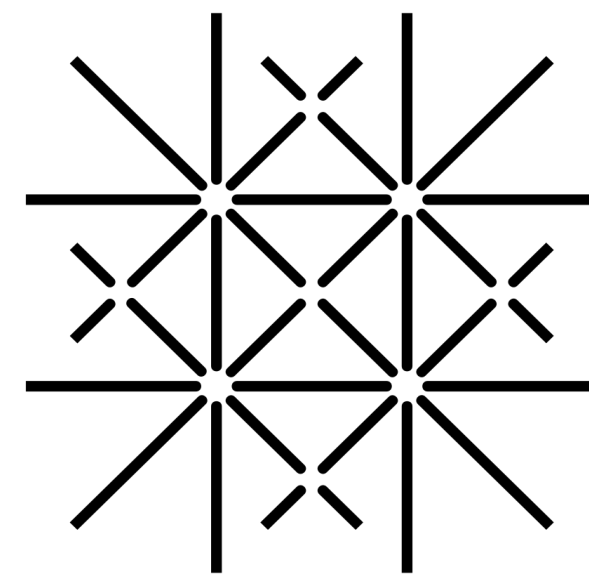


New Physics Through Flavor Tagging at FCC-ee

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Reference energies:

| <u>WW</u> | <u>Zh</u> | <u>$\bar{t}t$</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| 163 GeV | 240 GeV | 365 GeV |
| 10 ab^{-1} | 5 ab^{-1} | 1.5 ab^{-1} |

Higher energy & luminosity than LEP-II
(130-209 GeV, $\sim 3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ tot)

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What are the new physics opportunities?

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**Flavor tagging crucial
to assess expected FCC-ee precision**

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$$\begin{cases} N(n_b = 2) \equiv N_2 = N_{\text{tot}}[(\epsilon_b^b)^2 R_b + (\epsilon_j^b)^2 R_j], \\ N(n_b = 1) \equiv N_1 = 2N_{\text{tot}}[\epsilon_b^b(1 - \epsilon_b^b)R_b + \epsilon_j^b(1 - \epsilon_j^b)R_j] \\ N(n_b = 0) \equiv N_0 = N_{\text{tot}}[(1 - \epsilon_b^b)^2 R_b + (1 - \epsilon_j^b)^2 R_j]. \end{cases}$$

$$(R_j = 1 - R_b)$$

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$$\left(\frac{\Delta R_b}{R_b}\right)^2 = \frac{1 - \epsilon_b^b(2 - \epsilon_b^b(2 - R_b))}{N_{\text{tot}} R_b (\epsilon_b^b)^2} \rightarrow \text{True positives stat}$$

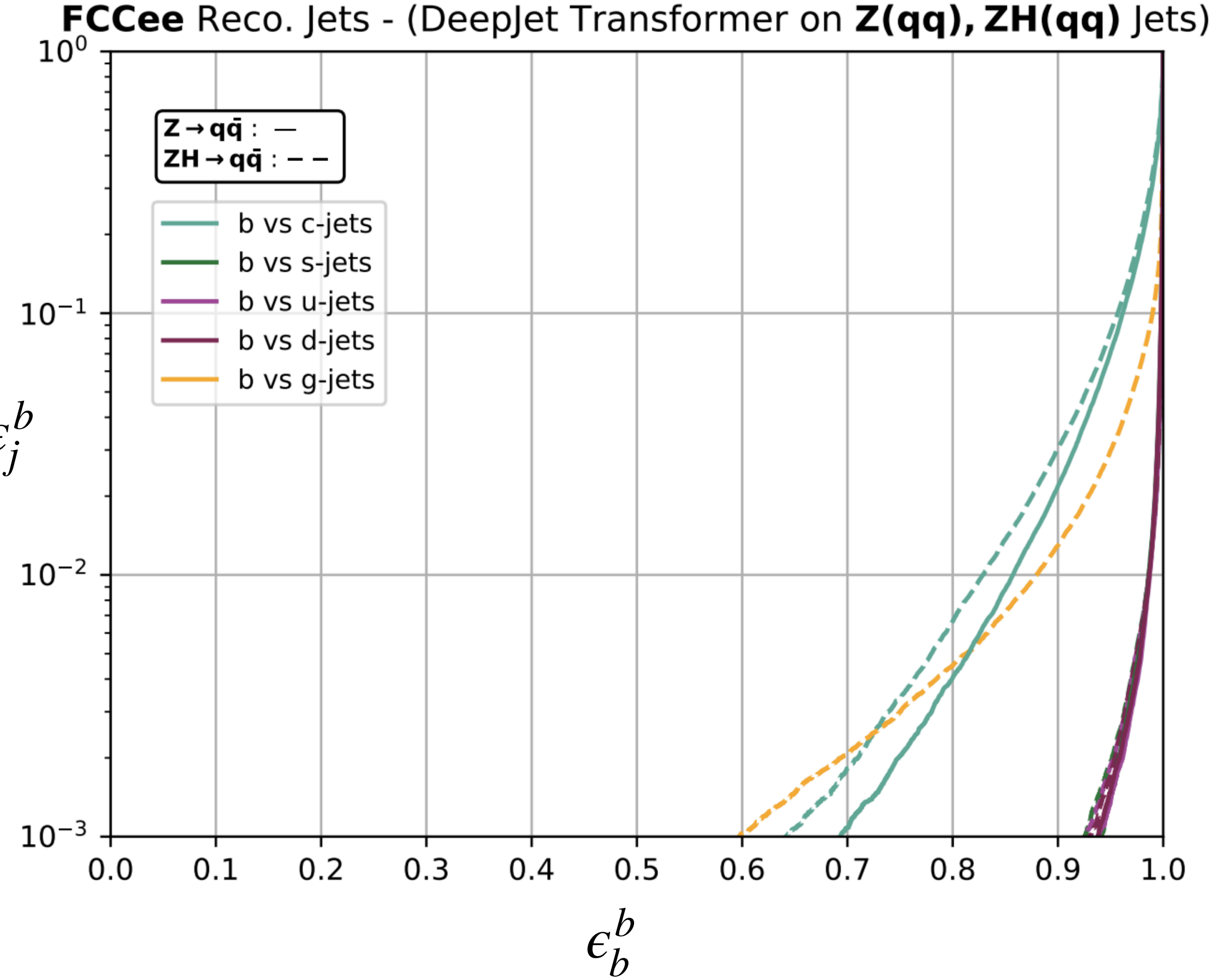
$$\text{False positives stat} \leftarrow + \frac{2(\epsilon_b^b - R_b(2 - \epsilon_b^b)(2\epsilon_b^b - 1))}{N_{\text{tot}} R_b^2 (\epsilon_b^b)^3} \epsilon_j^b$$

$$\text{False positives syst} \leftarrow + \frac{4(R_b - 1)^2 (\epsilon_j^b)^2}{R_b^2 (\epsilon_b^b)^2} (\delta_\epsilon)^2 + \mathcal{O}((\epsilon_j^b)^2)$$

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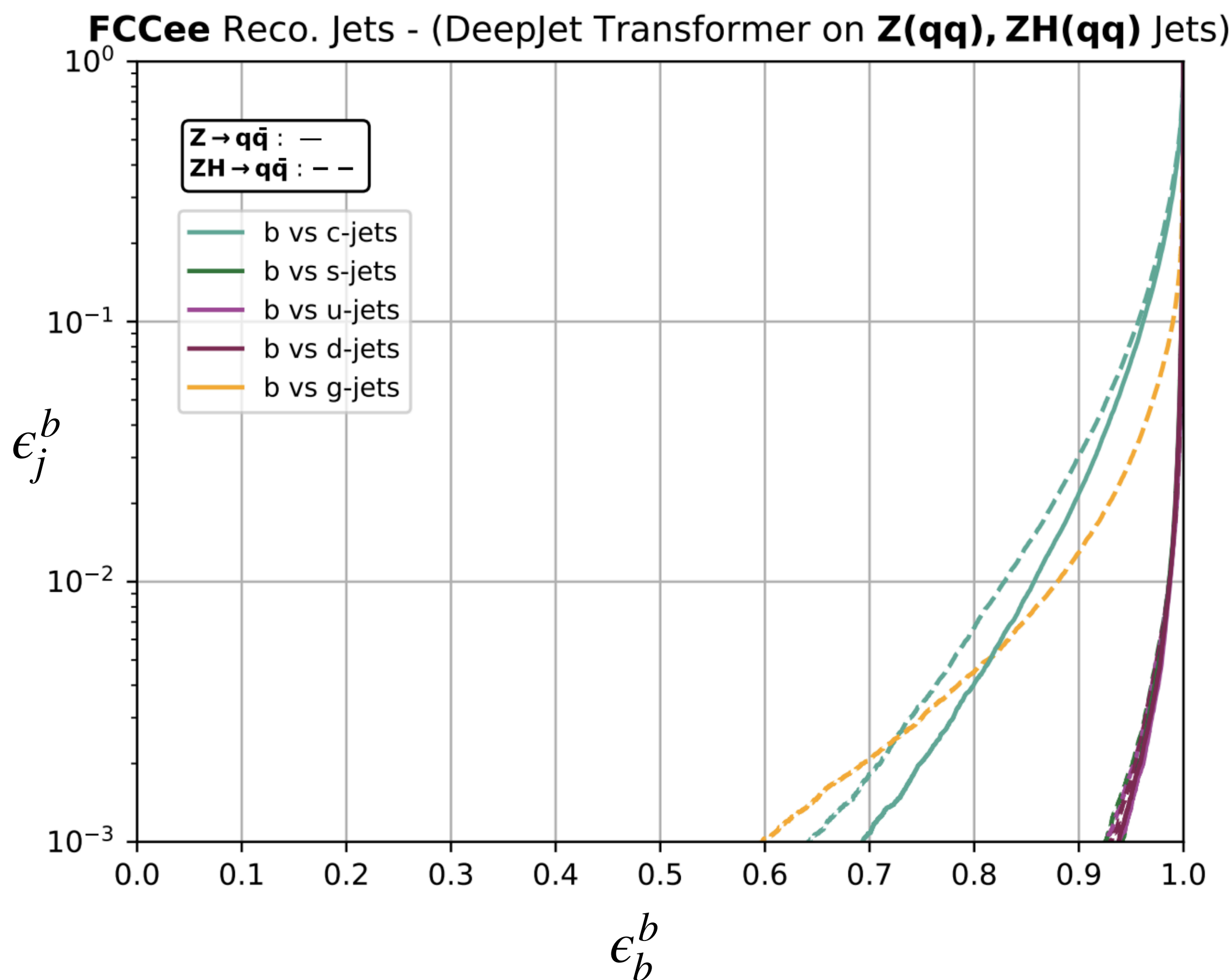


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$$\frac{\Delta R_b}{R_b} \simeq 2 \times 10^{-4} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \epsilon_b^b \simeq 0.65 \\ \epsilon_j^b \simeq 10^{-3} \end{array} \right)$$

- Almost saturates naïve stat & theory limit
- LEP-II: $\Delta R_b/R_b \simeq O(0.01)$ LEP EW WG (2003,2013)

→ **impressive $O(10^2)$ improvement!**

Note: for role of additional background (e.g. collimated VV) see the paper

1. Observables and flavor tagging above the Z-pole

Realistic fit: results

| Observable/FCC-ee | Rel. Err. (10^{-3}) | WW | Zh | $t\bar{t}$ |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------------|
| R_b | | 0.17 | 0.36 | 0.96 |
| R_s | | 3.7 | 5.8 | 10 |
| R_c | | 0.14 | 0.27 | 0.69 |
| R_t | | - | - | 1.2 |
| $R_{\tau,\mu}$ | | 0.16 | 0.35 | 0.97 |
| R_e | | 0.50 | 0.52 | 0.64 |

→ Fit R_b, R_s, R_c simultaneously

Small correlations:
e.g. WW

$$\rho = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -0.006 & -0.22 \\ -0.006 & 1 & -0.006 \\ -0.22 & -0.006 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

assuming $\Delta m_t/m_t \lesssim O(0.1\%)$
from FCC-ee m_t runs

stat ←

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syst (theory) ←

Solid $O(10^2)$ improvement compared to LEP-II

Room for improvement: s -tagging

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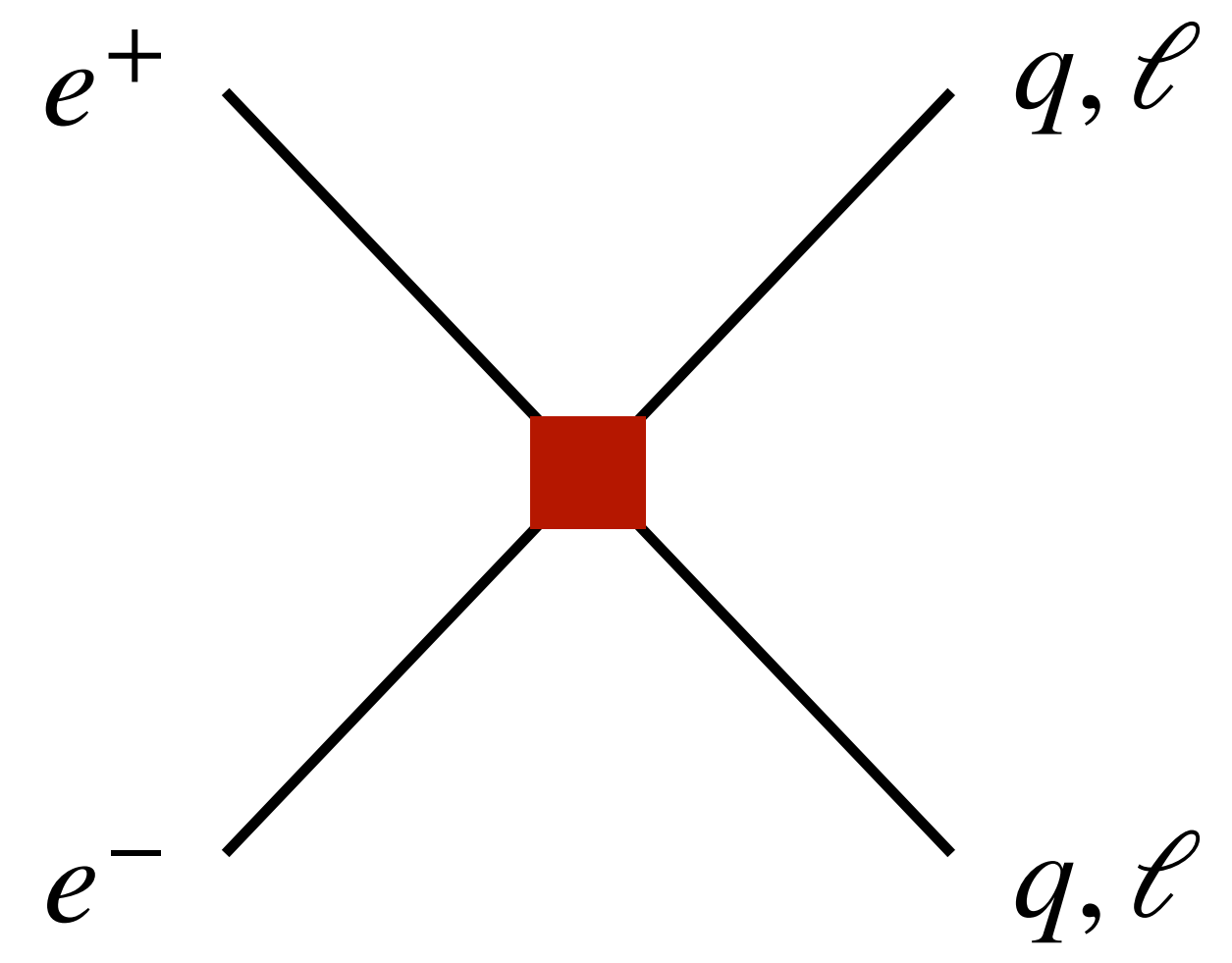
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- Global likelihood with the 3 runs, one operator at a time

→ set $c_i = 1 \Rightarrow$ lower bound on Λ

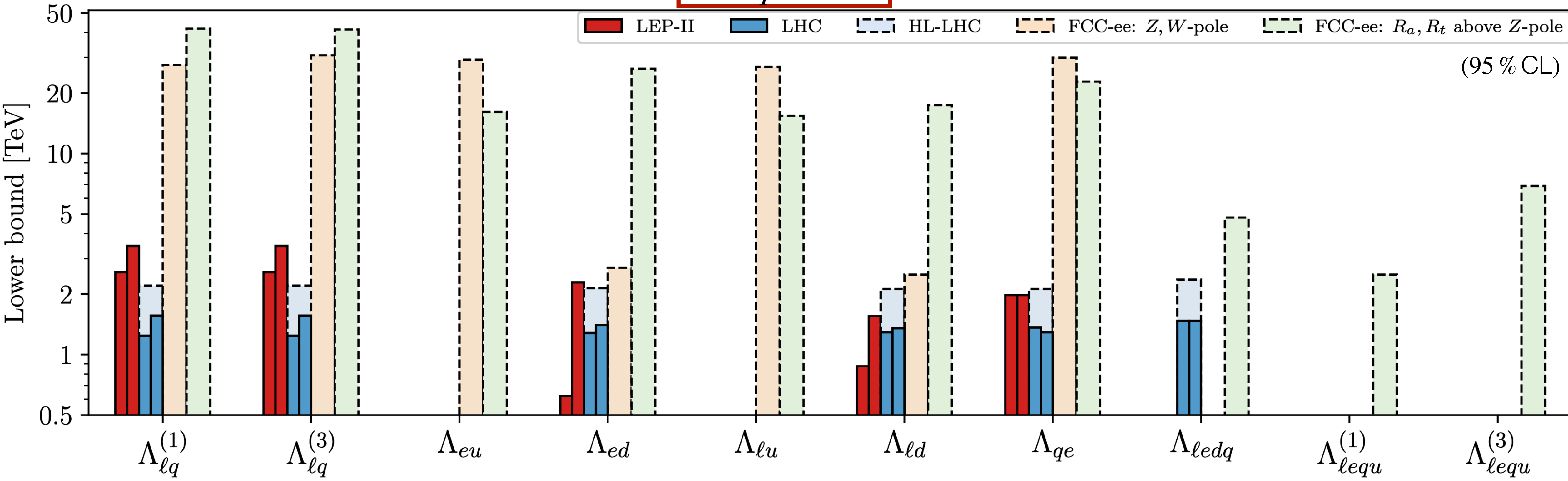
→ $\Delta R_a / R_a^{\text{SM}} \sim s / \Lambda^2$: growth compensates precision deterioration!

→ Alternative: pair-production *around* the Z -pole \Rightarrow See Ge et al (2024)

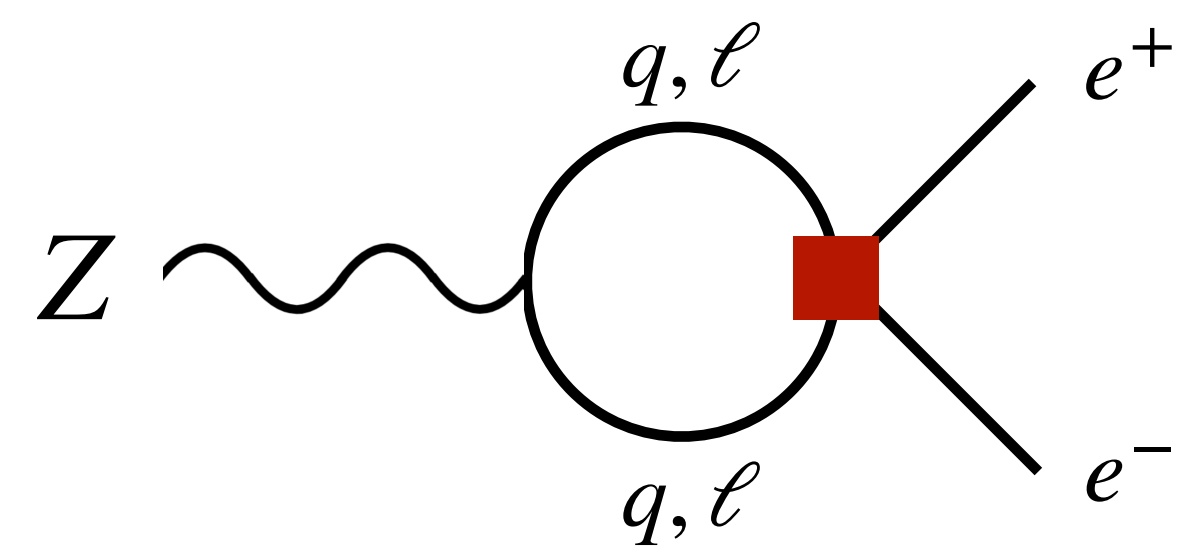
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$2\ell 2q$ 1133



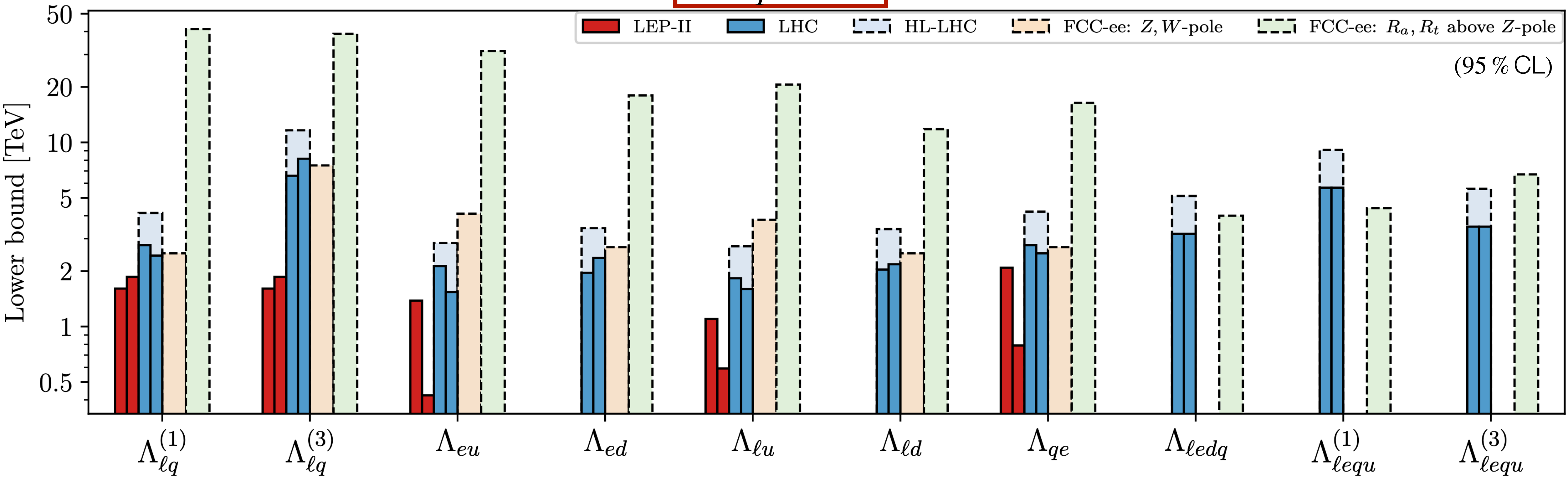
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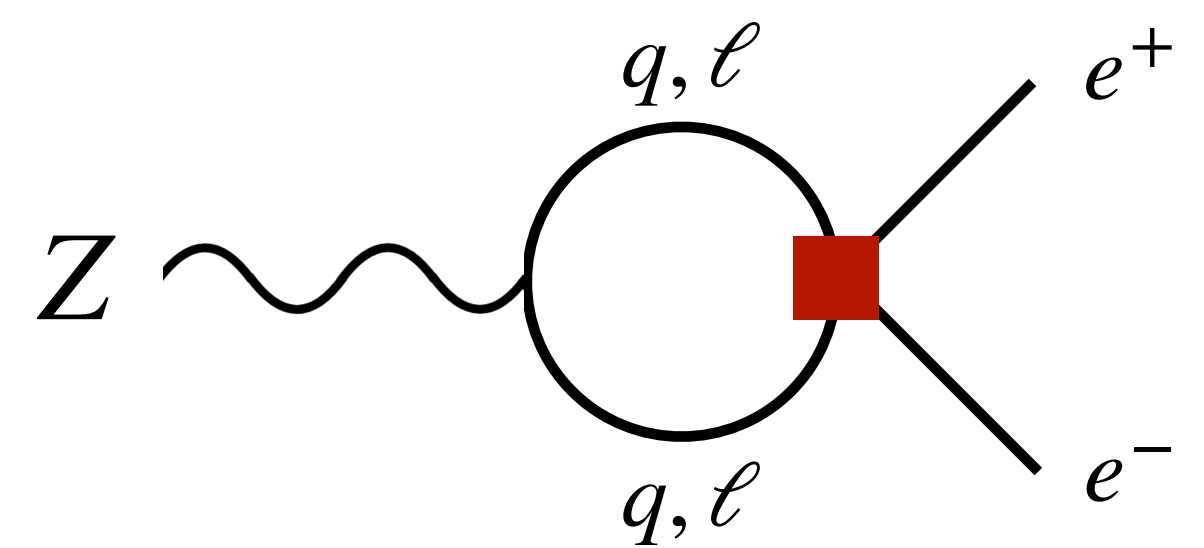
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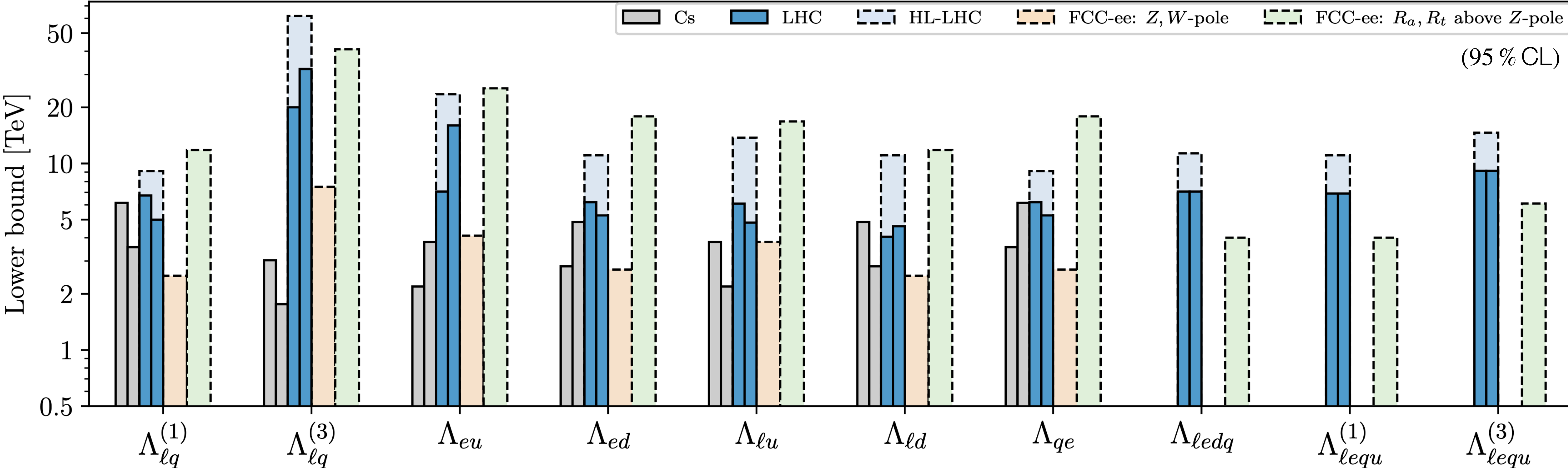
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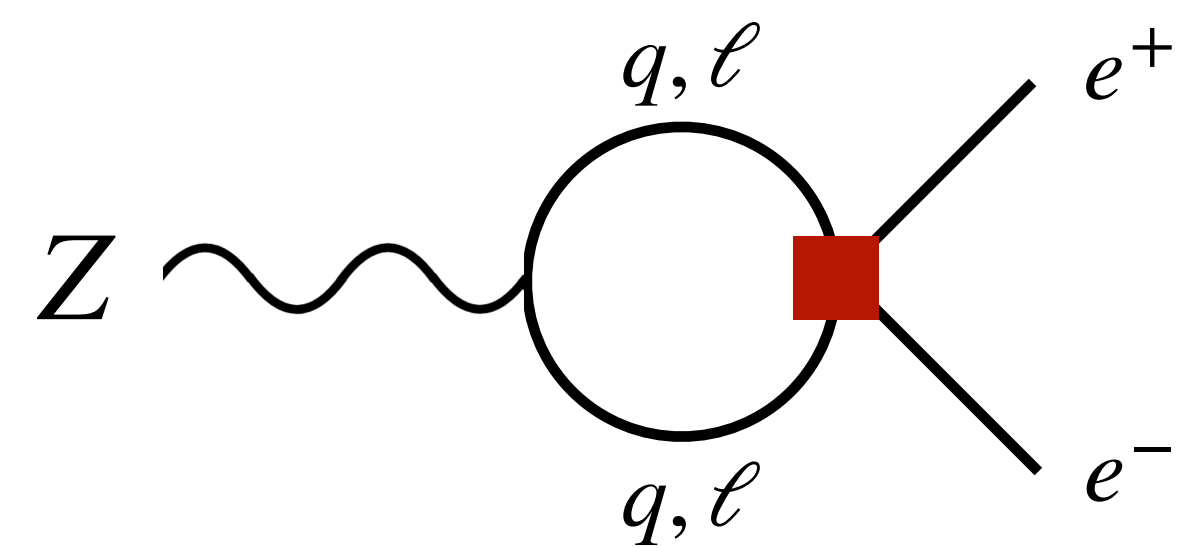
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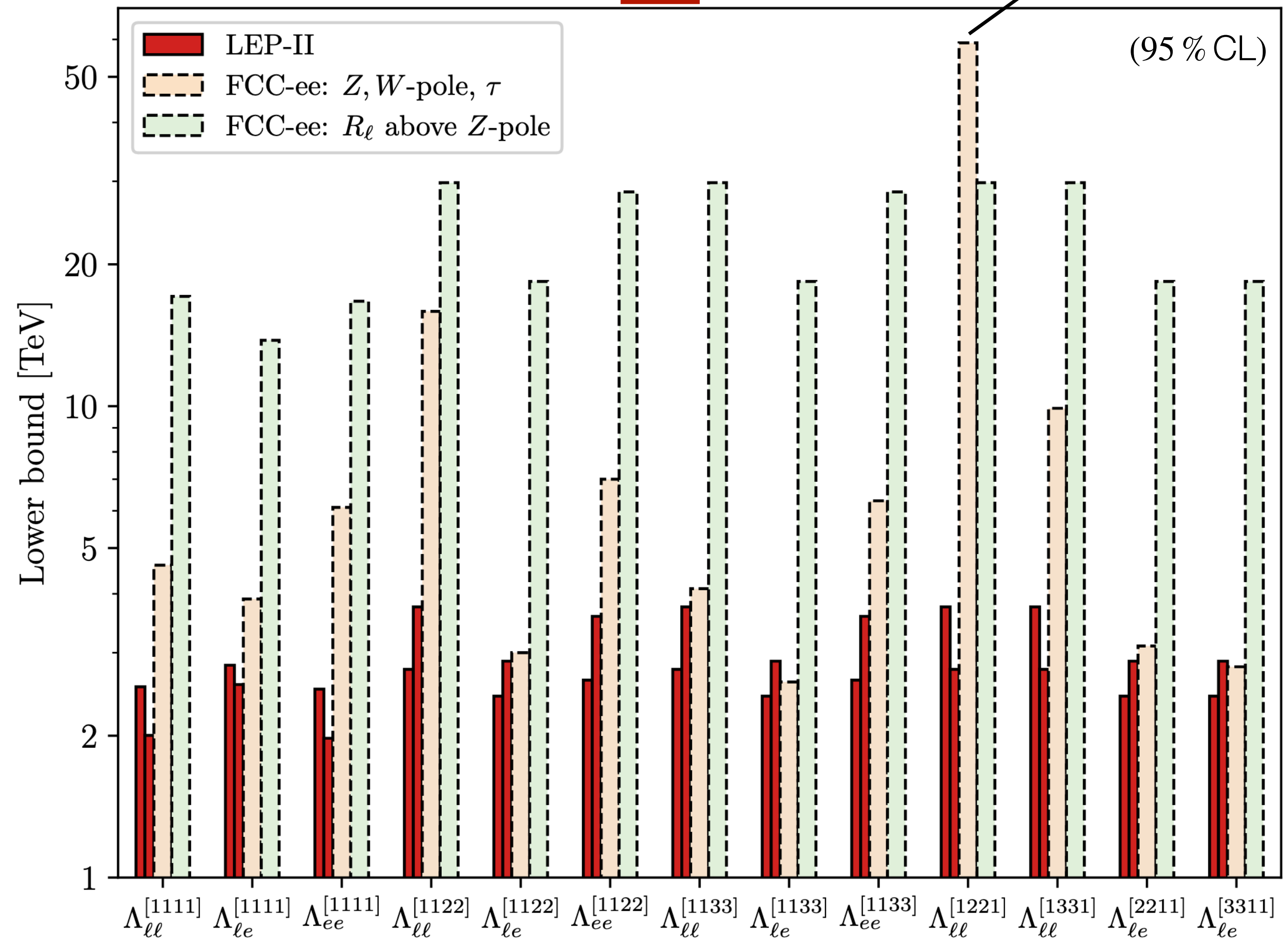


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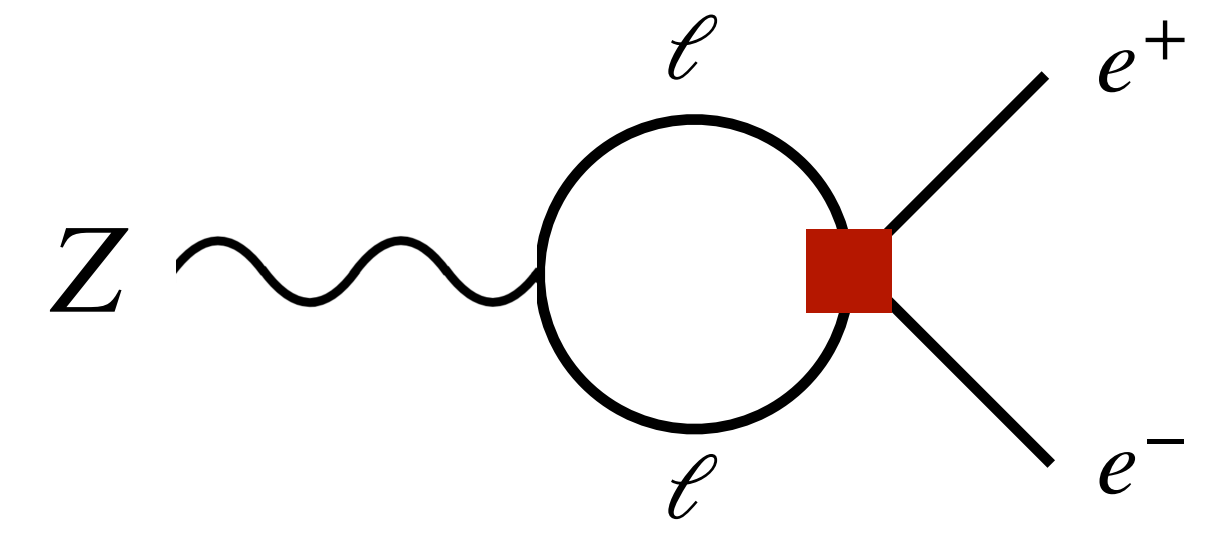
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* tree-level G_F (muon decay)



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- Current results in flavor tagging at FCC-ee basically allow saturation of the naïve stat limit on R_b, R_c (for R_s improvement needed)
- R_a ratios above the Z -pole at FCC-ee:
probe flavor conserving, non-universal new physics via 4F ops. up to $\mathcal{O}(50)$ TeV!
- SMEFT RGE:
interplay/complementarity between Z -pole EWPO (1-loop) and above the pole (TL)

Thank you for your attention!

BACKUP

Other bounds

Oblique corrections

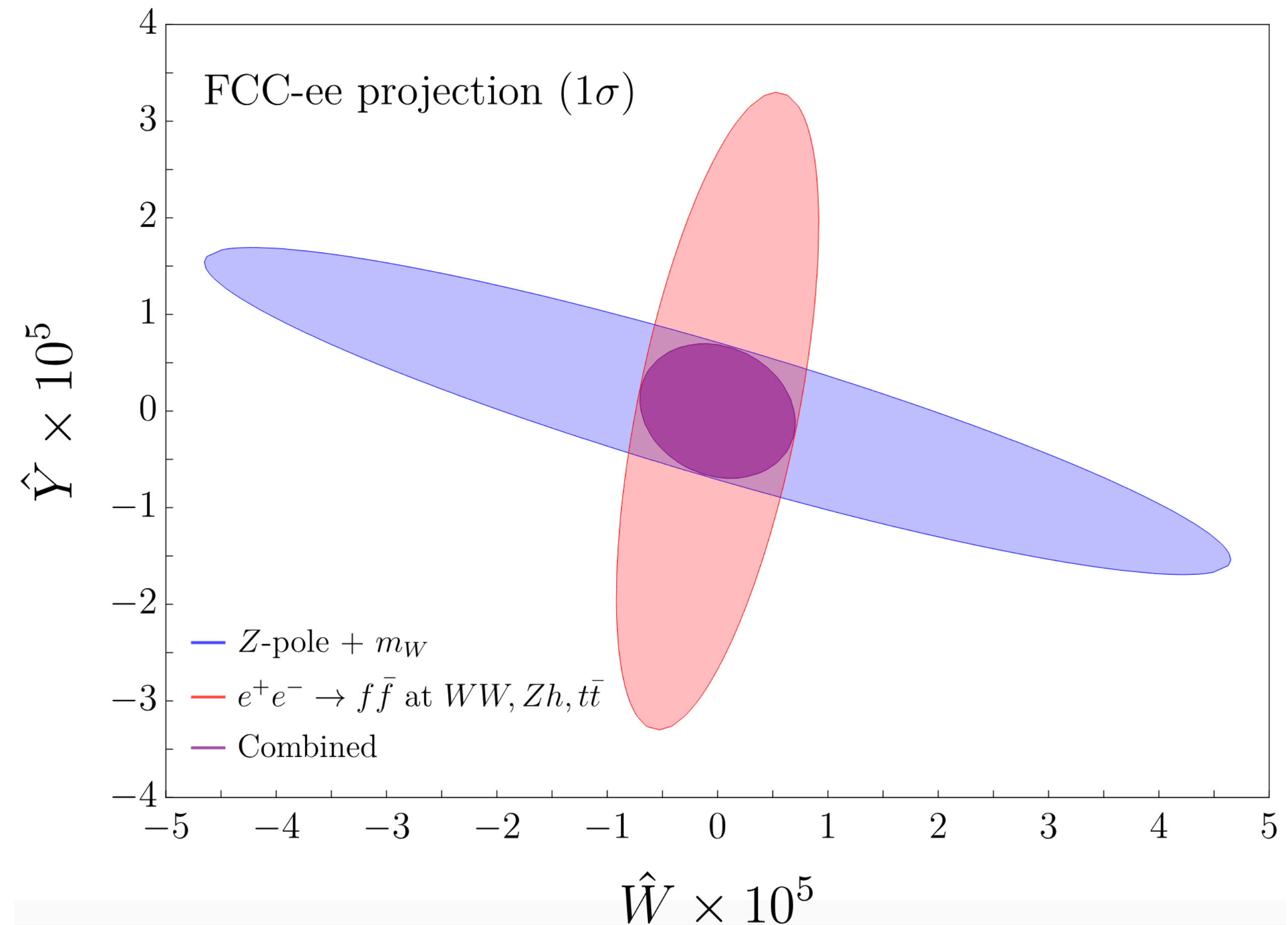
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} \supset -\frac{\hat{W}}{4m_W^2} (D_\rho W_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 - \frac{\hat{Y}}{4m_W^2} (\partial_\rho B_{\mu\nu})^2$$

EoM:

flavor conserving, non-universal 4F
(TL *above* the Z-pole)

+

Higgs-fermion current operators
(TL *at* the Z-pole)



Other bounds

3rd gen only:
Pure RG effect,
 both at Z and above

| $\Lambda^{[3333]}$ [TeV] | FCC-ee Z, W-pole+ τ | FCC-ee above Z-pole |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| $\Lambda_{lq}^{(1)}$ | 15.7 | 1.1 |
| $\Lambda_{lq}^{(3)}$ | 14.0 | 5.1 |
| Λ_{eu} | 16.2 | 1.6 |
| Λ_{ed} | 1.5 | 1.3 |
| Λ_{lu} | 15.4 | 1.5 |
| Λ_{ld} | 1.5 | 1.3 |
| Λ_{qe} | 16.7 | 1.1 |
| Λ_{ll} | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Λ_{le} | 2.1 | 1.5 |
| Λ_{ee} | 3.5 | 2.4 |
| $\Lambda_{qq}^{(1)}$ | 13.1 | 2.4 |
| $\Lambda_{qq}^{(3)}$ | 8.4 | 7.1 |
| $\Lambda_{qu}^{(1)}$ | 9.4 | 1.4 |
| $\Lambda_{qd}^{(1)}$ | 3.1 | 0.9 |
| Λ_{uu} | 12.1 | 1.9 |
| Λ_{dd} | 0.4 | 2.3 |
| $\Lambda_{ud}^{(1)}$ | 2.8 | 1.9 |

4F operators *around* the Z-pole?

Ge et al (2024)

Key:
$$\sigma_{Z,SM} \sim \frac{s}{(s - m_Z^2)^2 + m_Z^2 \Gamma_Z^2} \longrightarrow \frac{\sigma_{BSM}}{\sigma_{SM,Z}} \sim \frac{s - m_Z^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

$\sqrt{s} \supset m_Z \pm 5$ GeV: larger stat but relative effect suppressed

Comparing results: stronger bounds above the pole

Flavor-violating ratios

$$R_{ij} = \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{q}_i q_j) + \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{q}_j q_i)}{\sum_{k,l} \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{q}_k q_l)}$$

Consider only N_{ij}
(contrib. to other bins negligible)

$$E[S] = s/\sigma_b$$

$$\sigma_b \simeq (b + \sum_k \sigma_{b,k})^{1/2}$$

$$R_{ij} \lesssim 1.645 \frac{\sigma_b}{N_{\text{tot}} \epsilon_i^i \epsilon_j^j} \quad (95\% \text{ CL})$$

Result 

| Energy | ij | R_{ij} |
|------------|------|----------------------|
| WW | bs | $2.80 \cdot 10^{-6}$ |
| | bd | $3.44 \cdot 10^{-5}$ |
| | cu | $5.28 \cdot 10^{-5}$ |
| Zh | bs | $6.37 \cdot 10^{-6}$ |
| | bd | $6.58 \cdot 10^{-5}$ |
| | cu | $1.10 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |
| $t\bar{t}$ | bs | $1.79 \cdot 10^{-5}$ |
| | bd | $1.53 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |
| | cu | $2.70 \cdot 10^{-4}$ |

Flavor-violating ratios

SMEFT interpretation:

$$|\Lambda_{1123}| > 16 \text{ TeV for } \mathcal{O}_{\ell q}^{(1)}, \mathcal{O}_{\ell q}^{(3)}, \mathcal{O}_{\ell d}, \mathcal{O}_{ed}, \mathcal{O}_{qe},$$

$$|\Lambda_{1113}| > 9.4 \text{ TeV for } \mathcal{O}_{\ell q}^{(1)}, \mathcal{O}_{\ell q}^{(3)}, \mathcal{O}_{\ell d}, \mathcal{O}_{ed}, \mathcal{O}_{qe}$$

$$|\Lambda_{1112}| > 8.1 \text{ TeV for } \mathcal{O}_{\ell q}^{(1)}, \mathcal{O}_{\ell q}^{(3)}, \mathcal{O}_{\ell u}, \mathcal{O}_{eu}, \mathcal{O}_{qe}$$

Bounds generally weaker/comparable with ones from hadronic decays