

Beyond the Higgs

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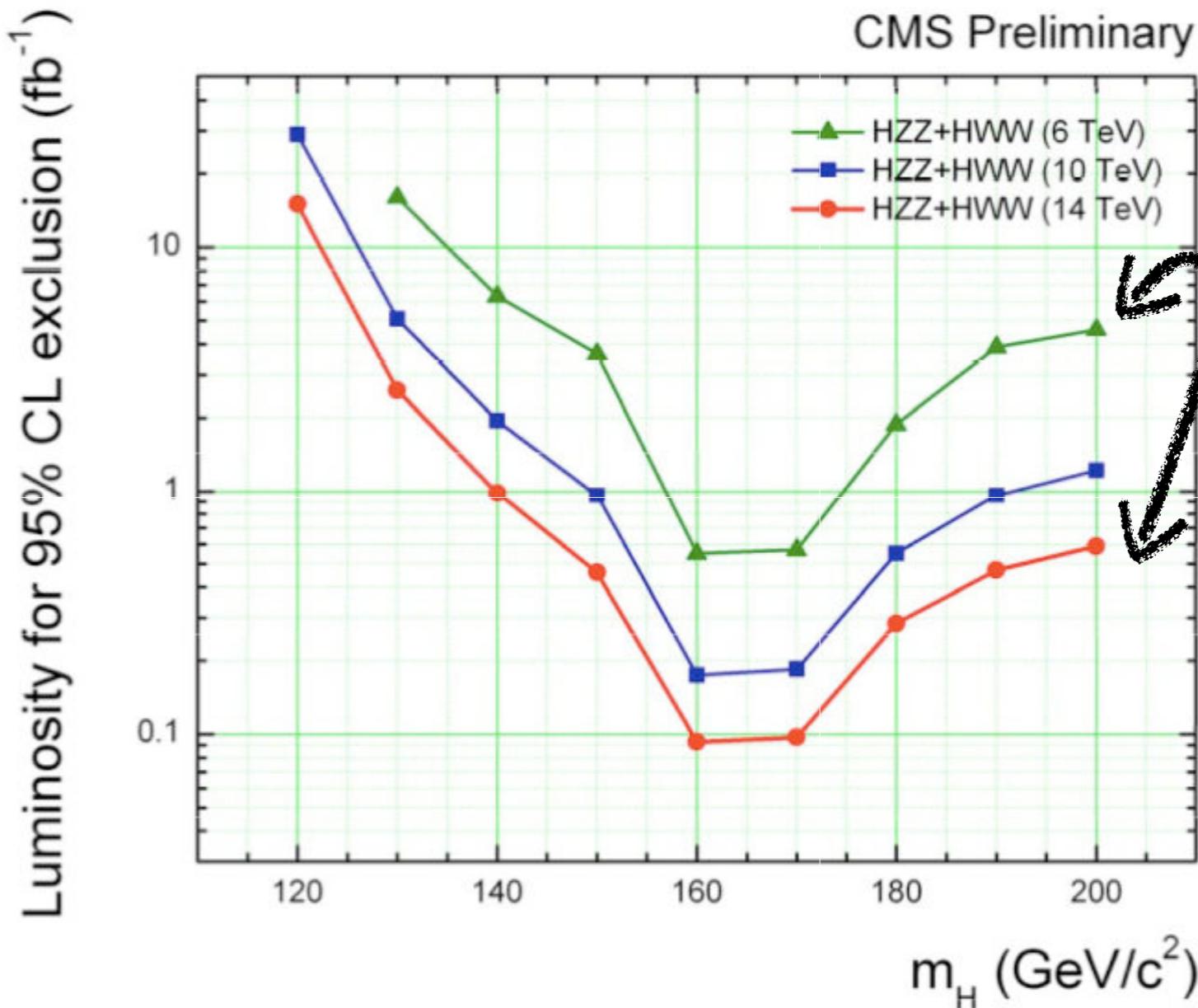
waiting for collisions... and still building models

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first data, but we are still facing the same questions...

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the first LHC run is unlikely to change the picture

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- ... 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

The source of the Goldstone's

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 Where are these Goldstone's coming from? \Leftarrow —

what is the sector responsible for the breaking $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ to $SU(2)_V$?

with which dynamics? with which interactions to the SM particles?

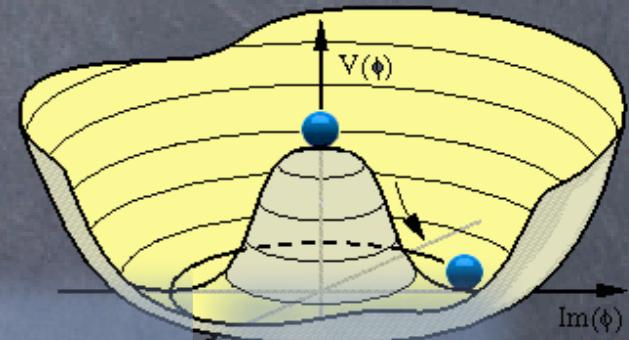
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One physical degree of freedom
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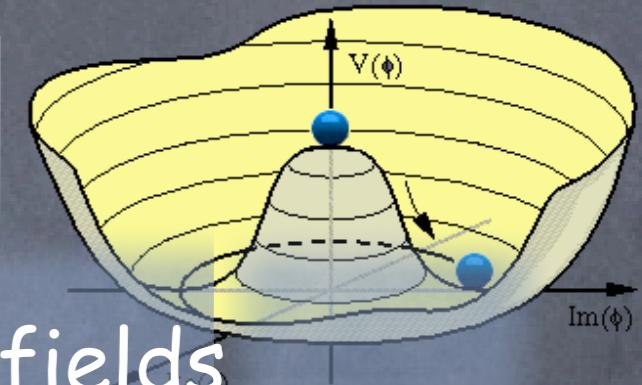
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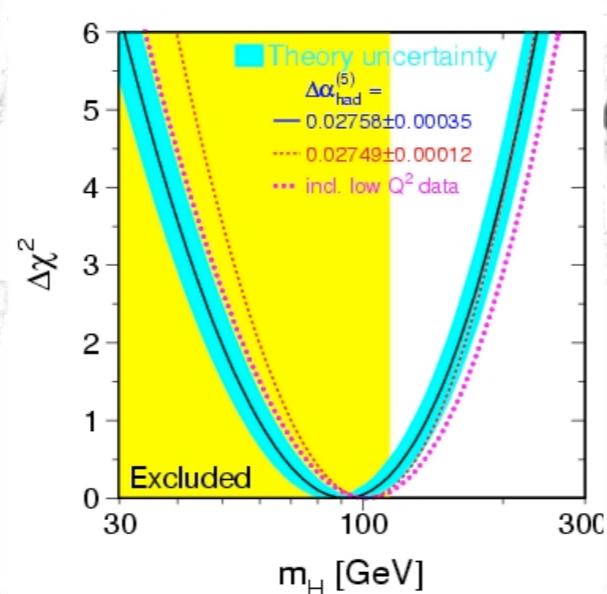
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Good
agreement
with EW data
(doublet $\Leftrightarrow \rho=1$)



Measurement	Fit	$ O^{meas} - O^{fit} /\sigma^{meas}$
$\Delta\alpha_{had}^{(5)}(m_Z)$	0.02758 ± 0.00035	0.02767
m_Z [GeV]	91.1875 ± 0.0021	91.1874
Γ_Z [GeV]	2.4952 ± 0.0023	2.4959
σ_{had}^0 [nb]	41.540 ± 0.037	41.478
R_l	20.767 ± 0.025	20.743
$A_{fb}^{0,l}$	0.01714 ± 0.00095	0.01642
$A_l(P_c)$	0.1465 ± 0.0032	0.1480
R_b	0.21629 ± 0.00066	0.21579
R_c	0.1721 ± 0.0030	0.1723
$A_{fb}^{0,b}$	0.0992 ± 0.0016	0.1037
$A_{fb}^{0,c}$	0.0707 ± 0.0035	0.0742
A_b	0.923 ± 0.020	0.935
A_c	0.670 ± 0.027	0.668
$A_l(SLD)$	0.1513 ± 0.0021	0.1480
$\sin^2\theta_{eff}^{lept}(Q_{fb})$	0.2324 ± 0.0012	0.2314
m_W [GeV]	80.404 ± 0.030	80.377
Γ_W [GeV]	2.115 ± 0.058	2.092
m_t [GeV]	172.7 ± 2.9	173.3

But the Higgs
hasn't been
seen yet...

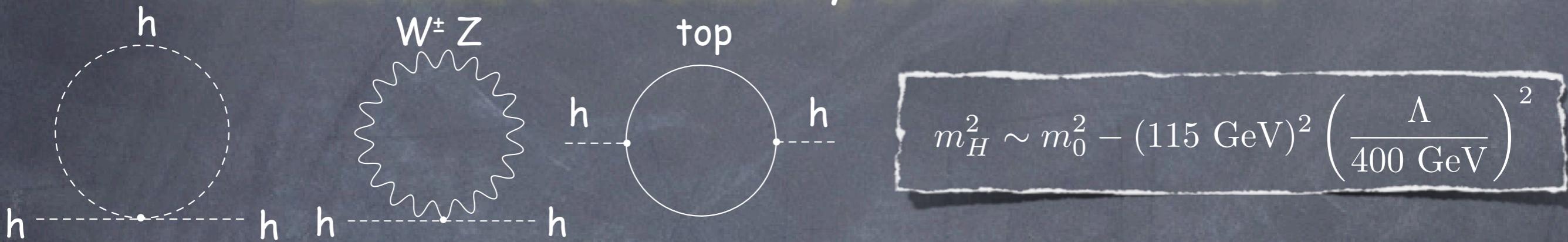
"Myth or fact?"

How close to reality is the SM Higgs boson?

New physics: hierarchy pb @ flavor

The hierarchy problem

need new degrees of freedom to cancel Λ^2 divergences
and ensure the stability of the weak scale



$$m_H^2 \sim m_0^2 - (115 \text{ GeV})^2 \left(\frac{\Lambda}{400 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2$$

1 add a sym. such that a Higgs mass is forbidden until this sym. is broken

- ⦿ supersymmetry [Witten, '81]
- ⦿ gauge-Higgs unification [Manton, '79, Hosotani '83]
- ⦿ Higgs as a pseudo Nambu-Goldstone boson [Georgi-Kaplan, '84]

2 lower the UV scale

- ⦿ large extra-dimension [Arkani-Hamed-Dimopoulos-Dvali, '98]
- ⦿ 10^{32} species [Dvali '07]

3 remove the Higgs

- ⦿ technicolor [Weinberg '79, Susskind '79]

Hierarchy problem vs flavor: tension

Clash of Scales

Higgs sector

$$\Lambda < 3\text{-}4 \text{ TeV}$$

Flavor

$$\Lambda > 10^{4\text{-}5} \text{ TeV}$$

the higher the scale of new physics, the more fine-tuned the Higgs, the less likely a discovery at LHC

Weak Strong

SM & al.

$H = \text{elem. scalar: dim=1}$

$$\Lambda^2 |H|^2$$

sick when $\Lambda \rightarrow \infty$

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conformal TC
 $\dim H = 1$ but $\dim |H|^2 = 4$
would solve both pbs
but it seems impossible to realize
[Luty-Okui '04, Rattazzi et al '08]

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2 [Kaplan '91]

partial compositeness

mixing elem. and composite fermions

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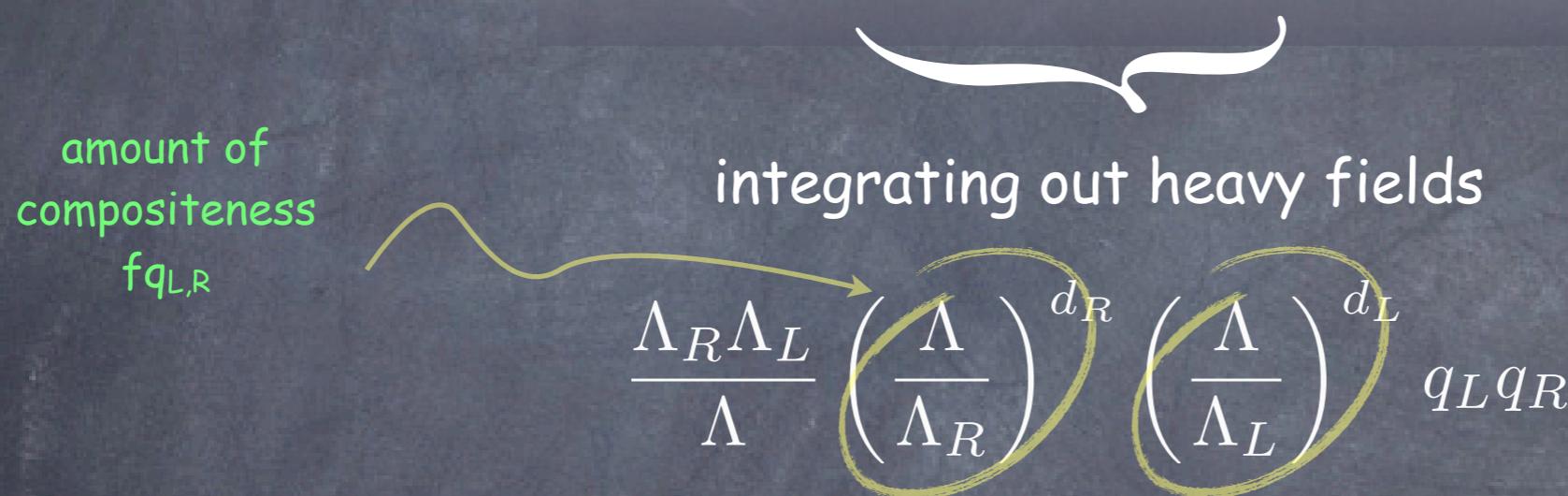
$$\frac{q_L \mathcal{O}_R}{\Lambda_R^{d_R - 5/2}} + \frac{q_R \mathcal{O}_L}{\Lambda_L^{d_R - 5/2}} + \frac{\mathcal{O}_L \mathcal{O}_R}{\Lambda^{d_L + d_R - 4}}$$

$d_{R,L} \approx 5/2$ solves the flavor pb

Partial compositeness: fermion masses

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1 fermion mass hierarchy easily generated by small diff. in anomalous dims

2 alignment mixing angles/masses is also explained

$$V_{CKM} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \lambda & \lambda^3 \\ \lambda & 1 & \lambda^2 \\ \lambda^3 & \lambda^2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

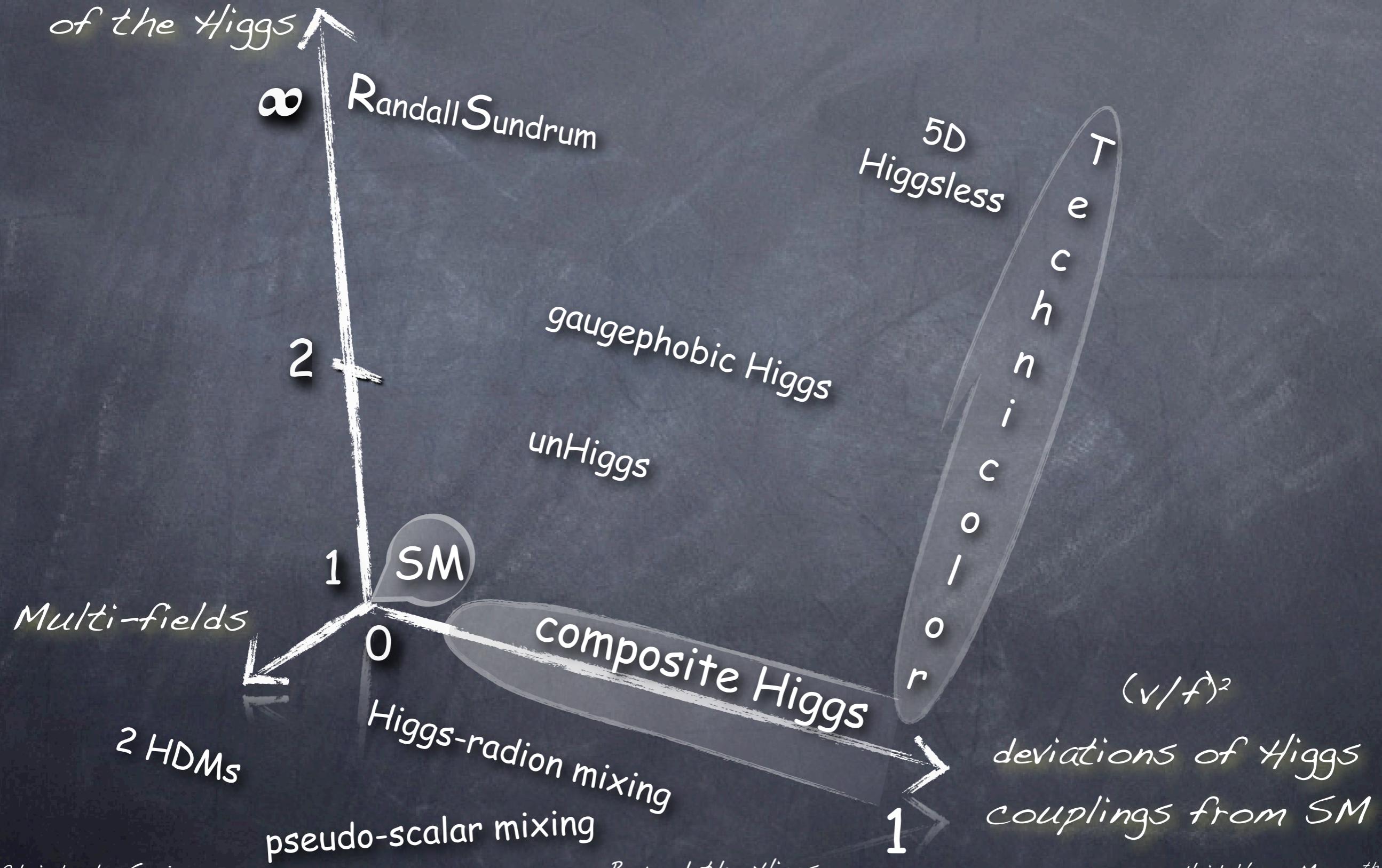
$$m_{u_i} \propto f_{q_i} f_{u_i}$$

$$V_{CKM}^{ij} \sim f_{q_i} / f_{q_j}$$

$$m_{d_i} \propto f_{q_i} f_{d_i}$$

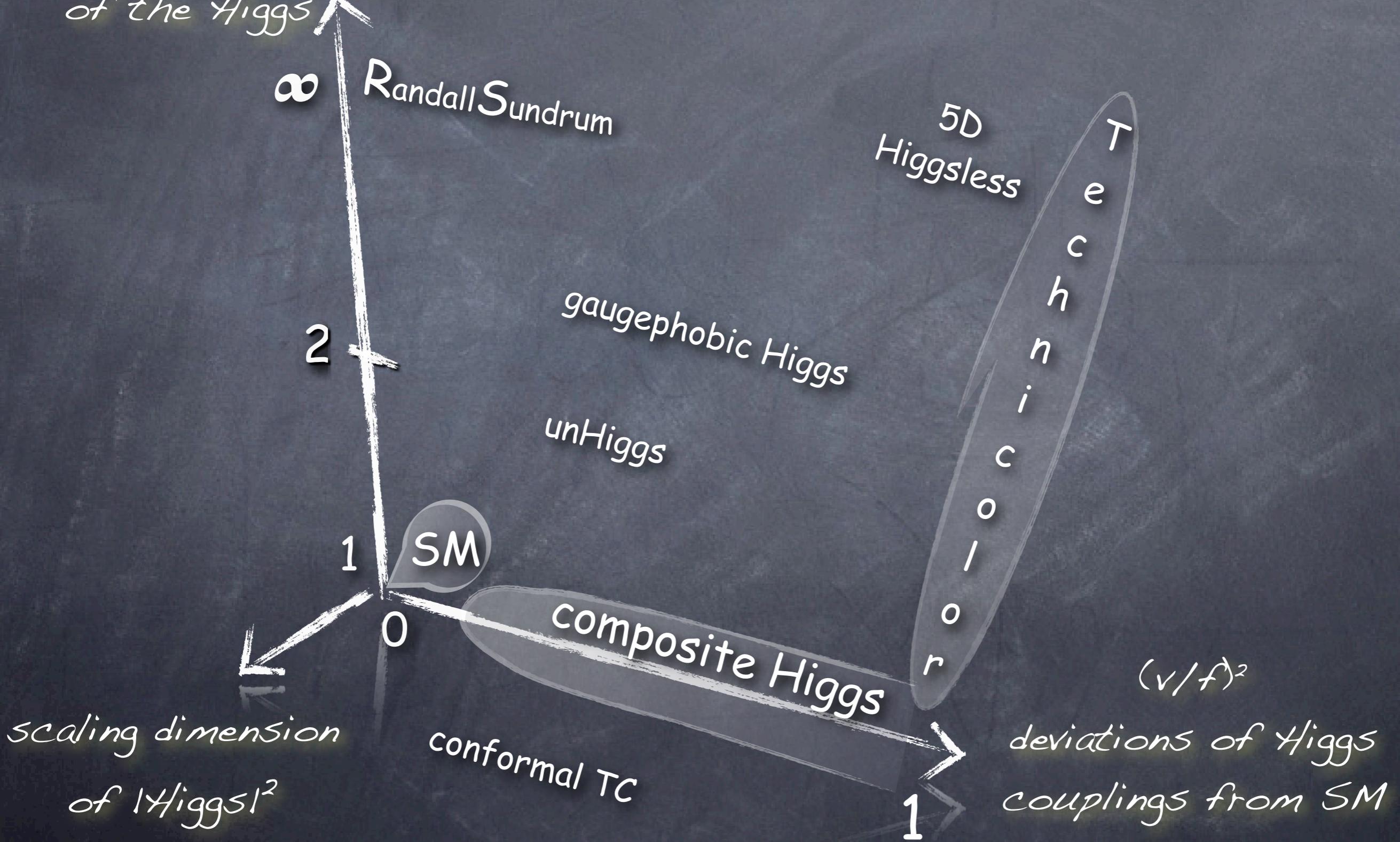
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scaling dimension
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scaling dimension
of $|Higgs|^2$

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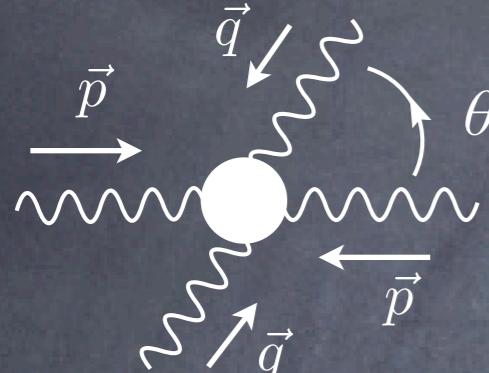
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5D Higgsless Models

Unitarization of (Elastic) Scattering Amplitude

Same KK mode

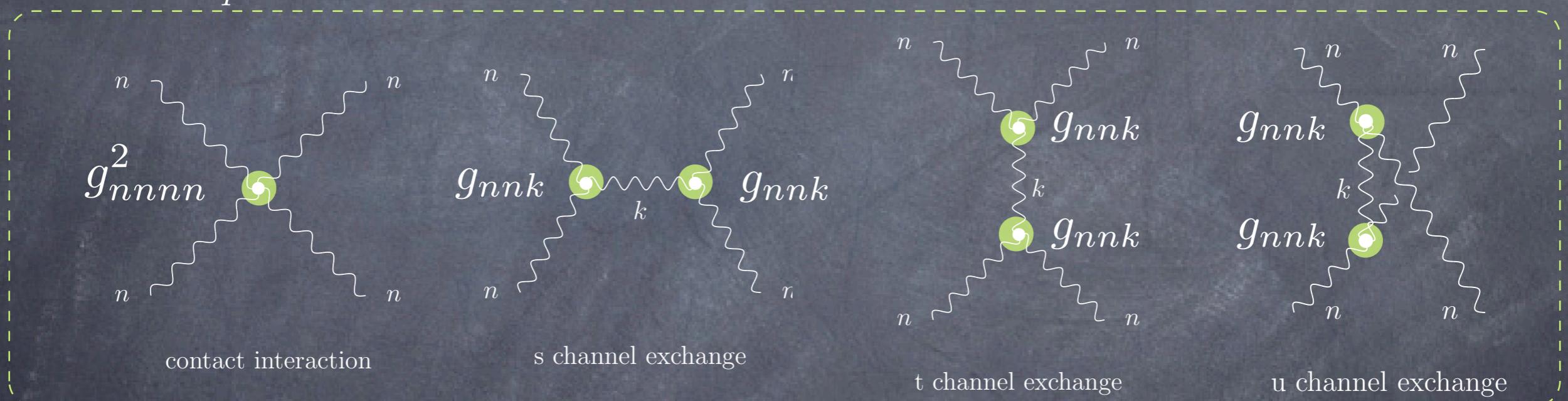
'in' and 'out'



$$\epsilon_{\perp}^{\mu} = \left(\frac{|\vec{p}|}{M}, \frac{E}{M} \frac{\vec{p}}{|\vec{p}|} \right)$$

[Csaki, Grojean, Murayama, Pilo, Terning '03]

$$\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}^{(4)} \left(\frac{E}{M} \right)^4 + \mathcal{A}^{(2)} \left(\frac{E}{M} \right)^2 + \dots$$



contact interaction

s channel exchange

t channel exchange

u channel exchange

$$\mathcal{A}^{(4)} = i \left(g_{nnnn}^2 - \sum_k g_{nnk}^2 \right) \left(f^{abe} f^{cde} (3 + 6c_{\theta} - c_{\theta}^2) + 2(3 - c_{\theta}^2) f^{ace} f^{bde} \right)$$

$\underbrace{\quad}_{=0}$ KK sum rules (enforced by 5D Ward identities)

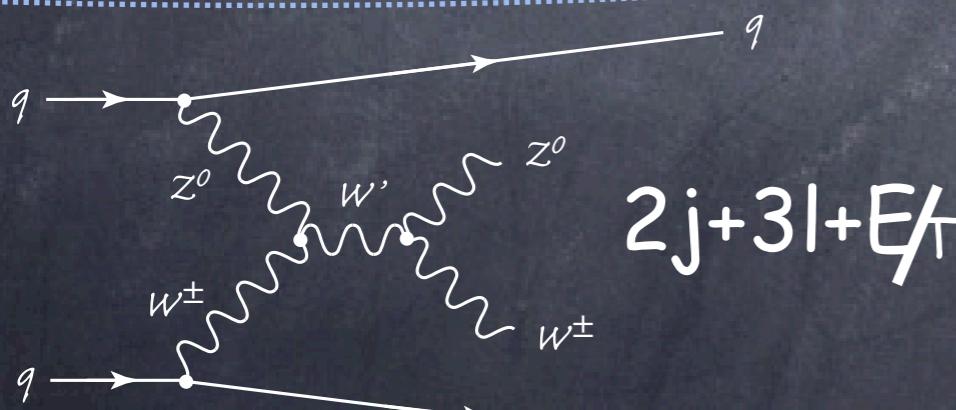
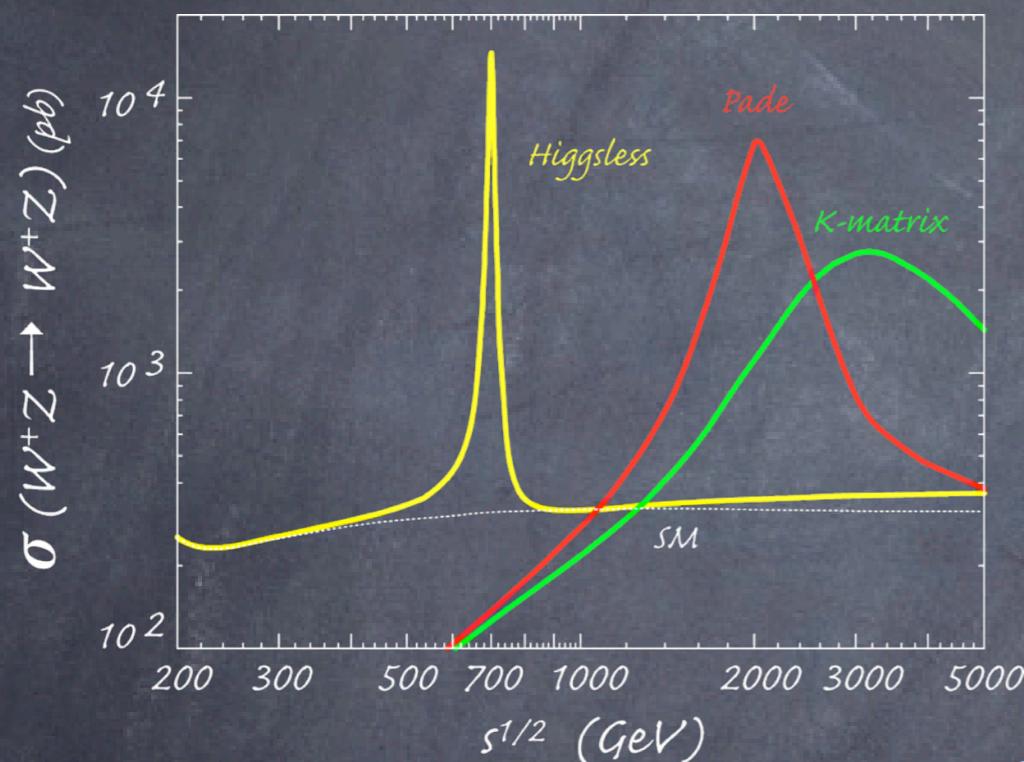
$$\mathcal{A}^{(2)} = i \left(4g_{nnnn}^2 - \underbrace{3 \sum_k g_{nnk}^2 \frac{M_k^2}{M_n^2}}_{=0} \right) \left(f^{ace} f^{bde} - s_{\theta/2}^2 f^{abe} f^{cde} \right)$$

Collider Signatures

[Birkedal, Matchev, Perelstein '05]
 [He et al. '07]

unitarity restored by vector resonances whose masses and
 couplings are constrained by the unitarity sum rules

WZ elastic cross section



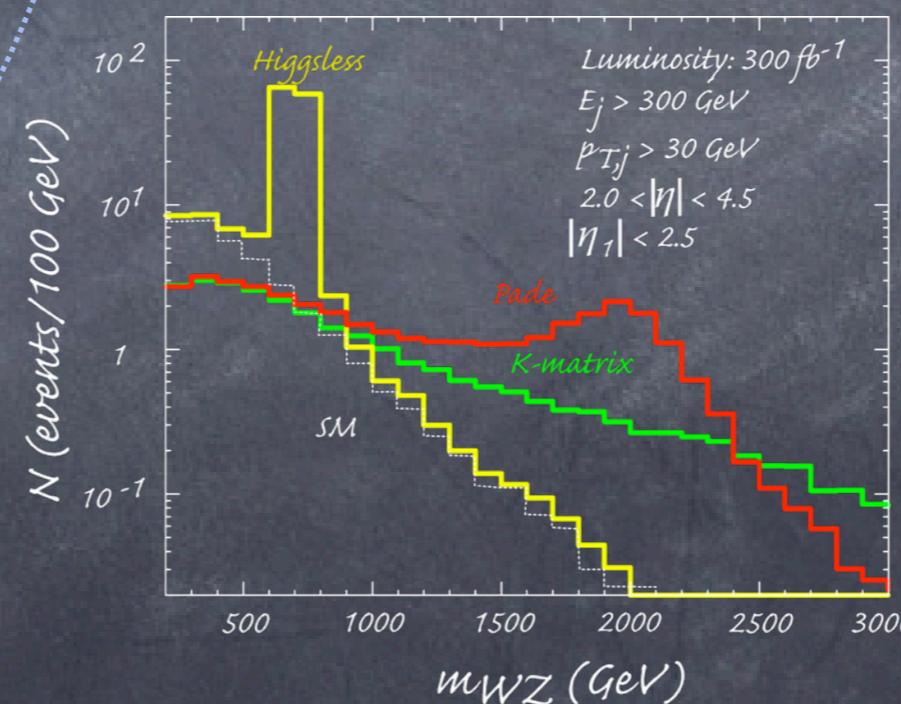
VBF (LO) dominates over DY since
 couplings of q to W' are reduced

$$g_{WW'Z} \leq \frac{g_{WWZ} M_Z^2}{\sqrt{3} M_{W'} M_W} \quad \Gamma(W' \rightarrow WZ) \sim \frac{\alpha M_{W'}^3}{144 s_w^2 M_W^2}$$

a narrow and light resonance
 no resonance in WZ for SM/MSSM

W' production

discovery reach
 @ LHC
 (10 events)



$550 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 $1 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow 60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

should be seen
 within one/two years

Number of events at the LHC, 300 fb^{-1}

Facing EW precision data

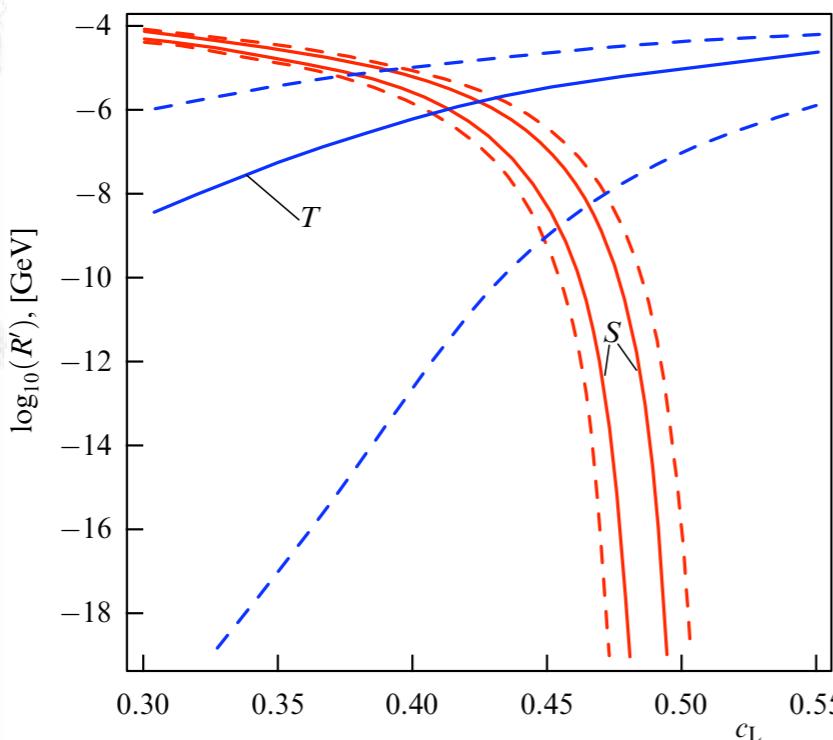
At the lowest order in the $\text{Log}(R_{\text{IR}}/R_{\text{UV}})$ expansion: $S=T=Y=W=0$

At next order $S = \frac{6\pi}{g^2 \log(R_{\text{IR}}/R_{\text{UV}})} \approx 1.15$...like in usual technicolor models

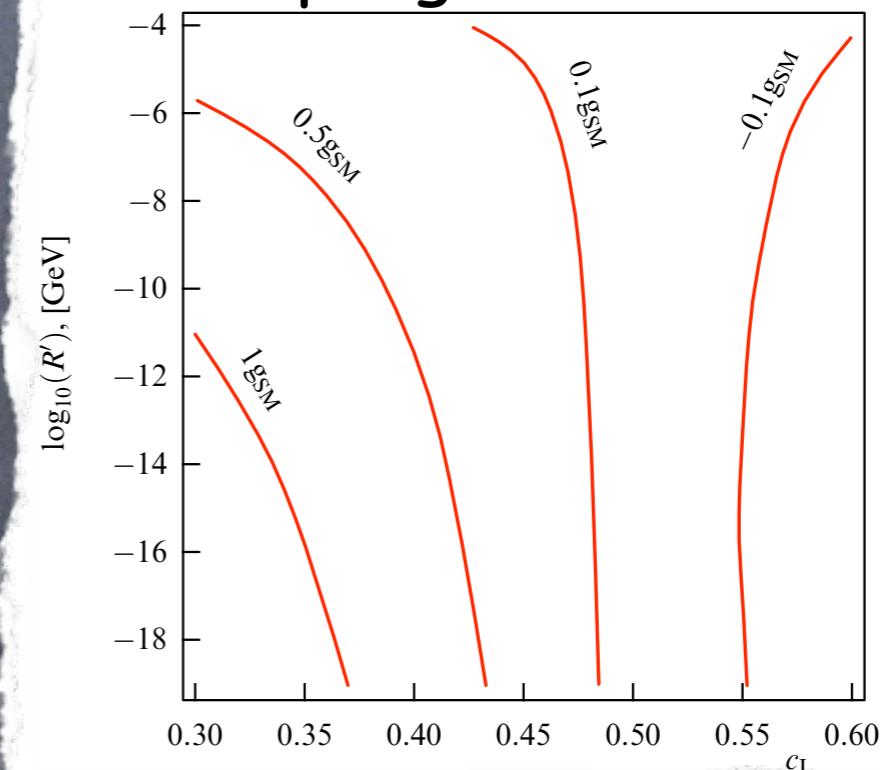
S can be tuned away by delocalizing the fermions in the bulk
they will decouple from W' , Z' etc

[Cacciapaglia et al '04, Foadi et al '04, Casalbuoni et al '05]

oblique corrections



W' couplings to fermions



Setup stable under radiative corrections?

[Dawson, Jackson '08]

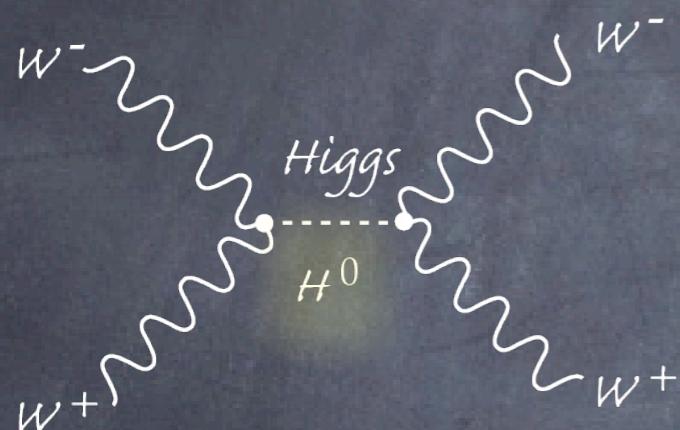
Composite Higgs Models

SM Higgs as a peculiar scalar resonance.

A single scalar degree of freedom with no charge under $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

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

'a' and 'b' are arbitrary free couplings



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

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

For $b = a^2$: perturbative unitarity also maintained in inelastic channels

— 'a=1' & 'b=1' define the SM Higgs —

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

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

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

Higgs properties depend on a single unknown parameter (m_H)

Continuous interpolation between SM and TC

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

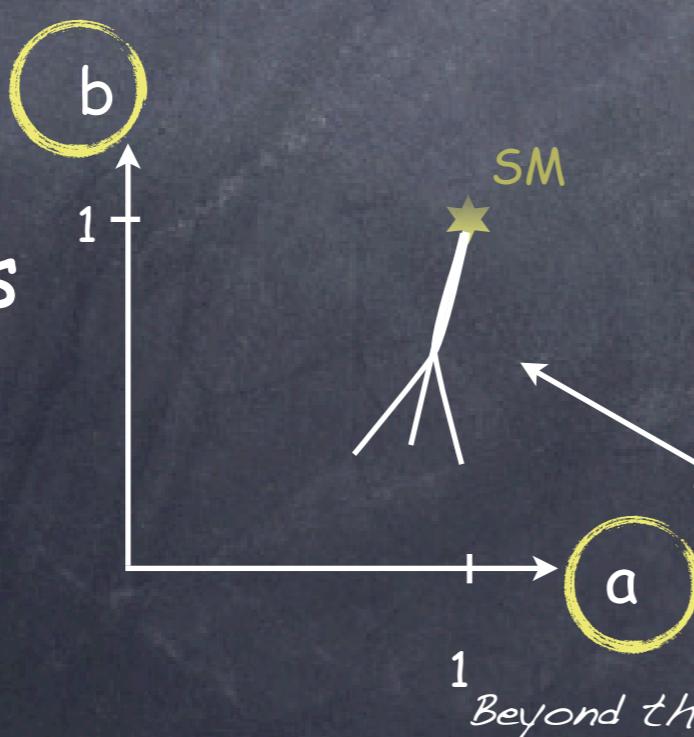
$\xi = 0$
SM limit

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

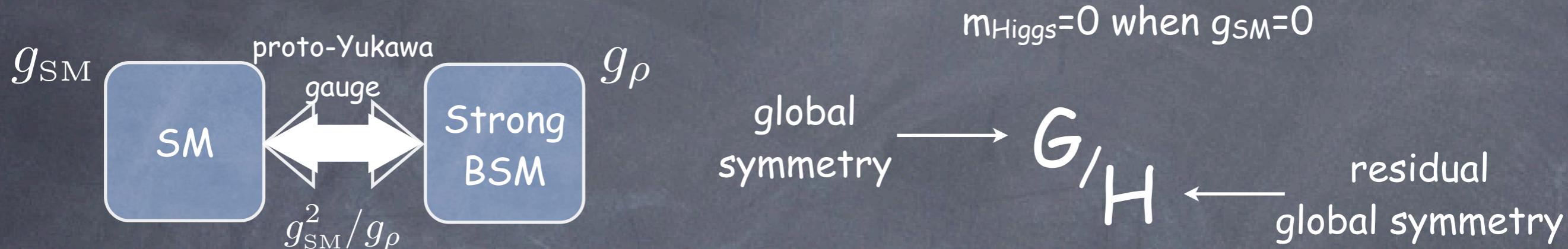


$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EWSB}} = \left(a \frac{v}{2} h + b \frac{1}{4} h^2 \right) \text{Tr} (D_\mu \Sigma^\dagger D_\mu \Sigma)$$

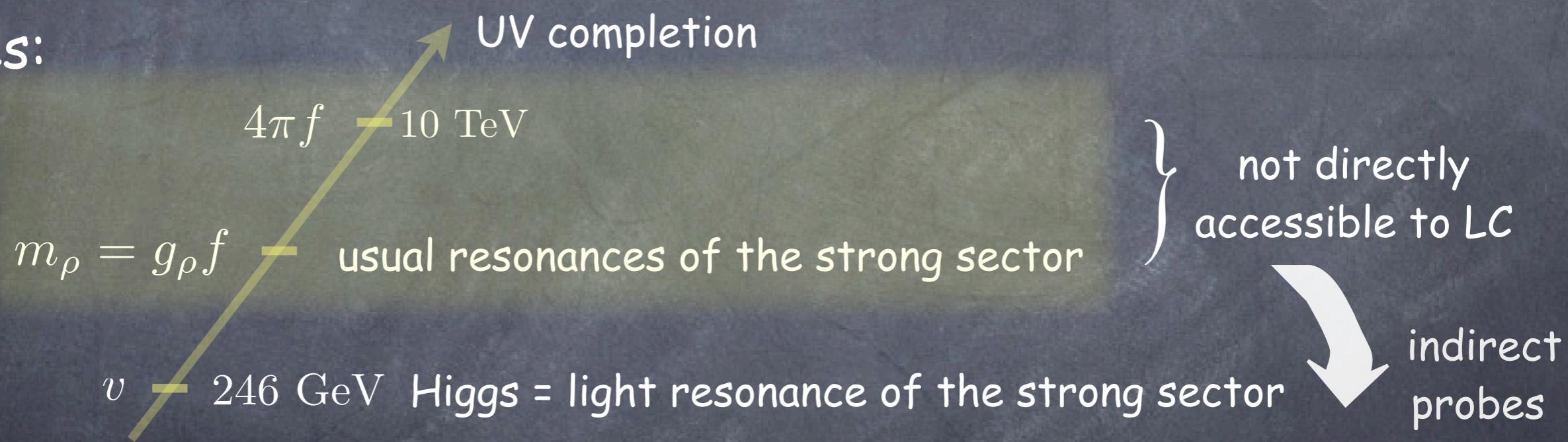
Composite Higgs
universal behavior for large f
 $a=1-v/2f$ $b=1-2v/f$

How to obtain a light composite Higgs?

Higgs=Pseudo-Goldstone boson of the strong sector



3 scales:



strong sector broadly characterized by 2 parameters

m_ρ = mass of the resonances
 g_ρ = coupling of the strong sector or decay cst of strong sector $f = \frac{m_\rho}{g_\rho}$

What distinguishes a composite Higgs?

Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi '07

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

$$U = e^{i \begin{pmatrix} & H/f \\ H^\dagger/f & \end{pmatrix} U_0}$$

$$f^2 \text{tr} (\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial^\mu U) = |\partial_\mu H|^2 + \frac{\sharp}{f^2} (\partial |H|^2)^2 + \frac{\sharp}{f^2} |H|^2 |\partial H|^2 + \frac{\sharp}{f^2} |H^\dagger \partial H|^2$$

Anomalous Higgs Couplings

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

Modified Higgs propagator \sim Higgs couplings rescaled by $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + c_H \frac{v^2}{f^2}}} \sim 1 - c_H \frac{v^2}{2f^2} \equiv 1 - \xi/2$

SILH Effective Lagrangian

(strongly-interacting light Higgs)

Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi '07

- extra Higgs leg: H/f

- extra derivative: ∂/m_ρ

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_ρ)

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

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

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

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

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.

EWPT constraints

$$\hat{T} = c_T \frac{v^2}{f^2} \rightarrow |c_T \frac{v^2}{f^2}| < 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

removed
by custodial symmetry

$$\hat{S} = (c_W + c_B) \frac{m_W^2}{m_\rho^2} \rightarrow m_\rho \geq (c_W + c_B)^{1/2} \text{ 2.5 TeV}$$

There are also some 1-loop IR effects

Barbieri, Bellazzini, Rychkov, Varagnolo '07

$$\hat{S}, \hat{T} = a \log m_h + b$$



modified Higgs couplings to matter

$$\hat{S}, \hat{T} = a ((1 - c_H \xi) \log m_h + c_H \xi \log \Lambda) + b$$

effective
Higgs mass

$$m_h^{eff} = m_h \left(\frac{\Lambda}{m_h} \right)^{c_H v^2 / f^2} > m_h$$

LEPII, for $m_h \sim 115$ GeV: $c_H v^2 / f^2 < 1/3 \sim 1/2$

IR effects can be cancelled by heavy fermions (model dependent)

Flavor Constraints

$$\left(1 + \frac{c_{ij}|H|^2}{f^2}\right) y_{ij} \bar{f}_{Li} H f_{Rj} = \left(1 + \frac{c_{ij}v^2}{2f^2}\right) \frac{y_{ij}v}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{f}_{Li} f_{Rj}$$

mass terms



$$+ \left(1 + \frac{3c_{ij}v^2}{2f^2}\right) \frac{y_{ij}}{\sqrt{2}} h \bar{f}_{Li} f_{Rj}$$

Higgs fermion interactions

mass and interaction matrices are not diagonalizable simultaneously
if c_{ij} are arbitrary

⇒ FCNC

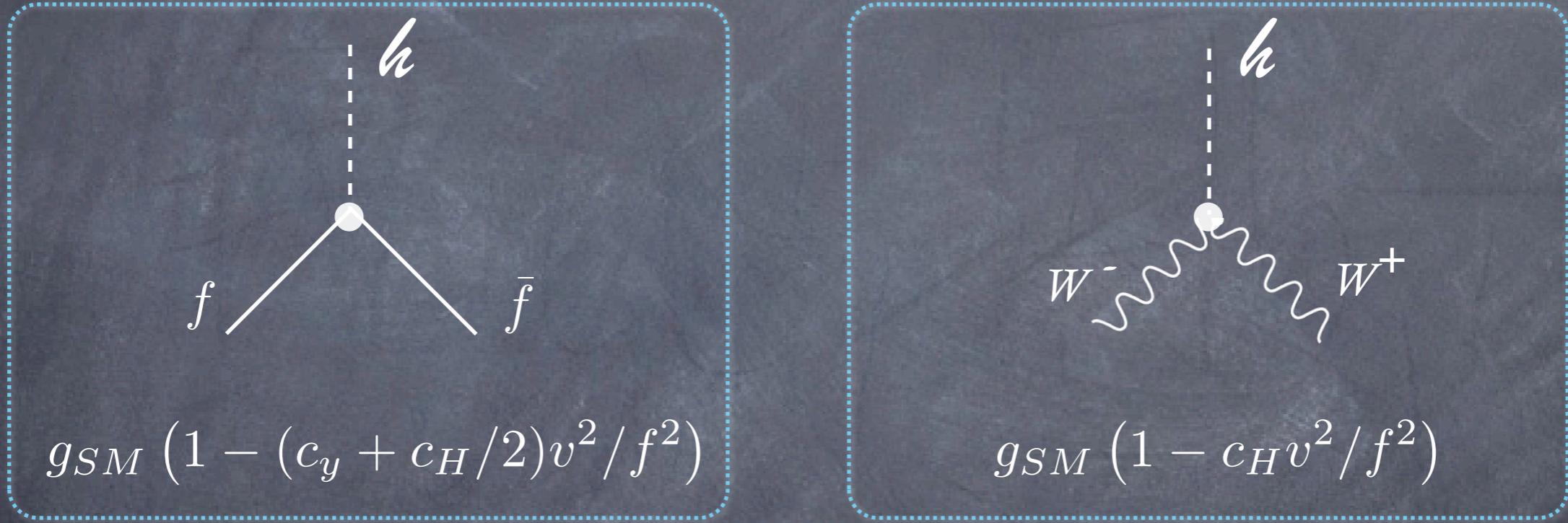
SILH: c_y is flavor universal

⇒ Minimal flavor violation built in

Higgs anomalous couplings

Lagrangian in unitary gauge

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \left(-\frac{m_H^2}{2v} (c_6 - 3c_H/2) h^3 + \frac{m_f}{v} \bar{f} f (c_y + c_H/2) h - c_H \frac{m_W^2}{v} h W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} - c_H \frac{m_Z^2}{v} h Z_\mu Z^\mu \right) \frac{v^2}{f^2} + \dots$$



$$\Gamma (h \rightarrow f \bar{f})_{\text{SILH}} = \Gamma (h \rightarrow f \bar{f})_{\text{SM}} [1 - (2c_y + c_H) v^2/f^2]$$

$$\Gamma (h \rightarrow gg)_{\text{SILH}} = \Gamma (h \rightarrow gg)_{\text{SM}} [1 - (2c_y + c_H) v^2/f^2]$$

Note: same Lorentz structure as in SM. Not true anymore if form factor ops. are included

Higgs anomalous couplings for large v/f

The SILH Lagrangian is an expansion for small v/f

The 5D MCHM gives a completion for large v/f

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

Fermions embedded in spinorial of $SO(5)$

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



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

universal shift of the couplings
no modifications of BRs

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

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

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



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

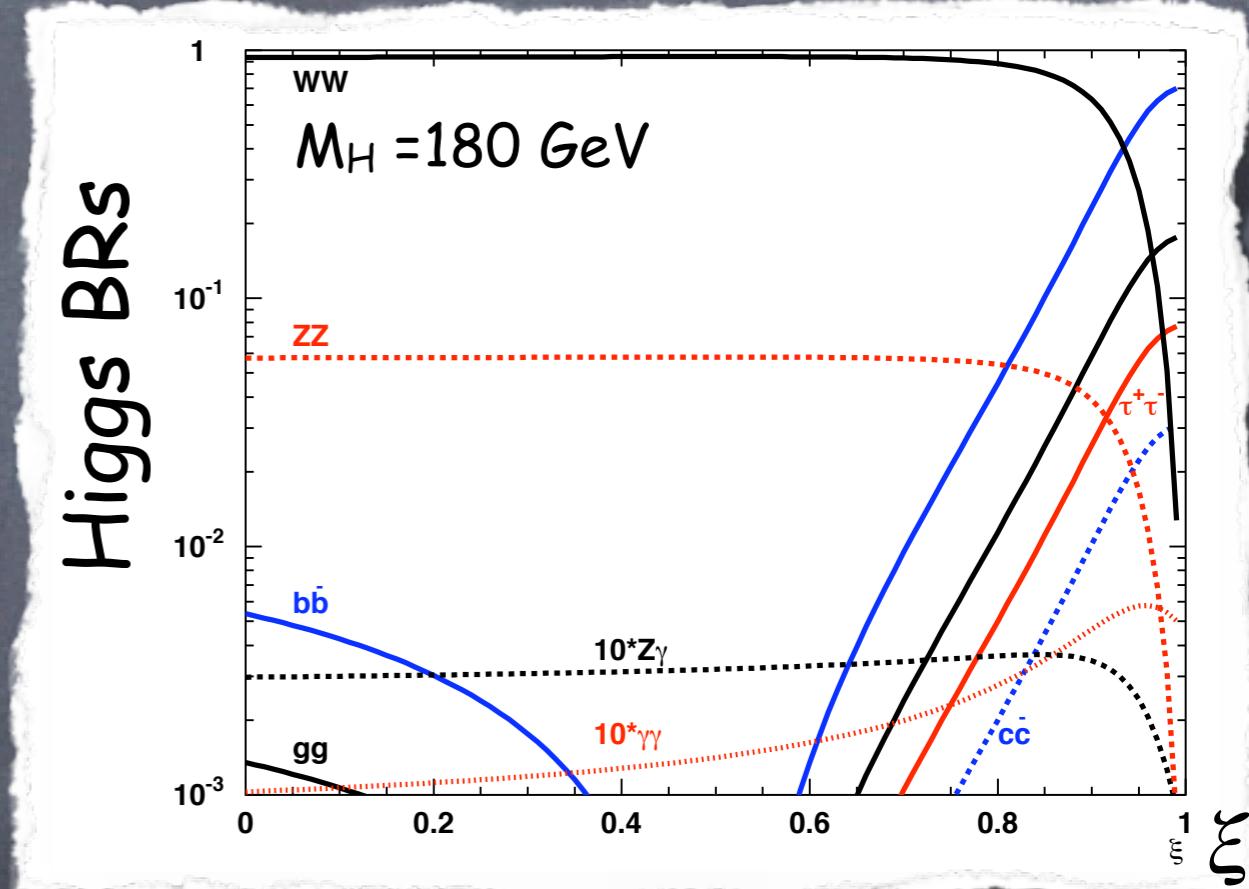
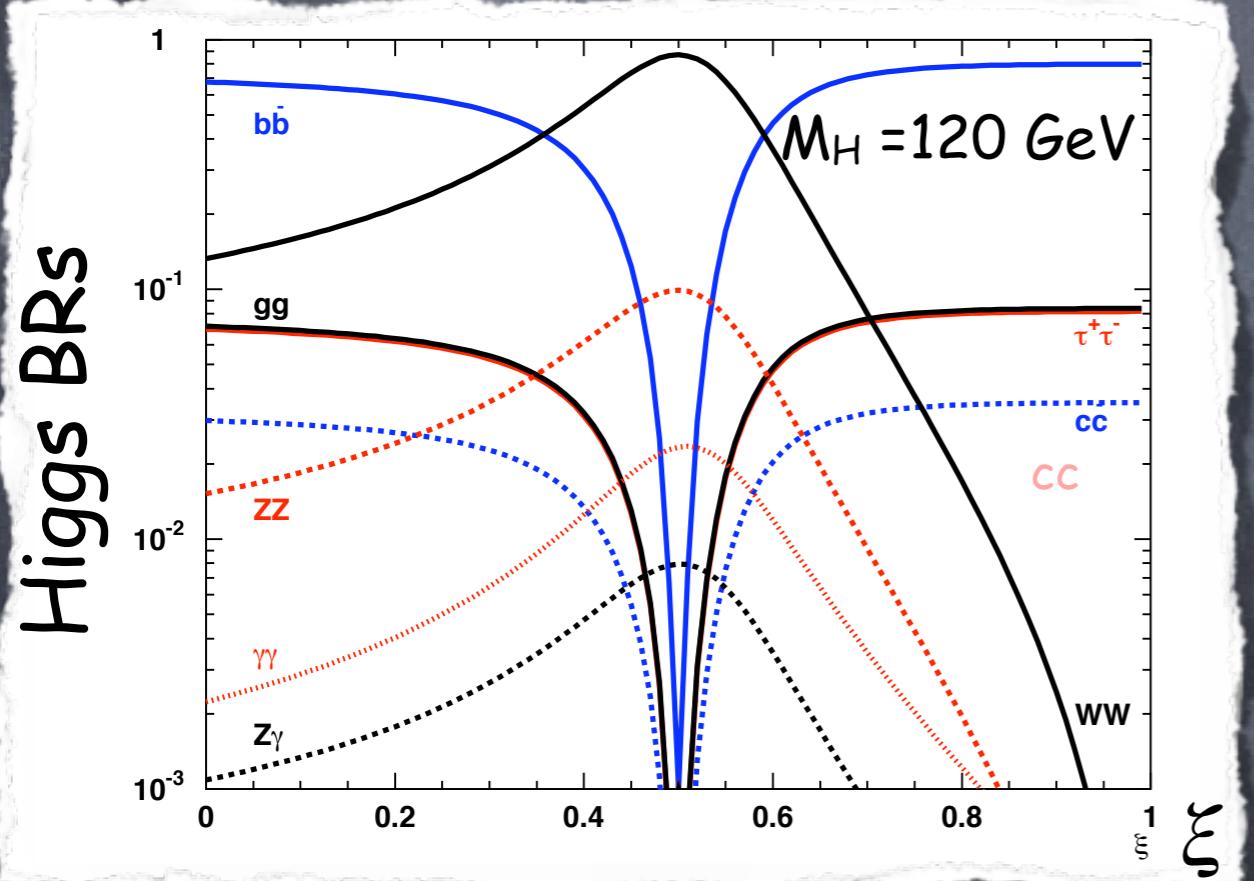
MCHM₅

BRs now depends on v/f

Higgs BRs

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

$MC4HM_5$



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

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

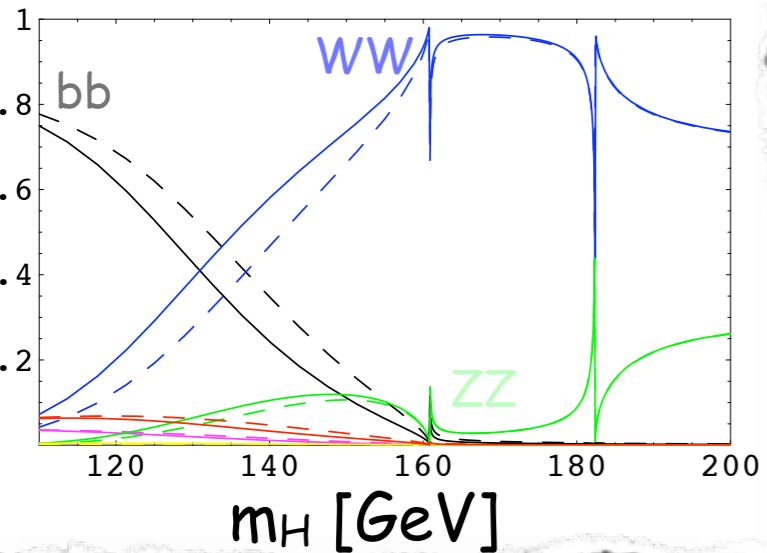
Higgs BRs and total width

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

MCYHM₅

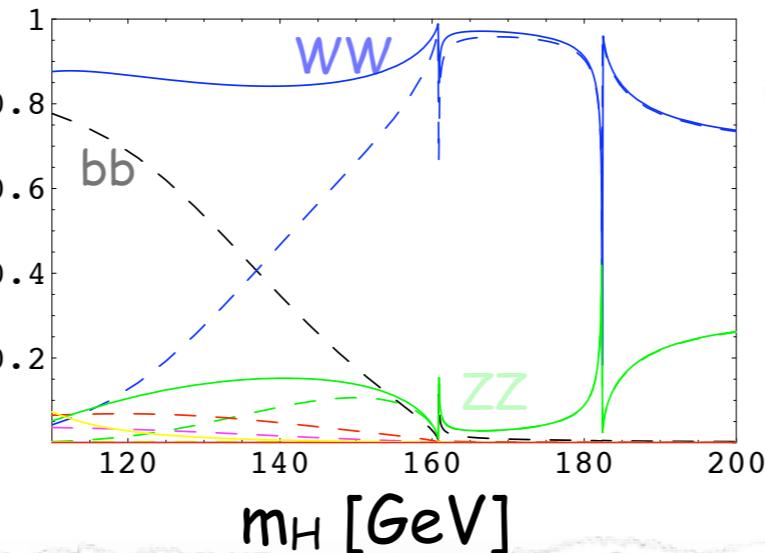
BRs

$v^2/f^2=0.2$



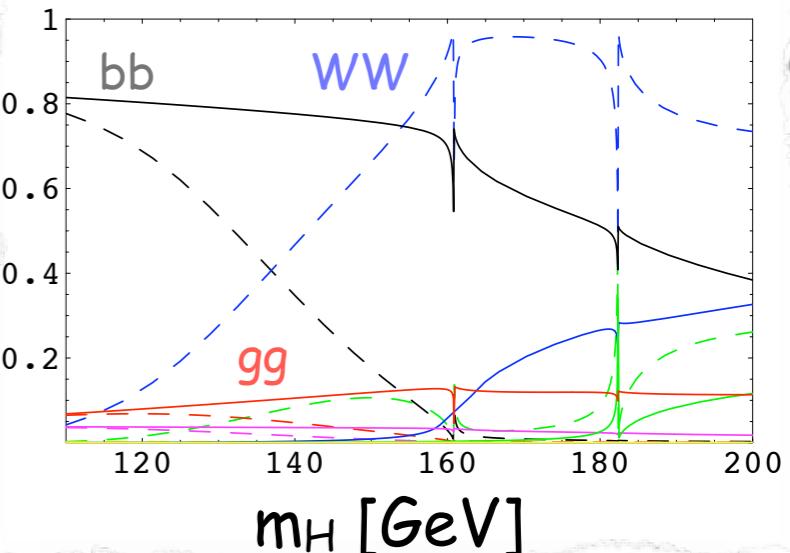
BRs

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BRs

$v^2/f^2=0.95$



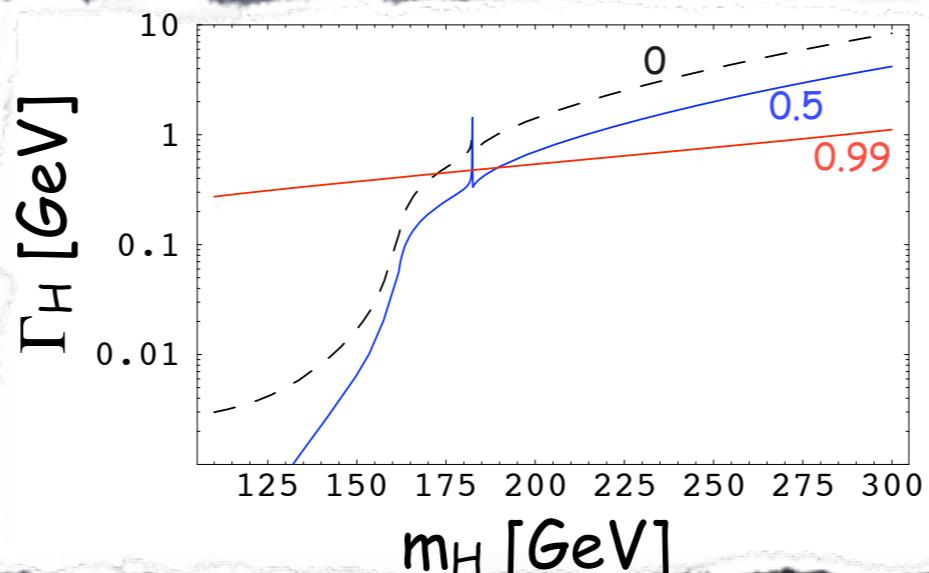
slight modifications

suppress bb

suppress WW

Higgs total width

— MCHM
- - - SM

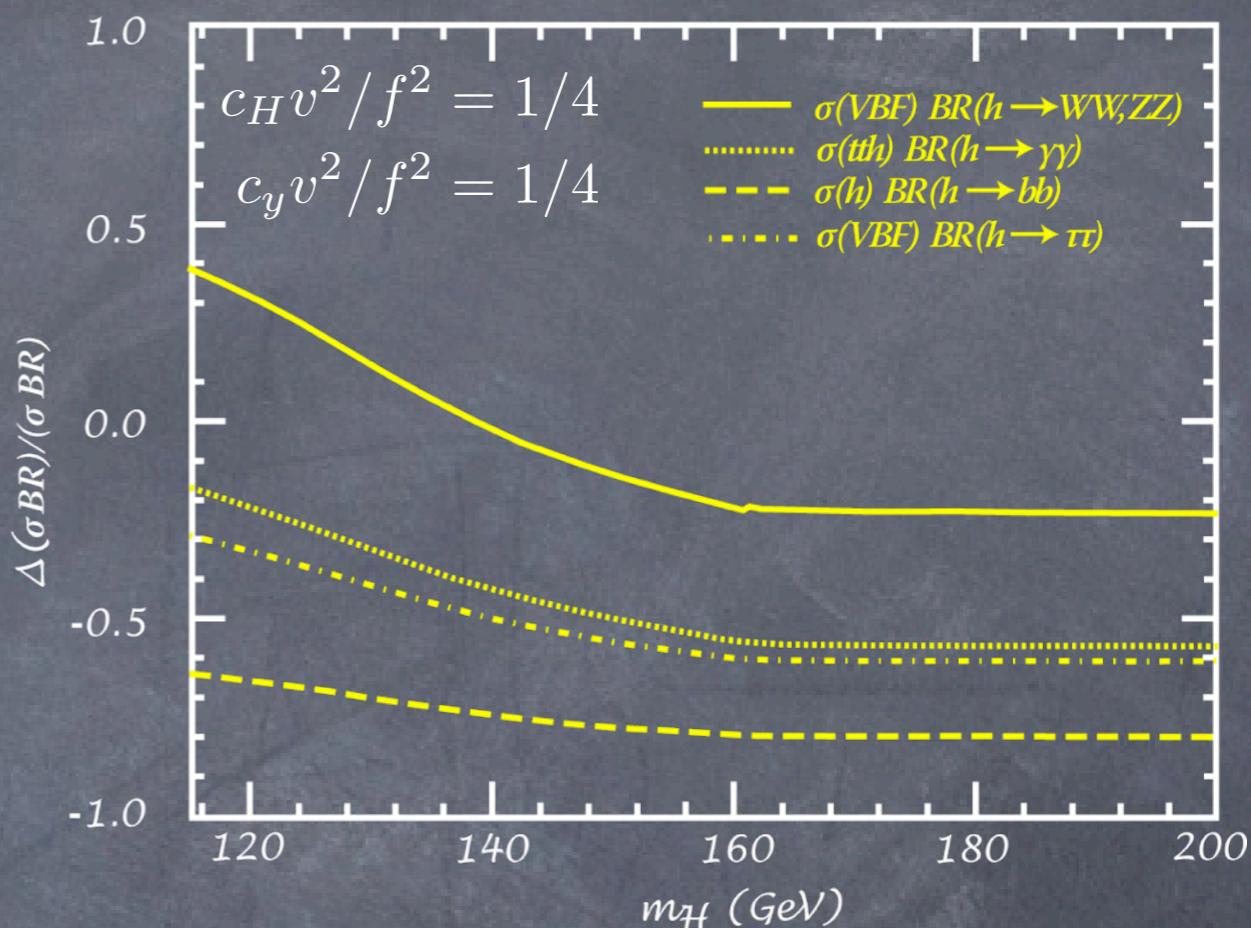
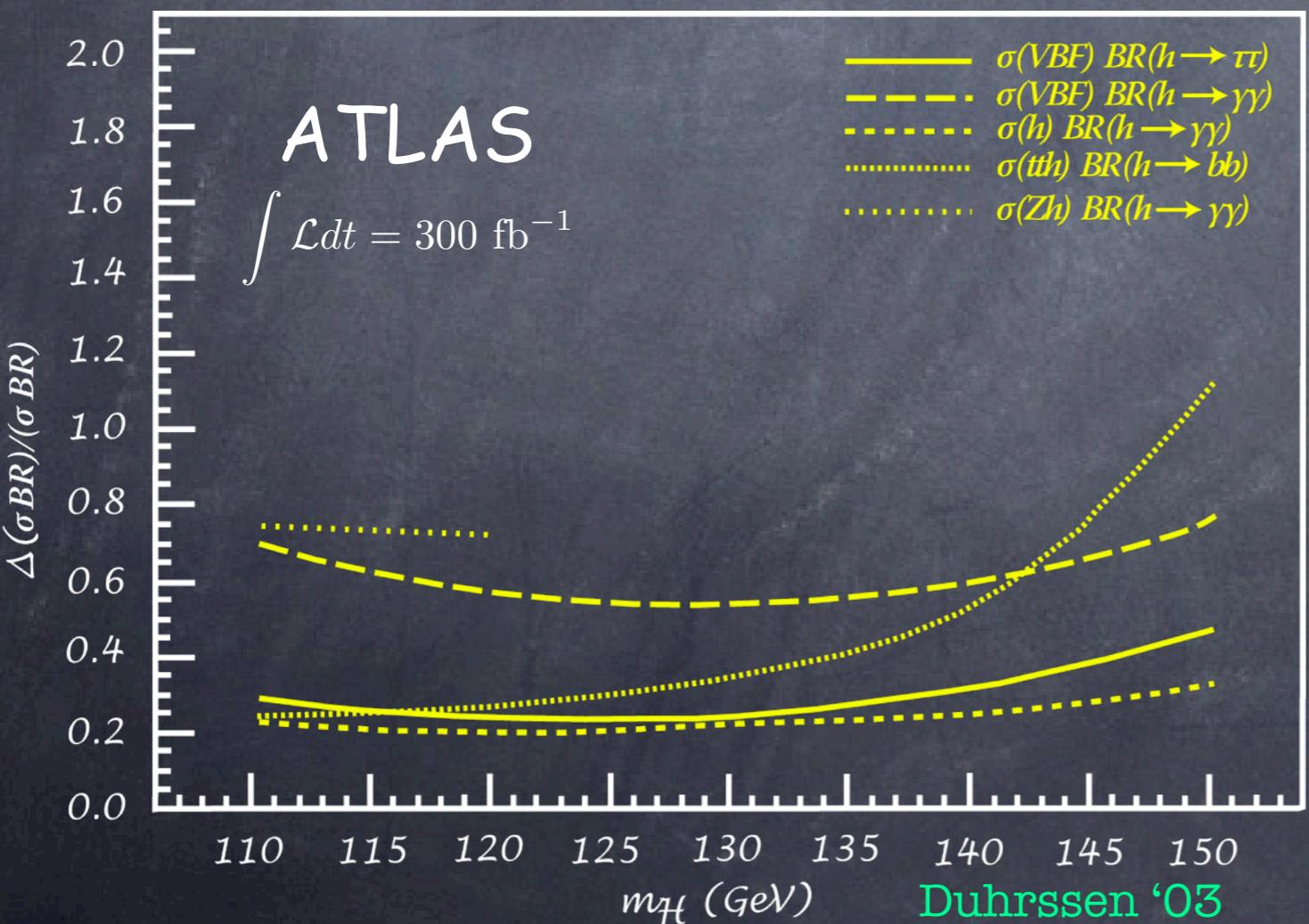


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observable @ LHC?



LHC can measure

$$c_H \frac{v^2}{f^2}, \quad c_y \frac{v^2}{f^2}$$

up to 0.2-0.4

i.e. $4\pi f \sim 5 - 7 \text{ TeV}$

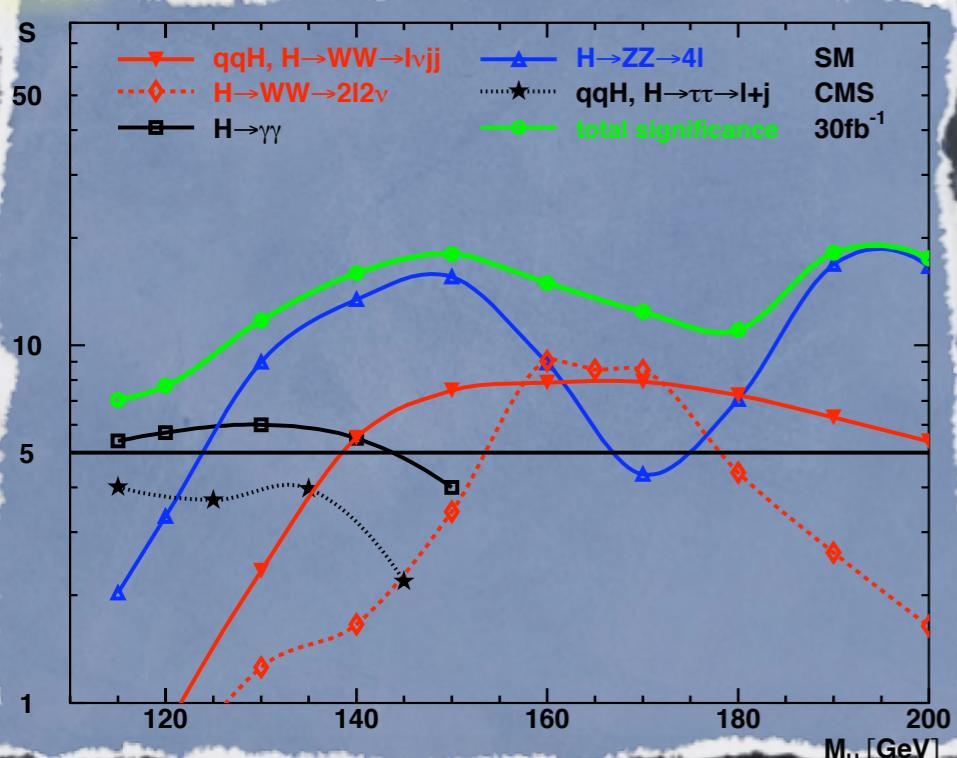
(ILC could go to few % ie
test composite Higgs up to $4\pi f \sim 30 \text{ TeV}$)

Composite Higgs search @ LHC

Espinosa, Grojean, Muehlleitner '10

the modification of Higgs couplings and BRs affects the Higgs search

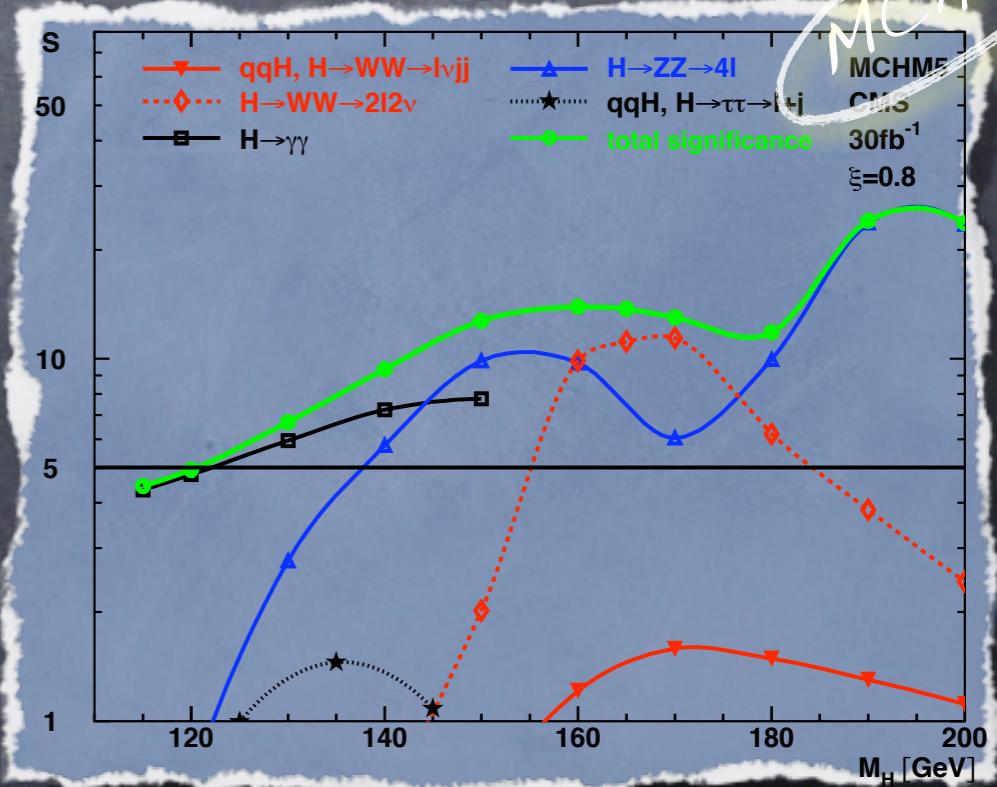
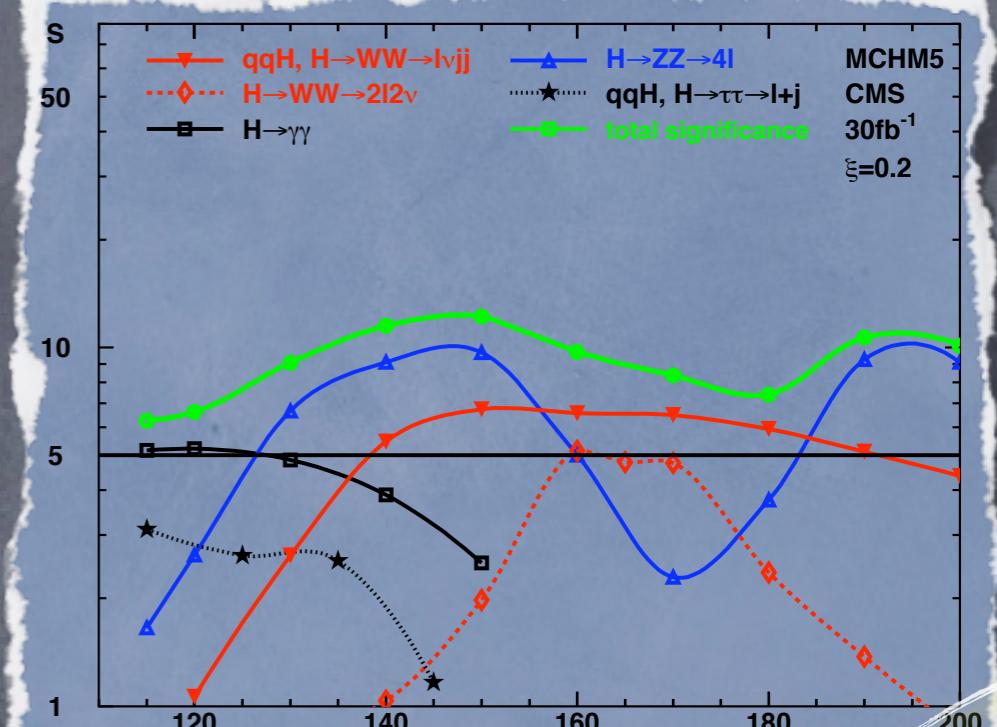
SM



large
compositeness scale

signal significance
for $L=30/\text{fb}$

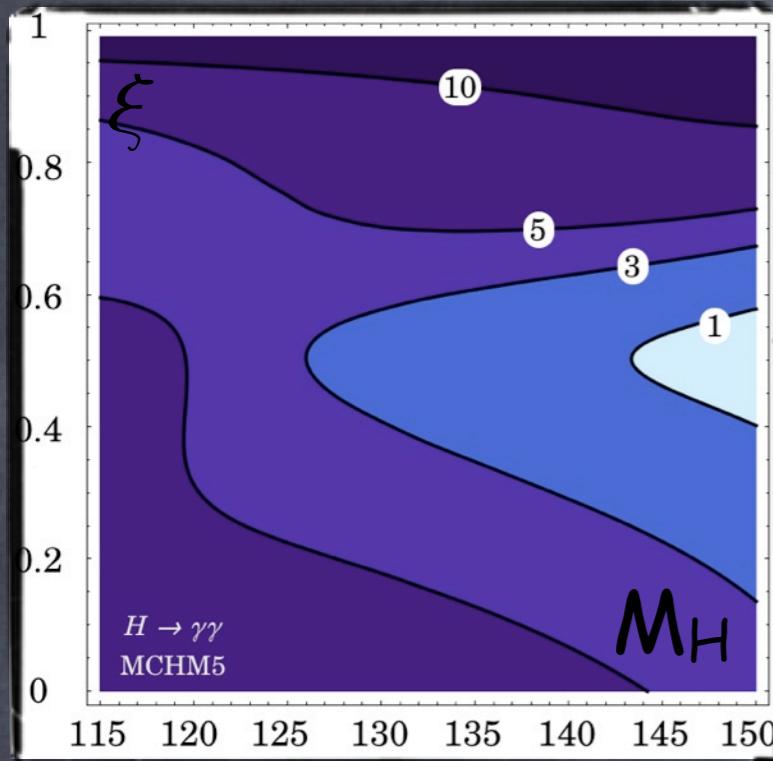
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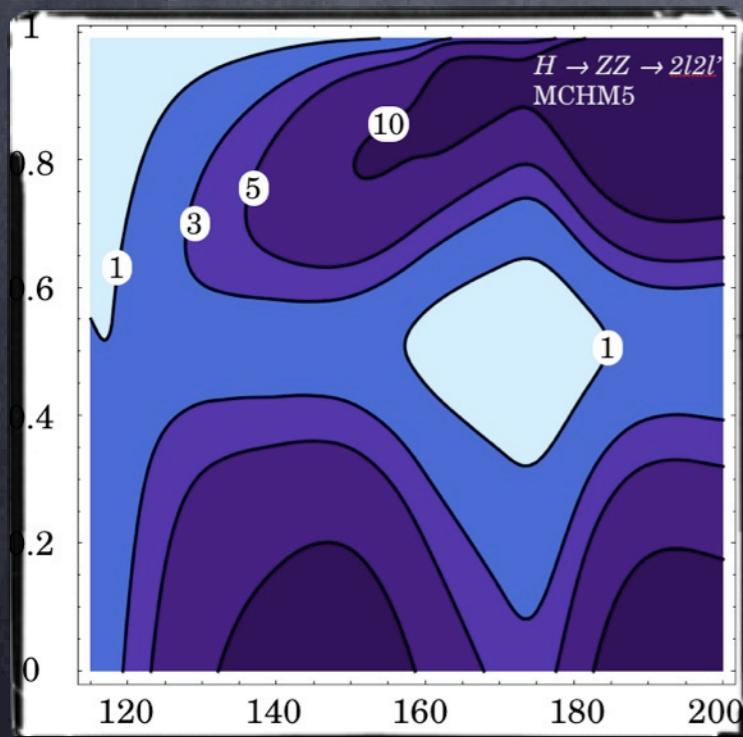
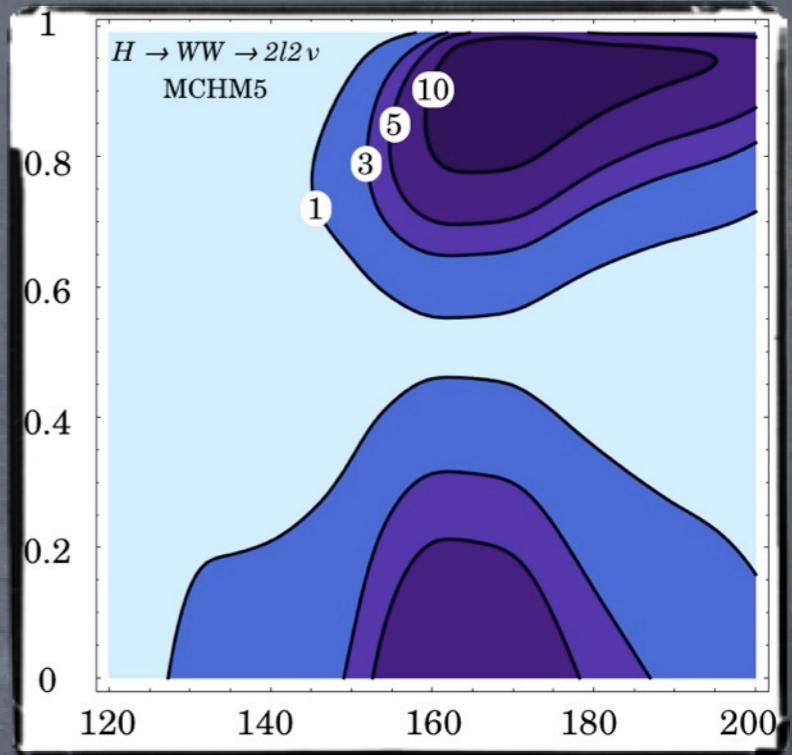
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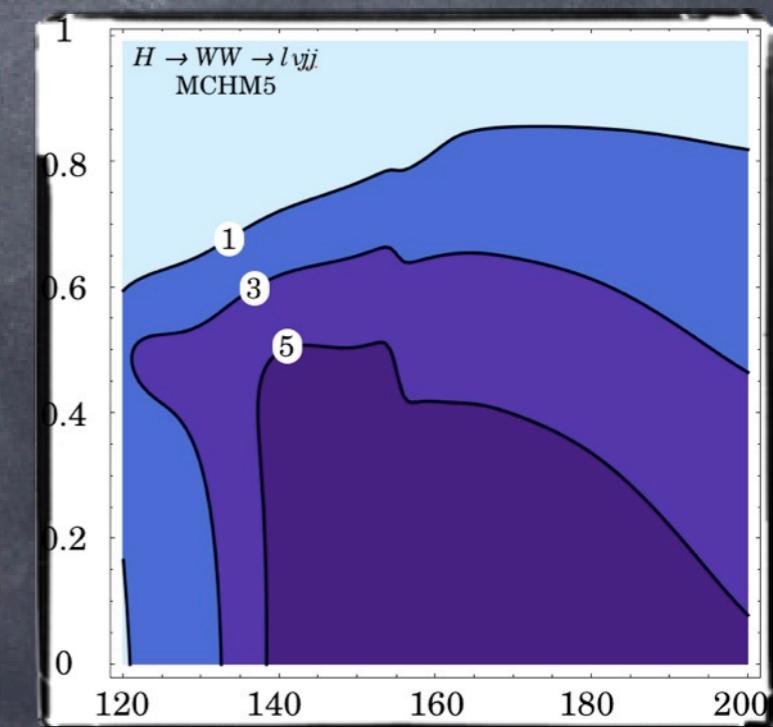
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contour lines of
signal significance
for $L=30/\text{fb}$
in the (ξ, M_H) plane

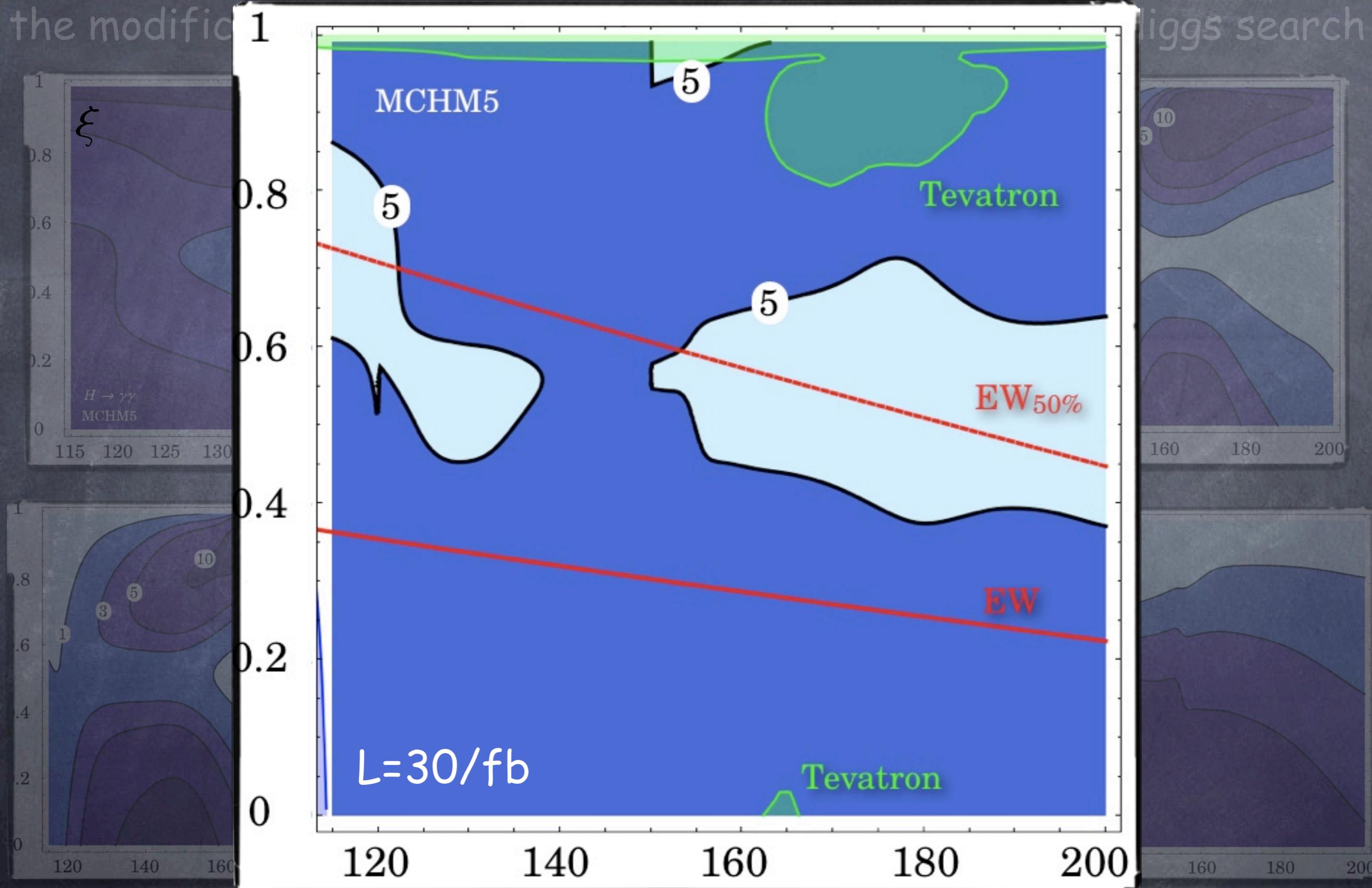


(neglect effects from heavy resonances)



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Strong WW scattering

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

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

no exact cancellation
of the growing amplitudes

Even with a light Higgs, growing amplitudes (at least up to m_ρ)

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

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{LET}}(s, t, u) = \frac{s}{v^2}$$

LET=SM-Higgs

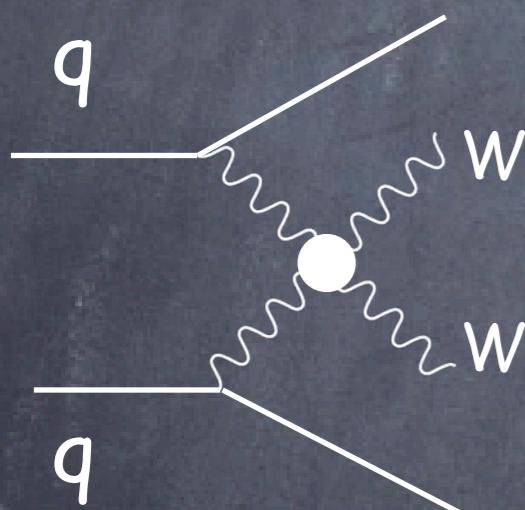
$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{A}_\xi = \xi \mathcal{A}$$

Beyond the Higgs

Strong WW scattering @ LHC

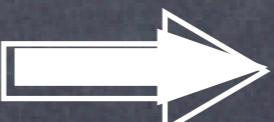
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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{A}(Z_L^0 Z_L^0 \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-) &= \mathcal{A}(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow Z_L^0 Z_L^0) = -\mathcal{A}(W_L^\pm W_L^\pm \rightarrow W_L^\pm W_L^\pm) = \frac{c_H s}{f^2} \\ \mathcal{A}(W^\pm Z_L^0 \rightarrow W^\pm Z_L^0) &= \frac{c_H t}{f^2}, \quad \mathcal{A}(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^-) = \frac{c_H(s+t)}{f^2} \\ \mathcal{A}(Z_L^0 Z_L^0 \rightarrow Z_L^0 Z_L^0) &= 0\end{aligned}$$



$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow V_L V_L X)_\xi = \xi^2 \sigma(pp \rightarrow V_L V_L X)_{\text{LET}}$$

leptonic vector decay channels
forward jet-tag, back-to-back lepton, central jet-veto



Bagger et al '95
Butterworth et al. '02

	LET($\xi = 1$)	SM bckg
ZZ	4.5	2.1
$W^+ W^-$	15.0	36
$W^\pm Z$	9.6	14.7
$W^\pm W^\pm$	39	11.1

$\mathcal{L} = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Scale of Strong WW scattering?

$$\mathcal{A}_{TT \rightarrow TT} \sim g^2 f(t/s)$$

f is a rational fct
expected $O(1)$ for $t \sim -s/2$

$$\mathcal{A}_{LL \rightarrow LL} \sim \frac{s}{v^2}$$

onset of strong scattering at the weak scale

hard cross-section

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma_{LL \rightarrow LL}/dt}{d\sigma_{TT \rightarrow TT}/dt} \right|_{t \sim -s/2} = N_h \frac{s^2}{M_W^4}$$

'inclusive' cross-section
 $(-s + Q_{\min}^2 < t < -Q_{\min}^2)$

$$\frac{\sigma_{LL \rightarrow LL}(Q_{\min})}{\sigma_{TT \rightarrow TT}(Q_{\min})} = N_s \frac{s Q_{\min}^2}{M_W^4}$$

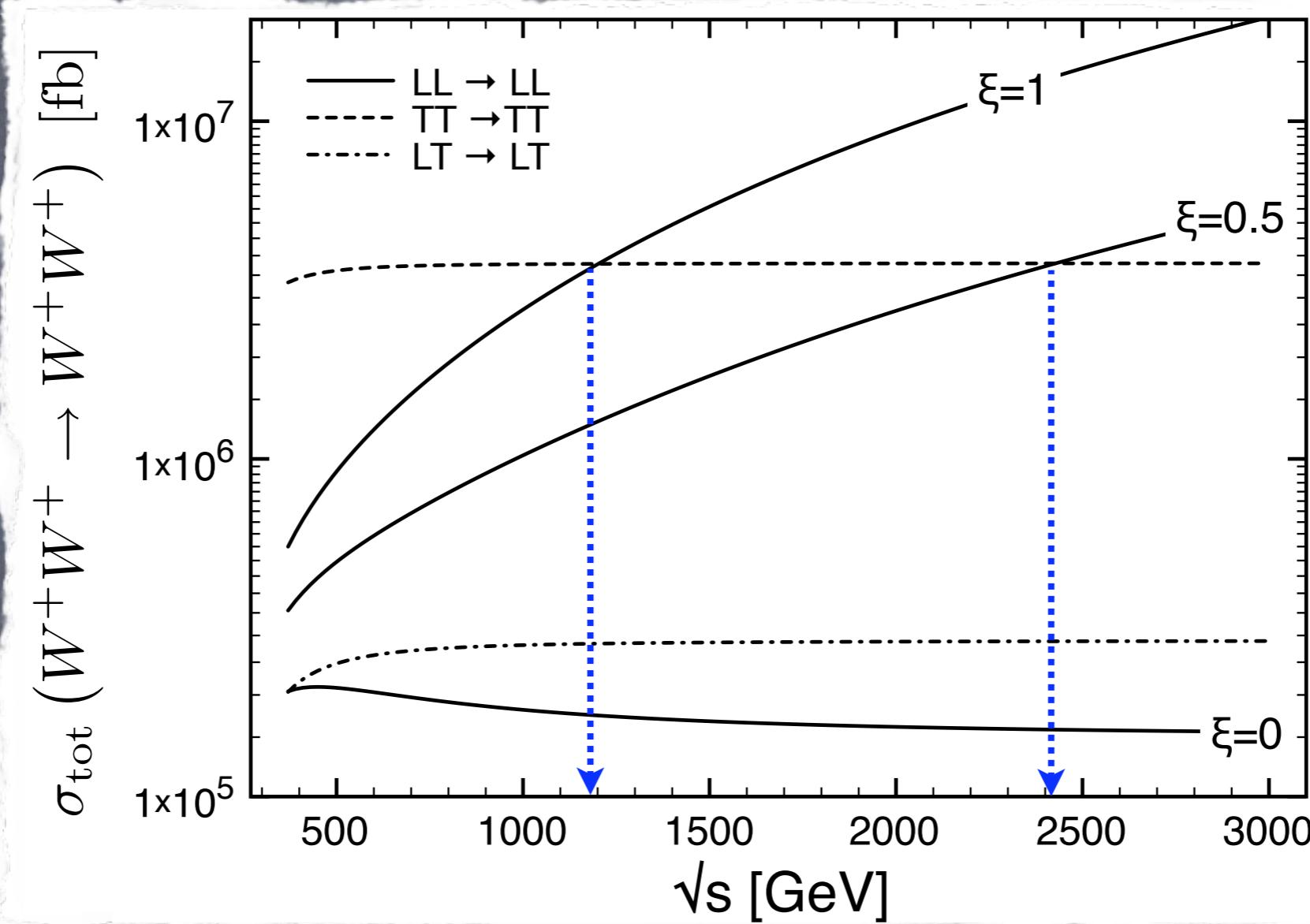
$$N_h \sim 1$$

NDA estimates

$$N_s \sim 1$$

Total cross sections

disentangling L from T polarization is hard



The onset of strong scattering is delayed to larger energies due to
the dominance of $TT \rightarrow TT$ background

The dominance of T background will be further enhanced by the pdfs
since the luminosity of W_T inside the proton is $\log(E/M_W)$ enhanced

Coulomb enhancement (SM)

the total cross section is dominated by the poles
in the exchange of γ and Z in the t- and u-channels

$$W^+ W^+ \rightarrow W^+ W^+$$

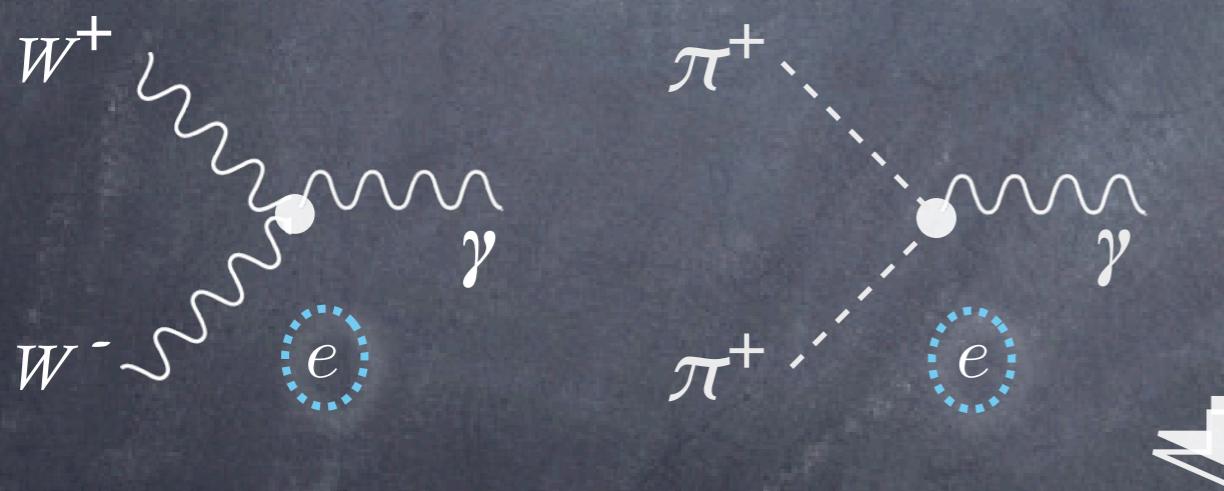
$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{a_\gamma^t s}{t} + \frac{a_Z^t s}{t - M_Z^2} + \frac{a_\gamma^u s}{u} + \frac{a_Z^u s}{u - M_Z^2} + \dots \Rightarrow \sigma \sim \frac{1}{16\pi} \left(\frac{{a_\gamma^t}^2 + {a_\gamma^u}^2}{M_\gamma^2} + \frac{{a_Z^t}^2 + {a_Z^u}^2}{M_\gamma^2 + M_Z^2} \right)$$

M_γ = régulateur of Coulomb singularity=off-shellness of $W \sim M_W$

eikonal limit

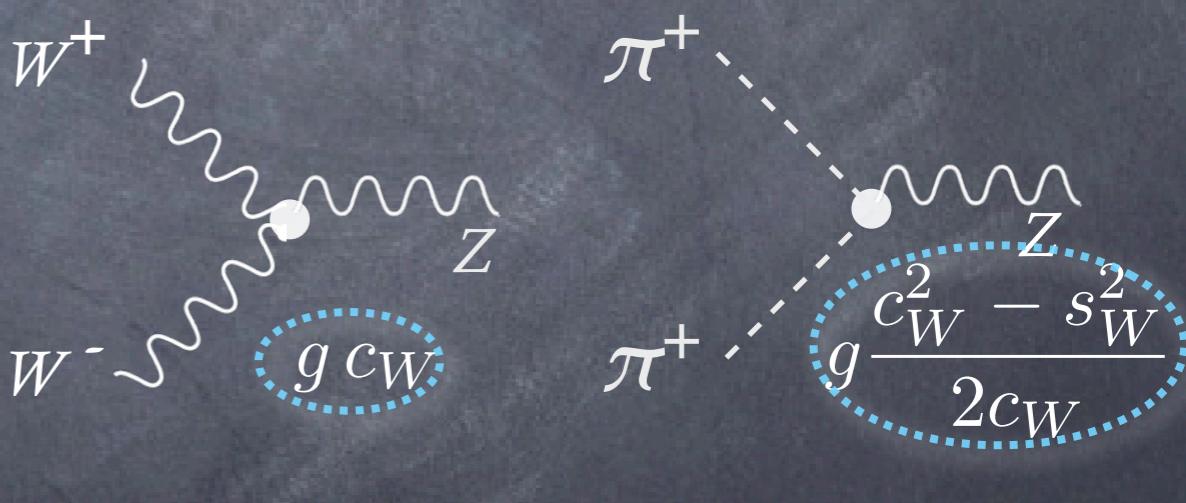
$$a_\gamma = 2 \cdot (\text{electric charge of } W^+)^2$$

universal for T and L



$$a_Z = 2 \cdot (\text{"SU(2) charge" of } W^+)^2$$

different for T and L



SM

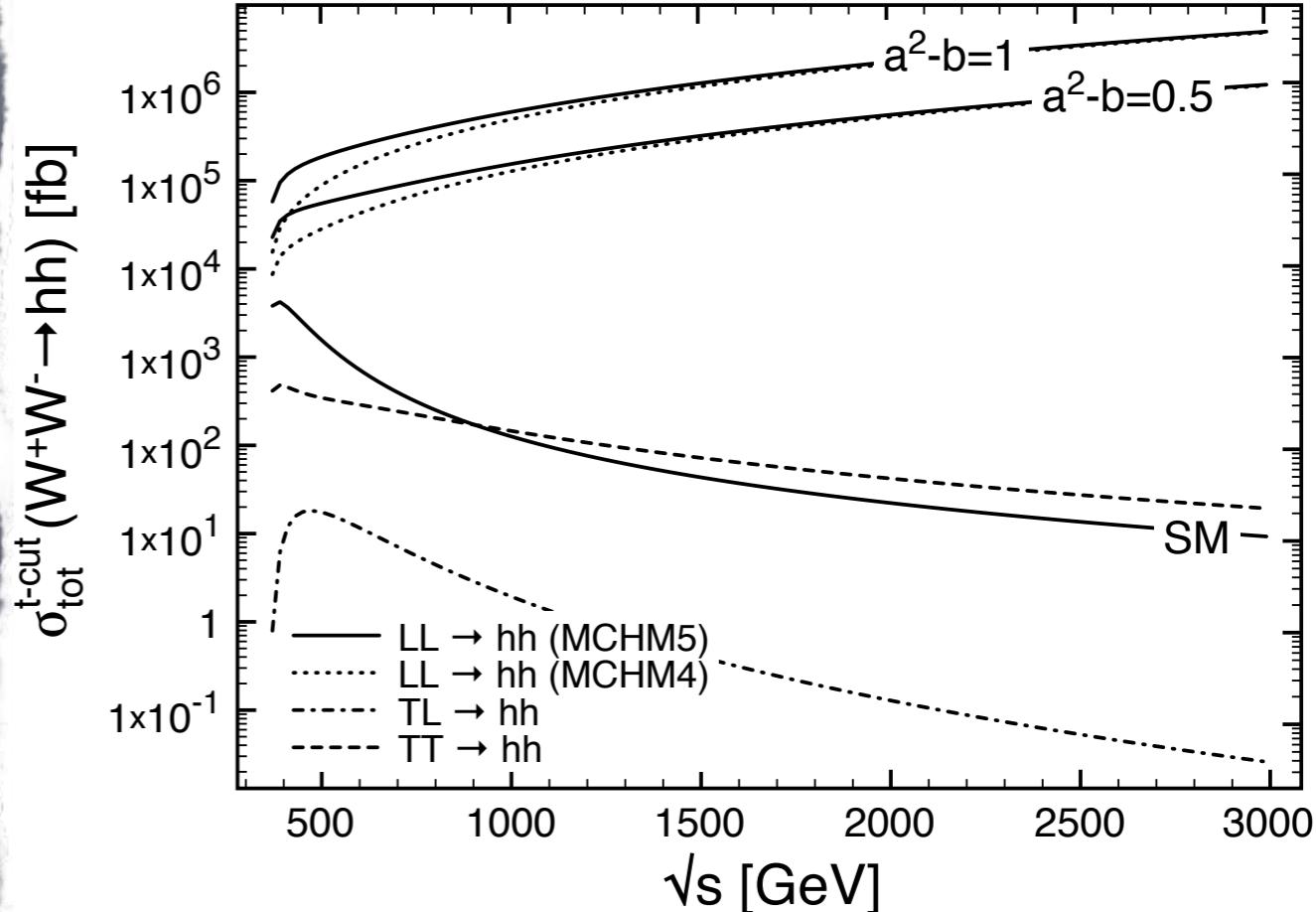
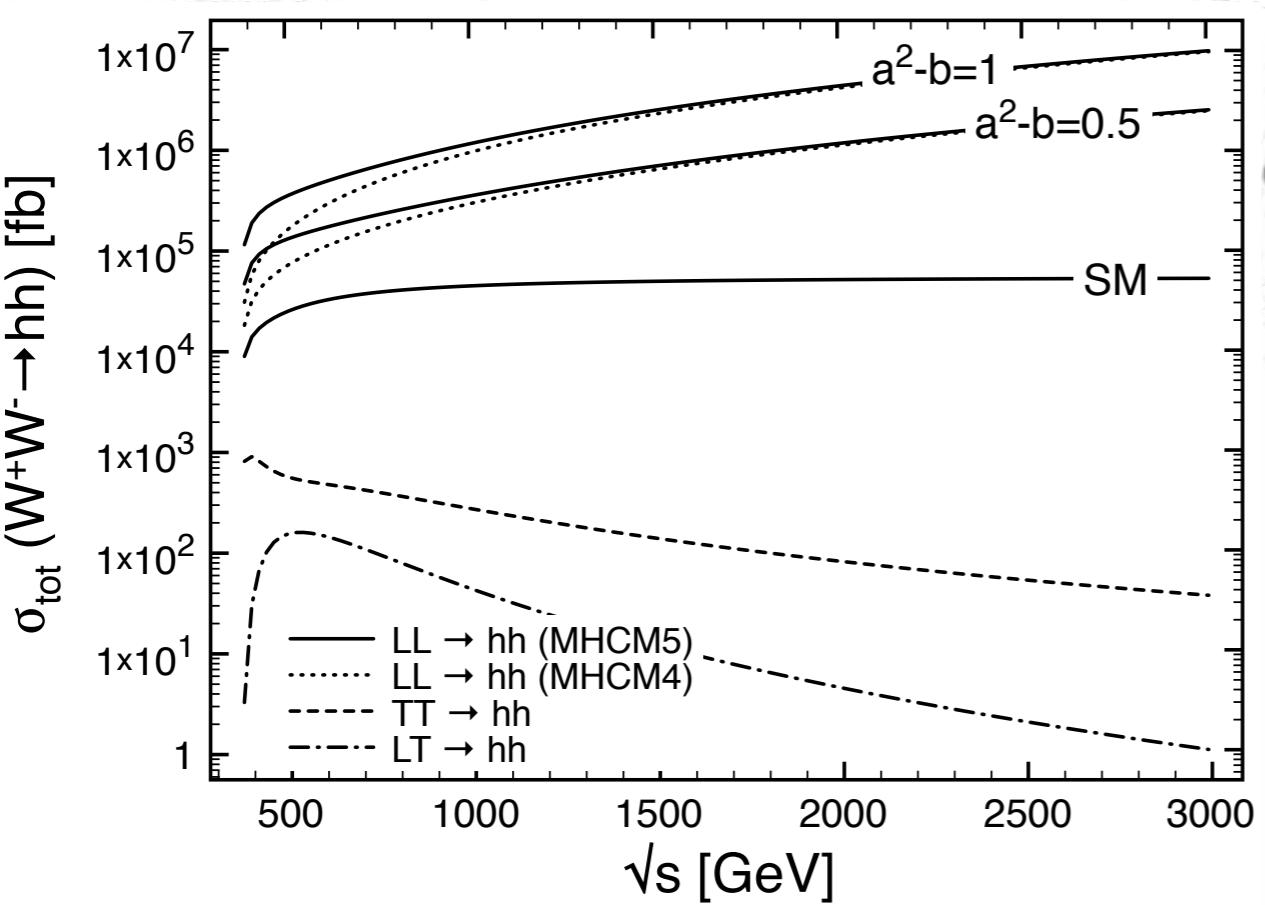
$$\frac{\sigma_{TT \rightarrow TT}}{\sigma_{LL \rightarrow LL}} \sim 20$$

(for $M_\gamma \sim M_Z$)

$$N_s \sim 1/500$$

⇒ T-dominance is the result of multiplicity and larger SU(2) charges ⇐

EW bckg for $WW \rightarrow hh$



$$\frac{d\sigma^{LL \rightarrow hh}/dt}{d\sigma^{TT \rightarrow hh}/dt} = \frac{1}{8} \frac{\xi^2}{\xi^2 + (1 - \xi)^2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{M_W} \right)^4$$

no T polarization pollution,
neither in the total cross section,
nor in the central region

Strong Higgs production: (3L+jets) analysis

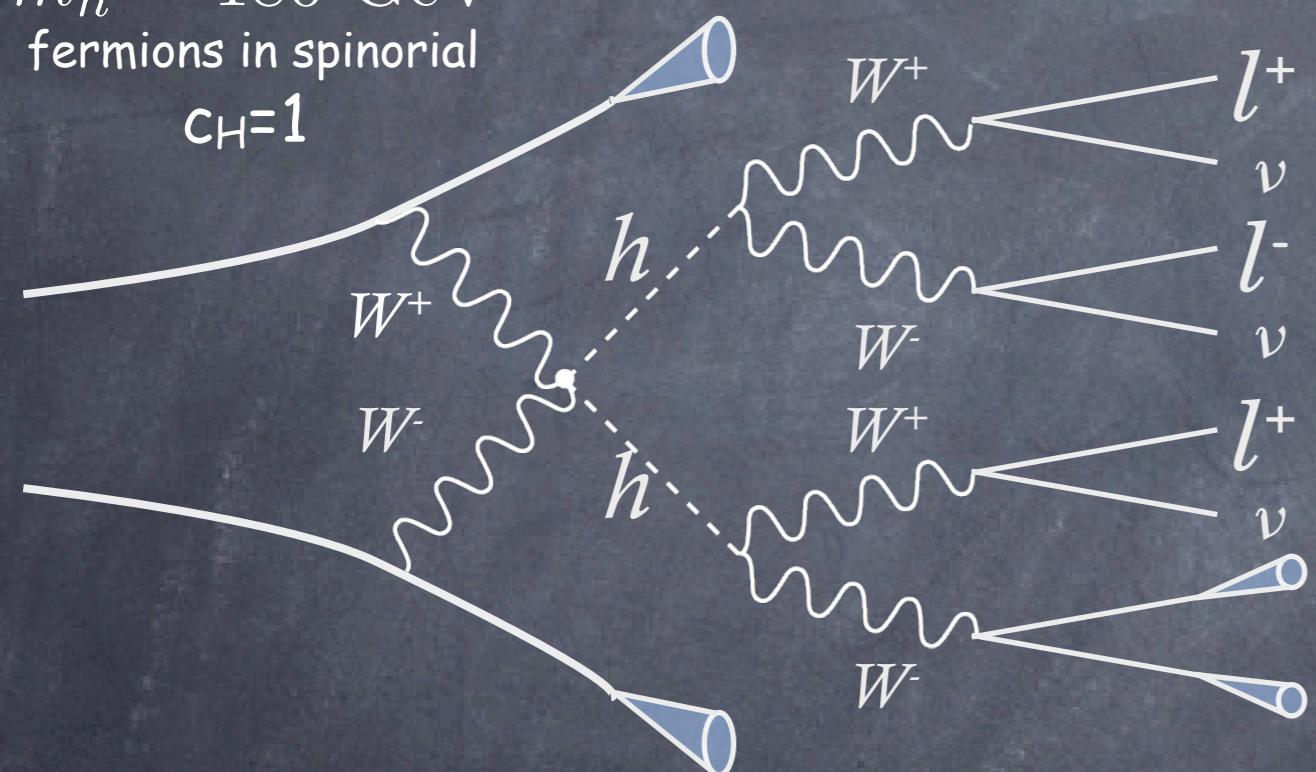
Contino, Grojean, Moretti, Piccinini, Rattazzi '10

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
$\delta R_{jj} > 0.7$	$\delta R_{lj(l\bar{l})} > 0.4(0.2)$
$ \eta_j \leq 5$	$ \eta_j \leq 2.4$

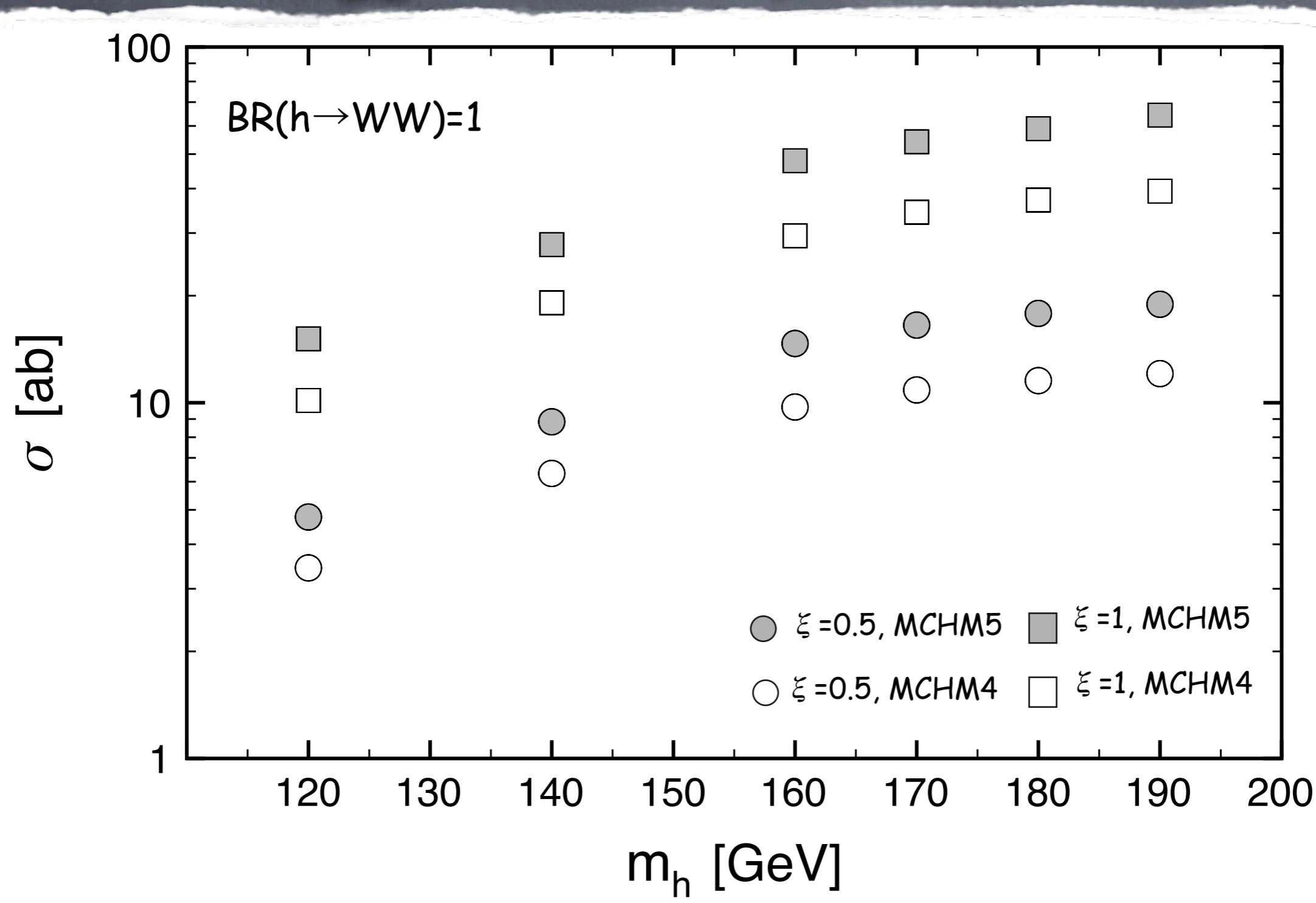
Dominant backgrounds: $Wl\bar{l}4j$, $t\bar{t}W2j$, $t\bar{t}2W(j)$, $3W4j\dots$

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

v/f	1	$\sqrt{.8}$	$\sqrt{.5}$
significance (300 fb^{-1})	4.0	2.9	1.3
luminosity for 5σ	450	850	3500

◀ good motivation to SLHC

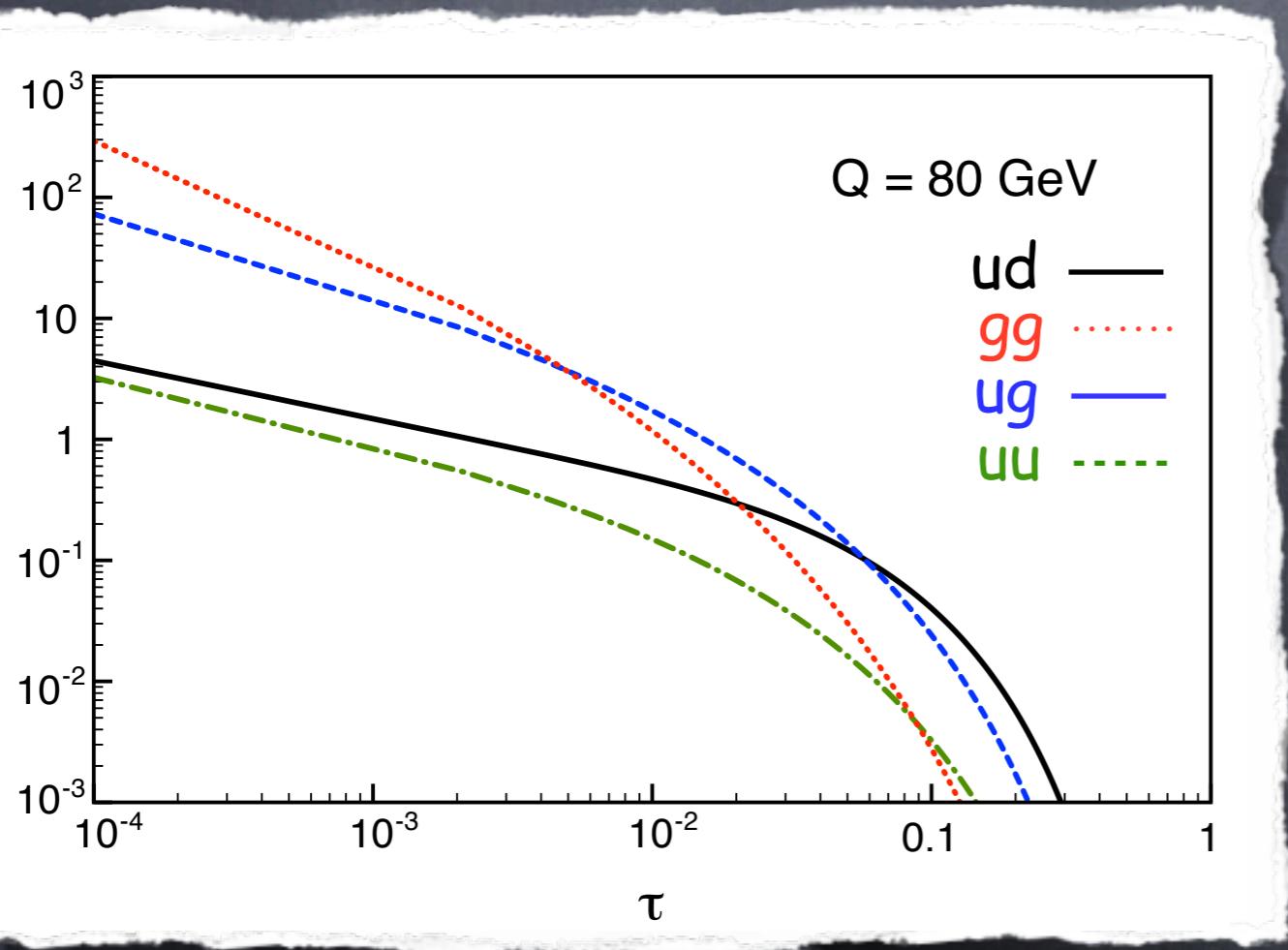
Higgs mass dependence



- production at threshold: $x_1 x_2 \sim 4m_h^2/s$ $\sigma \propto w/. m_h$
- lighter Higgs, softer decay products, less effective cuts $\sigma \propto w/. m_h$

Threshold production

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\hat{s}} = \frac{1}{\hat{s}} \hat{\sigma}(q_A q_B \rightarrow hh) \rho_{AB}(\hat{s}/s, Q^2)$$



$$\sigma = \hat{\sigma}(s_0) \times \int_{s_0} \frac{d\hat{s}}{\hat{s}} \frac{\hat{\sigma}(\hat{s})}{\hat{\sigma}(s_0)} \rho(\hat{s}/s)$$

integral is saturated at threshold



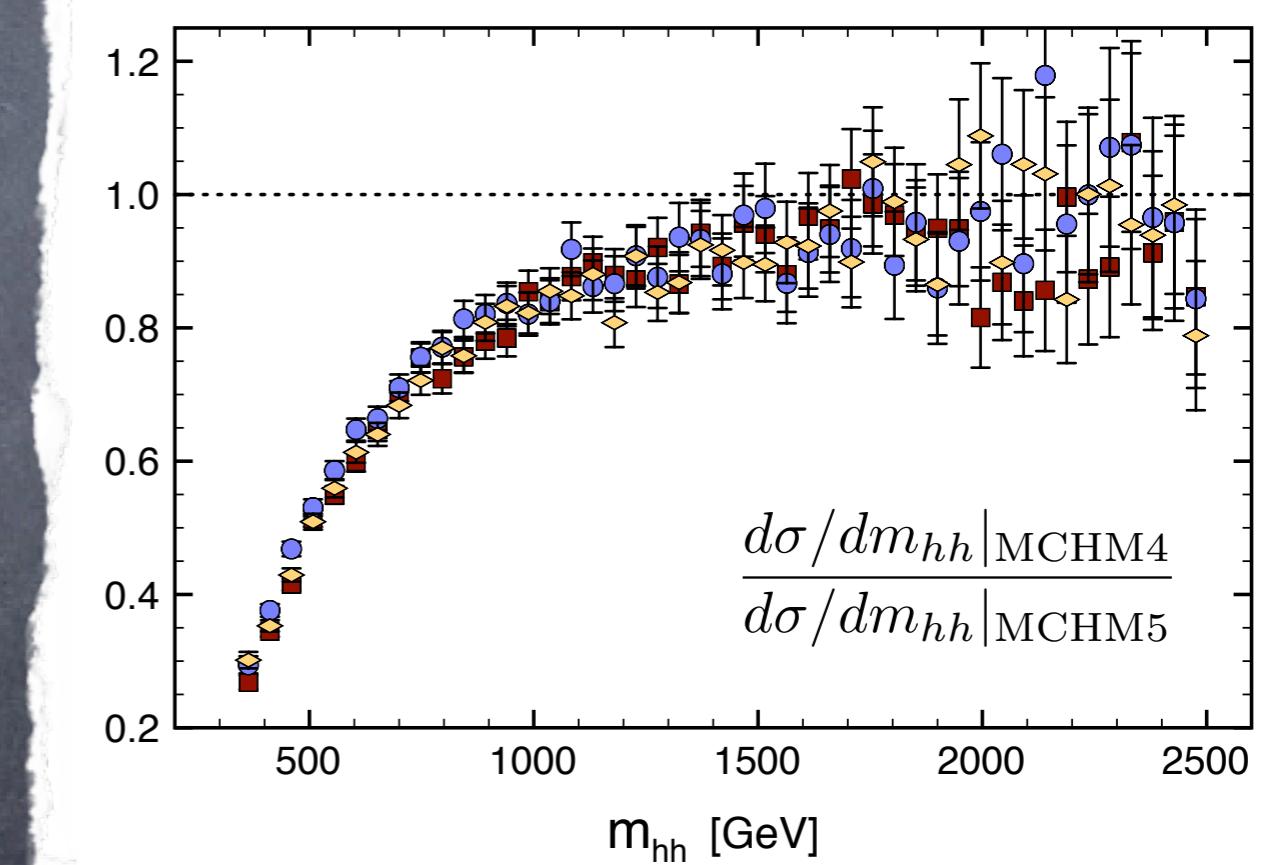
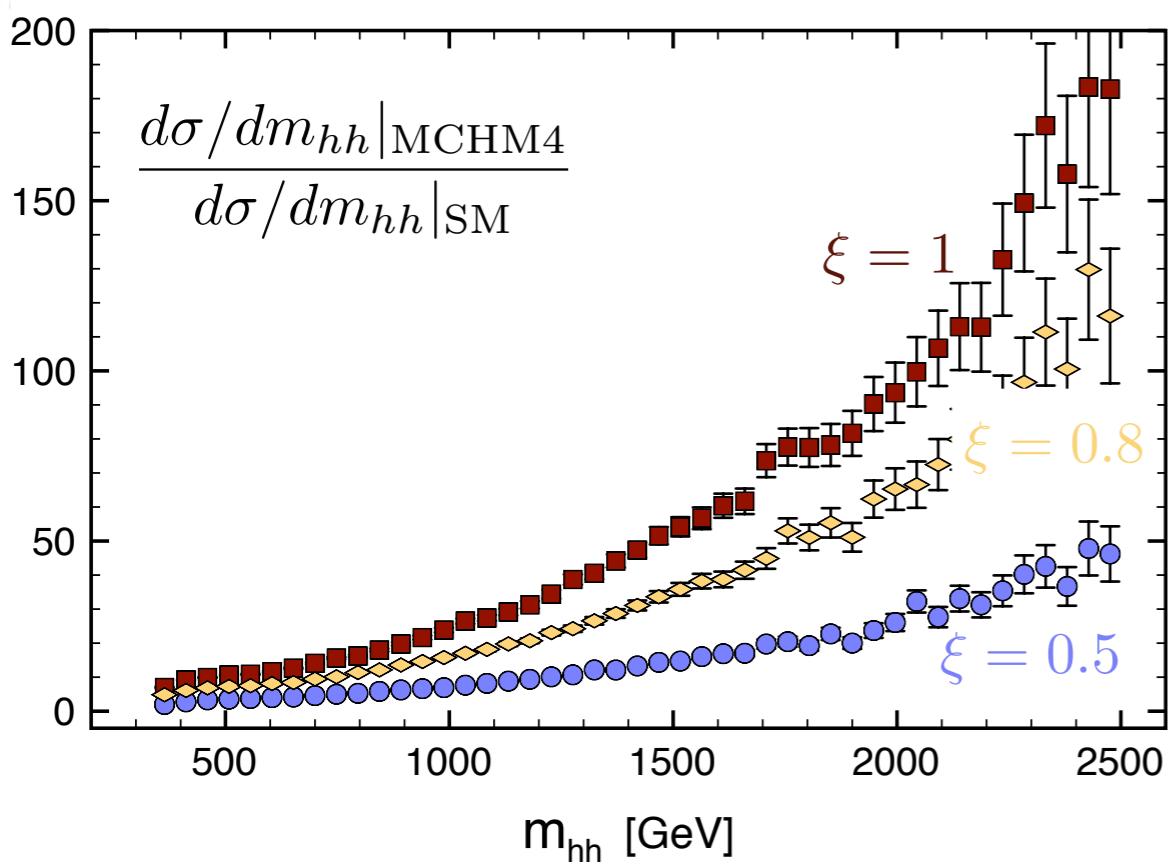
inclusive cross-section is not
probing the asymptotic regime of
hard scattering

sensitivity on Higgs self-coupling and not only on strong scattering ($b-a^2$)

Isolating Hard Scattering

isolate events with large m_{hh}

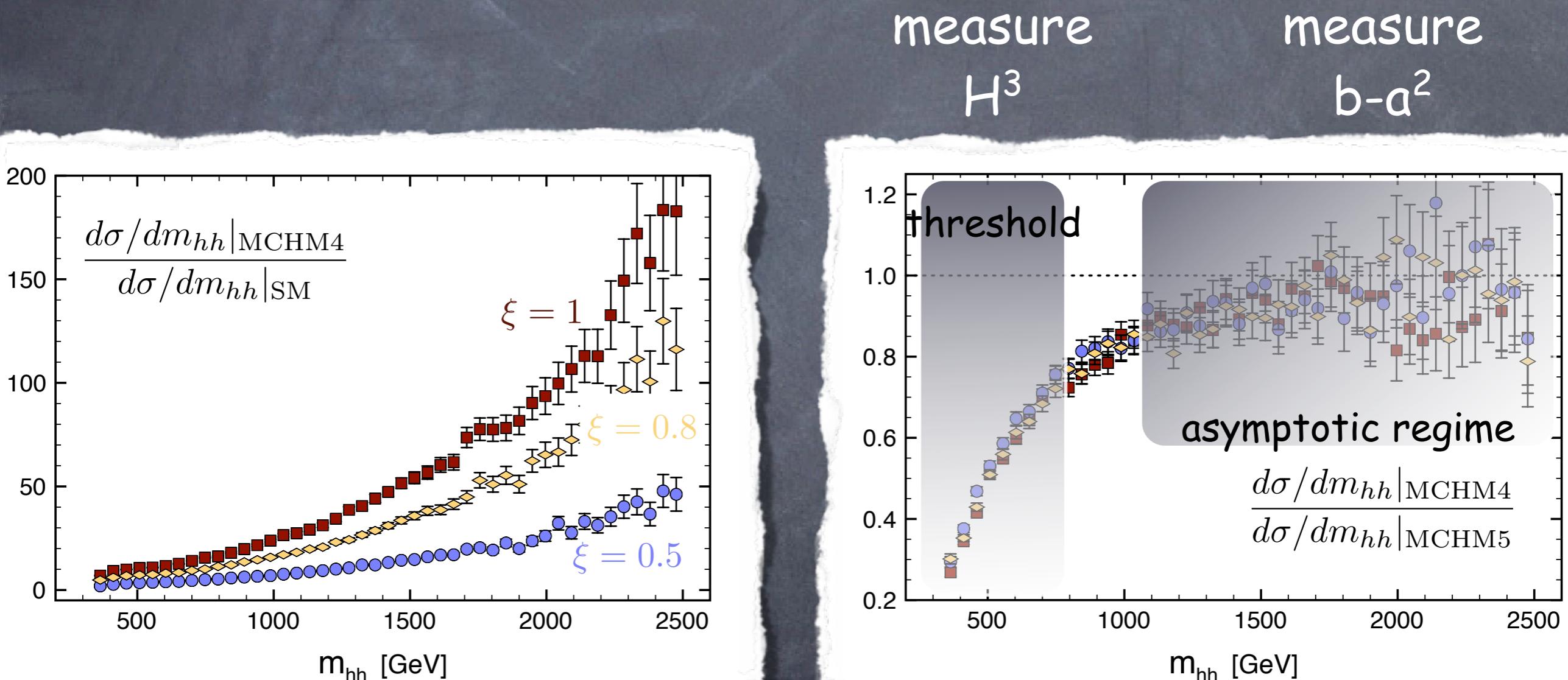
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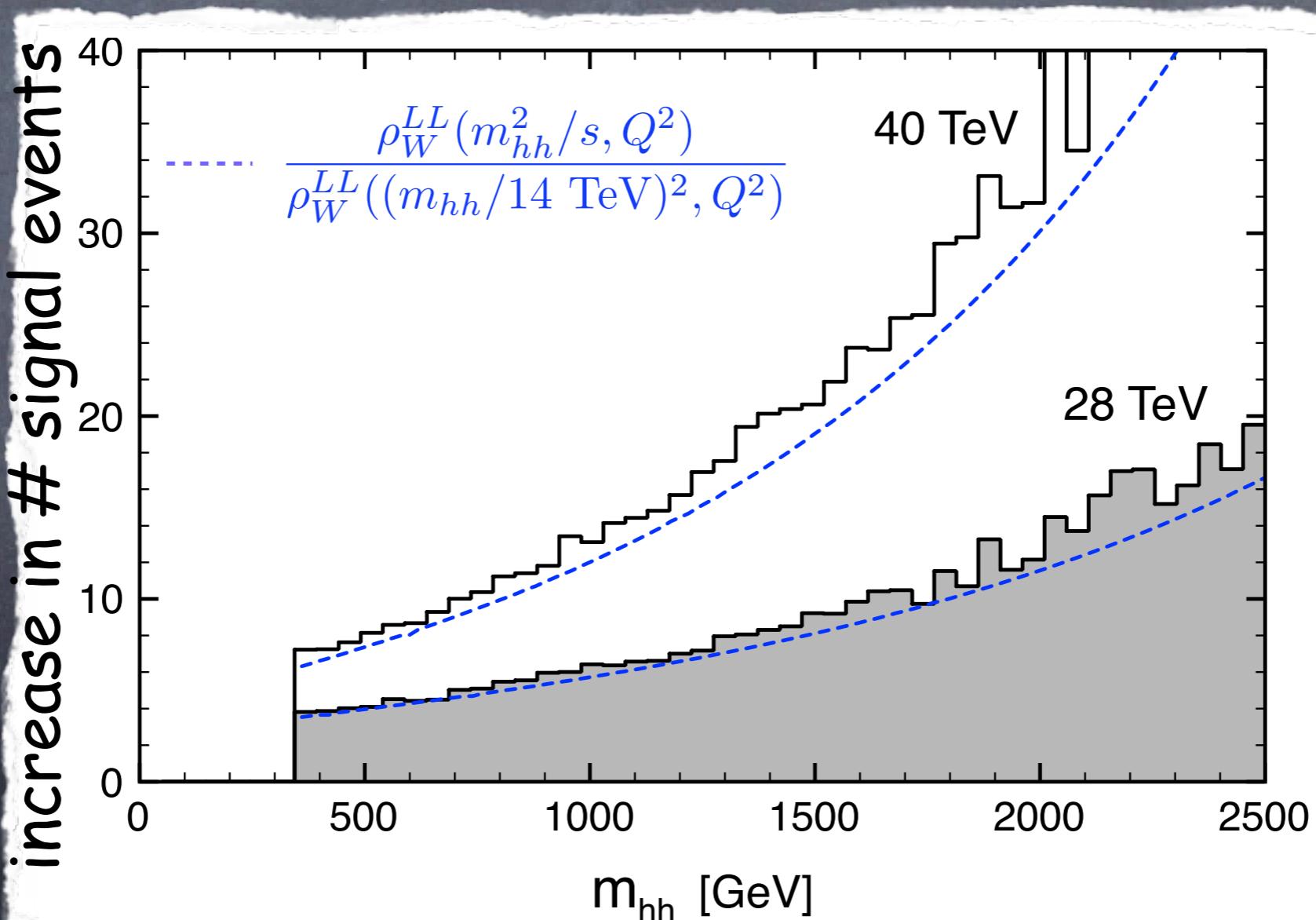
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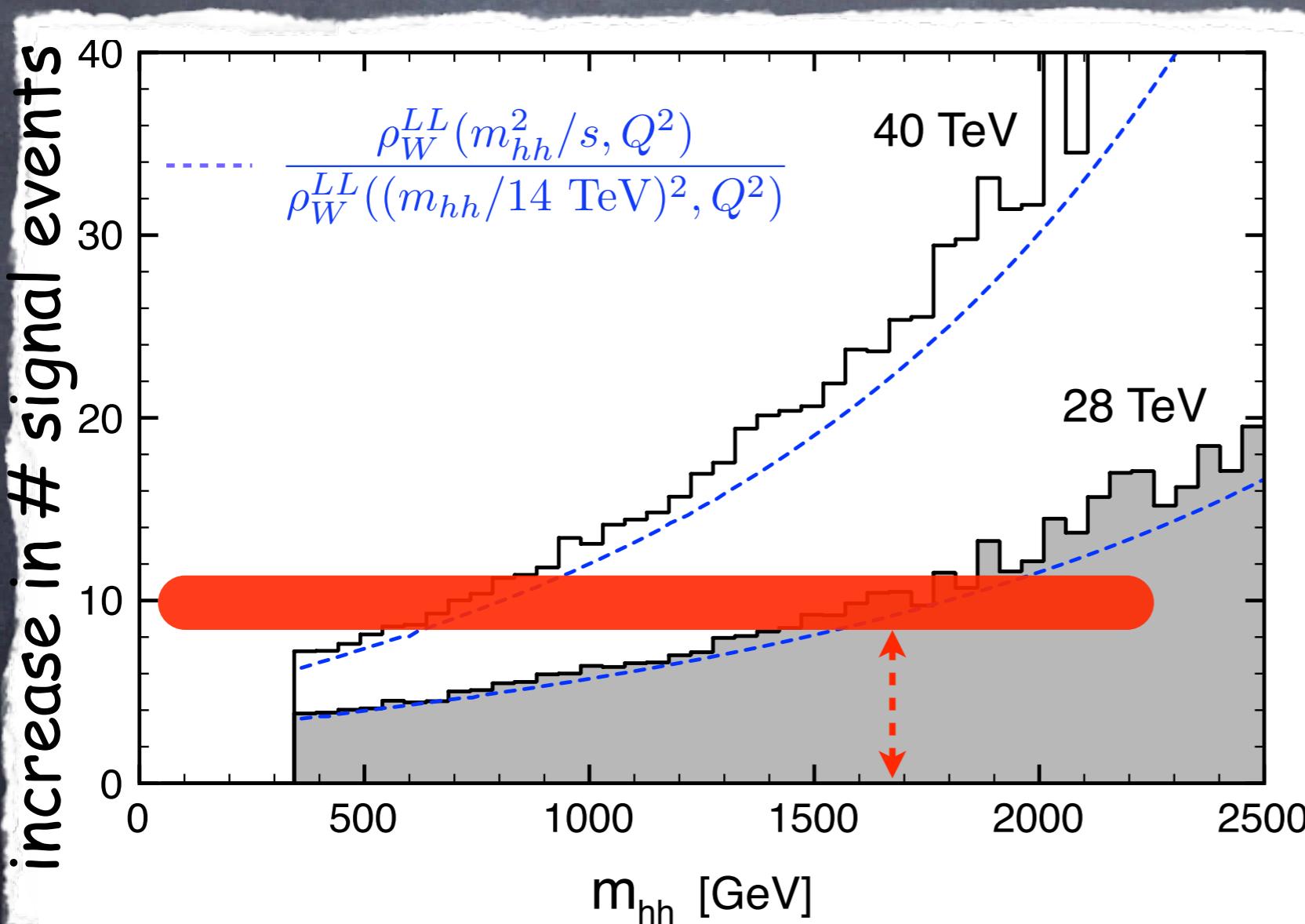
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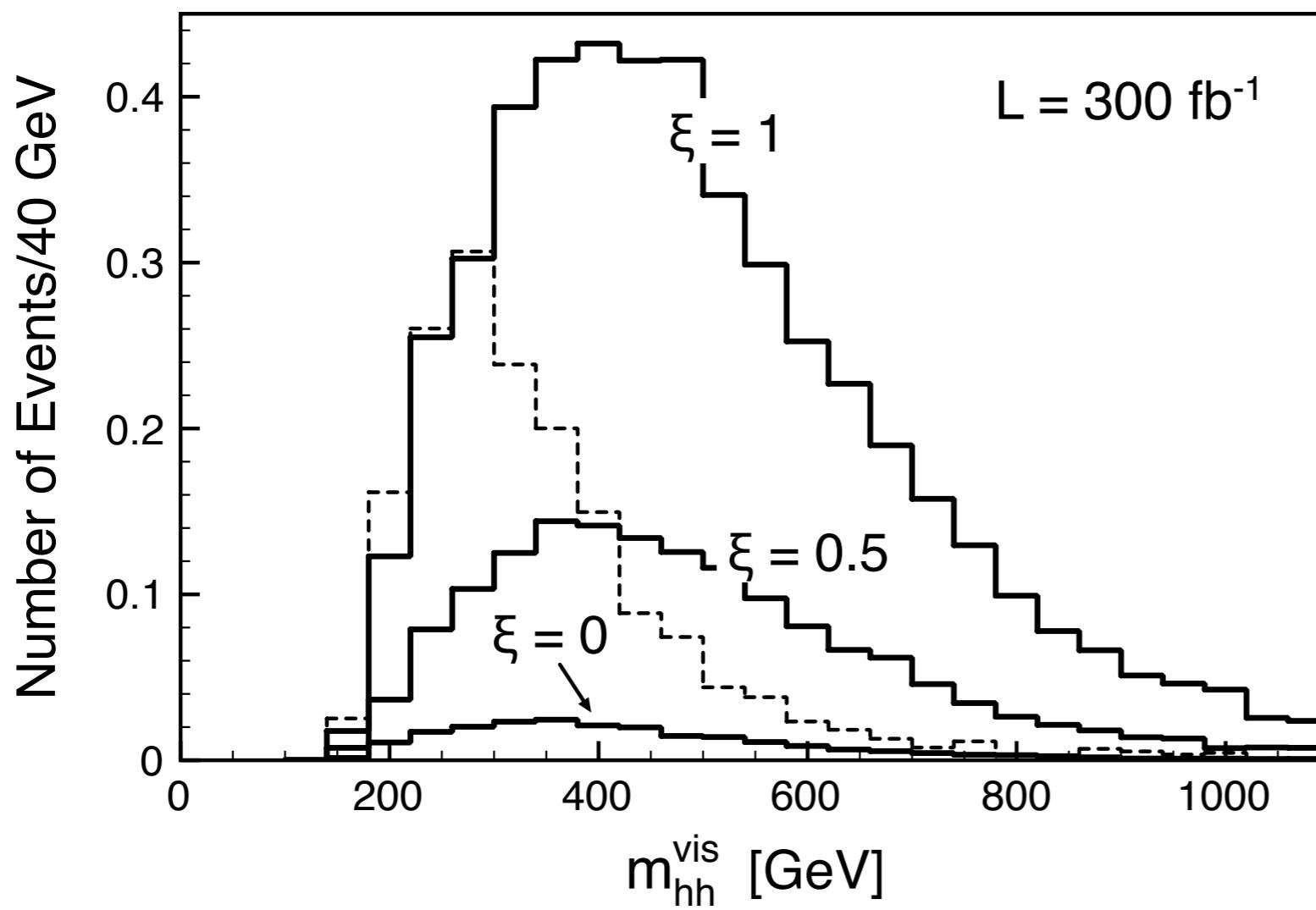
$10 \times \text{lum} = 10 \times \text{events}$

$2 \times \sqrt{s} = 10 \times \text{events}$
if $m_{hh} > 1.6 \text{ TeV}$

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iif $m_{hh} > 1.6 \text{ TeV}$

sLHC might be better

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 $\Leftrightarrow ?$

LHC is prepared to discover the "Higgs"
collaboration EXP-TH is important to make sure
e.g. that no unexpected physics (unparticle, hidden valleys) is missed (triggers, cuts...)

Should not forget that the LHC will be a (quark) top machine
and there are many reasons to believe that the top is an important agent of the Fermi scale