# DILATON PORTAL TO COMPOSITE TWIN HIGGS

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- An interesting possibility to avoid strong LHC bounds on the top-partners is offered by the <u>Neutral Naturalness</u> paradigm, where the top-partners are SM neutral states.





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- Requiring minimal fine tuning implies relatively small scale f, which implies that at scale  $\Lambda = 4\pi f$  a UV completion of twin Higgs models becomes necessary!

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- The weak groups  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_{\hat{L}} \subset SO(8)$  of the two sectors are gauges.
- In the unitary gauge out of 7 Goldstone bosons, 6 are 'eaten' by the SM and twin weak gauge bosons  $(W^{\pm}, Z, \hat{W}^{\pm}, \hat{Z})$  and the remaining Goldstone serve as the SM Higgs boson *h*.

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- Therefore the effective theory contains only SM and its twin copy. The natural portals to the connect the two sectors are:
  - Higgs portal:  $\frac{v}{f}h\hat{\psi}\hat{\psi}$
  - Hypercharge portal:  $\epsilon B_{\mu\nu} \hat{B}_{\mu\nu}$

[see S. Najjari's talk]



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• We assume the mass of the dilaton as a free parameter and require  $m_{\phi} \ll \mathcal{F}$ , such that an effective theory below scale  $\mathcal{F}$  is

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \hat{\mathcal{L}}_{\text{TS}} + \mathcal{L}_{ ext{dilaton}} + \mathcal{L}_{ ext{portal}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{portal}} = -\frac{\phi}{\mathcal{F}} \left[ T^{\mu}_{\mu} + \hat{T}^{\mu}_{\mu} \right]$$

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In holographic picture, the dilaton is identified as the radion.

## DILATON PORTAL COMPOSITE/HOLOGRAPHIC TWIN HIGGS



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- Useful dictionary  $m_{\rm KK} = g_* f \,, \qquad g_* \equiv g \, \sqrt{kL}$ 

$$\boxed{\mathcal{F} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{M_{\rm Pl}}{k} \, g_* \, f}$$

$$m_{\rm twin} \simeq \frac{f}{v} m_{\rm SM}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{portal}} = -\frac{\phi}{\mathcal{F}} \left[ T^{\mu}_{\mu} + \hat{T}^{\mu}_{\mu} \right]$$

Phenomenology is fixed by:

 $m_{\phi}, \ \mathcal{F}, \ f, \ m_{\mathrm{KK}}$ 

#### DILATON PHENOMENOLOGY: BRANCHING FRACTIONS



• For  $m_{\phi} \gtrsim 2m_{\hat{V}}$  thanks to Goldstone equivalence theorem,

$$\mathcal{B}(\phi \to hh) \simeq \mathcal{B}(\phi \to VV) \simeq \mathcal{B}(\phi \to \hat{V}\hat{V}) \simeq \frac{1}{7}$$

 Massless bosons BRs are enhanced due to the trace anomalous and bulk contributions, while the fermions BRs are proportional to their masses.

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- The twin sector (invisible) branching fraction of the dilaton.
- Dilaton branching ratios are independent of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

### DILATON PHENOMENOLOGY: PRODUCTION AT THE LHC



- Dilaton production cross section at the LHC is dominated by the ggF, we calculate at order N<sup>3</sup>LO adopting SusHi-1.7 with PDF4LHC15\_nnlo\_mc.
- Naively, one expects the VBF to be comparable of ggF but the large anomalous coupling of dilaton to gluons makes the later dominant.

#### DILATON PHENOMENOLOGY: BOUNDS AND PROJECTIONS



- LHC run2 direct searches of heavy scalars to dibosons place the most stringent bounds, excluding  $\mathcal{F} \lesssim 6$  TeV.
- HL-LHC (HE-LHC) with 3000/fb would exclude  $\mathcal{F} \lesssim 10(20)$  TeV.

GLOBAL FIT TO THE TWIN HIGGS PARAMETERS



• Global  $\chi^2$  fit is performed employing all the LHC run-2 Higgs data.

•  $\chi^2$  fit with LHC run-2 data excludes  $f/v \leq 4$  at  $3\sigma$ . This result is independent of the presence of the dilaton portal!

# Conclusions

- Twin Higgs mechanism offers an interesting possibility to solve the little hierarchy problem by SM neutral top-partners.
- We considered strongly coupled nearly scale invariant UV completions of the twin Higgs models where a light dilaton state can provide a natural portal between the SM and twin (hidden) sectors.
- The effective theory of a twin Higgs dilaton portal can be described by four parameters,  $m_{\phi}, \mathcal{F}, f, m_{\mathrm{KK}}$ .
- Phenomenological study of this model at the LHC which implies for  $m_{\phi} \in [200 2000]$  GeV,  $\mathcal{F} \gtrsim 5$  TeV,  $f/v \gtrsim 4$  with  $m_{\mathrm{KK}} \sim 5$  TeV.
- The projected reach of HL-LHC and HE-LHC with 3000/fb could probe all the natural (FT up to 1%) parameter space of this model.

## Appendix

#### Feynman rules for dilaton portal twin Higgs

