

# **SMEFT Probes Using LHC Drell-Yan data**

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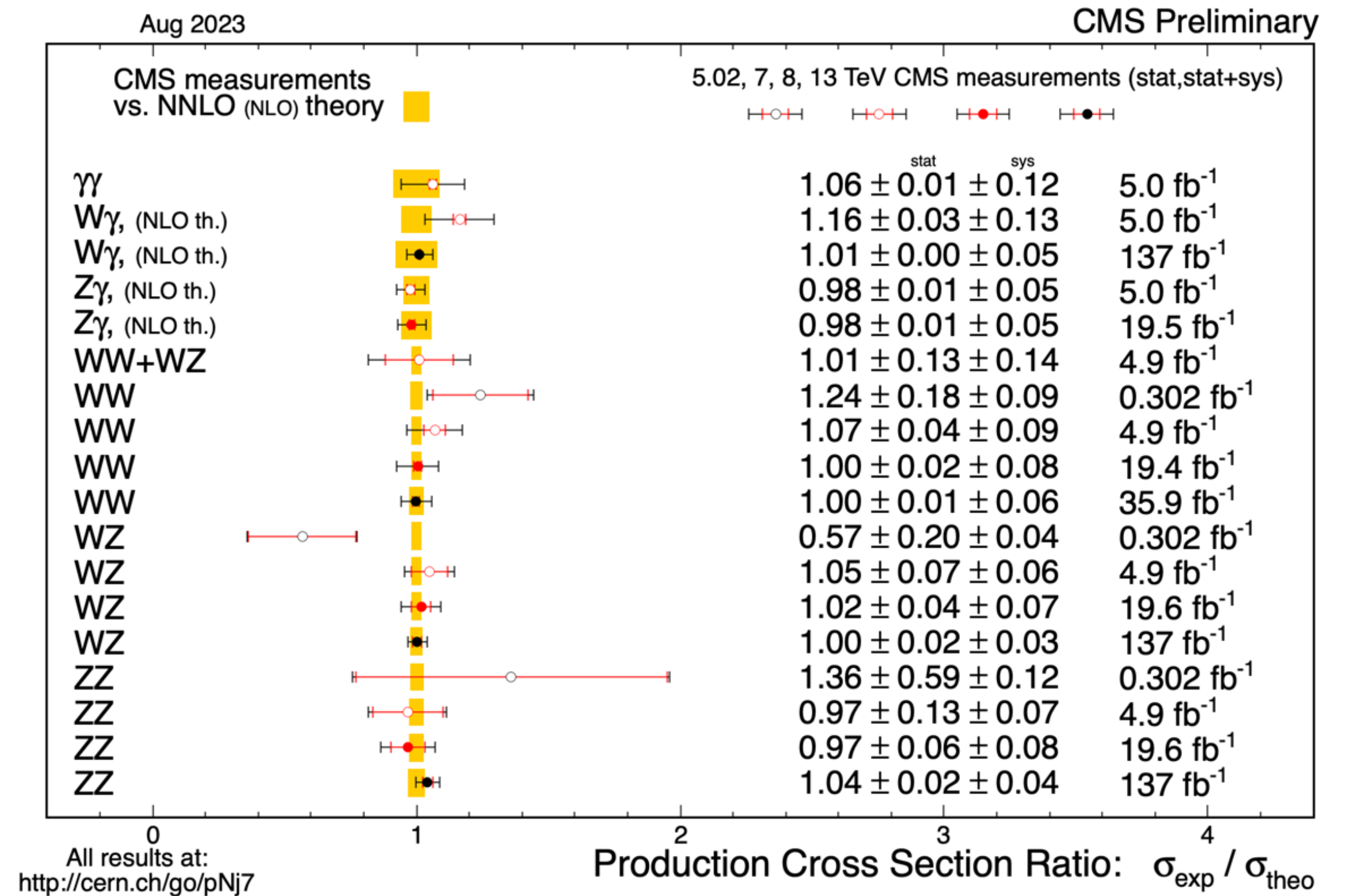
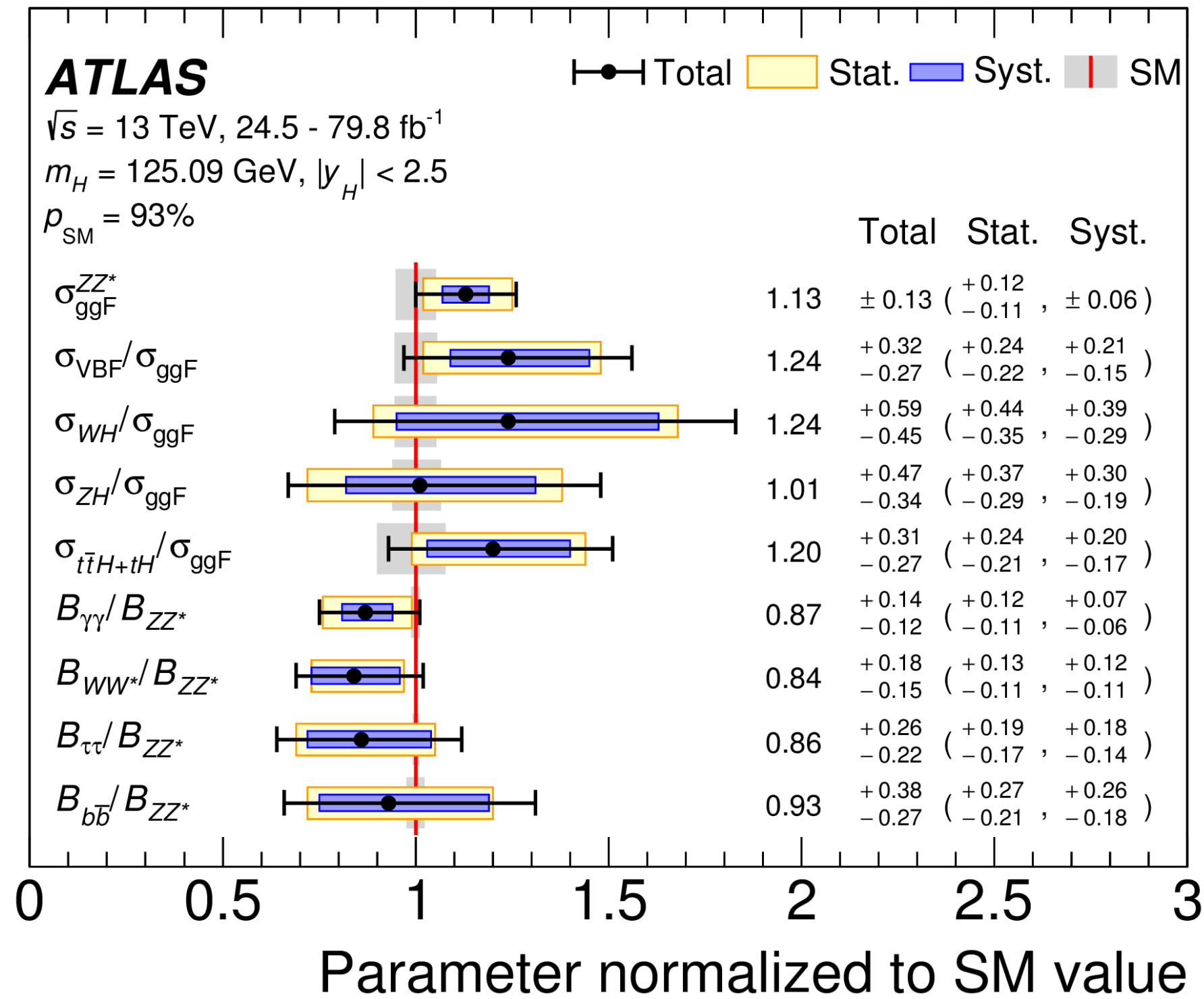
# Outline

- Motivation and introduction to the SMEFT
- Sensitivity to higher-dimension operators in the Drell-Yan process
- Model discrimination with transverse momentum data
- Extending the Collins-Soper framework to SMEFT

# Status of the Standard Model

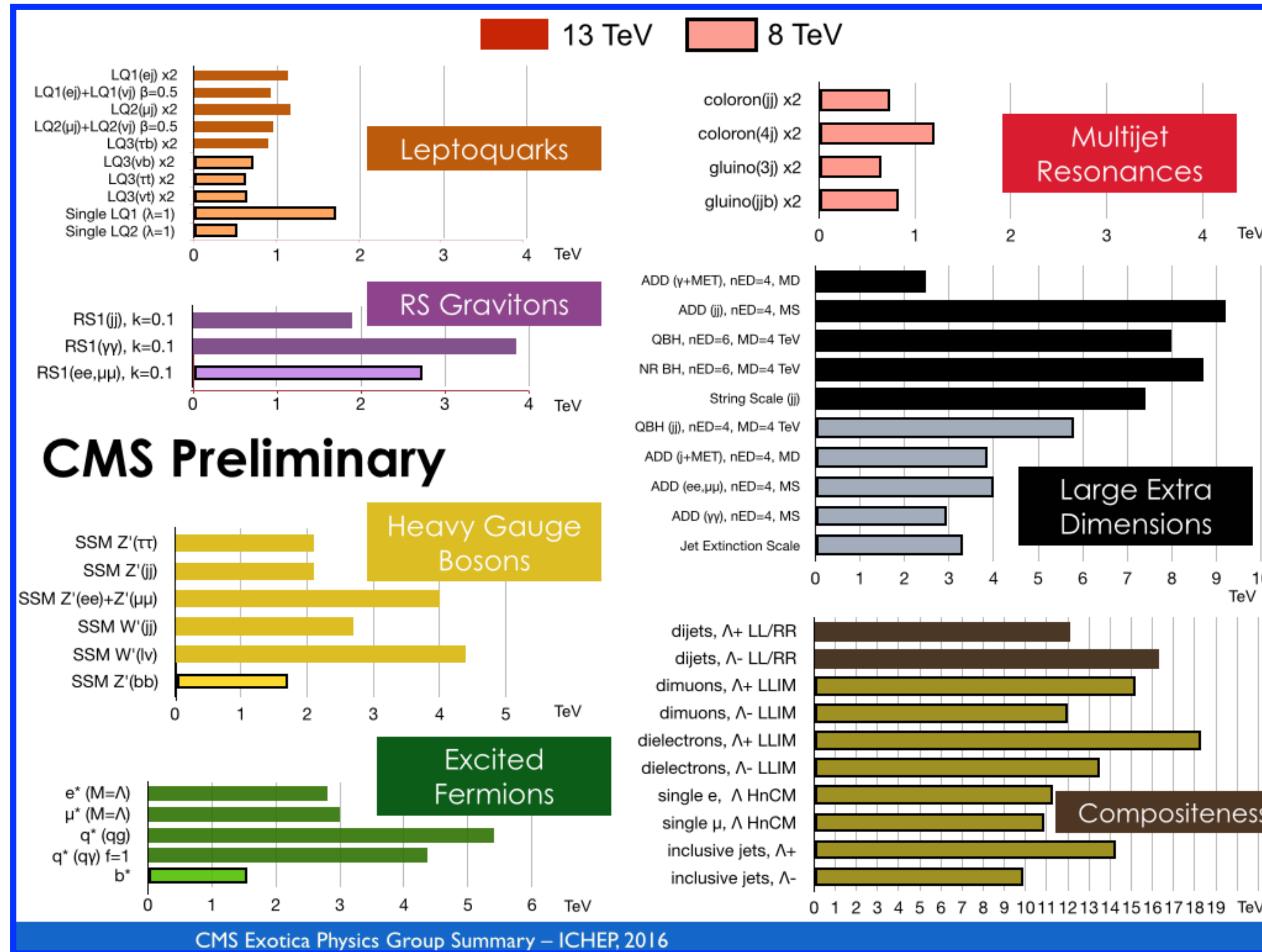
Example: Higgs production and decay

Example: di-boson cross sections



Remarkable agreement between SM theory and experiment over all sectors of the theory, and spanning orders of magnitude in cross section

# LHC searches for new physics



No conclusive evidence of BSM physics so far, despite a broad spectrum of searches.

Limits on new physics mass scale exceed several TeV in many cases

# Model-dependent vs independent searches

- Two approaches:
  - Formulate specific BSM models, calculate predictions for the LHC and other experiments
  - Adopt an EFT framework that encapsulates a broad set of possible BSM theories
- **Standard Model Effective Field Theory (SMEFT)**: assume the SM field content and gauge symmetry, and include all possible higher-dimensional operators suppressed by a scale  $\Lambda$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \sum_i C_6^i(\mu) \mathcal{O}_6^i(\mu) + \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \sum_i C_8^i(\mu) \mathcal{O}_8^i(\mu) + \dots$$

Dimension-6                      Dimension-8

- $\Lambda \gg E, v$  (Higgs vev) must both be satisfied
- Odd dimensions violate lepton number; not our focus here
- RG running important when comparing experiments at disparate energies

# Warsaw basis

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Pure Gauge interactions

Accommodates a rich phenomenology in all sectors

$X^3$		$\varphi^6$ and $\varphi^4 D^2$		$\psi^2 \varphi^3$		$(\bar{L}L)(\bar{L}L)$		$(\bar{R}R)(\bar{R}R)$		$(\bar{L}L)(\bar{R}R)$	
$Q_G$	$f^{ABC} G_\mu^{A\nu} G_\nu^{B\rho} G_\rho^{C\mu}$	$Q_\varphi$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^3$	$Q_{e\varphi}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\bar{l}_p e_r \varphi)$	$Q_{ll}$	$(\bar{l}_p \gamma_\mu l_r)(\bar{l}_s \gamma^\mu l_t)$	$Q_{ee}$	$(\bar{e}_p \gamma_\mu e_r)(\bar{e}_s \gamma^\mu e_t)$	$Q_{le}$	$(\bar{l}_p \gamma_\mu l_r)(\bar{e}_s \gamma^\mu e_t)$
$Q_{\bar{G}}$	$f^{ABC} \tilde{G}_\mu^{A\nu} G_\nu^{B\rho} G_\rho^{C\mu}$	$Q_{\varphi\Box}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)\Box(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)$	$Q_{u\varphi}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\bar{q}_p u_r \tilde{\varphi})$	$Q_{qq}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu q_r)(\bar{q}_s \gamma^\mu q_t)$	$Q_{uu}$	$(\bar{u}_p \gamma_\mu u_r)(\bar{u}_s \gamma^\mu u_t)$	$Q_{lu}$	$(\bar{l}_p \gamma_\mu l_r)(\bar{u}_s \gamma^\mu u_t)$
$Q_W$	$\varepsilon^{IJK} W_\mu^{I\nu} W_\nu^{J\rho} W_\rho^{K\mu}$	$Q_{\varphi D}$	$(\varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi)^* (\varphi^\dagger D_\mu \varphi)$	$Q_{d\varphi}$	$(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\bar{q}_p d_r \varphi)$	$Q_{qq}^{(3)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu \tau^I q_r)(\bar{q}_s \gamma^\mu \tau^I q_t)$	$Q_{dd}$	$(\bar{d}_p \gamma_\mu d_r)(\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu d_t)$	$Q_{ld}$	$(\bar{l}_p \gamma_\mu l_r)(\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu d_t)$
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$Q_{\varphi \bar{G}}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$	$Q_{eB}$	$(\bar{l}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_r) \varphi B_{\mu\nu}$	$Q_{\varphi l}^{(3)}$	$(\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I \varphi)(\bar{l}_p \tau^I \gamma^\mu l_r)$	$Q_{ud}^{(3)}$	$(\bar{u}_p \gamma_\mu \tau^I u_r)(\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu \tau^I d_t)$	$Q_{ud}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{u}_p \gamma_\mu u_r)(\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu d_t)$	$Q_{qd}^{(8)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu q_r)(\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu d_t)$
$Q_{\varphi W}$	$\varphi^\dagger \varphi W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu}$	$Q_{uG}$	$(\bar{q}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^A u_r) \tilde{\varphi} G_{\mu\nu}^A$	$Q_{\varphi e}$	$(\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)(\bar{e}_p \gamma^\mu e_r)$	$Q_{qq}^{(1)}$	$(\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)(\bar{q}_p \gamma^\mu q_r)$	$Q_{ud}^{(8)}$	$(\bar{u}_p \gamma_\mu T^A u_r)(\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu T^A d_t)$	$Q_{qd}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu q_r)(\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu d_t)$
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$Q_{\varphi WB}$	$\varphi^\dagger \tau^I \varphi W_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$	$Q_{dW}$	$(\bar{q}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} d_r) \tau^I \varphi W_{\mu\nu}^I$	$Q_{\varphi d}$	$(\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi)(\bar{d}_p \gamma^\mu d_r)$	$Q_{qu}^{(3)}$	$(\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I \varphi)(\bar{u}_p \tau^I \gamma^\mu u_r)$				
$Q_{\varphi \tilde{W}B}$	$\varphi^\dagger \tau^I \varphi \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$	$Q_{dB}$	$(\bar{q}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} d_r) \varphi B_{\mu\nu}$	$Q_{\varphi ud}$	$i(\tilde{\varphi}^\dagger D_\mu \varphi)(\bar{u}_p \gamma^\mu d_r)$						

Gauge-Higgs interactions

Fermion-Higgs-gauge interactions

Four-fermion interactions

Baryon-number violating interactions

Dim-6 operators

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- Dim-8 basis has been derived [Li, Ren, Shu, Xiao, Yu, Zheng 2005.00008](#); [Murphy 2005.00059](#)
- Now known through dim-12 [Harlander, Kempkens, Schaaf \(2023\)](#)

## Structure of a SMEFT cross section

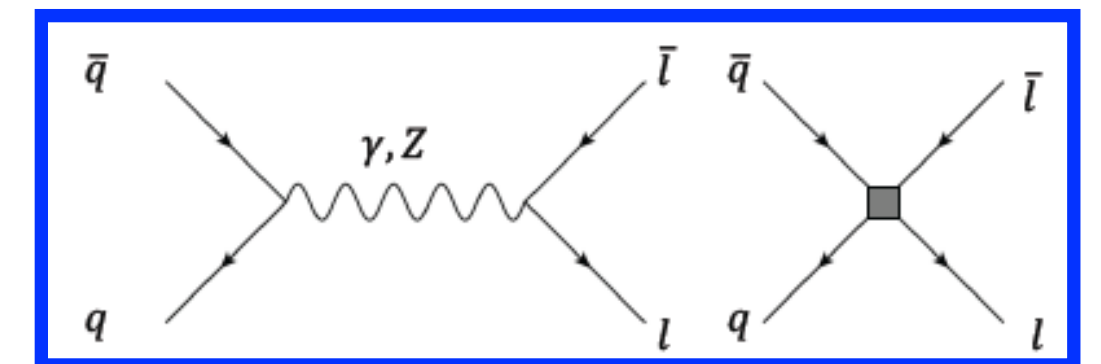
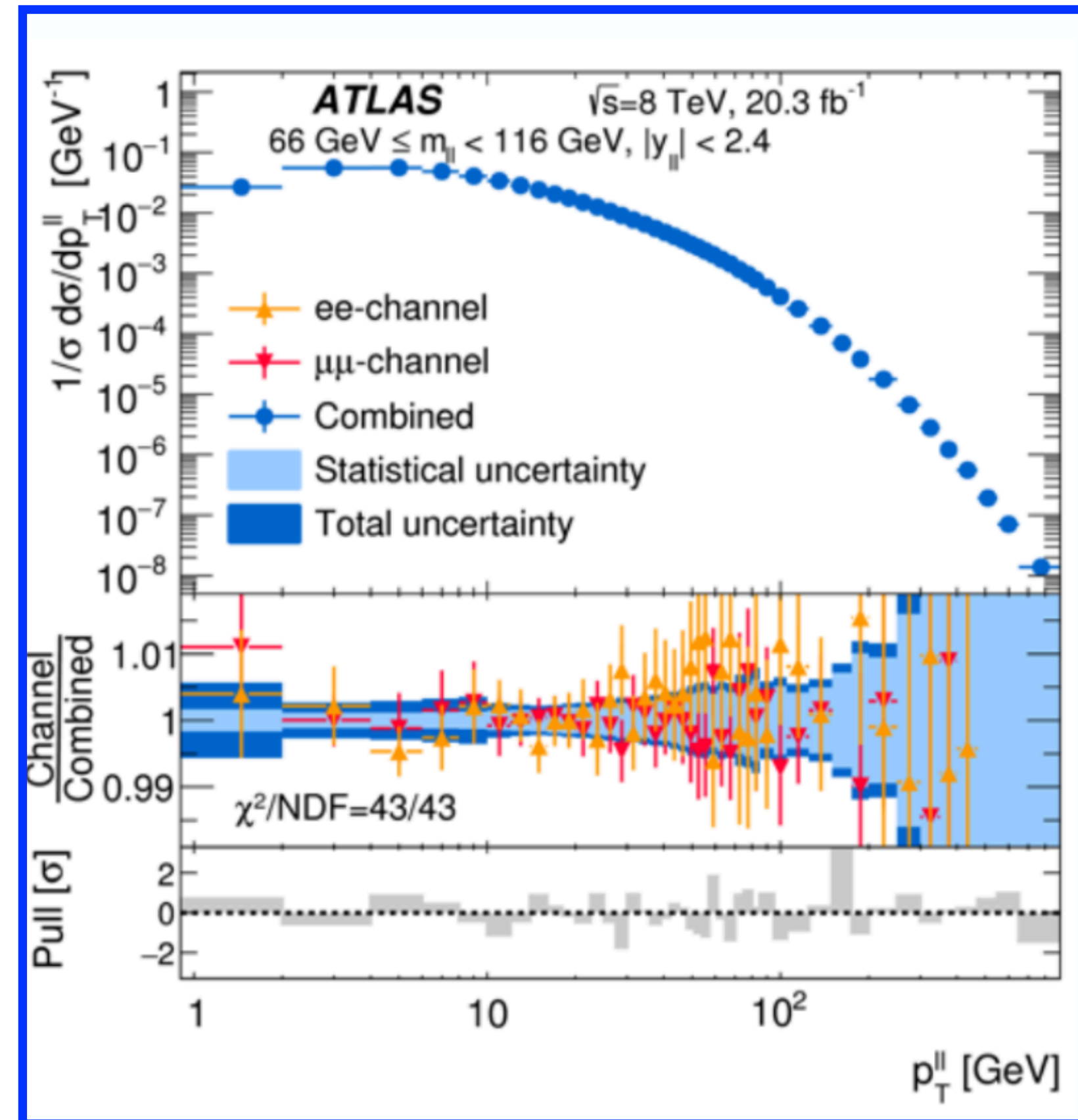
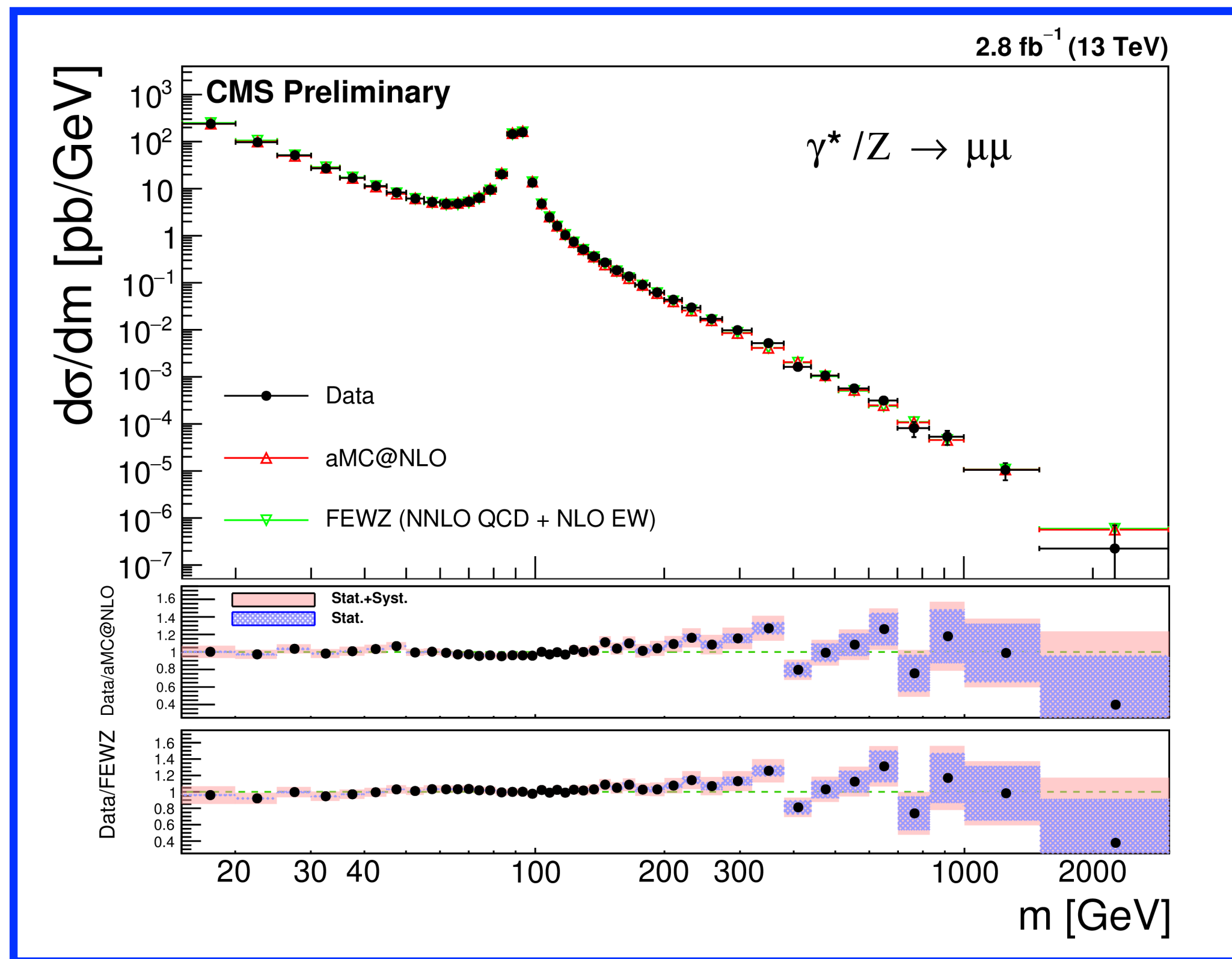
$$\sigma \sim |\mathcal{M}_{SM}|^2 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} 2\text{Re} [\mathcal{M}_6 \mathcal{M}_{SM}^*] + \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \{ |\mathcal{M}_6|^2 + 2\text{Re} [\mathcal{M}_8 \mathcal{M}_{SM}^*] \}$$

Leading  
SMEFT  
correction

Sub-leading; neglected in many analyses;  
size of  $|\mathcal{M}_6|^2$  often used to estimate the  
impact of higher-dim operators

# Probing SMEFT using Drell-Yan data

- We will focus on the semi-leptonic four fermion sector of the SMEFT. The natural place to search for them at the LHC is through the Drell-Yan process at high energies.



Take advantage of the high precision data to search for subtle deviations from the SM



# Questions for SMEFT analysis

- Are dimension-8 and higher effects important at LHC? Do they give qualitatively different effects than dim-6?

We'll discuss an angular momentum argument that allows a clean probe of dim-8 using LHC Drell-Yan data

We'll show the importance of dim-8 corrections in a global fit of the 13 TeV Drell-Yan data

- Can we discriminate between UV completions of the SMEFT?

We'll show how Drell-Yan transverse momentum measurements can help with this

# Basis for Drell-Yan studies at the LHC

- The relevant four-fermion operators for our analysis consist of seven dim-6 and 14 dim-8 operators.

Dimension 6		Dimension 8		Dimension 8
$\mathcal{O}_{lq}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu q)$	$\mathcal{O}_{l^2q^2D^2}^{(1)}$	$D^\nu(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)D_\nu(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu q)$	$\mathcal{O}_{8,ed\partial 2} = (\bar{e}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu e)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu d),$ $\mathcal{O}_{8,eu\partial 2} = (\bar{e}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu e)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu u),$ $\mathcal{O}_{8,ld\partial 2} = (\bar{l}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu d),$ $\mathcal{O}_{8,lu\partial 2} = (\bar{l}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu u),$ $\mathcal{O}_{8,qe\partial 2} = (\bar{e}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu e)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu q).$ $\mathcal{O}_{8,lq\partial 3} = (\bar{l}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu q),$ $\mathcal{O}_{8,lq\partial 4} = (\bar{l}\tau^I \gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l)(\bar{q}\tau^I \gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu q)$
$\mathcal{O}_{lq}^{(3)}$	$(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu \tau^i l)(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu \tau^i q)$	$\mathcal{O}_{l^2q^2D^2}^{(3)}$	$D^\nu(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu \tau^i l)D_\nu(\bar{q}\gamma_\mu \tau^i q)$	
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$\mathcal{O}_{lu}$	$(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u)$	$\mathcal{O}_{l^2u^2D^2}^{(1)}$	$D^\nu(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)D_\nu(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u)$	
$\mathcal{O}_{ld}$	$(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)(\bar{d}\gamma_\mu d)$	$\mathcal{O}_{l^2d^2D^2}^{(1)}$	$D^\nu(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)D_\nu(\bar{d}\gamma_\mu d)$	
$\mathcal{O}_{qe}$	$(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu q)(\bar{e}\gamma_\mu e)$	$\mathcal{O}_{q^2e^2D^2}^{(1)}$	$D^\nu(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu q)D_\nu(\bar{e}\gamma_\mu e)$	

Note q,l are left-handed doublets; e,u,d are right-handed singlets

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 O_{\phi u} &= (\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi) (\bar{u} \gamma^\mu u) \\
 O_{\phi d} &= (\varphi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \varphi) (\bar{d} \gamma^\mu d)
 \end{aligned}$$

Dawson, Giardino (2019)

$C_k$	95% CL, $\Lambda = 1 \text{ TeV}$
$C_{\phi\ell}^{(1)}$	$[-0.043, 0.012]$
$C_{\phi\ell}^{(3)}$	$[-0.012, 0.0029]$
$C_{\phi e}$	$[-0.013, 0.0094]$
$C_{\phi q}^{(1)}$	$[-0.027, 0.043]$
$C_{\phi q}^{(3)}$	$[-0.011, 0.014]$
$C_{\phi u}$	$[-0.072, 0.091]$
$C_{\phi d}$	$[-0.16, 0.060]$
$C_{\phi WB}$	$[-0.0088, 0.0013]$

Other dim-6 ffV vertex operators contribute as well, these are better constrained by precision Z-pole data at LEP, SLC

# Invariant mass and $A_{\text{FB}}$ constraints

- We first consider existing invariant mass and forward-backward asymmetry data sets. There are several high-statistic data sets reaching large invariant masses with sensitivity to SMEFT effects.

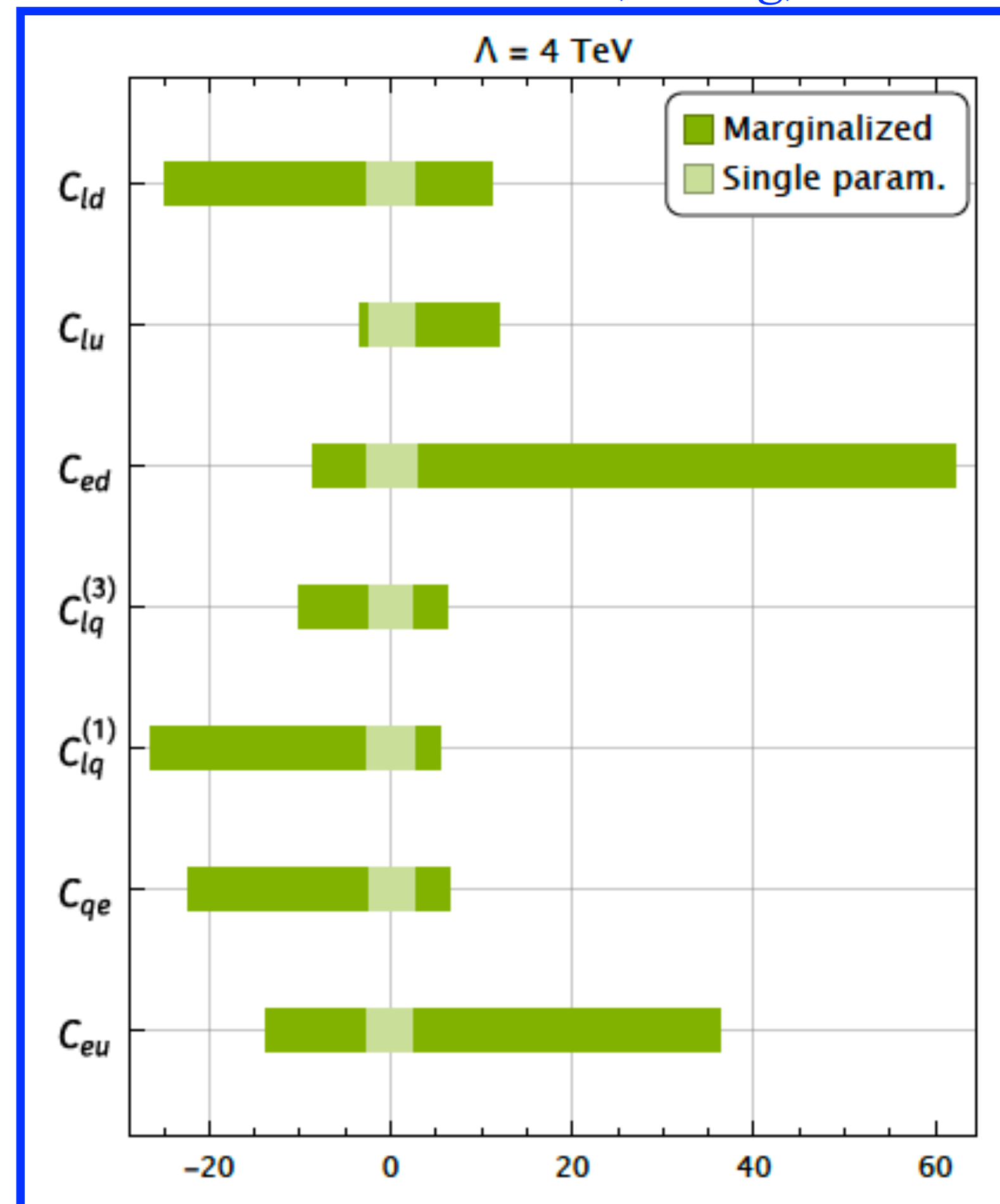
No.	Experiment	$\sqrt{s}$	Measurement	Luminosity	$m_{ll}^{\text{low}}$	Ref.
I	ATLAS	8 TeV	$d\sigma/dm$	20.3 fb <sup>-1</sup>	116-1000 GeV	[24]
II	CMS	13 TeV	$d\sigma/dm$	137 fb <sup>-1</sup> ( $ee$ )	200-2210 GeV ( $ee$ )	[25]
				140 fb <sup>-1</sup> ( $\mu\mu$ )	210-2290 GeV ( $\mu\mu$ )	
III	CMS	8 TeV	$A_{\text{FB}}^*$	19.7 fb <sup>-1</sup>	120-500 GeV	[26]
IV	CMS	13 TeV	$A_{\text{FB}}$	138 fb <sup>-1</sup>	170-1000 GeV	[27]

# Single-parameter vs. marginalized fits

- We begin with a fit to the linear dimension-6 basis which includes seven operators, and study the difference between single-parameter and marginalized fits.

RB, Huang, Petriello (2023)

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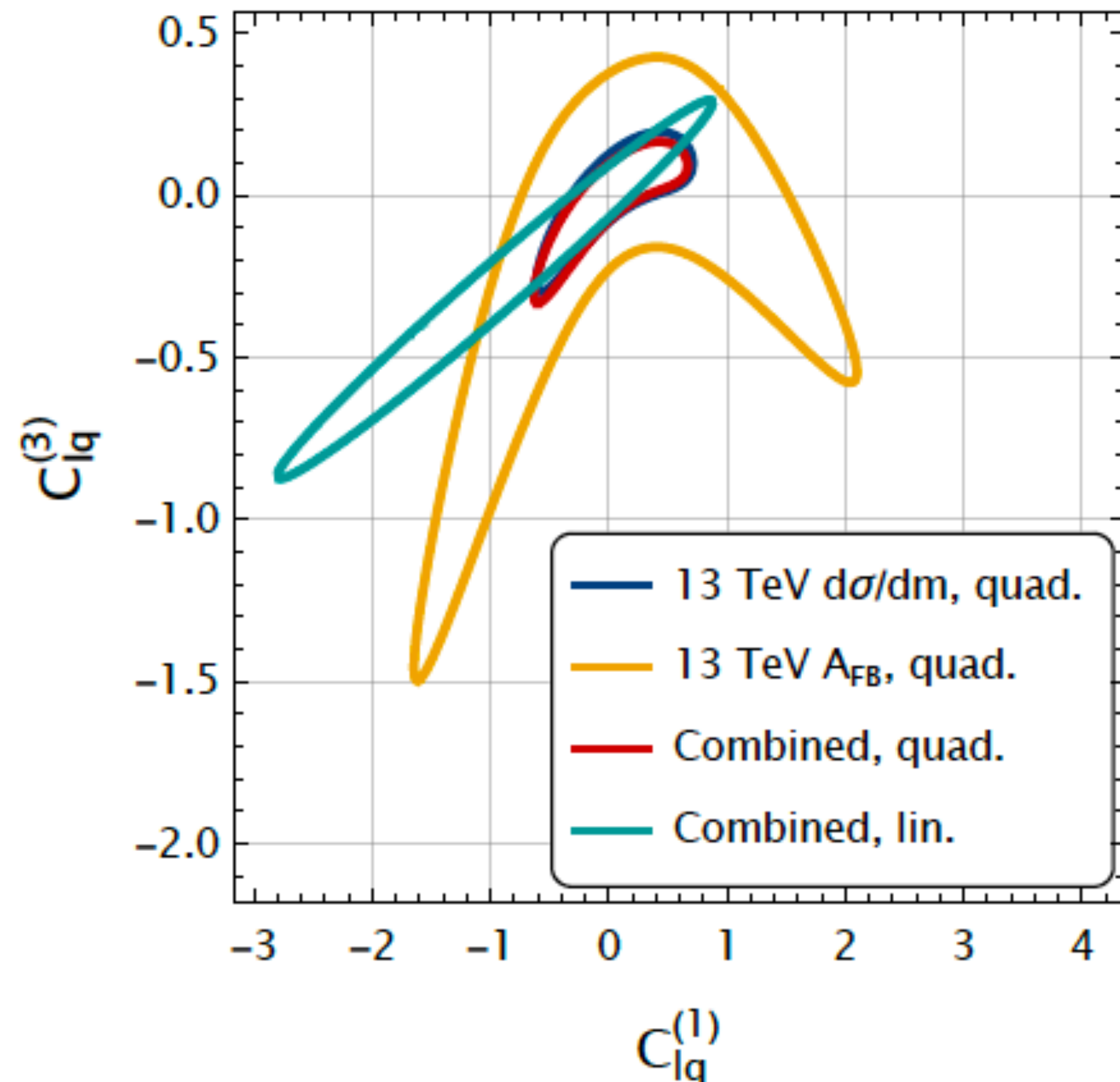


There is a significant difference between the single-parameter and marginalized fits, indicating the need to turn all Wilson coefficients on simultaneously

# Linear vs. quadratic fits

- We now consider the difference between expanding the dim-6 SMEFT to the linear and quadratic orders. As an illustrative example we turn on two coefficients only.

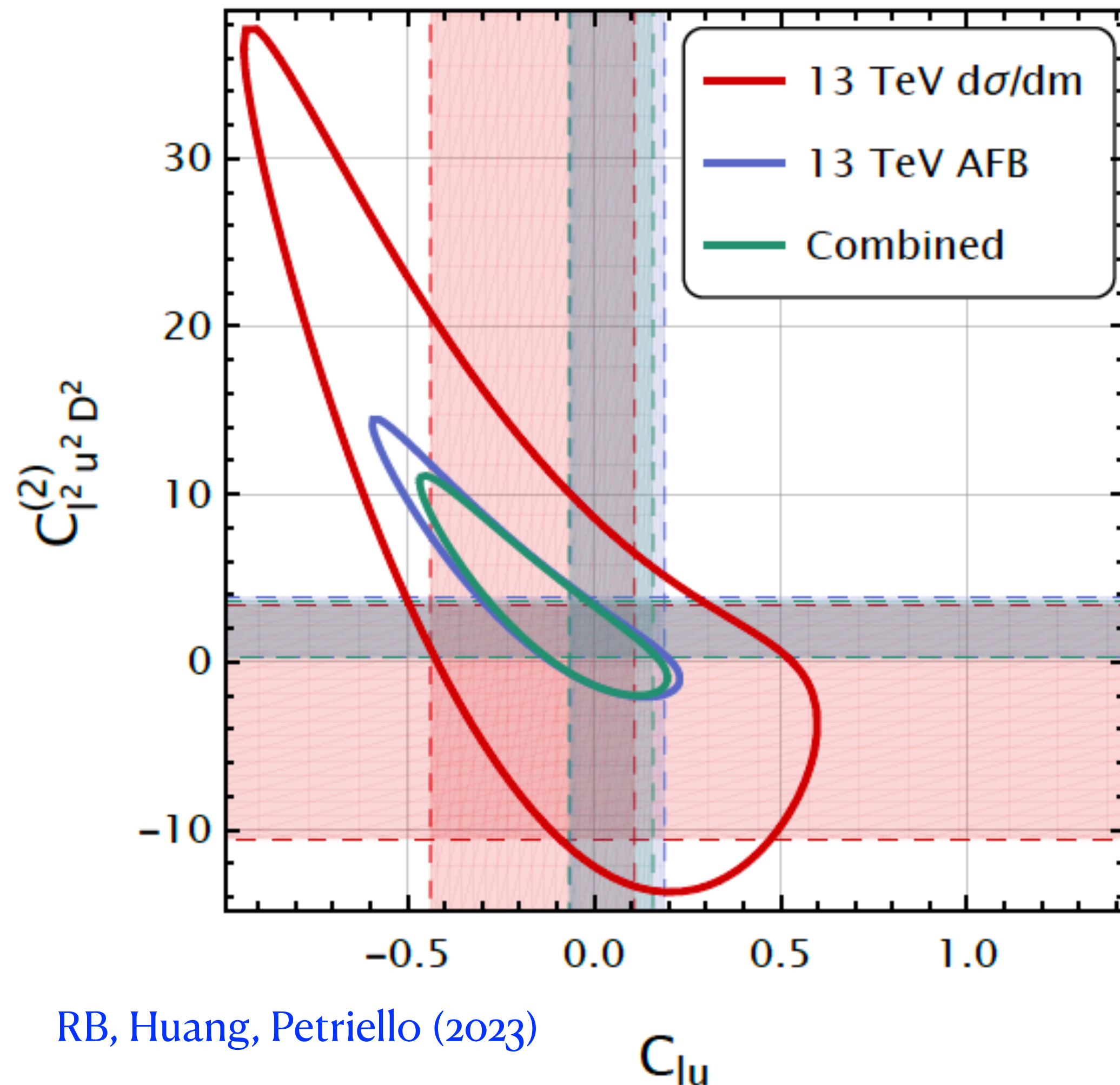
RB, Huang, Petriello (2023)  $\Lambda = 4 \text{ TeV}$



- The  $A_{FB}$  data set (boomerang shape) alone exhibits significant degeneracies; need to fit to multiple data sets!
- Linear (cyan) and quadratic (red) combined fits differ significantly; important to include higher-order terms in the SMEFT expansion!
- Note that  $A_{FB}$  data doesn't improve the combined fit; the power comes from the invariant mass data

# Dimension-8 effects

- If quadratic dimension-6 terms have an effect, dimension-8 terms should as well. Test this with an example.

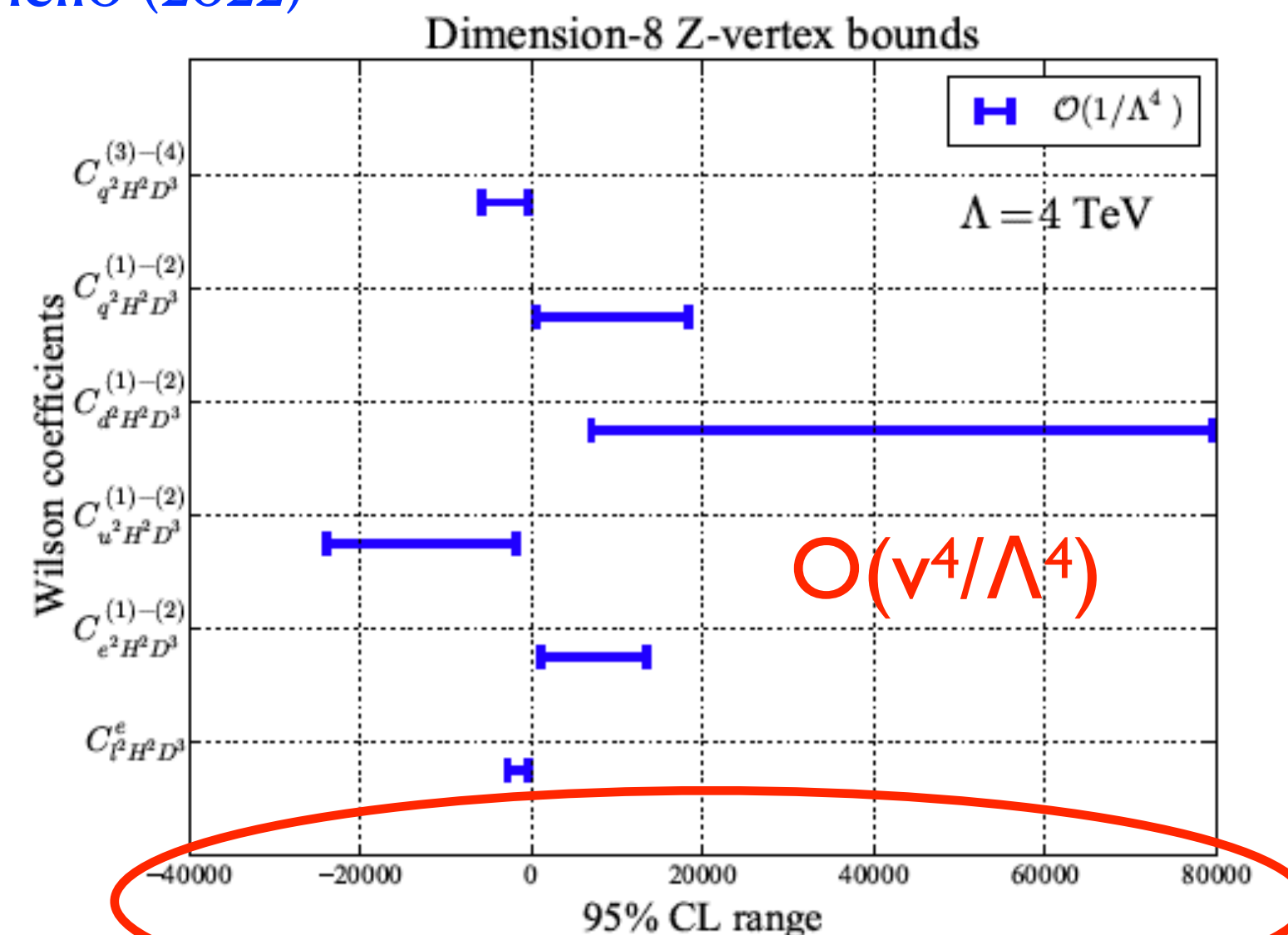
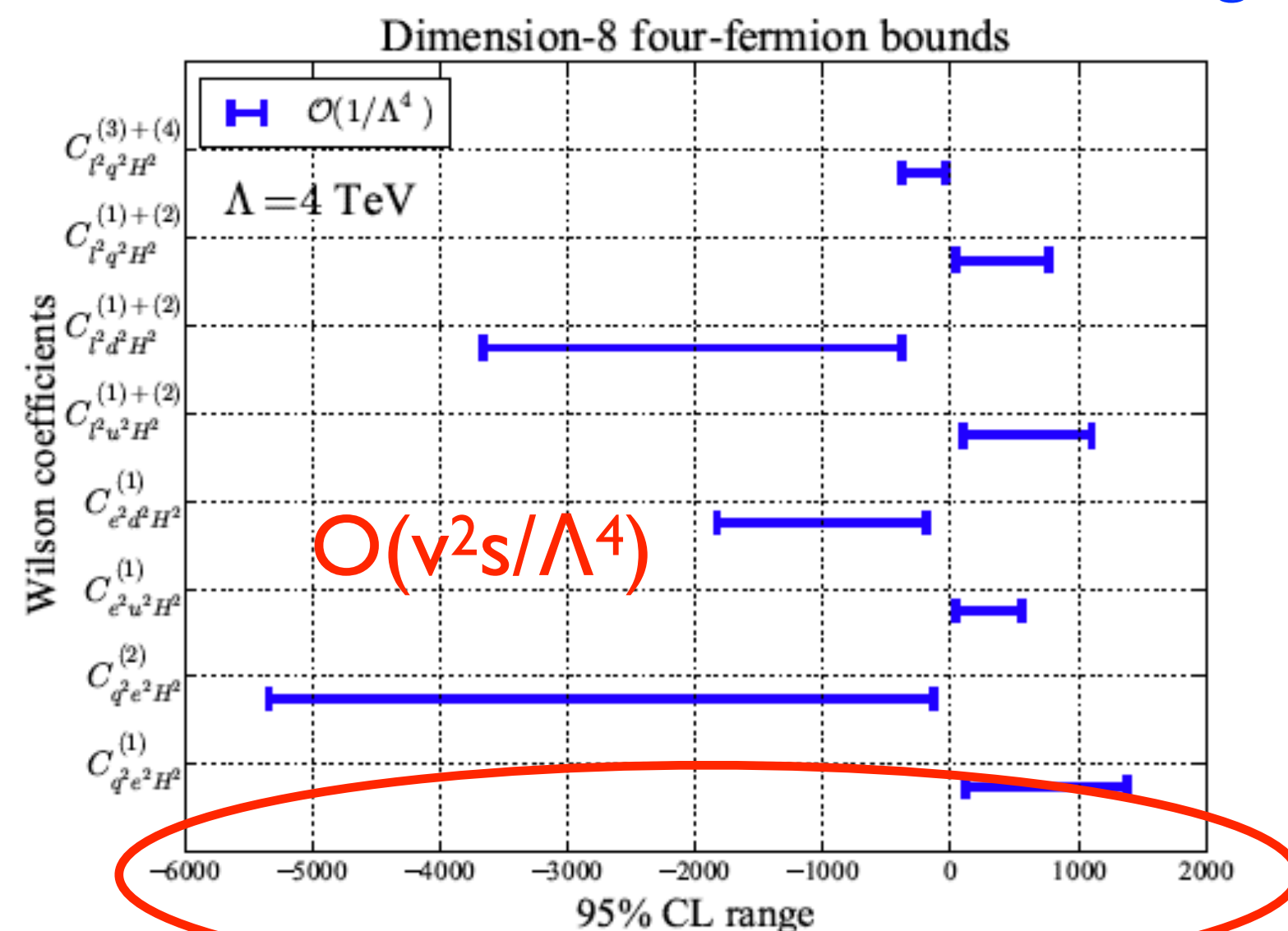


- Turn on left-handed lepton coupling to right handed up quark at dim-6 and dim-8 as an example.
- Shaded regions are the one-parameter constraints at 95% CL. Ellipses are when both parameters are turned on.
- Significant shifts! For example, the allowed region of  $C_{lu}$  extends to -0.5 with dim-8 turned on; in the single parameter fit it extends only to -0.1.
- Note this time constraints primarily from  $A_{FB}$ !

# Impact on analysis

- Important to consider all data sets in analyses. In some of the examples invariant mass gave the strongest constraints; in others  $A_{\text{FB}}$  did.
- All terms that go as  $1/\Lambda^4$  in the SMEFT expansion, including dim-6<sup>2</sup> and dim-8, have an important impact on the analysis.
- The good news: only a limited subset of dim-8 operators that grow as  $s^2/\Lambda^4$  are relevant for LHC studies.

RB, Mereghetti, Petriello (2022)

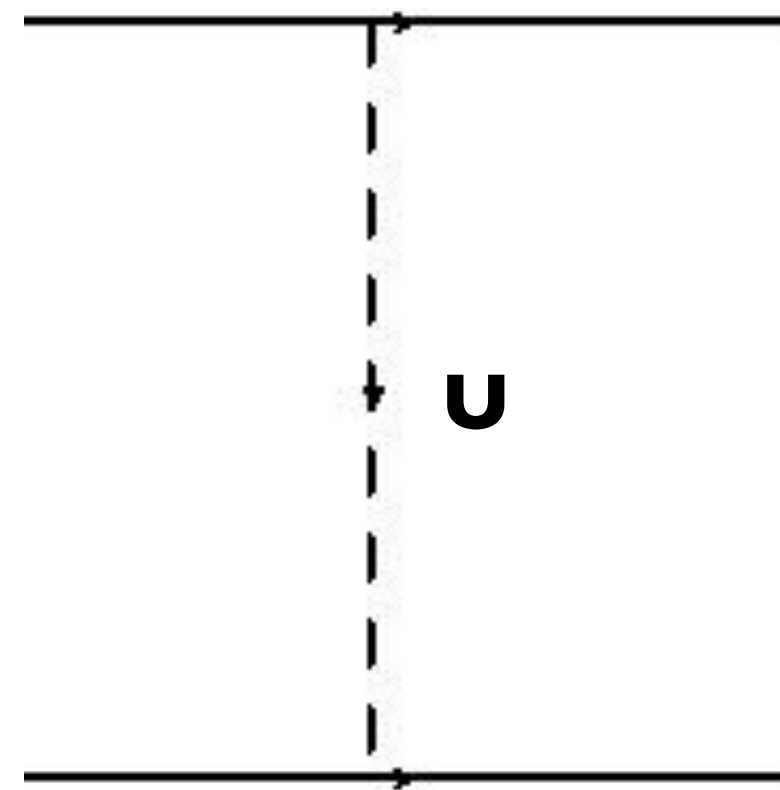




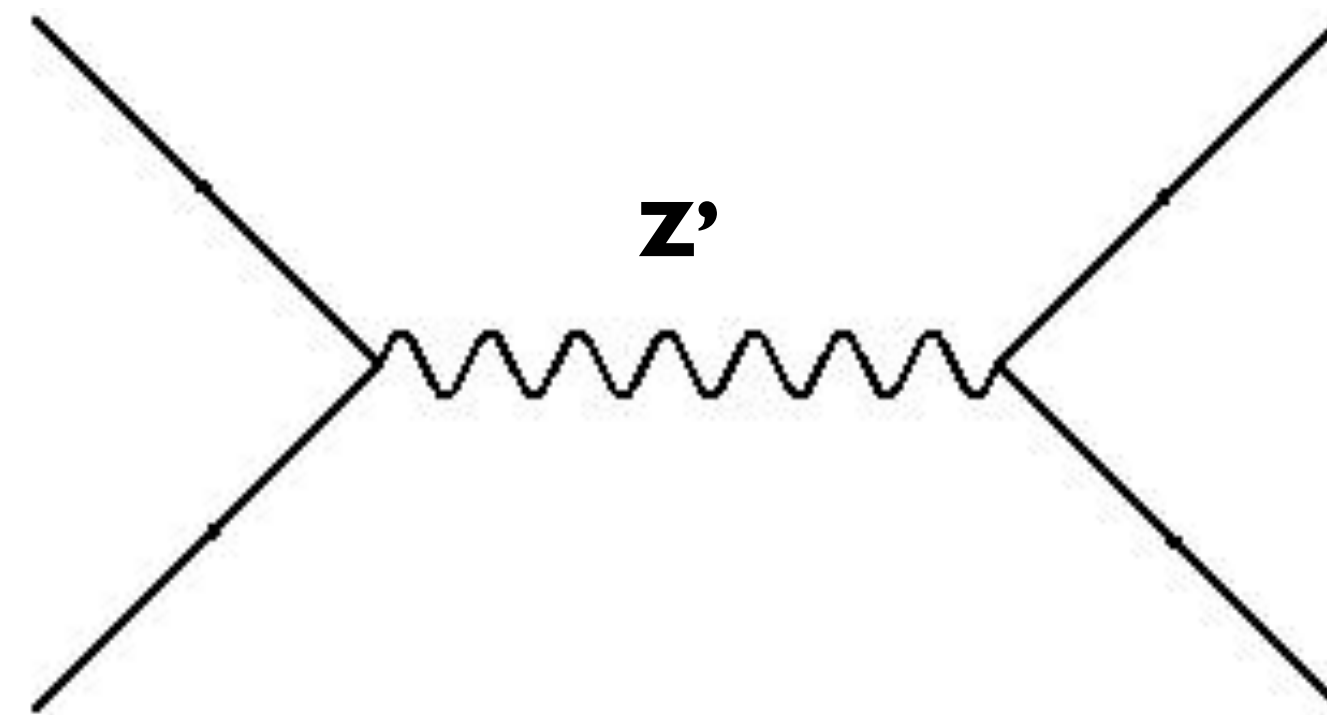
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Vector leptoquark



Z' boson



Two examples of UV particles that modify the DY process

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<i>CP</i> -even	
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$\mathcal{O}_{l^2 q^2 \tilde{G}}^{(2)}$	$(\bar{l}\tau^I \gamma^\mu l)(\bar{q}\tau^I \gamma^\nu T^A q)\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^A$
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$\mathcal{O}_{q^2 e^2 \tilde{G}}$	$(\bar{e}\gamma^\mu e)(\bar{q}\gamma^\nu T^A q)\tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}^A$

To discuss these we need to extend the operator basis to include operators with gluon emission. These generate a correction to the DY transverse momentum distribution.

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Match these to the SMEFT:

Z' boson

$$\frac{C_{eu}}{\Lambda^2} = -\frac{g_{Z'}^2 g_R^u g_R^e}{M_{Z'}^2},$$

$$\frac{C_{e^2 u^2 D^2}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^4} = -\frac{g_{Z'}^2 g_R^u g_R^e}{M_{Z'}^4}.$$

$$\frac{C_{e^2 u^2 \tilde{G}}}{\Lambda^4} = 0.$$

Vector leptoquark

$$\frac{C_{eu}}{\Lambda^2} = \frac{h_U^2}{M_U^2},$$

$$\frac{C_{e^2 u^2 D^2}^{(1)}}{\Lambda^4} = -\frac{h_U^2}{4M_U^4}.$$

$$\frac{C_{e^2 u^2 \tilde{G}}}{\Lambda^4} = -\frac{h_U^2 g_s (1 - \kappa_U)}{2M_U^4}$$

# Model discrimination

- The analysis shown so far indicates that both dim-6 and dim-8 are potentially observable with LHC DY data. Does the ability to measure multiple coefficients allow us to distinguish between UV completions if we can't produce new physics directly?

Z' boson

Vector leptoquark

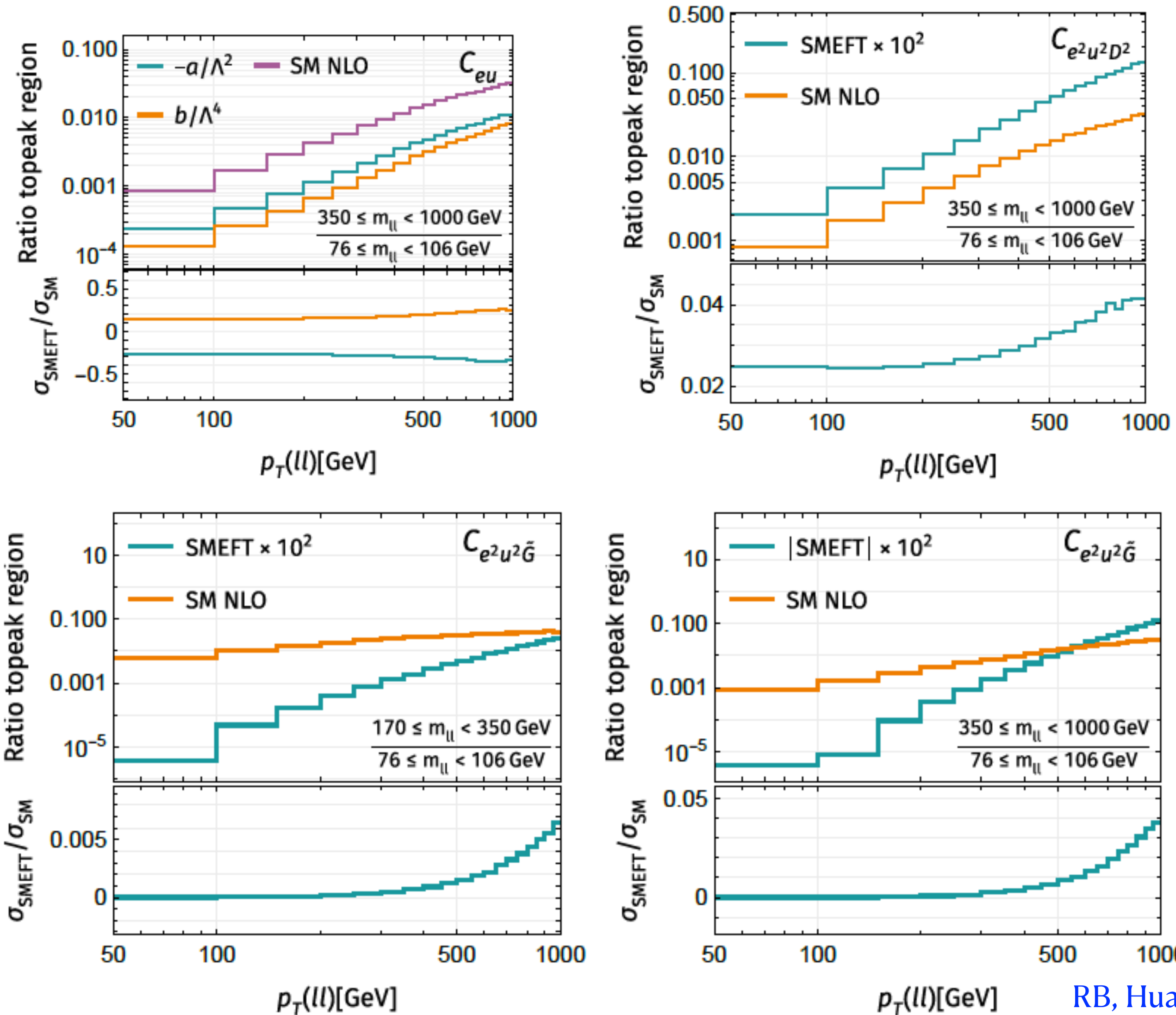
Determination of this operator through measurements of the transverse momentum distribution can distinguish between these two different particles

$$\frac{C_{e^2 u^2 \tilde{G}}}{\Lambda^4} = 0.$$

$$\frac{C_{e^2 u^2 \tilde{G}}}{\Lambda^4} = -\frac{h_U^2 g_s (1 - \kappa_U)}{2M_U^4}$$

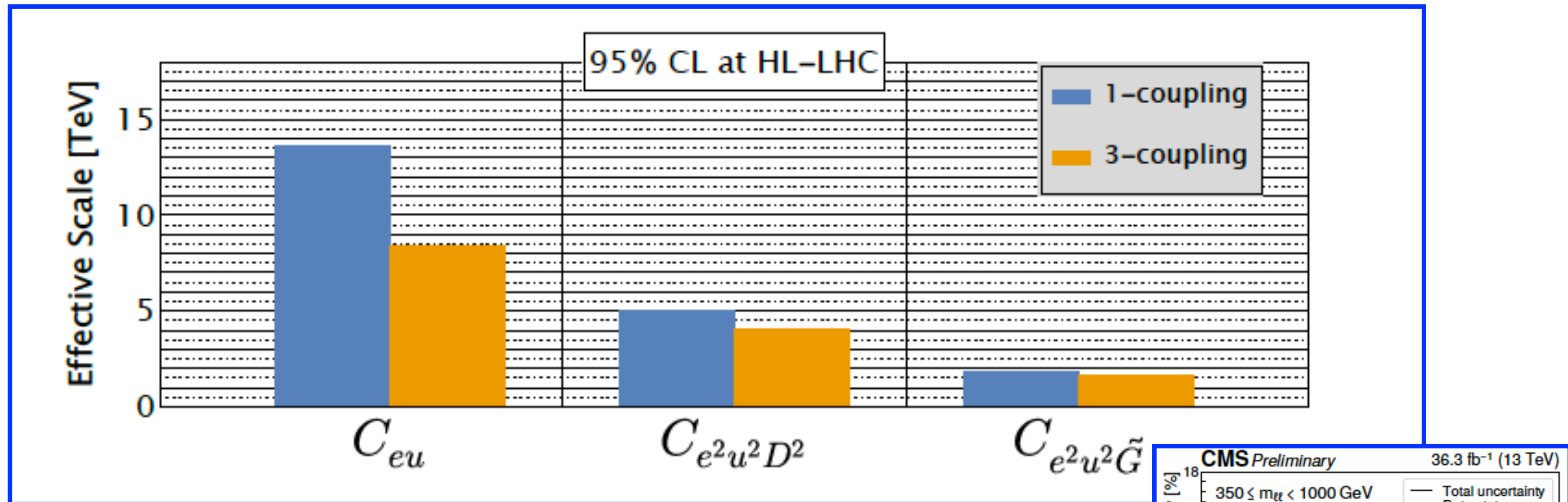
# p<sub>T</sub> distribution

- These operators generate very different p<sub>T</sub> distributions.

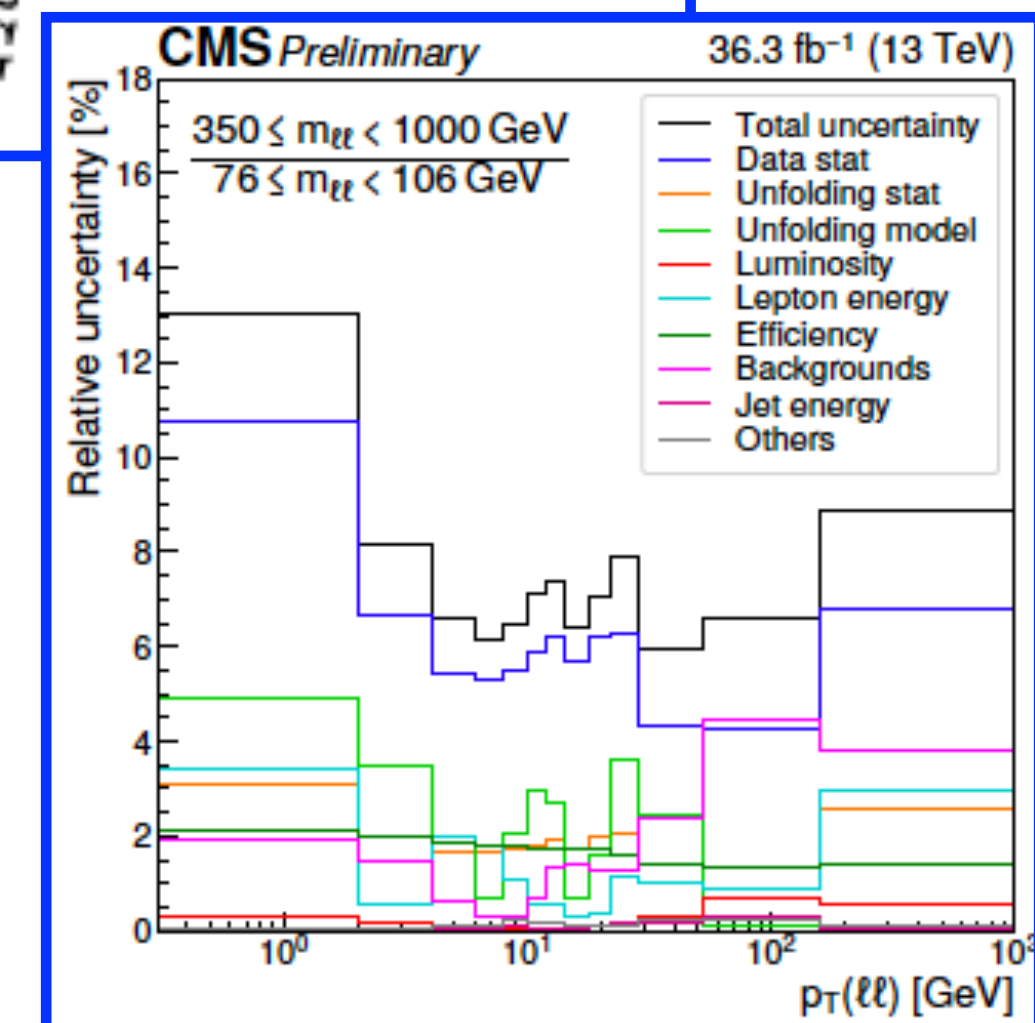


# HL-LHC probes

- This is not a measurement that can be done with the current data, but it becomes possible at a high-luminosity LHC.

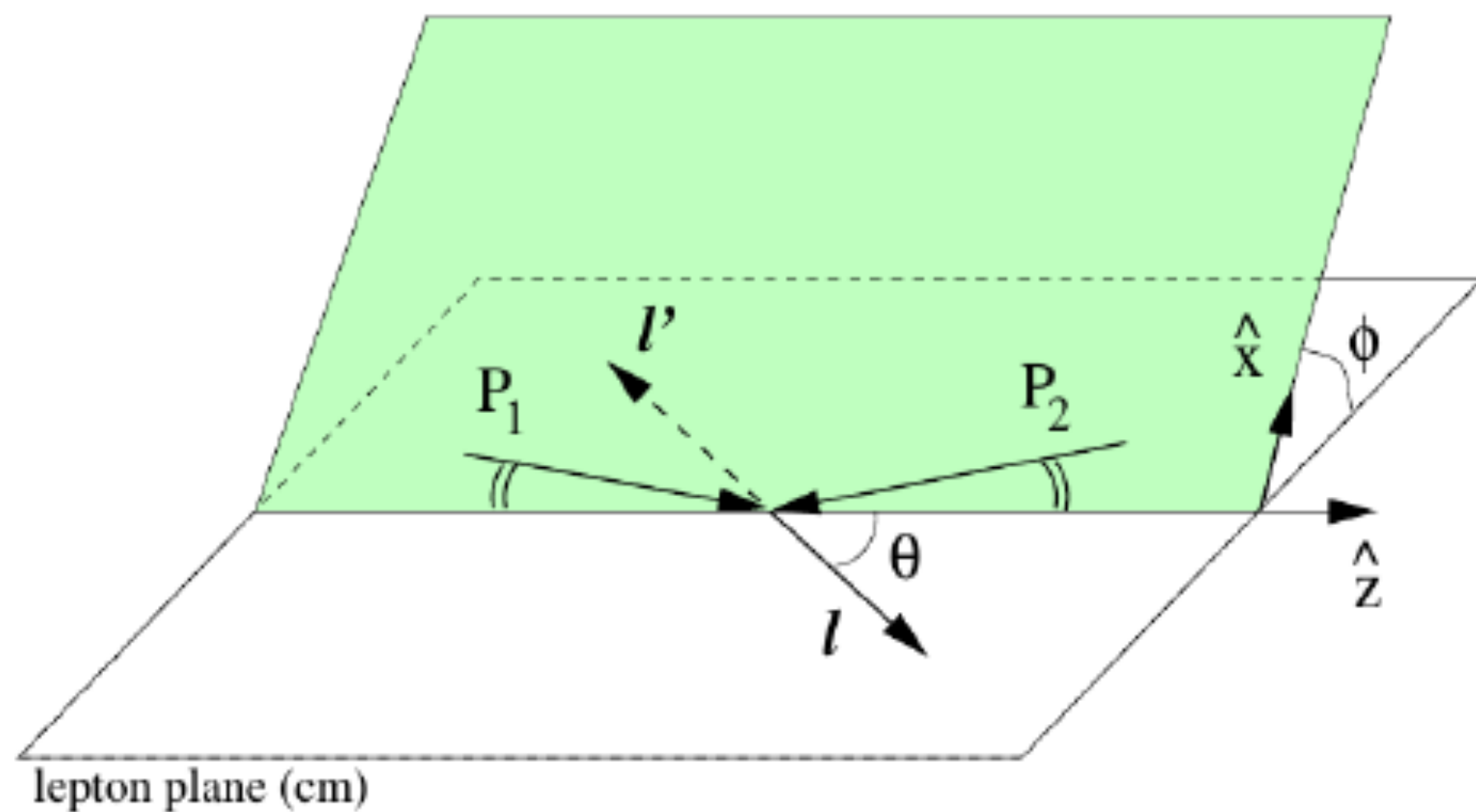


**Needed:** measurement of high transverse momentum above the Z-peak. Will become interesting with more data!



# Angular structure of DY

- Let's consider other observables. Drell-Yan has a rich angular structure sensitive to many subtleties of theory predictions. Copious high-mass data, precise theory make it a target for probing the importance of SMEFT effects.

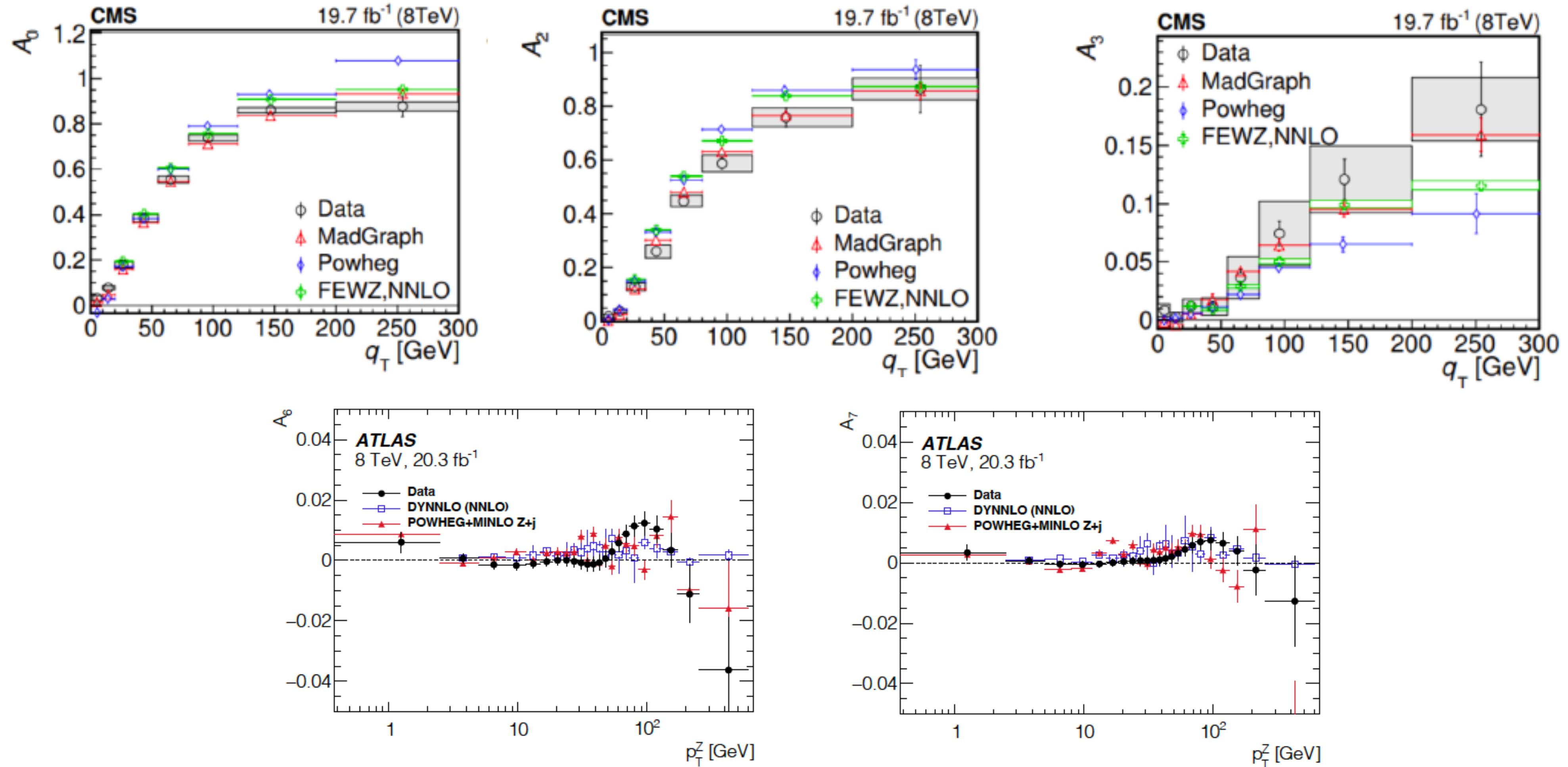


Usually described by:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{ll}^2 dy d\Omega_l} = \frac{3}{16\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{dm_{ll}^2 dy} \left\{ (1 + c_\theta^2) + \frac{A_0}{2} (1 - 3c_\theta^2) \right. \\ \left. + A_1 s_{2\theta} c_\phi + \frac{A_2}{2} s_\theta^2 c_{2\phi} + A_3 s_\theta c_\phi + A_4 c_\theta \right. \\ \left. + A_5 s_\theta^2 s_{2\phi} + A_6 s_{2\theta} s_\phi + A_7 s_\theta s_\phi \right\}$$

Spherical harmonics expansion through  $l=2$   
due to spin-1 nature of Z-boson

# Angular structure of DY



Can measure the full spectrum of coefficients at the LHC



# DY structure at dim-6

- Let's study the dimension-6 operators affecting DY:

**Category:** Example

$$\psi^2 \phi^2 D : (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\bar{e} \gamma^\mu e)$$

$$\psi^4 : (\bar{e} \gamma^\mu e) (\bar{u} \gamma^\mu u)$$

Shift relative importance of left, right-handed couplings, but same angular dependence as in SM

$$\psi^2 X \phi : (\bar{l} \sigma^{\mu\nu} e) \tau^I \phi W_{\mu\nu}^I$$

$$\psi^4 : (\bar{l}^i e) (\bar{d} q^i)$$

Different chiral structure than in SM; can lead to large deviations from SM predictions but qualitatively no new structure

Detailed studies in [Alioli, Dekens, Girard, Mereghetti \(2018\)](#); [Alioli, RB, Mereghetti, Petriello \(2020\)](#)

# DY structure at dim-8

- Let's study the dimension-8 operators affecting DY:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^2 \phi^4 D &: (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu q) (\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi) (\phi^\dagger \phi) \\ \psi^2 \phi^2 D^3 &: (\bar{q} i \gamma^\mu D^\nu q) (D_{\mu\nu}^2 \phi^\dagger \phi) \\ \psi^4 \phi^2 &: (\bar{e} \gamma^\mu e) (\bar{u} \gamma_\mu u) (\phi^\dagger \phi) \end{aligned}$$

These only shift the couplings already present at dim-4 and dim-6

$\psi^4 D^2$  :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_{8,lq\partial 1} &= (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu l) \partial^2 (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu q), \\ \mathcal{O}_{8,lq\partial 2} &= (\bar{l} \tau^I \gamma_\mu l) \partial^2 (\bar{q} \tau^I \gamma^\mu q), \\ \mathcal{O}_{8,lq\partial 3} &= (\bar{l} \gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l) (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu q), \\ \mathcal{O}_{8,lq\partial 4} &= (\bar{l} \tau^I \gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l) (\bar{q} \tau^I \gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu q) \end{aligned}$$

Energy-dependent shift of the existing dim-6 four-fermion corrections

# DY structure at dim-8

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$$\Delta |\mathcal{M}_{u\bar{u}}|^2 = -\frac{C_{8,lq\partial 3}}{\Lambda^4} \hat{c}_\theta (1 + \hat{c}_\theta)^2 \frac{\hat{s}^2}{6} \times \left[ e^2 Q_u Q_e + \frac{g^2 g_L^u g_L^e \hat{s}}{c_W^2 (\hat{s} - M_Z^2)} \right]$$

$c_{\theta^3}$  dependence not accounted for in current analyses

# Angular momentum

- Two-derivative structure in the operators below leads to  $l=2$  spherical harmonics; interference with the  $l=1$  SM then populates  $l=3$  spherical harmonics in the cross section
- Cannot get this structure from  $\text{dim-6} \times \text{dim-6}$ ; a unique signature of  $\text{dim-8}$ . Could arise from a UV model through integrating out spin-2 states or from t-channel exchanges.

Dimension 8

$$\mathcal{O}_{8,ed\partial 2} = (\bar{e}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu e)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu d),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{8,eu\partial 2} = (\bar{e}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu e)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu u),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{8,ld\partial 2} = (\bar{l}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu d),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{8,lu\partial 2} = (\bar{l}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu u),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{8,qe\partial 2} = (\bar{e}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu e)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu q).$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{8,lq\partial 3} = (\bar{l}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu q),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{8,lq\partial 4} = (\bar{l}\tau^I \gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu l)(\bar{q}\tau^I \gamma^\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}^\nu q)$$

# A new angular basis

- Not generated by QCD corrections at any order; arise first from next-to-leading logarithmic angular-dependent electroweak Sudakov corrections

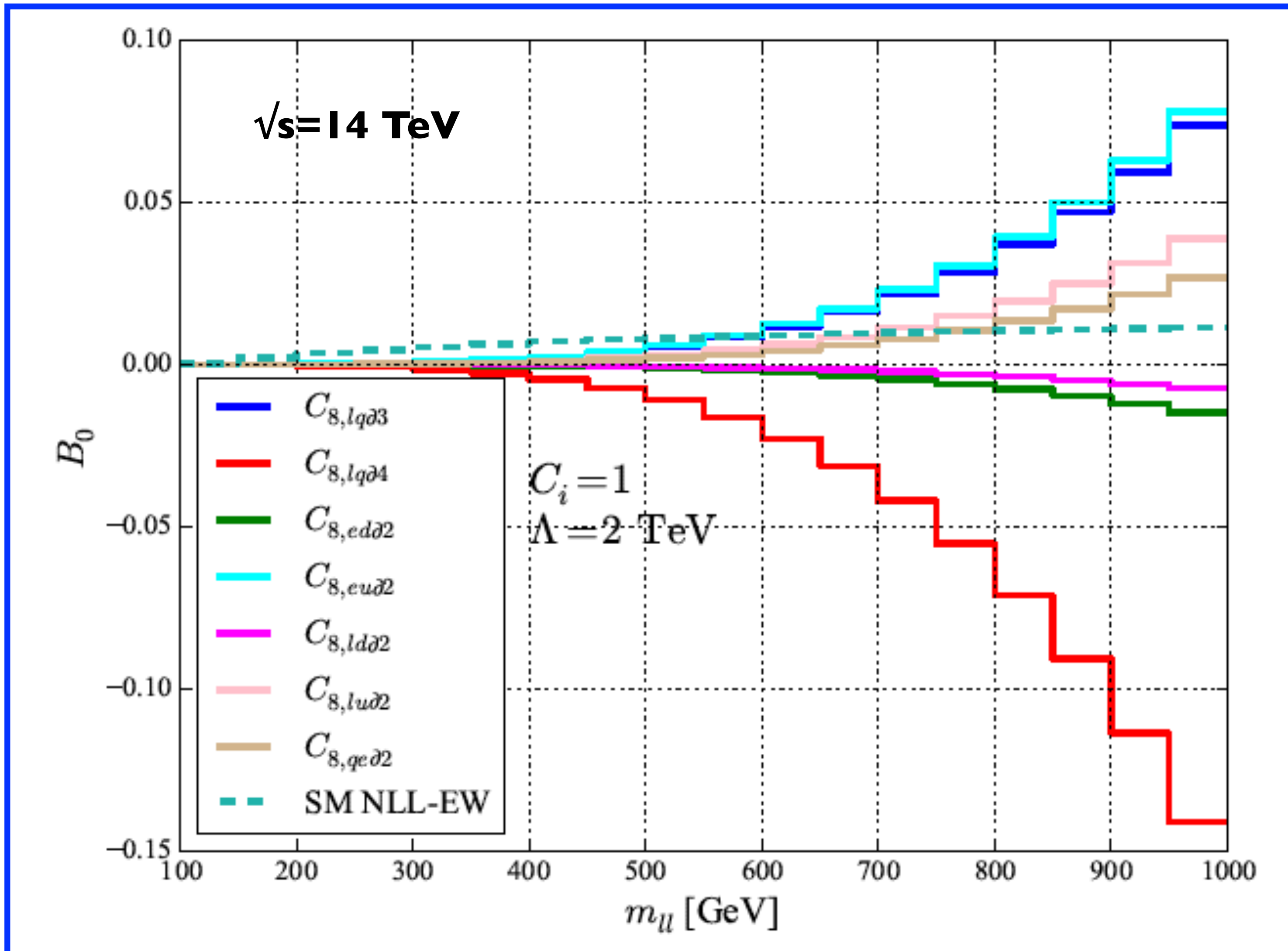
$$\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \ln \frac{\hat{s}}{M_Z^2} \ln [f(c_\theta)] \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{grow logarithmically with } \hat{s} \text{ while the dim-8 corrections grow quadratically}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\sigma}{dm_{ll}^2 dy d\Omega_l} = \frac{3}{16\pi} \frac{d\sigma}{dm_{ll}^2 dy} & \left\{ (1 + c_\theta^2) + \frac{A_0}{2} (1 - 3c_\theta^2) \right. \\ & + A_1 s_{2\theta} c_\phi + \frac{A_2}{2} s_\theta^2 c_{2\phi} + A_3 s_\theta c_\phi + A_4 c_\theta \\ & + A_5 s_\theta^2 s_{2\phi} + A_6 s_{2\theta} s_\phi + A_7 s_\theta s_\phi \\ & + B_3^e s_\theta^3 c_\phi + B_3^o s_\theta^3 s_\phi + B_2^e s_\theta^2 c_\theta c_{2\phi} \\ & + B_2^o s_\theta^2 c_\theta s_{2\phi} + \frac{B_1^e}{2} s_\theta (5c_\theta^2 - 1) c_\phi \\ & \left. + \frac{B_1^o}{2} s_\theta (5c_\theta^2 - 1) s_\phi + \frac{B_0}{2} (5c_\theta^3 - 3c_\theta) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

[Alioli, RB, Mereghetti, Petriello \(2020\)](#)

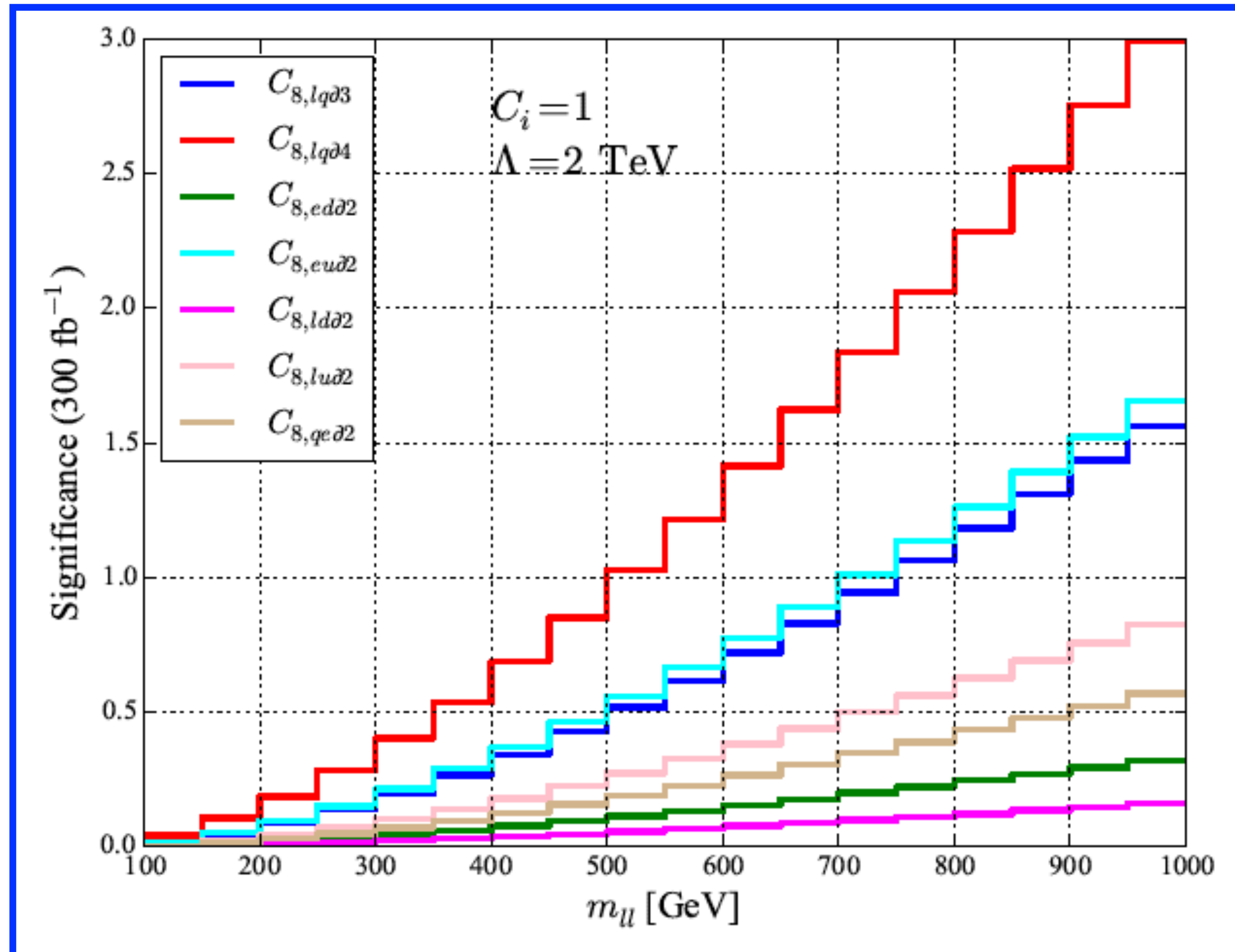
- The  $B_i$  account for the potential  $l=3$  angular behavior at dim-8
- $B_{1-3}$  first generated at  $O(\alpha_s/\Lambda^4)$
- Focus on  $B_0$ , which is generated at  $O(1/\Lambda^4)$

# LHC reach with angular analysis



- Turn on each operator separately, set UV scale  $\Lambda=2$  TeV
- Several operators lead to significant deviations from SM predictions

# LHC reach with angular analysis



- Single-bin significance reaches 3 for largest operator with  $300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Combining 600-1000 GeV bins leads to  $\text{Sig} > 6$  for largest operator,  $\text{Sig} > 3.5$  for next two
- HL-LHC increases these results by  $\sqrt{10}$
- We have discovery potential at the LHC for some of these coefficients!

Promising “smoking gun” signature of dim-8 at the LHC!

# Summary

- The wealth of high-precision DY data from the LHC unlocks a rich program of BSM probes within the SMEFT framework.
- Important to include both  $1/\Lambda^2$  and a subset of  $1/\Lambda^4$  terms in any analysis framework, and to include the full spectrum of data. Invariant mass and  $A_{\text{FB}}$  data probe different regions of parameter space.
- HL-LHC measurements of high invariant mass transverse momentum distributions will be very interesting probes of unexplored regions of SMEFT parameter space.
- Extensions of the DY angular analysis may reveal dim-8 effects in the SMEFT.