

Exploring extended Higgs sectors via pair production at the LHC

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Motivation

- Scalar fields acquire VEV (2HDM, GM, ...)

→ single production + decays to massive bosons/fermions

- Scalars do not acquire VEV: common scenario in composite Higgs models!

$SU(4)/Sp(4)$

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Goldstones

$SU(5)/SO(5)$

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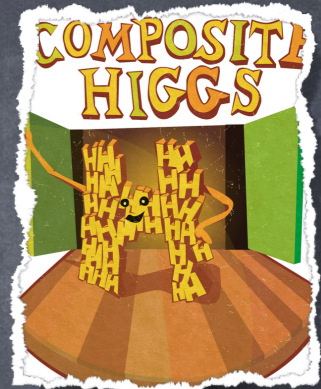
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→ vacuum alignment induces VEV for the 'Higgs' doublet only!



Composite Higgs models 101

How can light states emerge?

Top Loops

Gauge loops

TC-fermion masses



	Top Loops	Gauge loops	TC-fermion masses
ϕ	$\sim y_t^2 f^2$	$\sim g^2 f^2$	$\sim m_\psi f$
h (h massless for vanishing v)	$\sim y_t^2 f^2 s_\theta^2 = y_t^2 v^2$	$\sim g^2 f^2 s_\theta^2 = g^2 v^2$	X
a	X	X	$\sim m_\psi f$ This can be small!

The partial compositeness paradigm

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$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{fl.}}^{d-1}} \mathcal{O}_H q_L^c q_R \quad \Delta m_H^2 \sim \left(\frac{4\pi f}{\Lambda_{\text{fl.}}} \right)^{d-4} f^2 \quad \text{Both irrelevant if}$$

we assume: $d_H > 1$ $d_{H^2} > 4$

Let's postulate the existence of fermionic operators:

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{fl.}}^{d_F-5/2}} (\tilde{y}_L q_L \mathcal{F}_L + \tilde{y}_R q_R \mathcal{F}_R)$$

This dimension is not related to the Higgs!

$$f(y_L q_L Q_L + y_R q_R Q_R) \quad \text{with} \quad y_{L/R} f \sim \left(\frac{4\pi f}{\Lambda_{\text{fl.}}} \right)^{d_F-5/2} 4\pi f$$

Composite models at various scales

Planck scale

HC and SM gauge groups partially unified

Symmetry breaking by scalars

4-fermion Ops generated!

Conformal window (large scaling dimensions)

Low energy model + additional fermions

10 TeV

Condensation scale

Usual low energy description of composite Higgs models

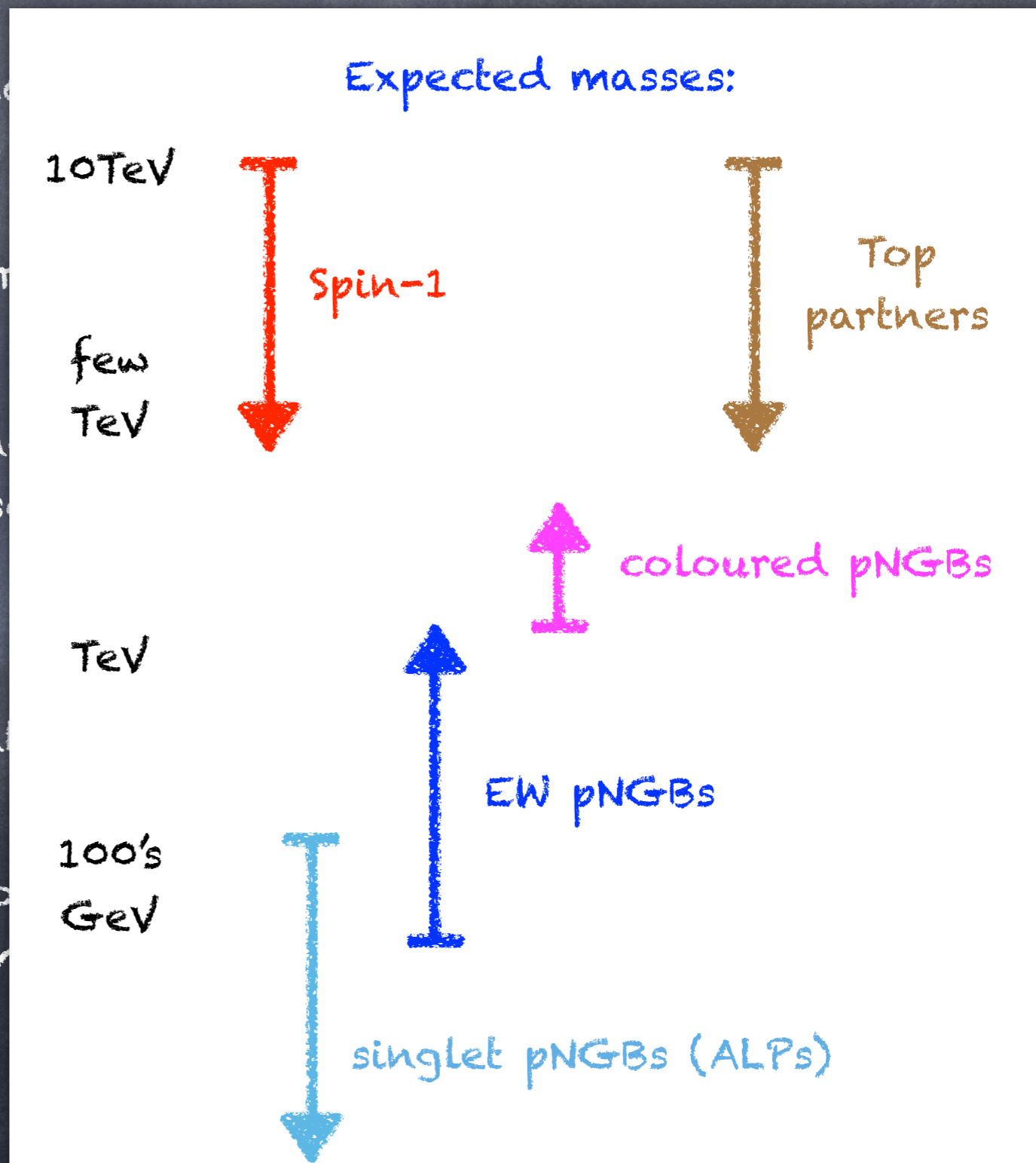
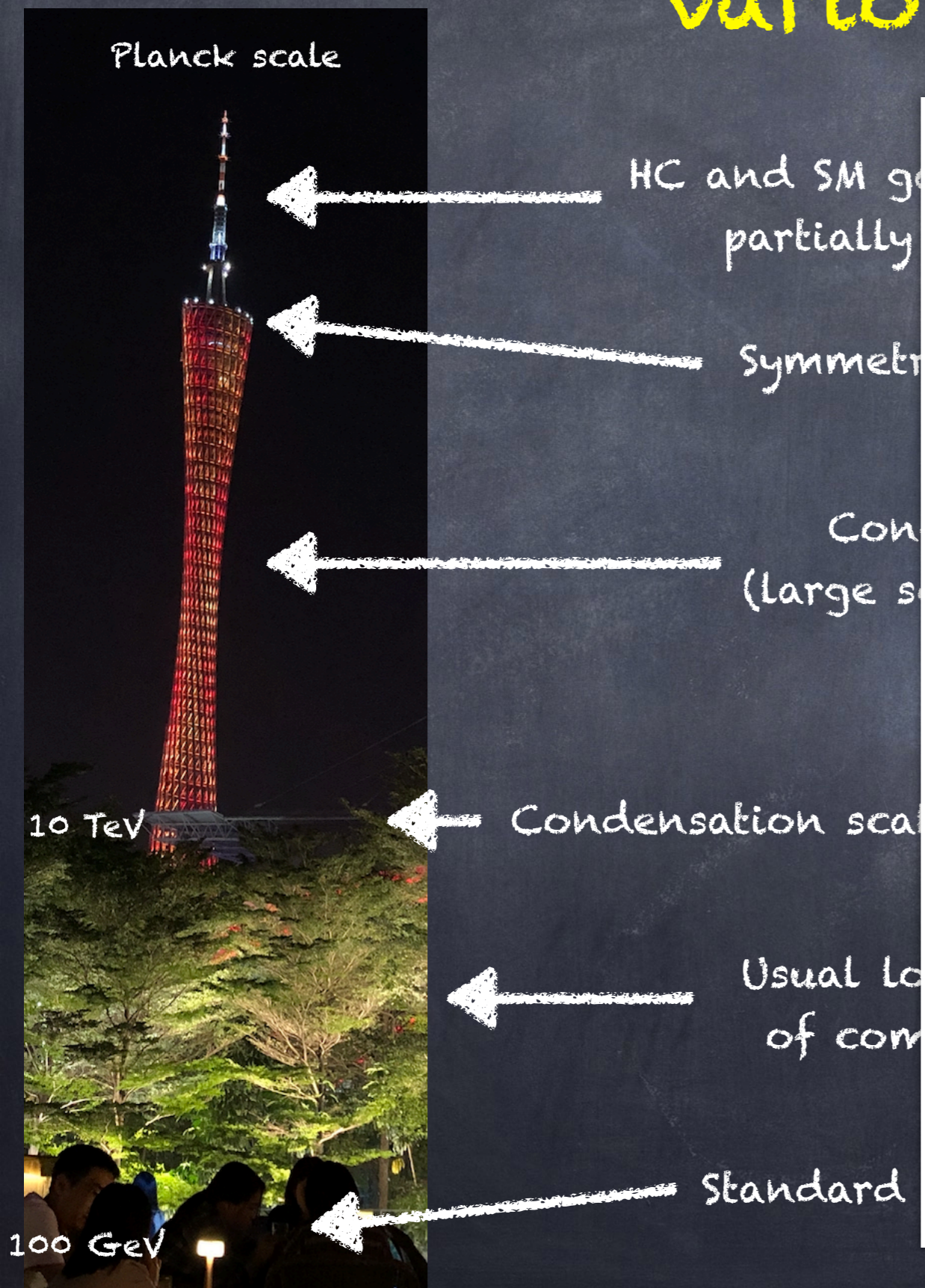
Phenomenology accessible to colliders

Standard Model

100 GeV



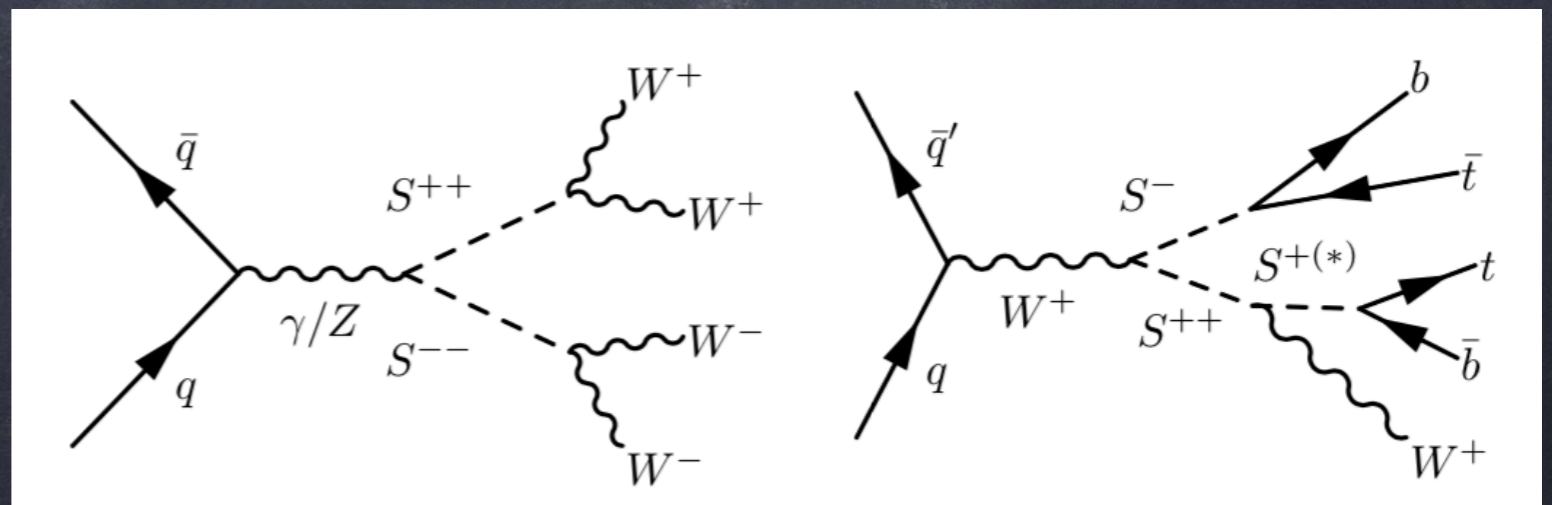
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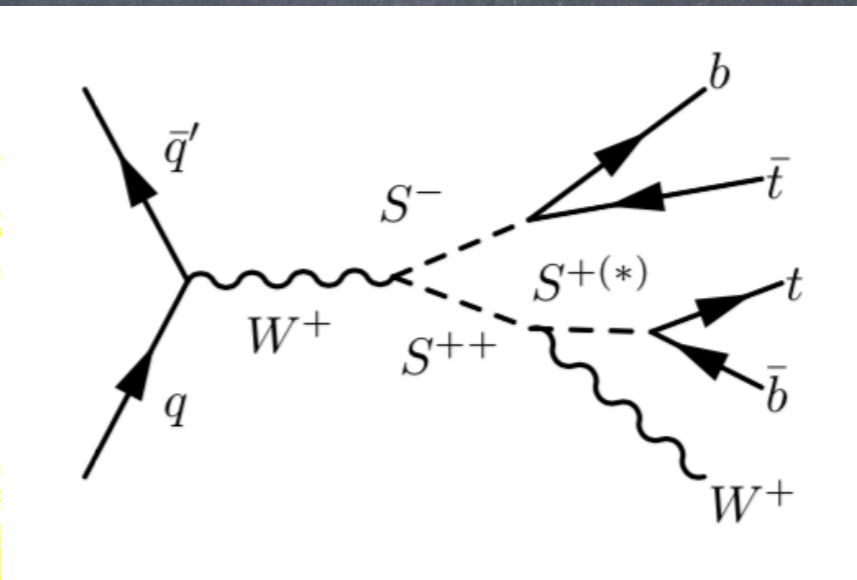
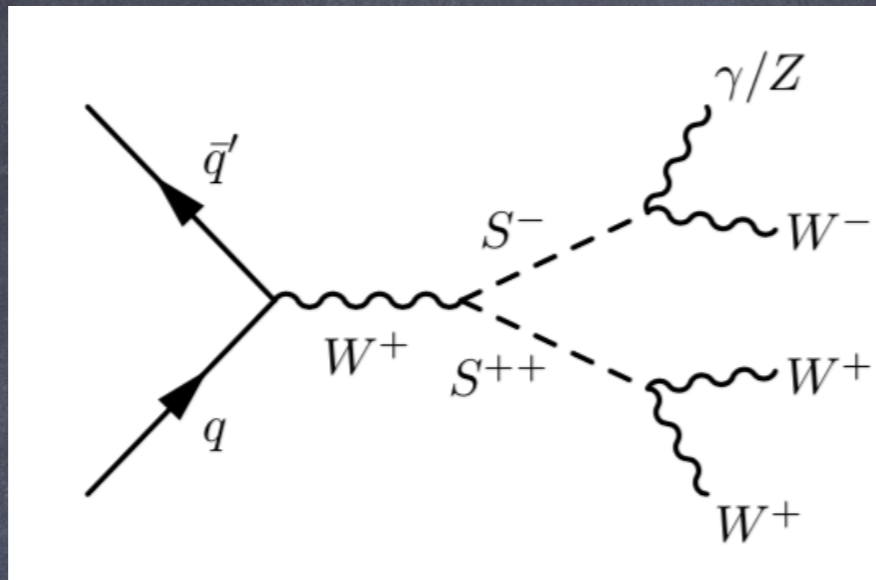
EW pNGB direct production

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- Dominantly pair-produced via EW gauge interactions
- Couplings to two EW gauge bosons via WZW (including photons!!!)
- Couplings to two fermions via partial compositeness
- Few dedicated direct searches (WWWW and WWWZ via doubly-charged scalar)



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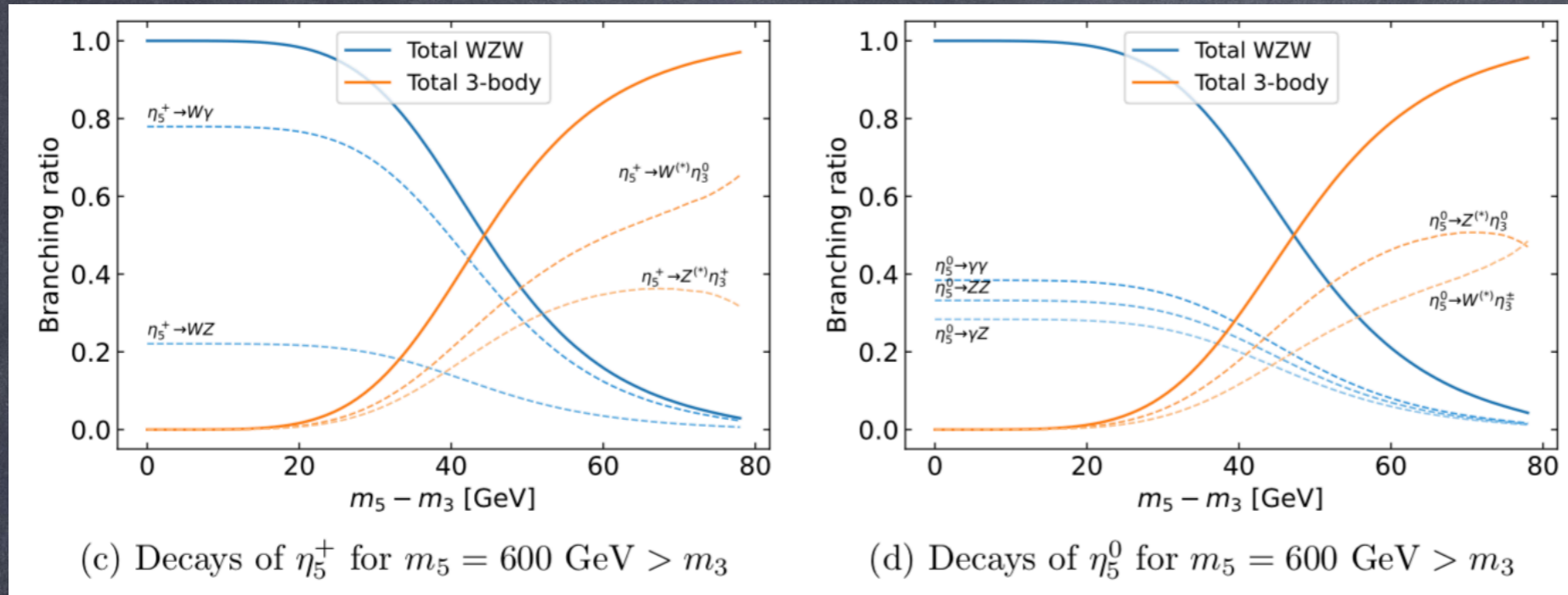
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- Decays to two GBs from WZW anomaly
- Very small couplings
- Cascade decays can be competitive
- Photon-rich final states!

- Typically sizeable couplings to top and bottom
- Always dominate if present!
- They may be absent - model dependence!

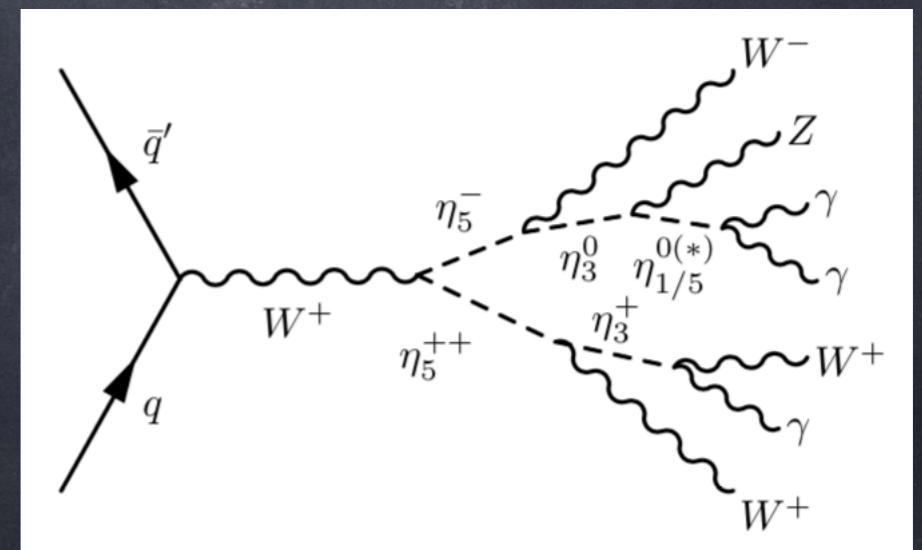
Fermio-phobic SU(5)/SO(5) model

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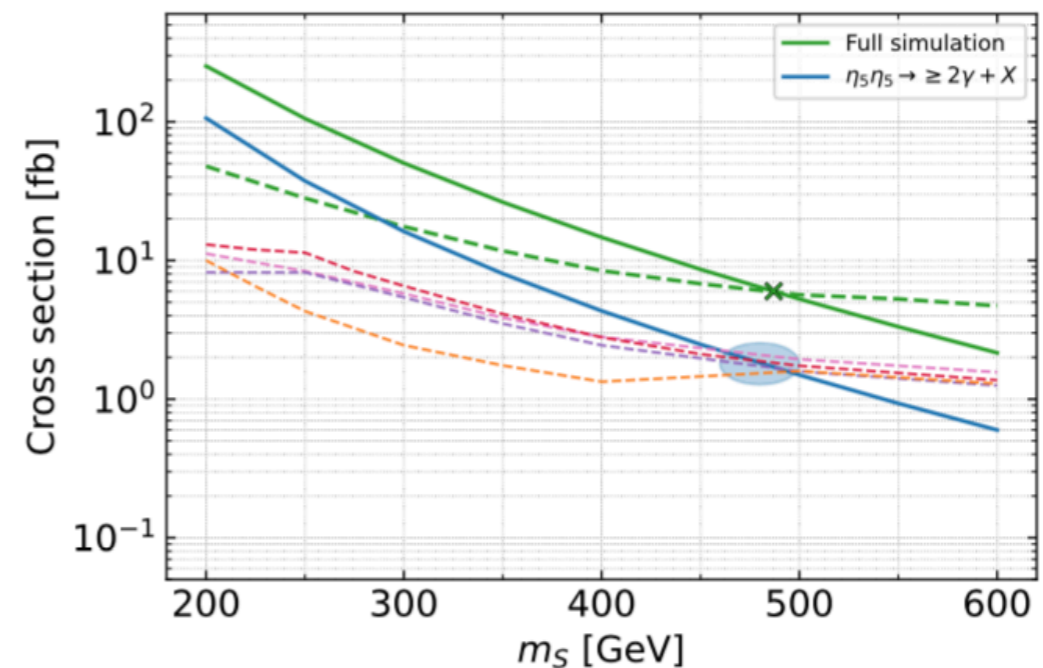
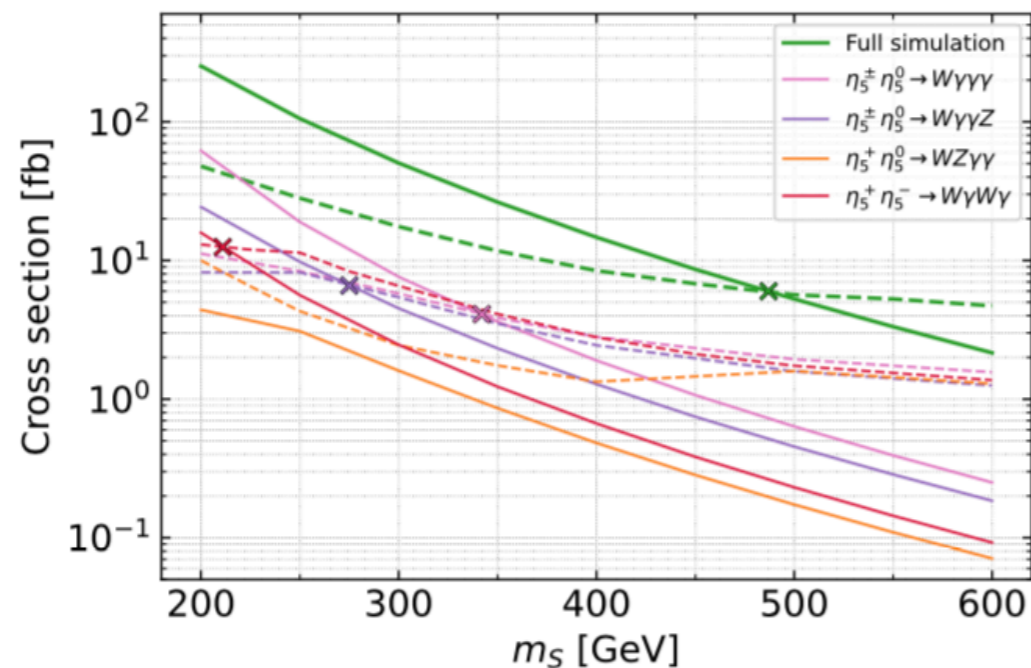
Cascade decays competitive for mass splits around 50 GeV



SU(5)/SO(5) benchmark

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- Run all searches in MadAnalysis, Checkmate and Contur on all di-scalar pair production channels.
- Best limits from multi-photon searches (ATLAS generic analysis)
- Many channels contribute to the same signal region!



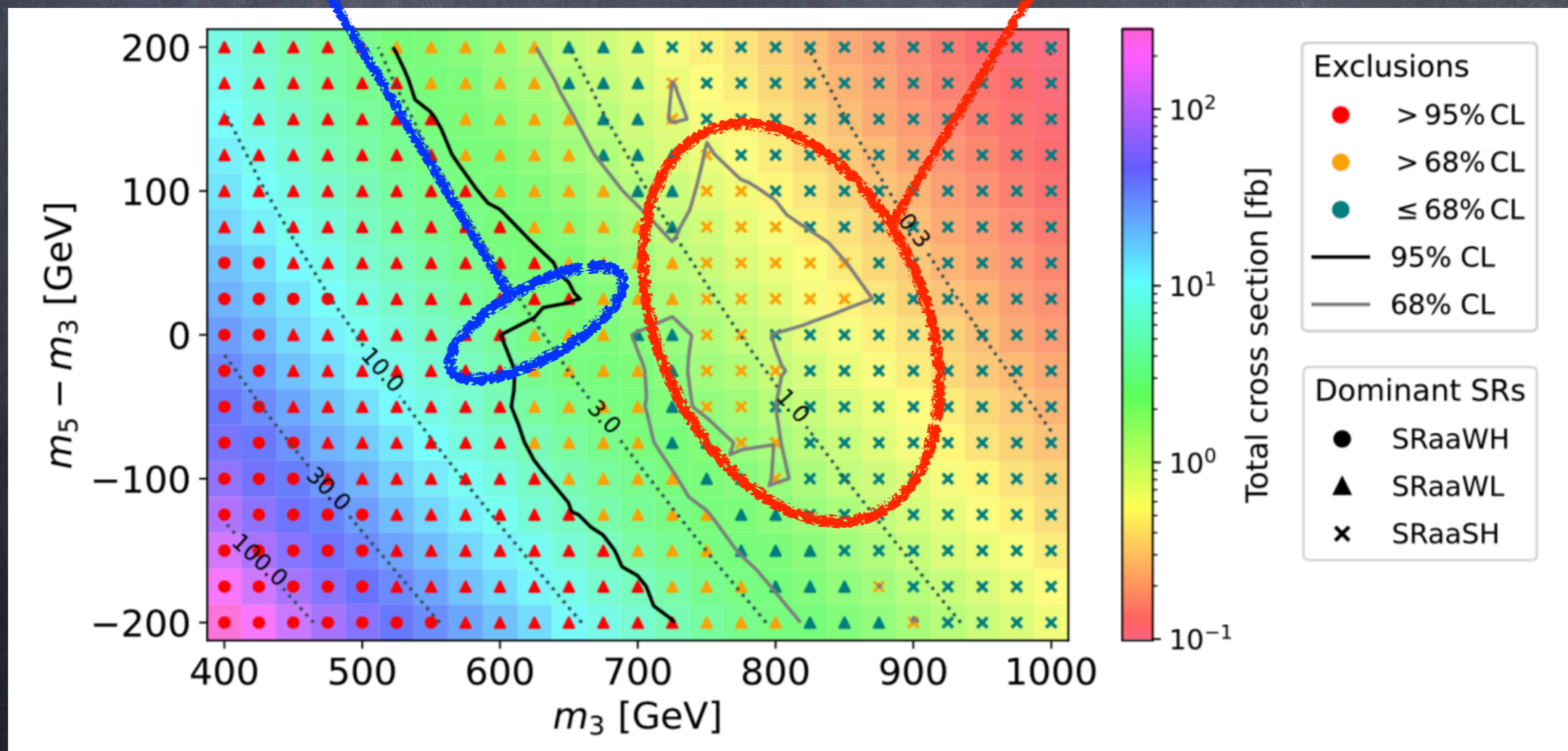
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Exclusion from multi-photon search

S_{++} cascade decays

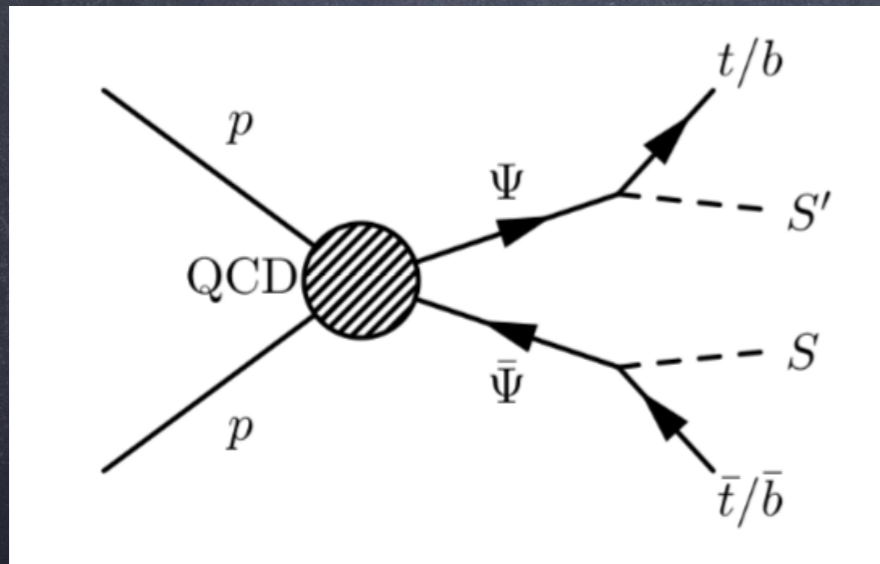
Change in dominant SR



Top partner pheno revisited

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- pNGBs lighter than the top partners are to be expected in all composite models



The S decays are model-dependent, but they can be classified:

$$S_i^{++} \rightarrow W^+W^+$$

$$S_i^+ \rightarrow W^+\gamma, W^+Z$$

$$S_i^0 \rightarrow W^+W^-, \gamma\gamma, \gamma Z, ZZ.$$

Calculable ratios (from anomalies) and always present for all models.

$$S^{++} \rightarrow W^+t\bar{b},$$

$$S^+ \rightarrow t\bar{b},$$

$$S^0 \rightarrow t\bar{t}, b\bar{b}.$$

Dominant, if present for the specific S .

Common exotic top partner decays

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\Psi fV} = & \frac{e}{\sqrt{2}s_W} \kappa_{T,L}^W \bar{T} W^+ P_L b + \frac{e}{2c_W s_W} \kappa_{T,L}^Z \bar{T} Z P_L t + \frac{e}{\sqrt{2}s_W} \kappa_{B,L}^W \bar{B} W^- P_L t \\ & + \frac{e}{2c_W s_W} \kappa_{B,L}^Z \bar{B} Z P_L b + \frac{e}{\sqrt{2}s_W} \kappa_{X,L}^W \bar{X} W^+ P_L t + L \leftrightarrow R + \text{h.c.} \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

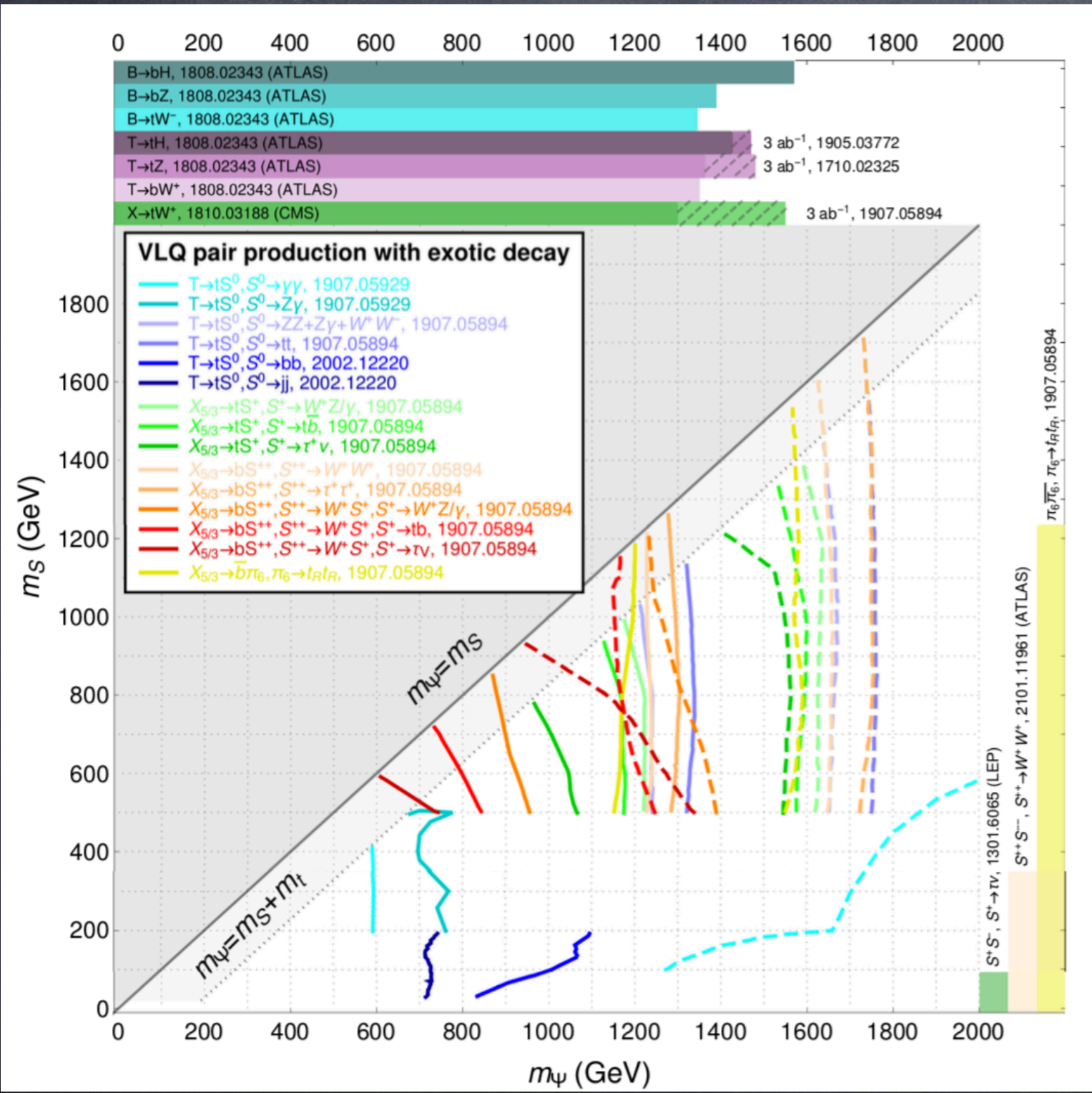
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- Possible to write a Master-Lagrangian containing all possible couplings, implemented at NLO in MG (FSMOG)

Work in progress by A. Deandrea and B. Fuks

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- Dedicated searches may be useful to push up the limits.
- Projections for FCC-hh are needed..
- in combination with scalar direct production.

Exotic top partners

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- A specific model: MS of Ferretti's classification

Underlying fermions (like quarks)

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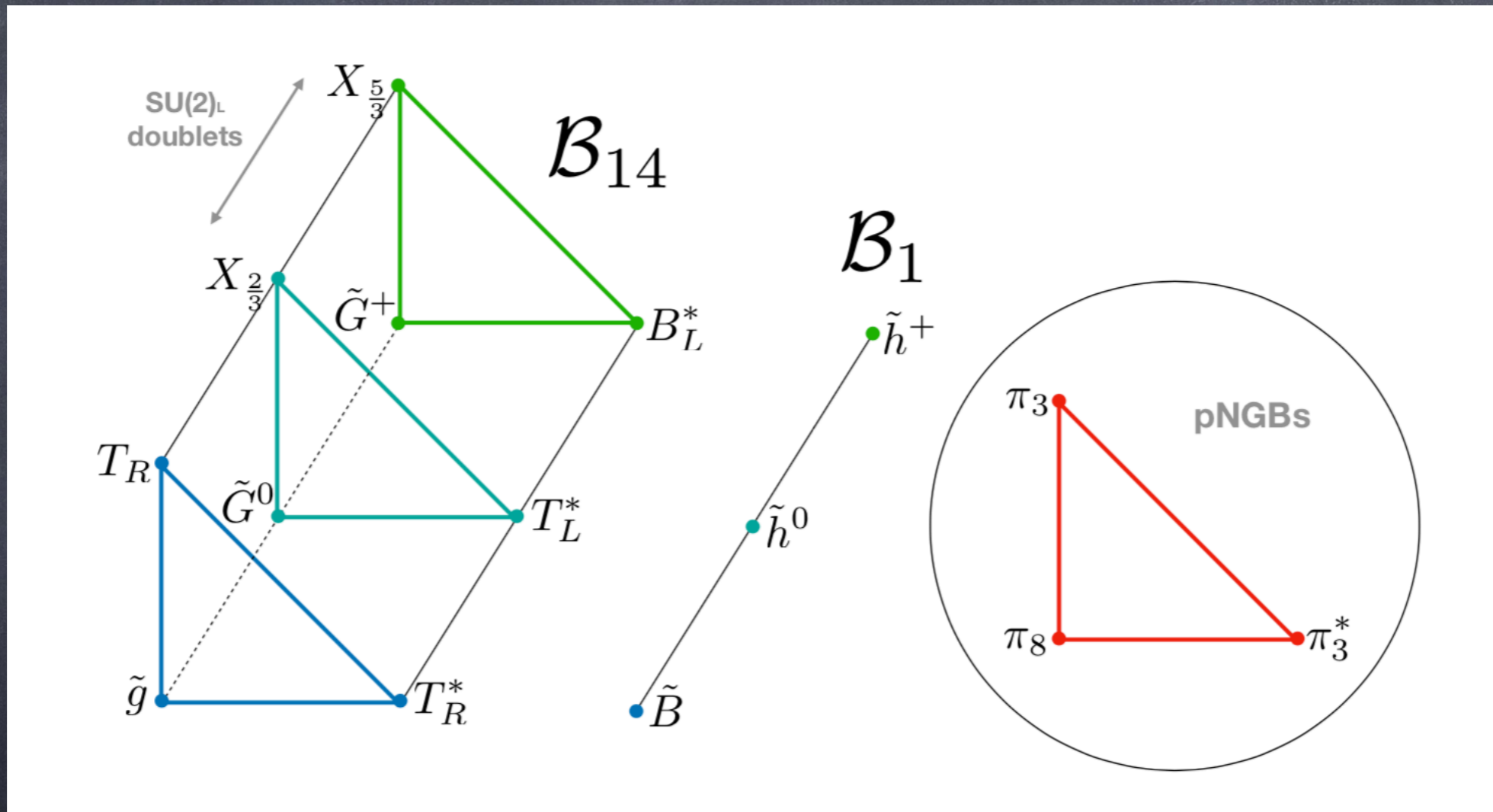
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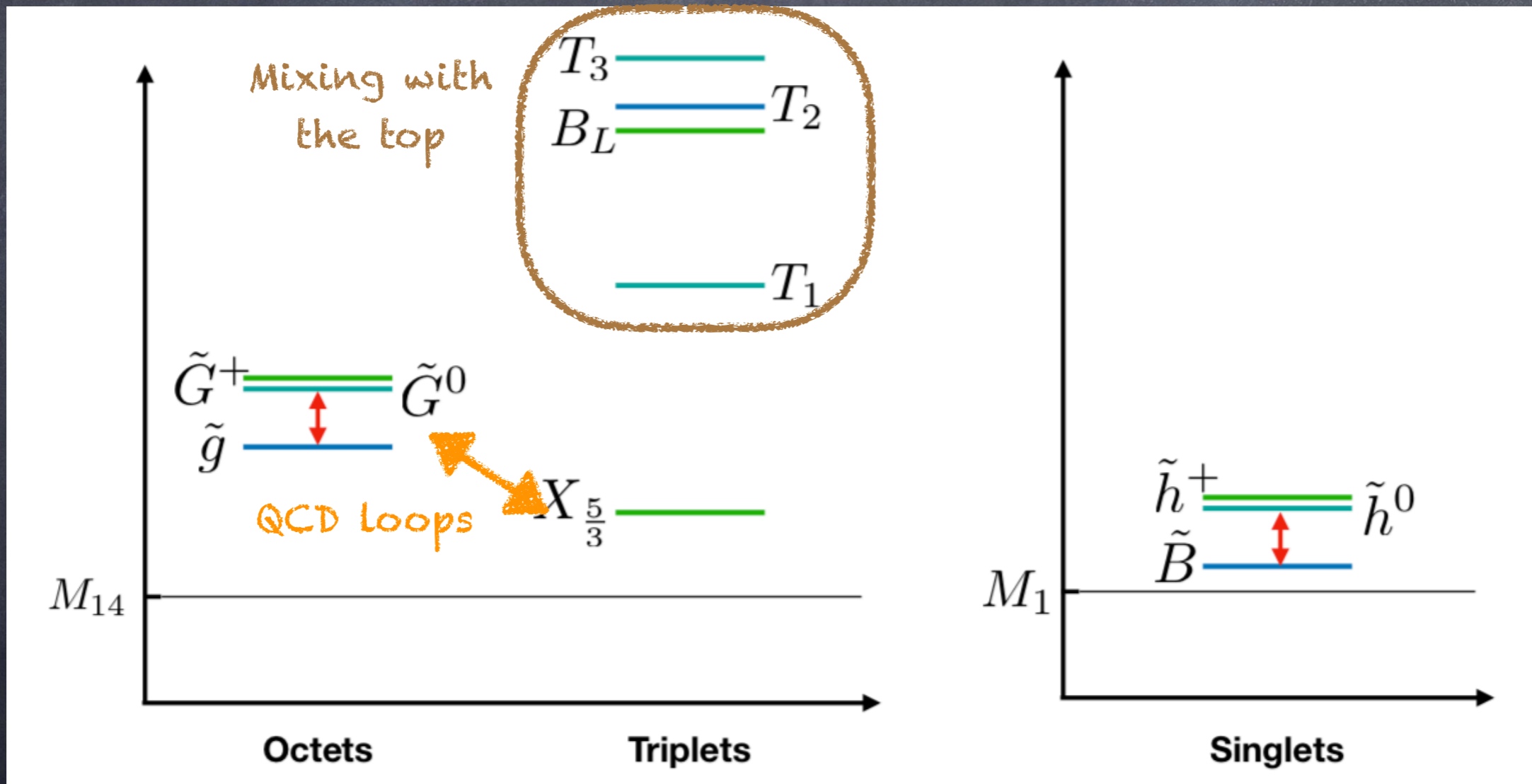
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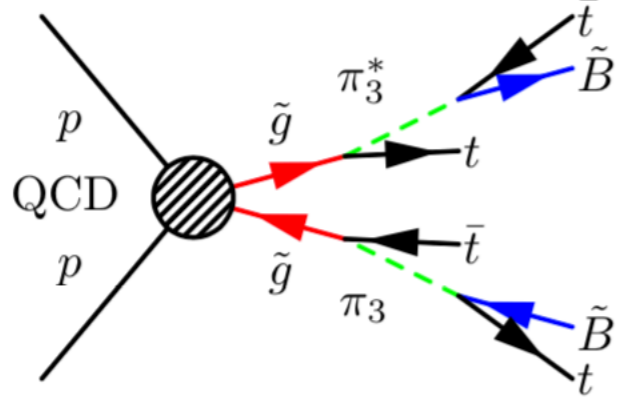


The new particle content looks
ironically SUSY-like!

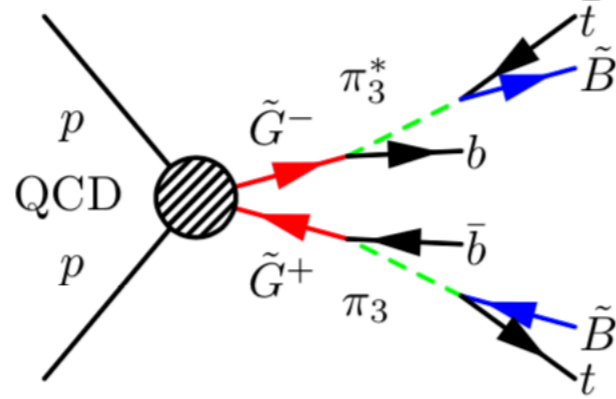
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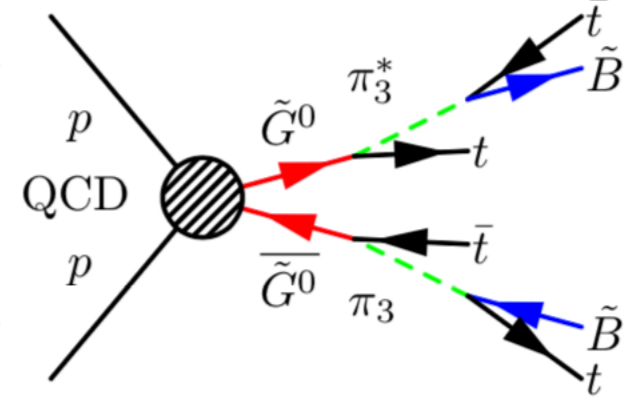




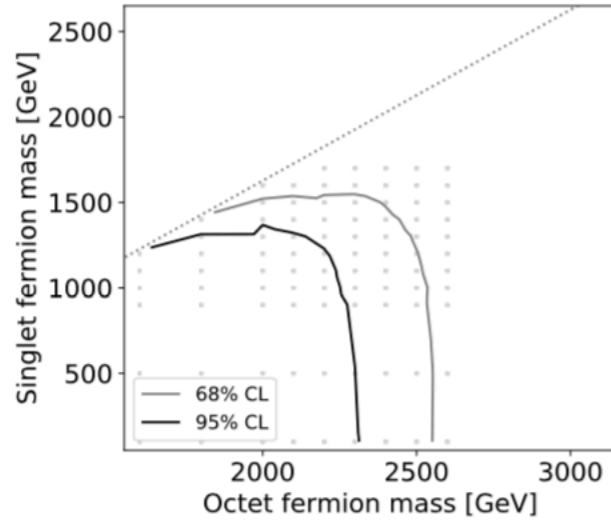
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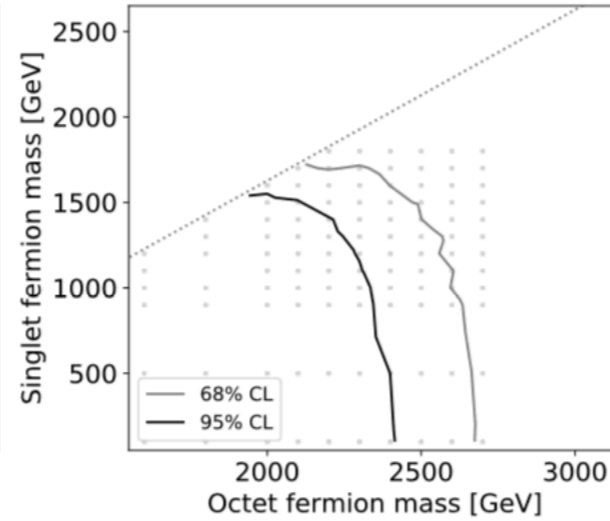


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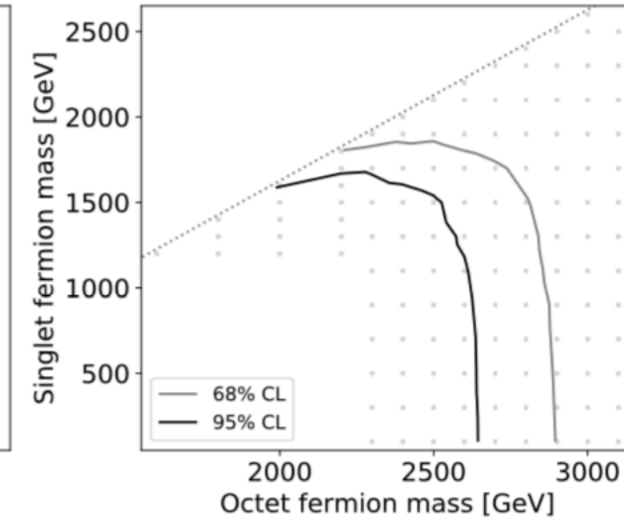
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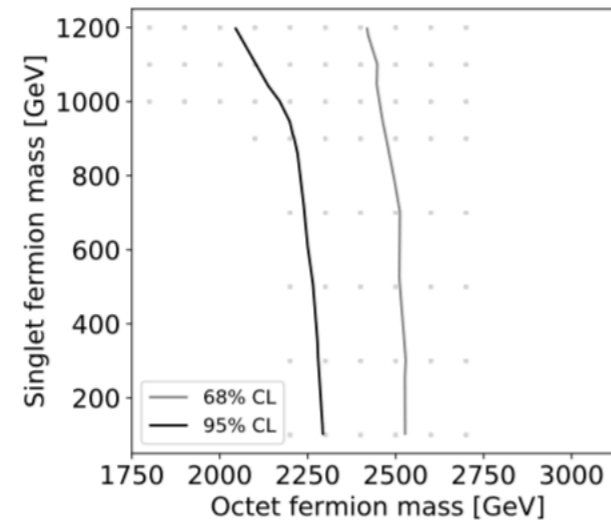
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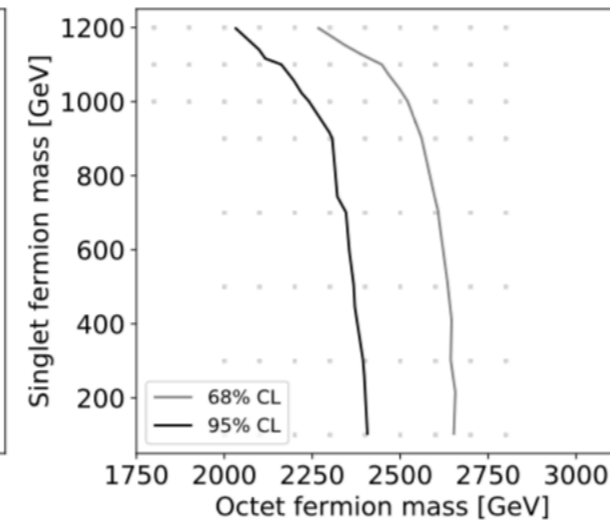
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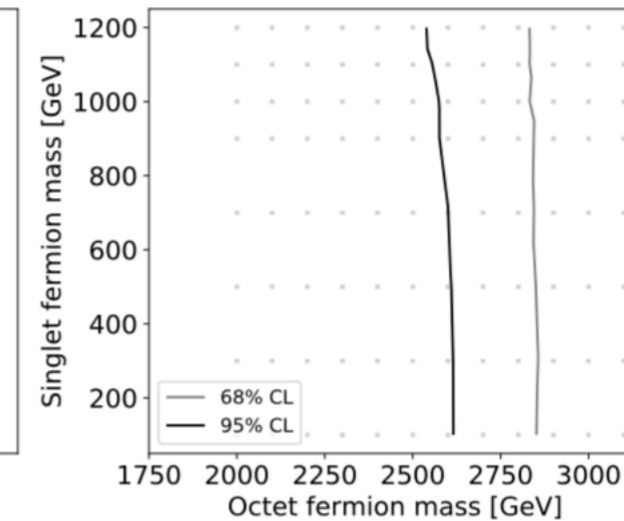
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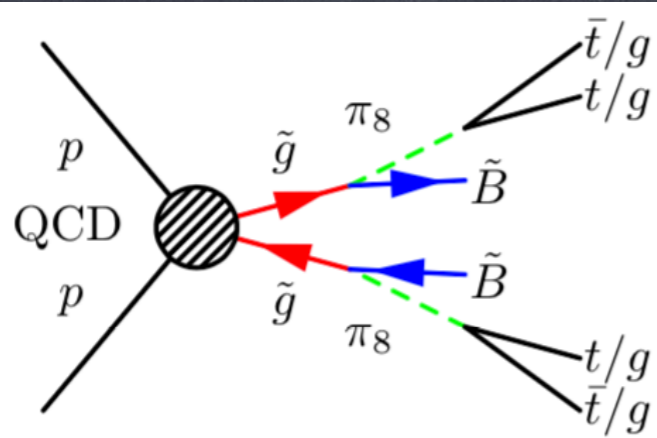
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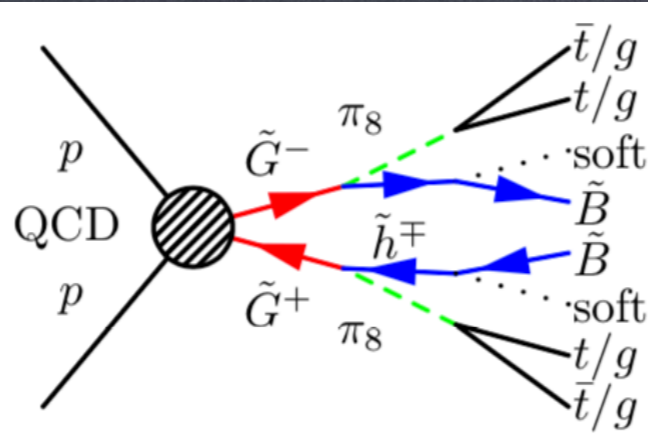


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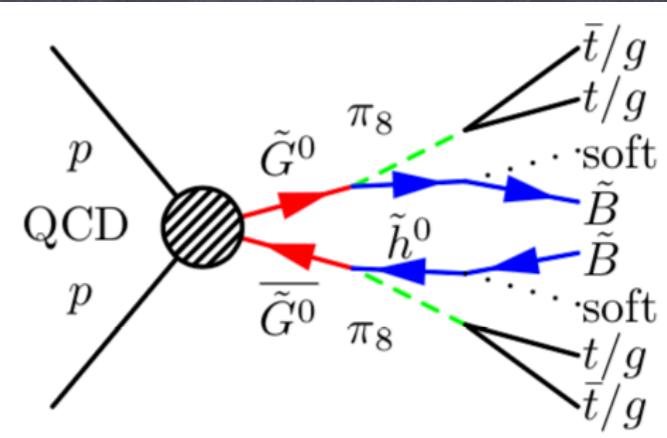
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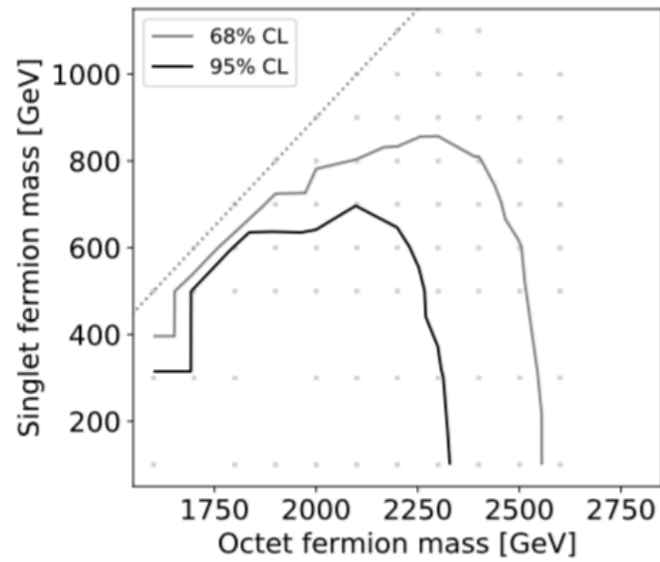
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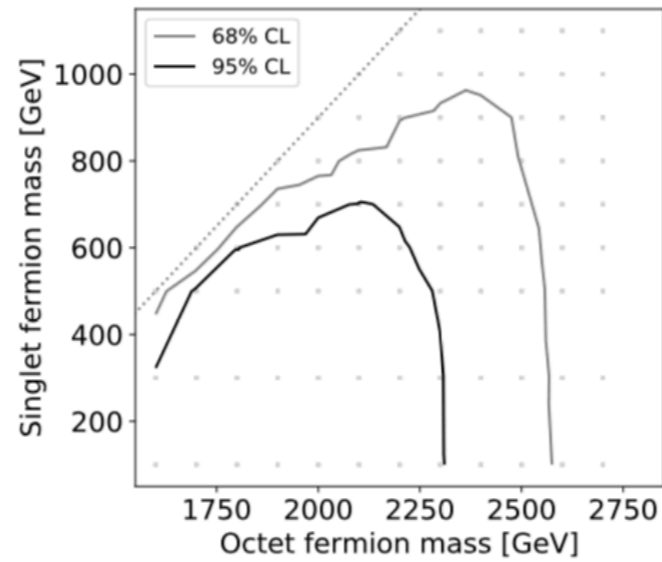
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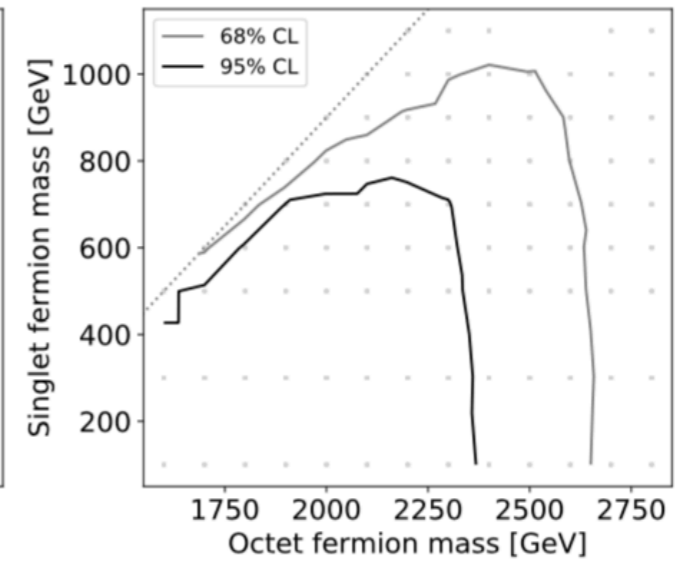
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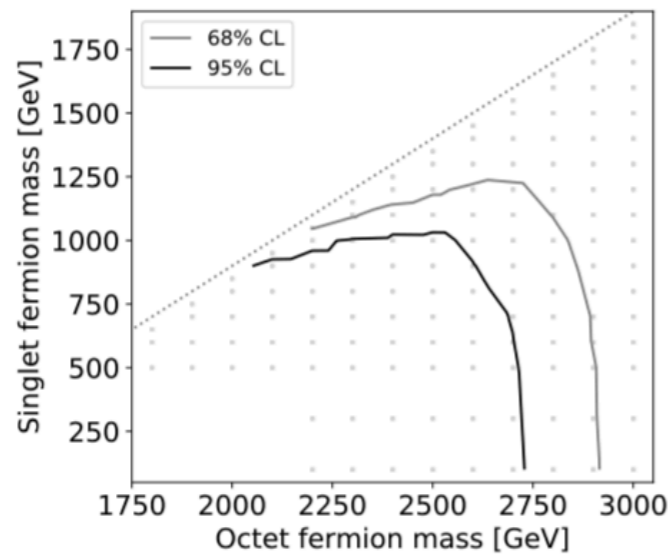
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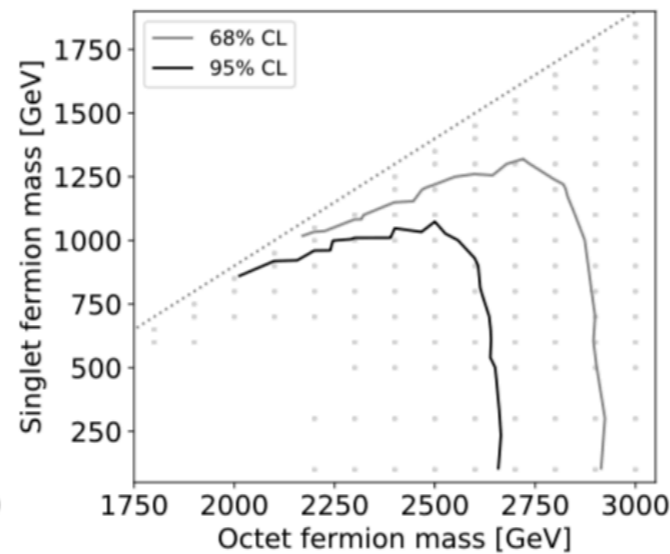
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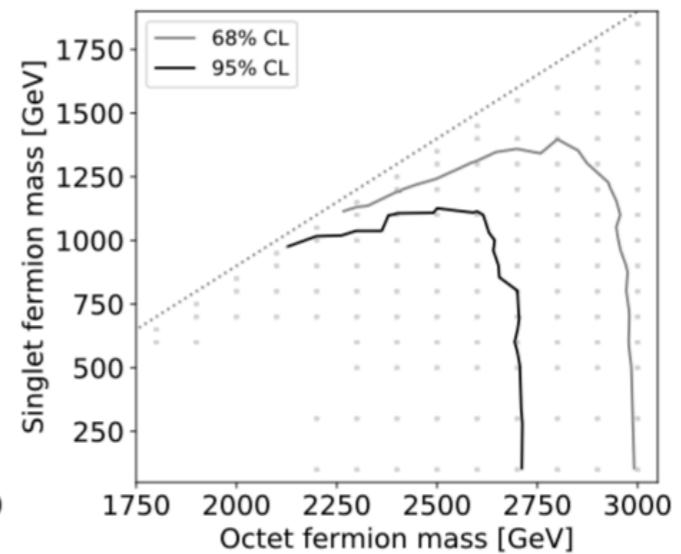
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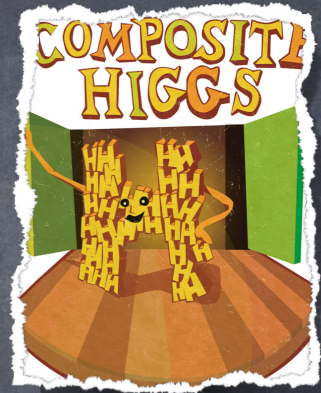
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Conclusions

- Scalar pair production is characteristic of composite Higgs models (and beyond)
- Dedicated searches can improve reach
- Production via heavier states: top partners ('standard' and 'exotic')
- Heavy spin-1 states under study

Bonus tracks

Composite Higgs models 101



- Symmetry broken by a condensate (of TC-fermions)
- Higgs and longitudinal Z/W emerge as mesons (pions)



Scales:

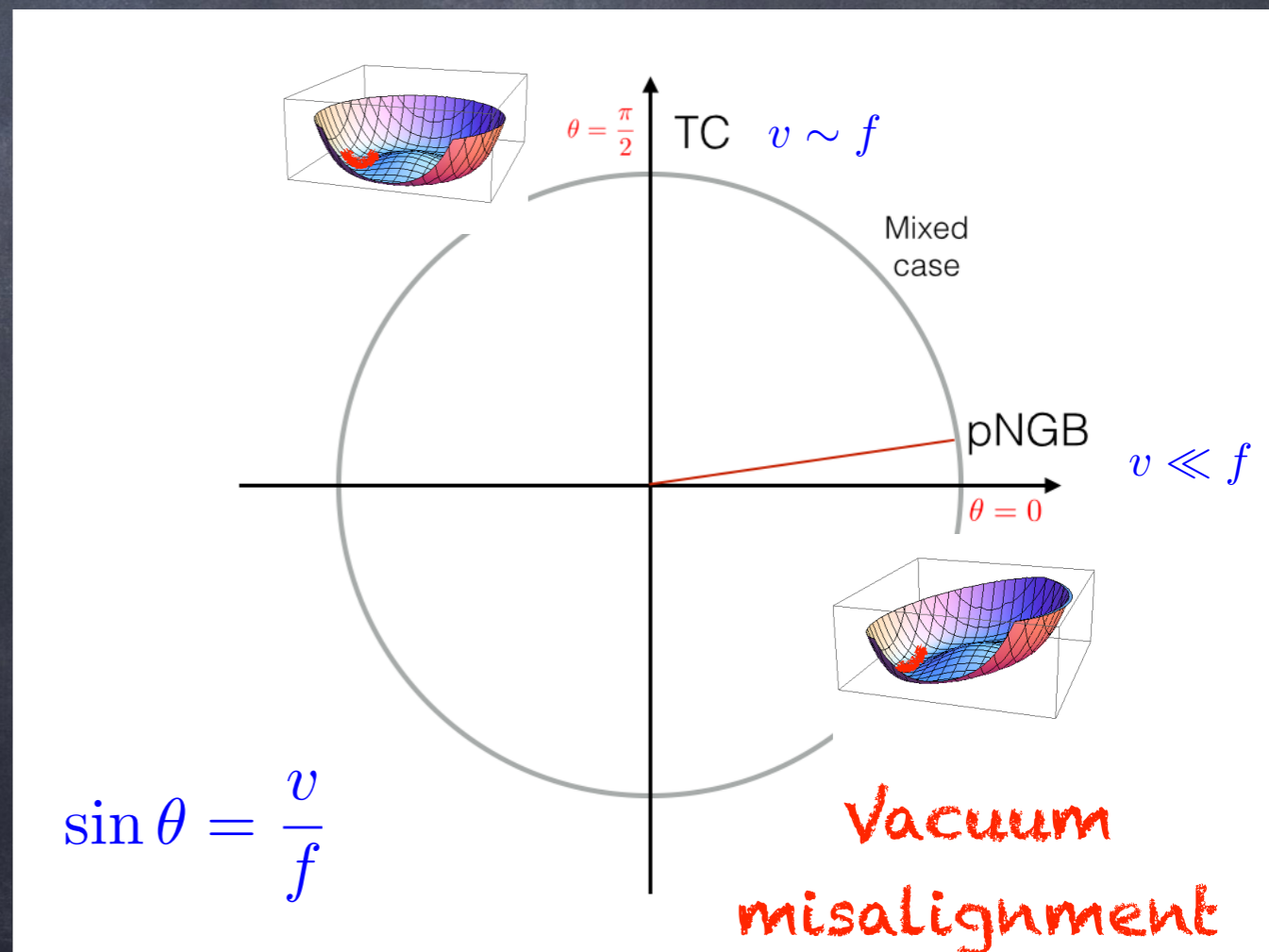
f : Higgs decay constant

v : EW scale

$$m_\rho \sim 4\pi f$$

EWPTs + Higgs coupl. limit:

$$f \gtrsim 4v \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$$



Composite models at various scales



Planck scale

HC and SM gauge partially uni

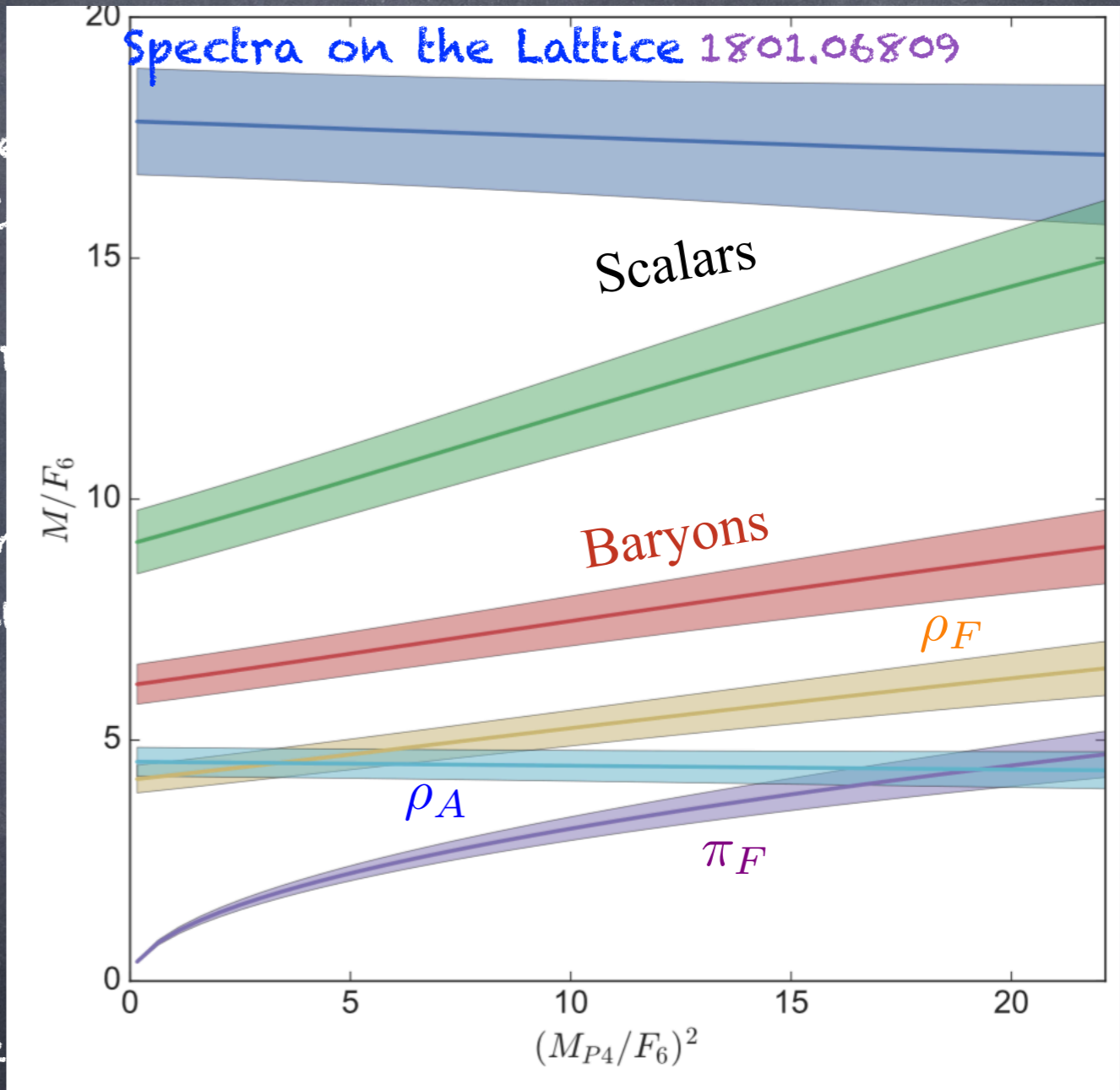
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100 GeV Standard Model



accessible to colliders

Typical ALP Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{D \leq 5} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2} a^2 + \frac{\partial^\mu a}{\Lambda} \sum_F \bar{\psi}_F \mathbf{C}_F \gamma_\mu \psi_F$$

$$+ g_s^2 C_{GG} \frac{a}{\Lambda} G_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu,A} + g^2 C_{WW} \frac{a}{\Lambda} W_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{W}^{\mu\nu,A} + g'^2 C_{BB} \frac{a}{\Lambda} B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}^{\mu\nu},$$

Composite Higgs scenario:

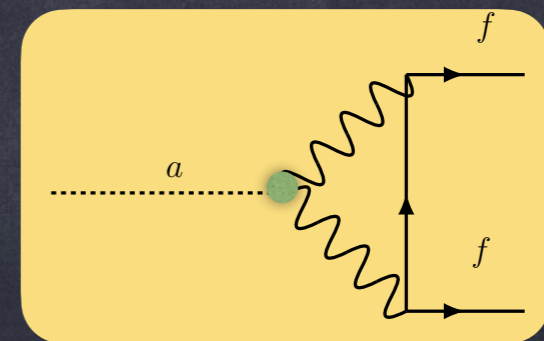
$$\frac{C_{WW}}{\Lambda} \sim \frac{C_{BB}}{\Lambda} \sim \frac{N_{\text{TTC}}}{64\sqrt{2} \pi^2 f} \quad \frac{C_{GG}}{\Lambda} = 0$$

(Poor bounds at the LHC)

$$(C_{\gamma\gamma} = C_{WW} + C_{BB})$$

C_F is loop-induced:

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Typical ALP Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{D \leq 5} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu a)(\partial^\mu a) - \frac{m_{a,0}^2}{2} a^2 + \frac{\partial^\mu a}{\Lambda} \sum_F \bar{\psi}_F \mathbf{C}_F \gamma_\mu \psi_F$$
$$+ g_s^2 C_{GG} \frac{a}{\Lambda} G_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu,A} + g^2 C_{WW} \frac{a}{\Lambda} W_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{W}^{\mu\nu,A} + g'^2 C_{BB} \frac{a}{\Lambda} B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}^{\mu\nu},$$


Composite Higgs scenario:

$$\frac{C_{WW}}{\Lambda} \sim \frac{C_{BB}}{\Lambda} \sim \frac{N_{\text{TC}}}{64\sqrt{2} \pi^2 f}$$

Free parameters:

$$(C_{\gamma\gamma} = C_{WW} + C_{BB})$$

We will consider two scenarios:
Photo-philic and
Photo-phobic



f, m_a

Money plot

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Typical EWPT bound

