

# Anomalies in Particle Physics

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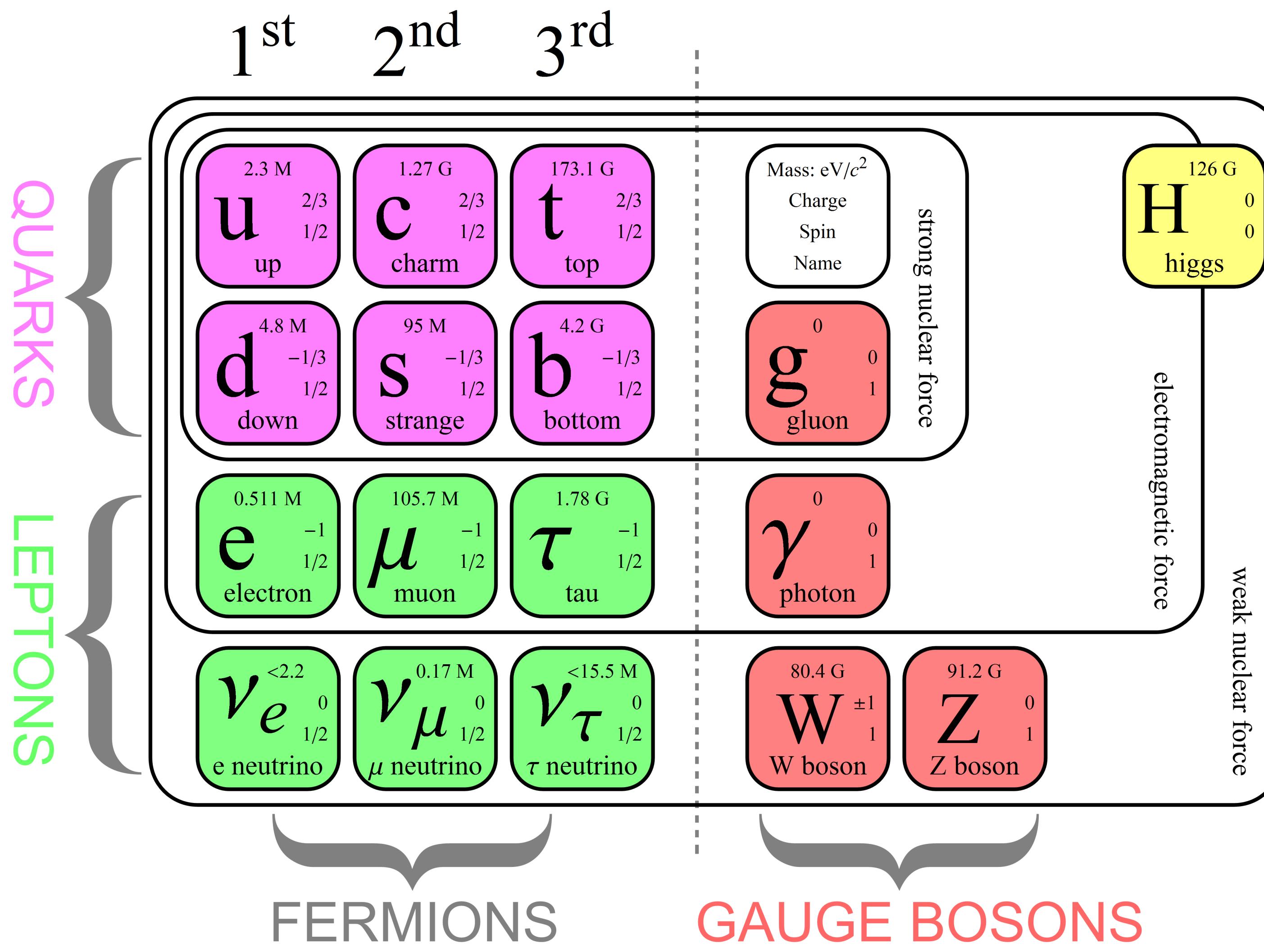
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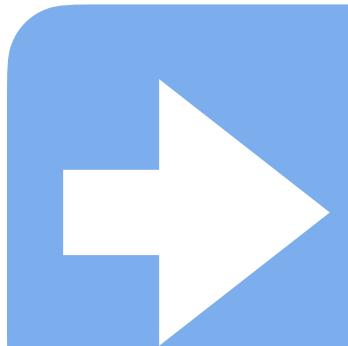
# Introduction

# Standard Model



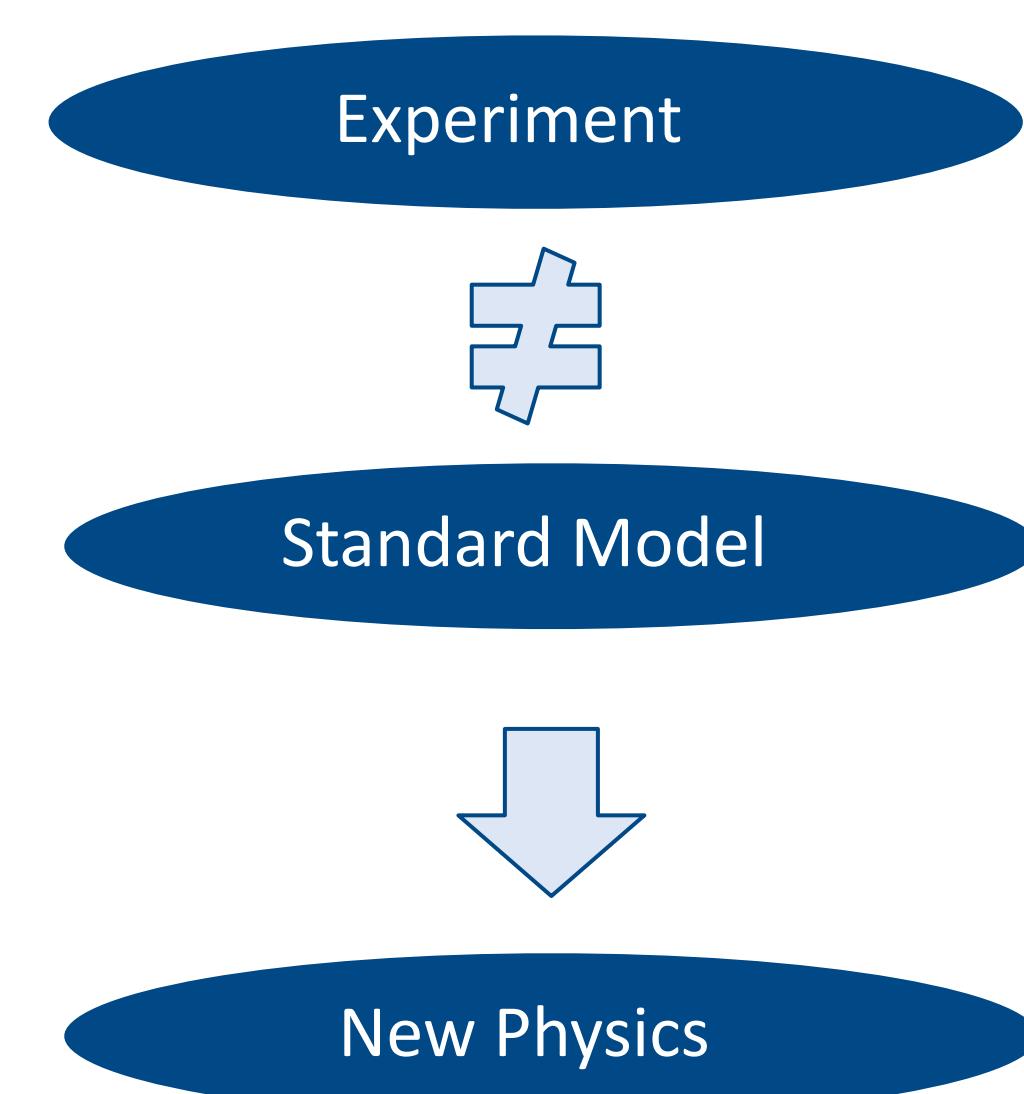
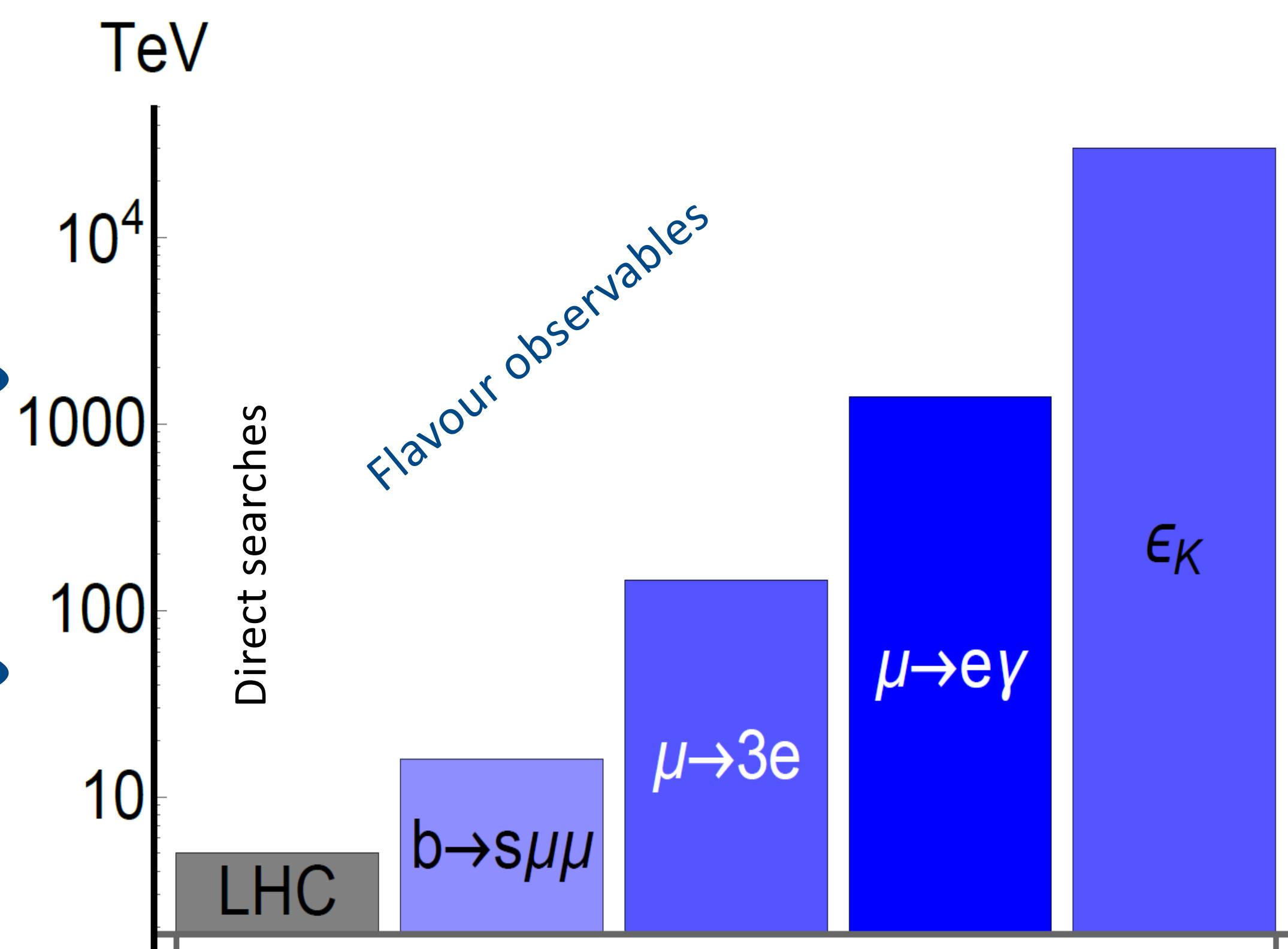
# Physics Beyond the Standard Model

- Dark Matter existence established at cosmological scales
  - New weakly interacting particles
- Neutrinos not exactly massless
  - Right-handed (sterile) neutrinos
- Matter anti-matter asymmetry
  - Additional CP violating interactions



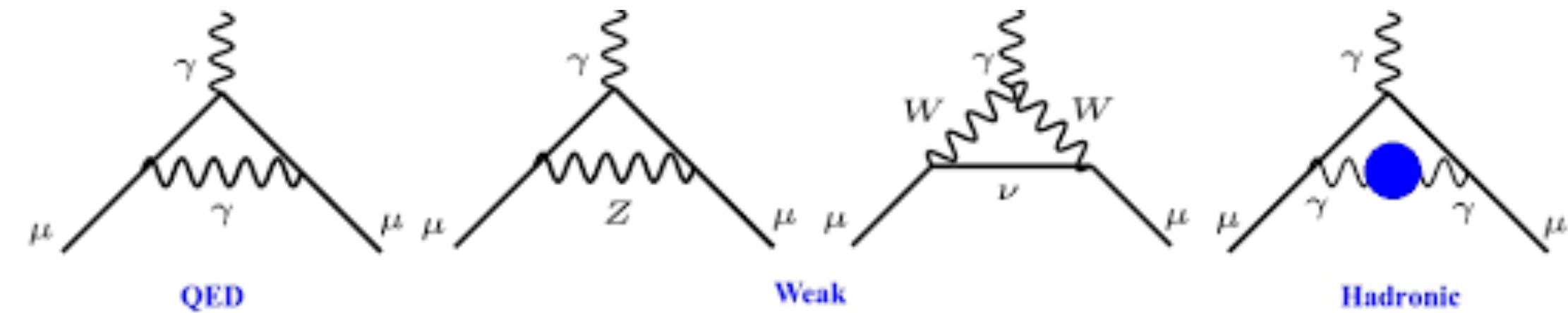
The Standard Model must be extended!  
What is the underlying fundamental theory?

# The search for BSM physics

- Cosmic Frontier
    - Cosmic rays and neutrinos
    - Dark Matter
    - Dark Energy
  - Energy Frontier
    - LHC
    - Future colliders
  - Intensity Frontier
    - Flavour
    - Neutrino-less double- $\beta$  decay
    - Test of fundamental symmetries
    - Proton decay
- Perform high-statistics measurements to search for the quantum effects of new particles
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# Anomalies

# Anomalous magnetic moment of the muon



5.0 $\sigma$  deviation from the SM prediction

- Theory prediction challenging (hadronic effects)
- $\Delta a_\mu = (251 \pm 49) \times 10^{-11}$
- Need NP of the order of the SM EW contribution
- Chiral enhancement necessary for heavy NP
- New results from Fermilab [2308.06230]:  $116\,592\,057(25) \times 10^{-11}$  (0.21 ppm)
- New world average:  $116592059(22) \times 10^{-11}$  (0.19 ppm)

# Cabibbo Angle Anomaly (CAA)

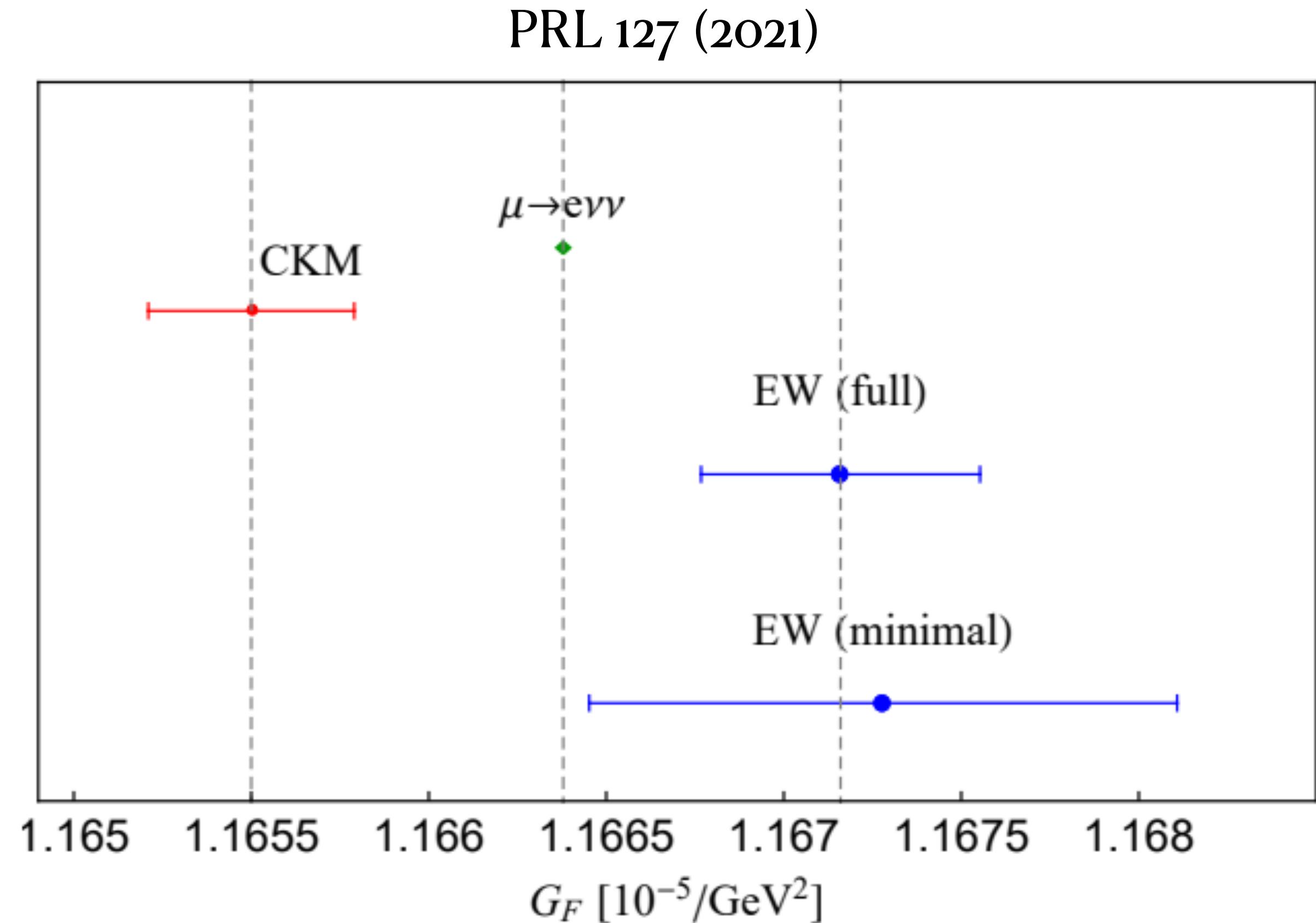
- Deficit in first row and first column CKM unitarity.

[PDG]

$$|V_{ud}^2| + |V_{us}^2| + |V_{ub}^2| = 0.9985 \pm 0.0005$$

$$|V_{ud}^2| + |V_{cd}^2| + |V_{td}^2| = 0.9970 \pm 0.0018$$

- NP in the determination of  $V_{ud}$  from beta decays needed
- Can be interpreted as
  - NP in beta decays
  - NP in the Fermi constant
  - LFUV (modified  $W\mu\nu$  coupling)

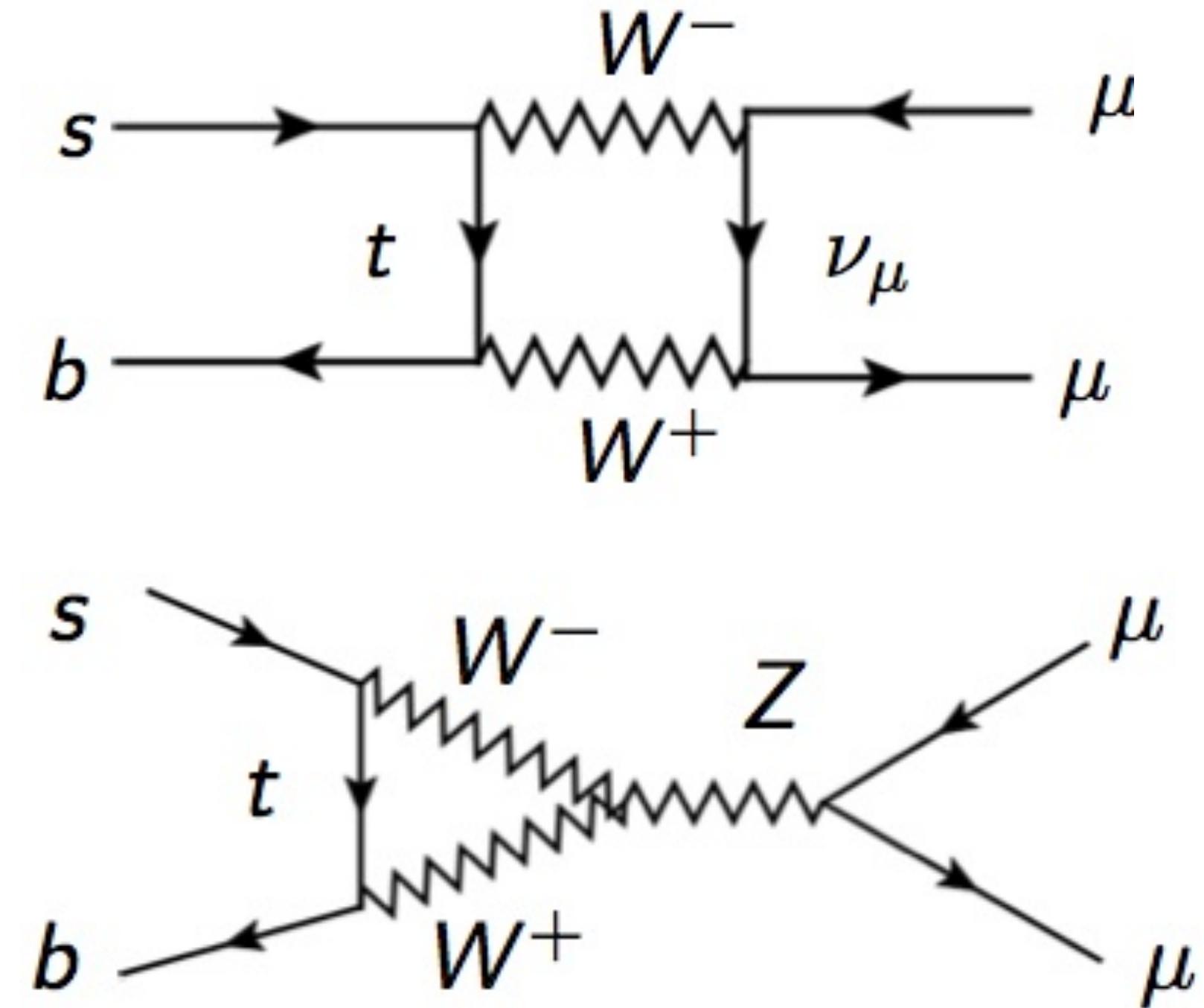


$3\sigma$  tension, can be interpreted as LFUV

# Flavour changing neutral current semi-leptonic B decays

## $b \rightarrow s \mu^+ \mu^-$ Processes

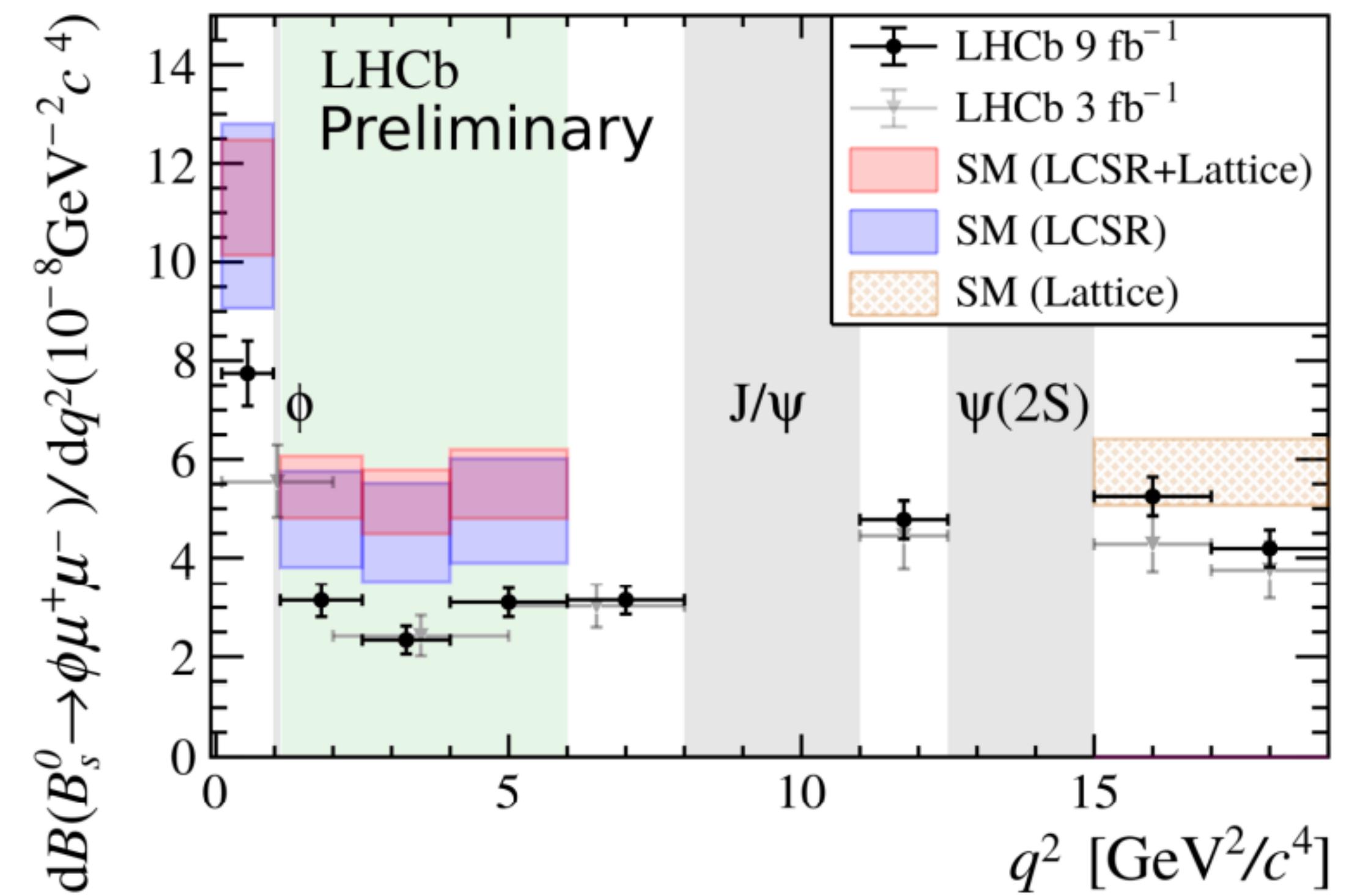
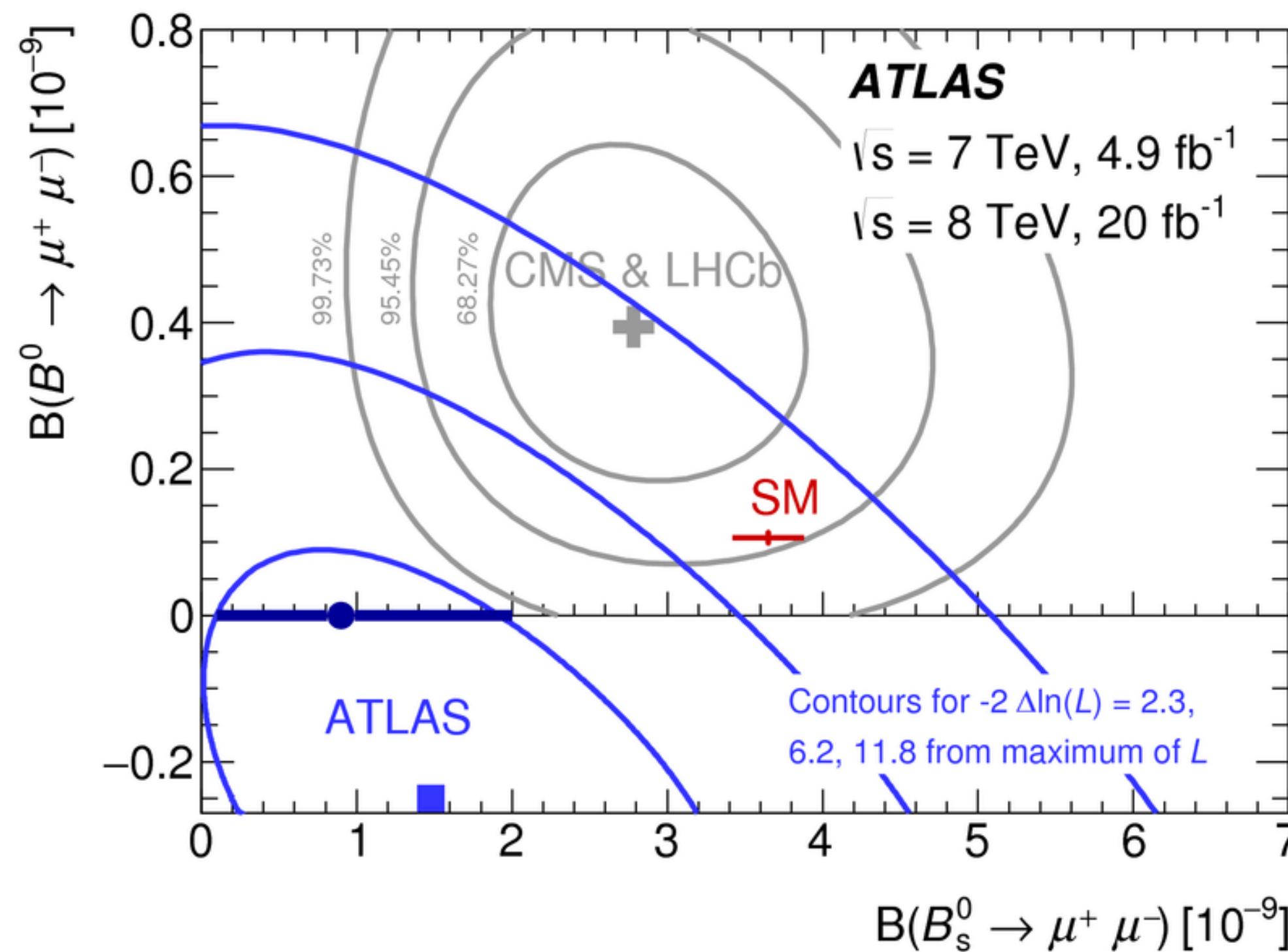
- Flavour Changing Neutral Current (FCNC)
- In the SM suppressed by
  - The CKM elements  $V_{cb} \approx 0.04$
  - Electroweak scale
  - Loop-factor
- Wilson coefficients precisely known [Bobeth et al. PRD, 2013]



Rare processes; very sensitive to NP

# $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $B_s \rightarrow \phi\mu\mu$

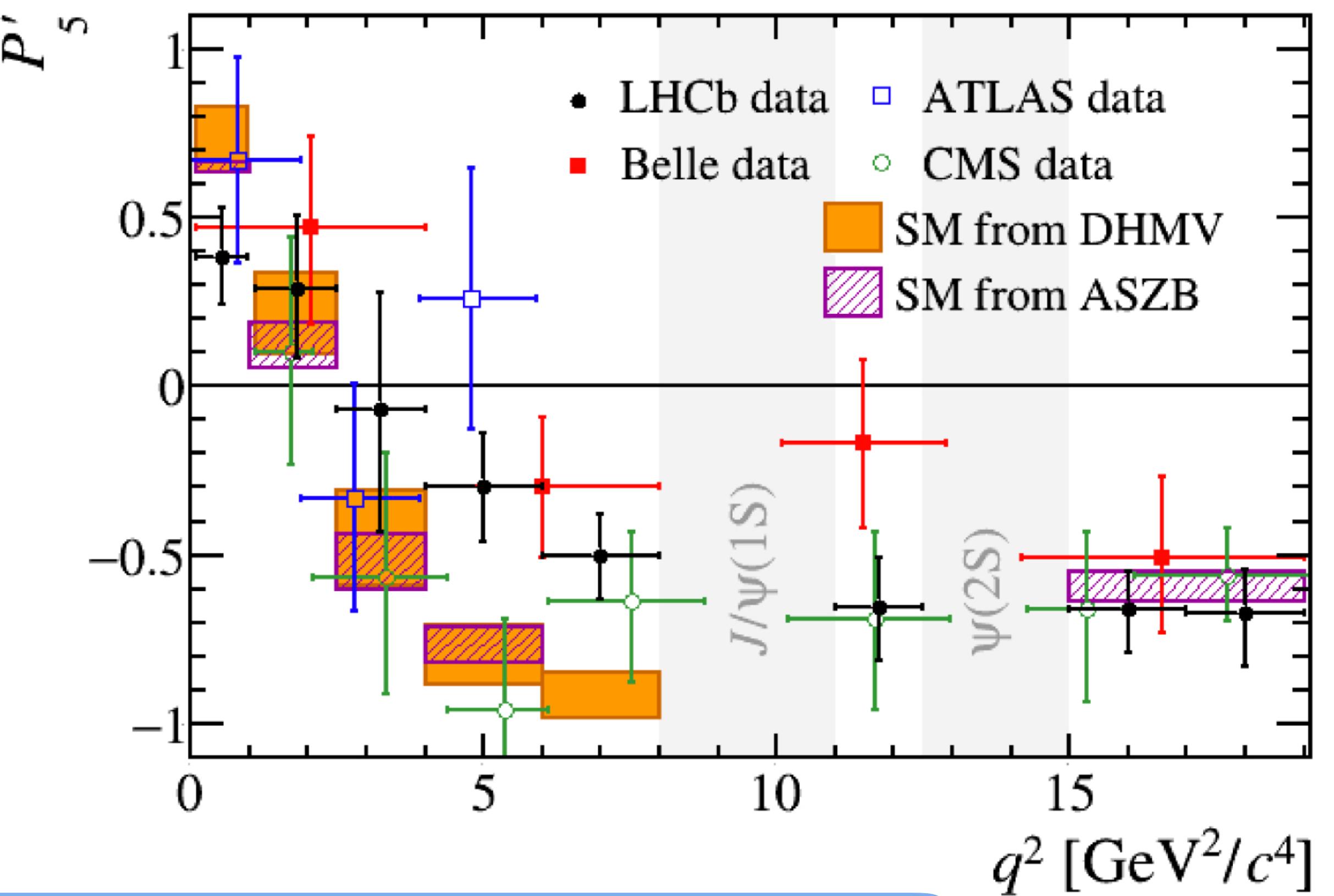
- $B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu$  theoretically clean but chirality suppressed and therefore statistically limited
- $B_s \rightarrow \phi\mu\mu$  has a higher Br, but knowledge of the form-factor needed



Br's  $\approx 20\%$  below SM expectations

# The $P_5'$ Anomaly

- $P_5'$  angular observables in  $B \rightarrow K^* \mu\mu$
- Constructed in such a way that the form factor dependence is minimized
- Confirmed by latest LHCb analysis for the charged mode



>3 $\sigma$  deviation from the SM prediction

$$R(K^*) = B \rightarrow K^* \mu^+ \mu^- / B \rightarrow K^* e^+ e^-$$

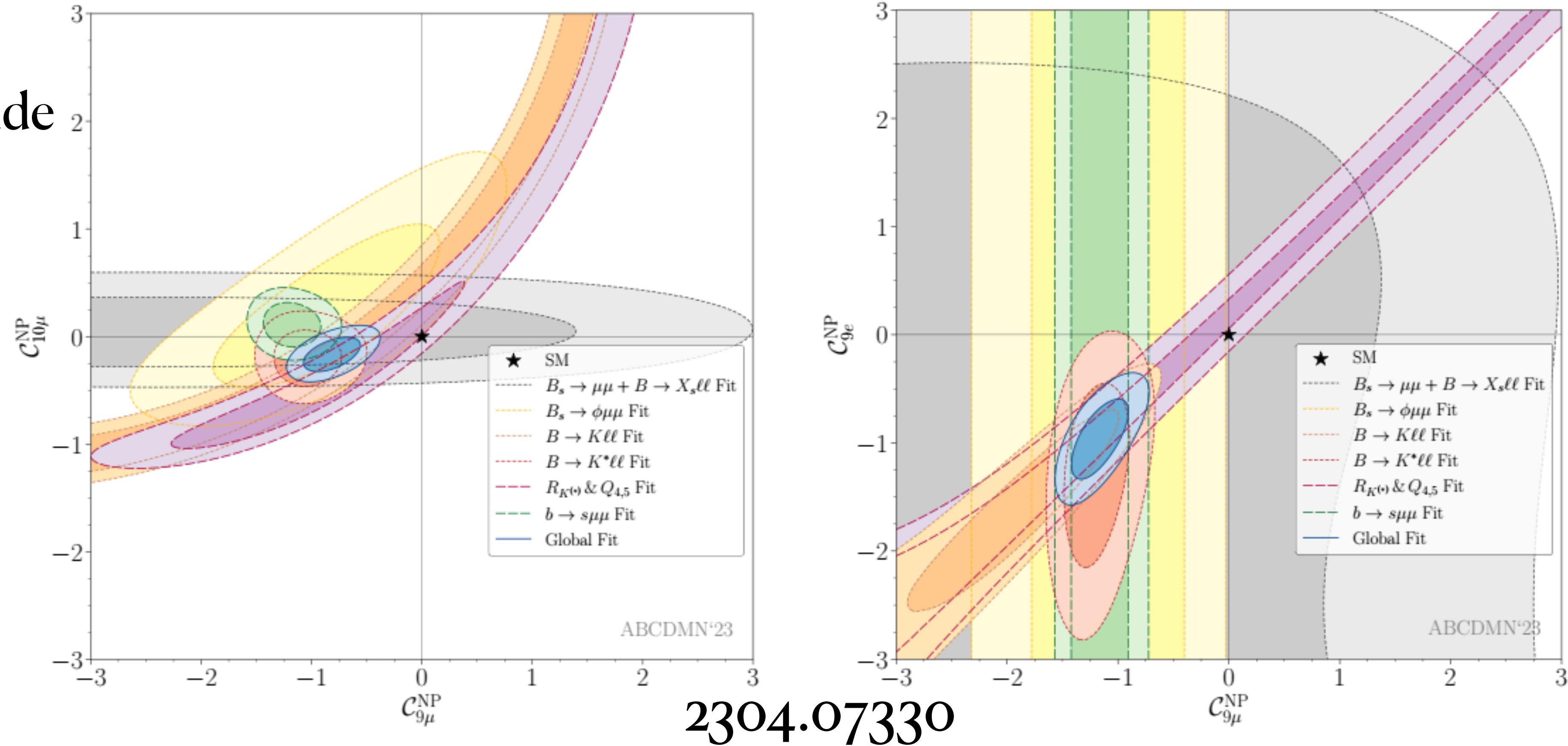
$$R(K) = B \rightarrow K \mu^+ \mu^- / B \rightarrow K e^+ e^-$$

Theoretically absolutely clean observable (in the SM)

Lepton Flavour Violation were not confirmed  
[2212.09152]

# Global Fit to $b \rightarrow s\mu^+\mu^-$ Data

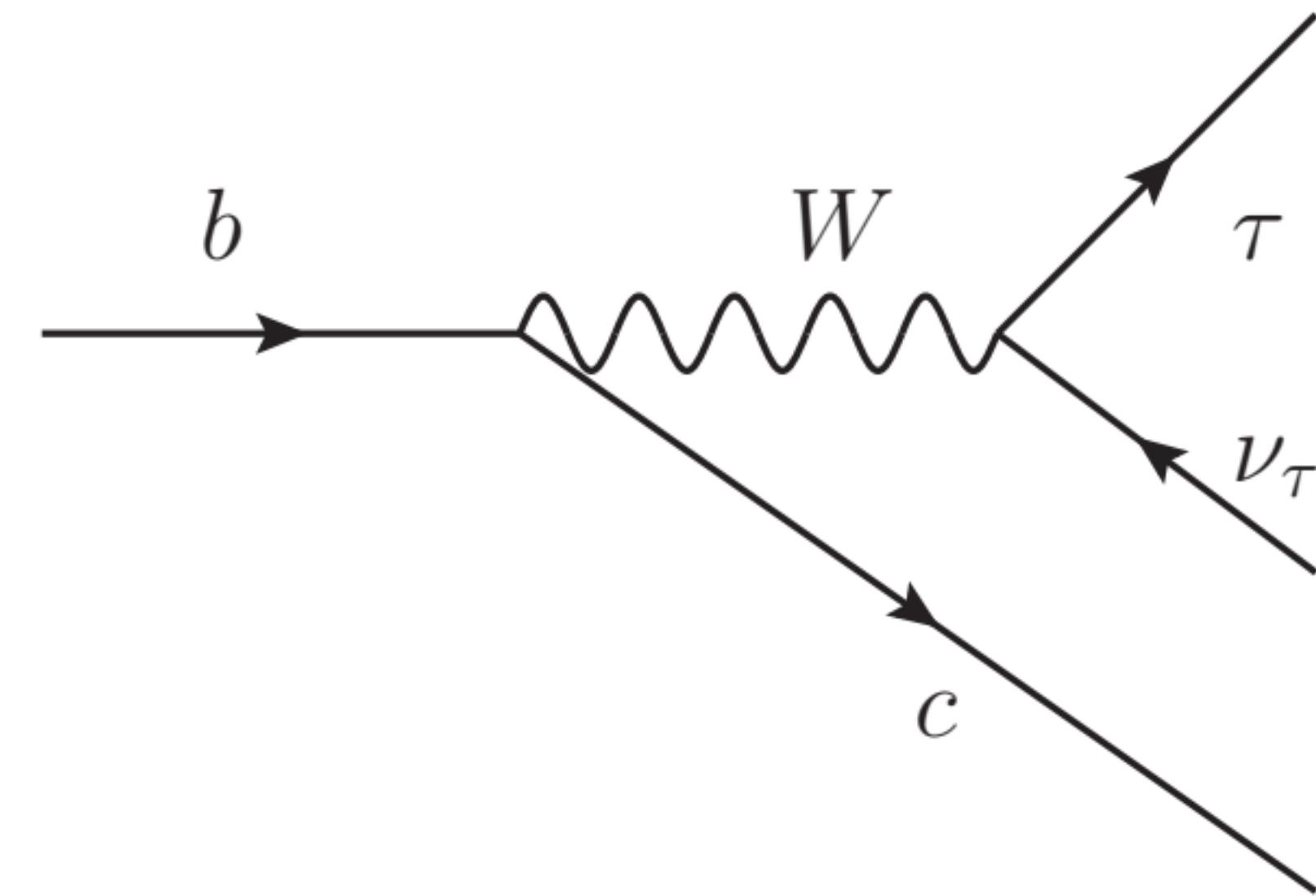
- Perform global model independent fit to include all observables ( $\approx 150$ )
- Several NP hypothesis are significantly preferred over the SM hypothesis
- Study via effective interactions



Fit is  $>5\sigma$  better than the SM

# Charged current tauonic B decays

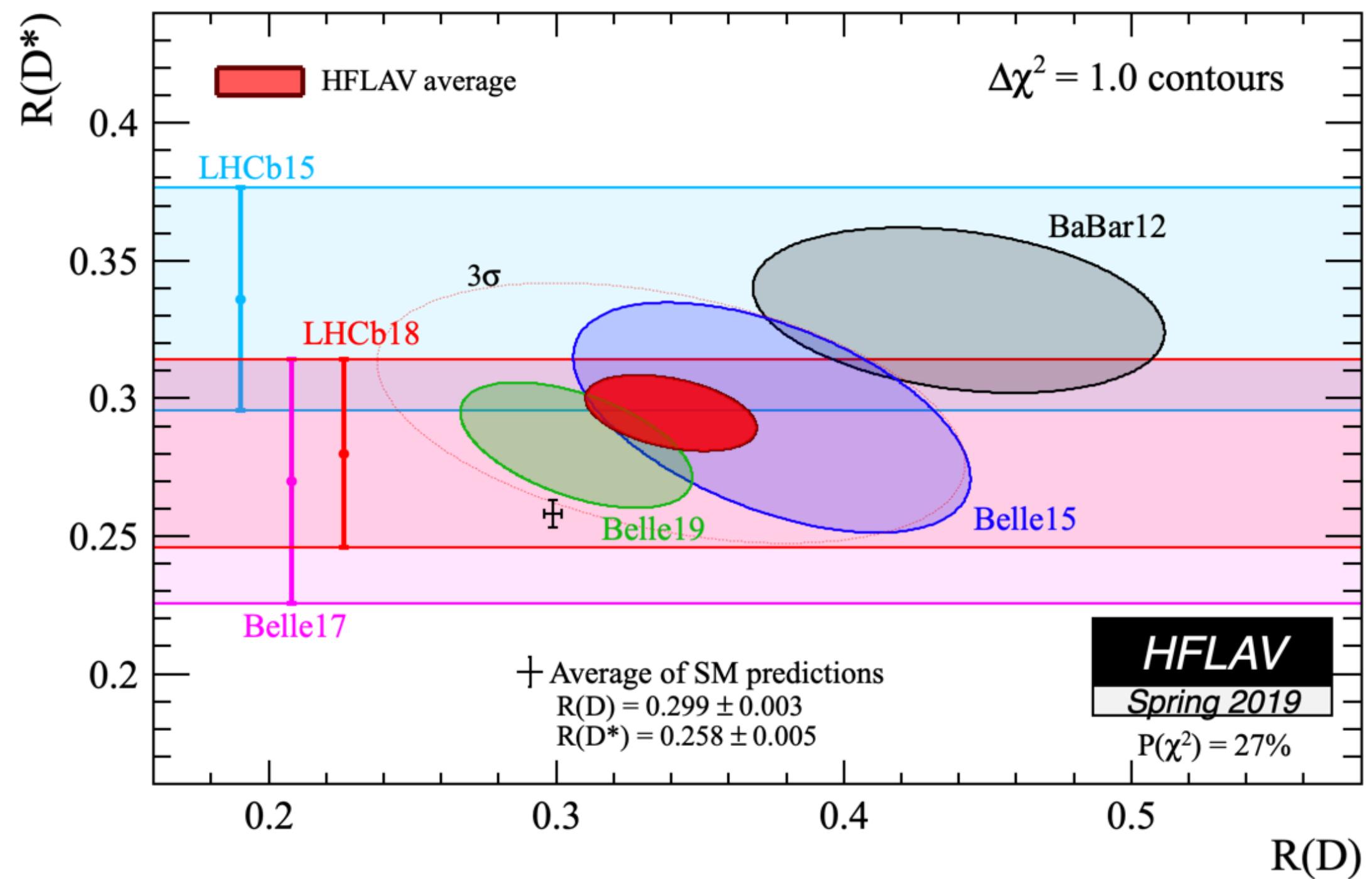
- $B \rightarrow D\tau\nu, B \rightarrow D^*\tau\nu$
- Tree-level decays in the SM
- Form factors needed
- With light leptons ( $\mu, e$ )  
used to determine the CKM elements
- CKM fit works very well, i.e. tree-level in  
agreement with  $\Delta F=2$  processes



Largest B branching ratios, used to determine the  
CKM elements, usually assumed to be free of NP

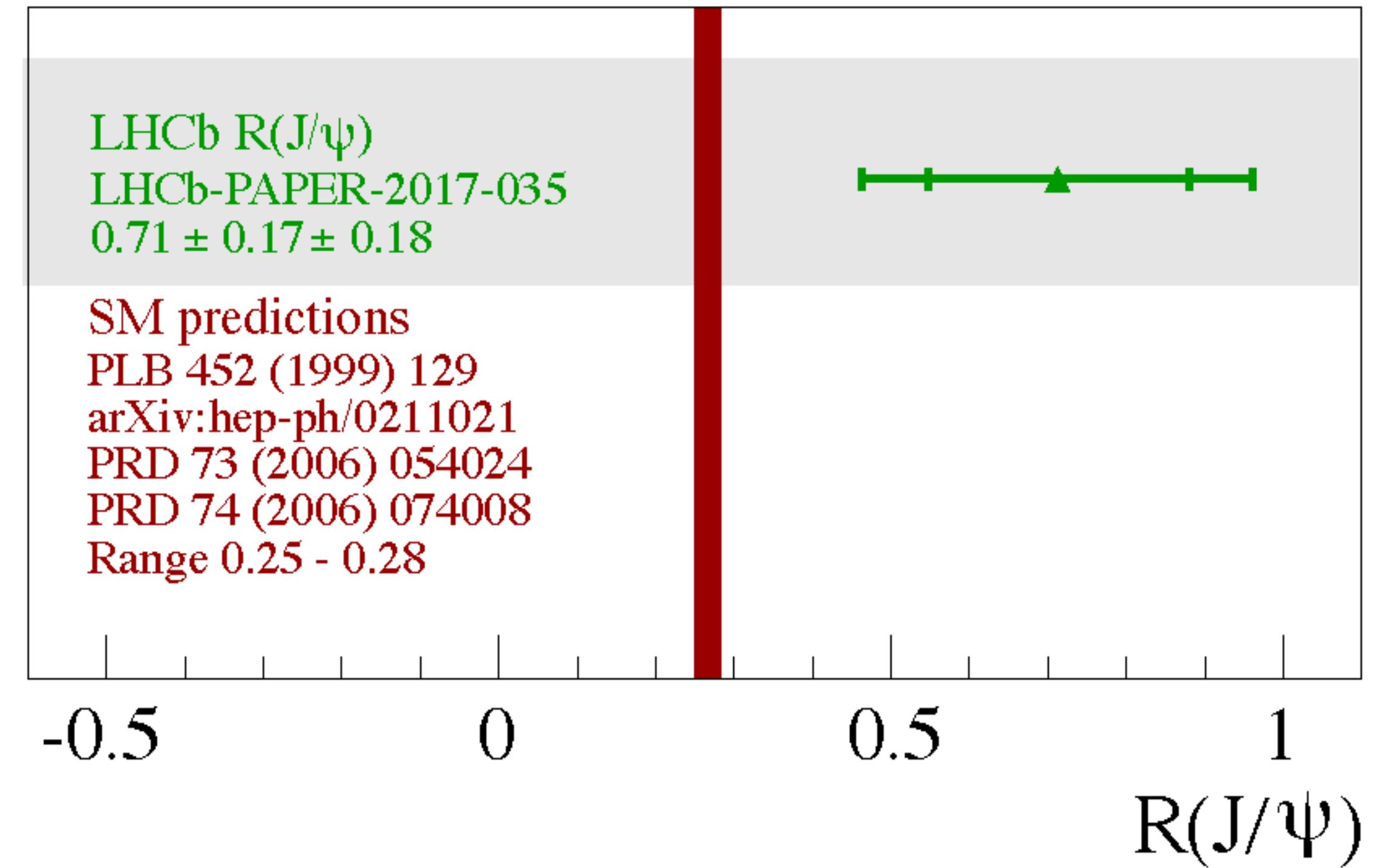
# $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$ Measurements

- $R(D^{(*)}) = B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau\nu / B \rightarrow D^{(*)}l\nu$



All measurements above the SM prediction  
O(20%) constructive effect at  $>3\sigma$

- $R(J/\Psi) = B_c \rightarrow J/\Psi\tau\nu / B_c \rightarrow J/\Psi l\nu$



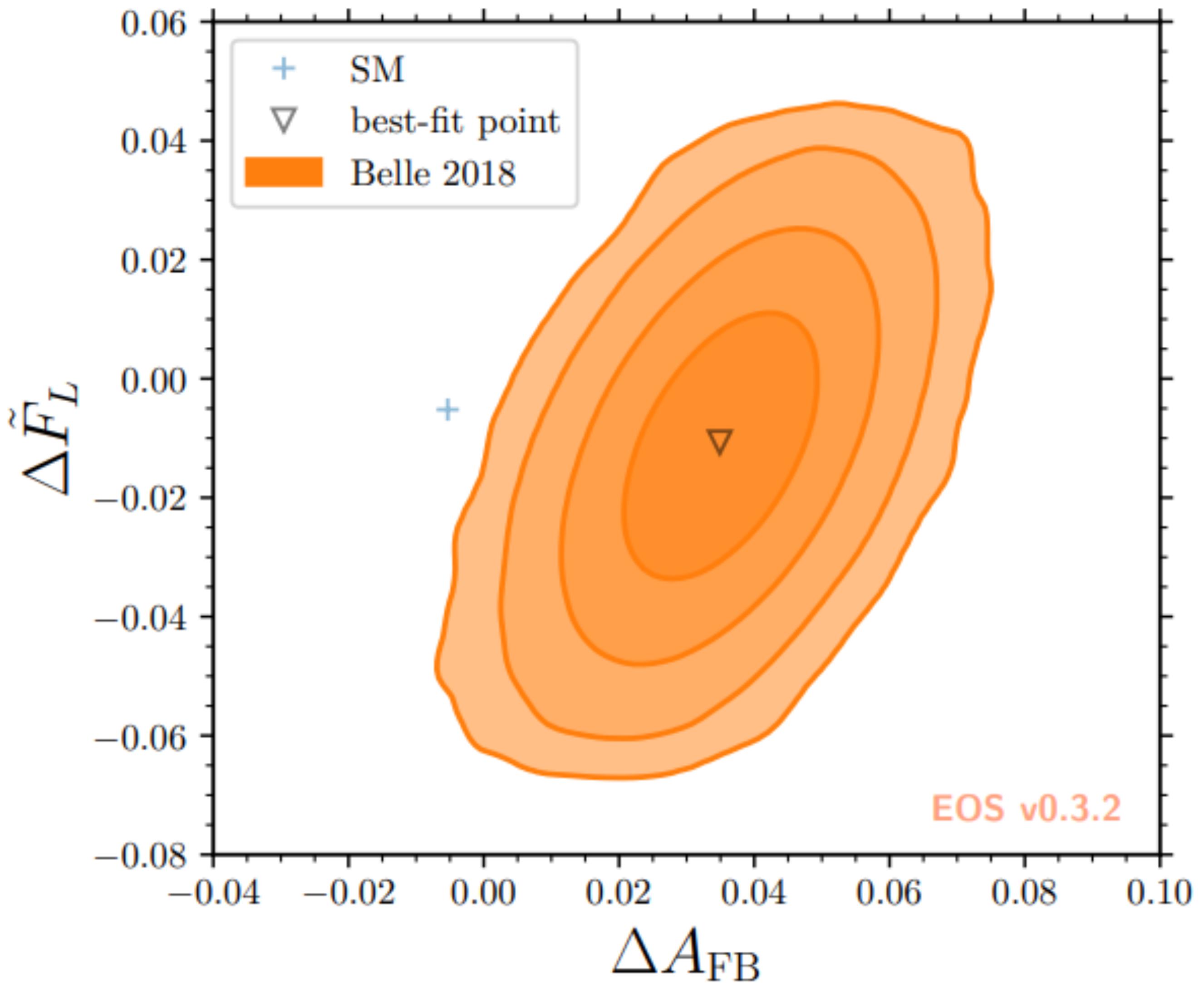
Supports  $R(D)$  &  $R(D^*)$  preferred

# $\Delta A_{FB}$ in $B \rightarrow D^* l \bar{\nu}$

- $4\sigma$  deviation found by 2104.02094 based on BELLE data 1809.03290
- Scalar and/or tensor operators required for an angular asymmetry
- $g-2$  and  $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$  motivate new physics related to muons

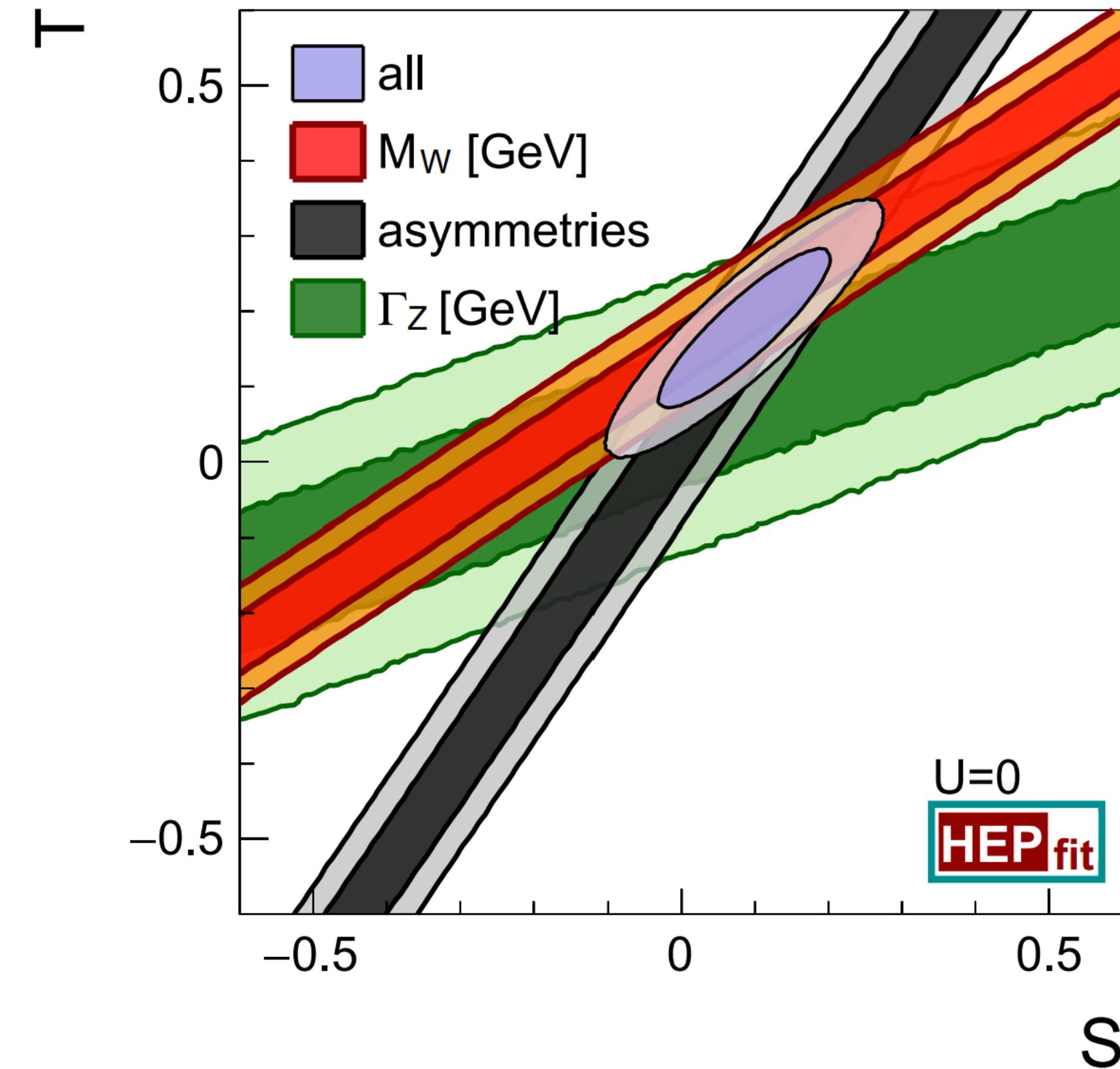
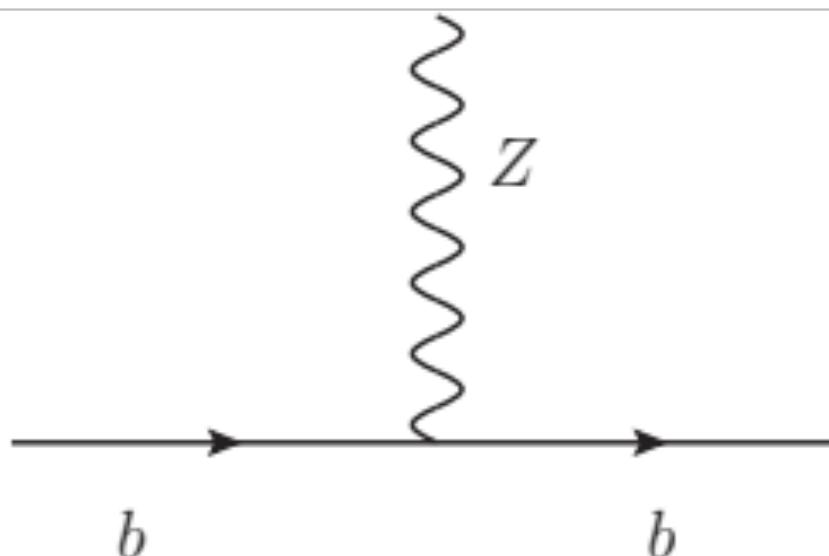
Hint for scalar/tensor NP

$$\Delta A_{FB} = A_{FB}(b \rightarrow c \mu \nu) - A_{FB}(b \rightarrow c e \nu)$$



# W mass and $Z \rightarrow bb$

- $3.7\sigma$  tension in the W mass using a conservative error combination
- $2\sigma$  tension in  $Z \rightarrow bb$  from LEP

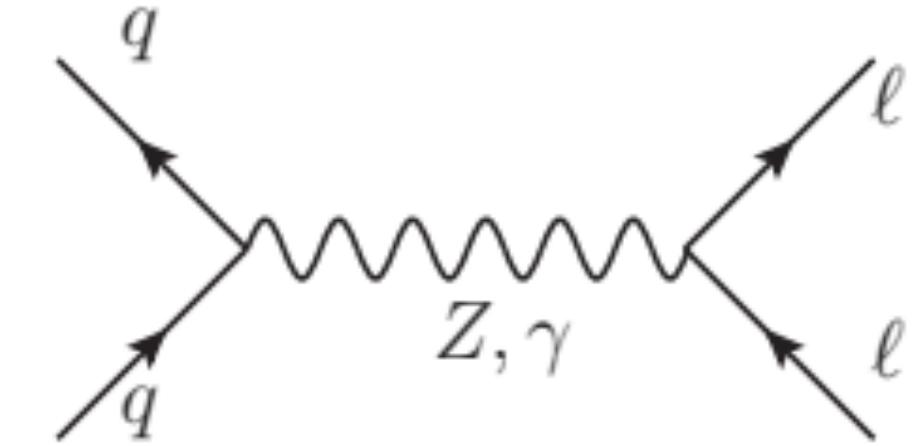


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Related to LFUV?

## Non-resonant di-electrons ( $q\bar{q}^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ )

- CMS and ATLAS observe more electrons than expected in the SM [2103.02708]
- model-independent fit: NP scale of 10 TeV with order one couplings can improve over the SM hypothesis by  $\approx 3\sigma$  [2103.12003]



## Lepton flavour universality violation in tau decays $\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu^-$

- Combining the ratios of branching ratios  $\text{Br}(\tau \rightarrow \mu(e)\nu\nu^-)/\text{Br}(\mu \rightarrow e\nu\nu^-)$  and  $\text{Br}(\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu^-)/\text{Br}(\tau \rightarrow e\nu\nu^-)$  [2206.07501], leads to an  $\approx 2\sigma$  preference for constructive new physics (NP) at the per-mille level in  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu^-$  [2111.05338]

# LHC Multi-Lepton Anomalies ( $e\mu(+b)$ )

Final state	Characteristics	SM backgrounds	Significance
$\ell^+\ell^- + (b\text{-jets})^{62, 65, 66}$	$m_{\ell\ell} < 100 \text{ GeV}, (1b, 2b)$	$t\bar{t}, Wt$	$> 5\sigma$
$\ell^+\ell^- + (\text{no jet})^{61, 67}$	$m_{\ell\ell} < 100 \text{ GeV}$	$W^+W^-$	$\approx 3\sigma$
$\ell^\pm\ell^\pm, 3\ell + (b\text{-jets})^{64, 68, 69}$	Moderate $H_T$	$t\bar{t}W^\pm, t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$	$> 3\sigma$
$\ell^\pm\ell^\pm, 3\ell, (\text{no } b\text{-jet})^{63, 70, 71}$	In association with $h$	$W^\pm h(125), WWW$	$\gtrsim 4\sigma$
$Z(\rightarrow \ell\ell)\ell, (\text{no } b\text{-jet})^{62, 72}$	$p_T^Z < 100 \text{ GeV}$	$ZW^\pm$	$> 3\sigma$

## Higgs-like signals

- 95 GeV: di-taus,  $ZH(H \rightarrow bb\bar{b})$ , WW:  $3.8\sigma$
- 152 GeV [2104.13240]:  $\gamma\gamma + \text{missing energy}$ , WW+missing energy:  $4.9\sigma$
- 680 GeV [2102.13405]

## (di-)di-jet resonances ( $\text{jj}(-\text{jj})$ ))

- CMS [2206.09997] finds hints for the (non-resonant) pair production of di-jet resonances with a mass of  $\approx 950 \text{ GeV}$  with a local (global) significance of  $3.6\sigma$  ( $2.5\sigma$ ) ( $\text{pp} \rightarrow Y(*) \rightarrow XX \rightarrow (\text{jj})(\text{jj})$ )
- [2208.12254] global  $3.2\sigma$  significance at  $m_Y \approx 3.6 \text{ TeV}$
- ATLAS [2307.14944] finds a di-di-jet excesses at  $\approx 3.3 \text{ TeV}$  with a di-jet mass of  $850 \text{ GeV}$

# Hints for NP

- LFV:
  - ▶ CAA
  - ▶  $(g-2)$
  - ▶  $b \rightarrow s\mu^+\mu^-$
  - ▶  $b \rightarrow c\tau\nu$
  - ▶  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ee$
- EW observables:
  - ▶ W mass
  - ▶  $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Direct searches:
  - ▶  $\gamma\gamma$
  - ▶  $\tau\tau$
  - ▶ 4b
  - ▶  $b\bar{b}\tau\tau$

# **New Physics Explanations of the Anomalies**

# The SM extensions

- Leptoquarks (LQs)
- Diquarks (DQs)
- $Z'$  bosons
- $W'$  bosons
- Vector-like Quarks (VLQs)
- Vector-like Leptons (VLLs)
- New scalars (S)

# $a_\mu$ explanations

- MSSM [[0102145](#)], [[0102146](#)]

►  $\tan(\beta)$  enhanced slepton loops

- Scalars

► Light scalar with enhanced muon couplings

- $Z'$

► Very light with  $\tau\mu$  couplings ( $m_\tau$  enhancement) [[0104141](#)]

► Heavy (TeV scale): chiral enhancement factor [[2104.03691](#)]

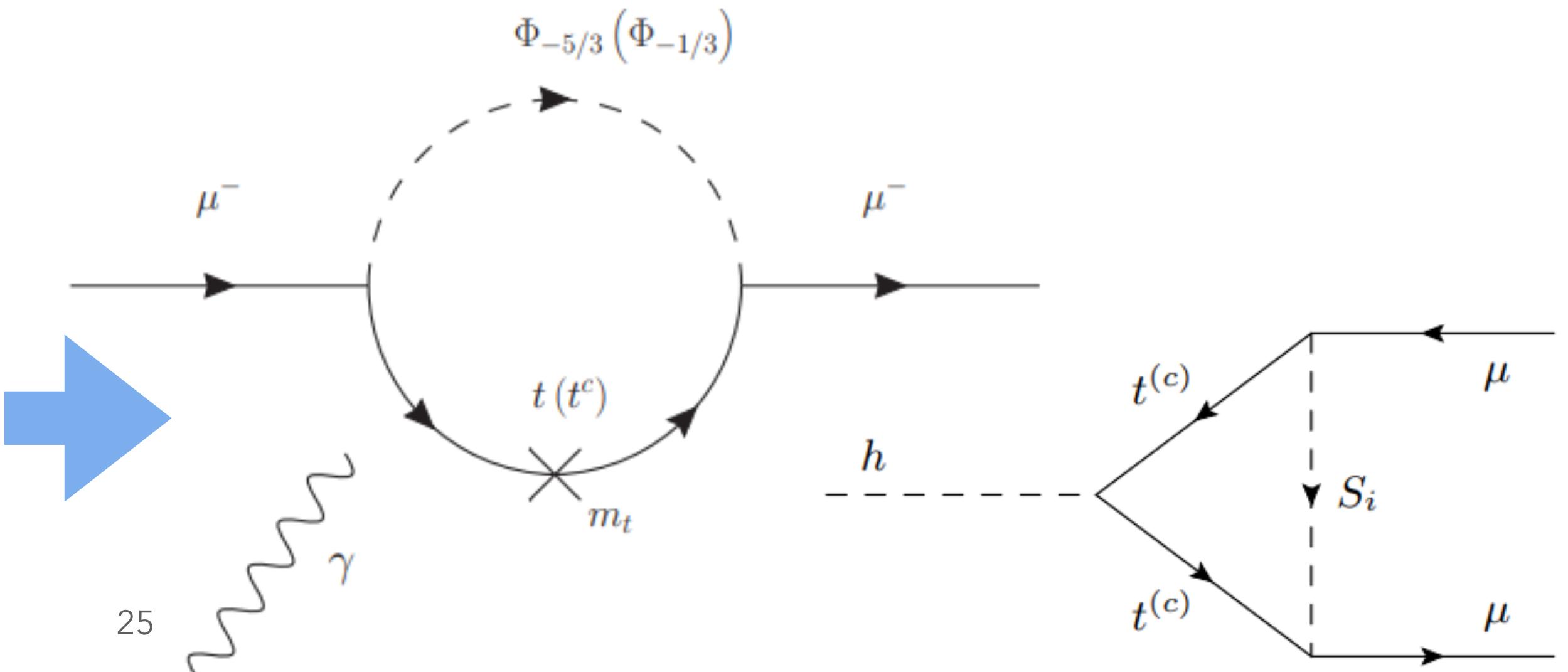
- New scalars and fermions [[1807.11484](#)]

►  $\alpha/Y_\mu$

- Leptoquarks [[1511.01900](#)]

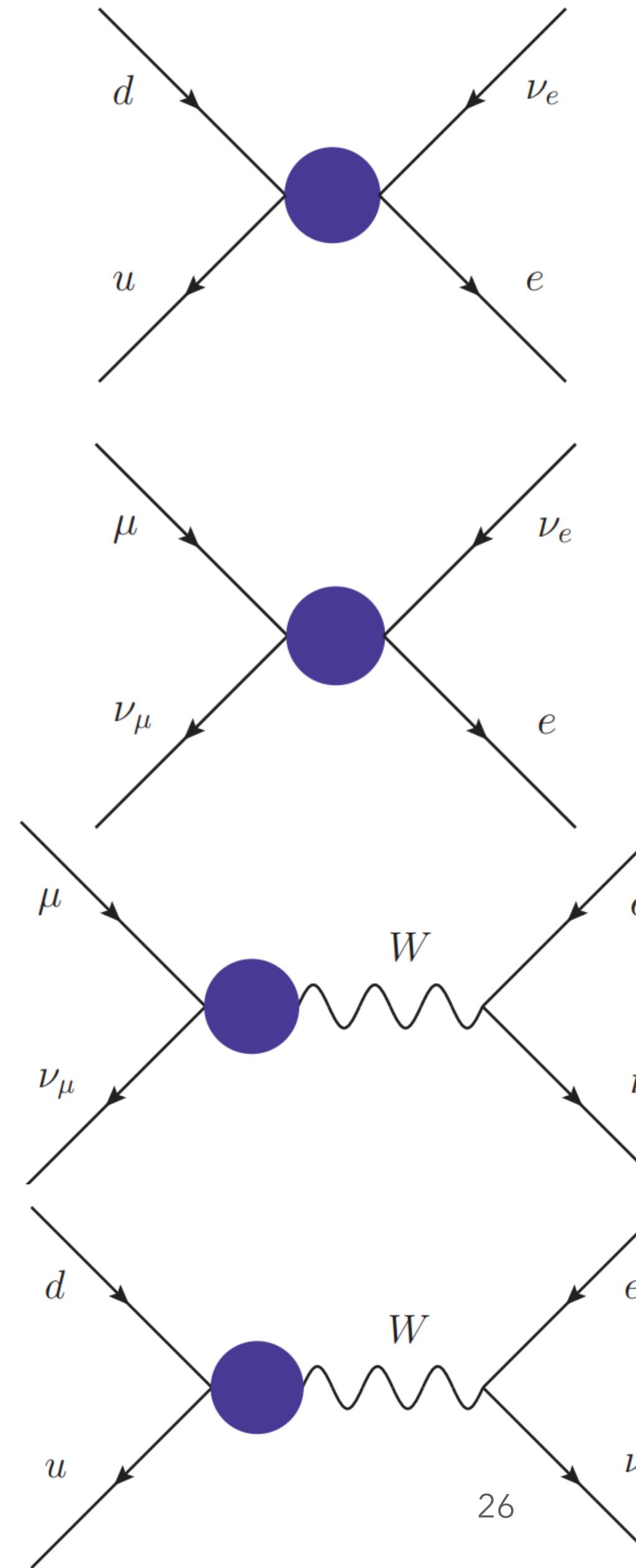
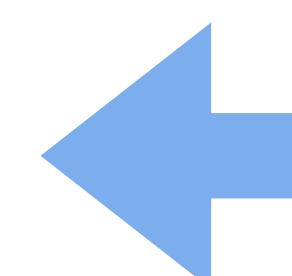
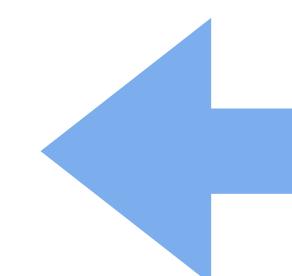
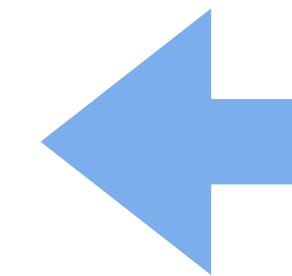
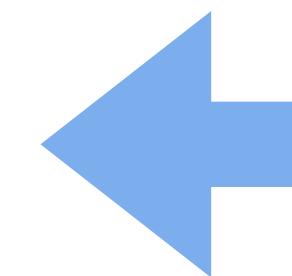
►  $m_t/m_u$  enhanced effects in  $h \rightarrow \mu\mu$

►  $m_t^2/m_Z^2$  enhanced effects in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$



# Cabibbo Angle Anomaly [2102.02825 ]

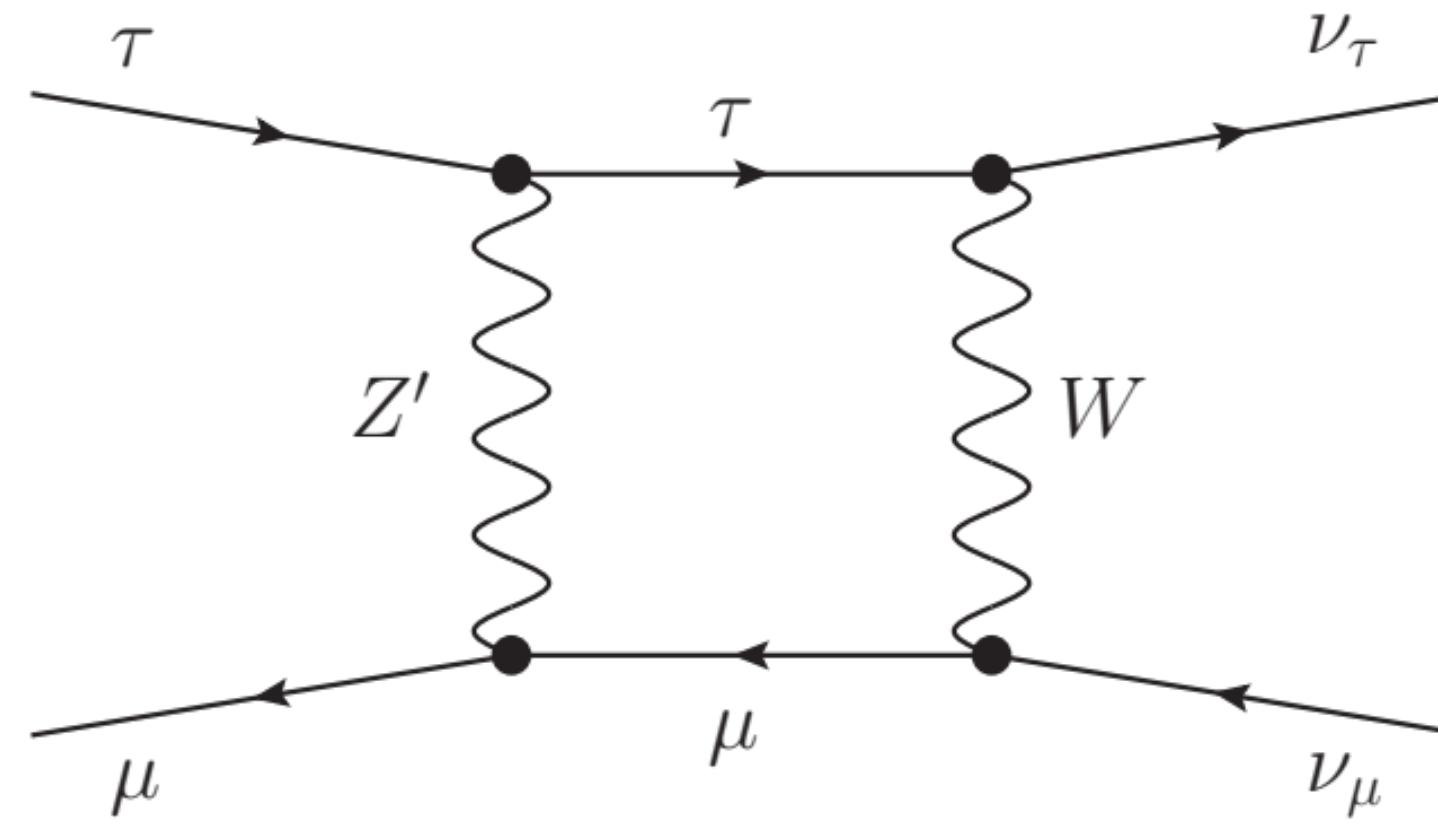
- LQs [ [2104.06417](#) ]
- W' [ [2005.13542](#) ]
- W' [ [2005.13542](#) ]
- Z' [ [2104.07680](#) ]
- Singly charged scalar  
[ [2012.09845](#) ]
- Vector-like leptons  
[ [1912.08823](#) ]
- Vector-like quarks  
[ [1906.02714](#) ]



- a direct (tree-level) modification of beta decays
- a direct (tree-level) modification of muon decay
- a modified  $W$ - $\mu$ - $\nu$  coupling entering muon decay
- a modified  $W$ - $u$ - $d$  coupling entering beta decays

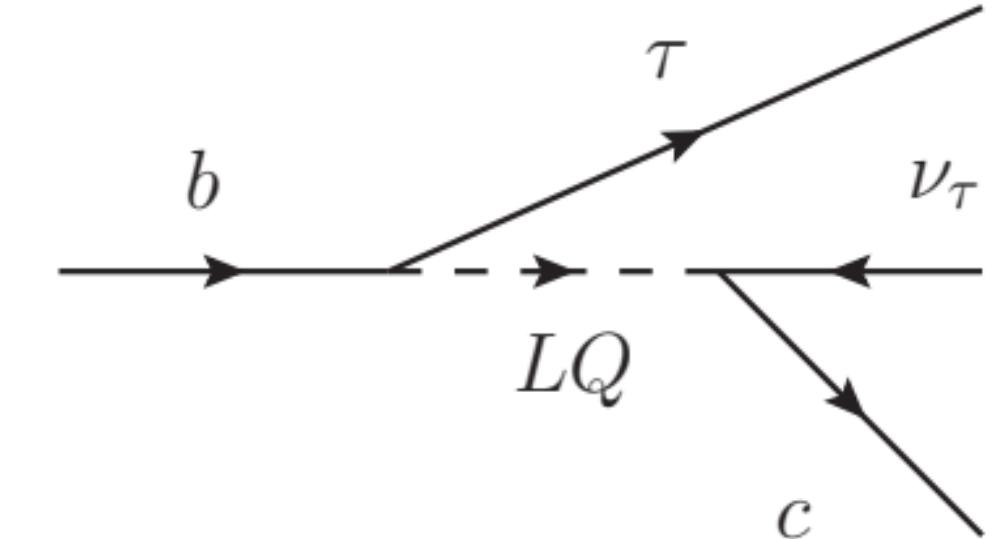
# Lepton flavour universality violation in tau decays ( $\tau \rightarrow \mu \nu \bar{\nu}$ ) [\[1403.1269\]](#)

- Modified Fermi constant
- $Z'$  boson coupling to muons and tau leptons



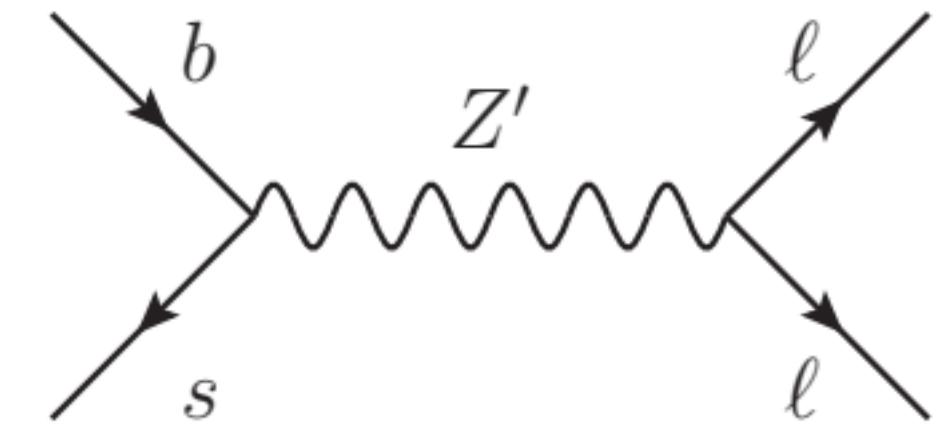
# Charged current tauonic B decays ( $b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$ ) [\[1403.1269\]](#)

- charged Higgses [\[1206.2634\]](#): Problems with distributions and  $B_c$  lifetime
  - $W'$  bosons [\[1412.7164\]](#): Strong constraints from direct LHC searches
  - LQs [\[1309.0301\]](#), [\[1506.08896\]](#), [\[1511.06024\]](#): Strong signals in  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow \tau\tau$  searches
- CMS, [1809.05558](#); ATLAS, [1902.08103](#)



# $b \rightarrow s \mu^+ \mu^-$ explanations

- $Z'$  [W. Altmannshofer, S. Gori, M. Pospelov and I. Yavin 1403.1269, ....]
  - ▶ Necessary effects in  $B_s$  mixing
  - ▶ Collider constraints
- Loop contributions [1408.1627, 1503.09024, ...]
  - ▶ Scalars and vector-like fermions [B. Gripaios, M. Nardecchia, S. A. Renner, JHEP 2016]
  - ▶ 2HDM [1903.10440]
  - ▶  $R_2$  Leptoquark [1704.05835]
  - ▶  $Z'$  coupling to tops [1704.06005]
- LQs [2203.10111, 1807.02068]



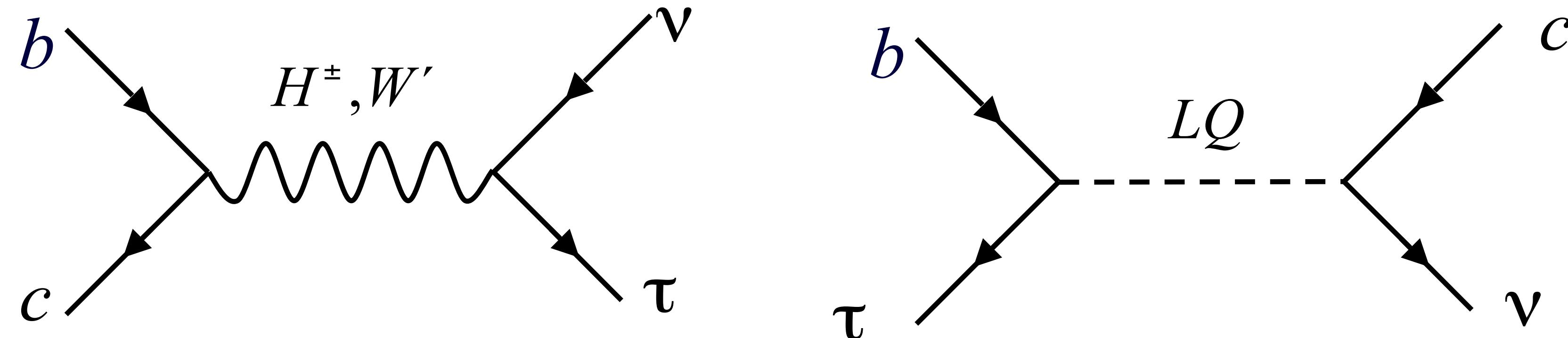
## $\Delta A_{FB}$ explanation

- Right-handed vector operators LFU
- Good fit requires the tensor operator

→ scalar LQ

# R(D) & R(D<sup>\*</sup>)

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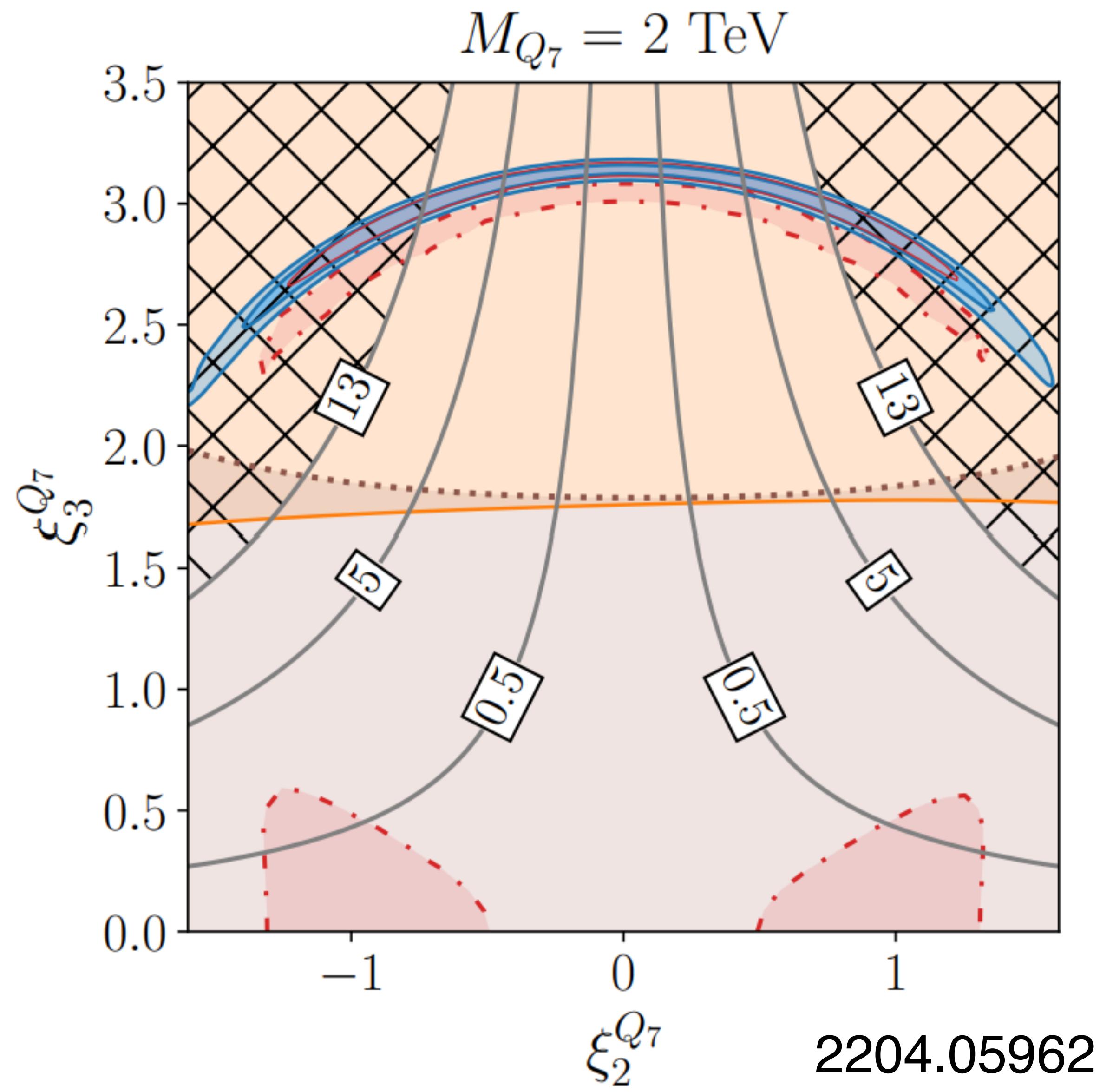
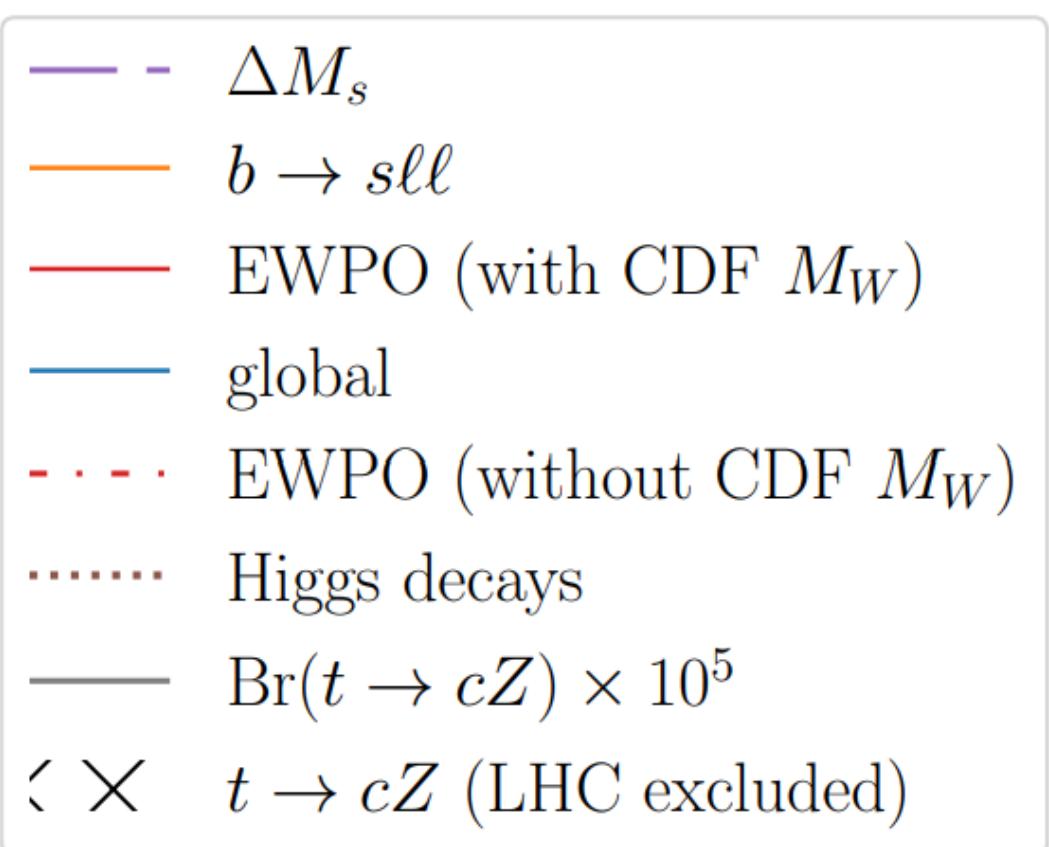


- Charged scalars: Problems with distributions and  $B_c$  lifetime  
A. Celis, M. Jung, X. Q. Li, A. Pich, PLB 2017  
R. Alonso, B. Grinstein, J. Martin Camalich, PRL 2017
- $W'$ : Strong constraints from direct LHC searches  
D. Buttazzo, A. Greljo, G. Isidori, D. Marzocca, JHEP 2017
- Leptoquark: Strong signals in  $qq \rightarrow \tau\tau$  searches  
CMS, 1809.05558; ATLAS, 1902.08103

Explanation difficult but possible with Leptoquarks

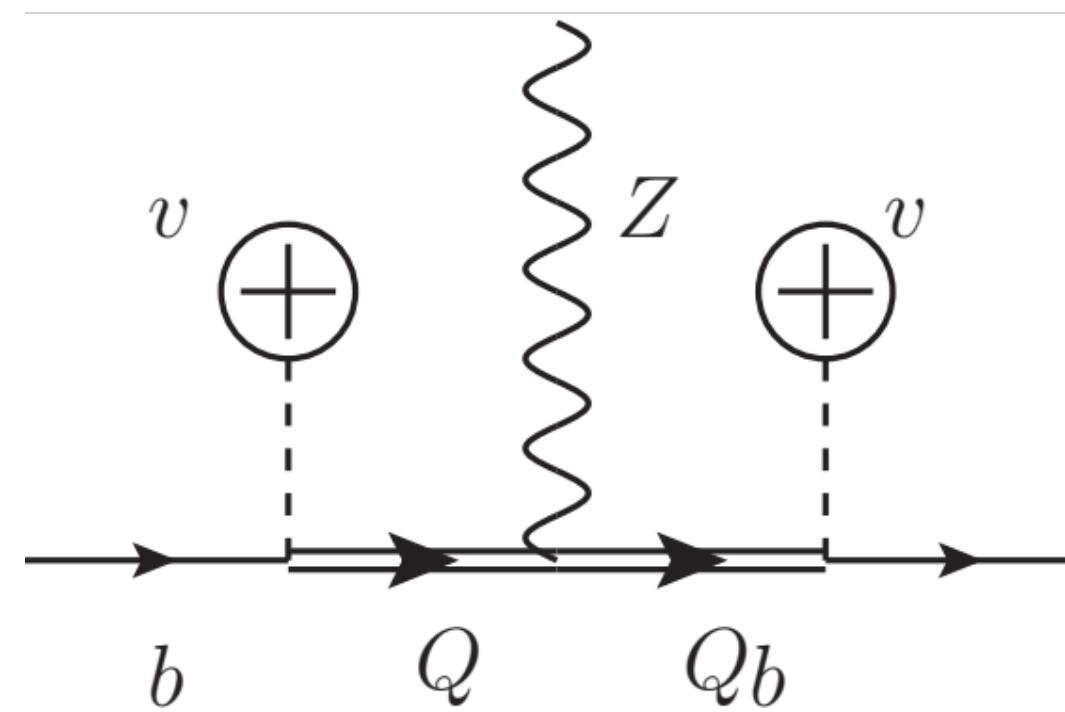
# W boson mass

- Loop effects of fermions or scalars with sizable Higgs couplings
- Z-Z' mixing
- SU(2) triplet scalar
- Leptoquarks



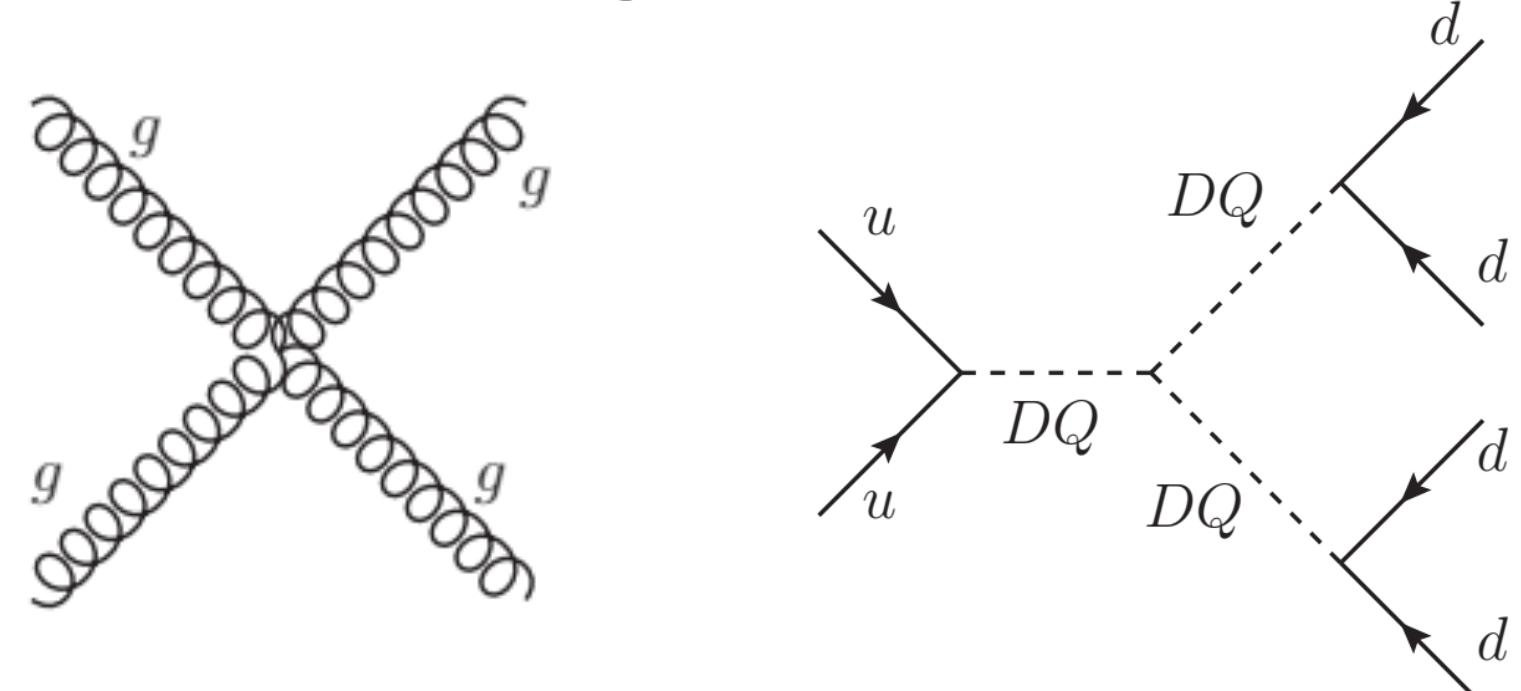
# Asymmetries in Z decays ( $Z \rightarrow bb^-$ )

- Vector-like leptons
- Z-Z' mixing



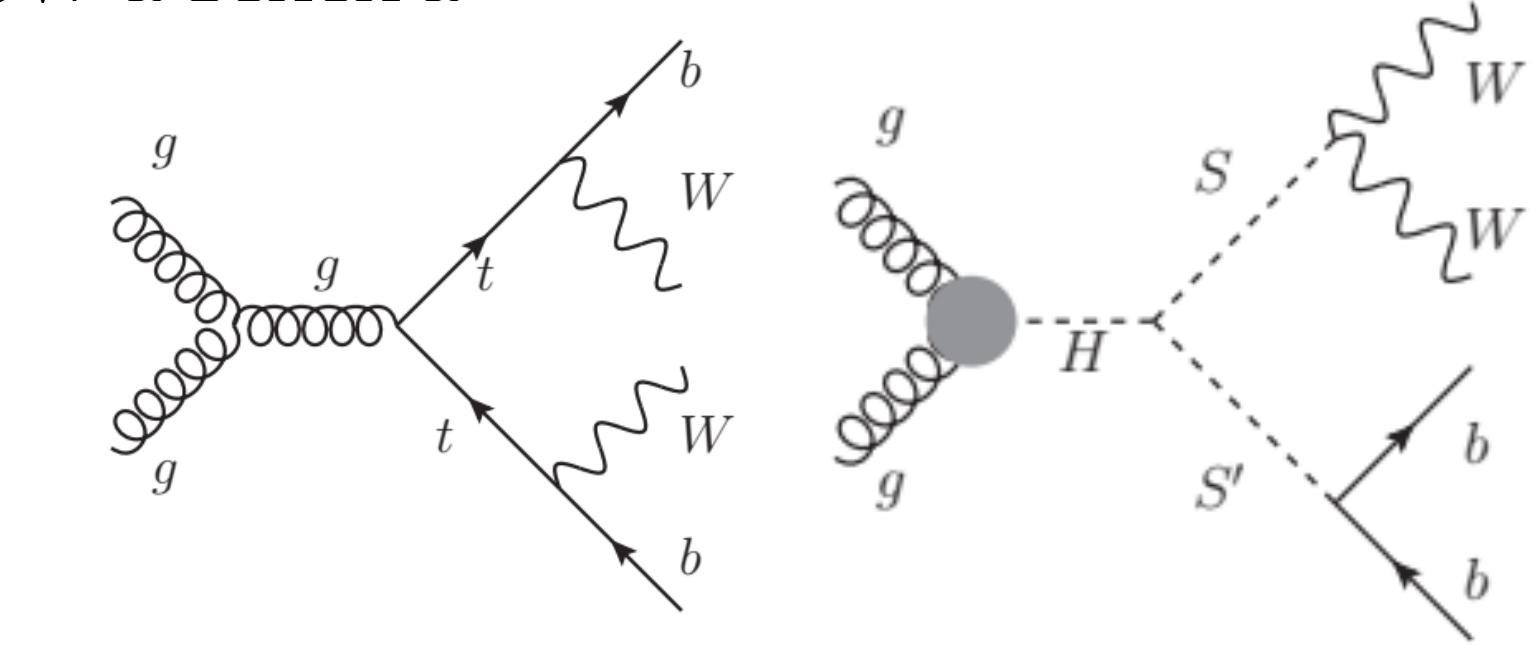
## (di-)di-jet resonances ( $jj(-jj)$ )

- two scalar DQ [[2208.12254](#)]
- new massive gluons



# Multi-lepton anomalies ( $e\mu(+b)$ )

- Production of new scalars  
[[2308.07953](#)]
- Z-Z' mixing

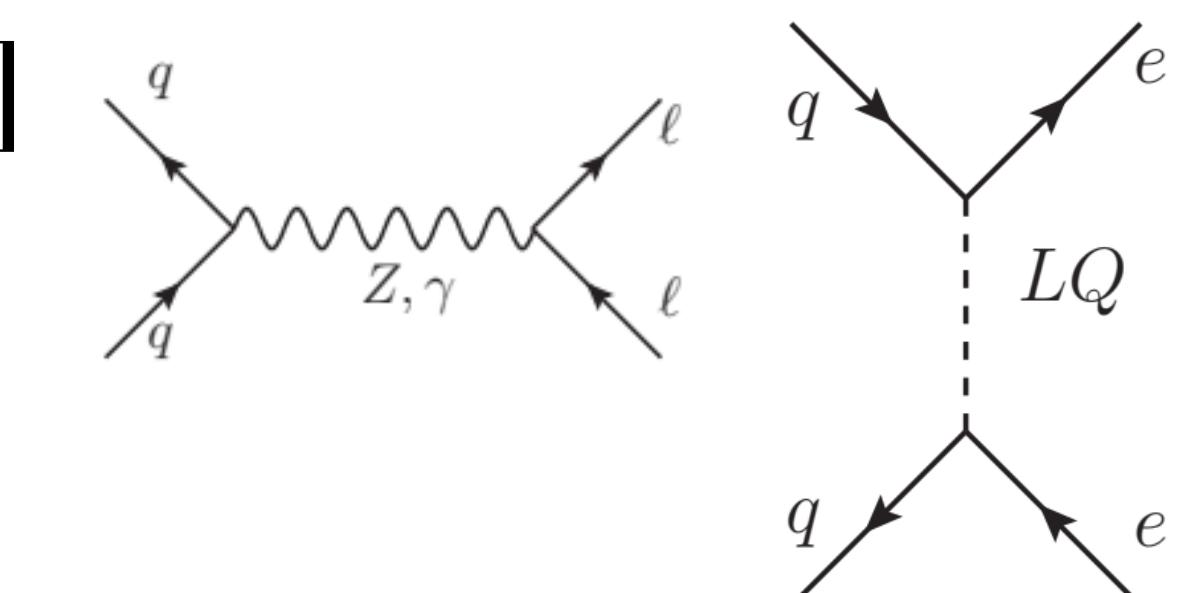


## Higgs-like signals ( $yy = \gamma\gamma, \tau\tau, WW, ZZ$ )

- New scalar [[2303.11351](#)]  
 $650\text{GeV} \rightarrow bb^-(90\text{GeV}) + \gamma\gamma(125\text{GeV})$
- $\text{pp} \rightarrow H \rightarrow (S \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, WW) + (S' \rightarrow \text{invisible})$

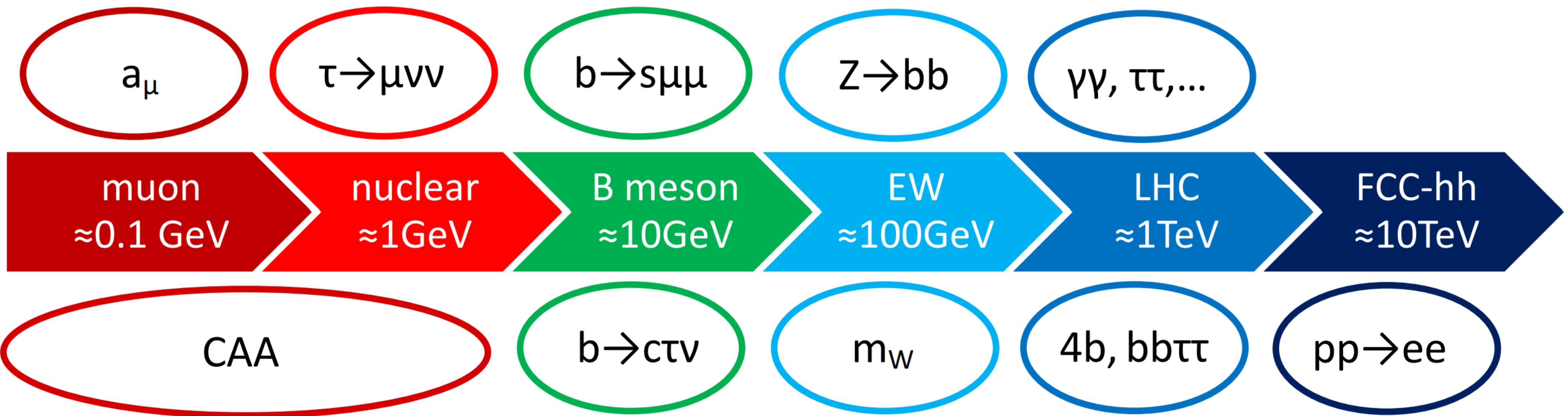
## Non-resonant di-electrons ( $qq^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ )

- Z' bosons [[2107.13569](#)]
- LQs [[2104.06417](#)]

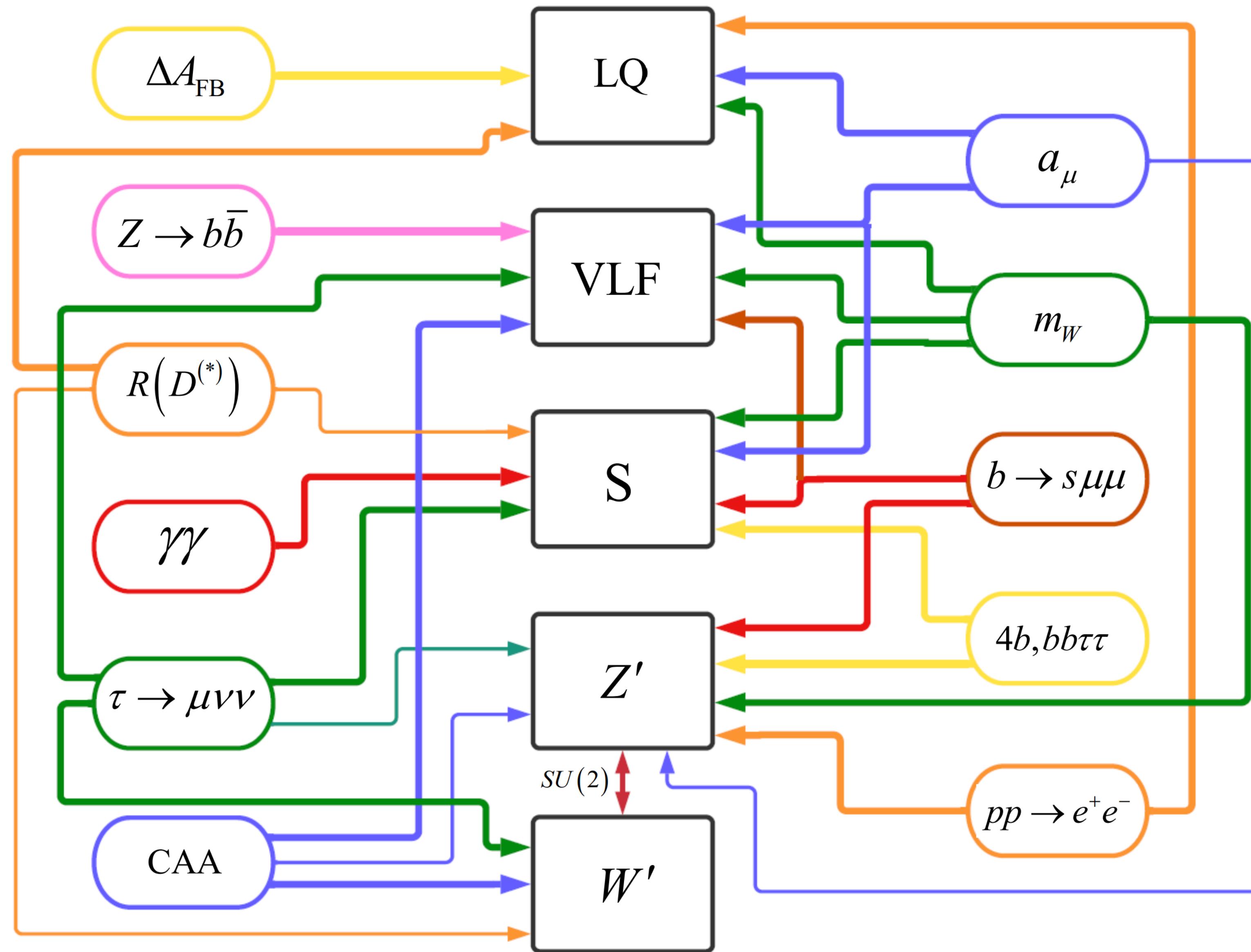


# Conclusions

- Many intriguing anomalies emerged in the last years:
  - ▶ EW observables
  - ▶ LFUV
  - ▶ Direct LHC searches



# Outlook: Beyond the Standard Model



## Future implications

- $a_\mu$ : Belle-II and MUonE, lattice QCD
- CAA: NA62 ( $K \rightarrow \mu\nu$ )/( $K \rightarrow \pi\mu\nu$ ) and PIONEER pion beta decay
- $\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu\nu$ : Belle II, FCC-ee, CEPC
- $b \rightarrow c\ell\nu$ : R( $D(*)$ ) Belle II, LHCb run 3, CMS
- $b \rightarrow s\ell^+\ell^-$ : non-perturbative methods like dispersion relations
- $mW$ : ILC, CLIC, FCC-ee or CEPC
- $e\mu(+b)$ : NNLO effects helps to determine SM background, LHC
- $jj(-jj) \& qq^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$ : LHC run 3