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Neutrino Non-Standard Interactions: Complementarities Between LHC and Oscillation Experiments

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- Neutrino NSI
- From EFTs to Simplified Models
- Complementarity between LHC and neutrino experiments
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Neutrino NSI

Unknown couplings involving neutrinos.

Many neutrino mass models naturally lead to NSI at some level. (see for example, B. Dev et al. (2019), K.S. Babu, B. DeV, SJ, A. Thapa (2019), Tommy Ohlsson (2012))

Potentially observable effects in neutrino oscillation experiments.

NSI effects happen in the neutrino production, propagation through matter, and the detection processes.

Most important effect of NSI is in neutrino propagation in matter
Wolfenstein (1978)

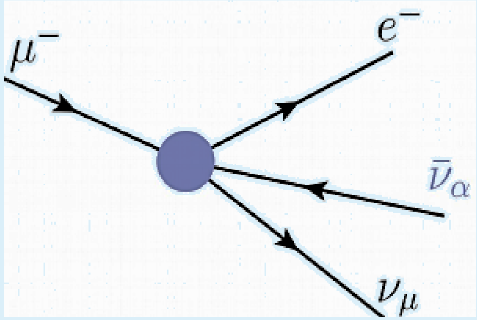
Relevant for accelerator, reactor, atmospheric, solar and supernova neutrinos.

Search for NSI is complementary to the direct search for new physics at the LHC.

Neutrino NSI

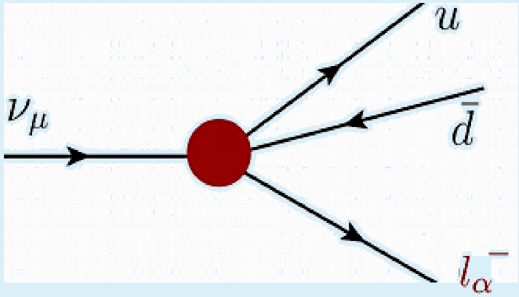
$$\mathcal{L}^{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \frac{1}{\Lambda}\delta\mathcal{L}^{d=5} + \boxed{\frac{1}{\Lambda^2}\delta\mathcal{L}^{d=6}} + \ldots$$

NSI affecting
production



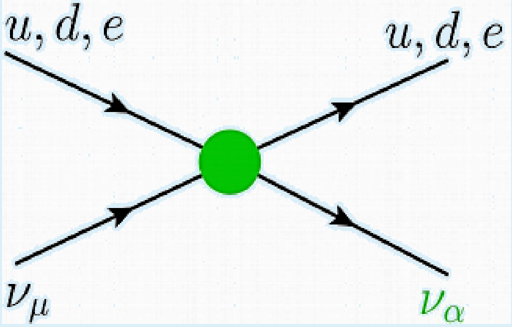
$$\varepsilon^{e\mu,P}_{\mu\alpha}\,(\bar{e}\gamma^\rho P\mu)\,(\bar{\nu}_\mu\gamma_\rho P_L\nu_\alpha)$$

NSI affecting
detection



$$\varepsilon^{ud,P}_{\mu\alpha}\,(\bar{d}\gamma^\rho Pu)\,(\bar{\nu}_\mu\gamma_\rho P_L l_\alpha)$$

NSI affecting
propagation



$$\varepsilon^{f,P}_{\mu\alpha}\,(\bar{f}\gamma^\rho Pf)\,(\bar{\nu}_\mu\gamma_\rho P_L\nu_\alpha)$$

Neutrino NSI

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{NSI}} = -2\sqrt{2}\, G_F \varepsilon^{fP}_{\alpha\beta} \left(\overline{\nu}_\alpha \gamma_\rho \nu_\beta\right) \left(\overline{f} \gamma^\rho P f\right)$$

Collider Physics

Solar neutrino exp.

Atmospheric neutrino exp.

NSI

Reactor neutrino exp.

Beam neutrino exp.

Neutrino NSI at LHC

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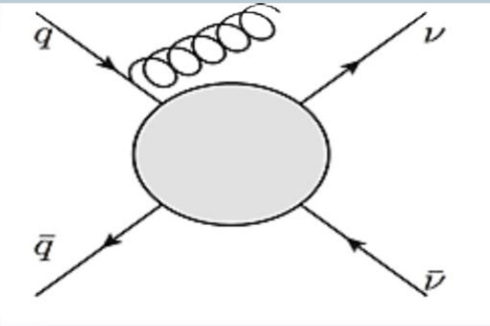
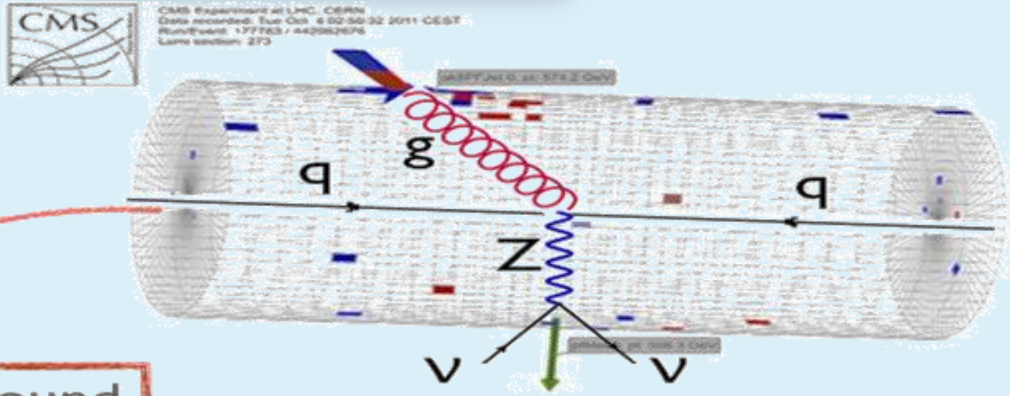
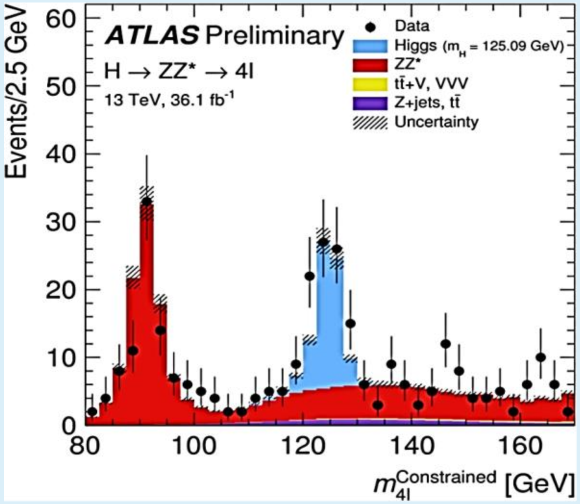




Irreducible SM background

Neutrino NSI at LHC



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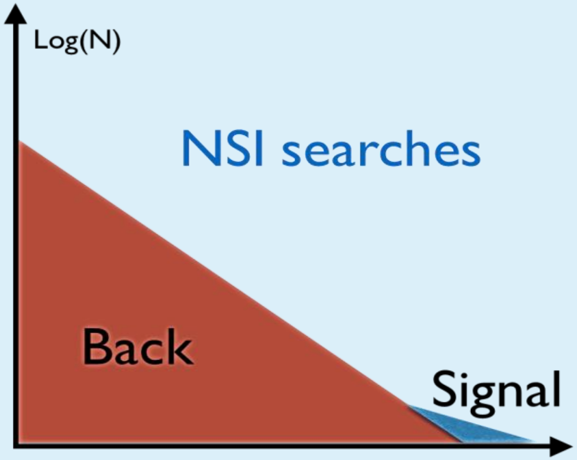


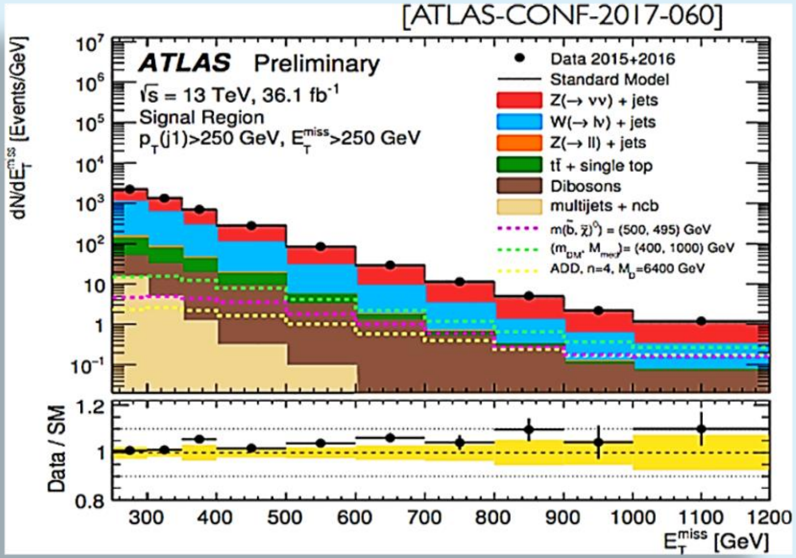
Overwhelming SM background

NSI contains both flavor-changing and flavor-diagonal interactions

Signal: small enhancement in the tail of MET distribution

Big challenge: requires precise estimation of background

Neutrino NSI at LHC



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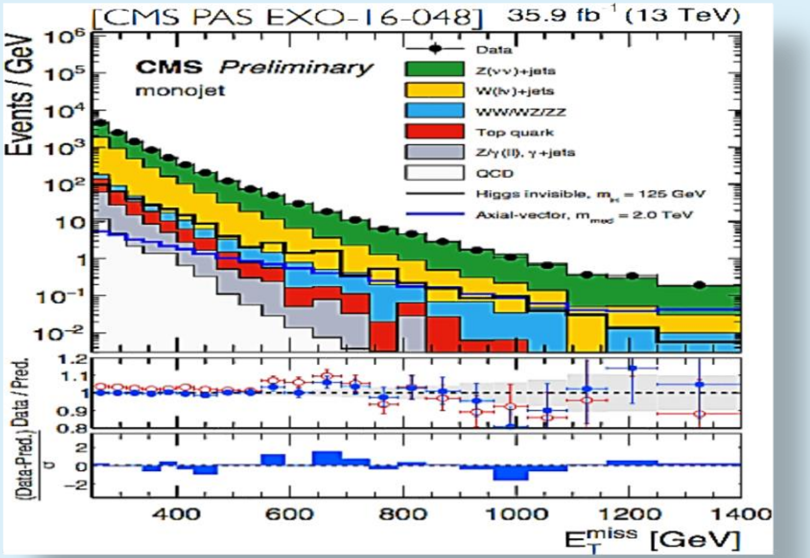


[CMS PAS EXO-16-048] 35.9 fb^{-1} (13 TeV)

Dominant background:

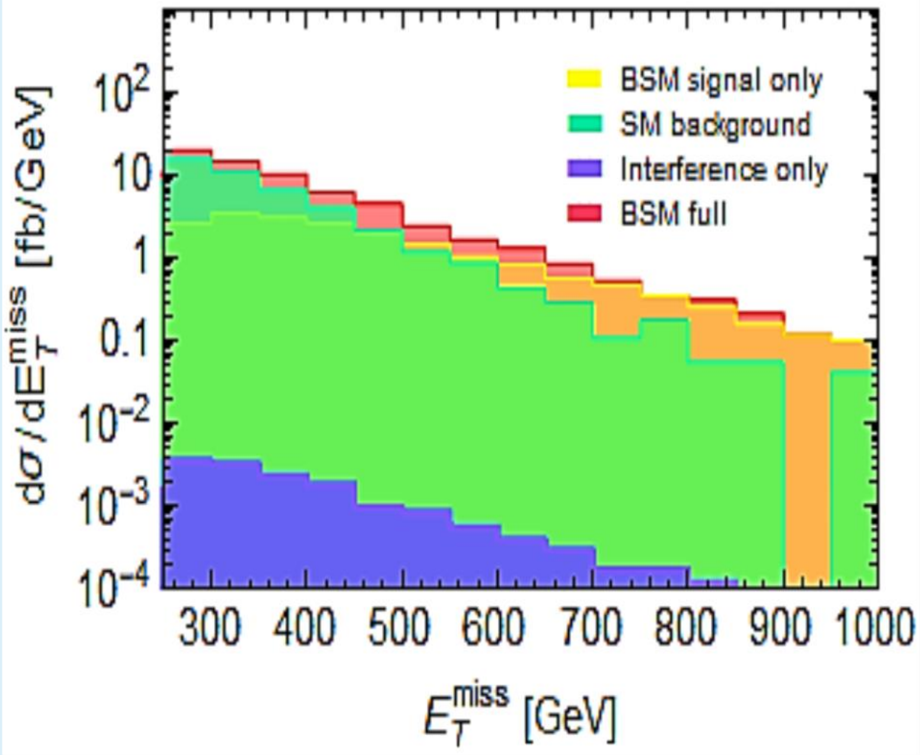
- $pp \rightarrow Z\ (\rightarrow \nu\nu)$ + jets → MET + jets
- $pp \rightarrow W\ (\rightarrow l\nu)$ + jets → MET + jets (lost lepton or hadronic taus)

Major limitation for NSI bounds: large and uncertain backgrounds. Background syst. ~5%

New theoretical and experimental efforts are significantly suppressing this syst. constraint

Neutrino NSI at LHC

$$\sigma(pp \to j\bar{\nu}_\alpha \nu_\beta) \;=\; \sigma_{\mathrm{SM}} + \varepsilon\sigma_{\mathrm{int}} + \varepsilon^2\sigma_{\mathrm{NSI}}$$



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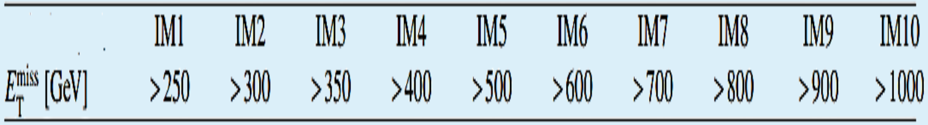
NSI contains both flavor-changing and flavor-diagonal interactions

- **Flavor-changing - No SM analog**
- **Flavor-diagonal - Interfere with SM background (can display non-trivial differences to DM scenario)**

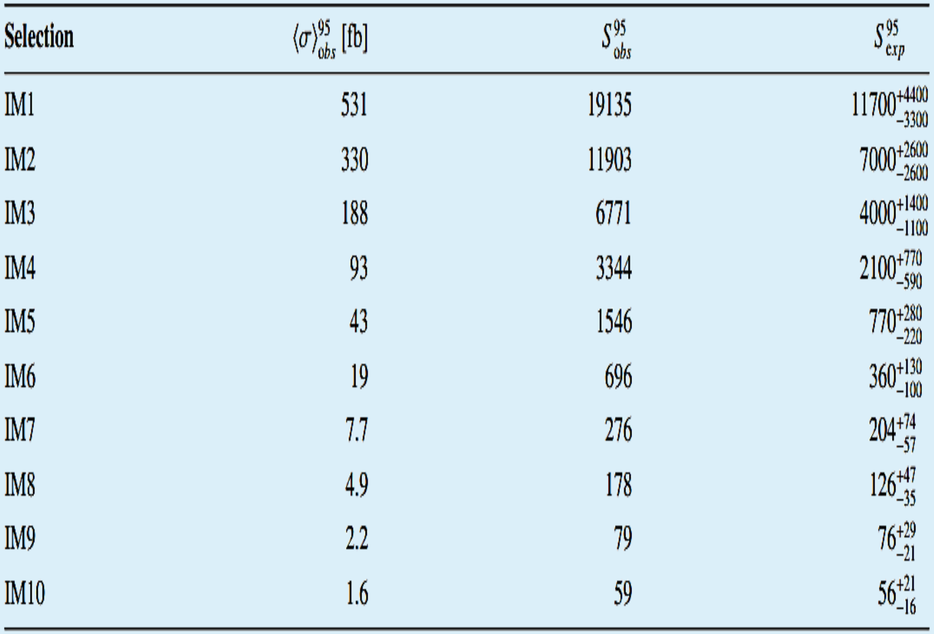
We find the interference effect to be negligible in the region of interest for the LHC sensitivity. Therefore, the diagonal and non-diagonal NSIs result in equivalent bounds at LHC.

Signal: small enhancement in the tail of MET distribution

Experimental bounds from mono-jet searches:



E_T^{miss} [GeV]	IM1	IM2	IM3	IM4	IM5	IM6	IM7	IM8	IM9	IM10
	>250	>300	>350	>400	>500	>600	>700	>800	>900	>1000



Selection	$\langle\sigma\rangle_{obs}^{95}$ [fb]	S_{obs}^{95}	S_{exp}^{95}
IM1	531	19135	11700^{+4400}_{-3300}
IM2	330	11903	7000^{+2600}_{-2600}
IM3	188	6771	4000^{+1400}_{-1100}
IM4	93	3344	2100^{+770}_{-590}
IM5	43	1546	770^{+280}_{-220}
IM6	19	696	360^{+130}_{-100}
IM7	7.7	276	204^{+74}_{-57}
IM8	4.9	178	126^{+47}_{-35}
IM9	2.2	79	76^{+29}_{-21}
IM10	1.6	59	56^{+21}_{-16}

arXiv:1711.03301 [hep-ex]

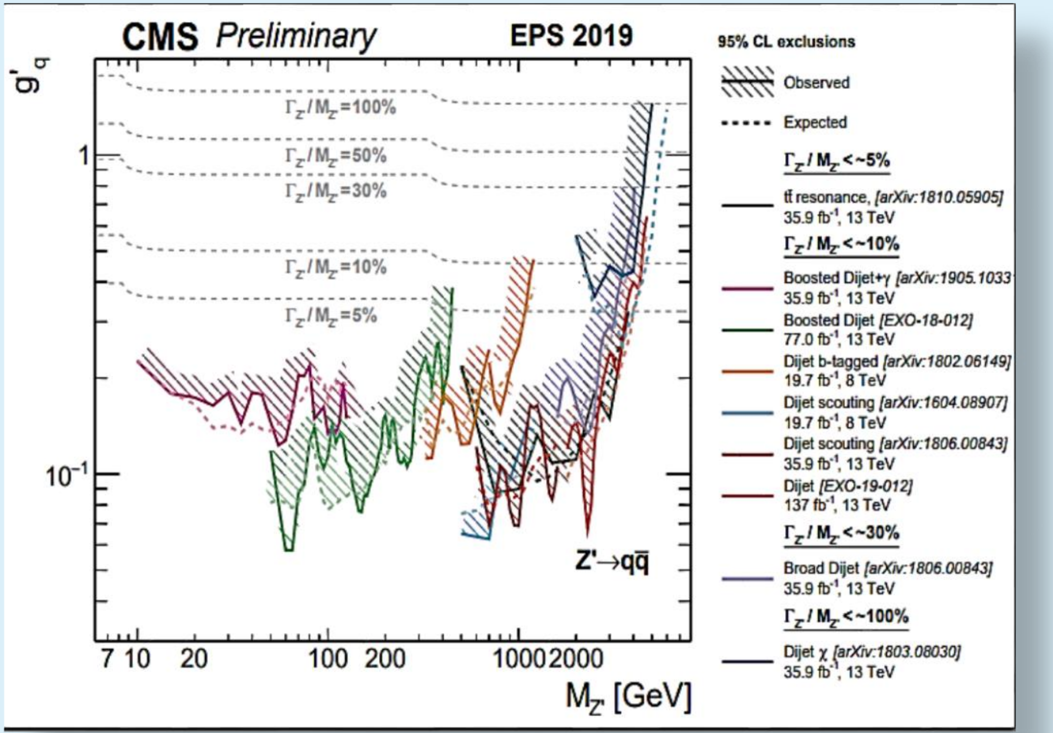
Following the recent 13 TeV ATLAS monojet study, we define jets with the anti-k_t jet algorithm and radius parameter R = 0.4, $p_{Tj} > 30$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.8$

Events with identified electrons with $p_T > 20$ GeV or muons $p_T > 10$ GeV in the final state are vetoed.

To suppress the Z+jets and W+jets backgrounds, the events are selected with missing $E_T > 250$ GeV recoiling against a leading jet with $p_{T\,j1} > 250$ GeV, $|\eta_{j1}| < 2.4$, and azimuthal separation $\Delta\varphi(j_1, \sim p_{T,miss}) > 0.4$.

Events with more than four jets are vetoed.

Experimental bounds from di-jet searches:



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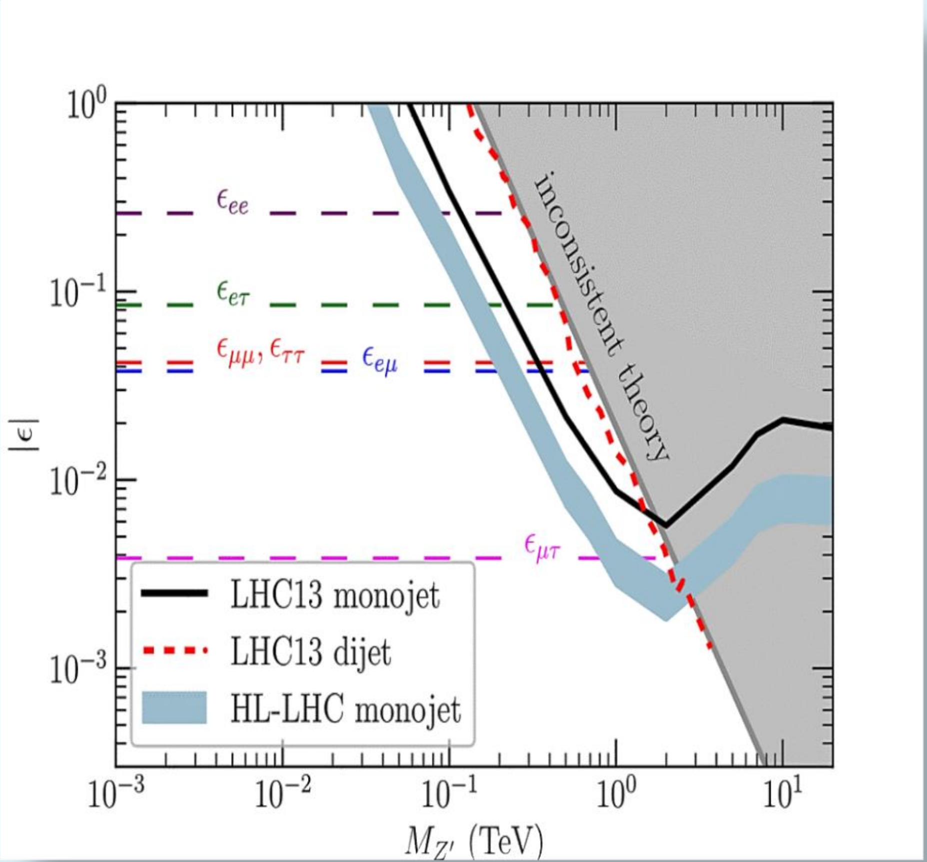
From EFTs to Simplified Models



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P. Coloma, I. Esteban, M. C. Gonzalez-Garcia, and M. Maltoni (2019)

NSIs are generally parametrized in the EFT framework as:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm NSI} = -2\sqrt{2} G_F \epsilon^{fY}_{\alpha\beta} \left(\bar{\nu}^\alpha \gamma_\mu \nu^\beta\right) \left(\bar{f} \gamma^\mu P_Y f\right)$$

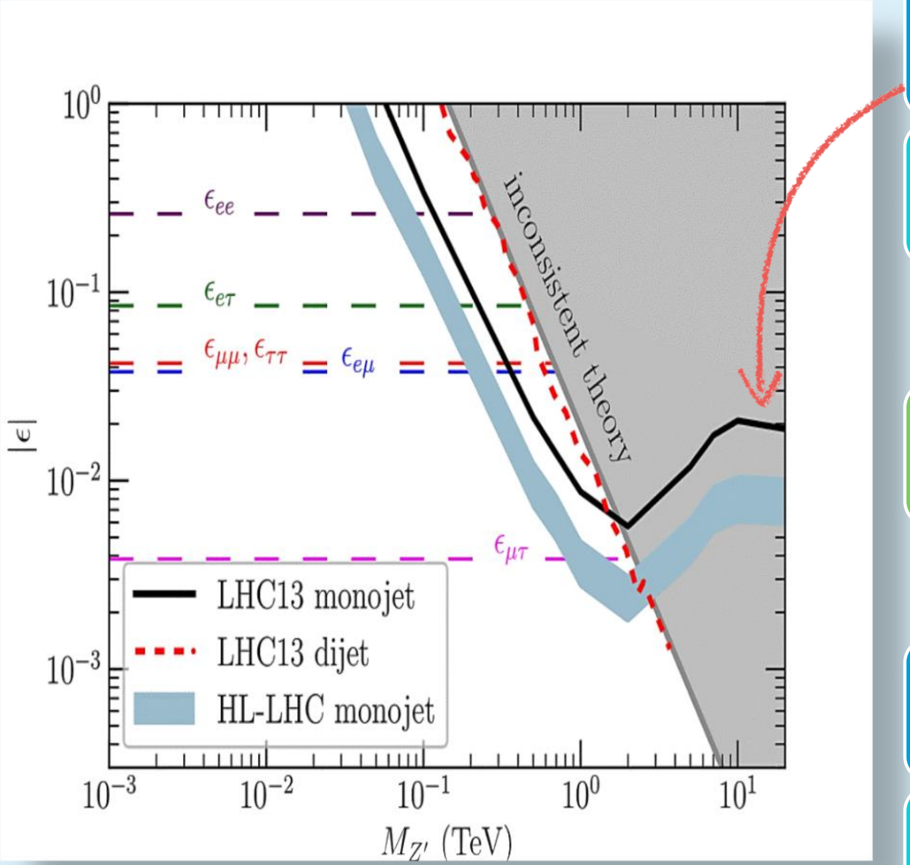
Adopting a simplified model approach, we parametrize the NSI as:

$$\mathcal{L}^{\rm Simp}_{\rm NSI} = \left(g_\nu^{\alpha\beta} \bar{\nu}_\alpha \gamma^\mu P_L \nu_\beta + g^Y_{qi} \bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu P_Y q_i\right) Z'_\mu$$

Neutrino NSIs arise in the simplified model as:

$$\epsilon^u_{\alpha\beta} = \epsilon^d_{\alpha\beta} \equiv \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{(g_\nu)_{\alpha\beta} g^V_{u,d}}{2\sqrt{2} G_F M^2_{Z'}}$$

Validity of this EFT at the LHC



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We can identify the EFT regime for the LHC when the mass of the mediator is much above the scale of the process involved.

For any fixed ratio $\Gamma_{Z'}/M_{Z'}$, we can write the following inequality

$$|\epsilon| \leq \frac{\sqrt{3}\pi}{\sqrt{N} G_F M_{Z'}^2} \frac{\Gamma_{Z'}}{M_{Z'}}$$

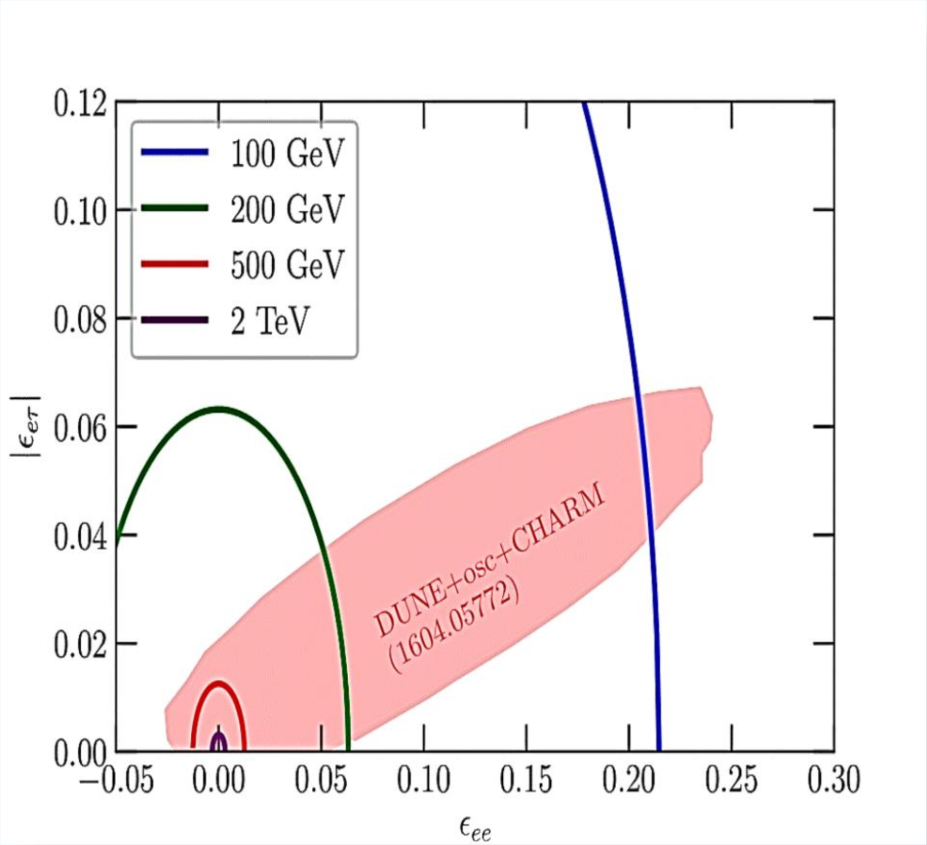
This constraint originates from the fact that the total width of the Z' should be larger than the partial widths to $q_i q_i$ and νν:

$$\Gamma_{Z'} \geq M_{Z'}/(24\pi)\left(g_\nu^2 + 3N\left\{\left(g_u^V\right)^2 + \left(g_d^V\right)^2\right\}\right)$$

Considering narrower Z' makes the constraint stronger, while broader Z' implies non-perturbativity

Traditional EFT analyses at the LHC using four-fermion operators will typically not be valid, at least having simple/minimal UV completions in mind.

Complementarity between LHC and neutrino experiments



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Differently from the LHC, the effects of NSIs in neutrino oscillations strongly depend on the flavor structure of the NSI and the oscillation channel being studied.

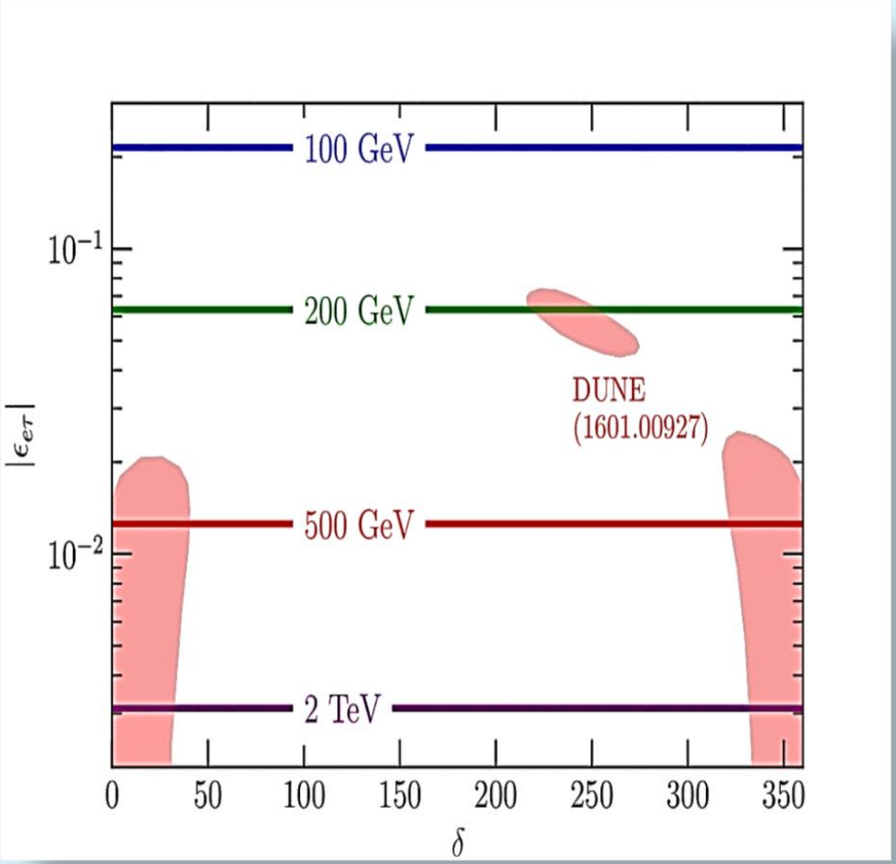
The effects of different NSIs and/or variations of the standard oscillation parameters can, in some cases, compensate each other and lead to well known degeneracies.

Disentangling those is a difficult task at neutrino facilities.

In contrast, the mono-jet signal at the LHC, does not distinguish between different choices of flavors i.e., they all lead to the same observables.

Besides constraining the currently allowed NSI parameter space, this feature can be further exploited to break relevant degeneracies.

Complementarity between LHC and neutrino experiments



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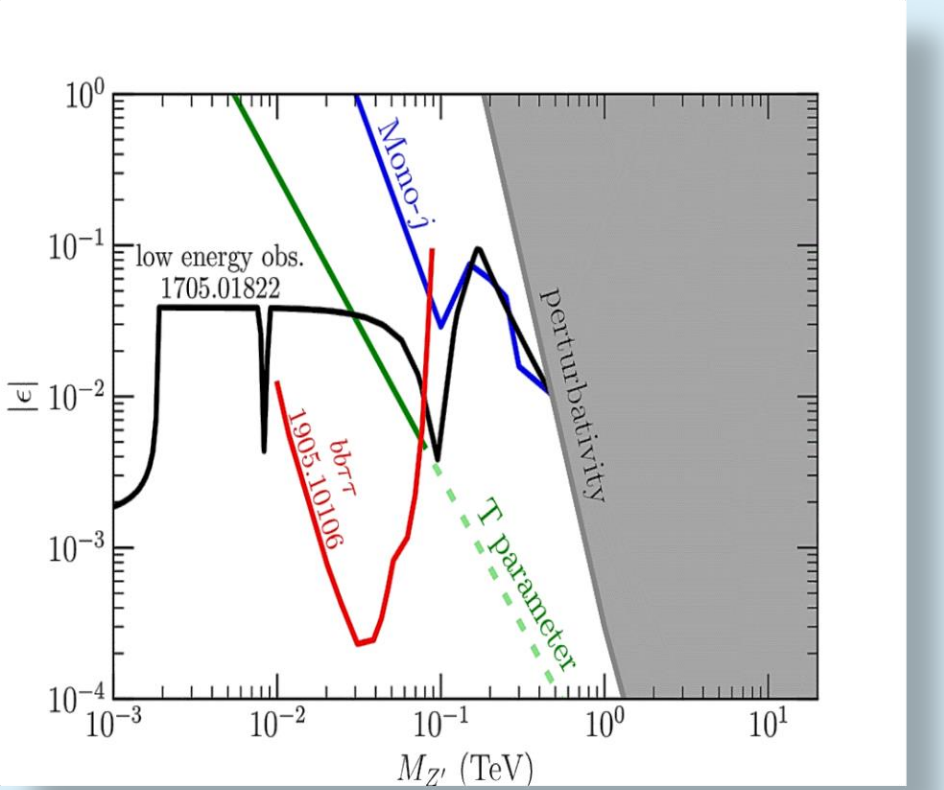
The LHC sensitivity displays a strong dependence on the mediator mass, but it is free of parameter degeneracies. Neutrino oscillation measurements, on the other hand, exhibit the opposite behavior: significant degeneracies and no mediator mass dependence.

The matter potential induced when neutrinos travel through a medium is not affected by a diagonal, universal contribution (as this just induces an overall phase shift on the neutrino state). On the other hand, LHC data is sensitive to each and all NSI parameters independently.

Neutrino oscillations are not sensitive to axial interactions, while LHC data is sensitive to both vector and axial new physics contributions.

All these features show the synergies between oscillation measurements and collider data on probing new physics in the neutrino sector.

Towards a UV complete scenario



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F. Elahi and A. Martin (2019)

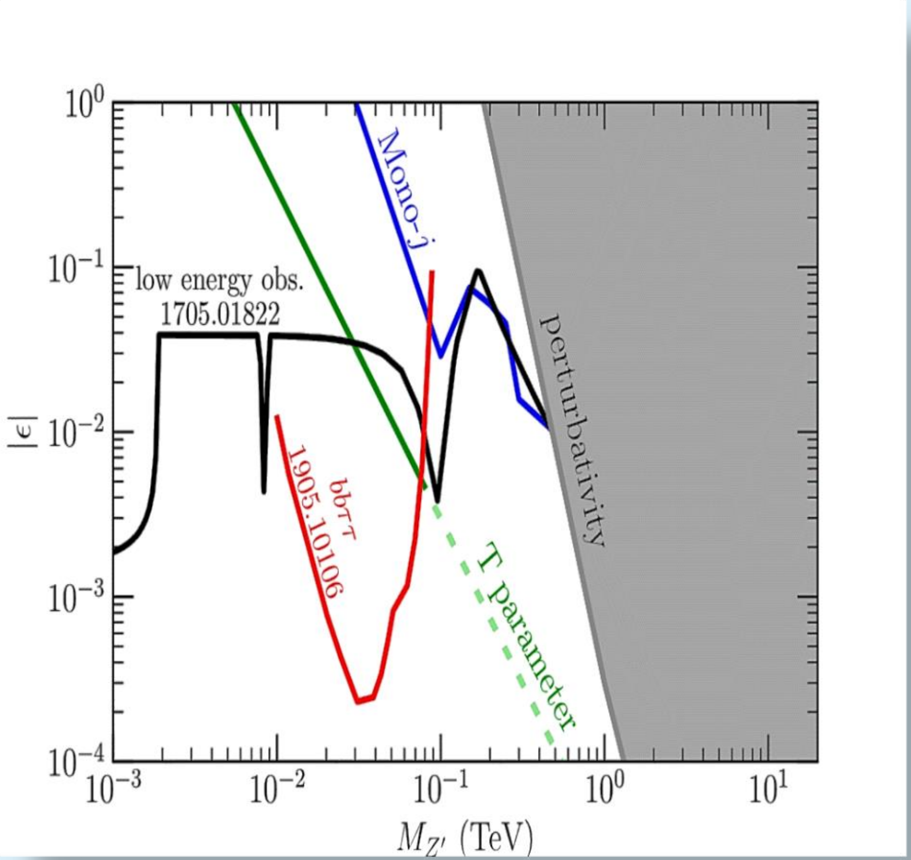
Any UV complete model of neutrino NSI is expected to provide a more extensive phenomenology, especially since neutrinos are in the same $SU(2)_L$ doublet as charged leptons.

In this UV completion the B − L number is gauged, but only for the third family.

Heavy mediators are strongly constrained by LHC data.

Low mediators constrained by low-energy experiments.

Towards a UV complete scenario



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Low energy constraints, dedicated LHC searches, and missing energy signatures provide strong constraints for different masses of the mediator.

For masses below about 10 GeV, low energy observables tend to dominate.

In the intermediate regime 10 – 100 GeV, dedicated searches for visible signatures at the LHC become more relevant.

Finally, from 0.1 – 1 TeV LHC mono-jet searches, low energy observables and electroweak precision observables (up to the T parameter model dependence) play the leading role.

This makes manifest the complementarities among collider data, oscillation measurements, and other low energy observables.

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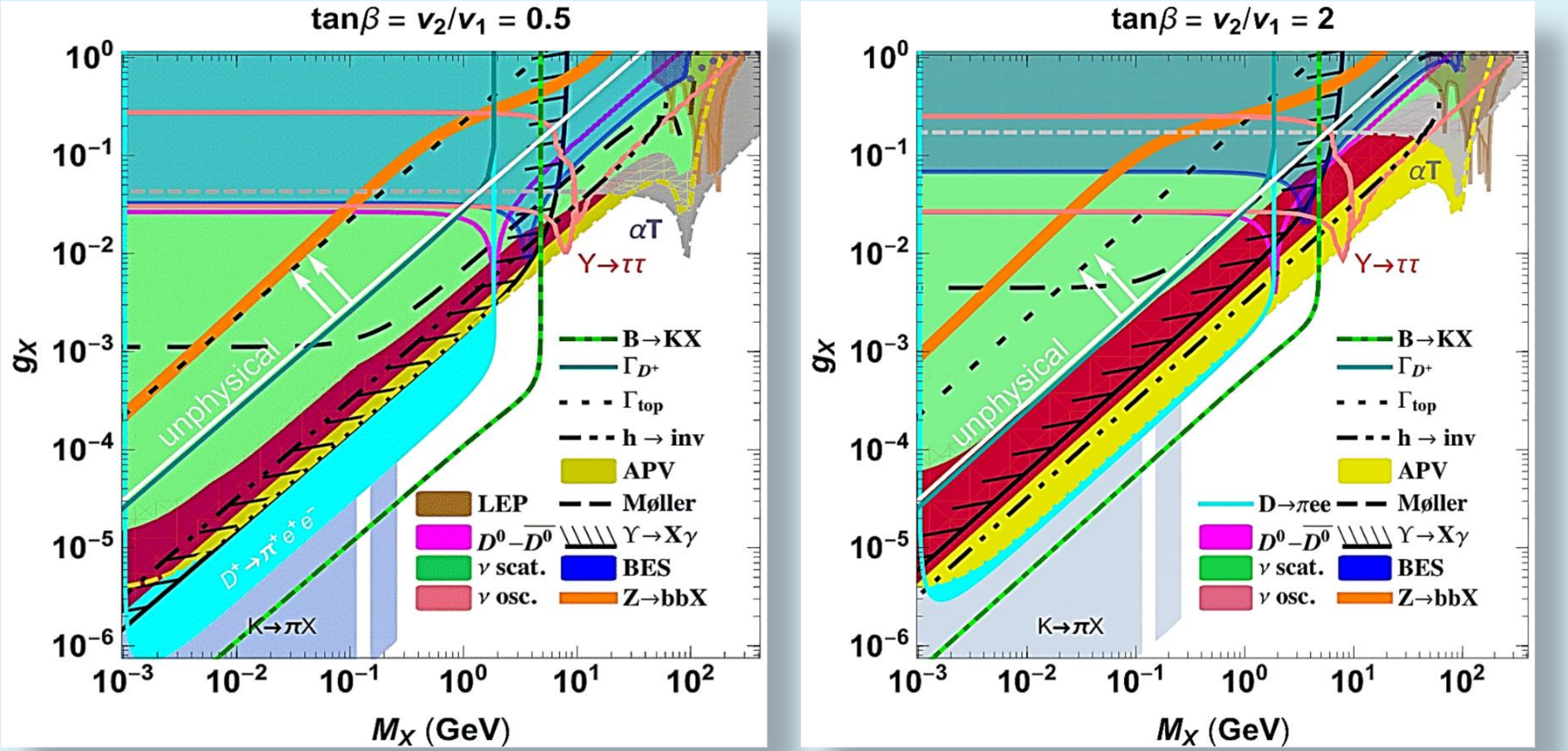

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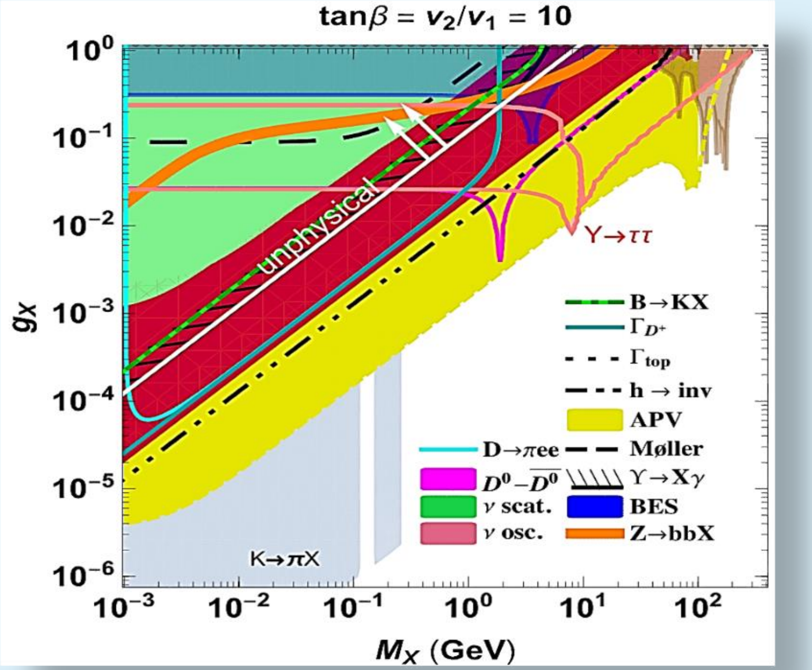

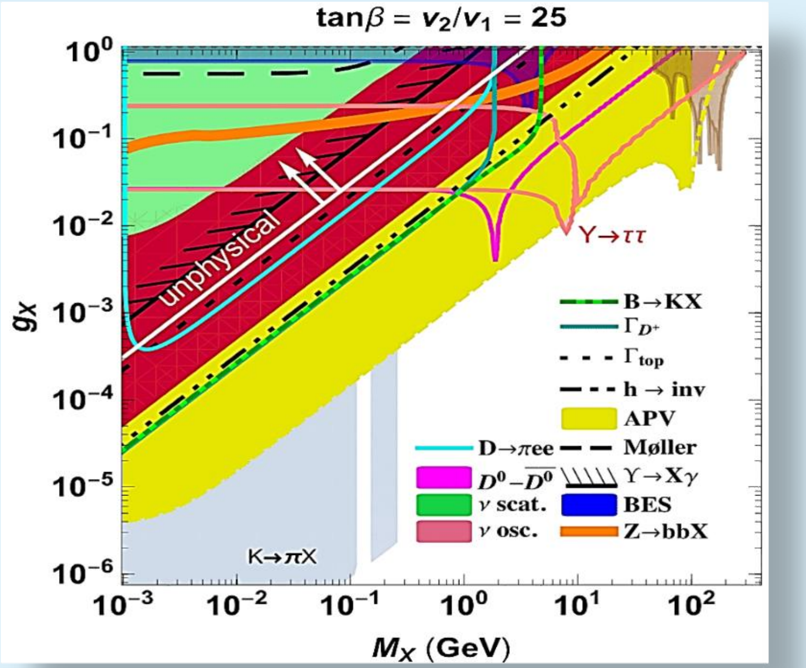

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For other collider studies on NSI: See A. Friedland, M. L. Graesser, I. M. Shoemaker, and L. Vecchi (2011), D. Choudhury, K. Ghosh, and S. Niyogi (2018), T. Han, J. Liao, H. Liu, and D. Marfatia (2019) etc.

Summary

We have explored the complementarity between neutrino experiments and LHC searches in probing neutrino NSI.

It covers the full span of theory frameworks: effective field theories, simplified models, and an illustrative UV completion.

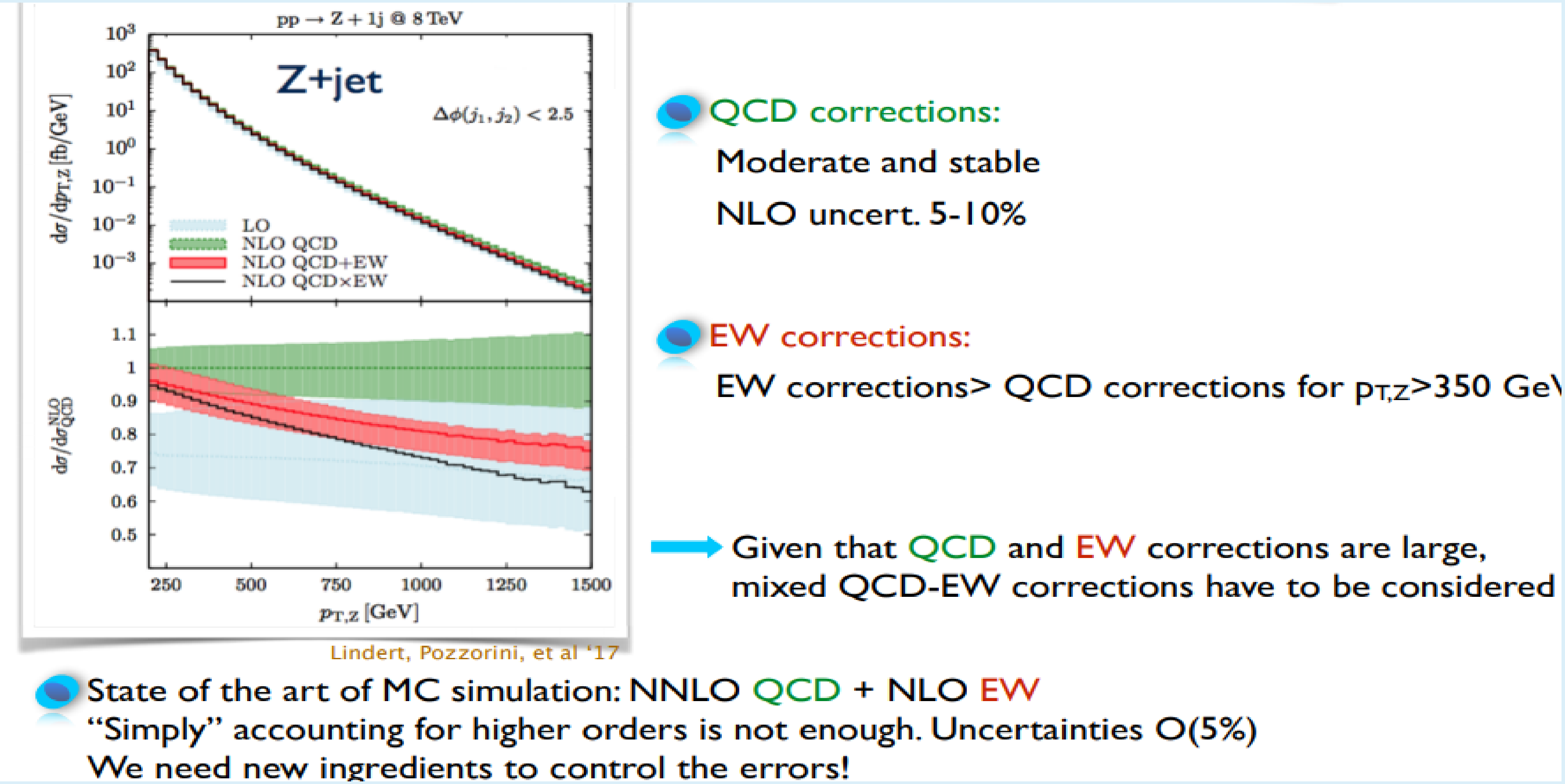
The LHC sensitivities to NSIs display relevant synergies to oscillation results. Namely,

i) the breakdown of degeneracies among NSI and oscillation parameters,	and ii) sensitivity to new phenomenological signatures at the LHC.

As a by-product of our analysis, we have shown that the use of EFT at the LHC in estimating sensitivity to NSIs is not generally theoretically consistent.


Thank you!

Monojets: systematic uncertainties



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- QCD corrections:

  Moderate and stable

  NLO uncert. 5-10%

- EW corrections:

  EW corrections> QCD corrections for $p_{T,Z}$>350 GeV

→ Given that QCD and EW corrections are large, mixed QCD-EW corrections have to be considered

- State of the art of MC simulation: NNLO QCD + NLO EW
  "Simply" accounting for higher orders is not enough. Uncertainties O(5%)
  We need new ingredients to control the errors!

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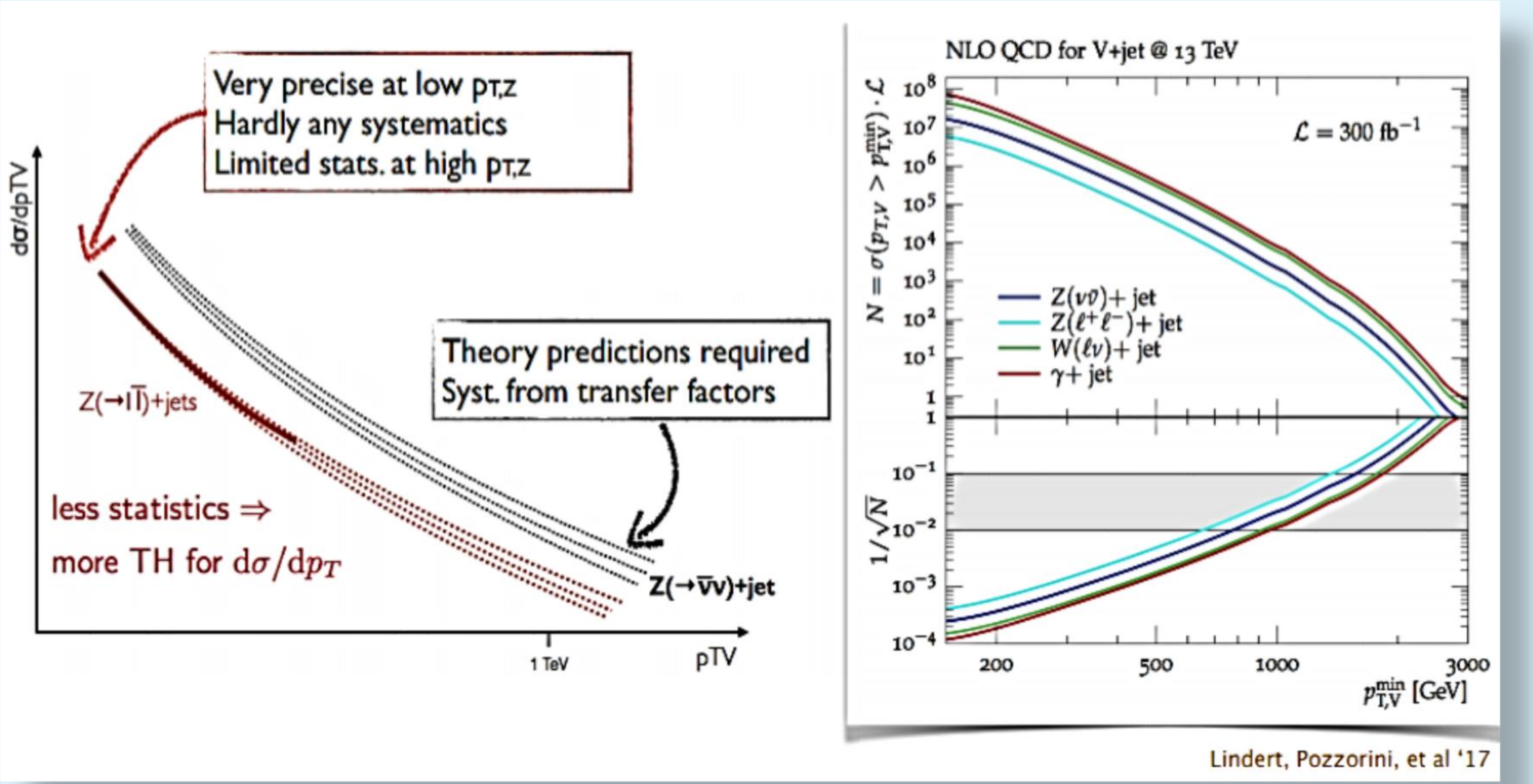

Very precise at low $p_{T,Z}$
Hardly any systematics
Limited stats. at high $p_{T,Z}$

Theory predictions required
Syst. from transfer factors

less statistics ⇒
more TH for $d\sigma/dp_T$

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