One Loop Correction to the ρ Parameter in Higgsless Models

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- may be viewed as "dual" to models of dynamical symmetry breaking, such as walking technicolor.

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• It is a non-renormalizable theory. Example, unitarity of $W_L^+W_L^-$ scattering is violated at 1.6 TeV.

N-Site Higgsless Model



 $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{j=0}^{N} W_{j\mu\nu}^{a} W_{j}^{a\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{4}{f^2} \sum_{j=1}^{N+1} (D^{\mu} \Sigma_{j})^{\dagger} D_{\mu} \Sigma_{j}$

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 Flat background with "brane" kinetic terms → approx. equally spaced states.



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• Upper bound on $m_{W_1}: m_{W_1} \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$.

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 However a coupled channel analysis gives much lower bounds.

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• Notice: ψ_L couples to both first and last sites. Non local from a deconstructed point of view, fine in theory space.



• Also, mass term from chain of Σ fields \rightarrow Wilson line in continuum limit \longrightarrow non-local in 5D

$$\mathcal{L}_{Yukawa} = \bar{\psi}_L \Sigma_1 \Sigma_2 \cdots \Sigma_{N+1} \psi_R + h.c.$$

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• To order $(m_W/m_{W_1})^2$ the corrections are purely oblique: $W \sim Y \sim (m_W/m_{W_1})^4$.

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Also, because of custodial symmetry:

 $\Delta \rho \equiv \rho - 1 = 0$

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• First, localized fermions.



• General result for localized fermions (Chivukula et al., 2004):

$$S - 4\cos\theta_W T \gtrsim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

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• t_L = amount of SM left-handed fermion delocalization, t_{u_R} , t_{d_R} = amount of SM right-handed fermion delocalization.

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• SM fermions mostly ψ_{0L} and $\psi_{(N+1)R}$.

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• If $t_L \sim m_W/m_{W_1}$, S can be tuned to zero.

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- At tree level: $S=0, \ T\simeq 0, \ U\simeq 0$

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- With t_L fixed, fermion masses uniquely determined by t_{u_R}, t_{d_R} .

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• Therefore, the only BSM parameter are the gauge and fermion mass scales, f and M .

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- $\Delta \rho \rightarrow 0$ as $t_{t_R} \rightarrow t_{b_R}$. Setting $t_{b_R} = 0$, leading order new physics contribution of order $t_{t_R}^4$.

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- The arbitrary form of $(\Delta \rho)_{new}$, for arbitrary N, is

$$(\Delta \rho)_{new} = \frac{12\kappa}{16\pi^2} \frac{t_{t_R}^4 M^2}{v^2}$$



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- Therefore the theory needs to be UV completed long before reaching the lightest fermion excited mode.

 There are also other bounds on the gauge and fermion mass scales.



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- They impose a strong lower bound on the fermion mass scale: a UV completion is needed before the first heavy mode.