

# Composite Higgs models, LHC bounds and challenges for automatisisation

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# Overview

Motivations for composite Higgs models

Composite Higgs, basic idea

Models beyond the minimal one

LHC phenomenology

Model independent bounds

Bounds in a specific model

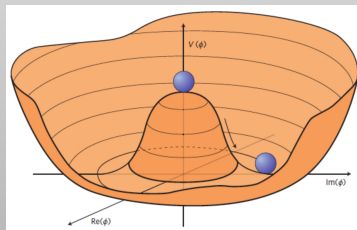
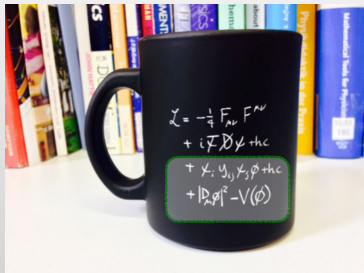
Challenges for automatisisation

Conclusions & outlook

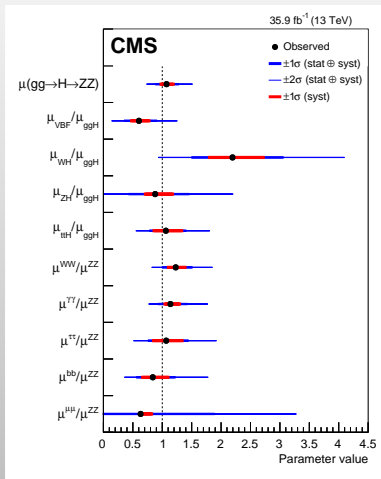
# Jobs of the SM-Higgs Multiplet

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\tau^a \chi^a(x)/v} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + h(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

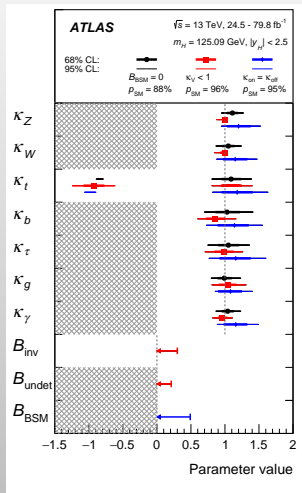
- ▶ its non-zero vacuum expectation value  $v$  spontaneously breaks the electroweak gauge group  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  to  $U(1)_{em}$
- ▶ gives masses to  $W^\pm, Z$
- ▶ gives masses to the fermions
- ▶ bonus: provides one physical scalar  $h$  ('the Higgs boson')



By now, many of the Higgs properties are properties are being tested.  
With the HL-LHC run, we enter the Higgs precision area.



CMS coll., EPJC **79**, 421 (2019)

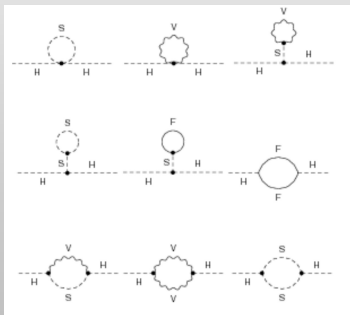


ATLAS coll., PRD **101**, 012002 (2020)

Note: So far, Higgs self-couplings are not experimentally verified  
 $\Rightarrow$  the Higgs potential is thus not measured, yet.

# Hierarchy problem

In the absence of new symmetries/dynamics: Higgs condensate and Higgs mass are  
**unstable to quantum corrections & dragged-up to very large energy scales**

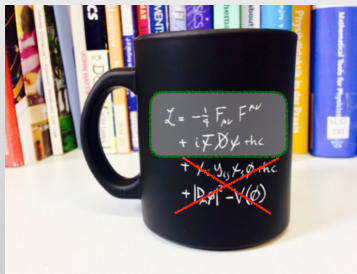


$$\frac{\delta v^2}{v^2} = \sum_i \pm \frac{g_i^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{M_i^2}{v^2} \gg 1$$

$M_i$ : proxy for unknown heavy mass scales (flavour, GUTs, gravity, ...)

# What if there were no Higgs?

QCD breaks electroweak symmetry! just wrongly



Gauge group:  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

1<sup>st</sup> family quarks:  $q_L, u_R$  and  $d_R$

Global symmetry:  $SU(2)_l \times SU(2)_r$   
(of QCD sector)

At QCD scale: condensation

$$\langle \bar{q}_L q_R \rangle = -f_\pi B_0 \simeq (200 \text{ MeV})^3$$

$SU(2)_l \times SU(2)_r \rightarrow SU(2) \Rightarrow 3$  Nambu-Goldstone bosons:  $\pi^{0,+,-}$

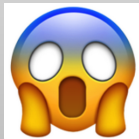
# Problems

- ▶  $m_W = m_Z \simeq O(100 \text{ MeV})$
- ▶ no Higgs d.o.f. at the scale of  $m_{W,Z}$
- ▶  $U(1)_{em} = U(1)_Y$
- ▶ a priori no masses for quarks and leptons (but could be induced via 4-Fermi operators, (as in Nambu-Jona-Lasinio model (NJL-model)))

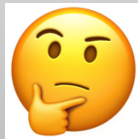
... but the hierarchy problem would be solved!



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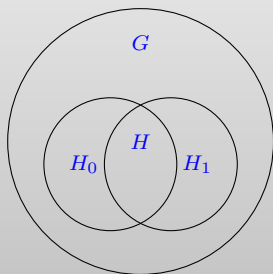


Formal Theorist

# Minimal Composite Higgs Model

K. Agashe, R. Contino and A. Pomarol, NPB **719** (2005), 165  
R. Contino, TASI lectures 2009

Assumes there is an additional strong force, often called hyper-color, and new 'quarks'



$G$ : global symmetry of the strong sector  
(at energy above confinement)

$H_1$ : global symmetry group in confined phase  
below scale  $f$

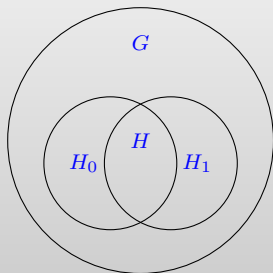
$H_0$ : SM electroweak gauge group

$H$ : unbroken gauge group

What are the smallest groups which can  
give electroweak symmetry breaking and a Higgs?



# Minimal Composite Higgs Model



$$G: SO(5) \times U(1)_X$$

$$H_1: SO(4) \times U(1)_X \sim SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_X$$

$$H_0: SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

$$H: U(1)_{em}$$

- ▶  $SO(5) \rightarrow SO(4)$  breaking  $\Rightarrow$  4 Nambu-Goldstone bosons in  $(2, 2)$  of  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$
- ▶  $Y = T^{3R} + X, U(1)_X$  needed to get correctly the hypercharges of the fermions

# Minimal Composite Higgs Model

The Nambu-Goldstone boson sector (aka Higgs multiplet) can be parameterized as a pNGB field  $\Sigma$

$$\Sigma(x) = e^{\Pi(x)/f} \Sigma_0, \quad \Sigma_0 = (0, 0, 0, 0, f)^T, \quad \Pi(x) = -i \sum_{\hat{a}} T^{\hat{a}} h^{\hat{a}}(x)$$

$$\Sigma = \frac{f \sin(h/f)}{h} (h^1, h^2, h^3, h^4, h \cot(h/f))^T, \quad h \equiv \sqrt{(h^{\hat{a}})^2}$$

The gauge interaction of  $\Sigma$  are given by  $\mathcal{L}_\Sigma = \frac{1}{2} (D_\mu \Sigma)^T D^\mu \Sigma$   
yield after electroweak symmetry breaking

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^V = \frac{f^2}{8} \left( \frac{v+h}{f} \right)^2 (W_\mu^i W^{i\mu} - 2W_\mu^3 B^\mu + B_\mu B^\mu) + \dots$$

$$= \left( 1 + 2\sqrt{1-\xi} \frac{h}{v} + (1-2\xi) \frac{h^2}{v^2} + \dots \right) \left( m_W^2 W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} + \frac{m_Z^2}{2} Z_\mu Z^\mu \right) + \dots$$

where  $\xi = \frac{v^2}{f^2}$

# Minimal Composite Higgs Model

Fermion masses and couplings: partial compositeness

Higgs transforms non-linearly under  $G$ .

⇒ no Yukawa interaction if fermion are elementary (transform linearly).

Possible solution: mix elementary fermions with composite resonances.

Composite fermions ( $SO(4)$  rep.)

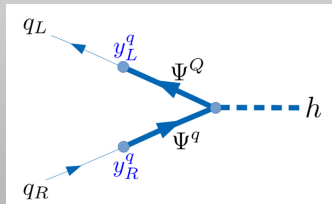
Elementary fermions ( $SO(5)$  rep.)

$$q_L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(id_L, d_L, iu_L, -u_L, 0)^T$$

$$q_R = (0, 0, 0, 0, u_R)^T$$

$$\Psi^Q = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} iB - iX_{5/3} \\ B + X_{5/3} \\ iT + iX_{2/3} \\ -T + X_{2/3} \end{pmatrix}, \Psi^q = \tilde{T}^c$$

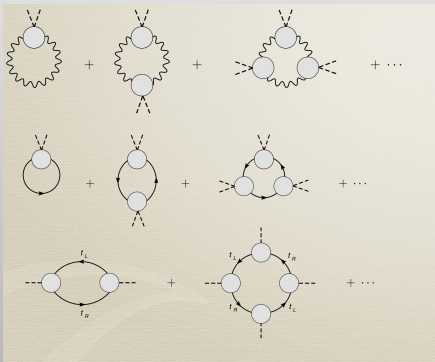
'dress' them to get  $SO(5)$  rep.



# Minimal Composite Higgs Model

Up to now: Higgs als Nambu-Goldstone bosons, thus massless. But:

- ▶ Only the **electroweak group is gauged**, not the full  $SO(5) \times U(1)_X$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  global symmetry explicitly broken by electroweak gauge symmetries.
- ▶ Elementary fermions are embedded in **incomplete**  $SO(5)$  reps.  
 $\Rightarrow$  global symmetry explicitly broken by partial compositeness.



Explicit breaking induces a Higgs potential

$$V(h) \simeq \alpha \cos\left(\frac{h}{f}\right) - \beta \sin^2\left(\frac{h}{f}\right)$$

Minimum at

$$\xi = \sin^2\left(\frac{v}{f}\right) = 1 - \left(\frac{\alpha}{2\beta}\right)^2 \simeq \left(\frac{v}{f}\right)^2$$

# Generic Composite Higgs set-up

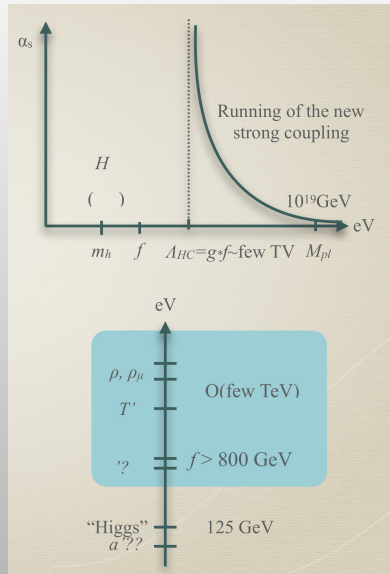
Possible solution to hierarchy problem

- ▶ Generate a scale  $\Lambda_{HC} \ll M_{pl}$  through a new confining gauge group
- ▶ Interpret Higgs as a pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone boson (pNGB) of a spontaneously broken global symmetry of the new strong sector

(Georgi, Kaplan, PLB **136** (1984), 136)

'Price' to pay

- ▶ additional resonances at the scale  $\Lambda_{HC}$  (vectors, vector-like fermions, scalars)
- ▶ additional light pNGBs/ extended scalar sector
- ▶ deviations of the Higgs couplings from their SM values of  $O(v/f)$



(thanks to T. Flacke)

# Towards underlying models

A wish list to construct and classify candidate models:

Gerghetta et al (2015), Ferretti et al. PLB (2014), PRD 94 (2016), JHEP 1701.094

Underlying models of a composite Higgs should

- ▶ contain no elementary scalars (otherwise there would be again a hierarchy problem)
- ▶ have a simple hyper-color group
- ▶ have a Higgs candidate amongst the pNGBs
- ▶ have a top-partner amongst its bound states (for top mass via partial compositeness)
- ▶ satisfy further 'standard' consistency conditions (asymptotic freedom, no gauge anomalies)

The resulting models have several common features:

- ▶ All models predict pNGBs beyond the Higgs multiplet
- ▶ All models contain several top partner multiplets

## List of "minimal" CHM UV embeddings

$G_{\text{HC}}$	$\psi$	$\chi$	Restrictions	$-q_x/q_\psi$	$Y_x$	Non Conformal	Model Name
	Real	Real	$SU(5)/SO(5) \times SU(6)/SO(6)$				
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{S}_2$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} \geq 55$	$\frac{5(N_{\text{HC}}+2)}{6}$	1/3	/	
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{Ad}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} \geq 15$	$\frac{5(N_{\text{HC}}-2)}{6}$	1/3	/	
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 7, 9$	$\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{12}$	1/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 7, 9$	M1, M2
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 7, 9$	$\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{3}$	2/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 7, 9$	M3, M4
	Real	Pseudo-Real	$SU(5)/SO(5) \times SU(6)/Sp(6)$				
$Sp(2N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{Ad}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$2N_{\text{HC}} \geq 12$	$\frac{5(N_{\text{HC}}+1)}{3}$	1/3	/	
$Sp(2N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$2N_{\text{HC}} \geq 4$	$\frac{5(N_{\text{HC}}-1)}{3}$	1/3	$2N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	M5
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 11, 13$	$\frac{5}{24}, \frac{5}{48}$	1/3	/	
	Real	Complex	$SU(5)/SO(5) \times SU(3)^2/SU(3)$				
$SU(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$3 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	$\frac{5}{3}$	1/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	M6
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$3 \times (\mathbf{Spin}, \bar{\mathbf{Spin}})$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 10, 14$	$\frac{5}{12}, \frac{5}{48}$	1/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 10$	M7
	Pseudo-Real	Real	$SU(4)/Sp(4) \times SU(6)/SO(6)$				
$Sp(2N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$2N_{\text{HC}} \leq 36$	$\frac{1}{3(N_{\text{HC}}-1)}$	2/3	$2N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	M8
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 11, 13$	$\frac{8}{3}, \frac{16}{3}$	2/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 11$	M9
	Complex	Real	$SU(4)^2/SU(4) \times SU(6)/SO(6)$				
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{Spin}, \bar{\mathbf{Spin}})$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 10$	$\frac{8}{3}$	2/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 10$	M10
$SU(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	$\frac{2}{3}$	2/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	M11
	Complex	Complex	$SU(4)^2/SU(4) \times SU(3)^2/SU(3)$				
$SU(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$3 \times (\mathbf{A}_2, \bar{\mathbf{A}}_2)$	$N_{\text{HC}} \geq 5$	$\frac{4}{3(N_{\text{HC}}-2)}$	2/3	$N_{\text{HC}} = 5$	M12
$SU(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$3 \times (\mathbf{S}_2, \bar{\mathbf{S}}_2)$	$N_{\text{HC}} \geq 5$	$\frac{4}{3(N_{\text{HC}}+2)}$	2/3	/	

A. Belyaev et al. JHEP **01** (2017), 094

# Notation and procedure

Fields	Spin	$SU(3)_c$	$U(1)_{em}$
$S_i^0$	0	<b>1</b>	0
$S_i^\pm$	0	<b>1</b>	$\pm 1$
$S_i^{\pm\pm}$	0	<b>1</b>	$\pm 2$
$\pi_r^q$	0	<b>r</b>	$q$
$T$	1/2	<b>3</b>	2/3
$B$	1/2	<b>3</b>	-1/3
$X$	1/2	<b>3</b>	5/3

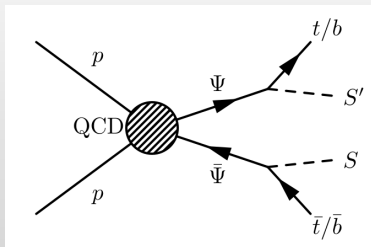
We use in the following

- ▶ generated events using `MadGraph5_aMC@NLO`, hadronized with `Pythia8`
- ▶ recast tools
  - ▶ `MadAnalysis5`, event reconstruction using `Delphes 3` and the anti- $k_T$  algorithm implemented in `FastJet`
  - ▶ SM measurements implemented in `Rivet`, exclusions `Contur`

for details see A. Banerjee *et al.*, arXiv:2203.07270 (hep-ph)



# Vector-like quarks



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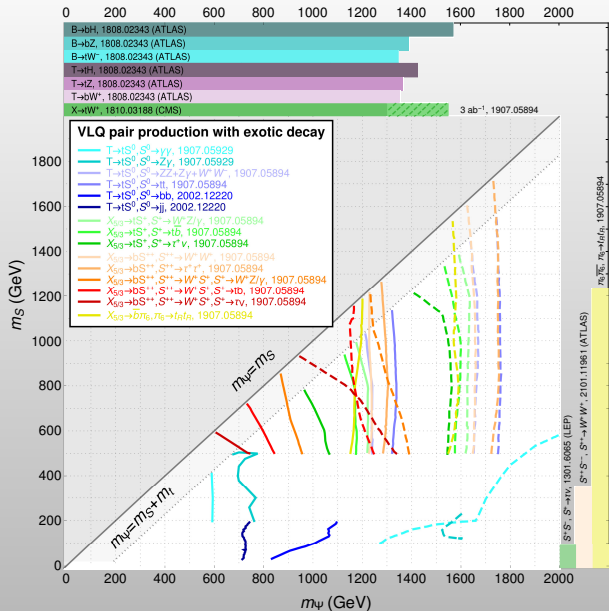
- ▶  $\Psi = B, T, X$
- ▶  $S, S' = S_i^0, S_i^\pm, S_i^{\pm\pm}, \pi_6^q, \pi_8$

'standard' signatures

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{5/3} &\rightarrow tW^+ \\
 T &\rightarrow bW^+, tZ, th \\
 B &\rightarrow tW^-
 \end{aligned}$$

examples of 'new' signatures

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{5/3} &\rightarrow \bar{t}S^{++} \rightarrow \bar{b}W^+W^+ \text{ or } \bar{b}\bar{b}tW^+\gamma \\
 T &\rightarrow tS^0 \rightarrow t\gamma\gamma \text{ or } t\bar{t} \\
 B &\rightarrow tS^- \rightarrow tW^-\gamma \text{ or } t\bar{t}b
 \end{aligned}$$



full lines: 95% CL limits in the  $\{m_\Psi, m_S\}$  plane for VLQs decaying to new pNGBs using  $\sim 36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

dashed lines: same but projections for HL-LHC

A. Banerjee *et al.*, arXiv:2203.07270 (hep-ph)

# Example M5: $HC = Sp(4), SU(5) \times SU(6)/SO(5) \times Sp(6)$

## pNGBs:

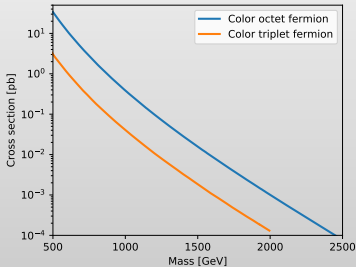
electroweak:	$SO(5)$	$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$	states
	14	$(1,1) + (2,2) + (3,3)$	$\eta, H, \eta_1^0, \eta_3^{+,0,-}, \eta_3^{++,+,0,-,--}$
			$(S_i^0 = \eta, \eta_{1,3,5}^0, S_i^+ = \eta_{3,5}^+, S^{++} = \eta_5^{++})$
strong:	$Sp(6)$	$SU(3)_C \times U(1)_{em}$	states
	14	$3_{2/3} + \bar{3}_{-2/3} + 8_0$	$\pi_3, \pi_3^*, \pi_8$

## fermionic bound states:

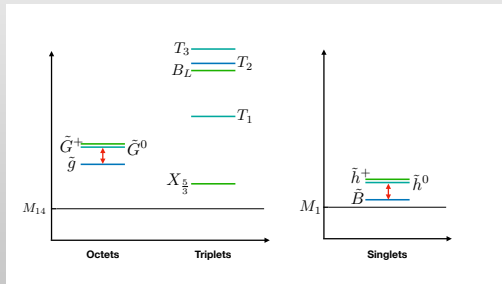
$SO(5) \times Sp(6)$	$SU(3)_L \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ / names				
$(\mathbf{5}, \mathbf{14})$	$(3, 2)_{7/6}$	$(3, 2)_{1/6}$	$(8, 2)_{1/2}$	$(3, 1)_{2/3}$	$(8, 1)_0$
	$(X_{5/3}, X_{3,2})$	$(T_L, B_L)$	$(\tilde{G}^+, \tilde{G}^0)$	$T_R$	$\tilde{g}$
$(\mathbf{5}, \mathbf{1})$	$(1, 2)_{1/2}$	$(1, 1)_0$			
	$(\tilde{H}^+, \tilde{H}^0)$	$\tilde{B}$			

$\tilde{g}$  and  $\tilde{B}$  are Majorana fermions, all other are Dirac fermions

# Hyper-baryons (top-partners)



**3 @ NLO, 8 @ NNLO<sub>approx</sub>+NNLL**  
 G. Cacciapaglia *et al.*,  
 arXiv:2112.00019



**Assumption:** 1) fermions within an  $SO(5) \times Sp(6)$  multiplet have about the same mass  
mass splitting due to SM gauge interactions

2)  $\tilde{B}$  is stable

$\Rightarrow$  **LHC:** 1) fermionic color octets have largest cross section

2) events with large missing  $p_T$

Possible decays:

$$\begin{array}{l} \tilde{g} \rightarrow t \pi_3^*, \bar{t} \pi_3 \\ \rightarrow \tilde{B} \pi_8 \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} \tilde{G}^0 \rightarrow \bar{t} \pi_3 \\ \rightarrow \tilde{H}^0 \pi_8 \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} \tilde{G}^+ \rightarrow \bar{b} \pi_3 \\ \rightarrow \tilde{H}^+ \pi_8 \end{array} \right.$$

$\tilde{H}^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \tilde{B}, \tilde{H}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \tilde{B}$  with very soft pions

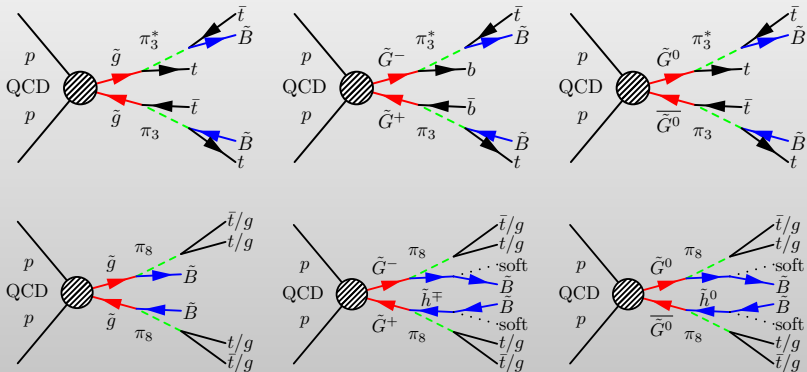
$$\begin{array}{l} \pi_3 \rightarrow t \tilde{B} \\ (\rightarrow t \nu) \\ (\rightarrow \bar{s} \bar{d}) \end{array} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} \pi_8 \rightarrow g g \\ \rightarrow t \bar{t} \\ (\rightarrow q \bar{q}, q = u, d, s, c, b) \end{array}$$

Bounds on  $\pi_3$ :  $\tilde{t}_R$  searches,  $\simeq 1.3 \text{ TeV}^\dagger$

$\pi_8$ :  $\simeq 1.1 \text{ TeV}^*$

$^\dagger$  (ATLAS, arXiv:2102.01444 (hep-ex); CMS, arXiv:2107.10892 (hep-ex))

\* G. Cacciapaglia et al., arXiv:2002.01474 (hep-ph)



# Recast of existing LHC analyses

LHC signatures:

- ▶  $4 t + \text{missing } p_T$
- ▶  $3 t + j + \text{missing } p_T$
- ▶  $2 t + 2 j + \text{missing } p_T$
- ▶  $t + 3 j + \text{missing } p_T$
- ▶  $4 j + \text{missing } p_T$

In all cases: additional soft pions possible.

Use existing recast tools for SUSY searches to get bounds on

$\tilde{g}, \tilde{G}^0, \tilde{G}^+ (= Q_8 \text{ if summed over all states})$

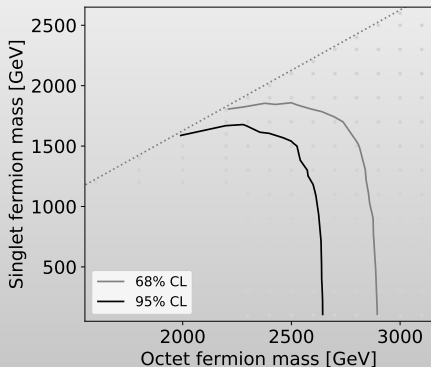
- ▶ MADANALYSIS 5, E. Conte and B. Fuks, arXiv:1808.00480 (hep-ph)
- ▶ CHECKMATE 2, D. Dercks et al. arXiv:1611.09856 (hep-ph)

Have different analyses implemented, have one relevant in common with reasonable agreement

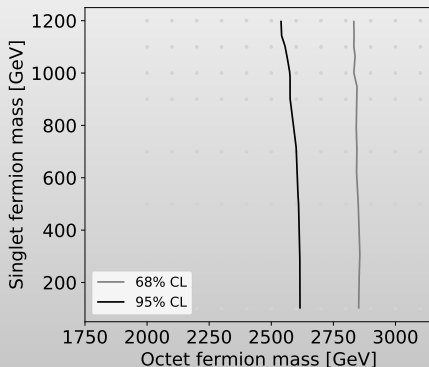
MADANALYSIS 5 gives in this particular case the stronger bounds

Cross sections: NNLOapprox + NNLL, from <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/SUSYCrossSections13TeVgluglu>

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Octet decays with 100% decays into  $\pi_3$ 

$$m_{Q_8} - m_{\pi_3} = 200 \text{ GeV}$$

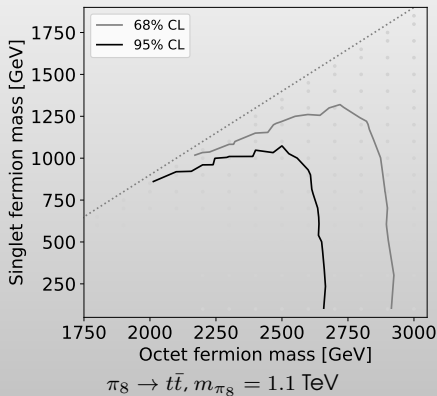
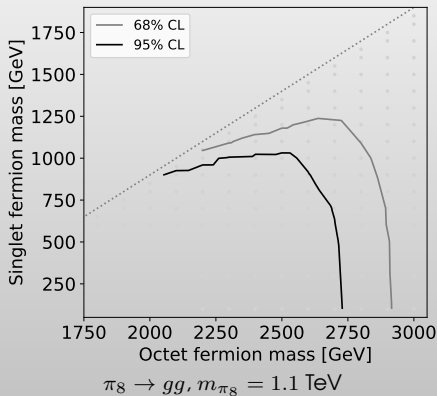


$$m_{\pi_3} = 1.4 \text{ TeV}$$

G. Cacciapaglia *et al.*, arXiv:2112.00019



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Example M5:  $HC = Sp(4), SU(5) \times SU(6)/SO(5) \times Sp(6)$

Field content of the underlying model

	$Sp(4)$	$SU(3)_C$	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$	$SU(5)$	$SU(6)$	$U(1)$
$\psi_{1,2}$	$\begin{array}{ c } \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}$	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	$1/2$	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	$-\frac{3q_\chi}{5(N_c-1)}$
$\psi_{3,4}$	$\begin{array}{ c } \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}$	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	$-1/2$			
$\psi_5$	$\begin{array}{ c } \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}$	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	$0$			
$\chi_1$ $\chi_2$ $\chi_3$	$\begin{array}{ c } \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}$	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	$-x$	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	$q_\chi$
$\chi_4$ $\chi_5$ $\chi_6$	$\begin{array}{ c } \hline \square \\ \hline \end{array}$	$\bar{\mathbf{3}}$	<b>1</b>	$x$			

pNGBs: electroweak  $SU(5)/SO(5) : 14 \xrightarrow{SO(5) \supset SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R} (1, 1) + (2, 2) + (3, 3)$

strong  $SU(6)/Sp(6) : 14 \xrightarrow{Sp(6) \supset SU(3)_C} 3 + \bar{3} + 8$

'baryonic' bound states of the model

	$SU(5) \times SU(6)$	$SO(5) \times Sp(6)$	$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
$\psi\chi\chi$	<b>(5, 15)</b>	<b>(5, 14)</b> <b>+(5, 1)</b>	$(3, 2)_{7/6}, (3, 2)_{1/6}, (8, 2)_{1/2}, (3, 1)_{2/3}, + \text{h.c.} + (8, 1)_0$ $(1, 2)_{1/2}, (1, 2)_{-1/2}, (1, 1)$
	<b>(5, 21)</b>	<b>(5, 21)</b>	$(6, 2)_{7/6}, (6, 2)_{1/6}, (8, 2)_{1/2}, (6, 1)_{2/3}, + \text{h.c.} + (8, 1)_0$
$\psi\chi\bar{\chi}$	<b>(5, 35)</b>	<b>(5, 14)</b> <b>+(5, 21)</b>	...
	<b>(5, 1)</b>	<b>(5, 1)</b>	...

We fixed  $\chi$  to get  $(3, 2)_{1/6}$  and  $(3, 1)_{2/3}$

# 'Dressing' of operators I

- ▶ SM fermions form incomplete representations of  $G$
- ▶ need Goldstone matrices to get interactions between SM-fermions ( $\in G$ ) and hyper-baryons ( $\in H$ )

$$\Sigma_i(x) = e^{\Pi(x)/f_i} \Sigma_{0,i} \xrightarrow{G} g \Sigma_i h(g, \Pi), \quad g \in G, h \in H$$

$$i = \psi \rightarrow G = SU(5), H = SO(5) \quad \text{and} \quad i = \chi \rightarrow G = SU(6), H = Sp(6)$$

Example

$$\Psi_{14} = \begin{pmatrix} -Q_3^c & -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} Q_8^a \lambda^a \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} Q_8^a (\lambda^a)^T & -Q_3 \end{pmatrix},$$

Each component  $Q_3$  and  $Q_8$  also transform as  $\mathbf{5}$  of  $SO(5)$ :

$$Q_3 = (X_{5/3}, X_{2/3}, T_L, B_L, iT_R)^T,$$

$$Q_3^c = (B_L^c, -T_L^c, -X_{2/3}^c, X_{5/3}^c, -iT_R^c)^T,$$

$$Q_8 = (\tilde{G}_u^+, \tilde{G}_u^0, \tilde{G}_d^0, \tilde{G}_d^-, i\tilde{g})^T,$$

SM-quarks in  $\bar{\mathbf{5}}$  of  $SU(5)$

$$\zeta_L = (b_L, -t_L, 0, 0, 0),$$

$$\zeta_R = (0, 0, 0, 0, -it_R^c).$$

# 'Dressing' of operators II

embed SM-quarks in  $\overline{\mathbf{15}} (\bar{A})$  of  $SU(6)$

$$\zeta_{L,\bar{A}} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{ijk}\zeta_{L,k} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \zeta_{R,\bar{A}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^{ijk}\zeta_R^k \end{pmatrix},$$

and now hyper-baryons in  $(\mathbf{5}, \mathbf{15})$  of  $SU(5) \times SU(6)$

$$\mathcal{O}_{A,14} = \Sigma_\chi (\Sigma_\psi \cdot \Psi_{14}) \Sigma_\chi^T, \quad \mathcal{O}_{A,1} = (U_\psi \cdot Q_1) U_\chi \cdot \Sigma_{\chi,0} \cdot U_\chi^T$$

⇒ able to construct terms for Lagrangian

$$y_L \mathcal{O}_{A,14} \zeta_{L,\bar{A}} = y_L \left( \frac{1}{2} \zeta_{L,i} \cdot Q_{3,i}^c - \frac{\sqrt{2}i}{4f_\chi} \pi_{3,i}^* \lambda_{ij}^a \zeta_{L,j} \cdot Q_8^a - \frac{\sqrt{2}i}{4f_\chi} \pi_8^a \lambda_{ij}^a \zeta_{L,j} \cdot Q_{3,i}^c \right. \\ \left. + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_\chi^2) + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_\psi) \right),$$

$$y_R \mathcal{O}_{A,14} \zeta_{R,\bar{A}} = y_R \left( \frac{1}{2} \zeta_{R,i} \cdot Q_{3,i} - \frac{\sqrt{2}i}{4f_\chi} \pi_{3,i} \lambda_{ij}^a \zeta_{R,j} \cdot Q_8^a - \frac{\sqrt{2}i}{4f_\chi} \pi_8^a \lambda_{ij}^a \zeta_{R,j} \cdot Q_{3,i} \right. \\ \left. + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_\chi^2) + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_\psi) \right),$$

$SU(5)$  contractions

$$\zeta_L \cdot Q_3^c = B_L^c b_L + T_L^c t_L, \quad \zeta_L \cdot Q_8 = \tilde{G}_u^+ b_L - \tilde{G}_u^0 t_L, \quad \zeta_R \cdot Q_3 = t_R^c T_R, \quad \zeta_R \cdot Q_8 = t_R^c \tilde{g},$$

# 'Dressing' of operators III

alternative: embed SM-quarks in  $\mathbf{35}$  (D) of  $SU(6)$  and  $\mathbf{5}$  (D) of  $SU(5)$

$$\zeta_{L,D} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{ijk}\zeta_{L,k}^c & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \zeta_{R,D} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{ijk}\zeta_{R,k}^c \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\zeta_L^c = (0, 0, t_L, b_L, 0), \quad \zeta_R^c = (0, 0, 0, 0, it_R^c).$$

and now hyper-baryons in  $(\bar{\mathbf{5}}, \mathbf{35})$  of  $SU(5) \times SU(6)$

$$\mathcal{O}_{D,14} = U_\chi(\Psi_{14} \cdot U_\psi^\dagger)U_\chi^\dagger, \quad \mathcal{O}_{D,21} = U_\chi(\Psi_{21} \cdot U_\psi^\dagger)U_\chi^\dagger,$$

with

$$\Psi_{21} = \begin{pmatrix} -Q_6 & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}Q_8'^a \lambda^a + Q_1' \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}Q_8'^a (\lambda^a)^T + Q_1' & -Q_6^c \end{pmatrix}.$$

$\Rightarrow$  terms for Lagrangian

$$y_L' \zeta_{L,D} \mathcal{O}_{D,14} = y_L' \left( \frac{1}{2} \zeta_{L,i} \cdot Q_{3,i}^c + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_\chi^2) + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_\psi) \right),$$

$$y_R' \zeta_{R,D} \mathcal{O}_{D,14} = y_R' \left( \frac{1}{2} \zeta_{R,i} \cdot Q_{3,i} + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_\chi^2) + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_\psi) \right),$$

challenge: octets and sextets do not have linear couplings to pNGBs

$\Rightarrow$  completely changed phenomenology, e.g. dominant octet decays like

$$\tilde{g} \rightarrow \pi_8 \pi_3^* t_R$$

## Required parts

given

- ▶  $G_{HC}$  gauge group of additional fermions  $\chi, \psi$
- ▶  $G$  unbroken global group,  $H$  unbroken subgroup which contains SM gauge group as subgroup

required tasks

- ▶ determine SM quantum numbers of pNGBs & embedding of SM in  $H$
- ▶ find  $G_{HC}$  singlets of  $\chi\chi\psi$  combinations which can serve as top-partners
- ▶ embed SM-fermions in incomplete  $G$  representations
- ▶ determine Lagrangian including terms with  $\dim > 4$ , include also anomaly terms
- ▶ extend SARAH to cope with terms with  $\dim > 4$
- ▶ extend tree-level decay routines to include the corresponding higher-dimensional coupling

group theory part: use `GroupMath` by R.M. Fonseca, arXiv:2011.01764 (hep-th)

generic problem with MC like MadGraph: 3-body (or even 4-body) decays or decays via higher-dimensional operators (e.g. anomaly terms)

## Conclusions:

- ▶ Composite Higgs models provide a viable solution to the hierarchy problem but they still provide many challenges and room for exploration in theory and model-building.
- ▶ In general:
  - ▶ several pNGBs, also in the strongly interacting sector
  - ▶ fermionic bound states: not only color triplets, but also for example octets and singlets
  - ▶ **bounds depend strongly on possible decay modes**
- ▶ taking the so-called M5-model: color octets among the top-partners  
bounds of up to 2.7 TeV in case of simplified assumptions

## Outlook:

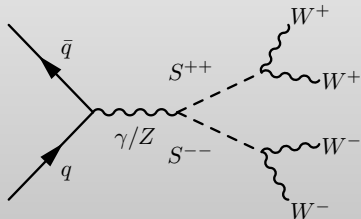
- ▶ write another module for SARAH to generate Lagrangian for Composite Higgs models
- ▶ extend (or rewrite) SARAH to treat higher dimensional operators in the Lagrangian
- ▶ extend library of (tree-level) decay functions

# electroweak pNGBs

$$pp \rightarrow S_i^{\pm\pm} S_j^{\mp\mp}, S_i^{\pm} S_j^0, S_i^{++} S_j^{--}, S_i^+ S_j^-, S_i^0 S_j^0$$

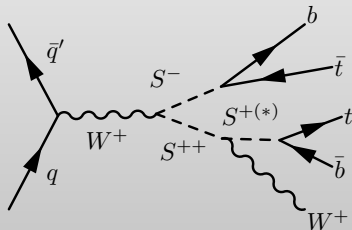
two limiting scenarios

fermiophobic



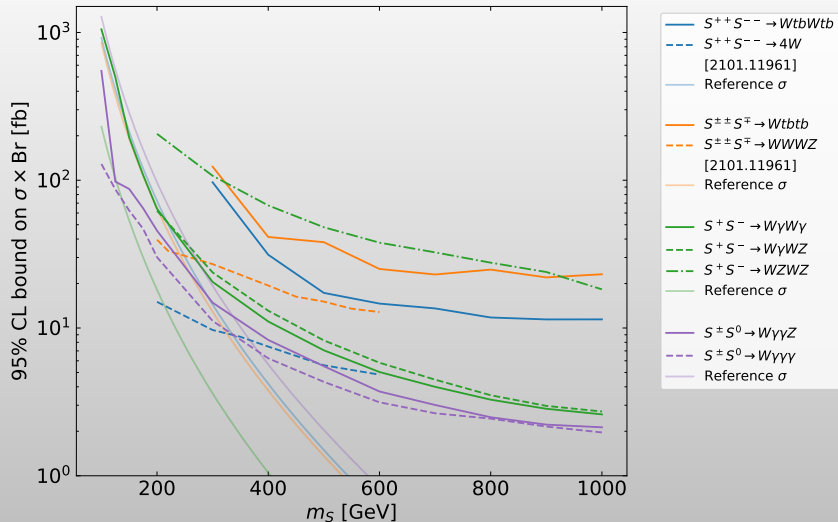
$$\begin{aligned} S_i^{++} &\rightarrow W^+ W^+ \\ S_i^+ &\rightarrow W^+ \gamma, W^+ Z \\ S_i^0 &\rightarrow W^+ W^-, \gamma\gamma, \gamma Z, ZZ. \end{aligned}$$

fermiophil



$$\begin{aligned} S^{++} &\rightarrow W^+ t\bar{b}, \\ S^+ &\rightarrow t\bar{b}, \\ S^0 &\rightarrow t\bar{t}, b\bar{b}. \end{aligned}$$





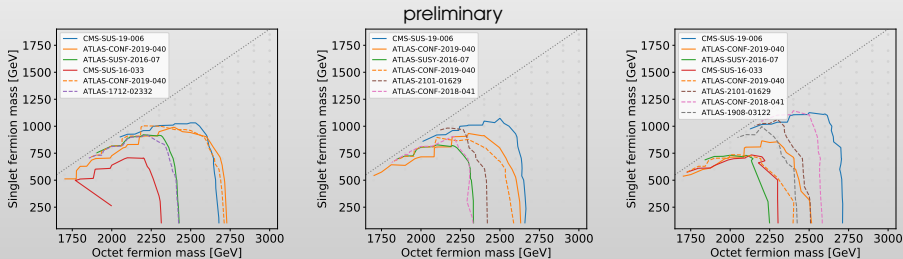
A. Banerjee *et al.*, arXiv:2203.07270 (hep-ph)

The reference cross sections  $\sigma$  for pair production are calculated for  $\eta_5$  of  $M_5$ .

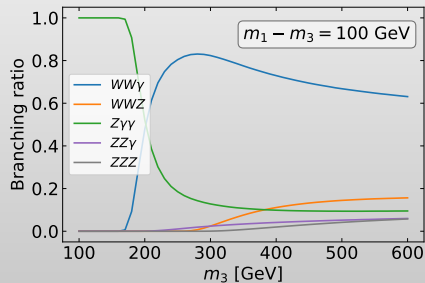
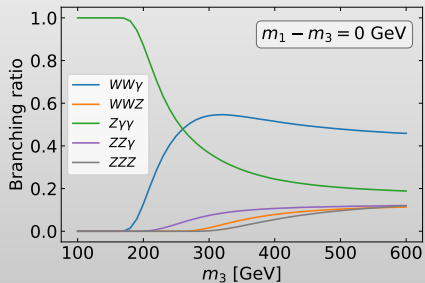
# relevant analyses for pNGBs in the fermiophiopc scenario

Contur pool	Description	final state(s)
ATLAS-13-LL-GAMMA	dilepton and $\geq 1$ photon	$W\gamma W\gamma,$
ATLAS-13-GAMMA	inclusive multiphotons	$W\gamma W\gamma, W\gamma WZ$ $W\gamma\gamma\gamma$
ATLAS-13-GAMMA-MET	photon and MET	$W\gamma WZ$
ATLAS-13-4L	four leptons	$WZWZ$
ATLAS-13-L1L2METJET	unlike dilepton, MET and jets	$W\gamma W\gamma, WZWZ$
ATLAS-13-MMJET	$\mu^+\mu^-$ at the $Z$ pole, plus optional jets	$WZWZ$
CMS-13-EEJET	$e^+e^-$ at the $Z$ pole, plus optional jets	$WZWZ$
CMS-13-MMJET	$\mu^+\mu^-$ at the $Z$ pole, plus optional jets	$WZWZ$

## Contribution of different searches



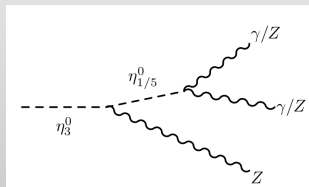
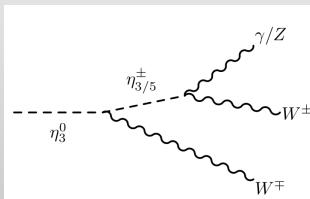
Comparison of the bounds at 95% CL obtained from different searches implemented in MADANALYSIS 5 (solid lines) and CHECKMATE 2 (dashed lines).

Decays of  $\eta_3^0$ A. Banerjee *et al.*, arXiv:2203.07270 (hep-ph)

# Electroweak pNGBs

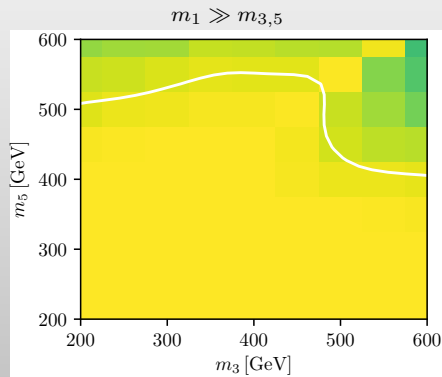
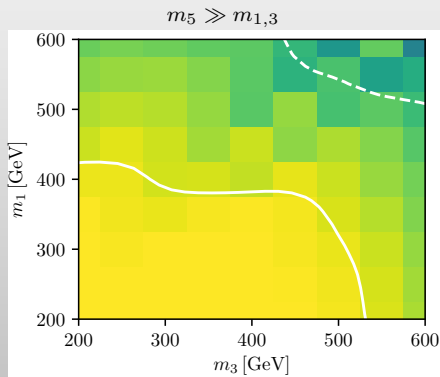
focus on leptophobic scenario

- ▶ assume custodial multiplets are mass-degenerate
- ▶ light multiplet decays only via anomaly terms, except  $\eta_3^0$  which does not couple to the anomaly, but



- ▶ for the heavier custodial multiplets: decays into (off-shell) vector bosons + lighter multiplet, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_3^+ &\rightarrow \eta_5^{++} W^{-(*)}, \eta_5^+ Z^{(*)}, \eta_5^0 W^{+(*)}, \eta_1^0 W^{+(*)}; \\ \eta_3^0 &\rightarrow \eta_5^\pm W^\mp^{(*)}, \eta_5^0 Z^{(*)}, \eta_1^0 Z^{(*)}. \end{aligned}$$

Current bounds based on analyses in `Contur`

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full (dashed) lines represent the  $2-\sigma$  ( $1-\sigma$ ) exclusion