

Of Contact Interactions and Colliders

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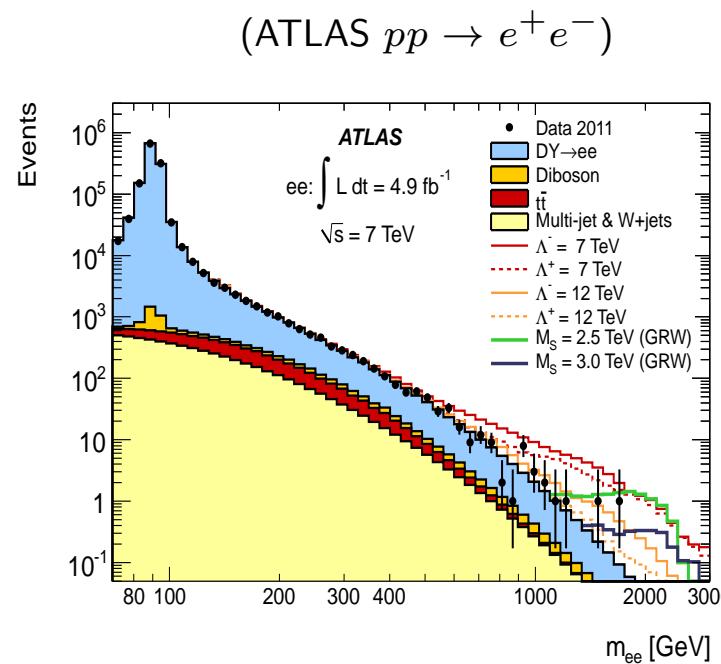
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Suppose the LHC does not find new particles....*what to learn from:*



...rather than simulating and constraining models...*fit the data* (1307.5068 et al + Santiago)
...rather than contact interactions ...use *non-local* “form factors”

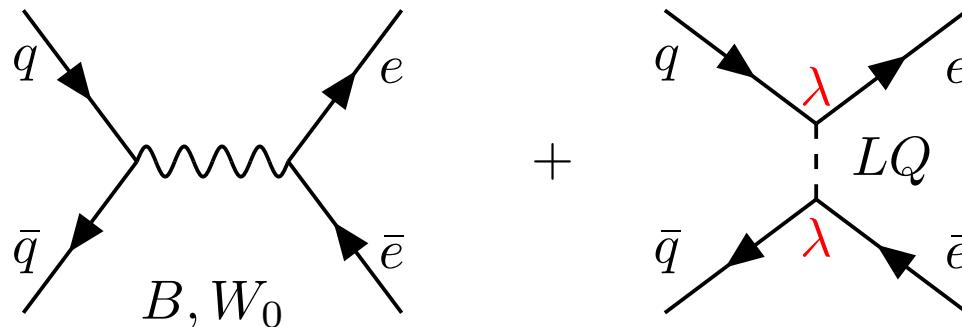
Outline: looking for New Physics in the tail of $pp \rightarrow e^+e^-$

1. why *not* to set bounds on Contact Interactions (CI)? A leptoquark example
 - problem 1: bound from shape: not translatable from one CI to next
 - problem 2: CI assumes $\hat{s} \ll \Lambda^2$... its not.
2. instead: *fit* the data ($= pp \rightarrow e^+e^-$) ...to what?
 - $\frac{d\sigma}{d\hat{s}}(pp \rightarrow e^+e^-) \propto$ partonic cross-section
 - choose fit parameters from partonic cross-section (whose parameters are “almost observables”)
3. our estimated bounds from $pp \rightarrow e^+e^-$
 - one plot: constrain any *t*-channel leptoquarks any combo of contact interactions

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{s} &= \text{cm energy} \\ \text{CI coeff} &= \frac{4\pi}{\Lambda^2}\end{aligned}$$

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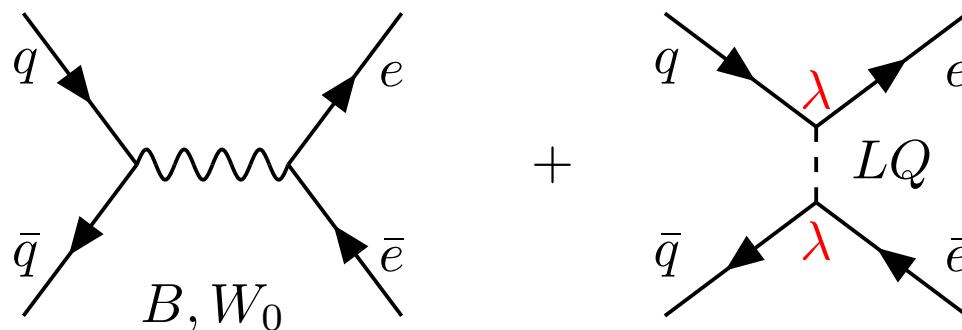
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induces contact interaction $-\frac{|\lambda_R|^2}{2m_{LQ}^2}(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu P_R u)(\bar{e}\gamma_\mu P_R e)$ (in $\hat{s} \ll m_{LQ}^2$ limit)

Conventional normalisation: $\frac{|\lambda_R|^2}{2m_{LQ}^2} = \frac{4\pi}{\Lambda^2}$

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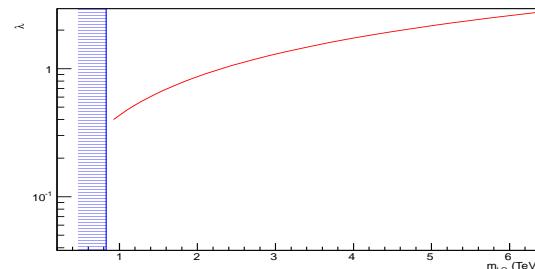
(why?): pair production bound:

$$m_{LQ} \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}, \quad 10^{-8} \lesssim \lambda \lesssim 2\sqrt{\pi}$$

whereas $q\bar{q}e^+e^-$ contact interaction bound :

$$\Lambda \gtrsim 10 - 20 \text{ TeV}, \quad \lambda^2 = 8\pi$$

⇒ is there sensitivity to $m_{LQ} \gtrsim \text{TeV}$, $\lambda \gtrsim 1$?



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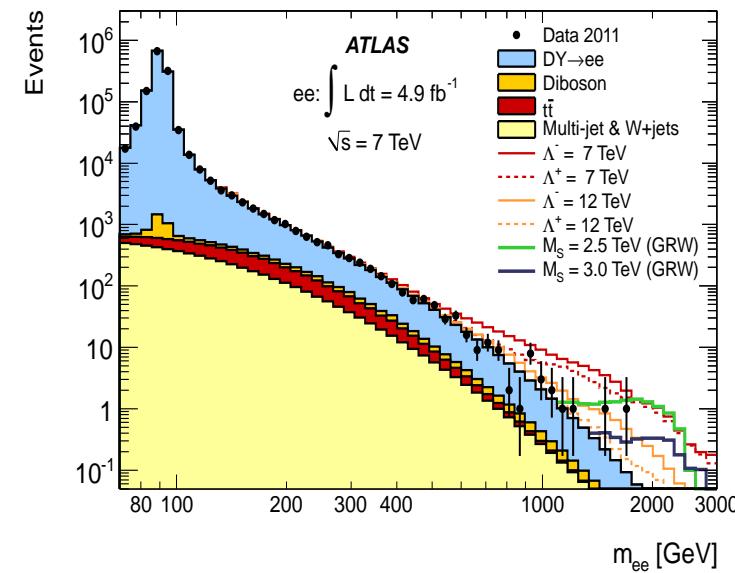
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exptal limit arises from deviation
 $|SM|^2 - |SM + NP|^2$ over several bins....
but *different NP have different shapes...*

None of the LQ induce the exptal CI



Bounds on complete set of operators does *NOT* help:

- 1) all ops contribute to same observable (despite that few interefere).
- 2) Constrain a deviation from SM (\pm)...so sum of operators whose intereference terms cancel can be less constrained...

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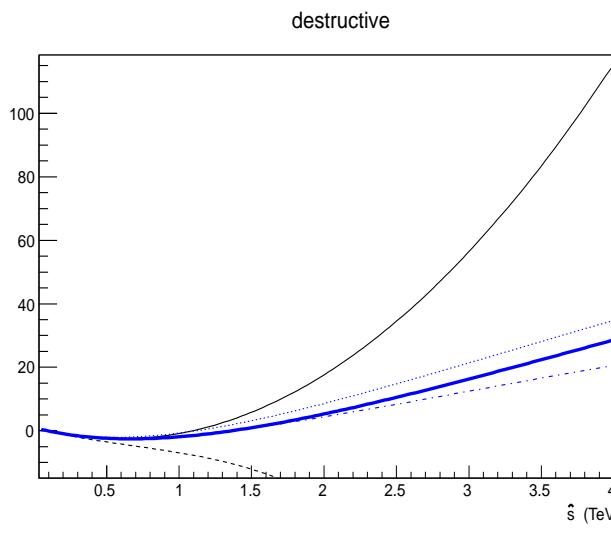
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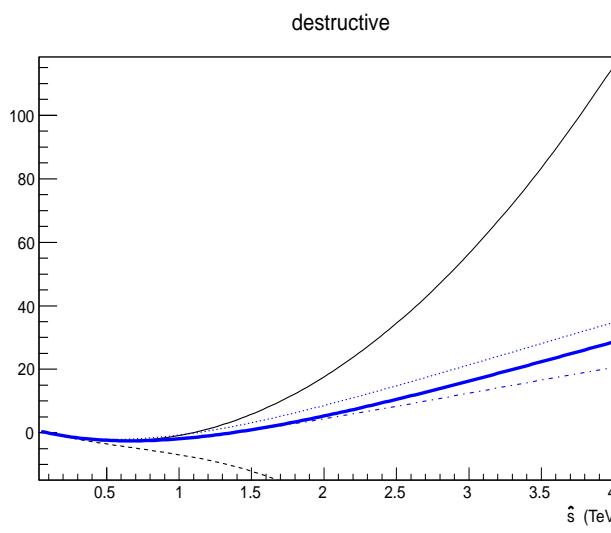
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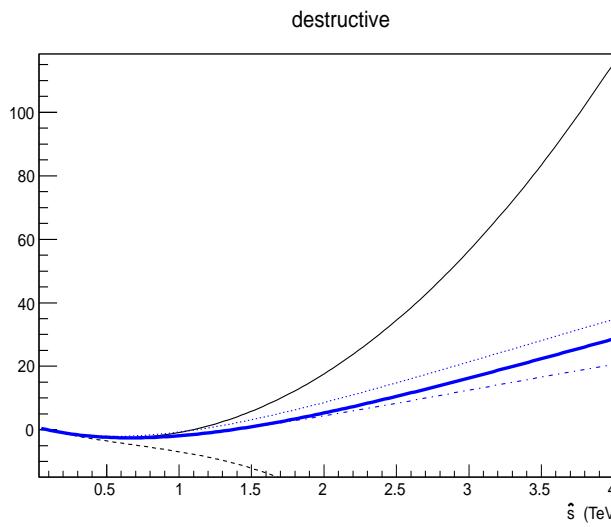
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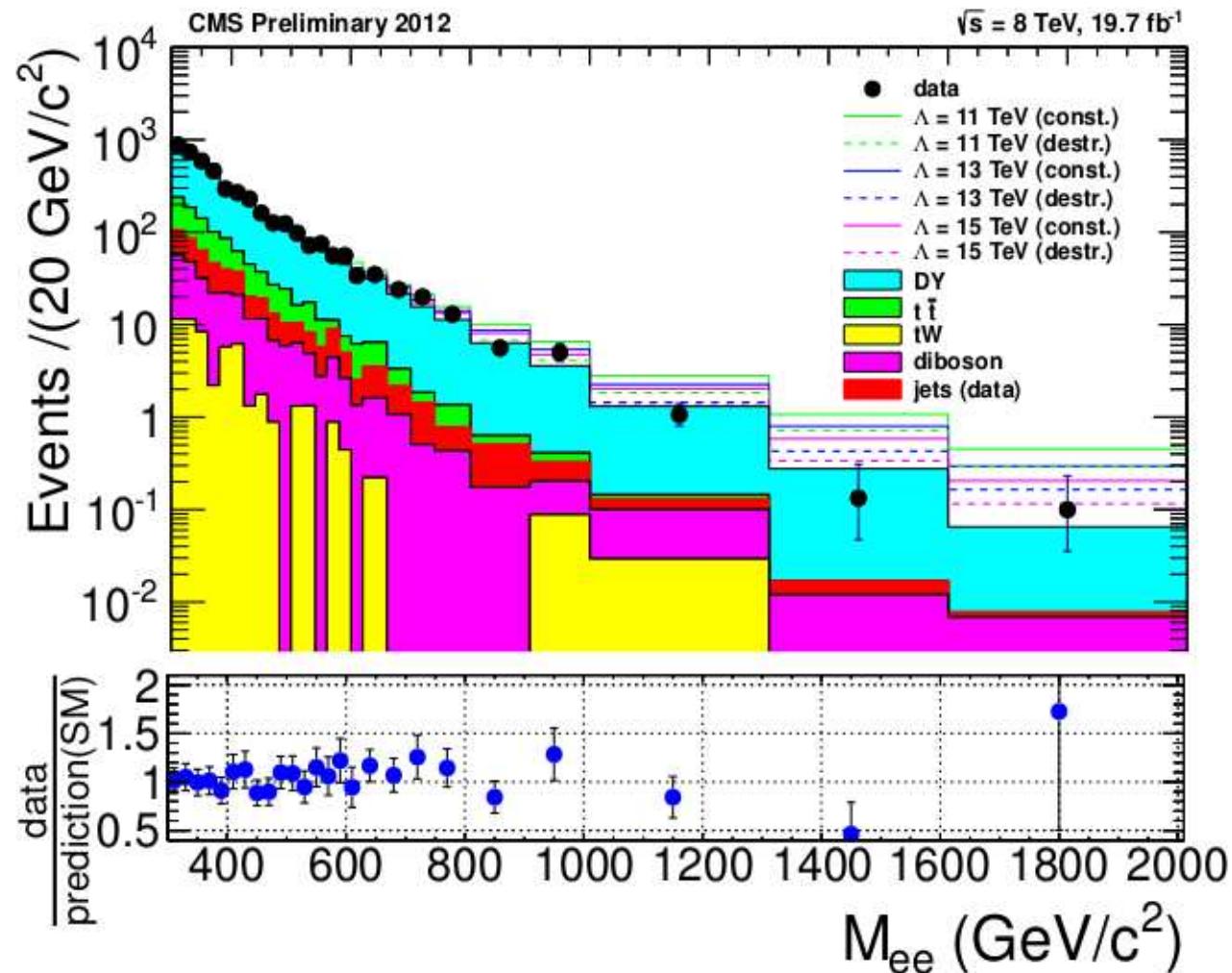
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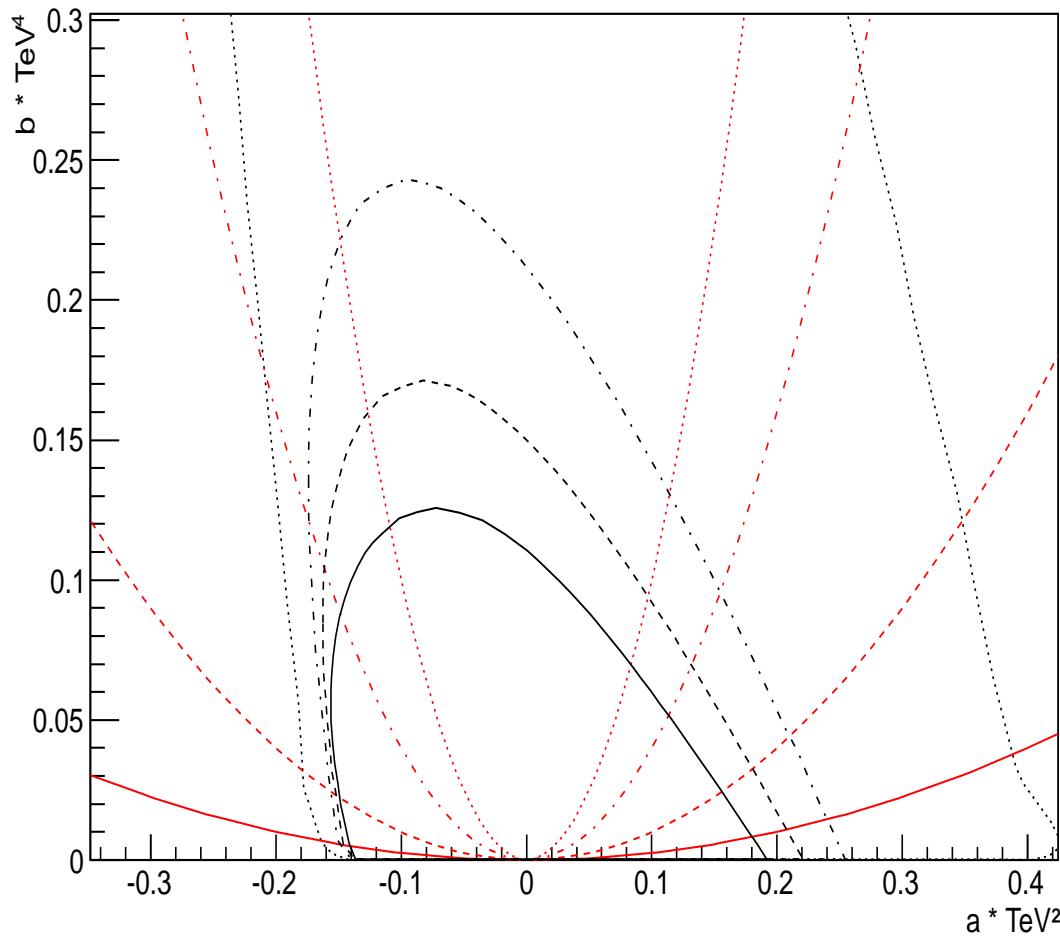
(Recall, for t -channel LQ exchange, had

$$\hat{\sigma} \simeq \frac{1}{\hat{s}} \left(\frac{g_2^4}{8} + \epsilon_{int} g_2^2 \frac{4\pi}{\Lambda^2} \frac{\hat{s}}{(1+\hat{s}/m^2)} + \epsilon_{NP} \frac{16\pi^2}{\Lambda^4} \frac{\hat{s}^2}{(1+\hat{s}/m^2)^2} \right) \quad 4\pi/\Lambda^2 \leftrightarrow \lambda^2/2m^2$$

\Rightarrow fix $c = 1/m_{LQ}^2$ do linear fit data to a, b



fit to e+e- data



models have an
unknown = λ ,
are red lines.
Parabola $a^2 \propto b$
determined by
amount of interference

$$\frac{d\sigma_{SM}}{d\hat{s}} \left(1 + a \frac{\hat{s}}{1 + c\hat{s}} + b \frac{\hat{s}^2}{(1 + c\hat{s})^2} \right) \quad \text{for } c = \frac{\text{TeV}^2}{m^2} = 0, \frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{4}, 1$$

Summary

We are looking for traces of New Particles in the highest energy $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ events

Rather than simulate a model, or a collection of contact interactions, we fit the $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ data to “form factors.” The form factors are motivated by the partonic cross-section, so translating bounds on fit parameters to models is simple.

Our “contact interaction ellipse” reproduces the CMS bound on the contact interaction they simulate:

$$\Lambda_{des}^{DDGV} \geq 16.3 \text{ TeV}, \Lambda_{con}^{DDGV} \geq 19.0 \text{ TeV}, \Lambda_{des}^{CMS} \geq 13.5 \text{ TeV}, \Lambda_{con}^{CMS} \geq 18.3 \text{ TeV}$$

Our ellipse also give bounds on any other contact interaction (*eg* s -channel New Physics).

Our “form factor ellipses” allow to constrain new particles exchange in the t -channel (all possible leptoquarks), for arbitrary couplings and masses.



fit data to “form factors”



Other things



*! Thank you !
to organisers and speakers
for an interesting conference*



In July 2017, there will be summer school at Les Houches about EFT (organised by Matthias Neubert, Mikko Laine, Paolo Gambino and me).

Suggestions (topics, lecturers, organisation) are welcome, and please send your students :)

What about *s*-channel New Physics?

The rise towards the peak, for $\hat{s} \ll M^2$ can be parametrised as a contact interaction ($c \rightarrow 0$).

However, the expansion in $\hat{s}/(\hat{s} + M^2)$, (useful for *t*-channel exchange),
has no advantages in this case.



For $M^2 < \hat{s}$, possible (?) that an *s*-channel resonance could contribute a shoulder (like *t*-channel exchange) in the binned $pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ data.

(...depends on pdfs, binning, resonance properties...)

To constrain a model

Guessed a form-factor parametrisation from NP partonic x-section:

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\Rightarrow allowed ellipses in a, b for given c .

a, b, c calculable from partonic x-section of New Physics model

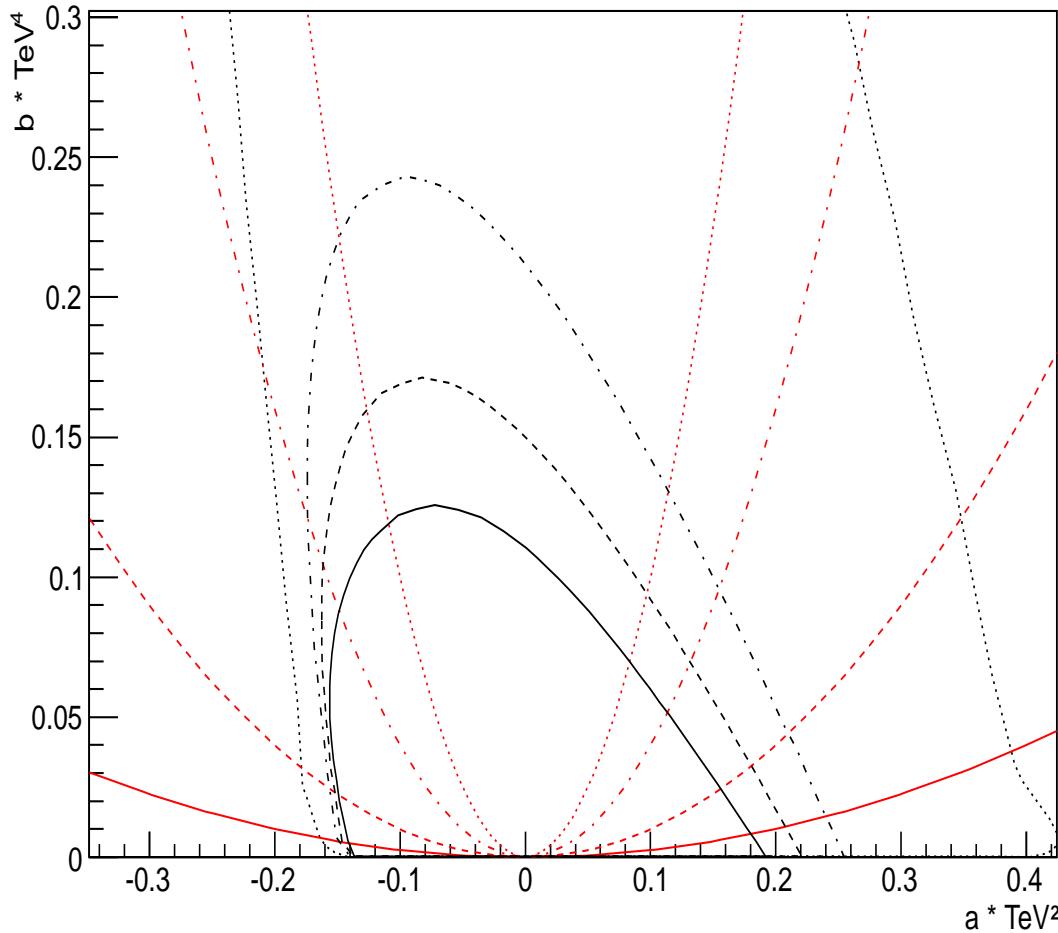
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$$a = \frac{72\pi\epsilon_{int}}{\Lambda^2} , \quad b \simeq \frac{\epsilon_{NP}}{[\Lambda/9.0]^4} , \quad c = \frac{1}{m^2}$$

λ, m parameters to constrain:

$\epsilon_{int}, \epsilon_{NP}$ constants of NP model, calculable from partonic xsection: $a^2 \propto \frac{\epsilon_{int}}{\epsilon_{NP}^2} b$

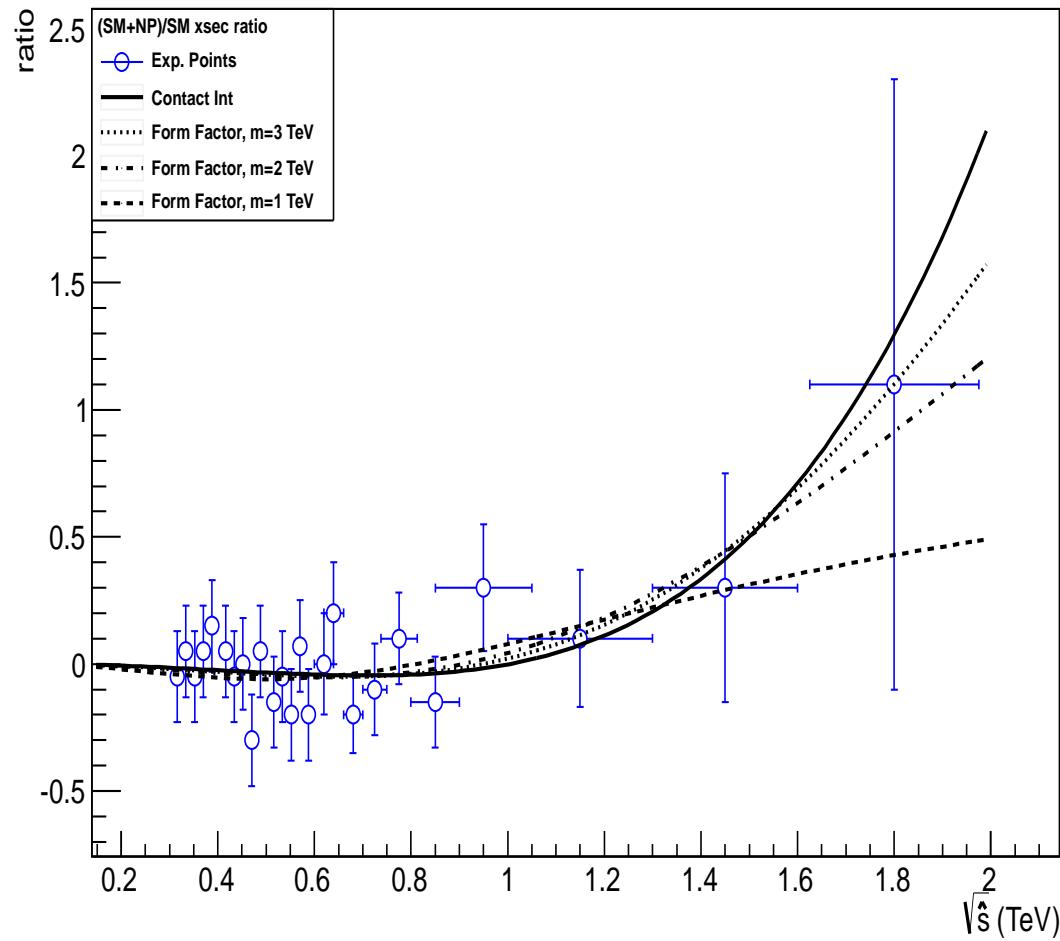
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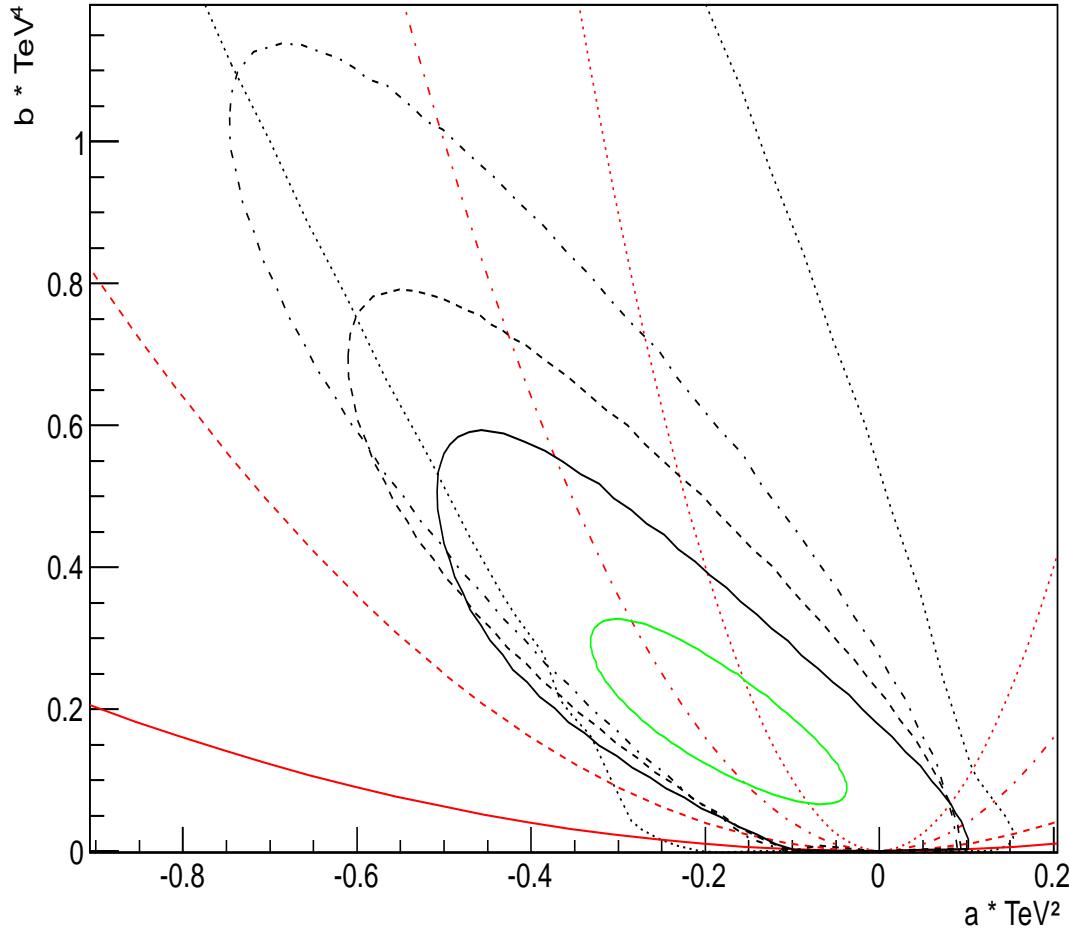
The $pp \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ data

$\mu\mu$ Cross Section Ratio



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\hat{s}}|_{data} = \left(1 + a \frac{\hat{s}}{1+c\hat{s}} + b \frac{\hat{s}^2}{(1+c\hat{s})^2} \right) , \quad \text{for } c = \frac{\text{TeV}^2}{m^2} = 0, \frac{1}{9}, \frac{1}{4}, 1$$

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Leptoquark limits

leptoquark	$m_{LQ} = 3 \text{ TeV}, \lambda^2 <$	$m_{LQ} = 2 \text{ TeV}, \lambda^2 <$	$m_{LQ} = 1 \text{ TeV}, \lambda^2 <$
S_o, λ_{LS_o}	0.54	0.24	0.07
S_o, λ_{RS_o}	0.54	0.24	0.07
$\tilde{S}_o, \lambda_{R\tilde{S}_o}$	1.4	0.74	0.32
S_2, λ_L	0.90	0.48	0.20
S_2, λ_R	0.84	0.45	0.20
$\tilde{S}_2, \lambda_{L\tilde{S}_2}$	1.9	0.98	0.47
S_1, λ_{LS_1}	0.94	0.49	0.23

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{LQ} = & S_0(\lambda_{LS_0}\bar{\ell}i\tau_2q^c + \lambda_{RS_0}\bar{e}u^c) + \tilde{S}_0\tilde{\lambda}_{R\tilde{S}_0}\bar{e}d^c \\
 & + S_2(\lambda_{LS_2}\bar{\ell}u + \lambda_{RS_2}\bar{e}q[i\tau_2]) + \tilde{S}_2\tilde{\lambda}_{L\tilde{S}_2}\bar{\ell}d \\
 & + \vec{S}_1\lambda_{LS_1}\bar{\ell}i\tau_2\vec{\tau}q^c + h.c.
 \end{aligned}$$

interaction	Fierz – transformed \mathcal{M}
$(\lambda_{LS_o} \overline{q^c} i\sigma_2 \ell + \lambda_{RS_o} \overline{u^c} e) S_o^\dagger$	$(\overline{u} \gamma^\mu P_R u)(\overline{e} \gamma_\mu P_R e) \left(\frac{ \lambda_R ^2}{2(m_o^2 - \hat{\tau})} - \frac{2}{3} \frac{g'^2}{\hat{s}} \right)$ $(\overline{u} \gamma^\mu P_L u)(\overline{e} \gamma_\mu P_L e) \left(\frac{ \lambda_L ^2}{2(m_o^2 - \hat{\tau})} - \frac{1}{4} \frac{g^2}{\hat{s}} \right)$
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$(\lambda_L \overline{u} \ell + \lambda_R \overline{q} i\sigma_2 e) S_2^\dagger$	$(\overline{u} \gamma^\mu P_R u)(\overline{e} \gamma_\mu P_L e) \left(-\frac{ \lambda_L ^2}{2(m_2^2 - \hat{\tau})} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{g'^2}{\hat{s}} \right)$ $(\overline{u} \gamma^\mu P_L u)(\overline{e} \gamma_\mu P_R e) \left(-\frac{ \lambda_R ^2}{2(m_2^2 - \hat{\tau})} - \frac{1}{6} \frac{g'^2}{\hat{s}} \right)$ + $(\overline{d} \gamma^\mu P_L d)(\overline{e} \gamma_\mu P_R e) \left(-\frac{ \lambda_R ^2}{2(m_2^2 - \hat{\tau})} - \frac{1}{6} \frac{g'^2}{\hat{s}} \right)$
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