

# EF02 Highlights (BSM Higgs)

An Early Career Perspective

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# The Higgs as a Portal to New Physics

*Inextricably related with EF01!*

Two (complementary) aspects:

- Learning about BSM physics from measuring the SM Higgs couplings
- Searching for new signals with additional Higgs bosons / new scalars

Important to consider these aspects together!

# What *don't* we know about the SM Higgs?

Lots of room for more precision in all the Higgs couplings, but two gaping holes:

$$-\mu^2 H^\dagger H + \lambda (H^\dagger H)^2$$

Higgs potential (self-coupling)

Extended scalar sectors  
EW phase transition  
Baryogenesis  
Hierarchy Problem  
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$$\lambda_{ij}^u Q_i H \bar{u}_j - \lambda_{ij}^d Q_i H^c \bar{d}_j$$

Light flavor Yukawas

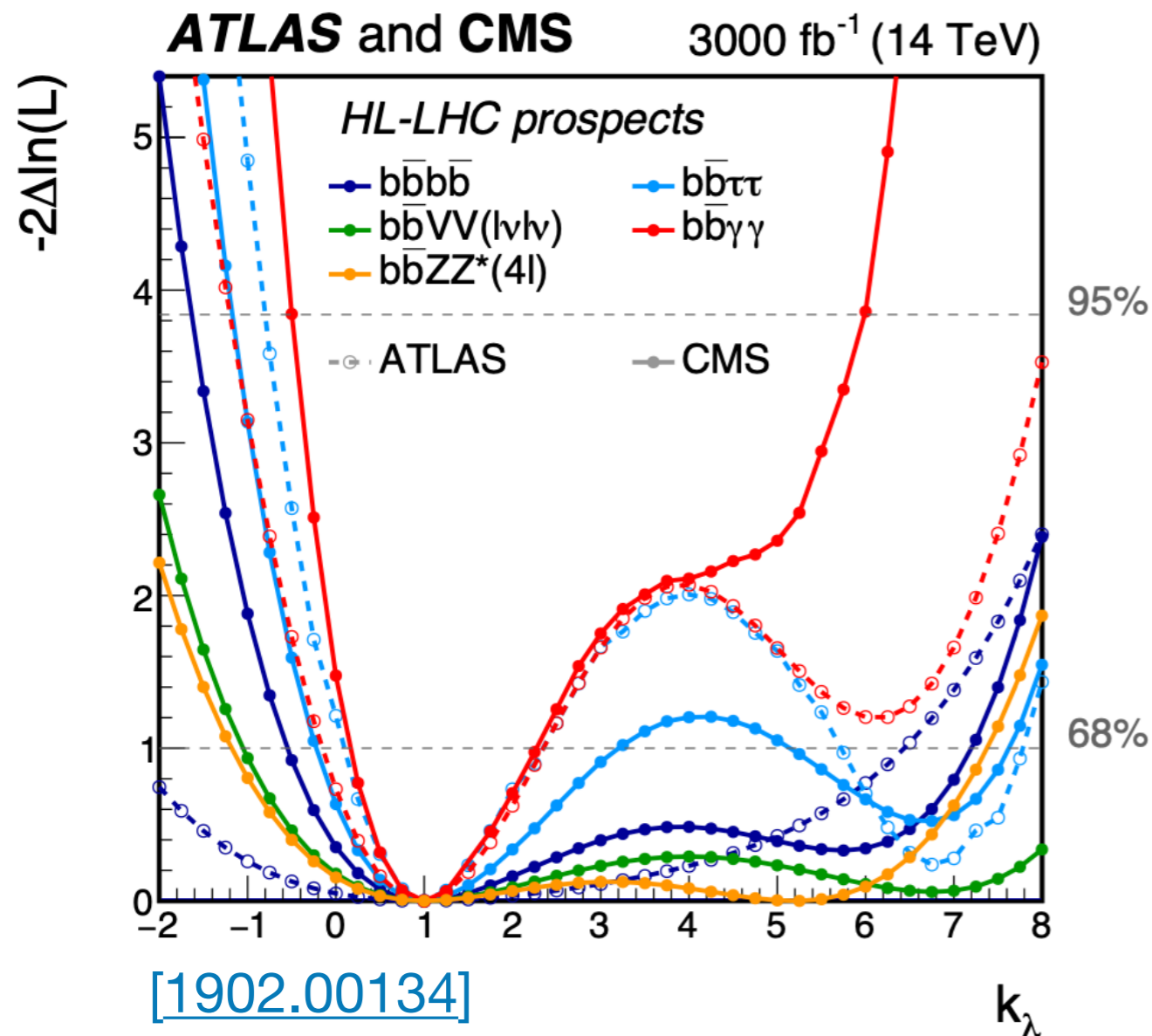
Flavor Puzzle  
Strong CP Problem  
Baryogenesis  
Extended scalar sectors  
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# Di-Higgs Production — the Self-Coupling

HL-LHC prospects on  $\lambda_{hhh}$ :



What is our BSM theory target?

- Can we exclude models with first-order EW phase transitions?
- Unitarity arguments connect deviations to scale of new physics (see e.g., [Spencer Chang's EF02 talk](#))
- Large deviations typically involve models with **new scalars** (see e.g., [Sven Heinemeyer's EF02 talk](#))

(Note: **huge** improvement already compared to Snowmass 2013 projections!)

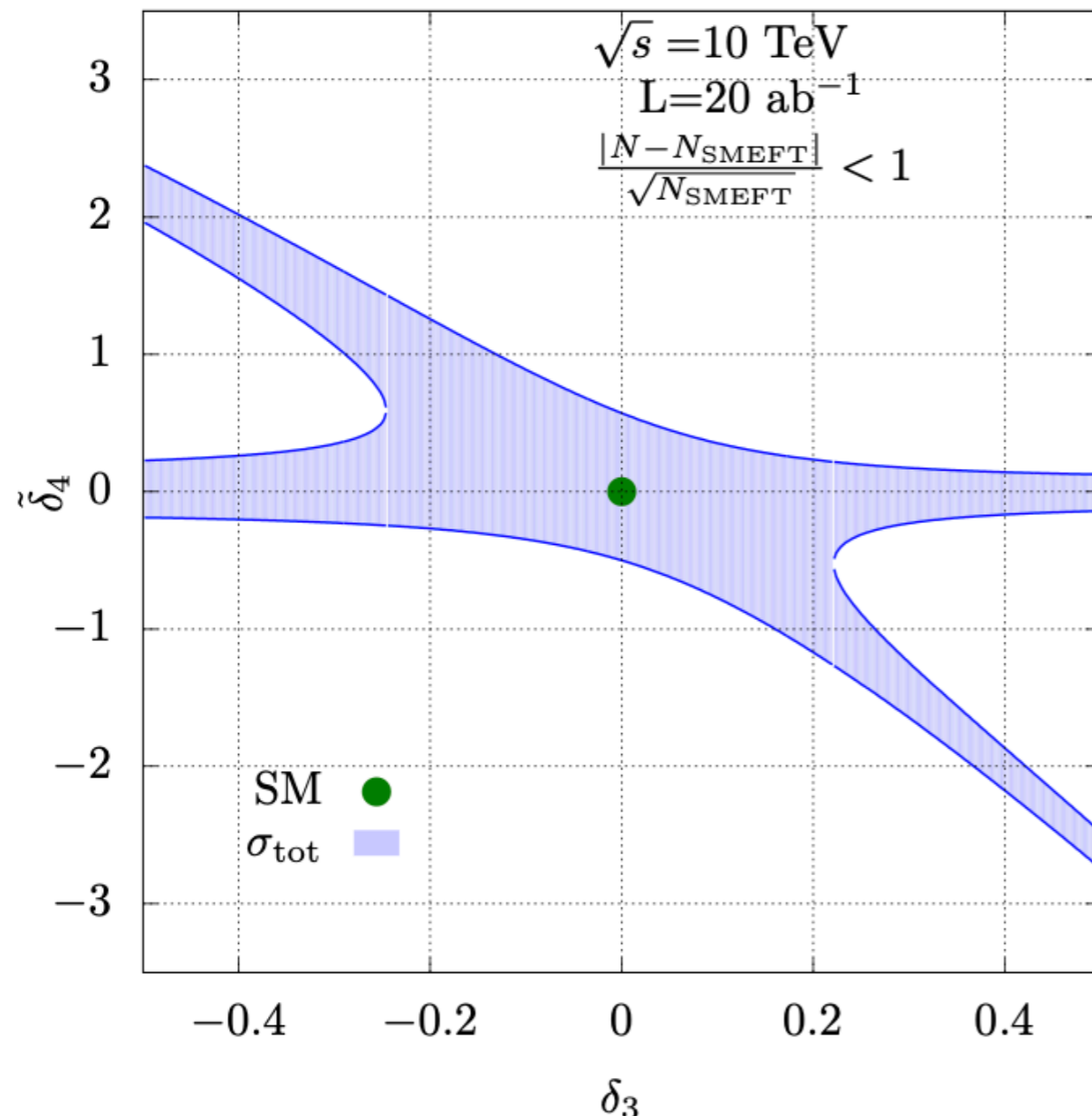
# Di-Higgs Production — the Self-Coupling

*Future colliders needed!*

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Possibilities at a High-Energy Muon Collider?

(see e.g., [Mauro Chiesa's EF02 talk](#))



collider	single- $H$	$HH$	combined
HL-LHC	100-200%	50%	50%
CEPC <sub>240</sub>	49%	–	49%
ILC <sub>250</sub>	49%	–	49%
ILC <sub>500</sub>	38%	27%	22%
ILC <sub>1000</sub>	36%	10%	10%
CLIC <sub>380</sub>	50%	–	50%
CLIC <sub>1500</sub>	49%	36%	29%
CLIC <sub>3000</sub>	49%	9%	9%
FCC-ee	33%	–	33%
FCC-ee (4 IPs)	24%	–	24%
HE-LHC	-	15%	15%
FCC-hh	-	5%	5%

These values are combined with an independent determination of the self-coupling with uncertainty 50% from the HL-LHC.

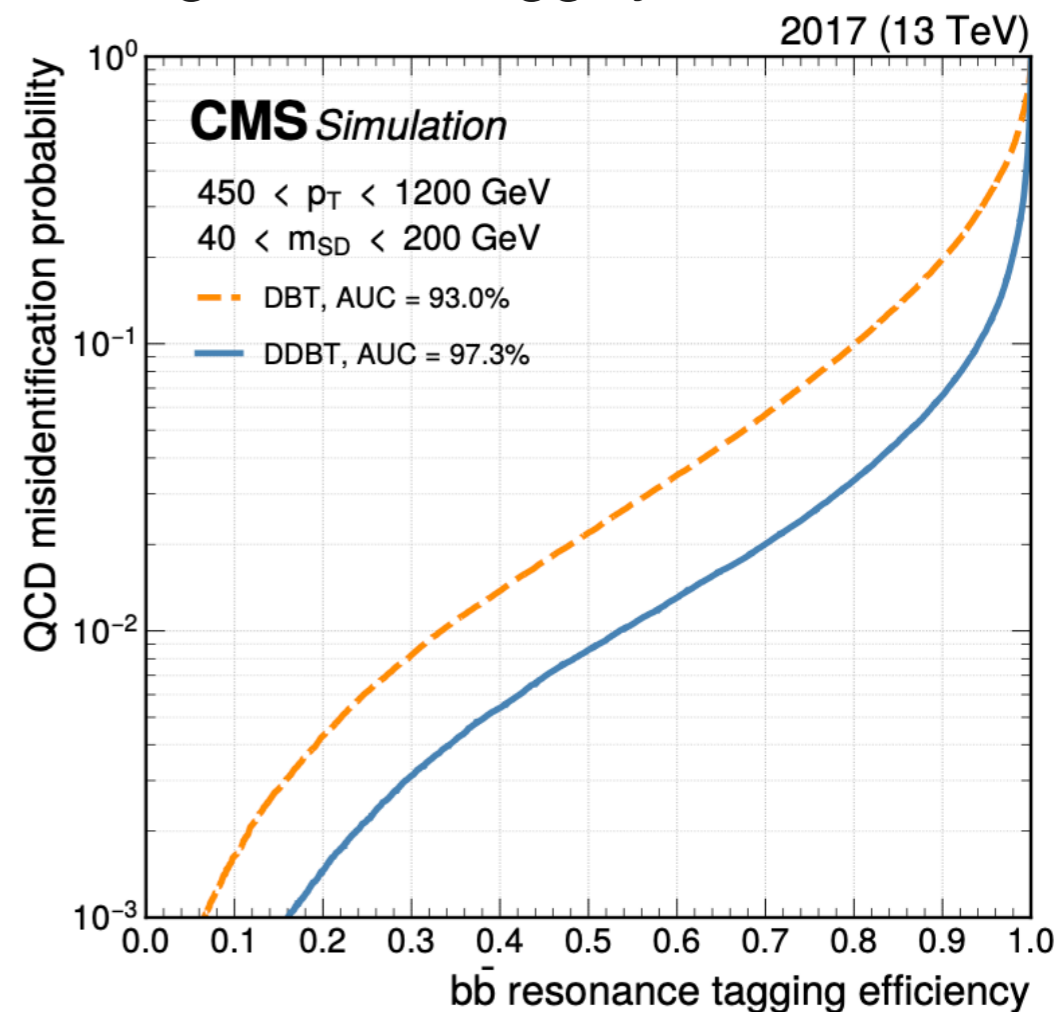
# Di-Higgs Production — Experimental Improvements?

Still lots of room for improvement in boosted hadronic channels!

- ▶ Branching fractions for HH decays:
  - ▶  $bb\gamma\gamma$  : 0.26%
  - ▶  $bbbb$  : 33.9%. 130× more signal than  $bb\gamma\gamma$
  - ▶  $bbWW$  : 24.9% 98× more signal than  $bb\gamma\gamma$
  - ▶  $bbZZ$  : 3.0% 12× more signal than  $bb\gamma\gamma$
  - ▶  $VVV$  : 5.8% 22× more signal than  $bb\gamma\gamma$
- ▶ After requiring both Higgs with  $p_T > 400$  GeV
  - ▶  $bbbb$  : 5.2× signal yield of  $bb\gamma\gamma$
  - ▶  $bbWW$  : 4.3× signal yield of  $bb\gamma\gamma$
  - ▶  $VVV$  : 0.9× signal yield of  $bb\gamma\gamma$

See Javier Duarte's Talk from joint [EF01/EF02 discussion](#) last May + [EF02 talk last Fall](#)

*New Higgs Tagging Approaches for boosted, large radius Higgs jets*



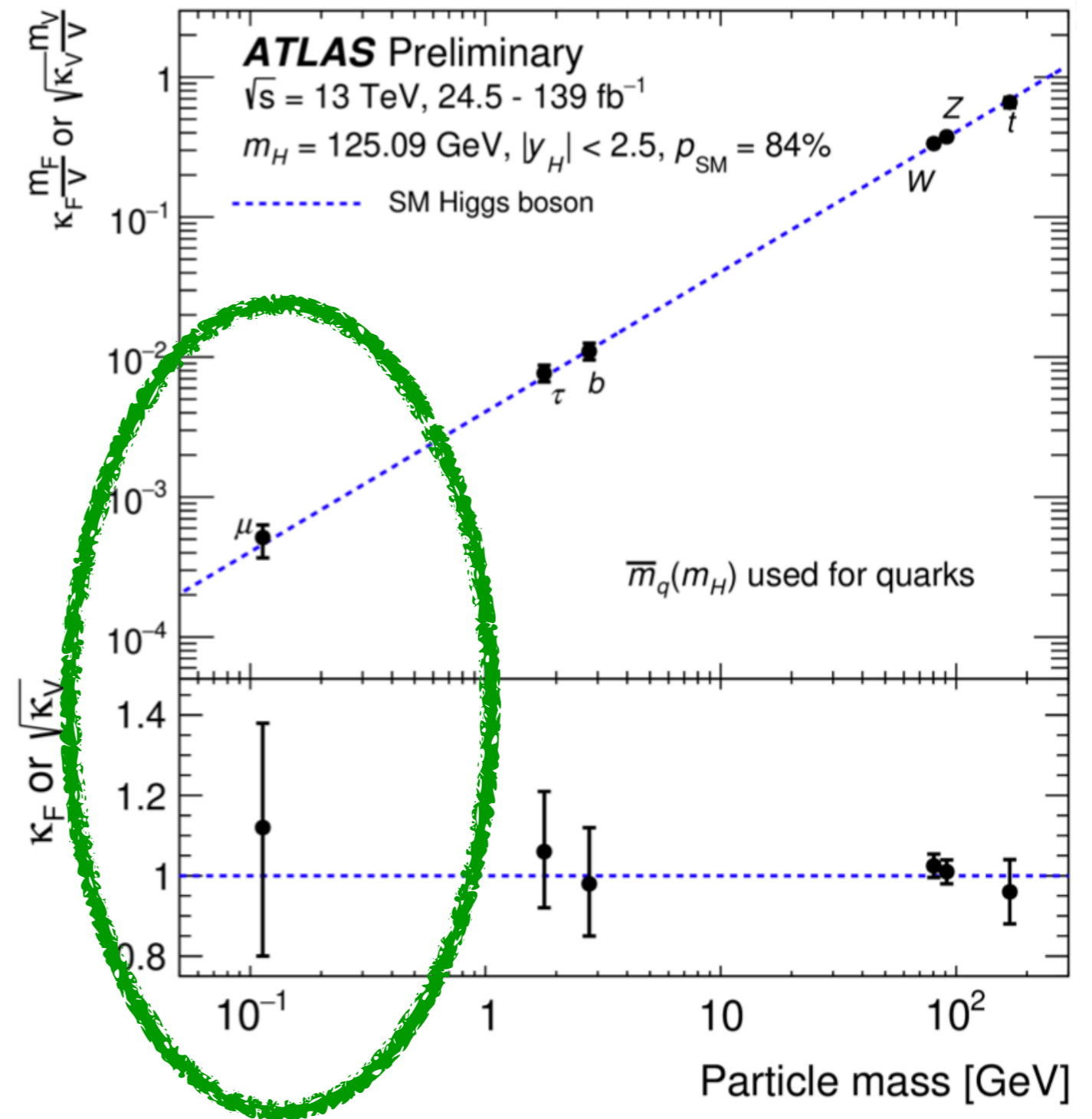
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# Higgs and Flavor

Higgs coupling-mass relationship well fit for the third generation

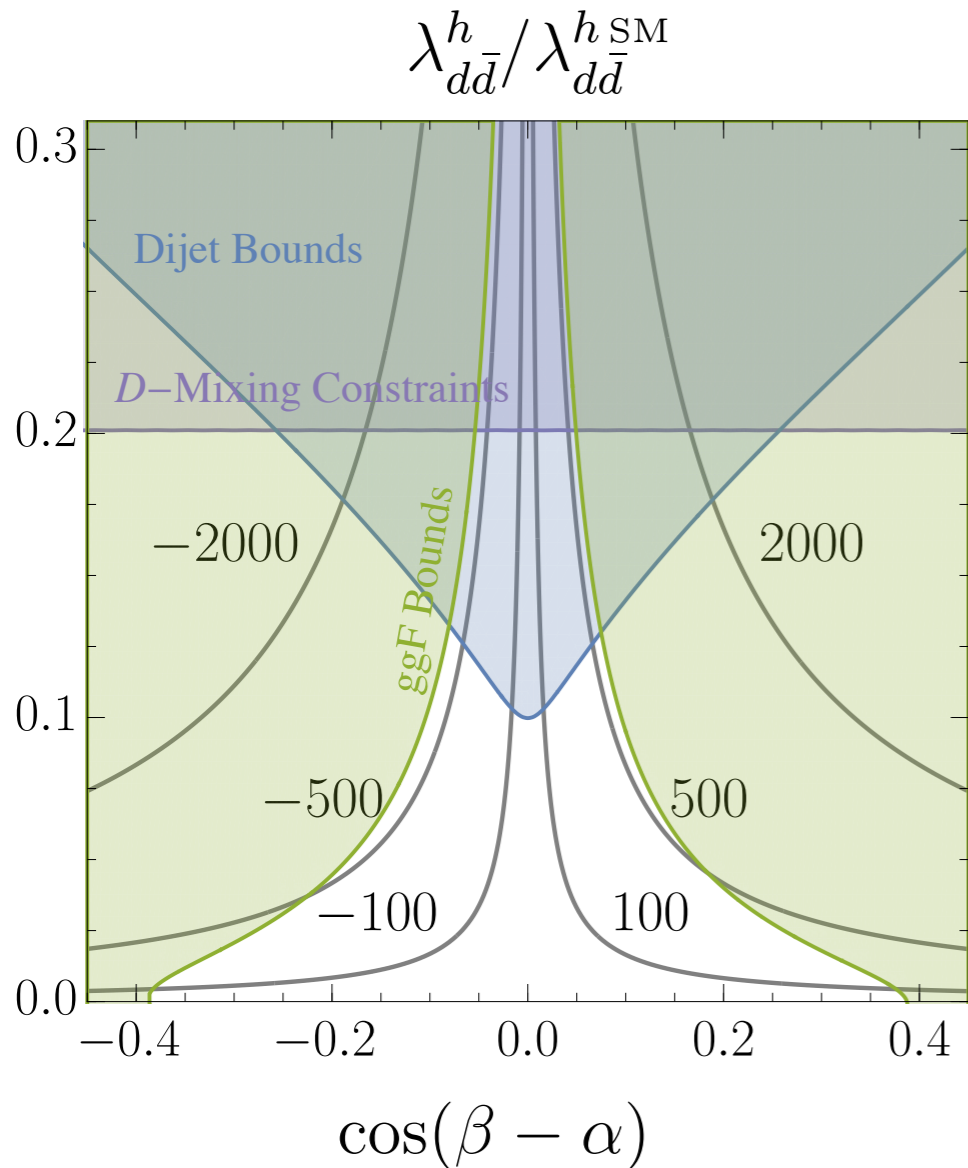
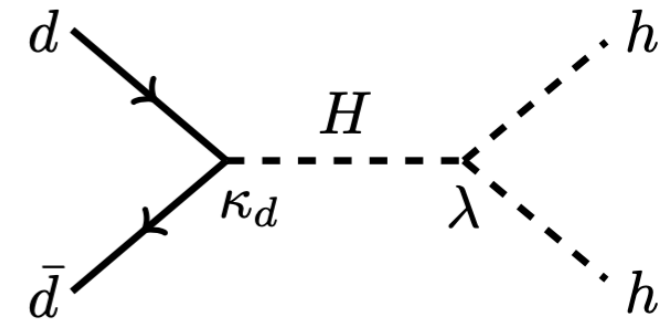
First and second generation quark Yukawas almost completely unconstrained!

- What kind of theories predict large (observable?) enhancements?
- What about bounds on flavor-violating decays?
- How feasible are measurements of light flavor in the future?

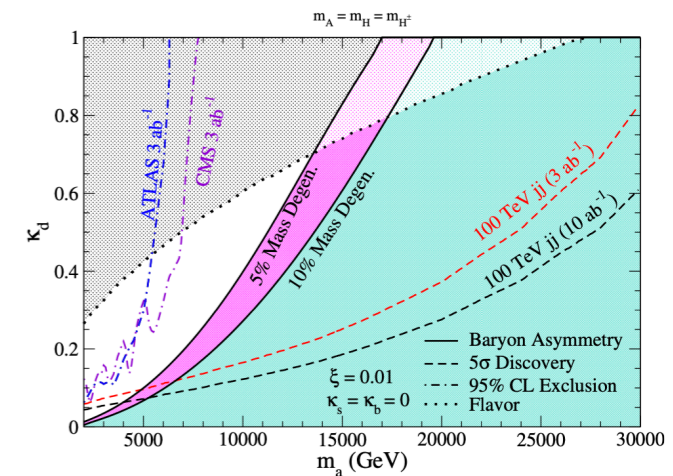


# Higgs and Flavor — Theory Targets

New theory ideas: large enhancements of the Higgs Yukawas possible in models with *flavor alignment*  
 (D. Egaña, **SH**, P. Meade, 1908.11376, 2101.04119)



- Lead to interesting signatures from new states
- Straightforward extension to models of baryogenesis (see Davoudiasl et al., [2103.12089](#))
- $\mathcal{O}(30)$  enhancements to strange also possible!



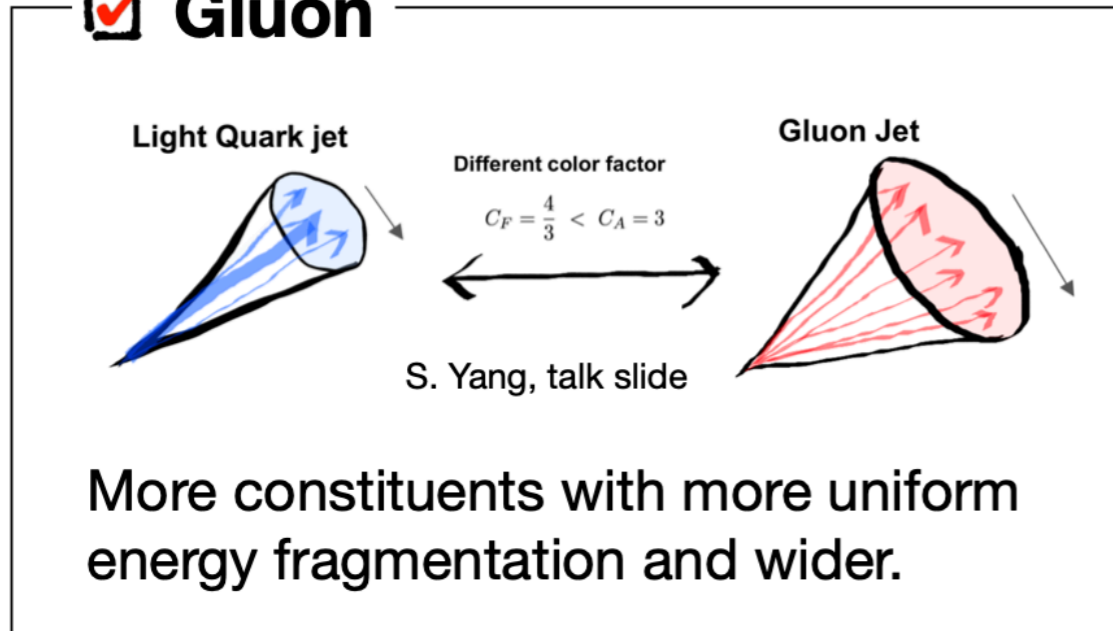
See also [D. Tuckler's EF02 talk](#) for ideas leading to flavor-violating Higgs decays



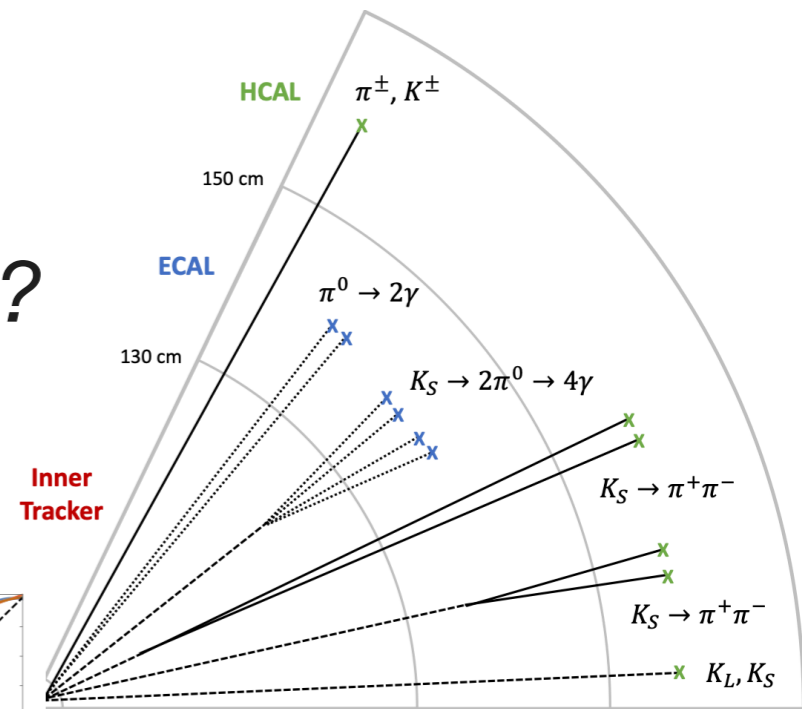
# Higgs and Flavor — Tagging Prospects

Is it possible to tag all different flavor jets?

## ☑ Gluon



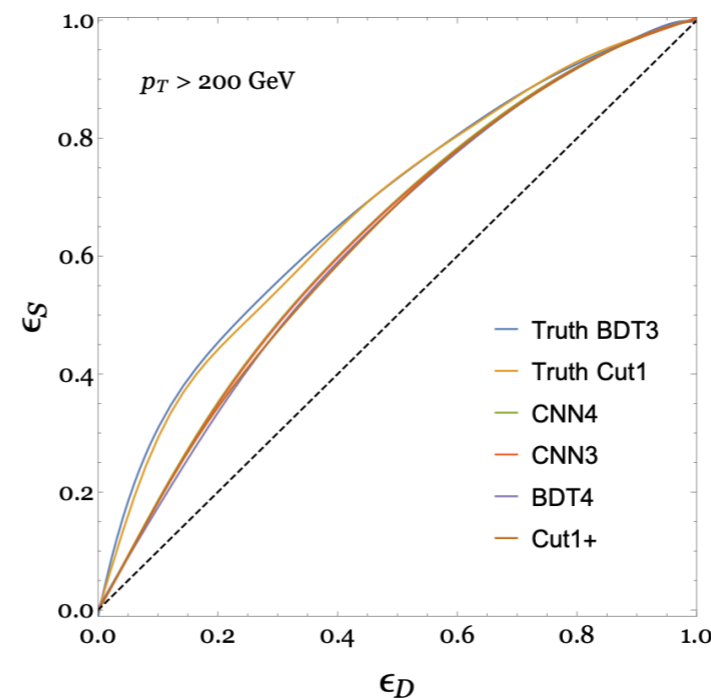
What about *strange tagging*?



## ☑ Up-type vs Down-type

$p_T$ -weighted jet charge

$$Q_\kappa^i = \frac{1}{(p_T^{\text{jet}})^\kappa} \sum_{j \in \text{jet}} Q_j (p_T^j)^\kappa$$



(Yuichiro Nakai, [EF02 Meeting](#) + [\[2003.09517\]](#))

See also [Valentina Cairo's Talk in EF01](#) for prospects at ILC

# Summary

Lots of other interesting studies and results that I don't have time to talk about!

A few takeaways:

- We still need to measure the self-coupling and light flavor to “complete” the SM
  - New ideas from theory on large Yukawas, di-Higgs production, and flavor-violating decays
  - Exciting improvements in prospects on light- and heavy-flavor tagging
- Ultimately need future colliders — lots of interesting options, each with strengths/weaknesses!
  - What are the ideas from BSM physics motivating our targets for Higgs precision?