
The Higgs boson as a probe at hadron colliders

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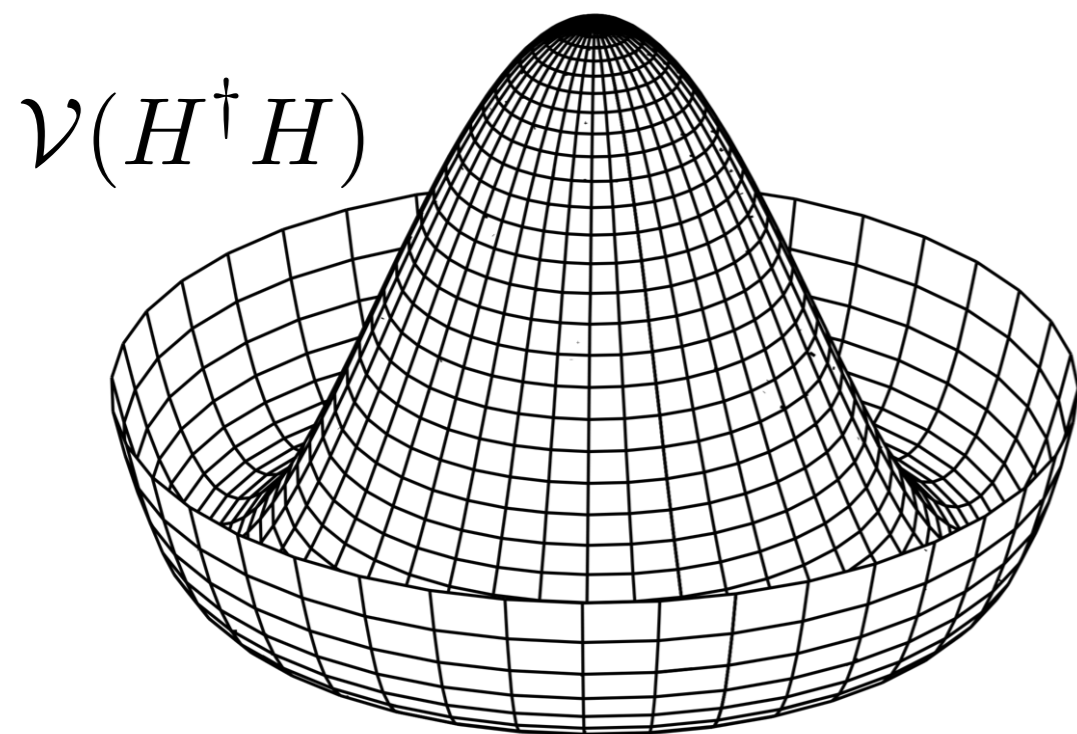
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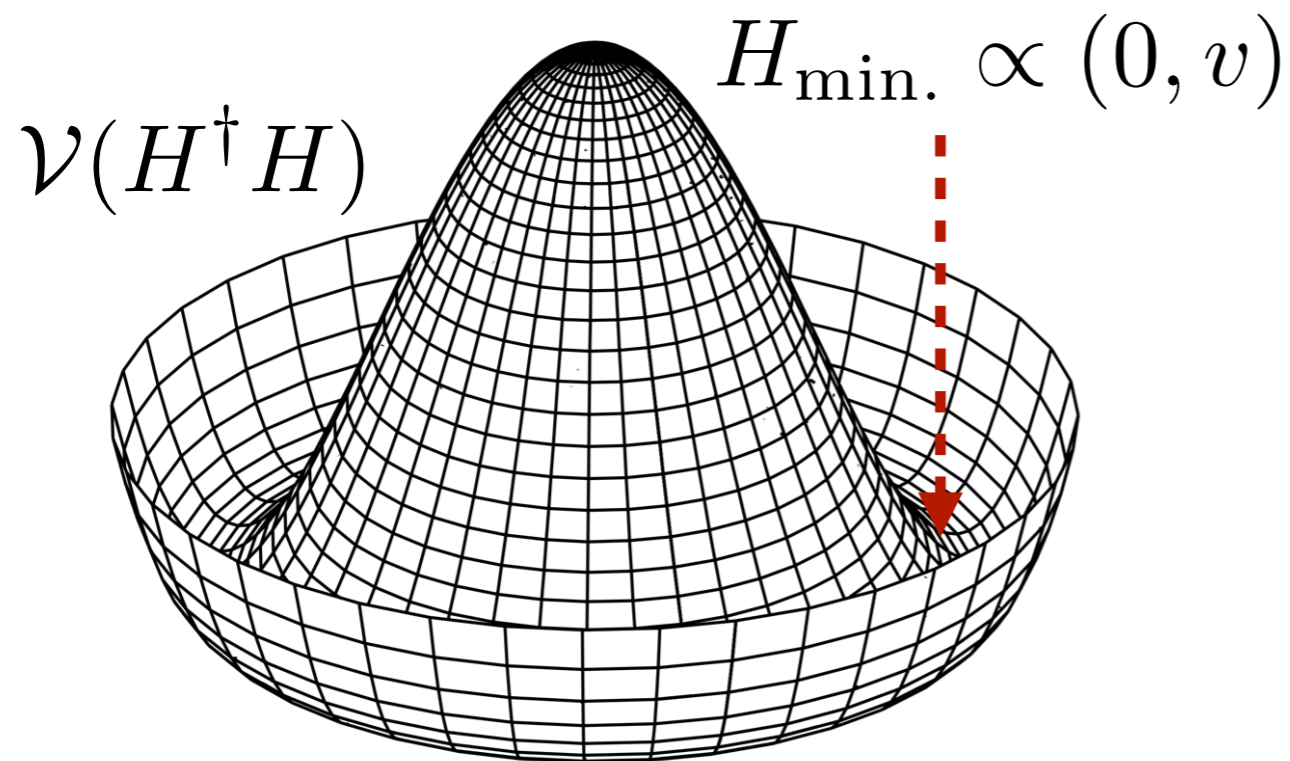


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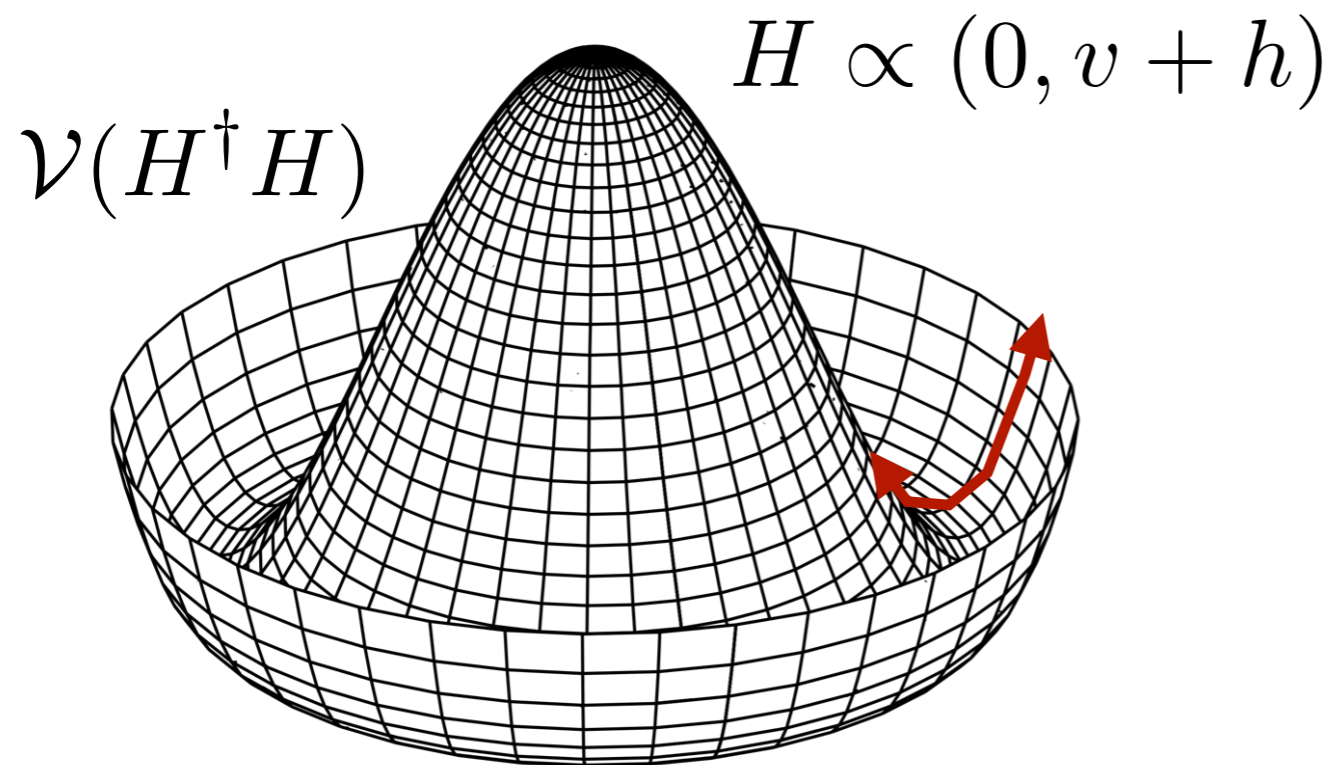


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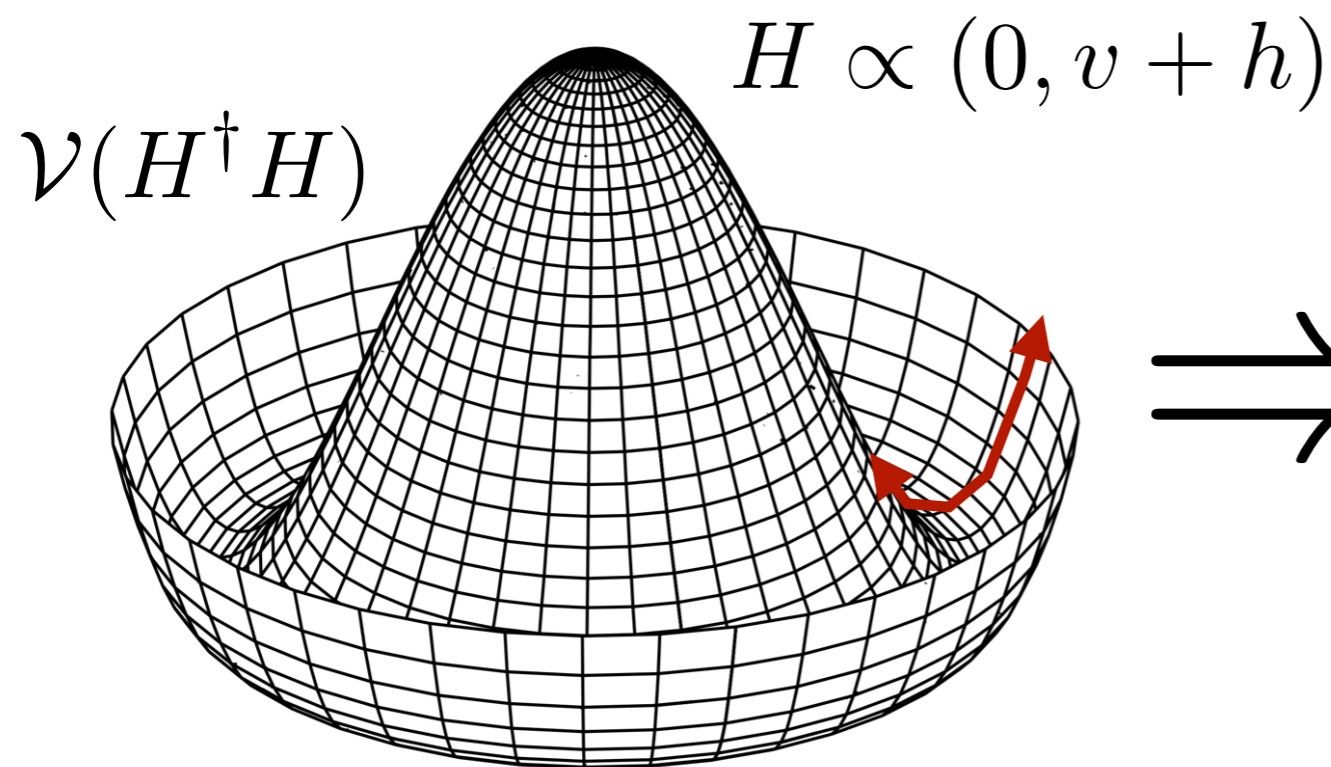


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**also: effective interactions of Higgs bosons and gluons/
photons:**

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{L} \supset \frac{\alpha_S}{12\pi} G^{a\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}^a \frac{h}{v} + \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{2\pi} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \frac{h}{v} \left(N_c \frac{e_t^2}{3} - \frac{7}{4} \right)$$

[see, e.g. B. Kniehl, M. Spira, hep-ph/9505225]



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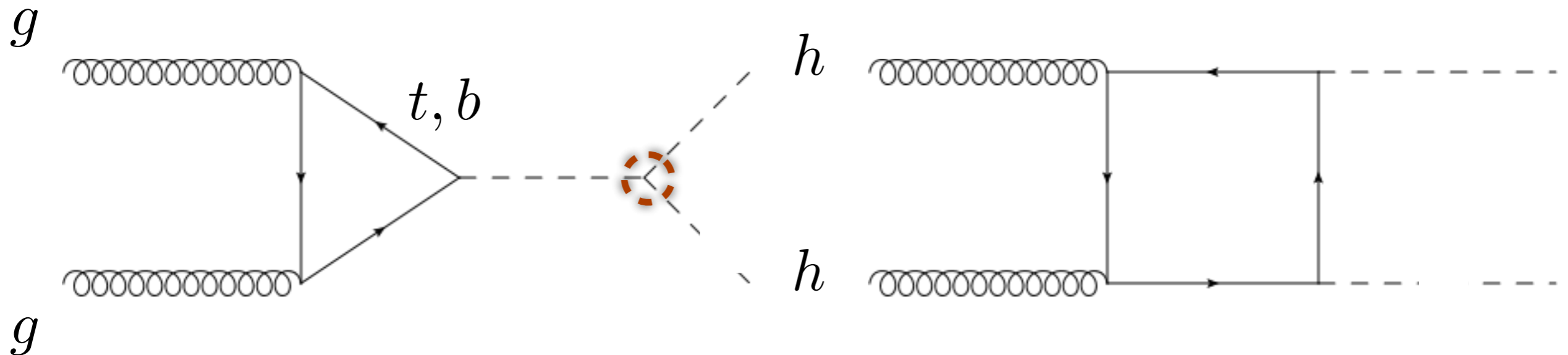
EWSB: $H \propto (0, v + h)$

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➔ the Higgs boson can be used to study the SM, e.g. the self-couplings via:

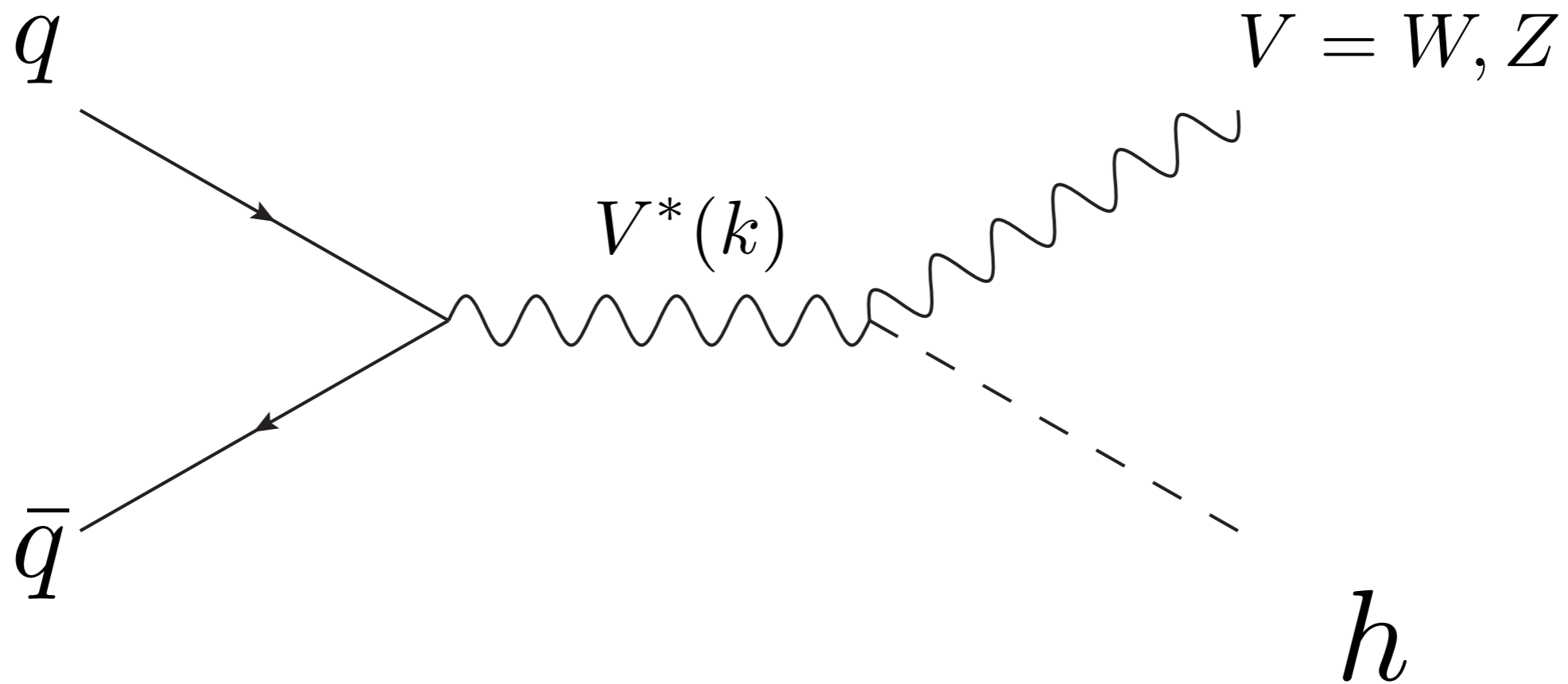
$$pp \rightarrow hh \quad (\text{also: } pp \rightarrow hhh)$$

[see talk by J. Baglio]



or via associated production with vector bosons:

$$pp \rightarrow hV \quad (\text{and: } pp \rightarrow hhV)$$

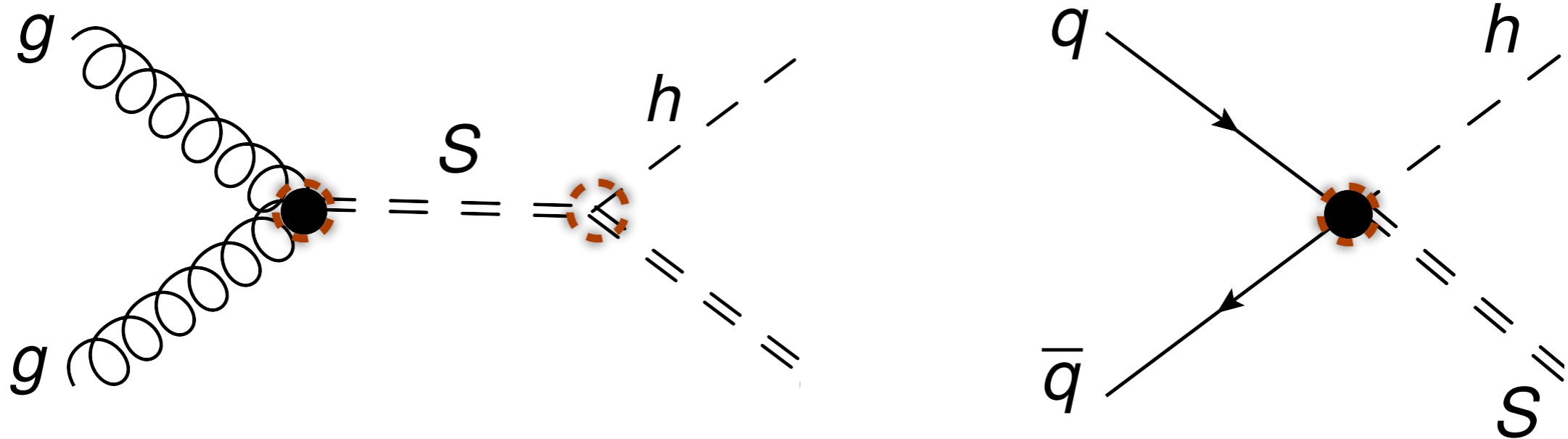


[this talk!]

or by relating new particles to EWSB:

$$pp \rightarrow hS$$

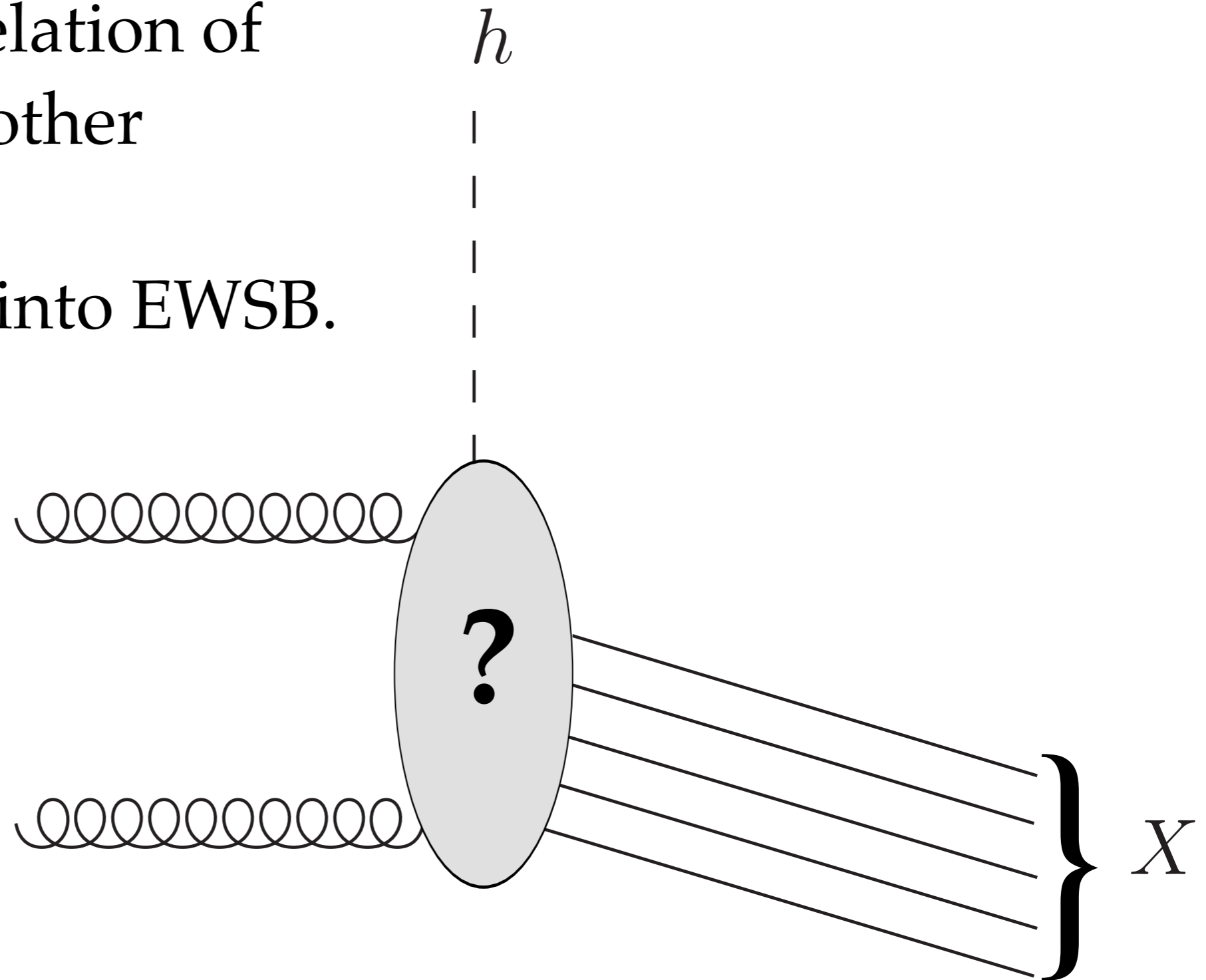
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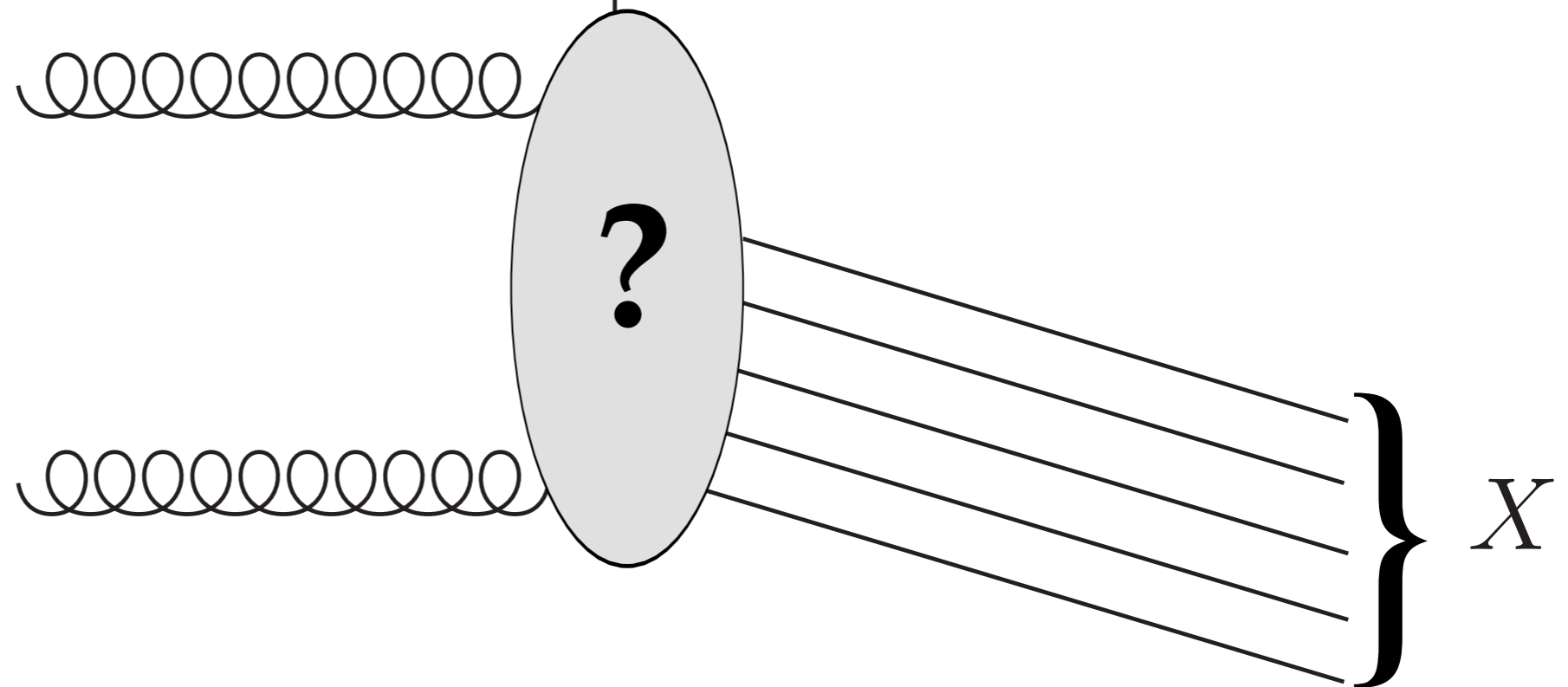
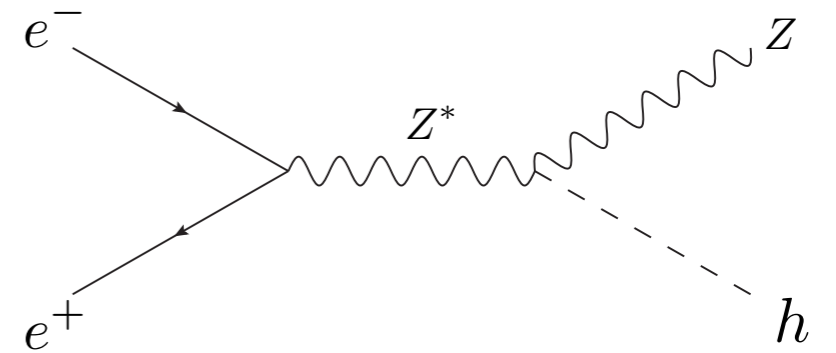


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note: e^+e^- machines primarily through associated production!



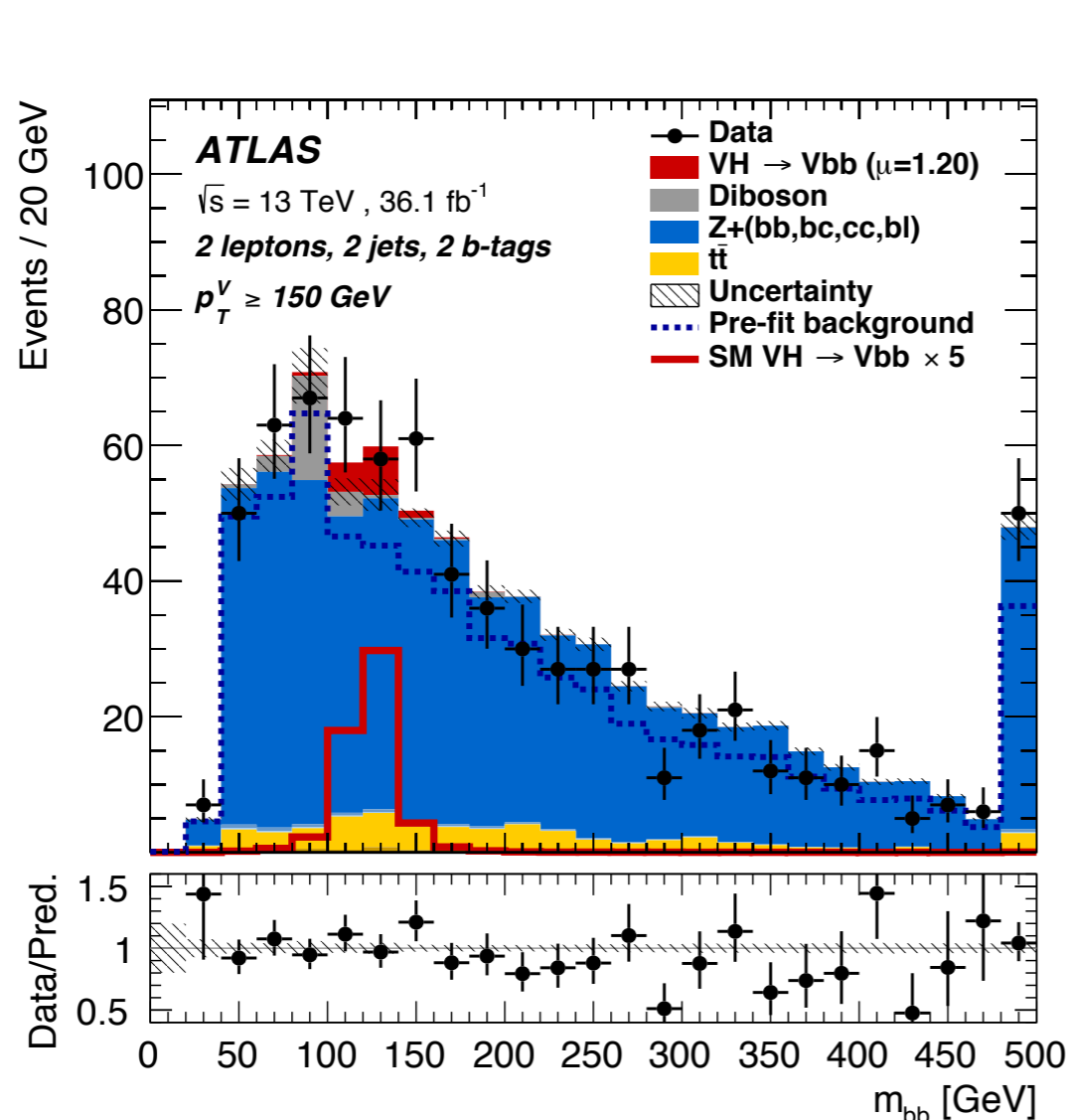
Higgs associated production:

- ◆ $pp \rightarrow hh$ [see talk by J. Baglio]
- ◆ $pp \rightarrow hV$ this talk!
- ◆ $pp \rightarrow hS$ [not this talk, but see appendices]
- ◆ $pp \rightarrow ht\bar{t}, pp \rightarrow h + \text{jets}, [\dots]$ [not this talk, but extremely interesting!]

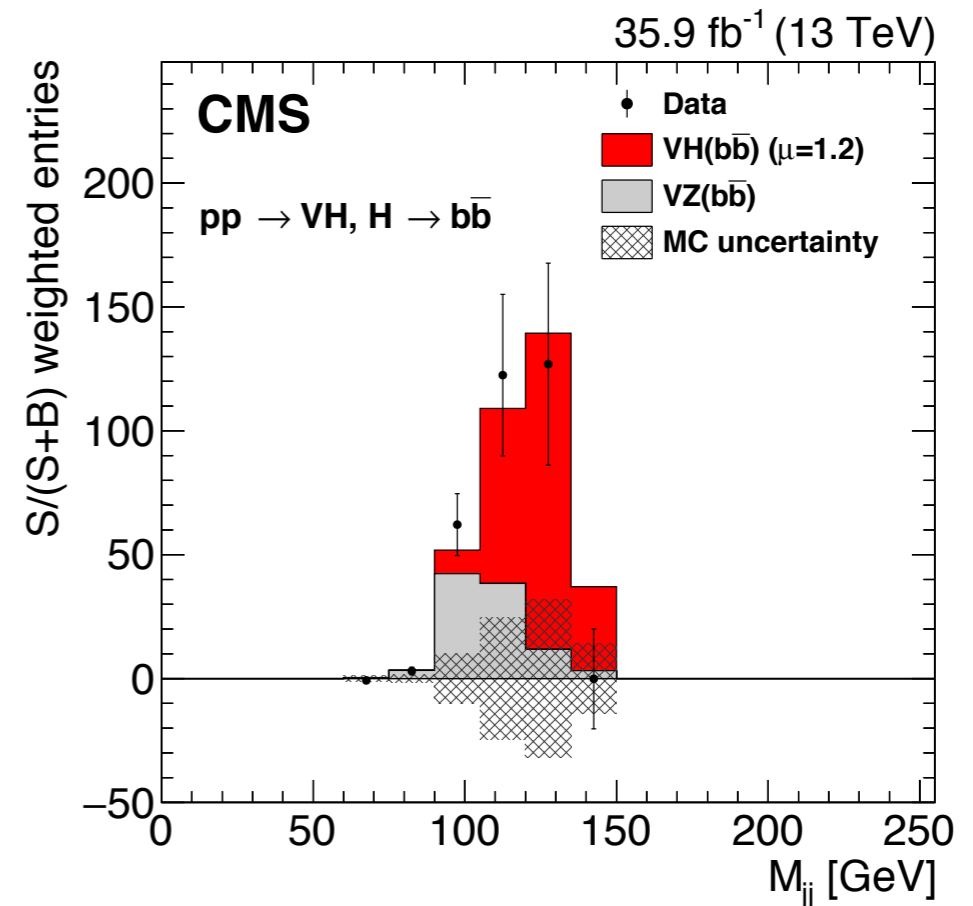
Higgs+Vector boson

→ observed in LHC Run II data: $Vh(\rightarrow b\bar{b})$

[ATLAS, 1708.03299, CMS 1709.07497]

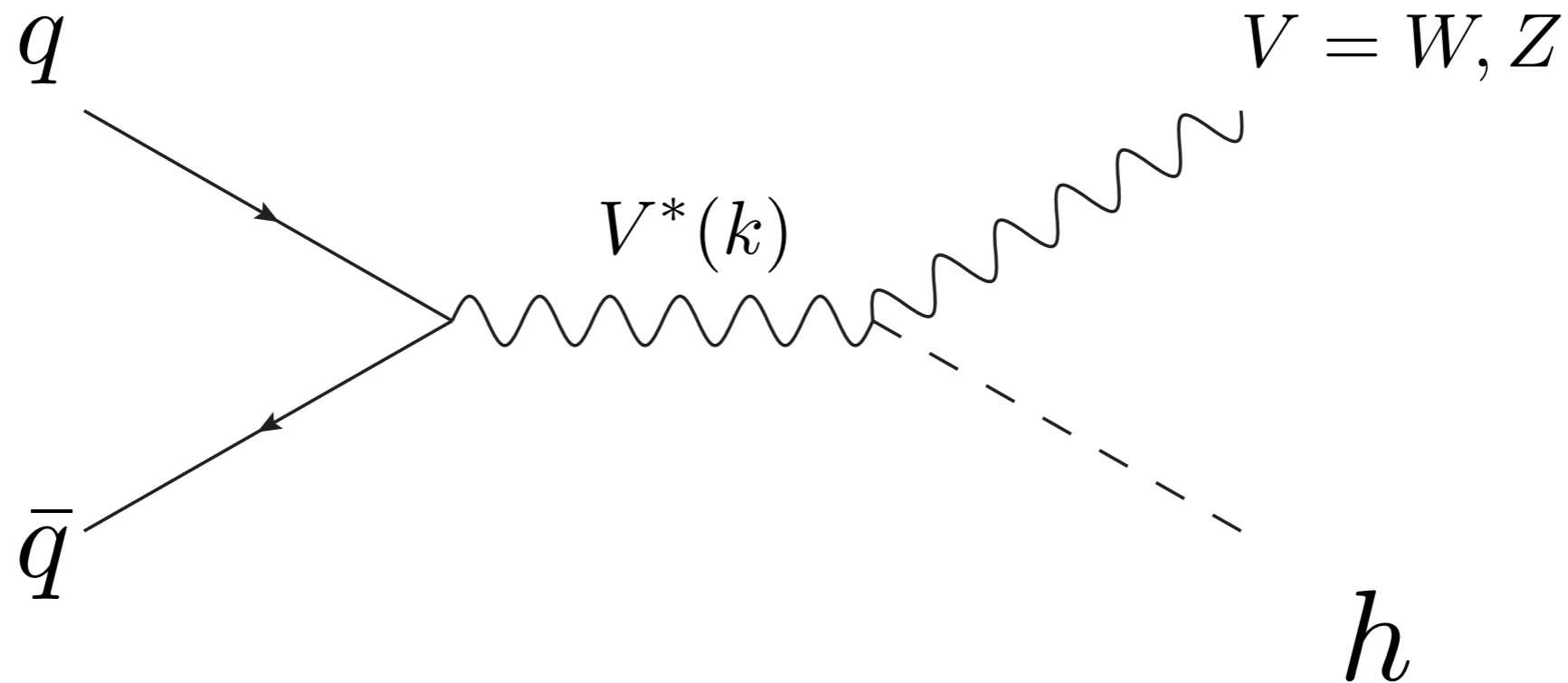


[The post-fit distributions for the bottom-anti-bottom invariant mass.]



[Weighted dijet invariant mass distribution for events in all channels combined. Shown are data and the VH and VZ processes with all other background processes subtracted.]

Drell-Yan-like $pp \rightarrow hV$

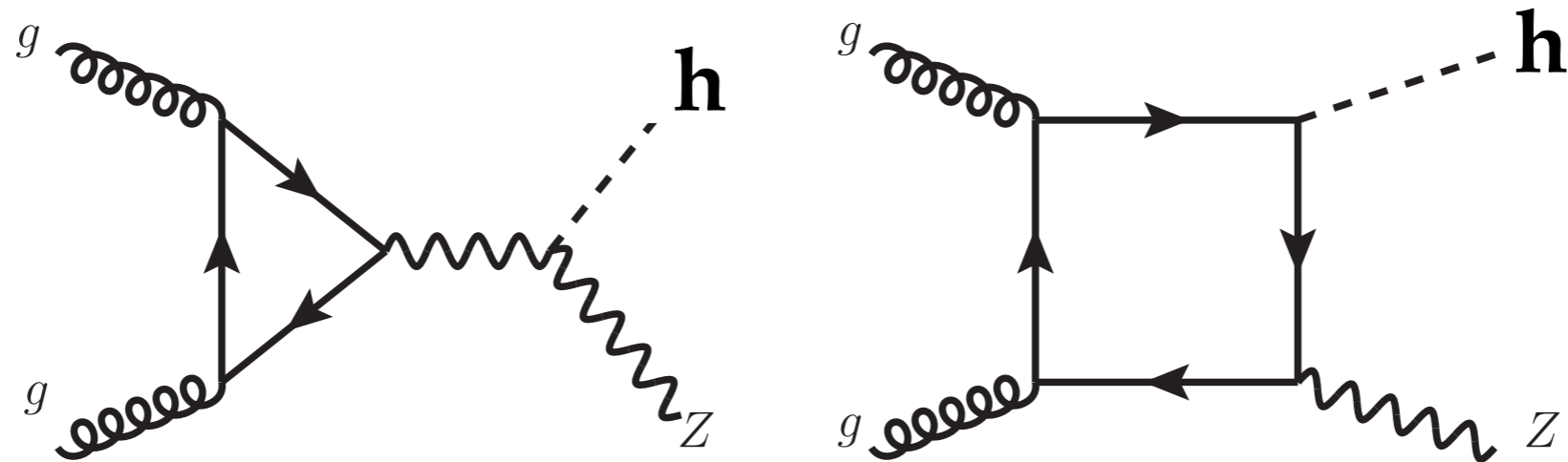


$$\sigma_{\text{DY}}^{VH} \simeq \int dk^2 \sigma^{V^*}(k^2) \frac{d\Gamma_{V^* \rightarrow VH}}{dk^2}$$

- known to NNLO in QCD. [e.g. Brein, Djouadi, Harlander, hep-ph/0307206]
- electro-weak corrections also known.

[Ciccolini, Dittmaier, Krämer hep-ph/0306234, Denner, Dittmaier, Kallweit, Mück 1112.5242]

$gg \rightarrow hZ$



- formally: an NNLO QCD contribution to $pp \rightarrow hZ$.
- exact QCD corrections currently **not** available.
[Altenkamp, Dittmaier, Harlander, Rzehak, Zirke, 1211.5015, Harlander, Kulesza, Theeuwes, Zirke, 1410.0217, Hasselhuhn, Luthe, Steinhauser, 1611.05881]
- (and **no** estimates of EW corrections.)
- @LHC: $\sim 7\%$ of hZ σ , $\sim 16\%$ with $p_T(h) > 150$ GeV.

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- The general idea:
 - Drell-Yan $pp \rightarrow hW$ and $pp \rightarrow hZ$ are similar.*
 - ratio of signal strengths of ($pp \rightarrow hZ$) and ($pp \rightarrow hW$):
 - ➔ cancel some theoretical and experimental (systematic) uncertainties.
- potential discovery of SM $gg \rightarrow hZ$ @ LHC ($L=3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$).

[* the symmetry between $V=W$ and $V=Z$ has been used before as a way to measure the W boson mass at hadron colliders, see Giele, Keller, hep-ph/9704419.]

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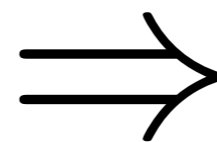
- ratio of signal strengths of ($pp \rightarrow hZ$) and ($pp \rightarrow hW$):

$$\mu_{Vh} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{Vh}^{\text{measured}}}{\sigma_{Vh}^{\text{theory}}} \longrightarrow R = \frac{\mu_{Zh}}{\mu_{Wh}} \quad \text{“double ratio of signal strengths”}$$

- error propagation:

$$\left(\frac{\delta R}{R}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\delta \mu_{Zh}}{\mu_{Zh}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\delta \mu_{Wh}}{\mu_{Wh}}\right)^2 - 2 \rho(\mu_{Zh}, \mu_{Wh}) \delta \mu_{Zh} \delta \mu_{Wh}$$

the correlation between the signal strengths.



quantifies how much systematics may cancel.

[systematic uncertainties should be correlated]

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$$R = \frac{\sigma_{Zh}^{\text{measured}}}{\sigma_{Wh}^{\text{measured}}} \times \frac{\sigma_{Wh}^{\text{theory}}}{\sigma_{Zh}^{\text{theory}}}$$

contains data statistics uncertainty.
[here: estimated via pheno Monte Carlo analysis.]

actually,
"measure": $R' = \frac{\sigma_{Zh}^{\text{measured}}}{\sigma_{Wh}^{\text{measured}}} \times \frac{\sigma_{Wh}^{\text{theory}}}{\sigma_{Zh}^{\text{theory, DY}}}$ \Leftrightarrow

measuring: $R' > 1$
 \Rightarrow detect **non-DY**
component of Zh

- using R' instead of Zh rate directly: improved significance,
- ➔ provided high correlation between Zh and Wh systematics.

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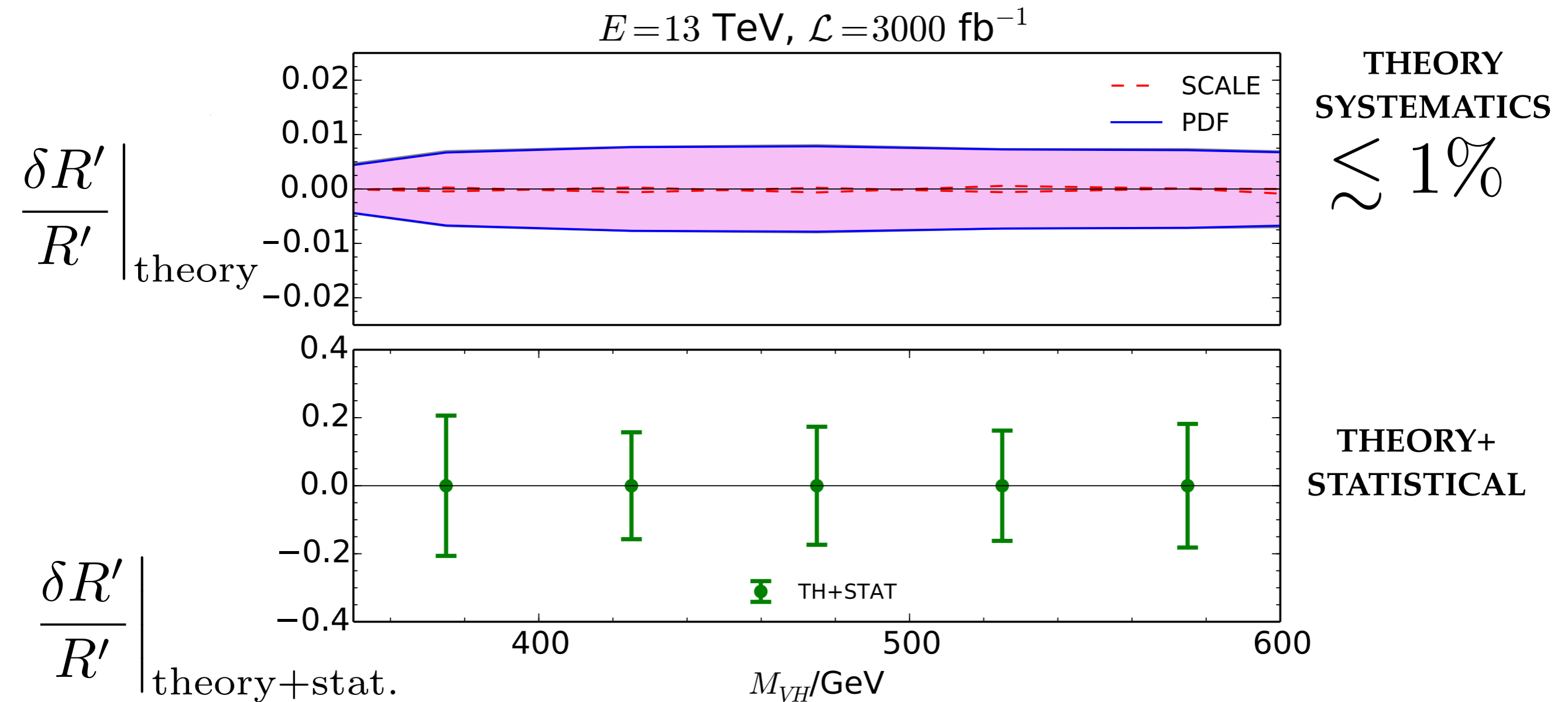
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- extrapolate **current systematic ATLAS** uncertainties & assume fully-correlated ($\rho \sim 1$) [\rightarrow get $\delta R'$],
- & perform pheno analysis following **ATLAS** [\rightarrow get value of R'].
- \rightarrow SM $gg \rightarrow hZ$ observation only at $\sim 2\sigma$ -level @ LHC 3000 fb⁻¹.
- with systematics **halved** $\Rightarrow \sim 3.2\sigma$ @ 3000 fb⁻¹ [1 + 2-lepton channels, 0-lepton channel **not** included].
- ratio method competitive with “direct” search of $gg \rightarrow hZ$ vs. total hZ production if correlation large: i.e. $\rho \gtrsim 0.75$.

SM-like $gg \rightarrow hZ$ @ LHC

- but:** TH syst. uncertainties, already incl. in δR , cancel significantly in double ratio:

[Harlander, Klappert, Pandini, AP, 1804.02299]



SM-like $gg \rightarrow hZ$ @ $pp@100$ TeV

fraction of gluon-fusion hZ in total:

pp Energy:	$gg \rightarrow hZ$ inclusively	$gg \rightarrow hZ$ $p_T(h) > 150$ GeV
13 TeV	$\sim 7\%$	$\sim 16\%$
100 TeV	$\sim 25\%$	$\sim 43\%$

- **13 \rightarrow 100 TeV:**
increase of σ :
 gg : $\sim 50\times$,
 DY : $\sim 10\times$.
- [the p_T spectrum gets only slightly harder.]

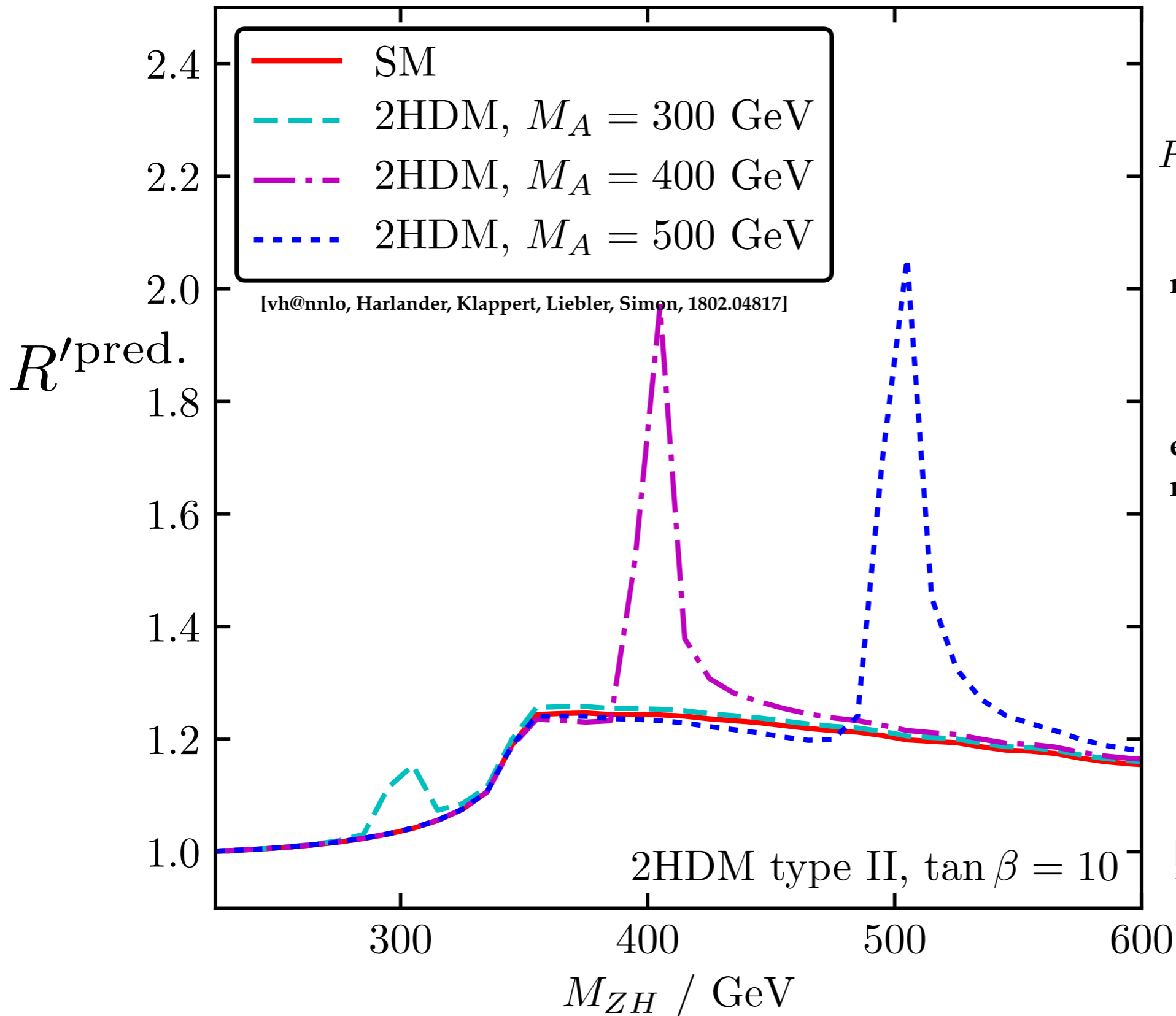
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consider the “theoretical” ratio:

$$R'^{\text{pred.}} = 1 + \frac{\sigma_{Zh}^{\text{theory, non-DY}}}{\sigma_{Zh}^{\text{theory, DY}}}$$

- ➔ a theoretical prediction of **non-DY Zh** in total Zh .
- ➔ compare this to R' (\rightarrow contains experimentally measured quantities),
- ➔ detect **non-DY Zh** , i.e. $R' > 1$.

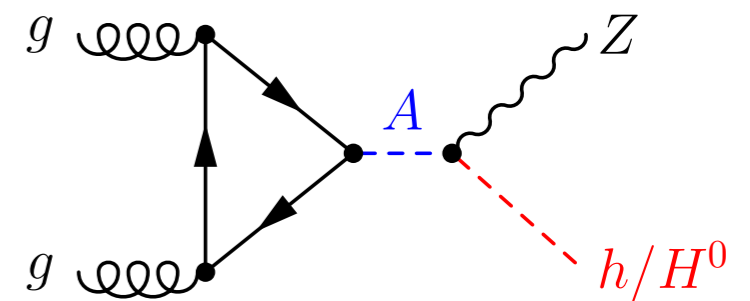
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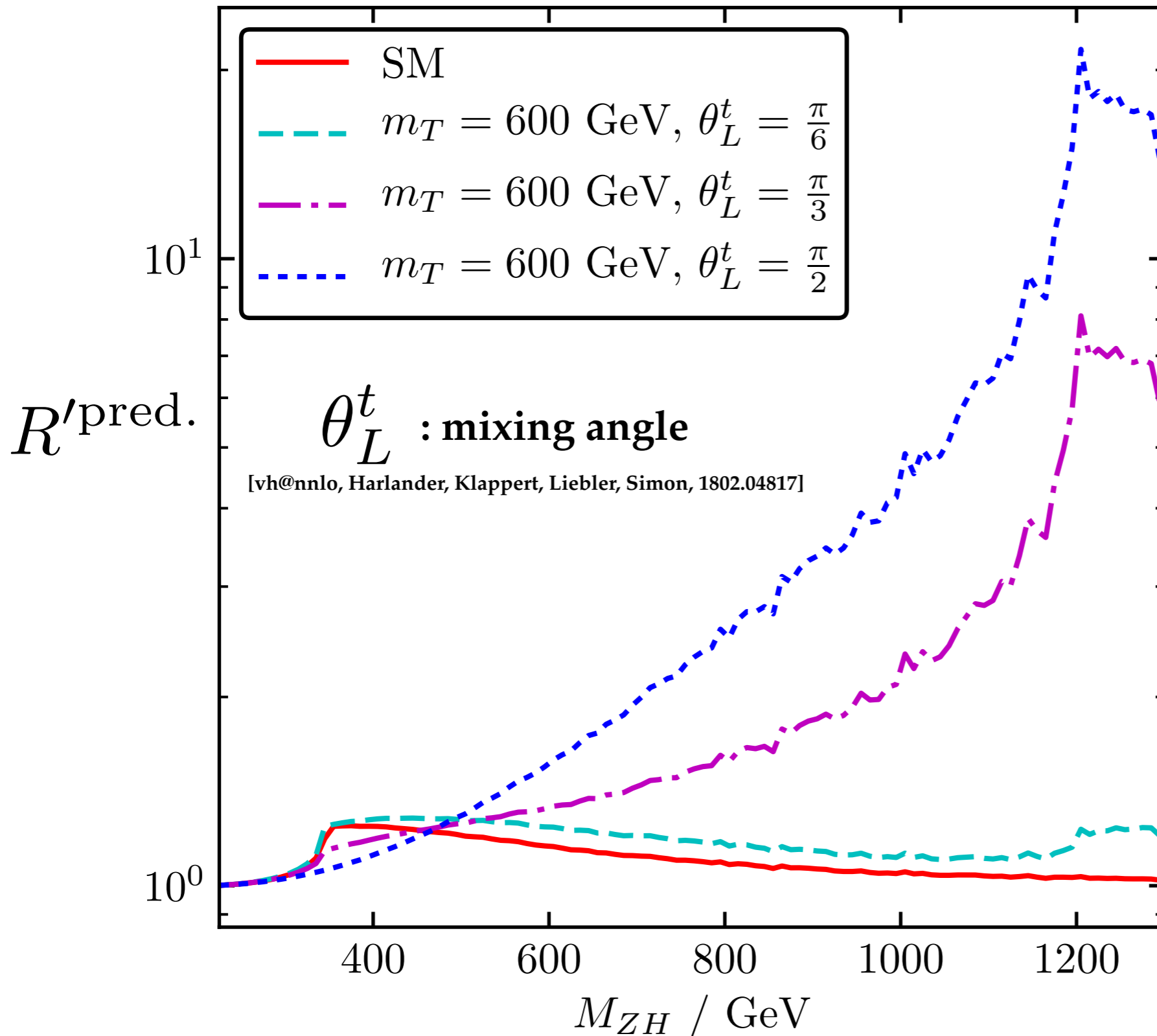
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example: two-Higgs doublet model, A=pseudo-scalar Higgs



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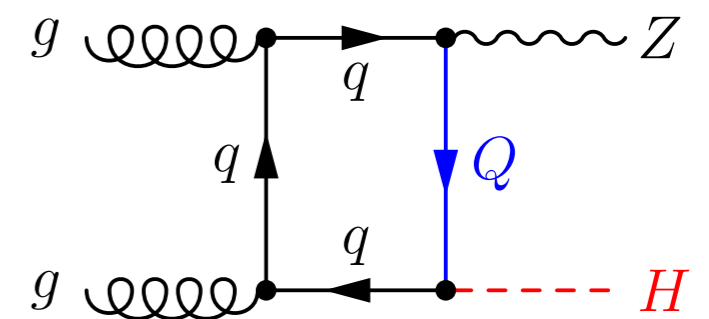
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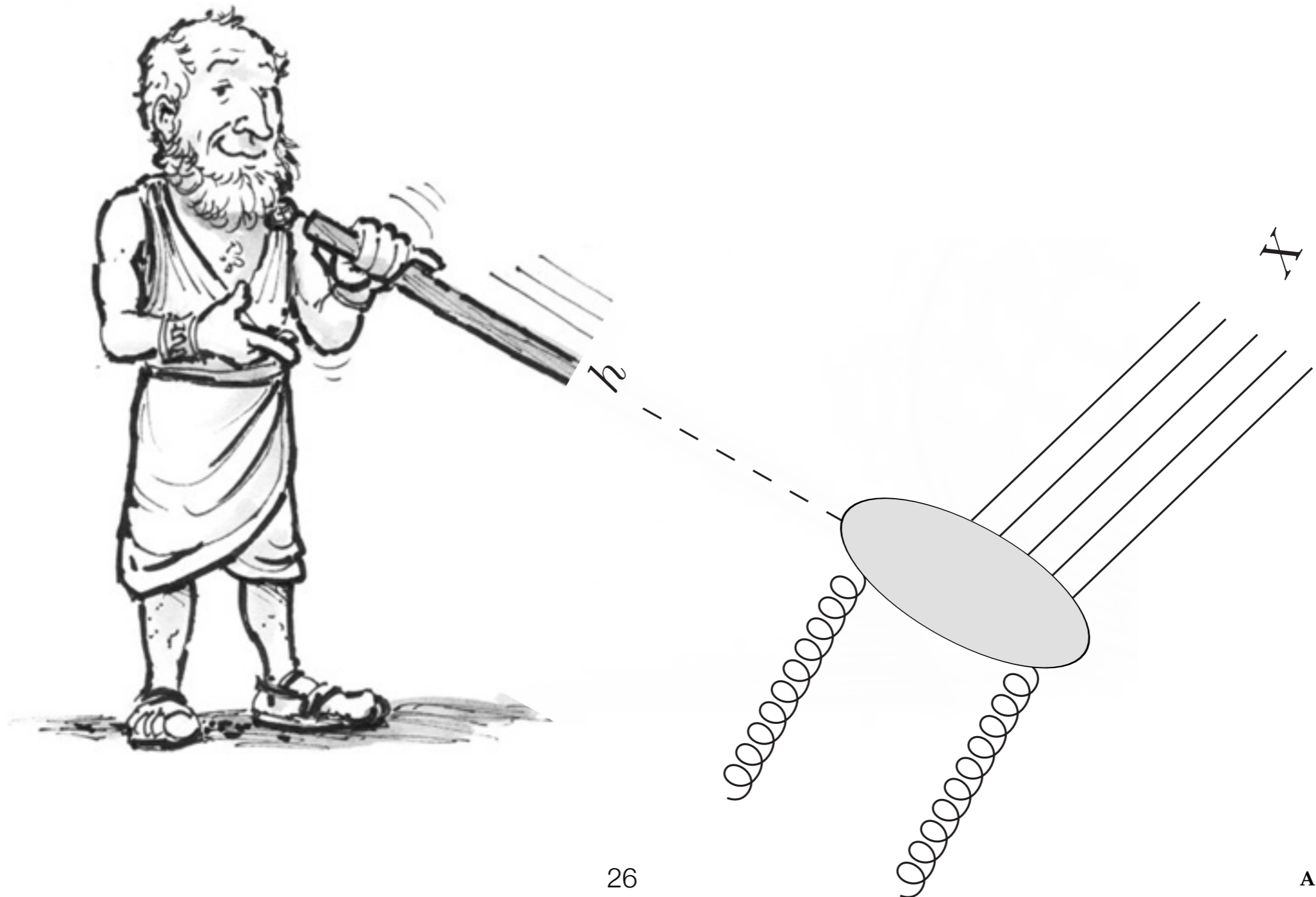
summary / conclusions

- the Higgs boson is the **central actor** of EWSB,
- can become a “**probe**” in several processes!
- important example: associated production with a vector boson, Vh : comes in two flavours, $V=W, Z$.
- separating out **gluon-fusion component** of Zh : **unravel** interesting new phenomena!
- ratio of Wh and Vh production can **eliminate systematics** & increase sensitivity.

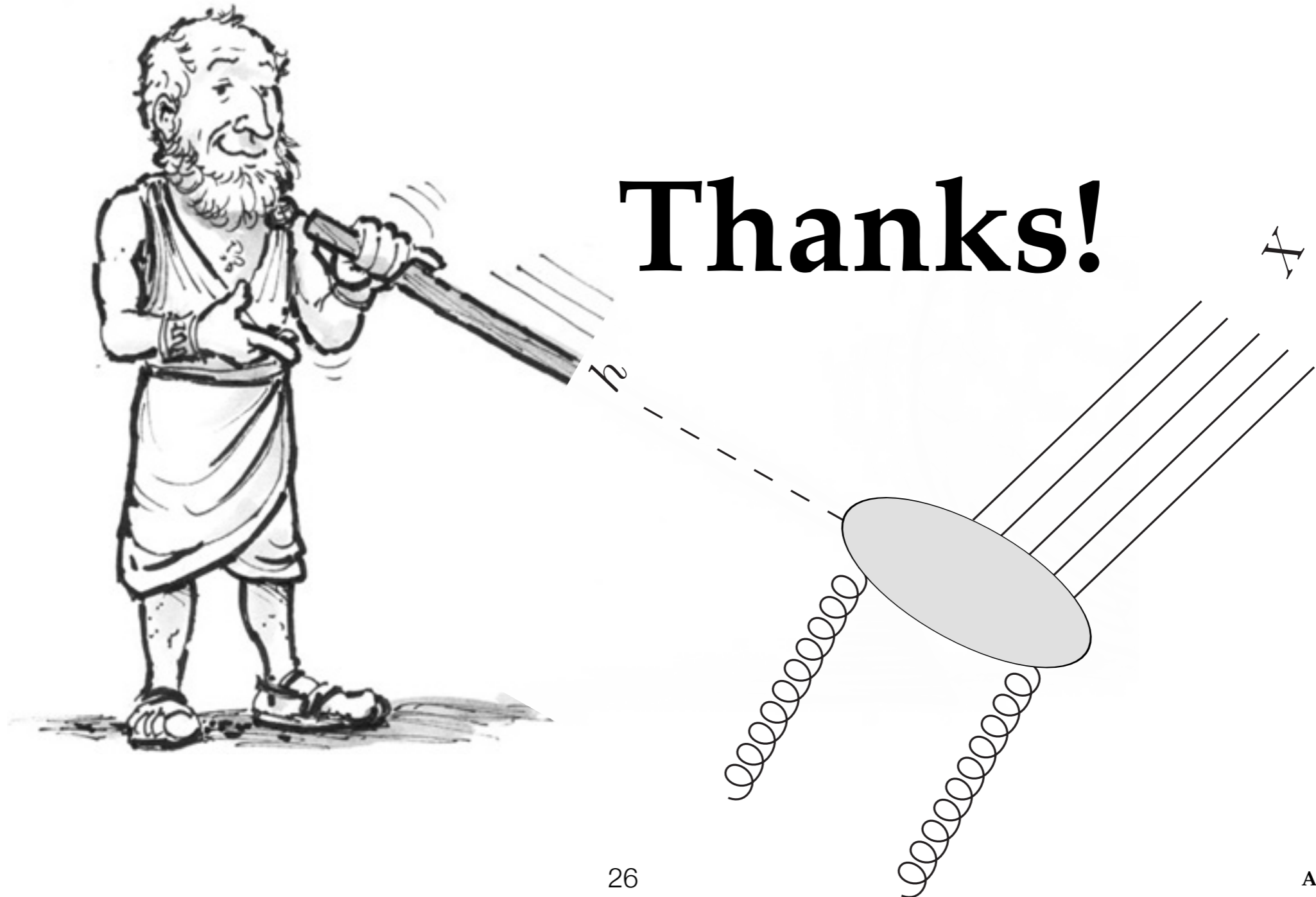
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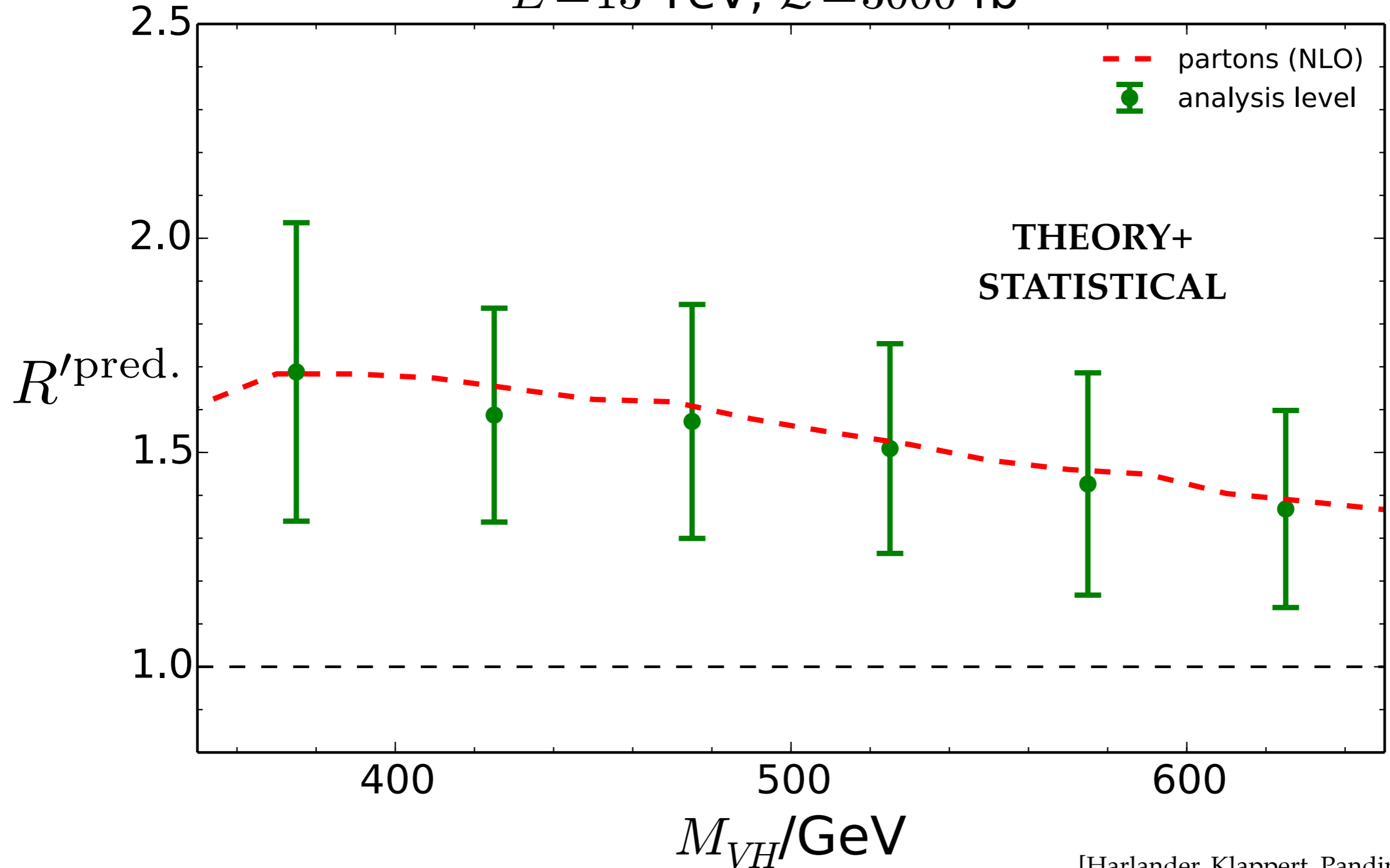


appendix

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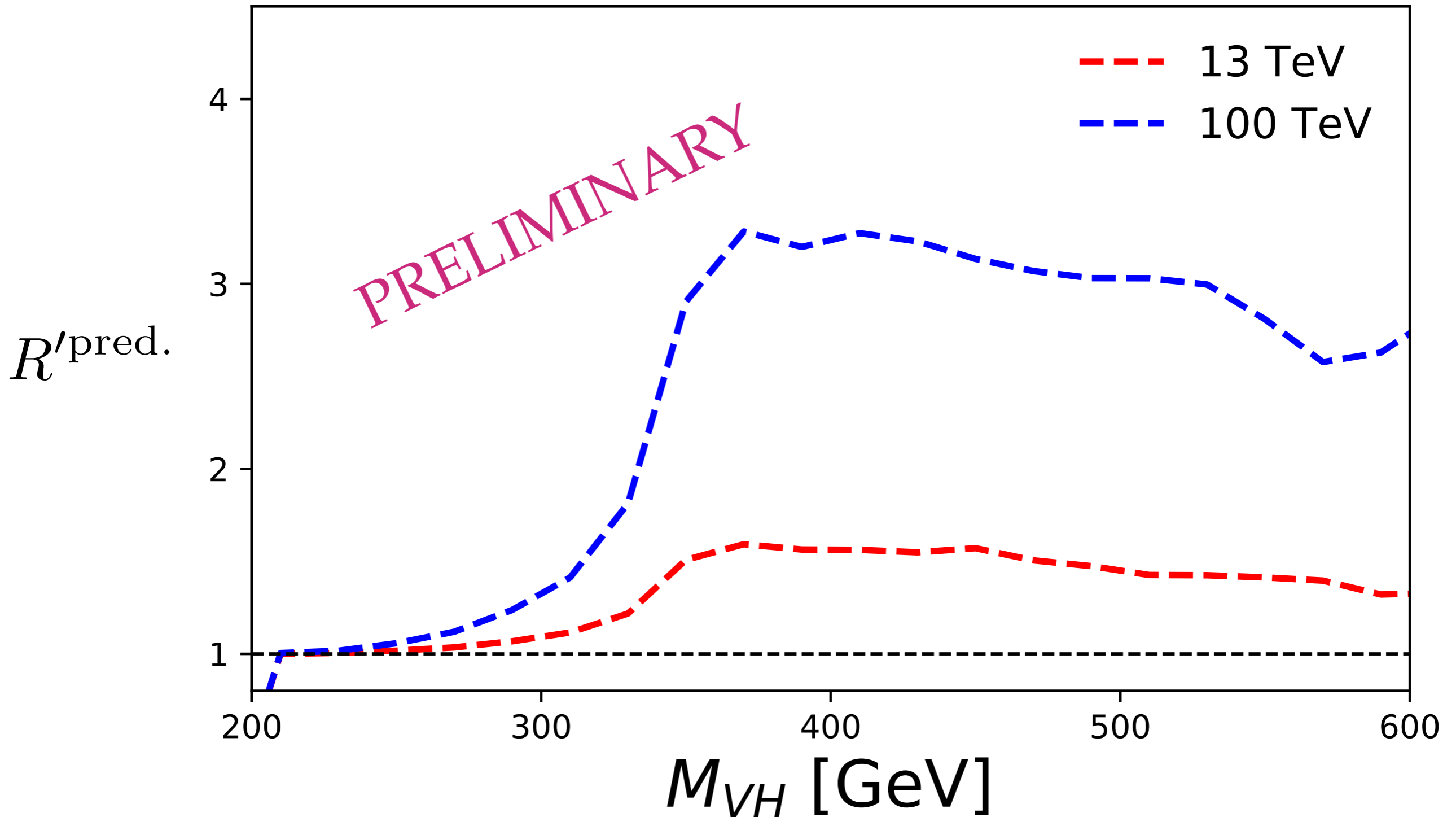
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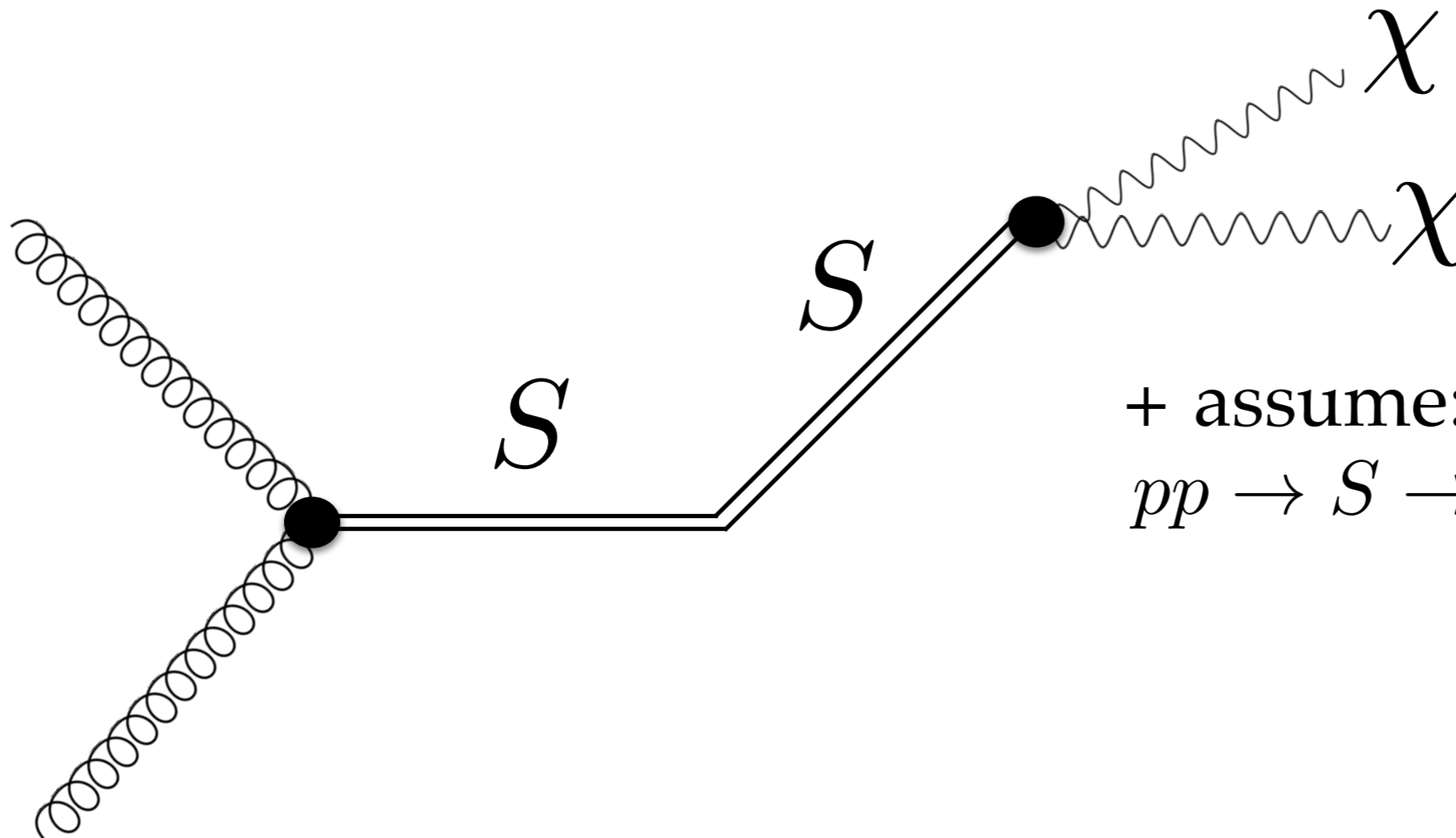
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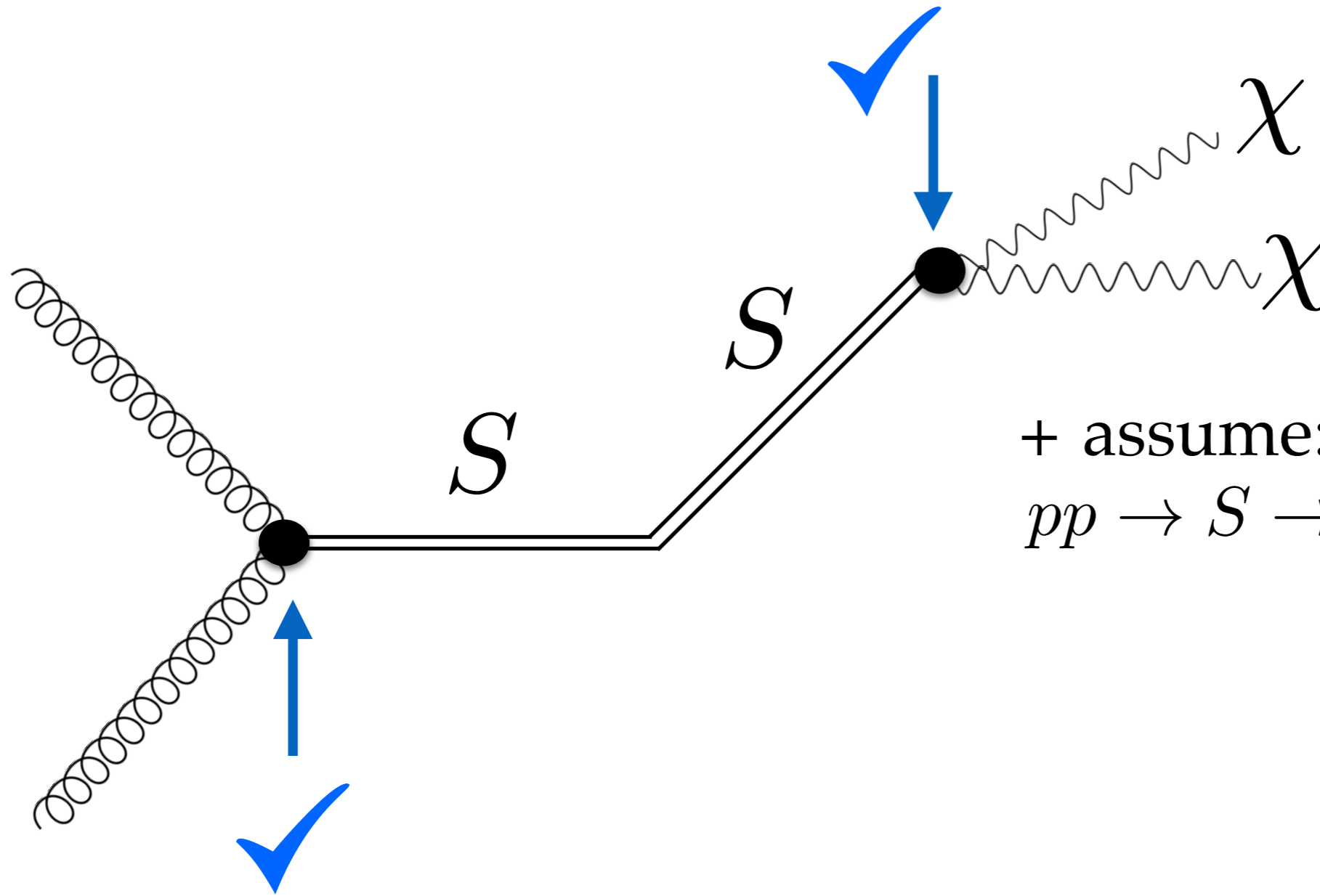


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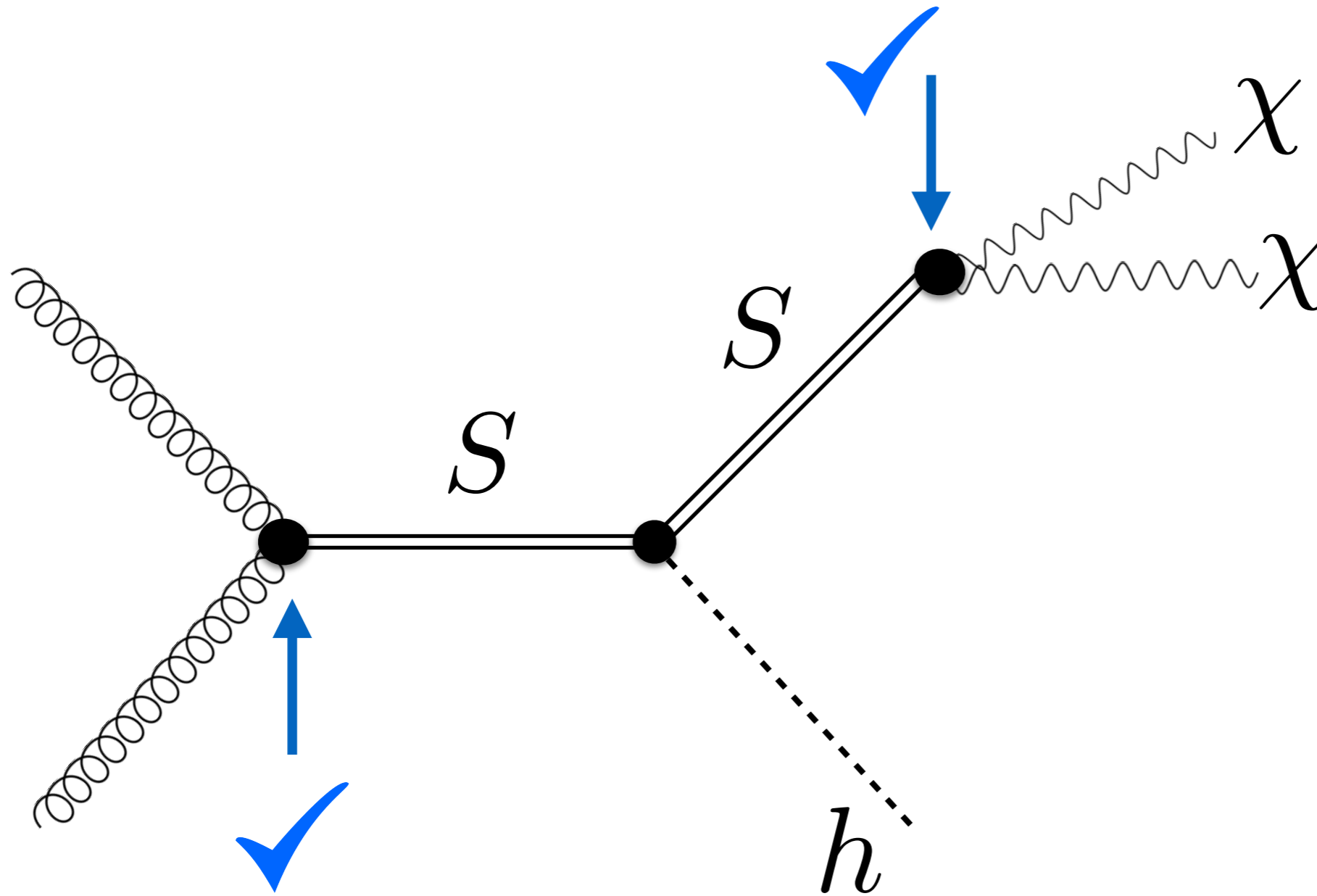
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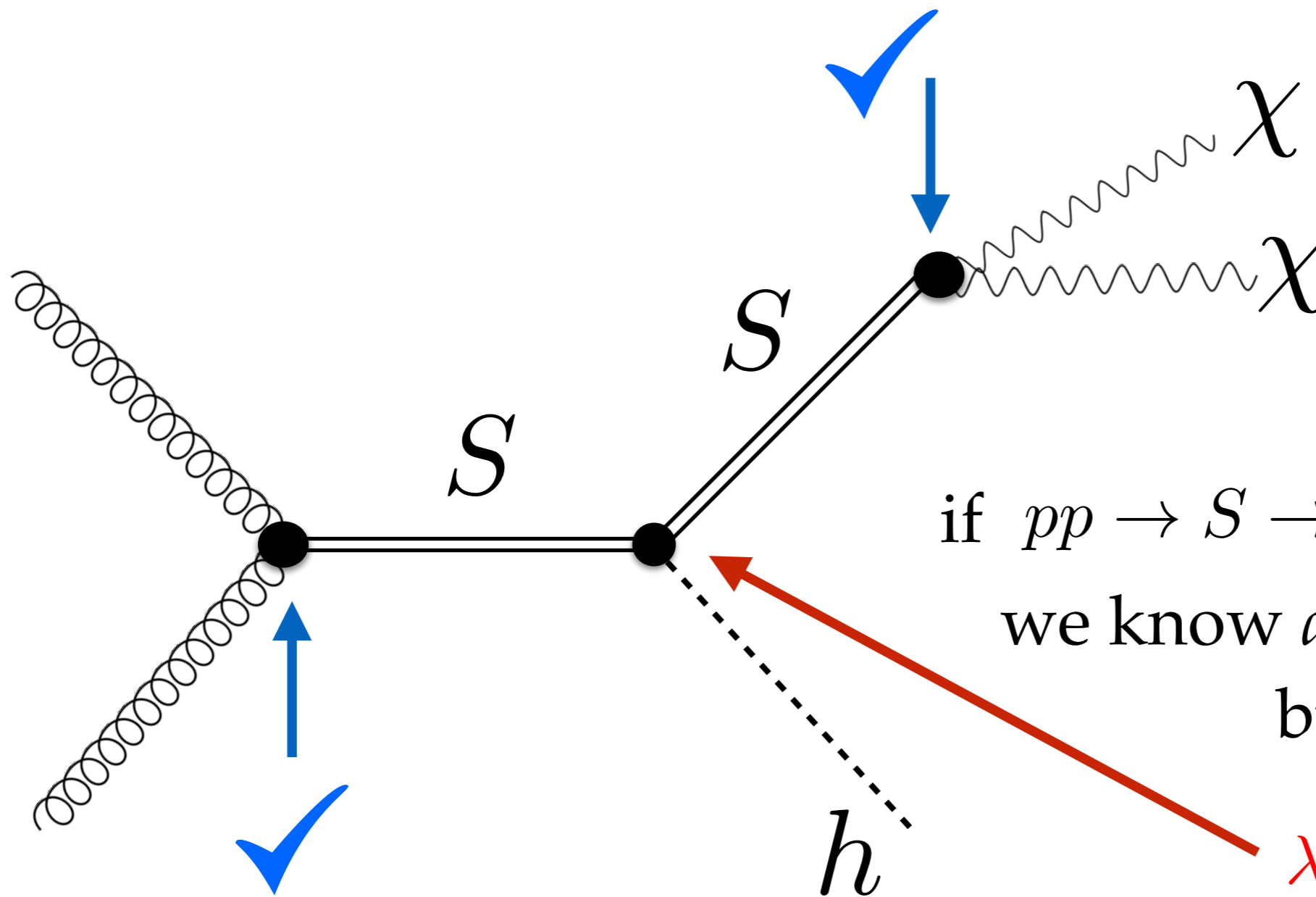
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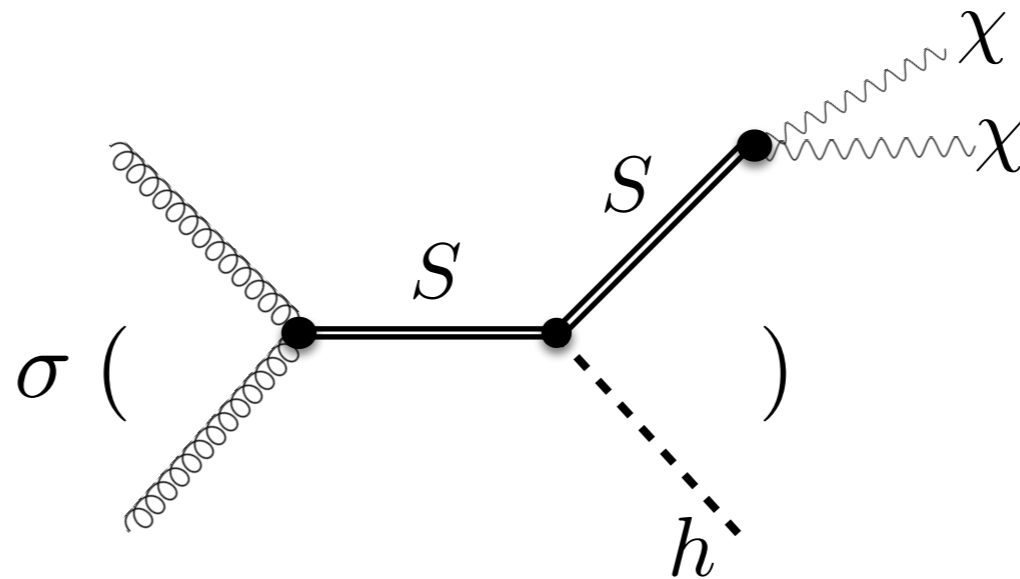


if $pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow \chi\chi$ is observed:
we know *all* the couplings
but one!

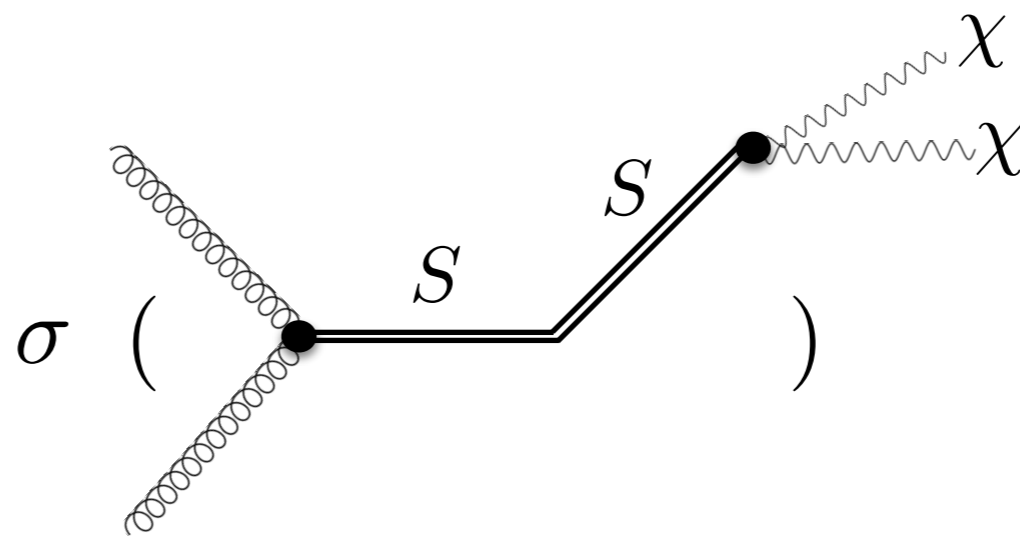
λ_{HS}
“portal coupling”

$$[\text{from: } \lambda_{HS} |H|^2 S^2 \rightarrow \lambda_{HS} (v + h)^2 S^2]$$

➔ for a given portal coupling and single production cross section: can predict associated production cross section!



$$\rho = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow hS \rightarrow h\chi\chi)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow \chi\chi)} \propto \lambda_{HS}^2$$



truth is stranger than fiction...

- we won't know the initial-state partons.
- and, in general, there are other diagrams contributing:

$$\Rightarrow \rho = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow hS \rightarrow h\chi\chi)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow \chi\chi)} = a \lambda_{HS}^2 + b \lambda_{HS} + c$$

a, b, c : obtained via Monte Carlo.

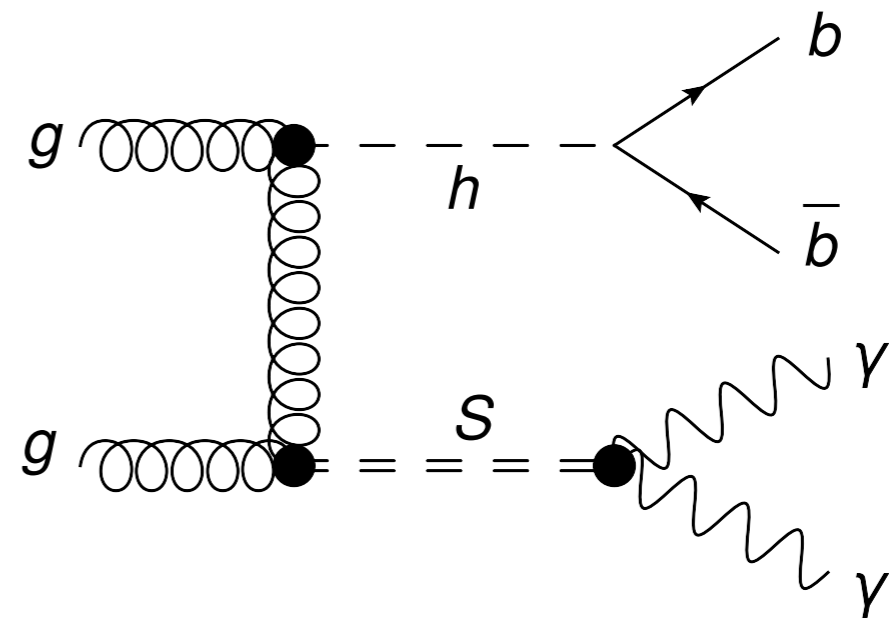
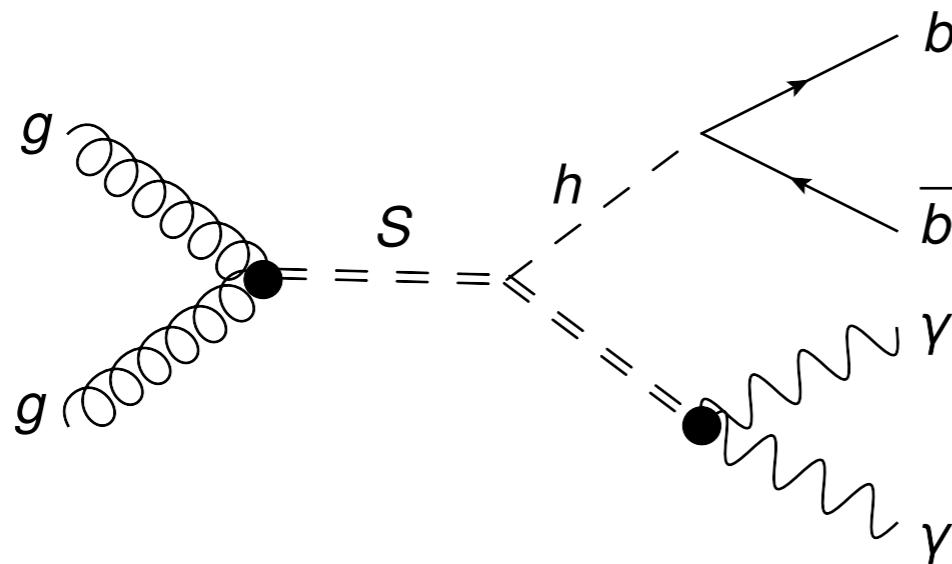
[for a given initial state, independently of the coupling values of S]

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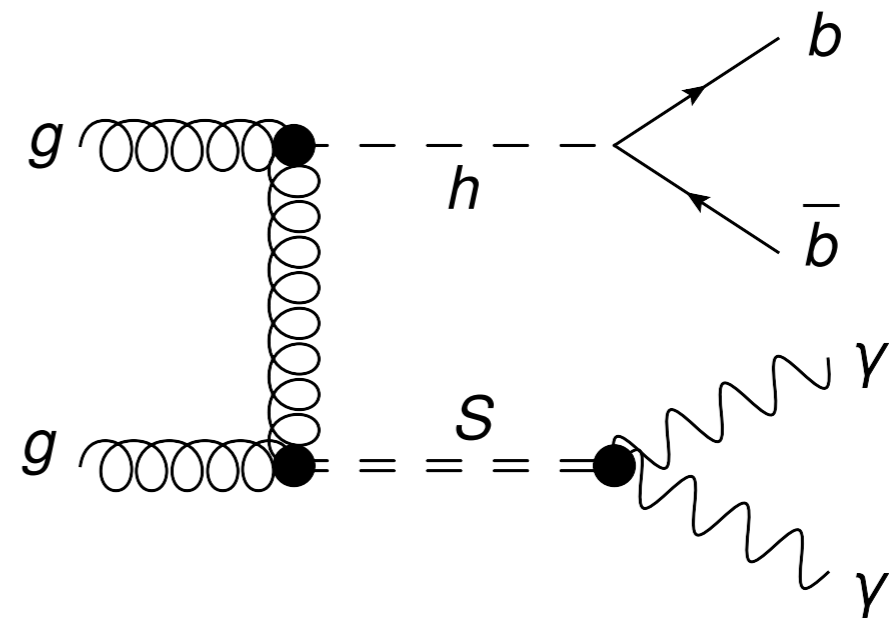
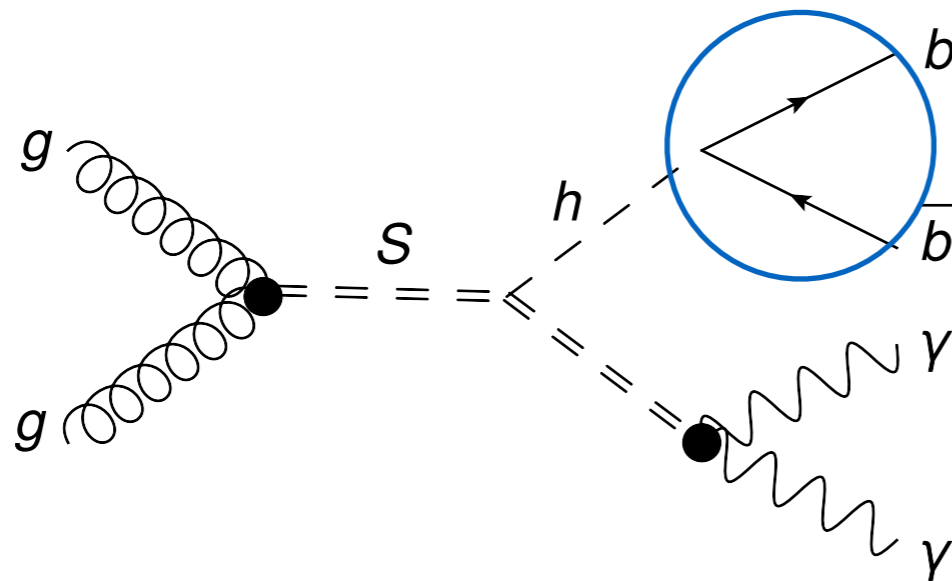
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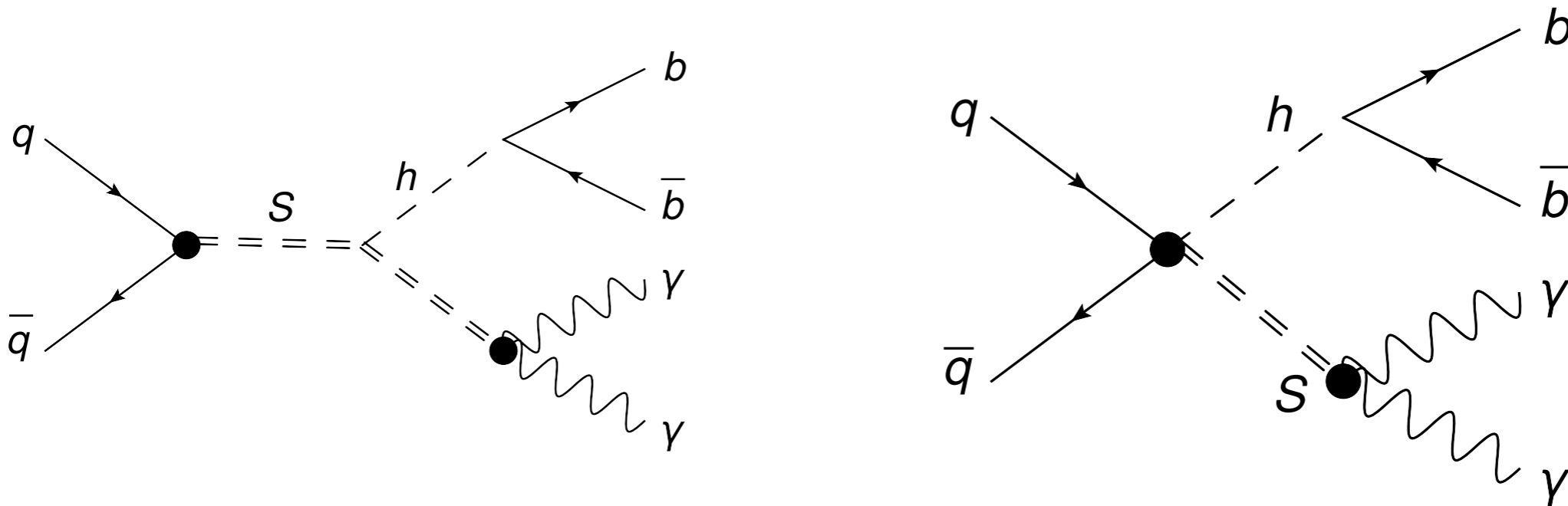


quark-induced production

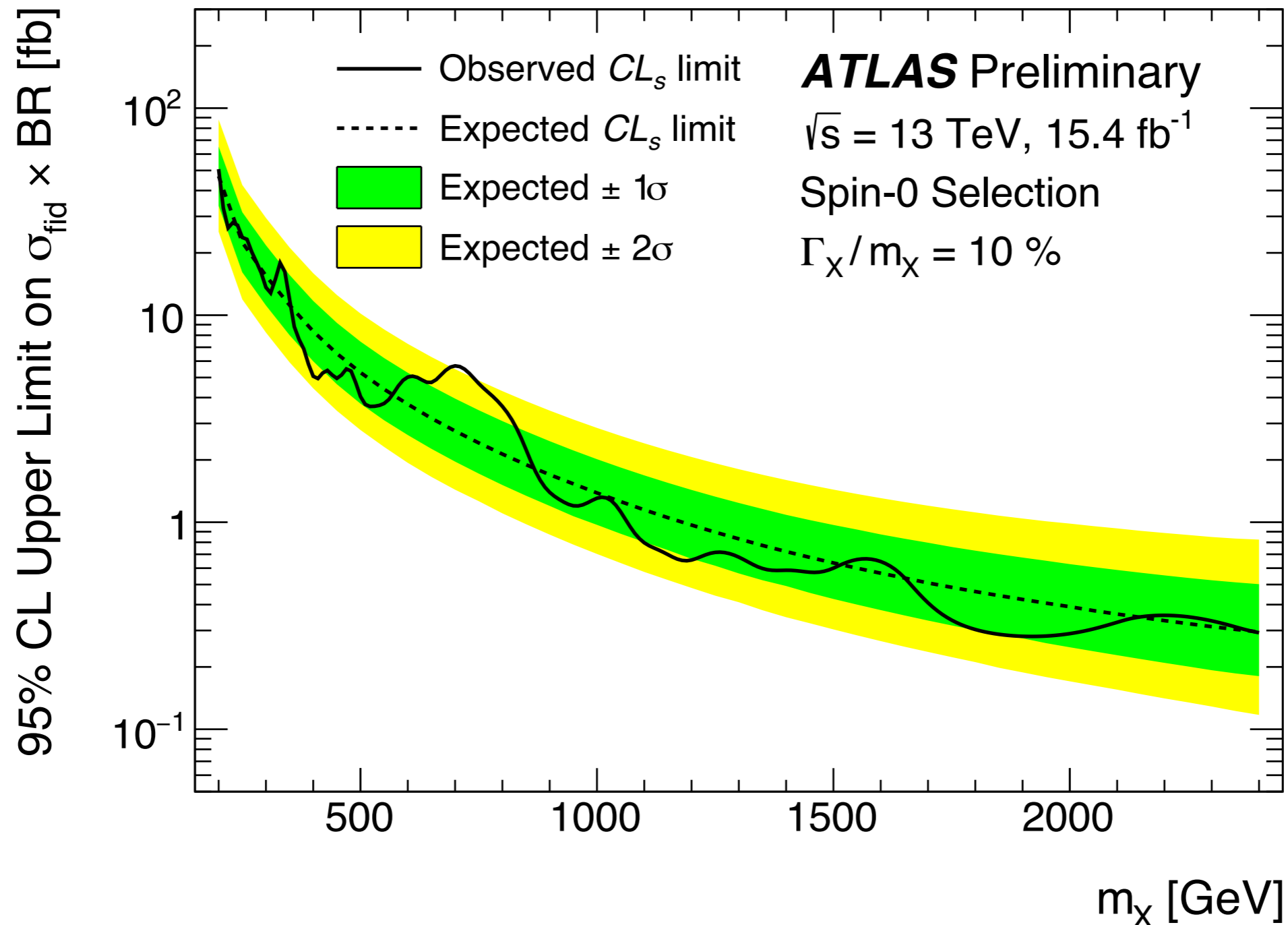
- for the quark-induced case, assuming operator:

$$\frac{y_q^S}{\Lambda} S \bar{Q}_L H Q_R \rightarrow \frac{y_q^S}{\Lambda} S \bar{Q}_L (h + v) Q_R$$

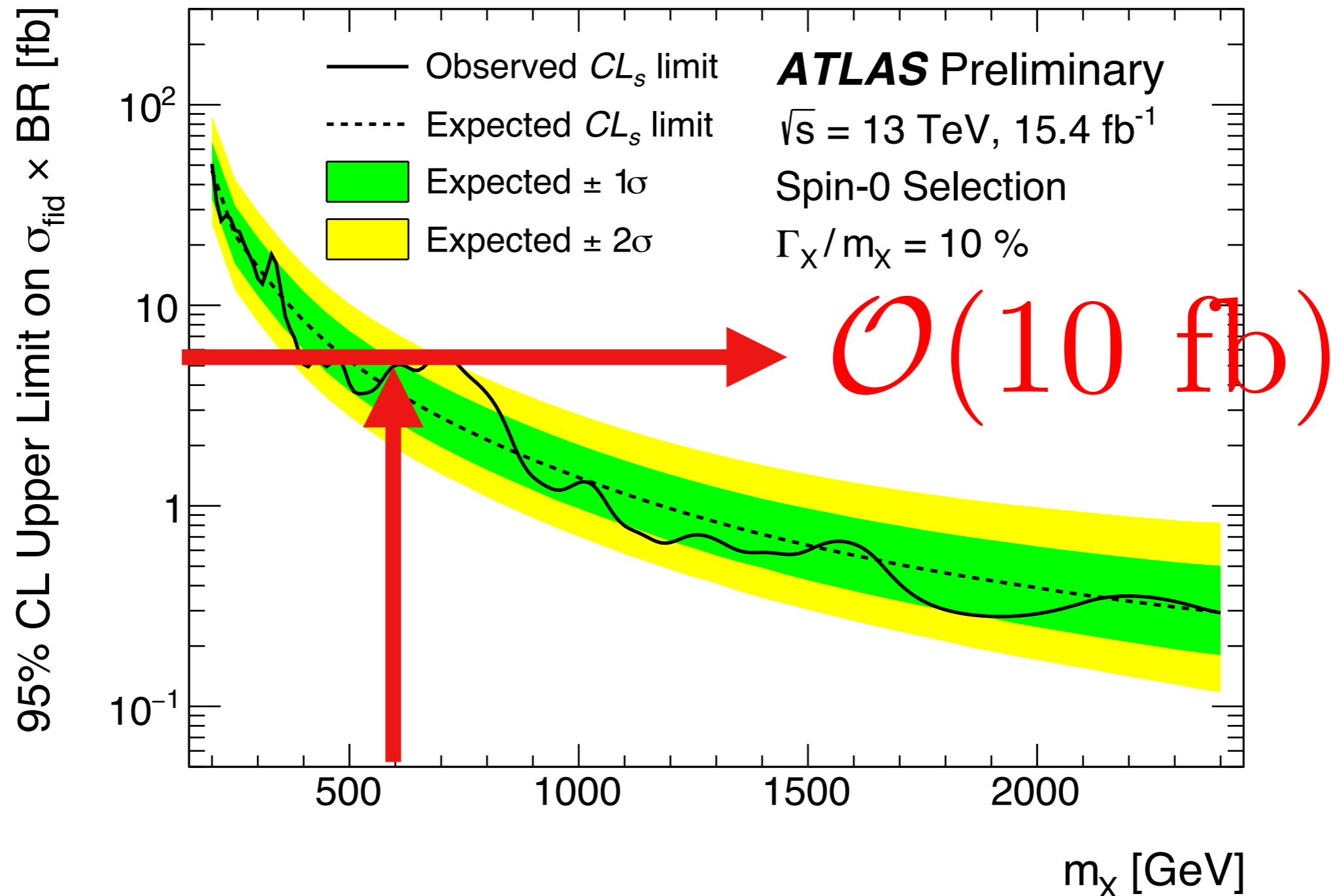
- additional 4-point *quark-quark-h-S* interaction:



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$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow hS \rightarrow h\gamma\gamma) \sim 10 \text{ fb} \times \rho$$

single production
allowed cross
section, from
ATLAS/CMS.

ratio, **fitted** from
Monte Carlo.

$$\rho \sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$$

(depending on initial-
state partons)

kinematic features of $h(b\bar{b})S(\gamma\gamma)$

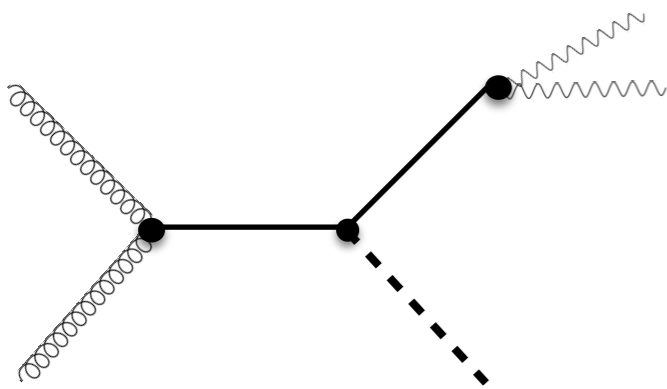
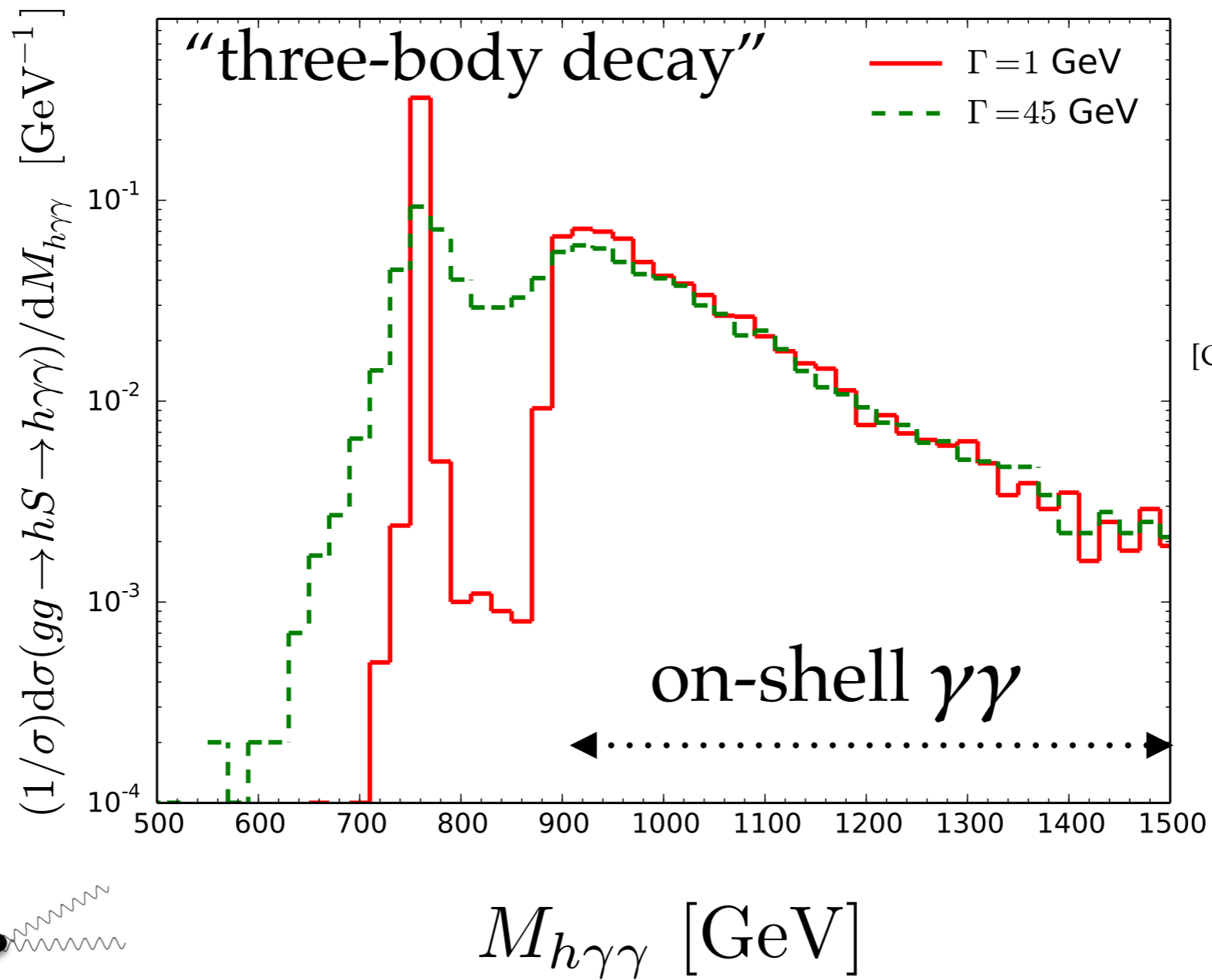
- S and Higgs boson at 13 TeV would be produced near threshold,
- photons from S would be energetic:

$$p_{T,peak} \sim M/2$$

- photons close to back-to-back, b -jets close to back-to-back ($\Delta\mathbf{R} \sim \pi$).

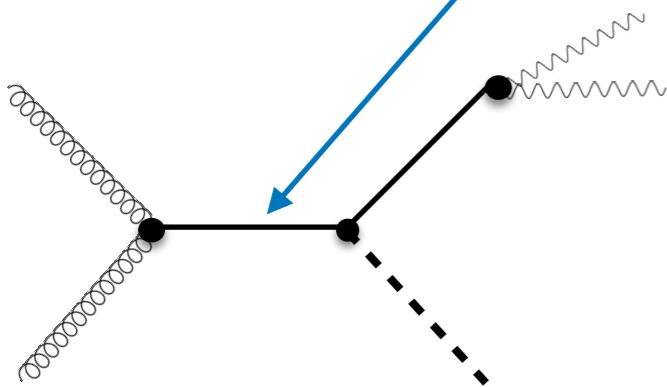
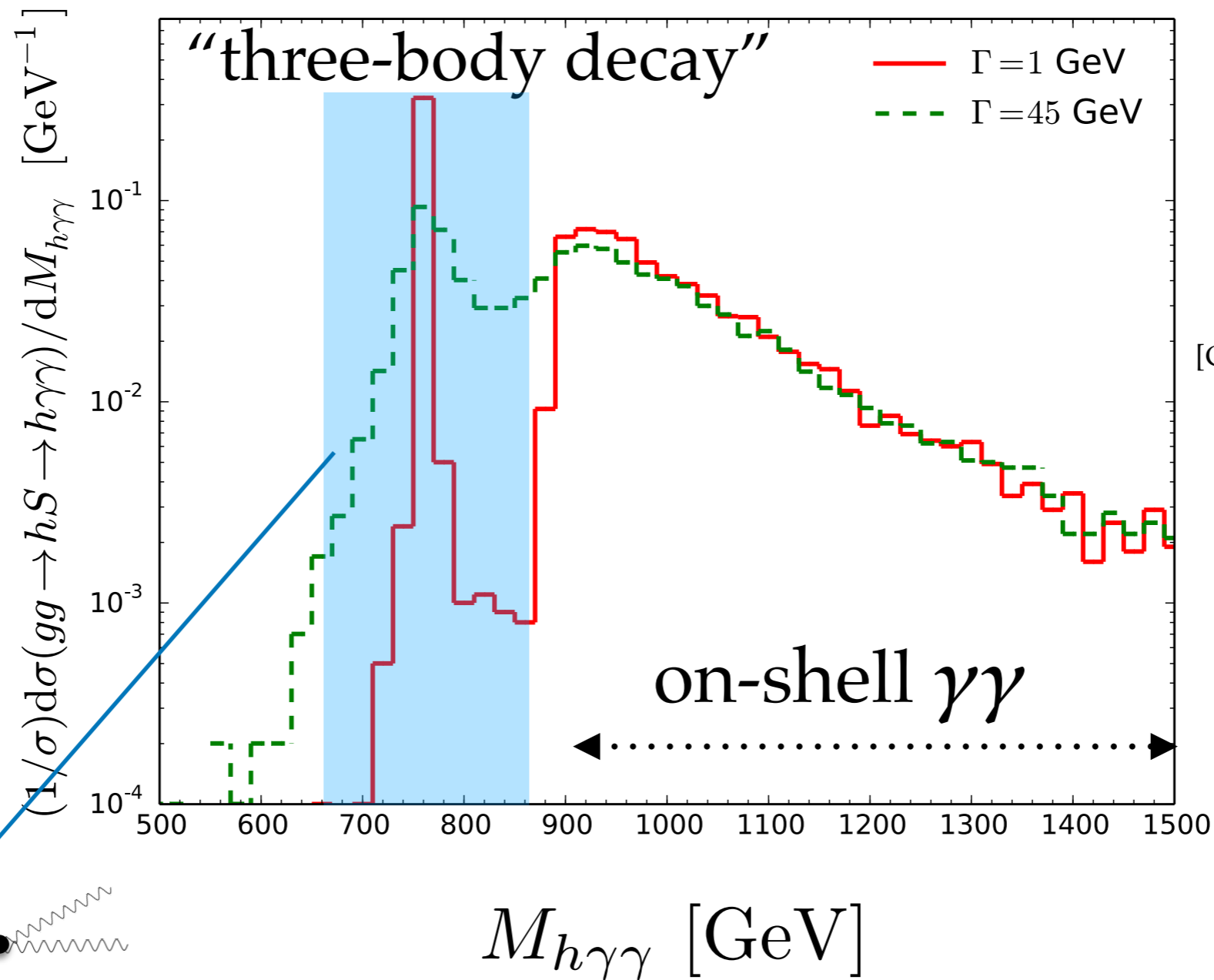
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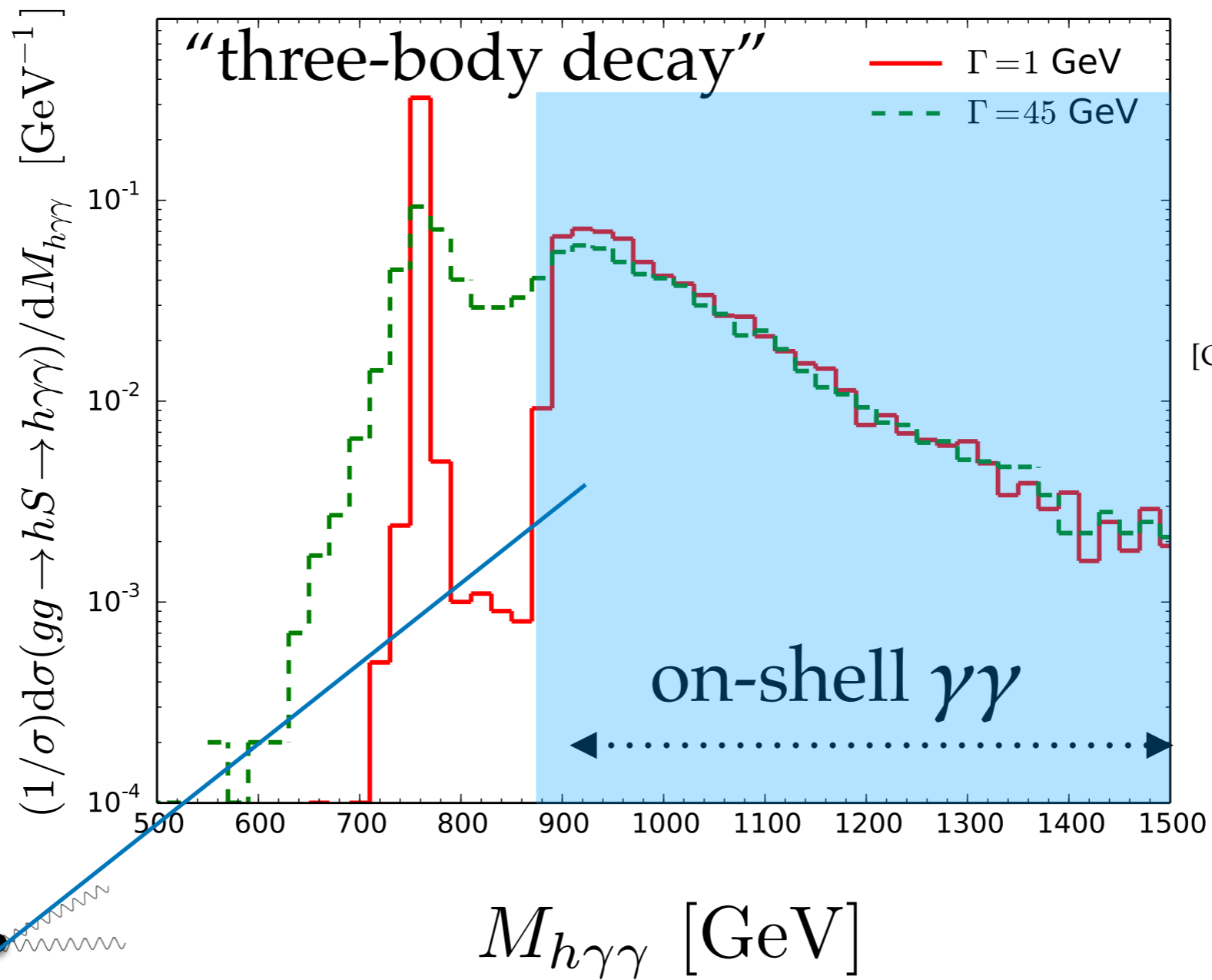
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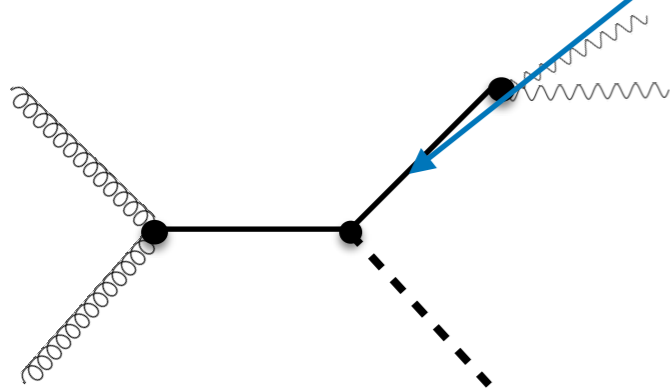


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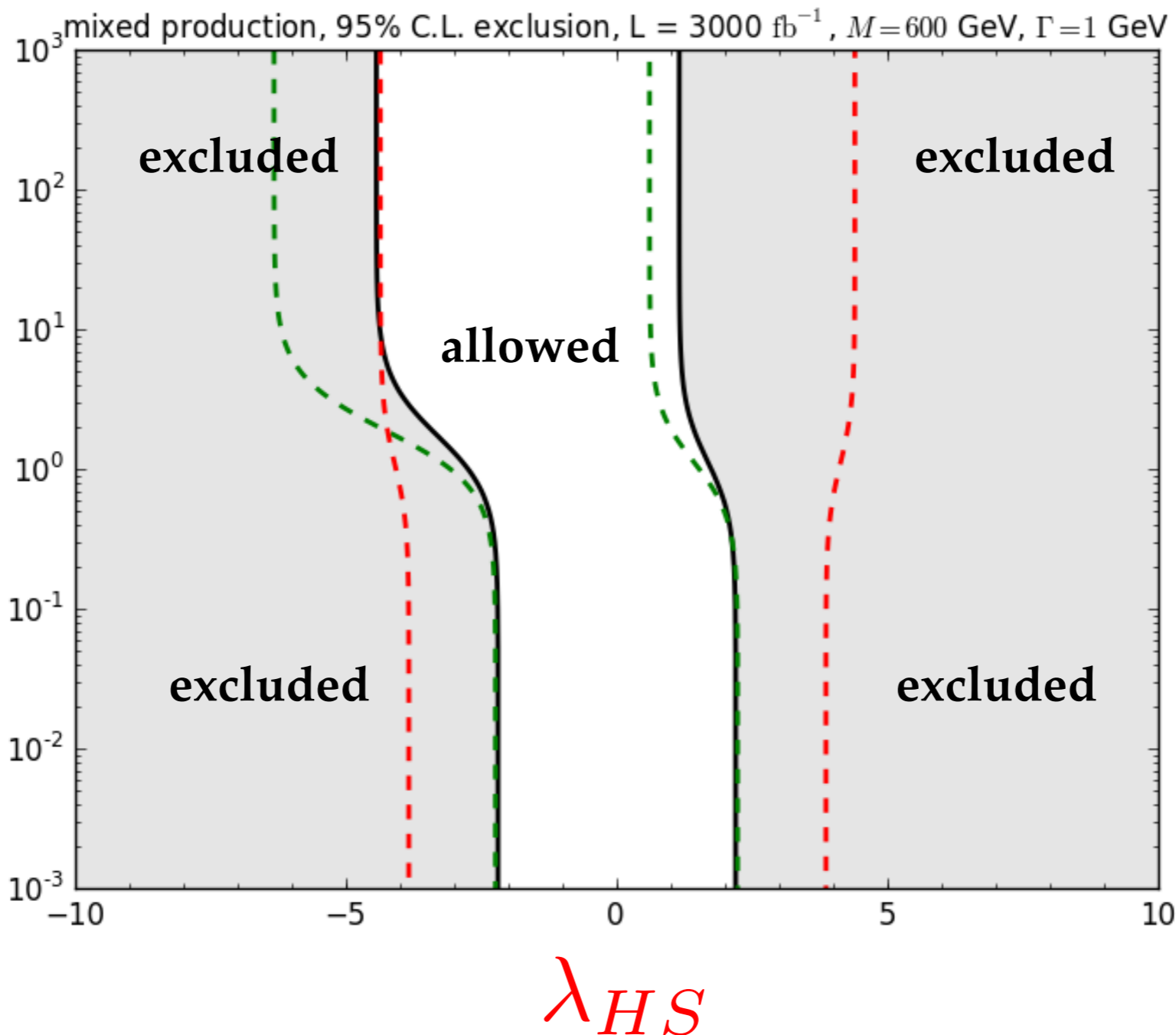


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- calculate 95% C.L. exclusion for resonance produced in mixture of gluon fusion and b -quark fusion:

[given assumption that “underlying” production is purely gluon fusion and $\lambda_{HS}=1$]



[more b -quark]



y_b^S / c_G^S

[more gluon]



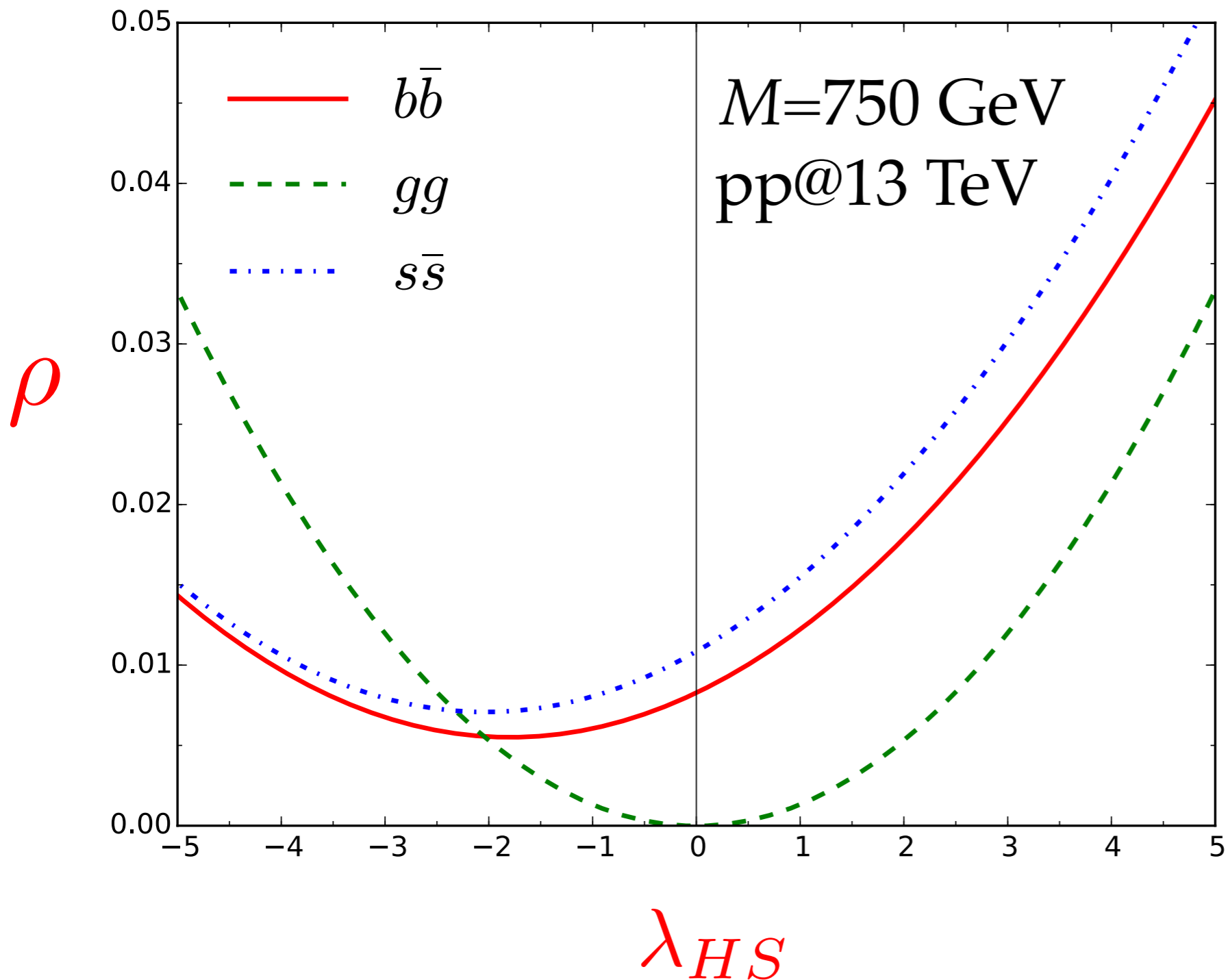
$M = 600 \text{ GeV}$,
 $\Gamma = 1 \text{ GeV}$

green: “on-shell
 $\gamma\gamma$ ”

red: “three-body
decay”

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e.g., if (13 TeV):

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow S \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = 10 \text{ fb}$$

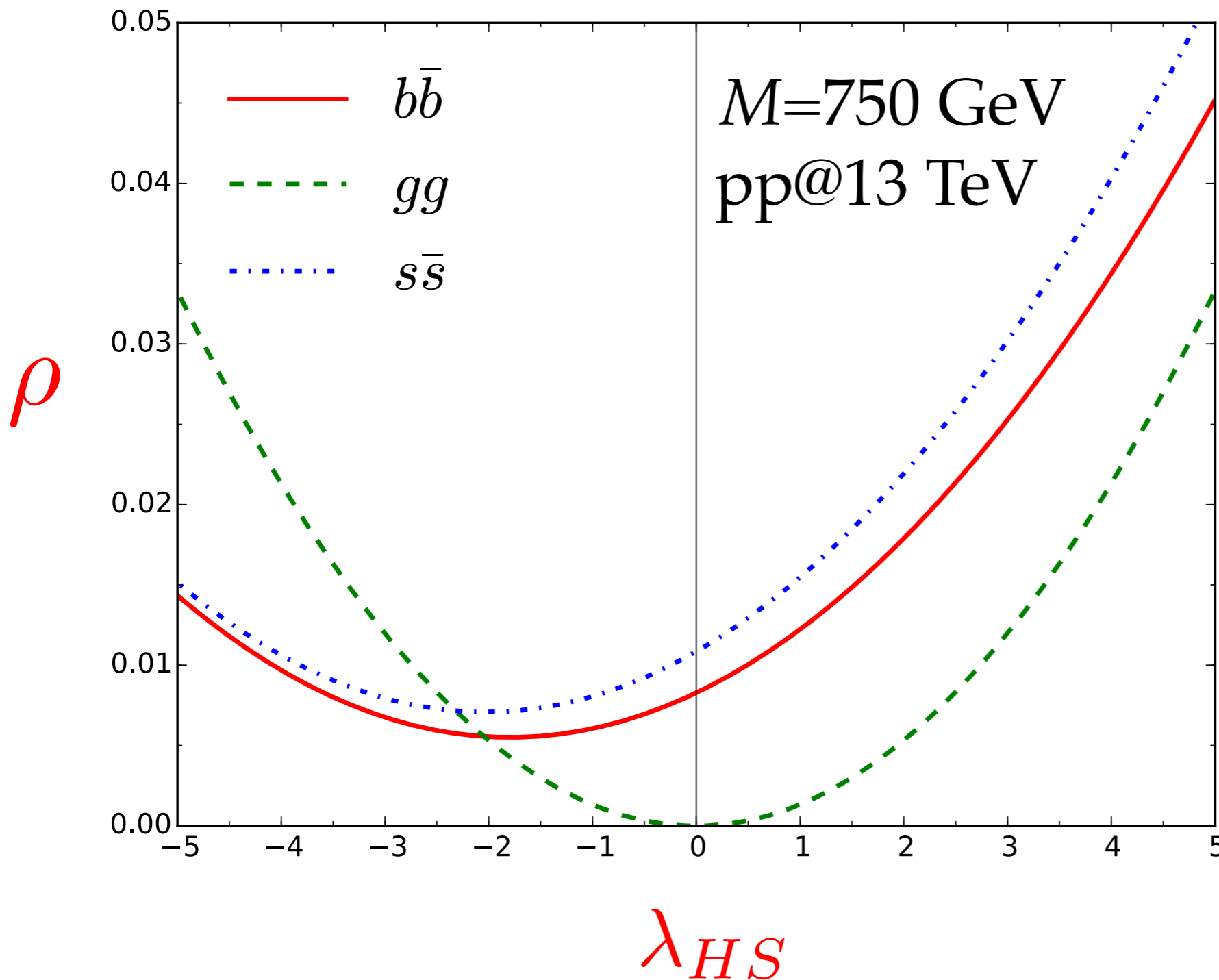
$$\lambda_{HS} = 1$$

and purely gluon-induced:

$$\sigma(gg \rightarrow hS \rightarrow h\gamma\gamma) = \rho \times 10 \text{ fb} \sim 10^{-2} \text{ fb}$$

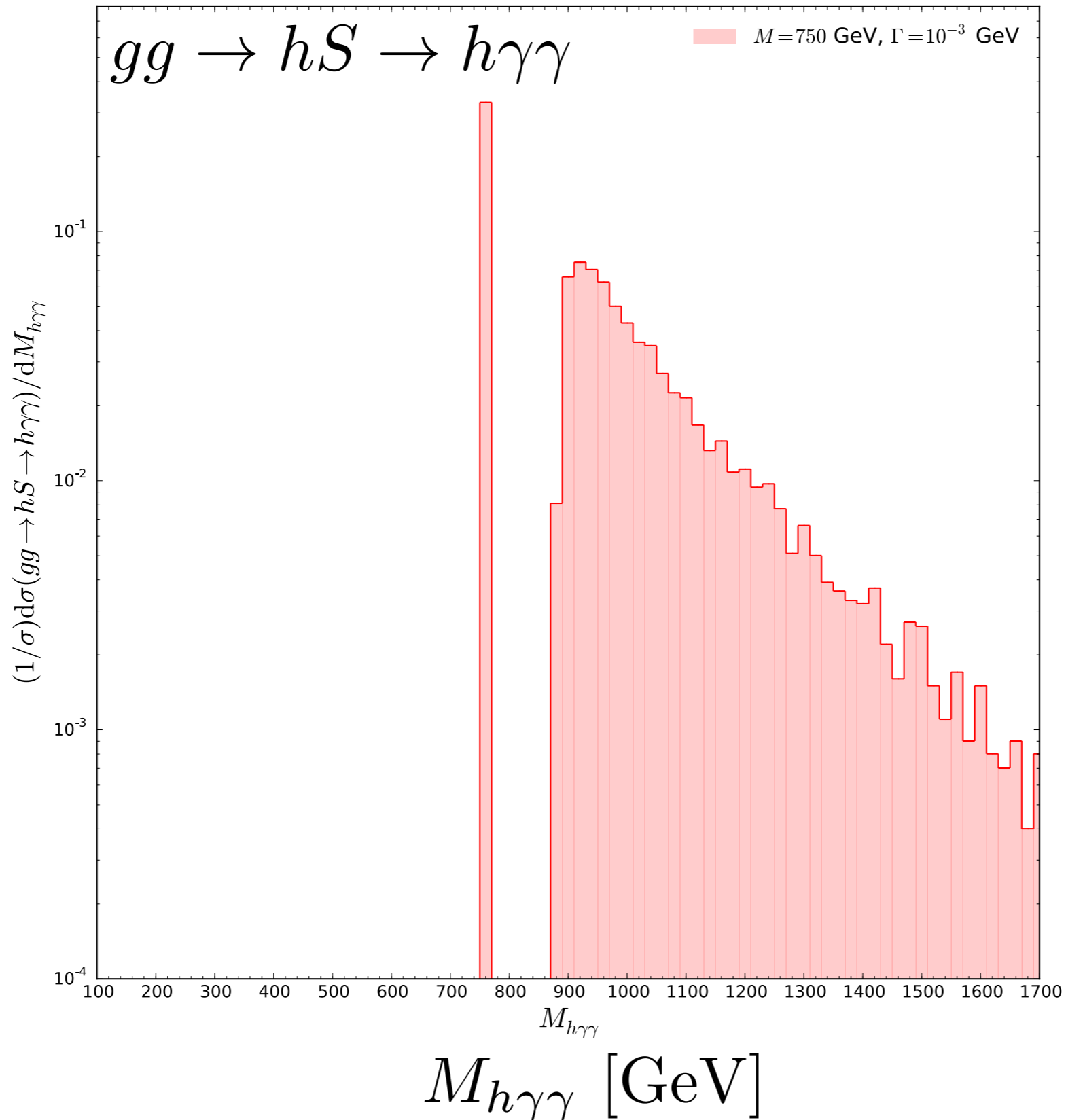
or purely b-quark induced:

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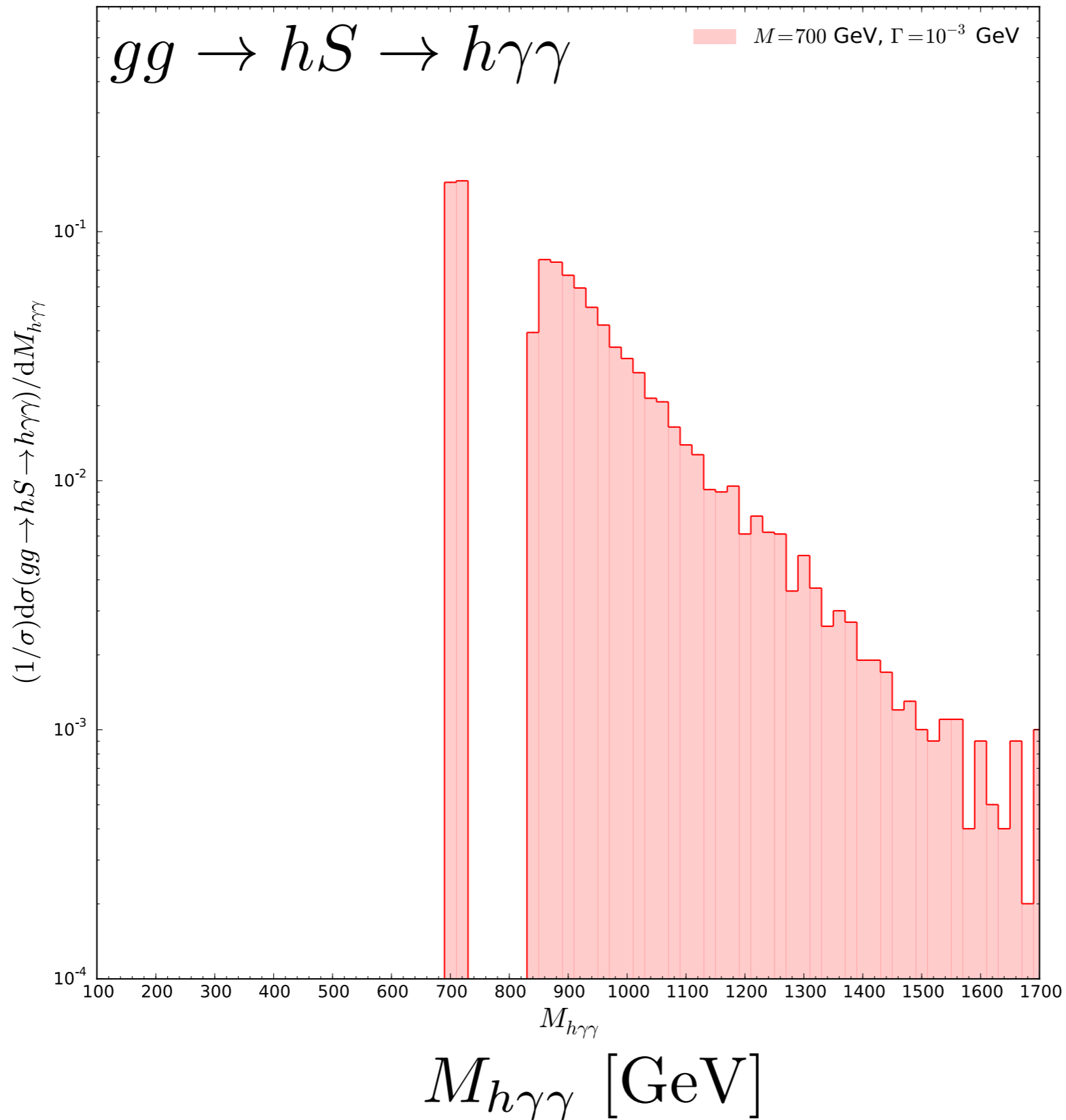
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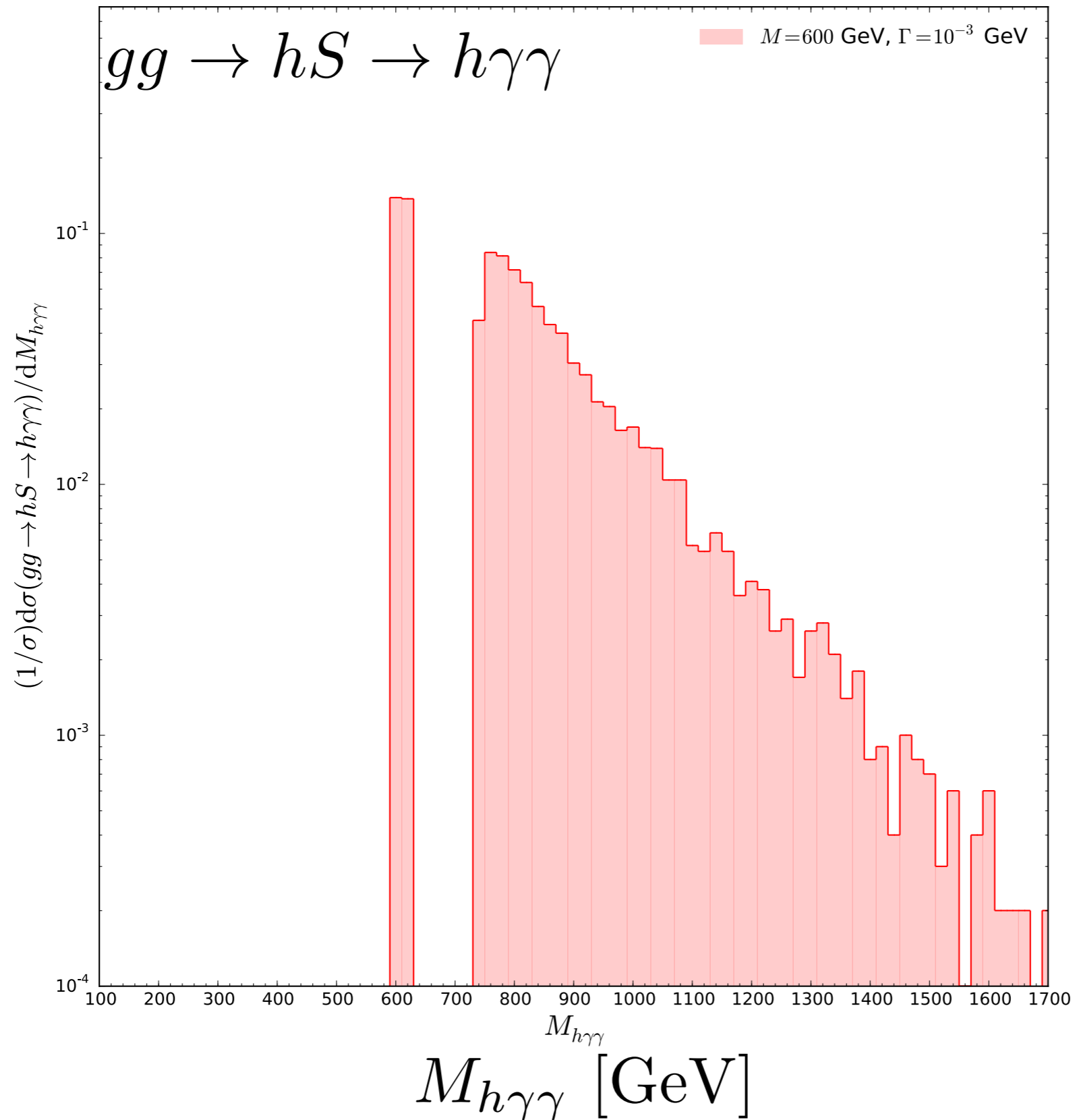
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kinematic features



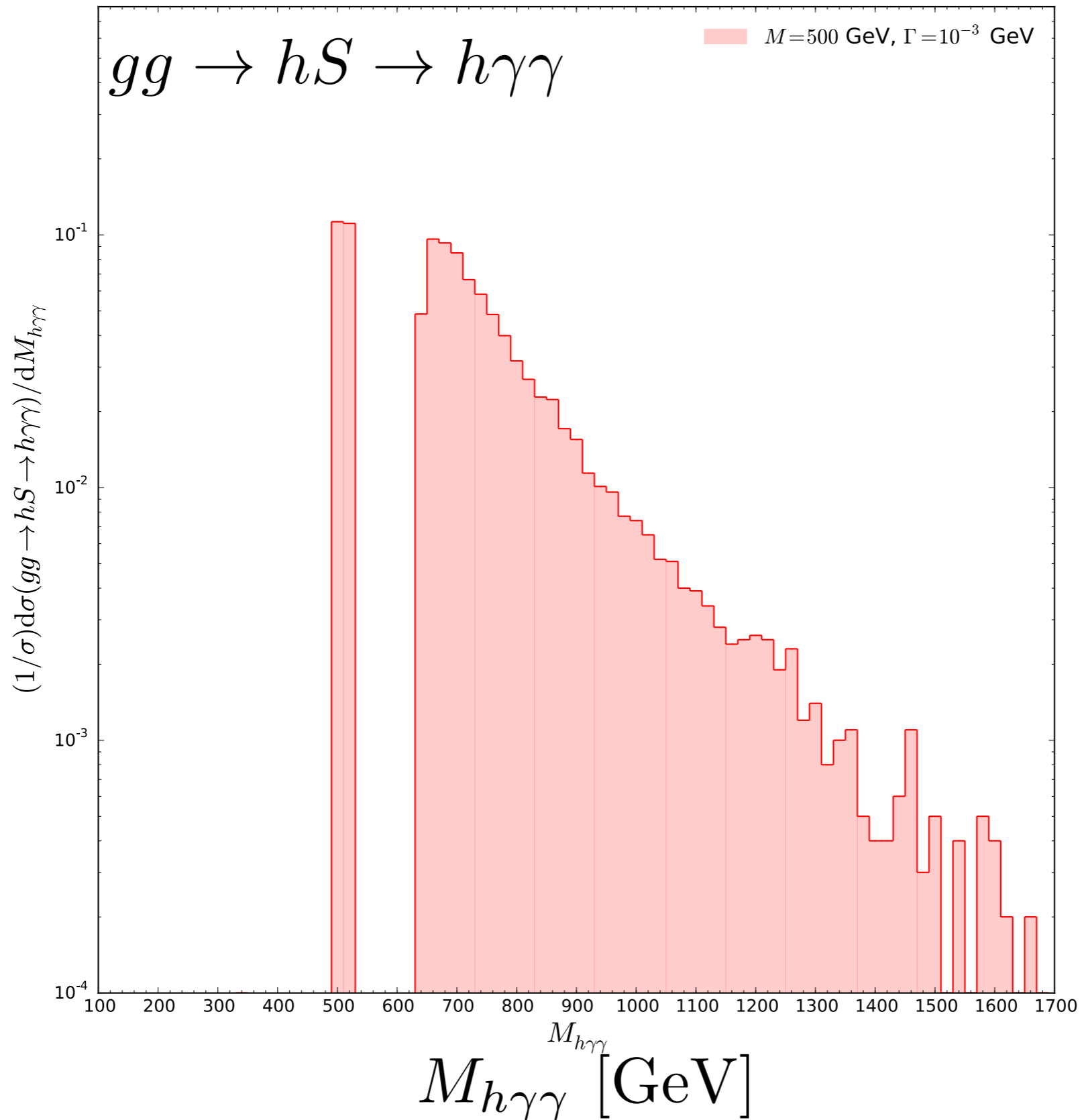
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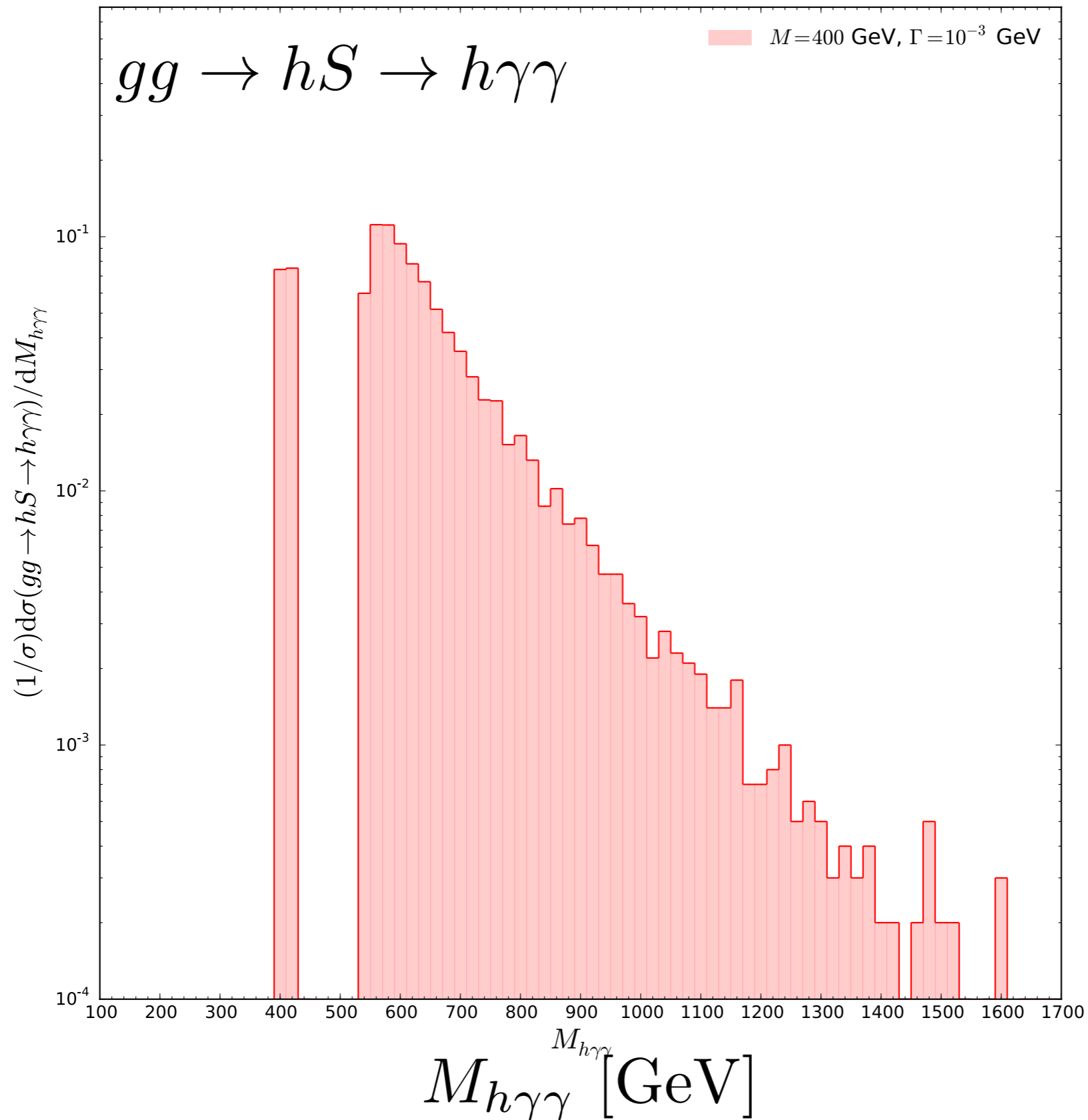
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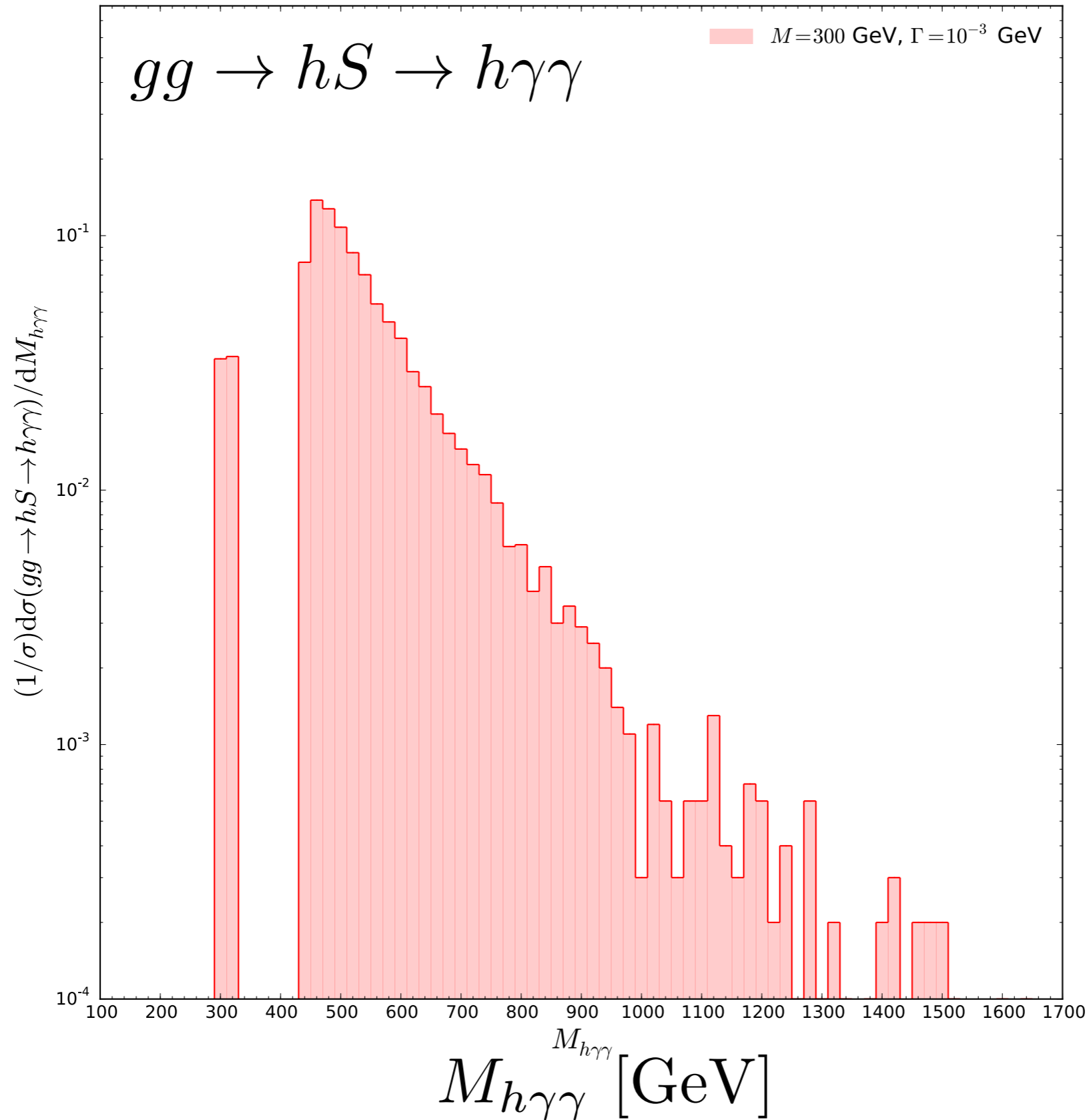
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kinematic features



$M=400 \text{ GeV}$
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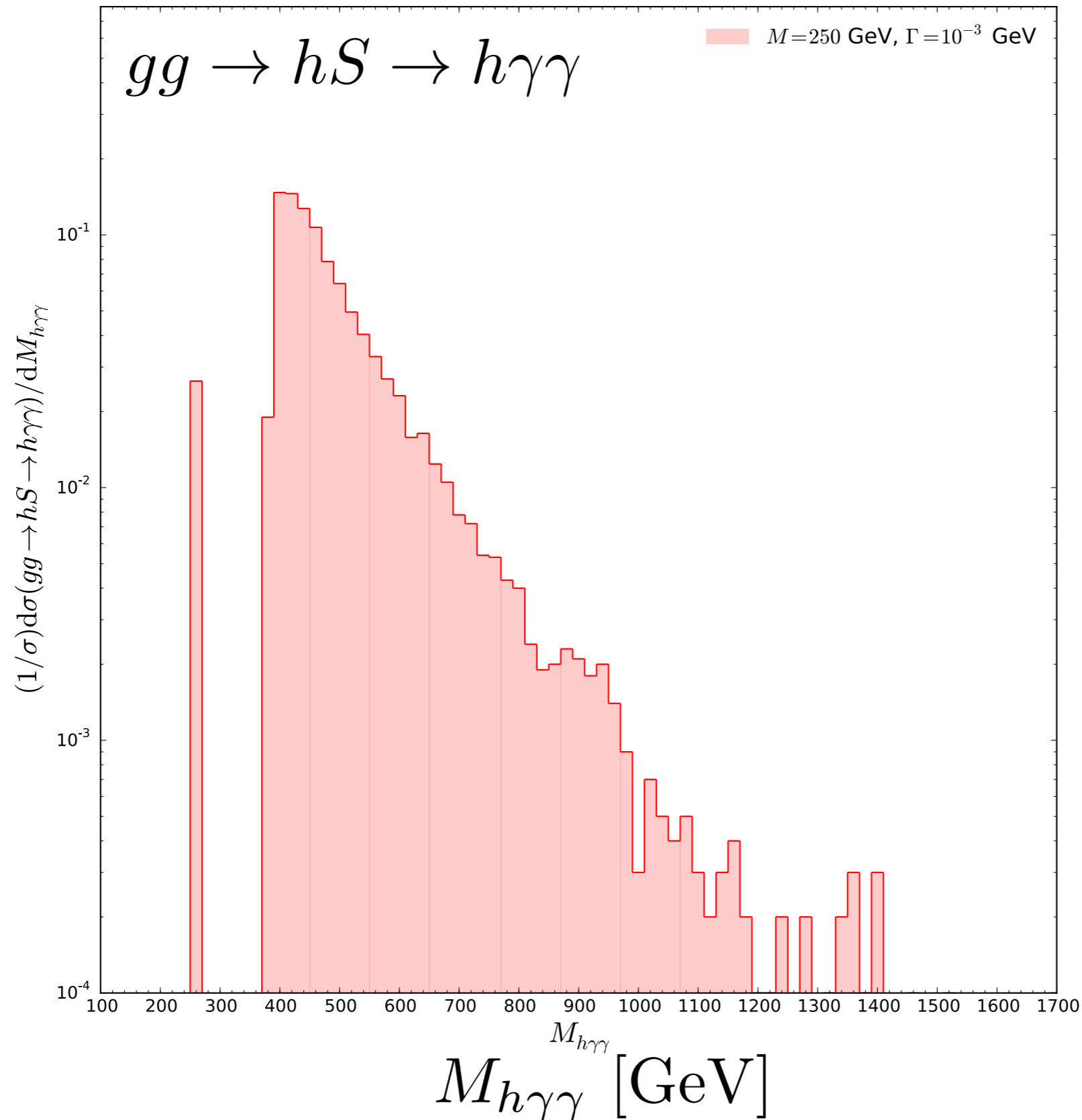
kinematic features



$M=300 \text{ GeV}$

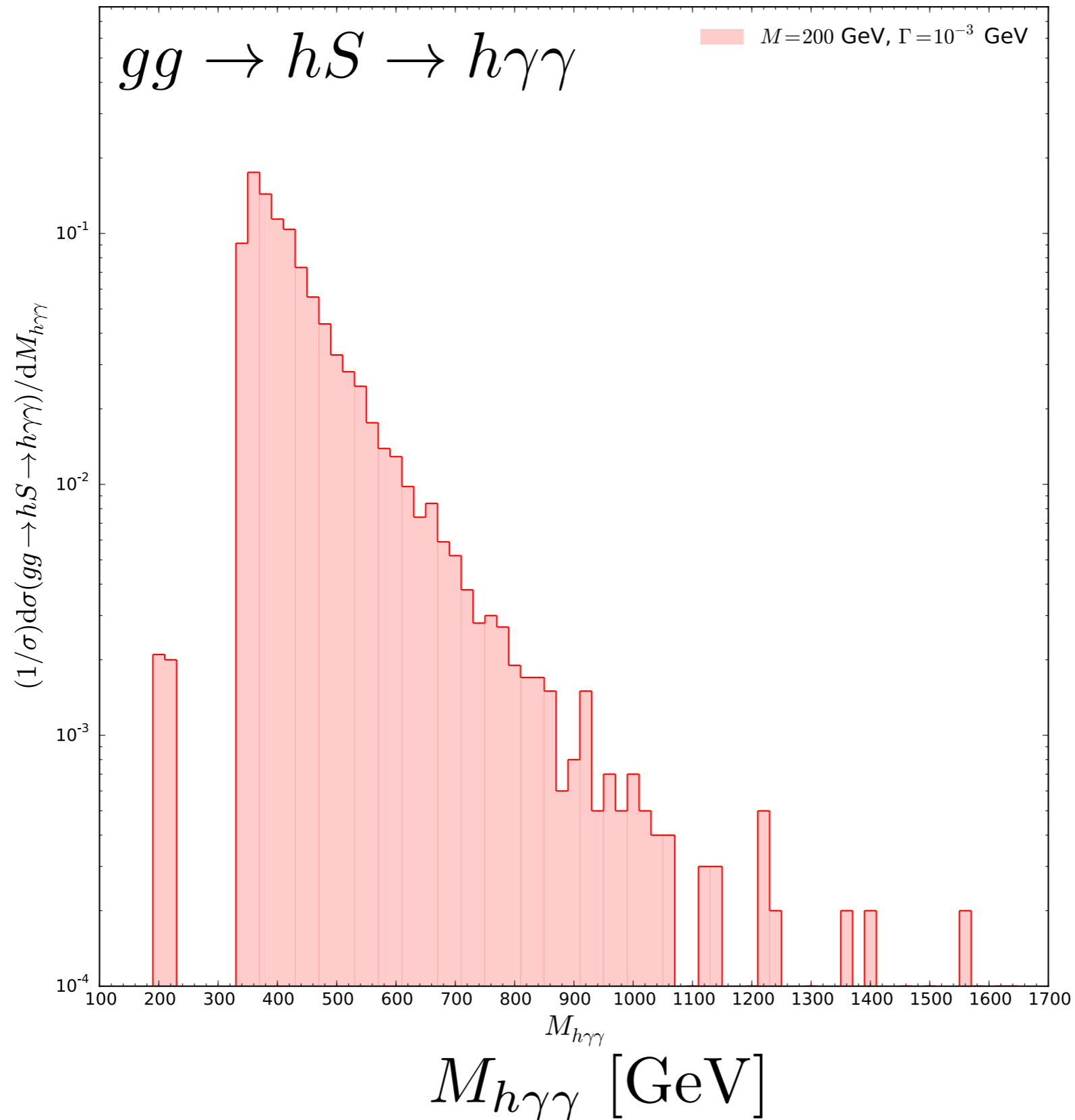
$\Gamma = 10^{-3} \text{ GeV}$

kinematic features



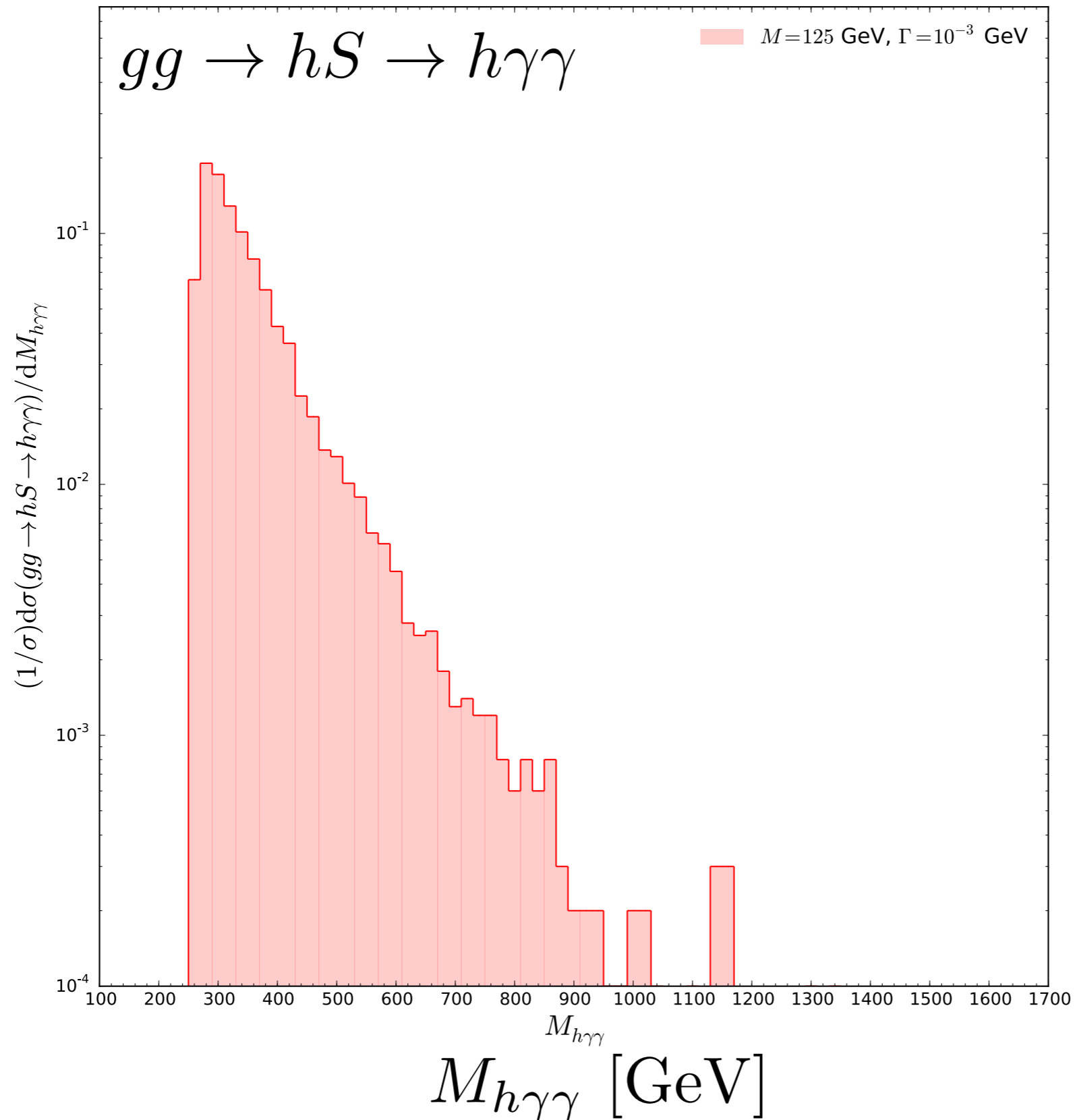
$M=250 \text{ GeV}$
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kinematic features



$M=200 \text{ GeV}$
 $\Gamma = 10^{-3} \text{ GeV}$

kinematic features



$M=125 \text{ GeV}$

$\Gamma = 10^{-3} \text{ GeV}$