

# Conformal Extension of the Higgs Sector and the Little Hierarchy Problem

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## Outline

- Little hierarchy problem
- Higgs with a large anomalous dimension
- A phenomenological model
- EW precision test
- Conclusions

# Little hierarchy problem

## 1. Non-renormalizable operators in the EW theory

- EW  $(SU(2)_W \times U(1)_Y)$  gauge invariant dimension 6 operators :

B.Grinstein, M.B.Wise, P.L.B265 (1991)

$$\delta\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} = \frac{c_{WB}}{M^2} H^\dagger \tau^a H W_{\mu\nu}^a B_{\mu\nu} + \frac{c_H}{M^2} \left| H^\dagger D_\mu H \right|^2$$

Oblique corrections after EWSB by the Higgs VEV ( $\langle H \rangle = (v/\sqrt{2}, 0)$ )

$$\delta\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} \sim c_{WB} \frac{v^2}{4M^2} W_{\mu\nu}^3 B_{\mu\nu} - c_H \frac{v^4}{16M^2} \left( g W_\mu^3 - g' B_\mu \right)^2$$

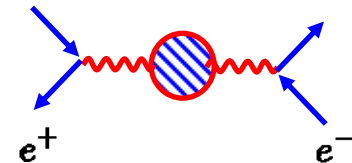
- S,T parameters and the precision measurement:

$$\alpha S = 4 \sin 2\theta_W c_{WB} (v^2/M^2) \quad S = 0.04 \pm 0.10$$

$$\alpha T = -c_H (v^2/M^2) \quad T = 0.12 \pm 0.10 \text{ (for } m_H = 115 \text{ GeV)}$$

⇒ Deviations from the renormalized trajectory are very small.

Generic oblique corrections  $(\Delta T, \Delta S) \Rightarrow M > 5 - 10 \text{ TeV}$



# Little hierarchy problem

## 2. Fine-tuning in the Higgs scalar mass

The Higgs scalar mass is relevant and leads to fine-tuning.

$$\mathcal{L} \sim m_H^2 |H|^2 \quad : \text{relevant}$$

- Quadratic divergence in the Higgs mass parameter  $m_H^2$

$$\delta m_H^2 \sim \frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} (-3y_t^2 + 3\lambda_4 + \dots) \Lambda^2 \quad (\Lambda : \text{cutoff scale})$$

Note: Top quark contribution is dominant.

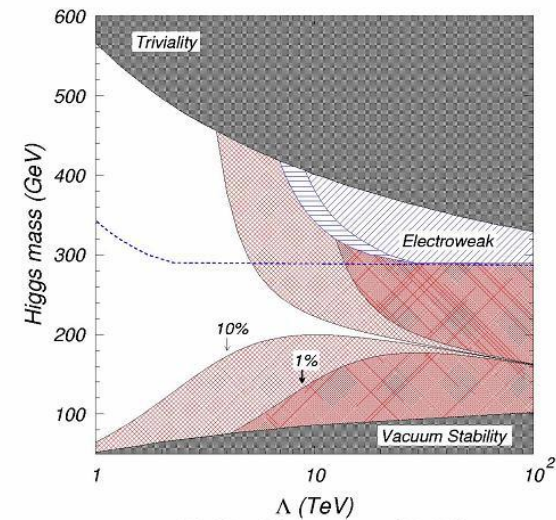
- EW precision test at LEP  $\Rightarrow$  light Higgs

$$115\text{GeV} < m_{h^0} < 184\text{GeV}$$

If there is no reason of fine-tuning,  $\delta m_H^2$  should be on the same order of  $m_h^2$  at most.

$$\Lambda \leq 1\text{TeV} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{LHC}$$

Tension between  $M$  and  $\Lambda$  : “Little hierarchy problem”



Kolda, Murayama (2000)

# Little hierarchy problem

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## 3. Theoretical possibilities above TeV scale

- Cancellation by global symmetries?

e.g. Supersymmetry ... **most postulated direction**

- “Supersymmetric little hierarchy problem”

$$m_{h0} \leq M_Z + (\text{SUSY breaking loop effects})$$

$\Rightarrow$  Fine-tuning of O(1)% is still required.

- Higgs as a fermion composite like superconductivity?

e.g. (Walking) Technicolor

Condensation of the Techni-fermions :  $\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle \sim \Lambda_{\text{EW}}^3 \Rightarrow \text{EWSB}$

- S-parameter :

$$\Delta S \sim N_f/\pi \dots \text{too large!}$$

- Top quark mass :

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{TC}}^2} \bar{\psi}\psi \bar{t}t \quad \Rightarrow \quad m_t \sim \left( \frac{\Lambda_{\text{EW}}}{\Lambda_{\text{TC}}} \right)^2 \Lambda_{\text{EW}} \text{ or } \left( \frac{\Lambda_{\text{EW}}}{\Lambda_{\text{TC}}} \right) \Lambda_{\text{EW}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \Lambda_{\text{TC}} \leq 10\text{TeV} \dots \text{too low for FCNC!}$$

# Higgs with a large anomalous dimension

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## 1. Suppression of the quadratic divergence

### Basic idea

- Take the Higgs scalar to be point-like at least near the TeV scale.
- Suppose that the Higgs acquires a large positive anomalous dimension above some TeV scale  $M$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\delta m_H^2 \sim * \Lambda^2 &\rightarrow * \left(\frac{\Lambda}{M}\right)^{-2\gamma_H} \Lambda^2 = * \left(\frac{\Lambda}{M}\right)^\epsilon M^2 \quad \epsilon = 2(1 - \gamma_H) \ll 1 \\ &\sim * \{1 + \epsilon \ln(\Lambda/M)\} M^2\end{aligned}$$

### Note :

- The power of divergence is reduced to  $\epsilon$  for any corrections.
- This is not by cancellation.

How can we realize such a large anomalous dimension?

⇒ Conformal Field Theories (CFTs)     $M$  : Mass scale of the "CFT"  $\sim$  TeV

# Higgs with a large anomalous dimension

## 2. Banks-Zaks fixed point

Banks, Zaks (1982)

$SU(N_c)$  gauge theory with  $N_f$  massless flavors

- 2 loop beta function for  $\alpha_g = g^2/(4\pi)^2$  :

$$\mu \frac{d\alpha_g}{d\mu} \simeq -2\alpha_g^2 \left( \frac{11}{3}N_c - \frac{2}{3}N_f \right) - 2\alpha_g^3 \left[ \frac{34}{3}N_c^2 - \left( 2C_2(R) + \frac{10}{3}N_c \right) N_f \right] + \dots$$

⇒ IR attractive fixed point

exists for  $(34/13)N_c < N_f < (11/2)N_c$  at 2 loop.

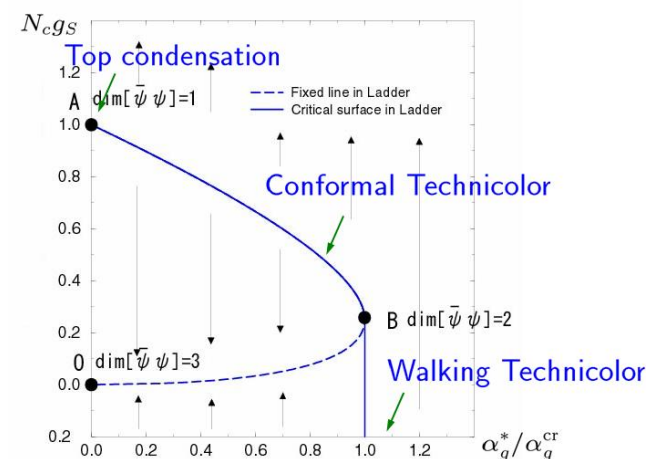
Note : the smaller edge is Not reliable, since the fixed point coupling is non-perturbative.

- The ladder Dyson-Schwinger eqn. :

The chiral symmetry is broken for

$$N_f \geq 4N_c \quad (\text{for a large } N_c, N_f),$$

⇒ No IR fixed point



Yamawaki, et.al. Appelquist et.al.

# Higgs with a large anomalous dimension

## 3. ERG with 4-fermi couplings

H.T. Tshuchiya, 2007

$SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R$  invariant 4-fermi interactions:  $(i, j = 1, \dots, N_f)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{4\text{fermi}} = & -\frac{2G_S}{\mu^2} \bar{\psi}_{Li} \psi_R^j \bar{\psi}_{Rj} \psi_L^i - \frac{G_V}{\mu^2} [\bar{\psi}_{Li} \gamma_\mu \psi_L^j \bar{\psi}_{Lj} \gamma^\mu \psi_L^i + (L \leftrightarrow R)] \\ & -\frac{2G_{V1}}{\mu^2} \bar{\psi}_{Li} \gamma_\mu \psi_L^i \bar{\psi}_{Rj} \gamma_\mu \psi_R^j - \frac{G_{V2}}{\mu^2} [(\bar{\psi}_{Li} \gamma_\mu \psi_L^i)^2 + (L \leftrightarrow R)] + \dots \end{aligned}$$

ERG in the large  $N_c, N_f$  leading:  $(g_S = G_S/4\pi^2, g_V = G_V/4\pi^2)$

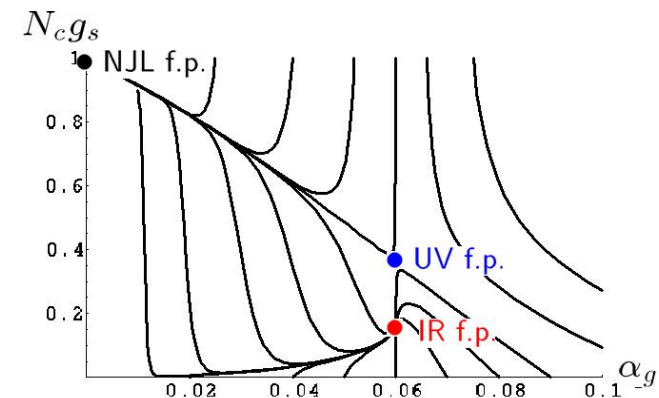
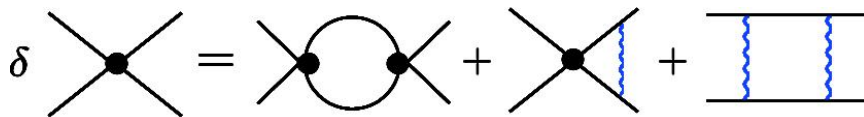
$$\mu \frac{dg_S}{d\mu} = 2g_S - 2N_c g_S^2 + 2N_f g_S g_V - 6N_c \alpha_g g_S - \frac{9}{2} N_c \alpha_g^2$$

$$\mu \frac{dg_V}{d\mu} = 2g_V + \frac{N_f}{4} g_S^2 + (N_c + N_f) g_V^2 - \frac{3}{4} N_c \alpha_g^2 \quad (\text{Landau gauge})$$

Ladder approximation : Aoki, H.T. et.al. (1997–2001)

$$\mu \frac{dg_S}{d\mu} = 2g_S - 2N_c \left( g_S + \frac{3C_2(N_c)}{N_c} \alpha_g \right)^2$$

$$\mu \frac{d\alpha_g}{d\mu} = -2b_0 \alpha_g^3 - 2b_1 \alpha_g^3$$



RG flows in the case of  $N_c = 3, N_f = 12$ .

# Higgs with a large anomalous dimension

## 4. IR fixed point with a non-trivial Yukawa coupling

Now let us add Yukawa couplings with a gauge singlet scalar  $\phi$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = - \sum_i \lambda_i \phi \bar{\psi}_i \psi_i$$

- The negative anomalous dimension  $\gamma_{\bar{\psi}\psi}$  makes the Yukawa coupling relevant.
- A new IR attractive fixed point with non-vanishing Yukawa couplings  $\lambda_i = \lambda^*$  appears.

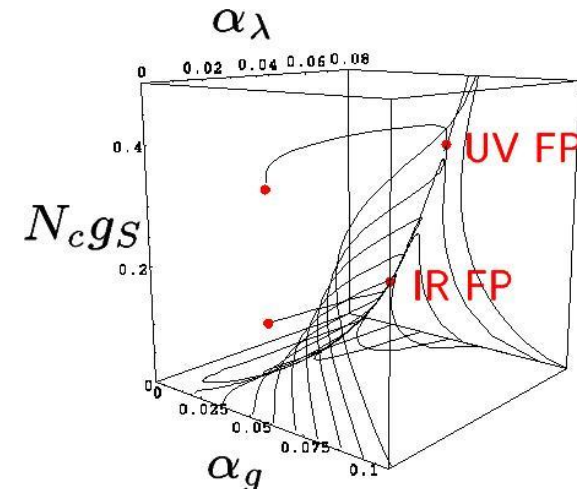
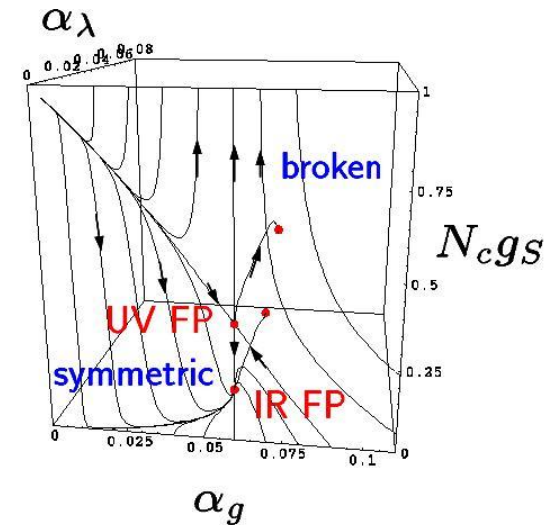
The NPRG eqns. :  $(\alpha_{\lambda i} = \lambda_i^2/(4\pi)^2)$

$$d\alpha_g/d\ln\mu = -2b_0\alpha_g^2 - 2b_1\alpha_g^3 + 2N_f\alpha_g^2\alpha_\lambda$$

$$d\alpha_{\lambda i}/d\ln\mu = 2\alpha_{\lambda i}(\gamma_\phi + \gamma_{\bar{\psi}\psi})$$

$$\gamma_\phi = 2N_c \sum_j \alpha_{\lambda j} + 3\alpha_{\lambda i}$$

$$\gamma_{\bar{\psi}\psi} = -6C_2(R)\alpha_g - 2N_c g_S$$





# Higgs with a large anomalous dimension

## 5. Anomalous dimensions at the IR fixed points

Effective 4-fermi couplings are significant for the anomalous dimensions.

$$\gamma_{\bar{\psi}\psi} = \Sigma \text{ (diagram with two horizontal lines and vertical wavy lines) } = \text{ (triangle diagram) } + \text{ (circle diagram) }$$

- The B-Z fixed point :

$$\gamma_{\bar{\psi}\psi}^* = -6C_2(N_c)\alpha_g^* - 2N_c g_S^* = -1 + \sqrt{\frac{1 - \alpha_g^*}{\alpha_g^{\text{cr}}}} \geq -1$$

- The IR fixed point with a non-trivial Yukawa coupling :

At the IR fixed point

$$\gamma_{\phi}^* \sim 2N_c N_f \alpha_{\lambda}^* = -\gamma_{\bar{\psi}\psi}^* \Rightarrow 0 < \gamma_{\phi}^* < 1$$

An explicit case:  $N_c = 3, N_f = 12$  seems to be interesting.

$$\alpha_g^* = 0.06 \text{ (2 loop)}, \quad \alpha_g^{\text{cr}} = 1/16 = 0.0625 \text{ (ladder)}$$

$$\gamma_{\phi}^* = -\gamma_{\bar{\psi}\psi}^* = 0.8 \Rightarrow \epsilon = 0.4, \quad \lambda^* = 2\pi/5 \sim 1.3$$

# Higgs with a large anomalous dimension

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## 6. Effects of the scalar anomalous dimension

- Scalar mass

ERG eqn for the dimensionless mass parameter  $\tilde{m}_\phi^2 = m_\phi^2/\mu^2$ :

$$\mu \frac{d\tilde{m}_\phi^2}{d\mu} = -\epsilon(\tilde{m}_\phi^2 - \tilde{m}_\phi^{*2}), \quad \tilde{m}_\phi^{*2} = 4N_c N_f \alpha_\lambda^* / \epsilon = 4 \text{ for } N_c = 3, N_f = 12$$

Scalar mass at a low energy scale  $M$ :

$$m_\phi^2(M) = \left[ \tilde{m}_\phi^{*2} + \left( \frac{\Lambda}{M} \right)^\epsilon (\tilde{m}_\phi^2(\Lambda) - \tilde{m}_\phi^{*2}) \right] M^2 \sim O(1 - 10) \times M^2$$

$$\text{Note : } (\Lambda/M)^\epsilon \sim 6.31 \text{ for } (\Lambda/M)^2 = 10^4 \\ \sim 2.51 \quad \quad \quad = 10^2$$

Although the scalar mass term is slightly relevant, the fine-tuning is remarkably ameliorated.

# Higgs with a large anomalous dimension

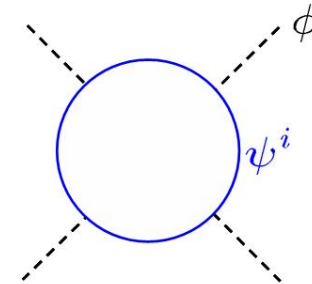
- The quartic coupling  $\lambda_{4\phi}$  ( $\tilde{\lambda}_{4\phi} = \lambda_{4\phi}/4\pi^2$ )

Note : The anomalous dimension makes scalar couplings highly irrelevant.

$$\mu \frac{d\tilde{\lambda}_{4\phi}}{d \ln \mu} = 4\gamma_\phi \tilde{\lambda}_{4\phi} - 8N_c N_f \alpha_\lambda^{*2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_{4\phi} \longrightarrow \lambda_{4\phi}^* = \lambda^{*2} \gg 1 \text{ in general}$$

If we regards  $\phi$  as the EW Higgs, then the Higgs mass must be near it's triviality bound. (Ca. 500GeV for  $M \sim 2$ .)

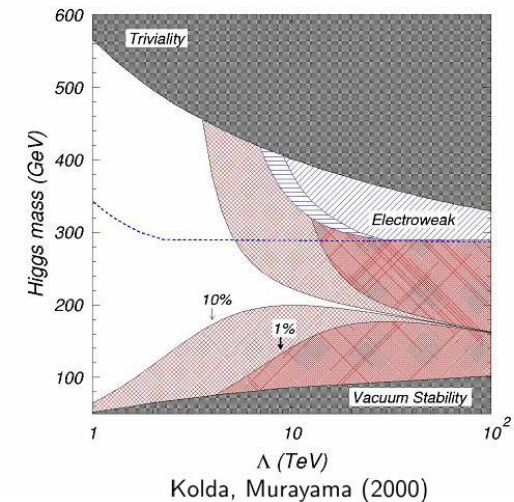


- Suppression for top Yukawa coupling!

$$\mu \frac{dy_t}{d\mu} \sim \gamma_\phi^* y_t + \dots, \Rightarrow y_t(M) \sim \left(\frac{M}{\Lambda}\right)^{\gamma_\phi^*} y_t(\Lambda)$$

The origin of top quark mass should be different from other masses.

(Why is top quark as heavy as the EW scale?)



# A phenomenological model

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## 1. Basic elements of the model

- Dynamical breaking of the conformal symmetry

**Gauge symmetry** :  $G_{\text{DSB}} \times SU(3)_{\text{CFT}} \times SU(3)'_C \times SU(2)_W \times U(1)_Y$

- $G_{\text{DSB}}$  interaction becomes strong at scale  $M \sim$  a few TeV.
- The conformal gauge sector decouples through the mass generation.
- Spontaneous symmetry breaking of  $SU(3)_{\text{CFT}} \times SU(3)'_C \rightarrow SU(3)_C$ .
- Strong dynamics does not break the EW symmetry.

- Generation of the top Yukawa coupling

- Top Yukawa coupling  $y_t$  is suppressed, so we neglect it.
- A large top Yukawa coupling is induced through mass mixing with the extra fermions of the CFT.

- Consistency with EW precision test

- The oblique corrections  $\Delta T$  and  $\Delta S$  by the extra fermions
- Z-boson decay width

# A phenomenological model

## 2. An explicit model

- Extra vectorlike fermions ( $N_f = 12$ )

	$SU(3)_{\text{DSB}}$	$SU(3)_{\text{CFT}}$	$SU(3)'_C$	$SU(2)_W$	$U(1)_Y$	$(i = 1, 2, 3)$
$\psi^A$	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	any	
$\eta^a$	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	any	
$\Phi^{iA}$	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	1/6	
$\phi^{iA}$	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	2/3	

When the DSB interaction is weak, the model shows the CFT with a large anomalous dimension,  $\gamma_H^* = 0.8$ .

- Dynamical symmetry breaking

Let us assume that the SSB of  $SU(3)_{\text{CFT}} \times SU(3)'_C \rightarrow SU(3)_C$  is induced by condensation of the  $G_{\text{DSB}}$  charged fermions  $\psi, \eta$ :

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \langle \bar{\psi}_A \cdot \eta^a \rangle &\sim \omega \delta_A^a \\ \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \langle \bar{\eta}_a \cdot \psi^A \rangle &\sim \bar{\omega} \delta_a^A \end{aligned} \right\} \rightarrow \text{SSB} \quad \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \langle \bar{\eta}_a \cdot \eta^a \rangle \sim M$$

# A phenomenological model

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- The effective Lagrangian ( $\lambda^* = 2.64$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 -\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} &= \lambda^* \bar{\Phi}_{iA} \phi^{iA} \tilde{H} + \frac{c}{\Lambda^2} \bar{Q}_{3La} \Phi_R^{3A} (\bar{\psi}_A \cdot \eta^a) + \frac{\bar{c}}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\phi}_{3A} u_R^{3a} (\bar{\eta}_a \cdot \psi^A) \\
 &\quad + \frac{c\Phi}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\Phi}_{iA} \Phi^{iA} (\bar{\eta}_a \cdot \eta^a) + \frac{c\phi}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\phi}_{iA} \phi^{iA} (\bar{\eta}_a \cdot \eta^a) + V(H) \\
 &= \lambda_* (\bar{\Phi}_{iL} \phi_R^i + \bar{\Phi}_R \phi_L) \tilde{H} + V(H) \\
 &\quad + M_\Phi \left( \bar{\Phi}_{3L} + \frac{\omega}{M_\Phi} \bar{Q}_{3L} \right) \Phi_R^3 + M_\phi \bar{\phi}_{3L} \left( \phi_R^3 + \frac{\bar{\omega}}{M_\phi} u_R^3 \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

- Mass mixing between Top quark and the extra fermions

$$\begin{aligned}
 \begin{pmatrix} Q'_3 \\ \Phi' \end{pmatrix}_L &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_L & \sin \theta_L \\ \sin \theta_L & \cos \theta_L \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Q_3 \\ \Phi \end{pmatrix}_L, \quad \tan \theta_L = \frac{\omega}{M_\Phi} \\
 \begin{pmatrix} u'_3 \\ \phi' \end{pmatrix}_R &= \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_R & \sin \theta_R \\ \sin \theta_R & \cos \theta_R \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_3 \\ \phi \end{pmatrix}_R, \quad \tan \theta_R = \frac{\bar{\omega}}{M_\phi}
 \end{aligned}$$

massless modes  $(Q'_{3L}, u'_{3R})$  : top quarks

massive modes  $M'_\Phi$  for  $(\Phi'_L, \Phi_R)$ ,  $M'_\phi$  for  $(\phi_L, \phi'_R)$

$\Rightarrow$  Effective top Yukawa coupling :  $y_t^{\text{eff}} \sim \lambda_* \sin \theta_L \sin \theta_R$

# EW precision test

## 1. The oblique corrections

- Heavy Higgs and  $\Delta T$

Higgs mass bound by the EW precision test

$$m_{h0} < 184\text{GeV} \quad \text{excluding a heavy Higgs?}$$

If a suitable amount of  $\Delta T$  is present,  
then heavy Higgs is also allowed.

e.g. for  $m_{h0} = 400 - 600\text{GeV}$

$$\Delta T = 0.25 \pm 0.1, \quad \Delta S \sim 0$$

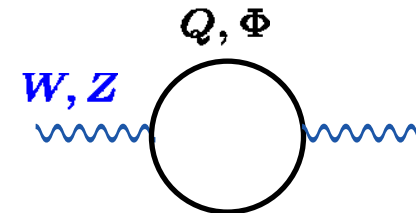
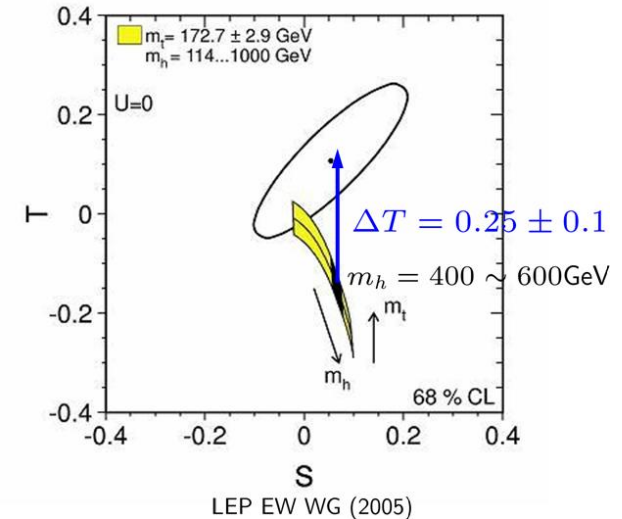
- Explicit evaluation by one-loop

$$\Delta T \sim \frac{3}{16\pi^2\alpha} \left( \ln \frac{M'^2}{m_t^2} + \lambda^* \right) \left( \frac{x}{M'} \right)^2 (\lambda^* - 1)$$

$$\Delta S < 0.12\Delta T \quad (x = \lambda_* v \sin \theta \cos \theta, \quad \lambda^* = 2.63)$$

Note: The custodial symmetry is explicitly broken.

The heavy Higgs near the triviality bound is allowed, when  
 $1.5\text{TeV} < M' < 2.5\text{TeV}$ .



# EW precision test

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## 2. Z-boson decay width

- Experimental constraint

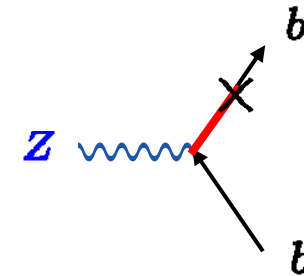
$$R_b = \Gamma(Z \rightarrow b\bar{b})/\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \text{hadrons}) \Rightarrow \delta g_b < 10^{-3}$$

- Mass mixing of bottom quarks through EWSB

$$\begin{aligned} -\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} &= y_t(\sin \theta_L \bar{\Phi}'_L + \cos \theta_L \bar{Q}'_{3L})t_R \tilde{H} \\ &\quad + y_b(\sin \theta_L \bar{\Phi}'_L + \cos \theta_L \bar{Q}'_{3L})b_R H \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta g_{bL} \simeq \delta g_{bR} \simeq (m_b/M)^2 \leq 10^{-5}$$

Mixing of the bottom quarks ( $b_L, b_R$ ) with the heavy fermions is very tiny! Contribution for the coupling of  $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  is negligible.





# Summary

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## ● We considered the scenario in which

- The Higgs sector is approximately conformal invariant above TeV ("Conformal Higgs model").
- Fine-tuning can be ameliorated by a large anomalous dimension.
- The Higgs mass is predicted to be heavy (about 500GeV).

## ● Simple ERG analysis of the gauge-Yukawa theory shows

- Existence of an IR fixed point with the Yukawa coupling.
- Large anomalous dimensions of the scalar fields.

## ● We also presented a explicit model in which

- Top quark mass can be explained by mixing with the extra quarks in the CFT sector.
- The model can be consistent with the EW precision test.
- Extra heavy quarks exist near 2TeV.

**Let's wait for what LHC will tell us!**

## ● Further issues

- Explicit dynamics of the DSB of the CFT.
- Masses and mixings of other quarks/leptons than top.
- 5 dim picture or the AdS/CFT correspondence.