

Higgs Couplings to Weak Gauge Bosons: Probing 2 New Physics Scales at Once!

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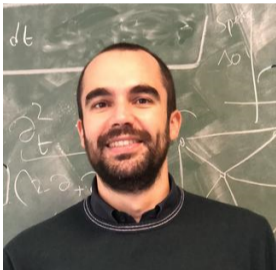
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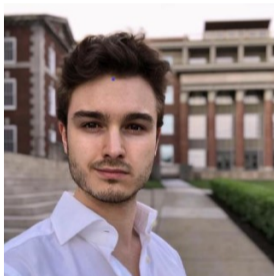
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Introduction – Collaboration

- Based on Upcoming Preprint: arXiv:230X.XXXX (Work in Progress).
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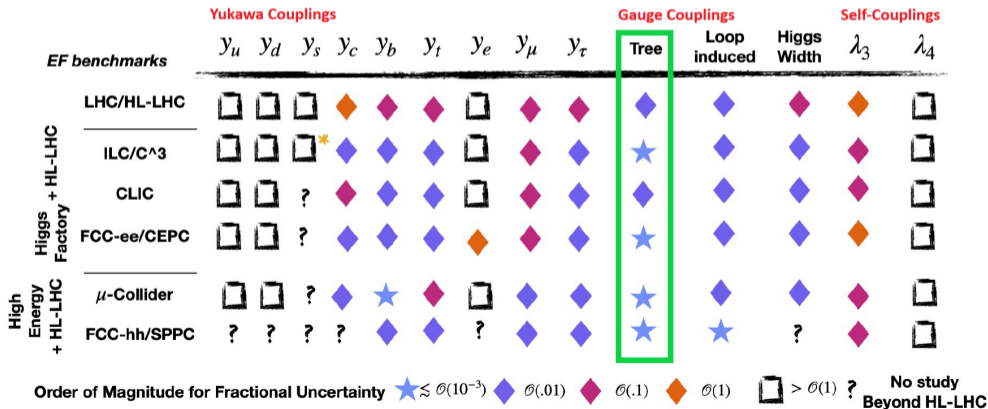
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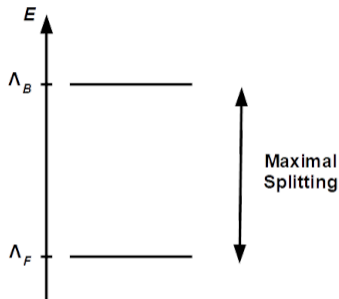
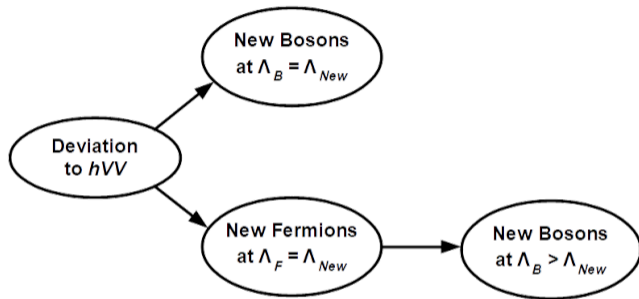
1. Introduction – Motivations

- **Precision Era:** Measurement of Higgs Boson Couplings \Rightarrow Indirect Probe of New Physics!
- **Claim:** $hVV \equiv hWW$ or hZZ Coupling Deviation \Rightarrow Upper Bound on Scale of New Bosons!
- **Goal:** Isolate a Model with the Most Conservative Bound (Even If Fine-Tuned).
- Projections of Higgs Coupling Sensitivity at Future Colliders [[Snowmass 2021](#), [arXiv.2211.11084](#)]:



1. Introduction – Basic Idea

- hVV Deviation from New Particles at Scale $\Lambda_{New} \Rightarrow$ Bosonic Λ_B AND/OR Fermionic Λ_F :



- SMEFT Analysis \Rightarrow Only Information on Λ_{New} .
- Our Work: Beyond SMEFT \Rightarrow Probing 2 New Scales at Once!
- Strategy Already Applied to Other Higgs Boson Couplings:
 - [Arkani-Hamed, Blum, D'Agnolo, Fan, JHEP 01 (2013) 149];
 - [Blum, D'Agnolo, Fan, JHEP 03 (2015) 166].

2. Benchmark Model

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2. Benchmark Model – Vectorlike Fermions

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- **Benchmark Model:** 2 Vectorlike Pairs (1 Hypercharge Not Fixed):

$$L = (r, n)_Y, \quad N^c = (\bar{r}, n - 1)_{-Y-1/2} \quad L^c = (\bar{r}, n)_{-Y}, \quad N = (r, n - 1)_{Y+1/2}$$

- **Renormalizable Lagrangian** \Rightarrow Vectorlike Masses & Yukawa Couplings:

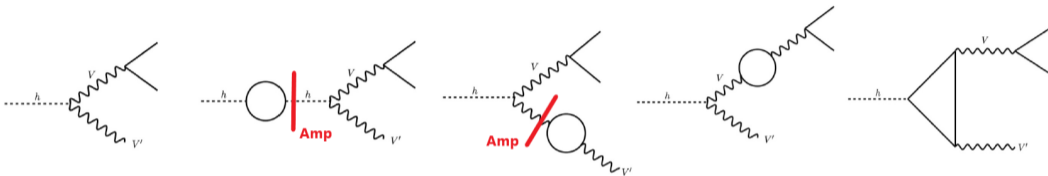
$$\mathcal{L}_4 = -yLHN^c - y^c L^c H^\dagger N - M_L LL^c - M_N NN^c + \text{h.c.}$$

(+ Suppressed or Vanishing Mixings with SM Fermions).

- **1 Physical Phase:** $\varphi = 0, \pi$ (No Constraints from CP Violation).
- **Perturbativity** $\Rightarrow |y|, |y^c| \leq \mathcal{O}(1)$.
- **Decoupling Limit:** $\Lambda_F \sim M_L, M_N \gg \Lambda_{EW}$.

2. Benchmark Model – New Fermion Contributions to hVV^*

- **3 Body Decays:** $h \rightarrow W^+ W^{-*} \rightarrow W^+ e^- \bar{\nu}_e$ & $h \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow Ze^- e^+$.
- **1-Loop Contributions from New Fermions:**



- **Relative Coupling Deviation:** Maximal when $M_L = M_N$ & $y = (-1)^n y^c$ (Heavy Fermions).

$$\delta\mu_{hVV} \equiv \frac{g_{hVV} - g_{hVV}^{\text{SM}}}{g_{hVV}^{\text{SM}}} = \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma(h \rightarrow VV^{(*)})}{\Gamma^{\text{SM}}(h \rightarrow VV^{(*)})}} - 1$$

- **Renormalization:** $\overline{\text{MS}}$ Parameters in Terms of Electroweak Precision Observables:
 - QED Fine-Structure Constant $\alpha_e(M_Z)$;
 - Fermi Constant G_F ;
 - Z-Boson Pole Mass M_Z .

$\Rightarrow \mu$ -Independence of $\delta\mu_{hVV}$ ($\mu \equiv$ Renormalization Scale).

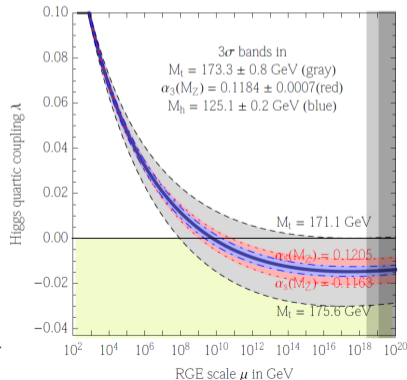
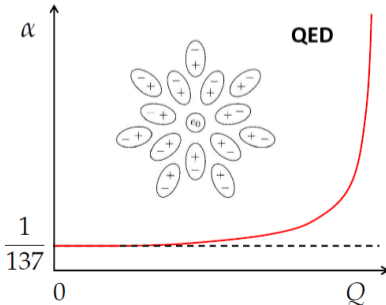
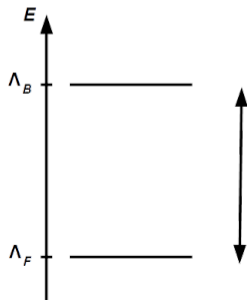
2. Benchmark Model – New Fermions \Rightarrow Cutoff \equiv New Bosonic Scale

- hVV^* at Tree Level in SM $\Rightarrow y, y^c \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ for Observable $\delta\mu_{hVV}$.
 \Rightarrow **Finite Range of Validity** \Rightarrow Cutoff $\Lambda_B \equiv$ **New Bosonic Scale!**
- **Instability of Higgs Potential OR Landau Poles for Yukawa Couplings:**

$$\frac{d\lambda}{d\log\mu} \sim -\frac{y^4}{16\pi^2} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dy}{d\log\mu} \sim \frac{y^3}{16\pi^2}$$

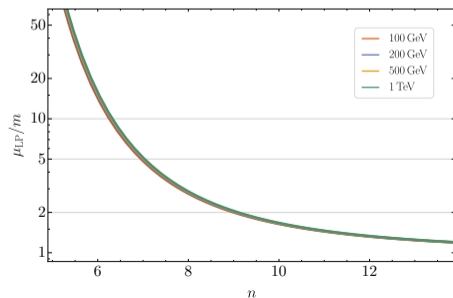
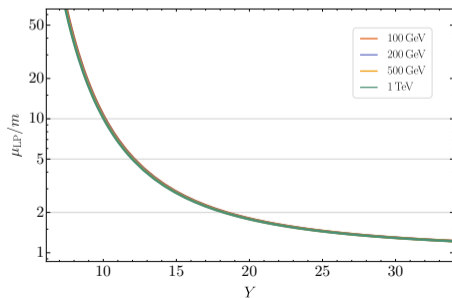
e.g. Top Quark in SM \Rightarrow Instability?

[Buttazzo et al., JHEP 12 (2013) 089]



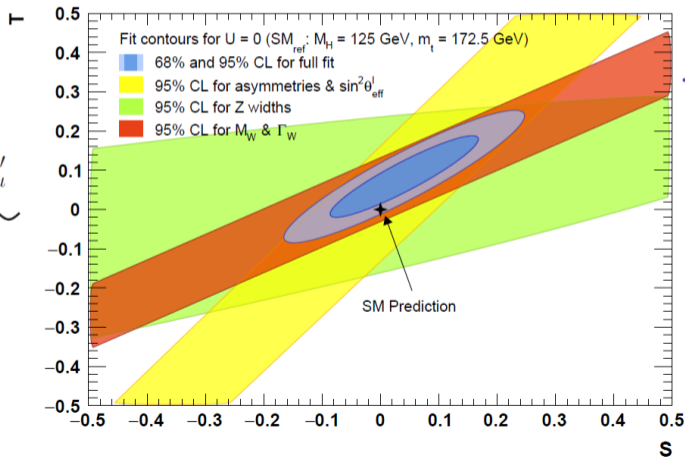
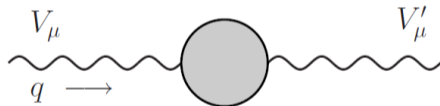
2. Benchmark Model – Reducing the Number of Representations

- **Goal:** Find the Most Conservative Upper Bound on Λ_B .
→ Intuitively: Doublet + Singlet ($n = 2, Y = -1/2$) \Rightarrow 2 Neutral + 1 Charged (+1).
- **Scaling Arguments:** Focus on 1 Generation of **Vectorlike Leptons!** (cf. Backup).
 - No Clear Scaling Argument to Exclude Larger n or Y .
 - Colored Representations OR Multiple Generations \Rightarrow Lower Λ_B .
- **Landau Poles μ_{LP} for Electroweak Gauge Couplings:** (1-Loop RGE's, Mass Scale $m \equiv \Lambda_F$)
 - $U(1)_Y$ Weak Hypercharge with $(n = 2, y = y^c = 0) \Rightarrow n \lesssim 6$.
 - $SU(2)_W$ Weak Isospin with $(Y = 0, y = y^c = 0) \Rightarrow Y \lesssim 10$.



2. Benchmark Model – New Fermions \Rightarrow Oblique Electroweak Corrections

- New Fermions \Rightarrow 1-Loop Corrections to Self-Energies of EW Gauge Bosons \Rightarrow Main Constraints.
- Peskin-Takeuchi Parameters: S , T & U [Peskin, Takeuchi, PRD 46 (1992) 381-409].
 $\Rightarrow S$ & T Fit with $U = 0$ [Gfitter Group, EPJC 78 (2018) 8, 675]:

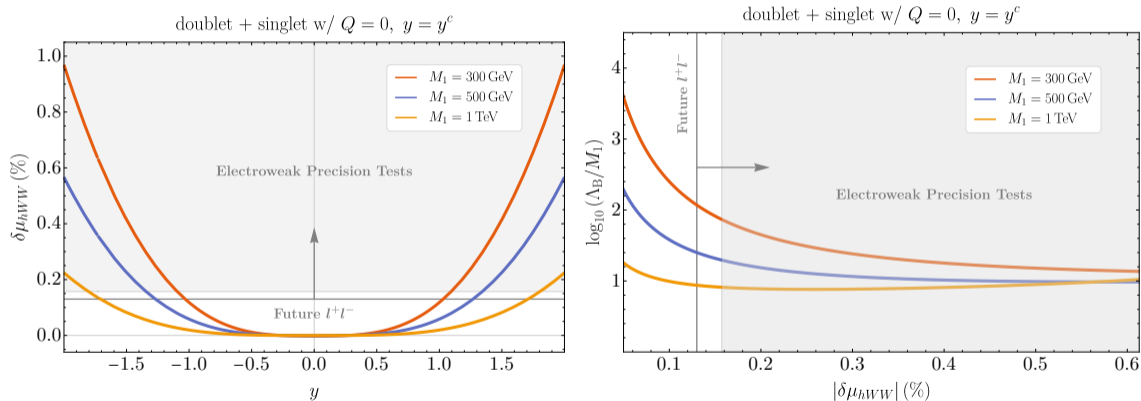


3. Results & Plot Gallery for $h \rightarrow WW^*$

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3. Results for $h \rightarrow WW^*$ – Doublet + Singlet

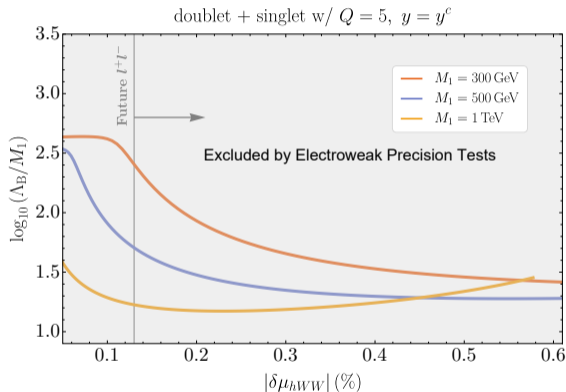
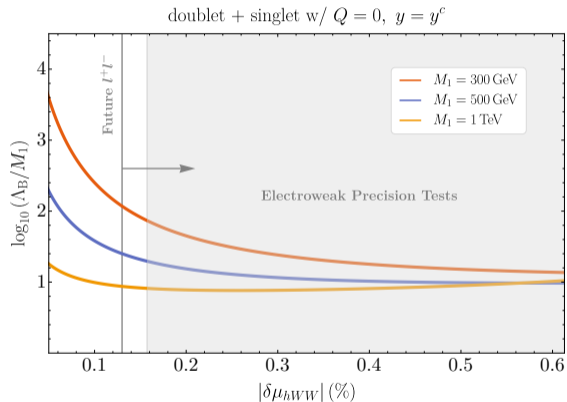
Doublet + Singlet Leptons ($n = 2$, $Y = -1/2$) \Rightarrow 2 Neutral ($Q = 0$) + 1 Charged (+1):



Plots for $M_L = M_N$ (2-Loop RGE's with SARAH).

3. Results for $h \rightarrow WW^*$ – Higher-Hypercharge

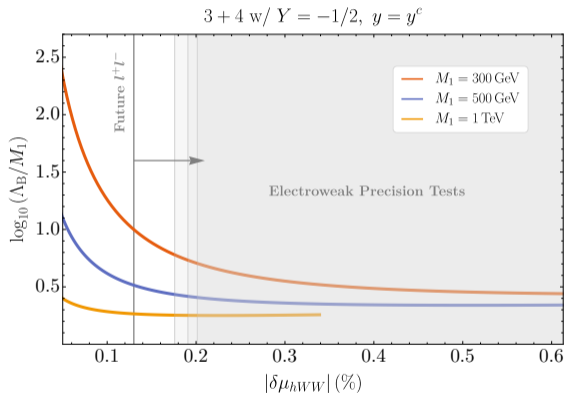
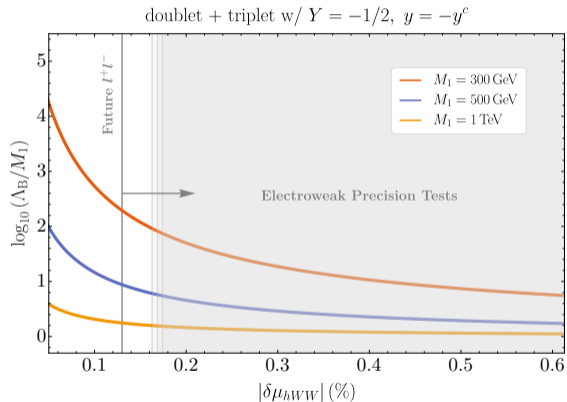
Increasing $Y \Rightarrow$ Excluded by S & T .



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3. Results for $h \rightarrow WW^*$ – Higher-Representations

Increasing $n \Rightarrow$ Lower Λ_B for Heavy Leptons:



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4. Epilogue (1/2)

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4. Epilogue (2/2)

- **Work in Progress:**

- Doublet + Singlet Leptons ($Y = -1/2$) \Rightarrow Light Neutral Lepton.
 \Rightarrow Collider Constraints? (\sim Higgsino-Bino System) Oblique EW Corrections?
- Collider Constraints for Higher-Representations? Higher-Hypercharges?
- Study of $\delta\mu_{hZZ} \Rightarrow$ Similar Results.

- **3 Punchlines:**

- **Pure Fermionic Extensions of SM \Rightarrow Finite Range of Validity:**
 \Rightarrow Upper Bound on New Bosonic Scale!
 \Rightarrow Most Conservative Upper Bound ($\delta\mu_{hVV} \neq 0$) For Doublet + Singlet ($Q = 0$).
- If $\delta\mu_{hVV} \neq 0$ at **HL-LHC** ($\sim 1\%$ Sensitivity) \Rightarrow **Look for New Bosons!** (Minimal Model)
- If $\delta\mu_{hVV} \neq 0$ at **FCC** ($\sim 0.1\%$ Sensitivity) \Rightarrow **New Fermions?** \Rightarrow **New Bosons Not Far!**

Thank You for Your Attention!

5. Backup

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5. Backup – Model Selection

- **Pure BSM Fermionic Extensions:** Classification in [Bizot, Frigerio, JHEP 01 (2016) 036].
⇒ Consider Only Relevant Models for Higgs Couplings.

- **Minimal Extension:** 1 Vectorlike Pair + 1 Majorana ⇒ Fixed Hypercharge.

- **Benchmark Model:** 2 Vectorlike Pairs (1 Hypercharge Not Fixed):

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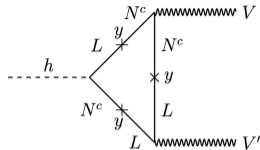
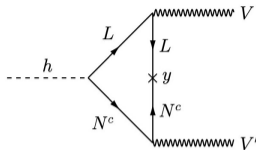
- **Few Special Cases:** $r = \bar{r}$, $Y = 0$, $(n - 1 \text{ odd})$ ⇒ Other Possible Terms.
⇒ Qualitatively Similar (No Detailed Study).

- **Landau Pole:** QCD Coupling g_s Blows Up Near Λ_F ⇒ $r \leq 8$.

5. Backup – Scaling Arguments (1/2)

- Scaling of δg_{hVV} from 2 Diagrams:

$$\delta g_{hVV} = \frac{g_V^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\beta_1 \frac{y^2 v^2}{\Lambda_F^2} + \beta_2 \frac{y^4 v^2}{\Lambda_F^2} \right)$$



- Colored Fermions:** Future Colliders ($\delta\mu_{hVV} \gtrsim 0.1\%$) $\Rightarrow y^4$ Term Dominates!

- $\Lambda_B \equiv$ **Landau Pole:** Fixed $y_r = \sqrt{r}y \Rightarrow$ Same Λ_B for Any r :

$$\delta g_{hVV} \sim \frac{g_V^2}{16\pi^2} \cdot \frac{y_r^4 v^2}{r \Lambda_F^2}.$$

- $\Lambda_B \equiv$ **Vacuum Instability:** Fixed $y_r = \sqrt[4]{r}y \Rightarrow$ Same Λ_B for Any r :

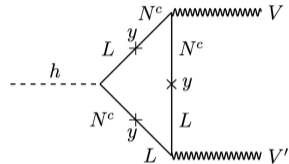
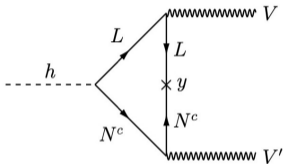
$$\delta g_{hVV} \sim \frac{g_V^2}{16\pi^2} \cdot \frac{y_r^4 v^2}{\Lambda_F^2}.$$

\Rightarrow Smaller δg_{hVV} than for Color Singlets + Stronger Collider Constraints on $\Lambda_F \Rightarrow$ Lower Λ_B .

- \mathcal{N} **Generations of Vectorlike Fermions:** Similar Arguments.

5. Backup – Scaling Arguments (2/2)

- Scaling of δg_{hVV} from 2 Diagrams:



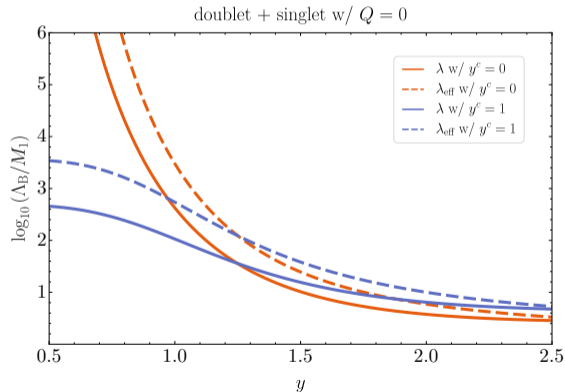
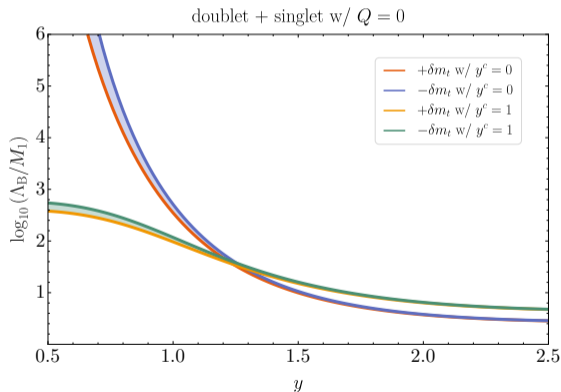
- Higher-Isospin Representations: Large n :

$$\delta g_{hVV} \sim \frac{g_V^2}{16\pi^2} \left(\beta_1 n^3 \frac{y^2 v^2}{\Lambda_F^2} + \beta_2 n \frac{y^4 v^2}{\Lambda_F^2} \right), \quad 16\pi^2 \frac{dy}{d \log \mu} \sim ny^3, \quad 16\pi^2 \frac{d\lambda}{d \log \mu} \sim -ny^4 + n\lambda y^2.$$

\Rightarrow No Scaling Argument to Exclude Higher-Representations! Likewise for Higher-Hypercharges!

5. Backup – Higgs Potential Instability

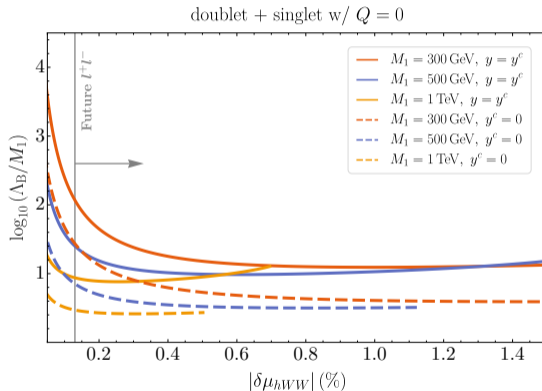
- **Instability Scale Not Sensitive to Top Quark Mass** (M_t vs $2M_t$ on Left Plot).
- **Ambiguity on Higgs Quartic Coupling:** (Right Plot)
 - Gauge Invariant (Solid Lines) \Rightarrow The One We Used.
 - Effective Potential (Dashed Lines) \Rightarrow Not So Different.



Plots for Doublet + Singlet ($Q = 0$), $M_L = M_N$, (2-Loop RGE's with SARAH)

5. Backup – Different Yukawa Couplings

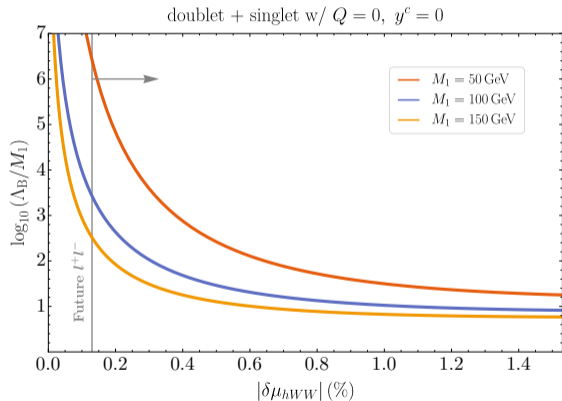
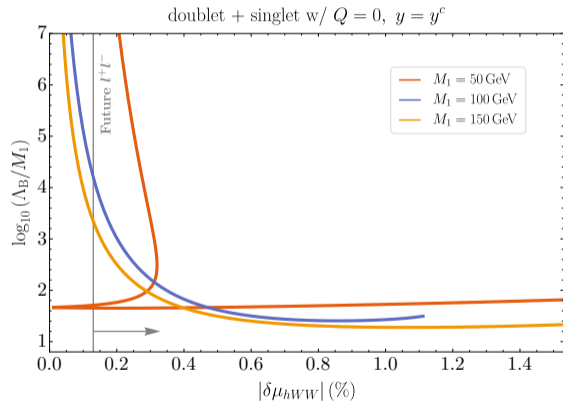
Work in Progress: Doublet + Singlet Leptons ($Y = -1/2$) with $y \neq y^c$.
⇒ Lower Cutoff Λ_B (Need to Add S & T Constraints).



Plot for $M_L = M_N$ (2-Loop RGE's with SARAH).

5. Backup – Low Mass (1/2)

Work in Progress: Doublet + Singlet Leptons ($Y = -1/2$) \Rightarrow Light Neutral Lepton.
 \rightarrow Oblique EW Corrections?



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5. Backup – Low Mass (2/2)

Work in Progress: Collider Constraints \sim Higgsino-Bino System (Plot for $M_L = M_N$):

