New Production Mechanism for Composite Higgs at the LHC

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Conclusions



CMS and ATLAS have observed a 126 GeV boson

Is it the Higgs boson? Is it a fundamental scalar like in the SM?

In that case there is a hierarchy problem



One interesting possibility is that the Higgs is composite, the remnant of some new strong dynamics [Kaplan, Georgi '85]

Composite pseudo-Goldstone bosons

It is particularly compelling when the Higgs is the PGB of some new strong interaction. Something like pions in QCD.



Models with warped extra dimensions are weakly coupled duals to strongly coupled 4D conformal theories [Maldacena '98]



 $egin{aligned} &A^{\hat{\mathfrak{d}}}_{\mu}(-,-) \quad T^{\hat{\mathfrak{d}}} \in \mathsf{Alg}\{G/(H_0\cup H_1)\} \end{aligned}$ Model of gauge-Higgs unification $&A_5^{(0)\hat{\mathfrak{d}}}\sim H^{\hat{\mathfrak{d}}} \end{aligned}$

The Higgs is massless at tree-level due to the 5D gauge symmetry, its mass arises radiatively at one-loop. These corrections are finite and UV insensitive.

We choose $G = SO(5) \otimes U(1)_X$

$SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$	$SO(5)\otimes U(1)_X$	$SO(4)\otimes U(1)_X$

The minimal group that

contains the EW group : $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \subset G$

contains the custodial group : $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \sim SO(4) \subset G$

Fermions can transform in the fundamental (\mbox{MCHM}_5) or in the adjoint representation (\mbox{MCHM}_{10})



Fermion masses are given by the overlaps with the Higgs boson, which is peaked towards the IR brane. KK excitations are IR localized too



- The top quark is, due to its large mass, the more composite fermion
- Larger representations required by GHU models can lead to new light resonances, the custodial partners of the top quark



Top Custodians

[Contino,da Rold,Pomarol, '06]

Top quark also responsible for triggering the EWSB

$$V(h) \cong \frac{9}{2} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \log \Pi_W - 2N_c \int \frac{\mathrm{d}^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \log \left(p^2 \Pi_{t_L} \Pi_{t_R} - \Pi_{t_L t_R}^2 \right)$$
$$m_h \approx \sqrt{\frac{N_c}{2}} \frac{y_t}{\pi} \frac{m_q^*}{f_\pi} v$$



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Light resonances at the reach of the LHC!

What about leptons?

- Looking at the lepton masses we would say that leptons are mostly elementary
- However, it was shown that it is no necessary the case when we try to explain the non-hierarchical mixing angles in A_4 models



In A_4 models tau can be more composite than expected $\Rightarrow au$ -custodians

$$\zeta_{\tau} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \nu_{\tau}[+-] & \tilde{e}_{\tau}[+-] \\ e_{\tau}[+-] & \widetilde{Y}_{\tau}[+-] \end{pmatrix}}_{e_{\tau}[+-]} \oplus e_{\tau}'[--], \qquad c_{\tau} \sim 0.5$$

The bidoublet has, for $c_{\tau} \sim 0.5$, an ultra-light KK mode with almost degenerate leptons E_1, E_2, Y and N, with masses ~ 0.5 TeV and large couplings to τ [del Águila, Santiago, '02] [Atre, Carena, Han, Santiago, '08]

We studied pair production of τ custodians at the LHC with

- all leptonic au's (fully collimated)
- one leptonic Z

$$pp
ightarrow ar{ au} au ZZ/W/H
ightarrow I^+I^-I'^+I''^- jj E_T$$



Tau Custodians

Originally considered in MCHM₅ [del Águila,AC,Santiago, arXiv:1007.4206]

$$L_{1L,R}^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} N_{L,R}^{(0)} \\ E_{1L,R}^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} \sim (2)_{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad L_{2L,R}^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} E_{2L,R}^{(0)} \\ Y_{L,R}^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} \sim (2)_{-\frac{3}{2}}$$
$$vY^{(-1)} = \begin{pmatrix} c_R^2 m_\tau & 0 & s_R c_R m_\tau \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ s_R c_R m_{E_2} & 0 & s_R^2 m_{E_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

They lead to

- Suppression of $H\to \tau\bar\tau$
- Suppression of $H\to\gamma\gamma$

$$c_R^2 A_{1/2}(\tau_{\tau}) + s_R^2 A_{1/2}(\tau_{E_2}) \approx c_R^2 A_{1/2}(\tau_{\tau}) + s_R^2$$

They are also present in MCHM_{10} [AC, Goertz, In preparation] with a quite different phenomenology

Stay tuned!

Two-site model

[Contino,Krame,Son,Sundrum, 06]

Simplifed model useful for collider phenomenology



- Fully composite Higgs
- Linear couplings of the elementary sector to composite operators

$$\bar{q}_{L}i\not\!\!Dq_{L} + \bar{t}_{R}i\not\!\!Dt_{R} + \operatorname{Tr}\{\bar{\mathcal{Q}}\left(i\not\!\!D_{*} - \bar{m}_{Q}\right)\mathcal{Q}\} + \bar{\tilde{T}}\left(i\not\!\!D_{*} - \bar{m}_{T}\right)\tilde{T} -\lambda_{L}\bar{q}_{L}Q_{R} - \lambda_{R}\bar{\tilde{T}}_{L}t_{R} - Y_{*U}\operatorname{Tr}\{\bar{\mathcal{Q}}\mathcal{H}\}\tilde{T}$$

Two-site MCHM₅

We consider one $\mathbf{5}=(\mathbf{2},\mathbf{2})\oplus\mathbf{1}$ per family

$$\mathcal{Q}^{(i)} = (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})_{2/3} = \begin{pmatrix} T^{(i)} & T^{(i)}_{5/3} \\ B^{(i)} & T^{(i)}_{2/3} \end{pmatrix} \qquad \tilde{T}^{(i)} = (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_{2/3}$$

The masses of the light quarks are given by the mixing with the strong sector

$$m_{u^{(i)}} \approx \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y_{*U} \sin \phi_q^{(i)} \sin \phi_u^{(i)} \qquad m_{d^{(i)}} \approx \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y_{*D} \sin \phi_2^{(i)} \sin \phi_d^{(i)}$$

There are massive excitations of the SM gauge bosons, in particular a color octet resonance

$$-rac{1}{4g_{ ext{el}}^2}g_{\mu
u}g^{\mu
u}-rac{1}{4g_*^2}G_{\mu
u}G^{\mu
u}+rac{1}{2}rac{ar{m}_G^2}{g_*^2}\left(g_\mu-G_\mu
ight)^2$$

with the SM QCD coupling

$$g_3 = g_* \sin \theta_3$$

Two-site MCHM₅



New Composite Higgs production mechanism arXiv:1205.2378

The Composite Higgs can be produced through a color octet resonance leading to single production of the new quark resonances



The final state is $H\bar{t}t$ or Hjj (just in MFV)

$$\begin{split} M_Q &= M_G/2, \ \ s_u = 0.6, \ \ g_{*\,3} = Y_* = 3, \ \ s_2 = 0.1 \\ \text{Anarchy} \ \ s_u^{(1)} \ll s_u^{(2)} \ll s_u^{(3)} \approx 1 \\ \text{MFV} \ \ \ s_u^{(1)} = s_u^{(2)} = s_u^{(3)} \approx 1 \end{split}$$

Use MadGraph (signal), Alpgen $(t\bar{t}, t\bar{t}b\bar{b}, W, Z, WW, \dots, + \text{ jets})$, Pythia and Delphes

When the composite states are heavy enough

- the structure of the coset SO(5)/SO(4)

 and

- the fermion quantum numbers

fix the Higgs couplings with the SM in terms of

$$\xi = \frac{v^2}{f_\pi^2}$$

$$R_{HVV} \equiv \frac{g_{HVV}}{g_{HVV}^{SM}} = \sqrt{1-\xi} \qquad R_{Hff} \equiv \frac{g_{Hff}}{g_{Hff}^{SM}} = \frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}}$$
$$\Gamma(H \to \gamma\gamma) = \frac{(R_{Hff} I_{\gamma} + R_{HVV} J_{\gamma})^2}{(I_{\gamma} + I_{\gamma})^2} \Gamma^{SM}(H \to \gamma\gamma)$$



Experimental constraints

- Higgs searches

$$0 \le \xi \le 0.4$$
 $\xi = v^2/f_{\pi}^2$ for $m_H = 125$ GeV

- Vector-like quark searches (MFV)

$$\frac{g}{2c_W}\tilde{\kappa}_{uU}\frac{v}{m_U}Z_{\mu}\bar{u}_R\gamma^{\mu}U_R + \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}}\tilde{\kappa}_{uD}\frac{v}{m_D}W^+_{\mu}\bar{u}_R\gamma^{\mu}D_R + \text{h.c.},$$



Experimental constraints

- Top-antitop resonance searches. Traditionally considered the golden channel for G but it can change
 - if the top quark is not fully composite
 - if other quarks can be as composite as the top
 - if new decay channels involving fermion composite states are open
- Di-jet searches
 - Contact interactions

$$G^{A}_{\mu} \left[g_{q_{L}} \bar{q}_{L} \gamma^{\mu} T^{A} q_{L} + g_{u_{R}} \bar{u}_{R} \gamma^{\mu} T^{A} u_{R} + g_{d_{R}} \bar{d}_{R} \gamma^{\mu} T^{A} d_{R} \right] \Rightarrow$$
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{c^{(1)}_{uu}}{M^{2}} \mathcal{O}^{(1)}_{uu} + \frac{c^{(1)}_{dd}}{M^{2}} \mathcal{O}^{(1)}_{dd} + \frac{c^{(8)}_{ud}}{M^{2}} \mathcal{O}^{(8)}_{ud} + \frac{c^{(8)}_{qq}}{M^{2}} \mathcal{O}^{(8)}_{qq} + \frac{c^{(8)}_{qu}}{M^{2}} \mathcal{O}^{(8)}_{qq} + \frac{c^{(8)}_{qd}}{M^{2}} \mathcal{O}^{(8)}_{qq} + \frac{c^{(8)}_{qd}}{M$$

• Direct searches

Single production of top partners trough s-channel exchange of G

$$ho
ho
ightarrow G
ightarrow T \, \overline{t} + \, \overline{T} \, t
ightarrow H t \, \overline{t}$$

Strategy

- Use the leading $H
ightarrow b ar{b}$ decay and semileptonic top decays

$$H\bar{t}t \rightarrow 4b + 2j + l + \mathcal{E}_T$$

- Use *b*-tags and S_T as main discriminating variables

$$S_T \equiv \sum_{j=1}^{n_j} p_T(j) + \sum_{l=1}^{n_l} p_T(l) + \mathscr{E}_T$$

- Use boosted top and Higgs techniques for larger masses



$Ht\bar{t}$ cuts

Low energy phase:

- At least 4 jets, of which at least 3 must be tagged as b-jets
- At least 1 isolated charged lepton
- A cut on S_T (in this case we have $n_j = 4$ and $n_l = 1$) that depends on the test M_G we are considering

$$S_T > 0.9, 1.1, 1.5 \text{ TeV}$$
 for $M_G = 1.5, 2, 2.5 \text{ TeV}$

High energy phase:

- At least 3 jets, with a minimum of 2 b tags
- At least 1 isolated charged lepton
- Two hardest jets required to have invariant masses close to the top and Higgs mass, $|m_{j_1} m_t| \le 40$ GeV and $|m_{j_2} m_H| \le 40$ GeV
- A cut on S_T that depends on the test M_G we are considering

 $S_T > 1.2, \ 1.5, \ 1.7, \ 2$ TeV for $M_G = 2, \ 2.5, \ 3, \ge 3.5$ TeV









Single production of up partners trough s and t-channel exchange of G

$$pp \rightarrow G \rightarrow U\bar{u} + \bar{U}u \rightarrow Hu\bar{u} \rightarrow 2j + 2l + \mathcal{K}_T$$

- To avoid be swamped by background we impose $H \rightarrow W^*W$, with $BR(H \rightarrow W^*W) = 0.33$ in our benchmark model
- Due to the relatively low cross sections and the huge W + j background we look in the dilepton channel
- Just $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$



Hjj cuts

- At least 2 and no more than 6 jets
- Exactly 2 charged leptons, both with

 $p_T(l) \geq 50 \text{ GeV}$ and $|\Delta \phi(l_1, l_2)| \leq 0.5$

- A veto on b-tagged jets (no jet should be tagged as a b-jet).
- A cut on the two hardest jets

 $p_T(j_1) > 400 \text{ GeV}$ $p_T(j_2) > 200 \text{ GeV}$

- A cut on the invariant mass of the two charged leptons

15 GeV $\leq m_{II} \leq$ 70 GeV

- A cut on the transverse mass of the Higgs decay products

 $m_T(I, I, \not E_T) < 120 \text{ GeV}$

- A cut on S_T function of the test M_G

 $S_T > 1.5, \ 2.1 \ , 2.3 \ {
m TeV}$ for $M_G = 2, \ 2.5, \ge 3 \ {
m TeV}$



Hjj results



- Composite Higgs is a nice example of BSM solving the hierarchy problem
- There are new light excitations coupling mostly to the RH top
- It can happen also in the lepton sector (au custodians)
- The strong sector can be probed through Higgs production mediated by color octet and fermion resonances



Backup Slides



Production cross sections



Process	LHC7	LHC8	LHC14
	σ [pb]	σ [pb]	σ [pb]
$Ht\bar{t}$ ($M_G = 2$ TeV, MFV)	0.0213	0.0414	0.358
$Ht\bar{t}$ ($M_G = 3$ TeV, MFV)	0.000478 0.00142		0.0332
$Ht\bar{t}$ ($M_G = 3$ TeV, Anarchy)	0.0013	0.0037	0.084
$Hjj (M_G = 2 \text{ TeV}, \text{ MFV})$	0.04	0.07	0.44
$t\bar{t}$ +0-4 jets (semileptonic+leptonic)	47.9	70.47	268.55
tītbb	0.09	0.15	0.85
Z+1-4 jets (leptonic)	530.5	641	1423
<i>WW</i> + 0-2 jets (semileptonic+leptonic)	15	22.6	49
W+1-2 jets ($ ho_T > 150$ GeV, leptonic)	_	_	84.9
W+1-4 jets (leptonic)	5133	6489	—



In our analyses we define

- jets with a cone size $\Delta R=$ 0.7, $p_T(j)>$ 30 GeV and $|\eta_j|<$ 5.
- isolated charged leptons (e or μ) when $p_T(l) > 20$ GeV and $|\eta_l| < 2.5$

We have assumed a b-tagging efficiency of 0.7 in our analyses. Finally, we use as discriminating variable

$$S_T \equiv \sum_{j=1}^{n_j} p_T(j) + \sum_{l=1}^{n_l} p_T(l) + \mathscr{E}_T$$

where $n_{j,l}$ is the relevant number of jets or leptons.

Given a number of signal (s) and background (b) events after the corresponding cuts, we compute the statistical significance of the signal from

$$\mathcal{S}(s,b) = \sqrt{2 \times \left[(s+b) \ln \left(1 + rac{s}{b}
ight) - s
ight]}$$



Models with Warped Extra Dimensions

Hierarchy Problem

In WED, the fundamental scale of the theory $\mathcal{O}(M_{\rm Pl})$ is redshifted by the warp factor to a few TeV on the IR brane, where the Higgs is localized [Randall, Sundrum '99]



Fermions and gauge bosons can propagate in the bulk



Bulk Fermions

The smallest irrep of the 5D Clifford algebra

$$\{\Gamma^M, \Gamma^N\} = 2g^{MN} \qquad M, N = \mu, 5$$

is four-dimensional

$$\Gamma^{5} = \pm \Gamma^{0} \Gamma^{1} \Gamma^{2} \Gamma^{3} \Rightarrow \bar{\Gamma} \propto \mathbf{1}$$

1. 5D fermions $\psi(x, z)$ are vector-like and a bulk mass c = MR is allowed

2. We can still get a 4D chiral spectrum



After Kaluza-Klein decomposition, we can have a chiral massless state

$$\psi_L(x,z) = f_L^{(0)}(z)\psi_L^{(0)}(x) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_L^{(n)}(z)\psi_L^{(n)}(x)$$



Bulk Fermions

- It turns out that we can explain the huge hierarchy existing between the different fermion masses



$$(m_{u,d})_{ij} \sim \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y_* f_i^q f_j^{u,d}$$

- We obtain naturally also a hierarchical mixing in the quark sector

$$\left| U_L^{u,d} \right|_{ij} \sim f_i^q / f_j^q \qquad \left| U_R^{u,d} \right|_{ij} \sim f_i^{u,d} / f_j^{u,d} \qquad i \leq j$$

Flavor

Different fermion localizations lead to family dependent couplings to massive KK gauge bosons, which are IR localized



$$g_{\alpha}^{(1)} \approx g_{5D} R^{-1/2} \left(-\frac{1}{L} + f_{\alpha}^2 \gamma(c_{\alpha}) \right)$$
$$L = \log R/R' \approx 35 \quad \gamma(c_{\alpha}) \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

We have FCNC both in the quark and in the lepton sector

RS-GIM Mechanism

Off-diagonal couplings are suppressed by CKM entries and by ratios of CKM matrix elements and masses. Still, Δm_K and ϵ_K impose some tunning.

- Fermion splitting seems to naturally lead to hierarchical masses and mixing angles, as the ones observed in the quark sector
- However, unlike the quark case, lepton mixing angles are not hierarchical. A good starting point is the tri-bimaximal mixing

$$|U_{\mathsf{PMNS}}| \sim |U_{\mathsf{TBM}}| = egin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2/3} & \sqrt{1/3} & 0 \ \sqrt{1/6} & \sqrt{1/3} & \sqrt{1/2} \ \sqrt{1/6} & \sqrt{1/3} & \sqrt{1/2} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Despite the RS-GIM mechanism, flavor constraints are quite strict

One possible solution is to assume a discrete symmetry acting on this sector



A₄ Symmetry

 A_4 is the the group of even permutations of four elements. We can use two generators, S and T, satisfying

$$S^2 = T^3 = (ST)^3 = 1$$

It has 3 inequivalent one-dimensional representations

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathbf{1}: & S=1, & T=1, \\ \mathbf{1}': & S=1, & T=e^{i2\pi/3}=\omega, \\ \mathbf{1}'': & S=1, & T=e^{i4\pi/3}=\omega^2, \end{array}$$

and one three-dimensional irreducible representation, ${\bf 3}$

$$\mathbf{3}\otimes\mathbf{3}=\mathbf{3}_{1}\oplus\mathbf{3}_{2}\oplus\mathbf{1}\oplus\mathbf{1}'\oplus\mathbf{1}''$$

There are two important subgroups:

$$Z_2 \cong \{1, S\} \subset A_4 \qquad \qquad Z_3 \cong \{1, T, T^2\} \subset A_4$$



We are interested in the following signature at LHC with $\sqrt{s}=$ 14 TeV

$$pp
ightarrow l^+l^-l'^+l''^-$$
jj, ${
ot\!\!{\cal E}}_T$ with $l,l',l''=e,\mu$

The background we have considered are

$$\begin{array}{ll} Zt\overline{t}+n \text{ jets } & \sigma=39.6 \text{ fb}, \\ ZZ+n \text{ jets } & \sigma=2.35 \text{ pb}, \\ t\overline{t}+n \text{ jets } & \sigma=55 \text{ pb}, \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{ll} ZW+n \text{ jets } & \sigma=1.76 \text{ pb}, \\ ZWW+n \text{ jets } & \sigma=1.9 \text{ fb}, \end{array}$$

with one Z and both tops decaying leptonically.

- Signal generated with MadGraph/MadEvent v4 and au decayed with Tauola
- Background events generated with Alpgen v2.13
- In both cases, we have used Pythia for hadronization and showering and PGS4 for detector simulation

Tau custodians results

14 TeV	M = 200 GeV	M = 400 GeV	Ztī		ZZ		
Basic	0.85	0.14	0.	0.49		0.44	
Leptons	0.68	0.11	0.41		0.41		
M _{jj}	0.49	0.063	0.15		0.13		
Tau rec.	0.42	0.057	0.039		0.052		
Pair prod.	0.39	0.045	0.017		0.032		
Mass rec.	0.37	0.041	0.008	0.0016	0.016	0.0018	

- Basic cuts

- Leptons $|M_{l^+l^-} - M_Z| \le 10$ GeV and $\cos(\phi_{l'^+l''^-}) \ge -0.95$

- M_{jj} 50 GeV $\leq M_{jj} \leq$ 150 GeV
- Tau reconstruction We assume fully collimation
- Pair production $|M_{L_1} M_{L_2}| \le 50$ GeV
- Mass reconstruction $|M_{\tau I^+I^-} M_L^{\text{test}}| \le 50 \text{ GeV}$