

# High- $p_T$ dilepton tails and Flavour Physics

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Based on [Greljo, Marzocca 1704.09015]

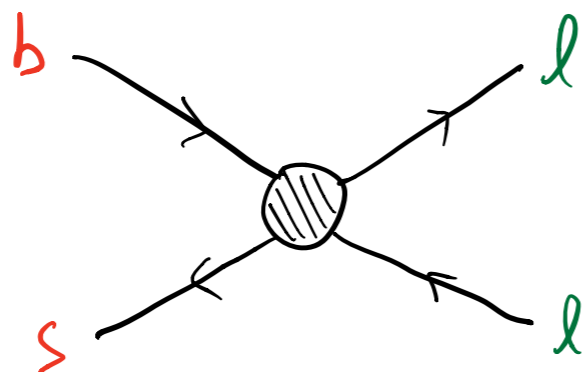
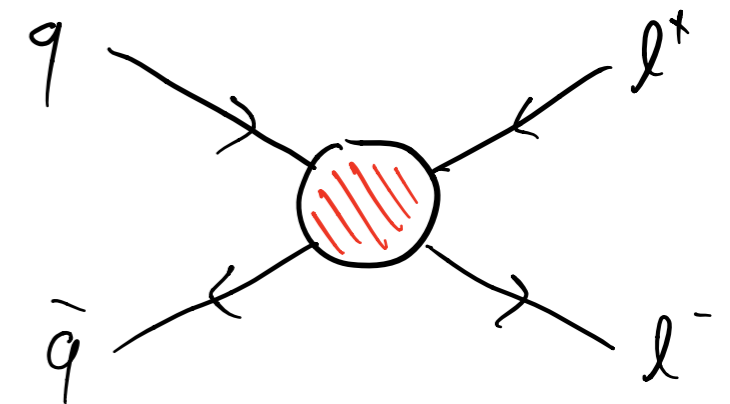
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# Outline

Introduction

SMEFT limits from high-energy dilepton tails

Application to neutral-current B-physics anomalies



# Indirect searches of New Physics

Precision measurements of SM processes can allow to test New Physics at scales not reachable by direct searches.

The SM EFT allows to describe the low-energy effects of heavy New Physics

SM + heavy New Physics

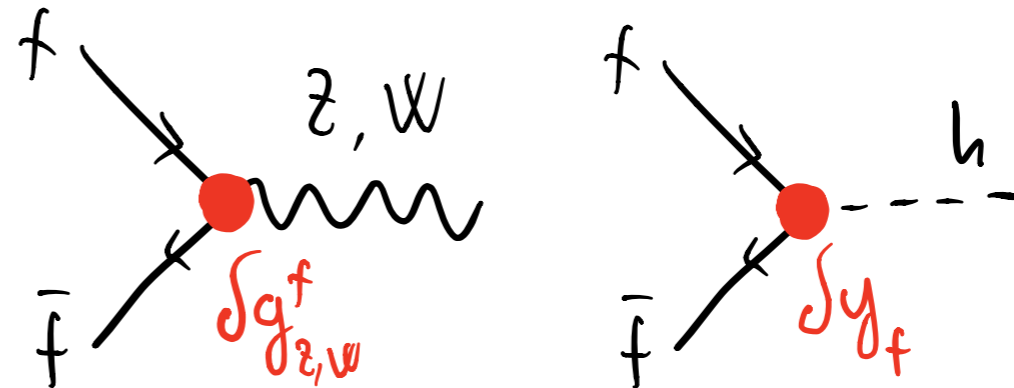
$$E, m_Z \ll \Lambda \quad \mathcal{L}^{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \boxed{\sum_i \frac{c_i^{(6)}}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)}} + \sum_j \frac{c_j^{(8)}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_j^{(8)} + \dots$$

We can describe **small deviations from the SM** in an expansion of **Energy over the mass scale** of New Physics.

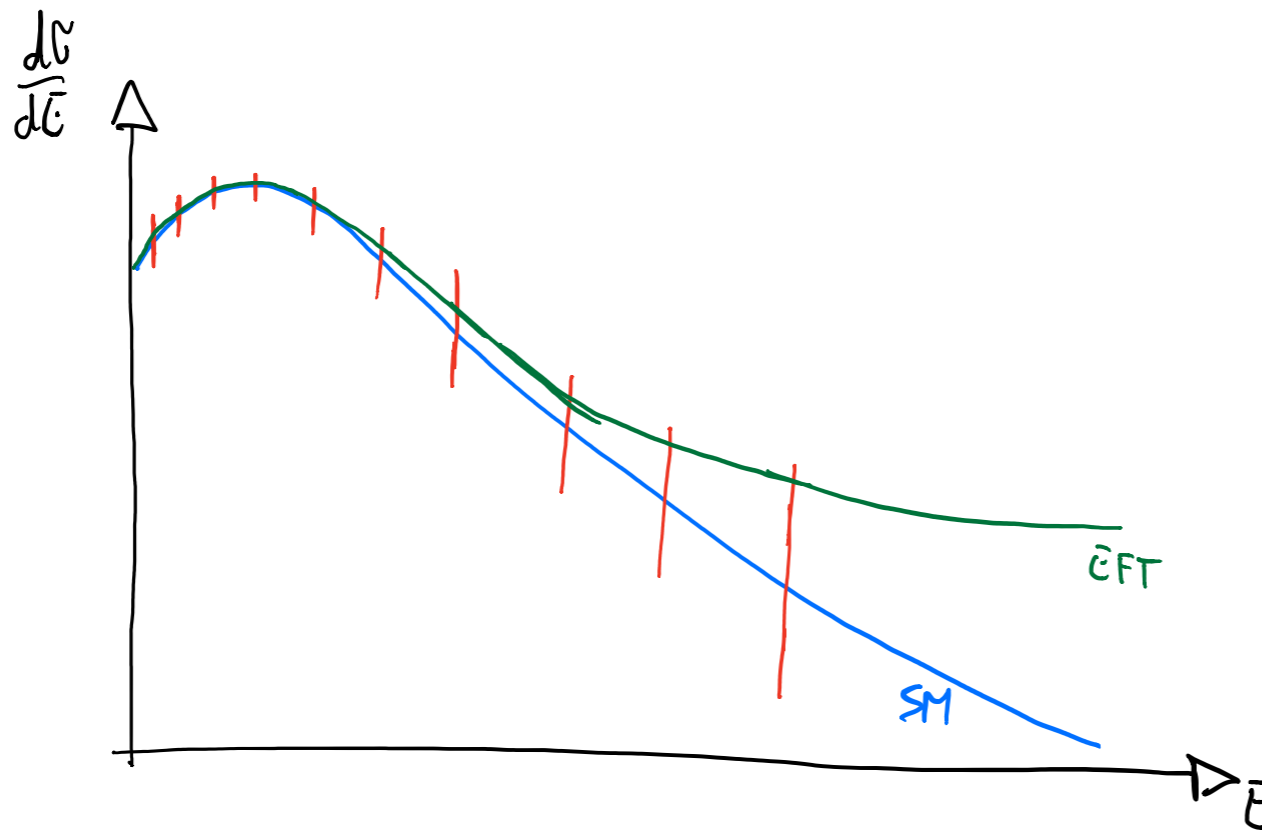
# Two broad strategies for looking for deviations from the SM

1)

Deviations in on-shell\*  
couplings between SM  
particles



2)



Deviations in the tails of  
differential distributions

$$A_{\text{BSM}} / A_{\text{SM}} \sim E^2$$

# 1) *Z(W)-pole observables, Higgs couplings,..*

The relative deviation from the SM is:

$$\delta_{\text{pole}} \sim \mathcal{O} \left( g_*^2 \frac{m_Z^2}{\Lambda^2} \right) \quad c_i \sim g_*^2$$

$$\text{LEP-I: } \delta_{\text{pole}} \lesssim 10^{-3} \quad \xrightarrow{g_* \sim 1} \quad \Lambda \gtrsim 3 \text{ TeV}$$

At LHC these measurements are **limited by systematic** (incl. theory) uncertainties.

Not much room for improvement beyond  $\sim$  (few) % level  
[few exceptions, e.g.  $m_W$  ]

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Less precise measurements at high energy can be competitive with very precise ones at low energy.

We focus on **operators**  
whose interfering amplitude with the SM  
**grows quadratically with the energy**

# EFT validity

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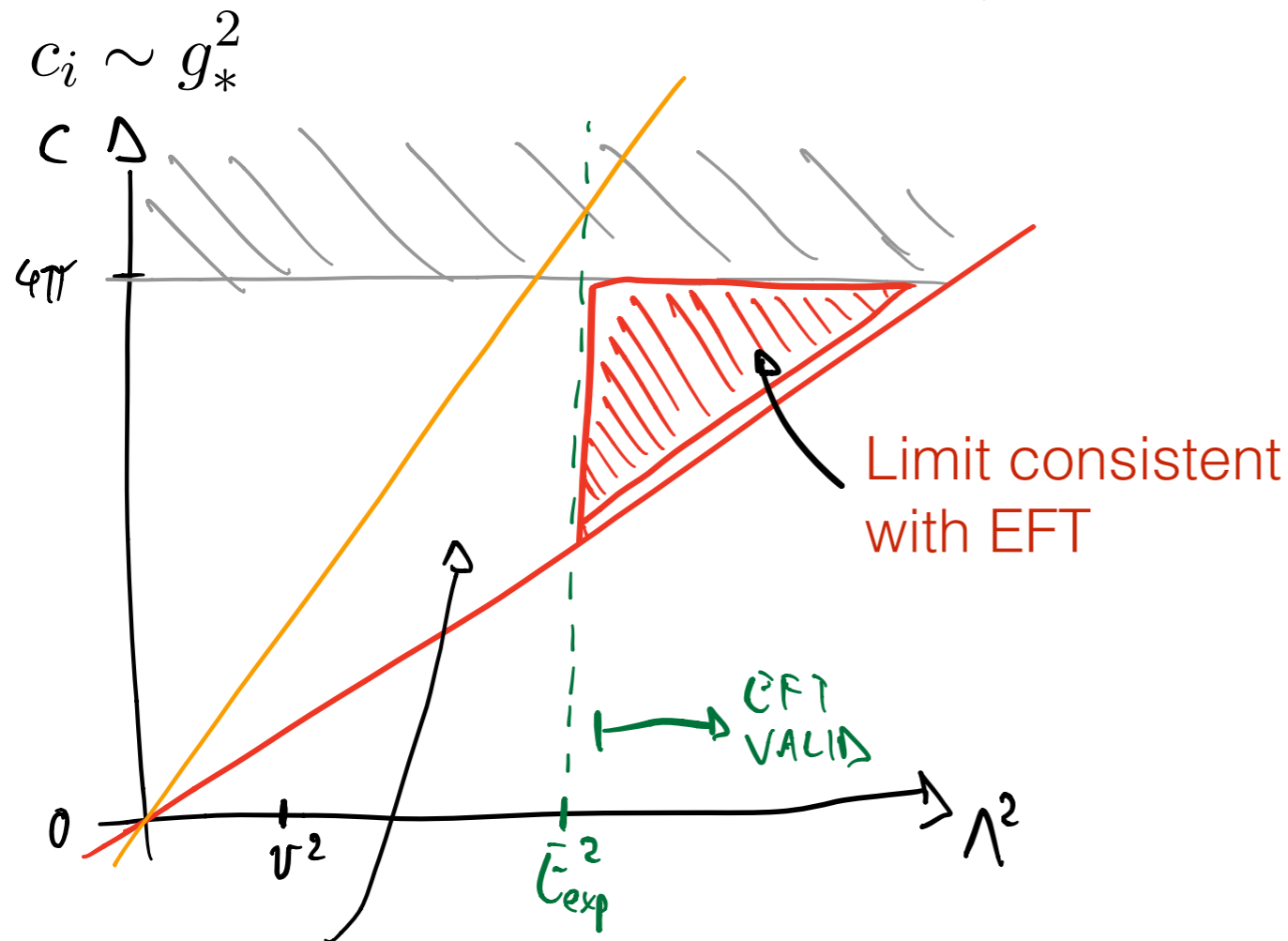
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Bad precision at high energy could mean that no scenario is being probed consistently with the EFT.

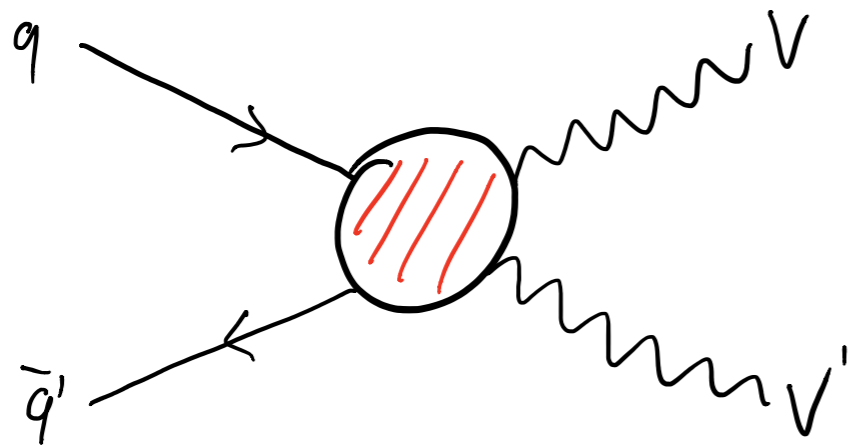
Increasing the precision enlarges the size of the triangle, accessing more weakly coupled models.

This region is possibly excluded by same search, but using a 'direct search' approach.

# 2 → 2 processes at high- $p_T$

In this talk I will focus on:

## Diboson (and VH) production

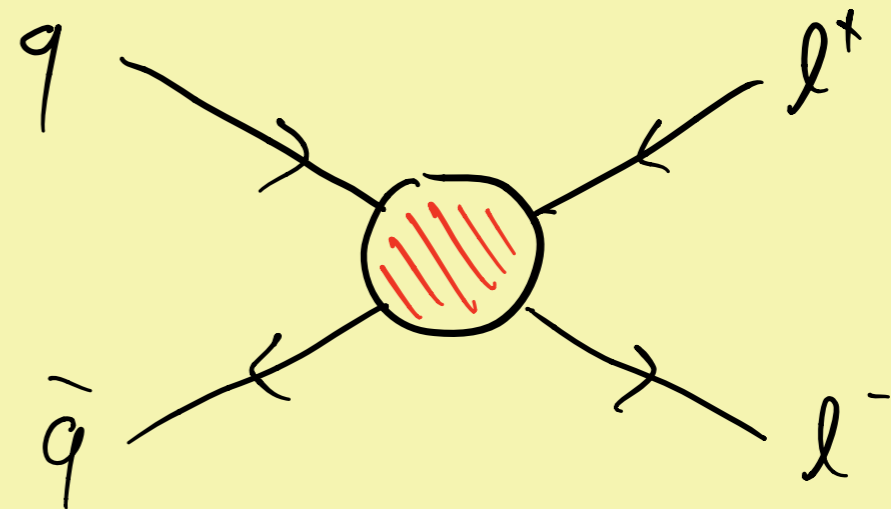


Constraints on  
 $qqHD_\mu H$  operators.

or anomalous **triple-gauge couplings**  
(aTGC)

See e.g. 1712.01310

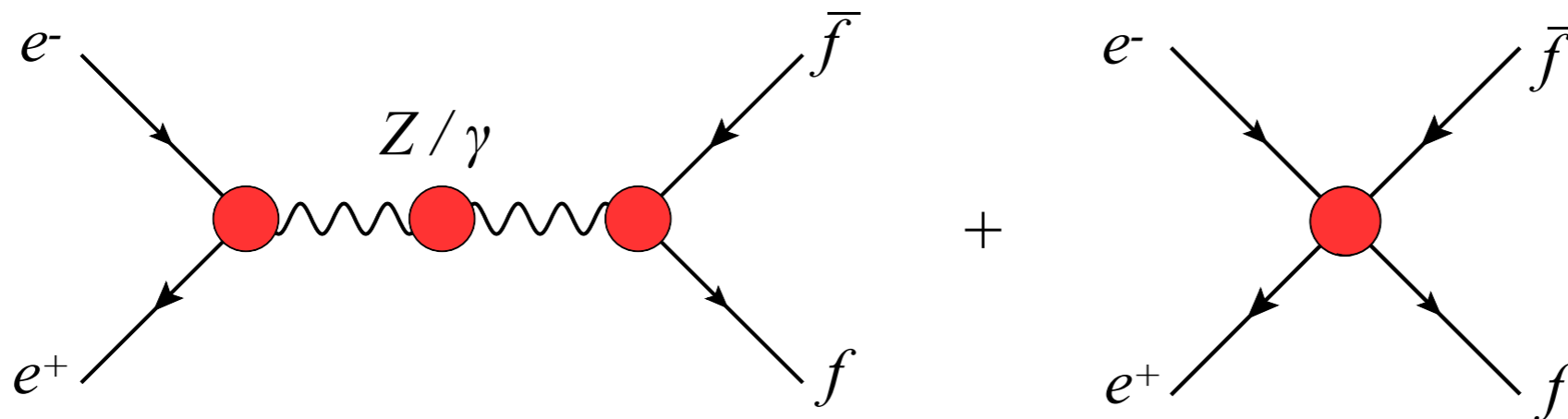
## Dilepton production at high $m_{\ell\ell}$



Constraints on  $qq\ell\ell$   
**four-fermion operators**

# LEP-2 $f\bar{f}$ data

The  $Z$  (or  $\gamma$ ) is off-shell



This bounds four-fermion operators

See [Falkowski et al. 1511.07434] for global fit of 4-lepton operators

Assuming “universality” (i.e. only  $Z, W$  propagators are affected)

	universal form factor ( $\mathcal{L}$ )	contact operator ( $\mathcal{L}'$ )
W	$-\frac{W}{4m_W^2} (D_\rho W_{\mu\nu}^a)^2$	$-\frac{g_2^2 W}{2m_W^2} J_{L\mu}^a J_{L\mu}^a$
Y	$-\frac{Y}{4m_W^2} (\partial_\rho B_{\mu\nu})^2$	$-\frac{g_1^2 Y}{2m_W^2} J_{Y\mu} J_{Y\mu}$

W and Y parameters of

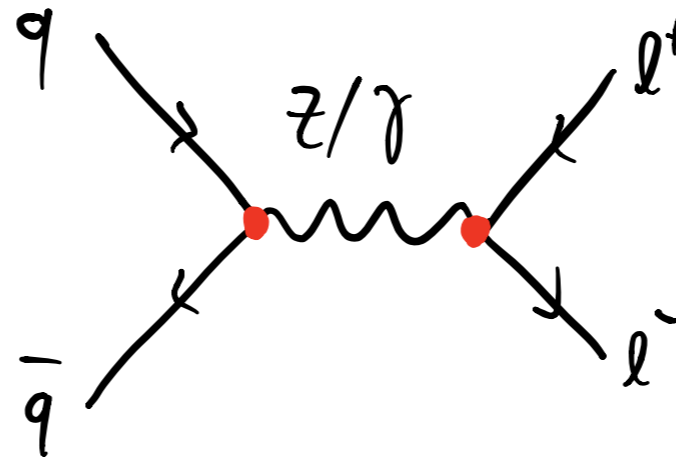
[Barbieri et al. hep-ph/0405040]

$\sim 10^{-3}$  precision from LEP

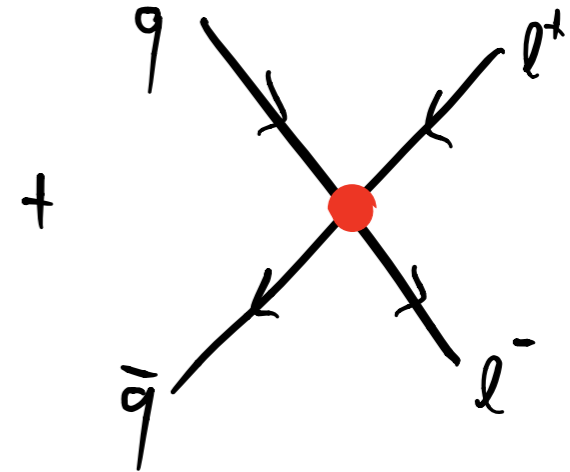
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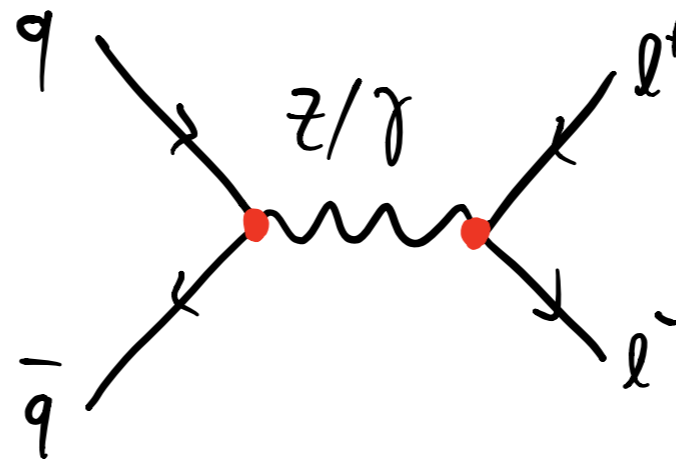
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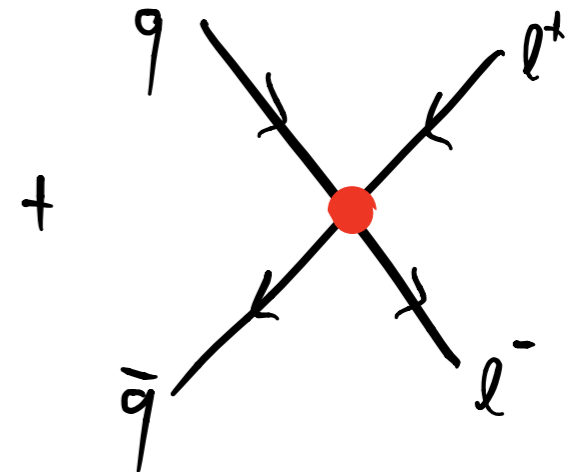
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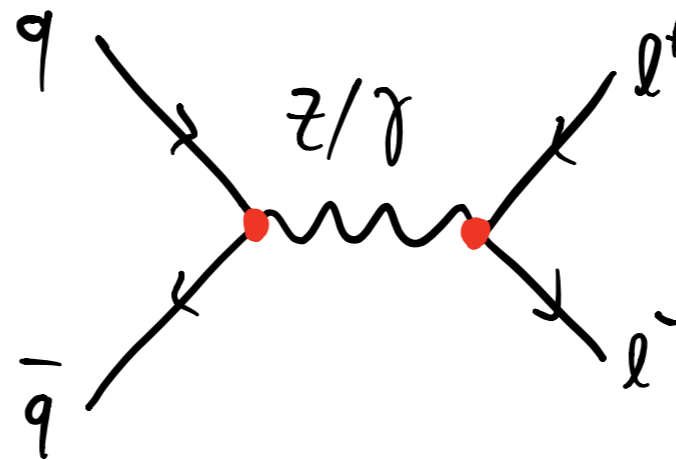
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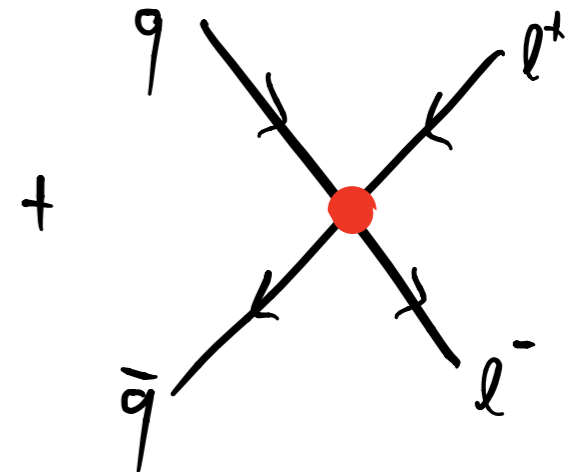
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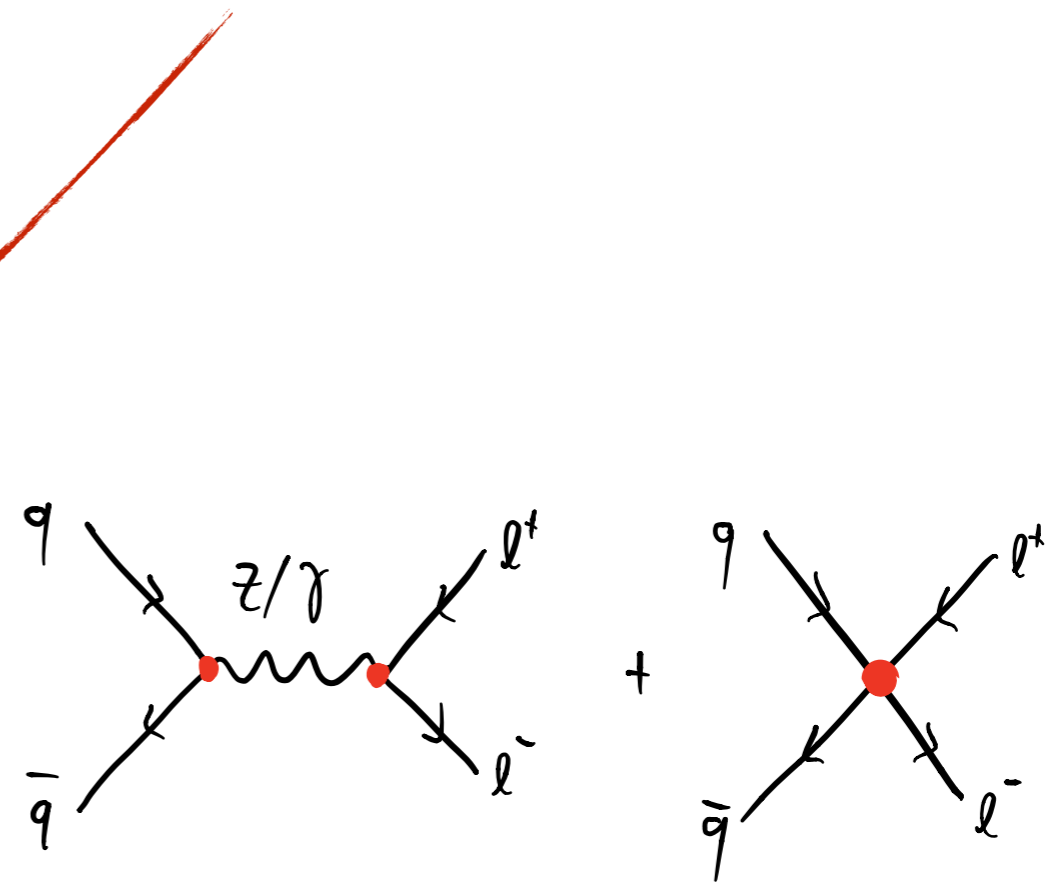
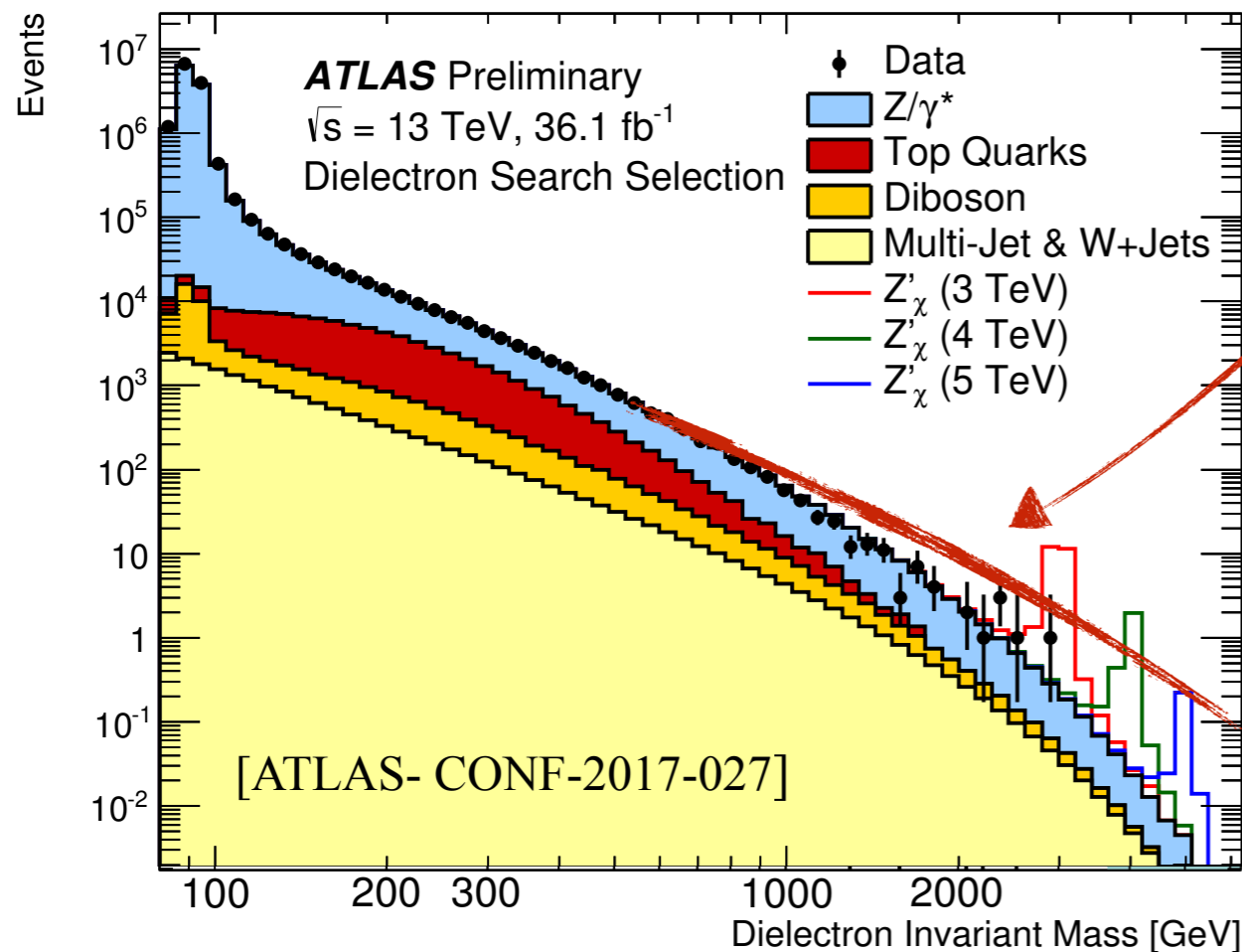
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau} = \left( \frac{d\sigma}{d\tau} \right)_{\text{SM}} \times \frac{\sum_{q,\ell} \mathcal{L}_{q\bar{q}}(\tau, \mu_F) |F_{q\ell}(\tau s_0)|^2}{\sum_{q,\ell} \mathcal{L}_{q\bar{q}}(\tau, \mu_F) |F_{q\ell}^{\text{SM}}(\tau s_0)|^2}$$

$$\tau \equiv m_{\ell^+ \ell^-}^2 / s_0$$

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Just rescale the SM prediction with this factor and compare with the experimental results.

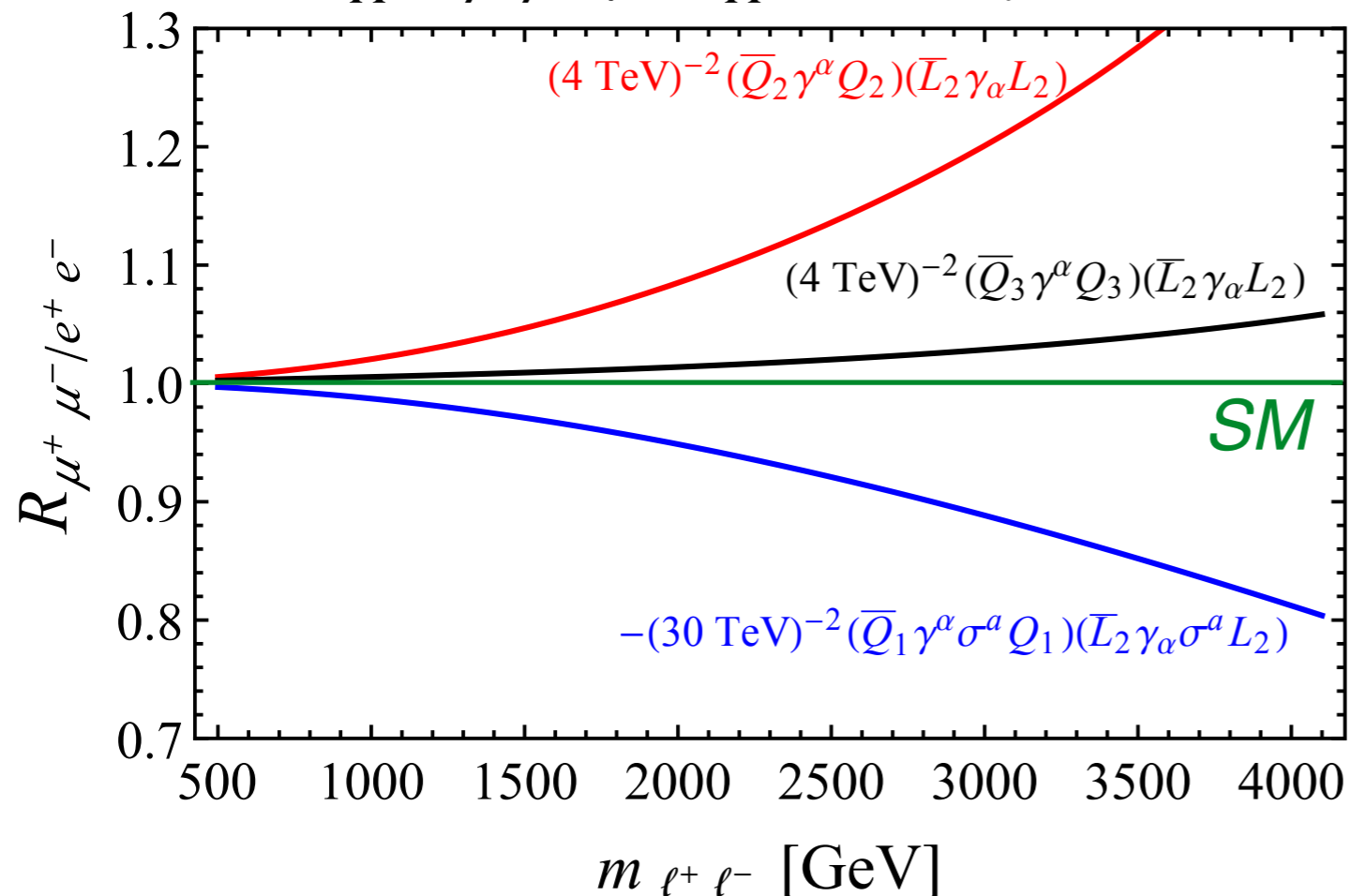


# Lepton Flavour Universality ratio

## Differential LFU ratio

$$R_{\mu^+\mu^-/e^+e^-}(m_{\ell\ell}) \equiv \frac{d\sigma_{\mu\mu}}{dm_{\ell\ell}} / \frac{d\sigma_{ee}}{dm_{\ell\ell}} = \frac{\sum_{q,\mu} \mathcal{L}_{q\bar{q}}(m_{\ell\ell}^2/s_0, \mu_F) |F_{q\mu}(m_{\ell\ell}^2)|^2}{\sum_{q,e} \mathcal{L}_{q\bar{q}}(m_{\ell\ell}^2/s_0, \mu_F) |F_{qe}(m_{\ell\ell}^2)|^2}$$

$d\sigma(pp \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-) / d\sigma(pp \rightarrow e^+e^-), s_0 = (13 \text{ TeV})^2$

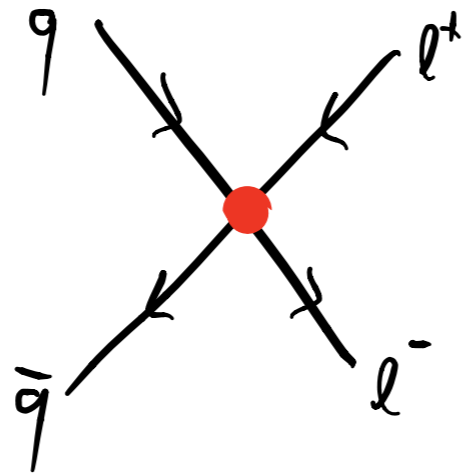


QCD and EW corrections are flavour universal: such ratios will reduce theory uncertainties in the SM prediction.

Tests of LFU are strongly motivated by the B-physics anomalies.



# Limits on 36 4-fermion operators



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \sum_i \frac{C_i}{v^2} \mathcal{O}_i$$

Neglecting flavour-violation, in the **Warsaw basis** there are **36 independent  $qq\ell\ell$**  ( $\ell=e,\mu$ ) operators which interfere with the SM amplitude (i.e. vector-type) in  $pp \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ .

Having different chiralities and field content, they do not interfere with each other.

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$C_{u_R L^1}$	$[-0.19, 1.92] \times 10^{-3}$	$[-1.56, 1.92] \times 10^{-4}$	$C_{u_R L^2}$	$[-0.84, 1.61] \times 10^{-3}$	$[-2.00, 2.66] \times 10^{-4}$
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**$\sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$  precision now**

$$C = \frac{g_x^2 v^2}{M^2} \quad g_x = 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad M \gtrsim 8 \text{ TeV}$$

**a 5-10 -fold improvement at HL-LHC**

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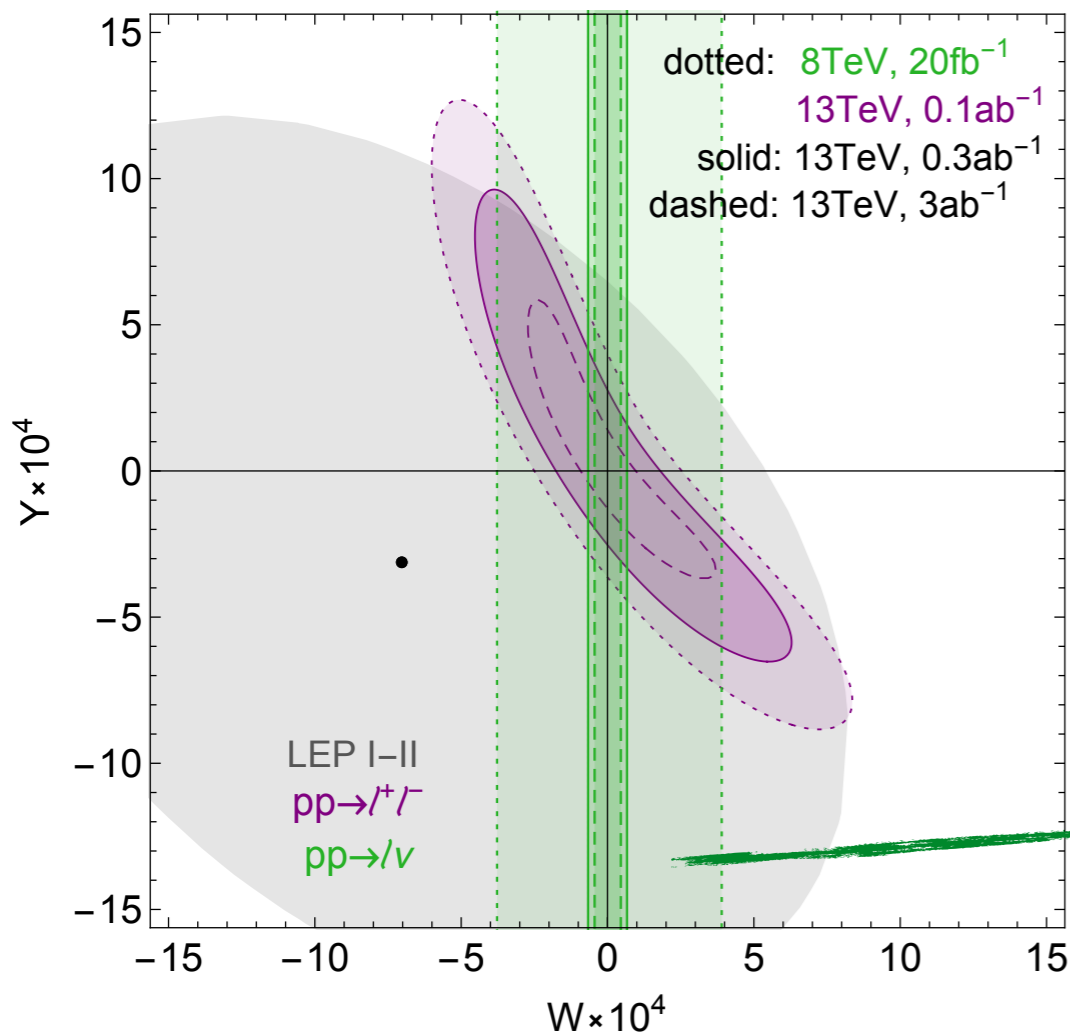
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# Assuming Universality

[Farina, Panico, Pappadopulo, Ruderman, Torre, Wulzer 1609.08157]

All 4-fermion operators aligned with the W and B currents:

$$-\frac{g_2^2 W}{2m_W^2} J_{L\mu}^a J_{L\mu}^a \quad -\frac{g_1^2 Y}{2m_W^2} J_{Y\mu} J_{Y\mu}$$



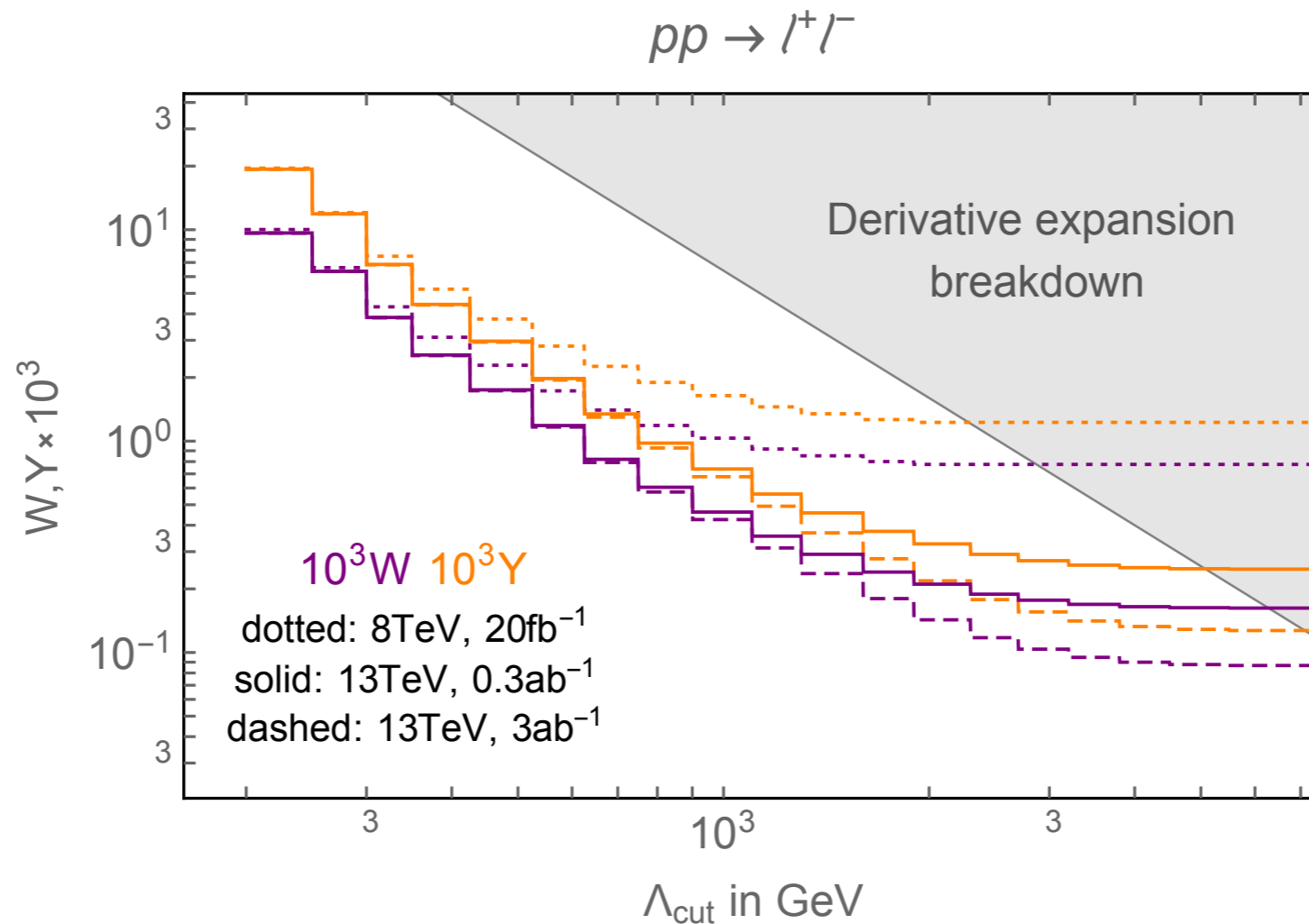
Limits from LHC are already competitive/better than those from LEP and will improve even more with more data.

$pp \rightarrow \ell\nu$  has also potential to provide strong bounds!

# Controlling the EFT (II)

[Farina, Panico, Pappadopulo, Ruderman, Torre, Wulzer 1609.08157]

How do the limits vary when using **only events with**  $m_{\ell\ell} < \Lambda_{\text{cut}}$  ?



**Limits saturate at  $\Lambda_{\text{cut}} \sim 2\text{-}3$  TeV at 13TeV.**

(more luminosity  $\rightarrow$  more events at high energy)

# Application to B-physics anomalies

# Neutral-current B-anomalies

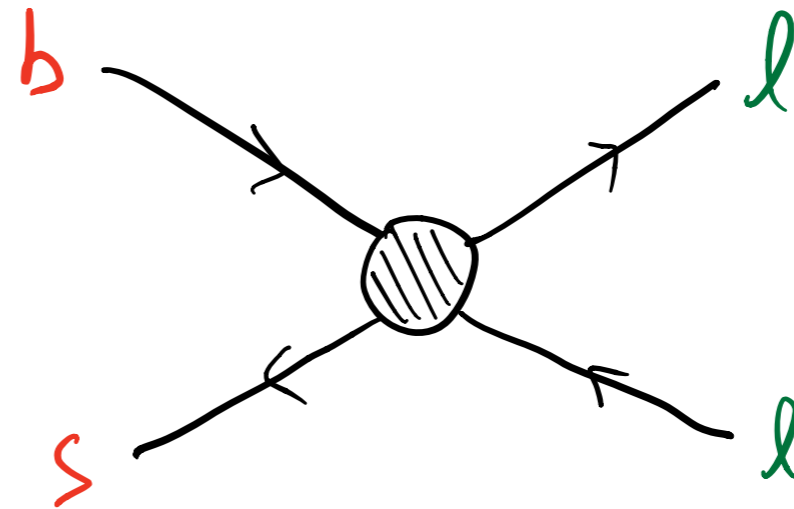
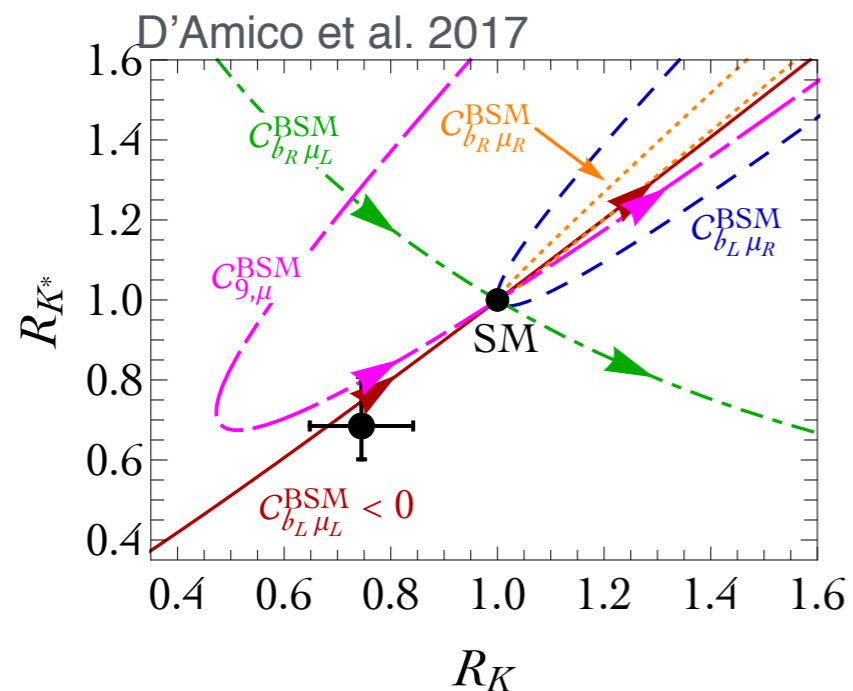
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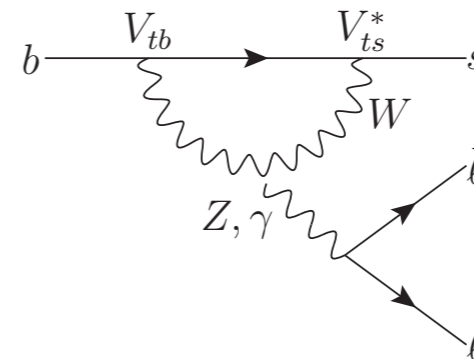
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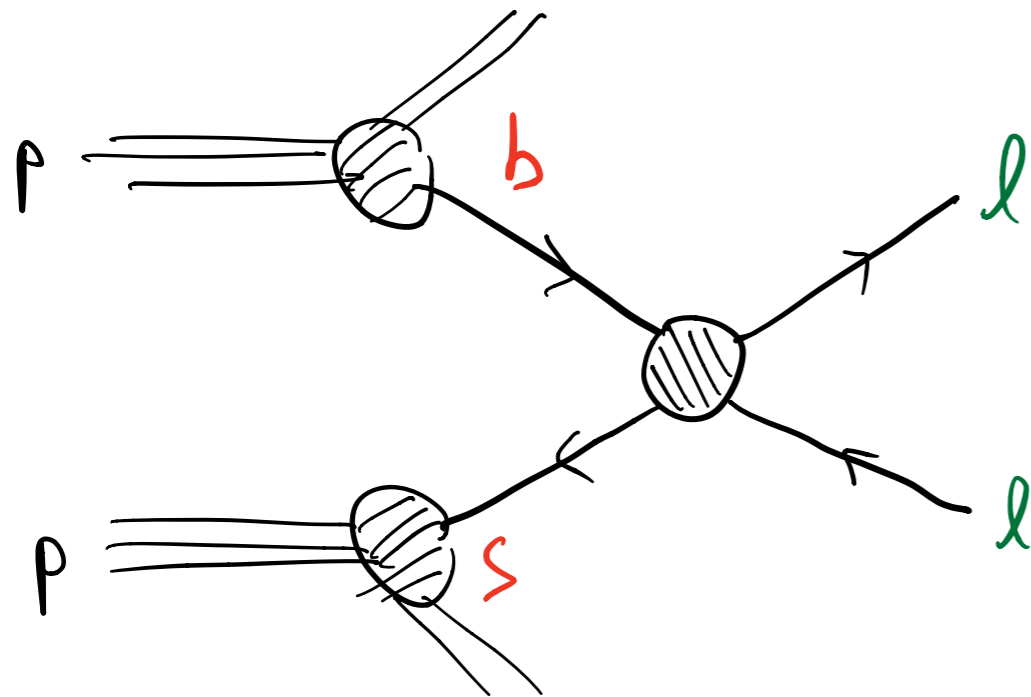


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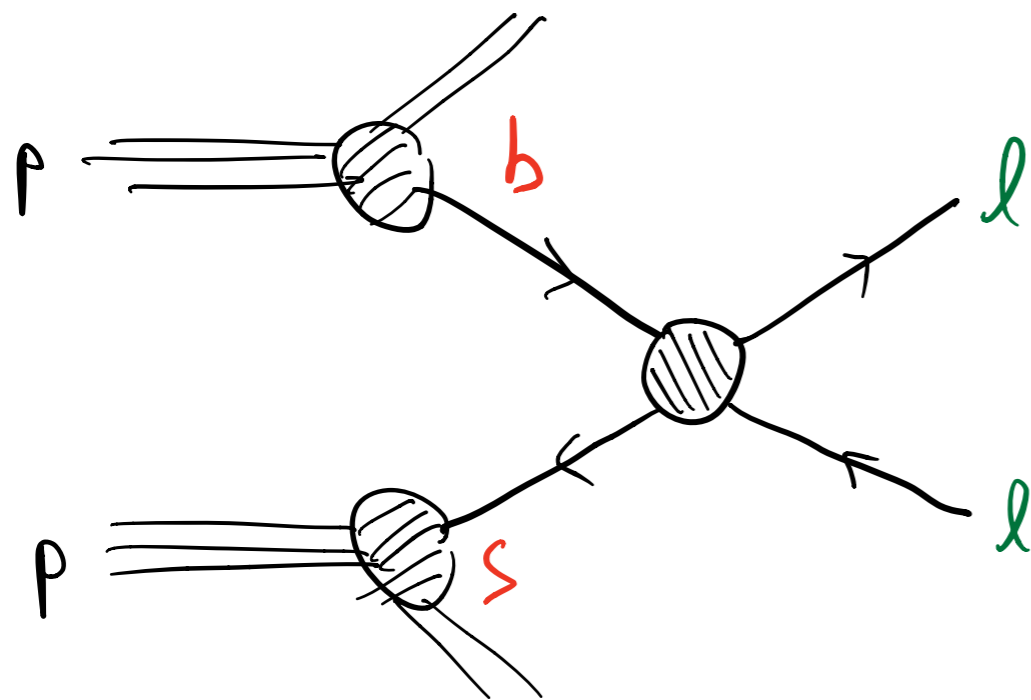
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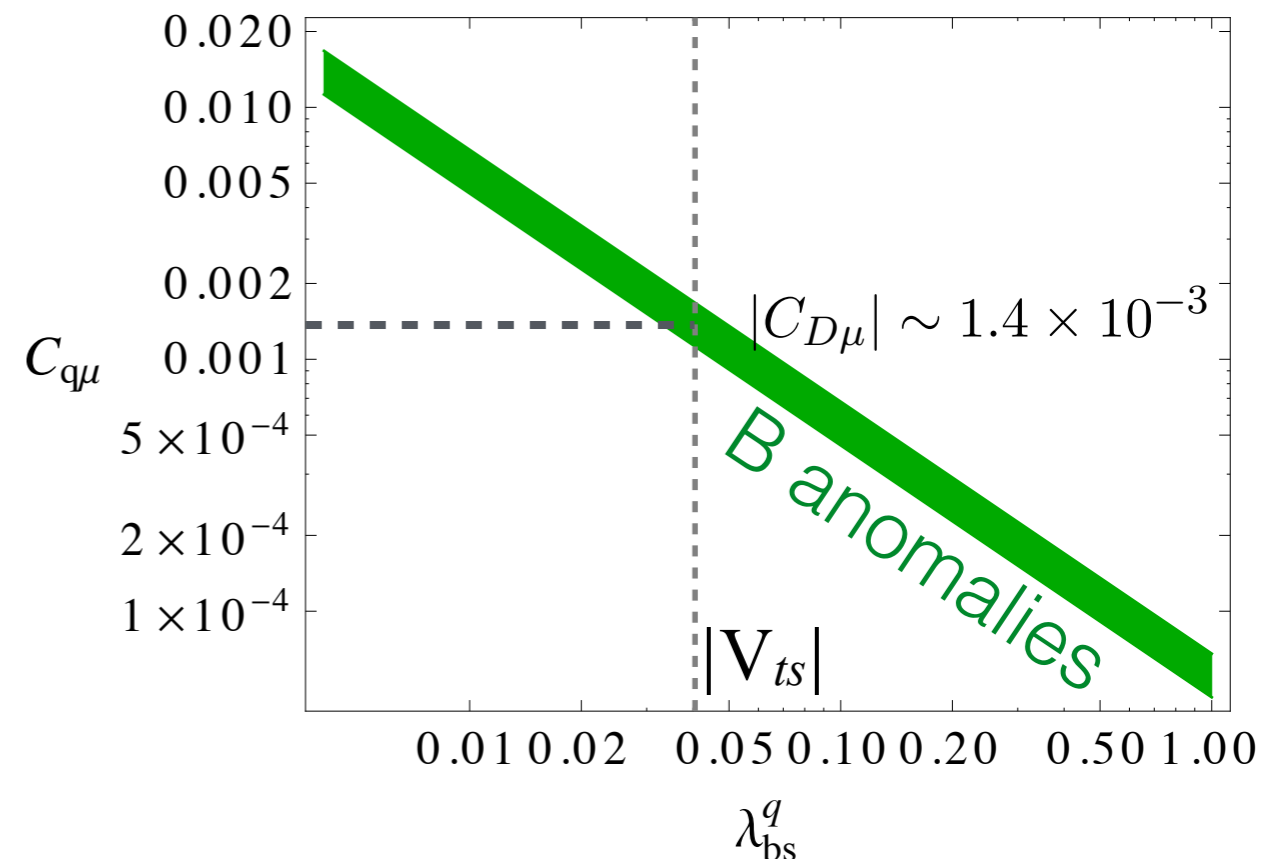
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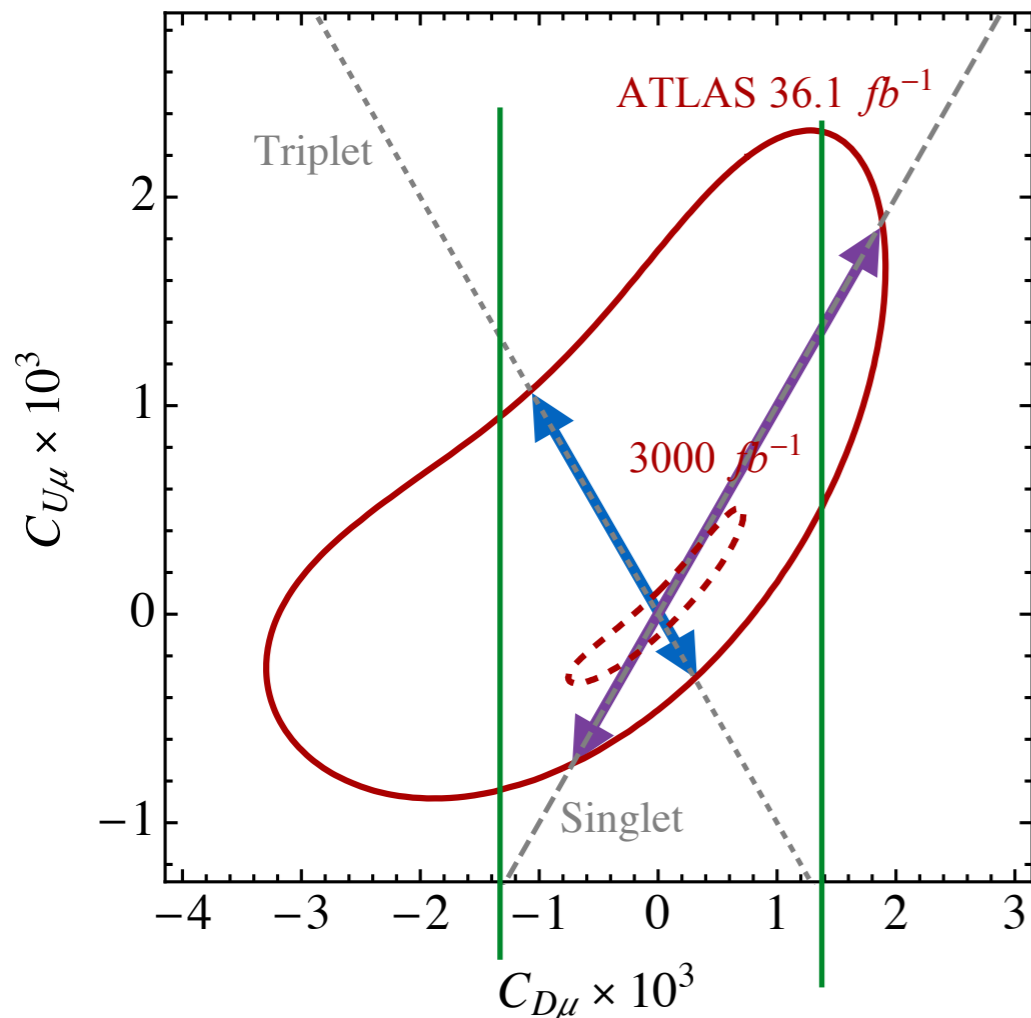


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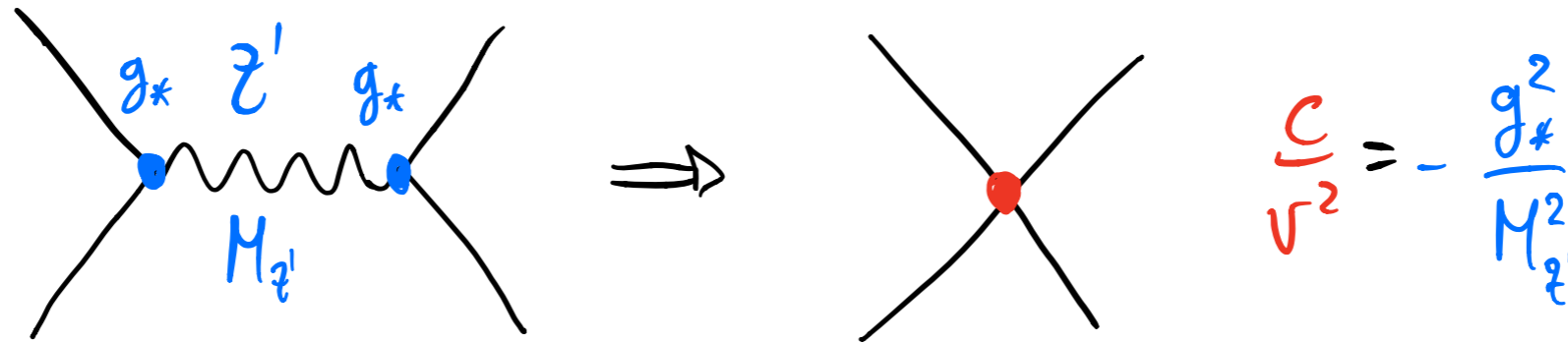
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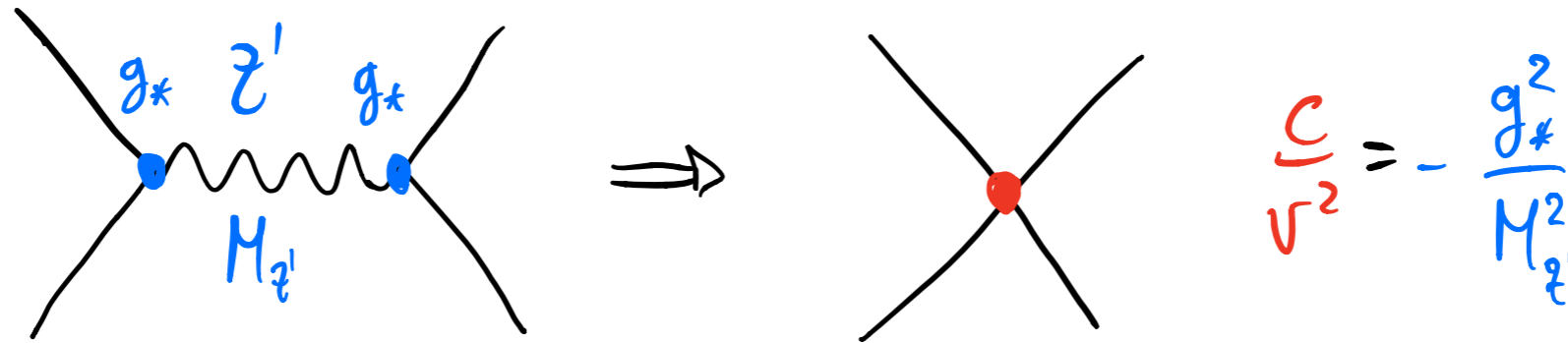
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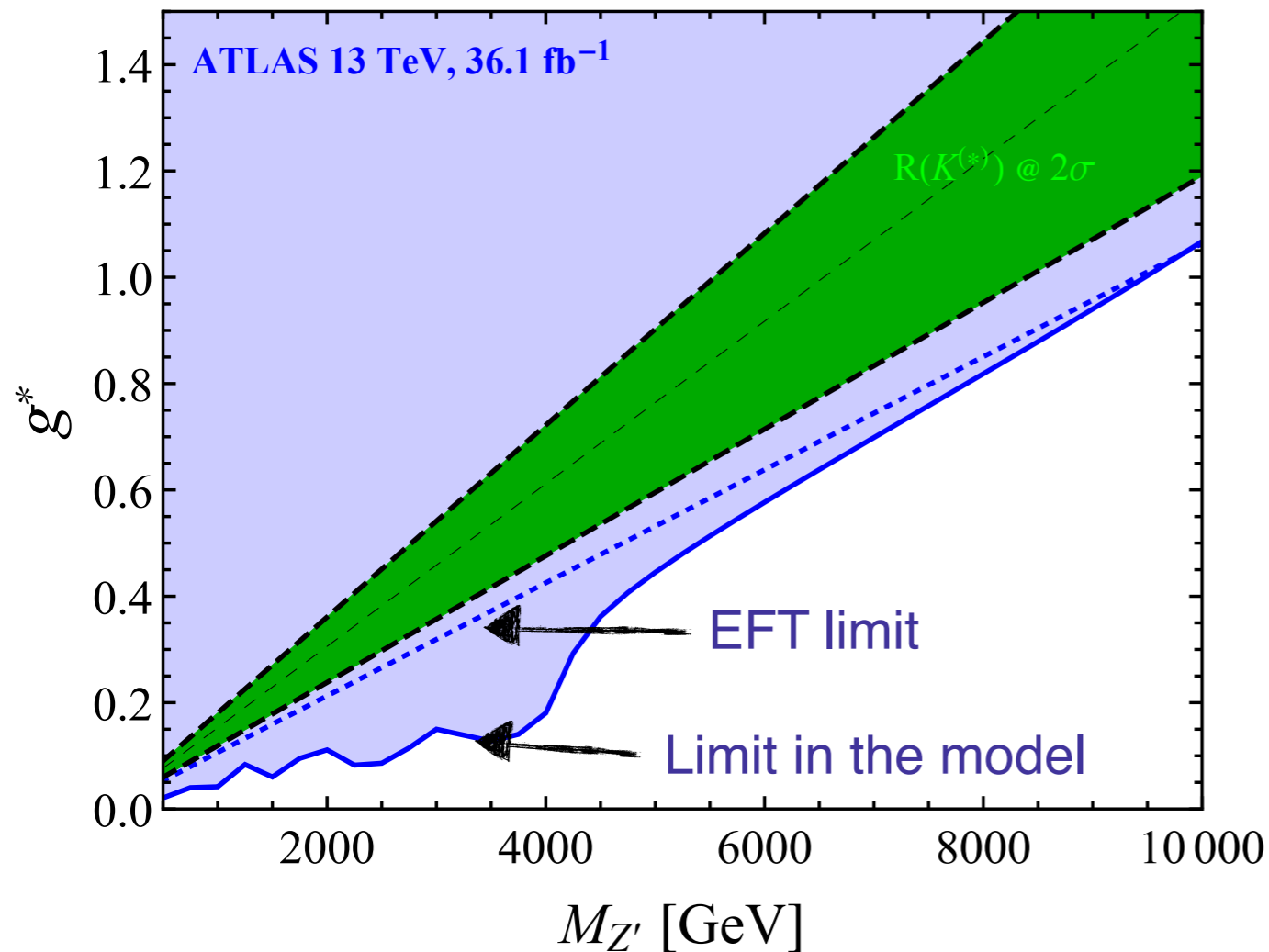


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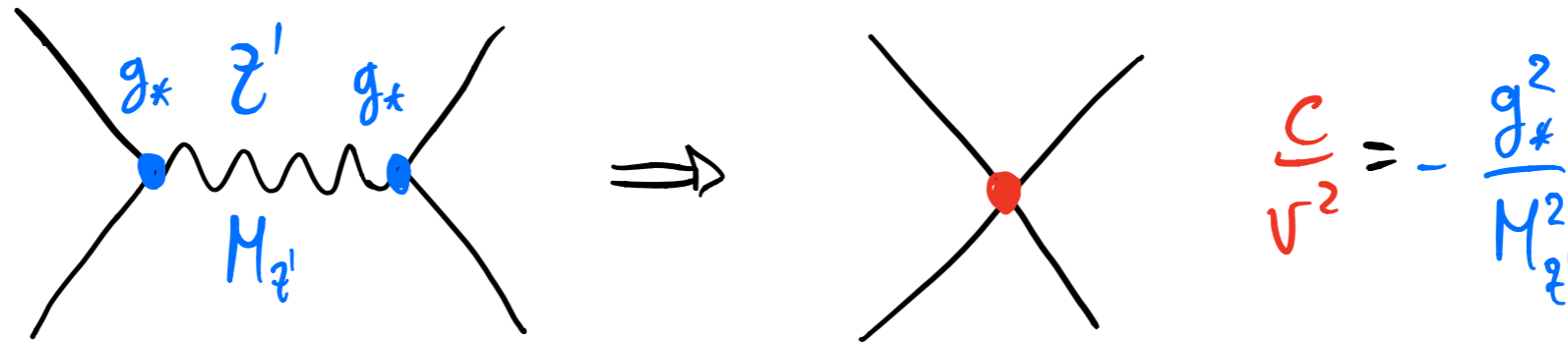


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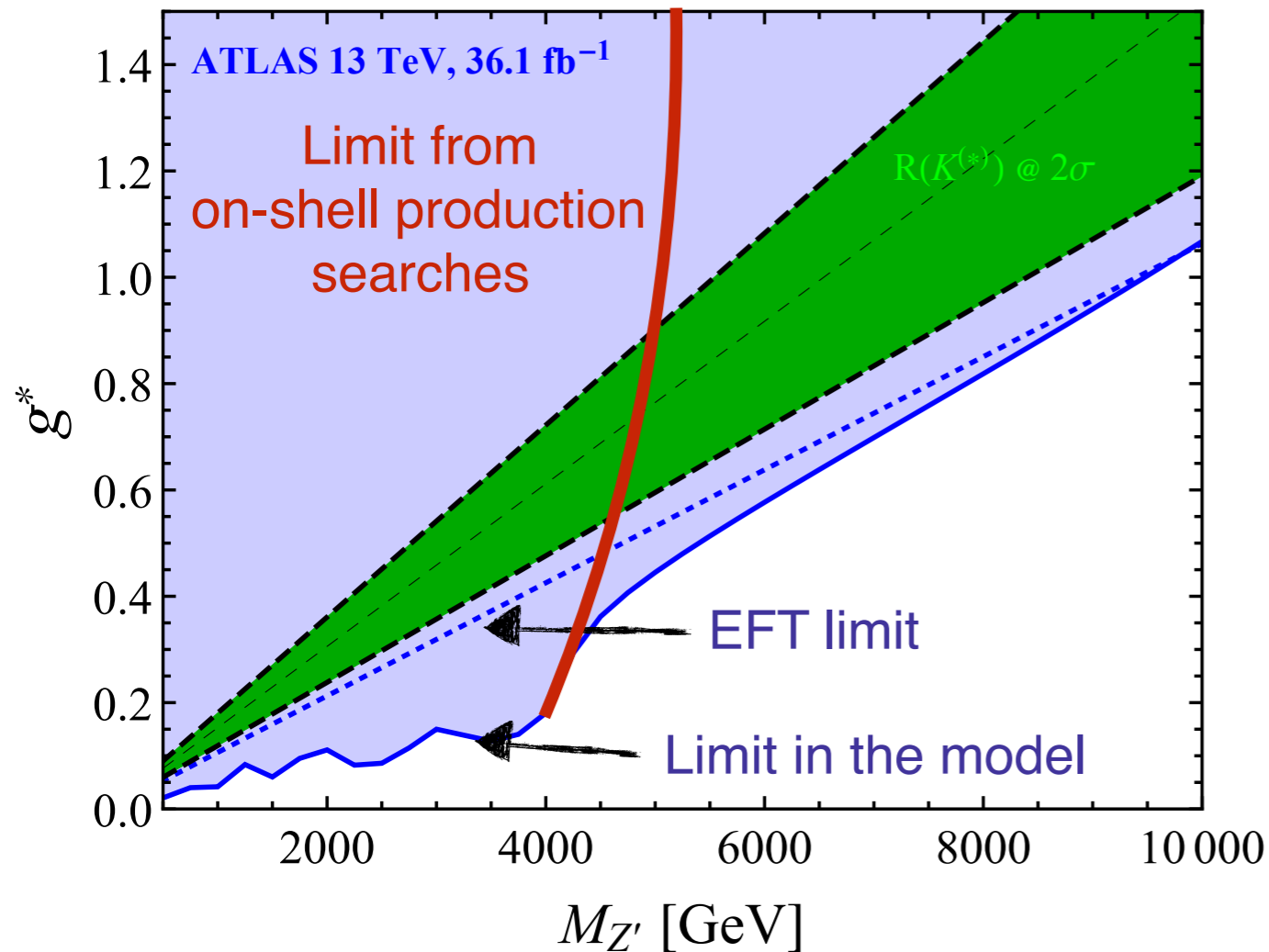
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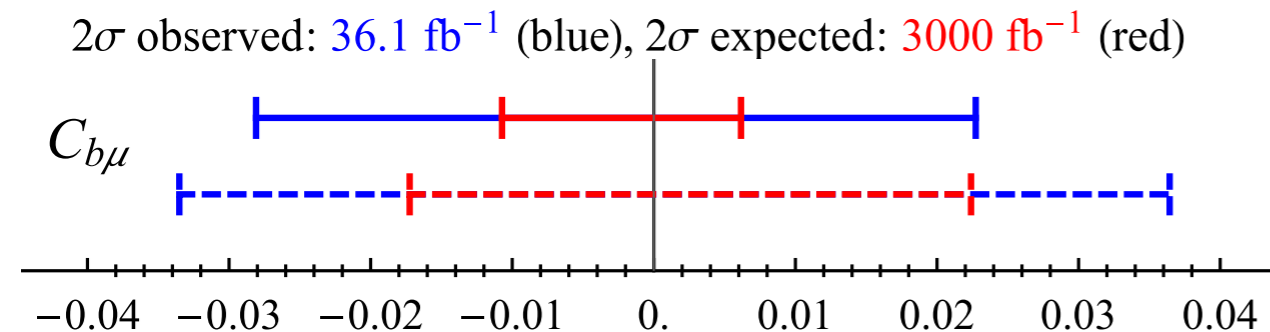


# U(2) symmetry

In this case one assumes that light generations do not couple directly to NP.  
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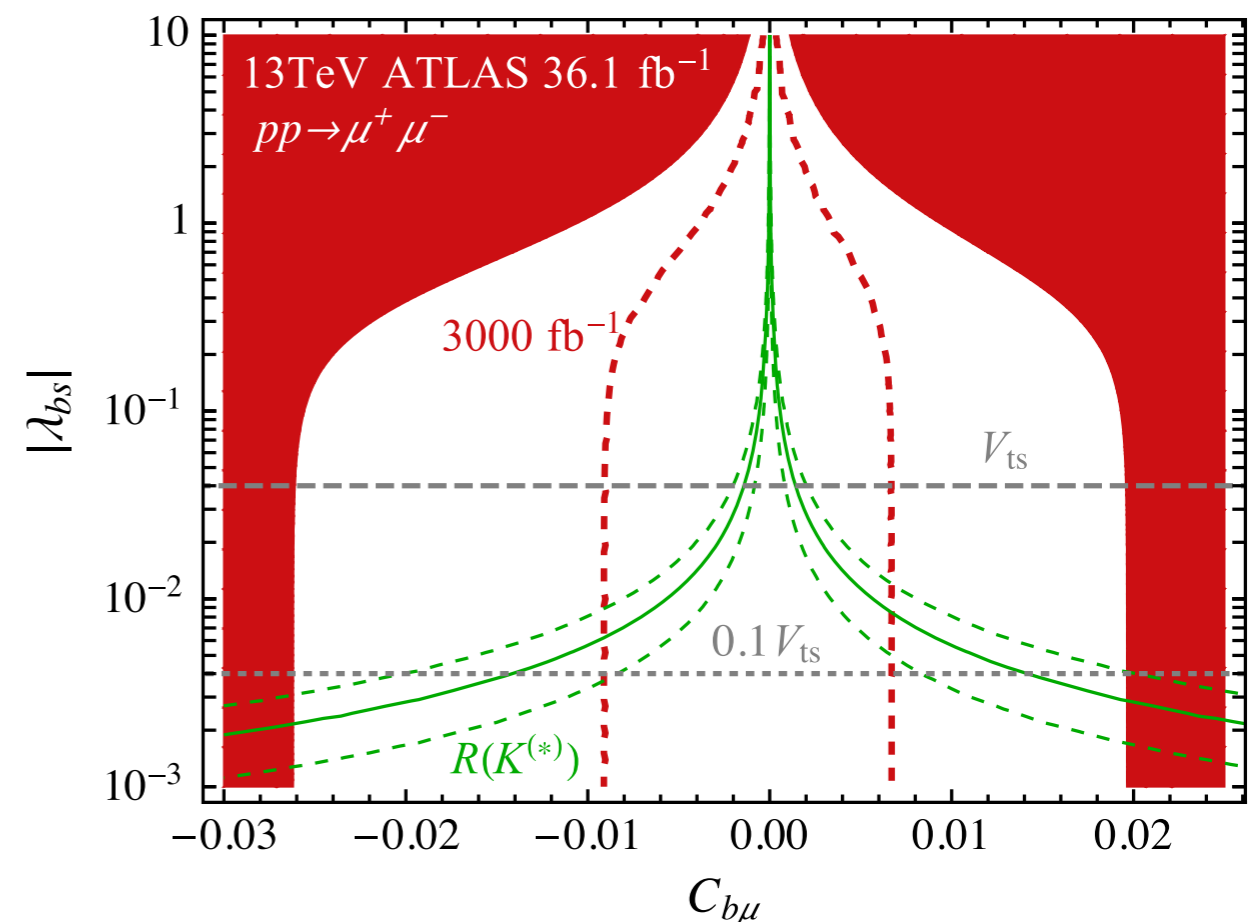
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The present and future limits on the bottom operator are instead at the percent level.



For general  $\lambda_{bs}$

U(2)<sub>Q</sub> case.  $C_{D\mu}=C_{U\mu}=0$



# Conclusions

- LHC measurements of **high- $p_T$  tails** of  $2 \rightarrow 2$  processes offer **strong probes of new physics**, complementing (and often surpassing) limits derived from LEP.
- Care must be taken to understand the typical energy scale of the experiment and making sure that, at the interpretation level,

$$E_{exp} \ll \Lambda_{NP}$$

- This allows us to probe mass scales often higher than the reach of direct searches.
- The limits are already relevant for models addressing B-anomalies.

# Thank you!

# Backup