

A ubiquitous pseudo-scalar in composite Higgs models

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CH models and this talk

- Light scalars in composite Higgs models
- Result from breaking of $U(1)$ symmetry and occur ubiquitously
- New implementation using FeynRules/Madgraph
- Full LO treatment including quark loops in couplings to gauge bosons
- Should not ignore b quark contributions
- A case for targeted searches in the low mass region at the LHC



Introduction

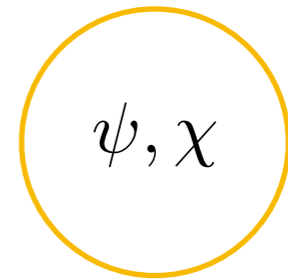
- Composite Higgs models will be accompanied by light states generated by the same dynamics
- First signs of compositeness?
- Possibility to use partial compositeness for (top) mass generation
- We are interested in a theory with an **underlying fermion-gauge completion**
- Motivations: origin of EWSB and addressing the hierarchy problem



This talk: pseudo-scalar which is **always present in models** of this nature due to $U(1)$ breaking

Composite Higgs theories

- Extend the SM
- Introduce strongly coupled gauge fermion sector
- Avoid fundamental scalars (no SO(5)/SO(4)!)



- Underlying theory in terms of gauge and fermion DOF that confine at low energies
- Higgs bound state arises due to the breaking of flavour symmetry
- Choose scenario where Higgs is a pNGB of the broken symmetry
- How to provide mass to fermions?
- Provides masses to gauge bosons as usual

Global symmetries in the effective low energy model are determined (QCD, U(1)..)

pNGB Higgs

- Consequence of broken global symmetry

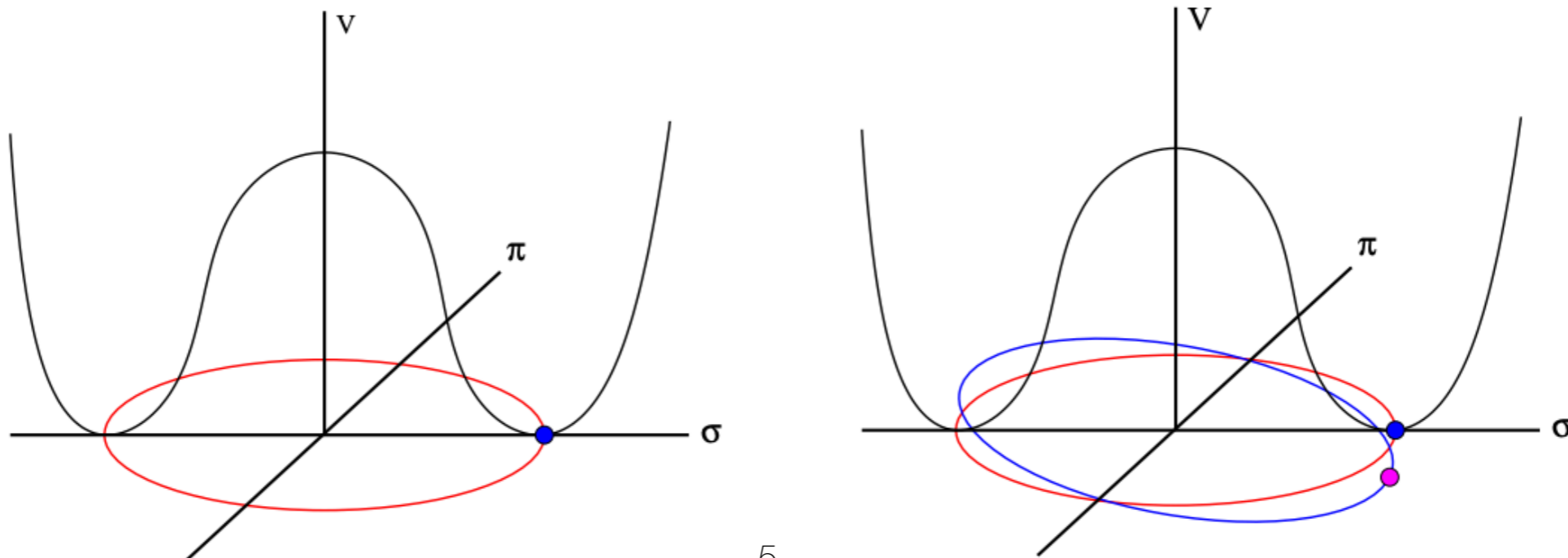
Coset: G_F/H_F

$$H_F \supset G_{cus} \supset G_{SM}$$

$$G_{cus} = SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_X$$

$$G_{SM} = SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

- Explicit breaking of the global sector by, for example, bare masses for the hyperquarks



This model (+ new implementation)

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Revealing timid pseudo-scalars with taus at the LHC

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High Energy Physics – Phenomenology

Light scalars in composite Higgs models

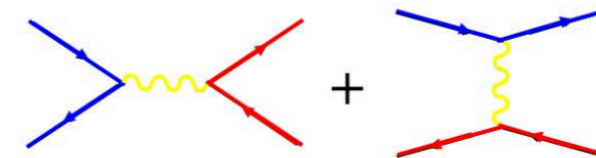
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FEYNRULES 2.0- A complete toolbox for
tree-level phenomenology

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MadGraph + MadEvent



Automated Tree-Level
Feynman Diagram, Helicity Amplitude,
and Event Generation

This model: SM loops, full LO

Underlying fermions

We have ψ, χ in two different irreps of the hypercolour group

EW-charged ψ : generate the Higgs and EW symmetry breaking upon condensation
multiplicity matches minimal coset

QCD χ : partial compositeness
carry QCD colour and hypercharge

Once the underlying dynamics are specified, we may only have the following patterns

$$SU(N_f)/Sp(N_f)$$

$$SU(N_f)/SO(N_f)$$

$$SU(N_f) \times SU(N_f)/SU(N_f)$$

And we find that our minimal cosets are

$$SU(4)/Sp(4), \quad SU(5)/SO(5)$$

$$\text{and } SU(4) \times SU(4)/SU(4)$$

Partial Compositeness

$$\mathcal{L} \supseteq y_L \bar{q}_L \Psi_{q_L} + y_R \bar{\Psi}_{t_R} t_R + h.c$$

- Cannot accommodate enough partners to realise PC for all fermions:
- Spin-1/2 top partners
- Top quark mixes with a composite state of the new strong sector with the same quantum numbers: suppresses FCNC and CP-violating terms

$$\psi\chi\chi \quad \psi\psi\chi$$

Chimera baryons - tend to be heavy and beyond the reach of the LHC

Models

- M1-M12 including partial compositeness for the top
- Varying group structures
- Limit number of fermions so we don't lose asymptotic freedom
- HC: confining gauge interactions
- Custodial symmetry preserved
- Coefficients are computable: determined by the dimension of the underlying fermionic representation.

Ingredients: HC group, choice of fermion representations,
EW coset, QCD coset

Models

Coset	HC	ψ	χ	$-q_\chi/q_\psi$	Baryon	Name	Lattice
$\frac{SU(5)}{SO(5)} \times \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)}$	SO(7)	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{Sp}$	5/6	$\psi\chi\chi$	M1	
	SO(9)			5/12		M2	
	SO(7)	$5 \times \mathbf{Sp}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	5/6	$\psi\psi\chi$	M3	
	SO(9)			5/3		M4	
$\frac{SU(5)}{SO(5)} \times \frac{SU(6)}{Sp(6)}$	Sp(4)	$5 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	5/3	$\psi\chi\chi$	M5	✓
$\frac{SU(5)}{SO(5)} \times \frac{SU(3)^2}{SU(3)}$	SU(4)	$5 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$3 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	5/3	$\psi\chi\chi$	M6	✓
	SO(10)	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$3 \times (\mathbf{Sp}, \bar{\mathbf{Sp}})$	5/12		M7	
$\frac{SU(4)}{Sp(4)} \times \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)}$	Sp(4)	$4 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	1/3	$\psi\psi\chi$	M8	✓
	SO(11)	$4 \times \mathbf{Sp}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	8/3		M9	
$\frac{SU(4)^2}{SU(4)} \times \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)}$	SO(10)	$4 \times (\mathbf{Sp}, \bar{\mathbf{Sp}})$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	8/3	$\psi\psi\chi$	M10	✓
	SU(4)	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	2/3		M11	
$\frac{SU(4)^2}{SU(4)} \times \frac{SU(3)^2}{SU(3)}$	SU(5)	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$3 \times (\mathbf{A}_2, \bar{\mathbf{A}}_2)$	4/9	$\psi\psi\chi$	M12	

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Particle Spectrum

Various EW/QCD resonances are possible

Rich spectrum due to fermions with two representations

$$\langle \chi\chi \rangle$$

$$\langle \psi\psi \rangle$$

$\langle \psi\chi \rangle$ never forms so HC group remains unbroken

U(1) singlets: mass eigenstates $\{a, \eta'\}$

Coupling to gluons via the Wess-Zumino-Witten anomaly term

Two types of fermions in the underlying theory

\implies there is always a combination of the two U(1)'s

which is non anomalous with respect to the HC group

\implies the associated pseudo-scalar will be light

Ubiquitous U(1) scalars

We will always have singlet pseudo-scalars associated to global U(1) symmetries, (and a coloured octet arising from the presence of coloured underlying fermions)

$$a, \eta', \pi_8$$

$$\sin \alpha_{dec} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{q_\psi^2 N_\psi f_\psi^2}{q_\chi^2 N_\chi f_\chi^2}}}$$

The pNGB \tilde{a} is naturally **lighter** than the typical confinement scale, and the orthogonal $\tilde{\eta}$ is heavier

ψ condensing: the axial $U(1)_\psi$ would be spontaneously broken, but also explicitly broken by a ABJ anomaly \implies heavy Goldstone.

Also have χ fermions condensing \implies additional axial $U(1)_\chi$ spontaneously broken.

Possible to construct an ABJ anomaly free linear combination $U(1)_a$: associated pseudo-scalar will be light

U(1) pseudo-scalar a

- Light: mass up to 100 GeV
- Small couplings to SM particles
- Singlet under SM symmetries
- Couples directly to SM fermions

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu a) (\partial^\mu a) - \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 a^2 - \sum_f \frac{i C_f m_f}{f_a} a \bar{\Psi}_f \gamma^5 \Psi_f +$$

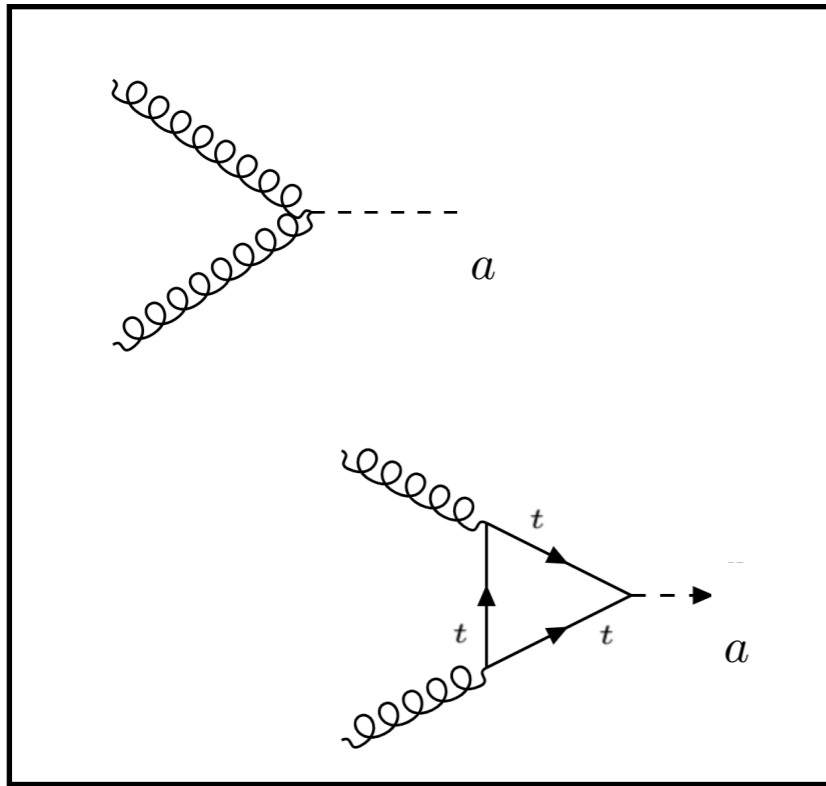
$$\frac{g_s^2 K_g}{16\pi^2 f_a} a G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a\mu\nu} + \frac{g^2 K_W}{16\pi^2 f_a} a W_{\mu\nu}^i \tilde{W}^{i\mu\nu} + \frac{g'^2 K_B}{16\pi^2 f_a} a B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}^{\mu\nu},$$

$$f_a = \sqrt{\frac{q_\psi^2 N_\psi f_\psi^2 + q_\chi^2 N_\chi f_\chi^2}{q_\psi^2 + q_\chi^2}} \quad C_t^a = c_5 \left(\frac{n_\psi}{\sqrt{N_\psi}} \cos \alpha + \frac{f_\psi}{f_\chi} \frac{n_\chi}{\sqrt{N_\chi}} \sin \alpha \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{haa} = \frac{3C_t^2 m_t^2 \kappa_t}{8\pi^2 f_a^2 v} \log \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_t^2} h (\partial_\mu a) (\partial^\mu a),$$

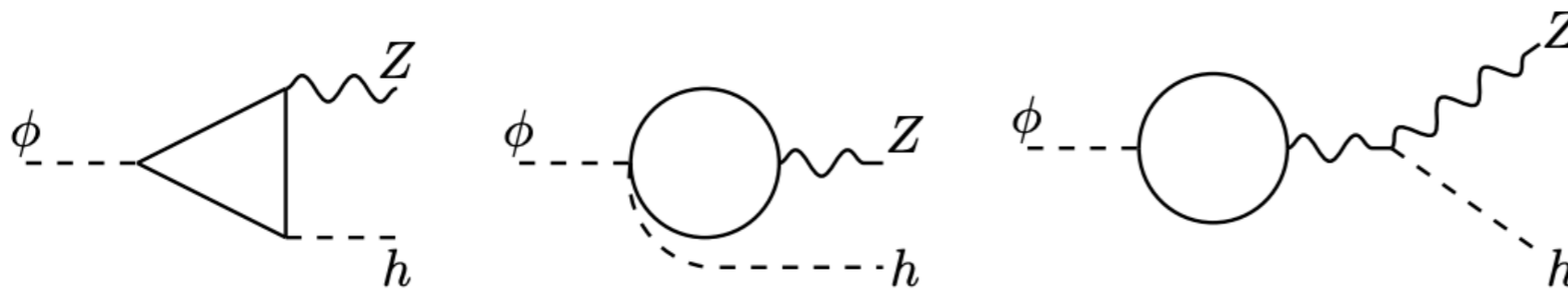
$$\mathcal{L}_{hZa} = \frac{3C_t m_t^2 g_A}{2\pi^2 f_a v} (\kappa_t - \kappa_V) \log \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_t^2} h (\partial_\mu a) Z^\mu.$$

Coupling to bosons

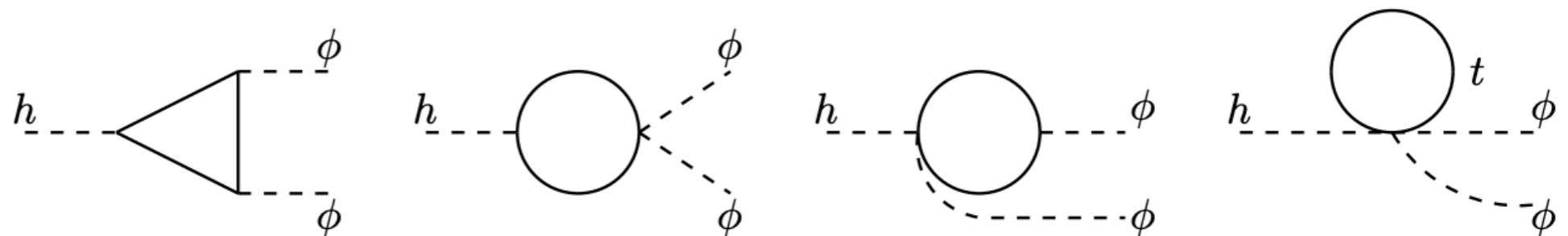


$$K_V^a = c_5 \left(\frac{C_V^\psi}{\sqrt{N_\psi}} \cos \alpha + \frac{f_\psi}{f_\chi} \frac{C_V^\chi}{\sqrt{N_\chi}} \sin \alpha \right)$$

- Anomalous couplings to gauge bosons



- Loop couplings with the Higgs and Z



Coupling to gauge bosons: loops

There will be a contribution to the coupling to gauge bosons thanks to loops of quarks

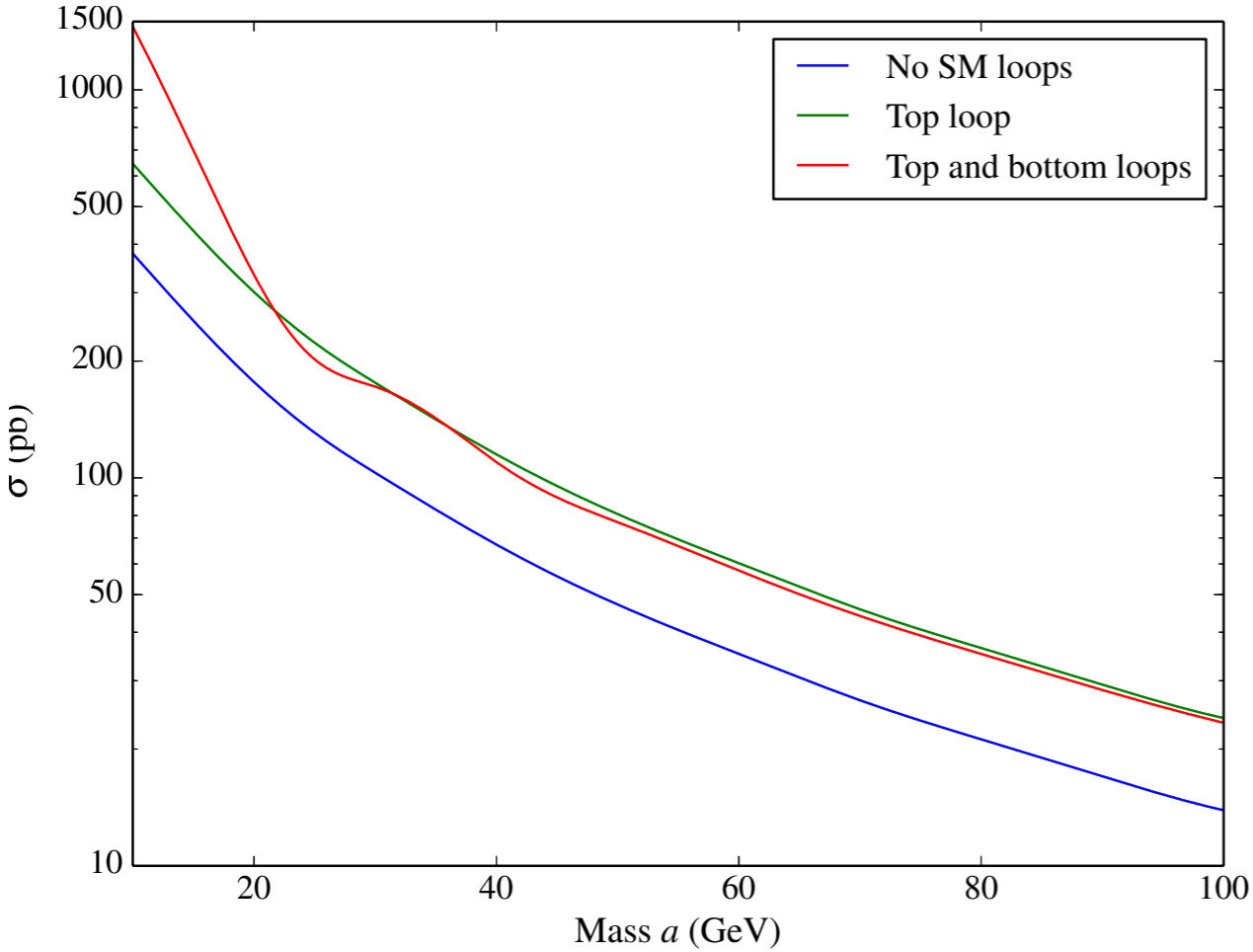
$$\tau = \frac{4m_f^2}{M_a^2} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \sigma_0 = \frac{\sqrt{2}G_F}{256\pi} \alpha_s^2 \left| \kappa_g + \sum_f A(\tau_f) \right|^2$$

$A(\tau) = \tau f(\tau)$ Differs from Higgs result as now we are dealing with a pseudo-scalar

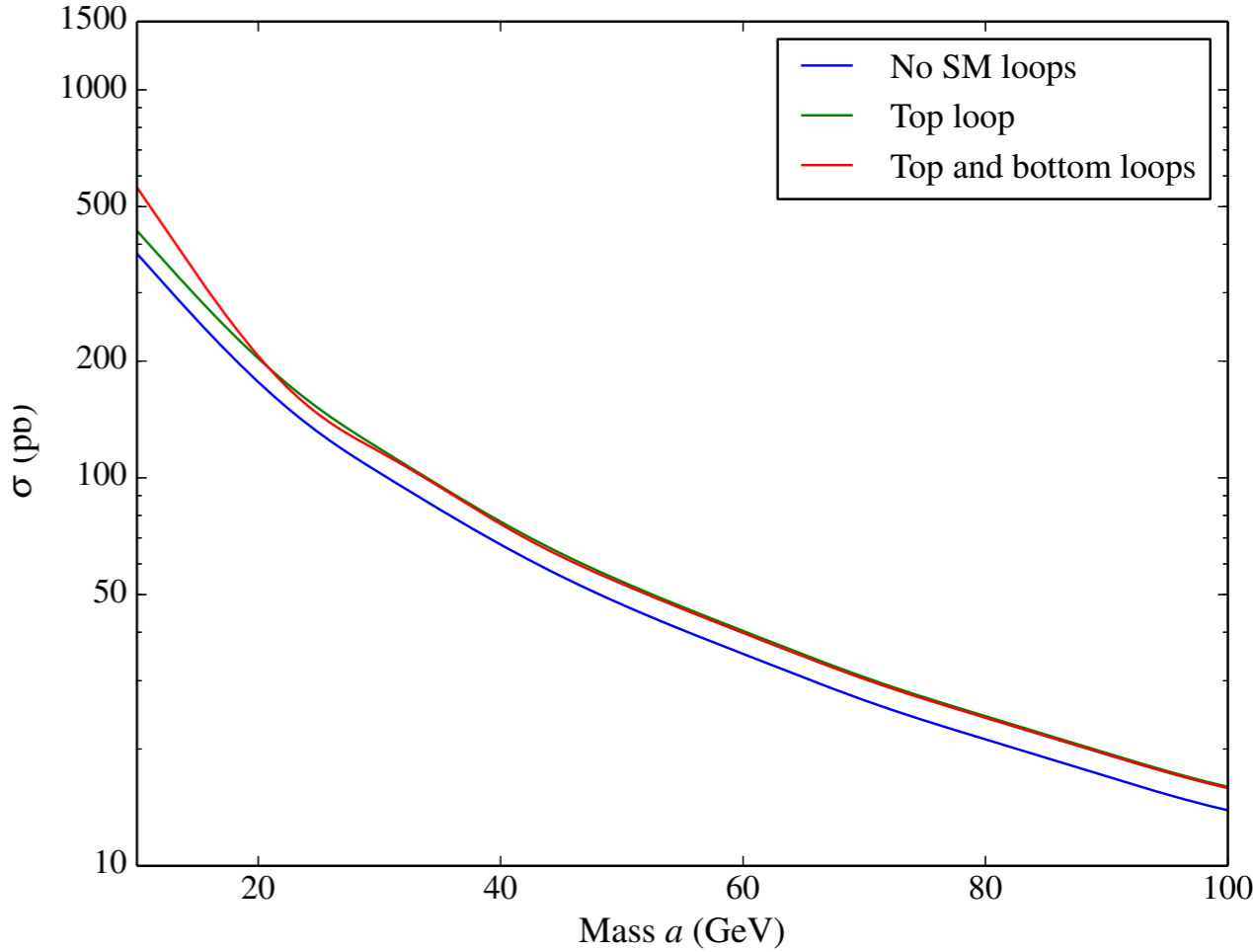
$$f(\tau) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{4} \left[\log \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{1-\tau}}{1-\sqrt{1-\tau}} \right) - i\pi \right]^2 & \text{if } \tau < 1 \quad \longleftarrow \text{bottom} \\ \arcsin^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\tau}} \right) & \text{if } \tau \geq 1 \quad \longleftarrow \text{top} \end{cases}$$

Production Modes: ggF single production

SU(5)/SO(5)

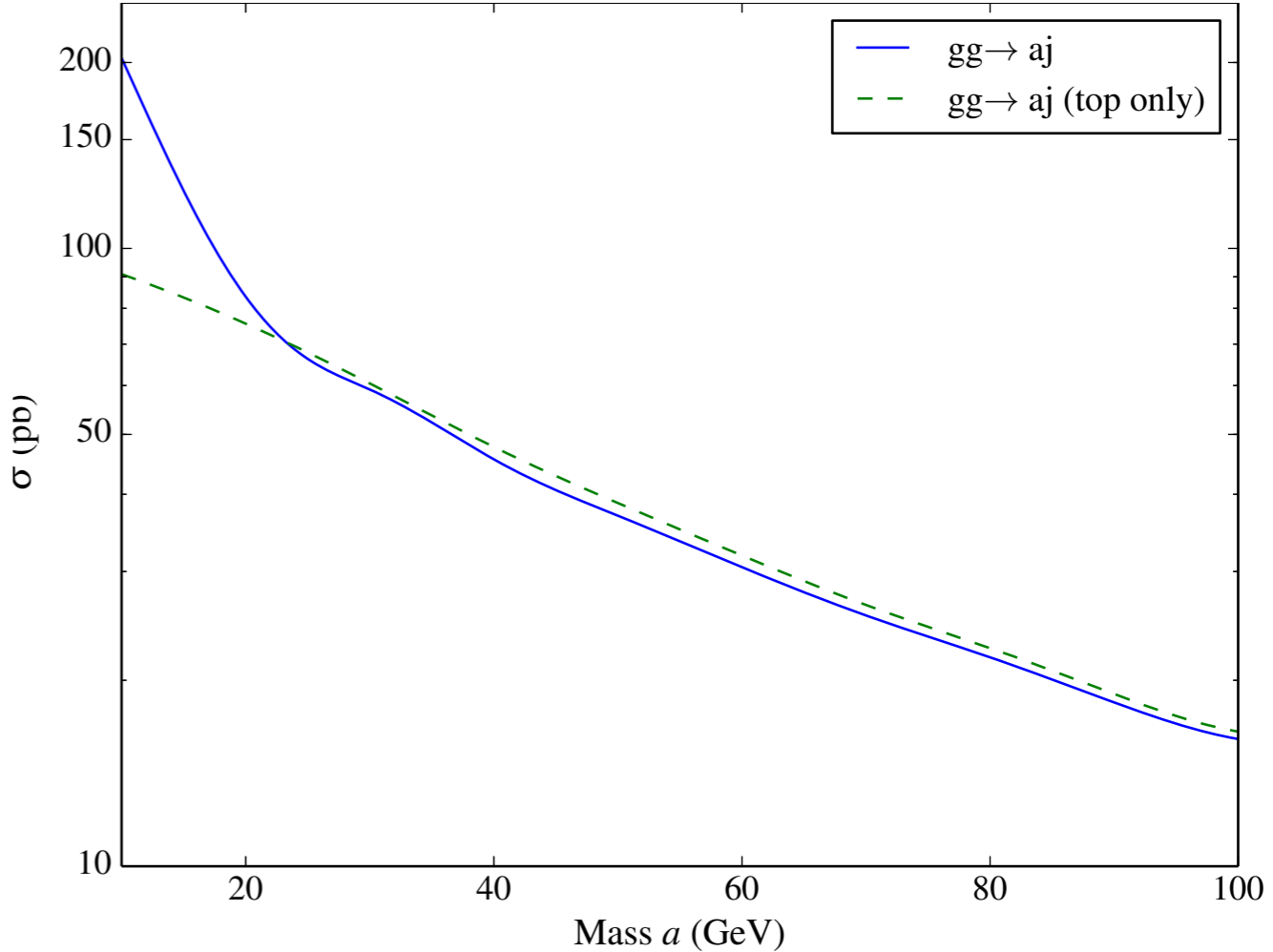
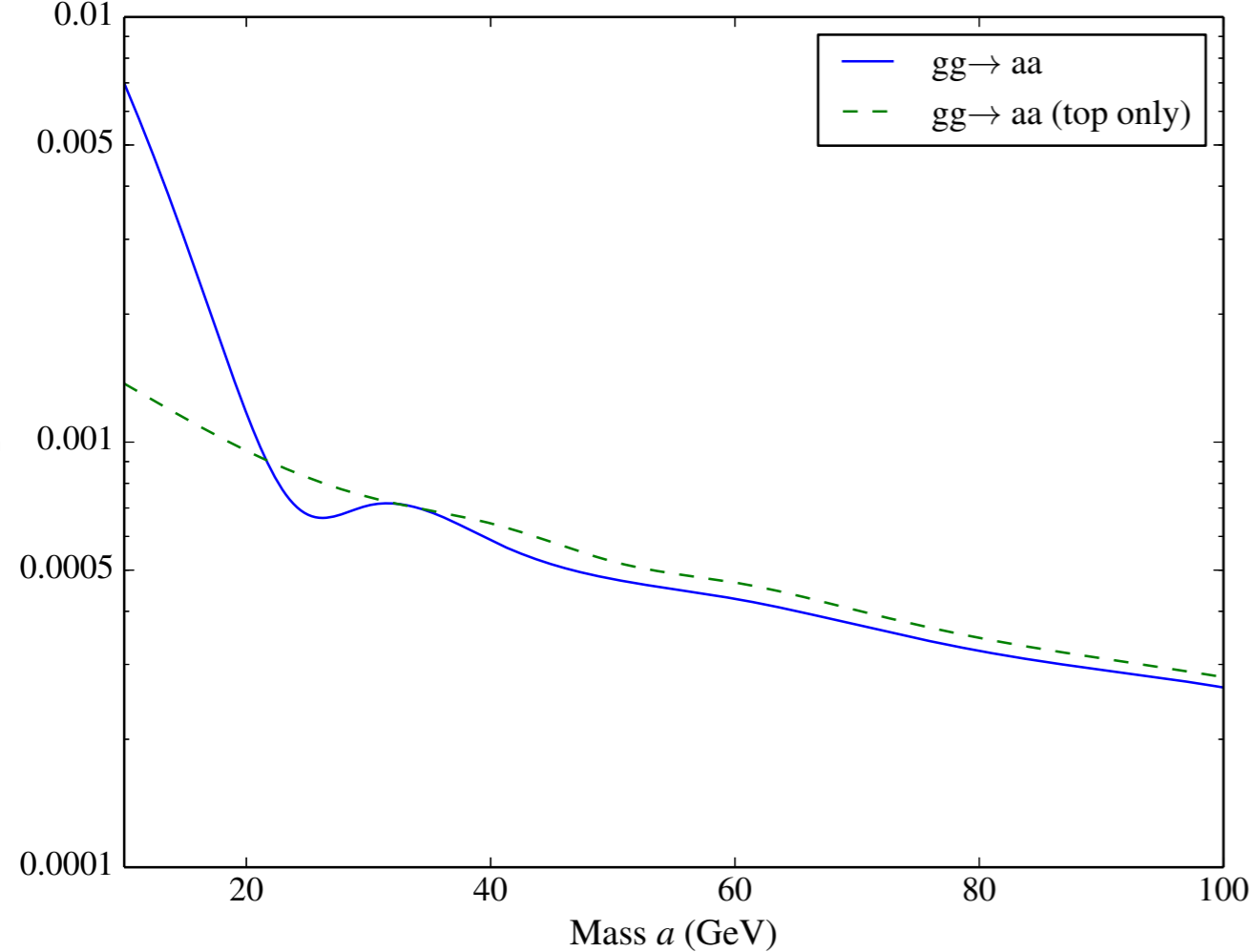


SU(4)/Sp(4)

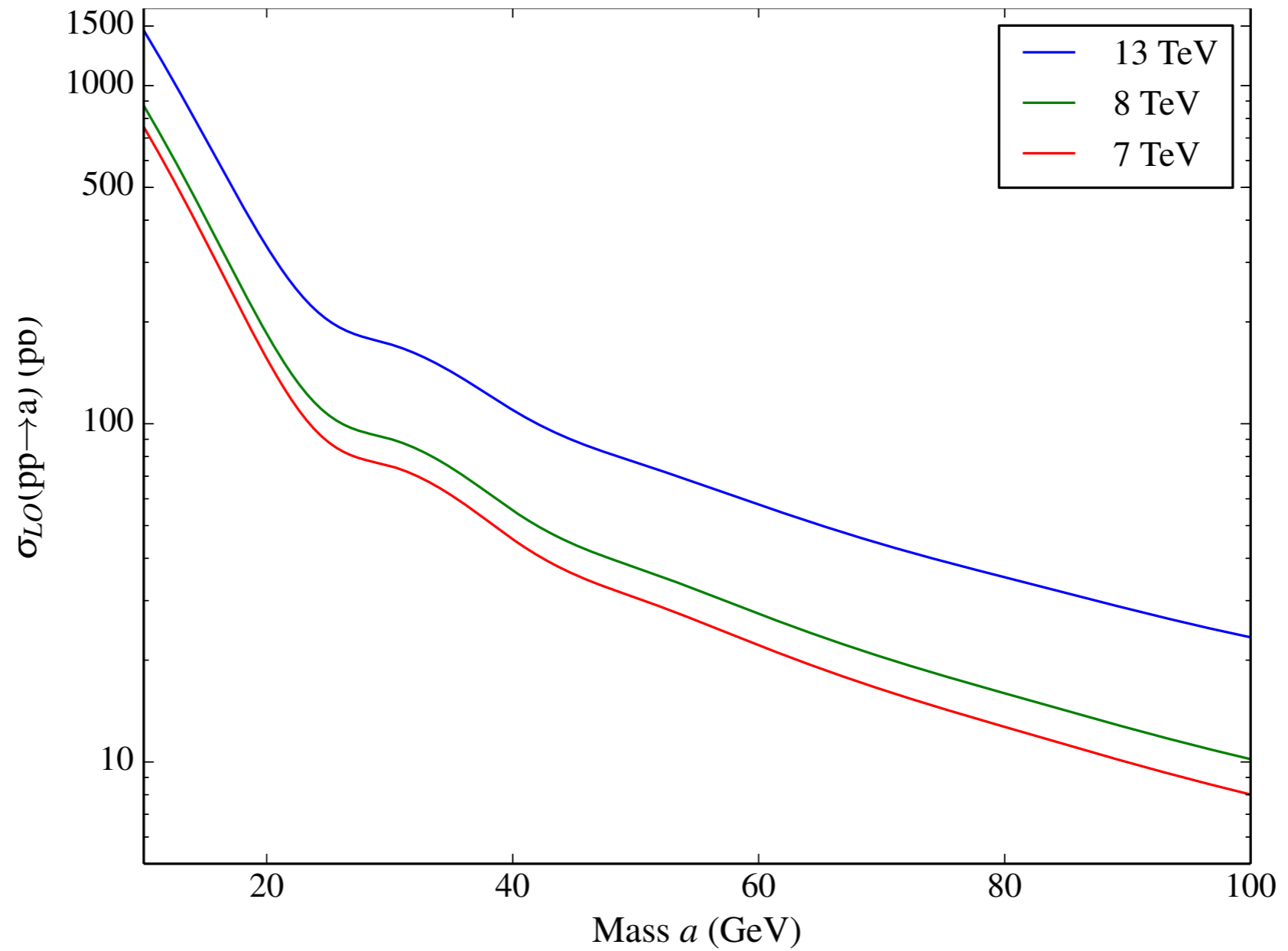


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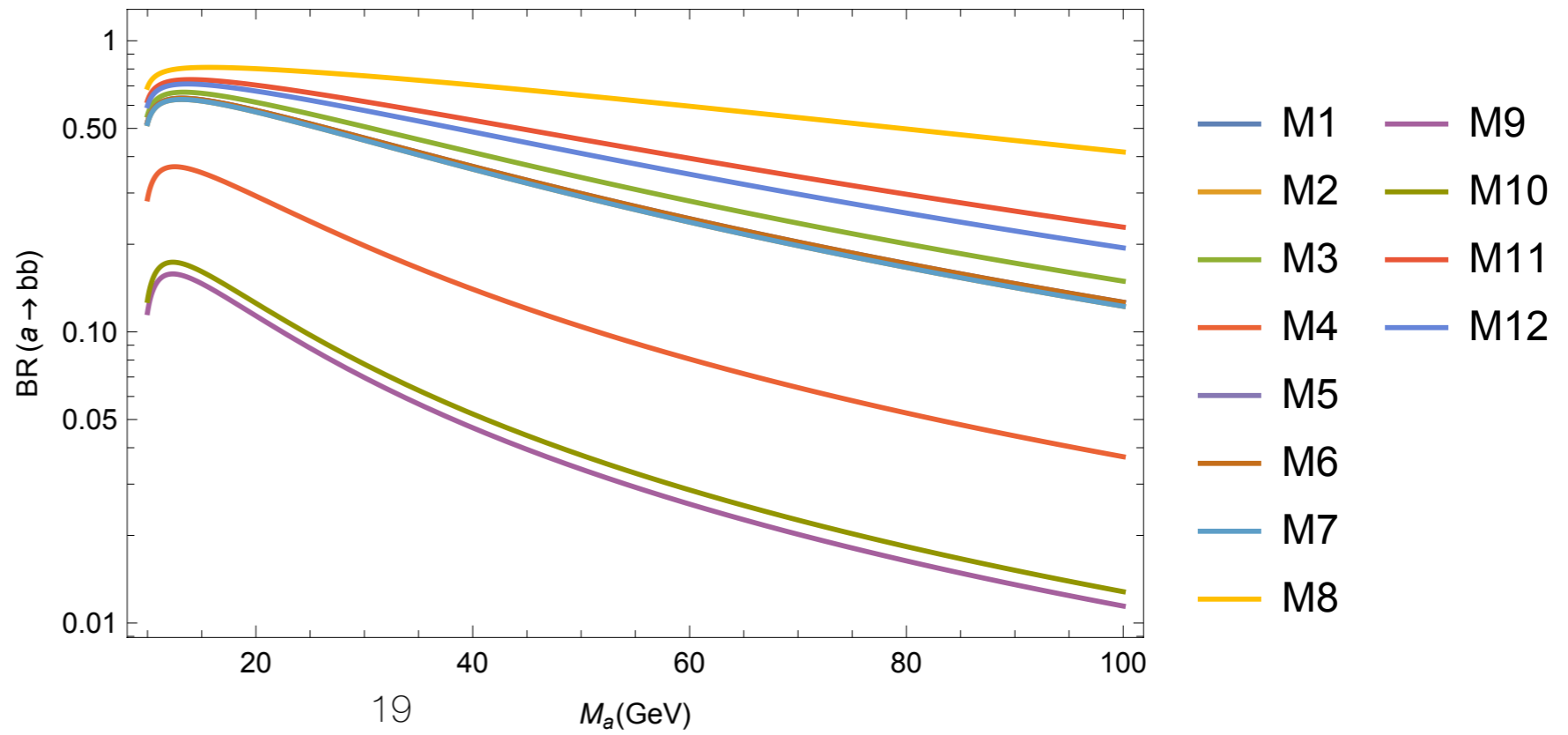
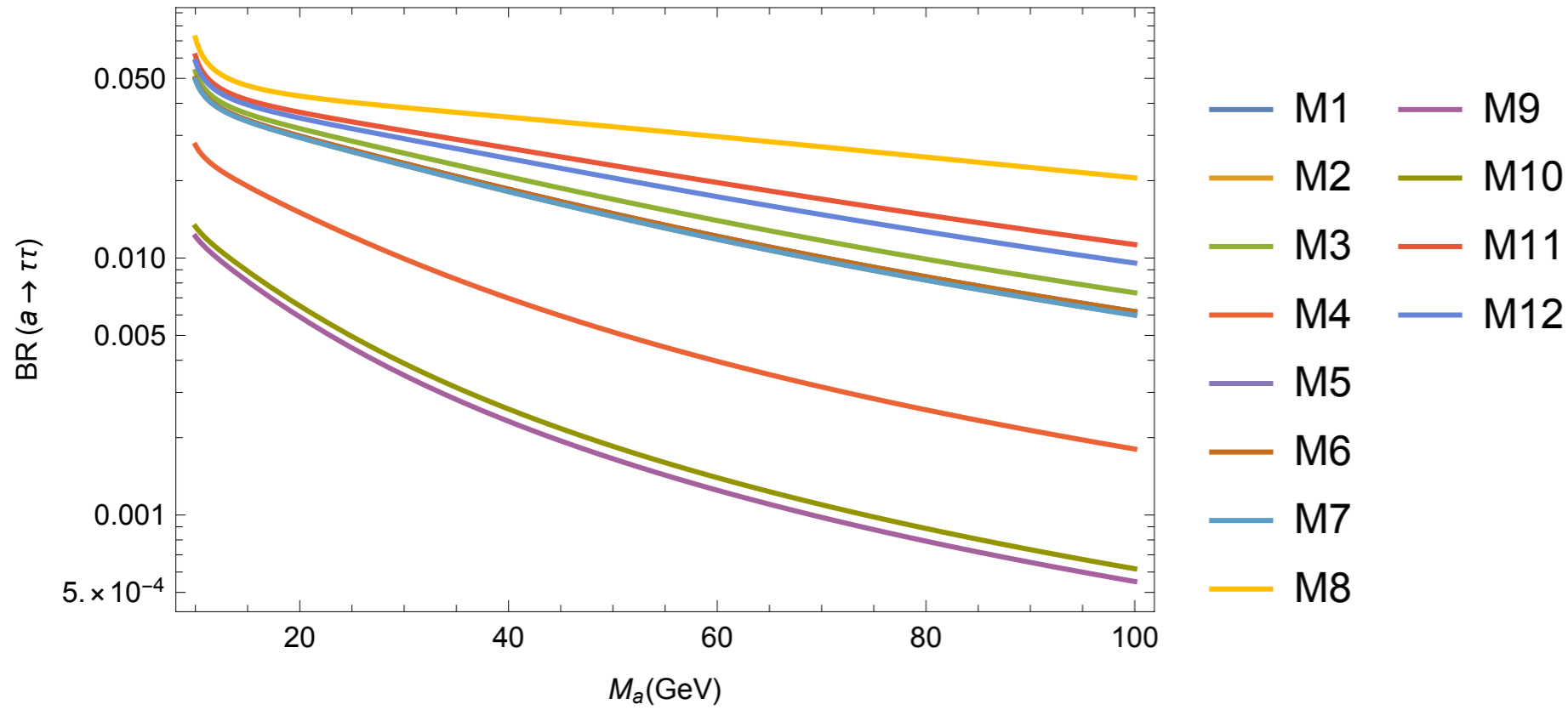
Gluon-gluon fusion alternative production modes



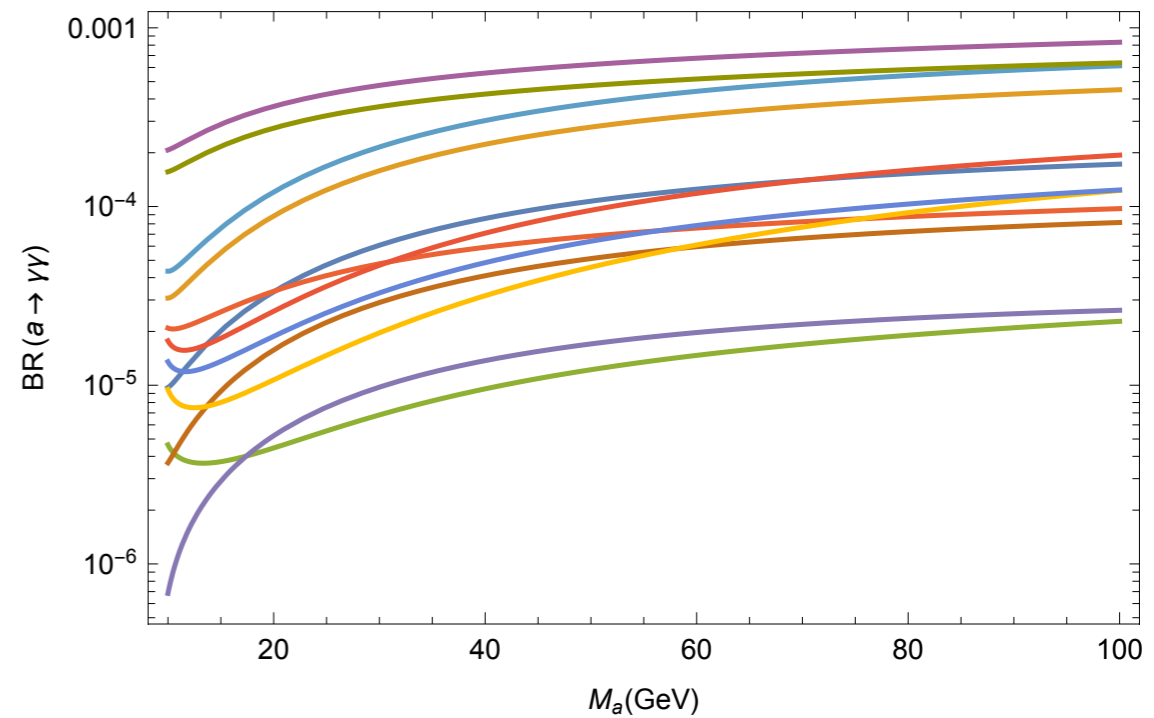
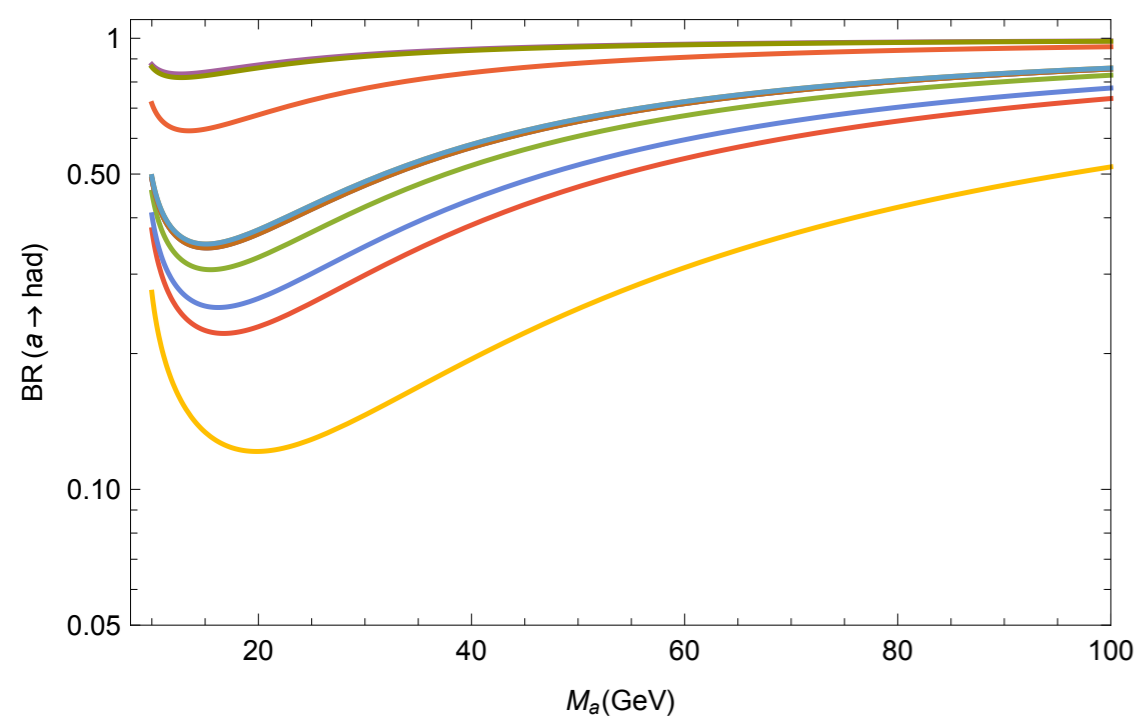
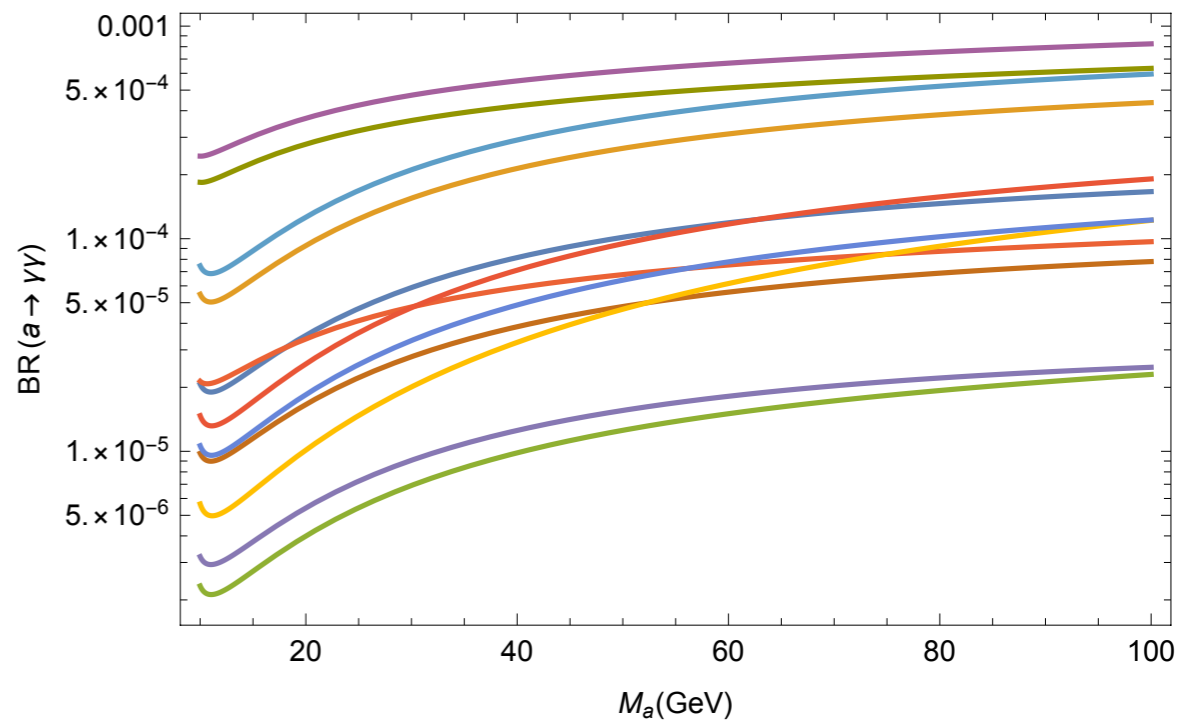
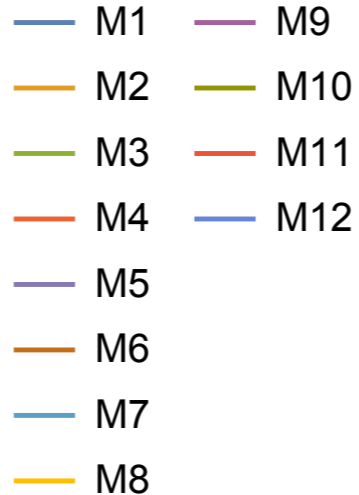
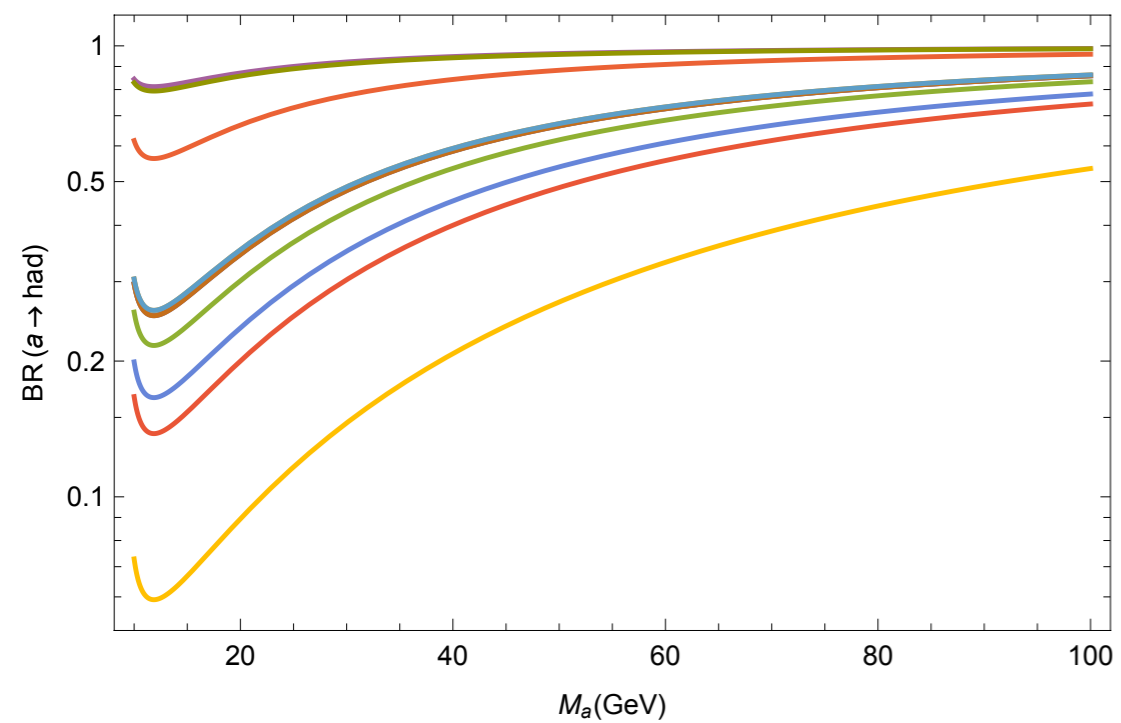
LHC Production Modes



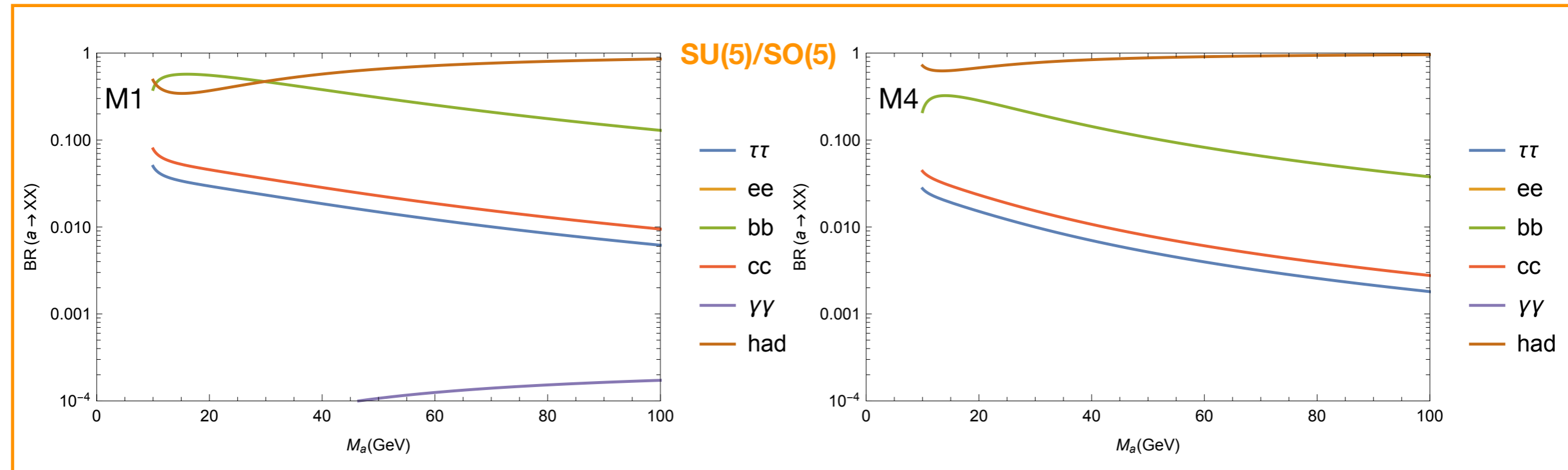
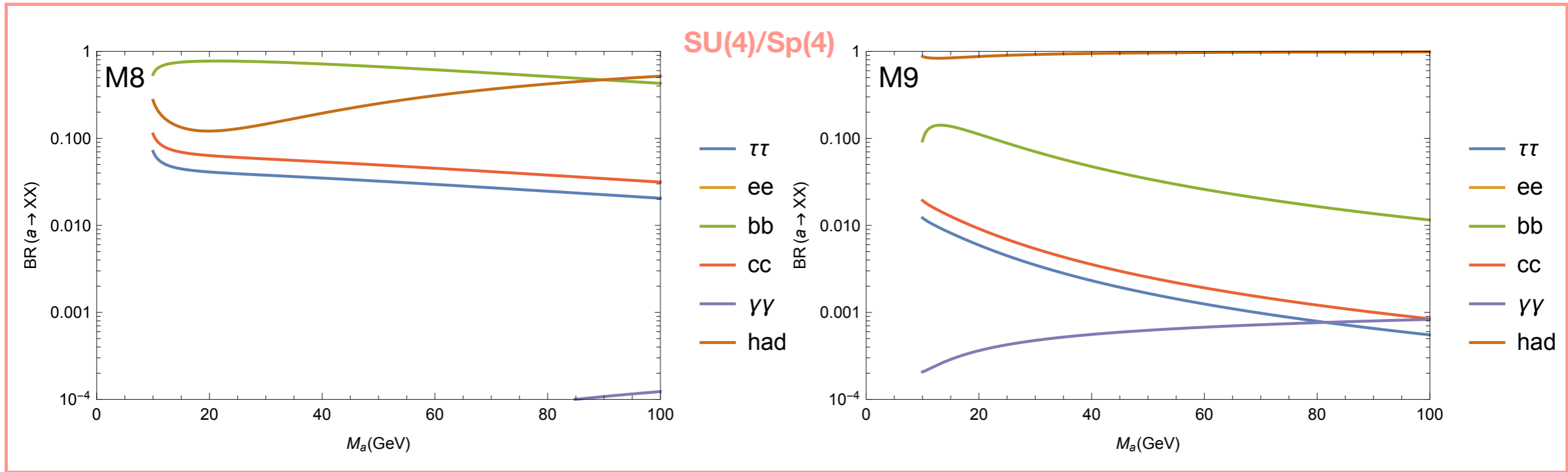
Decay modes



The case for including b quarks



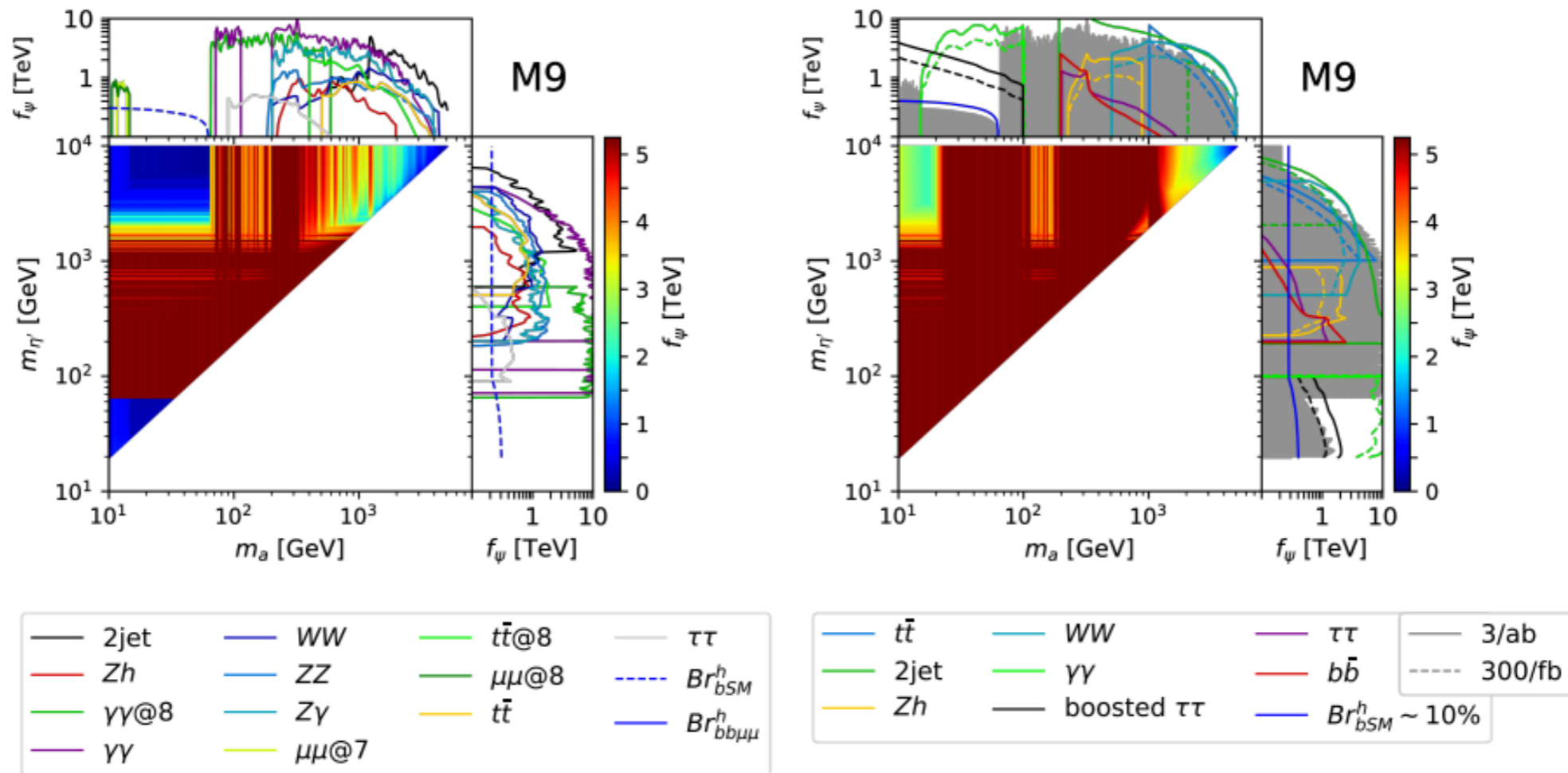
A model comparison



Future Searches

Light scalars - are they still viable?

We can use the large amount of data to be processed from the LHC to look at these lower mass windows



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Couplings

	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6	M7	M8	M9	M10	M11	M12
K_g	-7.2	-8.7	-6.3	-11.	-4.9	-4.9	-8.7	-1.6	-10.	-9.4	-3.3	-4.1
K_W	7.6	12.	8.7	12.	3.6	4.4	13.	1.9	5.6	5.6	3.3	4.6
K_B	2.8	5.9	-8.2	-17.	0.40	1.1	7.3	-2.3	-22.	-19.	-5.5	-6.3
C_f	2.2	2.6	2.2	1.5	1.5	1.5	2.6	1.9	0.70	0.70	1.7	1.8
$\frac{f_a}{f_\psi}$	2.1	2.4	2.8	2.0	1.4	1.4	2.4	2.8	1.2	1.5	3.1	2.6

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