Status of negative coupling modifiers for extended Higgs sectors

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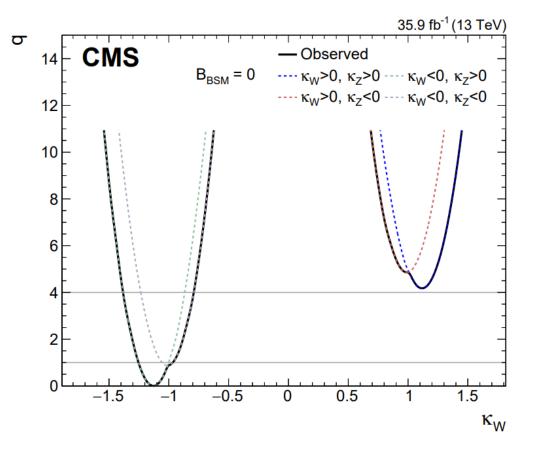


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Introduction

- The LHC shows that corrections from new physics appear to be small.
- This could be an artifact of the way we are accessing information. Lose information on the sign of couplings!
- The CMS* fits for ratios of coupling modifiers prefers negative λ_{WZ} !
- What if we take this result seriously. What models can generate $\lambda_{WZ} = {}^{\kappa_W}/{}_{\kappa_Z} \sim -1$?
- $\lambda_{WZ} = \kappa_W / \kappa_Z \sim -1$ implies large custodial violation!



Custodial Symmetry in the SM and BSM

- Custodial symmetry is an accidental global $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ symmetry of the Higgs sector.
- Softly broken by hypercharge and Yukawa.
- The ratios of charged and neutral currents are equal at tree-level in the SM:

$$\rho = \frac{m_W^2}{c_W^2 m_Z^2} = 1$$

• New scalars contributing to the EWSB can affect the $\,
ho$ parameter at tree-level:

$$\rho = \frac{\sum_{i} (t_i(t_i + 1) - t_{3i}^2) v_i^2}{2 \sum_{i} t_{3i}^2 v_i^2}$$

Custodial Symmetry in the SM and BSM

- Scalar extensions of the SM can preserve ρ at tree-level if they are representations of $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$.
- We can include any number of doublets and for higher representations we have the Georgi-Machacek model and its extensions:

$$(\chi^{++}, \chi^{+}, \chi^{0}) \qquad (\xi^{+}, \xi^{0}, \xi^{-})$$

$$Y = 2 \qquad Y = 0$$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} \chi^{0*} & \xi^{+} & \chi^{++} \\ -\chi^{+*} & \xi^{0} & \chi^{+} \\ \chi^{++*} & -\xi^{+*} & \chi^{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V(\Phi, X) = \frac{\mu_2^2}{2} \text{Tr}(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi) + \frac{\mu_3^2}{2} \text{Tr}(X^{\dagger}X) + \lambda_1 [\text{Tr}(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi)]^2 + \lambda_2 \text{Tr}(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi) \text{Tr}(X^{\dagger}X)$$
$$+ \lambda_3 \text{Tr}(X^{\dagger}XX^{\dagger}X) + \lambda_4 [\text{Tr}(X^{\dagger}X)]^2 - \lambda_5 \text{Tr}(\Phi^{\dagger}\tau^a \Phi \tau^b) \text{Tr}(X^{\dagger}t^a X t^b)$$
$$- M_1 \text{Tr}(\Phi^{\dagger}\tau^a \Phi \tau^b) (UXU^{\dagger})_{ab} - M_2 \text{Tr}(X^{\dagger}t^a X t^b) (UXU^{\dagger})_{ab}.$$

Custodial Symmetry in the SM and BSM

- Custodial preserving models avoid the strong bounds on ρ , but at the same time we have $\lambda_{WZ} = 1$.
- In general, any contribution for κ_W and κ_V comes from the diagonalization of the different multiplets:

$$h = R_0 \varphi_0^R + R_1 \psi_1^R + R_2 \psi_2^R + \cdots$$

$$\kappa_V^h = R_0 \kappa_V^{doublet} + R_1 \kappa_V^{multiplet 1} + R_2 \kappa_V^{multiplet 2}$$

• If we want a custodial violating relation for the coupling modifiers, we need custodial violation in the **potential**. If we want $\rho = 1$ we need custodial preserving **vacuum**. We can have both!

Accidentally Custodial triplets

- The vector \vec{R} comes from the diagonalization matrix and is a real unit vector. We can treat this in a "model-independent" way if we assume that \vec{R} is a random unit vector and the vevs also live in a random vector which is normalized to be the EW vacuum: $v^2 = v_{\varphi}^2 + 8v_X^2$
- Parameter point \rightarrow V(point) $\rightarrow \vec{R}$
- A random \vec{R} may or not be realized in the model, but for every parameter point we have one specific \vec{R} .
- If we exclude every \vec{R} then this region of parameter space is also excluded in the model. If there is a region of \vec{R} allowed, then we need to perform model-dependent calculations to check if this region is populated in the model.

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Generalization for different multiplets

- Any model with a custodial limit can contribute to λ_{WZ} while avoiding the ρ parameter.
- The particle content of those models can be constructed from the generalized Georgi-Machacek models*, which we can break down into SU(2) x U(1) quantum numbers:
- AC triplets: one field with (1,2) and one with (1,0)
- AC quartets: one field with (3/2,3) and one with (3/2,1)
- AC pentets: one field with (2,4), one with (2,2) and one with (2,0)
- AC sextets: one field with (5/2,5), one with (5/2,3) and one with (5/2,1)

Generalization for different multiplets

• Perturbative unitarity constraints the number of allowed models, assuming one doublet we can have 4487 possibilities.

$$a_0(T) = \frac{g^2}{16\pi} \frac{\sqrt{n(n^2 - 1)}}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

- From these combinations, we can only have at most one AC sextet, four AC pentets, 23 AC quartets, or 145 AC triplets.
- Non-trivial contributions occurs only with multiplets which contribute for the EWSB.
 In the cases with a lot of multiplets, the strongest contribution comes from when all the multiplets have nearly degenerated vevs.

• We perform random numerical scans for each possible model where we fixed λ_{WZ} to be negative and conservatively allow it to be within the 5σ allowed region:

$$-1.44 \le \lambda_{WZ} \le -0.69$$

 We use ATLAS data since they provide correlations, but the same conclusions applies for the uncorrelated CMS data.

$$\kappa_{fZ} = \frac{\kappa_f \kappa_Z}{\kappa_h} \quad \lambda_{fZ} = \frac{\kappa_f}{\kappa_Z} \qquad (\lambda_{fZ}, \kappa_{fZ}) = (0.99, 0.98) \qquad \kappa_{fZ} = \kappa_f = \sqrt{0.75\kappa_f^2 + 0.22\kappa_W^2 + 0.03\kappa_Z^2} \qquad (\lambda_{fZ}, \kappa_{fZ}) = (0.99, 0.98) \qquad \kappa_{fZ} = \lambda_{fZ} = \lambda_{fZ} = \lambda_{WZ} =$$

CMS FIT (UNCORRELATED):

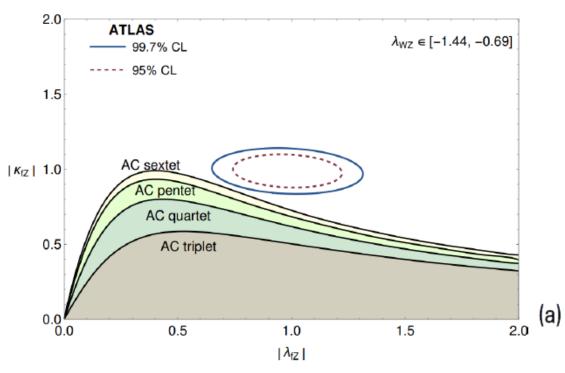
$$\kappa_{fZ} = 1.03 \pm 0.09$$

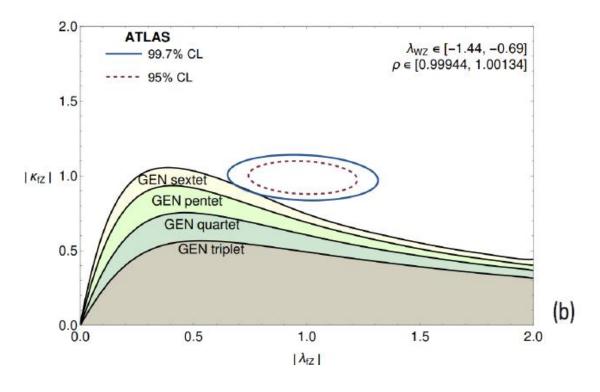
$$\lambda_{fZ} = 1.10 \pm 0.11$$

$$\lambda_{WZ} = -1.13^{+0.10}_{-0.11}$$

• We also performed scans allowing for custodial violation from the vacuum, again in a conservatively 5σ allowed region:

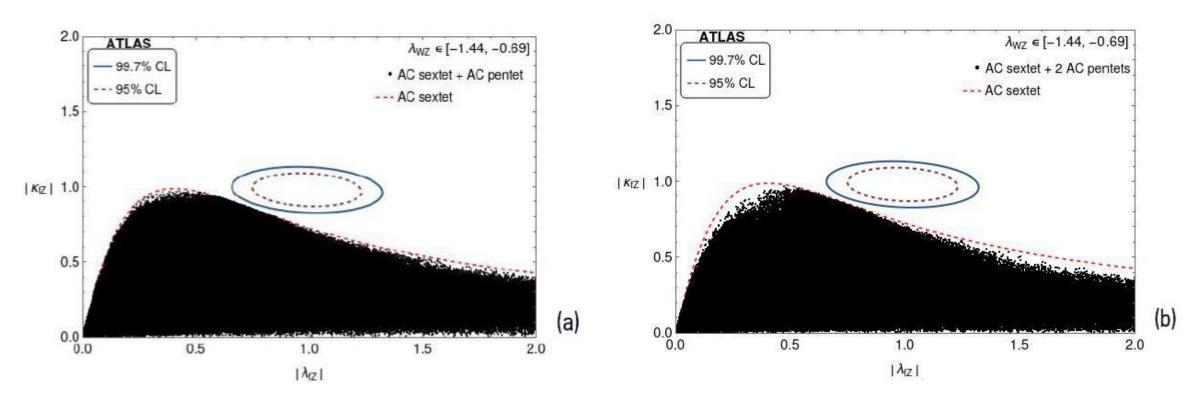
$$0.99944 \le \rho \le 1.00134$$





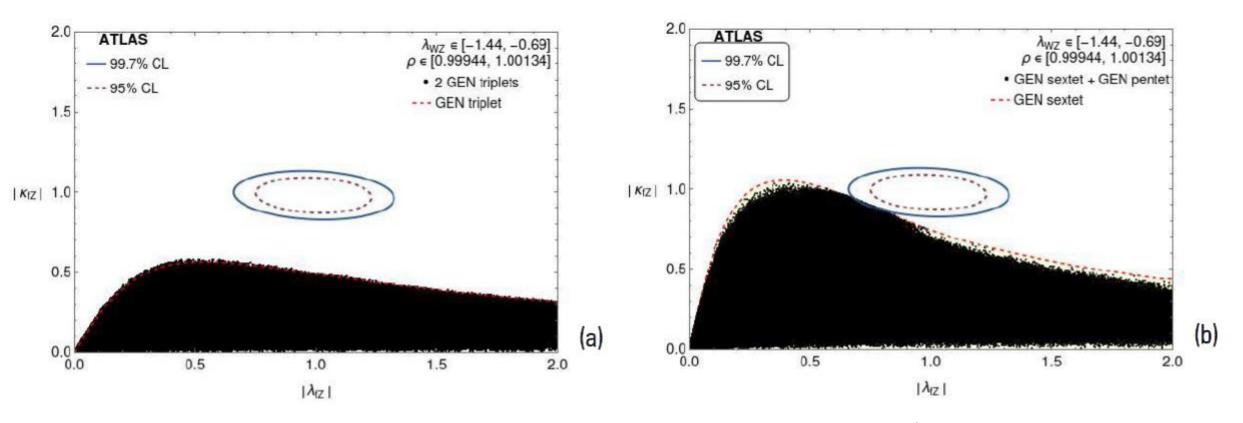
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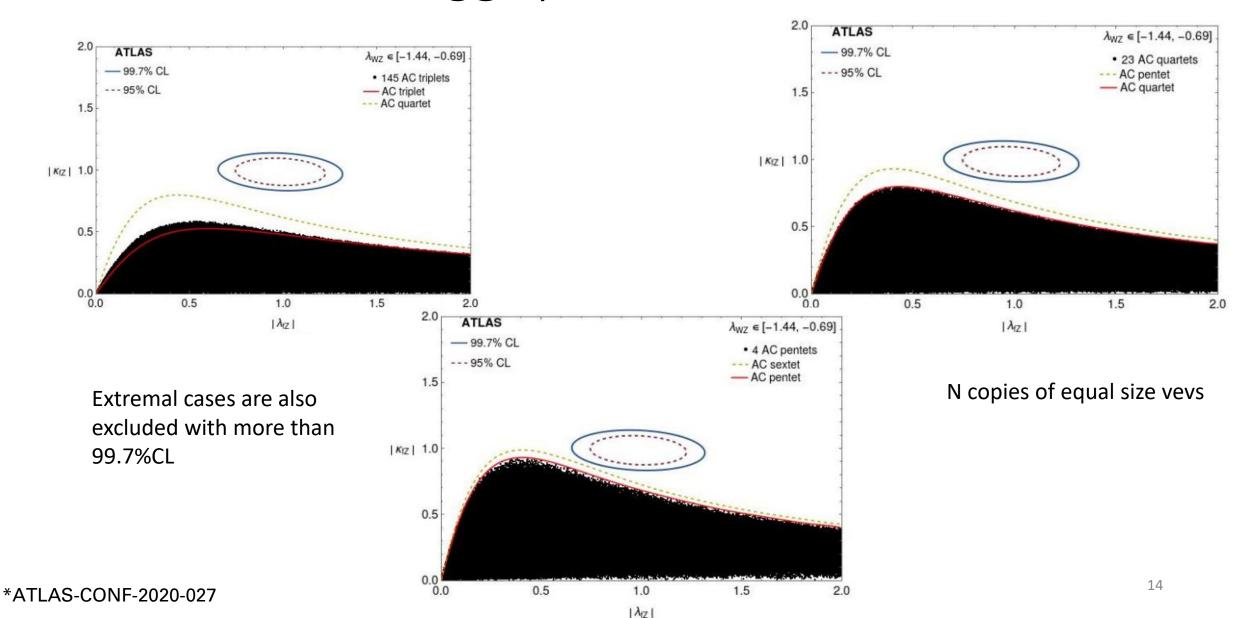
More multiplets is not better! Same behavior as the largest multiplet.

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General vevs also do not help, ρ bound is too strong even at 5σ .

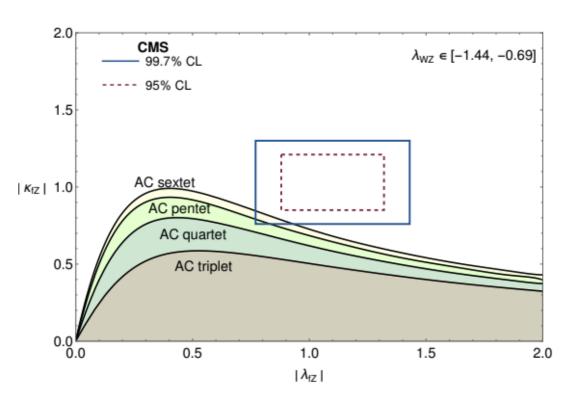
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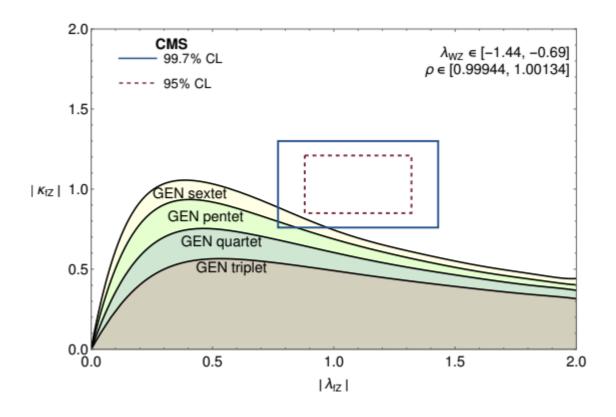


Conclusion

- In this work, we studied the current status of negative coupling modifiers in the extended Higgs sector, with the focus on the observable λ_{WZ} .
- We present the analysis for the simplest case of AC triplets, and then we show how to generalize the procedure to different multiplets.
- The possibility of exploring this wide range of models lies in the fact that the coupling modifiers, in the end, depend only on the diagonalization matrix and the vevs.
- Under the analysis done we can see that all the models with one or more AC multiplets studied here are **excluded** under ATLAS results at 99.7%CL (99.5%CL for GEN sextet).
- What does this mean for negative λ_{WZ} ?
- We can then say that this region of parameter space is heavily disfavored for any weakly coupling extended scalar sector.
- In contrast, if the measured value for CMS stays to be negative and different experiments confirm this, we would not be able to describe the new physics using the current methods.

Backup





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- The scan for models with too many multiplets can be difficult, since we need to populate the surface of a multi-dimensional sphere.
- However, since there are a limited number of possible multiplets, we can use the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality to re-write the vector R which lives in a sphere to a vector R which lives inside an ellipses:

$$\kappa_{V}^{h} = R_{1}\kappa_{V}^{\text{doublet}} + \left(R_{2}\kappa_{V}^{\text{multiplet 1}} + R_{3}\kappa_{V}^{\text{multiplet 2}}\right) + \left(R_{4}\kappa_{V}^{\text{multiplet 1}} + R_{5}\kappa_{V}^{\text{multiplet 2}}\right) + \dots =$$

$$= R_{1}\kappa_{V}^{\text{doublet}} + \left(R_{2} + R_{4} + \dots\right)\kappa_{V}^{\text{multiplet 1}} + \left(R_{3} + R_{5} + \dots\right)\kappa_{V}^{\text{multiplet 2}} =$$

$$= R_{1}\kappa_{V}^{\text{doublet}} + \tilde{R}_{2}\kappa_{V}^{\text{multiplet 1}} + \tilde{R}_{3}\kappa_{V}^{\text{multiplet 2}}$$

 Using these relations, we can simplify the parameter space and obtain the maximal contributions for the observables without having to resolve the degeneracy.

$$R_1^2 + \frac{\tilde{R}_2^2}{N} + \frac{\tilde{R}_3^2}{N} \le 1,$$
$$\left| \tilde{R}_2 \right| \le \sqrt{N}, \, \left| \tilde{R}_3 \right| \le \sqrt{N}.$$