

Universal Imprints of a PNGB Higgs Boson

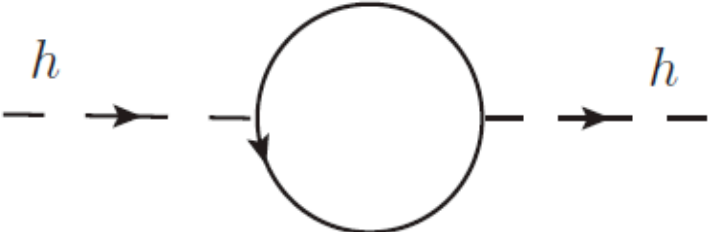


Workshop on “Confronting Naturalness: from LHC to Future Colliders”

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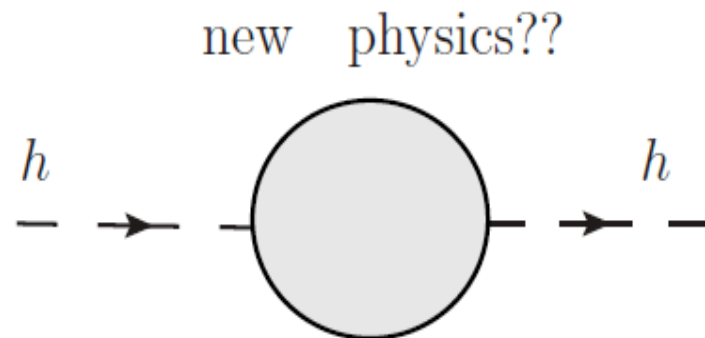


The discovery of 125 GeV Higgs sharpens the question of Naturalness:



A Feynman diagram showing a top quark loop. It consists of a circle with two arrows indicating a clockwise flow. Two horizontal lines with arrows pointing to the right enter and exit the circle. The incoming line is labeled with the letter h above it, and the outgoing line is also labeled with h above it.

$$\propto -\frac{3\lambda_t^2}{8\pi^2}\Lambda^2$$



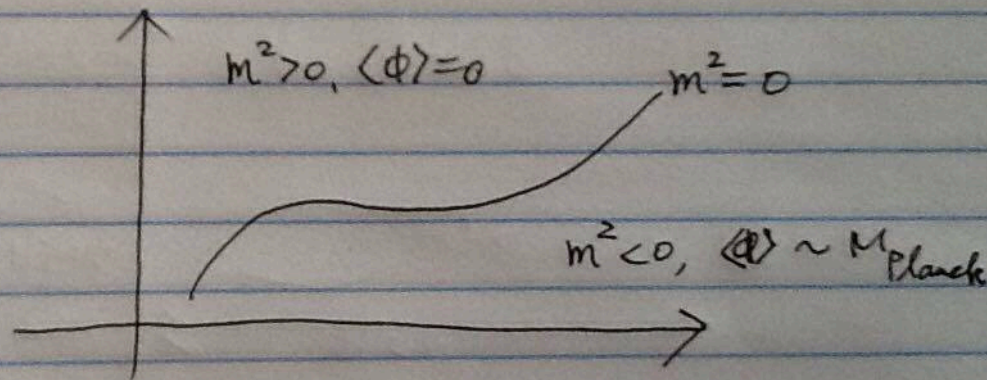
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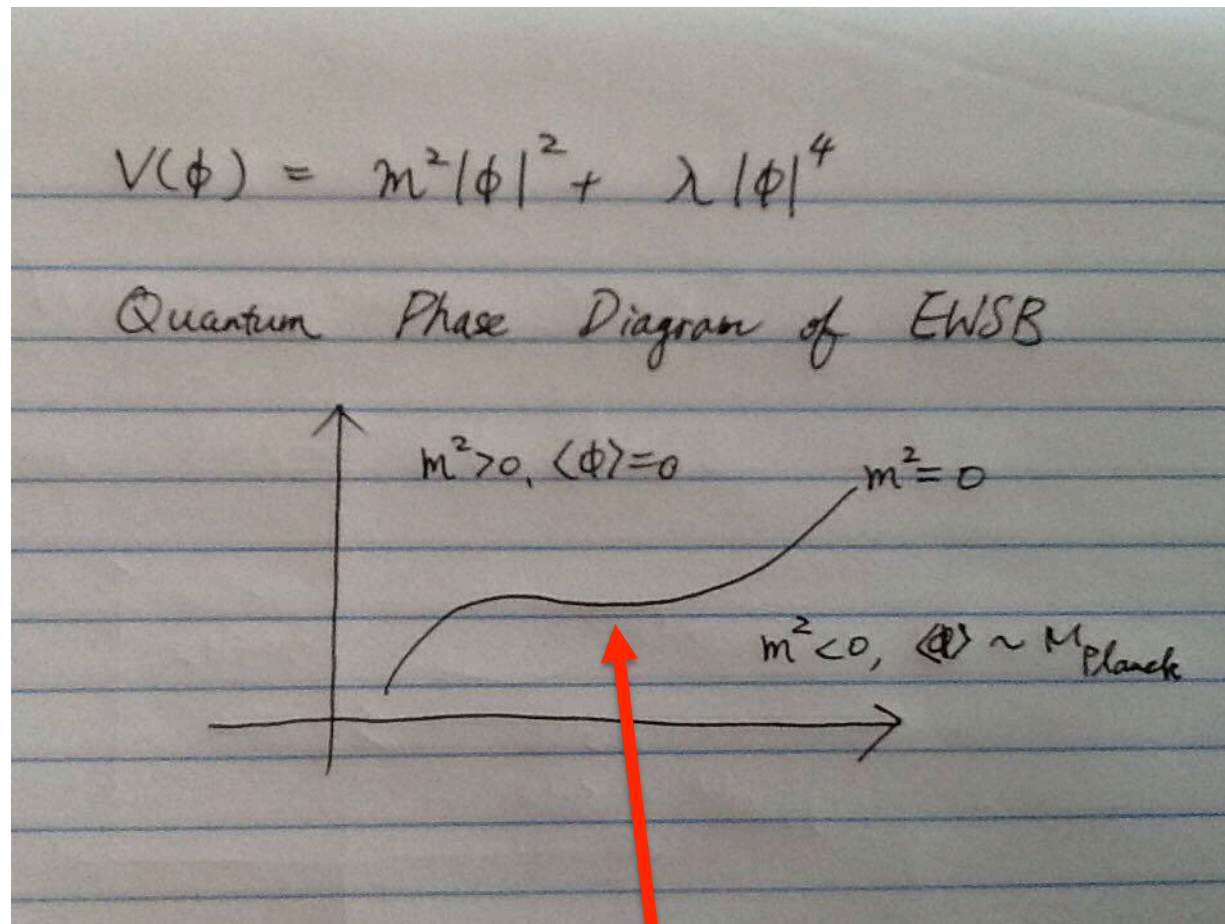
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Quantum Phase Diagram of EWSB



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$M_h = 125$ GeV. We are sitting extremely close to the criticality. **WHY??**

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- Fermionic symmetry: the (broken) supersymmetry.

- supersymmetric theories are all built upon a minimal lagrangian
-- the MSSM:

$$W_{\text{MSSM}} = \bar{u} \mathbf{y}_u Q H_u - \bar{d} \mathbf{y}_d Q H_d - \bar{e} \mathbf{y}_e L H_d + \mu H_u H_d$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{soft}}^{\text{MSSM}} = & -\frac{1}{2} \left(M_3 \tilde{g} \tilde{g} + M_2 \tilde{W} \tilde{W} + M_1 \tilde{B} \tilde{B} + \text{c.c.} \right) \\ & - \left(\tilde{u} \mathbf{a}_u \tilde{Q} H_u - \tilde{d} \mathbf{a}_d \tilde{Q} H_d - \tilde{e} \mathbf{a}_e \tilde{L} H_d + \text{c.c.} \right) \\ & - \tilde{Q}^\dagger \mathbf{m}_Q^2 \tilde{Q} - \tilde{L}^\dagger \mathbf{m}_L^2 \tilde{L} - \tilde{u} \mathbf{m}_u^2 \tilde{u}^\dagger - \tilde{d} \mathbf{m}_d^2 \tilde{d}^\dagger - \tilde{e} \mathbf{m}_e^2 \tilde{e}^\dagger \\ & - m_{H_u}^2 H_u^* H_u - m_{H_d}^2 H_d^* H_d - (b H_u H_d + \text{c.c.}) . \end{aligned}$$

This is the minimal lagrangian the makes standard model supersymmetric.

On the other hand, the theory space of a composite Higgs looks huge:

\mathcal{G}	\mathcal{H}	C	N_G	$\mathbf{r}_{\mathcal{H}} = \mathbf{r}_{\text{SU}(2) \times \text{SU}(2)} (\mathbf{r}_{\text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1)})$	Ref.
SO(5)	SO(4)	✓	4	$\mathbf{4} = (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})$	[11]
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SO(7)	SO(5) × U(1)	✓*	10	$\mathbf{10}_0 = (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}) + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{3}) + (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})$	—
SO(7)	[SU(2)] ³	✓*	12	$(\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{3}) = 3 \cdot (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})$	—
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SO(9)	SO(8)	✓	8	$\mathbf{8} = 2 \cdot (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})$	[67]
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Table 1: Symmetry breaking patterns $\mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ for Lie groups. The third column denotes whether the breaking pattern incorporates custodial symmetry. The fourth column gives the dimension N_G of the coset, while the fifth contains the representations of the GB's under \mathcal{H} and $\text{SO}(4) \cong \text{SU}(2)_L \times \text{SU}(2)_R$ (or simply $\text{SU}(2)_L \times \text{U}(1)_Y$ if there is no custodial symmetry). In case of more than two $\text{SU}(2)$'s in \mathcal{H} and several different possible decompositions we quote the one with largest number of bi-doublets.

Construction of effective Lagrangians for composite Higgs bosons relies on the CCWZ formalism:

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$$\Pi' = \Pi'(\Pi, g)$$



No one dared asking/working out what this mess is.

CCWZ thus looked for objects that have “simple” transformation properties under the action of G .

These are contained in the Cartan-Maurer one-form:

$$\xi^\dagger \partial_\mu \xi = i\mathcal{D}_\mu^a X^a + i\mathcal{E}_\mu^i T^i \equiv i\mathcal{D}_\mu + i\mathcal{E}_\mu$$

They are the “Goldstone covariant derivative” and the “associated gauge field”,

$$\mathcal{D}_\mu \rightarrow U\mathcal{D}_\mu U^{-1} , \quad \mathcal{E}_\mu \rightarrow U\mathcal{E}_\mu U^{-1} - (\partial_\mu U)U^{-1}$$

upon which the complete effective lagrangian can be built (apart from the topological terms)

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \frac{f^2}{2} \text{Tr} \mathcal{D}_\mu \mathcal{D}^\mu + \dots$$

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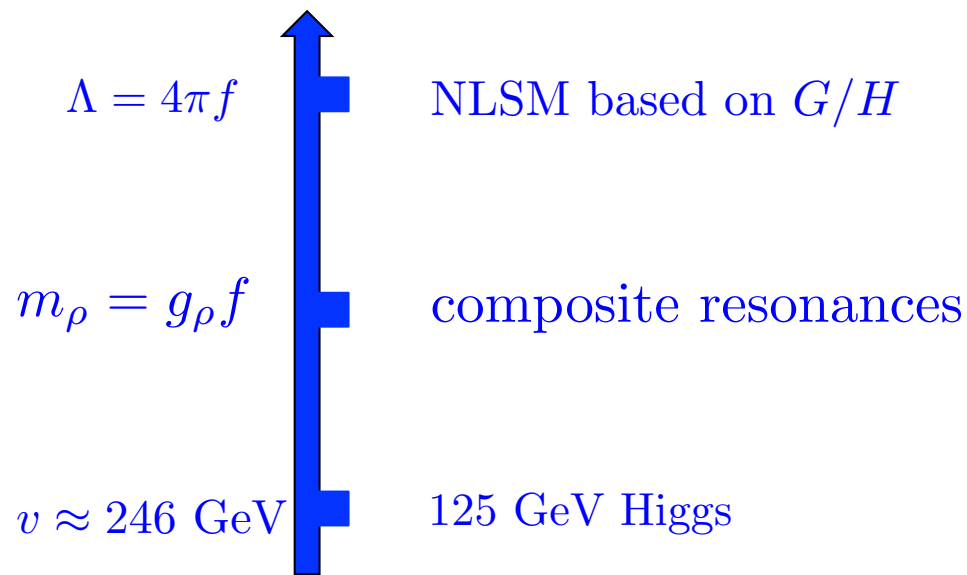
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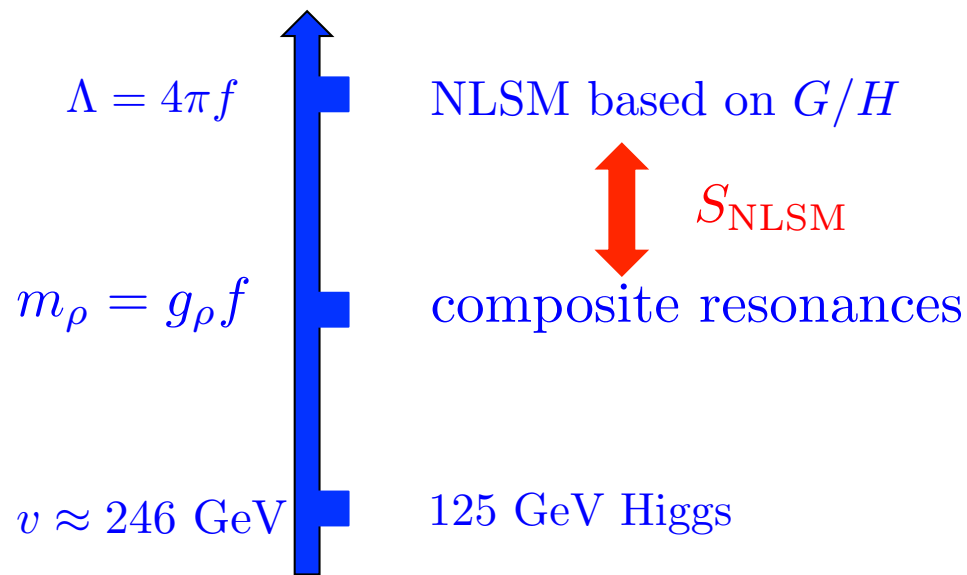
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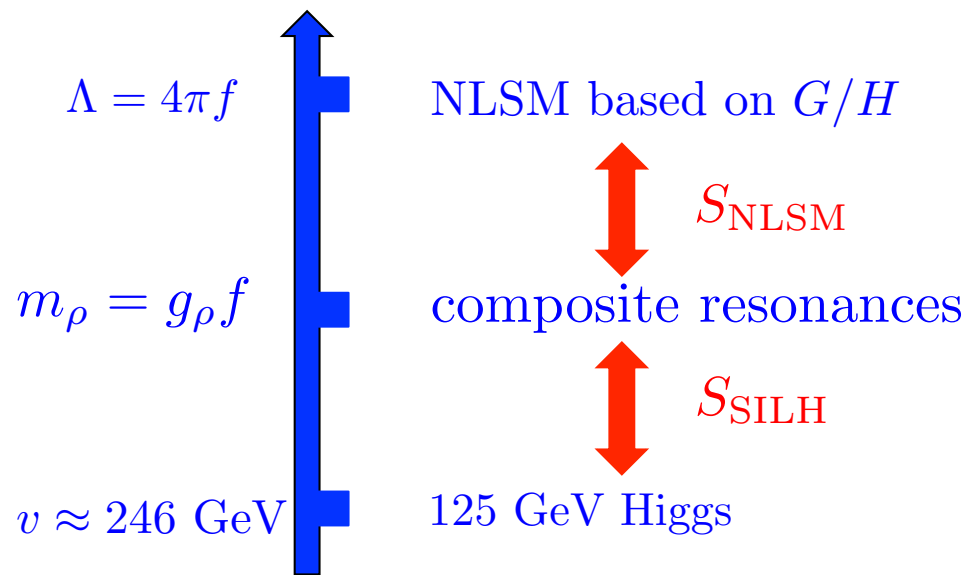
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- At low energies, CCWZ is “matched” to the SILH lagrangian:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{\text{SILH}} = & \boxed{\frac{c_H}{2f^2} \partial^\mu (H^\dagger H) \partial_\mu (H^\dagger H) + \frac{c_T}{2f^2} \left(H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H \right) \left(H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H \right)} \\
& - \frac{c_6 \lambda}{f^2} (H^\dagger H)^3 + \left(\frac{c_y y_f}{f^2} H^\dagger H \bar{f}_L H f_R + \text{h.c.} \right) \\
& + \frac{i c_W g}{2m_\rho^2} \left(H^\dagger \sigma^a \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H \right) (D_\nu W^{\mu\nu})^a + \frac{i c_B g'}{2m_\rho^2} \left(H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H \right) (\partial_\nu B^{\mu\nu}) \\
& + \frac{i c_{HW} g}{16\pi^2 f^2} (D^\mu H)^\dagger \sigma^a (D^\nu H) W_{\mu\nu}^a + \frac{i c_{HB} g'}{16\pi^2 f^2} (D^\mu H)^\dagger (D^\nu H) B_{\mu\nu} \\
& + \frac{c_\gamma g'^2}{16\pi^2 f^2} \frac{g^2}{g_\rho^2} H^\dagger H B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{c_g g_s^2}{16\pi^2 f^2} \frac{y_t^2}{g_\rho^2} H^\dagger H G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu},
\end{aligned}$$

NLSM contribution to SILH coefficients for some of the composite Higgs models:

- SU(5)/SO(5) Littlest Higgs: $c_H^{(\sigma)} = \frac{1}{4}$, $c_T^{(\sigma)} = -\frac{1}{16}$
- SO(5)/SO(4) minimal composite Higgs (MCHM): $c_H^{(\sigma)} = 1$, $c_T^{(\sigma)} = 0$
- SO(9)/SO(5)×SO(4) littlest Higgs: $c_H^{(\sigma)} = \frac{1}{12}$, $c_T^{(\sigma)} = 0$
- $\frac{SU(5)}{SO(5)} \times \frac{[SU(2) \times U(1)]_L \times [SU(2) \times U(1)]_R}{[SU(2) \times U(1)]_V}$ T-parity: $c_H^{(\sigma)} = \frac{1}{6}$, $c_T^{(\sigma)} = 0$

c_T is dictated by the custodial symmetry. However, c_H is different for different coset.

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This begs the question:

Are there universal predictions of a composite Higgs boson that are independent of the symmetry-breaking pattern?

To this end, let's recall that NLSM is all about the presence of non-trivial vacua:

Goldstone bosons are long-range degrees of freedom that connect different vacua!

It then seems a little odd that their interactions would care about the broken group G in the UV!

The IR perspective was pursued vigorously in the context of pions in the '60s by Adler, Nambu, Goldstone, Weinberg, etc.

This body of work was collectively known as “soft pion theorems,” although a significant part of them does not depend on the particular symmetry breaking pattern!

- one particularly important “soft-pion” theorem is the Adler’s zero condition:

on-shell scattering amplitudes of Goldstone bosons must vanish in the limit the momentum of one Goldstone boson is taken off-shell and soft.

- often this is over-simplified as saying “the Goldstone boson is derivatively coupled.”

it is an over-simplification because it doesn’t do justice to the full power of the Adler’s zero condition.

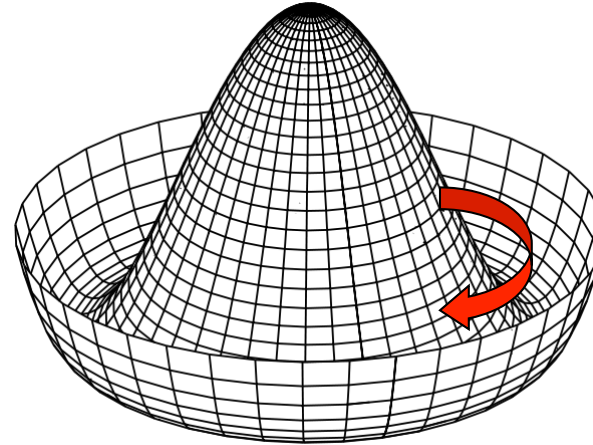
I would advocate promoting Adler's zero condition to be the **defining property** of Goldstone bosons:

Nambu-Goldstone bosons are defined by the Adler's zeros and their transformation property under the unbroken group in the IR.

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Recall the different vacua are related by a rotation in the broken direction:

$$e^{i\theta}|\theta_0\rangle = |\theta_0 + \theta\rangle$$



Excitations along the broken direction gives the Goldstone boson,

$$e^{i(\rho(x)+\theta)}|\theta_0\rangle = e^{i\rho(x)}|\theta_0 + \theta\rangle$$

But the physics is invariant whether one chooses $|\theta_0\rangle$ or $|\theta_0 + \theta\rangle$

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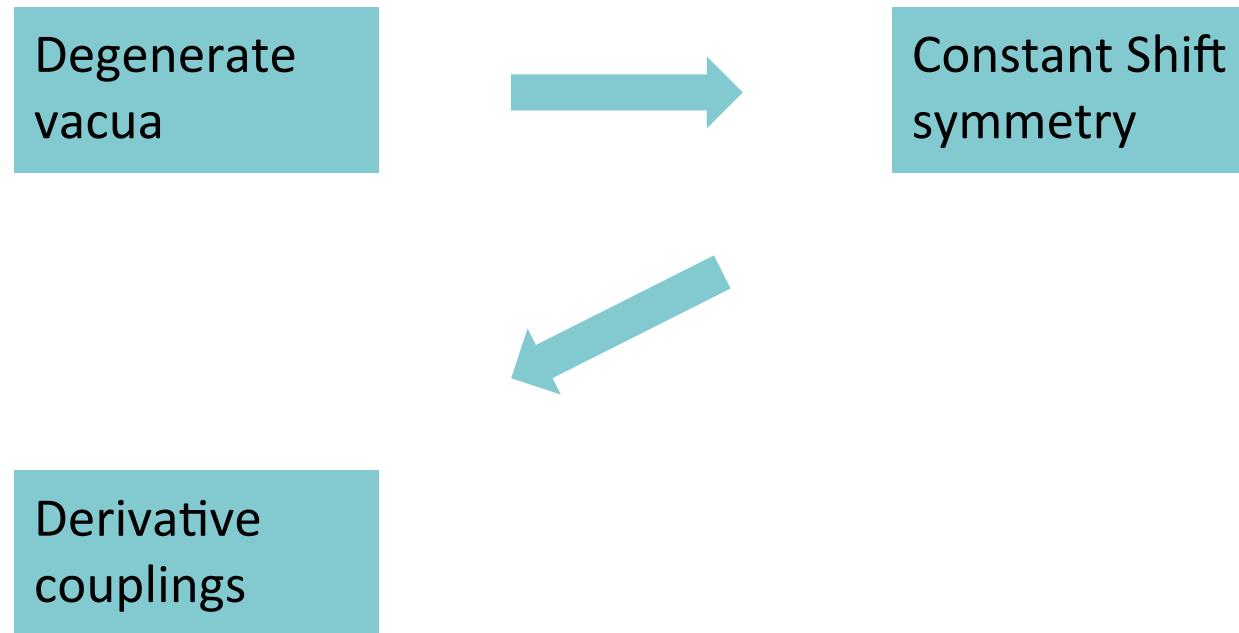
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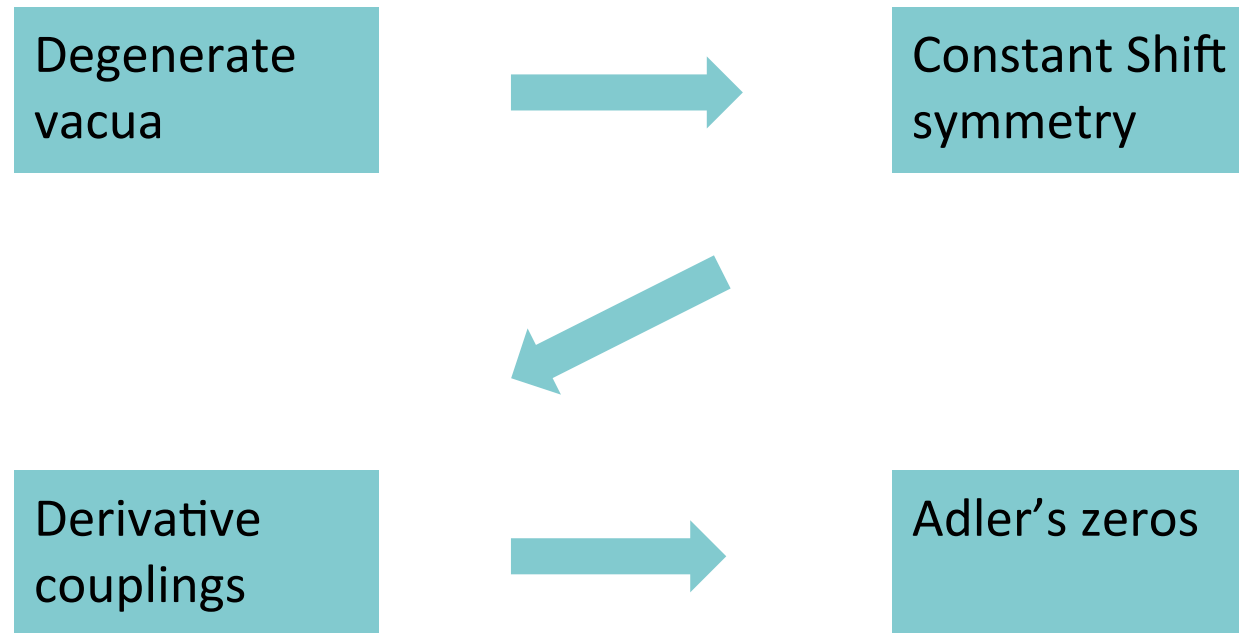
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The argument can be generalized to n-pt amplitudes to show that $\mathcal{O}(p^2)$ term always vanishes!

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(\pi^a \pi^a \cdots \rightarrow \pi^a \pi^a \cdots) &= a(p_1 + \cdots + p_n)^2 + \mathcal{O}(p^4) \\ &= \mathcal{O}(p^4) \end{aligned}$$

- The effective Lagrangian, when all other Goldstones are turned-off, is very simple:

$$\mathcal{L}(\pi^i = 0, i \neq a) = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \pi^a \partial^\mu \pi^a + \mathcal{O}(\partial^4)$$

- At the Lagrangian level, this can be achieved by requiring a constant “shift symmetry”:

$$\pi^a \rightarrow \pi^a + \varepsilon^a$$

- The derivative of pion has simpler transformation under the shift symmetry:

$$\partial_\mu \pi^a \rightarrow \partial_\mu \pi^a$$

We have learned a simple yet powerful statement that is universal in NLSM:

For any coset G/H , self-interactions among Goldstones of the same flavor are fixed by Adler's zero condition and Bose symmetry, and must have the form:

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- Invariance under the unbroken group H.

When there are multiple flavors of Goldstones, higher order terms appear in the shift symmetry.

- Let's consider two flavors of goldstones transforming as a complex scalar under an unbroken U(1):

$$\phi = (\pi_1 + i\pi_2)/\sqrt{2} \quad \rightarrow \quad e^{i\alpha} \phi$$

- The shift symmetry at NLO can be written as

$$\phi \mapsto \phi' = \phi + \epsilon - \frac{c_1}{f^2}(\phi^* \epsilon)\phi - \frac{c_2}{f^2}(\epsilon^* \phi)\phi$$

- When we turn off one of the two flavors , we must return to the single flavor case, $\pi_i \rightarrow \pi_i + \epsilon_i$,

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This is the generalization of constant shift symmetry:

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The question:

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Let's look for objects that have simple transformation properties under the general shift symmetry:

$$\mathcal{D}_\mu \phi \mapsto \mathcal{D}_\mu \phi' = e^{i\alpha u(\phi, \epsilon)/f} \mathcal{D}_\mu \phi$$

Then the effective Lagrangian can be built straightforwardly.

- By demanding the Adler's zero and invariance under the unbroken U(1), we can write down

$$\mathcal{D}_\mu \phi = \partial_\mu \phi - \frac{d_1}{f^2} (\phi \partial_\mu \phi^* - \partial_\mu \phi \phi^*) \phi$$

- the form is again fixed by reducing to the single flavor case:

$$\mathcal{D}\phi|_{\pi_2=0} = \partial_\mu \pi_1$$

When all is said and done, the leading two-derivative Lagrangian can be obtained:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}^{(2)} &= \mathcal{D}_\mu \phi^* \mathcal{D}^\mu \phi \\ &= \partial_\mu \phi^* \partial^\mu \phi - \frac{c_1}{f^2} |\partial_\mu \phi^* \phi - \partial_\mu \phi \phi^*|^2 + \mathcal{O}(1/f^4)\end{aligned}$$

which is invariant under

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- We managed to derive the effective Lagrangian without referring to any UV coset!
- There is only one undetermined parameter in the end, which corresponds to the overall normalization of f :

$$\tilde{f} = f / \sqrt{c_1}$$

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- the sign of c_1 is not fixed:
a positive sign implies a compact G/H (suppression), while a negative sign implies a non-compact G/H (enhancement).
- if UV completion is a concern, $c_1 > 0$ and the sign of the dim-6 operator is negative.

$$\tilde{f} = f / \sqrt{6c_1}$$

- one could introduce another object that transforms non-homogeneously like a gauge field:

$$\mathcal{E}_\mu \mapsto e^{-iu} \mathcal{E}_\mu e^{iu} - i e^{-iu} \partial_\mu e^{iu} = \mathcal{E}_\mu + \partial_\mu u(\phi, \epsilon)$$

$$\mathcal{E}_\mu = \frac{i}{\alpha} \frac{\partial_\mu \phi^* \phi - \partial_\mu \phi \phi^*}{|\phi|^2} \sin^2 \frac{|\phi|}{2\tilde{f}}$$

Let's pause for a moment and reflect on what's happened...

We derived the two-derivative lagrangian for a complex Goldstone boson charged under an unbroken U(1):

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The only assumptions are

1. The Adler's zero condition.
2. There exists an unbroken U(1).

As such, this is the universal lagrangian among all NLSM containing a complex Goldstone!

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But upon $f \rightarrow 4f$ in $SU(2)/U(1)$ case, the two become identical!

This approach can be generalized to a general unbroken group H in the IR.

We assume a set of scalars furnishing a linear representation under a simple Lie group H :

$$\pi^a(x) \rightarrow \pi^a(x) + i\alpha^i (T^i)_{ab} \pi^b(x)$$

It is convenient to choose a basis where all generators are purely imaginary (and hence anti-symmetric!)

$$(T^i)^T = -T^i \text{ and } (T^i)^* = -T^i$$

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All this is achieved using only IR data, without recourse to a coset G/H !

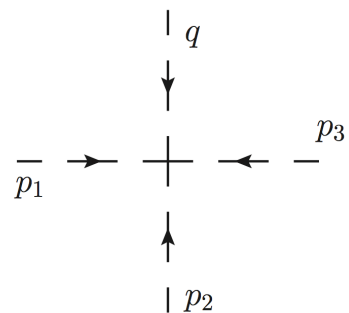
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In essence, the IR approach is “bootstrapping” the NLSM amplitudes from Adler’s zeros:

Starting from a lower point amplitudes, construct the higher point amplitudes such that the Adler’s zero is satisfied, by introducing the necessary higher point vertices.

Starting from 4-pt amplitude:

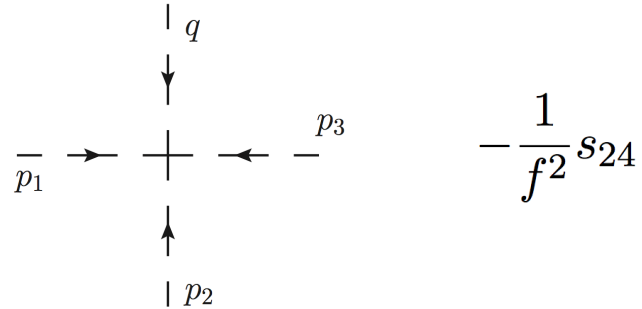


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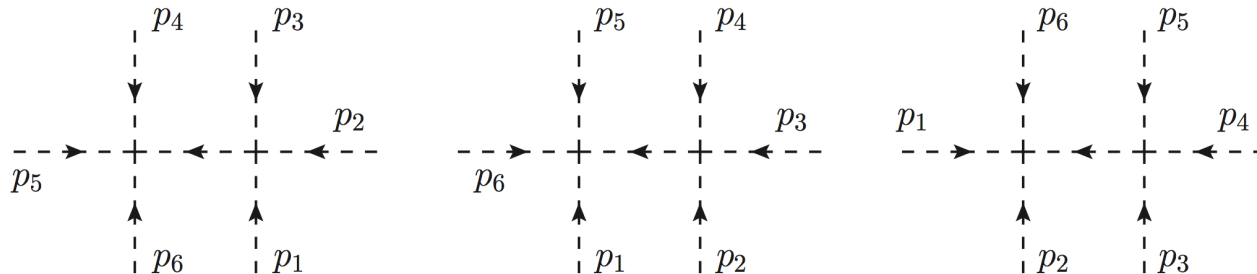
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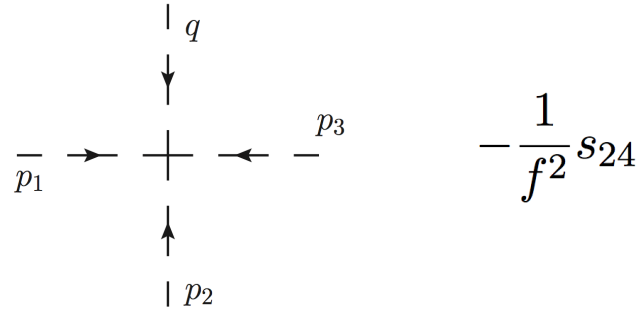
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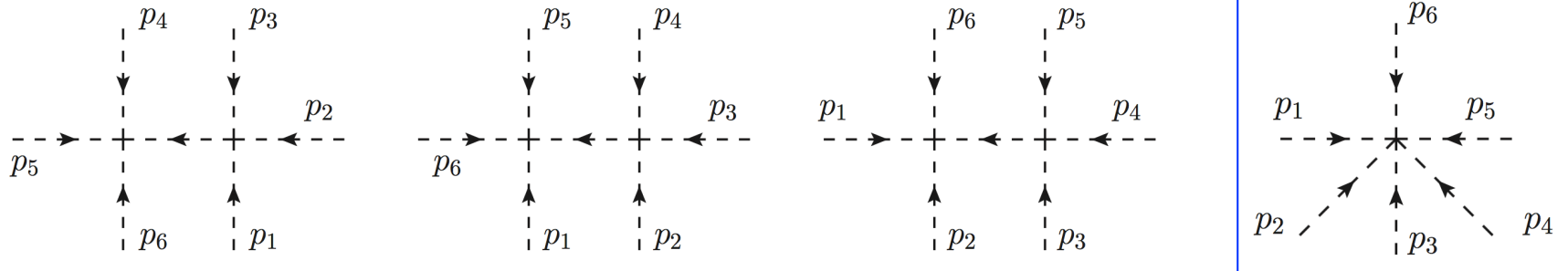
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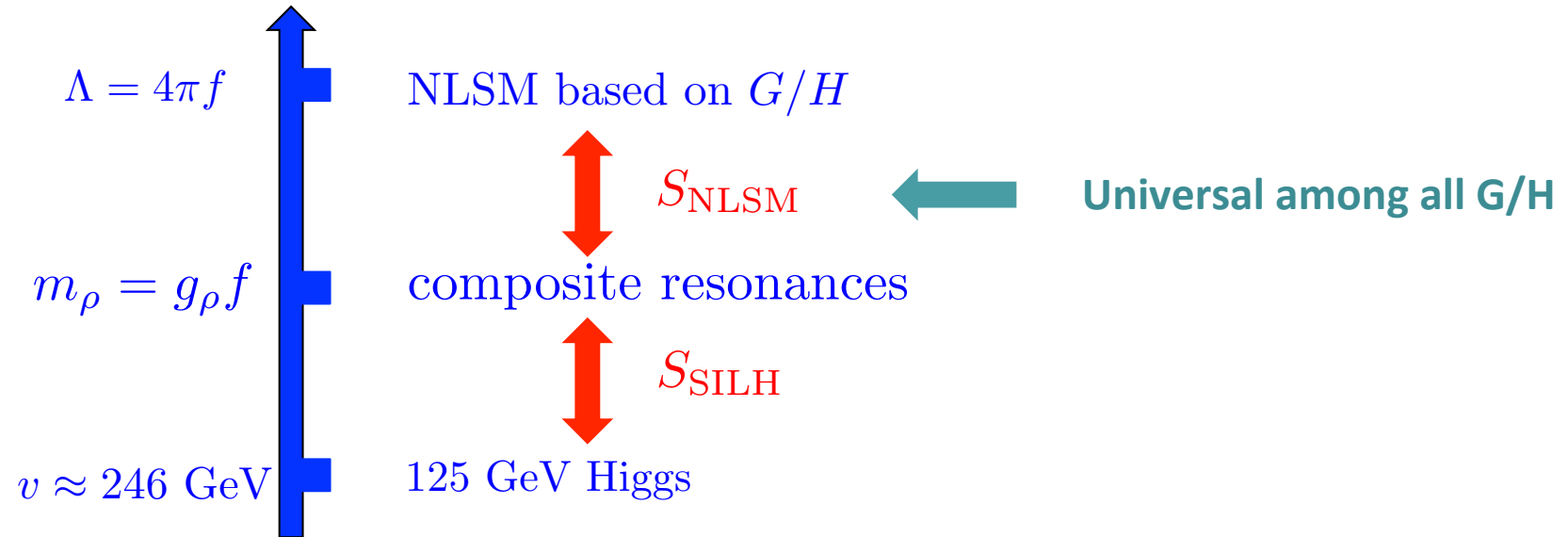


One common ingredient among all composite Higgs models are

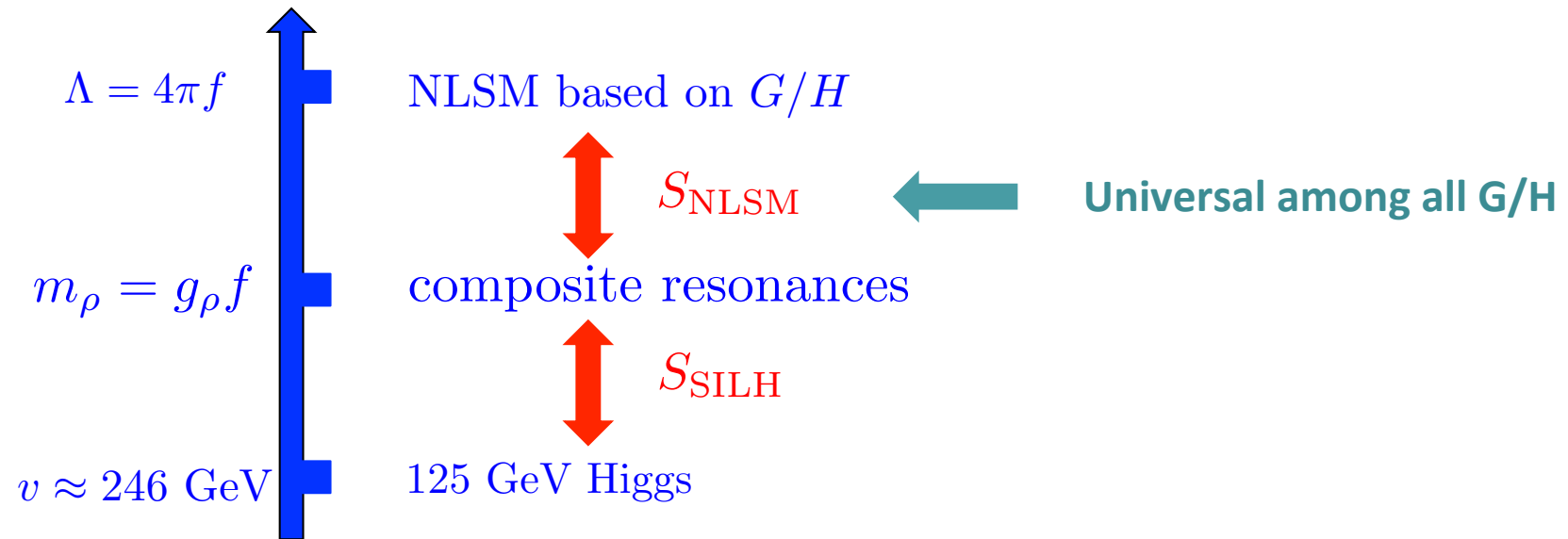
- The unbroken group H contains an $SO(4)$.
- The 125 GeV Higgs transforms as the fundamental representation of $SO(4)$.

We conclude that the NLSM Lagrangian involving the 125 GeV Higgs in all composite Higgs models is **universal**, up to the normalization of the “ f ”.

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Recall that the composite resonances are model-dependent. How can we make a statement on the EFT below the scale “ f ”??

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In the end, **SILH inherits the universal nonlinearity from CCWZ:**

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{m_\rho^4}{g_\rho^2} \left[\mathcal{L}^{(0)}(U, \Phi, \partial/m_\rho) + \frac{g_\rho^2}{(4\pi)^2} \mathcal{L}^{(1)}(U, \Phi, \partial/m_\rho) + \frac{g_\rho^4}{(4\pi)^4} \mathcal{L}^{(2)}(U, \Phi, \partial/m_\rho) + \dots \right]$$

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Recall that $\sin \theta$ is related to the normalization of “f” and thus coset-dependent.

Once it’s measured, the rest of the $h^n VV$ couplings are fully determined!

It is clear now what the strategy is:

Measure one single parameter “ $\sin \theta$ ” in hVV coupling as the input, and use it to predict other $h^n VV$ couplings, $n \geq 2$.

For examples, if we define in the SILH Lagrangian

$$g_{nh}^{(2)} \left(\frac{h}{v} \right)^n \left(m_W^2 W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu} + \frac{1}{2} m_Z^2 Z_\mu Z^\mu \right)$$

Then one universal prediction of the Higgs nonlinearity is

$$\frac{g_h^{(2)}}{g_{2h}^{(2)}} = \frac{1 - 2\xi}{\sqrt{1 - \xi}}$$

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Alternatively, we can stay with $VV \rightarrow nh$ channel, with $n \leq 2$, by exploiting angular observables. However, this requires going to $O(p^4)$ in the SILH Lagrangian.

There are 11 operators at $O(p^4)$. We focus on those 6 that do not contain the epsilon tensors:

$$\begin{aligned}
 O_1 &= (d_\mu^a d^{\mu a})^2, & O_2 &= (d_\mu^a d_\nu^a)^2, \\
 O_3 &= \left[(E_{\mu\nu}^L)^i \right]^2 - \left[(E_{\mu\nu}^R)^i \right]^2, \\
 O_4^\pm &= -i d_\mu^a d_\nu^b \left[(f_{\mu\nu}^{+L})^i T_L^i \pm (f_{\mu\nu}^{+R})^i T_R^i \right]_{ab}, \\
 O_5^+ &= \left[(f_{\mu\nu}^-)^a \right]^2, & O_5^- &= \left[(f_{\mu\nu}^{+L})^i \right]^2 - \left[(f_{\mu\nu}^{+R})^i \right]^2
 \end{aligned}$$

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These operators were enumerated previously, but not computed.

Like the two-derivative Lagrangian, they can also be expressed entirely using only IR data:

$$d_\mu^a(\pi, \partial) = [\mathcal{F}_2(\mathcal{T})]_{ab} \partial_\mu \pi^b ,$$

$$E_\mu^i(\pi, \partial) = \frac{1}{f^2} \partial_\mu \pi^a [\mathcal{F}_4(\mathcal{T})]_{ab} (T^i \pi)^b$$

$$(f_{\mu\nu}^-)^a = [\mathcal{F}_2(\mathcal{T})]_{ab} (T^i \pi)^b F_{\mu\nu}^i$$

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We then worked out the complete predictions in hVV couplings:

Interaction \mathcal{I}_i^h	C_i^h (NL)	C_i^h (D6)
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$m_Z^2 \frac{h}{v} W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu}$	$\sqrt{1-\xi}$	$1 - \frac{1}{2}c_H\xi$
(1) $\frac{h}{v} W_\mu^+ \mathcal{D}^{\mu\nu} W_\nu^-$	$4(-2c_3 + c_4^-) + 4c_4^+ \cos\theta$	$2(c_W + c_{HW})$
(2) $\frac{h}{v} W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^{-\mu\nu}$	$-4(c_4^+ - 2c_5^+) \cos\theta - 4(c_4^- + 2c_5^-)$	$-2c_{HW}$
(3) $\frac{h}{v} Z_\mu \mathcal{D}^{\mu\nu} Z_\nu$	$\frac{4c_{2\theta_W}}{c_{\theta_W}^2} (-2c_3 + c_4^-) + \frac{4}{c_{\theta_W}^2} c_4^+ \cos\theta$	$2c_W + c_{HW} + 2t_{\theta_W}^2 (c_B + c_{HB})$
(4) $\frac{h}{v} Z_{\mu\nu} Z^{\mu\nu}$	$-\frac{2}{c_{\theta_W}^2} (c_4^+ - 2c_5^+) \cos\theta - \frac{2}{c_{\theta_W}^2} (c_4^- + 2c_5^-) c_{2\theta_W}$	$-(c_{HW} + t_{\theta_W}^2 c_{HB})$
(5) $\frac{h}{v} Z_\mu \mathcal{D}^{\mu\nu} A_\nu$	$8(-2c_3 + c_4^-) t_{\theta_W}$	$2t_{\theta_W} (c_W + c_{HW}) - 2t_{\theta_W} (c_B + c_{HB})$
(6) $\frac{h}{v} Z_{\mu\nu} A^{\mu\nu}$	$-4(c_4^- + 2c_5^-) t_{\theta_W}$	$-t_{\theta_W} (c_{HW} - c_{HB})$

TABLE I: Single Higgs coupling coefficients C_i^h for the non-linearity case (NL) and the purely dimension-six case (D6). Here

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$igc_{\theta_W} W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu\nu} Z_\nu + h.c.$	$\frac{2}{c_{\theta_W}^2} (-2c_3 + c_4^-) \cos \theta + \frac{2}{c_{\theta_W}^2} c_4^+$	δg_1^Z
$igc_{\theta_W} W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} Z_{\mu\nu}$	$\frac{2}{c_{\theta_W}^2} (2c_3 - c_4^-) \cos \theta - \frac{2}{c_{\theta_W}^2} (c_4^+ c_{2\theta_W} + 4c_5^+ s_{\theta_W}^2)$	$\delta \kappa_Z$
$ieW^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} A_{\mu\nu}$	$-4(c_4^+ - 2c_5^+)$	$\delta \kappa_\gamma$
$ig\frac{h}{v} W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu\nu} Z_\nu + h.c.$	$-\frac{4}{c_{\theta_W}} c_4^+ \cos \theta + \frac{1}{c_{\theta_W}} (2c_3 - c_4^-) (1 + 3 \cos 2\theta) - \frac{16}{c_{\theta_W}} (c_3 + c_5^- - c_5^+ \cos \theta) c_{\theta_W}^2$	
$ie\frac{h}{v} W_\mu^+ W^{-\mu\nu} A_\nu + h.c.$	$-16(c_3 + c_5^- - c_5^+ \cos \theta)$	
$ig\frac{h}{v} W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} Z_{\mu\nu}$	$\frac{2}{c_{\theta_W}} (4c_3 - 2c_4^+) \cos^2 \theta + \frac{2}{c_{\theta_W}} (-2c_3 + c_4^-) \sin^2 \theta + 16c_{\theta_W} (c_3 + c_5^-) - \frac{4}{c_{\theta_W}} (4c_5^+ + c_4^+ c_{2\theta_W}) \cos \theta$	
$ie\frac{h}{v} W^{+\mu} W^{-\nu} A_{\mu\nu}$	$16(c_3 + c_5^-) - 8c_4^+ \cos \theta$	
$ig' W_{[\mu}^+ W_{\nu]}^- B^\mu \frac{\partial^\nu h}{v}$	$-8c_4^+ \frac{\cos 2\theta}{\sin \theta} + 8 \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} (2c_3 - c_4^- + 3c_3 \sin^2 \theta)$	

TABLE III: Triple gauge boson couplings.

There are many predictions:

$$\frac{C_5^{h^2}}{C_5^h} = \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta, \quad \frac{C_6^{h^2}}{C_6^h} = \frac{1}{2} \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{C_1^{h^2} - \frac{C_5^{h^2}}{2 \tan \theta_W}}{C_1^h - \frac{C_5^h}{2 \tan \theta_W}} = \frac{\cos 2\theta}{2 \cos \theta}, \quad \frac{C_2^{h^2} - \frac{C_6^{h^2}}{\tan \theta_W}}{C_2^h - \frac{C_6^h}{\tan \theta_W}} = \frac{\cos 2\theta}{2 \cos \theta}$$

$$\frac{C_3^{h^2} - \frac{C_5^{h^2} \cos 2\theta_W}{2 \tan \theta_W}}{C_3^h - \frac{C_5^h \cos 2\theta_W}{2 \tan \theta_W}} = \frac{\cos 2\theta}{2 \cos \theta}, \quad \frac{C_4^{h^2} - \frac{C_6^{h^2} \cos 2\theta_W}{2 \tan \theta_W}}{C_4^h - \frac{C_6^h \cos 2\theta_W}{2 \tan \theta_W}} = \frac{\cos 2\theta}{2 \cos \theta}$$

$$\frac{C_1^h - \frac{C_5^h}{2 \tan \theta_W}}{2\delta g_1^Z \cos^2 \theta_W - \frac{C_5^h \cos \theta}{2 \tan \theta_W}} = \cos \theta$$

This is in sharp contrast with SMEFT with arbitrary coefficients,

$$\mathcal{O}_W = \frac{ig}{2} \left(H^\dagger \sigma^a \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H \right) D^\nu W_{\mu\nu}^a, \quad \mathcal{O}_B = \frac{ig'}{2} \left(H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H \right) \partial^\nu B_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{HW} = ig(D^\mu H)^\dagger \sigma^a (D^\nu H) W_{\mu\nu}^a, \quad \mathcal{O}_{HB} = ig'(D^\mu H)^\dagger (D^\nu H) B_{\mu\nu}$$

$$-\frac{C_1^h - \frac{C_5^h}{2 \tan \theta_W}}{2\delta\tilde{g}_1^Z \cos^2 \theta_W + \frac{C_5^h \cos \theta}{2 \tan \theta_W}} \sim 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{c_W + c_{HW} - c_B - c_{HB}}{c_W + c_{HW} + c_B + c_{HB}} \xi$$

While universal nonlinearity predicts

$$-\frac{C_1^h - \frac{C_5^h}{2 \tan \theta_W}}{2\delta\tilde{g}_1^Z \cos^2 \theta_W + \frac{C_5^h \cos \theta}{2 \tan \theta_W}} = \cos \theta = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \xi + \dots$$

Concluding Remarks:

- The Adler's zero should be taken as the defining property of Nambu-Goldstone bosons. Goldstone nonlinear interactions are universal among a common unbroken group H in the IR.
- All composite Higgs models contain a common universal Lagrangian (the symmetry-preserving part.)
- The universal nonlinearity predicts all Higgs couplings to VV with only one free parameter, reflecting the normalization of " f ".
- Testing these relations should be among the top priorities in future experimental programs involving the 125 GeV Higgs.