

# Supersymmetry and Little Higgs

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# Solving electroweak little fine-tuning problem

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## Solutions

- 1 Finding justification for the cancellation between tree-level and one-loop contributions. Recent example: **Mirage Mediation**.
- 2 Engineering additional contributions to the Higgs quartic term or hiding the less-than-100-GeV-Higgs boson, while keeping superpartner masses close to 100 GeV. Well-known example: **NMSSM**
- 3 Cut off the large logarithm at lower scale  $\Lambda_{UV} \sim 1 - 100 \text{ TeV}$ , so that  $m_H^2 \sim M_{\text{susy}}^2/4\pi$ 
  - Low scale susy breaking mediation. Well-known example: **Gauge Mediation**
  - New symmetries emerging close to TeV scale. Recent example: **Little Susy**

## Introducing Little Susy

- MSSM is extended so as to incorporate an approximate global symmetry of the Higgs sector
- Higgs is a pseudo-Goldstone boson after spontaneous breaking of this global symmetry at the scale  $f \sim 1$  TeV, similarly as in Little Higgs

Birkedal, Chacko, Gaillard (*April 2004*)

Berezhiani, Chankowski, ~~⊗~~~~⊗~~, Pokorski (*September 2005*)

Roy, Schmaltz (*September 2005*)

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## Why not end of story?

Because such global symmetry is unstable against radiative corrections and does not survive in the presence of scales much larger than TeV.

In particular, gauge interactions break this global symmetry, therefore in realistic models gauge symmetry must be extended as well.

Note that in supersymmetry we try to be more ambitious. In non-susy little Higgs high scales "do not exist" and so the problem of radiative stability of the global symmetry "does not exist" either.




Twin Susy = discrete symmetry inducing approximate global symmetry

Twin Higgs (non-susy) idea [Chacko, Goh, Harnik \(June 2005\)](#)

- Mirror partner for the SM Higgs doublet:  $H \longleftrightarrow \tilde{H}$
- Exact discrete  $Z_2$  symmetry  $H \longleftrightarrow \tilde{H}$  of the action
- Quadratic terms  $M^2(|H|^2 + |\tilde{H}|^2)$  by  $Z_2$  have accidental  $SU(4)$  global symmetry
- When  $\tilde{H}$  acquires vev spontaneous breaking of this symmetry results in appearance of Goldstone bosons

Application in supersymmetry

- Twin Susy in a left-right symmetric model

$SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_X$ , , [Pokorski, Schmaltz \(April 2006\)](#)

- Twin Susy in a mirror world  $[SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y]^2$ , [Chang, Hall, Weiner \(April 2006\)](#)

- Left-Right symmetric gauge group  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_X$
- $Z_2$  interchanging left and right gauge bosons,  $A_\mu^L \longleftrightarrow A_\mu^R$
- MSSM left doublets related by  $Z_2$  to weak singlets, e.g.  
 $Q = (t, b) \leftrightarrow \tilde{Q} = (t^c, b^c)$
- Twin partners of the MSSM Higgs doublets  $(H_u)_{1/2} \leftrightarrow (\tilde{H}_u)_{-1/2}$ ,  
 $(H_d)_{-1/2} \leftrightarrow (\tilde{H}_d)_{1/2}$
- Singlet superfield  $N$  to produce  $Z_2$  (and  $SU(4)$ ) invariant interactions between twin Higgs sectors; tadpole superpotential to induce vevs of the  $\tilde{H}_u \tilde{H}_d$  pair

$$W = \lambda N(H_u H_d + \tilde{H}_u \tilde{H}_d - F^2)$$

**Result:** Approximate global symmetry of the Higgs potential spontaneously broken, with  $\langle \tilde{H}_u \rangle \sim \langle \tilde{H}_d \rangle \sim F$

7 Goldstone bosons, 3 eaten by breaking  $SU(2)_R \times U(1)_X \rightarrow U(1)$ . Four uneaten Goldstone bosons collected into  $H$  transform as a doublet under  $SU(2)_L \rightarrow$  can be identified with the SM Higgs doublet. Non-linear parametrization:

$$\begin{aligned} H_u &\rightarrow f \sin \beta \sin(|H|/f) & H_d &\rightarrow f \cos \beta \sin(|H|/F) \\ \tilde{H}_u &\rightarrow f \sin \beta \cos(|H|/f) & \tilde{H}_d &\rightarrow f \cos \beta \cos(|H|/F) \end{aligned}$$

Top sector

- Weak doublet  $Q = (t, b)$  and its twin  $\tilde{Q} = (\tilde{t}, \tilde{b})$
- New vectorlike pair of tops  $T, T^c$  of top quarks needed for renormalizable Yukawas

$$W = y H_u Q T^c + y \tilde{H}_u \tilde{Q} \tilde{T} + M \tilde{T} T^c$$

Top interactions break global  $SU(4)$  and generate Higgs potential at loop level. Log divergent term in one-loop potential

$$V_{CW} \sim y^2 M_{\text{susy}}^2 (|H_u|^2 + |\tilde{H}_u|^2) \log \Lambda_{UV} \rightarrow y^2 M_{\text{susy}}^2 f^2 \sin^2 \beta \log \Lambda_{UV}$$

does not contribute to mass parameter of pseudo-Goldstone  $H$

# Summary

- The MSSM suffers from the supersymmetric little hierarchy problem,
- **Little SUSY = SUSY + Little Higgs** leads to double protection of electroweak breaking, which removes the large logarithm and cures the fine-tuning problem
- Several realistic (though complicated) realizations so far.
- LHC signal: heavy (TeV scale) superparticles AND fermionic partners of the top quark