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Flavour & BSM Model Building

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**Open Questions and Future
Directions in Flavour Physics**
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Outline

- I. BSM: motivation, ideas and hints from exp.

- II. Flavour Deconstructing the Composite Higgs⁺

The Standard Model as an Effective Field Theory

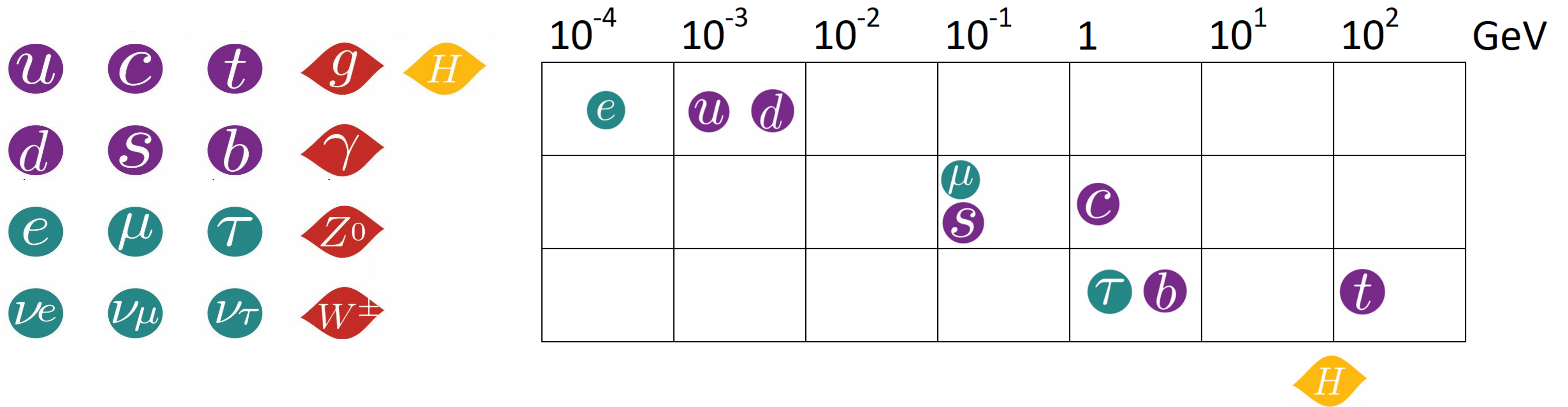
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{d \geq 5} \sum_i \frac{c_i^{(d)}}{\Lambda^{d-4}} \mathcal{O}_i^{(d)}$$

Open questions:

- Origin of neutrinos masses
- Dark Matter
- ...
- CP violation in the strong sector
- **Flavour Puzzle**

Flavour Puzzle

Hierarchical pattern of fermion masses and mixing angles: **Flavour Puzzle**



Flavour Puzzle

$$\mathcal{L}^{d \leq 4} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{gauge}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{Higgs}}$$

Flavour-universal Yukawa hierarchies

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$$Y_u \sim \begin{pmatrix} < 0.01 & 0.04 & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad V_{\text{CKM}} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.2 & 0.004 \\ 0.2 & 1 & 0.04 \\ 0.009 & 0.04 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\Rightarrow V_{11} \gg V_{21} \gg V_{31}$

➔ $y_{33} \sim 1$, all the others are $y_{ij} \ll 1 \Rightarrow U(2)^n$ approx. flavour symmetry

Barbieri et al. 2011, Isidori & Straub 2012, Kagan et al. 2009,

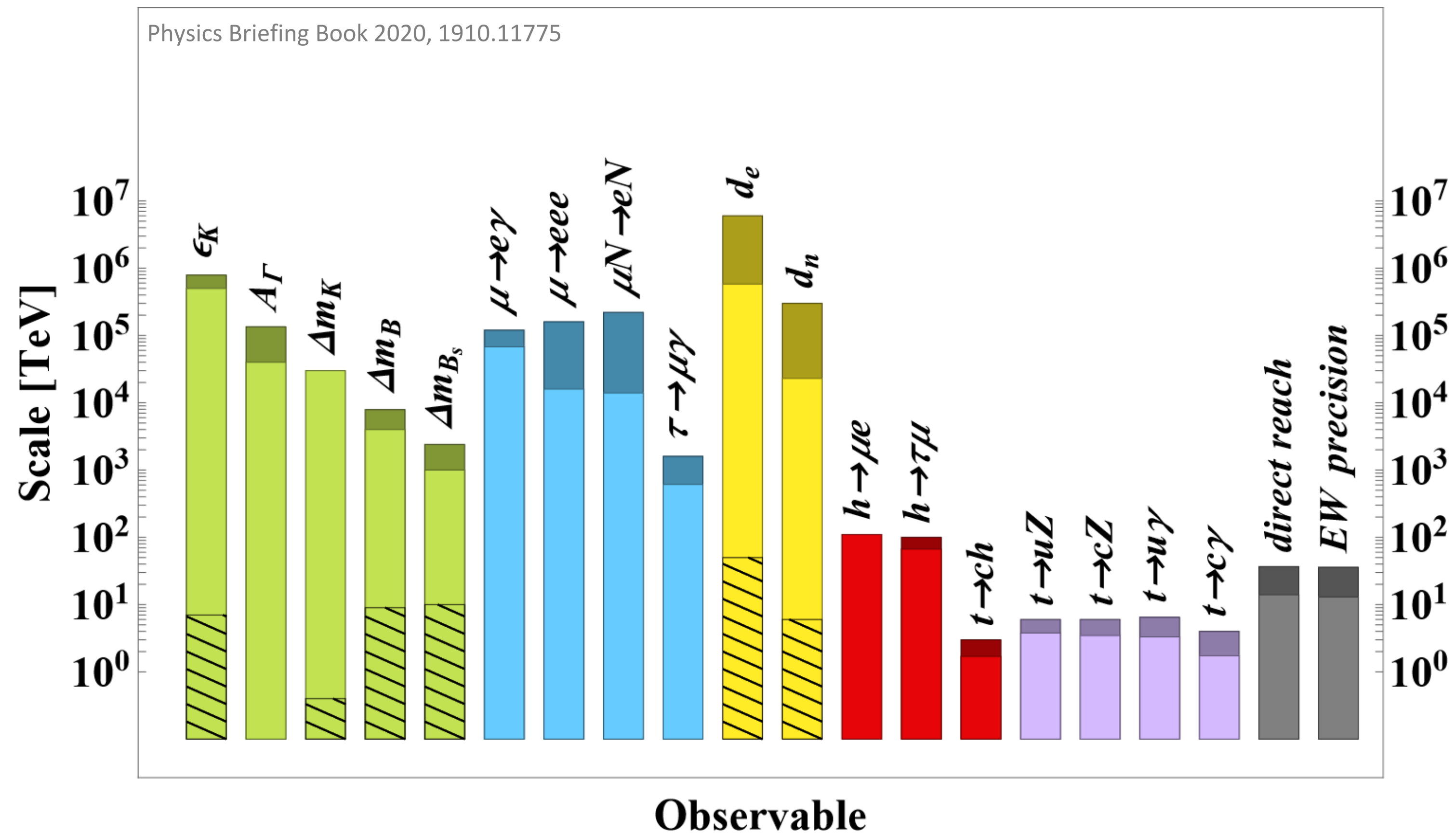
Blankenburg et al. 2012

-> Anders's talk last week

➔ Marginal couplings -> no clear NP scale

Experimental Constraints on NP Scale

- No clear direct signals of NP -> Mass gap is a « fact » of life
- Proton decay, neutrino masses, EDMs, ... -> NP scale could be very high
- Flavour probes very high scale too!



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$$m_H^2 \sim c\Lambda^2 \quad \text{vs} \quad m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Lambda \approx 10^{16} \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow c \approx 10^{-28} \quad \rightarrow \text{Fine-tuning}$$

$$\delta m_H^2 \lesssim m_H^2|_{\text{EXP}} \Rightarrow \Lambda \approx \mathcal{O}(\text{TeV}) \quad \rightarrow \text{What about high scale NP ?}$$

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➡ It can be a BSM model building **guide**

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The Hierarchy Problem

What possible theoretical frameworks can address the Hierarchy problem ?

The « not accepting the mission » option

Agrawal et al., 1997
Kawai & Okada, 2011
Giudice et al. 2021
Kephart & Päs 2024,
...



Solution: « Elsewhere »

Multiverse / Anthropic
Cosmological evolution
(Failure of EFT)

$$? \longrightarrow m_H$$

SUSY



Elementary scalars are protected
by symmetry



$$\Lambda^2 \xrightarrow{13} M_{\tilde{t}}^2 \log \frac{M_{\tilde{t}}}{\Lambda}$$

Higgs Compositeness

Dugan et al. 1985
Agashe et al. 2005,
...

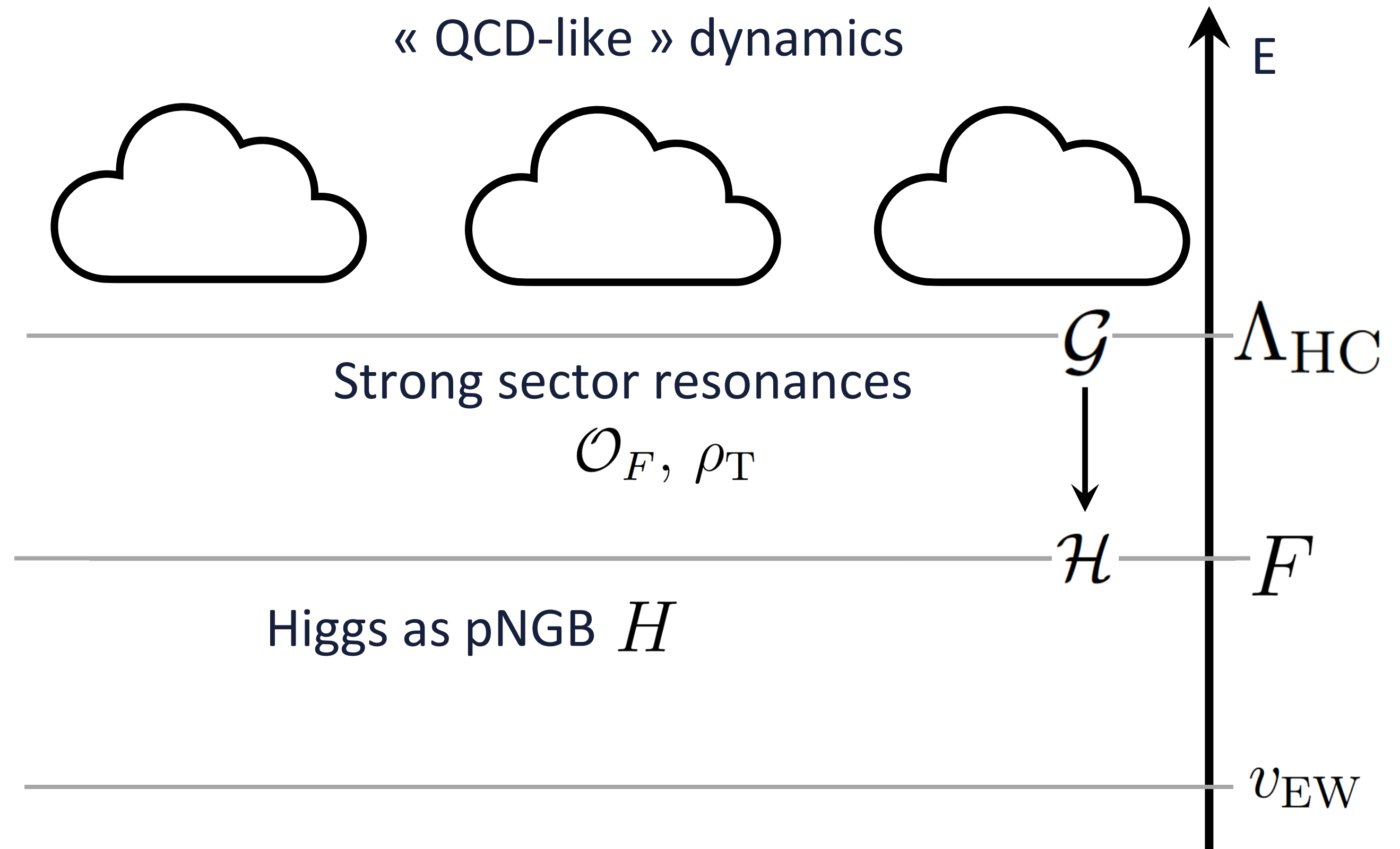


No elementary
scalars

Higgs emerges as a
composite **pseudo-Goldstone
boson** of S.S.B

$$\Lambda^2 \longrightarrow \frac{F^2}{16\pi^2} \times (\dots)$$

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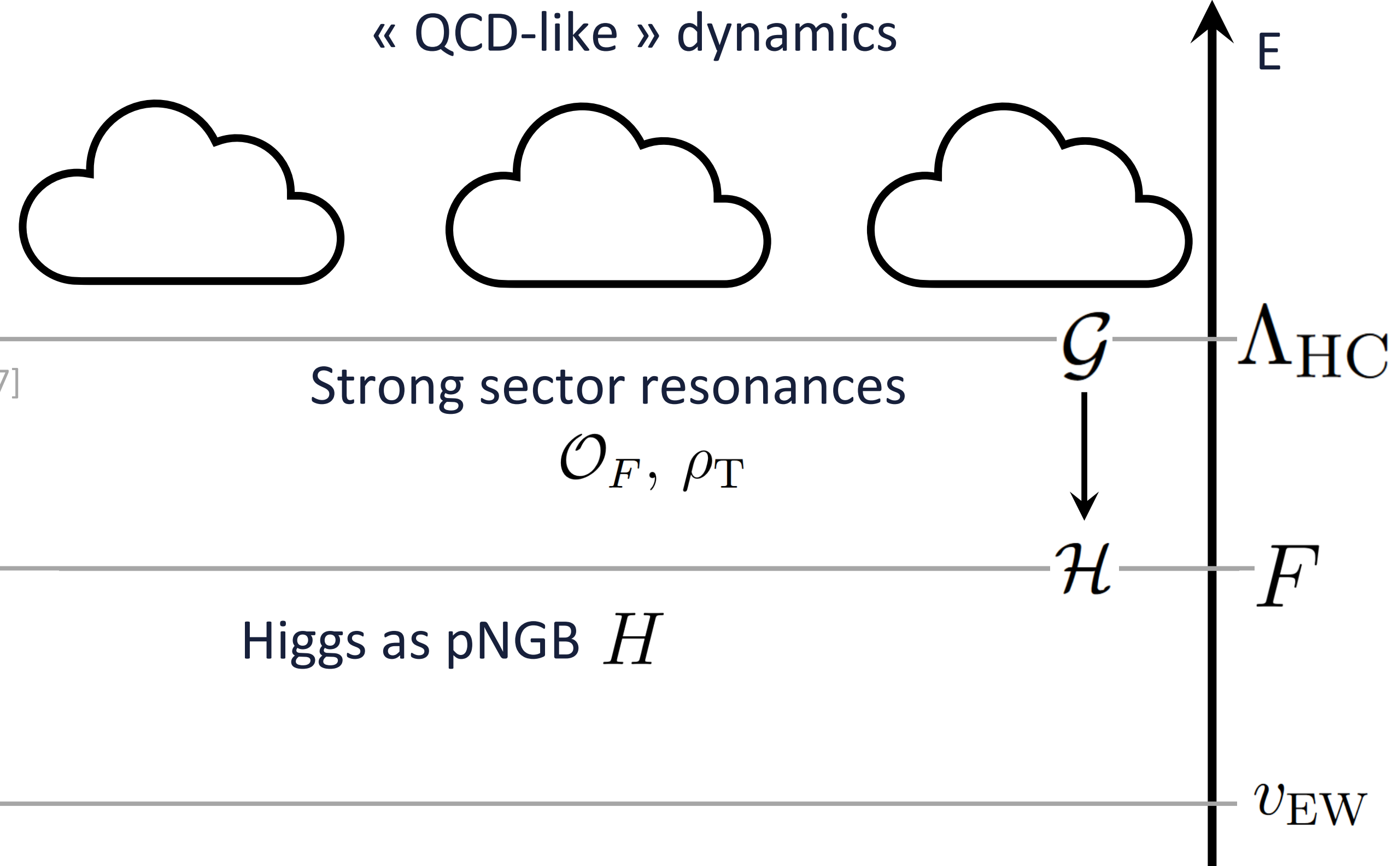
➔ Compositeness scale cuts off quantum corrections to the Higgs potential

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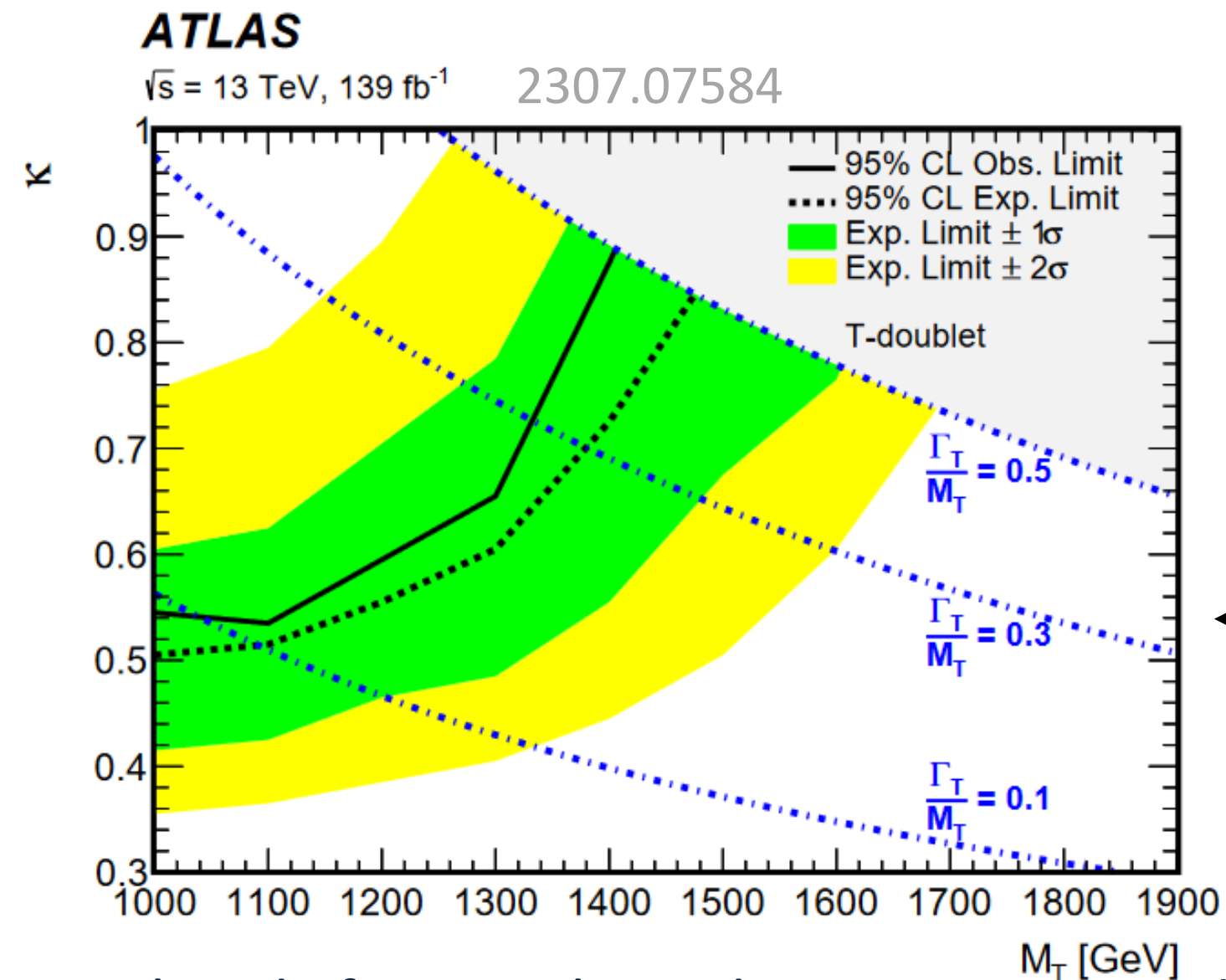
$$M_\rho \gtrsim 5 \text{ TeV}$$

ATLAS, [2402.10607]
CMS, [2310.19893]



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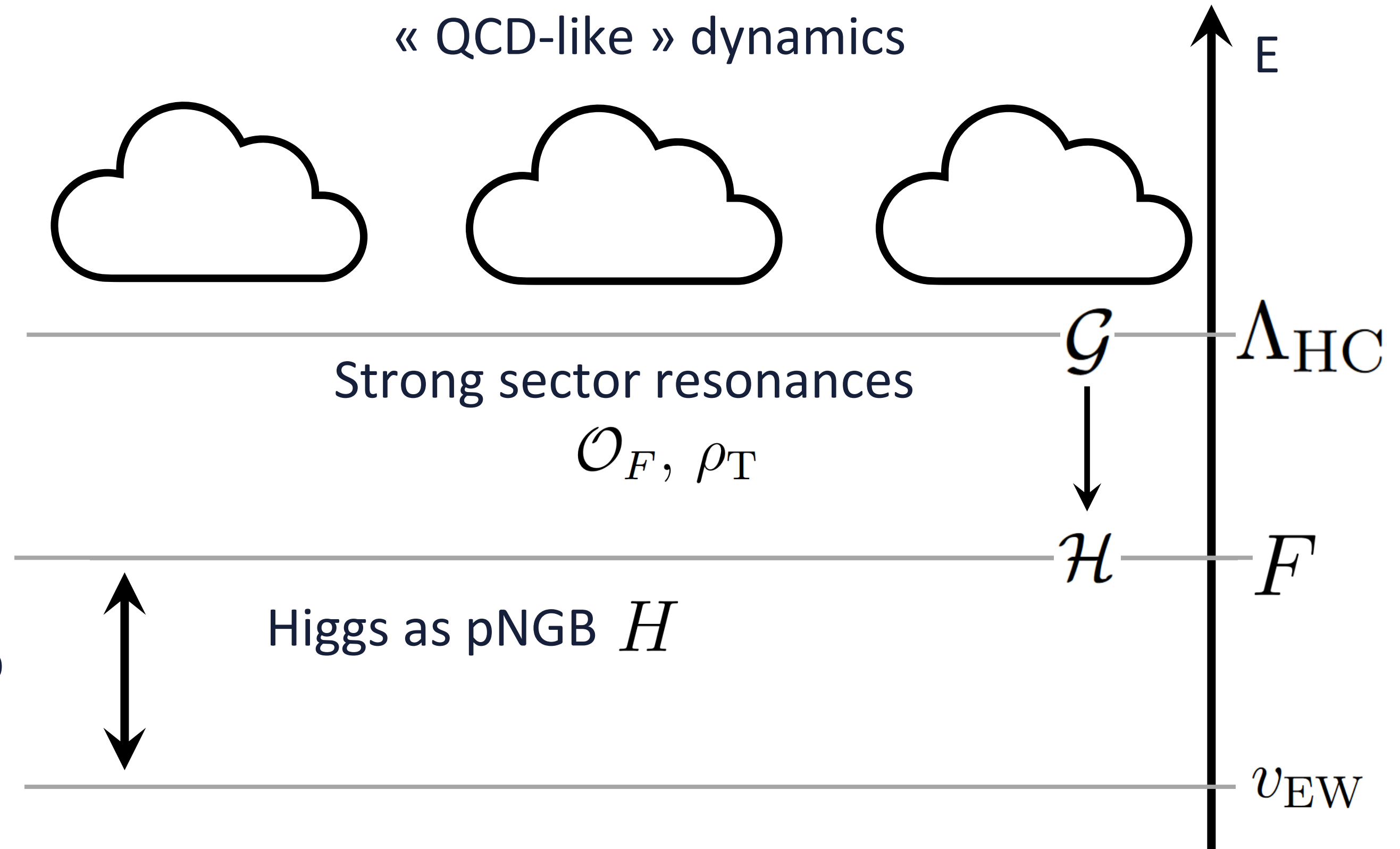
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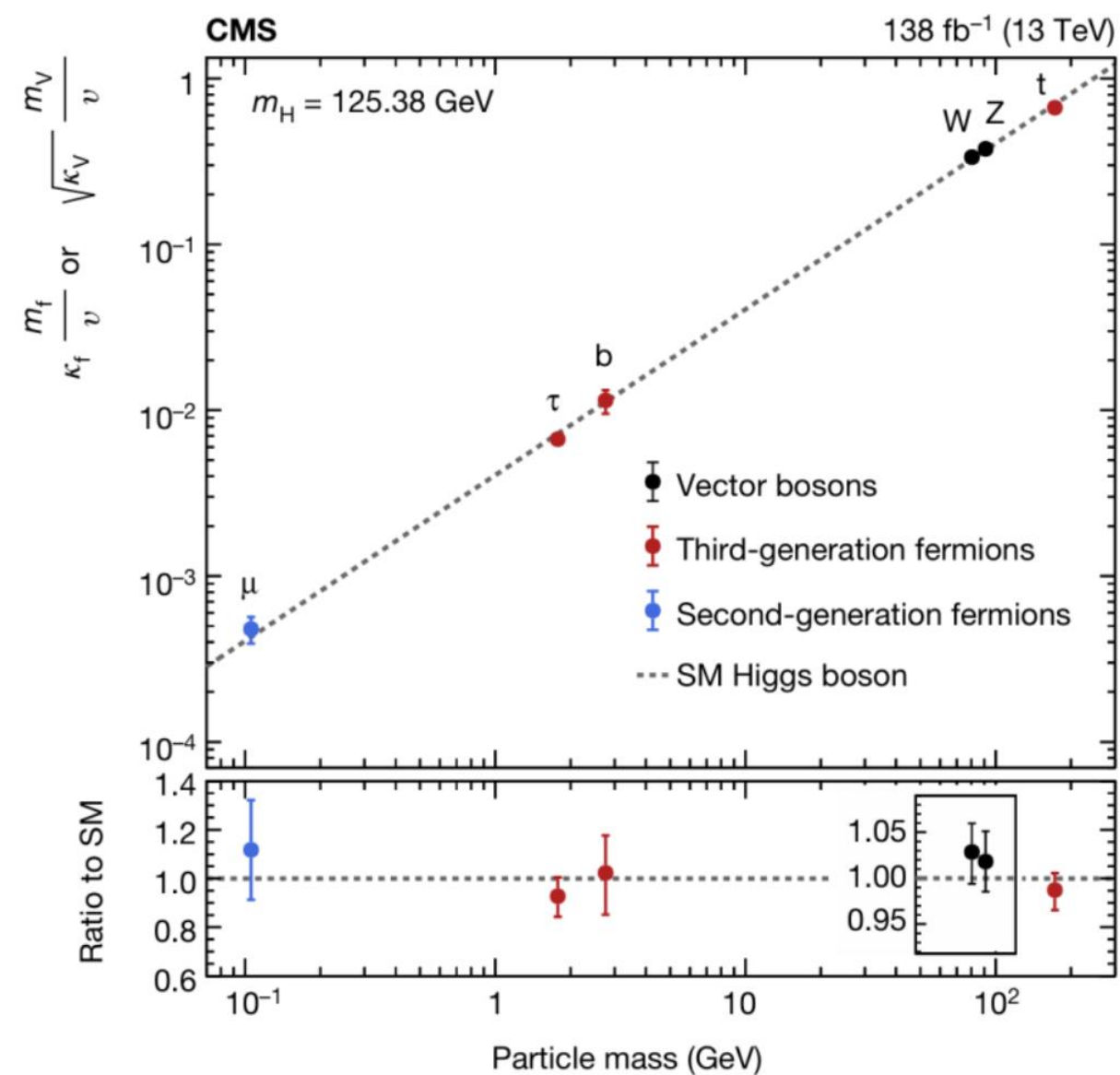
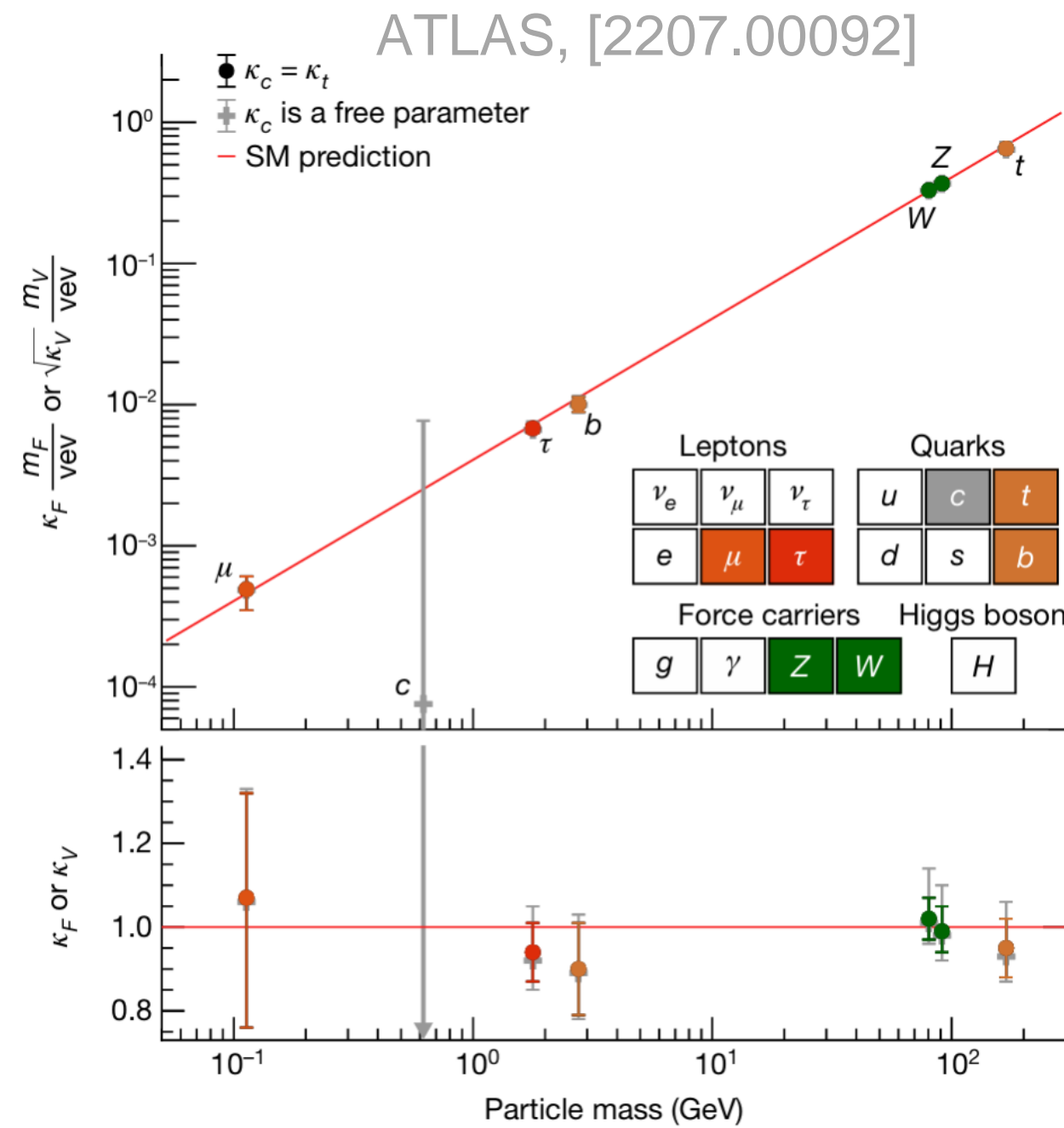
Already few TeV bounds on Top partner !

$$m_T \sim F$$

Mass Gap

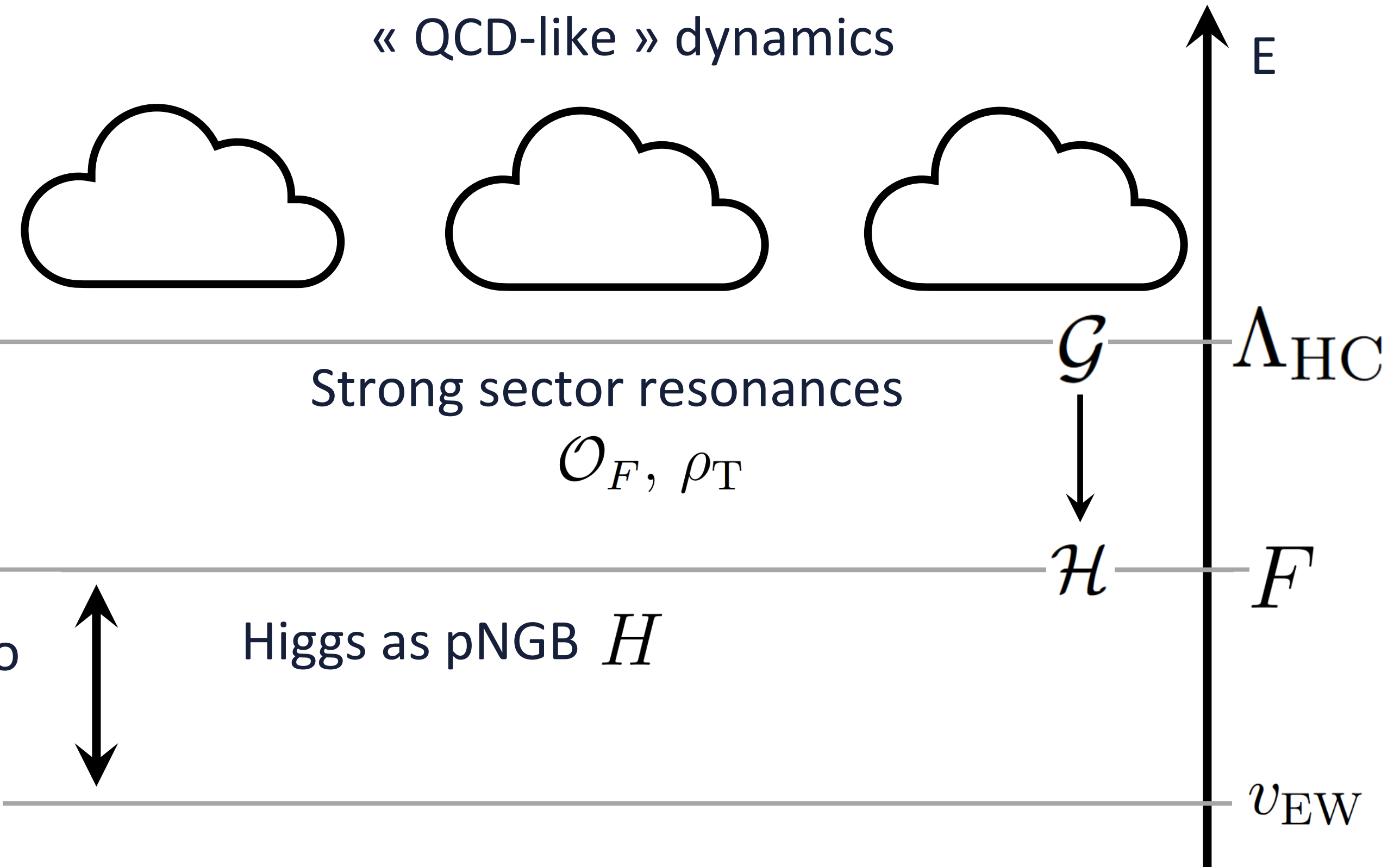


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Higgs is SM-like to good approx.
 $\xi < 0.06$ (95% CL)

Compositeness corrects SM predictions

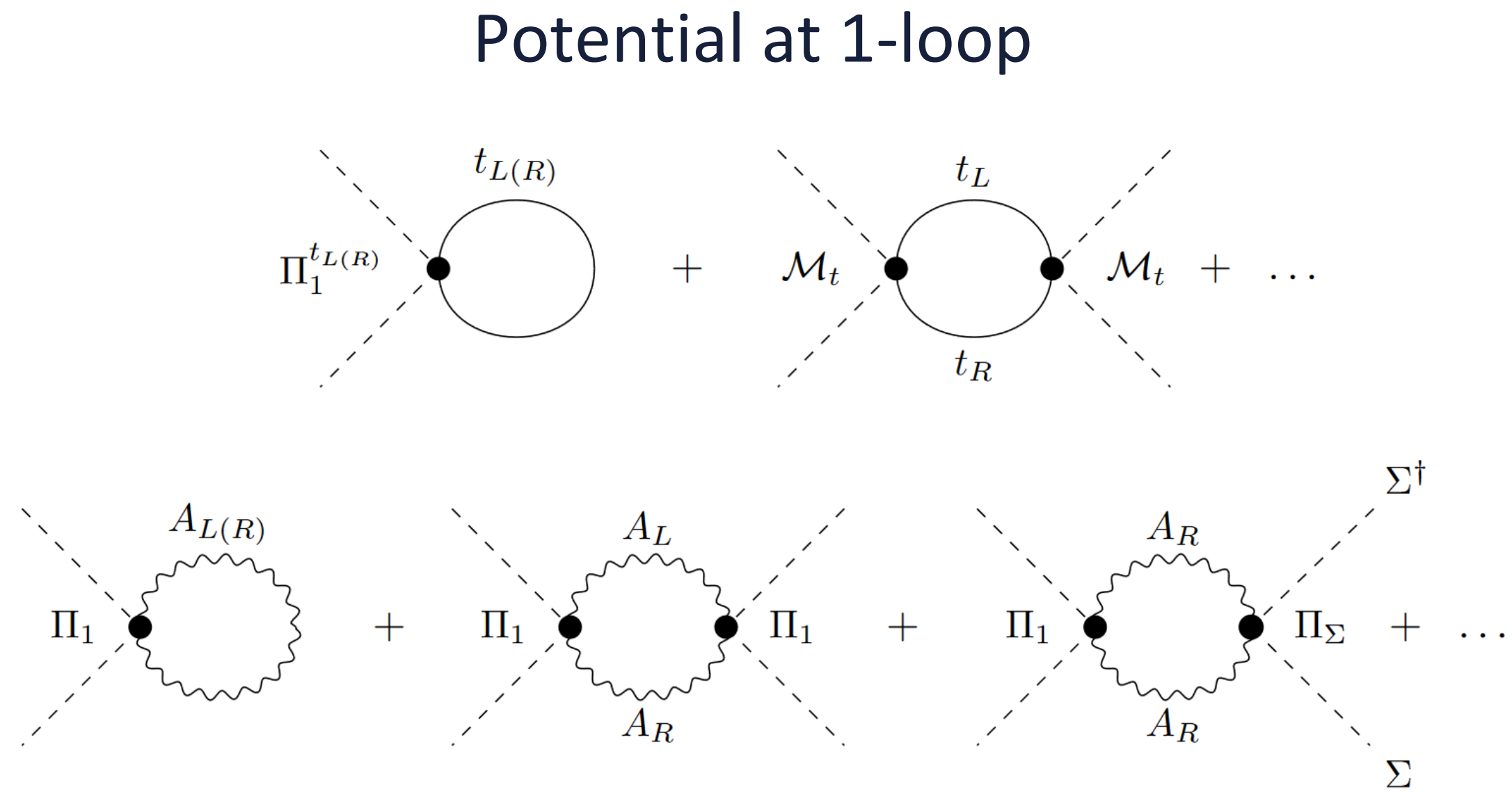


$$g_{VVh} = g_{VVh}^{\text{SM}} \sqrt{1 - \xi}$$

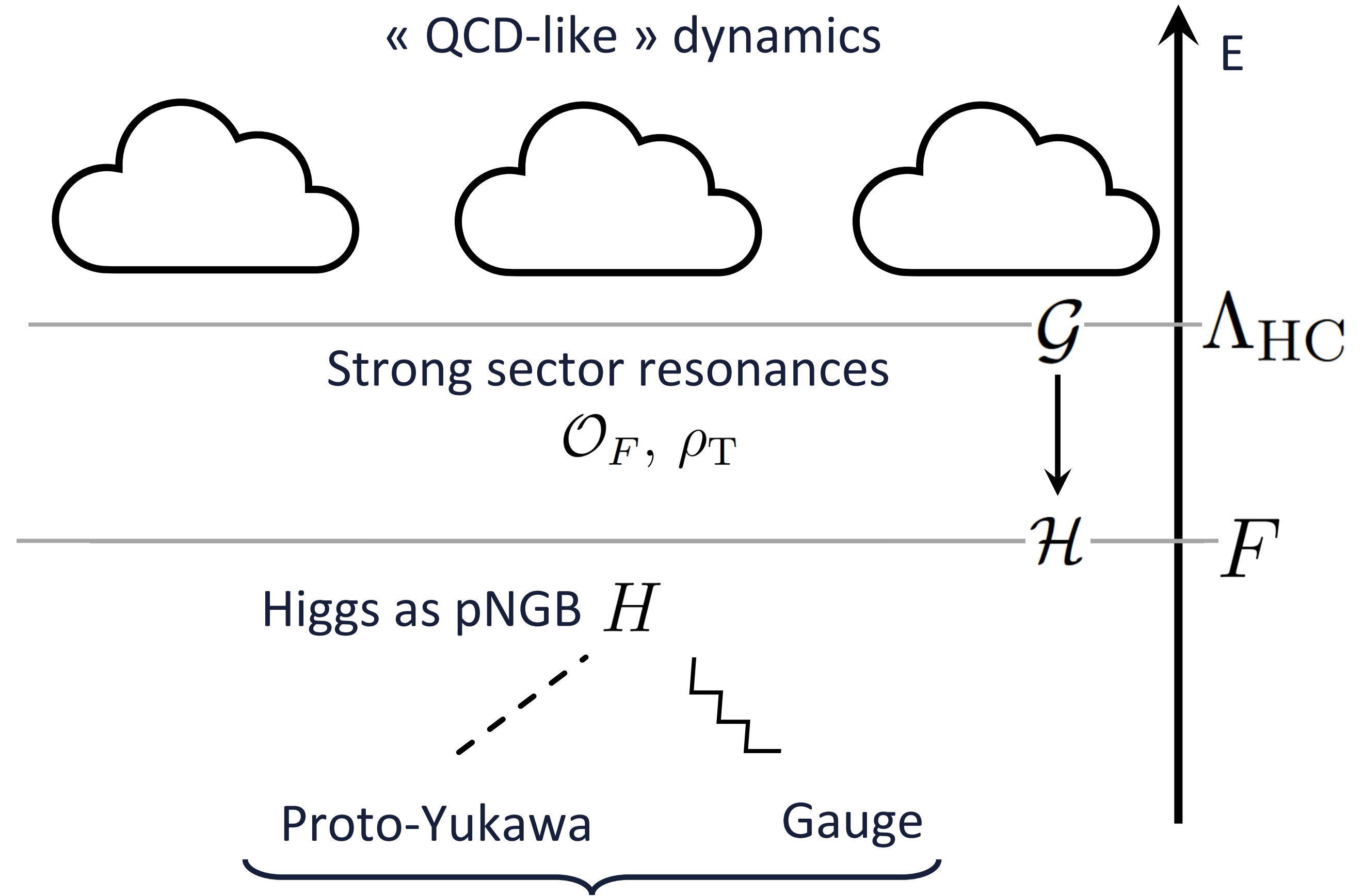
$$g_{VVhh} = g_{VVhh}^{\text{SM}} (1 - 2\xi)$$

$$\xi = \frac{v_{\text{EW}}^2}{4F^2}$$

Higgs Compositeness



(Concrete example later!)



$$\delta m_H^2 \sim \frac{F^2}{16\pi^2} (\# N_c y_t^2 M_T^2 - \# g_1^2 M_\rho^2)$$

Back to Flavour

Natural Higgs -> close-by NP scale
What about Flavour ?

Lessons from EXP:

➡ No large breaking of $U(2)^5$ around the TeV scale

➡ Any NP at the TeV scale has a highly non-generic flavour structure

➡ $U(2)^5$ is a good symmetry to understand the Yukawa pattern! $Y_u \sim \begin{pmatrix} < 0.01 & 0.04 \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

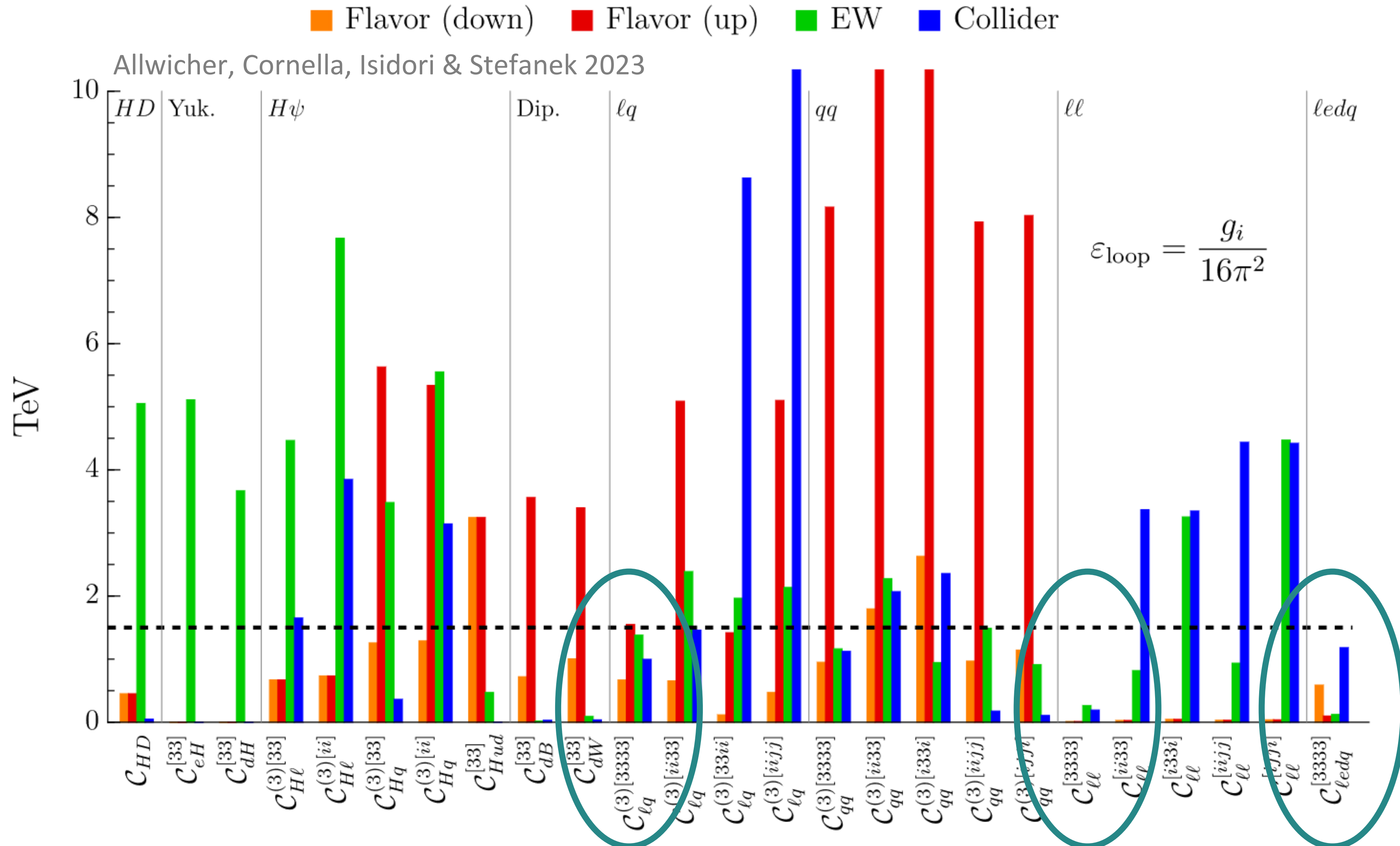
$\Rightarrow U(2)^n$ approx. flavour symmetry as BSM **guide**



Which NP should we look for ?

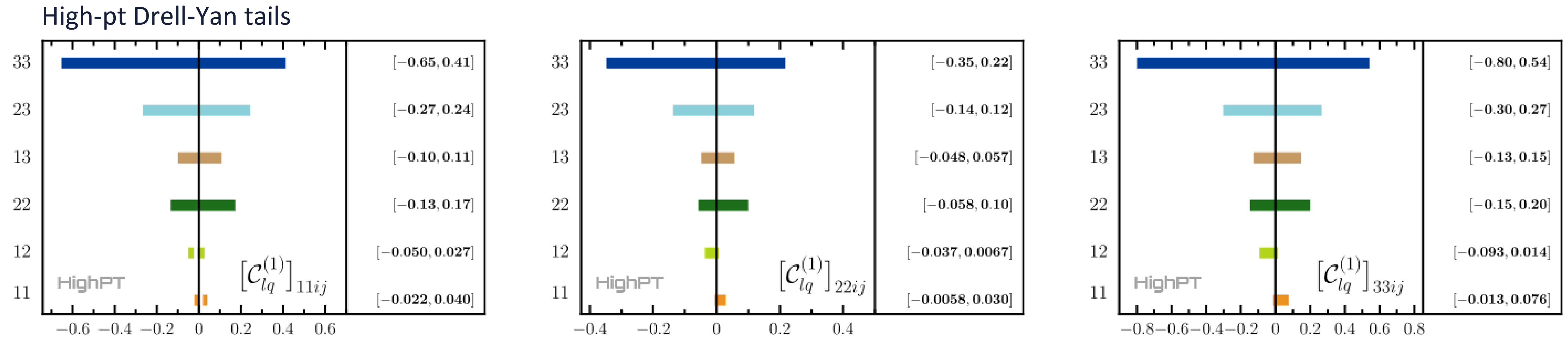
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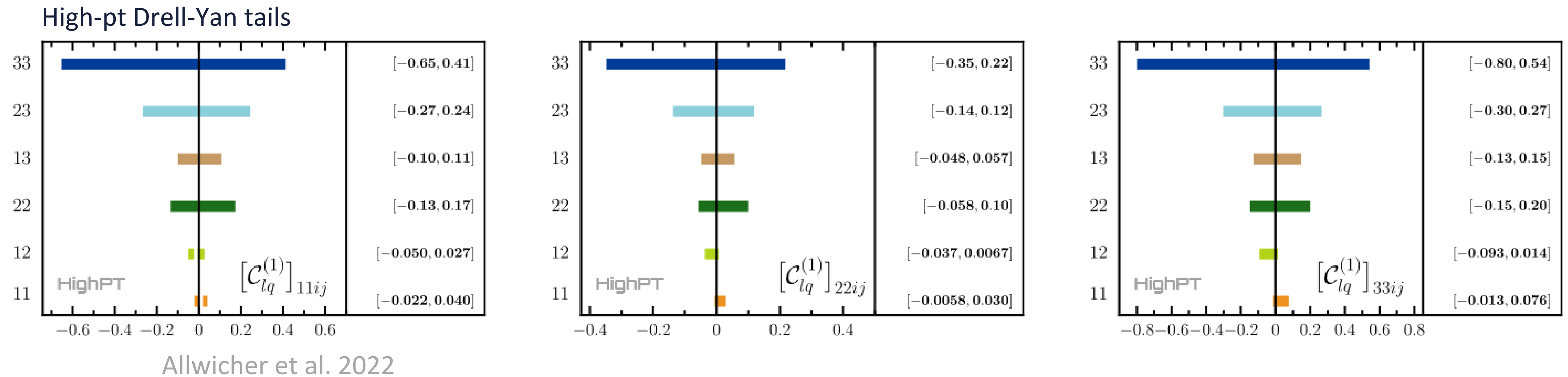
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Allwicher et al. 2022

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Experiments have imposed strong bounds on flavour **universal** NP

Frameworks such as MFV are pushed above $O(10 \text{ TeV})!$

(Naturalness \ominus)

➔ Flavour **non-universal** NP @TeV-scale, mainly coupled to 3rd gen.

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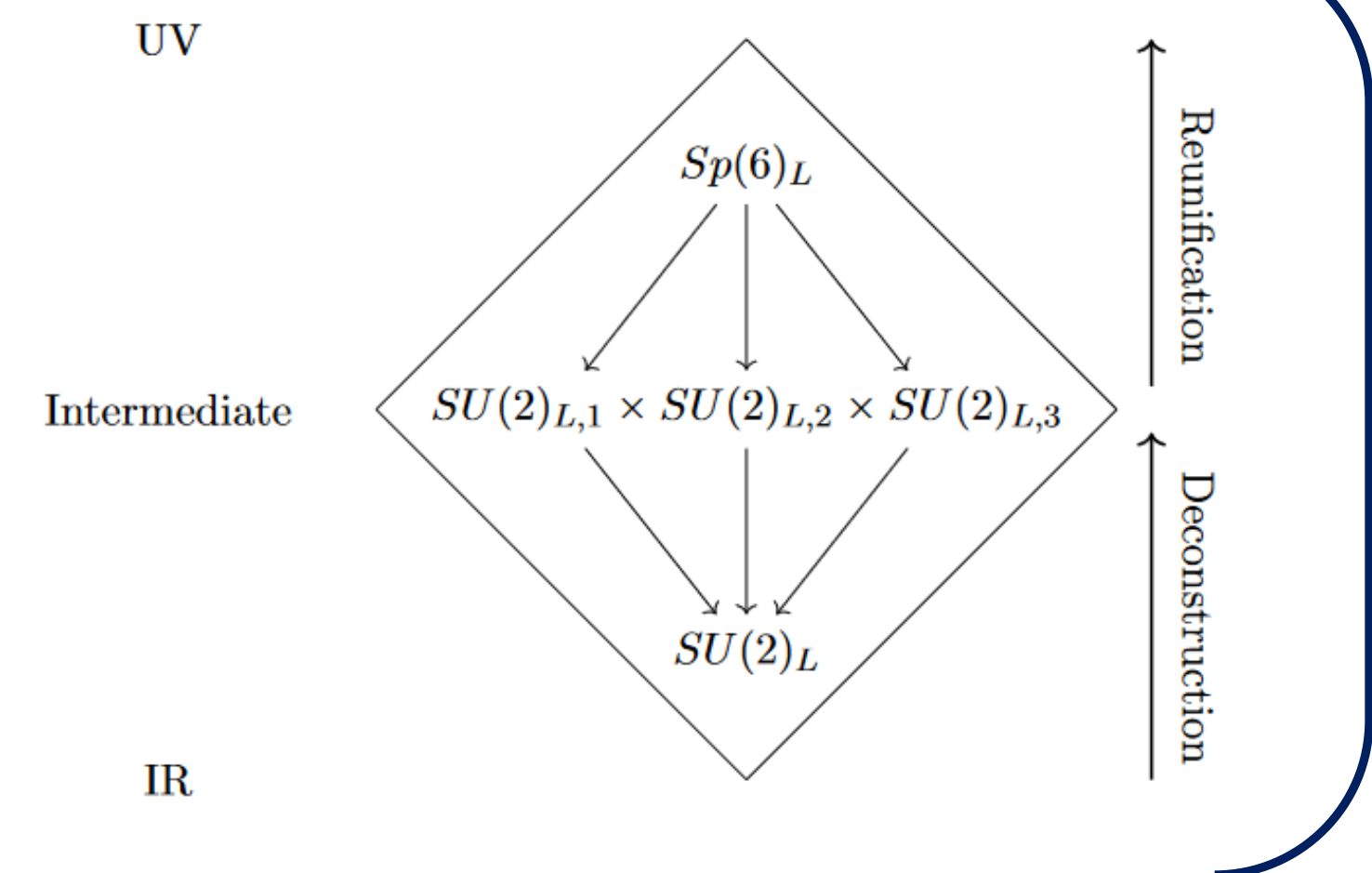
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*Re-unification in
 the UV*

Electroweak flavour unification
 (+ quark-lepton unif.): Davighi
 et al. 2022



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➡ Higgs Compositeness

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➡ Flavour in CHM -> **Partial Compositeness**

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Higgs as pNGB

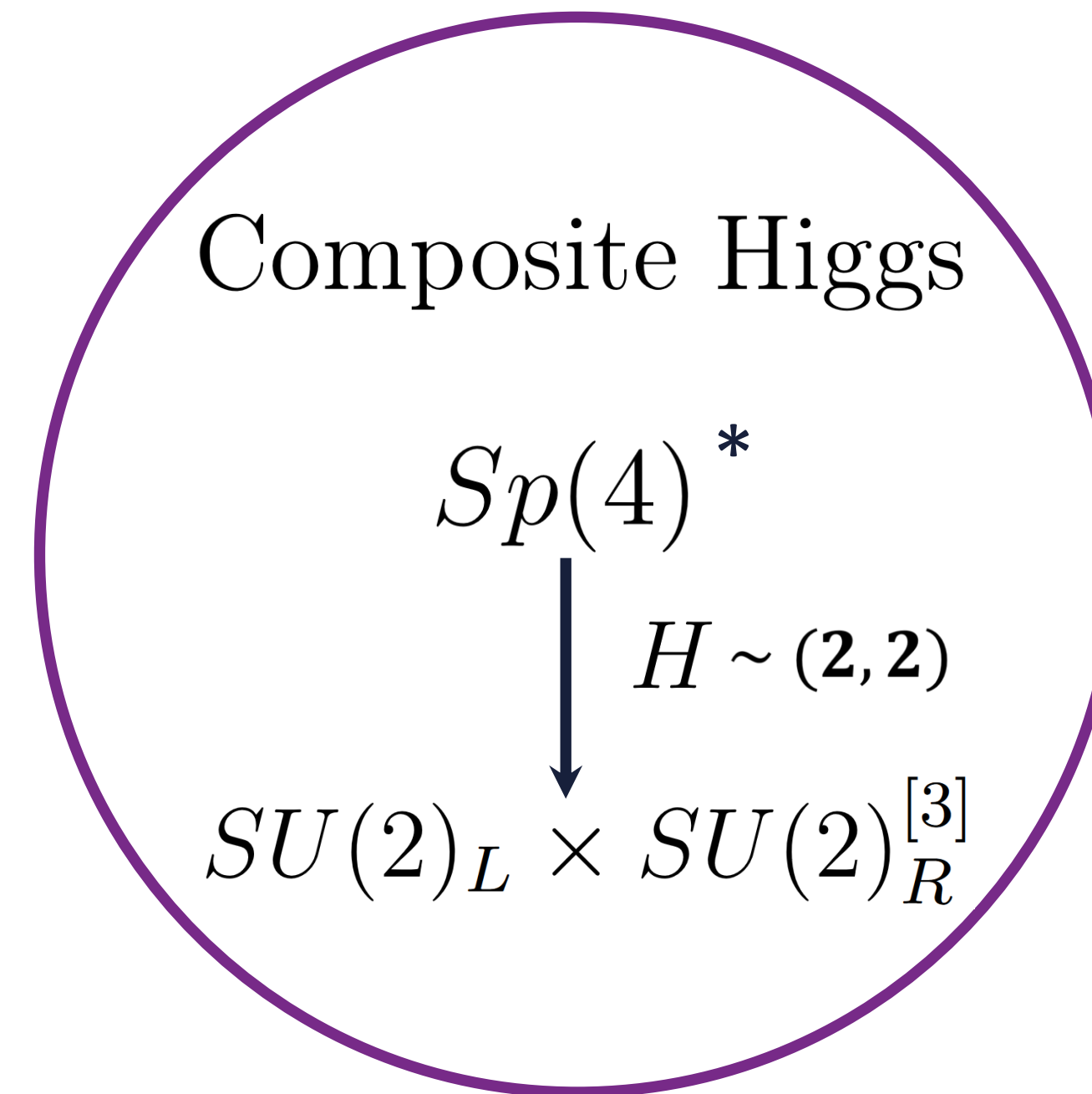
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Exploring the Flavor Symmetry Landscape, Glioti et al. 2024
-> Flavour symmetries options to reduce scale of NP
-> Luca's talk last week

Flavour Deconstructing the Composite Higgs⁺

$$G_{12} \times G_{3+H} \rightarrow G_{SM}$$

&



➤ Flavour non-universal NP @TeV mainly coupled to 3rd generation

➡ $U(2)^5$ protection

➡ Lower compositeness scale -> naturalness

➡ Explain SM flavour

*: $sp(4) \cong so(5)$

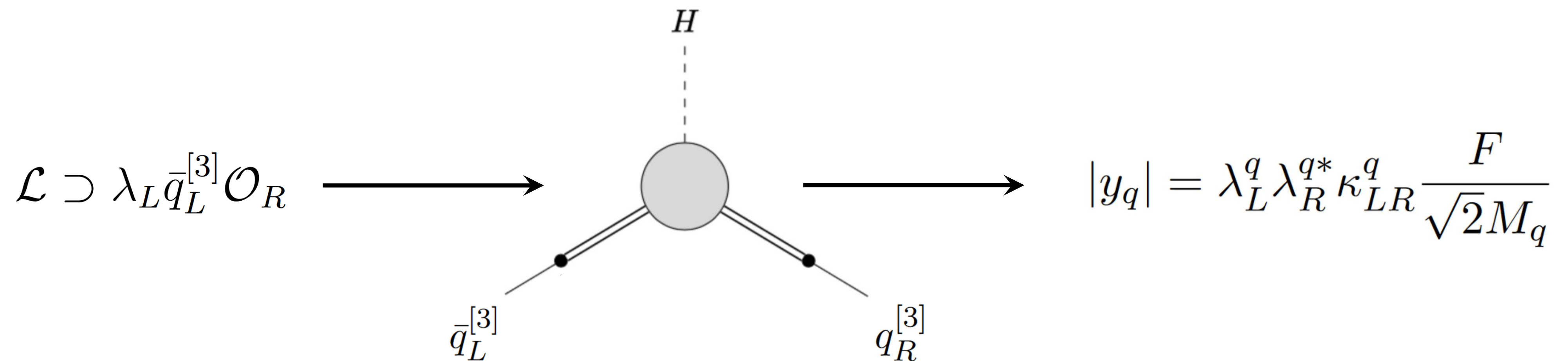
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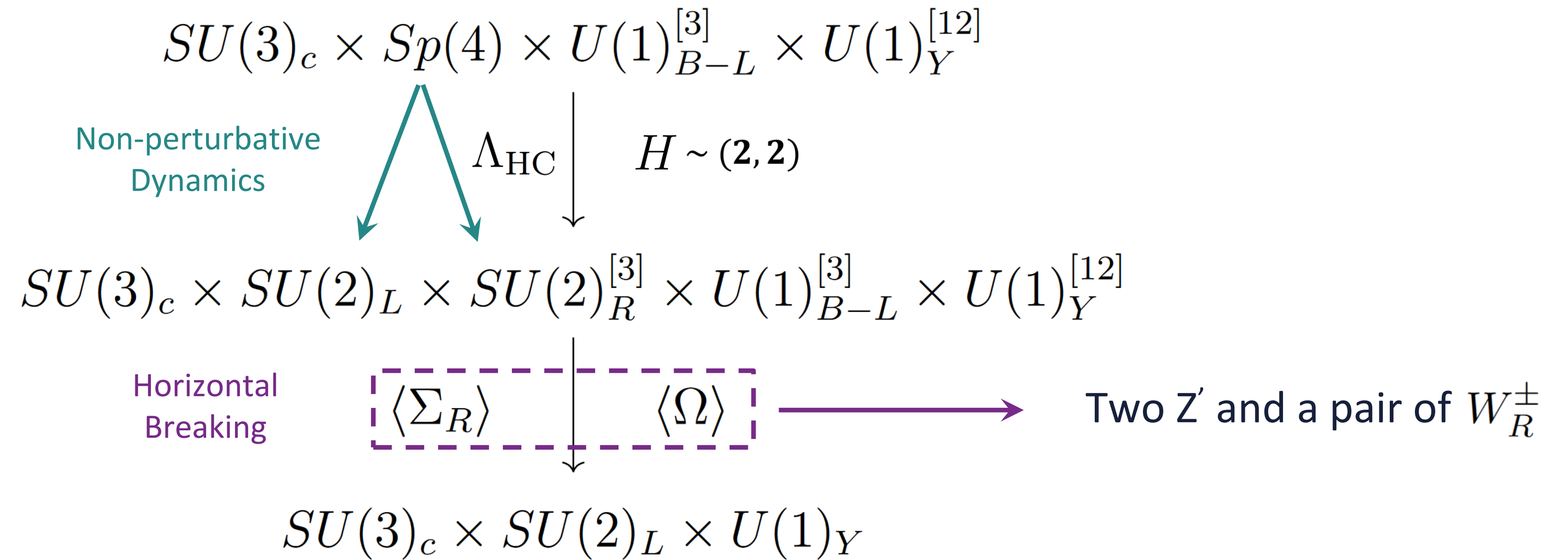
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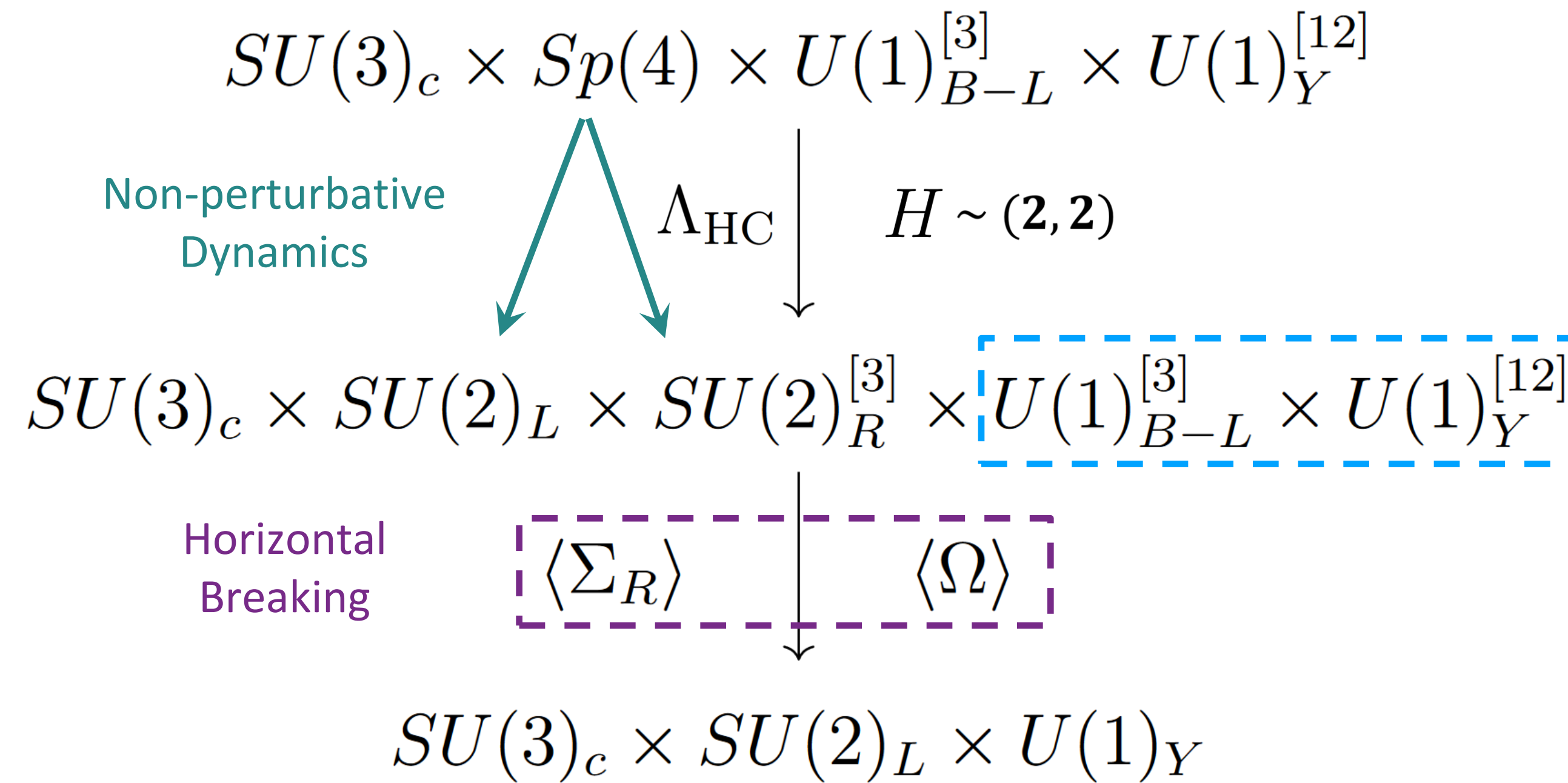
Third-family Partial Compositeness:
(Light fields are elementary)



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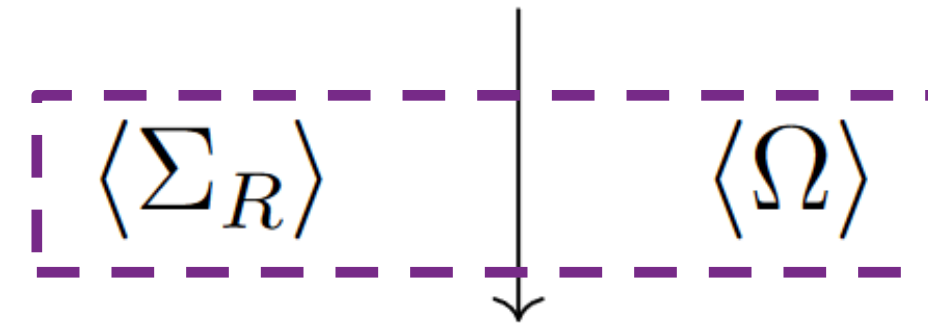
Deconstructing hypercharge to explain the Yukawa pattern

Flavour Non-Universal Gauge Interactions, J.Davighi @ "Flavour Path to New Physics"

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$$\left[\langle \Sigma_R \rangle \quad \langle \Omega \rangle \right]$$

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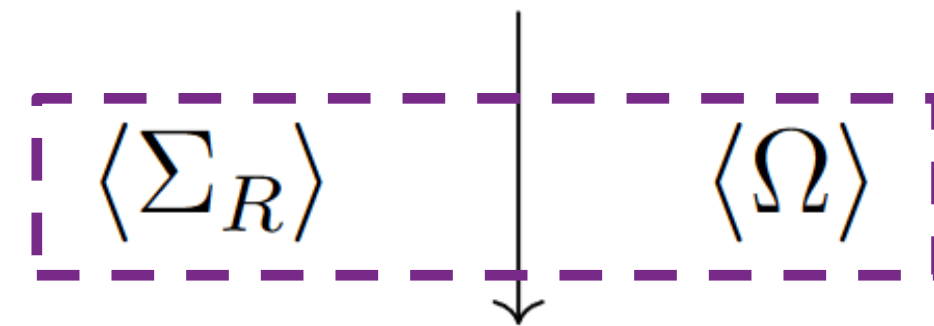
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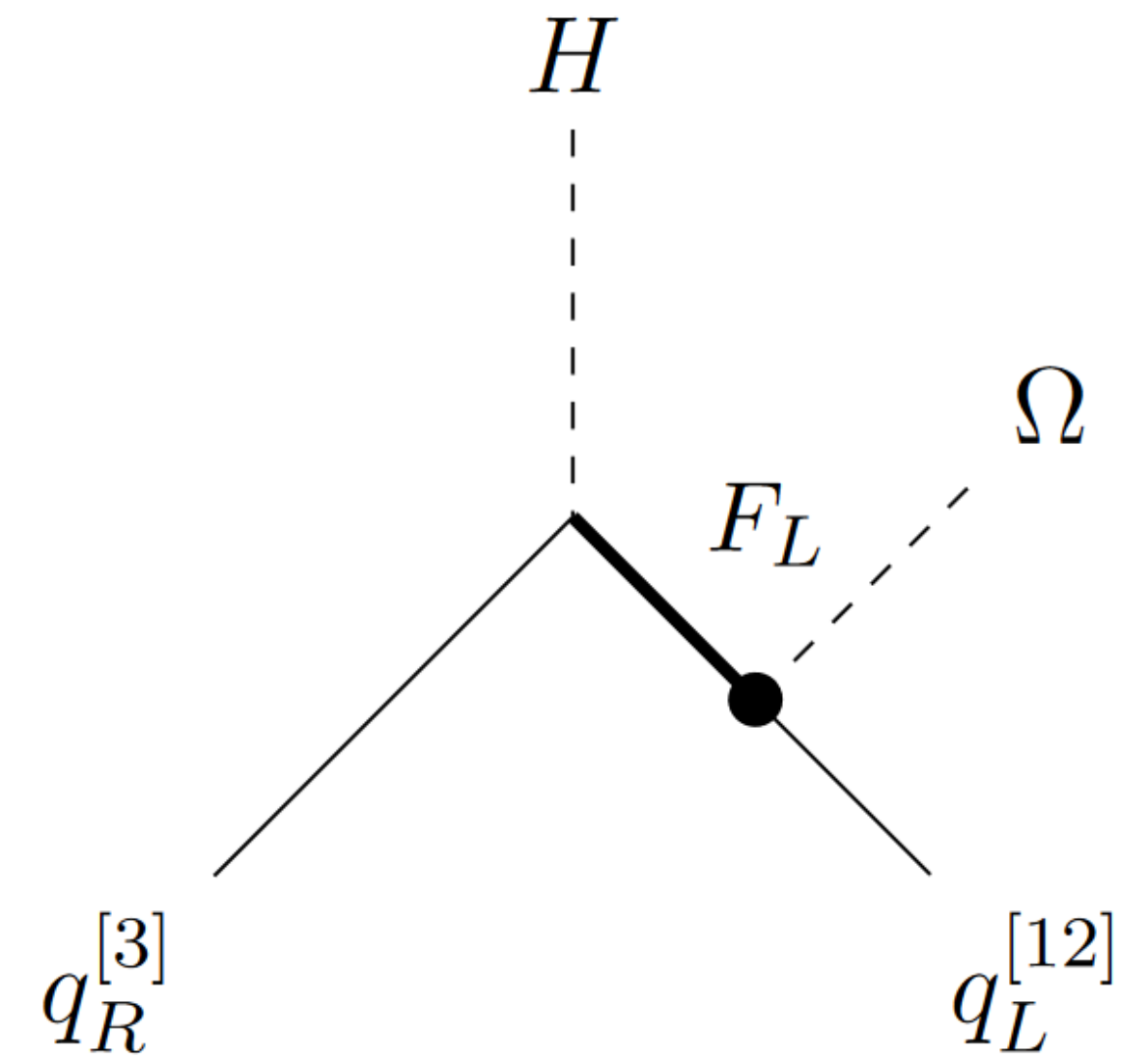
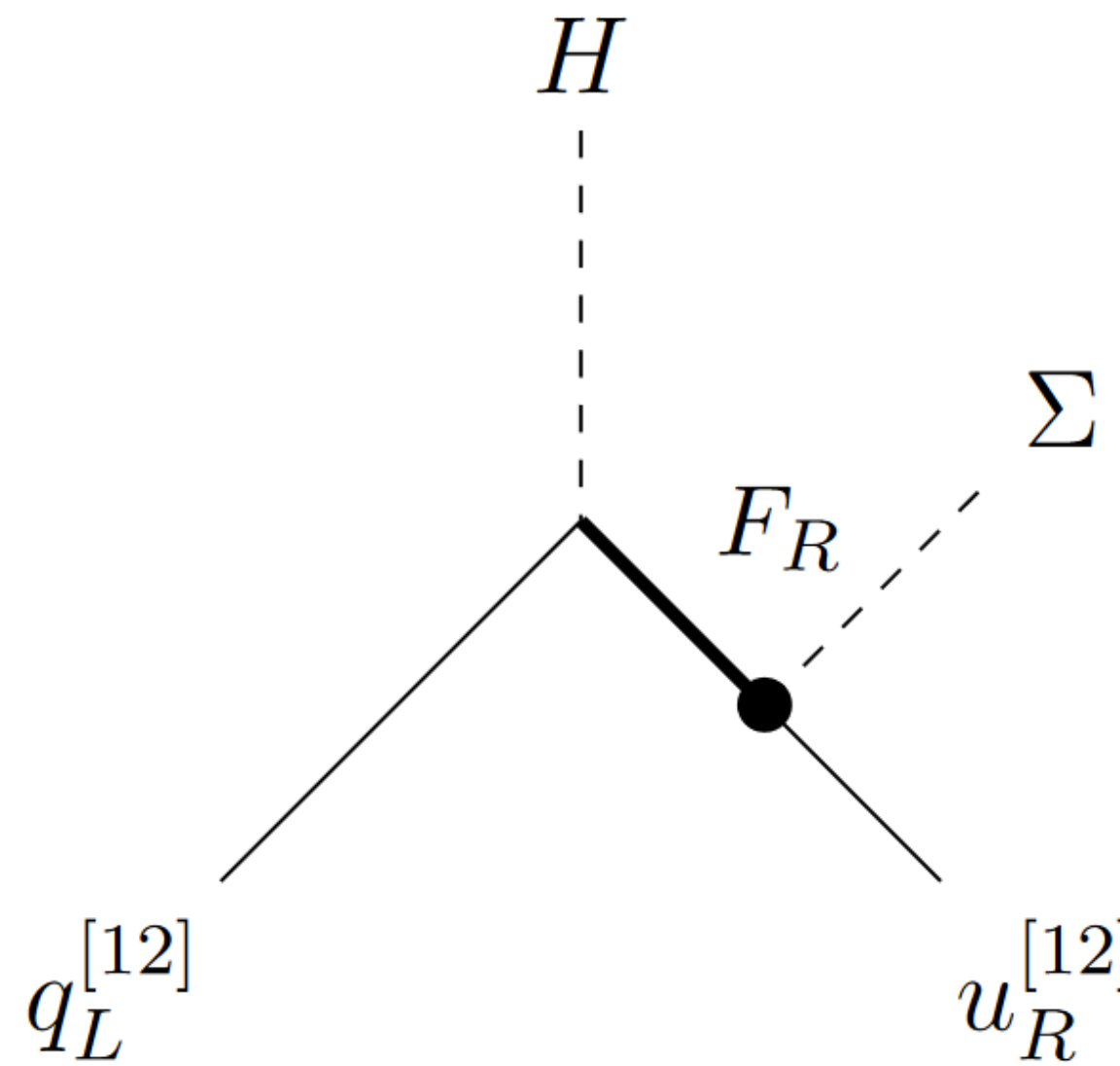
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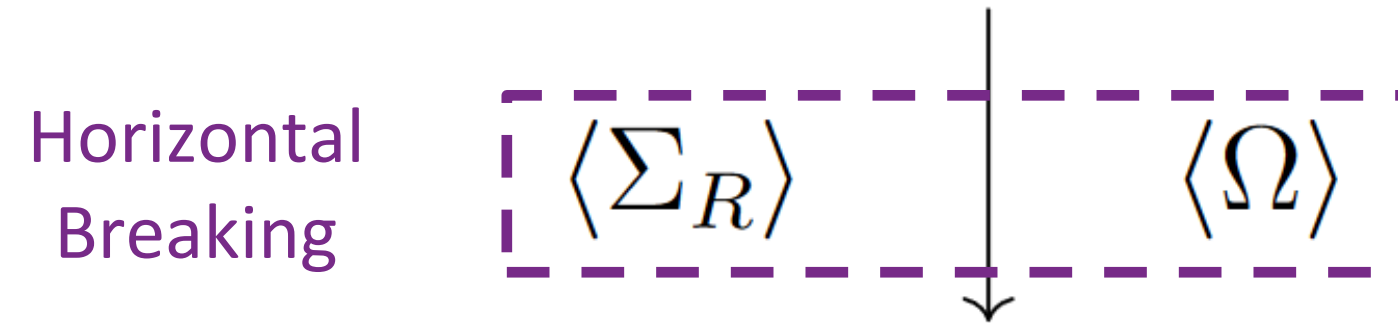
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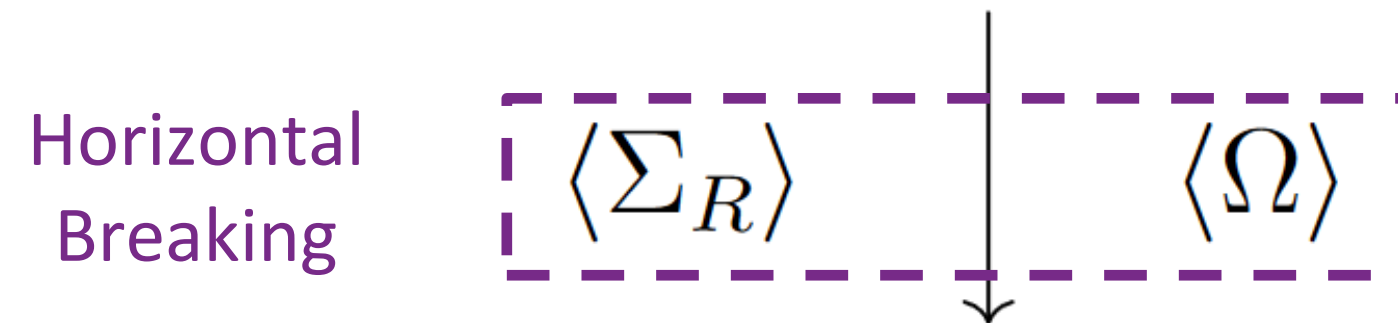
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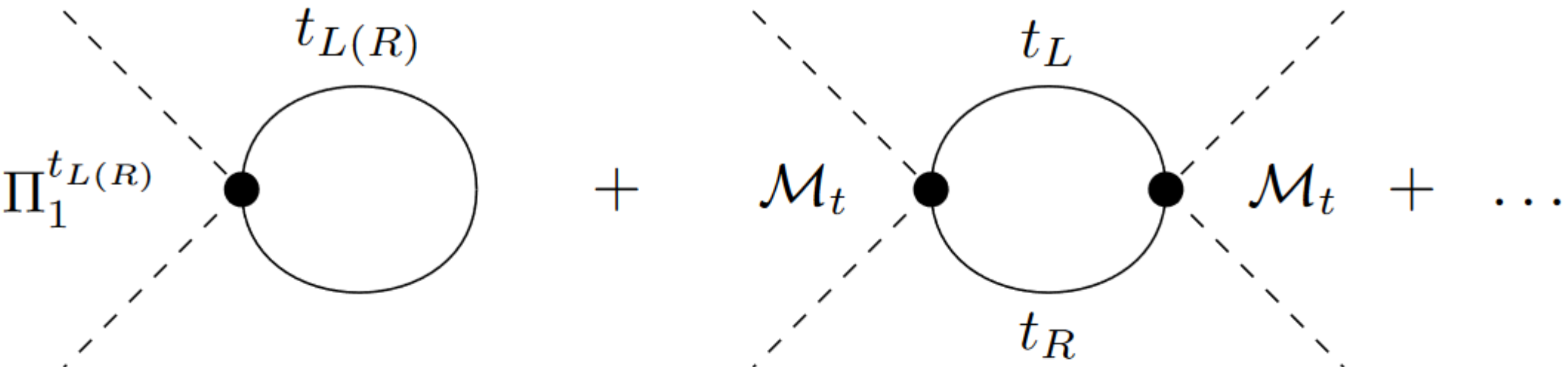
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→ The deconstruction scale is **anchored** by its impact on the Higgs potential

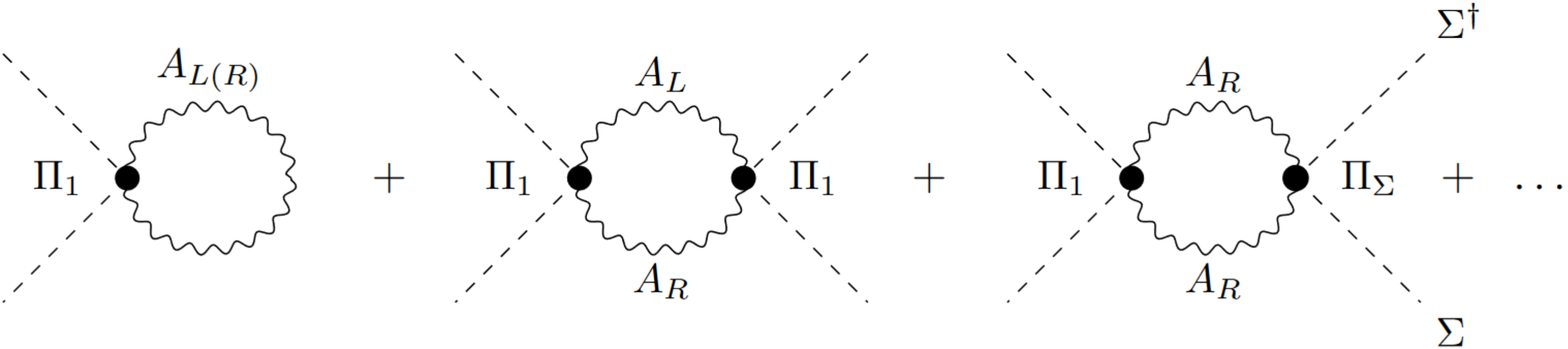
Higgs Potential

➔ Higgs potential induced at 1-loop

Fermion contribution
 $\Delta V(h)_f$



Gauge contribution
 $\Delta V(h)_A$



Higgs Potential

$$V(h) = \Delta V_f(h) + \Delta V_A(h) \approx c_0 - c_1 \sin^2 \left(\frac{h}{2F} \right) + c_2 \sin^4 \left(\frac{h}{2F} \right)$$

Naive dimensional analysis

$$c_{1,2} = O(1) \times F^4$$

VS

$$\frac{c_1}{F^4} \Big|_{\text{phys.}} = \frac{m_h^2}{F^2} \longrightarrow \text{Tuning } (m_h^2/F^2 \lesssim 0.03)$$

$$\frac{c_2}{F^4} \Big|_{\text{phys.}} = \frac{2m_h^2}{v^2} \approx \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{Natural}$$

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$$\frac{c_2}{F^4} = \frac{N_c y_t^2}{4\pi^2} \frac{M_T^2}{F^2} + \text{Gauge contributions (suppressed)}$$

↑
Top partner

$$\longrightarrow \boxed{M_T \approx 2.5F}$$

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Top partner
Gauge contributions

Recall, we need: $\frac{c_1}{F^4} \Big|_{\text{phys.}} = \frac{m_h^2}{F^2} \longrightarrow \text{Tuning } (m_h^2/F^2 \lesssim 0.03)$

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➡ Increase size of gauge contribution $\longrightarrow g_{R,3} = O(1) \gg g_{R,12} \approx g_Y^{\text{SM}}$
 (Allowed by flavour non-universality !)

➡ Avoid suppression / sign flip $\longrightarrow M_{W_R}^2 = \frac{1}{4} g_R^2 v_\Sigma^2 < \frac{1}{2} M_\rho^2$

Phenomenological Constraints

➤ Constraints related to strong dynamics

- Modification of VVh- and VVhh-couplings

$$F \gtrsim 500 \text{ GeV}$$

- Top partners and heavy resonances searches

$$M_T \gtrsim 1.5 \text{ TeV} \longrightarrow F \gtrsim 600 \text{ GeV}$$

$$M_\rho \gtrsim 5 \text{ TeV}$$

- EWPO (S and T parameters)

$$g_{L,R}^2 \frac{v^2}{M_\rho^2} \lesssim 10^{-3}$$

➤ Constraints related to flavoured gauge bosons

- $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$
- Bound on Z-pole obs. } $v_\Sigma \gtrsim 3 \text{ TeV}$

- Bounds on Z' masses from FCNC (B_s -mixing)

$$v_\Omega \gtrsim 2.7 \text{ TeV} \text{ (up- vs down-alignment)}$$

- LHC bound from Drell-Yan data

$$v_\Sigma \gtrsim 2.0 \text{ TeV}$$

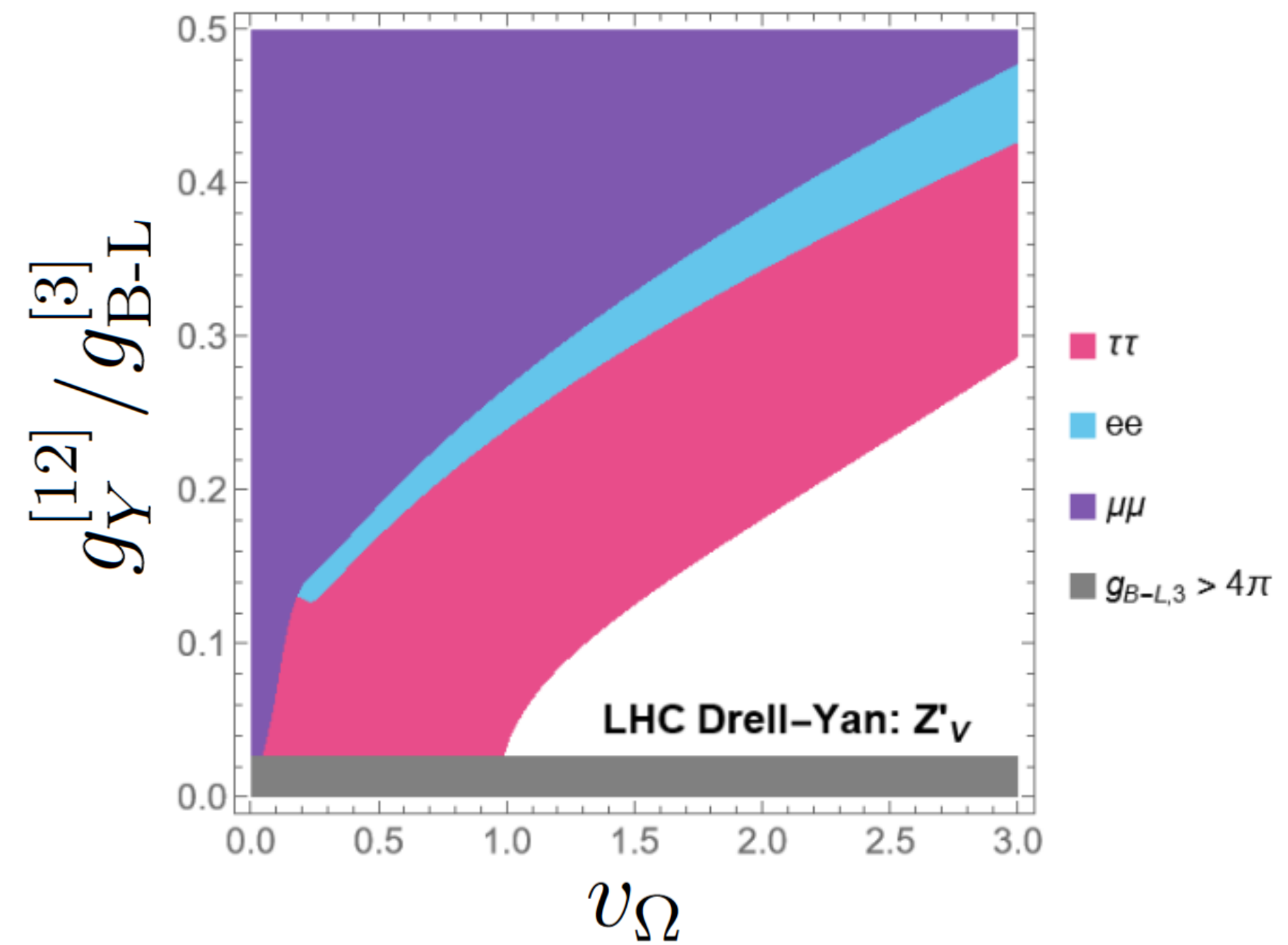
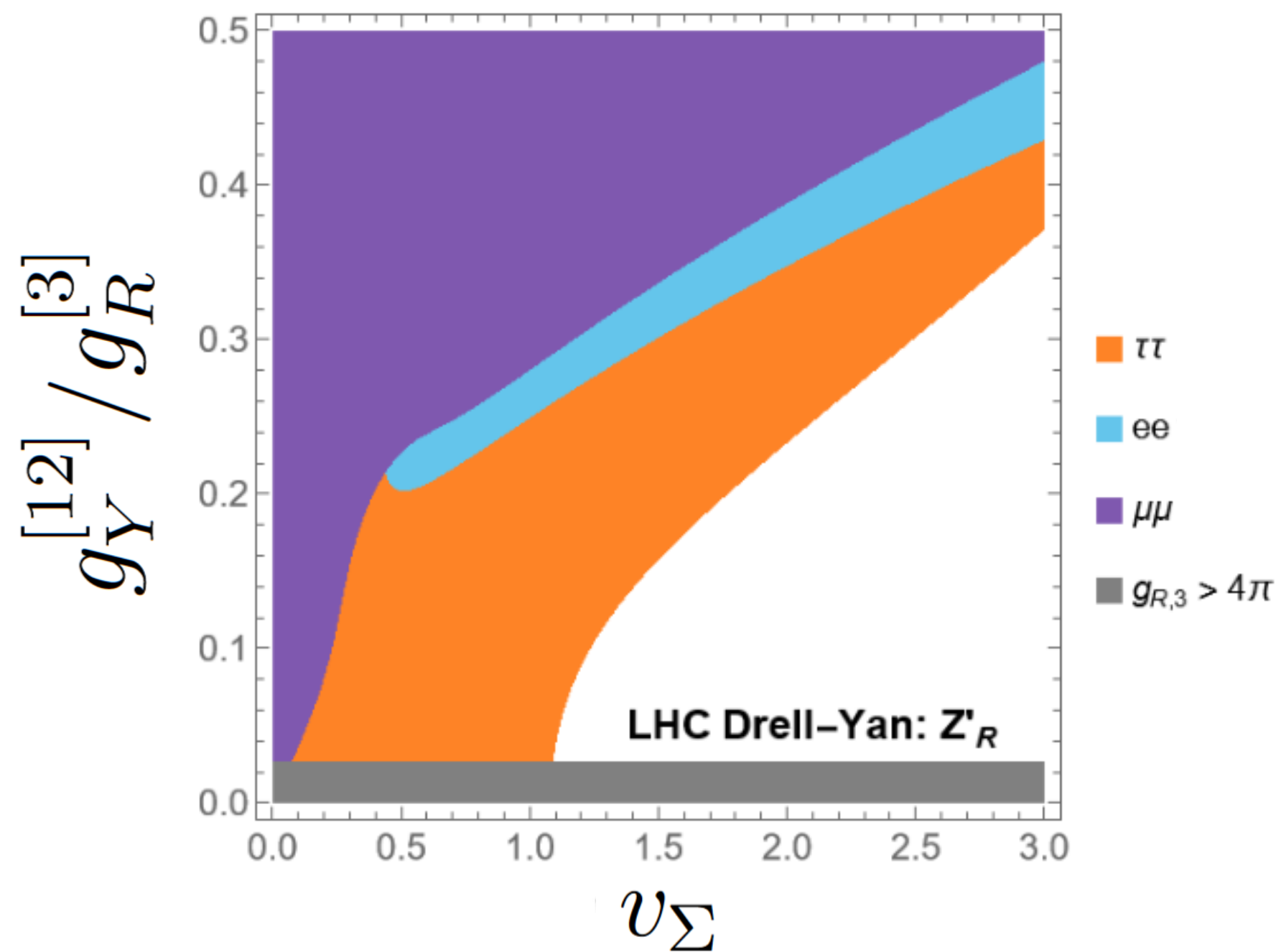
Phenomenological Constraints

Benchmark scenario

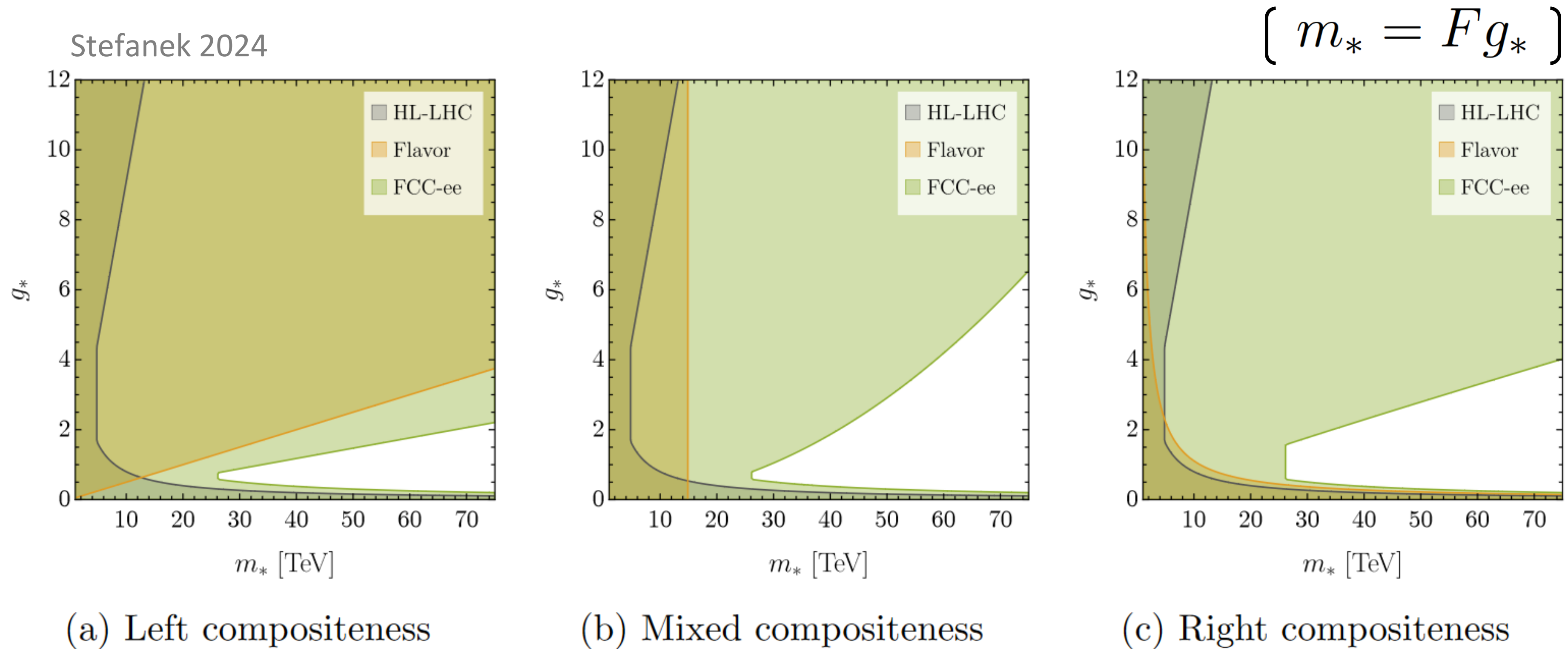
- Large 3rd gen. RH gauge coupling: $g_{R,3} = O(1)$
- Light Top partner $M_T \approx 2$ TeV and $M_\rho \approx 10$ TeV
- Compositeness scale $F \approx 750$ GeV and $v_\Sigma \approx 3$ TeV

All constraints are satisfied and $\delta_{EW} \lesssim 10^{-3}$

- ➔ 3% tuning in the potential
- ➔ $O(1\%)$ corrections to Higgs couplings



Composite Higgs @ HL-LHC and FCC-ee



➡ With improved precision: RG-running into EWPO become **crucial**

➡ Composite Higgs will be put under a microscope @ FCC-ee!

Conclusion

- Interesting pheno & possible NP coupled to 3rd gen @ few TeV compatible with current exp. bounds
- Flavour non-universality + Higgs compositeness \longrightarrow interesting interplay for BSM and predictive framework

➔ Future directions: Explore other global symmetries of the strong sector

$$Sp(6)_{\text{global}} \longrightarrow SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R^{[3]} \times SU(2)_R^{[12]}$$

Conclusion

Flavour and Hierarchy problem = important guides for BSM model building

FCC-ee will probe the Higgs better than ever before

➡ what if we see « nothing » = SM only... ?

Thank you for your attention !