

# Tau Custodians and Higgs Decays

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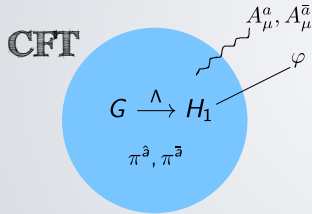
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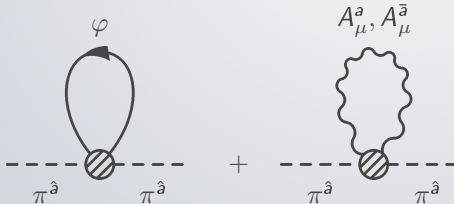
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- One interesting possibility is that the Higgs is composite, the remnant of some new strong dynamics [Kaplan, Georgi '84] [Agashe, Contino, Pomarol '04]
- It is particularly compelling when the Higgs is the PGB of some new strong interaction. Something like pions in QCD.



$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{CFT}} - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^\alpha F^{\mu\nu\alpha} + A_\mu^\alpha J^{\mu\alpha} + \varphi \cdot \mathcal{O}_\varphi, \quad \alpha = a, \bar{a},$$



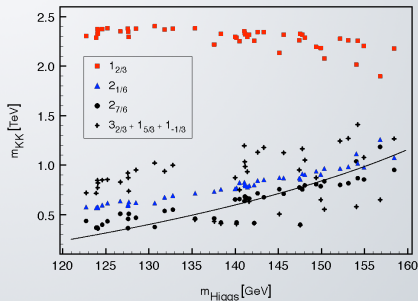
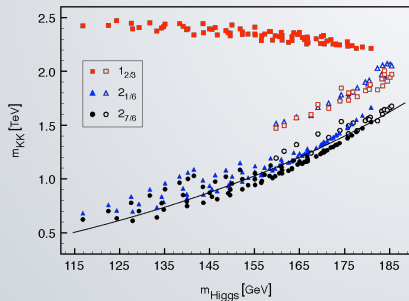
$$m_\pi^2 = m_h^2 \sim \frac{g_{\text{el}}^2}{16\pi^2} \Lambda^2$$

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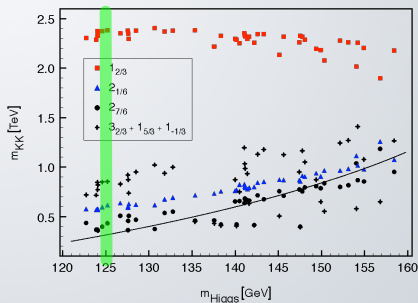
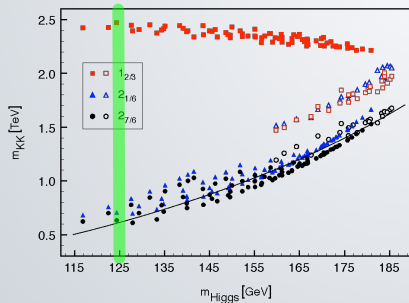


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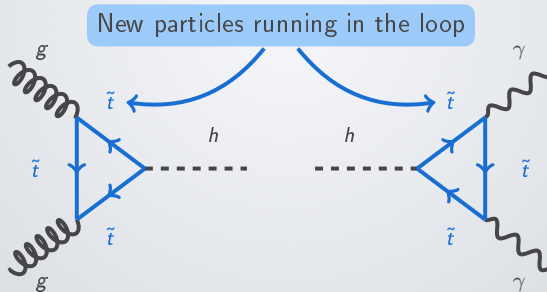
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Light resonances at the reach of the LHC!

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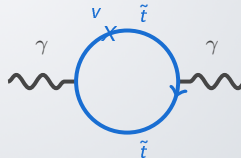
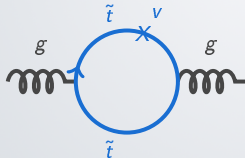
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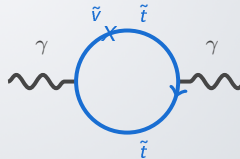
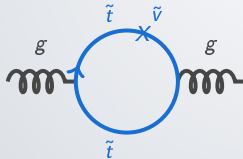
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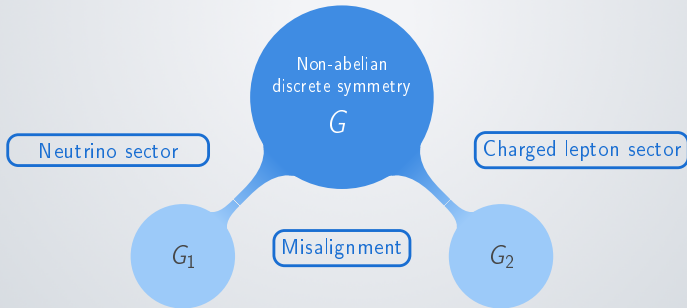
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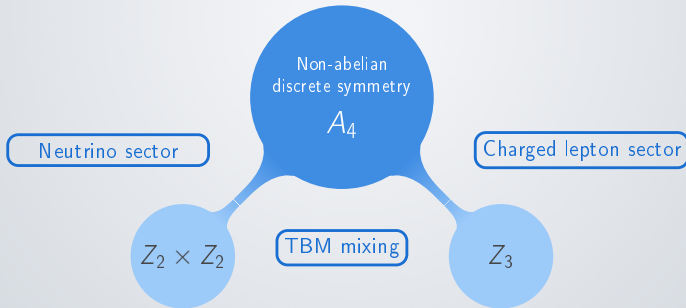
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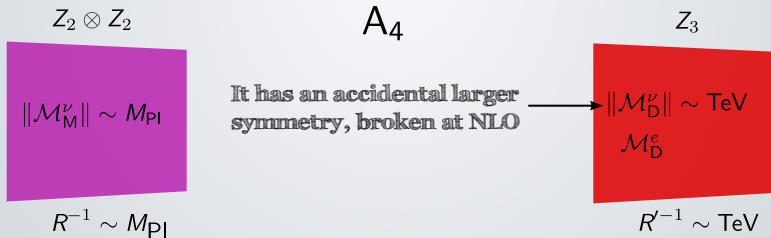


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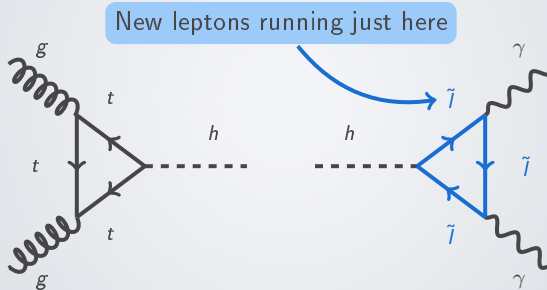
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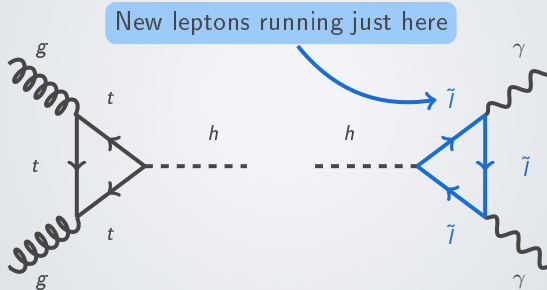
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Not true for the  $\tau$  tower

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- It is possible to describe the effects of the NP in a transparent way by only considering the

SM + light custodians

- In this case the new spectrum is made of two degenerate  $SU(2)$  doublets in both the lepton and the quark sectors

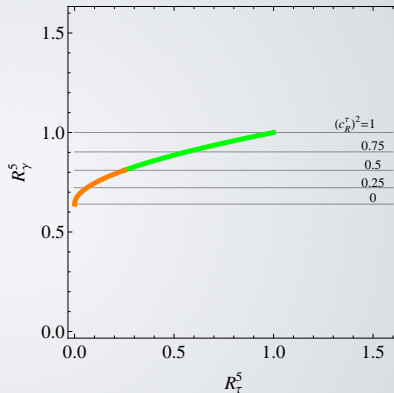
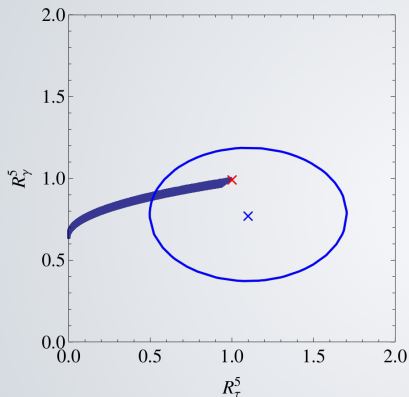
$$\begin{aligned} L_{1L,R}^{(0)} &= \begin{pmatrix} N_{1L,R}^{(0)} \\ E_{1L,R}^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} \sim 2_{-\frac{1}{2}}, & L_{2L,R}^{(0)} &= \begin{pmatrix} E_{2L,R}^{(0)} \\ Y_{2L,R}^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} \sim 2_{-\frac{3}{2}}, \\ Q_{1L,R}^{(0)} &= \begin{pmatrix} \Lambda_{1L,R}^{(0)} \\ T_{1L,R}^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} \sim 2_{+\frac{7}{6}}, & Q_{2L,R}^{(0)} &= \begin{pmatrix} T_{2L,R}^{(0)} \\ B_{2L,R}^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} \sim 2_{+\frac{1}{6}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_L^m = -y \bar{l}_L^{(0)} H \tau_R^{(0)} - y' \left[ \bar{L}_{1L}^{(0)} H + \bar{L}_{2L}^{(0)} \tilde{H} \right] \tau_R^{(0)} - M \left[ \bar{L}_{1L}^{(0)} L_{1R}^{(0)} + \bar{L}_{2L}^{(0)} L_{2R}^{(0)} \right] + \text{h.c.}$$

Mixing with composite resonances  $\Rightarrow$  angle  $s_R$

- Everything described by 3 parameters  $m_\tau, s_R, M$ , with  $v \ll M \ll \mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$
- First two generations,  $\nu$  and  $b$  behave SM-like
- Study change of Higgs production times branching

$$R_f^5 \equiv \frac{[\sigma(pp \rightarrow h) \text{Br}(h \rightarrow ff)]_{\text{MCHM}_5}}{[\sigma(pp \rightarrow h) \text{Br}(h \rightarrow ff)]_{\text{SM}}}$$



- Strong correlation allows to easily test the model

$$R_\gamma^5 \approx \frac{[\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)]_{\text{MCHM}_5}}{[\Gamma(h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)]_{\text{SM}}} \approx \left(1 - \frac{(s_R^\tau)^2}{5}\right)^2 \quad R_\tau^5 \approx \frac{[\Gamma(h \rightarrow \tau\tau)]_{\text{MCHM}_5}}{[\Gamma(h \rightarrow \tau\tau)]_{\text{SM}}} = (c_R^\tau)^4$$

- Going to larger representations, we can have a richer phenomenology

We put the  $\tau_R$  in a **10** of  $SO(5)$  and the others in **5**'s

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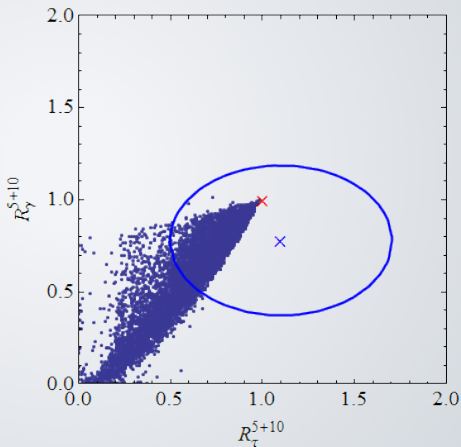
- Top custodians same as before, as we don't change the quark sector
- Relevant mass matrices

$$\mathcal{M}_E = \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} y & 0 & 0 & -\tilde{y} \\ y' & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{v} M & 0 & -\hat{y} \\ y' & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{v} M & -\hat{y} \\ 0 & \bar{y} & \bar{y} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{v} \tilde{M} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathcal{M}_Y = v \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{v} \tilde{M} & -\bar{y} & 0 \\ \hat{y} & \frac{1}{v} M & -\hat{y} \\ 0 & \bar{y} & \frac{1}{v} \tilde{M} \end{pmatrix}$$



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We consider now the effects coming from the non-linearity of the Higgs

- The rescaling of  $hVV$  couplings is fixed by the breaking  $SO(5) \rightarrow SO(4)$

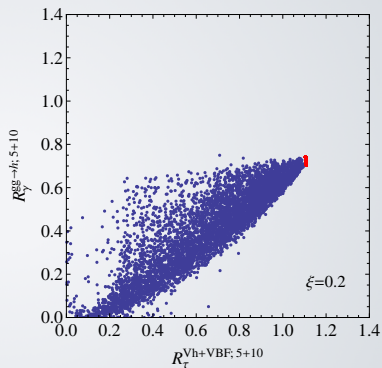
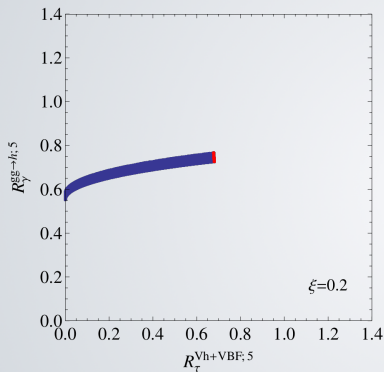
$$\kappa_W = \kappa_Z = \cos\left(\frac{v}{f_\pi}\right) \approx \sqrt{1-\xi} \quad \text{with} \quad \xi = v^2/f_\pi^2$$

- The rescaling of the different fermion couplings are model dependent

$$\kappa_f^5 \rightarrow \kappa_f^5 \cos\left(\frac{2v}{f_\pi}\right) \approx \kappa_f^5 \frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}}$$

$$\kappa_g \approx \cos\left(\frac{2v}{f_\pi}\right) / \cos\left(\frac{v}{f_\pi}\right) \approx \kappa_f^5 (1-2\xi) / \sqrt{1-\xi}$$

$$\kappa_\tau^{5+10} \rightarrow \kappa_\tau^{5+10} \cos\left(\frac{v}{f_\pi}\right) \approx \kappa_\tau^{5+10} \sqrt{1-\xi}$$



where

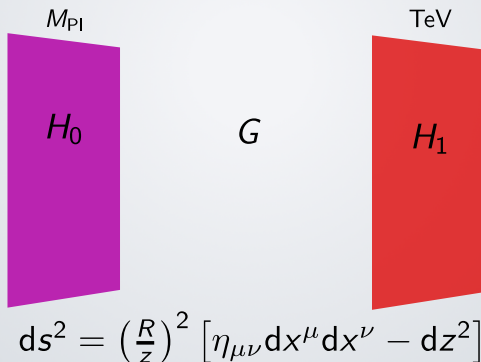
$$R_f^{i; 5, 5+10} \equiv \frac{[\sigma(i)\text{Br}(h \rightarrow ff)]_{\text{MCHM}_{5, 5+10}}}{[\sigma(i)\text{Br}(h \rightarrow ff)]_{\text{SM}}}, \quad i = gg \rightarrow h, \text{VBF}, \text{Vh}$$

- Composite Higgs and light custodians are well known partners
- Light custodians can also happen in the lepton sector ( $\tau$  custodians)
- They can lead to a distinct phenomenology with respect to previous studies of composite models
- Complementarity between direct searches for fermion partners and looking for indirect effects
- Precise measurement of Higgs couplings desirable

## Backup Slides

In WED, the fundamental scale of the theory  $\mathcal{O}(M_{\text{Pl}})$  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

The smallest irrep of the 5D Clifford algebra

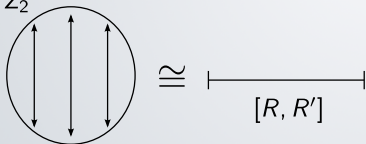
$$\{\Gamma^M, \Gamma^N\} = 2g^{MN} \quad M, N = \mu, 5$$

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

$S^1/Z_2$



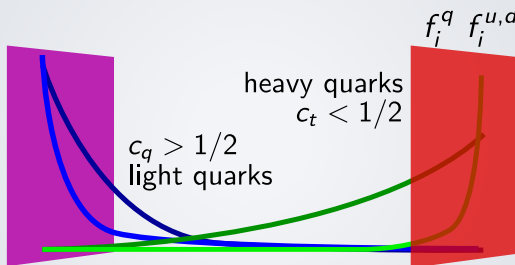
$$\psi_L(x, -\phi) = Z\psi_L(x, \phi) \quad Z^2 = 1$$

$$\psi_L(x, R^{(\prime)}) = 0 \quad \partial_z \psi_L(x, R^{(\prime)}) = 0$$

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

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

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



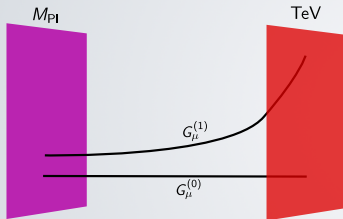
$$(m_{u,d})_{ij} \sim \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y_* f_i^q f_j^{u,d}$$

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

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



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,  $\Delta m_K$  and  $\epsilon_K$  impose some tuning.

- 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

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

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

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

$A_4$  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

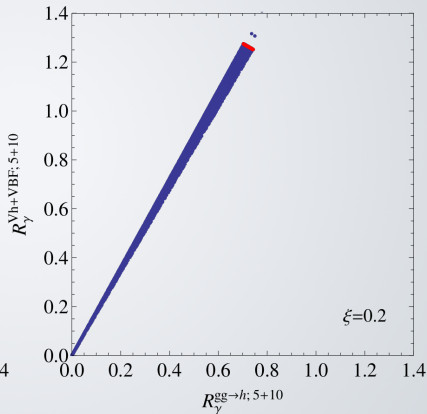
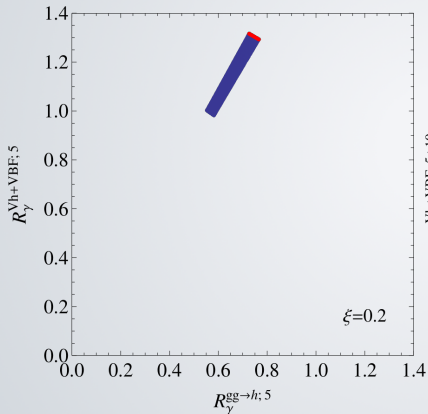
$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{1} : \quad & S = 1, \quad T = 1, \\ \mathbf{1}' : \quad & S = 1, \quad T = e^{i2\pi/3} = \omega, \\ \mathbf{1}'' : \quad & S = 1, \quad T = e^{i4\pi/3} = \omega^2,\end{aligned}$$

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

$$\mathbf{3} \otimes \mathbf{3} = \mathbf{3}_1 \oplus \mathbf{3}_2 \oplus \mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{1}' \oplus \mathbf{1}''$$

There are two important subgroups:

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



[del Águila, Carmona, Santiago, arXiv:1007.4206 ]

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

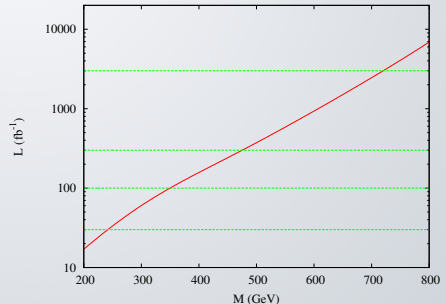
The bidoublet has, for  $c_\tau \sim 0.5$ , an ultra-light KK mode with almost degenerate leptons  $E_1, E_2, Y$  and  $N$ , with masses  $\sim 0.5$  TeV and large couplings to  $\tau$

[del Águila, Santiago, '02] [Atre, Carena, Han, Santiago, '08]

We studied pair production of  $\tau$  custodians at the LHC with

- all leptonic  $\tau$ 's (fully collimated)
- one leptonic  $Z$

$$pp \rightarrow \bar{\tau}\tau ZZ/W/H \\ \rightarrow l^+l^-l'^+l''-jj\cancel{E}_T$$



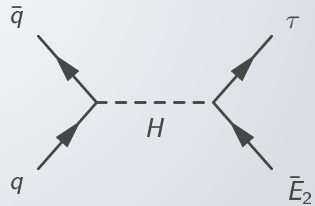
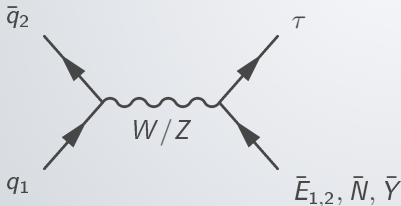
# Single or pair production?

All relevant physics can be parametrized in terms of  $m_\tau$ ,  $s_R$  and  $M$

$$s_L = s_R \frac{m_\tau}{M} \quad m_N = m_{E_1} = m_Y = M \quad m_{E_2} = \frac{M}{c_R} \sqrt{1 - s_R^2 \frac{m_\tau^2}{M^2}}$$

For  $M \geq 100$  GeV we have  $0 \approx s_L \leq 0.018$   $1 \approx c_L \geq 0.9998$

Single production



is proportional to  $s_L \approx 0$  or  $s_R$ . Pair production is proportional to  $c_L \approx 1$  or to  $c_R \approx 1 - s_R^2 \Rightarrow$  Less sensitive to  $s_R$  for not big values

The leptons with mass  $M$  always decay into a tau lepton and a SM gauge boson

$$N \rightarrow \tau W^+ \quad E_1 \rightarrow \tau Z \quad Y \rightarrow \tau W^-$$

The heavier one decays to a tau and a Higgs

$$E_2 \rightarrow \tau H \quad \text{if } c_R \geq (1 + m_W/M)^{-1}$$

We consider therefore the following channels (and the conjugated ones)

$$\begin{aligned} pp &\rightarrow \bar{E}_1 E_1 \rightarrow ZZ \bar{\tau} \tau & pp &\rightarrow \bar{E}_1 Y \rightarrow ZW^- \bar{\tau} \tau \\ pp &\rightarrow \bar{E}_1 E_2 \rightarrow ZH \bar{\tau} \tau & pp &\rightarrow \bar{E}_1 N \rightarrow ZW^+ \bar{\tau} \tau \end{aligned}$$

with fully leptonic tau decays and one  $Z$  decaying into leptons, i.e.

$$pp \rightarrow l^+ l^- l'^+ l''^- jj \cancel{E_T} \quad \text{with } l, l', l'' = e, \mu$$

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

$$pp \rightarrow l^+ l^- l'^+ l''^- jj \cancel{E}_T \quad \text{with } l, l', l'' = e, \mu$$

The background we have considered are

$$\begin{aligned} Zt\bar{t} + n \text{ jets} \quad \sigma &= 39.6 \text{ fb}, & Zb\bar{b} + n \text{ jets} \quad \sigma &= 5.85 \text{ pb}, \\ ZZ + n \text{ jets} \quad \sigma &= 2.35 \text{ pb}, & ZW + n \text{ jets} \quad \sigma &= 1.76 \text{ pb}, \\ t\bar{t} + n \text{ jets} \quad \sigma &= 55 \text{ pb}, & ZWW + n \text{ jets} \quad \sigma &= 1.9 \text{ fb}, \end{aligned}$$

with one  $Z$  and both tops decaying leptonically.

- Signal generated with MadGraph/MadEvent v4 and  $\tau$  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



14 TeV	$M = 200$ GeV	$M = 400$ GeV	$Zt\bar{t}$		$ZZ$	
Basic	0.85	0.14	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

$$p_T(l) \geq 10 \text{ GeV}, \quad p_T(j) \geq 20 \text{ GeV}, \quad \cancel{E}_T \geq 20 \text{ GeV},$$

$$|\eta_l| \leq 2.5, \quad |\eta_j| \leq 5, \quad \Delta R_{jj} \geq 0.5 \quad \Delta R_{jl} \geq 0.5$$

- **Leptons**  $|M_{l+l-} - M_Z| \leq 10 \text{ GeV}$  and  $\cos(\phi_{l+l--}) \geq -0.95$
- **$M_{jj}$**   $50 \text{ GeV} \leq M_{jj} \leq 150 \text{ GeV}$
- **Tau reconstruction** We assume fully collimation
- **Pair production**  $|M_{L_1} - M_{L_2}| \leq 50 \text{ GeV}$
- **Mass reconstruction**  $|M_{\tau l+l-} - M_L^{\text{test}}| \leq 50 \text{ GeV}$