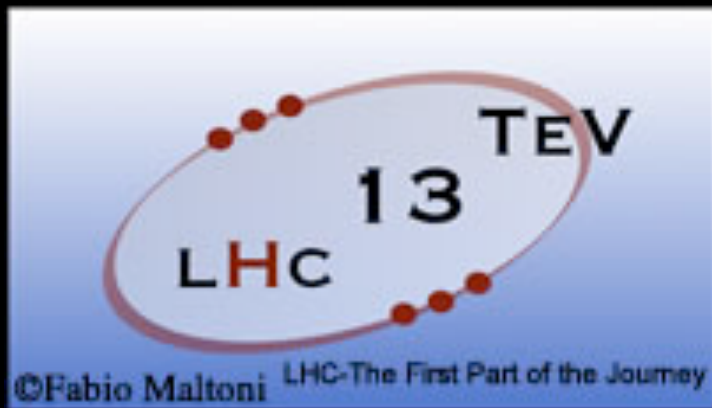


# Identifying Colorons at the LHC

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# AFTER YEARS OF WORK PAY OFF...

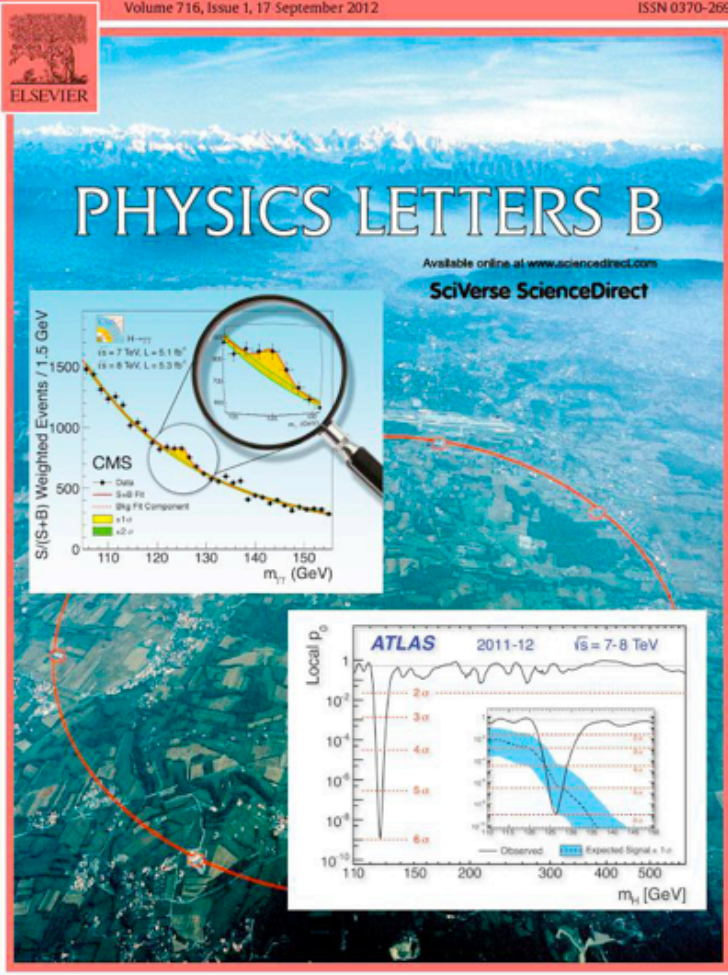
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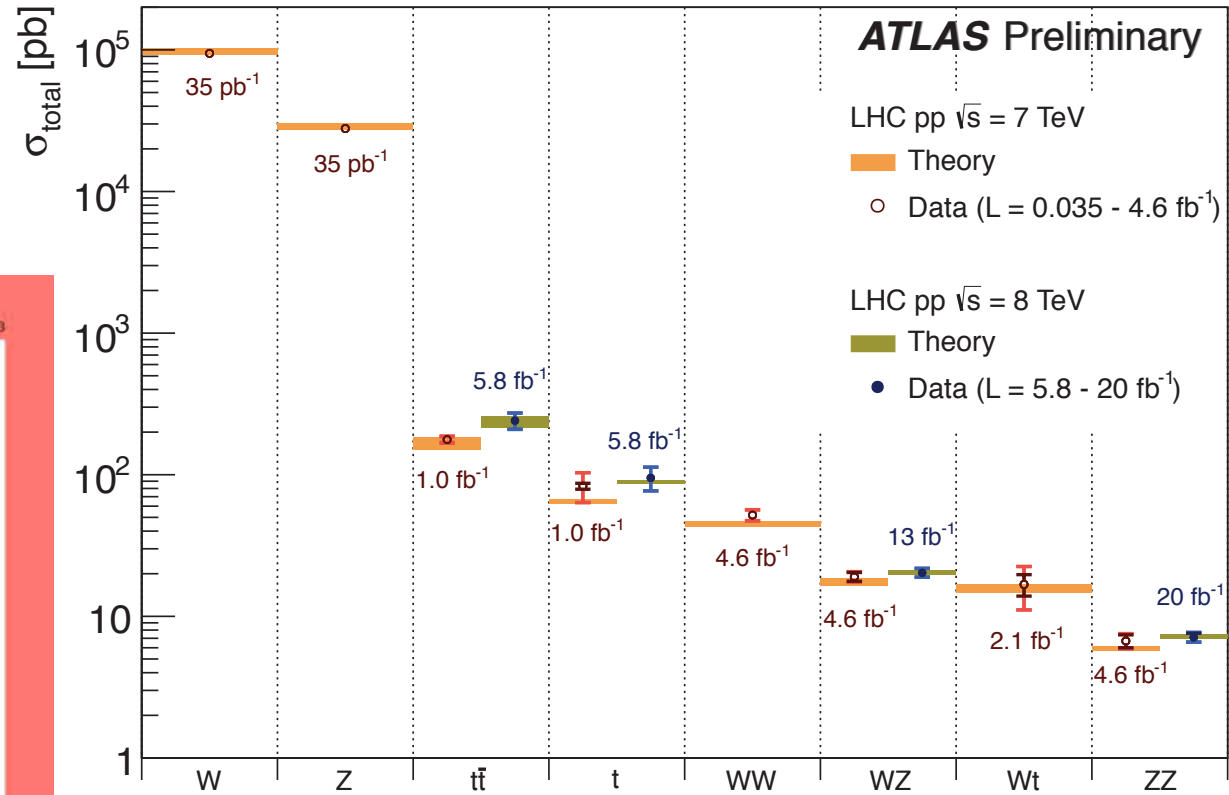
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# WHAT COMES NEXT?





2015?

# WHAT MAY LEAP OUT?



# NEW COLORED STATES...

## Gauge bosons from extended color groups:

**Classic Axigluon:** P.H. Frampton and S.L. Glashow, Phys. Lett. B 190, 157 (1987).

**Topgluon:** C.T. Hill, Phys. Lett. B 266, 419 (1991).

**Flavor-universal Coloron:** R.S. Chivukula, A.G. Cohen, & E.H. Simmons, Phys. Lett. B 380, 92 (1996).

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**New Axigluon:** P.H. Frampton, J. Shu, and K. Wang, Phys. Lett. B 683, 294 (2010).

## Other color-octet states:

**KK gluon:** H. Davoudiasl, J.L. Hewett, and T.G. Rizzo, Phys. Rev. D 63, 075004 (2001)  
B. Lillie, L. Randall, and L.-T. Wang, JHEP 0709, 074 (2007).

**Techni-rho:** E. Farhi and L. Susskind, Physics Reports 74, 277 (1981).

## Still more possibilities:

**Color sextets, colored scalars, low-scale scale string resonances...**

T. Han, I. Lewis, Z. Liu, JHEP 1012, 085 (2010).

# ...WHICH MIGHT CONNECT TO TOP

## E.g., colorons could impact $A_{FB}^t$

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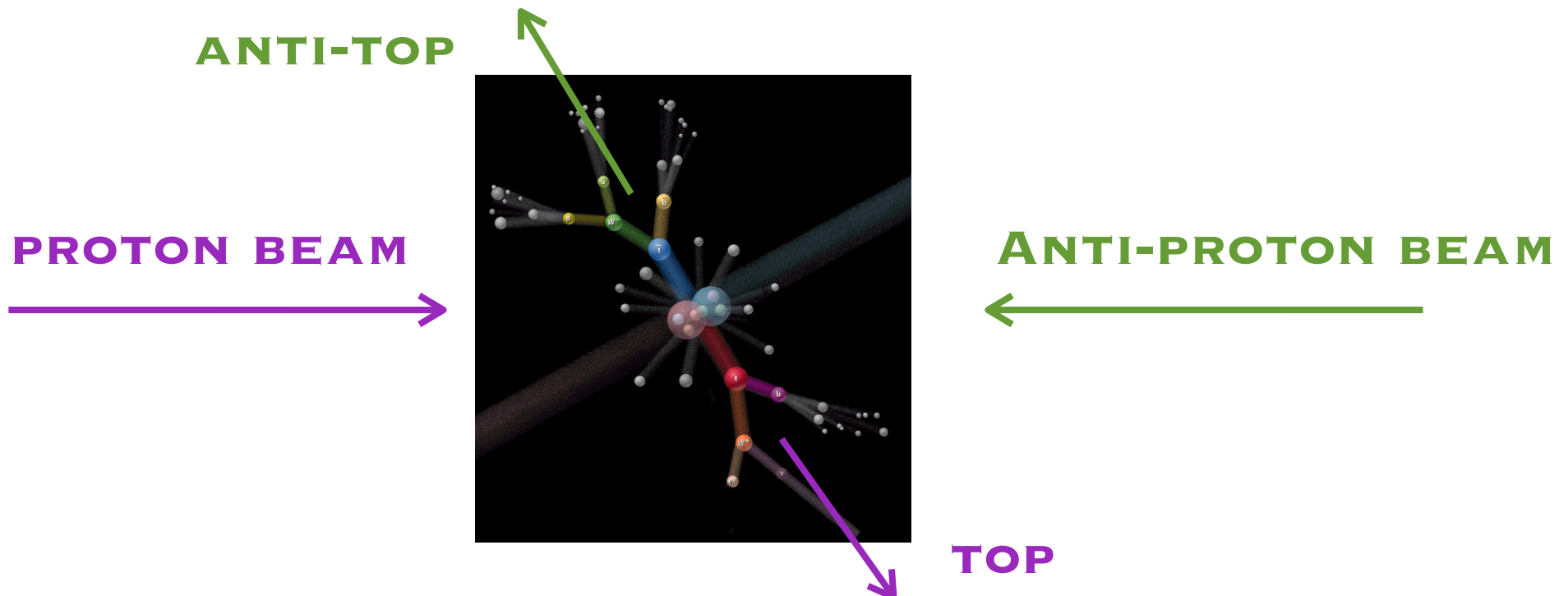
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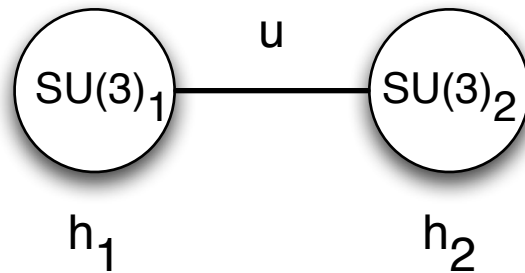
**... see also upcoming talk on Thursday by A. Kagan**



# MODEL BASICS



# COLORON MODELS: GAUGE SECTOR



$SU(3)_1 \times SU(3)_2$  color sector with  $M^2 = \frac{u^2}{4} \begin{pmatrix} h_1^2 & -h_1 h_2 \\ -h_1 h_2 & h_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$

unbroken subgroup:  $SU(3)_{1+2} = SU(3)_{\text{QCD}}$

$$h_1 = \frac{g_s}{\cos \theta} \quad h_2 = \frac{g_s}{\sin \theta}$$

gluon state:  $G_\mu^A = \cos \theta A_{1\mu}^A + \sin \theta A_{2\mu}^A$

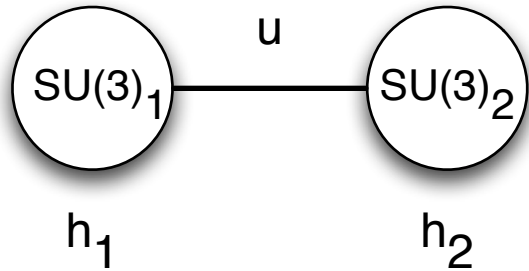
couples to:  $g_S J_G^\mu \equiv g_S (J_1^\mu + J_2^\mu) \quad M_G = 0$

coloron state:  $C_\mu^A = -\sin \theta A_{1\mu}^A + \cos \theta A_{2\mu}^A \quad M_C = \frac{u}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{h_1^2 + h_2^2}$

couples to:  $g_S J_C^\mu \equiv g_S (-J_1^\mu \tan \theta + J_2^\mu \cot \theta)$

low-energy current-current interaction:  $\mathcal{L}_{FF}^2 = -\frac{g_S^2}{2M_C^2} J_C^\mu J_{C\mu}$

# COLORON MODELS: QUARK CHARGES



$$g_S J_G^\mu \equiv g_S (J_1^\mu + J_2^\mu)$$

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Depending on how quarks transform under  $SU(3)_1 \times SU(3)_2$  the presence of colorons may impact

- LHC **dijet** mass distribution (or angular distribution)
- kinematic distributions of **tt or bb** final states
- asymmetry in top-quark production: **A<sup>t</sup><sub>FB</sub>**
- **FCNC** processes:  $K\bar{K}$ ,  $D\bar{D}$ ,  $B\bar{B}$  mixing,  $b \rightarrow s\gamma$
- **precision EW** observables: delta-rho, R<sub>b</sub>

# PATTERNS OF QUARK CHARGES

SU(3) <sub>1</sub>	SU(3) <sub>2</sub>	model	pheno.
	(t,b) <sub>L</sub> q <sub>L</sub> t <sub>R,b</sub> <sub>R</sub> q <sub>R</sub>	<b>coloron</b>	dijet
q <sub>R</sub>	(t,b) <sub>L</sub> q <sub>L</sub> t <sub>R,b</sub> <sub>R</sub>		
t <sub>R,b</sub> <sub>R</sub>	(t,b) <sub>L</sub> q <sub>L</sub> q <sub>R</sub>		
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q <sub>L</sub> t <sub>R,b</sub> <sub>R</sub>	(t,b) <sub>L</sub> q <sub>R</sub>	<b>new axigluon</b>	dijet, A <sup>t</sup> <sub>FB</sub> , FCNC
q <sub>L</sub> q <sub>R</sub>	(t,b) <sub>L</sub> t <sub>R,b</sub> <sub>R</sub>	<b>topgluon</b>	dijet, tt, bb, FCNC, R <sub>b</sub> ...
t <sub>R,b</sub> <sub>R</sub> q <sub>R</sub>	(t,b) <sub>L</sub> q <sub>L</sub>	<b>classic axigluon</b>	dijet, A <sup>t</sup> <sub>FB</sub>
q <sub>L</sub> t <sub>R,b</sub> <sub>R</sub> q <sub>R</sub>	(t,b) <sub>L</sub>		

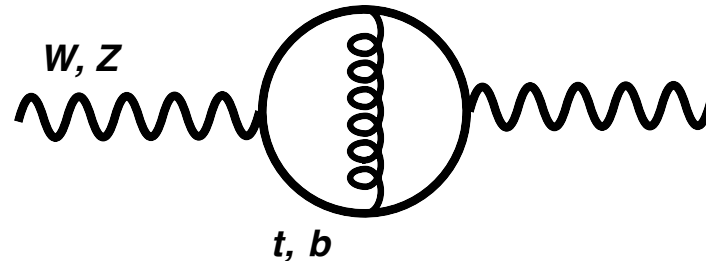
q = u,d,c,s

# INDIRECT EFFECTS

R.S. Chivukula, EHS, C.-P. Yuan [arXiv:1007.0260](https://arxiv.org/abs/1007.0260)

# PRECISION EW TESTS

- Coloron exchange can impact  $\Delta\rho$  at one-loop



but since

$$\Delta\rho_c \sim \frac{m_t^4}{M_W^2 M_C^2} \ln \left[ \frac{M_c^2}{m_t^2} \right]$$

the size of the effect is small if the coloron is heavy

- Likewise, coloron exchange across the  $Zb\bar{b}$  vertex yields effects proportional to  $m_b^2$  which are negligible

# FCNC IN COLORON MODELS

- Coloron exchange can produce FCNC if the coloron coupling to quarks are flavor non-universal  
[different flavors are charged under different SU(3) groups]
- The total rate of FCNC will depend quite strongly on how flavor is implemented overall in the model
  - ▶ Are there other states that quarks mix with?
  - ▶ Are there additional composite states made from quarks, whose exchange can boost FCNC's?
- Let's look at an example [for another, see the talk by R.S. Chivukula]

# NEW AXIGLUON MODEL

Pattern	SU(3) <sub>1</sub>	SU(3) <sub>2</sub>	model
5	q <sub>L</sub> t <sub>R</sub> , b <sub>R</sub>	(t, b) <sub>L</sub> q <sub>R</sub>	new axigluon

Since  $g_A^t = -g_A^q = g_S \csc 2\theta$ , the axigluon boosts  $A_{\text{FB}}^t$

P.H. Frampton, J. Shu, and K. Wang, Phys. Lett. B 683, 294 (2010)

But axigluon exchange also induces an operator that causes B-meson mixing:

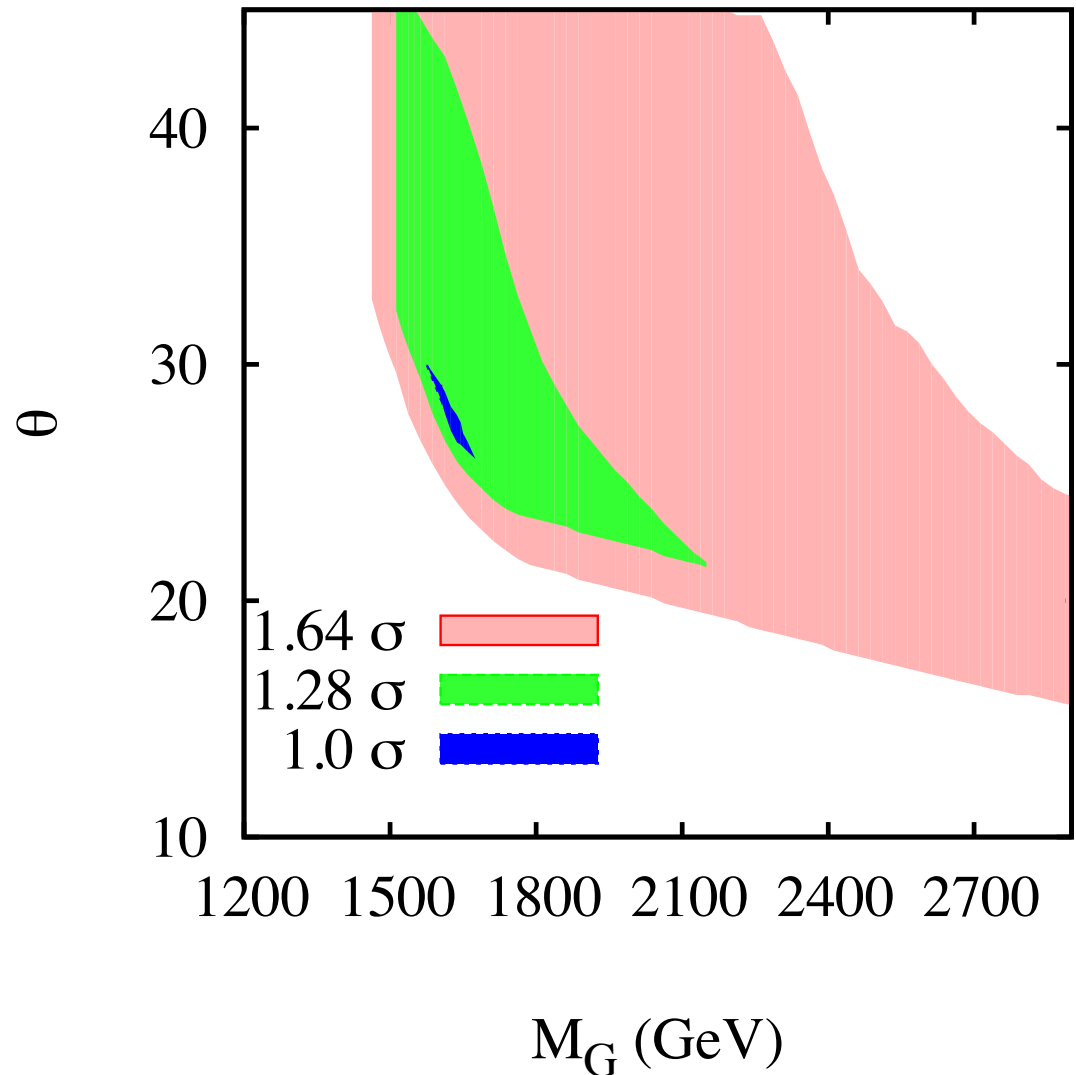
$$\frac{8\pi\alpha_s}{3M_C^2 \sin^2 2\theta} (V_{td}^* V_{tb})^2 (\bar{b}_L \gamma^\mu d_L) (\bar{b}_L \gamma_\mu d_L)$$

UTFit analyses set the limit:  $M_C \sin 2\theta > 1800 \text{ GeV}$

# NEW AXIGLUON AND $A_{\text{FB}}^t$

Here are the regions of model parameter space where  $A_{\text{FB}}^t$  and  $M_{\text{tt}}$  both agree with experiment to the given degree.

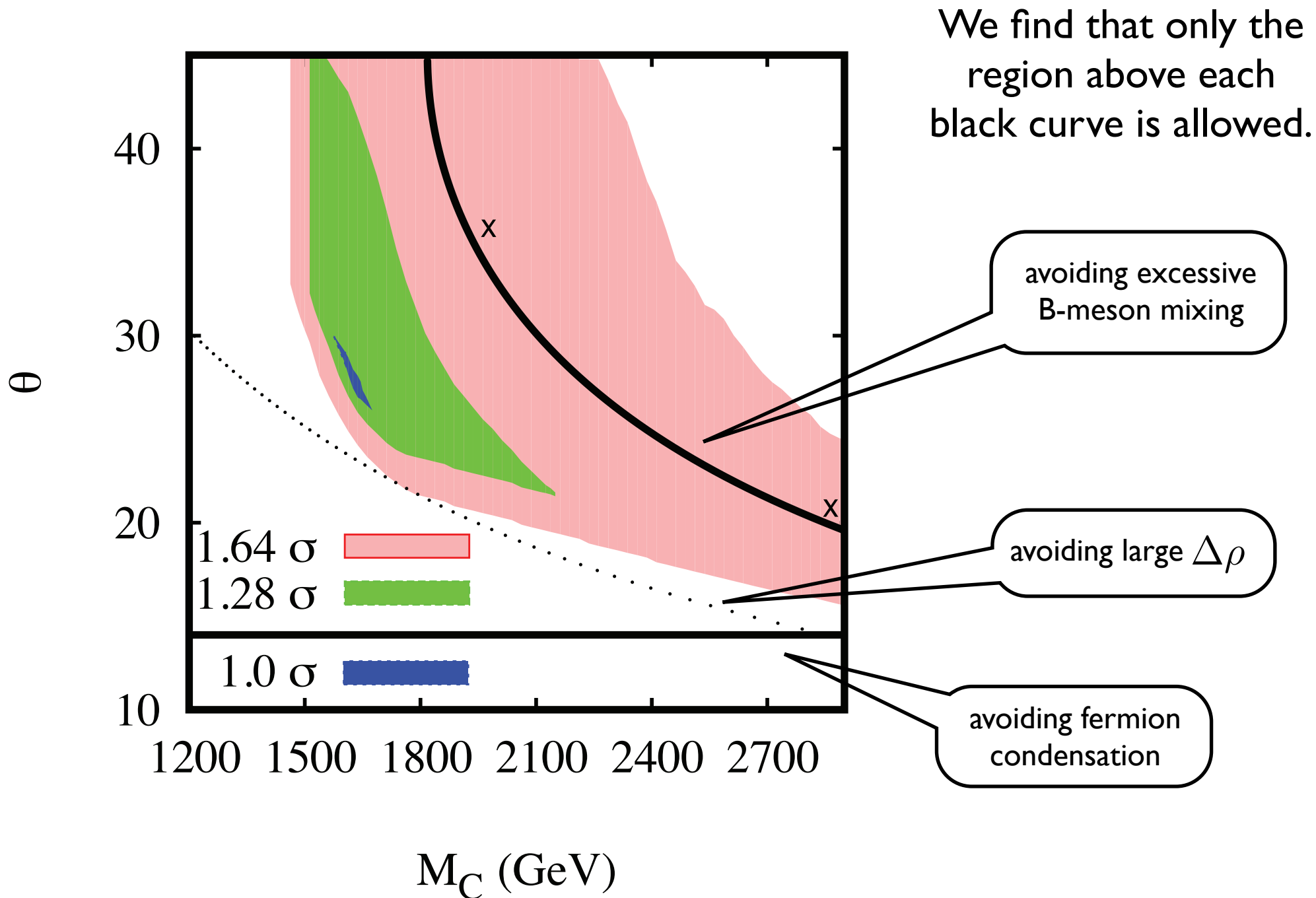
Theta is cut off at  $10^\circ$  to keep  $h_1, h_2$  perturbative.



Frampton, Shu, and Wang (2010)



# OVERLAY OF PRECISION CONSTRAINTS



# LHC COLORON SEARCHES AT NLO

R.S. Chivukula, A. Farzinnia, R. Foadi, EHS

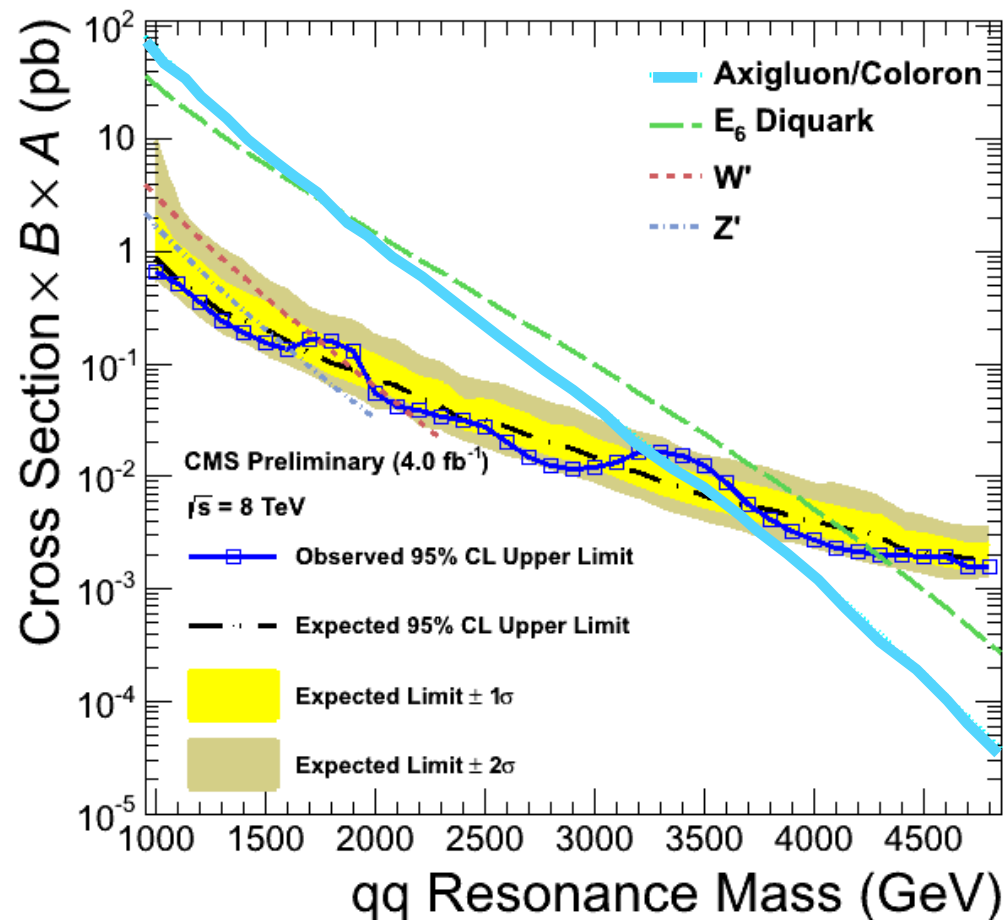
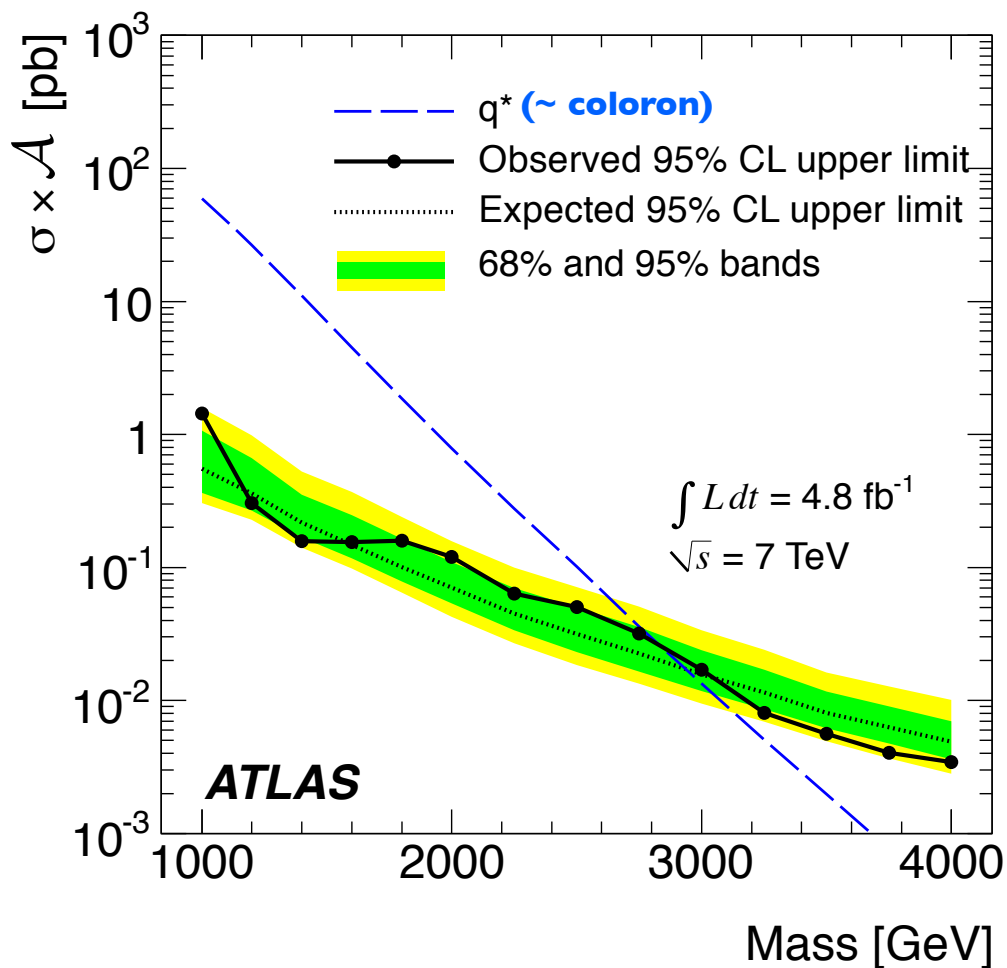
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# LHC LIMITS ON COLORONS

LHC searches for colorons in dijets constrain  $M_C$

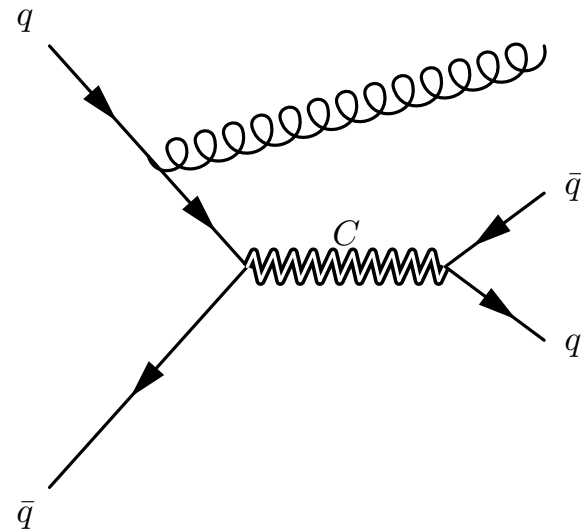
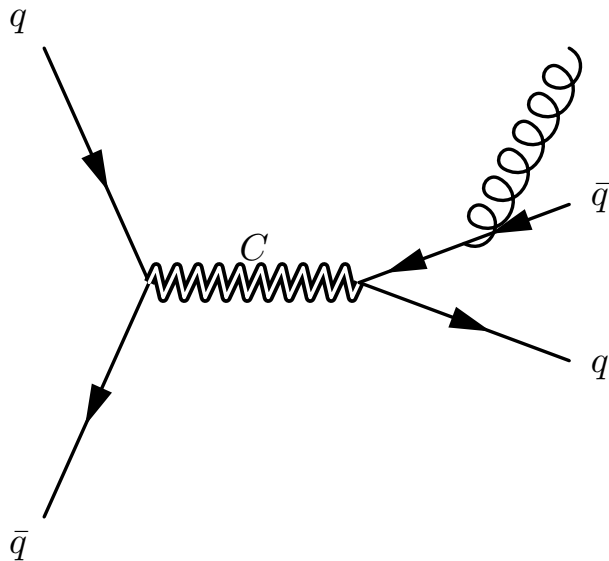
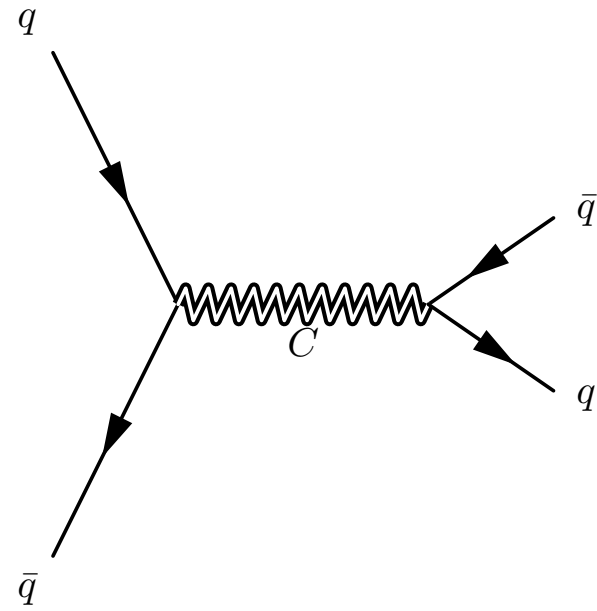


But these calculations have treated the colorons only at LO and QCD to NLO (or beyond) ... we can do better!

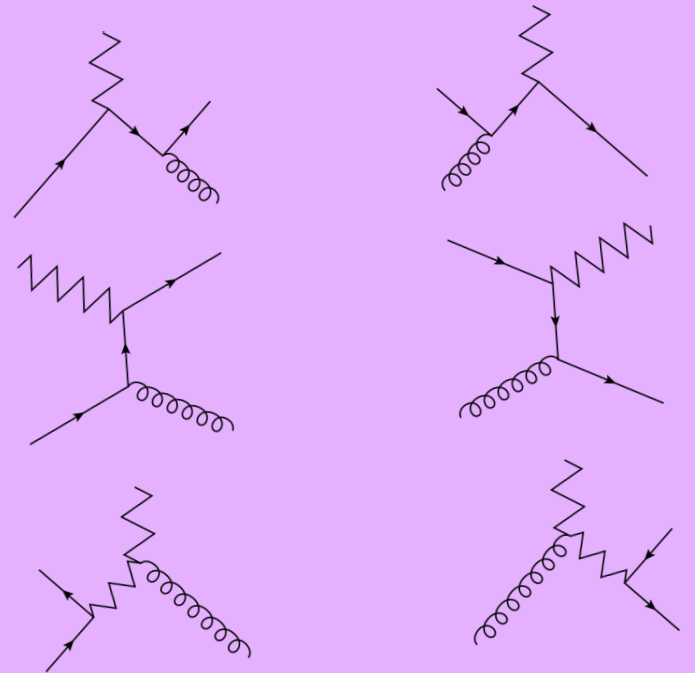
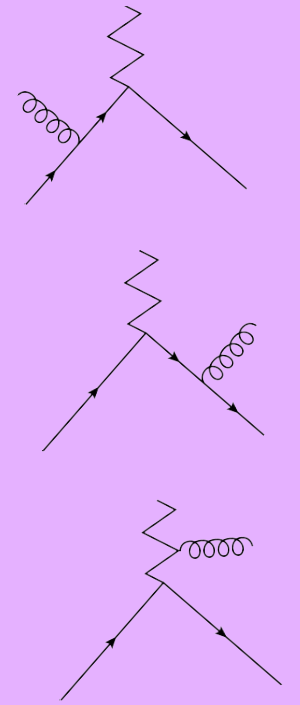
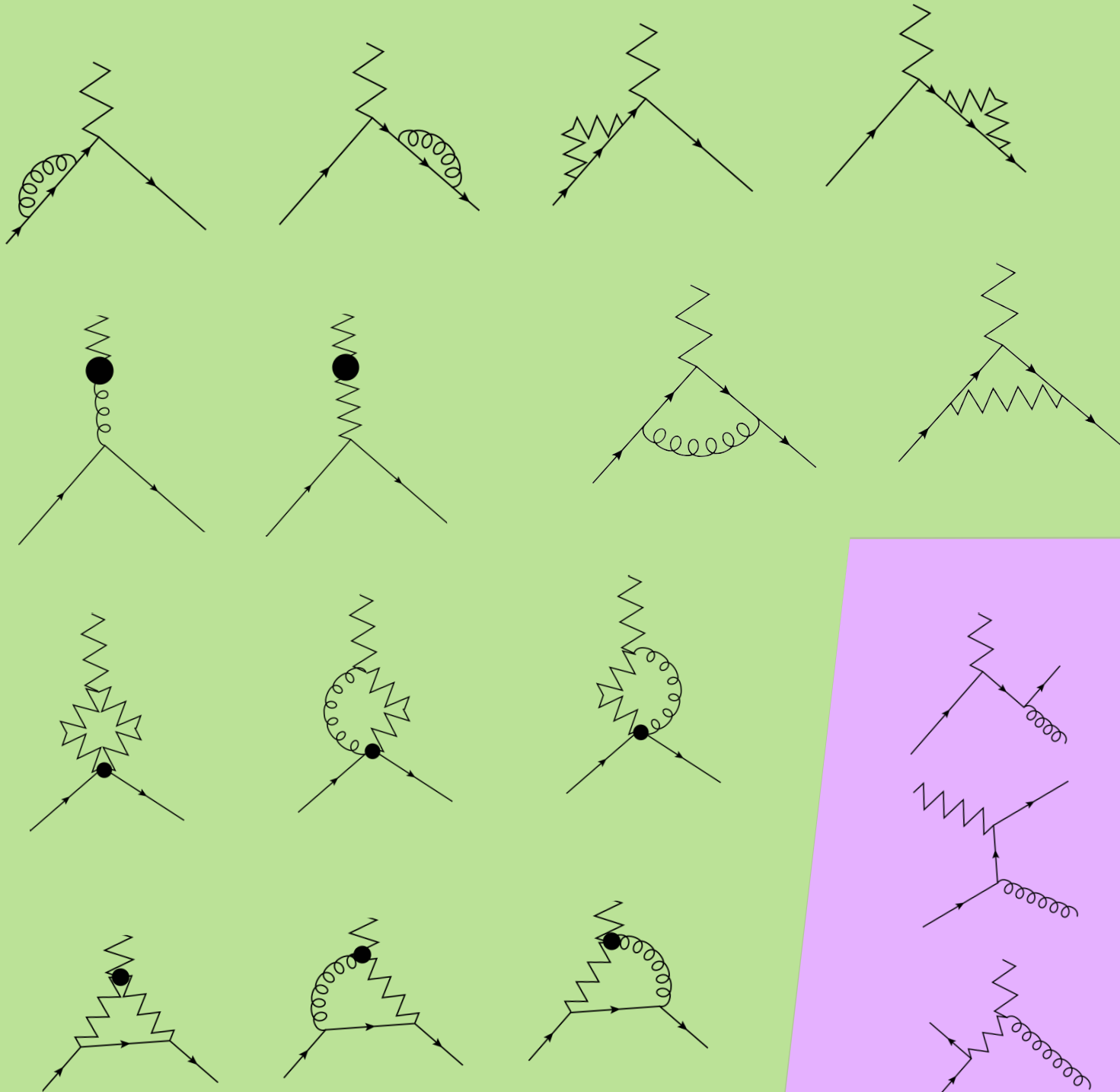
# COLORON PRODUCTION

## LO vs NLO production

- cross-section
- scale-dependence
- $p_T$  of coloron



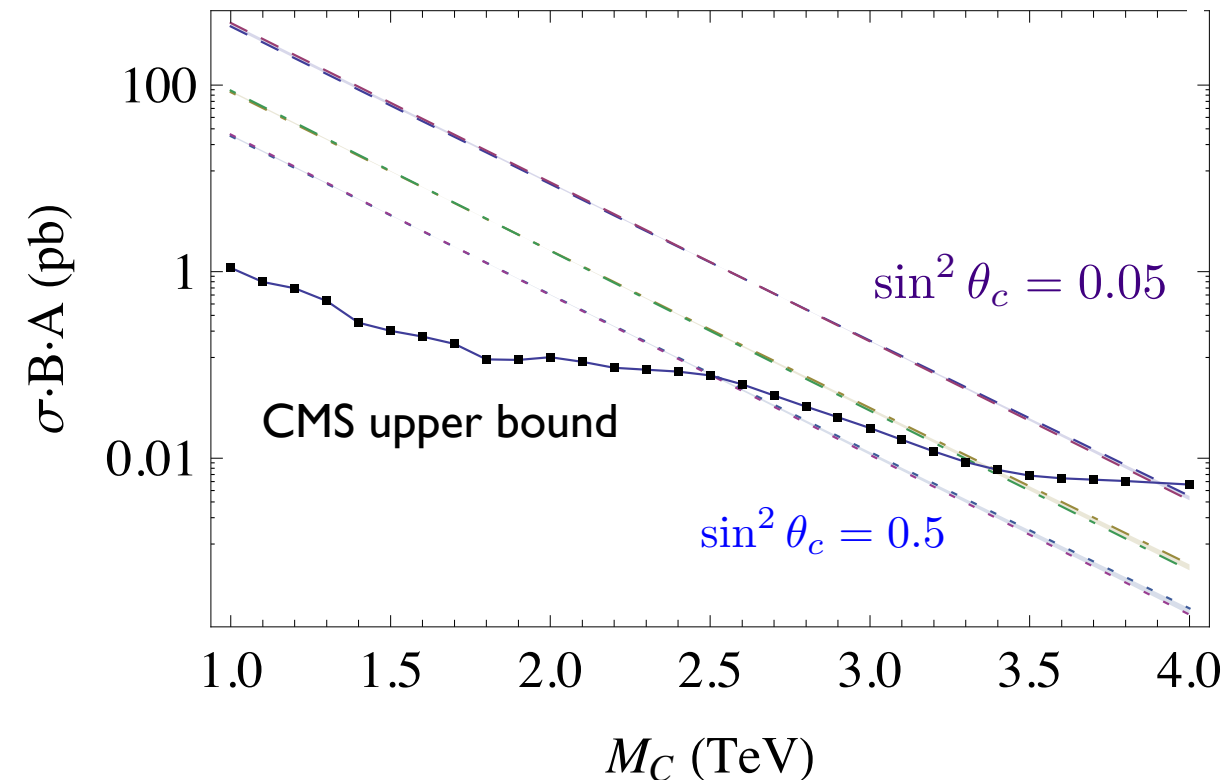
# NLO COLORONS: VIRTUAL & REAL CORRECTIONS



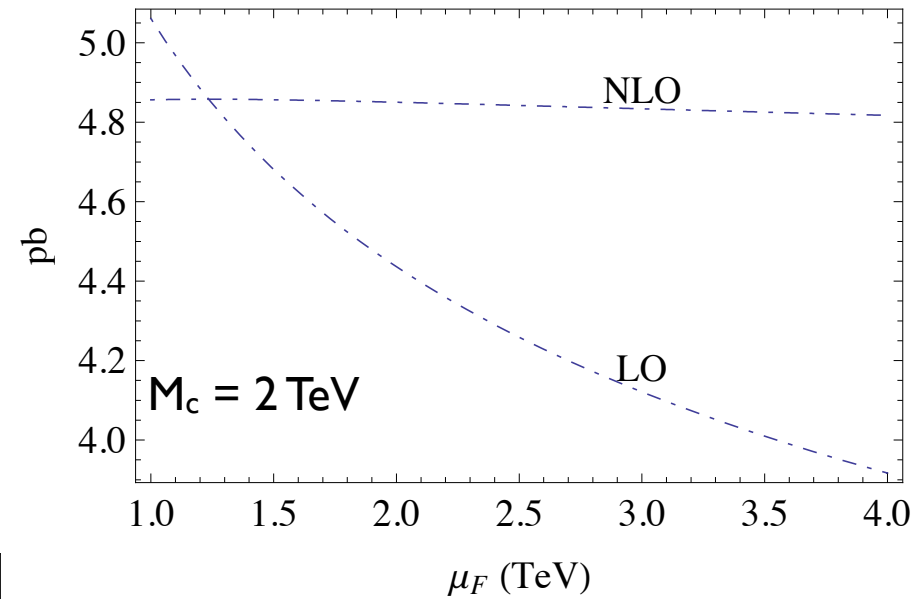
# NLO CROSS-SECTION

NLO coloron shows enhanced rate (below) and less scale-dependence (right) compared to LO

$$r_L=r_R=\cot \theta_c$$

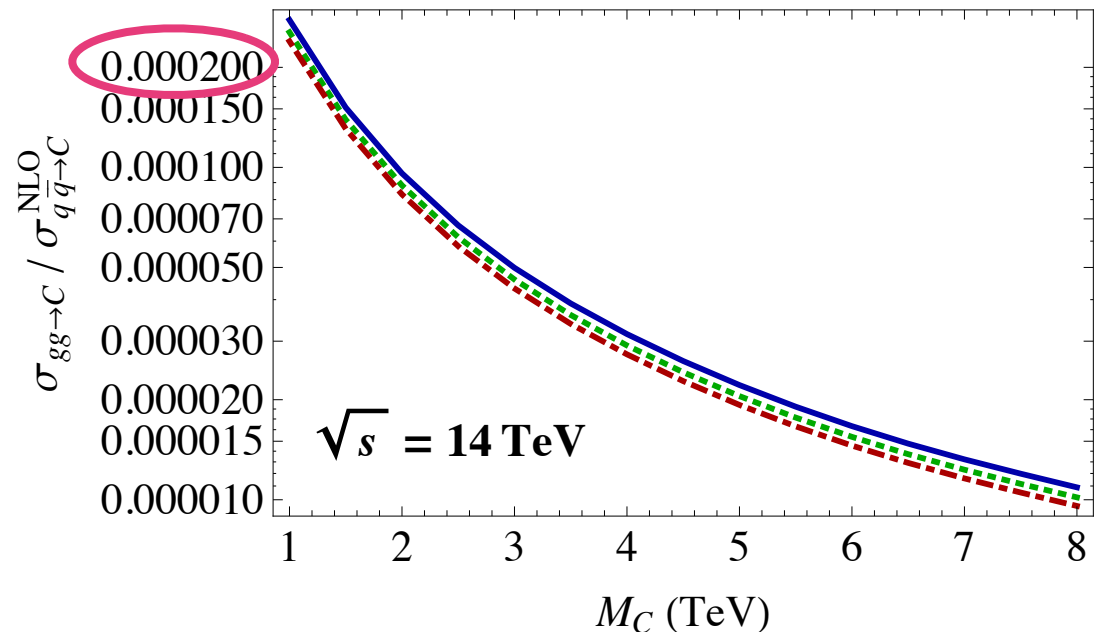
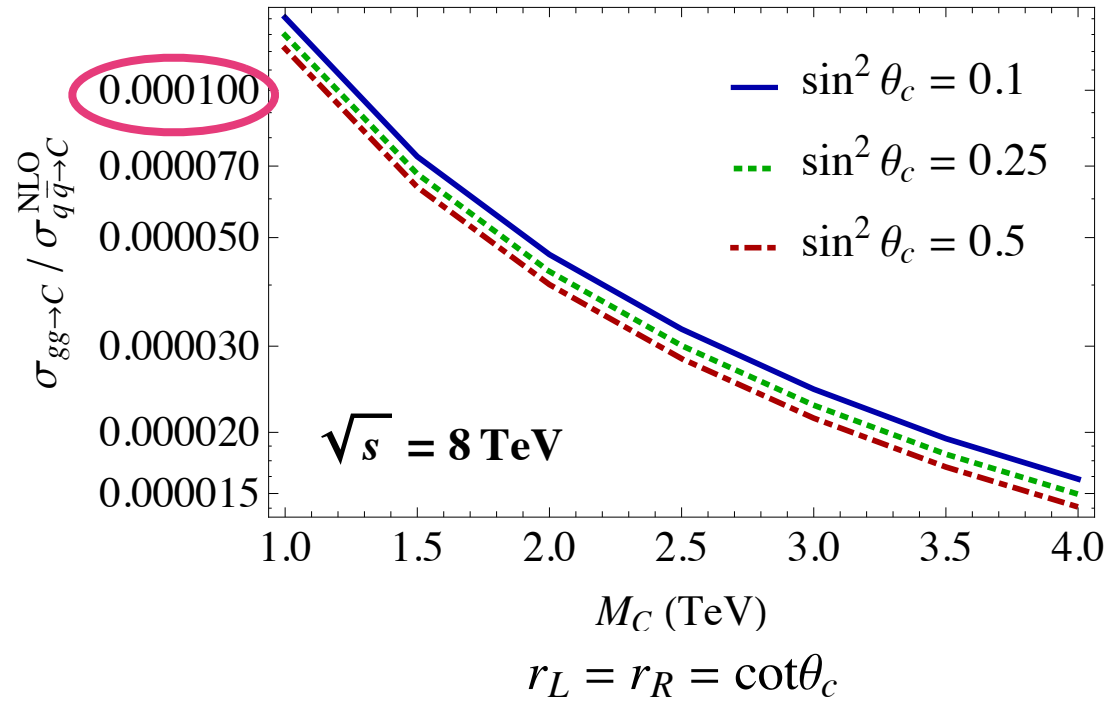
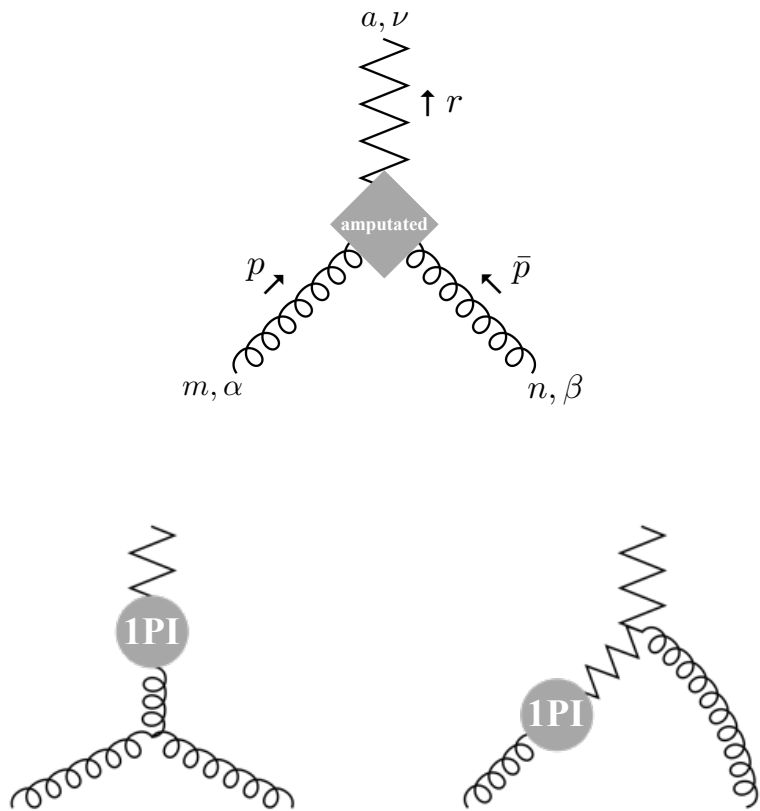


$$r_L=r_R=\cot \theta_c$$



# CGG VERTEX AT NLO

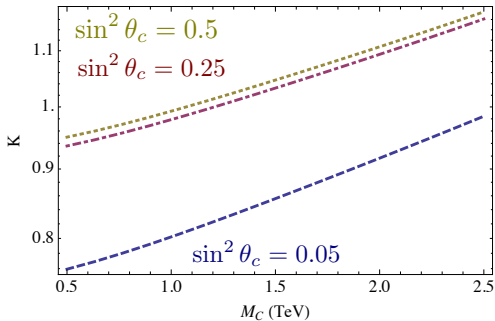
Can we harness  
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gluons at NLO?



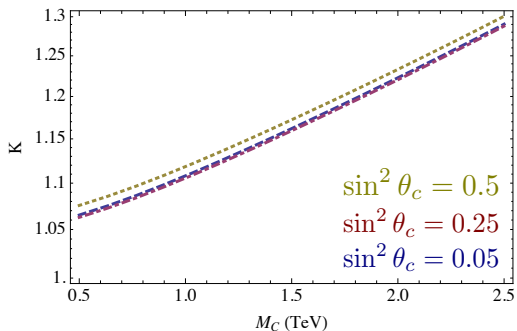
# K-FACTOR FOR COLORON & AXI-GLUON

$$K \equiv \frac{\sigma_{q\bar{q} \rightarrow C}^{\text{NLO}}}{\sigma_{q\bar{q} \rightarrow C}^{\text{LO}}}$$

$$r_L = r_R = \cot \theta_c, \mu = \mu_F = M_C$$



$$r_L \neq r_R, \mu = \mu_F = M_C$$



**Also: 30% of produced colorons have  $p_T > 200$  GeV!**



# BEYOND PRODUCTION:

## Suppose we discover a coloron:

A tremendous variety of chiral and flavor structures for the coloron coupling to quarks is open...

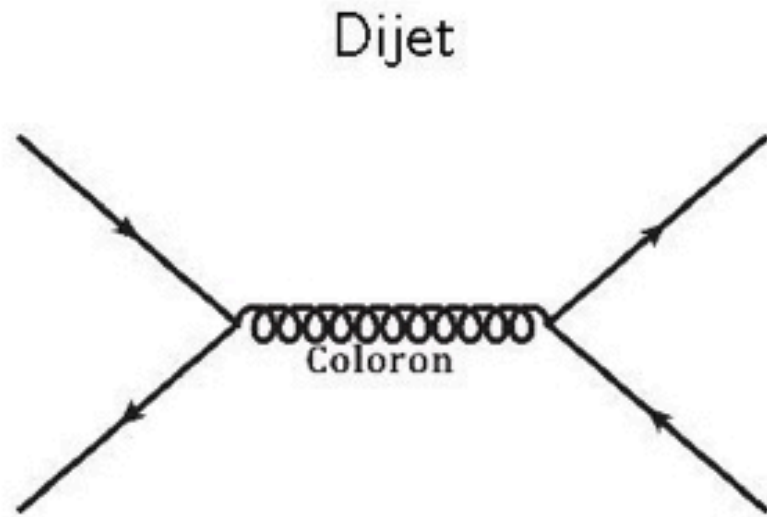
$$\underbrace{g_s \bar{q} C^\mu \gamma_\mu (g_V^q + g_A^q \gamma_5) q}_{q=u,d,c,s} \quad \text{and} \quad \underbrace{g_s \bar{T} C^\mu \gamma_\mu (g_V^T + g_A^T \gamma_5) T}_{T=t,b}$$

How to establish which coloron has been found?

# IDENTIFICATION

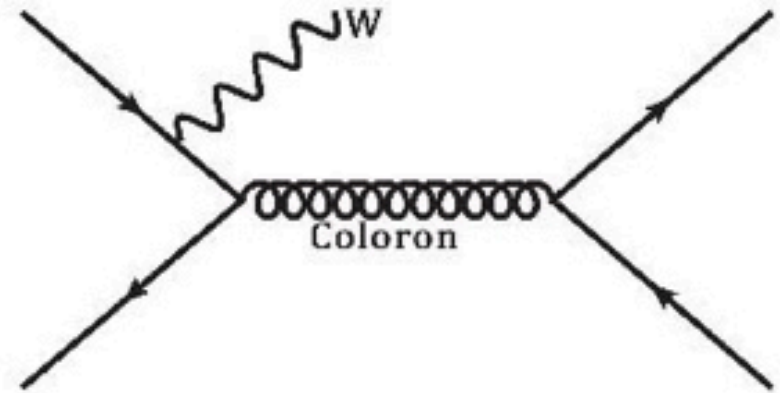
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# 1. STUDY ASSOCIATED PRODUCTION:



Discovery

Associated production with  $W$



Measurement

## Goal

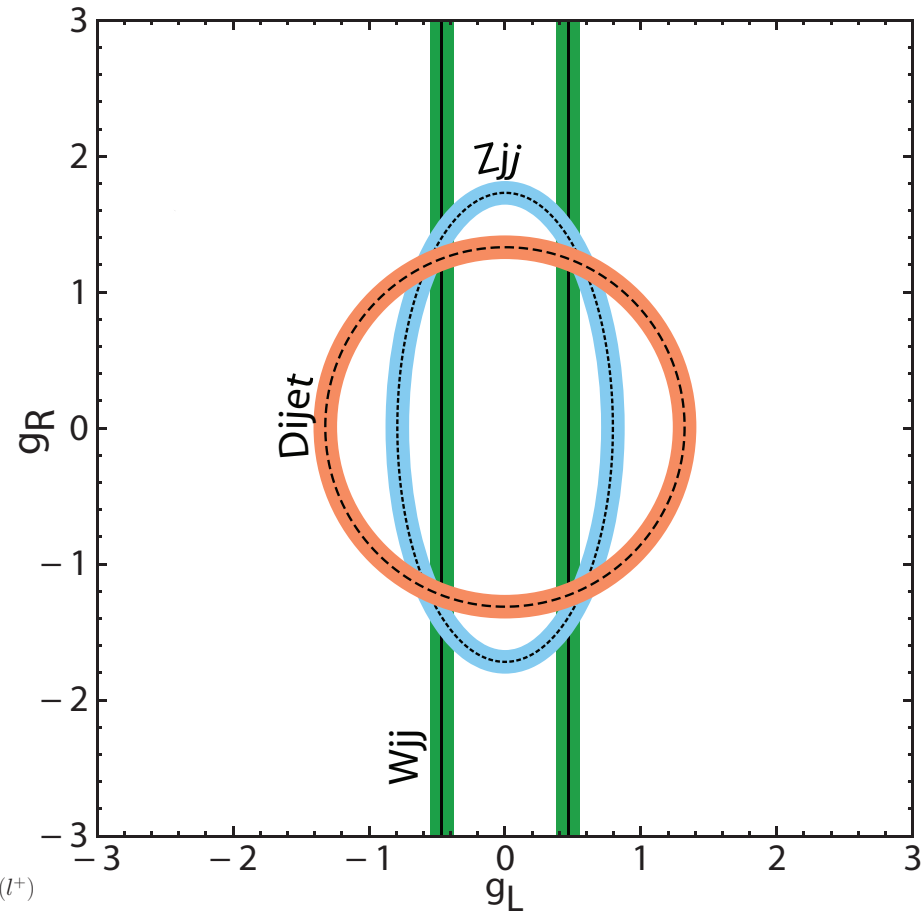
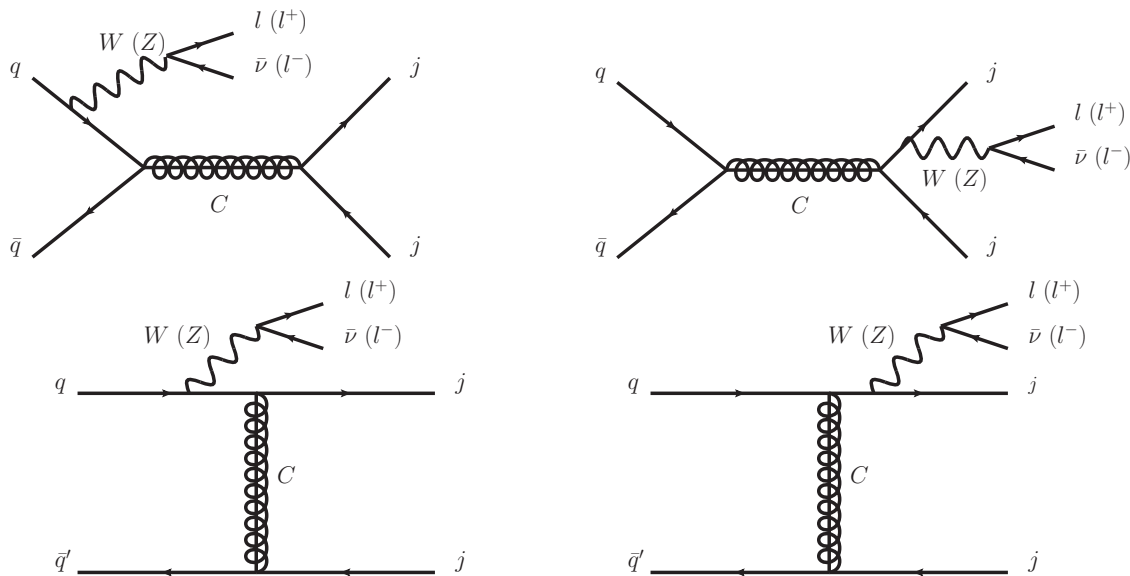
“ Using associated production\* with  $W$  and dijet resonance to determine colorons/axiguons couplings.”

\*Idea introduced by Cvetič and Langacker (1992) for measuring  $Z'$  couplings

# NEW MODE: $W+C^A$ PROBES CHIRAL COUPLINGS

Different production modes probe several combinations of the coloron's couplings to RH and LH fermions:

$$pp \rightarrow C^a + W[Z] \rightarrow jjl\nu[\ell\ell]$$



A. Atre, R.S.Chivukula, P. Ittisamai,  
EHS arXiv:1206.1661

# SIMULATION DETAILS

**Event Generation:** MadGraph 5.1.3 → Pythia 6.4 → PGS4

**Event Selection (“Basic cuts”):**

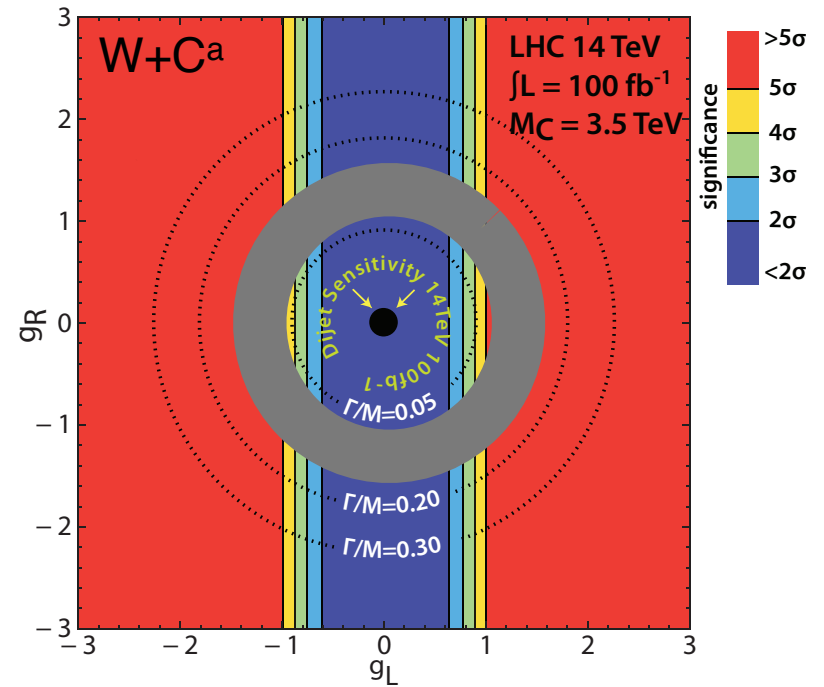
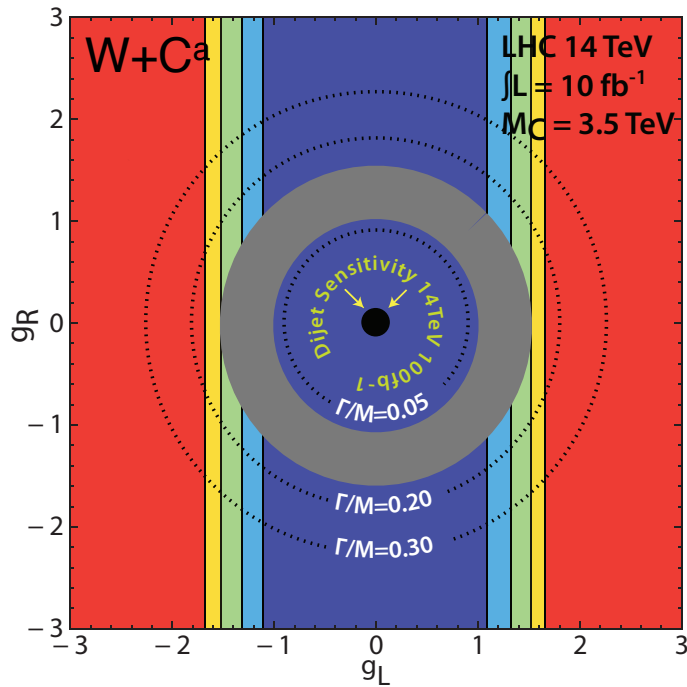
- At least two isolated jets
  - $p_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$
  - $|\eta| < 2.5$
  - $\Delta R_{jj} > 0.4$
- One isolated electron or muon
  - $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$
  - $\Delta R_{jl} > 0.4, \Delta R_{ll} > 0.2$
- Missing energy  $> 25 \text{ GeV}$

**Optimization:**

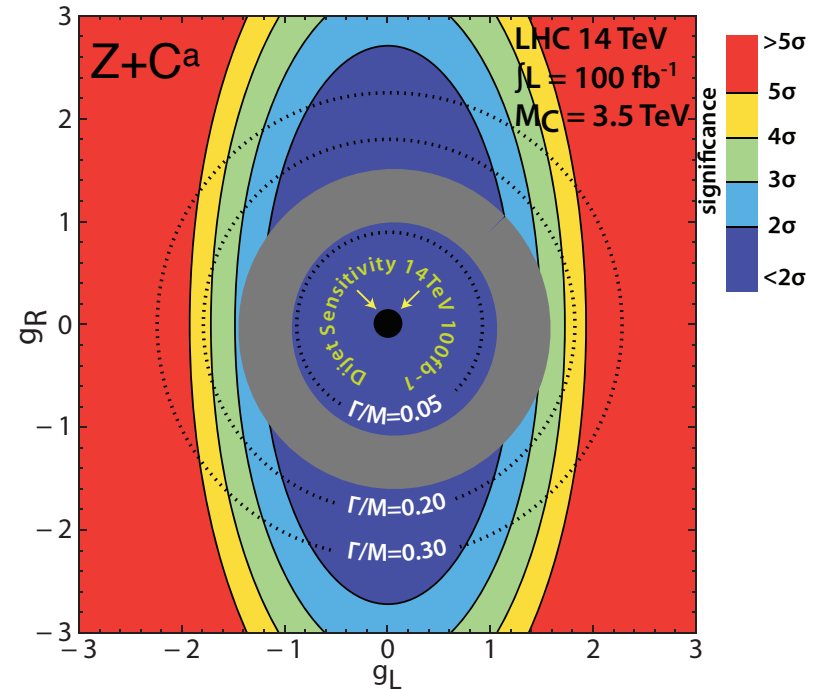
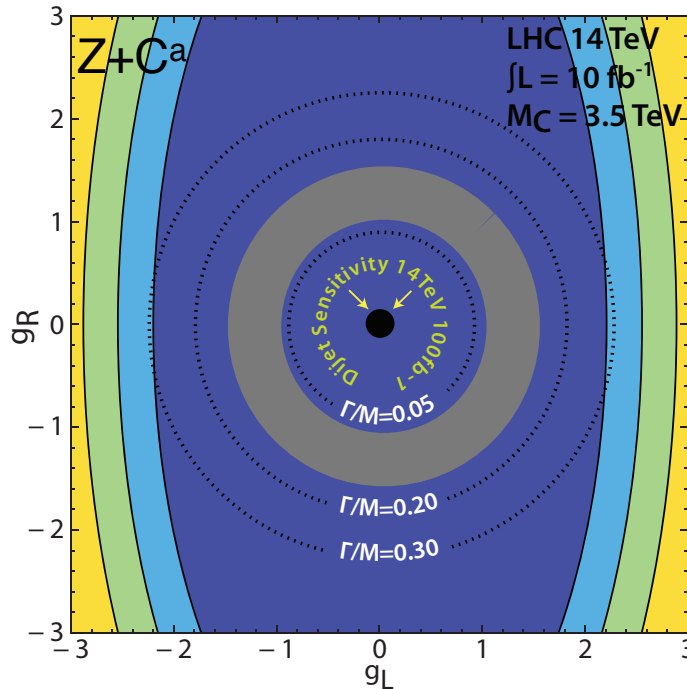
- $p_T$  of leading jets
  - total transverse jet energy ( $H_T \simeq \sum p_T$ )
  - Invariant masses  $m_{jj}$  or  $m_{jjW}$
- maximize significance  $\simeq \frac{s}{\sqrt{b}}$  at  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for LHC 14 TeV

# W+C<sup>A</sup>: HEAT MAP OF SIGNIFICANCE

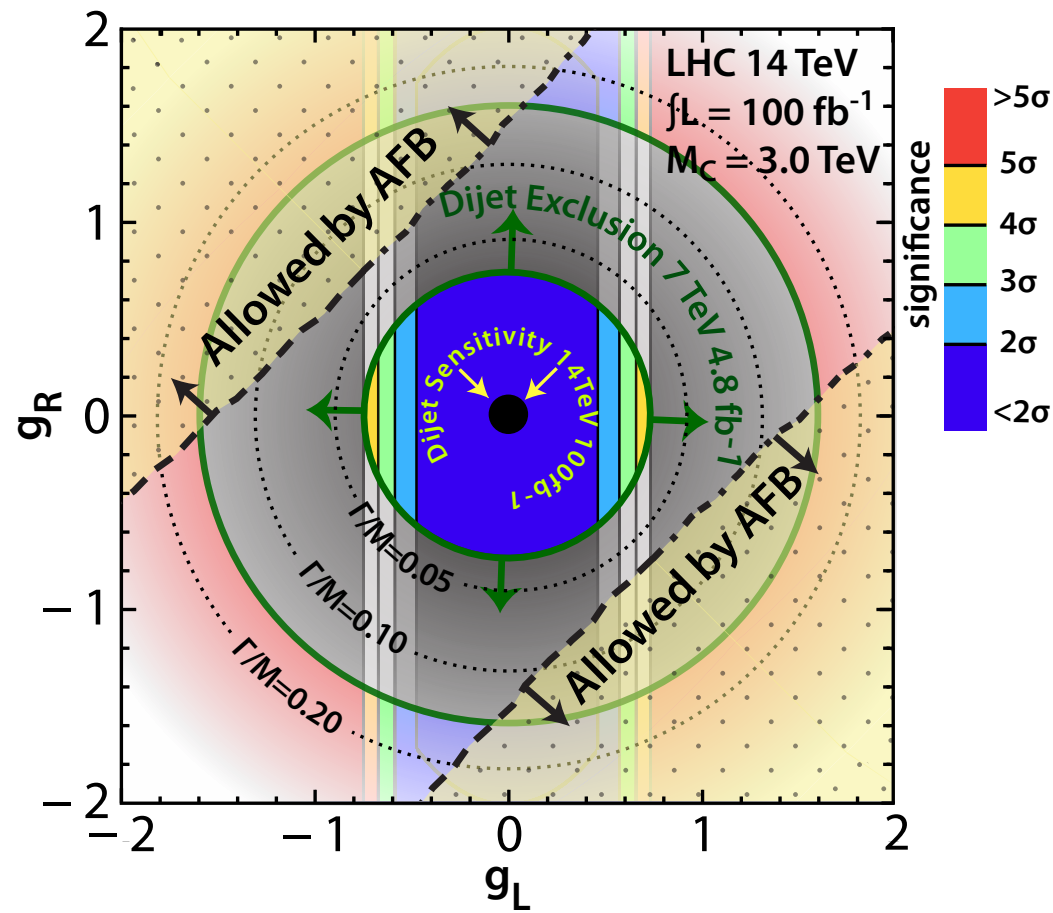
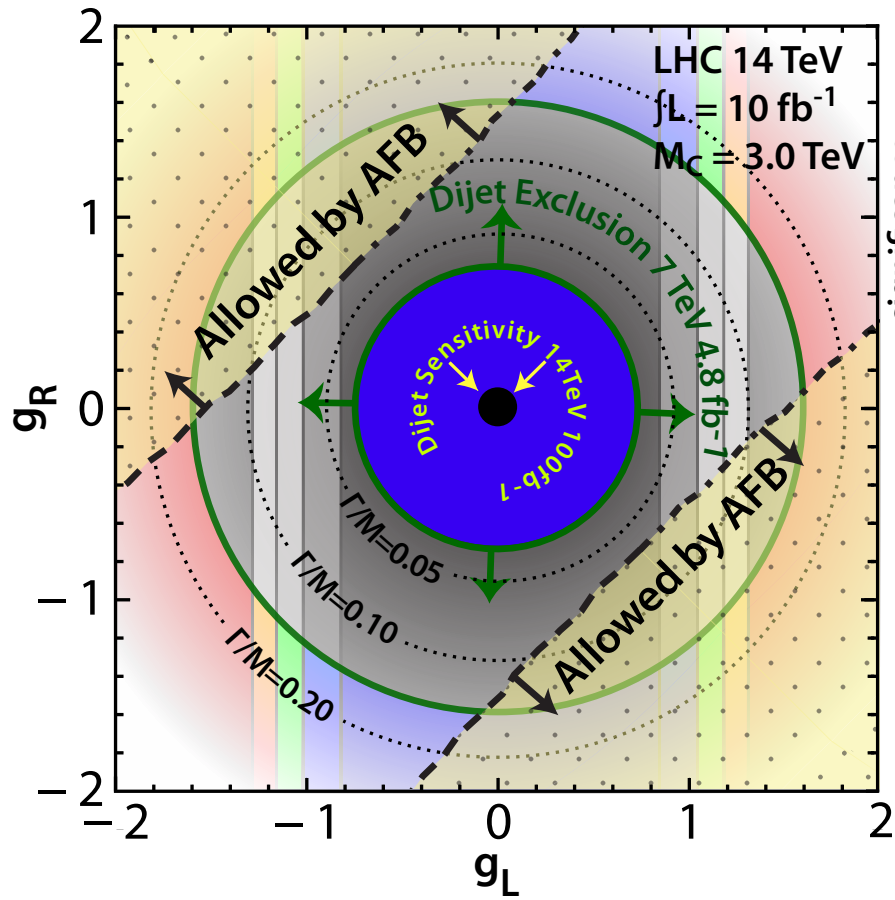
all of these heat maps are for  $M_c = 3.5$  TeV at **14 TeV LHC**



grey ring is excluded by 7 TeV LHC dijet searches with 5 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data



# $W+C^A$ : HEAT MAP AND $A^T_{FB}$ RANGE



## 2. DISTINGUISH DIJET RESONANCES

Suppose a new dijet resonance is found. How to tell whether it is a coloron or a leptophobic  $Z'$ ?

For a given measured mass  $M$  and cross-section  $\sigma_{jj}$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow C \rightarrow jj) = \frac{8 \Gamma_C}{9 M_C^3} \Sigma(pp \rightarrow C) Br(C \rightarrow jj)$$

must be  
equal

PDFs, phase space,  
kinematics

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow jj) = \frac{1 \Gamma_{Z'}}{9 M_{Z'}^3} \Sigma(pp \rightarrow Z') Br(Z' \rightarrow jj)$$



# GENERALIZE FLAVOR STRUCTURE?

For more generality, allow  $g^t \equiv \xi g^q$

As a result:  $\Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma * \left( \frac{4 + 2\xi^2}{6} \right)$   $Br(V \rightarrow jj) : \frac{5}{6} \rightarrow \left( \frac{4 + \xi^2}{4 + 2\xi^2} \right)$

which changes the detail but not the substance of

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow C \rightarrow jj) = \frac{8 \Gamma_C}{9 M_C^3} \Sigma(pp \rightarrow C) Br(C \rightarrow jj)$$

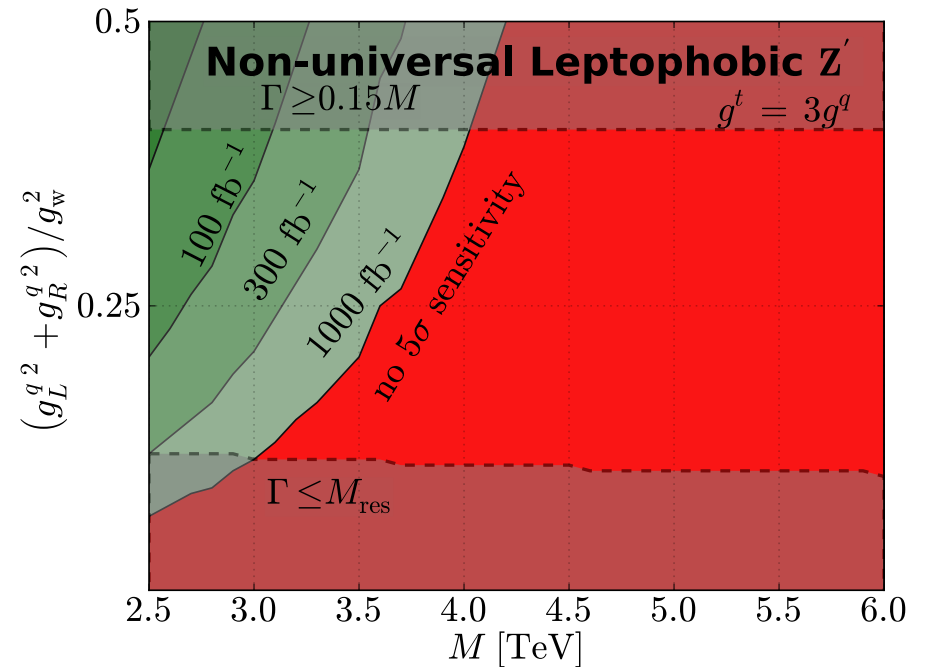
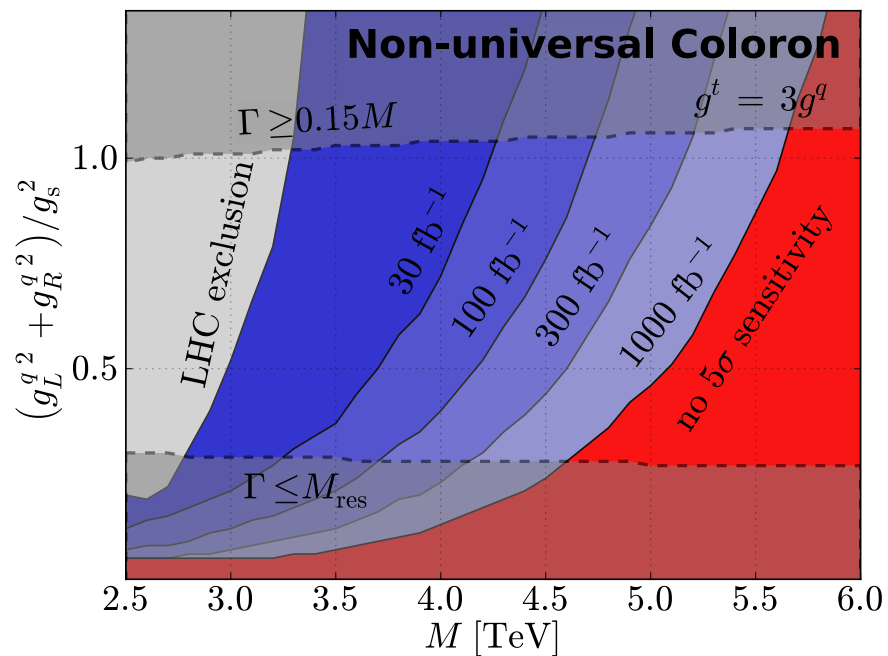
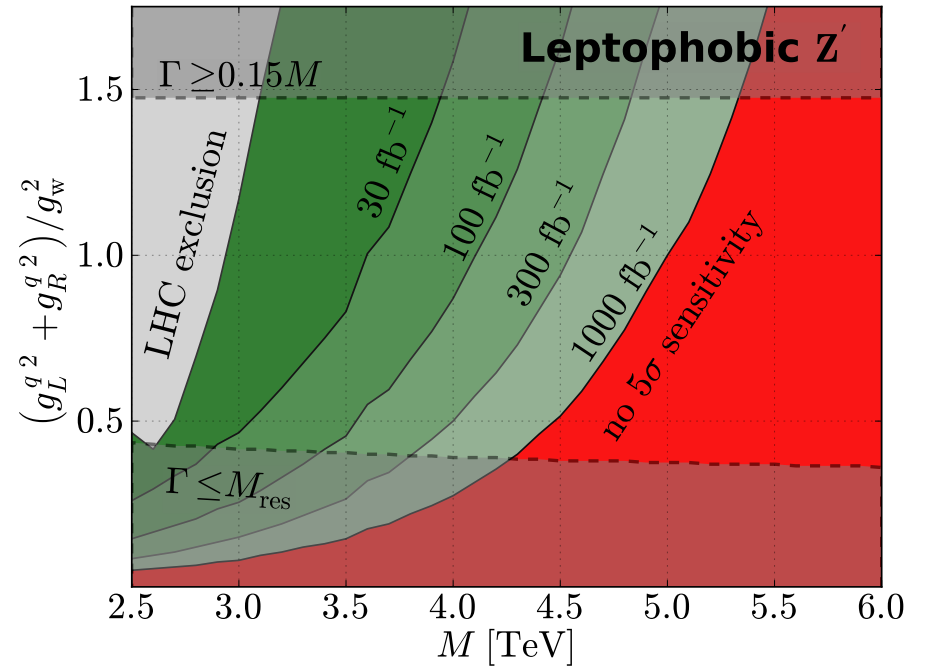
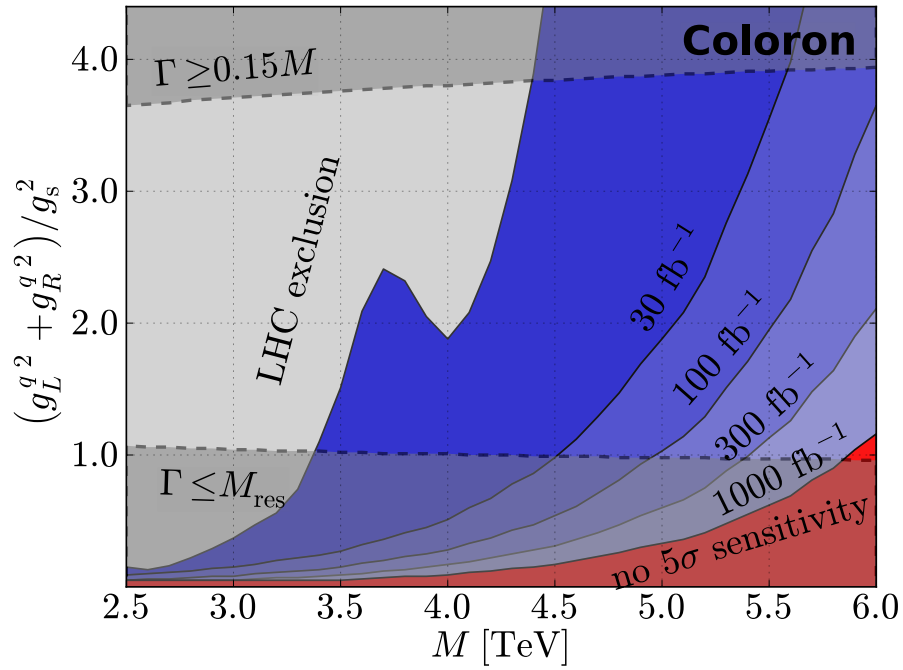
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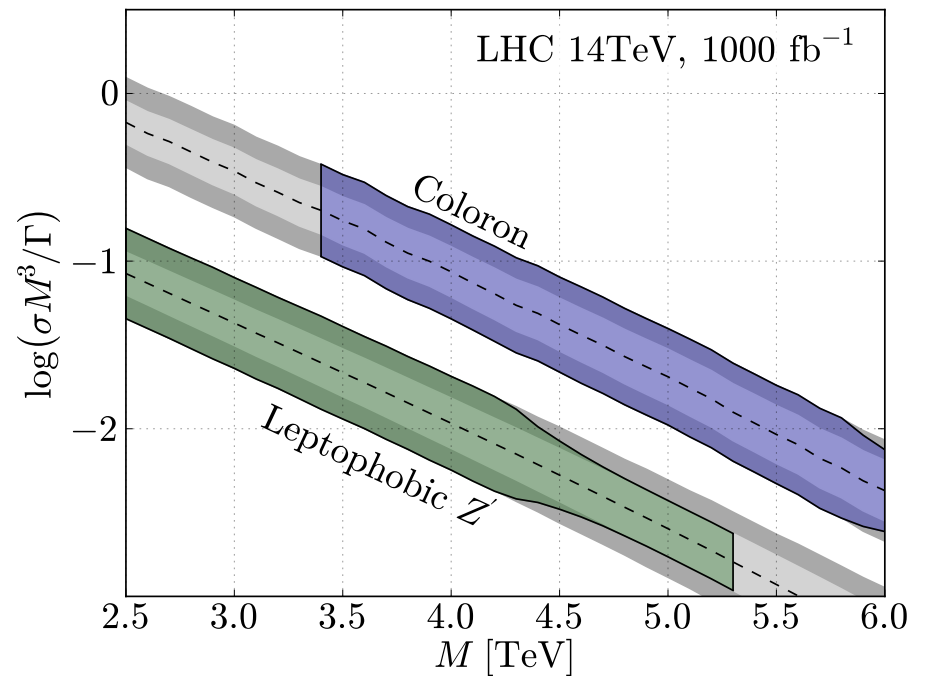
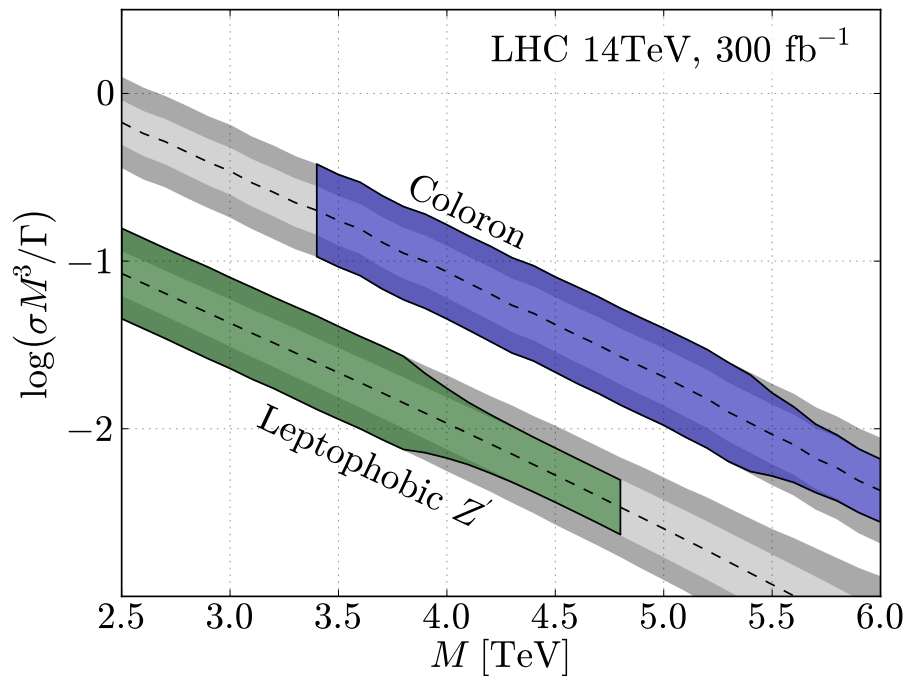
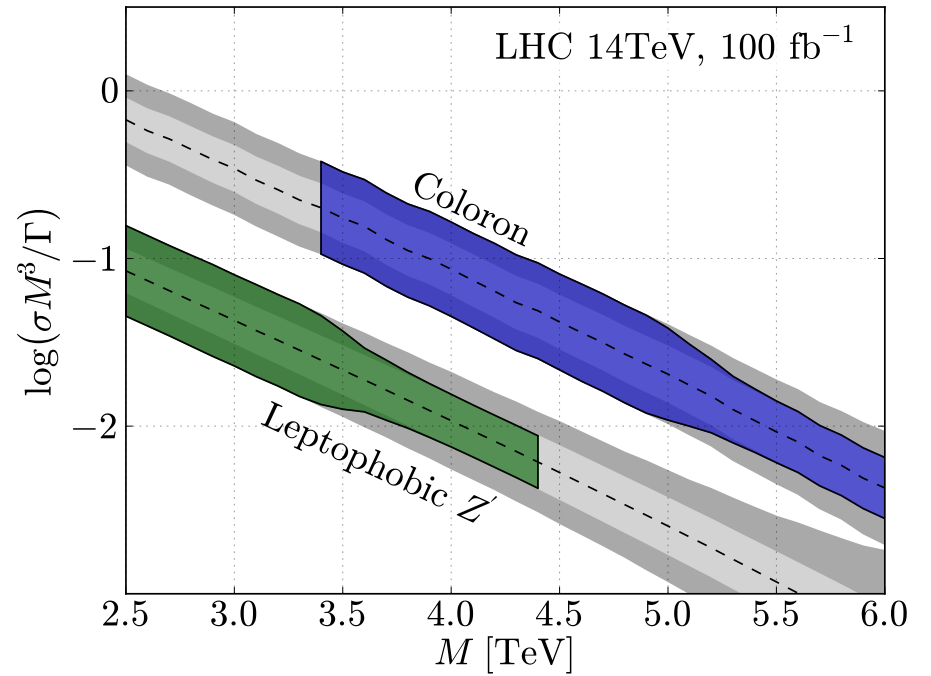
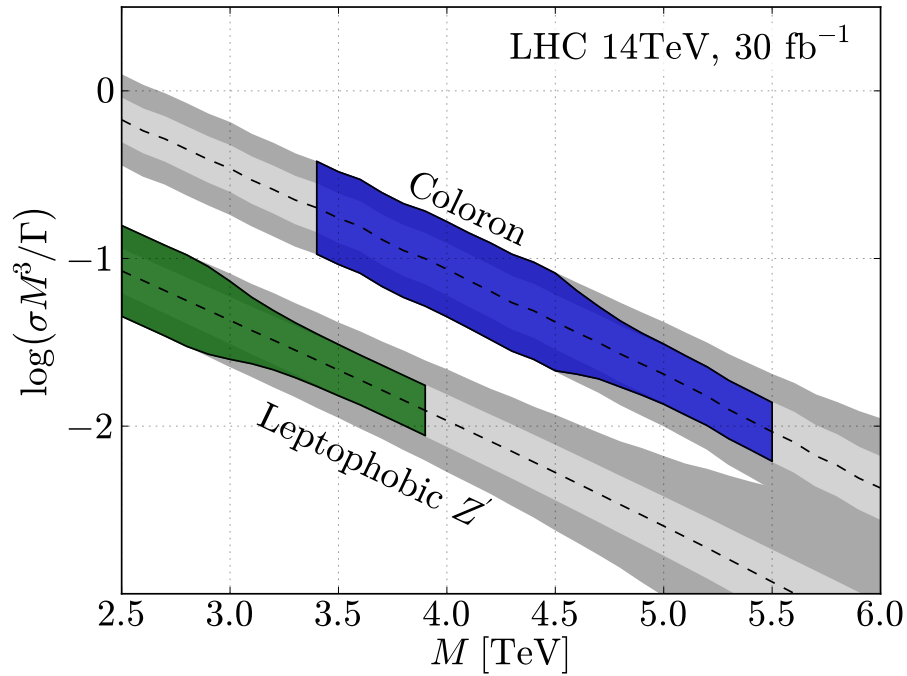
$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow jj) = \frac{1 \Gamma_{Z'}}{9 M_{Z'}^3} \Sigma(pp \rightarrow Z') Br(Z' \rightarrow jj)$$

Define a color discriminant variable:  $D_{\text{col}} \equiv \frac{M^3}{\Gamma} \sigma_{jj}$

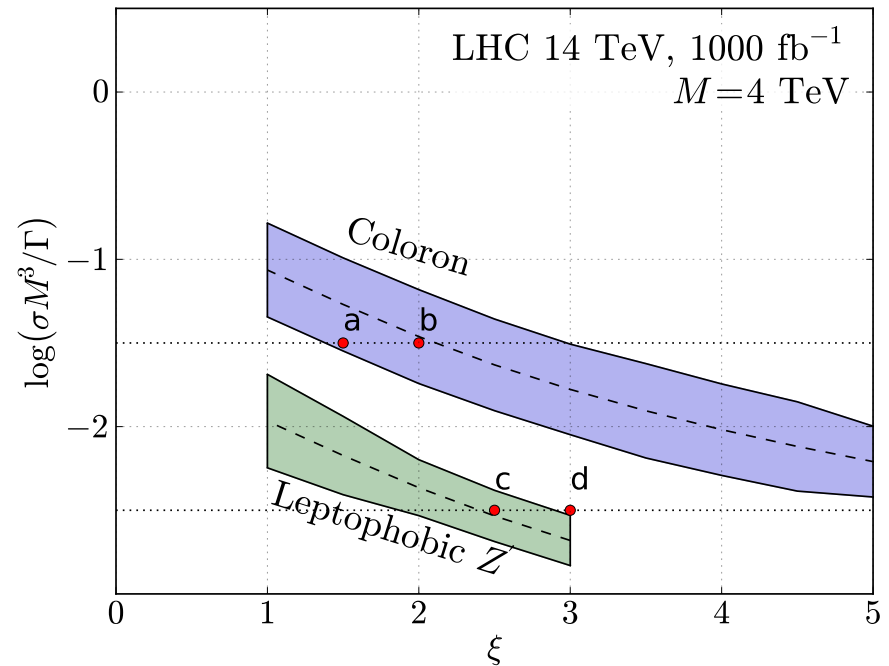
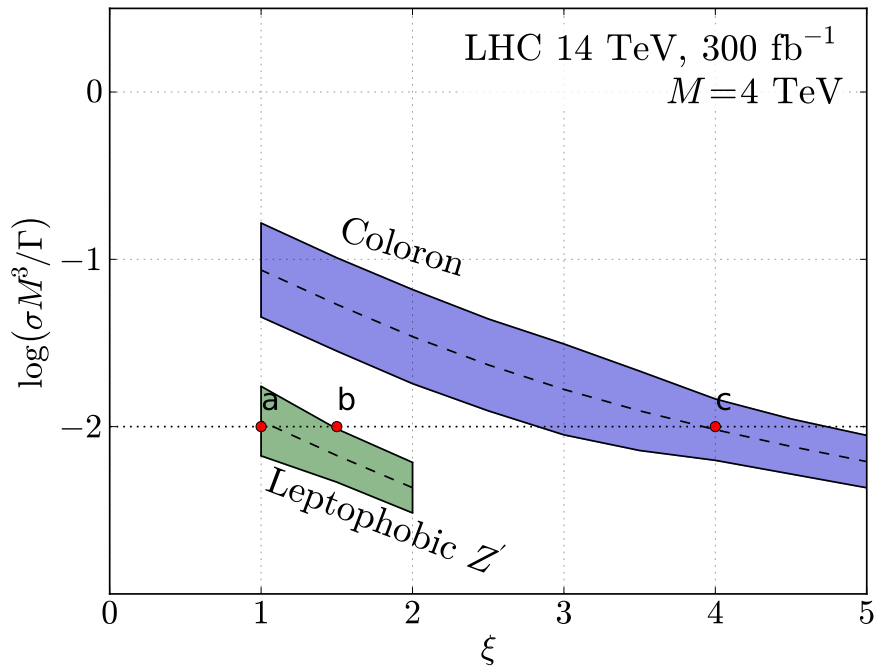
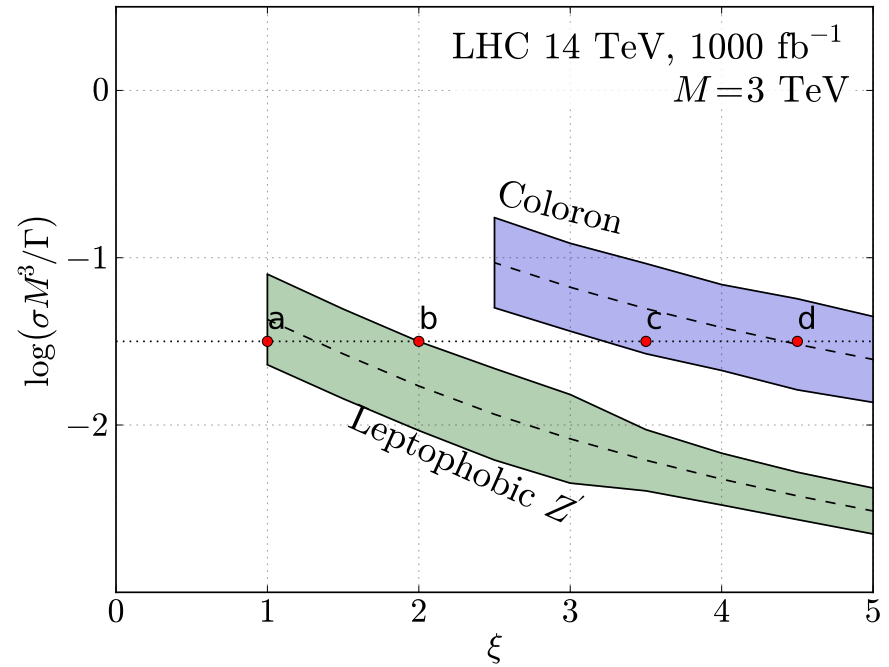
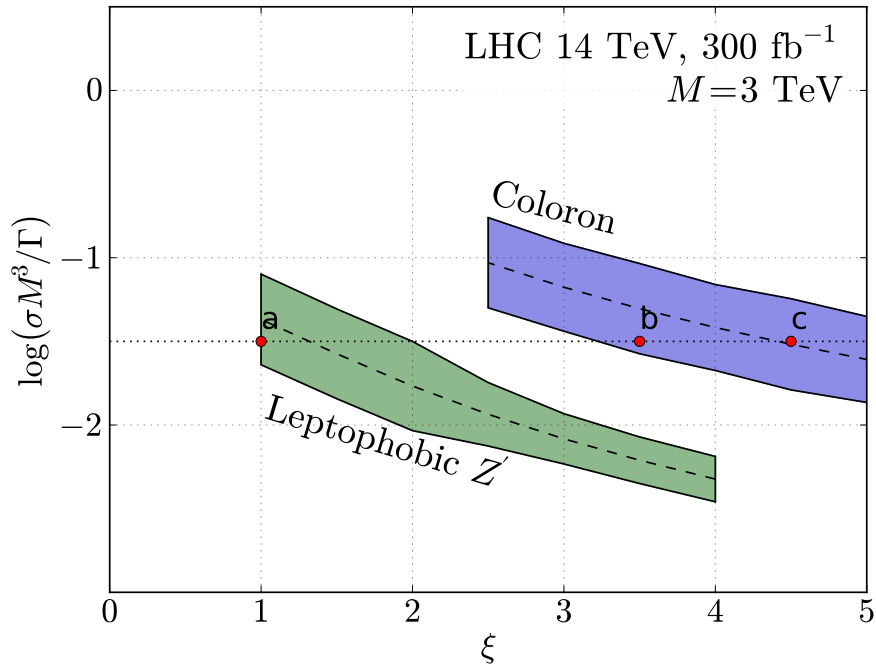
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# COLOR DISCRIMINANT VARIABLE IN ACTION



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BSM Physics may yet lurk  
in the strong interactions!



*LHC can discover & identify colorons,*

- incorporate NLO results for the coloron **K-factor** and  **$p_T$  distribution** into dijet searches
- use associated  **$W+ C^a$  production** to probe coloron's couplings
- use width to distinguish **color structure** of a new dijet resonance

*Additional coloron effects?*

- FCNC: **yes**, if couplings are flavor non-universal
- top-quark asymmetry: for **some** chiral quark charges
- precision EW: **negligible** in  $\Delta\rho$  ,  $Zb\bar{b}$

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## Related Talks in this Conference:

- *A Flavorful Coloron Model*  
(Sekhar Chivukula)
- *Signatures of Pair-produced Massive Colored Bosons*  
(Yang Bai)
- *Top-quark  $F$ - $B$  asymmetry and new strong interactions*  
(Alexander Kagan)