

Top Quark Compositeness feasibility and implications

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Outline

Describe the **composite top** scenario in the framework of **modern strongly-interacting theories of EWSB** and give the main constraints and experimental signatures.

X Why the top ?

X Framework

X Feasibility

X Implications

X Conclusions

Why the top?

LEP \rightarrow most fermions = point-like particles / not for the top

Why?

BSM sector responsible for EWSB + masses: (SM = without the Higgs)

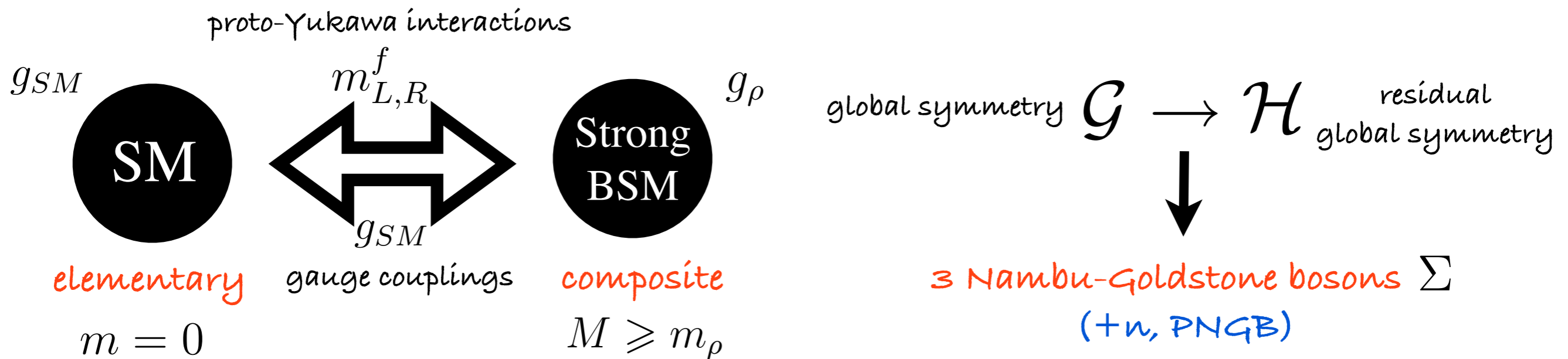
X Weak coupling: fundamental Higgs + SUSY (naturalness),
top is not special

X Strong coupling: Technicolor or Composite Higgs,

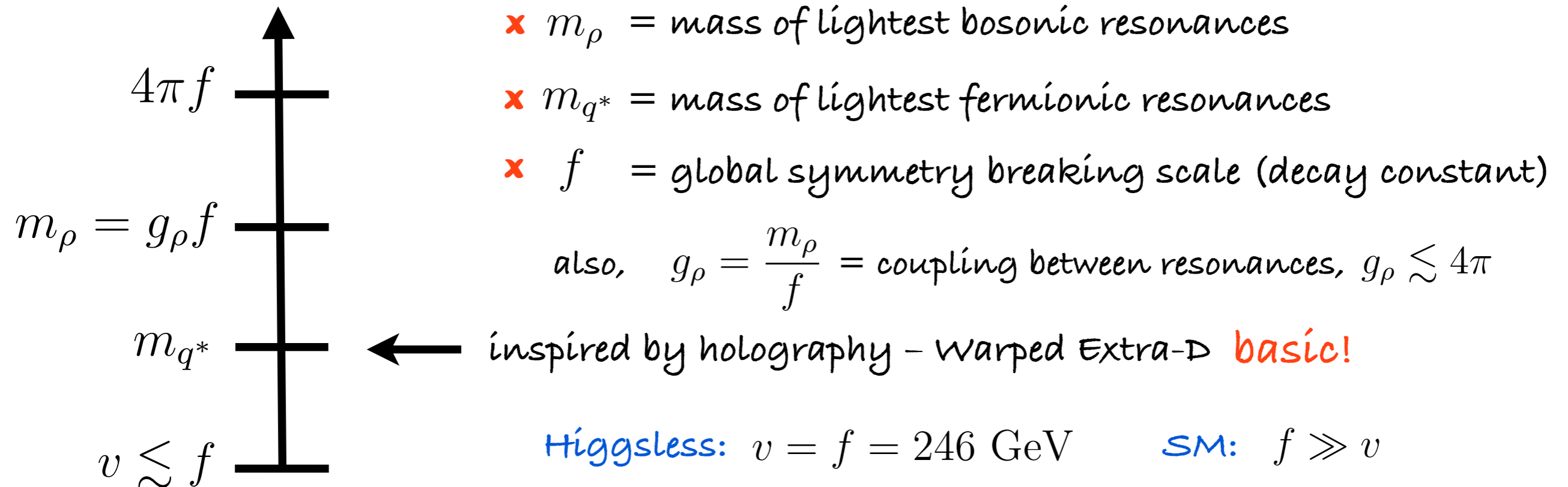
BSM physics (operators) couples to
fermions proportionally to mass

- X** Top quark the most sensitive fermion to the BSM sector.
- X** Top quark has properties of composite state.

Frame 1: BSM sector



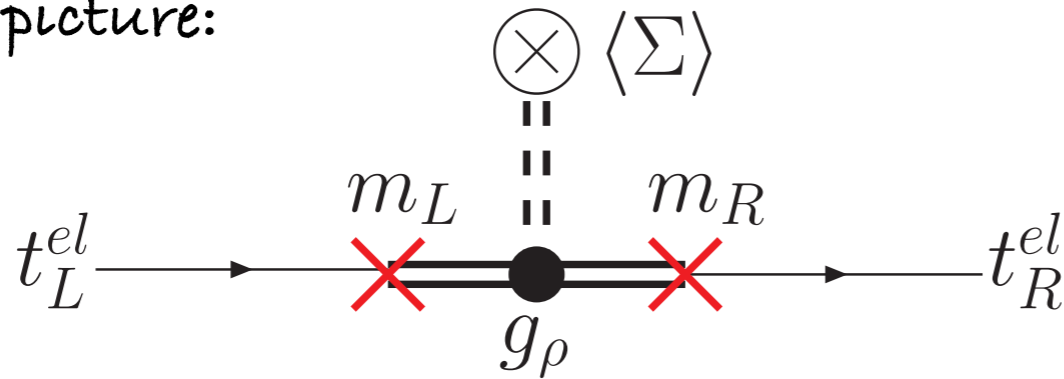
Model independent analysis: strong sector characterized by



Frame 2: Partial Compositeness

SM fermions get their masses by **mixing** with resonances

x perturbative picture:



$$y_t \sim g_\rho \frac{m_L m_R}{M_Q M_T}$$

x non-perturbative picture:

$$\mathcal{L} = m_L \bar{q}_L^{\text{el}} Q_R^q + m_R \bar{t}_R^{\text{el}} T_L^t + M_Q \bar{Q}_L Q_R + M_T \bar{T}_R T_L + g_\rho \bar{Q}_L \Sigma T_R + \dots$$

$Q, T = \text{BSM resonances}$

↓ diagonalization

massless states:

$$q_L = \cos \theta_L q_L^{\text{el}} + \sin \theta_L Q_L^q, \quad \tan \theta_L = \frac{m_L}{M_Q},$$

$$t_R = \cos \theta_R t_R^{\text{el}} + \sin \theta_R T_R^t, \quad \tan \theta_R = \frac{m_R}{M_T}.$$

top Yukawa: $y_t = \sin \theta_L g_\rho \sin \theta_R$

Frame 3: Composite limit

extrema of partial compositeness

composite q_L : $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sin \theta_L \rightarrow 1 \\ m_L \rightarrow m_\rho \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} q_L \simeq Q_L^q \\ M_Q \ll m_L \end{array} \right\}$

if Q_L in higher representation (of global symmetry of strong sector):

$$q_L \in Q_L = (t_L, q_L^*)$$

top partners

before EWSB: $m_t = 0$ and $m_{q^*} \neq 0$ (but smaller than m_ρ)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sin \theta_R \rightarrow y_t/g_\rho \\ m_R \rightarrow m_t \end{array} \right\} \longleftrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} t_R \simeq t_R^{el} \\ M_T \rightarrow m_\rho \end{array} \right\}$$

3 scales: m_ρ, f, m_{q^*}

composite t_R : equivalent limit

Feasibility 1: Effective Lagrangian

How does the composite nature of the top modify the low energy theory?

$$m_\rho \gg (f, m_{q^*}) \gg E > m_t$$

“Chiral”-Lagrangian for the top (low energy Lagrangian)

2 rules: ✗ extra composite state, $\frac{H}{f}$, $\frac{t}{fm_\rho^{1/2}}$ ✗ extra derivative, $\frac{\partial}{m_\rho}$

$\frac{1}{f^2}$ -operators (leading):

$$\frac{i c_L^{(1)}}{f^2} H^\dagger D_\mu H \bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu q_L + \frac{i c_L^{(3)}}{2 f^2} H^\dagger \sigma^i D_\mu H \bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu \sigma^i q_L + h.c. + \frac{c_{4q}}{f^2} (\bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu q_L) (\bar{q}_L \gamma_\mu q_L).$$

compo q_L

compo t_R

$$\frac{i c_R}{f^2} H^\dagger D_\mu H \bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu t_R + \frac{c_{4t}}{f^2} (\bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu t_R) (\bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu t_R)$$

compo H

$$\frac{c_T}{2 f^2} |H^\dagger D_\mu H|^2 + \frac{c_S}{m_\rho^2} H^\dagger W_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} H + \dots$$

$$c_i = \mathcal{O}(1)$$

Feasibility 2: EWPT and symmetries

from $\frac{1}{f^2}$ - operators:

$$\times \hat{T} = \frac{g^2}{m_W^2} [\Pi_{W^+}(0) - \Pi_{W^3}(0)] = c_T \frac{v^2}{f^2} \lesssim 10^{-3} \longrightarrow \text{strong bound on } f$$

$$\text{SU}(2)_L \otimes \text{SU}(2)_R \xrightarrow{\langle \Sigma \rangle} \text{SU}(2)_V \longrightarrow c_T = 0$$

$T = 0$ at tree-level

$$\times \frac{\delta g_{Zb_L b_L}}{g_{Zb_L b_L}} \simeq \left(c_L^{(1)} + c_L^{(3)} \right) \frac{v^2}{f^2} \lesssim 10^{-3} \longrightarrow \text{strong bound on } f$$

$$P_{LR} \text{ (interchanges } L \leftrightarrow R) \longrightarrow c_L^{(3)} = -c_L^{(1)} \equiv c_L$$

$b_L = \text{eigenstate}$

$\delta g_{Zb_L b_L} = 0$ at tree-level

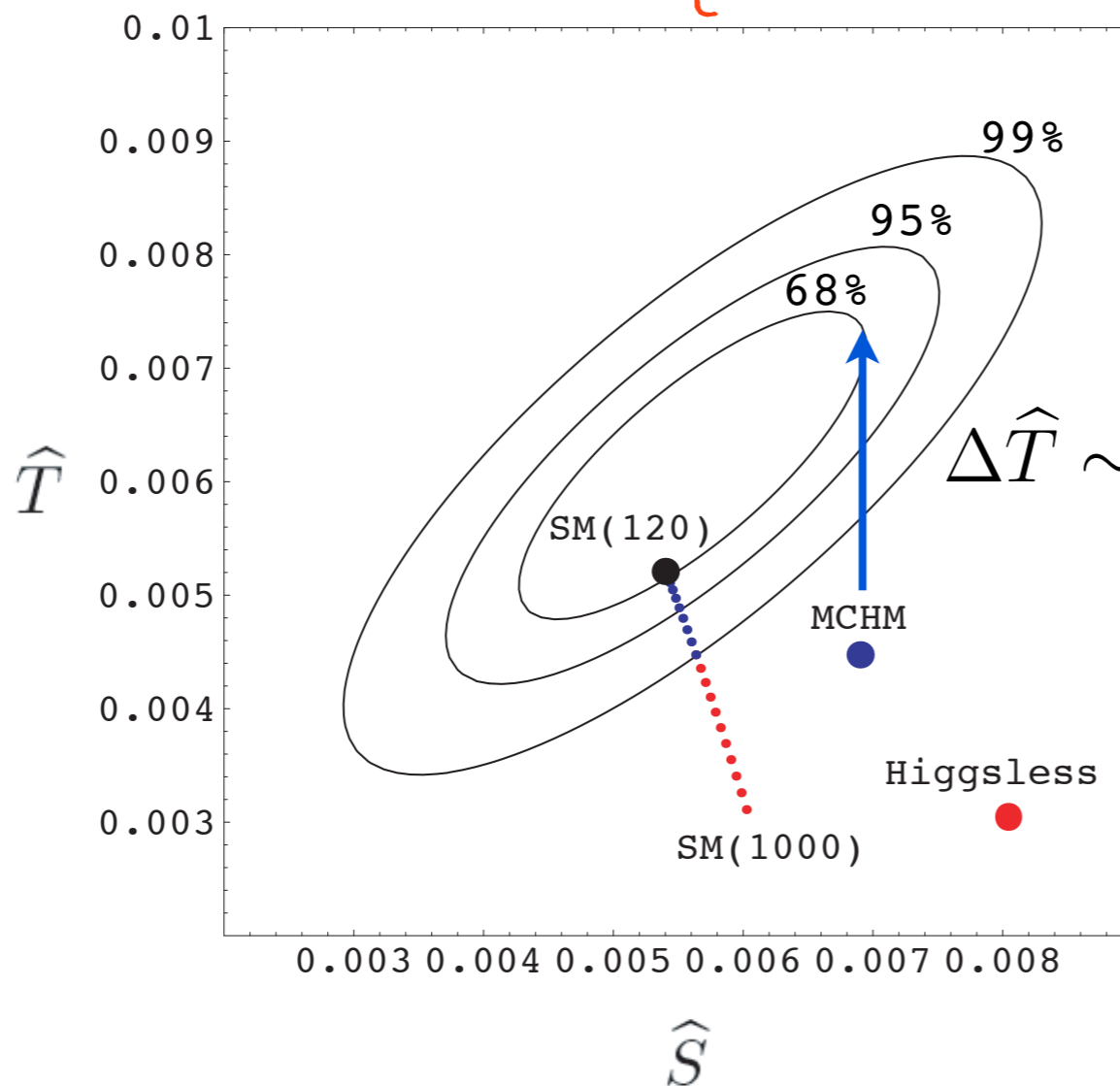
lucky we have these (accidental?) **symmetries** !

Feasibility 3: EWPT and Bounds

x $\hat{S} = g^2 \Pi'_{W_{3B}}(0) = 2g^2 c_S \frac{v^2}{m_\rho^2} \lesssim 10^{-3} \rightarrow$ bound on m_ρ

x if calculable, $m_\rho \gtrsim 2.3 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow f \gtrsim 500 \text{ GeV}$
 (AdS/CFT) $g_\rho \sim 4.6$ Reference

At the 0.1% level !



T sizable at one-loop?

Feasibility 4: Custodians

minimal global symmetries of BSM: $SU(2)_L \otimes SU(2)_R \otimes U(1)_X$

$$Q = T_L^3 + T_R^3 + X$$

assignments for Q, T :

x $b_L = \text{eigenstate of } P_{LR} \quad T_L = T_R = 1/2, \quad T_L^3 = T_R^3 = -1/2$

x $g_\rho \bar{Q}_L \Sigma T_R \equiv (\mathbf{2}, R_q)_{X_q} (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})_0 (\mathbf{1}, R_t)_{X_t}$ invariant

custodians of q_L

$$q_L^* = \mathbf{2}_{7/6} \Rightarrow Q = \left(+\frac{5}{3}, +\frac{2}{3} \right)$$

custodians of t_R

$$\mathbf{1}_{5/3}, \mathbf{1}_{-1/3}, \mathbf{3}_{2/3} \Rightarrow Q = \left(+\frac{5}{3}, +\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{3} \right)$$

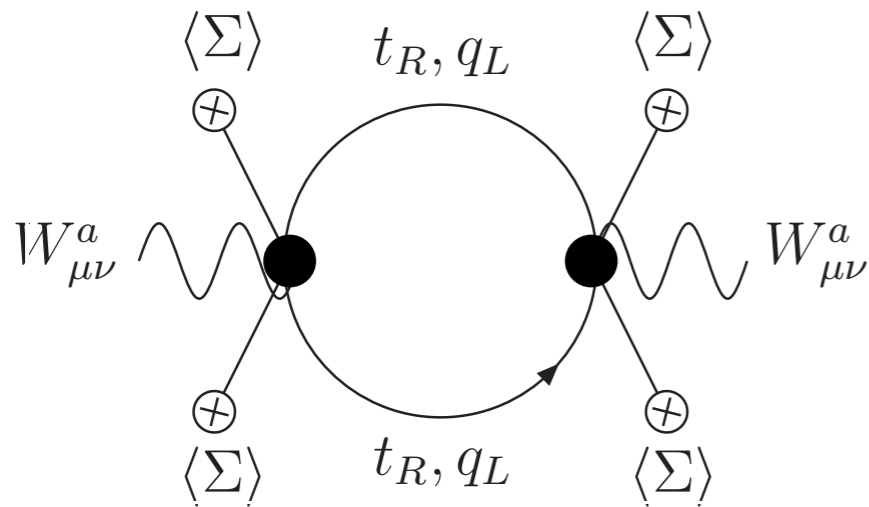
	Q	T
Case (a)	$(\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})_{2/3}$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_{2/3}$
Case (b)	$(\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})_{2/3}$	$(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{3})_{2/3} + (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1})_{2/3}$

Note.- If larger low-energy symmetry, we embed (a) or (b) in some of its representations.

Feasibility 5: 1-loop estimates

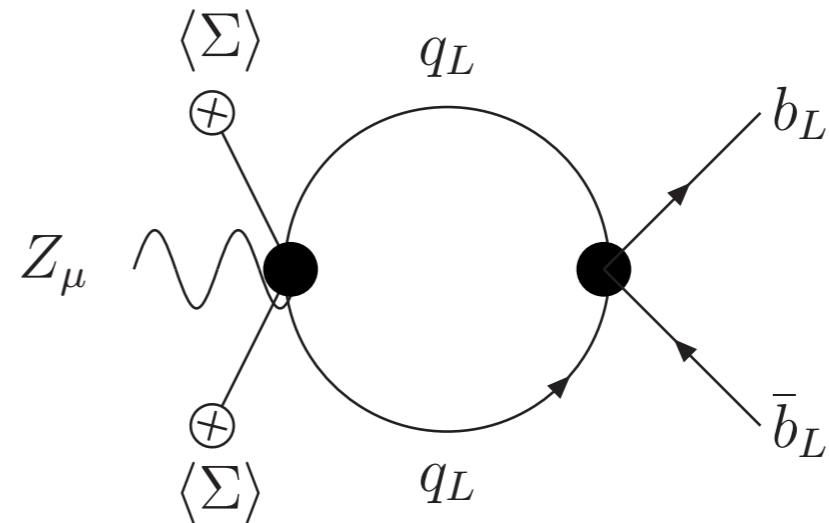
Have we finished with EWPT?

NO. Low energy ($E < \Lambda$) one-loop (leading) estimates:



$$\hat{T} \sim \frac{N_c}{16\pi^2} c_{L,R}^2 \frac{v^2 \Lambda^2}{f^4}$$

$$c_{L,R}^2 \sim \left(\frac{m_{L,R}}{m_\rho} \right)^4$$



$$\delta g_{Z b_L b_L} \sim \frac{N_c}{16\pi^2} c_L c_{4q} \frac{v^2 \Lambda^2}{f^4}$$

$$c_L c_{4q} \sim \left(\frac{m_L}{m_\rho} \right)^6$$

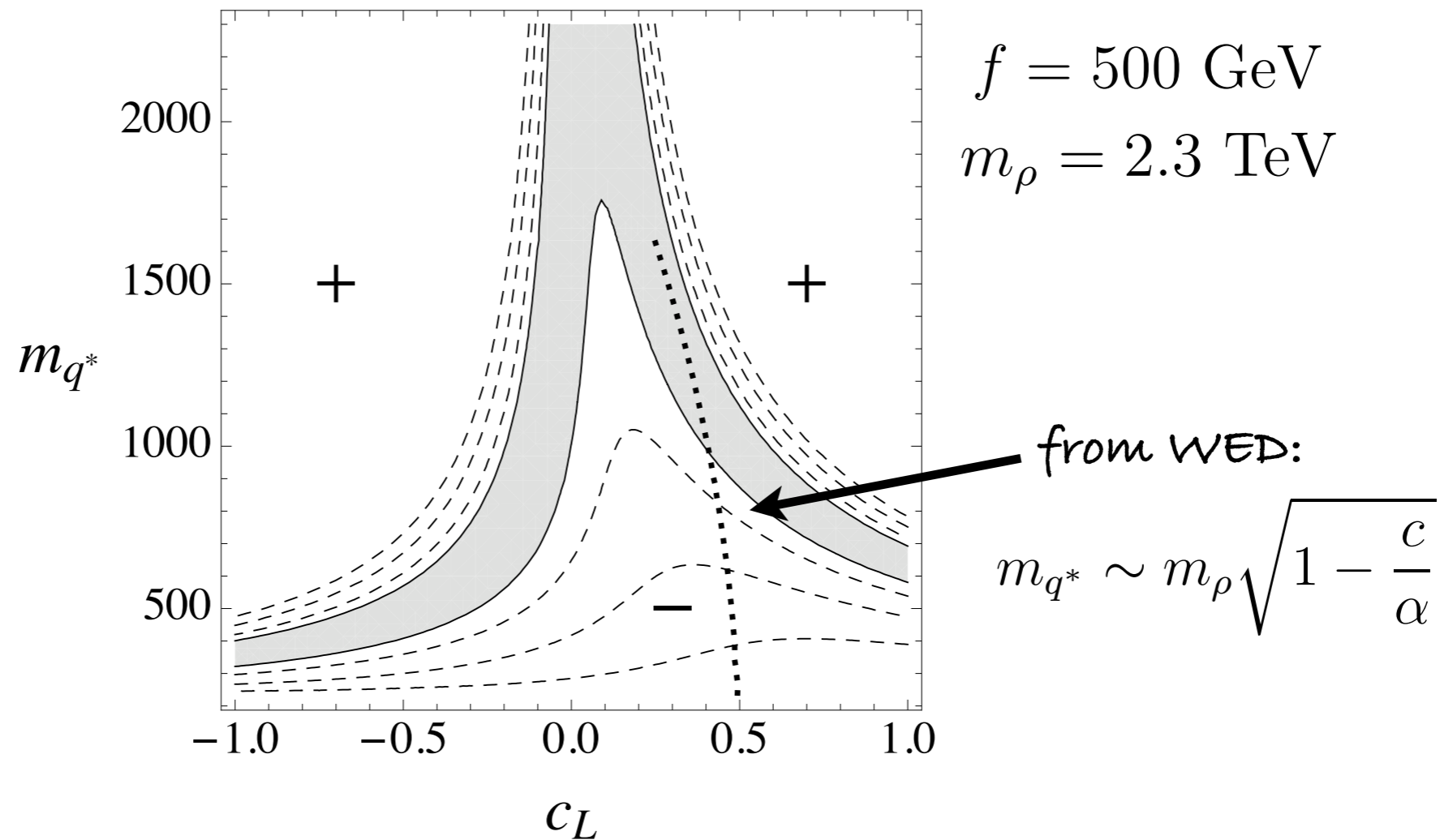
✘ generically: $\Lambda \sim m_\rho \longrightarrow c_L, c_R, c_{4q} \neq 1 \longrightarrow$ no large compositeness allowed

✘ composite limit: $\Lambda \sim m_{q^*} \longrightarrow$ large compositeness allowed
 $m_{q^*} \rightarrow 0 \longrightarrow$ custodial symmetry recovered

Feasibility 6a: Composite q_L

Case (a):

T contour plot



- X** large compositeness \longleftrightarrow light custodians
- X** softer bounds for $m_{q^*} \sim (500, 1000) \text{ GeV}$
- X** bounds from $Zb_L b_L$ can be hard (c_{4q} dependence)

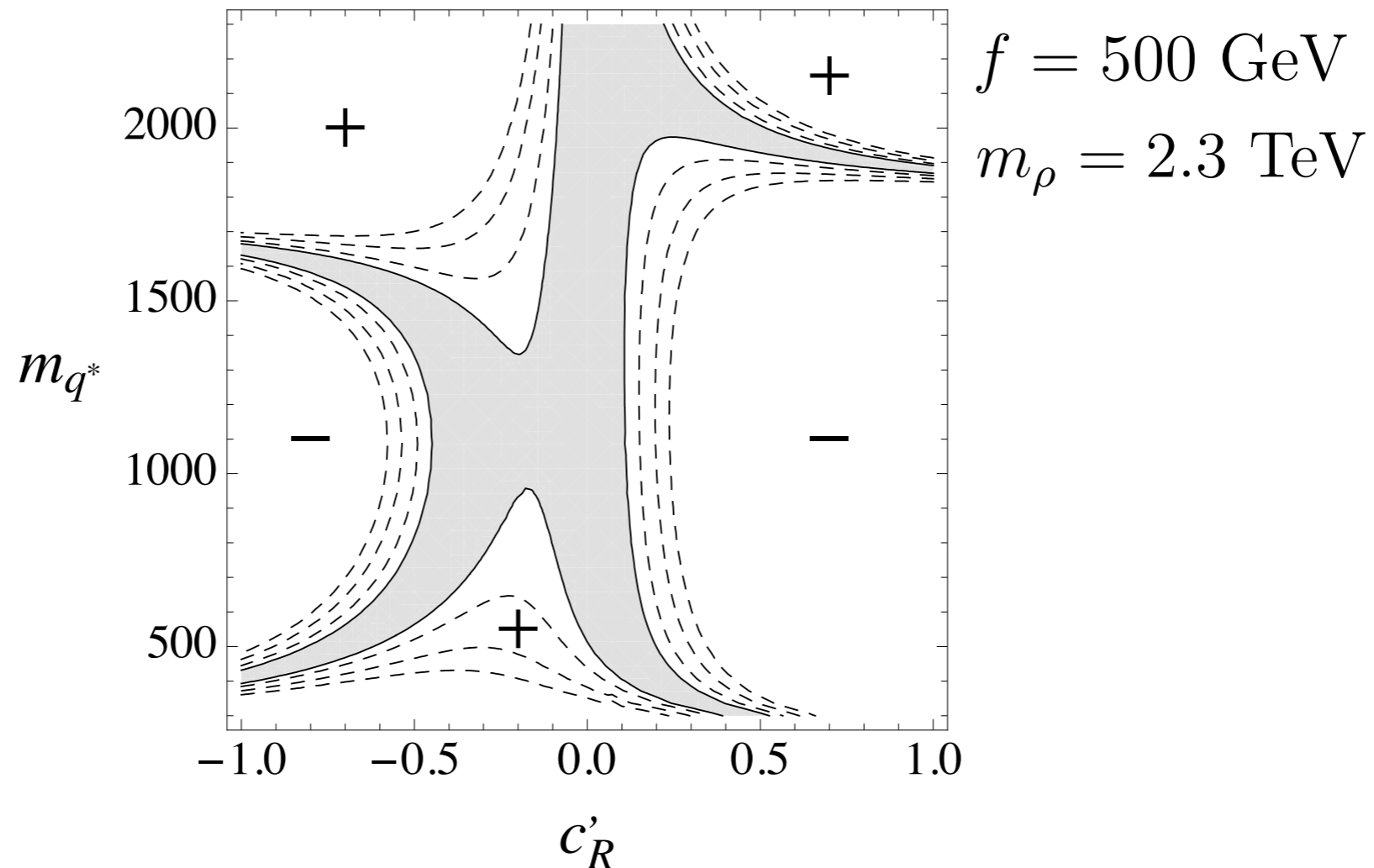
Case (b): allowed composite q_L parameter space very small

Feasibility 66: Composite t_R

Case (a): no serious bounds on composite t_R parameter space

Case (b):

T contour plot



X softer bounds for negative c_R and $m_{q^*} \sim (500, 1500) \text{ GeV}$

X regions with positive T

X no strong bounds from $Zb_L b_L$ (no quadratic dependence on m_q)

Pheno 1: Effective Lagrangian

Model independent analysis of composite top consequences

$\frac{1}{f^2}$ -operators (leading):

$$\frac{i c_L^{(1)}}{f^2} H^\dagger D_\mu H \bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu q_L + \frac{i c_L^{(3)}}{2 f^2} H^\dagger \sigma^i D_\mu H \bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu \sigma^i q_L + h.c. + \frac{c_{4q}}{f^2} (\bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu q_L) (\bar{q}_L \gamma_\mu q_L).$$

compo q_L

$$c_i = \mathcal{O}(1)$$

$$\frac{i c_R}{f^2} H^\dagger D_\mu H \bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu t_R + \frac{c_{4t}}{f^2} (\bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu t_R) (\bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu t_R)$$

compo t_R

in our framework: $c_L^{(3)} \simeq -c_L^{(1)}$ and $c_R \simeq 0$.

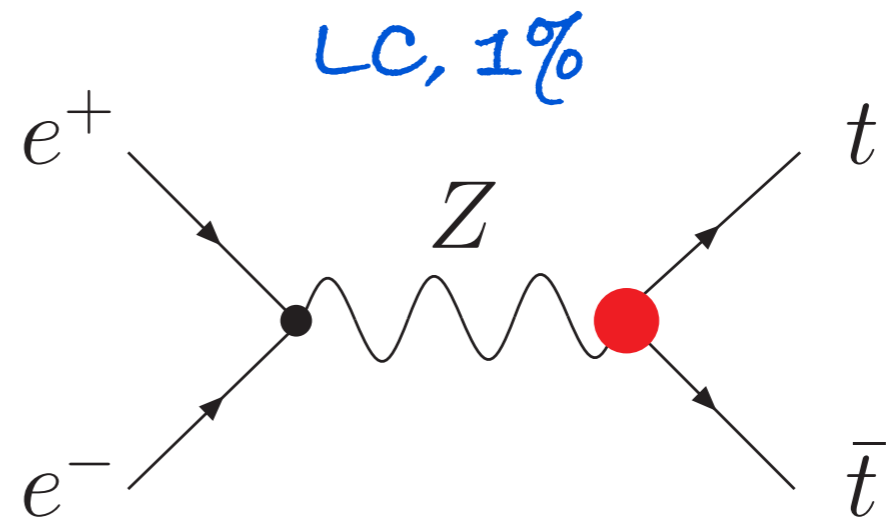
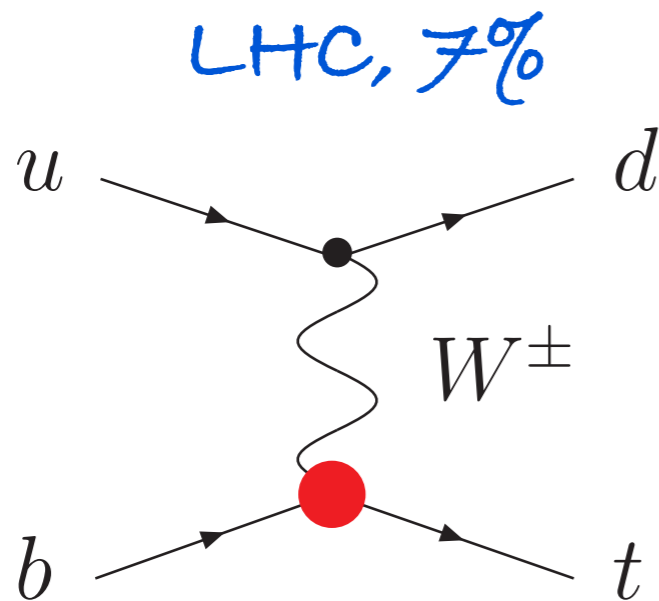
t_R = eigenstate of parity
sym. protecting $Z t_R t_R$

Pheno 2: Anomalous couplings

Modification of couplings top - SM gauge bosons

$$\frac{\delta g_{Wt_L b_L}}{g_{Wt_L b_L}} = c_L \frac{v^2}{f^2} \quad \frac{\delta g_{Zt_L t_L}}{g_{Zt_L t_L}} \simeq 2c_L \frac{v^2}{f^2} \quad \frac{\delta g_{Zt_R t_R}}{g_{Zt_R t_R}} = \frac{3c_R}{4 \sin^2 \theta_W} \frac{v^2}{f^2}$$

$f = 500 \text{ GeV} \longrightarrow$ no strong enough present (direct) constraints



LHC: tops mainly pair produced and $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Wb) \sim 1$

Pheno 3: Four-top production

genuine effect!

$C_{4q}, C_{4t} \longrightarrow$ *strong* tt, qq scattering

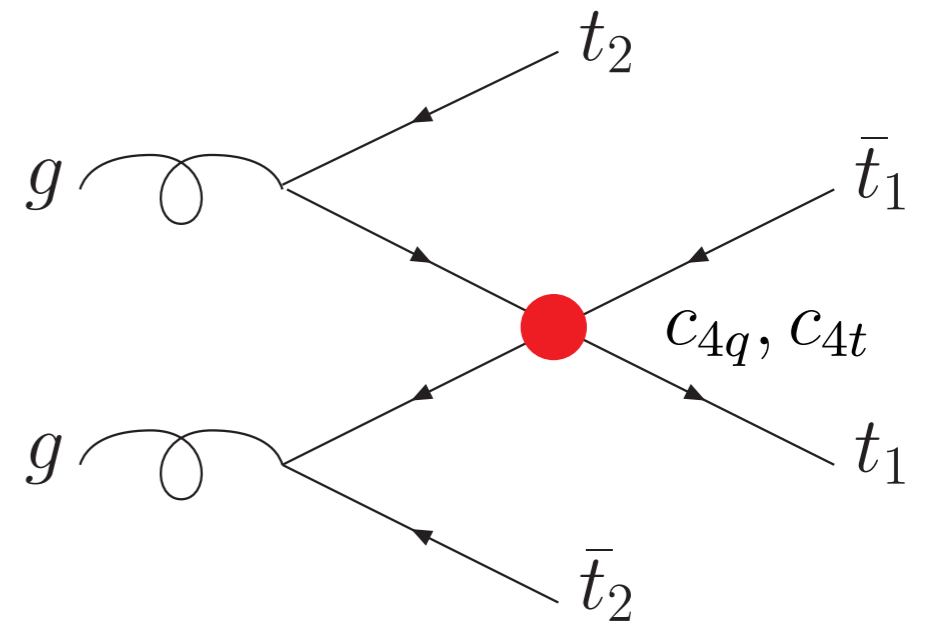
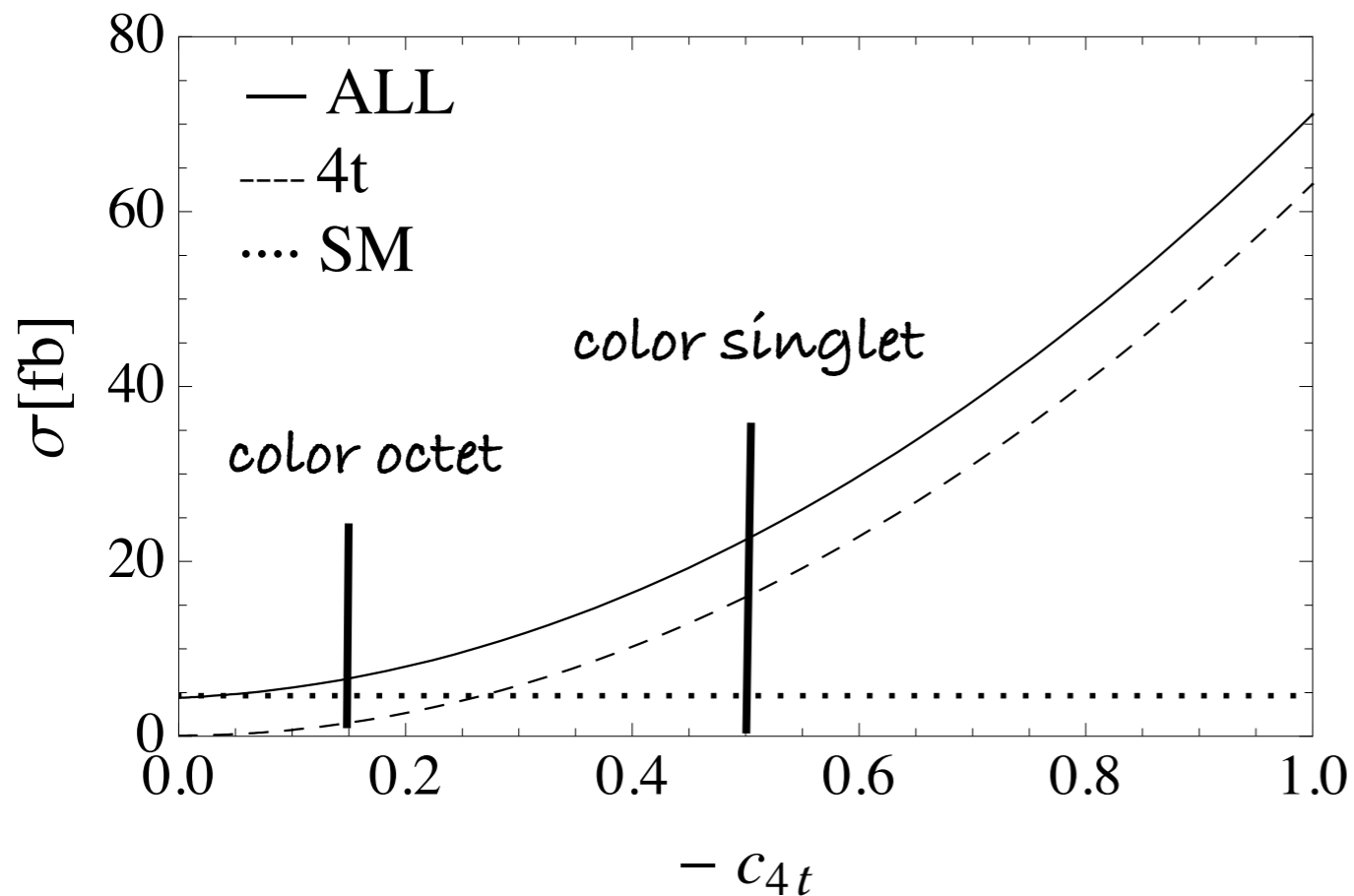
$$|\mathcal{A}[t\bar{t} \rightarrow t\bar{t}(b\bar{b})]|^2 \propto \frac{c_4^2}{f^4} u^2$$

enhancement at the LHC!

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$$

$$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$$

grows with energy



$$\sigma_{SM} \simeq 4.6 \text{ fb}$$

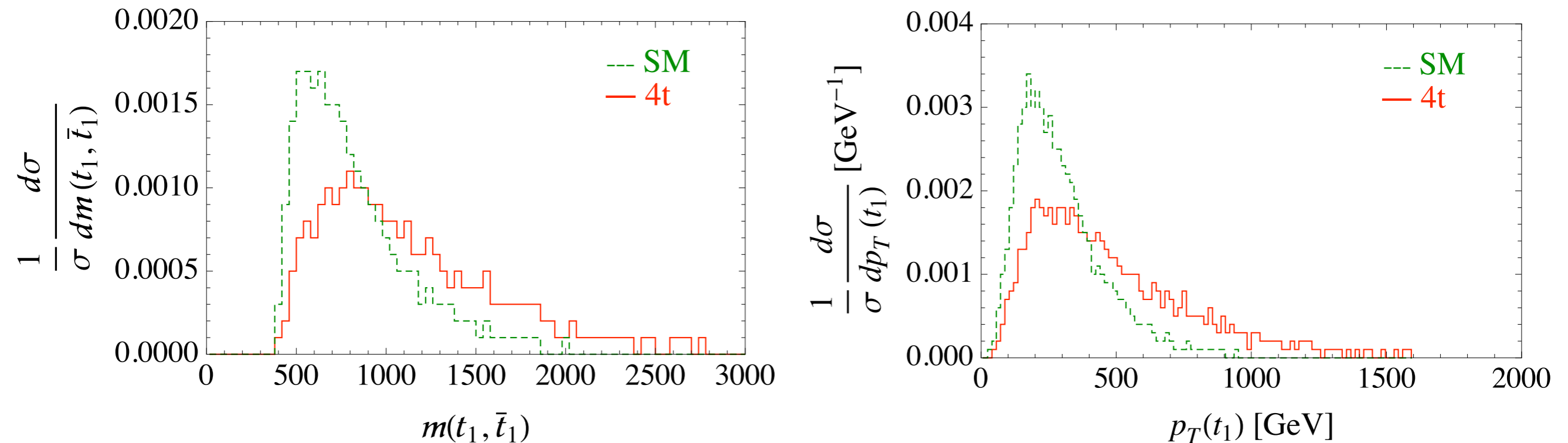
$$\sigma_{octet} \simeq 1.8 \text{ fb}$$

$$\sigma_{singlet} \simeq 16 \text{ fb}$$

Pheno 4: Four-top production

2 tops (t_1) *very energetic* ($p_T(t_1) > p_T(t_2)$)

distributions:



cuts (reduce backgrounds) \longrightarrow 4t contribution dominates

detector analysis ?

X possible signal: $l^\pm l^\pm jj$ Lillie, Shu, Tait \longrightarrow $\sigma_{4t} > 45$ fb

X top reconstruction

Conclusions

The top quark is the most sensitive fermion to the strong sector responsible for **EWSB** and **SM masses**.

X Can one of the chiralities of the top be fully composite?

Present experimental bounds do not rule out this possibility.

Even we can get positive T contributions (mainly for c negative), needed in these models for agreement with EWPT.

X Can one test this possibility at the LHC?

X four-top production enhancement = genuine (difficult but viable)

X anomalous couplings

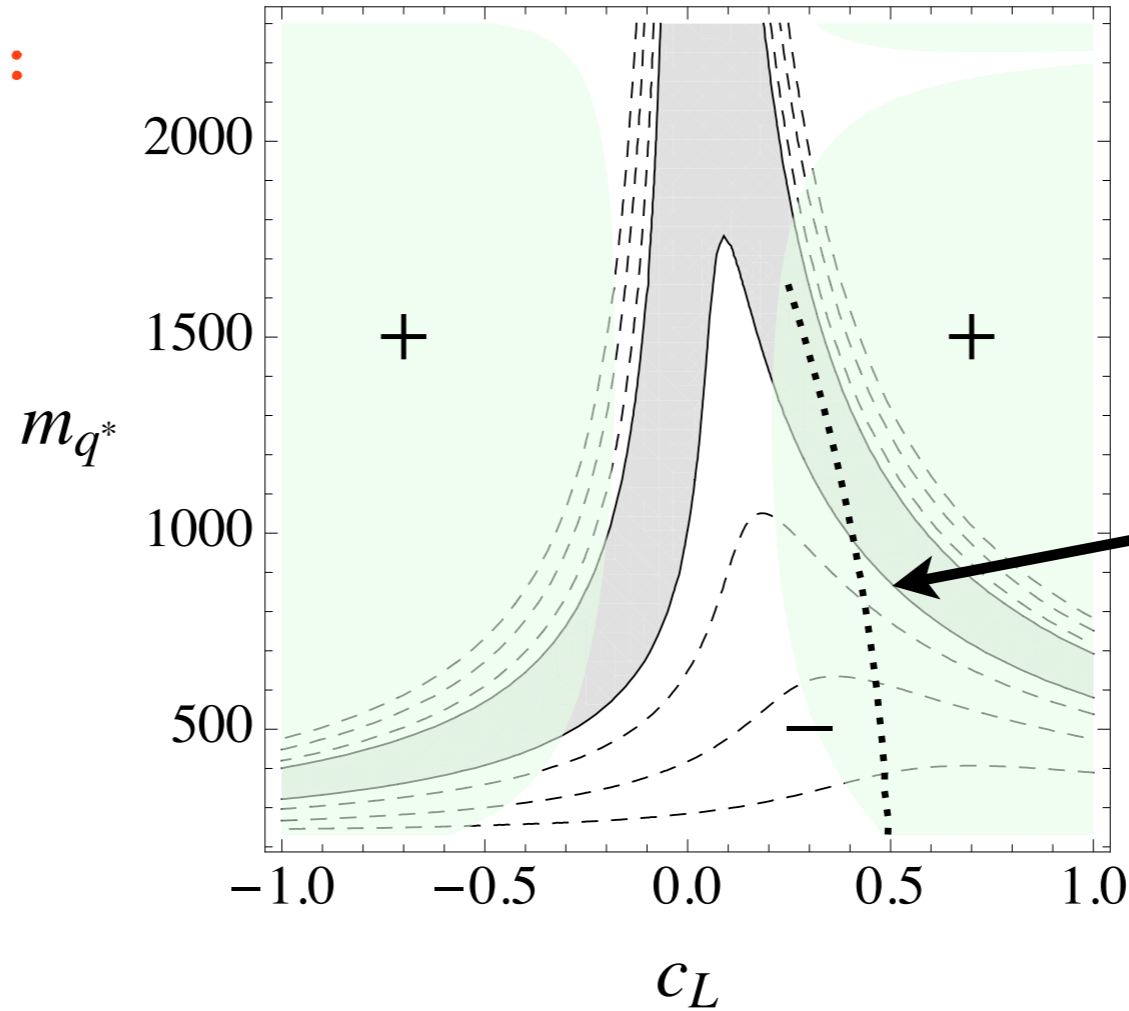
Also direct searches of top partners (**Contino, Servant**) and flavour transitions

extra

T and Zbb results

Composite q_L , Case (a):

T contour plot
+
Z_{bb} excluded



$$\xi = \xi_R = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$m_\rho = 2.3 \text{ TeV}$$

$$c_{4q} = -c_L/3$$

from WED:

$$m_{q^*} \sim m_\rho \sqrt{1 - \frac{c}{\alpha}}$$

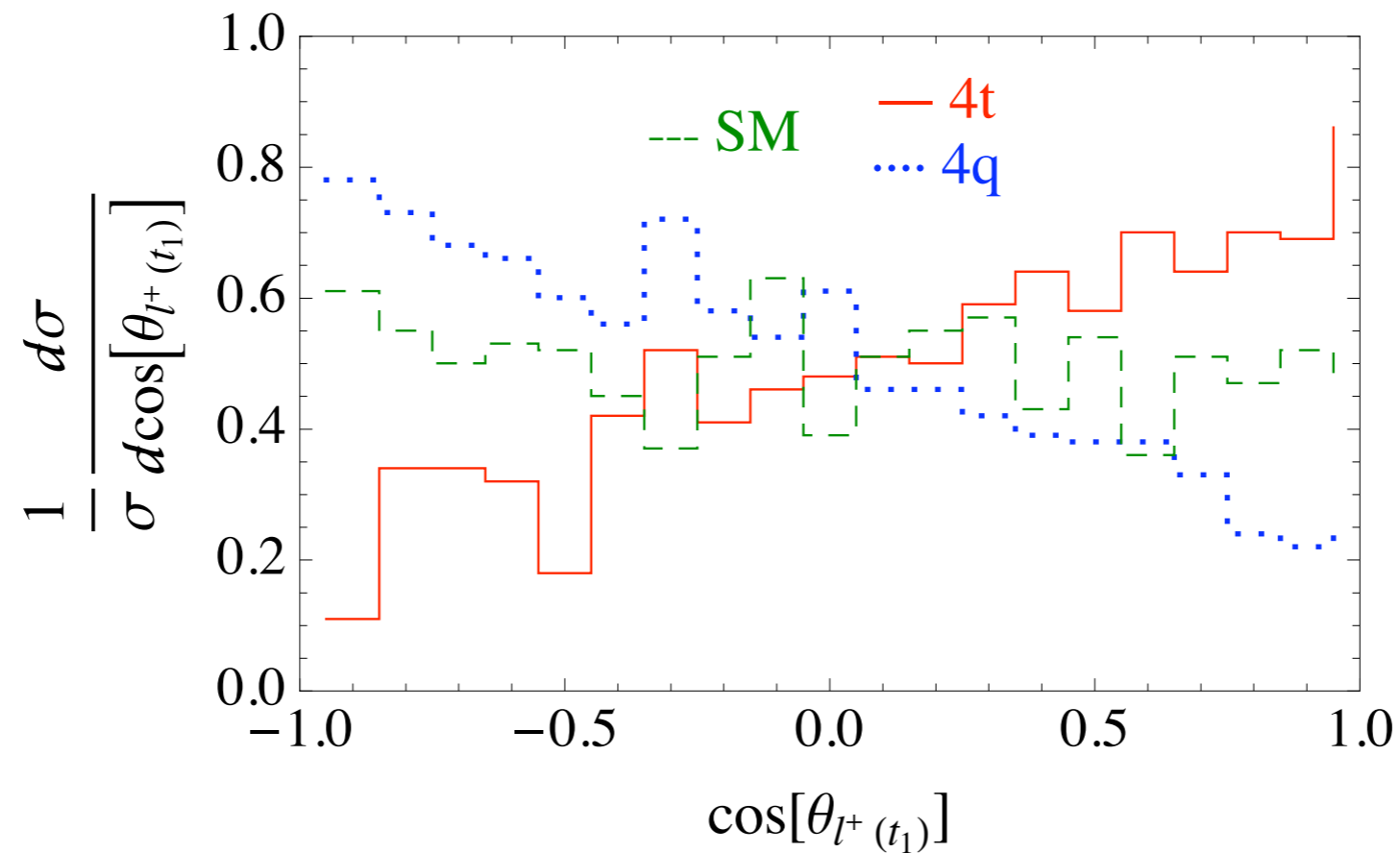
EFT results: $m_\rho \gg m_{q^*} \gg m_t$

$$\hat{T} = \hat{T}_{top}^{SM} \left[c_L^2 \xi^2 \left(2 \frac{m_{q^*}^2}{m_t^2} + 7 + 6 \log \frac{m_t^2}{m_{q^*}^2} \right) + c_L \xi \left(10 + 4 \log \frac{m_t^2}{m_{q^*}^2} \right) + \frac{m_t^2}{m_{q^*}^2} \left(\frac{22}{3} + 4 \log \frac{m_t^2}{m_{q^*}^2} \right) \right]$$

$$\delta g_{Zb_L b_L} = -\delta g_{b_L}^{SM} 3c_{4q} \xi \left[c_L \xi \left(4 \frac{m_{q^*}^2}{m_t^2} \log \frac{m_\rho^2}{m_{q^*}^2} + 4 \log \frac{m_t^2}{m_{q^*}^2} \right) + 2 \log \frac{m_t^2}{m_{q^*}^2} \right]$$

Four-top production

can we distinguish between compo q_L or compo t_R in 4-top production?

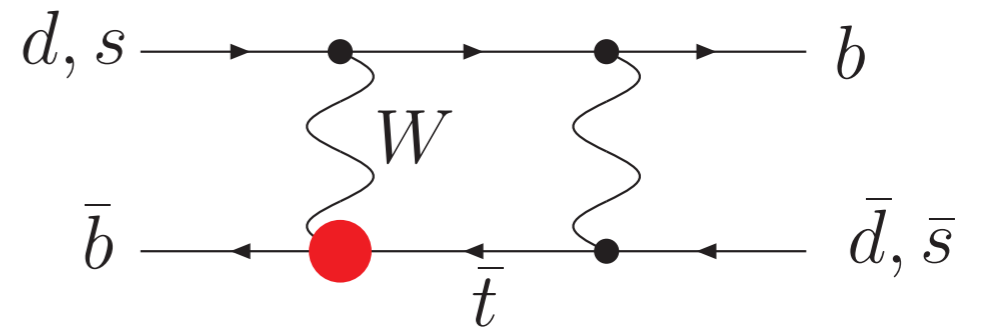
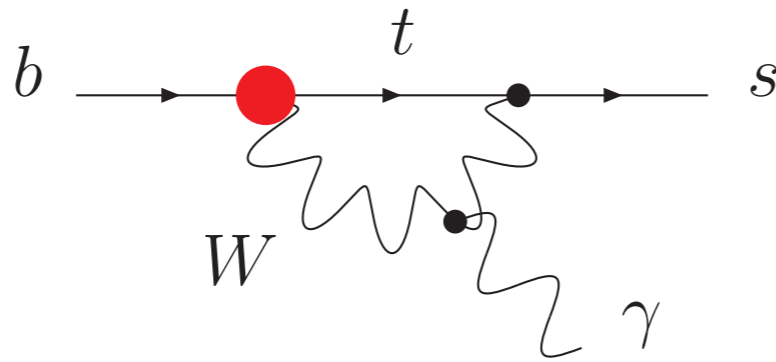


studying angular distributions of decay products (l^+)

Flavour constraints

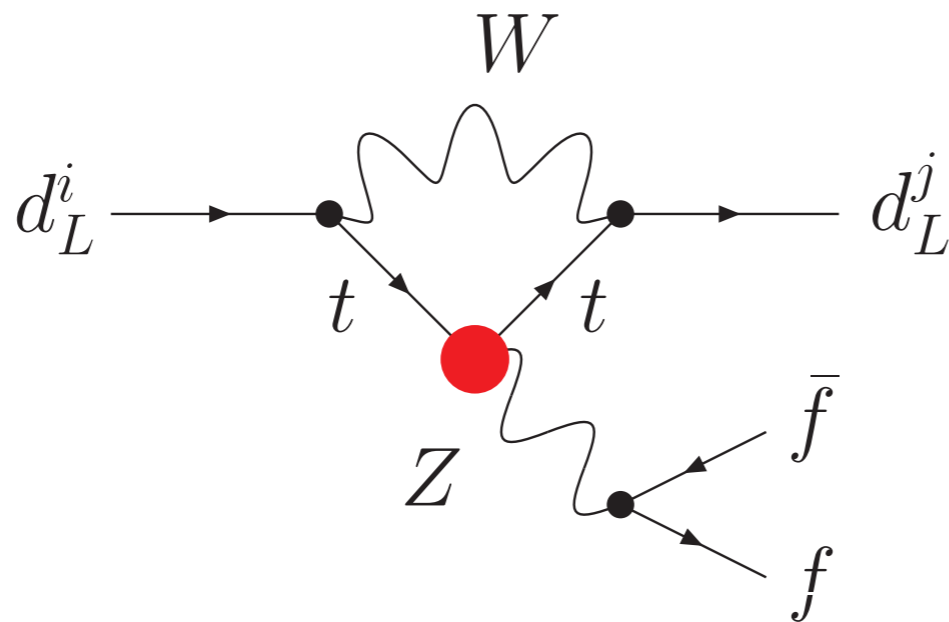
Constraints on top compositeness from flavour physics?

$Wt_L b_L$ coupling:



constraints at 15%

$Zt_L t_L$ couplings:



mild constraints

flavour constraints = indirect (more model dependent)

generically = some extra **flavor structure** is needed