

Probing Composite Higgs Models at the LHC



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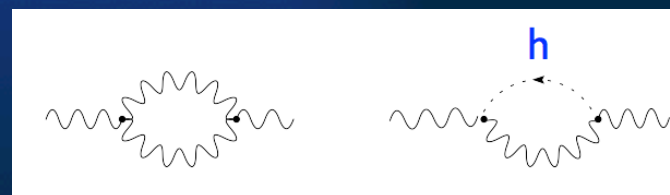
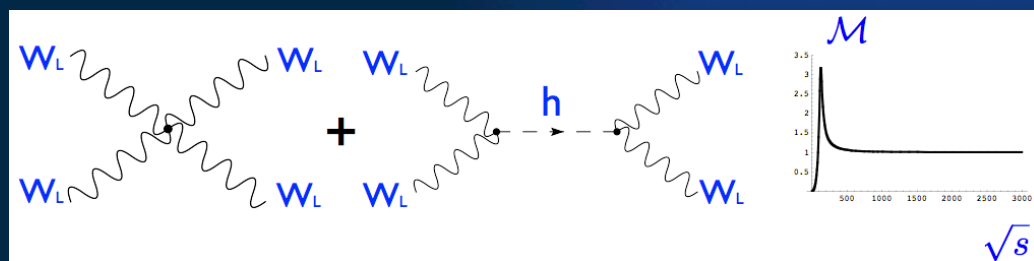
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New Physics beyond the SM is needed to explain many observed phenomena

[Dark matter, matter-antimatter asymmetry, dynamical origin of fermion masses, mixings, CP violation,...]

- But none of the above demands NP at the EW

The Higgs restored the calculability power of the SM



But, the Higgs is special: it's scalar

At quantum level, its mass has quadratic sensitivity to UV physics

Light scalars cannot survive in the presence of heavy states at GUT/String/Planck scales

Fine tuning \longleftrightarrow Naturalness problem

Supersymmetry:

a fermion-boson symmetry :

The Higgs remains elementary but its mass is protected by SUSY



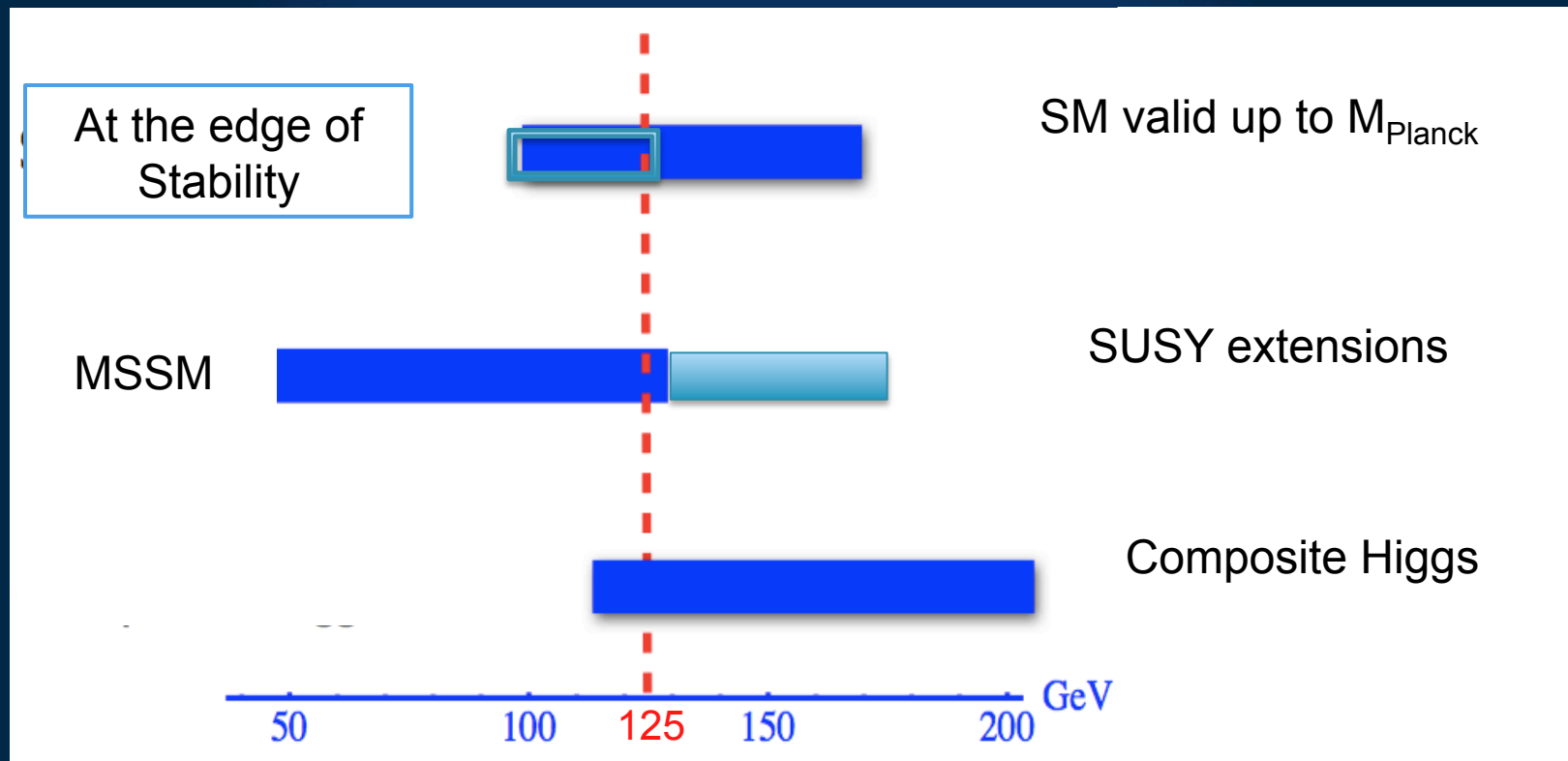
Composite Higgs Models

The Higgs does not exist above a certain scale, at which the new strong dynamics takes place
→ dynamical origin of EWSB



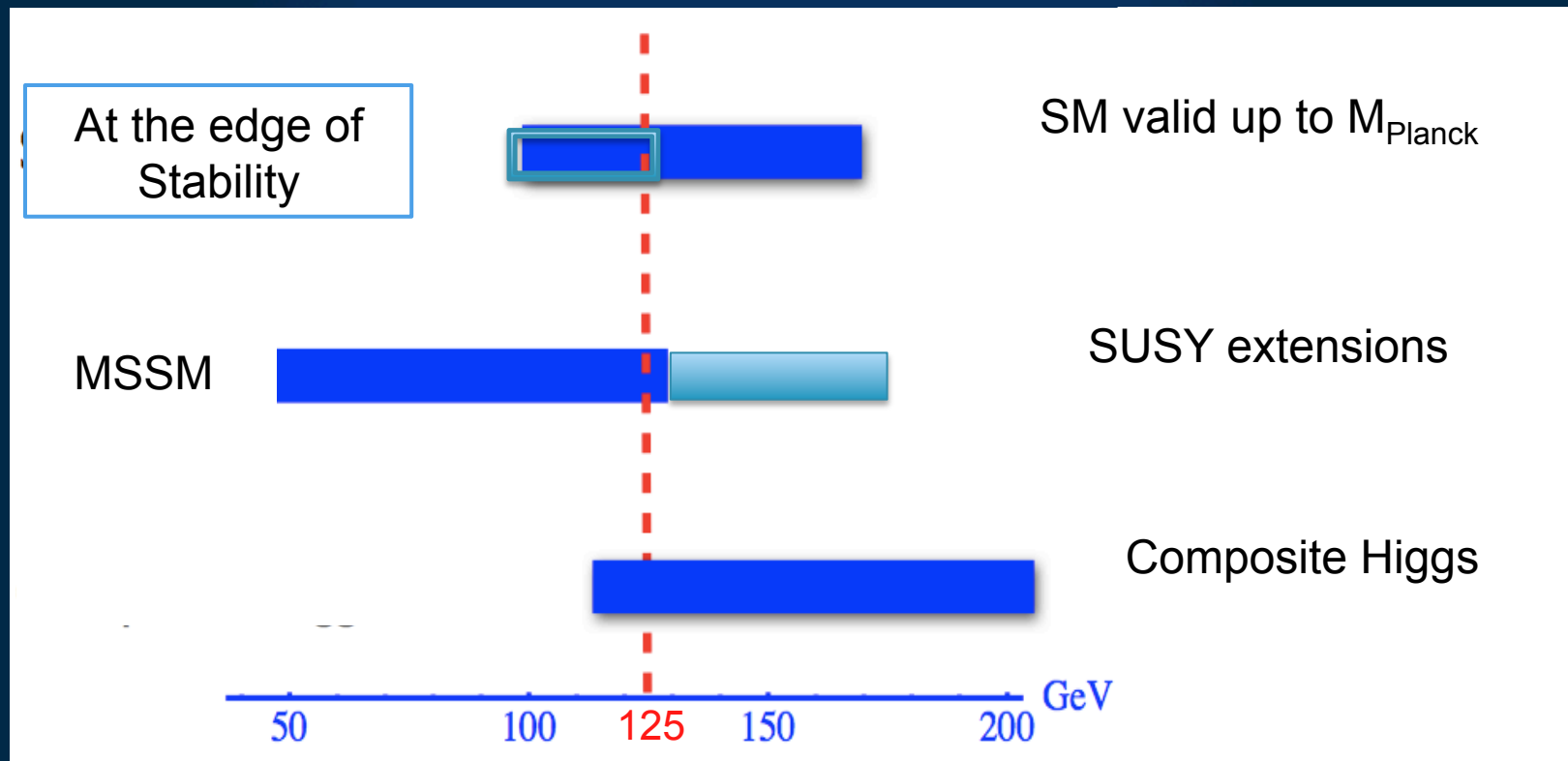
New strong resonance masses constrained by PEWT and direct searches
Higgs → scalar resonance much lighter than other ones
Both options imply changes in the Higgs phenomenology and beyond

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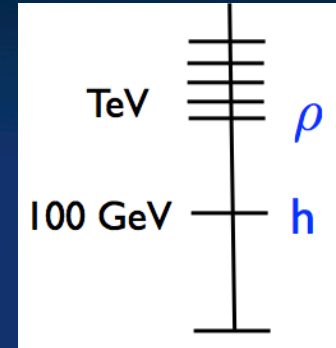
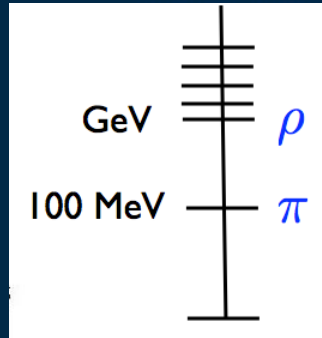
Theorists should be humble



Composite Higgs Models

The Higgs as a pseudo Nambu-Goldstone Bosons (pNGB)

Inspired by pions in QCD



QCD with 2 flavors: global symmetry $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R / SU(2)_V$.

$\pi^+ \pi^0$ are Goldstones associated to spontaneous breaking

$$g, g' \rightarrow 0 \quad \& \quad m_q \rightarrow 0 \\ \Rightarrow m_\pi = 0$$

$$m_q \neq 0 \Rightarrow m_\pi^2 \simeq m_q B_0$$

$$e \neq 0 \Rightarrow \delta m_{\pi^\pm}^2 \simeq \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} \Lambda_{QCD}^2$$

Higgs is light because is the pNGB -- a kind of pion – of a new strong sector

Mass protected by the global symmetries

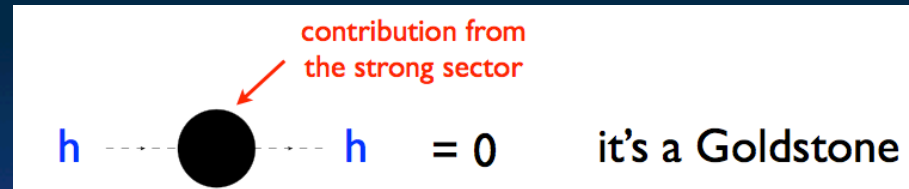
$$\pi \rightarrow \pi + \alpha$$

Georgi, Kaplan '84; Agashe et al '03

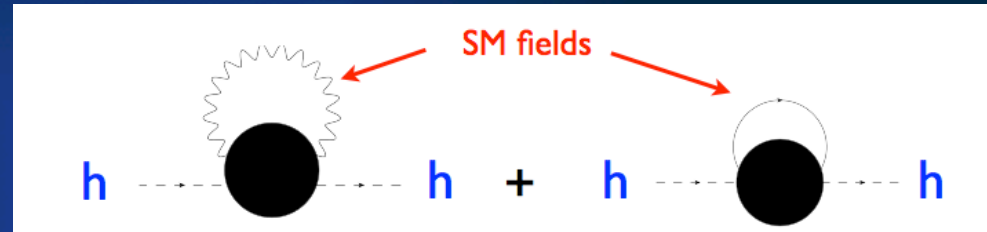
Higgs as a PNGB

Light Higgs since its mass arises from one loop

Higgs mass protected by global symmetry



Mass generated at one loop: explicit breaking of global symmetry due to SM couplings



Dynamical EWSB: large set of vacua, some of them break $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

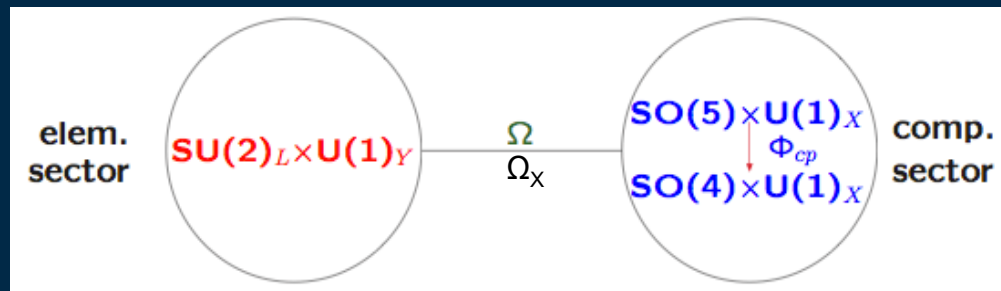
$V(h)$ depends on the chosen global symmetry AND on the fermion embedding

Higgs mass challenging to compute due to strong dynamics behavior

$$m_H^2 \approx m_t^2 M_T^2 / f^2$$

Minimal pNGB Higgs Models

Effective description: 2 site model \rightarrow elementary/composite



Contino et al. ; Redi et al.
de Curtis et al.

non-linear σ -model fields Ω , Ω_X connecting sites and providing mixing between elementary and composite fermions

\downarrow Partial compositeness

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{el} + \mathcal{L}_{mix} + \mathcal{L}_{cp}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{el} = \mathcal{L}_{SM}(\psi_L^{el}, \tilde{\psi}_R^{el}, A_\mu^{el})$$

Local symmetry G_{SM}

massless fermions/ No Higgs

$$\mathcal{L}_{cp}^{eff} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^{cp}{}^2 + \bar{\psi}^{cp} (i\not{D}^{cp} - M_{cp}) \psi^{cp} + \mathcal{L}_{Yukawa} + \mathcal{L}_{GB}$$

Each chiral SM-fermion \rightarrow vector-like cp-fermion

Spontaneous breaking parametrized by $\Phi^{cp} \rightarrow h$

Composite-sector characterized by a coupling $g_{cp} \gg g_{SM}$ and scale $f \sim \text{TeV}$

New heavy resonances $\rightarrow m_\rho \sim g_\rho f$ and $M_{cp} \sim m_\rho \cos_\psi$

After EWSB: $\varepsilon = \sin(v/f)$ and $v_{SM} = \varepsilon f$

Model Building

Based on the 1,5,10 and 14 Representations of SO(5)

$$\mathcal{L}_f = \sum_{\psi=q_L, u_R, d_R} Z_\psi \bar{\psi} i \not{D} \psi + \bar{q}_L \Delta_q Q_R + \bar{u}_R \Delta_u U_L + \bar{d}_R \Delta_d D_L + \text{h.c.}$$

$$+ \sum_{\Psi=Q,U,D} \bar{\Psi} (i \not{D} - m_\Psi) \Psi + m_{y_u} \bar{Q}_L U_R + m_{y_d} \bar{Q}_L D_R + \mathcal{L}_y(Q_L, U_R, D_R, \Phi) + \text{h.c.}$$

- The explicit form of the pNGB interactions with the composite fermions (proto-Yukawa terms) depend on the embedding
- We constrain the chiral structure to obtain a finite one-loop Higgs potential only left and right composite fields that mixed with SM ones are present

$Z b \bar{b}$ couplings are measured with great accuracy and the large value of m_{top} requires large mixing that impacts the bottom sector and can generate large corrections

Choose proper reps. to protect Z couplings

$\Rightarrow t_L$ embedded in $5_{2/3}, 10_{2/3}, 14_{2/3}, \dots$ of $\text{SO}(5) \times \text{U}(1)$

With Notation $\text{MCHM}_{\text{Q-U-D}} \longrightarrow$

5, 10,
5-5-10, 5-10-10, 10-5-10
14-14-10, 14-1-10

EWSB and the Higgs Mass

Dynamical EWSB: vacuum misalignment induced by top quark effects

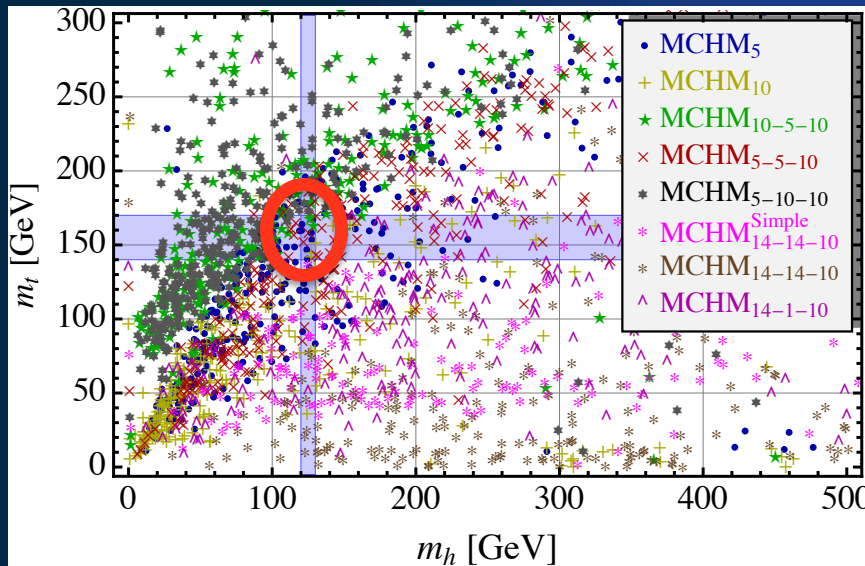
Higgs potential and Higgs mass can be calculated

Marzoca, Serone, Shu'12,
Pomarol, Riva '12

- Higgs couplings to W/Z determine by the gauge groups involved
 - i.e. $MCHM_x \rightarrow SO(5)/SO(4)$
- Higgs couplings to SM fermions depend on fermion embedding

Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol Rattazzi'07;
Montull, Riva, Salvioni, Torre'13

We consider many different
 $SO(5)$ fermion embeddings



M.C., Da Rold, Ponton'14

Random scan over models
with EWSB requirement

- We require $\varepsilon = v_{SM}/f < 0.5 \rightarrow$ PEWT,
which implies $f > 500$ GeV
- We also require $m_p \sim g_p f > 2$ TeV

More stringent constraints from recent data
 $\varepsilon < 0.2 - 0.3$

In prep. and also talk by Andrea Wulzer

HIGGS PHENOMENOLOGY

Operators involved in Higgs production and decays at LHC

- Gluon fusion: $\mathcal{O}_g = hG_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$
- photon decay: $\mathcal{O}_\gamma = hF_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$
- $Z\gamma$ decay: $hZ\gamma: \mathcal{O}_{hZ\gamma} = hF_{\mu\nu}Z^{\mu\nu}$
- VFB + VH: $\mathcal{O}_V = hV_\mu V^\mu$
- fermionic decays $\mathcal{O}_f = h\bar{f}f$

Two equivalent ways to compute Higgs couplings:

Obtain effective theory in elementary site and use i) zeroes of the correlators to find the spectrum and ii) info encoded in correlator's vev dependence for couplings.

Or just compute the gauge and fermions mass matrices including composite and elementary states and their mixings

$$\mathbf{g}_{hWW}^{(0)} \simeq \partial m_W^2 / \partial v = F(\epsilon)$$

$$\mathbf{y}_\psi^{(0)} \simeq \partial m_\psi / \partial v \quad \psi = u, d$$

Higgs couplings to W/Z determined by the gauge groups involved

MCHM_x → SO(5)/SO(4)

Higgs couplings to SM fermions depend on fermion embedding X

Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol Rattazzi'07
Pomarol, Riva'12; Montull, Riva, Salvioni, Torre'13

Gluon Fusion Effects

- Corrections come from explicit breaking: elementary/composite sectors mixing
- Corrections to gluon fusion from heavy resonances and deviations in SM Yukawas

$$\mathcal{A}(h \rightarrow gg) \propto v_{\text{SM}} \sum_{\psi=t,b} \left\{ \frac{4}{3} \left[\text{tr}(Y_\psi M_\psi^{-1}) - \frac{y_\psi^{(0)}}{m_\psi^{(0)}} \right] + \frac{y_\psi^{(0)}}{m_\psi^{(0)}} A_{1/2} \left(\frac{m_h^2}{4m_\psi^{(0)2}} \right) \right\}$$

Heavy resonances are subleading: sum rule from pNBG Higgs nature

Falkowski'07; Azatov et al '11

$$\mathbf{r}_g^\psi \approx \sum_n \frac{y_\psi^{(n)}}{m_\psi^{(n)}} = \text{Tr}[Y_\psi M_\psi^{-1}] = \frac{F_\psi(\epsilon)}{\epsilon f} \quad \text{Indep. of other model param.}$$

Interesting: at leading order in ϵ , zero mode saturates the sum

$$\frac{y_\psi^{(0)}}{m_\psi^{(0)}} \approx \frac{1}{\epsilon f_h} [F_\psi(\epsilon) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2 s_{\psi_L}^2) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2 s_{\psi_R}^2)]$$

In most models, the mixing of both chiralities needs to be small to ensure extra suppression



Yukawa corrections $\frac{y_\psi^{(0)}}{y_\psi^{\text{SM}}}$

Bottom sector corrections larger than expected

Montull et al'13; MC, Da Rold, Ponton'14

Higgs Production and Decays

Tree level decays:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(h \rightarrow b\bar{b}, \tau\tau) &\approx \Gamma_{\text{SM}}(h \rightarrow b\bar{b}, \tau\tau) \times r_b^2(\epsilon), \\ \Gamma(h \rightarrow c\bar{c}) &\approx \Gamma_{\text{SM}}(h \rightarrow c\bar{c}) \times r_c^2(\epsilon), \\ \Gamma(h \rightarrow WW, ZZ) &\approx \Gamma_{\text{SM}}(h \rightarrow WW, ZZ) \times r_V^2(\epsilon)\end{aligned}$$

Assumed τ leptons in same reps. as b quarks and

$$r_c(\epsilon) = r_t(\epsilon)$$

Loop level Higgs decays

$$\frac{\Gamma(h \rightarrow gg)}{\Gamma_{\text{SM}}(h \rightarrow gg)} \approx \frac{|r_t(\epsilon) A_{1/2}(m_h^2/4m_t^2) + r_b(\epsilon) A_{1/2}(m_h^2/4m_b^2)|^2}{|A_{1/2}(m_h^2/4m_t^2) + A_{1/2}(m_h^2/4m_b^2)|^2}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)}{\Gamma_{\text{SM}}(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)} \approx \frac{|r_V(\epsilon) A_1(\frac{m_h^2}{4m_W^2}) + N_c Q_t^2 r_t(\epsilon) A_{1/2}(\frac{m_h^2}{4m_t^2}) + N_c Q_b^2 r_b(\epsilon) A_{1/2}(\frac{m_h^2}{4m_b^2})|^2}{|A_1(m_h^2/4m_W^2) + N_c Q_t^2 A_{1/2}(m_h^2/4m_t^2) + N_c Q_b^2 A_{1/2}(m_h^2/4m_b^2)|^2}$$

In the case of the top we effectively considered the full effect of the heavy resonances plus the top itself. For the bottom sector we neglect the resonances that can be as large as the bottom quark itself ; max 10% effect, usually less.

We consider all effects in the parameter scan

Summary of corrections to Higgs couplings

Define: $r_x = c_x^{\text{MCHM}} / c_x^{\text{SM}}$

$F_1(\epsilon)$ and $F_2(\epsilon)$ codify most deviations at leading order
other functions have nontrivial dep. on the proto-Yukawas

$$F_1 = \frac{1 - 2\epsilon^2}{\sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2}}$$

$$F_2 = \sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2}$$

$$\epsilon = v_{\text{SM}}/f$$

r / MCHM	10-5-10	5-5-10	5-10-10, 5-1-10	5, 10, 14-1-10 14-10-10 10-14-10	14-14-10	14-5-10	5-14-10
r_t	F_2	F_1	F_2	F_1	F_3	F_4	F_5
r_b	F_1	F_2	F_2	F_1	F_1	F_1	F_1
r_V	F_2	F_2	F_2	F_2	F_2	F_2	F_2
r_g	F_2	F_1	F_2	F_1	F_3	F_4	F_5

r_Y depends on multiple (two) functions

W contribution: $r_Y^W = F_2$ and top contribution: $r_Y^\psi = r_g^\psi$

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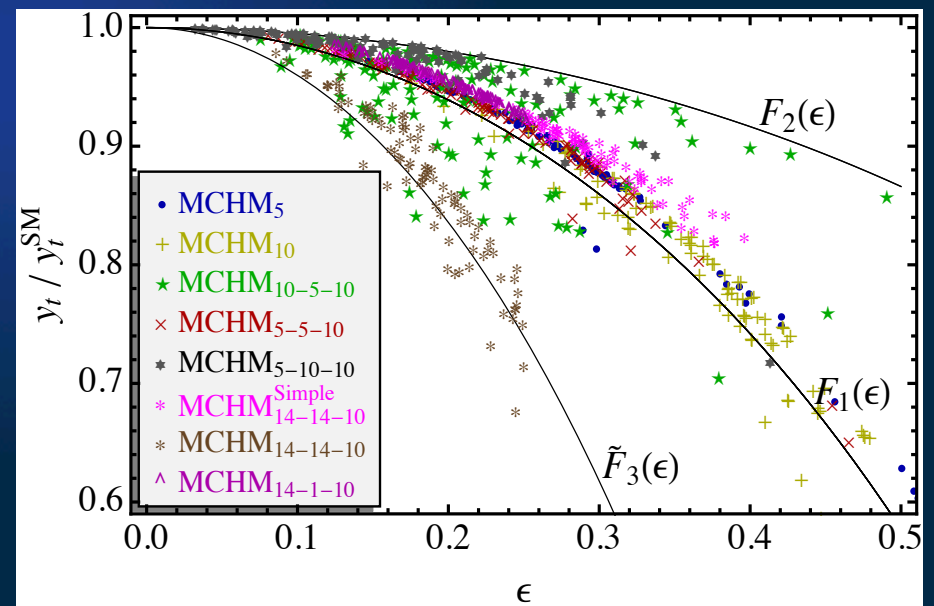
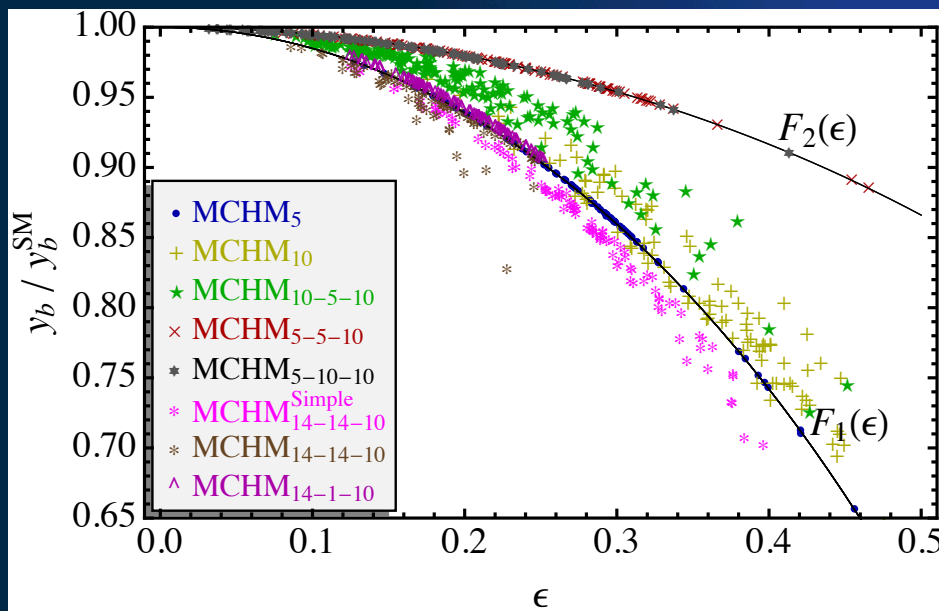
Main effects due to SM fermions and gauge bosons mixing with composite fermion and gauge boson sectors, respectively

Subleading effects from heavy/strong resonance effects in the loops

→ sum rule from pNGB Higgs nature Falkowski'07;Azatov et al '11

Generic features: Suppression of all partial decay widths

Higgs to bb and tt suppression



Suppression of HVV coupling $\sim F_2(\epsilon)$

M.C., Da Rold, Ponton '14

HIGGS PHENOMENOLOGY (cont'd)

Generic features:

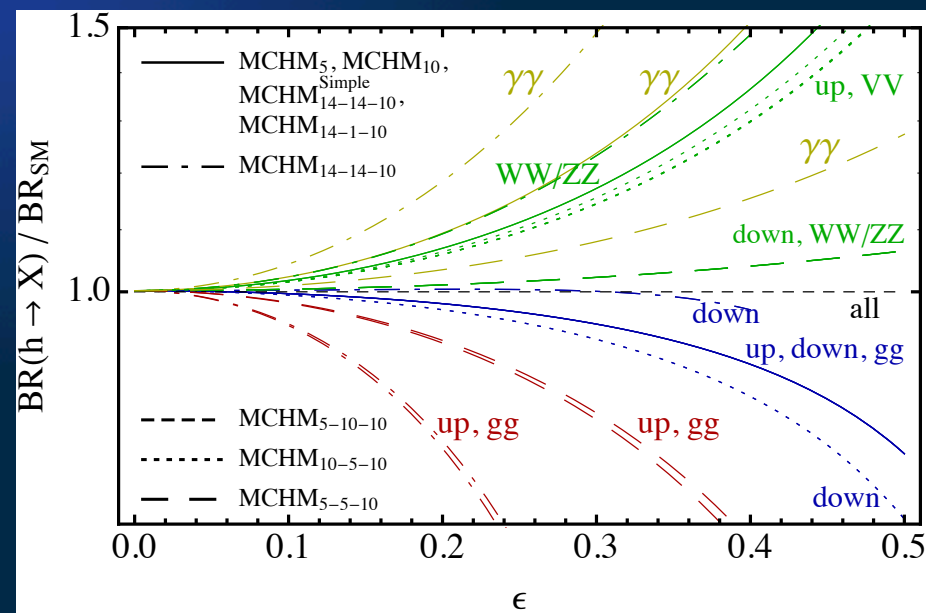
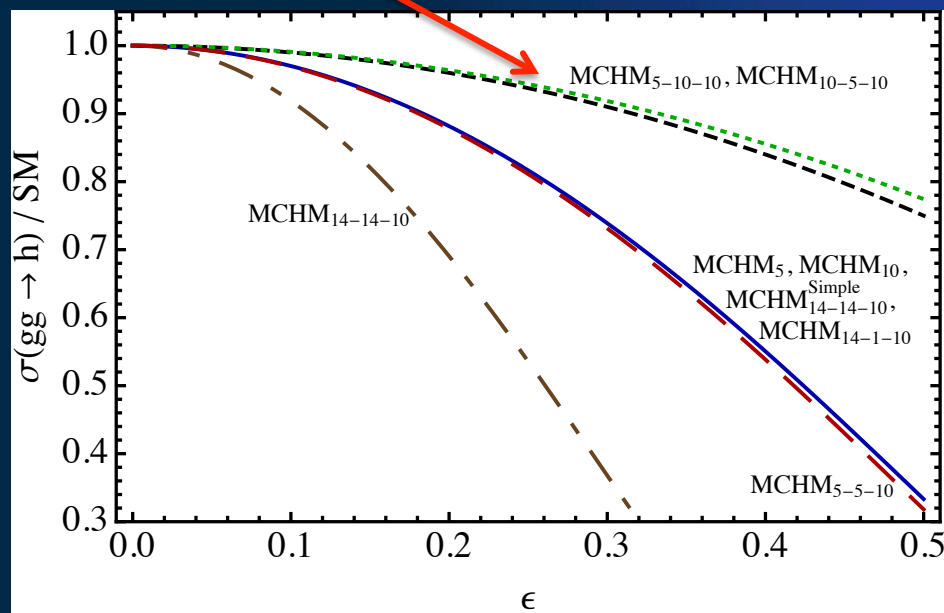
Higgs-gluon fusion and VVH/VH suppression

Enhancement or suppression of branching ratios

(Depending on the effect of the total width suppression)

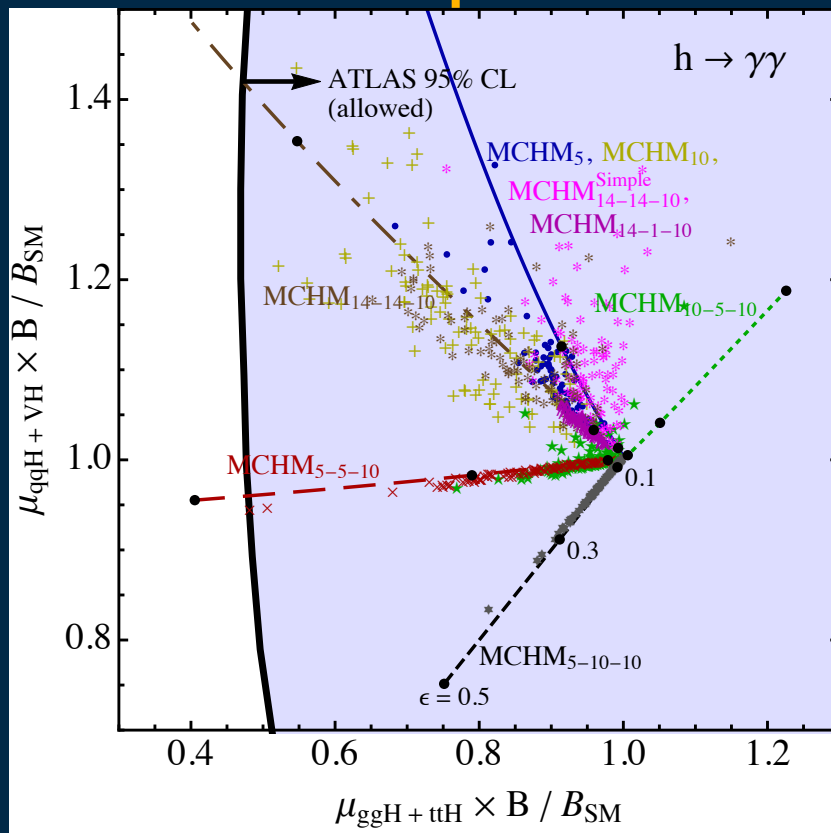
$\sigma(VVH/VH)/\sigma_{SM}$

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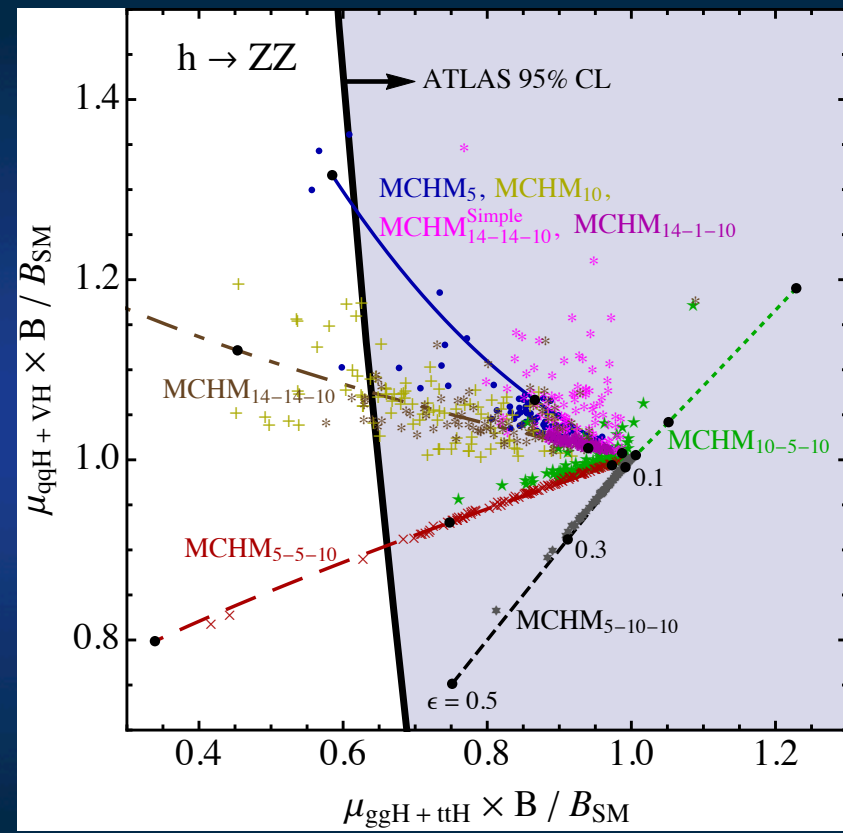


Minimal Composite Higgs models confronting data

h to di-photons



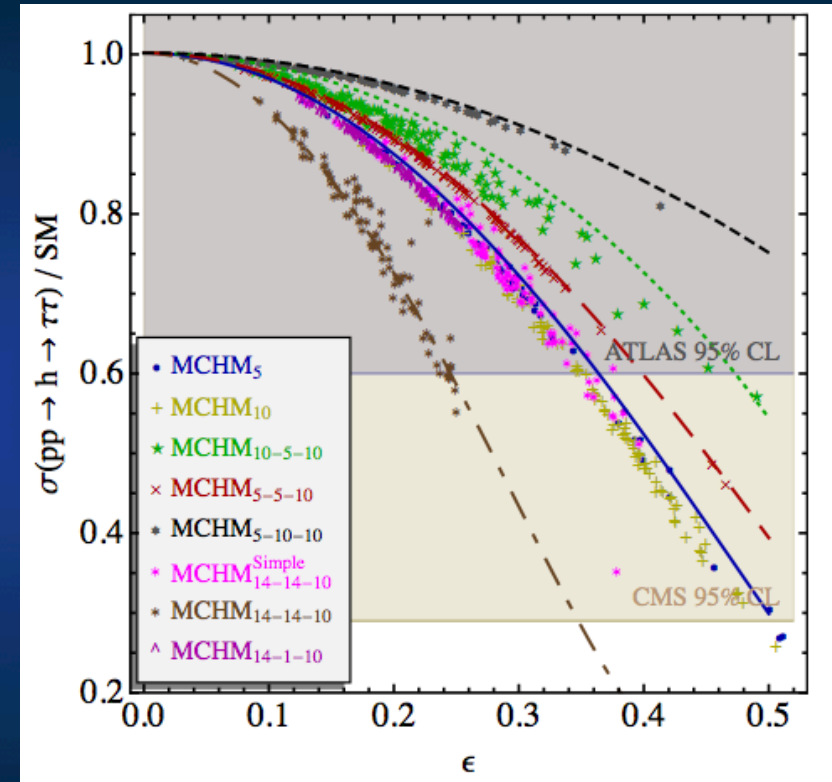
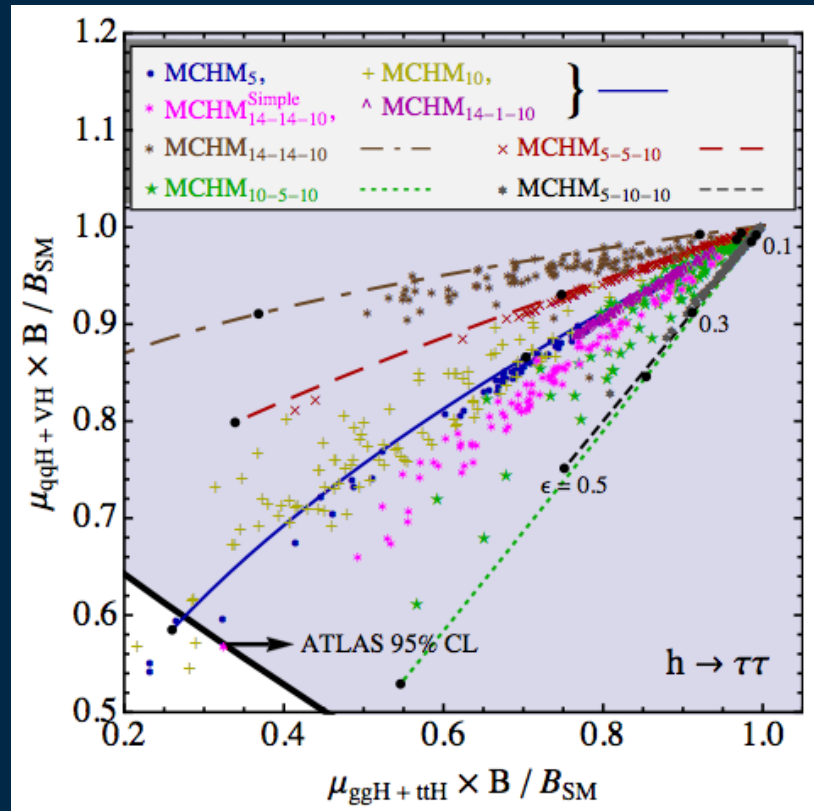
h to ZZ



More data on Higgs observables will distinguish between different realizations in the fermionic sector, providing information on the nature of the UV dynamics

Minimal Composite Higgs models confronting data

H to tau pairs



Freedom in choosing tau reps. (irrelevant for Higgs potential), may revert behavior

The inclusive production in the $\tau\tau$ channel, normalized to the SM, versus ϵ .

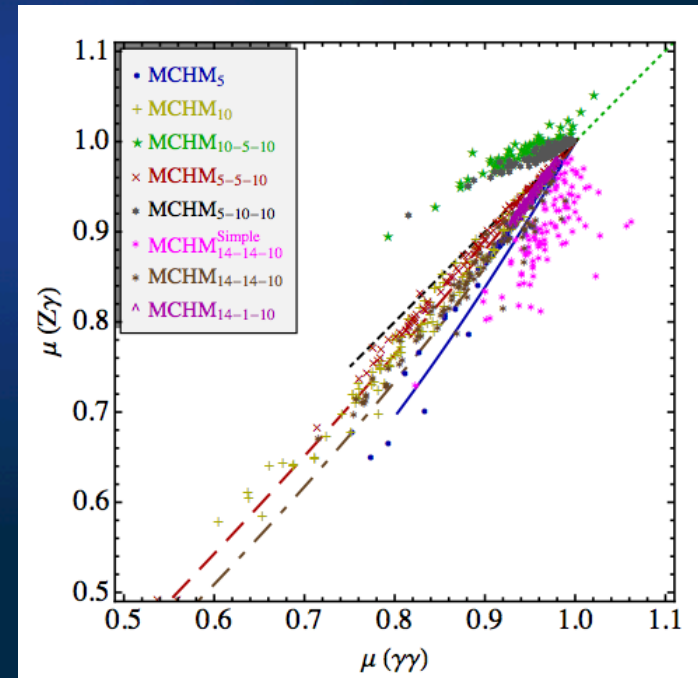
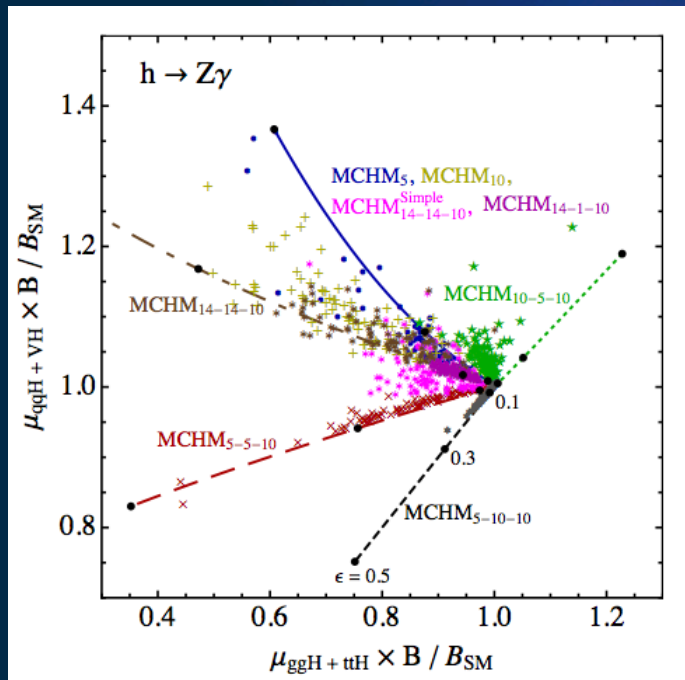
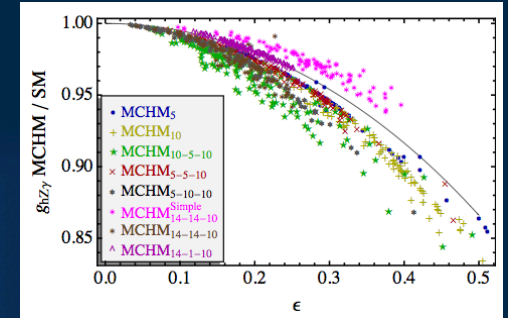
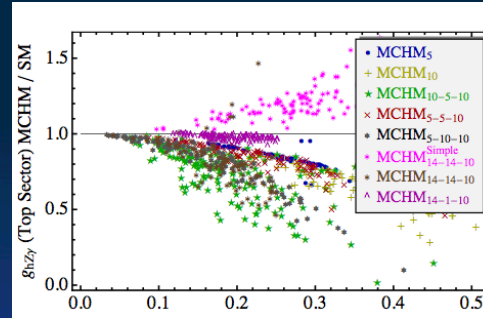
$h \rightarrow Z\gamma$: not yet observed

M.C., Da Rold, Ponton '14

- Corrections from top and its partners can vary the SM value up to 50% \rightarrow (only top sector, through mixing, breaks P_{LR} symmetry and contributes)

Azatov et al. '13

- W loop much dominant $\sim F_2(\epsilon)$



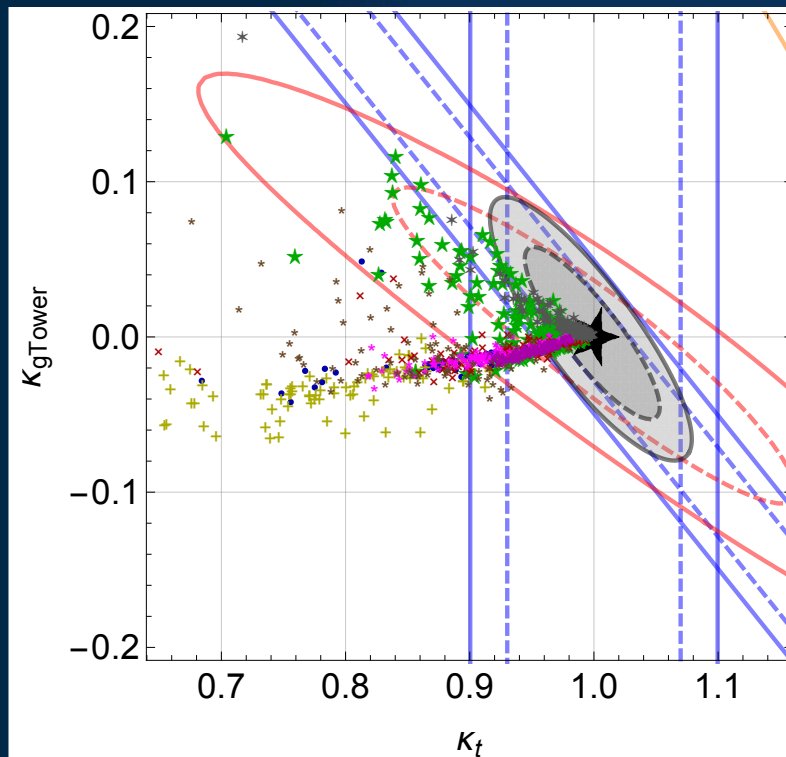
Main effects governed by zero modes \rightarrow by rv and rt

$Z\gamma$ and $\gamma\gamma$ correlations differ for some models \rightarrow allow to distinguish among models

What about the effect of kinematic distributions?

Disentangle effects of the additional vector-like fermions ?
Learn about the degree of compositeness of the top quark?

M.C. Da Rold, Zhen Liu, Ponton, to appear



The vertical band is mainly from $t\bar{t}H$ cross sections and the diagonal band is from seven parameter fit for Higgs to di-gluon coupling (Snowmass report)

The solid and dashed lines represent conservative & optimistic projections for LHC 14 TeV at 3000 fb^{-1}

The red contours are from Higgs plus one & two jets differential cross sections studies

Grojean, Salvioni, Schläffer, Weiler'13;
Buschmann, Englert, Goncalves, Plehn, Spannowsky'14

Ellis, Sanz, You'14; Pomarol, Riva'14

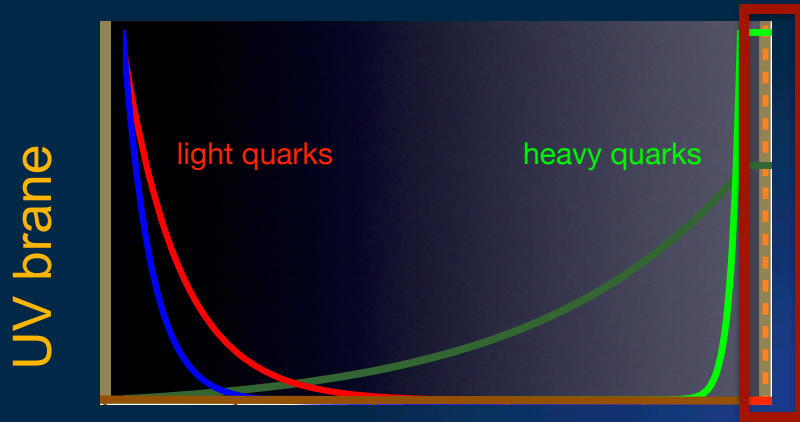
- Recent studies of kinematics of associated Higgs production at the Tevatron and LHC, as well as triple-gauge couplings at the LHC may shed light on coefficients of Dim. 6 operators in an HEFT approach → connection with MCHM's

Other Models of Composite Higgs

Randall, Sundrum

- i.e. Embedding the SM (with the Higgs) in a 5D warped extra dimension

Gauge Higgs Unification Models or Higgs not a pNGB

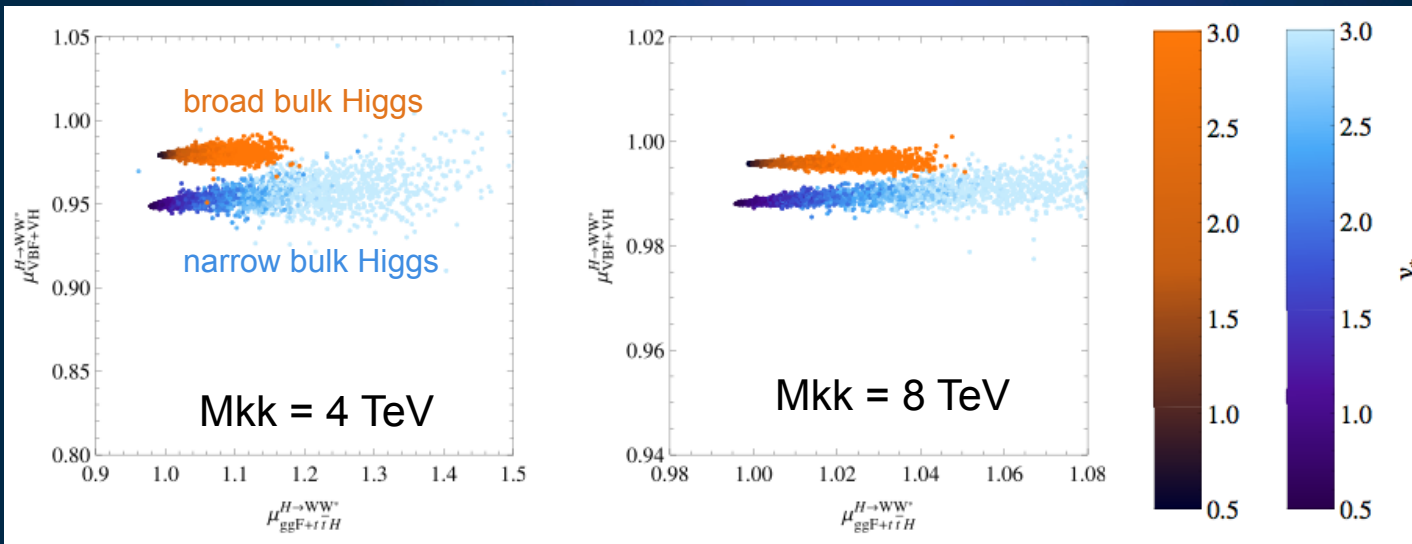


KK modes:
IR localized

GHU: Agashe et al.'03; Contino et al.'03
M.C, Ponton, Santiago, Wagner'04-07
M.C., Medina, Shah, Wagner'09

Higgs can be IR localized
or partially in the bulk
(partially composite Higgs)

Archer, MC, Carmona, Neubert '14



Enhancement of
gluon fusion
production

Leading effects from heavy/strong resonances in the loops

Composite Higgs Models and NP searches

- Models contain New Vector-like Fermions and New Gauge bosons in the few/several TeV range and above
- If beyond LHC direct reach they might be accessible through departures from Higgs SM properties or in rare decays
- Heavy vector- like quarks at the LHC: some examples
- SU(2) singlet top partner: T
- SU(2) doublet top/bottom partners: (T,B)
- SU(2) doublet with charge 5/3 and charge 2/3 quarks: (X,T)
- SU(2) doublet with charge -1/3 and charge -4/3 quarks: (B,Y)

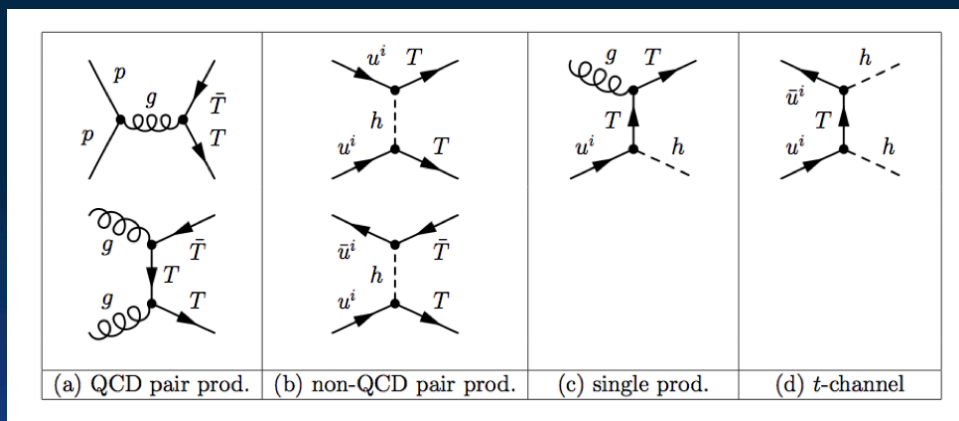
Atre et al, Barducci et al,
Atre, Chala, Santiago
Les Houches 2013

Decay to either a light quark or a third gen quark, plus Z, W, or h

- $X \rightarrow W^+ u_i,$
- $T \rightarrow W^+ d_i, Z u_i, H u_i,$
- $B \rightarrow W^- u_i, Z d_i, H d_i,$
- $Y \rightarrow W^- d_i,$

Heavy vector-like quarks at the LHC

look for pair production,
single production,
or exotic Higgs production



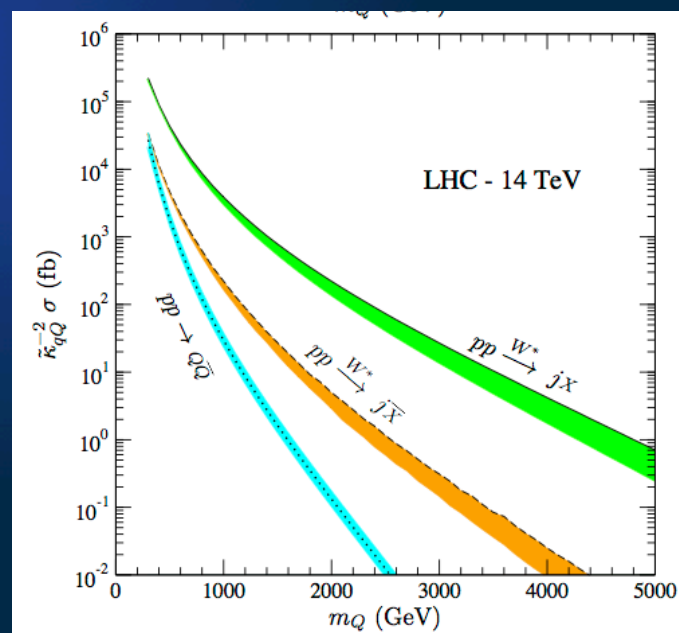
Large variety of LHC signatures, many
with energetic leptons

$$pp \rightarrow T\bar{T} \rightarrow ZtZ\bar{q} \rightarrow l^+l^-l^+\nu b\bar{q}q'\bar{q}',$$

$$pp \rightarrow X\bar{X} \rightarrow W^+tW^-\bar{q} \rightarrow l^+\nu l^-\nu l^-\nu b\bar{q},$$

$$pp \rightarrow T\bar{T} \rightarrow ZtZ\bar{q} \rightarrow l^+l^-bq'\bar{q}'l^+l^-\bar{q},$$

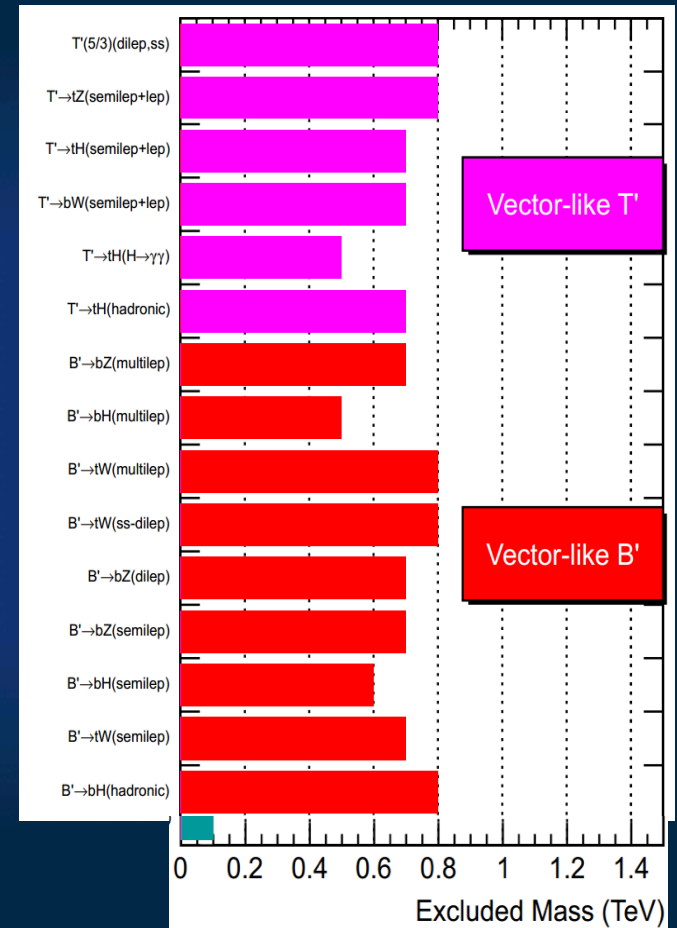
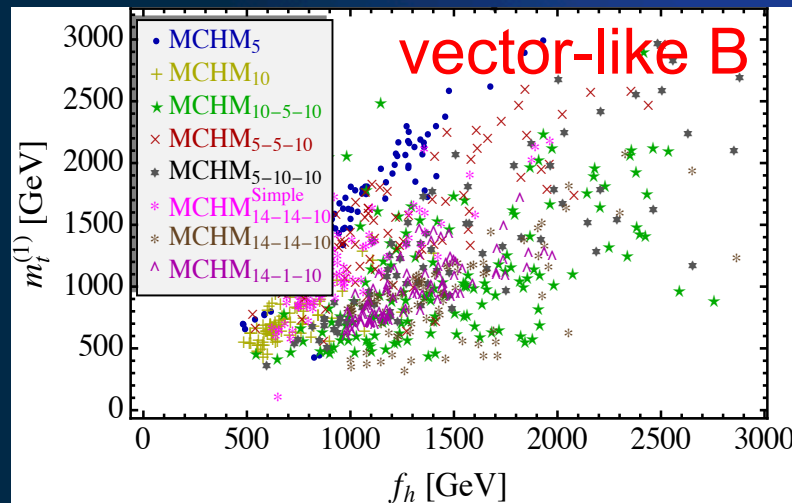
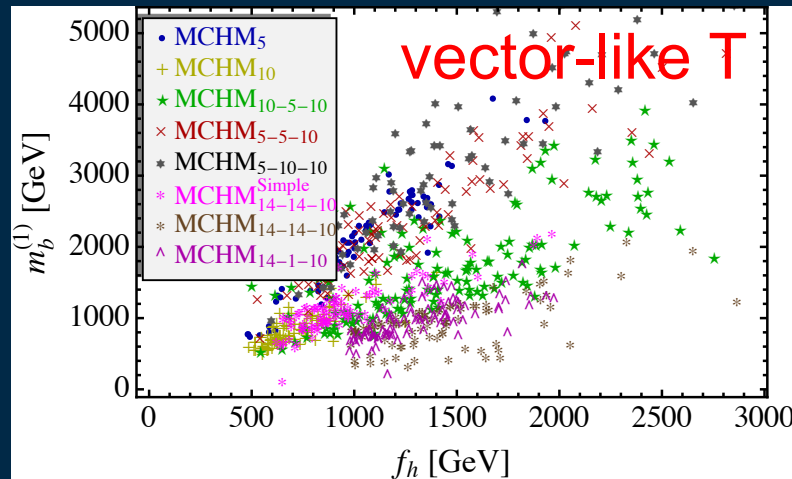
Single production looks most
promising at high mass



Atre, Azuelos, M.C., Han, Ozcan, Santiago, Unel '11
more recent: Matsedonskyia, Panico, Wulzer '14

MCHM's (Higgs as a pNGB Higgs) with extended symmetry predict light fermionic res. $M_{\text{cust}} \sim m_\rho \cos\psi$

CMS Searches for NP beyond 2 Gen.
95% CL Exclusions (TeV)

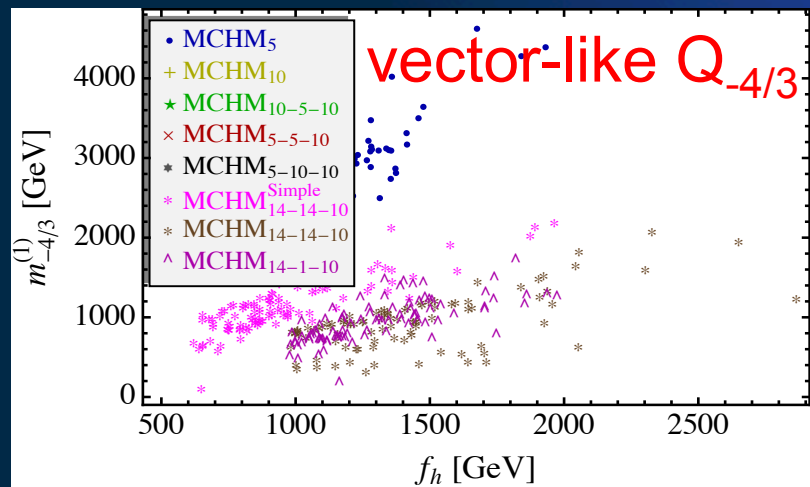
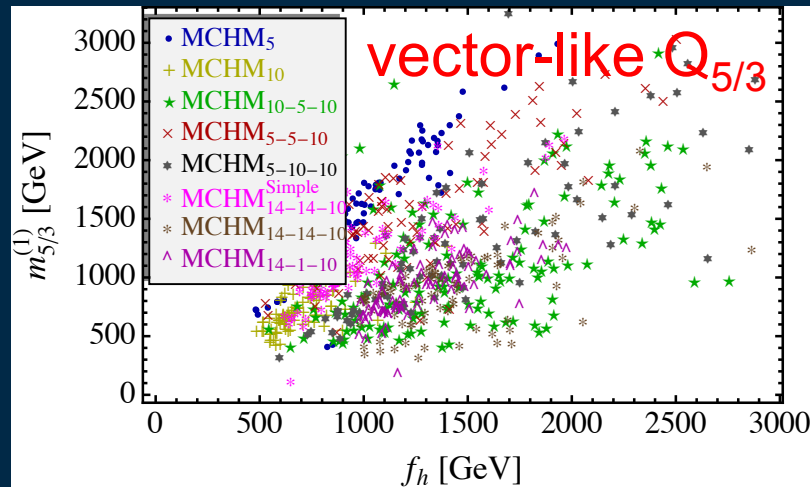


Light fermions (TeV range and possibly exotic charges: $Q = 2/3(T), -1/3(B), 5/3, 8/3, -4/3$)

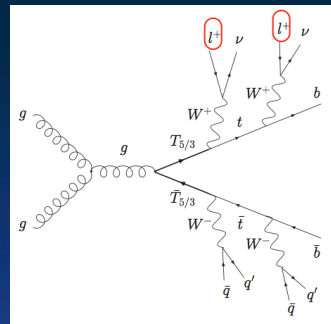
→ search for in single/double QCD production [LHC exclusion for $M_{\text{cust}} < 800$ GeV]

Composite models with extended symmetry predict light fermionic res.

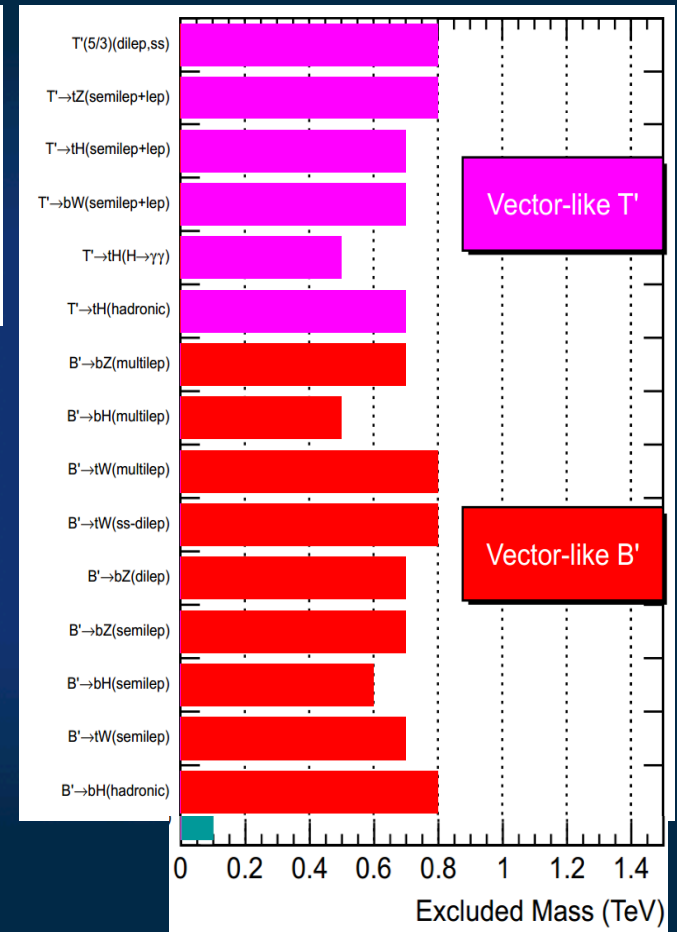
$$M_{\text{cust}} \sim m_\rho \cos \psi$$



SS di-leptons



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Outlook

Composite Higgs models, in particular with a pNGB Higgs, provide a tantalizing alternative to the strong dynamics realization of EWSB

Just starting to test them through Higgs precision measurements and vector-like fermion searches, with important constraints from PEWT

- Model Building depends on global symmetry group and composite fermion representations, that yield very different predictions for Higgs physics.
- MCHMs: suppression of production rates and decay widths but possible enhancement of Higgs BR's in di-bosons
- Light fermions, TeV range and possibly exotic charges at LHC reach
- More data on Higgs observables may distinguish between different realizations in the fermionic sector, providing information on the nature of the UV dynamics
- Direct searches for additional Higgs bosons (extended gauge symmetries) are as important as precise measurements of Higgs properties