

# Continuum Naturalness

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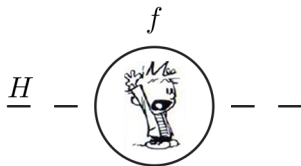
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- 1 Introduction, Composite Higgs review, goals
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$$\Delta m_H^2 \Big|_S \sim \frac{\lambda_S}{8\pi^2} \left( -\Lambda^2 + m_S^2 \log \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_S^2} \right).$$

$$\text{with } \lambda_S = \lambda_f^2.$$

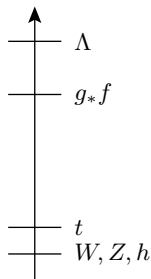
# The composite Higgs framework

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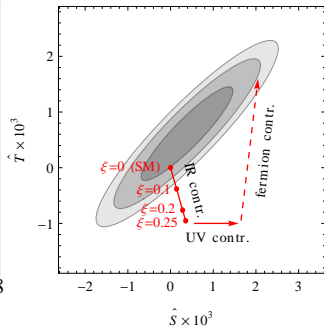
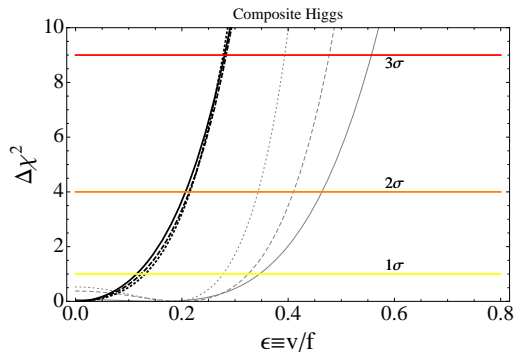
Georgi, Kaplan (1984)

- ▶ Strongly-interacting sector with global symmetry group  $\mathcal{G}$  spontaneously broken to  $\mathcal{H}$  at a confinement scale  $\Lambda$ .
- ▶ Composite states (e.g., mesons) have masses  $g_* f$ , with  $g_* \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  (where  $f$  is like pion decay constant).
- ▶ Higgs is pNGB in the coset  $\mathcal{G}/\mathcal{H}$ .
- ▶ Higgs potential generated radiatively, quadratic divergences cut off at scale  $g_* f$  of composite partners.
- ▶ SM fermions and gauge bosons are a mixture of elementary and composite sector states (partial compositeness).

Kaplan (1991)



# Higgs couplings and EWPO



Falkowski, Riva, Urbano 1303.1812; Grojean, Matsedonskyi, Panico 1306.4655

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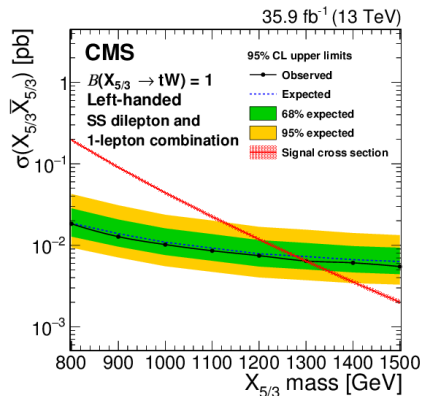
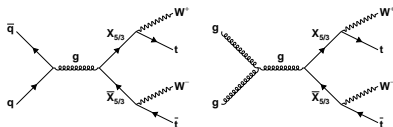
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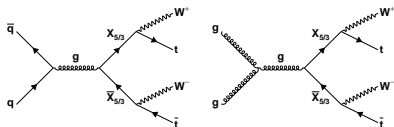




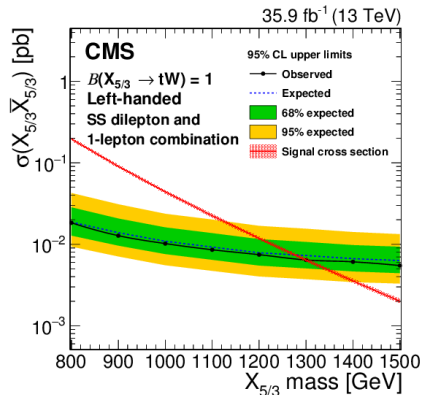
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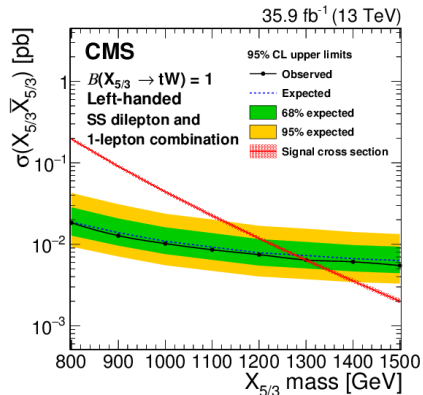
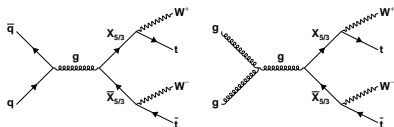
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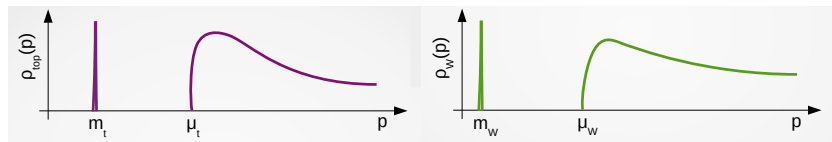
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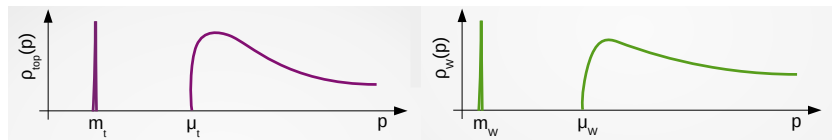
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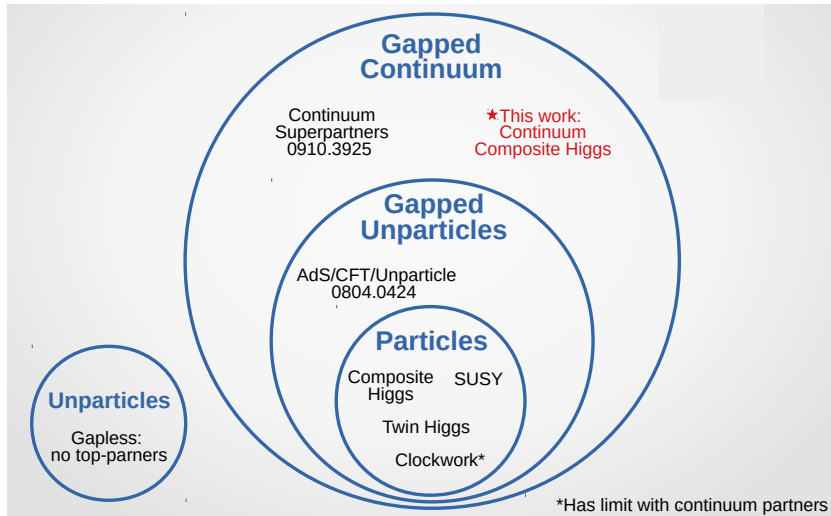
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- ▶ Can we achieve this in the context of confinement in a strongly-interacting model in a calculable way?
- ▶ Can it improve on existing models in terms of tuning for cancelling the quadratic divergence?
- ▶ How do we hide from existing searches at colliders?

# Thinking outside the particle box (or circle)



slide by C. Csáki

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We see this via a dispersion relation to express  $G$  in terms of its spectral density  $\rho$ :

$$G(p^2) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty ds \frac{\text{Im} G(s)}{s - p^2},$$
$$\rho(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} G(s) = \sum_n \delta(s - m_n^2) + \rho_c(s).$$

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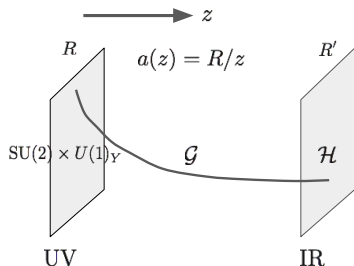
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Take for example, RS2 with UV brane position taken to  $R \rightarrow 0$  ( $M_{\text{Pl}} \rightarrow \infty$ ) with a bulk fermion:

Cacciapaglia, Marandella, Terning 0804.0424



$$ds^2 = a^2(z)(dx^\mu dx_\mu - dz^2),$$

$$a(z) = R/z, \quad \Psi = \begin{pmatrix} \chi \\ \bar{\psi} \end{pmatrix}.$$

The Lagrangian in the Einstein frame is

$$\mathcal{L}_E = a^4(z) \left[ \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} + \frac{c}{z} (\psi\chi + \bar{\chi}\bar{\psi}) \right],$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = -i\bar{\chi}\bar{\sigma}^\mu p_\mu \chi - i\psi\sigma^\mu p_\mu \bar{\psi} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \psi \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_5 \chi - \bar{\chi} \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_5 \bar{\psi} \right),$$

where  $c$  is a bulk mass.

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Integrating out the bulk eom to map onto the 4D effective action, the Green's function for a LH source (or a RH operator in the 4D CFT) is

$$G(p^2) = \frac{1}{p} \overline{\lim}_{z \rightarrow 0} \frac{\psi(z)}{\chi(z)} \propto \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} - c\right)}{4^c \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2} + c\right)} \frac{1}{(-p^2)^{\frac{1}{2} - c}}$$

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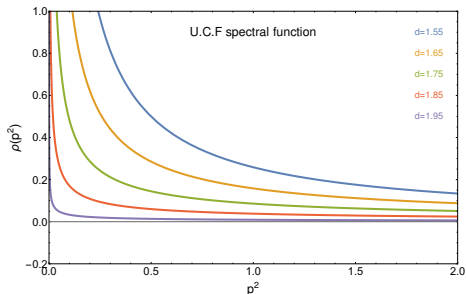
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the equivalence between the 4D and 5D pictures is manifest when  $d = 2 + c$  for  $c > -1/2$ .



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Falkowski, Perez-Victoria 0806.1737, 0810.4940

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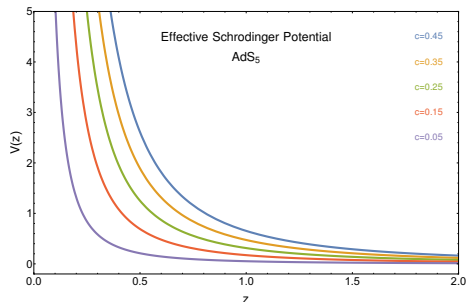
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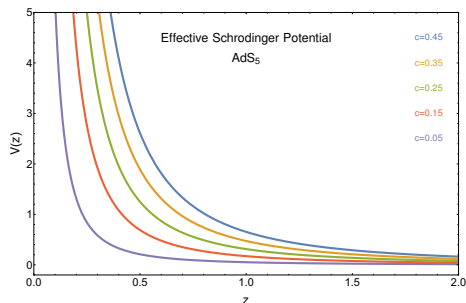
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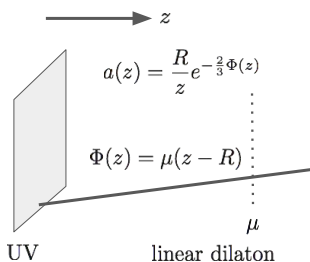
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$V(z \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow \text{const} \Rightarrow$  “QM” scattering states in Schrödinger picture  $\longleftrightarrow$  4D continuum

## Enter the (linear) dilaton



String frame 5D Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_S = e^{-2\Phi(z)} \left( \frac{R}{z} \right)^5 \left[ \frac{z}{R} \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} + \frac{1}{R} (c + y\Phi(z)) (\psi\chi + \bar{\chi}\bar{\psi}) \right],$$

$c$  is bulk mass,  $y$  is bulk Yukawa coupling.

Einstein frame 5D Lagrangian:

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$$\hat{c}(z) = (c + y\Phi(z)) e^{\frac{2}{3}\Phi(z)}.$$

Can also gauge kinetic terms:

$$\mathcal{L}_E = a(z) e^{-2\Phi(z)} \frac{1}{4} F^{MN} F_{MN}.$$

Falkowski, Perez-Victoria 0806.1737; Batell, Gherghetta, Sword 0808.3977; Gutsche et al. 1108.0346

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with  $W$  a Whittaker function,  $\Delta = \sqrt{y^2\mu^2 - p^2}$ , imaginary for  $p^2 > y^2\mu^2$ .

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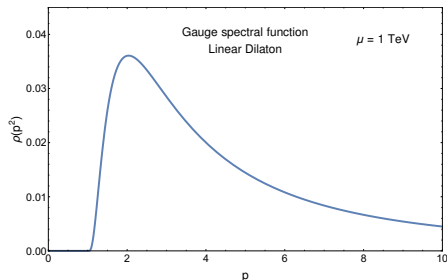
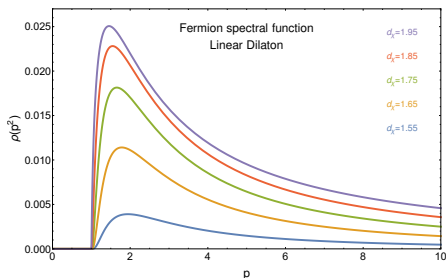


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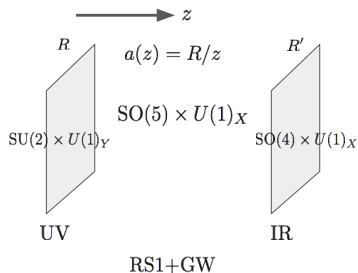
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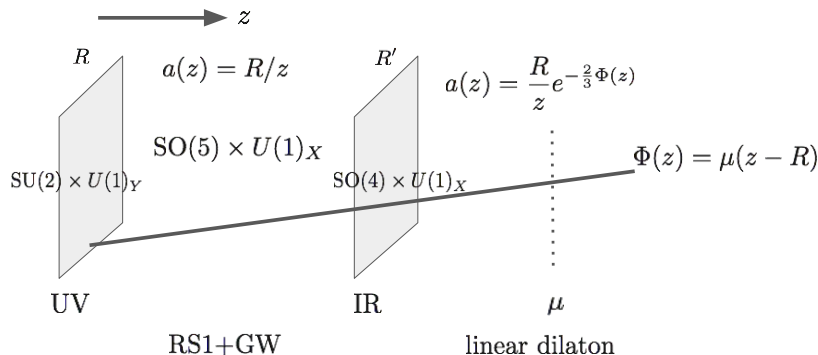
## 5D picture for (minimal) CH

Agashe, Contino, Pomarol hep-ph/0412089



- ▶ RS1 implementation, with  $SO(5) \times U(1)_X$  bulk gauge symmetry, broken to  $SU(2) \times U(1)_Y$  on the UV brane and  $SO(4) \times U(1)_X$  on the IR brane, with  $Y = T_{3R} + X$  on UV brane.
- ▶ Dirichlet BC's on IR brane for broken generators of  $SO(5)/SO(4)$  yield zero modes in  $A_5$  – Wilson line from  $R$  to  $R'$  corresponds to Higgs in 4D theory.
- ▶ Massless states become combinations of fermion bulk gauge multiplets with nonzero  $SO(4)$ -invariant IR brane mass terms – SM Yukawas in 4D eff theory.
- ▶  $A_5$  gets a vev. Perform a bulk gauge transformation using the  $\langle A_5 \rangle$  Wilson line, rotating the IR boundary conditions and lifting the zero modes.
- ▶ Goldberger-Wise mechanism to stabilize brane positions in 5th dimension.

## The full 5D setup for continuum CH



Roughly, combine

- ▶ 5D RS1 (with Goldberger-Wise) implementation of MCHM to solve hierarchy problem,
- ▶ linear dilaton in space beyond IR brane (“deep IR”) responsible for continuum.

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- ▶ Apply **appropriate** boundary conditions on UV and IR branes to obtain chiral SM zero modes and the Higgs as the  $A_5$  of the broken generators of  $SO(5)/SO(4)$ , and demand “deep IR”-regular solutions.
- ▶ Implement rotation of IR boundary **jump** conditions (for fermions, inhomogeneous due to IR brane mass terms) by Higgs vev (Wilson line of  $\langle A_5 \rangle$  from  $R$  to  $R'$ ) of broken generators  $SO(5)/SO(4)$ .

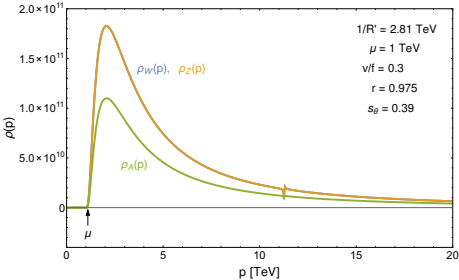
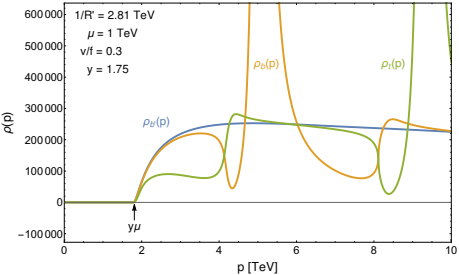
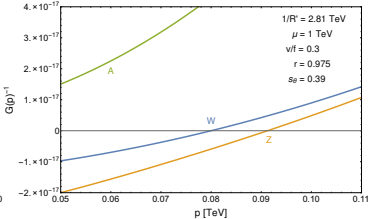
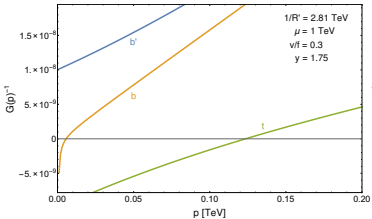
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Medina, Shah, Wagner; 0706.1281; Csáki, Falkowski, Weiler 0804.1954
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- ▶ Solve for inhomogeneous eom in 5th dimension to obtain 5D Green's functions  $G(z, z'; p^2)$ .
- ▶ Take appropriate limit  $z, z' \rightarrow R$  to obtain 4D Green's functions in effective theory.
- ▶ Diagonalize ( $20 \times 20$  for fermion,  $4 \times 4$  for gauge) and take imaginary parts to obtain spectral densities.

# Results: spectral functions for benchmark point

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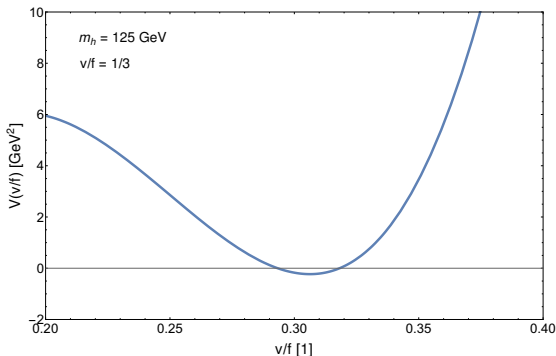


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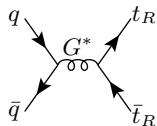
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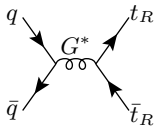
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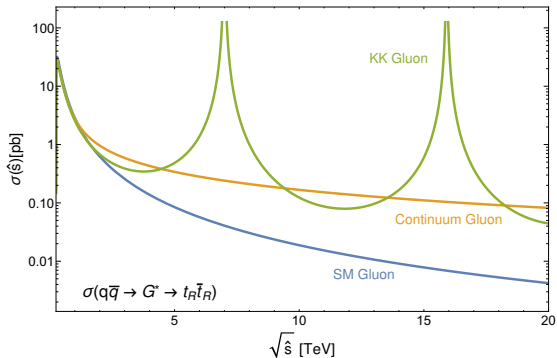
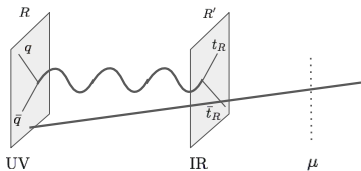


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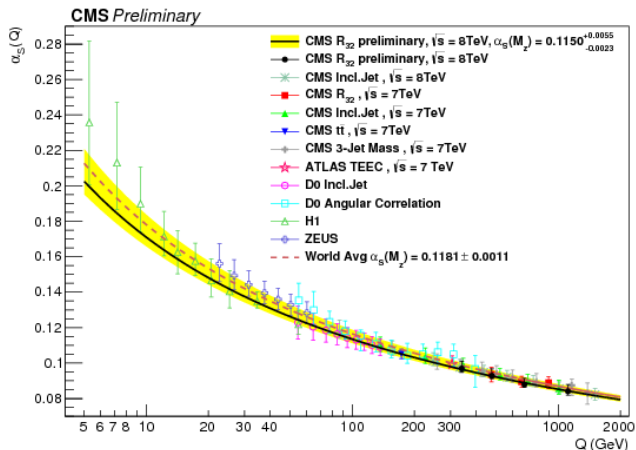


Instead, continuum gluons yield a smooth excess above the SM background, given by

$$\sigma(\hat{s}) \sim \sigma_{\text{SM}}(\hat{s}) \times \hat{s}^2 |G(R, R'; \hat{s})|^2$$

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Jets at the LHC test perturbative QCD at the TeV scale, including the running of  $\alpha_s$ .



CMS-PAS-SMP-16-008, CMS 1609.05331

see also talks by I.J. Watson, M. Mangano

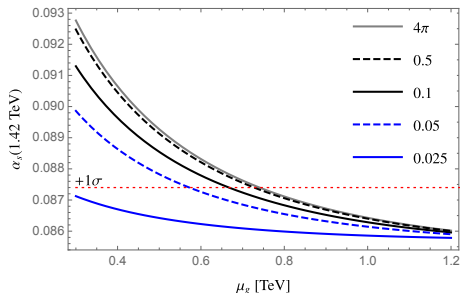
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$$\frac{1}{g^2(Q)} = \frac{1}{g_5^2} \int_R^{1/Q} dz a(z) + \frac{1}{g_{UV}^2} - \frac{b_{UV}}{8\pi^2} \log\left(\frac{1}{RQ}\right),$$

Arkani-Hamed, Porrati, Randall hep-ph/0012148

Include UV brane-localized kinetic terms that maintain bulk perturbativity.



Bounds from CMS data from  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and 8 TeV runs up to  $Q = 1.42$  TeV  $\Rightarrow \mu_g \gtrsim 600$  GeV (excluding error from assuming SM running).

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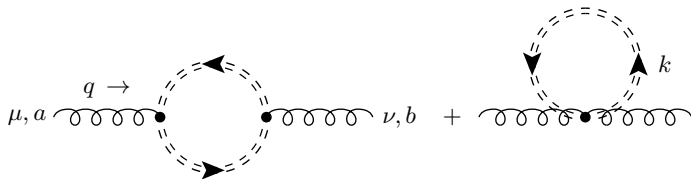
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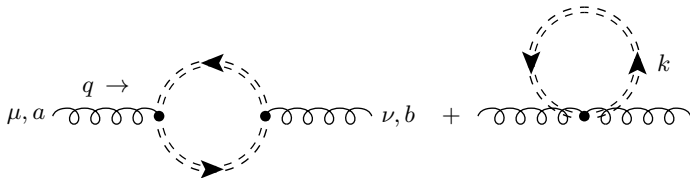


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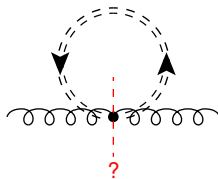
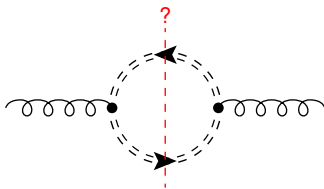
Looks simple - just use Cutkosky?

$$\text{Im} \frac{1}{p^2 - m_\chi^2 + i\epsilon} = -\pi \delta(p^2 - m_\chi^2)$$



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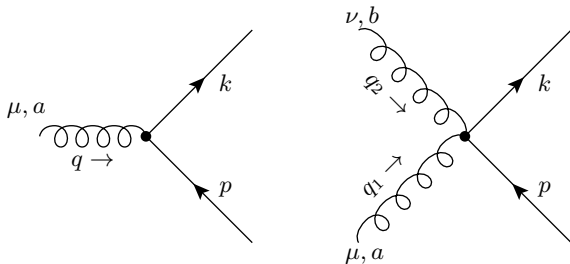
Unfortunately, no.



- ▶ “Generalized unitarity”, since gluon-continuum fermion vertices are functions of momentum.
- ▶ Also, unknown final-state phase space for general continuum (tractable example: “fractional particles” for unparticles).

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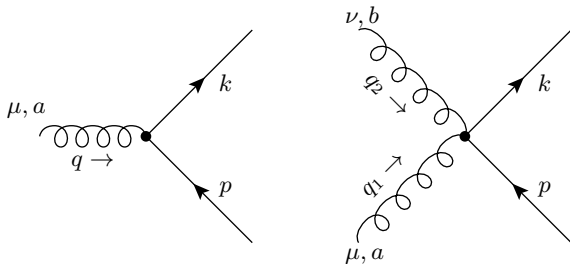


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- ▶ Go to position space.
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**Ambition: master formula for  $s$ -channel pair production of general continuum partners.**

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## Schrödinger for gauge bosons

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{A}(z) &= \sqrt{\frac{R}{z}} e^{-\mu(z-R)} A(z), \\ -\hat{A}''(z) + V_{\text{eff}}(z)\hat{A}(z) &= p^2 \hat{A}(z), \\ V_{\text{eff}}(z) &= \mu^2 + \frac{\mu}{z} + \frac{3}{4z^2} \xrightarrow{z \rightarrow 0} \mu^2.\end{aligned}$$

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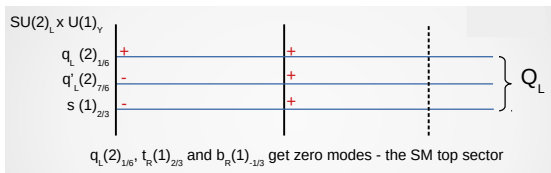
$$A(z) = A \sqrt{\frac{z}{R}} e^{\mu(z-R)} W\left(-\frac{\mu}{2\Delta}, 1; 2\Delta z\right), \quad \Delta = \sqrt{\mu^2 - p^2}.$$

The Neumann Green's function has a pole at  $p^2 = 0$  and a branch cut for  $p^2 > \mu^2$  with the spectral density

$$\rho(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \overline{\lim}_{z \rightarrow 0} \text{Im} \frac{A(z)}{A'(z)} = \frac{1}{2\pi s} \left[ 1 + i\psi\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\mu}{2\Delta}\right) - i\psi\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\mu}{2\Delta}\right) \right],$$

$\psi(x)$  is the digamma function.

## More calculational details



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IR brane mass terms:

$$S_{\text{IR}} = \int d^4x \sqrt{g_{\text{ind}}} \left[ M_1 \bar{y}_L t_R + M_4 (\bar{q}_L q_R + \bar{\tilde{q}}_L \tilde{q}_R) + M_b (\bar{q}_L q'_R + \bar{\tilde{q}}_L \tilde{q}'_R) \right].$$

Tuning:

$$\text{tuning} = \left[ \max_i \frac{d \log v}{d \log p_i} \right]^{-1}, \quad p_i \in \{R, R', \mu, r, \theta, y, c_Q, c_T, c_B, M_1, m_4, M_b\}.$$

## Green's functions in full model

Gauge:

$$G(z) = \left(\frac{z}{R}\right) e^{\mu(z-R)} \left[ A M\left(-\frac{\mu}{2\Delta}, 1; 2\Delta z\right) + B W\left(-\frac{\mu}{2\Delta}, 1; 2\Delta z\right) \right].$$

Fermion:

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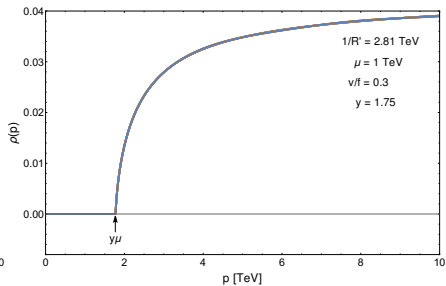
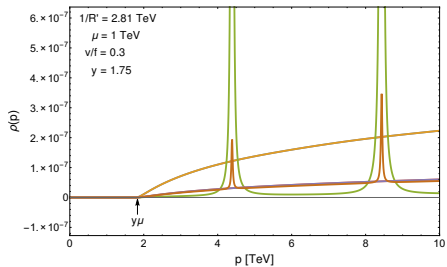
$$\psi_{QL}(z) = a(z)^{-2} \left[ A \alpha(c_Q, p) \hat{M}(c_Q, z) + B \beta(p) \hat{W}(c_Q, z) \right],$$

with  $\alpha(c_Q, p) \equiv \frac{4(\frac{1}{2} + c_Q - R\mu y)\Delta}{p}$ ,  $\beta(p) \equiv \frac{\mu y - \Delta}{p}$ , and

$$\hat{M}(c_Q, z) = M\left(\frac{-\mu y (c_Q - \mu y R)}{\Delta}, \frac{1}{2} + c_Q - R\mu y, 2\Delta z\right),$$

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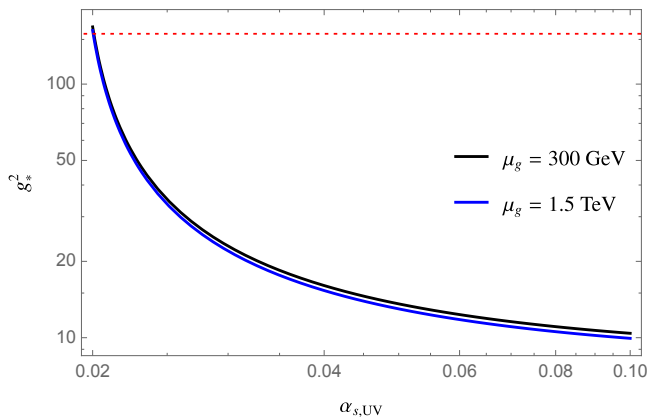
# Exotic partner spectral functions



## Bulk perturbativity

$$\frac{1}{\alpha(Q)} = \frac{1}{\alpha_5} \int_R^{1/Q} dz a(z) + \frac{1}{\alpha_{UV}} - \frac{b_{UV}}{2\pi} \log\left(\frac{1}{RQ}\right) + \theta(1/R' - Q) \left[ \frac{1}{\alpha_{IR}} - \frac{b_{IR}}{2\pi} \log\left(\frac{1}{R'Q}\right) \right].$$

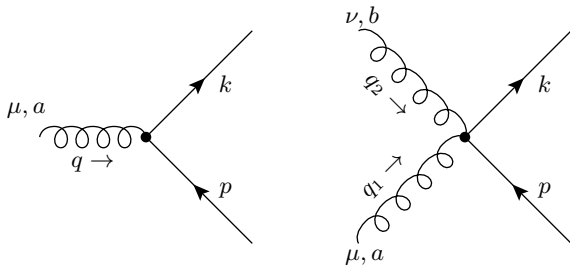
- ▶ Use soft-wall metric  $a(z) = R/z \exp\left(\frac{2}{3}(R-z)\mu\right)$ .
- ▶ Assume SM fields localized at UV brane except for  $t_R$ .





## Feynman rules from nonlocal actions

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Mandelstam (1962), Terning (1991)

$$\begin{aligned}
 ig\Gamma_\psi^{\alpha\mu}(p, q) &= igT^a \left\{ \left( \not{p} + \frac{\not{q}}{2} - m \right) (2p + q)^\mu \mathcal{F}_\psi(p, q) + \gamma^\mu \left[ \frac{\Sigma_\psi(p + q) + \Sigma_\psi(p)}{2} \right] \right\} \\
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 \Gamma_\psi^{\alpha\mu, b}(p, q_1, q_2) &= T^a T^b (2p + q_1)^\mu \mathcal{F}_\psi(p, q_1) + T^b T^a (2(p + q_2) + q_1)^\mu \mathcal{F}_\psi(p + q_2, q_1) \\
 \mathcal{F}(p, q) &\equiv \frac{\Sigma_\psi(p + q) - \Sigma_\psi(p)}{q^2 + 2p \cdot q}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Proof of principle: gapped fermionic unparticles

$$\left. \frac{g_{\mu\nu} \text{Im} \widehat{\Pi}_{\psi}^{\mu\nu}(q; D)}{g_{\mu\nu} \text{Im} \widehat{\Pi}_{\psi}^{\mu\nu}(q; 0)} \right|_{\beta \rightarrow 0} = 1 + \frac{\sin D\pi}{D\pi} \left( \frac{1}{2} + B_{\frac{1}{2}}(2+D, 1-D) + B_{\frac{1}{2}}(2-D, 1+D) \right. \\ \left. - B_{\frac{1}{2}}(1+D, 2-D) - B_{\frac{1}{2}}(1-D, 2+D) \right)$$

