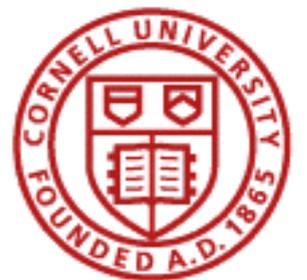


Physics Case for e^+e^- Colliders at 250 GeV

Maxim Perelstein, Cornell

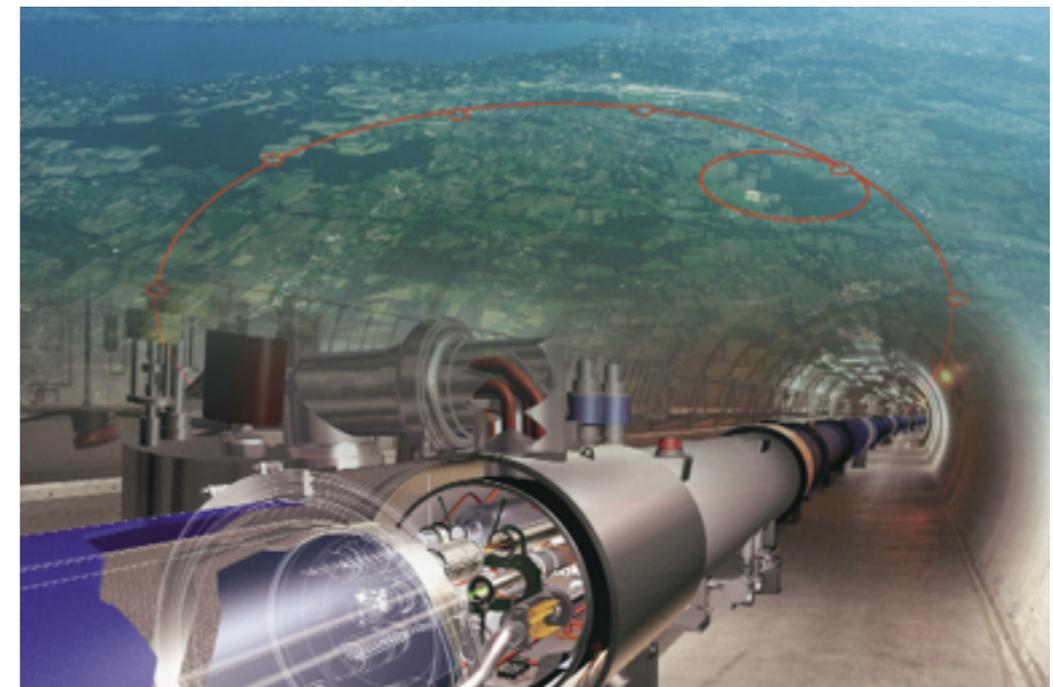
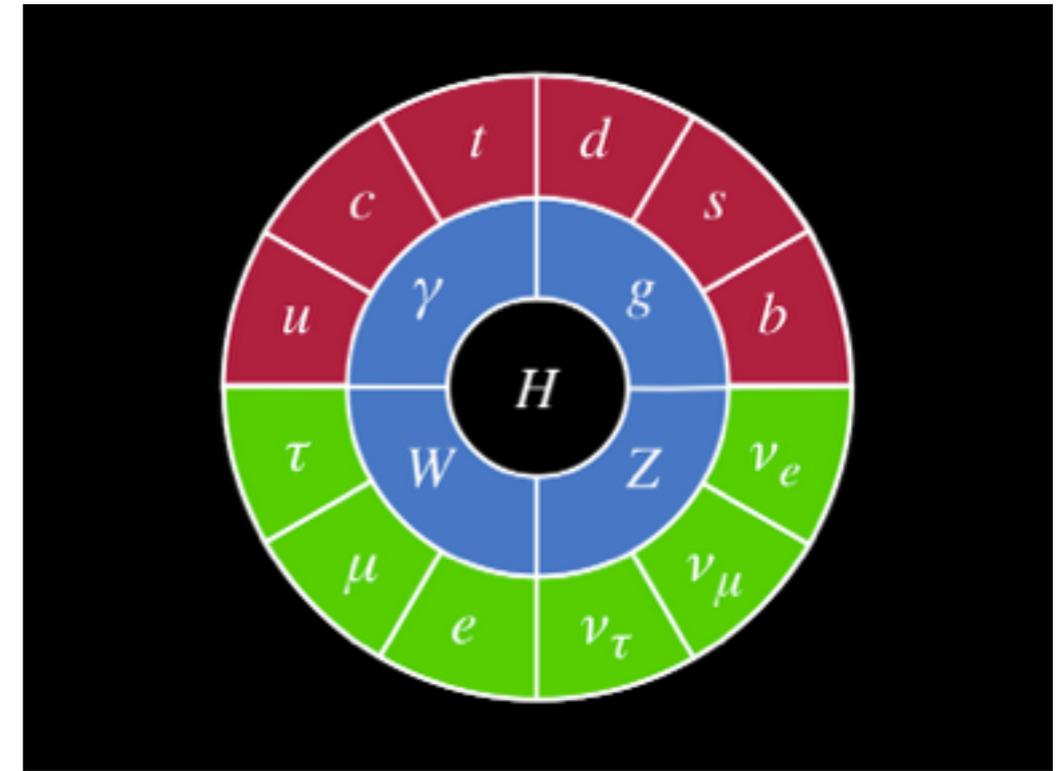
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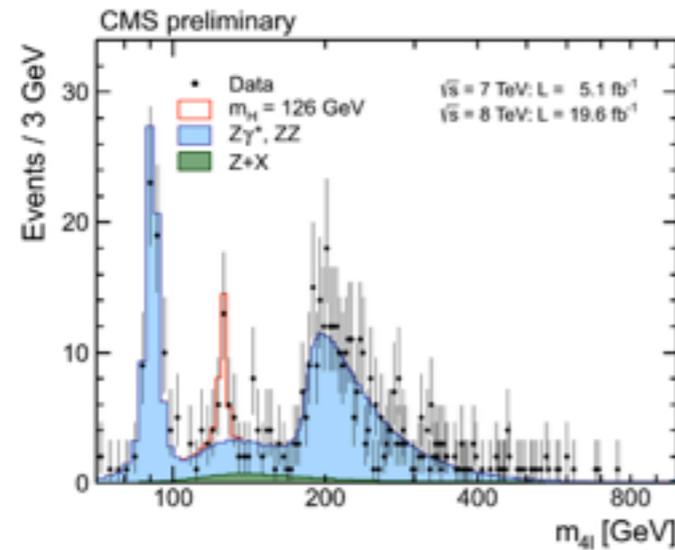


Particle Physics in 2017

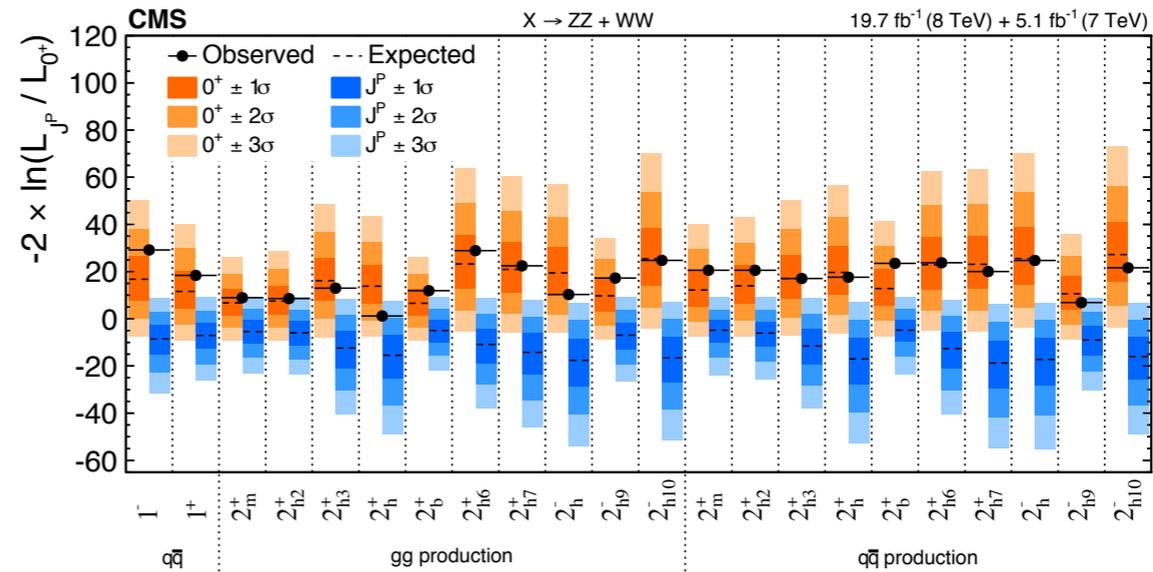
- The Standard Model (SM) has been the undisputed queen of particle physics since (at least) the late 1970's
- Aspects of SM have been probed with increasing degree of precision by LEP, SLC/SLD, Tevatron, CLEO, Belle, BaBar, etc.
- Since 2010, experiments at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN are pushing the high-energy frontier
- Higgs discovery in 2012 completes the verification of SM particle content



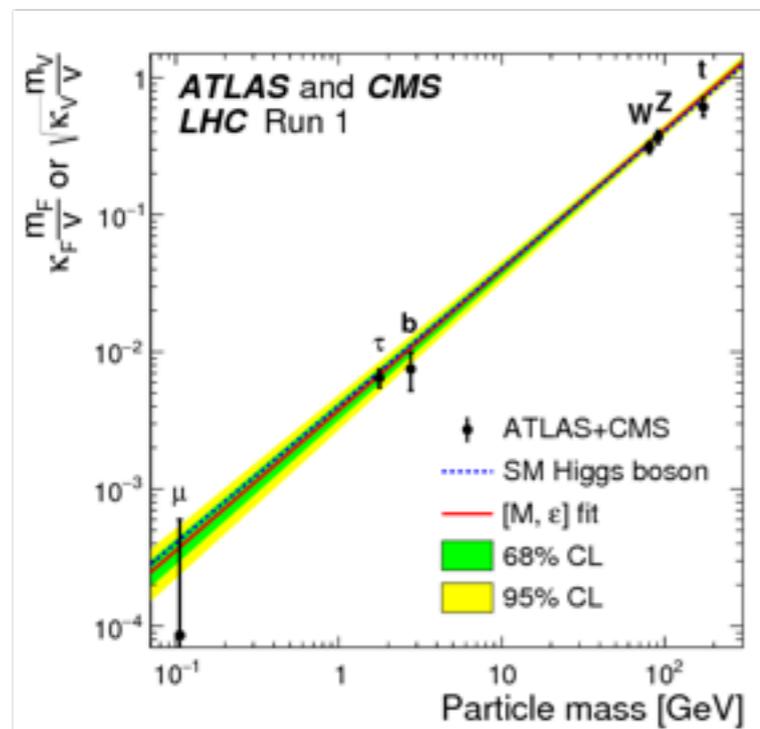
Highlights from the LHC: Higgs



It exists! $m=125$ GeV



It is a spin-0 object



It couples to other particles with strength proportional to their mass (~20% level, w/some assumptions)



Nobel Prize 2013
Higgs and Englert

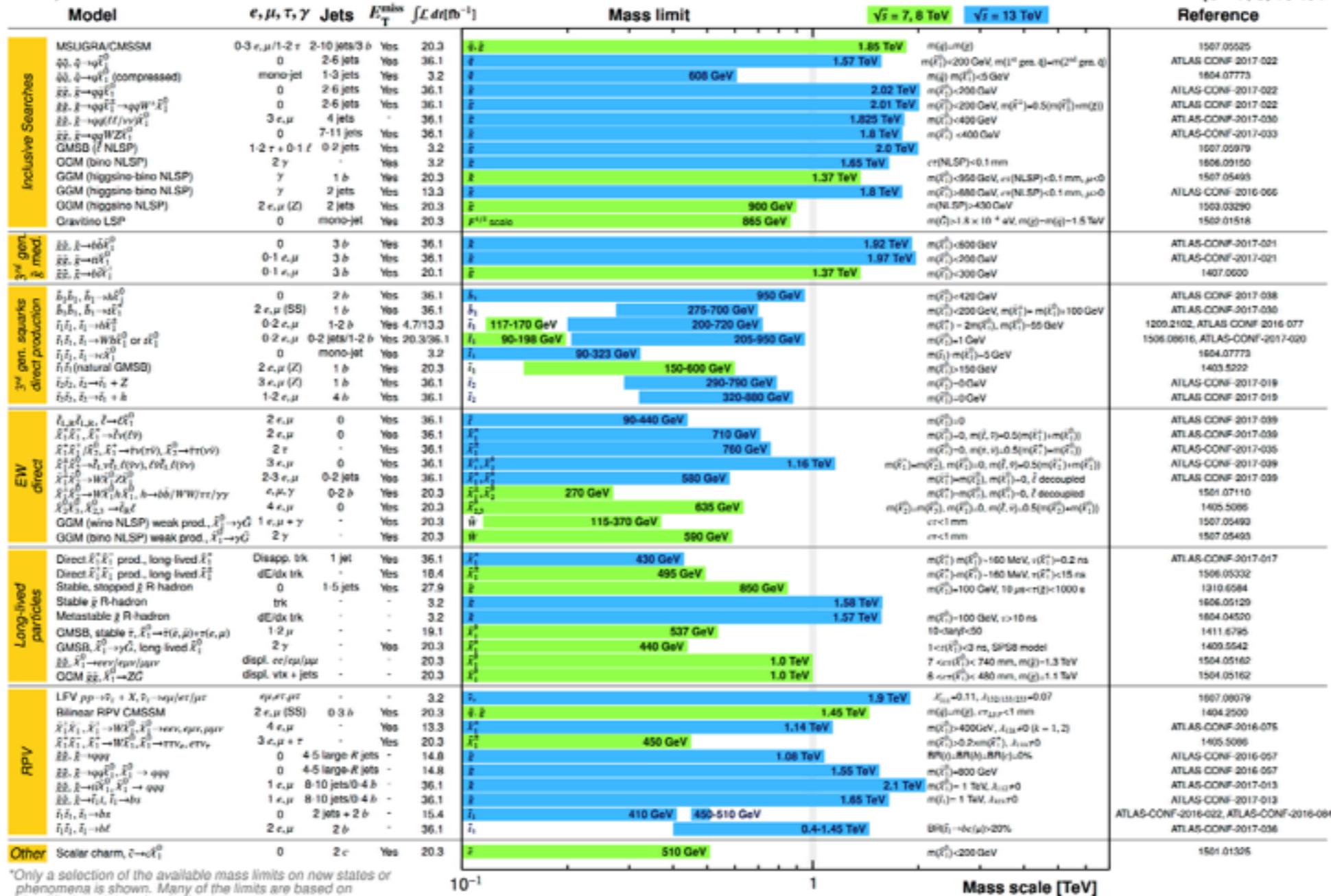
Highlights from the LHC: BSM

ATLAS SUSY Searches* - 95% CL Lower Limits

May 2017

ATLAS Preliminary

$\sqrt{s} = 7, 8, 13$ TeV



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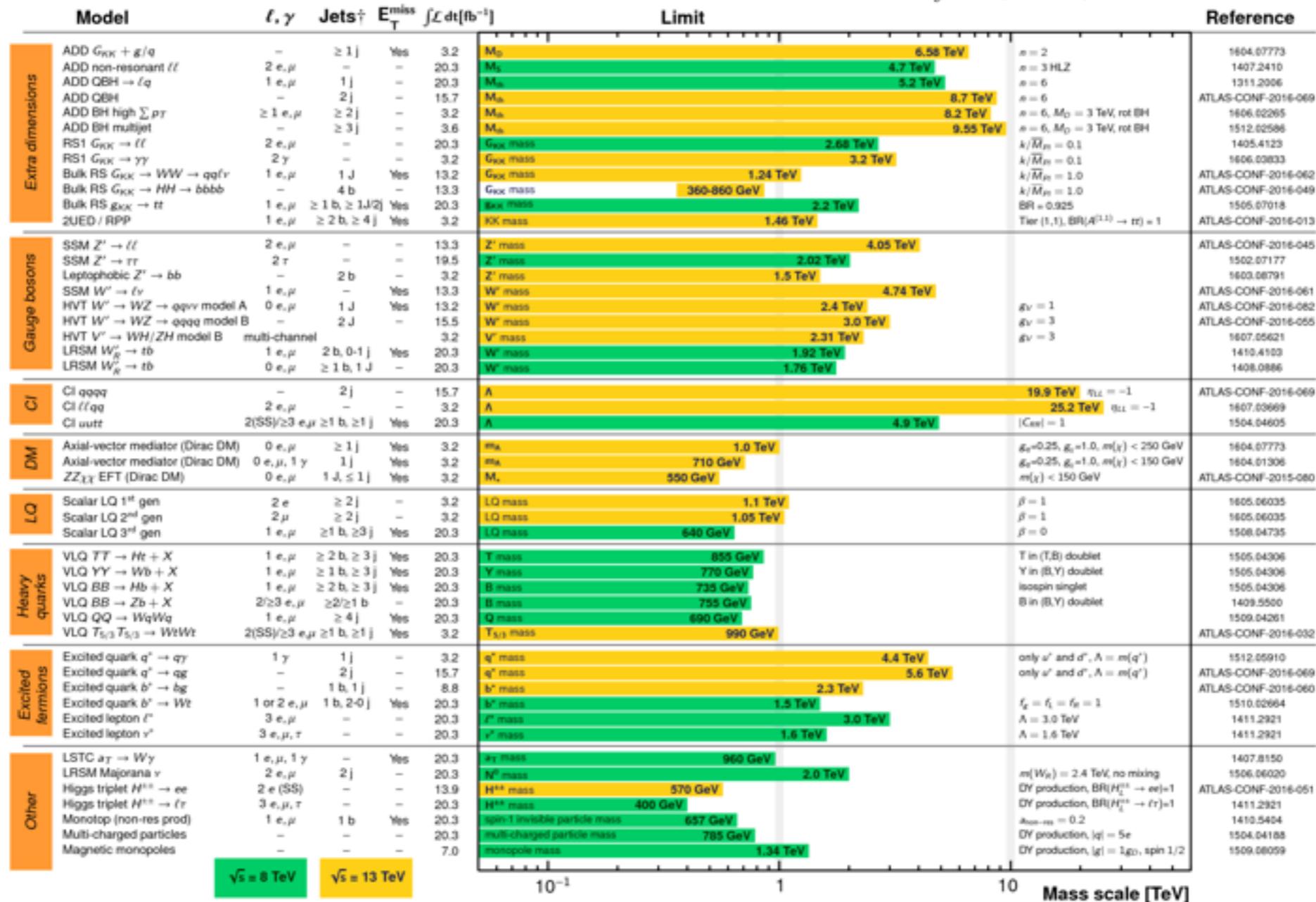
No SUSY so far. Bounds ~ 1 TeV on SUSY particle masses in many scenarios (though gaps remain).

Highlights from the LHC: EXO

ATLAS Exotics Searches* - 95% CL Exclusion
 Status: August 2016

ATLAS Preliminary

$\int \mathcal{L} dt = (3.2 - 20.3) \text{ fb}^{-1}$ $\sqrt{s} = 8, 13 \text{ TeV}$



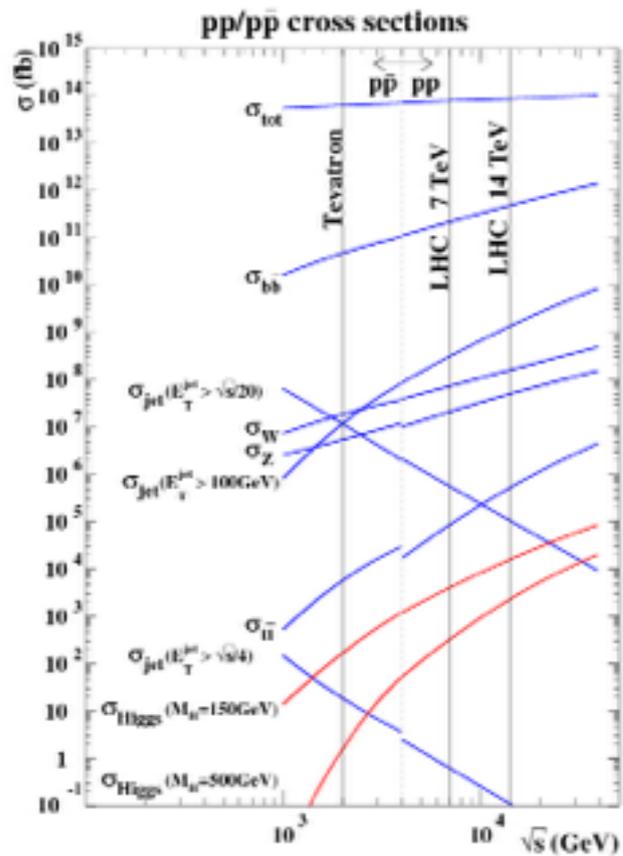
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 †Small-radius (large-radius) jets are denoted by the letter j (J).

No non-SUSY BSM so far. Bounds $\sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ on BSM particle masses in many scenarios.

Where Do We Go From Here

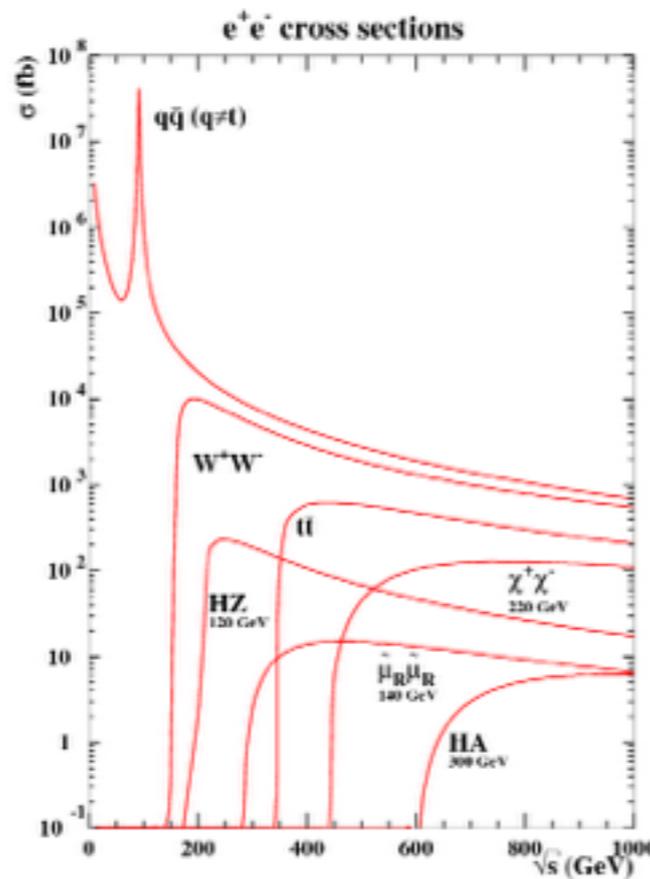
- LHC results so far suggest two approaches to pursue in our exploration of the weak scale and beyond:
 - Precision studies of the properties of the Higgs particle
 - Direct searches for new phenomena at higher energy scales than probed so far
- Both approaches have potential to discover new physics. “Which one is better” depends sensitively on the nature of new physics. The only sensible strategy is to pursue both.
- This talk will focus on the precision Higgs program, for which a 250 GeV e^+e^- collider is an ideal tool

e+e- vs. Hadron Collider



LHC: Cross Section Oligarchy - the Strong dominate the Weak

e.g. $\frac{\sigma(H)}{\sigma_{\text{total}}} \sim 10^{-10}$



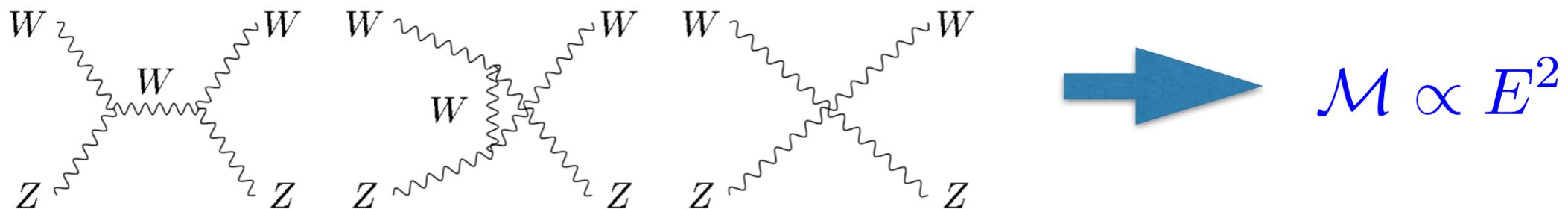
e+e-: Cross Section Democracy

$\frac{\sigma(H)}{\sigma_{\text{total}}} \sim 10^{-2}$

- Smaller Event Samples
 - ~100 M Higgses at LH-LHC (3 ab-1)
 - ~1 M Higgses at e+e- facilities
- Much better S/B
- Clean environment, no pile-up
- Well-defined initial state → no pdf uncertainties, new observables using initial-state kinematics

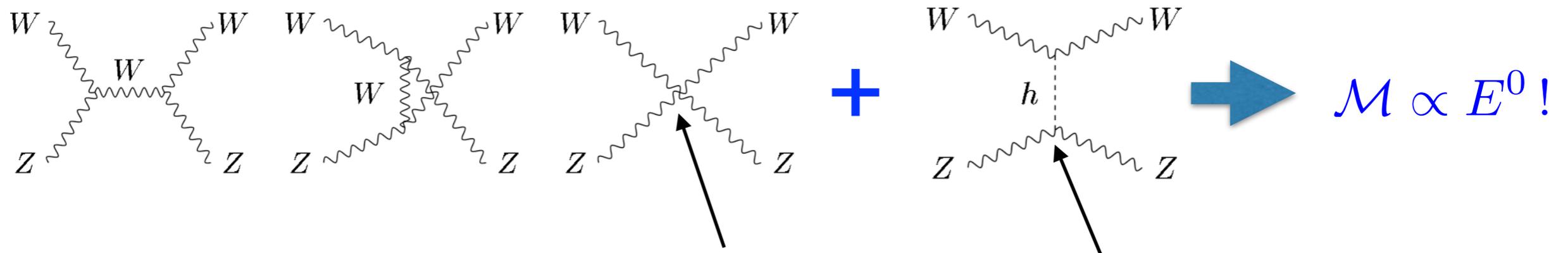
Higgs and Unitarity

- Higgs controls the fate of the Standard Model at high energies
- It is often stated that “With the discovery of the Higgs, for the first time we have a theory that can be valid up to an arbitrarily high energy scale” (or at least the Planck scale)
- As an example, consider the process $W + Z \rightarrow W + Z$
- In the SM without the Higgs, perturbative amplitude grows with energy, eventually predict $\text{Prob} > 1$ - nonsense!



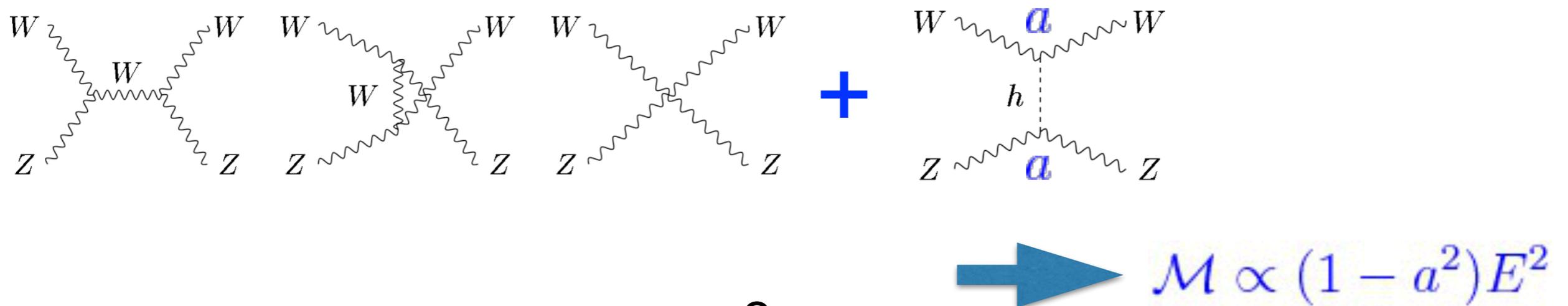
Higgs and Unitarity

- In the SM with the Higgs, the problem is fixed



Intricate cancellation between “gauge” and “Higgs” diagrams
(closely connected to Higgs’s role in generating masses)

- If the HWW coupling is not exactly SM, cancellation is spoiled:



Higgs and Unitarity

- If $a \neq 1$, the theory predicts its own demise: some new physics must save it from Prob>1, at a scale at most

$$\Lambda \sim \frac{4\pi v}{\sqrt{1-a^2}}$$

- This occurs for example in theories where Higgs is a bound state of more fundamental particles, w/size $r_h \sim 4\pi/\Lambda$
- Precision measurement of Higgs couplings provides a unique window into the fate of the SM at high energies:

$$\Delta g(hWW) = 10\% \quad \longrightarrow \quad \Lambda \sim 8 \text{ TeV}$$

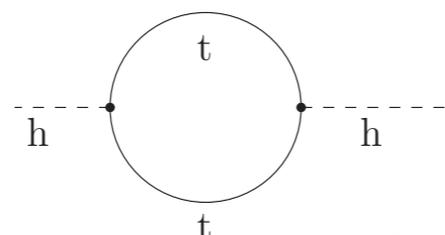
$$\Delta g(hWW) = 1\% \quad \longrightarrow \quad \Lambda \sim 23 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\Delta g(hWW) = 0.3\% \quad \longrightarrow \quad \Lambda \sim 42 \text{ TeV}$$

Well above direct reach of the LHC!

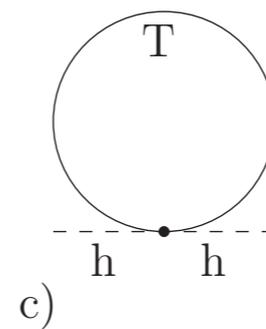
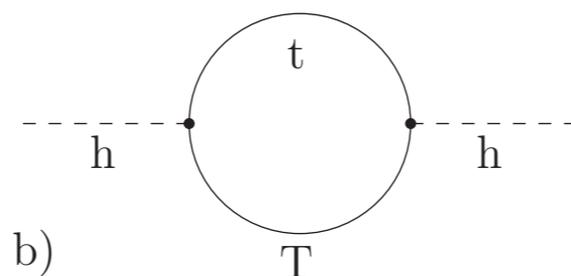
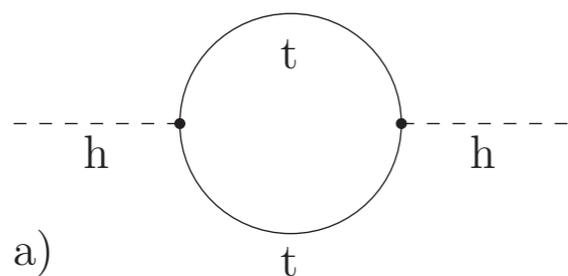
The Spin-less Higgs

- In the SM, the Higgs is a spin-0, elementary particle; LHC data is consistent with this hypothesis
- No other spin-0, elementary particles have been seen so far
- In the SM, its existence is a mystery. Suppose there is such a particle. We can estimate its mass:



$$m_h \sim M_{Pl}$$

- New physics models: Supersymmetry, Little Higgs, ...

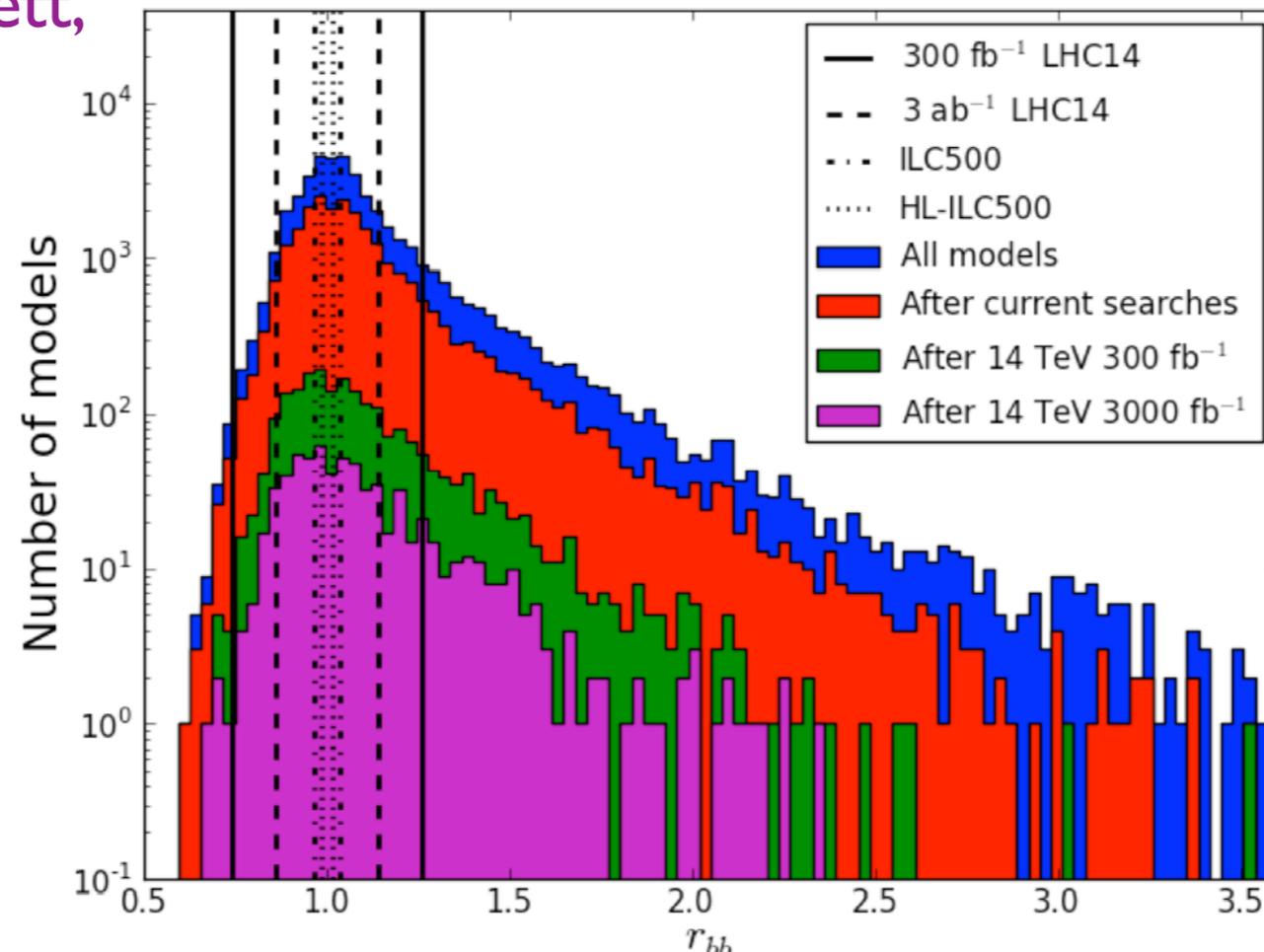


$$m_h \sim M_{new}$$

- The “Naturalness Mystery” remains unresolved. Precision Higgs studies may provide the crucial hint.

Supersymmetry

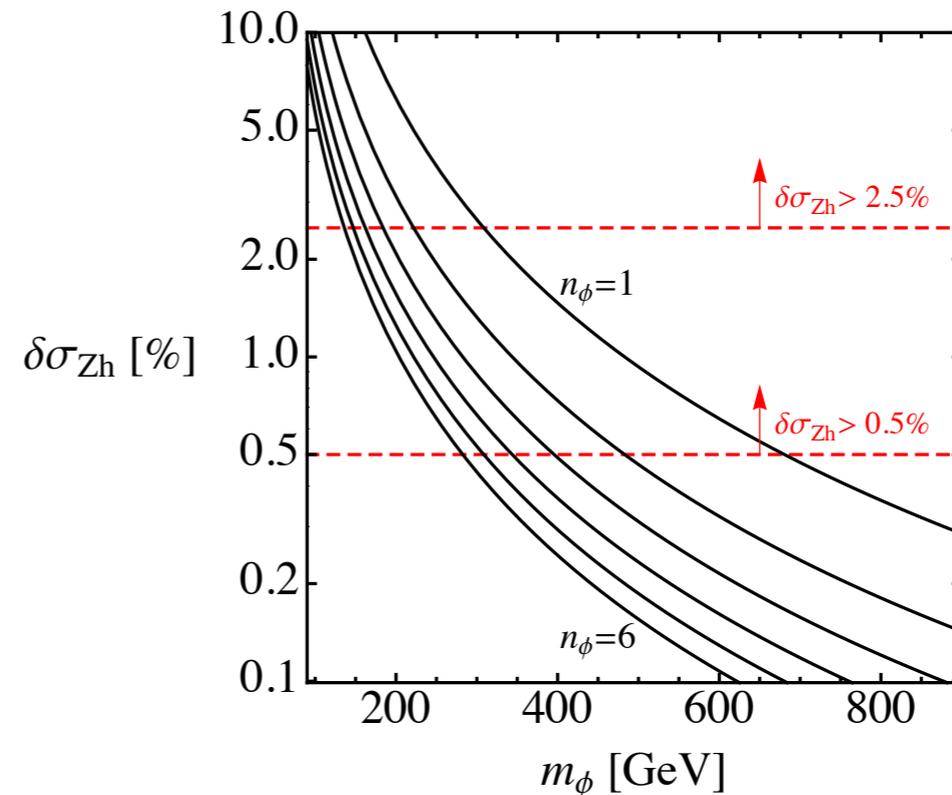
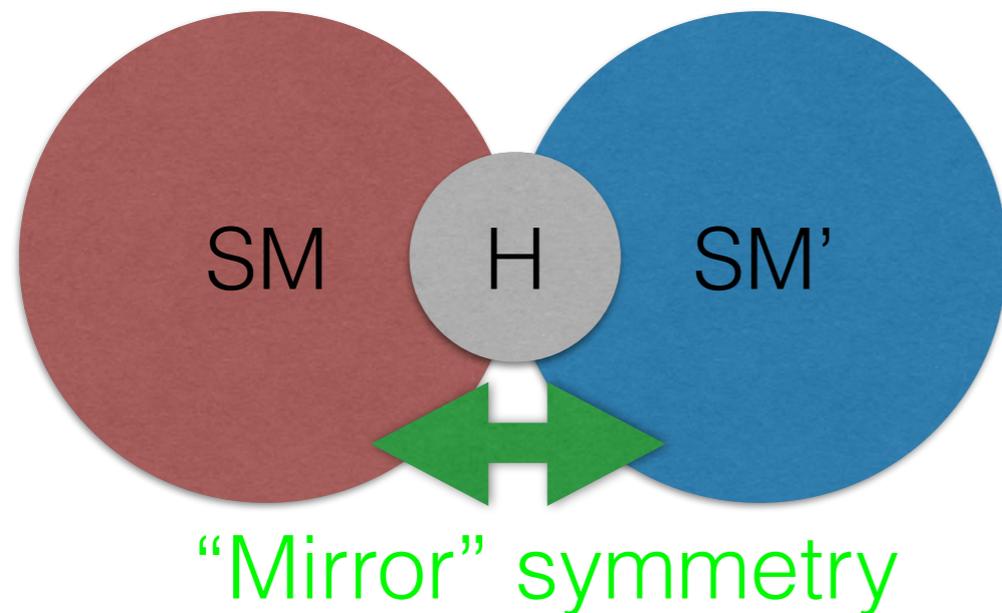
[Cahill-Rowley, Hewett, Ismail, Rizzo]



- SUSY has a vast parameter space
- Observable deviations in Higgs couplings are possible even if direct searches for superpartners make no discovery, even at HL-LHC
- Direct and Higgs coupling searches seem “orthogonal”

Neutral Naturalness

[Chacko, Goh, Harnik]

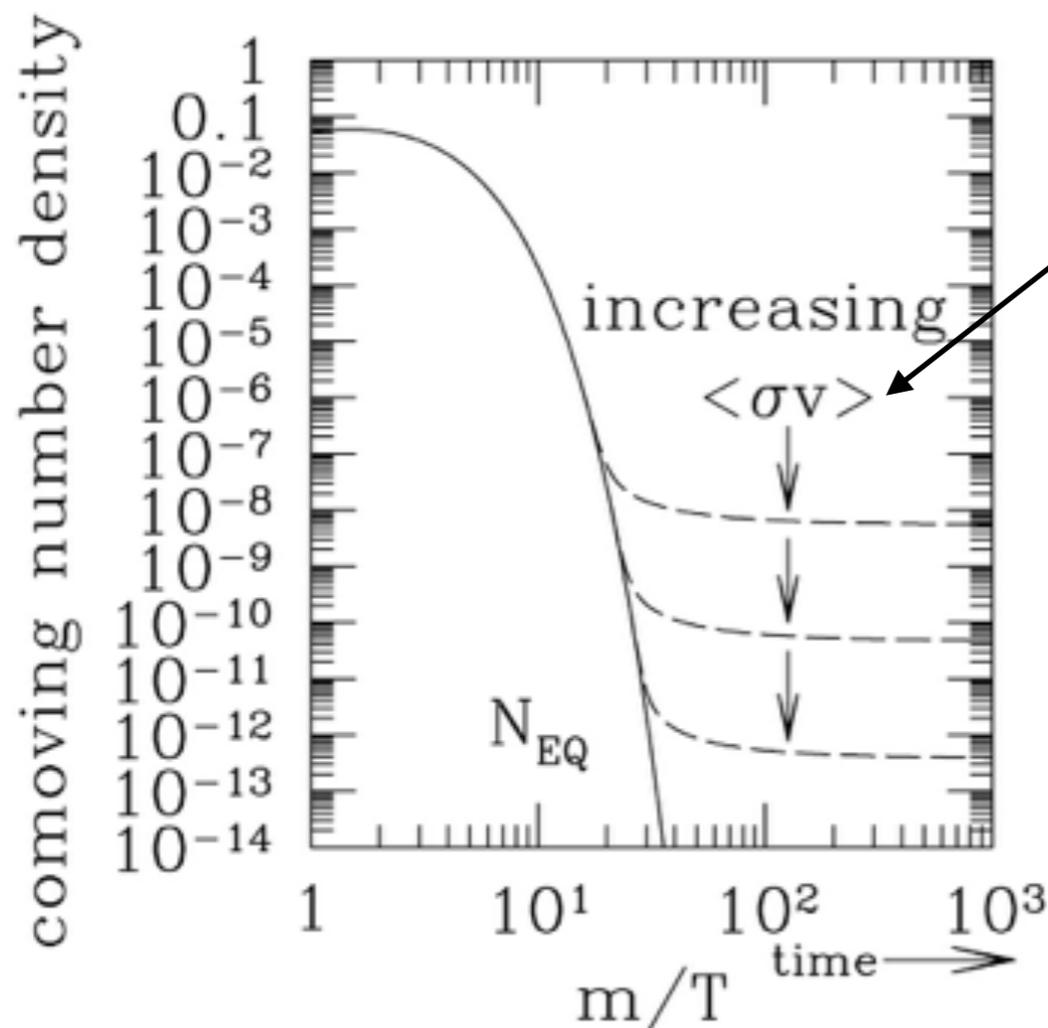


[Craig, Englert, McCullough]

- It is possible that the “partners” that stabilize the Higgs have no SM gauge charges (color, weak, or EM)
- Such partners are completely invisible to the LHC
- However they must couple to the Higgs → potentially observable in precision Higgs studies

Dark Sectors

- “Dark Sectors” are field(s) with no SM gauge charges
- Dark Matter may be part of the Dark Sector
- Example: Strongly-Interacting Massive Particle (SIMP)



WIMPs: $\chi\chi \rightarrow e^+e^-$

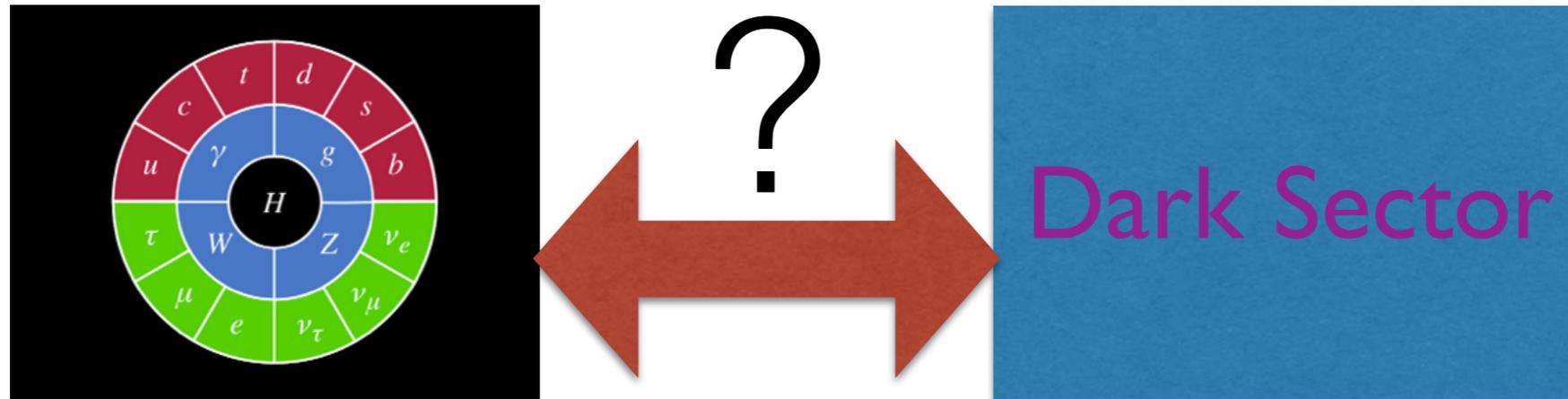
SIMPs: $\chi\chi\chi \rightarrow \chi\chi$

“SIMP Miracle”: correct relic density for $m_\chi \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$

SIMPs can be mesons of “Dark QCD”. Expect rich spectrum of Dark states at $\sim \text{GeV}$

[Hochberg, Kuflik, Volansky, Wacker, Murayama]

Higgs as a Portal



“visible sector”

- How can dark-sector fields interact with the SM? Not so easy: most gauge-invariant interactions must be suppressed (“non-renormalizable”)
- In fact, only three unsuppressed interaction terms possible:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\frac{\epsilon}{2 \cos \theta_W} B_{\mu\nu} F'^{\mu\nu}, \\
 & (\mu\phi + \lambda\phi^2) H^\dagger H, \\
 & y_n L H N,
 \end{aligned}$$

vector portal

Higgs portal

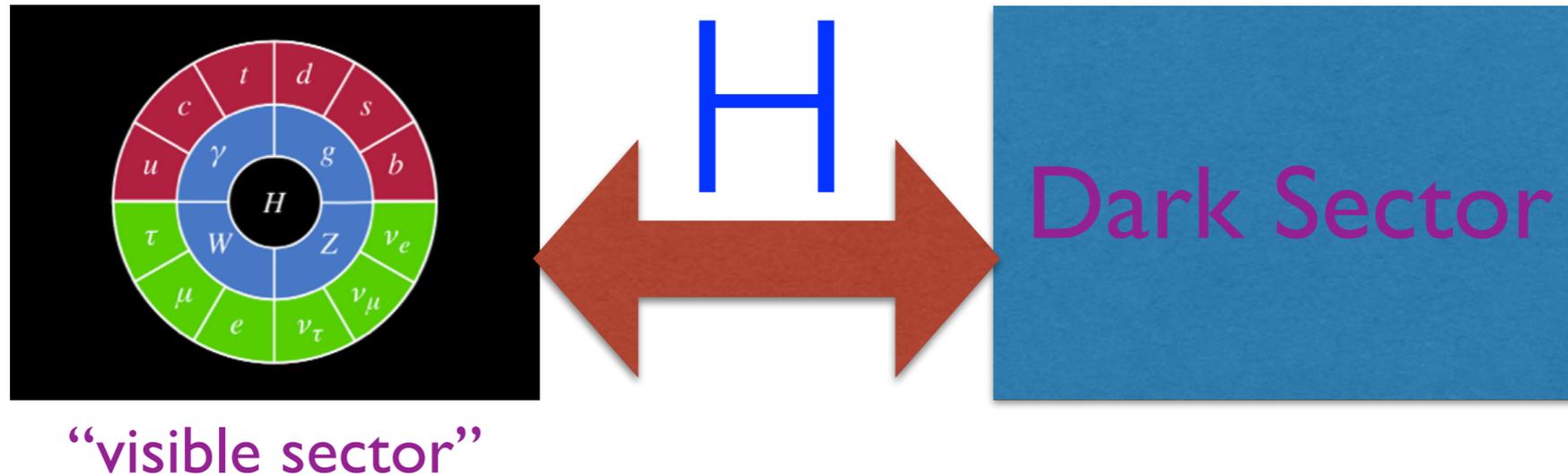
neutrino portal

Dark Photon searches

Precision Higgs

Neutrino program

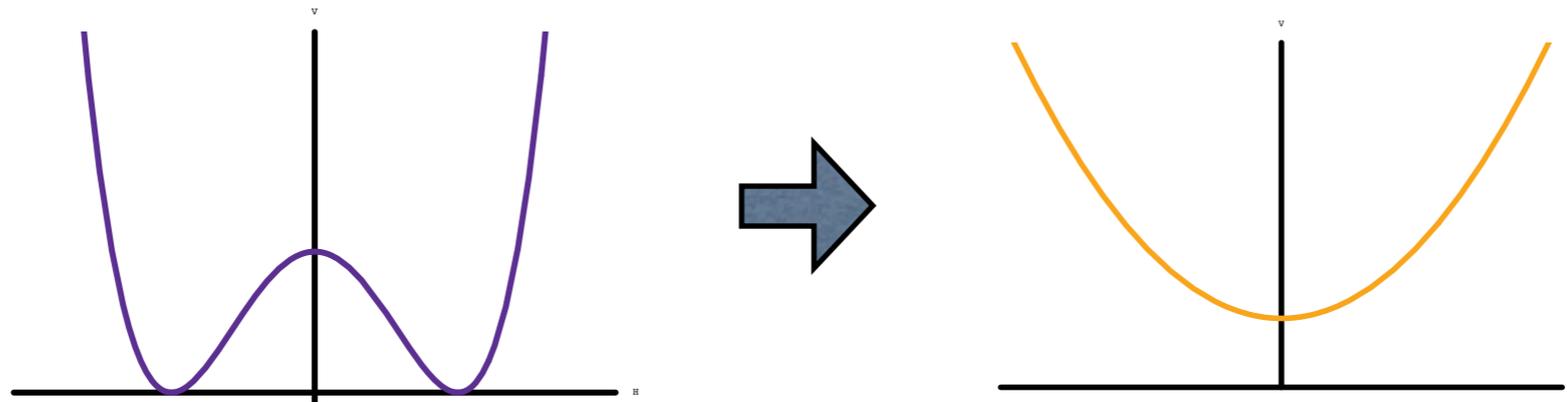
Higgs as a Portal



- Light (even $< \text{GeV}$) DS particles are allowed thanks to their weak interactions with quarks, leptons
- Higgs decays to dark sector particles (e.g. $h \rightarrow SS$) may be a unique opportunity to produce them!
- Simplest scenario: $h \rightarrow (\text{invisible})$
- But it is also possible that DS particles decay back to the SM \rightarrow exotic Higgs decays (more later!)

Electroweak Phase Transition

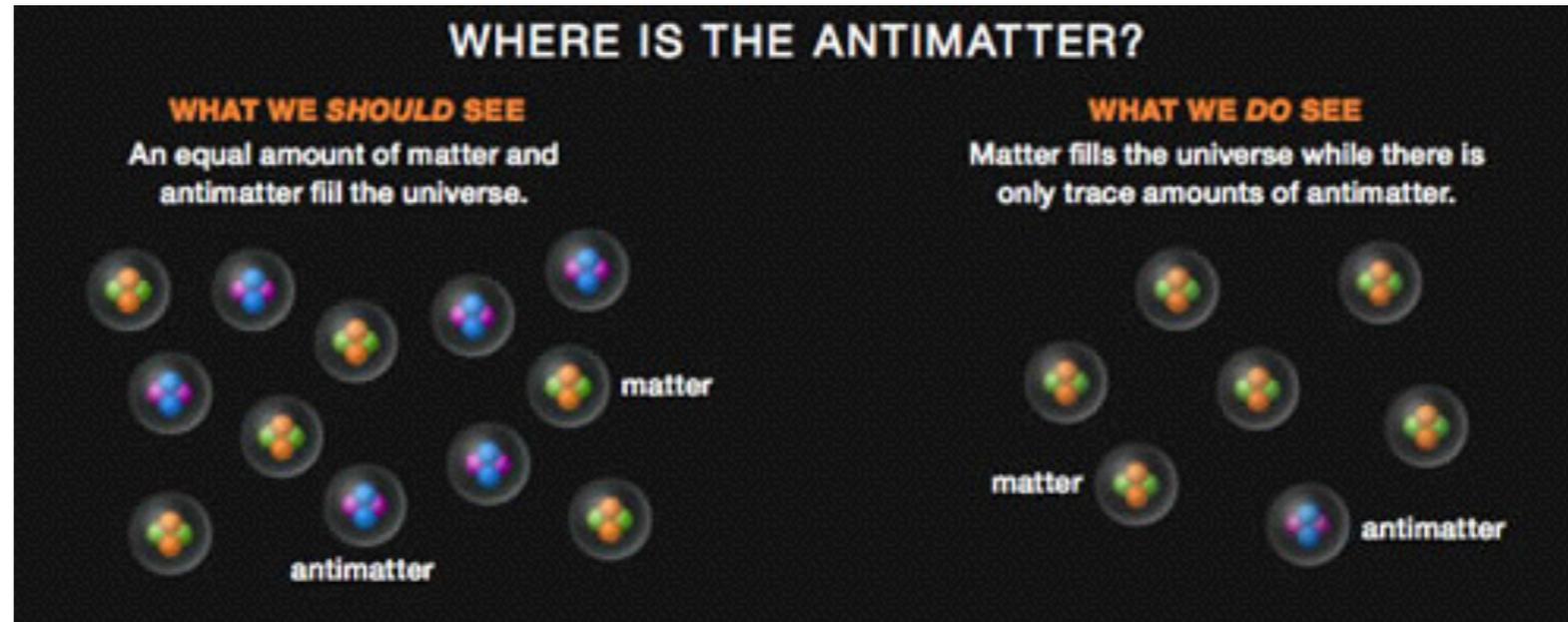
- Higgs boson moving through a plasma of quarks acquires a “thermal mass” (much like photon “plasma mass”)
- At high plasma densities, EW symmetry is unbroken!



- Right after the Big Bang, the Universe was filled with dense quark plasma, was in unbroken EW phase
- As the Universe expanded and cooled, phase transition to current phase with broken symmetry - EWPT

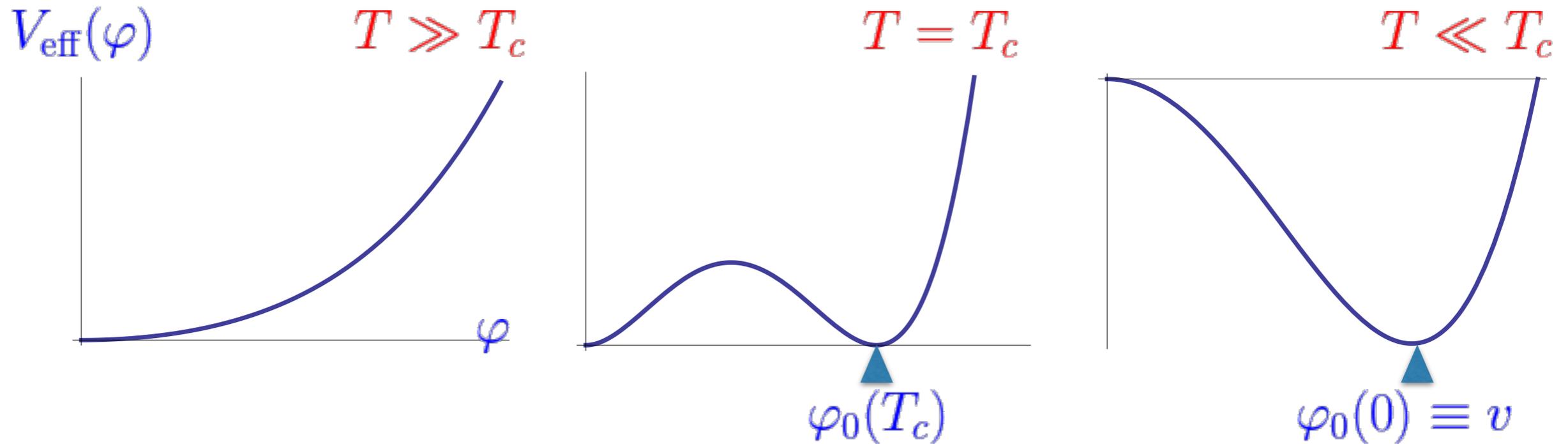
$$kT \sim 100 - 1000 \text{ GeV}, \quad T \sim 10^{15} \text{ K}, \quad t \sim 10^{-10} \text{ sec}$$

EWPT and “Baryogenesis”



- It is believed that the observed matter-antimatter asymmetry arose **dynamically**, very soon (**< 1 sec**) after the Big Bang
- Many mechanisms proposed; one of the most theoretically attractive is **“Electroweak Baryogenesis”**, in which the asymmetry is generated during the EWPT
- It only works if transition is **1-st order** (out-of-equilibrium)

First-Order EWPT



- In a 1st-order transition, bubbles of broken (“our”) phase are nucleated inside the unbroken-EW phase
- Non-equilibrium process \rightarrow satisfies one of the famous “Sakharov conditions” for generating matter-antimatter asymmetry

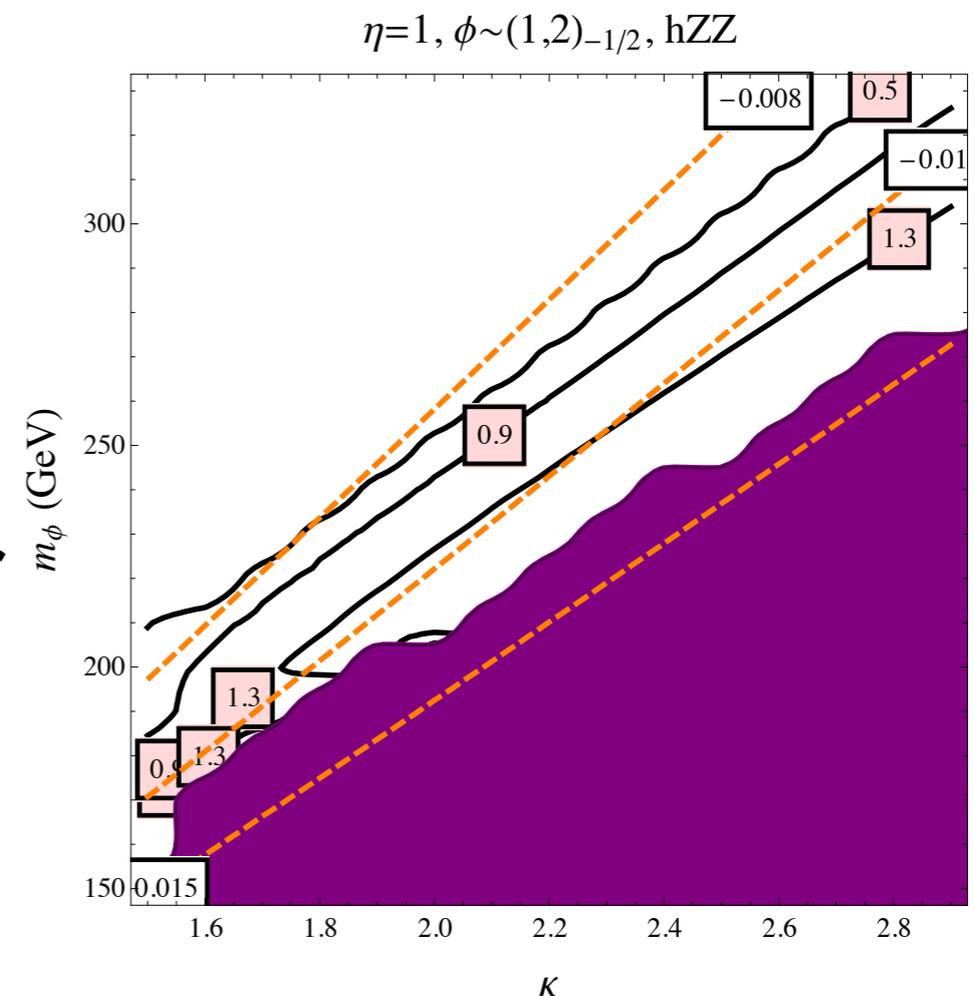


EWPT and Higgs Couplings

[A. Katz, MP]

- In the SM, EWPT is 2nd-order →
no EW Baryogenesis
- New particles, coupled to Higgs, may change the dynamics and re-open the window for EW Baryogenesis
- (Almost) all models with 1st order transition predict a large shift in Higgs self-coupling
- However, in many models the Higgs couplings to gluons, photon, W/Z are also shifted at 1-5%

Example: “LH Stau” model



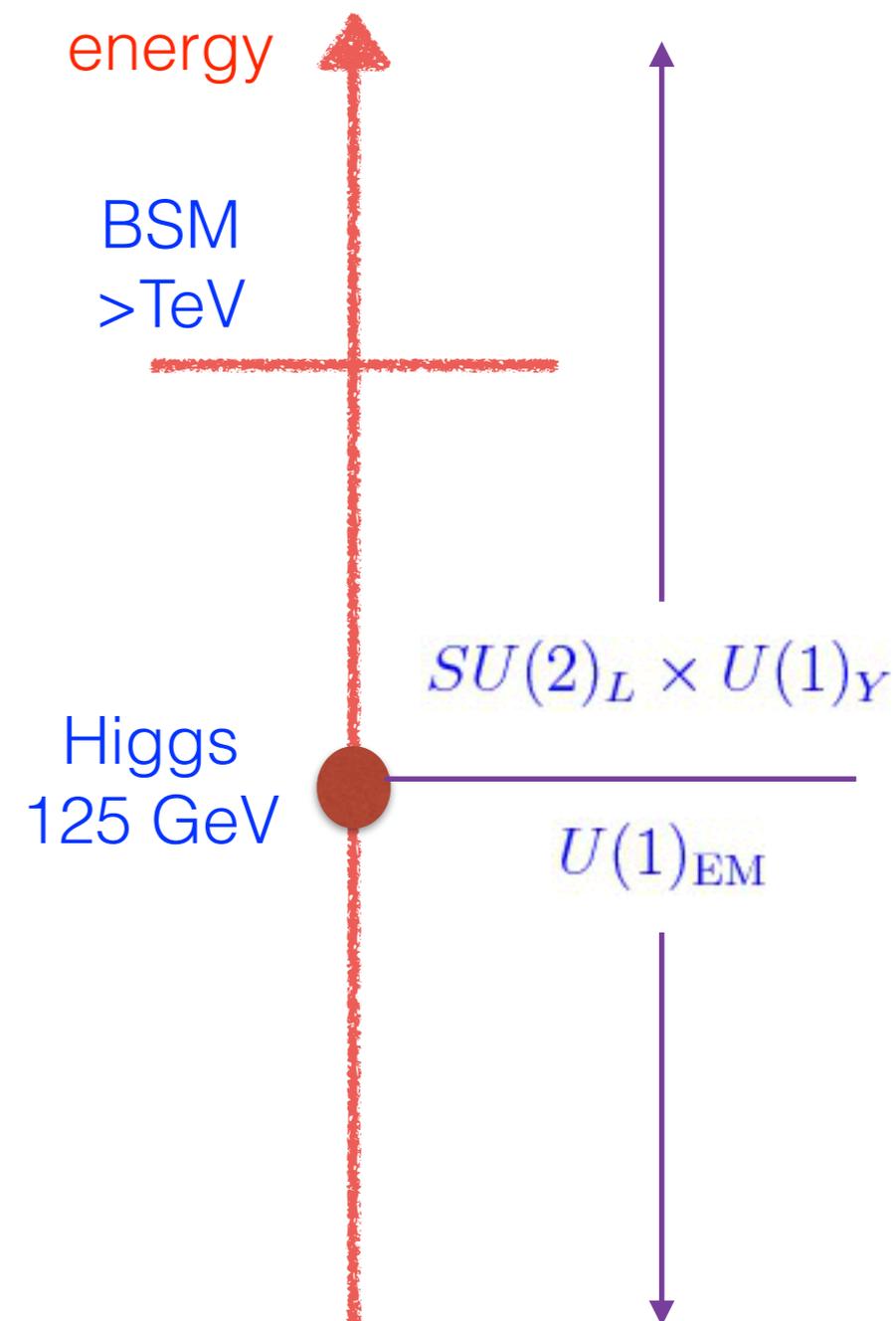
Learn about
Universe at ~ 1 ns
after Big Bang!

Higgs Effective Field Theory

- LHC results strongly suggest that there is a significant mass gap between the Higgs and BSM particles
- In this situation, BSM corrections to Higgs properties are parametrically small:

$$\delta O \sim m_h^2 / M_{\text{BSM}}^2$$

- Moreover, BSM physics must respect the full gauge symmetry of the SM
- Effective Field Theory (EFT) gives a systematic way to parametrize correction to Higgs properties under these conditions, by adding “effective operator” terms to the SM Lagrangian



Higgs Effective Field Theory

- At leading order there are 10 new operators relevant for precision Higgs program

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \Delta\mathcal{L}$$

$$\Delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{c_H}{2v^2} \partial^\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) \partial_\mu (\Phi^\dagger \Phi) + \frac{c_T}{2v^2} (\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu \Phi) (\Phi^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \Phi) - \frac{c_6 \lambda}{6} (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^3 + \dots$$
$$+ \frac{g^2 c_{WW}}{m_W^2} \Phi^\dagger \Phi W_{\mu\nu}^a W^{a\mu\nu} + \frac{4gg' c_{WB}}{m_W^2} \Phi^\dagger t^a \Phi W_{\mu\nu}^a B^{\mu\nu}$$

- Any new physics model (with mass gap) corresponds to a particular set of coefficients c_i
- All Higgs observables (as well as Precision Electroweak, etc.) can be expressed in terms of c_i
- “Measure Higgs couplings” = Determine c_i from data

EFT Coupling Fit

[talk by M. Peskin at this workshop]

Improved Formalism for Precision Higgs Coupling Fits

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JAIYIN GU, SUNGHOON JUNG, ROBERT KARL, JENNY LIST, TOMOHISA OGAWA,
MICHAEL E. PESKIN, JUNPING TIAN, AND KECHEN WANG

- Global 20-parameter fit based on EFT formalism:
 - Precision electroweak data (current)
 - From HL-LHC (projected): $BR(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)/BR(h \rightarrow ZZ)$
 - From future e^+e^- collider (projected): $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$
- + HIGGS DATA**

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[Barklow et.al., to appear]

Errors in %	ILC-250 2 ab ⁻¹ w. pol.	“CLIC” 2 ab ⁻¹ 380 GeV	“CEPC” 5 ab ⁻¹ no pol.	“FCC-ee” 10 ab ⁻¹ no pol.	full ILC 250+500 GeV
$g(hb\bar{b})$	1.5	1.2	1.1	0.8	0.6
$g(hc\bar{c})$	2.1	3.7	1.5	1.1	1.1
$g(hgg)$	1.9	2.0	1.4	1.0	0.9
$g(hWW)$	1.0	0.53	0.8	0.6	0.31
$g(h\tau\tau)$	1.6	2.0	1.2	0.9	0.8
$g(hZZ)$	1.0	0.53	0.8	0.64	0.31
$g(h\mu\mu)$	14	11	9.0	6.4	8.6
$g(hb\bar{b})/g(hWW)$	1.1	1.2	0.8	0.6	0.5
$g(hWW)/g(hZZ)$	0.033	0.029	0.036	0.03	0.02
Γ_h	3.1	2.6	2.3	1.8	1.5
$\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow Zh)$	0.70	0.56	0.49	0.34	0.56
$BR(h \rightarrow inv)$	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.3
$BR(h \rightarrow other)$	1.6	1.4	1.2	0.8	1.1

EFT Coupling Fit

- An interesting example is couplings to W/Z bosons

$$\mathcal{L} = (1 + \eta_Z) \frac{2m_Z^2}{v} h Z_\mu Z^\mu + \zeta_Z Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu} +$$

$$(1 + \eta_W) \frac{2m_W^2}{v} h W_\mu W^\mu + \zeta_W W_{\mu\nu} W^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\eta_W = -\frac{1}{2} c_H \quad \eta_Z = -\frac{1}{2} c_H \left(-c_T \right) \lll \text{from PEW}$$

$$\zeta_W = (8c_{WW})$$

$$\zeta_Z = c_w^2 (8c_{WW}) + 2s_w^2 (8c_{WB}) + (s_w^4/c_w^2) (8c_{BB})$$

- Compare this to the usual “kappa framework”:

$$\mathcal{L} = \kappa_Z \frac{2m_Z^2}{v} h Z_\mu Z^\mu + \kappa_W \frac{2m_W^2}{v} h W_\mu W^\mu$$

- HEFT relates W and Z couplings, but introduces additional spin structure

EFT Coupling Fit

- Polarized beams play a crucial role in disentangling the two spin structures

$$\sigma = \frac{2}{3} \frac{\pi \alpha_w^2}{c_w^4} \frac{m_Z^2}{(s - m_Z^2)} \frac{2k_Z}{\sqrt{s}} \left(2 + \frac{E_Z^2}{m_Z^2}\right) \cdot Q_Z^2 \cdot \left[1 + 2a + 2 \frac{3\sqrt{s}E_Z/m_Z^2}{(2 + E_Z^2/m_Z^2)} b\right]$$

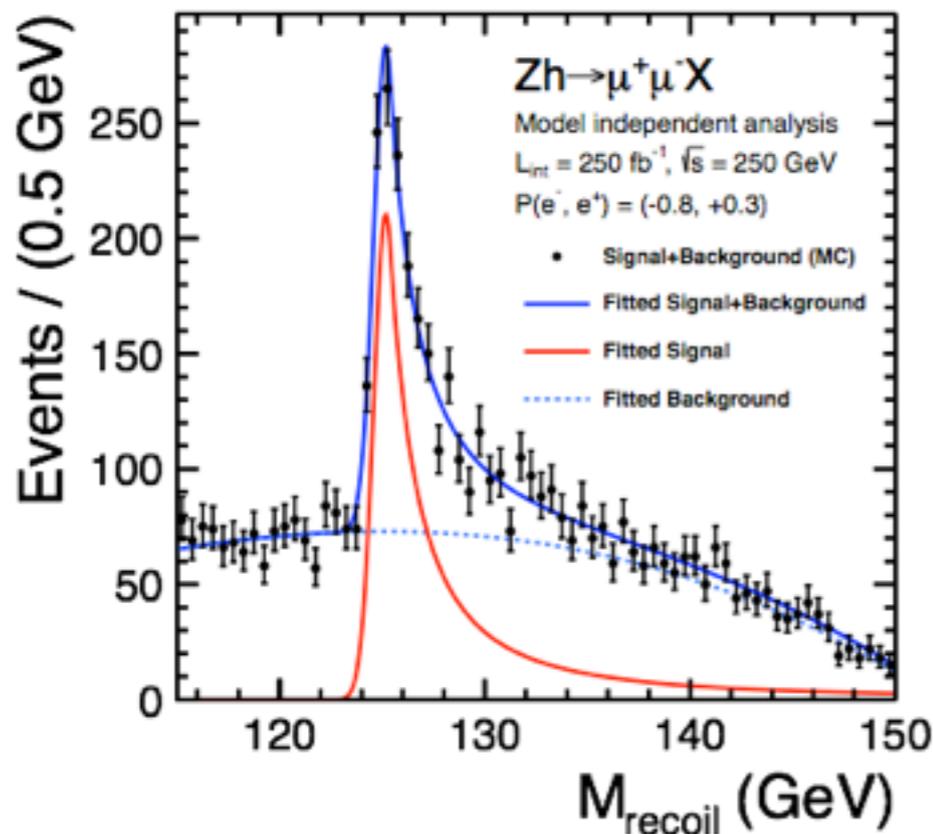
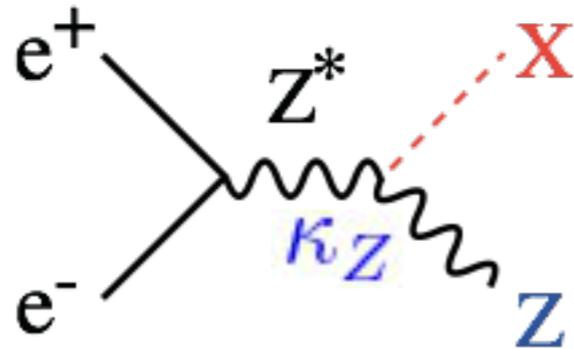
The **a** and **b** coefficients depend on beam polarization:

$$e_L^- e_R^+ \quad \begin{aligned} Q_{ZL} &= \left(\frac{1}{2} - s_w^2\right), & a_L &= -c_H \\ b_L &= c_w^2 \left(1 + \frac{s_w^2}{1/2 - s_w^2} \frac{s - m_Z^2}{s}\right) (8c_{WW}) \end{aligned}$$

$$e_R^- e_L^+ \quad \begin{aligned} Q_{ZR} &= (-s_w^2), & a_R &= -c_H \\ b_R &= c_w^2 \left(1 - \frac{s - m_Z^2}{s}\right) (8c_{WW}) \end{aligned}$$

- Angular distributions in $e^+e^- \rightarrow hZ$ can also be used, but have weaker analyzing power and require more luminosity to achieve the same result

Total Higgs Width



[Li et.al. (ILD Collaboration)]

- Total Higgs width is too small (4 MeV) to be measured directly. Required to infer couplings from measured rates.
- Identify Zh events by reconstructing recoil mass $M_X^2 = (p_{CM} - (p_{\ell^+} + p_{\ell^-}))^2$
- No observation of the Higgs is needed \Rightarrow unbiased, **model-independent** measurement of cross section
- Infer κ_Z from cross-section, use it to calculate partial width
- Infer total width: $R(ZZ^*) \propto \frac{\Gamma(h \rightarrow ZZ^*)}{\Gamma_{tot}}$

Total Higgs Width in EFT

- However, $\text{Br}(h \rightarrow ZZ^*) \simeq 2.5\%$. The total width measurement is statistically limited.
- In the “kappa framework”, this limits the power of a 250 GeV collider. With 2 ab⁻¹, errors on all couplings are ~3.5%, dominated by total width error. Studying W-fusion production at 500 GeV is necessary to get to ~1%.
- In the HEFT framework, W and Z couplings are not independent: they are related by the Electroweak symmetry.
- The total width can then be inferred from WW final state, for which the rate is about 8 times larger than ZZ. 1% error can be achieved with 250 GeV data alone.
- In discussions of staging options, optimization may depend on underlying theoretical framework.

Discovery Potential

[talk by M. Peskin at this workshop]

[Barklow et.al., to appear]

- Can $\sim 1\%$ level Higgs coupling measurements discover new physics not already seen at the LHC?
- Selection of 9 models with all new particles outside of projected reach of direct searches at HL-LHC

Model	$b\bar{b}$	$c\bar{c}$	gg	WW	$\tau\tau$	ZZ	$\gamma\gamma$	$\mu\mu$
1 MSSM [34]	+4.8	-0.8	-0.8	-0.2	+0.4	-0.5	+0.1	+0.3
2 Type II 2HD [36]	+10.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	+9.8	0.0	+0.1	+9.8
3 Type X 2HD [36]	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	+7.8	0.0	0.0	+7.8
4 Type Y 2HD [36]	+10.1	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.0	0.1	-0.2
5 Composite Higgs [38]	-6.4	-6.4	-6.4	-2.1	-6.4	-2.1	-2.1	-6.4
6 Little Higgs w. T-parity [39]	0.0	0.0	-6.1	-2.5	0.0	-2.5	-1.5	0.0
7 Little Higgs w. T-parity [40]	-7.8	-4.6	-3.5	-1.5	-7.8	-1.5	-1.0	-7.8
8 Higgs-Radion [41]	-1.5	-1.5	10.	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.0	-1.5
9 Higgs Singlet [42]	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5

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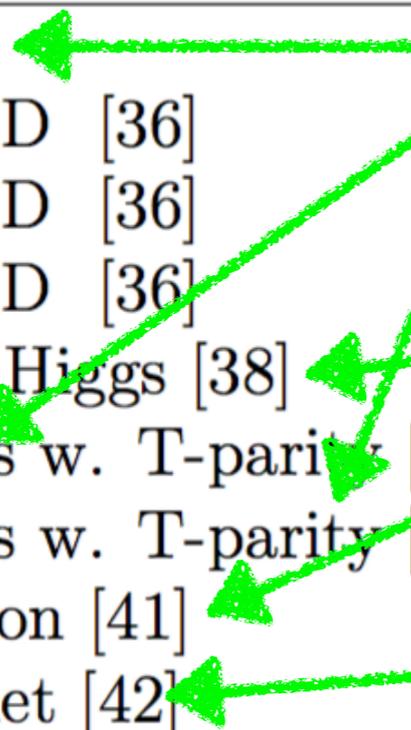
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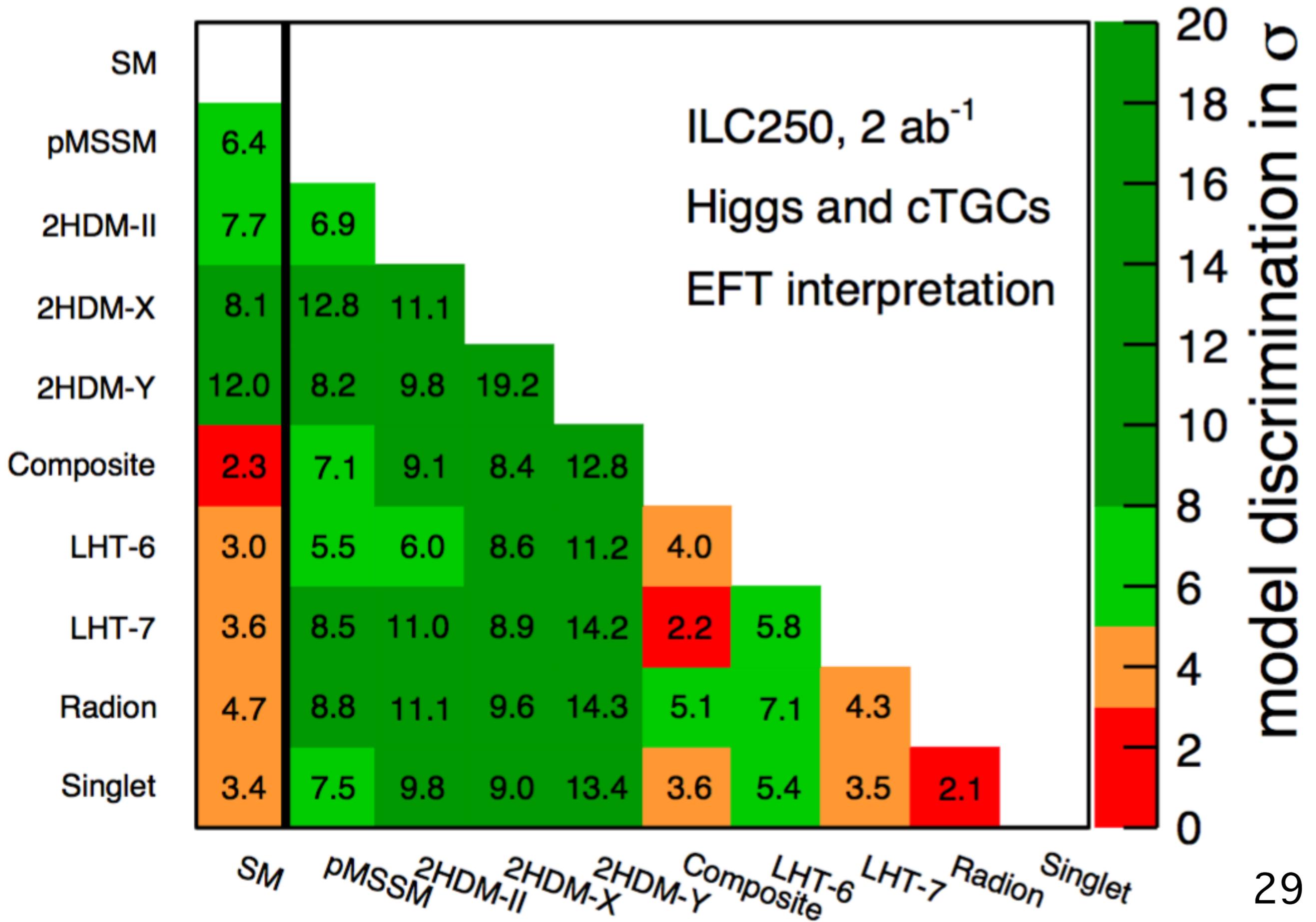
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4 Type Y 2HD [36]	+10.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	0.0	0.1	-0.2
5 Composite Higgs [38]	-6.4	-6.4	-6.4	-2.1	-6.4	-2.1	-2.1	-6.4
6 Little Higgs w. T-parity [39]	0.0	0.0	-6.1	-2.5	0.0	-2.5	-1.5	0.0
7 Little Higgs w. T-parity [40]	-7.8	-4.6	-3.5	-1.5	-7.8	-1.5	-1.0	-7.8
8 Higgs-Radion [41]	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.0	-1.5
9 Higgs Singlet [42]	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5

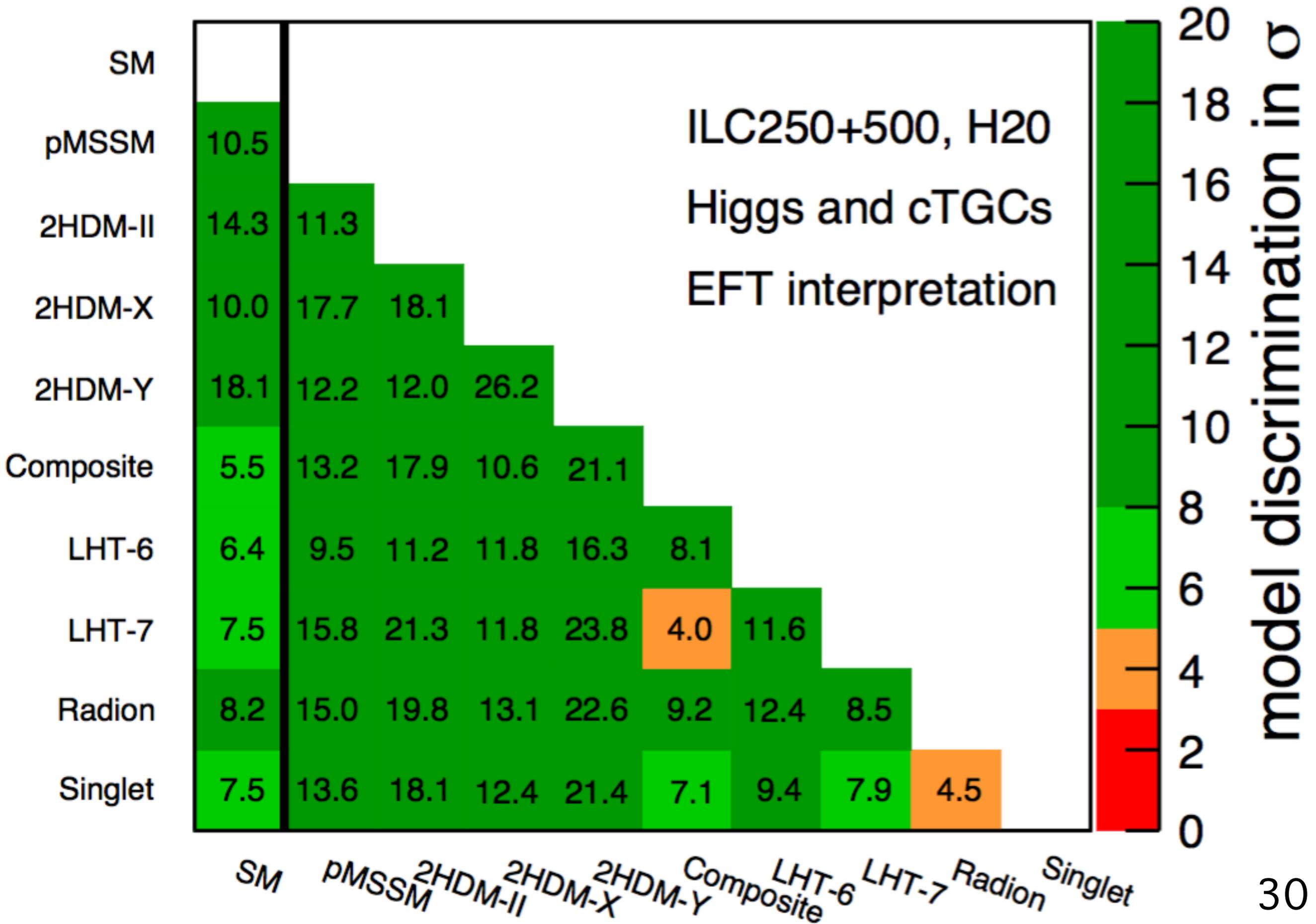
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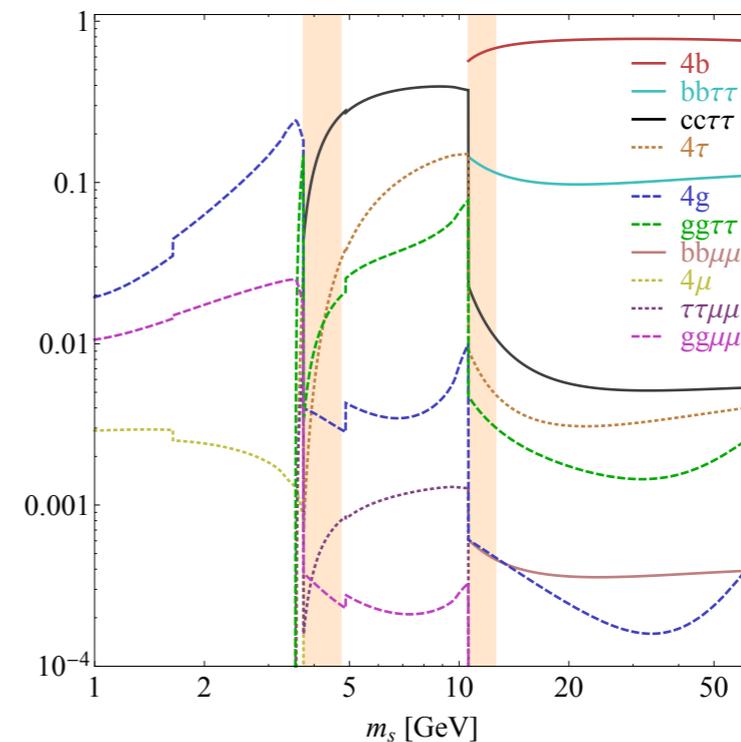
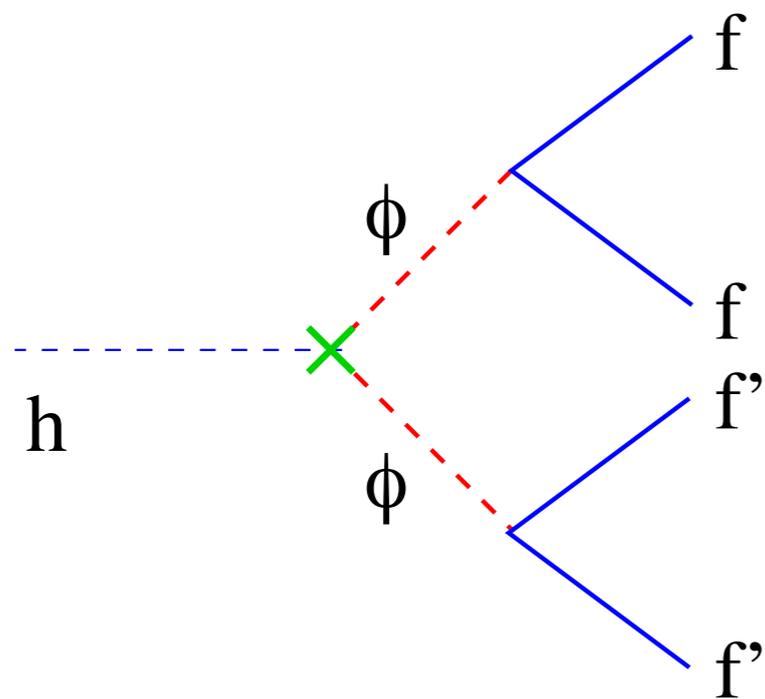






Exotic Higgs Decays

- Higgs decays may provide the only sizable production mechanism for Dark Sector states: $h \rightarrow \phi\phi$
- However the fate of ϕ is uncertain. Even very small coupling will make it decay to SM fermions if no other channel is open.
- Final states are highly model-dependent, depending on both mass and couplings

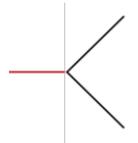
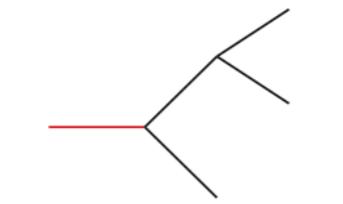
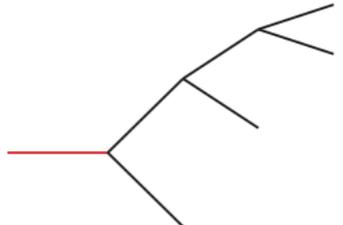
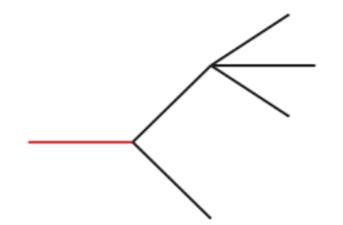
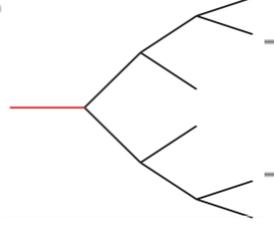
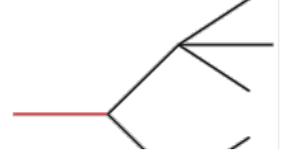


$$\text{BR}(\phi\phi \rightarrow (f\bar{f})(f'\bar{f}'))$$

Example: $\Gamma(\phi \rightarrow f\bar{f}) \propto m_f^2$ from Higgs mixing.

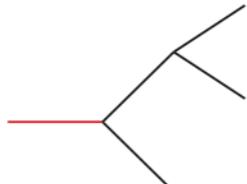
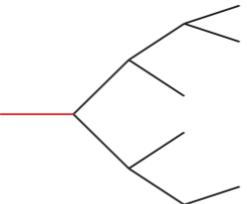
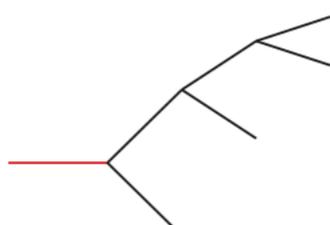
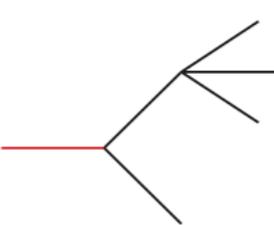
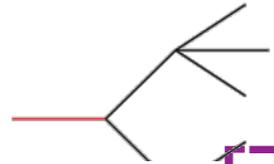
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$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4$	$h \rightarrow (b\bar{b}) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (jj) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\gamma\gamma) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\mu^+\mu^-) + \cancel{E}_T$		$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 6$
$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow (1+3)$	$h \rightarrow b\bar{b} + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow jj + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^- + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^- + \cancel{E}_T$		$h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-)(\ell^+\ell^-) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-) + \cancel{E}_T + X$
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	$h \rightarrow (jj) + \cancel{E}_T$		$h \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-)(\tau^+\tau^-)$	
	$h \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-) + \cancel{E}_T$		$h \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-)(\mu^+\mu^-)$	
	$h \rightarrow (\gamma\gamma) + \cancel{E}_T$		$h \rightarrow (jj)(jj)$	
	$h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-) + \cancel{E}_T$		$h \rightarrow (jj)(\gamma\gamma)$	
	$h \rightarrow (\mu^+\mu^-) + \cancel{E}_T$		$h \rightarrow (jj)(\mu^+\mu^-)$	
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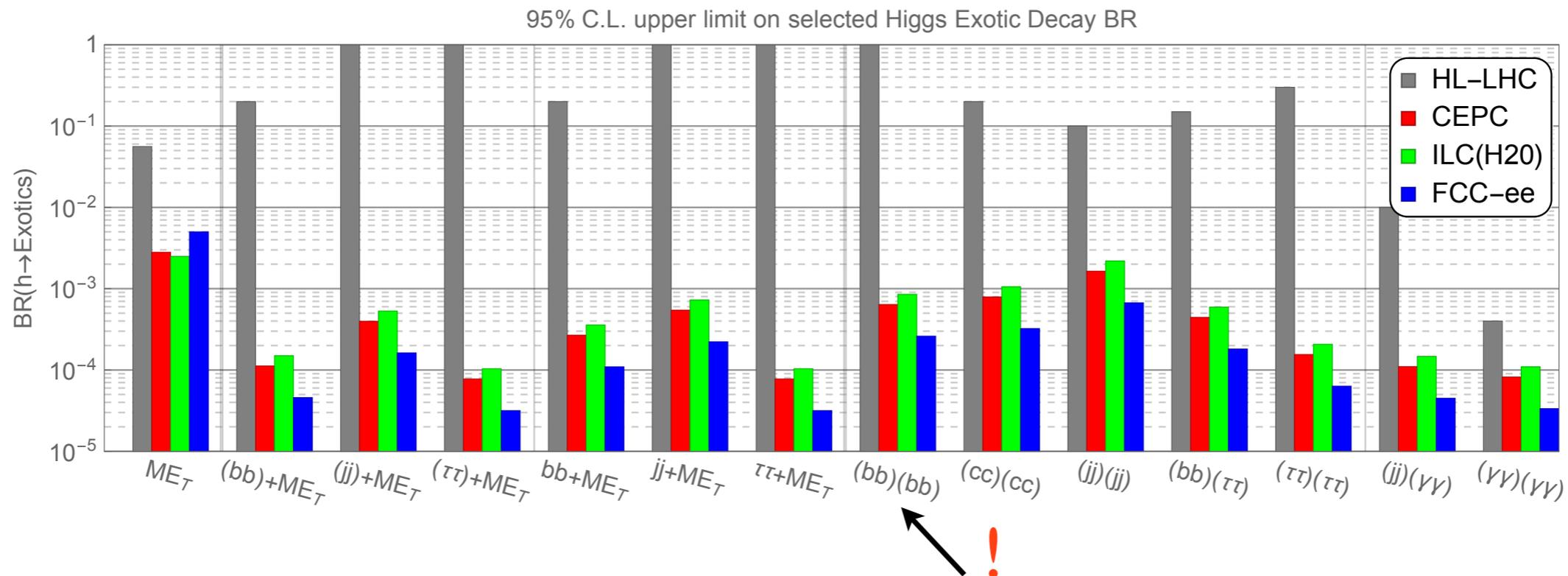
Exotic Higgs Decays

- A comparative collider study: [Liu, Wang, Zhang 2016]

$$\text{ILC} = 2 \text{ ab}^{-1} @ 250 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{CEPC} = 5 \text{ ab}^{-1} @ 240 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{FCC-ee} = 30 \text{ ab}^{-1} @ 240 \text{ GeV}$$



- Dramatic improvement over HL-LHC in hadronic final states

Other Physics Topics

- Hermetic search for new physics up to ~ 125 GeV (extending LEP2). Light Higgsinos may remain hidden at HL-LHC if mass splittings are small. [H. Baer]
- Four-fermi interactions: $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}, b\bar{b}$. Probe the structure of b couplings, address LEP anomalies. [R. Poeschl]
- Top FCNC: Search for $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{c}$. [M. Vos]
- ...

Conclusions

- A program of precision studies of the Higgs boson properties offers unique opportunities to extend our knowledge of laws of physics at short distances
- Higgs boson has many special properties that make it worth exploring:
 - Controls the fate of the Standard Model at high energies
 - The first known spin-less particle - “naturalness mystery”
 - Plays key role in electroweak phase transition in early universe, may give rise to matter-antimatter asymmetry
 - Can serve as a portal to Dark Sector, possibly including the dark matter particle

Conclusions

- A 250 GeV electron-positron collider can perform the measurements required to take the next step in the Precision Higgs program
 - 1%-level precision on many of the Higgs couplings, large improvement over HL-LHC measurements
 - Sensitivity to models not accessible to direct searches at HL-LHC, through Higgs coupling shifts
 - Model discrimination power if deviations from the SM are observed
 - Sensitive searches for well-motivated exotic Higgs decays not accessible at HL-LHC

LET'S BUILD IT!