

Electroweak Baryogenesis without Electric Dipole Moments

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Baryon Asymmetry of Universe

• From CMB:

 $\Omega_B h^2 = 0.02237 \pm 0.00015$

• From BBN: Abundance of light elements depends on $\frac{n_B}{n}$ n_{γ} n_B n_{γ} $\approx (6.04 \pm 0.2) \times 10^{-10}$ $Y_{\Delta B} =$ $n_B - n_{\overline{B}}$ \mathcal{S}_{0} $\approx 8 \times 10^{-11}$

Electroweak baryogenesis

Dimopoulos & Susskind 1978 Kuzmin, Rubakov & Shaposhnikov 1985 Cohen, Kaplan & Nelson 1990

• The observed baryon asymmetry not explained within the SM

EW baryogenesis provides a mechanism

- \checkmark Closely tied to the physics at the EW scale
- \checkmark Testable at colliders and low-energy experiments

Three Sakharov conditions for generating baryon asymmetry:

- Baryon number violation: electroweak sphalerons
- Out of equilibrium dynamics: a first order electroweak phase transition (with a modified dynamics compared to the SM)
- C and CP violation: new source of CP violation

Electric dipole moment constraints

- The CP violation introduced for EWBG generically feeds into electron EDM at two loops
- Current bound on electron EDM:

 $d_e < 4 \times 10^{-30}$ e cm Roussy, Caldwell et al, 2022

$$
\frac{d_e}{e} \sim \delta_{\rm CP} \frac{g^2 \alpha}{(4\pi)^3} \frac{m_e}{M^2} \sim \frac{\delta_{\rm CP}}{10^{-2}} g^2 \left(\frac{300 \text{ GeV}}{M}\right)^2 4 \times 10^{-30} \text{ cm}
$$

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• Significant further improvement expected

■ What are the scenarios of EWBG that can avoid EDM bounds?

Avoiding EDM bounds

- Electroweak symmetry non-restoration
	- Introduce new degrees of freedom interacting with Higgs such that EW

symmetry is not restored until $T \gg m_w$

- States of $M \gg m_w$ with CPV interactions can be active during the EWPT
- Sequestering: CP violation in a dark sector
	- CP asymmetry produced in a dark sector and transferred to the visible sector
	- Contribution to EDM suppressed
- Spontaneous CP violation

Weinberg 1974 Meade & Ramani 2018 Baldes & Servant 2018 Glioti, Rattazzi & Vecchi 2018

e.g. Carena, Quiros, Zhang 2018

EW baryogenesis with spontaneous CP violation

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McDonald 1994 McDonald 1995 Comelli, Pietroni & Riotto 1993

In Composite Higgs models: Espinosa Gripaios Konstandin & Riva 2012

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	- \checkmark CP violation responsible for EWBG does not contribute to EDMs
- Simplest example: SM+ a singlet (CP-odd) scalar
- New scalar provides also the possibility of a first order PT

$$
\mathcal{L} \supset -V(h,\eta) + iy_t\; b\frac{\eta}{f}\; \bar{t}_L H\; t_R
$$

$$
\delta_{\rm CP} \sim b \frac{\Delta \eta}{f}
$$

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EW phase transition and EW baryogenesis

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EWBG with spontaneous CPV: need for *explicit* CPV

- Only spontaneous CPV not enough
- Different domains with opposite asymmetry formed
- Final asymmetry averages to zero
- A small explicit breaking biases domains with a particular sign
- A tiny explicit breaking is enough for the domains with the wrong

sign to vanish before the EWPT $\frac{2}{3}$

• Negligible contribution to EDMs

$$
\frac{\Delta V}{T^4} \gg \frac{H}{T} \sim \frac{T}{M_{\rm Pl}} \sim 10^{-16}
$$

McDonald 1995 Espinosa Gripaios Konstandin & Riva 2012

Outline

- Introduction: Electroweak baryogenesis and EDMs
- Electroweak baryogenesis with spontaneous CP violation
- Realization in Composite Higgs: A problem of double tuning

Solutions

- \triangleright Quartic couplings without mass terms
- \triangleright Symmetry breaking with higher representations: a new parameter in power counting

Composite Higgs

Composite Higgs models:

- Highly motivated as they address the large hierarchies
- Higgs a confined composite state of strong dynamics around the TeV scale
- Can both the Higgs and the new singlet scalar be composite PNGBs of the strong dynamics?

Minimal Composite Higgs model

- A strongly coupled sector with a SO(5) global symmetry broken spontaneously to SO(4)
- 4 Goldstones : the 4 (real) fields form the Higgs doublet
- $SO(4) \simeq SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$
- $SU(2)_L$ and $T_R^3 + X$ gauged
- Explicit breaking of symmetry by composite-elementary mixing and gauge interactions \rightarrow generate a potential for the Higgs

 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}} = g A_{\mu} J^{\mu} + \lambda_{i} \psi_{i} O_{i}$

Agashe Contino Pomarol 2004 review: Panico & Wulzer 2015

Estimating the parameters of the potential

$$
V = \frac{3y_t^2}{16\pi^2} g_*^2 f^4 \left(a_h \left(\frac{h}{f} \right)^2 + \frac{b_h}{2} \left(\frac{h}{f} \right)^4 \right), \quad a_h, b_h = O(1) \quad \text{expected}
$$

Current data can be accommodated by $g_* \sim 2$, $b_h \sim 1$, $a_h \lesssim 0.1$

≻ Higgs quartic obtained for $g_* \sim 2$, $b_h \sim 1$

$$
\geq a_h = \frac{m_h^2}{m_*^2} \frac{4\pi^2}{3y_t^2} \approx \left(\frac{450 \text{ GeV}}{m_*}\right)^2 \lesssim \mathcal{O}(0.1)
$$

Bound from direct searches for top partners: $m_* \gtrsim 1.5$ TeV

Need $a_h \lesssim 0.1$ to accommodate the observed m_h

Matsedonskyi Panico & Wulzer 2015 CMS 229.07327, ATLAS 2210.15413

Although bound on vector resonances $m_\rho \gtrsim 4.5$ TeV suggests $a_h \lesssim \mathcal{O}(0.01)$, unless top partners lighter

▶ Higgs precision measurements, requires
$$
\left(\frac{v}{f}\right)^2 \lesssim 0.1
$$

Need $a_h/b_h \lesssim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$ to accommodate the current precision, no more tuning needed

Realization of EWBG with spontaneous CPV in Composite Higgs

- A strongly coupled sector with $SO(6)$ symmetry broken spontaneously to $SO(5)$
- 5 Goldstones : H and η
- Possible two-step PT
- CPV phase by the coupling to top

 $i\;b\;y_t$ η $\frac{d}{f}$ $\bar{t}_L H t_R$ $\delta_{\rm CP} \sim b \frac{\Delta \eta}{f}$

Gripaios Pomarol Riva & Serra 2009

Espinosa Gripaios Konstandin & Riva 2012

De Curtis, Delle Rose & Panico 2019

Estimating the parameters of the potential

• Terms involving h only:

$$
\frac{3y_t^2}{16\pi^2}g_*^2f^4\left(a_h\left(\frac{h}{f}\right)^2 + \frac{b_h}{2}\left(\frac{h}{f}\right)^4\right), \qquad a_h, b_h = O(1)
$$

• The little hierarchy:

 \triangleright Need $a_h \leq \mathcal{O}(0.1)$ to accommodate m_h

 \triangleright Need $a_h/b_h \lesssim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$ to accommodate Higgs precision

measurements, requiring
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Estimating the parameters of the potential

SO(4

Terms involving η

• $SO(6) \supset SO(4) \times SO(2)_\eta$

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 shifts under $SO(2)_{\eta}$

• Mixing of the elementary fermions can be chosen to respect $SO(2)_n$

or break it by an arbitrarily small amount ($\delta_{\eta} \ll 1$)

• Parameterize the suppression of $U(1)_n$ symmetry breaking by $\delta_n < 1$:

$$
\frac{3y_t^2}{16\pi^2}g_*^2f^2\delta_\eta\left(a_\eta\left(\frac{\eta}{f}\right)^2+\frac{b_\eta}{2}\left(\frac{\eta}{f}\right)^4+b_{h\eta}\left(\frac{h}{f}\right)^2\left(\frac{\eta}{f}\right)^2\right),\qquad a_\eta, b_\eta, b_{h\eta}=\mathcal{O}(1)
$$

 $SO(2)_{\eta}$

• η can be naturally as light or lighter than the Higgs for $\delta_{\eta} \ll 1$

Gripaios Pomarol Riva & Serra 2009

Thermal history: big picture

- The strongly coupled sector confines/ develops a mass gap at $T \sim m_*$
- Below m_{*} the PNGBs and the SM particles dominate the dynamics
- At some T_s , η gets a VEV
- At T_c , EWSB vacuum becomes preferable and the EWPT begins
- EWPT completes at T_n by nucleation of the bubbles

Baryon asymmetry generated at the bubble walls

• Rate of sphalerons suppressed inside the bubbles, baryon number freezes out

EW Phase transition and EW baryogenesis

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 $\langle h \rangle$

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V_{\text{Sph}} \propto e^{-\frac{E_{SP}h}{T}} E_{\text{Sph}} \sim \frac{2g(h)}{a_w}
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Problem of double-tuning

• Necessary condition to achieve a two-step PT:

 $c_{\eta} > 0 \rightarrow \mu_{\eta}^2 < 0$

• Stability of EWSB vacuum at T=0:

 $m_{\eta}^2 = \mu_{\eta}^2 + \lambda_{h\eta} v^2 > 0$

• Need $\lambda_{h\eta}$ big enough $\qquad \left| b_{h\eta} \right| \left(\frac{\nu}{\epsilon} \right)$ \int @ $\geq |a_{\eta}|$

$$
|a_\eta/b_{h\eta}|\lesssim \left(\frac{v}{f}\right)^2\lesssim \mathcal{O}(0.1)
$$

$$
V(h,\eta) = \frac{1}{2}\mu_h^2 h^2 + \frac{1}{2}\mu_\eta^2 \eta^2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda_h h^4 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda_\eta \eta^4 + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_{h\eta} h^2 \eta^2
$$

+ $\frac{1}{2}c_h T^2 h^2 + \frac{1}{2}c_\eta T^2 \eta^2$

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> $|a_{\eta}/b_{h\eta}| \lesssim \left(\frac{v}{f}\right)$ @ $\lesssim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$

A second tuning in the realizations so far in the literature

- Is there a more natural realization?
- \checkmark Can be solved if there a natural way to generate quartic couplings, but with suppressed mass terms

Quartic couplings without (with suppressed)mass terms?

Two solutions:

(1) There are spurions that (at leading order) give rise to quartic couplings only

Mass terms arise at higher orders in the spurion(s)

(2) A new parameter: large charge (or large representations)

Explicit symmetry breaking by a large charge spurion enhances the higher order terms

Quartic couplings without mass terms

- Is there a spurion that gives rise to only quartic couplings and vanishing mass terms?
- Yes, there is a unique totally symmetric traceless rank 4- tensor breaking SO(5) to $SO(4)$:

$$
T_{IJKL} = \left(\delta_{IJ}^{(4)}\delta_{KL}^{(4)} + \text{perms.}\right) - 6\left(\delta_{IJ}^{(4)}\delta_{K5}\delta_{L5} + \text{perms.}\right) + 8\,\delta_{I5}\delta_{J5}\delta_{K5}\delta_{L5}
$$

• Gives *opposite sign* contributions for λ_n and λ_{hn} :

 $\Delta V \propto (h^4 - 8 h^2 \eta^2 + 12 \eta^4)$

• Relative sign dictated by traceless condition

$$
\Delta V \propto T_{IJKL} \Sigma_I \Sigma_J \Sigma_K \Sigma_L.
$$

$$
\Sigma \equiv U[\pi]\langle \Phi \rangle = \left(h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4, \eta, \sqrt{f^2 - \sum_i h_i^2 - \eta^2}\right)^T
$$

A larger coset: SO(7)/SO(6)

- Another extra singlet PNGB (ρ) , which can be naturally heavier and decoupled from EWPT
- Similar spurion can give positive λ_{η} , $\lambda_{h\eta}$ and λ_{h} , negative sign appearing only in couplings of ρ

$$
\Delta V = \frac{\kappa}{4} \left((h^2 + \eta^2)^2 - 14(h^2 + \eta^2) \rho^2 + \frac{35}{3} \rho^4 \right)
$$

• Large ρ mass from the top coupling contributions can lead to $\langle \rho \rangle = 0$

Contribution to the mass term

- Considering only κ , no mass terms generated
- As a consequences of symmetry, the quadratically divergent contributions cancel
- A finite IR contribution, as m_ρ gets its mass from other spurions $\Delta\mu_\eta^2 \sim \frac{14\kappa}{16\pi^2} m_\rho^2 \ln\frac{m_*}{m_\rho}$ (top contribution)

• Enough suppression to be smaller than the contribution from top

The potential

- Top embeddings: t_R in the 7 and Q_L in the 27 (two-index symmetric traceless irrep)
- Q_L embedding breaks η shift symmetry by a small amount (δ_n)

$$
V_t = c \frac{3y_t^2}{16\pi^2} g_*^2 \left(\epsilon f^2 h^2 + h^4 + f^2 \rho^2 + 2 \delta_\eta f^2 \eta^2 + 2 \delta_\eta \eta^2 h^2 + \rho^2 h^2 \right)
$$

- t_R embedding such that it only breaks the shift symmetry associated with ρ (no $\Delta V_t = \tilde{c} \frac{3 g_*^2}{16 \pi^2} m_*^2 \rho^2$ contribution to H and η potentials)
- Additional contribution by the new spurion:

$$
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• Top induced potential:

From
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- Contribution by the new spurion: $\Delta V = \frac{\kappa}{4}$ $\overline{4}$ $(h^2 + \eta^2)^2 - 14(h^2 + \eta^2)\rho^2 + \frac{35}{3}\rho^4$
- The leading thermal correction is captured by a thermal masses:

$$
\Delta V_t(h,\eta) = \frac{1}{2} c_h T^2 h^2 + \frac{1}{2} c_\eta T^2 \eta^2
$$

$$
c_h = \frac{1}{48} (9g^2 + 3g'^2 + 12y_t^2 + 24\lambda_h + 2\lambda_{h\eta})
$$

$$
c_\eta = \frac{1}{12} (4\lambda_{h\eta} + \lambda_\eta)
$$

Parameter space

- Potential terms involving h and η contain 5 parameters
- fixing observed m_h and , v and setting

 $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{V}}$ \overline{f} \overline{c} $= 0.1$, leaves only 2 parameters

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A new parameter in power counting: a toy model

$$
V(\Phi) = g^2 (|\Phi|^2 - f^2)^2 + \epsilon \frac{g^2}{f^{N-4}} (\Phi^{\mathbf{n}} + {\Phi^*}^{\mathbf{n}})
$$
 (\epsilon \ll 1)

• Potential for the PNGB:

$$
V(\pi) = 2 \epsilon g^2 f^2 \cos \left(n \frac{\pi}{f} \right)
$$

= $V(0) + \epsilon n^2 g^2 f^2 \left(-\pi^2 + \frac{n^2}{12 f^2} \pi^4 + \cdots \right)$

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The non-abelian version: Gegenbauer polynomials

$$
\Phi = (\Phi_1, \Phi_2, ..., \Phi_N)^T
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$$
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$$
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$$

= const + a' \epsilon n^2 g^2 f^4 \left(-\sin^2 \frac{\Pi}{f} + \frac{(n+6)(n-2)}{28 f^2} \sin^4 \frac{\Pi}{f} + \cdots \right)

A more natural EWBG- Gegenbauer contribution

• Assume new source of explicit breaking with a spurion transforming

in a higher representation of SO(6)

 $V(h, \eta) = V_t(h, \eta) + V_{\rm G}(h, \eta)$

$$
V_G(h,\eta) = \epsilon_G g_*^2 f^2 G_n^2 \left(\sqrt{1 - (h/f)^2 - (\eta/f)^2} \right)
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$$

• V_G gives parametrically enhanced λ_{hn} :

$$
\frac{\lambda_{h\eta}}{\mu_{\eta}^2} \propto n^2/f^2
$$

Finite temperature corrections

- The corrections controlled by ϵ_G are restricted to have the
	- same form by symmetry

Koutroulis, McCullough, Merchand Pokorskia & Sakurai 2023

$$
V_G(h, \eta, T) = \left(1 - \left(\frac{T}{T_F}\right)^2\right) \epsilon_G g_*^2 f^2 G_n^2 \left(\sqrt{1 - (h/f)^2 - (\eta/f)^2}\right) \qquad T \ll T_F
$$

$$
T_F \sim 5f/n
$$

• The leading effect of other couplings is to provide a thermal mass

$$
\Delta V_t(h,\eta) = \frac{1}{2} c_h T^2 h^2 + \frac{1}{2} c_\eta T^2 \eta^2
$$
 $c_h > c_\eta$

The more natural regime: Gegenbauer co-dominance

• Top induced potential:

Top embeddings: t_R mixing with the singlet and Q_L with the 14 (two-index symmetric traceless irrep)

From Q_L mixing:

$$
V_t(h,\eta) = c \frac{3y_t^2}{16 \pi^2} g_*^2 (\epsilon f^2 h^2 + h^4 + 2\delta_\eta f^2 \eta^2 + 2\delta_\eta h^2 \eta^2)
$$

• Contribution of the new spurion:

$$
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$$

• Fixing observed m_h and , v and setting $\left(\frac{v}{f}\right)^2 = 0.1$, and choosing n

leaves only 2 more parameters

Parameter space

- Only the usual tuning needed for the Higgs mass
- Thermal history:

A first order phase transition from $\langle \eta \rangle \neq 0$ to $\langle h \rangle \neq 0$

The transition completes via bubble nucleation

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Large charge, low cutoff

• Perturbative unitarity constraints for processes involving large number of particle

require lower cutoff of the EFT as n increases

• For a toy model

$$
V(\varphi) = -\lambda \frac{f^4}{n^4} \cos\left(\frac{n\varphi}{f}\right)
$$

By within the EFT:
$$
E \le \frac{4\pi f}{\sqrt{27}n} \log^{3/2} \left[\frac{8\pi}{\lambda} \left(\frac{2}{3} \log(8\pi/\lambda)\right)^3\right]
$$

Change & Luty 2019 Falkowski & Rattazzi 2019 Craig, Garcia Garcia & Kribs 2019 ME, Hook, Kumar, Tsai 2021

 \triangleright Bound on the CM energy w

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 For $k_* \to k_*$ scattering with

$$
k_* \simeq \frac{1}{2} \log \left[\frac{8\pi}{\lambda} \left(\frac{2}{3} \log(8\pi/\lambda) \right)^3 \right]
$$

- UV physics should modify the amplitude before reaching such CM energy
- While not obvious how precisely this translates to a bound on the cutoff applying to general UV completions, the bound should lie between $(E/k)_{\text{max}} \lesssim \Lambda_{\text{max}} \lesssim E_{\text{max}}$

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$$
\frac{E_{\max}}{k_*} \lesssim \Lambda_{\max} \lesssim E_{\max}
$$

Summary and conclusions

- Electroweak baryogenesis an intriguing possibility for explaining the baryon asymmetry, potentially testable
- EDM measurements already strongly constrain the models; significant further improvements are expected
- Spontaneous CP violation at the EW PT provides a scenario to hide EWBG from EDMs
- Realization in Composite Higgs: SO(6)/SO(5) symmetry gives rise to H and a new SM singlet pseudoscalar
- First/simplest models realizing a 2-step PT have a double-tuning problem
- Two solutions for the new tuning problem:
	- \triangleright A new 4-index symmetric traceless spurion, giving rise to quartic couplings only, realization in SO(7)/SO(6)
	- \triangleright explicit symmetry breaking involves operators of higher representations/ large charge

Thank you!

Extra Slides

Analytic study: Gegenbauer dominance

- A simplifying regime: the SO(5)-symmetric part of the potential dominates
- Goldstones $\vec{\Pi} = (h1, h2, h3, h4, \eta)$ transform as 5 of SO(5)
- A VEV for $\vec{\Pi}$ breaks SO(5) spontaneously to SO(4)
- 4 Goldstones: at a generic VEV, EW symmetry broken, 3 eaten by the EW gauge bosons, one remains (θ)
- Dynamics of the PT more simply analyzed in terms of θ

Analytic study: Gegenbauer dominance

• The SO(5)-breaking part of the potential:

$$
\Delta V = \frac{1}{4} \lambda_{h,t} h^4 + \frac{1}{4} \left(\mu_{h,t}^2 - \mu_{\eta,t}^2 + (c_h - c_\eta) T^2 \right) (h^2 - \eta^2)
$$

• Parametrizing $h = v_c \cos\theta$, $\eta = v_c \sin \theta$:

$$
\Delta V(\theta, T) = -\frac{\lambda_{h,t}}{8} v_c^4 \left[\cos(4\theta) + 4 \alpha(T) \cos(2\theta) \right]
$$

$$
\alpha(T) = \frac{\mu_{h,t}^2 - \mu_{\eta,t}^2 + (c_h - c_\eta) T^2 + 2\lambda_{h,t} v_c^2}{-2 \lambda_{h,t} v_c^2}
$$

Prefers one phase over the other

Provides a barrier between two phases

• At T_c : $\alpha(T_c) = 0$,

 \triangleright Need $\lambda_{h,t}$ <0

Analytic study: Gegenbauer dominance

 $\Delta V(\theta, T) = -\frac{\lambda_{h,t}}{2}$ $\frac{h,t}{8}v_c^4$ [cos(4 θ) + 4 $\alpha(T)$ cos(2 θ)]

 \triangleright Need $\lambda_{h.t}$ <0

• Thermal history determined by $\alpha(T)$

$$
\alpha(T) = \frac{\mu_{h,t}^2 - \mu_{\eta,t}^2 + (c_h - c_\eta)T^2 + 2\lambda_{h,t} v_c^2}{-2\lambda_{h,t} v_c^2}
$$

Gegenbauer dominance- bubble nucleation

$$
\Delta V(\theta, T) = -\frac{\lambda_{h,t}}{8} v_c^4 \left[\cos(4\theta) + 4 \alpha(T) \cos(2\theta) \right]
$$

• Bubble nucleation rate:

$$
\Gamma \sim T^4 \exp\left(-\frac{S_3}{T}\right)
$$

• PT completes when $\Gamma \gtrsim H^4 \rightarrow$ S_3 \overline{T} $\approx 4 \ln$ $M_{\rm Pl}$ T_C \approx 140

Coleman 1977 Linde 1981

• Or by "zero-T (quantum)" bubbles when

 S_3

$$
S_4 \approx 4 \ln \left(\frac{M_{\rm Pl}}{T_C} \right) \approx 140
$$

 \sim

• Near T_c , thin wall bubbles

$$
S_3^{\rm thinwall}=\frac{2\pi\varphi}{3|\lambda_{4\theta}|^{1/2}\alpha^2}
$$

• Outside this regime:

$$
=\frac{4\pi\varphi}{|\lambda_{4\theta}|^{1/2}}\left[\frac{(1-\alpha^{2})^{5/2}(1+1.87\alpha^{2})}{6\alpha^{2}}+0.19(1+\alpha)^{1/2}\right]
$$

Gegenbauer dominance- bubble nucleation

- Depending on the parameters two cases possible
	- i. The barrier persists until $T = 0$
	- S_3/T reaches a minimum at a finite T, possible that PT does not complete
	- ii. The barrier disappears before $T = 0$

 $S₃/T$ approaches zero as barrier shrinks, PT always completes while the barrier is present

Parameter space: Gegenbauer-dominance

Partial compositeness

• Elementary quark fields mixing with operators of the strongly coupled sector:

$$
\lambda_{q_i} \, \overline{q}_i O^i_q + \lambda_{d_i} \, \overline{d}_i O^i_d + \lambda_{u_i} \, \overline{u}_i O^i_u
$$

Yukawa couplings: $\frac{i}{\mu} \sim \frac{\lambda_{q_i} \lambda_{u_i}}{2}$ $y_d^i \sim \frac{\lambda_{q_i} \lambda_{d_i}}{g_*}$ g_{*}

 \triangleright Small difference between operator dimensions generates large flavor hierarchies

- Composite operators O fall in representation of the symmetry group of the strong sector, (e.g of SO(5) in the minimal model)
- Embedding of the elementary quarks in these representation dictates the form of their coupling structure as well as their contribution to the Higgs potential/interactions

EW Precision and Flavor constraints

- Flavor constraint on generic CH with partial compositeness, very strong
- However imposing flavor (and CP) symmetries they can be relaxed: with $g_* \sim 3$,

 $f \sim 1.5$ TeV could be compatible with bounds

Glioti, Rattazzi, Ricci, Vecchi 2024

• EW precision:
$$
\hat{S} \sim \frac{m_W^2}{m_*^2} \sim 10^{-3} \left(\frac{2.5 \text{ TeV}}{m_*}\right)^2
$$
 Giudice, Grojean, Pomarol, Rattazzi 2008

• With custodial symmetry, $m_* \sim 2 - 3$ TeV compatible with current bounds

Phenomenology of η

- Coupling to top: $i\;b\;y_t$ η $\frac{d}{f}$ $\bar{t}_L H t_R$
- Cross section for production: $\sim \left(\frac{v}{\epsilon}\right)$ \overline{f} \overline{c} $\times\sigma_H$ with similar mass SM H
- Branching ratios depend on embeddings, in particular of b (if decay to $t\bar{t}$ not allowed)
- Current bound from $H \to \gamma \gamma$, at $\sim 1/4$ -1/3 of a SM-like Higgs with similar branching ratios

