

# Axion-Higgs Unification

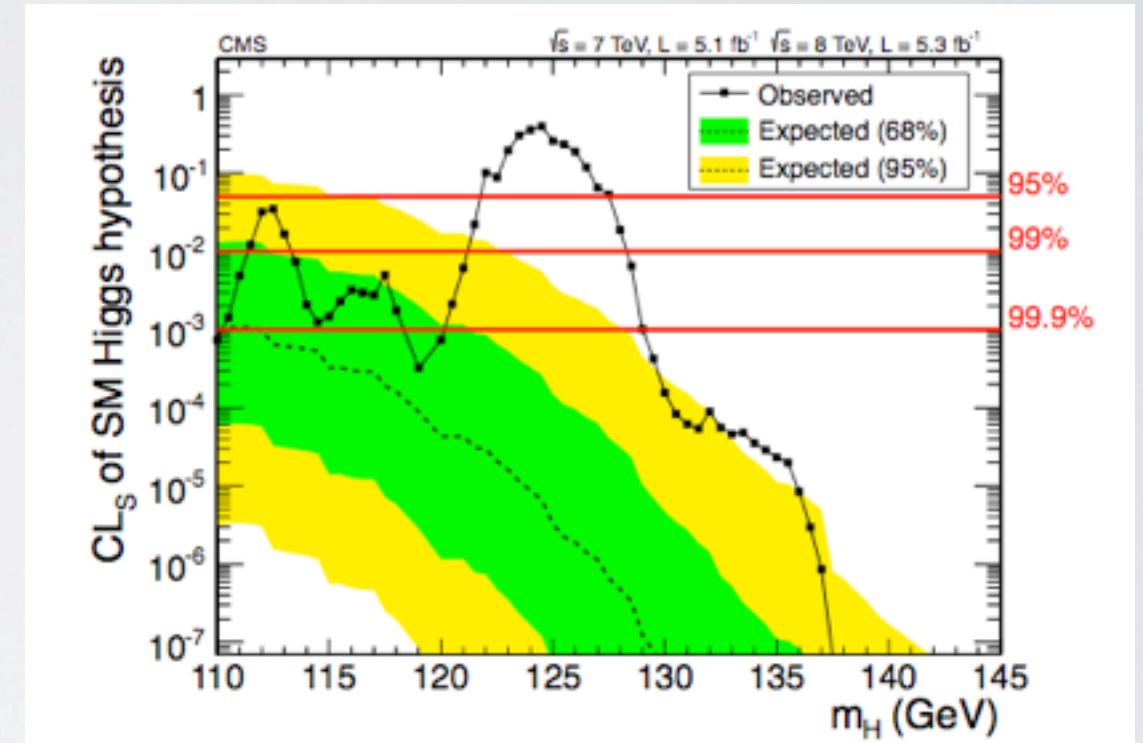
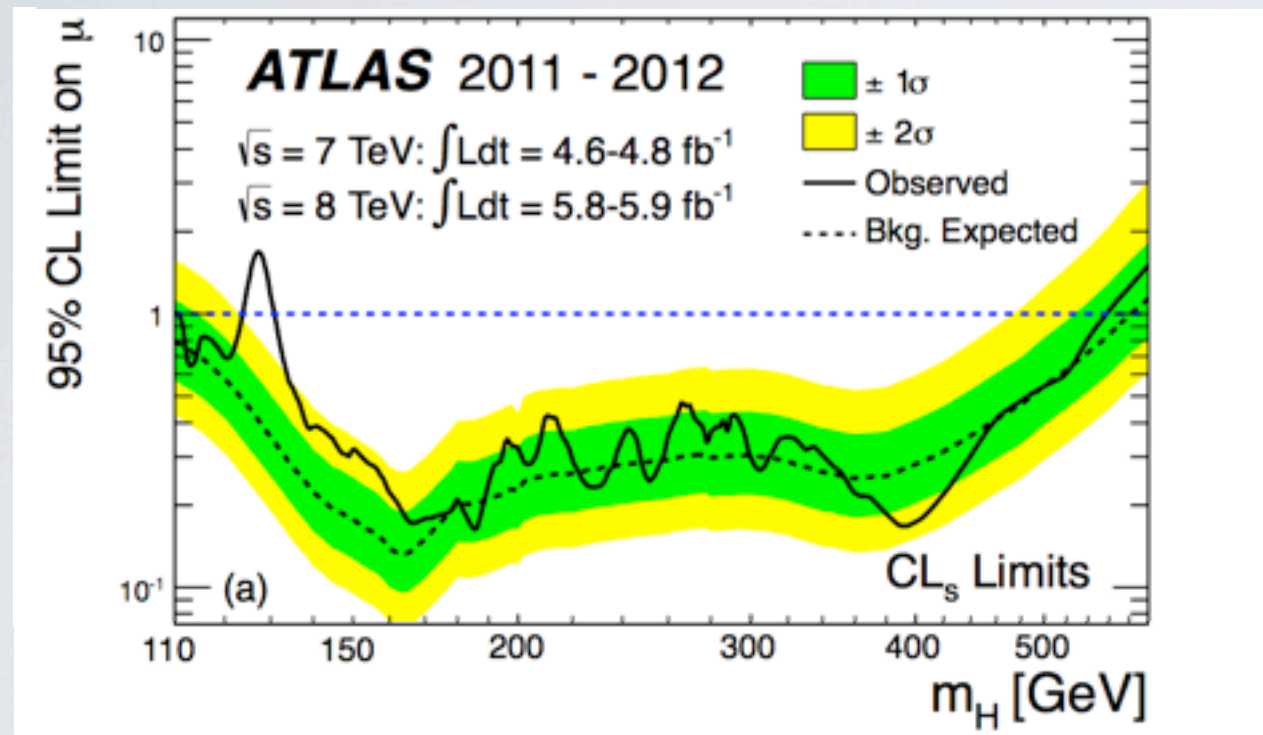
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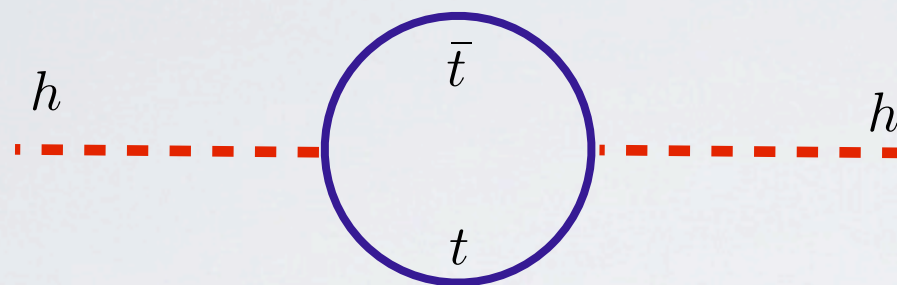
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LHC HAS FOUND THE HIGGS  
+ NOTHING

$$\Lambda > \text{few} \times \text{TeV}$$

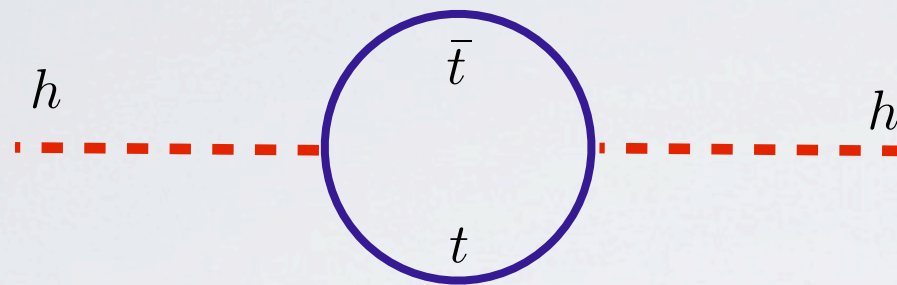
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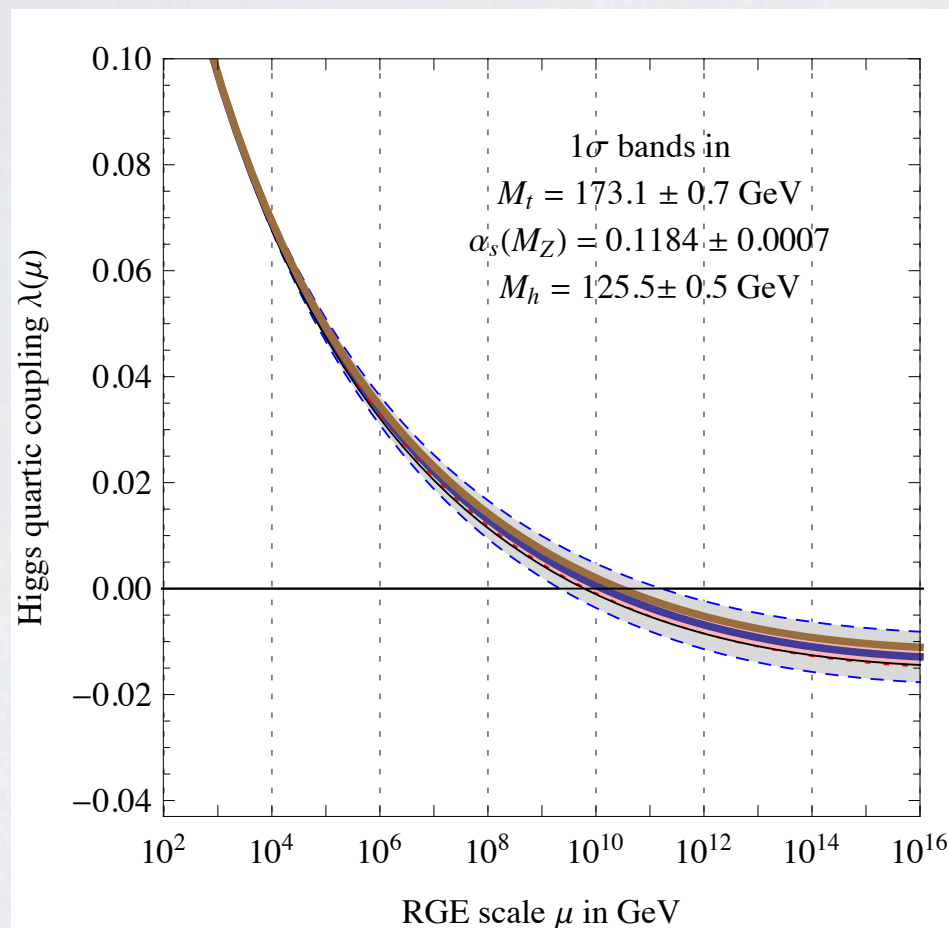
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- Higgs could be tuned anthropically (as c.c.)



# HINTS ?

- Running:



$$V(h) = m^2 h^2 / 2 + \lambda h^4 / 4$$

De Grassi et al.'12

Quartic almost zero at high scale for 125 GeV Higgs

- Strong CP problem:

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Axions are most elegant solution

$$\theta \rightarrow \frac{a(x)}{f}$$

Axions are Nambu-Goldstone bosons of a symmetry anomalous under QCD

$$m_a \sim \frac{m_\pi f_\pi}{f}$$



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- Neutrino masses

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda} (LH)^2$$

$$m_\nu \propto \frac{v^2}{\Lambda}$$

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Massless at leading order.

$$\text{Ex: } \frac{SO(5)}{SU(2)_L \otimes SU(2)_R} \longrightarrow GB = (2, 2) \quad \text{Agashe, Contino, Pomarol, '04}$$

Main difference from technicolor is that  $f$  is not linked to  $v$ .

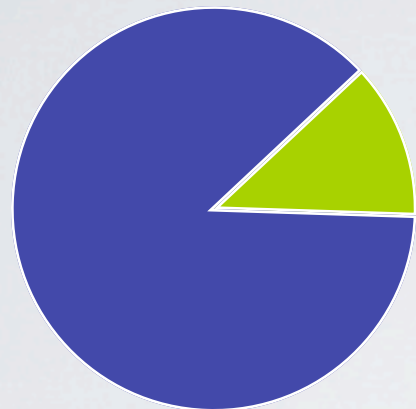
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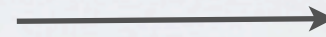
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Higgs is an angle,



$$0 < h < 2\pi f$$



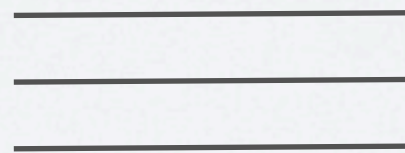
$$\text{TUNING} \propto \frac{f^2}{v^2}$$

Small Tuning

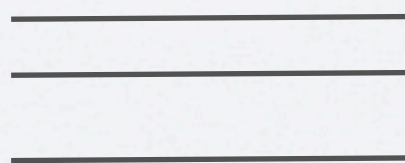
$$f < TeV$$

Typical spectrum:

$$f = 0.5 - 1 \text{ TeV}$$



$$m_\rho \sim 3 \text{ TeV}$$



$$m_h = 125 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_W = 80 \text{ GeV}$$

$$0$$



# Partial compositeness:

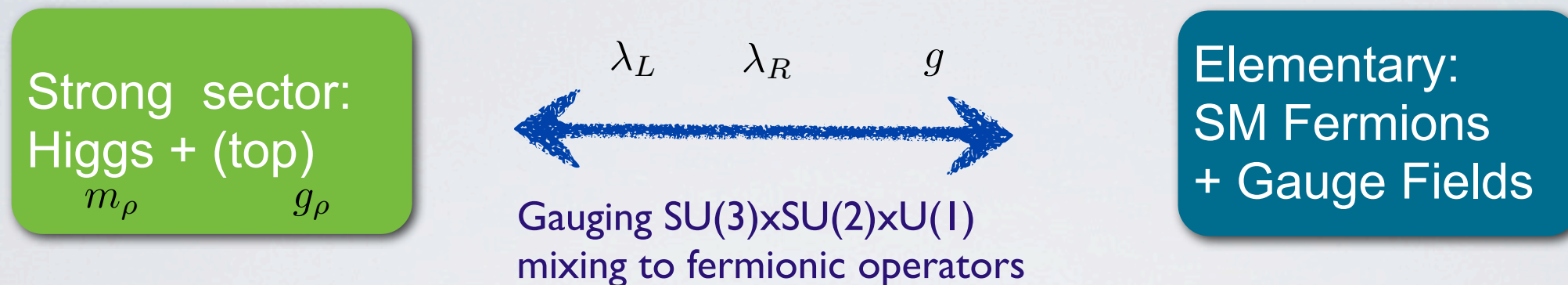
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Strong sector:  
Higgs + (top)  
 $m_\rho$   $g_\rho$

Elementary:  
SM Fermions  
+ Gauge Fields

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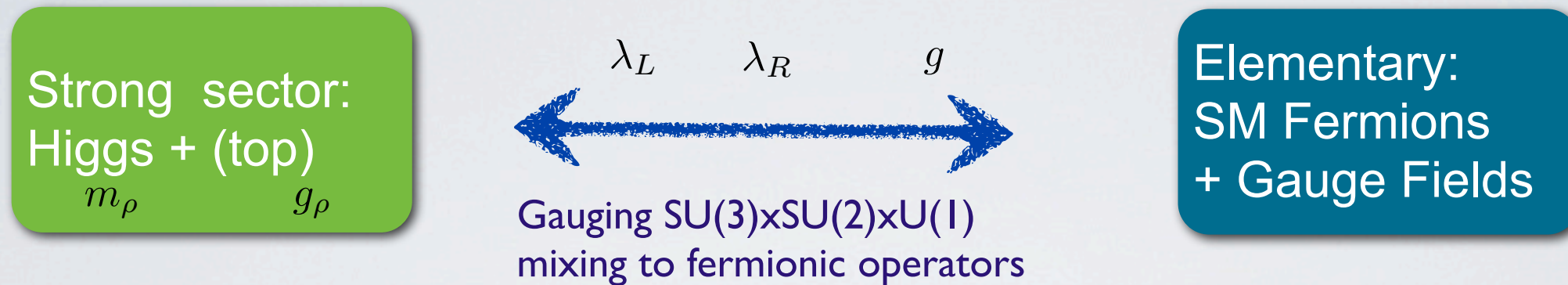
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- + phenomenology greatly ameliorated
- big dynamical assumptions



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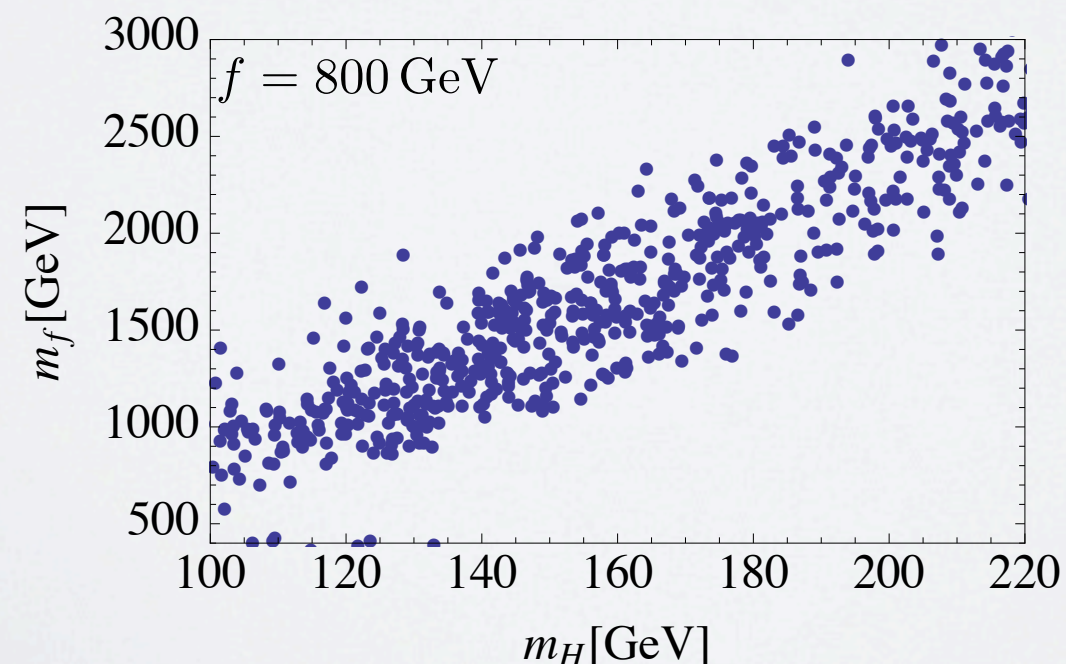
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- Higgs mass



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- Axion anomaly from new fermions (KSVZ)
- Axion anomaly from SM fermions (DFSZ)

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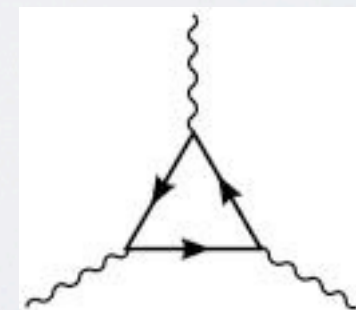
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Spontaneous PQ symmetry breaking

$$f \approx \langle \sigma \rangle$$

$$a = \sqrt{2} \text{Im}[\sigma]$$

PQ symmetry anomalous under QCD





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Under SM 33 charged scalars acquire mass.

$$m \approx \frac{g_{SM}}{4\pi} \Lambda$$



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FLAVOR:  $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} (qu)(L\bar{N}) \qquad \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{q}\bar{u})(\bar{L}N)$

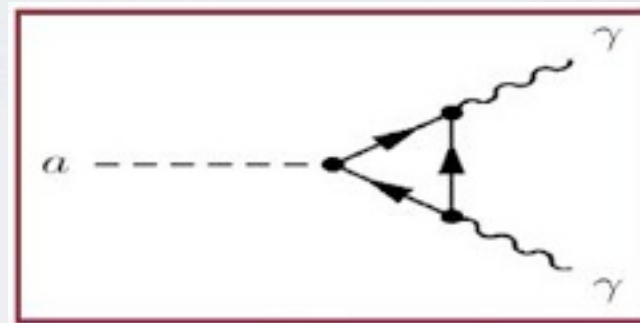
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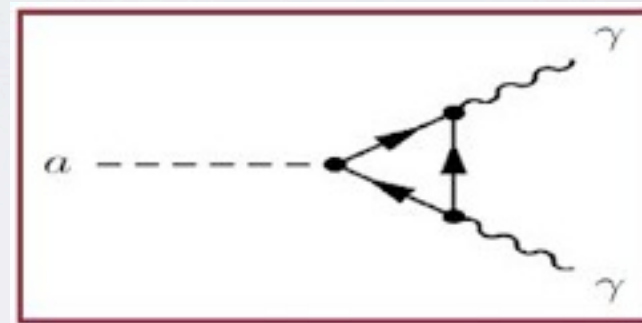
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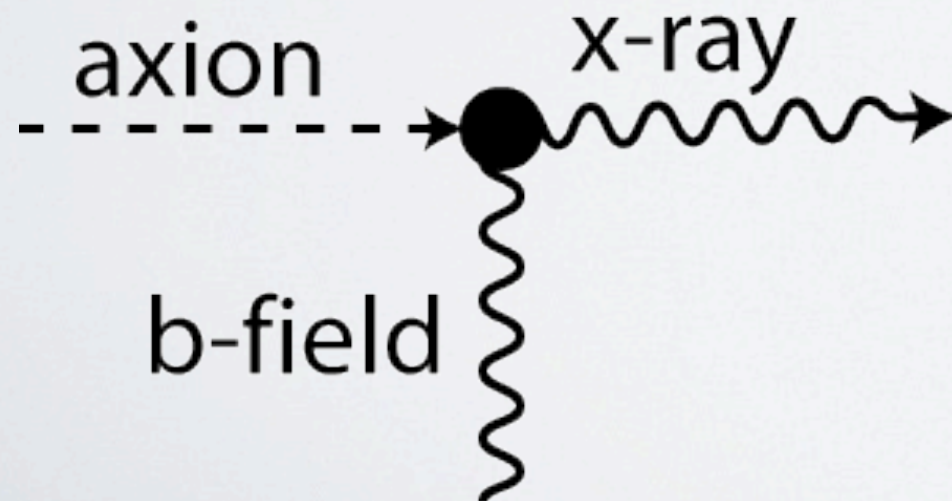
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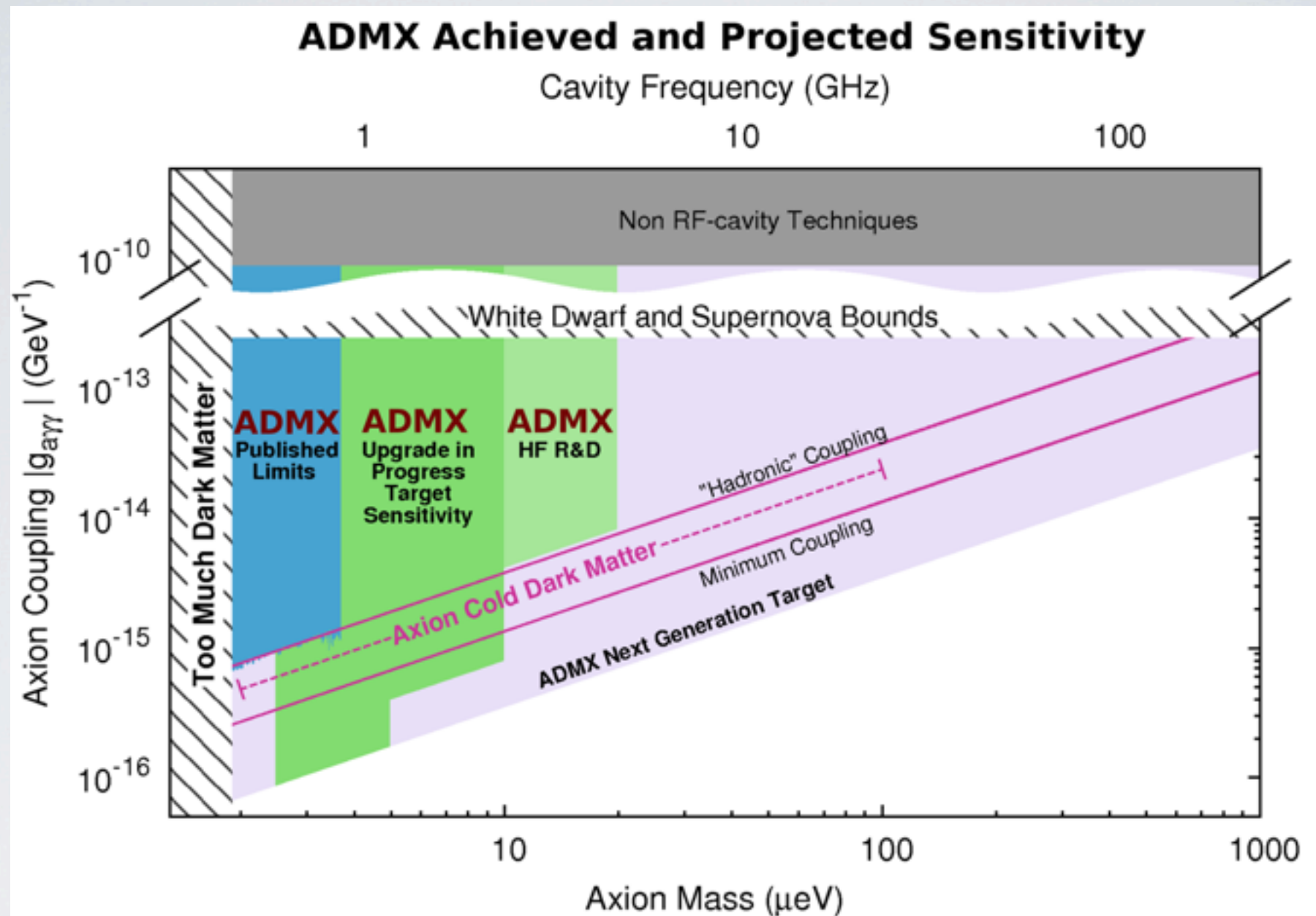
Experiments measure conversion of axion to photons



$$g_{a\gamma\gamma} = \frac{2(E/N - 1.92)}{10^{16} \text{ GeV}} \frac{m_a}{\mu\text{eV}}$$

$$m_a \sim \frac{N f_\pi m_\pi}{2f} \frac{\sqrt{m_u m_d}}{m_u + m_d}$$





$$\frac{E}{N} < 1.92 + 3.5 \sqrt{\frac{0.3 \text{ GeV}/\text{cm}^3}{\rho_{DM}}}$$

$$(m_a = 1.9 - 3.55 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV})$$

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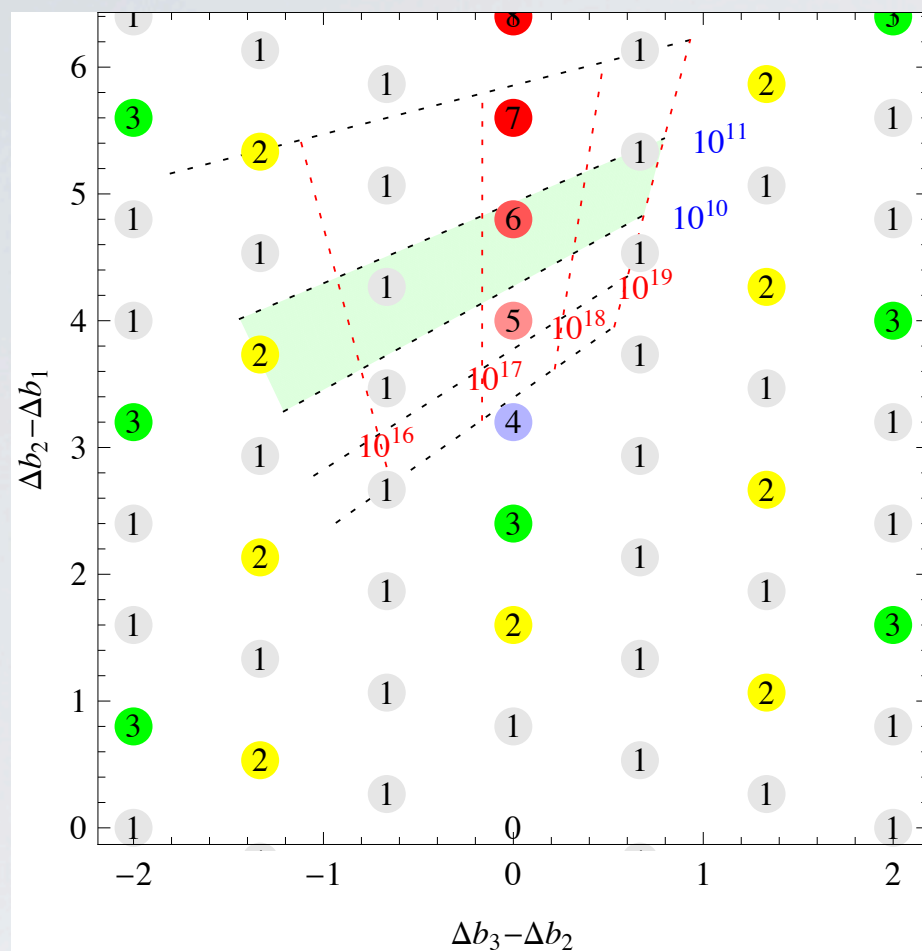
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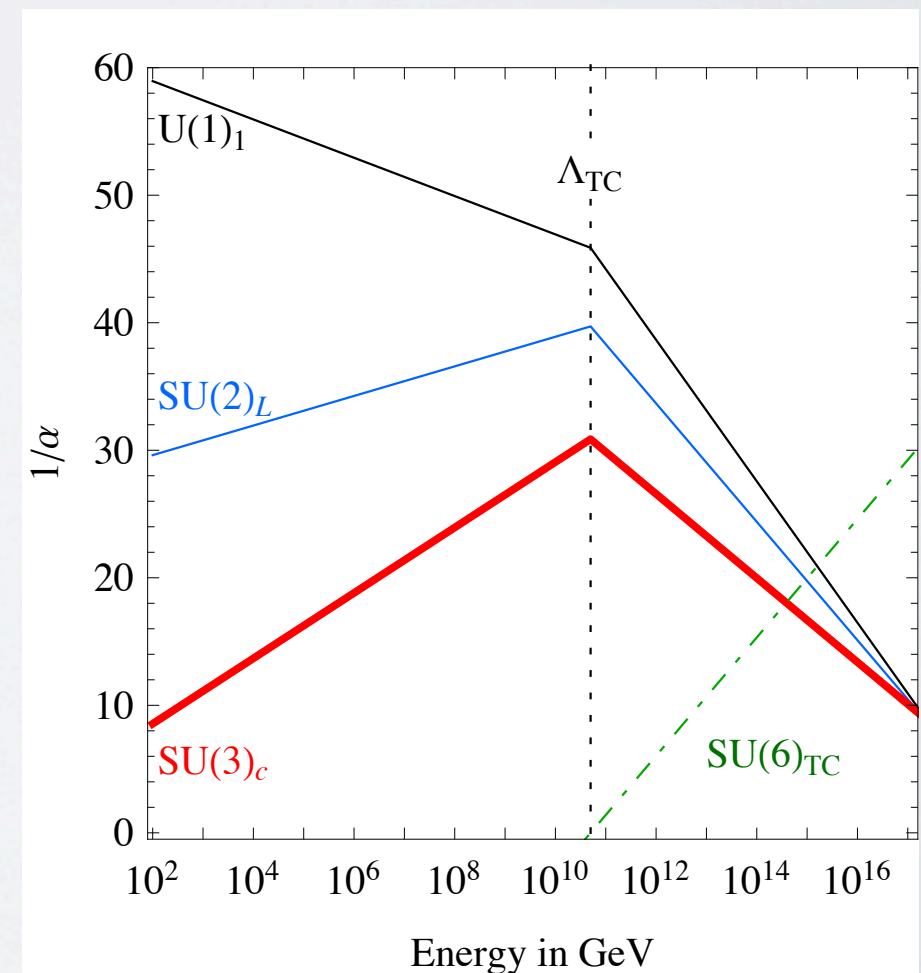
c) If all Yukawas allowed

$$\frac{D - 3L + 3N}{\sqrt{30}} \quad \frac{E}{N} = -\frac{16}{3}$$

# Incomplete SU(5) multiplets can improve unification



Ex:  $D, L, Q, U, N$



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Ex:

$$\frac{G}{H} = \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)}$$

$$SO(6) \supset SO(4) \otimes U(1)_{PQ}$$

$$\mathbf{20}' = (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})_{\pm 2} \oplus (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_{\pm 4} \oplus (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0 \oplus (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{3})_0$$

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Anomalies:

$$E_{TC} = 0$$

$$\frac{E}{N} = \frac{8}{3}$$



Neutrino masses can be generated by see-saw mechanism

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_\nu^2} (l\nu_R^c)^\dagger (LN) + m(\nu_R^c)^2 + h.c. \longrightarrow \lambda l H_1 \nu_R^c + m(\nu_R^c)^2 + h.c.$$

$$m_\nu \sim \frac{\lambda^2 v^2}{m}$$

If no right-handed neutrinos

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_\nu^5} (l\bar{L})^2 N^2 \longrightarrow \frac{1}{\Lambda_\nu^3} (lH_u)^2 \sigma^2 + \dots$$

Leptogenesis?

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Gauging of SM gauge symmetry preserves

$$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \times U(1)_{PQ}$$

Under  $U(1)_{PQ}$  singlet shifts.



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Difficult to generate QCD anomaly

$$(qu)(DS)$$

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We can be build models with partial compositeness

$$m\psi\Psi + M\Psi\Psi + g_{TC}\Psi\Psi H$$

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For  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$  singlet becomes exact GB

PQ symmetry is anomalous due to tR rotations

$$E = 2 \left[ \left( \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{9} \right) 3 + 1 \right] N_F + E_{\text{TC}}$$

$$\frac{E}{N} = \frac{8}{3} + \frac{E_{\text{TC}}}{6}$$

$$E_{\text{TC}} \sim n$$

# HIGGS MASS

Higgs potential is generated by the couplings that break the global symmetry. Minimally gauge and Yukawa couplings.

$$V(h) = \sum_i a_i \sin^{2i} \left( \frac{h}{f} \right)$$

Electro-weak scale:

$$v \ll f \quad \longrightarrow \quad a_i \text{ must be tuned}$$

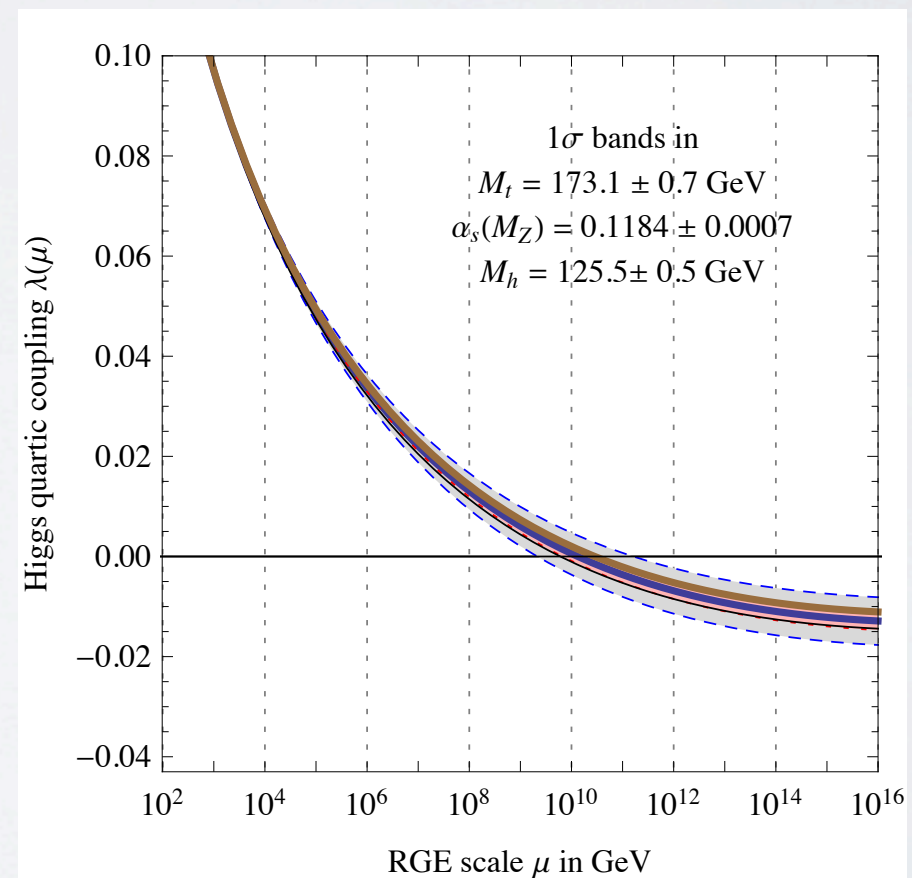
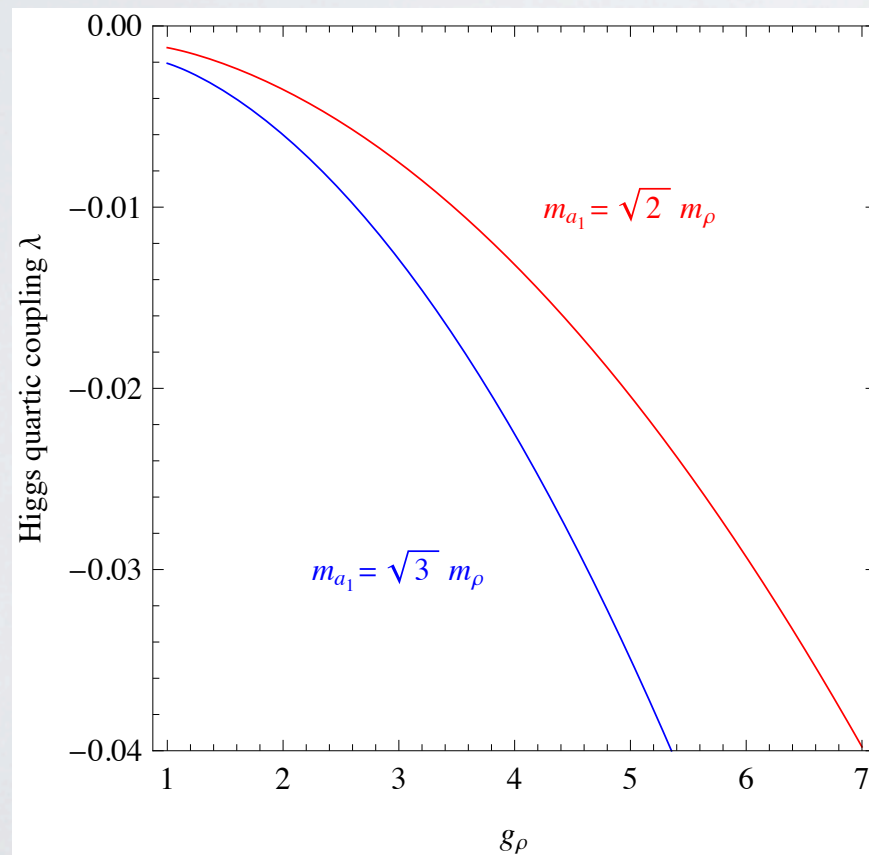
Higgs mass is then “predicted”.

# Gauge contribution:

$$V(h)_{\text{gauge}} = \frac{9}{2} \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \ln \left[ 1 + F(p^2) \sin^2 \frac{h}{f} \right]$$

$$V(h)_{\text{gauge}} \approx \frac{9}{4} \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{m_\rho^4}{g_\rho^2} \ln \left[ \frac{m_\rho^2 + m_{a_1}^2}{2m_\rho^2} \right] \sin^2 \frac{h}{f}$$

$$\lambda(m_\rho)_{\text{gauge}}^{\text{leading}} \approx -3g^2 \log \frac{3}{2} \frac{g_\rho^2}{(4\pi)^2}$$





- Leading order tuning

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