Deviation of yukawa coupling and Higgs decay in gauge-Higgs Unification

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We study the deviation of yukawa coupling in the gauge-Higgs unification scenario from the Standard Model one. Applying the obtained results to the tau and bottom yukawa couplings, we numerically calculate the signal strength of $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow b\bar{b}, \tau\bar{\tau}$ in the gauge-Higgs unification.

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1. Introduction

Gauge-Higgs unification (GHU)\cite{1} is one of the attractive scenarios beyond the Standard Model (SM), which provides a possible solution to the hierarchy problem without supersymmetry\cite{2}. In this scenario, the SM Higgs boson and the gauge fields are unified into the higher dimensional gauge fields, i.e. Higgs boson is identified with extra spatial components of higher dimensional gauge fields. Due to this, the quantum correction to Higgs mass is UV-finite and calculable due to the higher dimensional gauge symmetry though the theory is the non-renormalizable\cite{3,4}. The finiteness of other physical observables have been investigated\cite{5,6,7}.

The fact that the yukawa couplings are governed by the gauge principle may deviate from the SM one\cite{8,9}. Actually, in the flat extra dimensional case, the ratio of yukawa coupling of GHU and the SM one is derived as

$$\frac{f_{GHU}}{f_{SM}} \simeq \frac{g_4}{2} v_\pi R \cot \left( \frac{g_4 v_\pi R}{2} \right). \quad (1)$$

It is because the Higgs fields $A_y(0)$ appears the Wilson line phase which is defined by

$$W = P \exp \left[ \frac{g}{2} \oint_{S^1} A_y^N \right] = \exp \left[ ig_4 R A_y(0) \right], \quad (2)$$

where $g, g_4$ are 5D and 4D gauge couplings, respectively. Namely, $W$ is periodic
with respect to $A_y$ under $A_y \to A_y + 2/(gR)$ so that the yukawa couplings $f_{GHU}$ in this scenario becomes periodic as shown in eq. (1).

Although the above result is general feature in such a scenario, but their model is not realistic. A crucial point is that the brane mass terms of the fermions are not included. They are necessary for generating the flavor mixing and removing the exotic massless fermions absent in the SM. Therefore, it is important to study the deviation of Yukawa coupling in a realistic model to incorporate the appropriate brane mass terms.

2. Deviation of yukawa couplings in gauge-Higgs unification

We consider an $SU(3) \times U(1)'$ GHU model in a five-dimensional flat space-time compactified on $S^1/Z_2$ with the radius $R$ of $S^1$. The up-type quarks except for the top quark, the down-type quarks and the charged leptons are embedded into 3 and 6 representations of $SU(3)$, respectively. In order to realize the large top Yukawa coupling, the top quark is embedded into $15$ representation of $SU(3)$.

The boundary conditions are assigned to reproduce the SM fields as the zero modes. A periodic boundary condition with respect to $S^1$ is taken for all of the bulk SM fields, and the $Z_2$ parity is assigned for the gauge fields and fermions in the representation $R$ by using the parity matrix $P = \text{diag}(-1, -1, 1)$ in the following.

$$A_\mu(-y) = P^\dagger A_\mu(y) P, \quad A_y(-y) = -P^\dagger A_y(y) P, \quad \bar{\psi}(-y) = \mathcal{R}(P) \gamma^5 \psi(y) \quad (3)$$

where the subscripts $\mu (y)$ denotes the four (the fifth) dimensional component. With this choice of parities, zero-mode vector bosons in the model are only the SM gauge fields.

This parity assignment also leaves exotic massless fermions which is not included in the SM. Such exotic fermions are made massive by introducing brane localized fermions with conjugate $SU(2) \times U(1)$ charges and an opposite chirality to the exotic fermions, allowing us to write brane-localized Dirac mass terms. These brane localized mass terms are also very important to generate the flavor mixing in the context of GHU.

In this context, the deviation of the tau and the bottom yukawa couplings in GHU from the SM one has been obtained as

$$\frac{f_{GHU}}{f_{SM}} = \frac{M^2 - m_{\tau(b)}^2}{M^2 - \pi R m_{\tau(b)}^2 \sqrt{M^2 - m_{\tau(b)}^2} \coth(\pi R \sqrt{M^2 - m_{\tau(b)}^2})} \times \pi R M_W \left[ \sin(2\pi R M_W) - \sqrt{2} \sin(2\sqrt{2} \pi R M_W) \right] \sin^2 \theta \left[ 1 - \cos(2\pi R M_W) - \sqrt{2} \cos(2\sqrt{2} \pi R M_W) \right] \sin^2 \theta. \quad (4)$$

The parameter $\theta$ is a mixing angle between two $SU(2)$ doublet zero modes existing per generation. We can easily show that they reduce to the eq. (1) or the result in the previous work for the case $\theta = 0$. 
3. Calculation of the signal strength of $gg \to H \to b\bar{b}, \tau\bar{\tau}$

In this section, we calculate the signal strength of $gg \to H \to b\bar{b}, \tau\bar{\tau}$. The Higgs production is dominated by the gluon fusion process at the LHC and calculated from the coefficient of the following dimension five operator between the Higgs and the digluon,

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = C_g H G^a_{\mu\nu} G^{a\mu\nu}$$  \hspace{1cm} (5)

where $G^a_{\mu\nu}$ $(a=1-8)$ is the gluon field strength.

In GHU, we have to take into account the KK top loop contributions, which is found to be

$$C_g^{\text{KK}} = F(m_1) \times \frac{1}{2} \times 2 + F(m_2) \times 1 \times 2 + F(m_3) \times \frac{3}{2} \times 1 + F(m_4) \times \frac{4}{2} \times 1 \hspace{1cm} (6)$$

where the first factor behind $F(m_a)$ denotes the ratio for the top yukawa coupling and the second factor is a multiplicity of the same KK mass spectrum.

$$F(m_a) \equiv -\frac{1}{16\pi^2} m_t \alpha_t \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{1}{m_{n+1}} F_{1/2} \left( \frac{2m_a}{m_{n+1}} \right)^2 \right] - (+ \to -), \hspace{1cm} (7)$$

$m_t = 2M_W$ and $(m_{(n)}^{a\pm})^2 = (n/R \pm aM_W)^2$.

We perform a numerical calculation of the deviation of the yukawa couplings and Higgs production $C_g^{\text{KK}}/C_g^{\text{SM}}$. Combining them, the signal strength $\mu$ of the process $gg \to H \to b\bar{b}, \tau\bar{\tau}$

$$\mu = \left| \frac{C_g^{\text{KK}}}{C_g^{\text{SM}}} \right|^2 \times \left| \frac{f_{\text{GHU}}}{f_{\text{SM}}} \right|^2 \hspace{1cm} (8)$$

are shown in Figure 1. Our prediction is that the signal strength is always smaller than the unity, namely the process $gg \to H \to b\bar{b}, \tau\bar{\tau}$ in GHU is always suppressed comparing to the SM prediction. This is because the suppression is dominantly due to the suppression of the Higgs production via the gluon fusion, while the deviation of yukawa coupling is known to be very small.
4. Summary

In this presentation, we study the deviation of the yukawa coupling in GHU scenario from SM one and calculate the signal strength of the bottom and tau decays of the Higgs boson produced via the gluon fusion at the LHC $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow b \bar{b}, \tau \bar{\tau}$ is suppressed. Our generic prediction is that the deviation of yukawa coupling is quite small in the realistic parameter space and the signal strength is always smaller than the unity, namely the process $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow b \bar{b}, \tau \bar{\tau}$ in GHU is always suppressed comparing to the SM prediction. This is because the suppression is dominantly due to the suppression of the Higgs production via the gluon fusion, while the deviation of yukawa coupling is known to be very small.\textsuperscript{13}

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