# Right-Handed Neutrinos as the Origin of the Electroweak Scale

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#### Introduction

### Motivation

- Higgs boson at  $\sim$  125 GeV, appears mostly Standard Model like.
- Many additional new physics motivations not yet explained: baryon asymmetry of the universe, dark matter, neutrino masses.
- Theoretical issues with a boson, unstable against large quadratic quantum corrections.



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• Some issues:

- Grand unification.
- Typical leptogenesis with a Type I seesaw does not satisfy this criteria.

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• In typical scenario, inject lepton number via a heavy neutrino decay  $N \rightarrow LH$  with a CP-asymmetry:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\Gamma(N \to LH) - \Gamma(N \to \overline{L}H^*)}{2\Gamma(N)} \sim \frac{y_N^2}{8\pi}$$

• Converted into baryon asymmetry:

$$\frac{n_B}{s} \sim \frac{\varepsilon}{g_*} \sim \frac{y_N^2}{8\pi g_*} \sim 10^{-10} \quad \Rightarrow \quad y_N \gtrsim 5 \times 10^{-4}$$

• Apply to typical seesaw mechanism with neutrino mass  $m_v = 0.1$  eV.

$$m_{
m v} \sim rac{y_N^2 v^2}{M_N} \quad \Rightarrow \quad M_N \gtrsim 10^8 \ {
m GeV}$$

• The Higgs mass correction is then:

$$\delta m_H^2 \sim rac{y_N^2}{4\pi^2} M_N^2 \gtrsim (8~{
m TeV})^2 \gg v^2$$

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- Then have neutrino mass and yukawa couplings:

$$-\mathcal{L}_N = y^{ai} H_2^* \overline{L_i} N_a + \frac{1}{2} M_{N_a} \overline{N_a^c} N_a + \text{H.C.},$$

• Start with massless Higgs potential:

$$V_0 = \frac{\lambda_1}{2} |H_1|^4 + \frac{\lambda_2}{2} |H_2|^4 + \lambda_3 |H_1|^2 |H_2|^2 + \lambda_4 |H_1^{\dagger} H_2|^2 + \frac{\lambda_5}{2} \left[ (H_1^{\dagger} H_2)^2 + \text{h.c.} \right]$$

- Now the SM Higgs (*H*<sub>1</sub>) is one removed from the heavy neutrinos, alleviating the above problems.
- Will not explain origin of  $M_N$ , however, the neutrino mass may come from a heavy scalar that obtains a mass via the Coleman-Weinberg mechanism.
- Will set  $\lambda_4 = 0$  for simplicity.

#### Scalar Masses



- Effect of the neutrinos on the Higgs potential at one loop are obtained via the Coleman-Weinberg potential from neutrino states
  - High mass state:  $M_{\alpha}^{2}(H_{2}) = \frac{M_{N_{\alpha}}^{2}}{2} \left(1 + 2y_{\alpha}^{2} \frac{|H_{2}|^{2}}{M_{N_{\alpha}}^{2}} + \sqrt{1 + 4y_{\alpha}^{2} \frac{|H_{2}|^{2}}{M_{N_{\alpha}}^{2}}}\right)$ • Low mass states:  $m_{\alpha}^{2}(H_{2}) = \frac{M_{N_{\alpha}}^{2}}{2} \left(1 + 2y_{\alpha}^{2} \frac{|H_{2}|^{2}}{M_{N_{\alpha}}^{2}} - \sqrt{1 + 4y_{\alpha}^{2} \frac{|H_{2}|^{2}}{M_{N_{\alpha}}^{2}}}\right)$

• Obtain a mass squared term for  $H_2$  (using dim. reg.):

$$V_1(H_2,\mu) = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{y_{\alpha}^2 M_{N_{\alpha}}^2}{8\pi^2} \left[ \kappa_N - \log\left(\frac{M_{N_{\alpha}}^2}{\mu^2}\right) \right] |H_2|^2 + \dots$$

•  $H_2$  mass loop suppressed compared to  $M_N$ , so integrate out heavy neutrinos.

• At scale below  $M_N$  the effect of the neutrinos on the  $H_2$  are parameterized by a mass term for  $H_2$ :

$$V_0 \rightarrow V_0 + \mu_2^2 |H_2|^2$$

• Matching onto the high energy theory at a scale  $\mu = M_N$  obtain ( $\mu$  without subscript is renormalization scale):

$$\mu_2^2 = \frac{M_N^2 y_N^2 \kappa_N}{4\pi^2}$$

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- $\kappa_N$  introduced to parameterize renormalization scheme dependence.
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- In this EFT,  $H_2$  has a mass and couples to  $H_1$ .
- Hence,  $H_1$  will obtain a loop induced mass.

• In the EFT the one-loop Coleman-Weinberg induces a mass for  $H_1$ :

$$V_1(H_2, H_1, \mu) = -\frac{\mu_2^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\kappa_2 - \log \frac{\mu_2^2}{\mu^2}\right) \left(2\lambda_3 |H_1|^2 + 3\lambda_2 |H_2|^2\right) + \dots,$$

• Again,  $H_1$  mass loop suppressed compared to  $\mu_2$ , so work in EFT for scales  $\mu < \mu_2$ :

$$V_0 = -\mu_1^2 |H_1|^2 + \frac{\lambda_1}{2} |H_1|^4,$$

• Matching at a scale  $\mu = \mu_2$ , obtain:

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$$\begin{array}{rcl} \mu_1^2 &\approx& \displaystyle \frac{\lambda_3 y_N^2 \kappa^2}{32 \pi^4} M_N^2 \\ \mu_2^2 &\approx& \displaystyle \frac{y_N^2 \kappa}{4 \pi^2} M_N^2 \end{array}$$

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- For the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme ( $\kappa = 1$ ) and MS scheme ( $\kappa = 1 \gamma_E + \log(4\pi) > 0$ ):
  - Mass squared parameter of  $H_1$  is negative (the negative sign was pulled out in the definition of  $\mu_1$ ).
  - Mass squared parameter of  $H_2$  is positive.
  - Electroweak symmetry is broken and the  $Z_2$  preserved, leaving a DM candidate.
  - The finite pieces of the loops obtain the desired symmetry breaking pattern.
- Now can this scenario be compatible with leptogenesis and neutrino masses?

#### Neutrinos

### Neutrino Mass



Since the neutrinos do not couple directly to H<sub>1</sub>, typical Type I seesaw is does not work.
However, there is a loop induced process E. Ma, hep-ph/0601225:

$$m_{\mathrm{v}} \approx -\frac{\lambda_5 y_N^2 v^2}{8\pi^2 M_N} \left[ \log \left( \frac{4\pi^2}{y_N^2 \kappa} \right) - 1 \right].$$

• Setting  $m_v = 0.1$  eV, using the previous constraints on  $y_N \gtrsim 5 \times 10^{-4}$  from leptogenesis, and the mass relations with  $\mu_1 = 89$  GeV:

$$|\lambda_5| \lesssim \frac{0.3}{\sqrt{\lambda_3}\kappa} \approx \frac{\mu_2}{\sqrt{\kappa} \, 2.7 \, {\rm TeV}}$$

Hence, for reasonable parameter values, can bring everything into agreement.
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#### Dark Matter

- So far:
  - Have electroweak symmetry breaking.
  - Generate small neutrino masses.
  - Have viable leptogenesis.
  - Preserved a Z<sub>2</sub> so a candidate Dark Matter.
- The mass spectrum is (with simplifying assumption  $\lambda_4 = 0$ ):

$$\begin{array}{rcl} m_h^2 &=& \lambda_1 \, v^2 \\ m_S^2 &=& \mu_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \lambda_3 + \lambda_5 \right) \, v^2 \\ m_A^2 &=& \mu_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \lambda_3 - \lambda_5 \right) \, v^2 \\ m_{H^\pm}^2 &=& \mu_2^2 + \frac{\lambda_3}{2} \, v^2 \, , \end{array}$$

- For positive quartic couplings, the DM candidate is the pseudoscalar of the inert doublet.
- To be viable:
  - Avoid current direct detection limits.
  - Reproduce correct relic abundance.

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$$\sigma_n \simeq \frac{f_n^2 (\lambda_3 - \lambda_5)^2}{4\pi} \frac{m_n^4}{\mu_2^2 m_H^4}$$

- For  $\mu_2 \sim 1$  TeV and  $\lambda_5 \sim 0.01 1$ :  $\sigma_n \sim 1 5 \times 10^{-45}$  cm<sup>2</sup>
- Near current limits, possibly detectable and near future direct detection experiments.

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- With λ<sub>4</sub> = 0, the thermally averaged annihilation cross section depends on two quartic coupling, λ<sub>3</sub> and λ<sub>5</sub>, and the DM mass scale μ<sub>2</sub>.
- However, have a relationship between  $\lambda_3$  and  $\mu_2$ :

$$\mu_1^2 = \frac{\lambda_3 \kappa}{8\pi^2} \mu_2^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda_3 \approx \frac{(790 \text{ GeV})^2}{\kappa \mu_2^2}$$

• Only two free parameters.

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• For  $\mu_2 \gg 1$  TeV,  $\lambda_3 \propto \mu_2^{-2}$  becomes negligible and obtain relation:

$$\lambda_5 \approx \frac{\mu_2}{2 \text{ TeV}}$$

### **Relic Density**



- Red dashed lines correspond to constraints from neutrino mass, leptogenesis, higgs mass, and electroweak symmetry breaking vev. Region above is excluded.
- Light neutrino mass has cubic dependence on Yukawa coupling *y<sub>N</sub>*, so bound is very sensitive to precise leptogenesis bound.
- In addition to canonical value of  $y_N \gtrsim 5 \times 10^{-4}$ , show consequence of O(1) variations in this bound.
- A region in parameter space always exists that satisfies all of our requirements.

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- We showed that in an inert Higgs doublet model with heavy right-handed neutrinos in which the heavy neutrinos do not couple to the SM Higgs at tree level:
  - Finite pieces of the mass corrections correctly break the electroweak symmetry and leave a Z<sub>2</sub> of the inert doublet intact.
  - Can make the electroweak scale, light neutrino mass, and leptogenesis compatible.
  - Showed that the pseudoscalar of the inert doublet is a viable DM candidate with a mass  $\mu_2 \sim 1$  TeV.
  - Not shown here, but also possible to have perturbative quartic couplings up to the Planck scale.
- This scenario should be detectable at near future direct detection experiments.

# **BACKUP SLIDES**



• Effect of the neutrinos on the Higgs potential at one loop are obtained via the Coleman-Weinberg potential:

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• Expand about  $|H_2|$ :

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### Leptogenesis



• Heavy neutrinos only couple to the indert doublet  $H_2$  and leptogenesis proceeds through

 $N \rightarrow LH_2$ 

- The bound is still  $y_N \gtrsim 5 \times 10^{-4}$ , where  $y_N$  is the coupling to the  $H_2$
- Putting into our solution need with  $\mu_1 = 89$  GeV.

$$\mu_1^2 \approx \frac{\lambda_3 y_N^2}{32\pi^4} M_N^2 \kappa^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad M_N \lesssim \frac{5 \times 10^4 \text{ TeV}}{\sqrt{\lambda_3} \kappa (y_N/10^{-3})} \lesssim \frac{10^5 \text{ TeV}}{\sqrt{\lambda_3} \kappa}.$$

# **Running Coupling**

