

LEPTON FLAVOR VIOLATING SIGNALS FROM CHARGED SCALARS OF LITTLEST HIGGS MODEL AT LHC

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■ Standard Model; SM

- In agreement with experimental data
- LHC is running with a big motivation in finding "Higgs Scalar", missing component of SM.
- If Higgs boson is to be found

The leading problem: Stabilize its mass against quadratically divergent radiative corrections.

HIERARCHY PROBLEM

Also SM,

- can not account for neutrino masses
- can not explain CP problem
- no explanation for dark matter
- ...

Obligatory to go beyond SM: Physics BSM.

- Many models have been proposed
- including Little Higgs models
 - Deserves special attention, due to their elegant way to solve the hierarchy problem
 - Littlest Higgs model(LHM)¹:
 - most economical little Higgs model

¹Arkani-Hamed et al:arXiv:hep-ph/0206020

OUTLINE:

In this talk:

- Brief review of Littlest Higgs model
- Lepton flavor violation in littlest Higgs models
- Processes that can give rise to lepton flavor violation at LHC
 - 1 $p + p \rightarrow \phi^{++}\phi^{--}$
 - 2 $p + p \rightarrow \phi^{++}\phi^{-}$
 - 3 $p + p \rightarrow \phi^{+}\phi^{-}$
- Final state analysis for production processes
- Conclusions

Littlest Higgs model

- **Motivation:** to overcome hierarchy problem
- **Approach:** Enlarge the symmetry group of the SM
- then use a collective symmetry breaking mechanism.
- Global symmetry $SU(5)$ with a weakly gauged group of $(SU(2) \otimes U(1))^2$.

- Collective symmetry breaking mechanism:

1 By choosing a vacuum condensate:

- $SU(5) \rightarrow SO(5)$ at a scale $f \sim 1TeV$
- at low energies model can be described by number of degrees of freedom of Nambu-Goldstone bosons(NGB).
- each broken generator \rightarrow NGBs; 14 NGB.

- Breaking of global symmetry triggers spontaneous breaking of $(SU(2) \otimes U(1))^2 \rightarrow SU(2) \otimes U(1)$ of SM.
- some of the gauge bosons gain masses by eating four NGBs.
- $U(1)_1$ and $U(1)_2$ bosons get mixing; mixing angle θ , and $s = \sin \theta$.
- $SU(2)_1$ and $SU(2)_2$ bosons get mixing; mixing angle θ' , and $s' = \sin \theta'$.
- 4 massive, 4 massless gauge bosons; scalar doublet(h) and the scalar triplet (ϕ) remain physical.

2 standard electroweak symmetry breaking (EWSB) occurs at $v = 246\text{GeV}$, resulting

- 1 gauge bosons gain extra masses and mixings
- 2 SM vector bosons (W_L^+ , Z_L and A_L)
new heavy vector bosons (W_H^+ , Z_H and A_H)
- 3 SM Higgs scalar: (H)
new heavy scalars: (ϕ^0 , ϕ^P , ϕ^+ and ϕ^{++})
All degenerate in mass.

■ Masses of the gauge bosons:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{W_L^\pm}^2 &= m_w^2 \left[1 - \frac{v^2}{f^2} \left(\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4}(c^2 - s^2)^2 \right) + 4 \frac{v'^2}{v^2} \right], \\
 M_{W_H^\pm}^2 &= \frac{f^2 g^2}{4s^2 c^2} - \frac{1}{4} g^2 v^2 + \mathcal{O}(v^4/f^2) = m_w^2 \left(\frac{f^2}{s^2 c^2 v^2} - 1 \right), \\
 M_{A_L}^2 &= 0, \\
 M_{Z_L}^2 &= m_z^2 \left[1 - \frac{v^2}{f^2} \left(\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{4}(c^2 - s^2)^2 + \frac{5}{4}(c'^2 - s'^2)^2 \right) + 8 \frac{v'^2}{v^2} \right], \\
 M_{A_H}^2 &= \frac{f^2 g'^2}{20s'^2 c'^2} - \frac{1}{4} g'^2 v^2 + g^2 v^2 \frac{x_H}{4s^2 c^2} = m_z^2 s_w^2 \left(\frac{f^2}{5s'^2 c'^2 v^2} - 1 + \frac{x_H c_w^2}{4s^2 c^2 s_w^2} \right), \\
 M_{Z_H}^2 &= \frac{f^2 g^2}{4s^2 c^2} - \frac{1}{4} g^2 v^2 - g'^2 v^2 \frac{x_H}{4s'^2 c'^2} = m_w^2 \left(\frac{f^2}{s^2 c^2 v^2} - 1 - \frac{x_H s_w^2}{s'^2 c'^2 c_w^2} \right), \tag{1}
 \end{aligned}$$

- s and s' are mixing angle of $U(1)$ and $SU(2)$ groups respectively, and f is the symmetry breaking scale
- The masses of the scalars are:

$$M_\phi = \frac{\sqrt{2}f}{v\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{4v'f}{v^2}\right)^2}} M_H, \quad (2)$$

- The vacuum expectation values of h field:
 $\langle h^0 \rangle = v/\sqrt{2}$.
- The vacuum expectation values of ϕ fields:
 $\langle i\phi^0 \rangle = v'$

In the model:

- new vector bosons cancel out the divergences coming to Higgs mass from SM vector boson loops.
- new scalars cancel out the quadratic divergences to Higgs mass coming from Higgs self loop.
- a new fermion: T quark; introduced to cancel the quadratic divergences contributing to Higgs mass from t quark loop in SM.

Constraints on the littlest HM:

- f , s and s' are not restricted by the model.
- restricted by EWPD, and data from TEVATRON².
- TEVATRON constrains the mass of lightest heavy vector boson as: $M_{A_H} \geq 900 GeV$.
- This ruled out the original littlest Higgs model for $f < 4TeV$.

²T. Aaltonen, et al, CDF Collaboration, Phys.Rev.Lett.99:171802,2007.

Two modifications:

- 1 introduce T parity³
- 2 Fermions are gauged under both $U(1)$ subgroups⁴.
 - fermion boson couplings are modified
 - f can be small as 0.7TeV ($s \simeq 0.8$ and $s' \simeq 0.6$).
 - used in this work.
 - parameter space in this modification is:

$$\begin{aligned} 0.7\text{TeV} \leq f \leq 2\text{TeV} &\rightarrow 0.78 \leq s \leq 0.88 \quad \text{and} \quad 0.58 \leq s' \leq 0.70 \\ 2\text{TeV} \leq f \leq 3\text{TeV} &\rightarrow 0.65 \leq s \leq 0.99 \quad \text{and} \quad 0.40 \leq s' \leq 0.90 \end{aligned}$$

³H. C. Cheng and I. Low; arXiv:hep-ph/0405243.

⁴Csaki et al.; arXiv:hep-ph/0303236

Lepton Flavor Violation in Littlest Higgs model

- Remember: LHM has an extra complex scalar $SU(2)$ sector.
- For light fermions, a Majorana mass term can be implemented in Yukawa lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{LFV} = iY_{ij}L_i^T \phi C^{-1}L_j + \text{h.c.}, \quad (3)$$

where L_i are the lepton doublets $\begin{pmatrix} l & \nu_l \end{pmatrix}$.

- Y_{ij} are Yukawa couplings: $Y_{ii} = Y$ and $Y_{ij(i \neq j)} = Y'$.
- by this term neutrinos gain mass without need of right handed neutrinos.
- neutrino masses are given as: $M_{ij} = Y_{ij}v' = 10^{-10} \text{GeV}$
- v' : vacuum expectation value of scalar triplet has only an upper bound; $v' < \frac{v^2}{4f}$.

- decay width of the single charged scalar:



$$\begin{aligned}
 \Gamma_{\phi^+} &= 3\Gamma(\ell_i^+ \bar{\nu}_i) + 6\Gamma(\ell_i^+ \bar{\nu}_j) + \Gamma(W_L^+ H) + \Gamma(W_L^+ Z_L) + \Gamma(t\bar{b}) + \Gamma(T\bar{b}) \\
 &\approx \frac{N_c M_t^2 M_\phi}{32\pi f^2} + \frac{v'^2 M_\phi^3}{2\pi v^4} + \frac{3}{8\pi} |Y|^2 M_\phi + \frac{3}{4\pi} |Y'|^2 M_\phi.
 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

- Decays into $T\bar{b}$ are neglected since $M_\phi \sim M_T$.

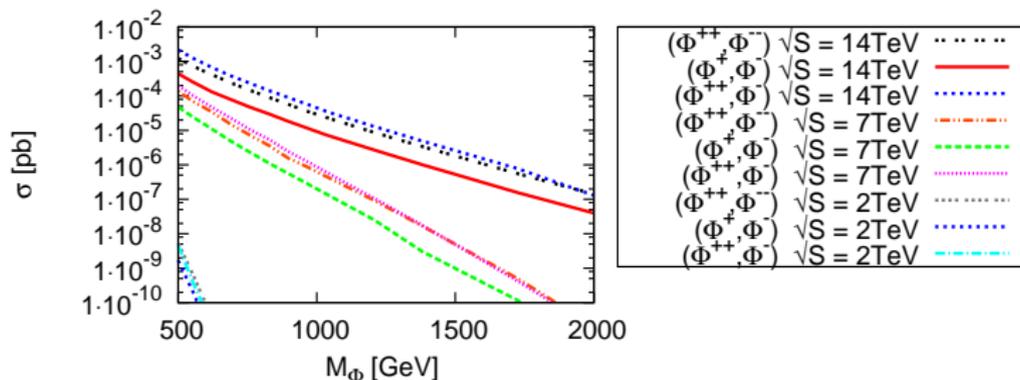
Processes

- Processes that can give rise to lepton flavor violation at LHC
 - 1 $p + p \rightarrow \phi^{++} \phi^{--}$
 - 2 $p + p \rightarrow \phi^{++} \phi^{-}$
 - 3 $p + p \rightarrow \phi^{+} \phi^{-}$
- The scattering amplitudes are calculated by using Calchep generator after implementing the models
- For PDF: CTEQ5L for protons

Numerical inputs in the calculations

- $M_h = 120\text{GeV}$.
- $\sqrt{S} = 2\text{TeV}$, $\sqrt{S} = 7\text{TeV}$ and $\sqrt{S} = 14\text{TeV}$.
- $0.5\text{TeV} \leq M_\phi \leq 2\text{TeV}$, $0.7\text{TeV} \leq f \leq 3\text{TeV}$.
- $s = 0.8$ and $s' = 0.6$.

Scattering amplitude of the processes



- Scattering amplitudes of the production processes in pps .

| | $\phi^{++}\phi^{--}$ | $\phi^{++}\phi^{-}$ | $\phi^{+}\phi^{-}$ |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| $\sqrt{S} = 2\text{TeV} , M_{\phi} = 0.5\text{TeV}$ | 10^{-8} | 10^{-8} | 10^{-9} |
| $\sqrt{S} = 7\text{TeV} , M_{\phi} = 0.5\text{TeV}$ | 1.4×10^{-4} | 2.4×10^{-4} | 0.6×10^{-4} |
| $\sqrt{S} = 14\text{TeV} , M_{\phi} = 0.5\text{TeV}$ | 1.2×10^{-3} | 2.9×10^{-3} | 0.5×10^{-3} |
| $\sqrt{S} = 14\text{TeV} , M_{\phi} = 0.75\text{TeV}$ | 2.3×10^{-3} | 3.6×10^{-4} | 0.4×10^{-4} |

- Productions via both processes are possible for $\sqrt{S} > 7TeV$ at LHC, but very low production rates
- For LHC with luminosity $100fb^{-1}$ (at least 2 more years):
 - 1 For the process $pp \rightarrow \phi^{++}\phi^{--}$, upto hundreds of events can be possible
 - 2 For the process $pp \rightarrow \phi^{++}\phi^{-}$, upto hundreds of events can be possible
 - 3 For the process $pp \rightarrow \phi^{+}\phi^{-}$, number of events can not reach to tens. This process is not contributing.

Final state analysis

■ Decays of the charged scalars⁶:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{\phi^{++}} &= \Gamma(W_L^+ W_L^+) + 3\Gamma(\ell_i^+ \ell_i^+) + 3\Gamma(\ell_i^+ \ell_j^+) \\ &\approx \frac{v'^2 M_\phi^3}{2\pi v^4} + \frac{3}{8\pi} |Y|^2 M_\phi + \frac{3}{4\pi} |Y'|^2 M_\phi \\ \Gamma_{\phi^+} &= 3\Gamma(\ell_i^+ \bar{\nu}_i) + 6\Gamma(\ell_i^+ \bar{\nu}_j) + \Gamma(W_L^+ H) + \Gamma(W_L^+ Z_L) + \Gamma(t\bar{b}) \\ &\approx \frac{N_c M_t^2 M_\phi}{32\pi f^2} + \frac{v'^2 M_\phi^3}{2\pi v^4} + \frac{3}{8\pi} |Y|^2 M_\phi + \frac{3}{4\pi} |Y'|^2 M_\phi.\end{aligned}$$

- $M_{ij} = Y_{ij} v'$ (M_{ij} neutrino mass matrix)
- $Y = Y_{ii}$ and $Y' = Y_{ij(i \neq j)}$
- $10^{-10} \text{GeV} < v' < 1 \text{GeV}$: allowed region; for $v' < 0.01$ production cross sections are not effected.

⁶T. Han et al:arXiv:hep-ph/0505260

- The decays of the double charged pair $\phi^{++}\phi^{--}$:

- 1 $v' > 10^{-6} GeV$ ($Y < 10^{-4}$): to SM bosonic states (no LFV)

$$\phi^{++}\phi^{--} \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^+ W_L^- W_L^-$$

- 2 $v' < 10^{-7} GeV$ ($Y > 10^{-3}$): to leptonic states (LFV)

- $\phi^{++}\phi^{--} \rightarrow l_i l_i l_j^+ l_j^+$: $BR \simeq 0.66$

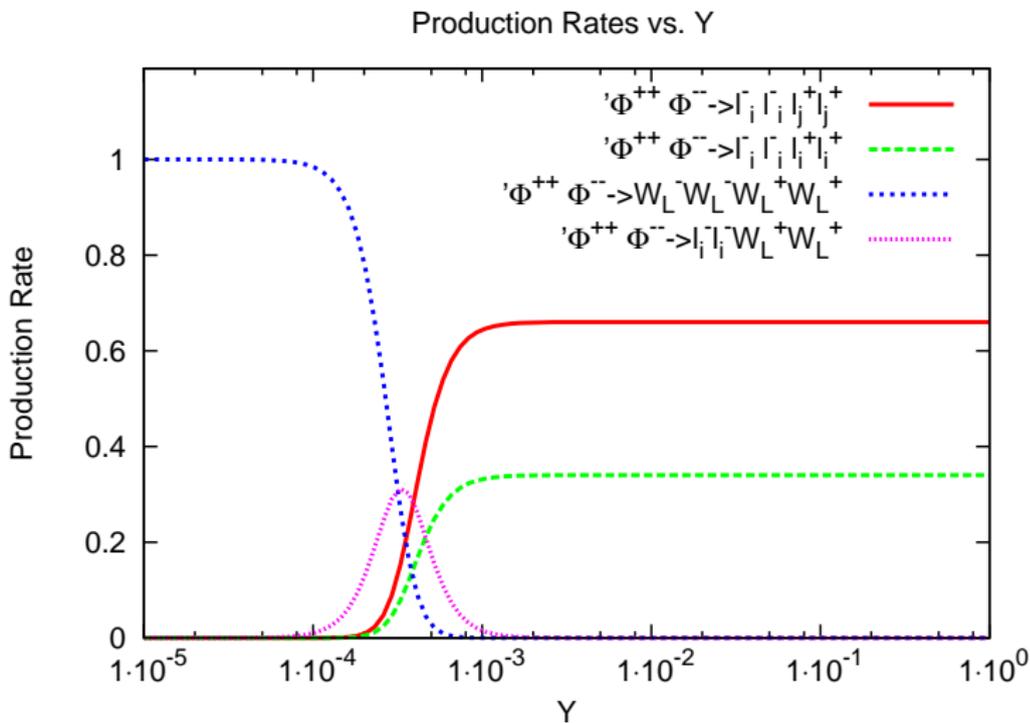
- $\phi^{++}\phi^{--} \rightarrow l_i l_i l_i^+ l_i^+$: $BR \simeq 0.33$

- 3 $10^{-6} < v' < 10^{-7} GeV$ ($10^{-3} > Y > 10^{-4}$): to semileptonic states (LFV)

$$\phi^{++}\phi^{--} \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^+ l_i l_i$$

W decays into jets with ~ 0.6 , in this case LNV by 2.

- Dependence of final decay modes of double charged pairs on Yukawa coupling Y .



- The decays of the charged pair $\phi^{++}\phi^{-}$:

1 $v' \sim 10^{-10} GeV$ ($Y \sim 1$): Lepton Flavor Violation by 1

- $\phi^{++}\phi^{-} \rightarrow l_i l_j l_j^+ \bar{\nu}_j$ with rate 0.66

- $\phi^{++}\phi^{-} \rightarrow l_i l_i l_i^+ \bar{\nu}_i$ with rate 0.33.

2 $10^{-7} < v' < 10^{-9} GeV$ ($10^{-1} > Y > 10^{-3}$):

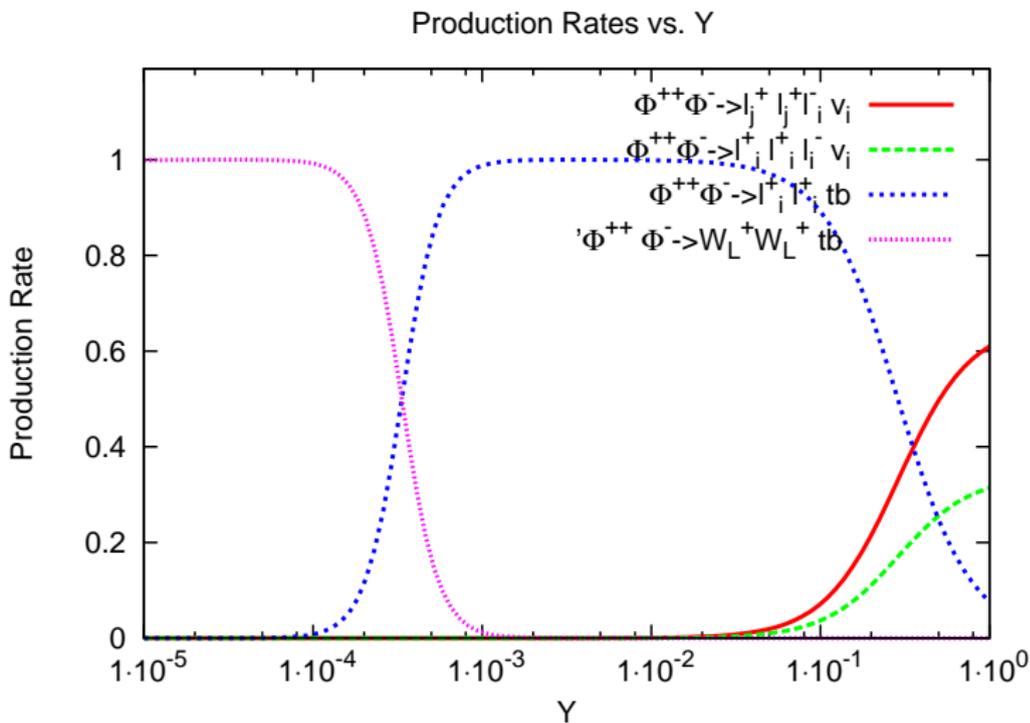
LEPTON NUMBER VIOLATION by 2

$$\phi^{++}\phi^{-} \rightarrow l_i^+ l_i^+ \bar{t} b:$$

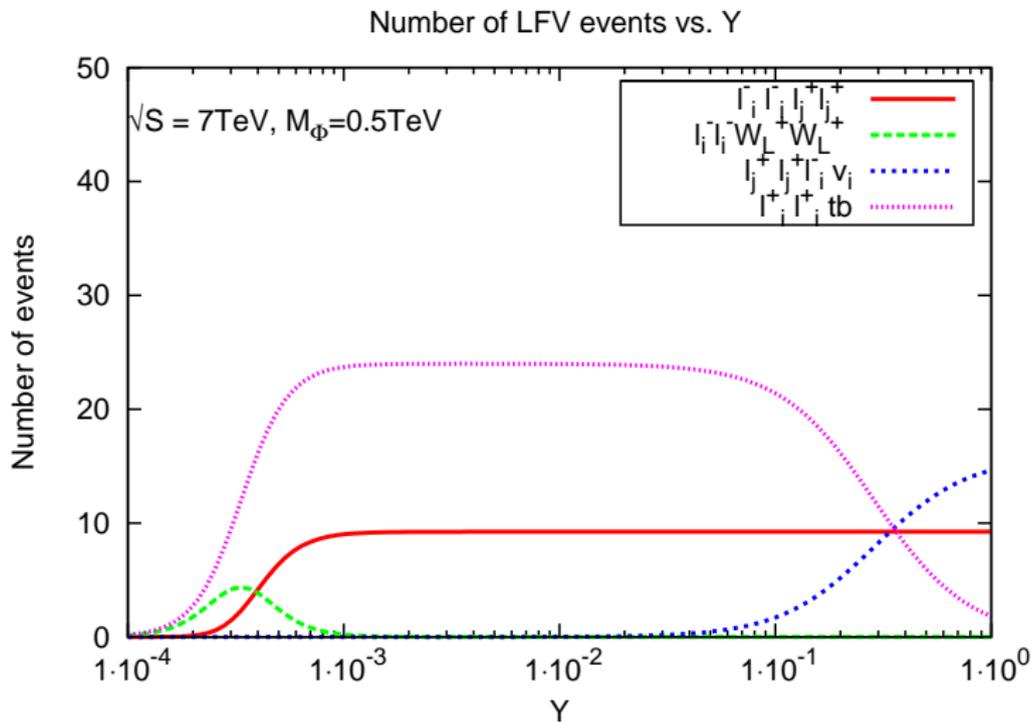
3 $10^{-6} < v' (10^{-3} > Y)$: to SM particles

$$\phi^{++}\phi^{-} \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^+ \bar{t} b$$

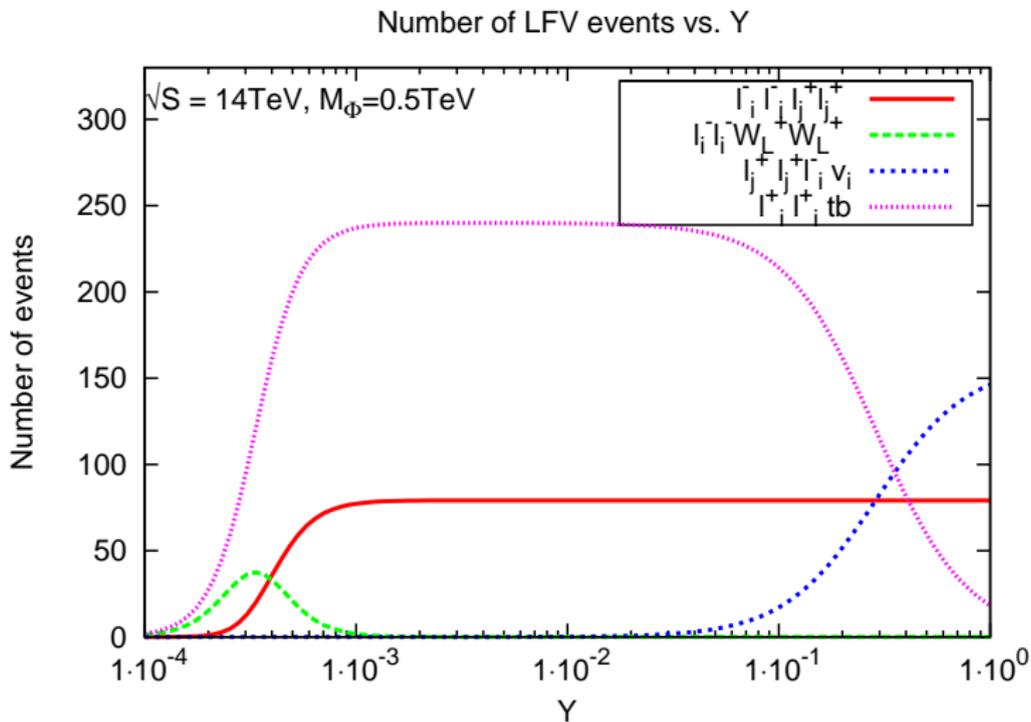
- Dependence of final decay modes of $\phi^{++}\phi^{-}$ pairs on Yukawa coupling Y .



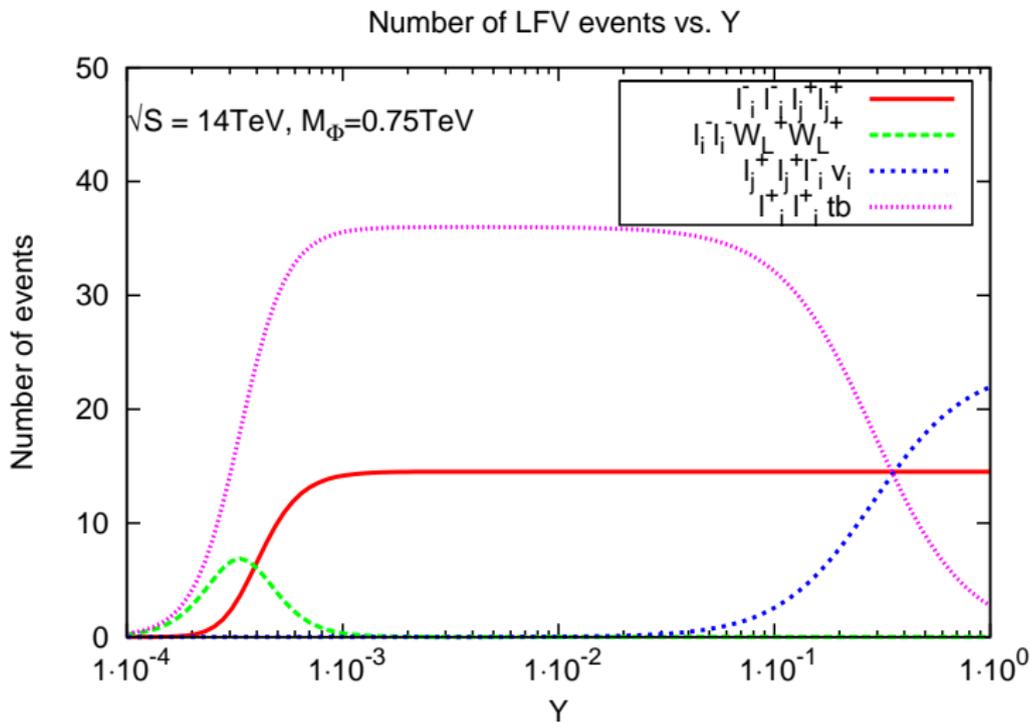
FINAL NUMBER OF LFV EVENTS



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Conclusions

- The charged scalars of littlest Higgs model can be produced via $pp \rightarrow Z_L \phi^{++} \phi^{--}$, $pp \rightarrow Z_L \phi^{++} \phi^-$ and $pp \rightarrow Z_L \phi^+ \phi^-$ processes for $\sqrt{S} \simeq 7\text{TeV}$ at LHC.
- Since the production rates are low, charged scalars can be detected if there are any distinguishing LFV signals.
- Depending of the model parameters the collider signals for lepton flavor and lepton number violation will be free from any SM backgrounds.
 - for $Y \sim 1$, LFV by four in the channel $l_i l_i l_j^+ l_j^+$, and LFV by one in the channel $l_i l_i l_j^+ \nu_j$ are accessible.
 - for $10^{-3} < Y < 0.1$ Lepton number violation by two can be observable in the channel $l_i^+ l_i^+ t b$ channel

- For $\sqrt{S} = 7TeV$, these observations can be reached if $M_\phi \simeq 0.5TeV$
- For $\sqrt{S} = 14TeV$, these observations can be reached if $M_\phi \leq 1TeV$.
- These observations could help in discriminating the Littlest Higgs model from other New Physics realizations at LHC.