

# A global approach to Composite Higgs models

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### Introduction and motivation - hierarchy problem

**Electroweak hierarchy problem:** quadratic sensitivity of Higgs boson to larger scales

- Fermions:
   when m→ 0, recover chiral symmetry.
- Gauge bosons:
   when m→ 0, recover gauge symmetry.

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**Electroweak hierarchy problem:** quadratic sensitivity of Higgs boson to larger scales

Higgs boson:
 no symmetry is recovered when m→ 0.

Contributions to its mass are quadratically proportional arbitrarily large scales

### Introduction and motivation - hierarchy problem

- SUSY: introduce symmetry that ties fermions to bosons
  - Protection to fermions is extended to bosons.
- Composite Higgs models (CHM): Higgs is a bound state and not sensitive to effects above compositeness scale.

We shall focus on Little Higgs models

### Higgs as a pseudo-Goldstone boson

**Goldstone theorem:** NGB's arise when a continuous symmetry is spontaneously broken

NGB's shift under the broken symmetry:

$$\theta \to \theta + \alpha$$

We need to explicitly break the symmetry

### Little Higgs models - collective symmetry breaking

$$\phi_1 = e^{i\pi_1/f} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$
 and  $\phi_2 = e^{i\pi_2/f} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$ 

Let us take  $SU(3)xSU(3) \rightarrow SU(2)xSU(2)$ :

#NGBs = 16-6=10

Next, we gauge **SU(3)**<sub>D</sub>

### **Little Higgs models - collective** symmetry breaking

$$\mathcal{L} \sim |g_1 A_{\mu} \phi_1|^2 + |g_2 A_{\mu} \phi_2|^2$$

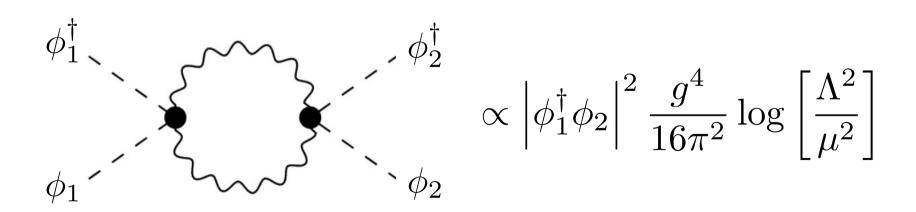
$$\phi_1 \to e^{i\alpha_1^a T^a} \phi_1, \phi_2 \to e^{i\alpha_2^a T^a} \phi_2$$
$$A_\mu \to e^{i\alpha_1^a T^a} A_\mu e^{-i\alpha_1^a T^a}$$

### The symmetry is broken to SU(3)<sub>D</sub> only when both couplings are non-zero

(5 eaten NGBs and 5 pseudo NGBs)

### **Little Higgs models - collective** symmetry breaking

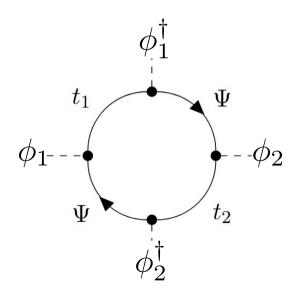
Contributions to pNGBs must involve both fields:



### Little Higgs models - collective symmetry in fermionic sector

By introducing SU(3) symmetry:  $|\Psi\equiv(t,b,T)|$ 

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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{yuk}} = \lambda_1 \phi_1^{\dagger} \Psi t_1^c + \lambda_2 \phi_2^{\dagger} \Psi t_2^c$$

$$-\phi_2 \propto \left|\phi_1^\dagger \phi_2 \right|^2 rac{\lambda^4}{16\pi^2} \log \left[rac{\Lambda^2}{\mu^2}
ight]$$

#### **Littlest Higgs model:**

 $\mathbf{SU(5)} o \mathbf{SO(5)}$ 

Unbroken

$$[SU(2) \times U(1)]^2$$

$$Q_1^a + Q_2^a$$

$$Q_2^a$$

$$Q_2^{\alpha}$$

$$Y_1 + Y_2$$

$$Y_1 - Y_2$$

$$SU(2) \times U(1)$$

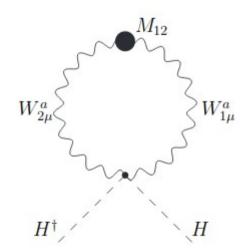
 $SU(2)_W$ 

**Heavy gauge** bosons

4 eaten goldstones

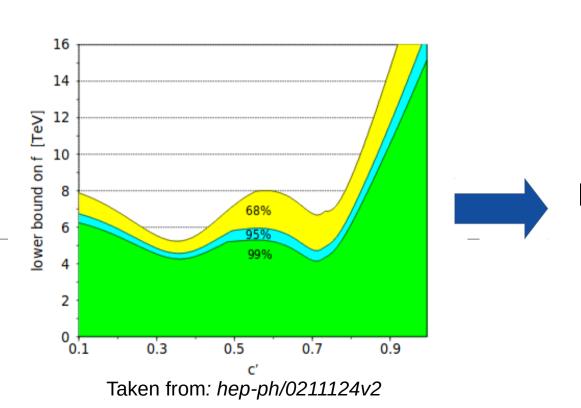
### Littlest Higgs model - collective symmetry

$$\frac{1}{4}H^{\dagger}H\left(g_{1}g_{2}W_{1}^{\mu a}W_{2\mu}^{a}\right) + g_{1}'g_{2}'B_{1}^{\mu}B_{2\mu}$$



Both couplings *always* present

#### **Littlest Higgs model - constraints**



Scale of new physics severely constrained by EWPO

# Littlest Higgs with T-parity - gauge sector

$$G_1 \stackrel{\mathrm{T}}{\longleftrightarrow} G_2 \qquad g_1 = g_2, g_1' = g_2'$$

#### **T-even**

$$W^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( W_1^1 + W_2^1 \right) \mp i \left( W_1^2 + W_2^2 \right) \right], \quad W^3 = \frac{W_1^3 + W_2^3}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad B = \frac{B_1 + B_2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

#### T-odd

$$W_H^{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \left( W_1^1 - W_2^1 \right) \mp i \left( W_1^2 - W_2^2 \right) \right], \quad W_H^3 = \frac{W_1^3 - W_2^3}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad B_H = \frac{B_1 - B_2}{\sqrt{2}}$$

 $A, Z, Z_H, A_H$ 

### | Littlest Higgs with T-parity - fermionic sector

$$\mathcal{Q}_1 = \left( egin{array}{c} q_1 \ U_{L1} \ 0 \end{array} 
ight), \quad \mathcal{Q}_2 = \left( egin{array}{c} 0 \ U_{L2} \ q_2 \end{array} 
ight)$$

The physical particles now read:

$$q_{\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (q_1 \mp q_2), \quad U_{L\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (U_{L1} \mp U_{L2}), \quad U_{R\pm} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (U_{R1} \mp U_{R2})$$

### **Littlest Higgs with T-parity -** collider phenomenology

- Several new pair produced heavy particles
  - Such as VLLs and VLQs
- Two top partners, T-even and T-odd
  - A mass hierarchy between them allows for new decays
- Missing energy signature from lightest T-odd particle
  - Dark matter candidate

### **Littlest Higgs with T-parity -** dark matter observables

Since  $A_H$  is a dark matter candidate, **astrophysical observables** can be used to constrain LHT, such as:

- Relic density  $\Omega h^2 = 0.12 \pm 0.0012$
- Direct detection
- Indirect detection gamma rays

### **Littlest Higgs with T-parity -** dark matter observables

- Consider regime in which new particles have similar mass
- This allows for coannihalation:

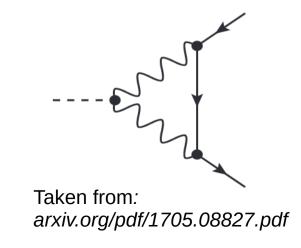
$$A_H A_H \to SMSM$$
  $A_H \ell_H \to SMSM$ 

Freedom to evade relic density constraints

### **Littlest Higgs with T-parity - lepton flavour violation**

- The observation of LFV would be a sign of new physics
  - LHT introduces LFV processes:

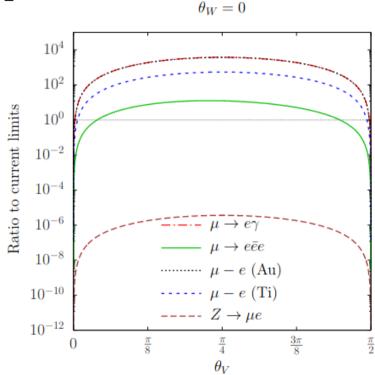
 The misalignment between heavy leptons and SM leptons is the source of LFV



### **Littlest Higgs with T-parity -** current results on LFV

- The LHT is still allowed by current constraints
   misaligment must be very small
- Future experiments are expected to push the LHT to limits of viability.

Flavour symmetries?



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