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We consider the diphoton resonance at the 13 TeV LHC in a consistent model with new scalars and vector-like fermions added to the Standard Model (SM), which can be constructed from orbifold grand unified theories and string models. The gauge coupling unification can be achieved, neutrino masses can be generated radiatively, and electroweak vacuum stability problem can be solved. To explain the diphoton resonance, we study a spin-0 particle, and discuss various associated final states. We also constrain the couplings and number of the introduced heavy multiplets for the new resonance's width at 5 or 40 GeV.

I. INTRODUCTION

The recent 13 TeV CMS [1] and ALTAS [2] runs have reported a narrow two-photon resonance with an invariant mass near 750 GeV, at a combined 3σ level of credence. Combined with fluctuations from previous 8 TeV data, the excess is reported around 3σ at CMS [3] and 4σ at ATLAS [3].

The narrow diphoton resonance at 750 GeV, if confirmed by future LHC updates, will strongly indicate a massive non-Standard Model (SM) spin-even state. A spin-1 state does not decay into two photons due to the Landau-Yang theorem. An interesting possibility is that the new state X being SM gauge singlet but couples to the SM particles at loop-level via heavy new-physics scalars and vector-like fermions that are charged under SM gauge groups. As an extension to the SM fermionic sector, we assume a heavy (TeV scale) generation of both quarks and leptons, denoted as Q and L respectively. Their vector-like couplings avoid anomaly. It is also interesting to understand the implications of these states for dark matter, neutrino masses, grand unification etc. Such kind of models can be realized in the orbifold Grand Unified Theories (GUT).

The next section II we discuss the extensions to the SM and the loop-induced effective couplings. In Section III we present the benchmark parameter range of the model to explain the diphoton excess. In Section IV we discuss the imminent potential tests of associated collider signals. We further discuss the possibilities of grand unification, neutrino masses, and dark matter, etc, in Section V, and then conclude in Section VI.

II. AN ECONOMICAL SM EXTENSION

To accommodate for the diphoton signal, we can classify the spins and parities of the resonance particles as 0^+ , 0^- , and 2^+ , since the vector particle can be excluded due to the Landau-Yang theorem.

First, let us consider the CP-even scalar particle X with mass around 750 GeV, similar to that of Standard Model Higgs [4–6], to generate the couplings between X and SM gauge fields, we introduce the vector-like particles F and \overline{F} . For simplicity, we only consider the vector-like particles whose quantum numbers are the same as the SM fermions.

	κ_1	κ_2	κ_3		κ_1	κ_2	κ_3
$(Q,ar{Q})$	$\frac{\lambda_Q g_Y^2}{96\pi^2 M_Q}$	$\frac{3\lambda_Q g_2^2}{32\pi^2 M_Q}$	$\frac{\lambda_Q g_3^2}{8\pi^2 M_Q}$	(L, \bar{L})	$\frac{\lambda_L g_Y^2}{32\pi^2 M_L}$	$\frac{\lambda_L g_2^2}{32\pi^2 M_L}$	0
(U, \bar{U})	$\frac{\lambda_U g_Y^2}{12\pi^2 M_U}$	0	$\frac{\lambda_U g_3^2}{16\pi^2 M_U}$	(E, \bar{E})	$\frac{\lambda_E g_Y^2}{16\pi^2 M_E}$	0	0
(D, \bar{D})	$\frac{\lambda_D g_Y^2}{48\pi^2 M_D}$	0	$\frac{\lambda_D g_3^2}{16\pi^2 M_D}$				

TABLE I: The coefficient of $\kappa_i s$ (i = 1, 2, 3) for different vector-like particles. Please note the effective couplings $\kappa_i s$ can obtained from the above coefficients by multiplying them by the loop function $A_{1/2}(\tau_F)$ (F = Q, U, D, L, E), presented in Eq. 5



FIG. 1: Heavy fermion loops that couple s to a pair of SM gauge bosons

The relevant Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}_{BSM} = \lambda_F X \bar{F} F + \frac{M_X^2}{2} |X|^2 + M_F \bar{F} F + \text{ kinetic terms.}$$
(1)

where F = Q, U, D, L, and E.

For heavy F masses, an effective XVV-type vertex can be induced by F triangle loops in Fig. 1, as

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff.} = \kappa_1 X B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \kappa_2 X W^j_{\mu\nu} W^{j\mu\nu} + \kappa_3 X G^a_{\mu\nu} G^{a\mu\nu} , \qquad (2)$$

where $B_{\mu\nu}$, $W^j_{\mu\nu}$ and $G^a_{\mu\nu}$ represents the field strength tensor of the SM gauge bosons of the $U(1)_Y$, $SU(2)_L$ and $SU(3)_c$ groups, respectively, with j = 1, 2, 3 and a = 1, 2, ... 8 are the indices of the adjoint representations of $SU(2)_L$ and $SU(3)_c$ respectively. We present the κ_i for different F and \overline{F} in Table I.

One can also consider the CP-odd scalar particle X with mass around 750 GeV. The relevant Lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}_{BSM} = \lambda_F X \bar{F} i \gamma_5 F + \frac{M_X^2}{2} |X|^2 + M_F \bar{F} F + \text{kinetic terms}, \tag{3}$$

where the κ_i for different F and \overline{F} are similar to those in Table I. The CP-odd and even cases should give identical diphoton signal rate (although the spin correlation in final state kinematics may differ) and we will restrict to the formalism for the CP-even case after this point. Also, we will use L, Q to denote vector-like new leptons and quarks collectively for collider signal discussions.

The effective couplings of Eq. 2, After rotation to the physical gauge boson states, can be written as,

$$\begin{aligned}
\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} &= \kappa_1 \cos^2 \theta_W + \kappa_2 \sin^2 \theta_W, \\
\kappa_{ZZ} &= \kappa_2 \cos^2 \theta_W + \kappa_1 \sin^2 \theta_W, \\
\kappa_{Z\gamma} &= (\kappa_2 - \kappa_1) \sin 2\theta_W, \\
\kappa_{WW} &= 2\kappa_2, \\
\kappa_{gg} &= \kappa_3.
\end{aligned}$$
(4)

where θ_W is the Weinberg mixing angle. As mentioned before the effective couplings κ_i s can be obtained from the coefficients presented in Table I by multiplying them by the loop function, $A_{1/2}(\tau_F)$ (where F = Q, U, D, L, E) with a spin-1/2 particle in the loop. The loop function $A_{1/2}(\tau)$ with $\tau = 4M^2/M_X^2$ is given by,

$$A_{1/2}(\tau) = 2\tau [1 + (1 - \tau)f(\tau)], \tag{5}$$

with

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} arcsin^2 [1/\sqrt{x}], & \text{if } x \ge 1\\ -\frac{1}{4} [ln \frac{1+\sqrt{1-x}}{1-\sqrt{1-x}} - i\pi]^2, & \text{if } x < 1. \end{cases}$$
(6)

With the minimal extension of Eq. 1, the lightest neutral component of L, Q (for instance the heavy 'neutrino' in an isodoublet L), if present, is stable and can be a dark matter candidate. In case the lightest component is charged, it can pair up with a SM fermion into a stable compound state. Alternatively, a small mixing between the heavy L, Qand the SM fermions may be introduced via Yukawa type interaction,

$$y\bar{Q}q_R^{SM}H \qquad (\text{for isodoublet }Q) \\ y\bar{Q}^{SM}QH \qquad (\text{for isosinglet}Q) \tag{7}$$



FIG. 2: Loop-level production and diphoton decay of a singlet heavy scalar s.

which then allows the heavy Q to decay into their SM fermionic counterparts plus a SM boson. Here we use Q^{SM}, q_R^{SM} to denote SM doublet and singlet quarks and H for the Higgs doublet. Q can be strongly pair-produced at the LHC and leads to long-lived ionizing heavy particle (if stable) or a two 2jet+2h/2V (if unstable) final state. A massive $M_Q > 1$ TeV can be consistent with these bounds (see [32] and references therein). Similar mixings can also be introduced for L. The heavy leptons are less efficiently produced at the LHC. As they do not necessarily have significant mixings with SM leptons, hence evade excited lepton searches [33]. Analogous slepton search bounds are 260 GeV at CMS [34] and 325 GeV at ATLAS [35], with an assumption of large missing transverse energy in the final state, i.e. a non-compressed scenario. For the study in this paper, vector-like leptons of mass ~400 GeV can be a safe choice above current constraints.

III. THE DIPHOTON SIGNAL

Two of the couplings in Eq. 4, κ_{gg} and $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$, can be responsible for LHC diphoton process as shown in Fig. 2. For decay width up to a few percent of the mass, the cross-section can be given in the narrow-width approximation as

$$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = \frac{\pi^2}{8} \frac{\Gamma(X \to gg)}{M_X} \times \text{BR}(X \to \gamma\gamma) \times \left[\frac{1}{s} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{gg}}{\partial \tau}\right],$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{gg}}{\partial \tau} = \int_0^{\infty} dx_1 dx_2 f_g(x_1) f_g(X_2) \delta(x_1 x_2 - \frac{M_X^2}{s}),$$
(8)

where $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV and f_g denotes the gluon parton distribution function inside a proton, with x being the fraction of each beam's energy carried away by the corresponding gluon.

One should note that the experimentally observed width of the resonance is appreciably large. ATLAS suggested a width as large as $\Gamma_X = 6\% M_X$. However, the data collected so far is inconclusive. Ref. [36] has performed a likelihood analysis to fit both CMS and ATLAS data and checked for their compatibility against the 8 TeV data as well. They have found that for the combined run-I and run-II data, a width of 5 GeV provides almost as good a fit as a width of 40 GeV. Hence, in this analysis we will present benchmark points (BP) with $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV as well as $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV. For $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV Ref. [36] has found the best fit $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 2.4$ fb for $M_X = 750$ GeV. However, a $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \sim 0.5 - 4.5$ fb can satisfy the resonance at 95% CL. In contrast, for $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV the best fit is obtained for $M_X = 730$ GeV with $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 6$ fb. The corresponding 95% CL range is $\sim 2 - 10$ fb. If we fix M_X at 750 GeV the best fit Γ_X and $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ are 30 GeV and 4.8 fb, respectively.

This resonant cross-section has the parameter dependence

$$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \propto \frac{\kappa_{gg}^2 \kappa_{\gamma\gamma}^2}{\Gamma_X} \propto \frac{\kappa_{gg}^2 \kappa_{\gamma\gamma}^2}{8\kappa_{gg}^2 + \kappa_{\gamma\gamma}^2},\tag{9}$$

where Γ_X is the total decay width of the resonance. As is evident from Eq. 9, κ_{gg} can be uniquely determined by the experimentally measured $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ in two cases:

- (I) only vector-like quarks (Q, U, D) are present in the model and $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} \propto \kappa_{qq}$,
- (II) when $\kappa_{qq} \ll \kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ where the total width is dominated by large L or E loop contributions.



FIG. 3: The 750 GeV scalar decay branchings versus the relative ratio between its coupling to L and Q. The left panel shows the case that L, Q are isosinglets and the right panel shows the isodoublet case.

A. Case I: vector-like quark only scenarios

In the Q-only scenario, the correlation between κ_{gg} and $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ is fixed: $\frac{\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}}{\kappa_{gg}} = 0.05$ when Q is an isodoublet, 0.09 when Q is an up-type isosinglet, and 0.02 when a down-type isosinglet. For $M_X = 750$ GeV we found that

$$\kappa_{gg} = \begin{cases}
8.7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1}, & \text{doublet} \\
5.4 \times 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1}, & \text{u-type isosinglet} \\
2.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ GeV}^{-1}, & \text{d-type isosinglet}
\end{cases}$$
(10)

gives the best-fit signal rate of $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 4.8$ fb [36]. The coupling needed for the *d*-type singlet case is larger due to its small $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ due to reduced electric charge.

In Table II we present two sets of BPs for doublet, u-type isosinglet and d-type isosinglet cases. For the first set, we fix the width to $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV and evaluate the associated couplings and cross-sections in various diboson channels. For the second set of BPs we determine the couplings by fixing $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 4.8$ fb and perform the same calculations. We have set $M_Q = 1$ TeV for both set of calculations. One can notice from Table II that we need $N_Q\lambda_Q \sim 3 - 17$ to fit either $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV or $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 4.8$ fb due to small $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ in the Q-only scenarios. Hence, multiple numbers of Q fields are then predicted to keep the coupling λ_Q perturbative. We also show the BR for decay of X in various diboson channels in Fig. 3. Another alarming prediction from Q-only scenario is the very small $BR(X \to \gamma\gamma) < 10^{-3}$ (esp. for down-type Q due to its small electric charge), as shown in Fig. 3. Since $\sigma_{gg} = \sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \frac{BR(X \to gg)}{BR(X \to \gamma\gamma)}$, and $BR(X \to gg) \sim 1$, a very tiny $BR(X \to \gamma\gamma) < 10^{-2}$ may boost σ_{gg} above the current dijet bound at 2 pb at 8 TeV [37]. We discuss each BP, along with possible constraint from the aforementioned CMS dijet bound with more detail in the following paragraph.

It is evident from Table II that all BPs that fits $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV are ruled out by CMS dijet constraint. In addition for BP-1 and BP-2 the corresponding $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ are too high considering the range described by Ref. [36]. However, BP-3 provides an acceptable value of $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$. We did not show any BP Table II corresponding to $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV since the dijet bounds are even worse for them. For $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 4.8$ fb cases, BP-4 and BP-5 are ruled out by the dijet bound but BP-5 survives. However, for BP-5 the total decay width of X is too small (0.79 GeV), but within the 2σ range described by Ref. [36]. One might notice that for the same $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$, we need higher κ_{gg} for the doublet compared to the u-type singlet resulting in higher σ_{gg} for the doublet. This is due to the presence of moderately large Γ_{WW} in the doublet case, which reduces the BR($X \to \gamma\gamma$) and requite large κ_{gg} to achieve the desired $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ value.

This indicates that extra L species may be required to increase $BR(X \to \gamma\gamma)$ to simultaneously satisfy $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \sim \mathcal{O}(1-15)$ fb and $\Gamma_X \sim \mathcal{O}(5-40)$ GeV. Given the early stage of the diphoton resonance measurement, Q-only scenarios can be allowed for a smaller Γ_X , or very large Q-hypercharges in other models.



FIG. 4: Diphoton cross-section $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ contours for different values of total decay width and the relative strength of couplings of X to photons and gluons. The left panel shows the case that L, Q are isosinglets and the right panel shows the isodoublet case. The pink dashed lines corresponds to the $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV (lower) and 40 GeV (upper).

B. Case II: $L \gg Q$ scenarios

When a large L contribution dominates $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ and $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} \gg \kappa_{gg}$, $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ also disappears from $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$, and we found

$$\kappa_{gg} = \begin{cases} 5.8 \times 10^{-6} \text{ GeV}^{-1}, & \text{doublet} \\ 2.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ GeV}^{-1}, & \text{isosinglet} \end{cases}$$
(11)

for $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 4.8$ fb. The Γ_X can be greatly enhanced in this scenario by tuning $N_L \lambda_L$ without impacting $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$. In Fig. 4 we show the $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ contours for different values of γ_X and the relative strength of couplings of X to photons and gluons. Evidently from Fig. 4, to simultaneously satisfy $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \sim \mathcal{O}(1-15)$ fb and $\Gamma_X \sim \mathcal{O}(5-40)$ GeV we need large $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ compared to κ_{gg} for both singlet and doublet cases.

We have noticed in the Q-only case that a loop-induced decay width is often small. With only Qs in the loop, both $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ and Γ_X are determined by κ_{gg} and a very narrow width $\Gamma_X < 1$ GeV is expected to evade the CMS dijet bounds. Additional L species would then be handy prediction if it is necessary to bring up $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$ and Γ_X as illustrated in Fig. 4, and also suppresses σ_{gg} at the same time. For a $\Gamma_X \sim 10^{-2} M_X$, we generally need $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} \sim 10^2 \kappa_{gg}$. Since $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} \propto N_L \lambda_L$, another prediction comes in that a significant number of L species must be present $(N_L \gg 1)$.

Туре	doublet	u-type singlet	d-type singlet	doublet	u-type singlet	d-type singlet
Q-only	BP-1	BP-2	BP-3	BP-4	BP-5	BP-6
M_X [GeV]		750			750	
$\Gamma_X [\text{GeV}]$		5		2.09	0.79	12.7
$N_Q \lambda_Q$	5.18	10.4	10.4	3.35	4.16	16.6
$\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	7.41×10^{-6}	1.19×10^{-5}	2.99×10^{-6}		4.76×10^{-6}	
$\kappa_{gg} [\mathrm{GeV}^{-1}]$		1.36×10^{-4}		8.75×10^{-5}	5.44×10^{-5}	2.17×10^{-4}
$\kappa_{WW} [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	5.77×10^{-5}	0	0	3.73×10^{-5}	0	0
$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ [fb]	11.9	31.4	1.97		4.8	
σ_{ZZ} [fb]	99.6	2.59	0.16	41.6	0.41	0.41
$\sigma_{Z\gamma}$ [fb]	57.4	18.1	1.13	24	2.87	2.87
σ_{WW} [fb]	337	0	0	141.1	0	0
σ_{gg} [fb]	3.18×10^4	$3.27{\times}10^4$	3.28×10^{4}	1.33×10^4	5.21×10^{3}	8.34×10^{4}
σ_{gg} (8 TeV) [fb]	6.79×10^{3}	6.79×10^{3}	7.00×10^{3}	2.84×10^{3}	1.11×10^{3}	1.79×10^{4}

TABLE II: BPs for Q-only cases with no invisible decay width. Cross-sections are calculated in various diboson channels either by keeping $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV fixed (BP-1, 2, 3) or $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 4.8$ fb fixed (BP-4, 5, 6). We set $M_Q = 1$ TeV for all BPs. Since $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV BPs are already constrained by dijet bounds, we do not show $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV BPs in the table since dijet bounds will be even worse for them.

Type	doublet	u-type singlet	doublet	u-type singlet	
$L \gg Q$	BP-7	BP-8	BP-9	BP-10	
M_X [GeV]		750	730		
$\Gamma_X [\text{GeV}]$		5	40		
$N_Q \lambda_Q$	0.17	0.12	0.25	0.18	
$N_L \lambda_L$	37	106	113	322	
$\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	1.05×10^{-4}	2.99×10^{-4}	3.10×10^{-4}	8.84×10^{-4}	
$\kappa_{gg} \; [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	4.31×10^{-6}	1.50×10^{-6}	6.52×10^{-6}	2.28×10^{-6}	
$\kappa_{WW} [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	4.57×10^{-4}	0	1.34×10^{-3}	0	
$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ [fb]	2.40		6.00		
σ_{ZZ} [fb]	7.28	0.20	18.1	0.49	
$\sigma_{Z\gamma}$ [fb]	1.89	1.38	4.70	3.45	
σ_{WW} [fb]	21.2	0	52.6	0	
σ_{gg} [fb]	0.03	5×10^{-4}	0.02	3×10^{-4}	
σ_{gg} (8 TeV) [fb]	7×10^{-4}	1×10^{-4}	5×10^{-3}	7×10^{-5}	

TABLE III: BPs for $L \gg Q$ cases with no invisible decay width. Cross-sections are calculated in various diboson channels either for $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV (BP-7, 8) $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV (BP-9, 10). We set $M_Q = 1$ TeV and $M_L = 400$ GeV for all BPs.

In Table III we again present two sets of BPs for doublet, u-type isosinglet cases ¹. However, as opposed to Table II, in this case our BPs belongs to $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV (BP-7, 8) and $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV (BP-9, 10) respectively. Due to extra freedom available to us in $L \gg Q$ scenarios, we can easily fit $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV width with σ_{gg} being very small. Hence, we do not show any BPs, which satisfies $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 4.8$ fb, separately since they will be very similar to $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV cases. Also note that from our discussion earlier in the section that for $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV the best-fit is obtained for $M_X = 730$ GeV by Ref. [36]. So we fix $M_X = 730$ GeV for $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV BPs, while still using $M_X = 750$ GeV for $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV BPs for the rest of the paper with best-fit $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ values 2.4 fb and 6 fb respectively (unless otherwise stated). Along with fixing $M_Q = 1$ TeV, we use $M_L = 400$ GeV for these calculations.

Clearly from Table III we can conclude that we require unreasonably high value of $N_L \lambda_L$ for all BPs. Hence we need $\mathcal{O}(100)$ copies of vector-like leptons (except for BP-7), assuming perturbativity of λ_L . Nonetheless these BPs don't suffer from dijet bounds. When L, Q loop contributions are comparable in $\kappa_{\gamma\gamma}$, i.e. $N_Q \lambda_Q \sim N_L \lambda_L$, we will again suffer from narrow-width and large dijet cross-section problems. We do not discuss this mixed case here for simplicity. However, even in that case we will need many copies of both Q and L, comparable to numbers shown in Table II. These many particles potentially requires strongly coupled models as discussed in Ref. [38]. Further, with such a large width, the diphoton final state can also be produced via photon fusion which can be established at the ongoing LHC with 20 fb⁻¹ of luminosity [39–41].

C. Possible invisible decay of X

To solve the L, Q multiplicity issue, it is possible to couple X to complete SM singlets N, via for instance XNN, and such N can have a mass below $M_X/2$ and X can decay into \overline{N}, N at tree level. This invisible width can solve the very-narrow width issue of the new resonance. In this light, an economical setup can be 4 isodoublet Q and L species to give the correct $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ with a narrow width, and the invisible X decays to accommodate for the measured X width.

If the large decay width mostly arises from the invisible decays of X then we have constraints from monojet as discussed in Ref. [36]. However if this final state also contains soft lepton ($P_T \sim 10-20$ GeV), it will not be constrained by the monojet bound [42]. This decay mode can appear if X decays to a pair of fermions (N_2) and each N_2 decays into N_1 and a pair of leptons, where N_1 is the lightest stable particle. This scenario can be realized with N_2 mass around 300 GeV and N_1 mass around 250 GeV. The dilepton plus missing energy does not constraint this mode with such a mass gap since the resonance channel produces N_2 back-to-back and we are left with mostly soft leptons in the final state.

We present few more BPs in Table IV and V, taking into account large invisible width, for both Q-only and $L \gg Q$ scenarios with $\Gamma_X = 5$ and 40 GeV. Now with the addition of extra parameter Γ_{inv} we can find BP with $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV for Q-only cases also. Therefore, similar to Table III, we don't show BPs with $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma} = 4.8$ fb cases.

¹ d-type isosinglet cases will be similar to u-type with only $N_L \lambda_L$ may vary.

We see from Table IV that with the introduction of large invisible width we reduce $N_Q\lambda_Q$ by a factor of ~ 2 for $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV. In contrast, for $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV we still need $N_Q\lambda_Q \sim \mathcal{O}(10)$. Most BPs in Table IV evade the dijet bound of 2 pb at 8 TeV. We note that for BP-13 and BP-15 we tune the parameters to evade the aforementioned bound, which in turn reduces the $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$. Nevertheless, the values presented in Table IV are within 95% CL range prescribed by Ref. [36]. However, for BP-16 (d-type quark singlet with $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV) even for the lowest allowed $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ value allowed, we could not avoid the dijet bound.

Туре	doublet	u-type singlet	d-type singlet	doublet	u-type singlet	d-type singlet
Q-only with invisible decays	BP-11	BP-12	BP-13	BP-14	BP-15	BP-16
M_X [GeV]		750			730	
$\Gamma_X [\text{GeV}]$		5			40	
$N_Q \lambda_Q$	3.47	5.49	7.5	6.27	11.6	17.7
$\Gamma_{\rm inv} [{\rm GeV}]$	2.76	3.62	2.42	33.3	34.3	26.8
$\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	4.96×10^{-6}	6.82×10^{-6}	2.15×10^{-6}	8.95×10^{-6}	1.33×10^{-5}	5.06×10^{-6}
$\kappa_{gg} [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	9.07×10^{-5}	7.17×10^{-5}	9.80×10^{-5}	1.63×10^{-4}	1.52×10^{-4}	2.31×10^{-4}
$\kappa_{WW} \; [{\rm GeV}^{-1}]$	3.87×10^{-5}	0	0	6.97×10^{-5}	0	0
$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ [fb]	2.40	2.41	0.52	3.17	6.00	2.02
σ_{ZZ} [fb]	20.0	0.20	0.04	26.4	0.49	0.17
$\sigma_{Z\gamma}$ [fb]	11.6	1.38	0.30	15.2	3.44	1.16
σ_{WW} [fb]	67.9	0	0	89.4	0	0
σ_{gg} [fb]	6.41×10^3	3.51×10^{3}	8.75×10^{3}	8.47×10^{3}	6.25×10^{3}	3.37×10^{4}
$\sigma_{\rm inv}$ [fb]	8.01×10^{3}	6.57×10^{3}	8.21×10^{3}	4.26×10^4	3.77×10^{4}	6.83×10^{4}
$\sigma_{gg} (8 \text{ TeV}) \text{ [fb]}$	1.37×10^{3}	535	1.86×10^{3}	1.84×10^{3}	1.36×10^{3}	7.31×10^{3}

TABLE IV: BPs for Q-only cases with large invisible decay width. Cross-sections are calculated in various diboson channels by keeping Γ_X fixed at 5 GeV (BP-11, 12, 13) and 40 GeV (BP-14, 15, 16). We set $M_Q = 1$ TeV for all BPs.

Туре	doublet	u-type singlet	doublet	u-type singlet	
$L \gg Q$ with invisible decays	BP-17	BP-18	BP-19	BP-20	
M_X [GeV]		750	730		
$\Gamma_X [\text{GeV}]$	5		40		
$N_Q\lambda_Q$	2.02	2.92	4.30	6.30	
$N_L \lambda_L$	2.00	3.00	4.31	6.30	
$\Gamma_{\rm inv} [{\rm GeV}]$	4.2	4.6	36.7	38.3	
$\kappa_{\gamma\gamma} \; [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	8.53×10^{-6}	1.18×10^{-5}	1.80×10^{-5}	2.45×10^{-5}	
$\kappa_{gg} [\text{GeV}^{-1}]$	5.28×10^{-5}	3.82×10^{-5}	1.12×10^{-4}	8.22×10^{-5}	
$\kappa_{WW} \; [{ m GeV}^{-1}]$	4.69×10^{-5}	0	9.90×10^{-5}	0	
$\sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$ [fb]		2.40	6.00		
σ_{ZZ} [fb]	10.8	0.20	27.1	0.49	
$\sigma_{Z\gamma}$ [fb]	4.22	1.38	10.6	3.44	
σ_{WW} [fb]	33.9	0	84.7	0	
σ_{gg} [fb]	736	201	1.87×10^{3}	540	
$\sigma_{\rm inv}$ [fb]	4.13×10^{3}	2.37×10^{3}	2.21×10^4	1.24×10^{4}	
$\sigma_{gg} (8 \text{ TeV}) \text{ [fb]}$	157	43	407	117	

TABLE V: BPs for $L \gg Q$ cases with large invisible decay width. Cross-sections are calculated in various diboson channels either for $\Gamma_X = 5$ GeV (BP-17, 18) $\Gamma_X = 40$ GeV (BP-19, 20). We set $M_Q = 1$ TeV and $M_L = 400$ GeV for all BPs.

In Table V we tabulate BPs with the most economical choice of both $N_Q\lambda_Q$ and $N_L\lambda_L$. The inclusion of large invisible width reduces the multiplicity of L to a very reasonable level (~ 2 - 6). These BPs again evade the dijet bound. Finally, in Figs. 5 and 6, we show the combinations of $N_Q\lambda_Q$ and $N_L\lambda_L$ for the total decay width =5 and 40 GeV with and without $X \to N\bar{N}$ which we call Γ_{inv} . We see again that the presence of the invisible width allows us to fit the width with smaller values of $N_Q\lambda_Q$ and $N_L\lambda_L$ both for doublet and singlet fields.

IV. ASSOCIATED COLLIDER TESTS

If the 750 GeV diphoton excess persists, a few associated signal would be expected from the mixing between the SM gauge fields:



FIG. 5: Doublet $N_L \lambda_L$, $N_Q \lambda_Q$ ranges for different values of the resonance width. The left panel assume no invisible decays and the right panel assume a dominant invisible width of X.



FIG. 6: Singlet $N_L \lambda_L$, $N_Q \lambda_Q$ ranges for different values of the resonance width. The left panel assume no invisible decays and the right panel assume a dominant invisible width of X.

- (ii) An $X \to W^+W^-$ final state if L and/or Q is an isospin doublet.

The expected signal cross-section is readily given by $\sigma_{VV} = \sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \frac{BR(X \to VV)}{BR(X \to \gamma\gamma)}$, multiplied by further decay branchings of the SM vector bosons. Here we list the leading predicted signals in Table VI for all BPs considered in the previous section that survive the CMS dijet bound. The presence of such associated decays should serve as good test of the SM gauge mixing, if the 750 GeV resonance is established in the future data. Alternatively, these $ZZ, Z\gamma$ channels can help confirm/rule out new physics scenarios, e.g. our weakly charged vector-like heavy fermion hypothesis.

The 4l and the mono-photon $+\not\!\!\!E_T$ channels are probably the most imminent tests of the associate $X \to ZZ, Z\gamma$ decays. In current data, CMS [11] constrains a ZZ resonance at 750 GeV to be less than 0.12 pb, The associated mono-photon signal in the Q-only doublet cases are close to be constrained but within the existing CMS [12] limits.

Channel	$ZZ \rightarrow 4l$	$ZZ \rightarrow 2l + E_T$	$Z\gamma \rightarrow \gamma + 2l$	$Z\gamma \to \gamma + E_T$	$WW \to e\mu + E_T$
BR	0.45%	2.7%	6.7%	20%	2.3%
note	two pairs of $M_{ll} = M_Z$	$M_{ll} = M_Z$	mono-photon, $M_{ll} = M_Z$	mono-photon with large $\not\!\!\!E_T$	different l flavor
BP-5	0.002	0.01	0.19	0.57	0
BP-7	0.03	0.20	0.13	0.38	0.49
BP-8	0.0009	0.005	0.09	0.28	0
BP-9	0.08	0.49	0.31	0.94	1.21
BP-10	0.002	0.01	0.23	0.69	0
BP-11	0.09	0.54	0.78	2.32	1.56
BP-12	0.0009	0.005	0.09	0.28	0
BP-13	0.0002	0.001	0.02	0.06	0
BP-14	0.12	0.71	1.02	3.04	2.06
BP-15	0.002	0.01	0.23	0.69	0
BP-17	0.05	0.29	0.28	0.84	0.78
BP-18	0.0009	0.005	0.09	0.28	0
BP-19	0.12	0.73	0.71	2.12	1.95
BP-20	0.002	0.01	0.23	0.69	0



FIG. 7: Gauge coupling unification at two loop involving fermions: $Q(3, 2, 1/6) + \overline{Q}(\overline{3}, 2, -1/6)$, Scalars: $D_s^c(3, 1, -1/3) + U_s^c(3, 1, 2/3)$. Unification happens at 7×10^{15} GeV with $\alpha^{-1} = 36$.

Future updates from 13 TeV runs would strongly constrain or confirm these associated signals.

V. THEORETICAL DISCUSSIONS

There are many motivation to look beyond the SM physics. Namely neutrino masses and mixings, dark matter, gauge coupling unification and the SM Higgs mass vacuum stability. Recently, the CMS and ATLAS Collaborations announced excess in the distribution of events containing two photons peaked at 750 GeV or so can interpret as new motivation of physics beyond the SM. Our goal in this paper is to connect all above mentioned motivation of new physics to each other.

It was shown some time ago that demanding gauge coupling unification to be consistence proton decay constraint can lied simplest and most minimal extension of the SM as follows

$$Q_f\left(3,2,\frac{1}{6}\right) + \overline{Q}_f\left(\overline{3},2,-\frac{1}{6}\right) + D_s^c\left(3,1,-\frac{1}{3}\right) + U_s^c\left(3,1,\frac{2}{3}\right) + L_s^c\left(1,2,\frac{1}{2}\right),\tag{12}$$

where subscripts s and f are for scalars and fermions of new particles. We would like to emphasize that this model can be realized in the orbifold Grand Unified Theories (GUT). The result performing two loop RGE evaluation is presented in Fig. 7.

As shown in ref. [13] the neutrino masses and mixings can be generated radiatively using the Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} \supset M_Q Q \overline{Q} + M_{D^c}^2 |D_s^c|^2 + M_{U^c}^2 |U_s^2|^2 + \lambda_1 Q L D_s^c + \Lambda_2 \overline{Q} L U_s^{c*} + \lambda D_s^c U_s^{c*} H^2$$
(13)



FIG. 8: One loop diagram for generating neutrino masses.

The loop involves colored particle presented in Eq. (12) (shown in Fig. 8) and the expression for neutrino mass:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\nu} \simeq \frac{\lambda_1 \lambda_2}{16\pi^2} \frac{\lambda \langle H \rangle^2}{M_{D^c}^2 - M_{U^c}^2} \left(\frac{M_{D^c}^2 M_Q}{M_Q^2 - M_{D^c}^2} \log \frac{M_Q^2}{M_{D^c}^2} - \frac{M_{U^c}^2 M_Q}{M_Q^2 - M_{U^c}^2} \log \frac{M_Q^2}{M_{U^c}^2} \right)$$
(14)

On the other hand, having in the spectrum stable scalar doublet can be interpreted as inert doublet model for dark matter [14]. The charge neutral component of the doublet can be lighter than the charged component due to radiative corrections [15]. Also it is very interesting to note that having this (See Eq. (12)) new particle in the spectrum can solve the Higgs vacuum stability problem [16]. It is very interesting to note that all this new physics motivation can lead to the prediction to the diphoton excess which we hope will be confirmed in near future.

We would like to point out that the generic vector-like particles do not need to form complete SU(5) or SO(10) representations in Grand Unified Theories (GUTs) from the orbifold constructions [17–19], intersecting D-brane model building on Type II orientifolds [20–22],

M-theory on S^1/Z_2 with Calabi-Yau compactifications [23, 24], and F-theory with U(1) fluxes [25–28] (See Ref. [29] and references therein.)

The generic vector-like particles from orbifold GUTs and F-theory GUTs have been studied previously in Refs. [29–31]. From Ref. [29], we found that in the orbifold GUTs, we cannot realize such set of vector-like particles and scalars since the scalar U_s^c cannot be obtained. Interestingly, in the F-theory SU(5) models, we can indeed realize such set of vector-like particles and scalars. For details, please see Table IV in Ref. [29]. Moreover, without additional vector-like particles or scalars, the GUT scale is still around 7×10^{15} GeV, and the GUT gauge coupling α is about 1/36. Thus, the proton lifetime via dimension-6 operators will be within the reach of the future Super-Kamiokande and Hyper-Kamiokande experiments.

VI. CONCLUSION

We proposed a new model from orbifold GUTs/string models to explain the recent diphoton resonance at the LHC by introducing new scalars and vector-like fermions. We showed that it is possible to explain the diphoton resonance, and such diphoton resonance explanation does not conflict with any other bound. Interestingly, the upcoming results can constrain some of these explanations. We investigated the number of copies of new particles a to explain the excess. We noticed that the new fermions and scalars are also helpful to provide us grand unification of gauge couplings. Further, the new fields also generate neutrino masses and the non-colored doublet provide the dark matter candidate. In addition the vector like fields also provides us a stability of the electroweak vacuum since the SM gauge couplings become strong at high scale via RGE running. We showed the constraints on the new couplings and numbers of new multiplets.

Note added: While we are completing the draft, we noticed a few papers [38, 43–54] appeared in the arXiv on the same topic.

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