

Top partners/ vector-like quarks

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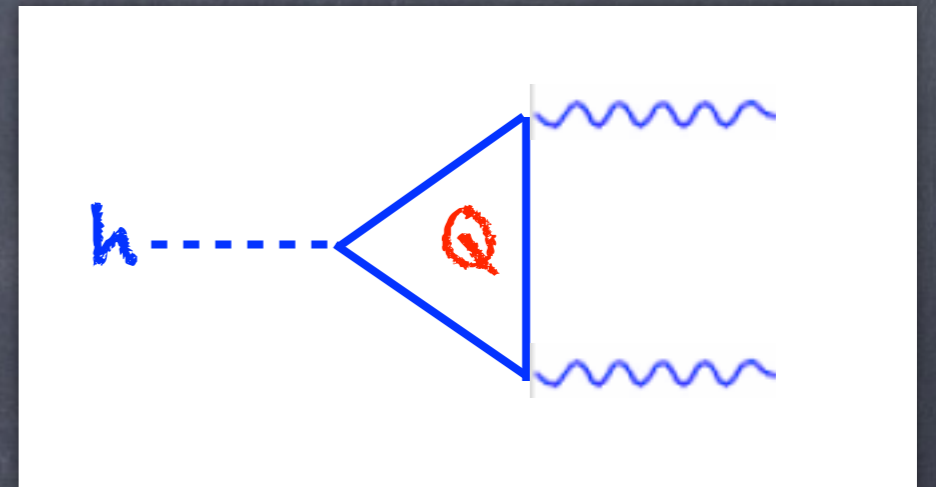


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decoupling limit exists
large couplings are needed

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- same-spin Top partners in Naturalness



Little Higgs, pNGB Higgs, ...
(COMPOSITENESS)

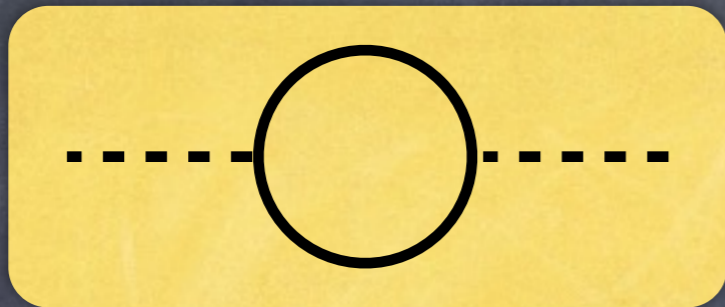


Contribute to
the Higgs potential



Light???

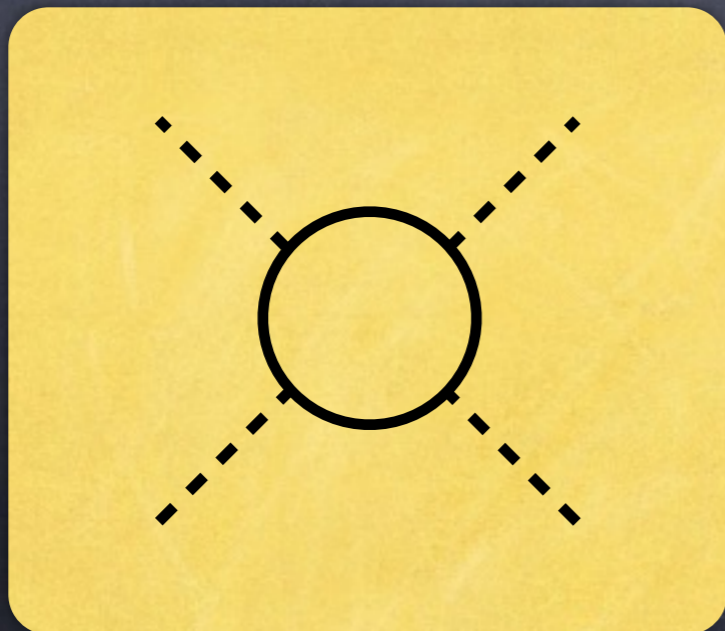
Anatomy of the potential



$$\delta m_h^2 \sim \frac{y^2}{16\pi^2} (4\pi f)^2 \sim y^2 \underbrace{f^2}_{\substack{\text{compositeness} \\ \text{scale}}}$$

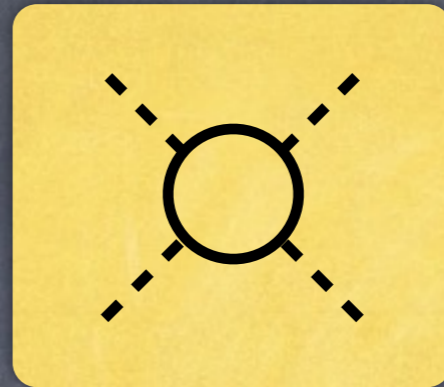
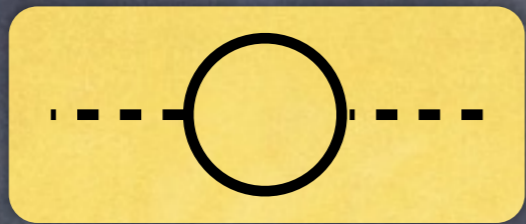
$$\Lambda \sim 4\pi f$$

Strong dynamics estimate



$$\delta\lambda \sim \frac{y^4}{16\pi^2} \log \Lambda$$

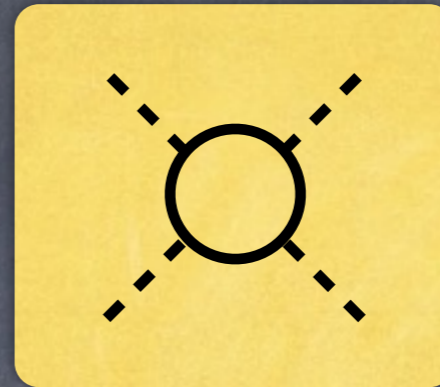
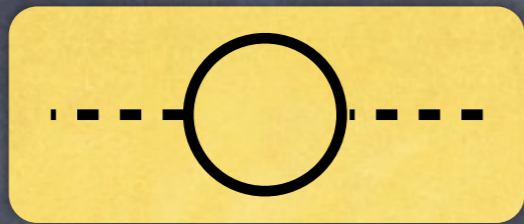
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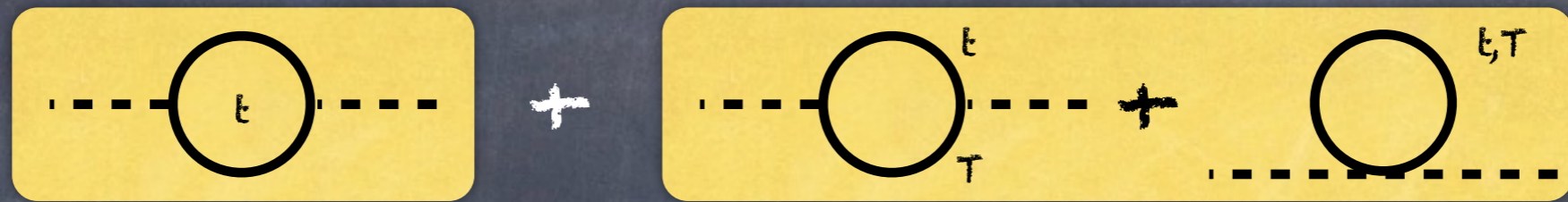


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Minimum: $\theta \sim \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (v = f)$

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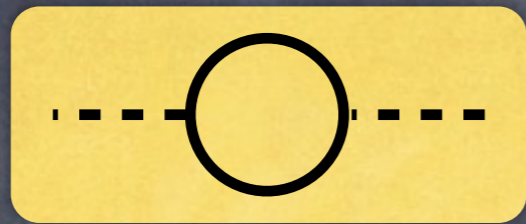
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$$\alpha < \beta$$

Minimum: $\theta \sim \epsilon \quad (v \ll f)$

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Mass of the underlying fermions

$$\sin \theta \sim \frac{v}{f}$$

$$V \sim \alpha \sin^2 \theta + \gamma \cos \theta$$

$$\alpha \sim \gamma$$

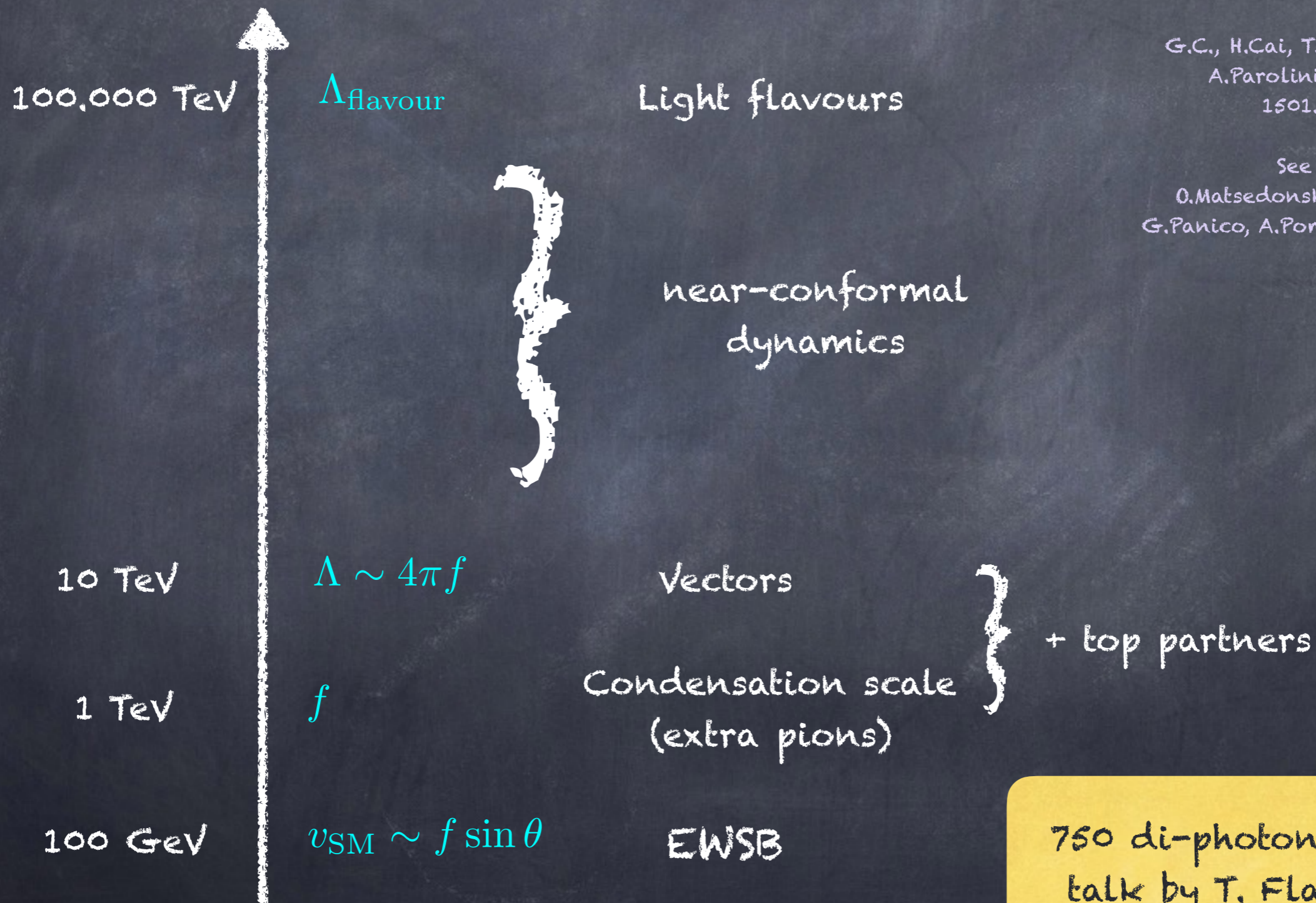
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Possible!

Anatomy of the potential

- Light top partners are NOT the only way to stabilise the Composite Higgs
- Why do we need them?

The hot potato: flavour!



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See also:
O.Matsedonskyi 1411.4638
G.Panico, A.Pomarol 1603.06609

750 di-photon: see
talk by T. Flacke

The hot potato: flavour!

$$M_{\text{up}} = \begin{array}{c} \text{SM quarks (3)} \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{VLQs (3)} \\ \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & & & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & m_{UV}^{\alpha\beta} \epsilon & & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline & & & Y_{LQ} & Y_{LX} \epsilon^2 & -Y_{L\bar{T}} \epsilon \\ 0 & 0 & Y_{RQ} \epsilon & M_4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -Y_{RX} \epsilon & 0 & M_4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Y_{R\bar{T}} & 0 & 0 & M_1 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

$$\epsilon \sim \frac{v}{f}$$

- Mixing is chiral!
- Couplings to light generations can be sizeable!
- Important consequence for single production!

VLQ @NLO_QCD

Similar to: M.Buchkremer, G.C., A.Deandrea, L.Panizzi 1305.4172

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = & \frac{\sqrt{2}g}{2} \left[\bar{Y}\vec{W} \left(\kappa_L^Y P_L + \kappa_R^Y P_R \right) d + \bar{B}\vec{W} \left(\kappa_L^B P_L + \kappa_R^B P_R \right) u \right. \\ & + \left. \bar{T}\vec{W} \left(\kappa_L^T P_L + \kappa_R^T P_R \right) d + \bar{X}\vec{W} \left(\kappa_L^X P_L + \kappa_R^X P_R \right) u \right] \\ & + \frac{g}{2c_W} \left[\bar{B}\vec{Z} \left(\tilde{\kappa}_L^B P_L + \tilde{\kappa}_R^B P_R \right) d + \bar{T}\vec{Z} \left(\tilde{\kappa}_L^T P_L + \tilde{\kappa}_R^T P_R \right) u \right] \\ & - h \left[\bar{B} \left(\hat{\kappa}_L^B P_L + \hat{\kappa}_R^B P_R \right) d + \bar{T} \left(\hat{\kappa}_L^T P_L + \hat{\kappa}_R^T P_R \right) u \right] + \text{h.c.}, \end{aligned}$$

$$T \rightarrow 2/3$$

$$B \rightarrow -1/3$$

$$X \rightarrow 5/3$$

$$Y \rightarrow -4/3$$

$$\kappa \sim \tilde{\kappa} \sim u \quad \hat{\kappa} \sim u \frac{M_Q}{v}$$

$u =$ generic mixing angle

$$u_L \ll u_R \quad \text{OR} \quad u_R \ll u_L$$

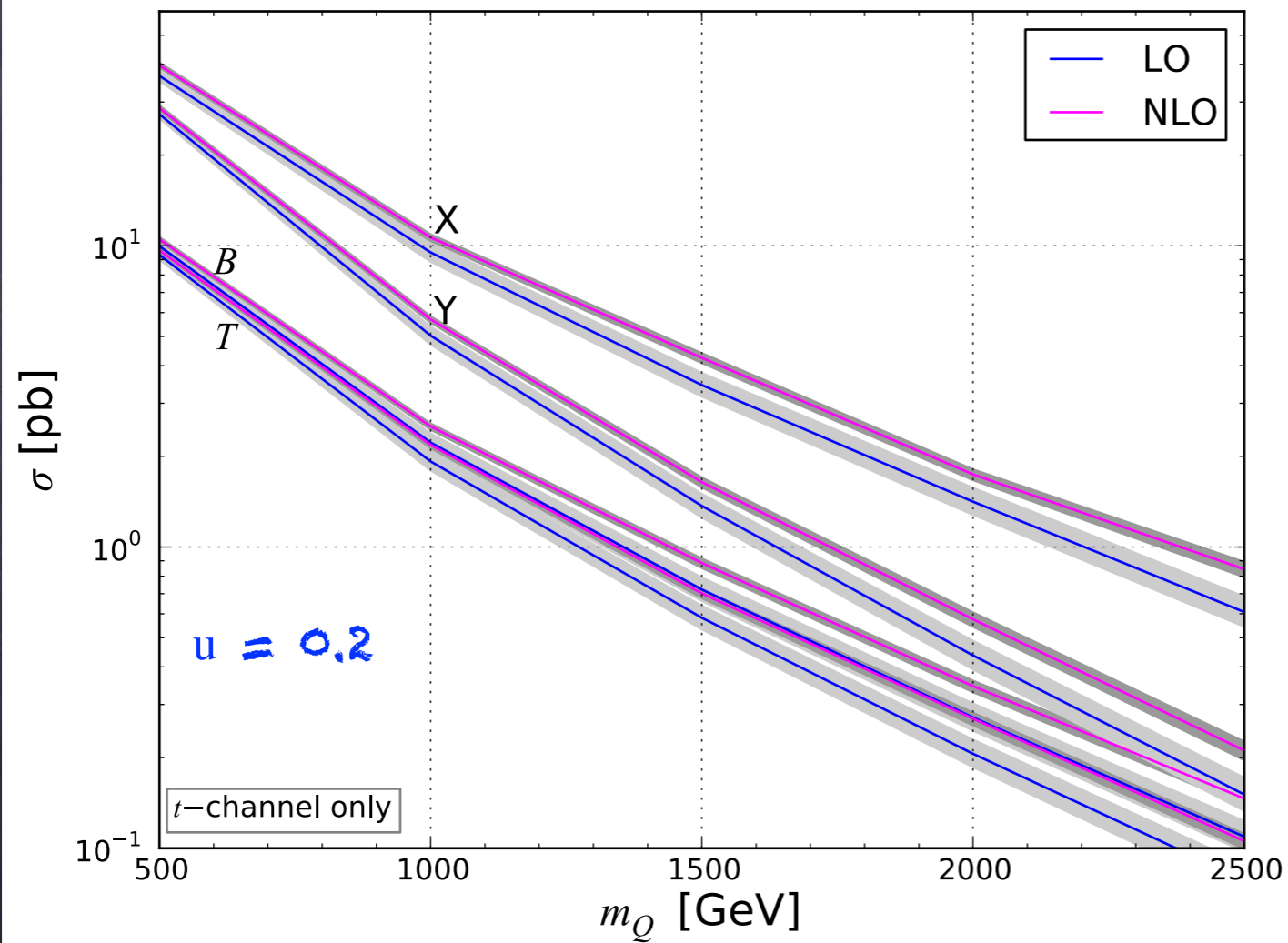
FeynRules + NLOCT
MadGraphs_AMC@NLO

Work in progress with B.Fuks, H.S.Shao
and H.Cai, A.Carvalho, A.Deandrea,
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Preliminary results: single + 1 jet

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13 TeV Total cross sections for $pp \rightarrow Qj + \text{h.c.}$

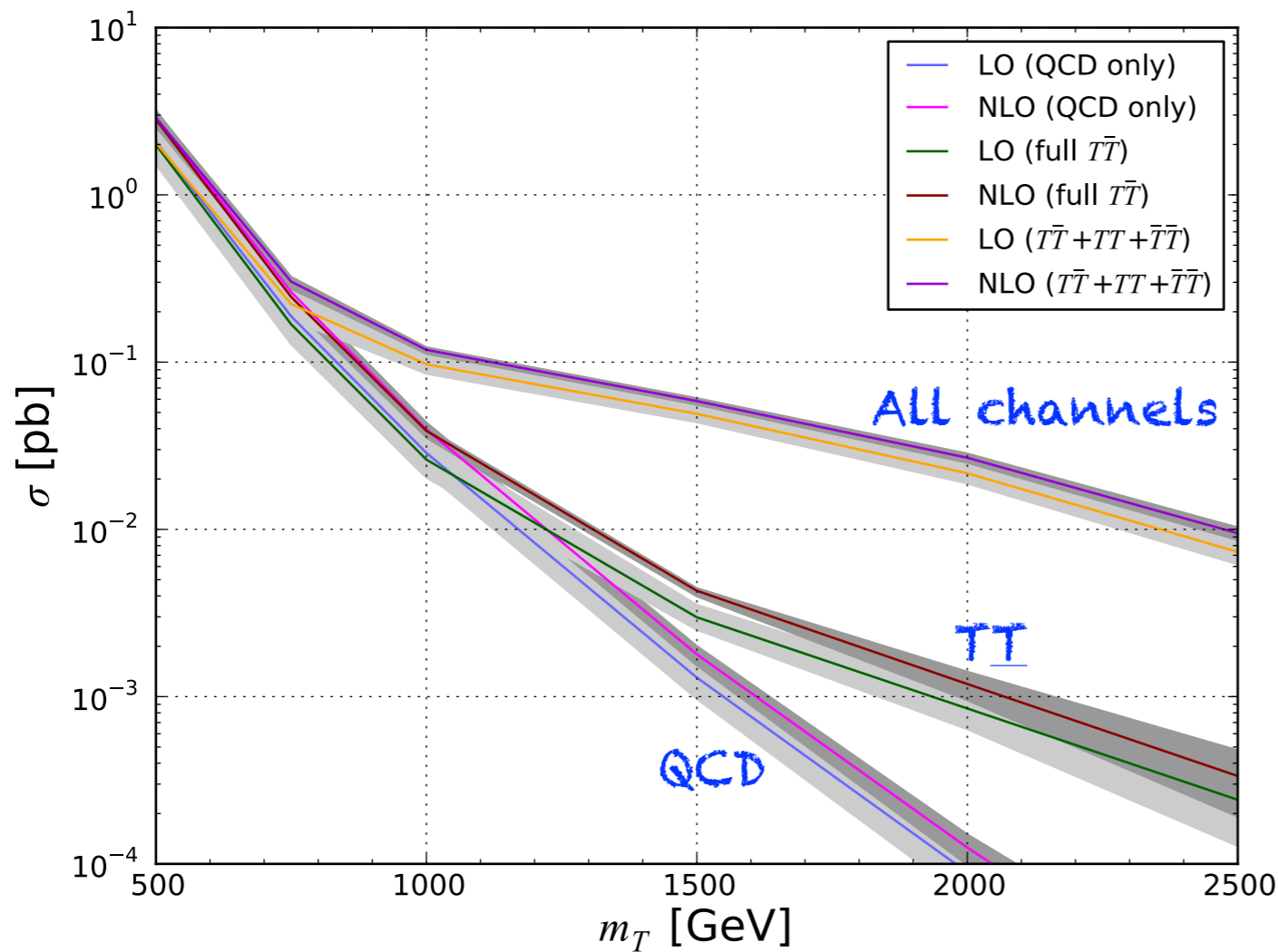


- Strongly reduced errors (scale variation)
- Enhancement at high masses!
- Distributions?

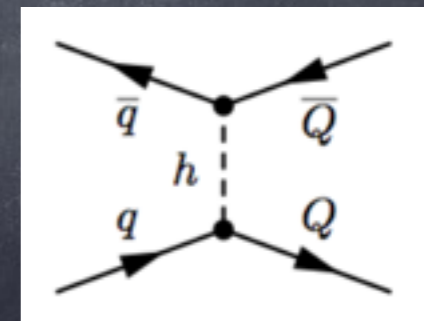
Preliminary results: pair production

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13 TeV Total cross sections for $pp \rightarrow T\bar{T} + TT + \bar{T}\bar{T}$ (up)

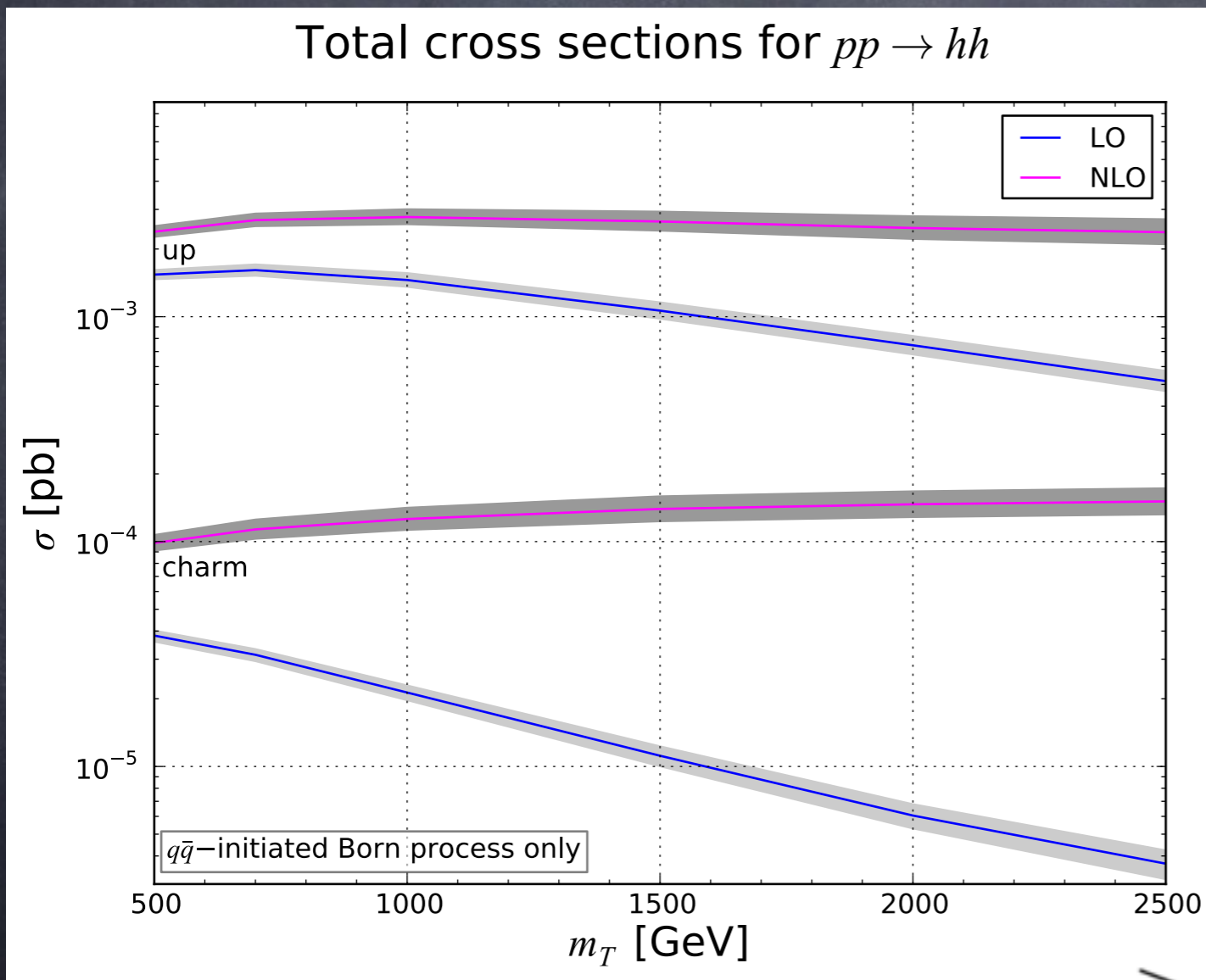


- EW pair production can dominate for valence quarks!
- Sensitivity to high masses!



Preliminary results: di-Higgs production

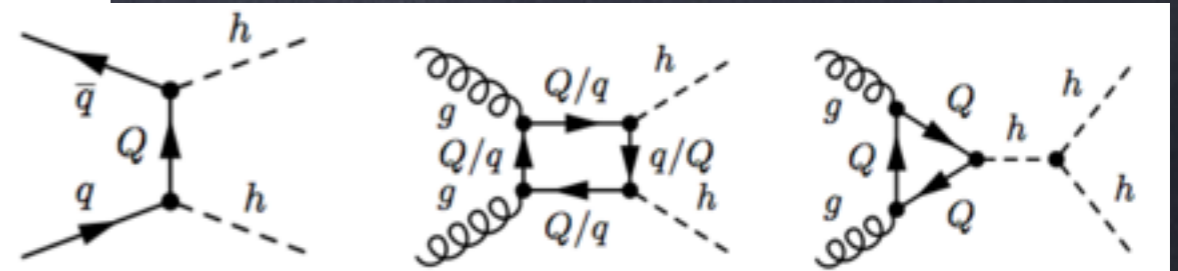
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- t-channel in double-Higgs production
- box and triangle included @ NLO
- HUGE k-factors due to additional glu-initiated processes

$ug \rightarrow hhu$

$$\hat{k} \sim u \frac{M_Q}{v}$$



Summary

- VLQ are interesting objects to look for @ LHC
- aka top-partners: not a must in natural theories! (they may be as heavy as 10 TeV)
- Flavour: couplings to light generations may be sizeable (NLO_QCD needed!)
- Non standard decays: DM, other (light) composite scalars, ...