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Who Ordered That?

- ▶ **all collider experiments** are compatible with a renormalization of some 18 parameters of the $\dim \leq 4$ operators invariant under

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

standard model

- ▶ the $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ gauge symmetry appears to be spontaneously broken and vector bosons get their masses by eating a Goldstone boson, i. e. from a **Higgs mechanism**
- ▶ **all current data** are compatible with an elementary **Higgs boson** as the source of the Goldstone bosons
- ▶ **if and only if** interpreted as a **fundamental renormalizable** field theory, the data strongly favor a **light** Higgs boson

- ▶ **(cold) dark matter**
 - ∴ several **independent** observations (WMAP, rotation curves, gravitational lensing, structure formation, &c.)
 - ∴ very little wiggle room, **any** serious BSM model must leave room for CDM candidates
- ▶ (almost all) **neutrinos have mass**
 - ▶ structurally not really BSM, b/c we can always add right handed singlets to obtain Dirac masses
 - ∴ still: elegance of the seesaw mechanism(s) suggest Majorana masses w/associated higher mass scale $\approx 10^{10}$ TeV
 - ∴ lepton flavor violation (e. g. $\mu^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm \gamma$) not unlikely
- ▶ **dark energy**
 - ▶ solid evidence (WMAP, type IA supernova), but no *hot* particle physics candidates yet
- ▶ **gravity**
 - ▶ the granddaddy of BSM physics
 - ∴ there **must** be a new scale $m_{\text{Planck}} \gg v$ (w/ $m_{\text{Planck},4D} = \mathcal{O}(10^{16}) \cdot v_F$)

- ▶ **Grand unification** in some form is a central tenet of our discipline: “stuff becomes simpler at high energies — for a suitable notion of *simple*”, e. g. $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow SU(5)$
- ▶ **requires** BSM physics — some even at the **Terascale**
 - ∴ assume gauge and Yukawa coupling unification
 - ∴ there **should** be yet another new high scale
 - ∴ does not work w/a **desert** above $\nu_F = 254 \text{ GeV}$
 - ∴ there **should** be yet another **new threshold**:
 $m_{\text{Planck}} \gg m_{\text{threshold}} > \nu_F$
- ▶ coexistence of widely separated scales raises **naturalness** concerns
 - ∴ if there is a new much higher scale, we **should** explain the **origin** and **stability** of the lower scales
 - ∴ new **symmetries/particles** for the protection of the EWSB scale
 - ▶ **caveat**: viewed from the earth, the diameters of sun and moon appear to very finely tuned (anthropic principle: no astronomy, physics and higher mathematics w/o prediction of eclipses) . . .
- ∴ most fertile ground for Terascale BSM models to date . . .

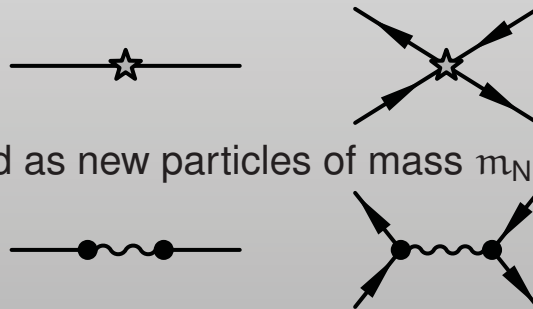
- ▶ theoretical solution of the **flavor problem**
 - ▶ number of generations
 - ▶ mass and mixing hierarchies
 - ▶ CP-violation
- ▶ observation of **lepton flavor violation** beyond ν -mixing
 - ▶ do we owe our existence to leptogenesis?
 - ▶ is there a seesaw mechanism?
 - ▶ are there Majorana masses?

- ▶ **Occam's razor** might be **dull**: BSM physics can be a combination some or all of the above
 - ▶ nature is often more messy than we hope
 - ∴ **be prepared!**
- ▶ there are examples for “strange” stuff that doesn't fit nicely with (most of) our orthodoxy:
 - ▶ **Unparticles**
 - ▶ did anybody anticipate these propagators?
 - ▶ **Noncommutativity**
 - ▶ Lorentz invariance is hardwired in our brains . . .
- ▶ *nothing but the minimal SM plus an ad-hoc WIMP CDM candidate* would be the biggest surprise of all

Perturbative

All the Way Up To the Planck Scale

- ▶ ironic: the ultimate **new physics** at LHC: **the Higgs and nothing but the Higgs** — the first **fine-tuned** theory that we once “understood”!
- ▶ NB: the fine tuning of the **cosmological constant Λ** is worse, but nobody(?) claims to understand it . . .
- ∴ current consensus: two options
 - ▶ find a **symmetry** that protects the EWSB scale, and/or
 - ▶ explain EWSB **dynamically**
- ▶ many scenarios allow to maintain our successful approach to new physics all the way up to the Planck scale:
 - ▶ new physics in **contact interactions** $\propto 1/m_{\text{NP}}^2$



- ▶ can be interpreted as new particles of mass m_{NP}

- ▶ examples: Z' , see-saw mechanism

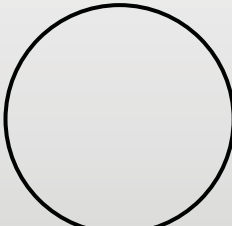
- ▶ for many (most?) **SUSY** is already contained in **release 2.0 of the Standard Model** which will be launched after a few 10 fb^{-1} of LHC collisions have been analyzed in 201x
- ▶ very well motivated and well studied extension of the SM
- ▶ \exists rich set of tools (dedicated and multi purpose) available — often very well tested in real applications
- ▶ \exists multiple independent **cross checked** implementations of constrained versions of the MSSM, extensions in the works
- ∴ **perturbatively renormalizable** field theory allows clean **factorization of tasks** related to different scales, **interfaces** available, in particular SLHA_n
 - ▶ couplings from spectrum generators
 - ▶ scattering amplitudes from diagrammatic tools
- ∴ all-in-one packages for LO event samples feasible (new model \lesssim MA-thesis)

- ▶ SUSY extensions of the SM **require** more than one Higgs doublet, but **more general Higgs representations** do **not require** SUSY
- ▶ just demand that
 - ▶ $\rho \approx 1$ **naturally**
 - ▶ FCNCs are **naturally** suppressed
- ▶ **Glashow-Weinberg Criterion** [’77] satisfied by **2HDM**, w/mass eigenstates in reach of collider experiments
- ▶ popular source of CP-violation
 - ▶ many phenomenological studies
 - ▶ implemented in most (all?) all-in-one packages

Perturbative
Up To the Terascale
(but not much further)

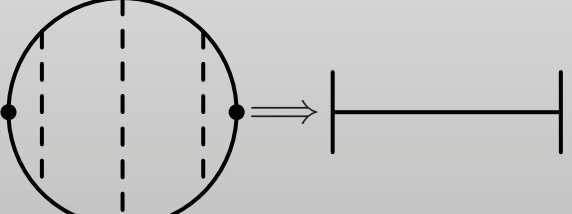
- ▶ **extra dimensions** have been with us for a long, long time [Kaluza, Klein '21, '26] and **string theory** made them a necessity at the **Planck** scale
- ▶ **Terascale extra dimensions** became respectable in the late '90s [ADD '98, RS '99] (see also [Antoniadis '90])
- ▶ XDs play many (sometimes incompatible) rôles in Terascale particle physics
 - ▶ **real** XD:
 - ▶ can solve the hierarchy problem by a **Terascale Planck mass**
 - ▶ introduce infinite **Kaluza-Klein towers**
 - ▶ allow symmetry breaking by boundary conditions
 - ▶ unitarize VV scattering by exchange of KK partners
 - ▶ (ab)use the Xtra components of gauge fields as **naturally light scalars**
 - ▶ **metaphorical** XD: symmetries in **deconstructed dimensions**
 - ▶ **holographical** XD: powerful new description of strongly interacting models using the (conjectured!) **AdS/CFT** correspondence

- ▶ all degrees of freedom in XD represented by **infinite Kaluza-Klein towers** $m_n = n/R$:



$$: \Phi(x, y) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f_n(y) \phi_n(x)$$

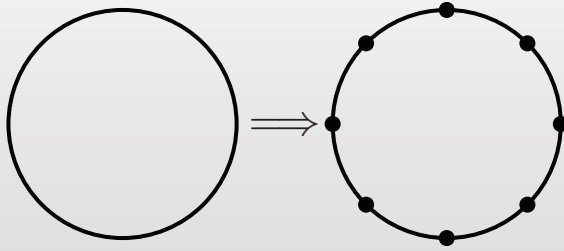
- ▶ **orbifolding**: identify points in the XD, e. g. $\Phi(x, y) = \Phi(x, 2\pi - y)$



$$: \Phi(x, y) = \sum_{n \in 2\mathbb{Z}} f_n(y) \phi_n(x)$$

- ▶ “odd” modes are projected out
- ▶ **fixed points** (e. g. $y = 0, \pi$) correspond to **branes**
- ∴ **boundary conditions** at the branes ($f_n(0) = 0, \partial_z f_n(0) = 0$, etc.)

- ▶ replace **continuous** XD by **discrete** XD



$$\Phi(x, y) \implies \{\phi_n(x) = \Phi(x, 2\pi n/N)\}_{n=0,1,\dots,N-1}$$

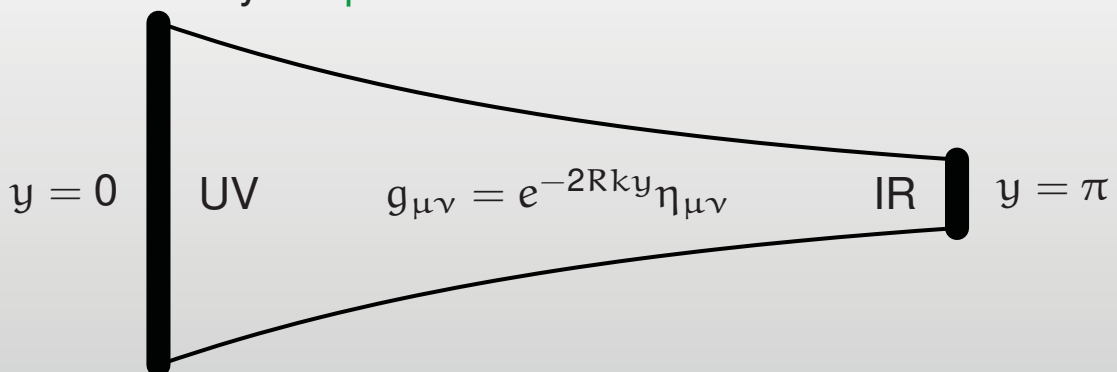
∴ **finite** dimensional representations of translation symmetry in XD

- ▶ can be combined with orbifolding, of course
- ▶ 5D gauge theory is equivalent to a collection of 4D gauged nonlinear sigma models

$$\int dy \frac{1}{4} \text{tr}(F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}) \implies \text{“lattice”} \implies \frac{1}{4} \sum_{n=1}^N \text{tr}(D_\mu \Phi^\dagger(x, y_n) D^\mu \Phi(x, y_n))$$

- ▶ NB: one loop quadratic divergencies for uneaten goldstone bosons cancel from remnant of translational symmetry!

- ▶ replace **flat** XD by **warped** XD:



- ▶ NB: **warped** XD play a dual rôle
 - ▶ warp factor creates hierarchy $m/M \approx e^{-Rk\pi}$
 - ▶ if the AdS/CFT correspondence is correct, we can describe a strongly coupled 4D theory by a dual weakly coupled 5D theory!
- ∴ the **technicolor** and **composite Higgs** models of the '70s and '80s have been resurrected as models on AdS5!
- ▶ can be combined with deconstruction, of course

- ▶ Little Higgs started life as **deconstructed XD**

$$\sum_n \text{loop}(n) \propto \Lambda^2 \cdot \underbrace{\sum_{-N/2 < n \leq N/2} \cos\left(2\pi\frac{n}{N} + \phi\right)}_{=0} + g \ln \Lambda$$

- ▶ can be reproduced by internal symmetry breaking pattern, e. g.

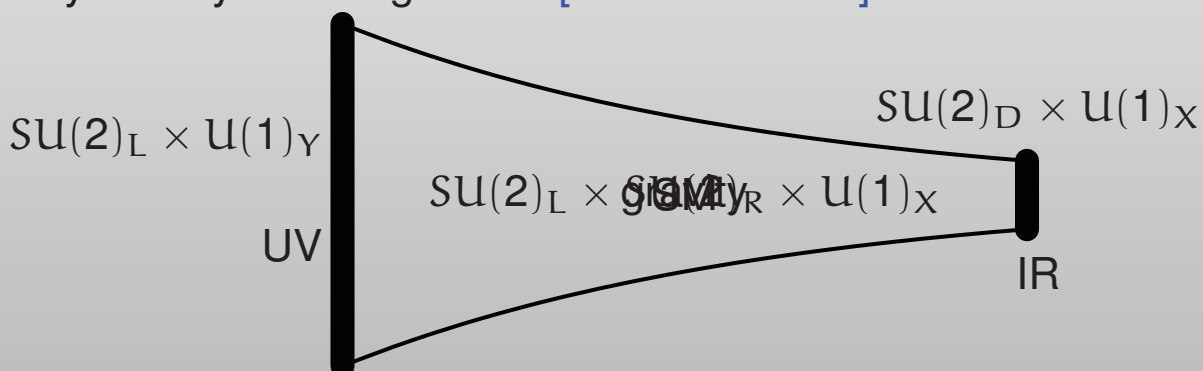
$$SU(5) \rightarrow SO(5)$$

- ▶ drawbacks:

- ▶ hierarchy problem merely postponed
- ▶ two loop contributions remain quadratically divergent:

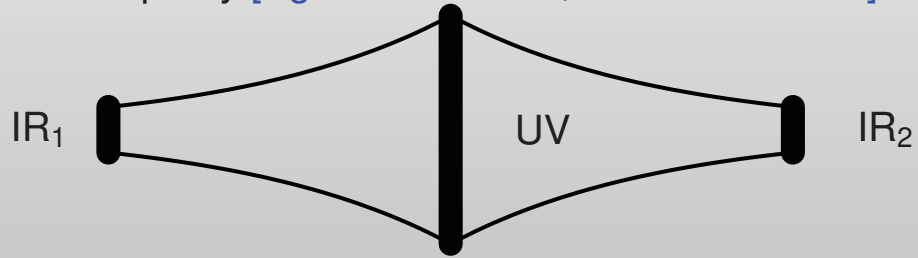
$$\Lambda : 1 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow 10 \text{ TeV}$$

- ▶ Randall-Sundrum started with **only gravity** in the **bulk** (motivation: open string endpoints confined to D-branes)
- ▶ **warp factor** softens hierarchy from power to logarithm
- ▶ also: smallness of $\rho - 1$ (& other EW precision observables) not natural in EWSB by boundary conditions in **flat XD**
- ▶ can be explained by similar exponential suppression of the symmetry breaking sector [[Csaki et al. '03](#)]



- ▶ couplings from overlap integrals in the extra dimension

- ▶ even higgsless models **must** provide reasonable **CDM** candidates
- ∴ warp factors destroy Kaluza-Klein parity
- ∴ ~~∃~~ stable Lightest KK Particle (LKP)
- ∴ some additional physics BSM required
 - ▶ two branes with parity [Agashe et al. '07, Panico et al. '08]

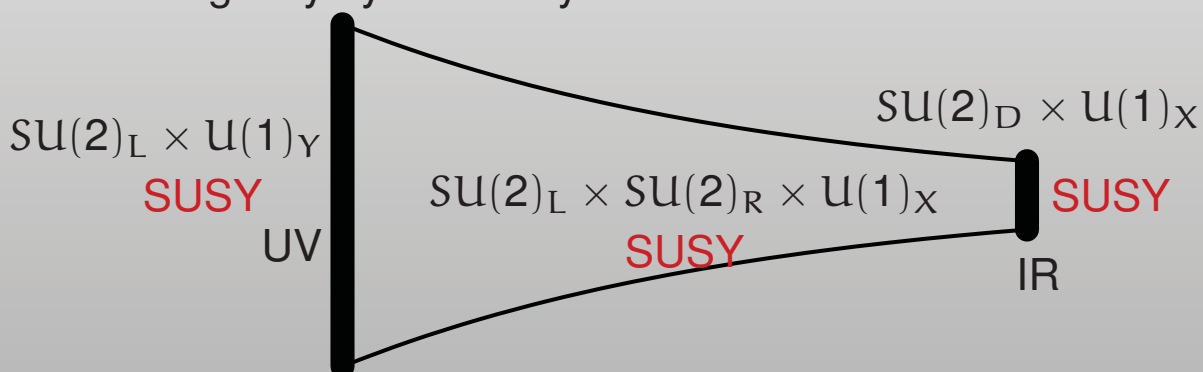


- ▶ R-parity conserving SUSY in warped 5D [Knochel, TO '08]
- ∴ SUSY well motivated to appear in **UV completions** of any effective model, including higgsless models

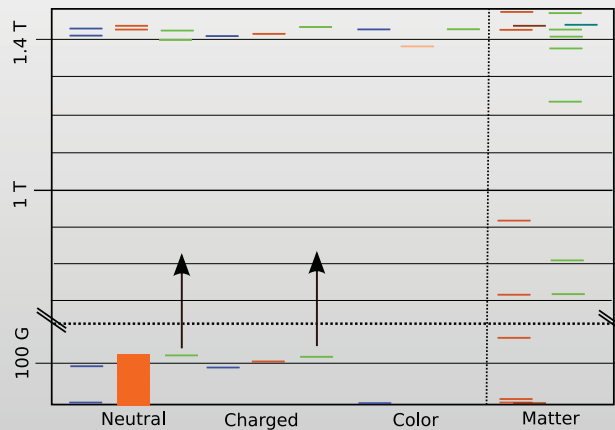
- ▶ flat 5D $N = 1$ can be mapped to 4D $N = 2$
- ▶ $N = 2$ SUSY broken by warp factor, only one y -dependent global $N = 1$ SUSY compatible with the metric (“**killing spinors**”)

$$\xi(y) = e^{-Rky/2} \begin{pmatrix} \xi^0 \\ \xi_\alpha \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

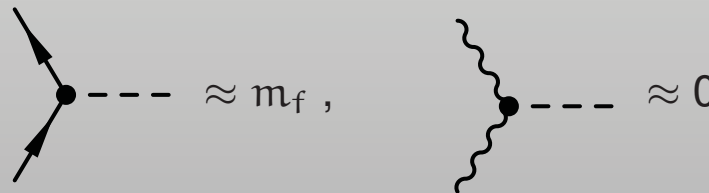
- ∴ remaining degeneracy must be lifted by **soft breaking**
- ▶ most elegantly by boundary conditions on the UV-brane



- ▶ spectrum of gauge bosons and matter together with KK and SUSY partners:



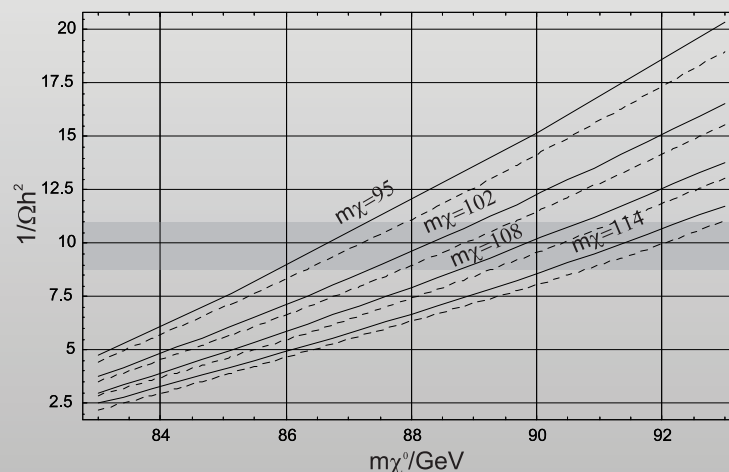
- ▶ couplings of the heavy gauge scalars (“sgauginos”),



∴ Higgs-like w/o vector boson fusion

- ▶ estimate neutralino relic density freezeout at $\approx m_\chi/20$

$$1/\Omega h^2 \propto \langle v\sigma(\chi\chi \rightarrow WW) \rangle + \underbrace{\langle v\sigma(\chi\chi \rightarrow ff) \rangle}_{\approx 0 \text{ for } m_\chi < m_t, m_\chi \ll m_{\tilde{f}}}$$



- ▶ Very good agreement with current WMAP data possible

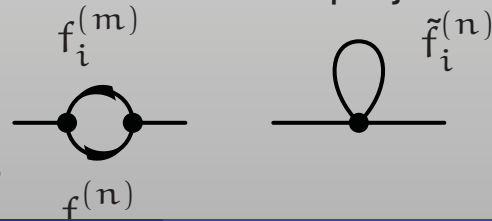
- ▶ scalar Σ as $\mathcal{N} = 2$ partner of the gauge bosons
- ▶ no $\Sigma A_\mu A_\mu$ interaction \implies **no Vector boson fusion**
- \therefore Interaction with fermions $\mathcal{L}_{\Sigma f \bar{f}} = g \frac{1}{(kz)^5} \chi(\Sigma_0 + iA_5)\eta + \text{h. c.}$

$$y_{\text{eff}}^0 \propto \langle \Sigma_0 \eta_L \chi_L \rangle + \langle \Sigma_0 \eta_R \chi_R \rangle \begin{cases} m_f = 0 : & \eta_R = \chi_L = 0 \\ m_f > 0 : & \text{contributions from } \eta_R, \chi_L \end{cases}$$

- $\therefore y_{\text{eff}}^0$ grows with fermion mass, similar to SM Higgs: $y_{\text{eff}}^0 \approx \frac{y_H}{3}$
- $\therefore \Sigma_0$ production similar to SM

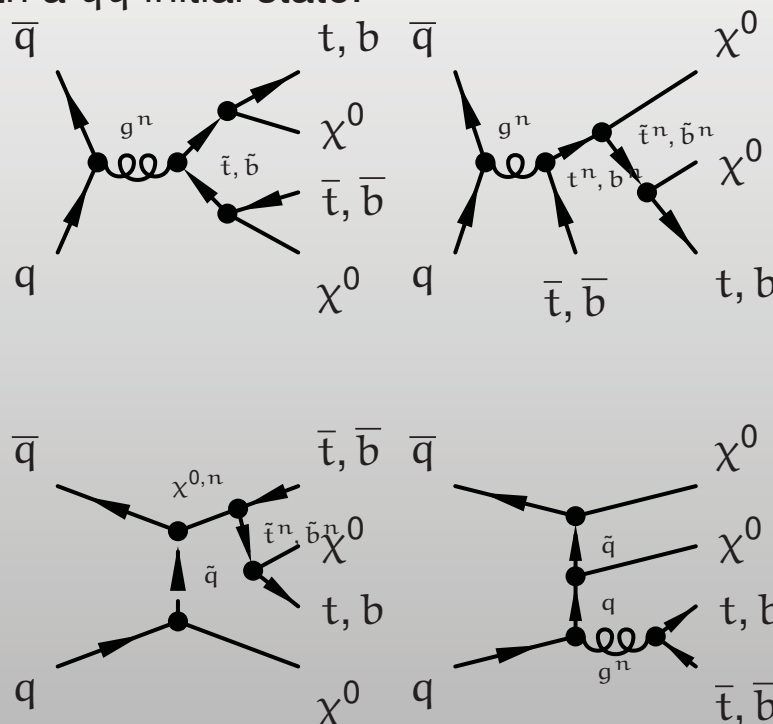


- \therefore **However:** the sfermion partners of SM fermions are projected out by boundary conditions

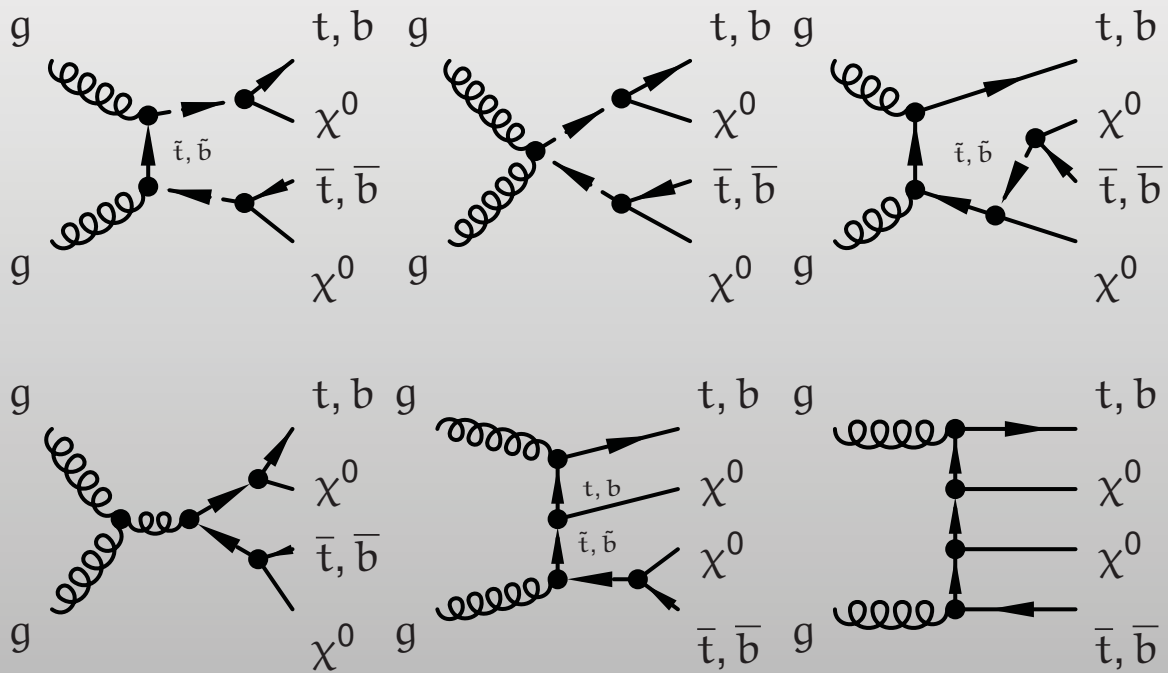


- \therefore (potentially) large mass corrections

- ▶ tree level contributions to **associated heavy quark and LSP pair production** with a $q\bar{q}$ initial state.



- ▶ tree level contributions to **associated heavy quark and LSP pair production** with a gg initial state.



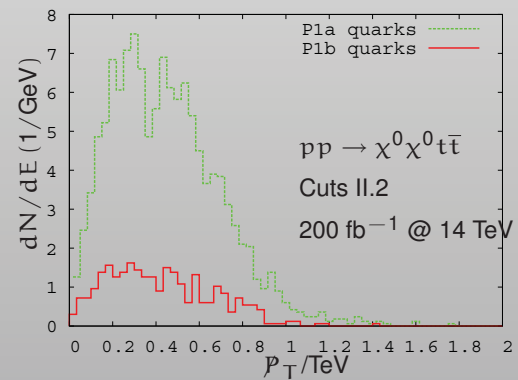
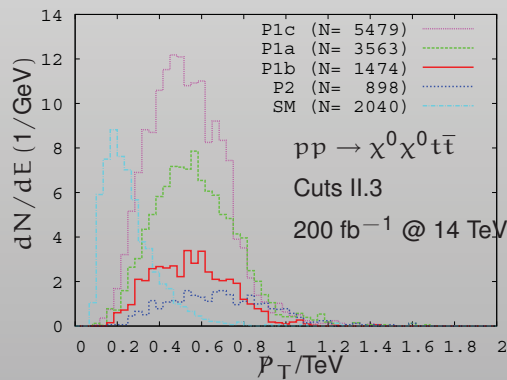
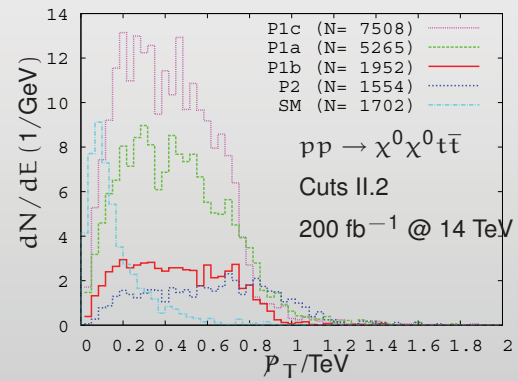
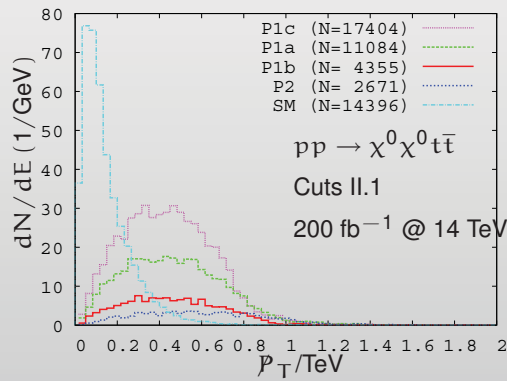
- ▶ Model implemented by in WHIZARD [Kilian/TO/Reuter]
- ▶ **commercial break:**
 - ▶ **fully automated** Monte Carlo event generator generator (emphasis on BSM physics, w/and w/o SUSY)
 - <http://whizard.event-generator.org> (or hepforge.org)
 - ▶ α -Version of **Version 2** recently completed (still working out Fortran 2003 compiler kinks)
 - ▶ hadron colliders no longer an afterthought (Version 1 sometimes revealed its TESLA/ILC origins)

- ▶ Kinematic cuts

Variable	I	II.1	II.2	II.3
$P_T(q), P_T(\bar{q})$	-	$> 100 \text{ GeV}$	$> 300 \text{ GeV}$	$> 100 \text{ GeV}$
$\Delta\phi(q, \bar{q})$	-	-	-	$[0, 140^\circ]$

II.3 suppress SM background with back-to-back $t\bar{t}$ pairs

- ▶ Missing energy in neutralino LSP pair production in association with top pairs (SM background: $\nu\bar{\nu}t\bar{t}$):

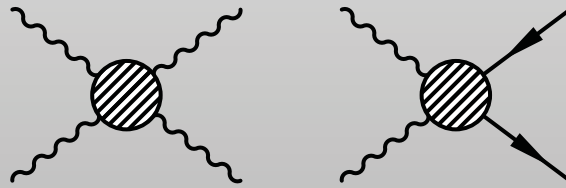


Model Independent EFT Approach

- ▶ Most conservative approach:
 - ▶ use only observed degrees of freedom
 - ▶ implement observed exact and broken symmetries
- ∴ effective chiral Lagrangian for $SU_L(2) \times SU_R(2) \rightarrow SU_C(2)$ breaking

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{4} \text{tr} ([D_\mu, D_\nu][D^\mu, D^\nu]) + \frac{v_F^2}{2} \text{tr} (D_\mu U D^\mu U) + \dots$$

- ▶ dependence of $VV \rightarrow VV$ and $VV \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ scattering on dim-4 operators



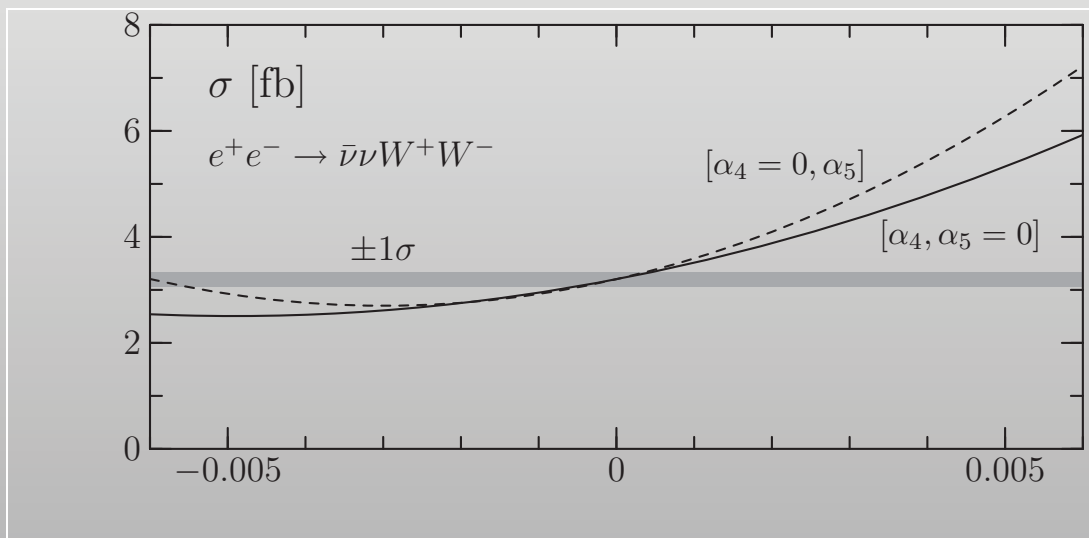
studied for **ILC** ($e^+e^- \rightarrow 6f/8f$) and **LHC** ($pp \rightarrow 6f/8f$)

- ▶ custodial $SU(2)_c$ conserving:

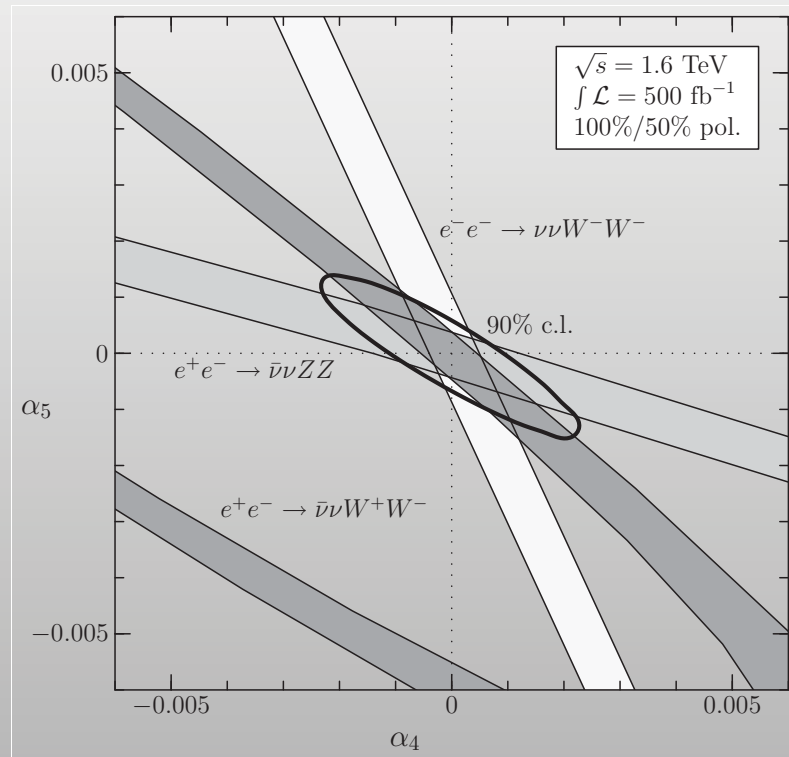
$$\mathcal{L}_4 = \alpha_4 \text{tr} [V_\mu V_\nu] \text{tr} [V^\mu V^\nu]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = \alpha_5 \text{tr} [V_\mu V^\mu] \text{tr} [V_\nu V^\nu]$$

where $V_\mu = U^\dagger D_\mu U$



- ▶ our **1997 Dream Machine** could probe $\alpha_{4,5}$ at the “magic” $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3}) \lesssim 1/(16\pi^2)$ suggested by **naive dimensional analysis**

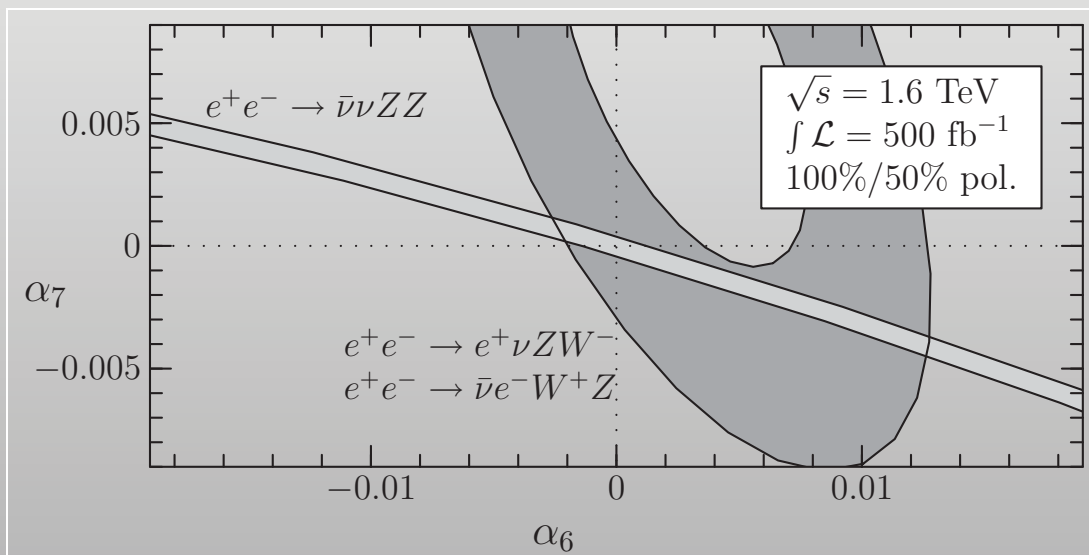


- ▶ custodial $SU(2)_c$ violation:

$$\mathcal{L}_6 = \alpha_6 \text{tr} [V_\mu V_\nu] \text{tr} [\mathcal{T}V^\mu] \text{tr} [\mathcal{T}V^\nu]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_7 = \alpha_7 \text{tr} [V_\mu V^\mu] \text{tr} [\mathcal{T}V_\nu] \text{tr} [\mathcal{T}V^\nu]$$

where $\mathcal{T} = U\tau_3 U^\dagger$.



Who Ordered That?

- ▶ **Quantum mechanics**: measurements of **coordinate** and **momentum** are **complementary**

$$\Delta x_i \cdot \Delta p_j \geq \hbar/2 \cdot \delta_{ij}$$

More formal: the corresponding **operators** don't **commute**

$$[x_i, p_j] = x_i p_j - p_j x_i = i\hbar \delta_{ij}$$

- ▶ **Currently** no exp. evidence for complementary **coordinate pairs**:

$$\Delta x_\mu \cdot \Delta x_\nu \stackrel{?}{=} 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad [x_\mu, x_\nu] \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

- ▶ nevertheless

$$[\hat{x}_\mu, \hat{x}_\nu] = i\theta_{\mu\nu} = i \frac{C_{\mu\nu}}{\Lambda_{\text{NC}}^2}$$

possible, as long as **characteristic energy scale** Λ_{NC} large and corresponding **minimal area** in the $e_\mu \wedge e_\nu$ -plane

$$a_{\text{NC}} = l_{\text{NC}}^2 = 1/\Lambda_{\text{NC}}^2$$

small compared to the resolution of **present** experiments.

Why is it interesting?

► Fundamental length scale

- x_μ -continuum \Rightarrow lattice of eigenvalues of operators \hat{x}_μ (lattice constant $\sim 1/\Lambda_{NC}$) [Snyder, Wess]
- smooth cut off of some divergent contributions $E > \Lambda_{NC}$ in quantum gravity (cf. \hbar and black body radiation)
- \therefore internal and space-time symmetries do not commute any more
- \therefore richer symmetry structure

► String theory

- NCQFT is low energy limit of certain string theories [Seiberg, Witten]
- more than 2000 citations for a single paper written in 1999 ...
- no prediction for the value of Λ_{NC}

► special (simplest) case: $\theta^{\mu\nu}$ constant 4×4 -matrix:

$$[\hat{x}^\mu, \hat{x}^\nu] = i\theta^{\mu\nu} = i\frac{1}{\Lambda_{NC}^2} C^{\mu\nu} = i\frac{1}{\Lambda_{NC}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -E^1 & -E^2 & -E^3 \\ E^1 & 0 & -B^3 & B^2 \\ E^2 & B^3 & 0 & -B^1 \\ E^3 & -B^2 & B^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- simpler, but equivalent realization: replace all point products of functions of noncommuting coordinates

$$(f \cdot g)(\hat{x}) = f(\hat{x})g(\hat{x})$$

by Moyal-Weyl-*-products of functions of commuting coordinates:

$$(f * g)(x) = f(x) e^{\frac{i}{2} \overleftarrow{\partial}^\mu \theta_{\mu\nu} \overrightarrow{\partial}^\nu} g(x) = f(x)g(x) + \frac{i}{2} \theta_{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_\mu} \frac{\partial g(x)}{\partial x_\nu} + \mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$$

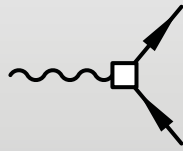
- then $(x_\mu * x_\nu)(x) = x_\mu x_\nu + \frac{i}{2} \theta_{\mu\nu}$ and in particular

$$[x_\mu * x_\nu](x) = (x_\mu * x_\nu)(x) - (x_\nu * x_\mu)(x) = i\theta_{\mu\nu}$$

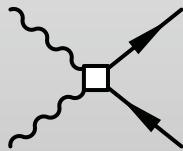
- new interaction vertices among gauge and matter fields from expanding Moyal-Weyl-*-products and Seiberg-Witten-Maps as determined by gauge invariance

$$g(\bar{\psi} * \hat{A} * \psi)(x) = g\bar{\psi}(x)\hat{A}(x)\psi(x) + \mathcal{O}(\theta)$$

- ▶ e. g. at $\mathcal{O}(\theta)$ with all momenta outgoing



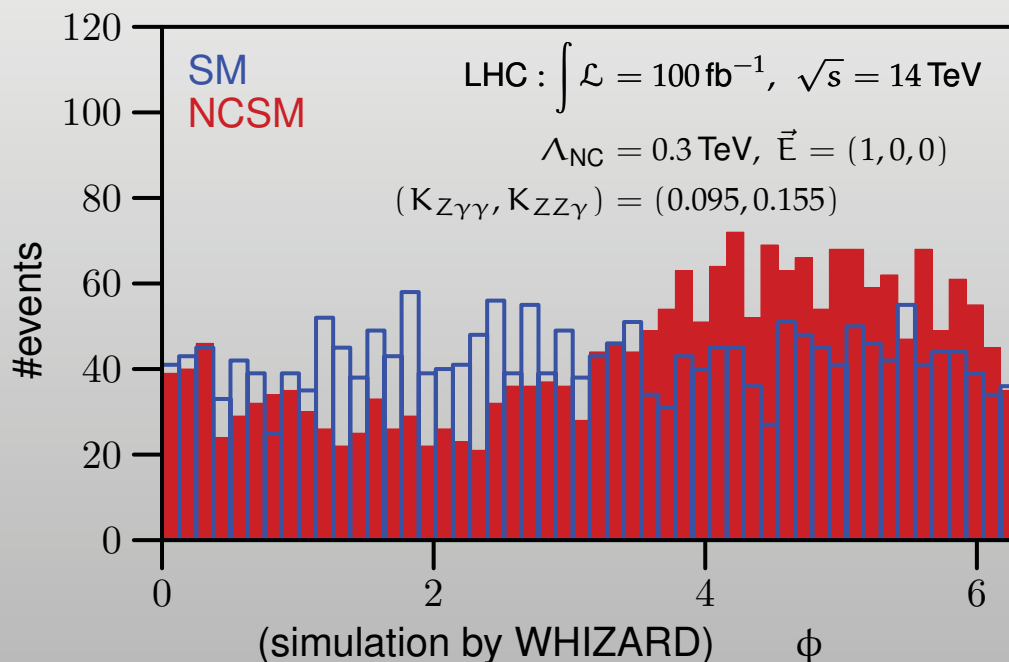
$$= ig \cdot \frac{i}{2} [(k\theta)_\mu \not{p} + (\theta p)_\mu \not{k} - (k\theta p) \gamma_\mu]$$



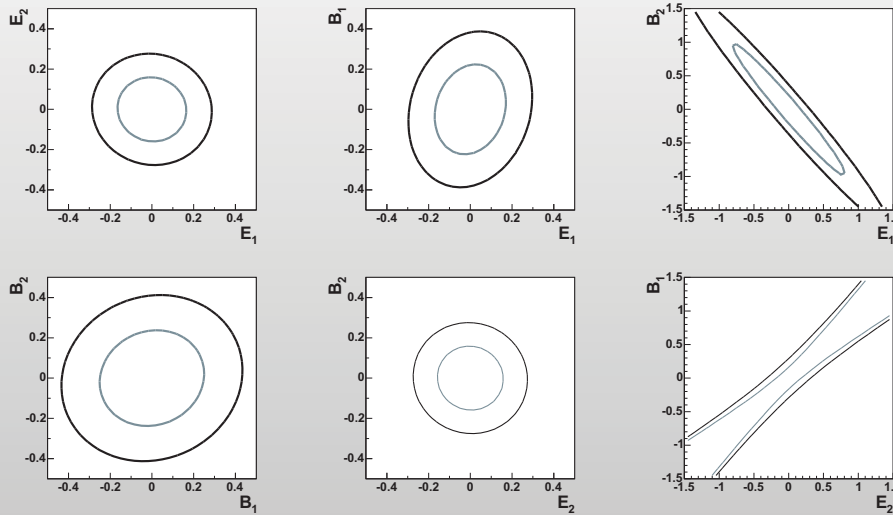
$$= ig^2 \cdot \frac{i}{2} \left[(\theta(k_1 - k_2))_{\mu_1} \gamma_{\mu_2} - (\theta(k_1 - k_2))_{\mu_2} \gamma_{\mu_1} - \theta_{\mu_1 \mu_2} (k_1 - k_2) \right]$$

- ▶ canonical NC extension of the SM known to $\mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$

standard acceptance cuts and $85 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell+\ell^-} < 97 \text{ GeV}$,
 $200 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell+\ell^- \gamma} < 1 \text{ TeV}$, $0 < \cos \theta_\gamma^* < 0.9$,
 $\cos \theta_Z > 0$ and $\cos \theta_\gamma > 0$ (favoring $\bar{q}q$ over $q\bar{q}$!)



likelihood fits for $\Lambda_{\text{NC}} = 500 \text{ GeV}$ [Alboteanu, T. O., Rückl, PRD74]



- ▶ only the expected **kinematical correlations** of (E_1, B_2) and (E_2, B_1)
- ∴ $\Lambda_{\text{NC}} \gtrsim 1 \text{ TeV}$ can be easily probed at the LHC
- ▶ unfortunately, hard to reconcile with Lorentz violation bounds from atomic physics and astronomy

∴ Light fermions couple **very weakly** to the **Electroweak Symmetry Breaking** sector

- ▶ **Standard Model Yukawa Couplings**

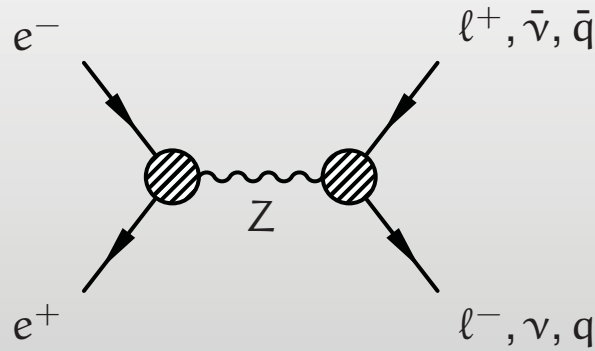
$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{m_f}{v_F} H \bar{\psi}_f \psi_f \implies \frac{d\sigma}{d\Phi} (f\bar{f} \rightarrow H) \propto \frac{m_f^2}{v_F^2}$$

- ▶ **generically** in any **chiral Effective Field Theory** description

$$\mathcal{L} \supset m_f \bar{\psi}_f \exp\left(i \frac{\Phi}{v_F}\right) \psi_f \implies \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} (f\bar{f} \rightarrow \Phi) \propto \frac{m_f^2}{v_F^2}$$

∴ cross sections for the **direct** excitation of the EWSB sector at LHC (u, d) and ILC (e^\pm) are **strongly** suppressed

∴ couplings of **all fermions except top** have been measured **very precisely** at **LEP 1**



∴ **all** observed **Flavor Changing Neutral Currents** can be explained by **penguin** and **box** diagrams

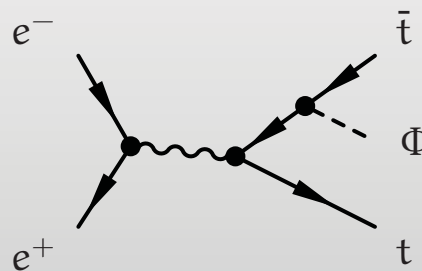
∴ new particles in models of **any** new physics are **very** likely to be **fermiophobic** (with an exception for top quarks)

☹ direct production cross sections for new gauge bosons &c. at ILC and LHC strongly suppressed again!

∴ new physics appears to suffer from **fermiophobia!**

∴ produce excitations of the EWSB sector (e.g. Higgs bosons) **in association** with heavy particles (i.e. $m = \mathcal{O}(v_F)$) via their **known** gauge couplings

▶ e.g. **top-quarks**



▶ or W and Z bosons

☹ at a 500 GeV LHC, the cost of producing an **additional** $t\bar{t}$ -pair pushes it back to the threshold of a **light** Higgs:

$$500 \text{ GeV} - 2m_t = 150 \text{ GeV}$$

▶ **LHC advantage:** **colored** new physics **must** have a large cross section in **gluon-gluon scattering**

▶ NB: **guaranteed** by **universality** of the strong coupling

- ▶ Trick: generate **almost real** massive gauge bosons (W^\pm and Z) with **known gauge couplings** by **bremstrahlung** off light fermions and let them scatter
 - ▶ cross section **suppressed** by additional gauge couplings

$$\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

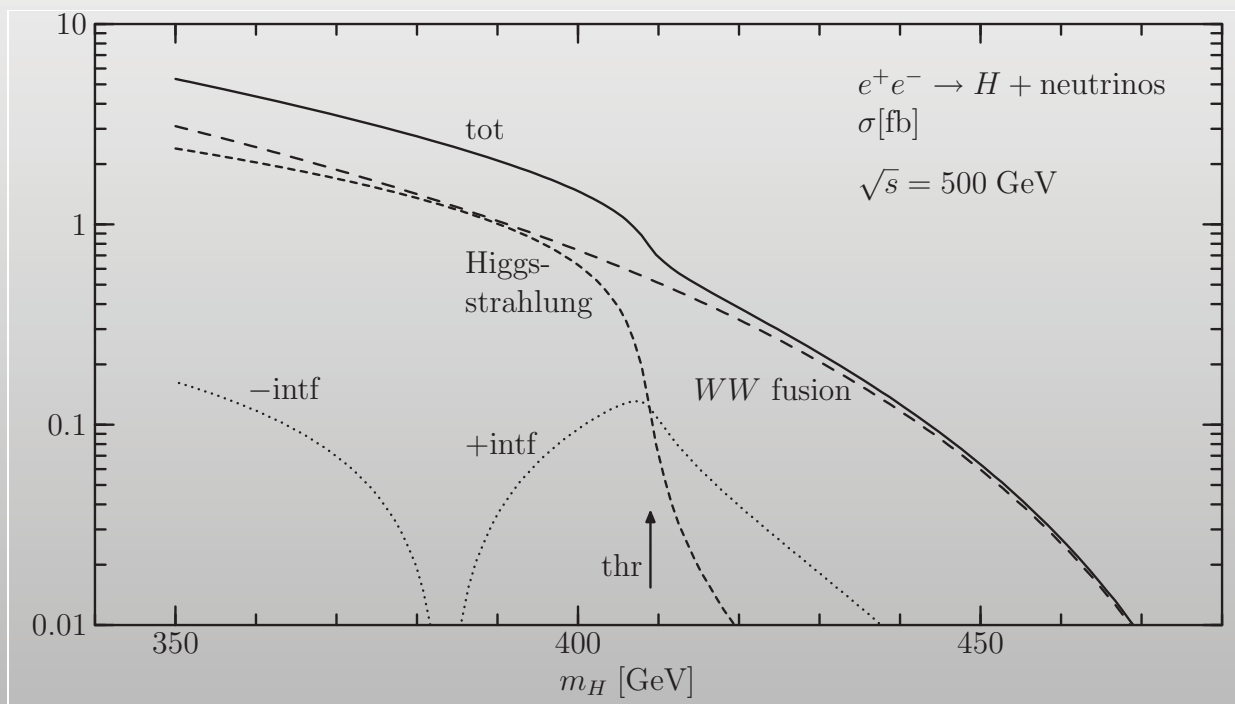
- ▶ but **enhanced** by

$$\left(\frac{m_{W,Z}}{m_e}\right)^2 \approx 3 \cdot 10^9$$

😊 net gain of $\mathcal{O}(10^3)$

☹ drawback: **lower energy** available in the CMS of the vector bosons, because of **soft bremstrahlung spectrum** (see below)

- ▶ upper Higgs mass reach of linear collider **dominated** by **Vector Boson Fusion**:



- ▶ 1990s: LEP enforced **triumph** of the minimal **standard model**
- ▶ 2000s: theorists running wild due to lack of supervision from experimentalists: plethora of new **and repackaged** BSM models
- ▶ 2010s: LHC
 - ▶ will most of the content of arXiv.org be obsolete soon, or
 - ▶ will we have to come up with completely new ideas?
- ▶ 2020s: ILC/CLIC: **Will the fog be lifted?**

