

Renormalization of Asymptotic Grand Unified Theories

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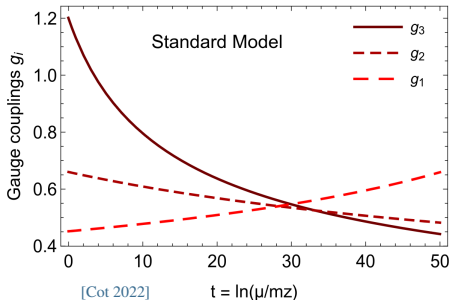
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Introduction: Grand Unified Theories (GUTs)

- ▶ Standard Model: $SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
- ▶ The gauge couplings depends on the energy $\rightarrow$ running , RGE
- ▶ At high energy, the gauge couplings seem to merge: $\Lambda_{\text{GUT}} \sim 10^{16}$ GeV



Unique gauge group at high energy?

- ▶ Example: $SU(5)$

$$\psi_{\bar{5}} = \begin{pmatrix} d_1^c \\ d_2^c \\ d_3^c \\ e \\ -\nu_e \end{pmatrix} \quad \phi_5 = \begin{pmatrix} H_1 \\ H_2 \\ H_3 \\ \varphi_+ \\ -\varphi_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\psi_{10} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u_3^c & -u_2^c & -u_1 & -d_1 \\ -u_3^c & 0 & u_1^c & -u_2 & -d_2 \\ u_2^c & -u_1^c & 0 & -u_3 & -d_3 \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 & 0 & -e^c \\ d_1 & d_2 & d_3 & e^c & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

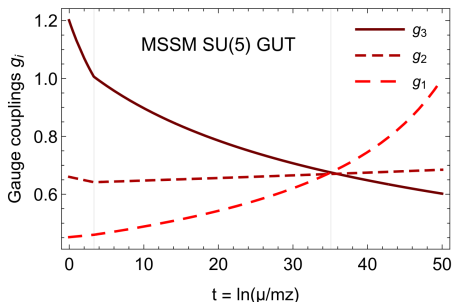
[Georgi, Glashow 1974]

Introduction: Limits of traditional GUTs

- ▶ Assume more gauge bosons → **proton decay**

Example: $SU(5)$, $\mathbf{24} = G(\mathbf{8}, \mathbf{1})_0 \oplus W(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{3})_0 \oplus B(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1})_0 \oplus X(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2})_{-5/6} \oplus Y(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2})_{5/6}$, X and Y allow $p \rightarrow e^+ + \pi^0$

- ▶ Doublet-triplet splitting: mechanisms to make H heavier than φ
- ▶ Large matter representations to break the GUT gauge group → Landau pole
- ▶ Need extra scalar/SUSY to have exact unification:

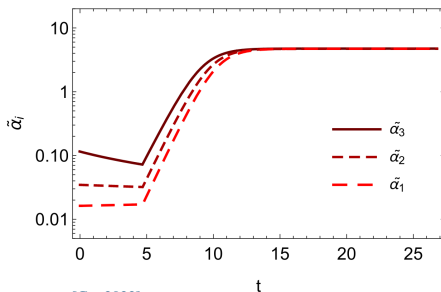


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Introduction: Asymptotic Unification?

Asymptotic Unification

- ▶ New paradigm: No exact unification, gauge couplings tend to the same UV fixed point
[Cacciapaglia, Cornell, Cot, Deandrea 2020] [Abdalgabar, Khojali, Cornell, Cacciapaglia, Deandrea 2017]
- ▶ Realized in asymptotic safe theories or **extra dimension** (power law running)



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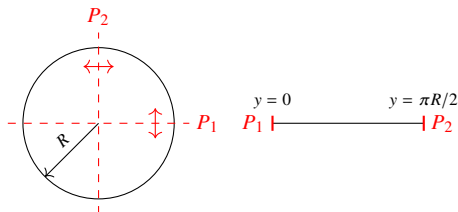
- ▶ Lower effective unification scale, no proton decay, natural doublet-triplet splitting

- I. Construction of Asymptotic GUTs
- II. Renormalization Group Equations (RGE) in 5D
- III. One-Loop renormalization of 5D gauge theories

I. Construction of Asymptotic GUTs

Adding 1 extra dimension

- ▶ Higher dimensional QFT:
 - Gauge group $\mathcal{G}$
 - $\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{R}^4 \times C$, coordinates $\{x^\mu, y\}$
- ▶ Extra dimension compactified on a circle/interval, radius R
- ▶ Define a parity on each boundary: P_1 and P_2



- ▶ Action of the parity on the fields Φ (boundary conditions):

$$P_1 : \Phi(x^\mu, y) \sim P_1 \Phi(x^\mu, -y), \quad P_2 : \Phi(x^\mu, y') \sim P_2 \Phi(x^\mu, -y')$$

- ▶ Choose diagonal basis for P_1 and P_2 : $P_{1,2} \Phi(x^\mu, -y) = \pm \Phi(x^\mu, y)$
- ▶ Classify fields according to their eigenvalues $(P_1, P_2) = (\pm, \pm)$

I. Construction of Asymptotic GUTs

Parities and Symmetry Breaking

- ▶ Kaluza Klein (KK) Decomposition:

$$\phi_{5D}(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \phi_{4D}^{(n)}(x) f_n(y) \quad \text{with} \quad f_n(y) = \begin{cases} (++) & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi R}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi R}} \cos\left(\frac{ny}{R}\right) & \rightarrow m_n = \frac{n}{R} \\ (+-) & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi R}} \cos\left(\frac{(n+1/2)y}{R}\right) & \rightarrow m_n = \frac{n+1/2}{R} \\ (-+) & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi R}} \sin\left(\frac{(n+1/2)y}{R}\right) & \rightarrow m_n = \frac{n+1/2}{R} \\ (--) & \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi R}} \sin\left(\frac{(n+1)y}{R}\right) & \rightarrow m_n = \frac{n+1}{R} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Low energy effective theory: KK towers integrated out, only zero modes coming from $(++)$ states remain
- ▶ Apply it to gauge fields: each parity breaks the GUT gauge group $\mathcal{G}$ at low energies:

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} P_1 : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \\ P_2 : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2 \end{array} \right\} (P_1, P_2) : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_1 \cap \mathcal{H}_2 = \mathcal{H} \supset \mathcal{G}_{\text{SM}}$$

- ▶ Allow construction of models with only the Standard Model fields as zero modes

II. RGE in 5D

Gauge couplings

- Include contributions coming from the KK modes:

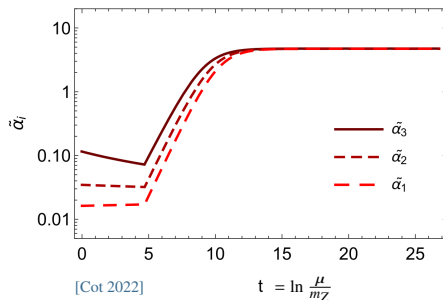
$$2\pi \frac{d\alpha_g}{d \ln \mu} = b_{\text{SM}} \alpha_g^2 + (S(\mu) - 1) b_5 \alpha_g^2$$

$$S(\mu) = \begin{cases} \mu R, & \text{for } \mu \geq 1/R \\ 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- t'Hooft coupling (adimensional): $\tilde{\alpha}_g = \mu R \alpha_g$
- At high energy ($\mu R b_5 \gg b_{\text{SM}}$):

$$2\pi \frac{d\tilde{\alpha}_g}{d \ln \mu} = 2\pi \tilde{\alpha}_g + b_5 \tilde{\alpha}_g^2$$

- Fixed point: $\tilde{\alpha}_g^* = -\frac{2\pi}{b_5} \rightarrow$ exist for $b_5 < 0$



- Example: $SU(5)$, $b_5 = -\frac{4}{3}$

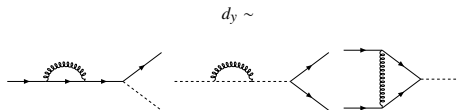
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Yukawa couplings

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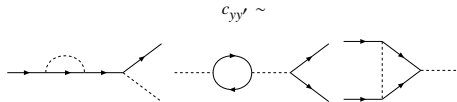
$$16\pi^2 \frac{dy}{d \ln \mu} = \beta_y^{\text{SM}} + (S(\mu) - 1)\beta_y^5$$

$$\beta_y^5 = \sum_{y'} c_{yy'} y y'^2 - d_y y g^2$$



- Similarly for $\alpha_y = y^2/4\pi$ at high energy:

$$2\pi \frac{d\tilde{\alpha}_y}{d \ln \mu} = 2\pi \tilde{\alpha}_y + \sum_{y'} c_{yy'} \tilde{\alpha}_y \tilde{\alpha}_{y'} - d_y \tilde{\alpha}_g \tilde{\alpha}_y$$



- Fixed point: $\tilde{\alpha}_y^* = \sum_{y'} c_{yy'}^{-1} (d_y \tilde{\alpha}_g^* - 2\pi)$
- Repulsive fixed point: $\sum_{y'} c_{yy'} > 0$, then also need $d_y \tilde{\alpha}_g > 2\pi$

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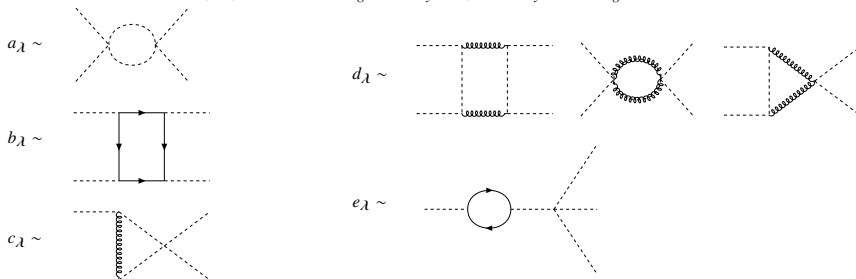
Scalar couplings

- ▶ Quartic coupling: $\frac{\lambda}{4!} \phi^4$
- ▶ RGE at high energy for $\alpha_\lambda = \lambda/4\pi$:

$$4\pi \frac{d\tilde{\alpha}_\lambda}{d\ln(\mu)} = 4\pi \tilde{\alpha}_\lambda + a_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_\lambda^2 - b_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_y^2 + d_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_g^2 - c_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_g \tilde{\alpha}_\lambda + e_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_y.$$

- ▶ Fixed point $\tilde{\alpha}_\lambda^*$ can be obtained by solving:

$$a_\lambda^* \tilde{\alpha}_\lambda^2 + (4\pi - c_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_g^* + e_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_y^*) \tilde{\alpha}_\lambda^* - b_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_y^2 + d_\lambda \tilde{\alpha}_g^{*2} = 0.$$



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- ▶ Mass dimensions of fields and couplings in $d = 5$:

$$[A_M] = m \quad [\Psi] = m^2 \quad [\Phi] = m^{3/2} \quad [g_d] = [y_d] = m^{-1/2} \quad [\lambda_d] = m^{-1}$$

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Bulk Divergences

- Dimensional Analysis: general loop in d dimensions

$$I_d \sim \int \frac{d^d k}{(2\pi)^d} \frac{f(k^M, k^2)}{\Delta(k^2)}$$

Number of propagators
↓
 $\Delta(k^2) \sim k^{2n}$ $f \sim k^{2m}$

$n - m$	$d =$				Examples
	4	5	6	7	
1	Λ^2	Λ^3	Λ^4	Λ^5	Scalar masses
2	log	Λ	Λ^2	Λ^3	Coupling renormalization
3	finite	finite	log	Λ	Four-fermions, $(\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^3$
≥ 4	finite	finite	finite	finite	

- $d = 4$ and $d = 5$ share the same divergent integrals
- In $d = 5$, counter-terms absorbed **linear** divergences instead of **logarithmic**

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Localized Divergences

- Orbifold constraints modify the 5D propagators ($\xi = 1$):

[Georgi, Grant, Hailu 2001]

[Gersdoff, Irges, Quiros 2002]

[Cheng, Matchev, Schmaltz 2002]

$$G_{MN}^A(p, p_5) = \frac{-ig_{MN}}{2(p^2 - p_5^2)} (\delta_{p_5, p'_5} + \alpha^M_{\pm 1} \delta_{-p_5, p'_5}) \quad G_{\Phi}^{\pm}(p, p_5) = \frac{i}{2(p^2 - p_5^2)} (\delta_{p_5, p'_5} \pm \delta_{-p_5, p'_5})$$

$$G_{\Psi}^{\pm}(p, p_5) = \frac{i}{2(\not{p} + i\gamma_5 p_5)} (\delta_{p_5, p'_5} \pm \delta_{-p_5, p'_5} \gamma_5)$$

- Amplitude:

$$i\Sigma = \underbrace{p_5 \text{ conserving}}_{\text{BULK} \leftarrow} + \underbrace{p_5 \text{ non conserving}}_{\rightarrow \text{LOCALIZED}}$$

- Leads to divergences localized on the boundaries

$$S_5 = \int d^5x \left\{ \mathcal{L}_5 + \left[\mathcal{L}_4 \frac{\delta(y) + \delta(y - \pi R)}{2\pi R} \right] \right\}$$

- 5D Renormalizable $\rightarrow$ $\mathcal{L}_4$ also 4D Renormalizable

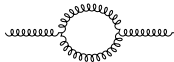
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Localized Divergences in Yang-Mills

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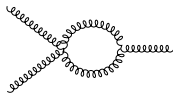
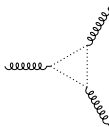
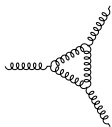
- ▶ 2 point function:

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}^{\text{loc, gauge}} = \frac{g^2}{64\pi^2} \ln\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{\mu^2}\right) \delta^{AA'} \overset{\text{Group Factor}}{C} \left[(g_{\mu\nu} p^2 - p_\mu p_\nu) \left(\frac{11}{3} - (\xi - 1) \right) + g_{\mu\nu} \frac{p_5^2 + p_5'^2}{2} (4 + (\xi - 1)) \right] \sim (\partial_5^2 A_\mu^A) A^{A,\mu} + A_\mu^A (\partial_5^2 A^{A,\mu})$$



- ▶ 3 point function:

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu\rho}^{\text{loc}} = \frac{g^3 f^{ABC}}{64\pi^2} C \ln\left(\frac{\Lambda^2}{\mu^2}\right) O_{\mu\nu\rho} \left[\frac{14}{3} + \frac{3}{4}(1 - \xi) \right]$$



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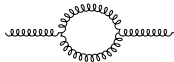
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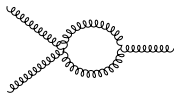
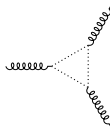
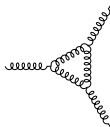
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Full Localized Renormalized Lagrangian

- ▶ Add counterterms coming from fermionic and scalar couplings
- ▶ Localized Renormalized Lagrangian ($\xi = -3$):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_4 = & -\frac{A}{4g^2} F_{\mathcal{H}}^{\mu\nu} F_{\mathcal{H},\mu\nu} + B_1 i\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D} \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2} \psi + B_2 \left[(\partial_5 \bar{\psi}) \frac{1 \pm \gamma_5}{2} \psi - \bar{\psi} \frac{1 \mp \gamma_5}{2} (\partial_5 \psi) \right] + \\ & + C_1 (\mathcal{D}_\mu \phi_e)^\dagger (\mathcal{D}^\mu \phi_e) + C_2 \left[(\partial_5^2 \phi_e^\dagger) \phi_e + \phi_e^\dagger (\partial_5^2 \phi_e) \right] + C_3 (\partial_5 \phi_o)^\dagger (\partial_5 \phi_o) + \\ & - m_{\text{loc}}^2 (\phi_e^\dagger \phi_e) - D (\phi_e^\dagger \phi_e)^2\end{aligned}$$

$\longrightarrow$ Even scalar

$\longrightarrow$ Odd scalar

- ▶ Finite number of counterterms at one-loop, no higher order operators

Conclusion

- ▶ 5D $\rightarrow$ Modification of the RGE $\rightarrow$ Possibility of UV fixed points
- ▶ 5D theories can be computed at one-loop, finite number of counterterms
- ▶ Going beyond one-loop? Naive dimensional analysis of the N -loop integral:

$$I_N \sim \left(\prod_{i=1}^N \int d^d k_i \right) \frac{f(k_i^2, k_j \cdot k_l) \sim k^{2m}}{\left(\prod_{i=1}^N (k_i^2)^{n_i} \right) \left(\prod_{l>j} ((k_l - k_j)^2)^{n_{lj}} \right)} \quad n_l = \sum_i n_i + \sum_{l>j} n_{lj} - m$$

- ▶ Suggests for $2n_l = 5N$ new **logarithmic** divergences in $d = 5$ in the bulk
- ▶ 5D theory not valid to arbitrary scales but could still break down much higher than the compactification scale in the presence of fixed points
- ▶ Need more detailed analysis for higher loops, using Zimmermann's forest equations