Electroweak Phase Transition and Baryogenesis in Composite Higgs Models

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Electroweak baryogenesis in a nutshell

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- Appealing scenario to generate baryon asymmetry of the universe
- CP-violating effects in bubble wall create CP-asymmetry
- Then turned into baryon asymmetry by sphalerons in front of wall
- Inside bubble sphalerons are inactive and baryon asymmetry is frozen in

Electroweak baryogenesis in a nutshell



But electroweak baryogenesis does not work in SM because

- a) EW phase transition not first-order
- b) CP-violation from CKM too small

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Here instead: Assume supercooling and single-step phase transition. Then

- \bullet confining phase transition first-order \Rightarrow electroweak phase transition first-order too
- additional CP-violation from varying Yukawas during phase transition

Overview

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- Higgs emerges as bound state from confining sector
- Higgs pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone boson from confining sector
 ⇒ lighter than confinement scale (similar to pion in QCD)
- Solves (most of the) hierarchy problem
- Often assumed coset $SO(5)/SO(4) \Rightarrow$ custodial symmetry
- SO(5) explicitly broken by coupling to SM sector \Rightarrow Higgs potential

$$V[heta] \supset g_{\star}^2 f^4 rac{3\,\xi^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left(c_{lpha}\,\sin^2 heta\,+\,c_{eta}\,\sin^4 heta
ight)$$

$${\cal L}_{\sf kin}\,=\,{1\over 2}f^2(\partial_\mu heta)^2$$

- \Rightarrow Canonically normalized field is $h \equiv f \theta$
- g_{\star} sets masses of composite states: $m_{\star} \approx g_{\star} f$

Yukawa couplings from partial compositeness

• SM fermions couple to fermionic operators $\mathcal{O}_{L,R}$,

$$\mathcal{L} \ \supset \ rac{1}{\Lambda_{\mathrm{UV}}^{\gamma_{L,R}}} \mathcal{O}_L \psi_R \ + \ rac{1}{\Lambda_{\mathrm{UV}}^{\gamma_{L,R}}} \mathcal{O}_R \psi_L$$

with $\gamma_{\scriptscriptstyle L,R} =$ dim. of $\mathcal{O}_{\scriptscriptstyle L,R} - 5/2$. At energies \ll confinement scale Λ_c

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{eff.}} \supset \xi_L \Lambda_c \, \psi_R \psi_L^{\mathrm{comp.}} + \xi_R \Lambda_c \, \psi_L \psi_R^{\mathrm{comp.}} \qquad \mathrm{with} \quad \xi_{L,R} = \left(\frac{\Lambda_c}{\Lambda_{\mathrm{IIV}}} \right)^{\gamma_{L,R}}$$

• Composite fermions couple to Higgs \Rightarrow Yukawa couplings:



Yukawa couplings from partial compositeness

• Integrate out $\psi_L^{\text{comp.}}$ and $\psi_R^{\text{comp.}} \Rightarrow$ Yukawa coupling:

$$y \sim \frac{1}{g_{\star}} \xi_L \xi_R \sim \frac{1}{g_{\star}} \left(\frac{\Lambda_c}{\Lambda_{\rm UV}} \right)^{\gamma_L} \left(\frac{\Lambda_c}{\Lambda_{\rm UV}} \right)^{\gamma_R}$$

• For $y_t \sim 1$ need operators with $|\gamma_{_{L,R}}| \ll 1$ and thus dim. pprox 5/2

- If composite sector contains only fermions (scalars reintroduce hierarchy problem!), $\mathcal{O}_{L,R} \sim \psi \bar{\psi} \psi$ and dim. $\sim 9/2$ at weak coupling
- \Rightarrow Strong coupling to get large anomalous dimension and dim. $\sim 5/2$
- Confining sector near fixed point during most of RG evolution
- \Rightarrow Confining sector is (weakly-broken, strongly-coupled) CFT

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The dilaton and its potential

• Need to break CFT. \Leftrightarrow Some condensate χ develops. But in CFT

$$V[\chi] = c_\chi g_\chi^2 \chi^4$$

 $\bullet \Rightarrow$ No spontaneous breaking. Instead break CFT explicitly

$$\mathcal{L}\,=\,\mathcal{L}_{ ext{CFT}}\,-\,\epsilon_{_{ ext{UV}}}oldsymbol{\Lambda}_{_{ ext{UV}}}^{\gamma_{\epsilon}}\,\mathcal{O}_{ ext{CFT}}$$

with dimension of $\mathcal{O}_{\mathsf{C} \not\models \mathsf{T}} = 4 - \gamma_{\epsilon}$ and $0 < \gamma_{\epsilon} \ll 1$.

$$\Rightarrow V[\chi] \supset c_{\chi} g_{\chi}^2 \chi^4 - \epsilon_{_{\mathrm{UV}}} \Lambda_{_{\mathrm{UV}}}^{\gamma_{\epsilon}} \chi^{4-\gamma_{\epsilon}}$$
 $\Rightarrow \chi_0 = \Lambda_c \sim \left(rac{\epsilon_{_{\mathrm{UV}}}}{c_{\chi} g_{\chi}}
ight)^{1/\gamma_{\epsilon}} \Lambda_{\mathrm{UV}}$

• Identify χ with dilaton, the pNGB of broken conformal invariance.

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Combining the Higgs and dilaton potentials

• So far:

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ight) & ext{with} \quad \xi = \left(rac{\Lambda_c}{\Lambda_{ ext{UV}}}
ight)^{\gamma_{L,R}} \ V[\chi] \supset c_\chi g_\chi^2 \chi^4 - \epsilon_{ ext{UV}} \Lambda_{ ext{UV}}^{\gamma_\epsilon} \chi^{4-\gamma_\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

- χ sets all mass scales in composite sector $\Rightarrow \Lambda_c \to \chi$ and $f \to f[\chi]$
- Dimensional analysis and large-N counting $\Rightarrow g_{\star}f = g_{\chi}\chi$
- Similarly find kinetic terms:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathsf{kin}}\,=\,rac{1}{2}rac{g_{\chi}^2}{g_{\star}^2}\chi^2(\partial_{\mu} heta)^2+rac{1}{2}(\partial_{\mu}\chi)^2$$

Valleys in the potential

• Higgs potential now:

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$$V[\theta, \chi] \supset \left(\frac{g_{\chi}}{g_{\star}}\chi\right)^{4} \left(\kappa_{\alpha}[\chi] \sin^{2}\theta + \kappa_{\beta}[\chi] \sin^{4}\theta\right)$$

with $\kappa_{\alpha,\beta}[\chi] = \sum_{n_{f}} c_{\alpha,\beta}^{f} g_{\star}^{2} \frac{3\xi_{f}^{2}[\chi]}{(4\pi)^{2}} \text{ and } \xi_{f}[\chi] = \left(\frac{\chi}{\Lambda_{\text{UV}}}\right)^{\gamma_{f_{L,R}}}$

• Observed Higgs mass and vev require tuning. Take into account by

$$egin{aligned} \kappa_lpha[\chi] &
ightarrow -rac{1}{4}m_{
m Higgs}^2 + \kappa_lpha[\chi] - \kappa_lpha[\chi_0] \ \kappa_eta[\chi] &
ightarrow rac{1}{8}m_{
m Higgs}^2/\sin^2(v_{
m EW}/f_0) + \kappa_eta[\chi] - \kappa_eta[\chi_0] \end{aligned}$$

 $\Rightarrow \text{ local minima: } \theta = v_{\rm EW}/f_0 \quad (\text{Higgs vev today})$ $\theta = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \sim \frac{\pi}{4} \quad (\text{for } \chi \neq \chi_0 \text{ and depending on signs of } c_{\alpha,\beta})$

Valleys in the potential



The potential at finite temperature

• For CFT with N colors, free energy given by

$$F_{
m CFT}[\chi=0]\,\sim\,-N^2\,T^4$$

• For $\chi > T/g_{\chi}$, composite states heavy, contribution negligible:

 $F_{\rm conf.}[\chi > T/g_{\chi}] \simeq V[heta,\chi]$

• Interpolate between $F_{CFT}[\chi = 0]$ and $F_{conf.}[\chi > T/g_{\chi}]$:



Tunneling in the (θ, χ) -potential



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Numerical study

When phase transition sufficiently strong for electroweak baryogenesis, i.e. $h[T_n]/T_n \gtrsim 1$? Fix parameters for scan:

- $f_0 = 800 \,\text{GeV}$ (experimental constraints: $v_{\text{EW}}^2 / f_0^2 \lesssim 0.1...0.2$)
- Large-*N* estimates: $g_{\star} = 4\pi/\sqrt{N}$ and $g_{\chi} = 4\pi/\sqrt{N}$ (meson-like dilaton) or $g_{\chi} = 4\pi/N$ (glueball-like dilaton)
- Focus on charm with $\gamma_{c_L} = -0.735$ for $E < \chi_0$ (see later)
- Trade γ_ϵ and $\epsilon_{_{
 m UV}}$ for dilaton mass m_χ and $\chi_0~(=g_\star f_0/g_\chi)$
- Choose $c_{\chi} = 0.5$
- For charm choose $c_{\alpha} = -c_{\beta} = 1 \Rightarrow$ valley in potential along $\theta = \pi/4$
- Scan over free parameters $m_{\chi}(50 \text{ GeV} \dots 1 \text{ TeV})$ and $N(3 \dots 15)$

Results: phase transition strength $h[T_n]/T_n$

For electroweak baryogenesis need $h[T_n]/T_n \gtrsim 1$ to suppress sphalerons inside bubbles.



Results: supercooling T_c/T_n

In order to avoid runaway bubbles, phase transition should not be too supercooled, $T_c/T_n \sim \mathcal{O}(\text{few})$.



CP-violation from varying Yukawas

Phase transition can be strongly first-order. What about CP-violation?

CP-violating term in transport equation: $S_{CP} \propto \text{Im} \left[V^{\dagger} M^{\dagger''} M V \right]$

[S. Bruggisser, T. Konstandin, G. Servant, 1706.08534]



- $M = Y H(z) \Rightarrow S_{CP} \propto \operatorname{Im} \left[V^{\dagger} Y^{\dagger} Y V \right] = 0$
- $M = Y(z) H(z) \Rightarrow S_{QP} \neq 0$
- Here: $Y = Y(\chi(z)) \neq \text{const.}$, where χ is the dilaton

Varying Yukawas in composite Higgs



• Yukawa couplings for constant $\gamma_{_{L,R}}~(\Lambda_c o \chi)$

$$y \sim \frac{1}{g_{\star}} \xi_L \xi_R \sim \frac{1}{g_{\star}} \left(\frac{\chi}{\Lambda_{\rm UV}} \right)^{\gamma_L} \left(\frac{\chi}{\Lambda_{\rm UV}} \right)^{\gamma_F}$$

• For *CP*-violation interested in Yukawa couplings for $0 \lesssim \chi \lesssim \chi_0$

- Top has $|\gamma_{t_{L,R}}| \ll 1 \Rightarrow y_t$ only weakly dependent on χ
- Charm has $y_c \ll 1$ for $\chi = \chi_0$ and even smaller for $\chi \lesssim \chi_0$ if $\gamma_{c_{L,R}} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{Not enough } CP\text{-violation}$
- ullet Instead assume $\gamma_{c_{L,R}} < 0$ for $\chi \lesssim \chi_0 \Rightarrow$ Large charm Yukawa in IR

Results: tunneling direction θ_{avg}

Tunneling direction should be sufficiently far away from $\theta_{avg} = \frac{\hat{h}_{avg}}{f} = 0$ for enough *CP*-violating during phase transition.



Electroweak baryogenesis

- Now have strong phase transition and new source of CP-violation.
- Yukawa couplings for several flavours can be written as:

$$y_{ij} = (\mathbb{I}_L)_{ik} (\xi_L)_{kk} (g_{\star}^{-1})_{kl} (\xi_R)_{ll}^{\dagger} (\mathbb{I}_R)_{lj}$$

- $f_0 = 800 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow \text{Need to impose flavour symmetry, choose } U(1).$ $\Rightarrow (\mathbb{I}_L)_{ik}, (\mathbb{I}_R)_{lj} \text{ diagonal } \Rightarrow \text{Need at least 2 } \xi \text{ which grow with } \chi.$
- Choose charm, $\gamma_{c_L} = -0.735$ and scan over negative γ_{c_R} .
- Meson with $m_{\chi} = 500 \text{ GeV}$ and N = 5, other parameters as before.
- Bubble nucleation rate: $\Gamma_n \sim e^{S_E}$. $S_E(\theta_{avg})$ shallow near θ_{avg}^{\min} . $\Rightarrow \Gamma_n$ for bubbles with $\theta_{avg} \neq \theta_{avg}^{\min}$ not very suppressed. \Rightarrow Scan over θ_{avg} .
- Assume wall velocity $v_{\text{wall}} = 0.1$.

Results: Baryon asymmetry



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Experimental tests

- ullet Bound on dilaton mass: $m_\chi\gtrsim 100\,{
 m GeV}$
- Flavour symmetry \Rightarrow flavour-changing processes suppressed
- CP-violation from varying charm Yukawa ⇒ today suppressed by size of Yukawa (large for varying top Yukawa ⇒ electron EDM)
- More promising: Gravitational waves
- Spectrum controlled by two parameters:

$$\alpha \simeq \frac{(V_{\rm tot}[0,0]-V_{\rm tot}[v_{\rm EW},\chi_0])\tau_n}{3\pi^2 N^2 T_n^4/8} , \qquad \frac{\beta}{H} \simeq T_n \left. \frac{{\rm d}S_E}{{\rm d}T} \right|_{T_n}$$

• Signal from phase transition at $T_n = 100 \text{ GeV}$ detectable by LISA if $1 \lesssim \beta/H \lesssim 10^4$ and $\alpha \gtrsim 0.1$.

Results: Gravitational waves, meson



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Conclusions

- Derived joint potential for Higgs and dilaton in composite Higgs models to describe simultaneously confinement and electroweak phase transitions.
- Allows for novel realization of electroweak baryogenesis with composite Higgs:
 - Confining and electroweak phase transition simultaneous \Rightarrow first-order
 - CP-violation from varying Yukawas during phase transition
- Prefers composite Higgs sector with N ~ O(few) and meson-like dilaton with mass ~ 300 - 500 GeV.
- Signatures: Light dilaton and gravitational waves from phase transition.