# Walking Technicolor in light of $Z^\prime$ searches at the LHC

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#### Motivation for Technicolor

- Standard Model has many issues; hierarchy problem, no Dark Matter candidate, etc.
- Higgs discovery at LHC leaves many open questions Which Higgs? Fundamental or Composite? Higgs mechanism realised?
- Walking Technicolor (WTC) offers dynamical alternative to spontaneous EWSB
- WTC also addresses hierarchy problem and has a consistent Higgs boson-like *composite* particle

## Standard Model vs Technicolor

#### SM

- Simple, concise lagrangian
- No FCNC issues or tension with EW precision data
- Established and well tested model, agrees with current observation
- Fine-tuning and naturalness problem in 1-loop Higgs mass corrections
- No example of fundamental scalar

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- Complicated eff. lagrangian
- Constraints from FCNC require *walking*, possible EW precision data tension
- TC/Higgs interactions mediated by unknown ETC sector, no viable ETC model
- No fine-tuning,  $\Lambda_{TC} \sim 1 {\rm TeV}$  dynamically generated
- DSB seen in nature e.g. QCD, superconductivity

# Why 'Walking' Technicolor?

To give mass to SM fermions, need new gauge bosons at Extended Technicolor scale  $\Lambda_{ETC}.$ 

Chiral condensate  $\langle \psi \bar{\psi} \rangle$  evaluated at TC scale, but runs to ETC scale.



- Running no light scalar mode (Higgs)
- Walking motivates light Higgs from natural energy scale  $\Lambda_{TC}$
- Walking enhances  $\langle \psi \bar{\psi} \rangle$ , suppressing FCNC's
- Running gives too large S, ruled out by EWPD
  - $\bullet$  Walking reduced S, motivated by EWPD

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#### Particle Spectrum of NMWT

NMWT has simplest global (chiral) symmetry,

 $SU(2)_L \otimes SU(2)_R \otimes U(1)_Y.$ 

with chiral symmetry breaking pattern

 $2_L \otimes 2_R \otimes 1_Y \to 3_{V/A} + 1_V.$ 

Two new neutral resonances analogous to  $\rho$  and a mesons in QCD.

Gauge sector particle spectrum is then:

- SM gauge bosons  $\gamma$ , Z,  $W^{\pm}$
- $\bullet\,$  Composite Higgs as lightest scalar mode, analagous to  $\sigma\,$  meson in QCD
- New vector and axial triplets, physical particles are  $Z', W'^\pm$  and  $Z'', W''^\pm$

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#### Setup of NMWT

NMWT is encoded into the low energy effective Lagrangian

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

L/R fields are combination of TC and SM fields,

$$C_{L\mu} \equiv A_{L\mu} - \frac{g}{\tilde{g}} \tilde{W}_{\mu}, \qquad \qquad C_{R\mu} \equiv A_{R\mu} - \frac{g'}{\tilde{g}} \tilde{B}_{\mu},$$

Note: Coupling between TC and EW sector is  $1/\tilde{g}$ 

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#### Important Interactions of Z', Z''

Sample of Z'/Z'' decay modes, potential to constrain NMWT parameter space from LHC/collider searches.







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#### NMWT Parameter Space

Connect effective  ${\cal L}$  to underlying theory using vector/axial-vector masses and decay constants

$$\begin{split} M_V^2 &= m^2 + \frac{\tilde{g}^2(s-r_2)v^2}{4}, \qquad M_A^2 = m^2 + \frac{\tilde{g}^2(s+r_2)v^2}{4}, \\ \text{and Weinberg Sum Rules (WSR)} \\ S &= 4\pi \bigg[ \frac{F_V^2}{M_V^2} - \frac{F_A^2}{M_A^2} \bigg]. \end{split}$$

NMWT defined by 4-D parameter space

$$M_A, \qquad \tilde{g}, \qquad S, \qquad s.$$

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#### Model Implementation





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Z'(Z'') switches to mostly vector(axial-vector) resonance at the mass inversion

$$M_{inv}^{2} = \left(1 + \frac{g_{1}^{2} + g_{2}^{2}}{\tilde{g}^{2}}\right) \frac{4\pi}{S} F_{\pi}^{2}.$$
 (1)



Z' Branching fractions for all all channels in large coupling regime



At low  $M_A$  dilepton/quark branching is SM-like, at high  $M_A$  di-boson channel dominant.



Z' Branching fractions for all all channels in small coupling regime



Dilepton channel suppressed at all  $M_A$  due to high  $\tilde{g}$ , Zh dominant when  $M_A < M_{inv}$ ,  $W^+W^-$  dominant when  $M_A > M_{inv}$ .

## CMS Drell-Yan dilepton limit on NMWT

We calculate  $\sigma^{NNLO}(pp \rightarrow Z'/Z'' \rightarrow l^+l^+)$  by applying NNLO K-factors to LO  $\sigma_{theory}$  from CalcHEP.



Exclusion region defined by region where  $\sigma_{theory}^{NNLO} > \sigma^{exp}$ , Z' and Z'' exclude complementary regions of the NMWT parameter space.

# Outlook for WTC at HLLHC: $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV, 3000 fb $^{-1}$

Projected limits on WTC from dilepton channel at the proposed end-point of HLLHC



#### Conclusions and Outlook

Potential to disprove or discover Technicolor

- Made first steps by exploring scope of limits from DY dilepton channel
- Working with Holography group to predict the full spectrum of viable WTC models (see Nick Evan's talk)

In progress

- $\bullet$  Combining exclusions from complimentary VV and Vh channels for  $Z^\prime/Z^{\prime\prime}$
- Exclusions from *charged* vector mesons (W'/W'') from VV/Vh channels

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#### Weinberg Sum Rules

• Zeroth WSR  

$$S = 4\pi \left[ \frac{F_V^2}{M_V^2} - \frac{F_A^2}{M_A^2} \right]$$
(3)  
• First WSR

$$F_V^2 - F_A^2 = F_\pi^2$$
 (4)

• Second WSR

$$F_V^2 M_V^2 - F_A^2 M_A^2 = a \frac{8\pi^2}{d(R)} F_\pi^4$$
(5)

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#### Theoretical constraints

We can constrain the parameter space by considering deviations from 2nd  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{WSR}}$ 

$$a\frac{8\pi^2}{d(R)}F_{\pi}^4 = F_V^2 M_V^2 - F_A^2 M_A^2,$$
(6)

Require a > 0 for walking dynamics



#### Particle Spectrum

Theory with simplest global symmetry is NMWT, which adds  $SU(2)_R$  group to SM. Global (chiral) symmetry is

$$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_Y.$$
(7)

Chiral symmetry breaking pattern:

$$2_L \otimes 2_R \otimes 1_Y \to 3_{V/A} + 1_V, \tag{8}$$

We have **two gauge triplets** in TC sector under *hidden local* symmetry in the EFT. Physical particles are  $Z', W'^{\pm}$  and  $Z'', W''^{\pm}$ .

#### Gauge Mixing Matrix

Matrix of gauge field mixing can be set up directly from  $\mathcal{L}_{boson}$ 

$$\mathcal{M}_{N}^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{g_{1}^{2}}{\bar{g}^{2}} M_{V}^{2} & 0 & \frac{g_{1}}{\sqrt{2}\tilde{g}} M_{A}^{2} \chi & -\frac{g_{1}}{\sqrt{2}\tilde{g}} M_{V}^{2} \\ 0 & \frac{g_{2}^{2}}{\bar{g}^{2}} M_{V}^{2} & -\frac{g_{2}}{\sqrt{2}\tilde{g}} M_{A}^{2} \chi & -\frac{g_{2}}{\sqrt{2}\tilde{g}} M_{V}^{2} \\ \frac{g_{1}}{\sqrt{2}\tilde{g}} M_{A}^{2} \chi & -\frac{g_{2}}{\sqrt{2}\tilde{g}} M_{A}^{2} \chi & M_{A}^{2} & 0 \\ -\frac{g_{1}}{\sqrt{2}\tilde{g}} M_{V}^{2} & -\frac{g_{2}}{\sqrt{2}\tilde{g}} M_{V}^{2} & 0 & M_{V}^{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$
(9)

#### Analytic masses

We diagonalise  $\mathcal{M}_N^2$  perturbatively order by order in  $\tilde{g}^{-1}$ ,

$$\mathcal{N}^{\dagger}\mathcal{M}_{N}^{2}\mathcal{N}=\mathcal{D},$$
(10)

where diagonal elements of  $\mathcal{D}$  are square masses.

To 2nd order,

$$M_{Z'}^2 = M_A^2 \left( 1 + \frac{g_1^2 + g_2^2}{\tilde{g}^2} \chi^2 \right)$$
(11)

$$M_{Z''}^2 = M_A^2 \left( 1 + \frac{g_1^2 + g_2^2}{2\tilde{g}^2} \right) \left( \chi^2 + \frac{\tilde{g}^2 F_\pi^2}{2M_A^2} \right), \qquad (12)$$