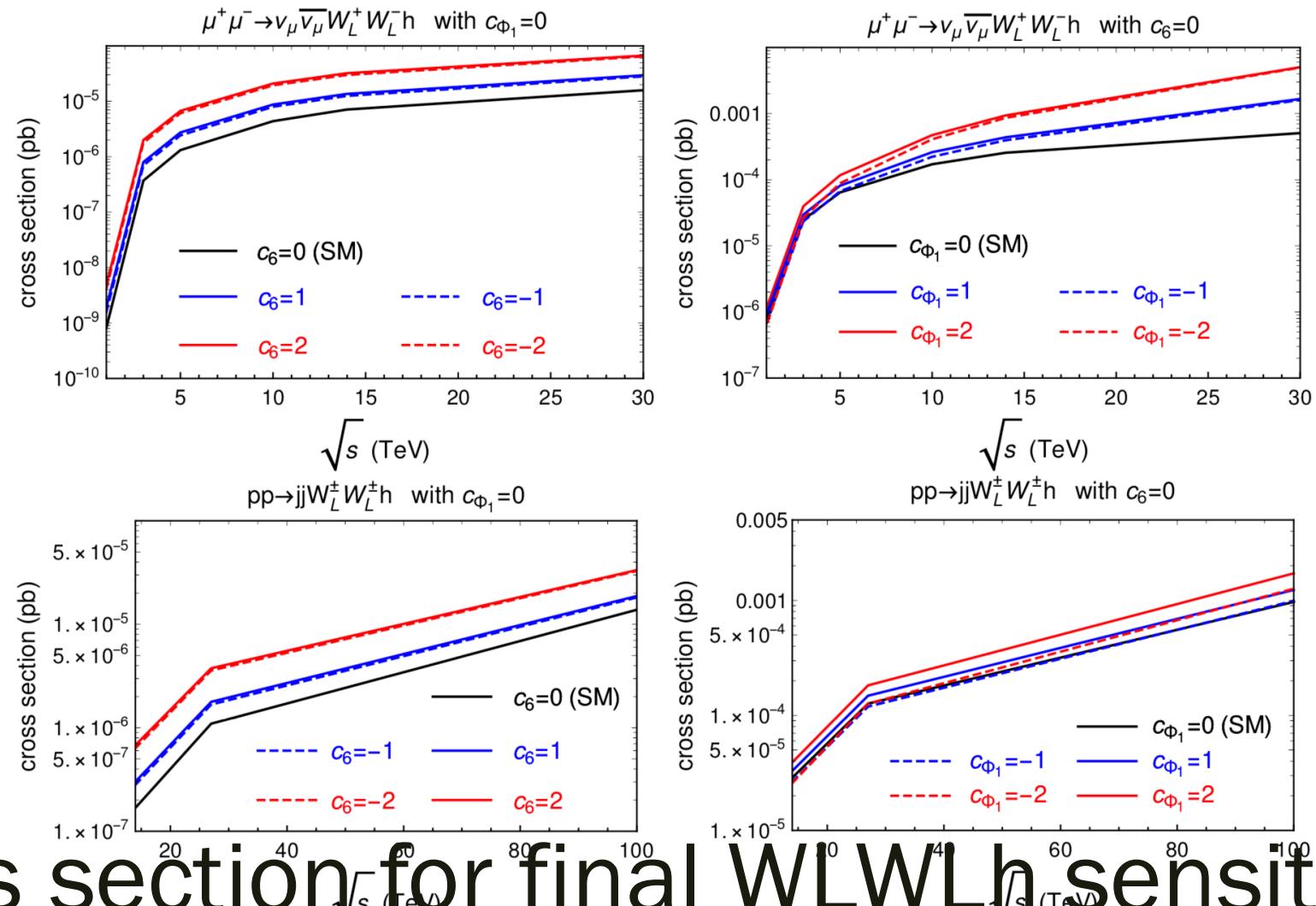
Lepton colliders: 1-30 TeV

Hadron colliders: 14, 27, 100 TeV

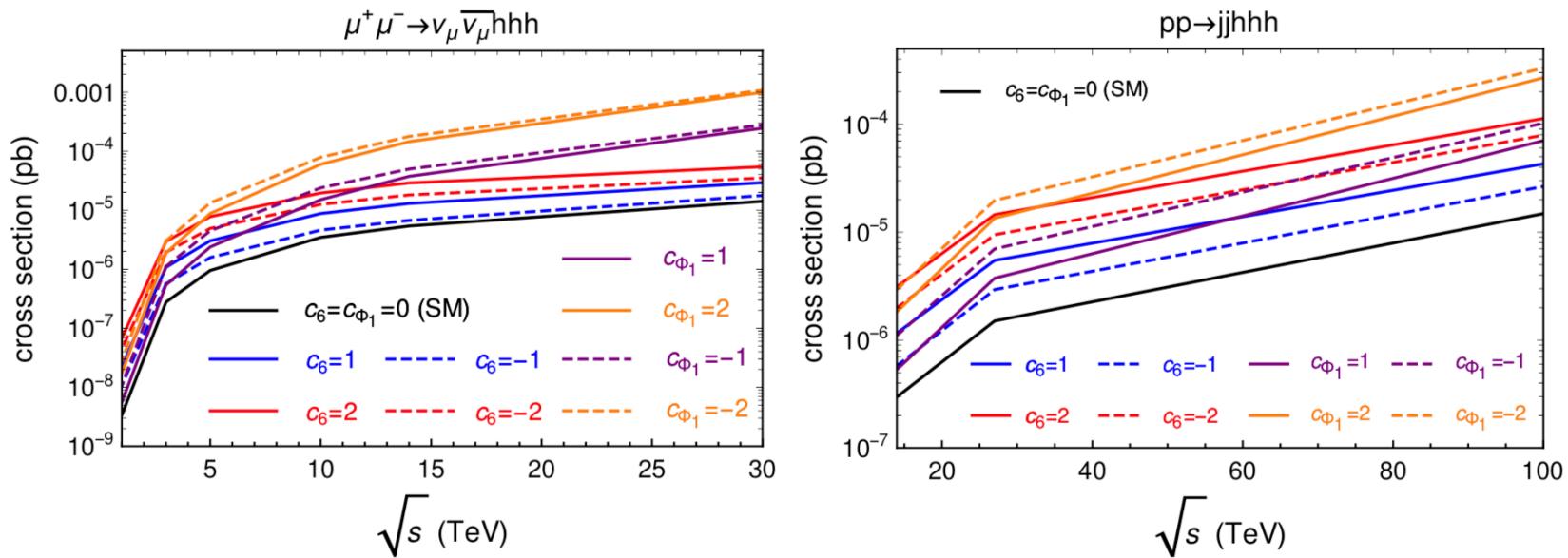
Simulation:

1. Select final vector bosons to be longitudinal
2. Impose PT cuts on final VL to reduce SM background.

## 3.2 Full Processes: simulation results



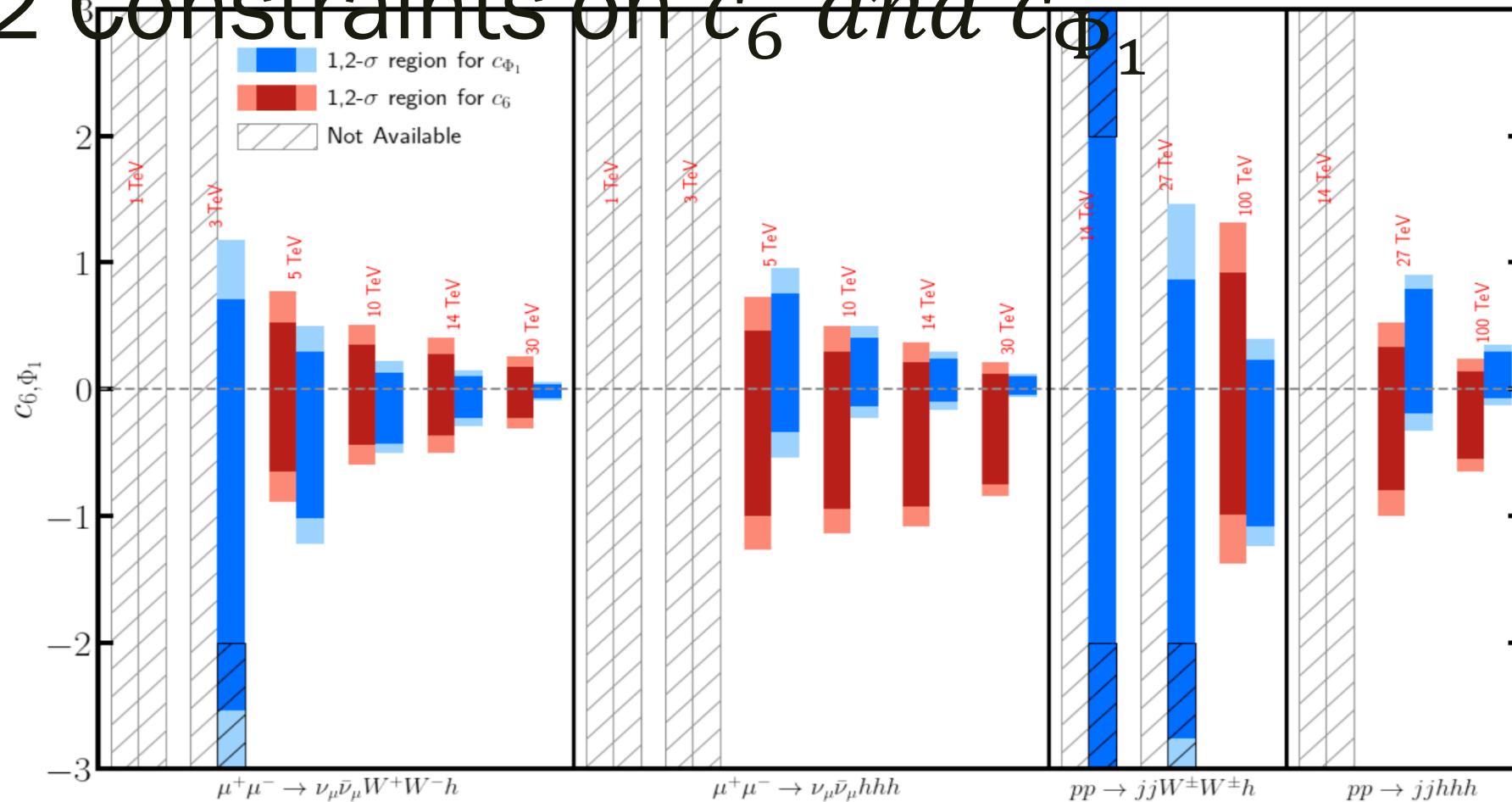
Cross section for final  $W_L W_L h$  sensitive to  $c_6$  and  $c_{\Phi_1}$ .



**Figure 9:** The vary of cross sections for  $c_6 = \pm 1, \pm 2$  with  $c_{\Phi_1} = 0$  and  $c_{\Phi_1} = \pm 1, \pm 2$  with  $c_6 = 0$  for  $\mu^+\mu^-\rightarrow\nu_\mu\bar{\nu}_\mu hhh$  from  $\sqrt{s} = 1$  to 30 TeV (left panel) and  $pp\rightarrow jjhh$  from  $\sqrt{s} = 14$  to 100 TeV (right panel).

# Cross section for final hhh sensitive to $c_6$ and $c_{\Phi_1}$ .

### 3.2 Constraints on $c_6$ and $c_{\Phi_1}$



**Figure 12:** The allowed region for  $c_6$  (red) and  $c_{\Phi_1}$  (blue) from different channels. The darker color indicates the 1- $\sigma$  region, while lighter one indicates the 2- $\sigma$  region. The hatched region are not available either due to low event rate or beyond [-2, 2].

**Naive estimation: no decay, no background analysis.**

# Conclusions

- $2 \rightarrow 3$  VBS includes:  $V_L V_L \rightarrow V_L V_L h$ ,  $V_L V_L \rightarrow hhh$
- Amplitude of  $2 \rightarrow 3$  VBS under SMEFT is very sensitive to new physics:  $\frac{\mathcal{A}^{BSM}}{\mathcal{A}^{SM}} \sim \frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2}$
- Subtleties in cross sections: select long. pol.; impose PT cuts
- $W^+ W^- \rightarrow W^+ W^- h$  and  $W^+ W^- \rightarrow hhh$ . are good channels to measure Higgs self-couplings, in 100 TeV pp collider, and especially future muon colliders.