

Status of the SHIFT project

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- This talk is not exhaustive. A complete list of publications can be found [here](#).

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Higgs fine-tuning problem

- Higgs mechanism responsible for generating masses of SM particles
- Mass of the Higgs boson itself destabilized by quantum effects
→ Higgs fine-tuning problem

$$V(\phi) = \mu^2 |\phi|^2 + \lambda |\phi|^4$$

$$\mu^2 = m_{bare}^2 - \frac{|\lambda_f|^2}{8\pi^2} (\Lambda_{UV}^2 + \dots) + \dots$$

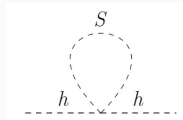
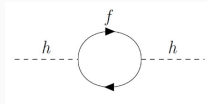
- Largest corrections from top quarks
- This leading correction can be controlled if there exist new particles with properties similar to those of the top quark
- Two main classes of solutions studied in the SHIFT project:
 - Supersymmetry
 - Composite Higgs Models (CHM)

Supersymmetry track

Solving the Higgs Fine-Tuning problem (SHIFT)

Supersymmetry

- Every SM particle has a 'super'partner with similar properties but a spin that differs by half a unit



$$\mu^2 = m_{bare}^2 - \frac{|\lambda_f|^2}{8\pi^2} (\Lambda_{UV}^2 + \dots) + \frac{\lambda_S}{16\pi^2} (\Lambda_{UV}^2 + \dots) + \dots$$

- Cancellation if $\lambda_S = |\lambda_f|^2$
- Higgs boson mass protected by chiral symmetry
- Dominant sources of fine-tuning are removed by scalar top squarks or stops

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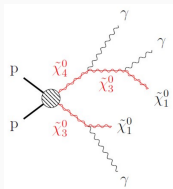
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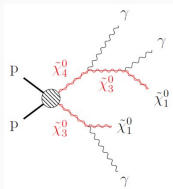
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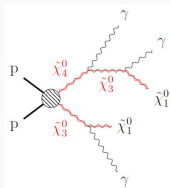
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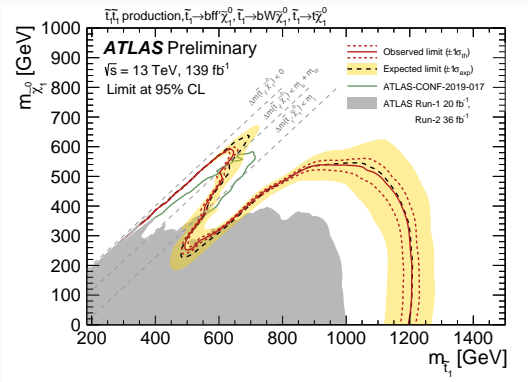
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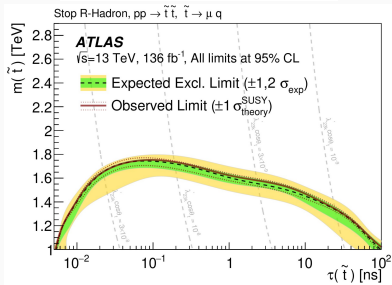
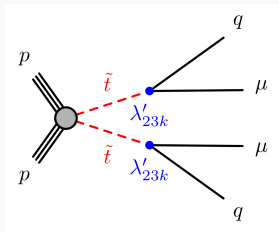
- Stop decays to top quark pairs in final states with one isolated e/μ , multiple jets, and E_T^{miss}
- Decay mode depends on SUSY mass spectrum.
- Updated result on full Run 2 dataset released as CONF note in February: [ATLAS-CONF-2020-003](#)
- Paper is coming soon.
- Plan to continue involvement also in the future



R-parity violating SUSY

Allow stop to decay to SM particles via RPV couplings.

- Stop long-lived due to small coupling.
- Displaced vertex (DV) + muon
- Published in August 2020:
[Phys. Rev. D 102, 032006](#)
- DV + jets in progress



Compositeness track

Solving the Higgs Fine-Tuning problem (SHIFT)

Composite Higgs models

- The Higgs boson is a composite pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone boson (pNGB) from spontaneous breaking of a global symmetry in a new strongly coupled sector
→ This protects the Higgs mass.
- All models of composite Higgs predict **new scalars** in the form of pNGBs (with the notable exception of the MCHM)
- Models with partial compositeness predict **new vector-like fermions**.
- **pNGBs**
 - **Neutral**: Light but with weak couplings
 - **Electrically charged**: Heavier, possibly $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ TeV})$
 - **Coloured**: even heavier, above $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ TeV})$
- **Vector-like fermions**
 - **Quarks**: $\mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$
 - **Leptons**: $\mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$

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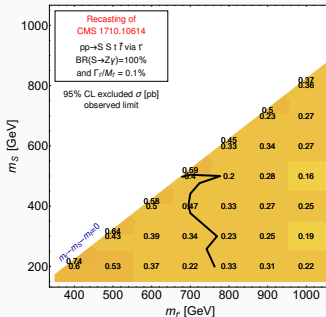
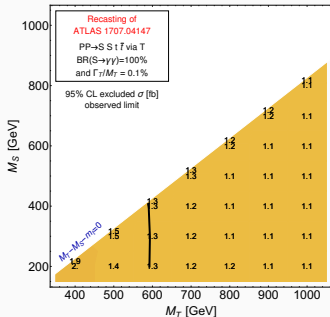
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- Types of condensates depend on the gauge group and the coset being considered.

| Coset | HC | ψ | χ | $-q_\chi/q_\psi$ | Baryon | Name | Lattice |
|--|--------|---|---|------------------|----------------|------|---------|
| $\frac{SU(5)}{SO(5)} \times \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)}$ | SO(7) | $5 \times \mathbf{F}$ | $6 \times \mathbf{Sp}$ | 5/6 | $\psi\chi\chi$ | M1 | |
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| $\frac{SU(4)}{Sp(4)} \times \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)}$ | Sp(4) | $4 \times \mathbf{F}$ | $6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$ | 1/3 | $\psi\psi\chi$ | M8 | ✓ |
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| | SU(4) | $4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$ | $6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$ | 2/3 | | M11 | |
| $\frac{SU(4)^2}{SU(4)} \times \frac{SU(3)^2}{SU(3)}$ | SU(5) | $4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$ | $3 \times (\mathbf{A}_2, \bar{\mathbf{A}}_2)$ | 4/9 | $\psi\psi\chi$ | M12 | |

arxiv:1902.06890

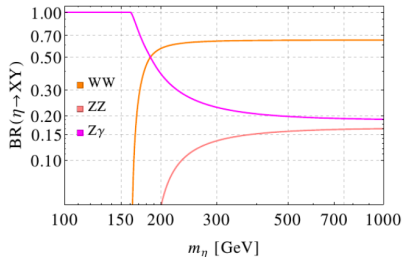
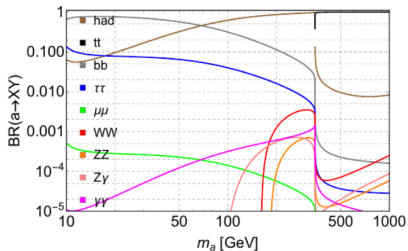
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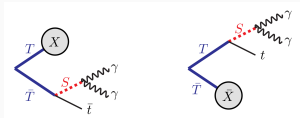


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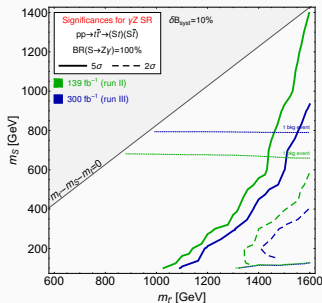
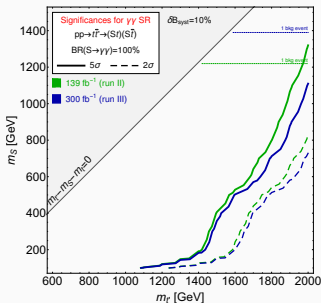
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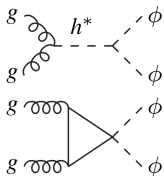
Possible final states of interest



- Model independent search for VLT with decays to non-SM particles decays to exotic scalar + t/b
- Signal: $pp \rightarrow T\bar{T} \rightarrow tS(\rightarrow Z\gamma/\gamma\gamma) + X$
- Optimistic reach in Run 2 and Run 3 evaluated in [arxiv:1907.05929](https://arxiv.org/abs/1907.05929)
- Analysis in ATLAS processing well.

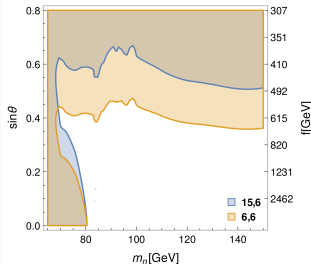


pNGBs in composite Higgs models



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{f_\phi^2} \frac{m_h^2}{v}} h \phi^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset \frac{m_t}{2f_\phi^2} \phi^2 \bar{t}t$$



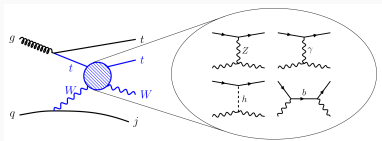
- Non-QCD production of pNGBs considered.
- The production cross-section is a function of m_ϕ and f_ϕ
- The BRs will define benchmarks characterized by coupling values.
- Bounds in the $\{m_\phi, \sin \theta\}$ plane (where $\sin \theta = \frac{\langle v \rangle}{f_\phi}$) for each decay channel and for benchmark choices of the couplings.

[arxiv:2005.13578](https://arxiv.org/abs/2005.13578)

Indirect track

Probing the EW $ttWj$ production

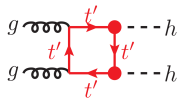
- Experimental constraints demanding custodial symmetry leaves the top-Z couplings unprotected.
- Constraints still very weak and they can be mapped to the top sector EFT operators.
- Wt scattering has enhanced energy sensitivity compared to ttZ .



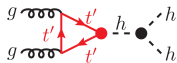
- However, signal very challenging to simulate and fake lepton background requires fitting tricks to avoid signal bias.
- Measurement on-going in ATLAS.

Di-Higgs production with jets

- Goal is to understand **if jets can provide additional information in di-higgs production** for probing new scalar or vector like top partners in the loops or for improved EFT sensitivity.
- Studies the borderland between resonant and non-resonant production.
- Very educational for general understanding of the emergence and validity of EFTs.
- One model is based on signal decomposition based on coupling factorisation allowing for flexible access to the full parameter space for each mass point. For example:



$$\mathcal{A}_i \propto \kappa_{ht't'}^2$$



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$$\sigma_S^{\prime}(m_t^{\prime}) = \kappa_{ht't'}^2 \hat{\sigma}_5(m_t^{\prime}) + \kappa_{hhhh}^2 \kappa_{ht't'}^2 \hat{\sigma}_6(m_t^{\prime}) + \kappa_{ht't'}^4 \hat{\sigma}_7(m_t^{\prime}) + (\kappa_{L,R}^{ht't'})^4 \hat{\sigma}_8(m_t^{\prime}) + \kappa_{hhht't'} \hat{\sigma}_9(m_t^{\prime})$$

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