

Searching for a flavor changing decay $t \rightarrow c h$ at the LHC

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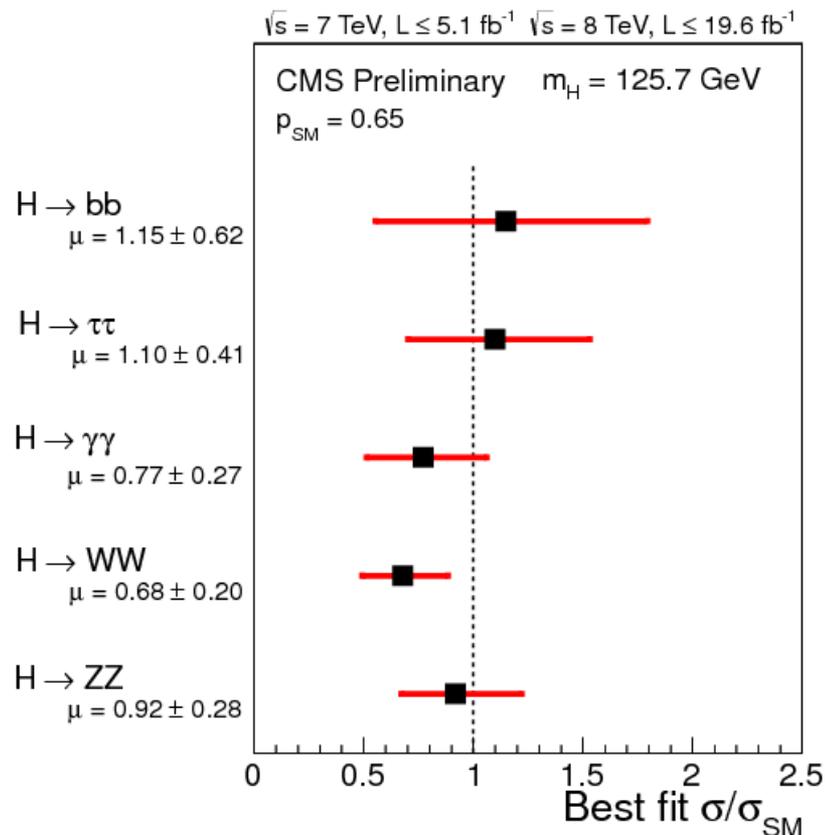
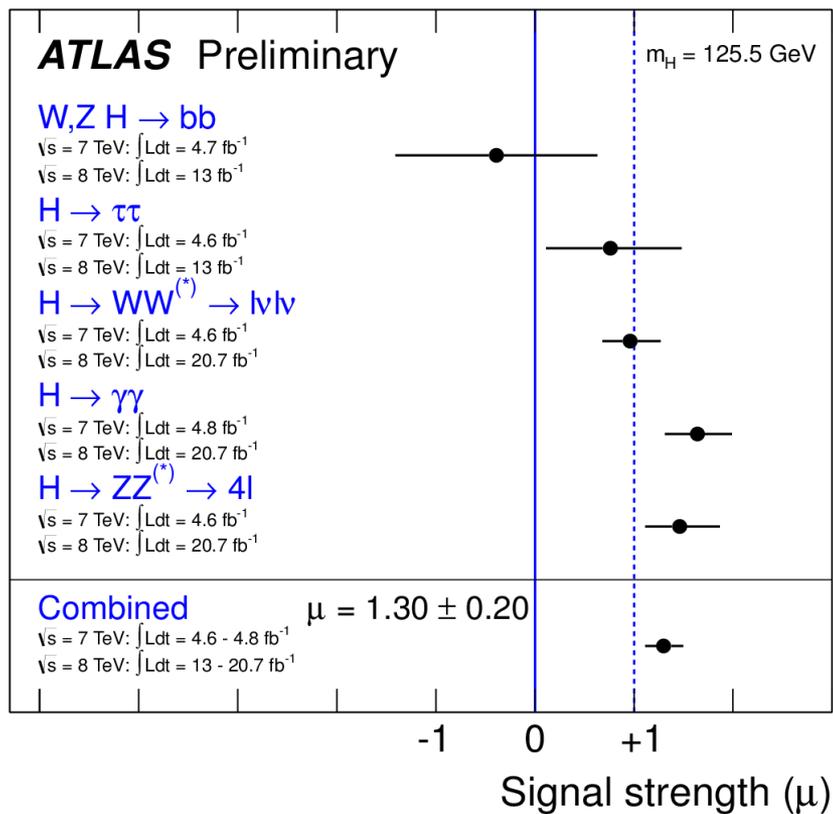
Historical discovery of a new boson with mass ~ 126 GeV at LHC in 2012



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So far, consistent with the SM Higgs boson

- ATLAS & CMS results with 7 TeV & 8 TeV data



But, not the end of the story

- The 126 GeV boson is the genuine Higgs boson of the standard model?
- Any other Higgs bosons, like repetition of quarks and leptons?

This talk: **Two Higgs Doublet Model**

Two Higgs Doublet Model with general Yukawa interactions (Type-III 2HDM)

- Flavor-Changing-Neutral-Higgs (FCNH) interactions (tree level)

e.g., $\lambda_{ds} h \bar{d}s$ $\lambda_{ct} h \bar{c}t$

- FCNH in d-type sector is severely constrained by flavor phys.
- In usual Type-II 2HDM, absent due to discrete symmetry

S.L. Glashow and S. Weinberg (1977)

- A way to control FCNH in 2HDM-III: Cheng-Sher ansatz

$$\lambda_{ij} \sim \frac{\sqrt{m_i m_j}}{v} \times (\text{mixing angle})$$

T.P. Cheng and M. Sher (1987)

- suppressed d-type FCNH, but allow **large h-t-c coupling!**

- **Our approach:** consider large h-t-c coupling, but not assume CS

- FCNH couplings are free parameters ← constrained by data
- also motivated by BaBar anomaly in $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$ decay (discussed later)

$t \rightarrow c h$ decay

W.-S. Hou (1992)

- Immediate consequence of large h-t-c coupling & 126 GeV (SM-like) Higgs boson (h) is $t \rightarrow c h$ decay

$$\frac{\Gamma(t \rightarrow ch)}{\Gamma(t \rightarrow bW)} \simeq 0.57 |\lambda_{ct}|^2$$

$\Gamma(t \rightarrow ch)$: LO
 $\Gamma(t \rightarrow bW)$: NLO

- In SM, loop-induced $t \rightarrow c h$ is highly suppressed by GIM & CKM

$$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow ch) \simeq 3 \times 10^{-15}$$

J.A. Aguilar-Saavedra (2004)

- So, $t \rightarrow c h$ is a good place to see New Physics

Plan of this talk

- Introduction
- Type-III Two Higgs Doublet Model (2HDM-III)
- Flavor Physics in 2HDM-III
 - BaBar anomaly in $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$
- $t \rightarrow c h$ search at the LHC
- Summary and discussion

Type-III Two Higgs Doublet Model

Following, Mahmoudi and Stal, PRD (2010)

- introduce two Higgs doublets Φ_1, Φ_2 with VEVs:

$$\langle \Phi_1 \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \langle \Phi_2 \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_2/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

- most general Yukawa interaction terms (quark sector)

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = -\overline{Q'_L}(\eta_1^d \Phi_1 + \eta_2^d \Phi_2)d'_R - \overline{Q'_L}(\eta_1^u \tilde{\Phi}_1 + \eta_2^u \tilde{\Phi}_2)u'_R + \text{H.c.}$$

- can choose other basis for Φ_1, Φ_2 via a rotation in “Higgs space”

$$\begin{pmatrix} \Phi'_1 \\ \Phi'_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Phi_1 \\ \Phi_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\tan \beta = v_2/v_1$ depends on basis, thus, not physical parameter
- This rotation is not allowed in 2HDM-II due to Z_2 -symmetry

Yukawa terms in Higgs basis

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free parameters
(non-diagonal in general)

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CP-even Higgs: h, H CP-odd Higgs: A Charged Higgs: H⁺

- assume h is the 126 GeV boson
- physical mixing parameter (keep Type-II notation)

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Decoupling limit

Gunion and Haber, PRD (2003)

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$$s_{\beta-\alpha} \equiv \sin(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 1 \quad c_{\beta-\alpha} \equiv \cos(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 0$$

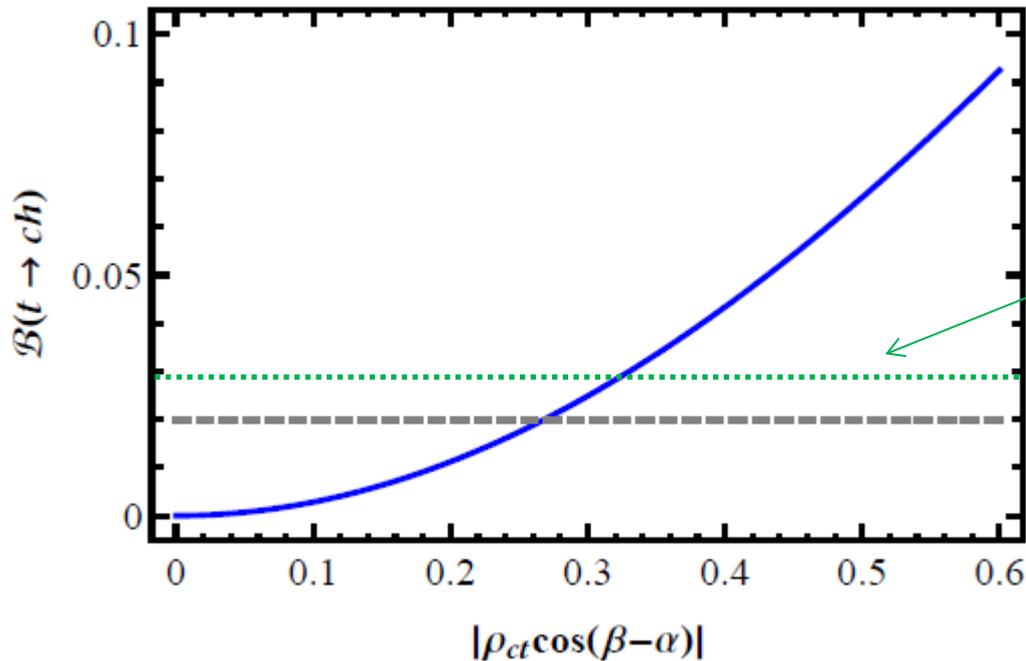
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 \end{aligned}$$

- No FCNH coupling for “SM Higgs boson” h
- Only extra scalars, H, A, H⁺ have FCNH couplings

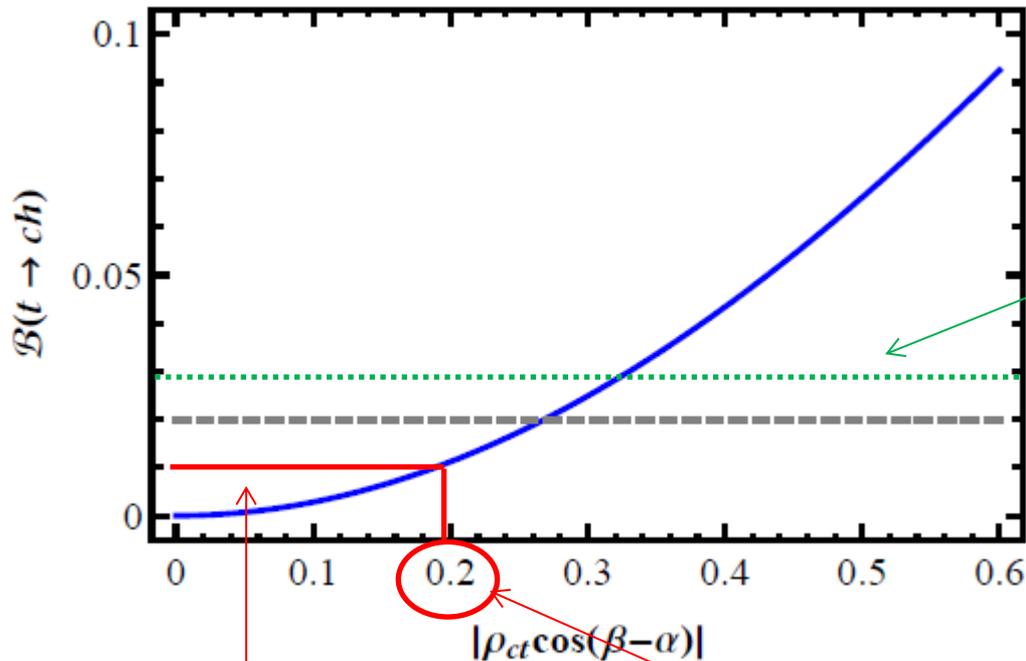
- We keep finite $c_{\beta-\alpha}$ to study $t \rightarrow ch$

$B(t \rightarrow c h)$ in 2HDM-III



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Our target: $B(t \rightarrow ch) \sim 1\%$

[Fiducial values]

$$\rho_{ct} \sim 1 \quad \cos(\beta - \alpha) = 0.2$$
$$\sin(\beta - \alpha) \simeq 0.98$$

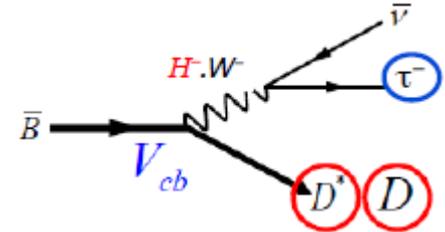
Flavor Physics in 2HDM-III

BaBar anomaly in $B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu$

BaBar, PRL (2012)

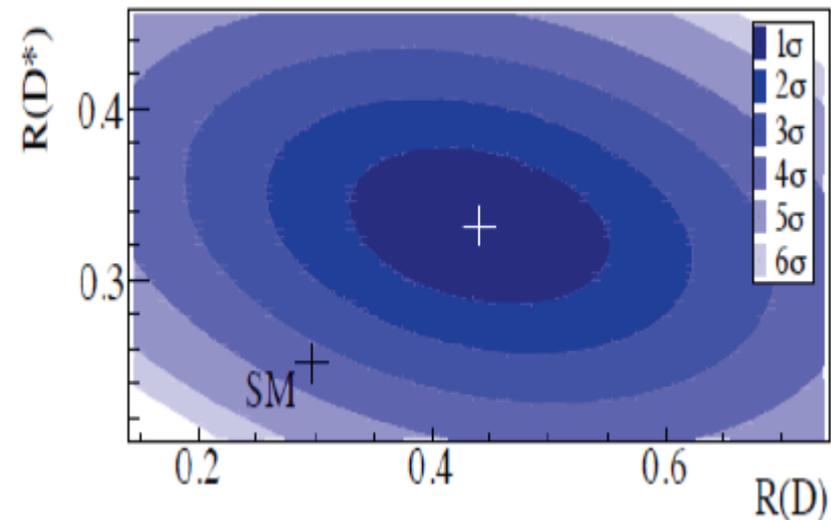
- measured quantities

$$\mathcal{R}(D) = \frac{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D \tau^- \bar{\nu})}{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D \ell^- \bar{\nu})} \quad \mathcal{R}(D^*) = \frac{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \tau^- \bar{\nu})}{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^* \ell^- \bar{\nu})} \quad \ell = e \text{ or } \mu$$



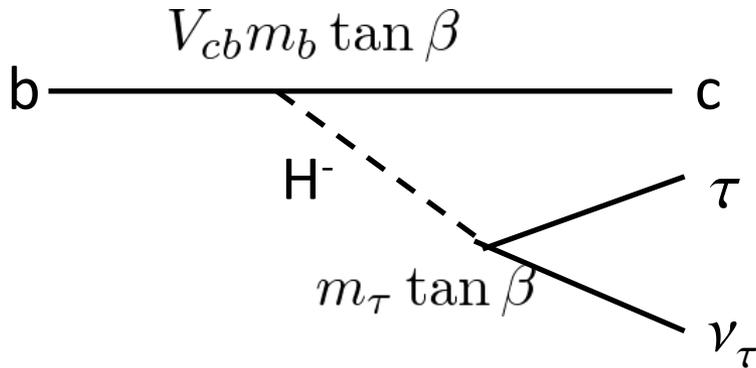
- both $\mathcal{R}(D)$ and $\mathcal{R}(D^*)$ deviate from SM prediction

	$\mathcal{R}(D)$	$\mathcal{R}(D^*)$
BABAR	0.440 ± 0.071	0.332 ± 0.029
SM	0.297 ± 0.017	0.252 ± 0.003
Difference	2.0σ	2.7σ

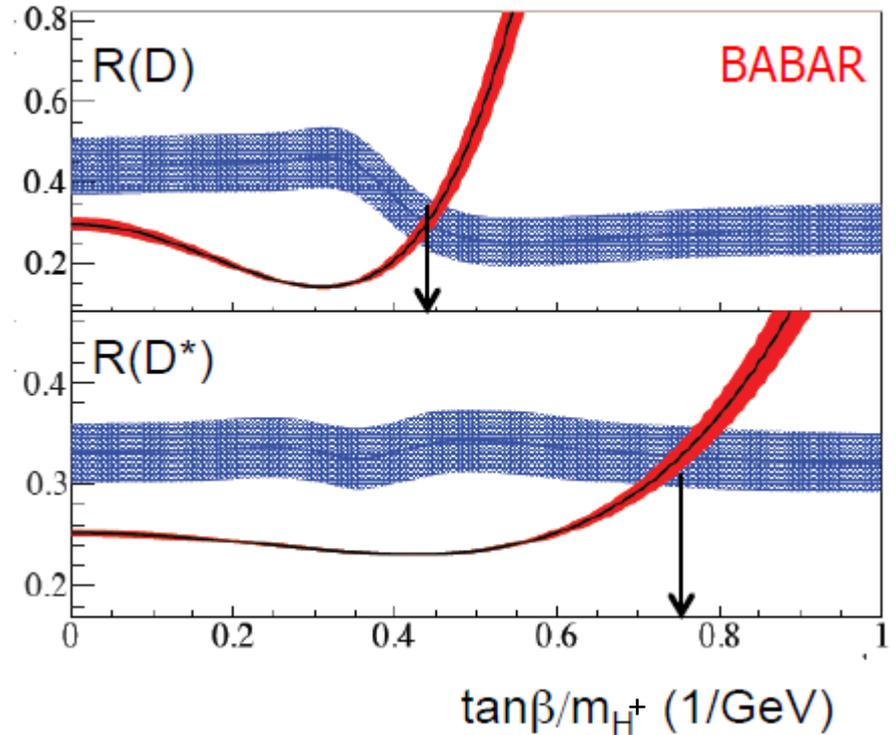


combo: 3.4σ deviation from SM

Implication for Type-II 2HDM



- each data match 2HDM-II at
 - $\tan \beta / m_{H^+} = 0.44 \pm 0.02$ for $R(D)$
 - $\tan \beta / m_{H^+} = 0.75 \pm 0.04$ for $R(D^*)$

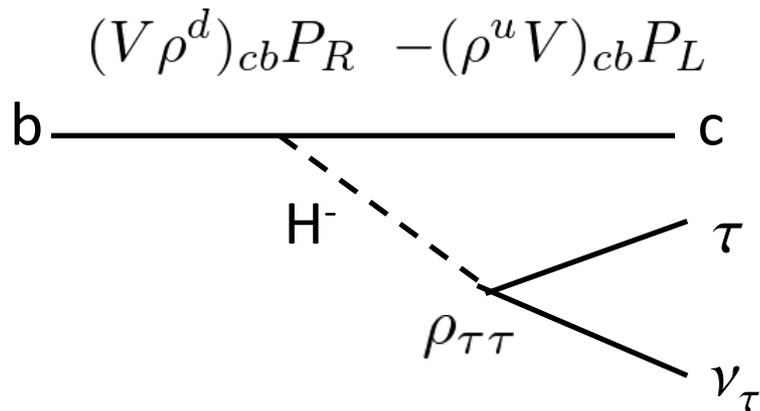


- however, the combination of $R(D)$ and $R(D^*)$ **excludes 2HDM-II with 99.8% C.L.!** [assuming $m_{H^+} > 10$ GeV]

Explain BaBar anomaly by Type-III 2HDM

Fajfer, Kamenik, Nisandzic and Zupan, PRL(2012)

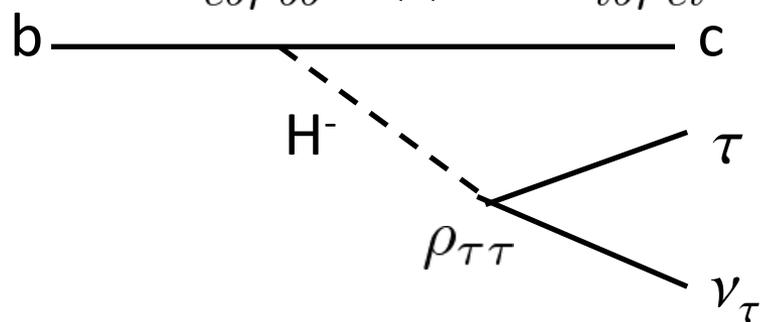
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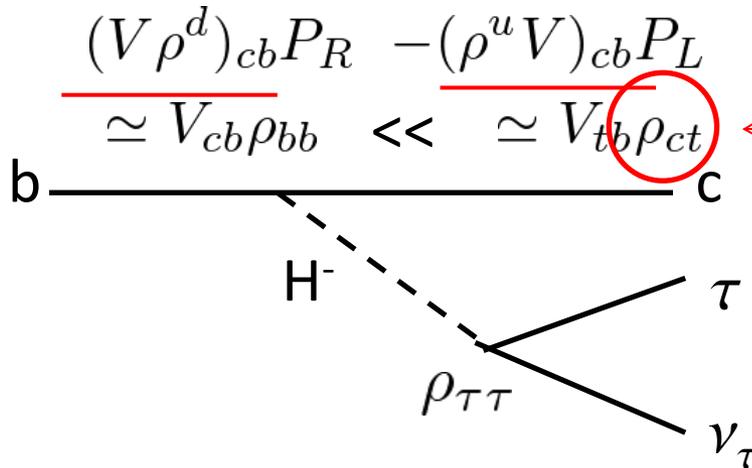
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$$\frac{(V \rho^d)_{cb} P_R}{\simeq V_{cb} \rho_{bb}} \ll \frac{-(\rho^u V)_{cb} P_L}{\simeq V_{tb} \rho_{ct}}$$


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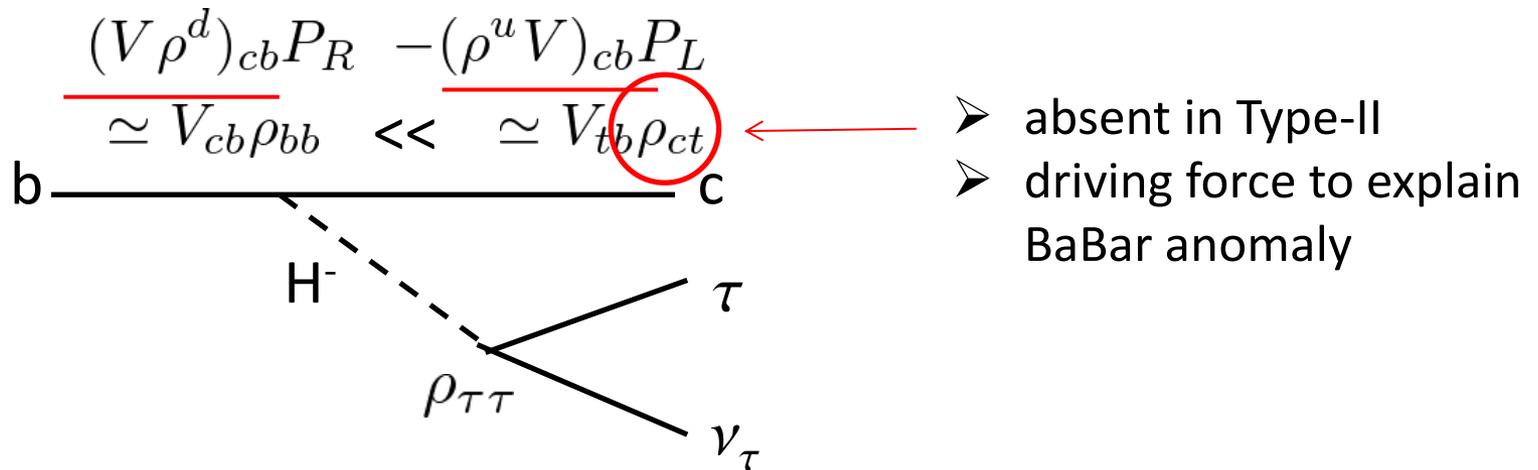
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- absent in Type-II
- driving force to explain BaBar anomaly

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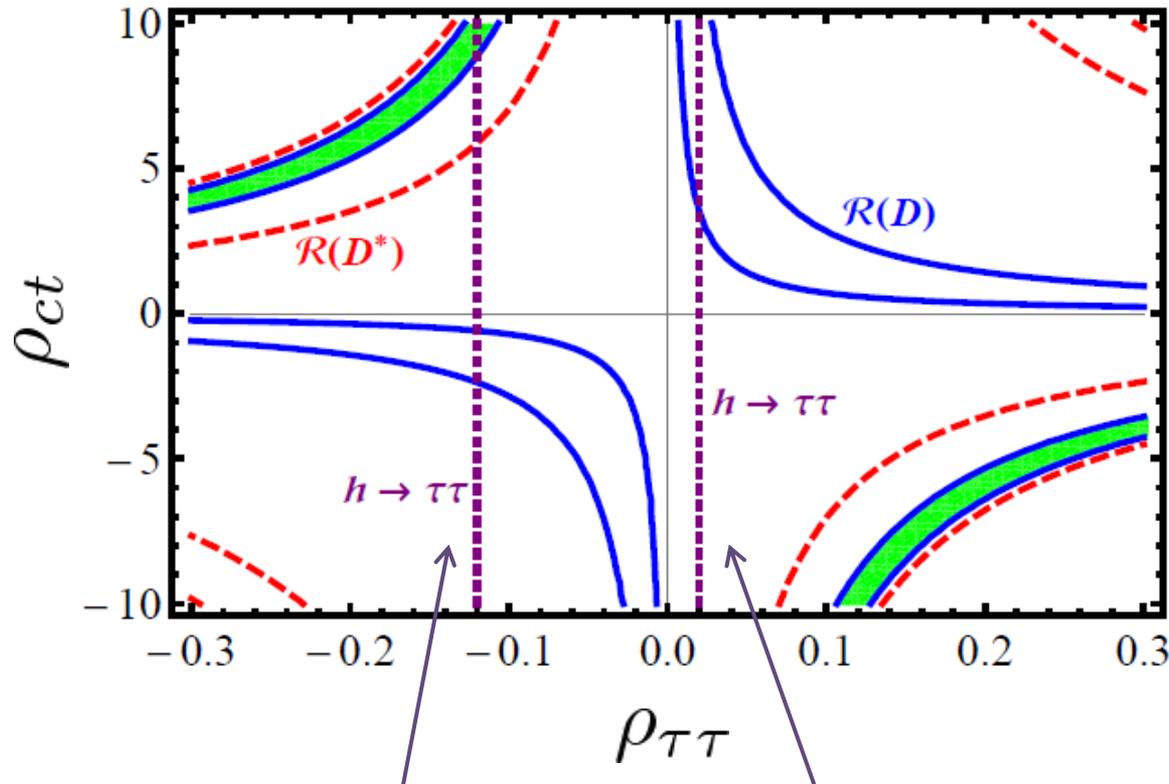
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- CGK adopted: $\rho_{\tau\tau} = -\tan \beta \sqrt{2} m_\tau / v \simeq -0.5$ $\tan \beta = 50$ $M_{H^+} = 500$ GeV
 - ➔ found solution for $\rho_{ct} \sim 1$
 - x50 larger compared to $\kappa_{\tau\tau} \sim 0.01$
 - $h\tau\tau$ coupling $\propto \kappa_{\tau\tau} s_{\beta-\alpha} + \rho_{\tau\tau} c_{\beta-\alpha}$
 - ➔ need to take decoupling limit to be consistent with $h \rightarrow \tau\tau$ data

More general allowed region

Chen, Hou, Kao and MK, arXiv:1304.8037



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$$m_{H^+} = 700 \text{ GeV}$$

1σ allowed region

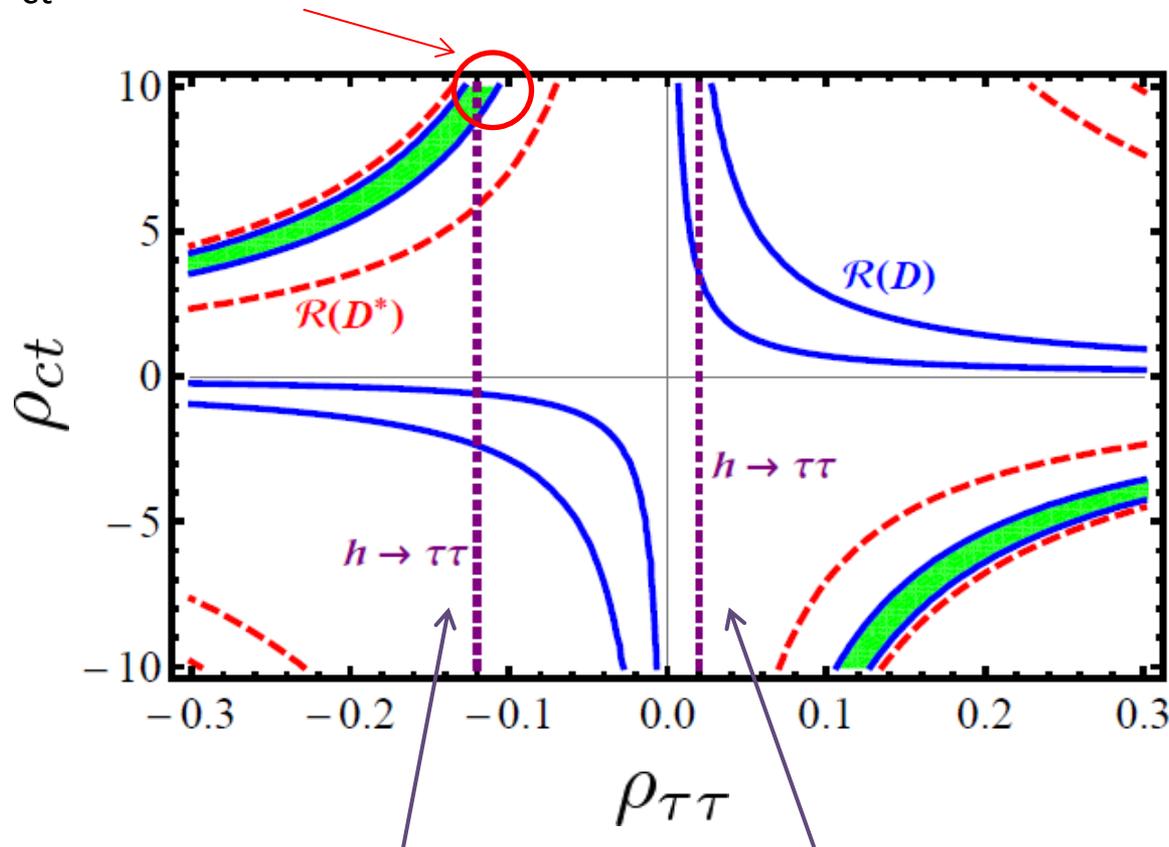
bound from $h \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (VBF) data (within a factor of 2 from SM at 95%CL)

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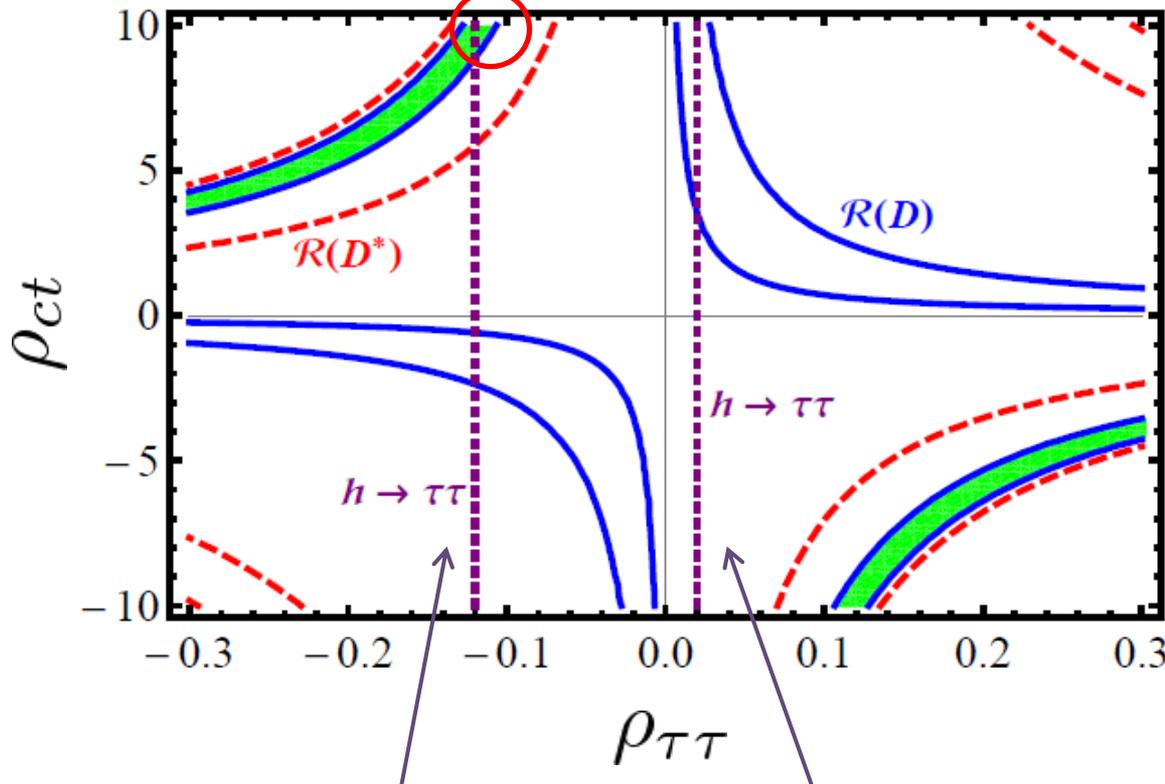
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Detach from BaBar anomaly

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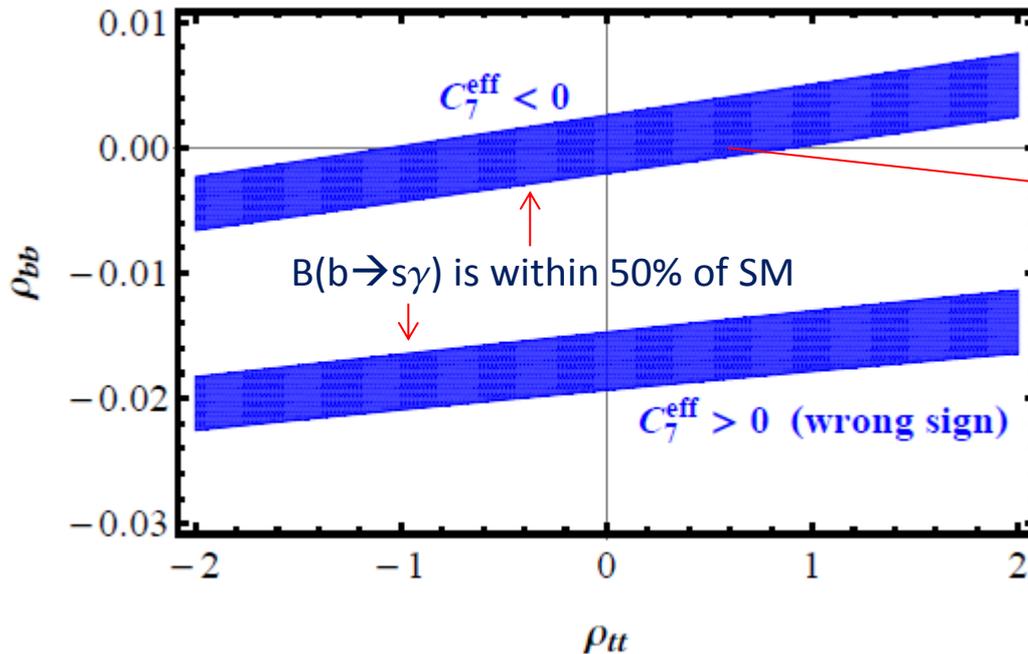
$b \rightarrow s\gamma$ bound with $\rho_{ct} = 1$

Notation follows, Ciuchini et al., NPB (1998)

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}}V_{ts}^*V_{tb}C_7Q_7 + \dots \quad Q_7 = \frac{e}{16\pi^2}m_b(\bar{s}_L\sigma^{\mu\nu}b_R)F_{\mu\nu}.$$

$$\delta C_{7,8}(\mu_W) \simeq \frac{1}{3} \left(\rho_{tt} + \frac{V_{cs}^*}{V_{ts}^*} \rho_{ct} \right) \left(\rho_{tt}^* + \frac{V_{cb}}{V_{tb}} \rho_{ct}^* \right) \frac{F_{7,8}^{(1)}(y)}{2m_t^2/v^2} - \left(\rho_{tt} + \frac{V_{cs}^*}{V_{ts}^*} \rho_{ct} \right) \rho_{bb} \frac{F_{7,8}^{(2)}(y)}{2m_t m_b/v^2}$$

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CKM enhanced

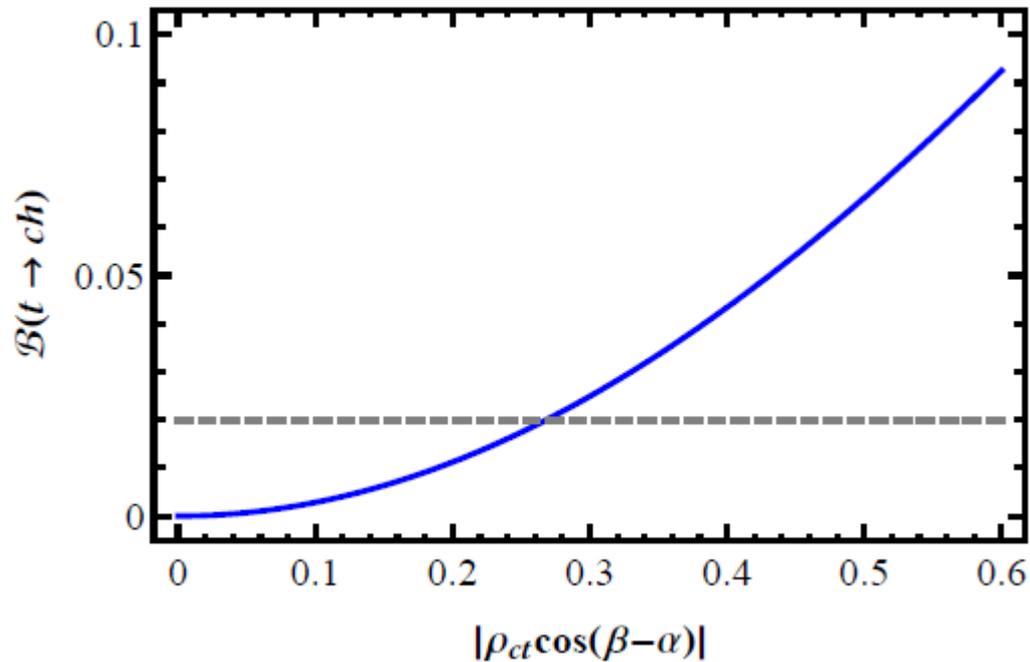
$\rho_{ct} \sim 1 \rightarrow$ tiny ρ_{bb}

$|\rho_{bb}| \lesssim 0.01$

cf. $\kappa_{bb} \simeq 0.02$

\rightarrow hbb coupling is SM-like

$t \rightarrow c h$ search at the LHC



Search for $t \rightarrow c h$ in top-anti-top events

- $t\bar{t}$ production cross section is large

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 220 \text{ pb} \quad [\text{LHC8}] \quad \text{Czakon and Mitov, JHEP (2013)}$$

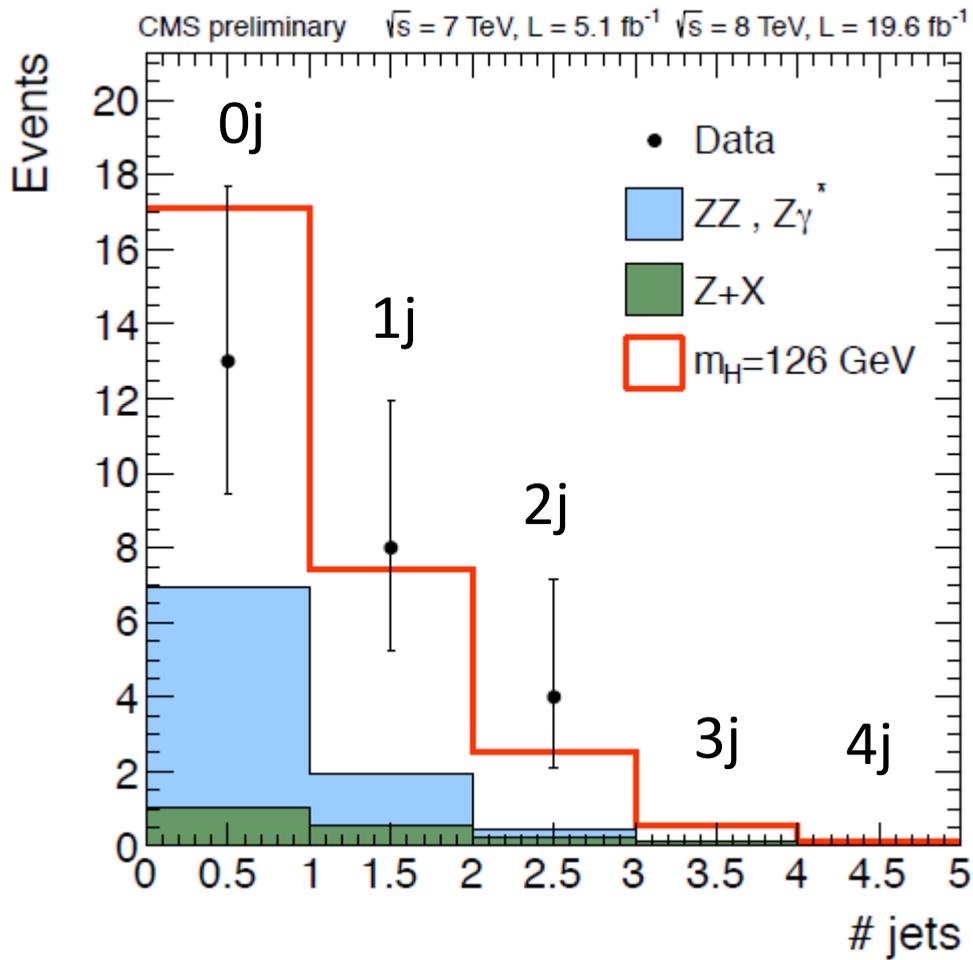
- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow bWch \rightarrow h + 4\text{jets} / h + 2\text{jets} + l + \text{MET}$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow bWch) \sim 9 \text{ pb} \times \left[\frac{\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow ch)}{0.02} \right] \quad [\text{LHC8}]$$

$$\text{vs. } \sigma_{gg \rightarrow h} \sim 19 \text{ pb} \quad [\text{LHC8}]$$

- may show up in current LHC data if $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow ch) \sim 2\%$

Any extra jets in $h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ events?



- $M_{4l} = [121.5 - 130.5] \text{ GeV}$
- sum of $4e, 4\mu, 2e2\mu$ channels

- No evidence for extra jets
→ bound on $B(t \rightarrow ch)$
- 95%CL limit obtained by simple use of standard CLs method:
 $\sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow bWch) < 6.5 \text{ pb}$
→ $B(t \rightarrow ch) < 1.5\%$

Use of other Higgs decay modes

- $h \rightarrow WW^* \text{ \& } \tau\tau$ Craig et al., PRD (2012)
 - study of multi-lepton final states using CMS 7TeV data:
 $B(t \rightarrow ch) < 2.7\%$... can be updated w/ latest data
- $h \rightarrow bb$ C. Kao, H.-Y. Cheng, W.-S. Hou and J. Sayre, PLB (2012)
 - Signal: $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow bWch \rightarrow bbb + c + \ell\nu$
 - With full LHC8 data, 5σ discovery is possible for $B(t \rightarrow ch) > 0.3\%$
[for SM-like $B(h \rightarrow bb)$]
- $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
 - Our method may be applied, but not so clean?

Discussions

$$\rho_{ct}, \rho_{tt}, \rho_{cc}$$

- Properties of the light Higgs h can be modified in 2HDM-III
- Need simultaneous study of $t \rightarrow c h$ and Higgs properties (not done in our study)
- Light Higgs properties when $\rho_{ct} \sim 1$ with small finite $\cos(\beta - \alpha)$

	\mathcal{B}^{SM}	Γ^{SM} [MeV]	Γ	Comment
WW^*	21.5%	0.98	hard to change	$\sin(\beta - \alpha) \simeq 1$
ZZ^*	2.7%	0.12	hard to change	$\sin(\beta - \alpha) \simeq 1$
$\gamma\gamma$	0.24%	0.011	hard to change	W -loop dom.
bb	59.4%	2.70	hard to change	$b \rightarrow s\gamma$
$\tau\tau$	5.7%	0.26	within fac. 2	direct
cc	2.6%	0.12	up to $\sim \Gamma_{b\bar{b}}$	not measured ($\rho_{cc} \lesssim 0.2$)
gg	7.7%	0.35	up to fac. 2	$\rho_{tt} \sim 1$

Summary

- It is of great interest to search for the link between the top quark (t) and the Higgs boson (h)
- Large t - c - h coupling has great impact on flavor physics
- Existing LHC data can already probe $B(t \rightarrow ch)$ at 1% level by various methods
- Actual experimental studies will provide important information for the FCNH couplings
- A discovery of $t \rightarrow ch$ with present data would suggest the existence of an extended Higgs sector beyond the usual 2HDM-II implied by MSSM