

# Alternative Higgs Physics

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# Higgs = "raison d'être" of LHC

- $\approx 500$  physics papers over the last 5 years have an introduction starting like "the (main) goal of the LHC is to discover the Higgs boson"
- $\approx 9000$  papers in Spires contain "Higgs" in their title
- $\approx 3 \times 10^6$  references in google ( $\approx 1\%$  of M. Jackson)
- ... no Nobel prize (so far)

## Reasons of a success

- last missing piece of the SM?
- at the origin of the masses of elementary particles?
- unitarization of WW scattering amplitudes
- screening of gauge boson self-energies

"Higgs = emergency tire of the SM"

# Electroweak Symmetry Breaking

symmetry breaking: new phase with more degrees of freedom

massive  $W^\pm, Z$ : 3 physical polarizations=eaten Goldstone bosons  $\frac{SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R}{SU(2)_V}$

—————  $\Rightarrow$  UV physics of these Goldstone's?  $\Leftarrow$  —————

*Where are these Goldstone's coming from?*

○ Are they fundamental scalar degrees of freedom?

$\Rightarrow$  require at least one additional degree of freedom (the Higgs boson!)

○ Are they composite fields? What are made of then?

$\Rightarrow$  require new strong interactions that are likely to produce other bound states

○ Are they components of gauge fields in higher dimensions?

$\Rightarrow$  require new space dimensions

*At which scale should we expect to see something?*

# The UV behavior of the weak Goldstone

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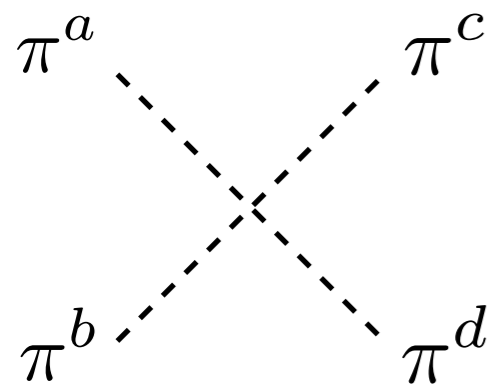
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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = m_W^2 W_\mu^+ W^{\mu-} + \frac{1}{2} m_Z^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu = \frac{v^2}{4} \text{Tr} (D_\mu \Sigma^\dagger D_\mu \Sigma)$$

$\Sigma = e^{i\sigma^a \pi^a / v}$   
Goldstone of  
 $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R / SU(2)_V$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \pi^a)^2 - \frac{1}{6v^2} ((\pi^a \partial_\mu \pi^a)^2 - (\pi^a)^2 (\partial_\mu \pi^a)^2) + \dots$$

contact interaction growing with energy



$$\mathcal{A}(\pi^a \pi^b \rightarrow \pi^c \pi^d) = \mathcal{A}(s, t, u) \delta^{ab} \delta^{cd} + \mathcal{A}(t, s, u) \delta^{ac} \delta^{bd} + \mathcal{A}(u, t, s) \delta^{ad} \delta^{bc}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(s, t, u) = \frac{s}{v^2} \quad \text{Weinberg's LET}$$

the behavior of this amplitude is not consistent above  $4\pi v$  ( $\approx 1-3 \text{ TeV}$ )

Lee, Quigg & Thacker '77

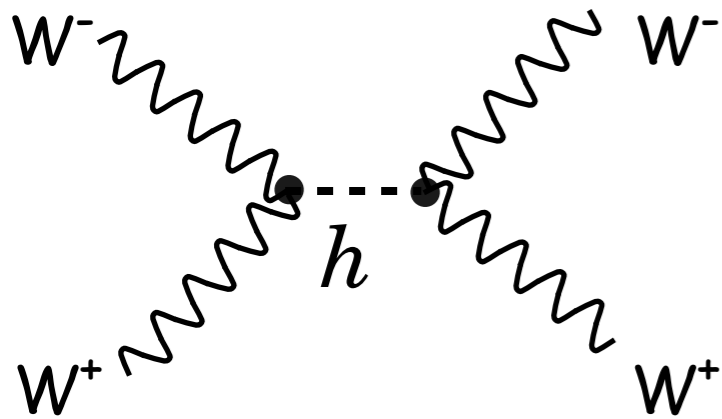


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$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{1}{v^2} \left( s - \frac{a^2 s^2}{s - m_h^2} \right)$$

growth cancelled for  
 $a = 1$   
 restoration of  
 perturbative unitarity

Cornwall, Levin, Tiktopoulos '73

Contino, Grojean, Moretti, Piccinini, Rattazzi '10

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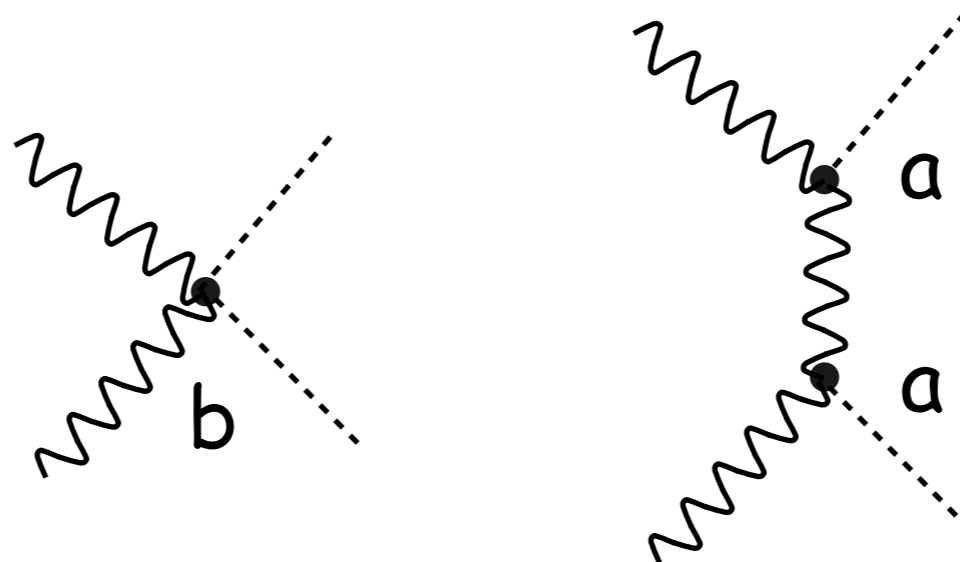
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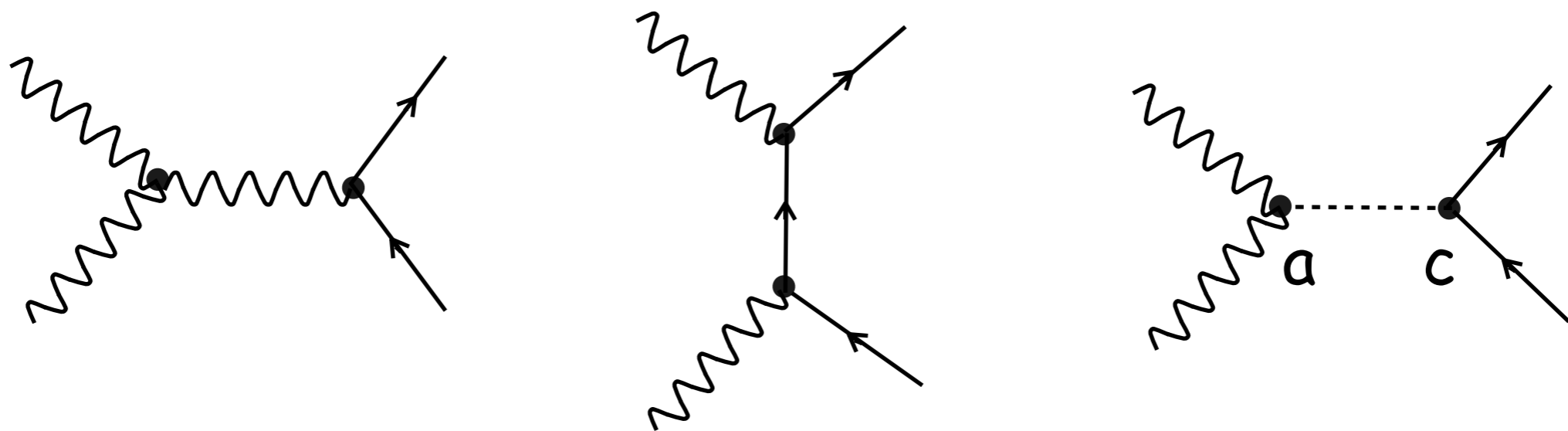
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'a=1', 'b=1' & 'c=1' define the SM Higgs

Higgs properties depend on a single unknown parameter ( $m_H$ )

$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EWSB}}$  can be rewritten as  $D_\mu H^\dagger D_\mu H$

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\sigma^a \pi^a / v} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + h \end{pmatrix}$$

$h$  and  $\pi^a$  (ie  $W_L$  and  $Z_L$ ) combine to form a linear representation of  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

# What is a composite Higgs?

A  $\sigma$  particle that combines with  $W_L$  and  $Z_L$  to form a  $SU(2)$  doublet

*renormalizable level = uniqueness*

$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  linearly realized  $\Leftrightarrow$  Standard Model  $\Leftrightarrow a=b=c=1$

*non-renormalizable level*

$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  linearly realized &  $a, b, c \neq 1 \Leftrightarrow$  Composite Higgs

deviations of Higgs couplings originate from higher dimensional operators

$$\underbrace{(\partial_\mu |H|^2)^2 \quad |H|^2 \bar{\psi} H \psi}_{\text{relevant for composite Higgs models}} \quad \underbrace{|H|^2 B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} \quad |H|^2 G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}}_{\text{irrelevant for composite Higgs models}}$$

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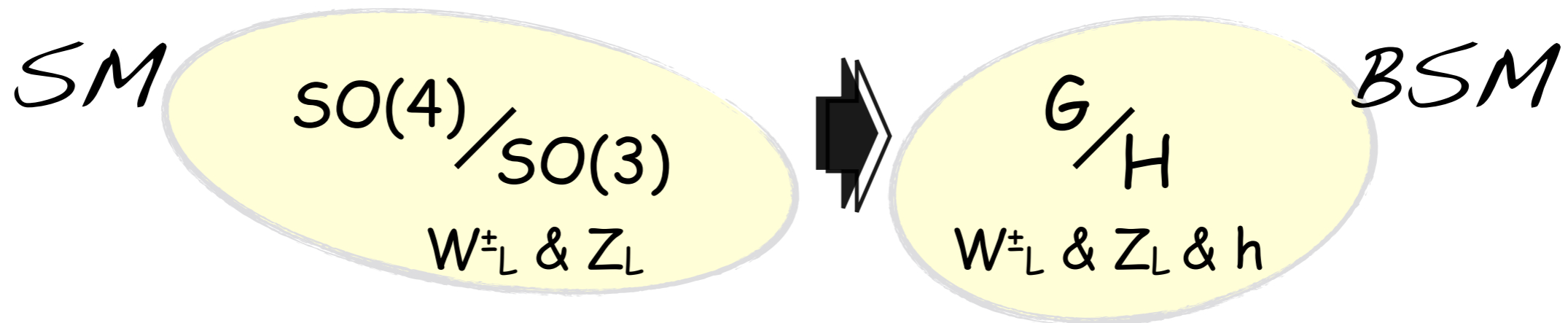


# Higgs as a PGB: a natural extension of SM

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Higgs transforms non-linearly under some global symmetry

Higgs=Pseudo-Goldstone boson (PGB)



Examples:  $SO(5)/SO(4)$ : 4 PGBs =  $W^\pm_L, Z_L, h$

Minimal Composite Higgs Model

Agashe, Contino, Pomarol '04

$SO(6)/SO(5)$ : 5 PGBs =  $H, a$

Next MCHM

Gripaios, Pomarol, Riva, Serra '09

$SU(4)/Sp(4, \mathbb{C})$ : 5 PGBs =  $H, s$

$SO(6)/SO(4) \times SO(2)$ : 8 PGBs =  $H_1 + H_2$

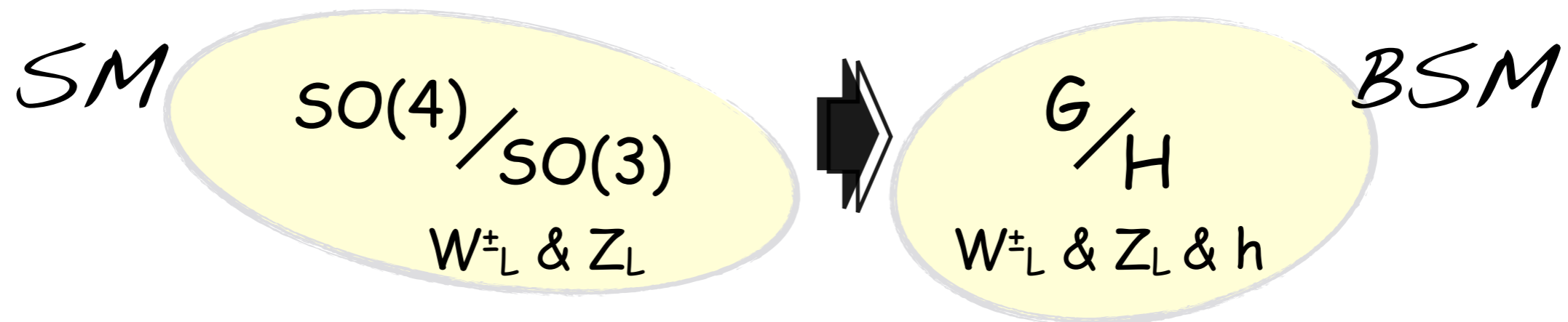
Minimal Composite  
Two Higgs Doublets

Mrazek, Pomarol, Rattazzi, Serra, Wulzer '11

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*How can we tell the difference with the SM Higgs?*

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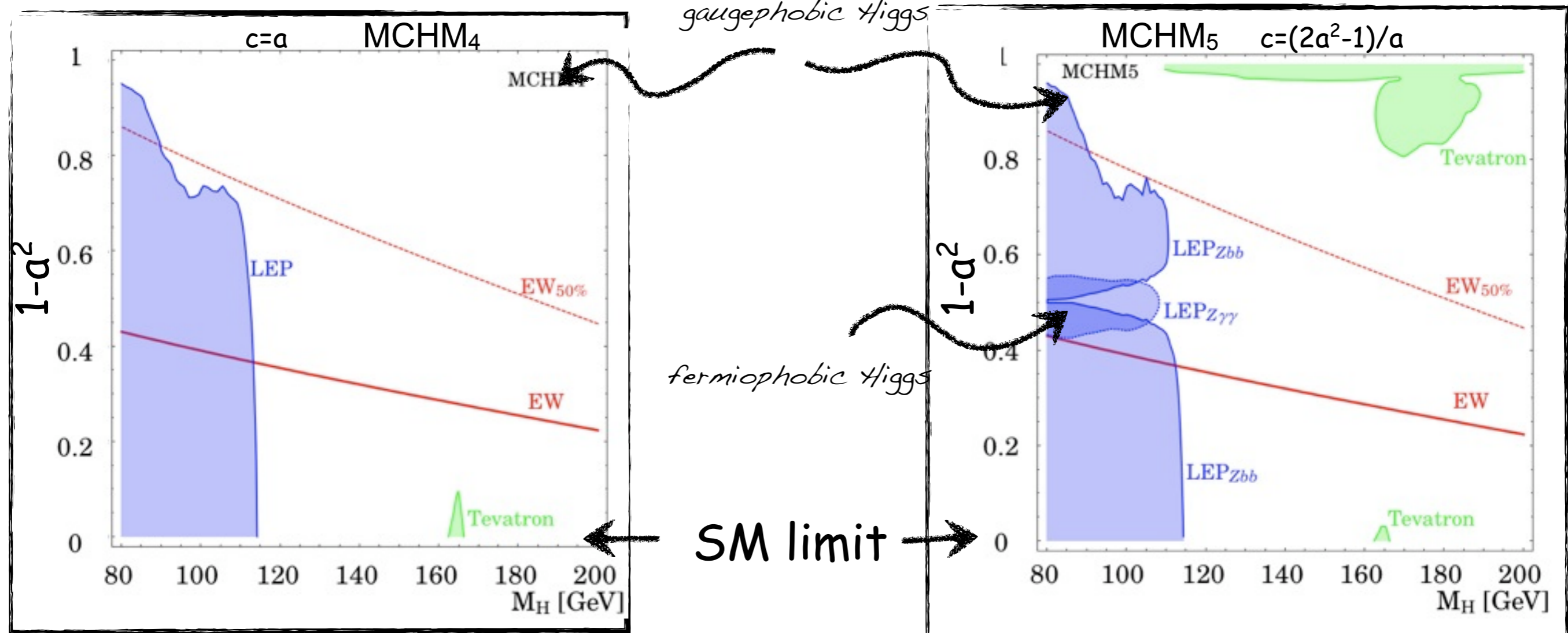
Goldstone of  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R / SU(2)_V$

$$D_\mu \Sigma \approx W_\mu$$

SM 'a=1', 'b=1' & 'c=1'

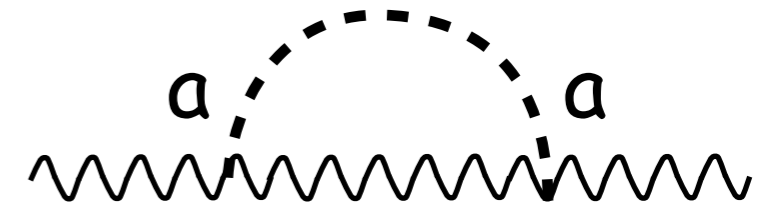
Current EW data constrain only 'a' (and marginally 'c')

Espinosa, Grojean, Muehlleitner '10



# Deformation of the SM Higgs: EW constraints

The parameter 'a' controls the size of the one-loop IR contribution to the LEP precision observables



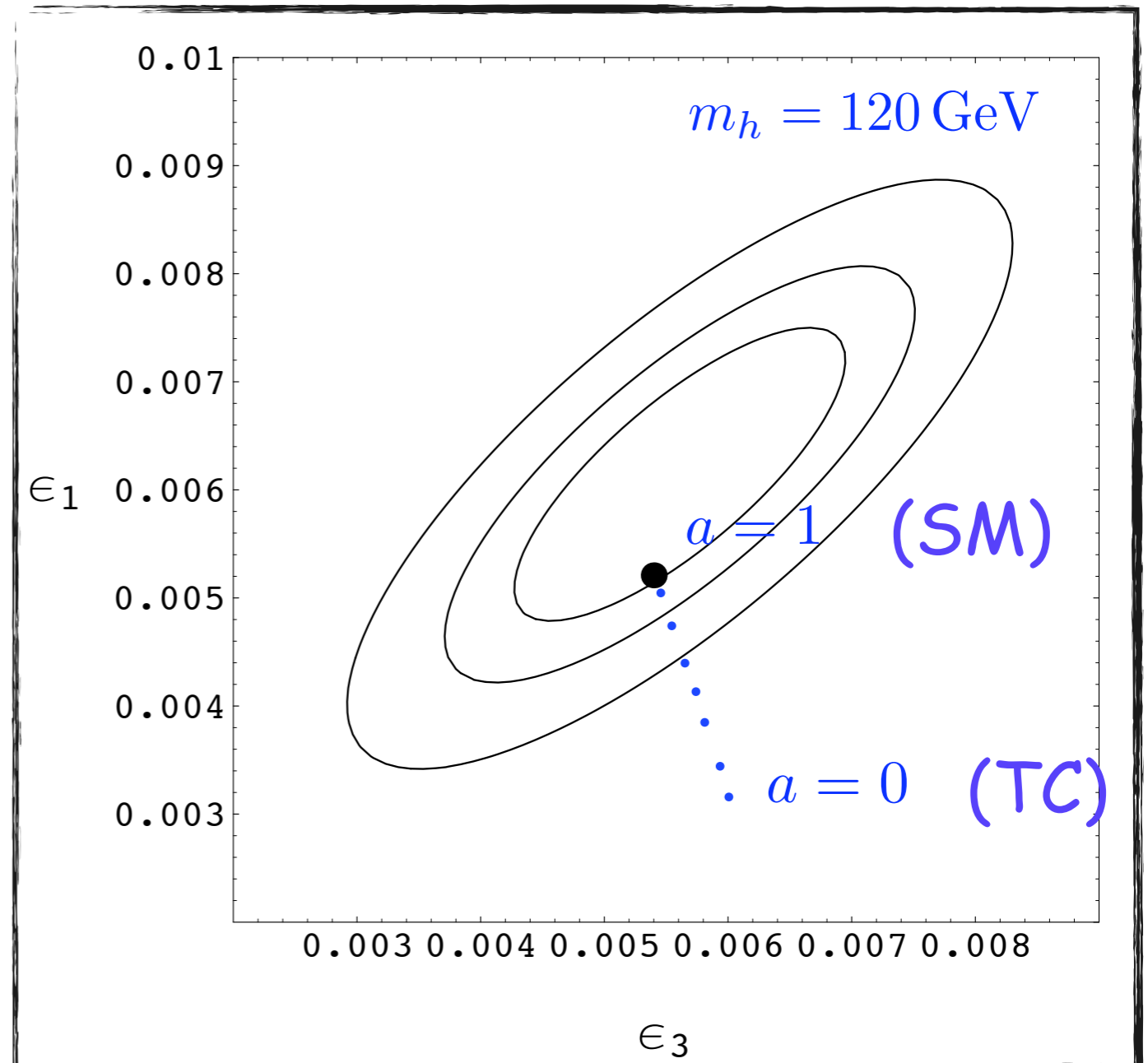
$$\epsilon_{1,3} = c_{1,3} \log(m_Z^2/\mu^2) - c_{1,3} a^2 \log(m_h^2/\mu^2) - c_{1,3} (1 - a^2) \log(m_\rho^2/\mu^2) + \text{finite terms}$$

$$c_1 = + \frac{3}{16\pi^2} \frac{\alpha(m_Z)}{\cos^2 \theta_W}$$

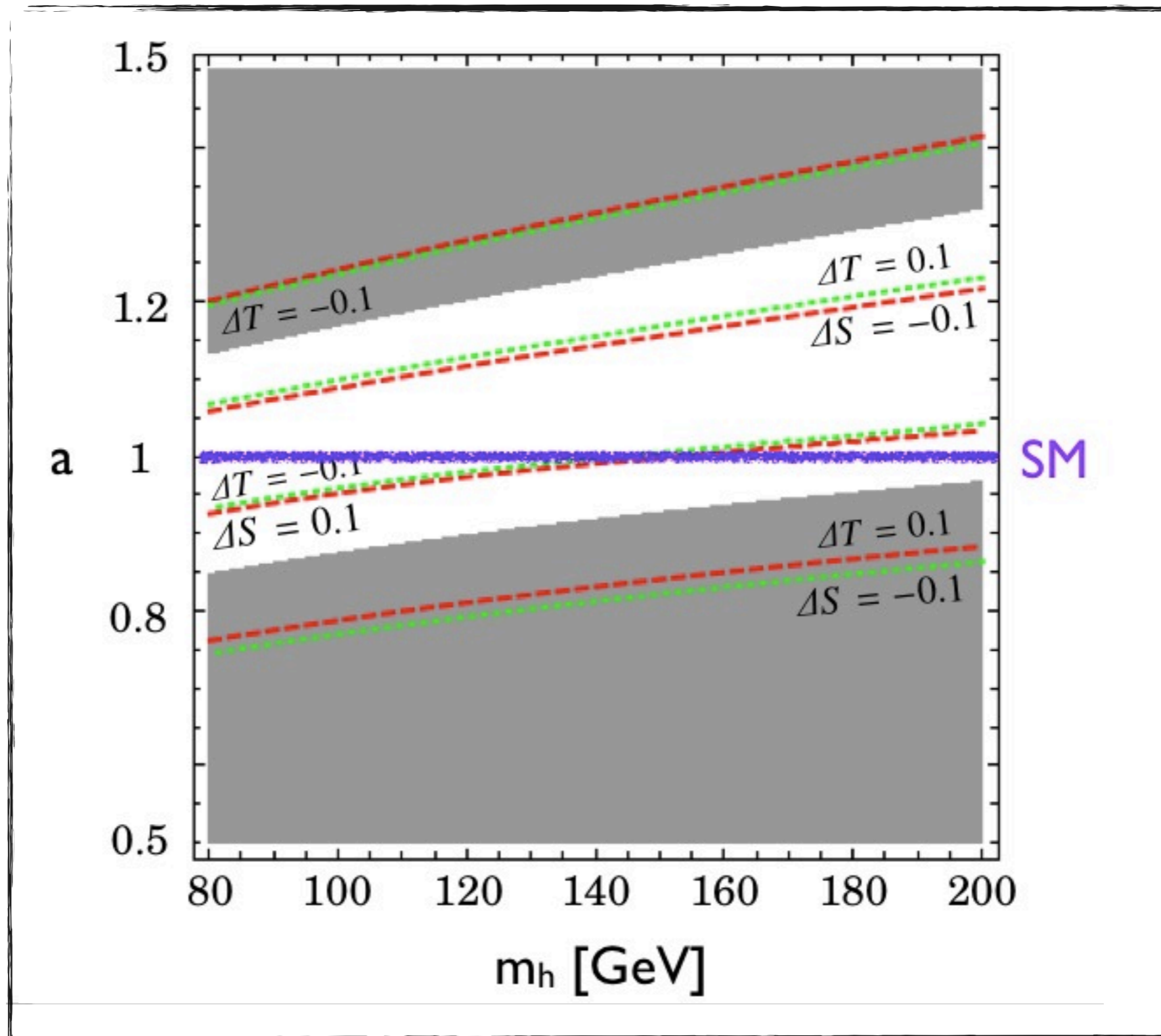
$$c_3 = - \frac{1}{12\pi} \frac{\alpha(m_Z)}{4 \sin^2 \theta_W}$$

$$\Delta\epsilon_{1,3} = -c_{1,3} (1 - a^2) \log(m_\rho^2/m_h^2)$$

Barbieri, Bellazzini, Rychkov, Varagnolo '07

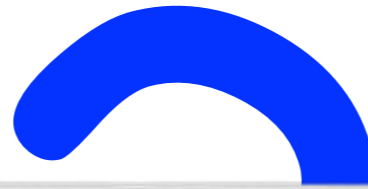


# EW data constraints on 'a'

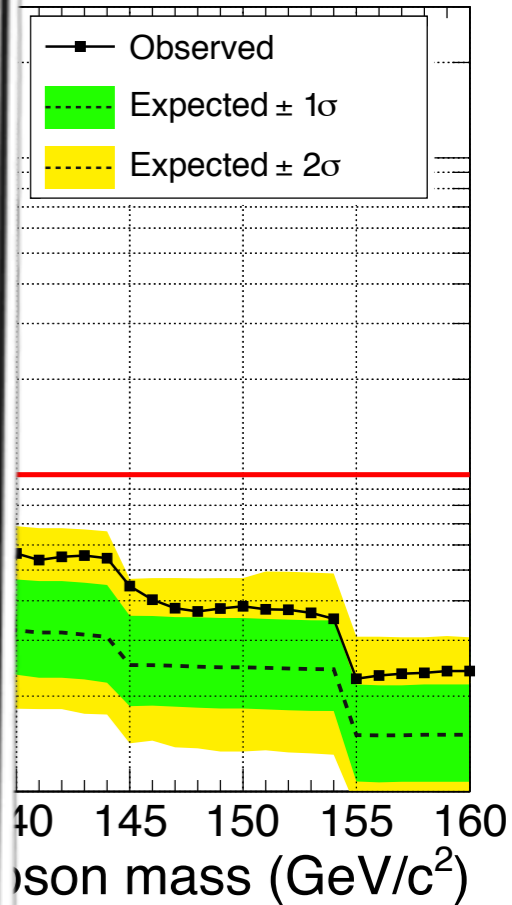
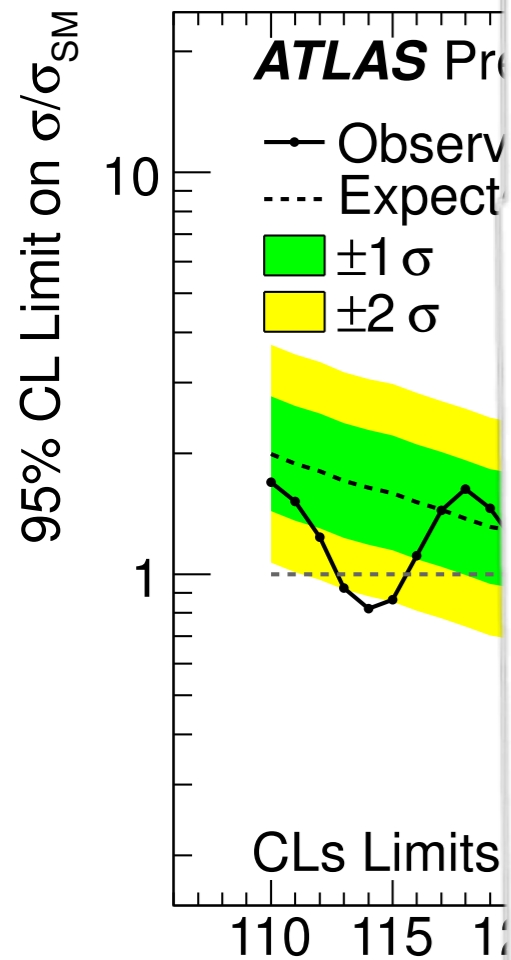




# Higgs bounds: news from last December



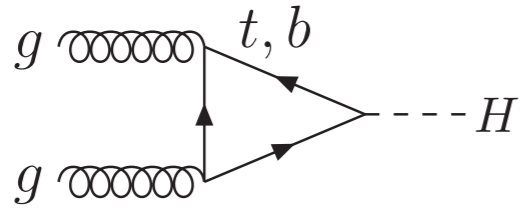
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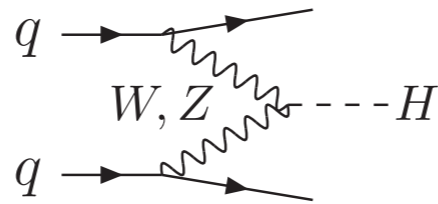
$\approx 131 GeV$

$\approx 127 GeV$

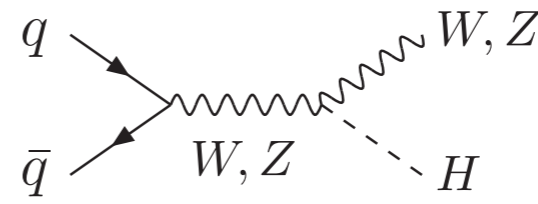
# Rescaling Higgs Searches



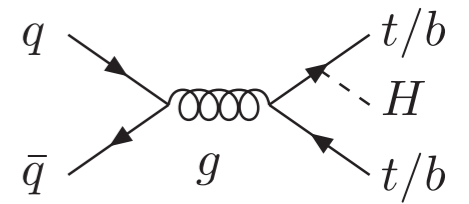
$c^2$



$a^2$



$a^2$



$c^2$

$$\frac{\sigma_{NLO}^{SM}}{\sigma_{NLO}^{SM}}$$

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow f\bar{f}) = c^2 \Gamma^{SM}(H \rightarrow f\bar{f}),$$

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow VV) = a^2 \Gamma^{SM}(H \rightarrow VV),$$

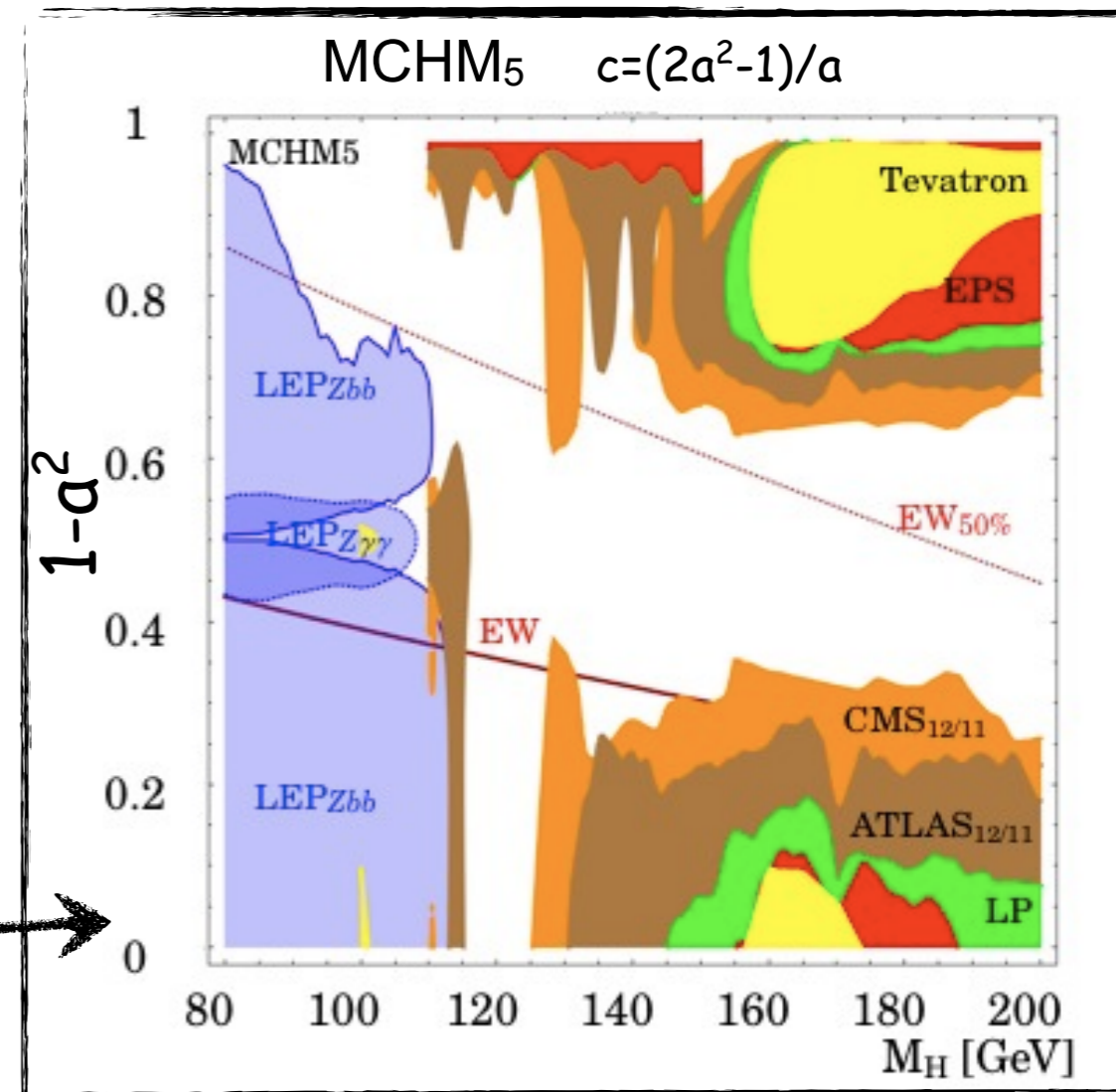
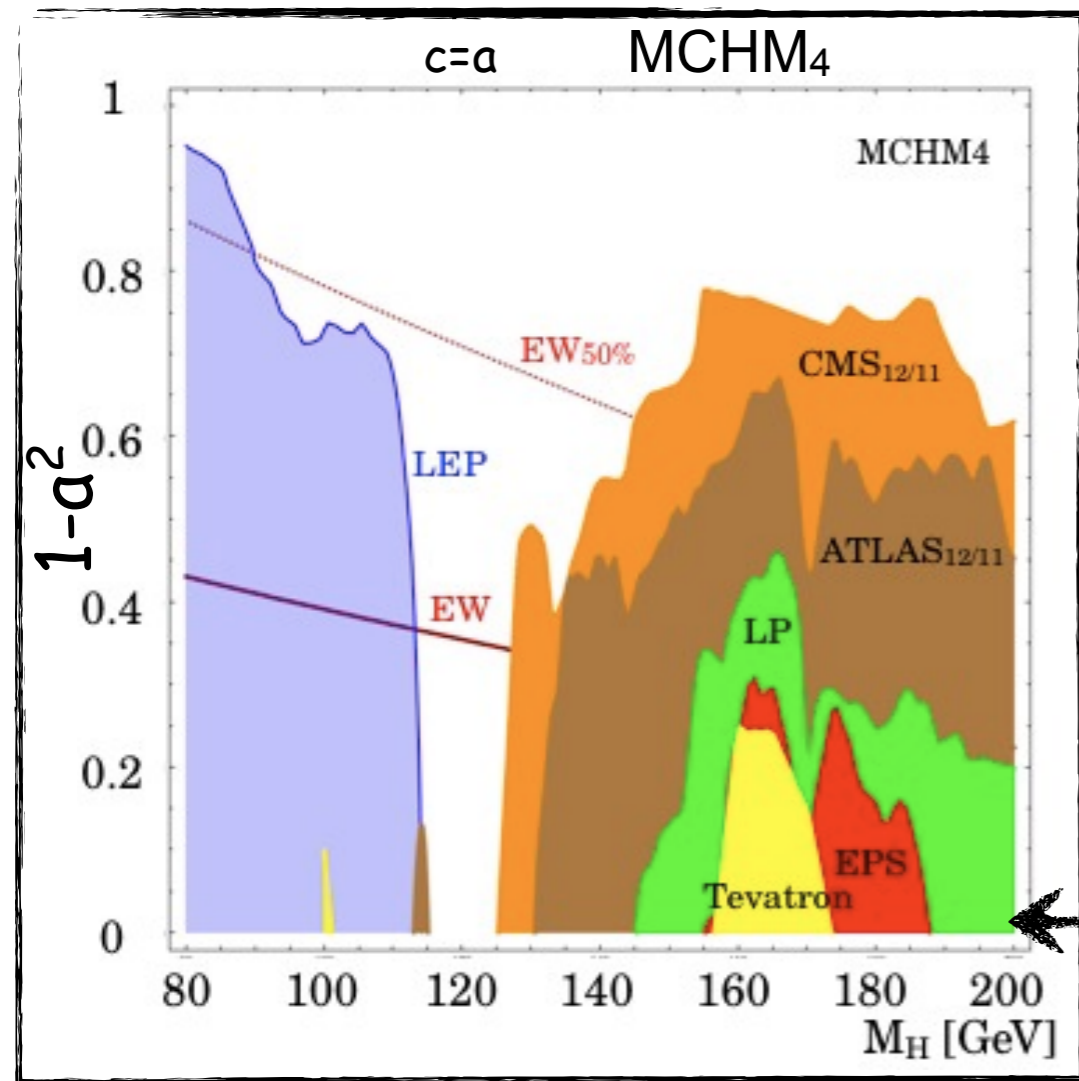
$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow gg) = c^2 \Gamma^{SM}(H \rightarrow gg),$$

$$\Gamma(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{(cI_\gamma + aJ_\gamma)^2}{(I_\gamma + J_\gamma)^2} \Gamma^{SM}(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma),$$

# Deformation of the SM Higgs: current constraints

the SM exclusion bounds are easily rescaled in the  $(m_H, a)$  plane

Espinosa, Grojean, Muehlleitner '11

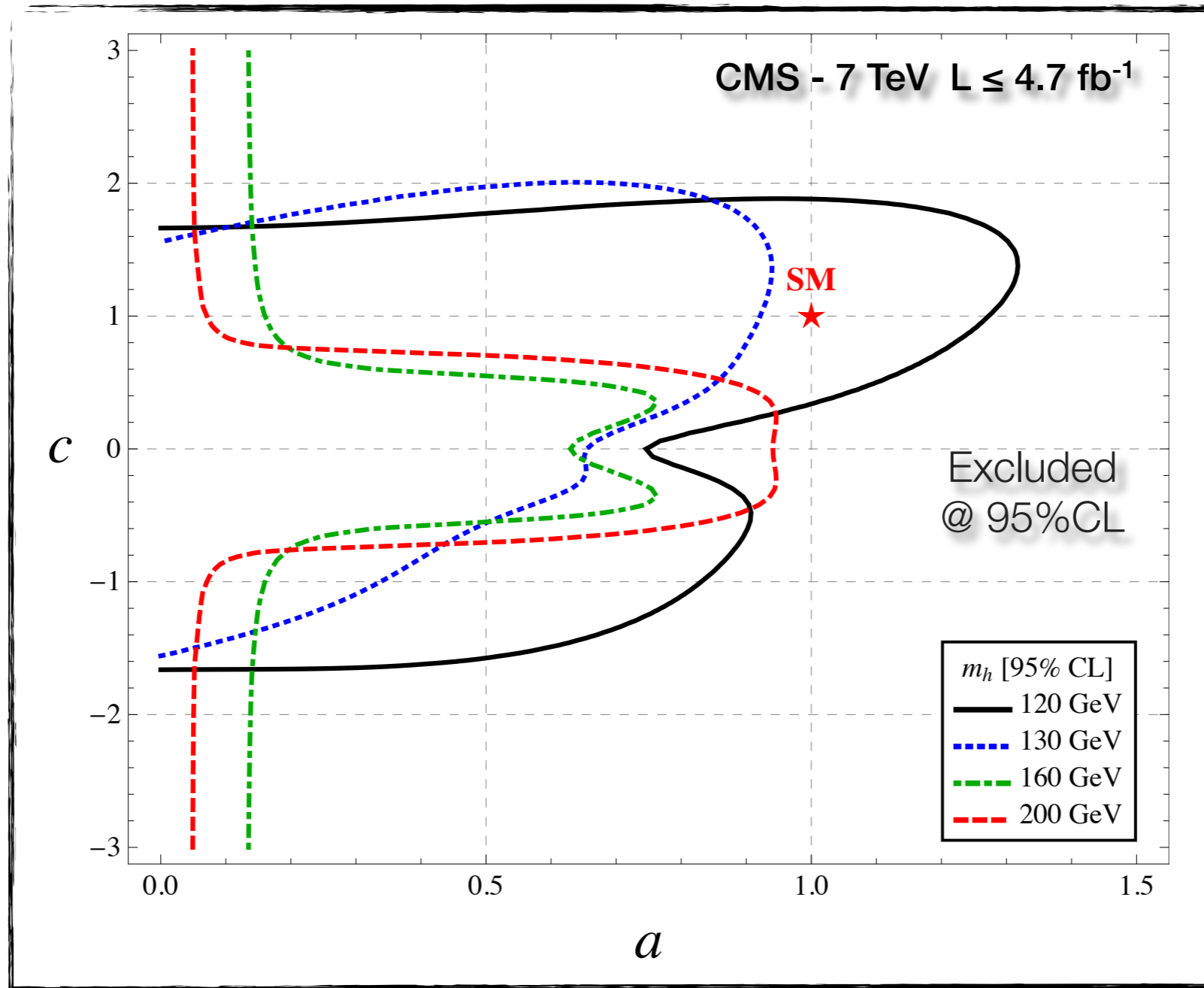


SM limits

LHC tsunami!

the LHC can do much more than simply excluding the SM Higgs

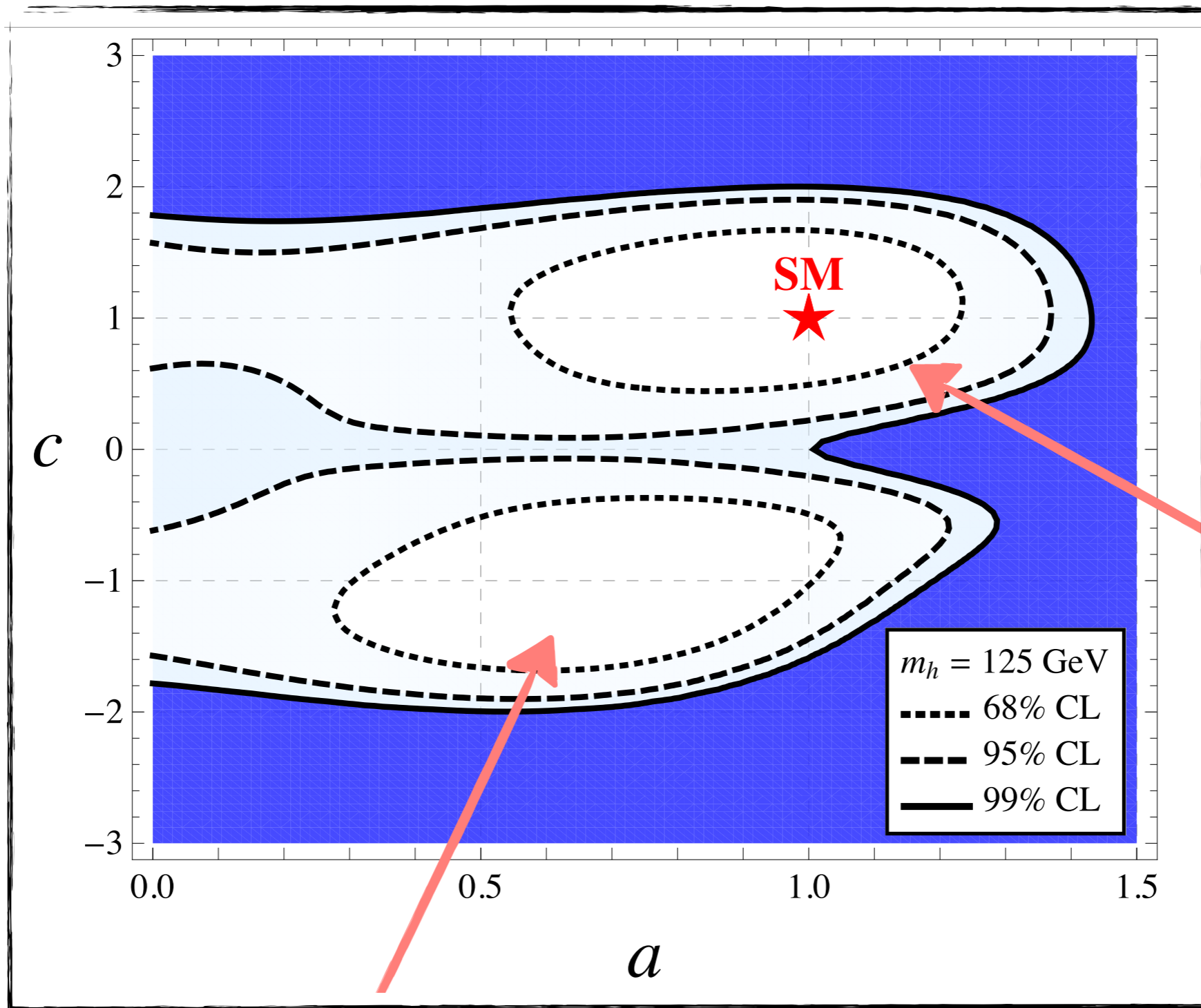
# LHC constraints: model independent analysis



Azatov, Contino, Galloway 'to appear



# A Hint for a non-SM Higgs?



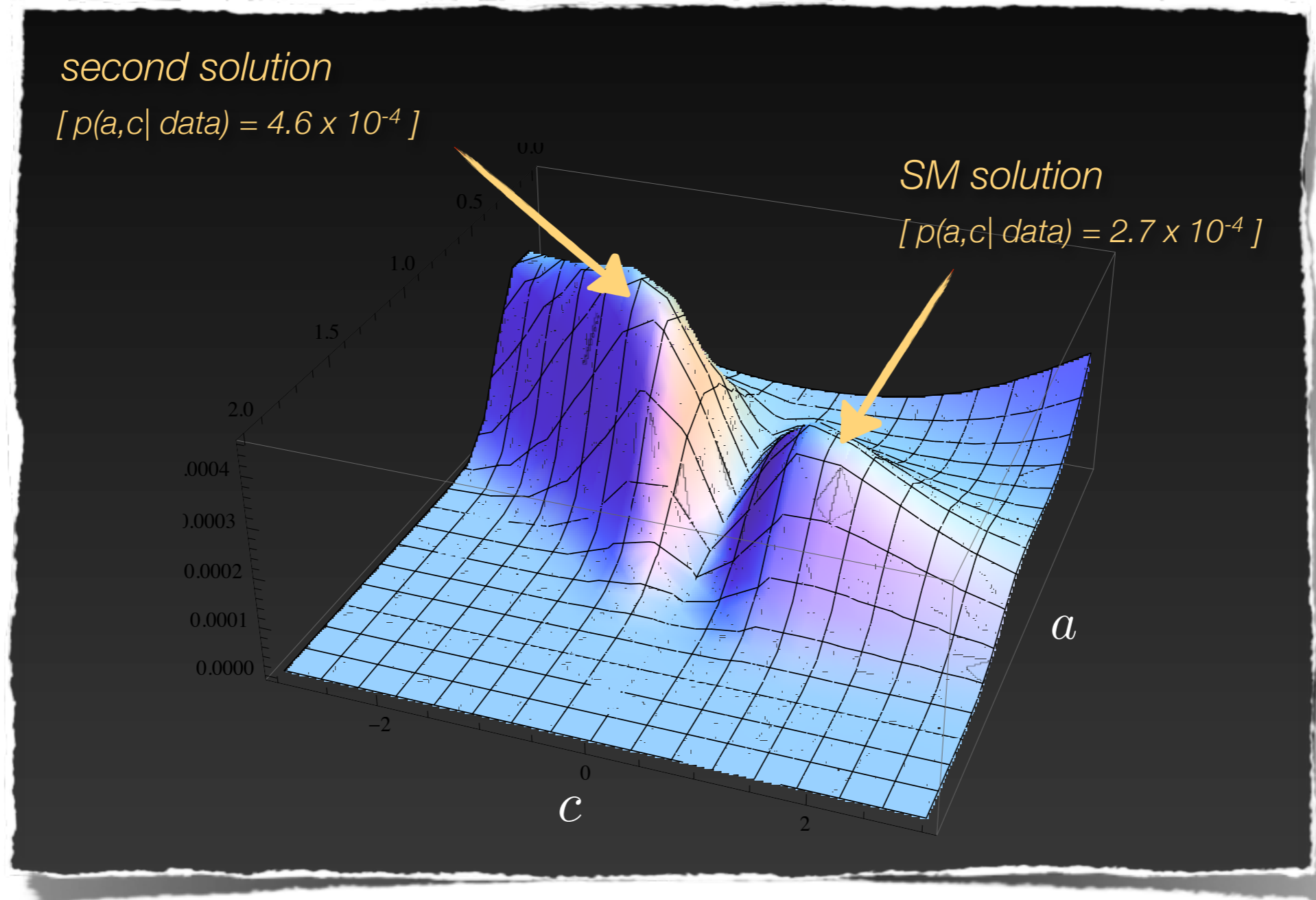
$(a=1, c=1)$

$(a=0.7, c=-1)$

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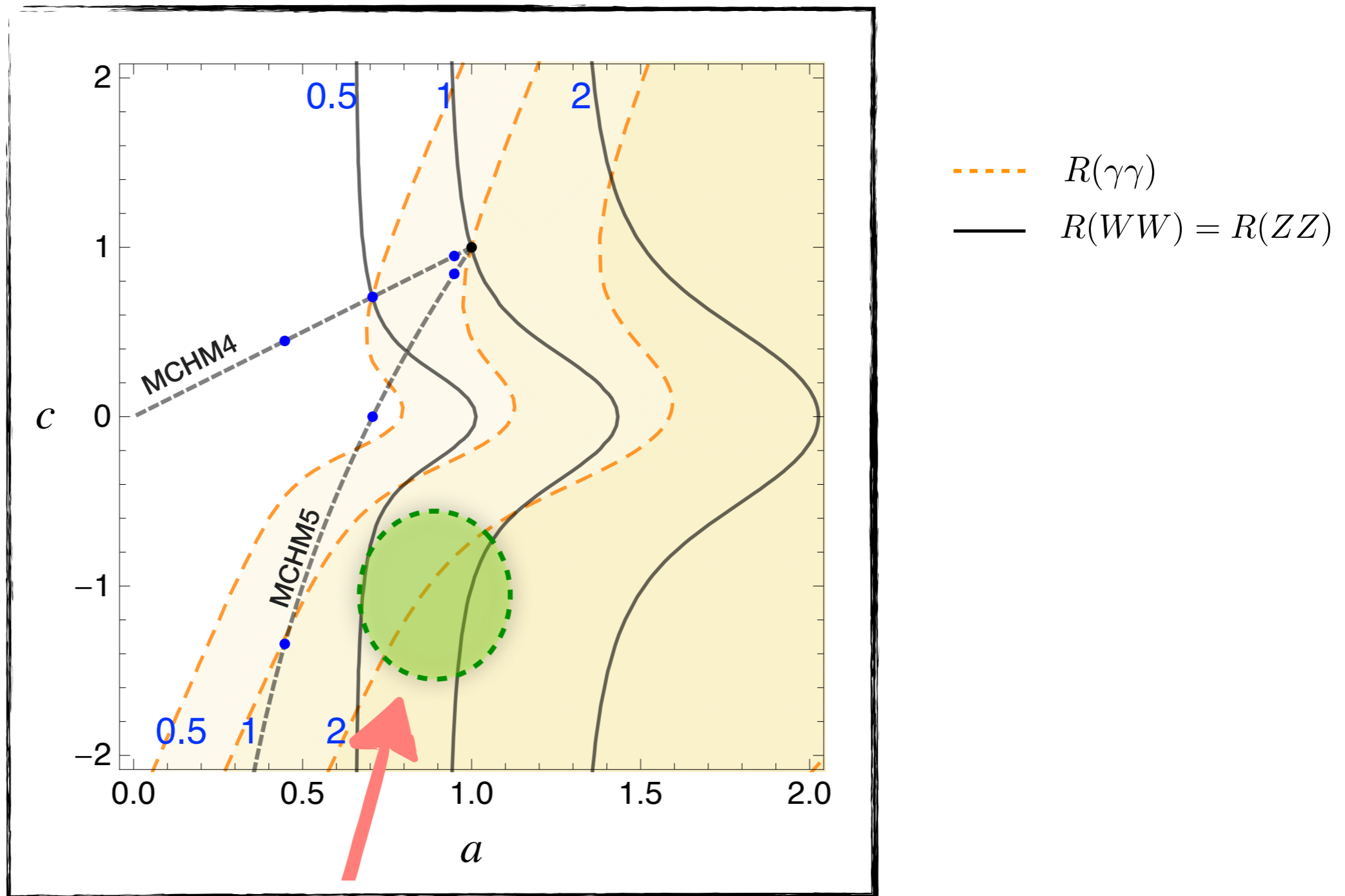


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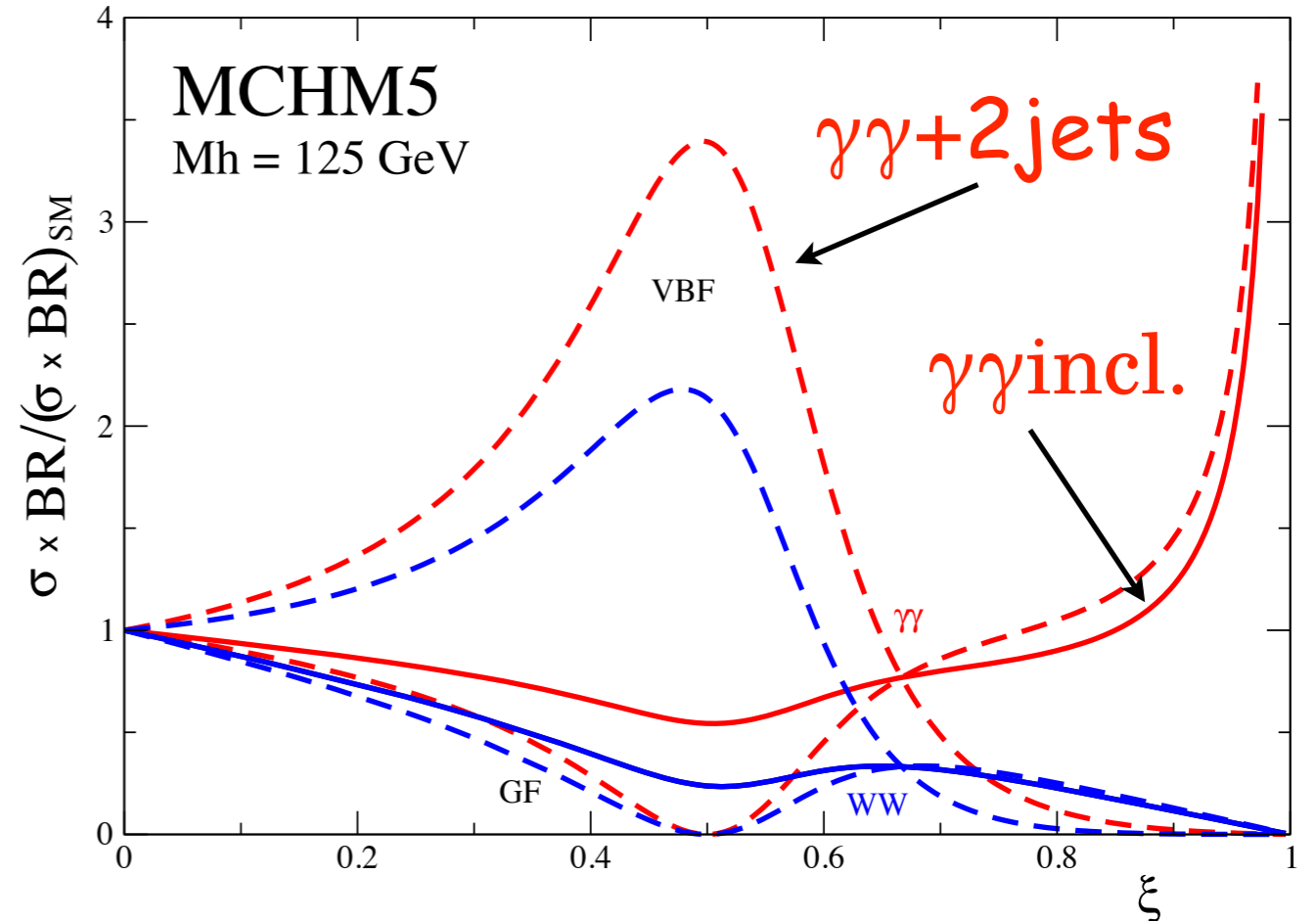
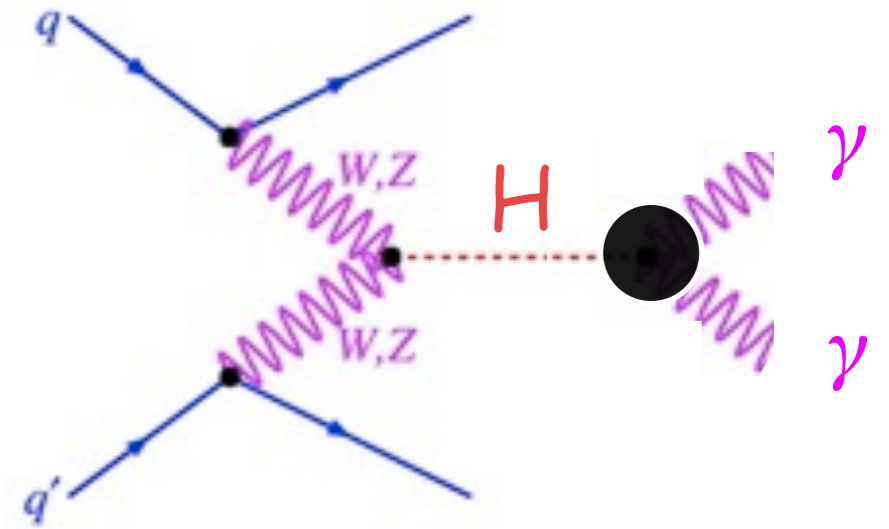
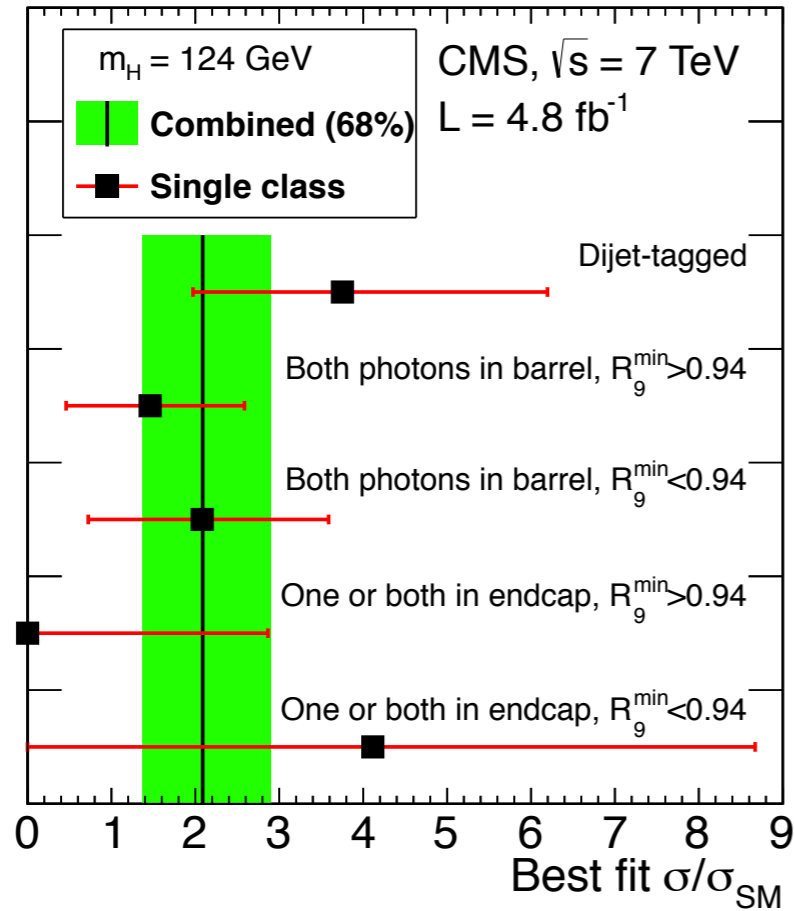
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# News from Yesterday

CMS PAS HIG-11-033



Espinosa, Grojean, Troost 'in progress

*How to probe the composite nature of the Higgs?*

*1. Anomalous Higgs couplings*

# Anomalous Higgs Couplings

Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi '07

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{c_H}{2f^2} \partial^\mu (|H|^2) \partial_\mu (|H|^2) \quad c_H \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{v+h}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + c_H \frac{v^2}{f^2} \right) (\partial^\mu h)^2 + \dots$$

Modified  
Higgs propagator

$\sim$

Higgs couplings  
rescaled by

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + c_H \frac{v^2}{f^2}}} \sim 1 - c_H \frac{v^2}{2f^2} \equiv 1 - \xi/2$$

$$\xi = v^2/f^2$$

$$a = 1 - \xi/2 \quad b = 1 - 2\xi \quad c = 1 - \xi/2$$



# Continuous interpolation between SM and TC

$$\xi = \frac{v^2}{f^2} = \frac{(\text{weak scale})^2}{(\text{strong coupling scale})^2}$$

$\xi = 0$   
SM limit

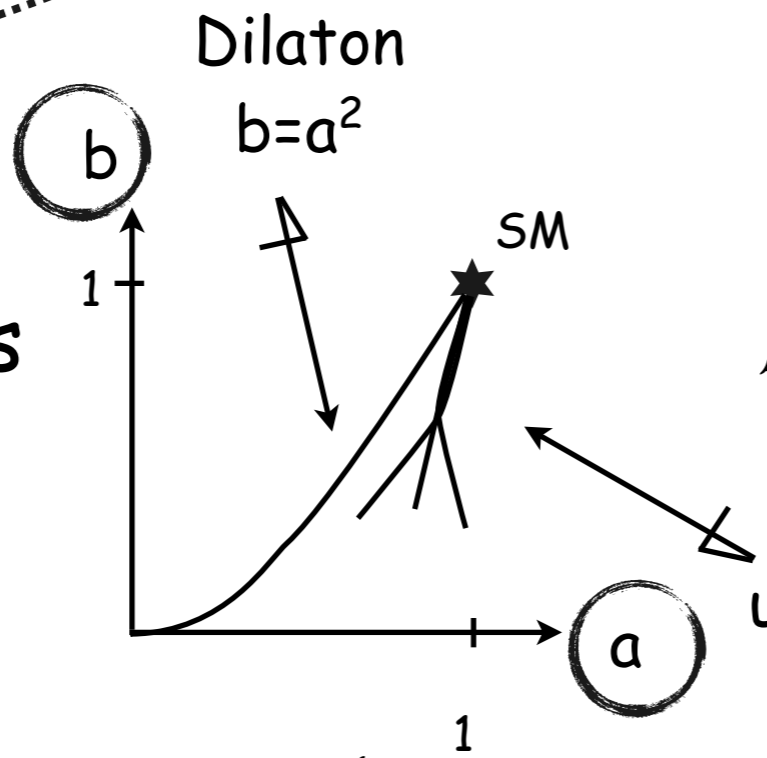
all resonances of strong sector, except the Higgs, decouple

$\xi = 1$

Technicolor limit

Higgs decouple from SM; vector resonances like in TC

Composite Higgs vs. SM Higgs



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EWSB}} = \left( a \frac{v}{2} h + b \frac{1}{4} h^2 \right) \text{Tr} (D_\mu \Sigma^\dagger D_\mu \Sigma)$$

Composite Higgs universal behavior for large  $f$   
 $a = 1 - v^2/2f^2$   $b = 1 - 2v^2/f^2$

# SILH Effective Lagrangian

(strongly-interacting light Higgs)

Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi '07

■ extra Higgs leg:  $H/f$

■ extra derivative:  $\partial/m_\rho$

## ■ Genuine strong operators (sensitive to the scale $f$ )

$$\frac{c_H}{2f^2} \left( \partial^\mu |H|^2 \right)^2$$

$$\frac{c_T}{2f^2} \left( H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H \right)^2$$

custodial breaking

$$\frac{c_y y_f}{f^2} |H|^2 \bar{f}_L H f_R + \text{h.c.}$$

$$\frac{c_6 \lambda}{f^2} |H|^6$$

## ■ Form factor operators (sensitive to the scale $m_\rho$ )

$$\frac{i c_W}{2m_\rho^2} \left( H^\dagger \sigma^i \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H \right) (D^\nu W_{\mu\nu})^i$$

$$\frac{i c_B}{2m_\rho^2} \left( H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H \right) (\partial^\nu B_{\mu\nu})$$

$$\frac{i c_{HW}}{m_\rho^2} \frac{g_\rho^2}{16\pi^2} (D^\mu H)^\dagger \sigma^i (D^\nu H) W_{\mu\nu}^i$$

$$\frac{i c_{HB}}{m_\rho^2} \frac{g_\rho^2}{16\pi^2} (D^\mu H)^\dagger (D^\nu H) B_{\mu\nu}$$

minimal coupling:  $h \rightarrow \gamma Z$

loop-suppressed strong dynamics

$$\frac{c_\gamma}{m_\rho^2} \frac{g_\rho^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{g^2}{g_\rho^2} H^\dagger H B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\frac{c_g}{m_\rho^2} \frac{g_\rho^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{y_t^2}{g_\rho^2} H^\dagger H G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a\mu\nu}$$

Goldstone sym.

# Minimal Composite Higgs Examples

The SILH Lagrangian is an expansion for small  $v/f$   
 5D MCHM give a completion for large  $v/f$

$$m_W^2 = \frac{1}{4} g^2 f^2 \sin^2 v/f \Rightarrow g_{hWW} = \sqrt{1-\xi} g_{hWW}^{\text{SM}} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = \sqrt{1-\xi} \\ b = 1-2\xi \end{cases}$$

Fermions embedded in spinorial of  $SO(5)$

$$m_f = M \sin v/f$$



$$g_{hff} = \sqrt{1-\xi} g_{hff}^{\text{SM}}$$



$$c = \sqrt{1-\xi}$$

universal shift of the couplings  
 no modifications of BRs

$$(\xi = v^2/f^2)$$

Fermions embedded in 5+10 of  $SO(5)$

$$m_f = M \sin 2v/f$$



$$g_{hff} = \frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}} g_{hff}^{\text{SM}}$$



$$c = \frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}}$$

BRs now depends on  $v/f$

MCHM4

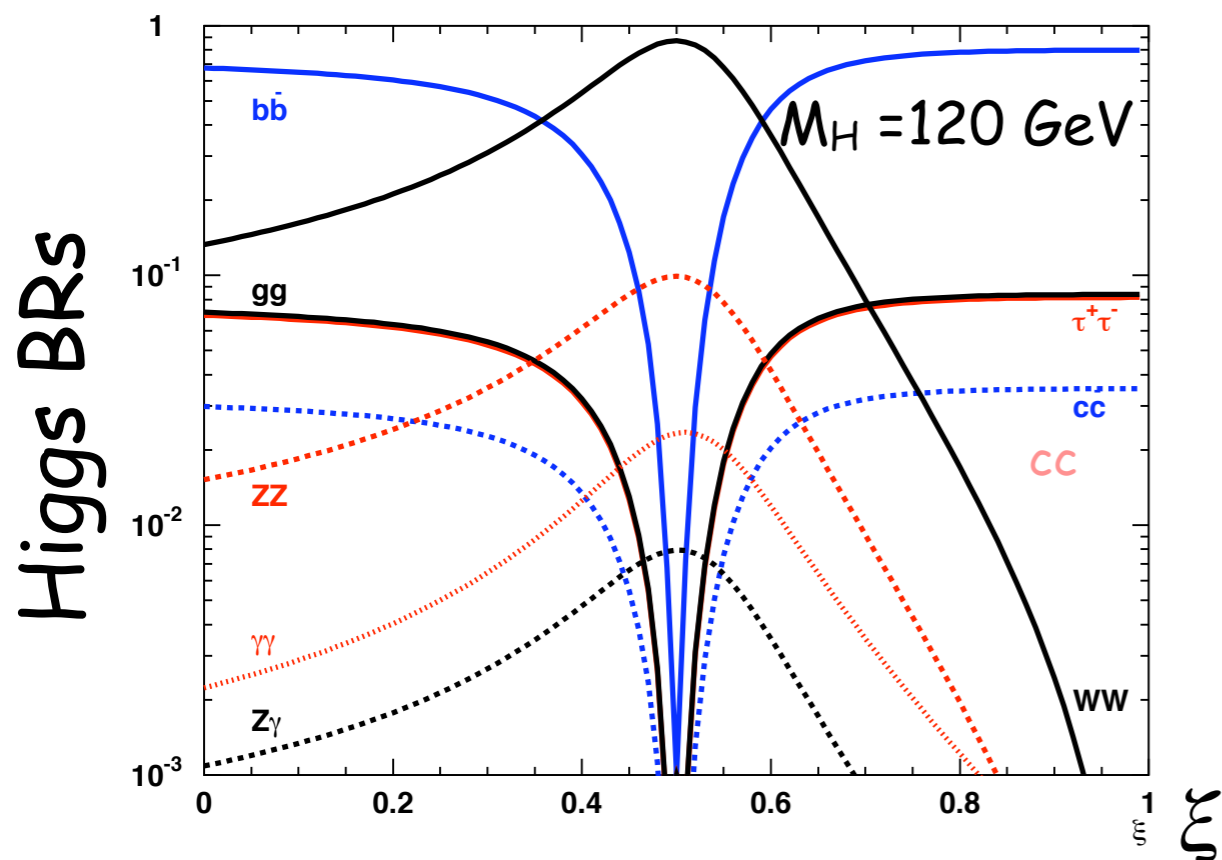
MCHM5

# Higgs BRs - MCHM<sub>5</sub>

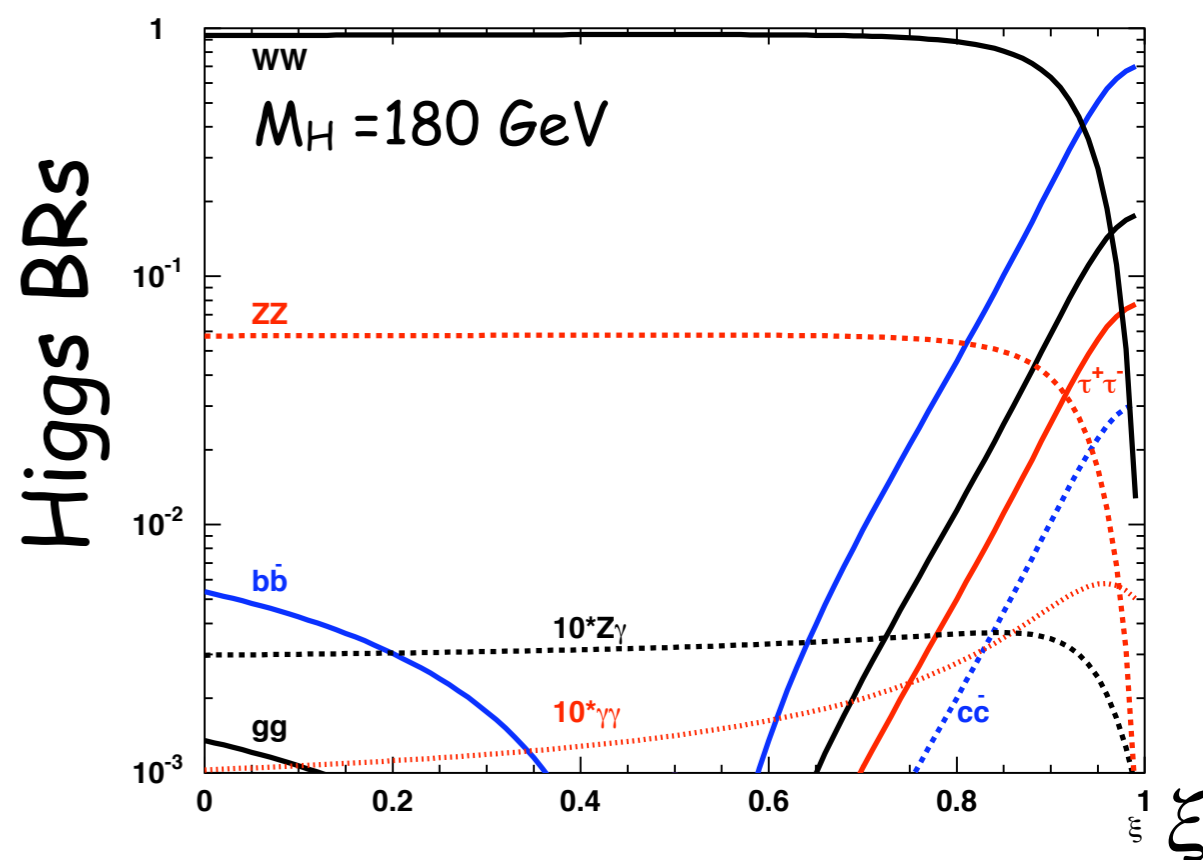
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MCHM<sub>5</sub>

$$a = \sqrt{1 - \xi} \quad b = 1 - 2\xi \quad c = \frac{1 - 2\xi}{\sqrt{1 - \xi}}$$



$h \rightarrow WW$  can dominate even for low Higgs mass



BRs remain SM like except for very large values of  $v/f$

*How to probe the composite nature of the Higgs?*

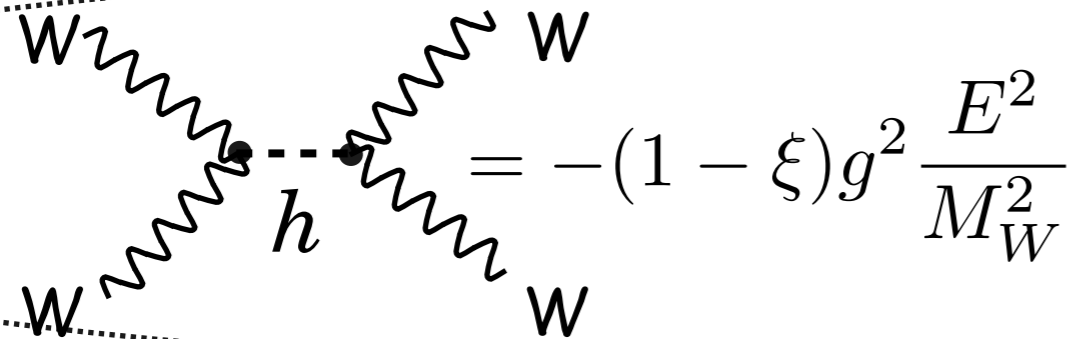
*2. Probing Strong scatterings*

# How to probe the strong dynamics?

pair production of light states belonging to the strong sector

Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi '07

## strong WW scattering:



$$= -(1 - \xi)g^2 \frac{E^2}{M_W^2}$$

no exact cancellation  
of the growing amplitudes

$$\mathcal{A}(W_L^a W_L^b \rightarrow W_L^c W_L^d) = \mathcal{A}(s, t, u)\delta^{ab}\delta^{cd} + \mathcal{A}(t, s, u)\delta^{ac}\delta^{bd} + \mathcal{A}(u, t, s)\delta^{ad}\delta^{bc} \quad \mathcal{A} = (1 - a^2) \frac{s}{v^2}$$

large  $\mathcal{L}_{int}$  needed

not competitive with the measurement of 'a' via anomalous couplings

## strong double Higgs production:

Contino, Grojean, Moretti, Piccinini, Rattazzi '10

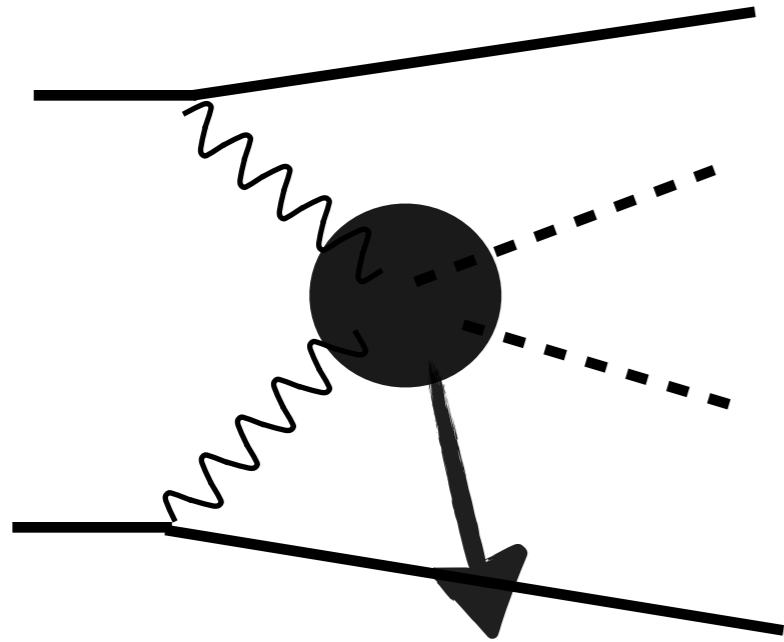
$$\mathcal{A}(Z_L^0 Z_L^0 \rightarrow hh) = (W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow hh) = (b - a^2) \frac{s}{v^2}$$

access to a new interaction, 'b'

distinction between 'active' (higgs) and 'passive' (dilaton) scalar in EWSB dynamics



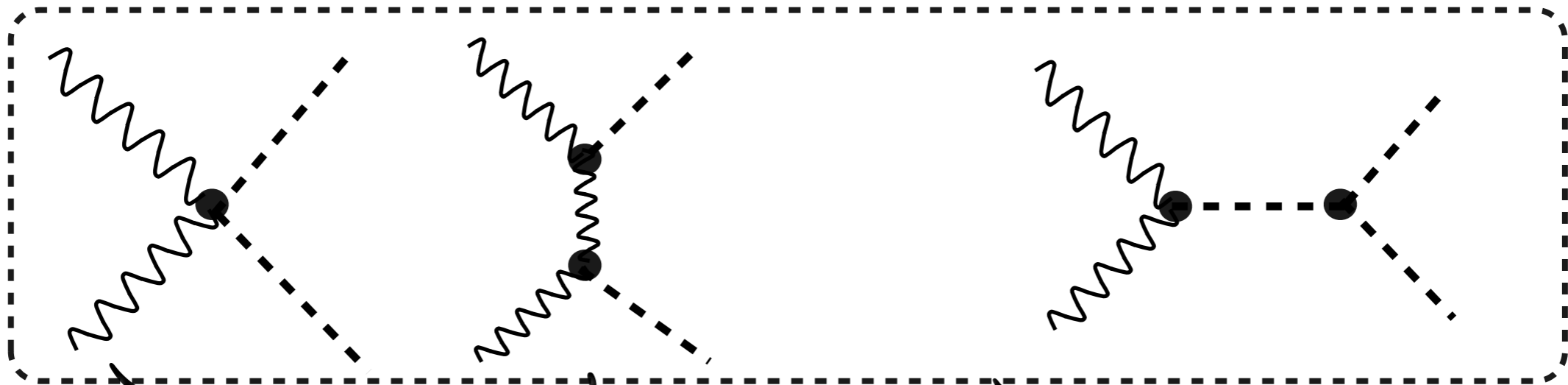
# Double Higgs production



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EWSB}} = \frac{v^2}{4} \text{Tr} (D_\mu \Sigma^\dagger D_\mu \Sigma) \left( 1 + 2a \frac{h}{v} + b \frac{h^2}{v^2} \right)$$

$$V(h) = \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 h^2 + d_3 \frac{1}{6} \left( \frac{3m_h^2}{v} \right) h^3 + d_4 \frac{1}{24} \left( \frac{3m_h^2}{v^2} \right) h^4 + \dots$$

SM:  $a=b=d_3=d_4=1$



$$A \sim (b - a^2) \frac{4m_{hh}^2}{v^2}$$

$m_{hh}^2 \gg m_W^2$

asymptotic behavior  
sensitive to strong interaction

$$A \sim \text{cst.} + 3ad_3 \frac{m_h^2}{v^2}$$

$m_{hh}^2 \sim 4m_h^2$

threshold effect  
anomalous coupling'

# Isolating Hard Scattering

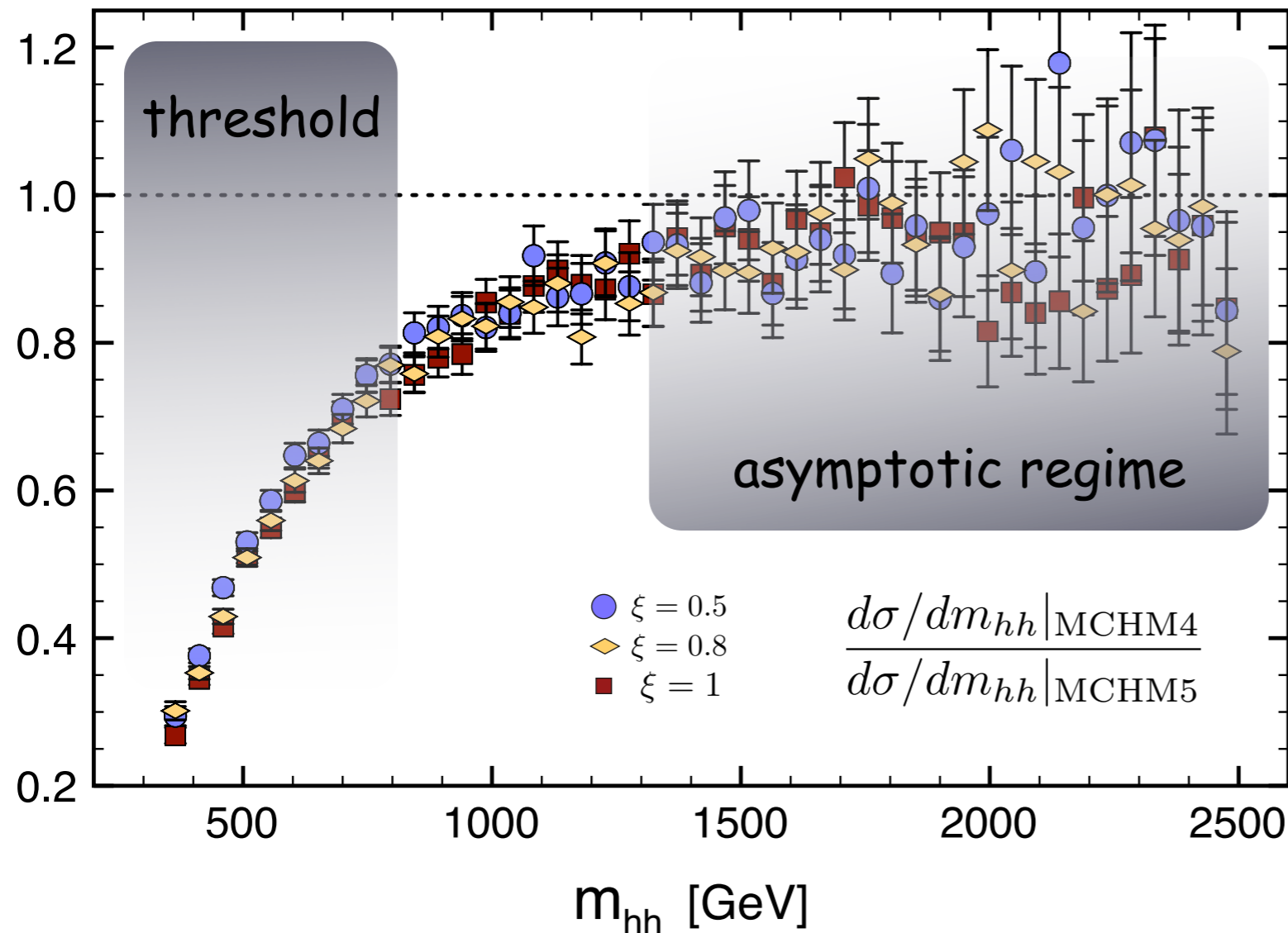
Contino, Grojean, Moretti, Piccinini, Rattazzi '10

isolate events with large  $m_{hh}$

luminosity factor drops out in ratios: extract the growth with  $m_{hh}$

measure  $H^3$

measure  $(b-a^2)$



two models with  
same asymptotic regime but  
different higgs-self-coupling

# Strong Higgs production: (3L+jets) analysis

Contino, Grojean, Moretti, Piccinini, Rattazzi '10

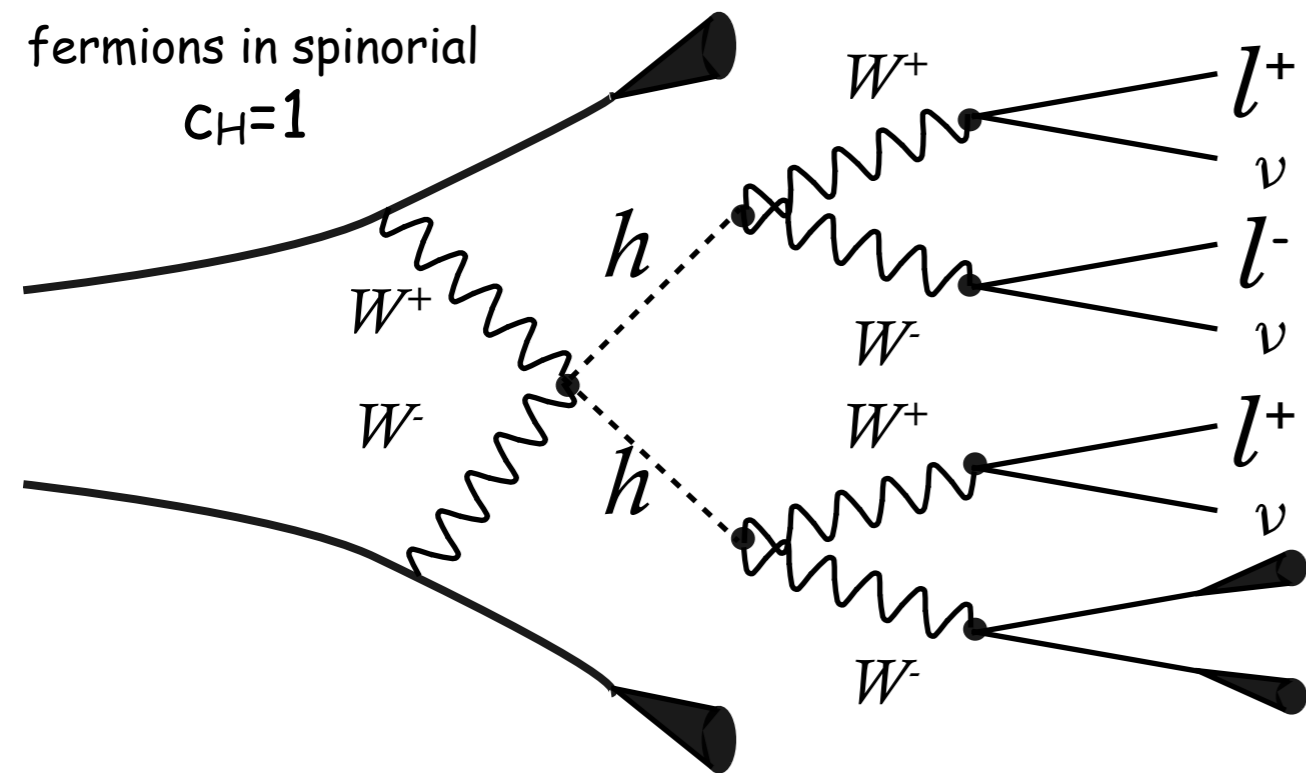
strong boson scattering  $\Leftrightarrow$  strong Higgs production

$$\mathcal{A}(Z_L^0 Z_L^0 \rightarrow hh) = \mathcal{A}(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow hh) = \frac{c_H s}{f^2}$$

$m_h = 180$  GeV

fermions in spinorial

$c_H=1$



acceptance cuts	
jets	leptons
$p_T \geq 30$ GeV	$p_T \geq 20$ GeV
$\delta R_{jj} > 0.7$	$\delta R_{lj(ll)} > 0.4(0.2)$
$ \eta_j  \leq 5$	$ \eta_j  \leq 2.4$

Dominant backgrounds:  $Wll4j$ ,  $t\bar{t}W2j$ ,  $t\bar{t}2W(j)$ ,  $3W4j$ ...

forward jet-tag, back-to-back lepton, central jet-veto

$v/f$	1	$\sqrt{0.8}$	$\sqrt{0.5}$
significance @ $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	4.0	2.9	1.3
luminosity for $5\sigma$ ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )	450	850	3500

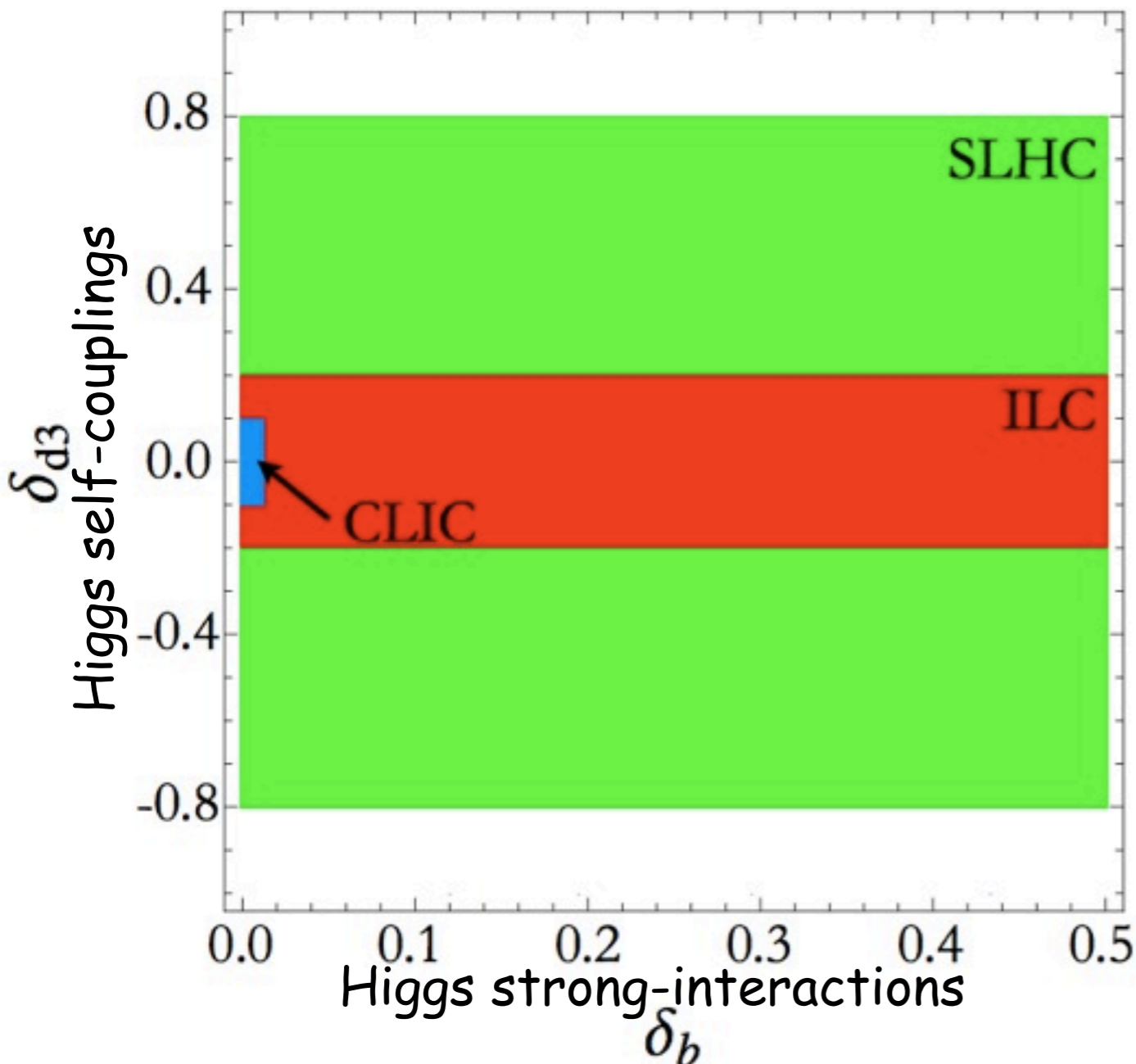
$\Leftarrow$  good motivation to SLHC

# Measuring Higgs Non-Linearities

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$$V(h) = \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 h^2 + d_3 \frac{1}{6} \left( \frac{3m_h^2}{v} \right) h^3$$



- (S)LHC is barely sensitive to  $d_3$  and  $b$
- ILC has a sensitivity on  $d_3$  but not on  $b$
- CLIC can probe both  $d_3$  and  $b$

Which probe of strong dynamics?

- Higgs self-couplings controls the dynamics of EWSB  $\Rightarrow$  red herring (various weak states can modify  $h^3$ )
- to learn about strong interactions triggering EWSB  $\Rightarrow$  need to measure quadratic coupling  $b$  to Goldstones!

*How to probe the composite nature of the Higgs?*

*3. Probing Discrete symmetries of the Strong sector*

# Geometry of Coset from $W^+W^- \rightarrow 3h$

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Strong

EWSB

$$\sigma_{2\pi \rightarrow 3\pi} \sim \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{E^2}{f^4} \frac{E^2}{(4\pi f)^2}$$

$$E/f \leftrightarrow g$$

SM

$$\sigma_{2\pi \rightarrow 3\pi} \sim \frac{1}{8\pi} \frac{g^2}{v^2} \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2}$$

Probe of possible discrete symmetries in the strong dynamics

$G/H$  symmetric space

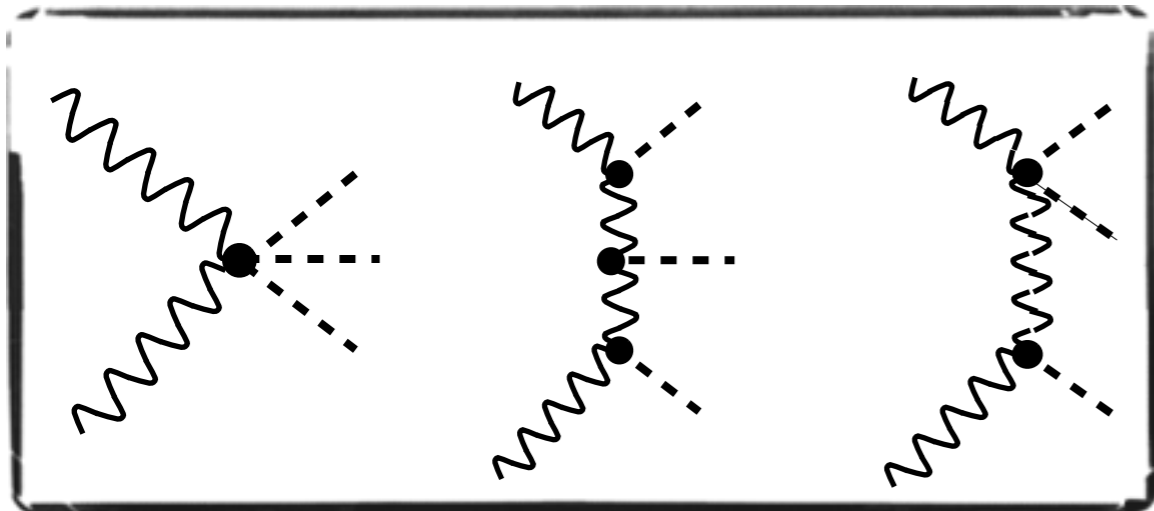


invariance under

$$\pi \rightarrow -\pi$$

selection rule

a process with an odd # of PGBs  
requires a coupling breaking the coset structure  
ie cannot be mediated by strong interactions alone



$$A_{WW \rightarrow 3h} \sim 4i \frac{s}{v^3} \left( \underbrace{a(b - a^2) - \frac{3}{4}b_3}_{=0 \text{ for symmetric coset}} \right) + \#s \times \underbrace{\left( \frac{m_W}{\sqrt{s}} \right)^2}_{\text{mediated by SM gauge interactions (breaking of coset structure)}}$$

=0 for symmetric coset

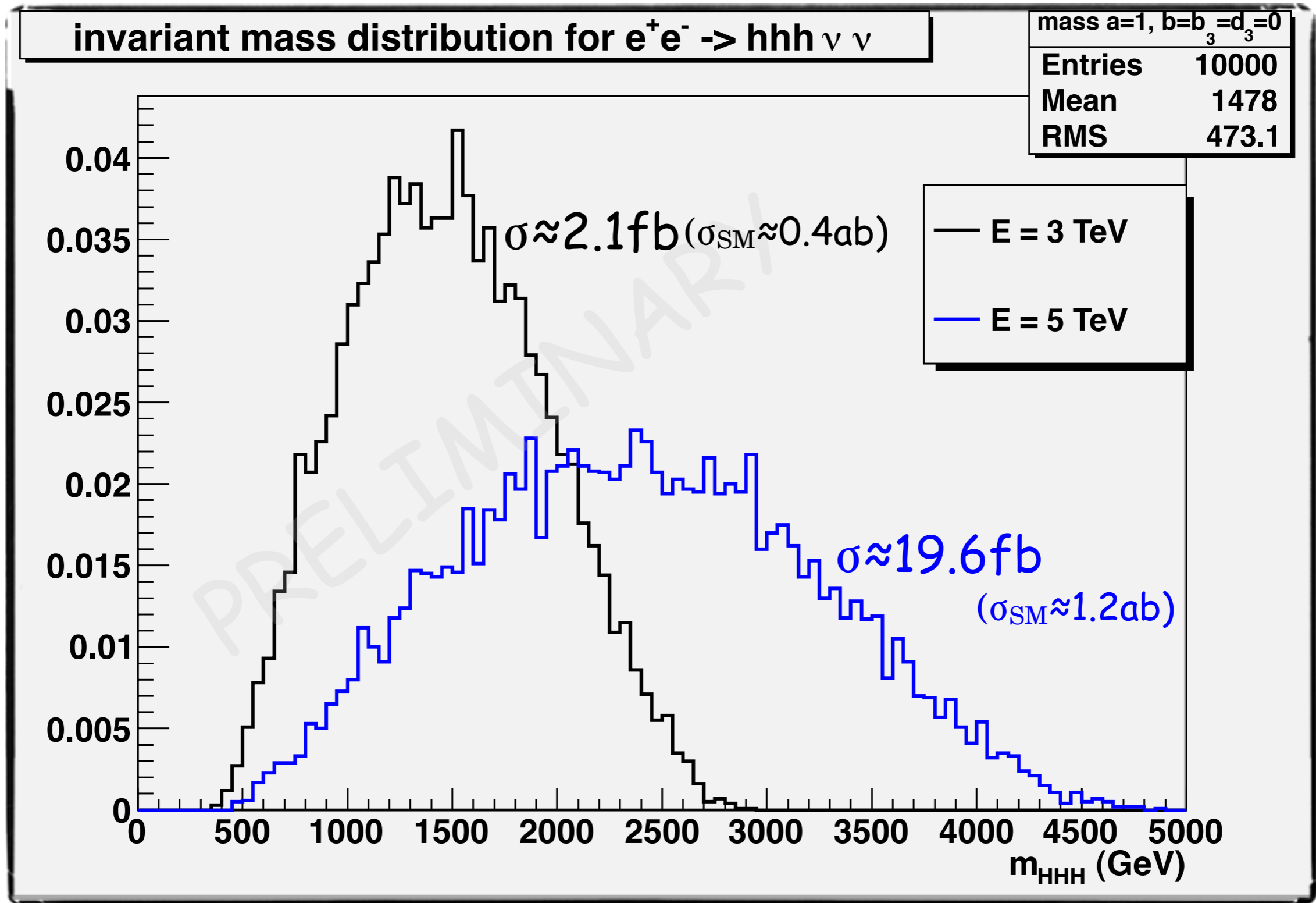
mediated by SM gauge interactions (breaking of coset structure)



# $W^+W^- \rightarrow 3h @ CLIC$

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non-symmetric coset

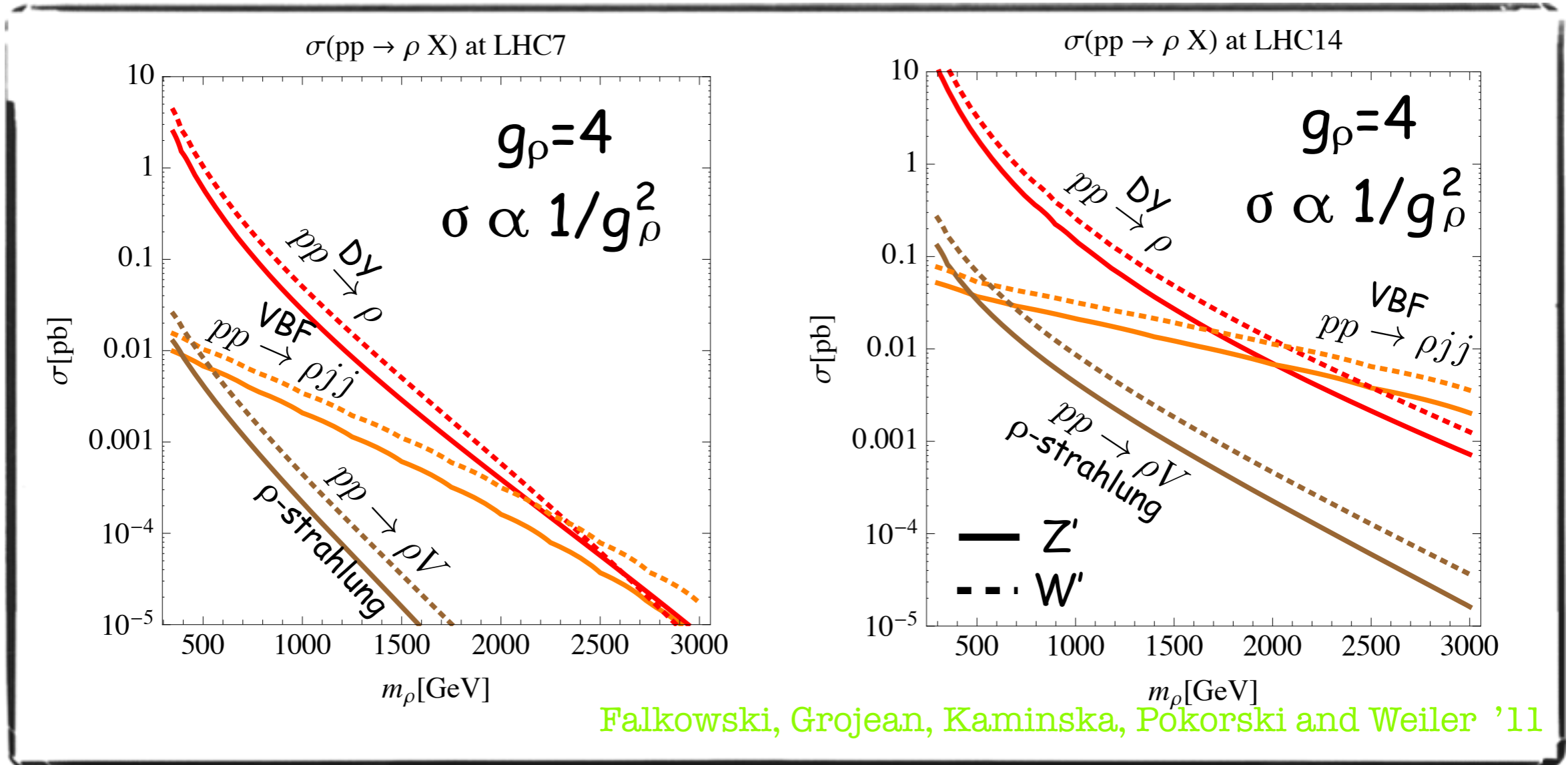


*How to probe the composite nature of the Higgs?*

*4. Resonances production*

# Resonance Searches

Observing a tower of resonances would be a direct evidence of the strong interactions  
 However, in the best configuration, LHC will have access to a few ones only



VBF vs. DY:

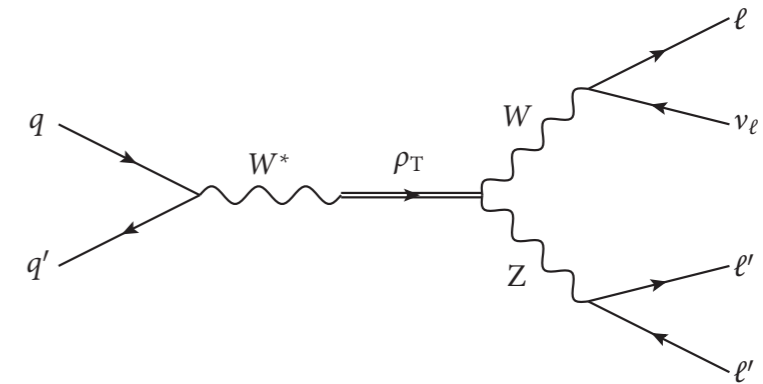
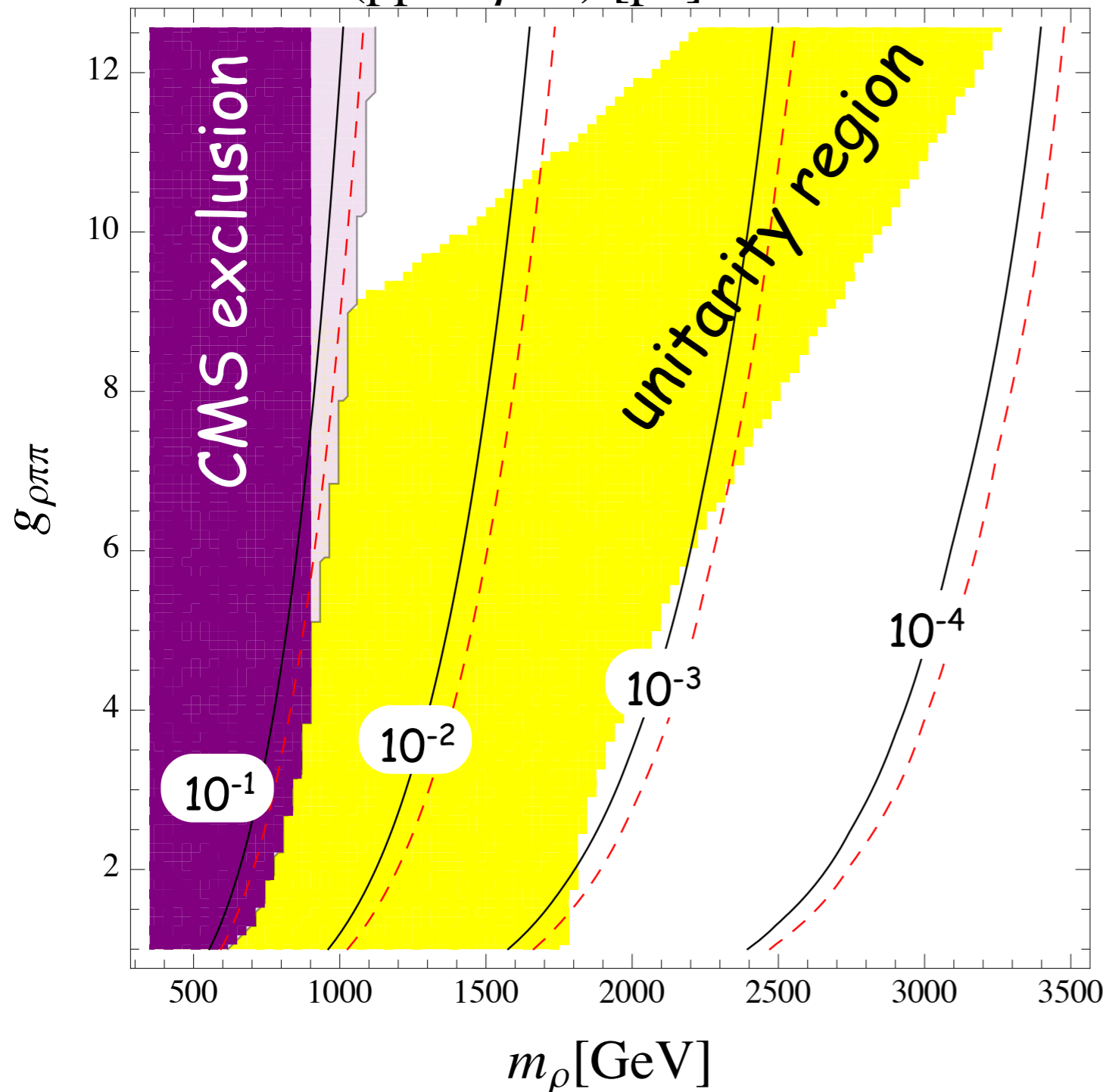
- 3-body final state
- qq initiated process  $\Rightarrow$  PDFs become more dominant at large x

# Resonance Searches

Falkowski, Grojean, Kaminska, Pokorski and Weiler '11

*higgsless setup*

$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \rho X)$  [pb] at LHC7



○ Current best limits from the  $1\text{fb}^{-1}$  CMS search for WZ resonances

[CSM-PAS-EXO-11-041](#)

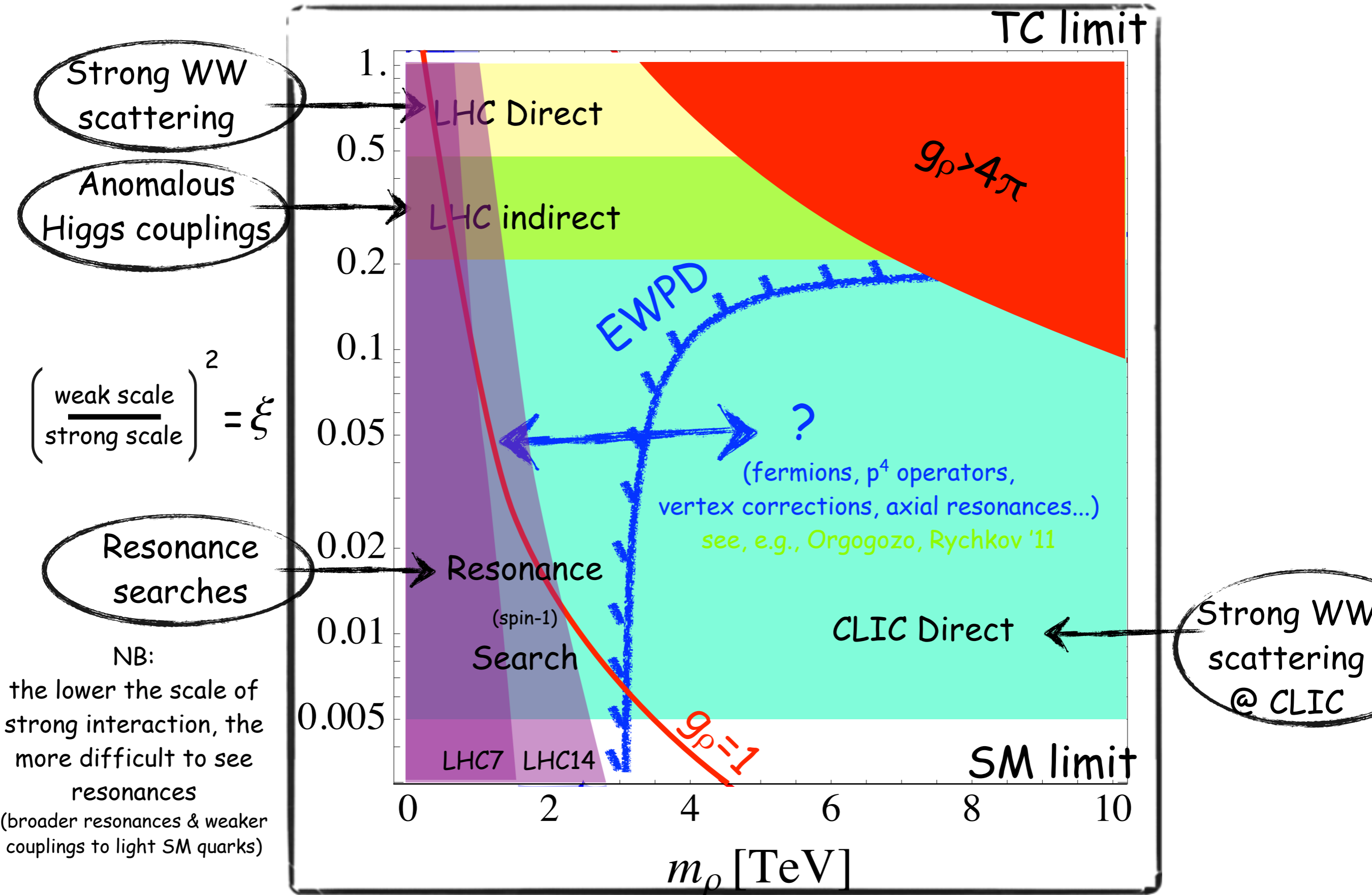
○ D0 search for WW and WZ resonances gives weaker bounds

[Abazov et al, '10](#)

○ LHC limits on leptonic Z' and W' resonances are not competitive because of the small leptonic branching fraction

# Resonance Searches vs Indirect Probes

Contino, Grojean, Pappadopulo, Rattazzi, Thamm 'in progress



# Resonance vs Heavy Gauge Boson

Grojean, Salvioni, Torre '11

How can we tell the difference between a massive gauge field and a resonance from a strong sector?

*elementary spin-1*

$$g=2 \Leftrightarrow \Lambda \gg M/e \Leftrightarrow W' \rightarrow W\gamma \text{ highly suppressed}$$

gyromagnetic ratio of any elementary particle of mass  $M$  coupled to photon must be  $g=2$  at tree-level to maintain perturbative unitarity up to energy  $\Lambda \gg M/e$

Ferrara, Porrati, Telegdi '92

*composite spin-1*

$$g \neq 2 \ \& \ \Lambda > 5 \div 10 M \Leftrightarrow W' \rightarrow W\gamma \text{ allowed and potentially large}$$

$$(g-1)B^{\mu\nu}W_{\mu}^{\prime+}W_{\nu}^{\prime-}$$

dimension-4 operator mediating  $W' \rightarrow W\gamma$  after  $W$ - $W'$  mixing



# Fermionic Resonances

[Agashe, Contino, Da Rold, Pomarol '06]

## ■ Custodial symmetry: exotic top partners

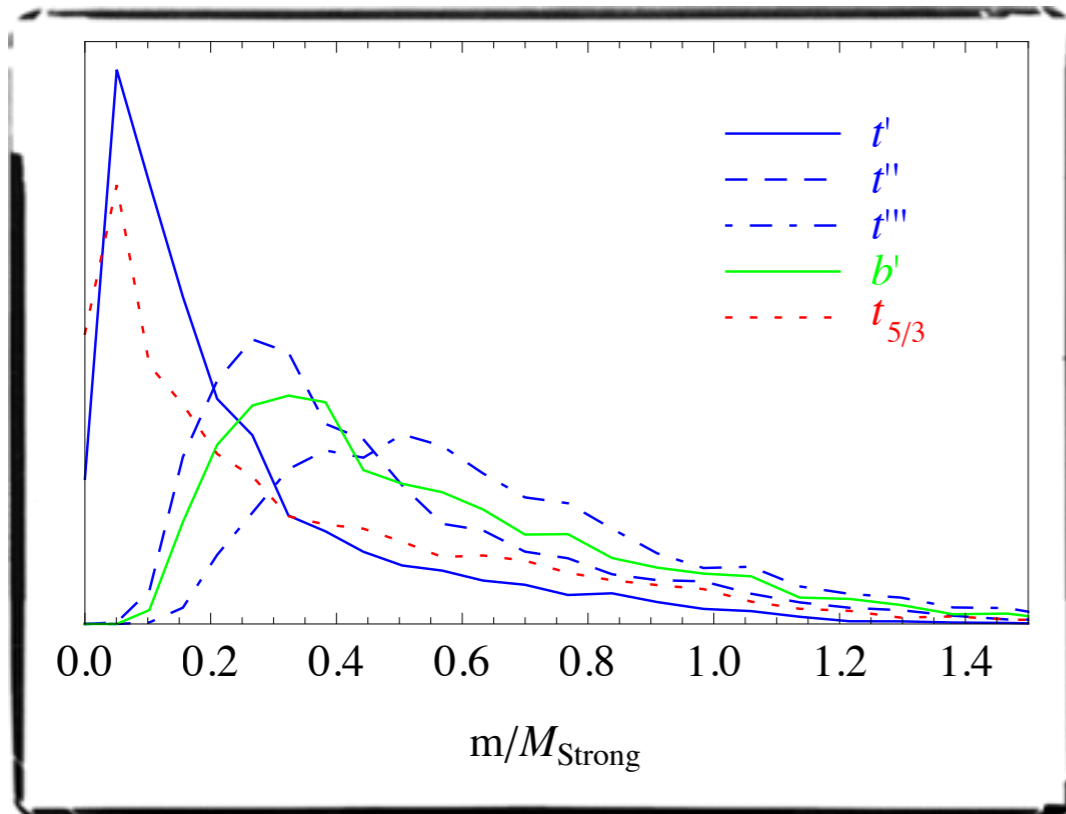
$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$  embedding

$$Q_L = \begin{pmatrix} t_L^{2/3} & t_L^{5/3} \\ b_L^{-1/3} & b_L^{2/3} \end{pmatrix} \equiv (2, \bar{2})_{2/3}$$

$$t_R \equiv (1, 1)_{2/3}$$

$$b_R \equiv (1, 1)_{-1/3}$$

$\Rightarrow \delta Z_{b_L \bar{b}_L} = 0$



Panico, Wulzer '11

partial compositeness



the heavier the SM quark,  
the lighter its resonances and partners

the top sector is  
a promising place to look  
for strong dynamics

# Searching for Exotic Top Partners

## Search in same-sign di-lepton events

[Contino, Servant '08]

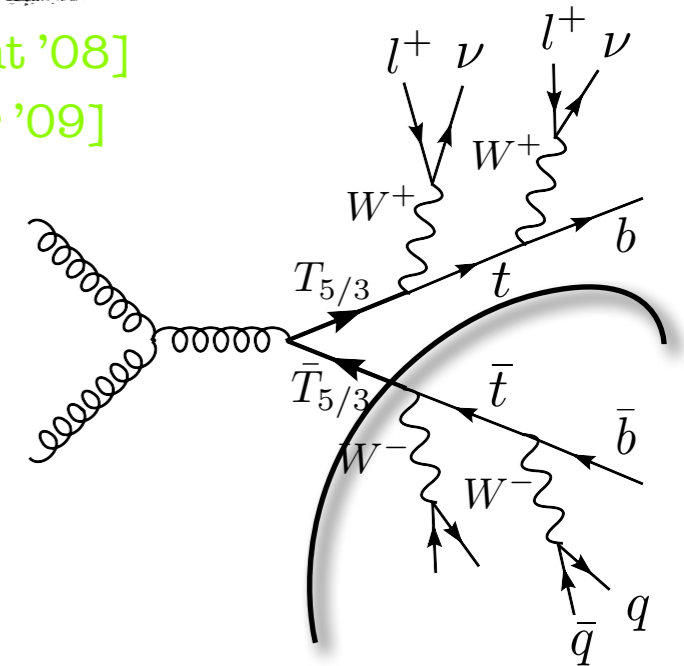
[Mrazek, Wulzer '09]

- $tt+jets$  is not a background [except for charge mis-ID and fake  $e^-$ ]
- the resonant ( $tW$ ) invariant mass can be reconstructed

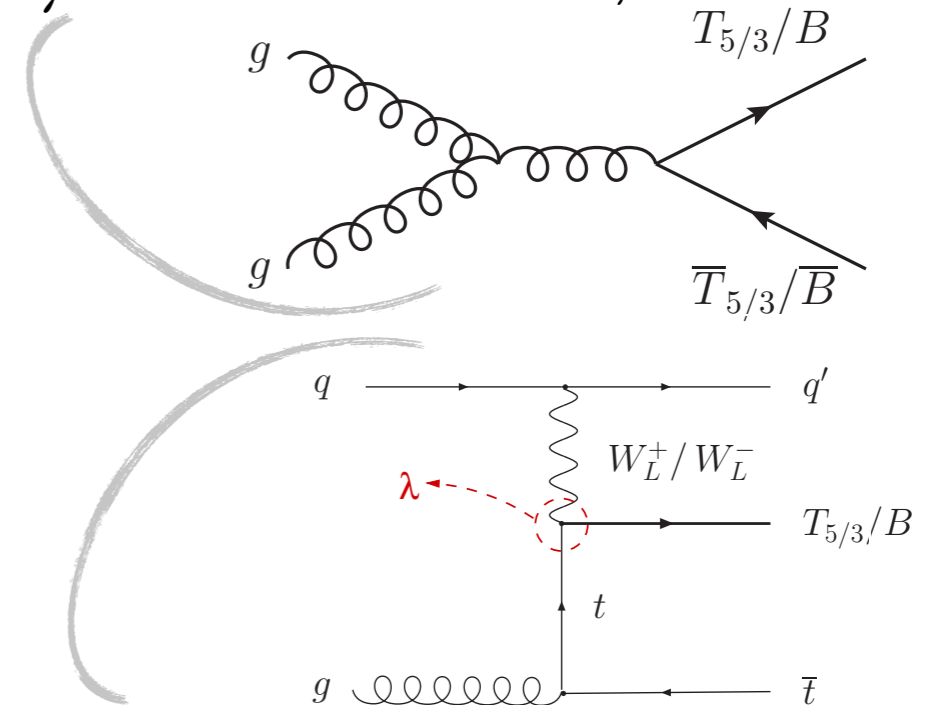
discovery potential (LHC<sub>14TeV</sub>)

$M_{5/3}=500 \text{ GeV}$  ( $\sigma \times BR \approx 100/\text{fb}$ )  $\rightarrow 56 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

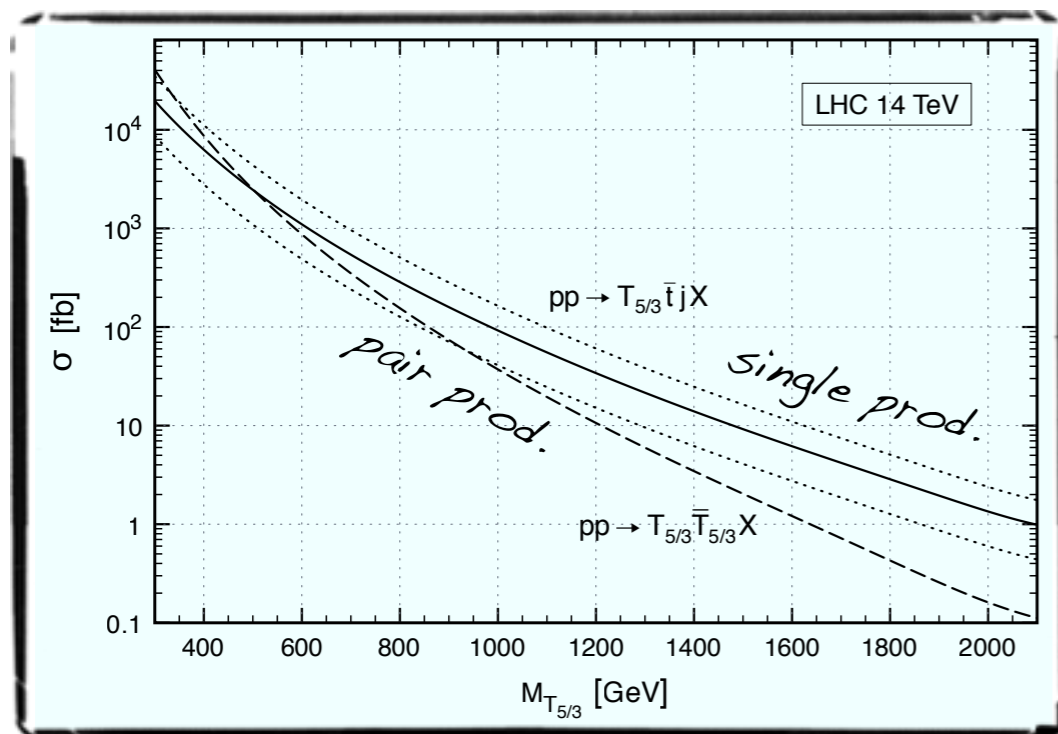
$M_{5/3}=1 \text{ TeV}$  ( $\sigma \times BR \approx 2/\text{fb}$ )  $\rightarrow 15 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Pair production (model independent)



Single production (model dependent)



[Contino, Servant '08]

# Conclusions

EW interactions need Goldstone bosons to provide mass to  $W, Z$



EW interactions also need a UV moderator/new physics  
to unitarize  $WW$  scattering amplitude

We'll need another Gargamelle experiment  
to discover the still missing neutral current of the SM: the Higgs  
weak NC  $\Leftrightarrow$  gauge principle  
Higgs NC  $\Leftrightarrow$  ?

Strong EWSB w/o an elementary Higgs can be very similar to SM

it might take a long time to decipher the true dynamics of EWSB!