

Planck-safe BSM with Vector-like Quarks

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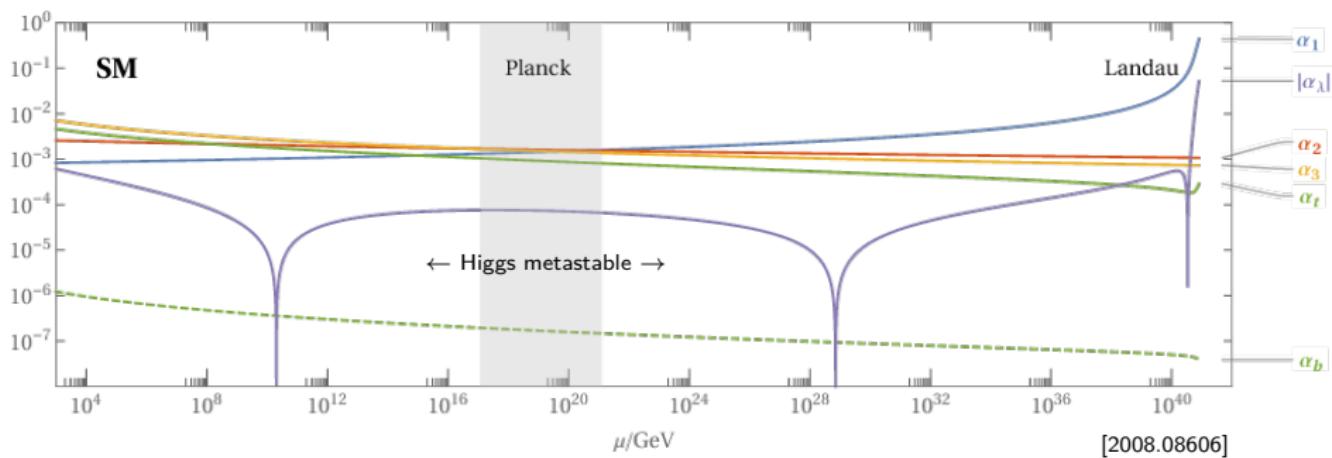
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Introduction

Standard Model RG Flow (3-loop)

$$\text{gauge: } \alpha_i = \frac{g_i^2}{16\pi^2}, \quad \text{Yukawas: } \alpha_{t,b} = \frac{y_{t,b}^2}{16\pi^2}, \quad \text{quartics: } \alpha_\lambda = \frac{\lambda}{16\pi^2}$$



- ▶ Higgs potential metastable ($\alpha_\lambda < 0$) at $10^{10} - 10^{29}$ GeV [1307.3536]
- ▶ Hypercharge Landau pole at 10^{41} GeV

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How can Planck safety be realized?

Model

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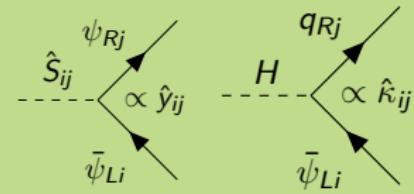
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- ▶ Now: Study models with VLQs!
⇒ Focus on two rep. under $U(1)_Y \times SU(2)_L \times SU(3)_C$:
 - Model I: $\psi = (-\frac{5}{6}, 2, 3)$
 - Model II: $\psi = (\frac{7}{6}, 2, 3)$
- ▶ Set New Physics scale to $\mu_0 = 1$ TeV
⇒ Accessible at colliders (→ talk by J. Erdmann)

Model Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \mathcal{L}_F + \mathcal{L}_S + \mathcal{L}_Y^{\text{BSM}} + \mathcal{L}_Y^{\text{portal}} + \mathcal{L}_V$$

$$-\mathcal{L}_Y^{\text{BSM}} = \hat{y}_{ij} \bar{\psi}_{Li} \hat{S}_{ij} \psi_{Rj} + \text{h.c.}$$

$$-\mathcal{L}_Y^{\text{portal}} = \begin{cases} \hat{\kappa}_{ij} \bar{\psi}_{Li} H^c D_j + \text{h.c.} & (\text{Modell I}) \\ \hat{\kappa}_{ij} \bar{\psi}_{Li} H U_j + \text{h.c.} & (\text{Modell II}) \end{cases}$$



- No renormalizable Yukawa portals via \hat{S}

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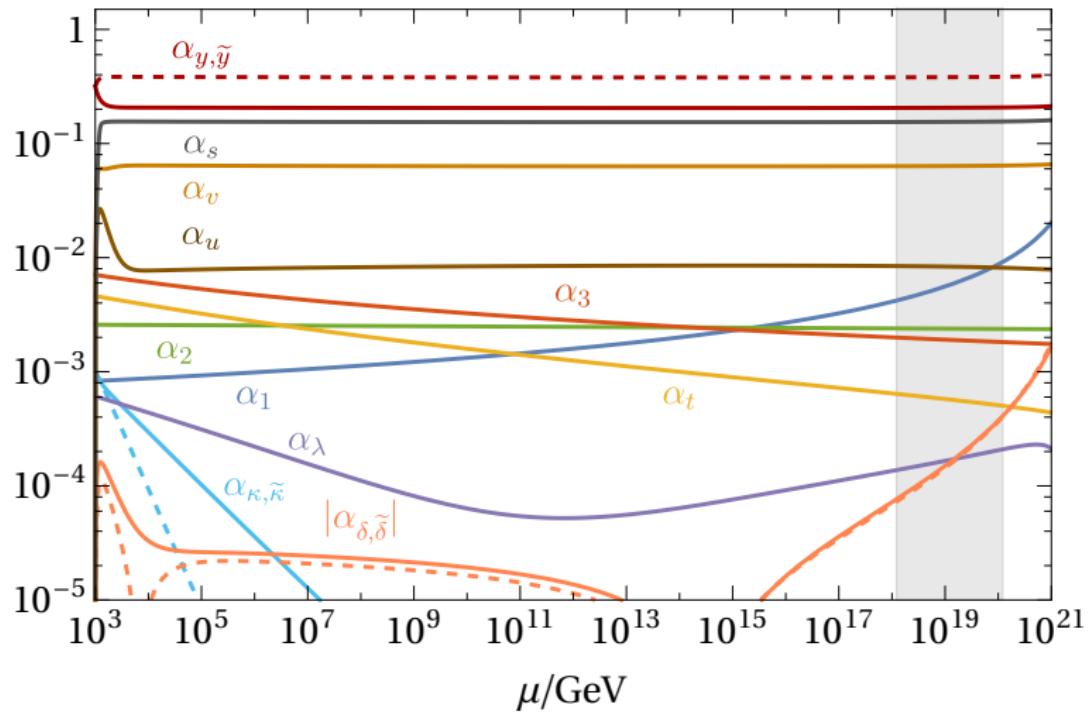
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- ▶ 3rd gen. BSM fields & couplings separated from first two gen.

$$\hat{y} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} y & y & 0 \\ y & y & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{y} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \hat{\kappa} \rightarrow \text{diag}(\kappa, \kappa, \tilde{\kappa})$$

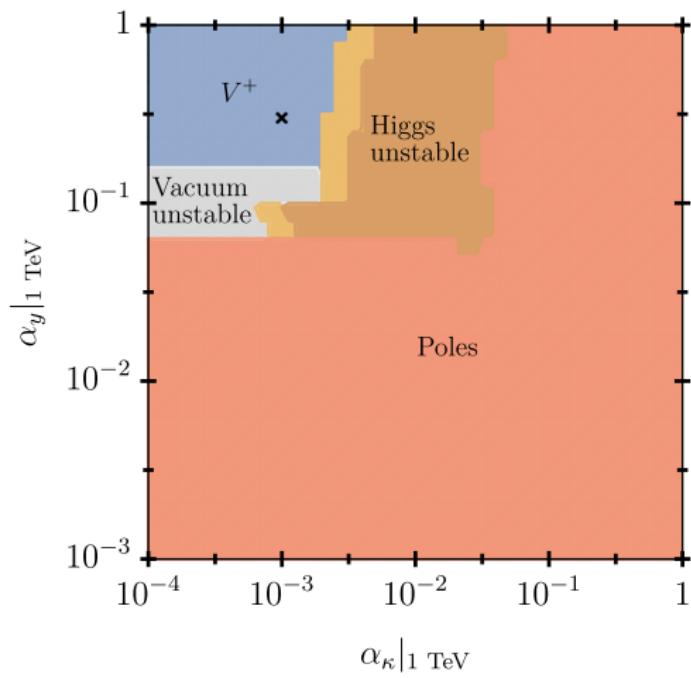
- ▶ Four independent scalar fields: $\hat{S} = \begin{pmatrix} S_{2 \times 2} & \phi_{L1 \times 2} \\ \phi_{R2 \times 1} & \varphi_{1 \times 1} \end{pmatrix}$
- ⇒ Decouple $\phi_{L/R}$ to reduce complexity

RG Analysis

Planck-safe RG Running (Model I)



BSM Critical Surface (Model I)



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⇒ Planck safety increases predictivity!

SMEFT Analysis

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$$\mathcal{O}_{Hq}^{ij} = i \left[(H^\dagger D_\mu H) - (D_\mu H)^\dagger H \right] (q_R^i \gamma^\mu q_R^j),$$

We induce $\mathcal{O}_{qH}^{ij} = (H^\dagger H)(\bar{Q}^i H^{[c]} q_R^j),$

$$\mathcal{O}_{H\square} = (H^\dagger H) \partial^\mu \partial_\mu (H^\dagger H),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_H = (H^\dagger H)^3$$

with $\frac{C_{Hq}^{ij}}{\Lambda^2} = \xi_q 8\pi^2 \frac{\alpha_{\hat{\kappa}_i}}{M_{F_i}^2} \delta_{ij}$, $\frac{C_{qH}^{ij}}{\Lambda^2} = 8\pi^2 Y_{ji}^{q*} \frac{\alpha_{\hat{\kappa}_j}}{M_{F_i}^2}$

where $\xi_q = -1 [+1]$ for $q = d [u]$ in Model I [II]

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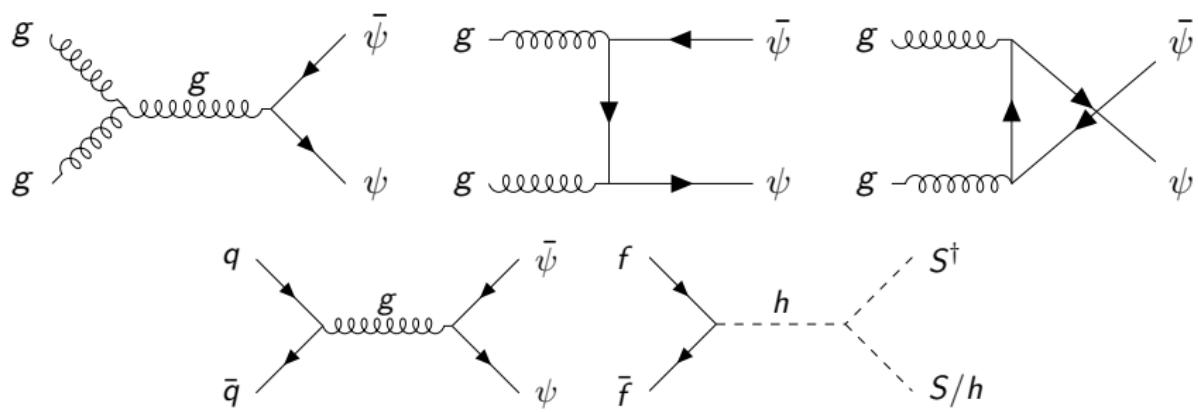
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 - ⇒ **Model II:** excluded for $M_F < 2.3$ (3.2) TeV! ✗
 - ⇒ Beyond collider limits ($M_F \lesssim 1.2 - 1.5$ TeV) [1806.01762, 1807.11883]

Focus on Model I for phenomenological analysis

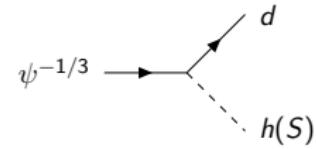
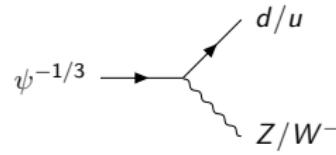
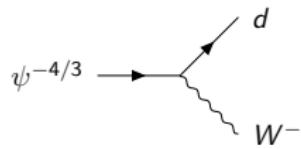
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BSM Sector Production

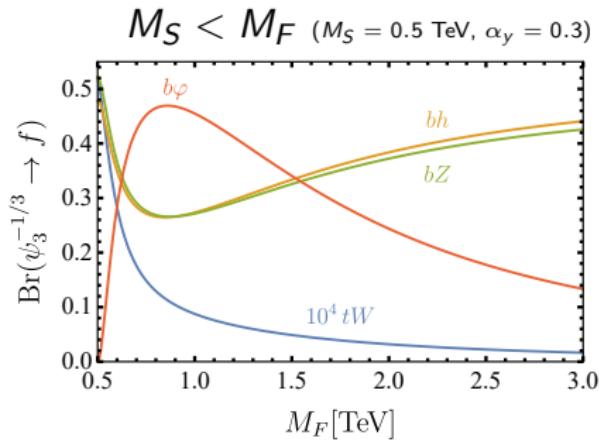
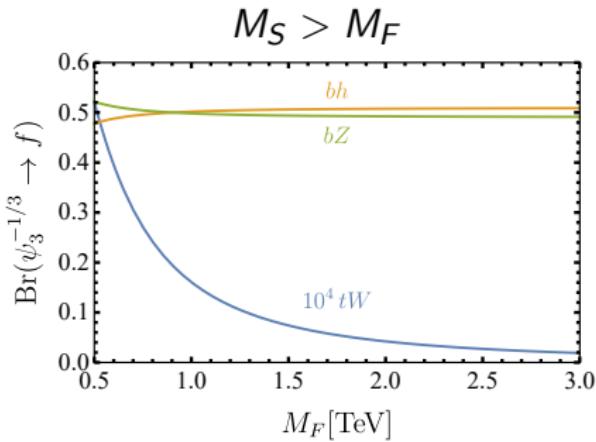


BSM Fermion Decays

- ▶ After EWSB ψ splinters into $(\psi^{-1/3}, \psi^{-4/3})^T$
- ▶ Exotic $\psi^{-4/3}$ decays exclusively via mixing as $\psi^{-4/3} \rightarrow dW^-$
- ▶ $\psi^{-1/3}$ decays to dZ , dh , uW and if $M_F > M_{\hat{S}}$ to $d\hat{S}$
- ▶ ψ decays are prompt unless $\alpha_\kappa \lesssim \mathcal{O}(10^{-14})$



Fermionic Branching Ratios



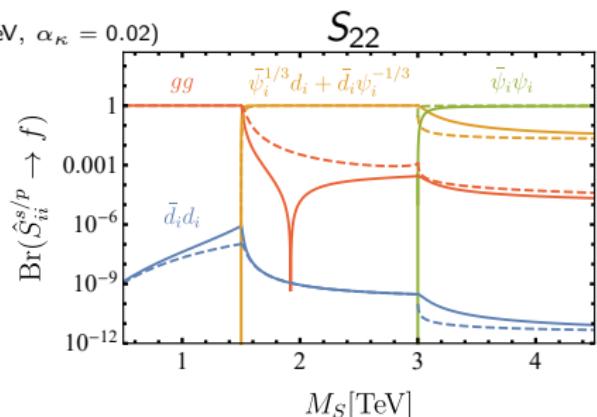
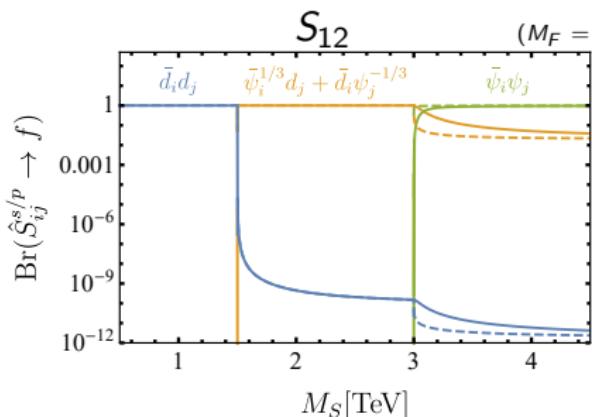
- ▶ $\psi_3^{-1/3} \rightarrow tW$ strongly suppressed by tiny LH mixing \Rightarrow negligible
- ▶ $\mathcal{B}(\psi_3^{-1/3} \rightarrow bH) \approx \mathcal{B}(\psi_3^{-1/3} \rightarrow bZ)$
- ▶ If open, $\psi_3^{-1/3} \rightarrow b\varphi$ dominant for $M_F \approx 1 \text{ TeV}$

Collider bounds

- ▶ From running of the strong coupling constant
 $\Rightarrow M_F \gtrsim 700 \text{ GeV}$ (from 139 fb^{-1} at $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$) [ATLAS-CONF-2020-025]
(\rightarrow *Details in Backup*)
- ▶ From pair production of exotic VLQs
 $\Rightarrow M_{F,3} \gtrsim 1350 \text{ GeV}$ (from 36.1 fb^{-1} at $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$) [1707.03347]
- ▶ Bounds on $\frac{\alpha_F}{M_F^2}$ from mixing (single production, $W/Z/H$ -couplings)
 \Rightarrow Similar to SMEFT bounds
 \Rightarrow Compatible with Planck safety bounds

BSM Scalar Decays

- ▶ Physical d.o.f. are (pseudo-)scalar components of \hat{S}
- ▶ Decay as $\hat{S}_{ij} \rightarrow \bar{d}_i d_j, \bar{\psi}_i^{1/3} d_j, \bar{d}_i \psi_j^{-1/3}, \bar{\psi}_i \psi_j$
- ▶ \hat{S}_{ii} also decay via triangle loops to two gauge bosons
 $\Rightarrow \hat{S}_{ii} \rightarrow gg$ strongly dominates over $\hat{S}_{ii} \rightarrow ZZ, \gamma\gamma, WW, Z\gamma$



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SM + 3 gen. of VLQs $\psi_i = (-\frac{5}{6}/\frac{7}{6}, 2, 3)$ and flavorful singlet scalar \hat{S}_{ij}

- ▶ Planck safety constrains Yukawas: $\alpha_{y,\tilde{y}}|_{\mu_0} \gtrsim 10^{-1}$
⇒ SMEFT fit combination: Model II excluded for $M_F \lesssim 3$ TeV
- ▶ Phenomenological analysis Model I
⇒ Strongest VLQ mass bound (collider searches): $M_F \gtrsim 1350$ GeV
⇒ Mixing bounds on $\alpha_{\hat{\kappa}}$ in agreement with Planck safety bounds
⇒ Dominant decay channels:

$$\psi^{-4/3} \rightarrow dW^-$$

$$\psi^{-1/3} \rightarrow dZ, dH[, dS] \text{ [if kinematically open]}$$

$$\hat{S}_{ij(ii)} \rightarrow [\bar{\psi}\psi](, gg) \text{ [if kinematically open]}$$

BACKUP

Flavor Symmetry Breaking

$$\mathcal{G}_F = U(3)_q^3 \otimes U(3)_\ell^2 \otimes U(3)_\psi^2 \otimes U(3)_S^2$$

- ▶ $\hat{\gamma}$ identifies $U(3)_S^2$ with $U(3)_\psi^2$
- ▶ BSM fermion mass term identifies $U(3)_{\psi_L}$ with $U(3)_{\psi_R}$
- ▶ $\hat{\kappa}$ identifies $U(3)_{\psi_L}$ with $U(3)_D$ ($U(3)_U$) in Model I (II)
- ▶ y_t, y_b break $U(3)_q^3 \rightarrow U(2)_q^3 \times U(1)_q^3$

⇒ Breaking of $U(3)_q^3$ propagates through the whole BSM sector

Vacuum Stability

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_V = & \lambda (H^\dagger H)^2 + s (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 + u \text{Tr}(S^\dagger S S^\dagger S) + v \text{Tr}(S^\dagger S) \text{Tr}(S^\dagger S) \\ & + \delta (H^\dagger H) \text{Tr}(S^\dagger S) + \tilde{\delta} (H^\dagger H) (\phi^\dagger \phi) + w (\phi^\dagger \phi) \text{Tr}(S^\dagger S),\end{aligned}$$

Scalar potential has to be bounded from below!

⇒ Vacuum stability conditions: [1501.03061, 1205.3781]

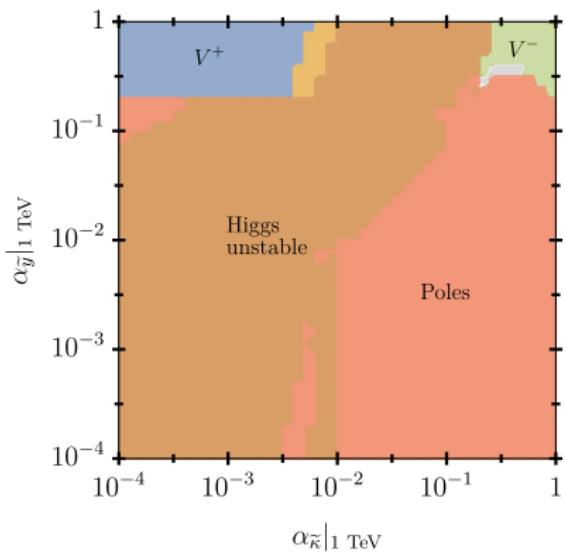
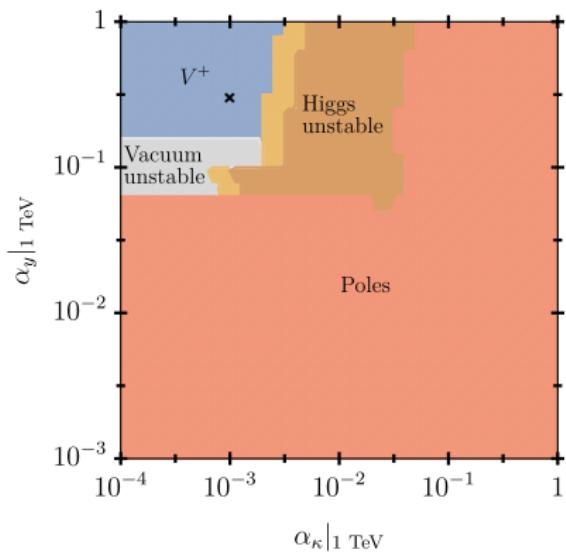
$$\lambda > 0, \quad \Delta > 0, \quad s > 0,$$

$$\delta' = \delta + 2\sqrt{\lambda\Delta} > 0, \quad \tilde{\delta}' = \tilde{\delta} + 2\sqrt{\lambda s} > 0, \quad w' = w + 2\sqrt{s\Delta} > 0,$$

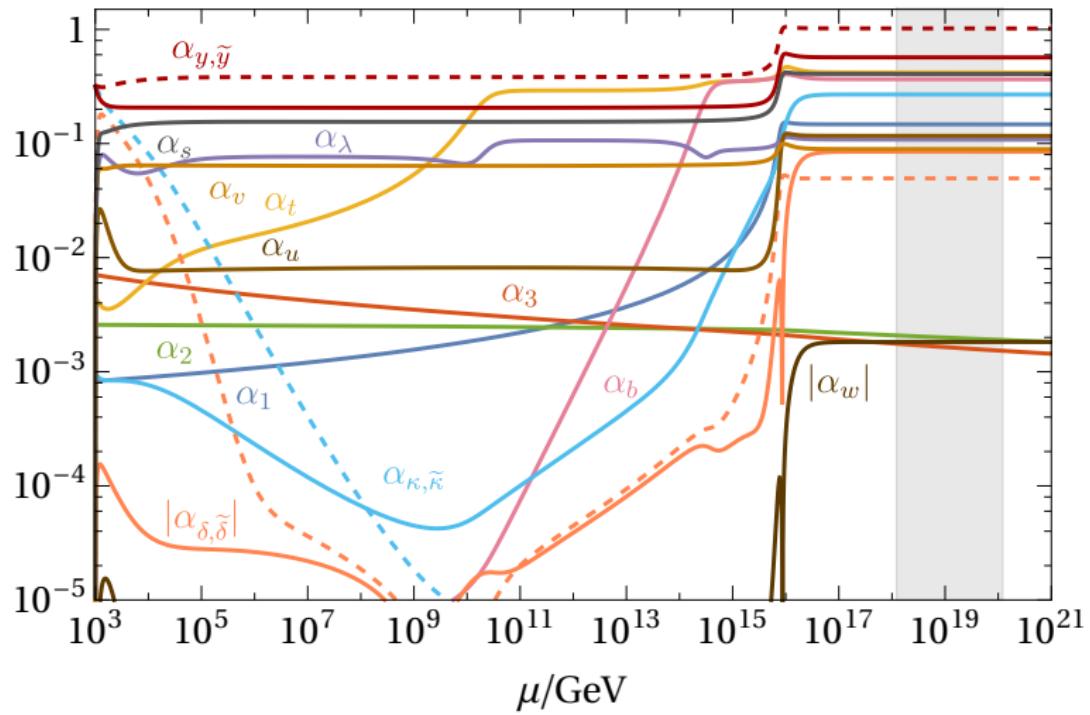
$$2\sqrt{\lambda\Delta s} + \delta\sqrt{s} + \tilde{\delta}\sqrt{\Delta} + w\sqrt{\lambda} + \sqrt{\delta'\tilde{\delta}'w'} > 0$$

$$\text{where } \Delta = \begin{cases} \frac{u}{2} + v > 0 & \text{for } u > 0 \quad (V^+) \\ u + v > 0 & \text{for } u < 0 \quad (V^-) \end{cases},$$

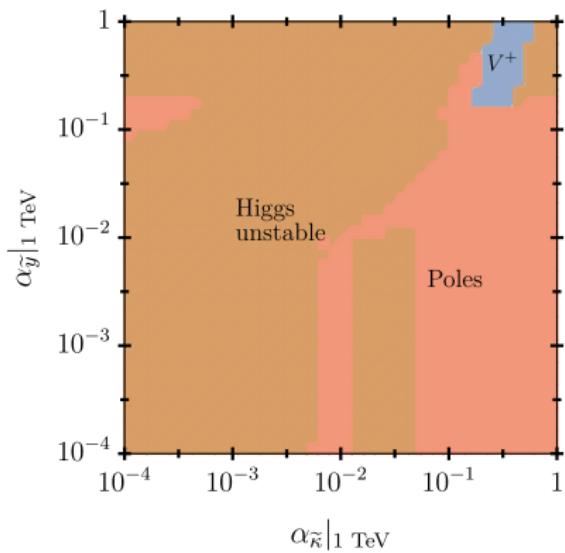
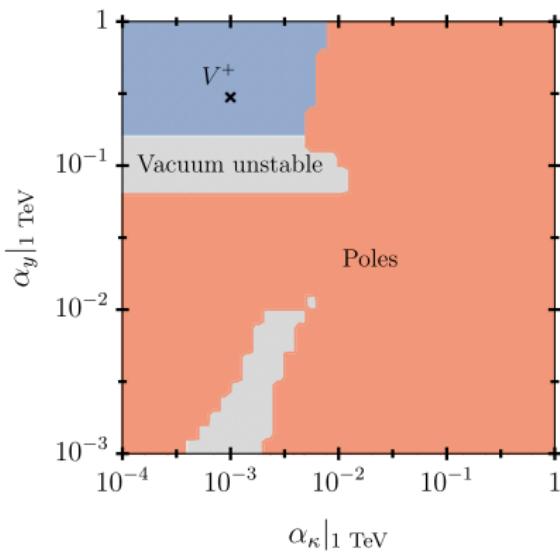
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Fermionic Mixing

- Mixed Higgs Yukawa coupling κ induces off-diagonal mass term

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} = \begin{pmatrix} d_L \\ \psi_L^{-1/3} \end{pmatrix}_i^\dagger \begin{pmatrix} \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y_d & 0 \\ \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{\kappa} & M_F \end{pmatrix}_{ij} \begin{pmatrix} d_R \\ \psi_R^{-1/3} \end{pmatrix}_j + \text{h.c.}$$

- Mass eigenstates $(d', \psi'^{-1/3})$ are admixtures of gauge eigenstates
 $\Rightarrow \theta_R = \frac{\kappa}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{v}{M_F}, \quad \theta_L = \frac{\kappa}{2} Y_d \frac{v^2}{M_F^2} \Rightarrow \theta_L \ll \theta_R$
- Modified and new mixed couplings of $(d', \psi'^{-1/3})$ to h, Z, W

Mixing bounds

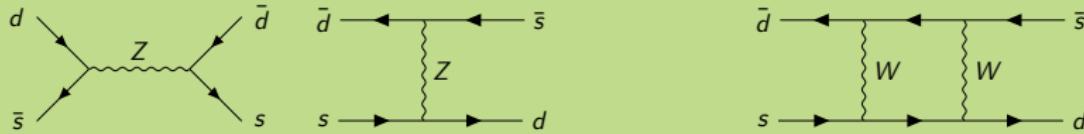
- ▶ Single production collider searches (for $M_F = 1400$ GeV) [1812.07343]

$$\alpha_{\tilde{\kappa}} \lesssim 2.4 * 10^{-2}$$

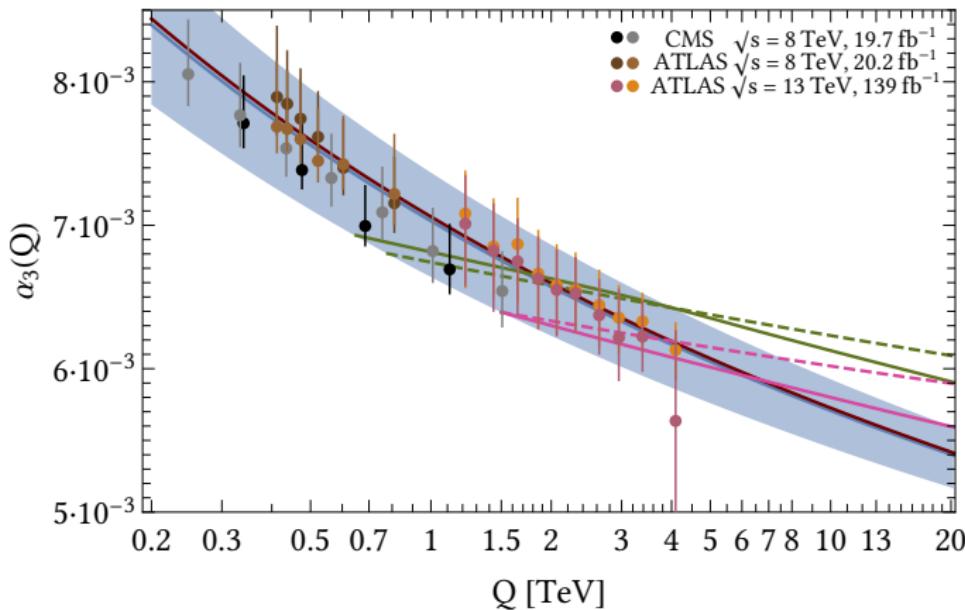
- ▶ Shift in down-type quark Z-couplings due to mixing [PDG 2020]

$$\alpha_{\hat{\kappa}} \lesssim 1.6 * 10^{-2} \left(\frac{M_F}{\text{TeV}} \right)^2$$

- ▶ Off-diagonal mixing causes tree-level FCNCs
 ⇒ very strong bounds from neutral kaon oscillations



α_s Running



Mass bounds

