

Particle physics phenomenology with orthogonal symmetries

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Outline

- Brief introduction to symmetries in high energy physics
- The custodial symmetry of the Standard Model:
any new physics at the electroweak scale?
- The Higgs as a composite Nambu-Goldstone boson:
new composite particles at multi-TeV scale?
- Grand Unification Theories:
 - predictive leptogenesis at high scale
 - composite unification at low scale

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10^{+1}

10^{+13}

Energy (TeV)



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Standard Model structure

Standard Model (SM): **the (relativistic quantum field) theory of Nature**, valid for energies up to $\sim 1 \text{ TeV} = 10^{12} \text{ eV}$, as of early 2019...

Space-time (Minkowski) symmetry group: $ISO(1,3)$

Local internal (gauge) symmetry group: $U(1)_Y \times SU(2)_W \times SU(3)_C$

Kinetic terms (particles propagation):
Spin-1 Spin-1/2 Spin-0

Scalar potential

Fermion-scalar (Yukawa) interactions

$$\mathcal{L}_{SM} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + i\psi_a^\dagger \bar{\sigma}_\mu^\mu \psi_a + D^\mu H^\dagger D_\mu H - V(H) - \frac{1}{2} (y_{ab} \psi_a \psi_b H + h.c.)$$

$SU(3)^5$:
five fermion species,
each coming in
three replicas (families)

Linear σ - model with $SO(4)$
symmetry (4 real scalar fields)
spontaneously broken to $SO(3)$

Radial mode h observed
at Large Hadron Collider (LHC):
the Bruxelles-Edinburgh boson !

Yukawa couplings
preserve only
baryon & lepton
numbers
 $U(1)_B \times U(1)_L^3$

Yukawa's also
observed at LHC !

(Approximate) global internal symmetries

SO(N) symmetries

Orthogonal Lie groups $SO(N)$ generated by orthogonal Lie algebras $so(N)$: $R(\theta_{ij}) = \exp(i\theta_{ij}T_{ij})$

All irreducible representations derive from the Fundamental and Spinor representations:

$$\dim F_{so(N)} = N \quad \dim S_{so(2n+1)} = \dim S_{so(2n+2)} = 2^n$$

Electroweak
custodial
symmetry

rank	$N = 2n$	$N = 2n + 1$
$n = 1$	$so(2) \simeq u(1)$	$so(3) \simeq su(2) \simeq sp(2)$
$n = 2$	$so(4) \simeq su(2) \times su(2)$	$so(5) \simeq sp(4)$
$n = 3$	$so(6) \simeq su(4)$	$so(7)$
$n = 4$	$so(8)$	$so(9)$
$n = 5$	$so(10)$	$so(11)$
...

Composite
Higgs
symmetry

Grand Unification symmetry

The only essentially non-orthogonal SM symmetry is

$$su(3) \subset so(6)$$

The custodial symmetry

The spin-zero sector of the Standard Model:

$$H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} h_1 + ih_2 \\ h_3 + ih_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_H &= (\partial_\mu H)^\dagger (\partial^\mu H) - \lambda \left(H^\dagger H - \frac{v^2}{2} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^4 (\partial_\mu h_i) (\partial^\mu h_i) - \frac{\lambda}{4} \left(\sum_{i=1}^4 h_i^2 - v^2 \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

SO(4) symmetry spontaneously broken to SO(3) at potential minimum.

One physical Higgs boson h is SO(3) singlet.

Three Nambu-Goldstone bosons $\pi_{1,2,3}$ form SO(3) triplet.

$$\frac{SO(4)}{SO(3)} \text{ coset}$$

Gauge interactions: $\pi_{1,2,3}$ eaten by spin-one bosons $W_{1,2,3}$, moreover custodial symmetry is broken by g'

$$\partial^\mu H \rightarrow D^\mu H \equiv \left(\partial^\mu - igW_a^\mu \tau_a - ig'B^\mu \frac{1}{2} \right) H$$

$$\frac{m_Z^2}{m_W^2} = 1 + \frac{g'^2}{g^2}$$

Yukawa interactions: custodial symmetry is broken by difference between top and bottom quarks

$$\mathcal{L}_{yuk} = -y_t \bar{q}_L i\sigma^2 H^* t_R - y_b \bar{q}_L H b_R + h.c.$$

$$\frac{\Pi_{WW}(0)}{m_W^2} - \frac{\Pi_{ZZ}(0)}{m_Z^2} = \frac{3}{32\pi^2} (y_t - y_b)^2$$

Additional violation of custodial by new physics is experimentally constrained with per-mil precision.

Example: new vector-like fermions can have large mixing with top and bottom quarks, only if they fill complete $SO(4) = SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ multiplets!

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Are new chiral fermions ruled out?

All SM fermions are chiral: they receive mass only from Higgs vacuum expectation value (vev).
Did LHC prove that no other chiral fermions exist in Nature?

- Requirements:**
- all gauge anomalies must cancel
 - all multiplet components must acquire a mass above collider bounds
 - corrections to h - g - g and h - γ - γ couplings must be small
 - corrections to electroweak precision parameters must be small

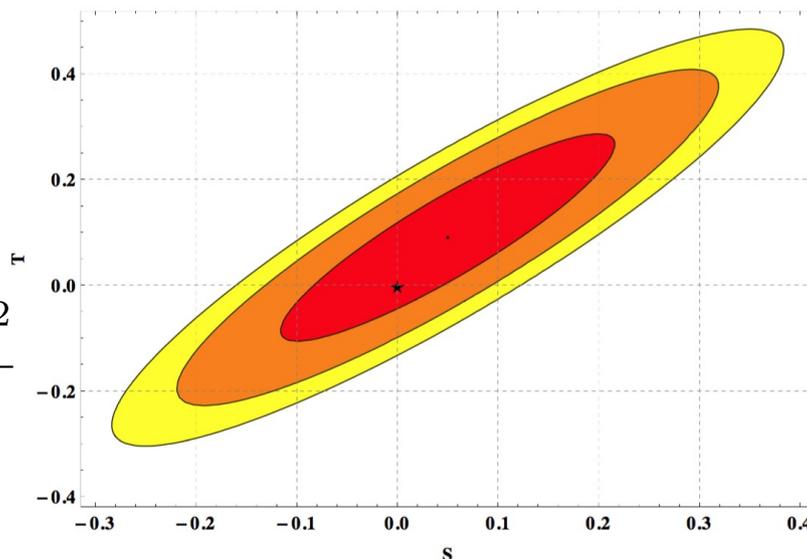
All possible sets of chiral multiplets excluded, except one:

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$$[\mathbf{SU}(2)_{\mathbf{w}}]_{U(1)_Y} : D_L \sim \mathbf{2}_Y, S_{R\pm} \sim \mathbf{1}_{Y\pm 1/2}; D'_L \sim \mathbf{2}_{-Y}, S'_{R\pm} \sim \mathbf{1}_{-Y\pm 1/2}$$

Custodial
symmetry
breaking:

$$T \simeq \frac{(y_+ - y_-)^2}{32\pi^2\alpha}$$



Isospin symmetry breaking:
$$S \simeq \frac{1 - 4Y \log(y^+/y_-)}{6\pi}$$

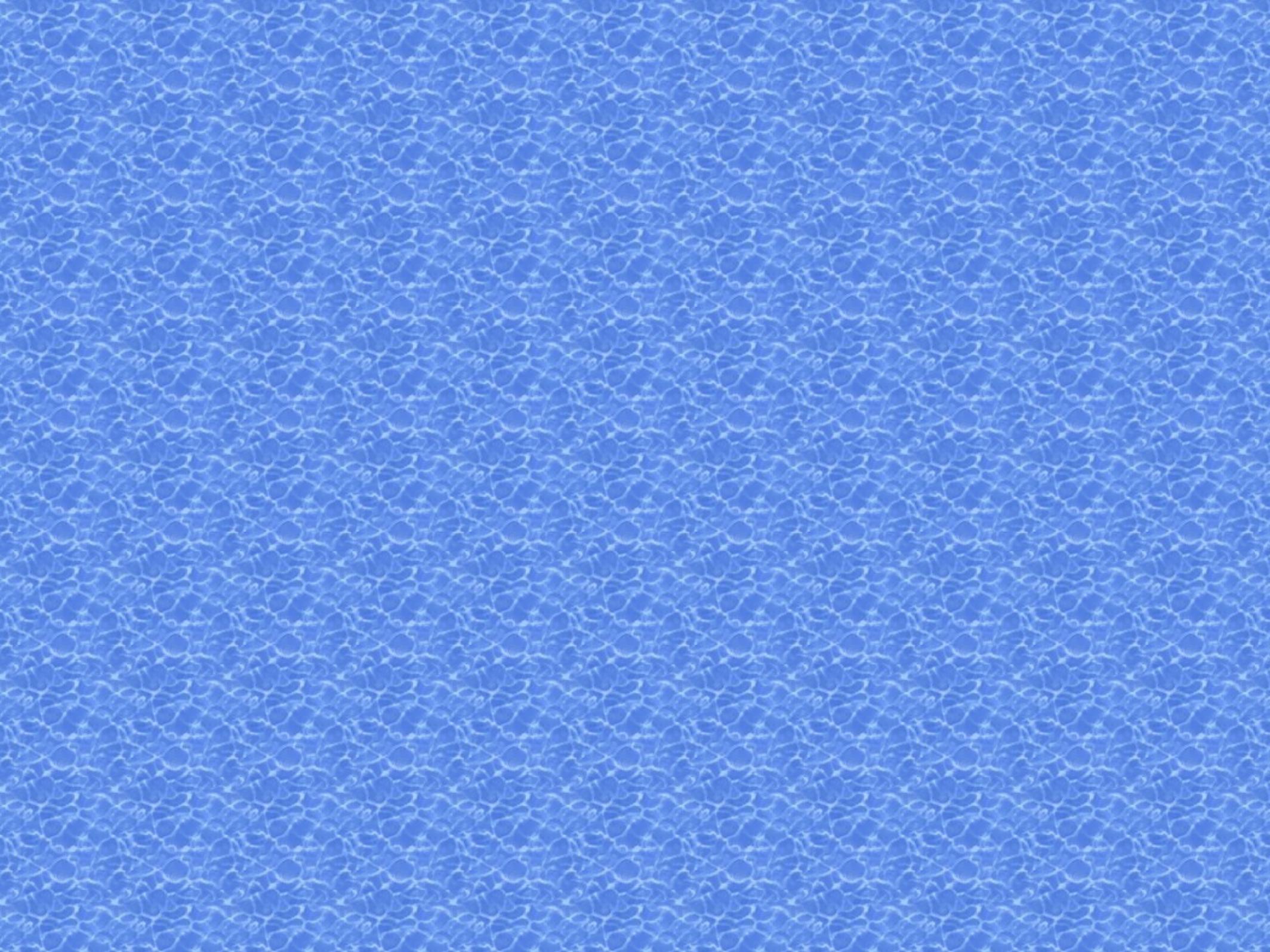
Higgs to 2 photons (8 TeV data):

$$\mu_{\gamma\gamma} \simeq \frac{|\mathcal{A}_{SM}^{\gamma\gamma} + \mathcal{A}_{new}^{\gamma\gamma}|^2}{|\mathcal{A}_{SM}^{\gamma\gamma}|^2} = 1.2 \pm 0.2$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{new}^{\gamma\gamma} = \frac{4(1 + 4Y^2)}{3} \Rightarrow |Y| \lesssim 0.15$$

But 13 TeV data (summer '18)
give $\mu_{\gamma\gamma} = 1.0 \pm 0.1$

Game Over !



Higgs as Nambu-Goldstone boson

Naturalness problem: a scalar mass m_h is sensitive to any heavy physical scale Λ coupled to h , because of quantum corrections:

$$\delta m_h^2 \sim \Lambda^2$$

To agree with data & minimise the tuning of the theory parameters, we need

- (I) a mechanism to push Λ a factor 10-100 above $m_h = 0.125$ TeV
- (II) a mechanism to keep Λ stable against quantum corrections

- (I) Some symmetry group G spontaneously broken to a subgroup K at scale Λ , with the Higgs arising as a Nambu-Goldstone (NG) boson:

$$G/K = SO(N+1)/SO(N) \supseteq SO(4) \Rightarrow \pi_i = (h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4, \eta_1, \dots, \eta_{N-4})$$

Higgs mass only from (top Yukawa) loop corrections:

$$m_h \sim v \sim f = \frac{\Lambda}{4\pi}$$

Below Λ , the NG bosons constitute a non-linear σ -model, which preserves custodial symmetry.

Still, non-linearities amount to v^2/f^2 corrections to SM predictions: data imply $f \geq 1$ TeV

The NG bosons h and η have specific derivative interactions.

η can play the role of dark matter candidate.

Higgs compositeness

(II) Quantum stability of m_h requires a radical assumption on the new dynamics at Λ :

* **compositeness (no elementary spin-zero boson),**

* supersymmetry (boson \leftrightarrow fermion)

* ...

Explicit model for compositeness:

a **new gauge theory** defined at the ultraviolet cutoff scale Λ_{UV} that

- becomes **strongly-coupled in the infrared**
- develops a **mass gap** $\Lambda \ll \Lambda_{UV}$
- spontaneously breaks its global symmetries $G \rightarrow K$

Colour $SU(3)_C$

Quarks & gluons

$\Lambda_C \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

$SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \rightarrow SU(3)_V$

Mesons & baryons

The infrared theory is made of composite states, whose masses have cutoff Λ !

Hyper-Colour gauge theory with mass gap $\Lambda_{HC} \sim 10 \text{ TeV}$

Take four hyper-quarks, in a pseudo-real representation of hyper-colour. Then:

$$\psi^a \sim \mathbf{4}_{SO(6)}, \quad \langle \psi^a \psi^b \rangle \sim \Lambda_{HC}^3 \Rightarrow G = SO(6) \rightarrow K = SO(5)$$

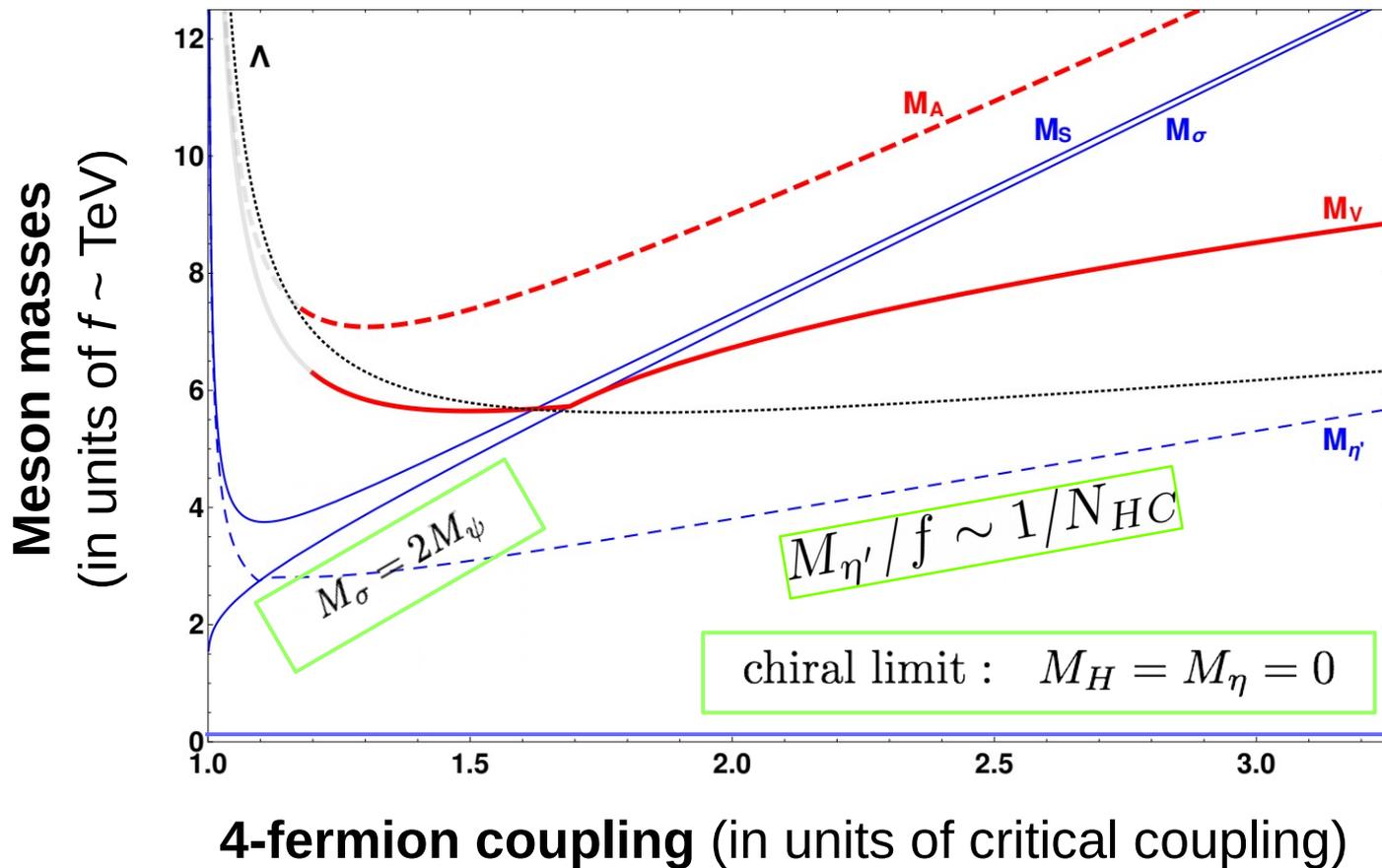
Five-plet of composite NG bosons: the 4 Higgs components h_i plus a SM singlet η , accompanied by **several massive meson resonances ...**

Spectrum of meson resonances

Below confinement, **dynamics can be approximated by four-fermion interactions** (à la Nambu Jona-Lasinio: hypergluon acquires a dynamical mass and is integrated out).

Correlation functions between two fermion bilinears can be computed resumming leading diagrams in $1/N_{HC}$. The resulting poles give the meson masses.

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spin-0 & spin-1
meson masses are related in the NJL approximation

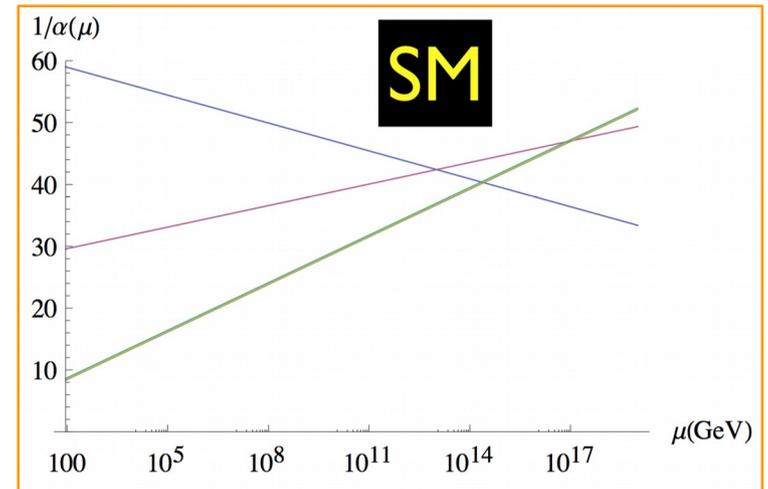
Components of each SO(5) multiplet have **degenerate masses** (electroweak splitting neglected)

$$\frac{M}{f} \sim \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_{HC}}}$$

here $N_{HC} = 4$

SO(10) unification

Motivation for a Grand Unified Theory:
 the Renormalisation Group evolution of the
 three SM gauge couplings points to a common value
 (precision requires ~20% new physics thresholds)



Unification of the three SM gauge groups into **one simple group**:

$$U(1)_Y \times SU(2)_w \times SU(3)_c \subset \left\{ \begin{array}{l} SU(5) \times U(1)_X \\ SO(4) \times SO(6) \end{array} \right\} \subset SO(10)$$

custodial x Pati-Salam

Additional GUT benefits:

- charge quantisation
- quantum numbers of SM fermions
- anomalies cancellation automatic [in SO(10)]
- fermion mass relations
- non-zero neutrino masses automatic [in SO(10)]

Assuming **multi-TeV scale supersymmetry**

- gauge coupling unification is precise
- the large hierarchy of scales is stable under quantum corrections

Fermion masses in SO(10)

SO(10) representations: the fundamental **10** and the spinor **16**

$$\mathbf{10} = (\mathbf{5} + \bar{\mathbf{5}})_{SU(5)} = \left\{ \left[(\mathbf{3}, 1)_{-\frac{1}{3}} + (1, 2)_{\frac{1}{2}} \right] + \left[(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, 1)_{\frac{1}{3}} + (1, 2)_{-\frac{1}{2}} \right] \right\}_{SM}$$

$$\mathbf{16} = (\mathbf{10} + \bar{\mathbf{5}} + \mathbf{1})_{SU(5)} = \left\{ \left[(\mathbf{3}, 2)_{\frac{1}{6}} + (\bar{\mathbf{3}}, 1)_{-\frac{2}{3}} + (1, 1)_1 \right] + \left[(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, 1)_{\frac{1}{3}} + (1, 2)_{-\frac{1}{2}} \right] + (1, 1)_0 \right\}_{SM}$$

- 3 families of SM chiral fermions are explained by 3 copies of **16** (without $\bar{\mathbf{16}}$ partners)
- Higgs doublets embedded as well (with a challenging doublet-triplet splitting required)

Minimal Yukawa superpotential:

$$W_y = \frac{1}{2} y_{ij} \mathbf{16}_i \mathbf{16}_j \mathbf{10}_H \Rightarrow y_u = y_d = y_e = y_\nu = y$$

“Split SO(10)”: matter and Higgs superfields both in 10 and in 16:

$$W_y = \frac{1}{2} y_{ij} \mathbf{16}_i \mathbf{16}_j \mathbf{10}_H + h_{ij} \mathbf{16}_i \mathbf{10}_j \mathbf{16}_H$$

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$$y_u = y \quad y_d^T = y_e = h \quad y_\nu = 0$$

$$h_{ij} \bar{\mathbf{5}}_i^{16} \mathbf{5}_j^{10} \mathbf{1}_H^{16}$$

Extra matter is made heavy by a GUT scale VEV
→ at electroweak scale same SM multiplets as before!

Predictive leptogenesis

SO(10) unification is tailor-made to explain (I) the tiny non-zero neutrino masses, & (II) the baryon asymmetry of the Universe.

But, in most models, low-scale and high-scale flavour parameters are independent.

In “Split SO(10)” a unique Yukawa controls (I) neutrino masses & (II) lepton asymmetry:

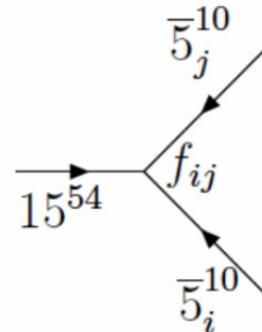
$$W_\nu = \frac{1}{2} f_{ij} \mathbf{10}_i \mathbf{10}_j \mathbf{54}_H$$

$$\mathbf{54} = (\mathbf{15} + \bar{\mathbf{15}} + \mathbf{24})_{SU(5)}$$

Two-index symmetric representation
 $\mathbf{54}$ contains Higgs triplet with
 VEV $\sim v^2/M_{15}$ (pure type-II seesaw)

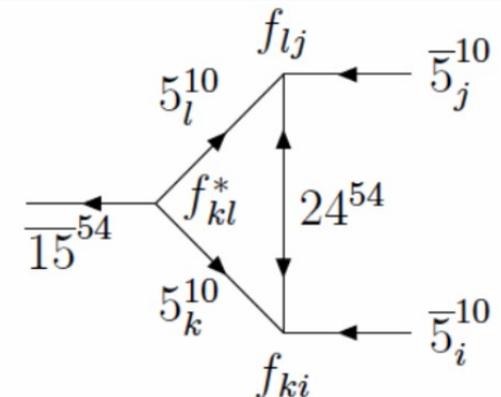
$$m_\nu \propto f$$

Higgs decays into leptons
 induce B-L asymmetry
 controlled by the matrix f_{ij} only !



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$$\epsilon_{B-L} \simeq \frac{1}{10\pi} \frac{M_{24}}{M_{15}} \frac{\Gamma_{15}^{lep}}{\Gamma_{15}^{tot}} \bar{f}^2 \frac{\text{Im}[(m_\nu)_{11} (m_\nu^* m_\nu m_\nu^*)_{11}]}{\bar{m}_\nu^4}$$

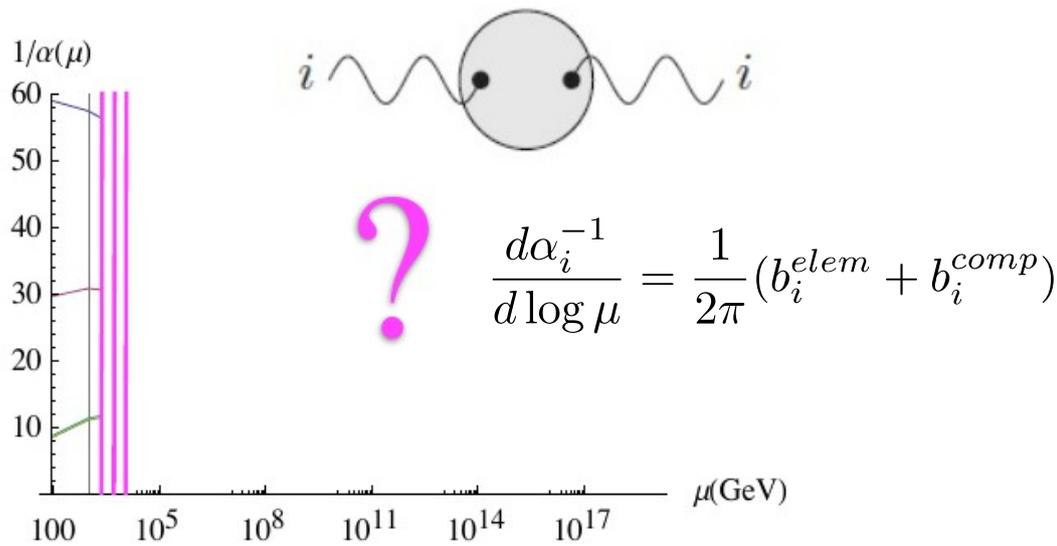


Decays can be sufficiently out-of-equilibrium (large efficiency) for successful baryogenesis

Hambye-Raidal-Strumia '05

Unification from compositeness

Can we study gauge unification if new physics is strongly-coupled at multi-TeV scale ?



The large top-quark Yukawa indicates that t_R can be a fully composite state, as the Higgs

$$y_t = g_* \epsilon_{q_L} \epsilon_{t_R} \simeq 1$$

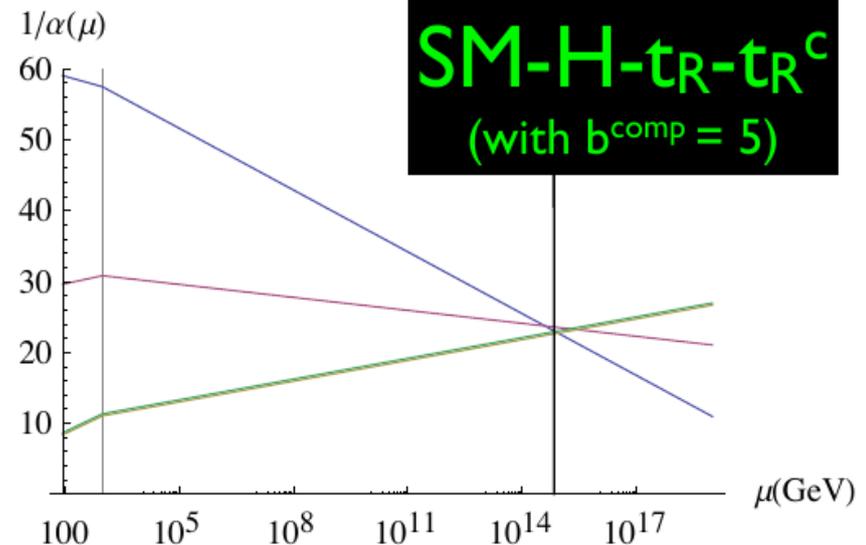
$$b_i^{elem} = b_i^{SM} - b_i^H - 2b_i^{t_R}$$

Agashe-Contino-Sundrum '05

The composite sector includes Higgs and top-quark partners, therefore it modifies the running of all 3 gauge couplings

$$G \supset SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_w \times U(1)_Y$$

Unification depends only on b_i - b_j !
 If the composite global symmetry G is simple, then $b_{1,2,3}^{comp} = b^{comp}$



Global SO(10) at multi-TeV scale

Explicit realisation of composite unification: $G/K = SO(11)/SO(10)$ at scale $m_* = g_* f$:

Minimal unified global symmetry containing the custodial SM

Frigerio-Serra-Varagnolo '11

$$[SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R] \times [SU(3)_C \times U(1)'] \subset SO(4) \times SO(6) \subset SO(10)$$

Higgs and right-handed top quark belong to composite SO(10) multiplets:

$$\mathbf{10}_H = (H, T)_{B=0}$$

Higgs partner is one colour-triplet scalar T

$$\mathbf{10}_{t_R} = (t_R, T_R^c, L_R, L_R^c)_{B=1/3}$$

Top partners x_R are one colour-triplet and two weak-doublet fermions

Top partners pair with elementary fermions $x_L = (T_L^c, L_L, L_L^c)$ to become massive \rightarrow Unification !

Mass spectrum: $m_x \simeq \lambda_x f$ $m_T \simeq \frac{(N_g g_s^2 + N_x \lambda_x^2) g_*^2}{16\pi^2} f^2$ $m_h \simeq \frac{N_x \lambda_x^4}{16\pi^2} \frac{v^2}{f^2} f^2$

Composite partners \leftrightarrow Super-partners of supersymmetric models.
One of them could be dark matter.
TeV-GUT splitting occurs in top sector, rather than in Higgs sector.

Direct searches at LHC
push coloured states
well above one TeV ...

Perspective

- **New physics with $SO(N)$ symmetries can address the shortcomings of Standard Model :**
 - Quantum instability of the electroweak scale
 - (Dark matter candidates)
 - Non-zero neutrino masses
 - Baryogenesis
 - Unification of gauge and Yukawa couplings
 - (Flavour structure)
 - ...
- **The theories discussed here present some aesthetic features :**
 - ✓ $SO(N+1)/SO(N)$ straightforward extension of the SM custodial
 - ✓ Confining gauge theories solid framework to study G/K symmetry breaking
 - ✓ Grand Unification emerges from several convincing low energy footprints
 - ✓ ...
- **As well as some anti-aesthetic features :**
 - × Baryon & lepton number conservation often ad-hoc (dark matter stability as well)
 - × The heaviness of the top quark makes the little hierarchy problem painful
 - × Realistic Grand Unification requires subtle splitting of TeV-GUT scale masses
 - × ...
- **Some experimental indication of non-standard physics may help.
Even without positive signals, there is room left for theoretical progress.**