# Composite Dark Sectors

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# Composite Higgs

- One interesting solution to the hierarchy problem is making the Higgs composite, the remnant of some new strong dynamics [Kaplan, Georgi '84]
- It is particularly compelling when the Higgs is the pNGB of some new strong interaction. Something like pions in QCD

[Agashe, Contino, Pomarol '04]



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# The Higgs Effective Potential

- The coupling to the elementary sector breaks the global symmetry, generating a Higgs potential at the loop level
- The gauge contribution is aligned in the direction that preserves the gauge symmetry [Witten '83]
- However, the linear mixings needed to generate the fermion masses



will be also responsible for a viable EWSB



# Light Top Partners at the LHC

In general

 $m_H \sim 125$  GeV and  $m_{
m top} \sim 170$  GeV  $\Rightarrow$  light top partners  $\lesssim 1$  TeV

This leads to some tension with current top partner searches performed by ATLAS and CMS  $% \left( \mathcal{M}_{1}^{2}\right) =\left( \mathcal{M}_{1}^{2}\right) \left( \mathcal{M}_{2}^{2}\right) \left( \mathcal{M}_{1}^{2}\right) \left( \mathcal{M}_{2}^{2}\right) \left( \mathcal{M}_{1}^{2}\right) \left( \mathcal{M}_{$ 



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# A different look at the Composite Idea

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# Leaving aside naturalness?

• We consider SM extensions in which the SM matter content (including the Higgs) is fully elementary [Kilic, Okui, Sundrum '10] [Antipin, Redi, Strumia '14]

> SM+H gauging v~246 GeV  $\mathcal{G}/\mathcal{H}$  $\mathcal{I}',W',G'$  $\mathfrak{T}'$

- If the coset G/H is symmetric, i.e., [X<sup>i</sup>, X<sup>j</sup>] = if<sub>ijk</sub>T<sup>k</sup>, with (T<sup>k</sup>) X<sup>i</sup> the (un)broken generators, only terms with an even number of pNGBs are present in the Lagrangian
- This means in particular that the Composite Sector has an accidental  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry  $\pi^i \leftrightarrow -\pi^i$  not even spontaneously broken

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## Composite Dark Sectors

If we consider  $\mathcal{G}_{SM}=\mathcal{H}\subset\mathcal{G}$  and elementary fermions, the lightest pNGB provides a DM candidate!

- **1** We have just two parameters  $f_D$  and  $g_D$
- 2  $f_D$  is not longer required to be  $\lesssim 1$  TeV by naturalness
- S The Coleman-Weinberg potential is expected to preserve the EW symmetry

The two smallest viable groups are  $\mathcal{G} = SU(2)^2 \times U(1)$  and SU(3), which provide an additional scalar triplet and doublet, respectively.

$$\Delta = \left(\frac{\pi^{+} + \pi^{-}}{\sqrt{2}}, -i\frac{\pi^{+} - \pi^{-}}{\sqrt{2}}, \pi^{0}\right)^{T} \quad \phi = \left(\pi^{+}, \frac{\pi^{0} + iA^{0}}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{T}$$

Inert Triplet Model

Inert Doublet Model

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# Some general comments

- $g_D$  is expected to be  $1 \lesssim g_D \lesssim 4\pi$
- Vector masses  $\sim m_{
  ho} \sim f_D g_D \gtrsim$  few TeV, from current constraints
- The pNGBs  $\pi$  are naturally expected to live around  $\lesssim$  TeV
- Non-derivative scalar interactions are generated at the quantum level and thus expected to be subdominant with respect to gauge ones
- As neutral and charged pNGB come in complete irreps of the EW group, its mass splitting can only be  $\sim v$

# Constraints



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### **Relic Abundance**

We consider a region in the  $g_D - f_D$  plane, parametrized by  $g_D \in [1.5,4]$  and  $f_D \in [1,10]$  TeV



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# **Direct Detection**



Most important channel

Negligible if  $m_{{\cal A}^0}-m_\pi^0\gtrsim 0.1~{
m MeV}$ 

- Direct detection experiments are not sensitive to small values of the trilinear coupling  $h\pi^0\pi^0$ , specially for large DM masses
- Our small loop-induced couplings are out of the reach of any of these experiments

# Monojets

A priori, monojets searches could be sensitive to processes like



We have explicitly checked that this is not the case

- MadGraph v5 + Pythia v6 + MadAnalysis v5 + CMS analysis
- $\not{E}_{T} > 450 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow \sigma \times \epsilon \leq 7.8 \text{ fb, upper bound stated by CMS}$ [arXiv:1408.3583]

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### EWPT

Normally, for elementary fermions and a composite Higgs,

$$\hat{T} \sim [\hat{\alpha} - 2\hat{\beta} + \hat{\gamma}], \qquad \hat{S} \sim [-\hat{\beta} + \hat{\gamma}], \qquad W = Y \sim \hat{\gamma}$$

where



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### EWPT

Now the situation is pretty different, as for an elementary Higgs,



all these coefficients become the same  $\hat{\alpha}=\hat{\beta}=\hat{\gamma}$  and

$$\hat{T} \sim [\hat{lpha} - 2\hat{eta} + \hat{\gamma}] = 0, \qquad \hat{S} \sim [-\hat{eta} + \hat{\gamma}] = 0, \qquad W = Y \sim \hat{\gamma} \sim 1/L$$

Since  $W = Y \sim (g/g_D)^4 (v/f_D)^2$ ,

W = Y may become relevant for  $g_D \sim 1$  and  $f_D \gtrsim 1$  TeV

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### EWPT

### We have performed an up-to-date EW precision fit to W = Y



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### LHC constraints on new heavy resonances

The new vector resonances  $G', Z', \gamma'$  and W' can mediate decays into dijets [CMS, arXiv:1501.0419]  $t\bar{t}$  [CMS, arXiv:1309.2030]  $\ell^+\ell^-$  [CMS, arXiv:1405.4123]



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# LHC constraints on long-lived charged particles

The small splitting between the neutral and the charged states in the triplet case makes  $\pi^\pm$  long-lived. It mainly decays through an off-shell W

$$\pi^{\pm}$$
  $\Gamma \sim rac{g^4 lpha}{48 \pi^3} rac{\Delta m^5}{m_W^4}$ 

• This is OK for cosmological scales but large enough to scape LHC detectors

• The traces of  $\pi^{\pm}$  can be still observed for they give rise to anomalous energy loss [CMS, arXiv:1305.0491]

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# Everything Together



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# Composite Higgs Models

Hierarchy problem

Gauging of G<sub>SM</sub> Partial Compositeness

### ≽

Requires heavy resonances around the TeV, to be consistent with a light Higgs

#### ♦

Tension with current data

 $\ll \frac{\text{attempt}}{\text{to solve}} >$ 

breaking achieved by

# Composite Dark Sectors

Dark Matter observation

Only gauging G<sub>SM</sub>

#### ≽

Guarantees DM stability
Allows resonances at a few TeV, pNGBs at ~TeV

#### ≽

In agreement with both LHC data and the measured relic density

# Thanks!

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# **Back-up Slides**

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### The Light Top Partner Connection

• Top quark is typically responsible for triggering the EWSB [Contino,da Rold,Pomarol, '06]

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• We have light top partners at the reach of the LHC!

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# Light Top Partners at the LHC

We can see e.g. the MCHM<sub>5</sub>, [AC, Goertz, arXiv:1410.8555]



 $f_{\pi}=$  0.8 TeV,  $g_{\psi}\sim$  4.4.  $Y_{q}^{*}=$  0.7 is the maximum allowed "Yukawa"

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### Still model dependent

There are cases where the top partners are heavier, e.g. the mMCHM<sup>III</sup><sub>5</sub> [AC, Goertz, arXiv:1410.8555]



 $Y_*^{\prime}=0.35, ~~Y_*^{q}=0.7, ~~f_{\pi}=0.8~{
m TeV}, ~~g_{\psi}\sim 4.4$ 

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### Still model dependent

Leptons can even be the main source of the Higgs mass, allowing for the most minimal quark model  $q_L \sim \mathbf{5}_{-2/3}, t_R \sim \mathbf{1}_{-2/3}$ , the mMCHM<sup>III></sup><sub>5-1</sub> [AC, Goertz, arXiv:1410.8555]



 $Y_*'=0.7, ~~Y_*^q=0.7, ~~f_{\pi}=0.8~{
m TeV}, ~~g_{\psi}\sim 4.4$ 

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# Holographic DM

In order to estimate the strongly-coupled effects we work in a 5D holographic description



- All SM matter content (including the Higgs) is confined on the UV brane.
- Only gauge bosons will propagate into the bulk

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# Scalar Potential

We can explicitly confirm that the usual EWSB is not spoiled



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The splitting arises at order  $m_W^4/f_D^4$  in the triplet case but at order  $m_W^2/f_D^2$  for the doublet

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Provided the splitting is small (as expected if the U(1) is broken at a high scale) we can neglect the dependence on it!

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