



# New Directions Beyond the Standard Model of Particle Physics

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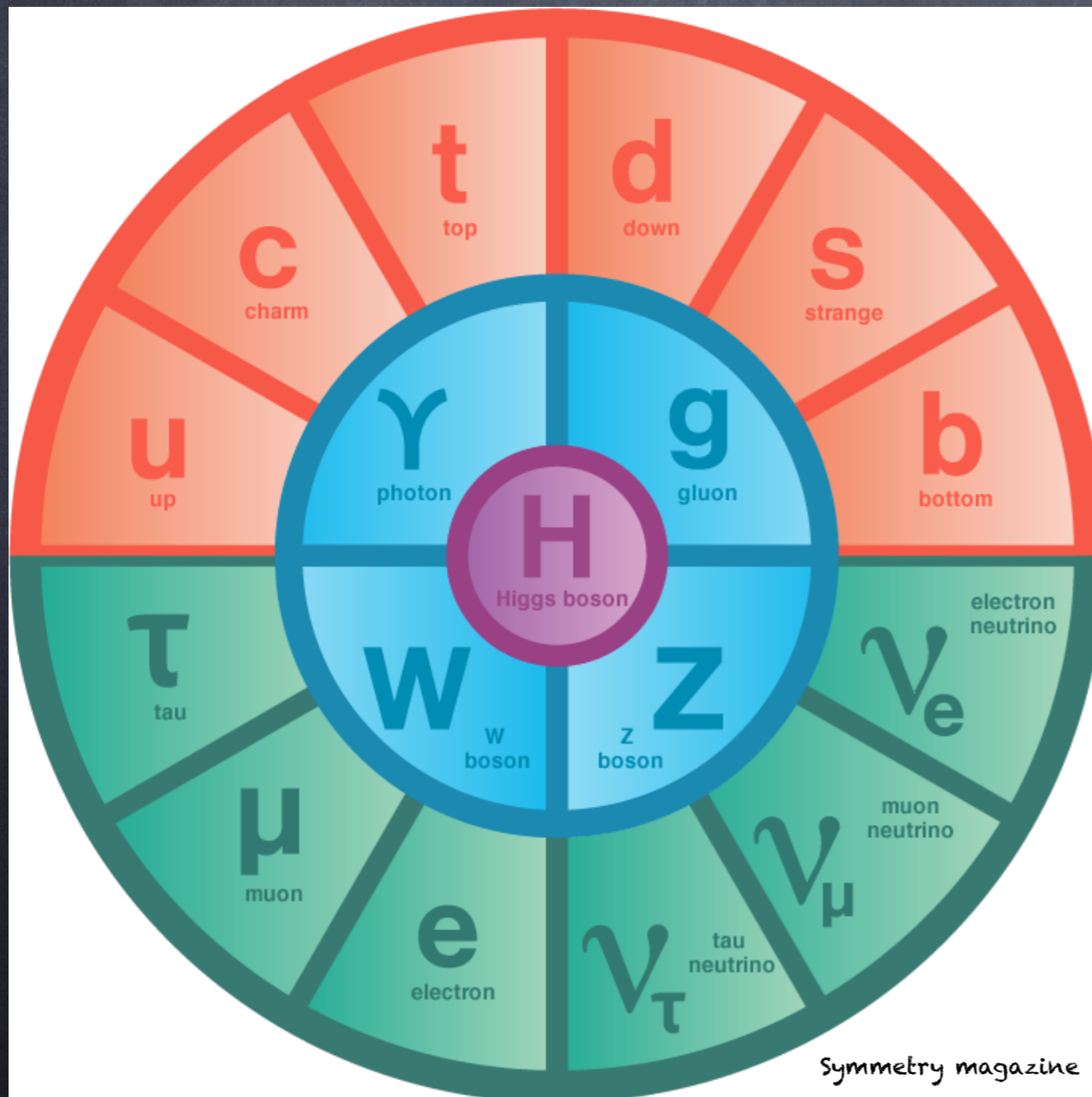
# Who am I?

Recently moved from IPRI Lyon to LPTHE.

- Particle Model Building (BSM)
- Properties of strong dynamics
- Collider phenomenology – FCC programme at CERN
- Inflation
- Black Hole physics
- Models for epidemiology and viral genomics
- ...

# The Standard Model

- Since 2012, the Standard Model of Particle Physics is complete!



The discovery of the Higgs boson completes the puzzle.

Yet, it's not the end of the story!

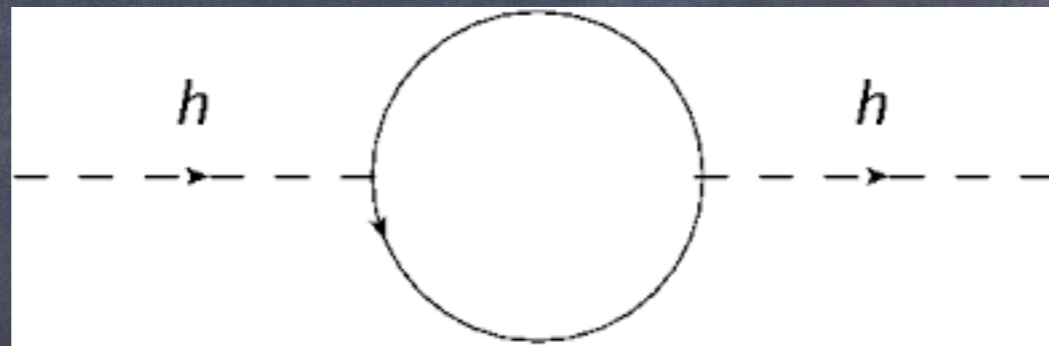
# Beyond the Standard Model?

Many questions still open:

- What is the nature of the Higgs boson?
- What gives mass to neutrinos? (Maybe the Higgs Yukawas – Dirac neutrino masses)
- What is Dark Matter? (Maybe PBHs)
- What caused inflation? (Maybe the Higgs, with non-minimal gravity)
- Is there a strong CP problem? (Maybe not)
- ...

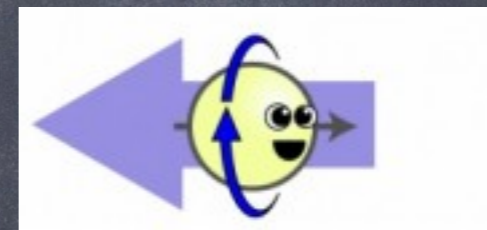
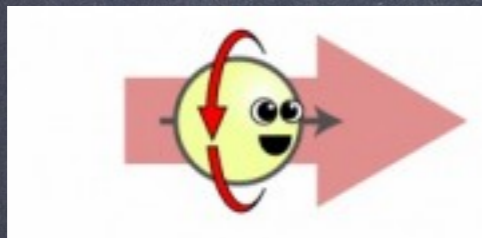
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$$v_{car} \gg v_{particle}$$

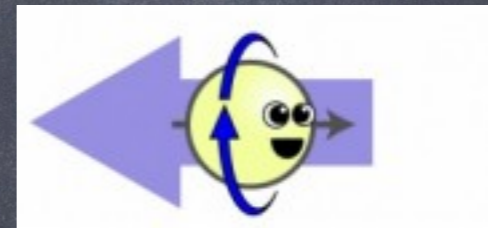
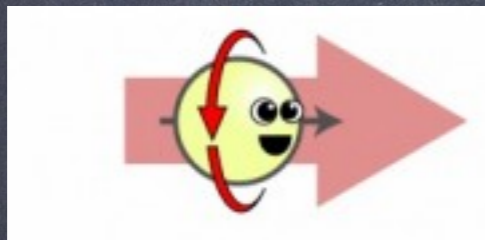


Car rest frame

This is only possible for massive particles!

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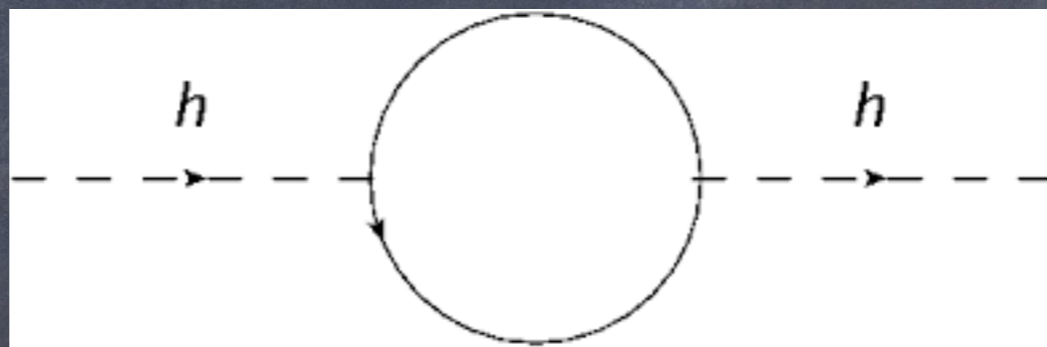
For massless particles ( $v = c$ ), the two spin-configs are independent fields with separate properties.

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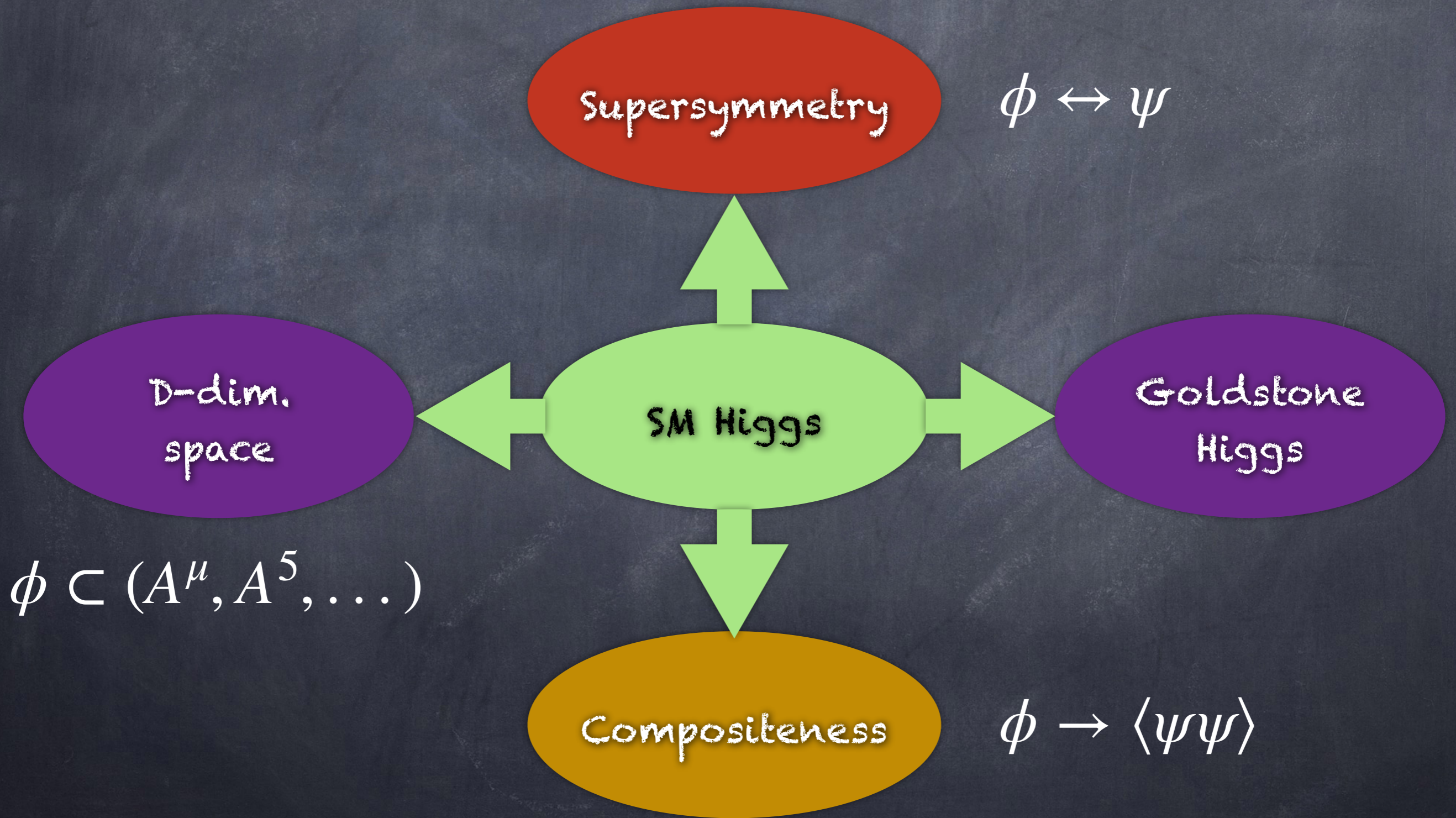


At quantum level:

$$m_h^2 \Big|_{1\text{-loop}} = m_h^2 \left( 1 + \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{M^2}{m_h^2} \right)$$



# Toward naturalness



# New directions:

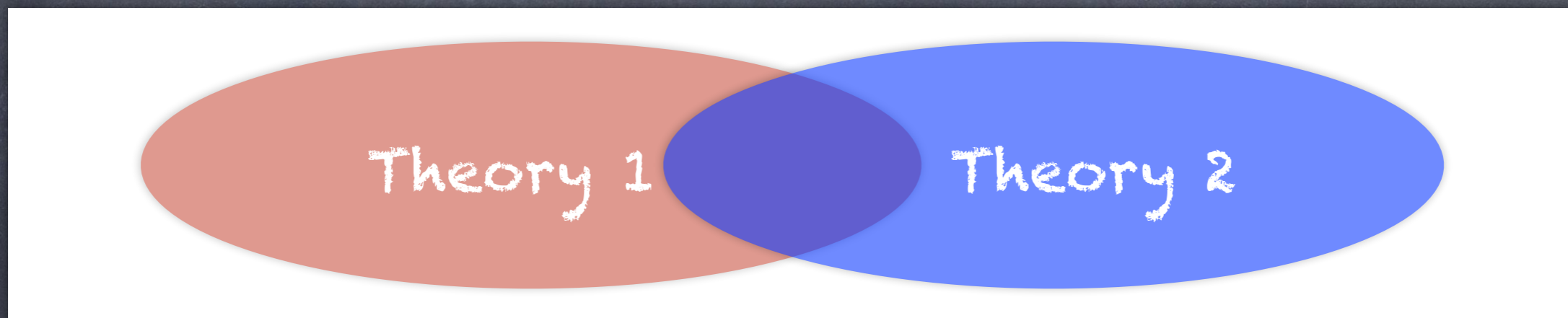
1. Dual Standard Model via Gauge Dualities
2. Asymptotic Grand Unification in  $S$  dimensions



Dual SM

# What is a duality?

Two different theories that describe the same physics



- Share the same global symmetries
- Anomaly matching
- Decoupling limits
- ...

# What is a duality?

$$X = N_f - N. \quad (1)$$

Electric theory (UV)					
Fields	SU(N)	SU(N <sub>f</sub> ) <sub>L</sub>	SU(N <sub>f</sub> ) <sub>R</sub>	U(1) <sub>V</sub>	U(1) <sub>AF</sub>
$\lambda$	Adj	1	1	0	1
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$\tilde{Q}$	$\bar{F}$	1	$\bar{F}$	-1	$-N/N_f$

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$\tilde{q}$	$\bar{F}$	1	$F$	$-N/X$	$-X/N_f$
$M$	1	$F$	$\bar{F}$	0	$-1 + 2X/N_f$
$\phi$	$F$	$\bar{F}$	1	$N/X$	$1 - X/N_f$
$\tilde{\phi}$	$\bar{F}$	1	$F$	$-N/X$	$1 - X/N_f$
$\Phi_H$	1	$F$	$\bar{F}$	0	$2X/N_f$

Scalar-less theory  
valid at high energies

Equivalent theory  
valid at low energies

Can this one be  
related to the  
Standard Model?

# Dual SM

EW symmetry contained in  
 $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \subset SU(6)_L \times SU(6)_R \times U(1)_V$

Cacciapaglia et al, 2407.17281

Scalar-less theory above a  
 certain energy scale!

SM fermions

$$\mathcal{L} \subset yq\tilde{q}\Phi_H$$

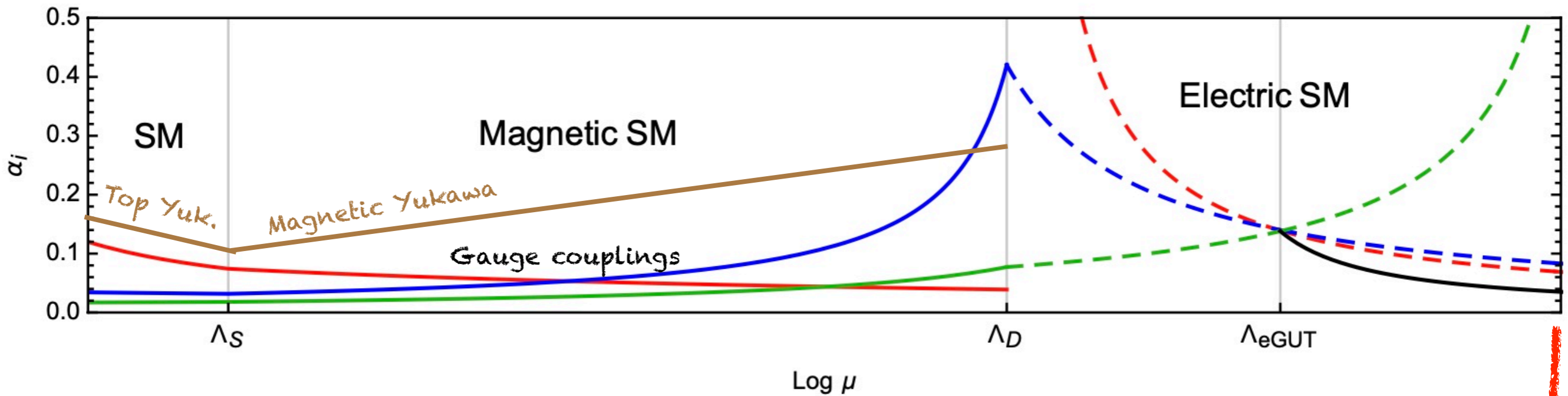
Contains (many) Higgses

Electric theory (UV)					
Fields	SU(3)	SU(6) <sub>L</sub>	SU(6) <sub>R</sub>	U(1) <sub>V</sub>	U(1) <sub>AF</sub>
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$Q$	$F$	$F$	1	1	-1/2
$\tilde{Q}$	$\bar{F}$	1	$\bar{F}$	-1	-1/2
$L$	1	$F$	1	-3	0
$\tilde{L}$	1	1	$\bar{F}$	3	0

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$l \equiv L$	1	$F$	1	-3	0
$\tilde{l} \equiv \tilde{L}$	1	1	$\bar{F}$	3	0
$M$	1	$F$	$\bar{F}$	0	0
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$\tilde{\phi}$	$\bar{F}$	1	$F$	-1	1/2
$\Phi_H$	1	$F$	$\bar{F}$	0	1

# Dual SM

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Mass of non-SM particles

TeV (LHC)

Scale of duality

$10^{11}$  GeV (Neutrinos)

Possible electric GUT

Origin of flavour physics at Planck scale



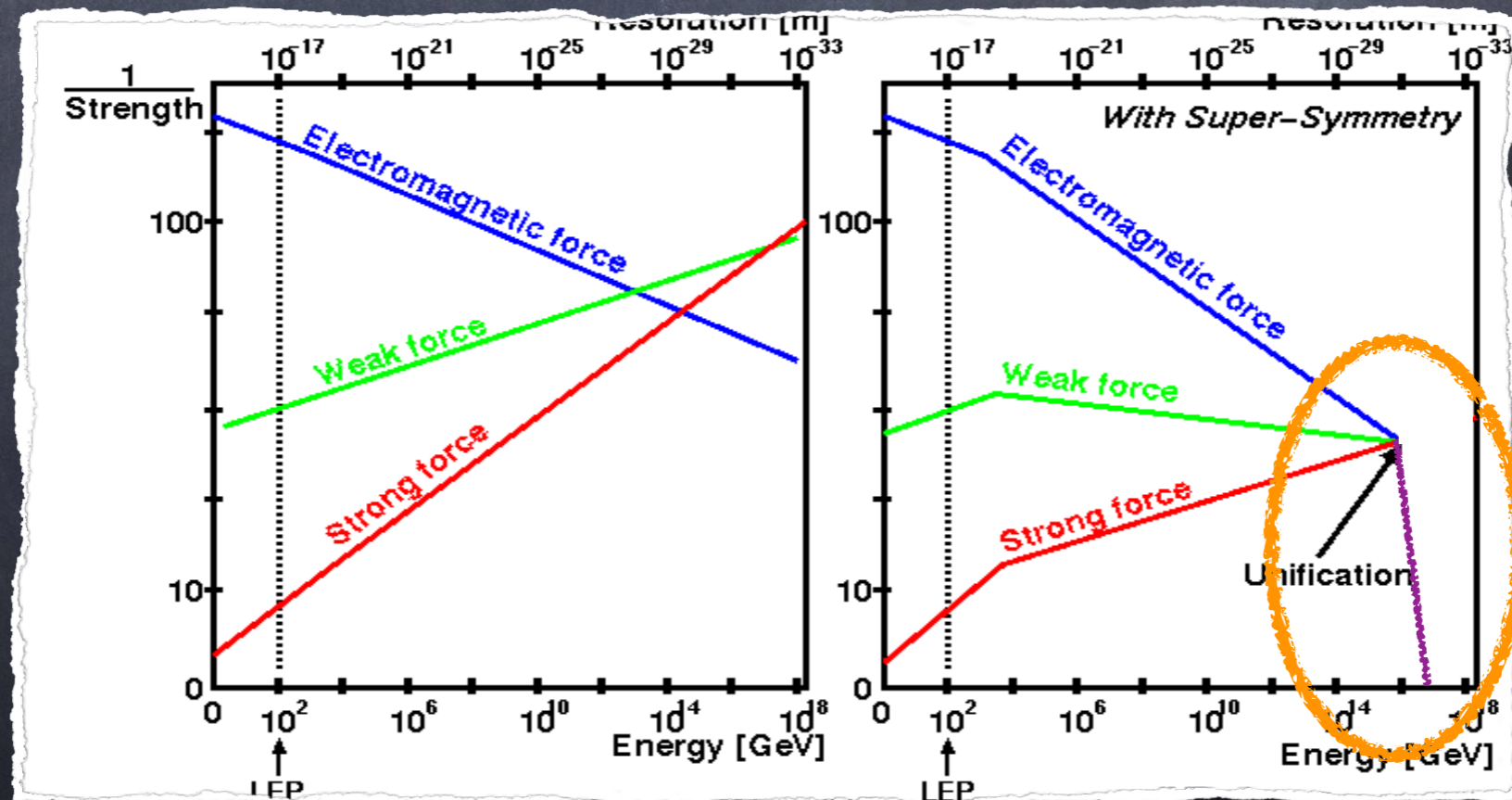


aGUTs,  
aka Asymptotic GUTs



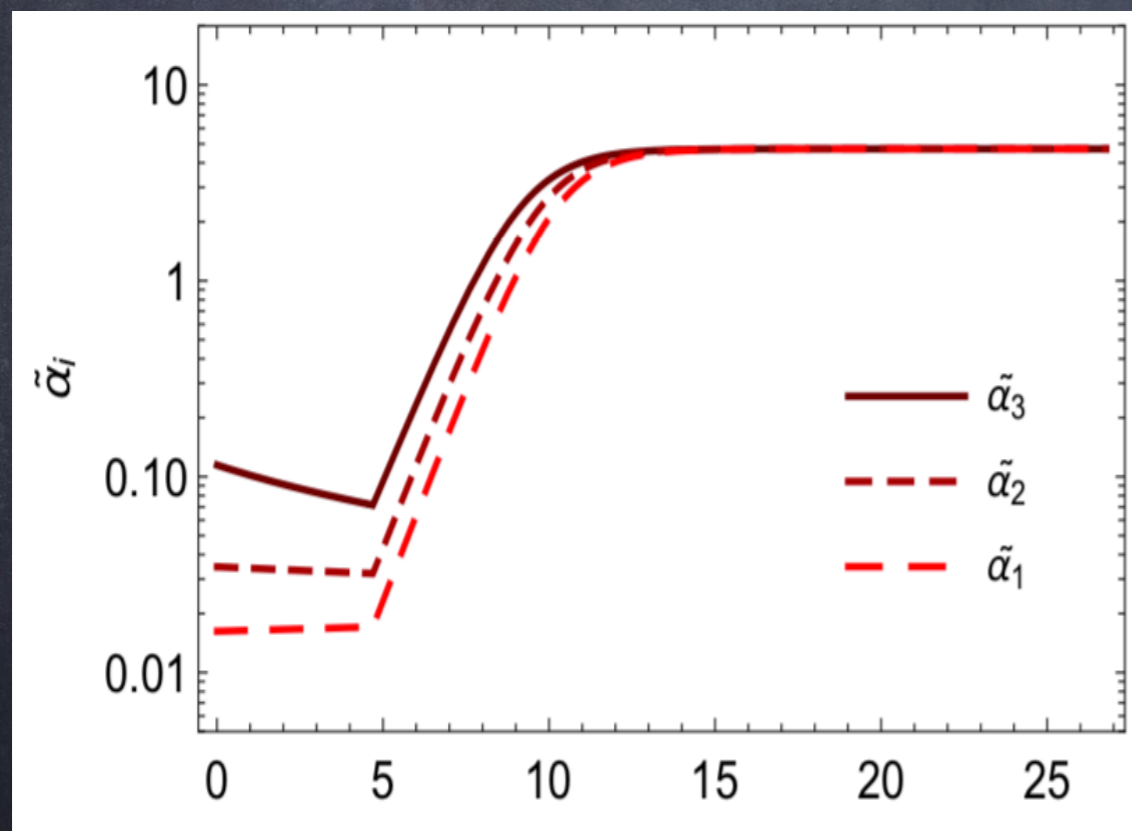
# Traditional GUTs

- SM gauge couplings expected to be equal at the GUT scale
- supersymmetry helps building "realistic" models
- proton decay hard to avoid!



# asymptotic GUT (aGUT)

- Gauge couplings are never equal, but tend to the same UV fixed point!



## B) Extra compact dimensions

$$2\pi \frac{d\alpha}{d \ln \mu} = \mu R b_5 \alpha^2$$

$$\tilde{\alpha} = \mu R \alpha \quad (\text{t Hooft coupling in 5D})$$

$$2\pi \left( \tilde{\alpha} + \frac{d\tilde{\alpha}}{d \ln \mu} \right) = b_5 \tilde{\alpha}^2$$

$$\tilde{\alpha}_{UV} = -\frac{2\pi}{b_5}$$

Gies, PRD 68 (2003)

Morris, JHEP 01 (2005) 002

# aGUT model building

- Many constraints from the UV behaviour: finite number of feasible models.
- We just completed a full classification of aGUTs!

## The most ambitious model:

- Based on exceptional group  $E_6$
- Supersymmetry allows to generate fermions as gauge fields (gauginos)
- In  $E_6$ , the adjoint 78 contains the right states (but in vector-like pairs)

See Kobayashi, Raby, Zhang, Nucl. Phys. B704, 3 (2005)

# The exceptional case

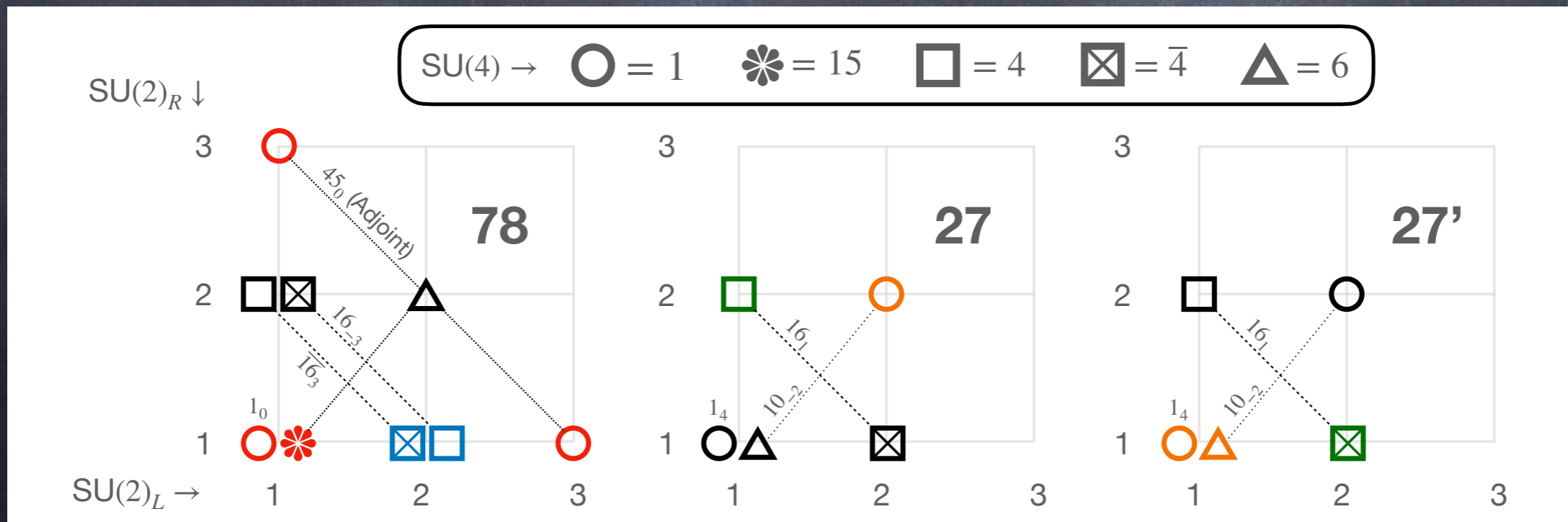
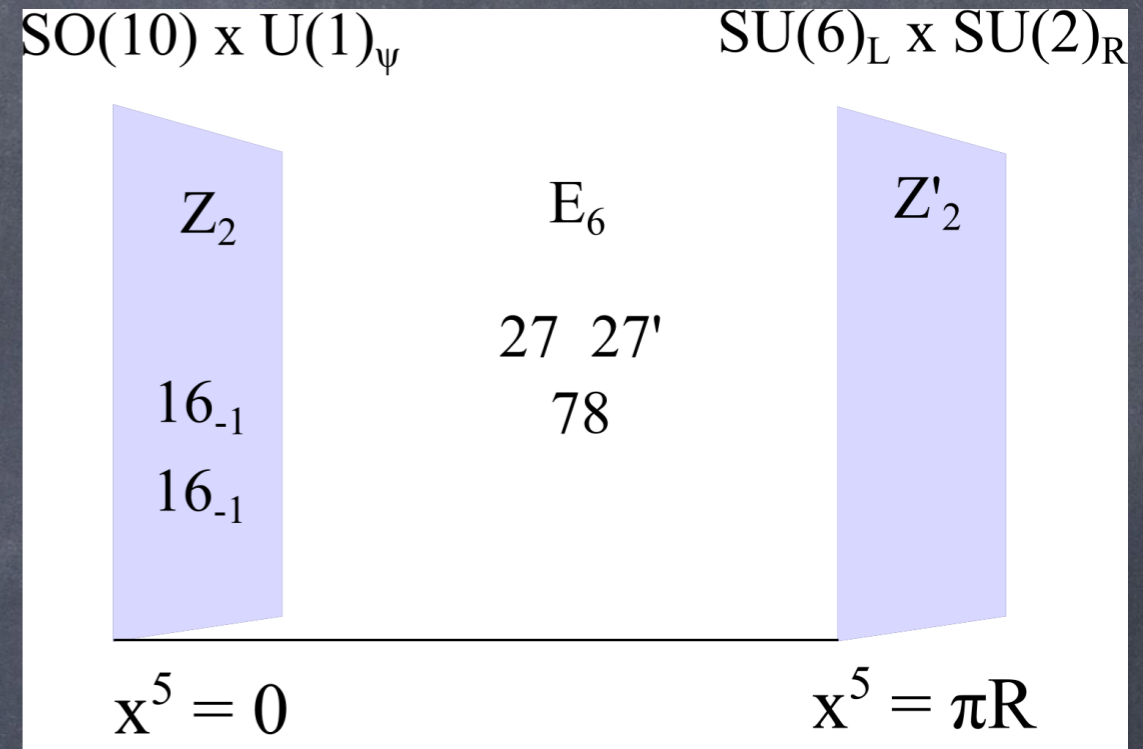
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$$E_6 \rightarrow PS \times U(1)_\psi$$

- The zero modes generate an anomaly for the  $U(1)$  gauge symmetry:

$$\mathcal{A}_{16_1} - \mathcal{A}_{10_{-2}+1_4} = 2\mathcal{A}_{16_1}$$

- Add exactly two generations on the  $SO(10)$  boundary!



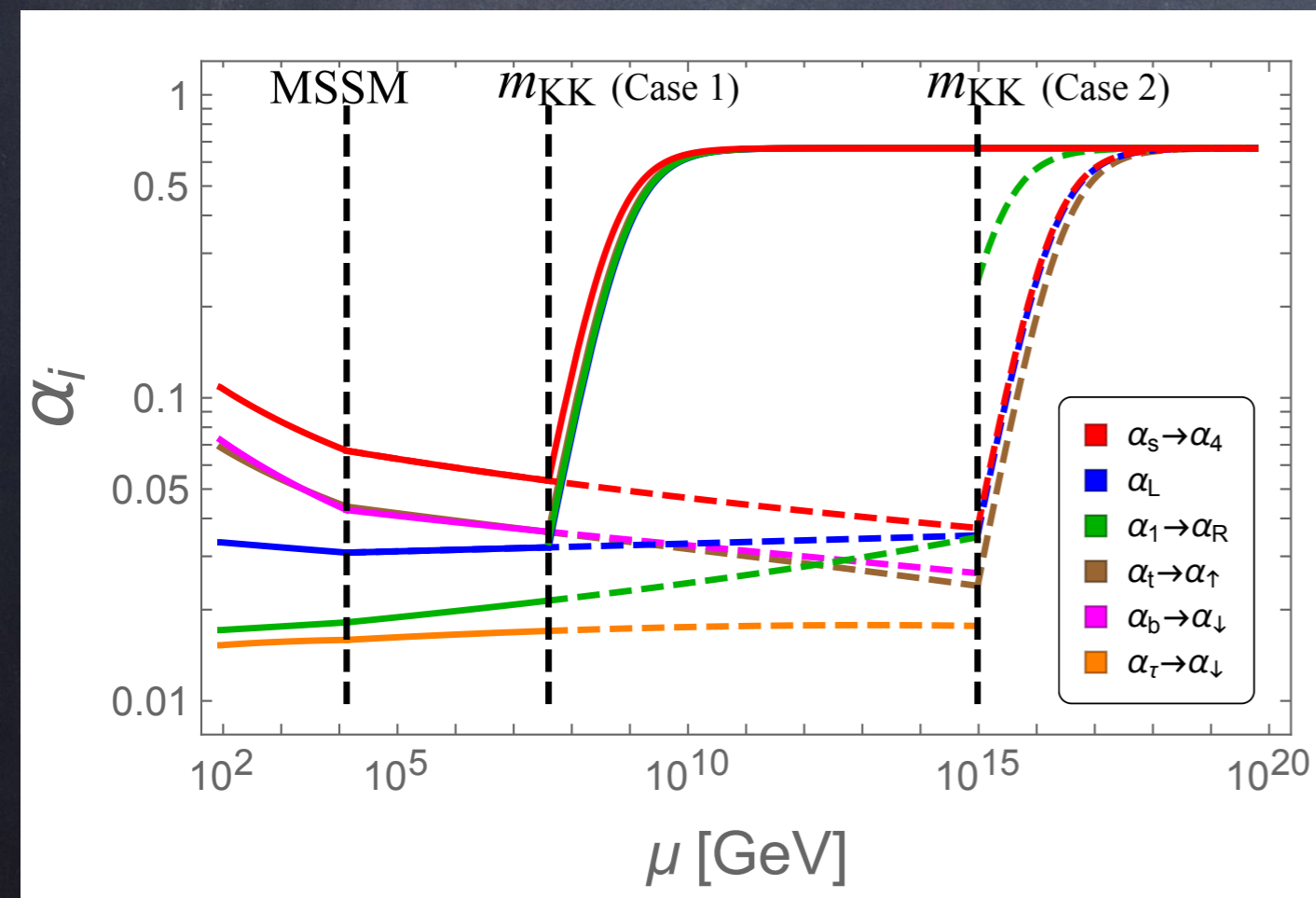
# The fixed point

$$b_5 = -\frac{\pi}{2} \left( C(G) - \sum_i T_i(R_i) \right) = -3\pi$$

$$C(G) = 12 \quad T(27) = 3$$

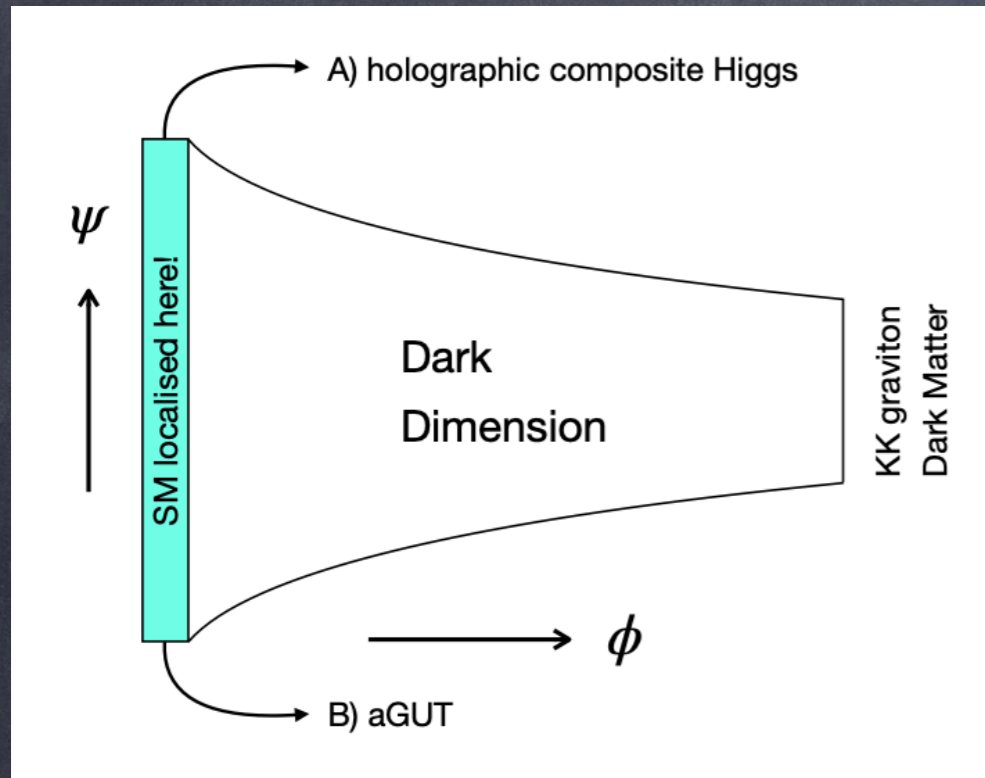
$$\tilde{\alpha}^* = \frac{2}{3}$$

No more than one generation allowed in the bulk!



- PS breaking due to a gauge-scalar
- U(1) breaking by singlet in 27'
- SUSY breaking to be studied

# aGUT out of the Swampland



- The Dark Dimension conjecture relates the Cosmological constant (cc) to an meV extra dimension.
- By warping the DD, we can compute the 5D cc to be:

$$\Lambda_5 = -24 k^3 M_{Pl}^2 \sim (100 \text{ GeV})^5$$

- Hence,  $\Lambda_5$  can be related to a 6th warped extra dimension, with parameters of the order of the fundamental scale  $\sim 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$ .

$$ds_6^2 = e^{-2\tilde{k}\tilde{r}_c|\psi|} \left( e^{-2kr_c|\phi|} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + r_c^2 d\phi^2 \right) + \tilde{r}_c^2 d\psi^2$$

Double-warped extra dimensions.

$$m_5 = \lambda'^{-1} \sqrt[5]{\Lambda_5} \sim \lambda'^{-1} \lambda^{-3/5} \Lambda^{3/20} M_{Pl}^{2/5}$$

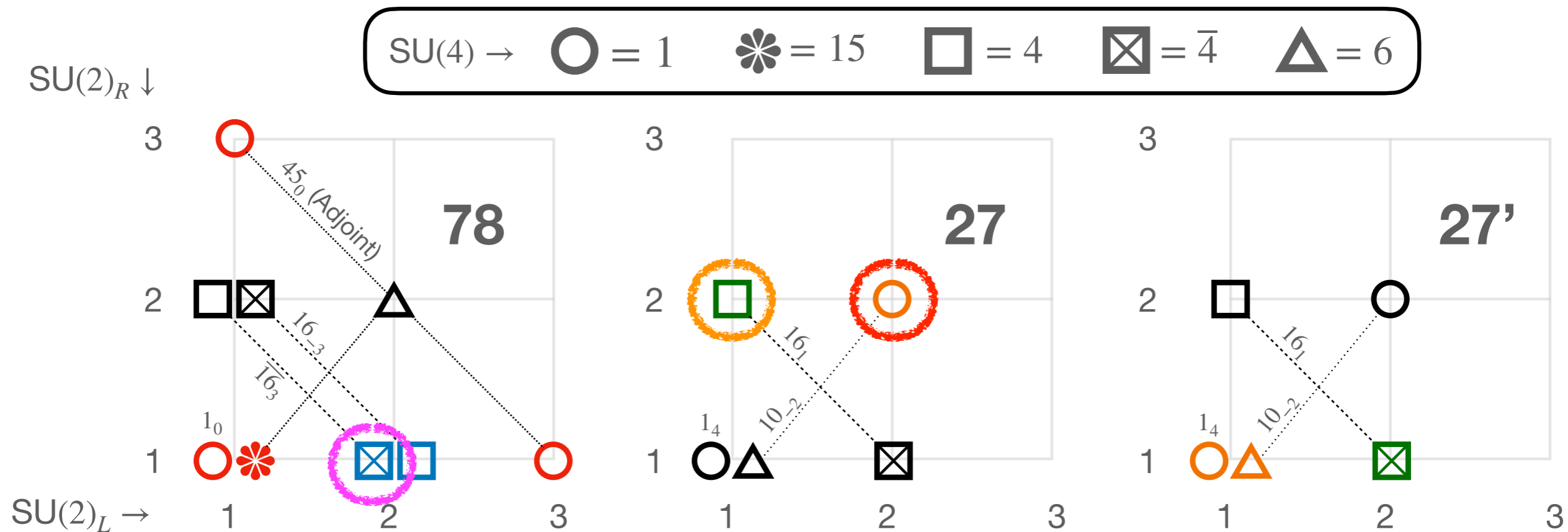
TeV scale naturally emerging from the cc  
And Planck!

# Conclusions

- We still do not know what the Higgs boson is: more experimental efforts needed.
- BSM is still welcome!
- New directions:
  1. Dual SM: use gauge duality to define a "new SM" at high energies
  2. aGUT: asymptotic unification in 5 dimensions

In both cases, the nature of the SM is profoundly changed at high scales!

# The exceptional case



$$g \Phi_{27}^c \Phi_{78} \Phi_{27} \supset \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} (1, 2, 2)_2 (\bar{4}, 1, 2)_{-3} (4, 2, 1)_1$$

→ SM Yukawa couplings!

$$g \Phi_{27'}^c \Phi_{78} \Phi_{27'} \supset -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} (1, 1, 1)_{-4} (4, 1, 2)_3 (\bar{4}, 1, 2)_1$$

$$+ \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} (6, 1, 1)_2 (\bar{4}, 1, 2)_{-3} (\bar{4}, 1, 2)_1$$

→ Gives mass to unwanted Chiral states via U(1) breaking

Bulk interactions preserve Baryon number!