
**COMPOSITE (PNGB) HIGGS AND PARTIALLY COMPOSITE
(REST OF) SM (WITH A BROAD BRUSH)**

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Disclaimer

- mostly **review** (except neutrino mass seesaw at end!): for details, see other talks in this program and/or reviews by Contino, 2010 (pre-Higgs discovery); Panico, Wulzer, 2015
- **references** not complete (for more, see above reviews)
- Only **PNGB** Higgs **here**: for “comparison” of it with other ideas, see Markus Luty's talk at BSM lattice workshop at Livermore, 2015

Summary

Composite (PNGB) Higgs + (all) SM fermions and gauge bosons partially composite

- ◆ addresses Planck-weak hierarchy problem
- ◆ flavor hierarchy built-in
- ◆ fits data without (severe) tuning
- ◆ predicts signals at LHC

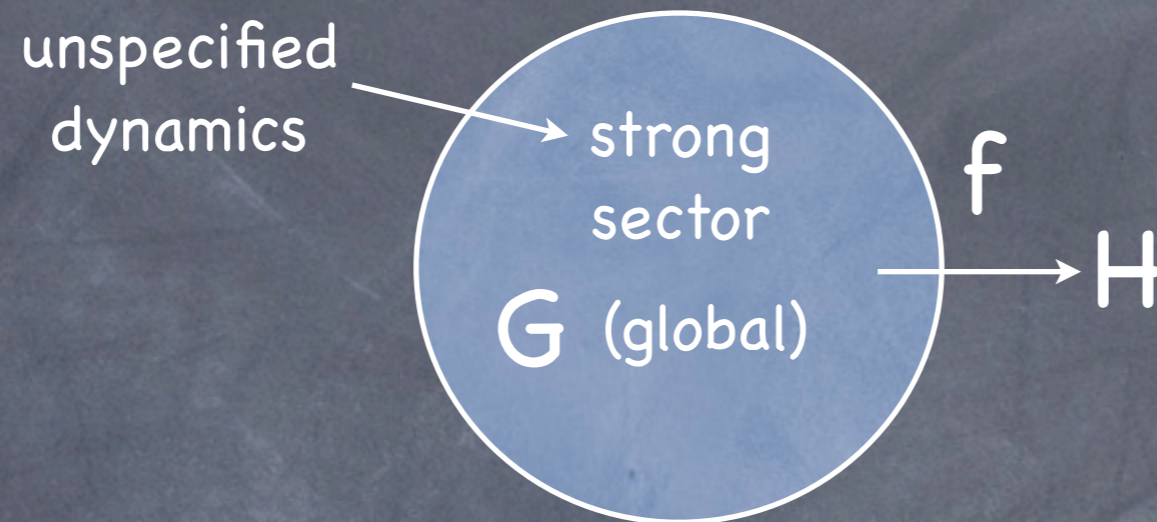
- ◆ from generalization (and scaling-up) of hadrons/
QCD

Plan

- ◆ start simple (a la **QCD**), build-up naturally to complete framework
- ◆ assume only basic EWSB (**W/Z** and **top** massive) “to begin with”
- ◆ ...only **later**, EW precision data first and then **Higgs**

VACUUM (MIS)ALIGNMENT IN STRONGLY-COUPLED THEORIES

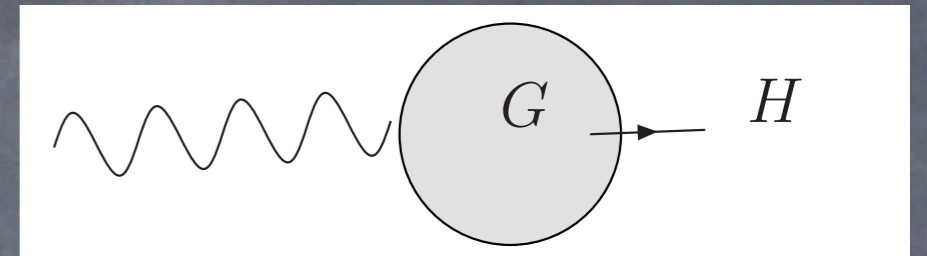
Dynamical (spontaneous) global symmetry breaking \Rightarrow NGBs



- dimensional transmutation for $f \ll M_{\text{Pl}}$
- NGBs (h) parametrize vacuum degeneracy (orientation of H inside G): $\theta \sim h/f$ (not fixed)
- E.g., (pure) QCD with massless up and down quarks ($f \sim 200 \text{ MeV}$): $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \rightarrow SU(2)_V$
h are (massless) π

...but in **general**, strong dynamics need **not** be QCD-like!

Weakly gauging subgroup
of global symmetry \Rightarrow
(light) PNGBs



- External, weak gauging of subgroup of G
- E.g., QED coupled to QCD: $U(1)_{\text{EM}} \subset SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$
- Direction of (weak) gauging relative to (strong) breaking?
- Dynamical answer: gauging explicitly breaks G , generates potential $V(h)$ for NGBs (making them pseudo): vacuum fixed by minimizing $V \Rightarrow$ (naturally) light, weakly-coupled PNGBs

Fate of (weakly-coupled) gauge boson

- E.g.: in QCD-QED, vectorial still unbroken (photon massless; $m_{\pi^\pm}^2 > 0$ from photon loop)
- Vector-like gauge theories (L and R fermions transforming identically) break axial global symmetries (Vafa-Witten...)
- no such "theorem" for general strong dynamics!!

Onto breaking (or not) EW symmetry ($f \sim \text{TeV}$)

- For QCD-like theories, two cases for embedding of EW inside G

$$EW \subset G_{\text{axial}}$$

(as in scaled-up 2-flavor QCD)

$$\Rightarrow v = f$$

light PNGB if non-minimal G (more flavors), but cannot call it "Higgs" (not part of "doublet"): no EW symmetry below $f \Rightarrow$ couplings to W/Z not SM-like (in general, deviate from SM by $\sim v^2/f^2$)

$$EW \subset G_{\text{vectorial}}$$

$$v = 0$$

due to

$$V(h) \propto + \sin^2(h/f)$$

(like photon)

(not desired here!)

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INTERMEDIATE SUMMARY (I)

Two **extremes** for v

Vacuum misalignment with **only** EW gauging



- $v = f$: light PNGB, but not SM-like...or,
- $v = 0$ (to be **discarded?!**)

...but, tale (of **two** extremes) is
incomplete (even **before** EW precision or
Higgs data)!

- another, **mandatory** source of explicit breaking: SM **fermion** masses (especially top quark)!
- contributes to PNCB potential, can it give $0 \leq v \leq f$? Yes!

Detour on fermion masses

Two possibilities

— [Extended technicolor (**ETC**)-like: SM fermion **bilinear** coupling to strong dynamics vs.

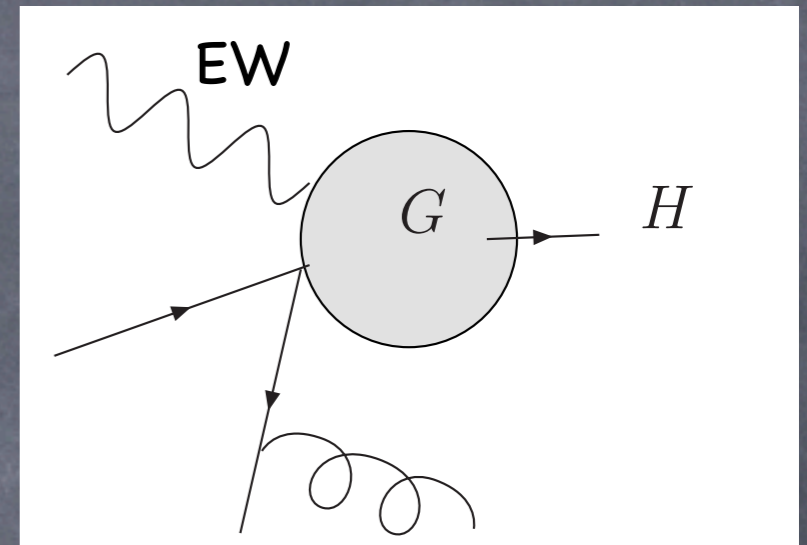
— [Partial compositeness (**PC**): **linear** coupling  SM fermion is **admixture** of external and composite fermion

ETC-like: not "unified" vs. PC is...

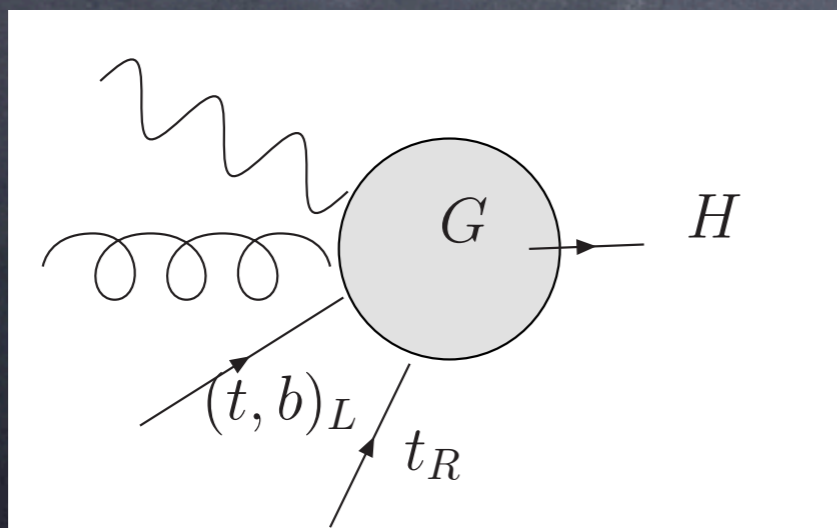
- ETC: $\psi_{\text{SM}}^2 \langle T^2 \rangle$; naively irrelevant, but walking (conformal) dynamics (large anomalous dimension, γ for T^2) can save it

only EW $\subset G$ \Rightarrow (Eichten, Lane...)

no spin-1/2 composites for SM
quarks to mix with (cf. W/Z)



- PC: SM fermions obtain mass by mixing with composites (like W/Z); also $SU(3)_c \subset G$ (like EW)



(D.B. Kaplan, 1991;
Contino, Pomarol,
2004 for AdS/CFT
version)

PC in QCD (coupled to QED)?!

$e^- (u u d)$ allowed by gauge symmetries $\Rightarrow e^+ - p$ mixing!


external fermion \swarrow

\nwarrow (composite) operator

- **Negligible** in IR, but not so with large γ for fermionic operator (**walking/conformal** dynamics needed for ETC-like as well!)

Ingredients

Fermionic operators:

- **singlet** of strong dynamics (**generic**, e.g., in QCD!)
- large γ (many e.g. of walking/conformal known)
- **charged** under **SM** gauge group, e.g., $U(1)_{EM}$ in QCD:
for PC, **all** SM fermions (quarks and leptons) couple linearly  *entire SM* $\subset G$
- e.g., $\psi_{SM} T^3$: each T being **3** of $SU(3)_{TC}$; *only 1 T is 3 of $SU(3)_{color}$...or $SU(2)_{TC}$, with “ T^3 ” being 2.2.3 (numerous possibilities)*

Anatomy of SM fermion mass

- Two different [$SU(2)_L$ doublet (D) and singlet (S)] linear couplings:

$$\lambda_D \psi_{SM}^D T^3 + \lambda_S \psi_{SM}^S T'^3$$

(Strictly speaking, SM is admixture!)

- RGE from UV cut-off (where generated) to TeV:
v interpolated by $T^3 T'^3 \Rightarrow m_{SM} \propto \lambda_D \lambda_S v$

[Equivalently, ψ_{SM} mix with (Dirac) composites, which feel EWSB]

...so far, PC as (unified) alternative to ETC-like: next, flavor is better with PC...

Flavor performance: **general** considerations

e.g., new gauge bosons

- ETC-like or PC couplings generated at Λ_F ...but also (in general):

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_F^2} \psi_{\text{SM}}^4 \quad (\text{flavor/CP-violating})$$

- Bound on above from ϵ_K : $\Lambda_F \gtrsim 10^5 \text{ TeV}$



(getting right SM fermion mass)

- Large γ for \mathcal{O} (either T^2 in ETC-like or T^3 in PC)



(small scaling dimension for \mathcal{O})

\mathcal{O}^2 (scalar, SM gauge singlet) *relevant* \rightarrow get back hierarchy problem?!

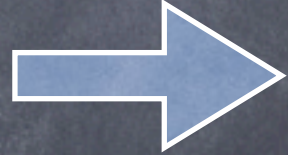
...yes for ETC-like, but not for PC!

(Minimal) **ETC**-like: tension between generating (right) fermion mass and suppressing flavor violation

- Start with $\frac{1}{\Lambda_F^2} \psi_{\text{SM}}^2 T^2$, but try $[T^2] = 3 + \gamma$

$$m_{\text{SM}} \sim v \left(\frac{m_\rho}{\Lambda_F} \right)^{2+\gamma}$$

SM singlet

- Bounds** on γ : want $[(\bar{T}T)^2] \geq 4$ (otherwise, new mass scale generated)...but in **large-N**, it is $(6 + 2\gamma)$ 

$$\gamma \geq -1 \Rightarrow m_{\text{SM}} \lesssim v \left(\frac{m_\rho}{\Lambda_F} \right) \text{ (still from irrelevant coupling!)}$$

- For** $\Lambda_F \gtrsim 10^5$ TeV (from ϵ_K), need $m_\rho \gtrsim 10^3$ TeV (severe tuning of v) even for $m_{b,c}$!

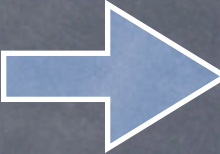
PC: flavor scale/violation can be decoupled!

- With $\frac{1}{\Lambda_F^2} \psi_{\text{SM}} T^3$, more "room" for γ to do its job: e.g., for **marginal** coupling, we need $[T^3] = 9/2 + \gamma = 5/2 \implies \gamma = -2$ (same as for ETC-like for *that* coupling to be marginal)
- ...but in **ETC**-like $(\bar{T}T)^2$ would then be **relevant** (like Higgs mass term: causes hierarchy problem, hence not allowed!)
- ...whereas in **PC**, $[\bar{T}^3 T^3] \sim 5 (> 4)$ is safe!
- In **PC**, with only **one** T^3 , **only** $\bar{T}^3 \not\propto T^3$ is allowed (by **chiral** symmetry) $\implies [T^3] \geq 3/2$ (free fermion limit!) for avoiding hierarchy problem: linear coupling can even be **relevant!** (not a worry, since reaches **new** fixed point)
- $\Lambda_F \gg 10^5$ TeV allowed in PC (assuming large γ till then), suppressing flavor violation, while keeping SM fermions masses

Summary of ETC-like vs. PC

- In ETC-like (bilinear coupling) theory: *two* ψ_{SM} "soak-up" dimension 3 $\Rightarrow [\bar{T}T]$ has to be (very) small (=1) for marginal coupling \Rightarrow hierarchy problem for $(\bar{T}T)^\dagger \bar{T}T$...vs...
in PC, 1 ψ_{SM} 's share is only 3/2 $\Rightarrow [T^3]$ can be larger (= 5/2), again for marginal coupling
- And, $(\bar{T}T)^\dagger \bar{T}T$ is always allowed (scalars not protected by chiral symmetry) vs. $\bar{T}^3 T^3$ is not Lorentz-invariant for fermionic operator!

Obtaining fermion mass hierarchy naturally with PC

- different T^3 , but same order γ 's for three generations 
hierarchical couplings $\frac{\lambda}{\Lambda_F^2} \psi_{\text{SM}} T^3$ in IR:

$$\lambda(\text{IR}) \sim \lambda(\text{UV}) \left(\frac{m_\rho}{\Lambda_F} \right)^\gamma$$

- ...even if no so in UV!
- With $m_{\text{SM}} \propto \lambda_D \lambda_S v$, we get flavor hierarchy (vs. in ETC-like theories, put in by hand in UV coupling)

UV-completions for PC
(large anomalous dimension for
fermionic operators)

- ◆ Lattice simulations underway

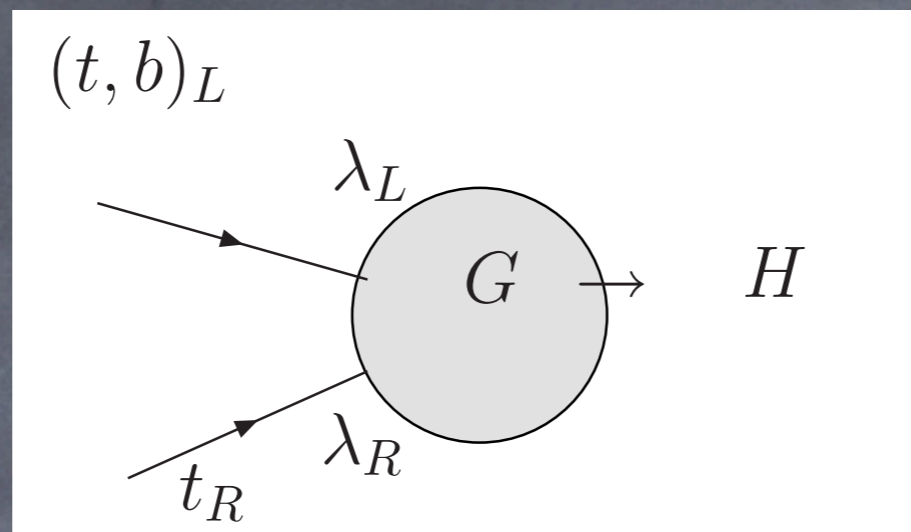
For marginal coupling, need $\gamma = -2$ for T^3 ,
but $\gamma = -1$ for $T_{\text{adjoint}} \sigma^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}$! (Wulzer)

- ◆ warped extra dimension: **partial** [KK to
warped-down 5D cut-off $\sim O(10)$ higher;
string theory (Kachru, Simic, Trivedi, 2009)
beyond that?!]

...**end** detour on fermion masses

— [Pick PC...and follow one's nose...

Two contributions from top quark



- top quark contribution to $V(h)$ **dominates**
- **Separate** (linear) couplings of t_R and $(t, b)_L$ (possibly to **different** representations of G)
- contributions with **different functional** forms, e.g., in $SO(5)/SO(4)$, with (both) top-operators being 4:

$$\beta \sin^2(h/f) + \alpha \cos(h/f)$$


(KA, Contino, Pomarol, 2004)

Range of v generic

- minimizing $V(h)$ gives (depending on parameters, e.g., couplings/masses entering coefficients β, α):

$$0 \leq v \leq f$$

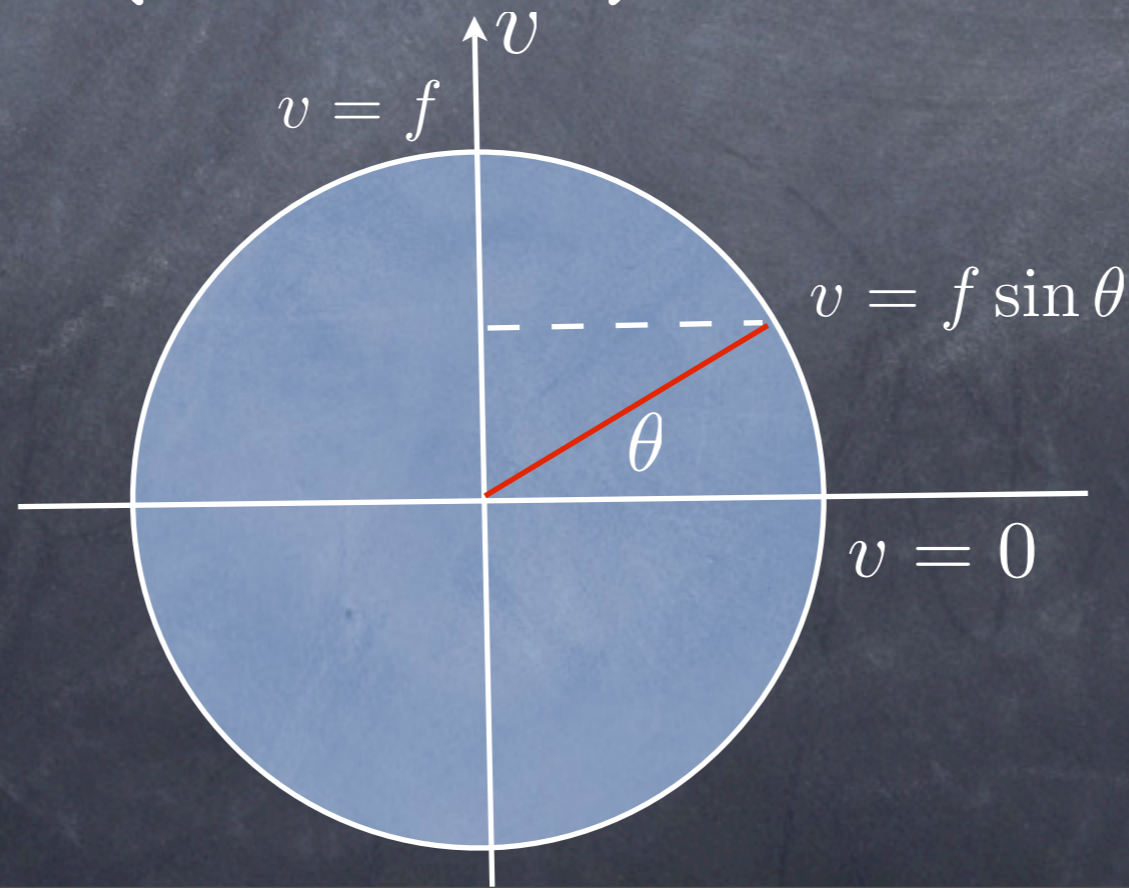
- ...vs. in **ETC**-like, (bilinear) coupling of top (only), dominates gauge: not much "room"

 v/f fixed ($v = f$ or $v = f/2$ etc.)

- Back to **PC**, naturally, still $v \lesssim f$ (e.g., $v \sim f/2$)

$v \ll f$ (fine-tuning): SM-like Higgs “emerges”!

- For $(v \ll) E \ll f$, we have (unbroken) EW symmetry \rightarrow (light) scalar must be **doublet** (its VEV breaks EW): viewed as “2-stage” breaking (at $\sim f$, $G \rightarrow H$, but EW intact) (Georgi, Kaplan...1984)
- ...but SM-like PNGB composite Higgs is **continuously** connected to $v = f$ (**technicolor**) limit





INTERMEDIATE
SUMMARY (II)

Vacuum alignment with PC

- heavy top dominates: $0 \leq v \leq f$
- features SM-like PNGB composite Higgs ($v \ll f$)
- ...only W/Z, top massive (before mid-1990's) used so far
- ...onto EW precision data (mid-1990's)

(Custodial isospin required from W/Z masses already)

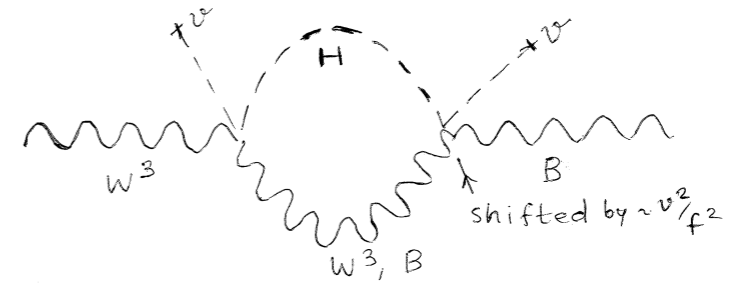
S parameter $[S = (16\pi)\Pi_{3Y}]$: 2 contributions

convention

- IR: **Higgs couplings** to W/Z shift by $\sim v^2/f^2$ 

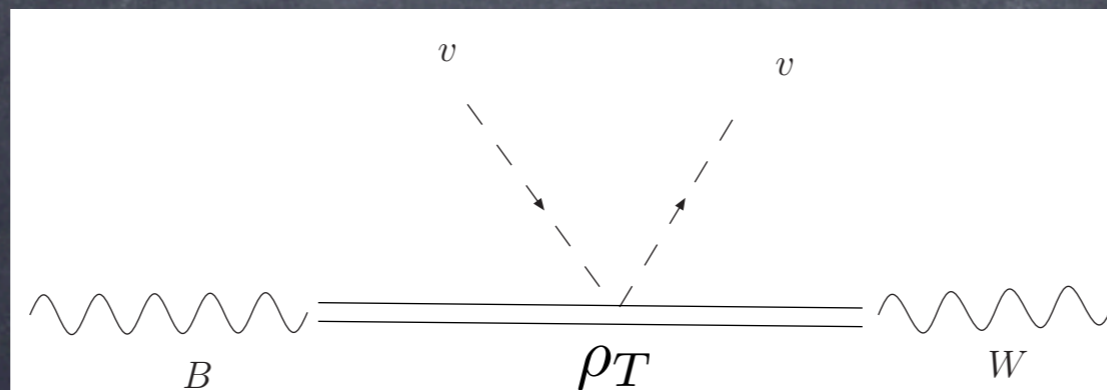
(Barbieri, Bellazzini, Rychkov, Varagnolo)

$$S \sim \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{v^2}{f^2} \log \left(\frac{m_\rho}{m_h} \right)$$



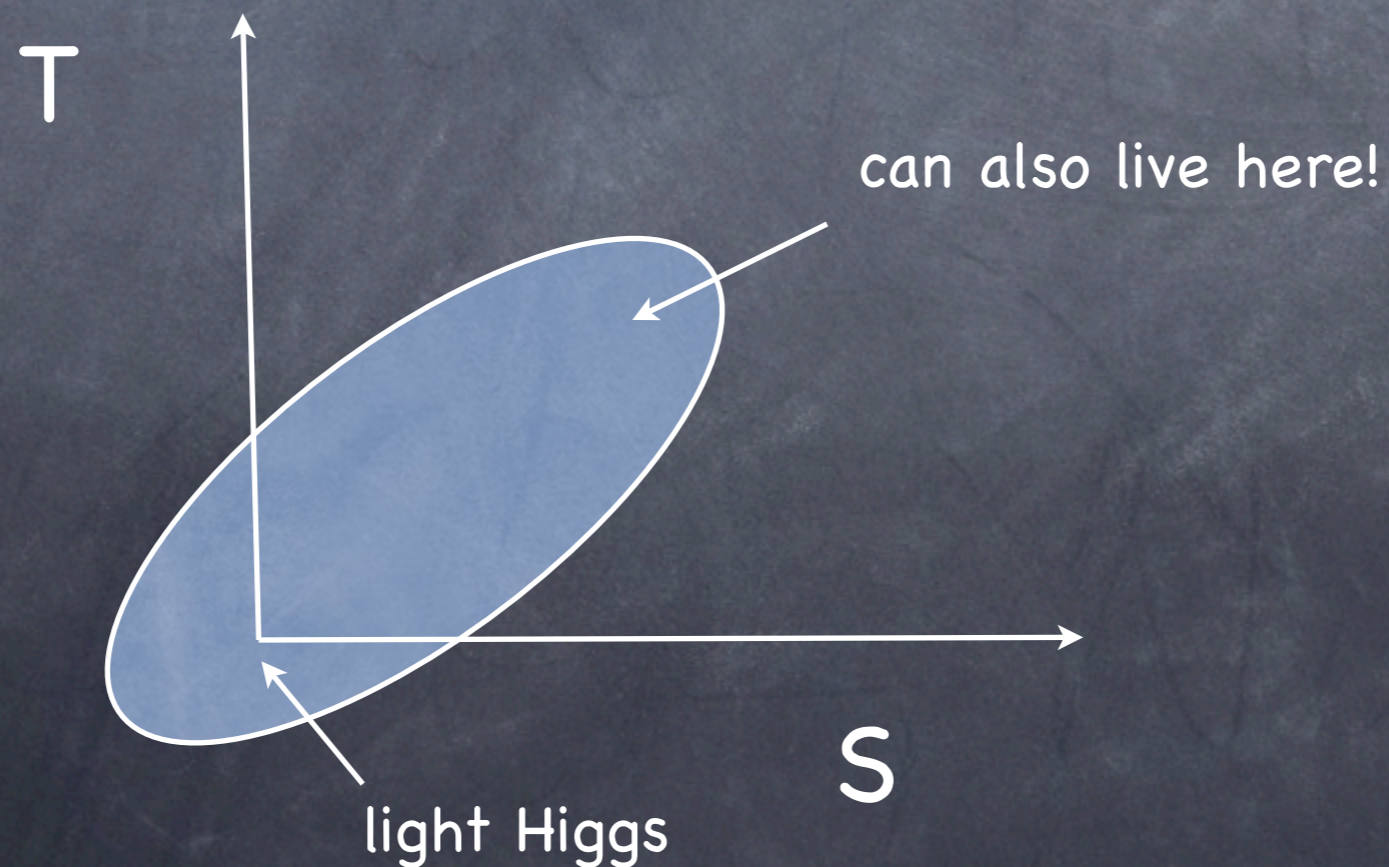
- UV: **techni-rho** exchange:

$$S \sim 16\pi \frac{v^2}{m_\rho^2} \sim \frac{N}{\pi} \frac{v^2}{f^2} \quad \left(\text{with } m_\rho \sim \frac{4\pi}{\sqrt{N}} f \right)$$



S parameter data: $v/f \sim 1/a$ few favored

- Depending on T parameter, $S \lesssim O(0.1)$
- Difficult to "rule out" $v = f$, but smaller v is safer!





INTERMEDIATE
SUMMARY (III)

SM-like composite Higgs “selected” pre-LHC!

- EW precision data prefers $v/f \lesssim 1/\text{a few}$



- PNgB is SM-like Higgs

Higgs **discovery** (2012)

• Does **not** (by itself) rule out $v \sim f$ (technicolor limit)

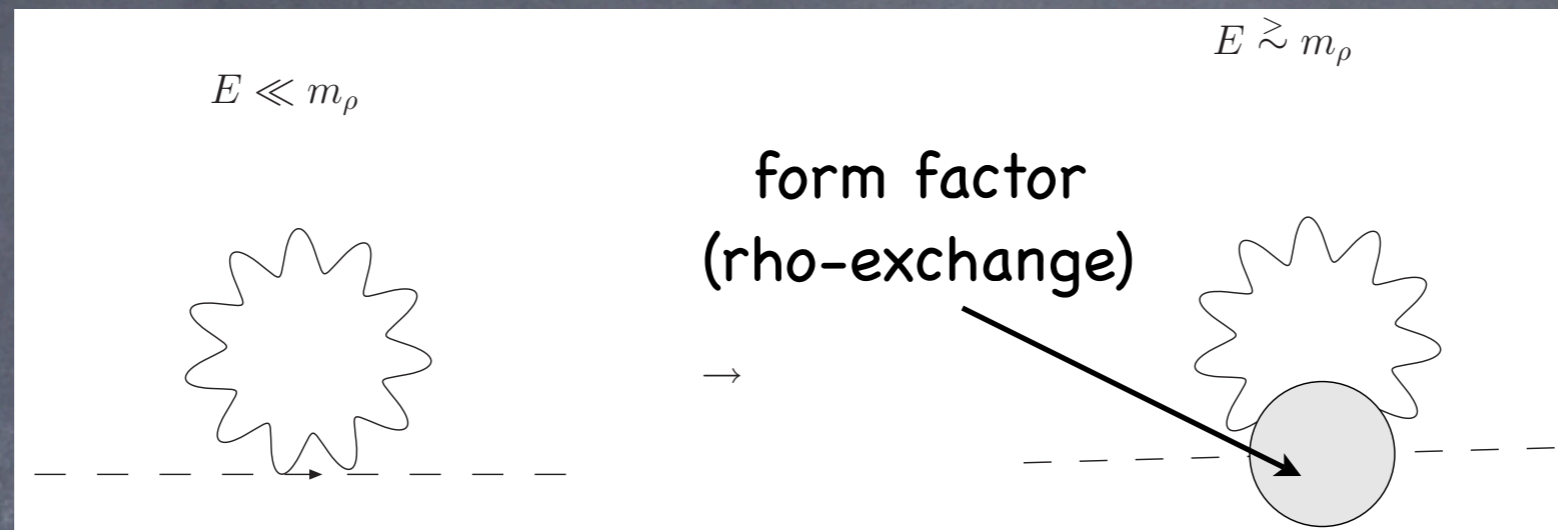
(due to presence of **light**, PNGBs even in this limit!)

Higgs couplings agree with SM (2013)

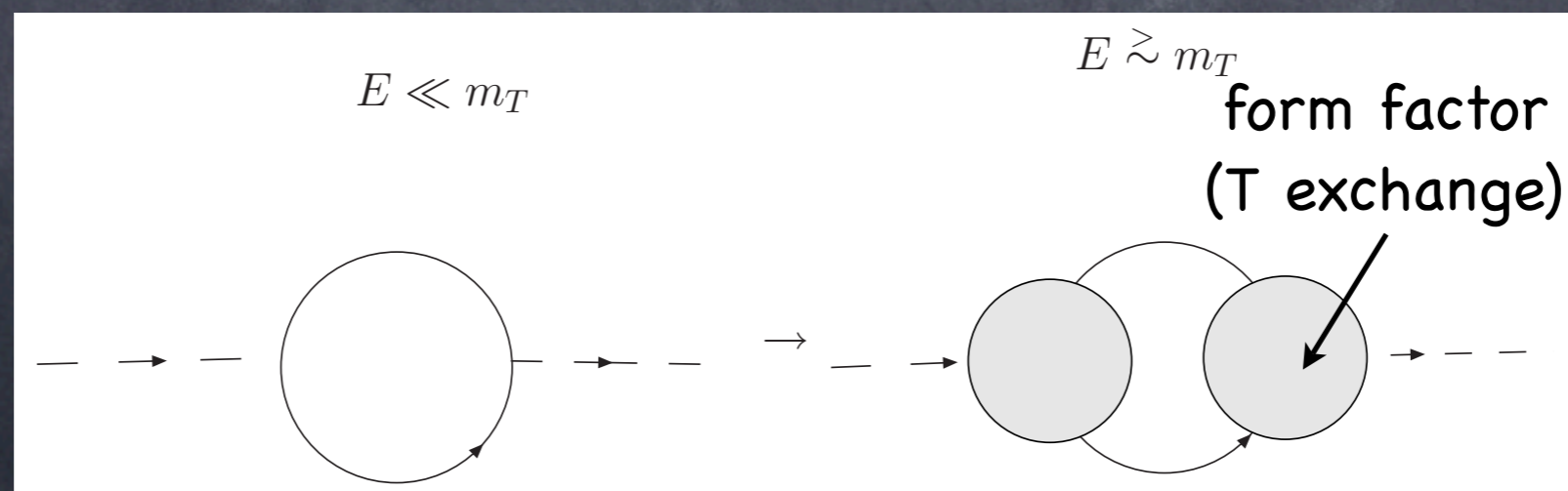
- Technicolor limit ($v \sim f$) *not* viable
[since expect $O(1)$ shifts in PNCB couplings to W/Z]
- Getting it light is **necessary**, but might **not** be **sufficient**!

HIGGS AND TOP-PARTNER
MASS; TUNING

Top-partner "built-in" (analog with rho-meson in QCD)!



- Top quark **mixing** with composites is dominant source of $V(h)$ \Rightarrow divergence in Higgs mass from top loop **cancelled** by **that** composite, T (aka "top-partner")



Higgs potential from top-partners:

- Neglect gauge loops; top-partner (mass m_T) effect:

$$V(h) = \frac{N_c y_t^2}{8\pi^2} m_T^2 \left(a h^2 + b \frac{h^4}{f^2} \right) \quad (\text{Panico, Redi, Tesi, Wulzer...})$$

like $m_{\pi^+}^2 - m_{\pi^-}^2 \sim \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} m_\rho^2$ due to \sin^2 or \cos etc. of (h/f)

- a, b depend on model, but naturally $\sim O(1)$

 naturally: $v \sim f$

Fine-tune mass term (a) to get $v \ll f$
choose top-partner mass to get Higgs mass

(no tuning of b here!)

• (Model-independent) tuning needed is $\sim v^2/f^2$
(independent of Higgs mass: even pre-LHC, based on EW
precision data)

• Top-partner mass given by observed Higgs
quartic:

$$0.15 = \frac{bN_c}{8\pi^2} \left(\frac{m_T}{f} \right)^2$$
$$\Rightarrow m_T = \frac{2f}{\sqrt{b}} \quad (\gtrsim f: \text{reasonable for composite!})$$

(Colored) Top-partner (direct) bound vs.
EWPT: **now** (top-partner is **weaker**)

- Compare bound on f from top-partner vs.
EWPT/Higgs data:

For $b = 1$ and $f \gtrsim 600$ GeV (EW and Higgs data),
we get $m_T \gtrsim 1.2$ TeV 


did **not expect** to find it in Run 1 of LHC!

(LHC run 1 bound on top-partner is about 800 GeV)

Top-partner (direct) bound vs. EWPT: **after**

HL-LHC (Matsedonskyi, Panico, Wulzer...)

- Pair-production bound 2 TeV (single might be higher)

 $f \gtrsim 1$ TeV (**stronger** than EW/Higgs data)

[EWPT will not change: as of now bit stronger than Higgs **couplings**; latter will **improve**, but (roughly) only reach as far as EWPT]

- Tweakings** (from $b = 1$):

$b = 1/2 \Rightarrow m_T \gtrsim 1.7$ TeV for $f \gtrsim 600$ GeV (from EW/Higgs data): still a *bit* weaker than direct HL-LHC bound!

$b = 2 \Rightarrow m_T \gtrsim 900$ GeV for $f \gtrsim 600$ GeV (from EW/Higgs data): still above run 1 reach, but *easily* superseded by Run 2!

Other possibilities (more structure)

- little Higgs (Arkani-Hamed, Cohen, Georgi, 2002...):
quartic (only) is larger: $v \ll f$ naturally
- twin Higgs (Chacko, Goh, Harnik, 2005...):
top-partners are not colored: avoid that bound on f
(but not EWPT/Higgs data)

NEUTRINO MASS: SEESAW, BUT "INVERSE"!

(KA, Hong, Vecchi, in preparation)

PC for (Dirac) neutrino mass

- Like for **charged** fermions, N (SM **singlet**) couples to \mathcal{O}_N (and lepton doublet, L to \mathcal{O}_L)



$$m_\nu^{\text{Dirac}} \propto \lambda_N \lambda_L v$$

(Super-)Large Majorana mass for (external) singlet \Rightarrow (super-) small Majorana mass terms for TeV-mass singlet

- Unlike charged fermions, $M_N N^2$ allowed \Rightarrow integrate out N (as usual)...but here, generates \mathcal{O}_N^2/M_N (no SM neutrino mass yet)!



- A **seesaw** for Majorana mass term ΔM_N for (\sim TeV Dirac mass) **composite** singlets (assume $\lambda_N \sim$ marginal coupling):

$$\Delta M_N \sim \frac{\text{TeV}^2}{M_N}$$

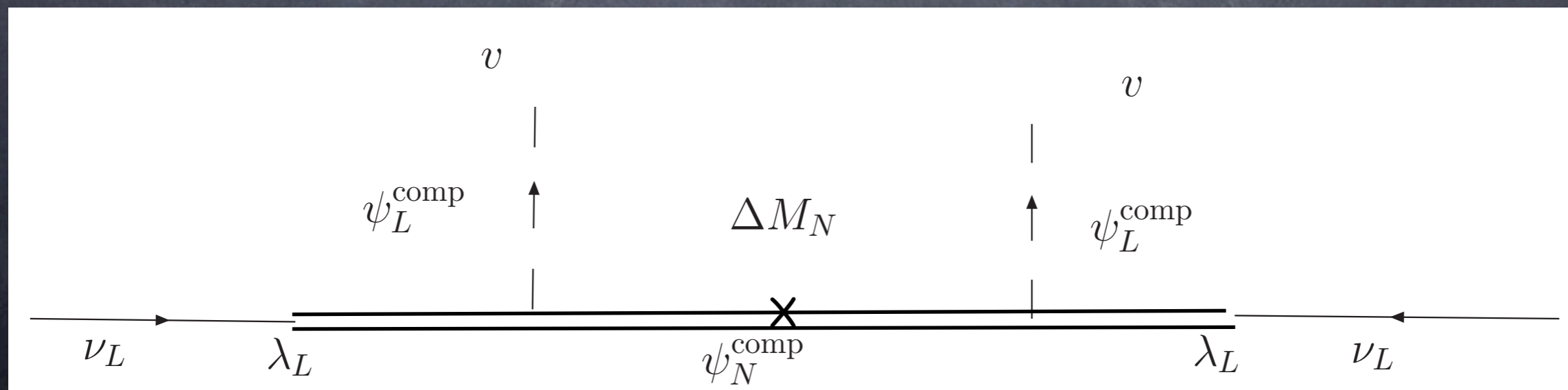
Exchange of TeV-mass composites

(super-)small Majorana mass for SM neutrino

- \sim TeV composite singlets have **unsuppressed** Yukawa couplings, but are pseudo-Dirac

$$m_\nu \sim (\lambda_L v)^2 \frac{\Delta M_N}{\text{TeV}^2}$$

$$\sim \frac{(\lambda_L v)^2}{M_N}$$



Nature of seesaw for SM neutrino mass

- formula mimics **high**-scale (type I) seesaw (Huber, Shafi, 2003... in warped extra dimension)
- ...but structure/underlying dynamics is subtle (\sim **TeV**-mass states crucial): like "inverse" (Mohapatra, Valle, 1986), that too **naturally** so!
- **leptogenesis**: from \sim **TeV**-mass singlets, not (super-)heavy N !
- **LHC/100 TeV** can (more directly than in high-scale seesaw) probe mechanism of generation of neutrino mass!

Conclusions


- **Adapting** QCD/hadrons to EW breaking can “deliver” composite SM-like PNGB Higgs
- **Top-quark** is **key** player: heavy + **partially composite**
 - ➔ can drive v/f around “circle”
[0 to small (fits EW/Higgs data) to 1 = technicolor]
 - ➔ Top-**partner** (composite) **naturally** in the game
- Top-partner’s search will probe compositeness scale **beyond** EW/Higgs data
- “Partially composite” **seesaw** for neutrino mass is **accessible!**

BACK-UP

Parity of PNCB composite Higgs: to be odd or even

- In general, parity of NGB from (purely) strong dynamics viewpoint might not be relevant for its **couplings to SM** (external) fields: **latter** need not respect parity (i.e., it's "accidental")
 - QCD-like theories with $EW \subset G_{\text{vectorial}} \Rightarrow$ NGB is odd
- Also, $v = 0$ with only gauging, but top coupling $\Rightarrow v \neq 0$ (small), (spontaneously) *breaking* parity!

More on flavor-violation in PC

- from exchange of (\sim TeV-mass desired!) **composites**, with **direct**, flavor violating couplings to SM fermions
- ...albeit small: **Yukawa** strength (just like to another composite, i.e., Higgs!) 

$f \gtrsim O(10)$ TeV (from $\mu \rightarrow e\gamma\dots$),
assuming anarchy of *composite* Yukawa couplings
(still much *weaker* than generic bound of 10^5 TeV)

- some flavor symmetry protection needed

Grand unified G (I) 

“prediction” of $\sin^2 \theta_W$

- Another bonus of (partially) composite top quark: running of SM gauge couplings modified above TeV...
- ...such that they unify (with precision similar to SUSY) close to (usual) GUT scale!

Grand unified G (II) 

Dark Matter from **proton stability!**

- SM **singlet GUT-partner** of **top** quark with $1/3$ baryon-number (**exotic** RH neutrino!) can be stable...
- ...and WIMP!