

# Anomalous couplings in the top quark sector

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# Motivation

**Goal:** providing a framework to scrutinise couplings involving top quarks

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}, pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + X, X = H, \gamma, Z, W^{\pm}$$

including off-shell effects and anomalous couplings within

Standard Model Effective Field Theory (**SMEFT**)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{C_i^{(6)}}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{\text{dim6}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^3}\right)$$

$\Lambda$ : New physics scale

# SMEFT

applicable if electroweak scale and new physics scale are well separated

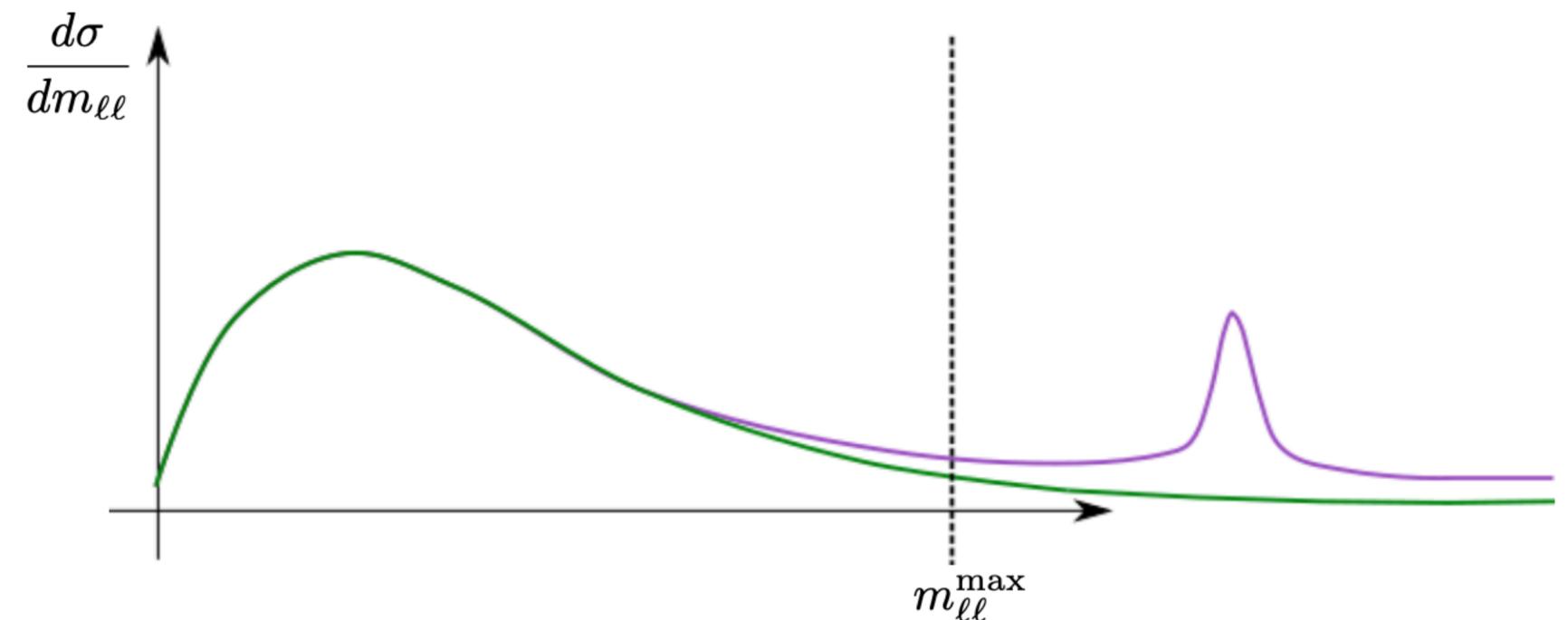
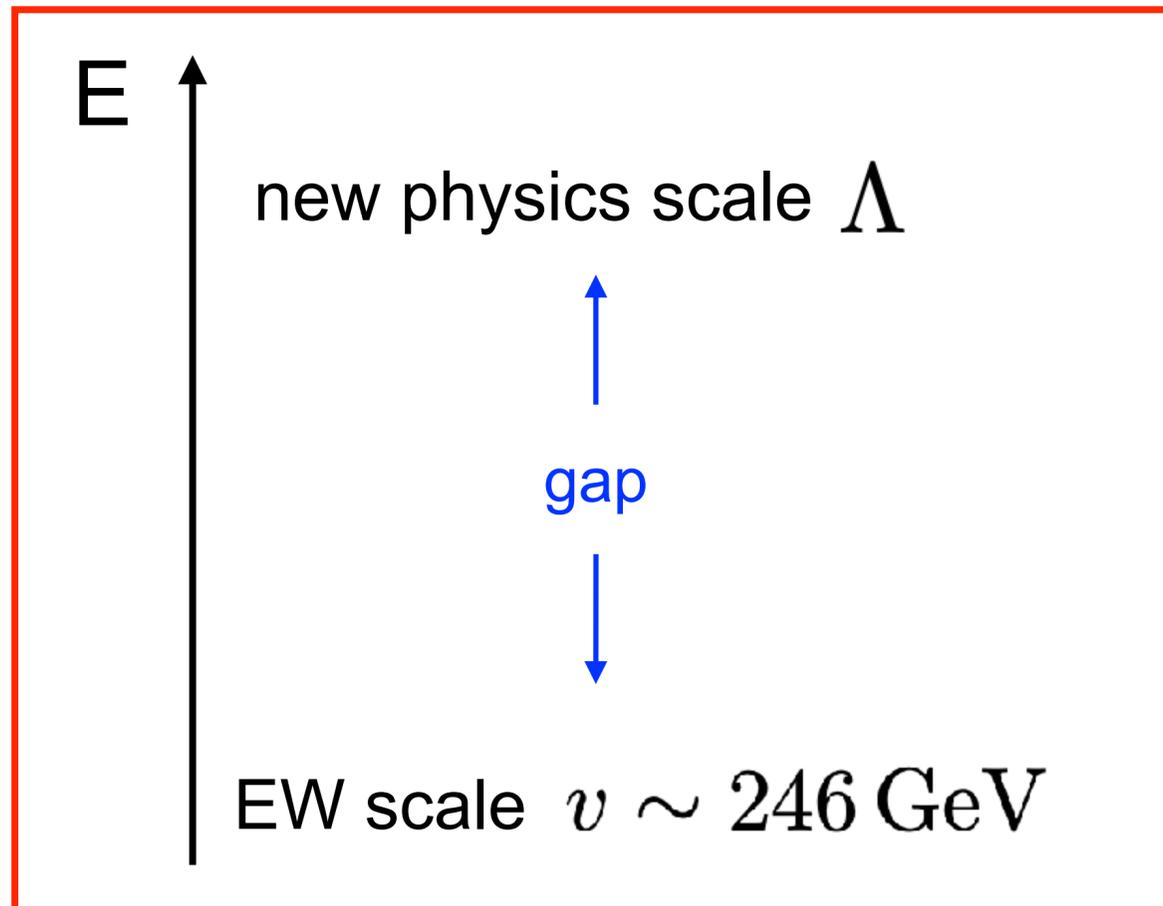


figure: Maeve Madigan, Top 2022

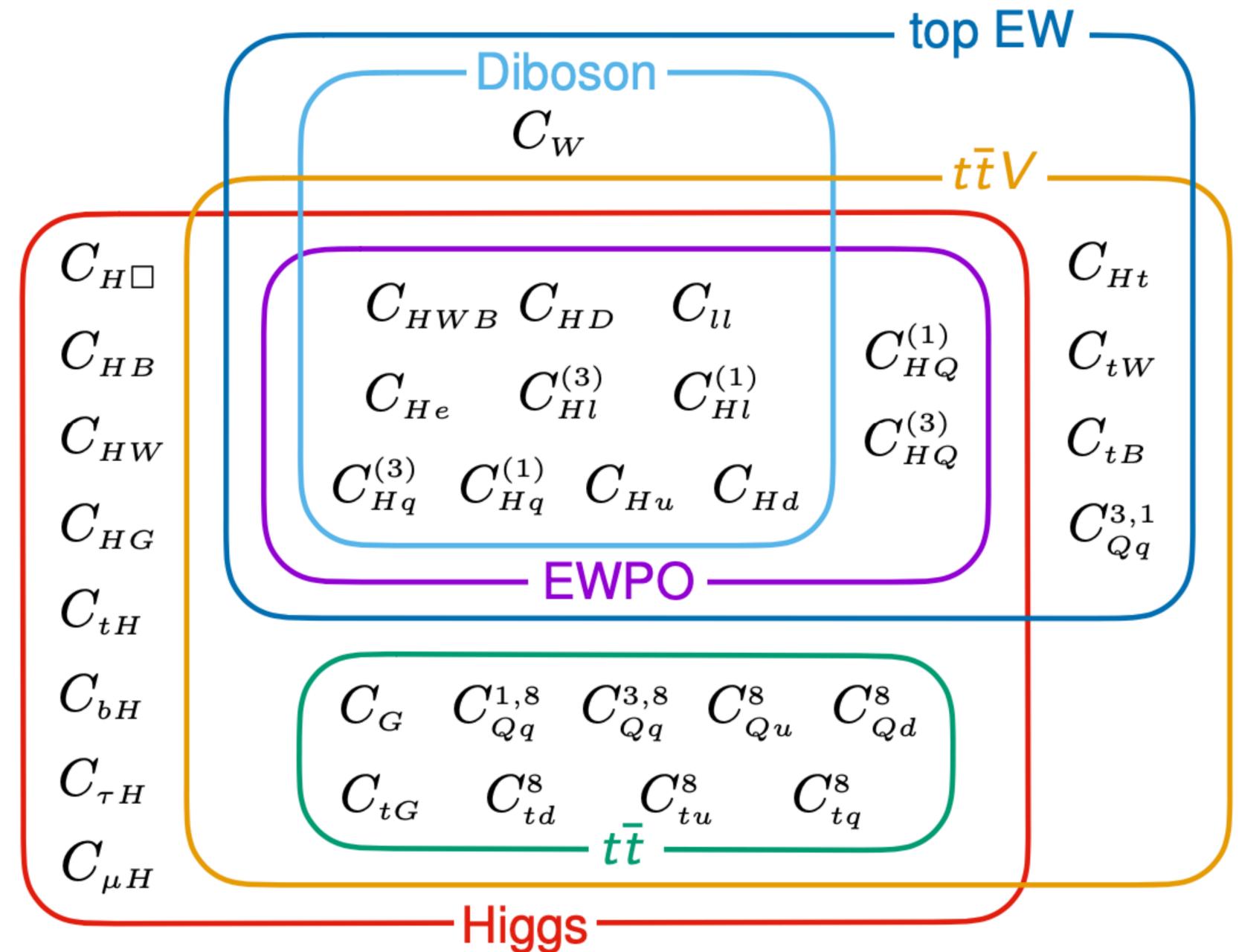
# SMEFT

inclusion of top quark decays involves

- purely boson operators
- two-fermion operators
- four-fermion operators

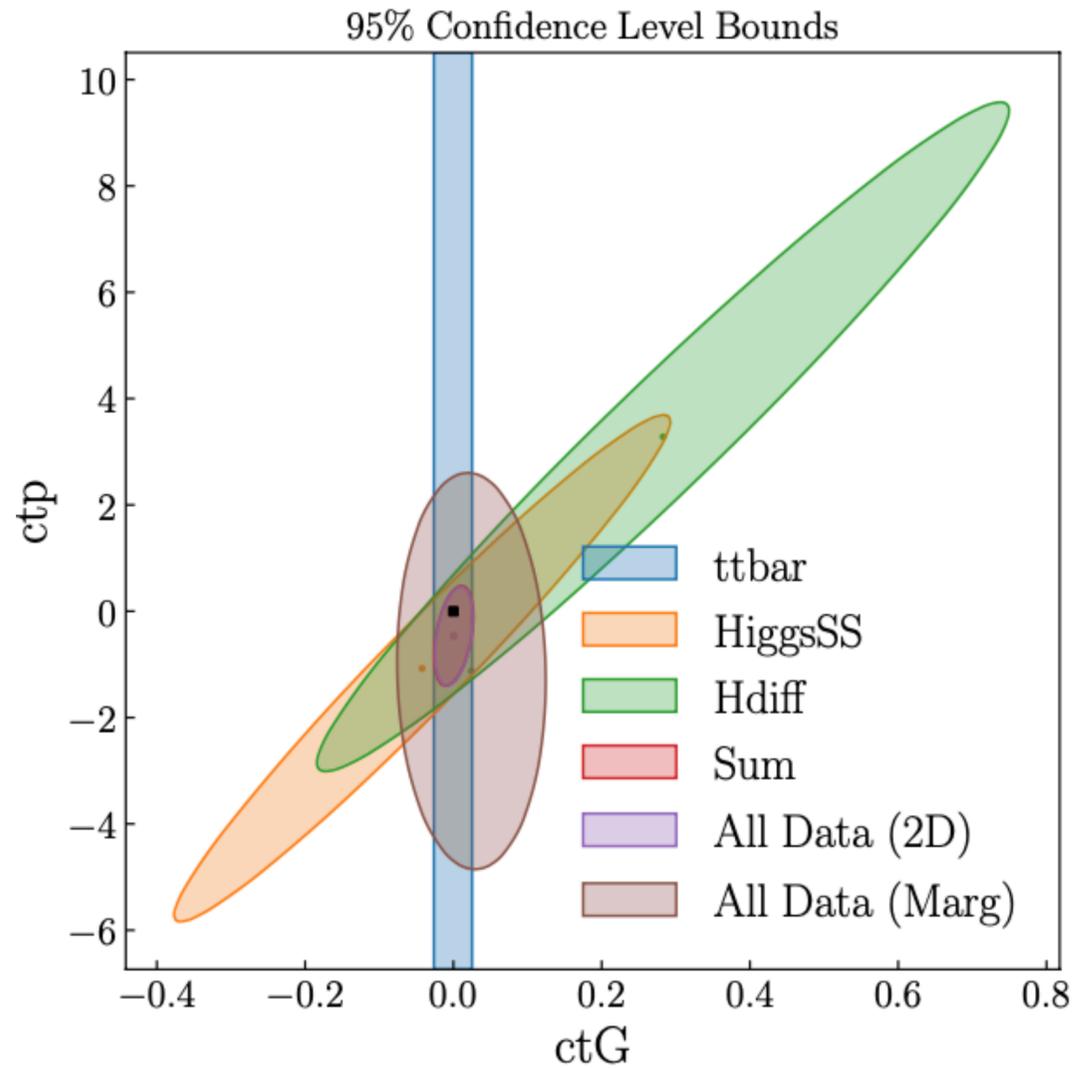
example	3rd generation quarks	
$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi Q}^{(1)}$	$c_{\varphi Q}^{(1)}$ (*)	$i(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)(\bar{Q} \gamma^\mu Q)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi Q}^{(3)}$	$c_{\varphi Q}^{(3)}$	$i(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \tau_I \varphi)(\bar{Q} \gamma^\mu \tau^I Q)$
$\mathcal{O}_{\varphi t}$	$c_{\varphi t}$	$i(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)(\bar{t} \gamma^\mu t)$
$\mathcal{O}_{tW}$	$c_{tW}$	$i(\bar{Q} \tau^{\mu\nu} \tau_I t) \tilde{\varphi} W_{\mu\nu}^I + \text{h.c.}$
$\mathcal{O}_{tB}$	$c_{tB}$ (*)	$i(\bar{Q} \tau^{\mu\nu} t) \tilde{\varphi} B_{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$
$\mathcal{O}_{tG}$	$c_{tG}$	$igs(\bar{Q} \tau^{\mu\nu} T_A t) \tilde{\varphi} G_{\mu\nu}^A + \text{h.c.}$
$\mathcal{O}_{t\varphi}$	$c_{t\varphi}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi) \bar{Q} t \tilde{\varphi} + \text{h.c.}$
$\mathcal{O}_{b\varphi}$	$c_{b\varphi}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi) \bar{Q} b \varphi + \text{h.c.}$

Ethier et al, 2105.00006

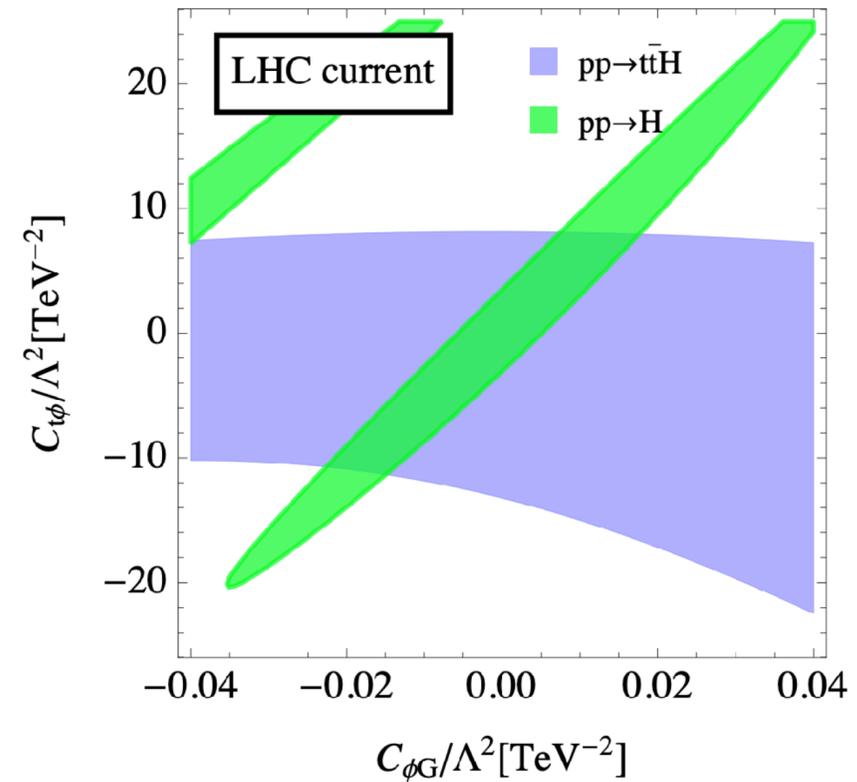


Ellis, Madigan, Sanz, You 2012.02779

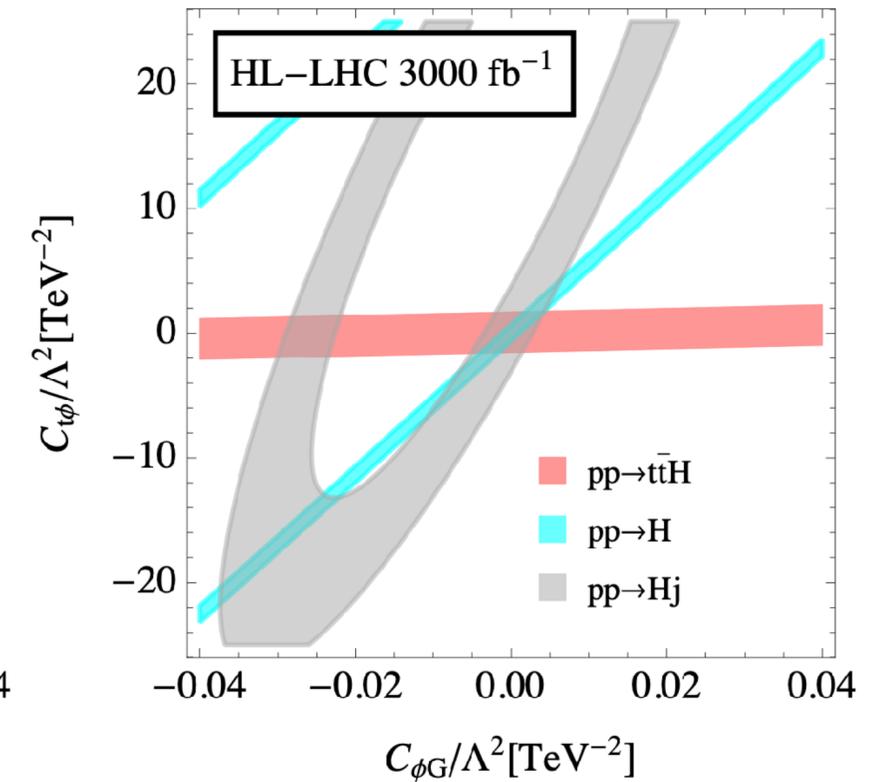
# Complementarity to Higgs observables



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Maltoni, Vryonidou, Zhang 1607.05330:



## Operators involving two quarks and one or more bosons

Operator	Definition	WC	Lead processes affected
$\dagger O_{u\phi}^{(ij)}$	$\bar{q}_i u_j \tilde{\phi} (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)$	$c_{t\phi} + ic_{t\phi}^I$	$t\bar{t}H, tHq$
$O_{\phi q}^{1(ij)}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)(\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu q_j)$	$c_{\phi Q}^- + c_{\phi Q}^3$	$t\bar{t}H, t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, tHq, t\bar{l}q$
$O_{\phi q}^{3(ij)}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I \varphi)(\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu \tau^I q_j)$	$c_{\phi Q}^3$	$t\bar{t}H, t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, tHq, t\bar{l}q$
$O_{\phi u}^{(ij)}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)(\bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu u_j)$	$c_{\phi t}$	$t\bar{t}H, t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, t\bar{l}q$
$\dagger O_{\phi ud}^{(ij)}$	$(\tilde{\phi}^\dagger iD_\mu \varphi)(\bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu d_j)$	$c_{\phi tb} + ic_{\phi tb}^I$	$t\bar{t}H, t\bar{l}q, tHq$
$\dagger O_{uW}^{(ij)}$	$(\bar{q}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} \tau^I u_j) \tilde{\phi} W_{\mu\nu}^I$	$c_{tW} + ic_{tW}^I$	$t\bar{t}H, t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, tHq, t\bar{l}q$
$\dagger O_{dW}^{(ij)}$	$(\bar{q}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} \tau^I d_j) \phi W_{\mu\nu}^I$	$c_{bW} + ic_{bW}^I$	$t\bar{t}H, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, tHq, t\bar{l}q$
$\dagger O_{uB}^{(ij)}$	$(\bar{q}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} u_j) \tilde{\phi} B_{\mu\nu}$	$(c_W c_{tW} - c_{tZ})/s_W + i(c_W c_{tW}^I - c_{tZ}^I)/s_W$	$t\bar{t}H, t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, tHq$
$\dagger O_{uG}^{(ij)}$	$(\bar{q}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^A u_j) \tilde{\phi} G_{\mu\nu}^A$	$g_s(c_{tG} + ic_{tG}^I)$	$t\bar{t}H, t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, tHq$

## Operators involving two quarks and one or more leptons

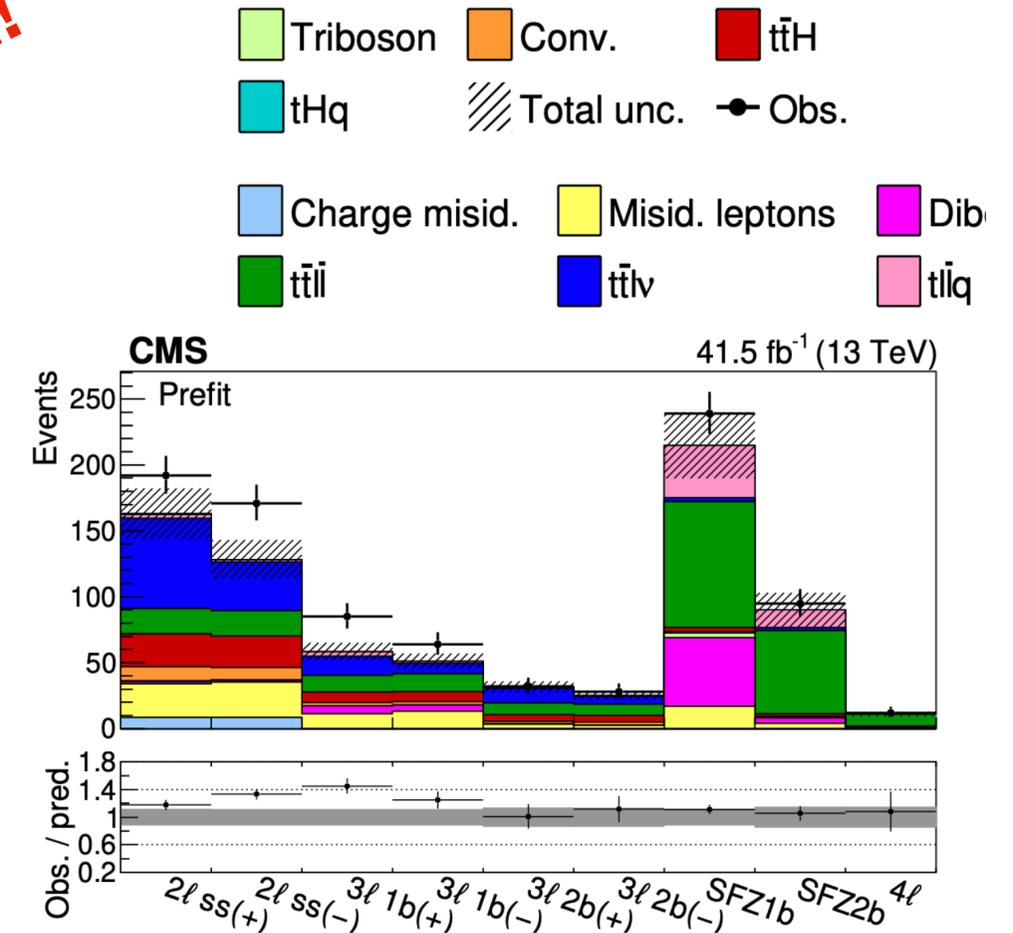
Operator	Definition	WC	Lead processes affected
$O_{\ell q}^{1(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j)(\bar{q}_k \gamma^\mu q_l)$	$c^{-(\ell)}$	$t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, t\bar{l}q$
$O_{\ell q}^{3(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \tau^I \ell_j)(\bar{q}_k \gamma^\mu \tau^I q_l)$	$c^{(\ell)}$	$t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, t\bar{l}q$
$O_{\ell u}^{(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j)(\bar{u}_k \gamma^\mu u_l)$	$c_{t\ell}^{(\ell)}$	$t\bar{t}l\bar{l}$
$O_{e\bar{q}}^{(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{e}_i \gamma^\mu \tau^I q_j)(\bar{q}_k \gamma^\mu \tau^I q_l)$	$c_{Qe}^{(\ell)}$	$t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, t\bar{l}q$
$O_{eu}^{(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{e}_i \gamma^\mu q_j)(\bar{u}_k \gamma^\mu u_l)$	$c_{te}^{(\ell)}$	$t\bar{t}l\bar{l}$
$O_{\ell q}^{S(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{\ell}_i \gamma^\mu \ell_j) \varepsilon (\bar{q}_k u_l)$	$c_t^{S(\ell)} + ic_t^{SI(\ell)}$	$t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, t\bar{l}q$
$O_{\ell q}^{T(ijkl)}$	$(\bar{\ell}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} \ell_j) \varepsilon (\bar{q}_k \sigma_{\mu\nu} u_l)$	$c_t^{T(\ell)} + ic_t^{TI(\ell)}$	$t\bar{t}l\nu, t\bar{t}l\bar{l}, t\bar{l}q$

inclusion of decays with off-shell effects important!

## 35 event categories

depending on number of leptons, charge, number of b-jets

## fit of 16 Wilson coefficients



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