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Abstract: <span>The recent discovery of the Higgs boson is a fundamental advance in particle physics. This talk gives a theorist's perspective of the significance of this discovery. The Higgs boson was proposed in the 1960s, but it is best understood in the context of the quest to understand the weak interactions, which began with Fermi's theory of weak interactions almost 80 years ago. This has led to three very different paradigms for the structure of fundamental interactions at the TeV scale: supersymmetry, compositeness/extra dimensions, and anthropic selection. The Large Hadron Collider is the experimentum crucis for deciding between these different possible universes, and the discovery of the Higgs is a crucial clue. This talk will describe these paradigms, the implications of the Higgs discovery for them, and the outlook for further discoveries that would decide between them.<br><br></span>



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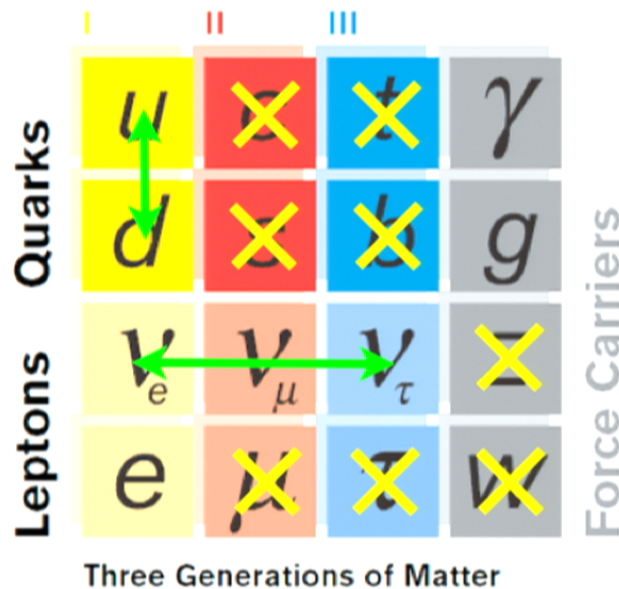
# Outline

- The story of the weak interactions  
from Fermi theory to the Higgs discovery
- Puzzles lead to three possible universes
- The LHC is the experiment to decide between them
- What we learn from the Higgs

# Weak Interactions

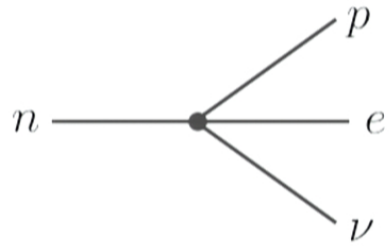
Only interaction that can change particle type

Responsible for the decay of most known elementary particles...



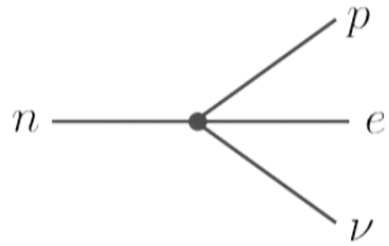
...and nuclear  $\beta$  decays and mixing of neutrinos

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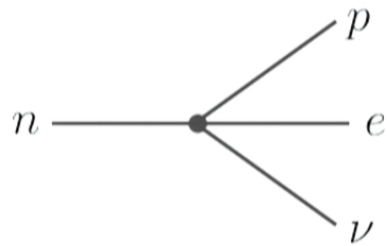
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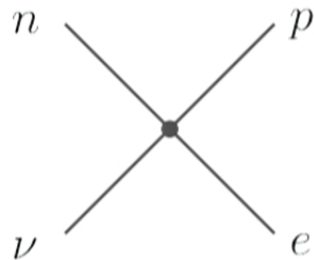


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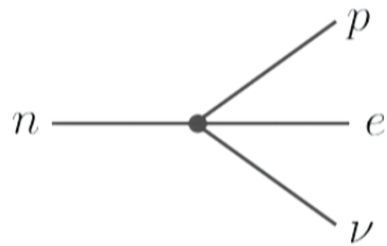


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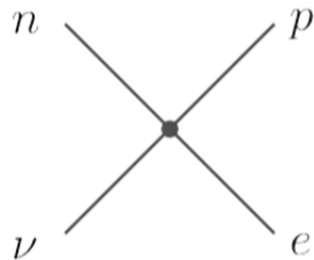
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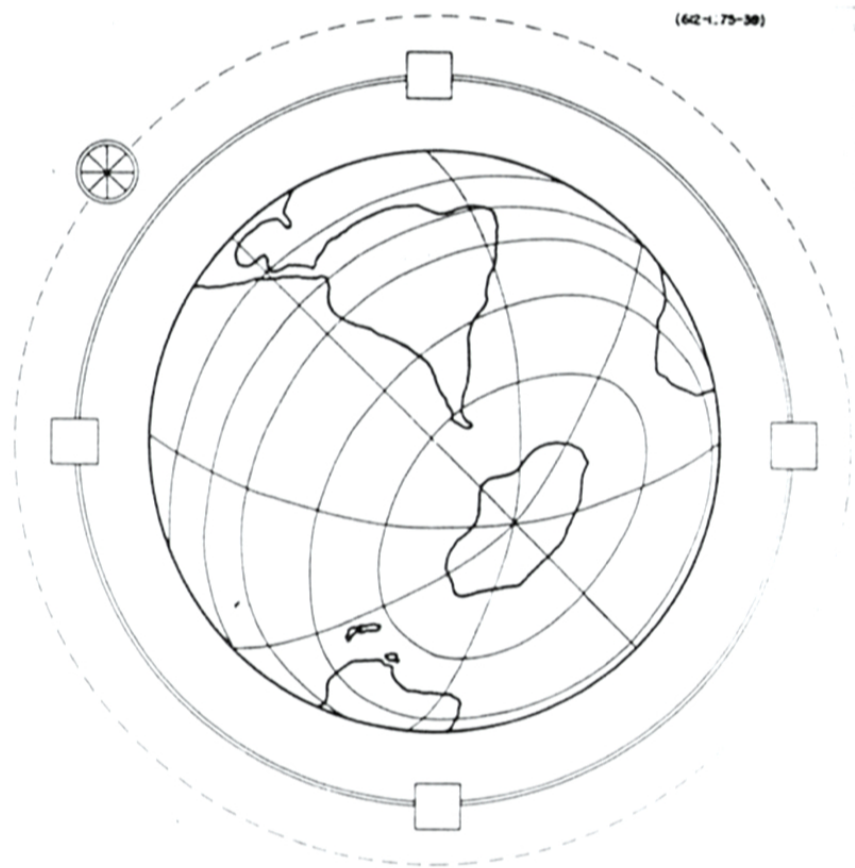
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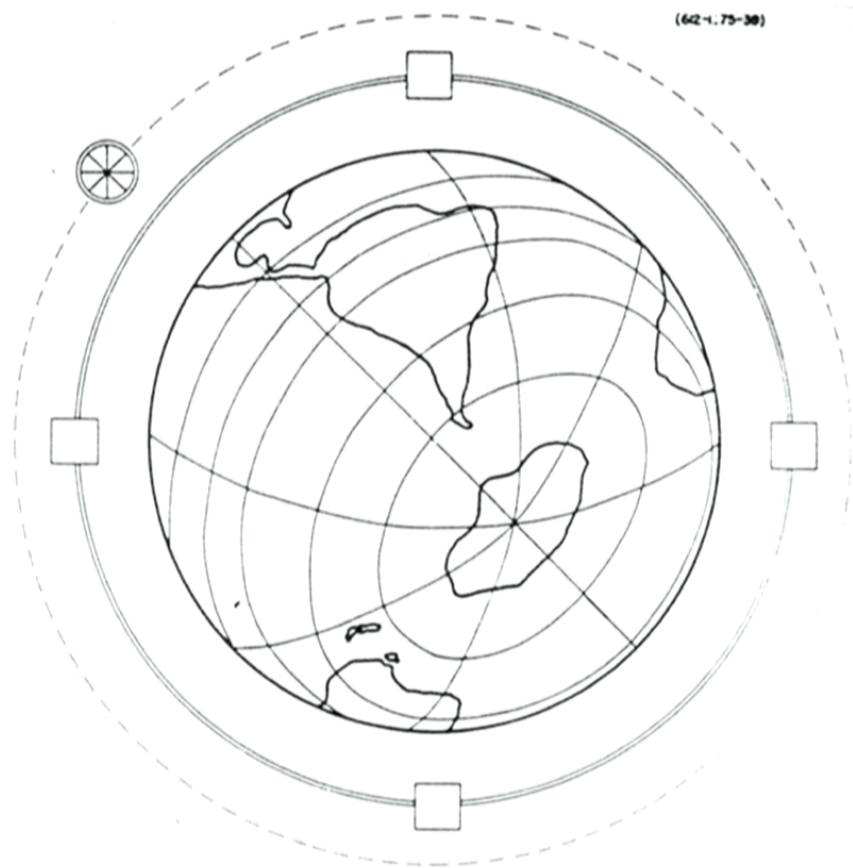
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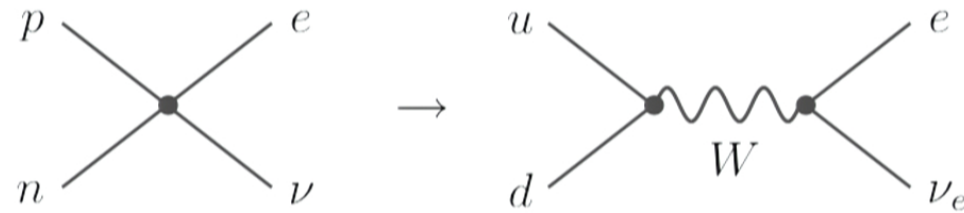
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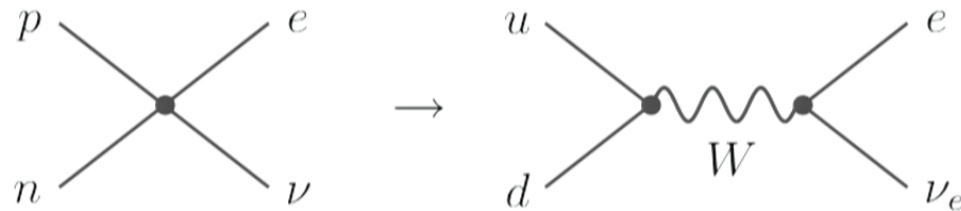
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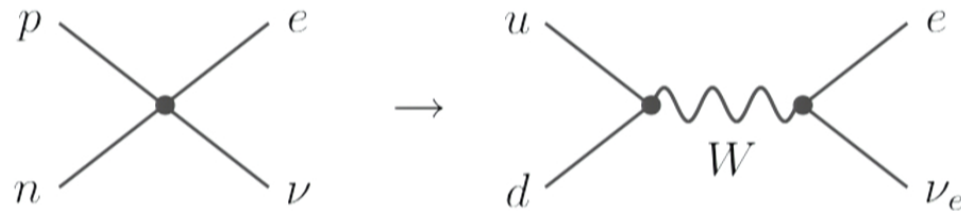


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Leptons	$\nu_e$	$\nu_\mu$	$\nu_\tau$	$Z$
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	Three Generations of Matter			Force Carriers

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ATLAS



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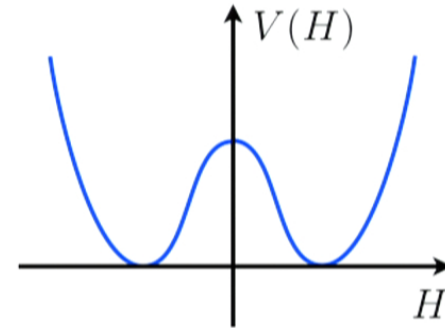
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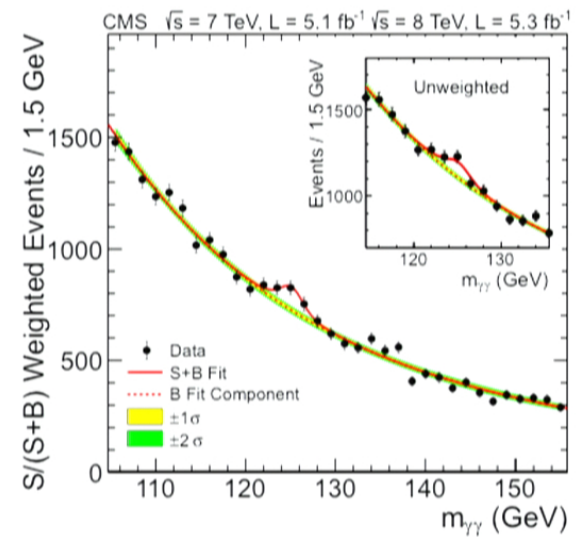
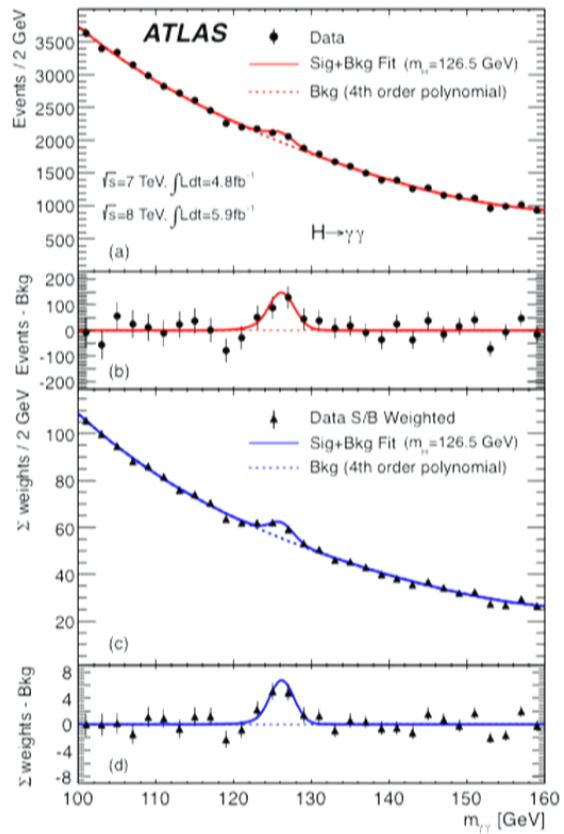
$m \neq 0$  requires fermion  $\leftrightarrow$  antifermion mixing  
no antifermion with same charges

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# Higgs Boson Discovery!



New York Times, 7/4/12



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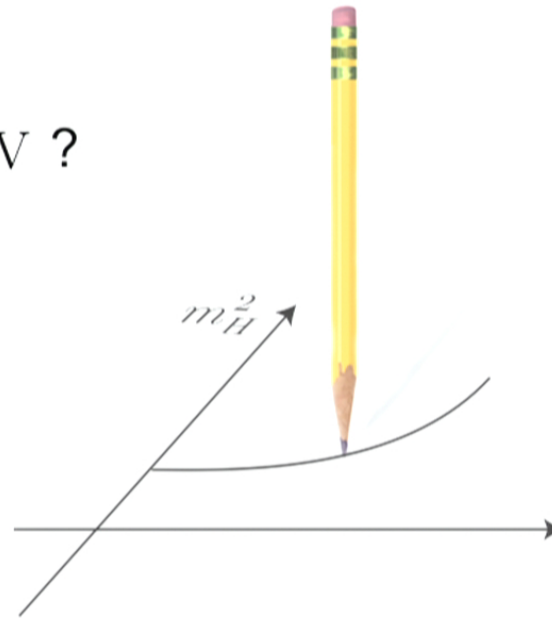
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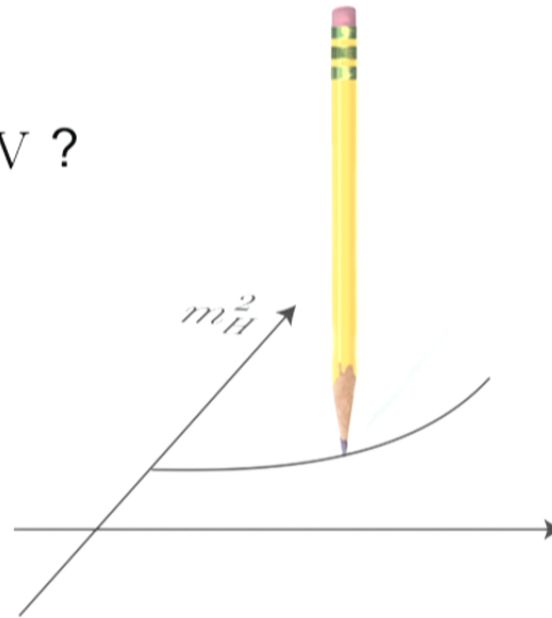
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Motivates new physics beyond the standard model

# Three Universes

Three completely different paradigms  
for addressing naturalness problem

- Supersymmetry “Logos”
- Compositeness/extra dimensions “Stratus”
- Multiverse “Chaos”

# Supersymmetry

Eliminate UV sensitivity with new spacetime symmetry

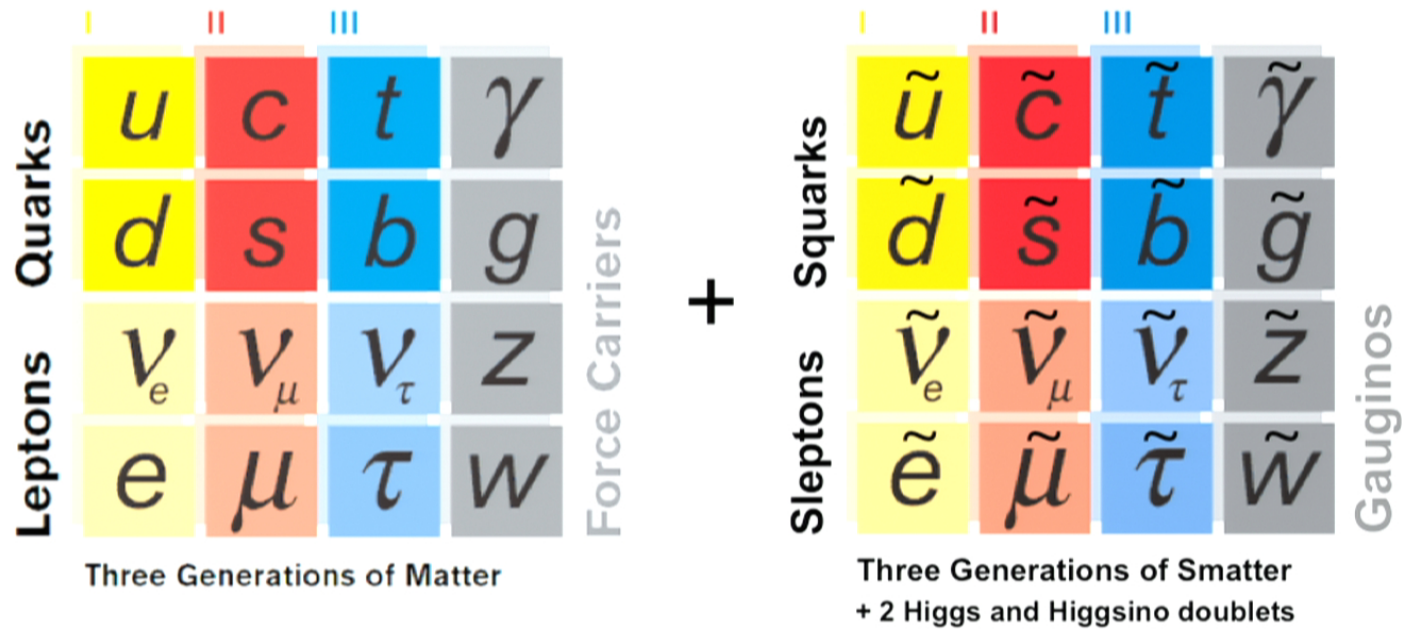
$$[Q, H] = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} Q|\text{boson}\rangle = |\text{fermion}\rangle \\ Q|\text{fermion}\rangle = |\text{boson}\rangle \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow m_{\text{boson}} = m_{\text{fermion}}$$

$m_{\text{fermion}} \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$  extra “chiral” symmetry

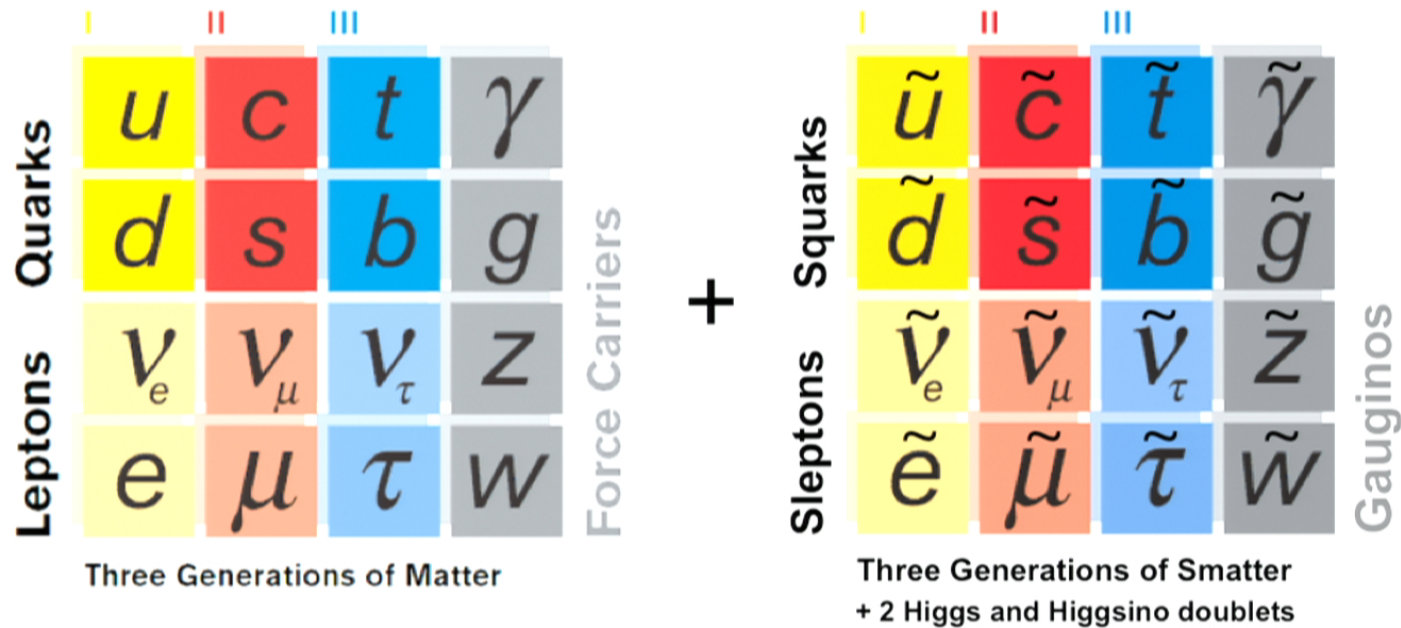
$\Rightarrow m_H^2 \ll M^2$  natural

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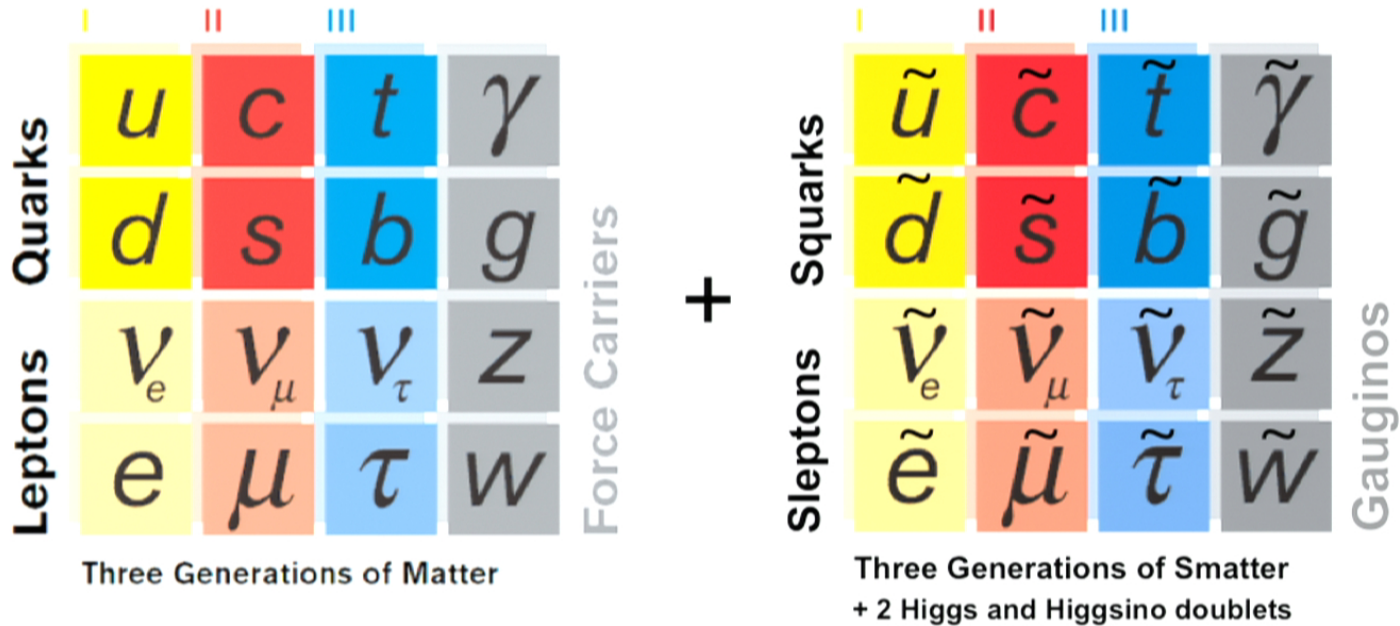


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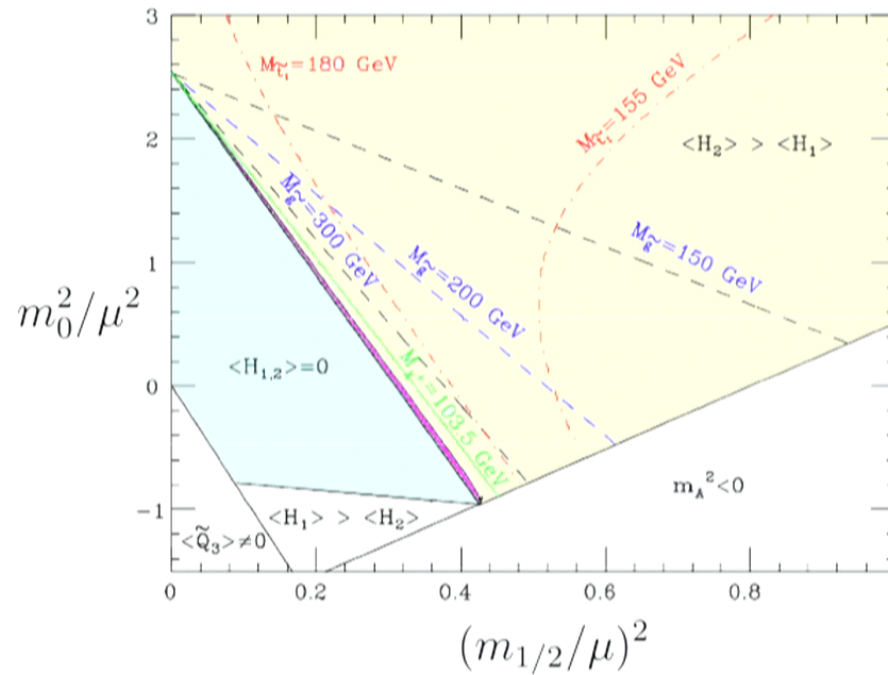
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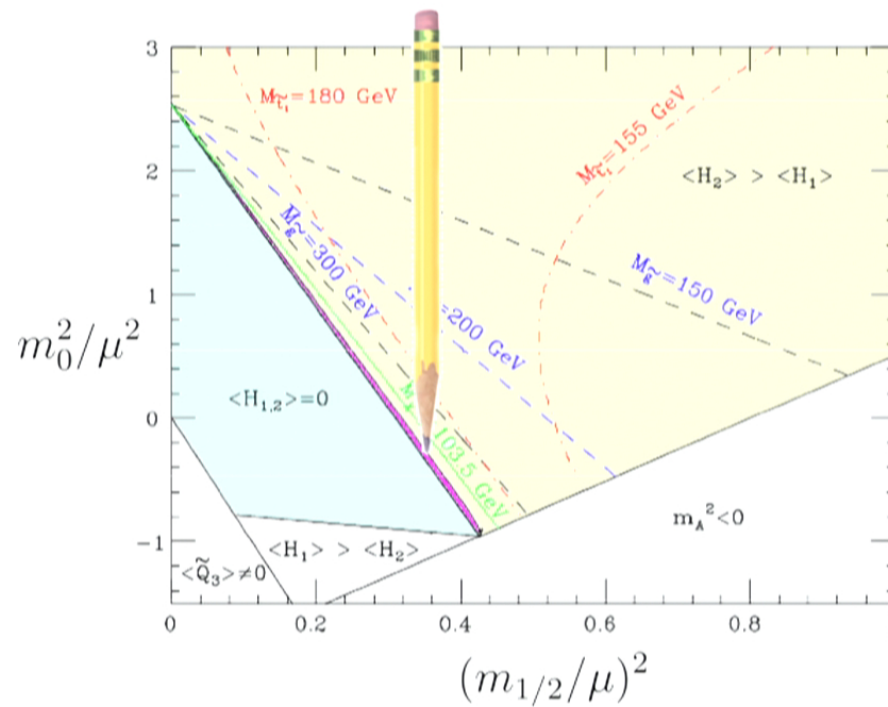
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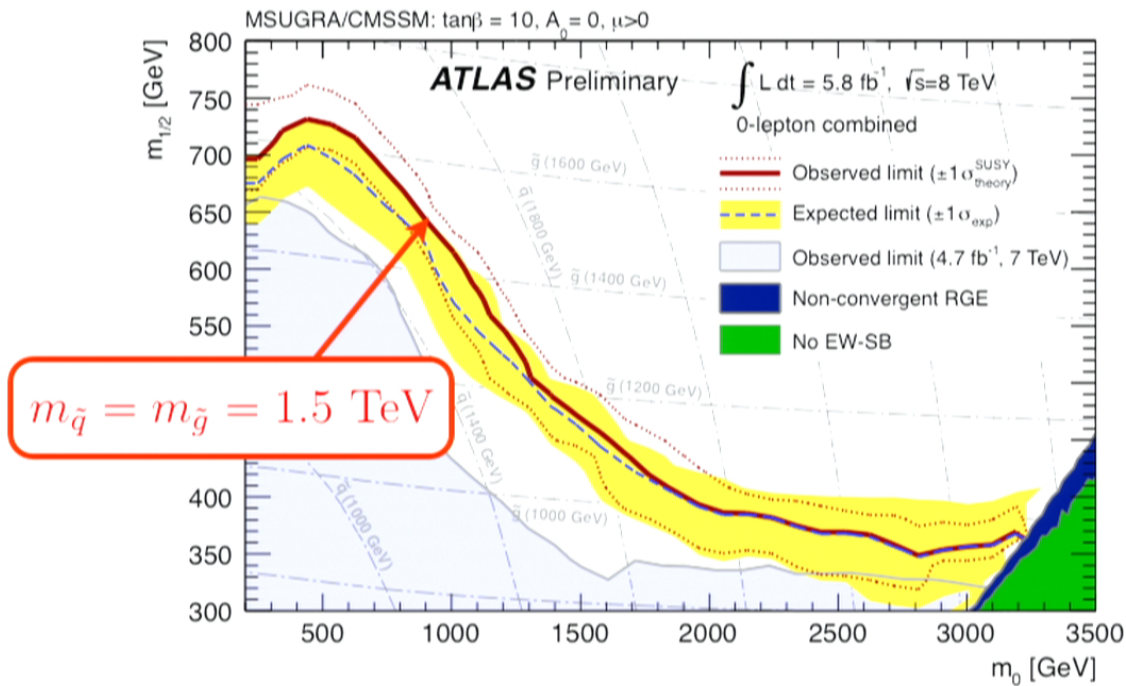
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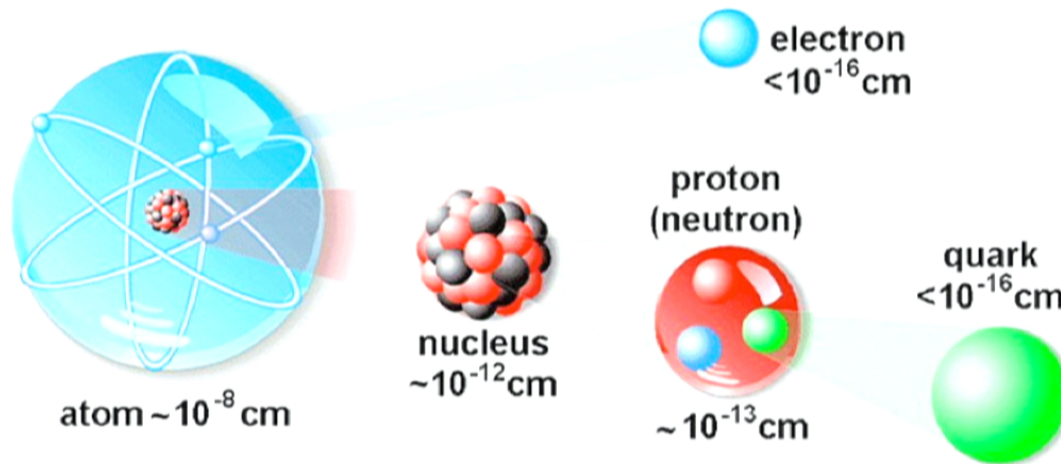
# LHC Searches

Search for pair creation of gluino and squarks decaying to standard model particles + LSP



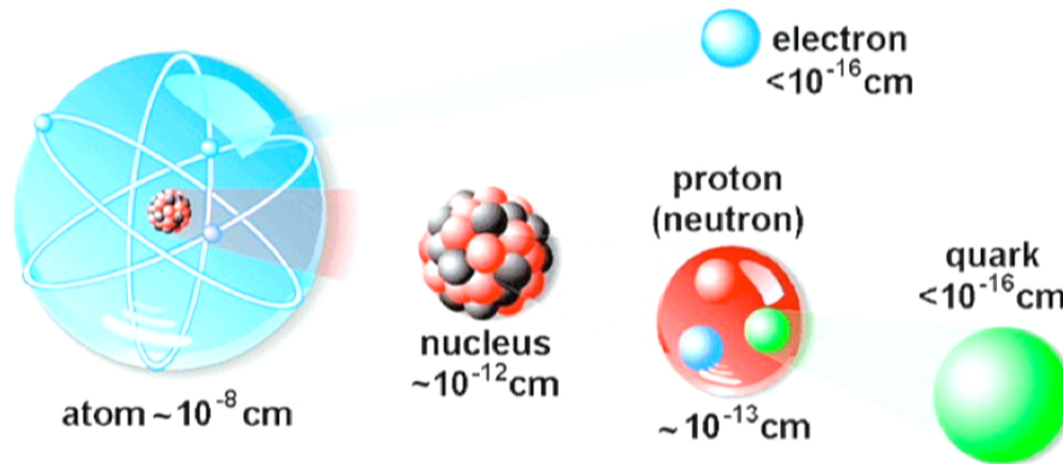
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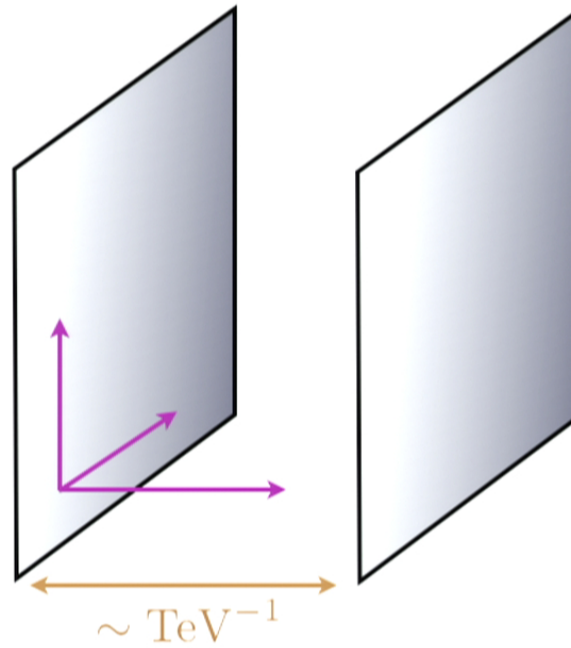
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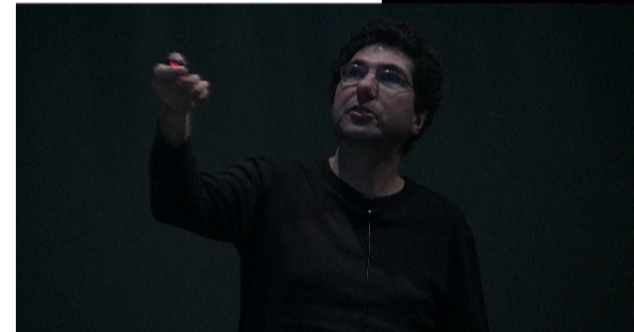
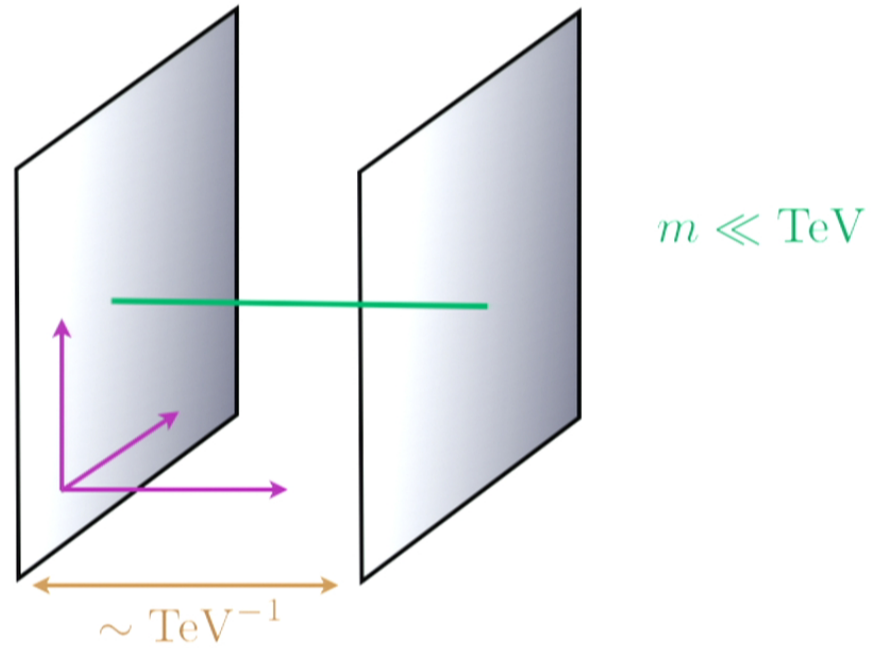
TeV scale could be associated with new substructure

Suggests TeV resonances (QCD...)

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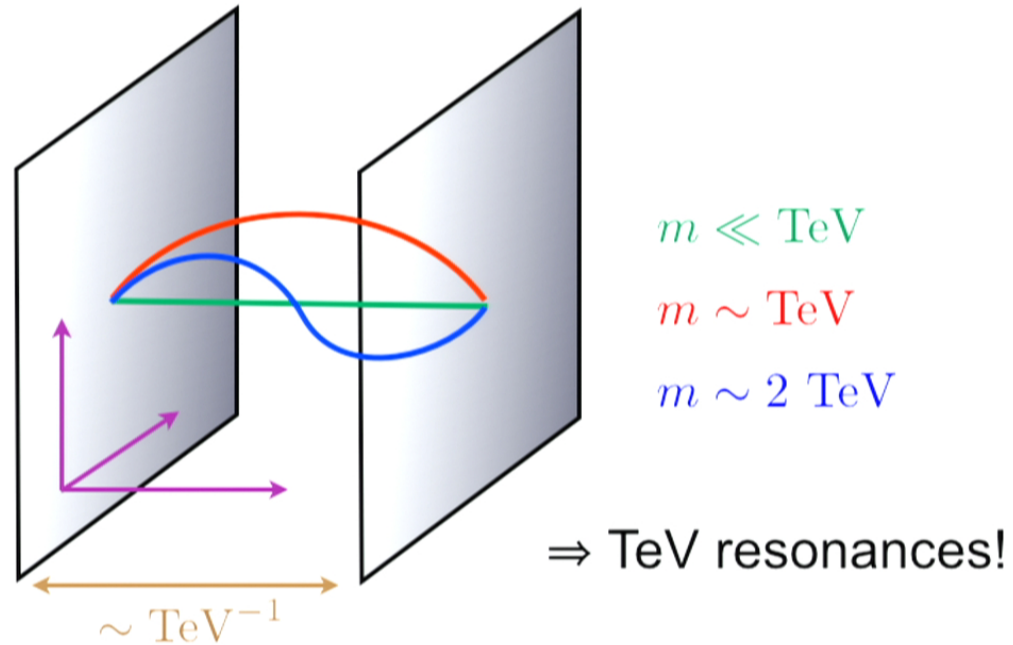


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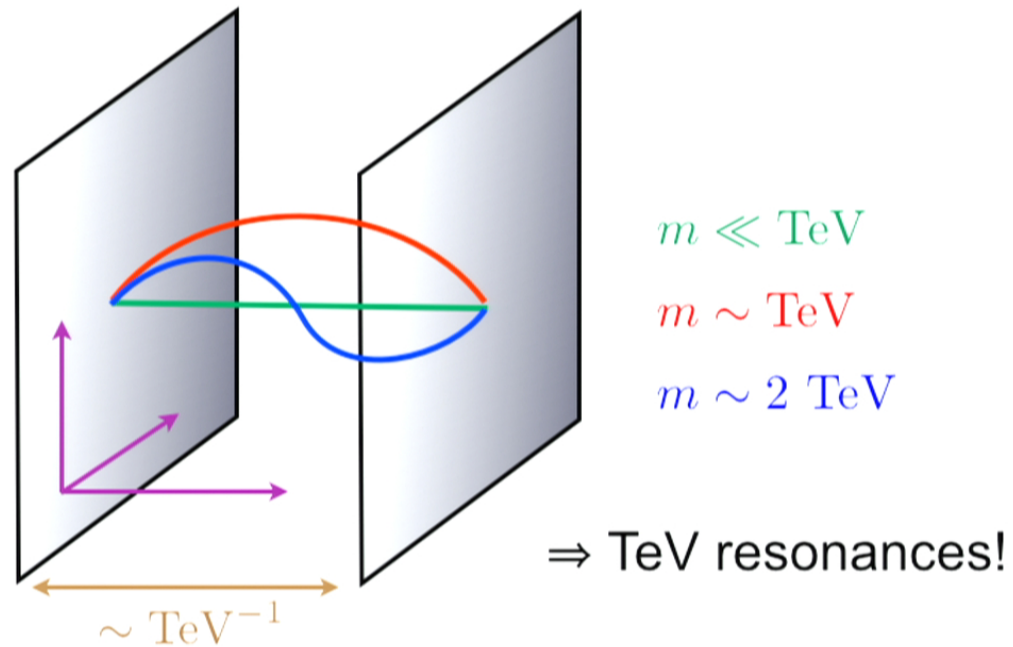


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# Stratus

From the Latin: a cover or spread; low-lying clouds



# Technicolor

Originally based on QCD, many variants

No light Higgs boson



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# Composite Higgs

Light Higgs can arise as approximate Nambu-Goldstone boson



# Models and Signals

“Composite Higgs”

$v \simeq 3f \Rightarrow 10\%$  tuning

$\Rightarrow$  strong resonances at  $\sim 3$  TeV  
decaying to Higgs bosons

“Little Higgs”

Additional particles  $\Rightarrow$  bottom-up naturalness

$\Rightarrow$  top partners

“Only” Higgs found so far...

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Can't be forbidden by any symmetry

No known solution of this naturalness problem!

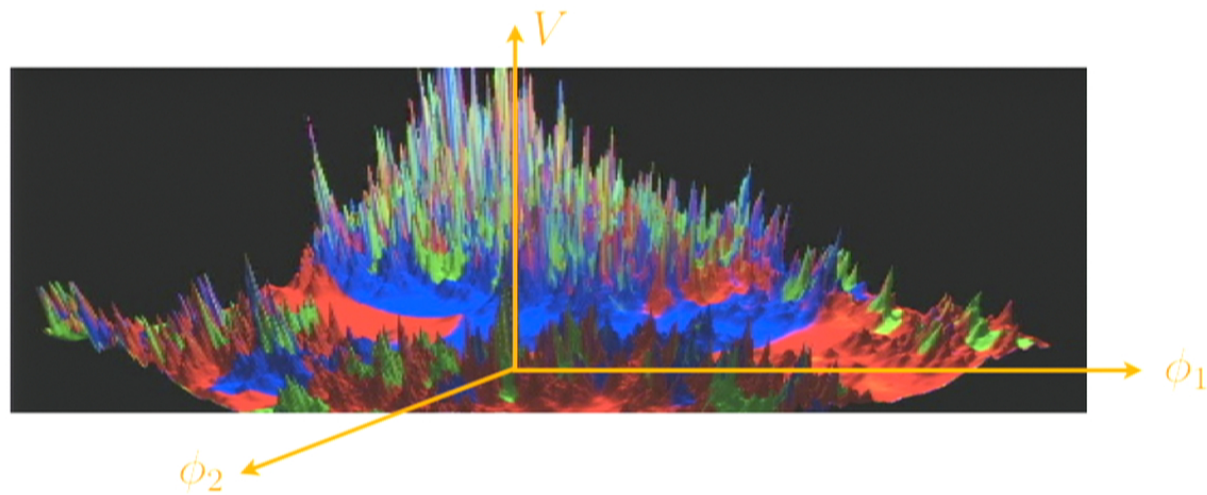
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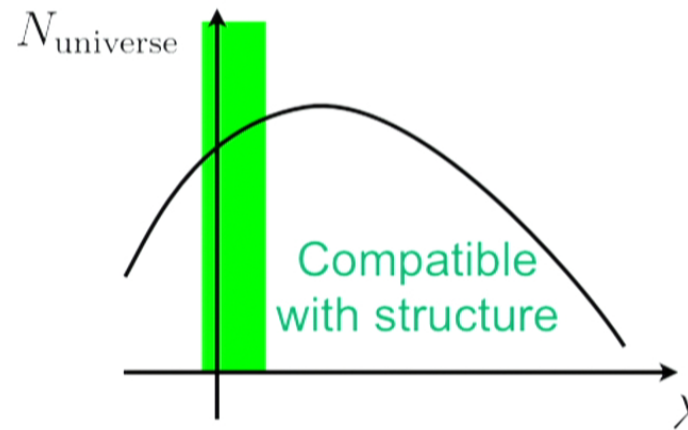
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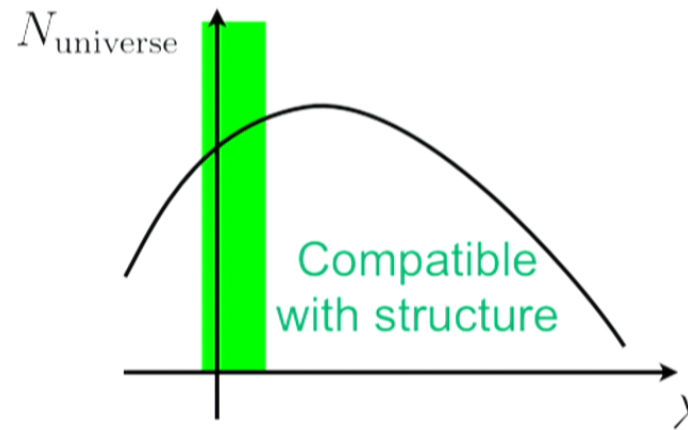
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Nonzero cosmological constant observed in 1998

## Anthropic Bound on the Cosmological Constant

Steven Weinberg

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(Received 5 August 1987)

In recent cosmological models, there is an "anthropic" upper bound on the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ . It is argued here that in universes that do not recollapse, the only such bound on  $\Lambda$  is that it should not be so large as to prevent the formation of gravitationally bound states. It turns out that the bound is quite large. A cosmological constant that is within 1 or 2 orders of magnitude of its upper bound would help with the missing-mass and age problems, but may be ruled out by galaxy number counts. If so, we may conclude that anthropic considerations do not explain the smallness of the cosmological constant.



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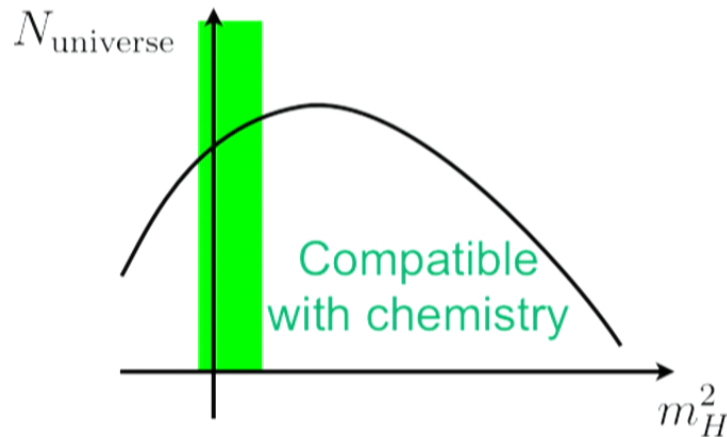
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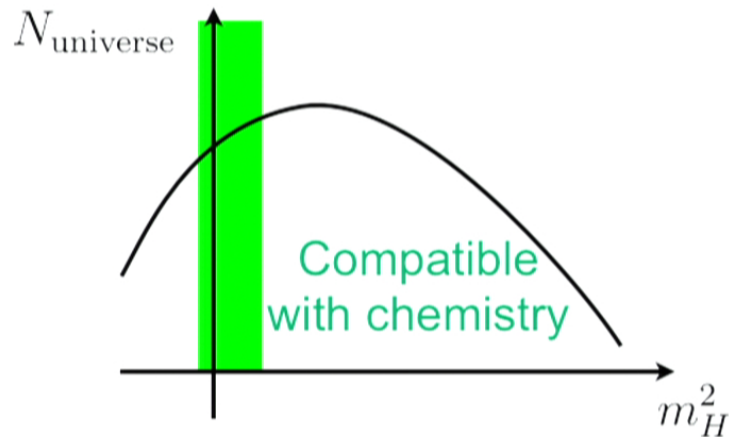
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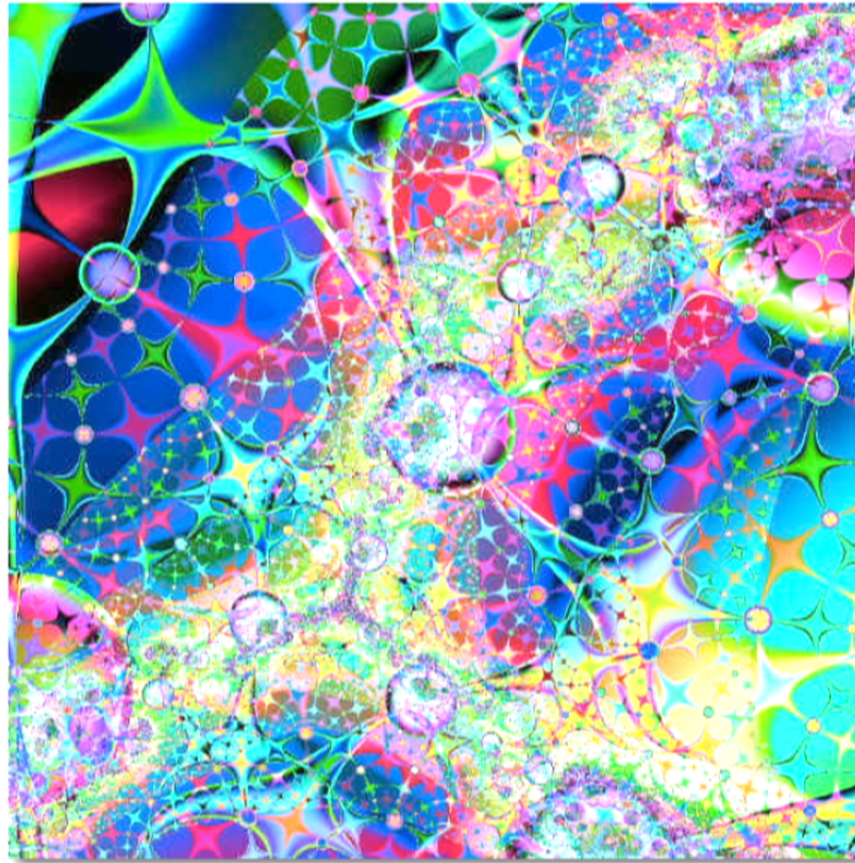
If Yukawa couplings are allowed to vary,  
we can have complex nuclei even for

$$m_H^2 \rightarrow M_{\text{Planck}}^2$$

Can we verify/falsify this picture?

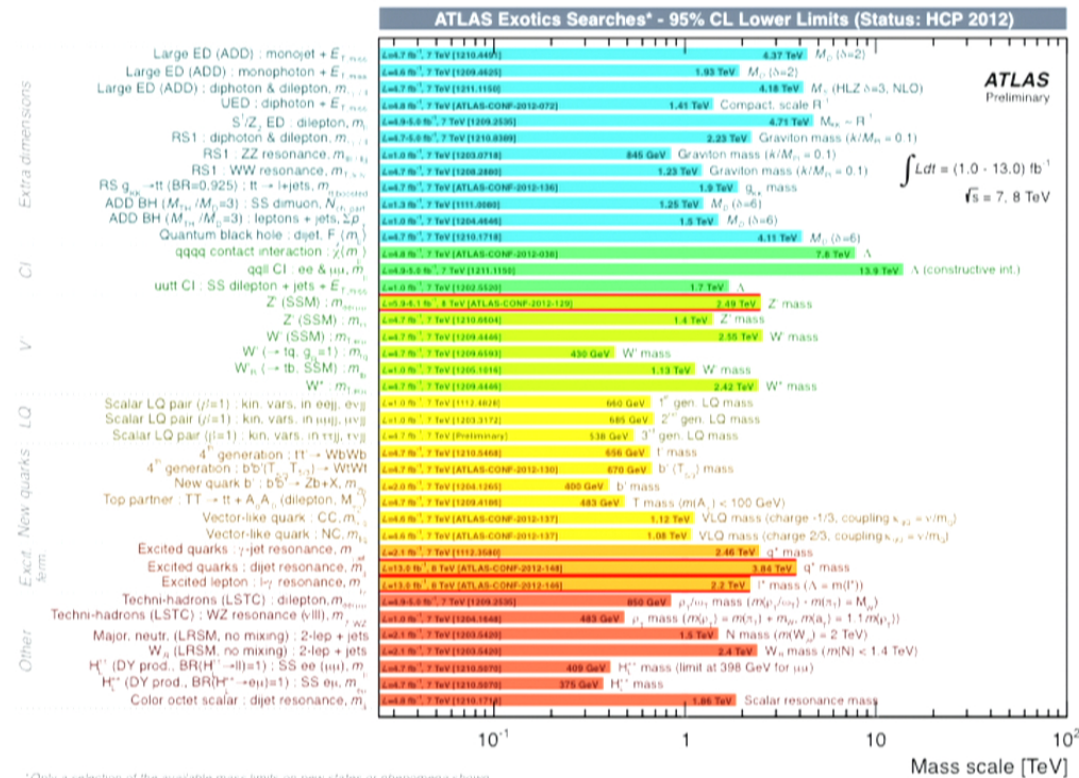
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From the Greek: formlessness, confusion



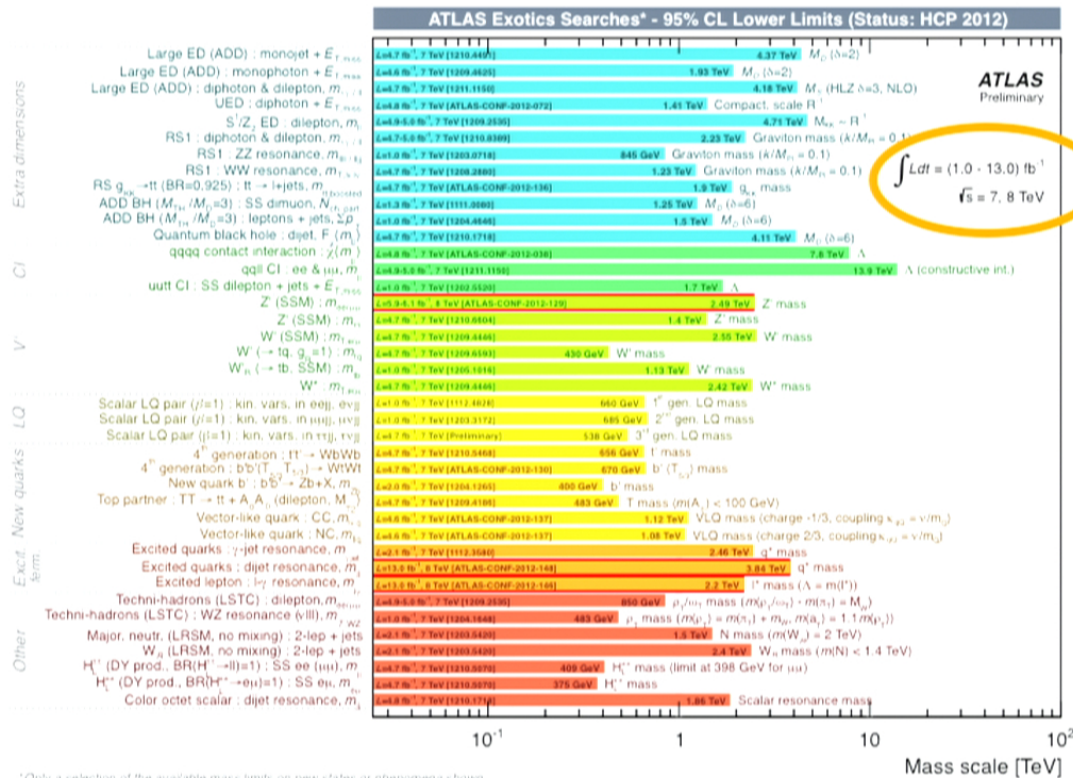
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Higgs physics different in three universes

Multiverse/tuning

standard model Higgs

SUSY

additional Higgs bosons

⇒ modified Higgs couplings  
from mixing

Composite Higgs

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Higgs production, decay sensitive to couplings

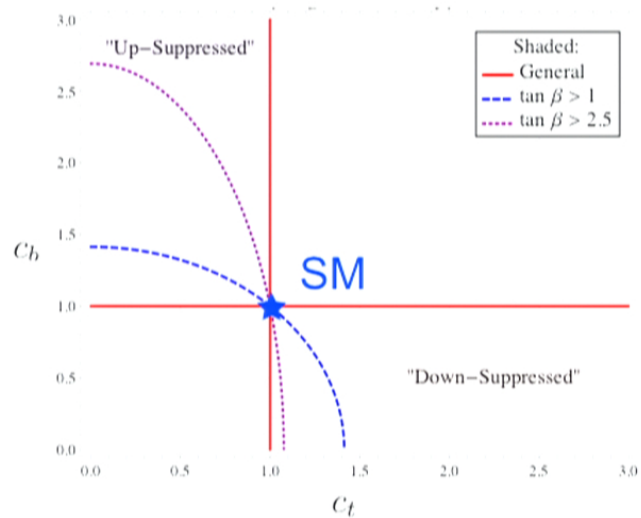
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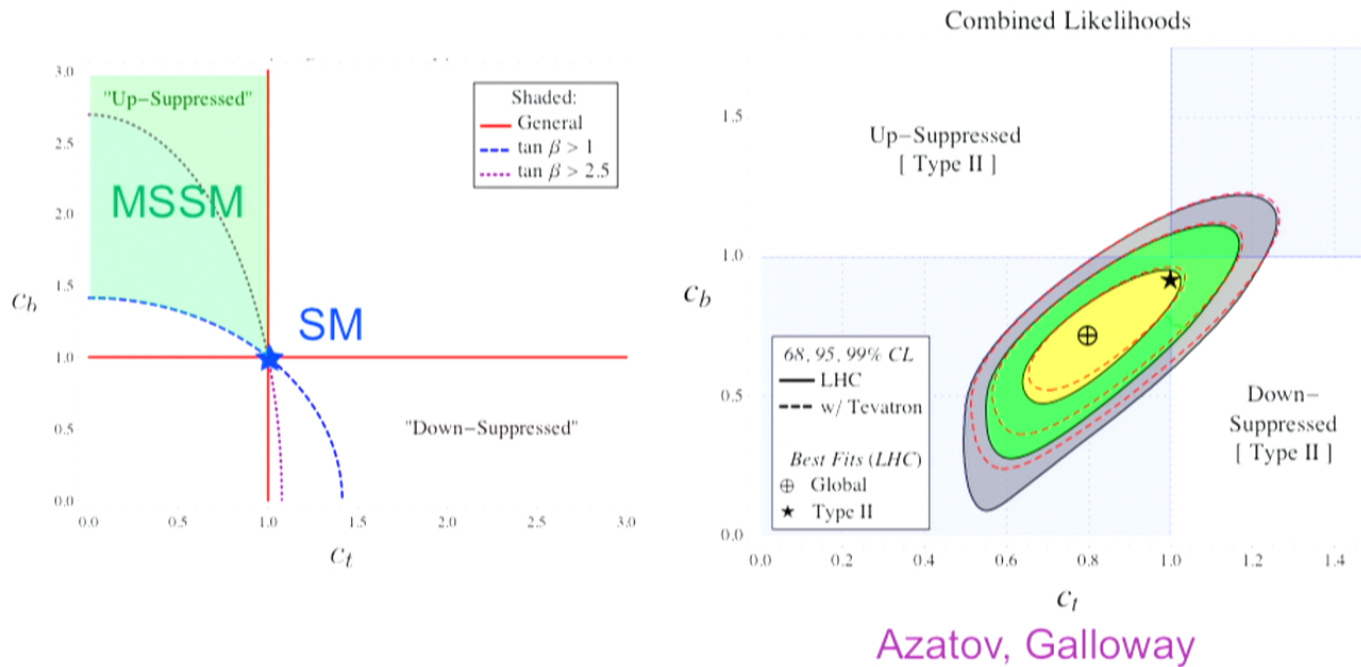
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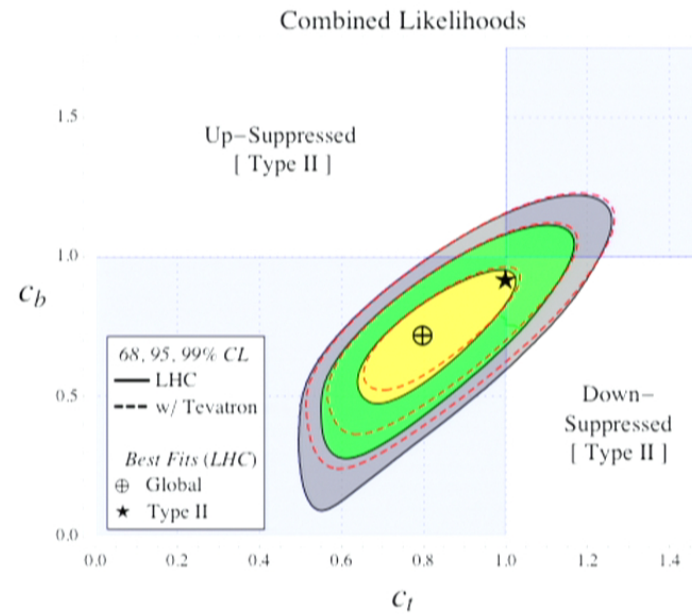
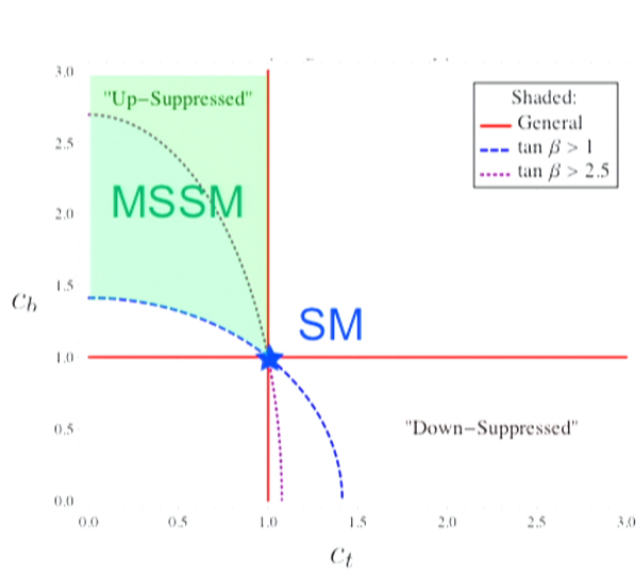
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Build In Build Out Action

Effect: None

Direction: Order

Delivery: Duration

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