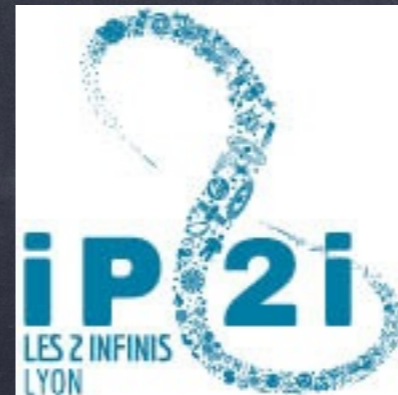
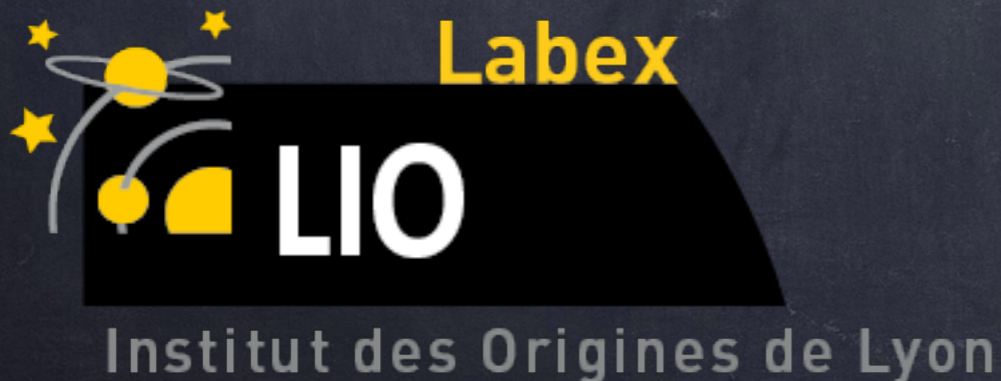


# Composite Higgs signatures at the LHC (and future)

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Snowmass EF08, 11 June 2020



# How to give mass to SM fermions?

- Partial compositeness is the most popular framework
- It predicts heavy spin- $1/2$  "top partners"
- Additional light "pions" are a must



# How to give mass to SM fermions?

Replace the Higgs with a composite operator:

$$y_t \varphi_H^* \bar{q}_L t_R \longrightarrow \frac{\lambda_t}{\Lambda^{d-1}} \mathcal{O}_H \bar{q}_L t_R \quad \left( \frac{\lambda_t}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\psi} \psi \bar{q}_L t_R \right)$$

High scale (flavour)

Unsuppressed coupling (top) requires  $d \sim 1$ ,  
i.e. the dimension of a scalar field!

It walks like a scalar,  
it quacks like a scalar...  
it is probably a scalar!



Guess who's  
back?  
Naturalness  
problem!

# How to give mass to SM fermions?

Top partial compositeness:

$$\frac{\lambda_R}{\Lambda^{d_B - 5/2}} \mathcal{O}_B t_R \quad \left( \frac{\lambda_R}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\psi} \psi \bar{\psi} t_R \right)$$

Unsuppressed coupling (top) requires  $d_B \sim 5/2!$   
Not related to a scalar dimension...

# How to give mass to SM fermions?

Top partial compositeness:

$$\frac{\lambda_R}{\Lambda^{d_B - 5/2}} \mathcal{O}_B t_R \quad \left( \frac{\lambda_R}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\psi} \psi \bar{\psi} t_R \right)$$

↓

$$y_L f \bar{q}_L T_R, \quad y_R f \bar{T}_L t_R \quad \longrightarrow \quad y_t \sim \frac{y_R y_L f}{M_T}$$

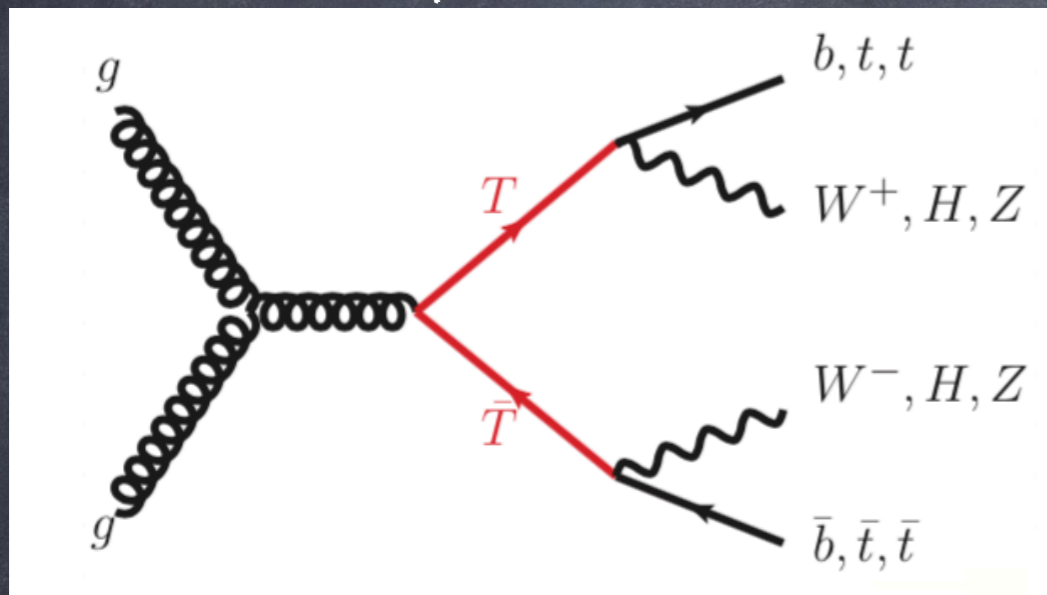
- Top partners emerge from the spin-1/2 composite operators.
- They cannot be too heavy (multi-TeV range).

# Generic properties

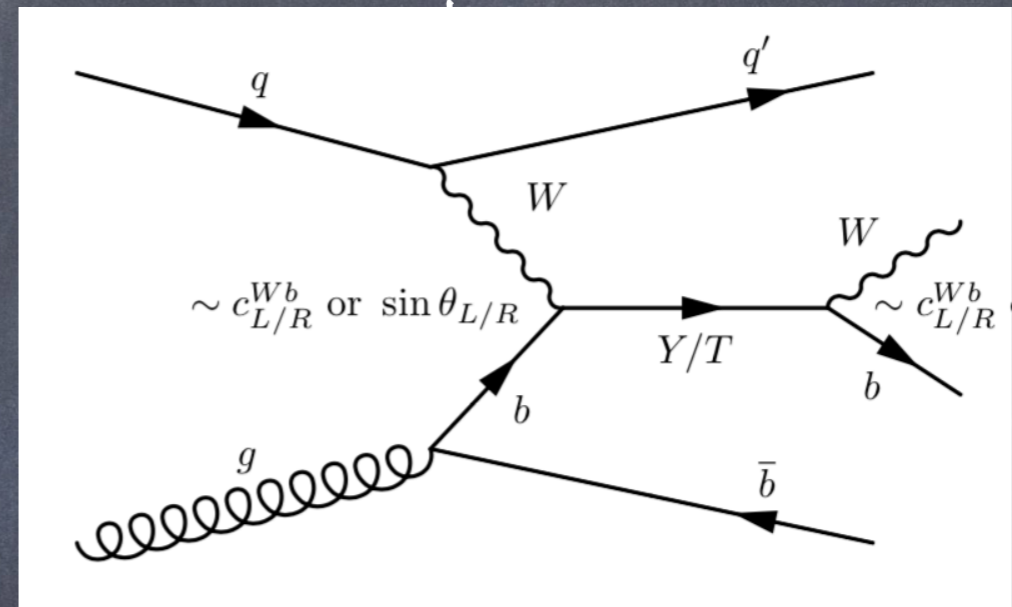
- They have QCD gauge interactions, leading to "model-independent" pair production (caveat: neutral naturalness, EW contr.)
- Coupling to  $W$ ,  $Z$  and  $H$  are "chiral" (i.e., involve dominantly one chirality)
- Charges related to quarks:  $T(+2/3)$ ,  $B(-1/3)$
- Exotic charges from custodial symmetry:  $X(+5/3)$ ,  $Y(-4/3)$

# Top partners at colliders

Pair production:



Single production:

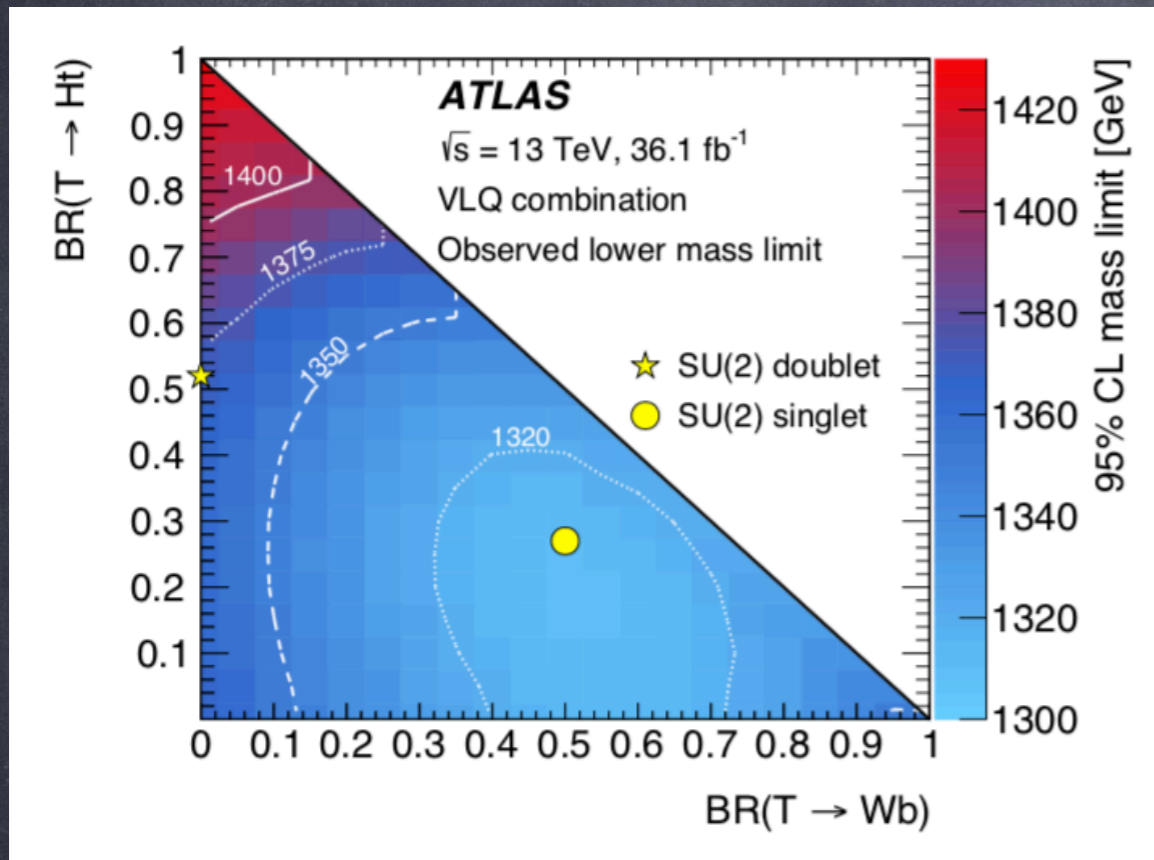


- Only depends on the mass (to first approximation)
- Can study as a function of the Branching Ratios

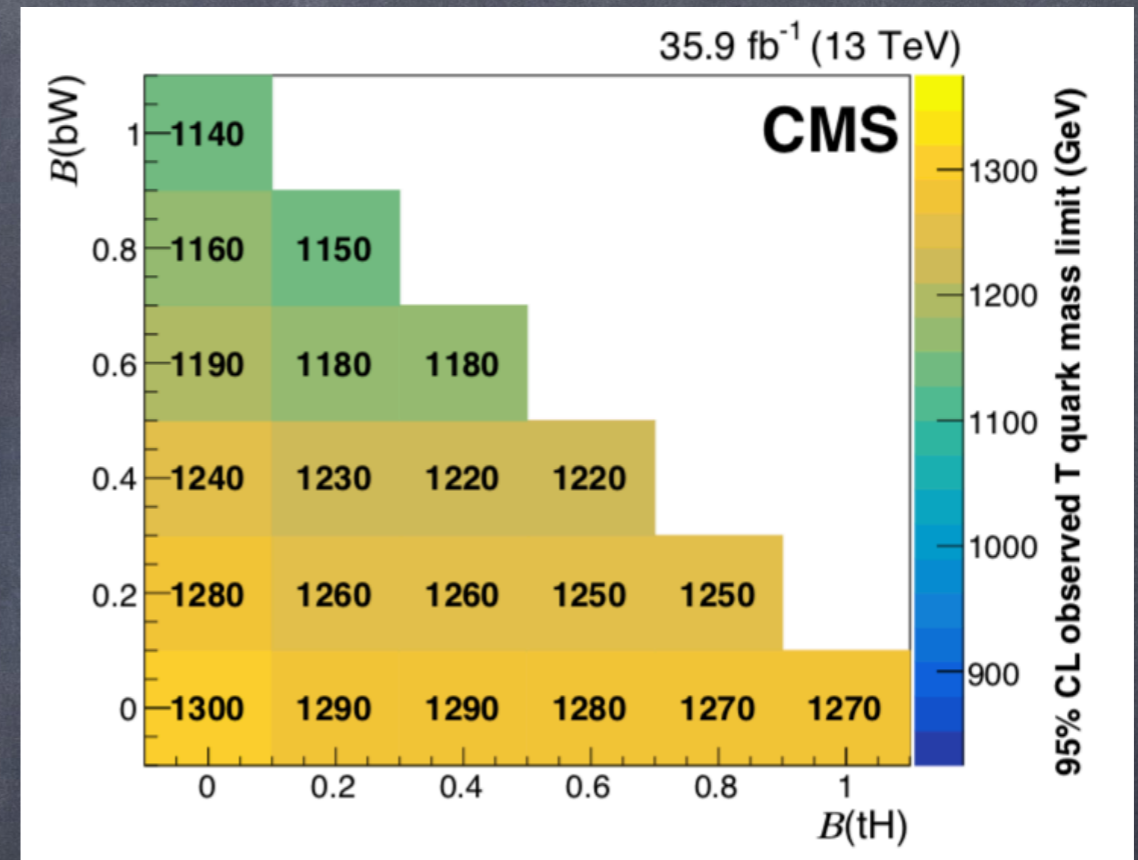
- Production depends on a coupling (model dependence)
- Becomes more relevant at high mass (new searches)

Other production channels: EW pair production, resonant production via heavier boson, ...

# Top partners at colliders



Combination with many channels



Final states with 1 or 2 leptons

- Strategy: focus on a specific final state (bW, tH, tZ), design optimal searches
- Express a bound on the mass in the BR parameter space.



# Top partners at colliders

For single production, one may adopt a similar strategy, with one additional parameter: a coupling

We can finally re-express the Lagrangian in Eq. (2.1) in terms of the relevant 5 parameters as follows:

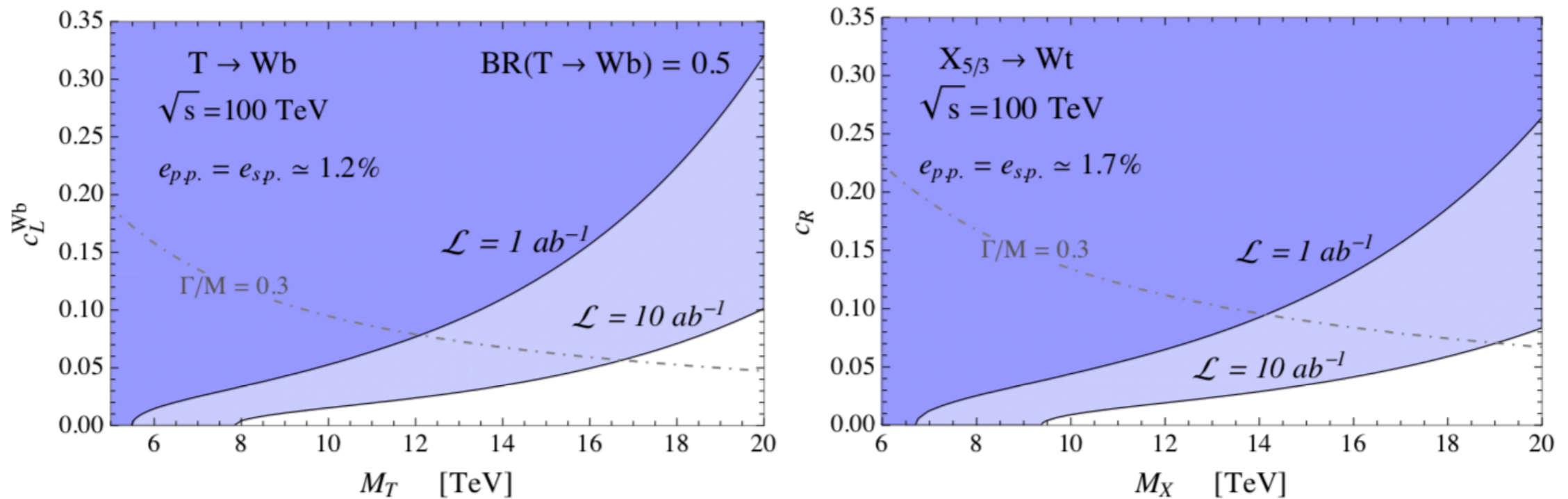
$$\mathcal{L} = \kappa_T \left\{ \sqrt{\frac{\zeta_i \xi_W}{\Gamma_W^0}} \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} [\bar{T}_{L/R} W_\mu^+ \gamma^\mu d_{L/R}^i] + \sqrt{\frac{\zeta_i \xi_Z}{\Gamma_Z^0}} \frac{g}{2c_W} [\bar{T}_{L/R} Z_\mu \gamma^\mu u_{L/R}^i] - \sqrt{\frac{\zeta_i (1 - \xi_Z - \xi_W)}{\Gamma_H^0}} \frac{M}{v} [\bar{T}_{R/L} H u_{L/R}^i] \right\} + h.c. \quad \text{with} \quad \zeta_3 = 1 - \zeta_1 - \zeta_2. \quad (2.19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} BR(T \rightarrow Zj) &= \zeta_{jet} \xi_Z, & BR(T \rightarrow Zt) &= (1 - \zeta_{jet}) \xi_Z, \\ BR(T \rightarrow Hj) &= \zeta_{jet} (1 - \xi_Z - \xi_W), & BR(T \rightarrow Ht) &= (1 - \zeta_{jet}) (1 - \xi_Z - \xi_W), \\ BR(T \rightarrow W^+ j) &= \zeta_{jet} \xi_W, & BR(T \rightarrow W^+ b) &= (1 - \zeta_{jet}) \xi_W. \end{aligned}$$

1305.4172

One of the many possible parameterisations...

# Projections for 100 TeV collider:



**Fig. 104:** *Left:* Exclusion reach for a top partner  $T$  of electric charge  $2/3$ ; *Right:* same plot for an  $X_{5/3}$  of charge  $5/3$ . The plots are obtained by assuming that future searches at 100 TeV will be sensitive to the same number of signal events as the current 8 TeV ones. Namely, excluded signal yields  $S_{exc} \simeq 25$  and  $S_{exc} \simeq 10$  are assumed for the  $T$  and the  $X_{5/3}$ . Signal selection efficiencies are also extracted from 8 TeV results. In the case of the single production mode, for which no dedicated searches are currently available, the efficiency ( $e_{s.p.}$ ) is taken equal to the pair production one for simplicity. Further details can be found in ref. [777].

This is the "standard" story,  
can we go beyond?

Do we need to?

YES

# Top partners as baryons

Gauge-fermion underlying theory

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{fl.}}} q \underbrace{\sigma^{\mu\nu} \psi G_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{T}}$$

$$d_T^{\text{naive}} = 7/2$$

- typically loop-suppressed
- psi need to carry colour and flavour quantum numbers

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{fl.}}^2} q \underbrace{\psi\psi\psi}_{\text{T}}$$

$$d_T^{\text{naive}} = 9/2$$

- higher dimension, but easier to generate
- Note: issue with other 4-Fermion interactions non avoided!!! Anomalous dimensions are crucial!



# An example

Baryons:  $\psi\chi\chi$

Ferretti 1404.7137

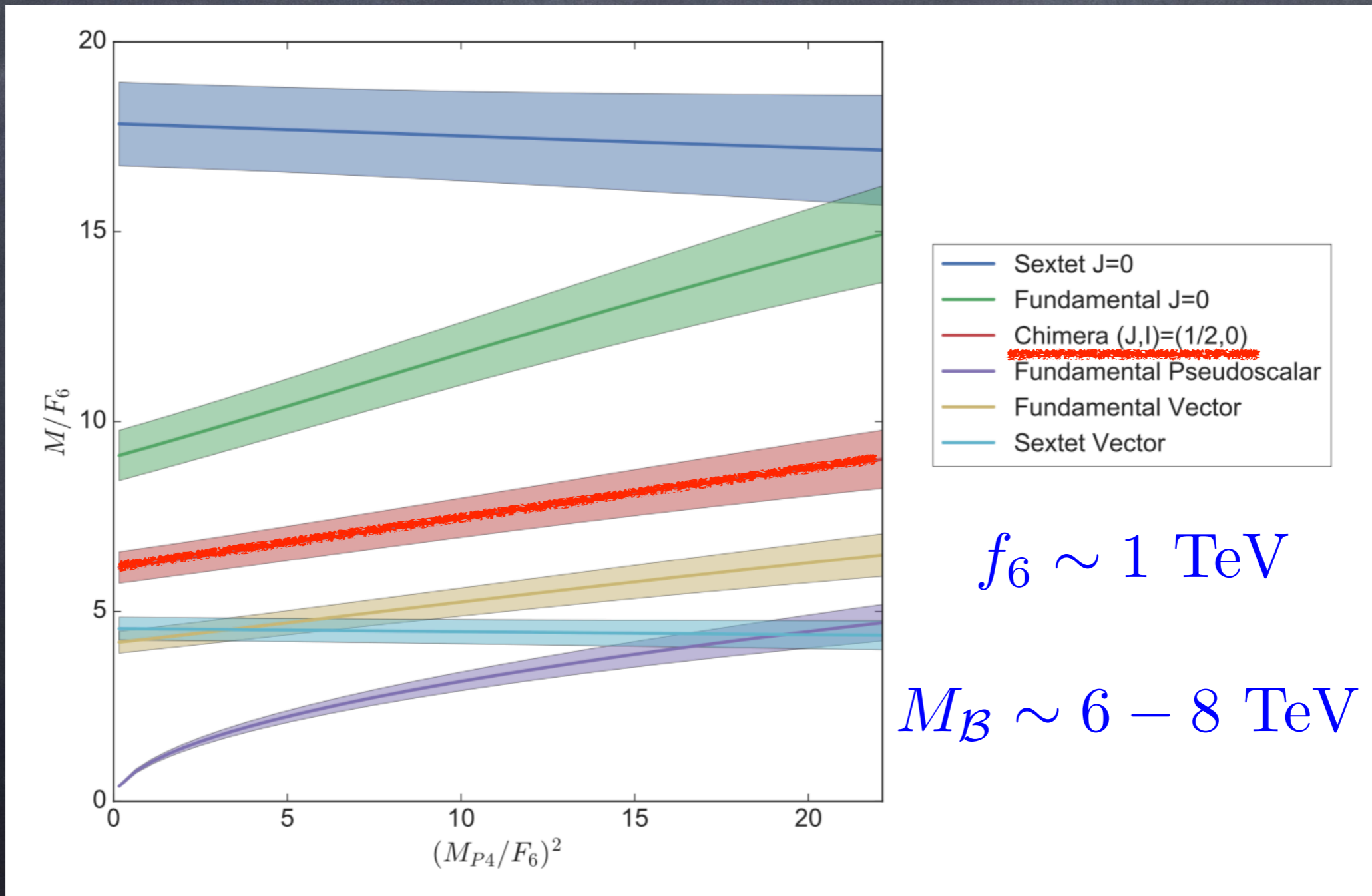
	$G_{HC}$	$G_F$				
	$SU(4)$	$SU(5)$	$SU(3)$	$SU(3)'$	$U(1)_X$	$U(1)'$
$\psi$	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	0	-1
$\chi$	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	-1/3	5/3
$\tilde{\chi}$	$\bar{\mathbf{4}}$	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	$\bar{\mathbf{3}}$	1/3	5/3

Preliminary lattice results are available!

# An example

Baryons:  $\psi\chi\chi$

Ayyar et al 1801.05809



# Global symmetries

More precisely, the global symmetries are:

$$SU(N_Q) \times SU(N_X) \times U(1)_Q \times U(1)_X$$

WZW term:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{g_i^2}{32\pi^2} \frac{\kappa_i}{f_a} a \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} G_{\mu\nu}^i G_{\alpha\beta}^i,$$

Coefficients depend  
on the underlying dynamics!

$$G = A, W, Z, g \text{ !!!}$$

Cai, Flacke, Lespinasse 1512.04508

Anomalous U(1)  $\rightarrow$  heavy  $\eta'$

Orthogonal U(1)  $\rightarrow$  pNGB  $a$

Decays and production  
only via WZW anomaly.



# Model zoology

Ferretti  
1604.06467

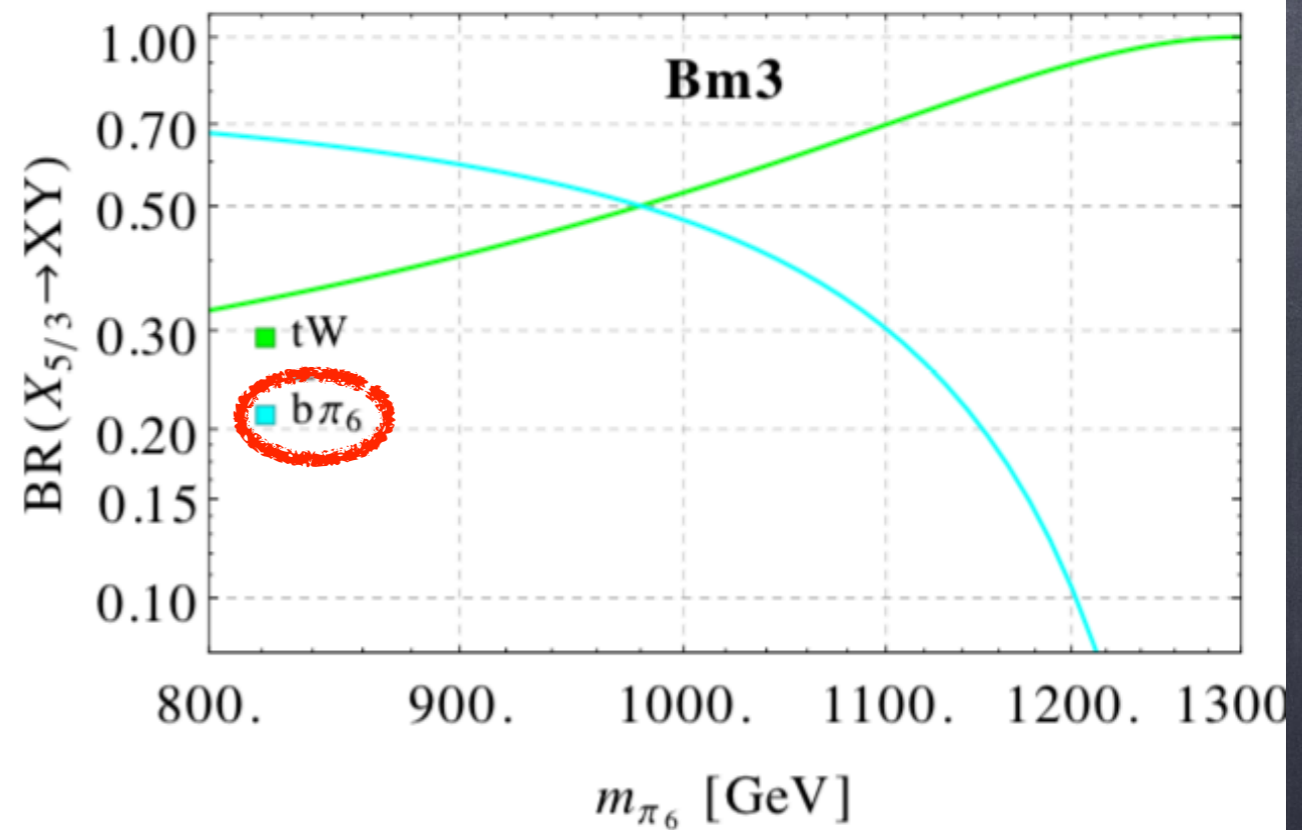
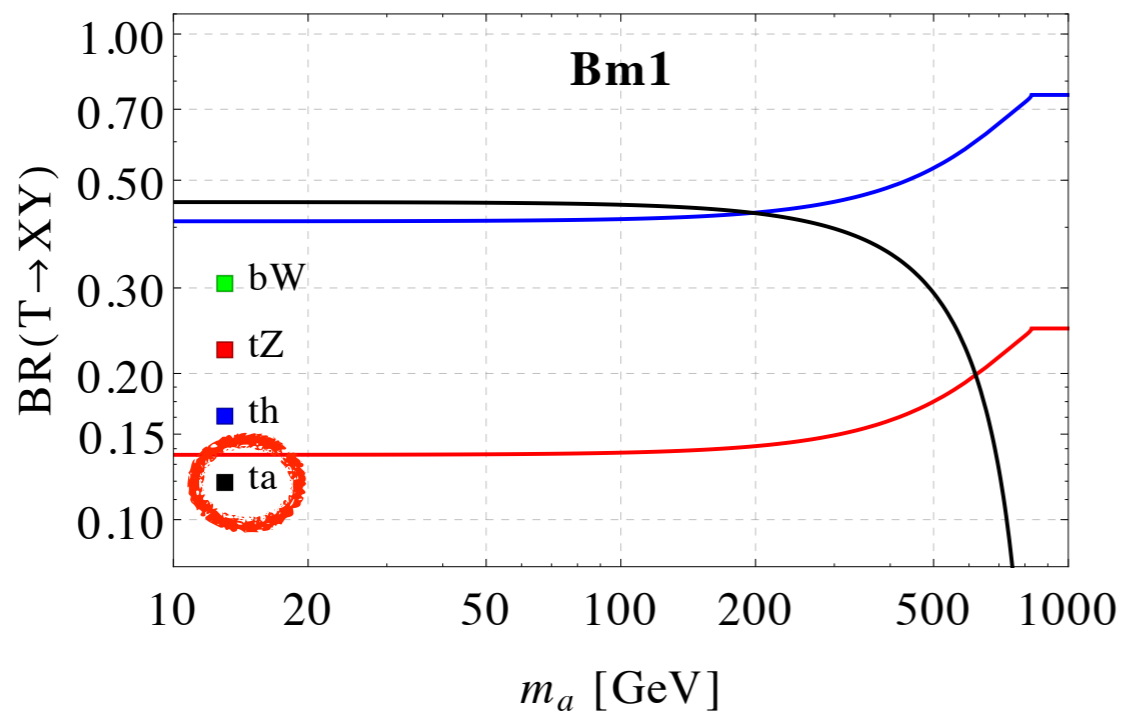
GC, T.Flacke, G.Ferretti,  
H.Serodio  
1902.06890

Model	EW coset					QCD coset					a	$\eta'$
	$2_{\pm 1/2}$	$3_0$	$3_{\pm 1}$	$1_0$	$1_{\pm 1}$	$8_0$	$\bar{3}_{2/3}$	$\bar{3}_{4/3}$	$6_{2/3}$	$6_{4/3}$		
M1	1	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1
M2	1	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1
M3	1	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
M4	1	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
M5	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1
M6	1	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
M7	1	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
M8	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
M9	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
M10	2	1	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
M11	2	1	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
M12	2	1	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1

# Exotic top partner decays

In realistic models:

N.Bizot et al, 1803.00021



Phenomenology  
studied in:

Benbrik et al, 1907.05029

Xie Ke-Pan et al, 1907.05894

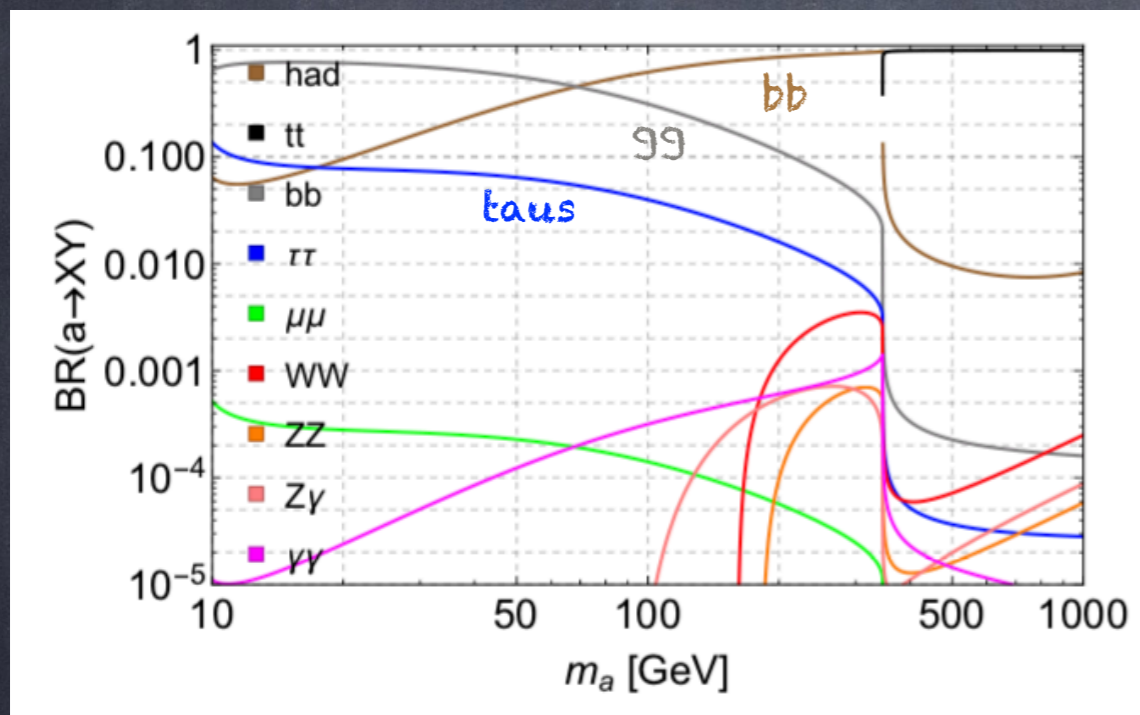
Zhang Mengchao et al, 1908.07524

# $T_{2/3}$ exotic decays

Zhang Mengchao et al, 1908.07524

$T \rightarrow t a$

We recast:



- CMS excited top @ RunII

[CERN-EP-2017-272](#)

- ATLAS RPV SUSY @ RunI

[CERN-PH-EP-2015-020](#)

(RunII update has too high HT cut)

Below  $tt$  threshold:

$a \rightarrow gg$

$a \rightarrow bb$

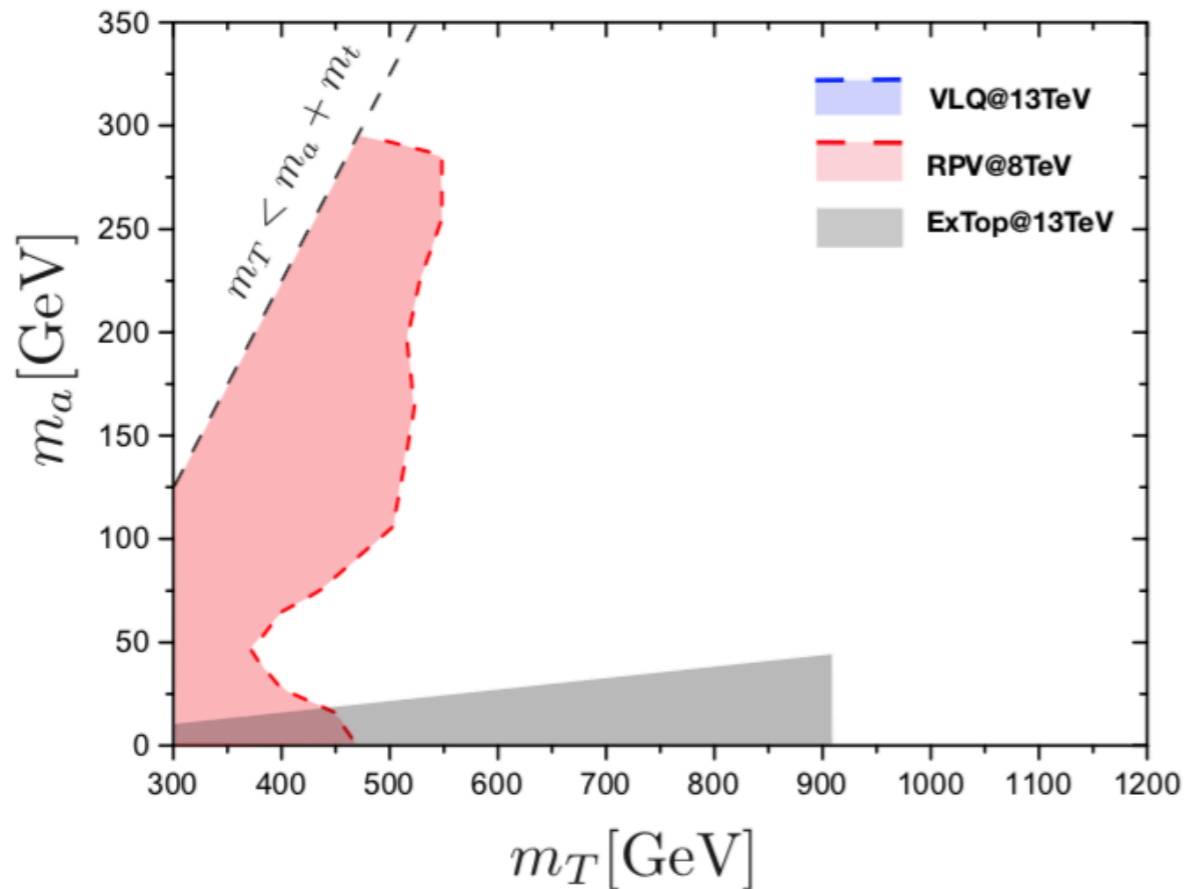
- ATLAS  $T \rightarrow t H_{bb}$  @ RunII

[CERN-EP-2018-031](#)

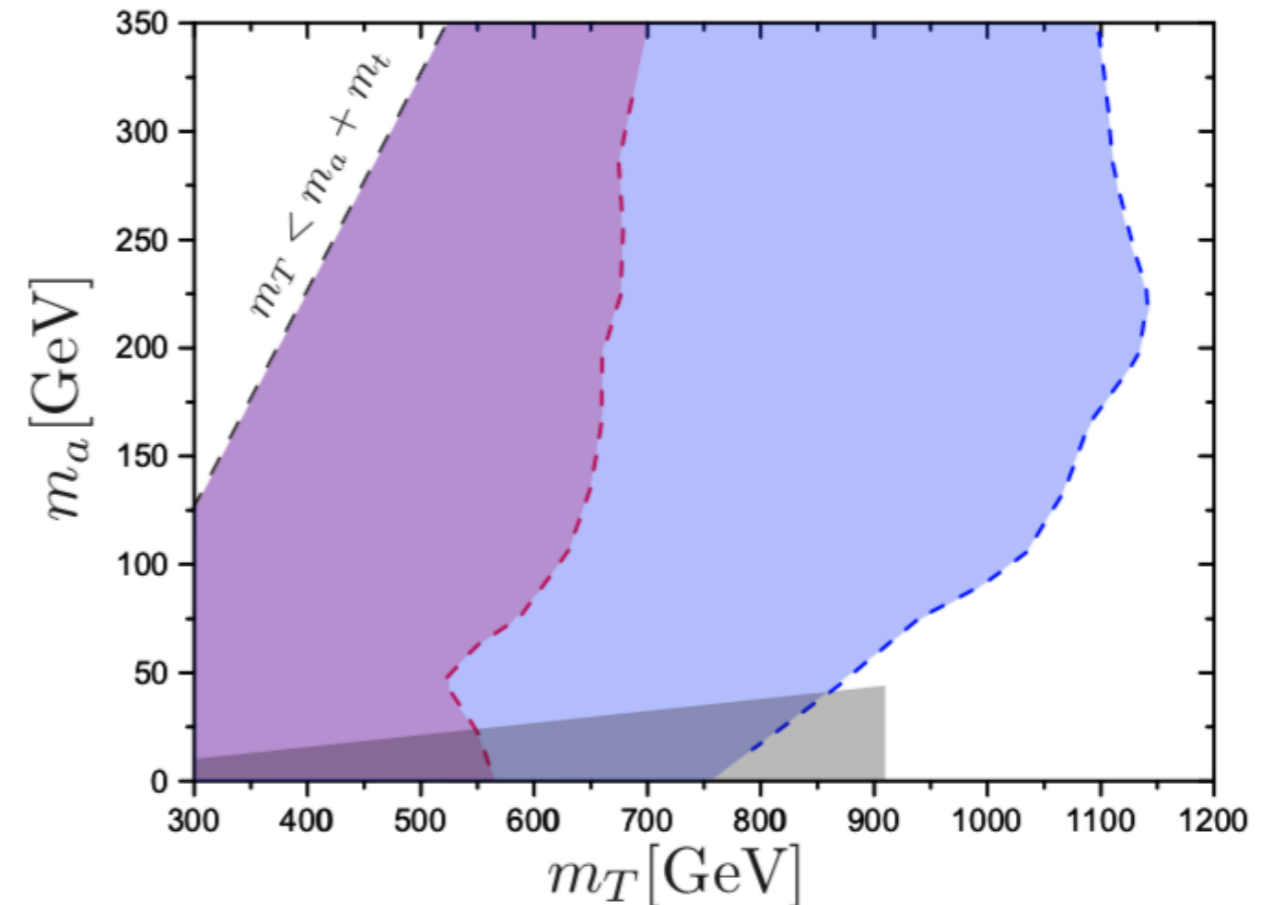
# $T_{2/3}$ exotic decays

Zhang Mengchao et al, 1908.07524

$BR(a \rightarrow gg) = 100\%$ ,  $BR(a \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = 0\%$



$BR(a \rightarrow gg) = 0\%$ ,  $BR(a \rightarrow b\bar{b}) = 100\%$



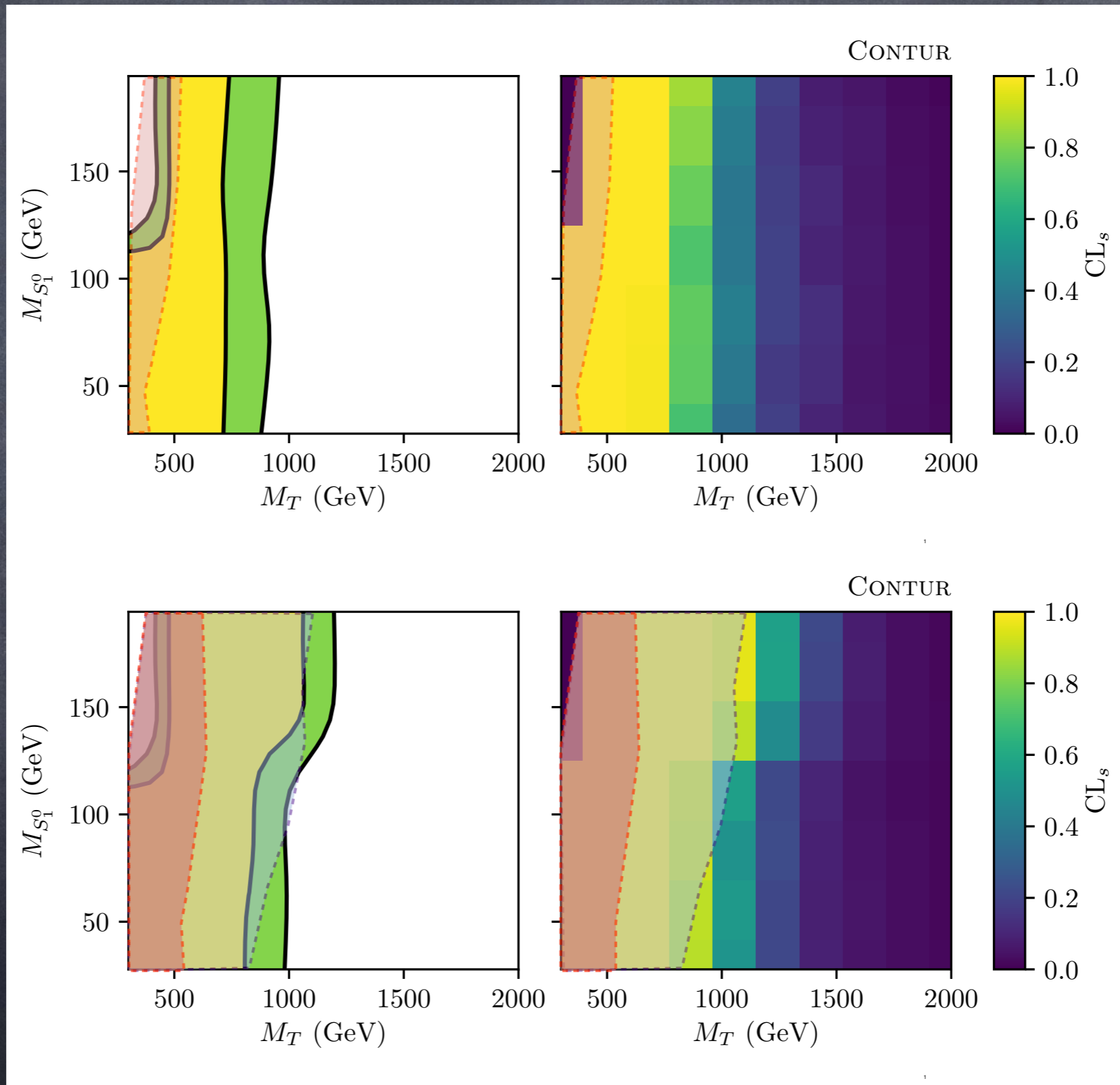
Bounds are substantially weakened for decays into jets!

# $T_{2/3}$ exotic decays

$T \rightarrow ta \rightarrow tjj$

SM measurements  
can do better  
than BSM searches!

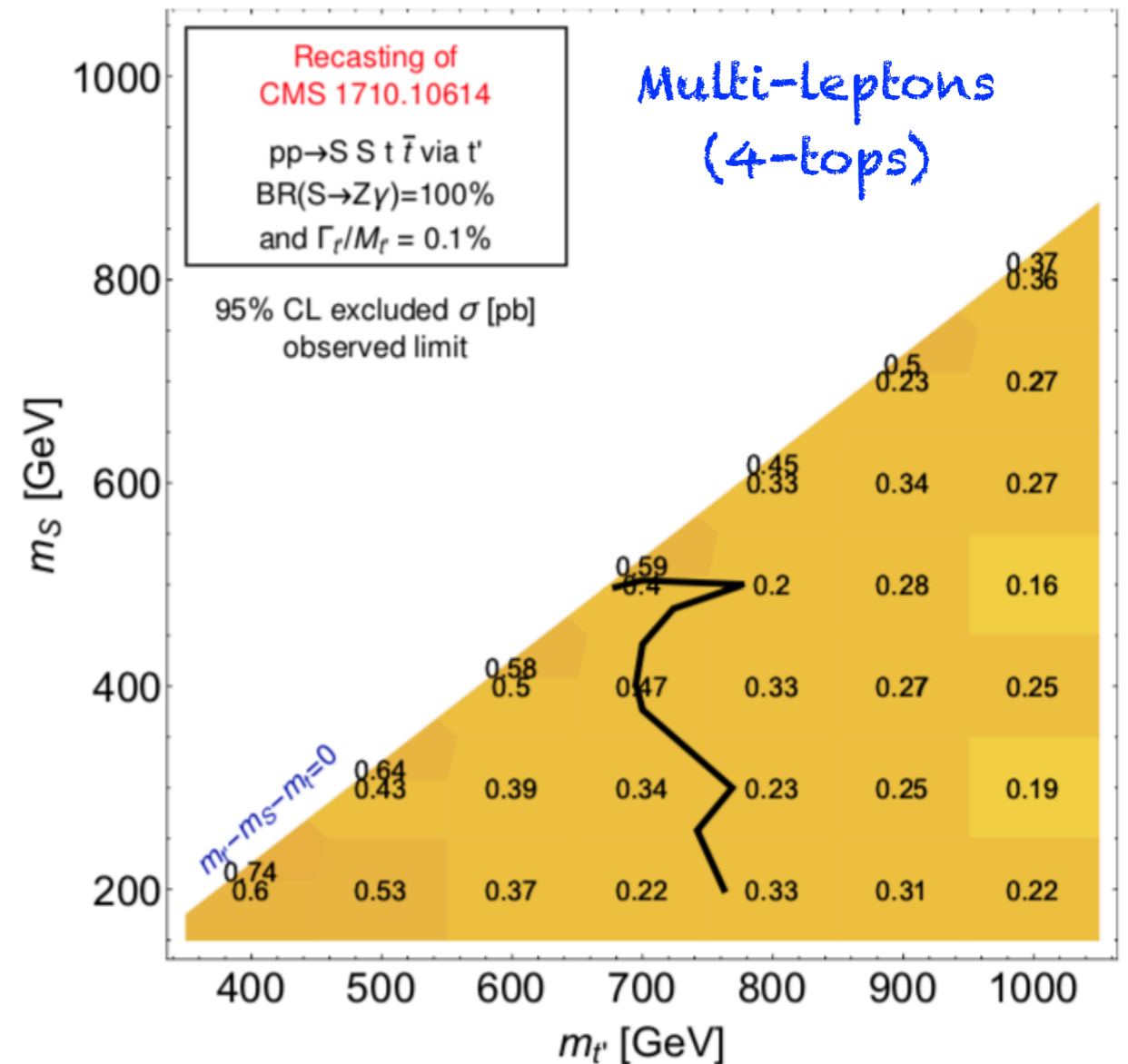
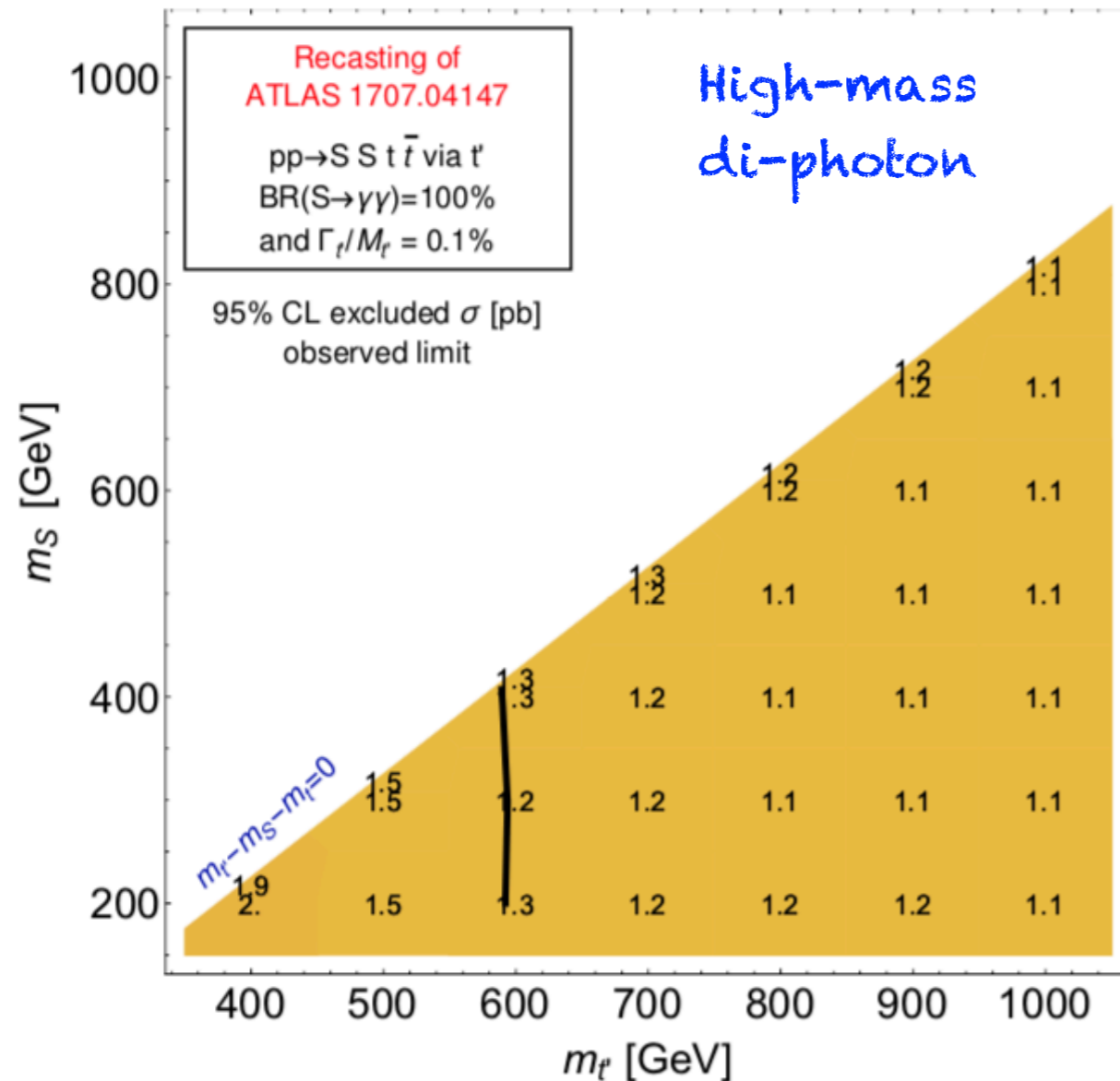
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# $T_{2/3}$ exotic decays

Benbrik et al, 1907.05029

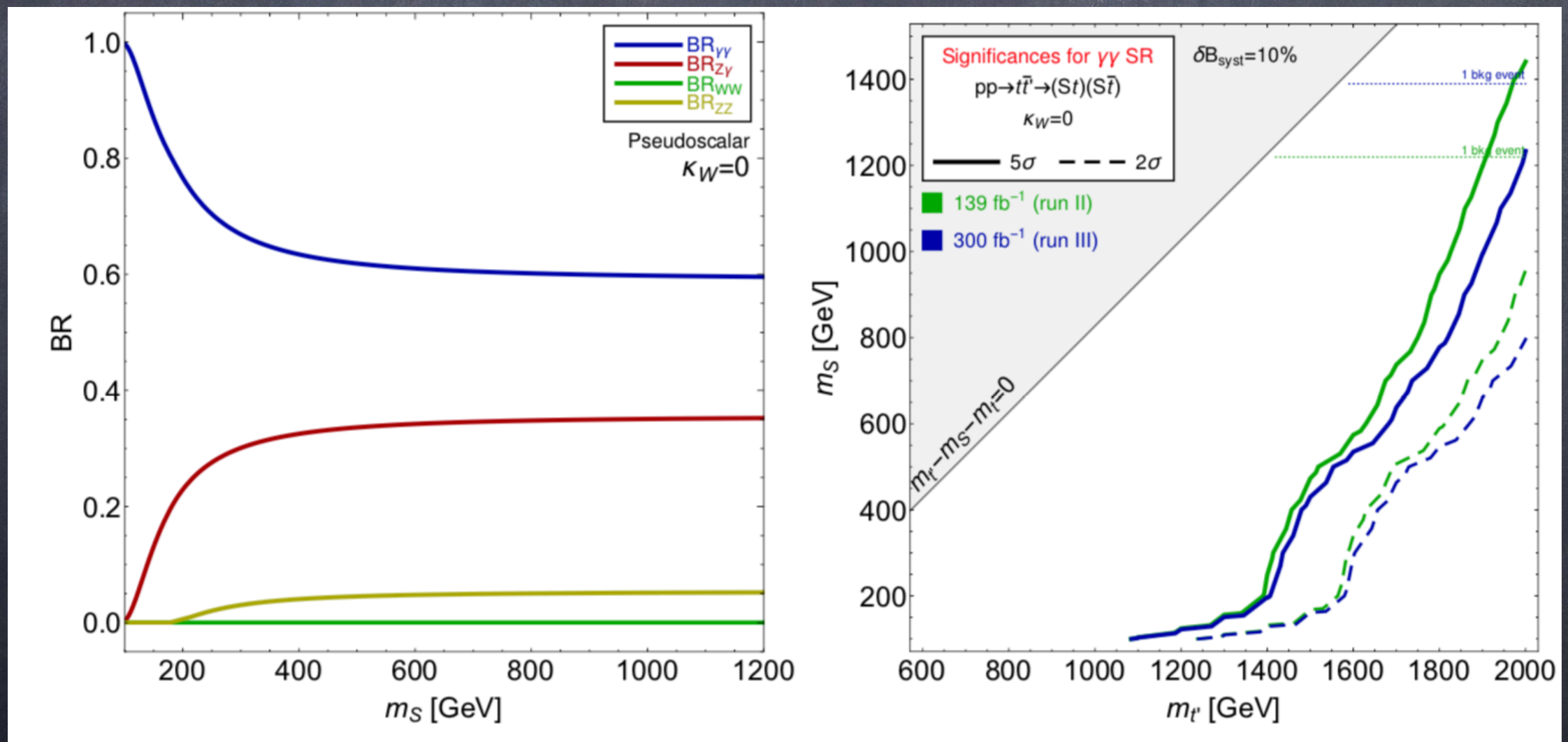
$$T \rightarrow t S, S \rightarrow VV'$$



# $T_{2/3}$ exotic decays

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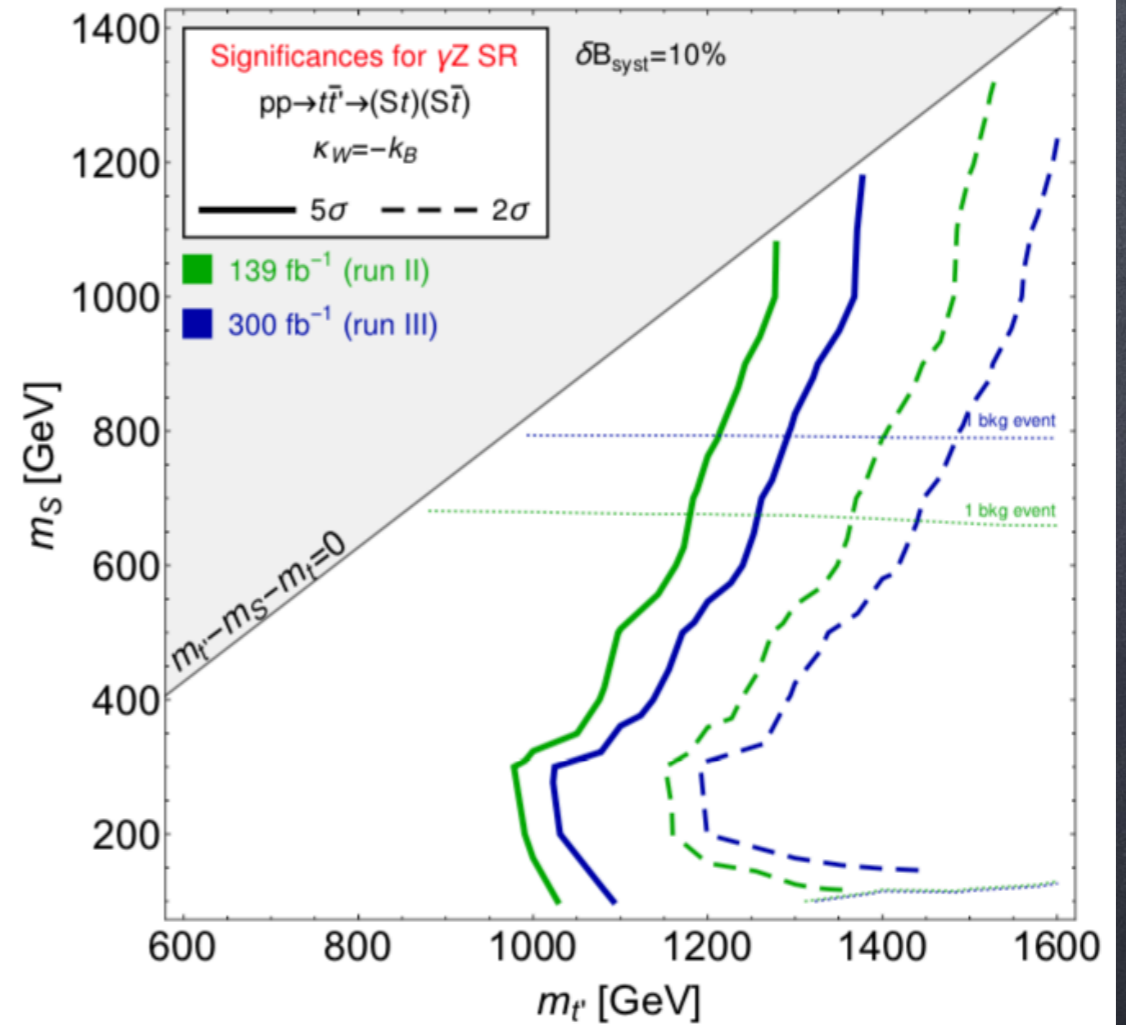
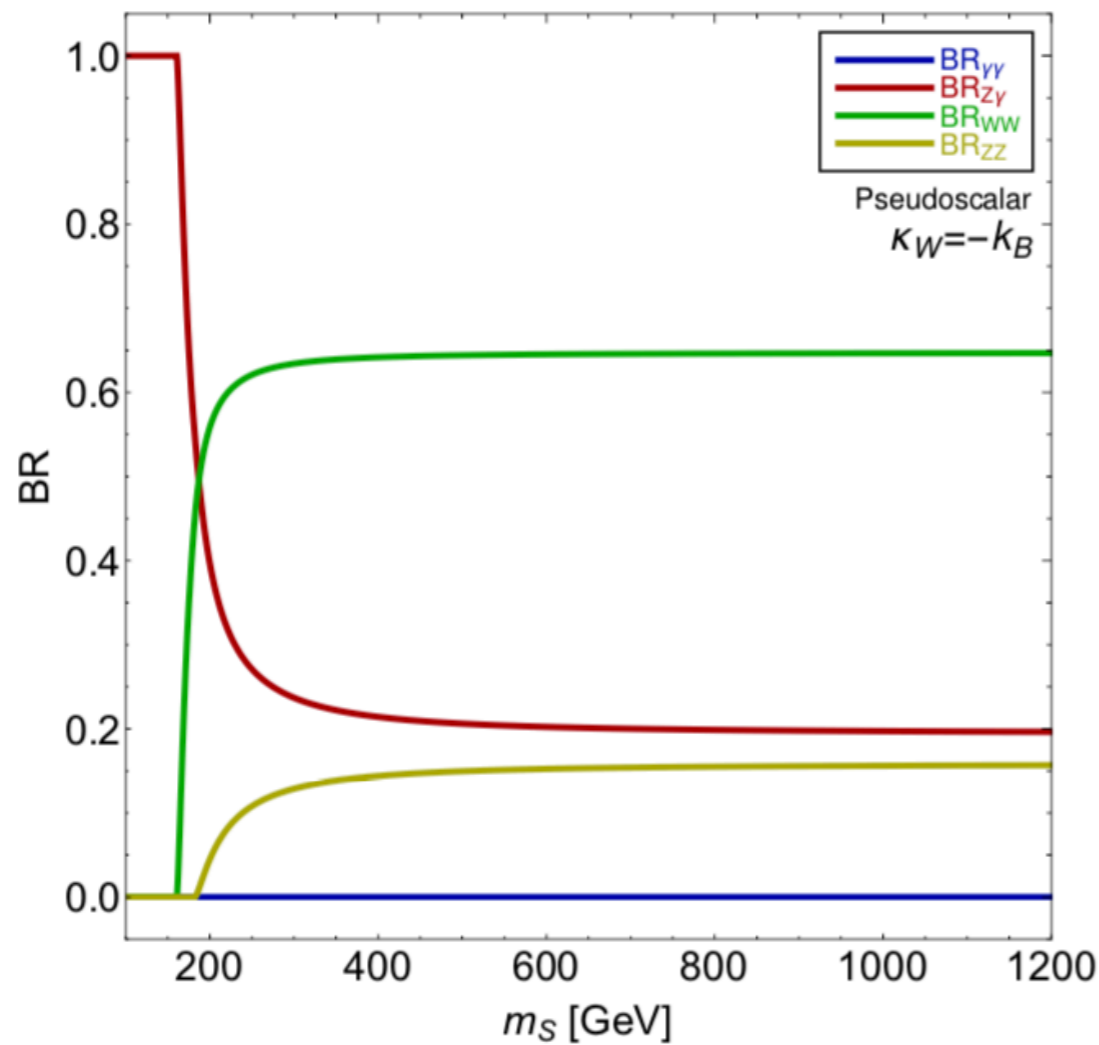
$$T \rightarrow t S, S \rightarrow VV'$$



# $T_{2/3}$ exotic decays

Benbrik et al, 1907.05029

$$T \rightarrow t S, S \rightarrow VV'$$





# $X_{5/3}$ exotic decays

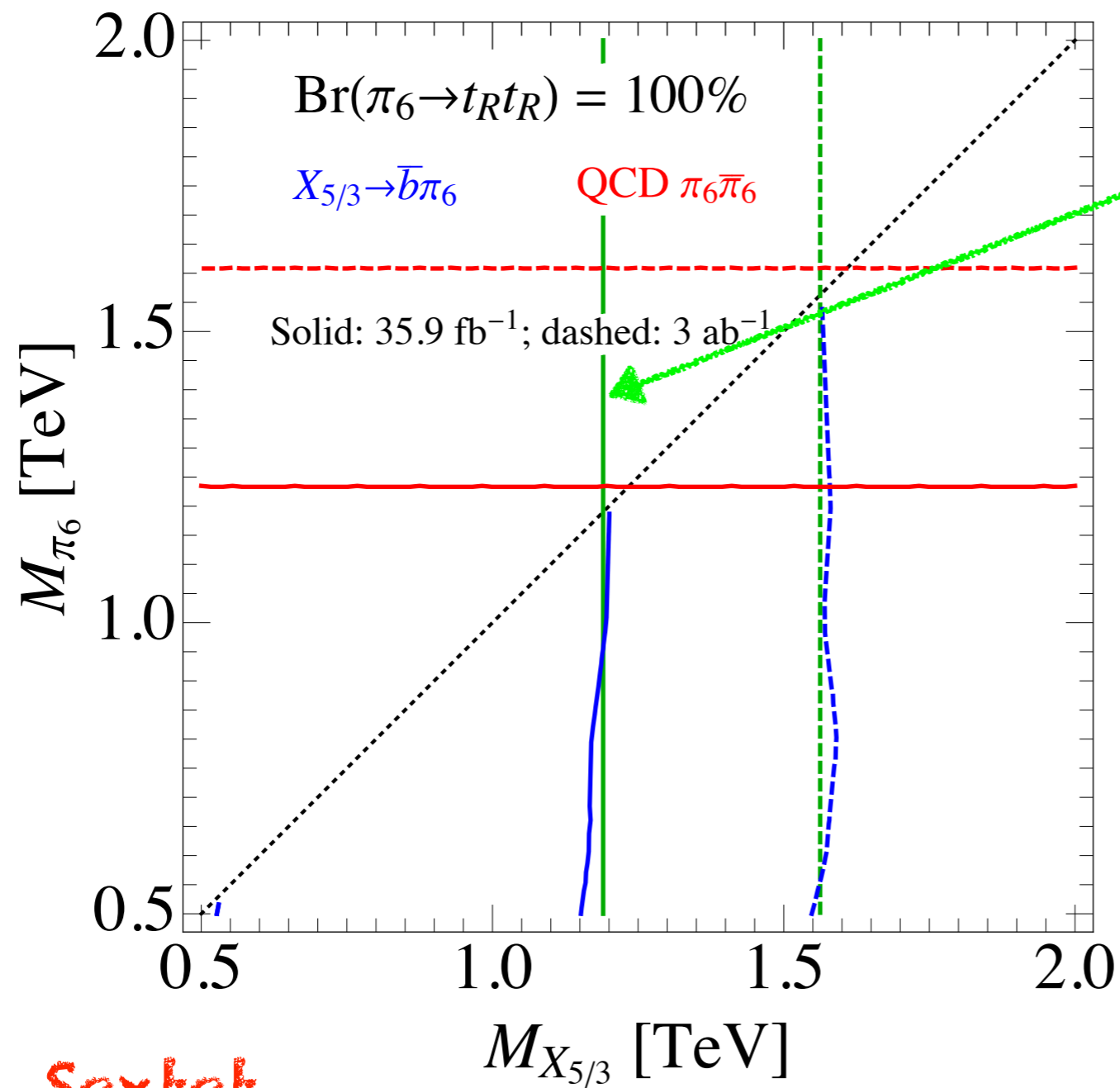
Cascade decays		after $t$ and $\tau$ decay	
$X_{5/3}$	$tW^+$	–	$(bW^+)W^+$
	$\bar{b}\pi_6$	$\bar{b}tt$	$\bar{b}(bW^+)(bW^+)$
	$t\phi^+$	$tW^+\gamma, tW^+Z$	$(bW^+)W^+\gamma, (bW^+)W^+Z$
		$t\bar{b}$	$(bW^+)(bW^+)\bar{b}$
		$t\tau^+\nu$	$(bW^+)(W^{+*}\bar{\nu})\nu$
	$b\phi^{++}$	$bW^+W^+$	$bW^+W^+$
		$bW^{(*)}\phi^+$	$bW^{(*)}W^{(*)} + X$
		$b\tau^+\tau^+$	$b(W^{(*)}\bar{\nu})(W^{(*)}\bar{\nu})$

All final states have SSL pairs.

Decays of the scalars are exclusive (either one or the other)

We recast the SSL CMS search in  
CERN-EP-2018-258

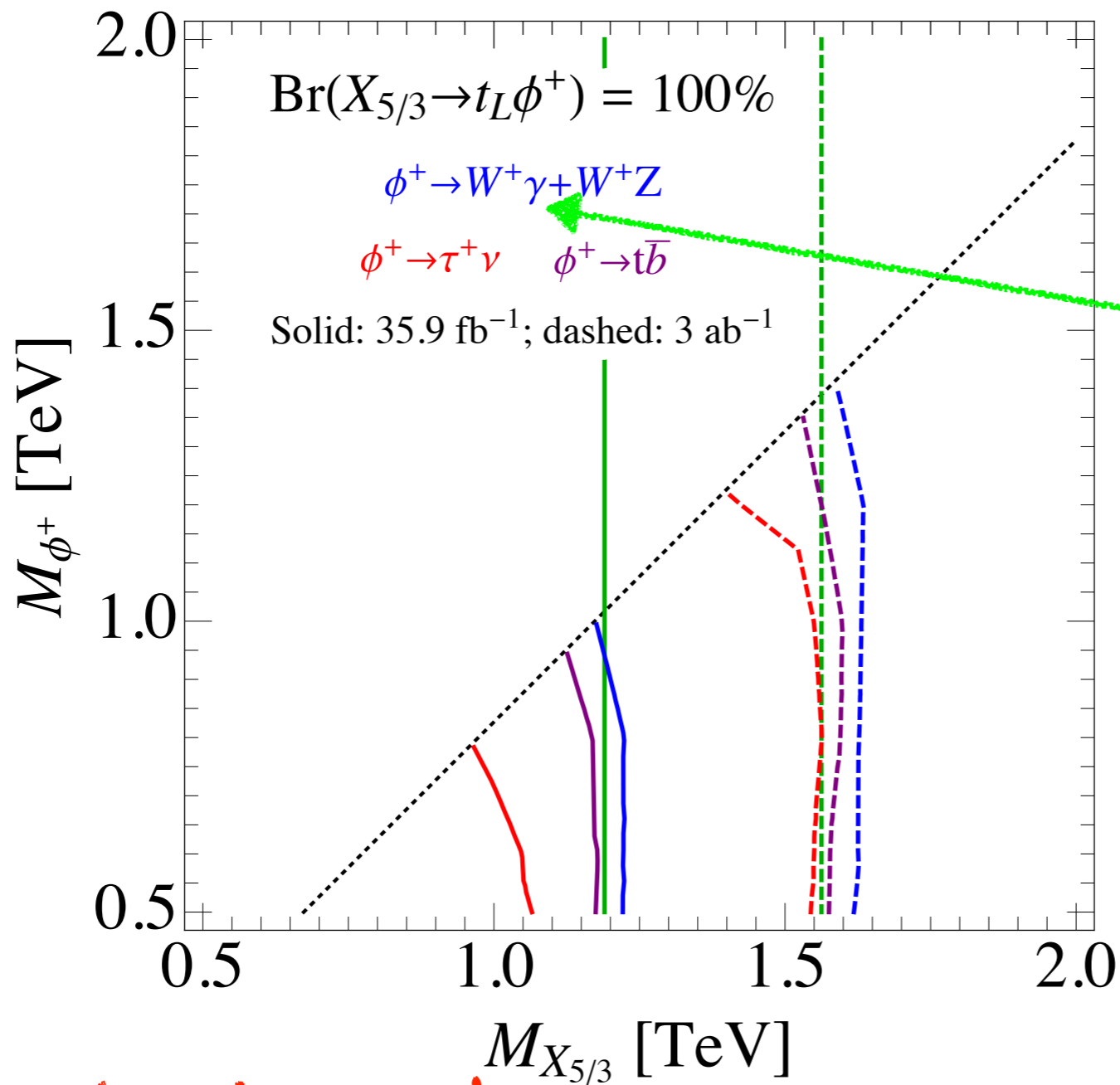
# $X_{5/3}$ exotic decays



Green: bound for standard decay  $X \rightarrow t W$

Sextet

# $X_{5/3}$ exotic decays



The high- $p_T$  photon may be used to tag this decay mode!

Singly charged

# Exotic top partner decays: other channels

- Decays to a Dark Matter (collider stable) scalar.
- Decays to vectors.
- Top partners with exotic QCD charges: octets...

# Outlook

- Light pseudo-scalars are ubiquitous: singlets + colour octet (+ charged ones)
- Partial Compositeness  $\rightarrow$  top partners at colliders
- Exotic decays are the norm!
- Projections and detailed studies for LHC and future colliders missing
- Direct production of the light pseudo-scalars/vectors: See bonus track.

Bonus track

# Model zoology

$G_{\text{HC}}$	$Q$	$\chi$	Restrictions	$-q_\chi$	$Y_\chi$	Non Conformal	Model Name
	Pseudo-Real	Real	SU(4)/Sp(4) $\times$ SU(6)/SO(6)				
$Sp(2N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$2N_{\text{HC}} \leq 36$	$\frac{1}{3(N_{\text{HC}}-1)}$	2/3	$2N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	M8
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 11, 13$	$\frac{8}{3}, \frac{16}{3}$	2/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 11$	M9

Defines  $\tan \zeta$

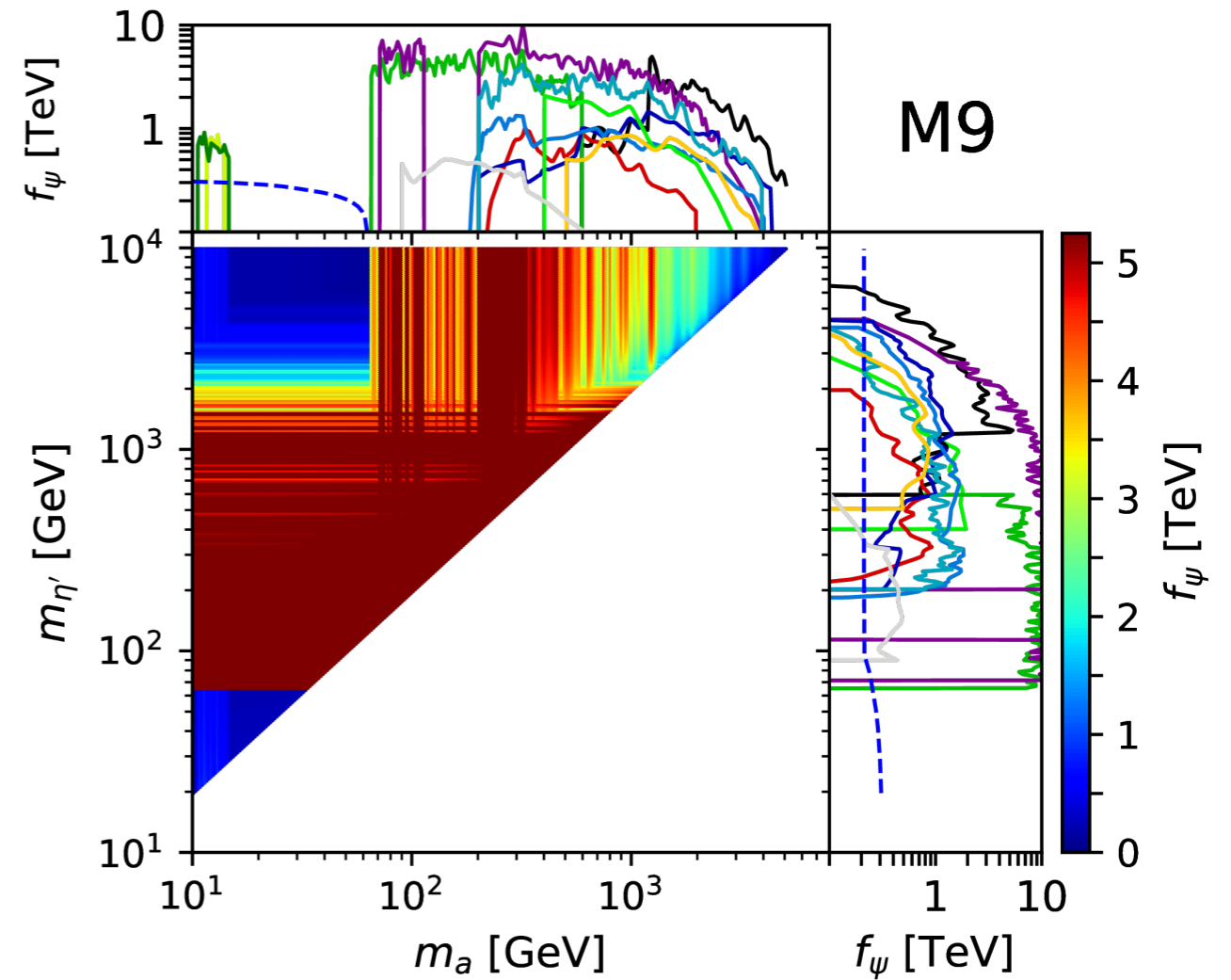
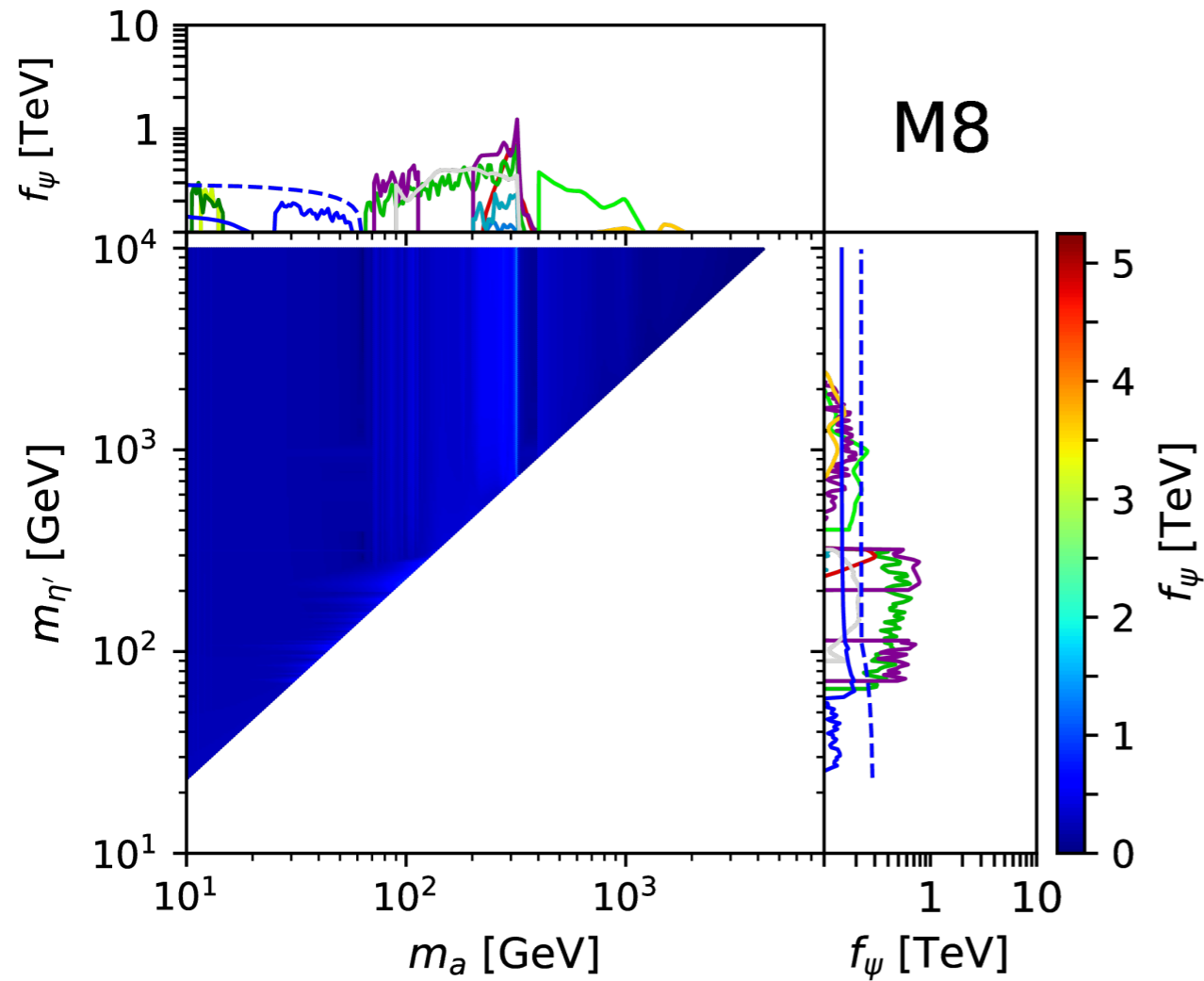
Theory confines!

$$T' = \langle QQ\chi \rangle$$

Note: there is enough baryons to give mass to the top (and bottom) only!

# Singlets @ LHC:

GC, T.Flacke, G.Ferretti,  
H.Serodio  
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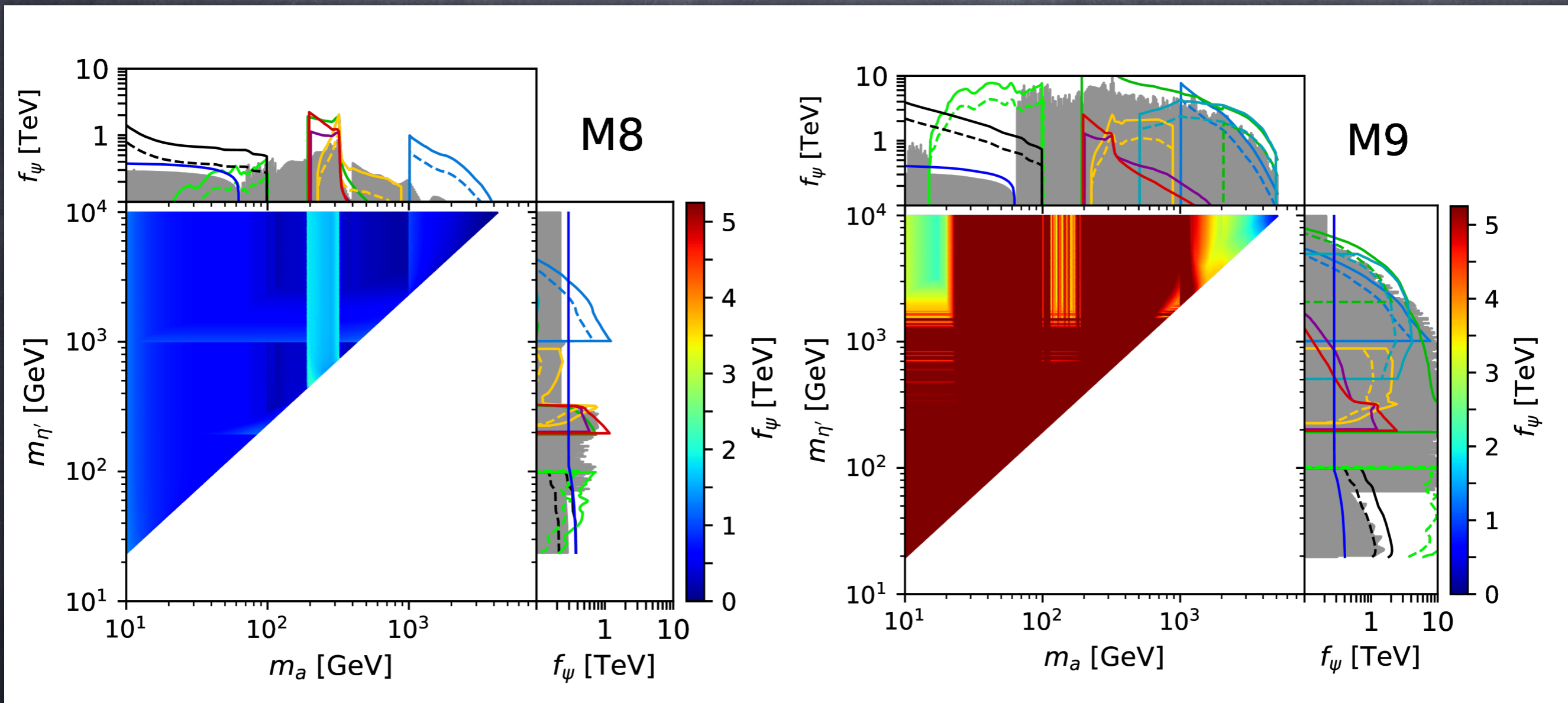


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EFT!

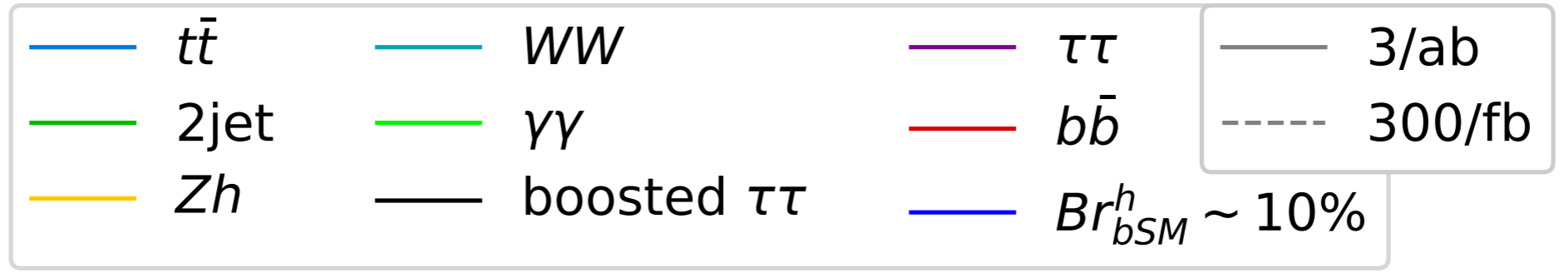


# Singlets @ HL-LHC:

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Same  
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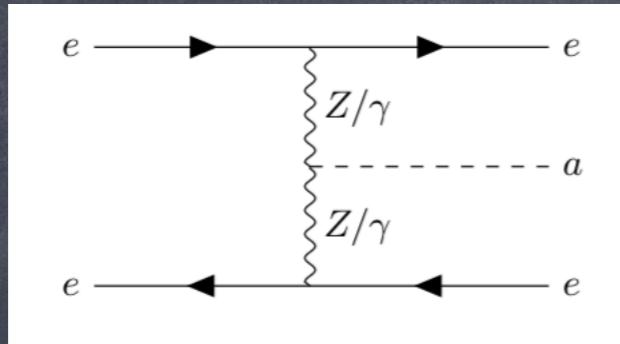


## Singlets @ FCC:

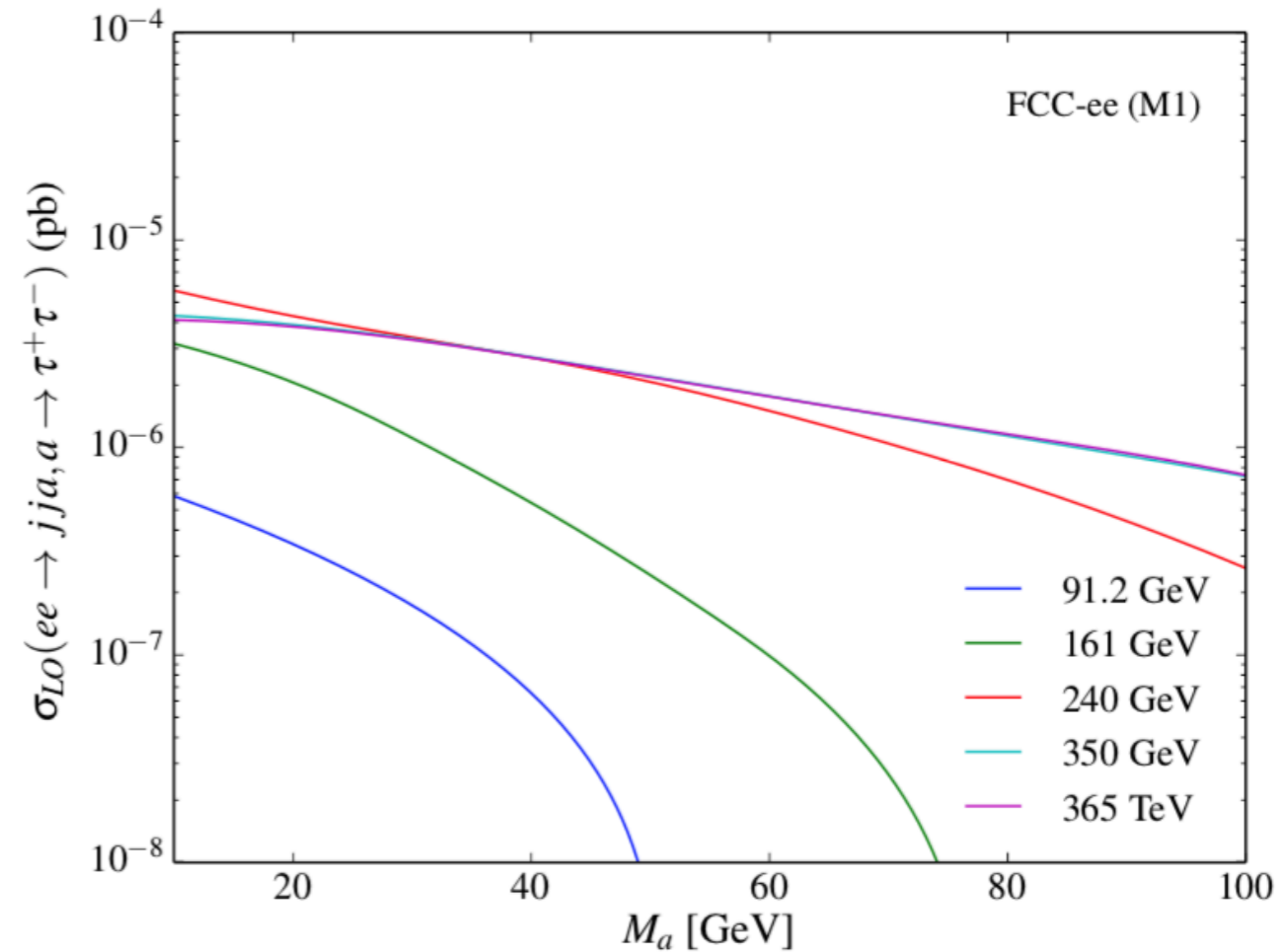
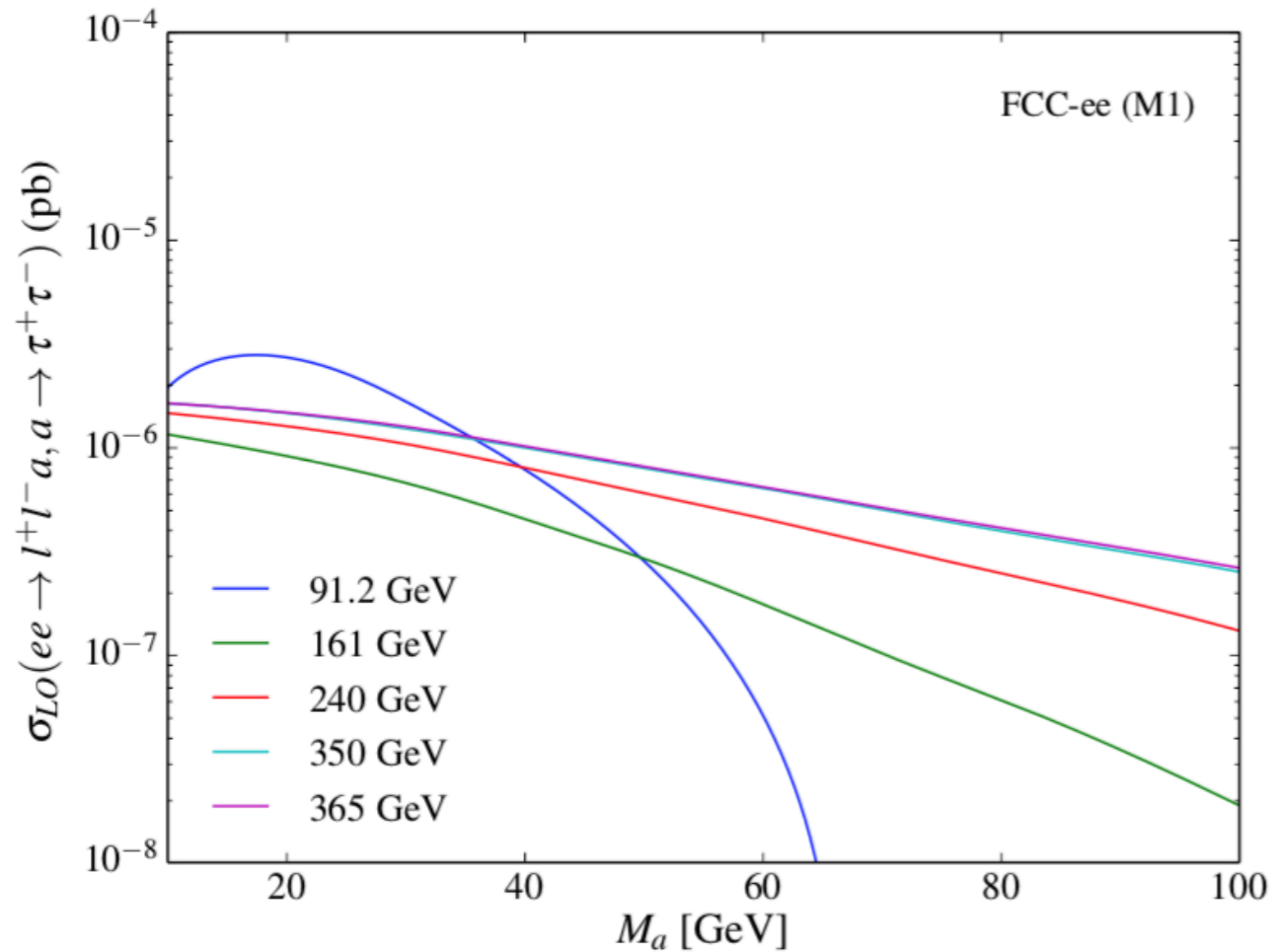
- Hadron option can probe higher mass values
- The open light-mass window (15-65 GeV) ideal for FCC-ee!

# Singlets @ FCC:

A.Cornell, A.Deandrea, B.Fuks, L.Mason  
2004.09825

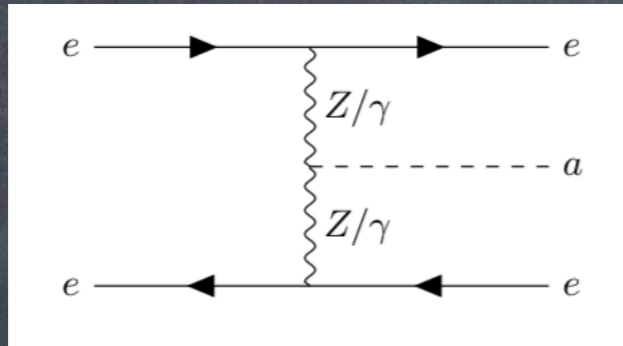


Small cross-sections:  
high luminosity required!



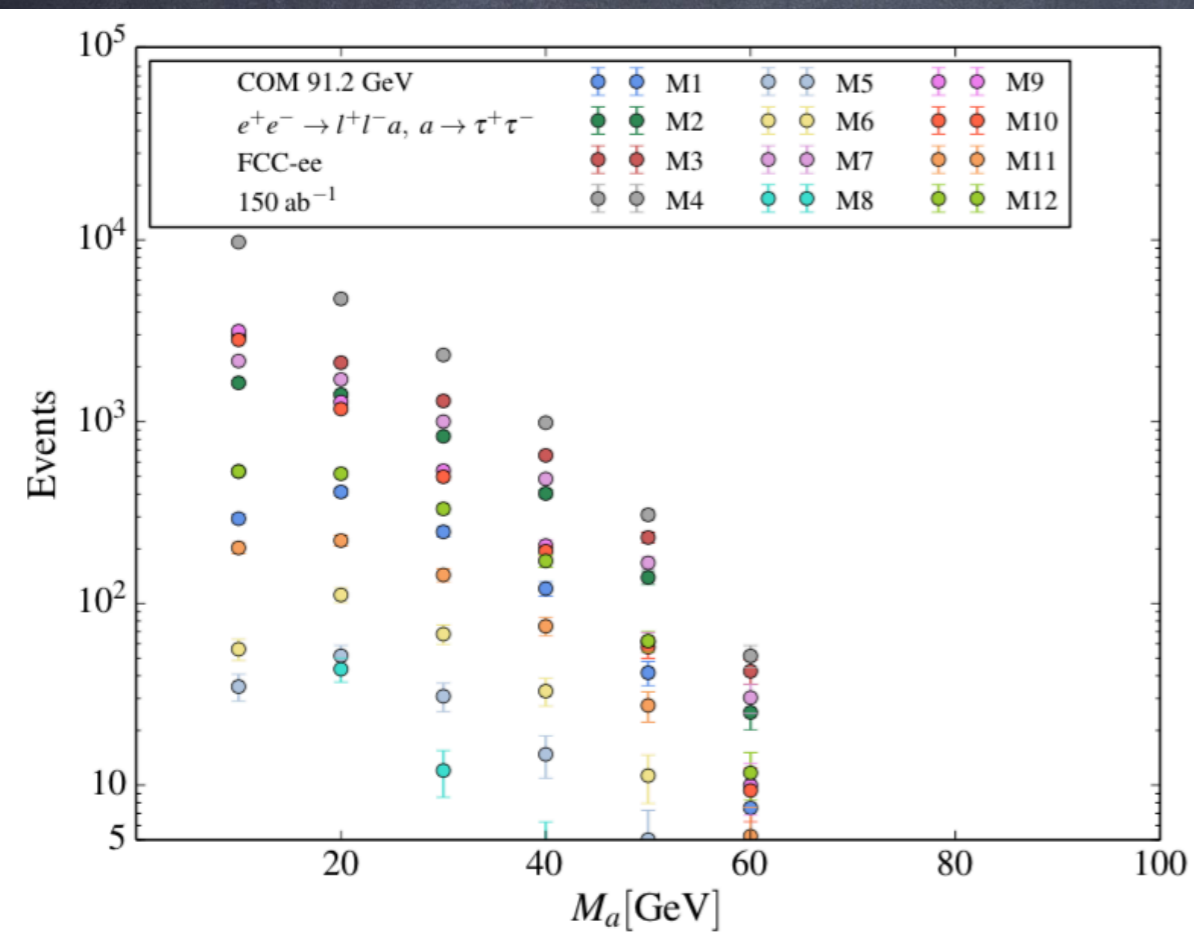
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Proposed search with di-tau decays,  
at the Z-pole.

Machine Learning used to  
improve sensitivity:



Model	$M_a$ [GeV]	Cut and Count		Machine Learning	
		$2\sigma$	$3\sigma$	$2\sigma$	$3\sigma$
M2	10	$2.67 \times 10^8$	$6.00 \times 10^8$	$1.24 \times 10^4$	$2.79 \times 10^4$
	20	$3.55 \times 10^4$	$7.99 \times 10^4$	68.5	154
	30	$7.41 \times 10^4$	$1.67 \times 10^5$	103	232
	40	$2.50 \times 10^5$	$5.62 \times 10^5$	$7.13 \times 10^3$	$1.61 \times 10^4$
	50	$1.50 \times 10^6$	$3.38 \times 10^6$	$4.96 \times 10^4$	$1.12 \times 10^5$
M4	10	$3.55 \times 10^8$	$7.99 \times 10^8$	446	$1.00 \times 10^3$
	20	$3.40 \times 10^3$	$7.65 \times 10^3$	74.9	169
	30	$8.88 \times 10^3$	$2.00 \times 10^4$	210	473
	40	$4.17 \times 10^4$	$9.38 \times 10^4$	$2.06 \times 10^3$	$4.63 \times 10^3$
	50	$3.75 \times 10^5$	$8.44 \times 10^5$	$2.67 \times 10^4$	$6.00 \times 10^4$

Required integrated Luminosity  
in  $1/\text{ab}$

# Colour octet

$$\Phi \rightarrow gg, g\gamma, gZ, (t\bar{t})$$

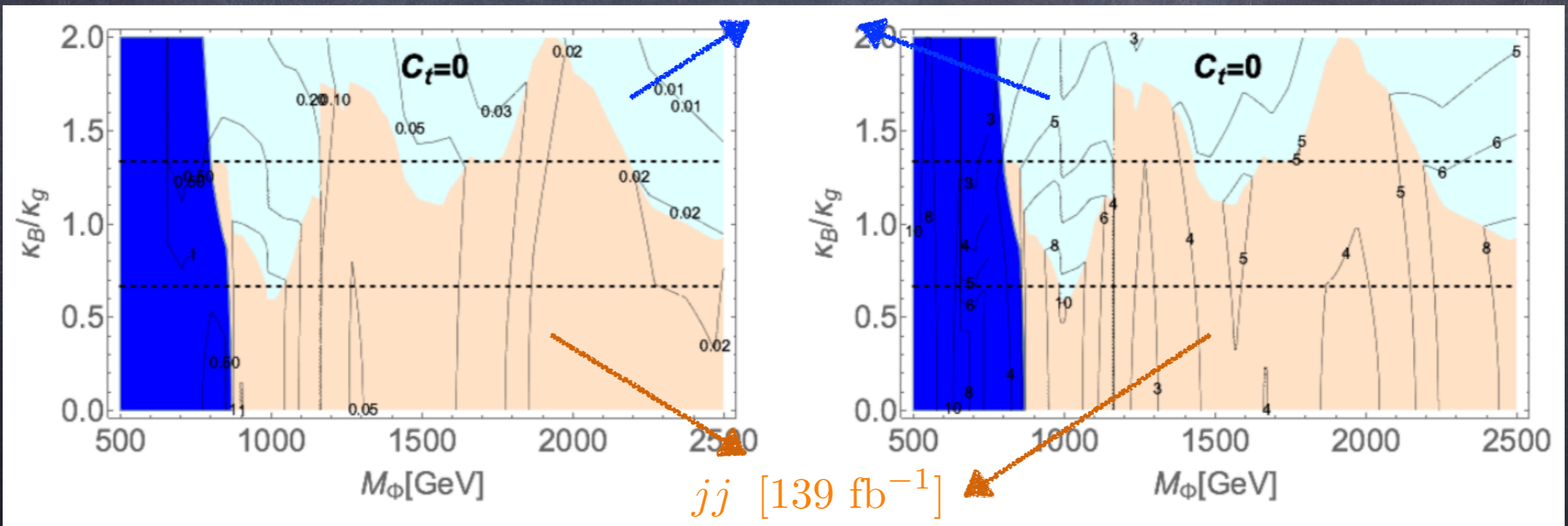
	$\frac{\text{BR}(\Phi \rightarrow g\gamma)}{\text{BR}(\Phi \rightarrow gg)}$	$\frac{\text{BR}(\Phi \rightarrow gZ)}{\text{BR}(\Phi \rightarrow gg)}$
$Y_\chi = 1/3$	0.048	0.014
$Y_\chi = 2/3$	0.19	0.058

Pair-production  
via QCD interactions

Single-production  
via gluon-fusion

GC, A.Deandrea, T.Flacke, A.Iyer  
2002.01474

$j\gamma$  [ $36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ]



$jj$  [ $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ]

Decays with photons are relevant!

# Colour octet @ HL-LHC

Can we use photons  
in pair-production?

GC, A.Deandrea, T.Flacke, A.Iyer  
2002.01474

- Strategy: same baseline as pair-dijet search, replacing one or two  $j$  with a photon

$L = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$

Fake photon added:

$$\epsilon_{j \rightarrow \gamma} = 10^{-4}$$

$$Z = \frac{S}{\sqrt{B}}$$

HL-LHC can probe  
up to 1.2 TeV

	BP1 (900,74.2)		BP3 (1100,16.7)	
	$Y_\chi = 1/3$	$Y_\chi = 2/3$	$Y_\chi = 1/3$	$Y_\chi = 2/3$
$Z_{gggg}$	10.32	7.48	4.8	3.54
$Z_{ggg\gamma}$	5.02	13.03	1.09	3.06
$\delta_{ggg\gamma}$	<b>0.48</b>	<b>1.74</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>0.86</b>
$Z_{gg\gamma\gamma}$	1.91	21.08	0.47	5.31
$\delta_{gg\gamma\gamma}$	<b>0.18</b>	<b>2.81</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>1.5</b>
	BP2 (1000,34.4)		BP4 (1200,8.3)	
	$Y_\chi = 1/3$	$Y_\chi = 2/3$	$Y_\chi = 1/3$	$Y_\chi = 2/3$
$Z_{gggg}$	7.5	5.45	2.6	1.91
$Z_{ggg\gamma}$	2.19	6.07	0.63	1.77
$\delta_{ggg\gamma}$	<b>0.29</b>	<b>1.11</b>	<b>0.24</b>	<b>0.92</b>
$Z_{gg\gamma\gamma}$	0.98	10.97	0.25	2.83
$\delta_{gg\gamma\gamma}$	<b>0.13</b>	<b>2.01</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>1.48</b>

# Colour octet @ FCC-hh

Can we use photons  
in pair-production?

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2002.01474

- Strategy: same baseline as pair-dijet search, replacing one or two  $j$  with a photon

Fake photon added:

$$L = 3 \text{ ab}^{-1}$$

$$\epsilon_{j \rightarrow \gamma} = 10^{-4}$$

$$Z = \frac{S}{\sqrt{B}}$$

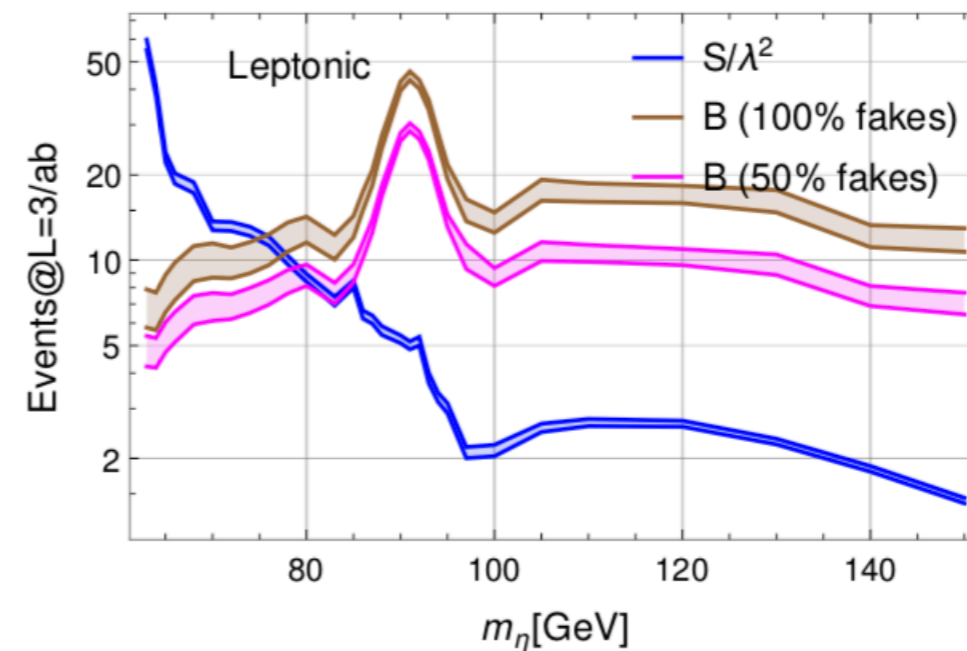
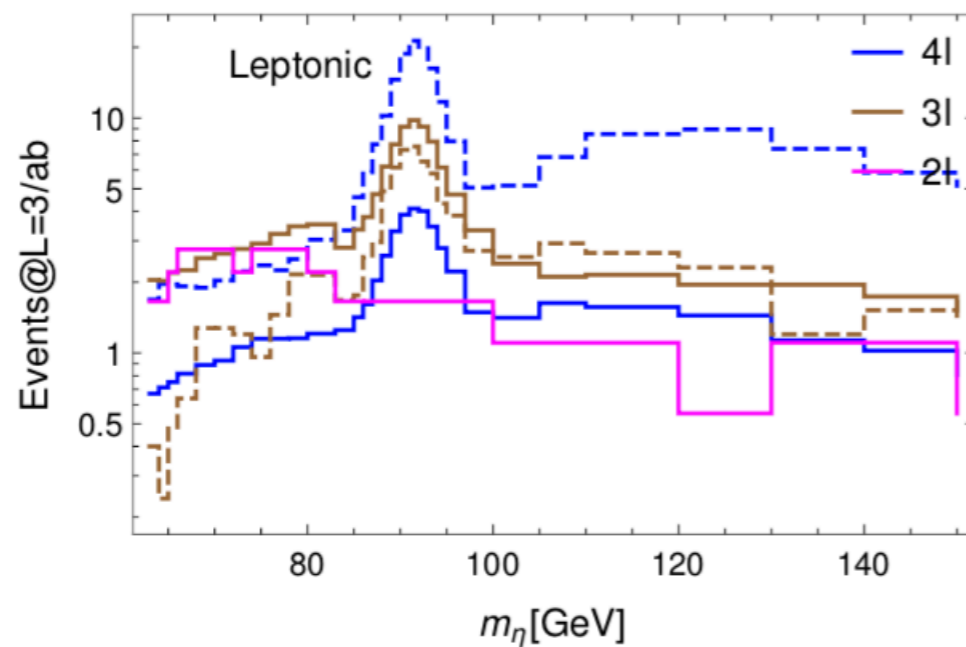
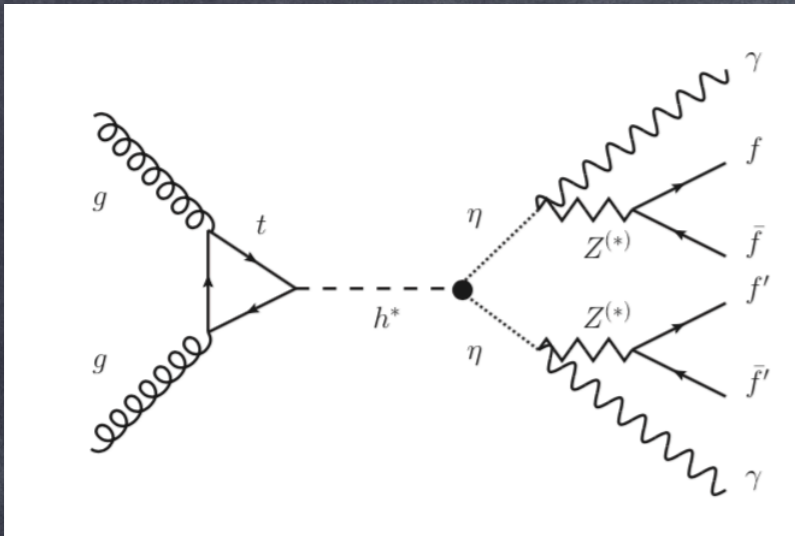
	BP1 (2.5,270)		BP2 (3,100)	
	$Y_\chi = 1/3$	$Y_\chi = 2/3$	$Y_\chi = 1/3$	$Y_\chi = 2/3$
$Z_{ggg\gamma}$	11.7	30.8	4.98	13.6
$Z_{gg\gamma\gamma}$	5.47	58.2	2.87	31.1

FCC-hh can reach in the multi-TeV range!

# Light pseudo-scalars via the Higgs

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2005.13578

$\lambda \sim h\eta\eta$  coupling



**Figure 4.** *Left:* Number of events for HL-LHC for the dominant background processes (2.5) after selections (3.1) and (3.2). The solid lines refer to samples with two ME photons ( $n_\gamma = 2$ ) and the dashed lines to 1 ME photon ( $n_\gamma = 1$ ). The dominant background for low  $m_\eta$  are  $3\ell 2\gamma$  and  $2\ell 2\gamma$  and for high values of  $m_\eta$  is  $4\ell 1\gamma$  with a fake photon typically originating from an electron. *Right:* Total background (B) and signal (S) rates after selection cuts. The magenta curve is obtained with the reduction of 50% in fake photon rates. The bands indicates MC statistical error.



# Sigma-assisted misalignment

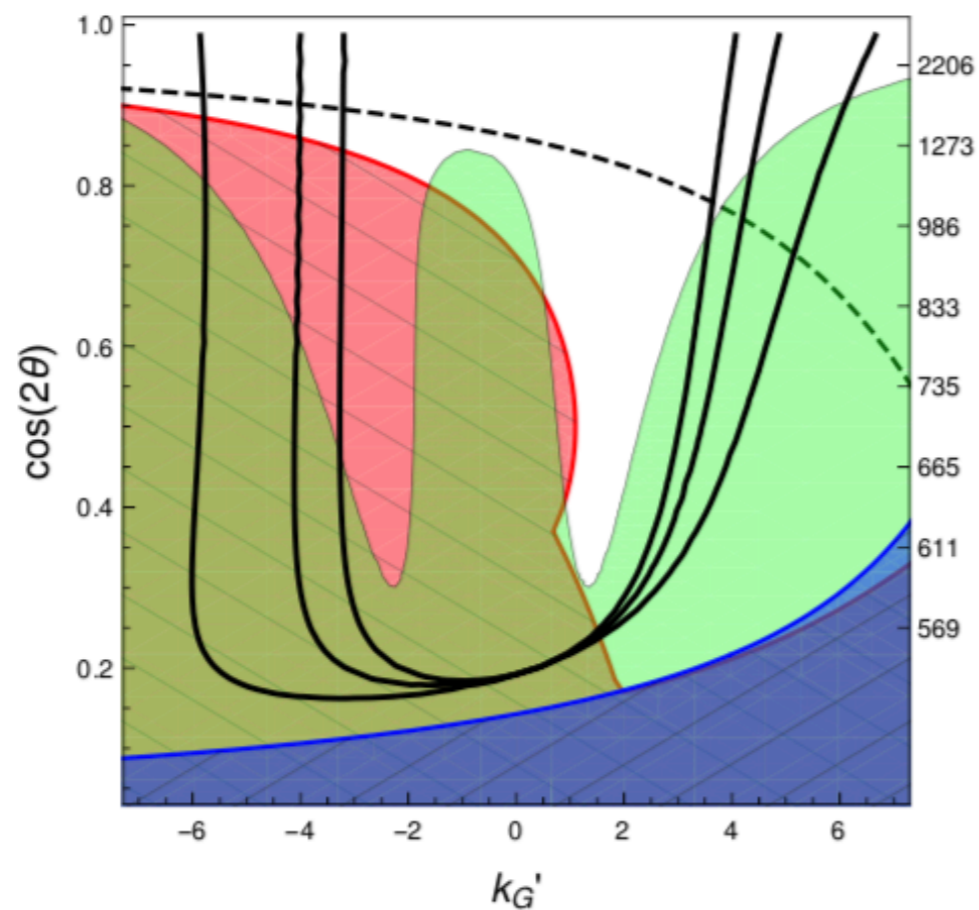
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- Growing lattice evidence for light  $0^{++}$  state in models with walking window
- The sigma mixes with the Higgs: universal effects for all cosets!

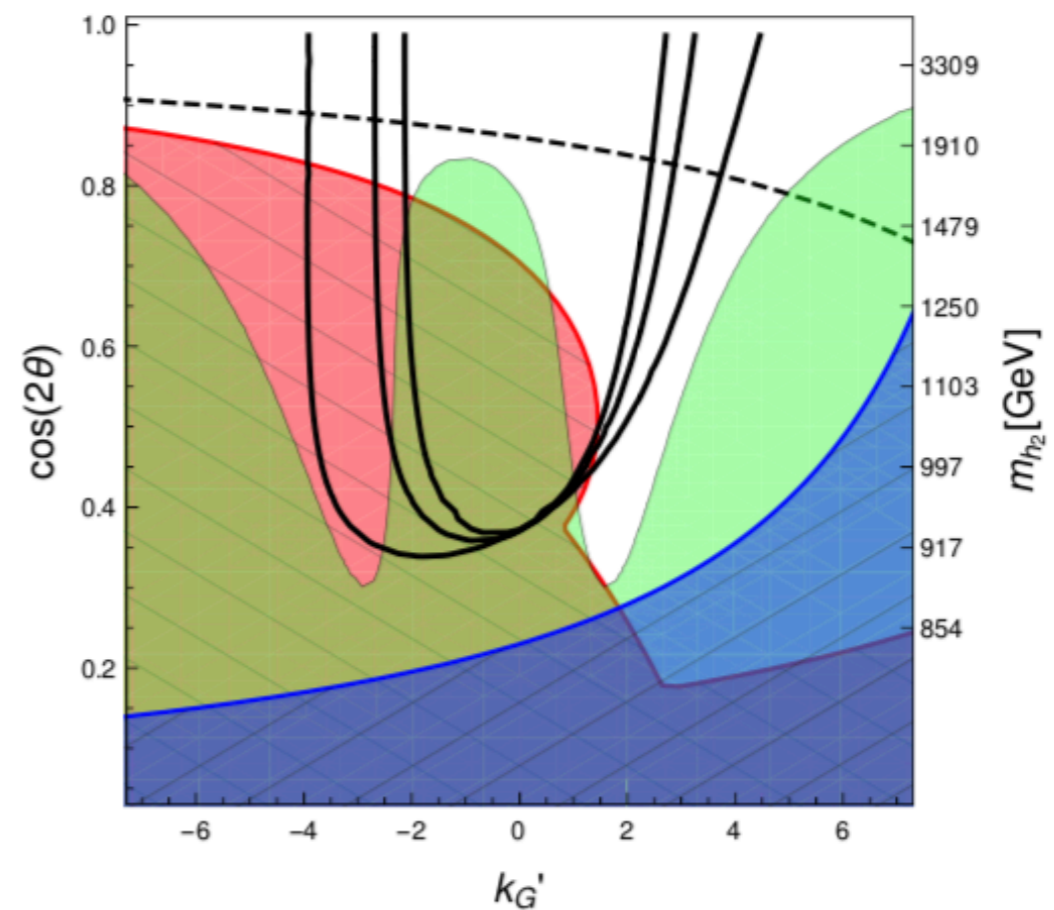
# Sigma-assisted misalignment

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- Growing lattice evidence for light  $0^{++}$  state in models with walking window (see later)



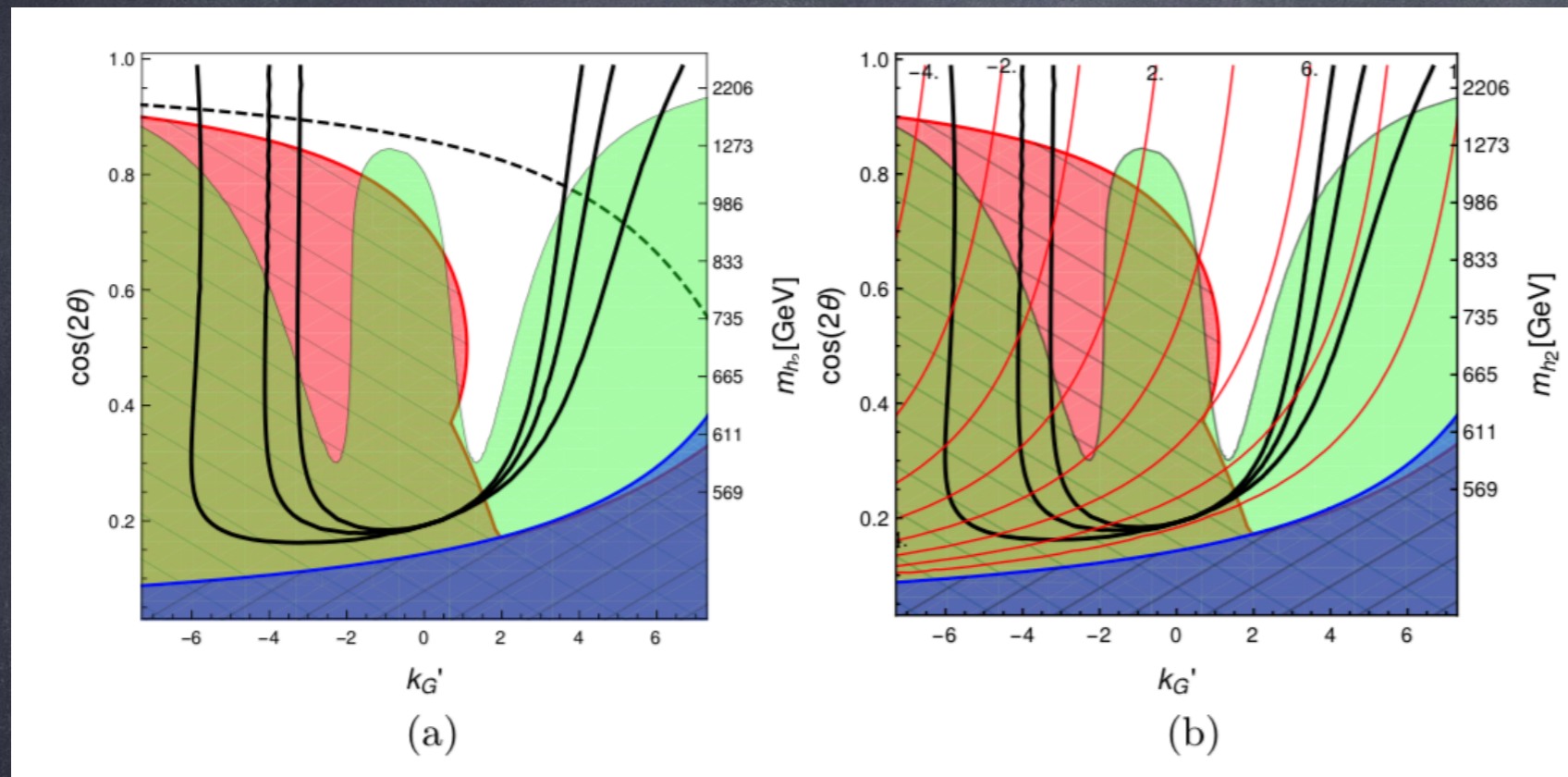
(a)



(b)

# Sigma-assisted misalignment

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Low tuning  
predicts:

$$m_{h_2} < 1 \text{ TeV}$$

$$k'_G \approx 1.5 \div 2$$

Large width:

$$h_2 \rightarrow ZZ$$

$$k'_t \approx 5 \div 7$$