

# The Flavor of $h$ (and $S$ ?)

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## Plan of Talk

1. Flavor at the LHC
2. The (B)SM flavor of  $h$
3. What if  $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 0.01$ ?
4. The flavor of  $S_{750}$
5. Conclusions

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One of the topics of this talk

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## The flavor puzzles

- The SM flavor puzzle:  
Why is there structure in the charged fermion flavor parameters?  
Smallness and hierarchy
- The SM flavor puzzle extended:  
Why is the neutrino flavor structure different?  
Neither smallness nor hierarchy
- The NP flavor puzzle:  
If there is TeV-scale NP, why doesn't it affect FCNC?  
Degeneracy and alignment

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- $h$   $\implies$  The “NP” is already here!  
 $Y_{\bar{f}_i f_j}$  are new flavor parameters that can be measured

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Dery, Efrati, Hochberg, YN, JHEP1305,039 [arXiv:1302.3229]

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## Relevant data

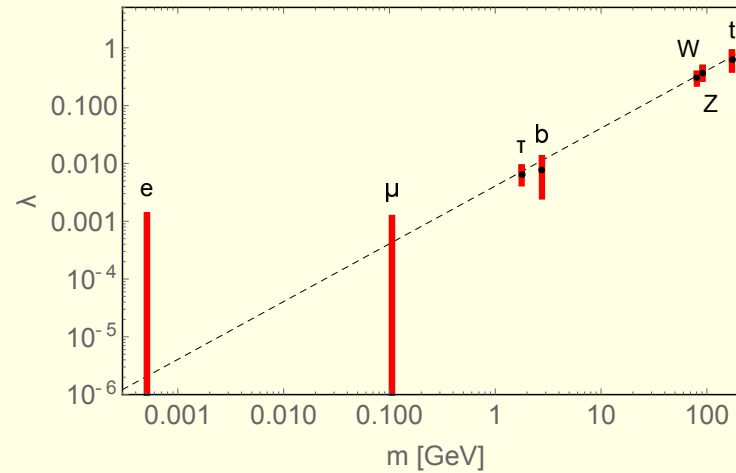
Observable	Experiment
$R_{\gamma\gamma}$	$1.14 \pm 0.18$
$R_{ZZ^*}$	$1.17 \pm 0.23$
$R_{WW^*}$	$0.99 \pm 0.15$
$R_{b\bar{b}}$	$0.7 \pm 0.3$
$R_{\tau\tau}$	$1.09 \pm 0.23$
$R_{\mu\mu}$	$< 7$
$R_{ee}$	$< 4 \times 10^5$

- $$R_f = \frac{\sigma_{\text{prod}} \text{BR}(h \rightarrow f)}{[\sigma_{\text{prod}} \text{BR}(h \rightarrow f)]^{\text{SM}}}$$

## $Y^F$ vs. $M_F$ : SM

- $Y^F = \sqrt{2}M_F/v$ 
  - Proportionality:  $y_i \equiv Y_{ii}^F \propto m_i$
  - Factor of proportionality:  $y_i/m_i = \sqrt{2}/v$
  - Diagonality:  $Y_{ij}^F = 0$  for  $i \neq j$

# Proportionality?



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- Indication that  $Y_t, Y_b, Y_\tau$  not far from SM
- $y_3/m_3 \approx \sqrt{2}/v$
- $y_e, y_\mu < y_\tau$
- The beginning of Higgs flavor physics

## Diagonality?

- $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow ch) \leq 0.0046$   
 $\implies \sqrt{Y_{tc}^2 + Y_{ct}^2} \leq 0.13$

ATLAS, 1509.06047; CMS, 1410.2751

- $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \leq 0.015$   
 $\implies \sqrt{Y_{\tau\mu}^2 + Y_{\mu\tau}^2} \leq 0.004$

CMS, 1502.07400; ATLAS, 1604.07730

## $Y^F$ vs. $M_F$ : BSM

- Proportionality and diagonality may be violated at tree level

- Two (or more) Higgs Doublets

Without loss of generality,  $\{\phi_M, \phi_A\}$  where

$$\langle \phi_M^0 \rangle = v/\sqrt{2}, \quad \langle \phi_A^0 \rangle = 0$$

$$h = s_{\alpha-\beta} \text{Re}(\phi_M^0) + c_{\alpha-\beta} \text{Re}(\phi_A^0)$$

$$\implies Y_h^E = s_{\alpha-\beta} (\sqrt{2} M_E / v) + c_{\alpha-\beta} Y_A^E$$

- Single Higgs doublet and non-renormalizable terms

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} (\phi^\dagger \phi) \phi \bar{L}_L Z^e E_R:$$

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## Leptonic observables

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- ATLAS/CMS:
  - $R_{\tau\tau} = 1.09 \pm 0.23$
  - $X_{\mu\mu} < 12(m_\mu/m_\tau)^2 \sim 0.05$ ,  $X_{ee} < 7 \times 10^5 (m_e/m_\tau)^2 \sim 0.06$
  - $X_{\mu\tau} = 0.14 \pm 0.06 < 0.3$

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  - Non-universal correction to the diagonal couplings +  
Off-diagonal couplings

# Higgs Physics = new flavor arena

Model	$Y_\tau^2 / (2m_\tau^2 / v^2)$	$(Y_\mu^2 / Y_\tau^2) / (m_\mu^2 / m_\tau^2)$	$Y_{\mu\tau}^2 / Y_\tau^2$
SM	1	1	0
NFC-II	$(\sin \alpha / \cos \beta)^2$	1	0
MFV*	$1 + 2av^2 / \Lambda^2$	$1 - 4bm_\tau^2 / \Lambda^2$	0
FN	$1 + \mathcal{O}(v^2 / \Lambda^2)$	$1 + \mathcal{O}(v^2 / \Lambda^2)$	$\mathcal{O}( U_{23} ^2 v^4 / \Lambda^4)$
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Measuring  $Y_{ij}$  can probe flavor models

What if  $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 0.01$ ?

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## Exciting $\times 3$

- $U(1)_\mu \times U(1)_\tau$  broken  
 $\Lambda_{\text{LFV}} \ll \Lambda_{\text{LNV}}$ ?
- $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \ll \text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\tau)$   
FCNC at tree level?
- $Y_E \not\propto M_E$   
Not the SM Higgs?

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- $\implies$  Accidental symmetry:  $U(1)_e \times U(1)_\mu \times U(1)_\tau$
- $h \rightarrow \tau\mu$  forbidden
- Accidental symmetries are broken by higher dimension terms (SM=EFT)

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## $d = 5$ terms

- $\frac{(Y^N)_{ij}}{\Lambda} L_i L_j \phi \phi$
- $M_N = \frac{Y^N v^2}{2\Lambda} \implies$  Explain neutrino mass and mixing
- Break  $U(1)_e \times U(1)_\mu \times U(1)_\tau$
- Break also total lepton number
- $h \rightarrow \tau\mu$  allowed, but...
  - Loop suppression  $\sim \alpha_2^2$
  - Mixing suppression  $\sim |U_{\mu 3} U_{\tau 3}|^2$
  - GIM suppression  $\sim (\Delta m_{23}^2 / m_W^2)^2$
- $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 10^{-50}$

## $d = 6$ terms

- $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} (\phi^\dagger \phi) \phi \bar{L}_i Z_{ij}^e E_j$ 
  - $M_E = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \left( Y^e + \frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} Z^e \right)$
  - $Y_h^E = Y^e + 3 \frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} Z^e$
  - $\implies Y_h^E = (\sqrt{2} M_E / v) + \frac{v^2}{2\Lambda^2} Z^e$
- For  $\Lambda / \sqrt{Z_{\mu\tau}^e} \sim \text{few TeV}$ :  $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 0.01$
- Note:  $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \phi \bar{\mu}_L X_{\mu\tau}^e \sigma_{\mu\nu} \tau_R F^{\mu\nu} \implies \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma$

## The scale of LFV

- $\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{LNV}}} LL\phi\phi$

$$m_\nu \sim 0.1 \text{ eV} \implies \Lambda_{\text{LNV}} \sim 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$$

Intriguingly close to  $\Lambda_{\text{GUT}}$

- $\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{LFV}}^2} \phi^\dagger \phi L\phi E^c$

$$\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 0.01 \implies \Lambda_{\text{LFV}} \sim 5 \text{ TeV}$$

New physics should be directly accessible at the LHC!

## Reminder: SM-FCNC are loop suppressed

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- The **gluon** and the **photon** do not mediate FCNC at tree level because massless gauge bosons have flavor-universal and, in particular, flavor diagonal couplings
- Within the SM, the **Z-boson** does not mediate FCNC at tree level because all fermions with the same chirality, color and charge originate in the same  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  representation
- Within the SM, the **h-boson** does not mediate FCNC at tree level because
  - All SM fermions are chiral  $\implies$  no bare mass terms
  - The scalar sector has a single Higgs doublet

## Loop suppression?

- All models with no bare mass terms and with NFC:

$h \rightarrow \tau\mu$  is loop suppressed

- With loop suppression:

$$(v^2/\Lambda^2)(\alpha_W/4\pi)X_{\mu\tau} \not\ll y_\tau \sim 10^{-2}$$

Very challenging model building

- MSSM - excluded Aloni, YN, Stamou, JHEP 04(2016)162 [1511.00979]

Brignole, Rossi, NPB701(2004)3; Arana-Catania, Arganda, Herrero, JHEP 09(2013)160

- Models with tree-level-FCNC favored

## Not the SM Higgs?

$Y_{\mu\tau}^h \neq 0$  at tree level:

- Single Higgs doublet and vector-like leptons  
Strongly disfavored by the  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$  bound

Efrati, YN, Stamou, work in progress

Dorsner et al., 1502.07784

- Multi-Higgs doublet models  
Not easy to combine with flavor models

## Vector-like leptons

- In all models of vector-like leptons, there are unavoidable tree level contributions to  $Z \rightarrow \tau\mu$  and  $\tau \rightarrow \mu\mu\mu$
- For each type of vector-like leptons, there is a parameter-independent relation:

$$\frac{\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) / \text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\tau)}{\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \tau\mu) / \frac{1}{3} \text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu})} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Efrati, YN, Stamou, work in progress

- Experiment:  $\frac{\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \tau\mu)}{\frac{1}{3} \text{BR}(Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu})} < 1.8 \times 10^{-4}$   
 $\implies \text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) < 2 \times 10^{-5}$
- Still, possible to account for  $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 0.01$  with fine-tuned cancelations
- Strongly disfavored



## 2HDM

- Without loss of generality, use the basis  $\{\phi_M, \phi_A\}$  where  $\langle \phi_M^0 \rangle = v/\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\langle \phi_A^0 \rangle = 0$
- $h = s_{\alpha-\beta} \text{Re}(\phi_M^0) + c_{\alpha-\beta} \text{Re}(\phi_A^0)$   
 $\implies Y_h^E = s_{\alpha-\beta}(\sqrt{2}M_E/v) + c_{\alpha-\beta}Y_A^E$
- Note:  $Y_A^E$  arbitrary
- With  $c_{\alpha-\beta}(Y_A^E)_{\mu\tau} \not\ll s_{\alpha-\beta}(\sqrt{2}m_\tau/v)$ :  
 $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \not\ll \text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\tau)$
- With all other  $(Y_A^E)_{ij} = 0$ , no phenomenological problems
- 2HDM: the favored option
- Inconsistent with motivated flavor models

What if  $S_{750}$  is really there?

## 2HDM, KS

- If  $S$  is part of 2HDM and produced by  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow S$ :
    - $\implies K - \bar{K}$  and  $D - \bar{D}$  mixing constrain  $Y_{Sq\bar{q}} < 0.5$
    - $\implies \frac{\Gamma(S \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)/M_S}{(\alpha/4\pi)^2} \gg 1$  is typically required
- Avoided if  $Y_{Sq\bar{q}}$  is  $U(2)$ -symmetric

Aloni, Blum, Dery, Efrati, YN, 1512.05778

- If  $S$  is part of 2HDM and  $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 0.01$ 
  - $\implies$  Lower bound on  $\Gamma(S \rightarrow \tau\mu)$

Bizot, Davidson, Frigerio, Kneur, 1512.08508; Efrati, Kamenik, YN, work in progress

- If  $S$  a QCD-bound state of  $XX^\dagger$  with  $X(3, 1)_{+4/3}$ 
  - $\implies$  Antisymmetric  $Xu_iu_j$  couplings

Kats, Strassler, 1602.08819

# Conclusions

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$$\underline{h \rightarrow \mu\tau}$$

If  $\text{BR}(h \rightarrow \tau\mu) \sim 0.01$ :

- SM, NFC, MLFV\* - excluded
- New physics at the TeV scale
- Most likely, FCNC at tree level
- Most likely, extra scalar doublets
- Challenge to present explanations of the flavor puzzles

## $h$ Physics = New Flavor Arena

Measure:

- Third generation couplings:  $Y_t, Y_b, Y_\tau$
- Second generation couplings:  $Y_c, Y_s, Y_\mu$
- Flavor violating couplings:  $Y_{\mu\tau}, Y_{e\tau}, Y_{ct}, Y_{ut}$

Test:

- MFV
- FN
- NFC
- ...

## *S* Physics

Search for:

- $WW, ZZ, Z\gamma, hh$
- $t\bar{t}, b\bar{b}, q\bar{q}, \tau^+\tau^-, \dots$
- $\tau\mu, \dots$

Test:

- ???

## 2HDM and Flavor Models

- Are there viable and natural flavor models that have
  - $Y_{\mu\tau} \sim 0.01$  but  $Y_{e\mu} \lesssim 10^{-6}$ ?
- Natural Flavor Conservation (NFC)
  - Impossible ( $Y_{\mu\tau} = 0$ )
- Minimal Lepton Flavor Violation (MLFV)
  - $Y^E$ -spurion: Impossible ( $Y_{\mu\tau} = 0$ )
  - $Y^E, Y^N, M^N$ -spurions: Possible with fine-tuning
- Froggatt-Nielsen (FN):
  - $Y_{e\mu}/Y_{\mu\tau} \sim |U_{e2}/U_{\mu3}|(m_\mu/m_\tau) \sim 0.05 \implies$  too large
  - Possible with supersymmetry and holomorphic zeros

Dery, Efrati, YN, Soreq, Susič, PRD90, 115022 [arXiv:1408.1371]



## Natural Flavor Conservation (NFC)

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- A solution to the 2HDM flavor puzzle
- NFC  $\equiv$  Each fermion sector ( $U, D, E$ ) couples to a single Higgs doublet
- Type II:  $\bar{Q}Y^U U\phi_2 + \bar{Q}Y^D D\phi_1 + \bar{L}Y^E E\phi_1$
- $Y_h^E = (\sin \alpha / \cos \beta)(\sqrt{2}M_E/v)$
- Proportionality and diagonality maintained, but with a different factor of proportionality

## Minimal Flavor Violation (MFV)

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- A solution to the NP flavor puzzle
- SM: When  $Y^F = 0 \implies$  A large global symmetry  
 $SU(3)_Q \times SU(3)_U \times SU(3)_D \times SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_E$
- MFV  $\equiv$  The only NP breaking of the  $SU(3)^5$  symmetry:  
 $Y^U(3, \bar{3}, 0, 0, 0)$ ,  $Y^D(3, 0, \bar{3}, 0, 0)$ ,  $Y^E(0, 0, 0, 3, \bar{3})$
- Example:  $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} (\phi^\dagger \phi) \overline{L_{Li}} Z_{ij}^e \phi E_{Rj}$
- $Z^e = (a + bY^{E\dagger}Y^E)Y^E$
- Proportionality violated, diagonality maintained

## The Froggatt-Nielsen mechanism (FN)

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- A solution to both the SM and the NP flavor puzzles
- A  $U(1)_H$  symmetry broken by a small spurion  $\epsilon_H(-1) \ll 1$
- Example:  $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} (\phi^\dagger \phi) \overline{L}_{Li} Z_{ij}^e \phi E_{Rj}$
- $Z_{ij}^e = \mathcal{O}(y_j |U_{ij}|)$
- Proportionality and diagonality violated

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