

Axion-Like-Particles EFT & collider signals

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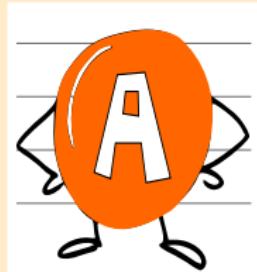
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from $U(1)_{PQ}$ dynamical **solution to the strong CP problem**

Peccei,Quinn PRL38 (1977) 1440

exact Goldstone

mass+potential from instantons

$m_a \sim 1/f_a \lesssim \text{eV}$ → narrow pheno window

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recent development:

still **solves** strong CP problem

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relax: $m_a \not\propto 1/f_a$

SPECIAL M

→ **heavier** masses + **lower** scales allowed
→ easier to catch

Dimopoulos,Susskind 1979
Tye PRL47 (1981) 1035
Rubakov 9703409
Berezhiani,Gianfagna,Giannotti 0009290
Hook 1411.3325
Gerghetta,Nagata,Shifman 1604.01127
Chiang et al. 1602.07909
Kobakhidze 1607.06552
Dimopoulos et al 1606.03097

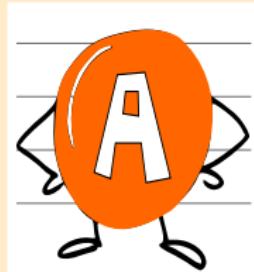
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Dark Matter

GB from string compactification

axiflavor Calibbi et al. 1612.08040

relaxion Graham,Kaplan,Rajendran 1504.07551

...

Looking for the ALP is an Effective way

General analysis: construct an **effective theory of SM + ALP**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{ALP}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a + \mathcal{L}_{a-\text{SM}}$$

Remember:

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interaction Lagrangian has the form

$$\mathcal{L}_{a-\text{SM}} \sim (\text{SM})^\mu \frac{\partial_\mu a}{f_a}$$

Effective Field Theory for ALPs

A complete basis for the CP even, bosonic sector

Georgi,Kaplan,Randall PLB169 (1986) 73

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invariant under $a(x) \rightarrow a(x) + c$

invariance broken at the quantum level
(instanton effects)
but the operator is relevant
e.g. for QCD axion

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unitary gauge $\rightarrow \frac{v^2 g}{2c_\theta f_a} Z^\mu \partial_\mu a$

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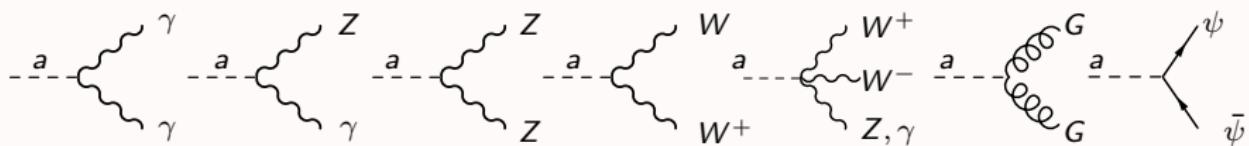
redefined via:
 $H \rightarrow \exp \left(C_{aH} \frac{ia}{f_a} \right) H$

replaced by

$$Q_{aH}^\psi = i \frac{a}{f_a} \left[\bar{q} Y_u \tilde{H} u - \bar{q} Y_d H d - \ell Y_e H e \right] + \text{h.c.}$$

EFT for ALPs – existing constraints

Relevant ALP couplings in the EFT



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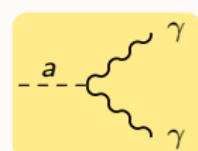
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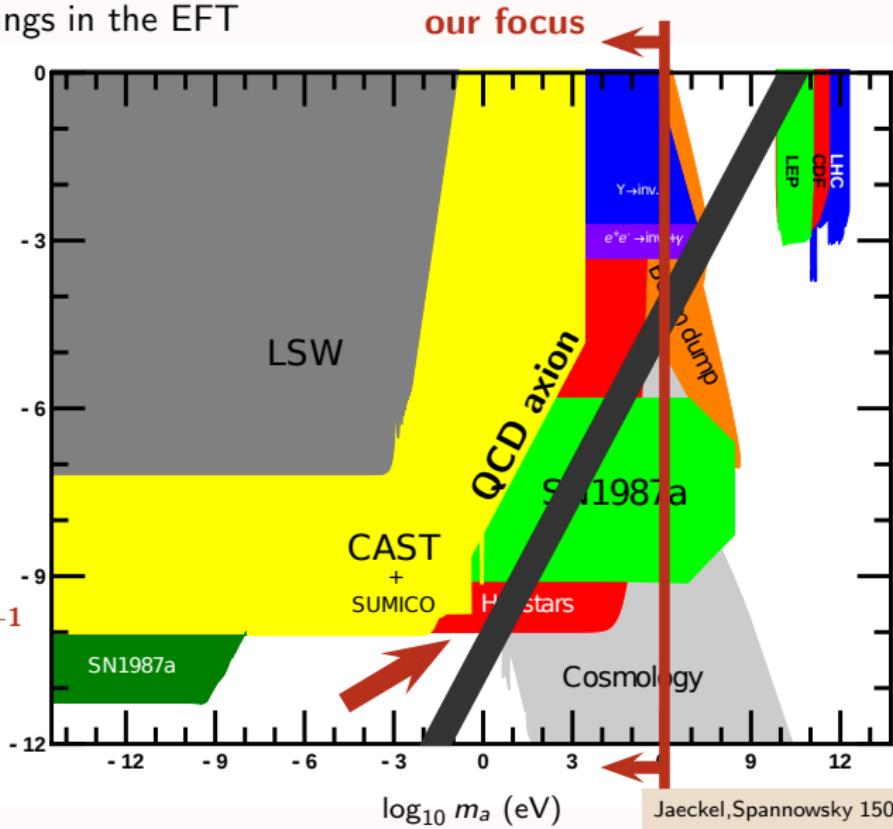
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the most constrained

$$\log_{10} \frac{C_B c_\theta^2 + C_W s_\theta^2}{f_a} \quad [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$$

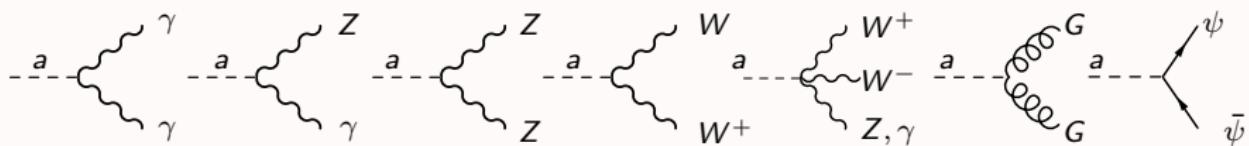
$(10^7 \text{ TeV})^{-1}$



Jaeckel,Spannowsky 1509.00476

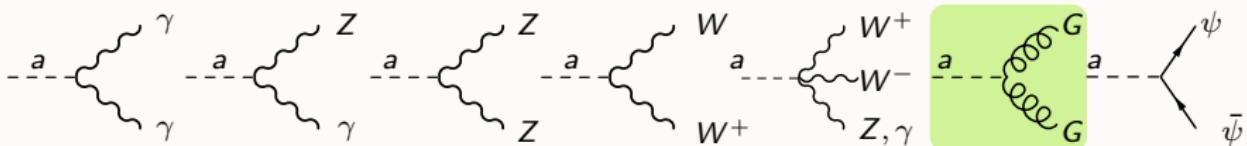
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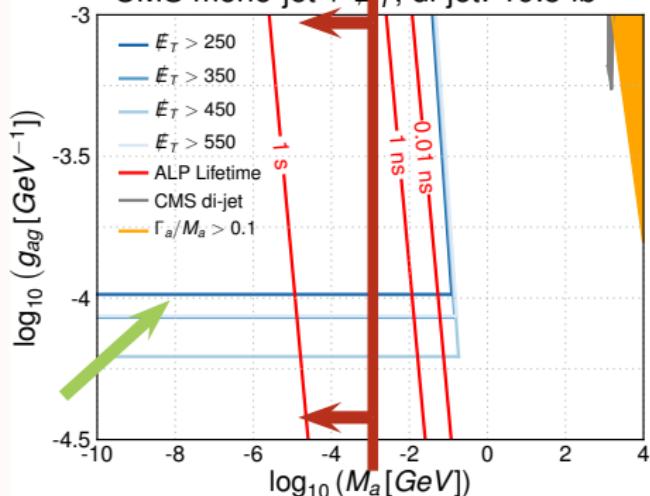


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CMS mono-jet + E_T , di-jet: 19.5 fb⁻¹



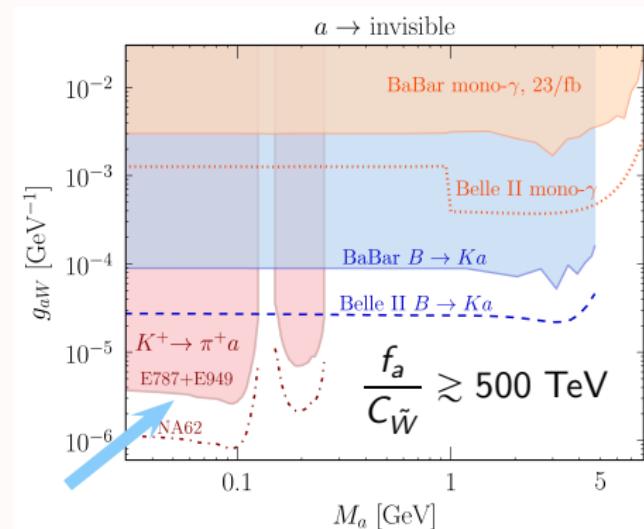
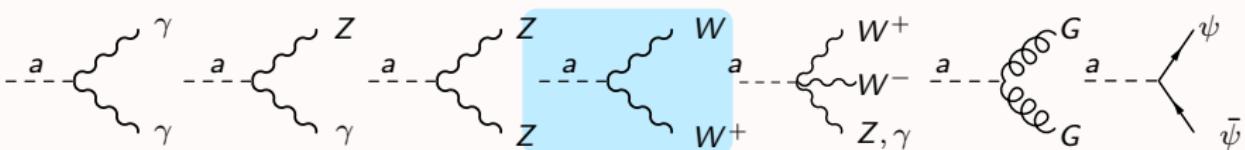
constrained e.g.
from mono-jet

$$\frac{f_a}{C_{\tilde{G}}} \gtrsim 10 \text{ TeV}$$

Mimasu,Sanz 1409.4792

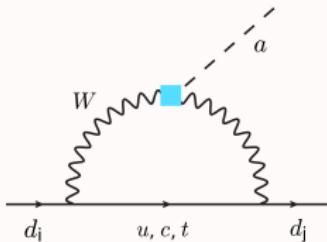
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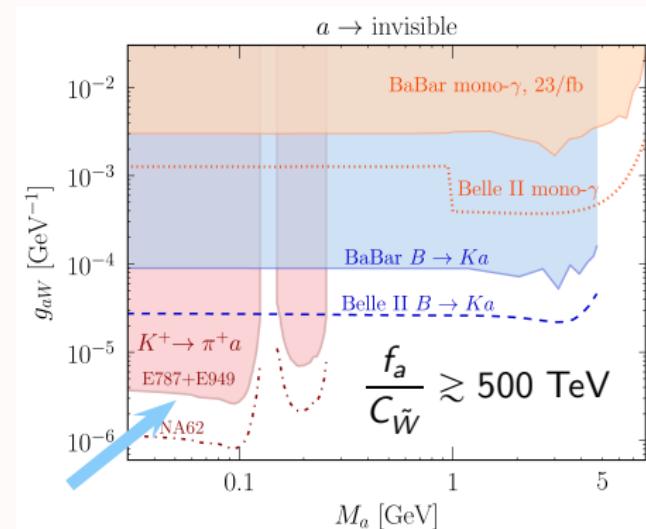
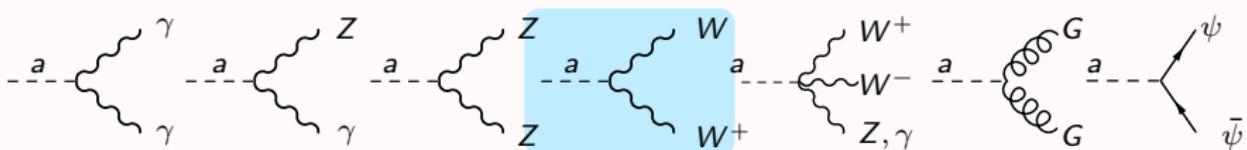
constraints from
 $B \rightarrow K a, K \rightarrow \pi a \dots$



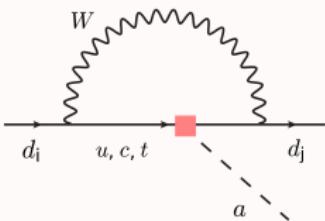
Izaguirre, Lin, Shuve 1611.09355

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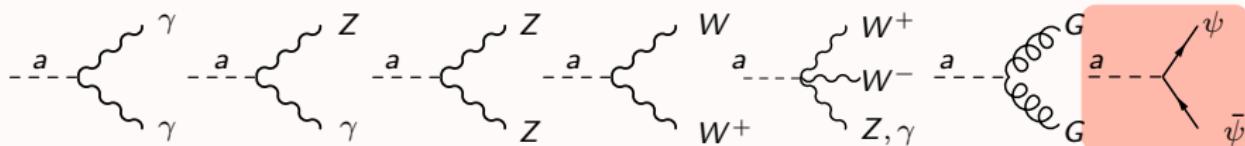
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also from **rare meson decays**: $\frac{g_{a\psi}}{f_a} \lesssim 3.4 \cdot 10^{-8} - 2.9 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$
 for $1 \text{ MeV} \lesssim m_a \lesssim 3 \text{ GeV}$

specifically to e

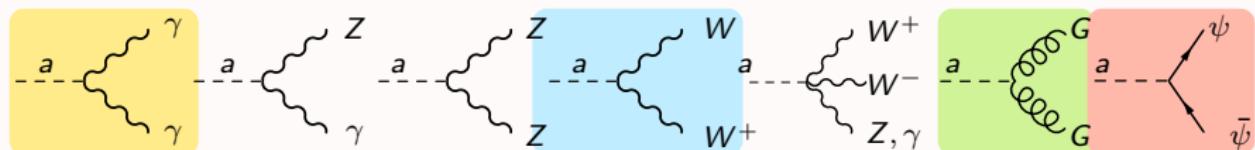
$$m_a \lesssim 1 \text{ keV} \quad \frac{g_{ae}}{f_a} \lesssim 1.5 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ (Xenon)} \quad \text{Xenon100 1404.1455}$$

$$m_a < 1 \text{ eV} \quad \frac{g_{ae}}{f_a} \lesssim 8.6 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \quad \text{Viaux et al. 1311.1669}$$

(high-precision photometry of red giants globular clusters)

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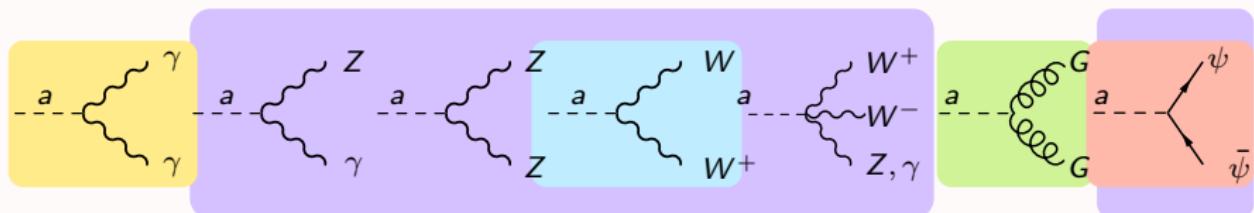
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Other couplings have been largely disregarded

EFT for ALPs – extending the picture

Two directions!



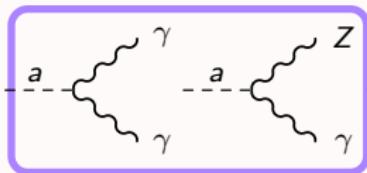
explore further **LHC constraints** to tackle more couplings

Remember ▶ looking for a pGB, $m_a \ll f_a$. for concreteness

$$m_a < 1 \text{ MeV}$$

▶ assumed to be **stable** @ LHC $\rightarrow \not{E}_T$ signature

Including further collider constraints

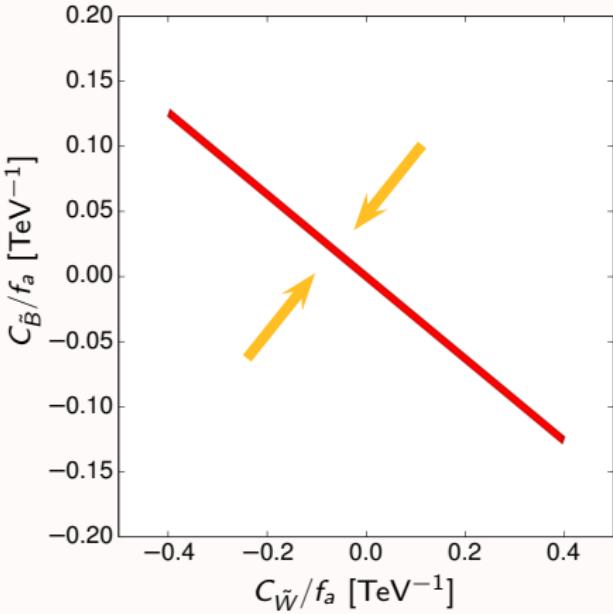
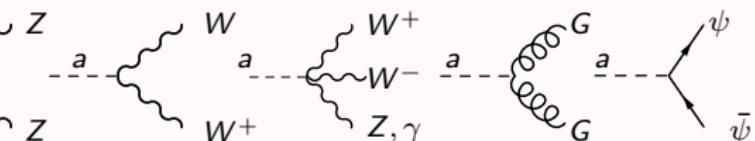


$a\gamma\gamma$

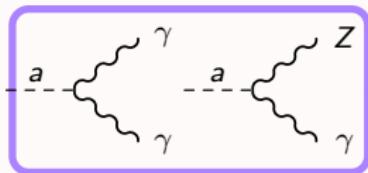
$$\frac{C_{\tilde{B}} c_\theta^2 + C_{\tilde{W}} s_\theta^2}{f_a}$$

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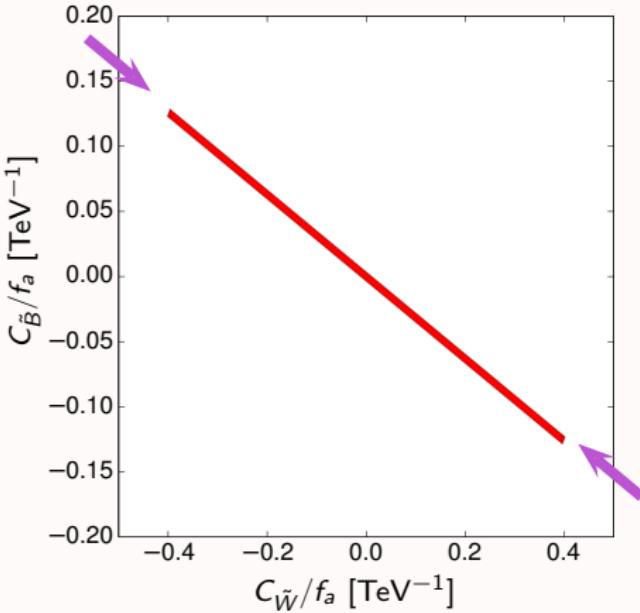
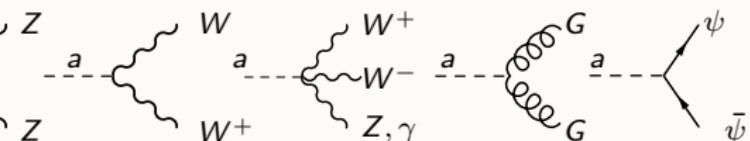
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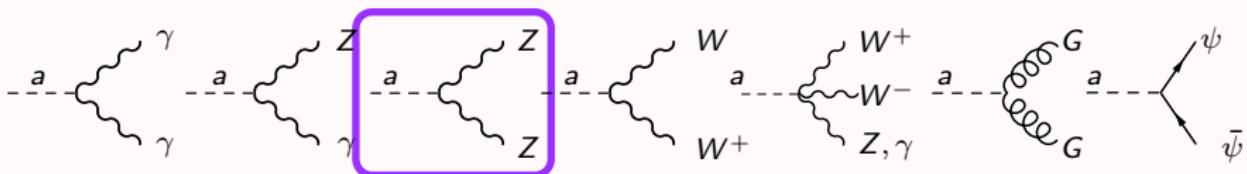


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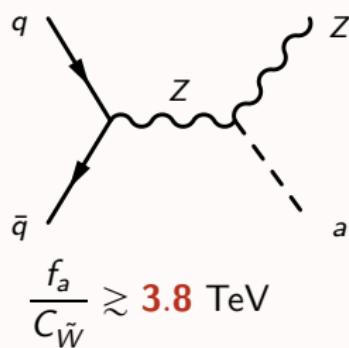
$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow a\gamma) < \Gamma(Z \rightarrow \text{BSM}) < 2 \text{ MeV}$



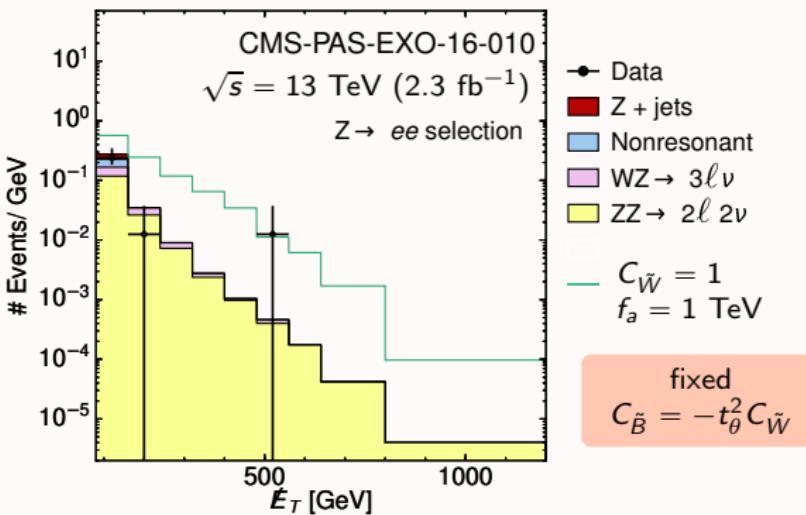
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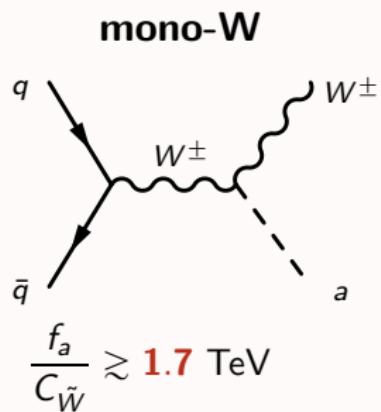
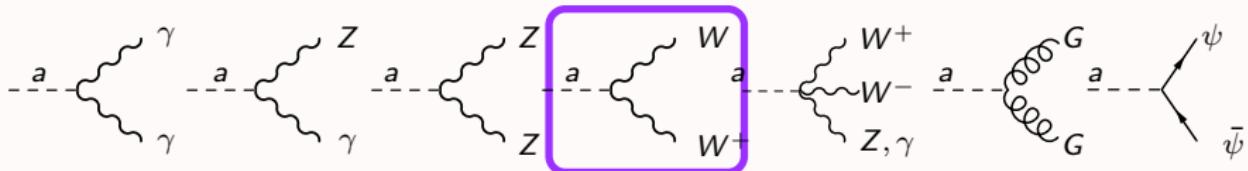
mono-Z



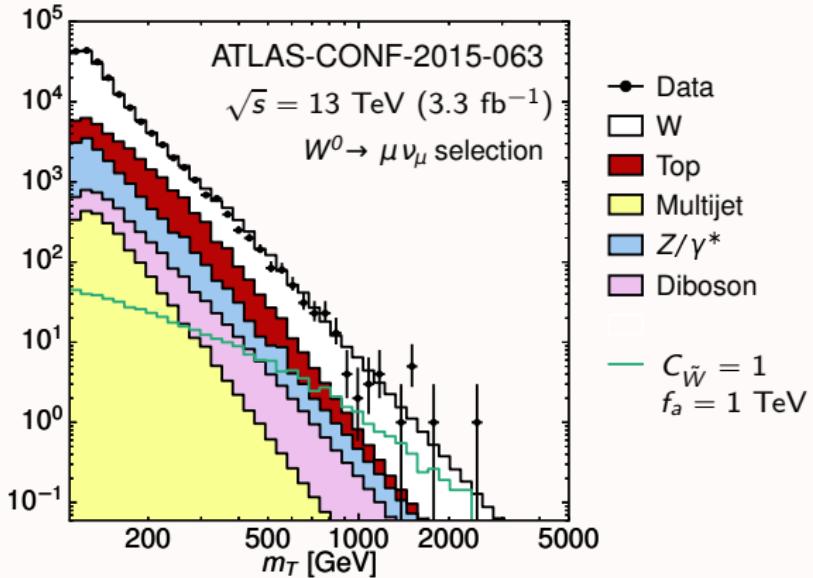
projection HL-LHC:
16 – 21 TeV
(depending on syst.)



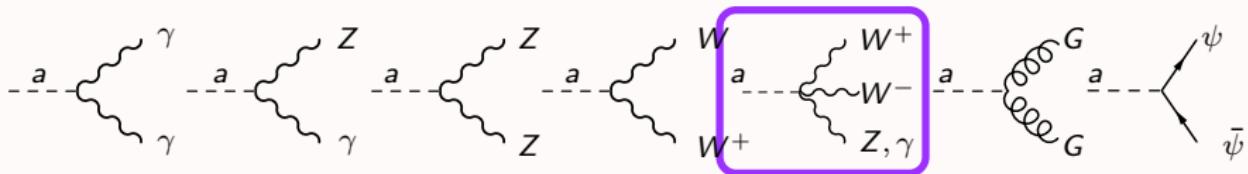
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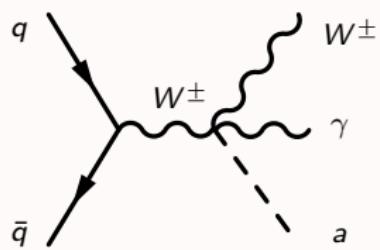
projection HL-LHC:
2 – 6 TeV
(depending on syst.)



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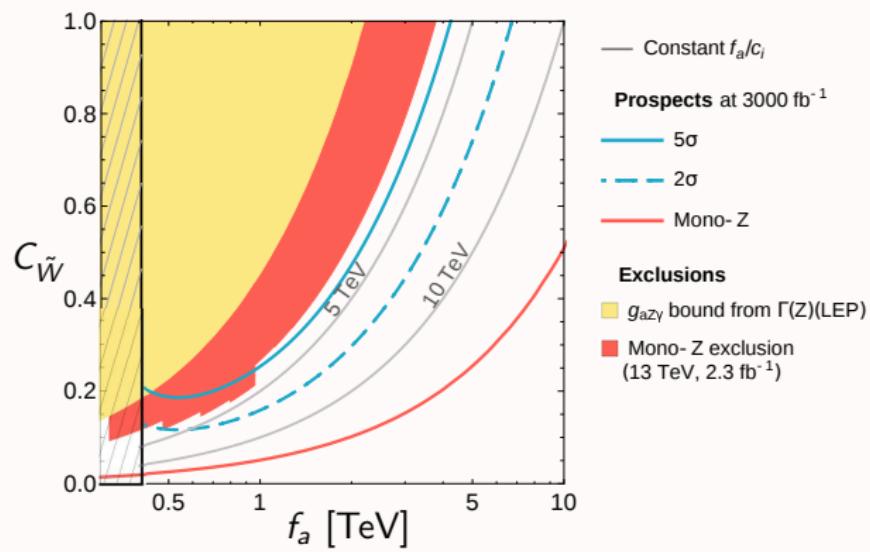


$aW\gamma$ prod.

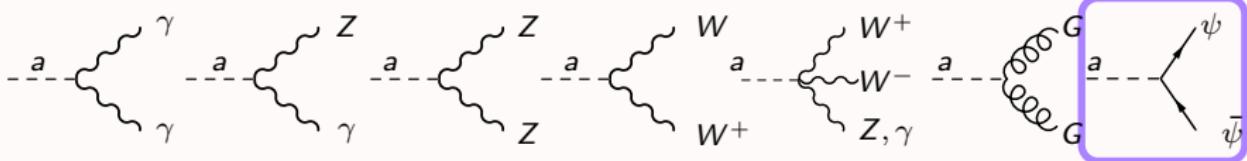


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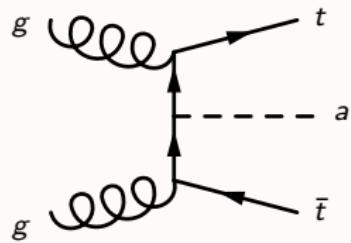
$$\frac{f_a}{C_{\tilde{W}}} \gtrsim 6.8 \text{ TeV}$$



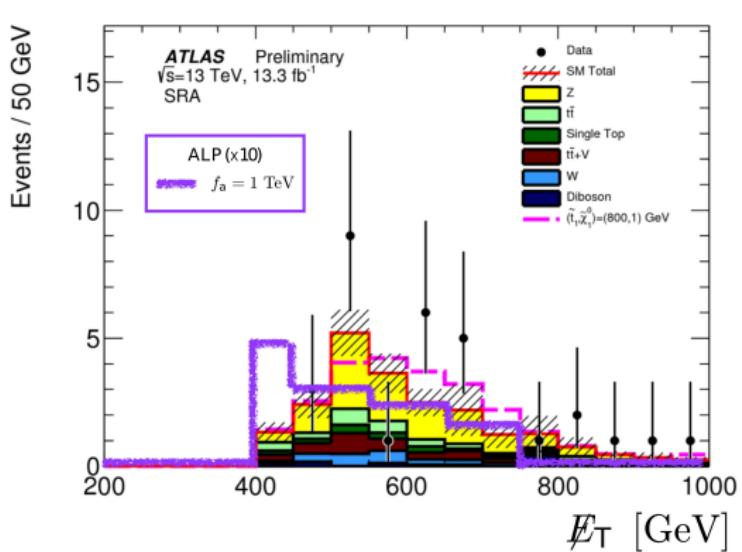
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a proposal:
t̄ta prod.
(neutralino searches)

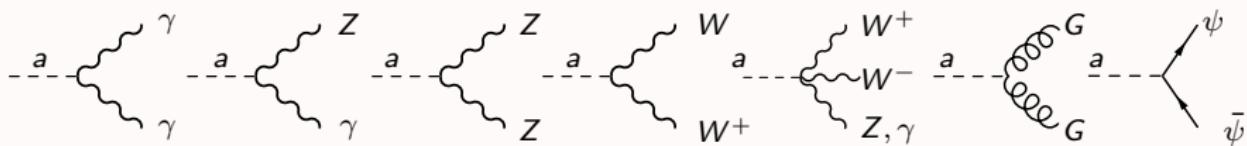


to constrain $\frac{Y_t C_{aH}}{f_a}$



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what happens if the Higgs is **not in a doublet**?

(how does a HEFTy ALP look like?)

Non-linear EFT

The doublet structure of the Higgs is not necessary for EWSB
(required only for exact unitarization)

relaxing this assumption → **non-linear EFT** (a.k.a. chiral EFT, HEFT)

$$H = \frac{v + h}{\sqrt{2}} \mathbf{U} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

h ← independent →
treated as a singlet
with arbitrary couplings

$$\mathcal{F}(h) = 1 + 2a \frac{h}{b} + b \frac{h^2}{v^2} + \dots$$

Appelquist,Bernard (1980)
Longhitano (1981)

$$\mathbf{U} = e^{i\pi^I \sigma^I/v}$$

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derivative expansion $\sim \chi$ PT

Grinstein,Trott PRD 76 073002
Contino et al. JHEP 1005 089

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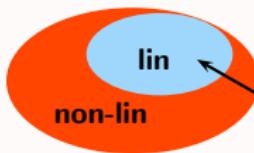
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contains the linear as a particular limit

→ Indispensable for

- composite Higgs
- Higgs-dilaton
- strong interacting EWSB
- ...

Non-linear EFT for ALPs

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$$+ \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu h \partial^\mu h - V(h) +$$

$$- \frac{(v+h)^2}{4} \text{Tr}[\mathbf{V}_\mu \mathbf{V}^\mu] + \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{GB kinetic terms} \\ \text{gauge bosons' masses} \end{array}$$

$$- \frac{v+h}{\sqrt{2}} [\bar{\psi}_L \mathbf{U} Y \psi_R + \text{h.c.}] \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Yukawas} \end{array}$$

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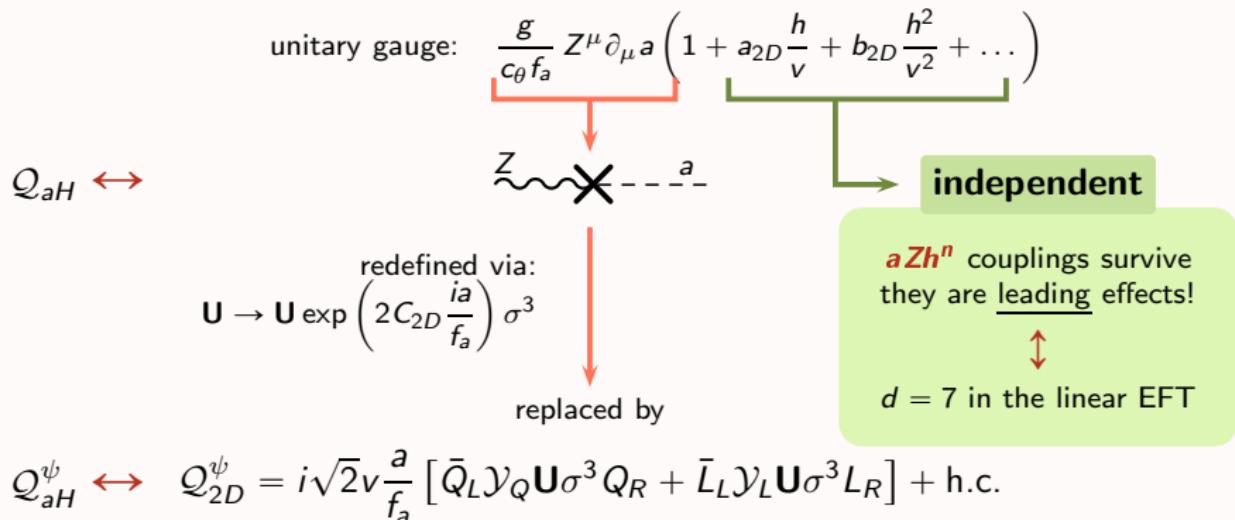
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Testing the aZh coupling

peculiar in the **non-linear EFT** → possible **discriminating** signatures

1 $\Gamma(h \rightarrow Za) < \Gamma(h \rightarrow BSM) < 2.1 \text{ MeV (95\% CL)}$ ATLAS+CMS 1606.02266

$$\frac{f_a}{C_{2D} a_{2D}} \gtrsim 2.78 \text{ TeV}$$

setting to zero the other C_i
(C_{2D} gives the dominant contr.)

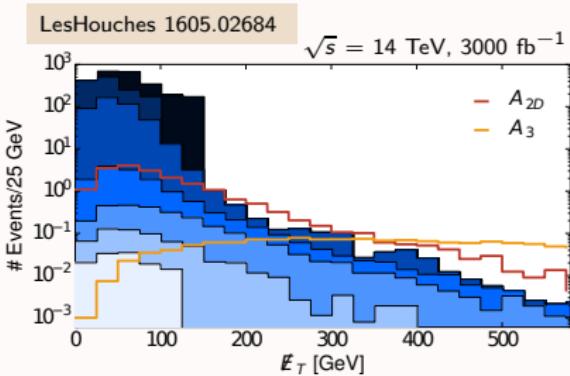
projection HL-LHC: 6 TeV

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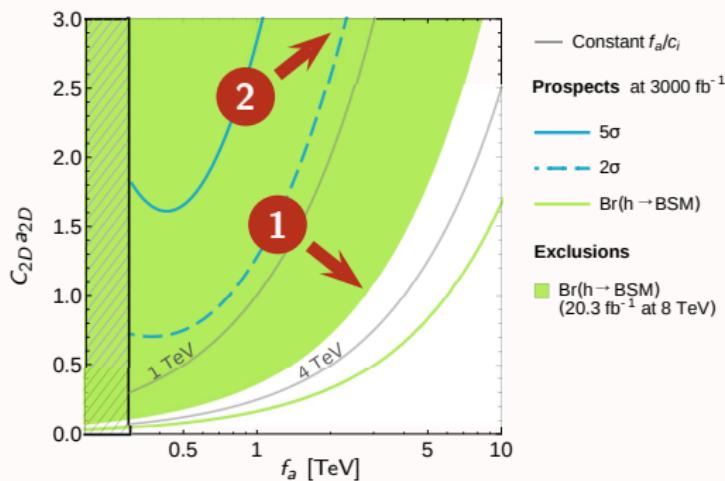
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2 mono-Higgs @ HL-LHC



prospects: $f_a/c_{2D} \gtrsim 780 \text{ GeV}$



The constraint from $h \rightarrow \text{BSM}$ is already better than mono-H prospects

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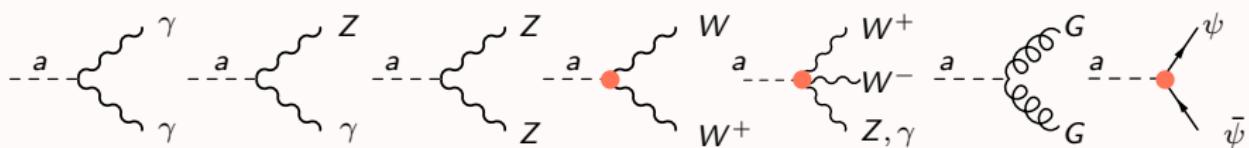
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17 more invariants

EFT for ALPs – extending the picture

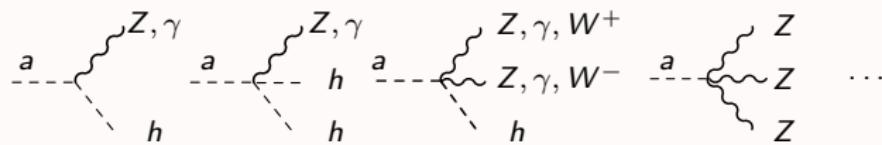
linear EFT



+

+ more Lorentz structures

non-linear EFT



Non-linear effects in $aW\gamma$ production



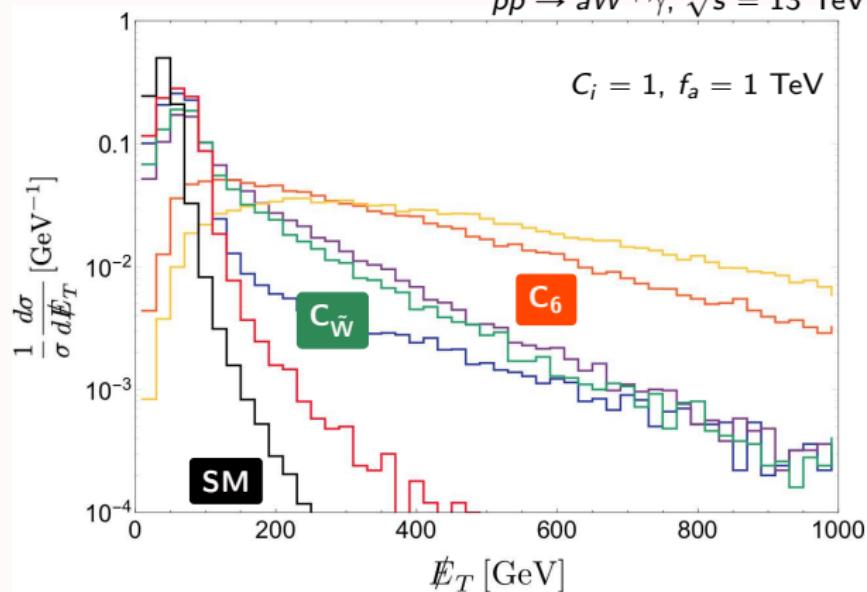
Many non-linear operators contributing!

Within LHC reach:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\tilde{W}} \sim W_{\mu\nu}^I \tilde{W}^{I\mu\nu} a/f_a$$

$$\mathcal{A}_6 \sim \text{Tr}(\mathbf{T}[W_{\mu\nu}, \mathbf{V}^\mu]) \partial^\nu a/f_a$$

$pp \rightarrow aW^+\gamma, \sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$



projection HL-LHC
(one at a time)

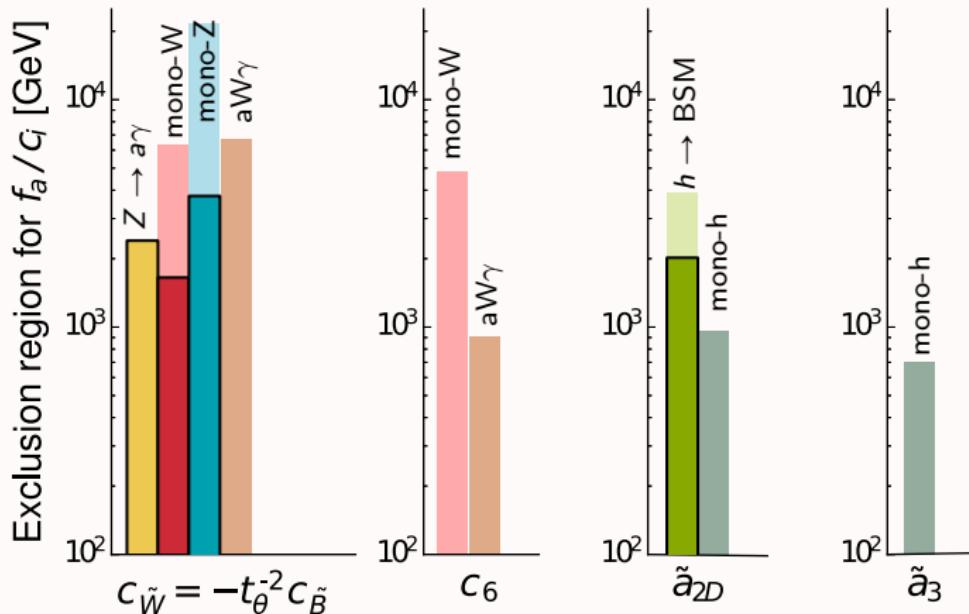
$$\frac{f_a}{C_{\tilde{W}}} \gtrsim 6.8 \text{ TeV}$$

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- ▶ first time: non-linear EFT : 17 more operators
 - ▶ more couplings (**Higgs!** → best tested in ($h \rightarrow \text{BSM}$))
 - ▶ more Lorentz structures → some within LHC reach

More ALPs @ Colliders

- ▶ optimize analyses (e.g. with multivariate analyses)
- ▶ include more operators at the same time
→ possible to **distinguish non-linear** effects?
- ▶ combine different channels to disentangle different (non-linear!) operators
e.g.: $aW(\gamma) \leftrightarrow \text{VBF } ajj(\gamma)$ mono-W \leftrightarrow mono-Z
- ▶ beyond this EFT: test heavier masses (decaying ALPs)
- ▶ ...

Backup slides

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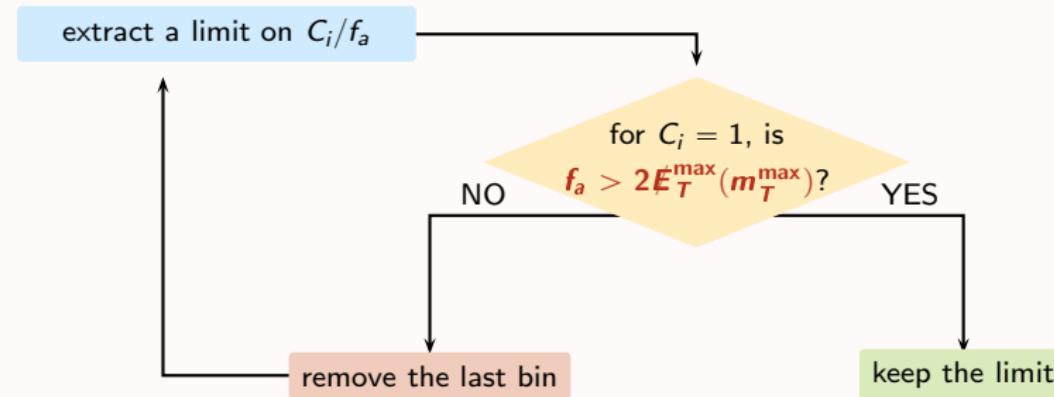
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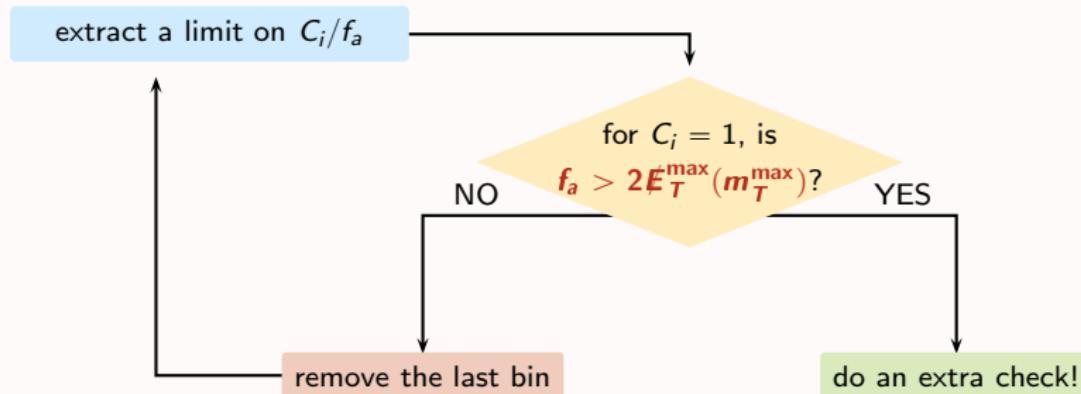
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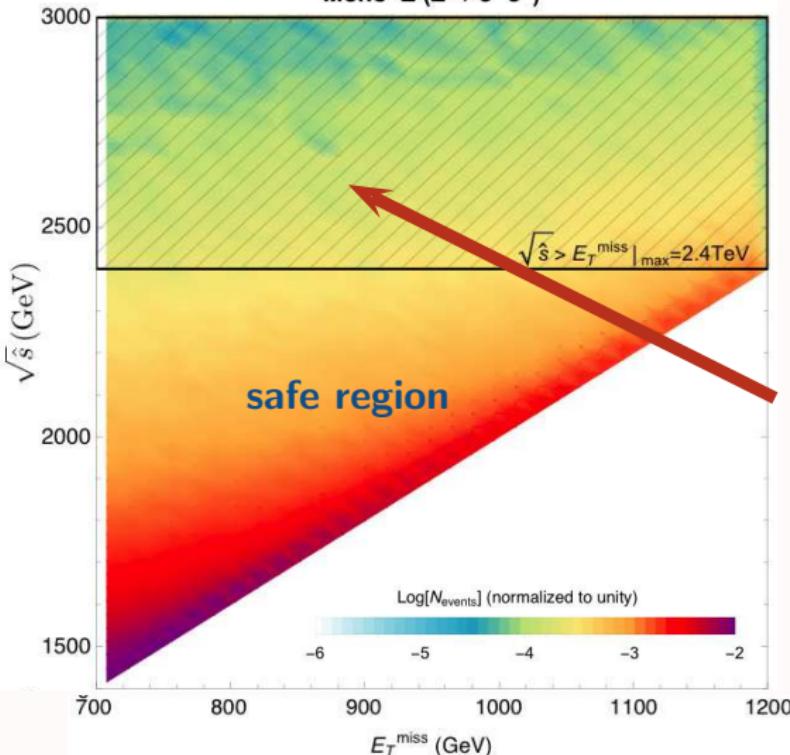
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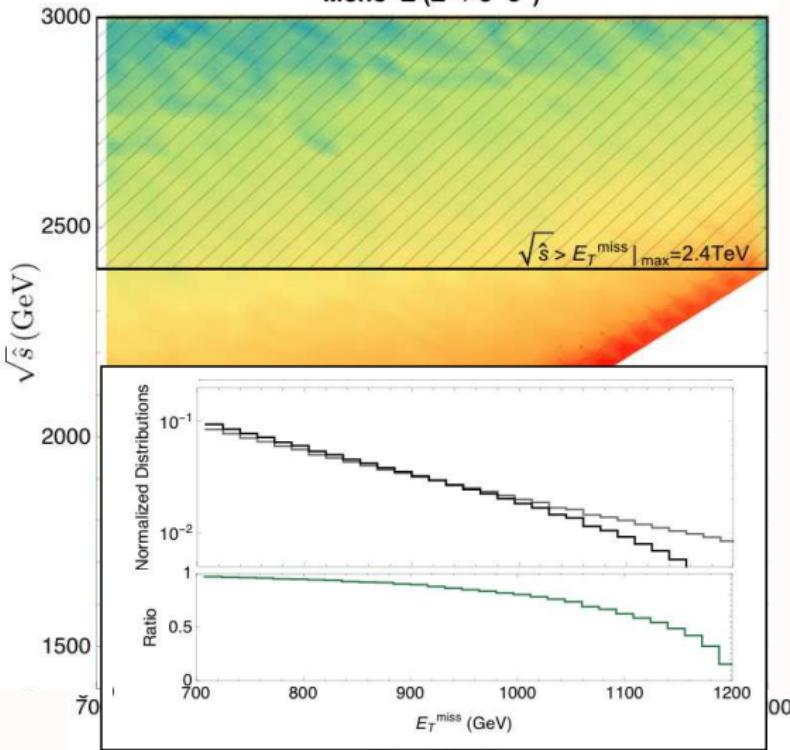
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in the $(\cancel{E}_T, \sqrt{\hat{s}})$ plane

these events have been
included but the EFT is
not valid here!

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removing them reshapes
the signal distribution



few % correction on our
 C_i/f_a limits
(larger for weaker limits)

Observables/Processes		Parameters contributing													
		Linear		Non-Linear											
	Astrophysical obs. $g_{a\gamma\gamma}$	$c_{\tilde{W}}$	$c_{\tilde{B}}$	$c_{\tilde{W}}$	$c_{\tilde{B}}$										
	Rare meson decays	$c_{\tilde{W}}$	$c_{a\Phi}$	$c_{\tilde{W}}$	c_{2D}	c_2	c_6	c_8					c_{17}		
New constraints	LEP data														
	BSM Z width $\Gamma(Z \rightarrow a\gamma)$	$c_{\tilde{W}}$	$c_{\tilde{B}}$	$c_{\tilde{W}}$	$c_{\tilde{B}}$	c_1	c_2	c_7							
	LHC processes														
	Non-standard h decays $\Gamma(h \rightarrow aZ)$				\tilde{a}_{2D}		\tilde{a}_3		\tilde{a}_{10}		\tilde{a}_{11-14}	\tilde{a}_{17}			
	Mono- Z prod. $pp \rightarrow aZ$	$c_{\tilde{W}}$	$c_{\tilde{B}}$	$c_{a\Phi}$	$c_{\tilde{W}}$	$c_{\tilde{B}}$	c_{2D}	c_1	c_2	c_3	c_7	c_{10}	c_{11-14}	c_{17}	
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	$a t\bar{t}$ prod. $pp \rightarrow a t\bar{t}$				c_{2D}										

mono W/Z: statistical analysis

binned likelihood analysis

$$L^\ell(\mu_i) = \prod_k e^{-(\mu_i s_k^i + b_k)} \frac{(\mu_i s_k^i + b_k)^{n_k}}{n_k!}$$

$\mu_i \equiv (c_i/f_a)^2$
 $\ell = e, \mu$
 b_k
 s_k^i final state lepton
background pred.
signal pred. $C_i = 1, f_a = 1$ TeV

significance: $Q_{\mu_i}^\ell \equiv -2 \log \left[\frac{L^\ell(\mu_i)}{L^\ell(\hat{\mu}_i)} \right]$ $\hat{\mu}_i$ = the value of μ_i that maximizes $L^\ell(\mu_i)$

with systematics on the background prediction

$$L_S^\ell(\mu_i) = \prod_k \int_0^\infty dr \frac{e^{-\frac{(r-1)^2}{2\sigma_k^2}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_k} e^{-(\mu_i s_k^i + r b_k)} \frac{(\mu_i s_k^i + r b_k)^{n_k}}{n_k!},$$

σ_k = background systematic uncertainty

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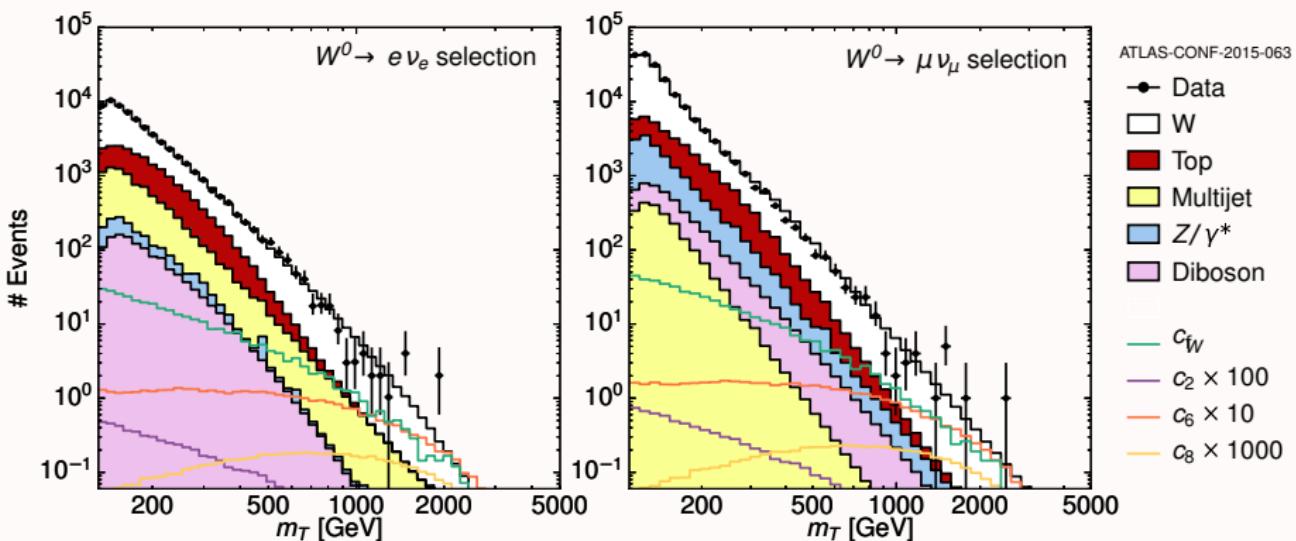
mono-W analysis

[b] Selection cuts: ATLAS-CONF-2015-063

	e	μ
$p_T > (\text{GeV})$	65	55
$\cancel{E}_T > (\text{GeV})$	65	55
$m_T >$	130	110

Constraints on $C_{\tilde{W}}$

	e	μ
$(f_a/c_{\tilde{W}})_{\min}$ [TeV]	1.28	1.65
$(f_a/c_{\tilde{W}})_{\min}$ [TeV] [No Syst.]	1.72	2.46



mono-Z analysis

Selection cuts CMS-PAS-EXO-16-010

$$p_T^\ell > 20 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_\ell| < 2.5, p_T^{\ell\ell} > 50 \text{ GeV}$$

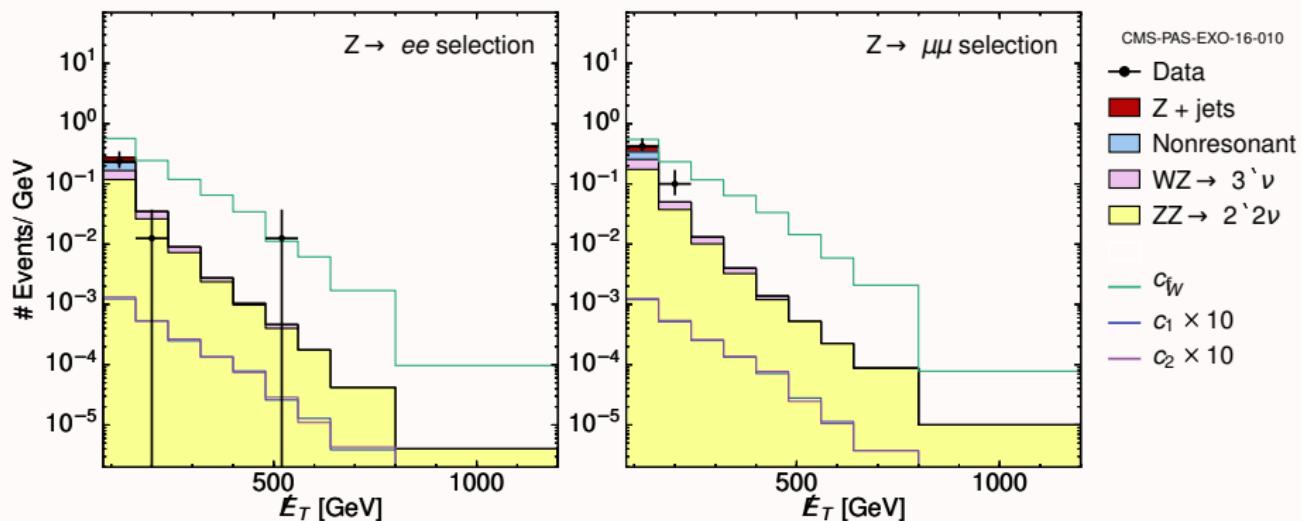
$$m_{\ell\ell} \in [80, 100] \text{ GeV}, \cancel{E}_T > 80 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\left| \cancel{E}_T - p_T^{\ell\ell} \right| / p_T^{\ell\ell} < 0.2, \Delta\phi_{\ell\ell, \cancel{E}_T} > 2.7 \text{ (rad)}$$

+ 3rd-lepton and extra high- p_T jets vetoes

Constraints on $C_{\tilde{W}}$

	e	μ
$(f_a/c_{\tilde{W}})_{\min} [\text{TeV}]$	3.77	2.54
$(f_a/c_{\tilde{W}})_{\min} [\text{TeV}]$ [No Syst.]	3.79	2.54



mono W/Z projections

		$c_{\tilde{W}}$ (mono-Z)			
ℓ		e		μ	
Luminosity [fb $^{-1}$]		300	3000	300	3000
f_a/c_i [TeV]		10.5	15.87	9.77	14.37
f_a/c_i [TeV] [Syst. $\times 1/2$]		11.14	18.45	10.38	16.7
f_a/c_i [TeV] [No Syst.]		11.68	21.5	10.9	19.66

		c_6 (mono-W)		$c_{\tilde{W}}$ (mono-W)	
Luminosity [fb $^{-1}$]		300	3000	300	3000
f_a/c_i [TeV]		2.09	2.71	1.90	2.32
f_a/c_i [TeV] [Syst. $\times 1/2$]		2.35	3.44	2.29	3.01
f_a/c_i [TeV] [No Syst.]		2.60	4.68	3.43	6.10

aW γ analysis - technical details

Backgrounds

dominant: $p p \rightarrow W^\pm \gamma$ (with $W^\pm \rightarrow \ell^\pm \nu$)

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subdominant: (i) $W^\pm + \text{jets}$ → combined: increase $W^\pm \gamma$ bg by 15-25%
(ii) $Z \ell^+ \ell^-, Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu}$
(iii) $\gamma + \text{jets}$
(iv) $t\bar{t}$ (semileptonic)

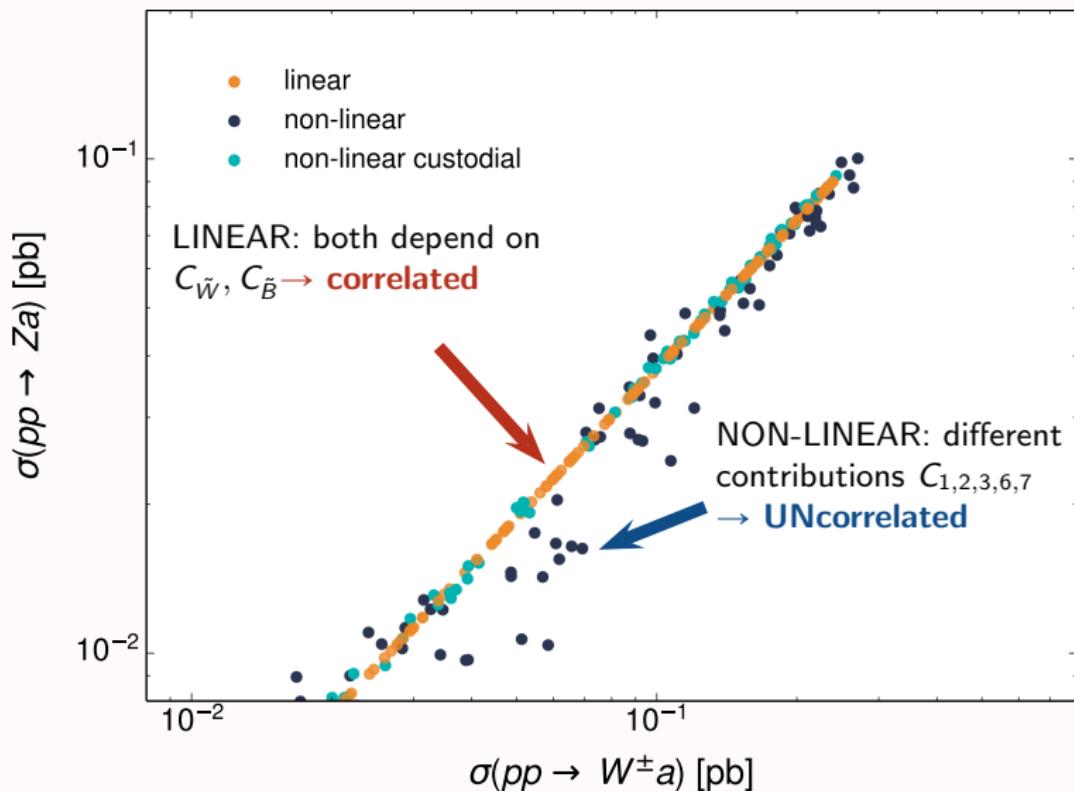
→ we scale up by 20% the measurement of $W^\pm \gamma$ SM

Selection cuts $p_T^\gamma > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $p_T^\ell > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta^\gamma| < 2.5$, $|\eta^\ell| < 2.5$, $\cancel{E}_T > 200 \text{ GeV}$.

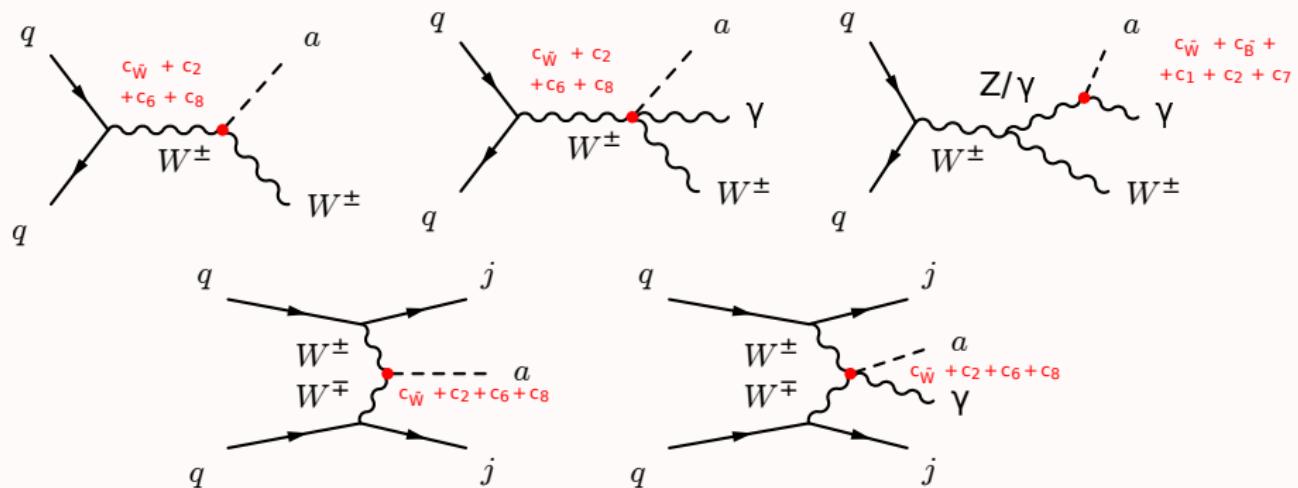
$$\text{significance } \sigma_i = \sqrt{2 \left[(\mu_i s_i + b) \ln \left(1 + \frac{\mu_i s_i}{b} \right) - \mu_i s_i \right]}$$

$$\text{with } s_i = \mathcal{L} \times \int_{\cancel{E}_T^{\min}}^{f_a/2} \frac{d\sigma_i}{d\cancel{E}_T} d\cancel{E}_T, \quad b = \mathcal{L} \times \int_{\cancel{E}_T^{\min}}^{f_a/2} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{SM}}}{d\cancel{E}_T} d\cancel{E}_T, \quad \mathcal{L} = \text{integrated lumi}$$

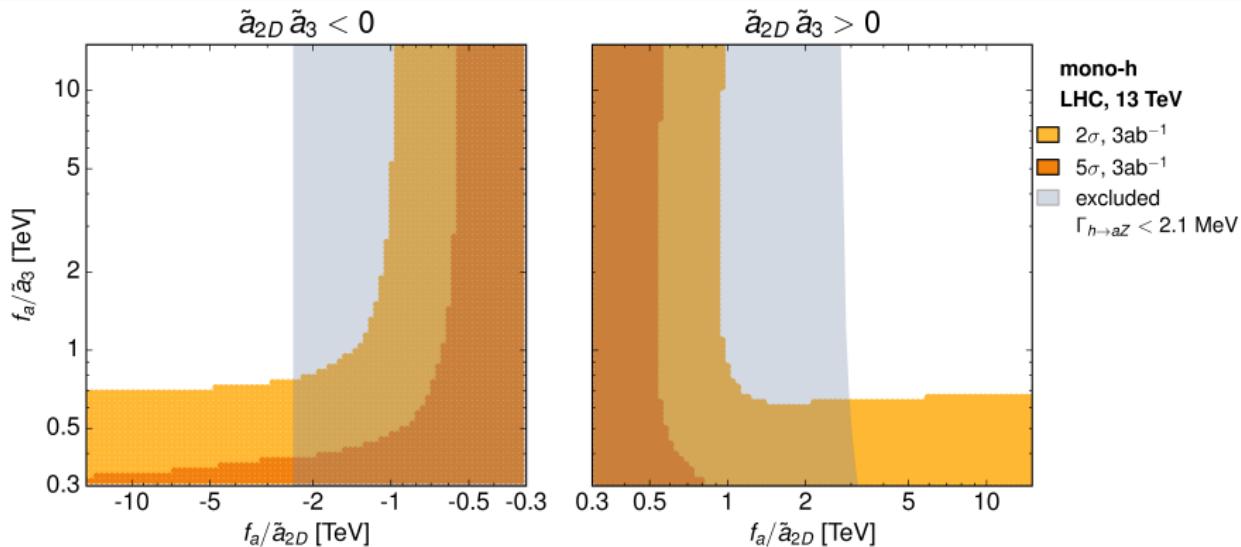
mono-W vs mono-Z



Combination of $aW(\gamma)$ and $ajj(\gamma)$ in VBF



mono-Higgs with both c_{2D} and c_3



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$$\mathcal{Q}_{\tilde{G}} = -G_{\mu\nu}^A \tilde{G}^{A\mu\nu} \frac{a}{f_a}$$

$$\mathcal{Q}_\psi = \bar{\psi} \gamma_\mu \psi \frac{\partial^\mu a}{f_a}, \quad \psi = \{\ell_L, q_L, u_R, d_R, e_R\}$$

where \mathcal{Q}_ψ has generic flavor contractions

→ \mathcal{Q}_{aH} becomes redundant

Complete basis: non-linear

Additional fermionic operators:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{B}_1^q &= \bar{Q}_L \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial_\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \partial^\mu \mathcal{F}(h) & \mathbf{B}_1^\ell &= \bar{L}_L \mathbf{U} L_R \partial_\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \partial^\mu \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_2^q &= \bar{Q}_L \mathbf{T} \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial_\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \partial^\mu \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_3^q &= \bar{Q}_L \mathbf{V}_\mu \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_4^q &= \bar{Q}_L \{\mathbf{V}_\mu, \mathbf{T}\} \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) & \mathbf{B}_2^\ell &= \bar{L}_L \{\mathbf{V}_\mu, \mathbf{T}\} \mathbf{U} L_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_5^q &= \bar{Q}_L [\mathbf{V}_\mu, \mathbf{T}] \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) & \mathbf{B}_3^\ell &= \bar{L}_L [\mathbf{V}_\mu, \mathbf{T}] \mathbf{U} L_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_6^q &= \bar{Q}_L \mathbf{T} \mathbf{V}_\mu \mathbf{T} \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_7^q &= \bar{Q}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} \mathbf{V}_\mu \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_8^q &= \bar{Q}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} \{\mathbf{V}_\mu, \mathbf{T}\} \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) & \mathbf{B}_4^\ell &= \bar{L}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} \{\mathbf{V}_\mu, \mathbf{T}\} \mathbf{U} L_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_9^q &= \bar{Q}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} [\mathbf{V}_\mu, \mathbf{T}] \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) & \mathbf{B}_5^\ell &= \bar{L}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} [\mathbf{V}_\mu, \mathbf{T}] \mathbf{U} L_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h) \\ \mathbf{B}_{10}^q &= \bar{Q}_L \sigma^{\mu\nu} \mathbf{T} \mathbf{V}_\mu \mathbf{T} \mathbf{U} Q_R \partial^\mu \frac{a}{f_a} \mathcal{F}(h)\end{aligned}$$

with these terms, the bosonic $\mathcal{A}_8, \mathcal{A}_{11}, \mathcal{A}_{13}, \mathcal{A}_{17}$ become redundant