

SMEFT fits

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Energy & precision for BSM

2010s: energy

Direct (bumps)

2020s: intensity

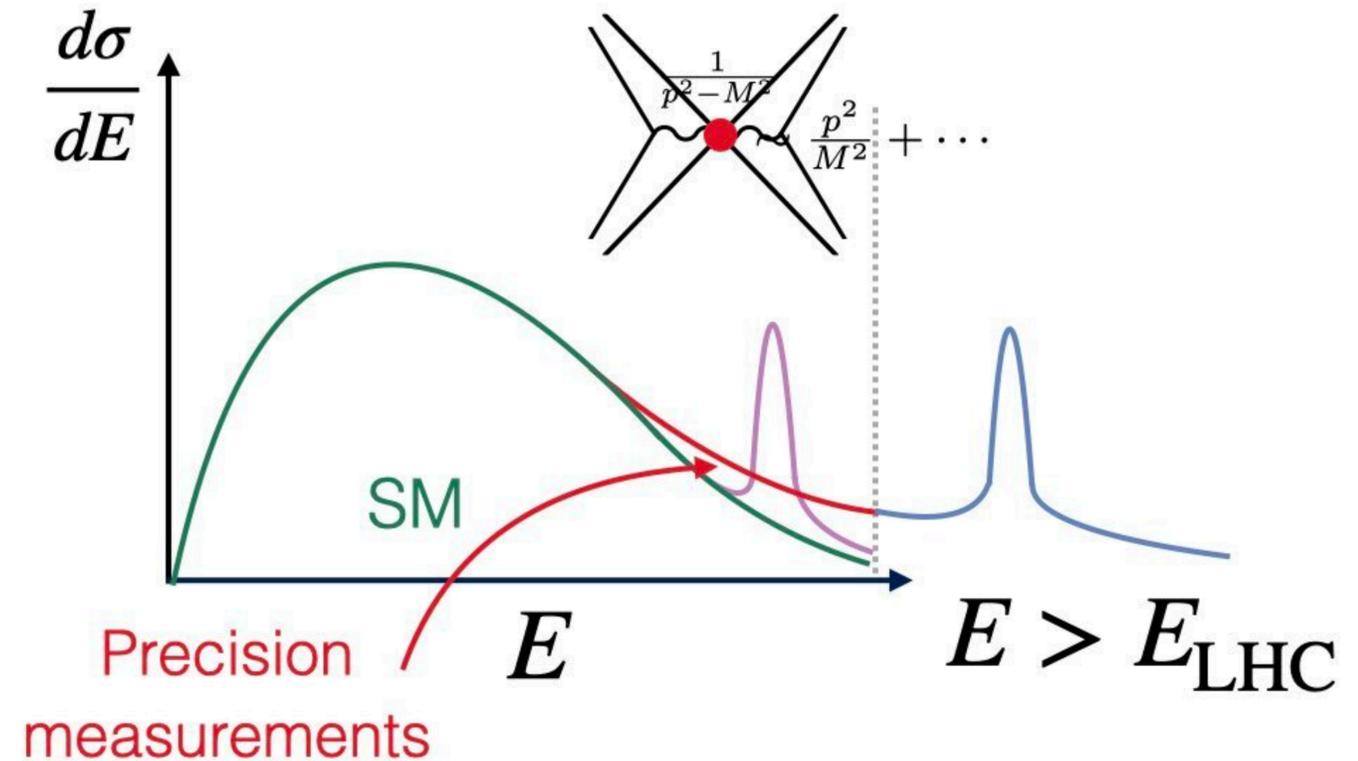
Indirect (tails/precision)

⇒ New physics is heavy

Heavy new physics

Precision measurements

High energy



Effective Field Theory (EFT)

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{BSM}}^n(E, M) \sim E^{4-n} \left(a_0 + a_1 \frac{E}{M} + a_2 \frac{E^2}{M^2} + \dots \right), \quad E \ll M$$

SMEFT: SM v2.0

$$\begin{array}{l}
 (\bar{F} \sigma_{\mu\nu} f \tilde{\varphi}) V^{\mu\nu} \\
 (\bar{f} \gamma_\mu f)(\bar{F} \gamma^\mu F) \\
 (\bar{F} f \tilde{\varphi})(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)
 \end{array}
 \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_{i,D} \frac{c_i^{(D)} \mathcal{O}_i^{(D)}}{\Lambda^{D-4}}
 \begin{array}{l}
 (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^3 \\
 i(\varphi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \varphi)(\bar{f} \gamma^\mu f) \\
 (\varphi^\dagger \varphi) V^{\mu\nu} V_{\mu\nu}
 \end{array}$$

BSM particle masses M



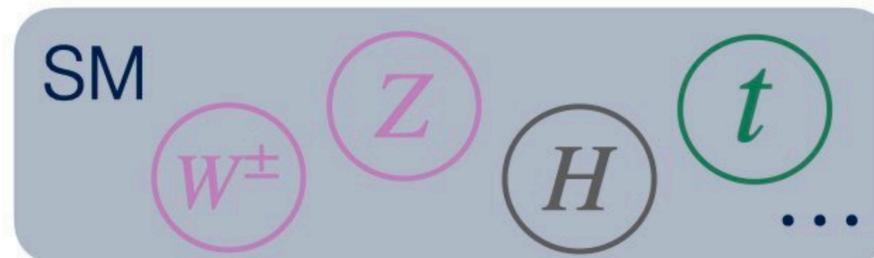
Generic new physics scale Λ

Taylor expansion of \mathcal{A}_{BSM}



Tower of operators $\mathcal{O}_i^{(D)}$

$\mathcal{O}_i^{(D)} \supset$



Low energy (SM) fields & symmetries

Model parameters $\{g_{\text{BSM}}^i, M_k\}$ \iff *Wilson coefficients $\frac{c_j^{(D)}}{\Lambda^{D-4}} (g_{\text{BSM}}^i, M_k)$*

measure g_i : new physics model parameters

“Matching”

measure c_i : coupling strengths of new BSM interactions

SMEFT is...

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_i \frac{c_i \mathcal{O}_i^D}{\Lambda^{D-4}}$$

Model independent

- Underlying assumptions

*Heavy new physics: $M > E_{\text{exp}}$
SM field content & gauge symmetries
Linear EWSB: Higgs = doublet*

Systematically improvable

- Double expansion *higher dim.* $\frac{E^2}{\Lambda^2}$ & $\{g_s, g, g'\}$ *more loops*

Global

- **Model independence:** we don't know what operators NP will generate
- *Patterns & correlations* among observables are key
- **Ultimate goal:** complete *SMEFT likelihood* confronted with HEP data

EWPO, Higgs, multiboson, top, DY, flavor, ...

$\mathcal{L}(c_i) \Rightarrow$ **indirectly constrain many UV models**

SMEFT interpretation (fits)

Improving new physics reach means improving...

O_n
observables

$$\Delta o_n = o_n^{\text{EXP}} - o_n^{\text{SM}} = \sum_i \frac{a_{n,i}^{(6)}(\mu) c_i^{(6)}(\mu)}{\Lambda^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda^3}\right)$$

Global nature

As many observables as possible

Identify patterns & correlations in fits

Exploit energy-growth

Sensitivity

Experiment:

Best measurements & understanding of uncertainties and correlations

Theory:

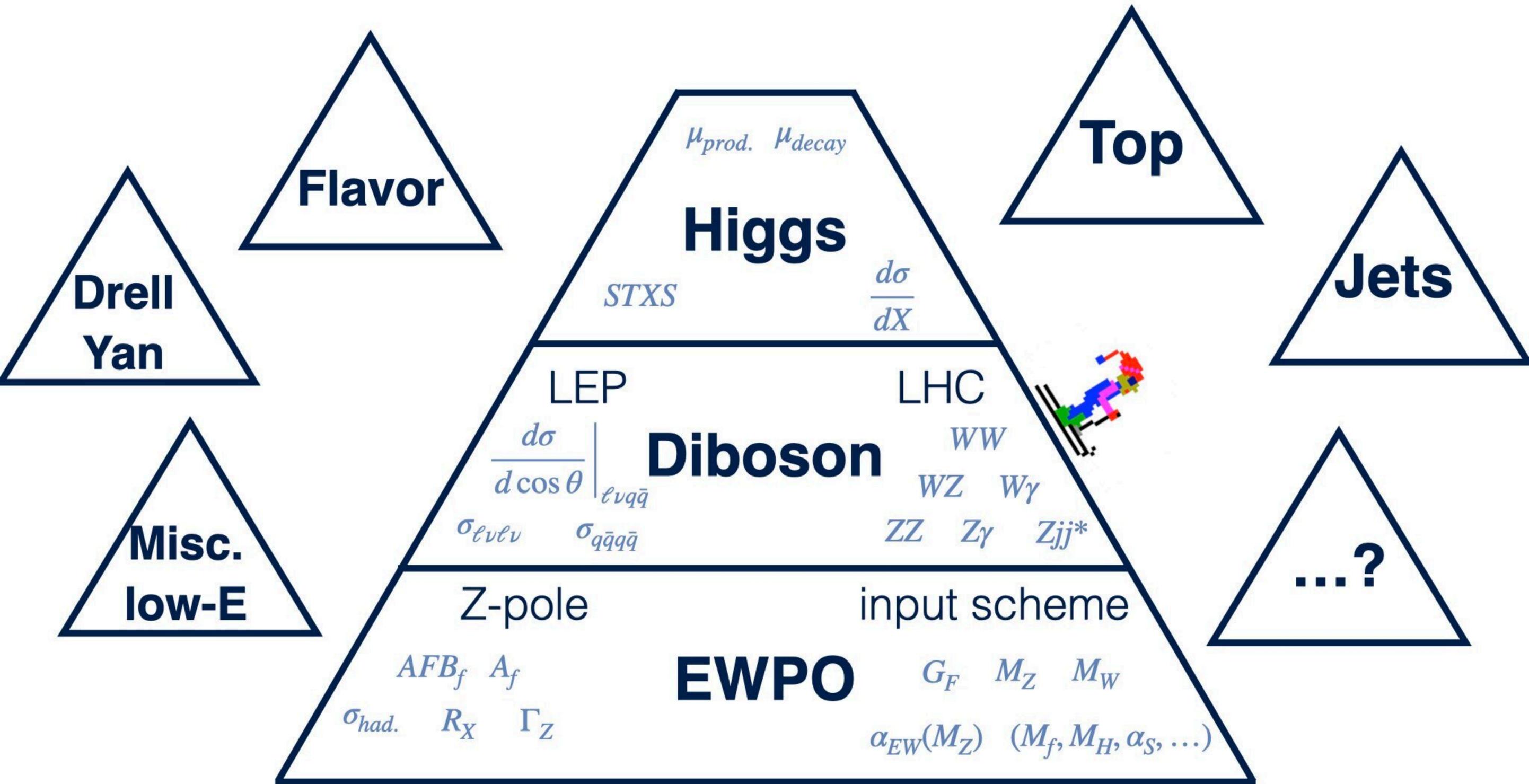
Best available predictions for observables (NLO, NNLO, N3LO,...)

Interpretation

Relies on accurate knowledge of the size & correlation among a_i

Determining $c_i^{(6)}$ requires most precise available SMEFT predictions

Datasets



Breadth and sensitivity

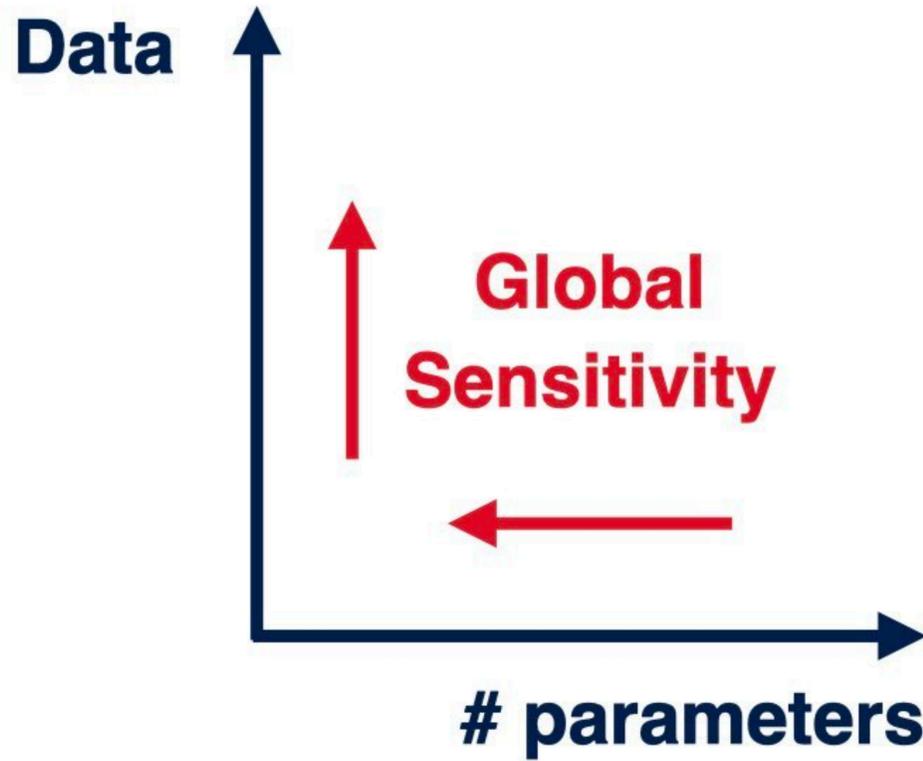
[Buchmuller & Wyler; Nucl. Phys. B 268 (1986) 621]

Dimension-6 SMEFT [Grzadkowski et al.; 1008.4884]

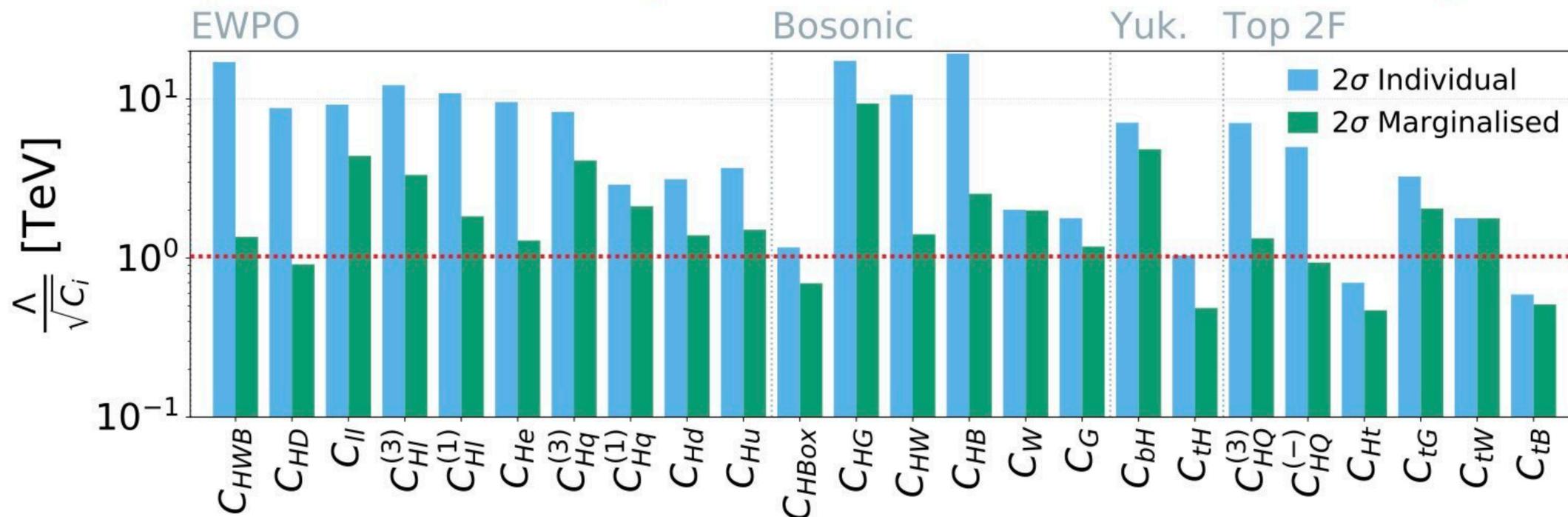
- O(3000) parameters (independent operators)

Symmetry assumptions

- B/L conservation
- CP conservation
- Flavor symmetries
 - $U(3)_L \times U(3)_Q \times U(3)_e \times U(3)_u \times U(3)_d$
 - $U(3)_L \times U(2)_Q \times U(3)_e \times U(2)_u \times U(3)_d$
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fitmaker: [Ellis et al.; 2012.02779]



TeV-scale new physics

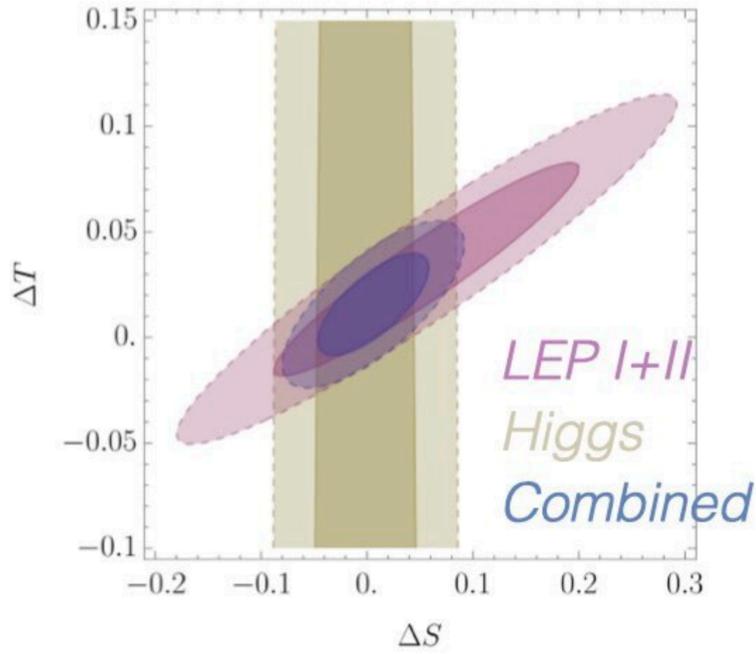
Hierarchies in sensitivity

EWPO \gtrsim
 Diboson/Higgs $>$
 Top

Interplay

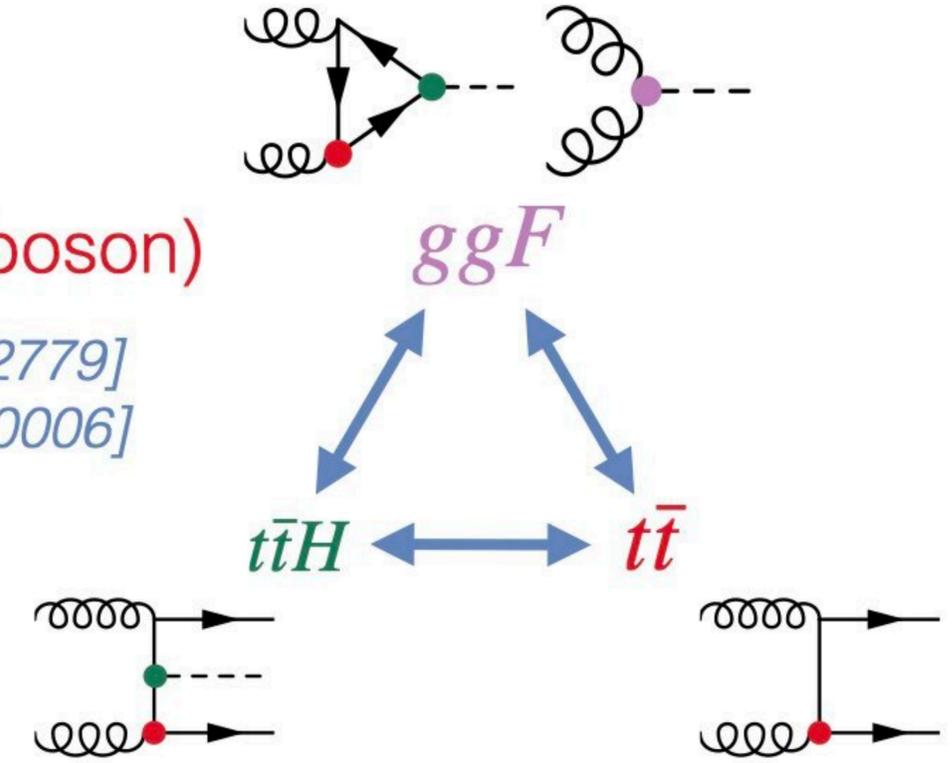
Higgs & EWPO

[Ellis et al.; 1803.03252]



Top & Higgs (EWPO, Diboson)

fitmaker: [Ellis et al.; 2012.02779]
SMEFIT: [Ethier et al; 2105.00006]



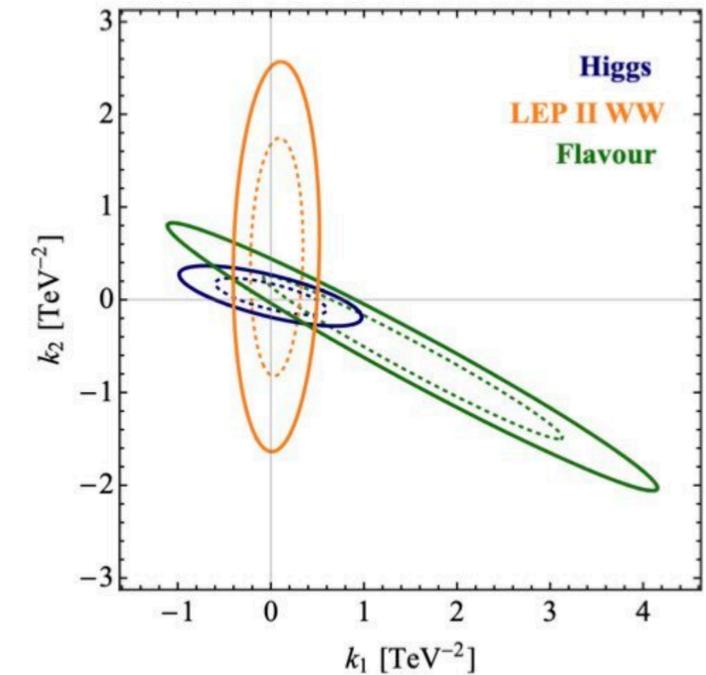
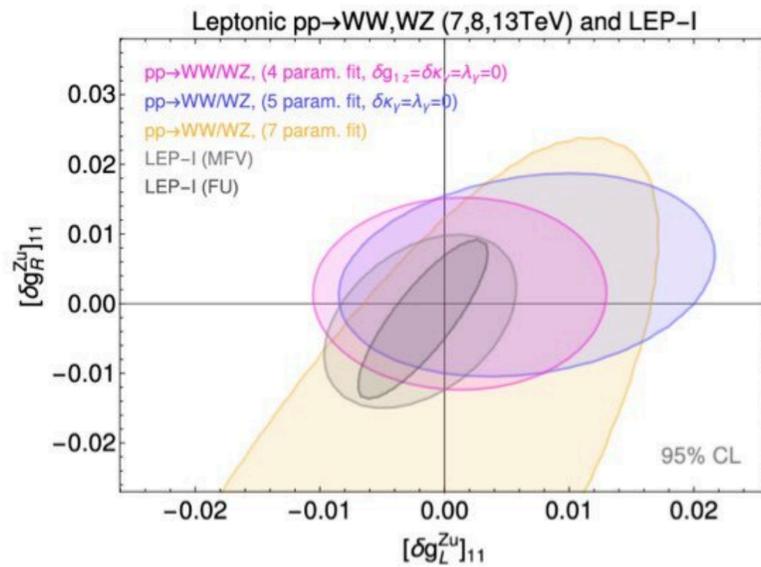
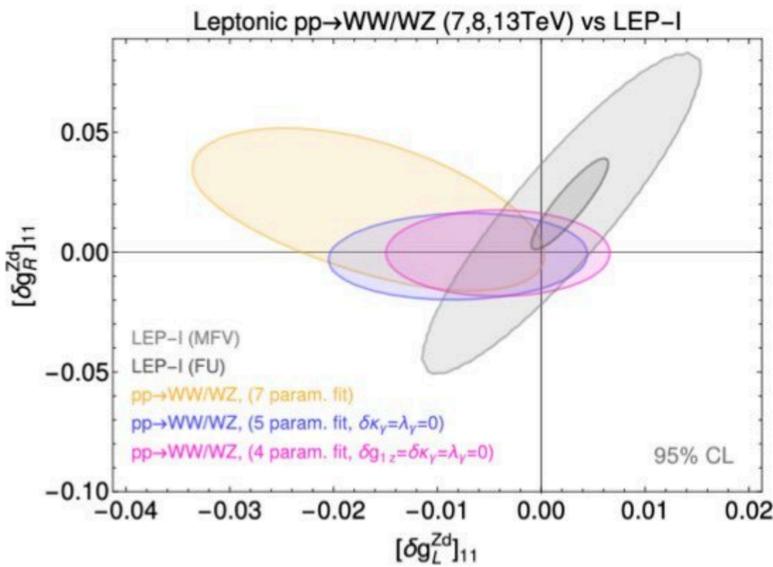
Where does being global matter?

Diboson & EWPO

[Grojean, Montull & Riemann; 1810.05149]

Flavor, LEP II & Higgs

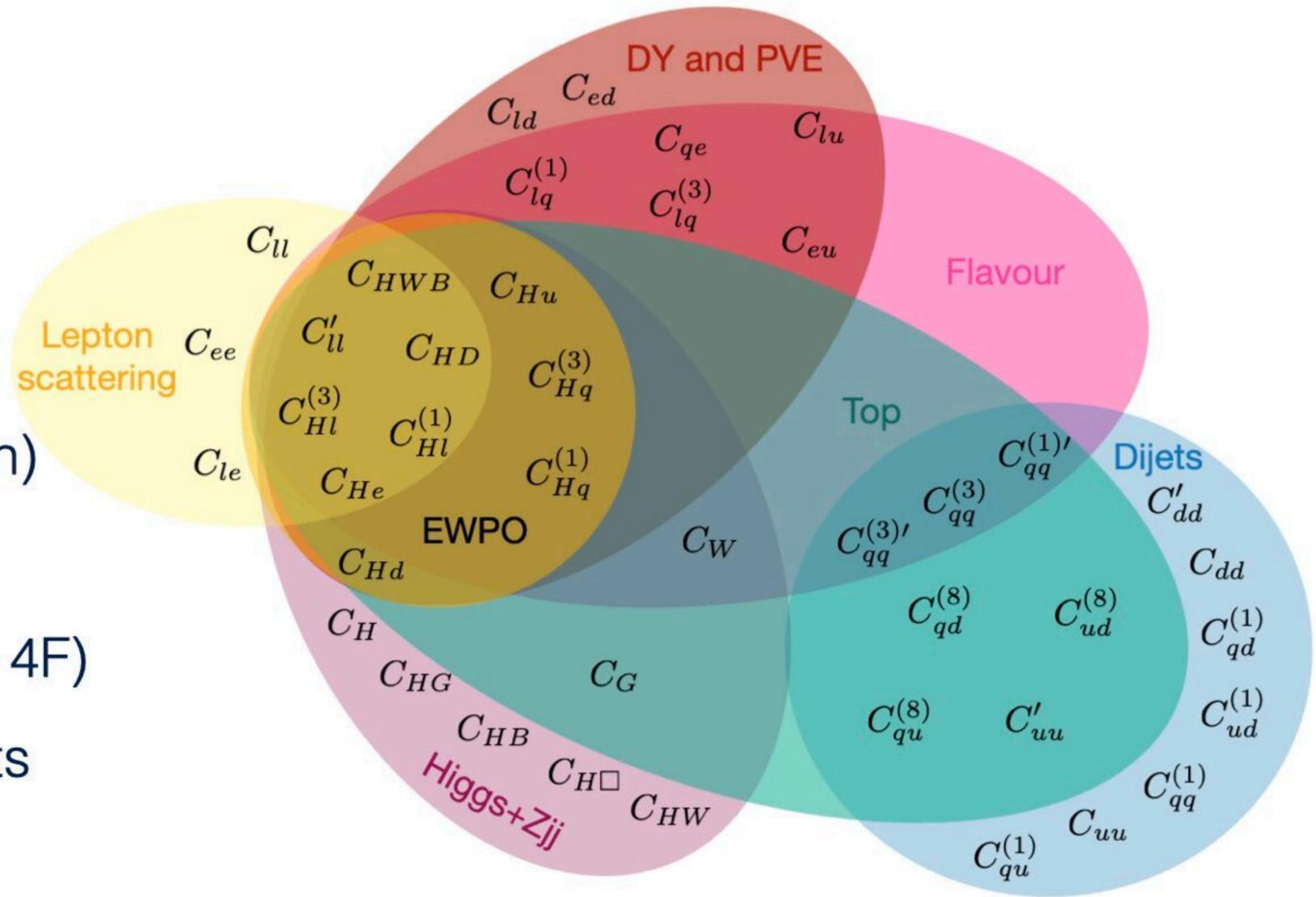
[Aoude, Hurth, Renner & Shepherd; 2003.05432]



MFV fit

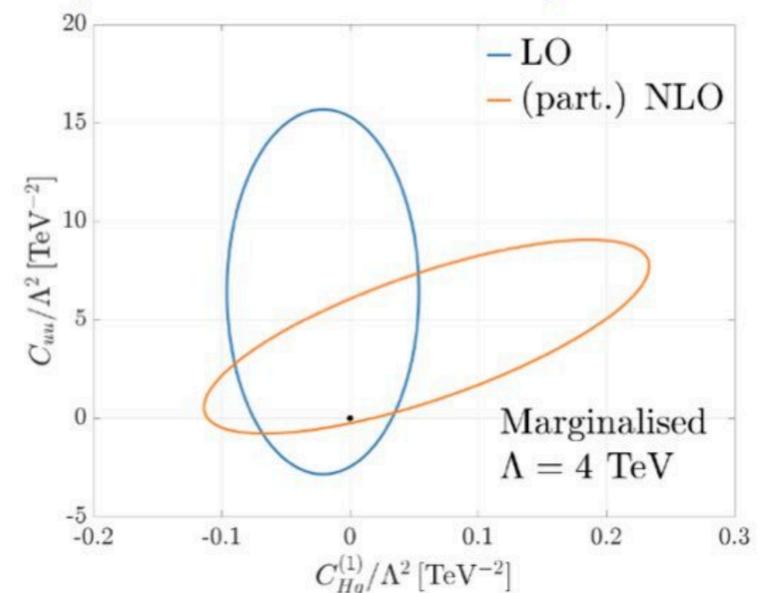
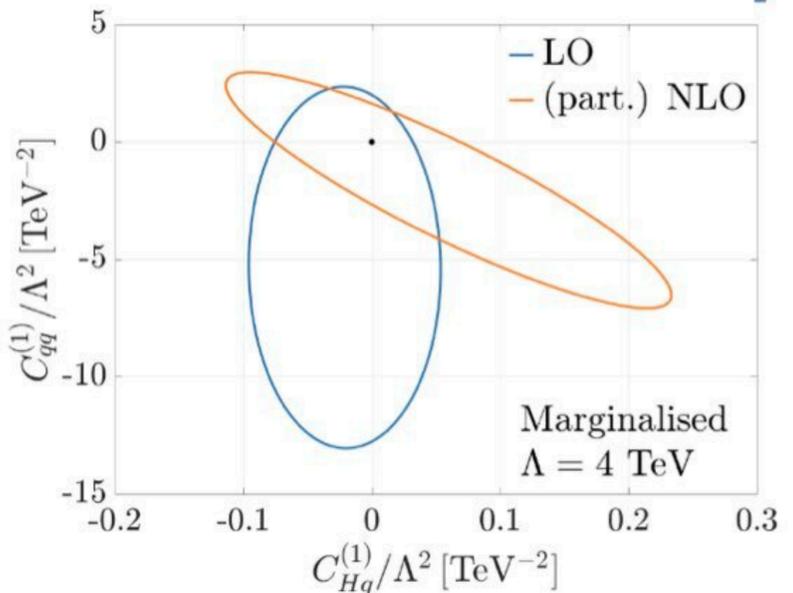
Global fit to the MFV SMEFT

- Exact $U(3)^5$: 41 operators (CP even)
- No LR interactions (Yukawa/dipole)
- Flavour universal interactions (2F & 4F)
- Synthesis of many public fit datasets

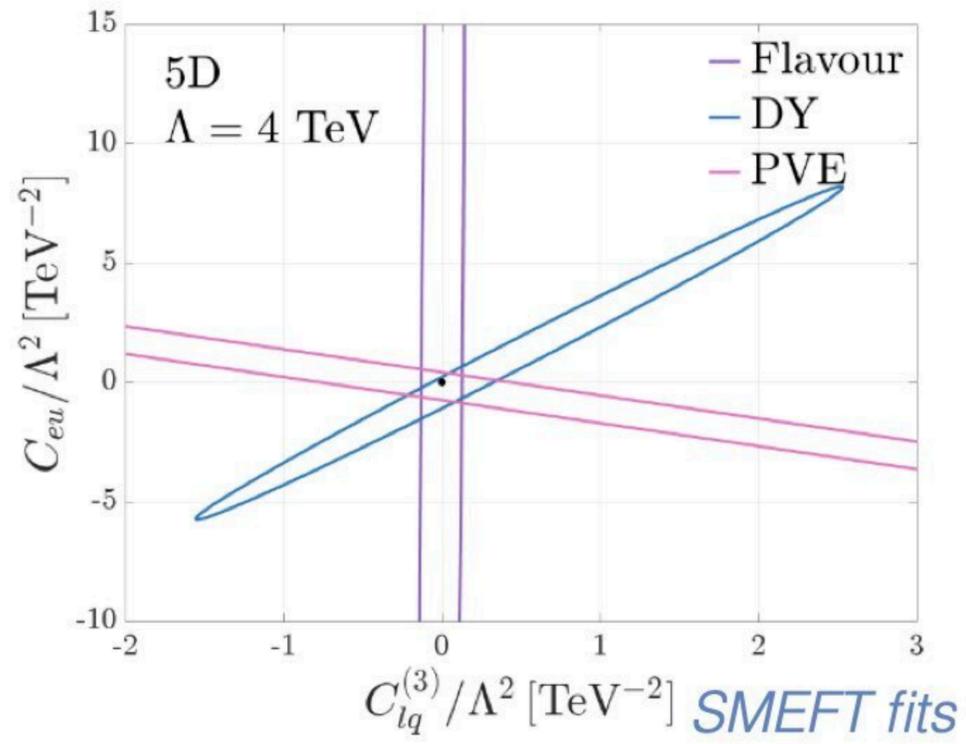


Partial NLO results

- EWPO (QCD & EW) [Dawson & Giardino; 1909.02000, 2201.09887]
- Selected Top/Higgs SMEFiT: [Ethier et al; 2105.00006]
- [Alasfar, de Blas & Gröber; 2202.02333]



Low/high p_T interplay

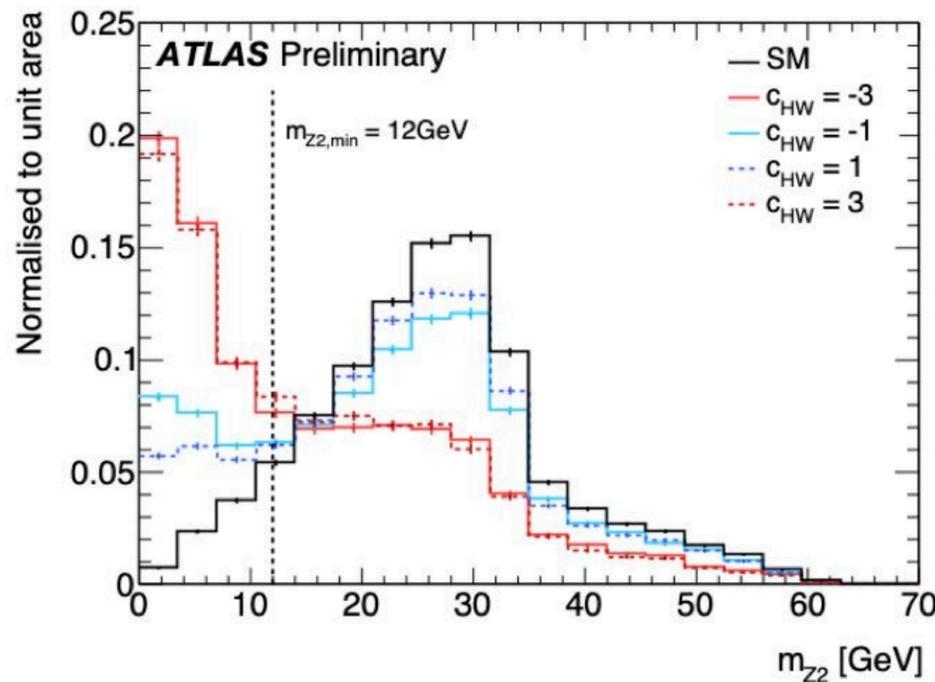


Experimental fits

Z-pole @ LEP + Diboson @ LHC & Higgs STXS

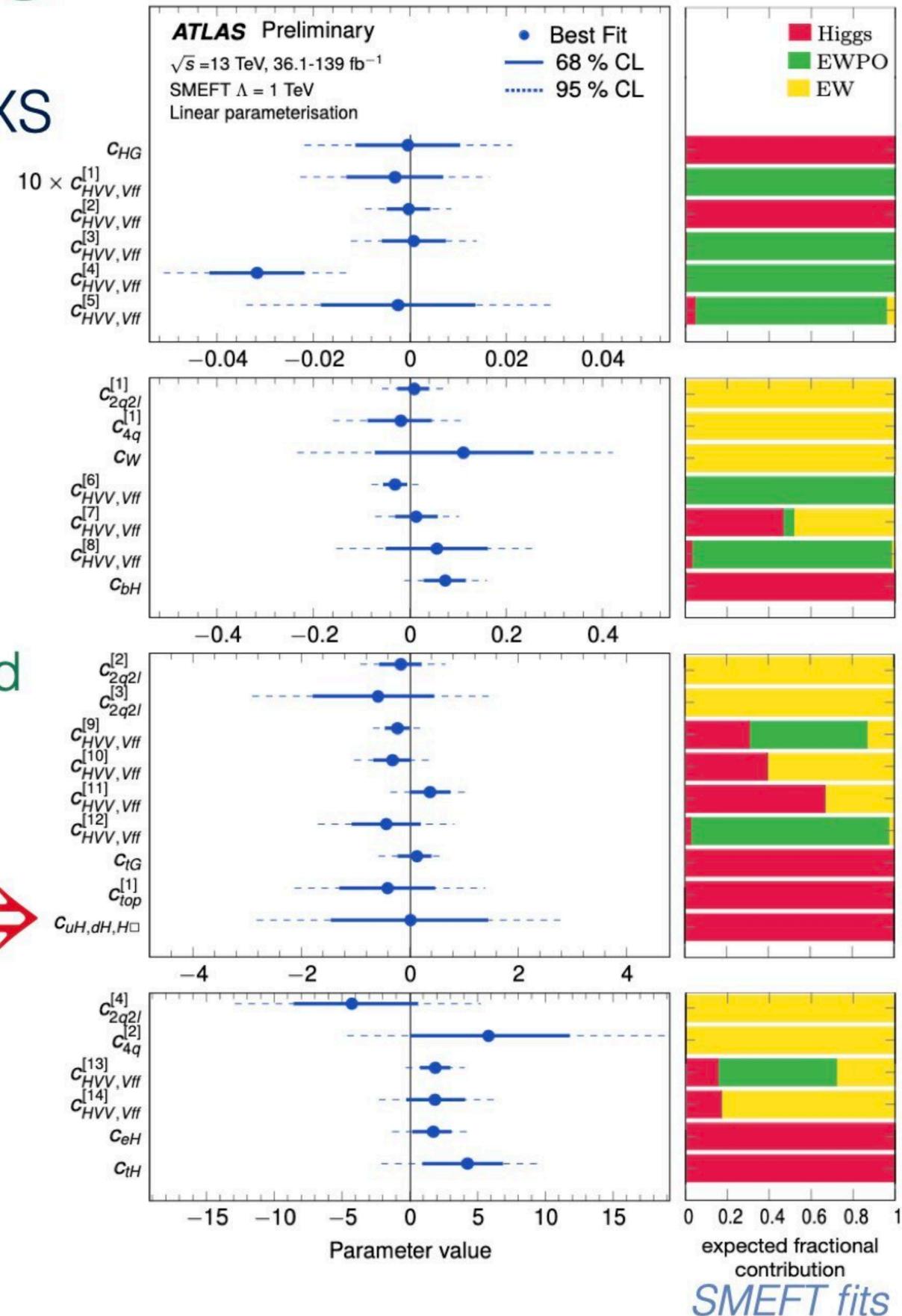
- First experimental SMEFT combination of LHC & EWPO
- External inputs from theoretical literature
- Most sophisticated theoretical predictions for STXS

Acceptance effects



Under-constrained

Principal component analysis



Automated UV connection



matchmakereft



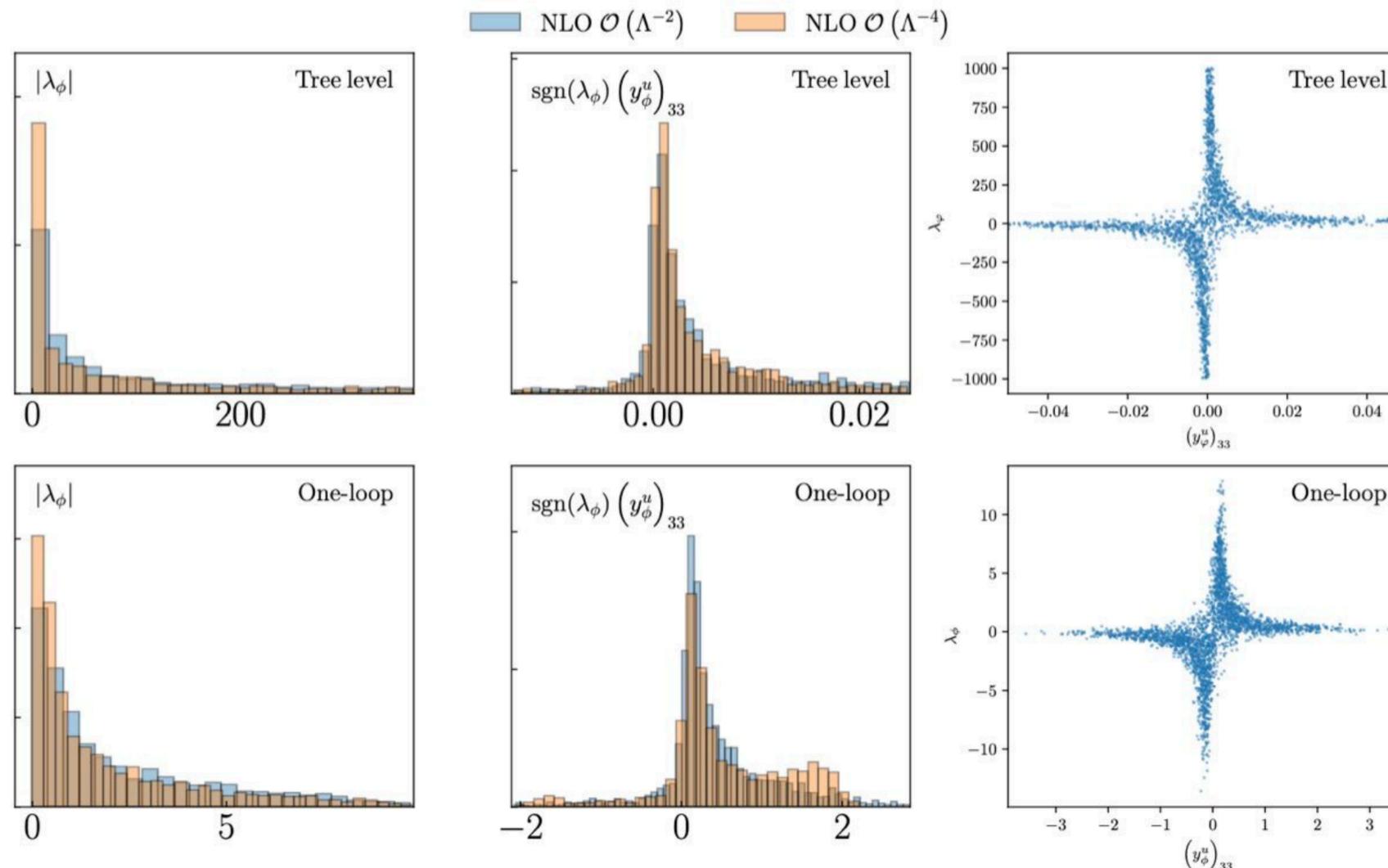
match2fit



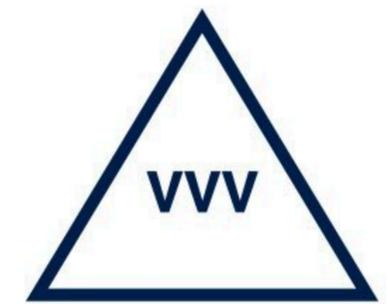
[Carmona et al.; 2112.10787]

[Giani et al.; 2302.06660]

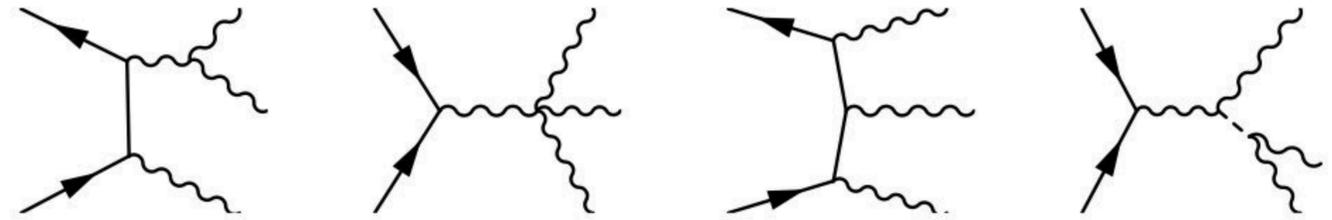
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{UV}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + |D_\mu \phi|^2 - m_\phi^2 \phi^\dagger \phi - \left((y_\phi^e)_{ij} \phi^\dagger \bar{e}_R^i \ell_L^j + (y_\phi^d)_{ij} \phi^\dagger \bar{d}_R^i q_L^j + (y_\phi^u)_{ij} \phi^\dagger i \sigma_2 \bar{q}_L^{T,i} u_R^j + \lambda_\phi \phi^\dagger \varphi |\varphi|^2 + \text{h.c.} \right)$$



Triboson in the SMEFT

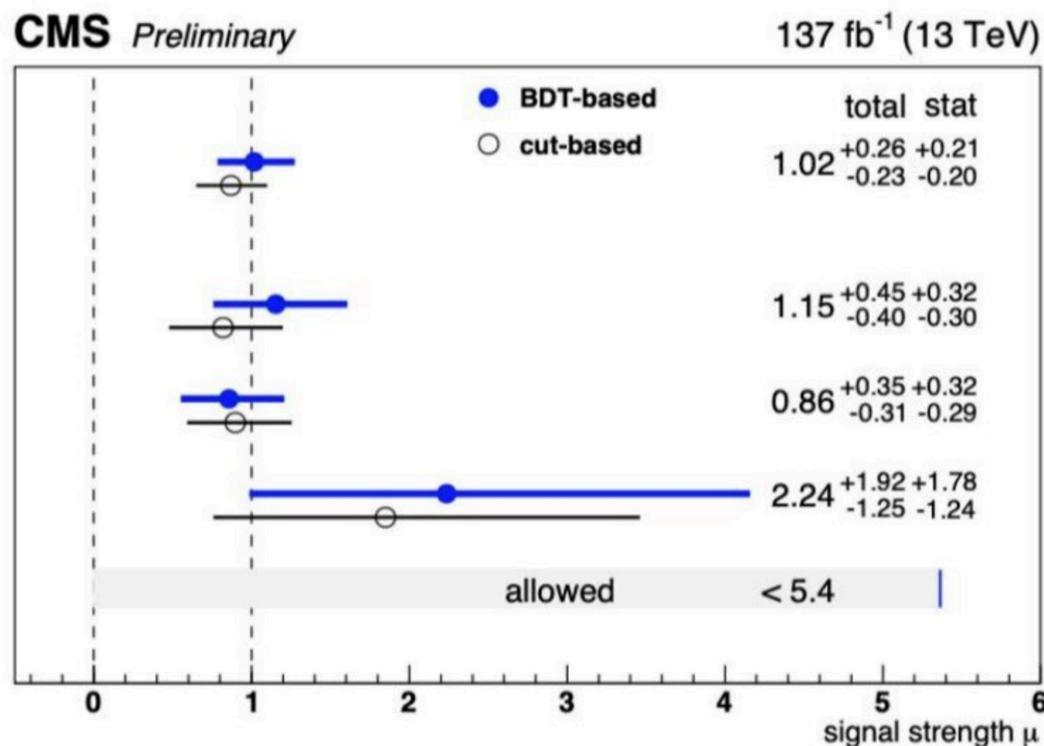


$$pp \rightarrow VVV, \quad V = W^\pm, Z, \gamma$$



Many VVV processes measured in recent years

- Sensitivity to many (B)SM couplings in production & decay [Degrande et al; 2008.11743]
[Bellan et al; 2303.18215]
- So far, only $\sigma_{tot.}$ in leptonic W/Z channels with 20-100% precision



[CMS; 2006.11191]

$$\mu_{WWW} = 1.61 \pm 0.19 \pm 0.16 \quad [ATLAS; 2201.13045]$$

$$\mu_{WZ\gamma} = 1.34 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.1 \quad [CMS; 2305.16994]$$

$$\mu_{W\gamma\gamma} = 1.01 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.15 \quad [ATLAS; 2308.03041]$$

$$\mu_{WW\gamma} = 1.31 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.21 \quad [CMS; 2310.05164]$$

What information do they bring to global SMEFT analyses?

Not very much...?



1,2 & 3 bosons: data

Sensitivity baseline: EWPO & LEP/LHC diboson

$$e^+e^- @ \sqrt{s} \simeq M_Z$$

$$\Gamma_Z = 2.495 \pm 0.0023 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{had.}} = 41.54 \pm 0.0037 \text{ nb}$$

$$R_\ell^0 = 20.77 \pm 0.025$$

$$A_{FB}^\ell = 0.00171 \pm 0.001$$

$$A_\ell(\text{SLD}) = 0.147 \pm 0.003$$

$$A_\ell(\text{Pt}) = 0.151 \pm 0.002$$

$$R_b^0 = 0.2163 \pm 0.0007$$

$$A_{FB}^b = 0.099 \pm 0.0016$$

$$A_b = 0.923 \pm 0.02$$

$$R_c^0 = 0.172 \pm 0.003$$

$$A_{FB}^c = 0.0707 \pm 0.0035$$

$$A_c = 0.67 \pm 0.027$$

[LEP; hep-ex/0509008]

$$e^+e^- @ \sqrt{s} = 183 - 209 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma(WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu, qqqq)$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta}(WW \rightarrow \ell\nu qq)$$

[L3; hep-ex/0409016]

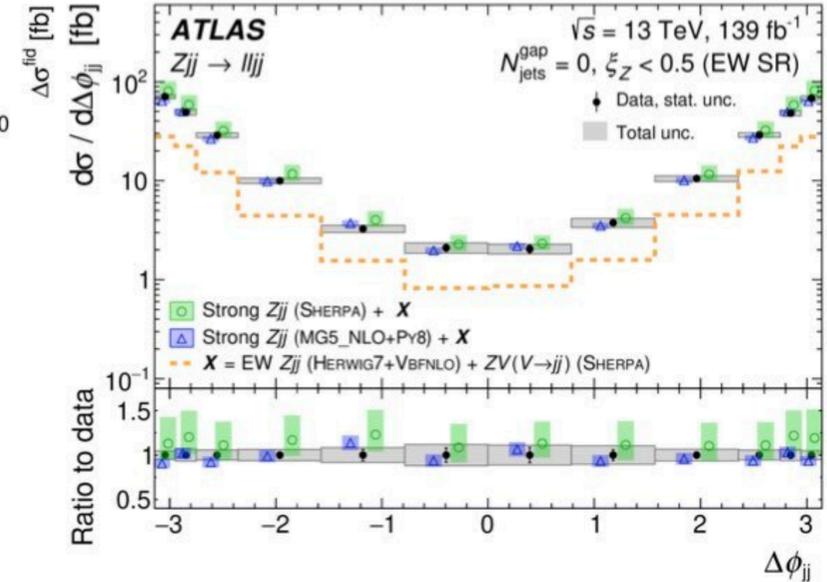
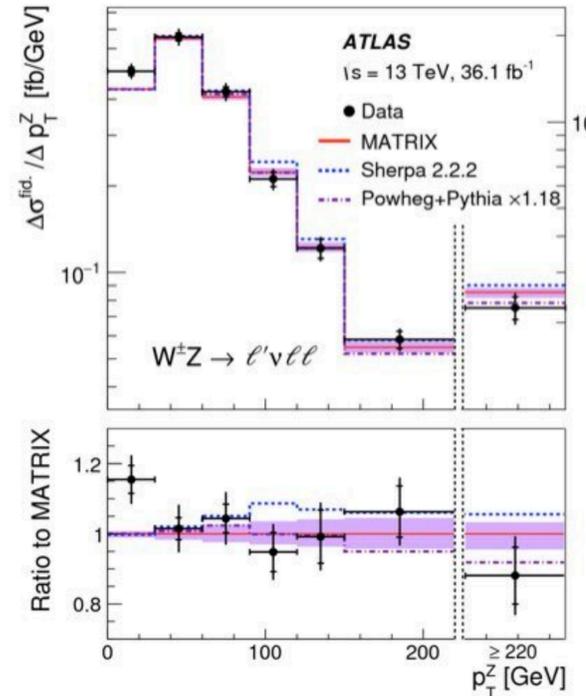
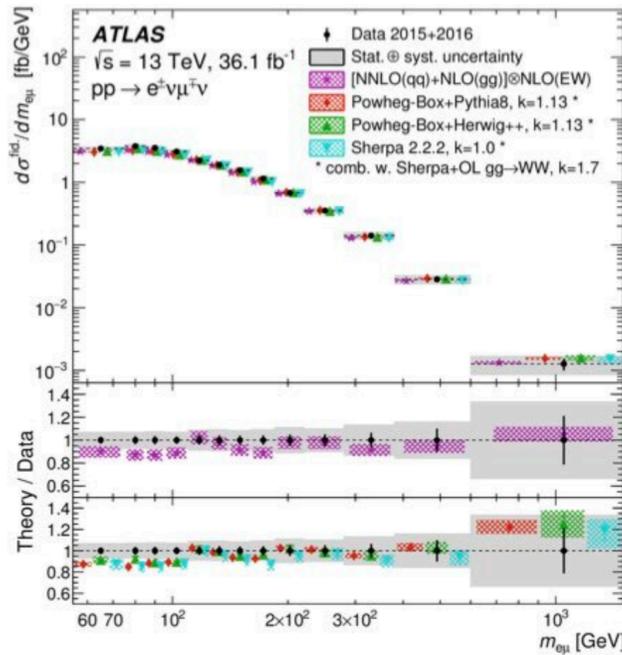
[OPAL; 0708.1311]

[ALEPH; CERN-PH-EP-2004-012]

[LEP; 1302.3415]

LHC @ $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$

$pp \rightarrow W^+W^- / WZ / Zjj$



$$\left. \frac{\alpha(M_Z)}{\alpha(M_Z)_{SM}} \right|_{\overline{MS}} = 0.998 \pm 0.0011$$

[PDG 2020-2021]

[ATLAS; 1905.04242] [ATLAS; 1902.05759] [ATLAS; 2006.15458]

1,2 & 3 bosons: model

Minimal, 11 parameter fit: 10 EWPO + triple gauge coupling

- Flavor universal, $U(3)^5$

Operator	Definition	EWPOs	LEP WW	LHC VV	VVV, VV γ , V $\gamma\gamma$
bosonic					
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi D}$	$(\phi^\dagger D^\mu \phi)^\dagger (\phi^\dagger D_\mu \phi)$	✓	✓	✓	✓
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi WB}$	$(\phi^\dagger \tau_I \phi) B^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^I$	✓	✓	✓	✓
\mathcal{O}_{WWW}	$\epsilon_{IJK} W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{J,\nu\rho} W_{\rho}^{K,\mu}$		✓	✓	✓
two-fermion					
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi q}^{(1)}$	$i(\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu q)$	✓		✓	✓
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi q}^{(3)}$	$i(\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \tau_I \phi)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu \tau^I q)$	✓	✓	✓	✓
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi u}$	$i(\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu u)$	✓		✓	✓
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi d}$	$i(\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu d)$	✓		✓	✓
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi \ell}^{(1)}$	$i(\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \ell)$	✓	✓	✓	✓
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi \ell}^{(3)}$	$i(\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \tau_I \phi)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \tau^I \ell)$	✓	✓	✓	✓
$\mathcal{O}_{\phi e}$	$i(\phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{e}\gamma^\mu e)$	✓	✓	✓	✓
four-fermion					
$\mathcal{O}_{\ell\ell}$	$(\bar{\ell}\gamma_\mu \ell)(\bar{\ell}\gamma^\mu \ell)$	✓	✓	✓	✓

Complete overlap between
 VVV & EWPO + VV

$$\delta_{EWPO} \sim 1 - 0.1\% \quad \delta_{VV} \sim 10\% \\
\delta_{VVV} \sim 100\%$$

VVV relatively poorly
 measured

Expectations:

- Minor gain from VVV
- Significant quadratic effects of $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$
- Linear approx. $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-2})$ good for EWPO

$$\sigma = \sigma_{SM} + \sum_i \sigma_i \frac{C_i}{\Lambda^2} + \sum_{j \geq i} \sigma_{ij} \frac{C_i C_j}{\Lambda^4}$$

Results

$$\sigma = \sigma_{SM} + \sum_i \sigma_i \frac{C_i}{\Lambda^2} + \sum_{j \geq i} \sigma_{ij} \frac{C_i C_j}{\Lambda^4}$$

LEP WW bounds are weak

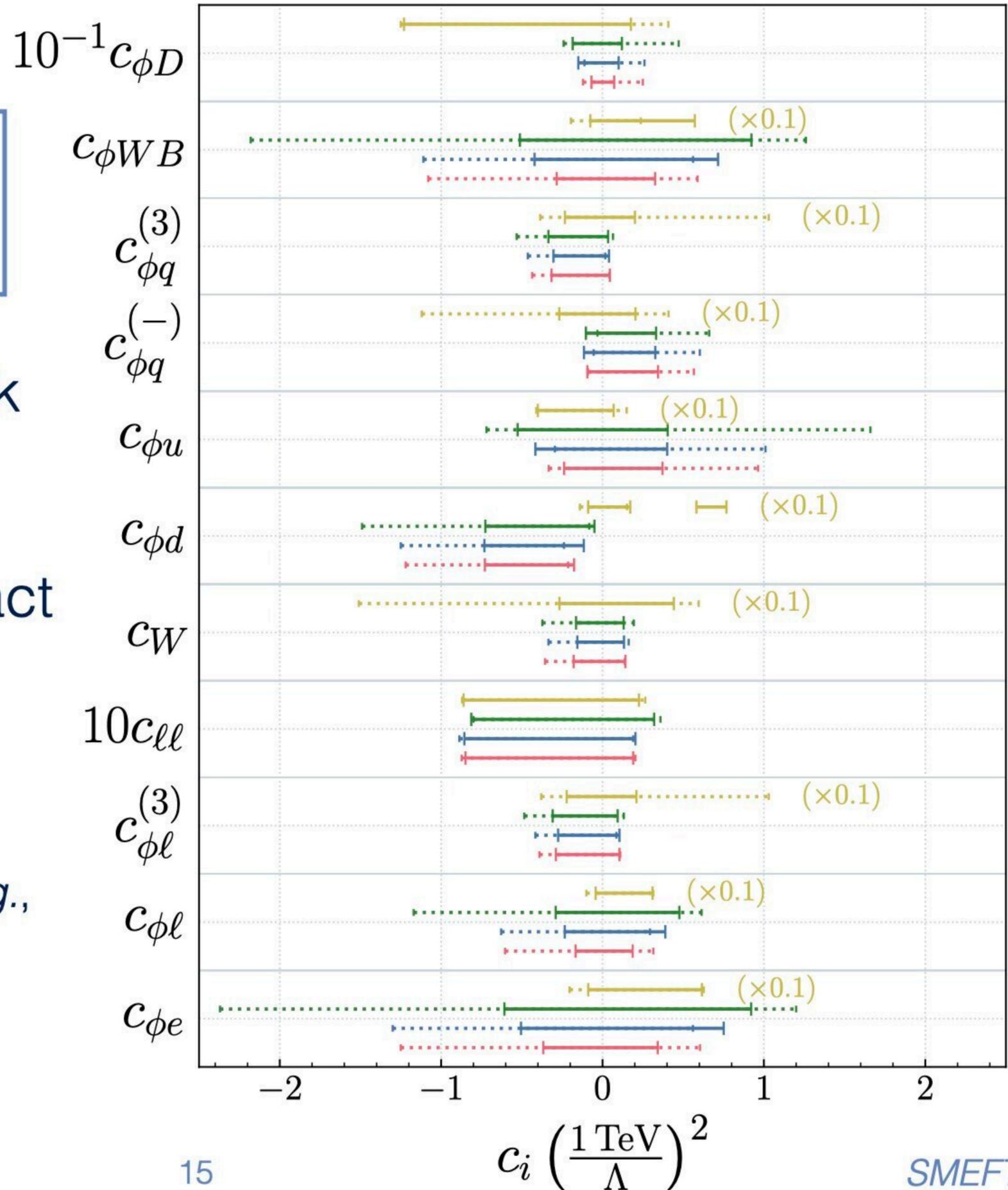
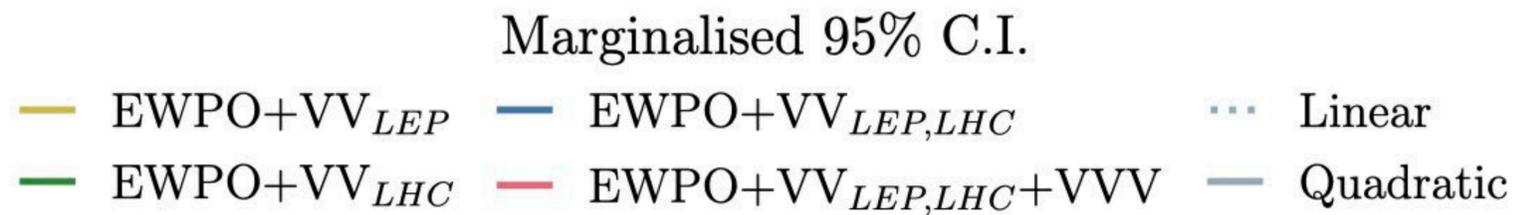
- Significant quadratic effects

LHC VV has biggest impact

- Dominates VV combination

VVV makes a difference

- Apparently $\sim 50\%$ effect in, e.g., $C_{\phi D}$, $C_{\phi WB}$, $C_{\phi \ell}$, $C_{\phi e}$
- Quadratic only



Interpretation

Why not look at EWPO only? **We can't...**

- Not sensitive to O_W & has **2 flat directions** [De Rujula et al.; Nucl. Phys. B 384 (1992) 3-58]
[Degrande et al.; 1205.4231]
- Constrains 8 out of 11 combinations of C_i [Efrati, Falkowski & Soreq; 1503.07282]

$$g_1^2 w_B = g_1^2 \frac{\bar{v}_T^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(-\frac{1}{3} C_{Hd} - C_{He} - \frac{1}{2} C_{Hl}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{6} C_{Hq}^{(1)} + \frac{2}{3} C_{Hu} + 2C_{HD} - \frac{1}{2t_{\hat{\theta}}} C_{HWB} \right)$$

$$g_2^2 w_W = g_2^2 \frac{\bar{v}_T^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(\frac{C_{Hq}^{(3)} + C_{Hl}^{(3)}}{2} - \frac{t_{\bar{\theta}}}{2} C_{HWB} \right). \quad [Brivio & Trott; 1701.06424]$$

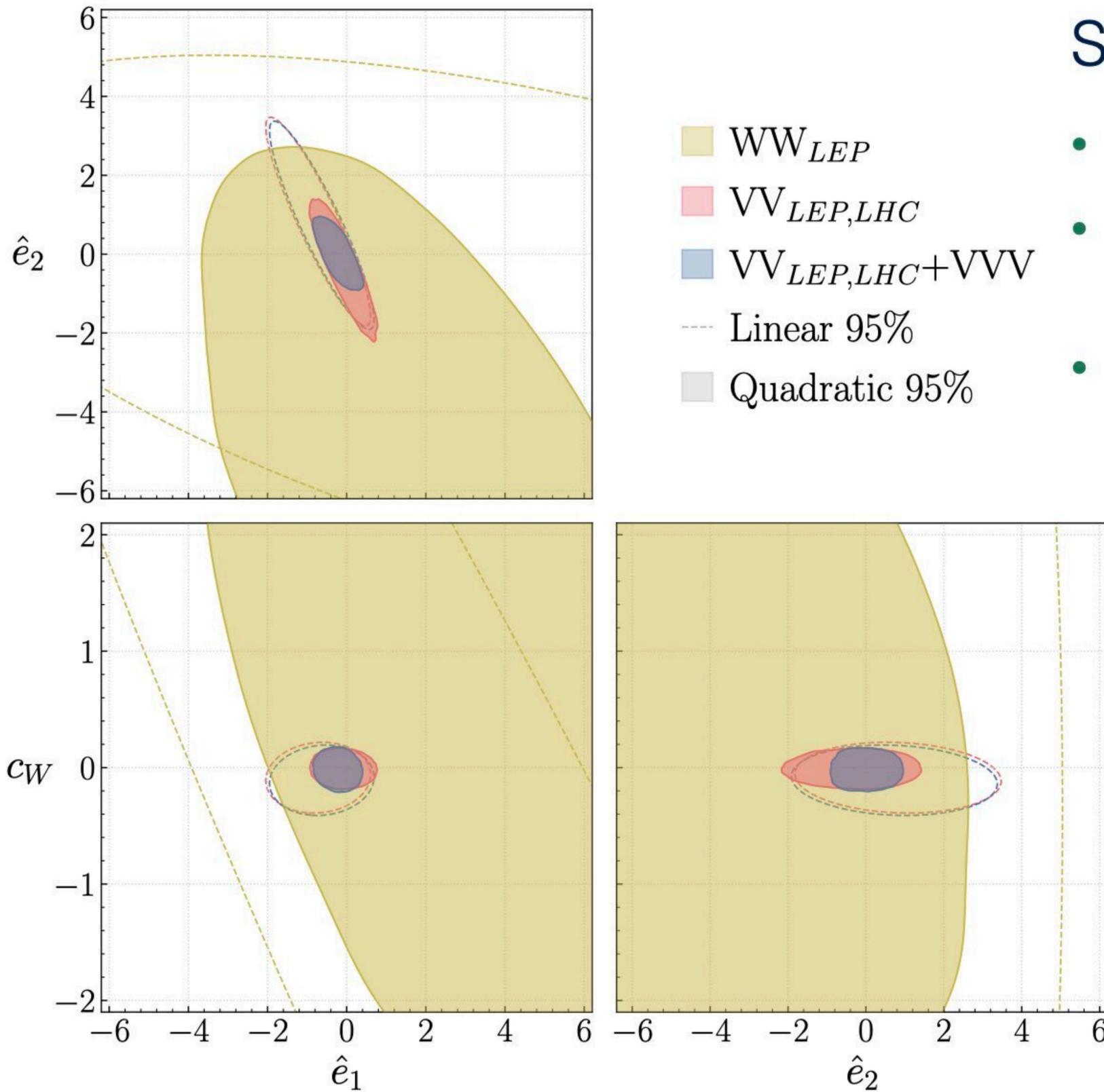
Eigenvectors of the Fisher information, \hat{e}_i

- Unconstrained directions: $\hat{e}_{1,2} = a_{1,2} \hat{\omega}_B + b_{1,2} \hat{\omega}_B$
- Additional datasets needed to close the fit (LEP/LHC VV, VVW, Higgs...)

In a global analysis, bounds are limited by the sensitivity of the additional data



EWPO blind space



Sufficient to study 3D space

- $c_W + 2$ flat directions, $\hat{e}_{1,2}$
- Emphasise the huge strength of LHC VV *w.r.t* LEP WW
- Non-negligible impact of VVV

Purely $O(\Lambda^{-4})$

- Significant quadratics everywhere
- Propagate into any global analysis that combines EWPO with other things
- EFT validity...

Other directions?

Rotated results to eigenbasis

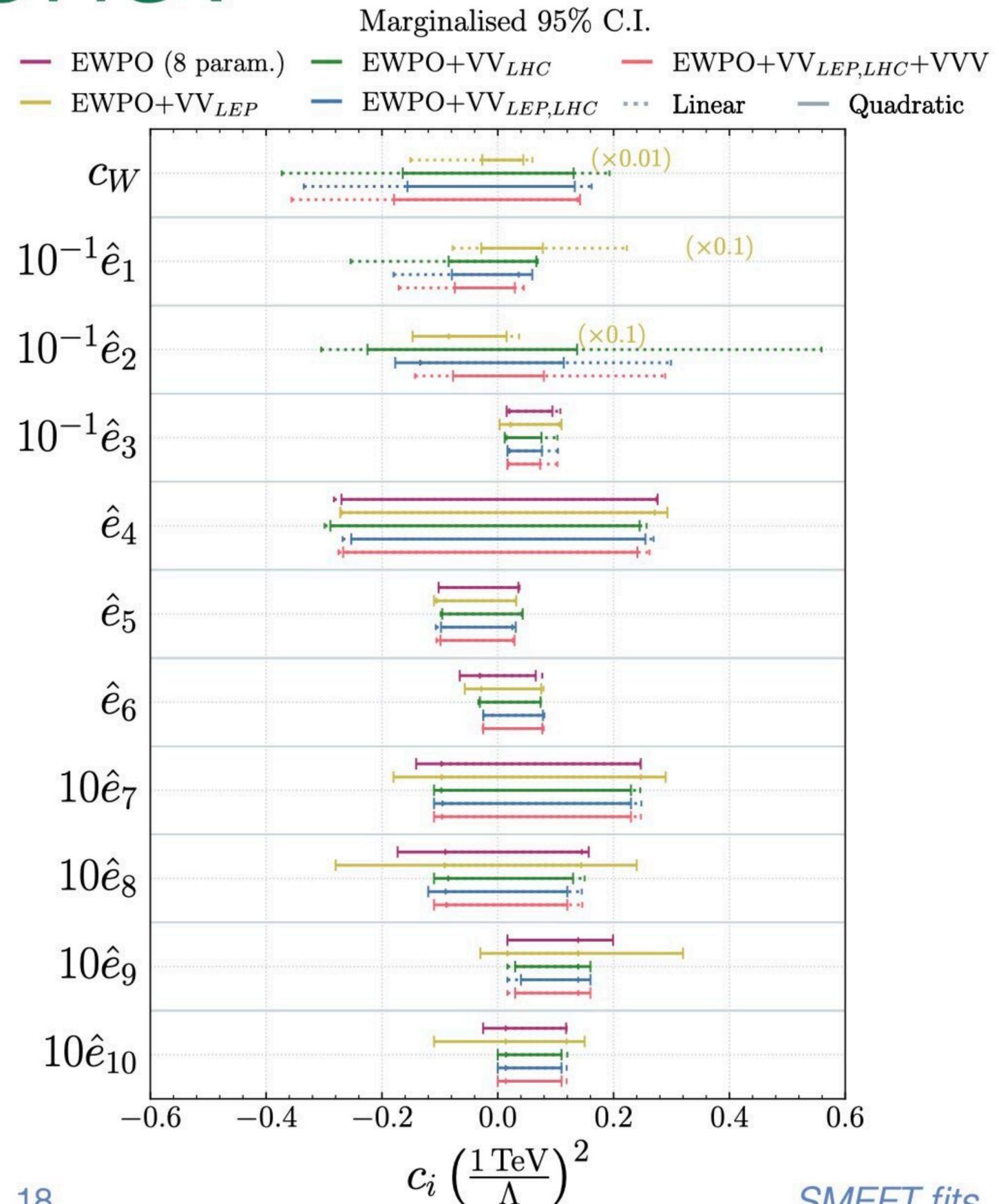
- Compare to 8 parameter EWPO fit

EWPO bounds dominate remaining directions

- Significant quadratic effects there
- Secondary minima (not shown) are lifted by VV data

Mild improvements from LHC VV

- Nothing else from LEP WW & VVV
- Linear approximation is safe in these directions once extra data is added



Conclusions

Global SMEFT fits: key ingredient in quest for BSM

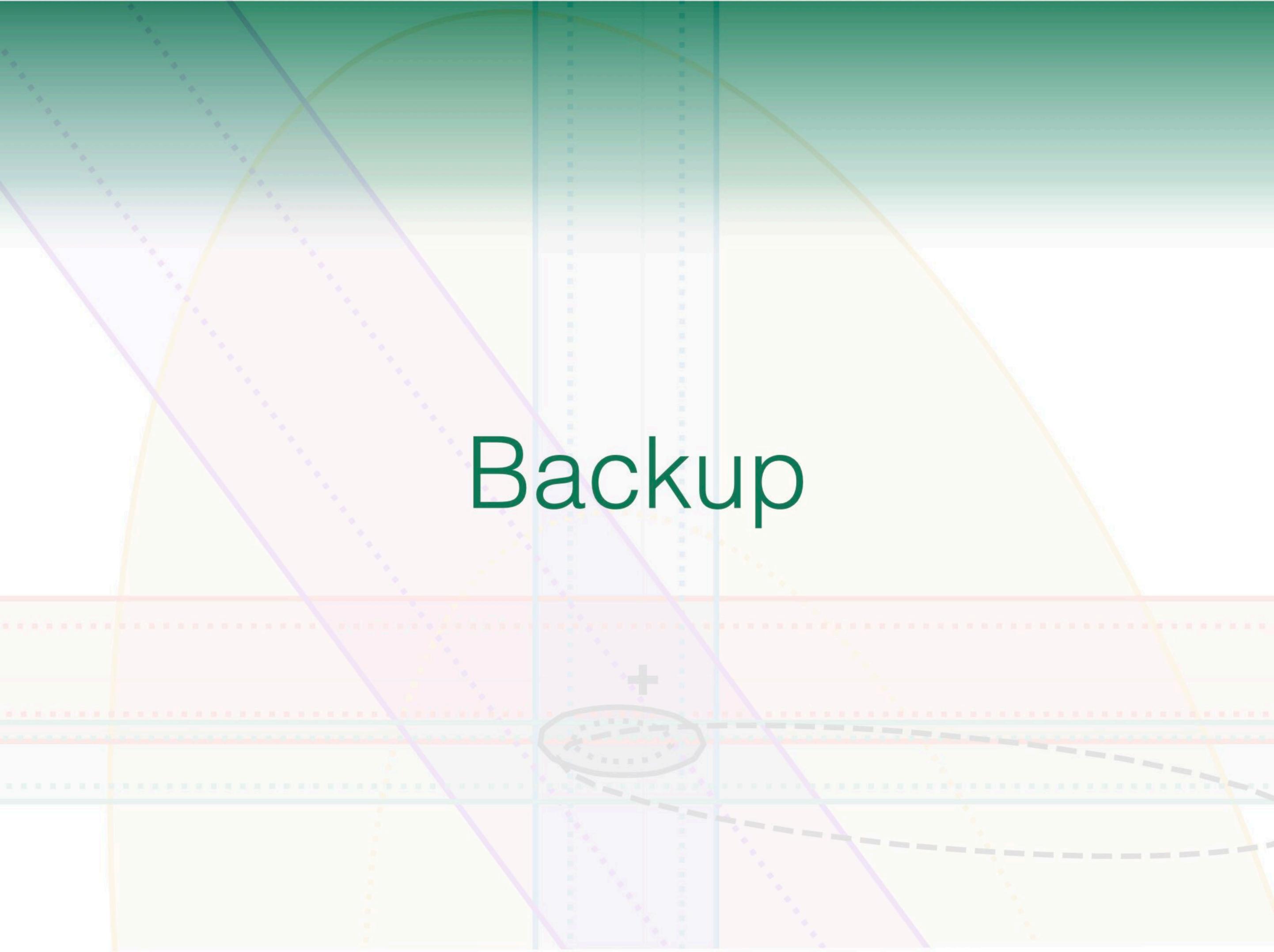
- Crystallise our understanding of the SM and its interactions
- Bridge between explicit heavy new physics models and HEP datasets

Frontiers (also many things I couldn't mention)

- Combining EWPO, LEP & LHC EW, Higgs, Top & **flavor**
- NLO & RGE effects important
- Interesting cross talk between many new sectors (flavor, PVE, DY, dijet)
- Automated UV matching frameworks

VVV has a role to play in global SMEFT analyses

- Revisited the combination EWPO with VV/VVV - significant $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$
- Flat directions quantify the impact of adding data
- Next step: incorporate into bigger global fits

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Backup

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Notable omissions

New physics in top/3rd generation

[Grunwald et al.; 2304.12837]

[Garosi et al.; 2310.00047]

[Allwicher et al.; 2311.00020]

- Nice interplay between top/EWPO/flavor physics

Using full-likelihood information

[Elmer et al.; 2312.12502]

- Experiments publishing statistical likelihoods e.g. pyHF format
- Allows taking into account yields in signal & backgrounds
- More complex BDT/NN outputs?

New ALP bounds from ALP-SMEFT mixing

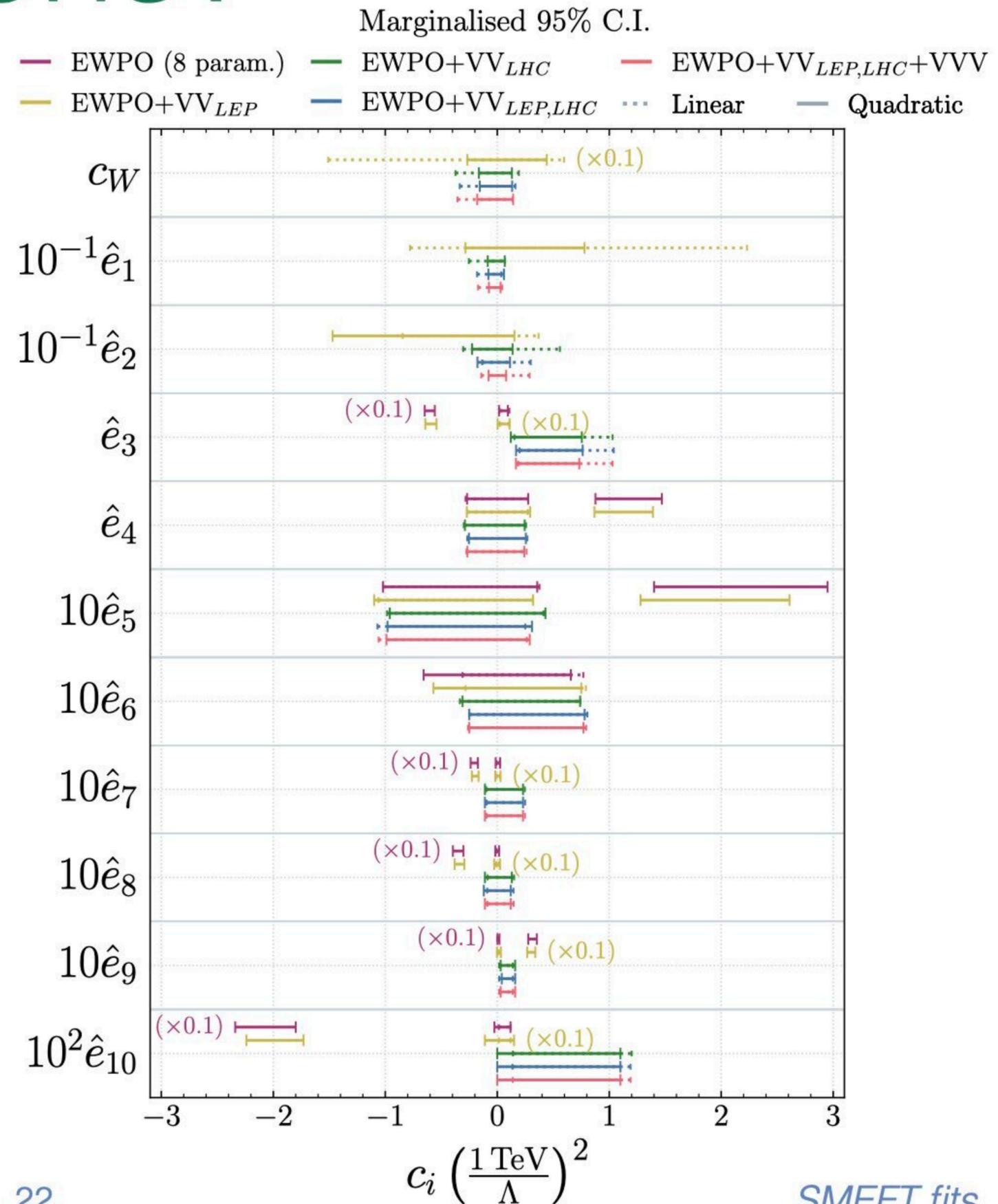
[Biekötter et al.; 2307.10372]

- D=5 ALP interactions mix into SMEFT operators at $\mathcal{O}(1/f_a^2)$
- Pure SMEFT fits competitively constrain ALP couplings!
- Bounds are \sim independent of ALP mass

Other directions?

EWPO secondary minima

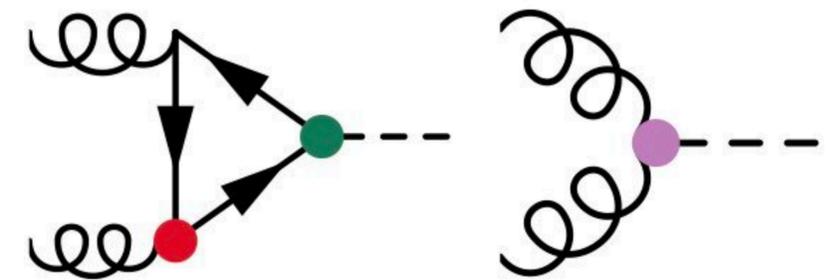
- Related to secondary minimum in $C_{\phi d}$ in Warsaw basis results
- Big quadratic effects in EWPO constrained directions
- New data, even though less precise, is crucial to lift degeneracies and return a better-behaved fit.



Top-Higgs interplay

Top data indirectly improves Higgs coupling measurements

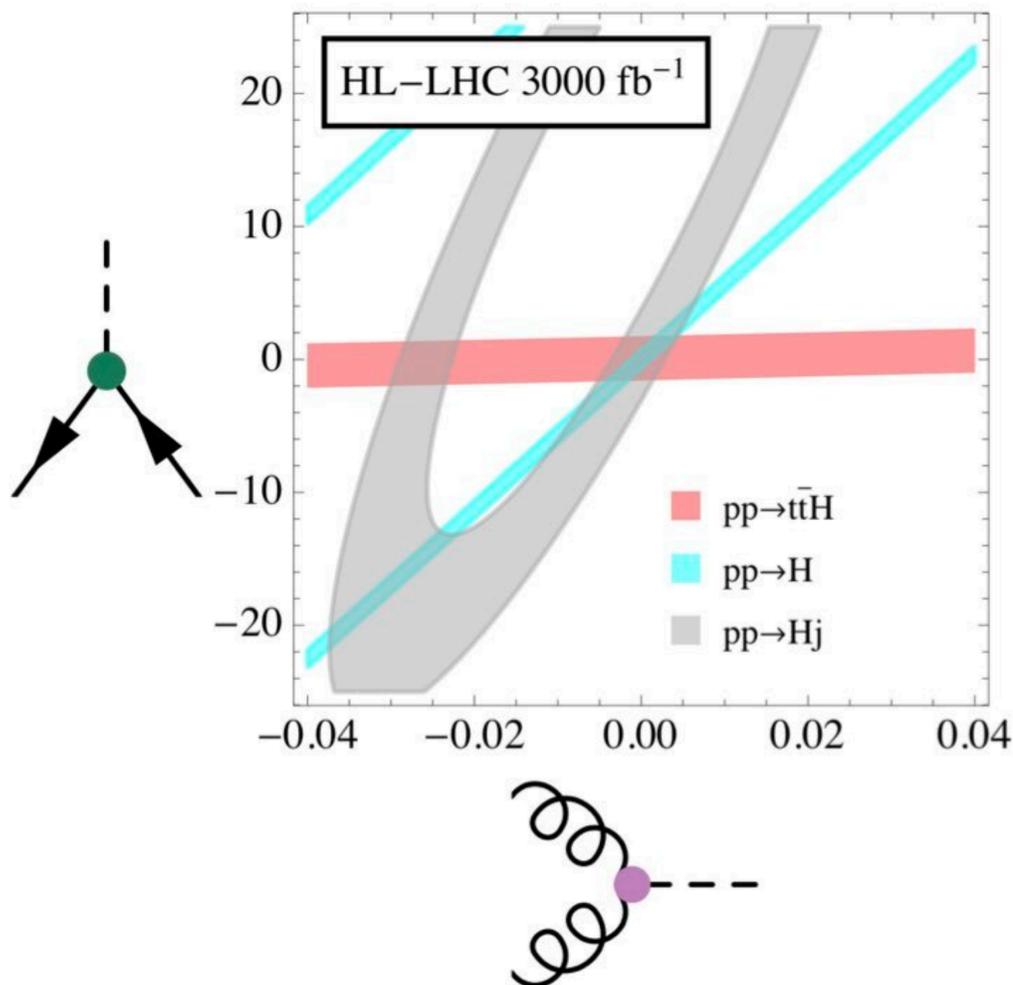
- $gg \rightarrow h$ has 3 relevant new interactions
- Yukawa, dipole & contact term
- Degeneracy in coefficient/theory space



[Maltoni, Vryonidou & Zhang; JHEP 1610 (2016) 123]

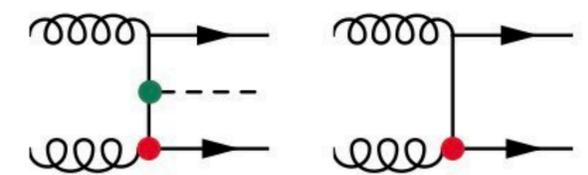
ggF is well measured, yet...

Cannot rule out heavy particles in the loop



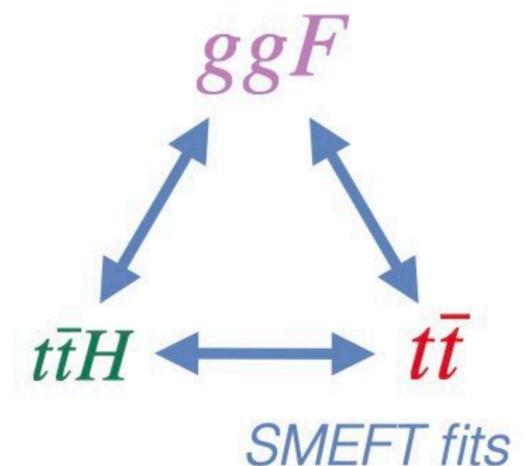
$t\bar{t}$ and $t\bar{t}h$ data can help

- Constrain dipole & Yukawa



What about 4 fermion ops.?

- Do they limit ultimate sensitivity?



The role of top data

✓ $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurements constrain C_{tG}

- Indirectly improve bounds on C_{HG} and C_{tH}



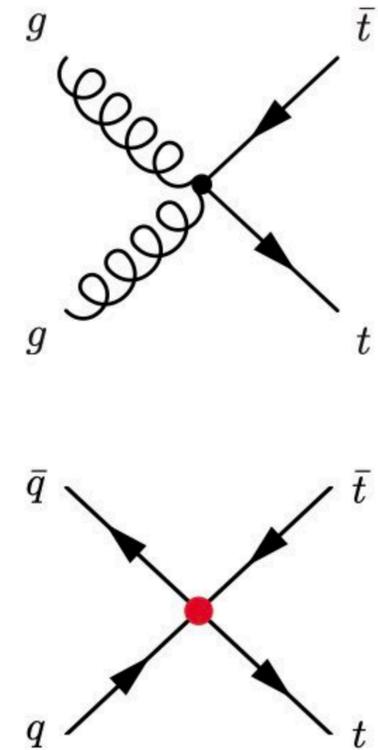
Several other new interactions can affect $t\bar{t}$

- Notably $q\bar{q}t\bar{t}$ operators, of which there are many (14)
- Also enter in $t\bar{t}h/Z/W/\gamma$
- To what extent do these limit ultimate NP sensitivity in top/Higgs sector?

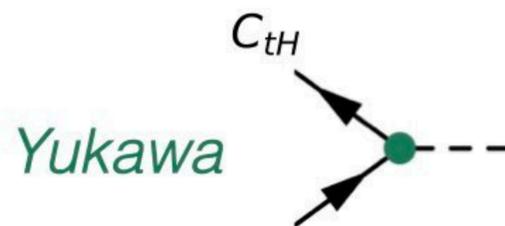
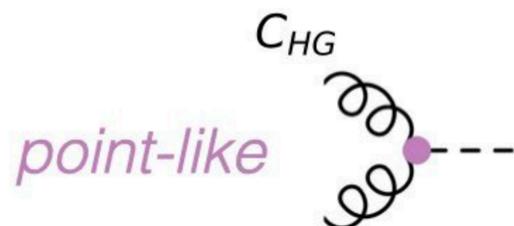
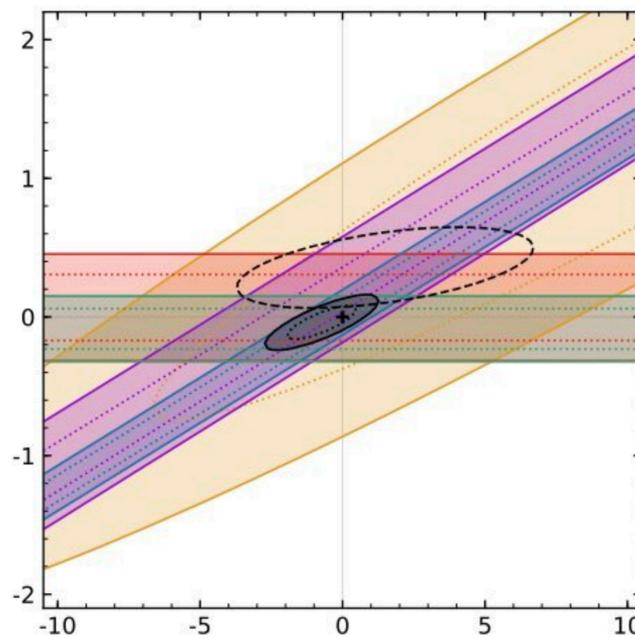
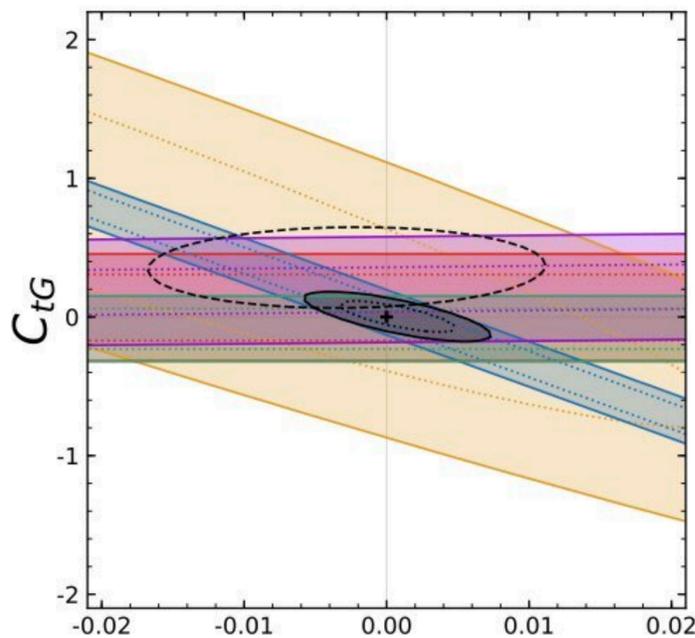
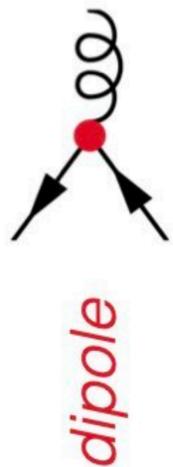
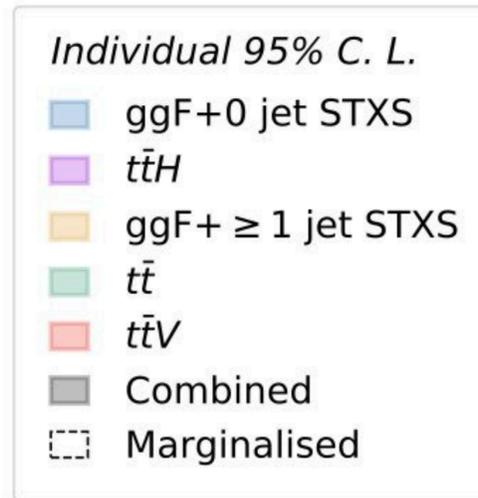
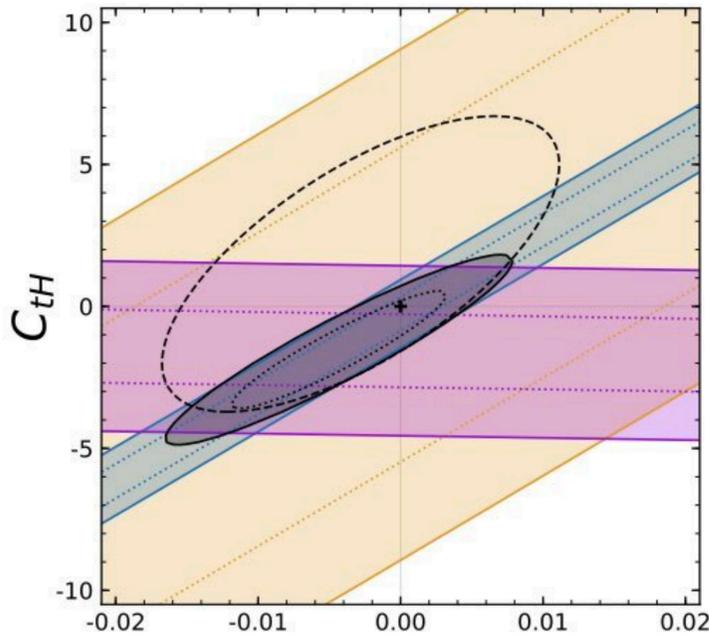
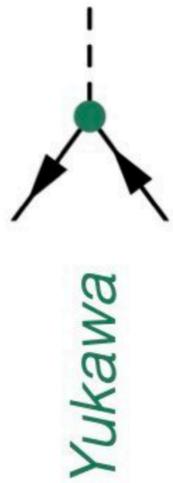


Can only be addressed in combined fit

- Beyond tree-level (at least for ggF) [Degrande et al.; PRD 103 (2021) 9, 096024]
<http://feynrules.irmp.ucl.ac.be/wiki/SMEFTatNLO>
- Identify other cross-talk (non-trivial correlations)
- Crystallisation of knowledge gained after LHC Run 2/3
- Broaden range of applicability to UV models where the top is special



Top-Higgs interplay

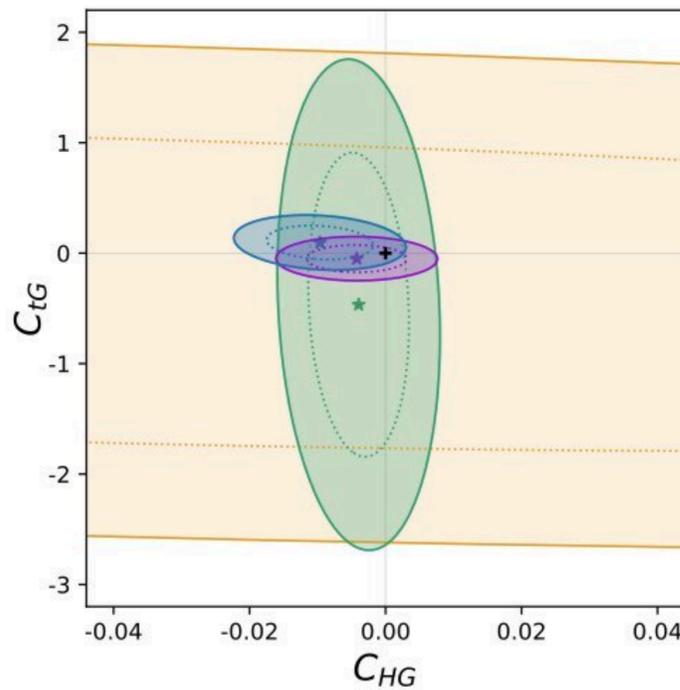
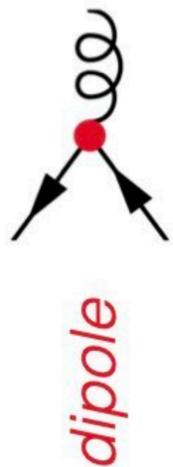
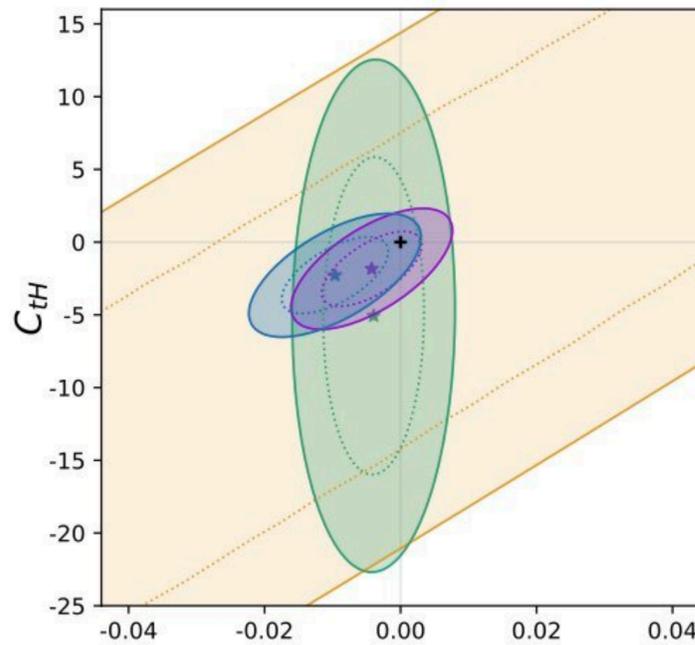
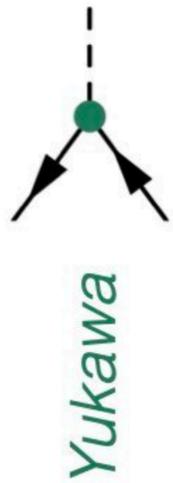


2D individual constraints

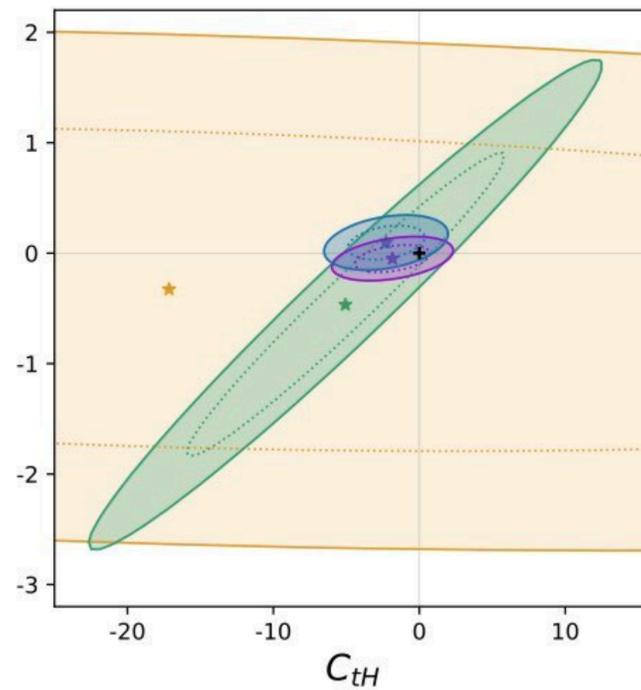
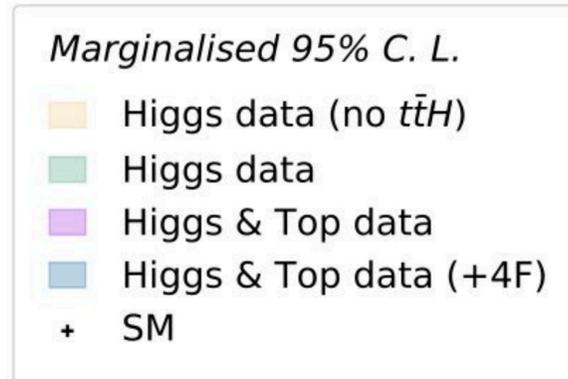
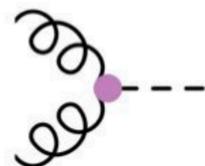
- All others set to 0
- $ggF/t\bar{t}H$ complementarity for (C_{HG}, C_{tH})
- H+jets STXS & $t\bar{t}V$ not yet competitive
- Strong impact of $t\bar{t}$ evident for C_{tG}
- Tension with SM $\sim 2\sigma$
- Significant correlations remain
- Large marginalisation effects

What is the concrete impact of 4F?

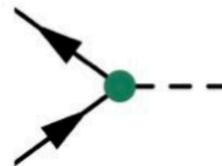
Top-Higgs interplay



point-like



Yukawa



Fit: Higgs SS & STXS $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-2})$

8 Higgs operators + C_{tG}

- Marginalised confidence regions
- Significant impact of $t\bar{t}H$ & $t\bar{t}(V)$

Now add in $t\bar{t}$ 4F operators

+ $C_{Qq}^{3,8}, C_{Qq}^{1,8}, C_{Qu}^8, C_{Qd}^8, C_{tq}^8, C_{tu}^8, C_{td}^8$

- Relatively mild impact
- Preferred $t\bar{t}$ phase space is different

C_{tG} : low $m_{t\bar{t}}$

4F : high $m_{t\bar{t}}$

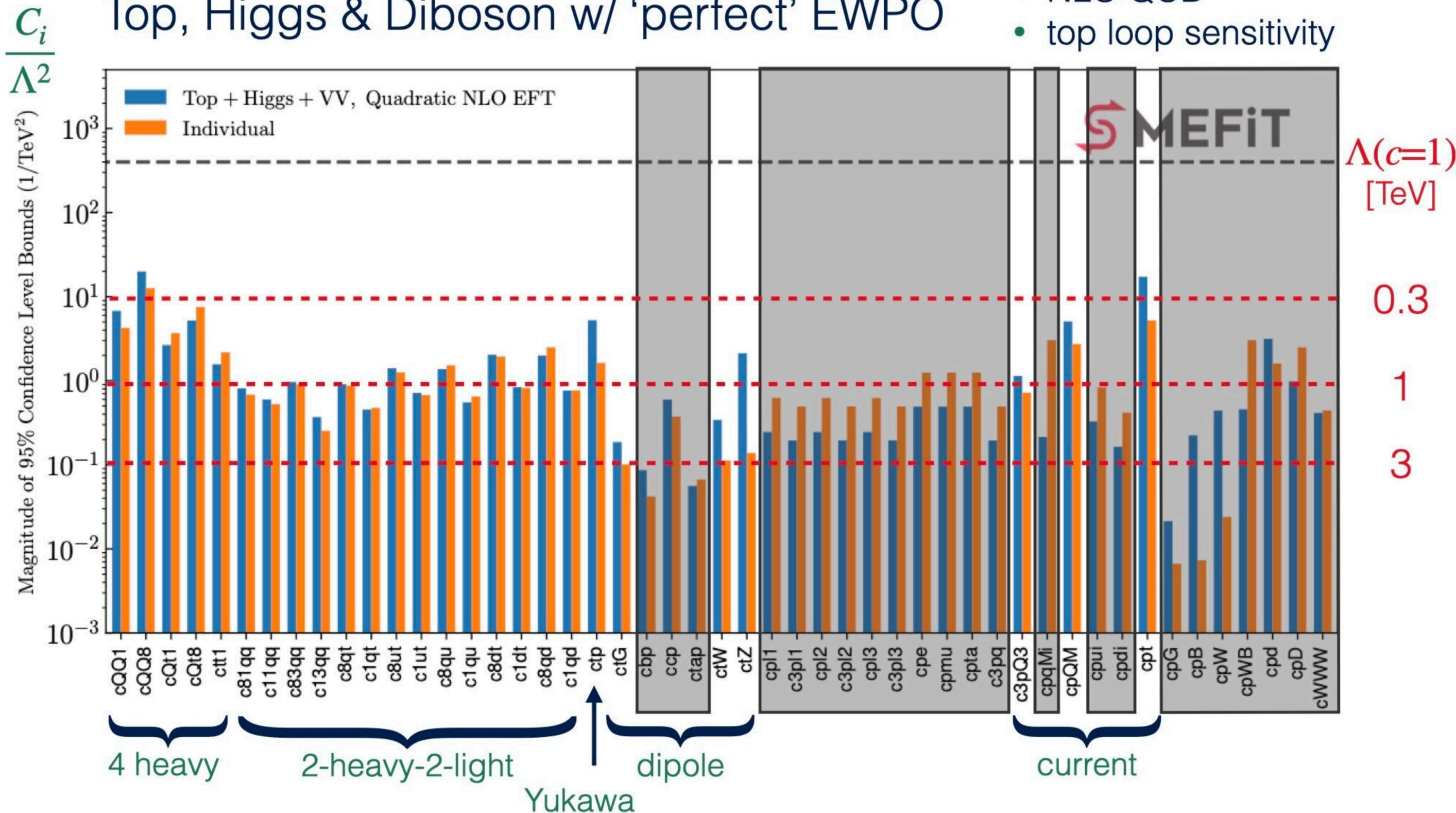
- Able to constrain them independently

Top data is crucial!

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Top, Higgs & Diboson w/ 'perfect' EWPO

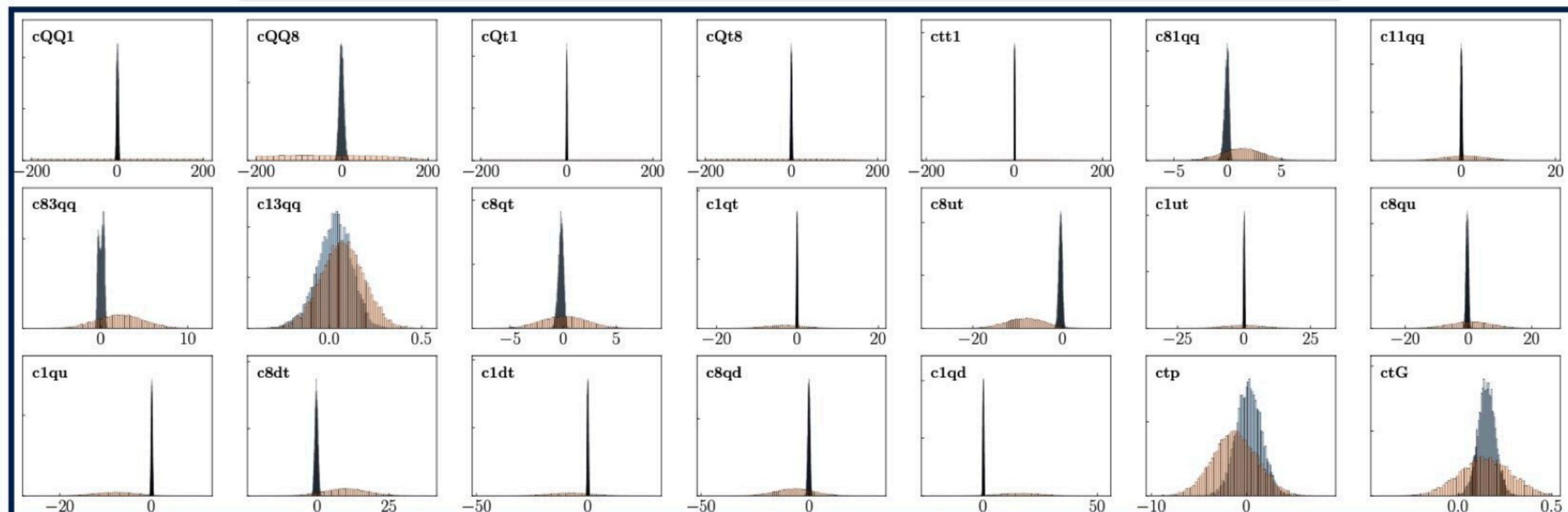
- NLO QCD
- top loop sensitivity



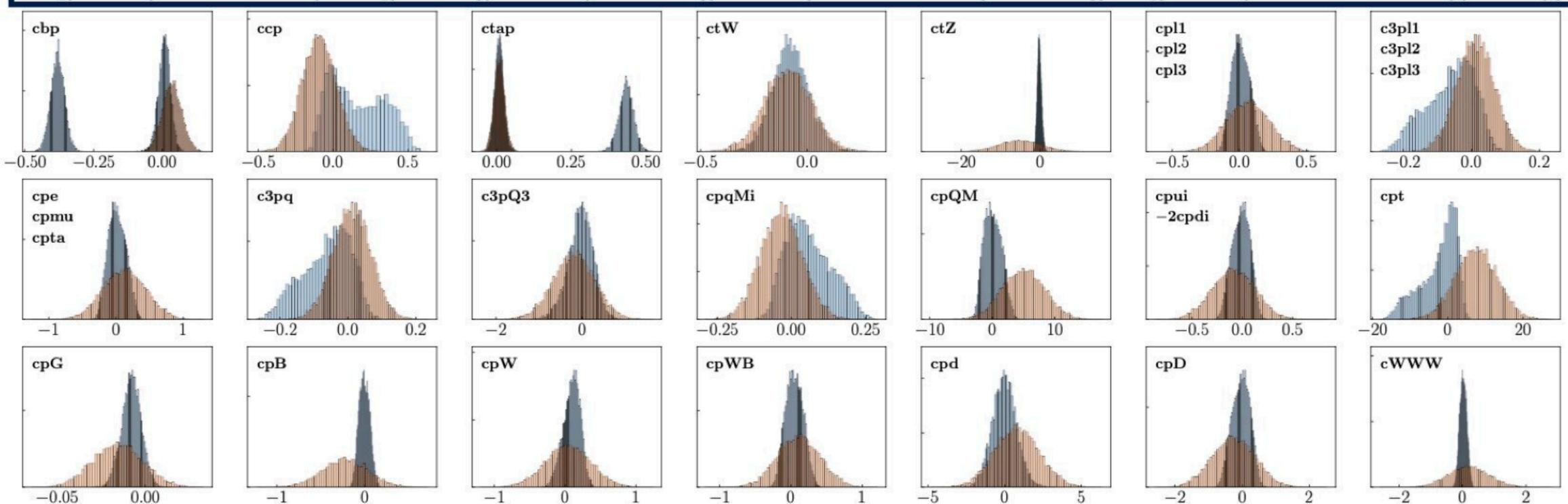
Linear (Λ^{-2}) vs Quadratic (Λ^{-4})

■ Top + Higgs + VV, Quadratic NLO EFT
 ■ Top + Higgs + VV, Linear NLO EFT

Some bounds purely $O(\Lambda^{-4})$
 1) imprecise data
 2) non-interference



Non-Gaussian posteriors:
 Quadratic effects important



Dim-8 effects?
EFT validity?

NLO vs LO

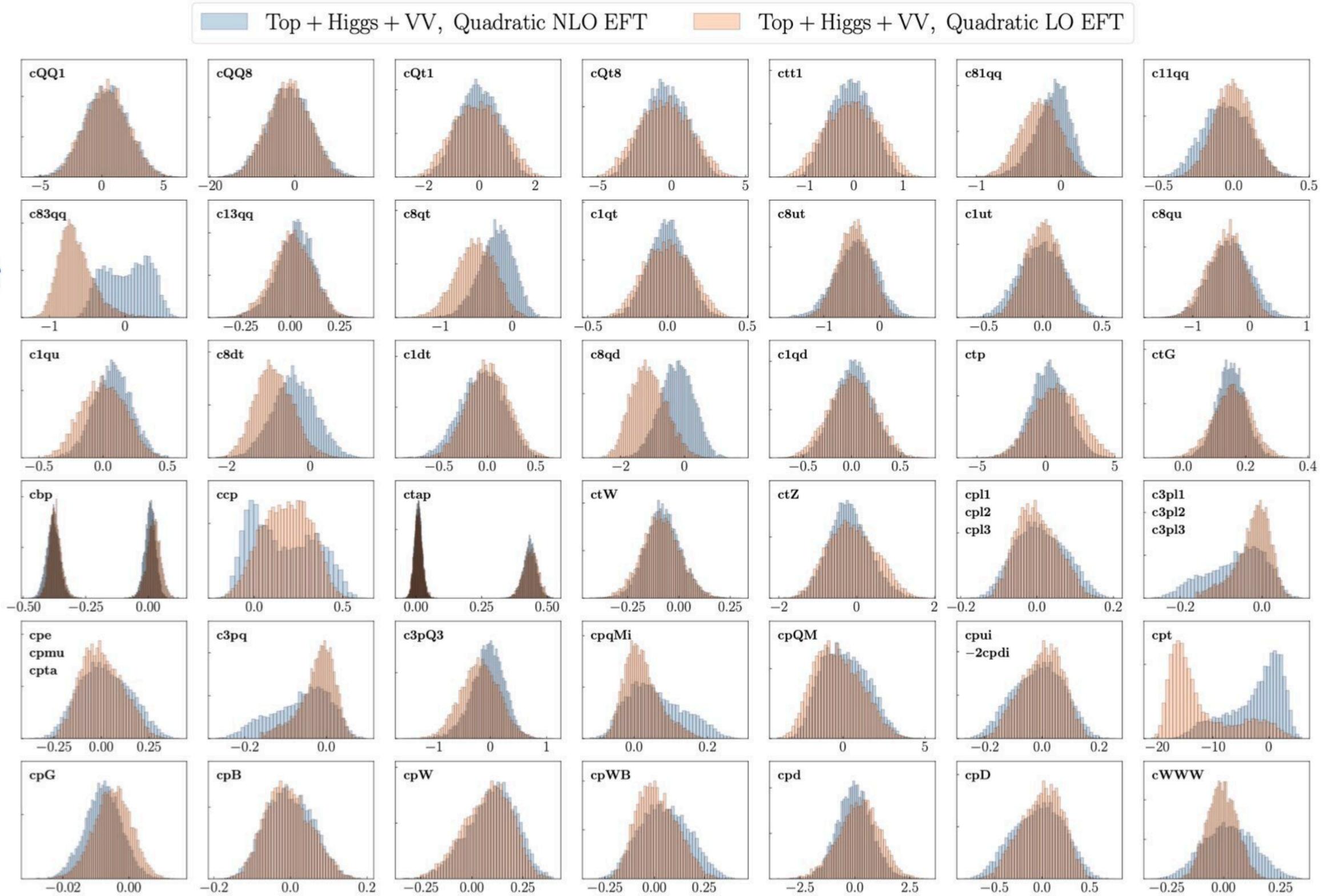
SMEFTatNLO

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[Degrande et al.; PRD 103 (2021) 9, 096024]

Top is coloured

*Non-trivial
QCD corrections*



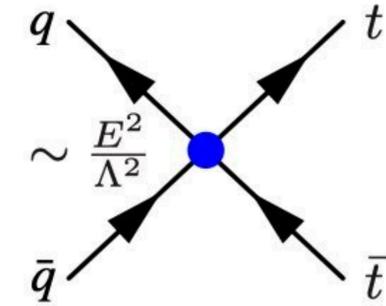
t/h interplay via loops

[Ethier et al.; JHEP 11 (2021) 089]

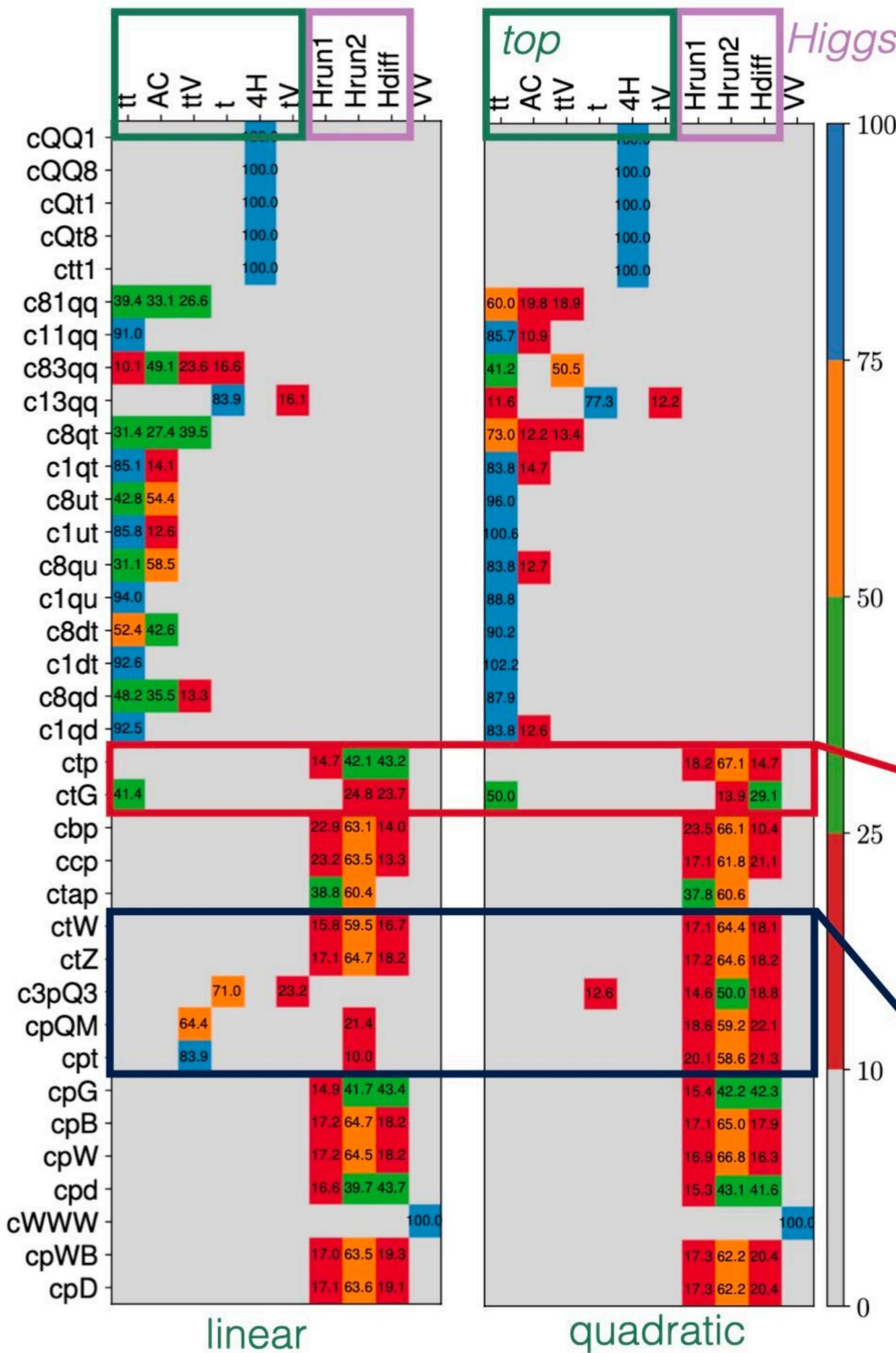
Fisher Information:

Hessian of Log-likelihood
at the best-fit point

4F operators:
mostly top data



Normalized Fisher Value



Yukawa & Chromo-dipole

$t\bar{t}V$ couplings