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Addressing the Strong CP problem

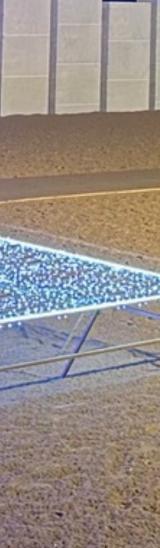
in Composite Higgs/ Roman

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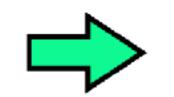
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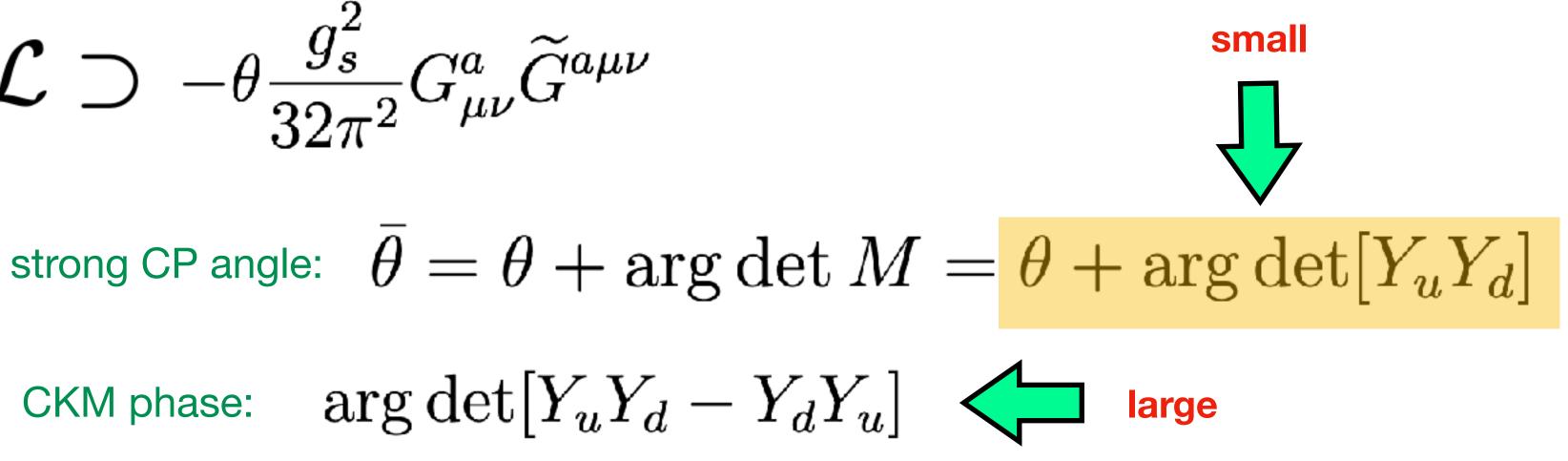


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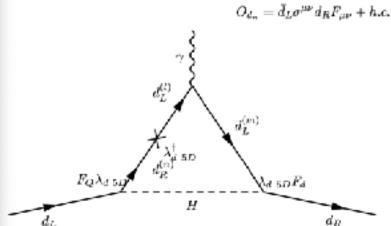
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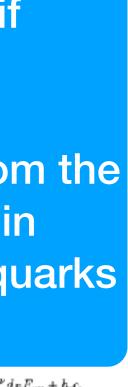
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But, the situation is different, if **BSM is considered:**

e.g. in SUSY, 1-loop RG running from the gluino mass phase is large, or in composite Higgs, 1-loop with KK quarks and Higgs is large







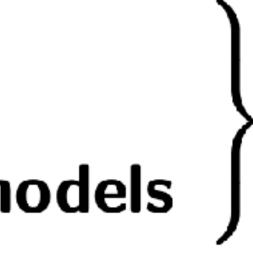
Adressing Strong CP problem

• Addressing the problem by Spurious symmetries of \mathcal{L}_{QCD}

• anomalous $U(1): \bar{\theta} \to \bar{\theta} + \alpha$ -) linear: massless up quark \rightarrow ruled out -) non-linear: $U(1)_{PQ} \rightarrow axion$

• P: $\bar{\theta} \rightarrow -\bar{\theta}$. Mirror world, ...

• CP: $\bar{\theta} \rightarrow -\bar{\theta}$. Nelson-Barr models



"good" UV symmetries: gauged in extra dimensions

Dine, Leigh, MacIntire (1992) Choi, Kaplan, Nelson (1993)

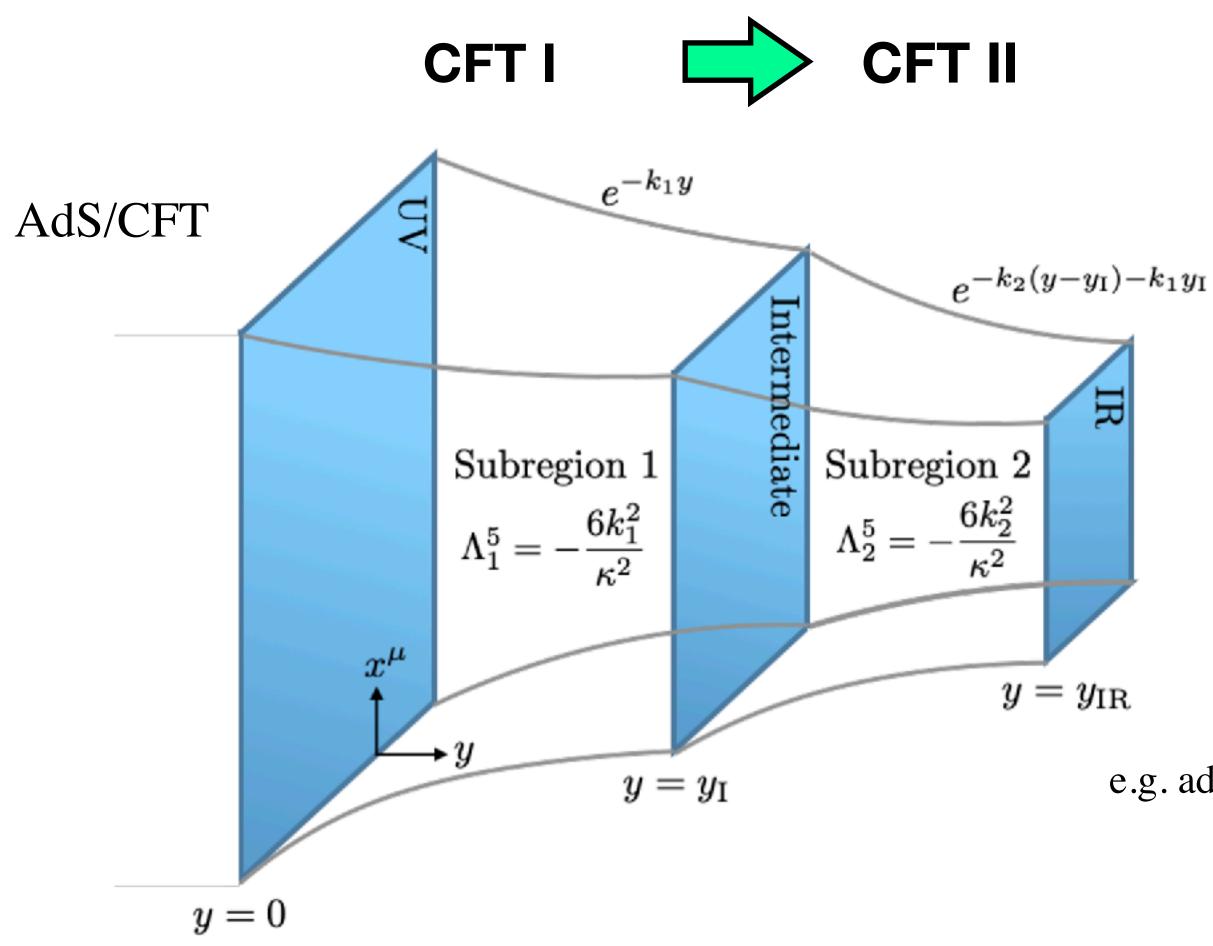
Outline of the lest of talk

We assume there is a BSM physics, which makes the strong CP problem serious. (in our case BSM is Composite Higgs/RS model)

- Doubly Composite Higgs / Three-brane RS model
- Nelson-Barr models in Composite Higgs / RS model
- High Quality Axion in Composite Higgs / RS model
- Summary

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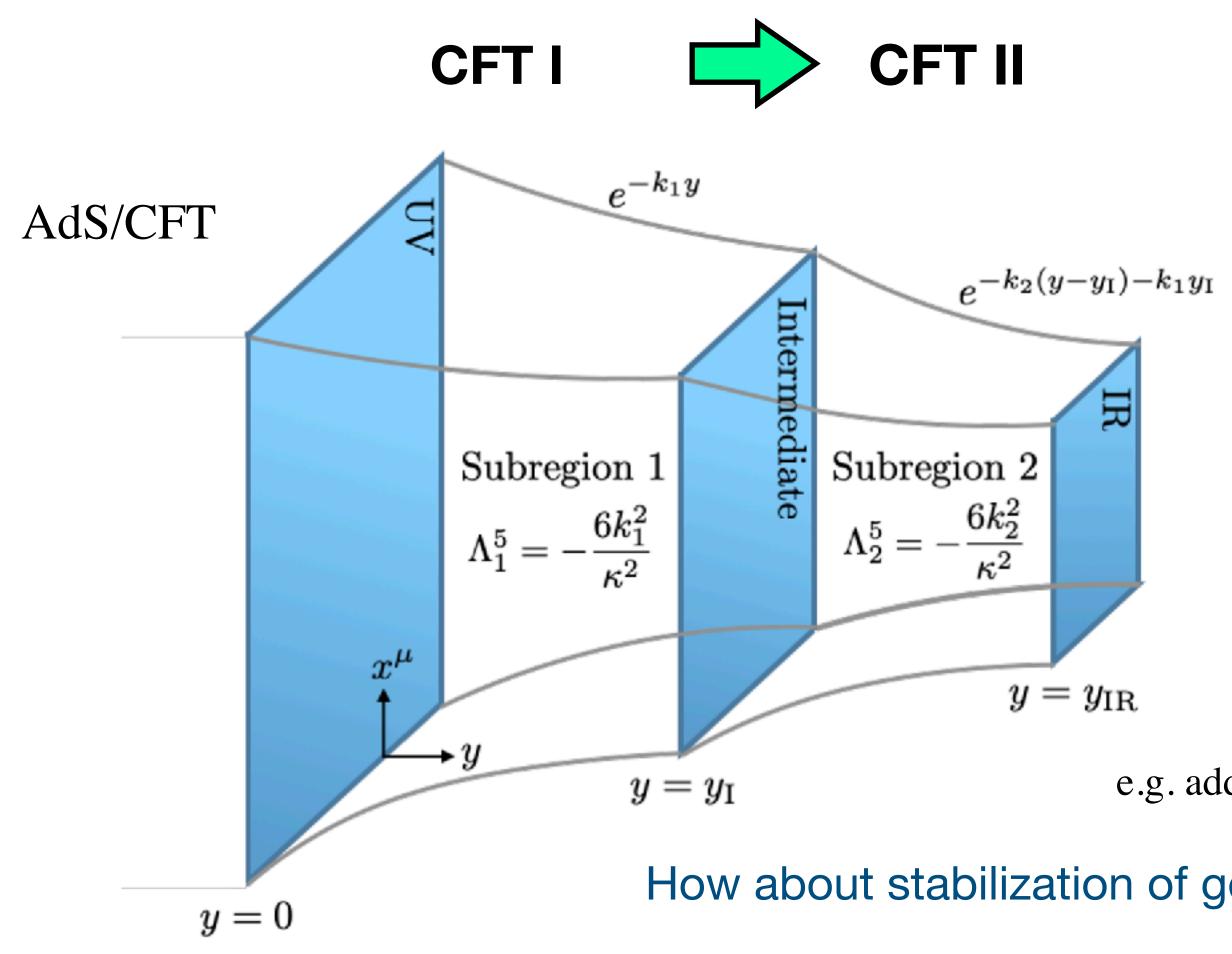
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How about stabilization of geometry? SL, Y. Nakai, M. Suzuki (2022)

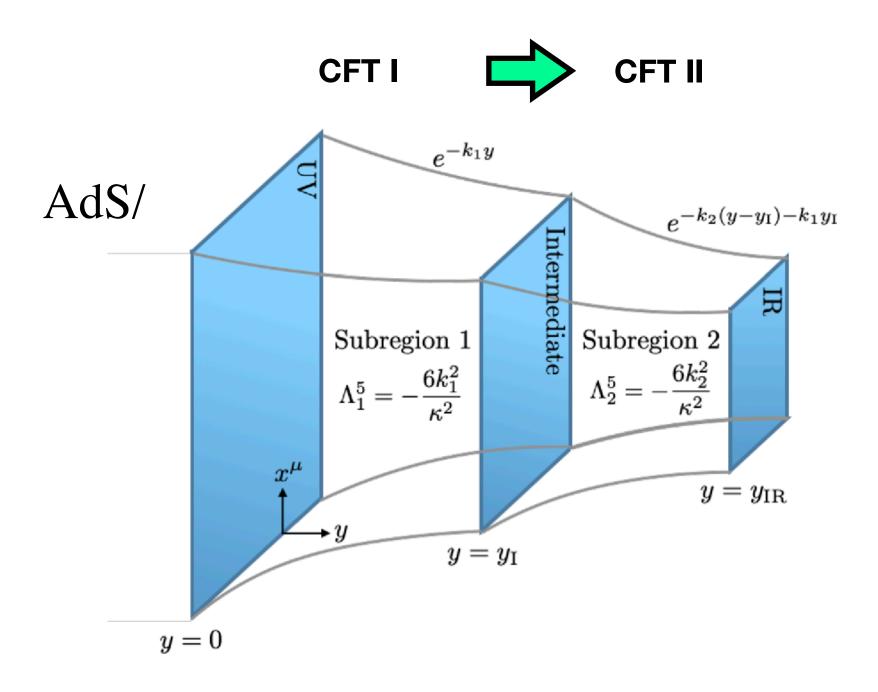




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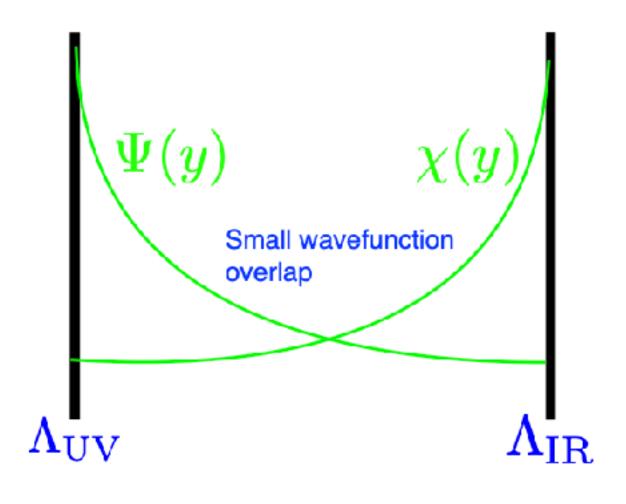
"Warped" dimension is dual to 4D strong dynamics

• What's the advantage?



Can generate a hierarchy of scales dynamically $\Lambda_{IR} = \Lambda_{UV} e^{-ky}$

Can generate small couplings
 (partial compositeness via different 5D profile)

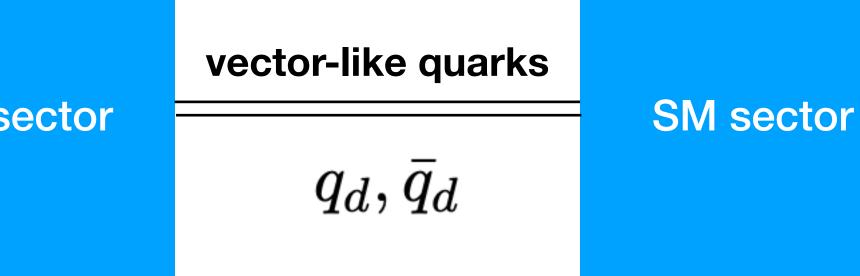


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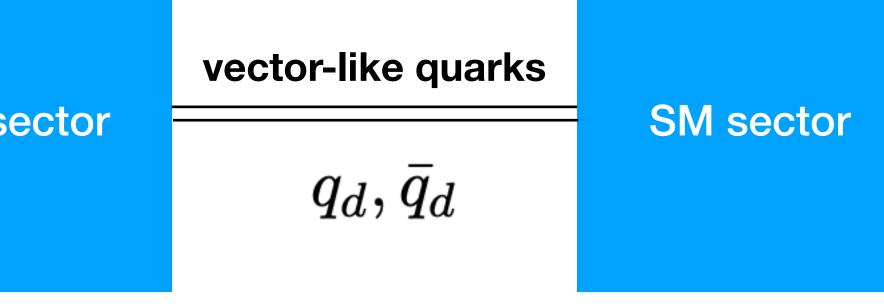
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SM singlet complex scalar

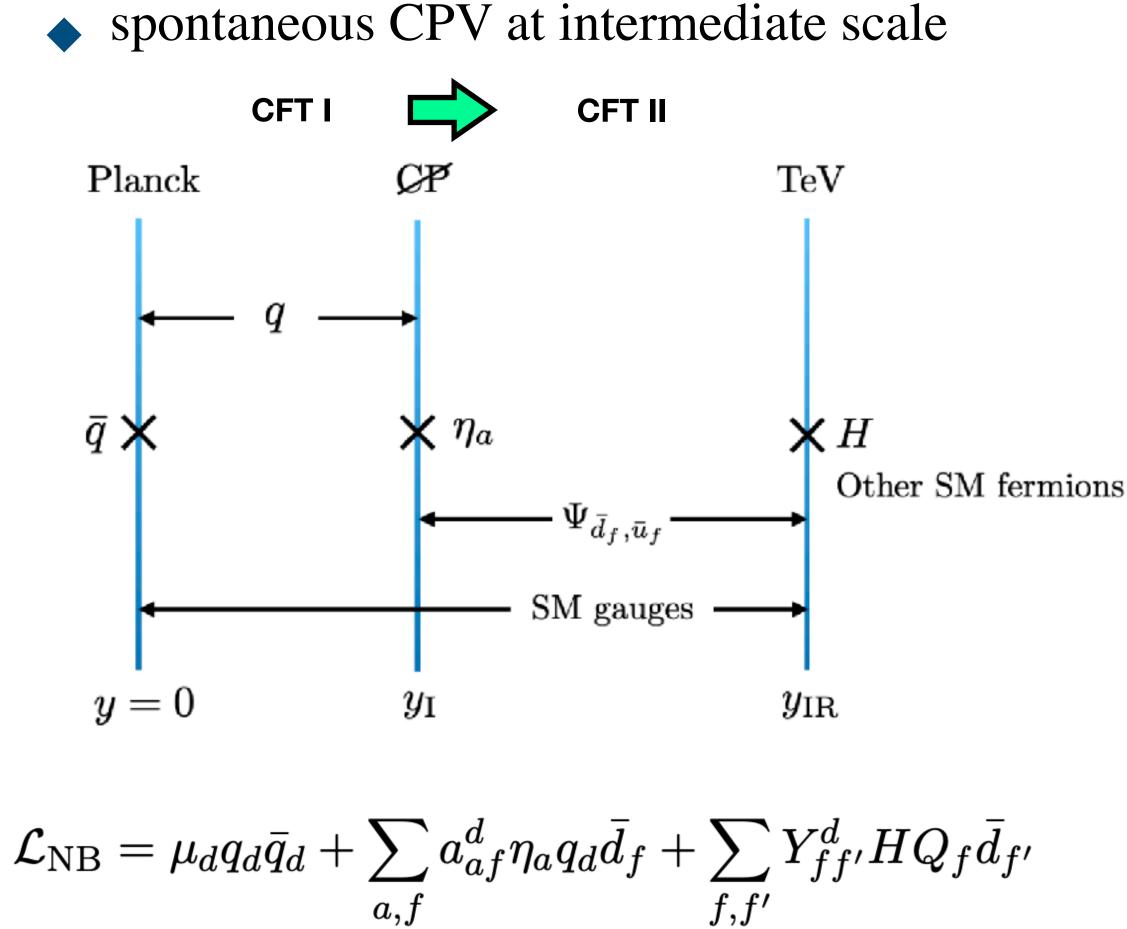
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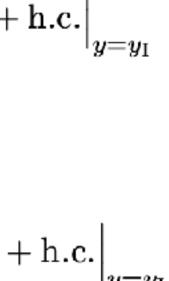
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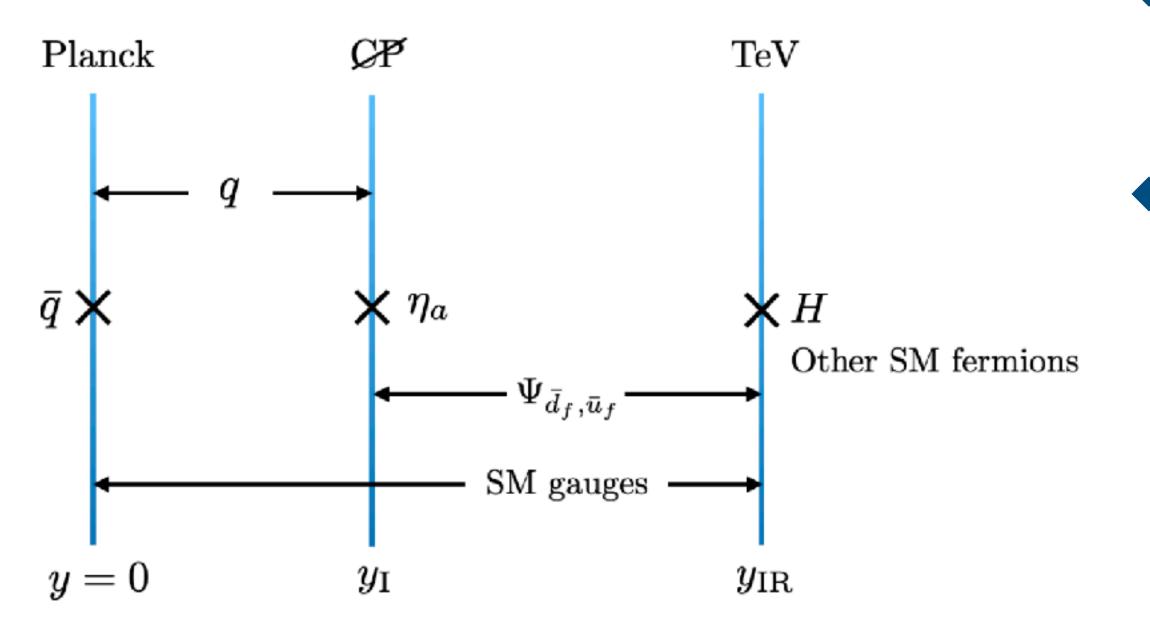
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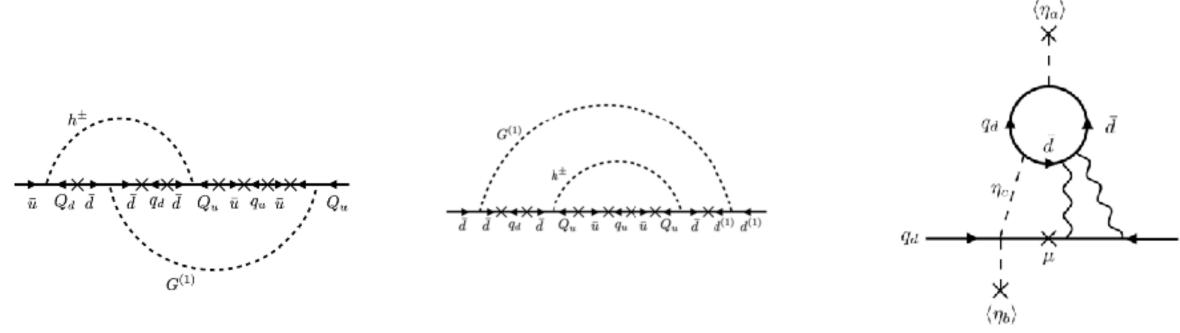


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Reproduces the SM, and satisfies constraints

Radiative corrections are under control: no 1-loop contribution

three branes are essential to forbid dangerous operators leading to a large corrections



Flavor symetries are needed!







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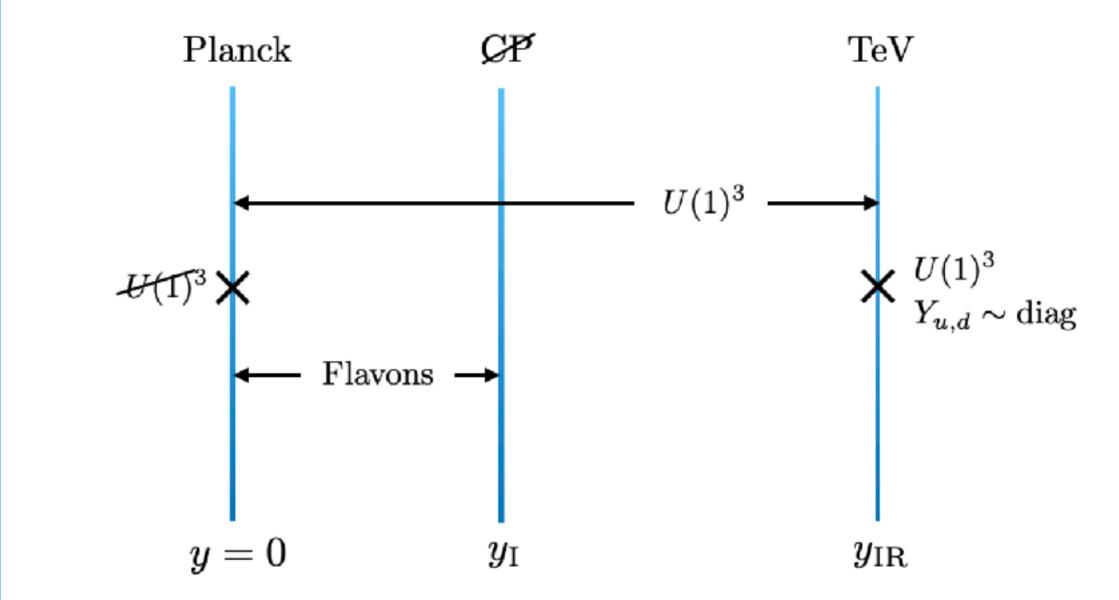
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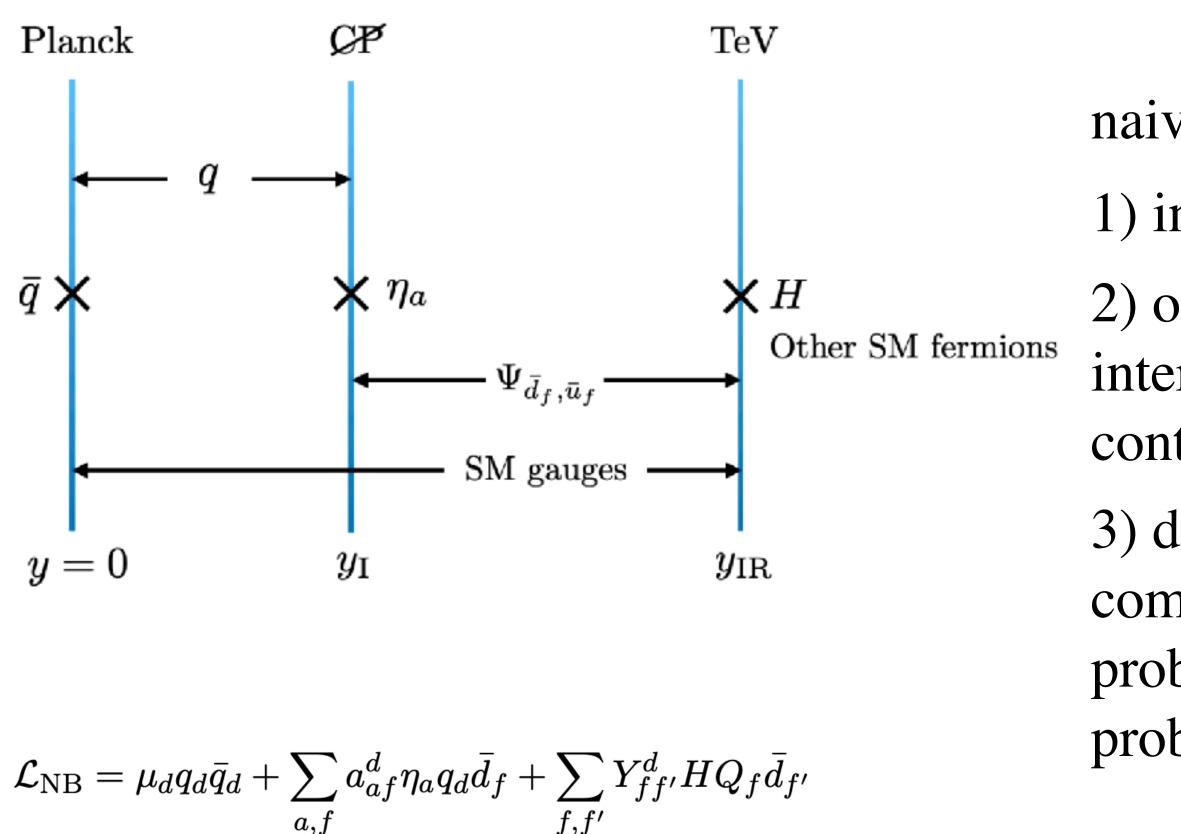
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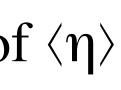
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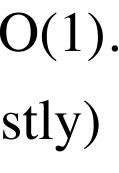
naively uncorrelated mass scales, namely μ and $a_{af} \langle \eta \rangle$ 1) intermediate brane naturally provides the mass scale of $\langle \eta \rangle$

2) overlap of the UV brane-localized \overline{q} and (quasi-) intermediate brane-localized q determines μ , which is controlled by the intermediate brane mass scale for $c_q = O(1)$.

3) dual 4D description, \overline{q} is elementary whereas q is (mostly) composite. Hence, the prescription to the coincidence problem is similar in nature to the solution for the hierarchy problem in warped extra dimension models.









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Axion Quality Problem

Axion EFT

 $a \to a + \alpha f_a, \qquad \theta \to \theta - \alpha.$ - anomalous symmetry associated with axion coupling:

- but, there is no symmetry associated with it!

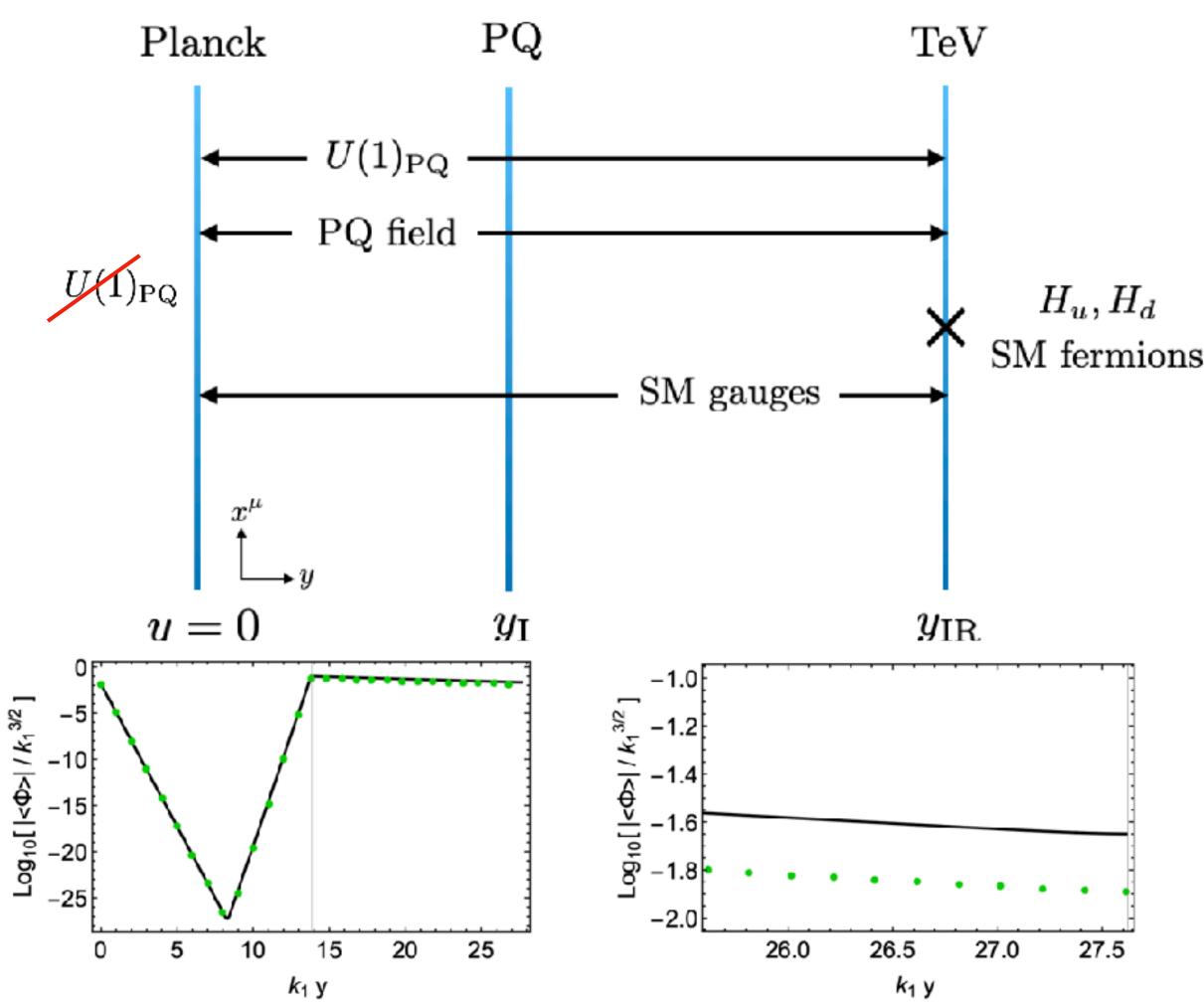
1. Because axion has no symmetry properties, there is no way to form axion coupling in the above EFT Lagrangian, without also including a host of other couplings (EFT should allow every couplings) not forbidden by symmetry)

2. Quantum gravity breaks un-gauged symmetries. => even if one imposes the anomalous symmetry, gravitational effects will break it and the axion will obtain a separate mass term that is not centered around a zero neutron EDM, which reintroduces the problem.

 $\mathcal{L} \supset \left(\frac{a}{f_a} + \theta\right) \frac{1}{32\pi^2} G\tilde{G}.$







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PQ symmetry is realized as a gauge symmetry in the bulk of the extra dimension to solve the axion quality problem

Choi (2003), Flacke, Gripaios, March-Russell, Maybury (2006)

$$\Phi \equiv \left(\langle \Phi \rangle + \eta \right) e^{ia}$$

PQ symmetry breaking

"Bulk VEV"

$$-\partial_5(e^{-4\sigma}\partial_5\langle\Phi\rangle) + m_p^2 e^{-4\sigma}\langle\Phi\rangle = 0$$

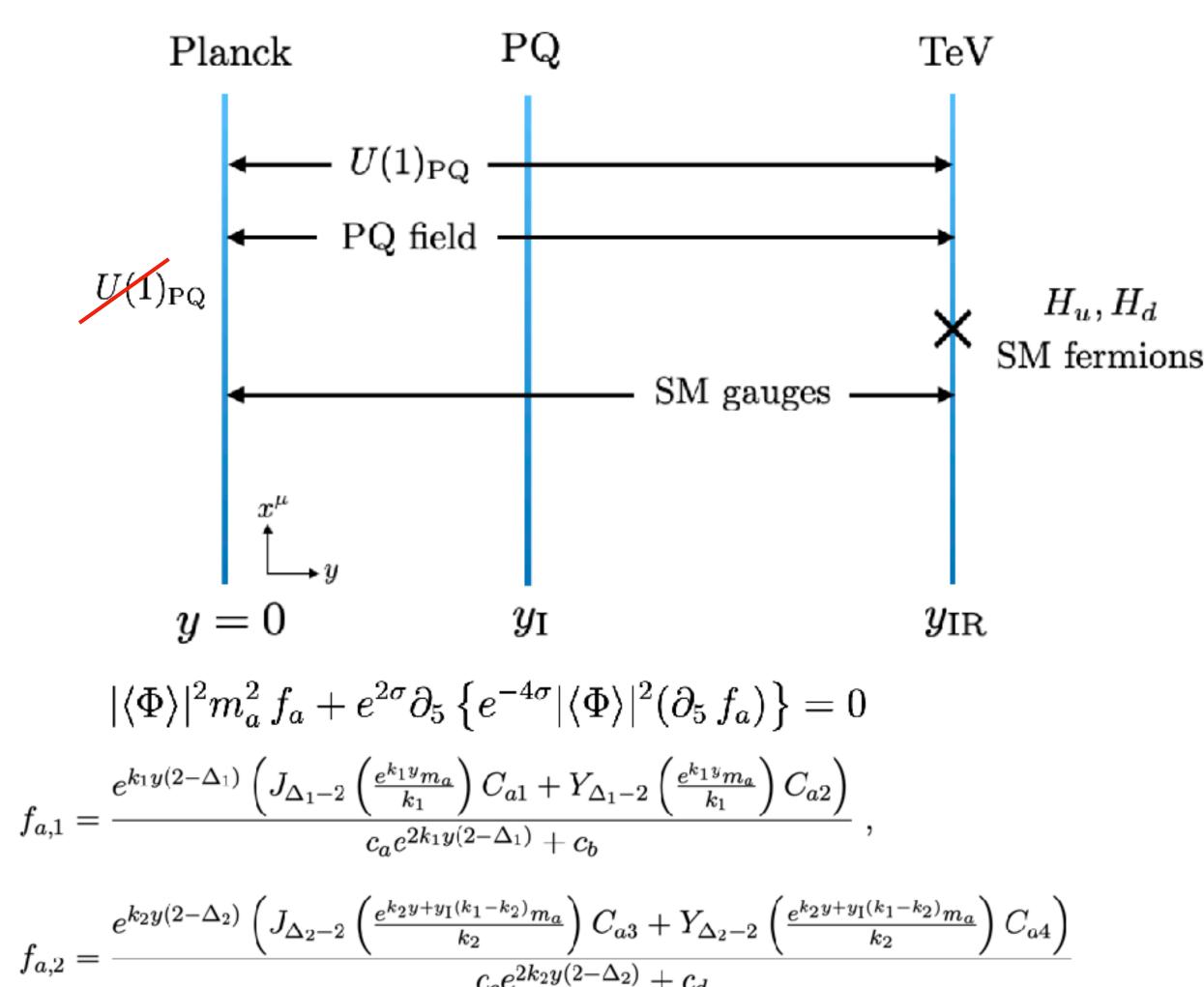
$$m_{1,2}^2 \equiv \Delta_{1,2} \left(\Delta_{1,2} - 4 \right) k_{1,2}^2$$
 "Bulk mass"

$$\begin{split} \langle \Phi_1 \rangle &= k_1^{3/2} \left[c_a \, e^{k_1 y (4 - \Delta_1)} + c_b \, e^{k_1 y \Delta_1} \right] & \text{(subregion} \\ \langle \Phi_2 \rangle &= k_2^{3/2} \left[c_c \, e^{k_2 y (4 - \Delta_2)} + c_d \, e^{k_2 y \Delta_2} \right] & \text{(subregion)} \end{split}$$







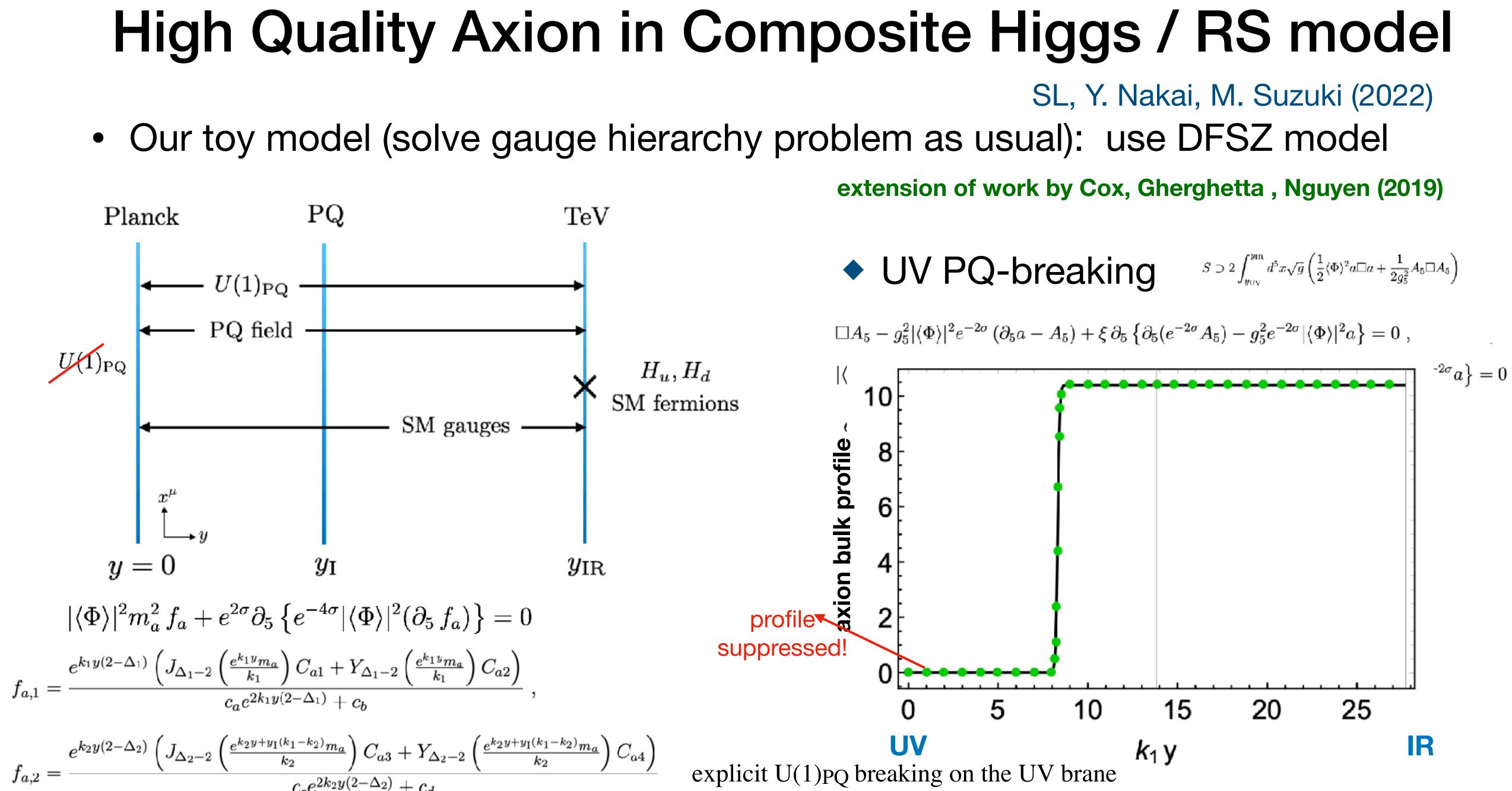


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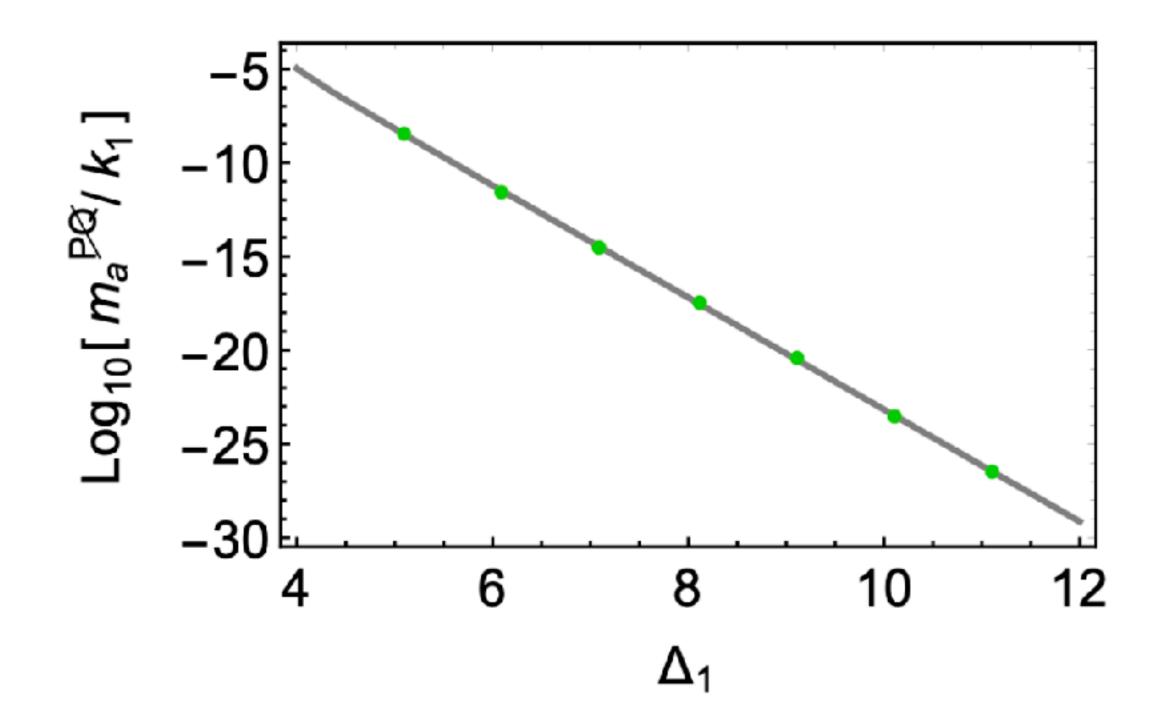
extension of work by Cox, Gherghetta, Nguyen (2019)

$$\bullet \quad \mathsf{UV} \mathsf{PQ-breaking} \qquad {}^{S \supset 2} \int_{y_{\mathrm{UV}}}^{y_{\mathrm{IR}}} d^{5}x \sqrt{g} \left(\frac{1}{2} \langle \Phi \rangle^{2} a \Box a + \frac{1}{2g_{5}^{2}} A_{5} \Box A_{5} - g_{5}^{2} |\langle \Phi \rangle|^{2} e^{-2\sigma} \left(\partial_{5}a - A_{5}\right) + \xi \partial_{5} \left\{\partial_{5}(e^{-2\sigma}A_{5}) - g_{5}^{2}e^{-2\sigma}|\langle \Phi \rangle|^{2}a\right\} = 0 , \\ |\langle \Phi \rangle|^{2} \Box a - e^{2\sigma} \partial_{5} \left\{e^{-4\sigma}|\langle \Phi \rangle|^{2} \left(\partial_{5}a - A_{5}\right)\right\} + \xi |\langle \Phi \rangle|^{2} \left\{\partial_{5}(e^{-2\sigma}A_{5}) - g_{5}^{2}|\langle \Phi \rangle|^{2}e^{-2\sigma} \right\} \\ a(x, y) = \sum_{n} f_{a}^{(n)}(y) a^{(n)}(x)$$





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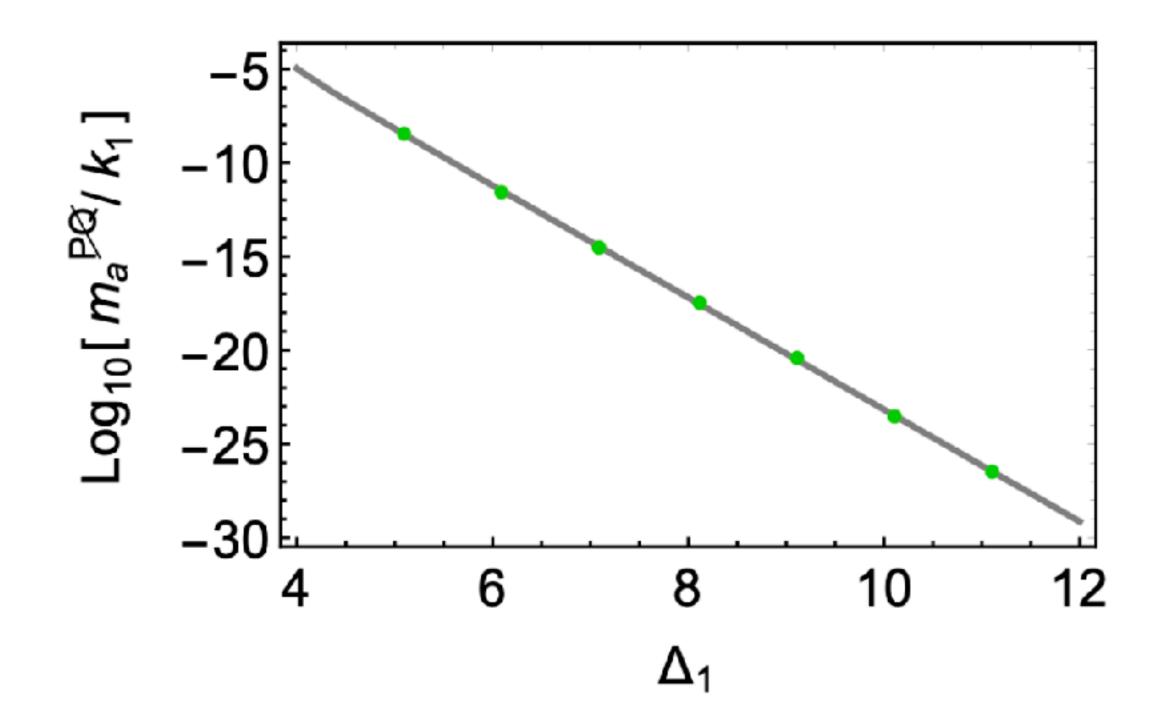
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> UV axion mass suppressed for large Δ



- Axion High Quality Problem in our model:
 - axion mass: generated from non-perturbative QCD effects

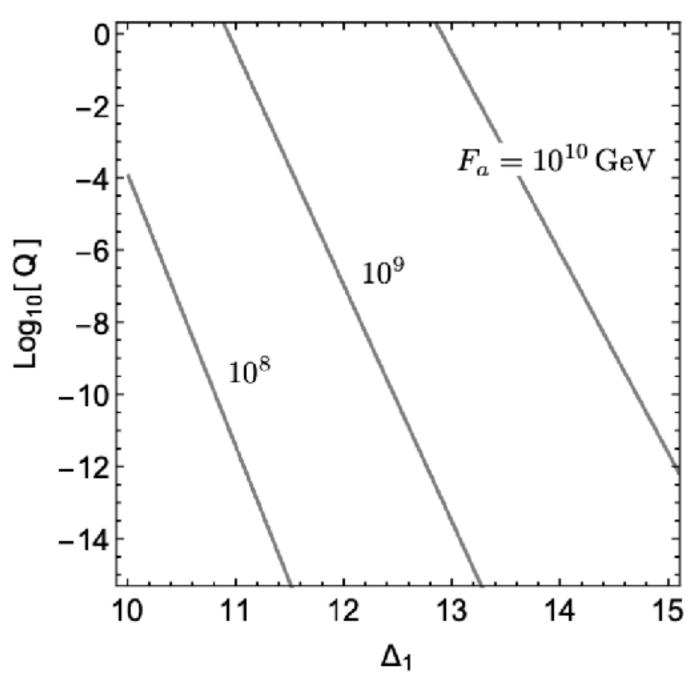
$$m_a^{\rm QCD} = \frac{\sqrt{z}}{1+z} \frac{m_\pi F_\pi}{F_a}$$

- $z \equiv m_u/m_d \simeq 0.56$
- Quality factor

$$\mathcal{Q} \equiv (m_a^{\mathrm{PQ}}/m_a^{\mathrm{QCD}})^2$$

The strong CP problem is correctly solved with $Q \leq 10^{-10}$ Q is significantly suppressed as Δ_1 increases and the axion quality problem is solved for $\Delta_1 \sim 10$

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Prediction

TeV scale KK axions

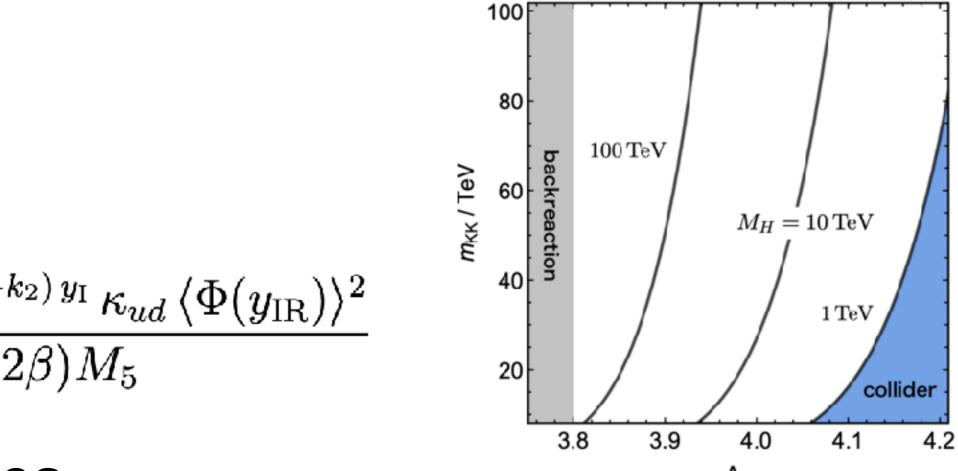
$$S_{\rm eff} \supset \int d^4x \, \frac{1}{32\pi^2 F_{a_{KK}^{(1)}}} a^{(1)}(x) G_{\mu\nu}^{a(0)} \widetilde{G}^{a(0)\mu\nu} \,, \qquad \frac{1}{F_{a_{KK}^{(1)}}} \equiv A_{\rm QCD} \, f_a^{(1)}(y_{\rm IR})$$

- TeV scale KK excitation of η and gauge U(1)_Q
- Extra Higgs boson

$$M_H^2 pprox rac{2 \, e^{-2k_2 \, y_{\mathrm{IR}} - 2(k_1 - k_2)}{\sin(2k_1 - k_2)}$$

 GW with multiple peak frequencies Δ₂ (multiple confinement-deconfinement phase transitions in the early Universe)

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Summary

- Strong CP is a serious problem for extension of the SM model
- We show how to address it with doubly composite Higgs model / RS with three branes:
 - Nelson-Barr models in Composite Higgs / RS model
 - High Quality Axion in Composite Higgs / RS model

our model also address the naturalness problem for EWSB