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# **Beyond the Standard Model at a Higgs and Tera-Z factory**

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Pre-LHC: **high anticipation** of accompanying BSM particles *expected* to appear together with the Higgs.

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Conventional **symmetry-based** solutions *have not shown up*!

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Maybe **just around the corner**…

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…but the larger the separation of scales, the more **fine-tuned** the *underlying* theory is!

The Higgs boson's hierarchy problem is a **profound mystery**, that is **even more perplexing** in the absence of new physics at the LHC.

Our **Michelson-Morley moment?**

Take fine-tuning problems seriously.

*e.g.* 2205.05708 N. Craig - Snowmass review, 1307.7879 G. Giudice - Naturalness after LHC

Example 1

$$
(m_e c^2)_{obs} = (m_e c^2)_{bare} + \Delta E_{\text{Coulomb}} \qquad \Delta E_{\text{Coulomb}} = \frac{1}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{e^2}{r_e}
$$
  
Avoiding cancellation between "bare" mass and divergent self-energy in  
classical electrodynamics requires new physics around  

$$
e^2/(4\pi\varepsilon_0 m_e c^2) = 2.8 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}
$$

Indeed, the positron and quantum-mechanics appears just before!

$$
\Delta E = \Delta E_{\rm Coulomb} + \Delta E_{\rm pair} = \frac{3\alpha}{4\pi} m_e c^2 \log \frac{\hbar}{m_e c r_e}
$$

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#### Example 2

Divergence in pion mass: 
$$
m_{\pi^{\pm}}^2 - m_{\pi^0}^2 = \frac{3\alpha}{4\pi} \Lambda^2
$$

Experimental value is  $m_{\pi^{\pm}}^2 - m_{\pi_0}^2 \sim (35.5 \,\text{MeV})^2$ .

Expect new physics at  $\Lambda \sim 850$  MeV to avoid fine-tuned cancellation.

 $\rho$  meson appears at 775 MeV!

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#### Example 3

Divergence in Kaons mass difference in a theory with only up, down, strange:

$$
m_{K^0_L}-m_{K^0_S}=\simeq \frac{1}{16\pi^2}m_Kf^2_KG^2_F\sin^2\theta_C\cos^2\theta_C\times \Lambda^2,
$$

Avoiding fine-tuned cancellation requires  $\Lambda < 3$  GeV.

Gaillard & Lee in 1974 predicted the charm quark mass!

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Higgs?

Higgs also has a quadratically divergent contribution to its mass

$$
\Delta m_H^2 = \frac{\Lambda^2}{16\pi^2} \left( -6y_t^2 + \frac{9}{4}g^2 + \frac{3}{4}g'^2 + 6\lambda \right)
$$

Avoiding fine-tuned cancellation requires  $\Lambda < O(100)$  GeV??

As  $\Lambda$  is pushed to the TeV scale by null results, tuning is around 10% - 1%.

Note: in the SM the Higgs mass is a parameter to be measured, not calculated. What the quadratic divergence represents (independently of the choice of renormalisation scheme) is the fine-tuning in an underlying theory in which we expect the Higgs mass to be calculable.

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• Are we missing a **fundamentally new** *"post-naturalness"* principle? *(c.f. null results in search for aether)*

#### **Many more open questions**

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• **Arbitrary:**

Higgs potential, yukawa couplings, flavour structure, quantized hypercharges, matterantimatter asymmetry – *arbitrary parameters put in by hand.*

#### • **Unnatural:**

Higgs mass, cosmological constant, strong-CP problem – *fine-tuned cancellations between independent contributions.*

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• **Incomplete:**

*Experimental & observational evidence*: dark matter, neutrino mass.

• **Inconsistent:** 

*Theoretical evidence*: quantum gravity, black hole information paradox.

*e.g.* Nature of the **electroweak phase transition**: *first or second order?*



Potential gravitational wave signal in range accessible by LISA

*e.g.* Does the Higgs boson give any other particles *most* of their mass?



2110.02967 Banta, Cohen, Craig, Lu, Sutherland 2409.18177 Crawford, Sutherland

• Mass fraction  $f > 0.5$  obtained from Higgs can be almost entirely excluded.

*e.g.* What is the **vacuum instability scale** in the SM?

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Snowmass 2021 [Dunsky, Harigaya, Hall](https://www.snowmass21.org/docs/files/summaries/TF/SNOWMASS21-TF8_TF5-EF3_EF5-NF3_NF0-RF4_RF0-CF1_CF3-012.pdf)

Uncertainty can be reduced from  $O(10^6)$  down to *a factor of ~2!* Potential implications for BSM.

*e.g.* Is the Higgs mass set by **cosmological self-organised criticality**? 1907.07693 Khoury et al,

2105.08617 Giudice, McCullough, **TY** 2108.09315 Khoury, Steingasser

![](_page_20_Figure_4.jpeg)

Vacuum instability scale sets Higgs mass upper bound, must be lowered by light BSM particles. Finite parameter space comprehensively probed by Higgs factory and Tera-Z.

# **Why Tera-Z?**

*"Quantum totalitarian principle"* at loop level **mixes in physics** not typically thought to be constrained at Z pole, **now accessible by ultra-high electroweak precision**.

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*e.g.* Singlet scalar *even with custodial symmetry* can now be constrained by T parameter at Next-to-Leading Log.

# **Why Tera-Z?**

#### 2311.00020 Allwicher, Cornella, Isidori, Stefanek

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**Powerful indirect exploration** of the multi-TeV scale @ Tera-Z.

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**Naturalness** a major motivation for fully exploring 3rd gen @ TeV.

See also 2407.09593 Stefanek

**Simplified models** are another way of quantifying the sensitivity of a Tera-Z factory.

e.g. BSM that couple *linearly* to the SM form a finite set: 1711.10391 de Blas, Criado, Perez-Victoria, Santiago

**Scalars** 

Name	$\begin{array}{cc} & \mathcal{S} \end{array}$	$\mathcal{S}_1$	$\mathcal{S}_2$	$\varphi$	$\angle$ $E$ $>$	$\Xi_1$	$\Theta_1$	$\Theta_3$
Irrep			$(1,1)_0$ $(1,1)_1$ $(1,1)_2$ $(1,2)_\frac{1}{2}$ $(1,3)_0$ $(1,3)_1$ $(1,4)_\frac{1}{2}$ $(1,4)_\frac{3}{2}$					
Name	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_4$	$\overline{\phantom{a}}\Pi_1$	$\Pi_7$			
			Irrep $(3,1)_{-\frac{1}{3}}$ $(3,1)_{\frac{2}{3}}$ $(3,1)_{-\frac{4}{3}}$ $(3,2)_{\frac{1}{6}}$ $(3,2)_{\frac{7}{6}}$ $(3,3)_{-\frac{1}{3}}$					
Name	$\Omega_1$	$\Omega_2$	$\Omega_4$		$\Phi$			
Irrep			$(6,1)\frac{1}{3}$ $(6,1)\frac{2}{3}$ $(6,1)\frac{4}{3}$ $(6,3)\frac{1}{3}$ $(8,2)\frac{1}{2}$					

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#### **Vectors**

![](_page_23_Picture_42.jpeg)

Fermions

#### **Tree-level** SMEFT structure and current **LEP+LHC** constraints: 2012.02779 Ellis, Madigan, Mimasu, Sanz, **TY**

![](_page_24_Picture_20.jpeg)

![](_page_25_Picture_57.jpeg)

#### **One-loop** SMEFT structure and Tera-Z constraints: 24xx.xxxx Gargalionis, Vuong, Quevillon, TY

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(Preliminary)

Linear SM extensions extensively probed by **Z-pole** at Tera-Z – a **quantum leap** in sensitivity.

*"Tera-Z is argued to provide an almost inescapable probe of heavy new physics"*

2408.03992 Allwicher, McCullough, Renner

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The ultimate goal of fundamental physics is to go **Beyond the Standard Model** (BSM).

![](_page_27_Figure_3.jpeg)

BSM combines our **experimental**, **observational**, and **theoretical** knowledge of the Universe.

We *are* getting closer to the ultimate truth, empirically, though **many unanswered problems** remain.

**Astrophysics** and **Cosmology** probe *indirectly* some of the highest energies or weakest interactions.

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**Theoretical consistency** can be a fruitful guide for making progress.

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**Particle physics** plays a *unique role* in enabling *experimental* access to small scales.

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Exploring the fundamental nature of reality at the zeptoscale is a true frontier of the unknown.

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Sometimes an anomaly in **indirect precision** measurement = *something missing*:

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Other times its implications are *far more radical*:

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# **Concluding Remarks**

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- Telescopes are **space observatories** for exploring *outer space*
- Colliders are *experimental* **particle observatories** for exploring *inner space*
- We need **all eyes open on all scales** in our universe to make progress

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Sharpen our picture of the Universe, *e.g. before and after FCC-ee / CEPC*.

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**Indirect precision measurements** are of fundamental importance, complementary to direct searches.

*Indirect evidence preceded direct discovery* for nearly all SM particles – **same may be true of BSM**.

However, there are **no guarantees** of BSM discovery at future colliders; there are no guarantees of BSM discovery *anywhere else* either.

What we can guarantee is a **rich and wide-ranging programme** of fundamental physics that will significantly advance our understanding of the Universe.

There is **value in pushing frontiers** – *definite questions are answered*, and we learn something regardless of the outcome.

A **new generation** of improved measurements, analysis techniques, theoretical calculations, data management, hardware development, cutting-edge engineering, large international collaboration, and popular culture inspiration *can only benefit humanity* regardless of our own short-sighted disappointment at lack of BSM. **Doing good science is its own reward.**

Maintain a **spirit of curiosity** and of **exploring the unknown**.

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–A. Michelson 1903

• *"What would be the use of such extreme refinement in the science of measurement? Very briefly and in general terms the answer would be that in this direction the greater part of all future discovery must lie. The more important fundamental laws and facts of physical science have all been discovered, and these are so firmly established that the possibility of their ever being supplanted in consequence of new discoveries is exceedingly remote. Nevertheless, it has been found that there are apparent exceptions to most of these laws, and this is particularly true when the observations are pushed to a limit, i.e., whenever the circumstances of experiment are such that extreme cases can be examined."* 

–A. Michelson 1903