

# Muon Colliders Beyond 3 TeV: Vision & Potential



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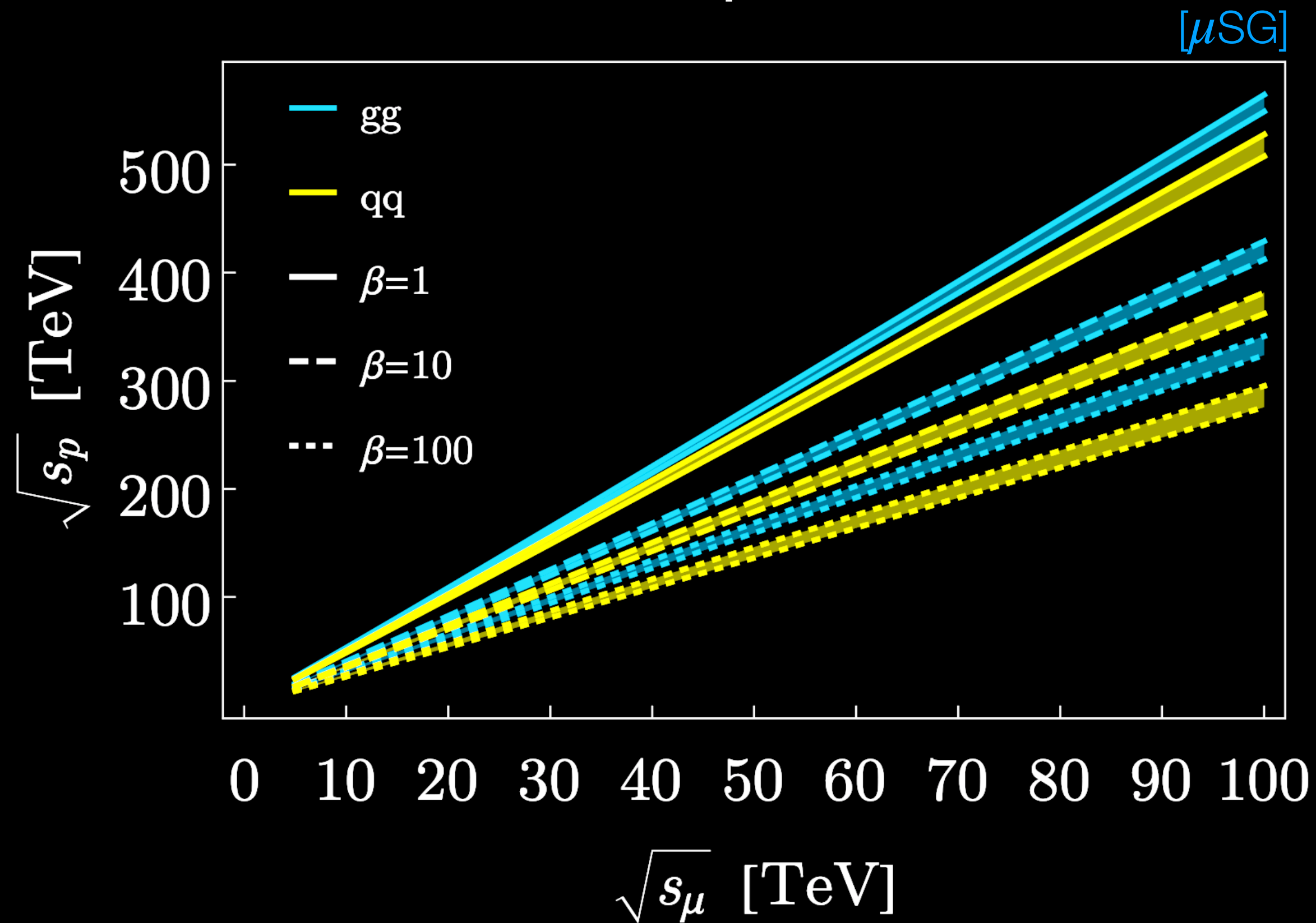
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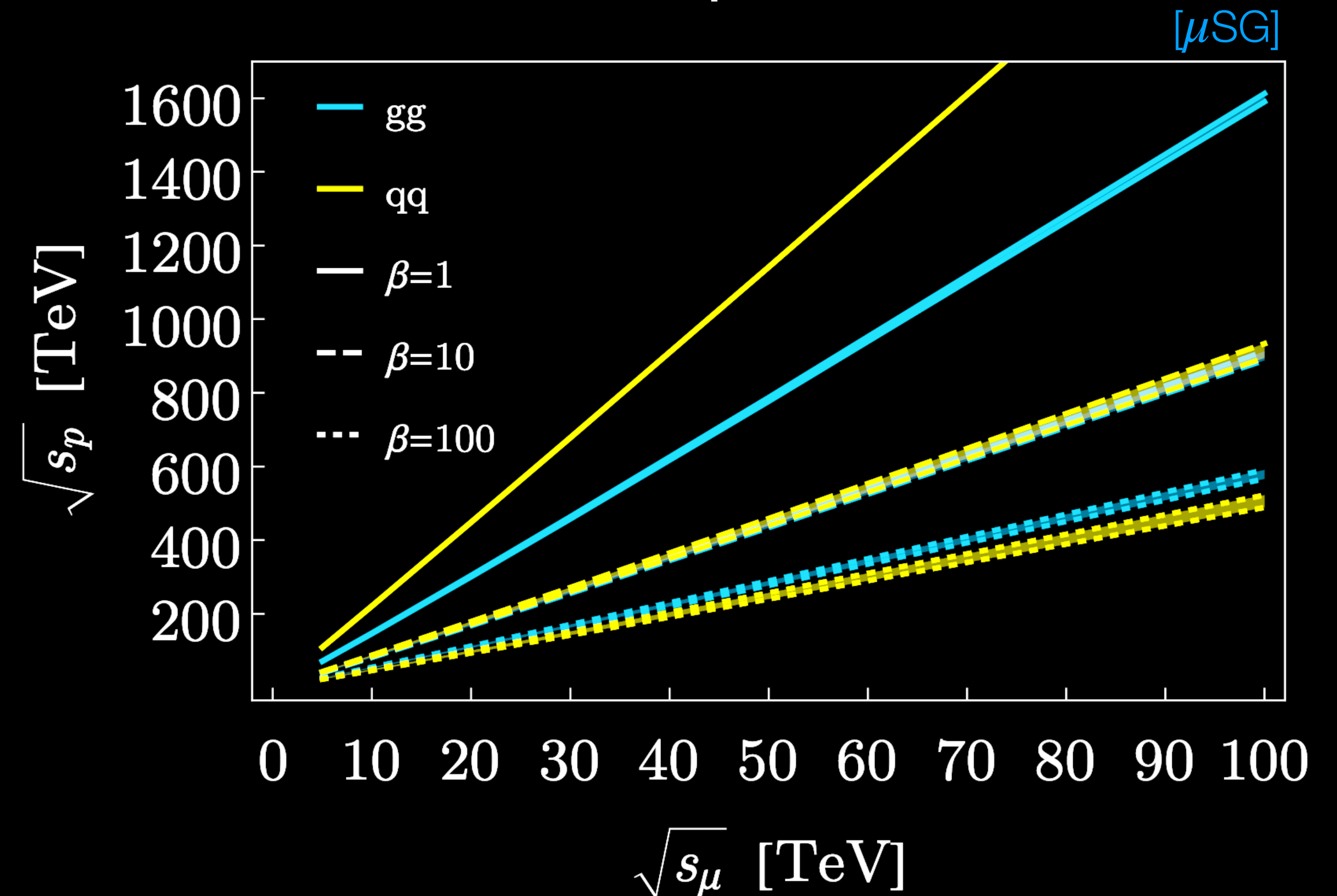
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In the spirit of [Delahaye et al. 1901.06150, Costantini et al. 2005.10289]

2-to-1 production



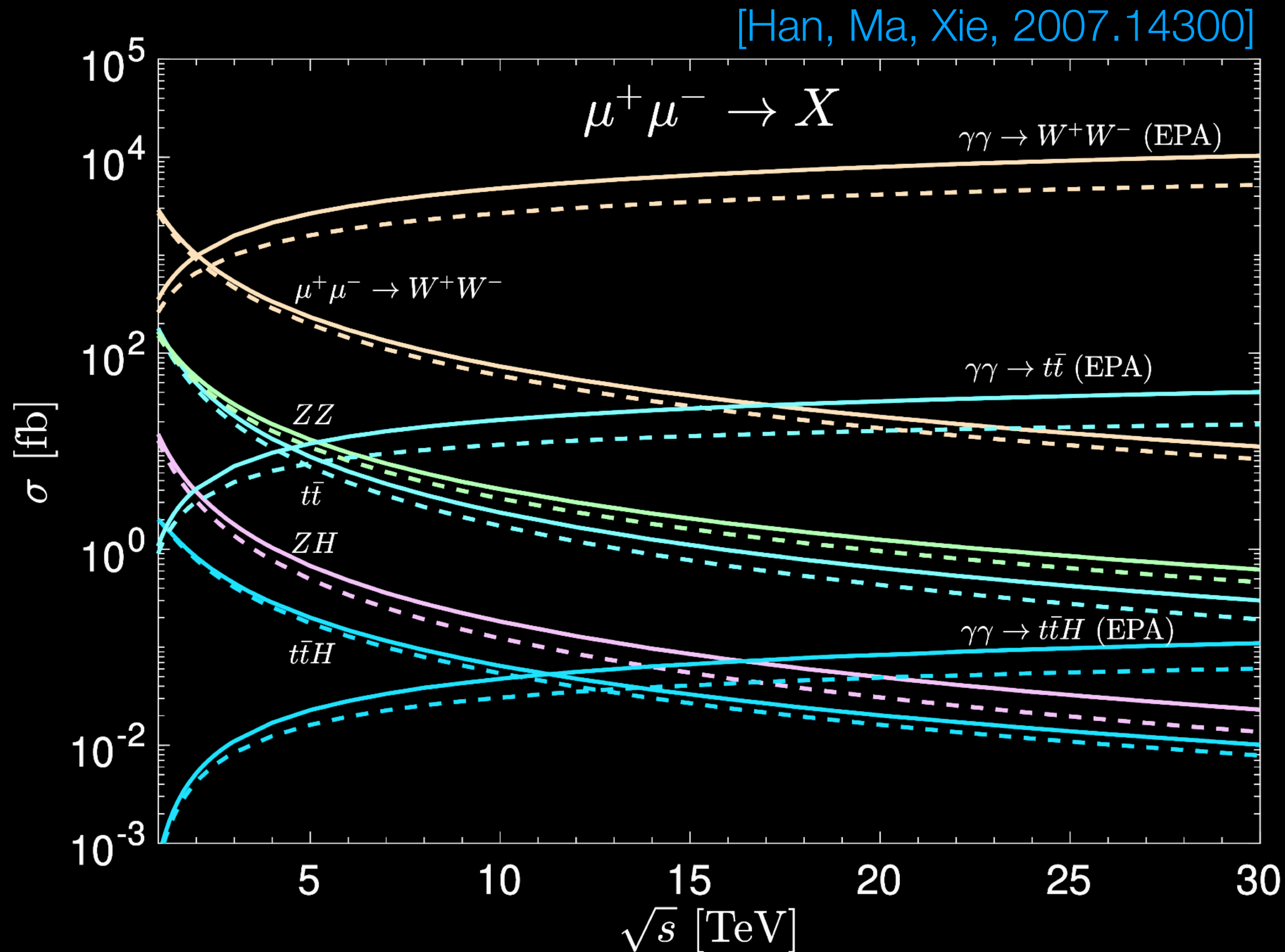
2-to-2 production



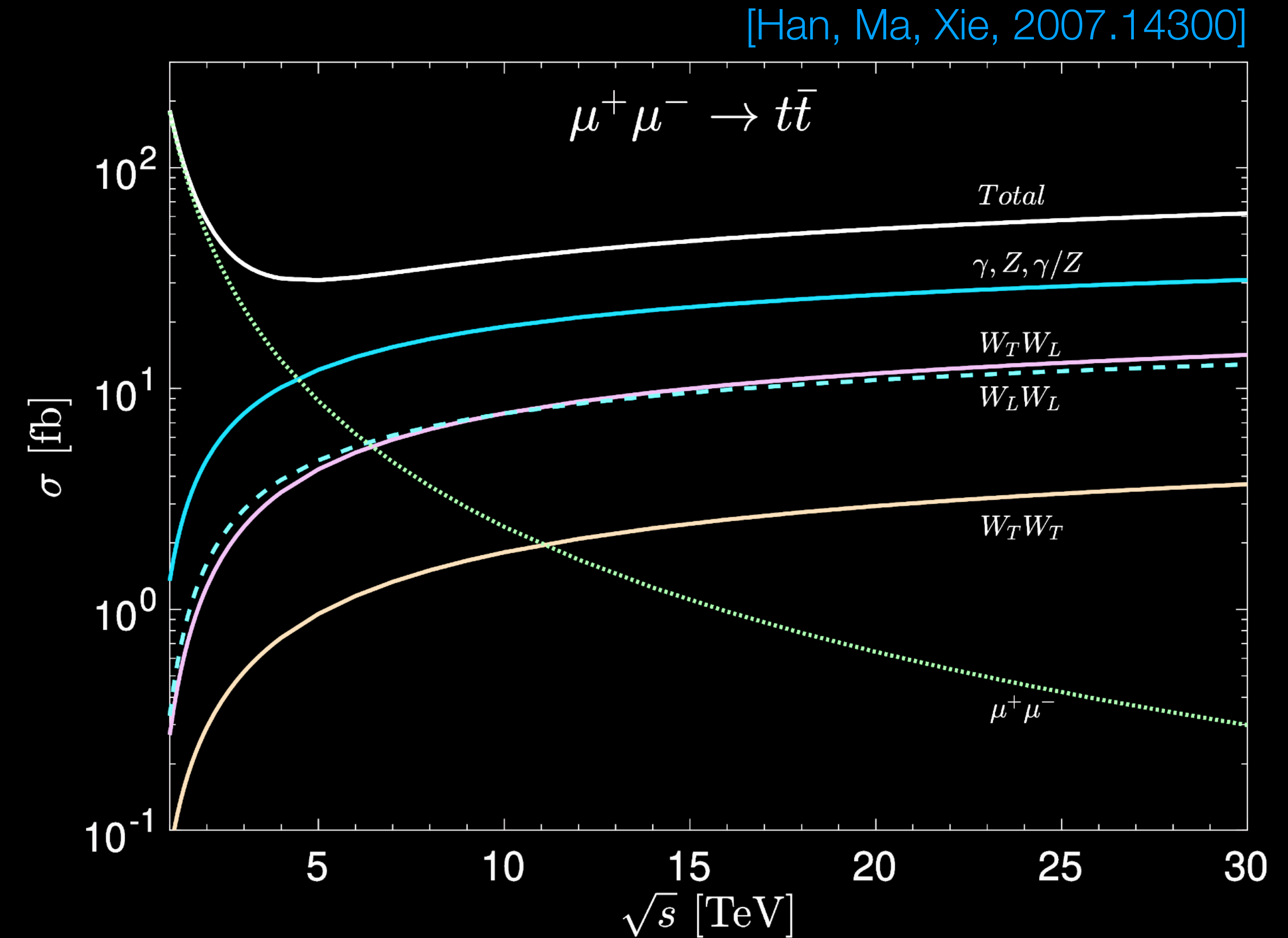
(Bands are NNPDF3.0 LO vs. CT18NNLO)

Comparison favorable to MC in that  $\hat{s} = s_\mu = \frac{M^2}{2}$  for 2-to-1 and  $\hat{s} = s_\mu = 4M^2$  for 2-to-2

# Why go beyond 3 TeV?



*Crossover from annihilation to VBF dominance takes place around 2-3 TeV*



*Longitudinal polarizations increasingly important above 3 TeV, an extraordinary laboratory for EWSB*



# Theory vision circa 1984

ECFA 84/85  
CERN 84-10  
5 September 1984

Satisfied with these successes, we have now to face deeper questions such as:

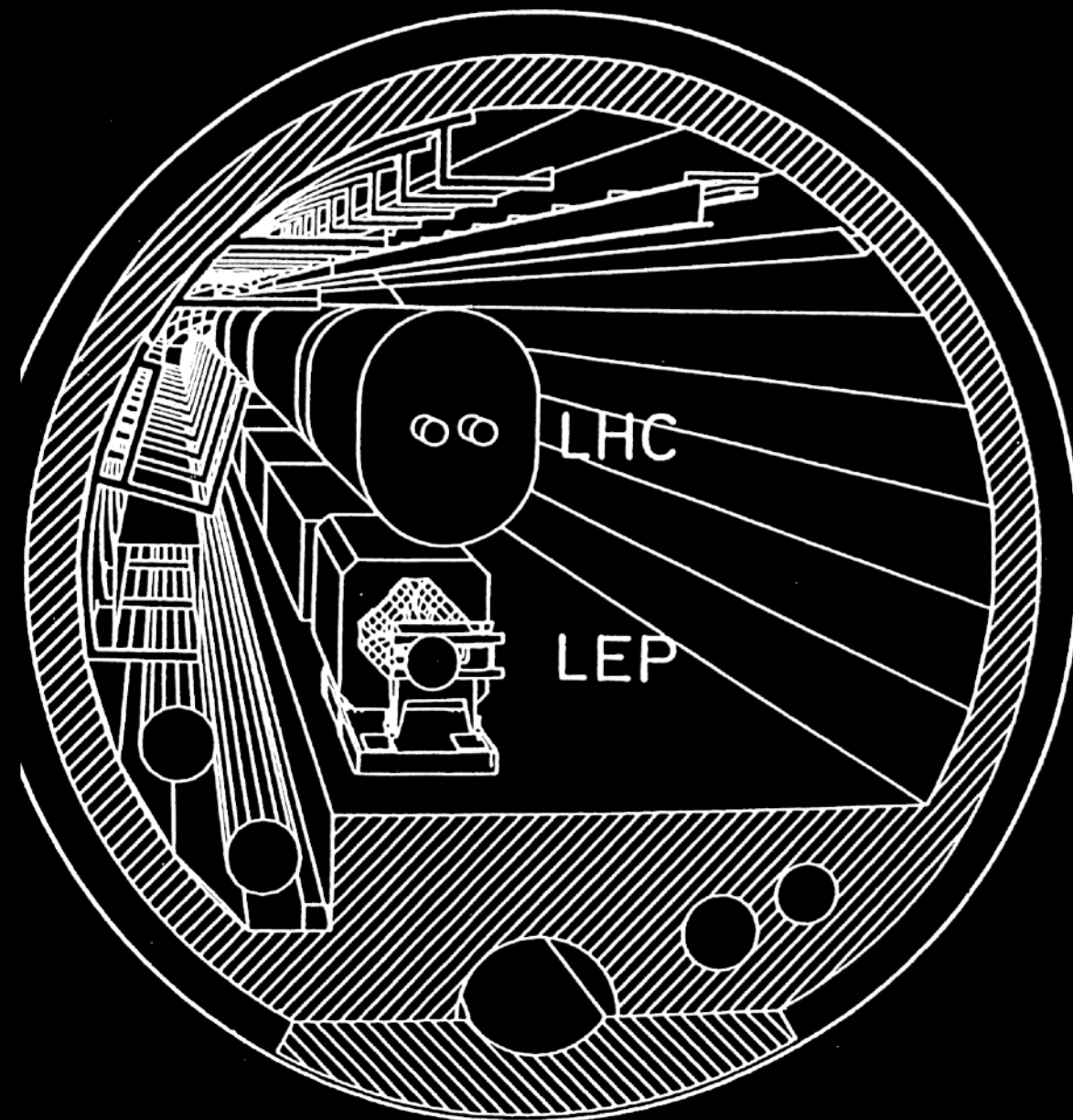
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We have simply too many a priori plausible hypotheses concerning the nature of symmetry breaking in the standard model. Experimentation in the TeV range at the constituent level is bound to provide most essential clues, and the present successes of the  $p\bar{p}$  collider are a very strong encouragement to go to higher energies and to higher luminosities in hadron-hadron collisions.



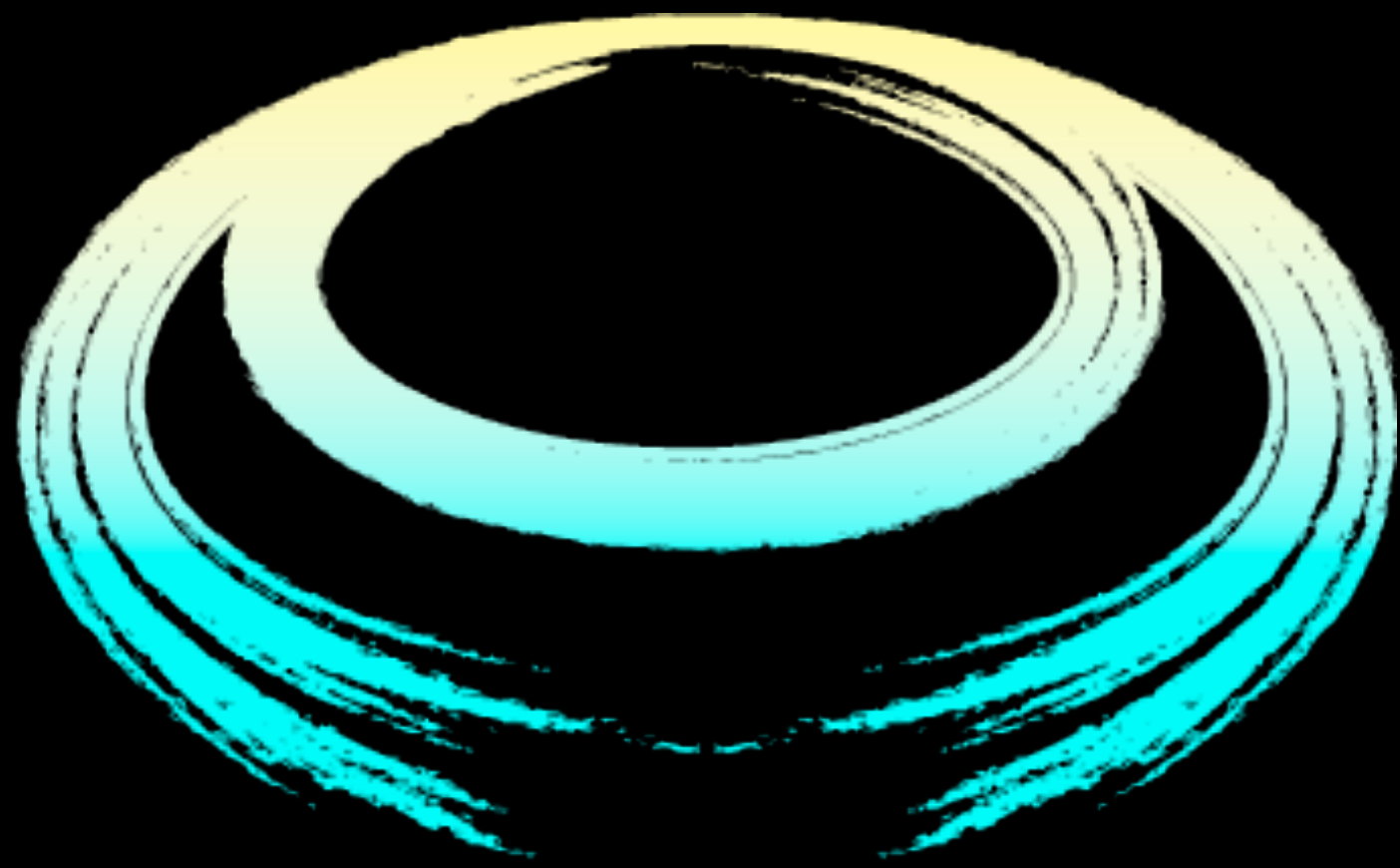
LARGE HADRON COLLIDER  
IN THE LEP TUNNEL

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held at Lausanne and Geneva,  
21-27 March 1984

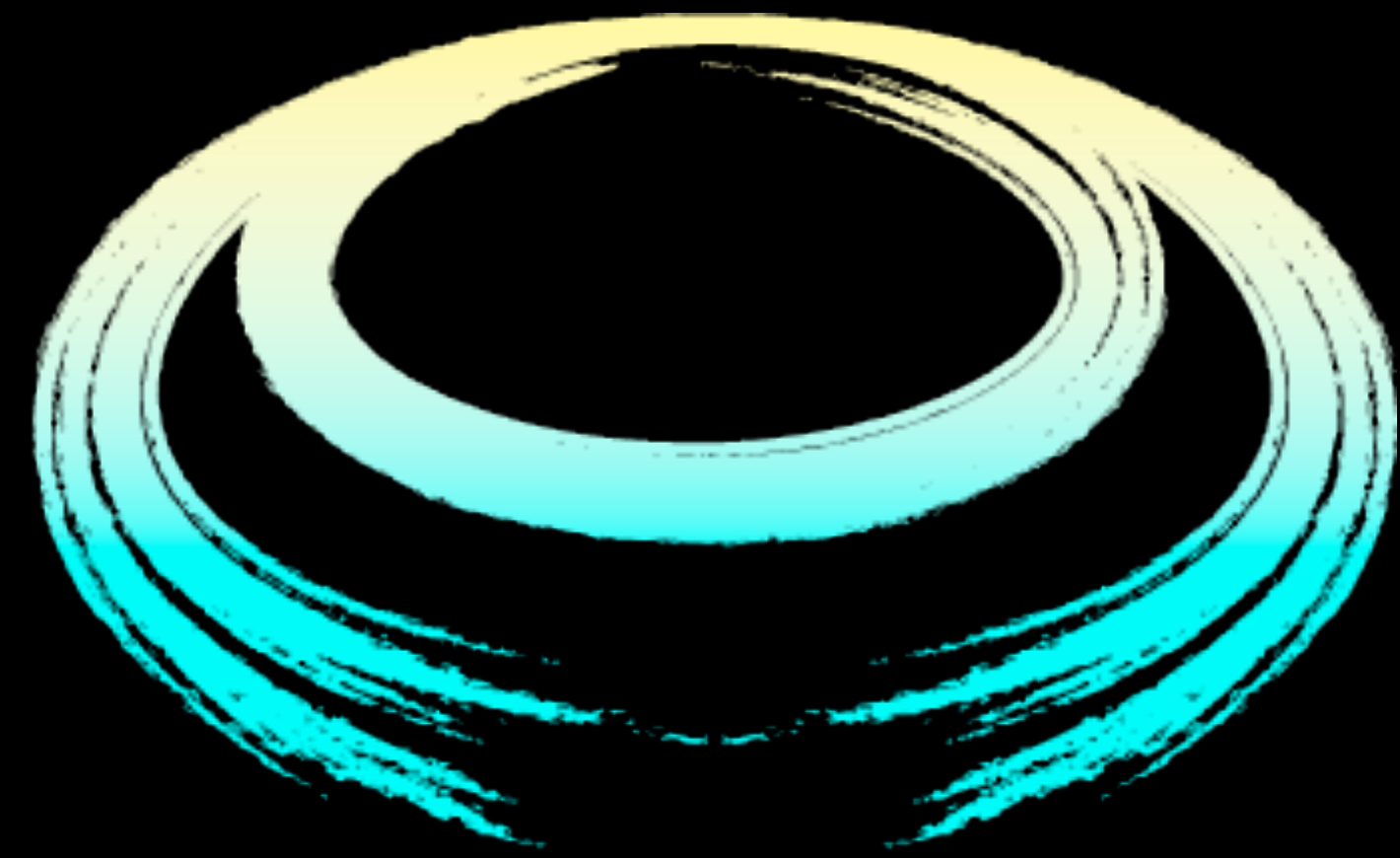
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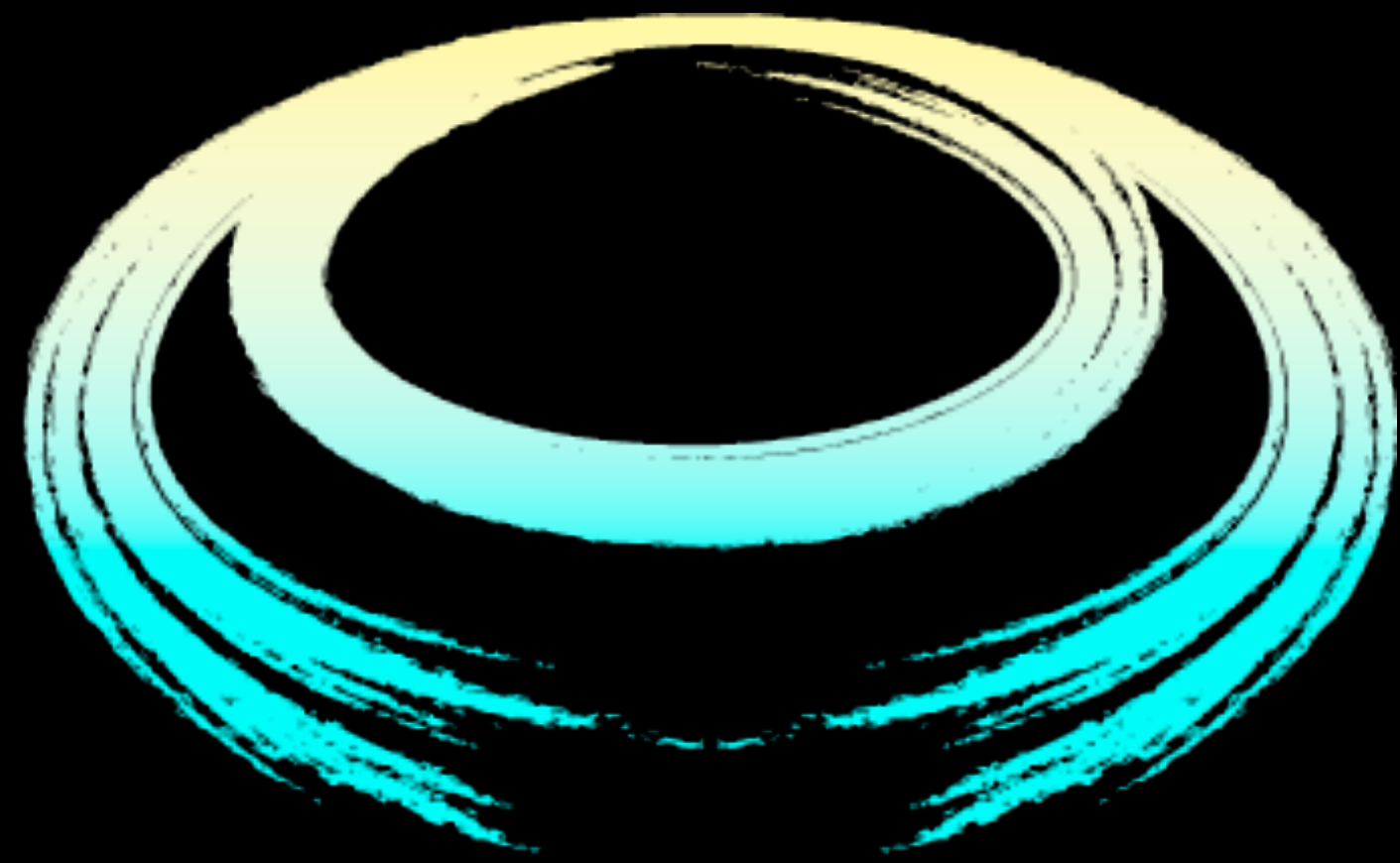
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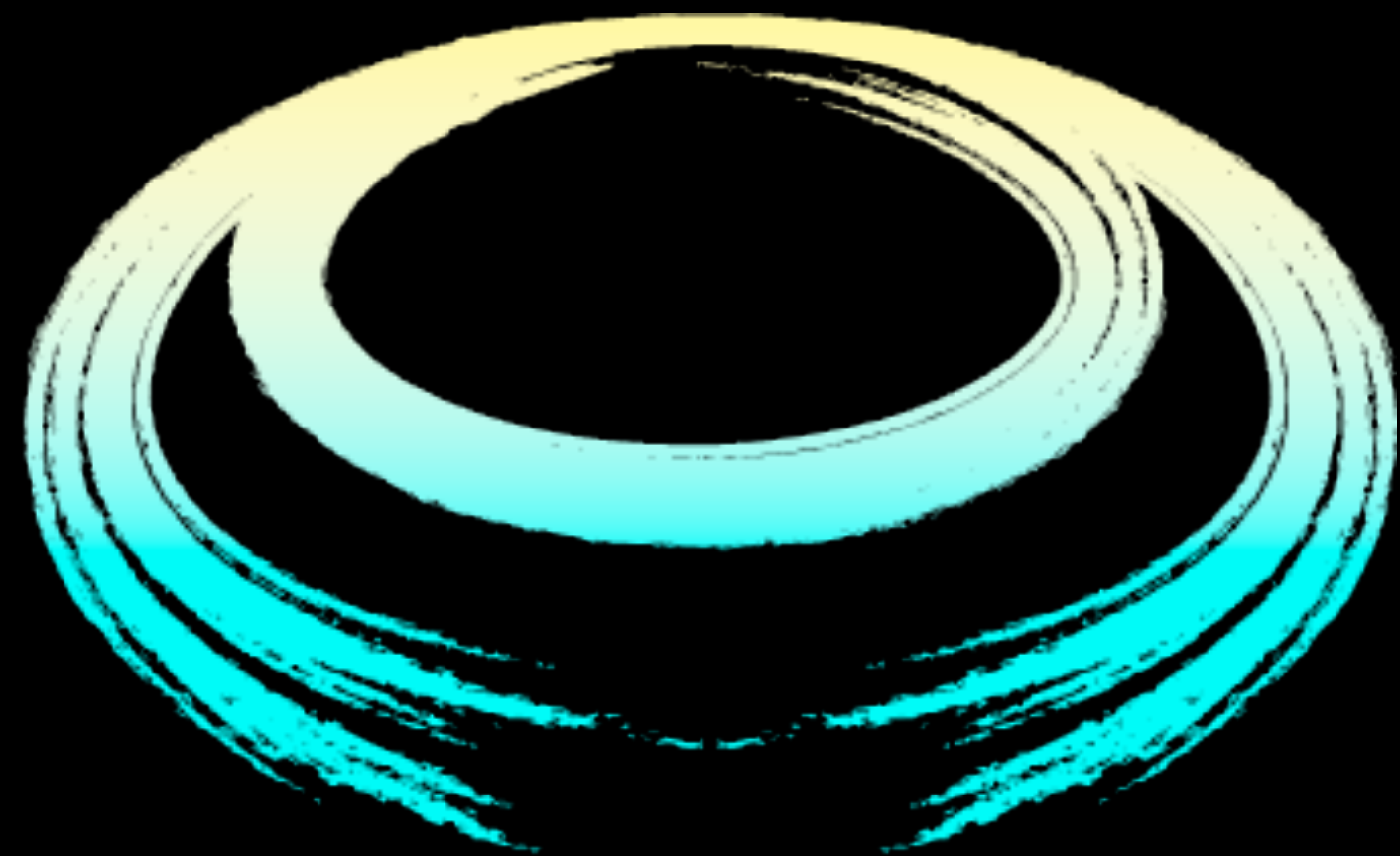
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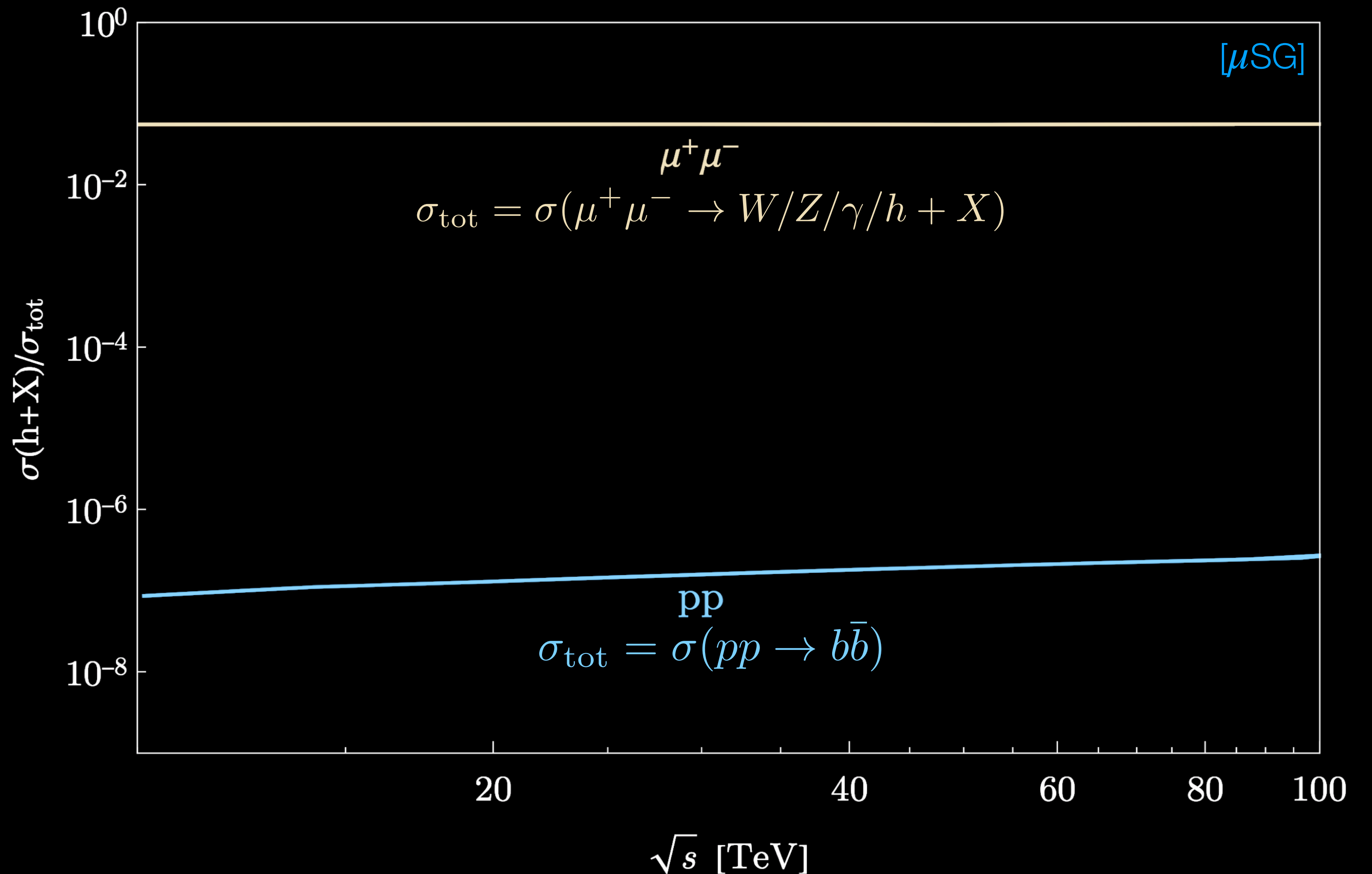
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*The Higgs itself is key.*

Any deviation in its  
properties from SM  
predictions is a telltale  
sign of new physics.

S/B favorable at a  $\mu C$ .



# Is it the SM Higgs?

$\kappa$  fit in “ $\kappa$ -0” scenario (no invisible/untagged BR, no HL-LHC combination)

**For illustration only:** Muon collider projections for  $\sqrt{s} = 10$  TeV, 10/ab using fast sim, DELPHES  $\mu$ C detector card, minimal cuts/tagging. No physics backgrounds or BIB, though latter under control [[Bartosik et al. 2001.04431](#)]

$\kappa$ -0 fit	HL-LHC	LHeC	HE-LHC		ILC			CLIC			CEPC	FCC-ee		FCC-ee/ eh/hh	$\mu^+\mu^-$ <b>10000</b>
			S2	S2'	250	500	1000	380	1500	3000		240	365		
$\kappa_W$ [%]	1.7	0.75	1.4	0.98	1.8	0.29	0.24	0.86	0.16	0.11	1.3	1.3	0.43	0.14	<b>0.06</b>
$\kappa_Z$ [%]	1.5	1.2	1.3	0.9	0.29	0.23	0.22	0.5	0.26	0.23	0.14	0.20	0.17	0.12	<b>0.23</b>
$\kappa_g$ [%]	2.3	3.6	1.9	1.2	2.3	0.97	0.66	2.5	1.3	0.9	1.5	1.7	1.0	0.49	<b>0.15</b>
$\kappa_\gamma$ [%]	1.9	7.6	1.6	1.2	6.7	3.4	1.9	98*	5.0	2.2	3.7	4.7	3.9	0.29	<b>0.64</b>
$\kappa_{Z\gamma}$ [%]	10.	—	5.7	3.8	99*	86*	85*	120*	15	6.9	8.2	81*	75*	0.69	<b>1.0</b>
$\kappa_c$ [%]	—	4.1	—	—	2.5	1.3	0.9	4.3	1.8	1.4	2.2	1.8	1.3	0.95	<b>0.89</b>
$\kappa_t$ [%]	3.3	—	2.8	1.7	—	6.9	1.6	—	—	2.7	—	—	—	1.0	<b>7.49</b>
$\kappa_b$ [%]	3.6	2.1	3.2	2.3	1.8	0.58	0.48	1.9	0.46	0.37	1.2	1.3	0.67	0.43	<b>0.16</b>
$\kappa_\mu$ [%]	4.6	—	2.5	1.7	15	9.4	6.2	320*	13	5.8	8.9	10	8.9	0.41	<b>1.95</b>
$\kappa_\tau$ [%]	1.9	3.3	1.5	1.1	1.9	0.70	0.57	3.0	1.3	0.88	1.3	1.4	0.73	0.44	<b>0.27</b>

Other entries: [[de Blas et al. 1905.03764](#)].



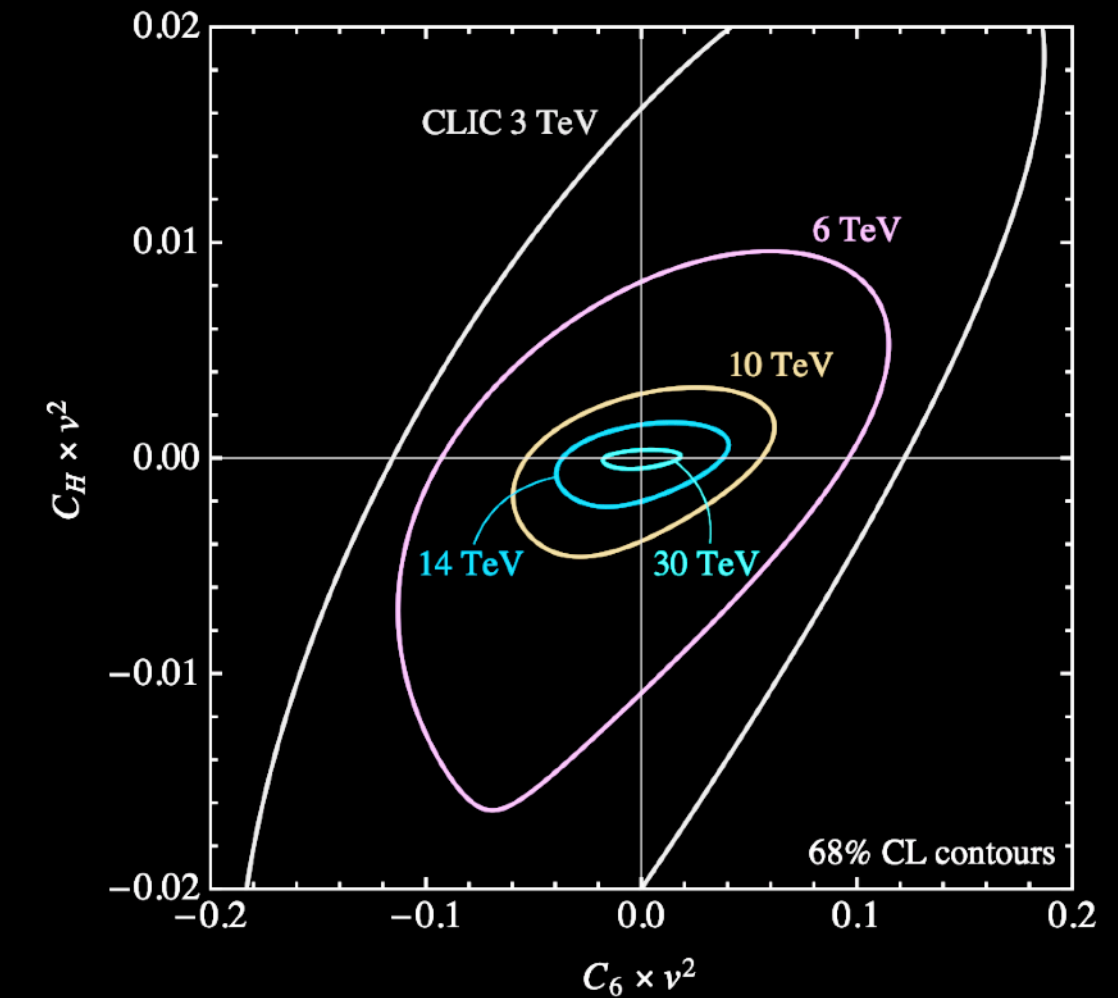
# Is it the SM Higgs?

## Higgs cubic self-coupling

[Han, Liu, Low, Wang 2008.12204]

$\sqrt{s}$ (TeV)	3	6	10	14	30
benchmark lumi ( $\text{ab}^{-1}$ )	1	4	10	20	90
$(\Delta\kappa_3)_{\text{in}}$	25%	10%	5.6%	3.9%	2.0%

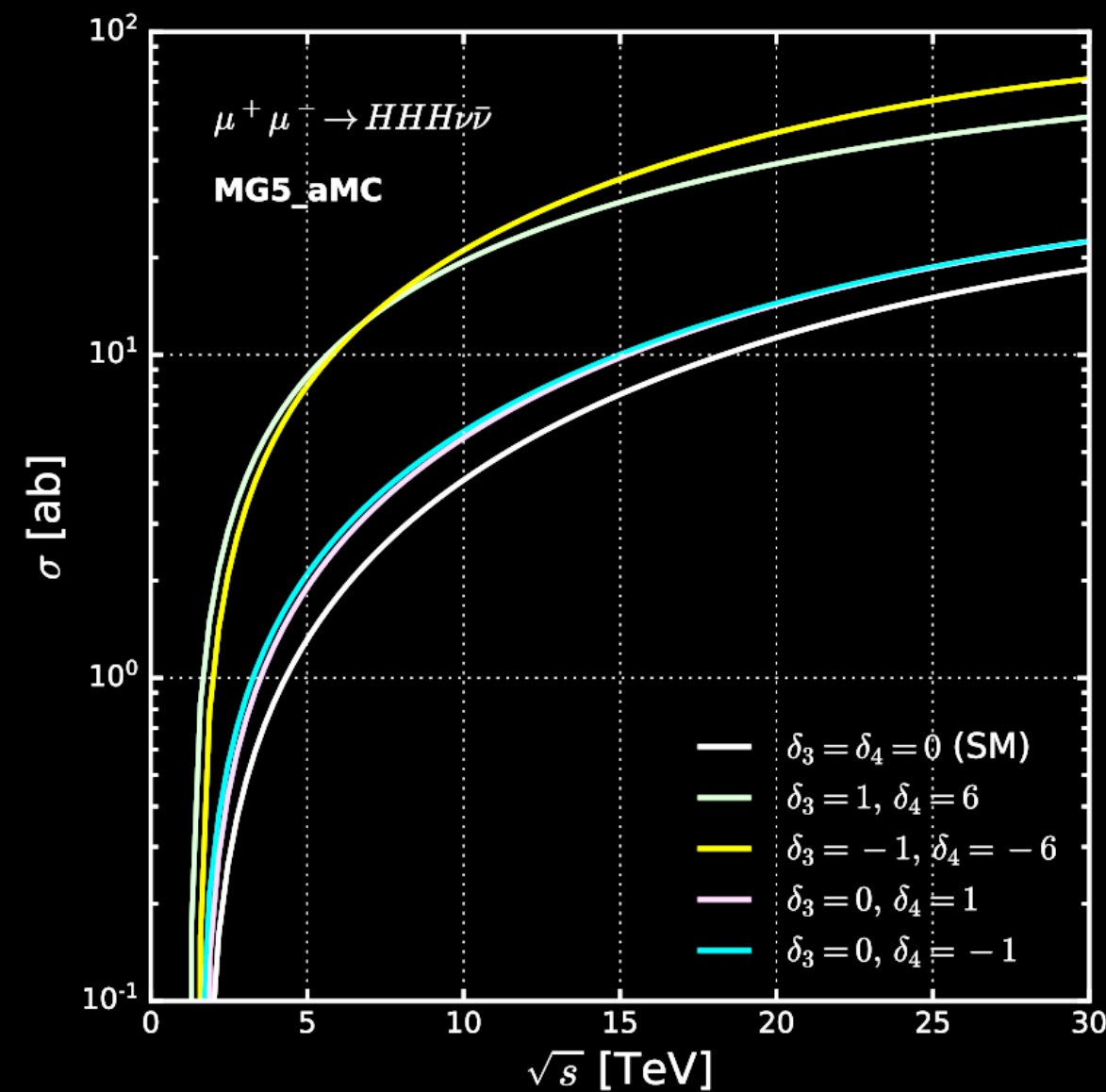
See L. Sestini's talk



[Buttazzo, Franceschini, Wulzer, 2012.11555]

## Higgs quartic self-coupling

[Chiesa, Maltoni, Mantani, Mele, Piccinini, Zhao 2003.13628]



$\sqrt{s}$ (TeV)	Lumi ( $\text{ab}^{-1}$ )	Constraints on $\delta_4$ (with $\delta_3 = 0$ ) x-sec only, acceptance cuts		
		$1\sigma$	$2\sigma$	$3\sigma$
6	12	$[-0.50, 0.70]$	$[-0.74, 0.95]$	$[-0.93, 1.15]$
10	20	$[-0.37, 0.54]$	$[-0.55, 0.72]$	$[-0.69, 0.85]$
14	33	$[-0.28, 0.43]$	$[-0.42, 0.58]$	$[-0.52, 0.68]$
30	100	$[-0.15, 0.30]$	$[-0.24, 0.38]$	$[-0.30, 0.45]$
3	100	$[-0.34, 0.64]$	$[-0.53, 0.82]$	$[-0.67, 0.97]$

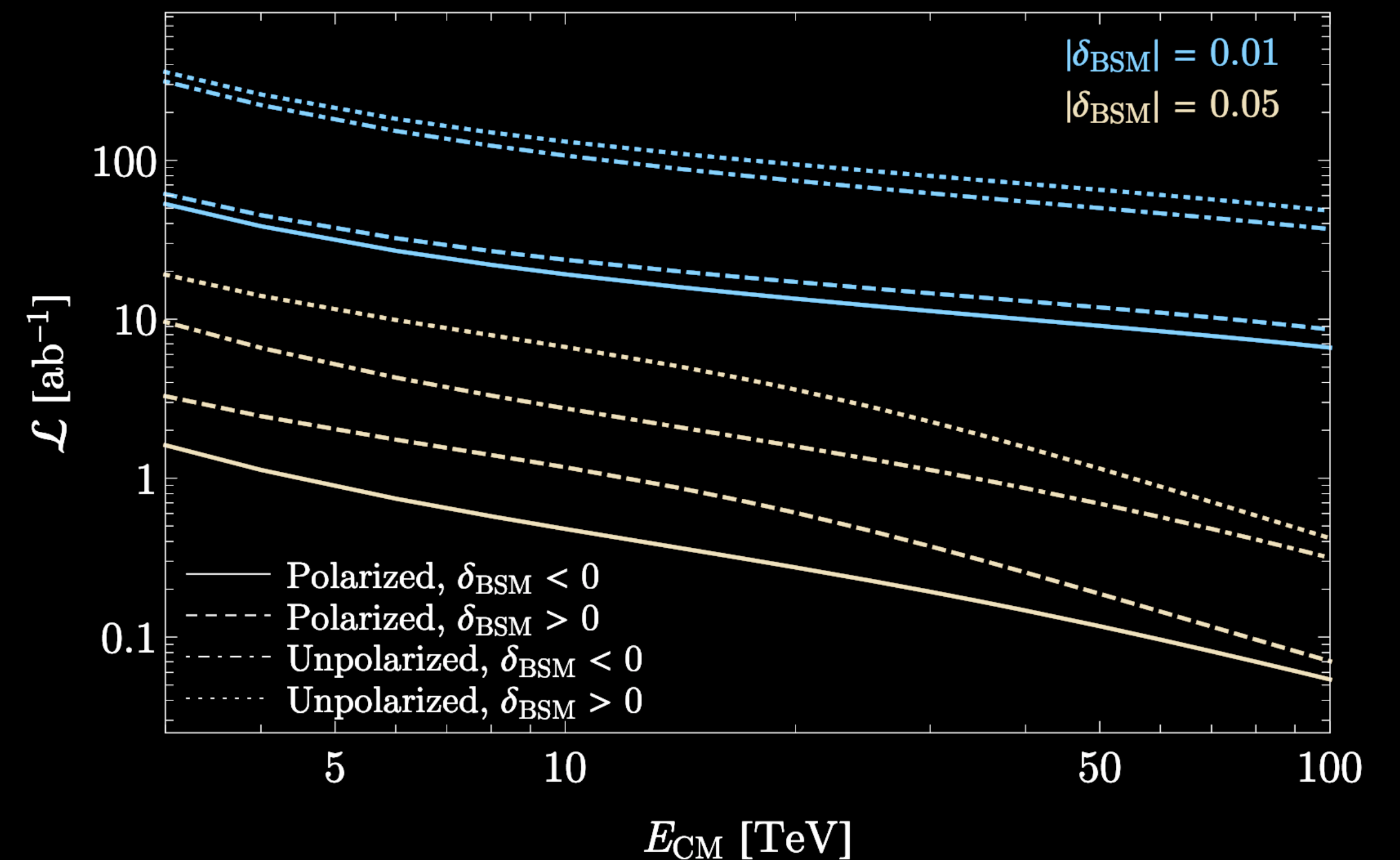
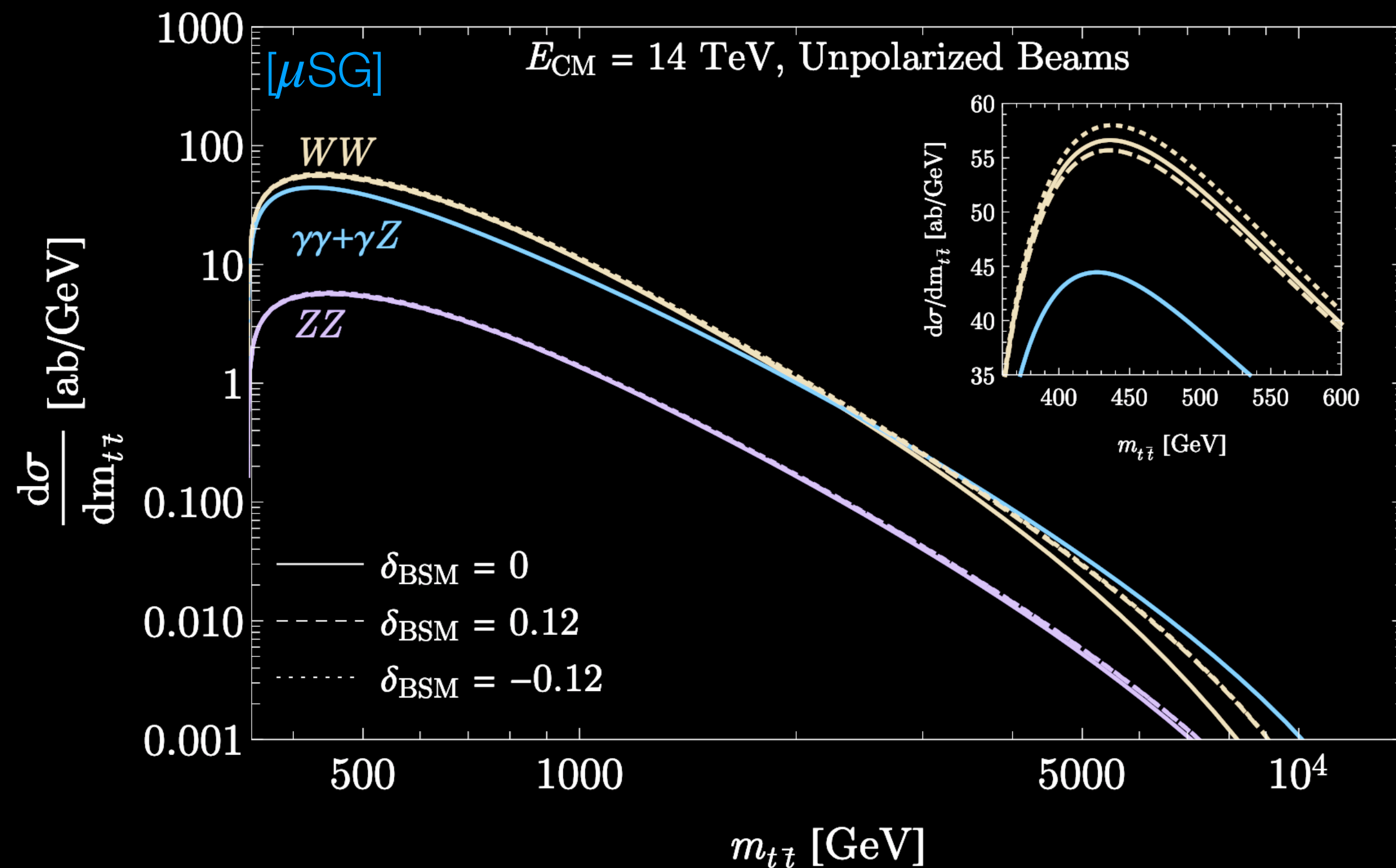
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High-energy measurements equally powerful [Buttazzo, Franceschini, Wulzer, 2012.11555]

For example: measuring Higgs-top coupling in high-energy  $t\bar{t}$

Expect to remain an interesting target after HL-LHC/Higgs factory ( $|\delta_{\text{BSM}}| < 0.06$ )

$$y_t \rightarrow y_t(1 + \delta_{\text{BSM}}) \quad \mathcal{M}(W_L^+ W_L^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}) \approx -\frac{m_t}{v^2} \delta_{\text{BSM}} \sqrt{\hat{s}} \quad \sqrt{\hat{s}} \gg m_t$$





# Is our Higgs the only one?

Many possible extensions of the scalar sector...

For illustration: a Standard Model singlet mixing with the Higgs.

See R. Franceschini's talk

$$h = h^0 \cos \gamma + S \sin \gamma$$

$$\phi = S \cos \gamma - h^0 \sin \gamma$$

Production:

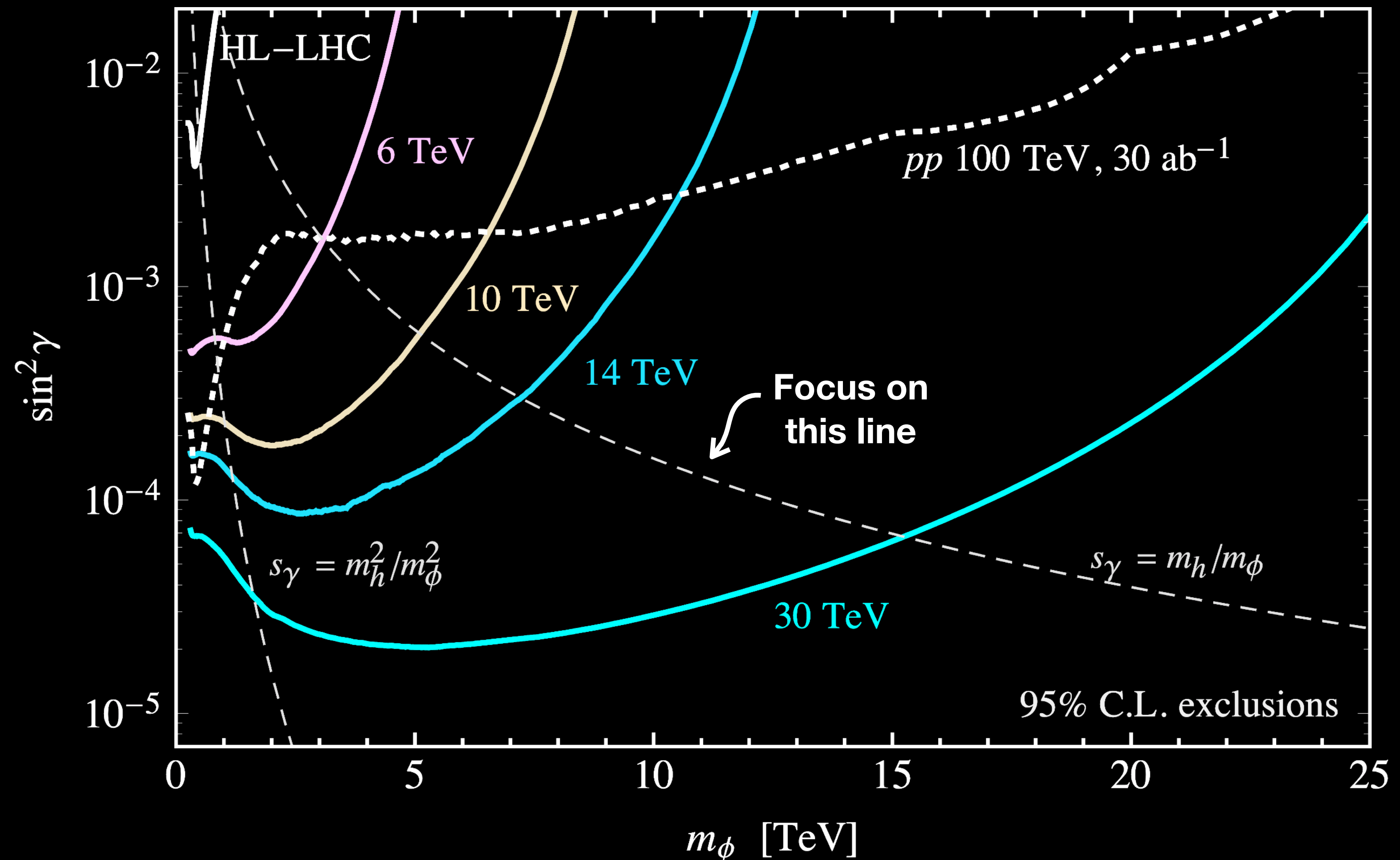
$$\sigma_\phi = \sin^2 \gamma \cdot \sigma_h(m_\phi)$$

Decay:

$$\text{BR}_{\phi \rightarrow f\bar{f}, VV} = \text{BR}_{h \rightarrow f\bar{f}, VV} (1 - \text{BR}_{\phi \rightarrow hh})$$

$$\text{BR}_{\phi \rightarrow hh} \sim 25\%$$

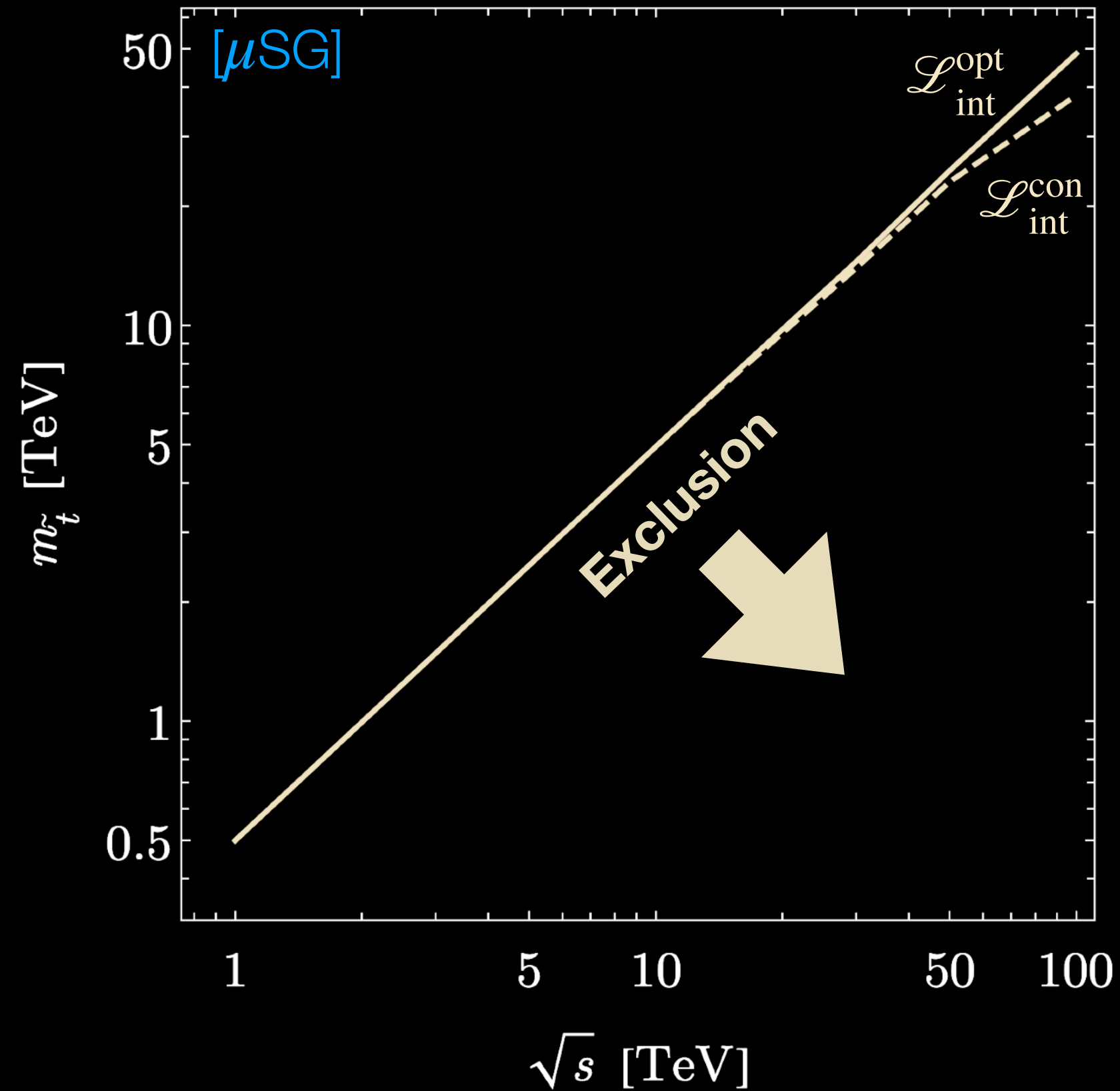
[Buttazzo, Redigolo, Sala, Tesi, 1807.04743; updated for  $\mu\text{SG}$ ]



# Why EWSB? What sets the scale?

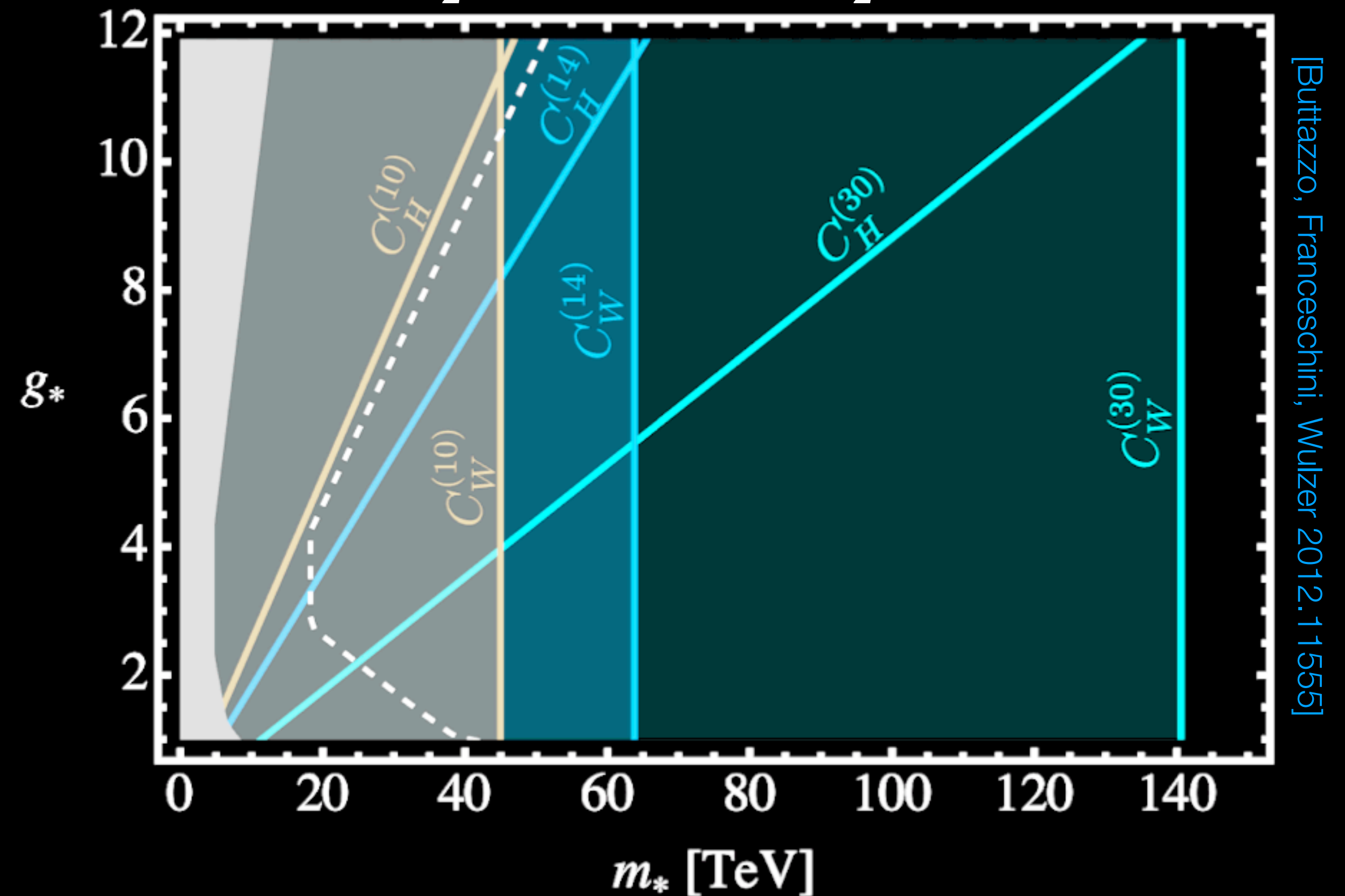
## Supersymmetry

$$\mu^+ \mu^- \rightarrow \tilde{t}_R \tilde{t}_R \rightarrow t\bar{t} + \chi\chi$$



## Composite Higgs

$$\text{Indirect } \mathcal{O}_H = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu |H|^2)^2, \quad \mathcal{O}_W = \frac{ig}{2} (H^\dagger \sigma^a D^\mu H) D^\nu W_{\mu\nu}^a$$



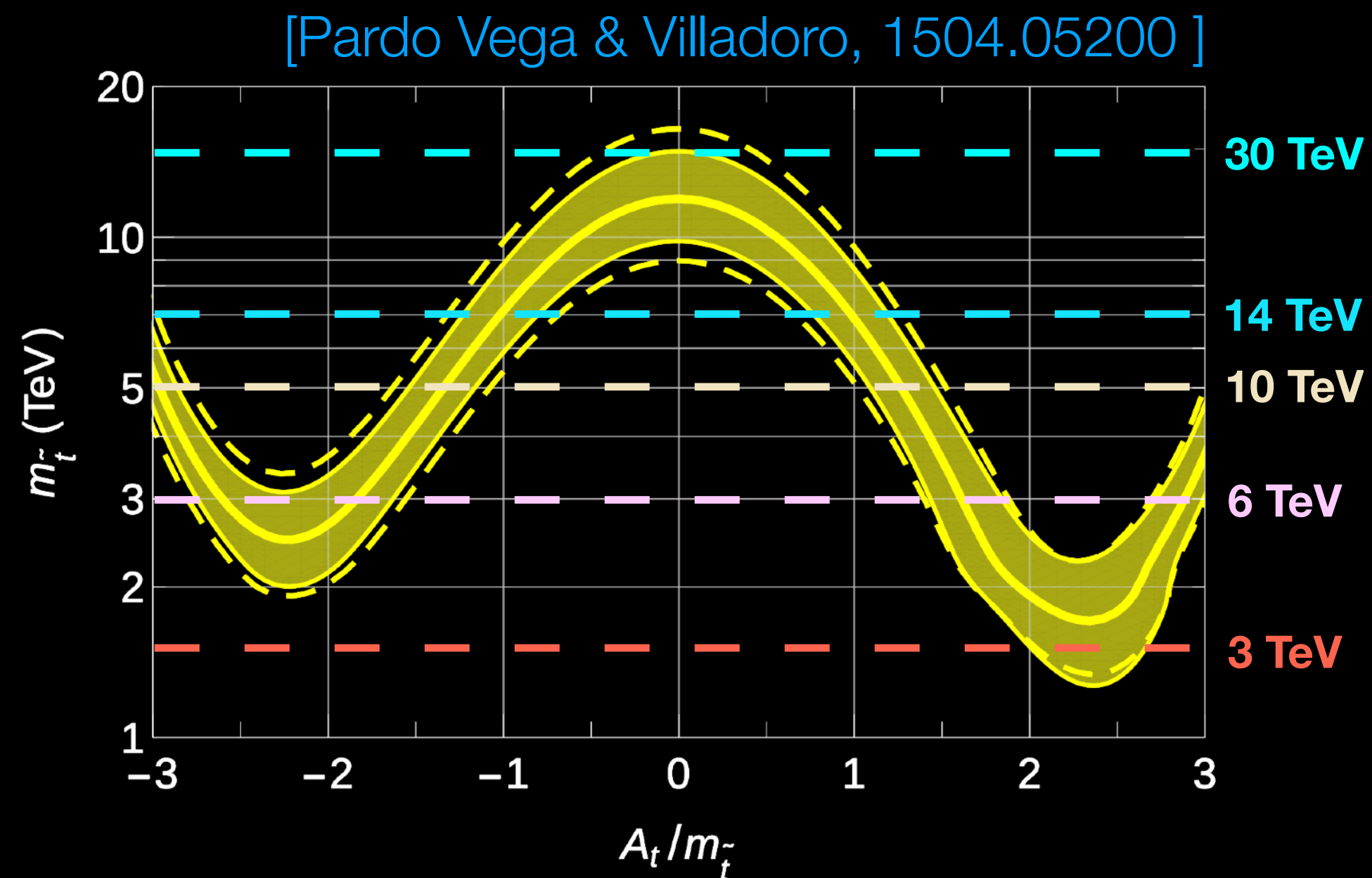
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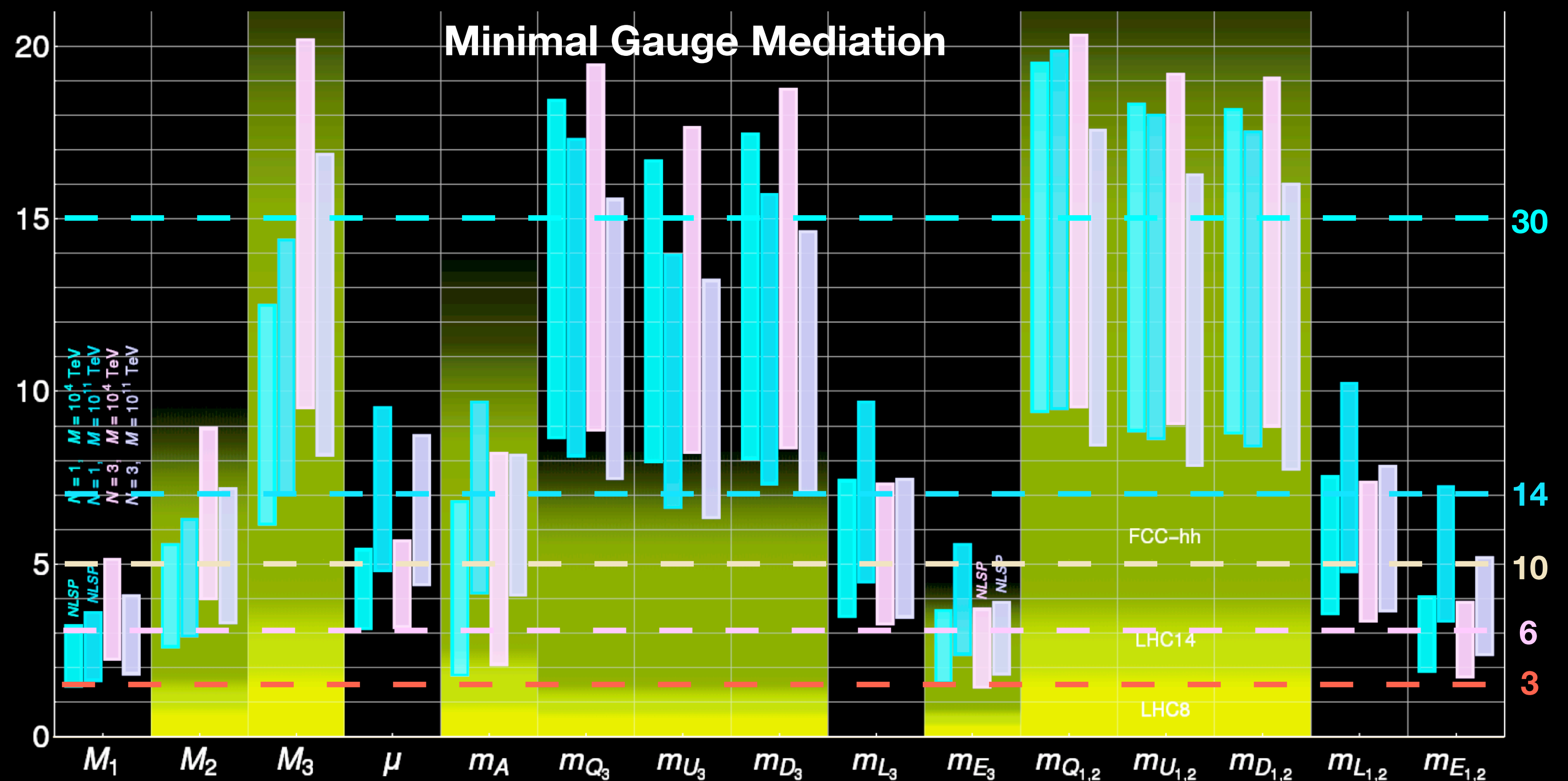
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*Theories that predict the Higgs mass provide sharp targets for the scale of new physics.*

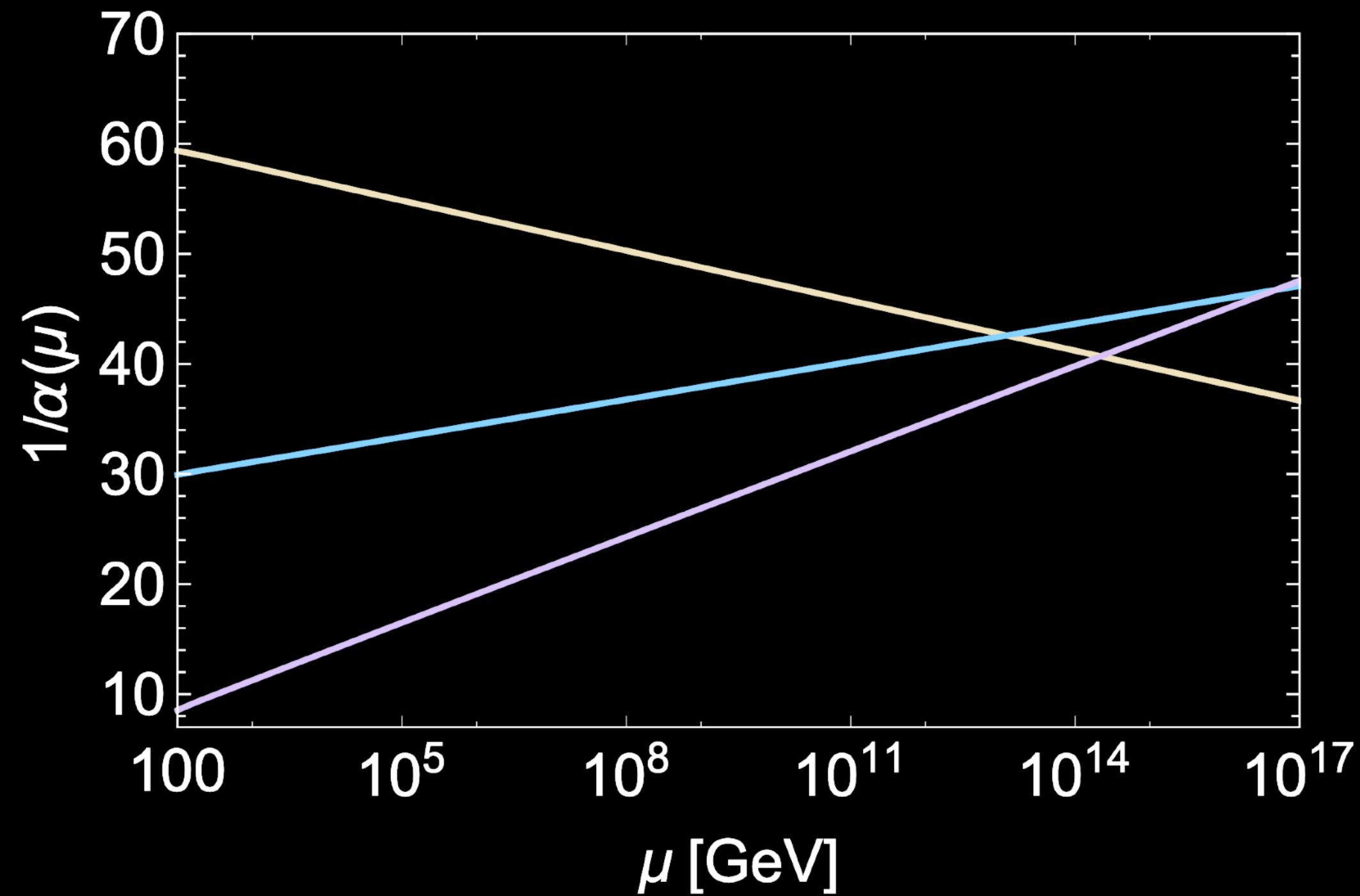
**Direct targets set by the observed Higgs mass (e.g. supersymmetry)**



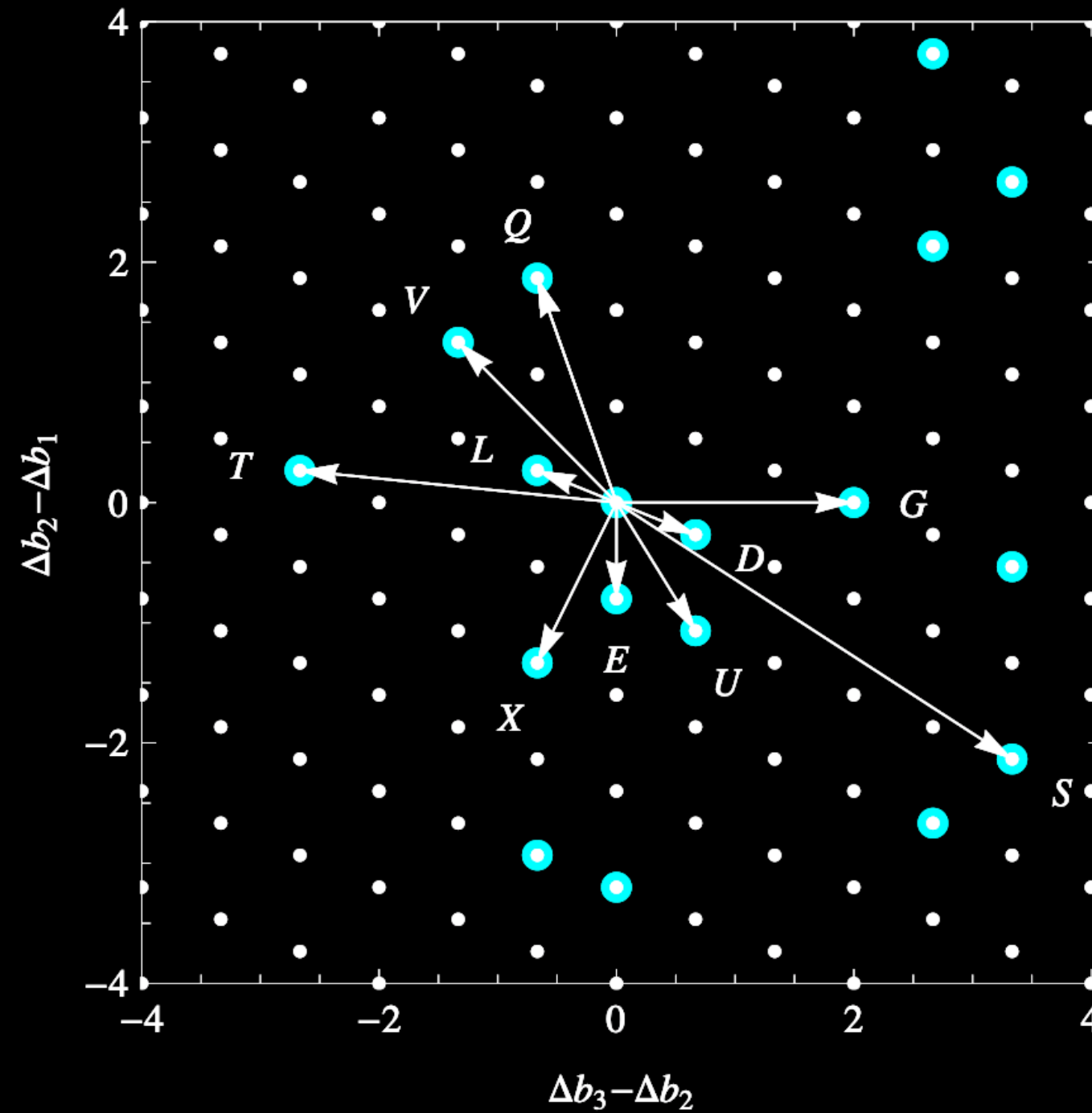
**Correlated opportunities in minimal frameworks**



# Unification beyond the Standard Model?

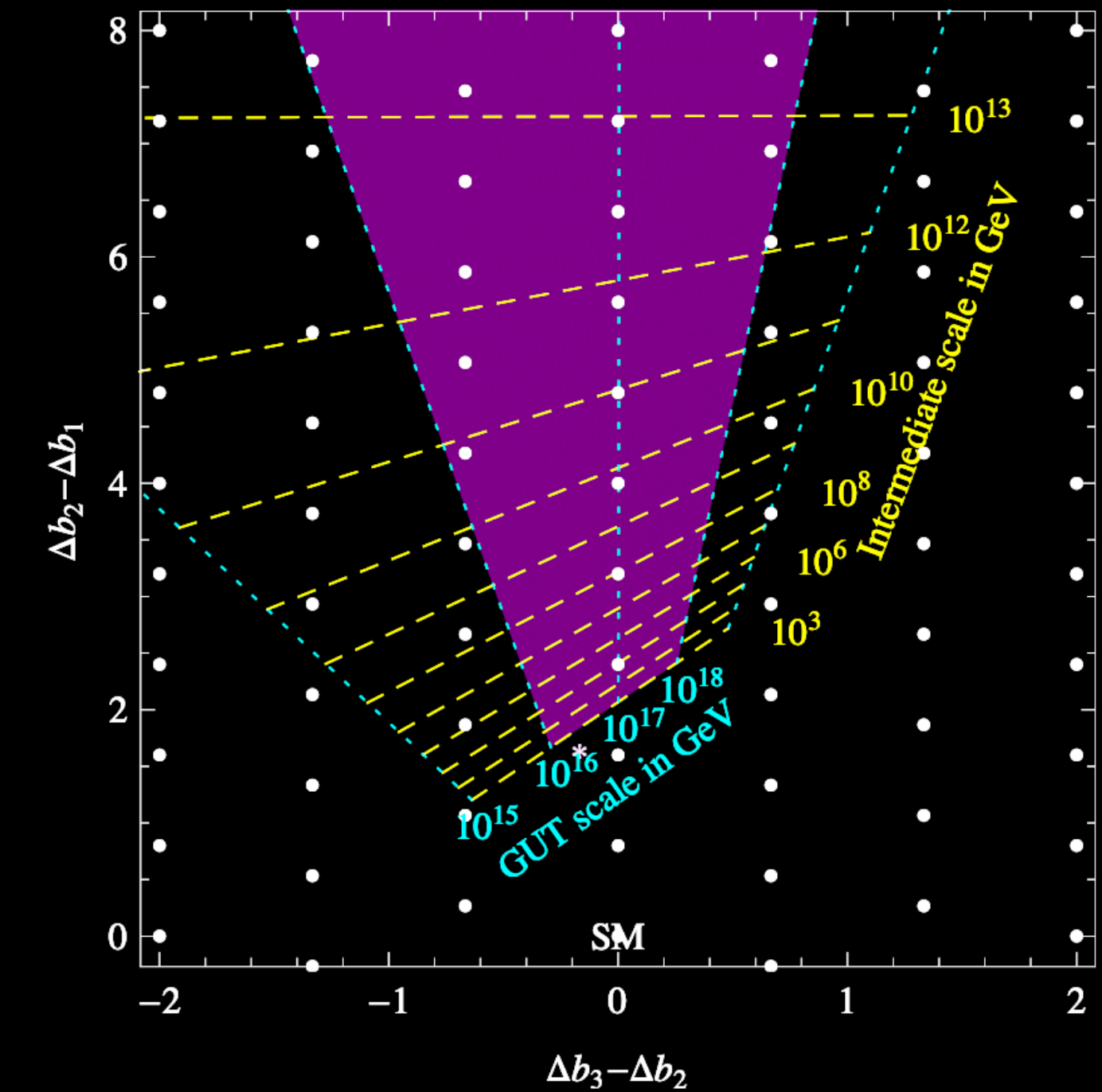


Running of couplings in the Standard Model tantalizingly hints at unification, but the intersection is imperfect & scale too low.



New particles at TeV energies sharpen the prediction & raise the scale: clear targets for a high-energy muon collider, reach to  $\sim\sqrt{s}/2$ .

[Giudice, Rattazzi, Strumia 1204.5465]





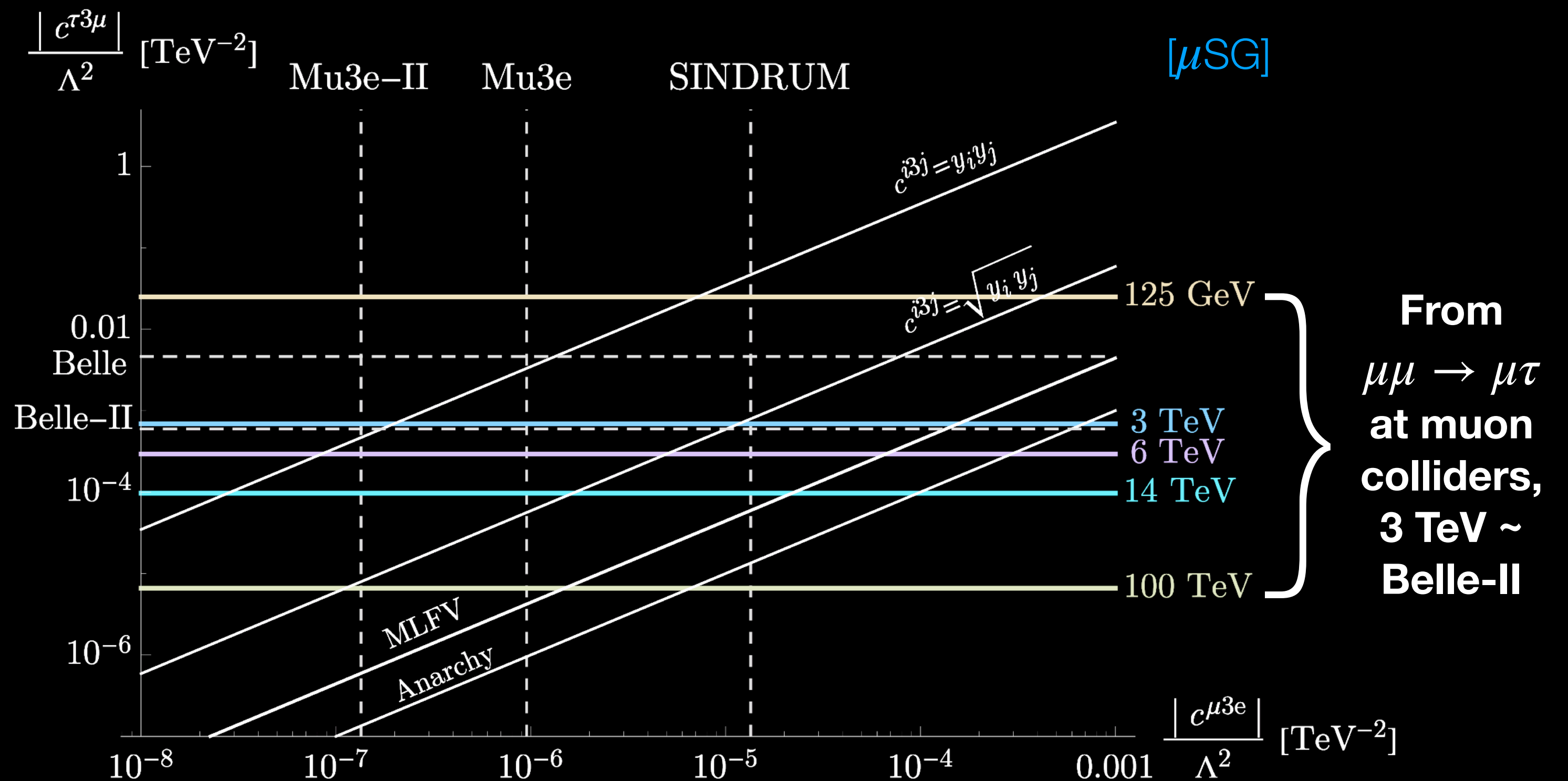
# What is the origin of flavor?

First high-energy accelerator to primarily collide second-generation fermions.

High collision energies provide:

**Direct access** to hypothetical new particles associated with flavor structure

**Indirect access** to flavor structure via lepton flavor violating operators



Muon colliders an outstanding probe of explanations for **B flavor anomalies**

[Huang, Queiroz, Rodejohann, 2101.04956; Huang, Sana, Queiroz, Rodejohann, 2103.01617, Asadi, Capdevilla, Cesarotti, Homiller 2104.05720]

# Is there a deeper reason for gauge symmetry?

We increasingly assume, but **do not know**, that  $h$  is\* part of an electroweak doublet  $H$ , i.e. that  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  is linearly realized by the known fields.

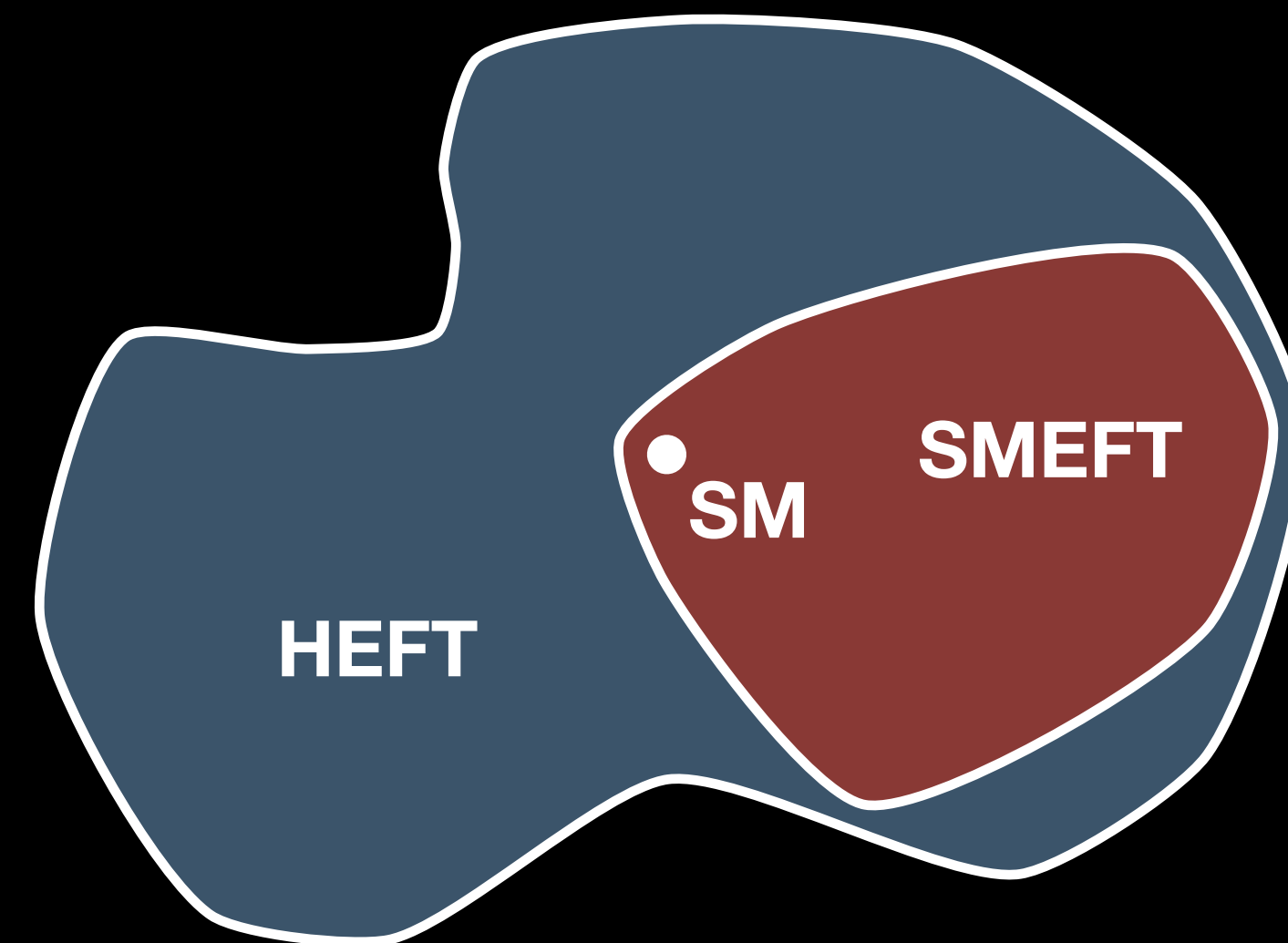
\*“is” = theory suitably well behaved when  $h$  packaged into  $H$

Equivalently: is the appropriate EFT

**SMEFT:**  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y, H$

or

**HEFT:**  $U(1)_{em}, h \text{ \& } \vec{\pi}$



Easy to obtain  $U(1)_{em}$ -symmetric EFT from  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ -symmetric UV theories. Showing that the linearly realized gauge symmetry of known particles is  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \leftrightarrow$  ruling out the coset “HEFT/SMEFT”, which necessarily violates unitarity by  $4\pi v$ .



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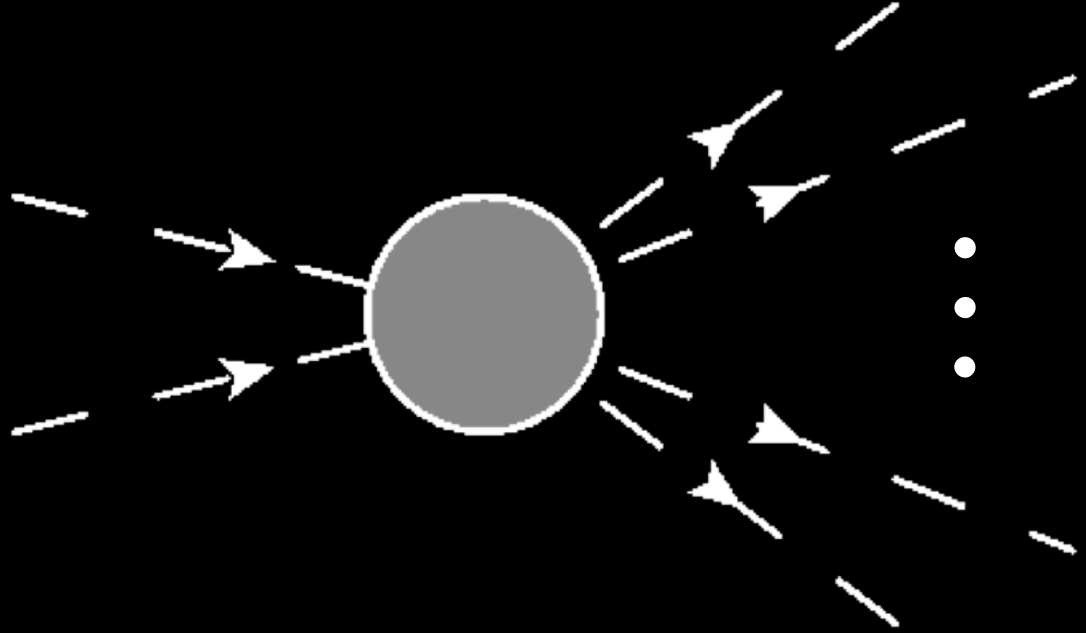
Long history of unitarity bounds in electroweak sector, a la [Lee, Quigg, Thacker '77]

Might expect HEFT vs. SMEFT is easy to settle by measuring  $2 \rightarrow 2$  processes out to  $4\pi v$ .

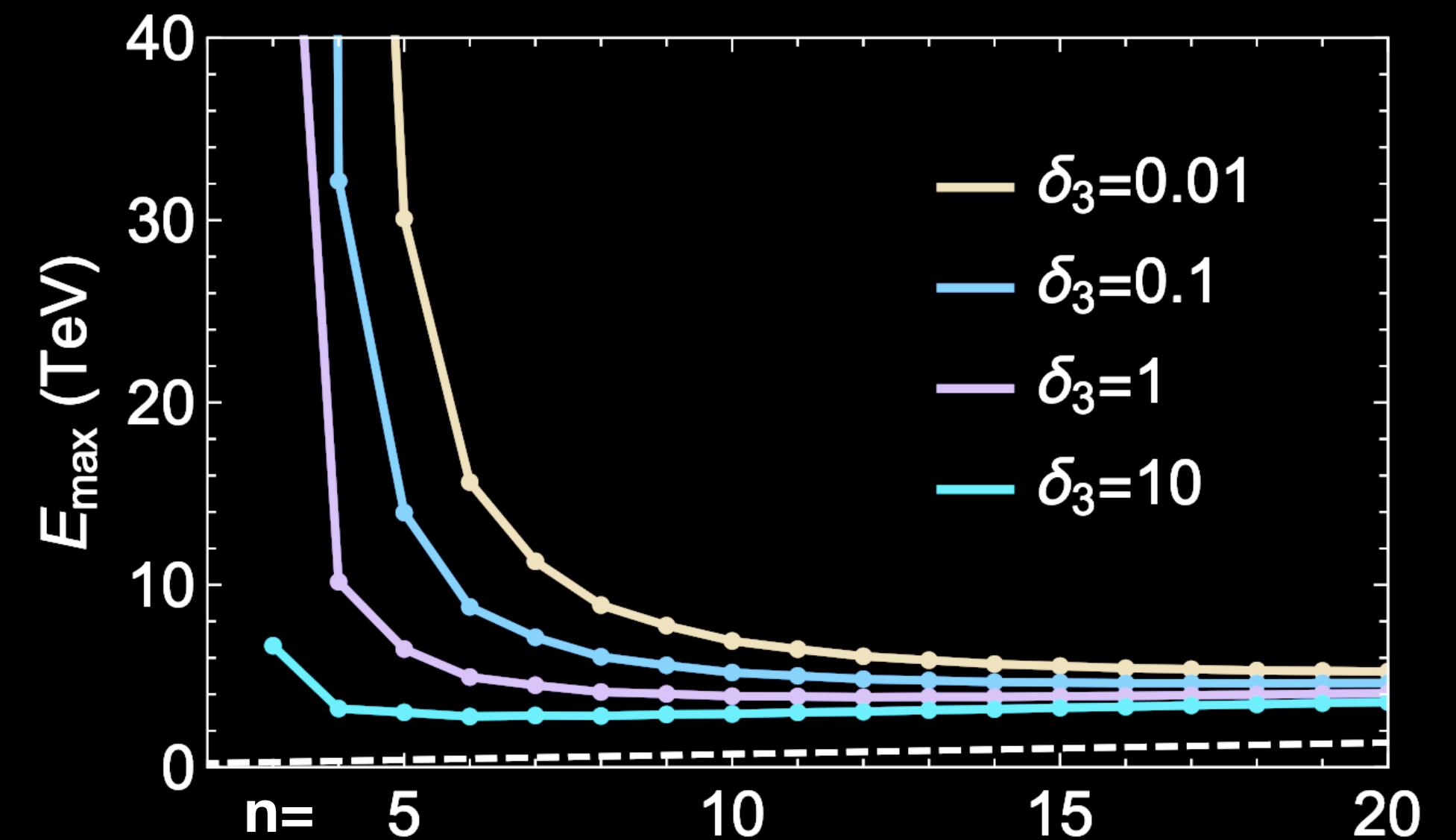
Alas, for some instances of HEFT (e.g. Higgs trilinear-only), requires  $2 \rightarrow$  many

**For example, trilinear-only modification  $\delta_3$  (HEFT only)**

Perturbative unitarity violation in  $V_L V_L \rightarrow$  multi- $h$  at  $\sqrt{s} \sim 4\pi v$  [Falkowski & Rattazzi '19]


$$\sigma(\pi_i \pi_j \rightarrow X) \propto \delta_3^2 \exp\left(\frac{s}{(4\pi v)^2}\right)$$

Scale of unitarity violation in  $Z_L^2 h^n$  [Chang, Luty '19]



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## Decisive test:

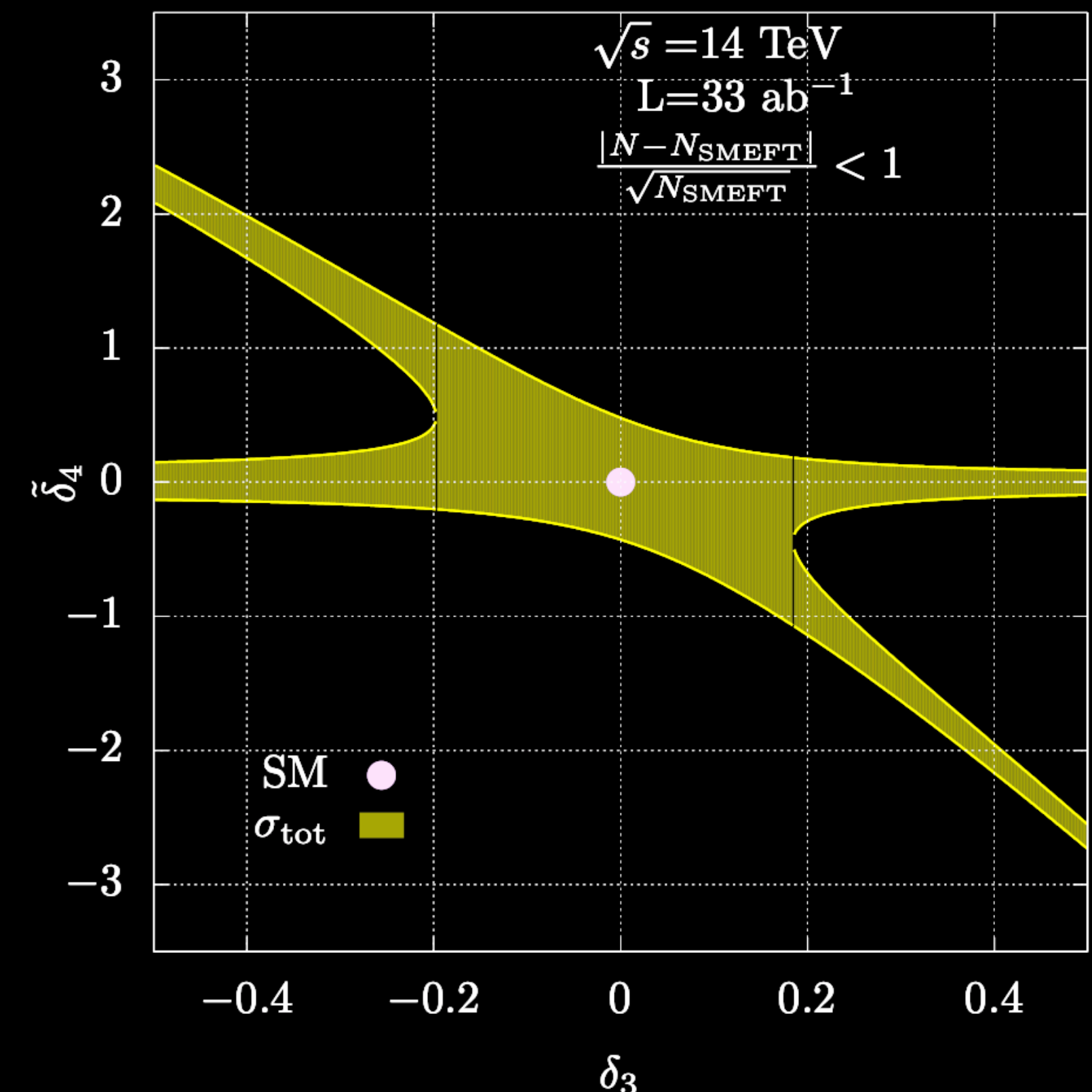
Measure comprehensive set of 2-to-2 and 2-to-few processes w/ longitudinal vectors & Higgs bosons at partonic energies above  $4\pi v \sim 3$  TeV.

- Beyond reach of the HL-LHC.
- Beyond reach of 3 TeV  $\mu C$ .
- *Ideal for 10-14 TeV  $\mu C$ .*

Not comprehensively studied yet, but relevant results encouraging, e.g. [Chiesa, Maltoni, Mantani, Mele, Piccinini, Zhao 2003.13628]

**Deviation from SMEFT correlation**  
(assuming dim-6 dominated)

$$\tilde{\delta}_4 \equiv \delta_4 - 6\delta_3$$





# What is the nature of dark matter?

3 TeV muon collider ideal for probing minimal electroweak DM

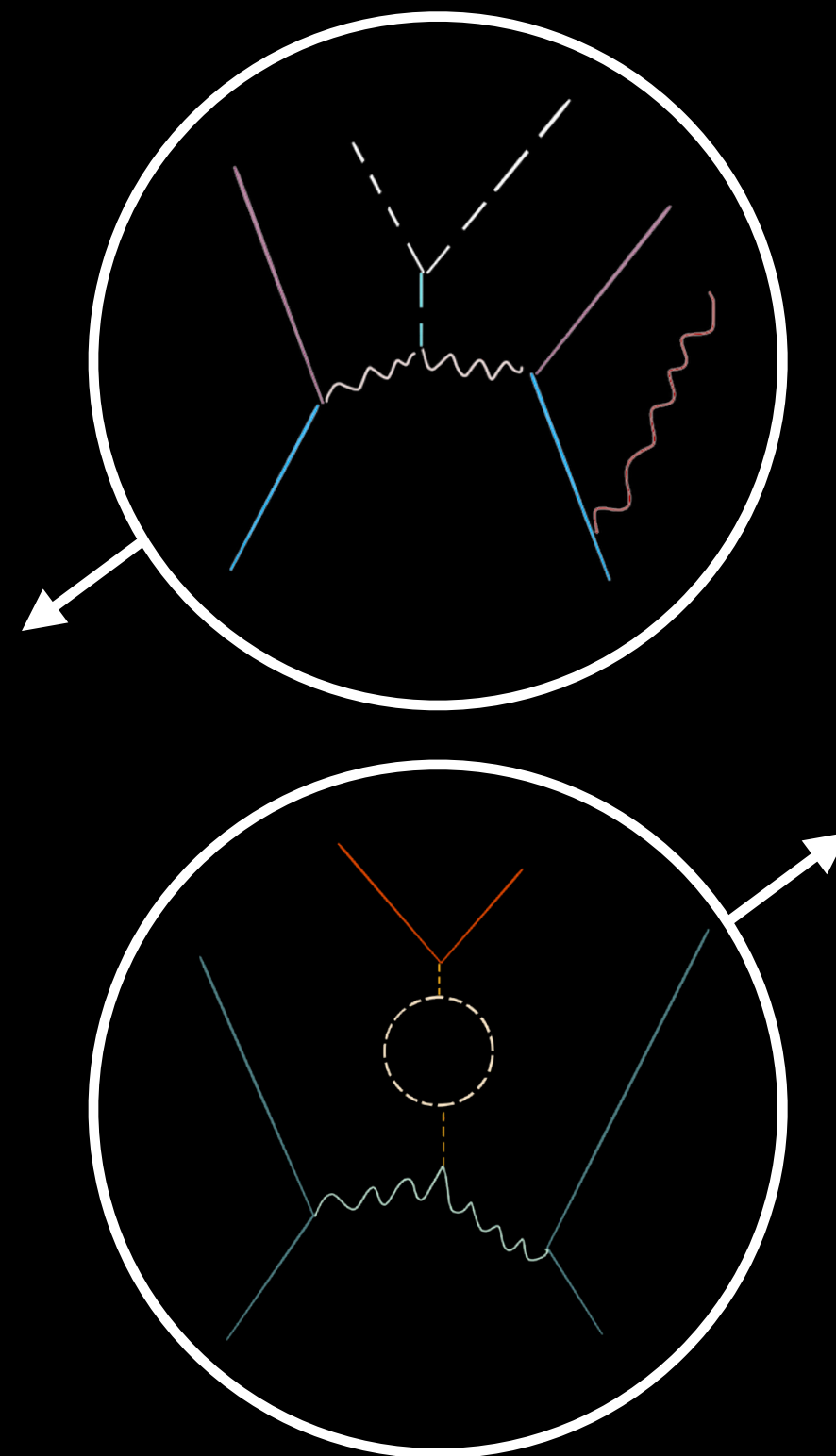
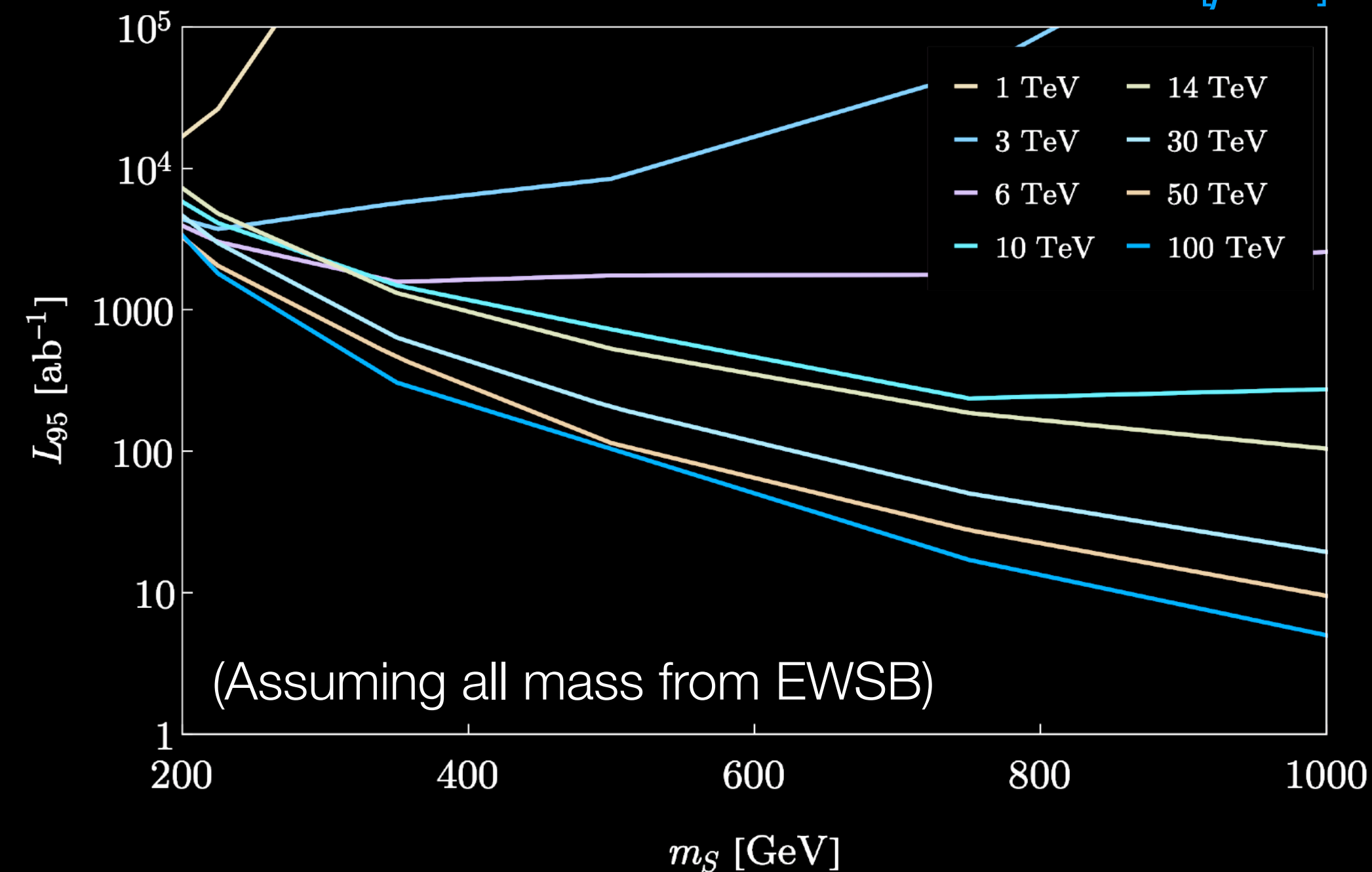
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Another candidate:  $Z_2$ -symmetric singlet coupling to Higgs (also interesting for EW phase transition, naturalness,...), the "nightmare scenario"

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\lambda_{HS} S^2 |H|^2$$

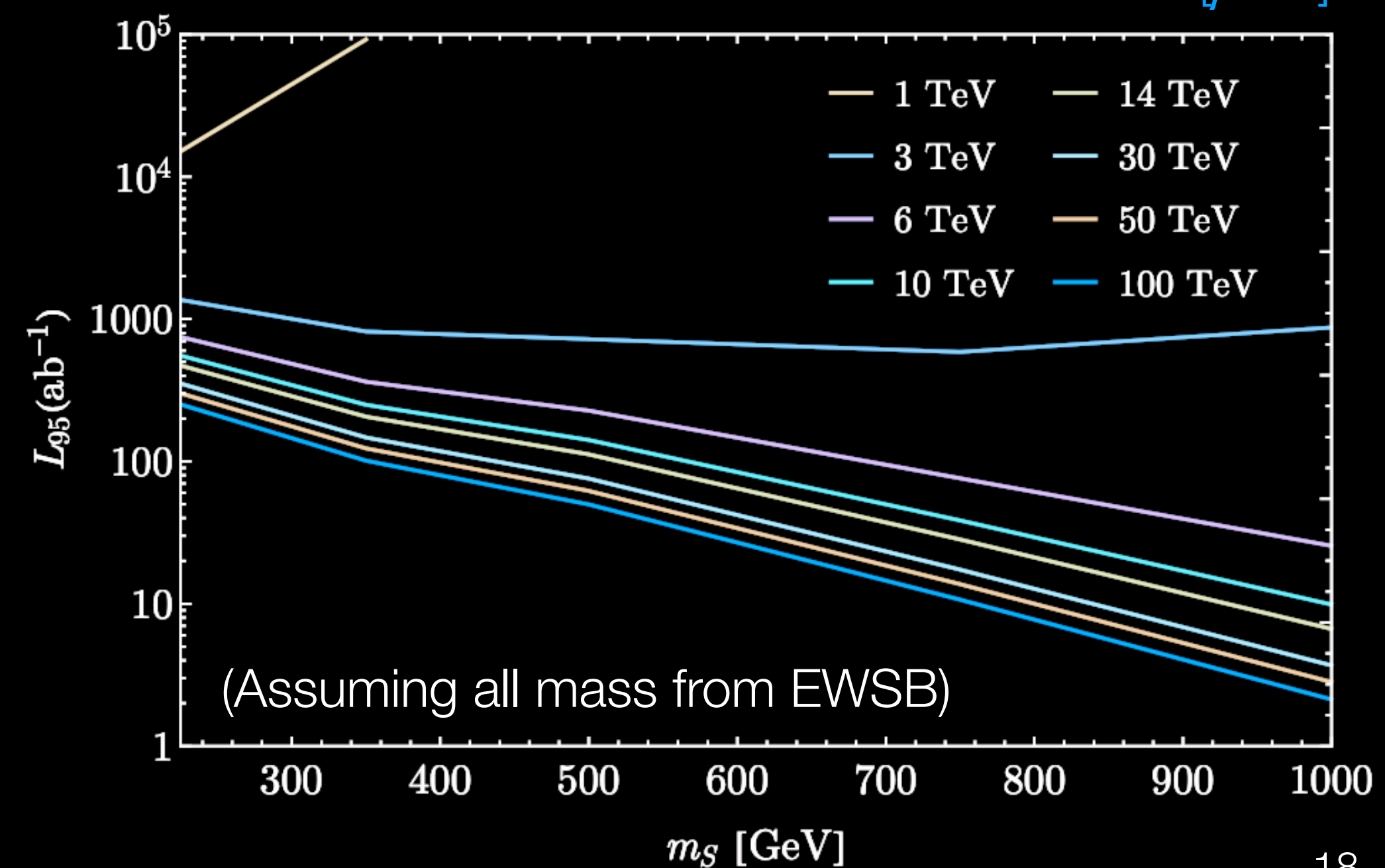
## Direct searches

[ $\mu$ SG]



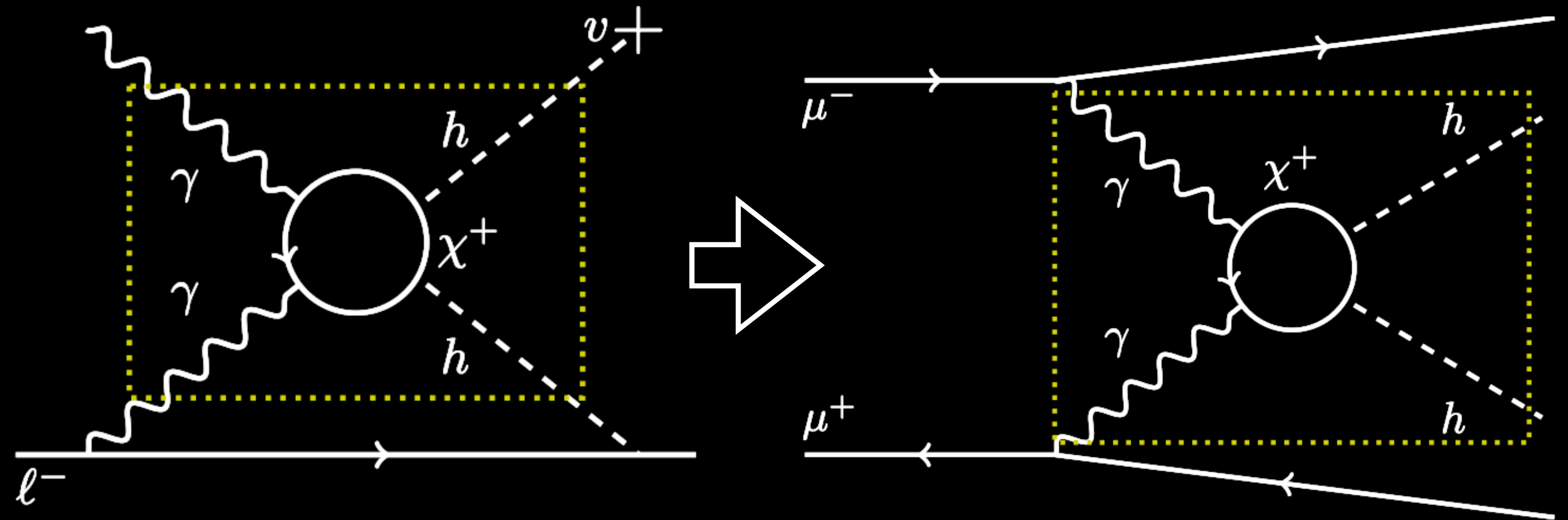
## Indirect search ( $t\bar{t}$ )

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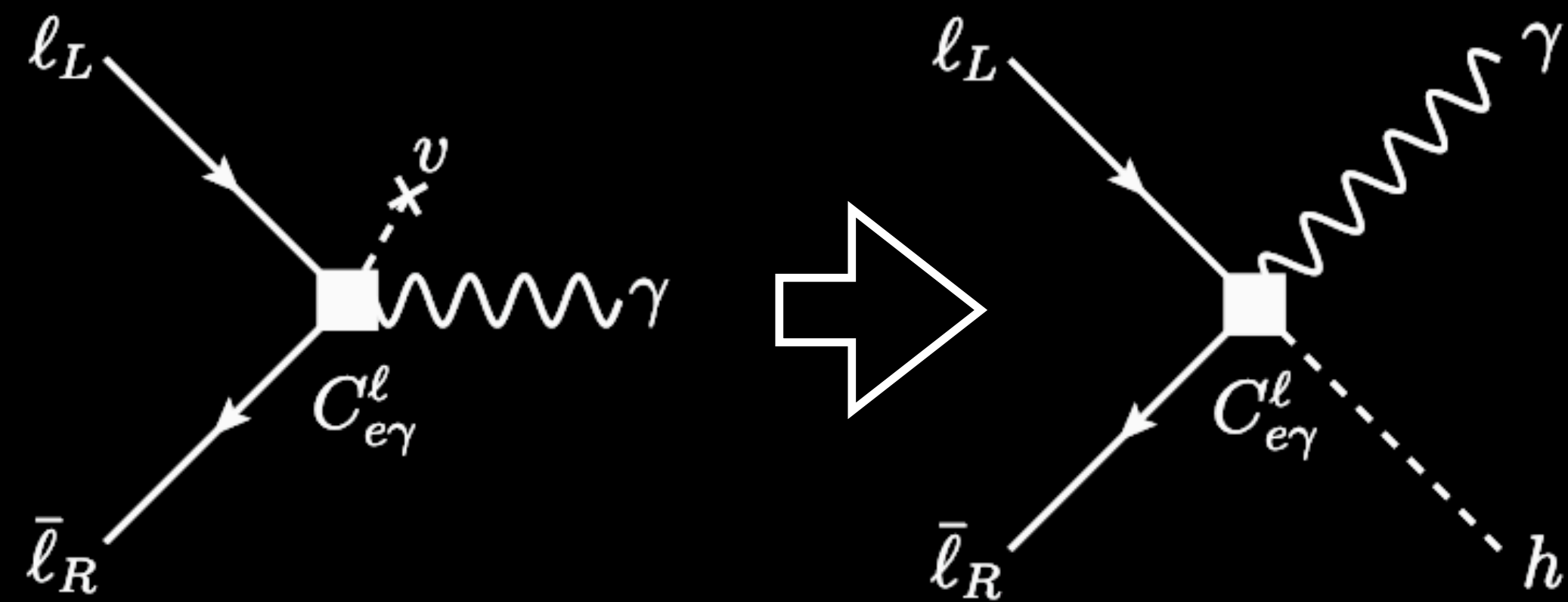


# Compelling complementarity

E.g. next-gen. **electron EDM** experiments sensitive to  $\sim 20$  TeV particles in Barr-Zee diagrams; same diagram probed in muon colliders



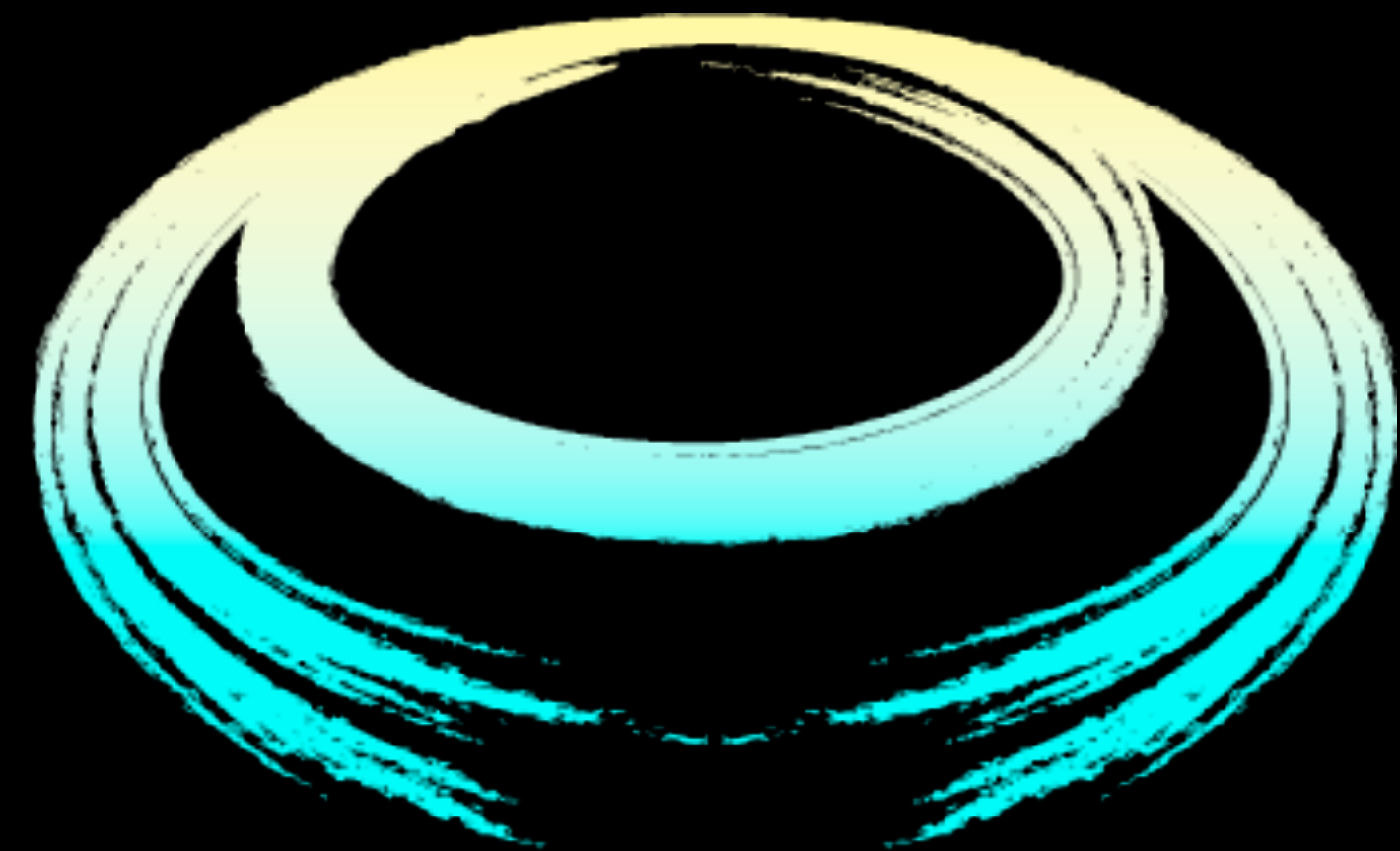
Any new physics contributions to **Muon g-2** efficiently probed at muon colliders  
 [Capdevilla, Curtin, Kahn, Krnjaic, 2006.16277; Buttazzo & Paradisi, 2012.02769; Capdevilla, Curtin, Kahn, Krnjaic, 2101.10334; Chen, Wang, Yao 2102.05619; Yin, Yamaguchi 2012.03928]



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*The muons are calling, and we must go.*

**Thank you!**