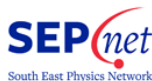


# Hunting for Minimal Walking Technicolor using $Z'$ searches at the LHC

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# Motivation for Technicolor

- Standard Model has many issues, e.g hierarchy problem, no dark matter candidate
- **Technicolor** originally proposed as an alternative to Spontaneous EWSB
- Higgs discovery = Technicolor is dead...?
- TC with **walking** regime means Dynamical EWSB still a strong BSM candidate!
- WTC addresses hierarchy problem whilst containing a consistent Higgs boson-like particle

# Walking vs. Running TC

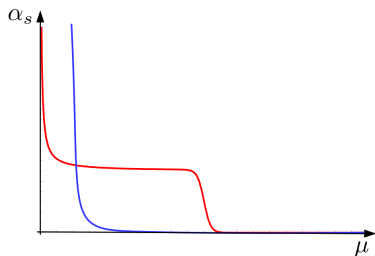


Figure: Behaviour of the strong coupling constant with energy scale

# Setup of NMWT

NMWT is encoded into the chiral Lagrangian (low energy description)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{boson} = & -\frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}[\tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}\tilde{W}^{\mu\nu}] - \frac{1}{4}\tilde{B}_{\mu\nu}\tilde{B}^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}[F_{L\mu\nu}F_L^{\mu\nu} + F_{R\mu\nu}F_R^{\mu\nu}] \\
 & + m^2\text{Tr}[C_{L\mu}^2 + C_{R\mu}^2] + \frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}[D_\mu M D^\mu M^\dagger] - \tilde{g}^2 r_2 \text{Tr}[C_{L\mu} M C_{R\mu}^\mu M^\dagger] \\
 & - \frac{i\tilde{g}r_3}{4}\text{Tr}[C_{L\mu}(M D^\mu M^\dagger - D^\mu M M^\dagger) + C_{R\mu}(M^\dagger D^\mu M - D^\mu M^\dagger M)] \\
 & + \frac{\tilde{g}^2 s}{4}\text{Tr}[C_{L\mu}^2 + C_{R\mu}^2]\text{Tr}[M M^\dagger] + \frac{\mu^2}{2}\text{Tr}[M M^\dagger] - \frac{\lambda}{4}\text{Tr}[M M^\dagger]^2
 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Key constructs in equation 1:

$$C_{L\mu} \equiv A_{L\mu} - \frac{g}{\tilde{g}} \tilde{W}_\mu, \quad C_{R\mu} \equiv A_{R\mu} - \frac{g'}{\tilde{g}} \tilde{B}_\mu, \quad (2)$$

encodes all of the EW/TC gauge fields.

Parameter space from Lagrangian  $M_V$ ,  $M_A$ ,  $\tilde{g}$ ,  $r_2$  and  $r_3$ .

We can use Weinberg Sum Rules to reduce and rephrase these parameters to the parameter space:

$$\boxed{M_A, \quad \tilde{g}, \quad S.} \quad (3)$$

# Particle Spectrum

NMWT adds chiral  $SU(2)$  groups to SM, overall

$$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_V \quad (4)$$

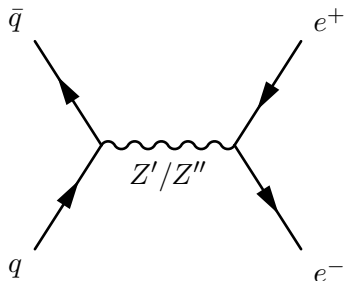
In dynamical symmetry breaking:

$$2_L \otimes 2_R \rightarrow 3_V + 1_V, \quad (5)$$

so have *two gauge triplets* in TC sector. Physical particles are  $Z', W'^{\pm}$  and  $Z'', W''^{\pm}$

We can use processes with **new neutral resonances** to explore the parameter space of NMWT.

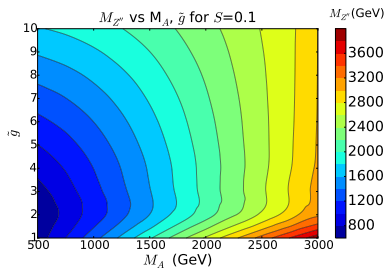
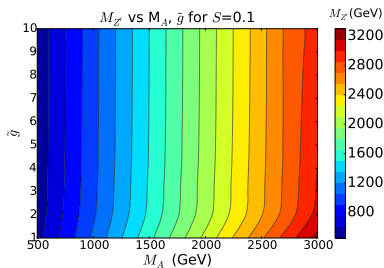
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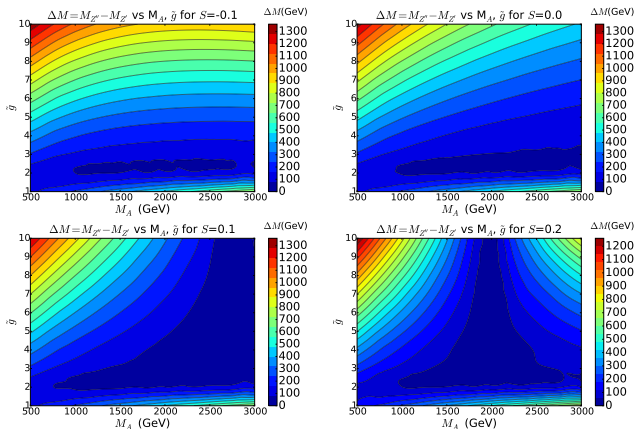


# Properties of $Z'/Z''$

We use **CalcHEP Matrix Element Generator** to scan the 3-D parameter space.

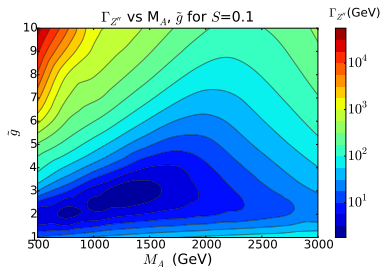
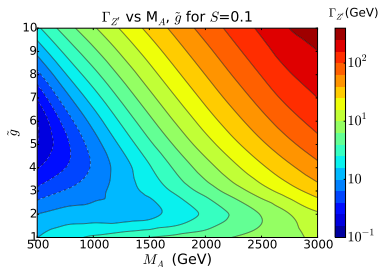


# Dependence on $S$



Increasing  $S$  provides a large central region where the resonances are very close in mass.

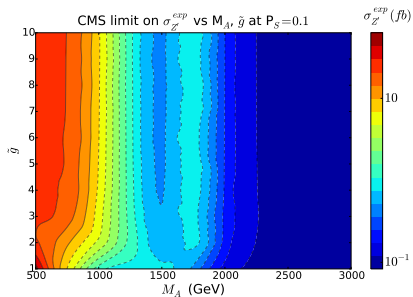
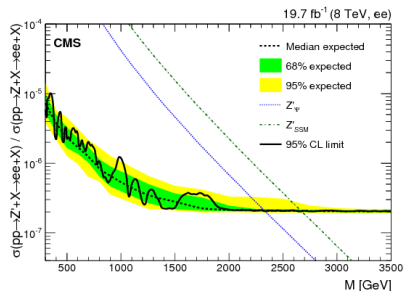
# Widths of $Z'$ and $Z''$ resonances



Effective Lagrangian describes majority of parameter space, but non-perturbative effects take over in low  $M_{A'}$ , high  $\tilde{g}$  for  $Z''$ .

# Experimental limit

CMS limits on the cross section  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow e^+e^-)$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{TeV}$  to 95% CL projected into the NMWTC parameter space.

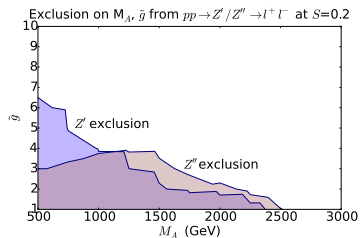
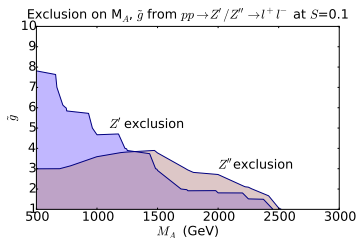
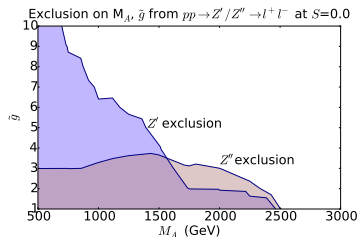
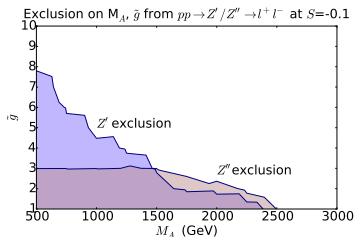


# Combined $Z'$ , $Z''$ Exclusions

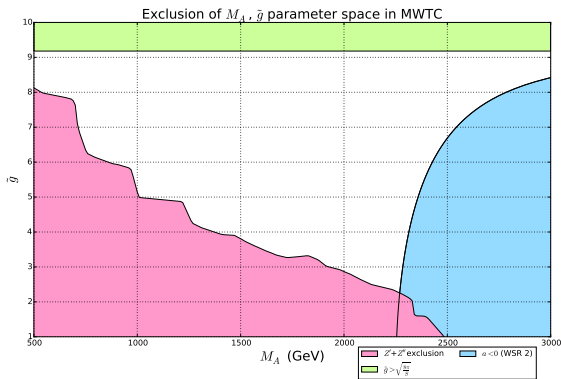
- Limits from single  $Z'$  searches are common, not so for multi- $Z'$
- We exploit the presence of distinct resonances to create the **first combined limits**
- Used **HEPMDB** to calculate  $\sigma_{Z'}^{theory}$  and  $\sigma_{Z''}^{theory}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{TeV}$
- Compared to CMS limit in  $M_A - \tilde{g}$  space to find zero level contour of  $\sigma^{theory} - \sigma^{exp}$
- Upper limit at 95% CL on  $M_A - \tilde{g}$  parameter space produced for the range of discrete  $S$

# NMWTC Exclusion Limits

$Z'$  and  $Z''$  exclude complimentary regions. Combined, they produce stronger exclusion limits.



# NMWTC Exclusion Limits



These are the strongest current limits on the NMWTC parameter space in the dilepton channel, alongside theoretical constraints on  $M_A, \tilde{g}$  from walking  $\alpha_S$  and electroweak precision test data.

# Summary

- Walking Technicolor is a well motivated and phenomenologically interesting BSM theory
- We have produced the first combined  $Z'/Z''$  limits on the WTC parameter space
- Combined limit from Drell-Yan processes exclude much of the low  $M_A, \tilde{g}$  space
- We will extend our work to include exclusions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13\text{TeV}$
- Also finding limits from all other possible decay channels with aim of "no-lose" theorem exclusions



# Thank you!

# Weinberg Sum Rules

## ■ Zeroth WSR

$$S = 4\pi \left[ \frac{F_V^2}{M_V^2} - \frac{F_A^2}{M_A^2} \right] \quad (6)$$

## ■ First WSR

$$F_V^2 - F_A^2 = F_\pi^2 \quad (7)$$

## ■ Second WSR

$$F_V^2 M_V^2 - F_A^2 M_A^2 = a \frac{8\pi^2}{d(R)} F_\pi^4 \quad (8)$$

# Masses and Decay Constants

Vector-vector field:

$$M_V^2 = m^2 + \frac{\tilde{g}^2(s - r_2)v^2}{4} \quad F_V = \frac{\sqrt{2}M_V}{\tilde{g}} \quad (9)$$

Axial-vector field:

$$M_A^2 = m^2 + \frac{\tilde{g}^2(s + r_2)v^2}{4} \quad F_A = \frac{\sqrt{2}M_A}{\tilde{g}}\chi \quad (10)$$

where

$$\chi \equiv 1 - \frac{v^2\tilde{g}^2r_3}{4M_A^2} \quad (11)$$

Pion Decay Constant:

$$F_\pi = v = 246\text{GeV} \quad (12)$$