

# Systematic deconstruction of EFT operators

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# Introduction



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⇒ Not a surprise that **effective field theory** has received a lot of attention recently ...

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$\Rightarrow$  After EWSB, replace  $H \rightarrow v_{SM}$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{Wbg}} \rightarrow (m_\nu)_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{c_{\alpha\beta}}{\Lambda} v_{SM}^2$$

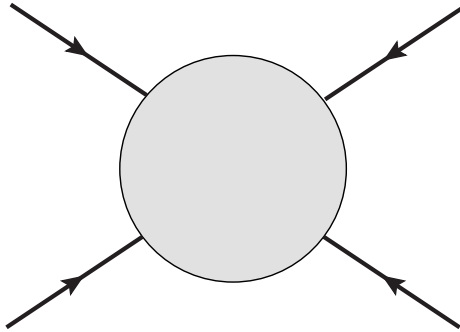
$\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{\text{Wbg}}$  generates Majorana neutrino masses

$\Rightarrow$  Suppressed by large scale  $\Lambda$  (!!!) - Seesaw mechanism

$\Rightarrow$  For  $c_{\alpha\beta} \sim 1$ ,  $\Lambda \sim 10^{(14-15)}$  GeV

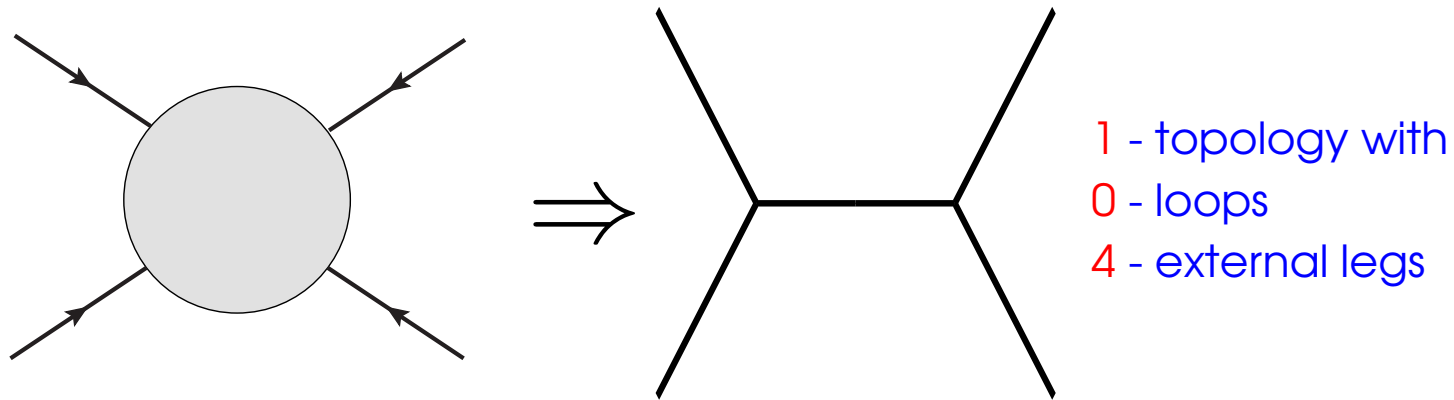
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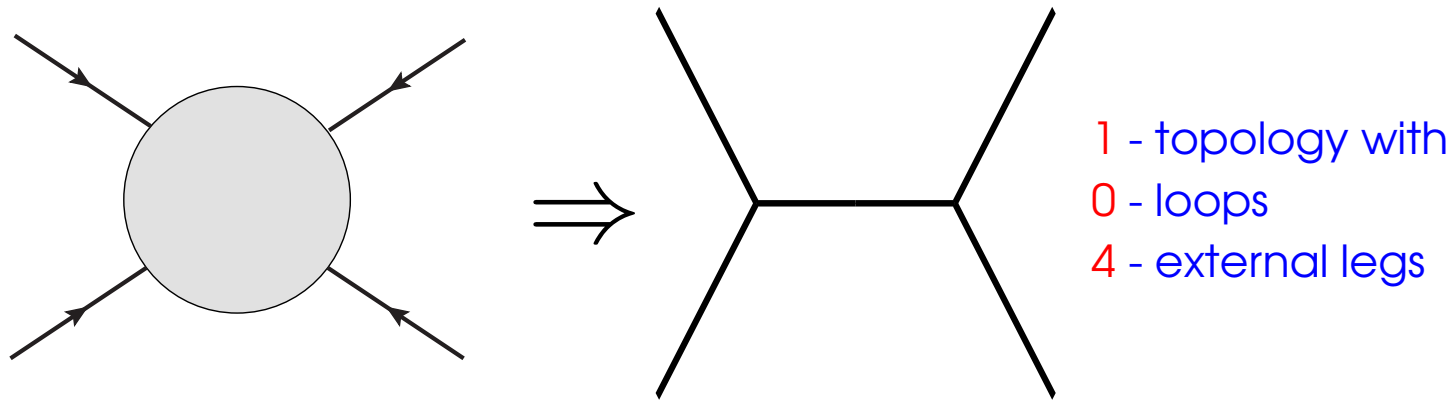
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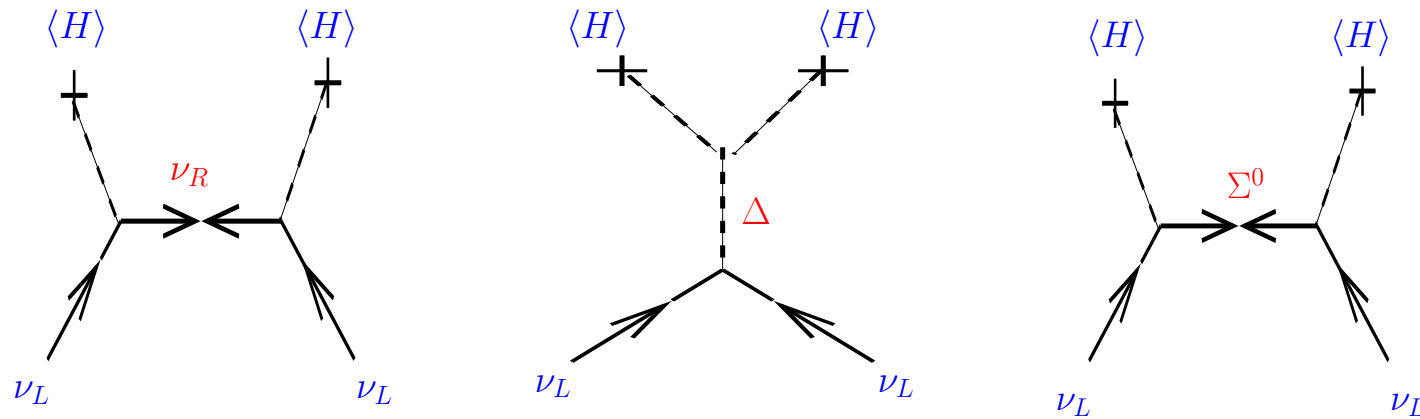


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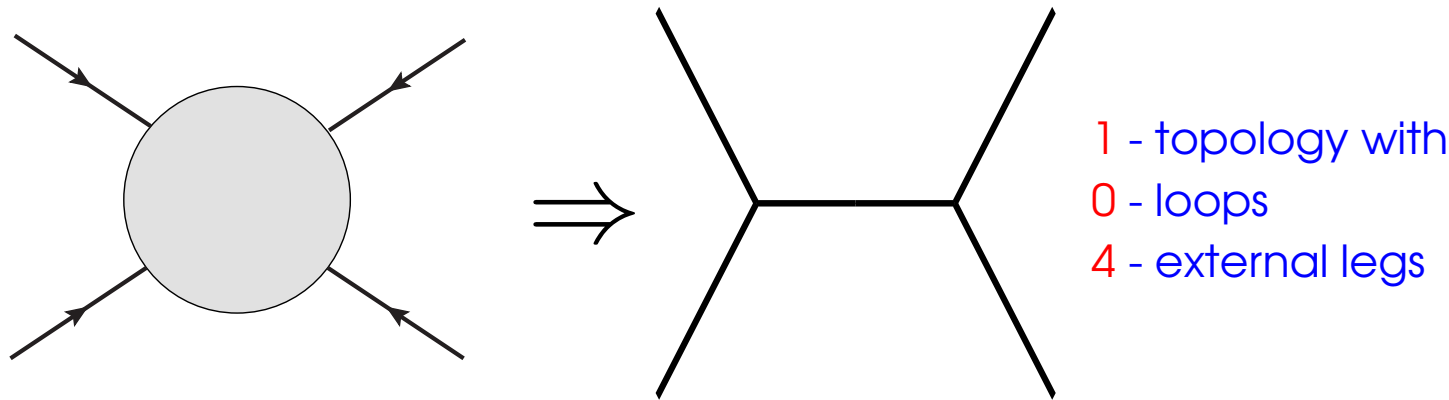
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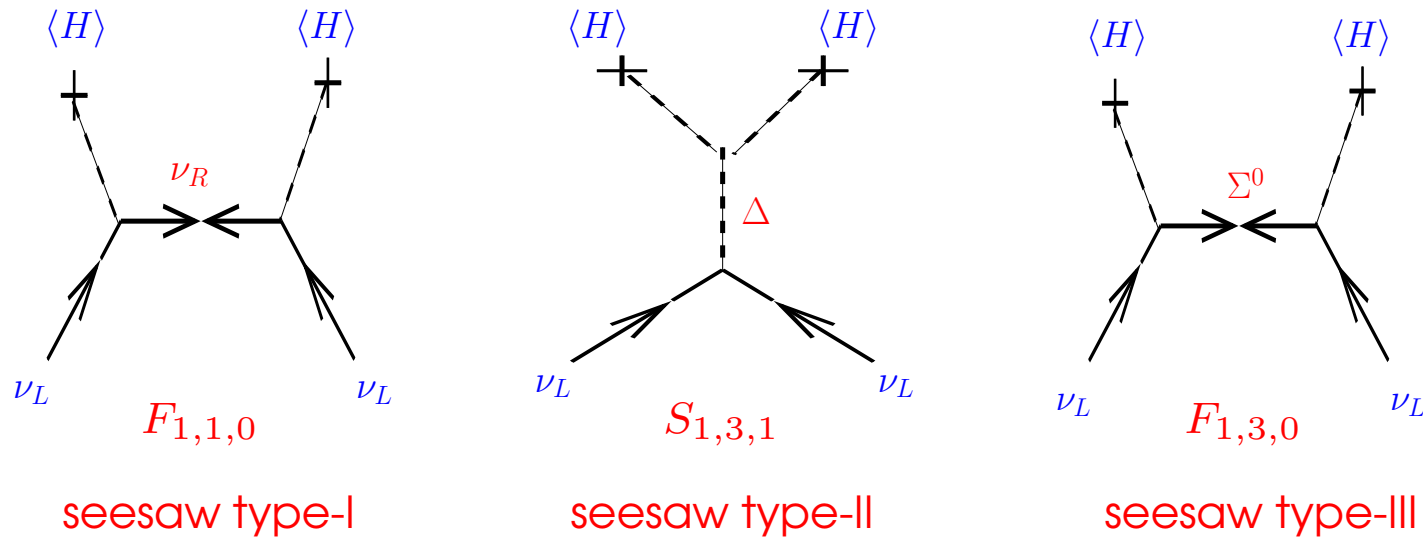
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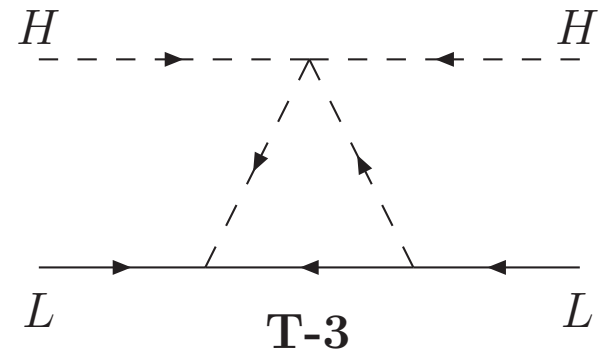
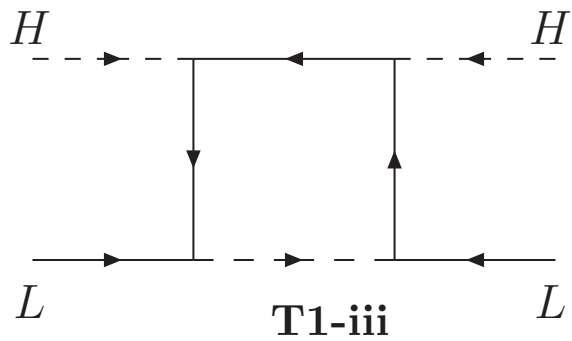
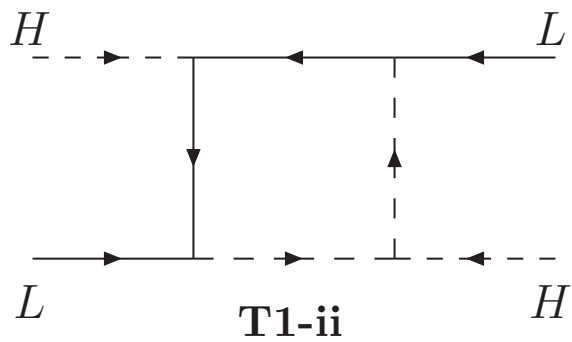
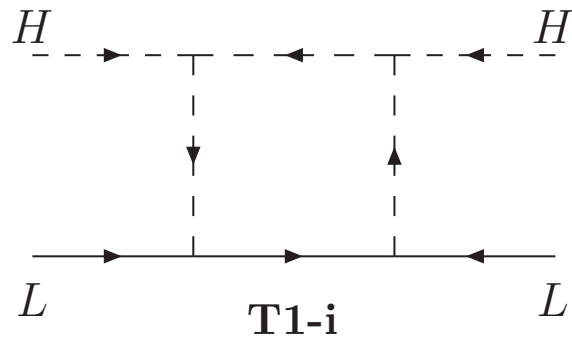
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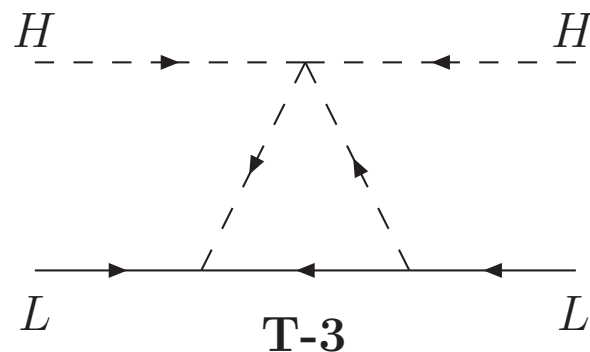
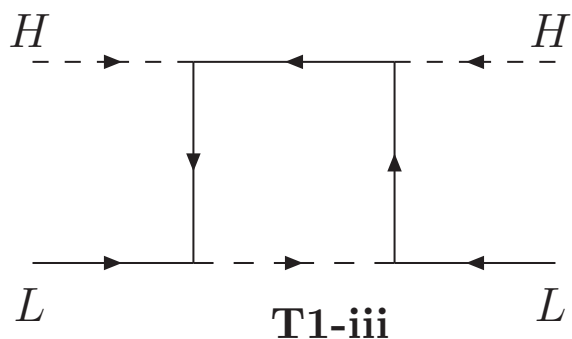
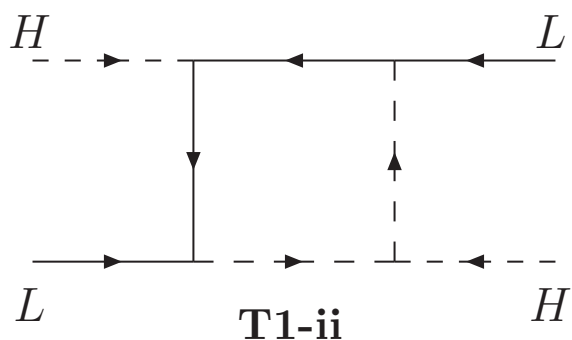
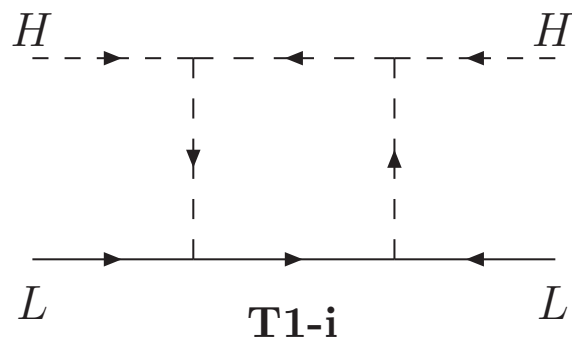


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BUT ... many models!

Arbeláez et al.; arXiv:2205.13063 count:

- 318 models with Dark Matter
- 406 models with "exit" particles

(Considering only scalars & fermions)  
(+ similar numbers with vectors)



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Eliminating all  
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IBP, EOM, Fierz

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redundant ops via:

IBP, EOM, Fierz

$\sim \mathcal{O}(60)$  operator  
structures

In total:

2499

independent  
parameters

Can one  
automatize model  
construction?



*II.*

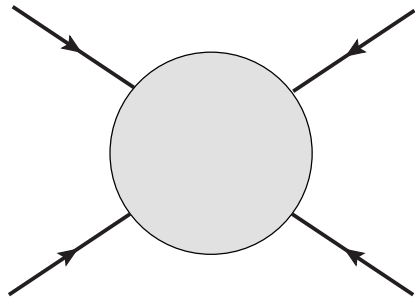
Diagrammatica:  
Deconstruction of EFT operators

Four fermion operators:

Cepedello et al.; 2207.13714 & 2301.xxxxx

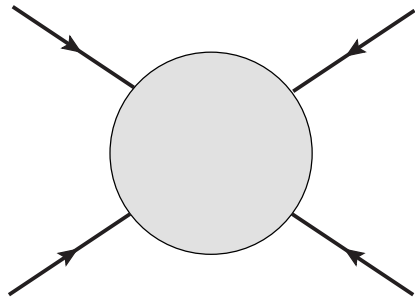
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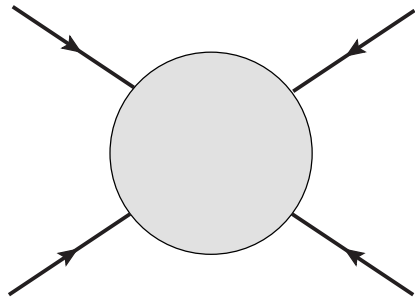
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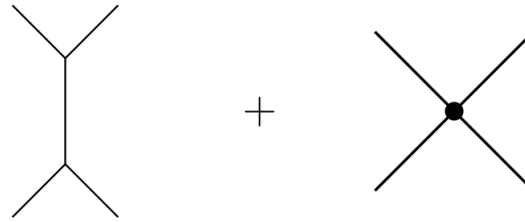
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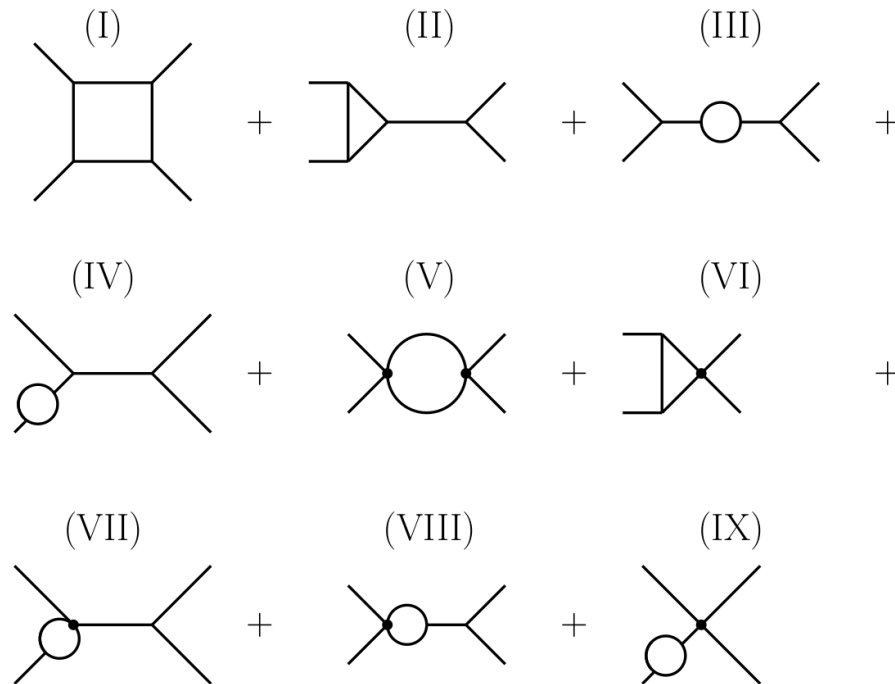


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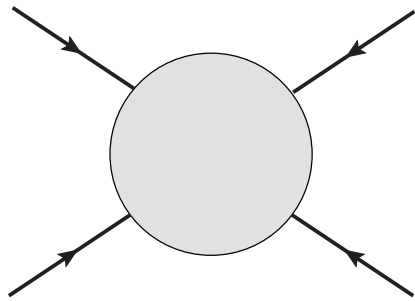
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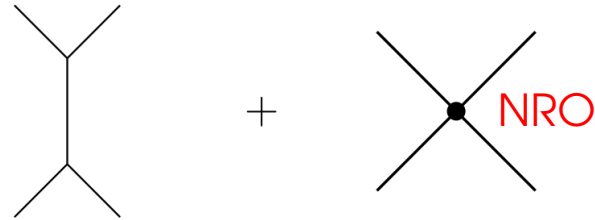


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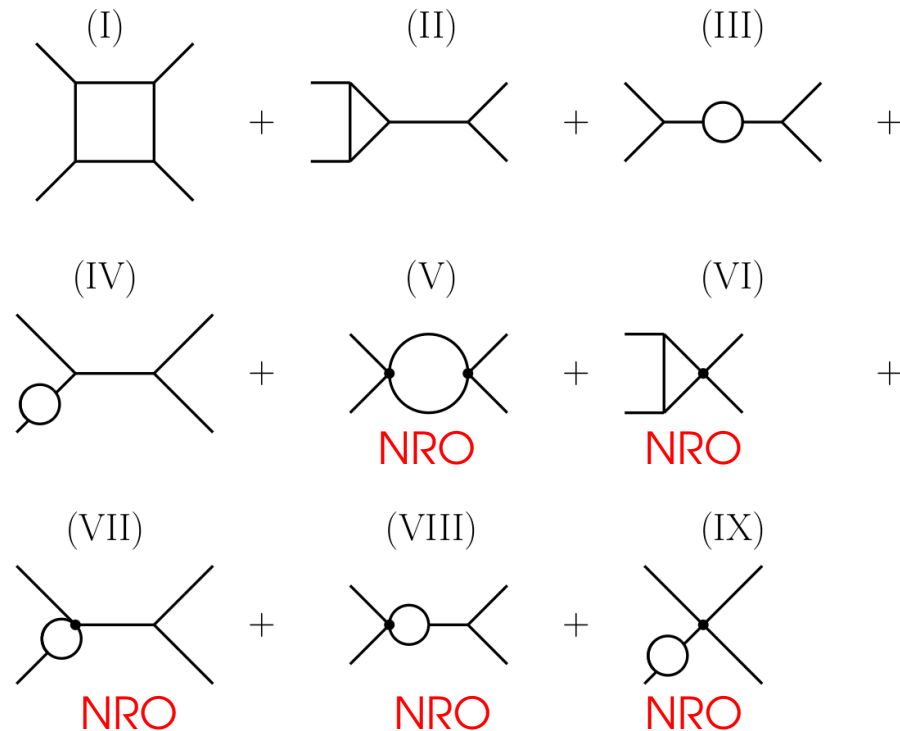
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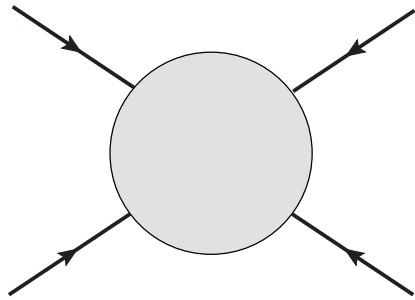
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⇒ For a UV complete model consider only renormalizable interactions



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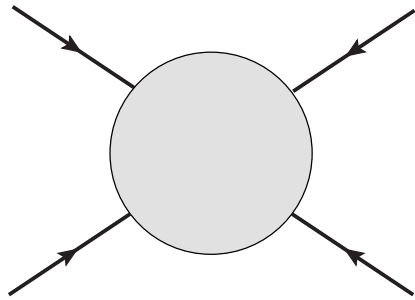


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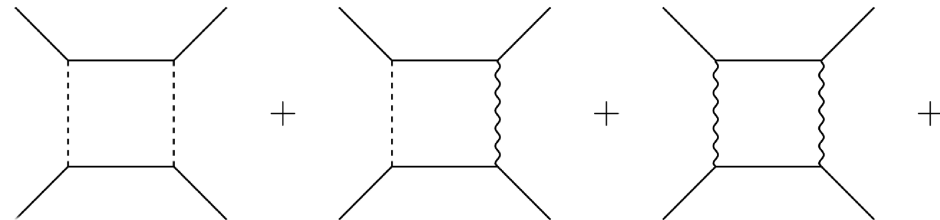


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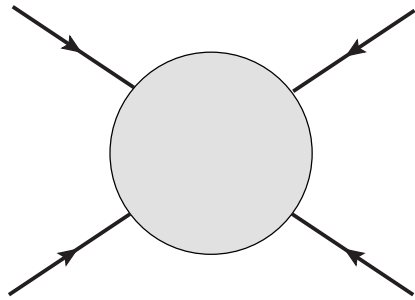
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... other (non-box) diagrams ...

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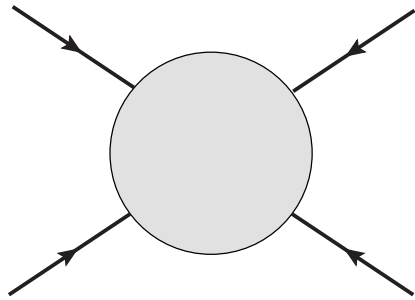
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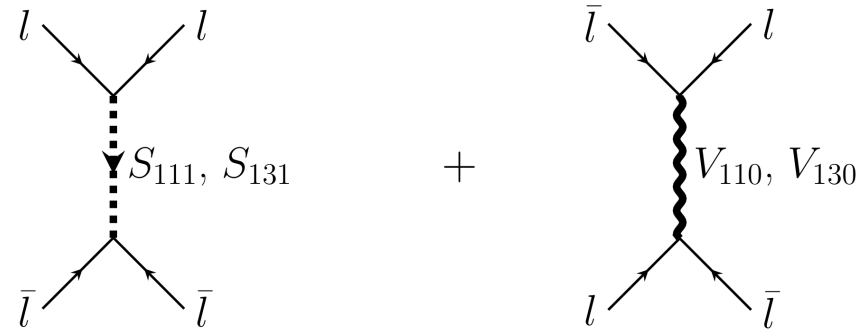
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Tree-level

$$\mathcal{O}_{ll} = (\bar{l}_\alpha \gamma^\mu l_\beta) (\bar{l}_\gamma \gamma_\mu l_\delta)$$



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$V$  - vector

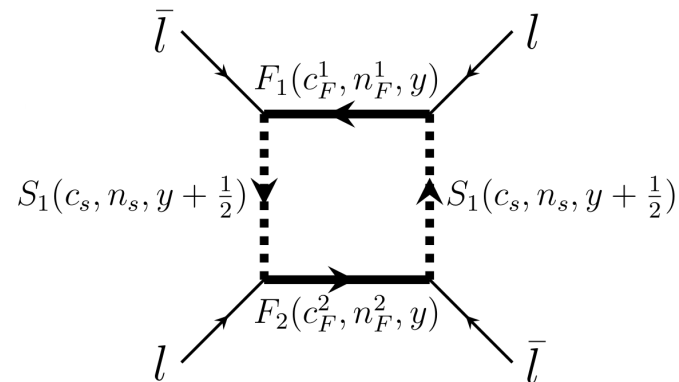
$S$  - scalar

$F$  - fermion

Subscripts:

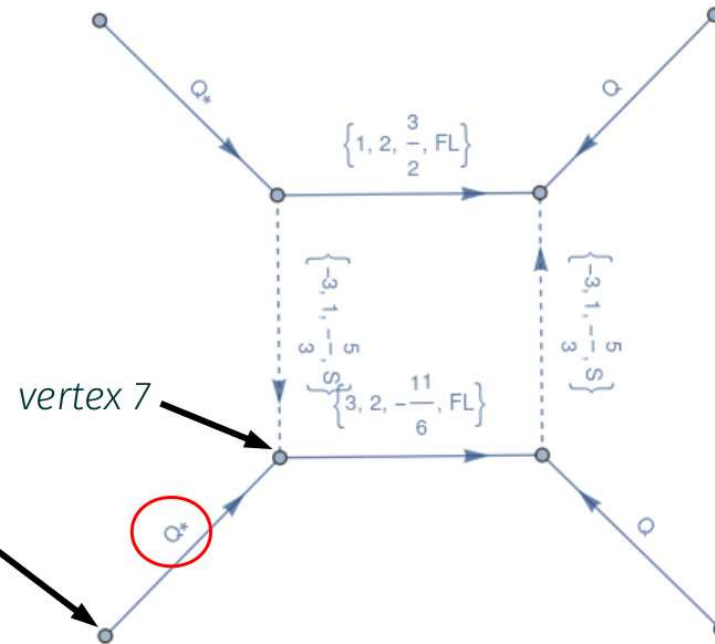
$SU(3), SU(2)_L, U(1)_Y$

1-loop



# ModGen

All the process can be **automated** via “generalised” adjacency matrices: the entries are the quantum numbers of the particles in the diagram with every column and row invariant under the symmetries.



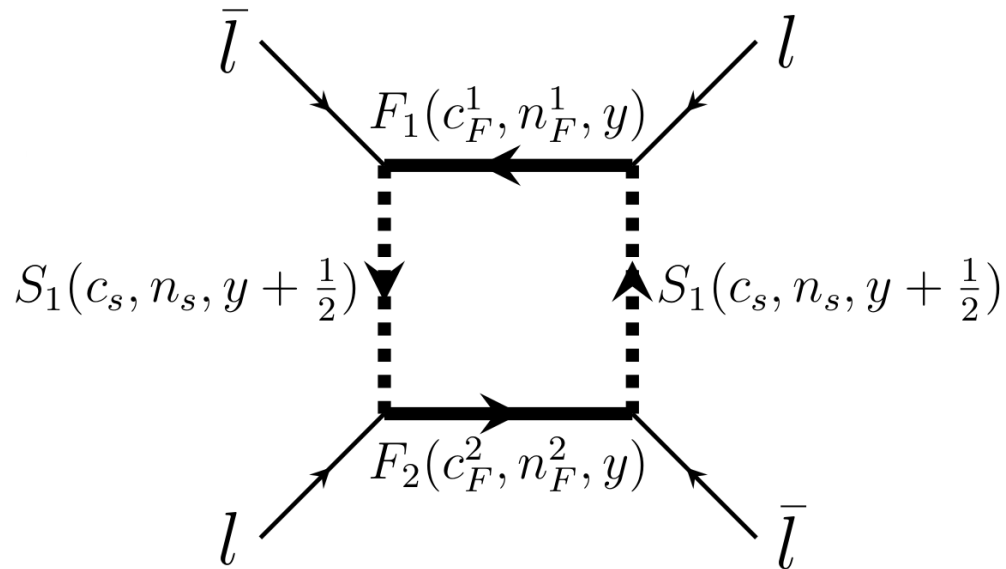
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Mathematica: Can easily deal with, manipulate and store all necessary info

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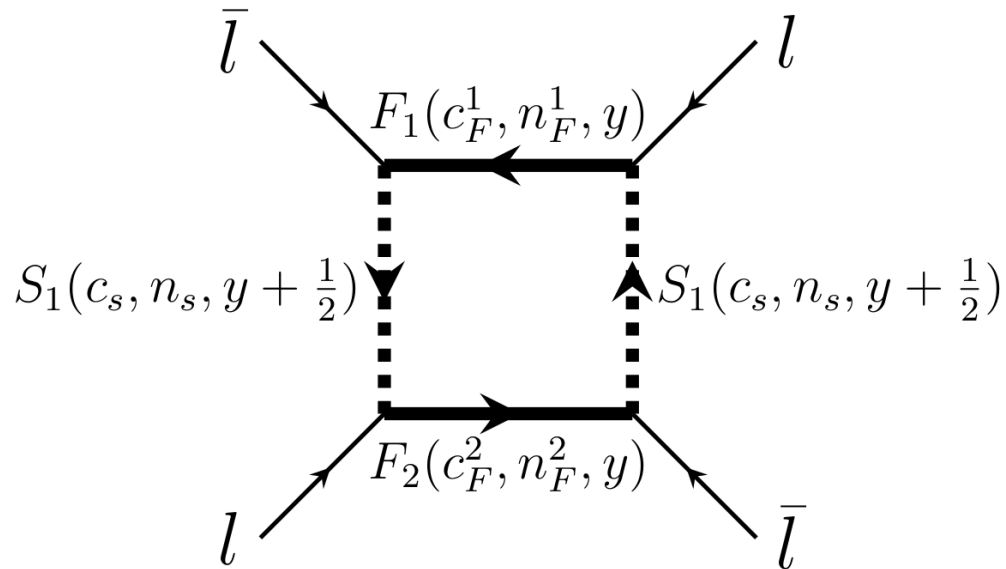
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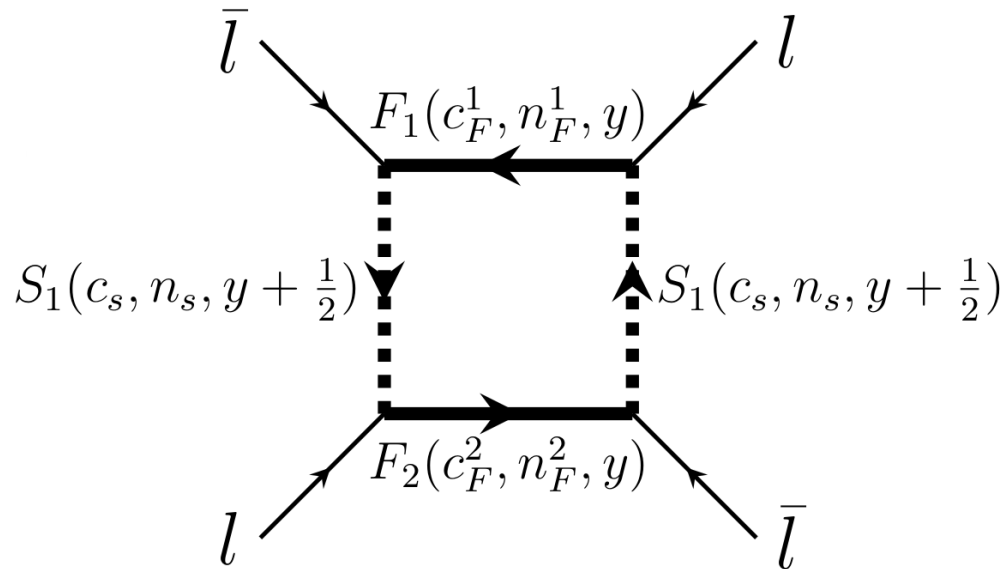
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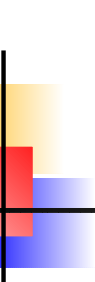
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# *III.*

## 1-loop models for 4F operators





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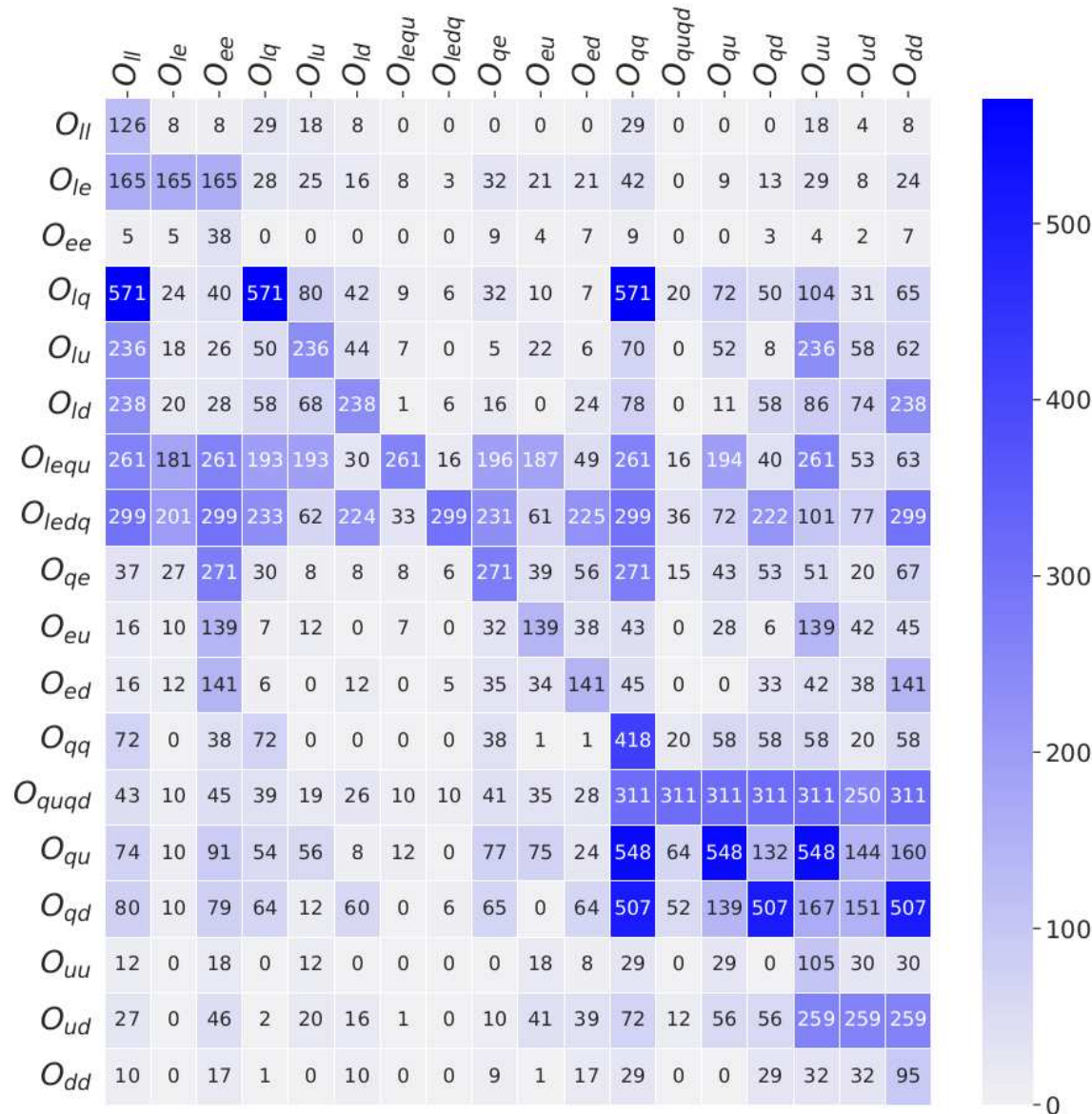
## (ii) Theoretical arguments:

No Landau poles

Adding large multiplets to SM field content  
one (or more)  $\alpha_i$  goes to infinity below  $M_G$

... others ...

# 'Exit' models: Statistics



'Overlap matrix':

Excluding 'exits' that generate 4F at tree

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How to read:

On the diagonal:  
number of models for  $O_{ii}$

Max: 571

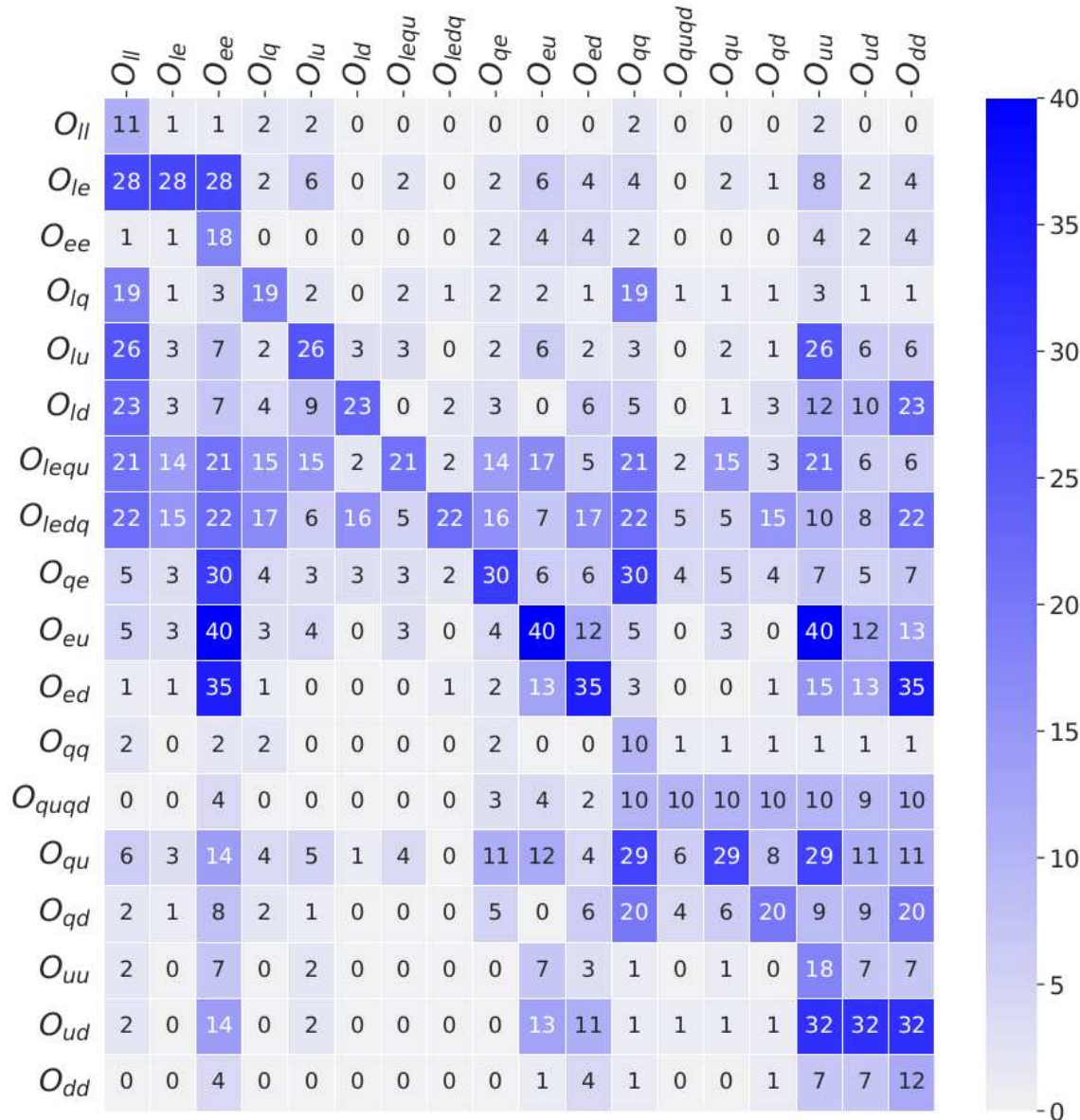
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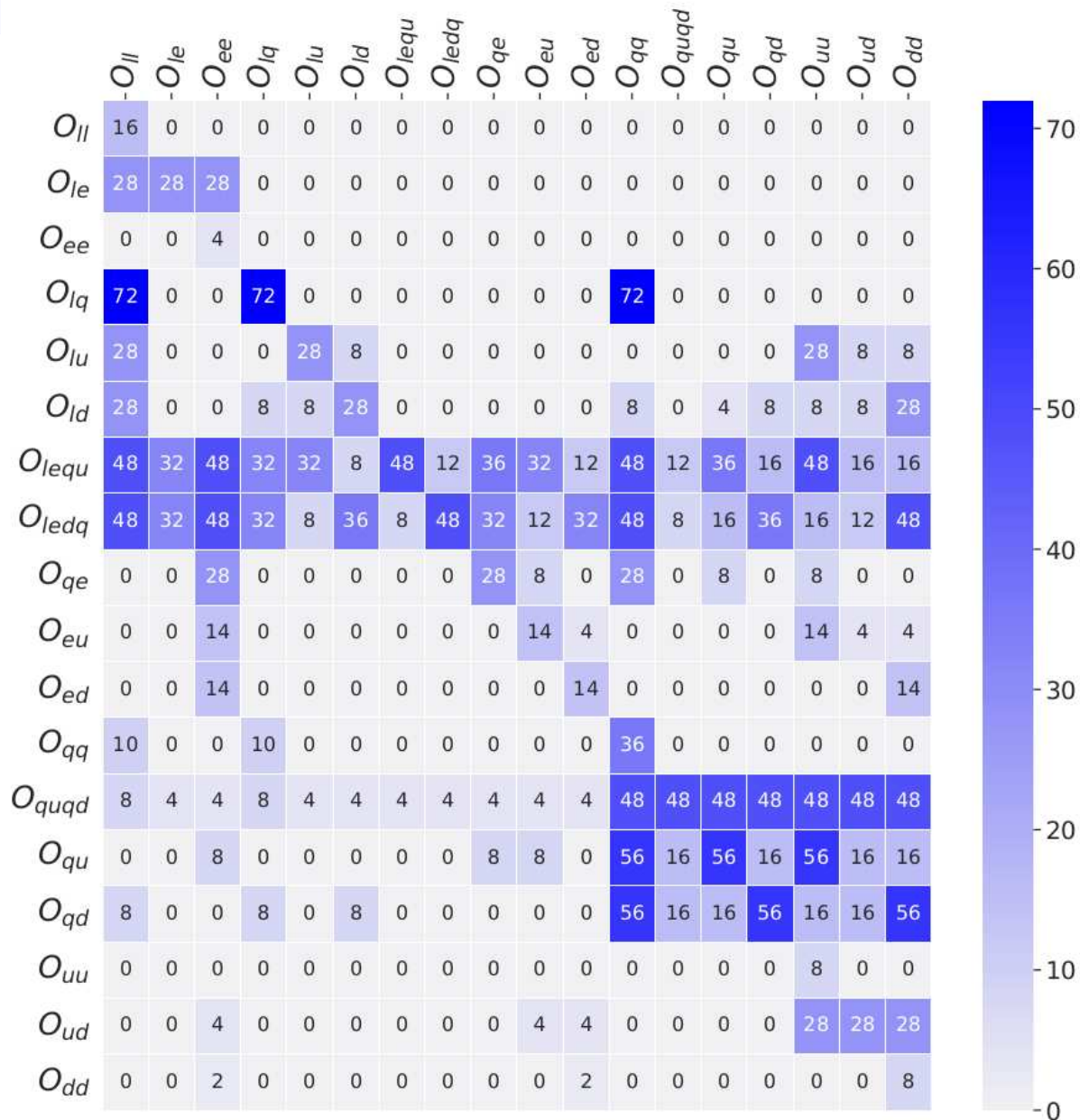
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Dark matter candidate:

$S_{1,3,0}$  or  $F_{1,3,0}$

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On the diagonal:

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Max: 72

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*IV.*

A minimal example model:  
Phenomenology



# Toy model

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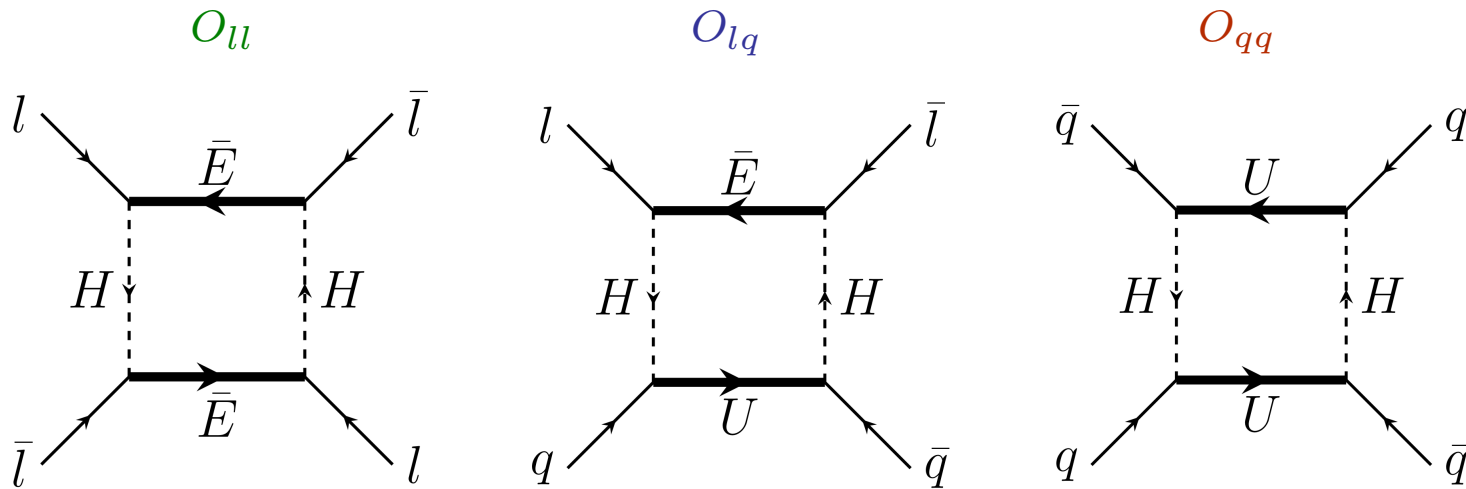
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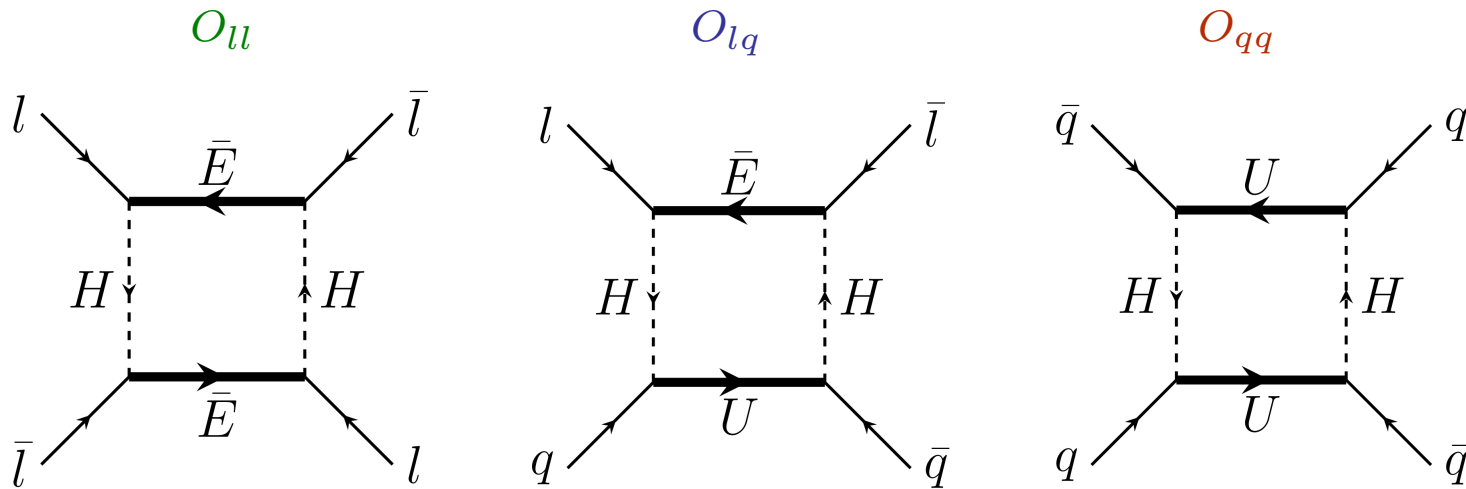
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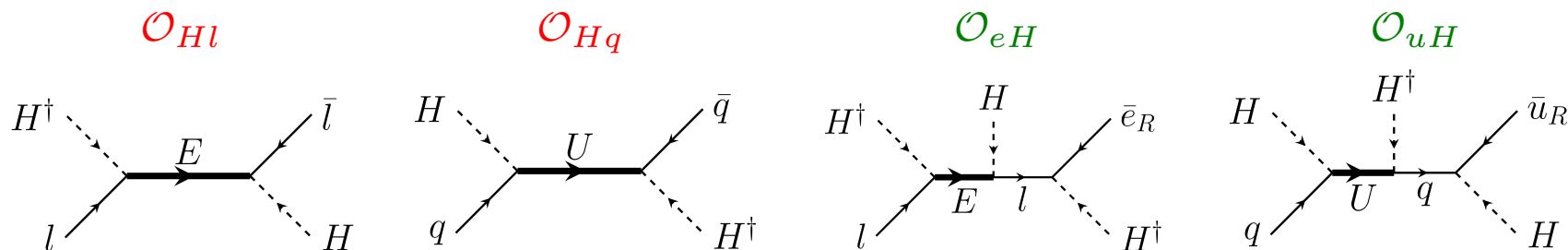
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Exact matching done  
using **MatchmakerEFT**

Carmona et al.  
arXiv:2112.10787

# Higgs-fermion operators

In the 'exit' class of models, unavoidably:



Operator	General expression
$c_{\phi l}^{(1)}$	$-\frac{1}{4} \frac{ \lambda_E ^2}{m_E^2}$
$c_{\phi l}^{(3)}$	$-\frac{1}{4} \frac{ \lambda_E ^2}{m_E^2}$
$c_{\phi q}^{(1)}$	$\frac{1}{4} \frac{ \lambda_U ^2}{m_U^2}$
$c_{\phi q}^{(3)}$	$-\frac{1}{4} \frac{ \lambda_U ^2}{m_U^2}$
$c_{e\phi}$	$\frac{1}{2} \frac{ \lambda_E ^2}{m_E^2} y_e$
$c_{u\phi}$	$\frac{1}{2} \frac{ \lambda_U ^2}{m_U^2} y_u$

Tree-level generated operators:

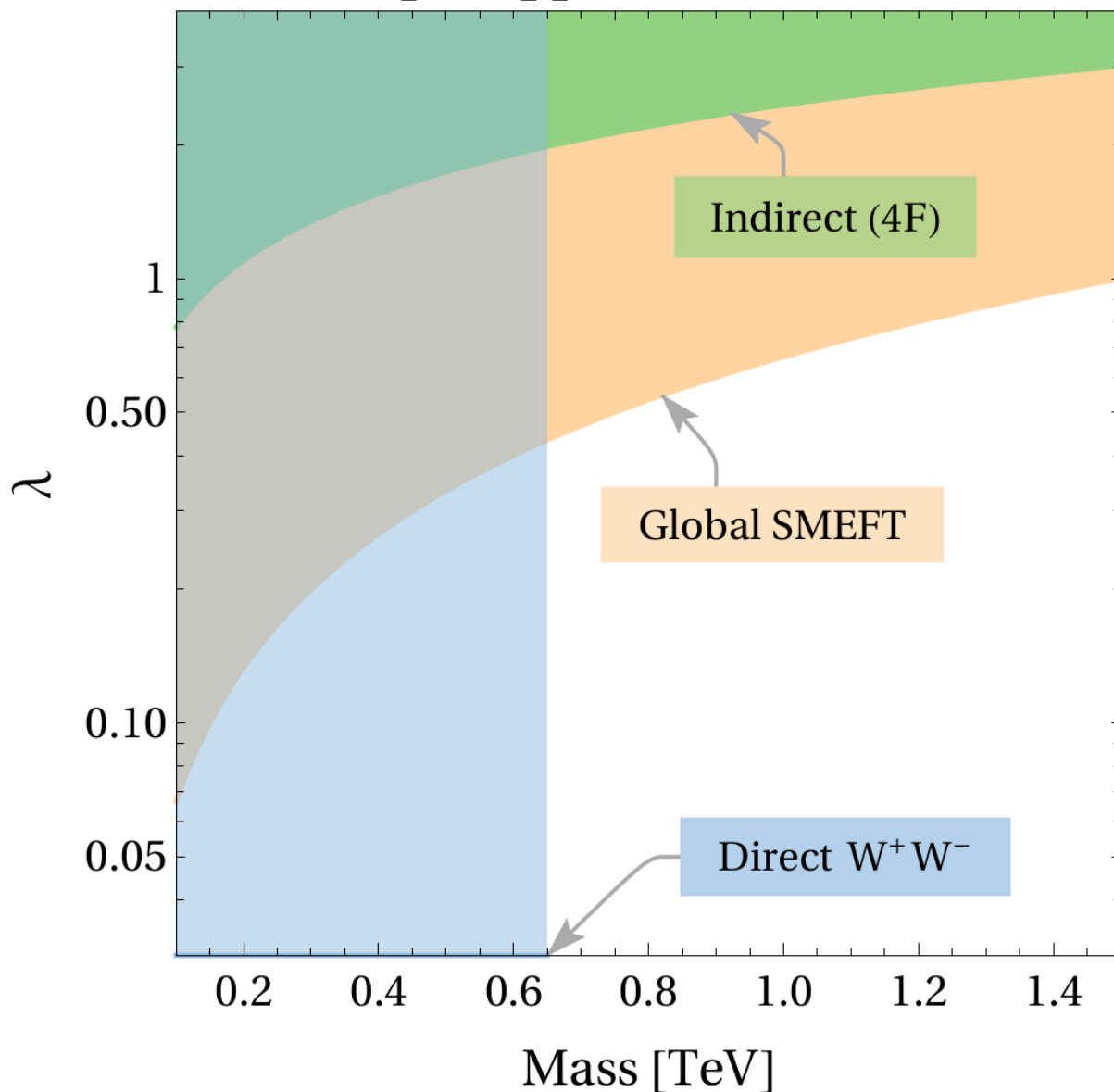
$$\mathcal{O}_{Hx} \text{ and } \mathcal{O}_{xH}$$

stringent constraints from  $\mathcal{O}_{Hx}$

$\Leftarrow \mathcal{O}_{xH}$  SM Yukawa suppressed

# Summary: 1-loop exits

## Loop-suppressed 4F models



⇐ Low energy 4F Ops:  
 $m_{EU} \geq 0.17|\lambda_{EU}|^2 \text{ TeV}$

⇐ Global SM fit ( $\mathcal{O}_{Hx}^{\text{Tree}}$ ):  
 $m_{EU} \geq 1.5|\lambda_{EU}| \text{ TeV}$

LHC direct probes  
more stringent at  
smaller couplings

⇐ Reinterpretation of  
 $WW + 2j$  search ATLAS  
(Note: Not optimal  
search strategy)

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- ⇒ Not included yet: Vectors
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