

# Multilepton signatures from vector-like fermions

**Daniel F Litim**

**US**

University of Sussex

**IoP Workshop @ U Sussex  
15 June 2022**

# standard model

local QFT for fundamental interactions

**strong** nuclear force

**weak** force

**electromagnetic** force

degrees of freedom

spin 0, spin 1/2, spin 1

perturbatively renormalisable & **predictive**

# standard model

local QFT for fundamental interactions

**strong** nuclear force

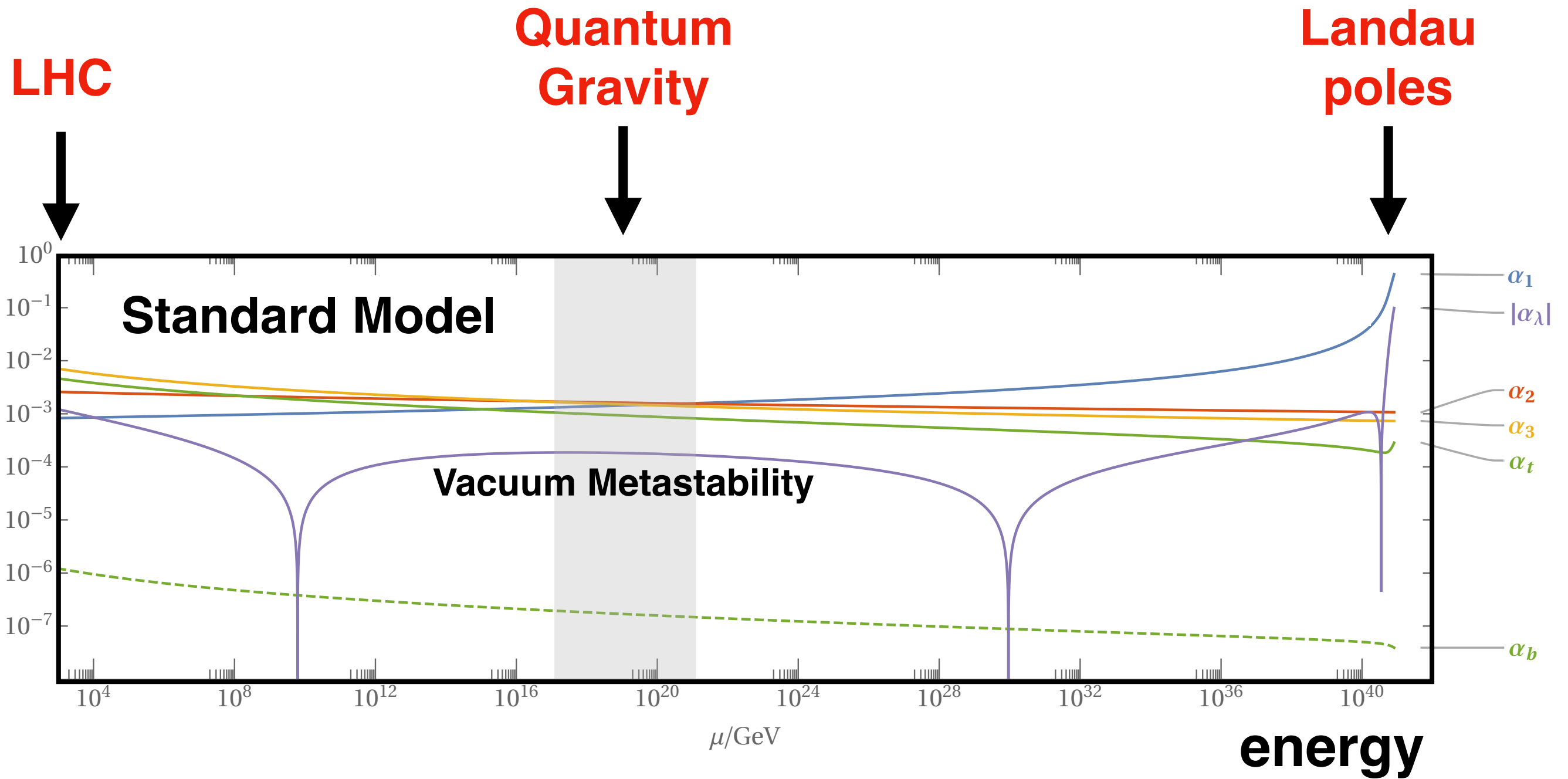
**weak** force

**electromagnetic** force

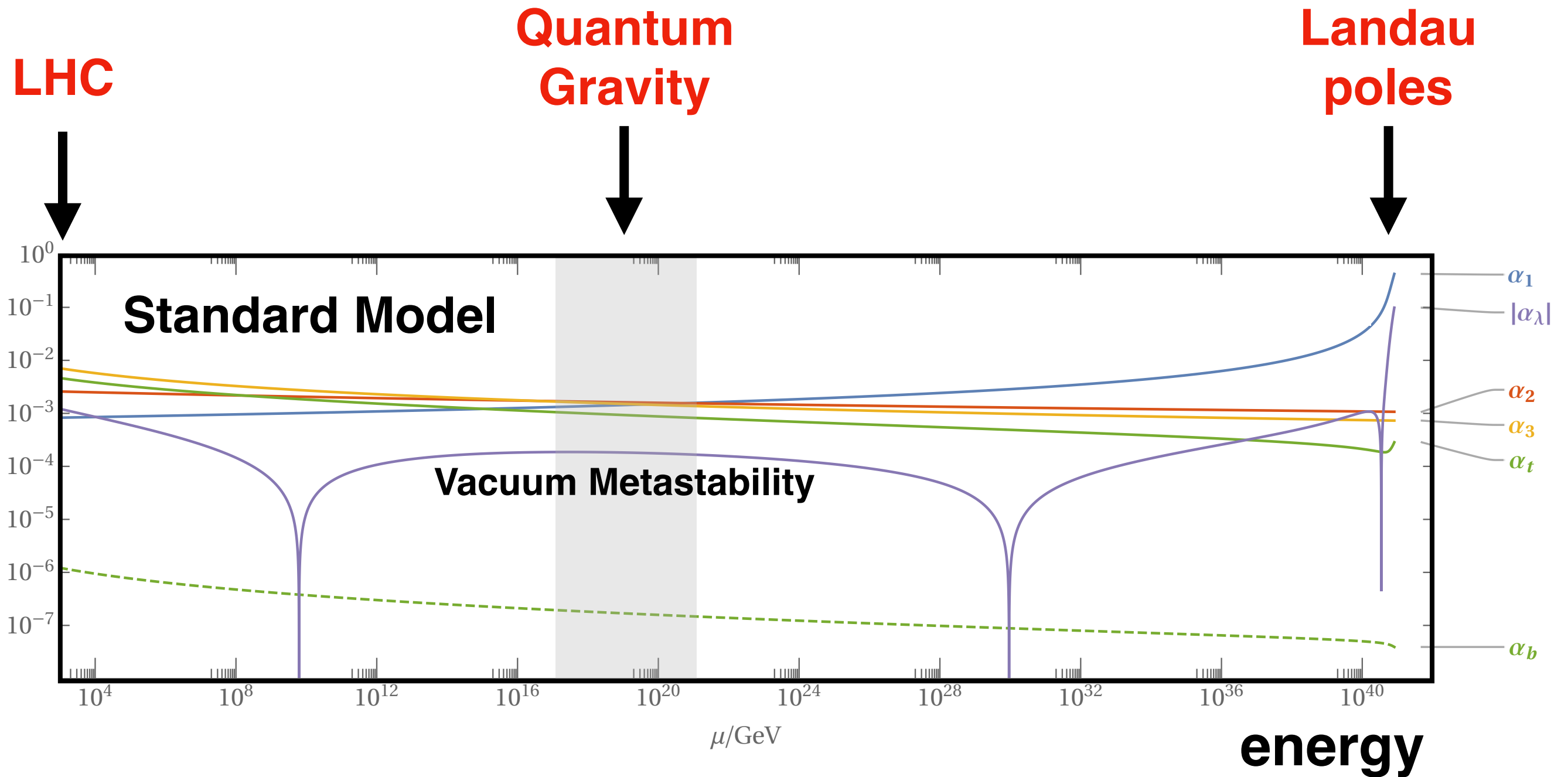
open challenges

what comes **beyond the SM**?  
(how does **gravity** fit in?)

# SM @ Higgs+10



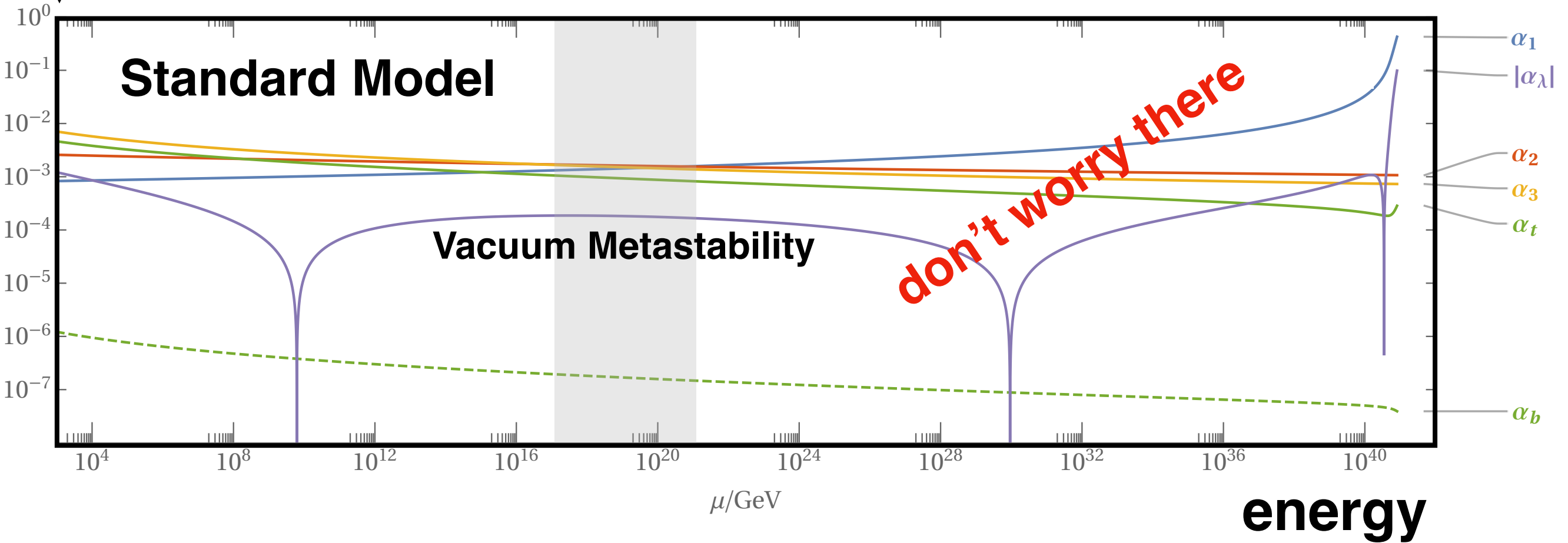
# SM @ Higgs+10



***“The Planck scale is closer than you think”***

# SM @ Higgs+10

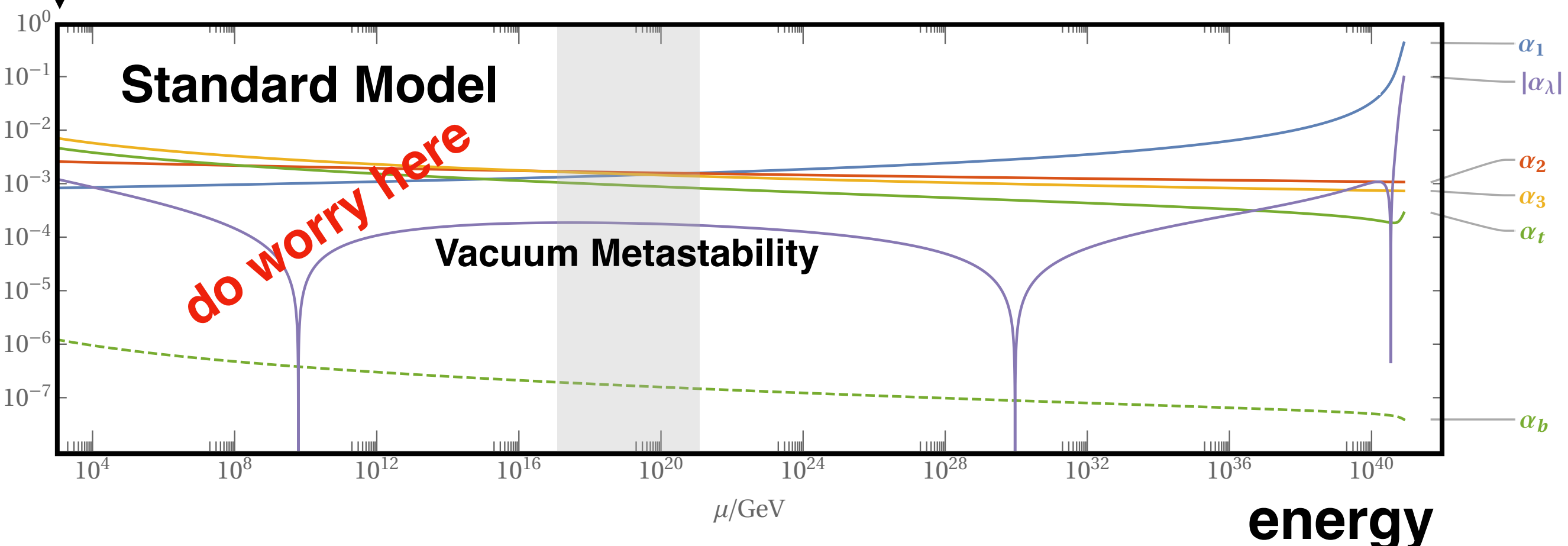
LHC



*“The Planck scale is closer than you think”*

# SM @ Higgs+10

LHC



*“The Planck scale is closer than you think”*

idea:

improved UV behaviour - stability, predictivity

**interacting** UV fixed points Wilson '71  
Bailin, Love '74, Weinberg '79

offers **new directions** for BSM physics



# thinking UV

## asymptotic near freedom **conjecture** (1974)

“**running couplings achieve  
interacting RG fixed point**”

### ASYMPTOTIC NEAR FREEDOM

D. BAILIN and A. LOVE

*School of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, University of Sussex,  
Brighton, England*

Received 13 February 1974

**Abstract:** The possibility that the asymptotic behaviour of the structure functions for electroproduction or neutrino production is controlled by a renormalisation group fixed point near the origin, but not at the origin, is discussed.

Nuclear Physics B75 (1974) 159–170.



**David Bailin**

# thinking UV

## asymptotic near freedom **guaranteed** (2014)

### Asymptotic safety guaranteed

---

**Daniel F. Litim<sup>a</sup> and Francesco Sannino<sup>b</sup>**

<sup>a</sup>*Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Sussex,  
Falmer Campus, Brighton, BN1 9QH, U.K.*

<sup>b</sup>*CP<sup>3</sup>-Origins & the Danish Institute for Advanced Study Danish IAS, Univ. of Southern Denmark,  
Campusvej 55, DK-5230 Odense, Denmark*

*E-mail:* [d.litim@sussex.ac.uk](mailto:d.litim@sussex.ac.uk), [sannino@cp3-origins.net](mailto:sannino@cp3-origins.net)

**ABSTRACT:** We study the ultraviolet behaviour of four-dimensional quantum field theories involving non-abelian gauge fields, fermions and scalars in the Veneziano limit. In a regime where asymptotic freedom is lost, we explain how the three types of fields cooperate to develop fully interacting ultraviolet fixed points, strictly controlled by perturbation theory. Extensions towards strong coupling and beyond the large- $N$  limit are discussed.

**KEYWORDS:**  $1/N$  Expansion, Renormalization Group

ARXIV EPRINT: [1406.2337](https://arxiv.org/abs/1406.2337)

JHEP12(2014)178

**requires:  
gauge,  
fermion,  
& scalar  
fields**

# thinking UV

## Lagrangian

$$L_{\text{YM}} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}$$

**gauge fields**

**gauge coupling**

$$L_F = \text{Tr} (\bar{Q} i \not{D} Q)$$

**fermions**

$$L_Y = y \text{Tr} (\bar{Q} H Q)$$

**Yukawas**

$$L_H = \text{Tr} (\partial_\mu H^\dagger \partial^\mu H)$$

**scalar fields**

$$L_U = -u \text{Tr} (H^\dagger H)^2$$

**quartics**

$$L_V = -v (\text{Tr} H^\dagger H)^2 .$$

scalars are “meson-like”,  $H_{ij}$

no asymptotic freedom, yet, stable and predictive  
“UV complete”

# thinking UV

what do we know?

works for **simple gauge theories with matter**

works for **semi-simple gauge theories with matter**

works with **supersymmetry**

works for **strongly coupled theories**

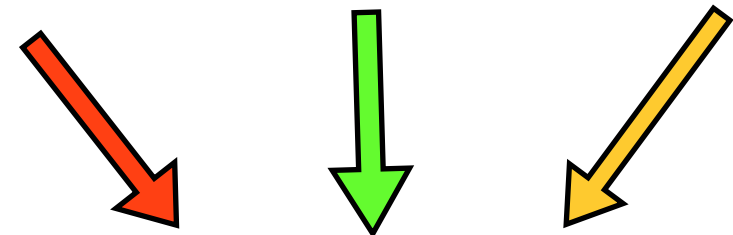
# thinking BSM

## minimal framework:

AD Bond, G Hiller, K Kowalska, DF Litim, 1702.01727 (JHEP)

SM gauge symmetry

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$



$N_F$  flavors of BSM fermions

$$\psi_i(R_3, R_2, Y)$$

BSM singlet scalars

$$S_{ij}$$

features: vector-like fermions

global flavor symmetry  $U(N_F) \times U(N_F)$

single BSM Yukawa coupling

meson-like scalar

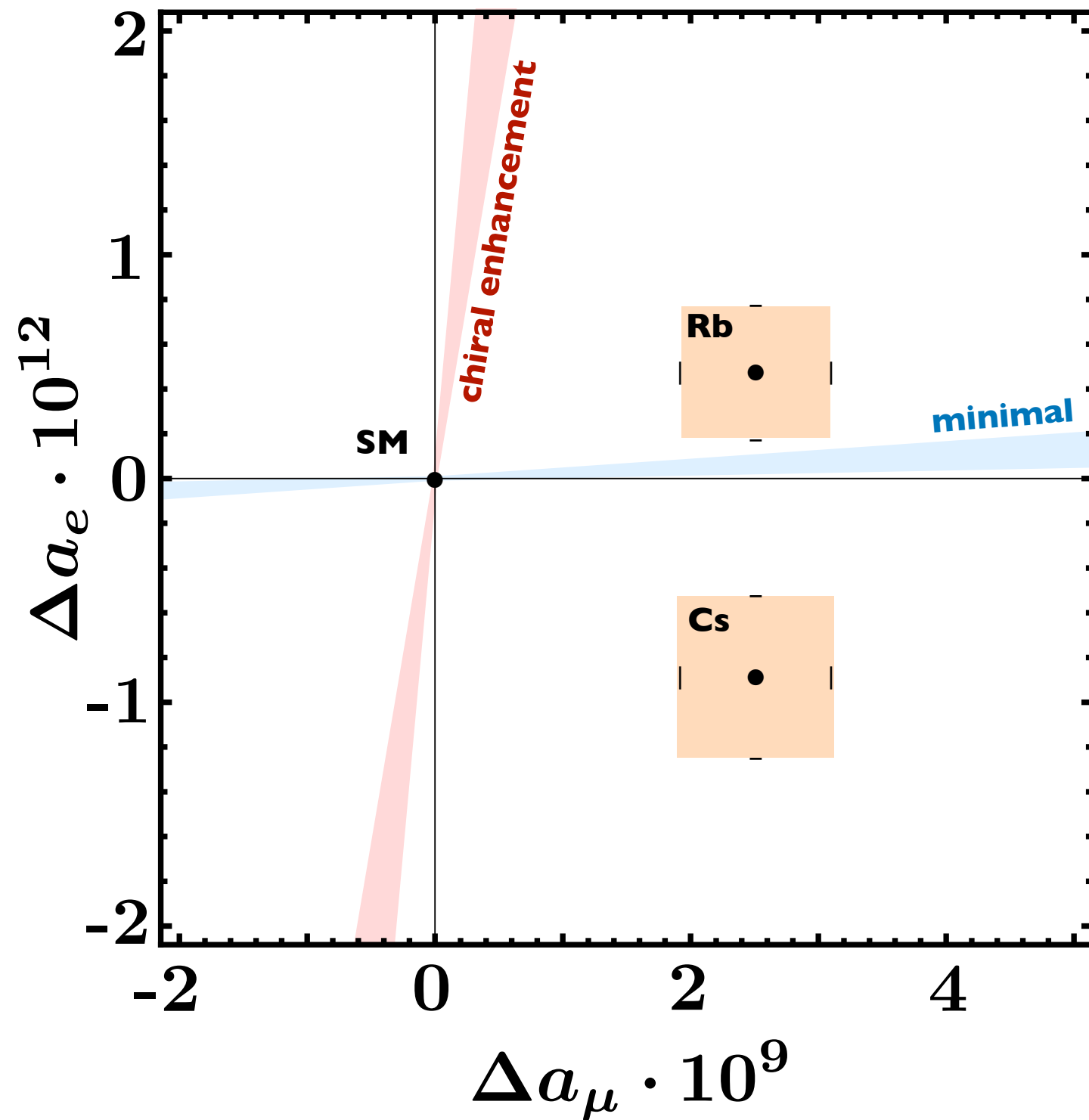
# thinking BSM

## anomalous magnetic moments

A Bond, G Hiller, K Kowalska, DF Litim,  
**Directions for model building from asymptotic safety**, JHEP1708 (2017) 004

G Hiller, C Hermigos-Feliu, DF Litim, T Steudtner,  
**Asymptotically safe extensions of the Standard Model and their flavour phenomenology** 1905.11020  
**Anomalous magnetic moments from asymptotic safety** 1910.14062  
**Model building from asymptotic safety with Higgs and flavour portals** 2008.08606

# anomalous magnetic moments



a puzzle ...

# anomalous magnetic moments

what's the new physics?

to date: about 60 BSM models can explain the data

**All but two** treat electrons and muons differently  
i.e. **lepton universality manifestly broken**



# thinking BSM

**new vector-like BSM fermions + scalars**  
**new Yukawas + portal interactions**

$$y \text{Tr} [\bar{\psi}_L S \psi_R] + \kappa \bar{L} H \psi_R + \kappa' \text{Tr} [\bar{E} S^\dagger \psi_L]$$

BSM matter

SM matter

**lepton universality intact**

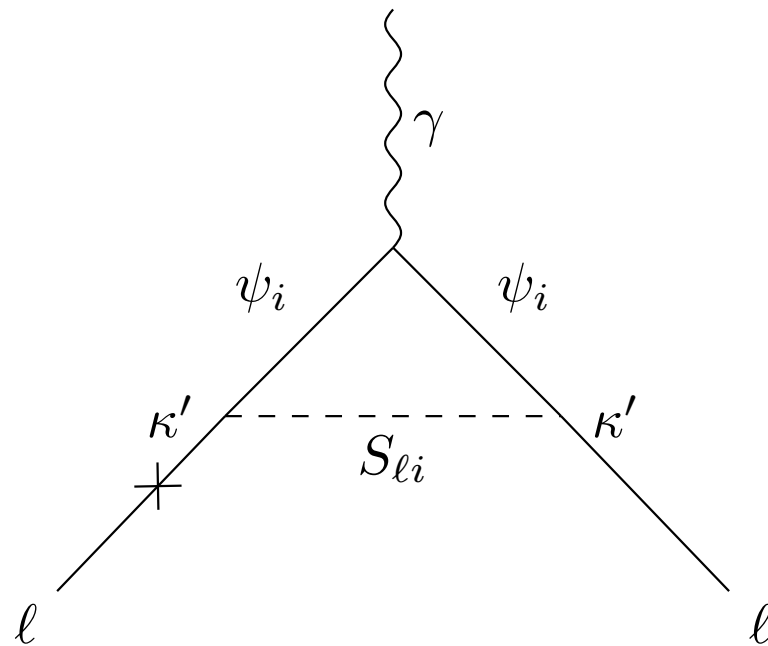
**Yukawas explain AMMs**

**new vector-like BSM fermions + scalars**  
**new Yukawas + portal interactions**

$$y \text{Tr} [\bar{\psi}_L S \psi_R] + \kappa \bar{L} H \psi_R + \kappa' \text{Tr} [\bar{E} S^\dagger \psi_L]$$

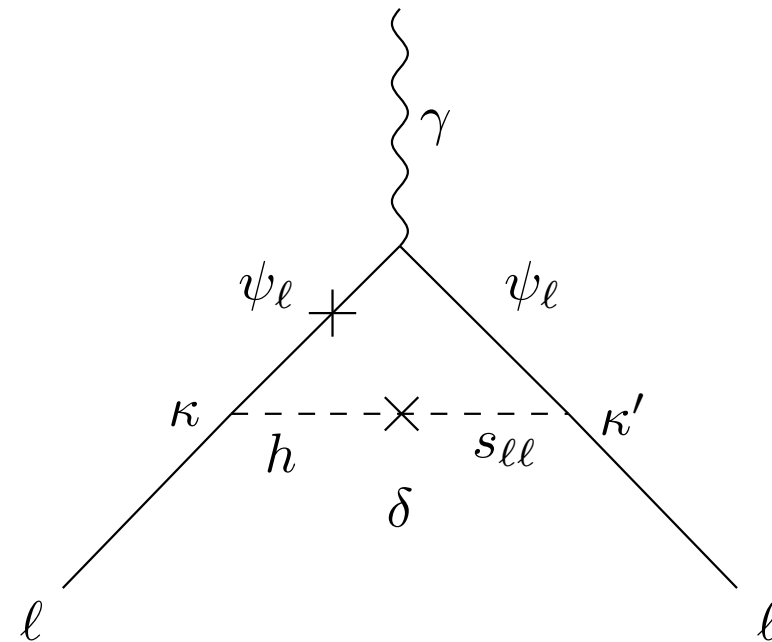
**feature:** **BSM Yukawas can explain  
anomalous magnetic moments**

**new vector-like BSM fermions + scalars**  
**new Yukawas + portal interactions**



**“minimal”**

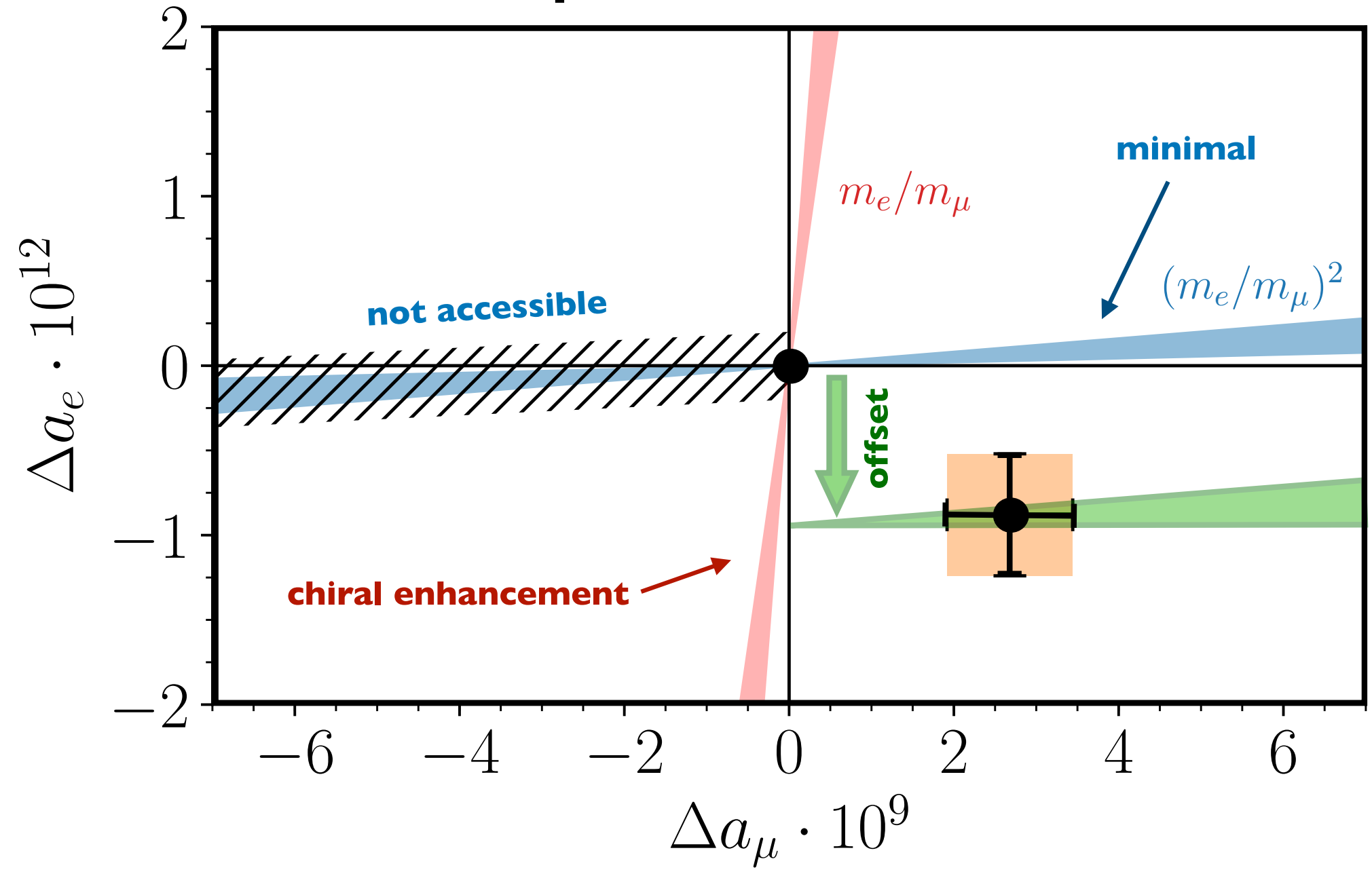
$$\sim (m_e/m_\mu)^2$$



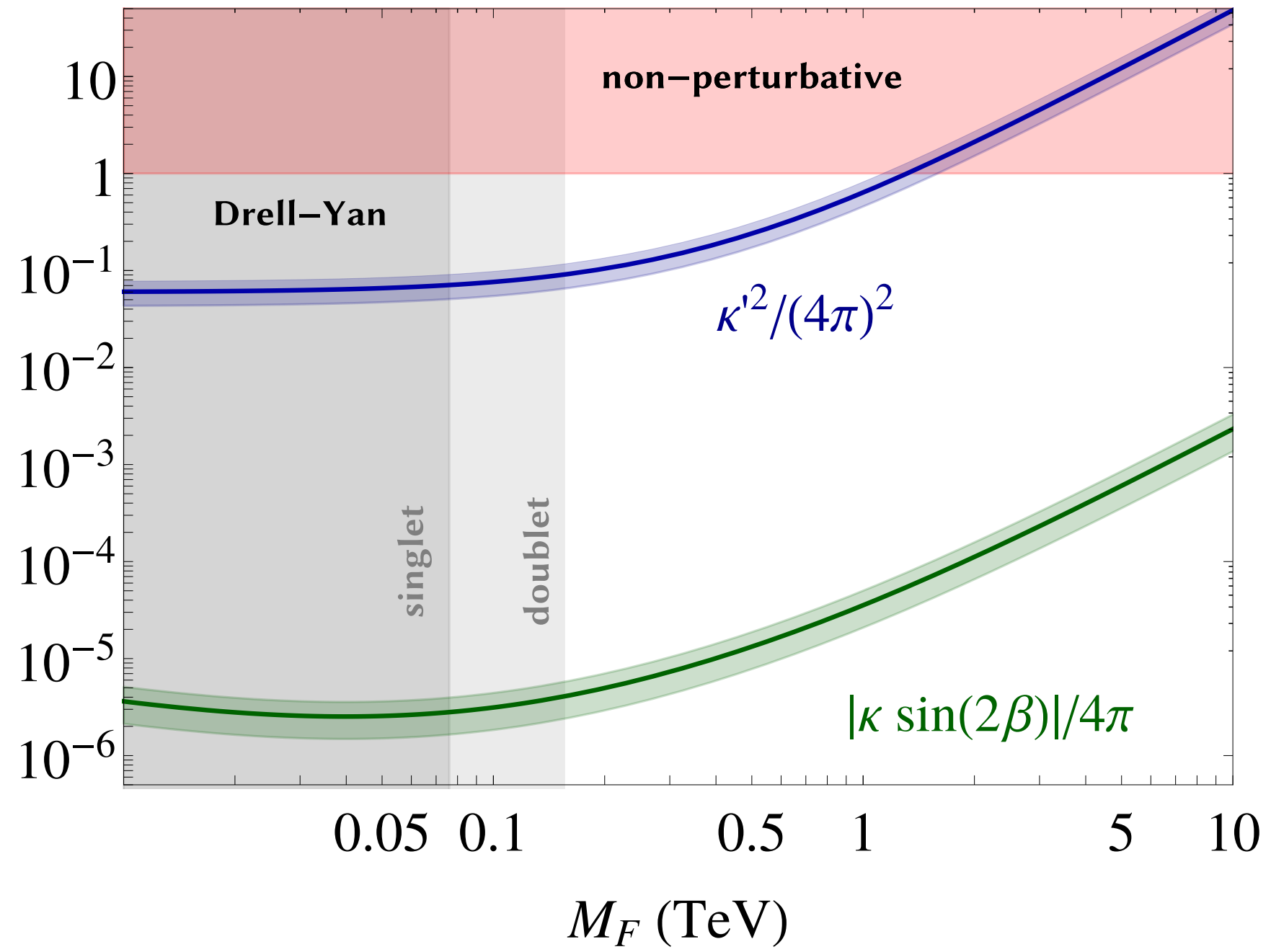
**“chirally  
enhanced”**

$$\sim (m_e/m_\mu)$$

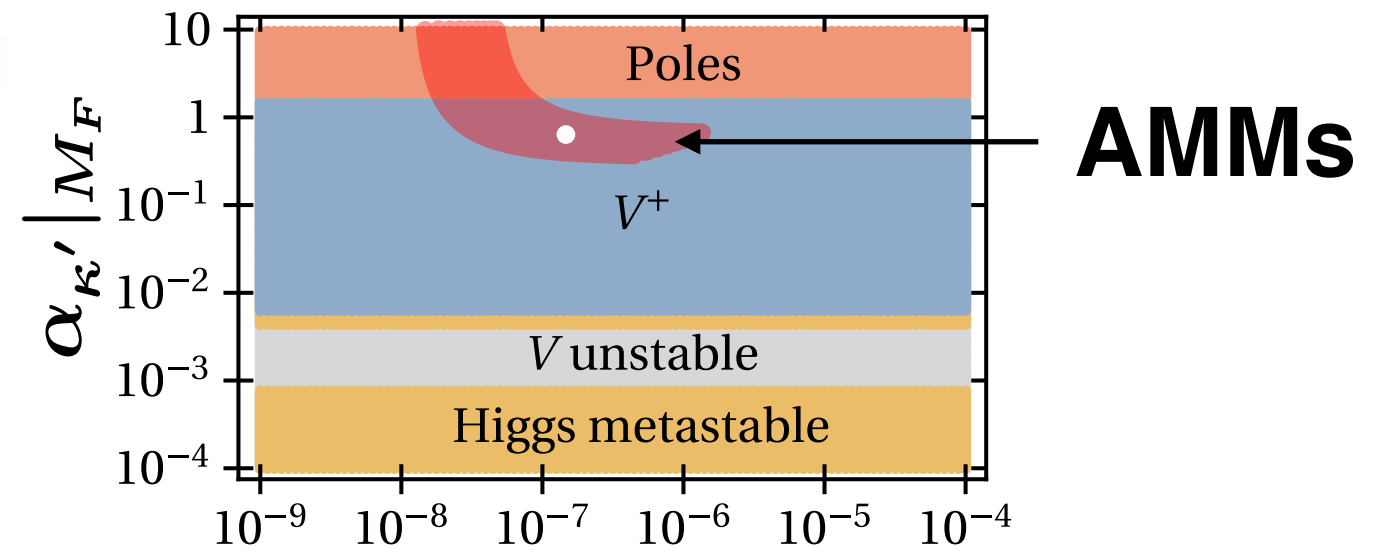
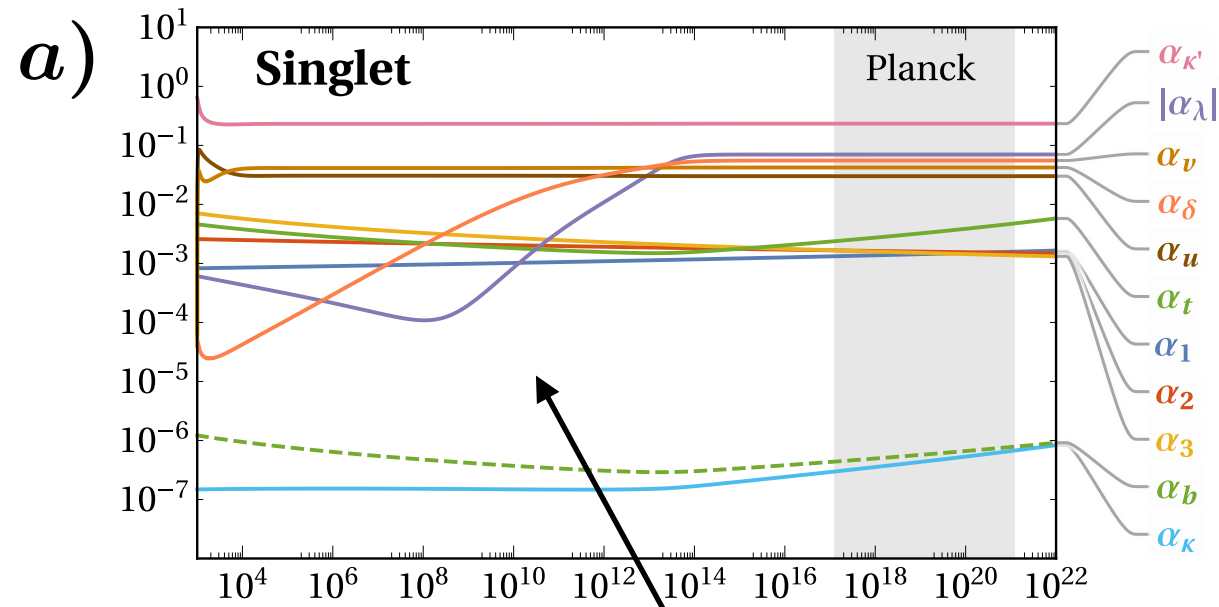
## natural explanation for both AMMs



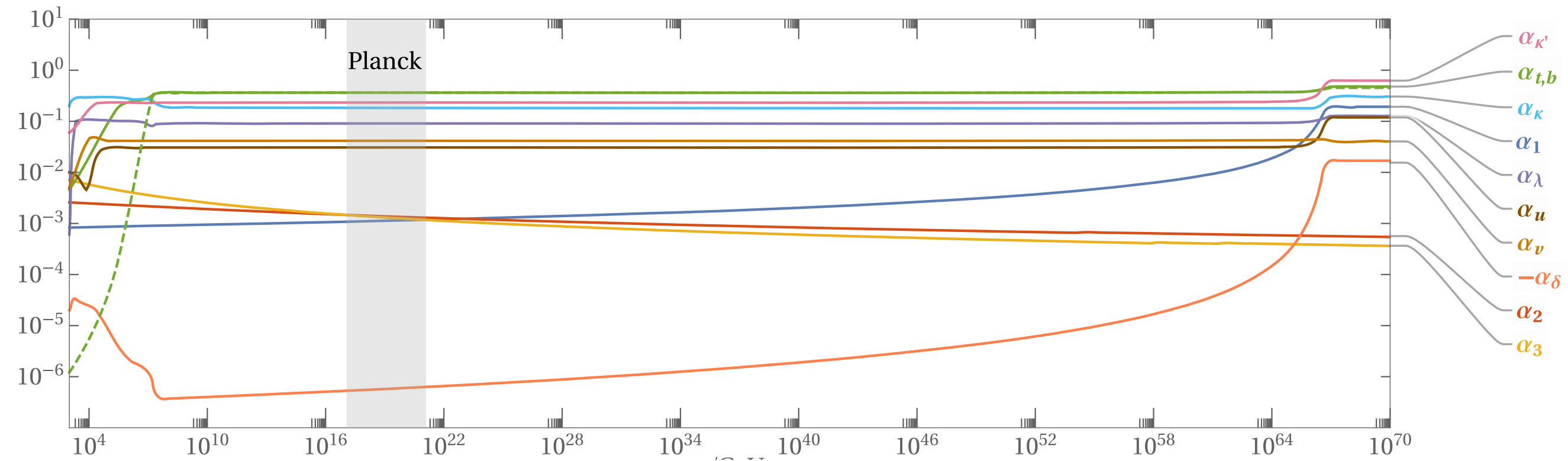
## constraints



# thinking BSM



**vacuum stability**

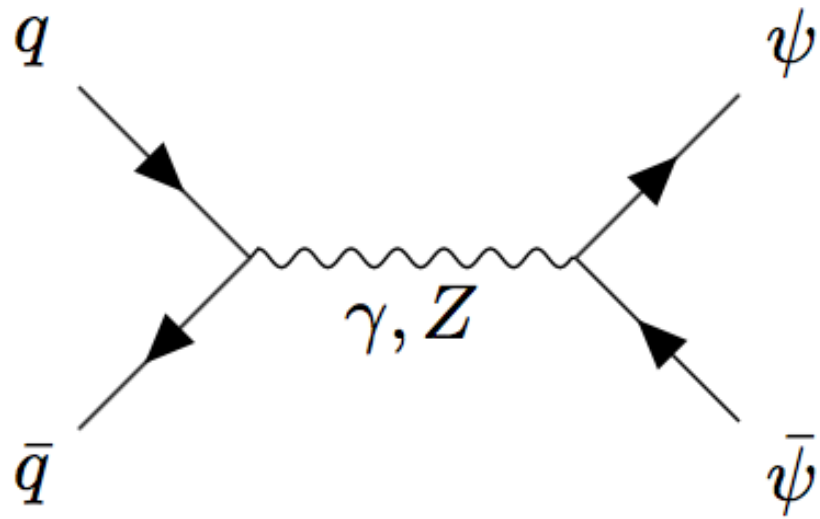


G Hiller, C Hermigos-Feliu, DF Litim, T Steudtner,  
**Anomalous magnetic moments from asymptotic safety** 1910.14062  
**Model building from asymptotic safety with Higgs and flavour portals** 2008.08606

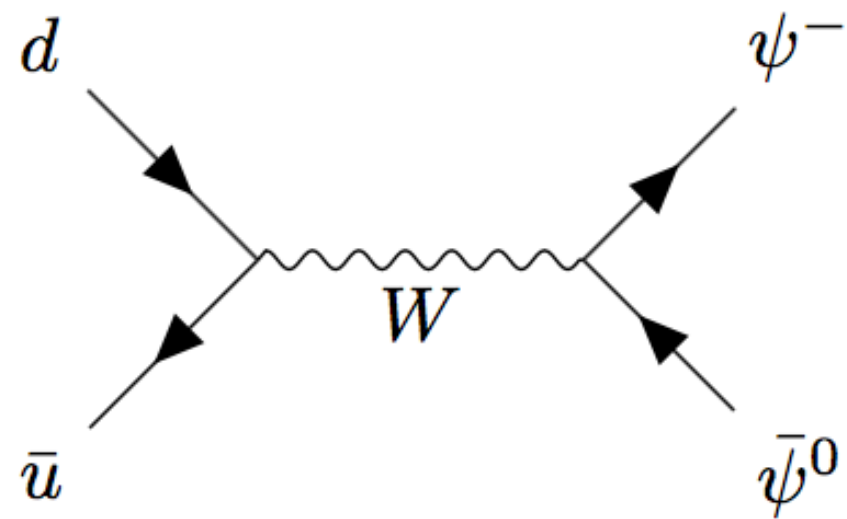
**new multiepton signatures**



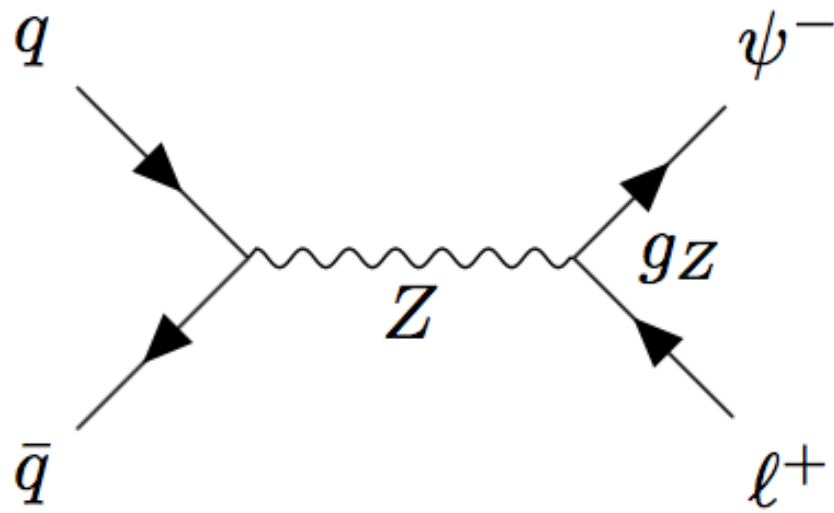
# pair production



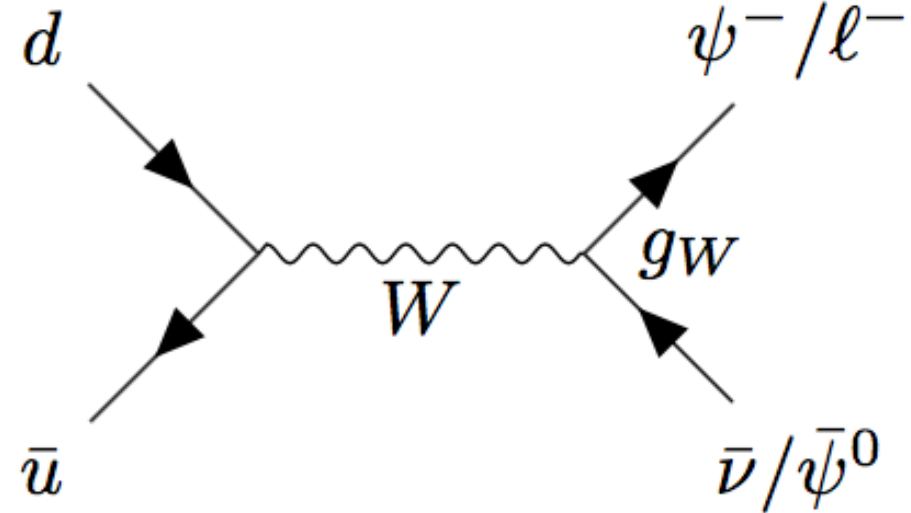
a)



b)



c)



d)

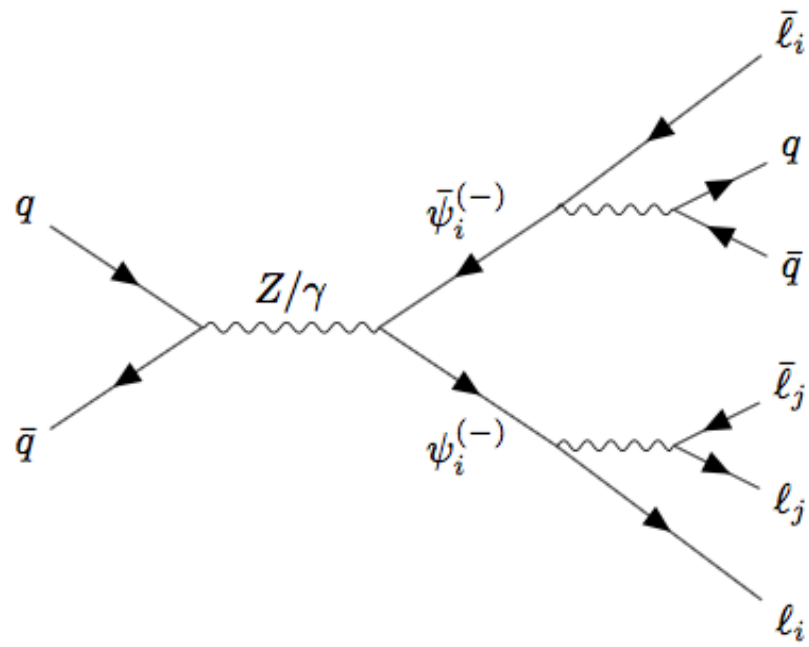
# new multilepton signatures

”unusual” decay patterns

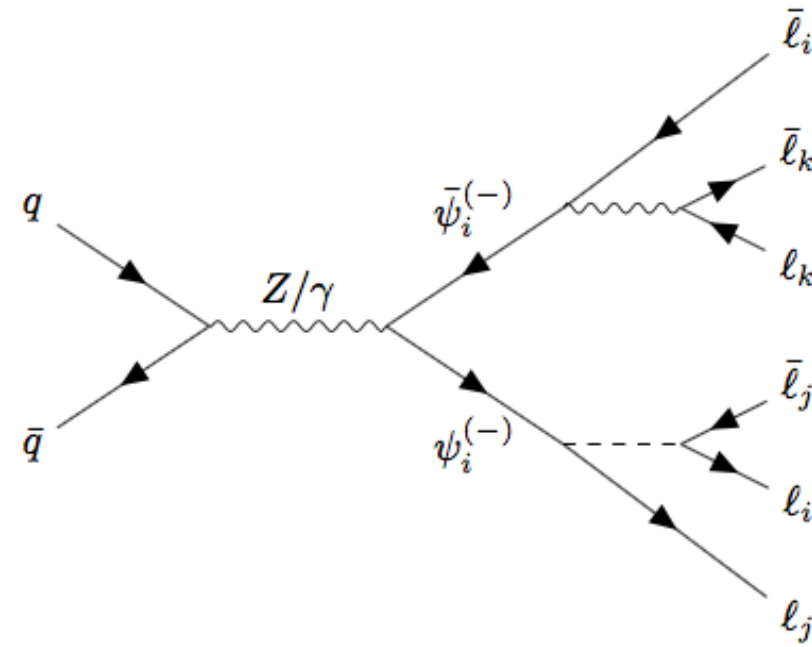
$$\psi_i \bar{\psi}_i \rightarrow \ell_j^- S_{ij}^* \ell_k^+ S_{ik} \rightarrow \ell_j^- \ell_j^+ \ell_i^- \ell_k^+ \ell_k^- \ell_i^+$$

allows SM null tests

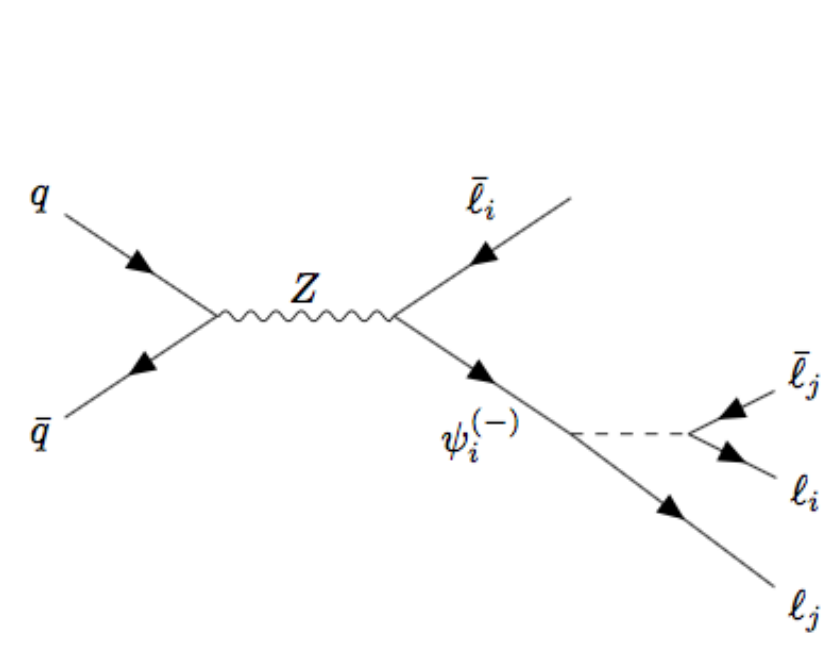
# Multi leptons



a)



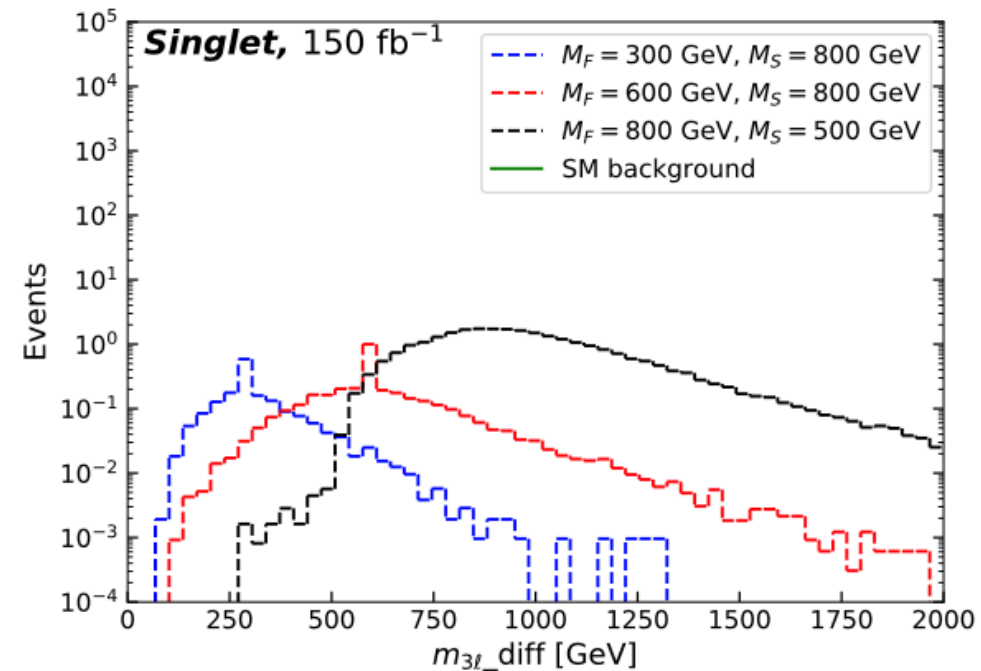
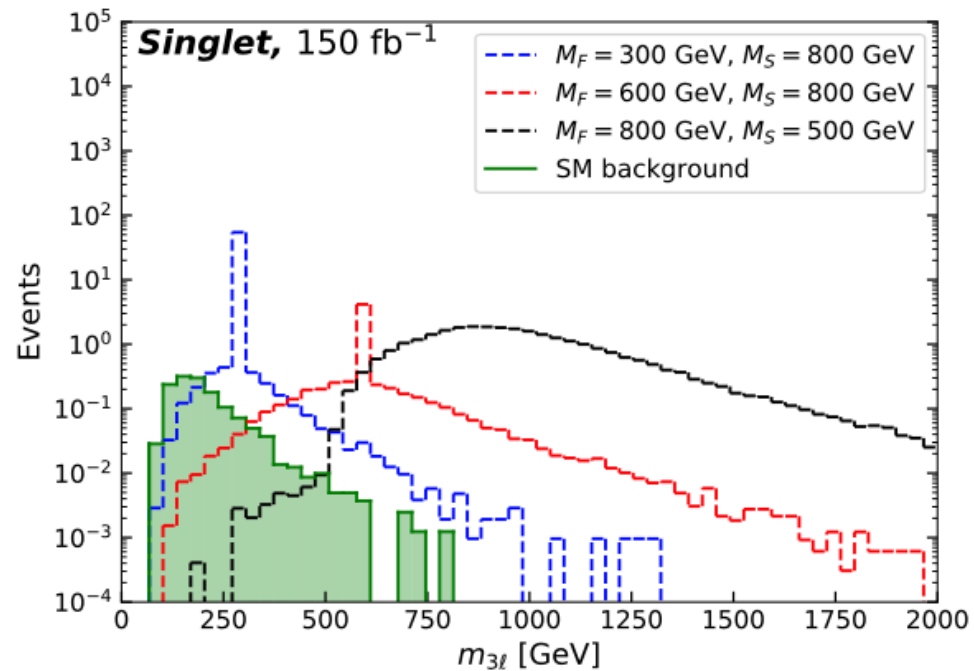
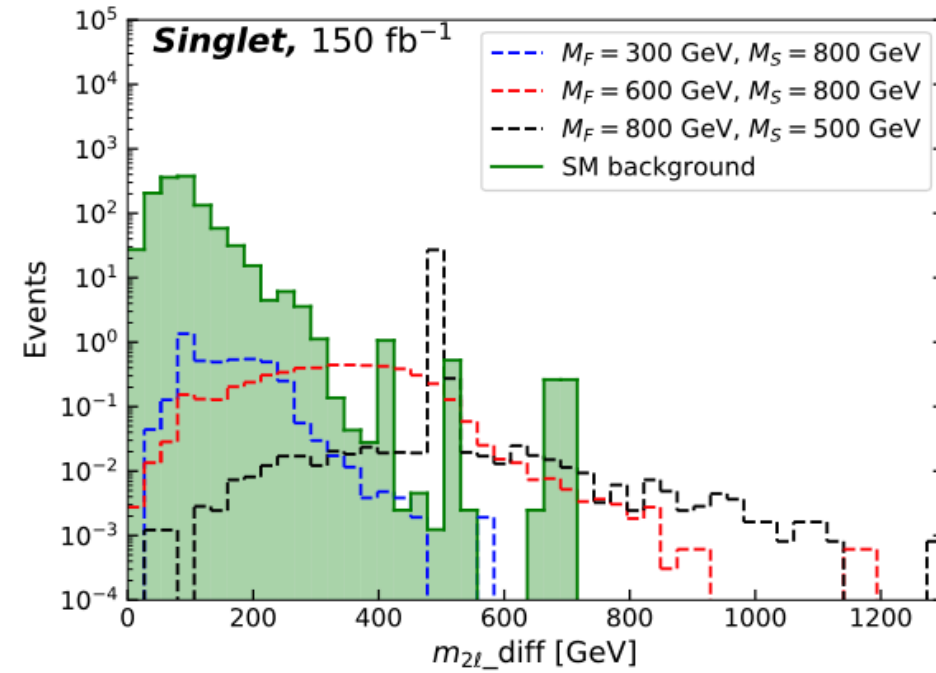
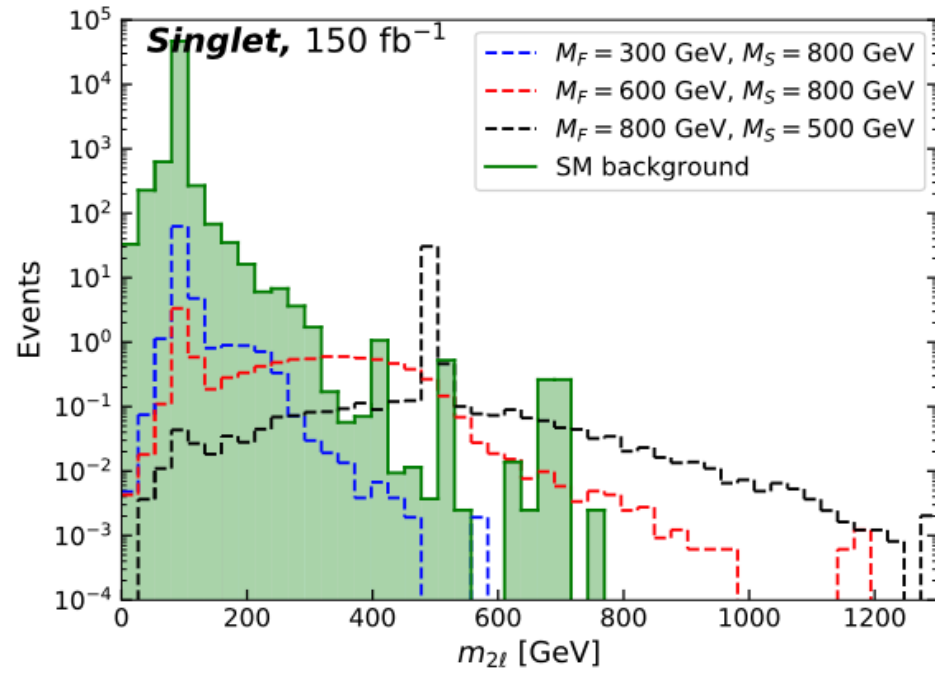
b)



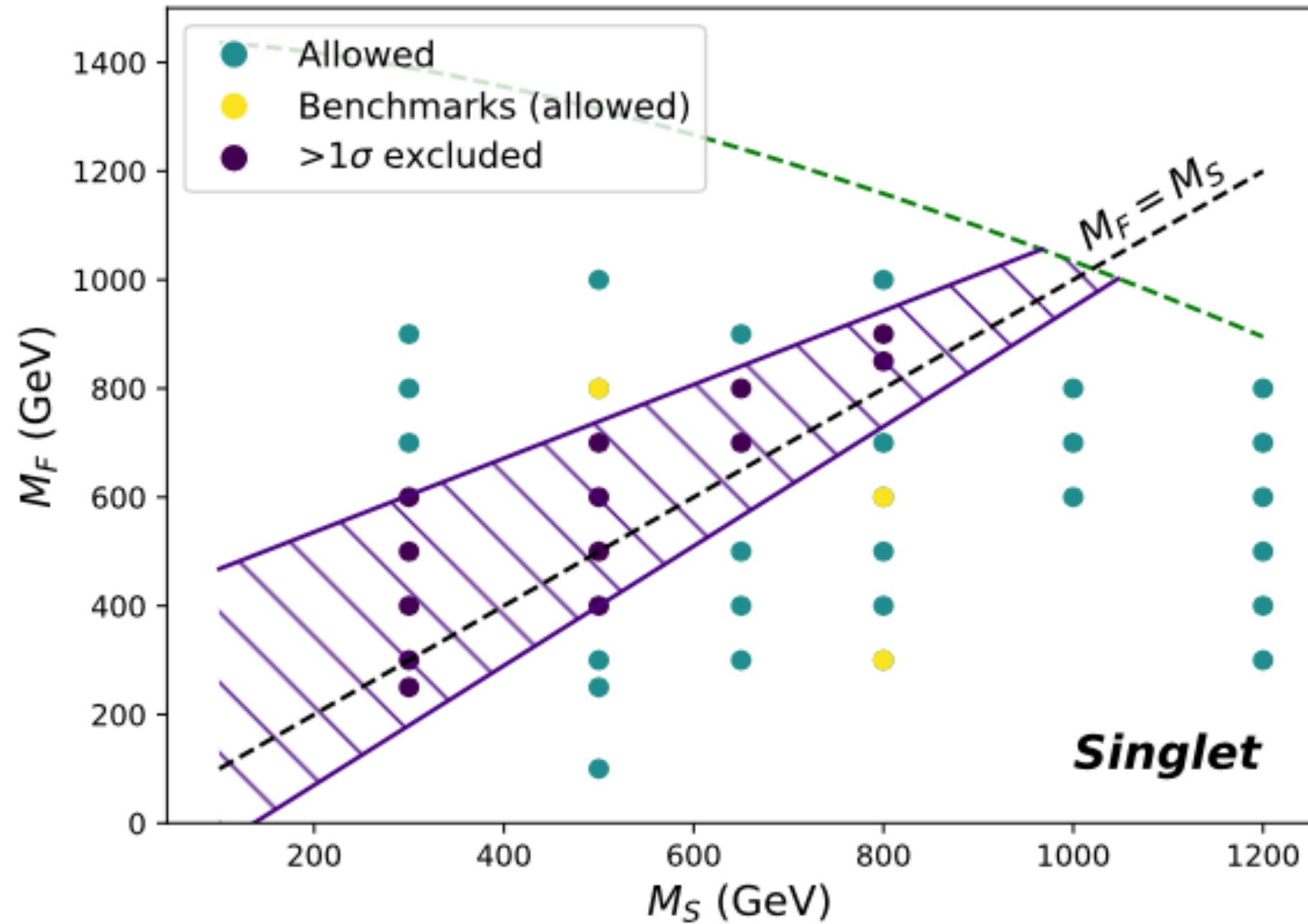
c)

# multilepton signatures

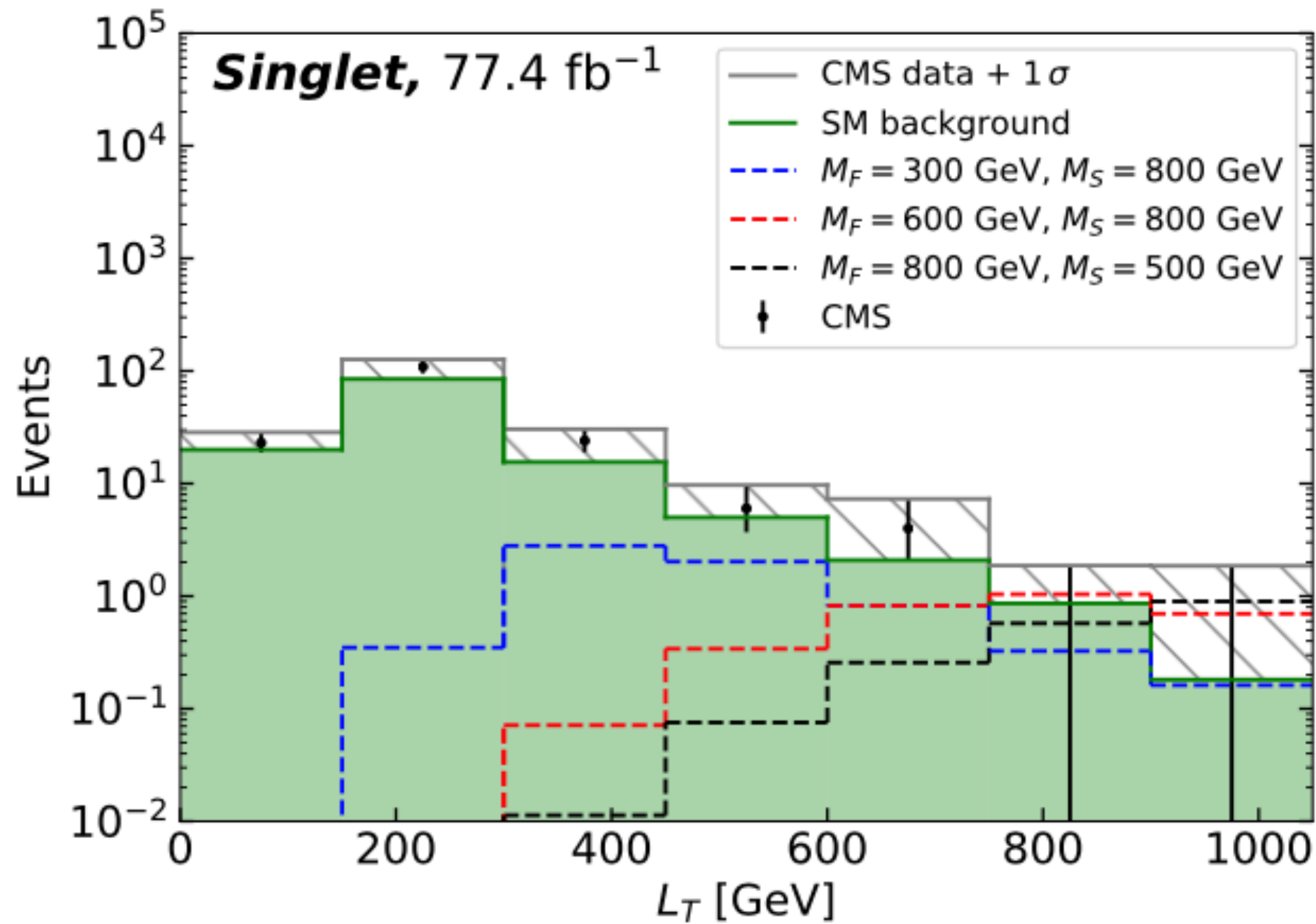
Run2



# phase space

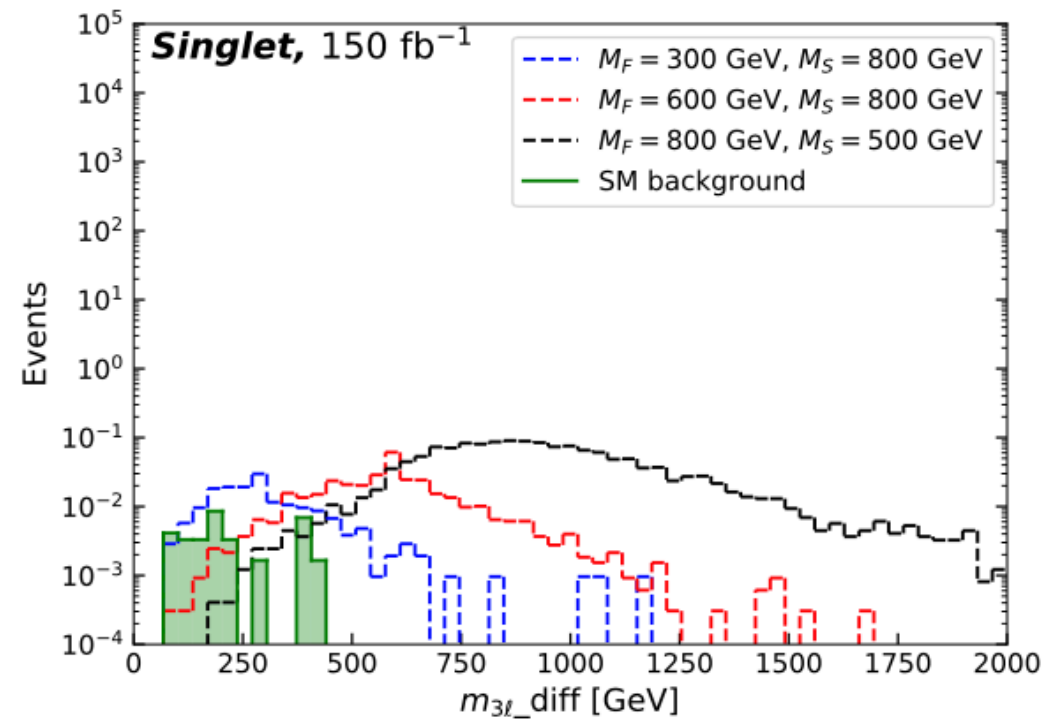
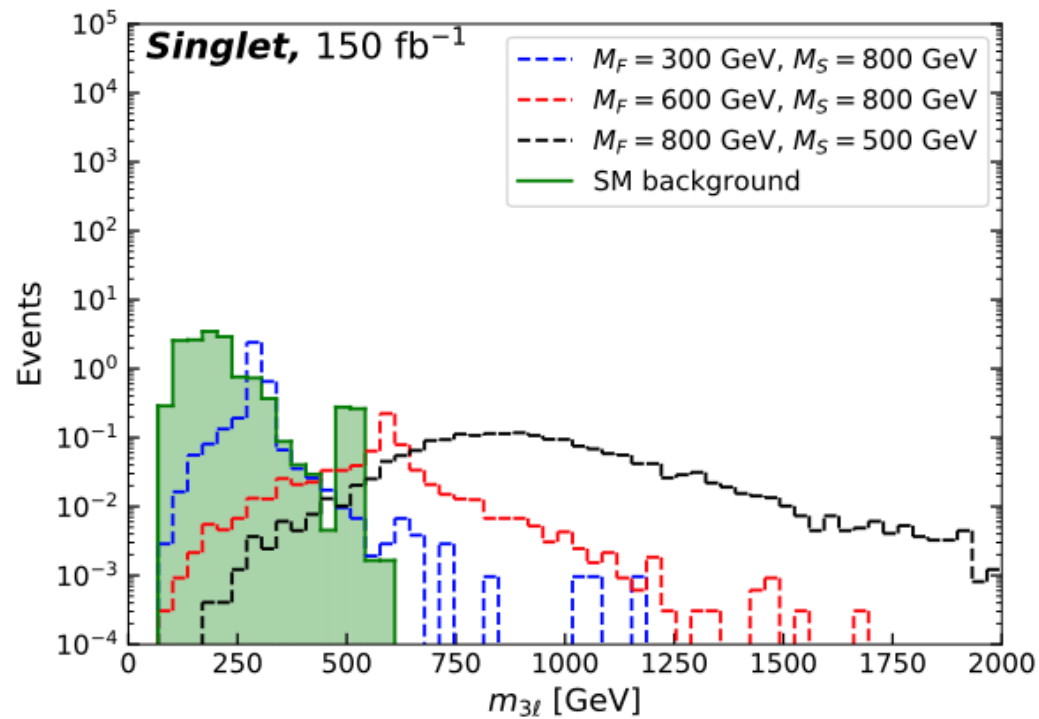
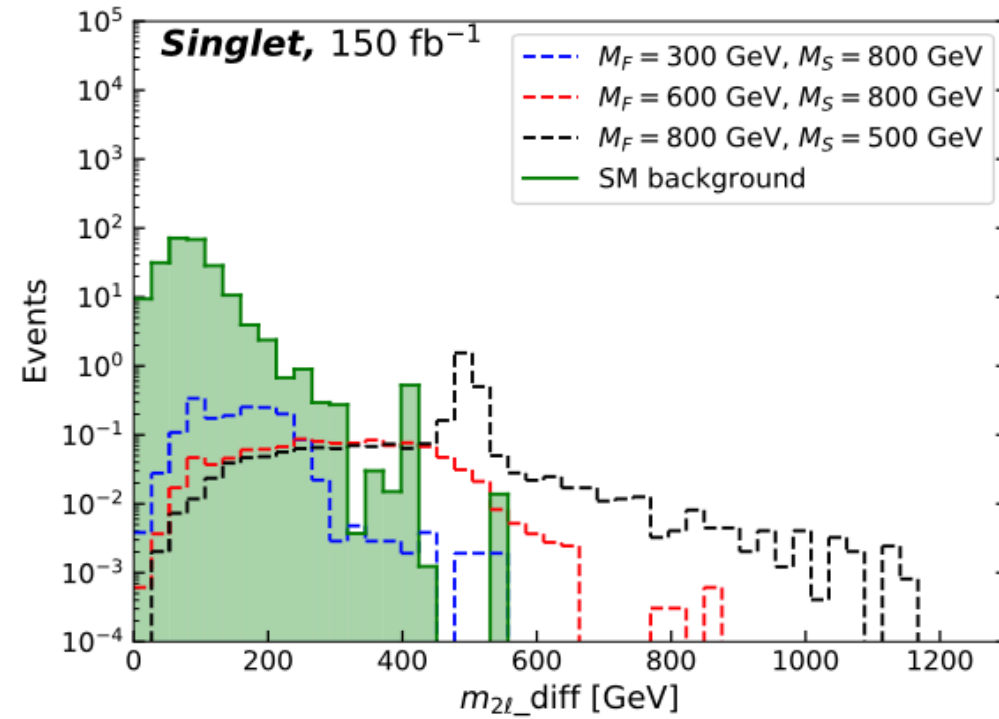
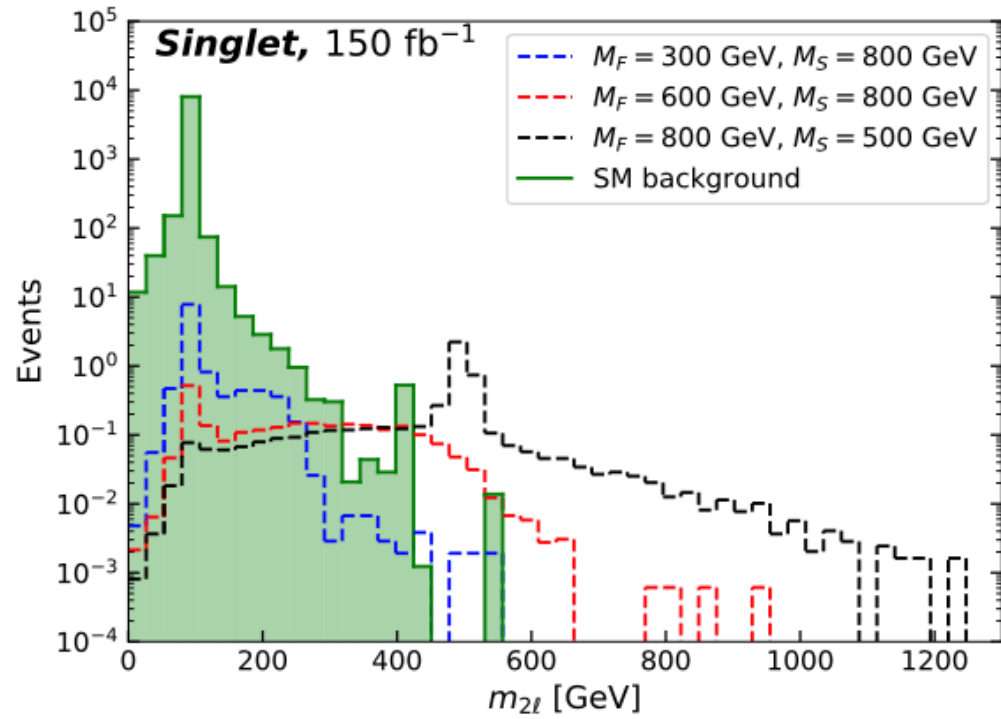


# LT distribution



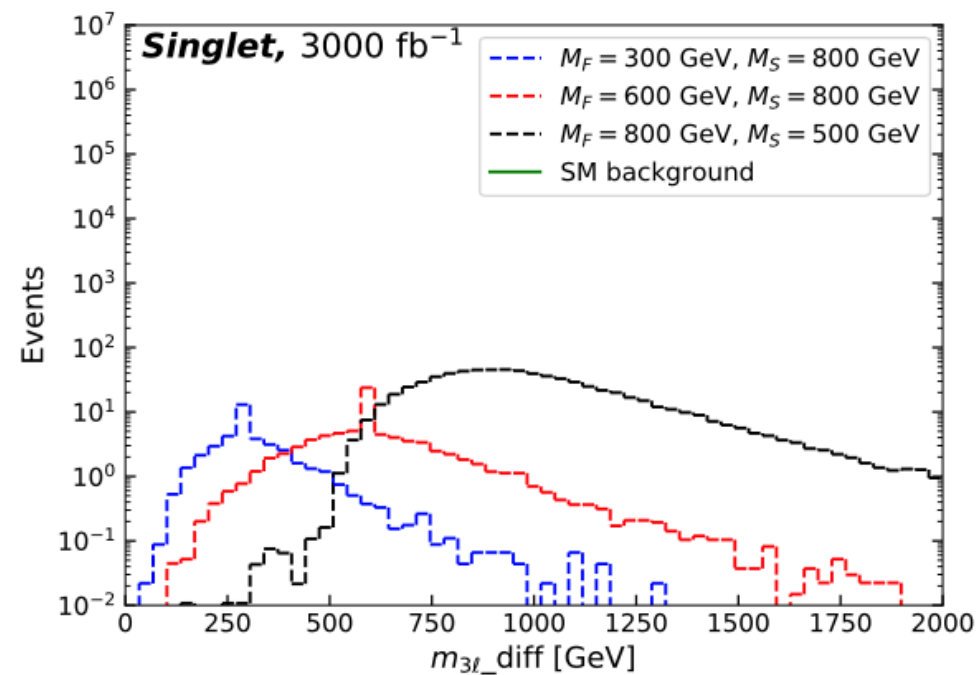
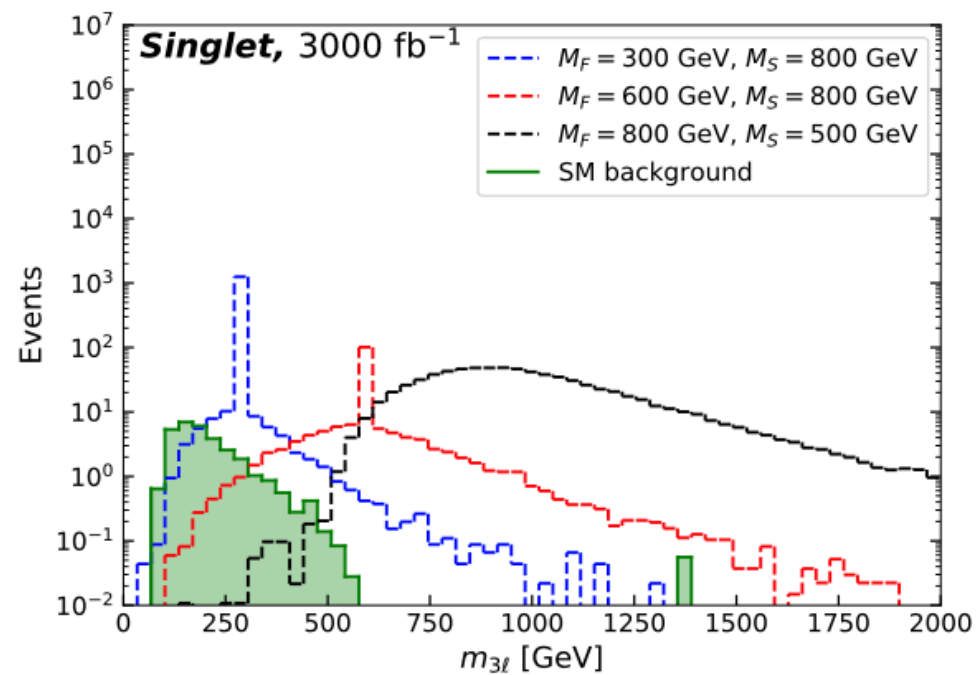
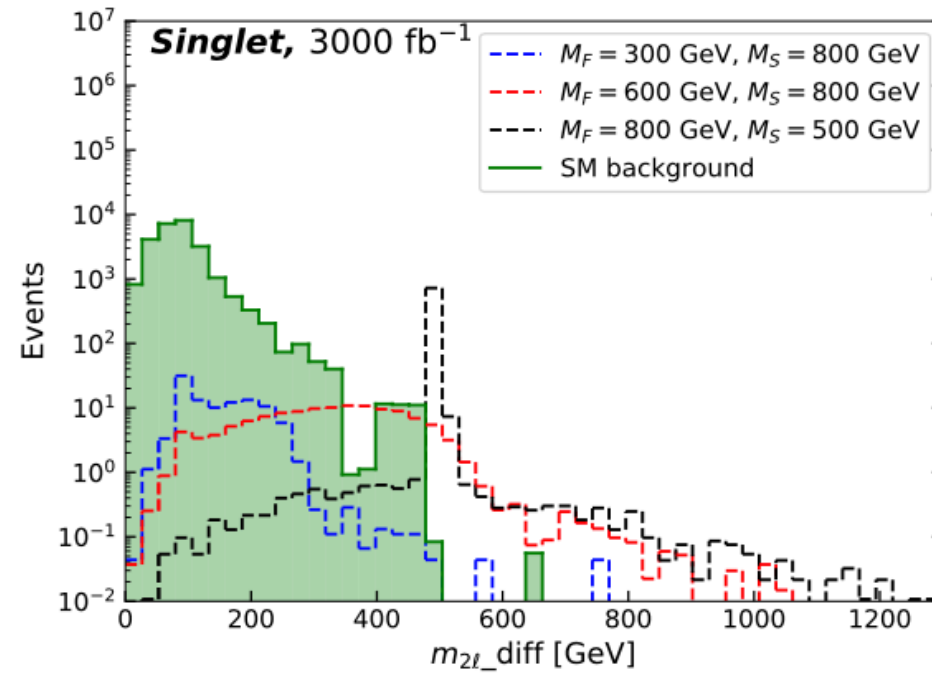
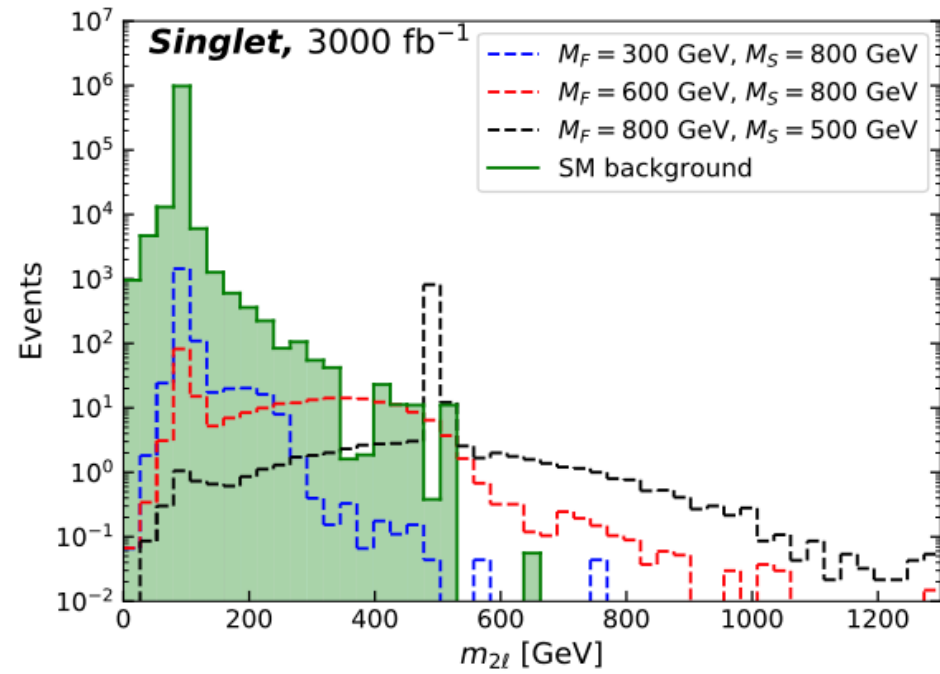
# multilepton signatures

Run2



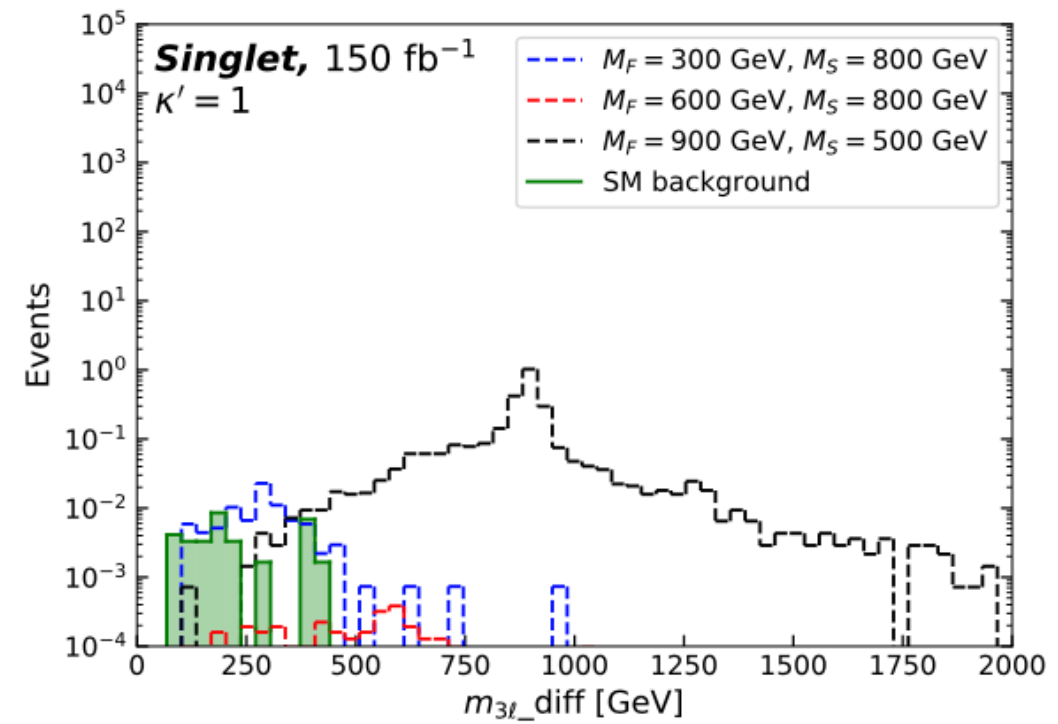
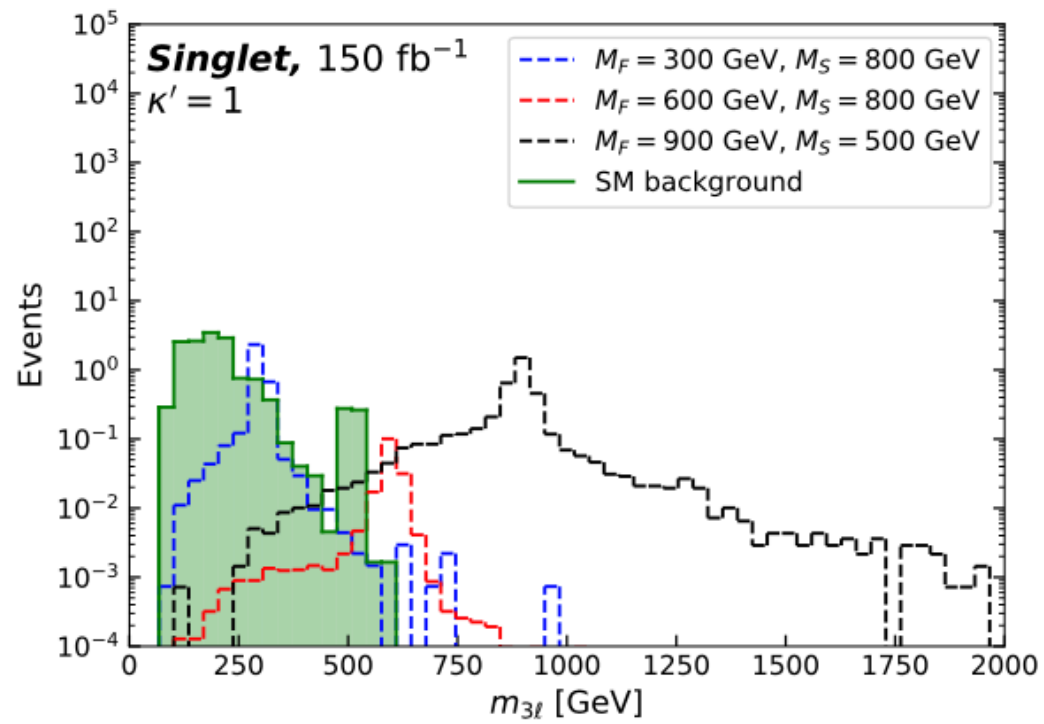
# multilepton signatures

HL-LHC





# m\_3L



# Conclusions

new model building ideas

**stability**  
**predictivity**

interesting signatures at colliders

SM null tests, and more!

