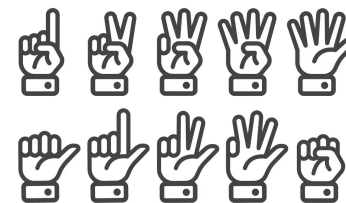


Hilbert series and applications ... or how to count stuff .



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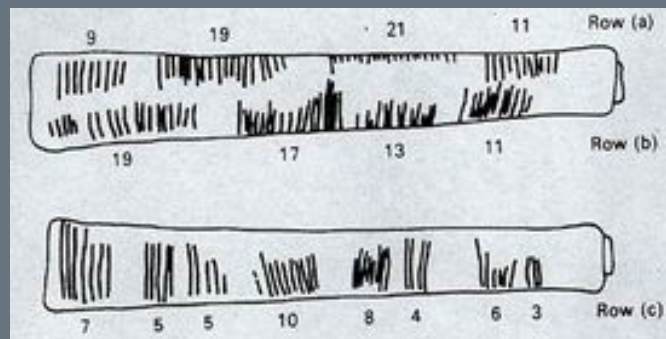
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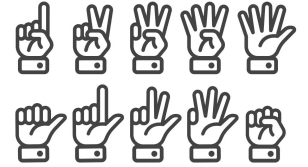
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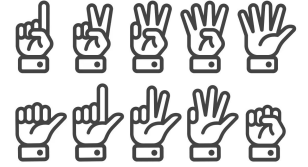


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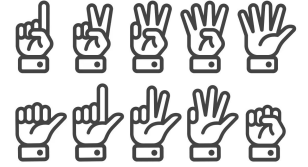


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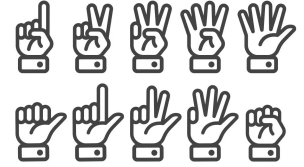
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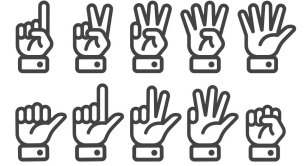
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2. Hilbert series
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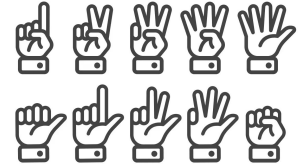
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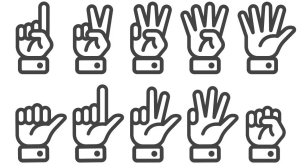
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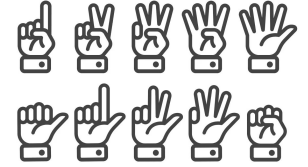


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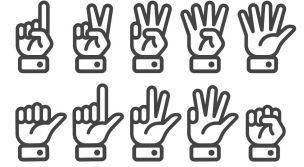
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It can be computed with our code: [HilbCalc](#)  [\[Grinstein+Lu+Miró+PQ, 24\]](#)

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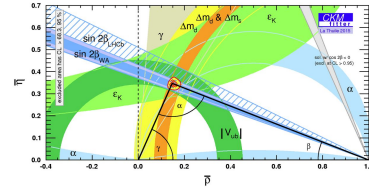
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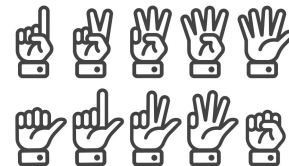
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SMEFT

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Single particle Module (EOM)

Integration by parts

Cohomology operators

$$R_\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi \\ \partial_\mu \phi \\ \partial_{\{\mu_1} \partial_{\mu_2\}} \phi \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \cdot$$

$$\mathcal{H}_K^{SO(4)} = \mathcal{H}_Q^{SO(4)} - \mathcal{H}_{f(\partial_\mu Q^\mu)}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{f(\partial_\mu Q^\mu)} = \mathcal{H}_Q^{\text{co-exact 0-form}}$$

$$= q \left(\mathcal{H}_Q^{1\text{-form}} - \mathcal{H}_Q^{\text{cohomology 1-form}} \right) - q \mathcal{H}_Q^{\text{co-exact 1-form}}$$

$$\Delta \mathcal{H}_K^{SO(4)}(q)$$

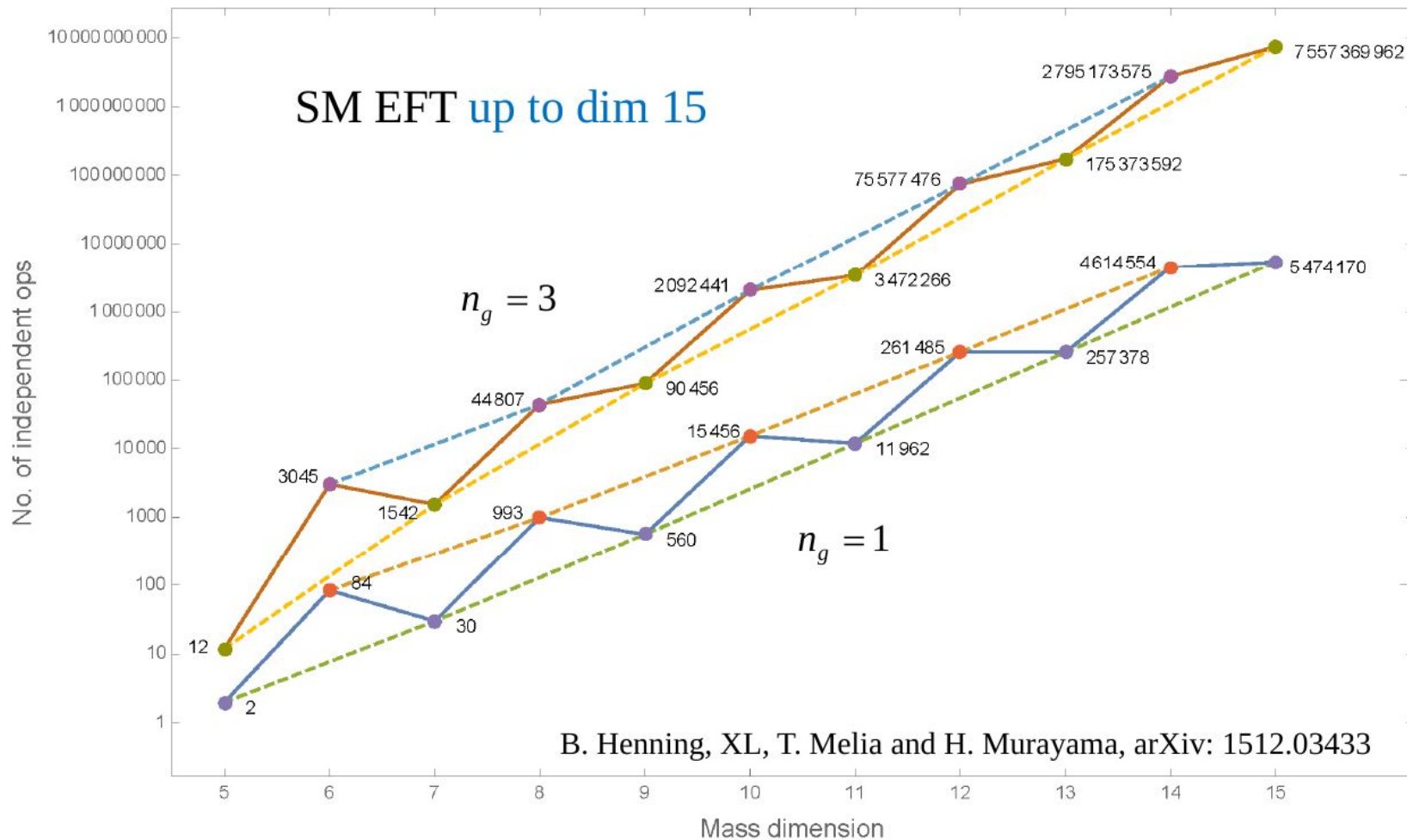


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History of Enumerating SMEFT Operators

➤ dim 6, $n_g = 1$	1986	Buchmuller and Wyler Nucl. Phys. B 268 (1986) 621	80 operators
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SM EFT up to dim 15



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Accidental up to order N-1

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$N = 2 \rightarrow$ Custodial symmetry in Higgs sector of SMEFT

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dim-8 : $(H^\dagger H)^4, \dots$

~~$O(4)$~~

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Inv, IBP

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Thank you

Back up slides

Brion Theorem

6.2. Expand

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The so-defined constants $r(M)$ and $s(M)$ are closely related to the B -module structure. The integer $r(M) = P(B(M); 1)/P(B; 1)$ is just the rank of $B(M)$ as a B -module. If the generic orbit in V is closed, isomorphic to G/H , then $r(M) = \dim M^H$ (See [Sch1] or **[Bri]**).

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Primary Invariants	$\phi^{[12 \dots \phi^{(2N-1)(2N)]}$	$\varphi_1^{[12 \dots \varphi_1^{(2N-3)(2N-2)} \varphi_2^{2N-1}]$

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unbroken group under a generic vev

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type-3	✗	✓
type-4	✗	✗

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$H_1 = G$: a friend of any $H_2 \subset G$

$H_1 = \{\mathbf{e}\}$: only friend is $H_2 = G$

$G = H_1 \times H_2$: H_1 and H_2 are friends

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} F \text{ is a friend of } H_1 \\ F \subset H_2 \subset G \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow H_2 \text{ is a friend of } H_1$$

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Friends and friends *ma non troppo*

Class III , $N = 4$

$G = SU(8)$ Irrep Dynkin label	Dimension (name)	$H = SU(7)$ Invariants	$H_{\Phi} = Sp(8)$ Invariants
(1000000)	8	1	0
(0100000)	28	0	1
(2000000)	36	1	0
(0010000)	56	0	0
(1000001)	63	1	0
(0001000)	70	0	1
(3000000)	120	1	0
(1100000)	168	0	0
(0100001)	216	0	0
(2000001)	280	1	0
(4000000)	330	1	0
(0200000)	336	0	1
(1010000)	378	0	0
(0010001)	420	0	0
(0001001)	504	0	0
(2100000)	630	0	0
(0100010)	720	0	1
(0000005)	792	1	0
(3000001)	924	1	0
(2000010)	945	0	0
(0000110)	1008	0	0
(0000200)	1176	0	0
(2000002)	1232	1	0

$G = SU(6)$ Irrep Dynkin label	Dimension (name)	$H = SU(3) \times SU(2)$ Invariants	$H_{\Phi} = SU(5)$ Invariants
(10000)	6	0	1
(01000)	15	0	0
(00100)	20	0	0
(20000)	21	0	1
(10001)	35	0	1
(30000)	56	0	1
(11000)	70	0	0
(01001)	84	0	0
(00101)	105	0	0
(00020)	105'	0	0
(20001)	120	0	1
(00004)	126	0	1
(00200)	175	0	0
(01010)	189	1	0
(00110)	210	0	0
(00012)	210'	0	0
(00005)	252	0	1
(20010)	280	0	0
(30001)	315	0	1
(00102)	336	0	0
(11001)	384	0	0
(20002)	405	1	1
(00021)	420	0	0
(60000)	462	0	1
(03000)	490	1	0
(00013)	504	0	0
(10101)	540	0	0
(10020)	560	0	0
(40001)	700	0	1