

Unconventional ElectroWeak Symmetry Breaking and the LHC

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THE LARGE HADRON COLLIDER

- It should reveal the mysteries of the TeV scale
- What breaks the ElectroWeak Symmetry ?
- Is there a Higgs boson ? What is it ?
- What makes the EW scale stable under quantum corrections?
- What informations can we really extract if some New Physics event is observed ?

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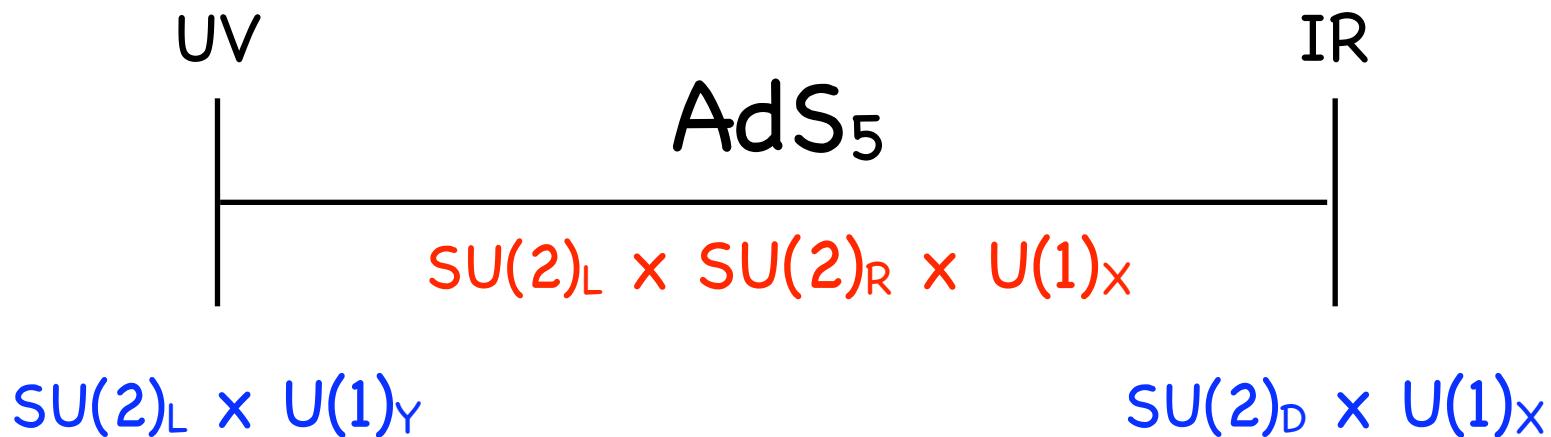
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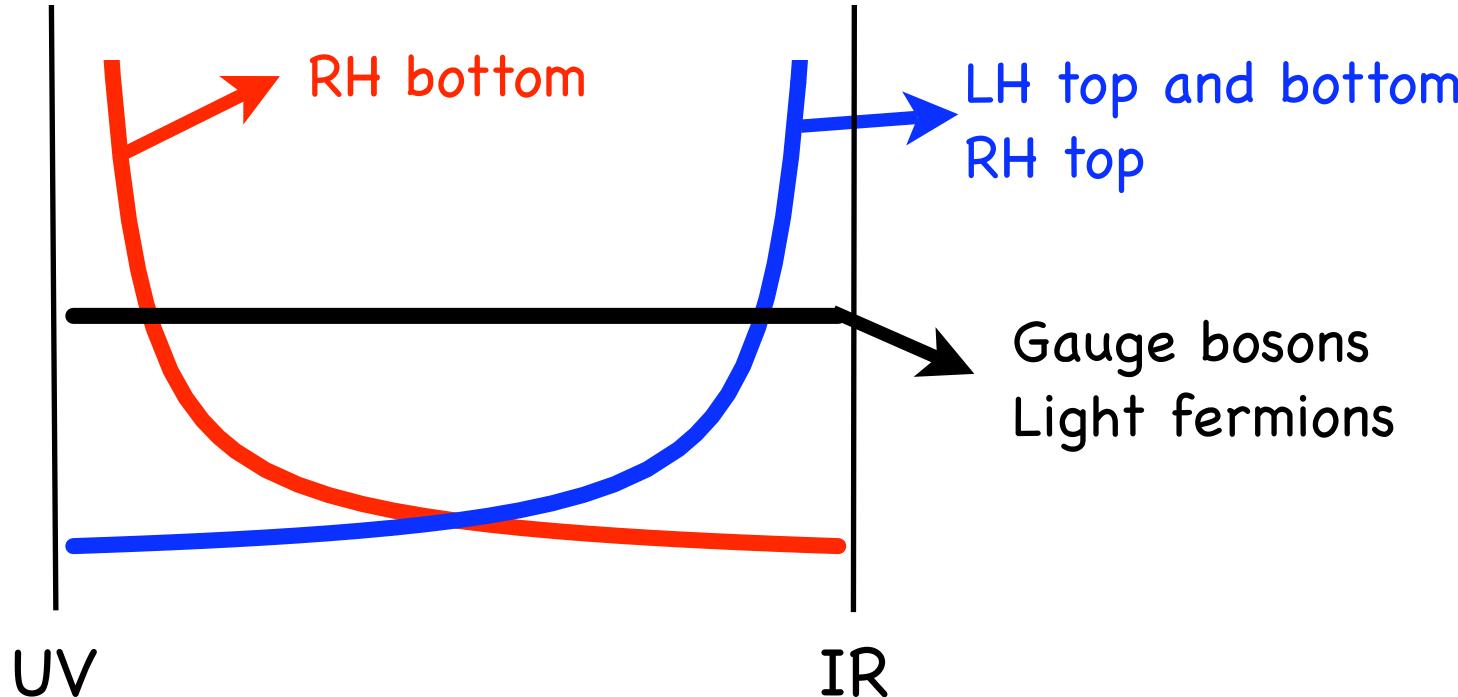
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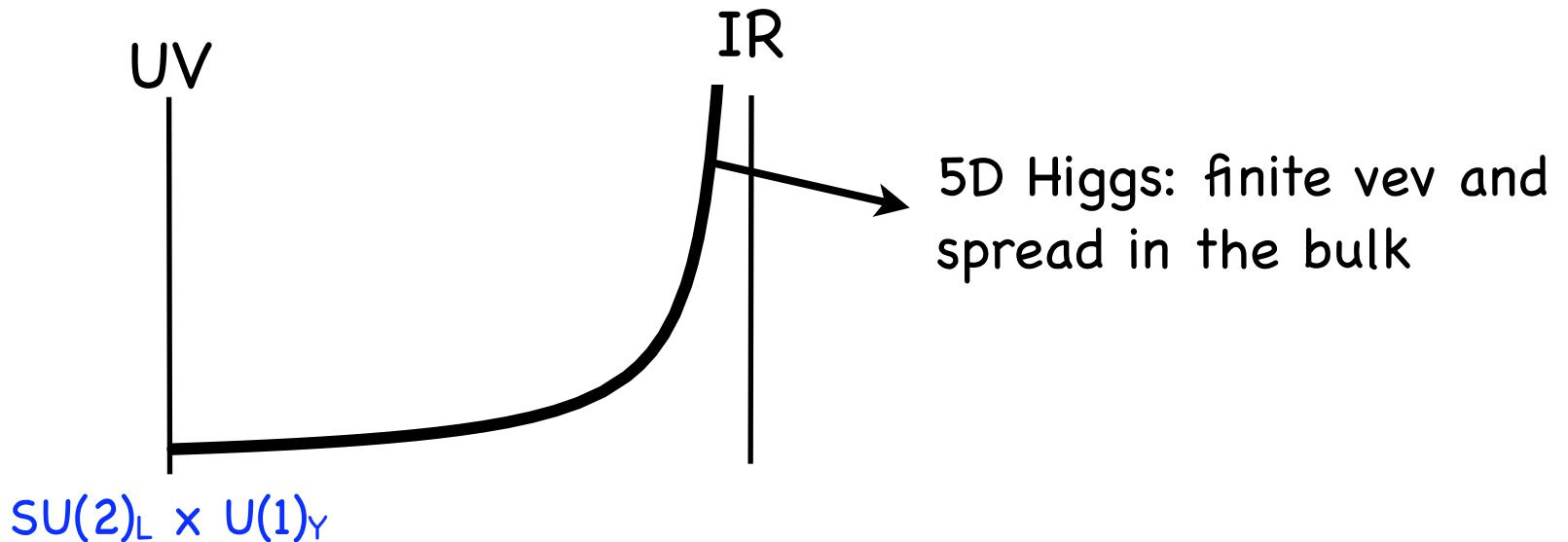
- ElectroWeak symmetry broken by Boundary Conditions: no scalars in the theory
- Troubles with EW precision data: large S-parameter.
Can be solved de-localizing light fermions (i.e. make them composite)
- Third generation: top mass vs. Zbb coupling

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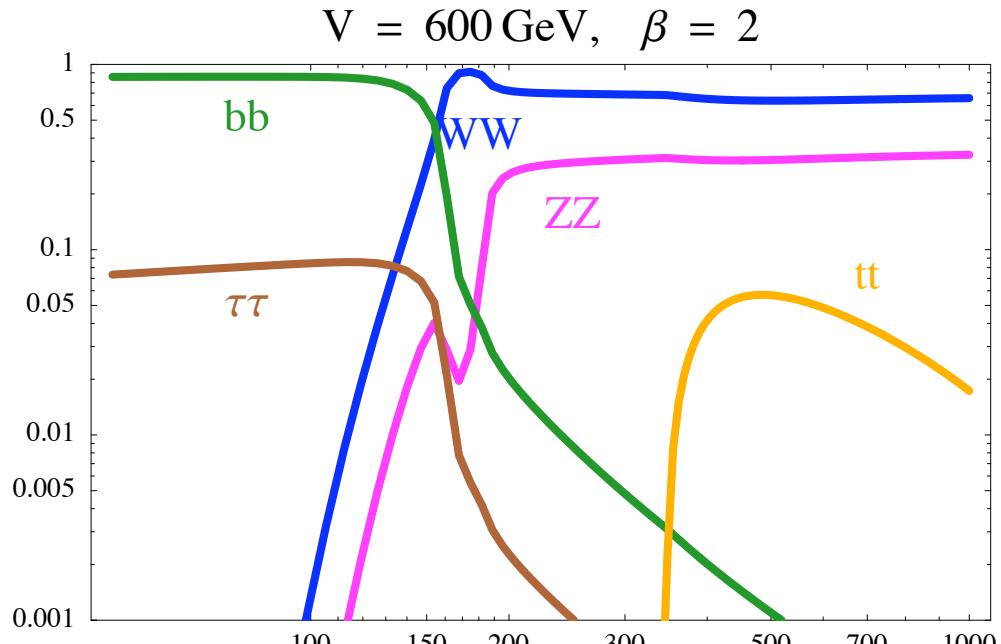
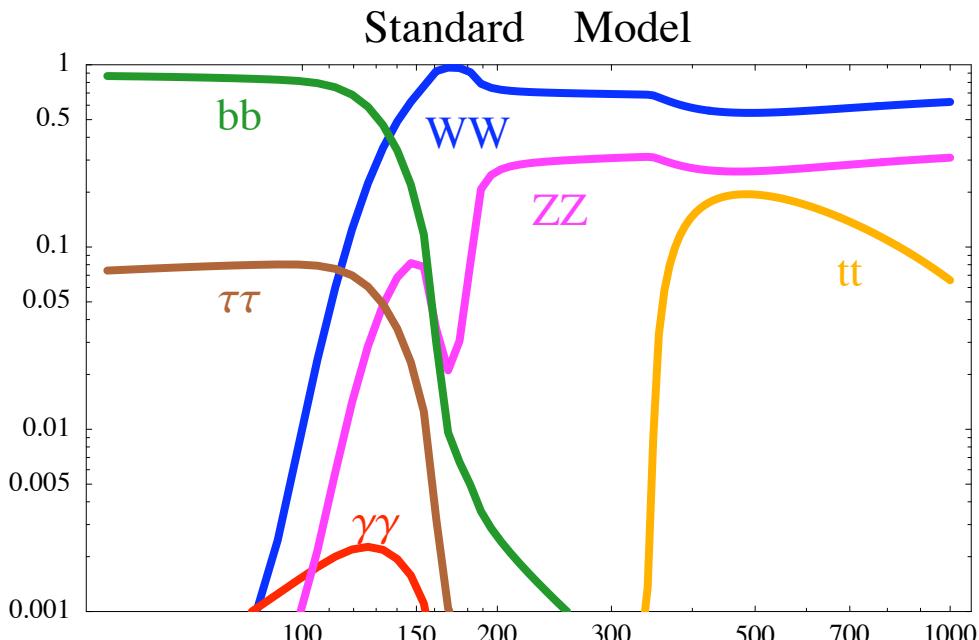
- Usually under $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$
 $t_L, t_R \subset (2, 1), \quad b_L, b_R \subset (1, 2)$
 - Choose instead (Ahashe et al., 2006, Phys. Lett. B641, 62-66, 2006)
 $t_L, b_L \subset (2, 2), \quad t_R = (1, 1), \quad t_R \subset (1, 3)$
 - Top mass and Zbb coupling ok

The gauge-phobic Higgs



- The Higgs decouples smoothly from the theory
- In intermediate regions there can be a light Higgs with suppressed couplings (top, W, Z...)

The gauge-phobic Higgs



- Unusual Higgs phenomenology
- It might be hard to see a light Higgs without the two photons channel
- Some “nightmare” scenario is possible: a lot of luminosity required to see both the Higgs and the heavy gauge bosons

Conclusions

- The LHC is going to start operating soon
- We all are excited about the possibility of discovering New Physics
- Traditional New Physics scenarios today present some troubles (LEP)
- There could be surprises: consider unconventional scenarios