Title: What Can We Learn from Precision Higgs

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Abstract: In the coming years, LHC experiments will measure Higgs properties, such as its couplings, with increasing precision. Electron-positron Higgs factories, such as the ILC or TLEP, would be able to achieve even better precision. In this talk, I will discuss some of the physics questions that can be addressed by a precision Higgs coupling measurement program. First, the issue of naturalness of the electroweak scale can be addressed in a robust, model-independent manner. Second, the possibility of a first-order electroweak phase transition can be definitively probed, testing one of the necessary conditions of electroweak baryogenesis scenario.

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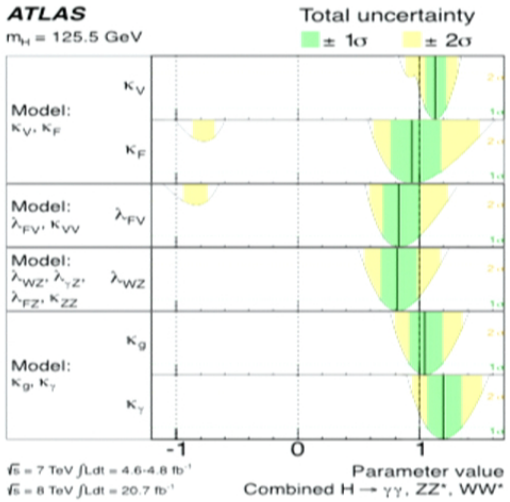

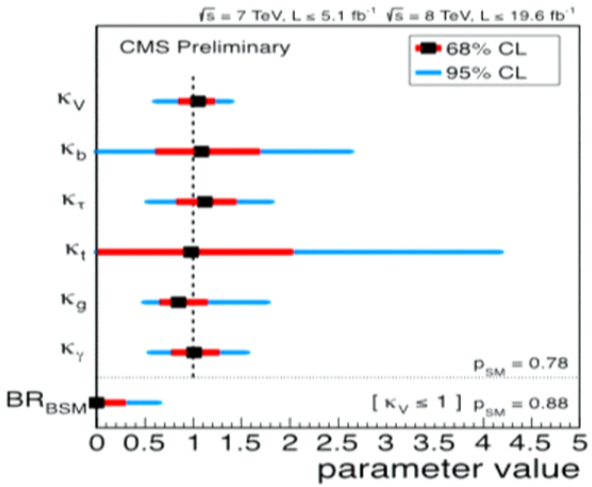

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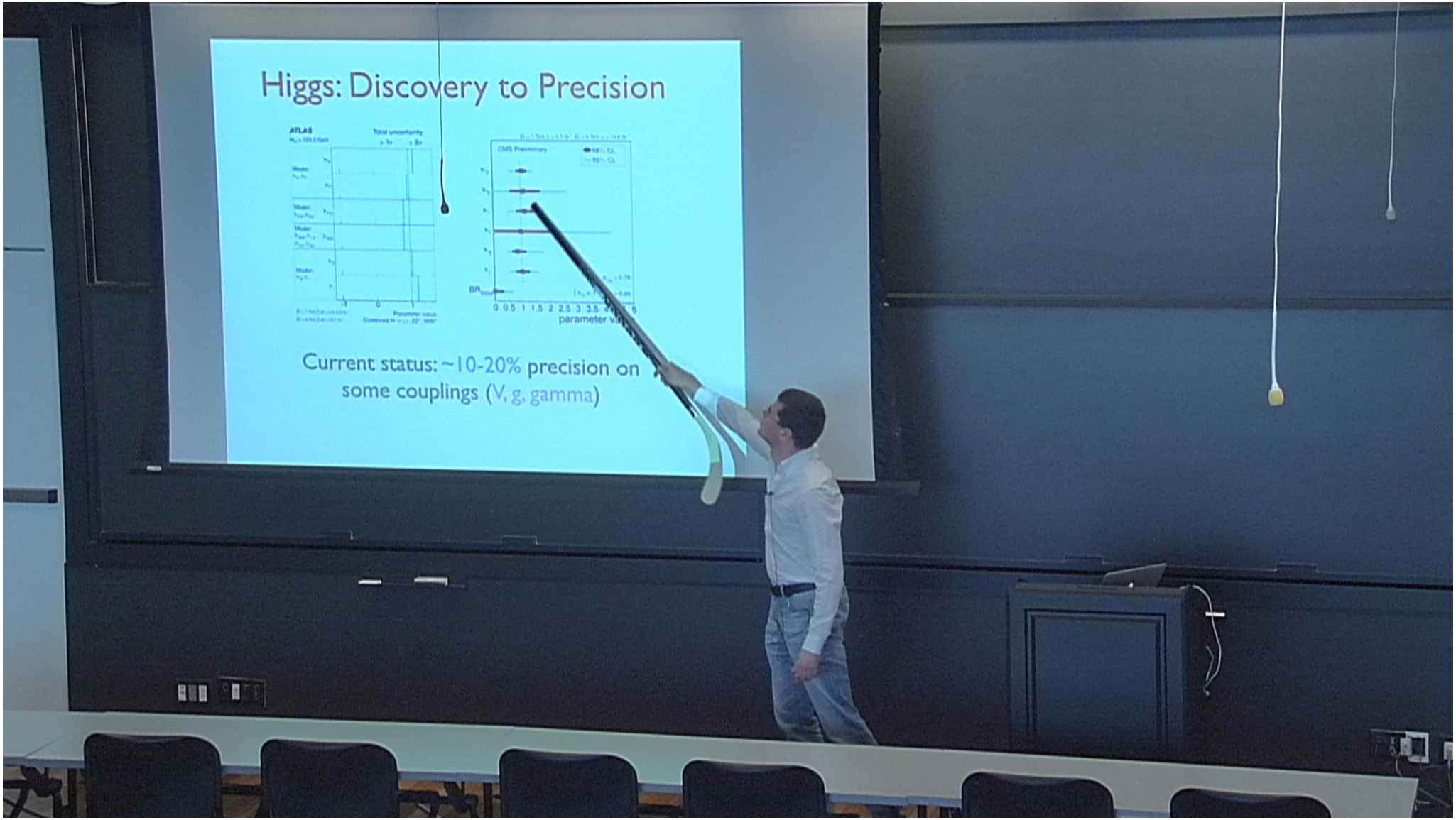
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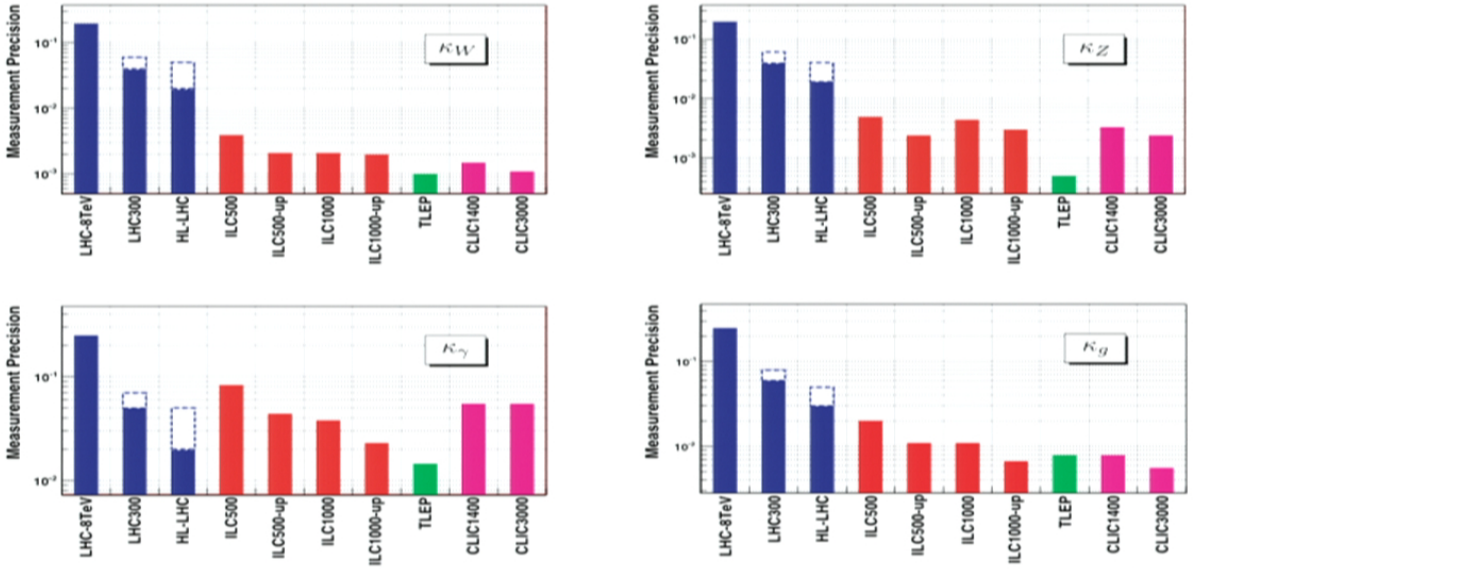

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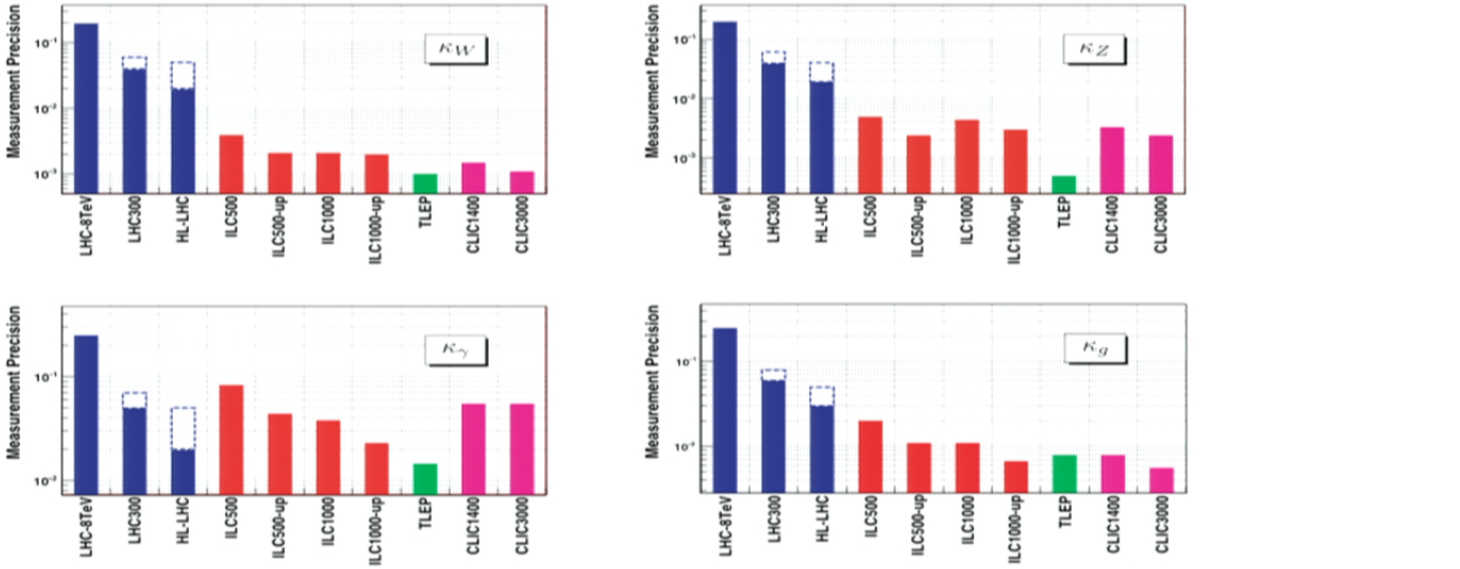

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Outline

- This talk is about potential physics implications of Higgs Coupling (HC) measurements at this level of precision
- Two parts:
  - HC and Naturalness: a model-independent connection [Farina, MP, Rey-Le Lorier, 1305.6068]
  - HC and Electroweak Phase Transition dynamics [A. Katz, MP, 1401.1827]

Intro: Minimalist BSM

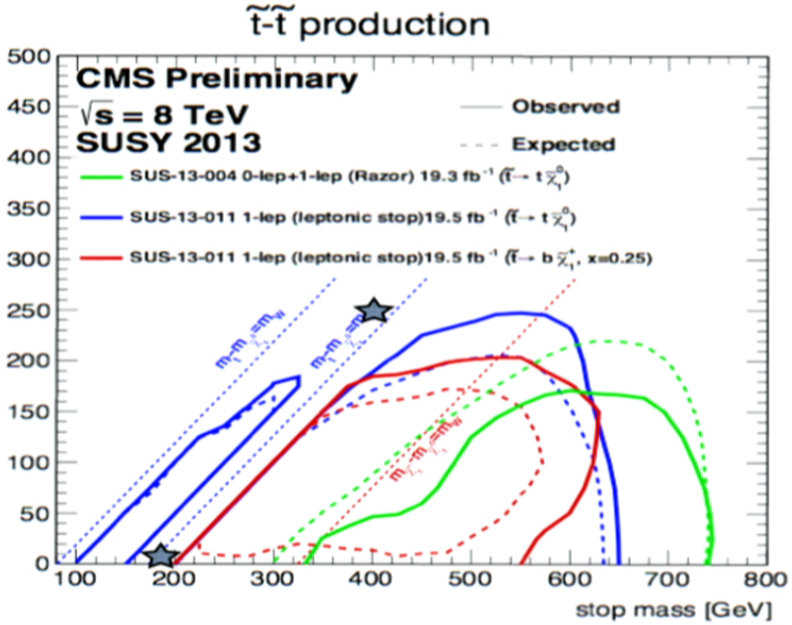
- Precision electroweak tests strongly suggest that physics remains weakly coupled until (at least) ~10 TeV scale
- In this talk, I will take a modest attitude and only think about physics below 10 TeV (do not insist on perturbative gauge coupling unification etc.)
- If only SM until 10 TeV, the Higgs mass parameter needs to be fine tuned:

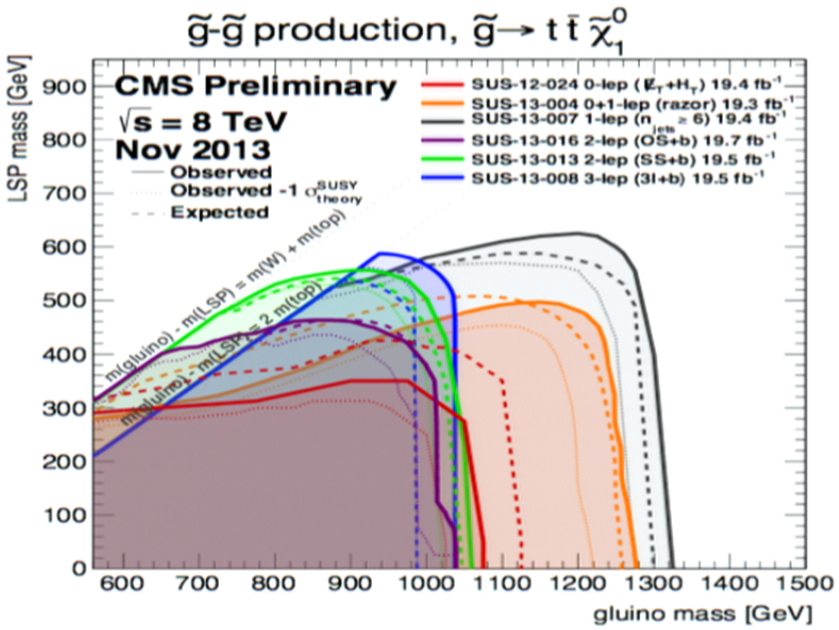
$$-m^2 = -m^2_{\rm tree} + \frac{c}{16\pi^2}\Lambda^2 \qquad \Delta = \frac{\delta m^2}{m^2}$$

$$(v, m_h) \Rightarrow m \approx 90\ {\rm GeV} \qquad \delta m^2 \sim \frac{3y_t^2\Lambda^2}{8\pi^2} \Rightarrow \Delta_{\rm SM} \gtrsim 500$$

- Note: this assumes that the SM is an effective theory and new propagating d.o.f.'s coupled to the Higgs appear at some scale, possibly >>10 TeV
- Avoiding this fine-tuning is the (only) motivation for new physics at the energy scale accessible to the LHC. Only a few mechanisms for doing so in a weakly-coupled theory are known (SUSY, Little Higgs, Gauge-Higgs Unification).

Naturalness: Not Dead Yet





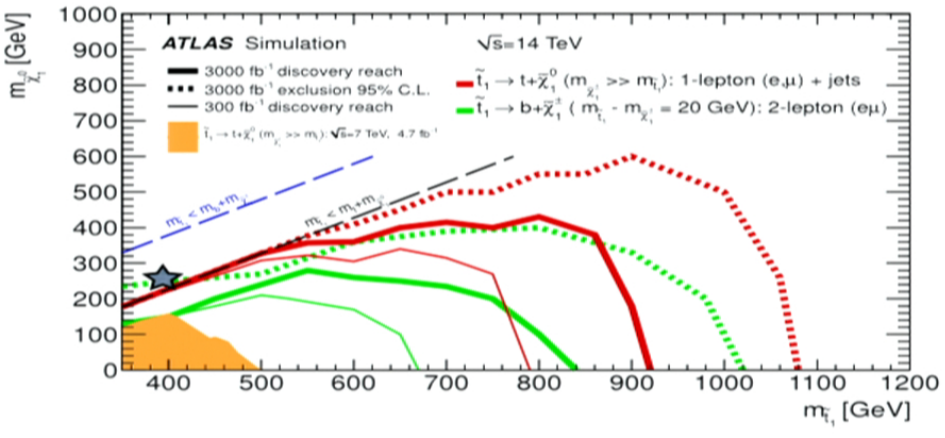
- Direct stop searches currently do not exclude big regions of parameter space with $\Delta_{\rm EFT} \sim 1/4$ or even ~1 in the "stealthy" region $m_{\tilde{t}} \approx m_t, m_\chi \approx 0$
- Gluino bounds OK too for now: $m_{\tilde{g}} < 4m_{\tilde{t}}$ is 100% natural if gluino is Dirac

Minimalist SUSY

- Consider an "effective" SUSY theory with a 10 TeV cutoff [e.g. Brust, Katz, Lawrence, Sundrum, 1110.6670]
- Only superpartners canceling the largest contributions to m^2 must appear. Stops and gluinos are especially important at the LHC.
- One-loop fine-tuning estimate in the effective theory is simply

$$\Delta \approx \frac{3y_t^2 m_{\tilde{t}}^2}{8\pi^2} \log \frac{\Lambda^2}{m_{\tilde{t}}^2} \approx \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{t}}}{200\ \mathrm{GeV}}\right)^2$$

- In SUSY literature, fine-tuning is typically quantified by measuring the dependence of the Higgs mass on input parameters, usually at a high (GUT) scale
- The above estimate, "EFT FT", should be thought of as a rough model-independent lower bound on FT
- Can physics at >10 TeV reduce tuning? Logically possible, but no concrete convincing example so far.



- Even at 14 TeV, probing compressed spectra, as well as stealthy and RPV scenarios, will remain non-trivial in direct searches based on current strategies
- Taylor-made searches for these regions (e.g. ISR-tags to search for compressed spectra) may be developed
- An alternative approach: indirect search by measuring Higgs couplings

1. Higgs and Naturalness: General Argument

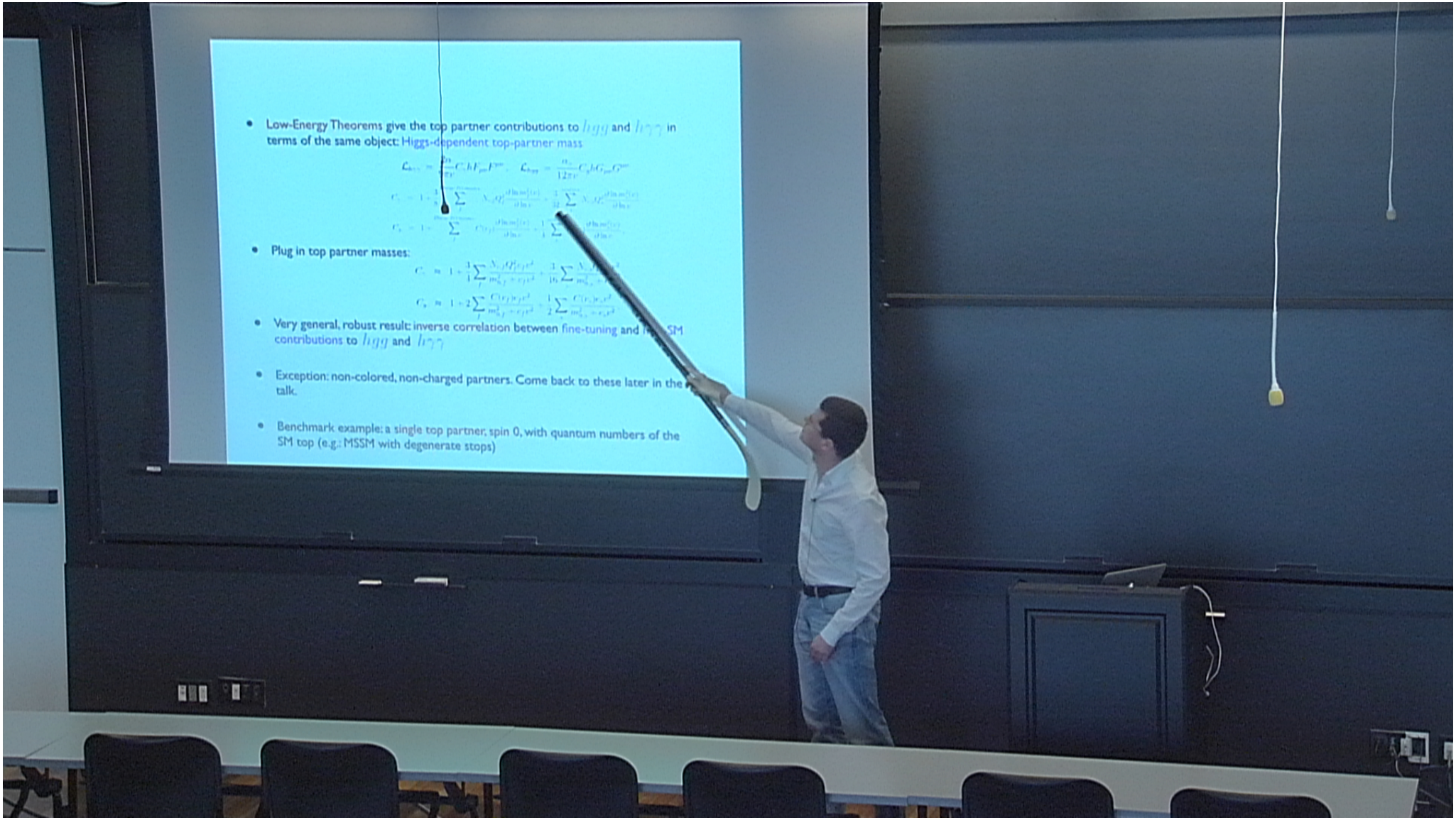
[Farina, MP, Rey Le-Lorier, 1305.6068]

- One-loop quantum corrections to Higgs potential are given by the Coleman-Weinberg formula:

$$V_{\rm CW}(h) = \frac{1}{2}\sum_k g_k(-1)^{F_k}\int\frac{d^4\ell}{(2\pi)^4}\,\log\left(\ell^2+m_k^2(h)\right)$$

- The only input is Higgs-dependent masses of all particles; focus on tops
- The famous mass renormalization is just $\delta\mu^2 \equiv \frac{\delta^2 V_{\rm CW}}{\delta h^2}|_{h=0}$.
- Top partner mass is $m^2(T_i) = m_{0,i}^2 + c_i h^2 + \cdots$
- Cancellation of quadratic divergence gives a sum rule: $6y_t^2 = \sum_i g_i(-1)^{F_i}c_i$
- Potential fine-tuning comes from the next (log-divergent) term:

$$\Delta = \frac{\delta\mu^2}{\mu^2} \approx 0.78\left(\sum_i g_i(-1)^{F_i}c_i\left(\frac{m_{0,i}}{1\ \text{TeV}}\right)^2\log\frac{\Lambda^2}{m_{0,i}^2} - 6y_t^2\left(\frac{m_t}{1\ \text{TeV}}\right)^2\log\frac{\Lambda^2}{m_t^2}\right)$$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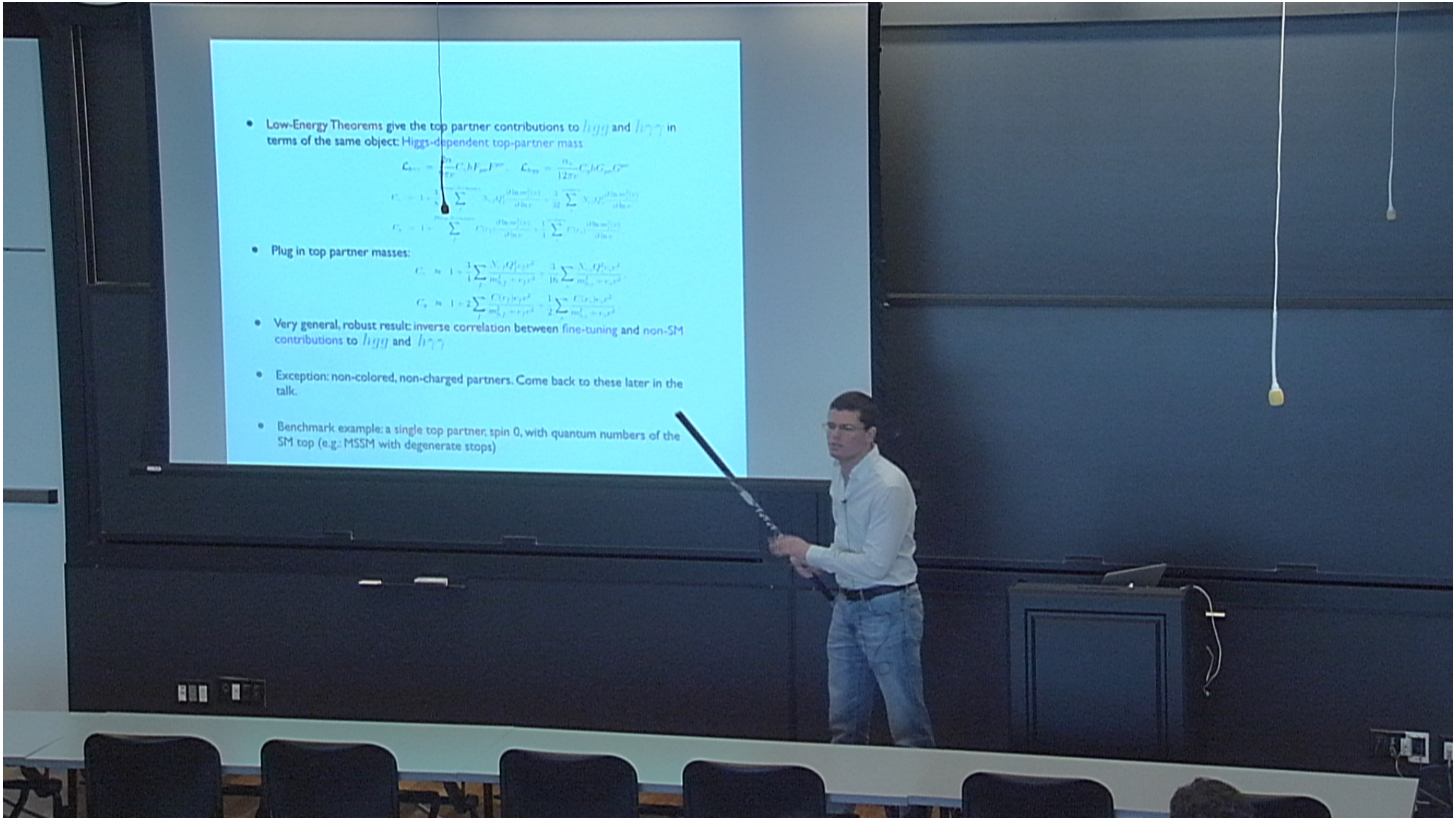
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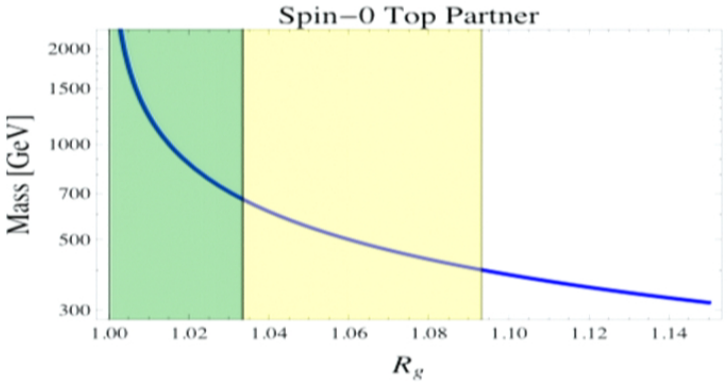

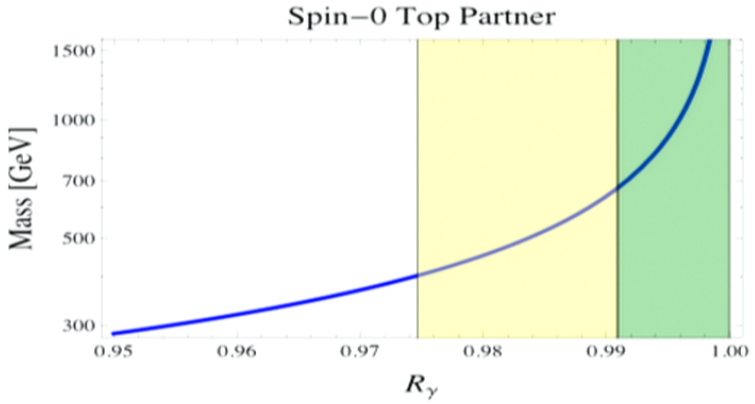

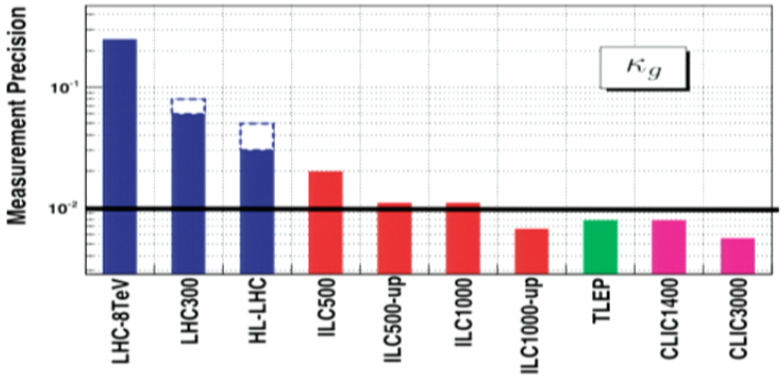

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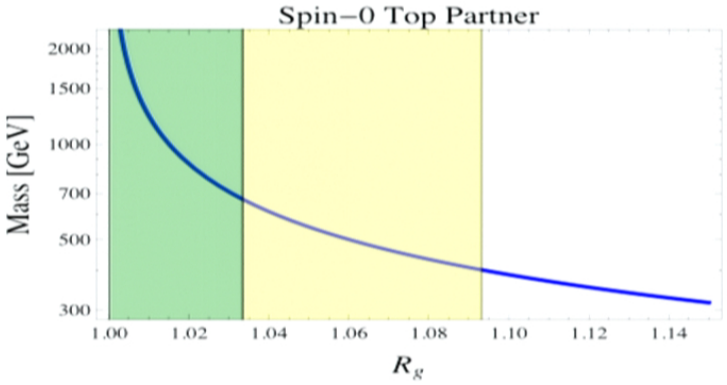

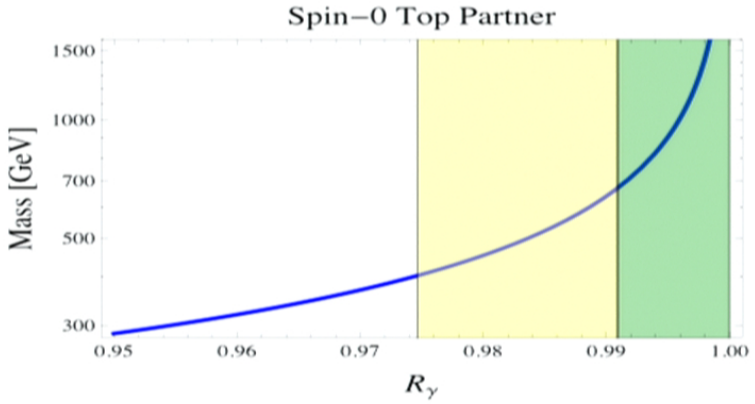

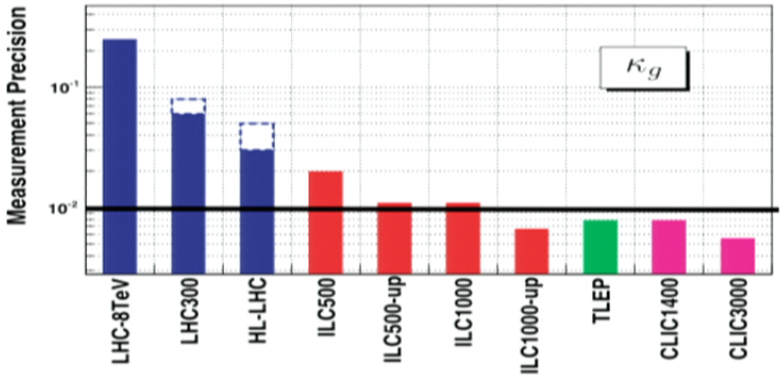

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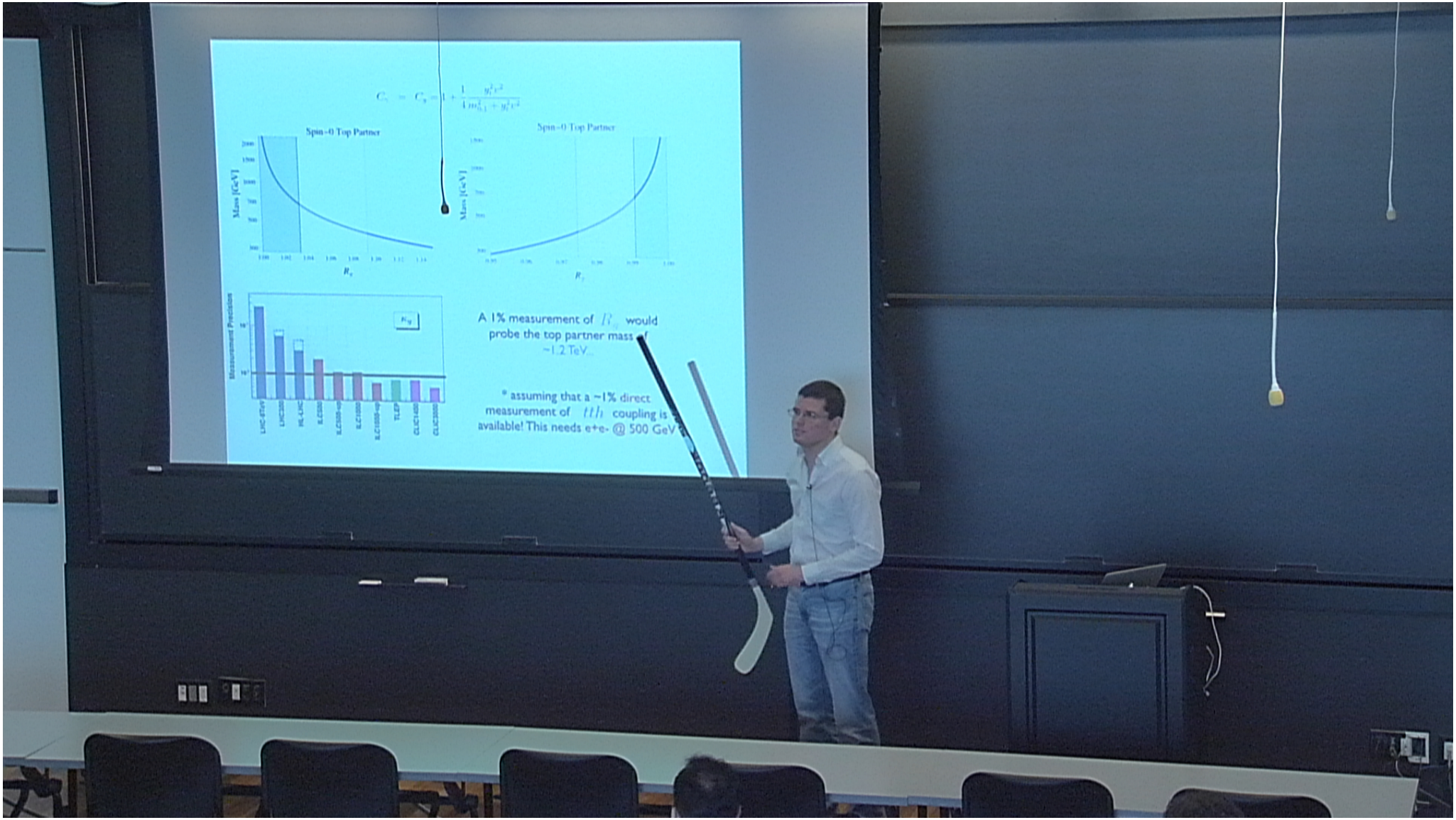
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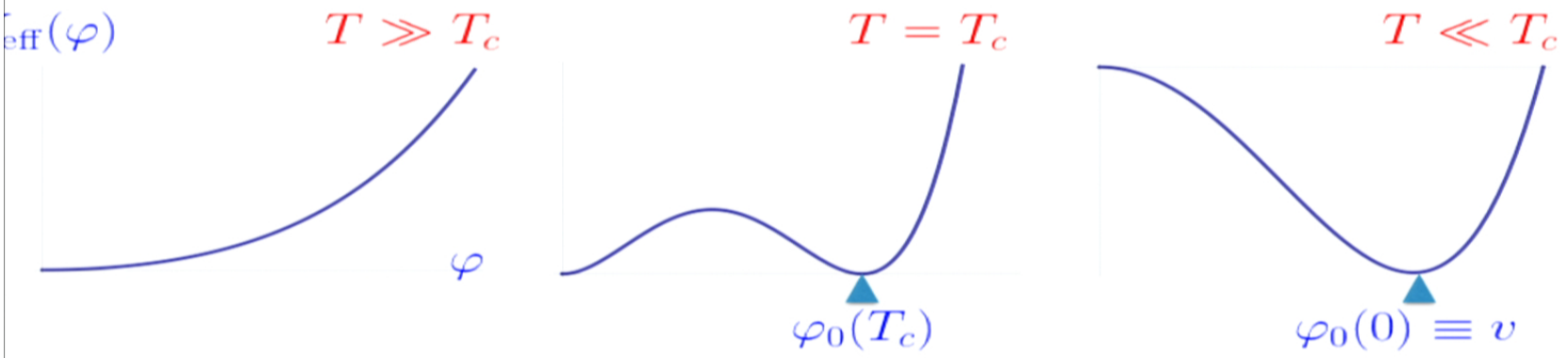
First-Order EWPT in Cartoons



- "Transition strength" ~ entropy release $\xi = \varphi_0(T_c)/T_c$
- Numerical studies: EW Baryogenesis possible if $\xi \geq 0.9$

HC and EWPT

- No possibility of producing "plasma" with restored EW symmetry (T-RHIC?) so no direct experimental probe
- However, hard to induce large modifications of the finite-T potential without also modifying T=0 Higgs potential and couplings
- Can precise measurements of Higgs couplings conclusively probe the nature of EWPT?
- Two basic mechanisms for first-order EWPT: tree-level mixing with other scalars; and loop-induced corrections (the famous Th^3 term)
- We will focus on loop-y models since they seem harder to probe

HC and EWPT: Setup

- The cubic term at high-T is induced by loops of scalars, not fermions
- Add a single complex scalar Φ, with $V_\Phi = m_0^2|\Phi|^2 + \kappa|\Phi|^2|H|^2 + \eta|\Phi|^4$.
- One-loop corrections to the potential at both T=0 and finite-T are well known:

$$V_1(\varphi) = \frac{g_i(-1)^{F_i}}{64\pi^2}\left[m_i^4(\varphi)\log\frac{m_i^2(\varphi)}{m_i^2(v)} - \frac{3}{2}m_i^4(\varphi) + 2m_i^2(\varphi)m_i^2(v)\right];$$

$$V_T(\varphi;T) = \frac{g_i T^4(-1)^{F_i}}{2\pi^2}\int_0^\infty dx\, x^2 \log\left[1-(-1)^{F_i}\exp\left(\sqrt{x^2+\frac{m_i^2(\varphi)}{T^2}}\right)\right],$$

- Again, the key object is the Higgs-dependent Φ mass! But recall:

$$\mathcal{L}_{h\gamma\gamma} = \frac{2\alpha}{9\pi v}C_\gamma h F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}, \quad \mathcal{L}_{hgg} = \frac{\alpha_s}{12\pi v}C_g h G_{\mu\nu}G^{\mu\nu}$$

$$C_\gamma = 1 + \frac{3}{8}\sum_f^{Dirac\ fermions} N_{c,f}Q_f^2\frac{\partial\ln m_f^2(v)}{\partial\ln v} + \frac{3}{32}\sum_s^{scalars} N_{c,s}Q_s^2\frac{\partial\ln m_s^2(v)}{\partial\ln v}$$

$$C_g = 1 + \sum_f^{Dirac\ fermions} C(r_f)\frac{\partial\ln m_f^2(v)}{\partial\ln v} + \frac{1}{4}\sum_s^{scalars} C(r_s)\frac{\partial\ln m_s^2(v)}{\partial\ln v},$$

- Expect direct correlation between the size of the cubic coupling induced at finite-T and non-SM contributions to hgg and $h\gamma\gamma$ (unless Φ is color and EM-neutral)

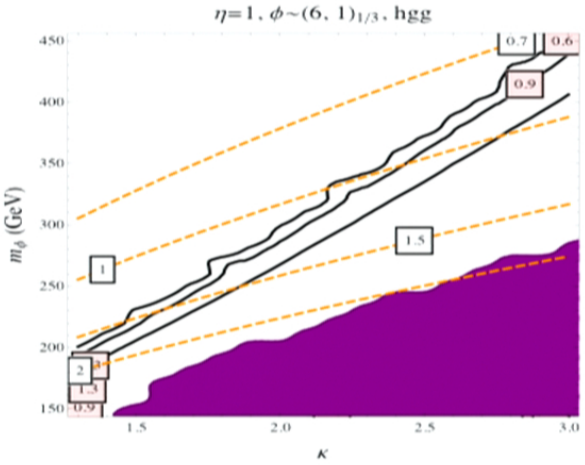
Analytic Example

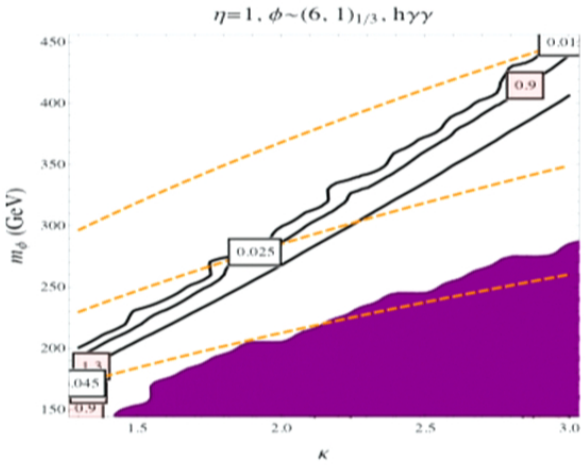
- A special case can be studied analytically*: $m_0 = 0$
- High-temperature expansion of the thermal potential:

$$V_{\rm eff}(\varphi;T) = V_0(\varphi) + V_T(\varphi;T) \approx \frac{1}{2}\left(-\mu^2 + \frac{g_\Phi \kappa T^2}{24}\right)\varphi^2 - \frac{g_\Phi \kappa^{3/2} T}{24\sqrt{2}\pi}\varphi^3 + \frac{\lambda}{4}\varphi^4$$

- Location of the broken-symmetry minimum at finite T: $\frac{\partial V_{\rm eff}}{\partial \varphi} = 0$ ➡ $\varphi_0(T)$
- Critical temperature: $V_{\rm eff}(0,T_c) = V_{\rm eff}(\varphi_0(T_c),T_c)$
- Solve together: $T_c^2 = \frac{24\mu^2}{g_\Phi \kappa\left(1 - \frac{g_\Phi \kappa^2}{24\pi^2\lambda}\right)}, \quad \varphi_+(T_c) = \frac{g_\Phi \kappa^{3/2} T_c}{12\sqrt{2}\pi\lambda}.$
- Strongly 1-st order if $\kappa > 3.6\, g_\Phi^{-2/3}$
- Gluon-Higgs coupling: $R_g = \frac{1}{8}\frac{\kappa v^2}{m_0^2 + \kappa v^2} \approx 0.12$

Results: "Sextet"





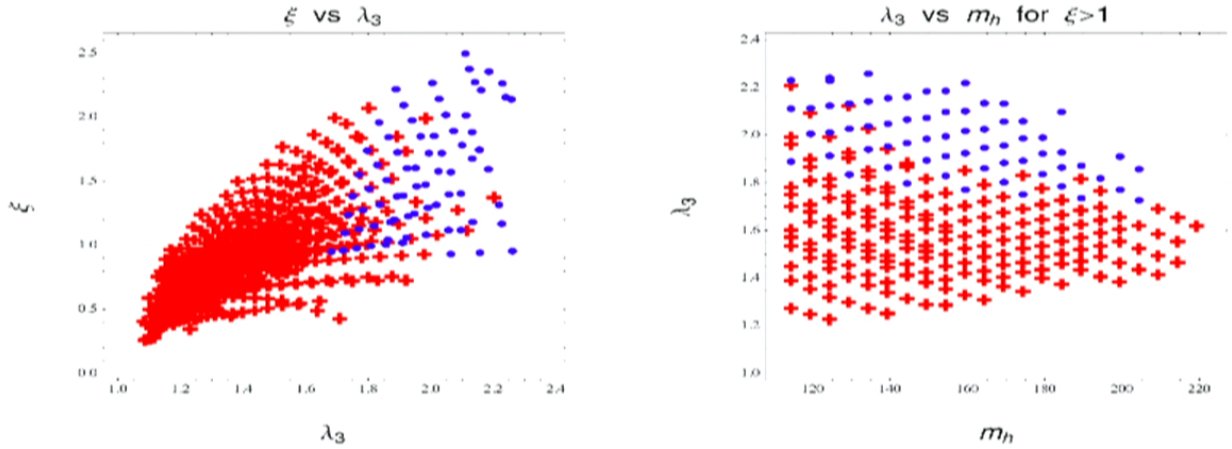
ATLAS: $R_g = 1.08 \pm 0.14,$
$R_\gamma = 1.23^{+0.16}_{-0.13}.$

ruled out!*

[* usual caveat: SM total width assumed]

Higgs Self-Coupling

[Noble, MP, 0711.3018]



same correlation for Higgs self-coupling: deviations of 20% or more in a broad range of models with first-order EWPT

Measure it at a 100 TeV collider?

Conclusions: EWPT

- Strongly first-order EWPT, and with it Electroweak Baryogenesis, remains a viable possibility in a general BSM context
- We focused on the models where first-order EWPT is induced by loops of a BSM scalar, with various SM quantum numbers
- In the case of colored scalar, LHC-14 measurement of hgg will be able to conclusively probe the full parameter space with 1-sf order EWPT
- For non-colored scalars, e+e- Higgs factories will be necessary
- TLEP would be able to conclusively probe the full parameter space with 1-st order EWPT in all models, even if induced by a SM-singlet scalar