

Neutrinos and extended Higgs sectors

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Summary

Triplet-Higgs model for neutrino mass

Consider a complex $SU(2)_L$ -triplet scalar with hypercharge 2:

$$Q = T^3 + Y/2$$

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{++} & \phi^+/\sqrt{2} \\ \phi^+/\sqrt{2} & \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

There is only one gauge-invariant dimension-four coupling of ϕ to fermions:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} &= Y_{ij} L_i^T \phi C^{-1} L_j + \text{h.c.} \\ &= Y_{ij} (\ell_L^T, \nu_L^T)_i \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{++} & \phi^+/\sqrt{2} \\ \phi^+/\sqrt{2} & \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C^{-1} \ell_L \\ C^{-1} \nu_L \end{pmatrix}_j + \text{h.c.} \end{aligned}$$

This coupling violates lepton number!

Giving ϕ a vev, $\langle \phi^0 \rangle = v'$, generates Majorana neutrino masses:

$$\mathcal{M}_{ij} = Y_{ij} v'$$

Neutrino masses are experimentally $\sim \mathcal{O}(0.1 \text{ eV})$:

$Y_{ij} v'$ must be very small, $\sim 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}$.

Feynman rules for $\Delta L = 2$ couplings (all particles outgoing):

$\phi^{--} l_i^+ l_j^+ \quad (i \leq j)$	$2iY_{ij}^* P_R C$
$\phi^- l_i^+ \bar{\nu}_j$	$i\sqrt{2}Y_{ij}^* P_R C$
$\phi^s \nu_i \nu_j \quad (i \leq j)$	$i\sqrt{2}Y_{ij} C^{-1} P_L$
$\phi^s \bar{\nu}_i \bar{\nu}_j \quad (i \leq j)$	$i\sqrt{2}Y_{ij}^* P_R C$
$\phi^p \nu_i \nu_j \quad (i \leq j)$	$-\sqrt{2}Y_{ij} C^{-1} P_L$
$\phi^p \bar{\nu}_i \bar{\nu}_j \quad (i \leq j)$	$\sqrt{2}Y_{ij}^* P_R C$

[Han, H.L., Mukhopadhyaya & Srikanth, hep-ph/0505260]

- ϕ^s , ϕ^p are the real scalar and pseudoscalar components of ϕ^0 .
- C is the charge-conjugation operator.
- If we ignore CP-violating phases then Y_{ij} is symmetric: we've combined the symmetric vertices involving ϕ^{--} , ϕ^s and ϕ^p and written them only for $i \leq j$.
- Flavour structure of leptonic decays is related to Majorana neutrino mass matrix.

This is completely generic.

Framework: Little Higgs models

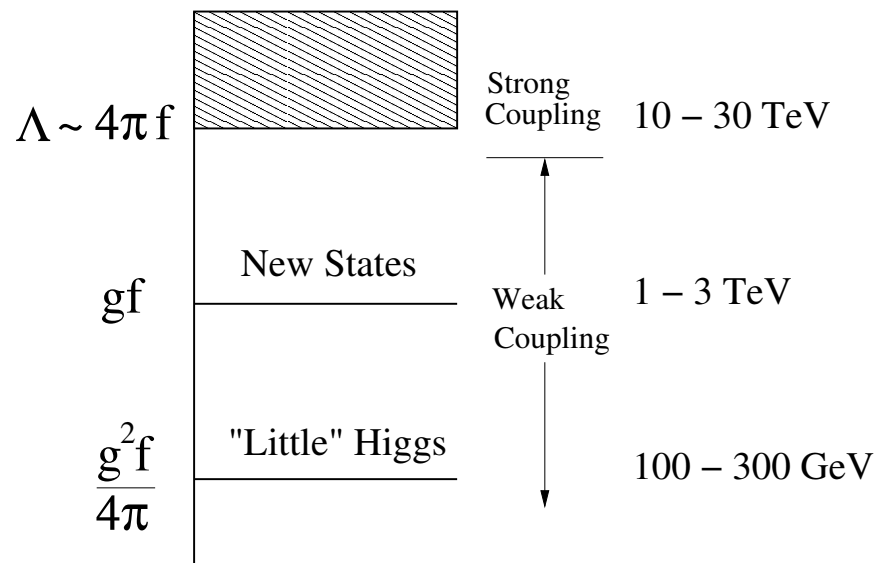
Little Higgs models stabilize the weak scale against one-loop radiative corrections, thereby pushing the cutoff to ~ 10 TeV while maintaining a naturally light Higgs boson.

New particles at ~ 1 TeV cancel off the 1-loop SM quadratic divergence of the Higgs mass.

Higgs is a pseudo-Goldstone boson from global symmetry breaking at scale $\Lambda \sim 4\pi f \sim 10 - 30$ TeV;

Quadratic divergences cancelled at one-loop level by new states $M \sim gf \sim 1 - 3$ TeV;

Higgs acquires a mass radiatively at the EW scale $v \sim g^2 f / 4\pi \sim 100 - 300$ GeV.



EW precision constraints \leftrightarrow more complicated model-building.
Here we're only interested in the triplet Higgs.

Little Higgs models with triplets:

- Littlest Higgs: 1 complex triplet
- Littlest Higgs with custodial symmetry [Chang]:
1 complex triplet + 1 real triplet
- Minimal Moose: 1 light complex triplet
- Minimal Moose with custodial symmetry [Chang & Wacker]:
1 real triplet
- Moose with T-parity [Cheng & Low]: 3 real triplets

Here I'll focus on Littlest Higgs.

Some comments later on models with custodial symmetry.

Littlest Higgs model

[Arkani-Hamed, Cohen, Katz, Nelson, JHEP 0207, 034 (2002)]

The Littlest Higgs model is a nonlinear sigma model broken by a condensate $f \sim \text{TeV}$.

Global symmetry: $SU(5) \longrightarrow SO(5)$

Nonlinear sigma model field Σ (5×5) contains H and a triplet ϕ . H and ϕ are Nambu-Goldstone bosons of the global symmetry breaking.

Gauge symmetry: $[SU(2)]^2 \times [U(1)]^2 \longrightarrow SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

Embedded in the $SU(5)$ global symmetry \longrightarrow Explicitly breaks global symmetry; makes H and ϕ pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone bosons.

Yukawa interactions: Extra $SU(2)$ -singlet vector-like pair of quarks T, \bar{T} added to top sector.

\longrightarrow Explicitly breaks global symmetry; makes H a pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone boson.

Pseudo-Goldstone bosons and gauge structure

Nonlinear sigma model:

$$\Sigma = e^{2i\Pi/f} \Sigma_0 = \Sigma_0 + \frac{2i}{f} \begin{pmatrix} i\phi^\dagger & h^\dagger/\sqrt{2} & \\ h^*/\sqrt{2} & h^T/\sqrt{2} & h/\sqrt{2} \\ & & -i\phi \end{pmatrix} + \dots$$

Gauged $[SU(2) \times U(1)]^2$ subgroup:

$$Q_1^a = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^a/2 & \\ & \end{pmatrix} \quad Q_2^a = \begin{pmatrix} & \\ & -\sigma^a/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Y_1 = \text{diag}(-3, -3, 2, 2, 2)/10$$

$$Y_2 = \text{diag}(-2, -2, -2, 3, 3)/10$$

Gauge generators each preserve part of the global symmetry:

$$SU(3)_1 \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} 0_{2 \times 2} & \\ \hline & V_3 \end{array} \right) \quad SU(3)_2 \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{c|c} V_3 & \\ \hline & 0_{2 \times 2} \end{array} \right)$$

These symmetries keep H light, but ϕ gets a mass $\sim f \sim \text{TeV}$.

New particle content at the TeV scale:

Z_H, W_H^\pm – SU(2) triplet of gauge bosons from the breaking $[\text{SU}(2)]^2 \rightarrow \text{SU}(2)_L$. Cancels the Higgs mass divergence from W^\pm, W^3 .

T – vectorlike charge-2/3 quark. Cancels the Higgs mass divergence from the top quark.

$\Phi^{0,+,+}$ – SU(2) triplet of scalars. Cancels the Higgs mass divergence from the Higgs self-interaction.

A_H – U(1) gauge boson from the breaking $[\text{U}(1)]^2 \rightarrow \text{U}(1)_Y$. Cancels the Higgs mass divergence from B^Y . [EW precision favors only one U(1) \rightarrow no A_H particle]

Model parameters:

f – new physics scale \sim TeV

g_1/g_2 – SU(2)_{1,2} gauge boson coupling ratio [Z_H, W_H^\pm]

λ_1/λ_2 – top sector parameter [T]

v' – triplet Φ vev

g'_1/g'_2 – U(1)_{1,2} gauge boson coupling ratio [EW precision favours variant with only one U(1)]

Scalar potential

The Littlest Higgs model contains a doublet h and a triplet ϕ :

$$h = (h^+, h^0), \quad \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{++} & \phi^+/\sqrt{2} \\ \phi^+/\sqrt{2} & \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Most general gauge-invariant renormalizable Higgs potential is:

$$\begin{aligned} V = & \lambda_{\phi^2} f^2 \text{Tr}(\phi^\dagger \phi) - \lambda_{h\phi h} f (h\phi^\dagger h^T + h^* \phi h^\dagger) - \mu^2 h h^\dagger + \lambda_{h^4} (h h^\dagger)^2 \\ & + \lambda_{h\phi\phi h} h\phi^\dagger \phi h^\dagger + \lambda_{h^2\phi^2} h h^\dagger \text{Tr}(\phi^\dagger \phi) + \lambda_{\phi^2\phi^2} [\text{Tr}(\phi^\dagger \phi)]^2 \\ & + \lambda_{\phi^4} \text{Tr}(\phi^\dagger \phi \phi^\dagger \phi). \end{aligned}$$

Little Higgs framework: take $\mu^2 \sim f^2/16\pi^2$.

Minimizing the potential gives vevs, $\langle h^0 \rangle = v/\sqrt{2}$ and $\langle \phi^0 \rangle = v'$:

$$v^2 = \frac{\mu^2}{\lambda_{h^4} - \lambda_{h\phi h}^2/\lambda_{\phi^2}}, \quad v' = \frac{\lambda_{h\phi h} v^2}{2\lambda_{\phi^2} f}.$$

- Neglected subleading contributions from $h^2\phi^2$, ϕ^4 terms.
- Notice $v' \sim v^2/f$ and is induced by the $h\phi h$ term.

Scalar mass eigenstates

Scalar mass eigenstates are mixtures of h and ϕ .
Mass hierarchy leads to small mixing, $\sim \mathcal{O}(v/f)$.

To leading order in v/f , (ϕ^{++} does not mix)

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi^p &= c_p \sqrt{2} \text{Im} \phi^0 - s_p \sqrt{2} \text{Im} h^0, \\ \Phi^+ &= c_+ \phi^+ - s_+ h^+, \\ \Phi^s &= c_0 \sqrt{2} \text{Re} \phi^0 - s_0 \sqrt{2} \text{Re} h^0\end{aligned}$$

where $s_p = 2\sqrt{2}v'/v$, $s_+ = 2v'/v$ (fixed by Goldstone boson)
and $s_0 \simeq 2\sqrt{2}v'/v$ (leading contrib from potential).

Small mixing with doublet yields couplings to ordinary fermions.

Masses to leading order in v/f are

$$\begin{aligned}M_\Phi^2 &\simeq \lambda_\phi^2 f^2 \quad (\text{degenerate}) \\ m_H^2 &\simeq 2(\lambda_h^4 - \lambda_{h\phi h}^2/\lambda_\phi^2)v^2 = 2\mu^2\end{aligned}$$

Littlest Higgs model: potential for h and ϕ is generated radiatively (Coleman-Weinberg potential).

Model structure leads to $\lambda_{h^4} = \lambda_{\phi^2}/4$.

Gives a relation between parameters:

$$M_{\Phi}^2 = \frac{2m_H^2 f^2}{v^2} \frac{1}{[1 - (4v'f/v^2)^2]}$$

Must have $M_{\Phi}^2 > 0$:

$$\frac{v'^2}{v^2} < \frac{v^2}{16f^2}.$$

$$M_{\Phi} \gtrsim \sqrt{2} f m_H / v$$

Neutrino masses from triplet in Littlest Higgs model

$$\mathcal{M}_{ij} = Y_{ij}v'$$

Neutrino masses are experimentally $\sim \mathcal{O}(0.1 \text{ eV})$:
 $Y_{ij}v'$ must be very small, $\sim 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}$.

Two possibilities:

(1) $v' \sim v^2/f \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ and $Y_{ij} \sim 10^{-10}$

Physics behind small neutrino masses is in Y_{ij}

(2) $Y_{ij} \sim 1$ and $v' \sim 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}$

Physics behind small neutrino masses is in Coleman-Weinberg potential.

Technically natural: $\lambda_{h\phi h} = 0$ preserves lepton number.

or (3) somewhere in between.

Other sources of neutrino mass?

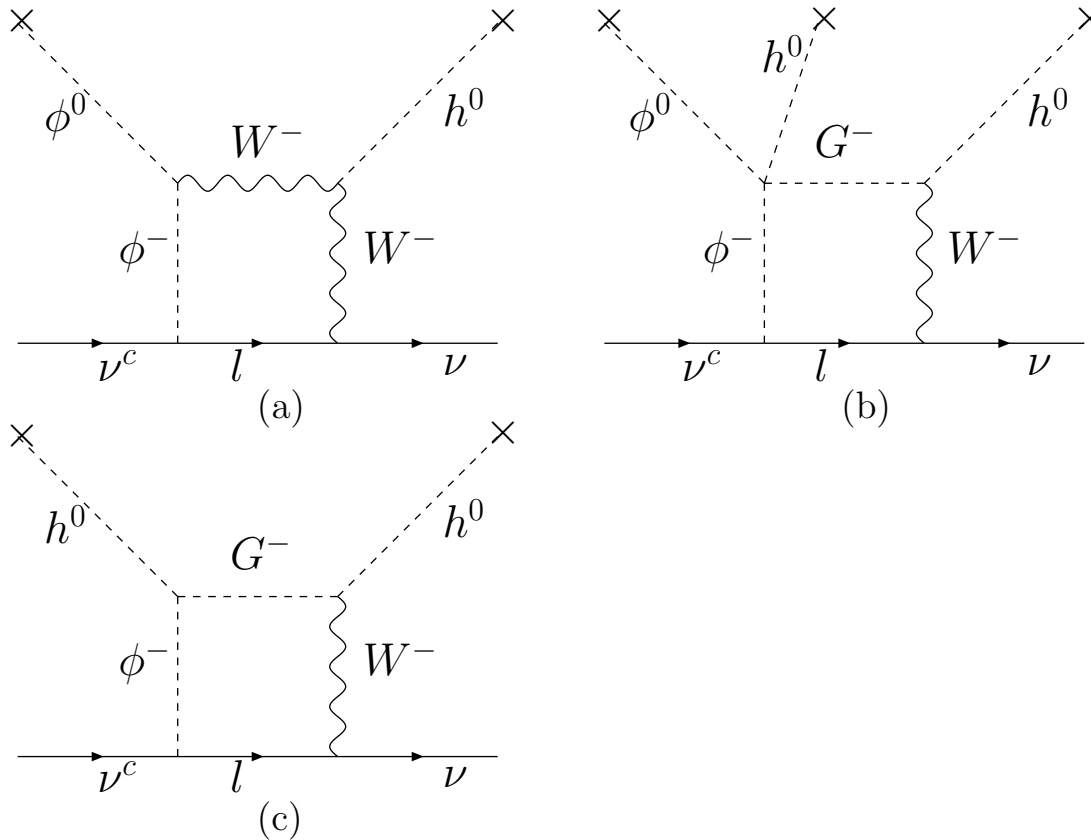
Low cutoff $\Lambda \sim 10$ TeV in Little Higgs models:
dimension-5 operator might be significant.

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = Y_5 \frac{(hL)^2}{\Lambda}$$

Unless Y_5 is tiny, neutrino masses will be way too large.

To avoid this, have to postulate that there is no additional lepton-number violating physics at scale Λ , aside from our $L\phi L$ coupling.

Have to also avoid ops induced by Coleman-Weinberg potential:



(a) and (b) suppressed by [loop factor] $\times v^2/f^2$ relative to $Y_{ij}v'$

(c) suppressed by [loop factor] relative to $Y_{ij}v'$

Phenomenology: triplet decays to leptons

Proceeds through LNV coupling.

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(\phi^{++} \rightarrow \ell_i^+ \ell_j^+) &= \begin{cases} \frac{|Y_{ii}|^2 m_\phi}{8\pi}, & (i = j) \\ \frac{|Y_{ij}|^2 m_\phi}{4\pi} & (i < j) \end{cases} \\ \Gamma(\phi^+ \rightarrow \ell_i^+ \bar{\nu}_j) &= \frac{|Y_{ij}|^2 m_\phi}{8\pi}, \\ \Gamma(\phi^s \rightarrow \nu_i \nu_j + \bar{\nu}_i \bar{\nu}_j) &= \begin{cases} \frac{|Y_{ii}|^2 m_\phi}{8\pi}, & (i = j) \\ \frac{|Y_{ij}|^2 m_\phi}{4\pi}, & (i < j) \end{cases} \\ \Gamma(\phi^p \rightarrow \nu_i \nu_j + \bar{\nu}_i \bar{\nu}_j) &= \begin{cases} \frac{|Y_{ii}|^2 m_\phi}{8\pi}, & (i = j) \\ \frac{|Y_{ij}|^2 m_\phi}{4\pi}, & (i < j) \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

All of order $(m_\nu/v')^2 m_\phi$.

Phenomenology: triplet decays to gauge and Higgs bosons

Decays to Higgs, longitudinal gauge bosons (Goldstones):

$$\Gamma(\phi^{++} \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^+) \approx \frac{v'^2 m_\phi^3}{2\pi v^4},$$

$$\Gamma(\phi^+ \rightarrow W_L^+ Z_L) \approx \Gamma(\phi^+ \rightarrow W_L^+ h) \approx \frac{v'^2 m_\phi^3}{4\pi v^4},$$

$$\Gamma(\phi^s \rightarrow Z_L Z_L) \approx \Gamma(\phi^s \rightarrow hh) \approx \frac{v'^2 m_\phi^3}{4\pi v^4}$$

$$\Gamma(\phi^p \rightarrow Z_L h) \approx \frac{v'^2 m_\phi^3}{2\pi v^4}$$

Coupling is via $h\phi h$ term:

$$\Gamma(V_L V_L, hh, V_L h) = \frac{v'^2 m_\phi^3}{2\pi v^4} = (\lambda_{h\phi h} f)^2 \frac{m_\phi}{8\pi}.$$

Phenomenology: triplet decays to transverse gauge bosons

Decays to transverse gauge bosons are through $g^2 v'$ vertex:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(\phi^{++} \rightarrow W_T^+ W_T^+) &\approx \frac{g^4 v'^2}{4\pi m_\phi}, \\ \Gamma(\phi^+ \rightarrow W_T^+ Z_T) &\approx \frac{g^4 v'^2}{8\pi m_\phi c_W^2}, \\ \Gamma(\phi^s \rightarrow Z_T Z_T) &\approx \frac{g^4 v'^2}{8\pi m_\phi c_W^4}\end{aligned}$$

- Smaller by $g^4 v^4 / m_\phi^4$ than transverse modes.
- Same dependence on v'^2 .

Phenomenology: triplet decays to heavy quarks

ϕ couples to 3rd-generation quarks through mixing with h :

$\sim v'/v$, tiny when $v' \ll 1$ GeV.

However: structure of nonlinear sigma model leads to direct higher-dim coupling of ϕ to fermions!

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = \frac{\lambda_1 f}{2} \epsilon_{ijk} \epsilon_{xy} \chi_i \Sigma_{jx} \Sigma_{ky} t^c + \lambda_2 f \bar{T} \bar{t}'^c \quad \text{with } \chi = (b, t, T),$$

$$\Sigma = e^{2i\Pi/f} \begin{pmatrix} & & \mathbf{1}_{2 \times 2} \\ & 1 & \\ \mathbf{1}_{2 \times 2} & & \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \Pi = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0}_{2 \times 2} & h^\dagger/\sqrt{2} & i\phi^\dagger \\ h^*/\sqrt{2} & 0 & h/\sqrt{2} \\ -i\phi & h^T/\sqrt{2} & \mathbf{0}_{2 \times 2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Expansion generates higher-dim terms like $h^T + \phi h^\dagger/f + \dots$

Inserting h vev generates $\phi \bar{f} f$ couplings $\sim y_f v/f$.

Not suppressed by v' !

Couplings generated through h - ϕ mixing would be $\sim y_f v'/v$.

$$\Gamma(\phi^+ \rightarrow t\bar{b}) \approx \frac{N_c m_t^2 m_\phi}{32\pi f^2},$$

$$\Gamma(\phi^{s,p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}) \approx \frac{N_c m_t^2 m_\phi}{16\pi f^2}$$

$$\Gamma(\phi^{s,p} \rightarrow b\bar{b}) \approx \frac{N_c m_b^2 m_\phi}{16\pi f^2}$$

Partial widths $\sim (m_t^2/v^2)(v^2/f^2)m_\phi$. **Not suppressed by v !**

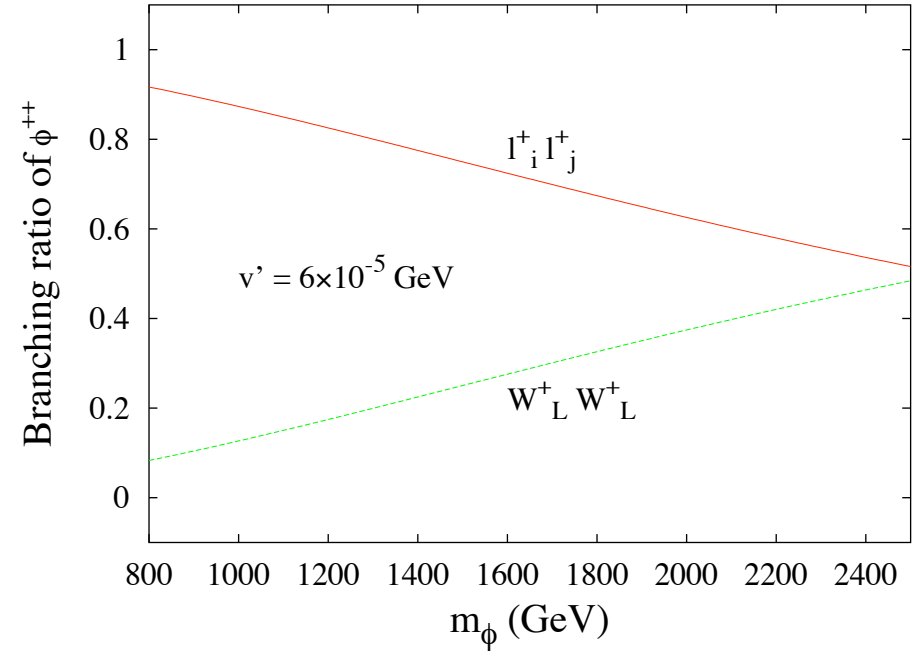
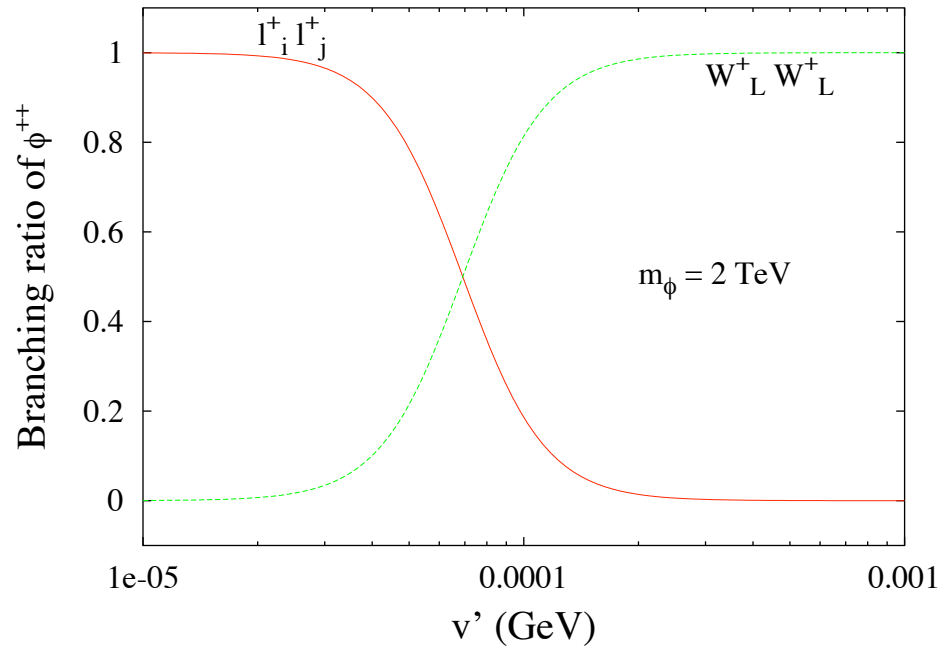
Unique feature of little Higgs models: not present in general triplet neutrino mass model.

Littlest Higgs model: ϕ can also decay to heavy top-partner T :

$$\Gamma(\phi^+ \rightarrow T\bar{b}) \approx \frac{N_c m_t^2 m_\phi}{32\pi f^2} \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} \right)^2 \left[1 - \left(\frac{m_T}{m_\phi} \right)^2 \right]^2$$

$$\Gamma(\phi^{s,p} \rightarrow T\bar{t} + t\bar{T}) \approx \frac{N_c m_t^2 m_\phi}{16\pi f^2} \left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2} \right)^2 \left[1 - \left(\frac{m_T}{m_\phi} \right)^2 \right]^2$$

Phenomenology: triplet branching fractions: ϕ^{++}



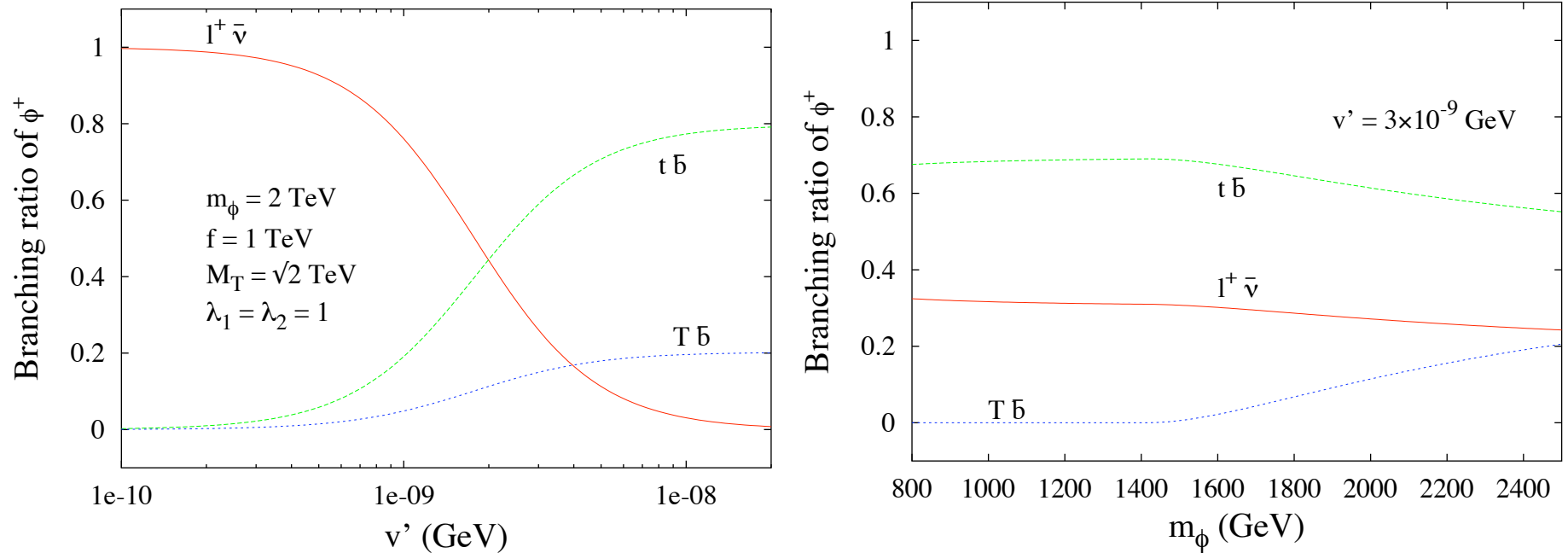
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$$\Gamma(\ell_i^+ \ell_j^+) = \begin{cases} \frac{|Y_{ii}|^2 m_\phi}{4\pi}, & (i = j) \\ \frac{|Y_{ij}|^2 m_\phi}{4\pi}, & (i < j) \end{cases}, \quad \Gamma(W_L^+ W_L^+) \approx \frac{v'^2 m_\phi^3}{2\pi v^4}, \quad Y_{ij} v' \sim 10^{-10} \text{ GeV}$$

Crossover for $v' \sim \text{few } 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}$ ($Y \sim \text{few } 10^{-6}$).

Note relative m_ϕ^2 growth of $W_L^+ W_L^+$ vs $\ell^+ \ell^+$: longitudinal pol'n vector $\sim (E_W/m_W)^2$ enhancement.

Phenomenology: triplet branching fractions: ϕ^+



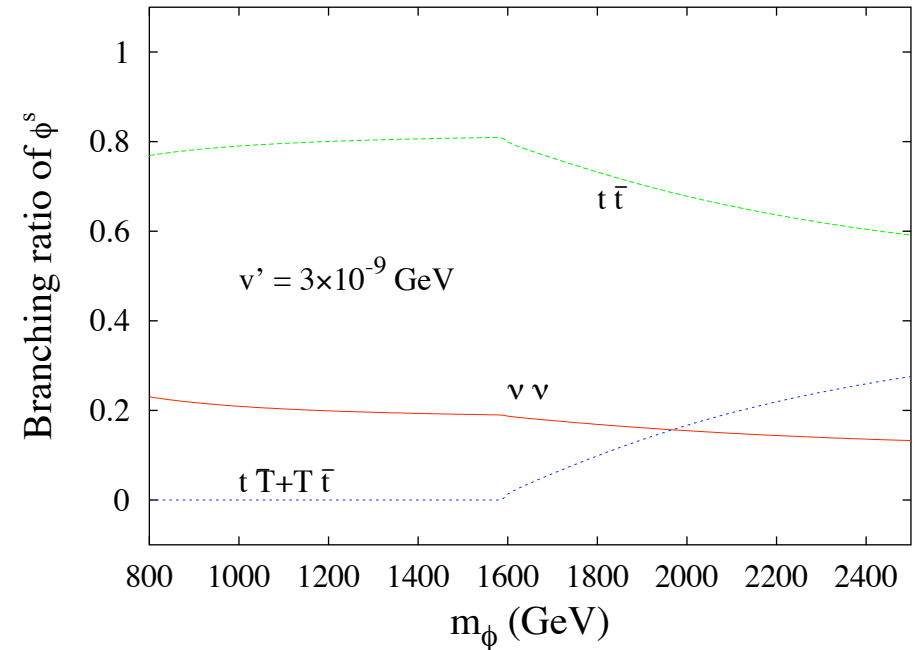
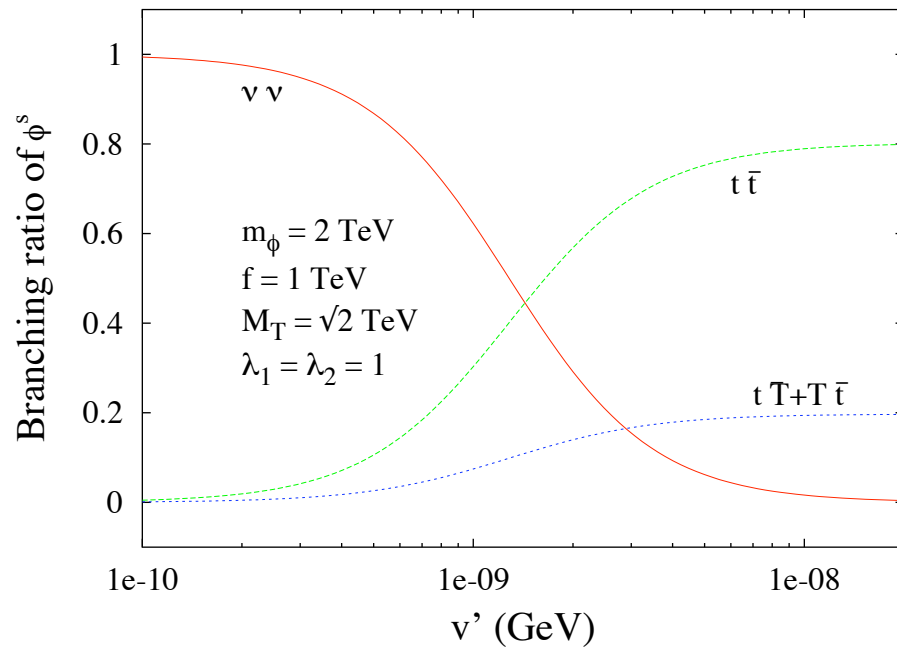
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Crossover to $t\bar{b}$ decays for $v' \sim 10^{-9}$ GeV ($Y \sim 0.1$).

Due entirely to nonlinear sigma model expansion!

WZ mode remains insignificant.

Phenomenology: triplet branching fractions: ϕ^s



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Again crossover to $t\bar{t}$ decays for $v' \sim 10^{-9}$ GeV ($Y \sim 0.1$).

Due entirely to nonlinear sigma model expansion!

ZZ , hh modes remain insignificant.

ϕ^p decays are the same.

Phenomenology: production of triplet states

Single-production from couplings to gauge bosons:

- $\mathcal{L} = |\mathcal{D}_\mu\phi|^2$ gives ϕVV couplings $\sim gv'$.
- On the edge of observability at LHC when $v' \sim 1$ GeV.
- When LNV decays are relevant, $v' \ll \text{GeV}$ and ϕVV is extremely tiny.

Pair production from couplings to gauge bosons:

- $\mathcal{L} = |\mathcal{D}_\mu\Phi|^2$ gives $\phi\phi VV$ couplings $\sim g^2$.
- Unsuppressed couplings!
- Pair production kinematically suppressed for heavy ϕ .

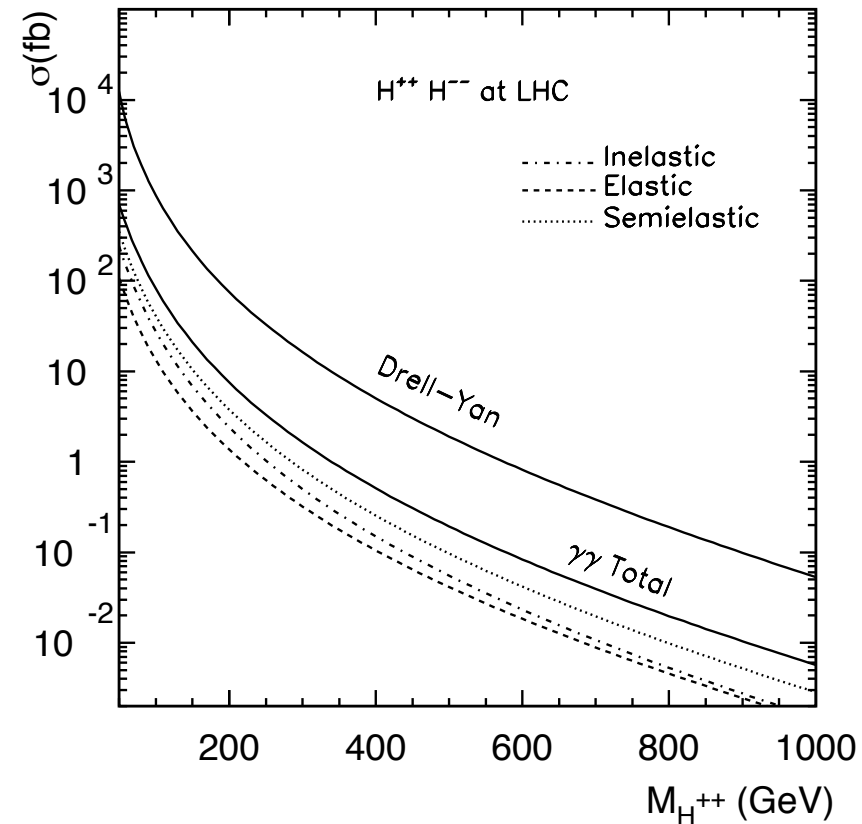
Single-production from LNV coupling to leptons:

- $e^-e^- \rightarrow \phi^{--}$, s-channel production in e^-e^- mode of ILC.
- Coupling $\sim Y_{ee}$.

Focus on pair production of $\phi^{++}\phi^{--}$ at LHC.

Production mainly electromagnetic.

[Han, Mukhopadhyaya, Si, & Wang, arXiv:0706.0441]

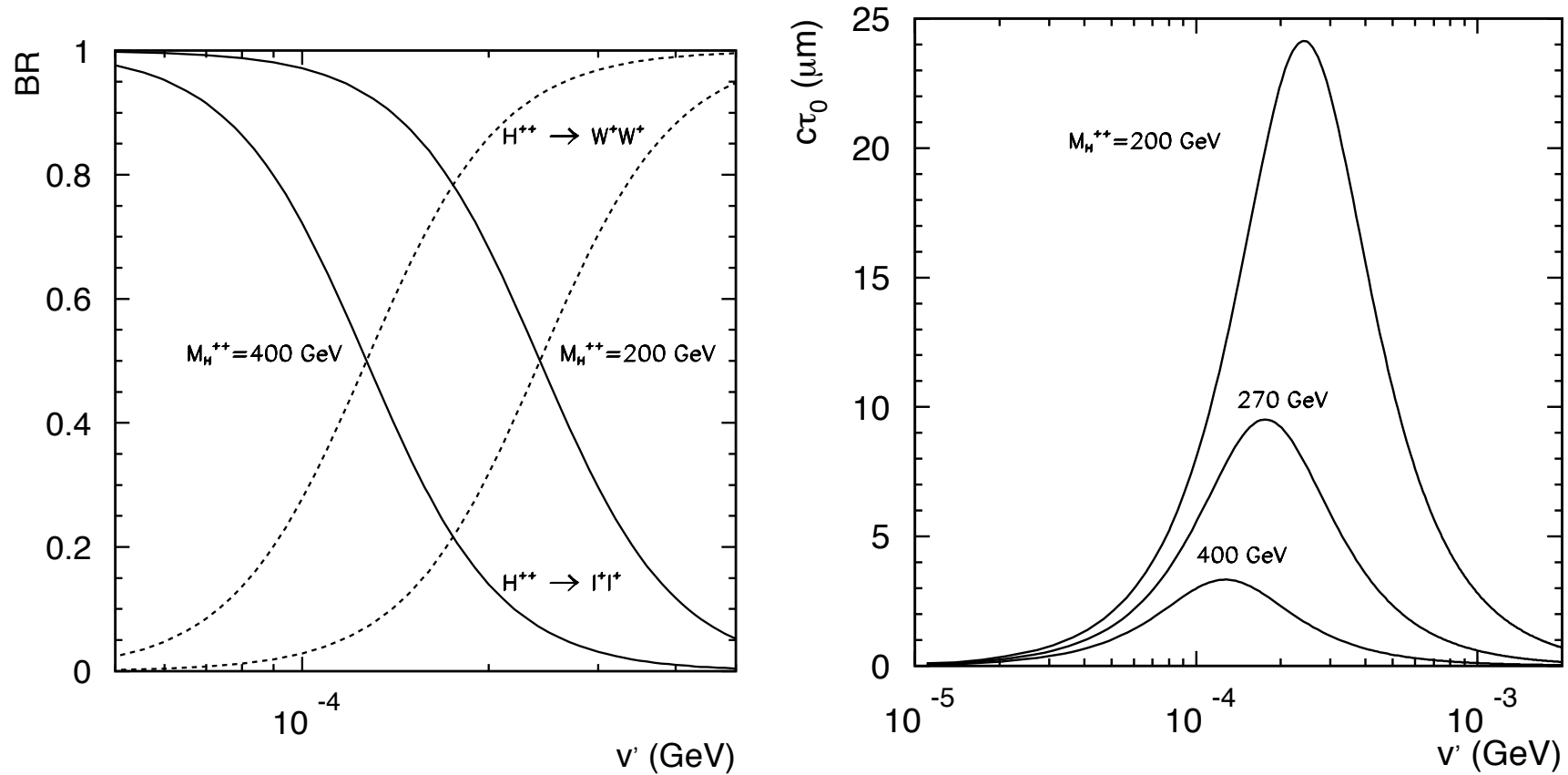


Decay modes:

- $l_i^+ l_j^+$ and $W^+ W^+$: interplay of Y_{ij} and v' .
- $\phi^+ W^+$, $\phi^+ \phi^+$: depend on ϕ mass splittings.

Study ignored these – mass splittings due to EWSB typically $\sim m_W^2/m_\phi$.

Decay length maximized at BR crossover:

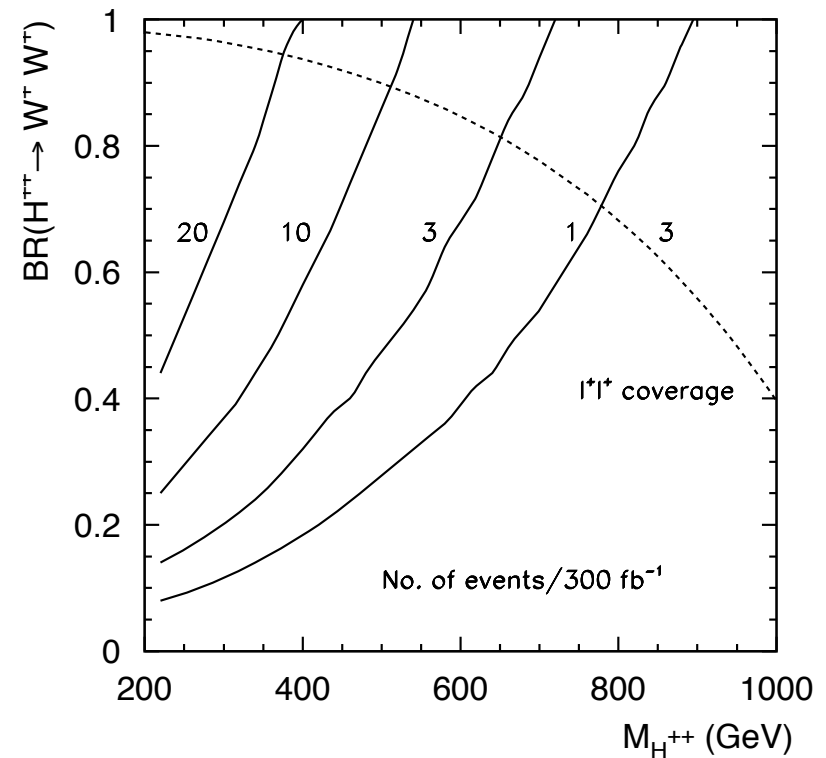
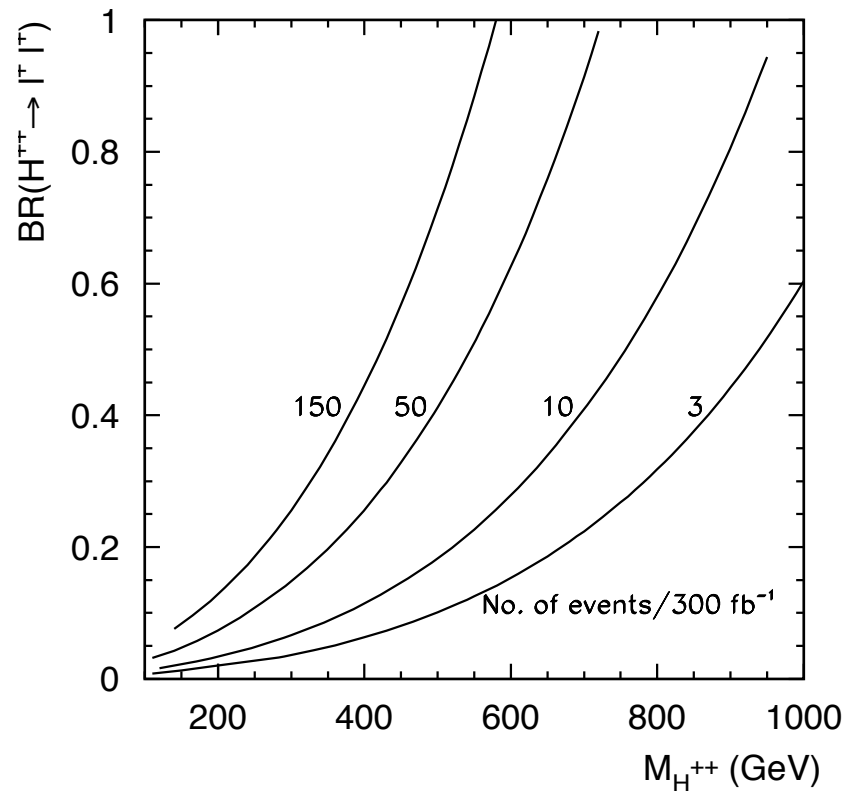


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... maybe detectable with enough boost, but ϕ is not long-lived.

Event numbers after cuts:

(LHC, 300 fb^{-1})



[Han, Mukhopadhyaya, Si, & Wang, arXiv:0706.0441]

- Nearly background-free: mainly a question of statistics.
- Reach in $l^{+} l^{+}$ channel up to 1000 GeV for $\text{BR} > 0.6$.
- Reach in one channel or the other up to ~ 600 GeV.

Flavour structure of decays reflects \mathcal{M}_{ij} !

Electroweak precision constraints on triplet models

SM has an accidental “custodial” $SU(2)$ symmetry that keeps $\rho \equiv \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2 c_W^2} = 1$ at tree level.

$$\text{SM Higgs : } h = \begin{pmatrix} h^{0*} & h^+ \\ -h^{+*} & h^0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } \langle h \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v & 0 \\ 0 & v \end{pmatrix}$$

Higgs potential and kinetic terms are invariant under $SU(2)$ rotations on either left or right side: $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$.

Higgs vev breaks $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ down to the diagonal $SU(2)$ subgroup: this is the custodial $SU(2)$.

$SU(2)_L$ is gauged; $SU(2)_R$ is a global symmetry.

Triplet vev violates custodial SU(2): $\rho \neq 1$ at tree level!
Tight constraints on triplet models from ρ parameter.

[One-loop: coming in a few slides.]

Easy to work out general case:

- Need at least one doublet to give mass to quarks.
- Add a $Y = 2$ complex triplet or $Y = 0$ real triplet:

$$Y = 2 : \quad \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{++} \\ \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix} \quad Y = 0 : \quad \xi = \begin{pmatrix} \xi^+ \\ \xi^0 \\ \xi^- \end{pmatrix}$$

Vacuum expectation values: $\langle \phi^0 \rangle = v'$, $\langle \xi^0 \rangle = v_0$.

Complex triplet with vev v' plus doublet with vev $v_d \sim 246$ GeV:

$$m_W^2 = \frac{g^2}{4}(v_d^2 + 4v'^2), \quad m_Z^2 = \frac{g^2}{4c_W^2}(v_d^2 + 8v'^2)$$

so
$$\rho = \frac{v_d^2 + 4v'^2}{v_d^2 + 8v'^2} \simeq 1 - \frac{4v'^2}{v_d^2}$$

Real triplet with vev v_0 plus doublet with vev $v_d \sim 246$ GeV:

$$m_W^2 = \frac{g^2}{4}(v_d^2 + 4v_0^2), \quad m_Z^2 = \frac{g^2}{4c_W^2}v_d^2$$

so
$$\rho = \frac{v_d^2 + 4v_0^2}{v_d^2} = 1 + \frac{4v_0^2}{v_d^2}$$

Rho parameter constraint forces $v', v_0 \lesssim$ few GeV.

Not a concern for our tiny ϕ vev!

Single production via $VV\phi$ can never be very strong.

There is a way around this ρ parameter constraint.

Consider a model with one doublet, one $Y = 2$ complex triplet, and one $Y = 0$ real triplet.

$$\rho = \frac{v_d^2 + 4v'^2 + 4v_0^2}{v_d^2 + 8v'^2} = 1 \quad \text{if } v' = v_0.$$

Cancellation between ρ parameter shifts from complex and real triplet. Now triplet vevs can be large!

This is the **Georgi-Machacek model**.

Higgs sector combines one complex triplet and one real triplet into a multiplet of $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$:

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{0*} & \xi^+ & \phi^{++} \\ -\phi^{+*} & \xi^0 & \phi^+ \\ \phi^{++*} & \xi^- & \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \langle \chi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} v' & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & v' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & v' \end{pmatrix}$$

so that $v_0 = v'$.

$SU(2)_L$ is gauged; $SU(2)_R$ is a global symmetry.

Higgs potential constructed to be symmetric under $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$.

[Chanowitz & Golden]

v' breaks $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ down to the diagonal $SU(2)$ subgroup: this is the (global) custodial $SU(2)$.

Model preserves $\rho = 1$ at tree level and v' is not constrained!

Physical states:

- $SU(2)_c$ 5-plet: consists entirely of triplets ϕ and ξ . No couplings to fermions. Couples to gauge boson pairs $\sim gv'$.
- $SU(2)_c$ 3-plet: mixture of doublet and complex triplet. (SM Goldstones form such a triplet.) Couples to fermions via doublet component. No ϕVV coupling.
- Two $SU(2)_c$ singlets (which mix in general): one is the SM (doublet) Higgs and the other is a mixture of the neutral triplet states. SM Higgs part couples to fermions; both couple to gauge boson pairs.

Georgi-Machacek structure is used in Littlest Higgs with Custodial Symmetry model [Chang].

Breaking of custodial SU(2)

For a doublet the custodial SU(2) is unbroken in the gauge sector: ρ remains a prediction of the model even after radiative corrections are included.

But for our combined triplets, the $SU(2)_R$ is broken by the gauging of hypercharge as its T^3 generator.

Custodial SU(2)-breaking feeds in to the Higgs potential at one-loop and ρ gets a counterterm beyond tree level.

Triplet-Higgs models beyond tree level

To use electroweak precision constraints, want to work at 1-loop.

First consider the SM.

Precision measurements are all in the EW gauge sector:
determined by

- 3 parameters g , g' and v
- fermion quantum numbers (these don't get renormalized)

These 3 renormalizable parameters of the SM get counterterms beyond tree level.

Fix them with 3 “inputs”; then the rest of the EW precision observables are predicted. Usual choice is:

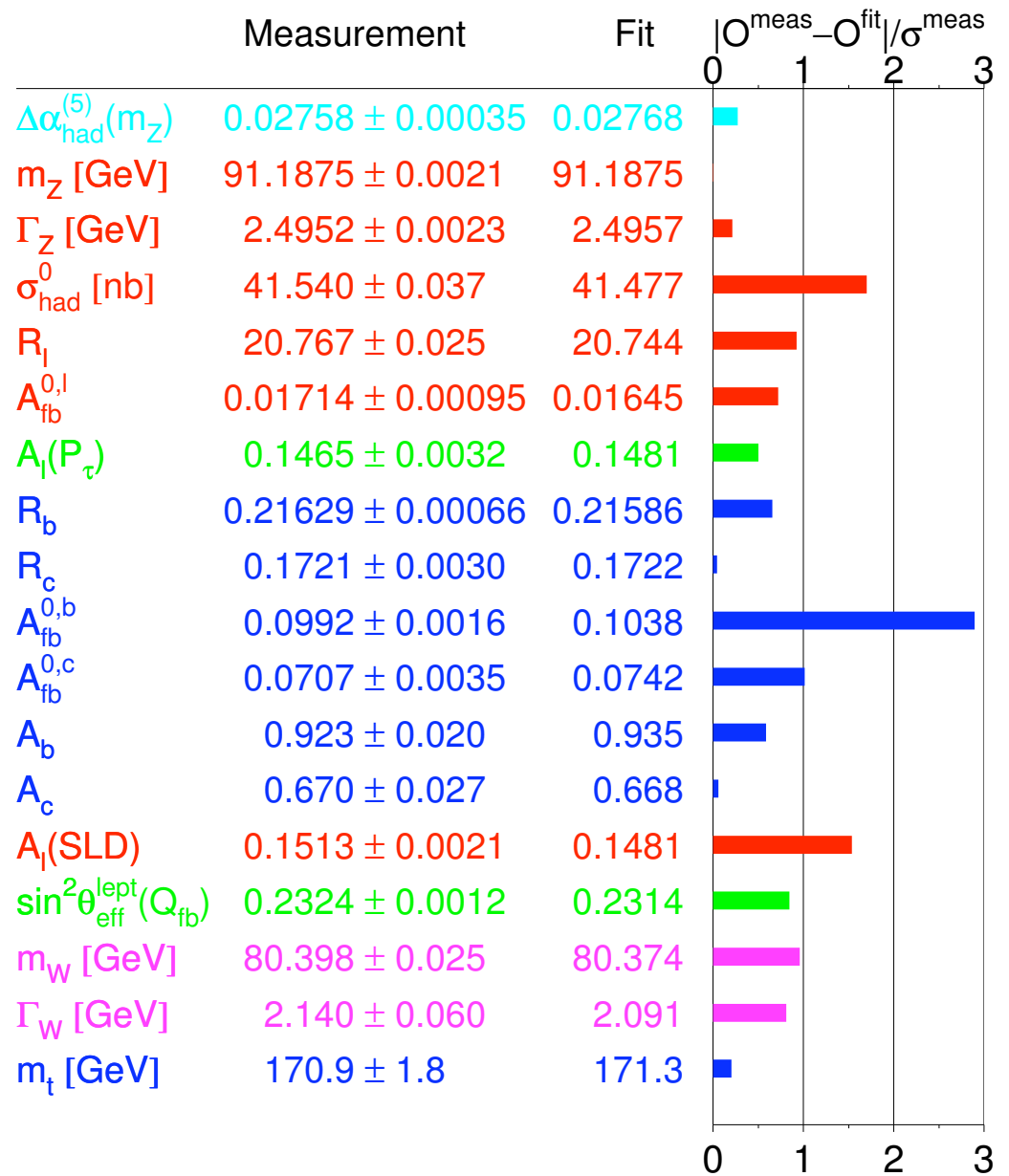
$$G_\mu = 1.16639(1) \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$M_Z = 91.1876(21) \text{ GeV}$$

$$\alpha(M_Z)^{-1} = 127.934 \pm 0.027$$

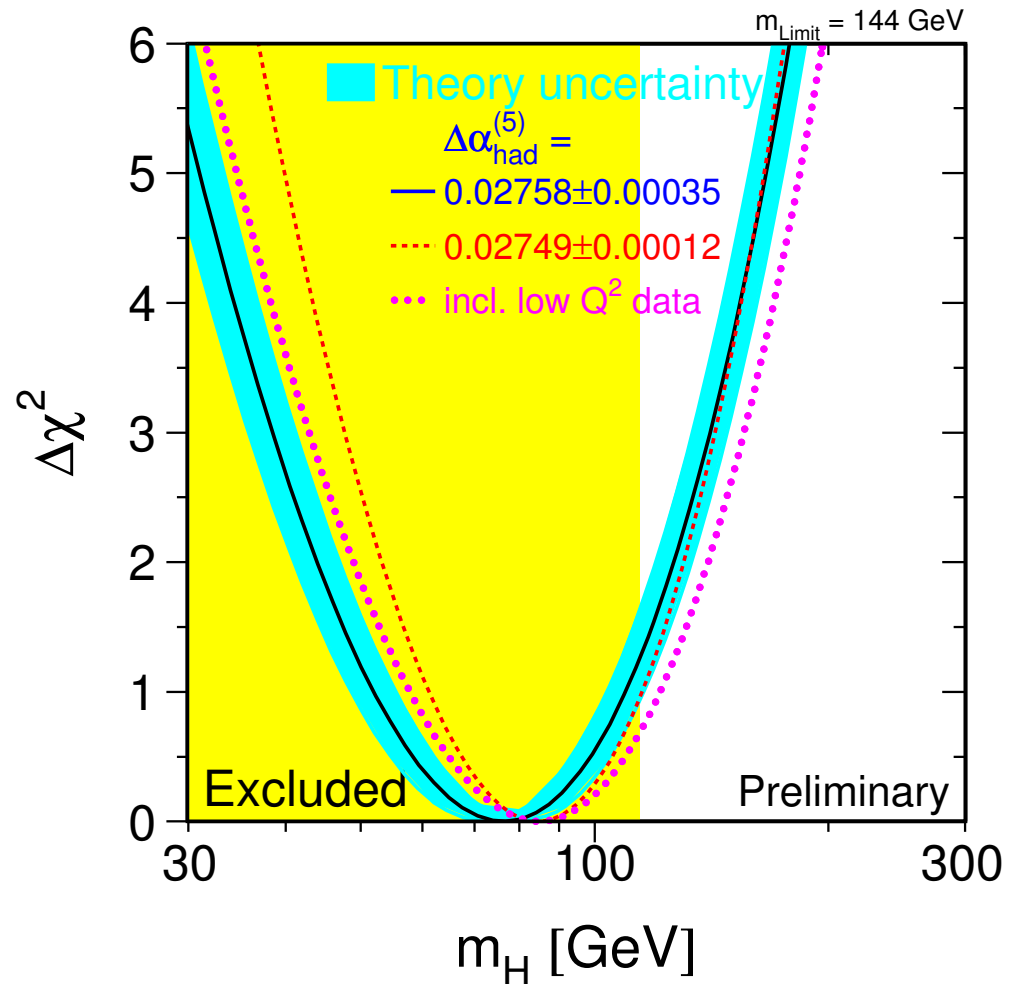
In practice, long list of EW precision observables are fitted to the 1-loop SM with three free parameters (counterterms).

Top mass is not used to fix a counterterm; it shows up only at 1-loop in the corrections.



Higgs mass is also not used to fix a counterterm; it shows up at 1-loop in the corrections.

EW precision fit can then be used to constrain the SM Higgs mass.

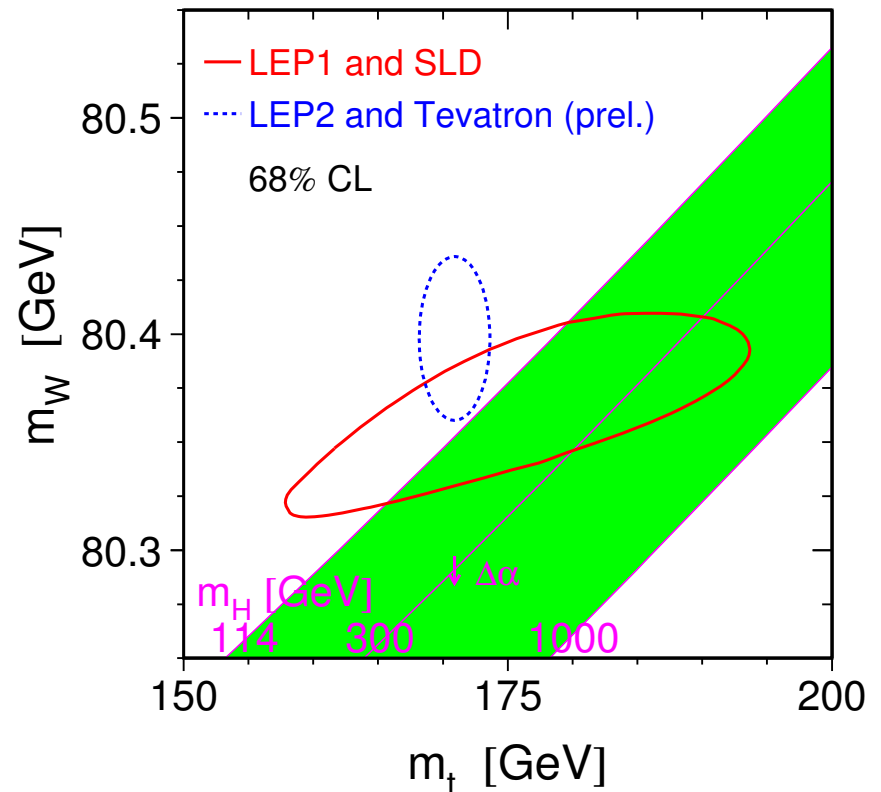


Much of the power of the Higgs mass fit comes from M_W .

SM prediction at 1-loop: M_W is defined through muon decay:

$$G_\mu = \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}M_W^2 \bar{s}_\theta^2} [1 + \Delta r_{\text{SM}}] \quad \text{with} \quad \bar{s}_\theta^2 = 1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \quad (\text{on shell})$$

$$\text{and} \quad \Delta r_{\text{SM}} = -\frac{\delta G_\mu}{G_\mu} + \frac{\delta\alpha}{\alpha} - \frac{\delta\bar{s}_\theta^2}{\bar{s}_\theta^2} - \frac{\delta M_W^2}{M_W^2}.$$



All these are fixed in terms of:

- self-energies as enter through the counterterm-fixing conditions
- vertex and box diagrams contributing to muon decay

$$\frac{\delta G_\mu}{G_\mu} = -\frac{\Pi_{WW}(0)}{M_W^2} + \delta_{\text{box,vertex}}$$

$$\frac{\delta\alpha}{\alpha} = \Pi'_{\gamma\gamma}(0) + 2\frac{\bar{s}_\theta^2}{\bar{c}_\theta^2} \frac{\Pi_{\gamma Z}(0)}{M_Z^2}$$

$$\frac{\delta M_W^2}{M_W^2} = \frac{\Pi_{WW}(M_W^2)}{M_W^2}$$

$$\frac{\delta\bar{s}_\theta^2}{\bar{s}_\theta^2} = \frac{\bar{c}_\theta^2}{\bar{s}_\theta^2} \left[\frac{\delta M_Z^2}{M_Z^2} - \frac{\delta M_W^2}{M_W^2} \right] = \frac{\bar{c}_\theta^2}{\bar{s}_\theta^2} \left[\frac{\Pi_{ZZ}(M_Z^2)}{M_Z^2} - \frac{\Pi_{WW}(M_W^2)}{M_W^2} \right]$$

Top mass dependence enters quadratically through $\delta\bar{s}_\theta^2/\bar{s}_\theta^2$.

Key difference with triplet models:

4 gauge sector parameters instead of 3. g , g' , v , and v' .

No more on-shell definition for s_θ^2 :

$\rho = M_W^2/M_Z^2 c_\theta^2 \neq 1$ at tree level!

Need 4 inputs to fix 4 free counterterms:

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$$M_Z = 91.1876(21) \text{ GeV}$$

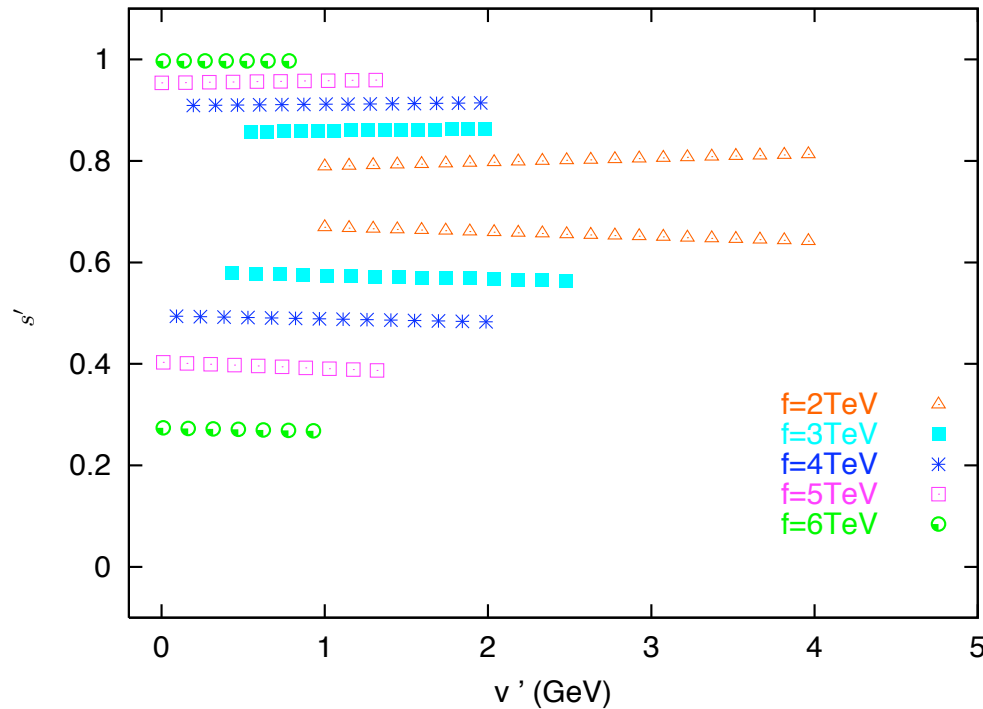
$$\alpha(M_Z)^{-1} = 127.934 \pm 0.027$$

$$s_\theta^2 = 0.23150 \pm 0.00016 \text{ (effective leptonic mixing angle)}$$

$$\text{where } \frac{\text{Re}(g_V^e)}{\text{Re}(g_A^e)} = 4s_\theta^2 - 1$$

- Use these 4 inputs to fix the 4 counterterms at 1-loop level.
- Predict M_W in terms of other free model parameters that enter through 1-loop diagrams.
- Use the measured M_W value to constrain the model parameters.

Littlest Higgs model: allowed parameter space for v' at one loop



Other masses used:

$$m_t = 175 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_b = 3 \text{ GeV } (\overline{\text{MS}})$$

$$m_H = 120 \text{ GeV}$$

[Chen & Dawson, hep-ph/0311032]

Plotted against $s' = g'_2 / \sqrt{g'_1{}^2 + g'_2{}^2}$.

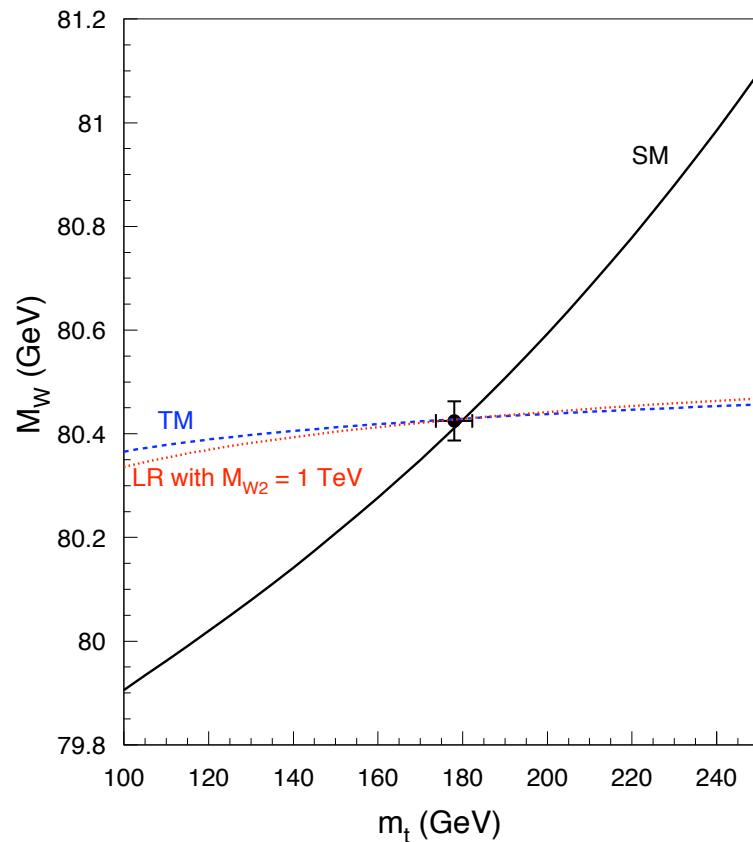
Scanned over $s = g_2 / \sqrt{g_1{}^2 + g_2{}^2}$ and $x_L = \lambda_1^2 / (\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2)$.

Note $v' \gtrsim 1 \text{ GeV}$ required for low $f \sim 2 \text{ TeV}$.

Chen & Dawson used $\Delta M_W \simeq 60 \text{ MeV}$ at 1σ ; plot presumably a 2σ constraint.

Looks straightforward, but there is a lot of subtle physics there.

$\delta s_\theta^2/s_\theta^2$ no longer fixed in terms of W and Z self-energies. Determined instead by RC's to $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}}$: γ - Z mixing, vertex & box diagrams.



1-loop M_W correction no longer quadratically sensitive to top mass!

Data point: expt values, 1σ error bars. SM: includes complete top/bottom quark, SM gauge, and SM Higgs contributions with $m_H = 120$ GeV.

TM = 1 doublet + 1 real triplet: plot includes only top quark contributions; other free params chosen to intersect data point.

[Chen, Dawson & Krupovnickas, hep-ph/0504286]

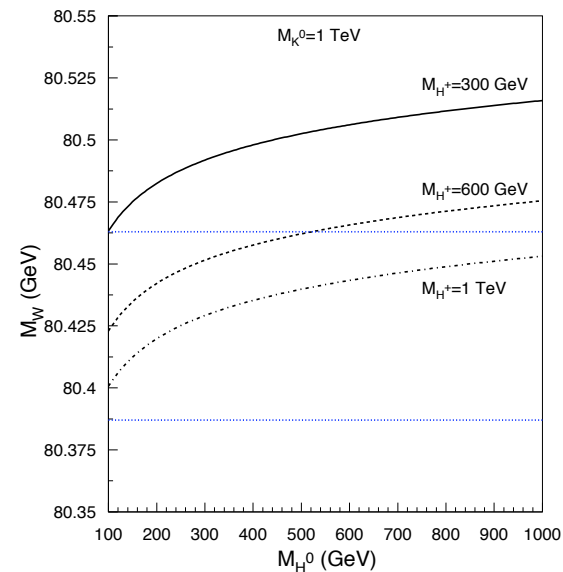
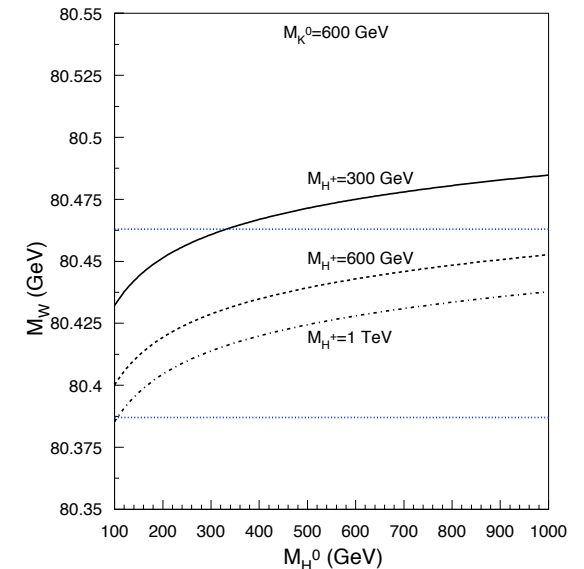
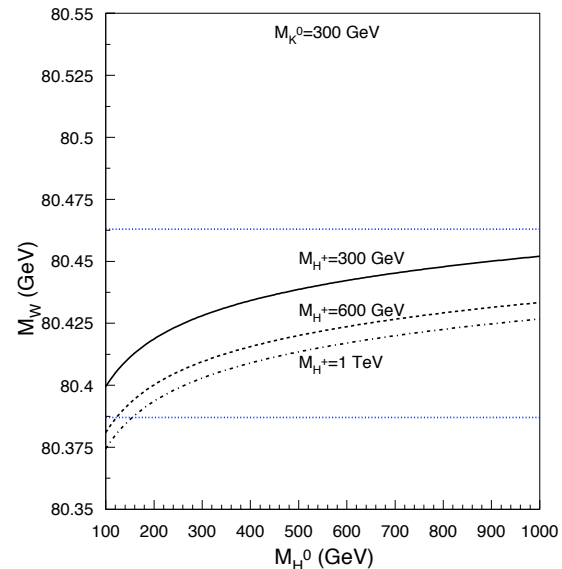
New fit in triplet model replaces SM “blue band” Higgs mass fit.

SM-like Higgs H^0 does not have to be light!

W mass constraint can be satisfied even for $m_H \sim \text{TeV}$.

Triplet contribution to ρ essentially canceling heavy SM Higgs contribution.

[Chen, Dawson & Krupovnickas, [hep-ph/0504286](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0504286)]



Summary

Triplet-Higgs models interesting from neutrino mass perspective

Dimension-4 operator for neutrino mass: renormalizable Lagrangian!

Rich LHC phenomenology

- Opportunity to directly probe Majorana neutrino Yukawa matrix Y_{ij} in LNV triplet decays

$\rho \neq 1$ at tree level: EW precision constraints on v'

Neutrino mass: nice to have $v' \ll \text{GeV}$: no worries about ρ .

Model-building with real and complex triplets – Georgi-Machacek.

Renormalization of triplet models: very different from SM.

4 fundamental gauge-sector parameters.

An excellent lesson in field theory renormalization.