

A New Extension of the Standard Model

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Higgs Overview

- Responsible for breaking of electroweak gauge symmetry
→ Gives mass to SM particles

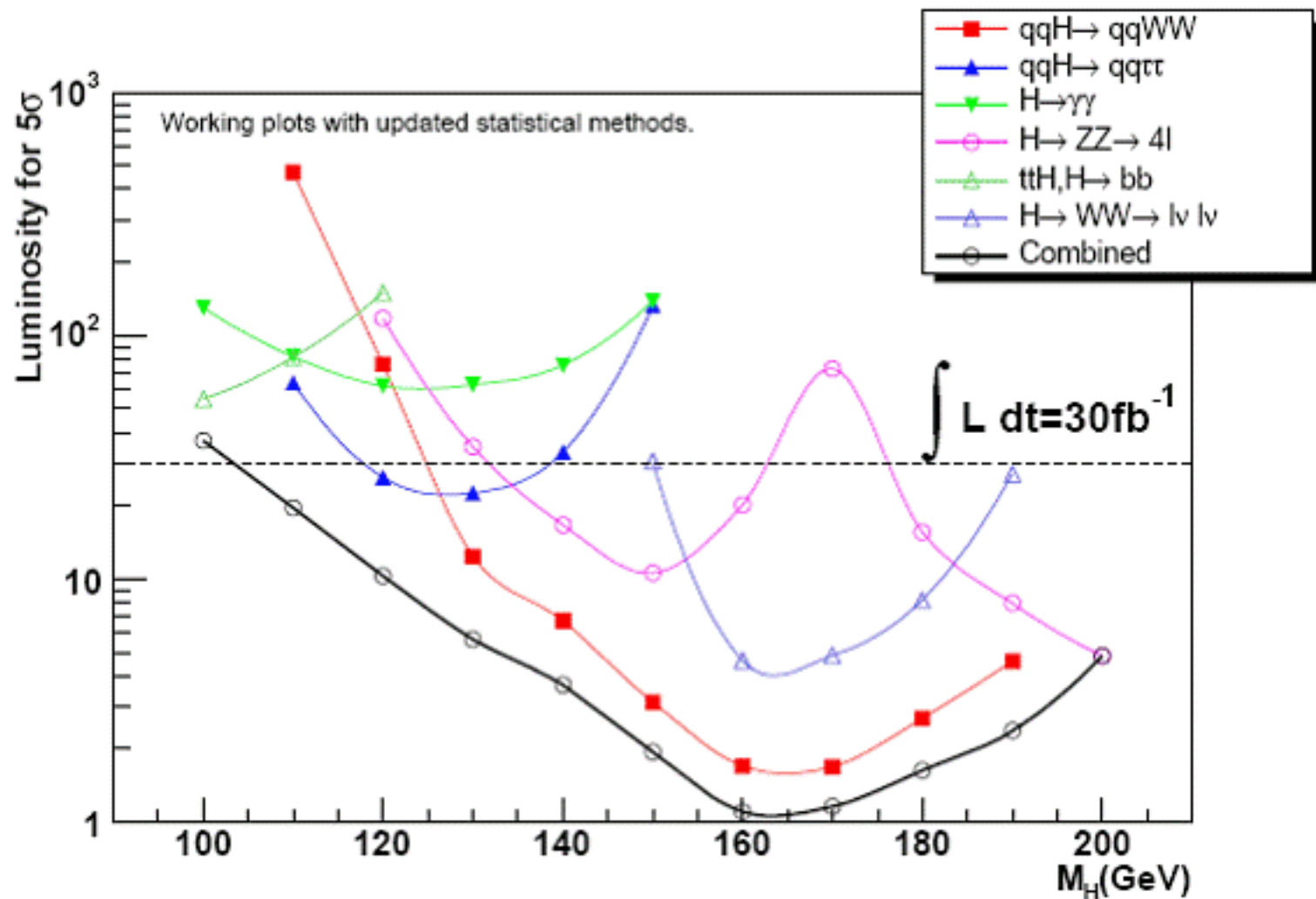
- Mass bound: $m_h > 114.4$ GeV (LEP)

- Dominant decay modes:

$$b \bar{b}, W W, Z Z, t \bar{t}$$

depending on the mass

- Experimentally, nothing currently known about Higgs sector



Two Higgs Doublet Models

- One doublet gives mass to up-type fermions only, the other to down-type fermions only. Motivated by SUSY
- Only one doublet couples to fermions, but both have VEV
- Only one doublet couples to fermions, and only that doublet has VEV. Motivation: Heavy Higgs, Higgs dark matter (Barbieri, Hall, and Rychkov)

Our Model

- One doublet gives mass to all SM fermions except neutrinos
- Other doublet gives mass only to neutrinos
- Gives an alternative explanation of small neutrino masses

- Symmetry $SM \times Z_2$
- Right-handed neutrinos N_R and two Higgs doublets χ, ϕ
- SM fermions, χ even under Z_2
- N_R, ϕ odd under Z_2
- $\langle \chi \rangle \simeq 250 \text{ GeV}, \quad \langle \phi \rangle \sim 10^{-2} - 1 \text{ eV}$

- Lepton Yukawa interactions:

$$y_l \bar{\Psi}_L^l l_R \chi + y_{\nu_l} \bar{\Psi}_L^l N_R \tilde{\phi} + h.c., \quad \bar{\Psi}_L^l = (\bar{\nu}_l, \bar{l})_L$$

→ Neutrinos get tiny mass from breaking of Z_2 symmetry

- Neutrinos are Dirac particles

→ No neutrino-less double beta decay

Higgs Potential:

$$V = -\mu_1^2 \chi^\dagger \chi - \mu_2^2 \phi^\dagger \phi + \lambda_1 (\chi^\dagger \chi)^2 + \lambda_2 (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 \\ + \lambda_3 (\chi^\dagger \chi)(\phi^\dagger \phi) - \lambda_4 |\chi^\dagger \phi|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_5 \left[(\chi^\dagger \phi)^2 + (\phi^\dagger \chi)^2 \right]$$

Physical Higgs Particles:

- Charged Higgs $H^{+/-}$
- Neutral pseudoscalar ρ
- Two neutral scalars h, σ

In Unitary Gauge:

$$\chi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} \frac{V_\phi}{V} H^+ \\ h_0 + i \frac{V_\phi}{V} \rho + V_\chi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -\sqrt{2} \frac{V_\chi}{V} H^+ \\ \sigma_0 - i \frac{V_\chi}{V} \rho + V_\phi \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V^2 = V_\chi^2 + V_\phi^2$$

Higgs Masses:

$$m_H^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_4 + \lambda_5)V^2, \quad m_\rho^2 = \lambda_5 V^2$$

$$m_{h,\sigma}^2 = \left(\lambda_1 V_\chi^2 + \lambda_2 V_\phi^2 \right)$$

$$\pm \sqrt{\left(\lambda_1 V_\chi^2 - \lambda_2 V_\phi^2 \right)^2 + \left(\lambda_3 - \lambda_4 - \lambda_5 \right) V_\chi^2 V_\phi^2}$$

→ very light scalar: $m_\sigma^2 = 2\lambda_2 V_\phi^2 + \mathcal{O}(V_\phi^2 / V_\chi^2)$

$$m_h^2 = 2\lambda_1 V_\chi^2 + \mathcal{O}(V_\phi^2 / V_\chi^2)$$

Mass Eigenstates h, σ :

$$h_0 = c h + s \sigma, \quad \sigma_0 = -s h + c \sigma$$

$$c = 1 + \mathcal{O}(V_\phi^2 / V_\chi^2), \quad s = -\frac{\lambda_3 - \lambda_4 - \lambda_5}{2\lambda_1} (V_\phi / V_\chi) + \mathcal{O}(V_\phi^2 / V_\chi^2)$$

→ Mixing is very small

Note: h behaves essentially like the SM Higgs in interactions with fermions and gauge bosons

Phenomenological Implications

Light scalar σ

Possible decay modes:

- $\sigma \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$, if $m_\sigma > 2m_\nu$
- $\sigma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (*one loop*)

$$\Gamma \sim \frac{e^8 m_\sigma^5}{m_q^4} \Rightarrow \tau \sim 10^{20} \text{ yrs}$$

→ σ only observable at colliders as missing energy

Couplings of σ to quarks and charged leptons are highly suppressed

ZZ σ coupling is proportional to V_ϕ

$$\Rightarrow e^+ e^- \rightarrow Z^* \rightarrow Z \sigma, \quad Z \rightarrow Z^* \sigma \rightarrow f \bar{f} \sigma$$

are suppressed by a factor of $(V_\phi/m_Z)^2$

However, ZZ $\sigma\sigma$ coupling is unsuppressed:

$$Z \rightarrow Z^* \sigma \sigma \rightarrow f \bar{f} \sigma \sigma$$

$$\sum_f \Gamma(Z \rightarrow f \bar{f} \sigma \sigma) \simeq 2.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ GeV}$$

Total Z width = 2.4952 +/- 0.0023 GeV (PDG)

At LEP1, $\approx 1.7 \times 10^7$ Z's $\rightarrow \approx 2$ such events

Coupling of σ to neutrinos is relatively large

$\Rightarrow Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu} \sigma$ can be significant

$$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu} \sigma) \simeq (2.5 \text{ MeV}) y_\nu^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum y_\nu^2 < 0.6$$

Invisible Z width = 499 +/- 1.5 MeV (PDG)

Can also have $\pi \rightarrow \mu \nu \sigma$

$$B(\pi \rightarrow \mu \nu \sigma) \simeq 0.05 y_\nu^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y_\nu < 0.02$$

Pseudoscalar ρ

No strong coupling

$$\rightarrow \frac{\lambda_5}{4\pi^2} \leq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_\rho \leq 470 \text{ GeV}$$

$$Z \rightarrow \rho \sigma, \quad Z \rightarrow \rho^* \sigma \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu} \sigma$$

Note: Couplings of ρ to quarks and charged leptons are VEV suppressed

\rightarrow For $m_\rho < m_Z$, $\rho \rightarrow \nu \bar{\nu}$ dominant decay mode

$\Rightarrow Z \rightarrow \rho \sigma$ invisible

Invisible Z width = 499 +/- 1.5 MeV (PDG)

$$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \rho\sigma) = \frac{G_F m_Z^3}{24\sqrt{2}\pi} \left(1 - \frac{m_\rho^2}{m_Z^2}\right)^3 < 1.5 \text{ MeV}$$

For $m_\rho > 78 \text{ GeV}$

For $m_\rho > m_Z$, we have $e^+ e^- \rightarrow Z^* \rightarrow \rho\sigma$

$$\sigma = \frac{G_F m_Z^4 (g_V^2 + g_A^2) s}{24\pi} \left(\frac{1}{s - m_Z^2}\right)^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\rho^2}{s}\right)^3$$

At LEP2, with $\sqrt{s} \sim 200 \text{ GeV}$ and $\sim 3000 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ of data, < 1 event is expected for $m_\rho > 95 \text{ GeV}$

Heavy scalar h

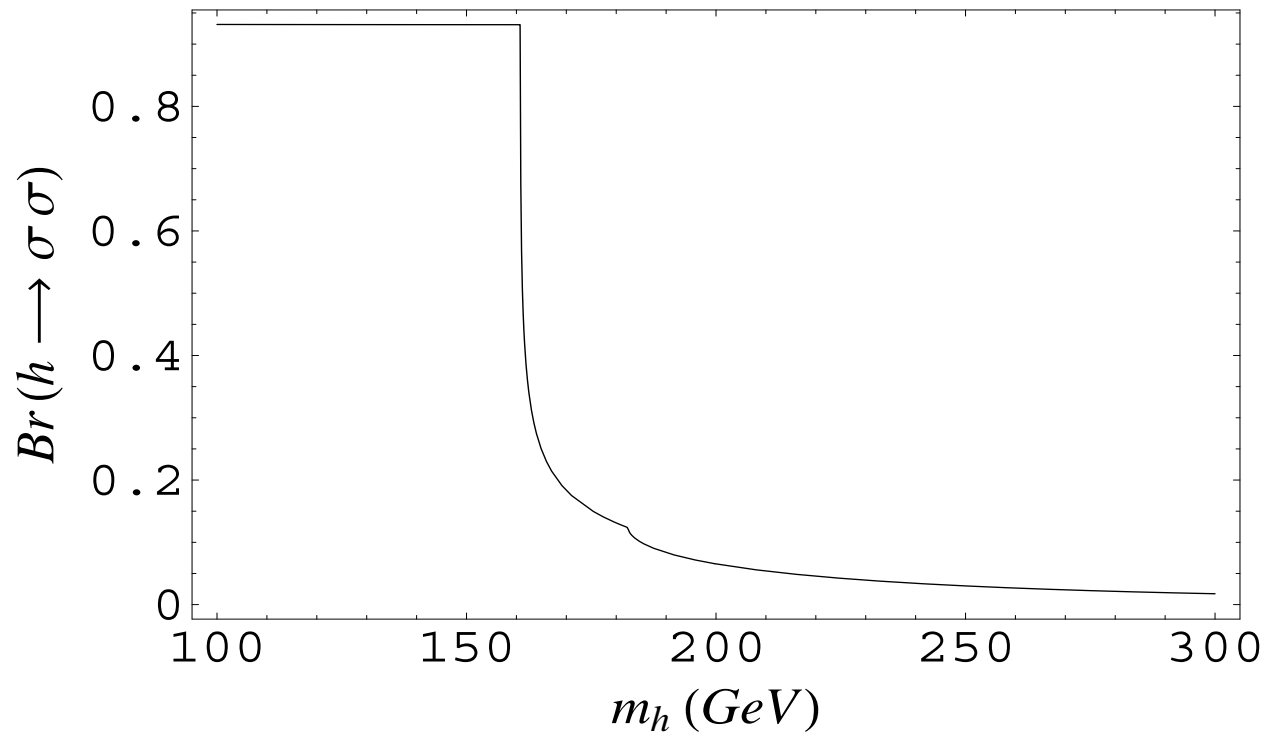
Essentially SM Higgs

Invisible decay mode: $h \rightarrow \sigma \sigma$

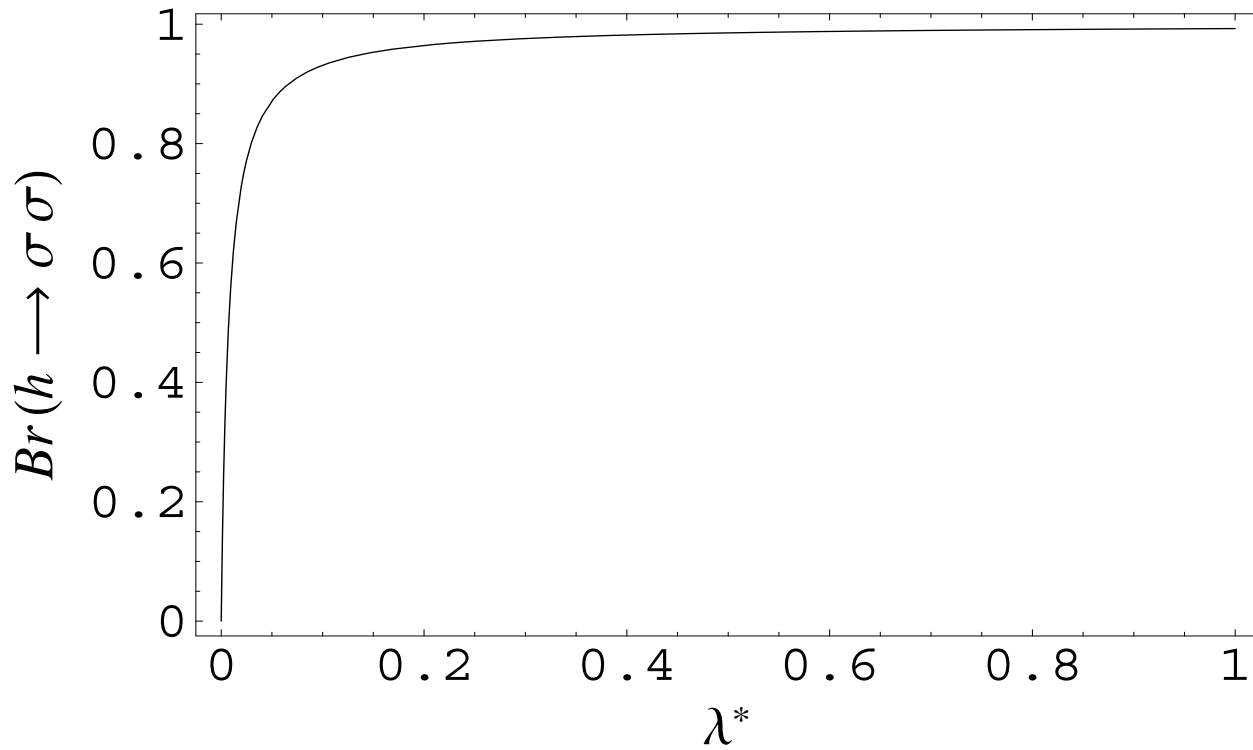
$$\Gamma(h \rightarrow \sigma\sigma) = \frac{(\lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \lambda_5)^2 V_\chi^2}{32\pi m_h}$$

$$m_h^2 = 2\lambda_1 V_\chi^2 + \mathcal{O}(V_\phi^2 / V_\chi^2)$$

$$\Gamma(h \rightarrow \sigma\sigma) = \frac{(\lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \lambda_5)^2 m_h}{64\pi\lambda_1} \equiv \frac{\lambda^* m_h}{64\pi}$$



$$\lambda^* = 0.1$$



$$m_h = 135 \text{ GeV}$$

For a wide range of λ^* , this mode dominant for $m_h < 160$ GeV

Current limit for invisible Higgs: $m_h > 112.3$ GeV (L3)

At LHC, invisibly decaying Higgs observable through WBF:

$$qq \rightarrow qqWW \rightarrow qqh, \quad qq \rightarrow qqZZ \rightarrow qqh$$

Signal: Two q's with high p_T + invisible

This signal can be observed at 95% CL with >10 fb⁻¹ of data if $B(h \rightarrow \text{invisible}) > 30\%$ and $m_h < 400$ GeV (Eboli and Zeppenfeld)

Difficult to identify invisible particle as Higgs

Cosmological Implications

Big-Bang Nucleosynthesis

- Predicted light element abundances depend on the number g_* of light spin degrees of freedom in thermal equilibrium at $T \sim 1$ MeV

$$g_* = g_b + \frac{7}{8} g_f$$

- In the standard scenario (SBBN), this includes γ , $e^{+/-}$, ν_L 's:

$$(g_*)_{SBBN} = 2 + \frac{7}{8}(4) + \frac{7}{8}(6) = 10.75$$

- In our model, relatively strong interactions between left- and right-handed neutrinos and the light scalar σ will keep them in thermal equilibrium

$$g_* = (g_*)_{SBBN} + 1 + \frac{7}{8}(6) = 17$$

$$N_{eff} = 6 + \frac{4}{7}$$

- Reactions that interconvert protons and neutrons fall out of thermal equilibrium at a higher temperature ($T \sim g_*^{1/6}$)
- Leads to larger ratio of neutrons to protons during BBN
- Gives a mass fraction of He-4 produced during BBN of $Y_p \approx 0.30$
- Observed value: $Y_p \approx 0.25$

Possible Solution: Large Neutrino Degeneracy

- SBBN assumes $\mu_\nu \approx 0$, but it has not been measured directly
- Alters equilibrium value of neutron to proton ratio to

$$\frac{n}{p} = e^{-\frac{\mu_\nu}{T}} \left(\frac{n}{p} \right)_{\mu_\nu = 0}$$

- We require μ_ν/T to be order 0.1
- Studies that allow μ_ν/T , N_{eff} , and Ω_B to vary within observational constraints from BBN+WMAP find an upper bound on N_{eff} from 7.1 to 8.7 (Barger *et al.*, 2003; Cuoco *et al.*, 2004, Steigman, 2005)

Another Possible Solution: Late-Decaying Particles

- The energetic decay products of a massive particle ($m > \text{a few GeV}$) that decays during or after nucleosynthesis can cause nuclear reactions among background nuclei, altering light element abundances

Non-BBN Bounds on Number of Neutrinos

- WMAP+LRG's: $0.8 < N_{\text{eff}} < 7.6$ (Ichikawa, Kawasaki, Takahashi, Nov. 2006)
- Seljak, Slosar, McDonald (WMAP + several other astrophysical data sources) claim that more than 3 neutrinos is required (Sep. 2006)

Domain Walls

- Breaking of discrete Z_2 symmetry will lead to cosmological domain walls

- Energy per unit area: $\eta \sim V_\phi^3$

→ Produces temperature anisotropies:

$$\frac{\delta T}{T} \simeq G \eta H_0^{-1} \sim 10^{-20}$$

- Observed level of temperature anisotropies is 10^{-5}

Conclusions

- Proposed new two Higgs doublet model based on $SM \times Z_2$
- Z_2 broken at $\sim 10^{-2}$ eV
- Gives new mechanism for tiny neutrino mass
- Neutrinos are Dirac particles
- Higgs: $H^{+/-}$, h , $\rho \rightarrow$ mass at EW scale, $\sigma \rightarrow$ extremely light
- h like SM, but possibly dominant invisible decay mode $h \rightarrow \sigma\sigma$
- Alters Higgs signals at LHC, but observable through WBF
- BBN problem solvable