

Vector-like quarks with large width at the LHC

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Vector-like fermions

defining features

A fermion is **vector-like** under a gauge group if its left-handed and right-handed chiralities transform in the **same way**

e.g. SM quarks are vector-like under $SU(3)_c$ but are chiral under $SU(2) \times U(1)_Y$

Why “vector-like”?

$$\mathcal{L}_W = g/\sqrt{2} j^\mu \pm W_\mu^\pm \quad \text{Charged current Lagrangian}$$

SM Chiral fermions

$$j_L^\mu = \bar{f}_L \gamma^\mu f'_L \quad j_R^\mu = 0$$
$$j^\mu = j_L^\mu + j_R^\mu = \bar{f} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma^5) f'$$

V-A structure

Vector-like fermions

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V structure

Peculiar Properties

$$\mathcal{L}_M = -M \bar{\psi} \psi \quad \text{Gauge invariant mass term without the Higgs}$$

No need to add both quarks and leptons: axial anomalies are automatically absent

VLQ representations

Minimal SM extensions with one VLQ representation interacting through Yukawa terms

SM		Singlets	Doublets	Triplets
	$(\begin{smallmatrix} u \\ d \end{smallmatrix}) (\begin{smallmatrix} c \\ s \end{smallmatrix}) (\begin{smallmatrix} t \\ b \end{smallmatrix})$	(t') (b')	$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ t' \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} t' \\ b' \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} b' \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ t' \\ b' \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} t' \\ b' \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$
$SU(2)_L$	2 and 1	1	2	3
$U(1)_Y$	$q_L = 1/6$ $u_R = 2/3$ $d_R = -1/3$	2/3 -1/3	7/6 1/6 -5/6	2/3 -1/3
\mathcal{L}_Y	$-y_u^i \bar{q}_L^i H^c u_R^i$ $-y_d^i \bar{q}_L^i V_{CKM}^{ij} H d_R^j$	$-\lambda_u^i \bar{q}_L^i H^c t'_R$ $-\lambda_d^i \bar{q}_L^i H b'_R$	$-\lambda_u^i \psi_L H^{(c)} u_R^i$ $-\lambda_d^i \psi_L H^{(c)} d_R^i$	$-\lambda_i \bar{q}_L^i \tau^a H^{(c)} \psi_R^a$

Larger representations are allowed if multiple VLQs or extended Higgs sector

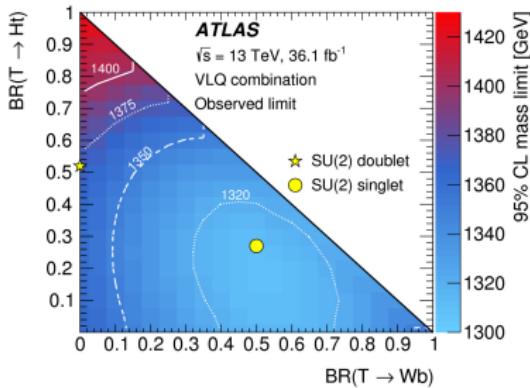
Vector-like quarks in many models of New Physics

- Warped or universal **extra-dimensions**: KK excitations of bulk fields
- Composite Higgs models**: excited resonances of the bound states which form SM particles
- Little Higgs models**: partners of SM fermions in larger group representations which ensure the cancellation of divergent loops
- Non-minimal SUSY extensions**: increase corrections to Higgs mass without affecting EWPT

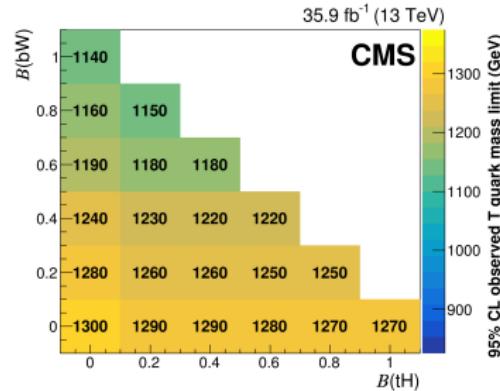
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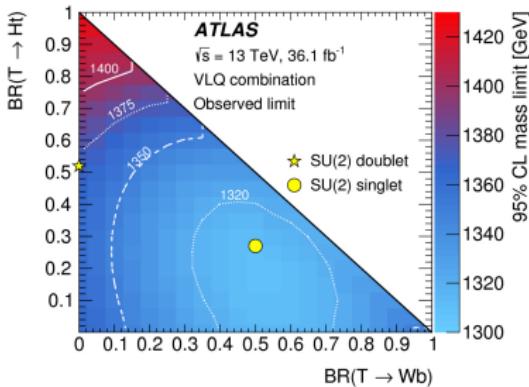
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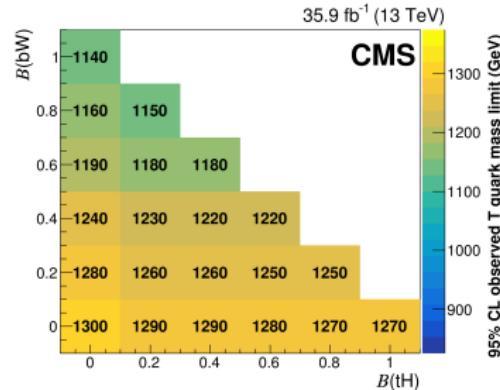
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Single production of VLQs with finite width

interacting only with SM states



based on

A. Carvalho, S. Moretti, D. O'Brien, **LP** and H. Prager
Single production of vectorlike quarks with large width at the Large Hadron Collider
Phys.Rev. D98 (2018) no.1, 015029

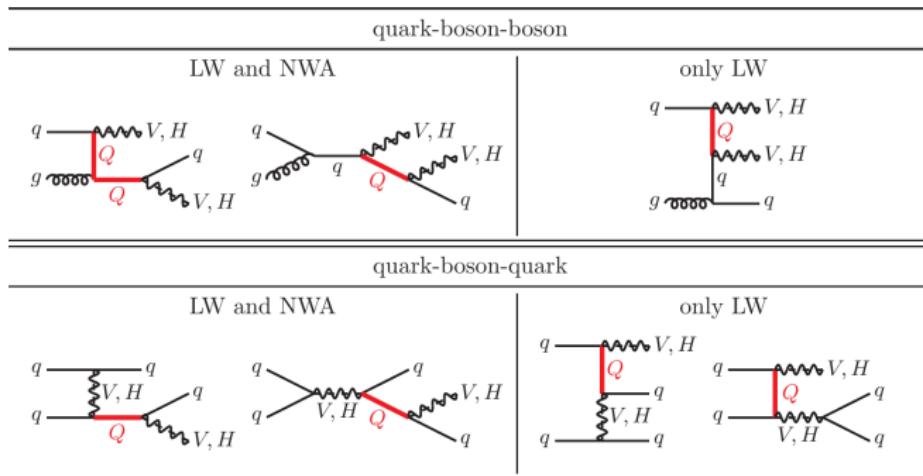
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Search for single production of a vector-like T quark decaying to a Z boson and a top quark in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
Phys.Lett. B781 (2018) 574-600

Search for single production of vector-like quarks decaying to a b quark and a Higgs boson
JHEP 1806 (2018) 031

Including more topologies



If the width of the VLQ is large with respect to its mass:

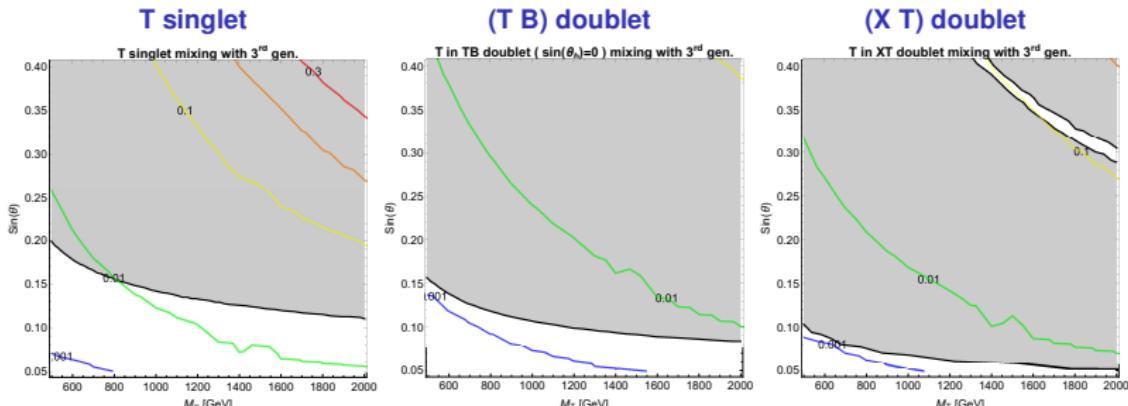
- **Off-shell effects** are not negligible anymore
- **Subdominant topologies** in the Narrow Width Approximation may become important
- Outside the NWA all topologies leading to the same final state must anyway be taken into account for **gauge invariance**
- Need to redefine the signal to take into account **interference effects**

How large the width can be

To obtain a large width:

- Increase couplings
 - bounds from other observables (flavour, EWPT); perturbativity
 - non-minimal extensions which allow to escape bounds while enlarging couplings
- Increase number of decay channels → new physics, non-minimal extension

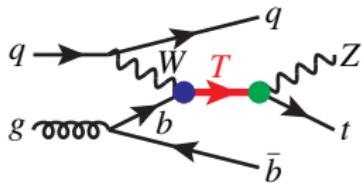
Simplified models with large couplings:



Bounds from C.-Y. Chen, S. Dawson, and E. Furlan, [Vector-like Fermions and Higgs Effective Field Theory Revisited](#), Phys. Rev. D **96** (2017) no.1, 015006.

Simplified models with large couplings already excluded by other observables
New physics has to be invoked

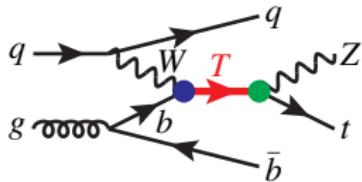
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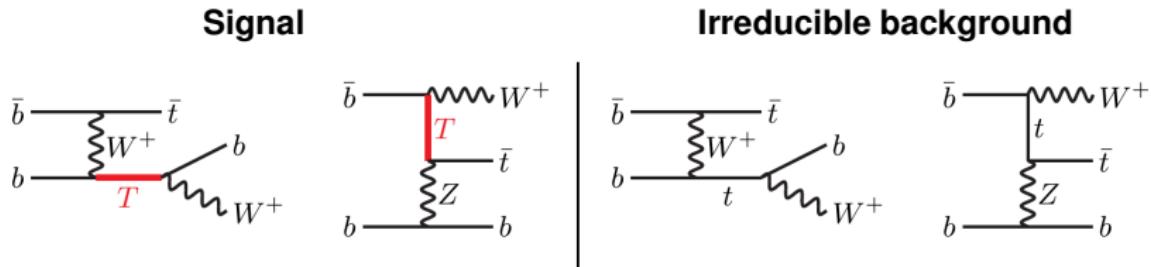
in the finite width regime (FW) and assuming negligible interference contributions

$$\sigma(C_1, C_2, m_Q, \Gamma_Q) = C_1^2 C_2^2 \hat{\sigma}(m_Q, \Gamma_Q)$$

- C_1 and C_2 couplings: partial widths and rescaling of cross-section
- Mass and total width: kinematics of the process

Consistency relation: $\Gamma_Q^{\text{partial}}(C_1) + \Gamma_Q^{\text{partial}}(C_2) \leq \Gamma_Q$

Interference



signal with itself

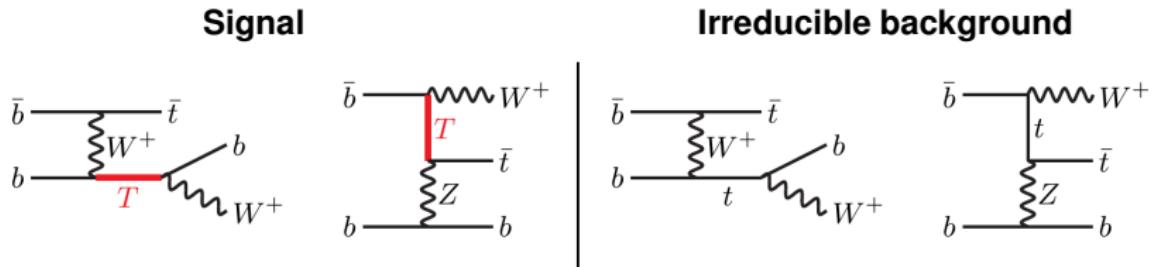
$$\sigma_S = C_2^2 \hat{\sigma}_S(C_1, \dots, M_Q, \Gamma_Q, \chi_Q)$$

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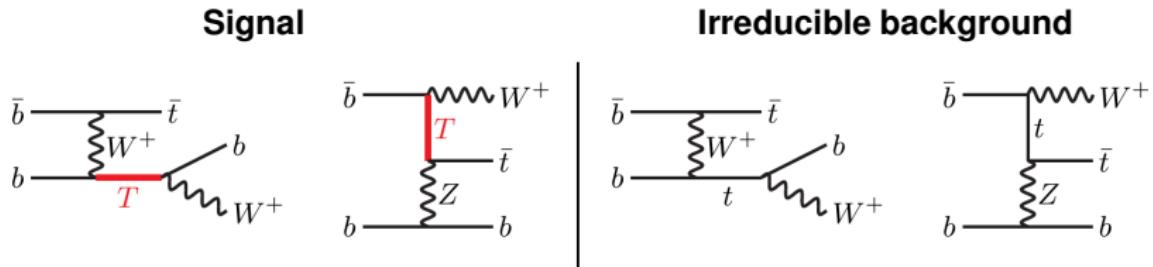
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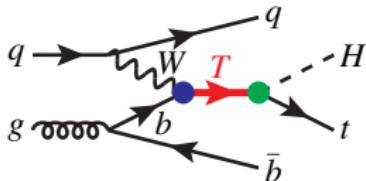
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If signal topologies always involve the same two couplings

$$\sigma_{S+B_{\text{irr}}} = \sigma(B_{\text{irr}}) + C_1^2 C_2^2 \hat{\sigma}(m_Q, \Gamma_Q) + C_1 C_2 \hat{\sigma}_{SB_{\text{irr}}}^{\text{int}}(m_Q, \Gamma_Q, \chi_Q)$$

The relative role of interference depends also on the couplings

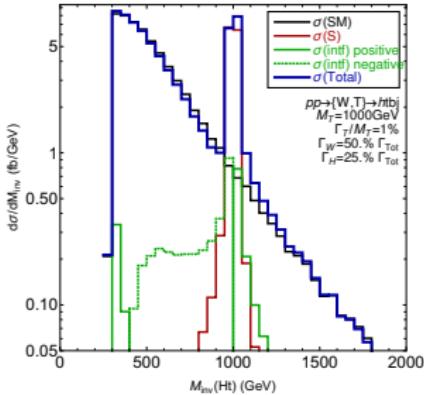
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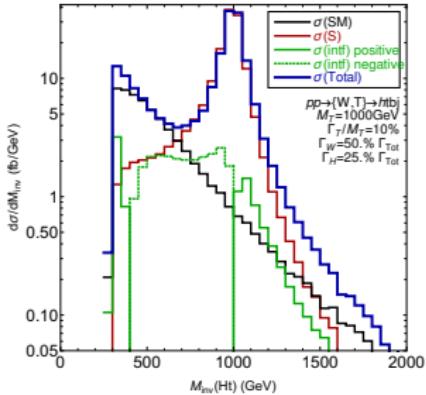
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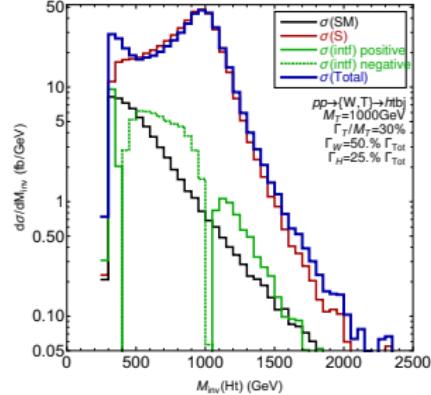
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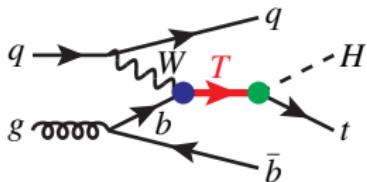
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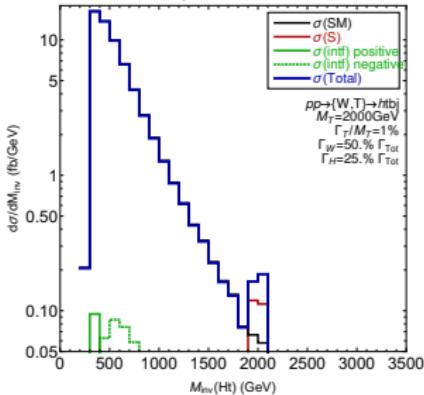
- To get a large width **the couplings become large** and the signal dominates over background
- Enhancement** of the total distribution at low invariant mass due to **positive interference**

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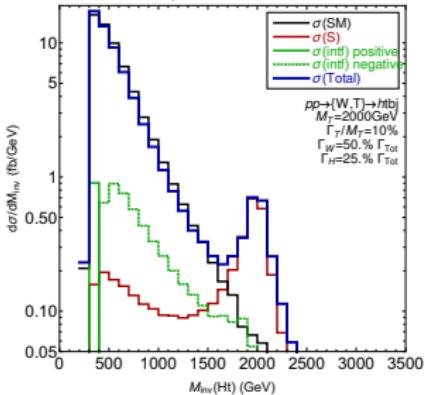


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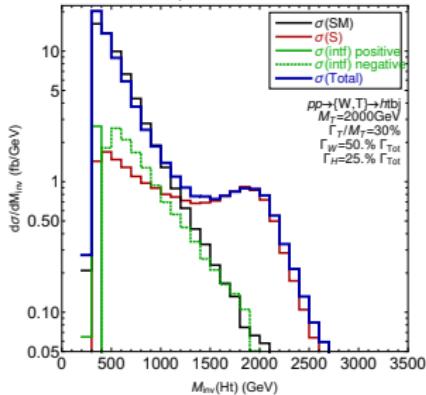
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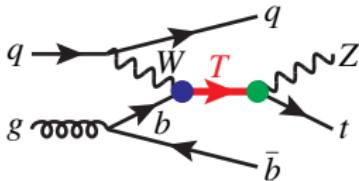
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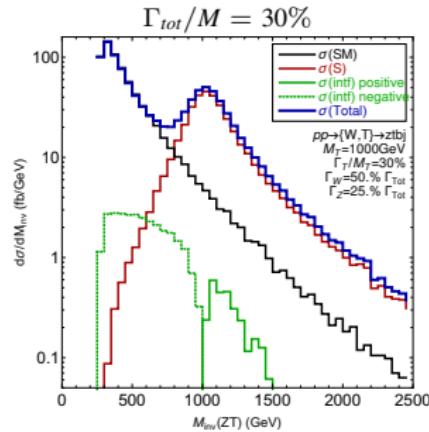
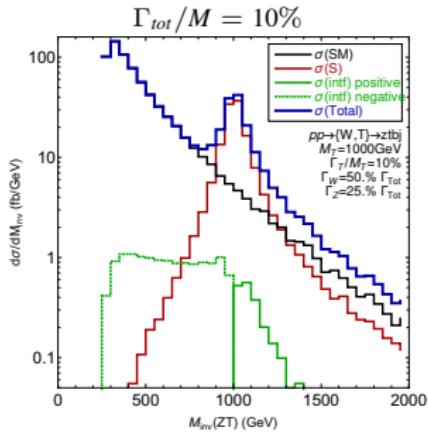
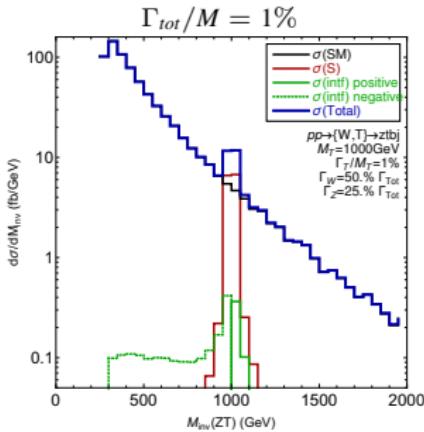
- The signal is cancelled by negative interference to the left of the peak in the large width regime, except near the threshold of production, where interference becomes positive

Role of interference



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(singlet-like)

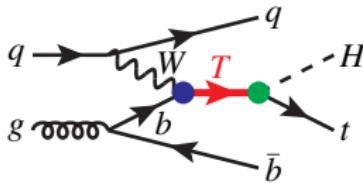


$M=1000\text{ GeV}$

- The role of **negative interference** is relevant only at small invariant mass where the background dominates

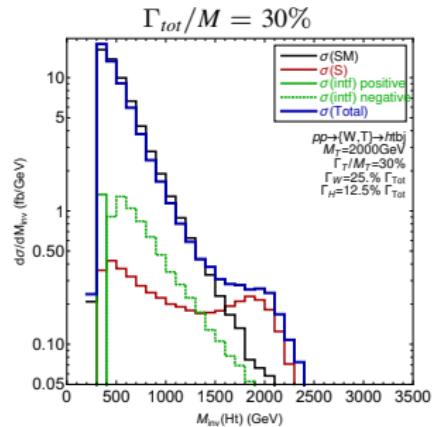
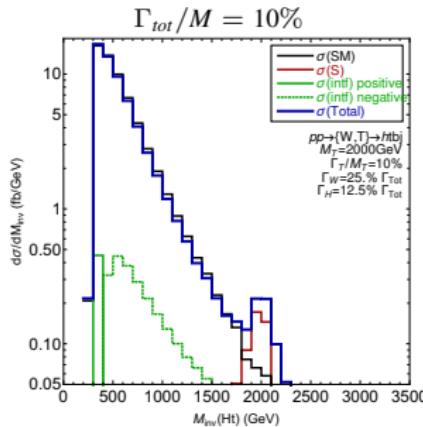
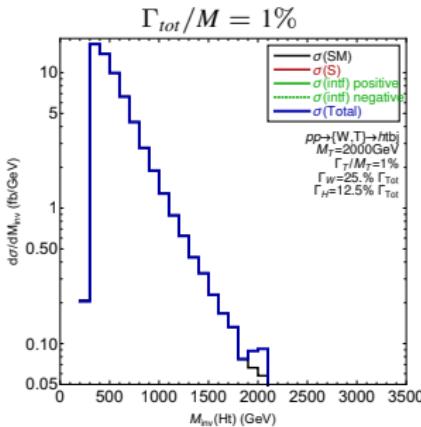
Analogous results for $M=2000\text{ GeV}$

Role of interference



$\Gamma_{Wb} : \Gamma_{Ht} : \Gamma_{Zt} = 2 : 1 : 1$ (singlet-like)

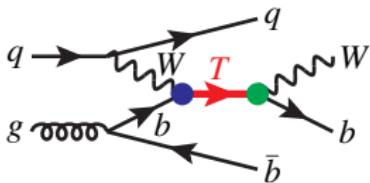
but $\Gamma_{Wb} + \Gamma_{Ht} + \Gamma_{Zt} = 50\% \Gamma_{tot}$
(there are other decay channels)



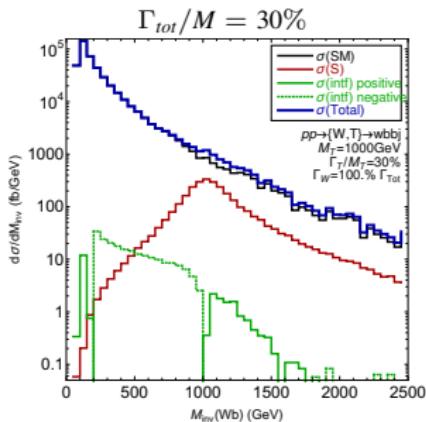
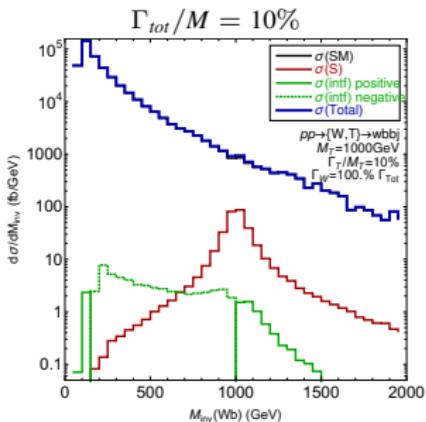
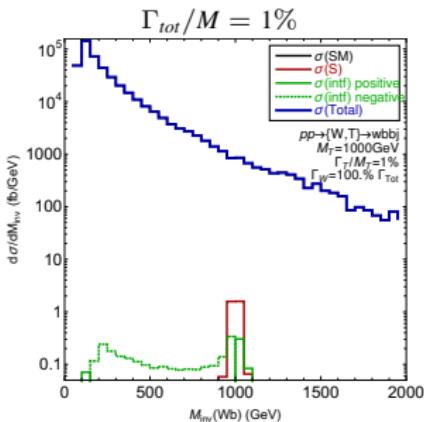
$M=2000$ GeV

- The couplings are small even for large width and the signal dominates over background only at large invariant mass
- The interference is dominant with respect to the signal to the left of the peak

Role of interference



$$\Gamma_{Wb} = 100\% \Gamma_{tot}$$



$M=1000\text{ GeV}$

- The **couplings remain small** also for large width and the background dominates over signal
- The role of **negative interference** is relevant only at small invariant mass where the background dominates

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Dark Matter Gauge Invariant simplified model (scalar s-channel mediator)	G. Butou	arXiv:1612.03475 , arXiv:1710.10794	-	-	-
Effective LR symmetric model	R. Ruiz	arXiv:1610.09985	effLRSM.fr	effLRSM_UFO	-
GM	A. Petersson	arXiv:1512.01243	-	GM_NLO_UFO	-
Heavy Neutrino	R. Ruiz	arXiv:1610.09987 , arXiv:1711.18284	heavyN.fr	HeavyN_NLO_UFO	-
Higgs characterisation	K. Mawatari	arXiv:1504.00918	-	HC_NLO_UFO.itp	-
Inclusive s-gluon pair production	B. Pukas	arXiv:1412.5599	sgluons.fr	sgluons_sfr.tgz	sgluons_validation.pdf ; sgluons_validation_root.tgz
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Top quark selfcoupling	B. Pukas	http://arxiv.org/abs/1605.09399	top_x_spm2.fr	SMPSM_NLO_UFO	-
Spin-1/2 (more details)	C. Degrande	-	-	-	-
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Stop-QCD	B. Pukas	arXiv:1510.00293	-	stop_qcd.tgz	All figures available from the arxiv
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W/Z model (more details)	B. Pukas	arXiv:1701.03283	WPrimeNLO.fr	WPrimeNLO_UFO	-
NTGC (more details)	C. Degrande	JHEP 1402 (2014) 101	NTGC.fr	NTGC_UFO_at_NLO	-
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VLQ couplings have a dedicated **coupling order** “VLQ”

Single $T \rightarrow Wb$ final state with propagation of T : “generate $p p > j b w/ + bp x y$ $VLQ==2$ ”

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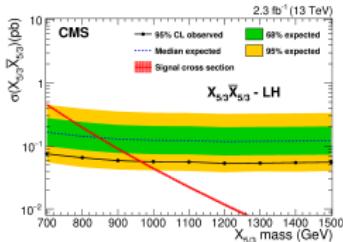
VLQ couplings have a dedicated **coupling order** “VLQ”

Single $T \rightarrow Wb$ final state with propagation of T : “generate $p p > j b w+ / bp x y$ $VLQ==2$ ”

- 3) Scan over M_Q and Γ_Q/M_Q to obtain the signal **kinematics** and experimental **efficiencies** and obtain the **upper limits** on the cross-section

Presentation of the results (1)

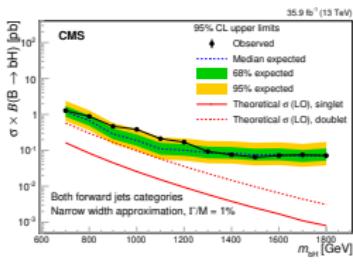
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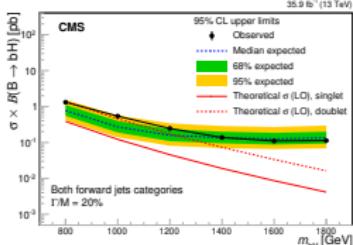
to Γ/M -dependent upper limits

CMS single-B search (JHEP 1806 (2018) 031)

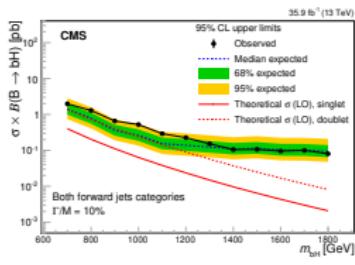
$$\frac{\Gamma}{M} = 1\% (\sim \text{NWA})$$



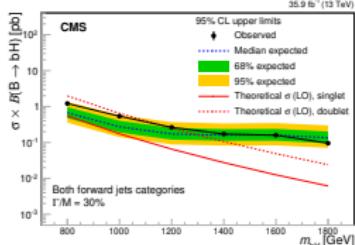
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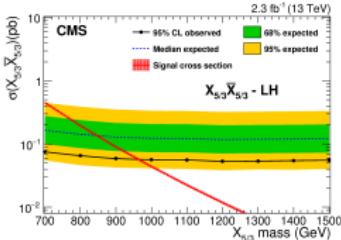


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Presentation of the results (2)

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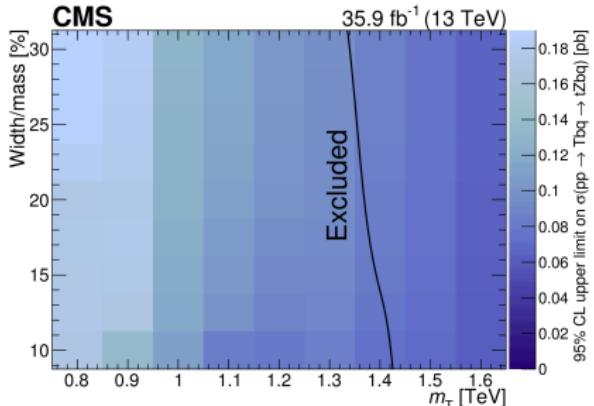
to Γ/M -dependent upper limits

↓ CMS single-T search (Phys.Lett. B781 (2018) 574-600)

Reduced cross-section table ($\hat{\sigma}$)

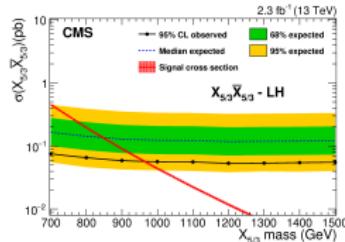
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	10%	20%	30%	10%	20%	30%
0.8	226 (0.675)	108 (0.650)	70 (0.631)	19 (0.144)	9.3 (0.139)	6.0 (0.135)
1.0	183 (0.314)	87 (0.299)	55 (0.284)	17 (0.075)	7.9 (0.072)	5.0 (0.069)
1.2	145 (0.158)	68 (0.149)	43 (0.141)	14 (0.042)	6.4 (0.039)	4.1 (0.037)
1.4	112 (0.084)	52 (0.079)	33 (0.074)	11 (0.024)	5.0 (0.022)	3.2 (0.021)
1.6	85 (0.047)	39 (0.043)	29 (0.041)	8.2 (0.014)	3.8 (0.013)	2.4 (0.012)

Upper limits colour code



Presentation of the results (3)

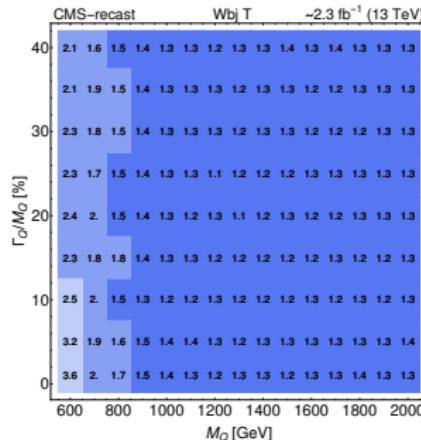
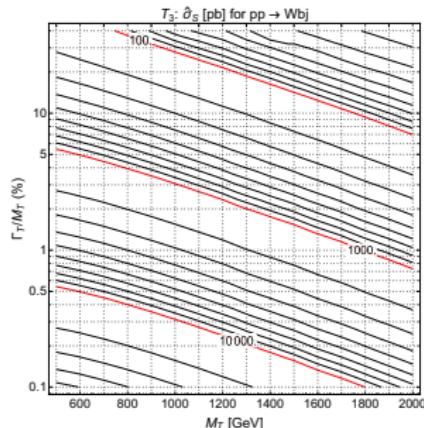
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to Γ/M -dependent upper limits

Recast (Phys.Rev. D98 (2018) no.1, 015029)

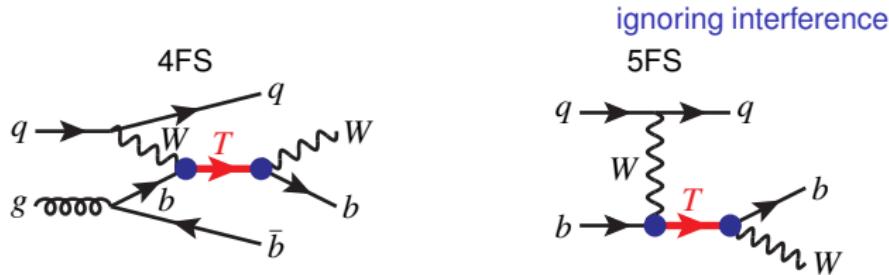
Reduced cross-section plot



Upper limits grid

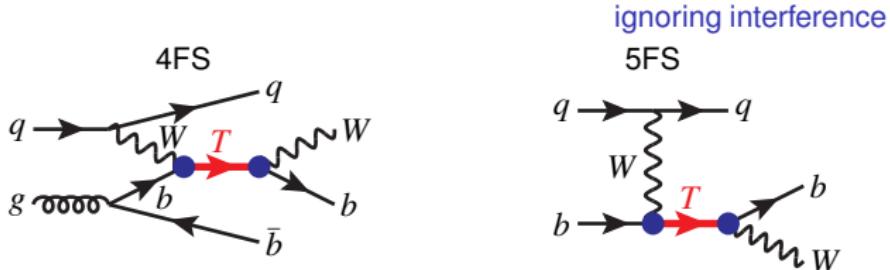
Providing limits in the M vs Γ/M plane allows for reinterpretation in a wide range of scenarios

Finite width and kinematics

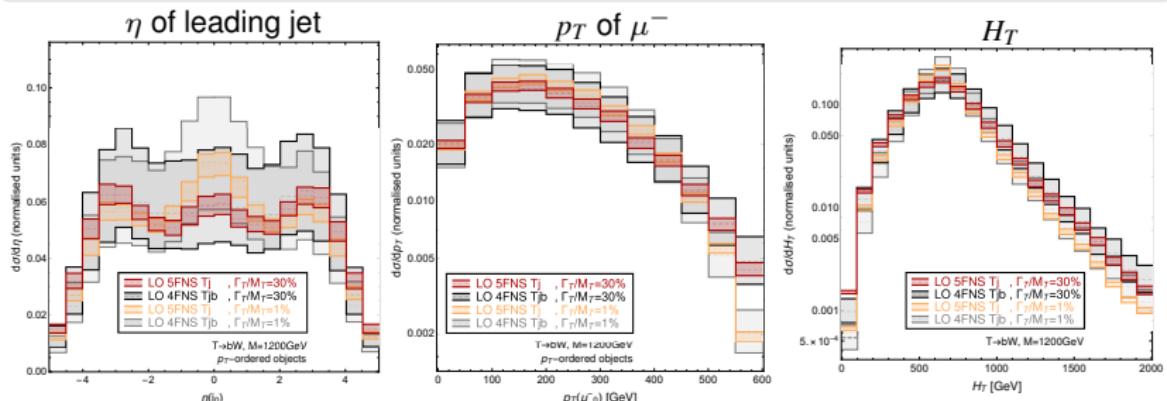


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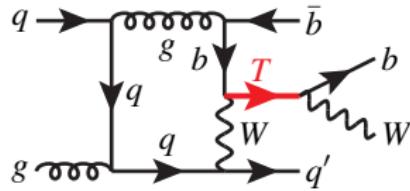
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Kinematical distributions can be sizably different in the finite width regime
what happens at NLO?

Single production of VLQs at NLO

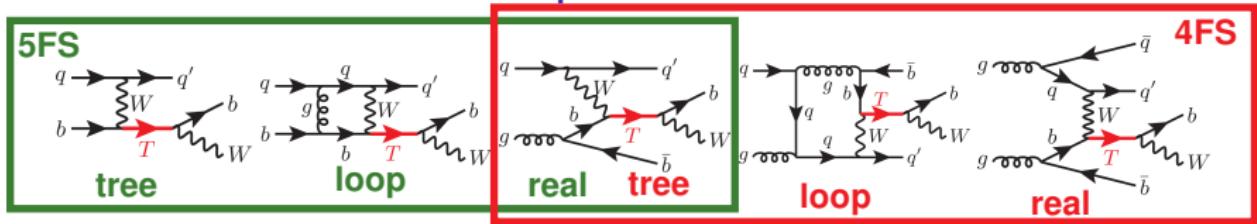
interacting only with SM states



based on

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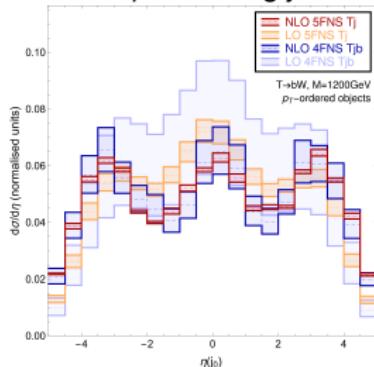
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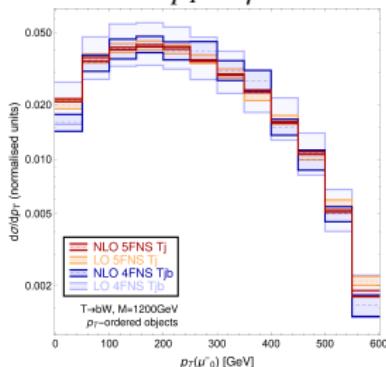
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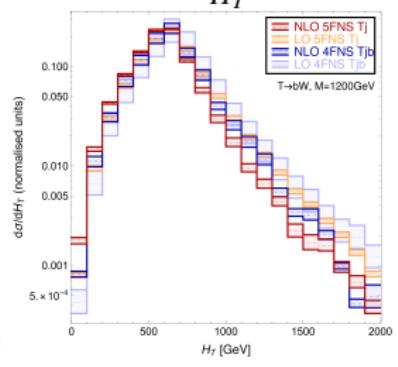
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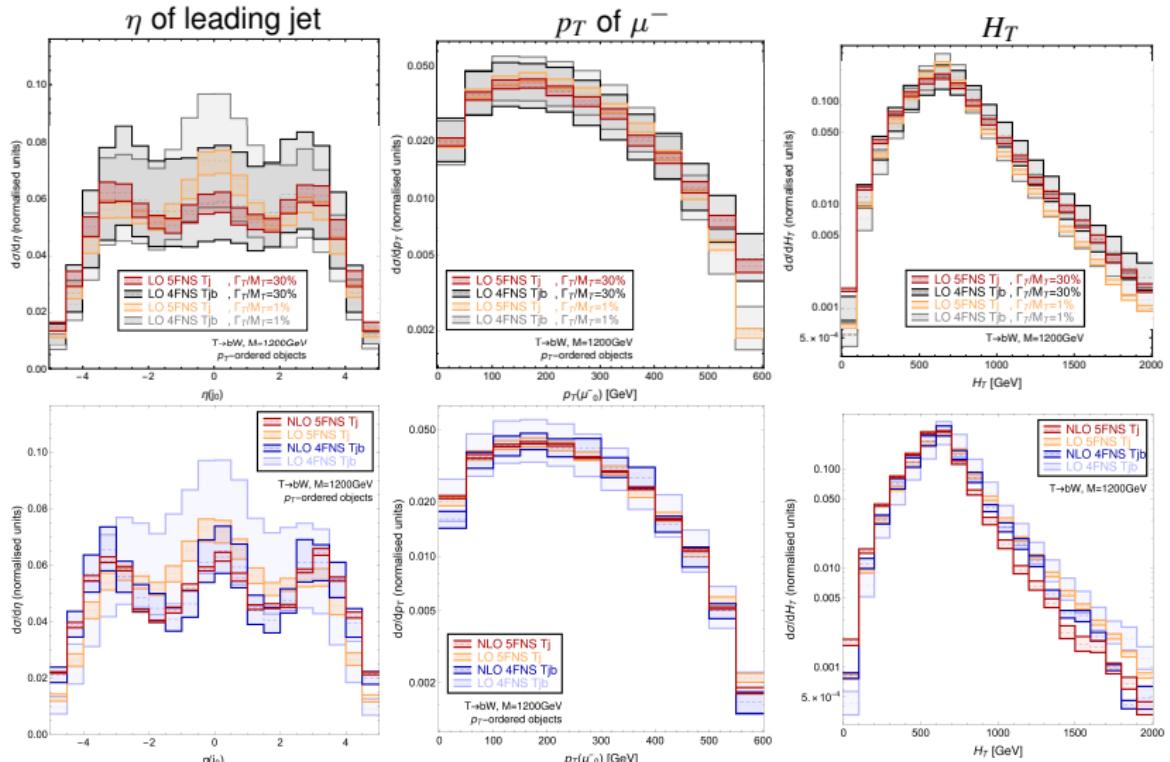


H_T



NLO corrections can significantly impact shapes

FW@LO vs NWA@NLO



What happens at NLO if the VLQ has large width?

Simulations for large width

- Simulations for large width should be done in the **complex mass scheme**, where masses are “complex quantities, defined as the location of the poles in the complex k^2 plane of the corresponding propagator with momentum k ”.

$$\mu = M(1 - i \frac{\Gamma}{M}) \text{ for every unstable particle}$$

A. Denner, S. Dittmaier, M. Roth and D. Wackerlohe, Nucl. Phys. B **560** (1999) 33
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- Consistent and gauge invariant**

The complex mass scheme can be set at LO in MadGraph
but not at NLO yet for the VLQ UFO model

NLO Single production of VLQs with large width

Work in progress with B. Fuks and H.S. Shao

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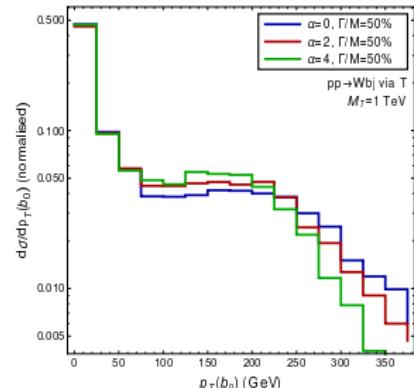
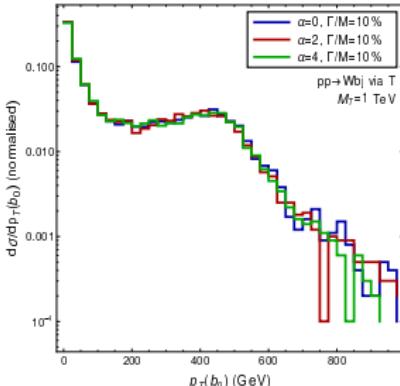
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Preliminary results



Conclusions

Single production of VLQs with finite width interacting with the SM

- Finite width effects can be **sizable**
- Model-independent parametrisation in terms of **mass** and **width-to-mass ratio**
- **UFO model available** for generation of signal and interference studies in the finite width regime and for NLO studies in the NWA

Ongoing studies for analysis of NLO effects in the finite width regime

Backup

Exotic decays of VLQs

finite width effects



based on

R. Benbrik, E. B. Kuutmann, D. B. Franzosi, V. Ellajosyula, R. Enberg, G. Ferretti

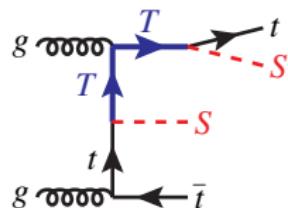
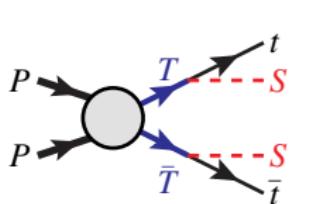
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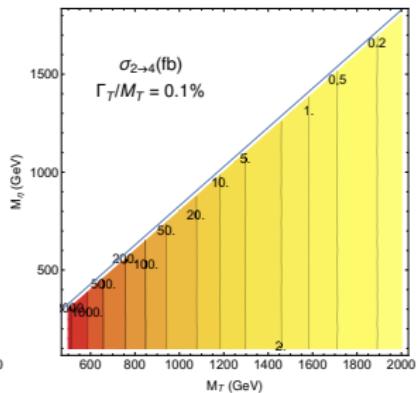
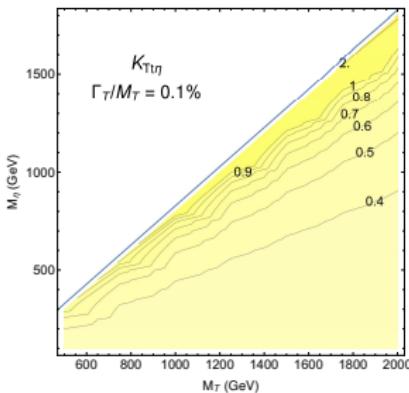
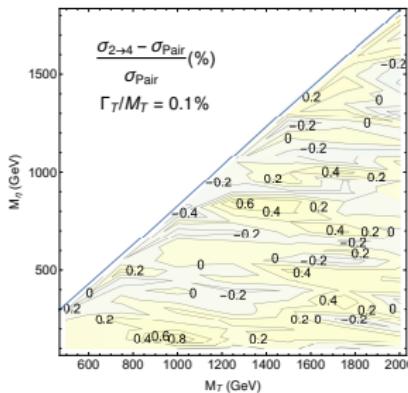


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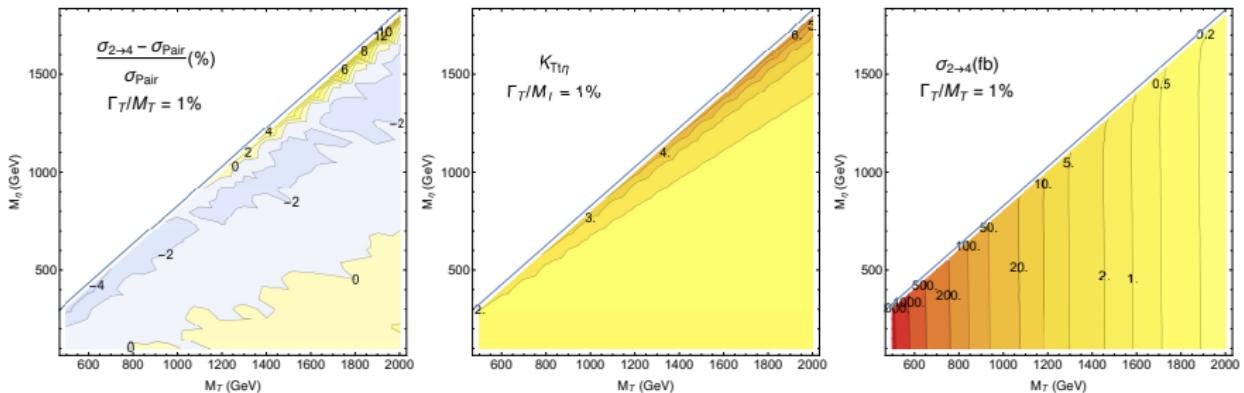


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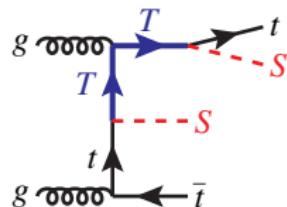
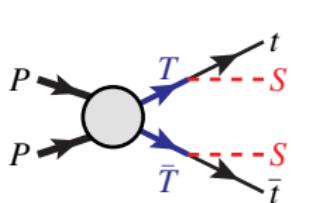


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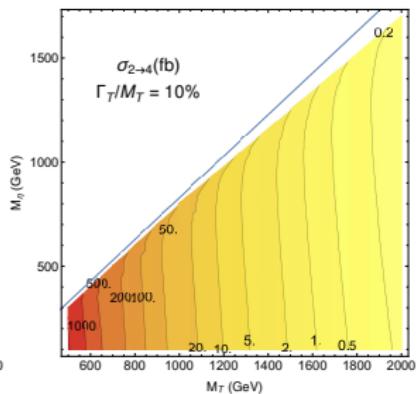
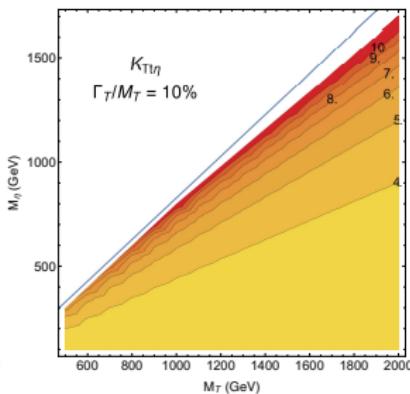
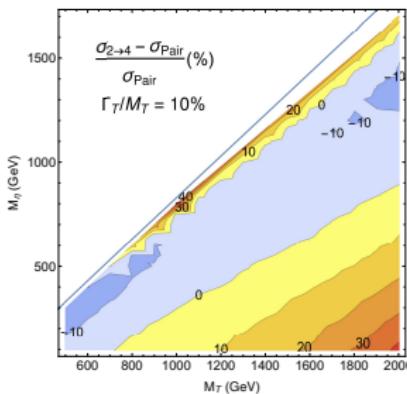


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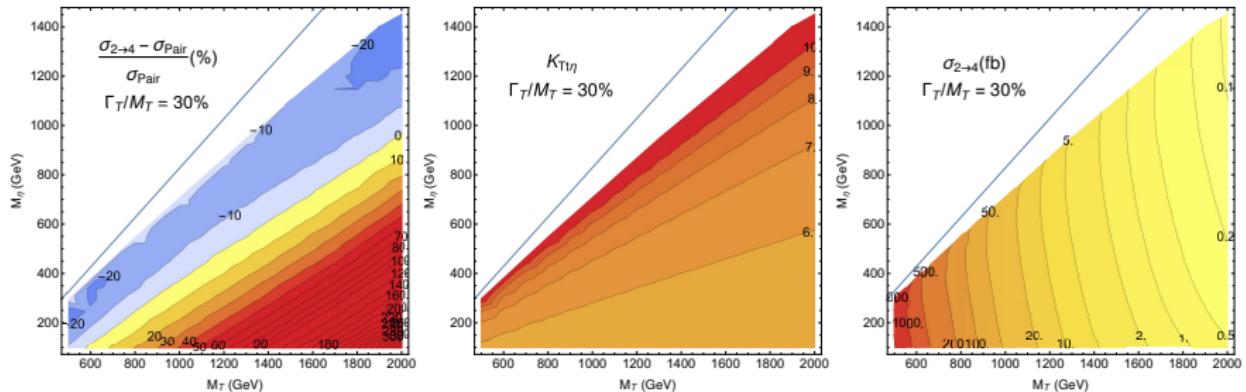


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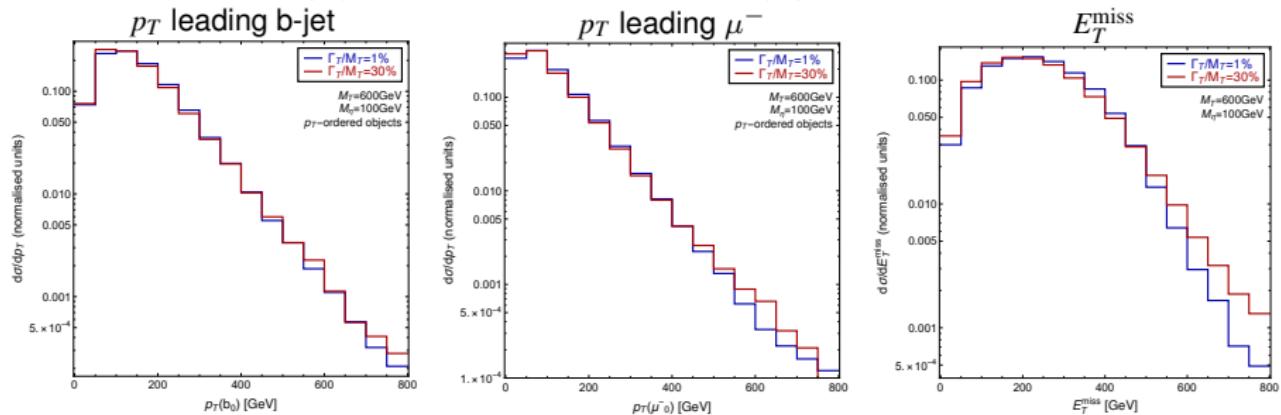
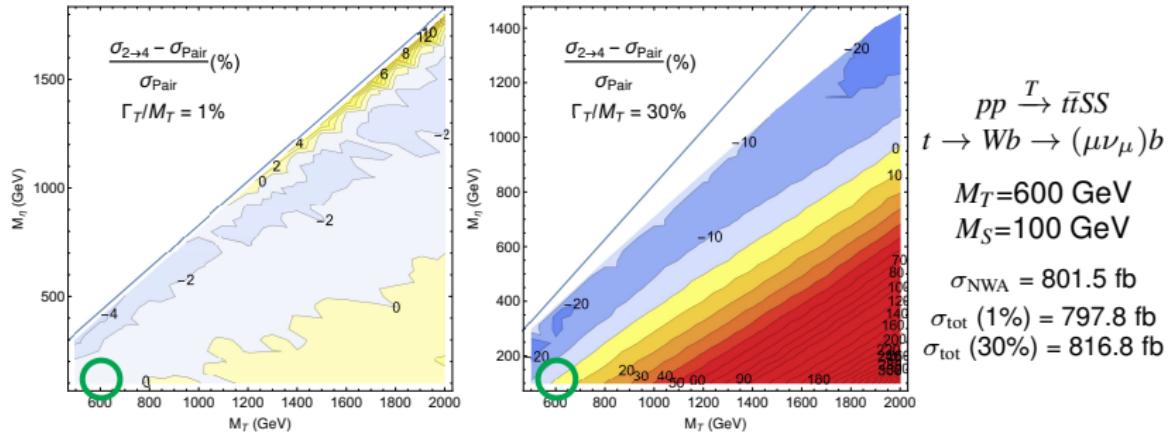


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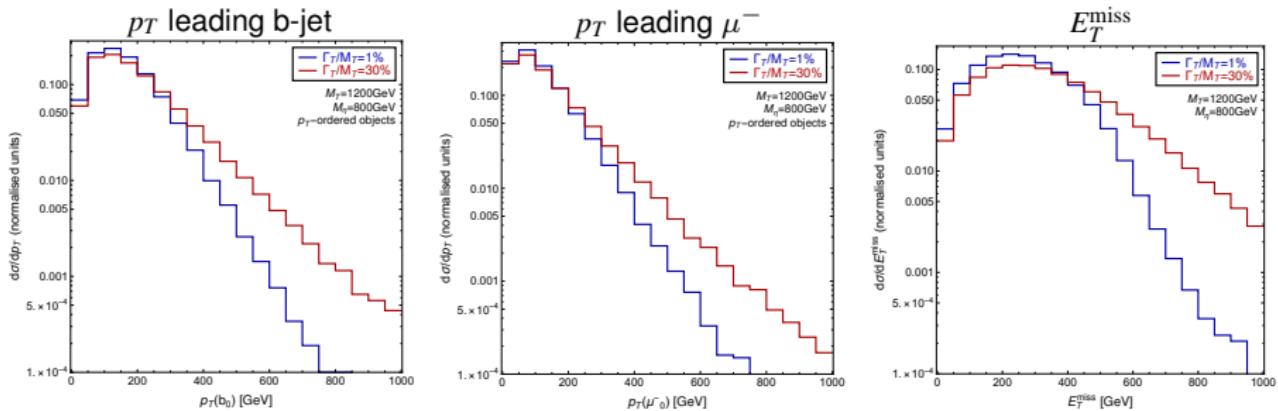
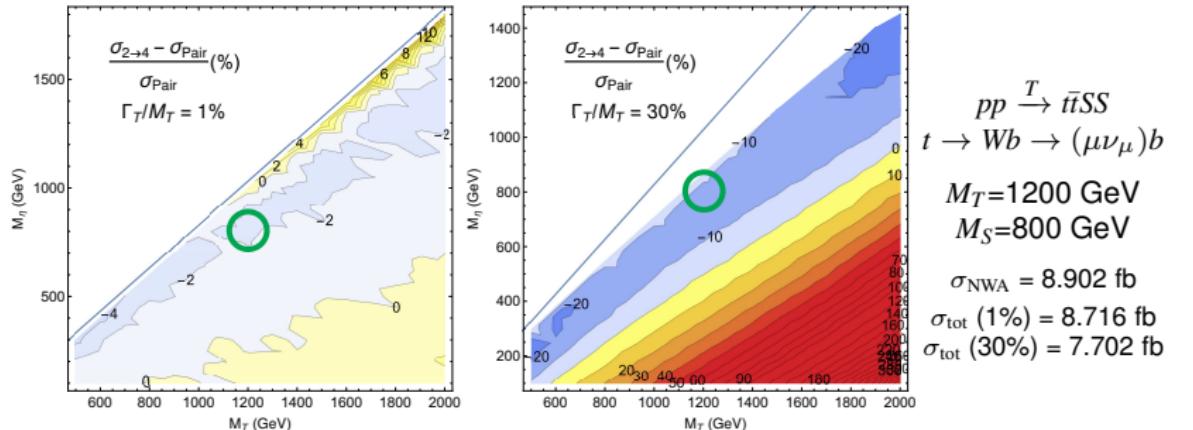
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Kinematics in the finite width regime



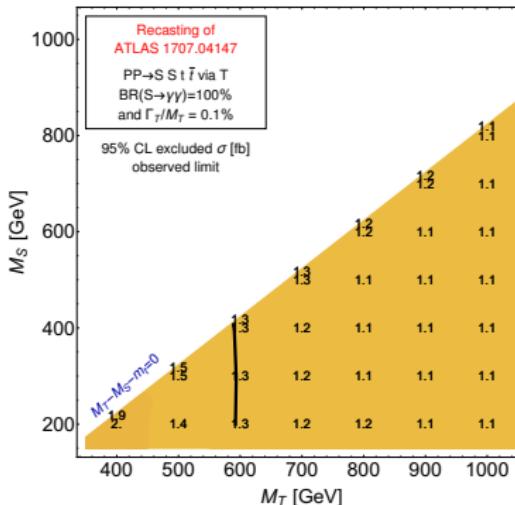
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Presentation of the results

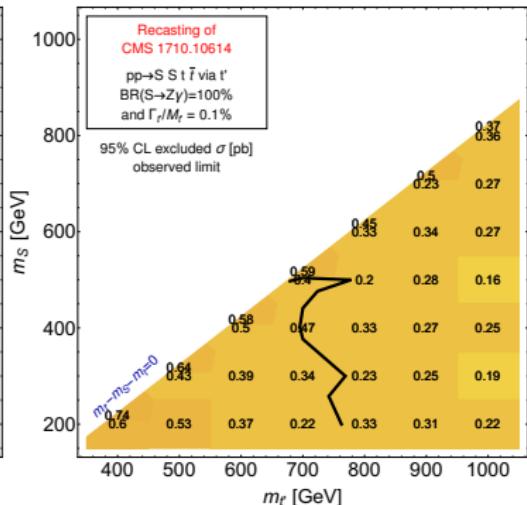
Recast of two ATLAS searches

$pp \rightarrow T\bar{T} \rightarrow (St)(S\bar{t})$



Example with T and two S decays

$\gamma\gamma, \gamma Z$



If the T has a finite width, analogous plots for different Γ/M values



Solving the Higgs fine tuning with top partners

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ATLAS members in Uppsala: Elin Bergeås Kuutmann, Venugopal Ellajosyula, Thomas Mathisen

Theory members in Uppsala: Rikard Enberg, Tanumoy Mandal, Luca Panizzi

- Aim: widen the searches for physics beyond the SM that solves the Higgs fine-tuning problem
- Three different and complementary tracks:
 - 1) Direct searches for the scalar top squarks in SUSY
 - 2) Direct searches for the vector-like top quarks in compositeness models
 - 3) Indirect searches for top partners which are not kinematically accessible at the LHC energies
- Strengthen collaboration between experimental and theoretical particle physicists in Sweden
- Construct non-minimal simplified:
 - SUSY models for direct searches for stops
 - compositeness models for direct searches for vector-like quarks
- Quantify ATLAS' current sensitivity to these models and if still viable, search for them with Run 2 and early Run 3 data
- Construct optimal observables for indirect searches of top partners and use them in analyses of Run 2 and early Run 3 data.

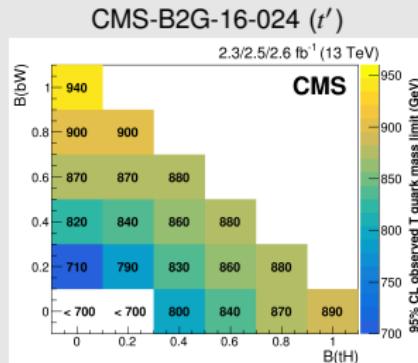


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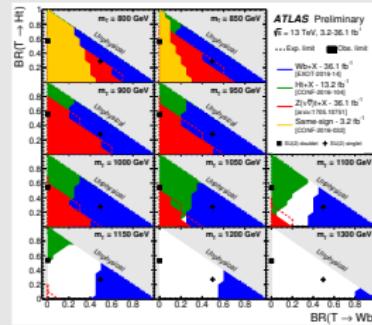
Vector-like quarks in many models of New Physics

- Warped or universal **extra-dimensions**: KK excitations of bulk fields
- **Composite Higgs** models: excited resonances of the bound states which form SM particles
- **Little Higgs** models: partners of SM fermions in larger group representations which ensure the cancellation of divergent loops
- Non-minimal **SUSY extensions**: increase corrections to Higgs mass without affecting EWPT

Intense experimental effort



ATLAS twiki: summary plots (t')



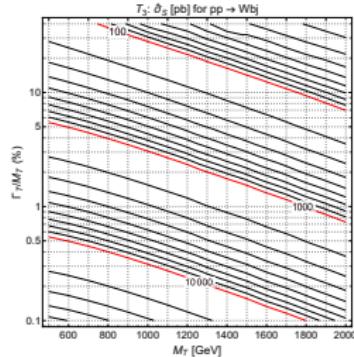
Characterising VLQ properties if a discovery is made would be essential for embedding them into some scenarios (and exclude others!)

Interference

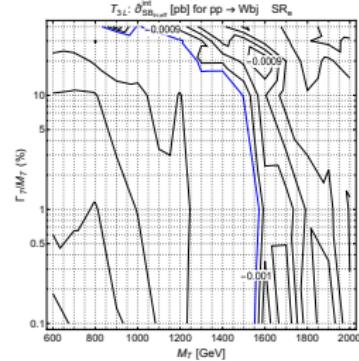
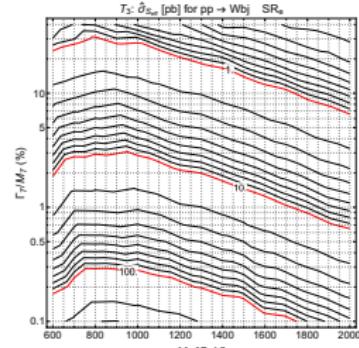
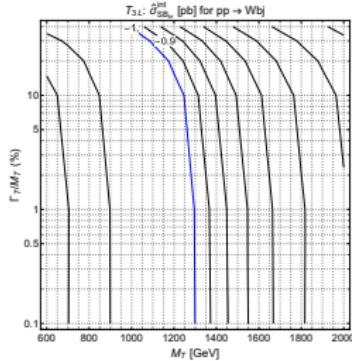
Recast of CMS-B2G-16-006

Folding search efficiencies into the reduced cross-section:

Signal



**Interference
with SM**



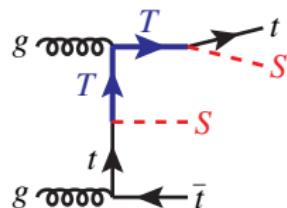
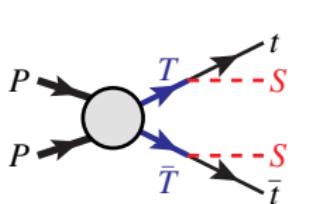
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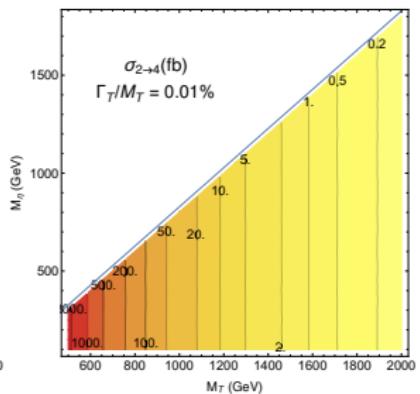
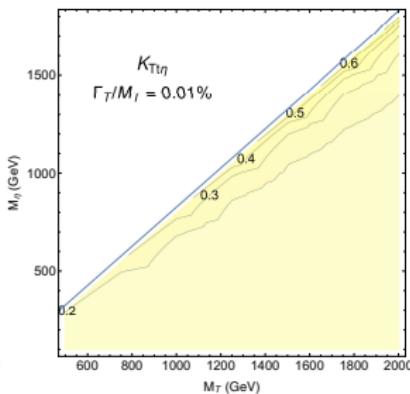
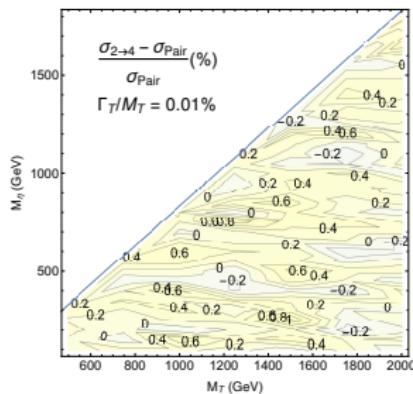
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$$\sigma_{\bar{t}SS}(C_{TSS}, M_T, m_S, \Gamma_T^{tot}(C_{decays}, M_T, m_{decays}),) = C_{TSS}^4 \hat{\sigma}_{\bar{t}SS}(M_T, m_S, \Gamma_T^{tot}) \xrightarrow{\frac{\Gamma_T^{tot}}{M_T} \rightarrow 0} \sigma_{T\bar{T}}(M_T) BR(T \rightarrow tS)^2$$

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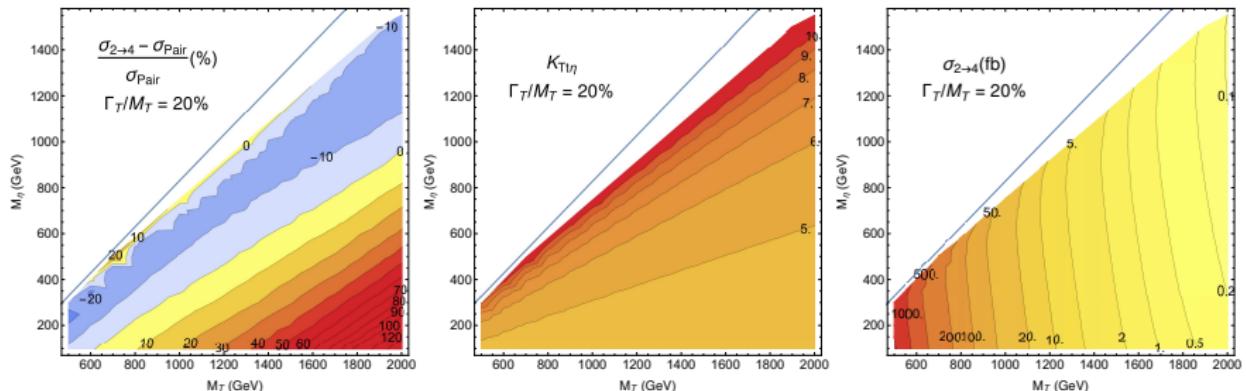


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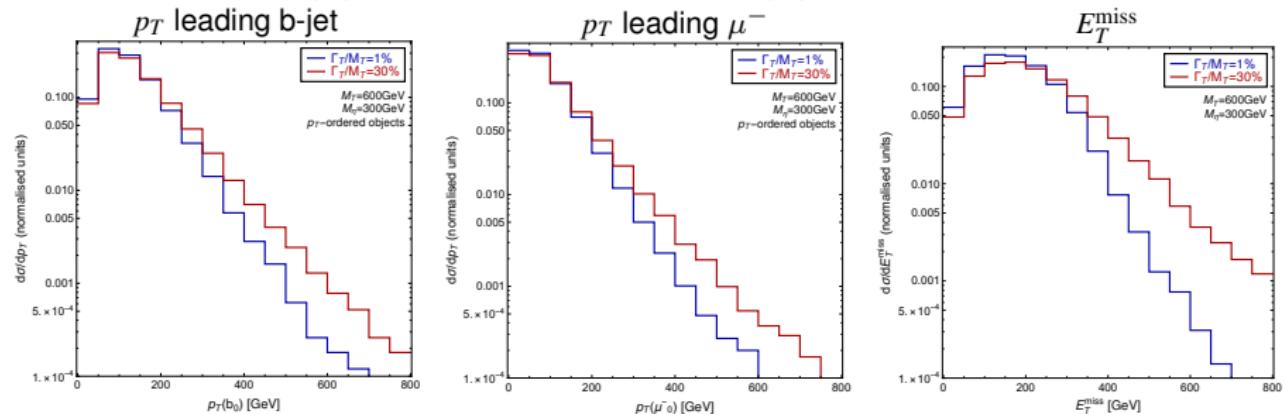
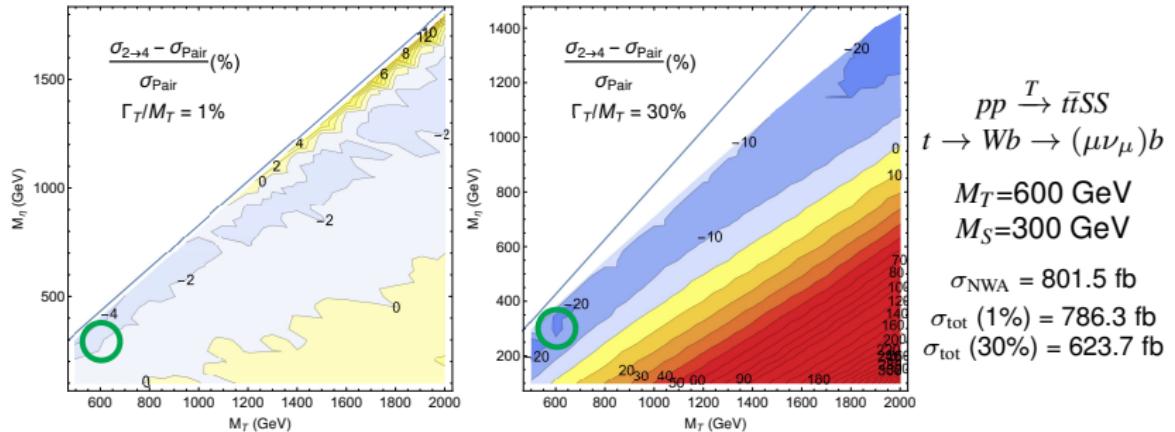


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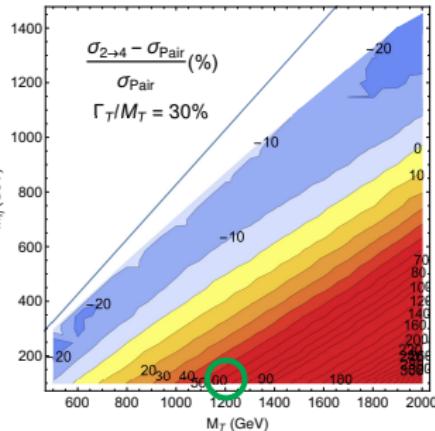
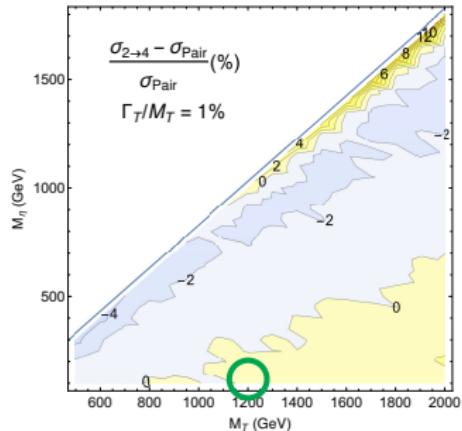
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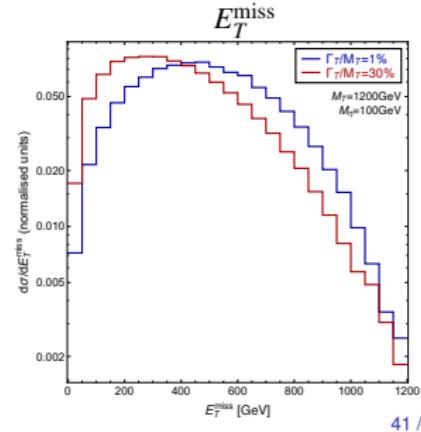
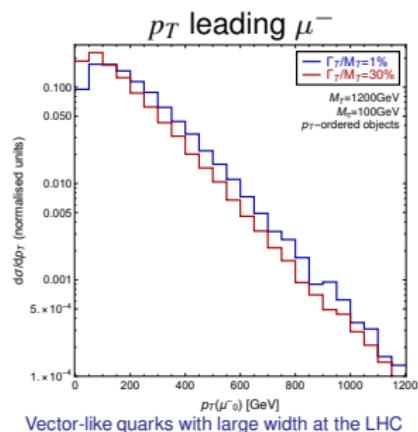
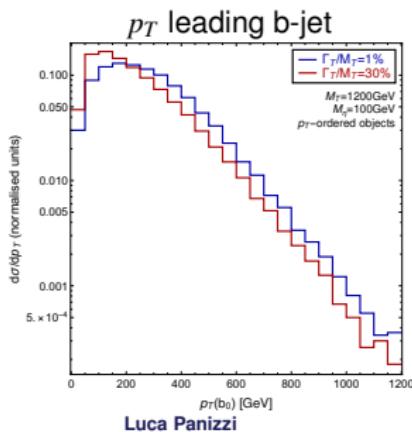
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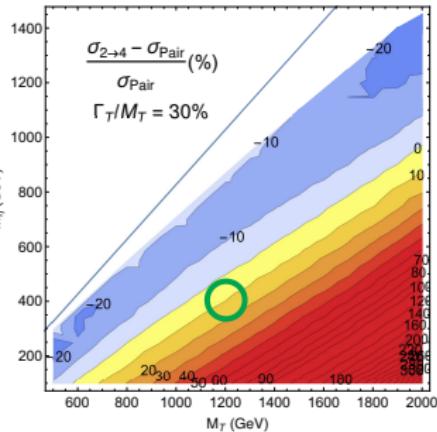
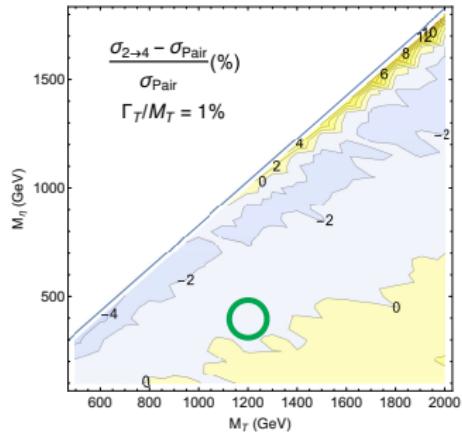
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$pp \xrightarrow{T} t\bar{t}SS$
 $t \rightarrow Wb \rightarrow (\mu\nu_\mu)b$
 $M_T = 1200 \text{ GeV}$
 $M_S = 100 \text{ GeV}$
 $\sigma_{\text{NWA}} = 8.902 \text{ fb}$
 $\sigma_{\text{tot}} (1\%) = 8.944 \text{ fb}$
 $\sigma_{\text{tot}} (30\%) = 14.75 \text{ fb}$



Kinematics in the finite width regime



$pp \xrightarrow{T} t\bar{t}SS$
 $t \rightarrow Wb \rightarrow (\mu\nu_\mu)b$
 $M_T = 1200 \text{ GeV}$
 $M_S = 400 \text{ GeV}$
 $\sigma_{\text{NWA}} = 8.902 \text{ fb}$
 $\sigma_{\text{tot}} (1\%) = 8.862 \text{ fb}$
 $\sigma_{\text{tot}} (30\%) = 9.852 \text{ fb}$

