

COMPOSITE HIGGS MODELS AFTER RUN 2

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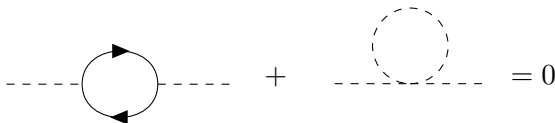
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- Hierarchy problem – loop corrections to the Higgs mass are quadratically divergent.
- Unless loops are naturally cut off, Higgs mass has a sensitive dependence on high energy scales.
- Extreme fine tuning between bare Higgs mass and loop contributions.

NATURAL LOOP CUTOFFS

- Supersymmetry offers one solution to the hierarchy problem.
- Superpartners cancel out quadratic divergences:



The diagram illustrates the cancellation of quadratic divergences in supersymmetry. It shows two Feynman diagrams for a self-energy correction to a scalar particle, represented by a horizontal dashed line. The first diagram is a fermion loop, shown as a solid circle with two arrows indicating a clockwise flow. The second diagram is a scalar loop, shown as a dashed circle. The two diagrams are separated by a plus sign, followed by an equals sign and a zero, indicating that their sum is zero.

$$\text{---} \circlearrowleft \text{---} + \text{---} \circlearrowright \text{---} = 0$$

- Generally speaking, the hierarchy problem points to TeV-scale new physics.

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- QCD condensate breaks chiral symmetry:

$$\langle \bar{q}_L q_R \rangle$$

→ pions are pseudo-Goldstone bosons, natural “little” hierarchy between m_π and Λ_{QCD} .

- Higgs is a composite boson, arising from strong dynamics that confines at a scale f .
- The scale f is natural – it is generated dynamically.
- The Higgs is a Nambu-Goldstone boson, to keep a natural hierarchy between m_H and f .

COMPARISON TO QCD

QCD	Composite Higgs
pNGBs: π_0, π_{\pm}	$H (+ \phi_i \dots)$
fermionic resonances: p, n	T, \tilde{T}
$\langle \pi \rangle = 0$	$\langle H \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{EWSB}$
no pion-fermion couplings	Yukawa terms: $\bar{\psi}_L H \psi_R$

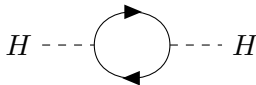
- SM fermions couple to the strong sector via mixing with composite partner fermions.

$$\mathcal{L}_{mix} \supset y_L f \bar{t}_L T_R + y_R f \bar{t}_R \tilde{T}_L + h.c.$$

$$|\tilde{t}\rangle = \cos \theta |t\rangle + \sin \theta |T\rangle$$

- *Partial compositeness* mechanism – allows one to generate large top Yukawa coupling, plus a natural quark mass hierarchy.

- Partner fermions must come in representations of the global symmetry \mathcal{G} .
- SM fermions do *not*.
- Partial compositeness breaks the symmetry explicitly.



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To mention but a few:

- $SO(5)/SO(4)$
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- $SU(4) \times SU(4)/SU(4)$
- $SO(6)/SO(4) \times SO(2)$
- $SO(8)/SO(7)$
- $SO(9)/SO(8)$

Given one coset there are still many options for the partner fermion representations.

- In $SO(5)/SO(4)$ alone the options **4, 5, 10, 14** have been studied.
- Correct choice would depend on UV completion.

- CCWZ formalism – toolkit for writing down pNGB effective theory
- Parameterise pNGBs with the matrix:

$$U = \exp(i\phi^a X^a / f)$$

where X^a are the broken generators and f is the breaking scale.

- Non-linear transformations

$$U \rightarrow g U h^{-1}(\phi^a, g).$$

- Can form an object Σ out of contractions of U which has *linear* transformations.

EFFECTIVE THEORY FOR THE PNGBs

Must construct an effective Lagrangian as a function of Σ and the fermion spurions, all of which are representations of the group \mathcal{G} .

- $SO(5)/SO(4)$

$$\Sigma = (0, 0, 0, \sin(h/f), \cos(h/f))^T$$

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$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cos(h/f) & -\sin(h/f) & 0 \\ -\cos(h/f) & 0 & 0 & \sin(h/f) \\ \sin(h/f) & 0 & 0 & \cos(h/f) \\ 0 & -\sin(h/f) & -\cos(h/f) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $SU(5)/SO(5)$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cos(h/f) & i \sin(h/f) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & i \sin(h/f) & \cos(h/f) \end{pmatrix}$$

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- κ -factors describe the deviation from a Standard Model cross-section:

$$\kappa_i^2 = \sigma_i / \sigma_i^{SM}$$

- For instance decays of the Higgs to gauge bosons are modified by a factor of κ_V^2 .
- In Composite Higgs κ_V is generically given by

$$\kappa_V = \sqrt{1 - \xi}.$$

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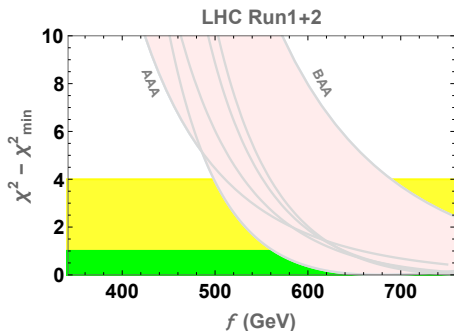
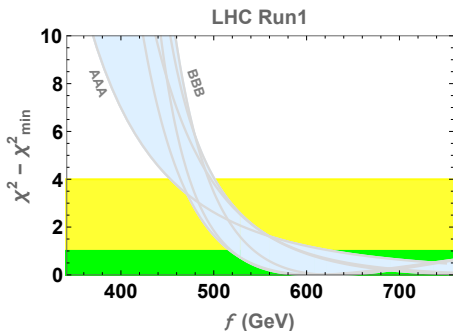
- T_L in **5** and T_R in **1**:

$$(\bar{\Psi}_L^5 \cdot \Sigma) \Psi_R^1 \rightarrow \bar{t}_L t_R \sin(h/f)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sin(h/f) &\rightarrow \kappa_F^A = \sqrt{1-\xi} \\ \sin(h/f) \cos(h/f) &\rightarrow \kappa_F^B = \frac{1-2\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi}}\end{aligned}$$

- These structures are very generic.
- Different fermion species can be embedded in different representations, meaning that that κ_F for each species may be different.

We broadly categorise models according to the couplings of the top, bottom, and tau: $(\kappa_t^{A,B}, \kappa_b^{A,B}, \kappa_\tau^{A,B})$.



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Thanks for listening!