

# $W'$ Searches at the LHC

## – Signal & Interferences

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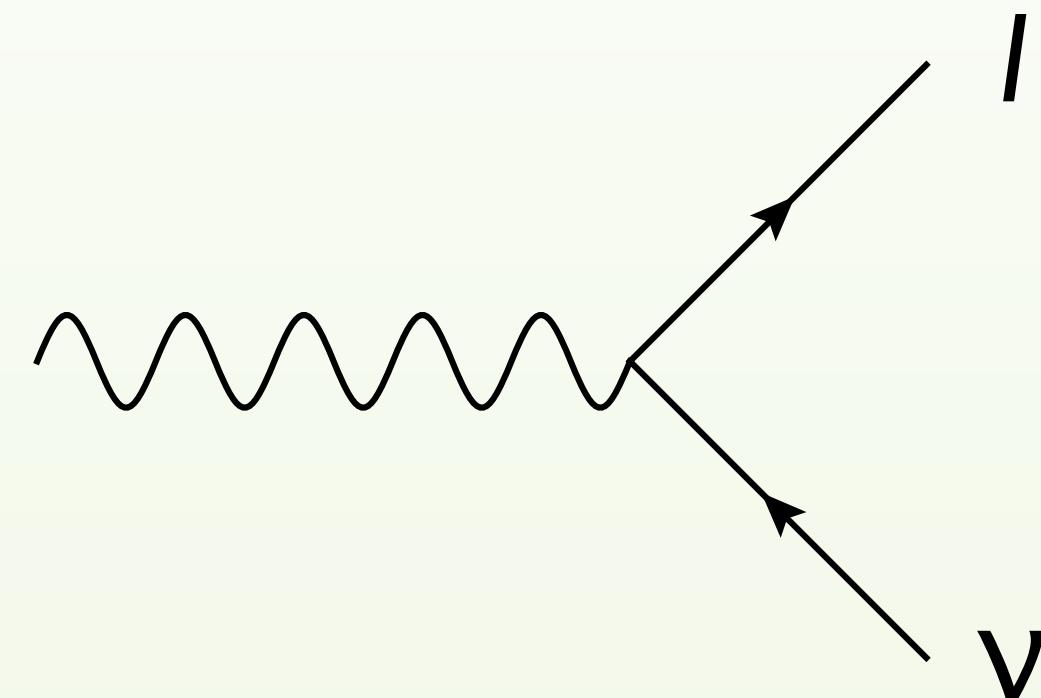
## – Signal & Interferences

- Overview of 4-site model  
(Higgsless, Breaking EWS Strongly)
- Parameters of the model and constraints
- What could be seen at LHC
- Importance of interference term for  $W'$  exclusion limits (i.e. correct definition of “signal”)

# What is a $W'$ ?

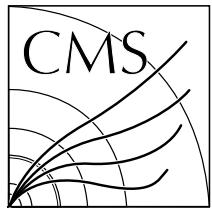
- Heavy twin to Standard Model  $W^\pm$

(i.e. charged vector  
boson with couplings  
analogous to  $W$ )



- Theory expectations:  $L-R$  symmetric,  
Extra-dimensions, Technicolour, Higgsless

# CMS search for $W'$



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Search for a heavy gauge boson  $W'$  in the final state with an electron and large missing transverse energy in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV

The CMS Collaboration\*

## Abstract

A search for a heavy gauge boson  $W'$  has been conducted by the CMS experiment at the LHC in the decay channel with an electron and large transverse energy imbalance  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , using proton-proton collision data corresponding to an integrated luminosity of  $36 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ . No excess above standard model expectations is seen in the transverse mass distribution of the electron- $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  system. Assuming standard-model-like couplings and decay branching fractions, a  $W'$  boson with a mass less than  $1.36 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  is excluded at 95% confidence level.

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- $36 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  data
- SM-like  $W'$  (1989):  
*Altarelli et al.*  
→ large coupling,  
small width

# The Higgs sector – from fancy rewriting to strong dynamics

$$\mathcal{L}_H = |D_\mu \Phi|^2 - \frac{m_H^2}{2v^2} \left( |\Phi|^2 - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{4} \text{Tr} \left( (D_\mu \Sigma) (D_\mu \Sigma)^\dagger \right) \\ &\quad - \frac{m_H^2}{8v^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} (\Sigma \Sigma^\dagger) - v^2 \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\Sigma = \sqrt{2} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0 & -\phi_-^* \\ \phi_- & \phi_0^* \end{pmatrix}$$

# The Higgs sector – pion $\Sigma$ -model

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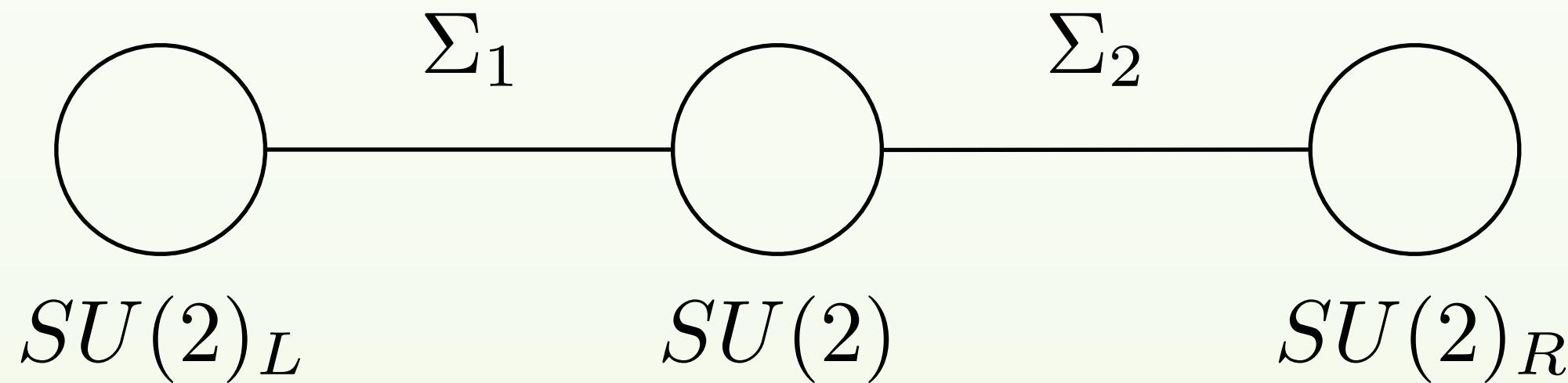
- $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$  symmetry:  $\Sigma \rightarrow g_L \Sigma g_R^\dagger$   
(SM: gauging  $SU(2)_L$  and  $\tau^3$  of  $SU(2)_R$ )
- $\Sigma$  unitary in limit  $m_H \rightarrow \infty$  ( $\Sigma \Sigma^\dagger = 2 |\Phi|^2 \mathbb{1}$ )
- Higgs VEV plays role of  $f_\pi$

# Effective description of strong sector?

- Technicolour (1979): *Susskind, Weinberg, ...*
- Recent developments (past decade):  
*Sannino, Chivukula, Csáki, Grojean, ...*
- $W'$  in the picture?
  - Hidden Local Symmetry ( $\sim 1985$ ):  
*Bando, Kugo, Yamawaki, ... ( $\rho$ -meson)*
  - Casalbuoni, De Curtis, Dominici, ... (BESS-model)*

# Hidden Local Symmetry as Moose diagram

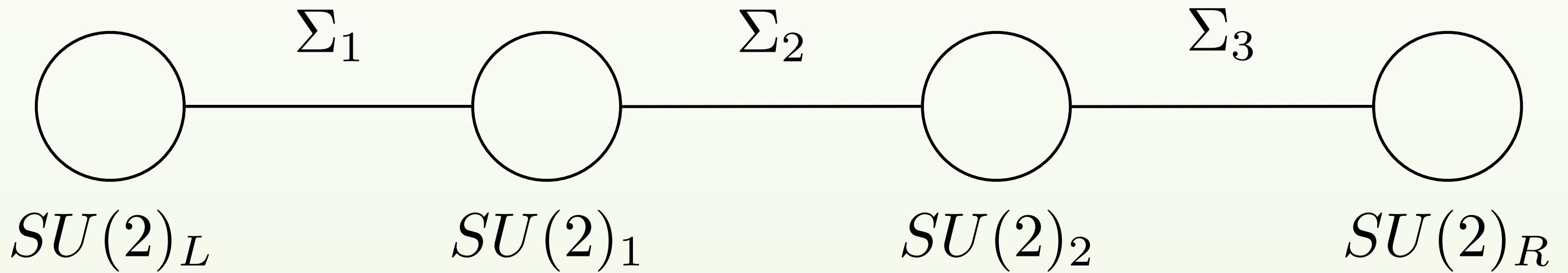
$$\Sigma = \Sigma_1 \cdot \Sigma_2$$



- Extra heavy vector resonance  
( $\rho$ , or degenerate  $W^\pm$ - $Z$ )
- Minimal BESS: excluded unless fermiophobic
- Studied by *Belyaev, Eboli, He, Matchev, Perelstein, ...*

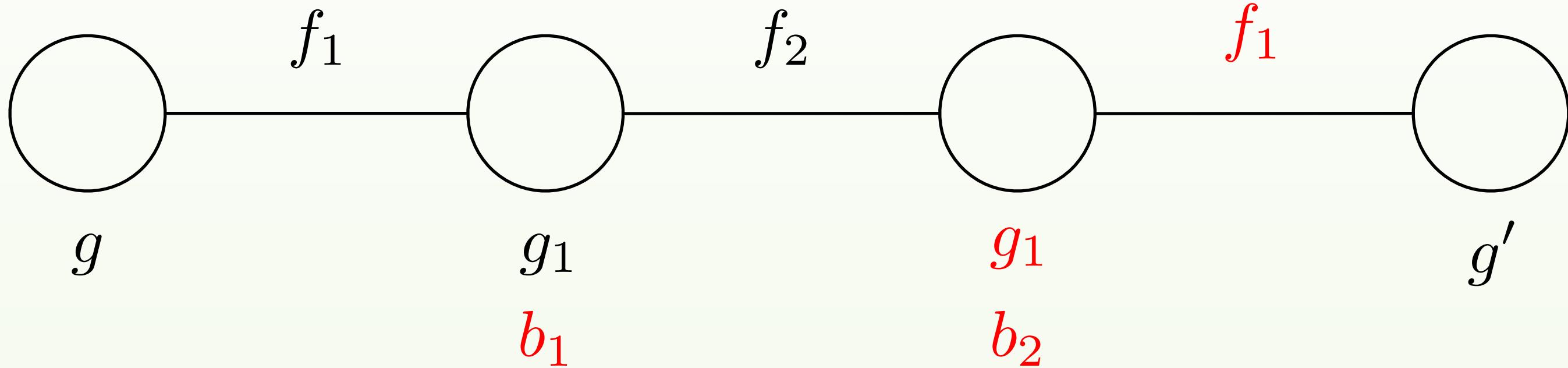
# 4-site model (Higgsless)

$$\Sigma = \Sigma_1 \cdot \Sigma_2 \cdot \Sigma_3$$



- Infinite number of “sites”
  - Reconstruct extra-dimension (2001):  
*Arkani-Hamed, Georgi, ...*
- Capture essential features even with few sites

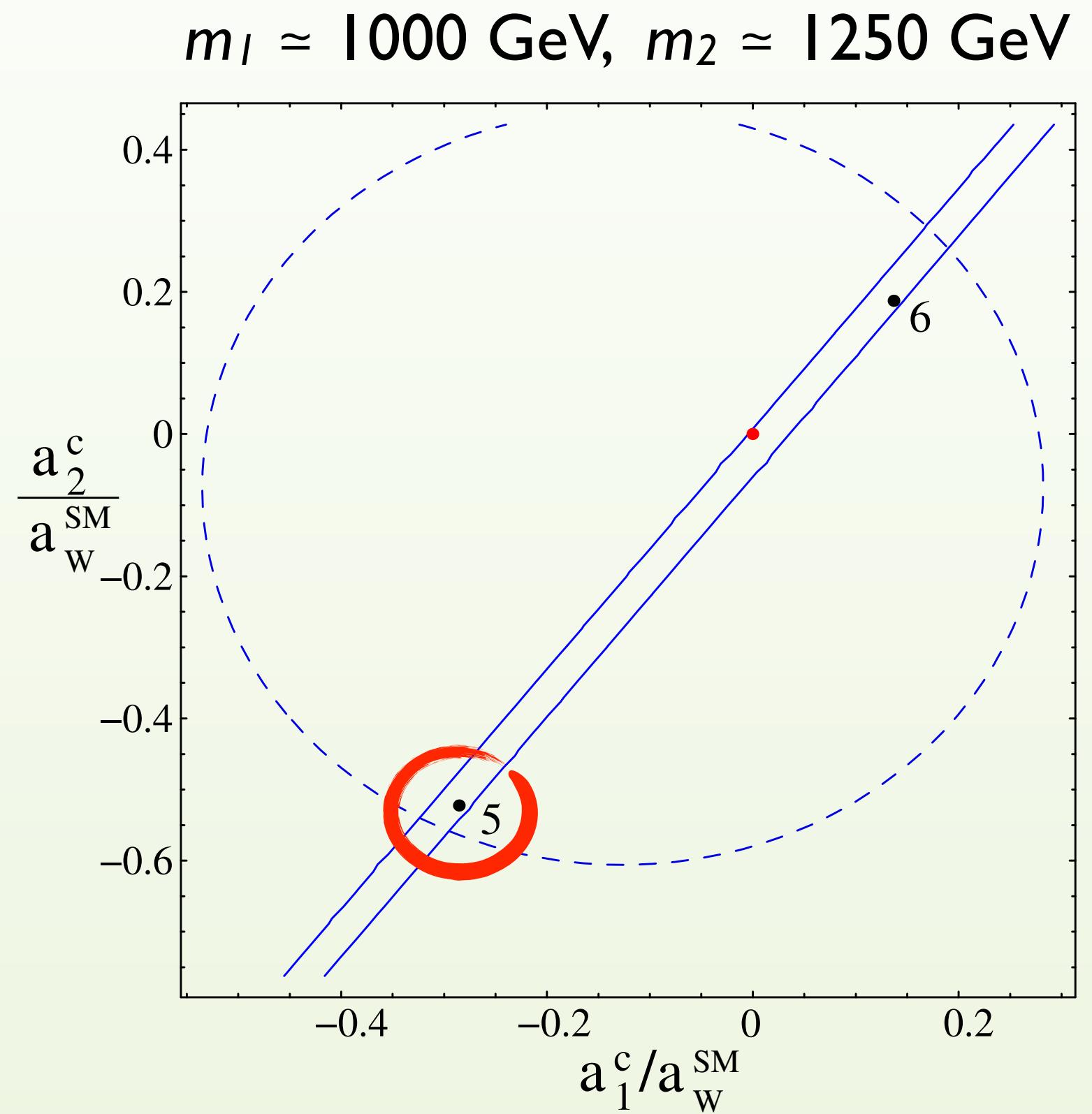
# Parameters



- $L \leftrightarrow R$  symmetry for simplicity
- Direct ( $L$ -handed) fermion couplings
- 7 parameters (4 more than SM)
  - Fix 3 with  $e$ ,  $G_F$  and  $m_Z$
- 4 independent parameters (masses, couplings)

# Electroweak precision tests

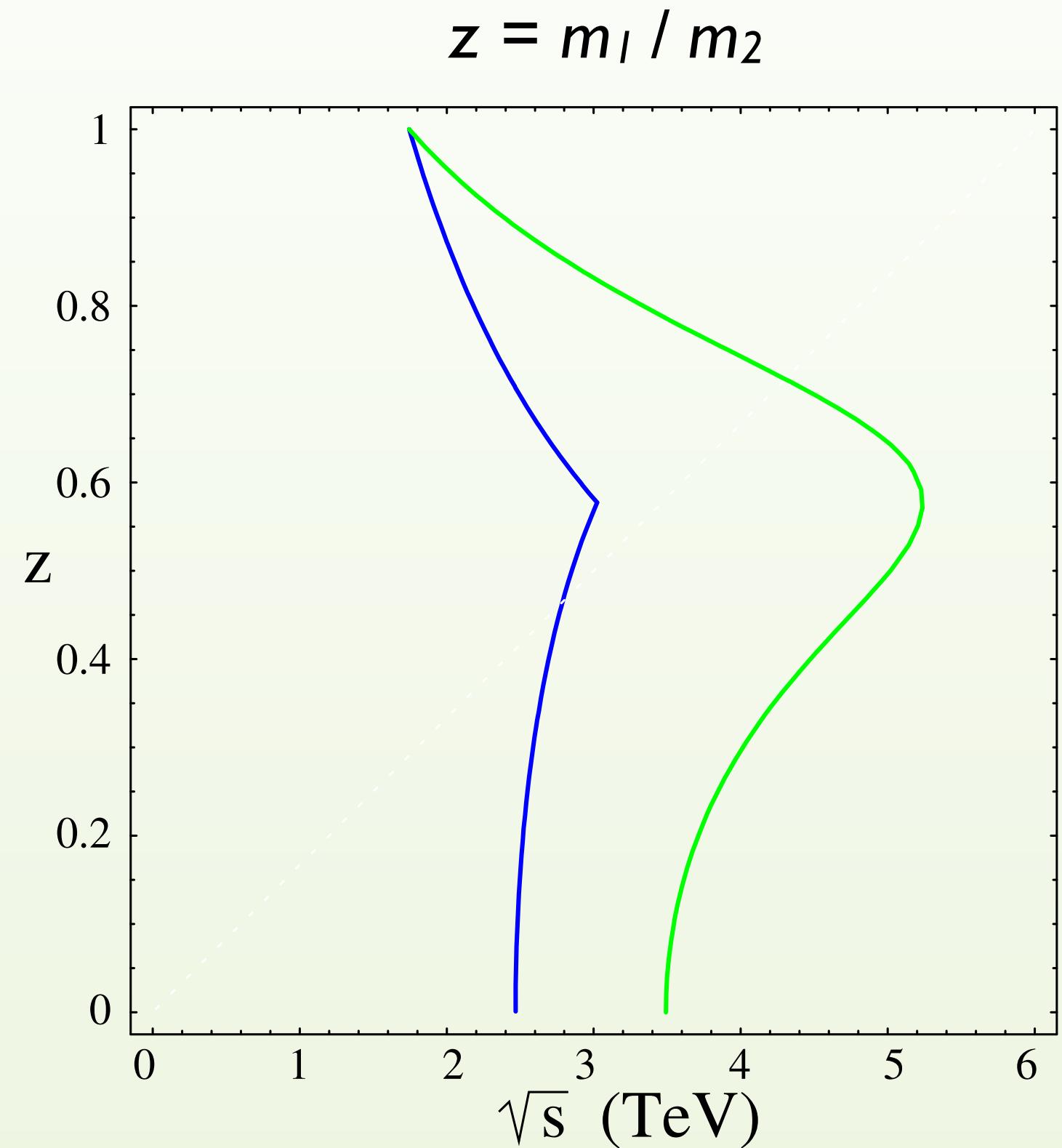
- Z-physics at LEP (mass, width, asymmetry)
- From 4 to **3 free parameters**  
(2 masses, 1 coupling)
- Two independent  $b_i$   
→ evade “fermiophobia”



arXiv:0807.5051 – Accomando et al.

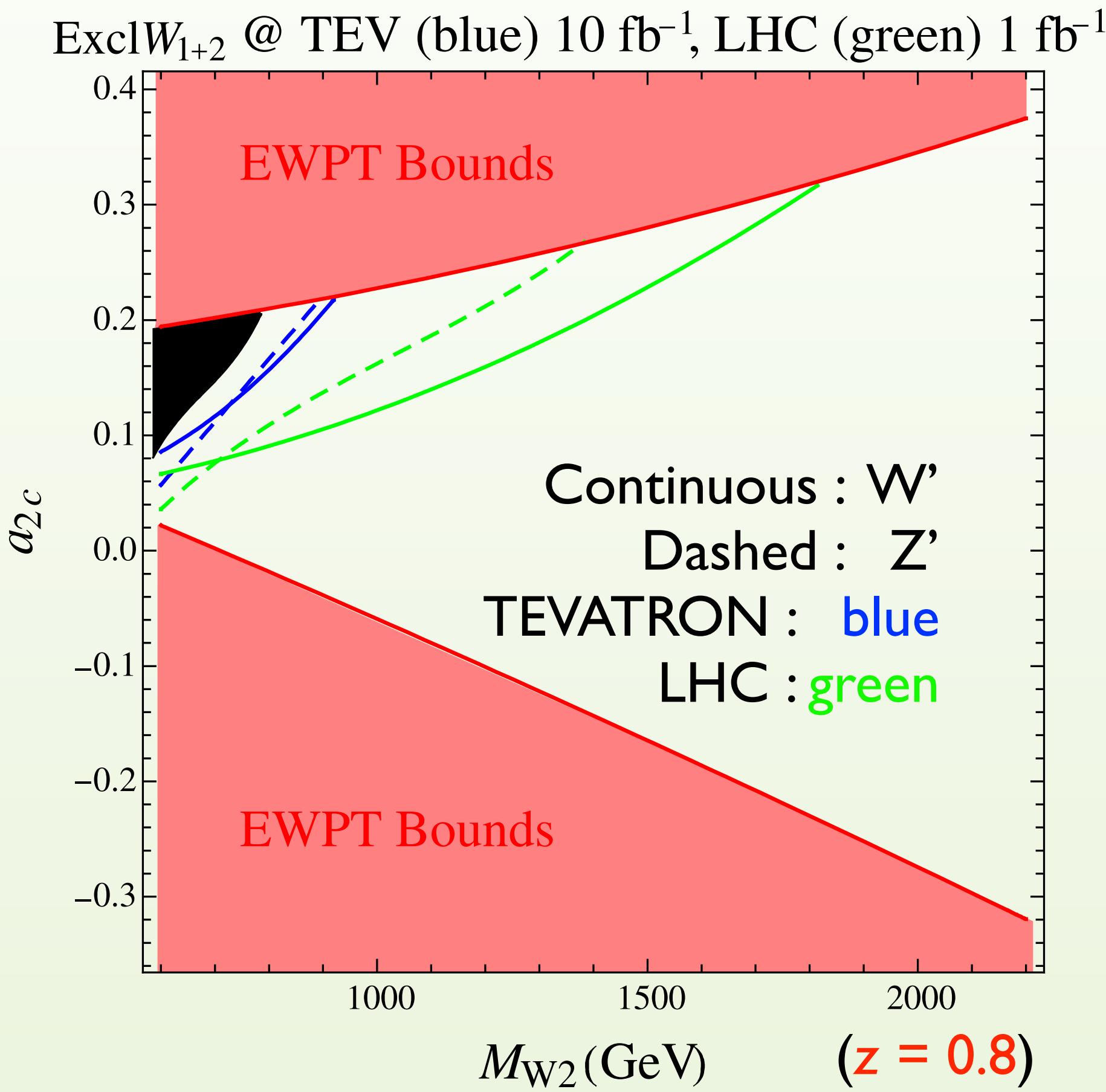
# Perturbative unitarity bound

- Validity of effective description  
→ limit on mass range:  
 $m_1 < m_2 < \Lambda$
- ( $\simeq$  Validity of  $\Sigma$ -models)



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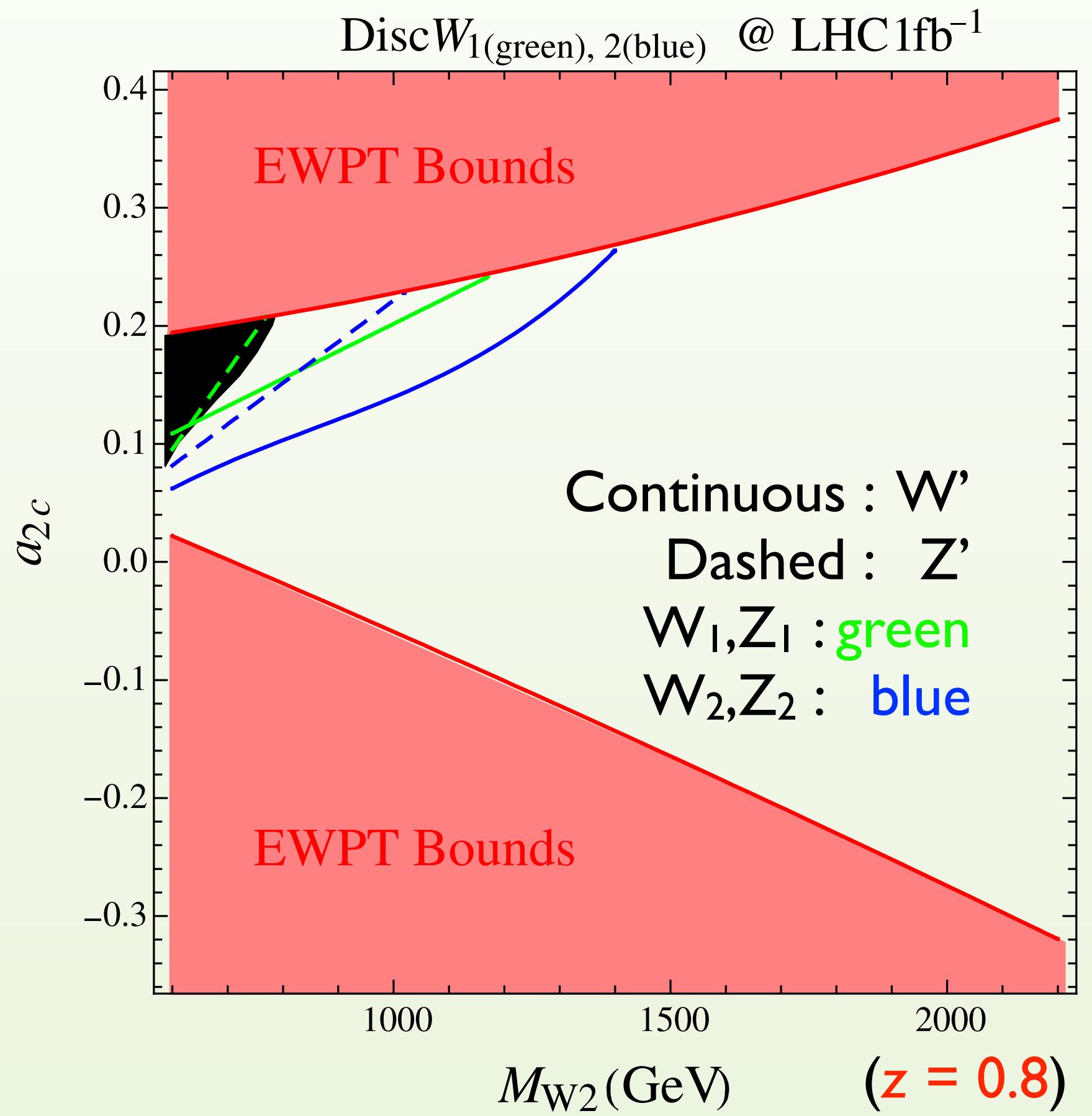
# Exclusion limits on parameter space $Z'$ vs. $W'$ searches



- Significant portion of parameter space will be probed
- $W'$  more potential than  $Z'$  at LHC (larger production) but more difficult analysis...

# Discovery potential $Z'$ vs. $W'$ searches

- Can one separate the two resonances?
- Distinguish the lighter resonance: only in the charged channel

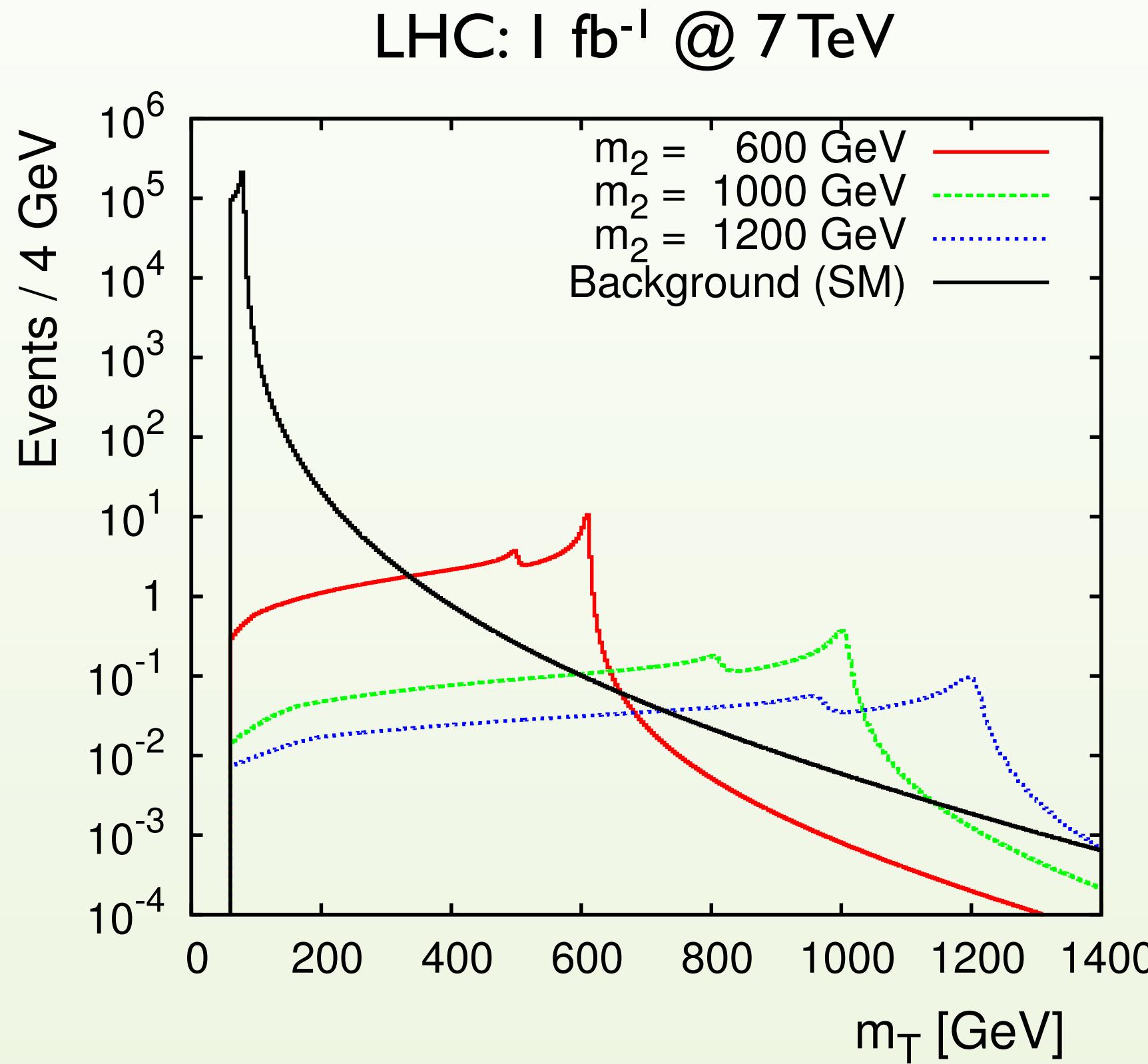


# LHC Phenomenology – charged channel

- Benchmark: fixed mass ratio ( $z = 0.8$ )  
& maximal allowed coupling to fermions
- Di-lepton production: 1 charged + 1 neutrino
- LHC: 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 7 TeV
- $E_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$  &  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- Look at transverse mass:

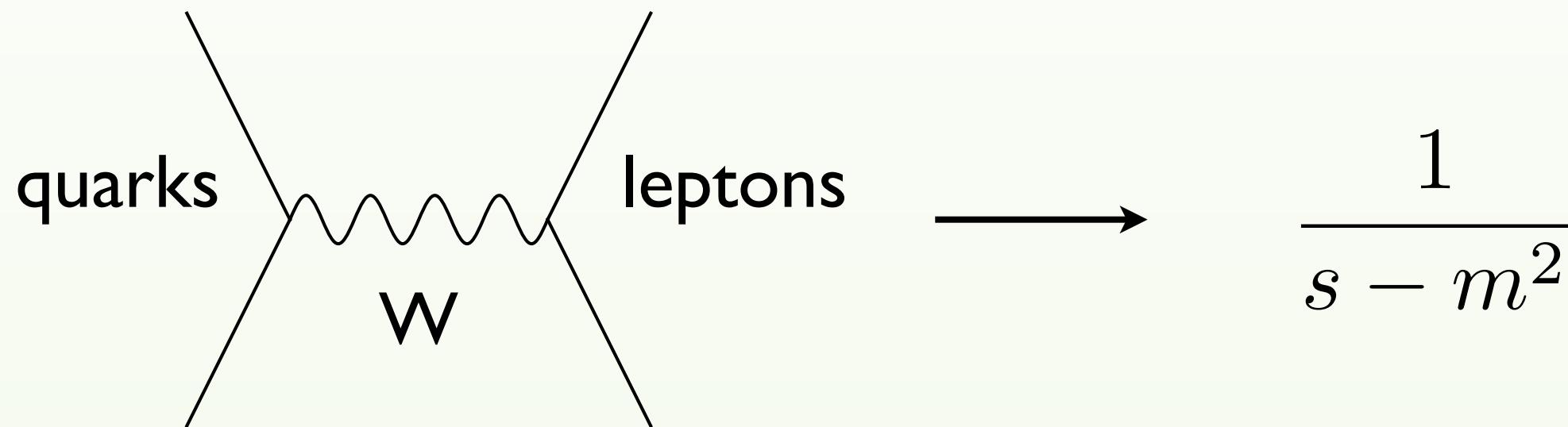
$$m_T = \sqrt{2 E_T^e E_T^{\text{miss}} (1 - \cos \Delta\phi_{e,\text{miss}})} \left( = 2 E_T \right)$$

# $m_T$ distributions – background and “signal”



What is the “signal”?

# Signal and interference



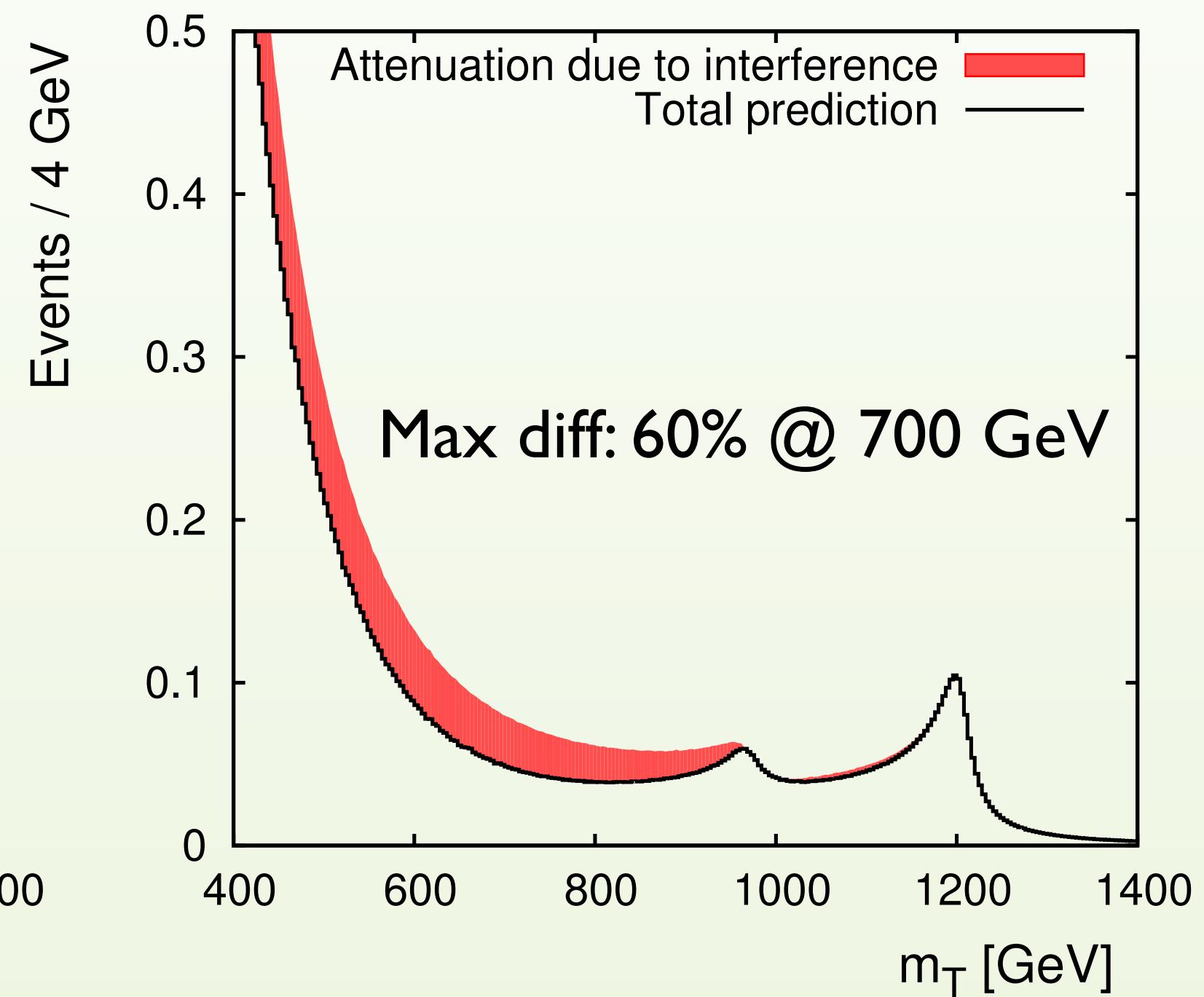
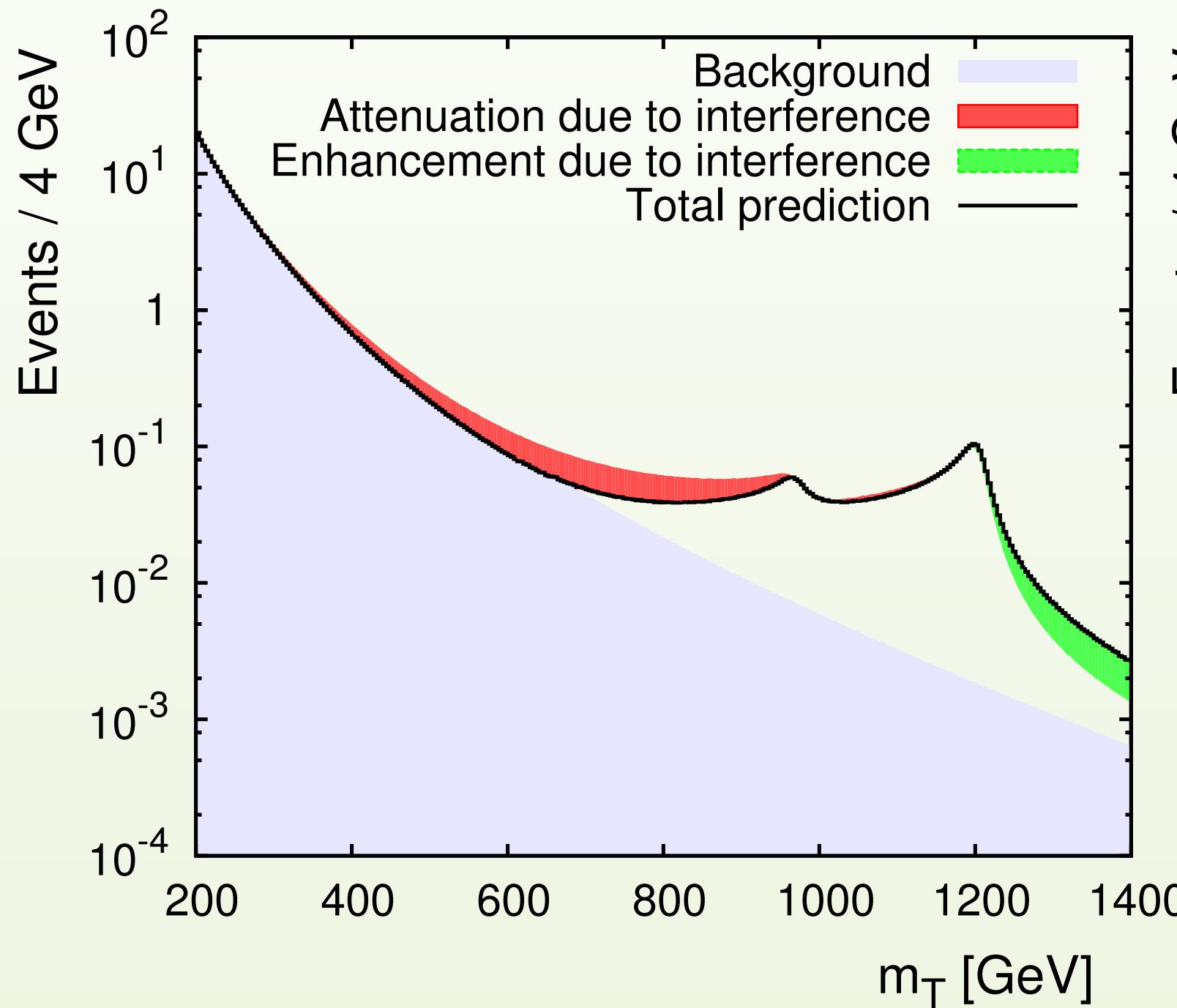
Total prediction for cross-section:

$$\left( \frac{1}{s - m_W^2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{s - m_{W_i}^2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{s - m_W^2} \frac{1}{s - m_{W_i}^2} \right)$$

Background      Signal      Interference

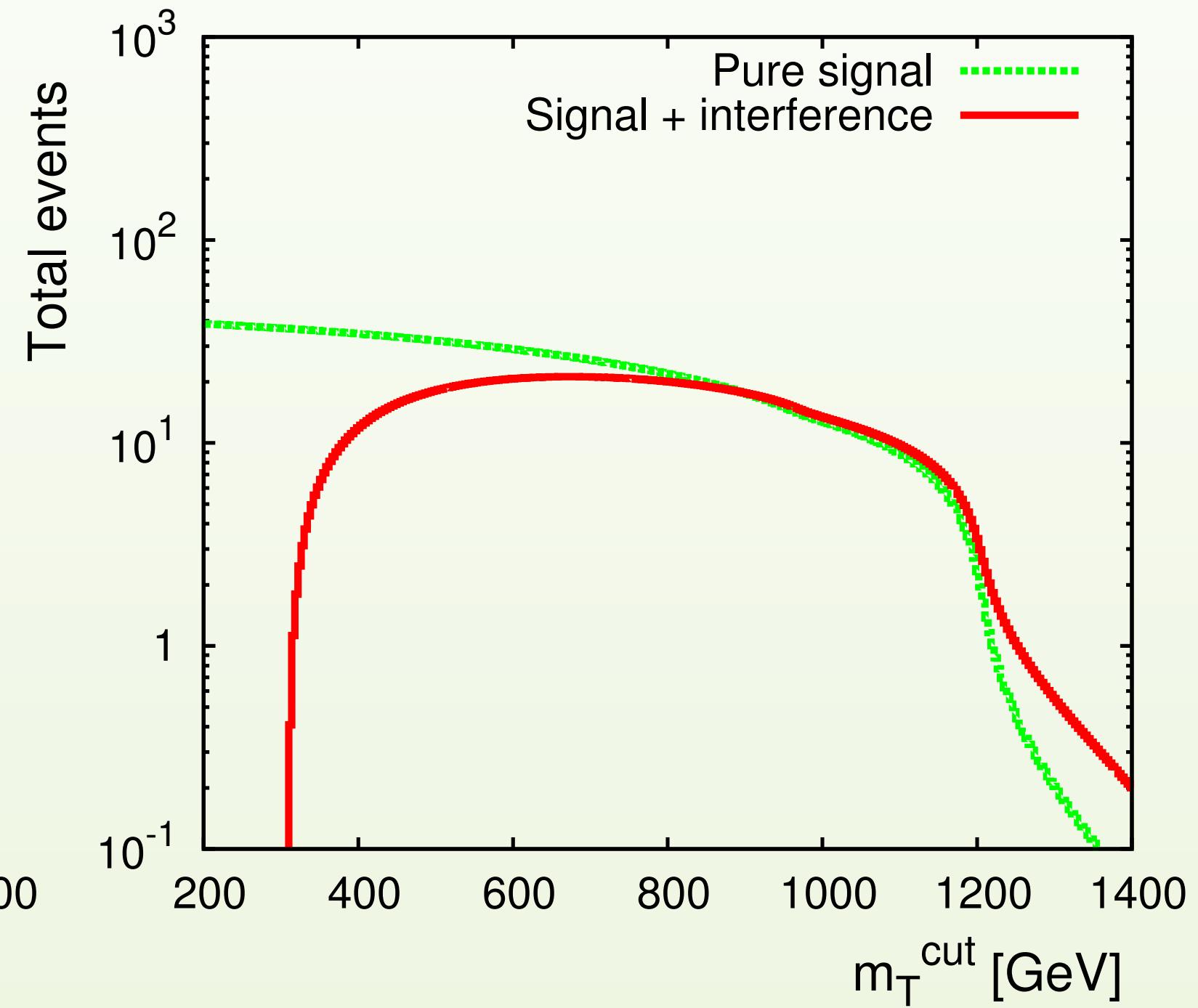
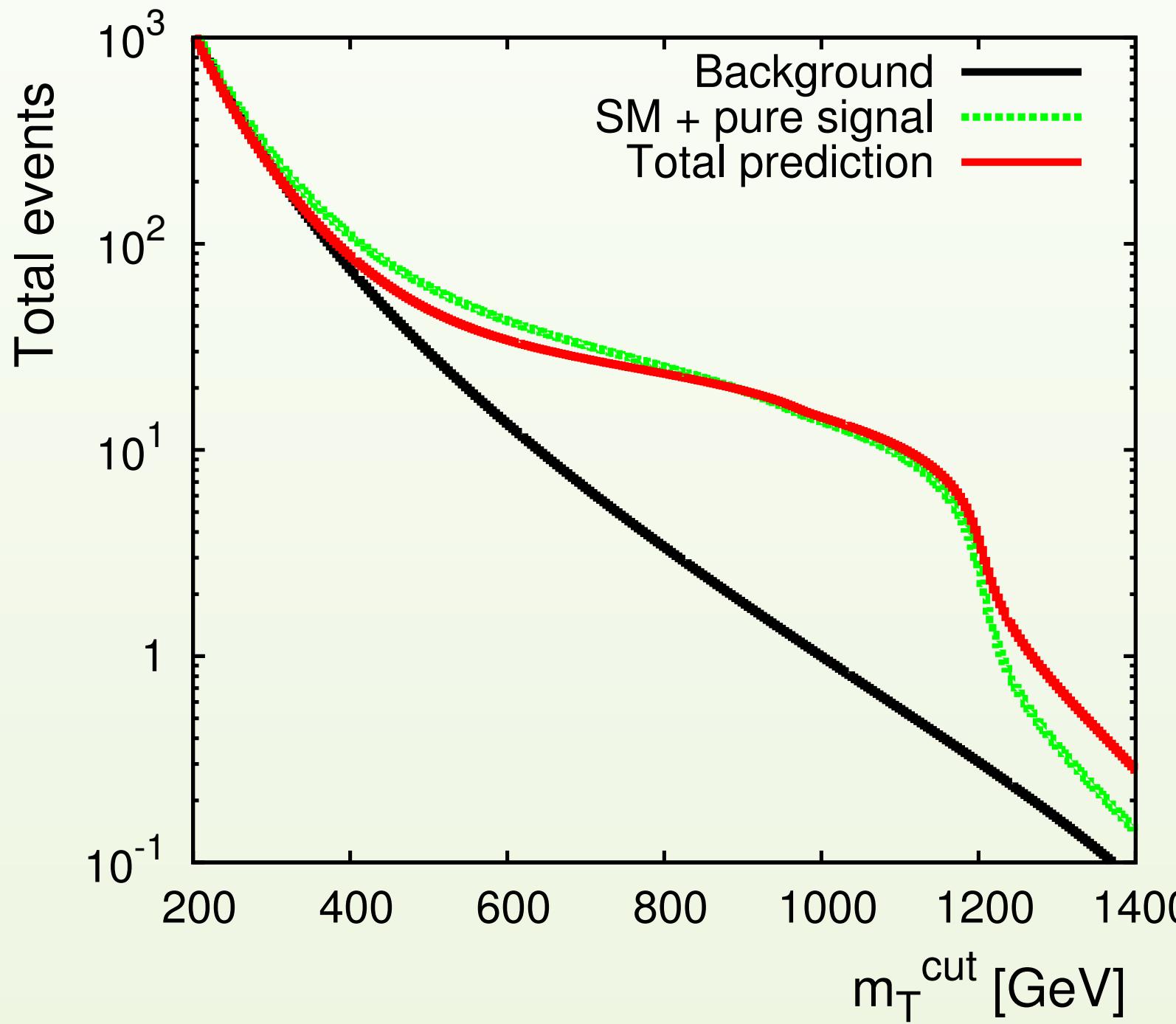
# $m_T$ distribution including interference

$m_1 \simeq 960 \text{ GeV}, m_2 \simeq 1200 \text{ GeV}$



# Counting strategy – total number of events

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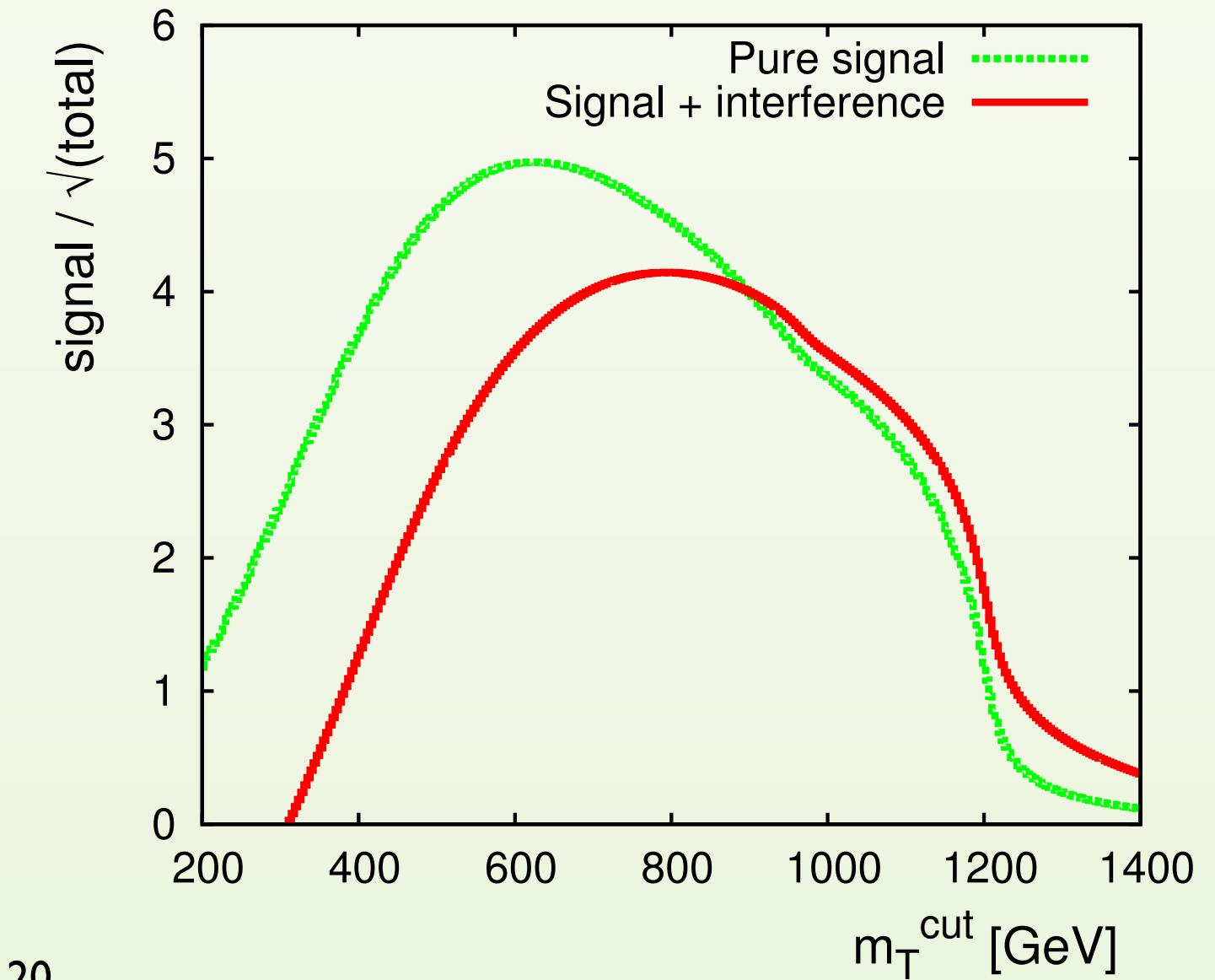


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$m_T^{\text{cut}}$ [GeV]	Background	Pure signal	Signal + interf.
500	30	32 ( $4.6\sigma$ )	18 ( $2.6\sigma$ )
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- Pure signal → overestimation!
- Shift in “optimal” cut



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$m_1 \approx 800 \text{ GeV}, m_2 \approx 1000 \text{ GeV}$

$m_T^{\text{cut}} \text{ [GeV]}$	Background	Pure signal	Signal + interf.
300	236	91 ( $5.5\sigma$ )	41 ( $2.5\sigma$ )
400	76	84 ( $7.3\sigma$ )	56 ( $4.9\sigma$ )
700	7	55 ( $7.1\sigma$ )	53 ( $6.9\sigma$ )

# Conclusions

- If there is something to see, LHC will probably see it
- If nothing is seen → careful in placing exclusion limits  
(need correct definition of signal? possibly significant!)

# Future work

- Follow-up on this hint in collaboration with RAL for more realistic analysis of interference effect
- 4-lepton final state...

Thank you!

# Backup slides

# Expressions for masses

$$m_Z \simeq \frac{g}{c_{\tilde{\theta}}} \cdot \frac{f_1 f_2}{\sqrt{f_1^2 + 2f_2^2}} \left( 1 + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{g^2}{g_1^2} \right) \right), \quad \tan \tilde{\theta} = \frac{g'}{g}$$

$$m_1 = g_1 f_1$$

$$m_2 = g_1 \sqrt{f_1^2 + 2f_2^2}$$

$$g_1 \simeq \frac{e}{s_{2\theta}} \frac{m_1}{m_Z} \sqrt{2(1 - z^2)}, \quad z = \frac{m_1}{m_2}$$

# EWPT parameters from experiment

- $\epsilon_i$  parametrise deviation from tree-level SM + QED corrections  
(~1990) Altarelli et al.
- Experimental data from LEP (Z-peak)

$$\frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2} = \left. \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2} \right|_B (1 + 1.43 \epsilon_1 - 1.00 \epsilon_2 - 0.86 \epsilon_3)$$

$$\Gamma_l = \left. \Gamma_l \right|_B (1 + 1.20 \epsilon_1 - 0.26 \epsilon_3)$$

$$A_{FB}^\mu = \left. A_{FB}^\mu \right|_B (1 + 34.72 \epsilon_1 - 45.15 \epsilon_3)$$

# EWPT detail – Altarelli et al.

- “Fundamental” parameters:  $e$ ,  $G_F$  and  $m_Z$
- Define

$$s_\theta^2 c_\theta^2 = \frac{\sqrt{2} e^2}{8 m_Z^2 G_F}, \quad \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2} = c_\theta^2 \left( 1 - \frac{s_\theta^2}{c_{2\theta}} \Delta r_W \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_Z = -\frac{e}{s_\theta c_\theta} \left( 1 + \frac{\Delta\rho}{2} \right) Z_\mu \bar{\psi} [\gamma^\mu g_V + \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 g_A] \psi$$

$$g_V = \frac{\mathbf{T}^3}{2} - (1 + \Delta k) s_\theta^2 \mathbf{Q}, \quad g_A = -\frac{\mathbf{T}^3}{2}$$

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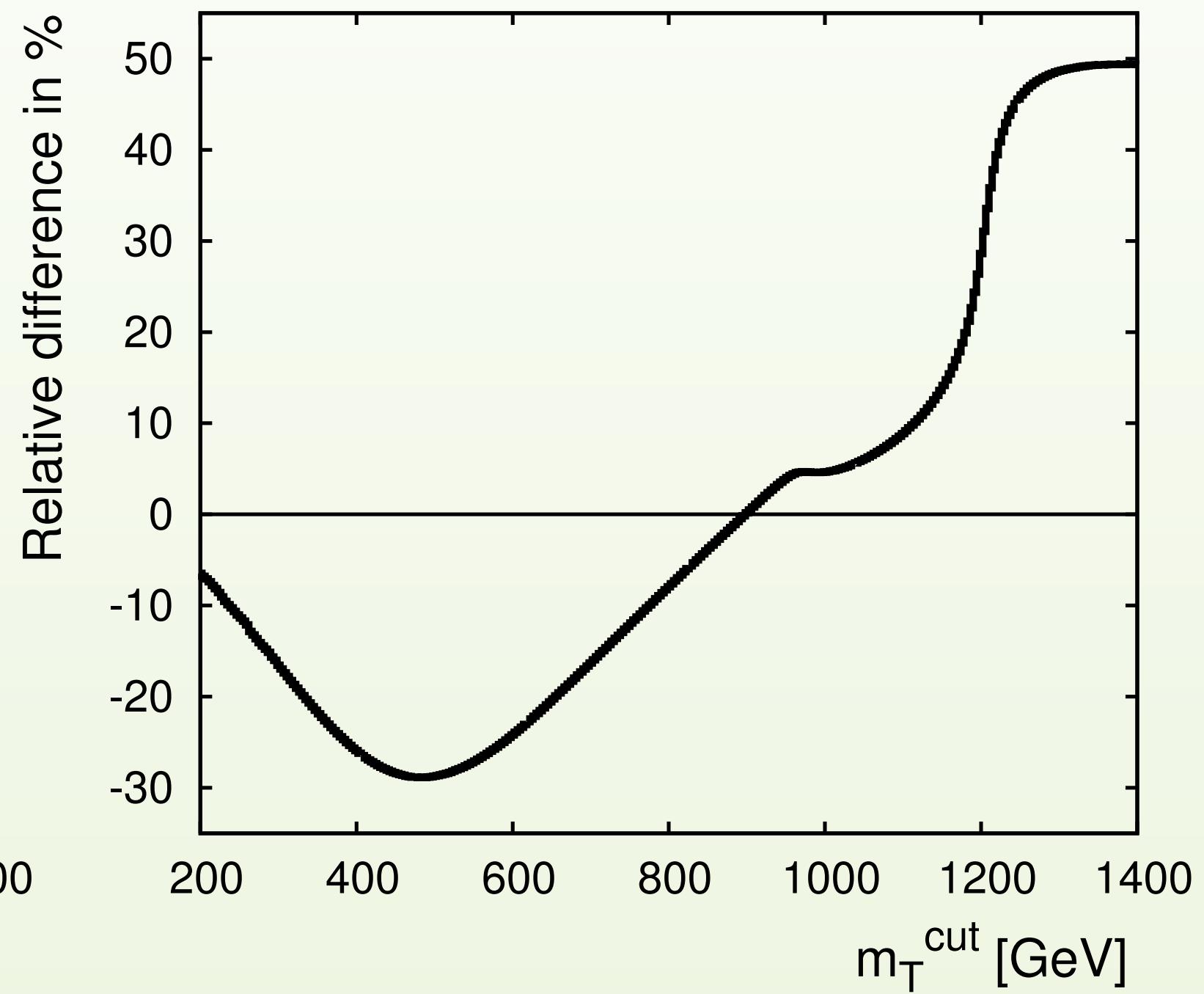
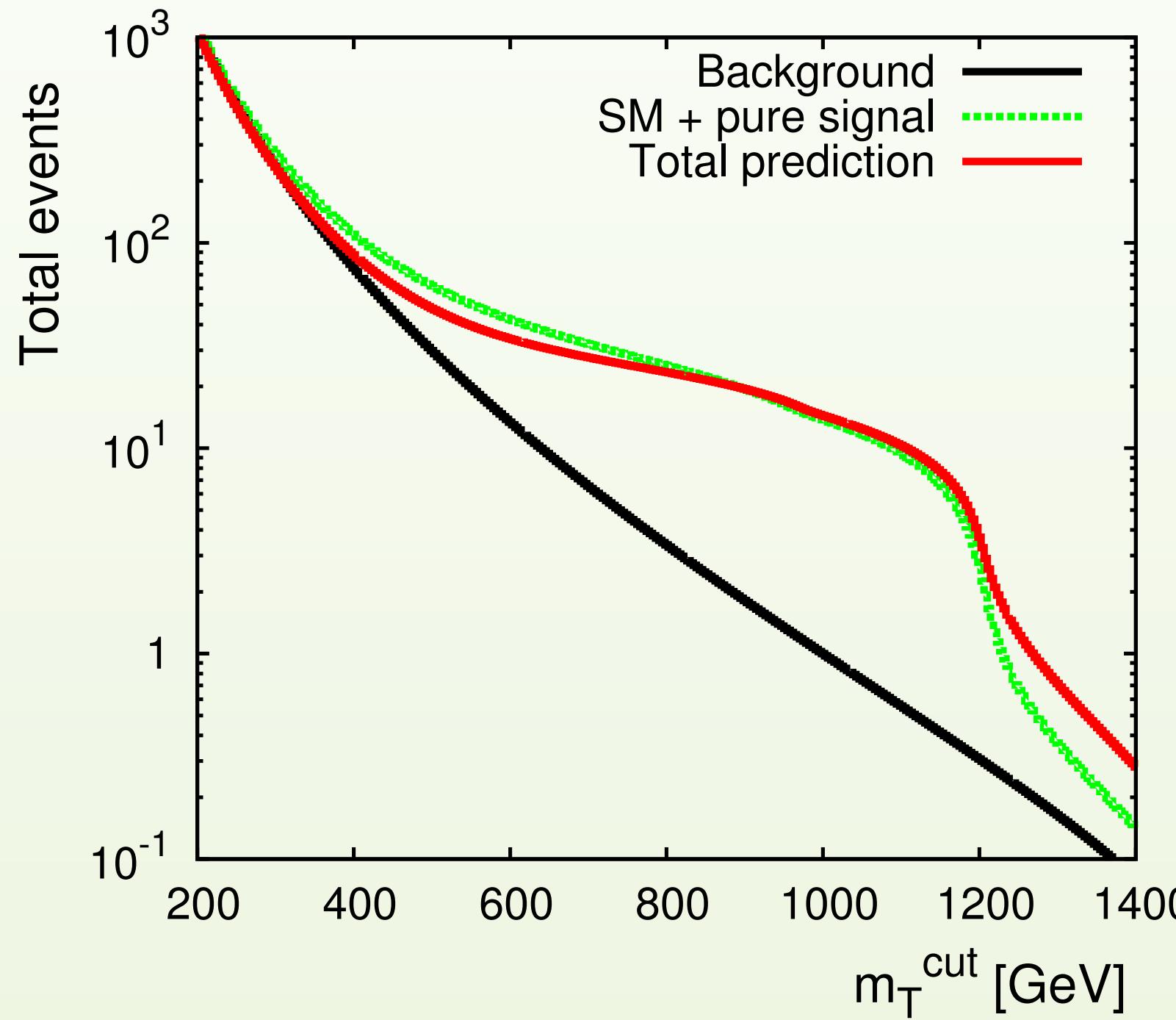
$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_1 &= \Delta\rho & \left( = (5.0 \pm 1.1) \cdot 10^{-3} \right) \\ \epsilon_2 &= c_\theta^2 \Delta\rho + \frac{s_\theta^2}{c_{2\theta}} \Delta r_W - 2s_\theta^2 \Delta k & \left( = (-8.8 \pm 1.2) \cdot 10^{-3} \right) \\ \epsilon_3 &= c_\theta^2 \Delta\rho + c_{2\theta} \Delta k & \left( = (4.8 \pm 1.0) \cdot 10^{-3} \right)\end{aligned}$$

In 4-site model:

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{1,2} &\simeq -\frac{(1-z^2)(b_+^2 + z^2 b_-^2)}{4} \\ \epsilon_3 &\simeq \frac{g^2}{2g_1^2} (1-z^4) - \frac{b_+ - z^2 b_-}{2(1+b_+)}\end{aligned}$$

# Total number of events – relative difference

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# Significance compared to background

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