

LHC bounds on composite Higgs models implications for naturalness

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Overview

Motivations for composite Higgs models

Composite Higgs, basic idea

Models beyond the minimal one

LHC phenomenology

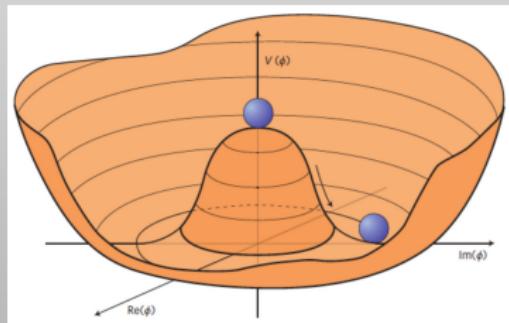
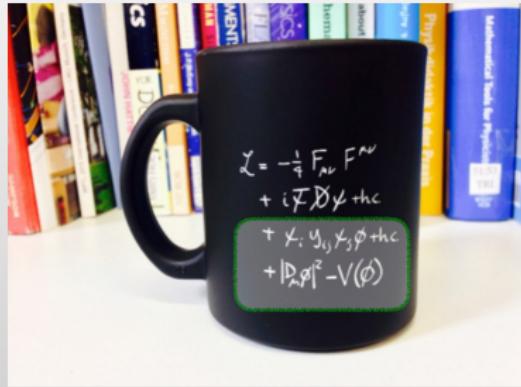
- Model independent bounds
- Bounds in a specific model

Conclusions & questions

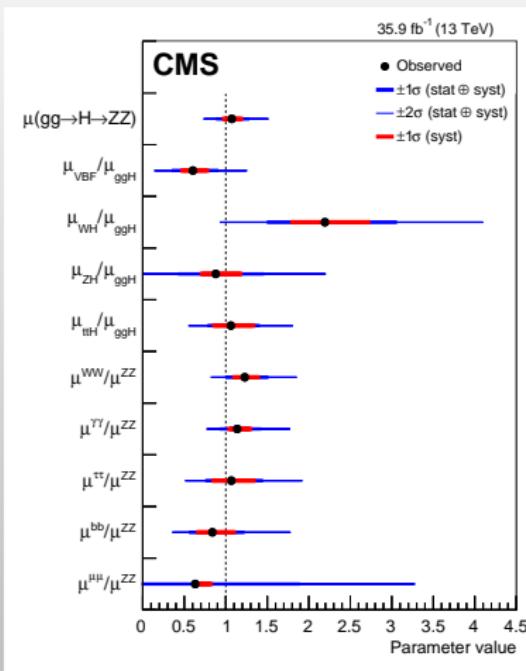
Jobs of the SM-Higgs Multiplet

$$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{i\tau^a \chi^a(x)/v} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v + h(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

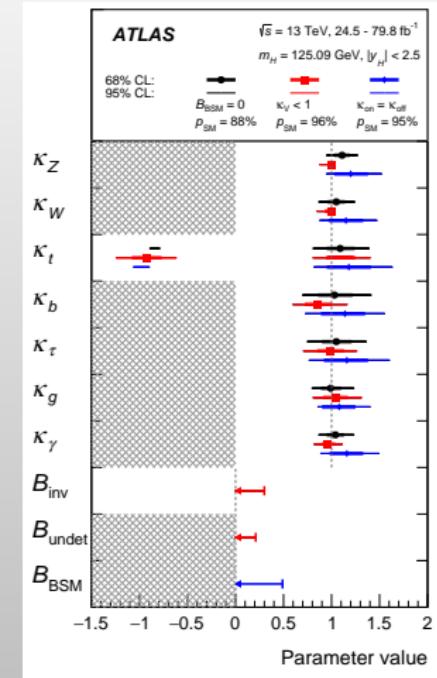
- ▶ its non-zero vacuum expectation value v spontaneously breaks the electroweak gauge group $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ to $U(1)_{em}$
- ▶ gives masses to W^\pm, Z
- ▶ gives masses to the fermions
- ▶ bonus: provides one physical scalar h ('the Higgs boson')



By now, many of the Higgs properties are properties are being tested.
With the HL-LHC run, we enter the Higgs precision area.



CMS coll., EPJC **79**, 421 (2019)

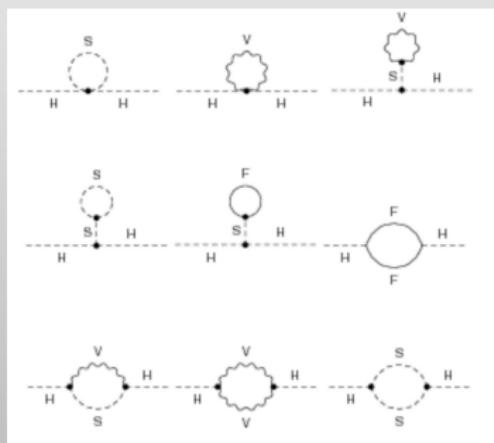


ATLAS coll., PRD **101**, 012002 (2020)

Note: So far, Higgs self-couplings are not experimentally verified
→ the Higgs potential is thus not measured, yet.

Hierarchy problem

In the absence of new symmetries/dynamics: Higgs condensate and Higgs mass are
unstable to quantum corrections & dragged-up to very large energy scales

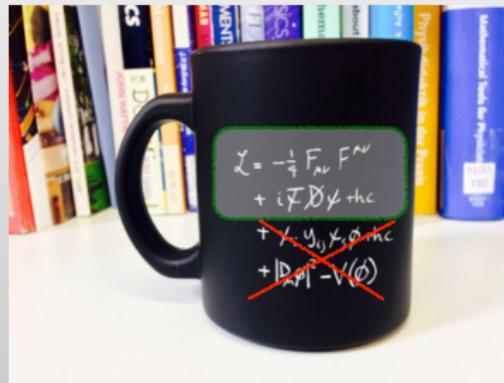


$$\frac{\delta v^2}{v^2} = \sum_i \pm \frac{g_i^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{M_i^2}{v^2} \gg 1$$

M_i : proxy for unknown heavy mass scales (flavour, GUTs, gravity, ...)

What if there were no Higgs?

QCD breaks electroweak symmetry! just wrongly



Gauge group: $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

1st family quarks: q_L , u_R and d_R

Global symmetry: $SU(2)_l \times SU(2)_r$
(of QCD sector)

At QCD scale: condensation

$$\langle \bar{q}_L q_R \rangle = -f_\pi B_0 \simeq (200 \text{ MeV})^3$$

$SU(2)_l \times SU(2)_r \rightarrow SU(2) \Rightarrow$ 3 Nambu-Goldstone bosons: $\pi^{0,+,-}$

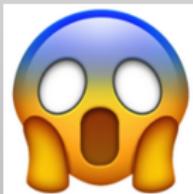
Problems

- ▶ $m_W = m_Z \simeq \mathcal{O}(100 \text{ MeV})$
- ▶ no Higgs d.o.f. at the scale of $m_{W,Z}$
- ▶ $U(1)_{em} = U(1)_Y$
- ▶ a priori no masses for quarks and leptons (but could be induced via 4-Fermi operators, (as in Nambu-Jona-Lasinio model (NJL-model))

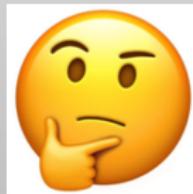
... but the hierarchy problem would be solved!



Experimentalist



Phenomenologist



Model-Builder

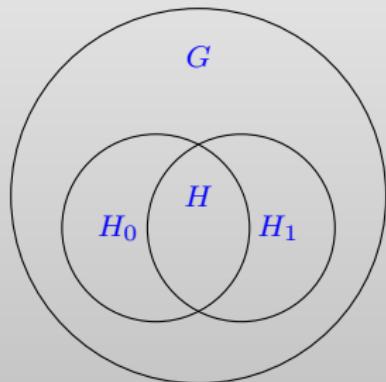


Formal Theorist

Minimal Composite Higgs Model

K. Agashe, R. Contino and A. Pomarol, NPB **719** (2005), 165
R. Contino, TASI lectures 2009

Assumes there is an additional strong force, often called hyper-color, and new ‘quarks’



G : global symmetry of the strong sector
(at energy above confinement)

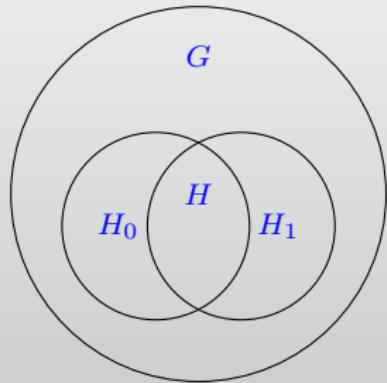
H_1 : global symmetry group in confined phase
below scale f

H_0 : SM electroweak gauge group

H : unbroken gauge group

What are the smallest groups which can
give electroweak symmetry breaking and a Higgs?

Minimal Composite Higgs Model



$G: SO(5) \times U(1)_X$

$H_1: SO(4) \times U(1)_X \sim SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_X$

$H_0: SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

$H: U(1)_{em}$

- ▶ $SO(5) \rightarrow SO(4)$ breaking \Rightarrow 4 Nambu-Goldstone bosons in $(2, 2)$ of $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$
- ▶ $Y = T^{3R} + X, U(1)_X$ needed to get correctly the hypercharges of the fermions

Minimal Composite Higgs Model

The Nambu-Goldstone boson sector (aka Higgs multiplet) can be parameterized as a pNGB field Σ

$$\Sigma(x) = e^{\Pi(x)/f} \Sigma_0, \quad \Sigma_0 = (0, 0, 0, 0, f)^T, \quad \Pi(x) = -i \sum_{\hat{a}} T^{\hat{a}} h^{\hat{a}}(x)$$
$$\Sigma = \frac{f \sin(h/f)}{h} (h^1, h^2, h^3, h^4, h \cot(h/f))^T, \quad h \equiv \sqrt{(h^{\hat{a}})^2}$$

The gauge interaction pf Σ are given by $\mathcal{L}_\Sigma = \frac{1}{2}(D_\mu \Sigma)^T D^\mu \Sigma$
yield after electroweak symmetry breaking

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^V = \frac{f^2}{8} \left(\frac{v+h}{f} \right)^2 (W_\mu^i W^{i\mu} - 2W_\mu^3 B^\mu + B_\mu B^\mu) + \dots$$
$$= \left(1 + 2\sqrt{1-\xi} \frac{h}{v} + (1-2\xi) \frac{h^2}{v^2} + \dots \right) \left(m_W^2 W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} + \frac{m_Z^2}{2} Z_\mu Z^\mu \right) + \dots$$

where $\xi = \frac{v^2}{f^2}$

Minimal Composite Higgs Model

Fermion masses and couplings: partial compositeness

Higgs transforms non-linearly under G .

→ no Yukawa interaction if fermion are elementary (transform linearly).

Possible solution: mix elementary fermions with composite resonances.

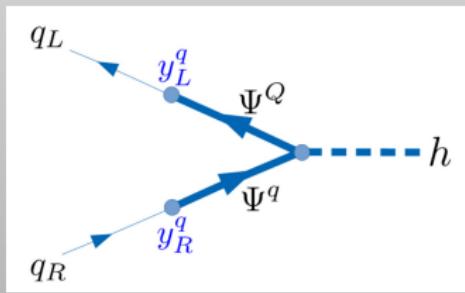
Elementary fermions (in $SO(5)$) rep.)

$$q_L = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(id_L, d_L, iu_L, -u_L, 0)^T$$

$$q_R = (0, 0, 0, 0, u_R)^T$$

Composite fermions (in $SO(5)$) rep.)

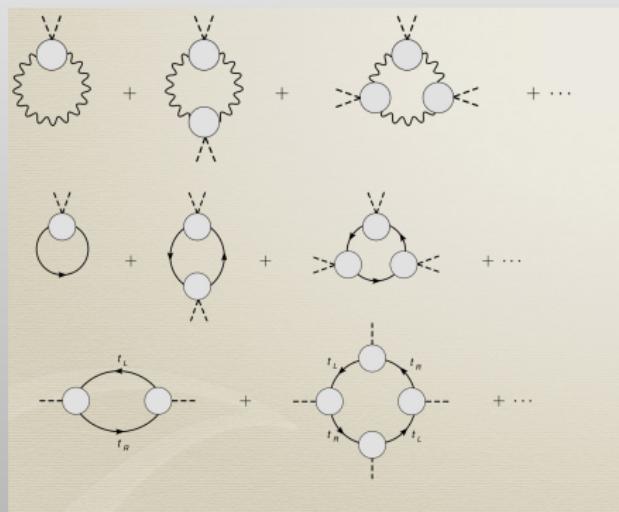
$$\Psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} iB - iX_{5/3} \\ B + X_{5/3} \\ iT + iX_{2/3} \\ -T + X_{2/3} \\ \sqrt{2}\tilde{T} \end{pmatrix}$$



Minimal Composite Higgs Model

Up to now: Higgs als Nambu-Goldstone bosons, thus massless. But:

- ▶ Only the **electroweak group is gauged**, not the full $SO(5) \times U(1)_X$.
⇒ global symmetry explicitly broken by electroweak gauge symmetries.
- ▶ Elementary fermions are embedded in **incomplete** $SO(5)$ reps.
⇒ global symmetry explicitly broken by partial compositeness.



Explicit breaking induces a Higgs potential

$$V(h) \simeq \alpha \cos\left(\frac{h}{f}\right) - \beta \sin^2\left(\frac{h}{f}\right)$$

Minimum at

$$\xi = \sin^2\left(\frac{v}{f}\right) = 1 - \left(\frac{\alpha}{2\beta}\right)^2 \simeq \left(\frac{v}{f}\right)^2$$

Generic Composite Higgs set-up

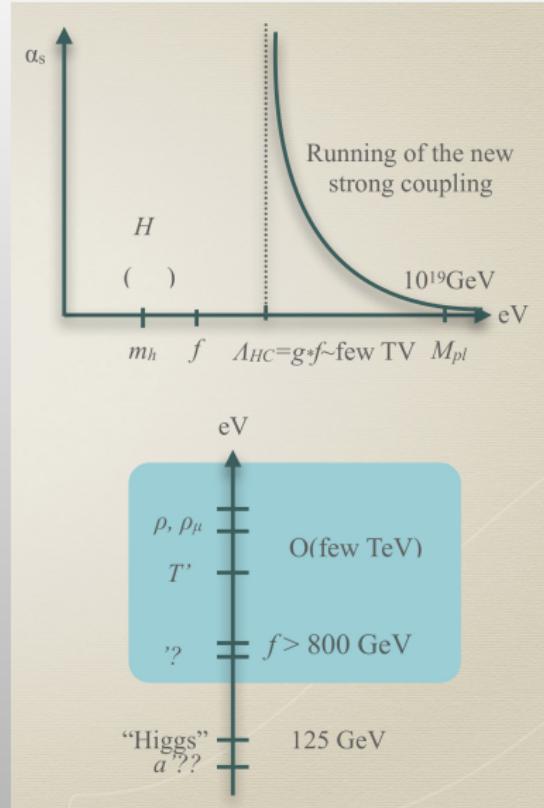
Possible solution to hierarchy problem

- ▶ Generate a scale $\Lambda_{HC} \ll M_{pl}$ through a new confining gauge group
- ▶ Interpret Higgs as a pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone boson (pNGB) of a spontaneously broken global symmetry of the new strong sector

(Georgi, Kaplan, PLB **136** (1984), 136)

'Price' to pay

- ▶ additional resonances at the scale Λ_{HC} (vectors, vector-like fermions, scalars)
- ▶ additional light pNGBs/ extended scalar sector
- ▶ deviations of the Higgs couplings from their SM values of $O(v/f)$



(thanks to T. Flacke)

Towards underlying models

A wish list to construct and classify candidate models:

Gerghetta et al (2015), Ferretti et al. PLB (2014), PRD 94 (2016), JHEP 1701.094

Underlying models of a composite Higgs should

- ▶ contain no elementary scalars (otherwise there would be again a hierarchy problem)
- ▶ have a simple hyper-color group
- ▶ have a Higgs candidate amongst the pNGBs
- ▶ have a top-partner amongst its bound states
(for top mass via partial compositeness)
- ▶ satisfy further ‘standard’ consistency conditions (asymptotic freedom, no gauge anomalies)

The resulting models have several common features:

- ▶ All models predict pNGBs beyond the Higgs multiplet
- ▶ All models contain several top partner multiplets

List of "minimal" CHM UV embeddings

G_{HC}	ψ	χ	Restrictions	$-q_\chi/q_\psi$	Y_χ	Non Conformal	Model Name
Real		Real		$SU(5)/SO(5) \times SU(6)/SO(6)$			
$SO(N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{S}_2$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{HC} \geq 55$	$\frac{5(N_{HC}+2)}{6}$	1/3	/	
$SO(N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{Ad}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{HC} \geq 15$	$\frac{5(N_{HC}-2)}{6}$	1/3	/	
$SO(N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$N_{HC} = 7, 9$	$\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{12}$	1/3	$N_{HC} = 7, 9$	M1, M2
$SO(N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{HC} = 7, 9$	$\frac{5}{6}, \frac{5}{3}$	2/3	$N_{HC} = 7, 9$	M3, M4
Real		Pseudo-Real		$SU(5)/SO(5) \times SU(6)/Sp(6)$			
$Sp(2N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{Ad}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$2N_{HC} \geq 12$	$\frac{5(N_{HC}+1)}{3}$	1/3	/	
$Sp(2N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$2N_{HC} \geq 4$	$\frac{5(N_{HC}-1)}{3}$	1/3	$2N_{HC} = 4$	M5
$SO(N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$N_{HC} = 11, 13$	$\frac{5}{24}, \frac{5}{48}$	1/3	/	
Real		Complex		$SU(5)/SO(5) \times SU(3)^2/SU(3)$			
$SU(N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$3 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$N_{HC} = 4$	$\frac{5}{3}$	1/3	$N_{HC} = 4$	M6
$SO(N_{HC})$	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$3 \times (\mathbf{Spin}, \bar{\mathbf{Spin}})$	$N_{HC} = 10, 14$	$\frac{5}{12}, \frac{5}{48}$	1/3	$N_{HC} = 10$	M7
Pseudo-Real		Real		$SU(4)/Sp(4) \times SU(6)/SO(6)$			
$Sp(2N_{HC})$	$4 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$2N_{HC} \leq 36$	$\frac{1}{3(N_{HC}-1)}$	2/3	$2N_{HC} = 4$	M8
$SO(N_{HC})$	$4 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{HC} = 11, 13$	$\frac{8}{3}, \frac{16}{3}$	2/3	$N_{HC} = 11$	M9
Complex		Real		$SU(4)^2/SU(4) \times SU(6)/SO(6)$			
$SO(N_{HC})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{Spin}, \bar{\mathbf{Spin}})$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{HC} = 10$	$\frac{8}{3}$	2/3	$N_{HC} = 10$	M10
$SU(N_{HC})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$N_{HC} = 4$	$\frac{2}{3}$	2/3	$N_{HC} = 4$	M11
Complex		Complex		$SU(4)^2/SU(4) \times SU(3)^2/SU(3)$			
$SU(N_{HC})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$3 \times (\mathbf{A}_2, \bar{\mathbf{A}}_2)$	$N_{HC} \geq 5$	$\frac{4}{3(N_{HC}-2)}$	2/3	$N_{HC} = 5$	M12
$SU(N_{HC})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$3 \times (\mathbf{S}_2, \bar{\mathbf{S}}_2)$	$N_{HC} \geq 5$	$\frac{4}{3(N_{HC}+2)}$	2/3	/	

Notation and procedure

Fields	Spin	$SU(3)_c$	$U(1)_{\text{em}}$
S_i^0	0	1	0
S_i^\pm	0	1	± 1
$S_i^{\pm\pm}$	0	1	± 2
π_r^q	0	r	q
T	1/2	3	2/3
B	1/2	3	-1/3
X	1/2	3	5/3

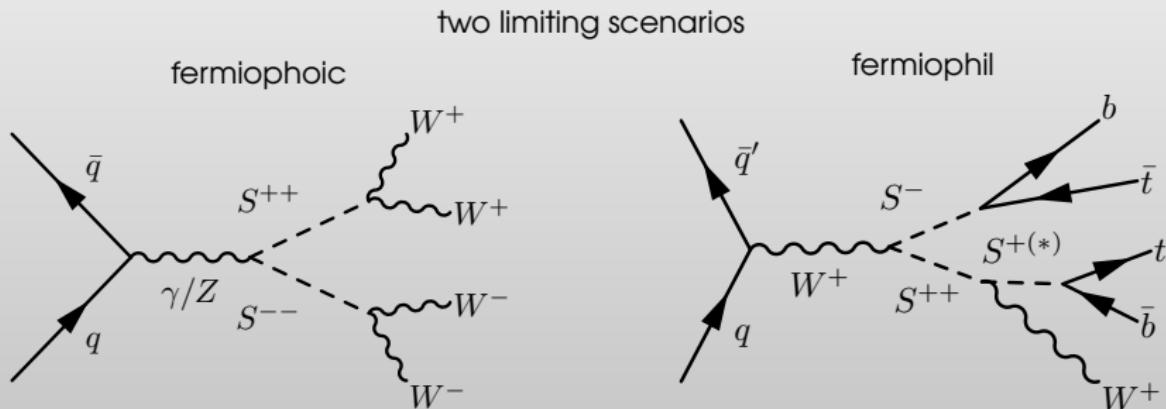
We use in the following

- ▶ generated events using MadGraph5_aMC@NLO, hadronized with Pythia8
- ▶ recast tools
 - ▶ MadAnalysis5, event reconstruction using Delphes 3 and the anti- k_T algorithm implemented in FastJet
 - ▶ SM measurements implemented in Rivet, exclusions Contur

for details see A. Banerjee *et al.*, arXiv:2203.07270 (hep-ph)

electroweak pNGBs

$$pp \rightarrow S_i^{\pm\pm} S_j^{\mp}, S_i^{\pm} S_j^0, S_i^{++} S_j^{--}, S_i^+ S_j^-, S_i^0 S_j^0$$



$$S_i^{++} \rightarrow W^+ W^+$$

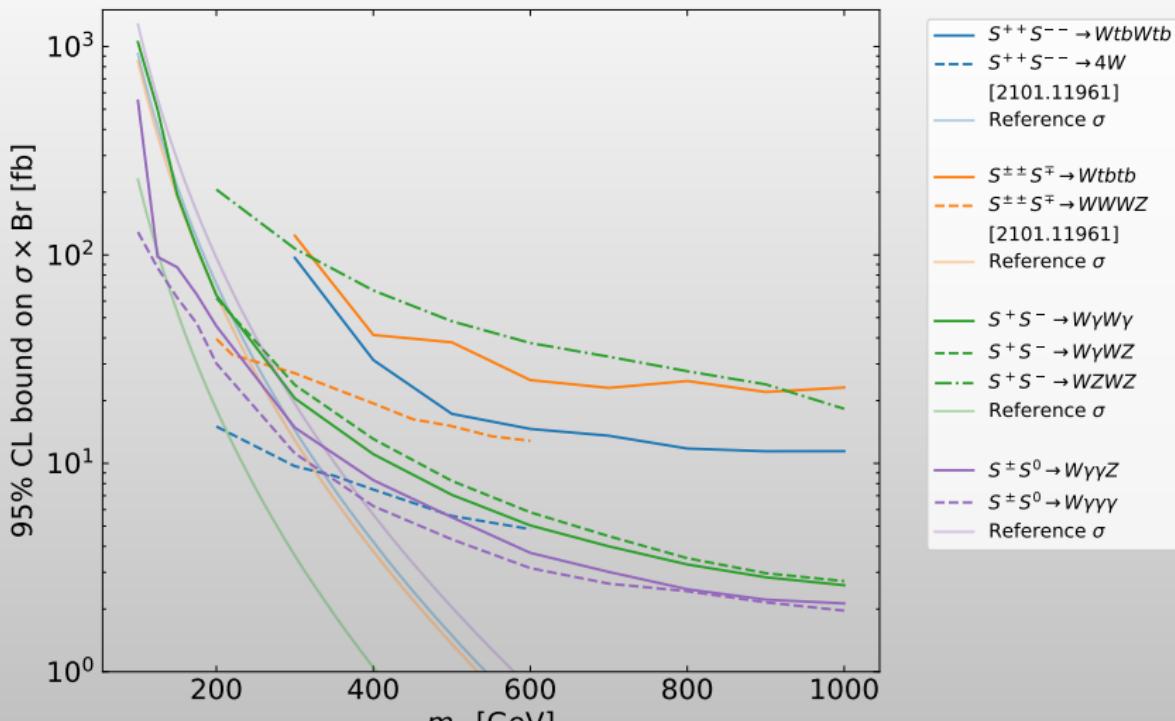
$$S_i^+ \rightarrow W^+ \gamma, W^+ Z$$

$$S_i^0 \rightarrow W^+ W^-, \gamma\gamma, \gamma Z, ZZ.$$

$$S^{++} \rightarrow W^+ t\bar{b},$$

$$S^+ \rightarrow t\bar{b},$$

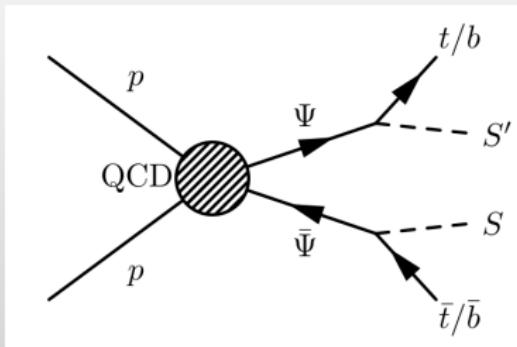
$$S^0 \rightarrow t\bar{t}, b\bar{b}.$$



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The reference cross sections σ for pair production are calculated for η_5 of M_5 .

Vector-like quarks



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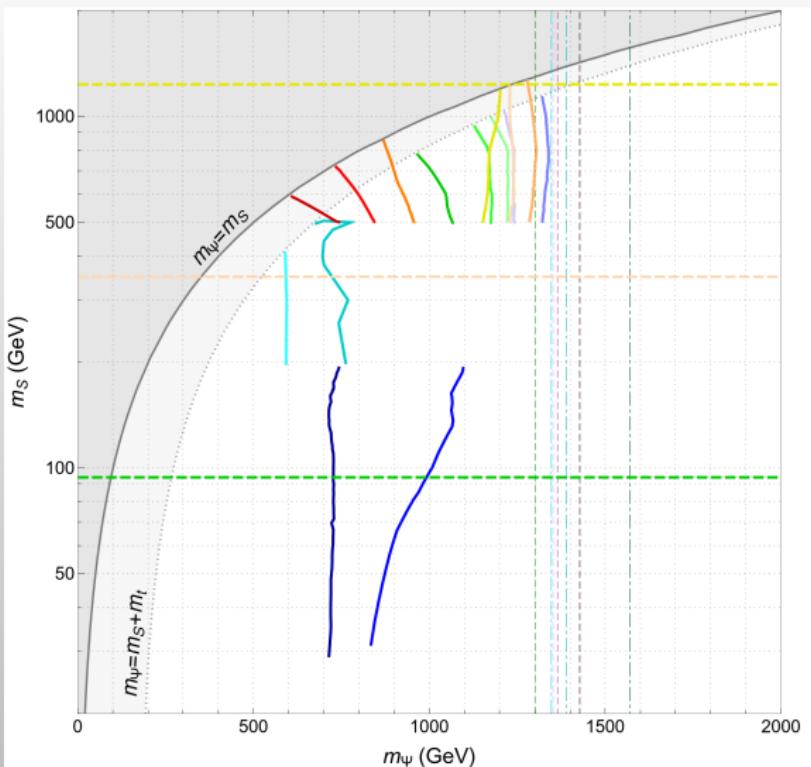
- ▶ $\Psi = B, T, X$
- ▶ $S, S' = S_i^0, S_i^\pm, S_i^{\pm\pm}, \pi_6^q, \pi_8$

'standard' signatures

$$\begin{aligned} X_{5/3} &\rightarrow t W^+ \\ T &\rightarrow b W^+, t Z, t h \\ B &\rightarrow t W^- \end{aligned}$$

examples of 'new' signatures

$$\begin{aligned} X_{5/3} &\rightarrow \bar{t} S^{++} \rightarrow \bar{b} W^+ W^+ \text{ or } \bar{b} \bar{b} t W^+ \gamma \\ T &\rightarrow t S^0 \rightarrow t \gamma \gamma \text{ or } t \bar{t} t \\ B &\rightarrow t S^- \rightarrow t W^- \gamma \text{ or } t \bar{t} b \end{aligned}$$



VLQ pair production with exotic decay

- $T \rightarrow tS^0, S^0 \rightarrow Z\gamma$, 1907.05929
- $T \rightarrow tS^0, S^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, 1907.05929
- $T \rightarrow tS^0, S^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + Z\gamma + W^+ W^-$, 1907.05894
- $T \rightarrow tS^0, S^0 \rightarrow tt$, 1907.05894
- $T \rightarrow tS^0, S^0 \rightarrow bb$, 2002.12220
- $T \rightarrow tS^0, S^0 \rightarrow jj$, 2002.12220
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow tS^+, S^+ \rightarrow W^+ Z/\gamma$, 1907.05894
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow tS^+, S^+ \rightarrow tb$, 1907.05894
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow tS^+, S^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \nu$, 1907.05894
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow bS^{**}, S^{**} \rightarrow W^+ W^-$, 1907.05894
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow bS^{**}, S^{**} \rightarrow t^+ t^-$, 1907.05894
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow bS^{**}, S^{**} \rightarrow W^+ S^+ S^- \rightarrow W^+ Z/\gamma$, 1907.05894
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow bS^{**}, S^{**} \rightarrow W^+ S^+ S^- \rightarrow tb$, 1907.05894
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow bS^{**}, S^{**} \rightarrow W^+ S^+ S^- \rightarrow \tau\nu$, 1907.05894
- $X_{5/3} \rightarrow \bar{b}t\ell_6, \bar{\tau}\ell_6 \rightarrow l_R \bar{l}_R$, 1907.05894

VLQ pair production with SM decay

- $B \rightarrow tW^+$, 1808.02343 (ATLAS)
- $B \rightarrow bZ$, 2008.09835 (CMS)
- $B \rightarrow bH$, 2008.09835 (CMS)
- $T \rightarrow bW^+$, 1808.02343 (ATLAS)
- $T \rightarrow tZ$, 1808.02343 (ATLAS)
- $T \rightarrow tH$, 1808.02343 (ATLAS)
- $X \rightarrow tW^+$, 1810.03188 (CMS)

Spin-0 pair production

- $S^+ S^-, S^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$, 1301.6065 (LEP)
- $S^{++} S^{--}, S^{++} \rightarrow W^+ W^-$, 2101.11961 (ATLAS)
- $\bar{\tau}\ell_6 \bar{\tau}\ell_6, \bar{t}\ell_R \bar{t}\ell_R$, 1907.05894

Example M5: $\text{HC} = Sp(4), SU(5) \times SU(6)/SO(5) \times Sp(6)$

pNGBs:

electroweak:	$SO(5)$ 14	$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ $(1,1) + (2,2) + (3,3)$	states $\eta, H, \eta_3^0, \eta_3^{+,0,-}, \eta_3^{++,+,0,-,-}$ $(S_i^0 = \eta, \eta_{1,3,5}^0, S_i^+ = \eta_{3,5}^+, S^{++} = \eta_5^{++})$
strong:	$Sp(6)$ 14	$SU(3)_C \times U(1)_{em}$ $3_{2/3} + \bar{3}_{-2/3} + 8_0$	states π_3, π_3^*, π_8

fermionic bound states:

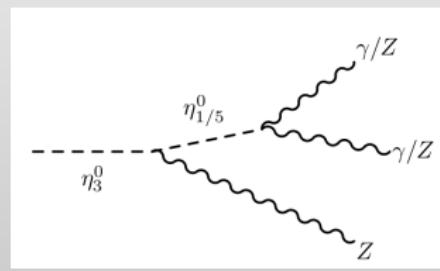
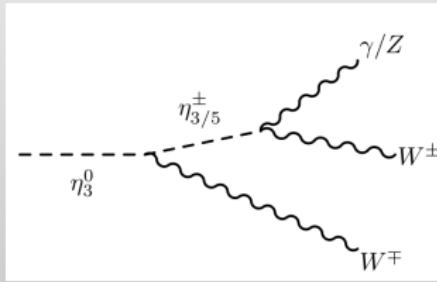
$SO(5) \times Sp(6)$ (5, 14)	$SU(3)_L \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ / names
	$(3, 2)_{7/6}$
	$(3, 2)_{1/6}$
	$(8, 2)_{1/2}$
	$(3, 1)_{2/3}$
	$(8, 1)_0$
$(X_{5/3}, X_{3,2})$	(T_L, B_L)
	$(\tilde{G}^+, \tilde{G}^0)$
	T_R
	\tilde{g}
(5, 1)	$(1, 2)_{1/2}$
	$(1, 1)_0$
	$(\tilde{H}^+, \tilde{H}^0)$
	\tilde{B}

 \tilde{g} and \tilde{B} are Majorana fermions, all other are Dirac fermions

Electroweak pNGBs

focus on leptophobic scenario

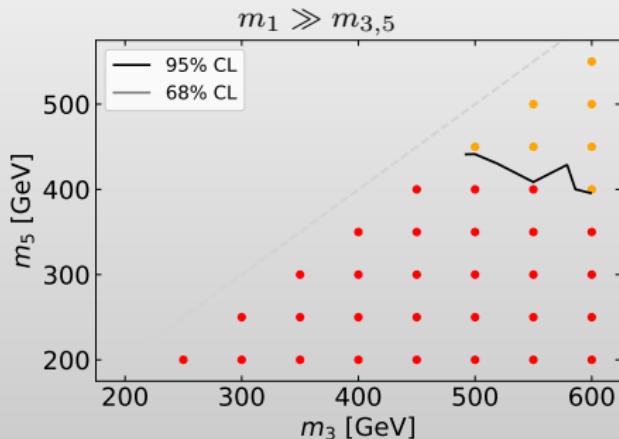
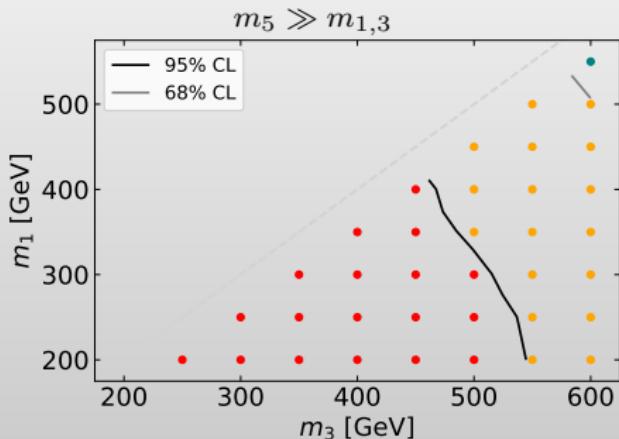
- ▶ assume custodial multiplets are mass-degenerate
- ▶ lights multiplet decays only via anomaly terms, except η_3^0 which does not couple to the anomaly, but



- ▶ for the heavier custodial multiplets: decays into (off-shell) vector bosons + lighter multiplet, e.g.

$$\begin{aligned}\eta_3^+ &\rightarrow \eta_5^{++} W^{-(*)}, \quad \eta_5^+ Z^{(*)}, \quad \eta_5^0 W^{+(*)}, \quad \eta_1^0 W^{+(*)}; \\ \eta_3^0 &\rightarrow \eta_5^\pm W^{\mp(*)}, \quad \eta_5^0 Z^{(*)}, \quad \eta_1^0 Z^{(*)}.\end{aligned}$$

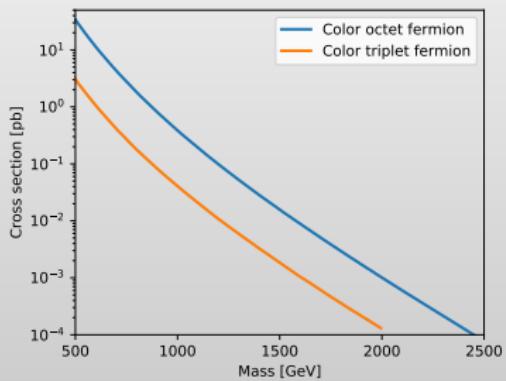
Current bounds based on analyses in Contur



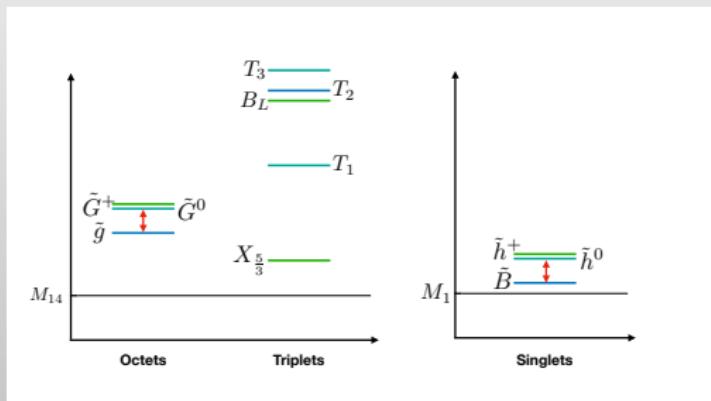
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- ▶ black (grey) lines represent the 2σ (1σ) exclusion
- ▶ red points are excluded with CL above 2σ
- ▶ yellow points between 1 and 2σ

Hyper-baryons (top-partners)



3 @ NLO, 8 @ NNLO_{approx}+NNLL
G. Cacciapaglia *et al.*,
arXiv:2112.00019



Assumption: 1) fermions within an $SO(5) \times Sp(6)$ multiplet have about the same mass
mass splitting due to SM gauge interactions

2) \tilde{B} is stable

⇒ **LHC:** 1) fermionic color octets have largest cross section
2) events with large missing p_T

Possible decays:

$$\begin{array}{c|c|c} \tilde{g} \rightarrow t \pi_3^*, \bar{t} \pi_3 & \tilde{G}^0 \rightarrow \bar{t} \pi_3 & \tilde{G}^+ \rightarrow \bar{b} \pi_3 \\ \rightarrow \tilde{B} \pi_8 & \rightarrow \tilde{H}^0 \pi_8 & \rightarrow \tilde{H}^+ \pi_8 \end{array}$$

$\tilde{H}^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \tilde{B}, \tilde{H}^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \tilde{B}$ with very soft pions

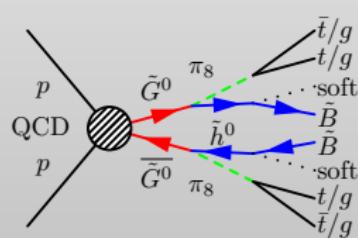
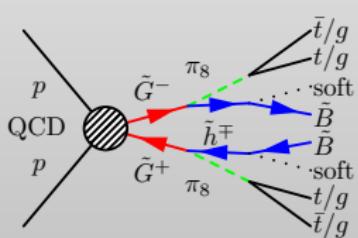
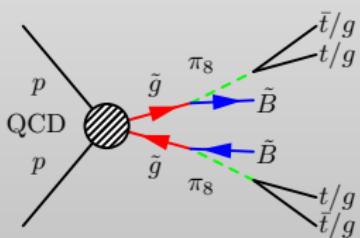
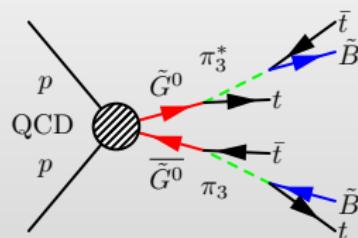
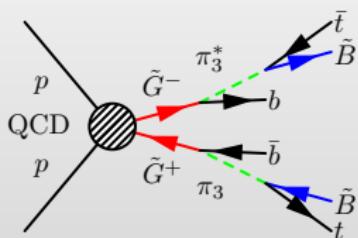
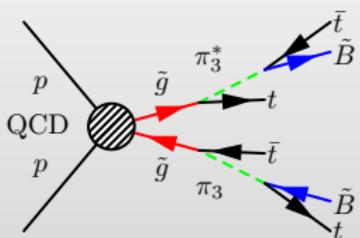
$$\begin{array}{c|c} \pi_3 \rightarrow t \tilde{B} & \pi_8 \rightarrow g g \\ (\rightarrow t \nu) & \rightarrow t \bar{t} \\ (\rightarrow \bar{s} \bar{d}) & (\rightarrow q \bar{q}, q = u, d, s, c, b) \end{array}$$

Bounds on π_3 : \tilde{t}_R searches, $\simeq 1.3 \text{ TeV}^\dagger$

π_8 : $\simeq 1.1 \text{ TeV}^*$

† (ATLAS, arXiv:2102.01444 (hep-ex); CMS, arXiv:2107.10892 (hep-ex))

* G. Cacciapaglia et al., arXiv:2002.01474 (hep-ph)



Recast of existing LHC analyses

LHC signatures:

- ▶ $4 t + \text{missing } p_T$
- ▶ $3 t + j + \text{missing } p_T$
- ▶ $2 t + 2 j + \text{missing } p_T$
- ▶ $t + 3 j + \text{missing } p_T$
- ▶ $4 j + \text{missing } p_T$

In all cases: additional soft pions possible.

Use existing recast tools for SUSY searches to get bounds on

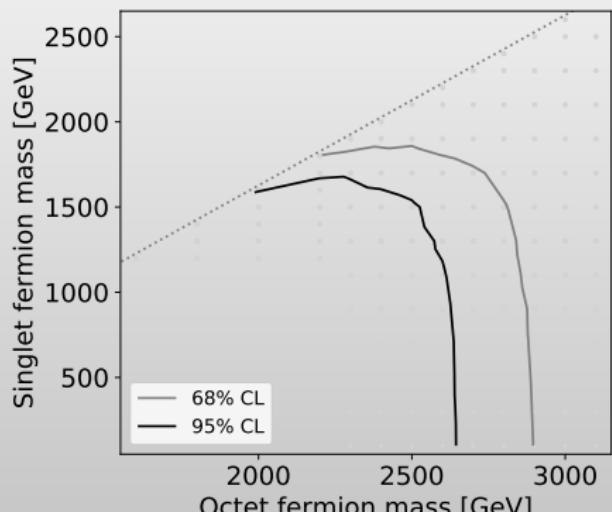
$\tilde{g}, \tilde{G}^0, \tilde{G}^+$ ($= Q_8$ if summed over all states)

- ▶ MADANALYSIS 5, E. Conte and B. Fuks, arXiv:1808.00480 (hep-ph)
- ▶ CHECKMATE 2, D. Dercks et al. arXiv:1611.09856 (hep-ph)

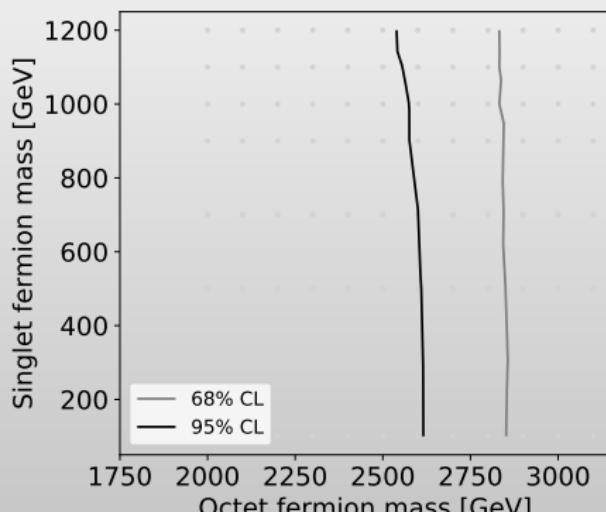
Have different analyses implemented, have one relevant in common with reasonable agreement

MADANALYSIS 5 gives in this particular case the stronger bounds

Cross sections: NNLOapprox + NNLL, from <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/SUSYCrossSections13TeVgluglu>

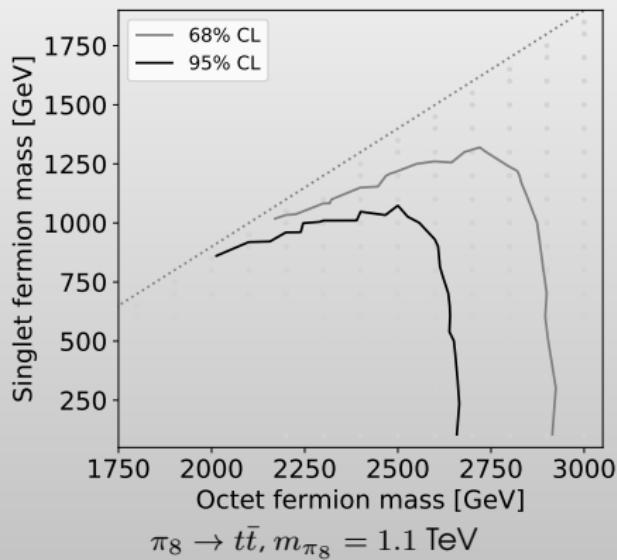
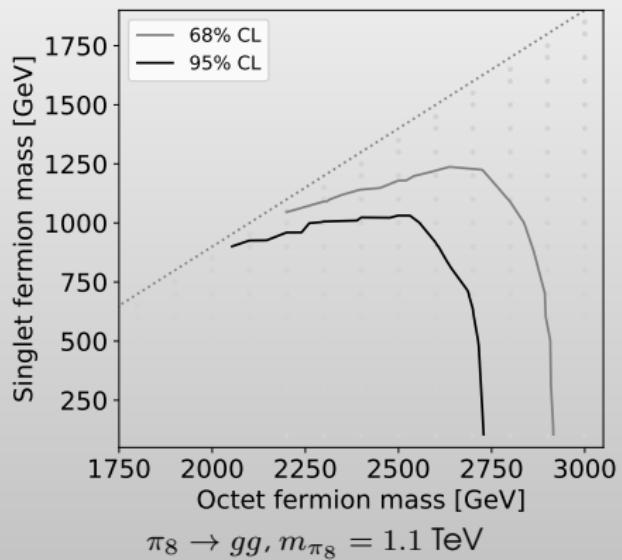
Octet decays with 100% decays into π_3 

$$m_{Q_8} - m_{\pi_3} = 200 \text{ GeV}$$



$$m_{\pi_3} = 1.4 \text{ TeV}$$

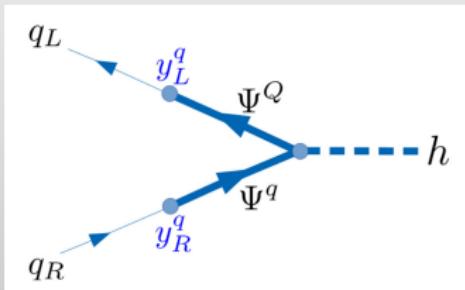
G. Cacciapaglia *et al.*, arXiv:2112.00019

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What about Y_t ?

In this model: $M_T \gtrsim M_{Q_8}$



$$Y_t \propto \frac{1}{M_T^2}$$

potentially too small ?

Conclusions:

- ▶ Composite Higgs models provide a viable solution to the hierarchy problem but they still provide many challenges and room for exploration in theory and model-building.
- ▶ In general:
 - ▶ several pNGBs, also in the strongly interacting sector
 - ▶ fermionic bound states: not only color triplets, but also for example octets and singlets
 - ▶ bounds depend strongly on possible decay modes
- ▶ taking the so-called M5-model: color octets among the top-partners bounds of up to 2.8 TeV in case of simplified assumptions

Questions:

- ▶ existing data put bounds on electroweak pNGBs in the range of $\sim 300\text{-}500$ GeV
Why should those be significantly heavier than H ?
To some extent related question in view of strongly interacting pNGBs with bounds above 1 TeV
- ▶ Why is the top so heavy? How can we get $Y_t \simeq 1$?
- ▶ How to obtain operators like

$$\Psi\Psi t \quad \text{or} \quad \Psi\Psi qq$$

yielding the observed flavour structures?

Example M5: $HC = Sp(4), SU(5) \times SU(6)/SO(5) \times Sp(6)$

Field content of the underlying model

	$Sp(4)$	$SU(3)_C$	$SU(2)_L$	$U(1)_Y$	$SU(5)$	$SU(6)$	$U(1)$
$\psi_{1,2}$	$\begin{smallmatrix} & 1 \\ 1 & \end{smallmatrix}$	1	2	$1/2$			
$\psi_{3,4}$	$\begin{smallmatrix} & 1 \\ 1 & \end{smallmatrix}$	1	2	$-1/2$	5	1	$-\frac{3q_\chi}{5(N_c-1)}$
ψ_5	$\begin{smallmatrix} & 1 \\ 1 & \end{smallmatrix}$	1	1	0			
χ_1 χ_2 χ_3	\square	3	1	$-x$			
χ_4 χ_5 χ_6	\square	$\bar{3}$	1	x	1	6	q_χ

pNGBs: electroweak $SU(5)/SO(5) : 14 \xrightarrow{SO(5) \supset SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R} (1,1) + (2,2) + (3,3)$

strong $SU(6)/Sp(6) : 14 \xrightarrow{Sp(6) \supset SU(3)_C} 3 + \bar{3} + 8$

'baryonic' bound states of the model

	$SU(5) \times SU(6)$	$SO(5) \times Sp(6)$	$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
$\psi\chi\chi$	(5, 15) (5, 21)	(5, 14) +(5, 1) (5, 21)	$(3, 2)_{7/6}, (3, 2)_{1/6}, (8, 2)_{1/2}, (3, 1)_{2/3}, + h.c. + (8, 1)_0$ $(1, 2)_{1/2}, (1, 2)_{-1/2}, (1, 1)$ $(6, 2)_{7/6}, (6, 2)_{1/6}, (8, 2)_{1/2}, (6, 1)_{2/3}, + h.c. + (8, 1)_0$
$\psi\chi\bar{\chi}$	(5, 35) (5, 1)	(5, 14) +(5, 21) (5, 1)

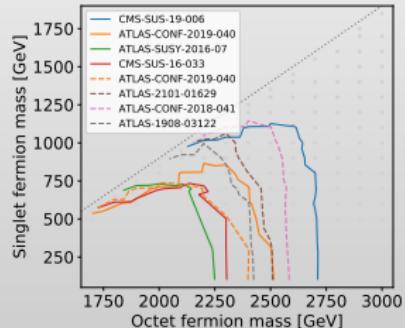
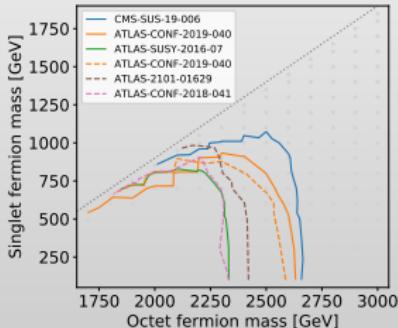
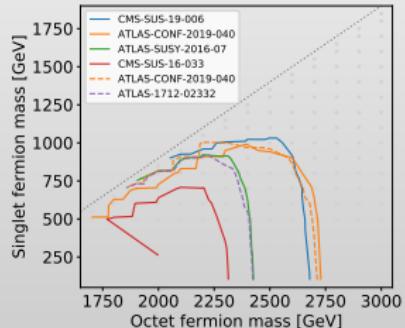
We fixed χ to get $(3, 2)_{1/6}$ and $(3, 1)_{2/3}$

relevant analyses for pNGBs in the fermiophiopc scenario

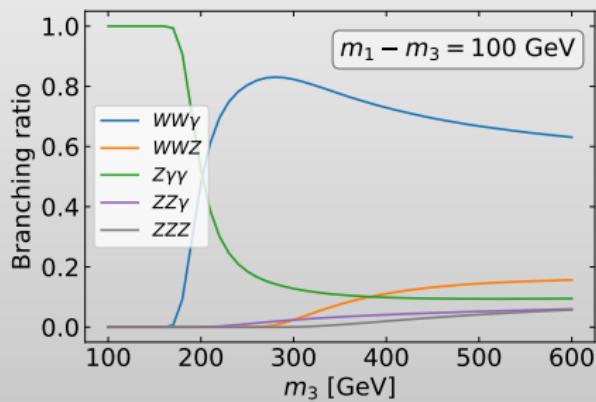
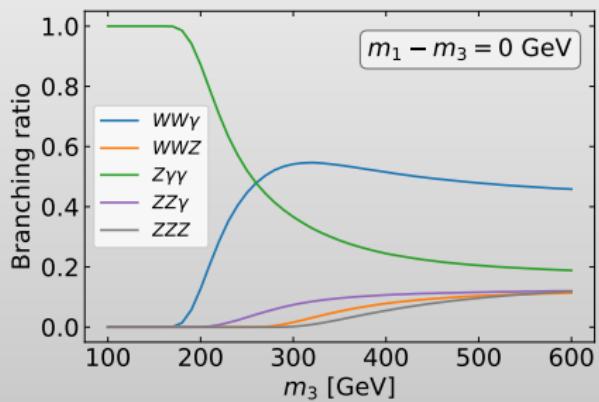
Contur pool	Description	final state(s)
ATLAS-13-LL-GAMMA	dilepton and ≥ 1 photon	$W\gamma W\gamma$,
ATLAS-13-GAMMA	inclusive multiphotons	$W\gamma W\gamma, W\gamma WZ$ $W\gamma\gamma\gamma$
ATLAS-13-GAMMA-MET	photon and MET	$W\gamma WZ$
ATLAS-13-4L	four leptons	$WZWZ$
ATLAS-13-L1L2METJET	unlike dilepton, MET and jets	$W\gamma W\gamma, WZWZ$
ATLAS-13-MMJET	$\mu^+ \mu^-$ at the Z pole, plus optional jets	$WZWZ$
CMS-13-EEJET	$e^+ e^-$ at the Z pole, plus optional jets	$WZWZ$
CMS-13-MMJET	$\mu^+ \mu^-$ at the Z pole, plus optional jets	$WZWZ$

Contribution of different searches

preliminary



Comparison of the bounds at 95% CL obtained from different searches implemented in MADANALYSIS 5 (solid lines) and CHECKMATE 2 (dashed lines).

Decays of η_3^0 

A. Banerjee *et al.*, arXiv:2203.07270 (hep-ph)