



BSM lessons from flavor

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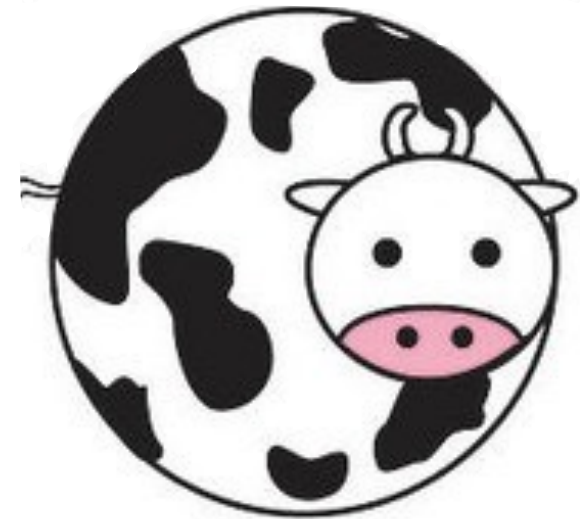
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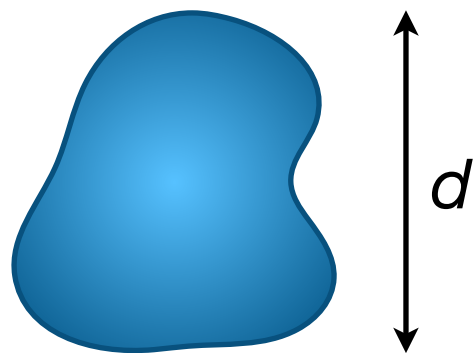
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- ◆ Example: electrostatic potential at long distances

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$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 \text{SO}(3) & \longrightarrow & \text{SO}(2) & \longrightarrow & \emptyset \\
 1/R & & d/R^2 & & d^2/R^3
 \end{array}$$

$$V(\vec{R}) = \int \frac{\rho(\vec{r})}{|\vec{R} - \vec{r}|} d^3r \xrightarrow{R \gg d} \frac{Q}{R} + \frac{\vec{Q}_1 \cdot \vec{R}}{R^3} + \frac{Q_2^{ij} R_i R_j}{R^5} + \dots$$

The Standard Model EFT

The SM is an Effective Theory valid up to a scale Λ ; expansion in E/Λ

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} = \mathcal{L}_{d \leq 4} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \mathcal{L}_{d=5} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{L}_{d=6} + \dots$$

♦ $d = 4$: $\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} + g A_\mu (\bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi) + Y_{ij} H \bar{\psi}^i \psi^j + \lambda |H|^4$

the “spherical cow”: renormalizable SM Lagrangian, accounts for all what we see!

Accidental symmetries of SM: B, L, custodial SO(4)

♦ $d = 5$: $\frac{b_{ij}}{\Lambda} L_i L_j H H$

♦ $d = 6$: $\frac{c_{ijkl}}{\Lambda^2} \psi_i \psi_j \psi_k \psi_l + \frac{c_{ij}}{\Lambda^2} (\psi_i \sigma_{\mu\nu} \psi_j) F^{\mu\nu} + \dots$

(the head, tail, horns of the cow...)

♦ ... **Flavor is crucial!**

The “spherical cow”

I. The SM is valid up to $\Lambda \gg m_W$

♦ Neutrino masses determined by dim. 5 term $\mathcal{L}_5 = \frac{b_{ij}}{\Lambda} L_i L_j H H$

very high scale $\Lambda \sim 10^{14}$ GeV explains why $m_\nu \ll m_{q,l}$

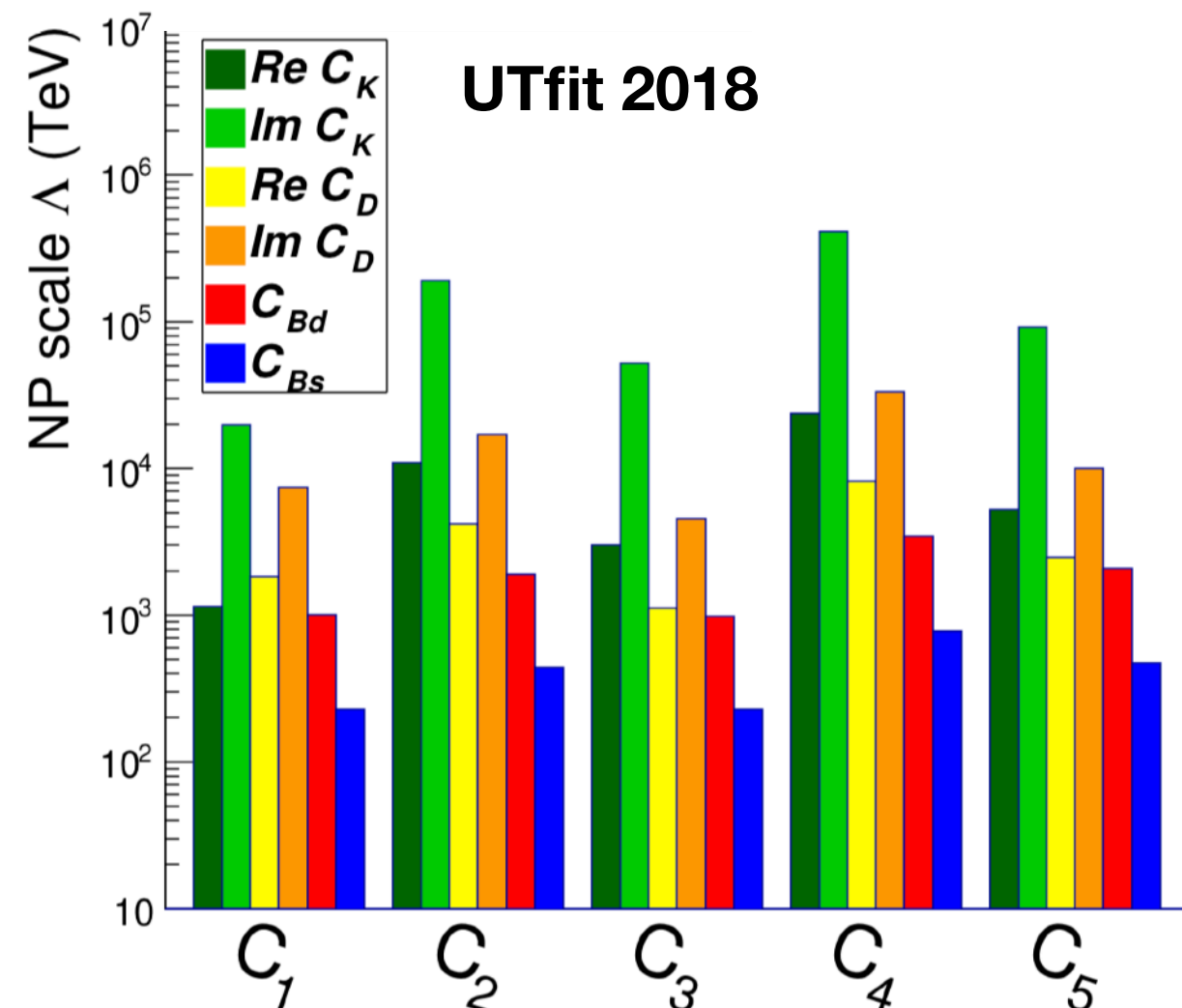
♦ All other physical effects much more suppressed (dim. 6 operators):

B, L automatically conserved

Flavor in agreement with CKM

Agreement with all experiments!
(but we'll never see anything new)

however... indications that this
might not be the correct picture



The hierarchy paradox

The only dim. 2 term in the Lagrangian: Higgs mass

$$\mathcal{L} = c_2 \Lambda^2 |H|^2 + \mathcal{L}_4 + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \mathcal{L}_5 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{L}_6 + \dots$$

1. EW scale expected of order Λ ,
unless c_2 suppressed by some symmetry

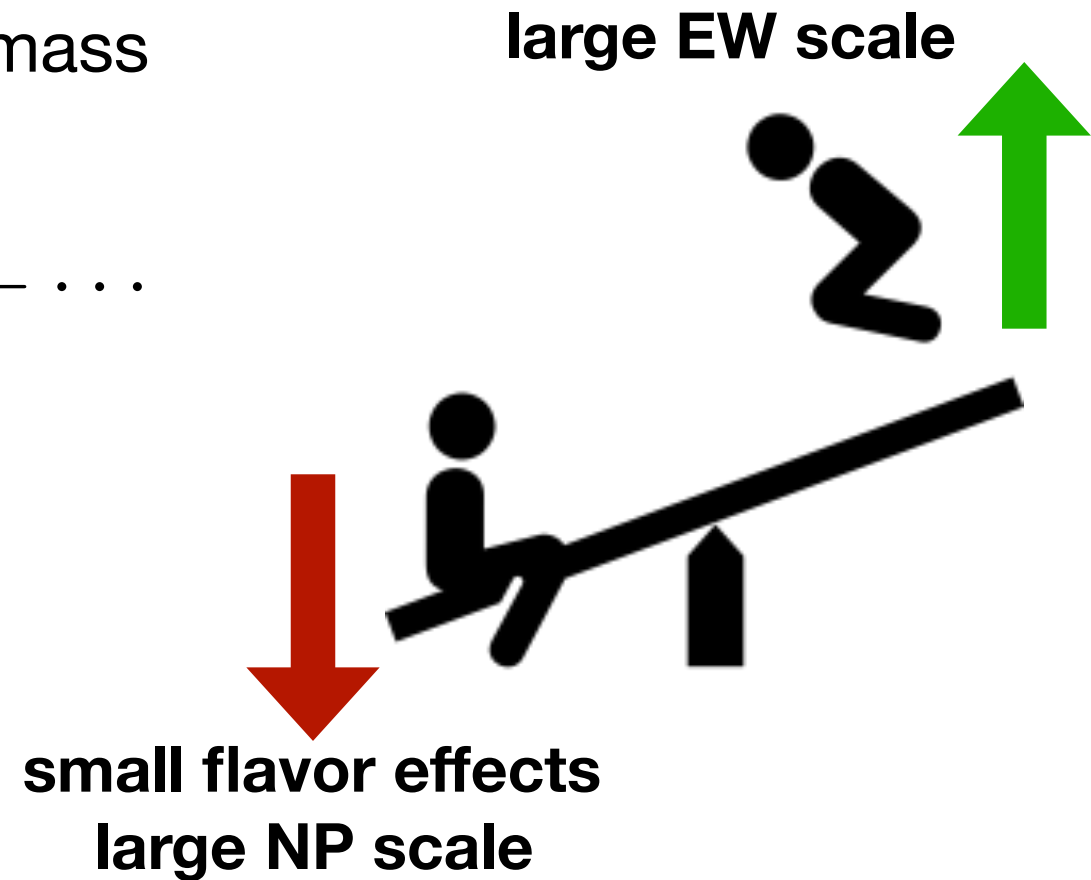
(no such symmetry in SM)

2. Higher dimension terms could be small for other reasons:

- ♦ Dim. 5: neutrino mass violates L
- ♦ Dim. 6: maybe complex flavor structure / flavor symmetries

Need to complicate the theory: impose symmetries, model building

☞ But flavor exists! We'll need to find an explanation anyway, at some point...



The importance of precision measurements

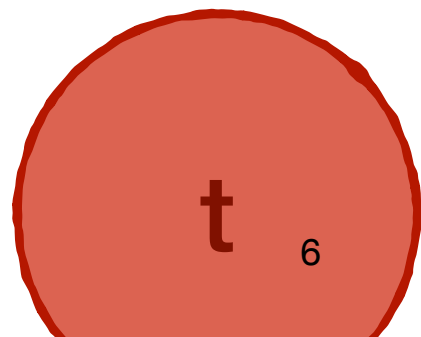
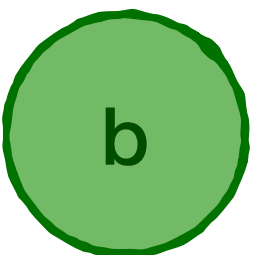
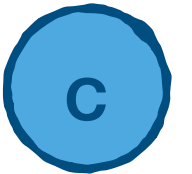
Rare (flavor) processes are the ideal place to look for New Physics!

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM+NP}} \xrightarrow{E \ll m_W} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_i \mathcal{O}_i \left(\frac{C_i^{\text{NP}}}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{C_i^{\text{SM}}}{v^2} \right)$$

usually suppressed by loops & CKM factors

Several examples of great indirect discoveries in the past:

- ◆ Small $K_L \rightarrow \mu\mu$ branching ratio: existence of charm (GIM)
Glashow, Iliopoulos, Maiani 1970
- ◆ Frequency of K-K oscillations: prediction of charm mass
Lee, Gaillard 1974
- ◆ CPV in K system: existence of 3rd generation
Kobayashi, Maskawa 1973
- ◆ Frequency of B-B oscillations: prediction of large top mass
late 1980's
- ◆ (ElectroWeak Precision Tests: prediction of Higgs mass)
late 1990's

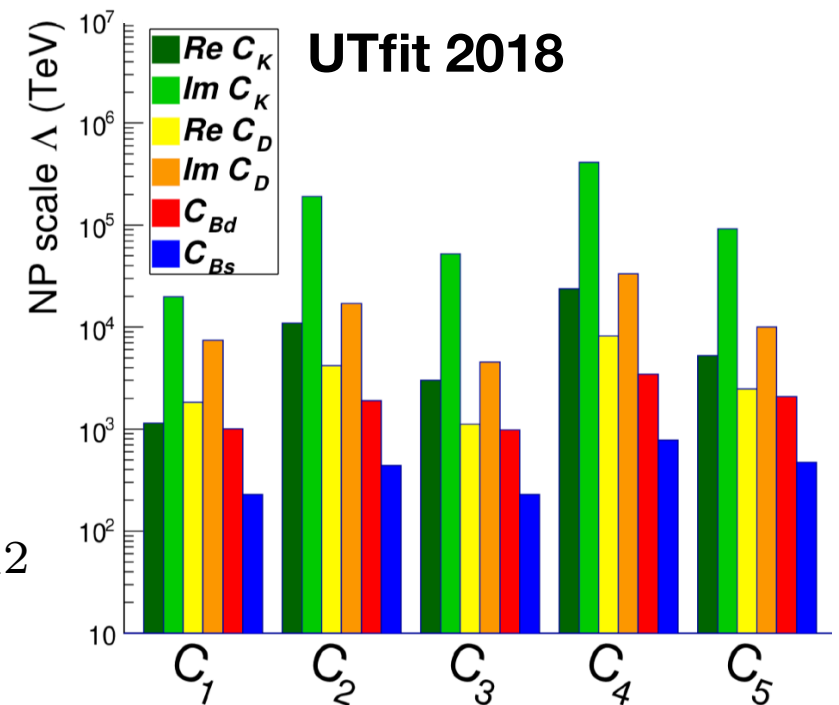


Flavor symmetries

- ◆ Insisting on $\Lambda \sim \text{TeV}$ requires a suppression of FCNC by means of **symmetries**

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In the SM, the only source of flavor transitions are Yukawa couplings $C_{i \rightarrow j}^{\text{SM}} \approx Y_{ik} Y_{jk}^* / 16\pi^2$



- ◆ In the limit $Y \rightarrow 0$, the SM has an exact *flavor symmetry*

$$SU(3)_q \times SU(3)_u \times SU(3)_d \times SU(3)_\ell \times SU(3)_e \quad \text{broken by } \mathbf{Y}_{u,d,\ell}$$

- ◆ Maximal amount of suppression: NP also breaks symmetry **only with Y**

$$C_{i \rightarrow j}^{\text{NP}} \approx Y_{ik} Y_{jk}^*$$

NP with CKM-like flavor structure

$$\Lambda^2 \approx (4\pi v)^2 \times (\Delta \mathcal{O} / \mathcal{O}) \approx \text{few TeV}^2$$

Minimal Flavor Violation

U(2) symmetry

SM quark Yukawa couplings exhibit an approximate $U(2)^3$ flavour symmetry:

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_u &\sim \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \bullet \end{pmatrix} \\
 m_d &\sim \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \bullet \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 V_{\text{CKM}} \sim \begin{pmatrix} \bullet & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \bullet & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \bullet \end{pmatrix}
 \quad
 U(2)_{q_L} \times U(2)_{u_R} \times U(2)_{d_R}$$

$\psi_i = (\overset{2}{\psi_1 \ \psi_2} \overset{1}{\psi_3})$

◆ Good approximation of SM spectrum: $m_{\text{light}} \sim 0$, $V_{\text{CKM}} \sim 1$

Breaking pattern:

$$Y_{u,d} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow Y_{u,d} \approx \begin{pmatrix} \Delta & V_q \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta &\sim (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1}) \\ V_q &\sim (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}) \end{aligned}$$

Barbieri, B, Sala, Straub, 2012

◆ The *assumption* of a suitable breaking ensures MFV-like FCNC protection

◆ The most general symmetry that gives “**CKM-like**” interactions in a model-independent way

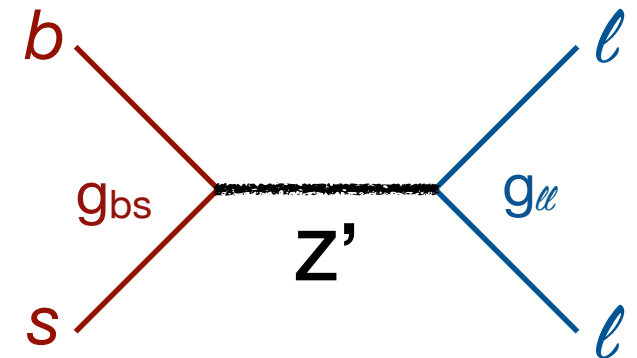
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◆ Can be extended to charged lepton sector $(U(2)_\ell \times U(2)_e)$ $m_\ell \sim \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \bullet \end{pmatrix}$

Rare decays

What energy scales can be probed through B physics, *under the most restrictive flavor assumptions (MFV / U(2))*?

Example: heavy Z' with flavour-violating bs coupling



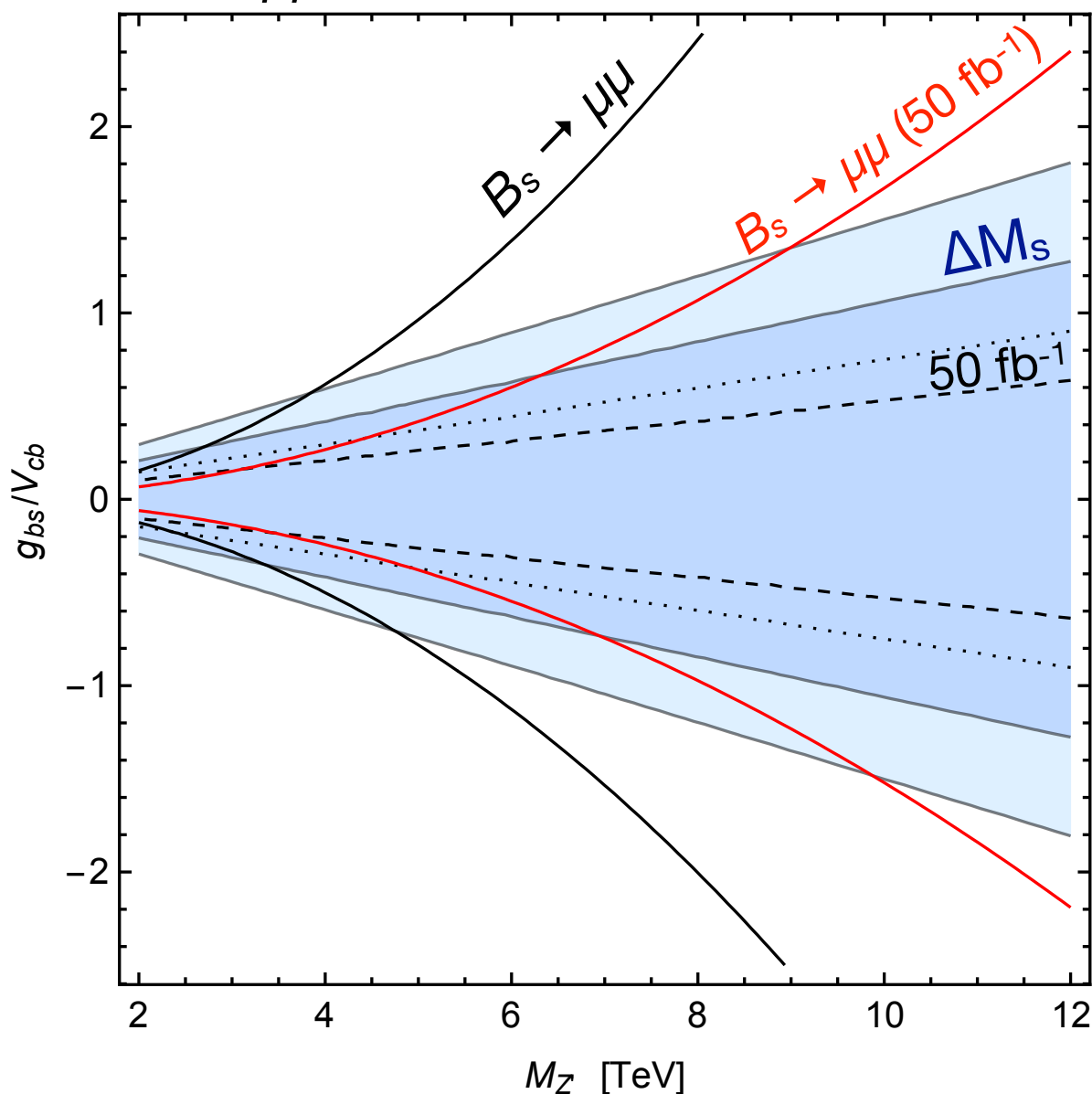
B_s mixing can probe mass scales up to ~ 10 TeV (for coupling $\sim V_{cb}$)

$$\Delta M_s \approx (g_{bs}^2 / \Lambda^2)$$

Rare decays (e.g. $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$) almost competitive at high luminosity

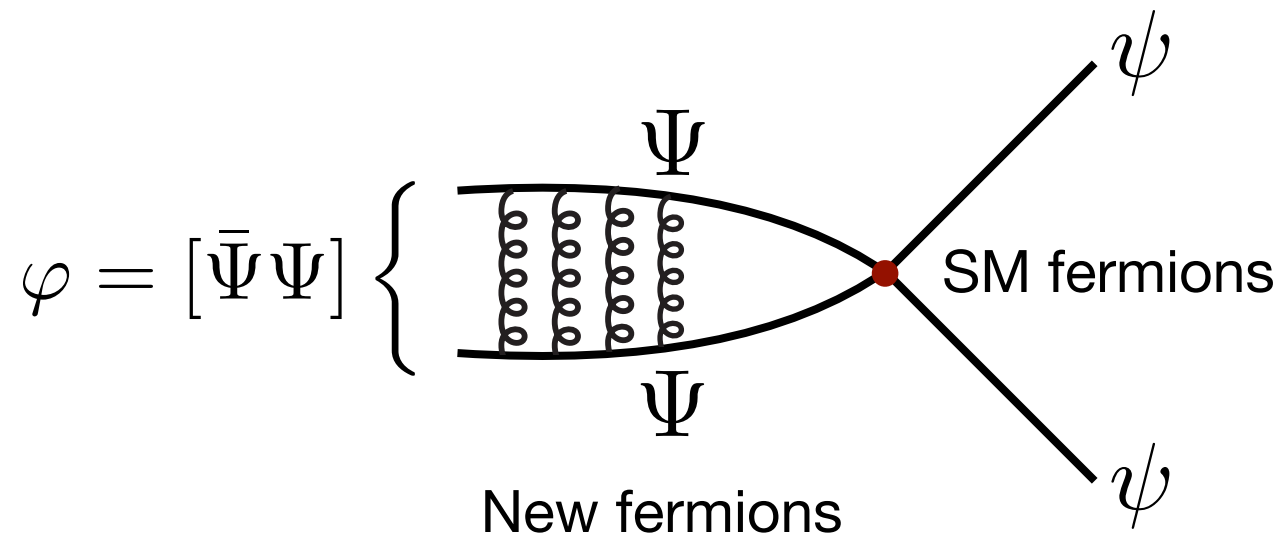
$$\mathcal{A}(B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) \approx (g_{bs} / \Lambda^2) \times g_{\mu\mu}$$

$B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ @ LHCb



A natural example: Composite Higgs

- ◆ The Higgs could be composite, due to new strong interaction at $\Lambda \sim \text{TeV}$



EW scale dynamically generated when $g_* \rightarrow 4\pi$

- ◆ Naturally light if it's a (pseudo-)Goldstone boson

Like the pion in QCD!

$$\text{When } g_* \rightarrow 4\pi, \quad \langle \bar{\Psi}^i \Psi^j \rangle = -f^2 B_0 \delta^{ij}$$

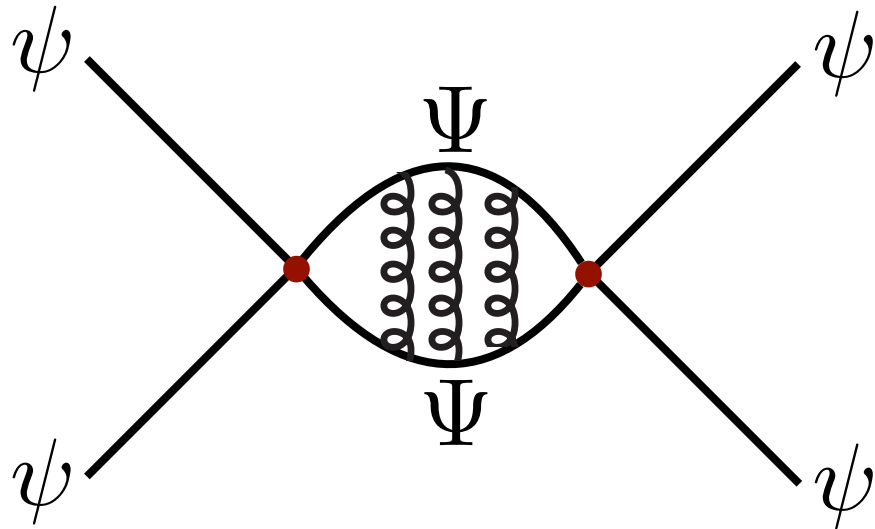
breaks a global symmetry $G \rightarrow H$

“pion” decay constant

- ➔ Modification of Higgs properties $\sim v^2/f^2$
- ➔ Other composite resonances with mass $m_\rho \sim g_* f < 4\pi f$
(analogous of ρ meson, nucleons, ...)

Flavour bounds in Composite Higgs

- SM quarks interact with the strong sector (Higgs) \Rightarrow large flavor effects!



- Natural suppression: interaction through Yukawa couplings
- Usually not enough: need **flavor symmetry**

		Minimal fermion resonance mass [TeV]			
		doublet	triplet	bidoublet	\leftarrow different models
	\textcircled{A}	4.9 [†]	1.7 [†]	1.2 ^{*†}	
different flavor symm. \downarrow	$U(3)_{LC}^3$	6.5	6.5	5.3	
	$U(3)_{RC}^3$	-	-	3.3	* $f > 500$ GeV and $g_\psi \approx 2.5$
	$U(2)_{LC}^3$	4.9 [‡]	0.6 [‡]	0.6 [‡]	† excluding ε_K , up to $O(1)$ factors
	$U(2)_{RC}^3$	-	-	1.1 [*]	‡ $r_b = 0.2$

Future projections

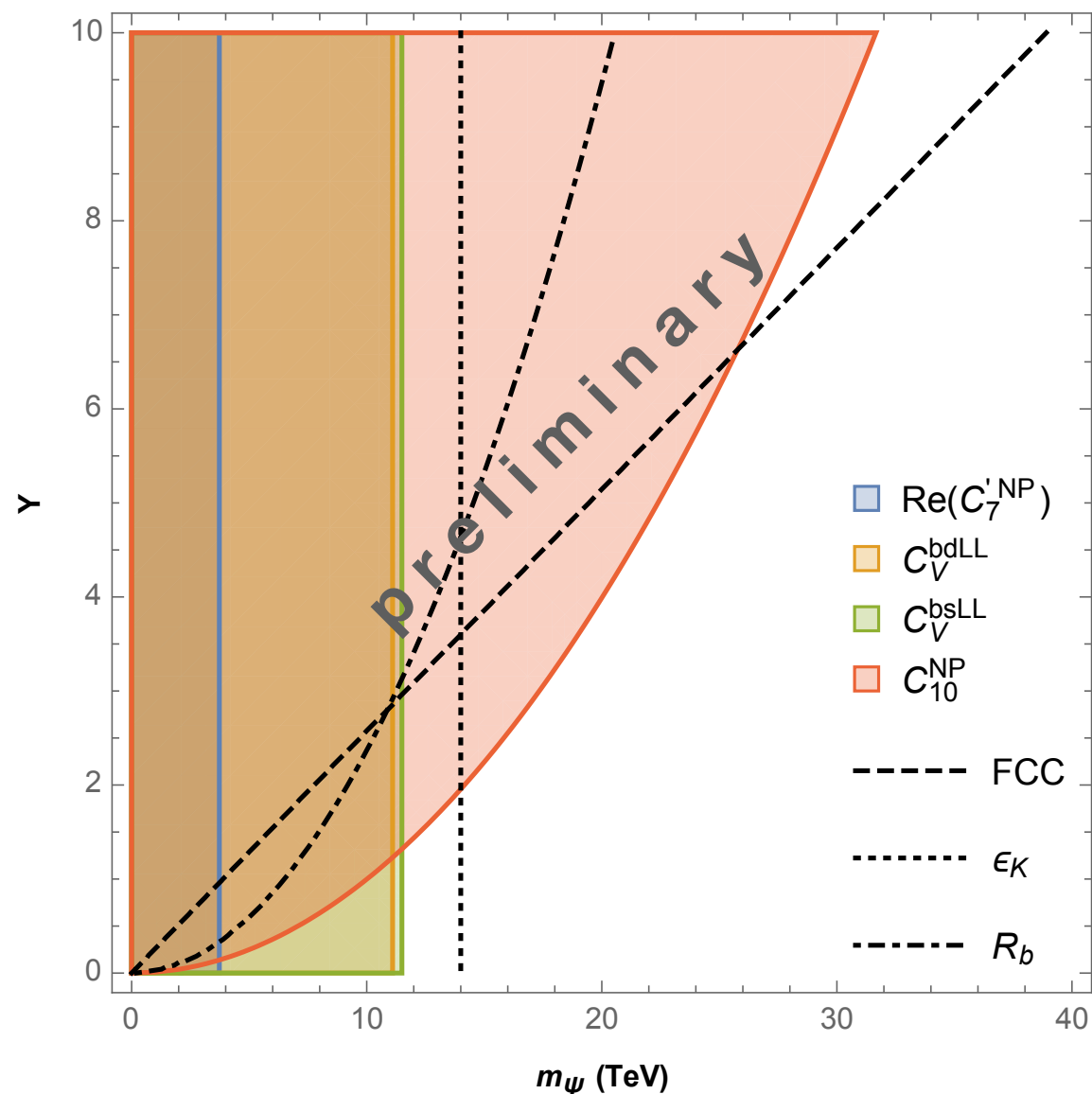
- ◆ Significant improvement in flavor measurements in the next (few) years!



(upgrade
1 & 2)



- ◆ Will flavor bounds on NP scale compete with a next-generation collider?



- ▶ Higgs factory precision on h couplings ($\sim 10^{-3}$, i.e. $f > 8$ TeV)
- ▶ direct searches at 100 TeV (roughly $M > 10$ TeV)

projections for
LHCb 300 fb^{-1} & Belle II

O(10 y) timescale!

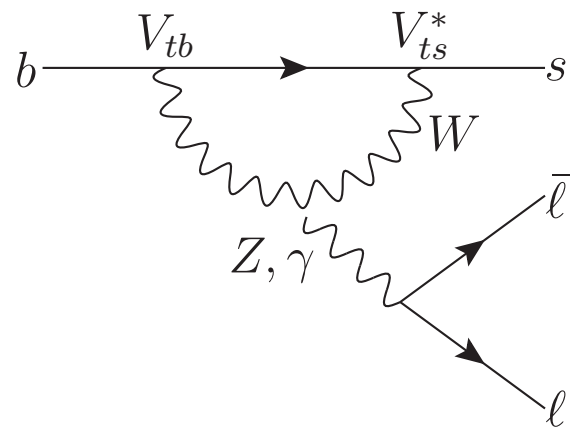
**work in progress
with L. Vittorio**

Not only bounds!

Lepton Flavor Universality

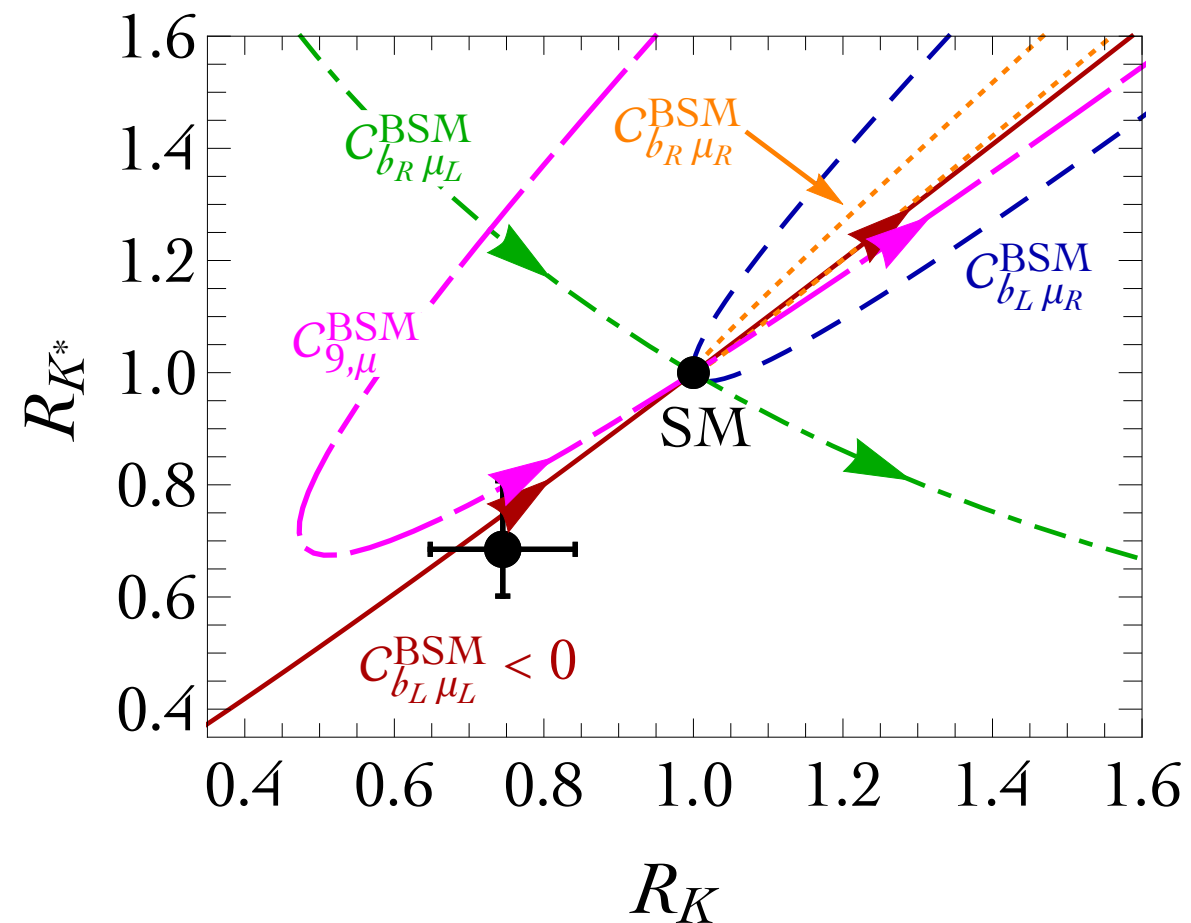


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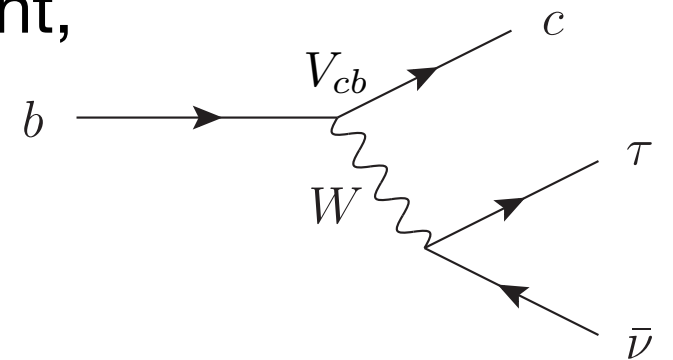
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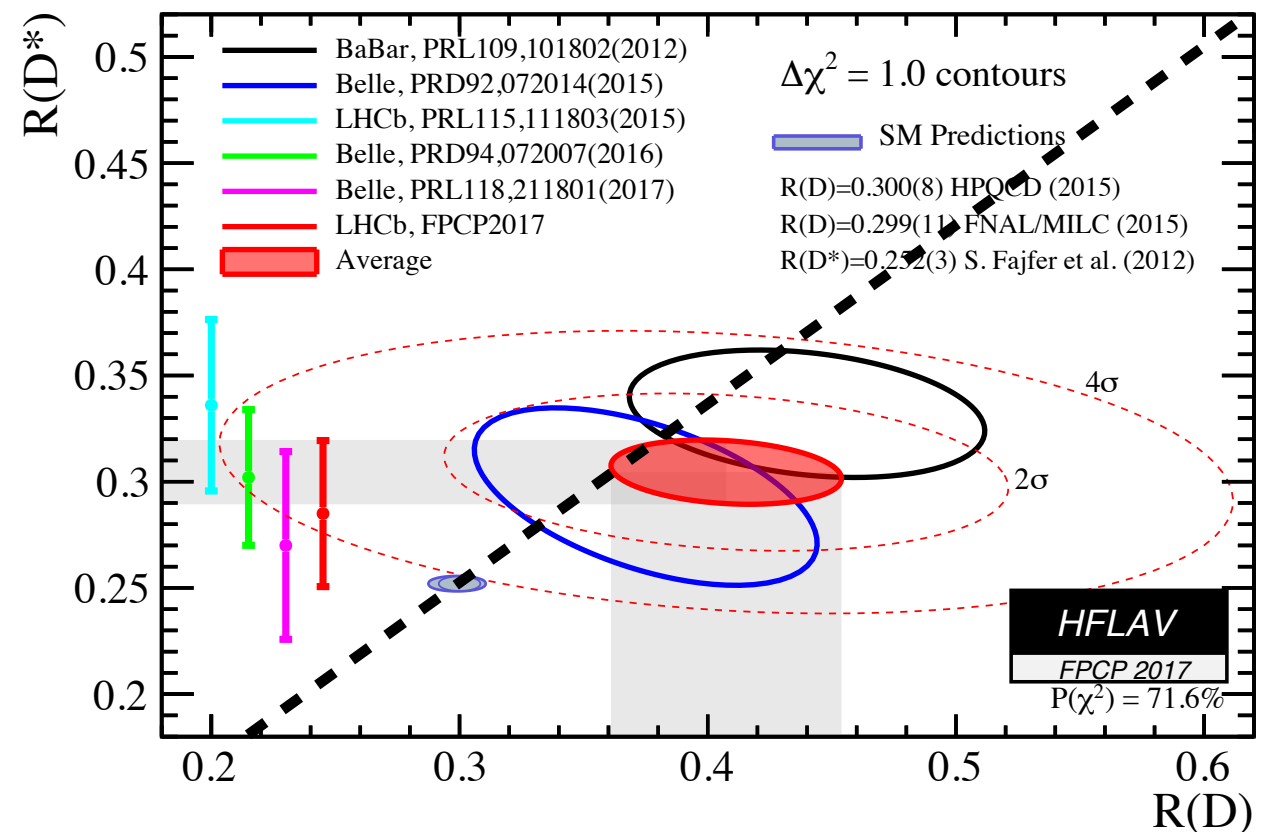
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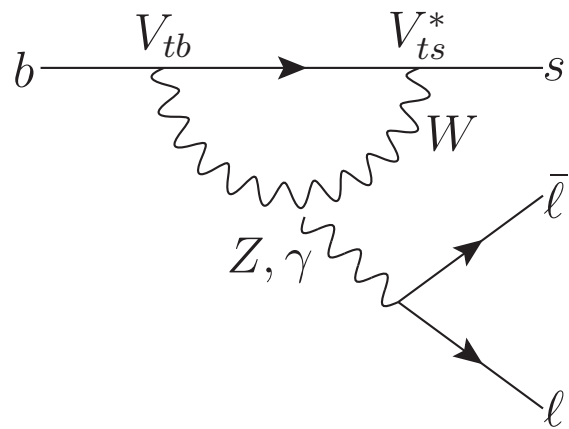
LFU ratios:

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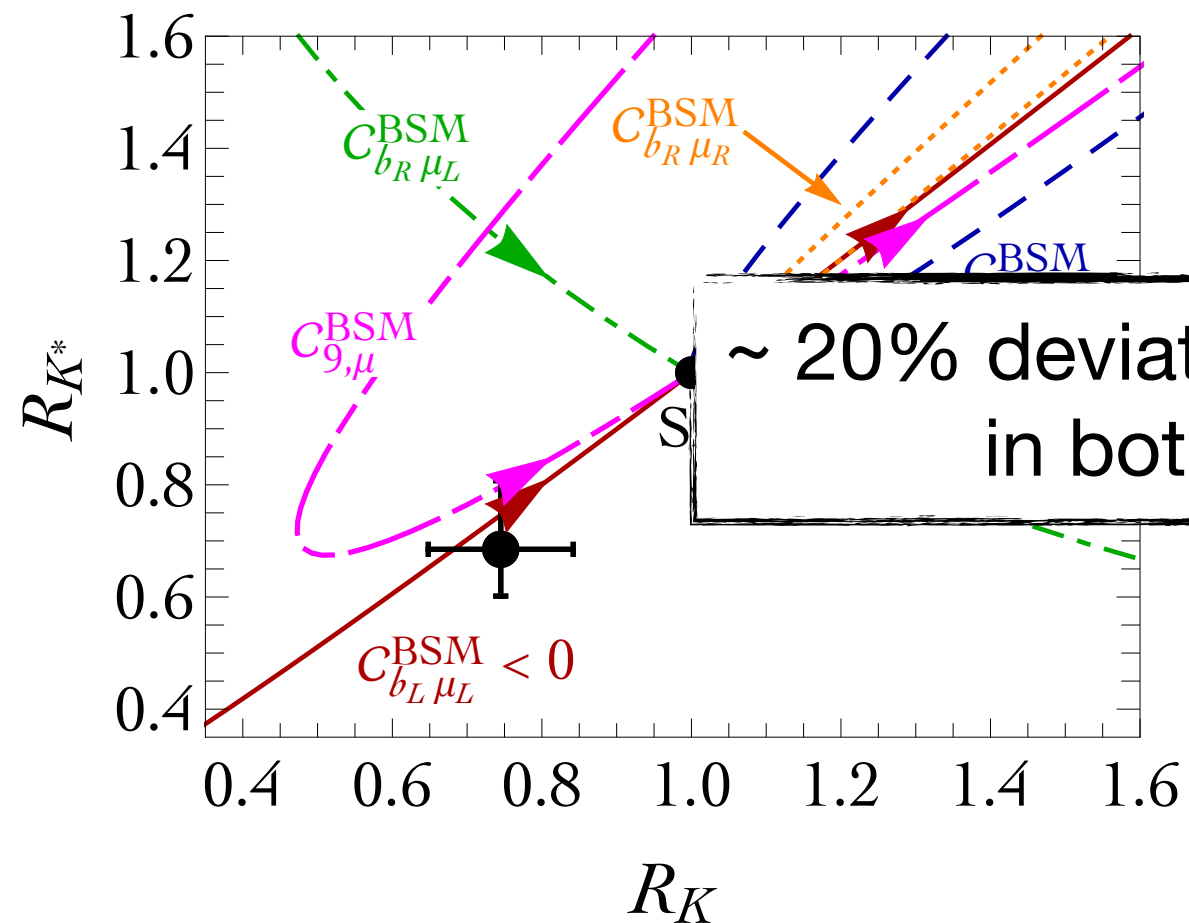
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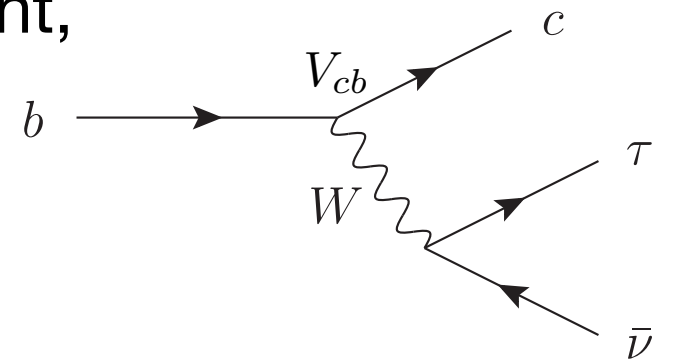
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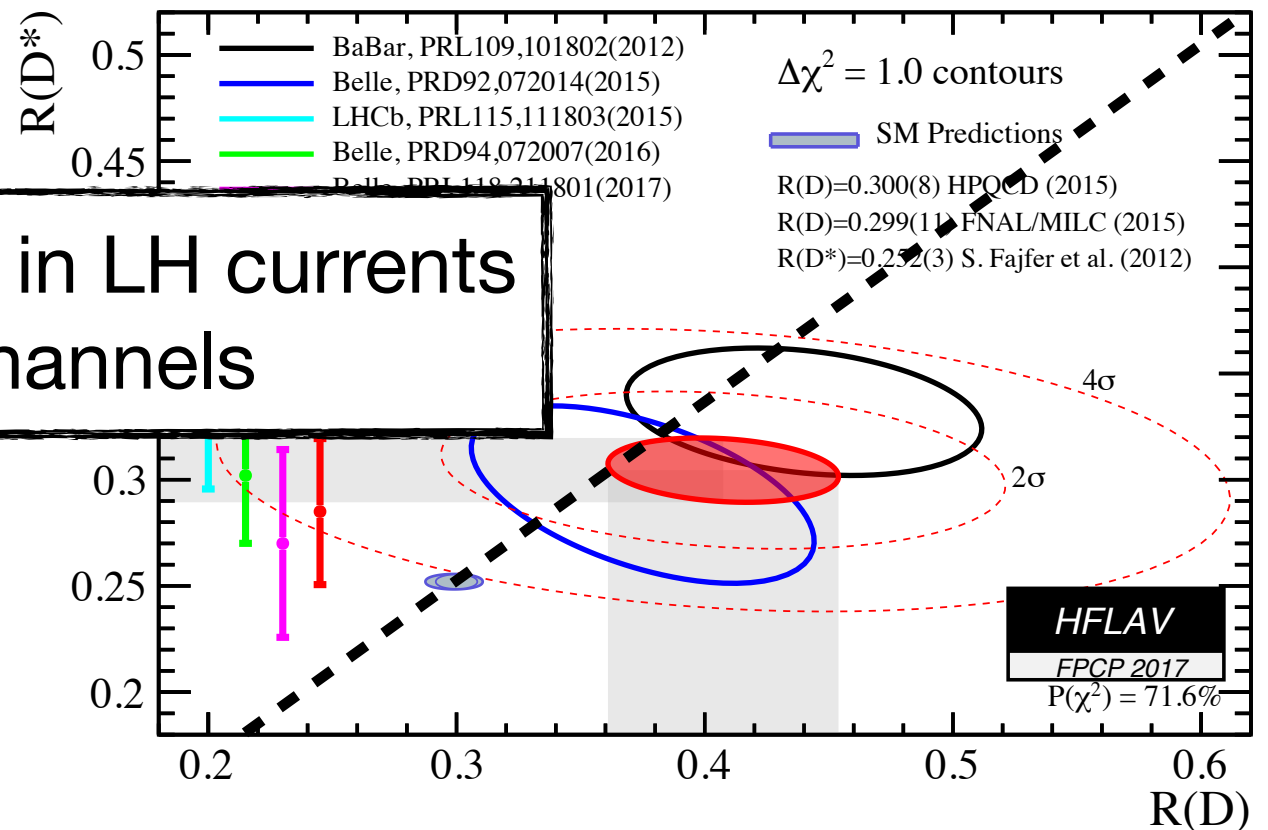
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Lepton Flavour Universality: a remark

- ♦ (Lepton) flavour universality is an accidental property of the gauge Lagrangian, **not a fundamental symmetry of nature**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{gauge}} = i \sum_{j=1}^3 \sum_{q,u,d,\ell,e} \bar{\psi}_j \not{D} \psi_j$$

- ♦ The only non-gauge interaction in the SM violates LFU maximally

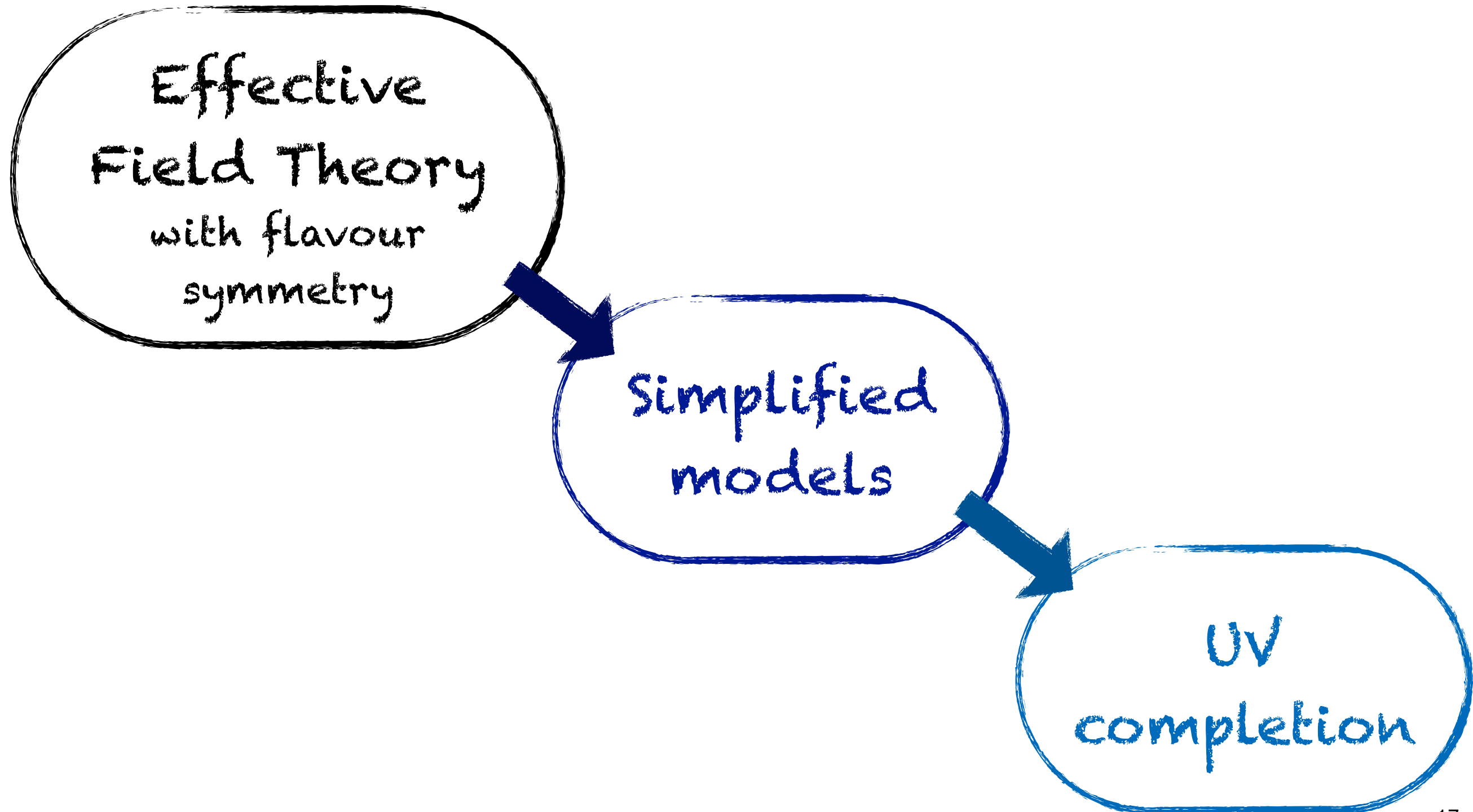
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = \bar{q}_L Y_u u_R H^* + \bar{d}_L Y_d d_R H + \bar{\ell}_L Y_e e_R H \quad Y_{u,d,e} \approx \text{diag}(0, 0, 1)$$

- ♦ LFU approximately satisfied in SM processes because lepton Yukawa couplings are small

$$y_\mu \approx 10^{-3} \quad y_\tau \approx 10^{-2}$$

➔ natural to expect LFU and flavour violations in BSM physics

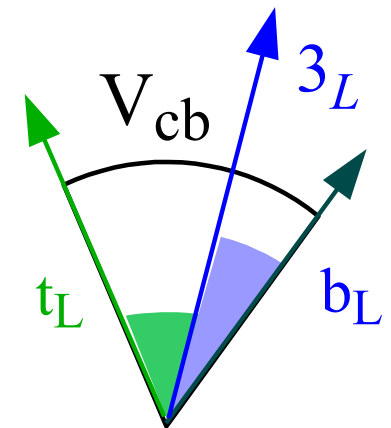
Is it possible to explain the whole set of anomalies
in a coherent picture?



What do we know?

1. Anomalies seen only in semi-leptonic processes: **quarks** x **leptons**
nothing observed in pure **quark** or **lepton** processes
2. Large effect in **3rd generation**: b quarks, $\tau\nu$ competes with **SM tree-level**
smaller non-zero effect in **2nd generation**: $\mu\mu$ competes with **SM FCNC**,
no effect in 1st generation

3. **Flavour alignment** with down-quark mass basis
to avoid large FCNC (true in general for BSM physics)



4. **Left-handed** four-fermion interactions

RH and scalar currents disfavoured: can be present, but do not fit the anomalies (both in charged and neutral current), Higgs-current small or not relevant

Problems

- **Direct searches:** large signal at high- p_T

$$\Lambda_D \simeq 3.4 \text{ TeV}$$

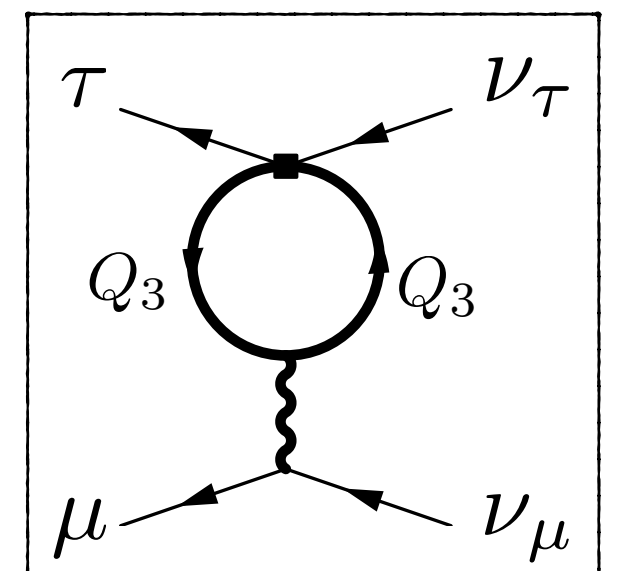
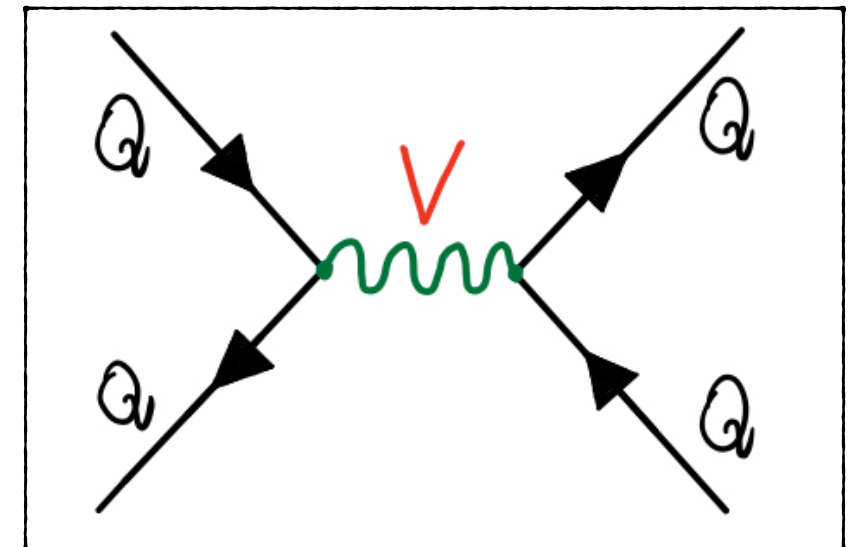
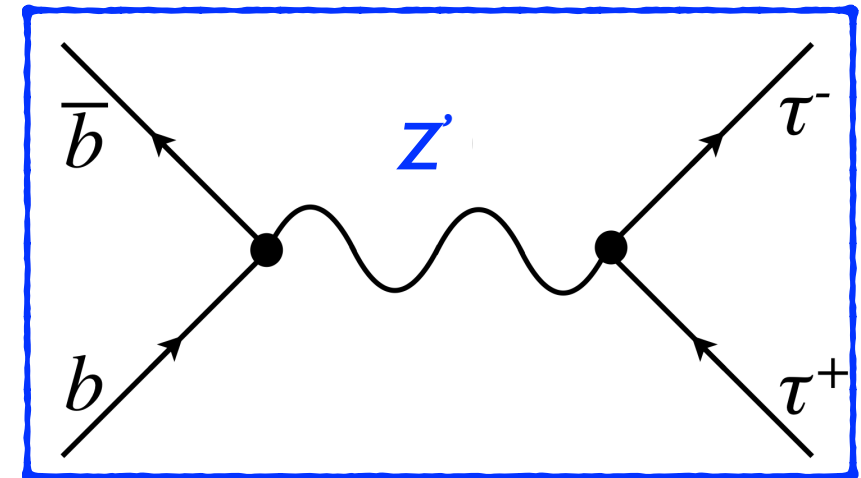
- **Flavour observables:**

- other semi-leptonic observables model independent
- meson mixing, lepton flavour violation depend on the model, generally present

- **ElectroWeak precision tests:**

W, Z couplings, τ decays, ...

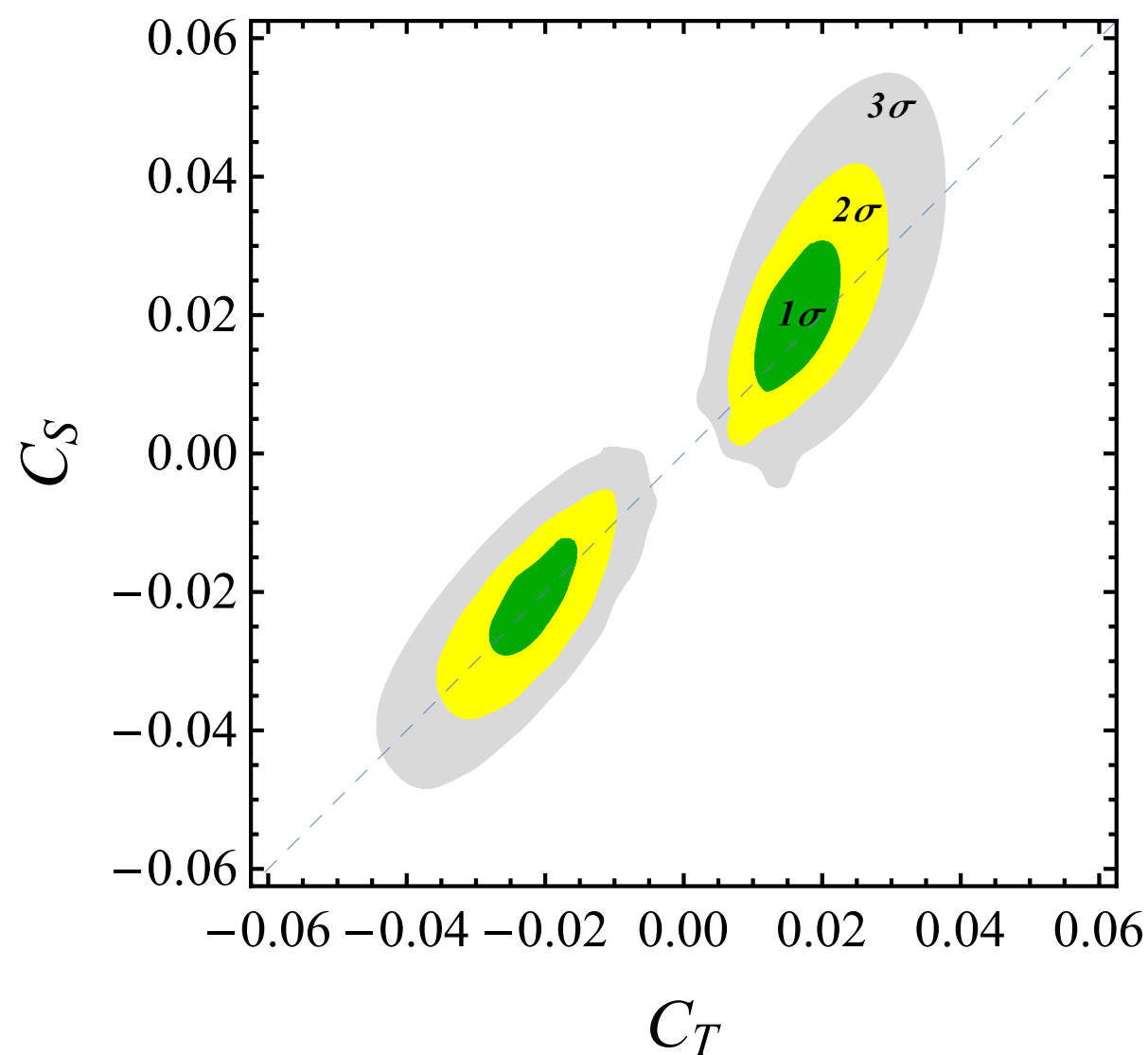
generated radiatively at one-loop



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B, Greljo, Isidori, Marzocca, 2017



R_D, R_{D^*}

$C_T \times V_q$

τ decays, EWPT

(1 loop) $\times C_{T,S}$

$R_K, R_{K^*}, b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$

$(C_T + C_S) \times V_q \times V_\ell^2$

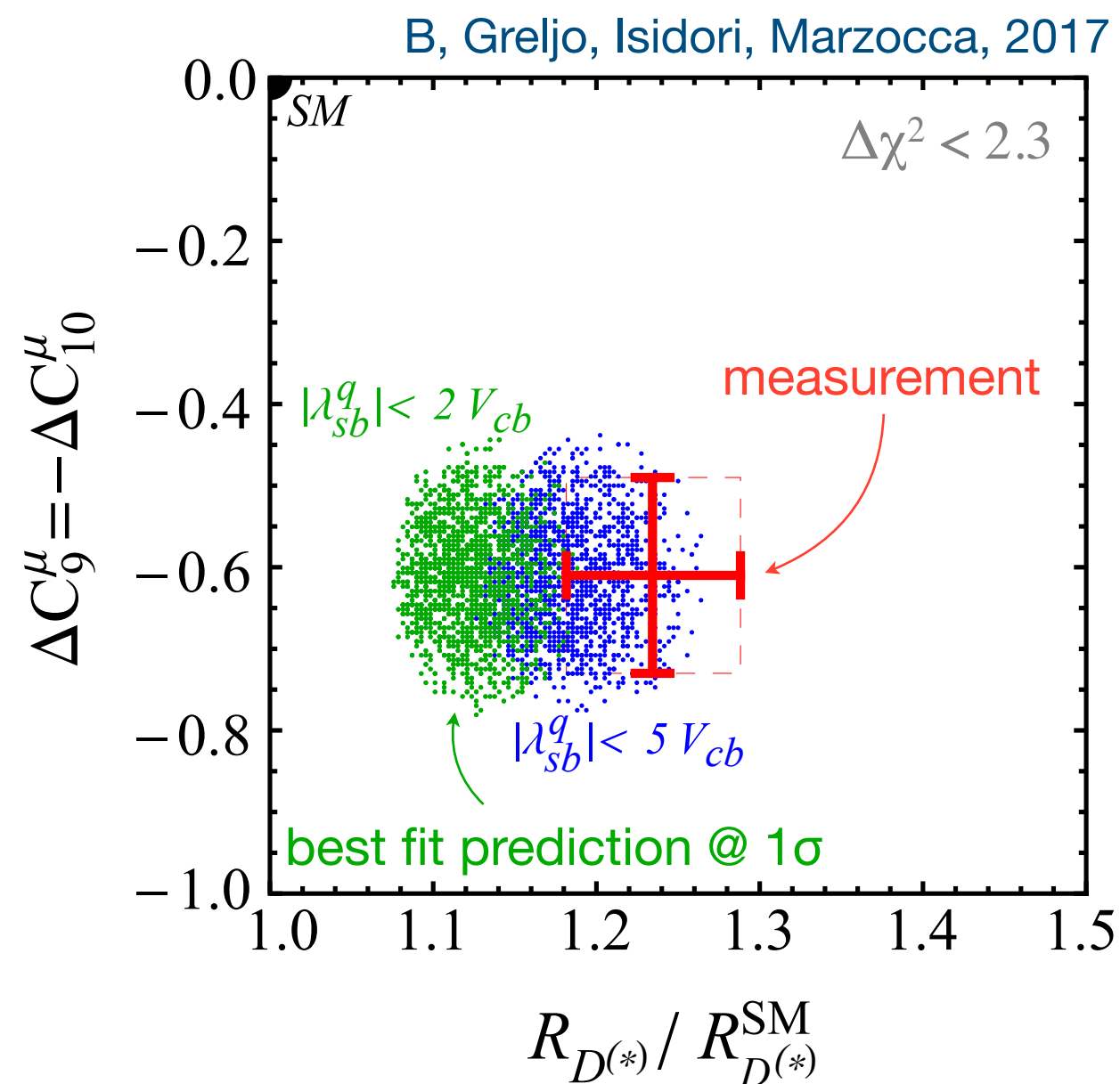
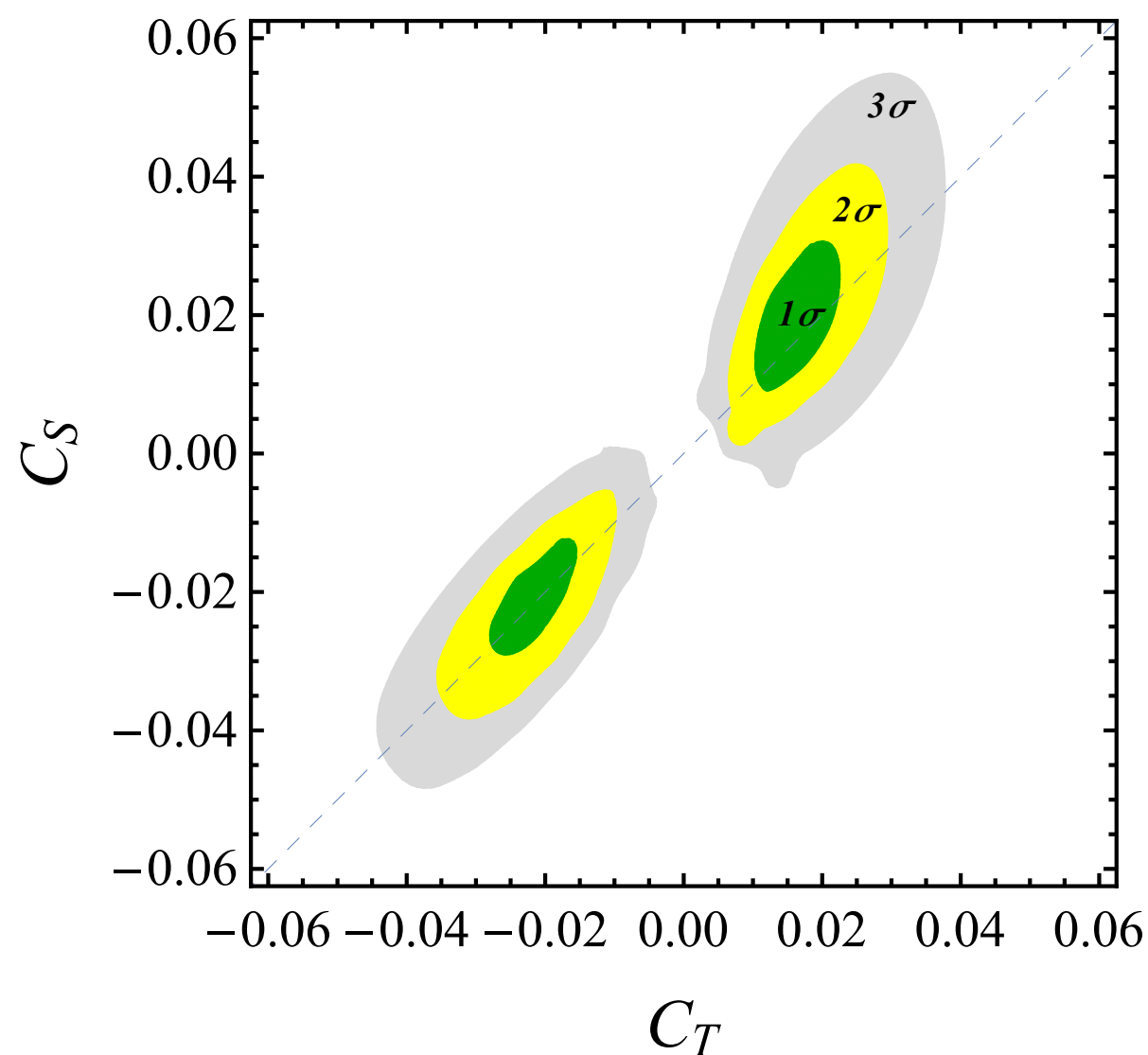
$b \rightarrow svv$

$(C_T - C_S) \times V_q$

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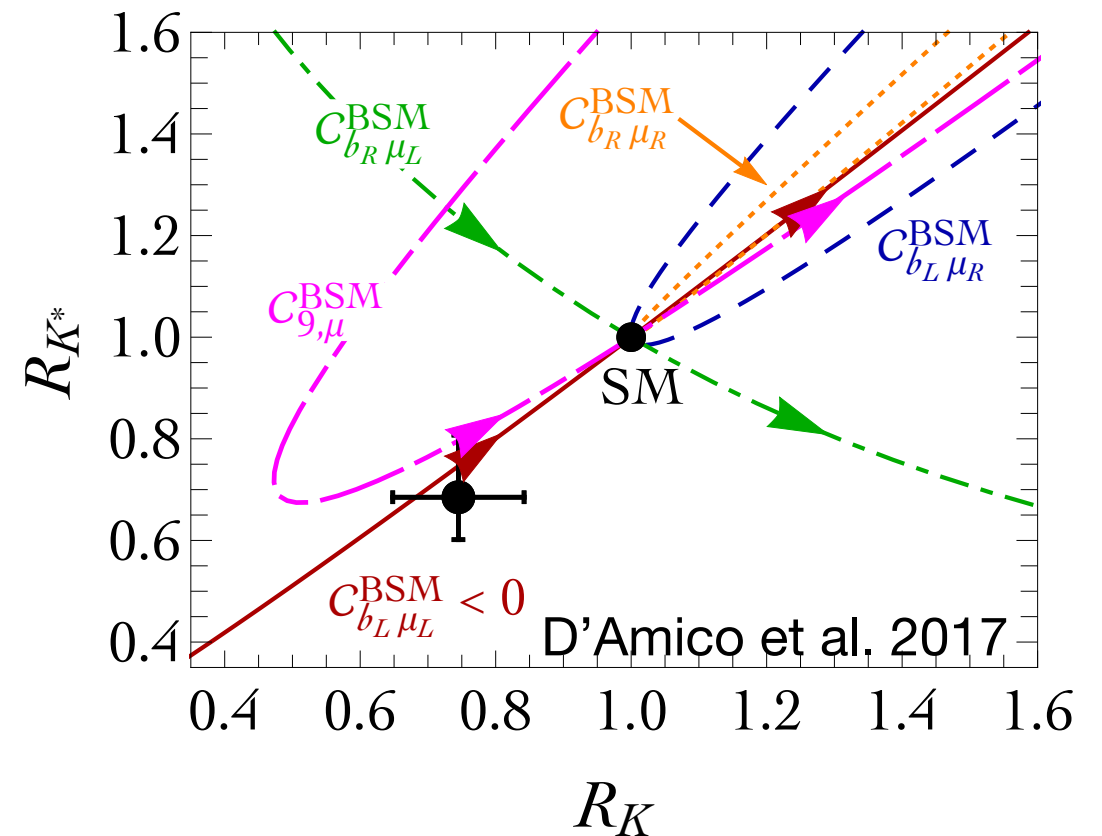
Relation to other observables: neutral currents

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		$\mu\mu$ (ee)
Quark flavour ↓ U(2) symmetry	$b \rightarrow s$	R_K, R_{K^*} $O(20\%)$
	$b \rightarrow d$	$B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu$ $B \rightarrow \pi \mu\mu$ $B_s \rightarrow K^{(*)} \mu\mu$ $O(20\%) [R_K=R_\pi]$
	$s \rightarrow d$	long-distance pollution

+ any other observable with the same quark-level transition...

independent of R_D



- the presence of RH/scalar currents breaks the correlation with the SM: e.g. $B \rightarrow \mu\mu$, $B \rightarrow \tau\tau$, $B \rightarrow \tau\mu$ could be enhanced

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Lepton flavour →

Quark flavour

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$s \rightarrow d$	<i>long-distance pollution</i>	<i>NA</i>	$K \rightarrow \pi \nu\nu$ $O(1)$

cannot suppress both channels
size determined by $R_{D^{()}}$*

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High-intensity program is crucial to test the flavour structure!

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Lepton flavour \rightarrow

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$b \rightarrow d$	$B_d \rightarrow \mu\mu$ $B \rightarrow \pi \mu\mu$ $B_s \rightarrow K^{(*)} \mu\mu$ O(20%) [$R_K = R_\pi$]	$B \rightarrow \pi \tau\tau$ $\rightarrow 100 \times \text{SM}$	$B \rightarrow \pi \nu\nu$ O(1)	$B \rightarrow \pi \tau\mu$ $\rightarrow \sim 10^{-7}$
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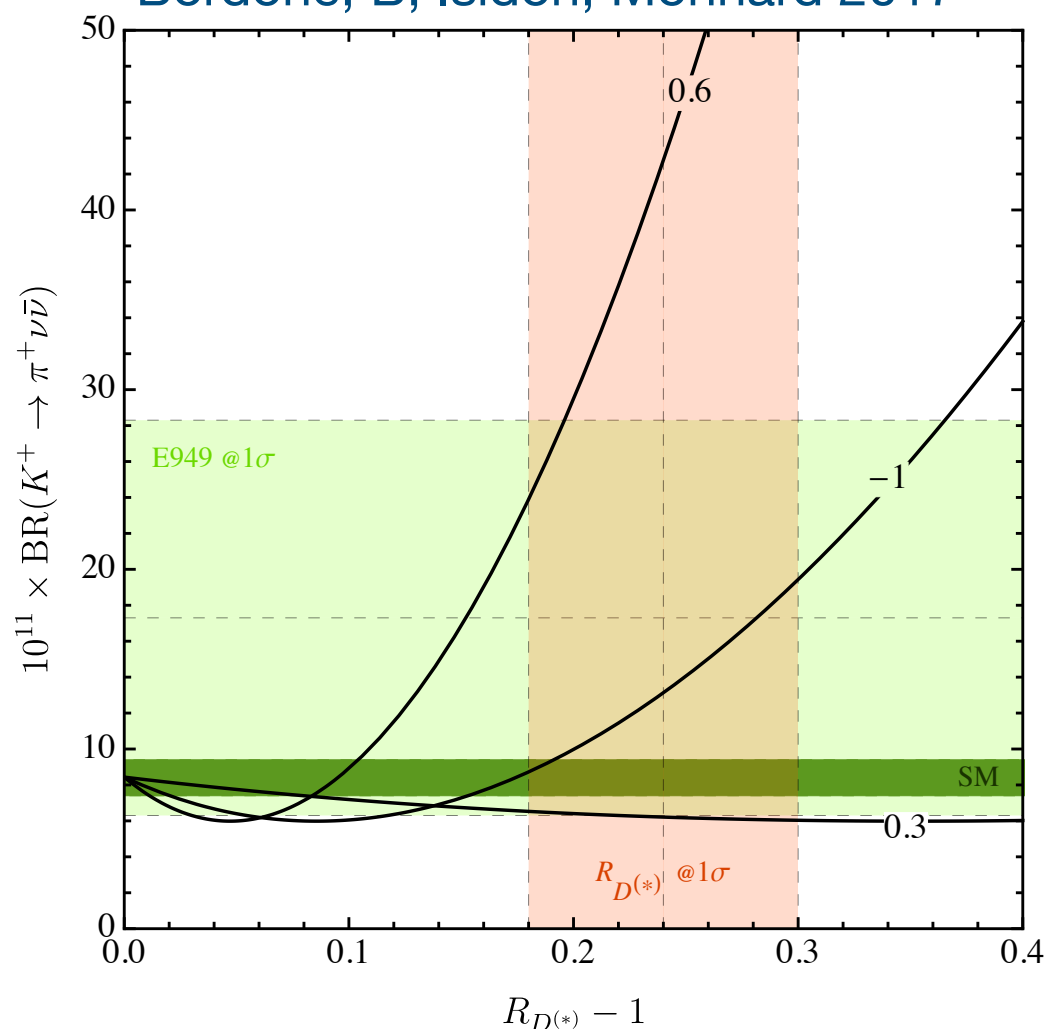
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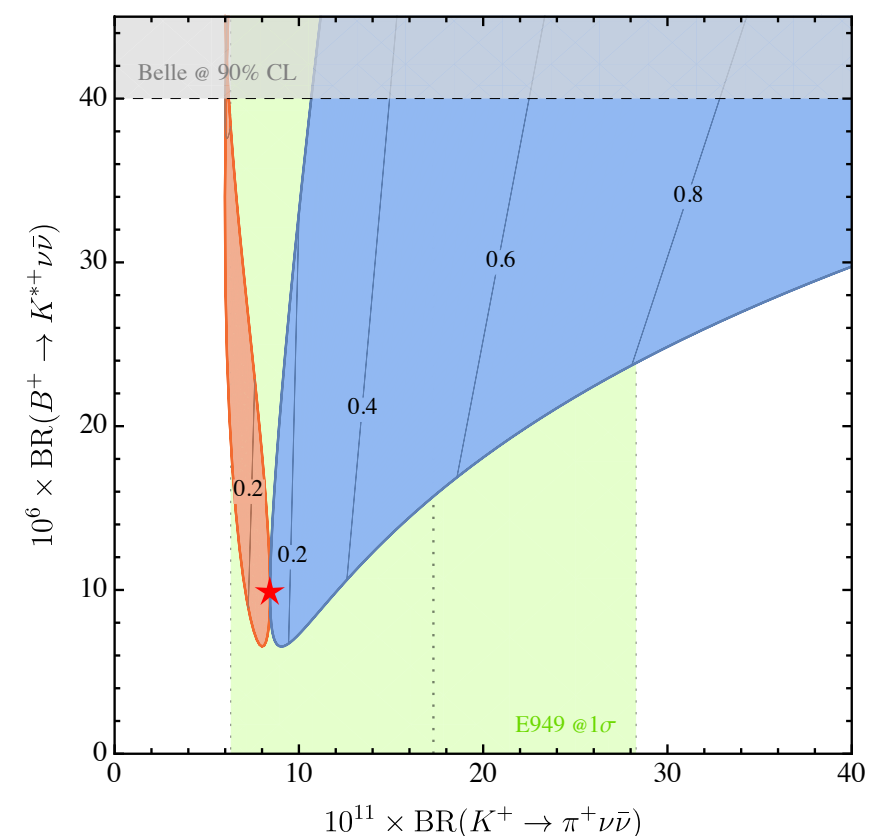
- ◆ The only $s \rightarrow d$ decay with 3rd generation leptons in the final state (ν_τ): sizeable deviations can be expected
- ◆ U(2) symmetry relates $b \rightarrow q$ transitions also to $s \rightarrow d$ but there are model-dependent parameters of order 1 (rotation in sd sector):

$$\lambda_{sd} \sim V_q V_q^* \sim V_{ts}^* V_{td} \quad \lambda_{bq} \sim V_q \sim V_{tq}^*$$

Bordone, B, Isidori, Monnard 2017



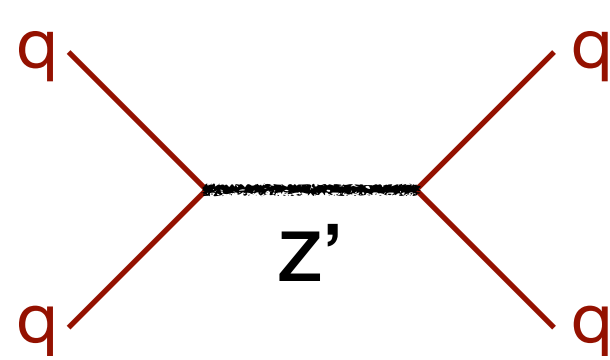
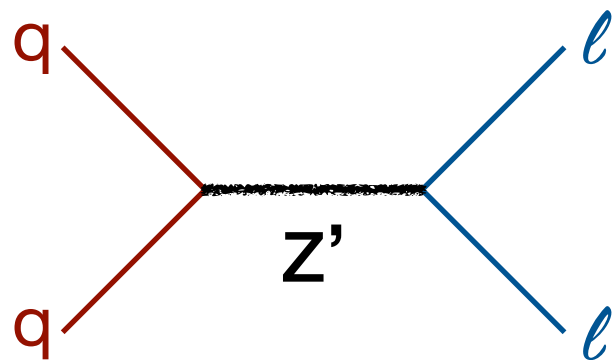
correlation between $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \bar{\nu}$ and $B \rightarrow K \nu \bar{\nu}$



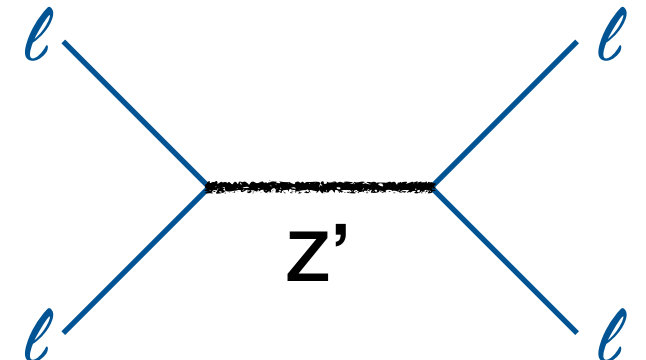
$b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$: mediators

Mediators that can give rise to the LH $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$ and $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ amplitudes:

◆ **Vector resonances W' , Z' :**



meson mixing



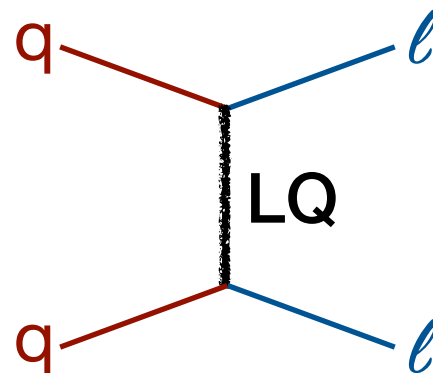
τ decays

+ bounds from LHC Z' searches

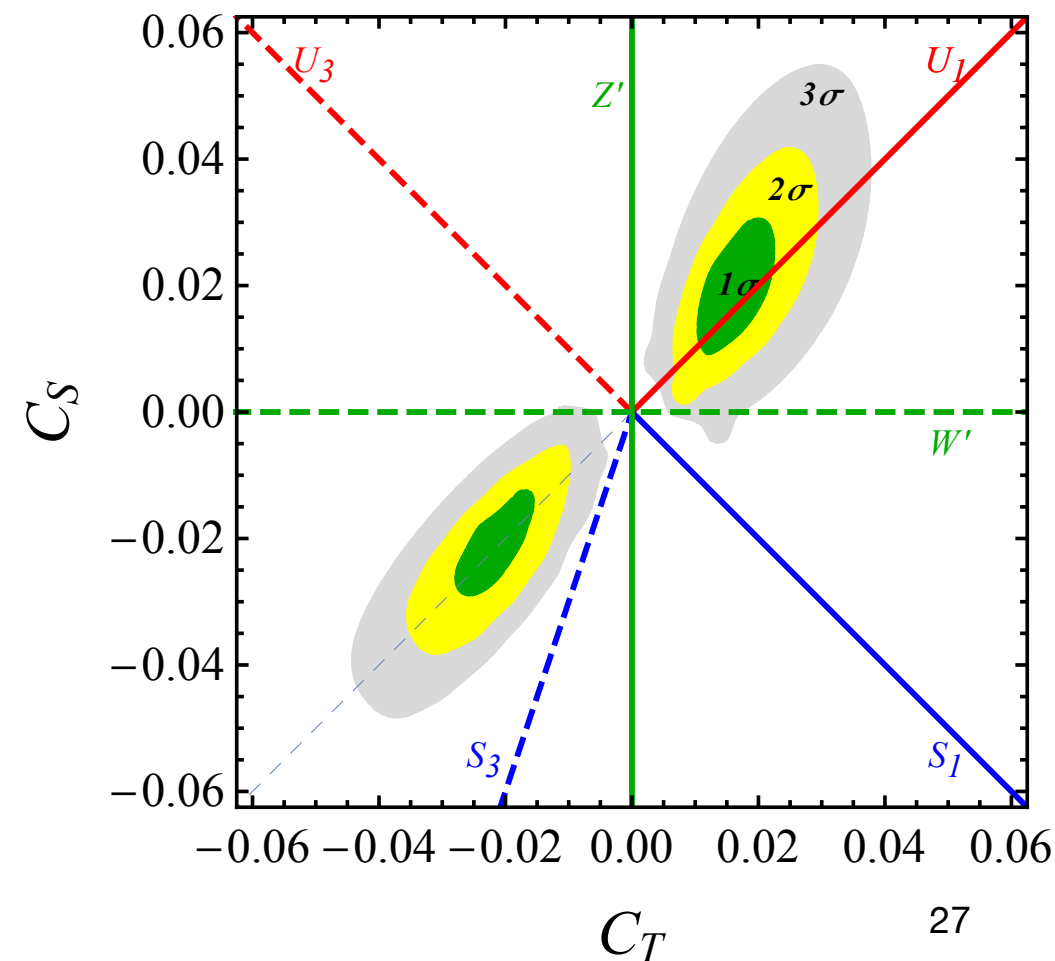


◆ **Leptoquarks:**

can be **scalar** or **vector**



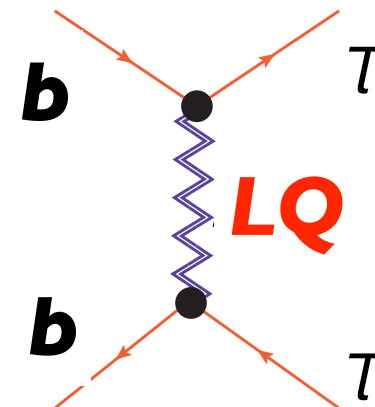
- No B mixing at tree-level ✓
- Weaker bounds from direct searches ✓
- **Vector LQ** fits all anomalies, no $b \rightarrow s\nu\nu$ ✓



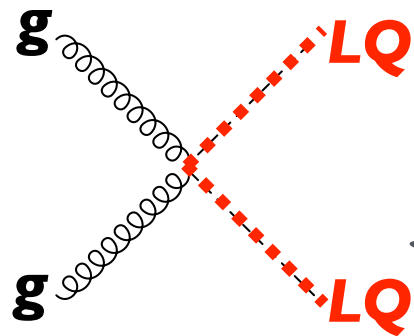
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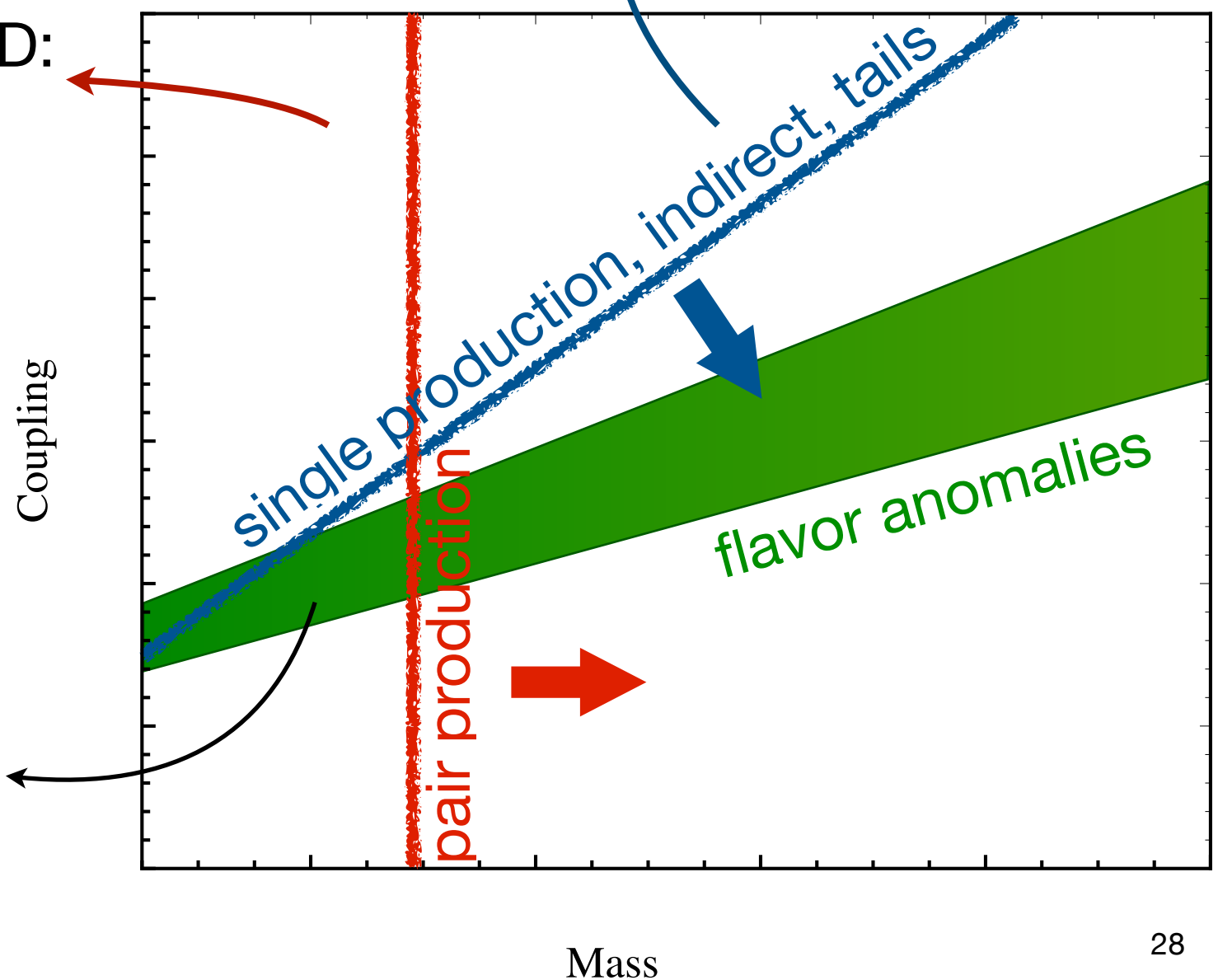
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- Pair-production through QCD: model-independent



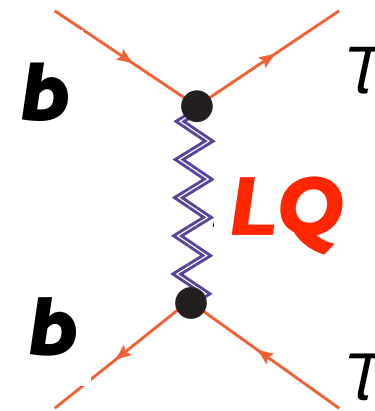
$$\Lambda^{-2} \approx \frac{\text{coupling}^2}{\text{mass}^2}$$



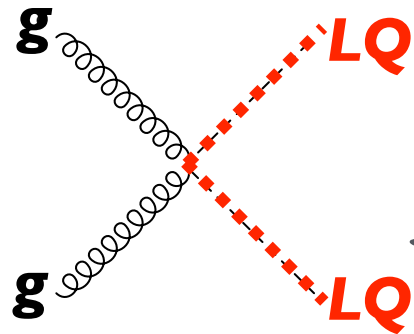
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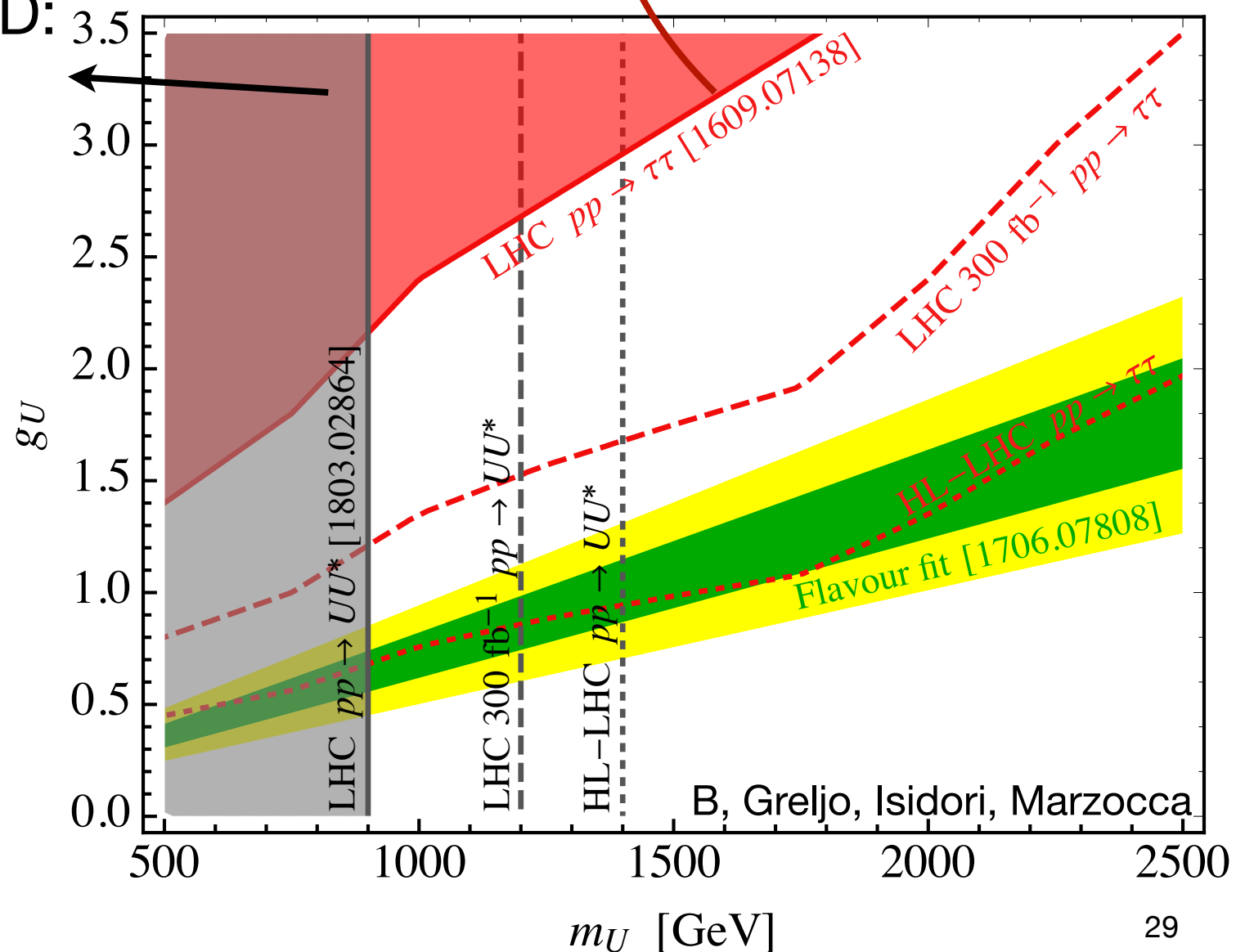
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- Pair-production through QCD: model-independent



Difficult searches at the LHC:
HL-LHC will not probe
the full parameter space!



A composite UV completion: scalar leptoquarks

- ◆ New strong interaction that confines at a scale $\Lambda \sim \text{few TeV}$

$\Psi \quad \bar{\Psi}$ new (vector-like) fermions

$\langle \bar{\Psi}^i \Psi^j \rangle = -f^2 B_0 \delta^{ij}$ breaks a global symmetry \longrightarrow **Goldstones**

- ◆ If the fermions are charged under SM gauge group, then also the pseudo Nambu-Goldstone bosons have SM charges:

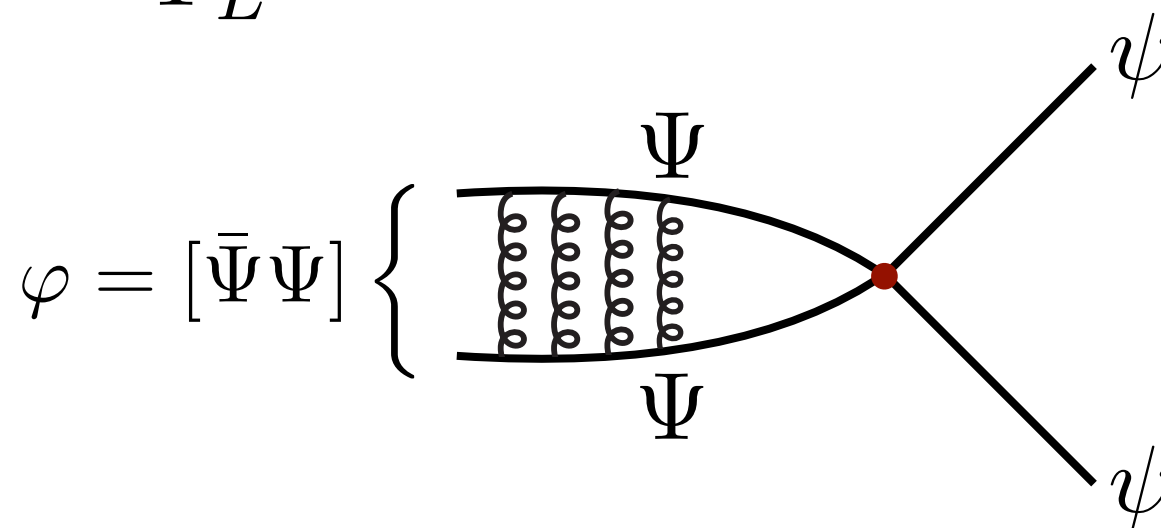
Ψ_Q colored

Ψ_L not colored

$[\bar{\Psi}_Q \Psi_L]$ **scalar Leptoquarks**

$[\bar{\Psi}_L \Psi_L]$ **composite Higgs**

+ other states ...



- ◆ Goldstones naturally light and couple to fermions

B, Greljo, Isidori, Marzocca 2017
 \longrightarrow Marzocca, 2018

- ◆ Heavier vector resonances (with the same quantum numbers)

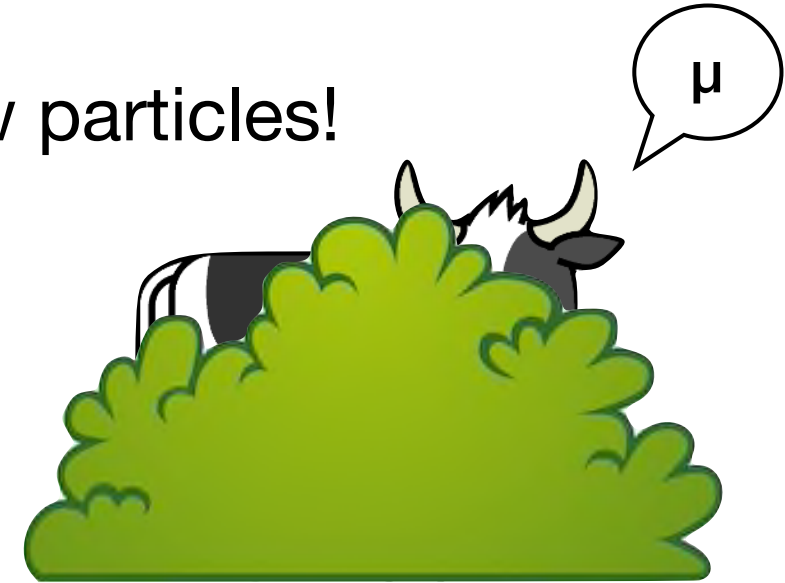


and now for something completely different...

A different example: light New Physics

- ◆ EFT description does not work if there are light new particles!

$$\mathcal{L}_{E<\Lambda} \neq \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \mathcal{L}_{d=5} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{L}_{d=6} + \dots$$



- ◆ Need to be very weakly interacting, otherwise already seen

Dark photon

ALP

Axions

RH Neutrino

Light DM

Dark sectors

- ◆ Example: light pseudo-scalar a (also called ALP) coupled to SM

$$\mathcal{L} = c_f \frac{\partial_\mu a}{\Lambda} (\bar{f} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 f) + c_{\gamma\gamma} \frac{a}{\Lambda} F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

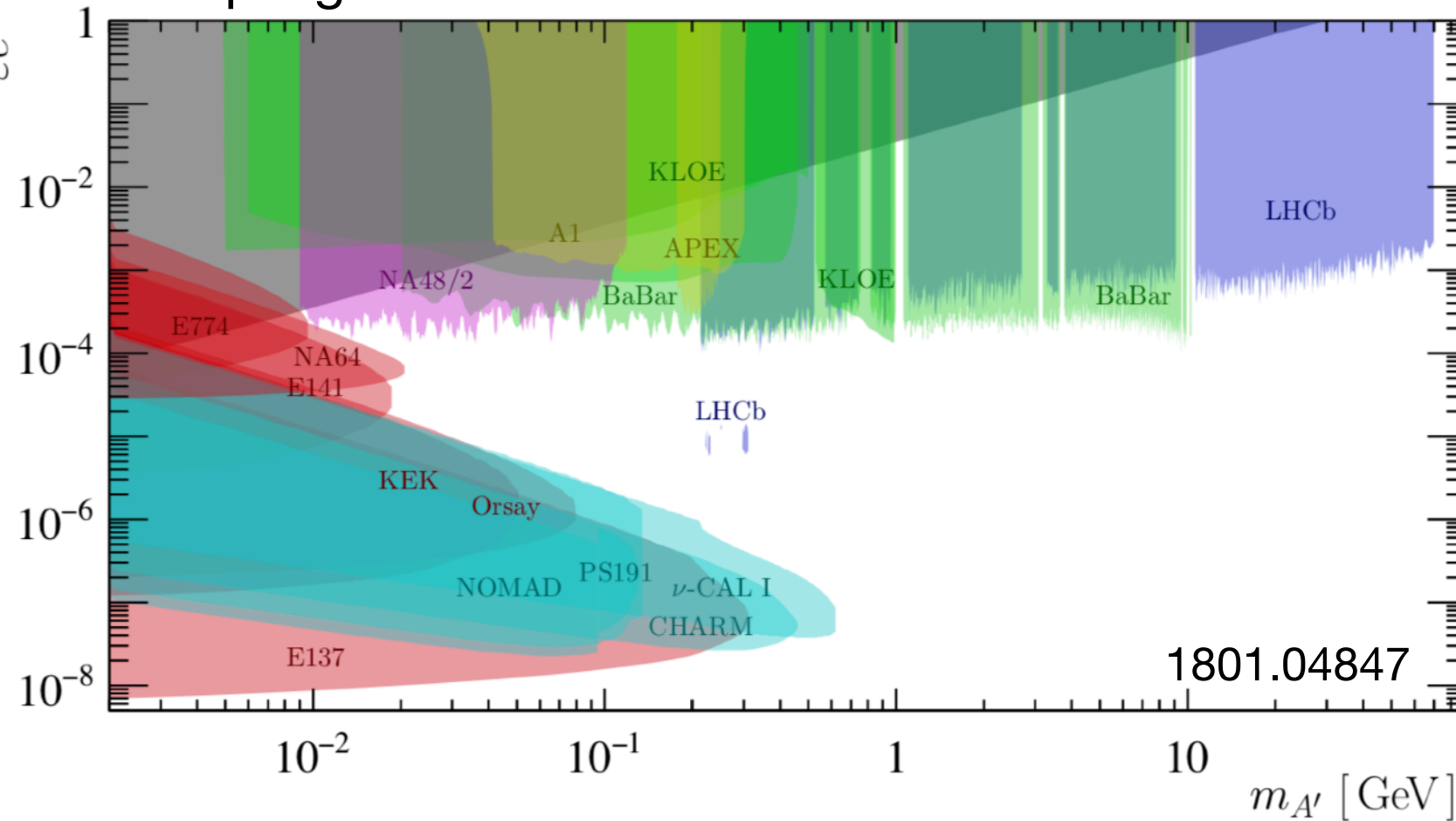
goldstone boson of some broken symmetry

same as a neutral pion!

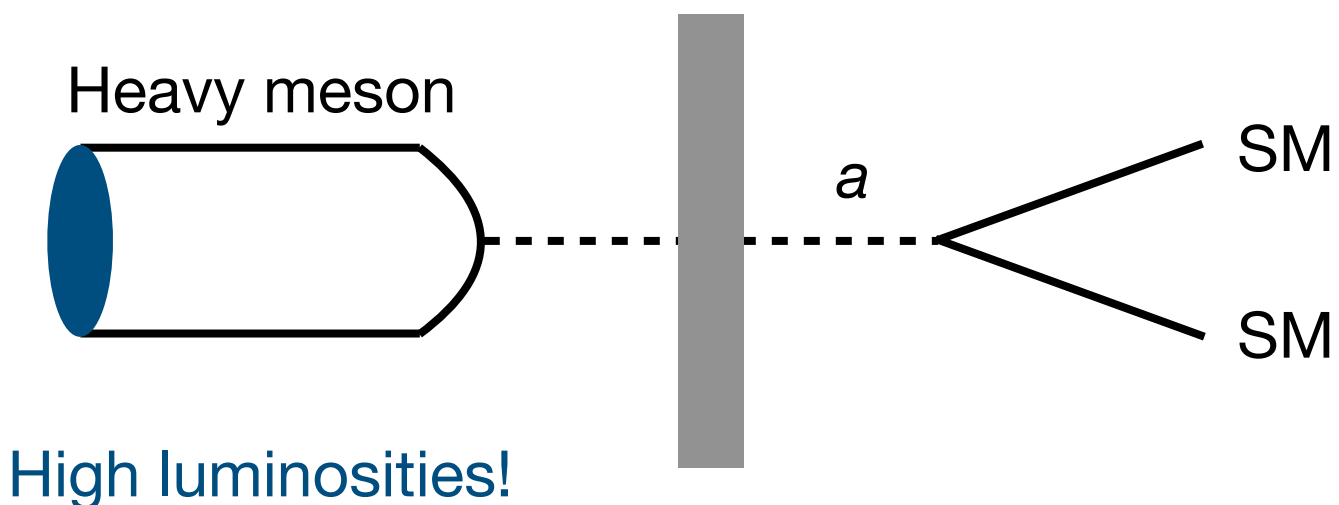
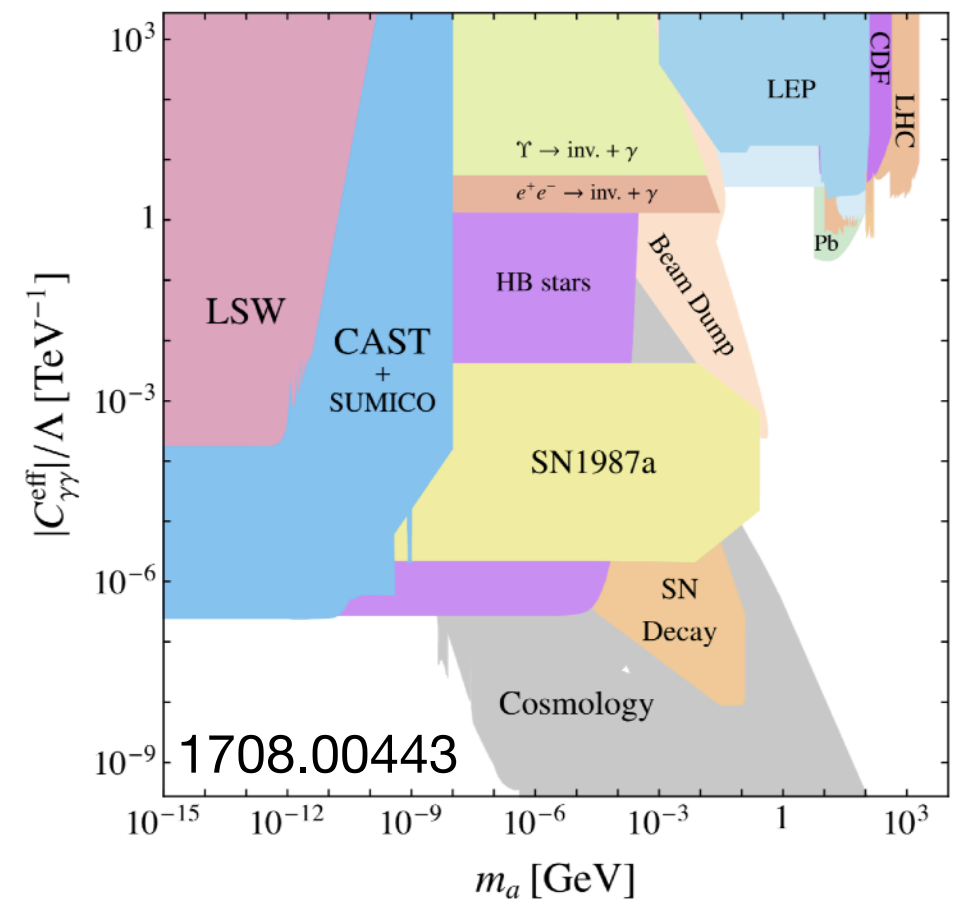
Flavor bounds on invisible particles

- Very strong constraints from various flavor (and other) experiments!

Coupling to fermions



Coupling to photons



NB: these bounds are typically model-dependent

(no EFT description!)

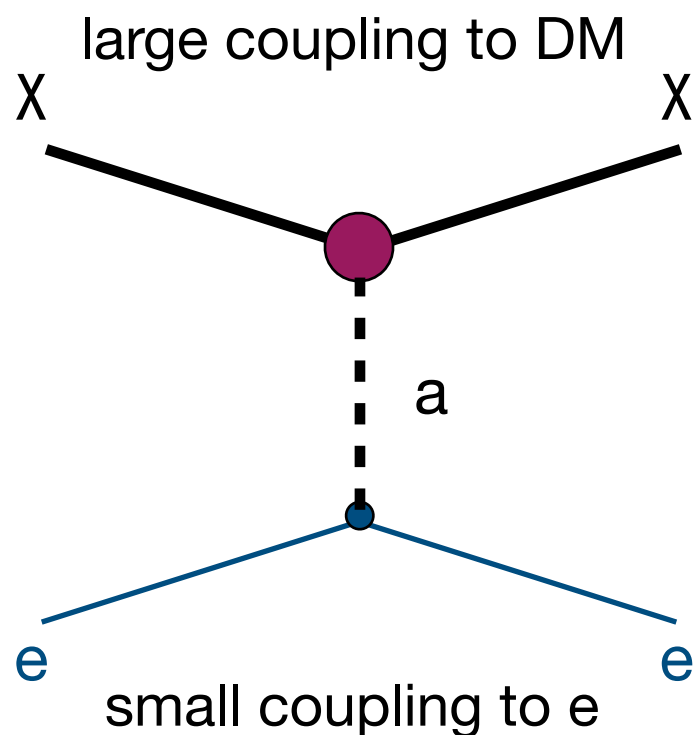
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- ◆ Consider coupling to leptons only
Flavor & collider constraints become weaker (but not absent!)
- ◆ Add a coupling to fermionic DM χ

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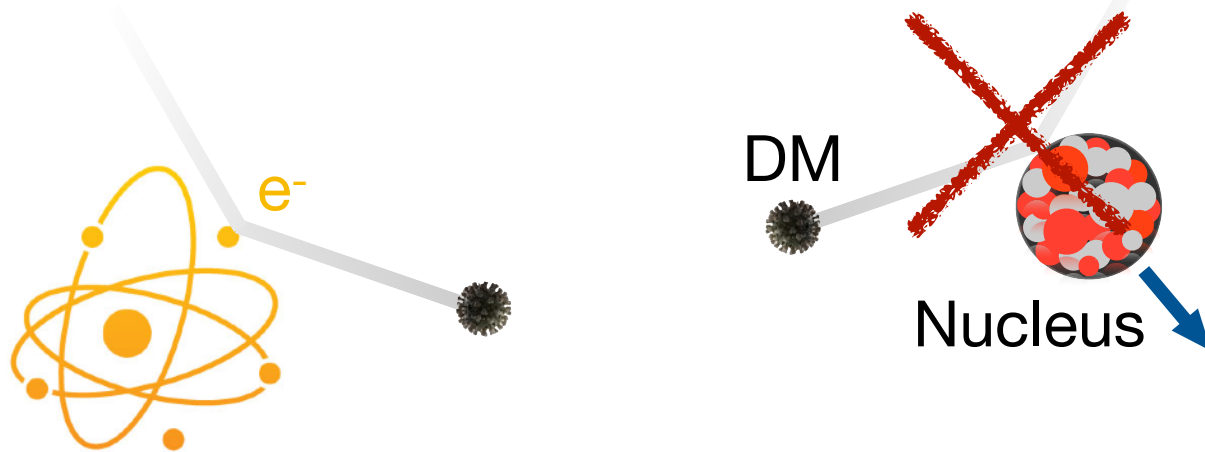
➔ DM that interacts only with electrons through a pseudoscalar mediator!

see also Alves, Weiner 1710.03764



Direct Detection

- ◆ No Direct Detection constraints from nuclear recoil experiments

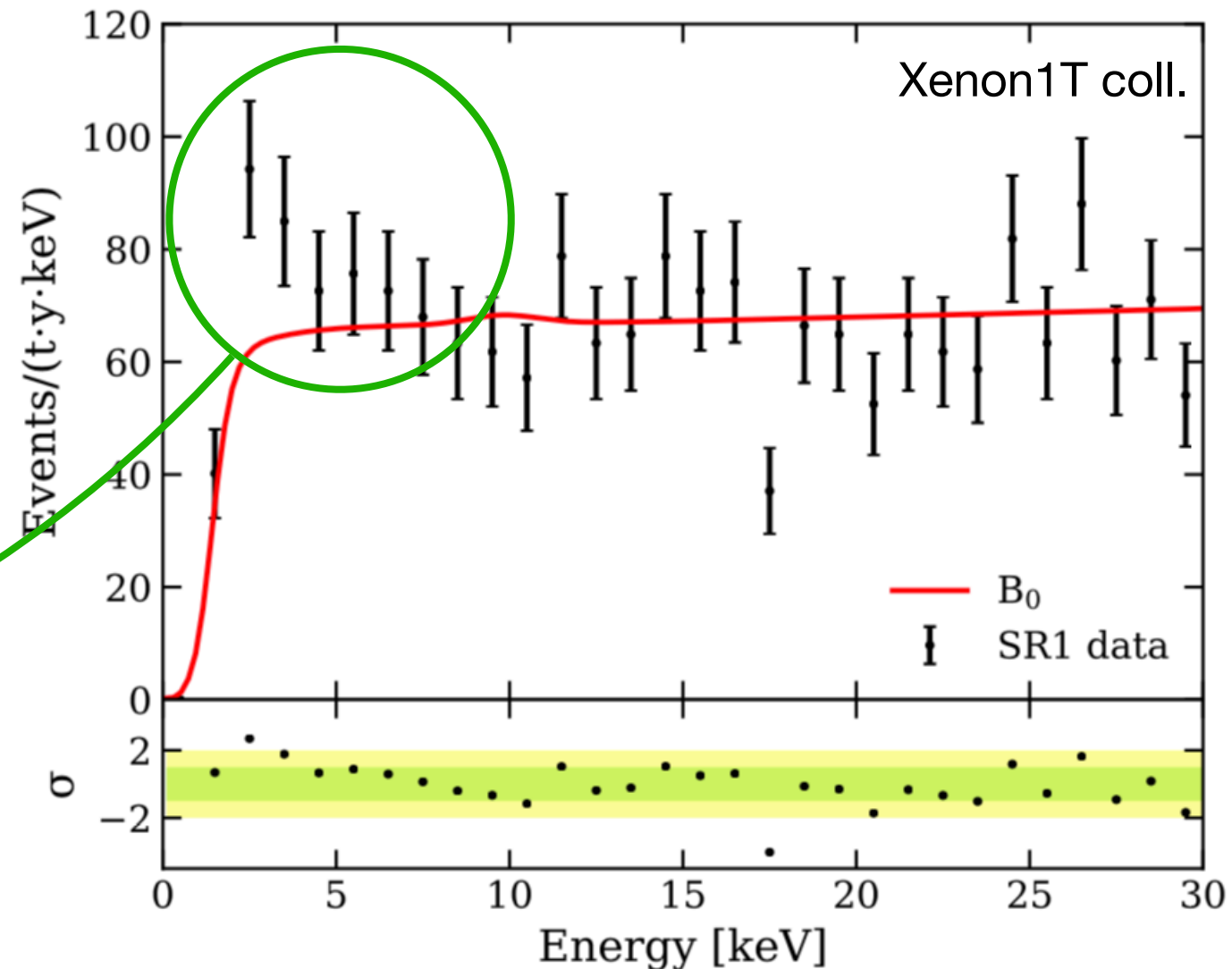
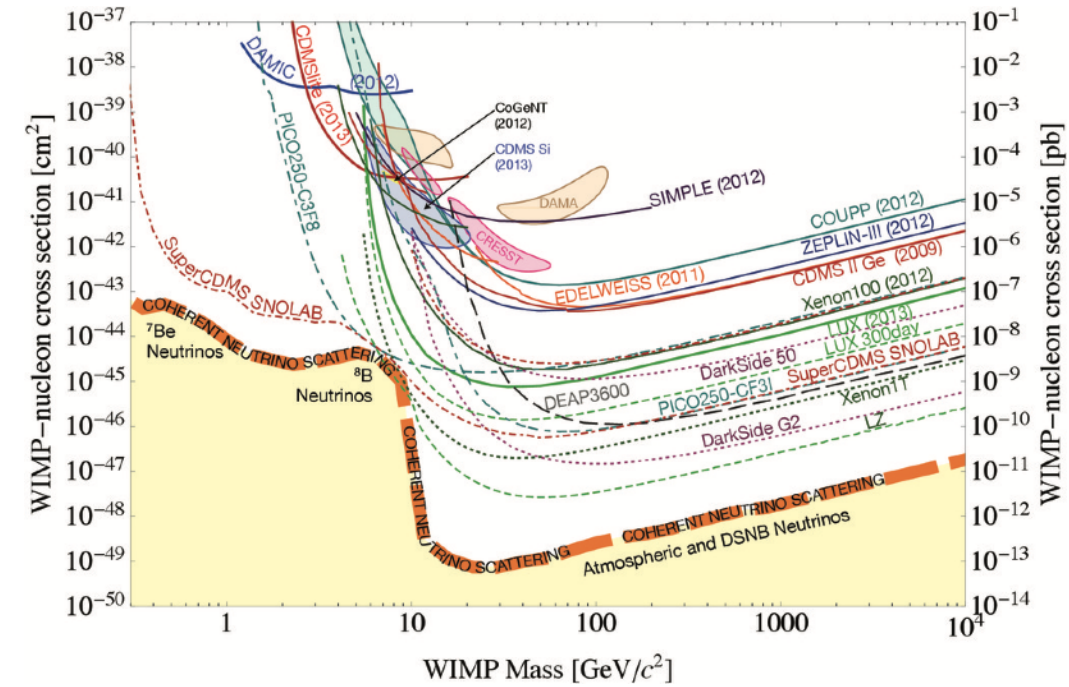


Only electron recoils

- ◆ Xenon1T has observed an excess of electron-recoil events

2006.09721

3.2 σ at ~ 1-5 keV



DM-electron scattering

◆ Typical explanations for the Xenon signal:

- ▶ Non-thermal DM, more energetic (like solar axions)
- ▶ Absorption of light DM with $m_{\text{DM}} \sim \text{keV}$
- ▶ Other rather exotic models

keV recoil energy

See e.g. 2006.09721 (Xenon coll.)

◆ Why not “standard” WIMP scattering off electrons?

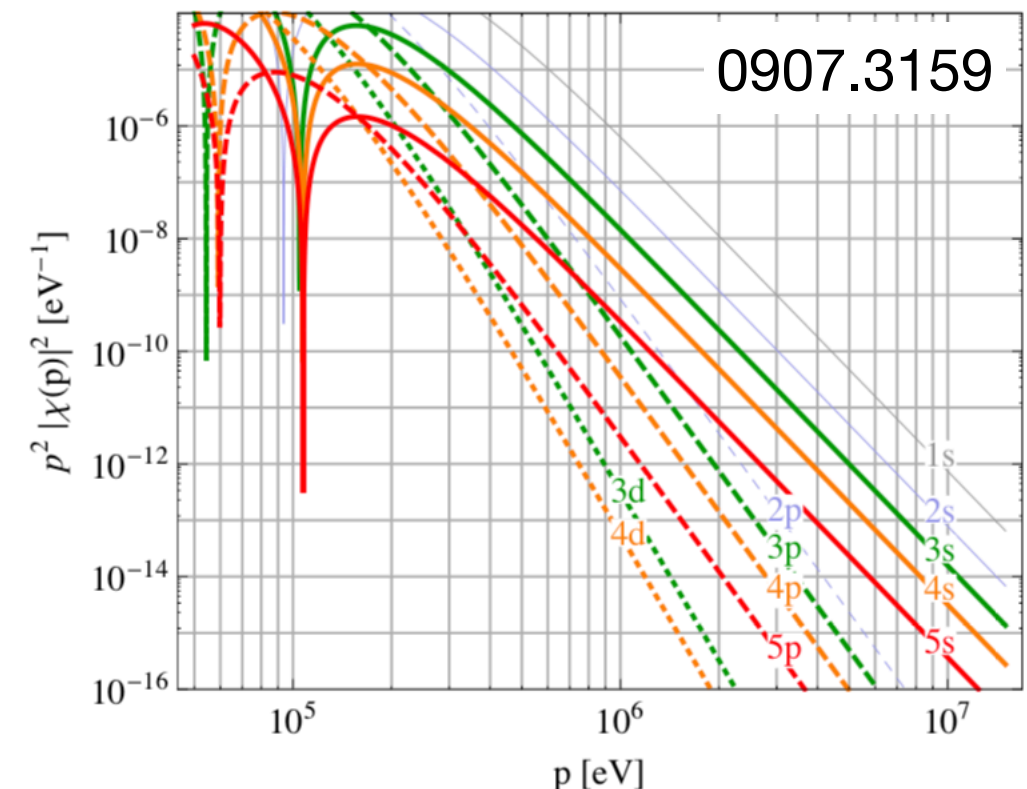
Problem: maximal recoil energy for scattering off slow electrons

$$E_R \sim 2m_e v^2 \sim \text{eV} \quad \text{too small!}$$

for $v \sim 10^{-3}c$ (typical DM velocity in our Galaxy)

But electrons *bound in atoms* can have large momentum $p \sim \text{MeV}$!

$$E_R \sim pv \sim \text{keV}$$



Fit to Xenon1T

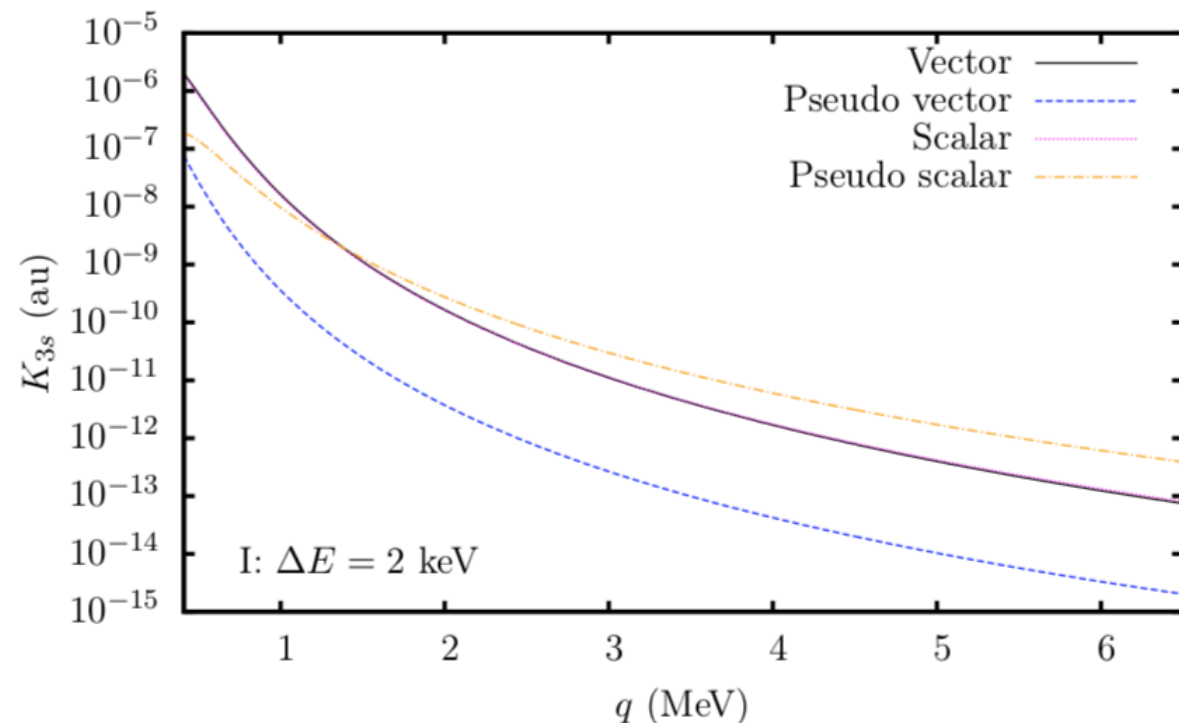
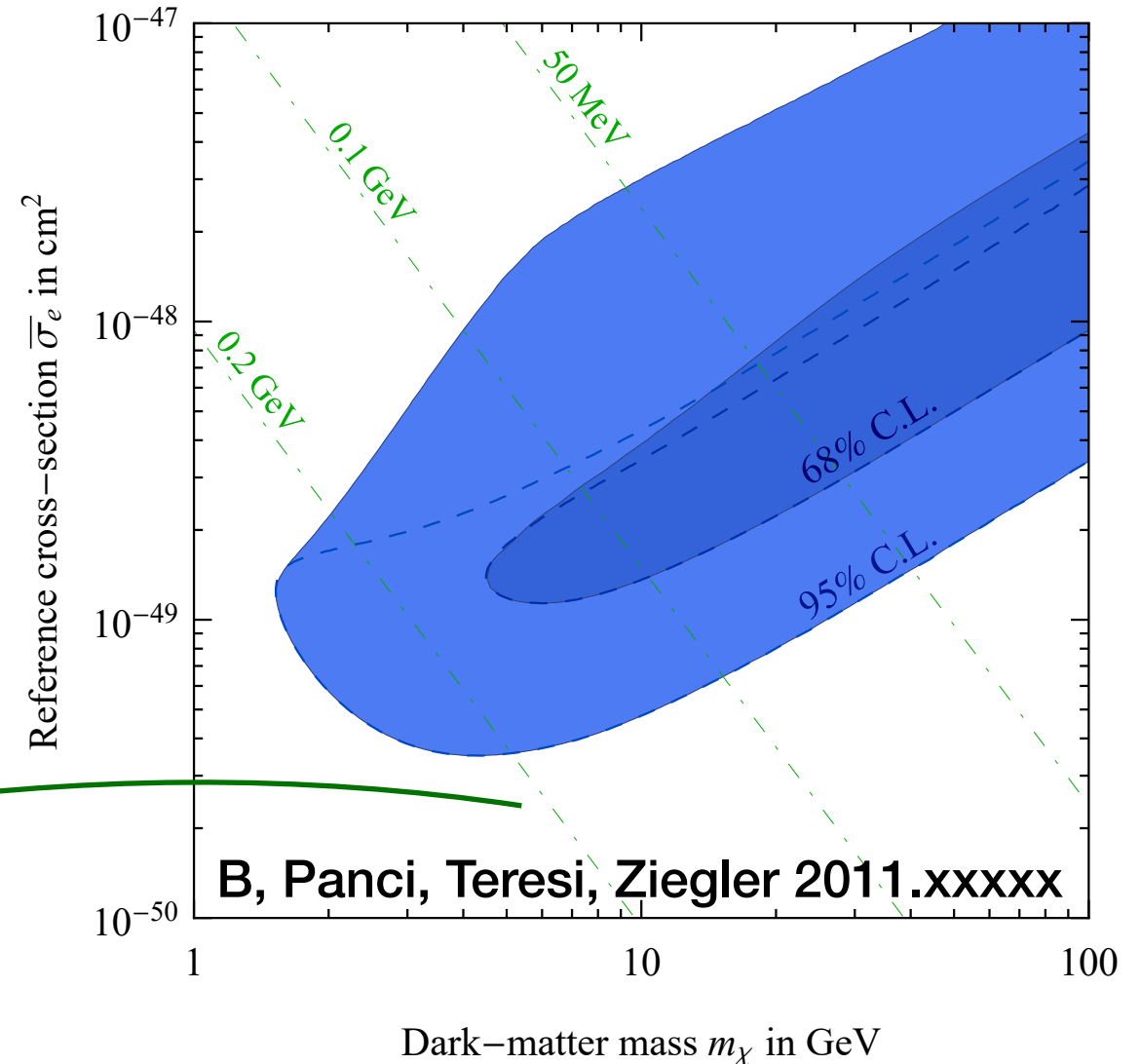
- ◆ Scattering amplitude $\chi e \rightarrow \chi e$

$$\mathcal{A} = (\bar{\chi}\gamma_5\chi) \frac{g_\chi g_e}{q^2 + m_e^2} (\bar{e}\gamma_5 e)$$

couplings $g_{\chi,e} = 2c_{\chi,e}/\Lambda$

- ◆ We include 3s and 4s Xe orbitals

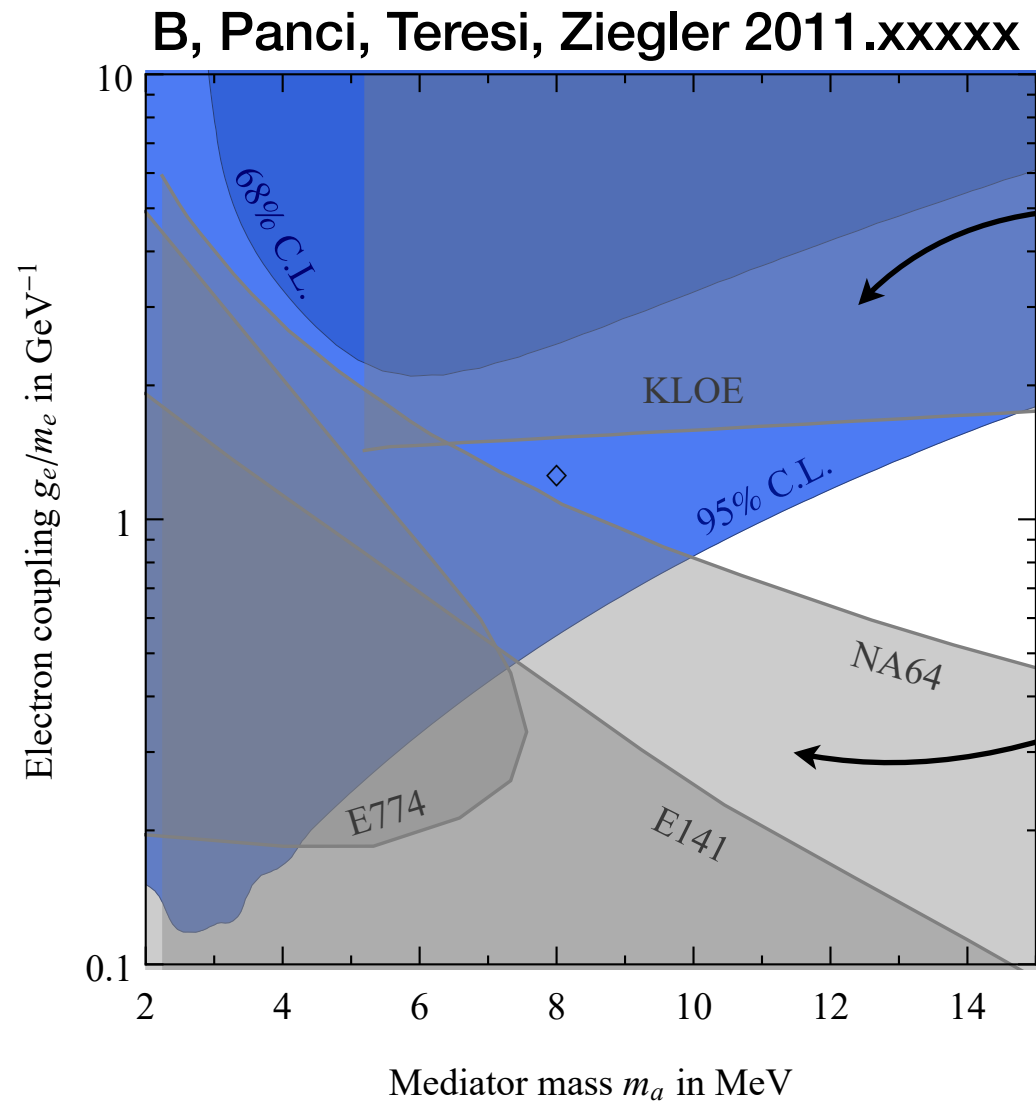
New physics scale low, limit of contact-interaction does not apply



- ◆ Pseudo-scalar ionization function
 $K_{PS}(q) \sim K_S(q) (q/2m_e)^2$
 suppressed in non-relativistic limit
 ➔ low-energy S2-only events don't impose constraint

Bounds on the mediator

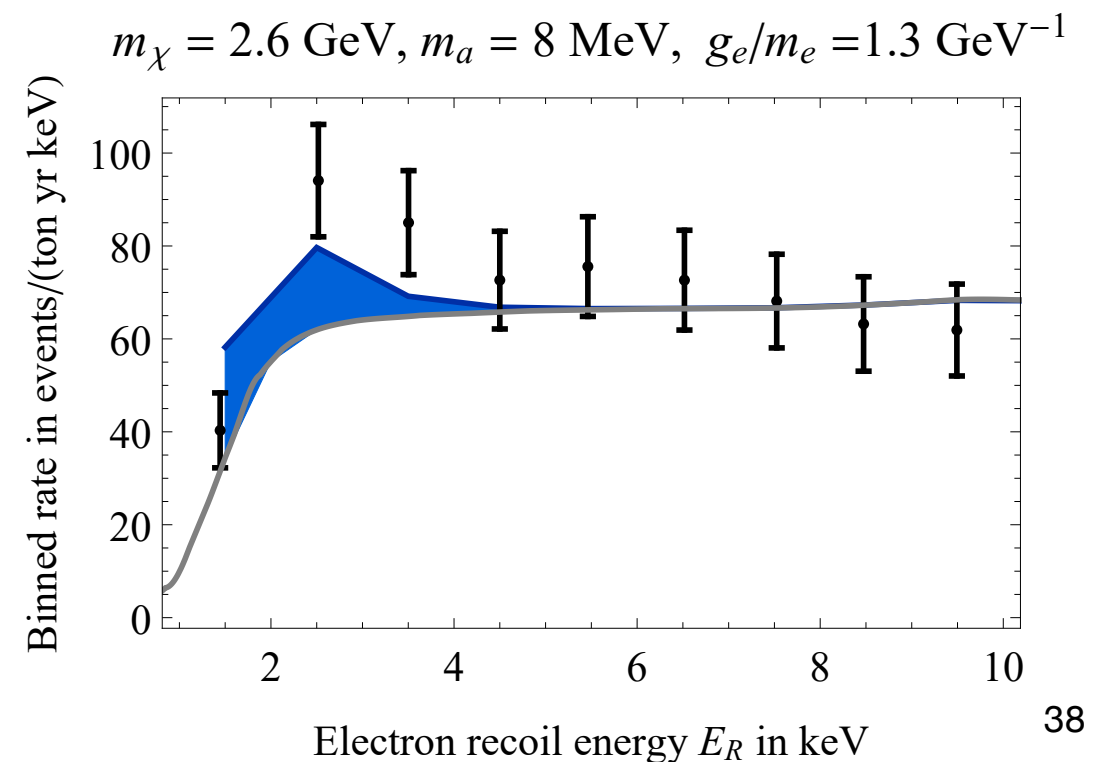
- ◆ Light pseudo-scalar coupled to electrons: flavor / collider / beam dump!



$e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma a \rightarrow \gamma e^+e^-$
at J/ ψ resonance

$a \rightarrow \gamma e^+e^-$
from electron beam dumps

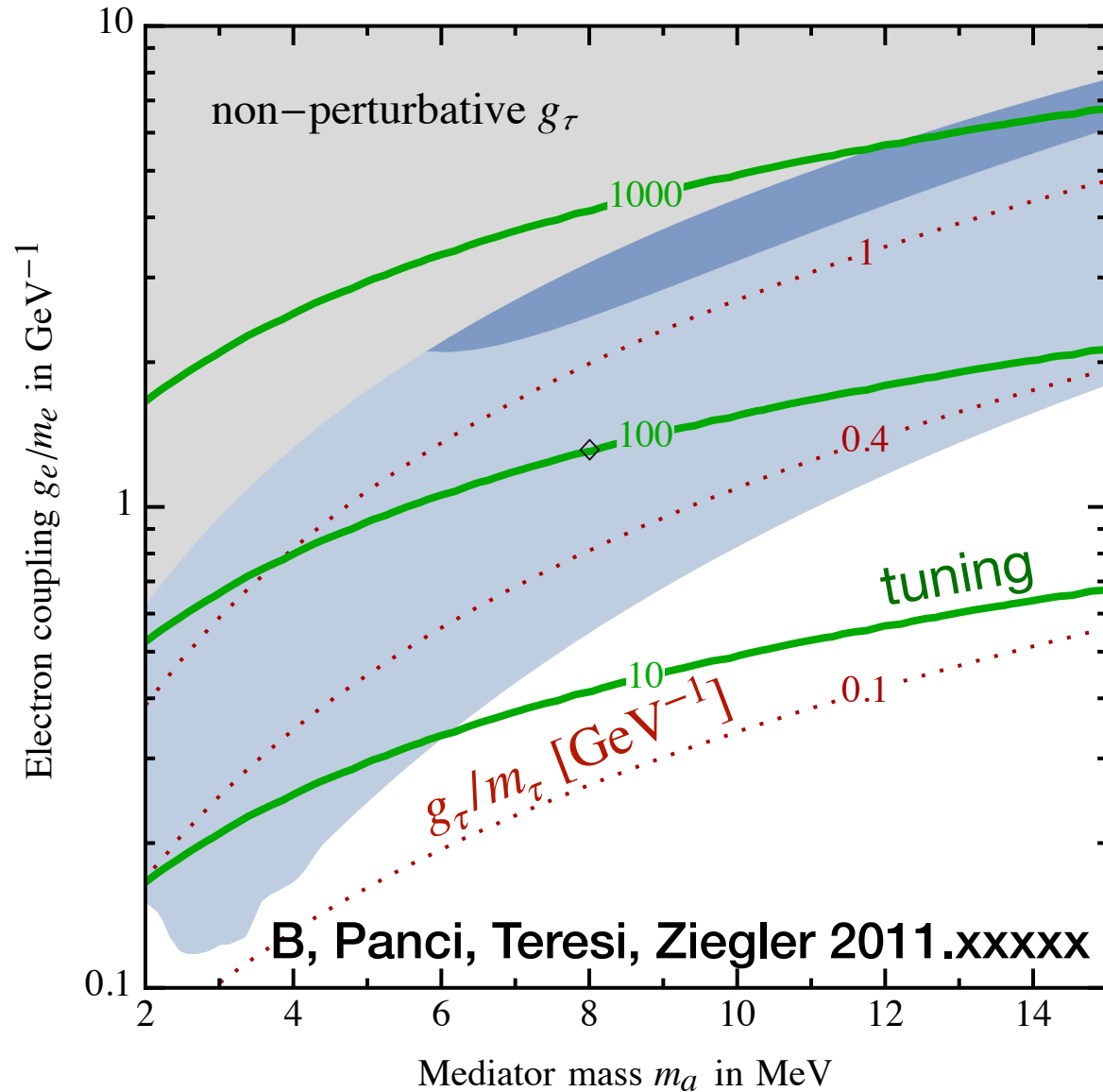
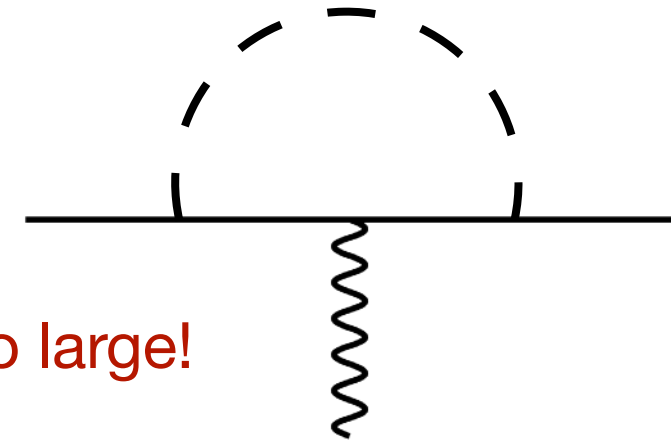
- ◆ BR($a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$) very small
- ◆ Portions of parameter space allowed, that give good fit to the signal!



Electron g-2

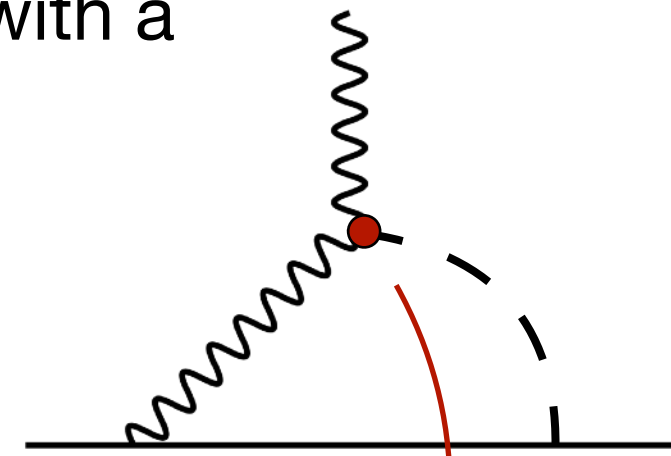
- Light pseudo-scalar gives contribution to lepton g-2

$$\Delta a_e^{1\text{loop}} = -\frac{m_e^2}{4\pi^2 \Lambda^2} |c_e|^2 f(m_a^2/m_e^2) \approx 10^{-10} \quad \text{100 x too large!}$$

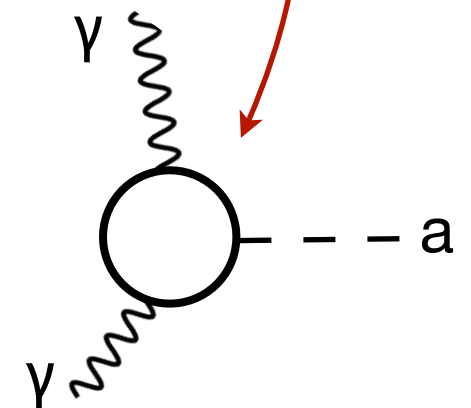


- Can be canceled with a non-zero coupling to photons

(at the price of tuning)



- This can be achieved coupling a to just SM leptons, including μ and τ !



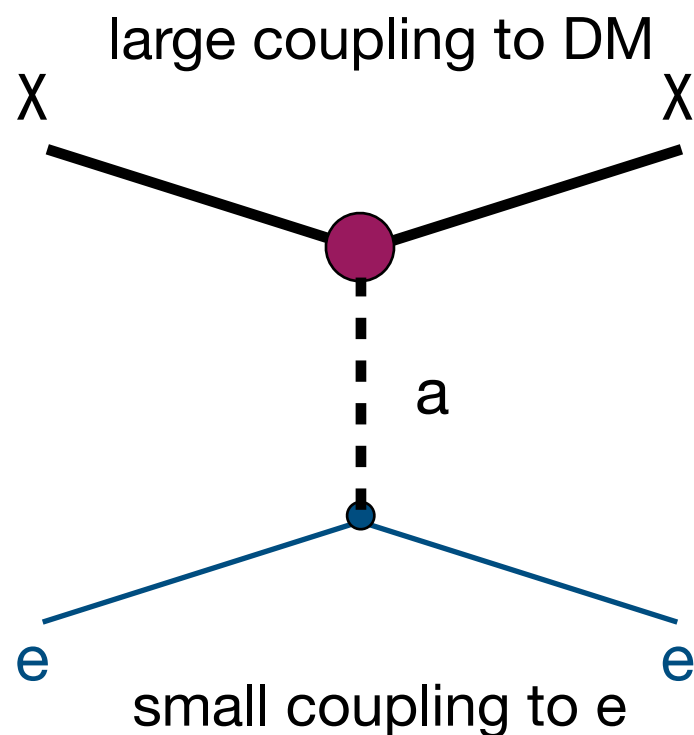
- Bonus: muon g-2 can also be explained

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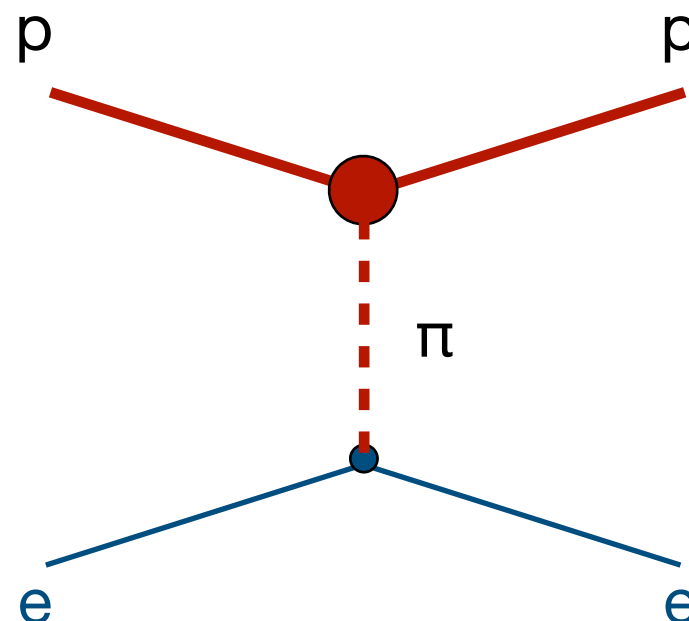
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a composite dark sector?

low scale: building a full model might be difficult!

or an axion, or ...



Flavor physics is a crucial ingredient of high-energy physics

Test high scales beyond direct reach

Even with largest flavor symmetries, competes with FCC reach (but in near future!)

New directions in model building

Leptoquarks, non-minimal composite sectors, ...

Even without a discovery we learn a lot (but a discovery is better!!)

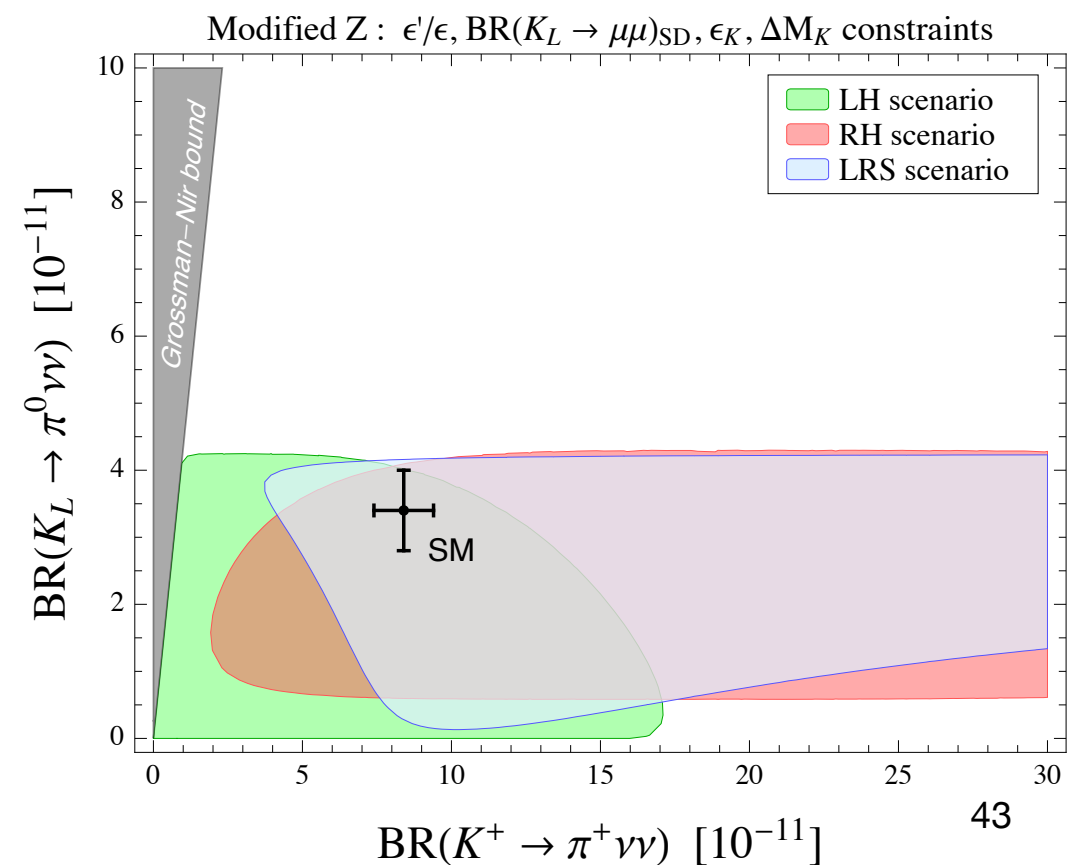
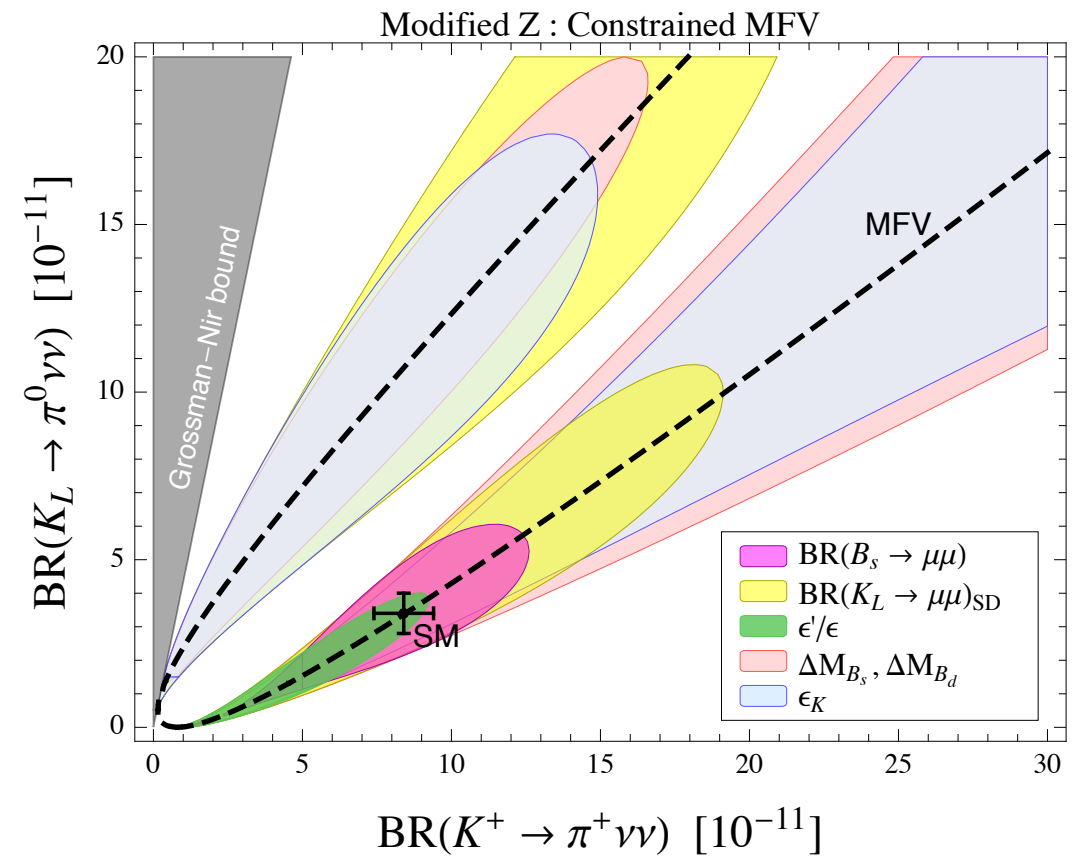
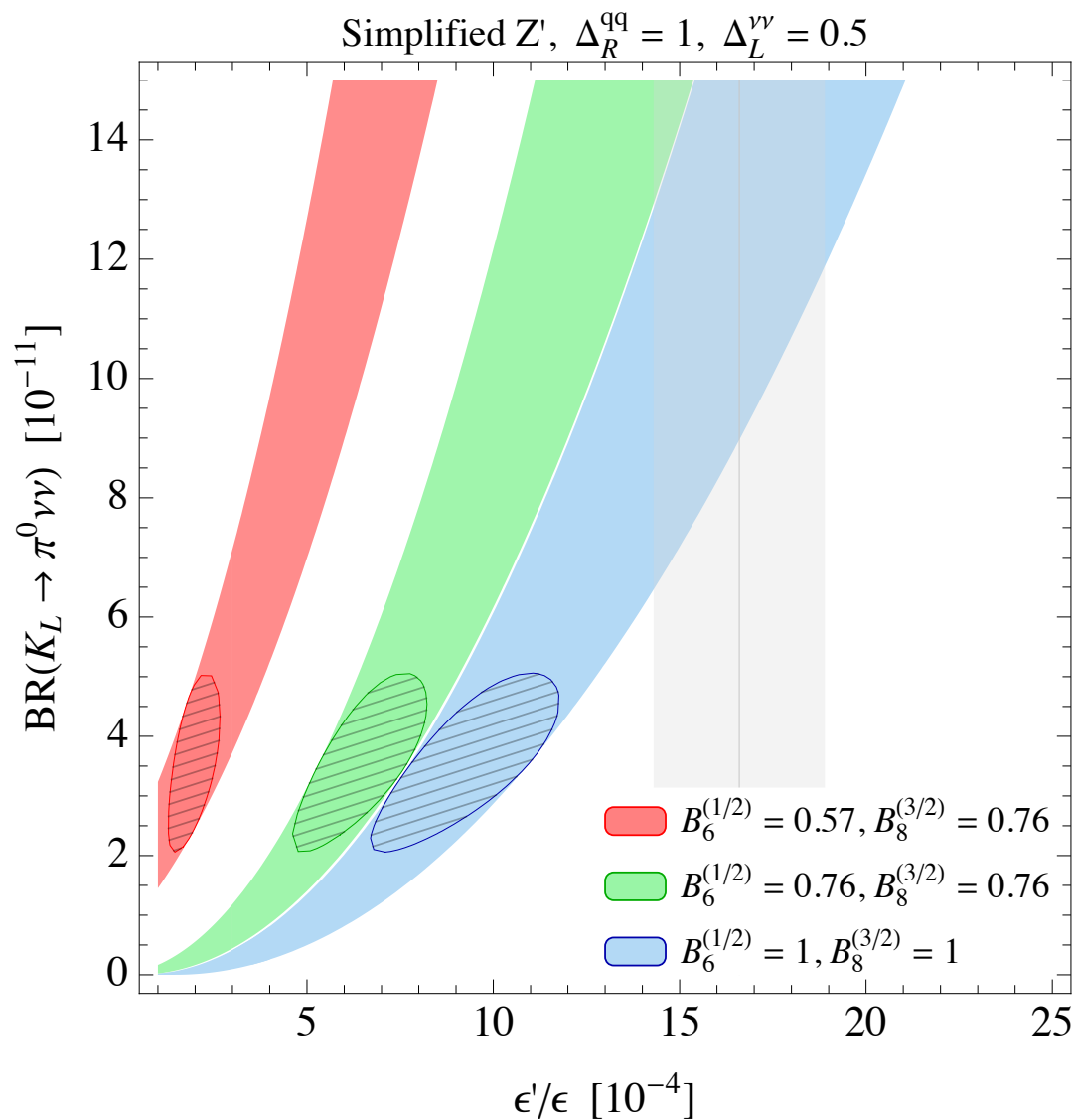


Backup

Rare decays: the importance of correlations

Many observables, many models

Correlations between different observables are crucial to distinguish them!



Effective Field Theory for semi-leptonic interactions

1. **Left-handed** semi-leptonic interactions: two possible operators in SM-EFT

$$C_S (\bar{q}_L^i \gamma_\mu q_L^j) (\bar{\ell}_L^\alpha \gamma^\mu \ell_L^\beta)$$

– SU(2) singlet –

$$C_T (\bar{q}_L^i \gamma_\mu \sigma^a q_L^j) (\bar{\ell}_L^\alpha \gamma^\mu \sigma^a \ell_L^\beta)$$

– SU(2) triplet –

2. **CKM-like flavour pattern:** U(2) symmetry for both quarks & leptons

$$Y_u \approx \begin{pmatrix} \text{small} & \begin{matrix} \cdot \\ \cdot \end{matrix} \\ \cdot & \bullet \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_q \approx \begin{pmatrix} \text{small} & \begin{matrix} \cdot \\ \cdot \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \cdot \\ \cdot \end{matrix} & \bullet \end{pmatrix} \quad \psi_i = (\overset{2}{\psi_1} \ \overset{1}{\psi_2} \ \psi_3)$$

breaking of U(2)_q symmetry

i.e. coupling to third generation only: $Q_L^{(3)} \sim \begin{pmatrix} V_{ib}^* u_L^i \\ b_L \end{pmatrix} + \text{small terms } (\sim V_{\text{CKM}})$

$$\lambda_{ij}^q \approx \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & V_{ts} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & V_{ts}^* & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_{\alpha\beta}^\ell \approx \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & |V_{\tau\mu}|^2 & V_{\tau\mu} \\ \cdot & V_{\tau\mu}^* & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

4 parameters relevant for the anomalies

Effective Field Theory

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} - \frac{1}{v^2} \lambda_{ij}^q \lambda_{\alpha\beta}^\ell \left[C_T (\bar{q}_L^i \gamma_\mu \sigma^a q_L^j) (\bar{\ell}_L^\alpha \gamma^\mu \sigma^a \ell_L^\beta) + C_S (\bar{q}_L^i \gamma_\mu q_L^j) (\bar{\ell}_L^\alpha \gamma^\mu \ell_L^\beta) \right]$$

LFU ratios in $b \rightarrow c$ charged currents:

$$\tau \text{ vs } l: \quad R_{D^{(*)}}^{\tau\ell} \simeq 1 + 2C_T \left(1 + \frac{\lambda_{bs}^q}{V_{cb}} \right) = 1.237 \pm 0.053$$

$$\mu \text{ vs } e: \quad R_{D^{(*)}}^{\mu e} \simeq 1 + 2C_T \left(1 + \frac{\lambda_{bs}^q}{V_{cb}} \right) \lambda_{\mu\mu} < 0.02 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \lambda_{\mu\mu} \lesssim 0.1$$

Neutral currents: $b \rightarrow s\nu_\tau\nu_\tau$ transitions not suppressed by lepton spurion

$$\Delta C_\nu \simeq \frac{\pi}{\alpha V_{ts}^* V_{tb}} \lambda_{sb}^q (C_S - C_T) \quad \text{strong bounds from } B \rightarrow K^* \nu\nu$$

$$\longrightarrow C_T \sim C_S$$

$b \rightarrow s\tau\tau \sim C_T + C_S$ is large (100 x SM), weak experimental constraints

$b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ is an independent quantity:

fixes the size of $\lambda_{\mu\mu} \sim 10^{-2}$

$$\Delta C_{9,\mu} = -\frac{\pi}{\alpha V_{ts}^* V_{tb}} \lambda_{sb}^q \lambda_{\mu\mu} (C_T + C_S)$$

Radiative corrections

Purely leptonic operators generated at the EW scale by RG evolution

Feruglio et al. 2015

- **LFU in τ decays** $\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$ vs. $\tau \rightarrow e\nu\nu$ (effectively modification of W couplings)

$$\delta g_{\tau}^W = -0.084 C_T = (9.7 \pm 9.8) \times 10^{-4}$$

- **Z $\tau\tau$ couplings**

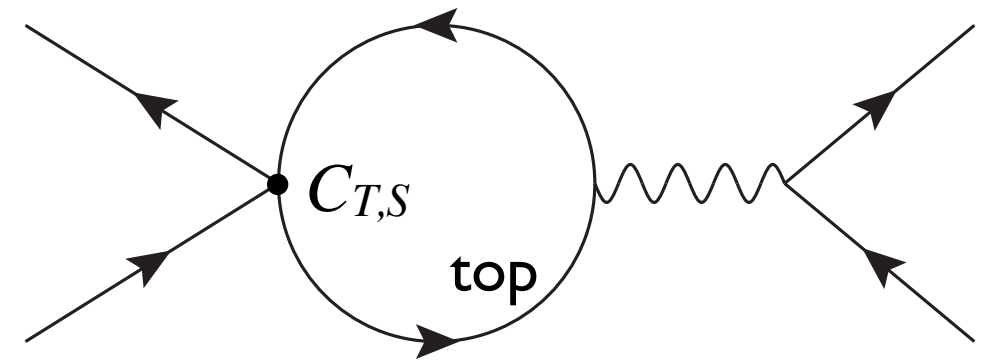
$$\delta g_{\tau_L}^Z = -0.047 C_S + 0.038 C_T = -0.0002 \pm 0.0006$$

- **Z $\nu\nu$ couplings** (number of neutrinos)

$$N_{\nu} = 3 - 0.19 C_S - 0.15 C_T = 2.9840 \pm 0.0082$$

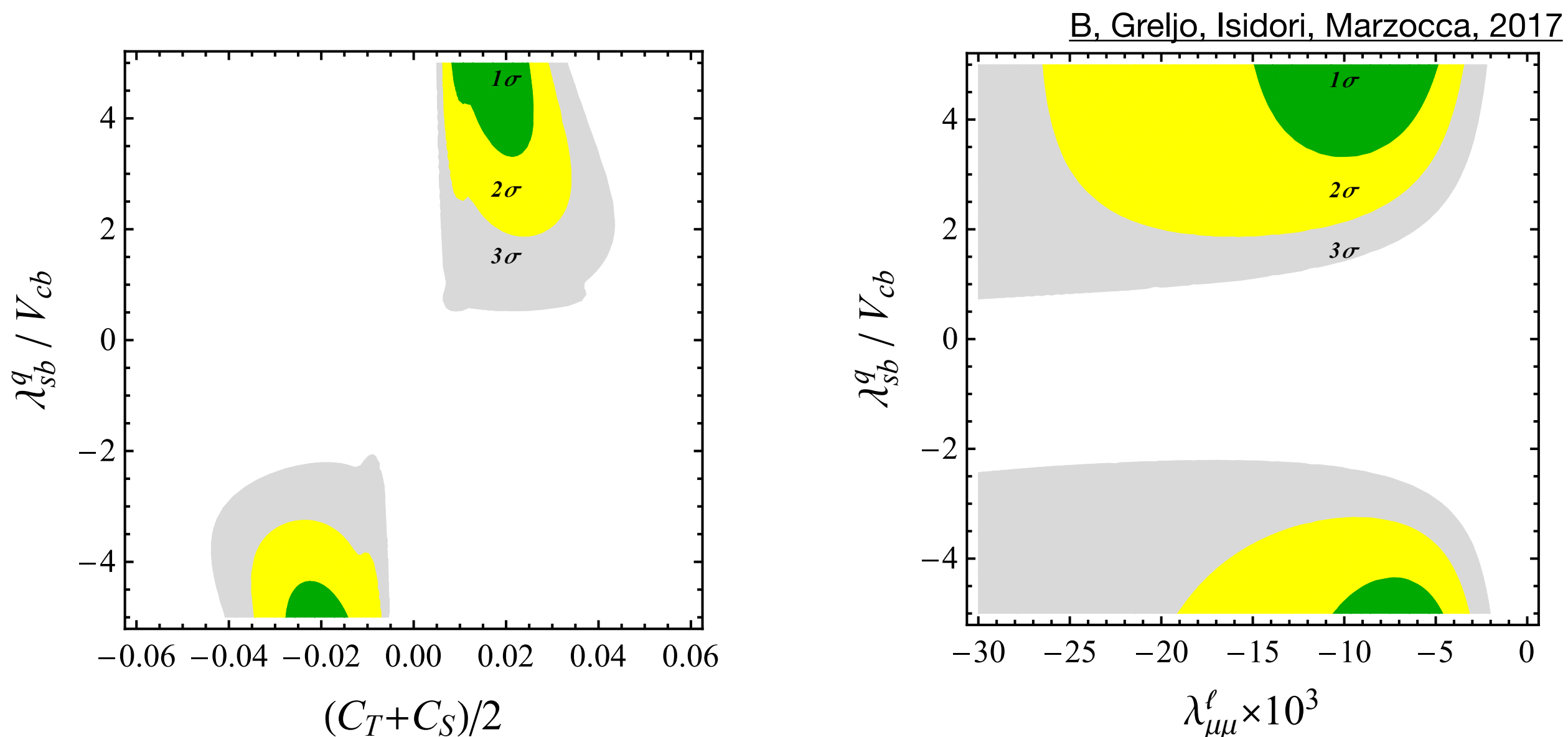
(RG-running corrections to four-quark operators suppressed by the τ mass)

→ strong bounds on the scale of NP ($C_{S,T} \approx 0.02-0.03$)



Fit to semi-leptonic observables

- ◆ EFT fit to all semi-leptonic observables + radiative corrections to EWPT
- ◆ Don't include any UV contribution to other operators (they will depend on the dynamics of the specific model)



Good fit to all anomalies, with couplings compatible with the $U(2)$ assumption⁴⁷

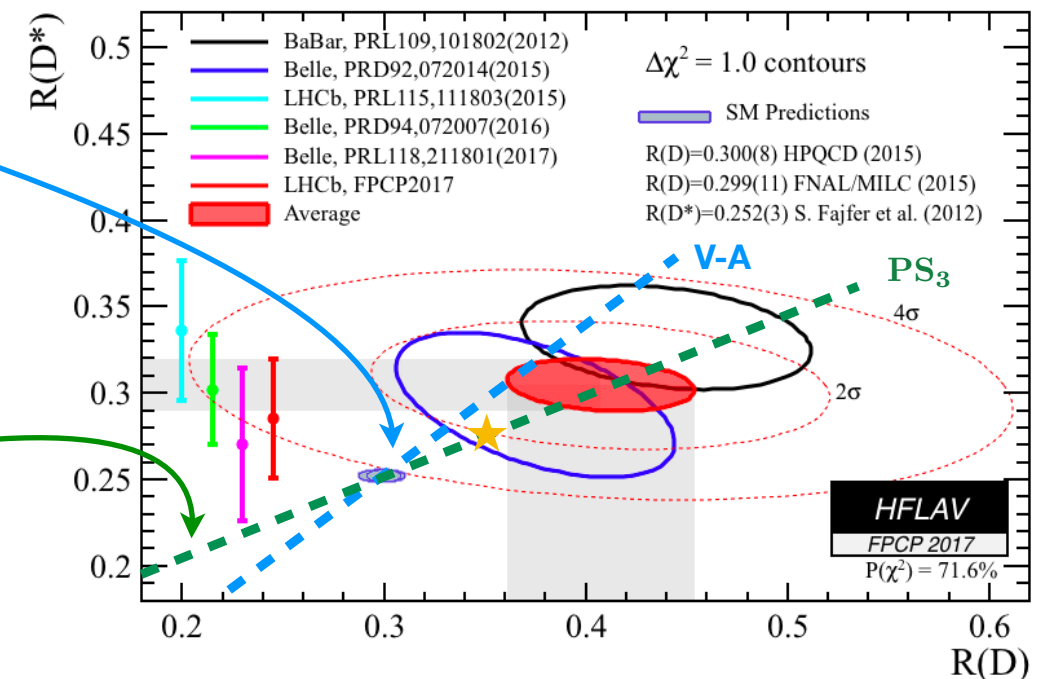
Testing chirality and flavour structure: charged currents

- ◆ **LH charged currents:** universality of all $b \rightarrow c$ transitions:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BR}(B \rightarrow D_{TV})/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} &= \text{BR}(B \rightarrow D^*_{TV})/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} = \text{BR}(B_c \rightarrow \psi_{TV})/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} \\ &= \text{BR}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda_c TV)/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} = \dots \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ the presence of RH/scalar currents breaks the correlation

example: [Bordone et al. 1712.01368](#)



- ◆ **U(2) symmetry:** $b \rightarrow c$ vs. $b \rightarrow u$ universality

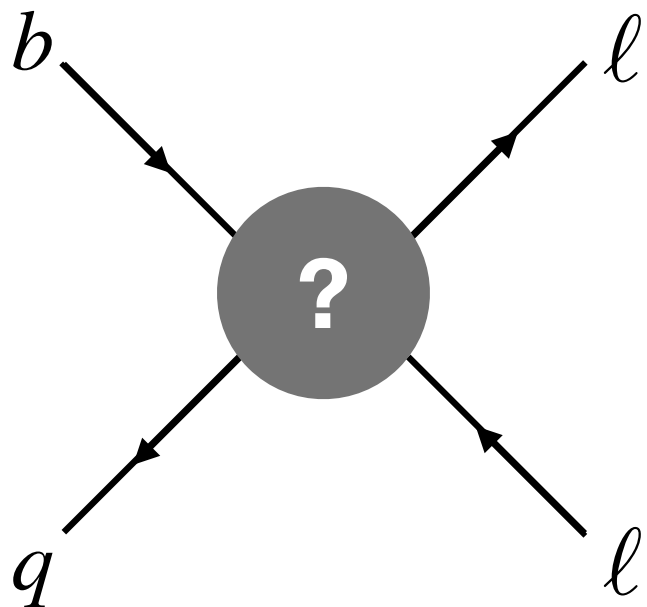
$$\begin{aligned} \text{BR}(B \rightarrow D^{(*)}TV)/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} &= \text{BR}(B \rightarrow \pi\pi TV)/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} = \text{BR}(B^+ \rightarrow \tau V)/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} \\ &= \text{BR}(B_s \rightarrow K^*TV)/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} = \text{BR}(\Lambda_b \rightarrow \rho TV)/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} = \dots \end{aligned}$$

- ✓ $\text{BR}(B_u \rightarrow \tau V)_{\text{exp}}/\text{BR}_{\text{SM}} = 1.31 \pm 0.27$
(UTfit 2016)

$$\lambda_{ij}^q \approx \begin{pmatrix} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ V_{td}^* & V_{ts}^* & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{small} \\ \text{CKM matrix} \end{matrix}$$

Scale of new physics

Perturbative unitarity of $2 \rightarrow 2$ scattering amplitudes sets upper limit on the scale where the theory breaks down (i.e. mass of new resonances)



$$\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{b}_L \gamma_\mu q_L) (\bar{\ell}_L \gamma^\mu \ell_L)$$

[Di Luzio, Nardecchia 2017]

$$|\text{Re}(a_{ii}^0)^{\text{Born}}| \leq \frac{1}{2} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \Lambda < 9 \text{ TeV}$$

($\Lambda < 84 \text{ TeV}$ for $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ alone)

Assumption on flavour structure: CKM-like flavour pattern for quarks & leptons

$$Y_u \approx \begin{pmatrix} \text{small} & \begin{matrix} \bullet \\ \bullet \end{matrix} \\ \text{---} & \bullet \end{pmatrix} \quad \lambda_{q\ell} \approx \begin{pmatrix} \text{small} & \begin{matrix} \bullet \\ \bullet \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \bullet \\ \bullet \end{matrix} & \bullet \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\longrightarrow \quad \Lambda < 2 \text{ TeV}$$

($\Lambda < 17 \text{ TeV}$ for $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ alone)

small, of the order of CKM
(breaking of $U(2)_q \times U(2)_\ell$ symmetry)

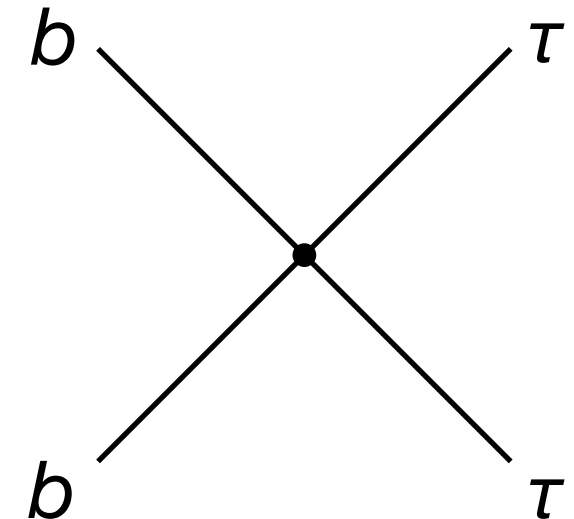
Bounds from present
and future colliders?

High- p_T searches at LHC

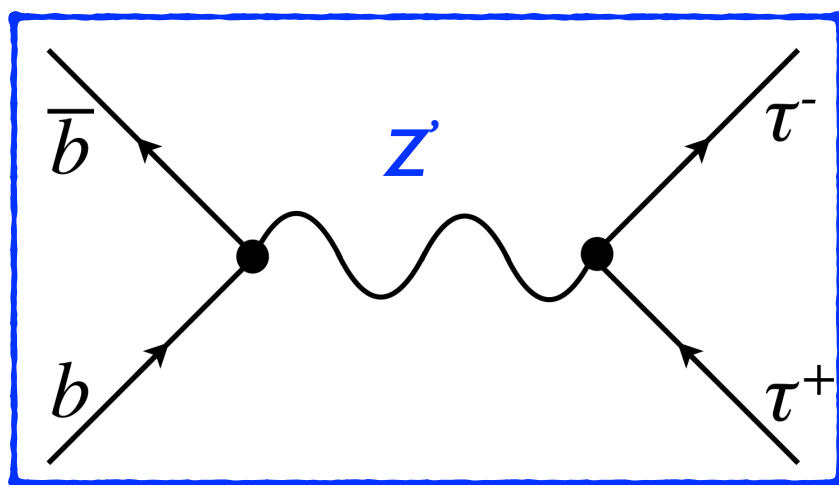
A general feature of any model: large coupling to b and τ

➔ searches in $\tau\tau$ final state at high energy at LHC

PDF of b quark small, but still dominant if compared to flavour suppression

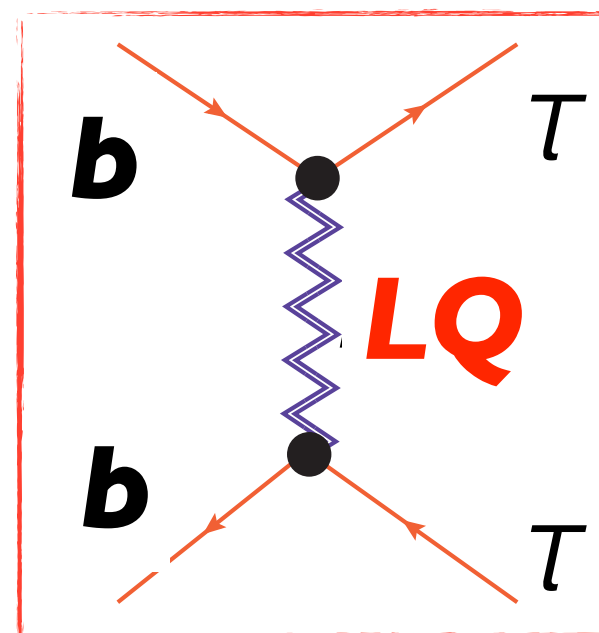


♦ s-channel resonances



must be broad to escape searches if below ~ 2 TeV

♦ t-channel exchange: leptoquarks



UV completions: vector leptoquark

Leptoquark quantum numbers are consistent with **Pati-Salam** unification

$$SU(4) \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \supset SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

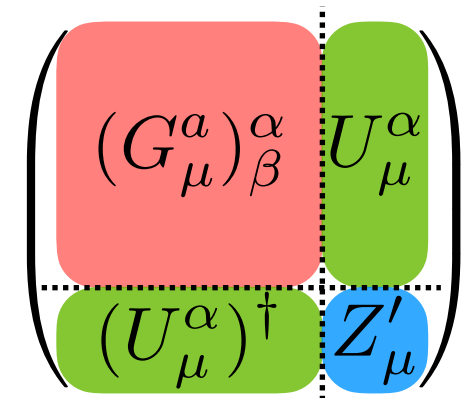
Lepton number = 4th color

$$\psi_L = (q_L^1, q_L^2, q_L^3, \ell_L) \sim (\mathbf{4}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{1}),$$

$$\psi_R = (q_R^1, q_R^2, q_R^3, \ell_R) \sim (\mathbf{4}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}).$$

Gauge fields: $\mathbf{15} = \mathbf{8}_0 \oplus \mathbf{3}_{2/3} \oplus \bar{\mathbf{3}}_{-2/3} \oplus \mathbf{1}_0$

vector leptoquark U_1^μ



- ◆ No proton decay: protected by gauge $U(1)_{B-L} \subset SU(4)$
- ◆ U_μ gauge vector: universal couplings to fermions!
 - ➔ bounds of O(100 TeV) from light fermion processes, e.g. $K \rightarrow \mu e$

UV completions: vector leptoquark

Non-universal couplings to fermions needed!

- **Elementary vectors:** extended gauge group
color can't be completely embedded in $SU(4)$

$$SU(4) \times SU(3) \rightarrow SU(3)_c$$

Di Luzio et al. 2017

Isidori et al. 2017

only the 3rd generation is charged under $SU(4)$

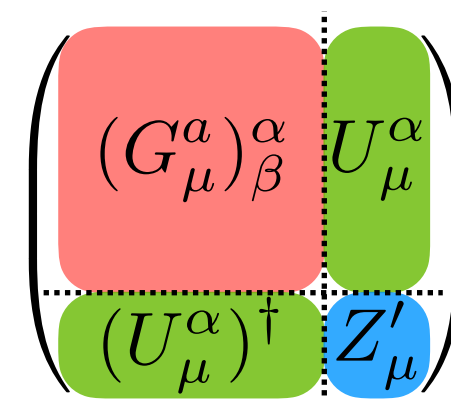
- **Composite vectors:** resonances of a strongly interacting sector
with global $SU(4) \times SU(2) \times SU(2)$

Barbieri, Tesi 2017

the couplings to fermions can be different (e.g. partial compositeness)

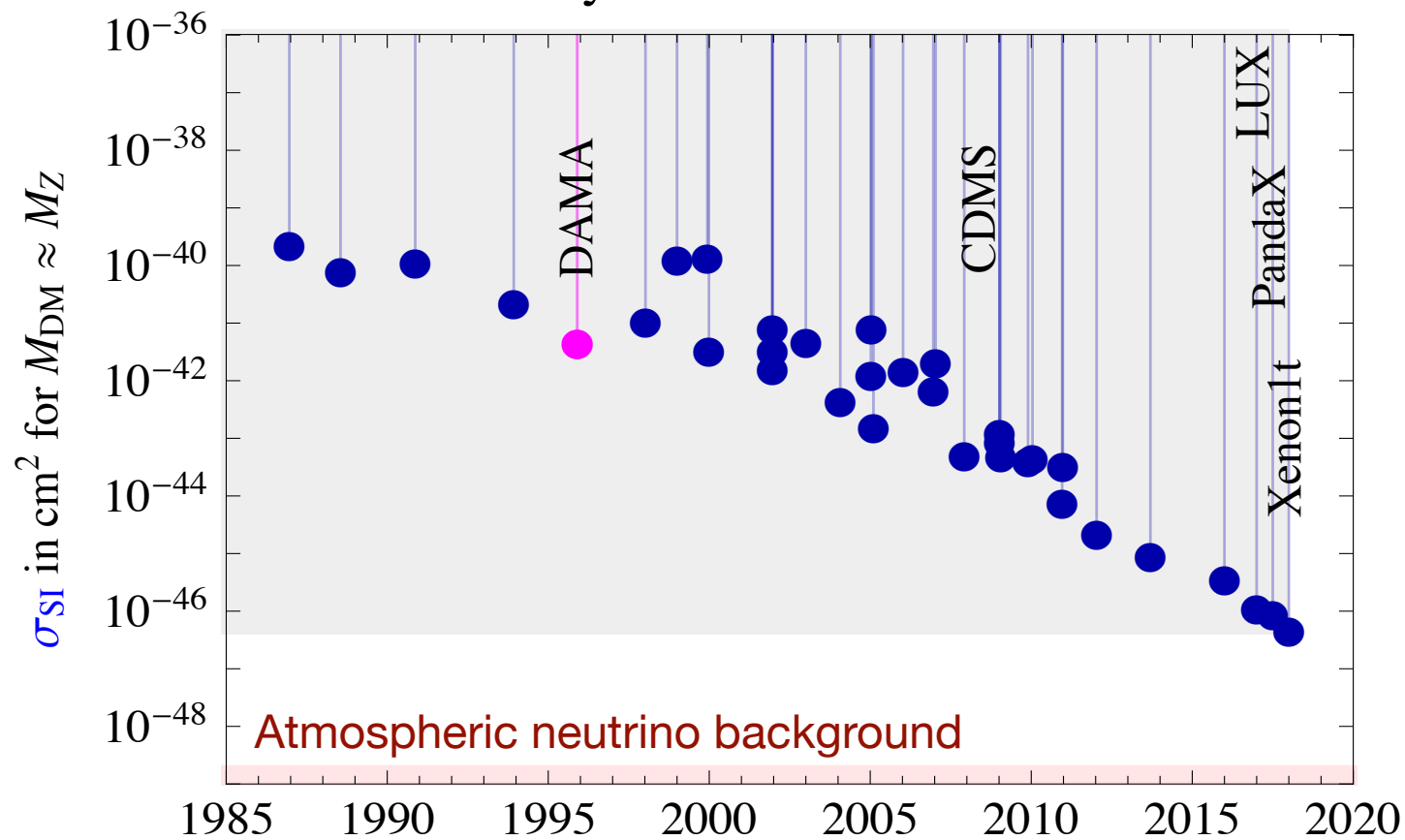
In all cases, additional heavy vector resonances
(color octet and Z') are present

Searches at LHC!



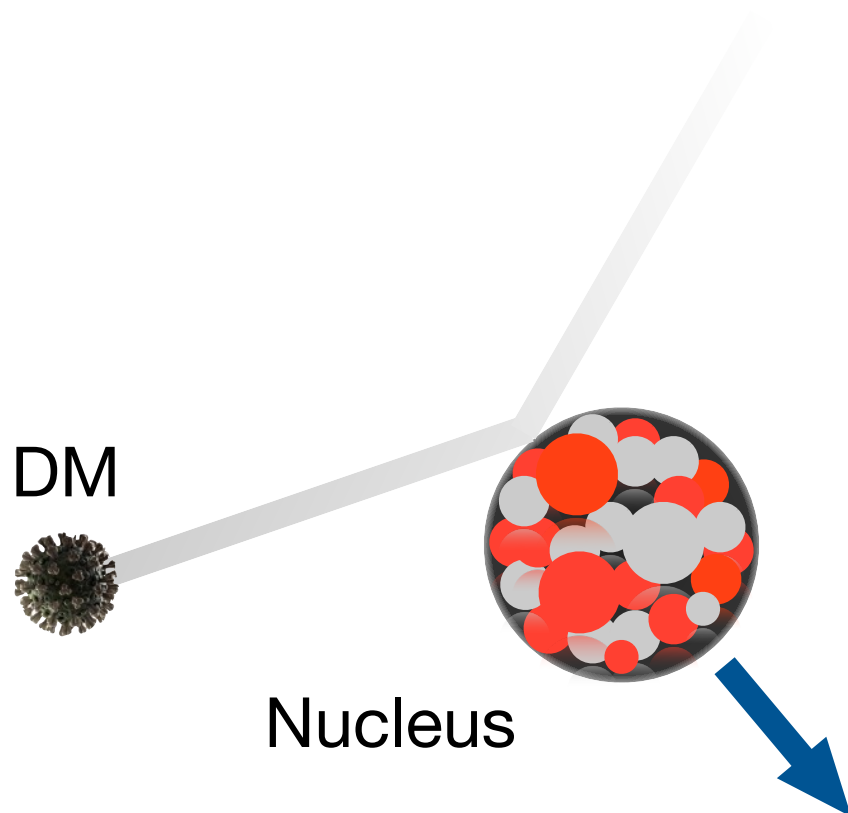
Dark Matter direct detection

History of direct DM searches



- ◆ DM scatterings are very rare events
- ◆ Not easy to fully understand backgrounds at low recoil energy
- ➔ most experiments aim at reducing backgrounds as much as possible

No evidence for DM found until now



Rate for contact interactions:

$$\frac{dR}{dE_{\text{rec}}} = (\text{mass}) \times \frac{\sigma_0 F(q)^2}{2\mu^2 m_{\text{DM}}} \rho_{\text{DM}} \int_{v_{\text{min}}}^{v_{\text{esc}}} d^3v \frac{f(\mathbf{v}, t)}{v}$$

DM velocity distribution

$$v_{\text{min}} = \sqrt{M_{\text{nucl}} E_{\text{rec}} / 2\mu^2}$$

for elastic scattering