

Triboson production in the SMEFT

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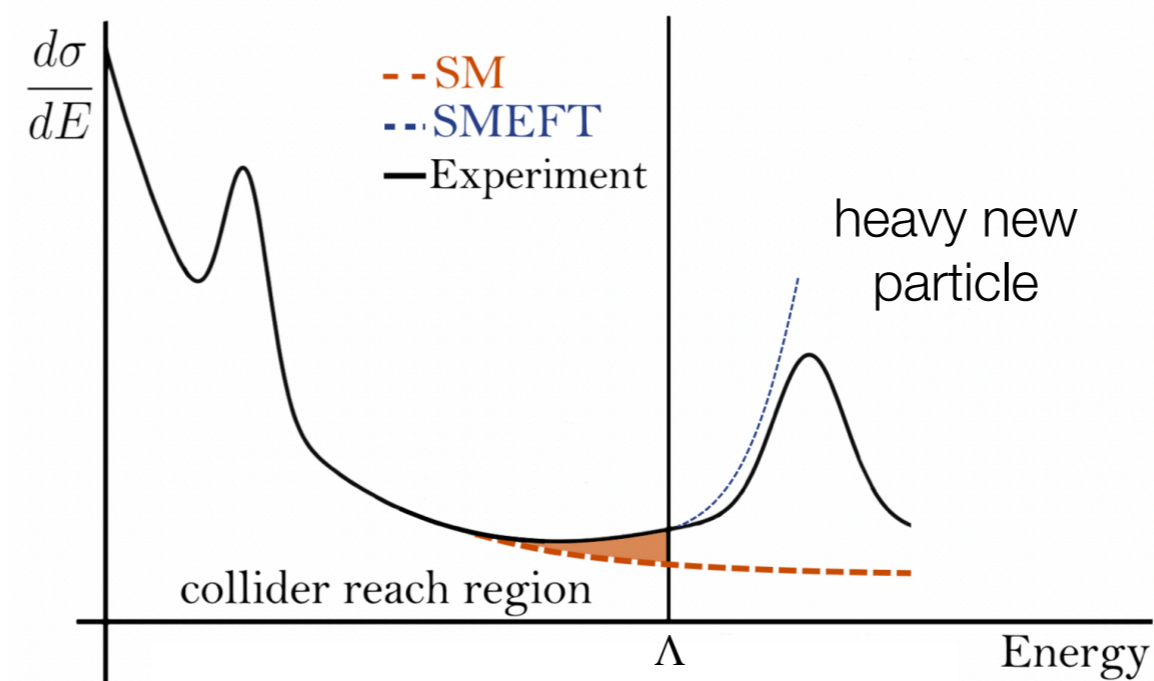
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The SMEFT



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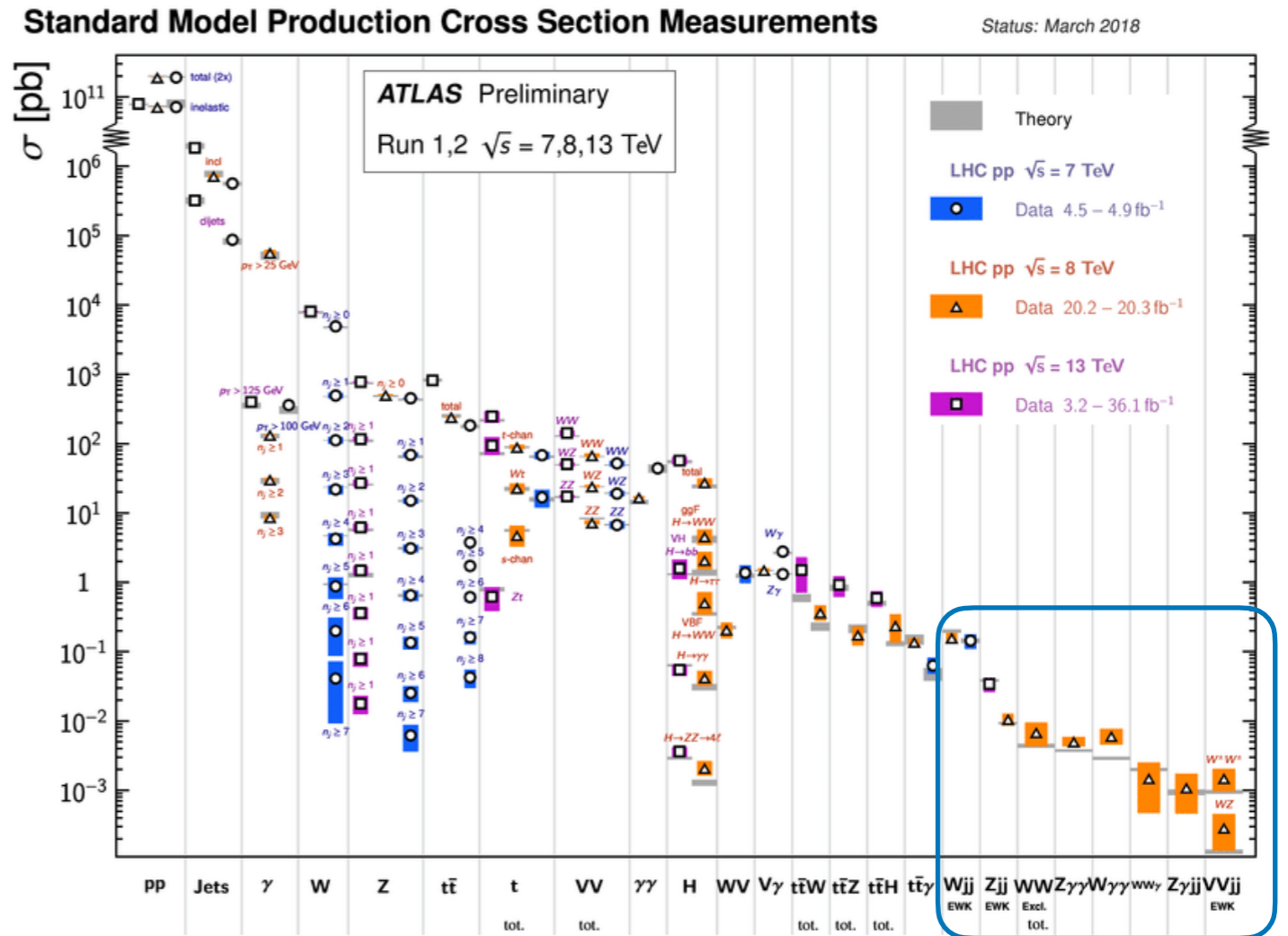
Dimension-6 operators Warsaw basis

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{c_i^{(6)}}{\Lambda^2} O_i^{(6)} + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-3})$$

$$\sigma \sim |\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \left(\sum c^{(6)} 2\text{Re}[\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{EFT}}^{(6)}] \right) + \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \left(\sum c^{(6)} \mathcal{M}_{\text{EFT}}^{(6)} \right)^2$$

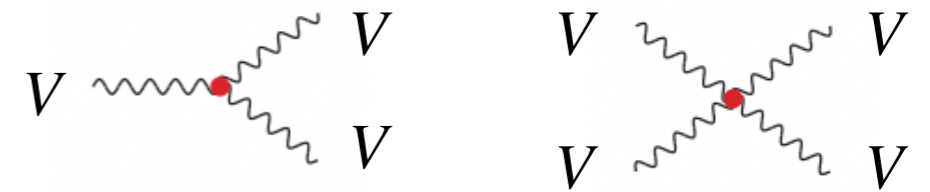
Triboson production at the LHC

- Triboson have small cross sections, only accessible with LHC run 2 (total rates, mainly fully leptonic)

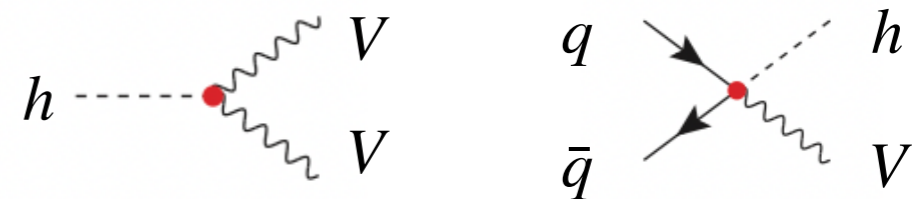


Why triboson?

- Tree-level access to TGC and QGC
- Interplay with the Higgs sector



[Bellan et al.; JHEP 08 (2023) 158]



[Falkowski et al.; JHEP 04 (2021) 023]

EW operators in Warsaw basis

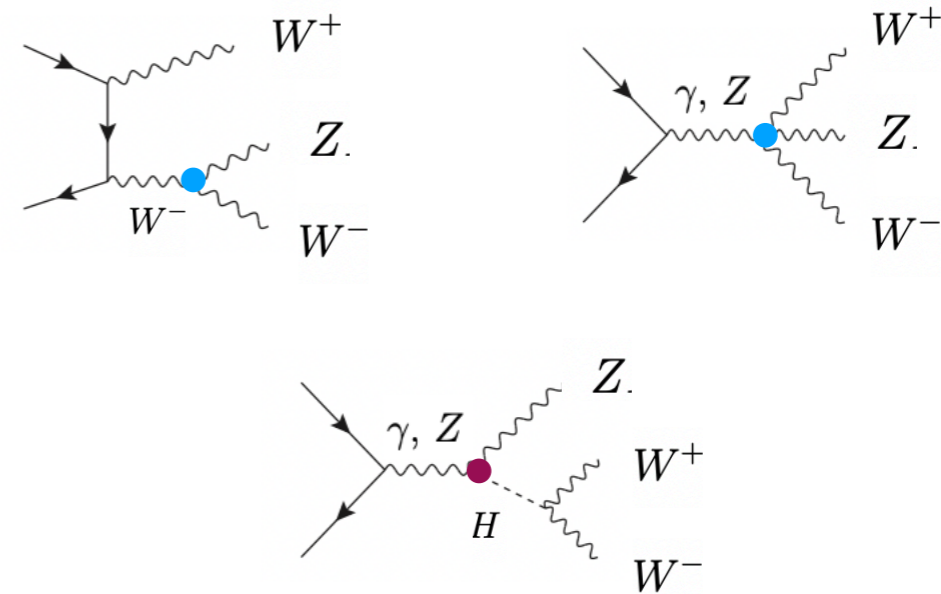
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- Subset of 11 EW&Higgs operators
- flavour universality, $U(3)^5$

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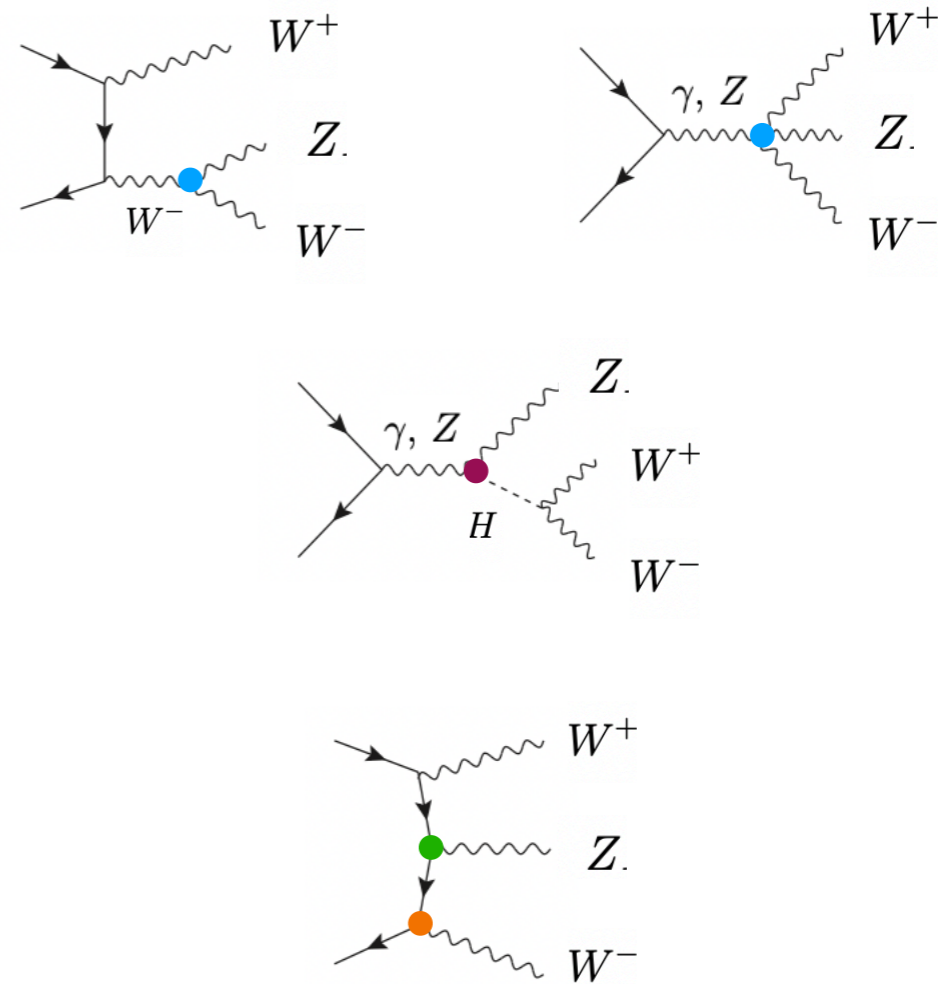
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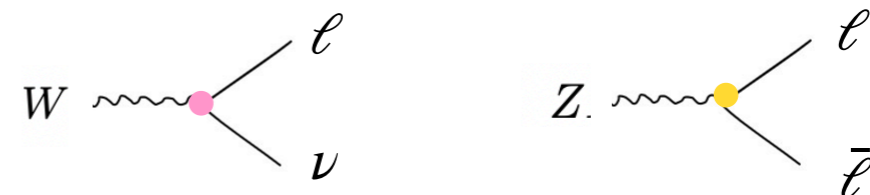
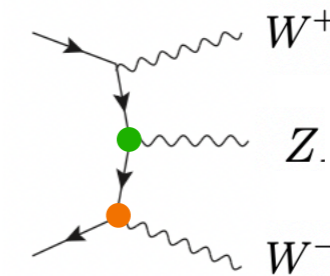
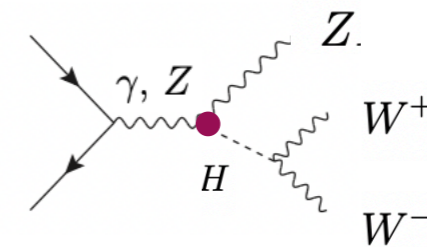
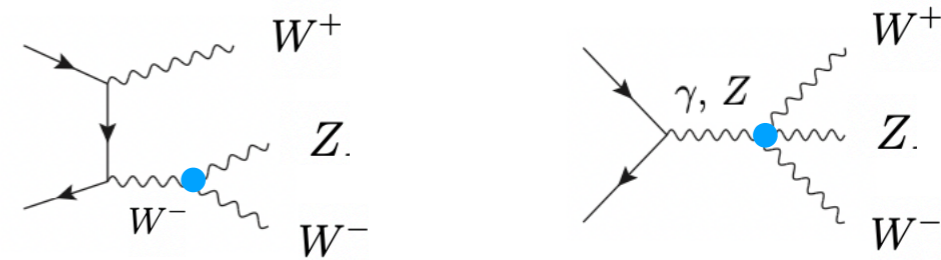
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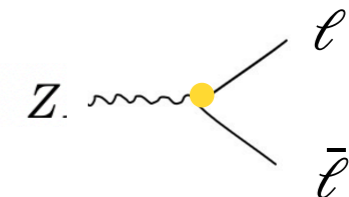
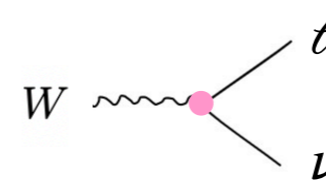
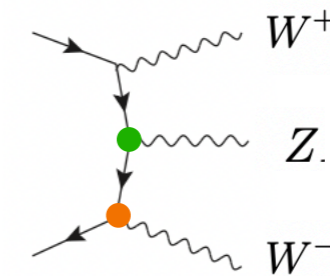
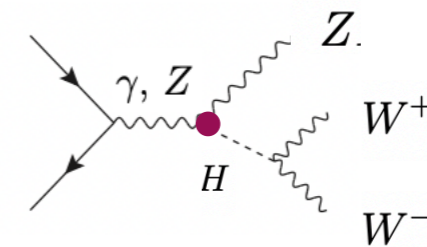
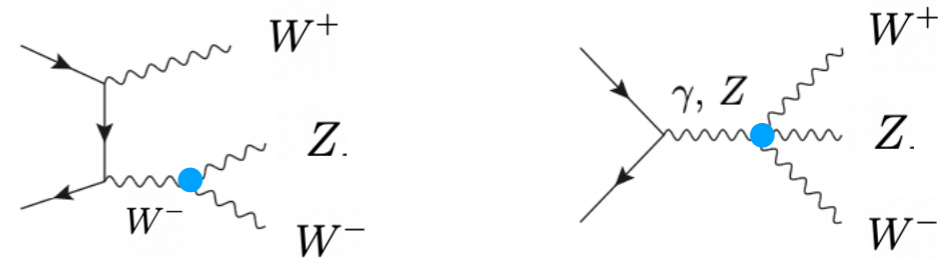
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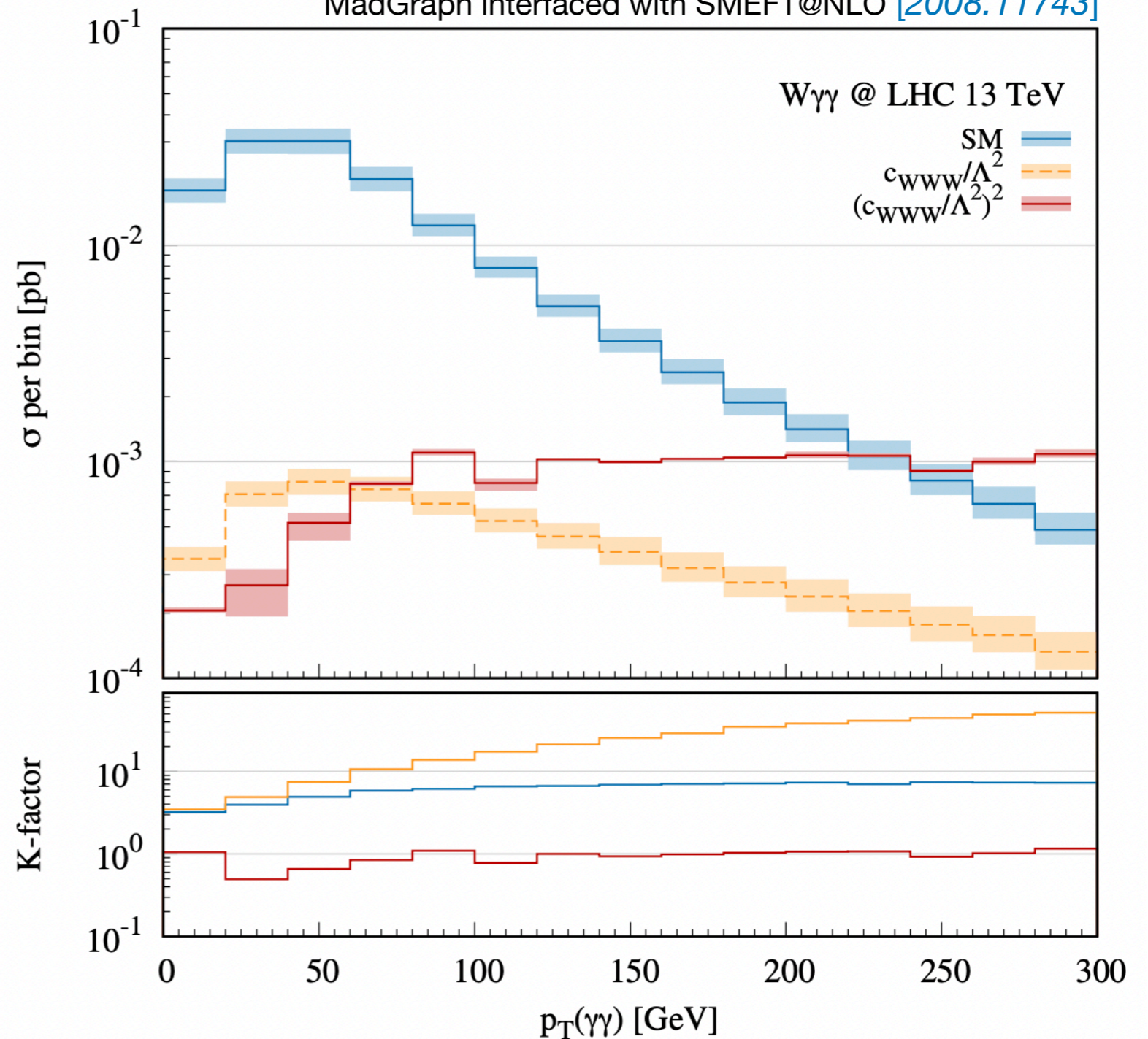
Going NLO

NLO QCD corrections are large in triboson processes [\[Degrande et al.; 2008.11743\]](#)

MadGraph interfaced with SMEFT@NLO [\[2008.11743\]](#)

$W\gamma\gamma$	
$\sigma(\text{fb})$	K-factor
σ_{SM}	4.84
$\sigma_{\phi D}$	4.86
$\sigma_{\phi D, \phi D}$	4.86
$\sigma_{\phi WB}$	4.70
$\sigma_{\phi WB, \phi WB}$	1.47
σ_{WWW}	12.24
$\sigma_{WWW, WWW}$	0.79
$\sigma_{\phi l^{(3)}}$	4.85
$\sigma_{\phi l^{(3)}, \phi l^{(3)}}$	4.85
$\sigma_{\phi q^{(3)}}$	4.80
$\sigma_{\phi q^{(3)}, \phi q^{(3)}}$	4.80
σ_{ll}	4.82
$\sigma_{ll, ll}$	4.82

$$K = \frac{\sigma_{\text{NLO}}}{\sigma_{\text{LO}}}$$



Operators and observables

EWPOs and $\alpha_{EW} \sqrt{s} = m_Z$ $\Gamma_Z, \sigma_{had}^0, R_\ell^0, A_{FB}^\ell, A_\ell(SLD), R_b^0, R_c^0, A_{FB}^b, A_{FB}^c, A_b, A_c$ [LEP; 0509008]
 $\alpha_{EW}(m_Z)$ [PDG; 20-21]

LEP WW $\sqrt{s} = 183 - 209$ GeV $\sigma(WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu, qqqq) \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos(\theta)}(WW \rightarrow \ell\nu qq)$ [LEP; 1302.3415]

LHC VV $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV $\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{e\mu}}(WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu)$ [ATLAS; 1905.04242]

$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_T^Z}(WZ \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu)$ [ATLAS; 1902.05759]

$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Delta\phi_{jj}}(Zjj \rightarrow \ell\ell jj)$ [ATLAS; 2006.15458]

LHC VVV $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV $\sigma(WWW, WWZ, WZZ, WZ\gamma, WW\gamma, W\gamma\gamma)$ [ATLAS; 2201.13045, 2305.16994, 2308.03041]
 [CMS; 2006.11191, 2310.05164, 2105.12780]

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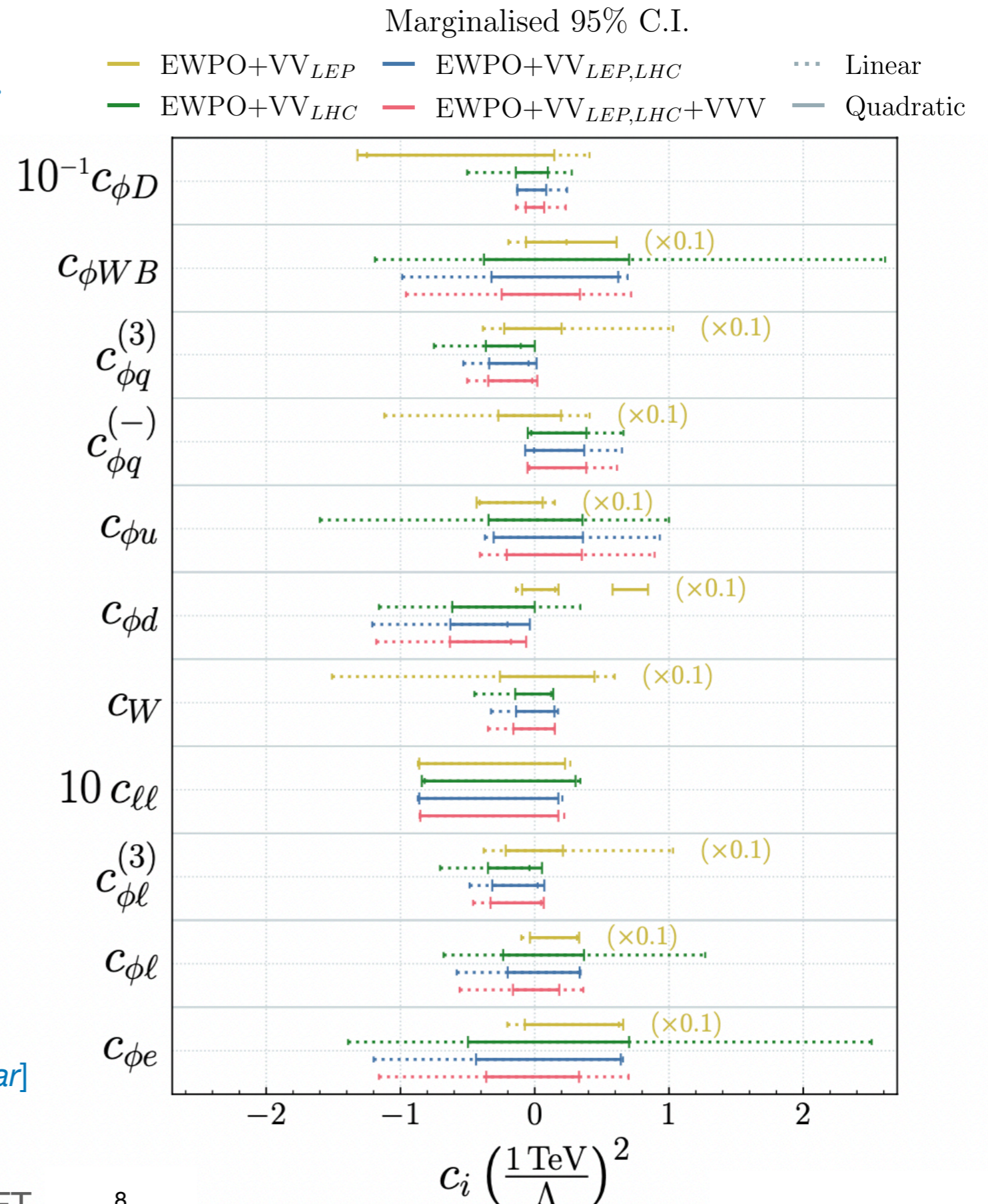
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Fit results

Fitmaker [Ellis et al.; 2012.02779]

- LHC W & VW appear to improve significantly the bounds from EWPOs & LEP W
- Quadratic fit: 50% improvement from VW wrt W on $c_{\phi D}, c_{\phi WB}, c_{\phi \ell}, c_{\phi e}$
- Bounds dominated by quadratic

[EC, Durieux, Mimasu, Vryonidou; to appear]



Interpretation

- Three EWPOs unconstrained directions: $w_B, w_W + c_W$

$$g_1^2 w_B = g_1^2 \frac{\bar{v}_T^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(-\frac{1}{3} C_{Hd} - C_{He} - \frac{1}{2} C_{Hl}^{(1)} + \frac{1}{6} C_{Hq}^{(1)} + \frac{2}{3} C_{Hu} + 2C_{HD} - \frac{1}{2t_{\hat{\theta}}} C_{HWB} \right),$$

$$g_2^2 w_W = g_2^2 \frac{\bar{v}_T^2}{\Lambda^2} \left(\frac{C_{Hq}^{(3)} + C_{Hl}^{(3)}}{2} - \frac{t_{\bar{\theta}}}{2} C_{HWB} \right).$$

[Brivio and Trott; 1701.06424]

- 3/11 directions unconstrained in a EWPOs only fit
- additional data is needed (multiboson)

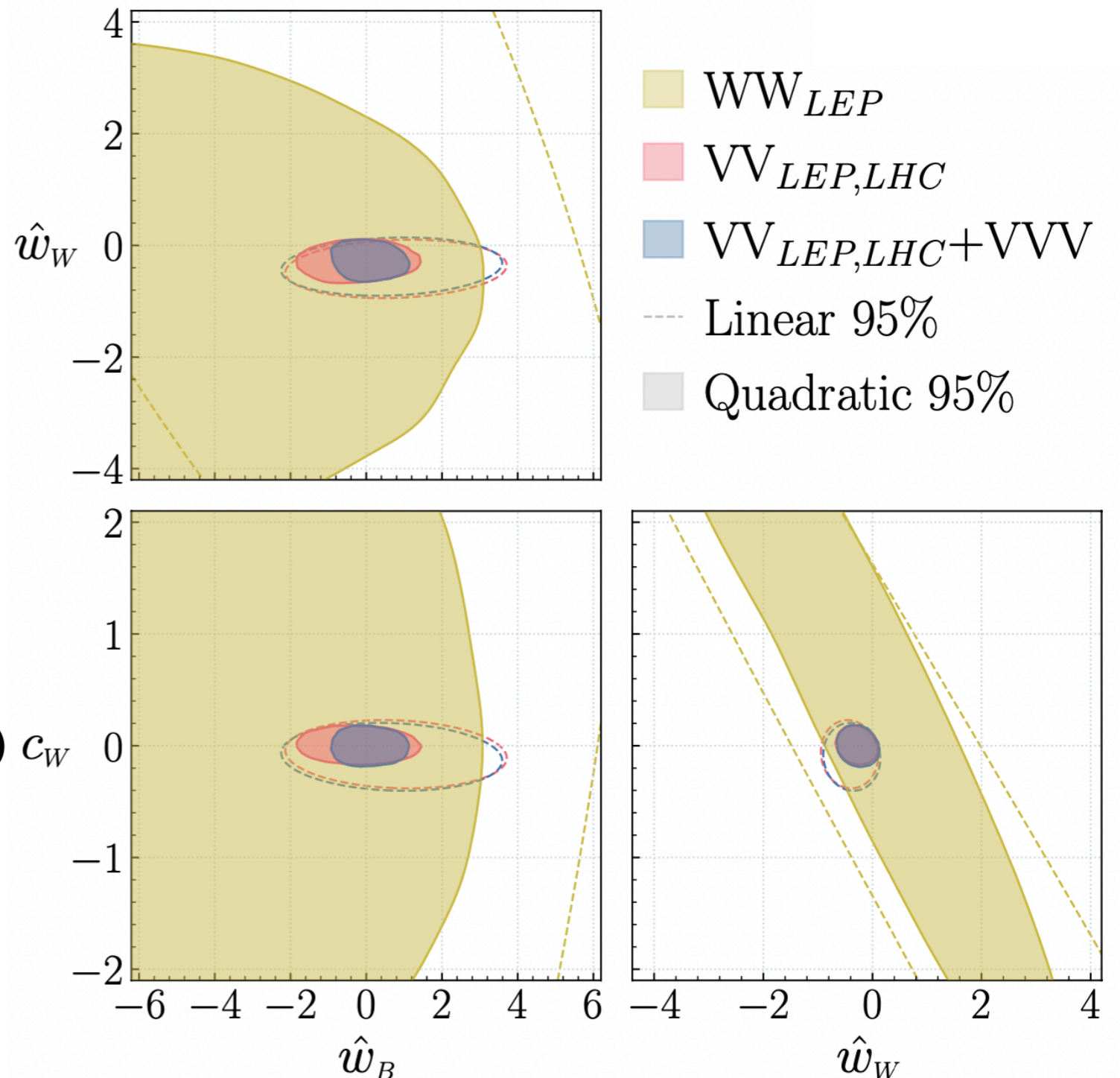
2 possible origins of the improvement

1. constraints in EWPOs blind space + marginalisation
2. genuine effect of higher sensitivity in all directions

Where do VW & VVV help?

Three EWPOs unconstrained parameters: $\hat{w}_B, \hat{w}_W, c_W$

- Large $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$ effect (also for LEP VW !)
- VW_{LHC} dominates over VW_{LEP}
- VVV at $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-2})$ doesn't help
- VVV constrains \hat{w}_B at $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$ c_W

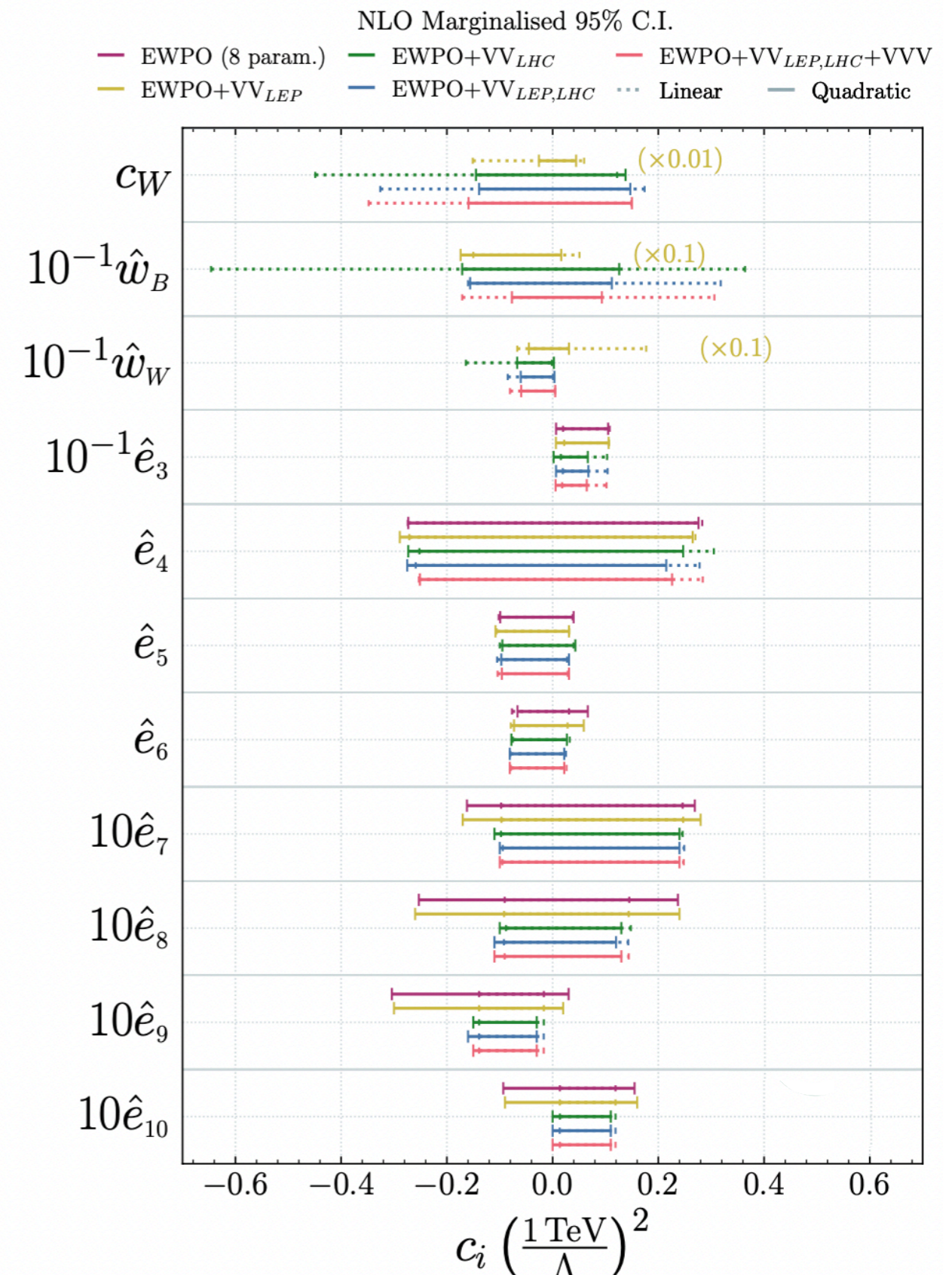


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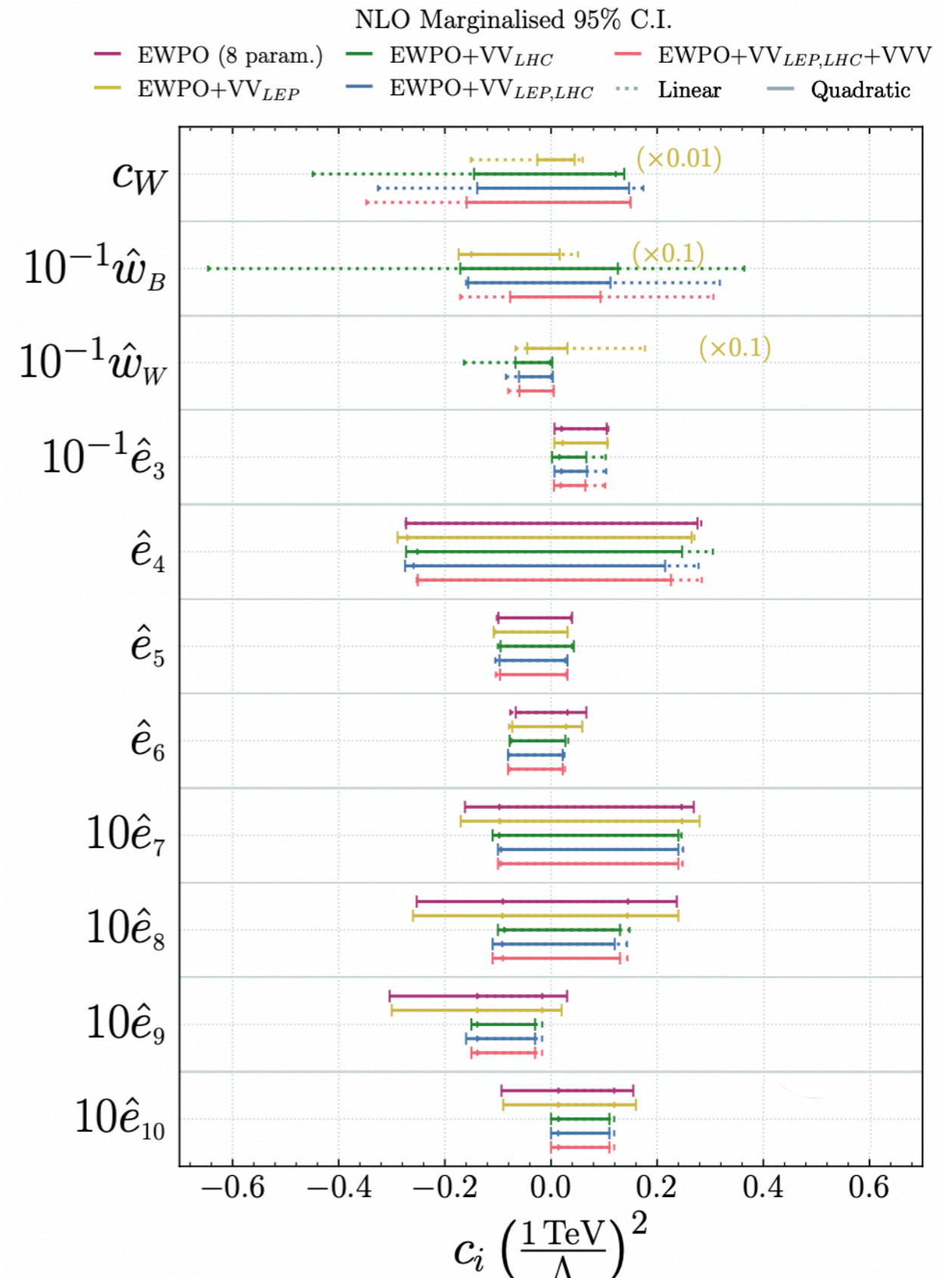


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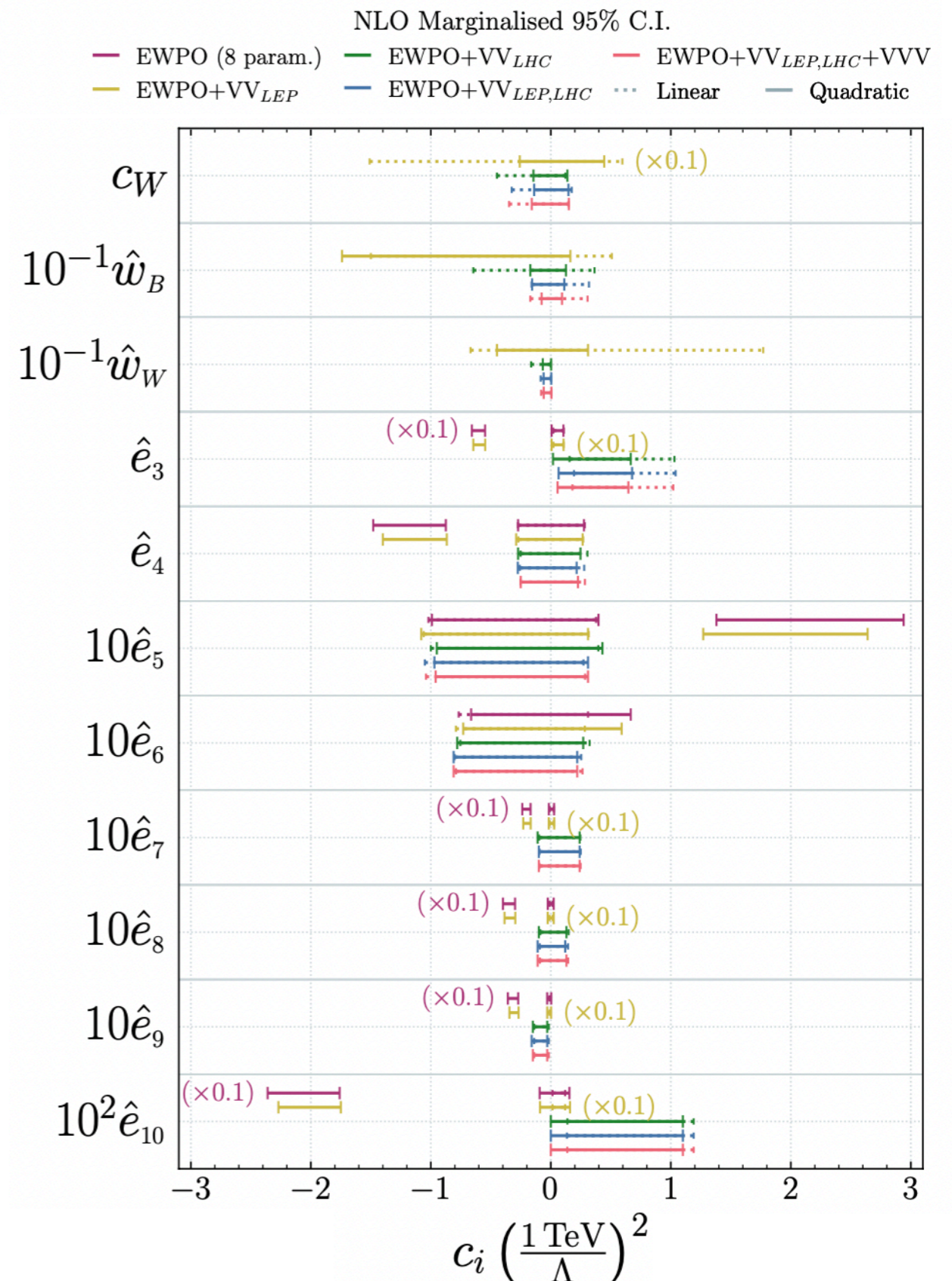


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- secondary minima in EWPOs+LEP VV lifted by LHC VV

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Summary & conclusions

- **QCD corrections** have significant impact in LHC $W\&VW$
- Multiboson production is complementary to EWPOs: **triboson** improves the bounds in EWPOs flat space
- **Quadratic EFT contributions** are sizeable for all the processes, from EWPO leading to secondary minima, to LEP diboson, and the LHC $W\&VW$