# Discovering the composite Higgs through the decay of a heavy fermion

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### **Composite Higgs from a New Strong dynamics**

#### SOLUTION TO THE HIERARCHY PROBLEM

Georgi, Kaplan, 1984

Higgs mass not sensitive to radiative corrections above the compositeness scale (O(TeV)) [Analogy with the PION mass in QCD]
Further protection if it is also the pGB of a global symmetry in the strong sector



 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{STRONG EWSB}\\ \textbf{Sector}\\ \mathcal{G} \xrightarrow[\mathbf{H}]{} \mathcal{H}_1 \supset \mathcal{G}_{SM} \end{array}$ 

elementary/composite mixing

small rotation

light (SM) / heavy (NP) t, b, g, ... / T, B, G\*, ...

Heavier particles have larger degrees of compositeness

Strong couplings among composites  $g_{1*}, g_{2*}, g_{3*}, Y_* \gg g_{1}, g_{2}, g_{3}, Y$  $1 < Y_* << 4\pi$ 

### $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{elementary} + \mathcal{L}_{composite} + \mathcal{L}_{mixing}$

$$\mathcal{H} = (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_0^{\dagger} & \phi^+ \\ -\phi^- & \phi_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Single production of a heavy-bottom



## Higgs production from a Singly-produced heavy-bottom



- Sizable cross section
- Dependence on few parameters: A, m<sub>R</sub>
- Possibility to measure the  $\lambda$  coupling

# Other interesting Heavy-quark-mediated Higgs production mechanisms:

Double production

Azatov et al. arxiv:1204.0455



Less powerful than single production for highest values of the heavy fermion mass

Single production from a heavy gluon

Carmona, Chala, Santiago arxiv:1203.1488



Very interesting channel for the discovery of a heavy gluon (arxiv:1107.4558; 1110.6058; 1110.5914)

Could be very powerful but it is much more model dependent

They do not allow for a measure of the  $\lambda$  coupling

# Discovery analysis of the single production



Final state:  $pp \rightarrow l^{\pm} + n \, jets + \not\!\!E_T$ 

Main backgrounds

- wwbb+jets (mainly tt+jets events)
- wbb+jets
- w+jets

We impose:  $n \ge 4$ , At least 2 *b*-tag

With jets and leptons satisfying the acceptance cuts:

 $p_T \ j \ge 30 \,\text{GeV} \qquad |\eta_j| \le 5 \qquad \Delta R_{jj} \ge 0.4$  $p_T \ l \ge 20 \,\text{GeV} \qquad |\eta_l| \le 2.5 \qquad \Delta R_{jl} \ge 0.4$ 



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After the neutrino reconstruction, we select among all the possible Wj combinations the one with the inv. mass closest to the top mass

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The b directy-produced from the heavybottom is harder than the b's from the Higgs

> The *Higgs* resonance is reconstructed discarding from the heavy-bottom decay products the hardest jet among them 11

### Main Cuts

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They will be refined in a second step for the cases of heaviest bottom-prime





#### LHC Discovery Reach

With 30 fb-1

 $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ 



with mass up to 530 (650) GeV



• Wide discovery reach

• In the case of a heavy bottom as light as ~500 GeV the 14 TeV LHC would be sensitive to the measure of the  $\Lambda$  coupling in basically the full range,  $\Lambda > 1$ , predicted by the theory



### Channels of Higgs production from singly-produced heavy fermions

	Final state		Mediating heavy fermion		light for
	${f hbt+jets}$	$(W_L \text{ exchange})$	${egin{array}{c} { ilde B} \\ { ilde T} \end{array}$	$BR(\tilde{B} \to hb) \simeq 25\%$ $BR(\tilde{T} \to ht) \simeq 25\%$	composite $t_R$
The LHC			${ ilde T}'$	$BR(\tilde{T}' \to ht) \simeq 25\%$	composite $t_R$
Discovery reach					
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$(\Lambda_{B}^{}, m_{B}^{})$ could be			$T_{2/3}$	$BR(T_{2/3} \to ht) \simeq 50\%$	composite $t_L$
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In the TS10. Similar contributions are expected in different CHM with custodial symmetry

 $\bullet$  Comparative analyses of these channels, by measuring different  $\lambda$  couplings, could shed light on the theory and on the EWSB mechanism

# Conclusions

The Higgs production from a singly-produced heavy fermion is a powerful channel to **TEST the Higgs properties and understand its nature** (An analysis of the strong scattering of Higgs and  $W_L/Z_L$  would require for this a much larger amount of integrated luminosity, about 300 fb-1 at 14 TeV LHC [arxiv:1002.1011])

Also promising for the **DISCOVERY of the heavy fermion** 

Important to shed light on the theory behind the EWSB mechanism, since it allows the measurement of the  $\lambda$  coupling among SM fermions, heavy fermions and electroweak bosons

# **Extra Slides**

# Search for down-type fourth generation quarks arxiv:1202.6540



 $BR(b' \to Wt) = 1$  $m_{b'} > 480 \text{ GeV} [95\% \text{ C.L.}]$ 

 $BR(b' \rightarrow Wt) = 0.5$  $m_{b'} \gtrsim 420 \text{ GeV} [95\% \text{ C.L.}]$ 

PARTIAL COMPOSITENESSELEMENTARY  
Sector
$$\Lambda_{UV}$$
Linear coupling between  
SM fermions and  
composite operators:  
 $(D.B. Kaplan, Nucl. Phys. B 365, 259 (1991)]$ STRONG  
Sector $(D.B. Kaplan, Nucl. Phys. B 365, 259 (1991)]$ elementary/composite mixing $\Lambda < \Lambda_{comp} < \Lambda_{UV}$  $\mathcal{L}_{mix} = \sum_{n} \Delta_n (\bar{\psi}\chi_n + h.c.)$  $\mathcal{L}_{mix} = \sum_{n} \Delta_n (\bar{\psi}\chi_n + h.c.)$ Two-Site  
modelst, b, ... $|light\rangle = \cos \varphi |\psi\rangle + \sin \varphi |\chi\rangle$  $\Delta$ 

T, B, ... 
$$\int |heavy\rangle = -\sin \varphi |\psi\rangle + \cos \varphi |\chi\rangle \qquad \tan \varphi = \frac{\Delta}{m_*}$$

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### LHC Discovery Reach

 $\lambda = 3$ 

$$\begin{array}{l} {\rm m_B} = 400 \; {\rm GeV} & {\rm 8} \\ \int {\cal L} \simeq 14 \; fb^{-1} & S/B \simeq 5.6 \end{array} \\ {\rm m_B} = 600 \; {\rm GeV} \\ \int {\cal L} \simeq 50 \; fb^{-1} & S/B \simeq 4.6 \\ {\rm m_B} = 800 \; {\rm GeV} \\ \int {\cal L} \simeq 340 \; fb^{-1} & S/B \simeq 1.5 \end{array}$$

m<sub>B</sub> =400 GeV 14 TeV  $\int \mathcal{L} \simeq 1.5 \ fb^{-1} \qquad S/B \simeq 6.1$ m<sub>B</sub>= 600 GeV  $\int \mathcal{L} \simeq 4.8 \ fb^{-1} \qquad S/B \simeq 6.0$ m<sub>\_R</sub>= 800 GeV  $\int \mathcal{L} \simeq 23 \ fb^{-1} \qquad S/B \simeq 2.4$ m<sub>\_R</sub>= 1000 GeV  $\int \mathcal{L} \simeq 78 \ fb^{-1} \qquad S/B \simeq 2.1$ m<sub>e</sub>= 1200 GeV  $\int \mathcal{L} \simeq 260 \ fb^{-1} \quad S/B \simeq 1.2$ 

### EWPT

$$\rho = \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2 \cos \theta_W^2} = 1 \quad \text{[tree level]} \qquad \Delta \rho \propto (v/f)^2 \quad \text{[loop]}$$

Custodial Symmetry in the Strong Sector:

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$$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_X \to SU(2)_V \times U(1)_X$$

•  $Zb_L \overline{b}_L o$  Protection from custodial symmetry subgroup:

[Agashe, DaRold, Contino, Pomarol, PLB 641 (2006) 62]

$$g_{Lb}^{CAT}|_{tree} = \left(Q_{3L} - Q \sin^{2} \theta_{w}\right)$$

$$\mathbf{U}(1)_{\mathbf{V}} \times \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{LR}}$$

$$SU(2)_{L} \leftrightarrow SU(2)_{R}$$

$$inv \rightarrow T_{L} = T_{R}, \ T_{3L} = T_{3R}$$

$$P_{\mathbf{C}}$$

$$|T_{L} \ T_{R}; \ T_{3L} \ T_{3R}\rangle \rightarrow |T_{L} \ T_{R}; \ -T_{3L} \ -T_{3R}\rangle$$

$$SO(3) \text{ vectors: } P_{C} = diag(1, -1, -1)$$

$$inv \rightarrow T_{3L} = T_{3R} = 0$$

 $SM_{\perp}$  (0 0 2 0)

We derive a simple Two-Site Model (low-energy limit of MCHM10) which incorporates a custodial symmetry and a  $P_{LR}$  parity: TS10

$$SO(5)xU(1)_x \rightarrow SO(4)xU(1)_x$$
TS-10

$$Q_{2/3} = \begin{bmatrix} T & T_{5/3} \\ B & T_{2/3} \end{bmatrix} = (2,2)_{2/3}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{2/3} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{T}_{5/3} \\ \tilde{T} \\ \tilde{B} \end{pmatrix} = (1,3)_{2/3} , \ \mathcal{Q'}_{2/3} = \begin{pmatrix} T'_{5/3} \\ T' \\ B' \end{pmatrix} = (3,1)_{2/3}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{mix} = -\Delta_{L1}\bar{q}_L(T,B) - \Delta_{R1}\bar{t}_R\tilde{T} - \Delta_{R2}\bar{b}_R\tilde{B} + h.c.$$

$$m_t = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y_* s_1 s_R \quad m_b = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y_* s_1 s_{bR} , \quad s_1 = \frac{\Delta_{L1}}{M'_Q} \ s_R = \frac{\Delta_{R1}}{M_{\tilde{T}}} \ s_{bR} = \frac{\Delta_{R2}}{M_{\tilde{B}}}$$

$$m_b \ll m_t \longrightarrow s_{bR} \ll s_R$$
  
 $b_R$  almost fully elementary