

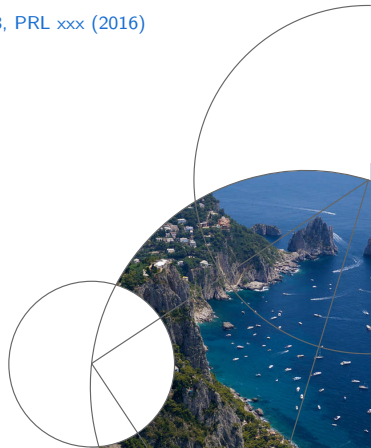
Flavor Anomalies in Composite Higgs models

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Flavor Anomalies

There are several B-physics anomalies which could point to NP

- 1 A combined $\sim 4\sigma$ anomaly on charged current semileptonic $\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)}$ decays

$$R_D^{(*)} = \frac{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau\bar{\nu})}{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)}\ell\bar{\nu})}; \quad R_D = 1.37 \pm 0.17 \quad R_D^* = 1.28 \pm 0.08$$

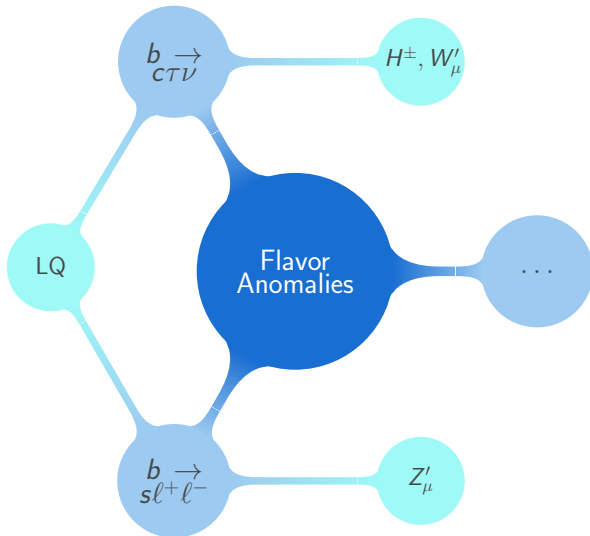
- 2 A very clean 2.6σ hint of violation of LFU in the ratio

$$R_K = \frac{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{K}\mu^+\mu^-)}{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow \bar{K}e^+e^-)} \Bigg|_{q^2 \in [1,6] \text{ GeV}} = 0.745_{-0.074}^{+0.090} \pm 0.036$$

- 3 Other $b \rightarrow sl^+l^-$ observables like P'_5
- 4 $h \rightarrow \mu\tau, \dots$

NP explanations

There has been a lot of model building activity



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I will take the (minimal) composite Higgs model as a case study

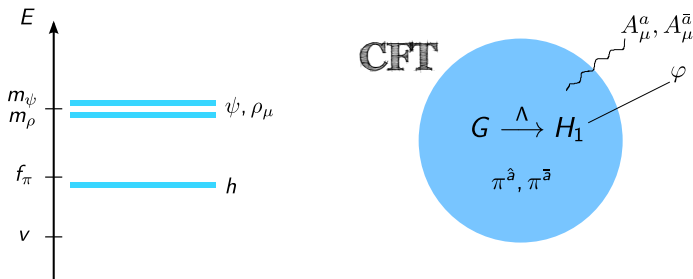
The case for R_K

From the NP point of view, R_K stands out for several reasons

- 1 It is a very clean observable!
 - Perturbative and non-perturbative QCD contributions cancel
 - $\log(m_\ell)$ enhanced QED corrections are at the $\mathcal{O}(1\%)$ level [[Bordone, Isidori, Pattori, 16](#)]
- 2 It is a loop level effect in the SM
- 3 It probes a somehow fundamental feature of the SM: lepton flavor universality!

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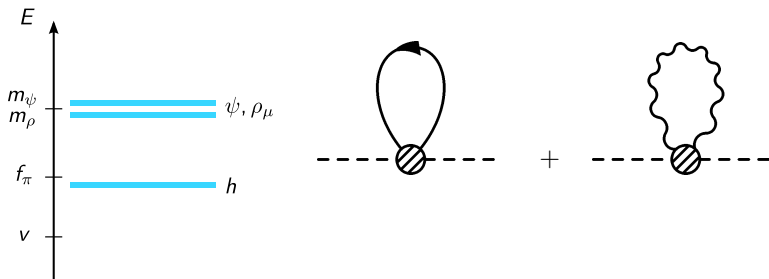
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Talking to Fermions

A priori, we have two different ways of introducing the mixing with the elementary fermions:

- 1 Quadratically, [à la Technicolor](#)

$$\frac{\lambda}{\Lambda^\gamma} \bar{q}_L t_R \mathcal{O}(x), \quad [\mathcal{O}(x)] = 1 + \gamma \implies m_q \sim f \frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{N}} \left(\frac{\mu}{\Lambda}\right)^\gamma$$

- 2 Linearly, [via partial compositeness](#) [Kaplan '91]

$$\frac{\lambda_L}{\Lambda^{\gamma_L}} q_L \mathcal{O}_L(x), \quad \frac{\lambda_R}{\Lambda^{\gamma_R}} t_R \mathcal{O}_R(x), \quad [\mathcal{O}_{L,R}(x)] = 5/2 + \gamma_{L,R}$$
$$\implies m_q \sim v \frac{\sqrt{N}}{4\pi} \left(\frac{\mu}{\Lambda}\right)^{\gamma_L + \gamma_R} \quad \text{or} \quad m_q \sim v \frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{N}} \sqrt{\gamma_L \gamma_R}$$

Very well mimicked by Randal-Sundrum models!

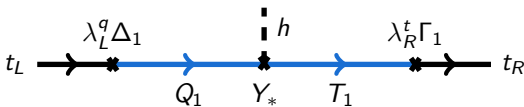
We could also have both at the same time [\[Cacciapaglia et al '15\]](#)

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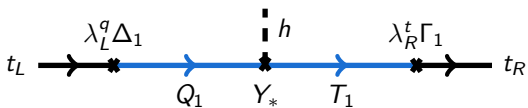
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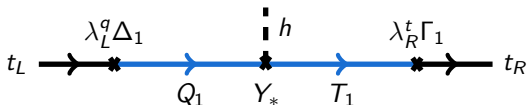
$$\sim g_\rho^2 / m_\rho^2 \epsilon^i \epsilon^j \epsilon^k \epsilon^l$$



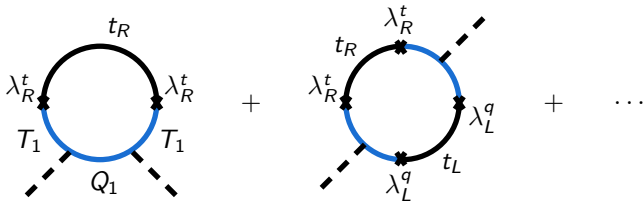
$$\sim g_\rho \epsilon^i \epsilon^j v / m_\rho^2 (g_\rho^2 / (16\pi^2))$$

Higgs mass

- The gauge contribution is aligned in the direction that preserves the gauge symmetry [Witten '83]
- However, the linear mixings needed to generate the fermion masses



will be also responsible for a viable EWSB



Light Top Partners

The large value of the top quark mass

$$m_{\text{top}} \sim \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} Y_* \frac{\lambda_L^q \Delta_1}{M_Q} \frac{\lambda_R^t \Gamma_1}{M_T}$$

make the top contribution (typically) responsible for triggering the EWSB [Contino, da Rold, Pomarol, '06]

$$V(h) \cong \frac{N_c m_*^4}{16\pi^2} [\alpha \sin^2(h/f_\pi) - \beta \sin^2(h/f_\pi) \cos^2(h/f_\pi)]$$

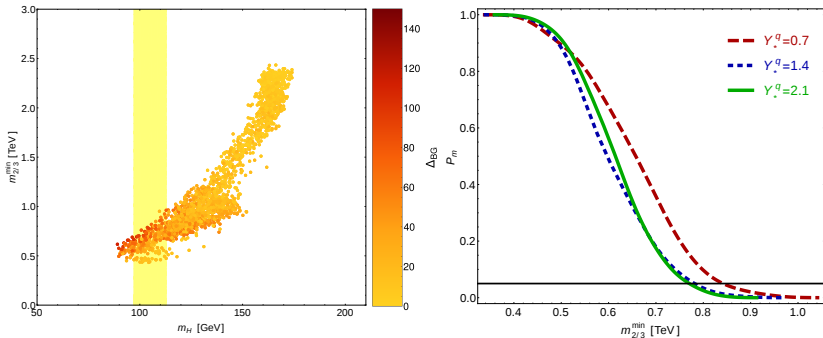
Since the Higgs mass scales with

$$\sqrt{\beta} \sim |\lambda|^2 / g_*^2$$

We expect to have anomalously light top partners $M_\Psi \ll m_* = g_* f_\pi$

Light Top Partners at the LHC

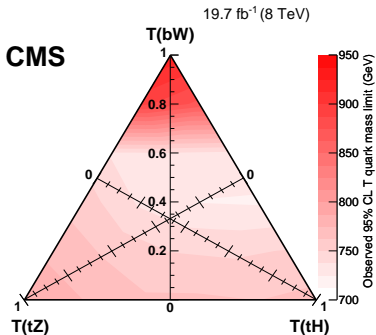
We can see e.g. the MCHM₅, [[AC, Goertz, JHEP 1505 \(2015\) 002](#)]



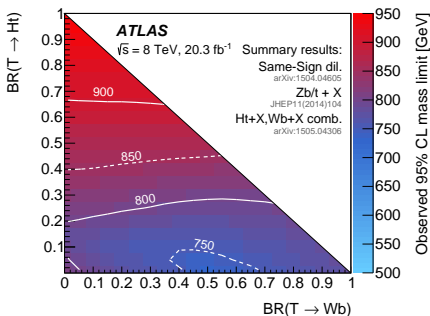
$f_\pi = 0.8$ TeV, $g_\psi \sim 4.4$. $Y_q^* = 0.7$ is the maximum allowed "Yukawa"

Light Top Partners at the LHC

This leads to some tension with current top partner searches performed by ATLAS and CMS



[arXiv:1509.04177](https://arxiv.org/abs/1509.04177)

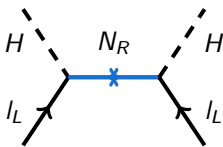


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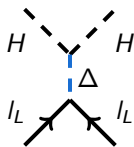
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Leptons are typically disregarded since one could naively expect $\epsilon^\ell \ll 1$.
However,

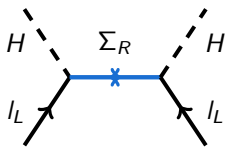
- They are not just a scaled version of the quark sector
- The mixing angles in the lepton sector are highly non-hierarchical
- Neutrinos could have Majorana masses!



type - I



type - II



type - III

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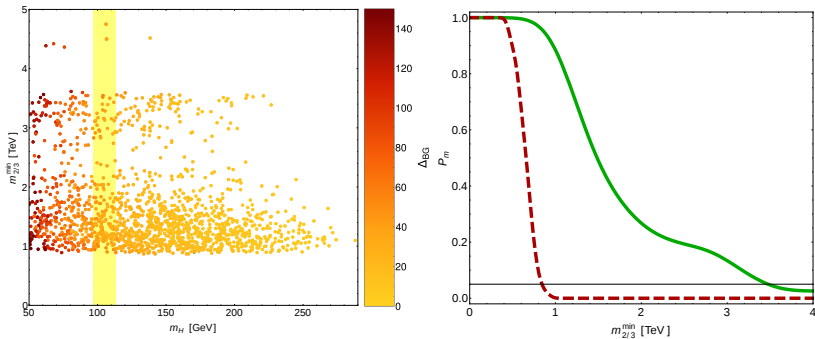
$$\mathcal{M}_e \sim v \epsilon_{eL} \Rightarrow \epsilon_{eL} \ll \epsilon_{\mu L} \ll \epsilon_{\tau L} \ll 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon_{\ell L} \epsilon_{\ell R} \sim \text{constant}$$

and thus $0 \ll \epsilon_{\tau R} \ll \epsilon_{\mu R} \ll \epsilon_{eR}$

Lifting the top partners

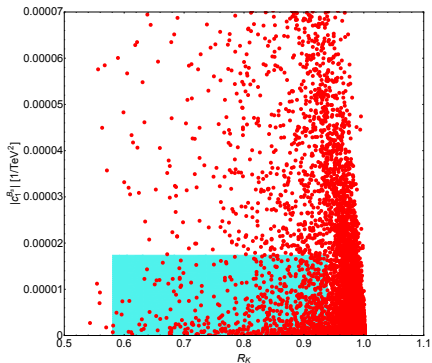
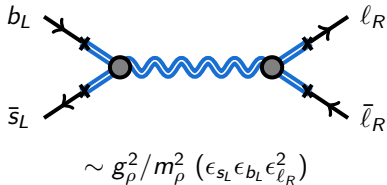
This is really interesting since

- The three charged lepton RH fields will contribute to the potential
- Since the contribution to $\sin^4(h/f)$ from the **14** arises at $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$, moderate degrees of compositeness can have an impact



Violation of LFU

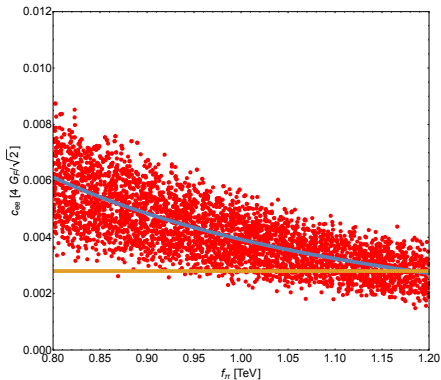
Since $\epsilon_{\tau R} \ll \epsilon_{\mu R} \ll \epsilon_{eR}$, we predict violation of LFU



Violation of LFU

The biggest tension arises from EWPD on four-fermion interactions

$$(e_R \gamma_\mu e_R)(e_R \gamma^\mu e_R) \sim \frac{g_\rho^2}{m_\rho^2} (\epsilon_{e_R})^4$$

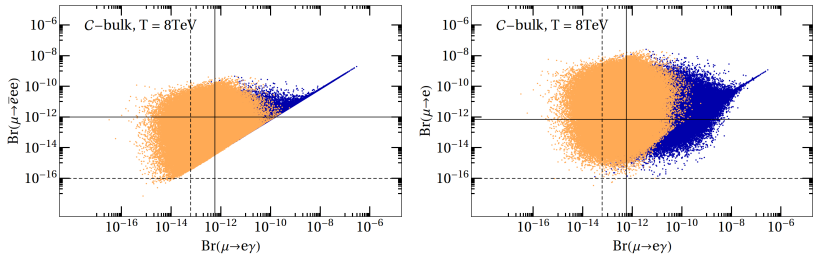


What about LFV?

In principle, one expects to generate dangerous FCNCs leading to extremely constrained lepton flavor violating processes

$$\mu \rightarrow e\gamma, \quad \mu \rightarrow 3e, \quad \tau \rightarrow \mu\gamma, \quad \dots$$

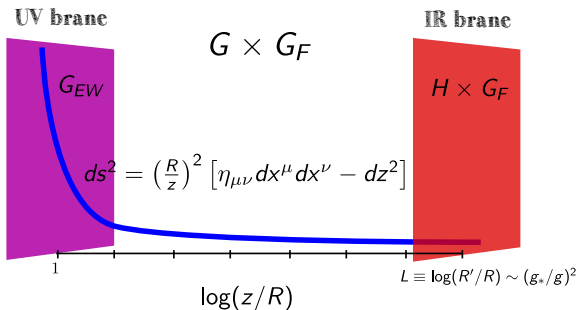
Some of them are an issue even for elementary leptons!



[Beneke, Moch, Rohrwild, arXiv:1508.01705]

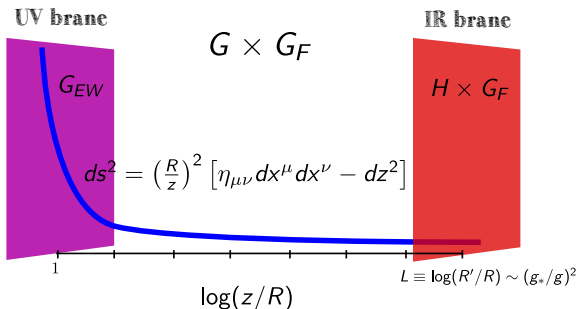
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Since we only have two 5D multiplets: $\zeta_{\ell L} \sim \mathbf{5}$ and $\zeta_{\ell R} \sim \mathbf{14}$, we make them triplets of $G_F = SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$

$$\zeta_L \sim (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}) \quad \zeta_R \sim (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{3})$$

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Then, all the flavor mixing comes via the Majorana masses!

Conclusions

- Complementing the bottom-up approach with some top-down perspective can be helpful
- In CHMs, the absence of top partners can be translated into \perp LFU!
- Therefore, R_K could be the first probe of the dynamics of EWSB
- Departing from the minimal model (750?) can also give us additional dof which may play a relevant role in other anomalies!

Thanks!