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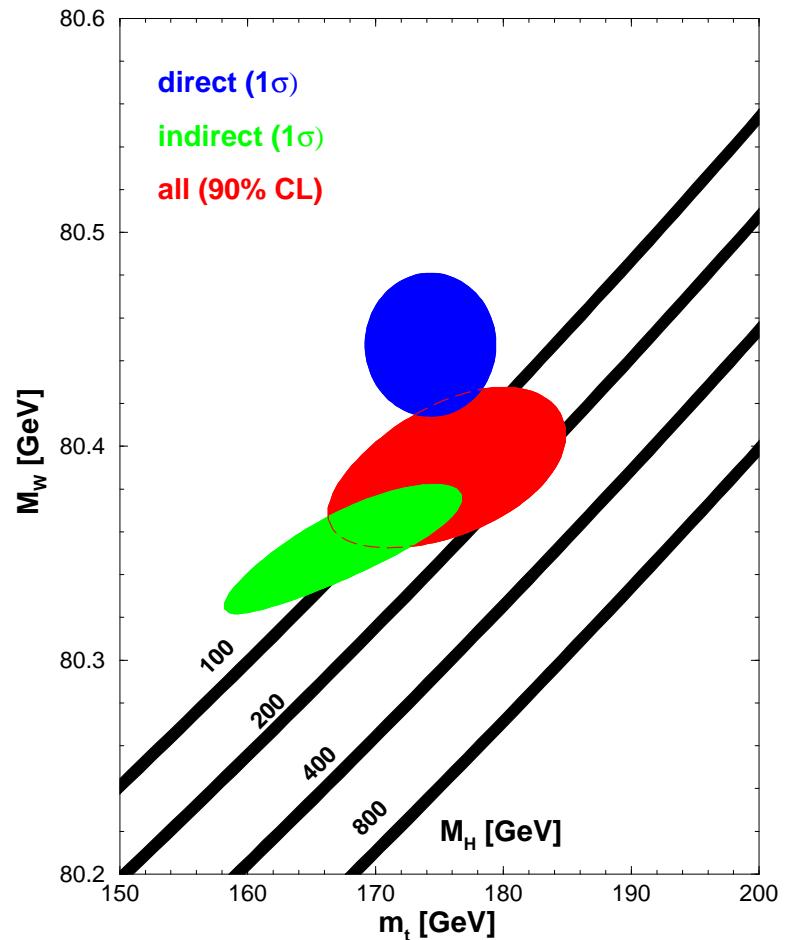
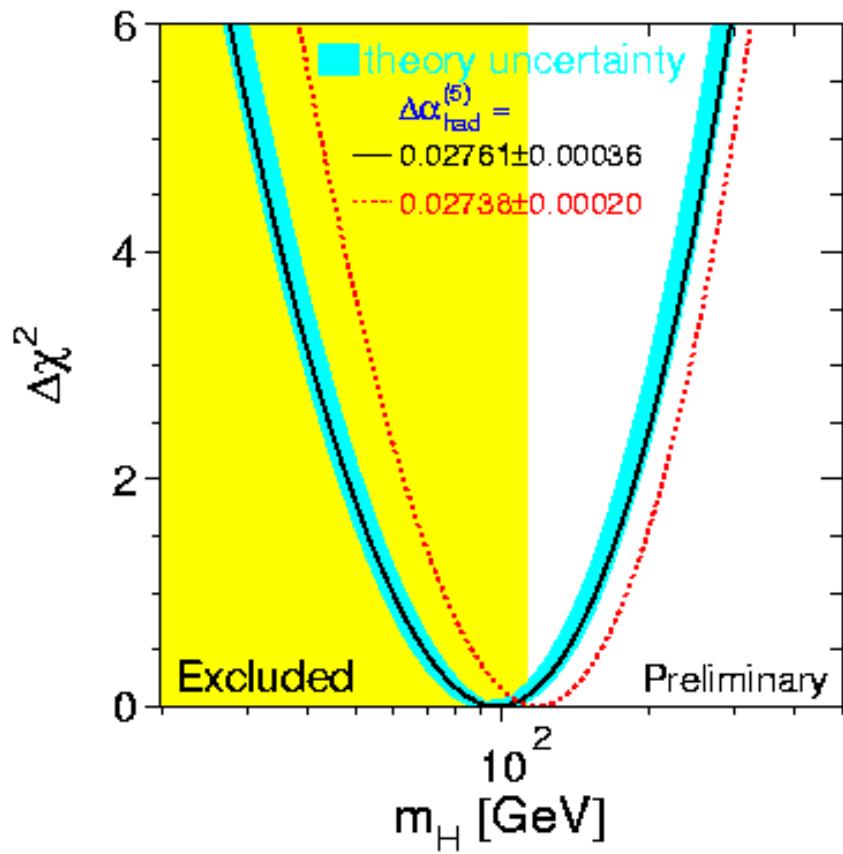
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*TH, H. Logan, B. McElrath, and L. Wang: hep-ph/0301040 (PRD), hep-ph/0302188 (PLB)

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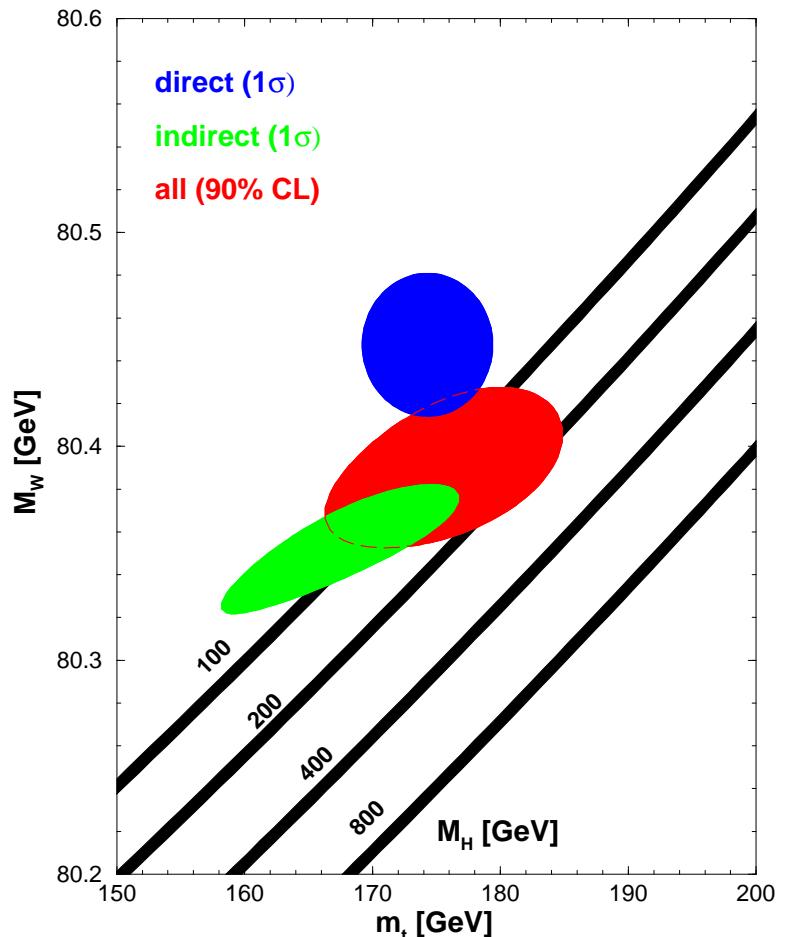
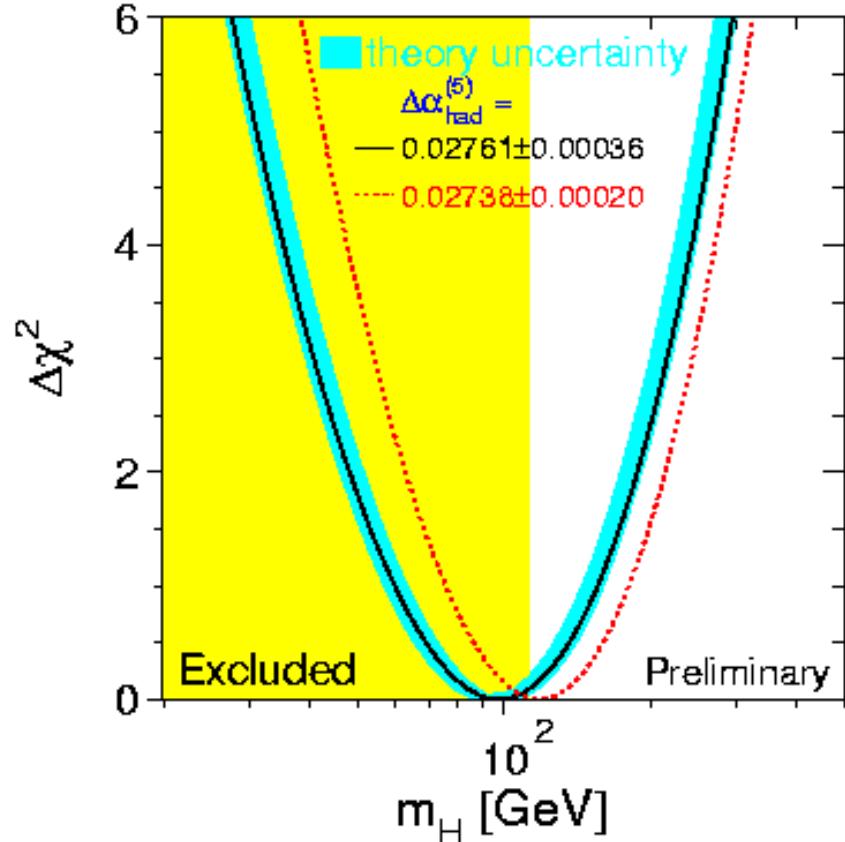
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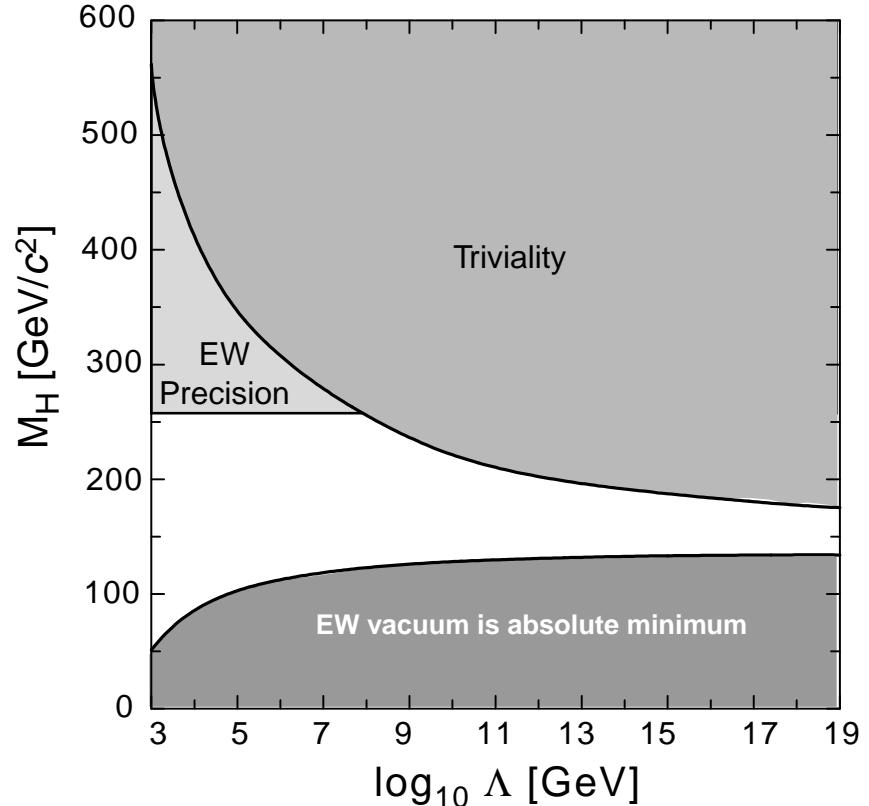
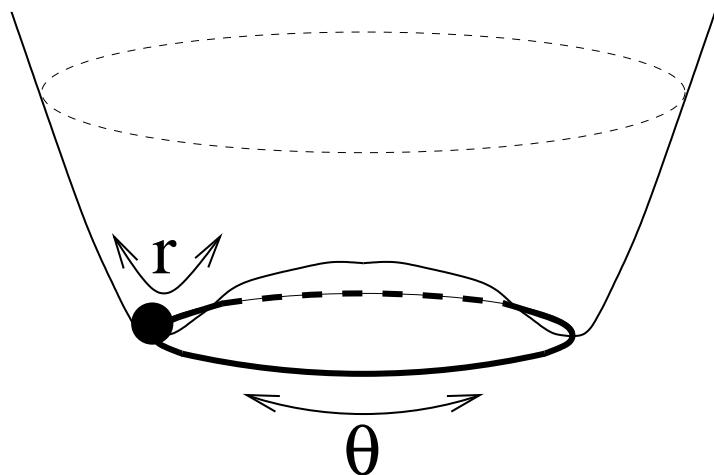
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*LEP-EW; Hagiwara et al., PDG, 2002; J.Erler [hep-ph/0212272](#).

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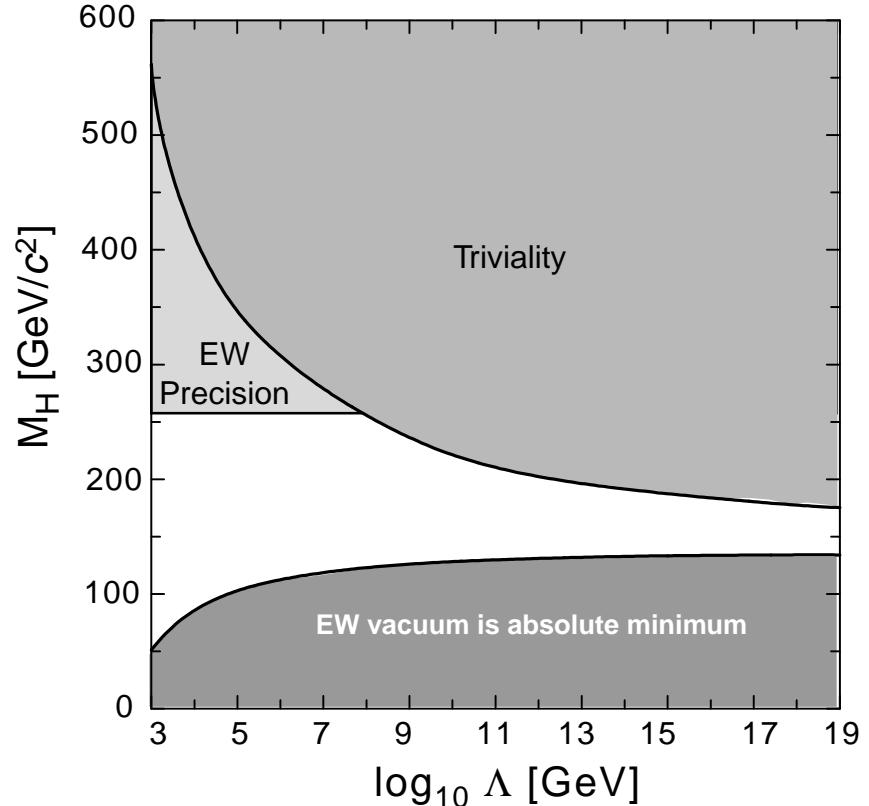
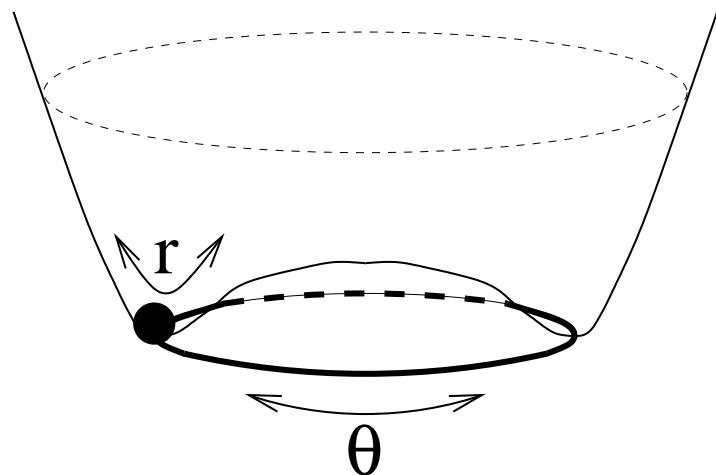
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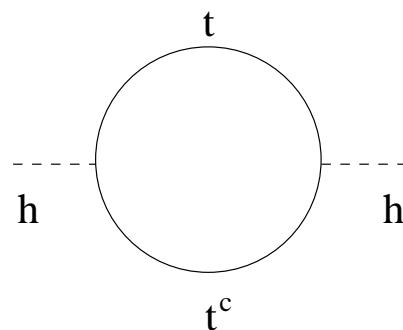


SM with a light H could be an effective theory to $\Lambda \sim M_{pl}$.

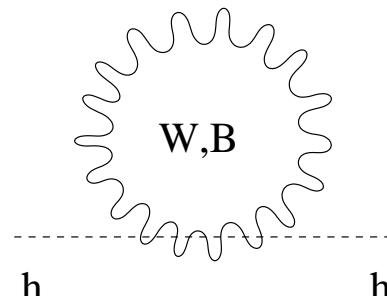
a stable vacuum; non-trivial interactions; renormalizability ...

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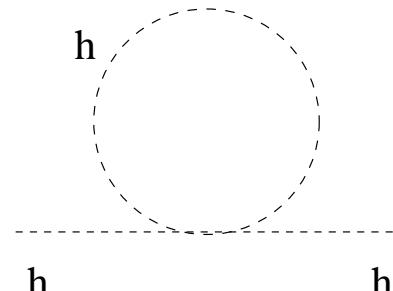
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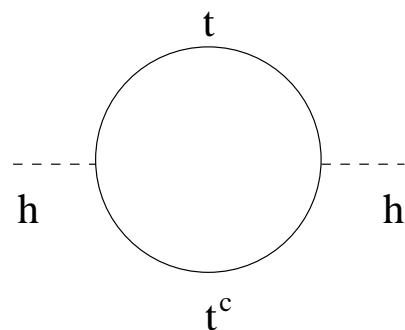
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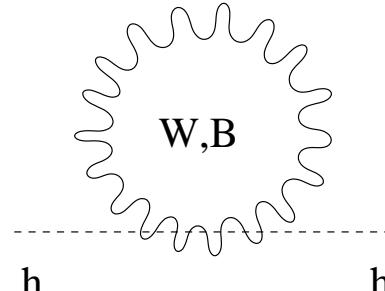
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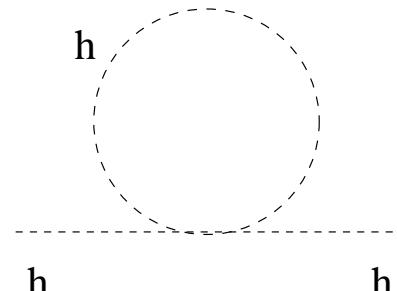
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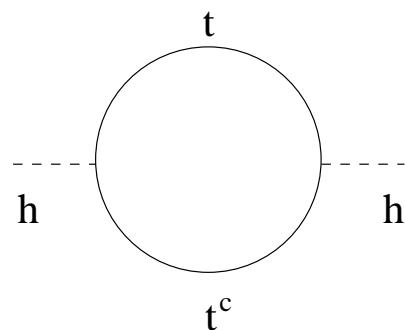


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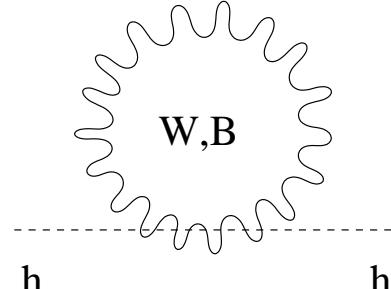
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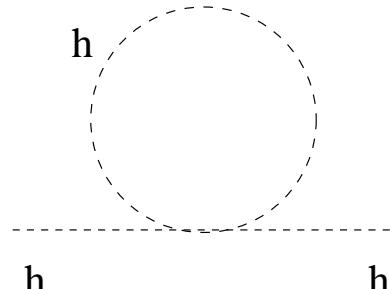
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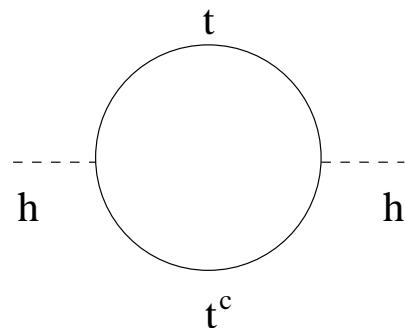
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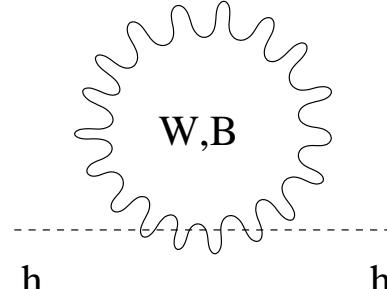
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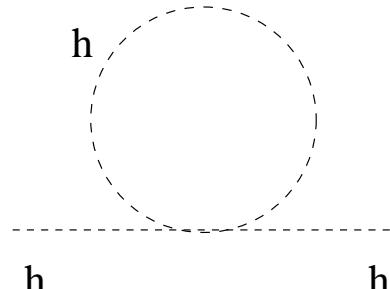
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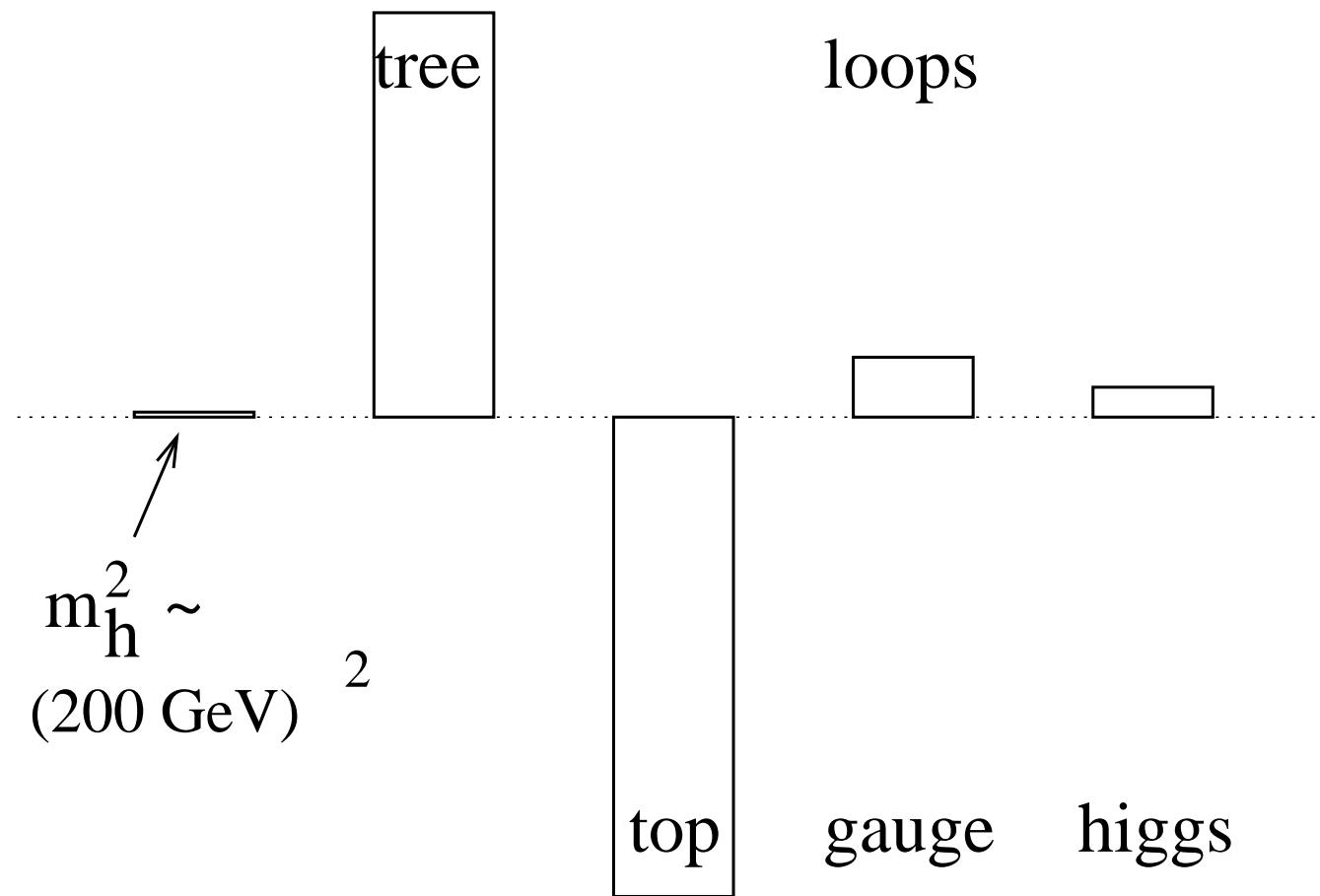


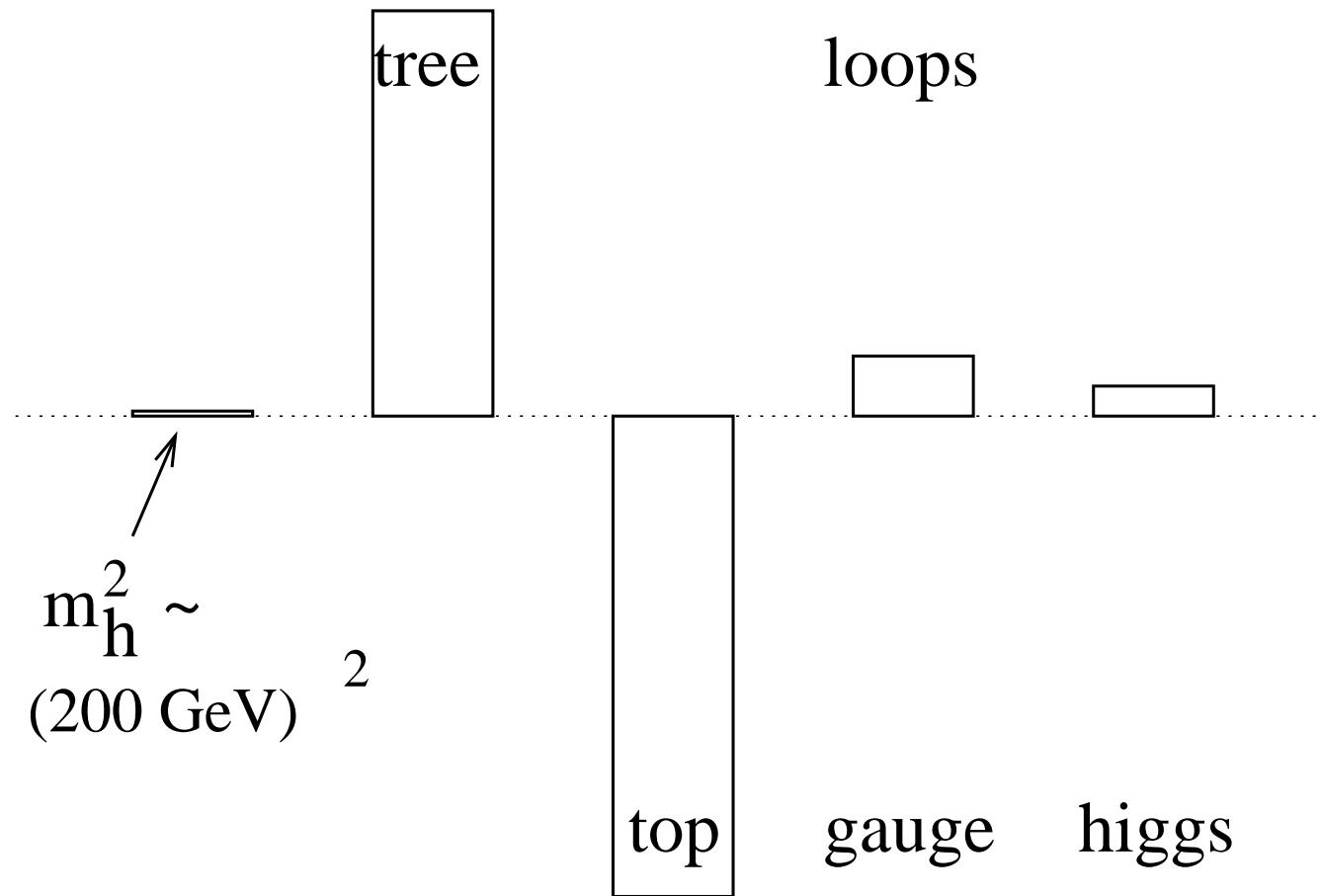
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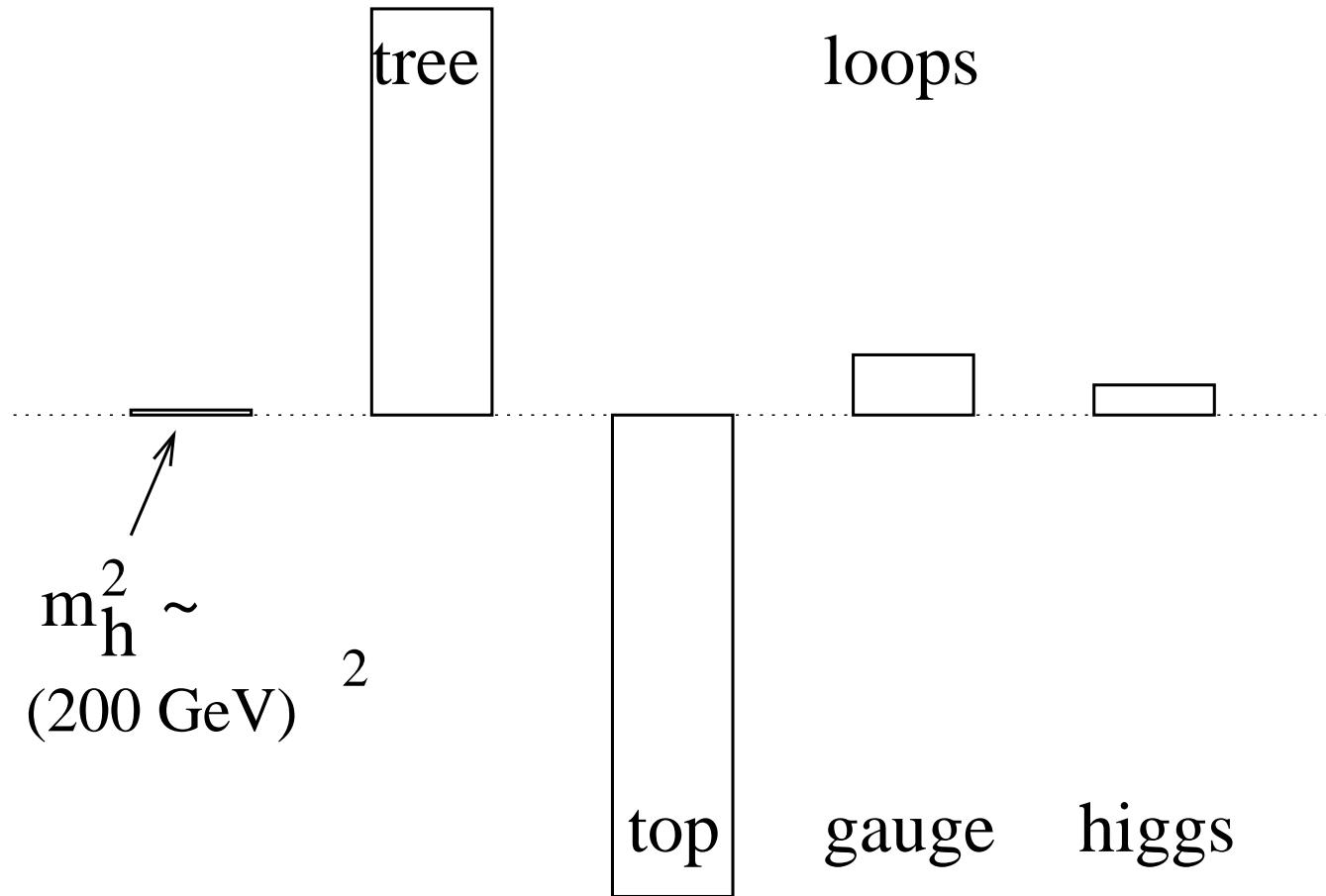
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Naturalness requirement: less than 90% cancellation on m_H^2

$$\Lambda_t \lesssim 3 \text{ TeV} \quad \Lambda_W \lesssim 9 \text{ TeV} \quad \Lambda_H \lesssim 12 \text{ TeV}$$

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Weak scale SUSY is natural if $M_{SUSY} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ TeV.

⇒ predict TeV scale new physics.

The Little Higgs idea

- Higgs is a pseudo-Goldstone boson from global symmetry breaking (at scale $4\pi f$)[‡]
- Higgs acquires a mass radiatively at the EW scale v (by collective breaking)
- Quadratic divergences cancelled at one-loop level by new states:^{*}

$$W, Z, B \leftrightarrow W_H, Z_H, B_H; \quad t \leftrightarrow T; \quad H \leftrightarrow \Phi.$$

(cancellation among same spin states!)

An alternative way to keep H light (naturally)

[‡]Dimopoulos, Preskill, 1982; H.Georgi, D.B.Kaplan, 1984; T. Banks, 1984.

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A subgroup is gauged:

$$G_1 \otimes G_2 = [SU(2) \otimes U(1)]_1 \otimes [SU(2) \otimes U(1)]_2$$

with the co-variant derivative

$$\mathcal{D}_\mu \Sigma = \partial_\mu \Sigma - i \sum_{j=1}^2 \left[g_j W_j^a (Q_j^a \Sigma + \Sigma Q_j^{a\top}) + g'_j B_j (Y_j \Sigma + \Sigma Y_j^\top) \right]$$

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The h, ϕ are parameterized by

$$\Pi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & h^\dagger/\sqrt{2} & \phi^\dagger \\ h/\sqrt{2} & 0 & h^*/\sqrt{2} \\ \phi & h^\top/\sqrt{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad h = (h^+, h^0), \quad \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{++} & \phi^+/\sqrt{2} \\ \phi^+/\sqrt{2} & \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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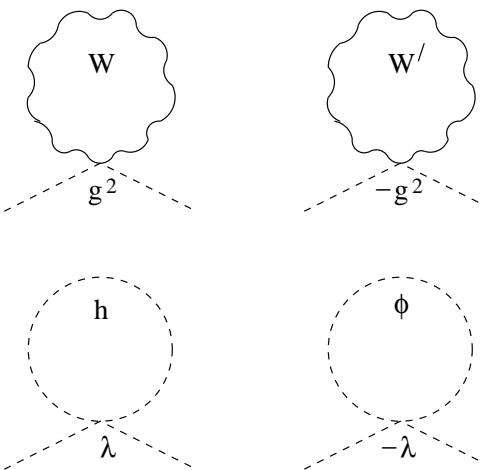
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The global symmetry ensures the new gauge bosons couple with $-g_i^2$!



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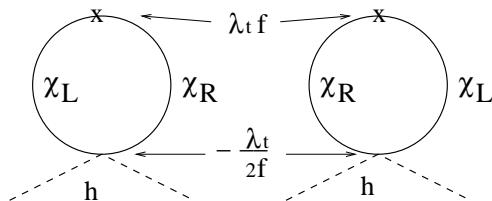
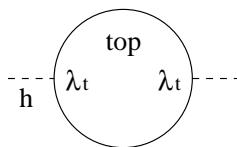
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$$-i\lambda_1 (\sqrt{2}h^0 t_3 + i f \tilde{t} - i h^0 h^{0*} \tilde{t}/f) u'_3 + \text{h.c.}$$



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Naturalness

If we require no more than 10% fine-tuning, then

$$f \leq \frac{4\pi m_h}{\sqrt{0.1 a_{\max}}} \simeq \frac{8 \text{ TeV}}{\sqrt{a_{\max}}} \left(\frac{m_h}{200 \text{ GeV}} \right),$$

where a_{\max} is the larger of the 1-loop and 2-loop contributions.

Independent model parameters

$\tan \theta = \frac{s}{c} = \frac{g_2}{g_1}$	New $SU(2)$ gauge coupling (or equivalently mixing angle θ)
$\tan \theta' = \frac{s'}{c'} = \frac{g'_2}{g'_1}$	New $U(1)$ gauge coupling (or equivalently mixing angle θ')
f	Symmetry breaking scale $\mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$
v'	Triplet ϕ vacuum expectation value, $v'/v \lesssim v/4f$
m_H	Regular SM Higgs mass
M_T	Heavy vector top mass, we trade λ_2 for M_T

New heavy masses in LH:

Heavy particles

A_H

Mass

$$m_z^2 s_W^2 \frac{f^2}{5s'^2 c'^2 v^2}$$

Z_H

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W_H

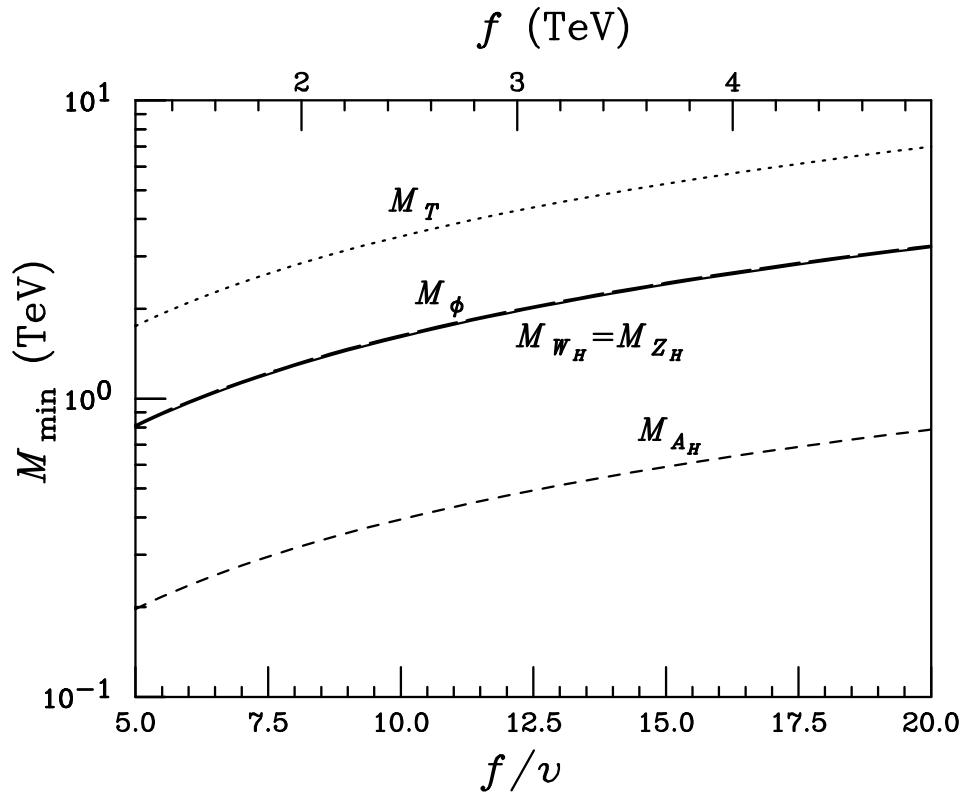
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$\phi^0, \pm, \pm\pm$

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T

$$\sqrt{\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2} f$$



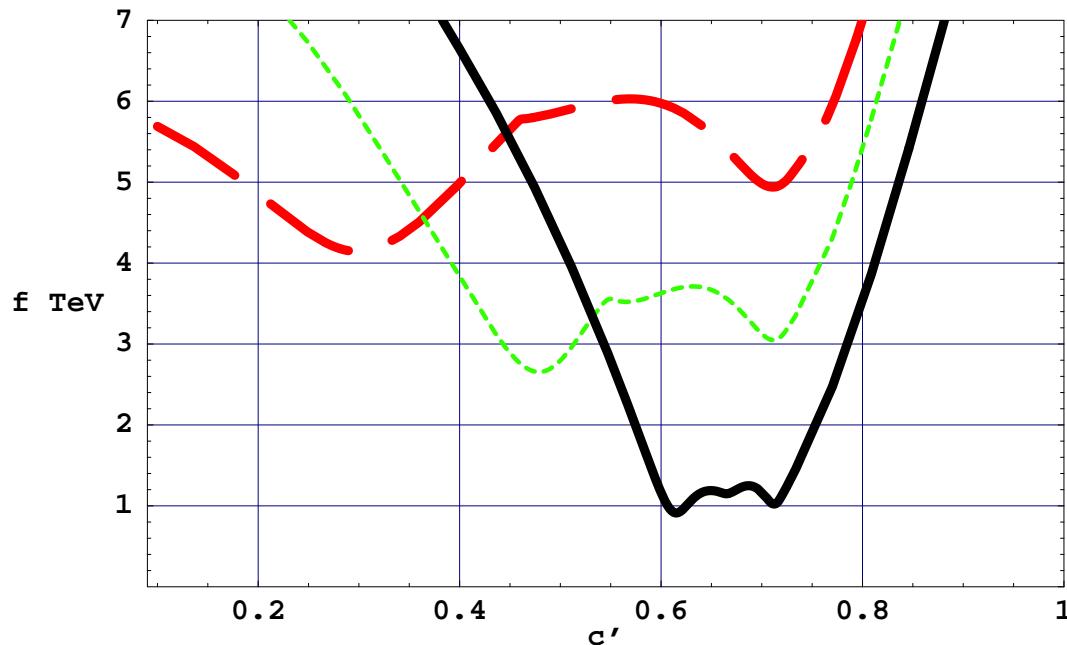
where $m_W = gv/2$.

Electroweak Precision Constraints

- Both $U(1)$'s violate the custodial $SU(2)$ symmetry

$$\frac{M_{W_L^\pm}^2}{M_{Z_L}^2} = c_W^2 \left[1 + \frac{v^2}{f^2} \frac{5}{4} (c'^2 - s'^2)^2 - 4 \frac{v'^2}{v^2} \right].$$

- Csaki *et al.*, [hep-ph/0211124, 0303236]; Hewett *et al.*, [hep-ph/0211218]. They found, generically, $f > 3 - 4$ TeV at 95% CL.
- For certain choices of parameters: $c'^2 \approx s'^2$, $v' \ll v$...



Minimal Flavor Sector

Quark sector is extended due to the heavy T

- u, d, c, s , and b quarks unchanged; mass eigenstates $t - T$ mixing:

$$q_3 = c_L t_L + s_L T_L, \quad \tilde{t} = -s_L t_L + c_L T_L.$$

- The gauge-boson charged currents read:

$$\mathcal{L}_{CC} = g J_\mu^+ (Y_L W_L^\mu + Y_H W_H^\mu) + \text{h.c.},$$

where

$$\sqrt{2} J_\mu^+ = (\bar{u} \ \bar{c} \ \bar{t} \ \bar{T})_L \gamma_\mu \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c_L \\ 0 & 0 & s_L \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} SM \\ 3 \times 3 \\ V_{CKM} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} d \\ s \\ b \end{pmatrix}_L,$$

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Minimal Flavor Sector

Quark sector is extended due to the heavy T

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The 3×3 “CKM” matrix is not unitary anymore: $V_{tb} = c_L V_{tb}^{\text{SM}}$;

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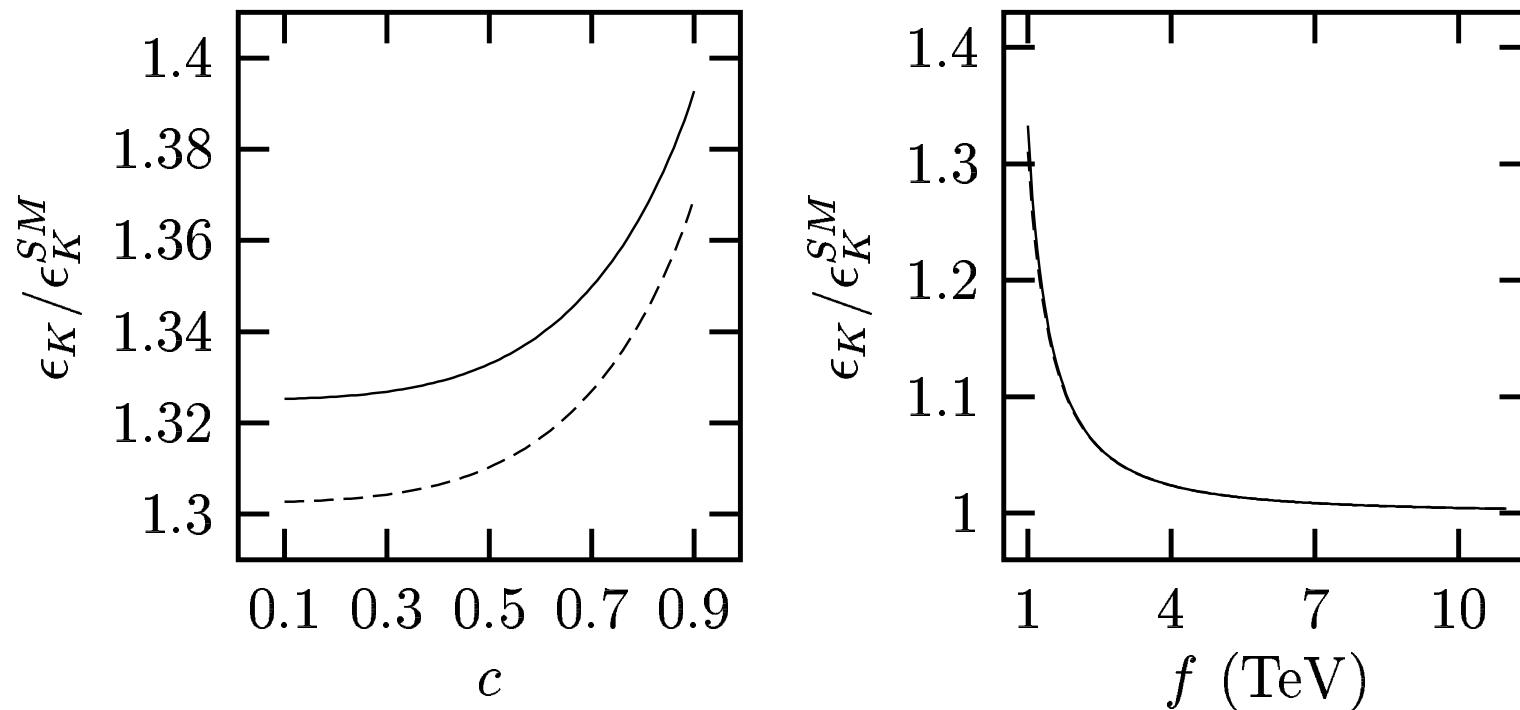
New contribution from W_H proportional to c ;

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New contribution from Φ at $\mathcal{O}(v/f, v'/v)$.

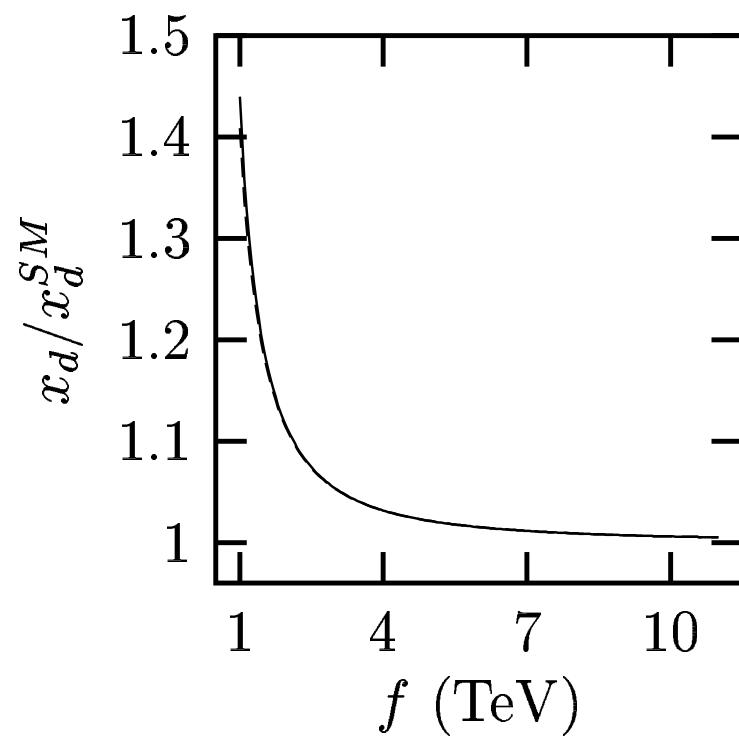
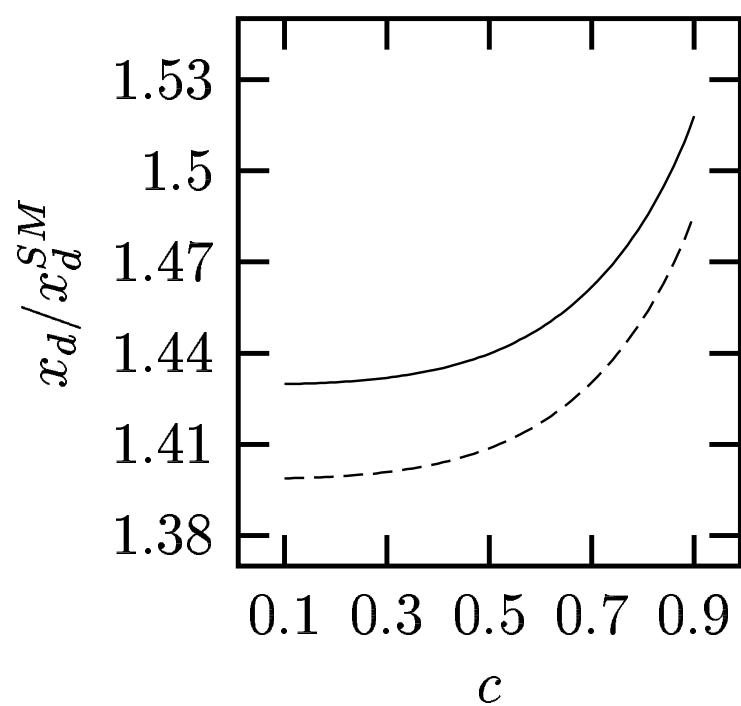
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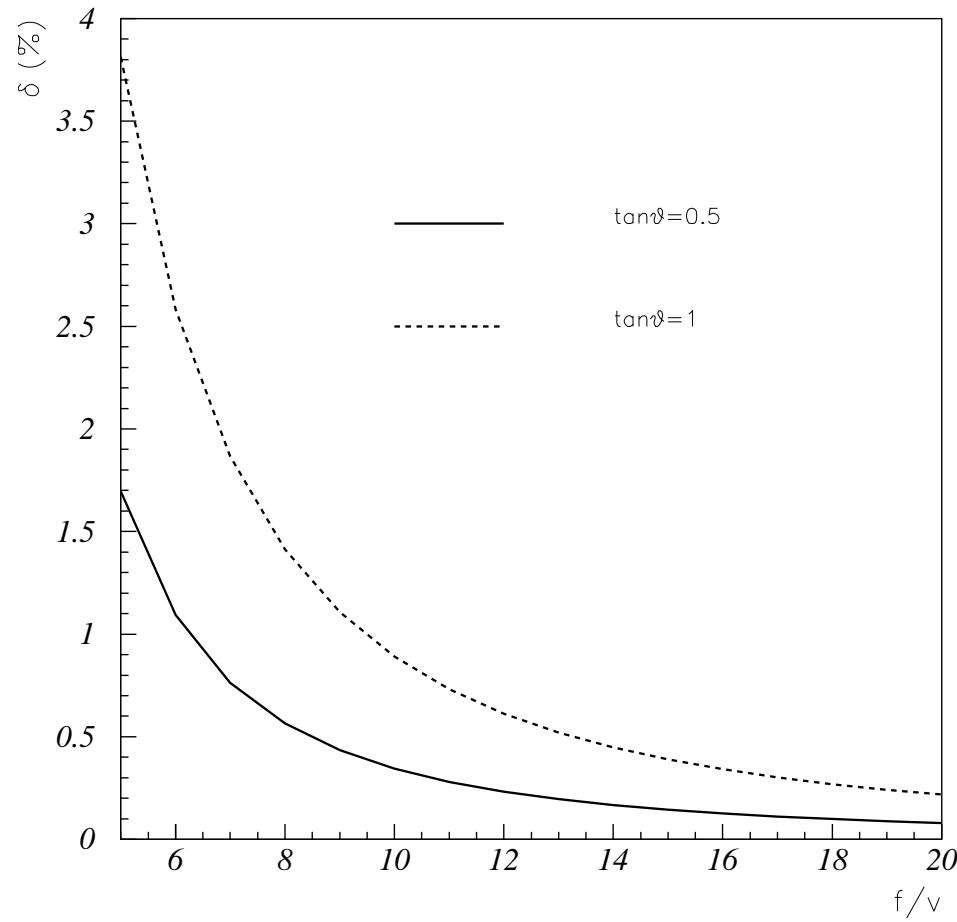
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(Solid and dashed curves for $m_h = 115, 200$ GeV.)

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- Experimentally $|\Delta x_d| \approx \pm 2\%$;
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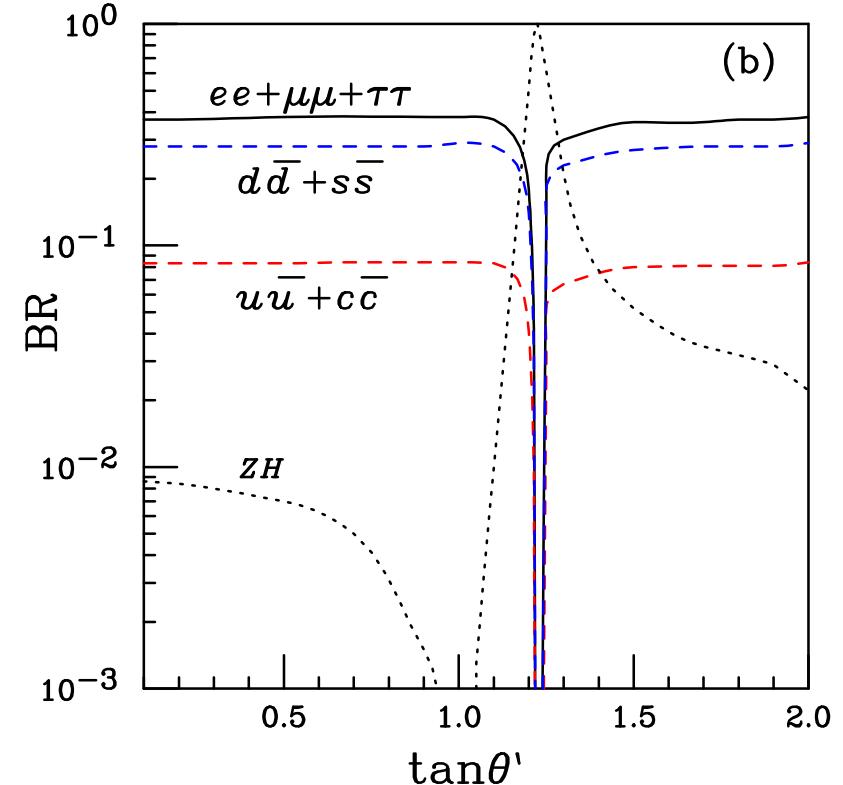
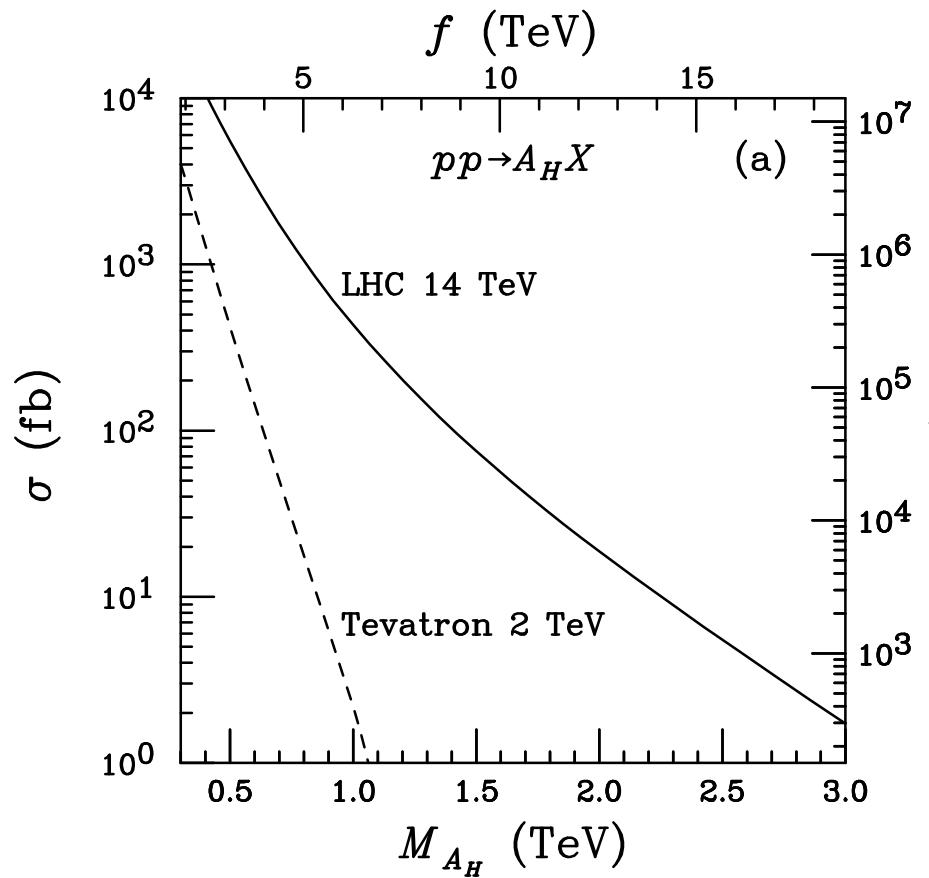


- Theoretically and experimentally $\Delta BR(b \rightarrow s\gamma) \approx \pm 10\%$;
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still too small to put significant constraints.

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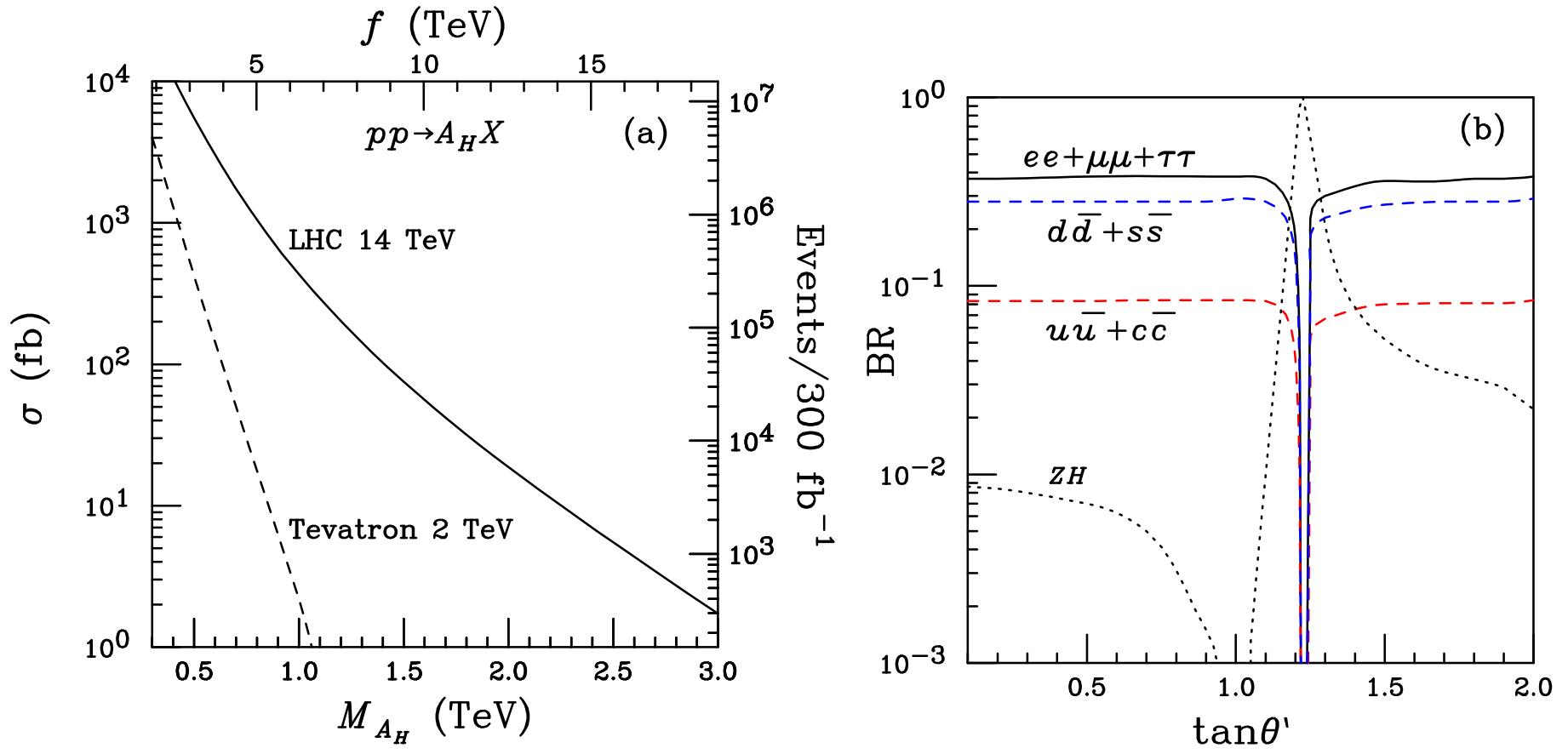
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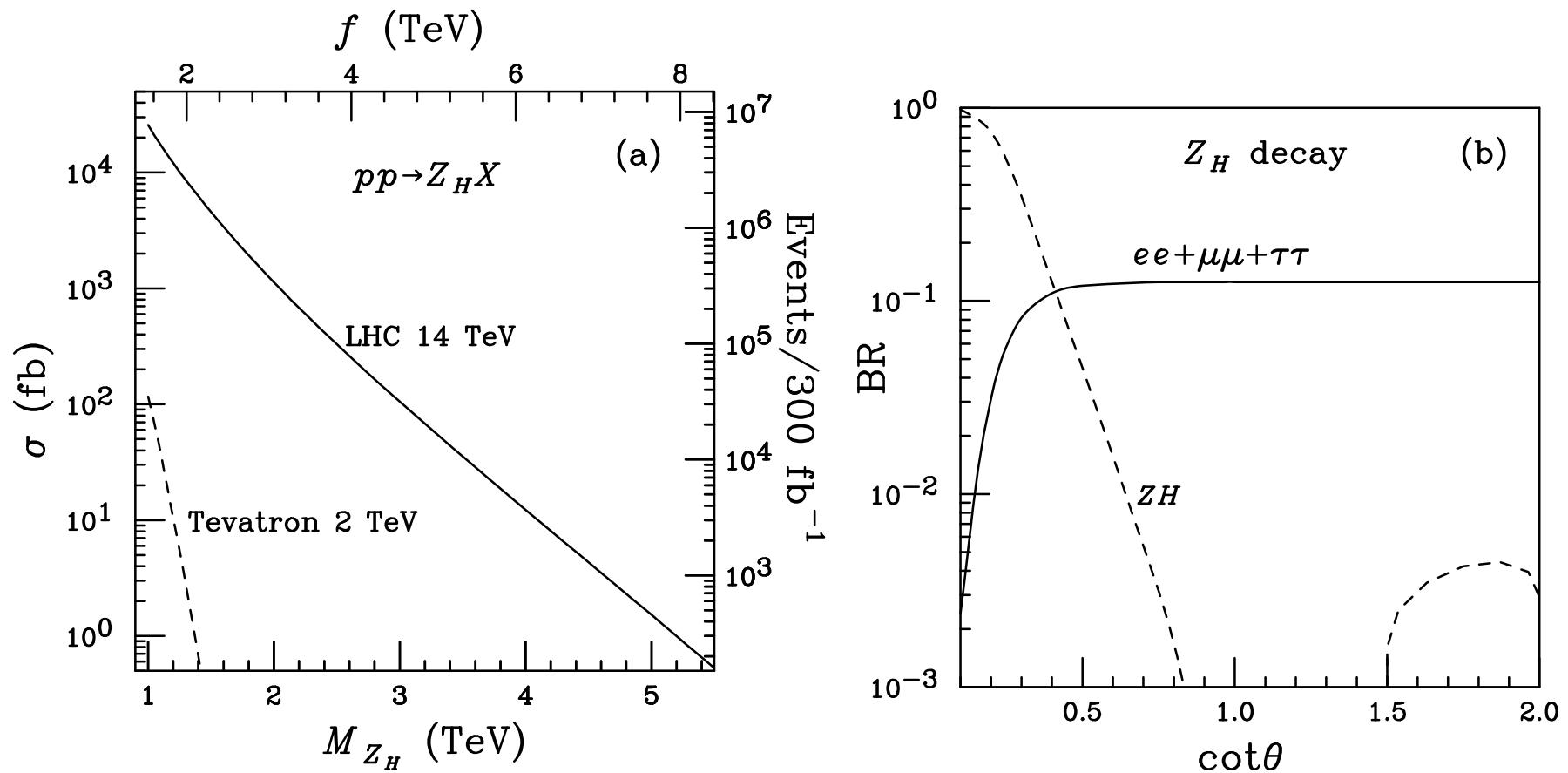
Tevatron: $M_{A_H} > 0.5$ TeV or $f > 3$ TeV;*

LHC: $M_{A_H} \sim 3$ TeV or $f \sim 18$ TeV.

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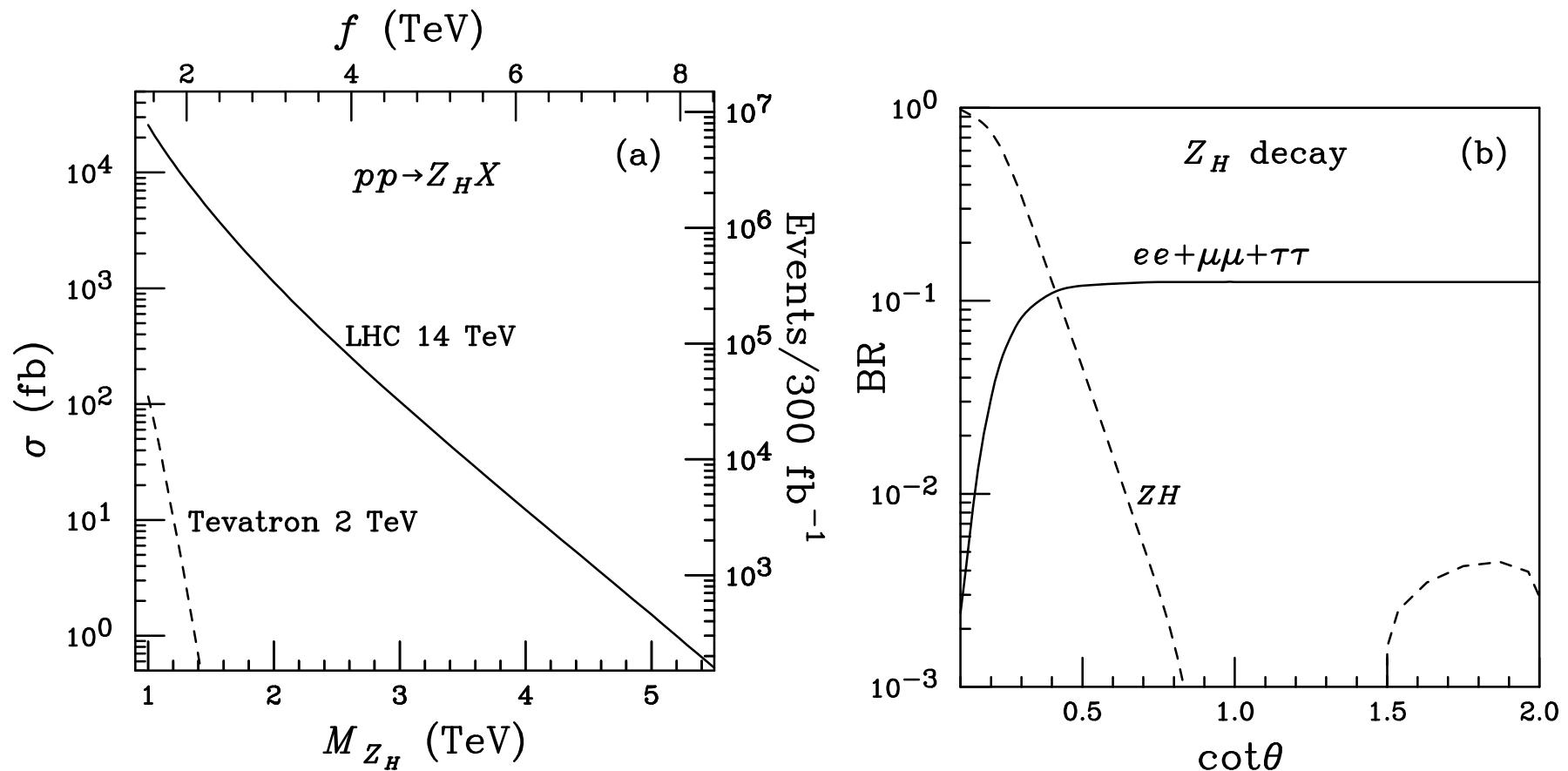
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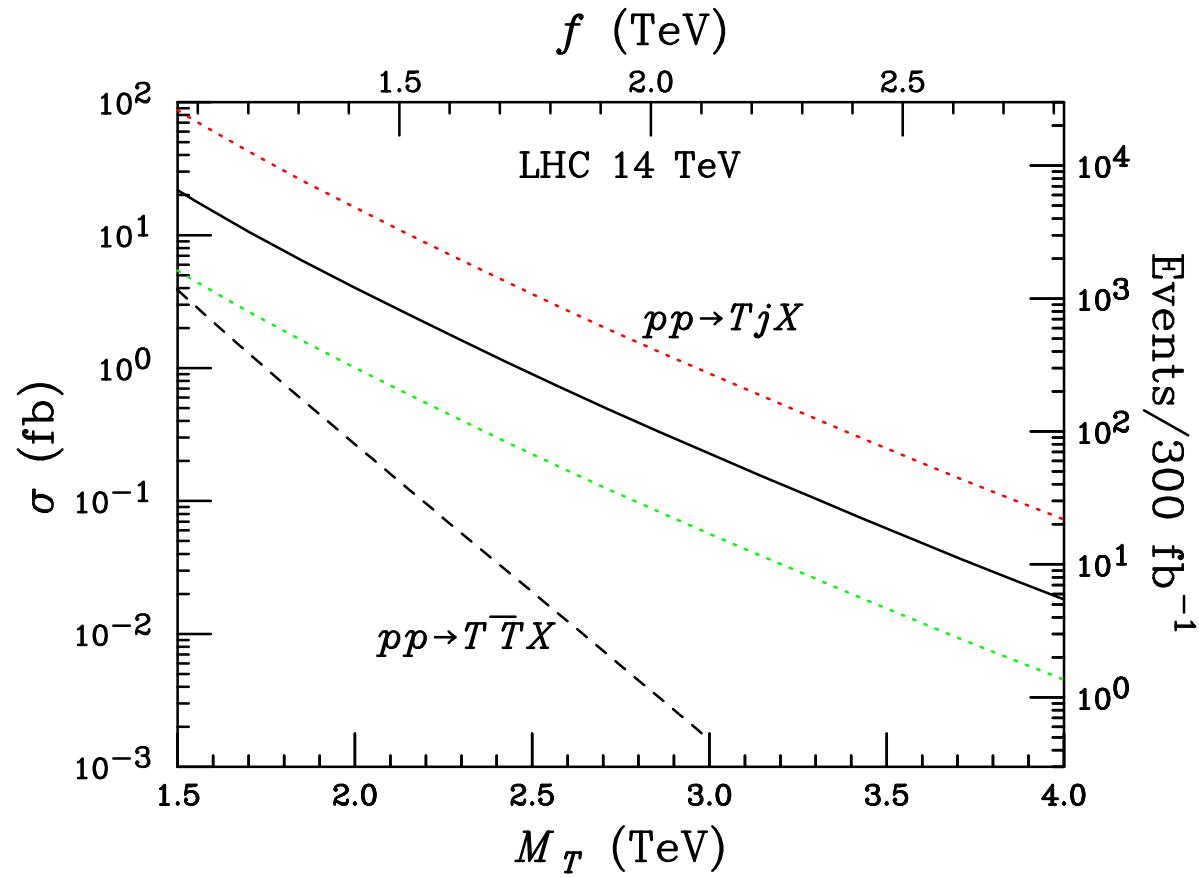
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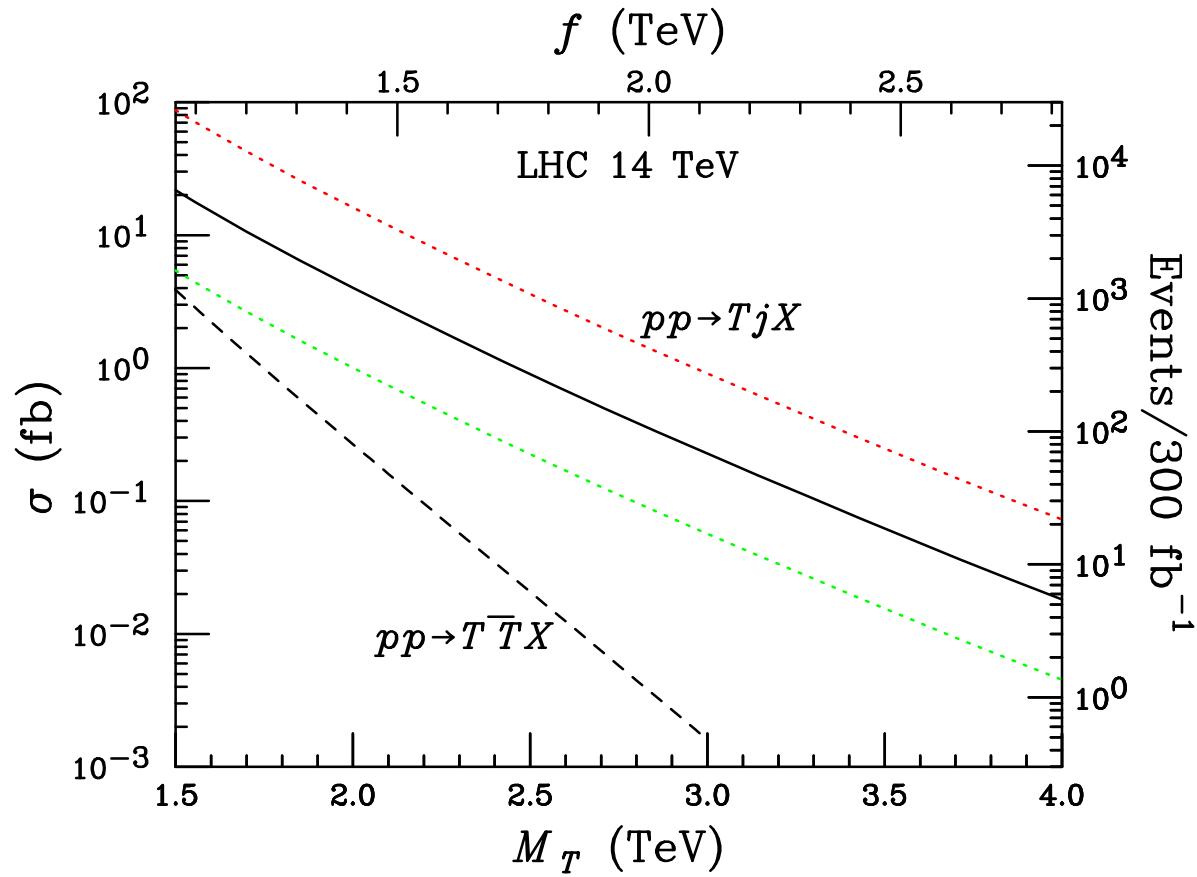
Tevatron: not quite accessible;
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