

The Standard Model is very successful but...

- Neutrinos have masses (ν SM)
- Dark matter (no viable explanation) - MH? FS?
- Matter / antimatter asymmetry (no viable explanation) - MH? FS?
- Hierarchy problem (fine-tuning between parameters)
- Strong CP problem (fine-tuning between parameters)
- Gauge couplings (additional free parameters) - GUT?
- Flavour problem (many additional free parameters) - FS?

BSM solutions involve additional fields and symmetries, like MH and FS.

The Standard Model

Gauge group: $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

Chiral spin 1/2 fermions (left and right)

Quarks: colour triplets of $SU(3)_C$

Left fermions are doublets of $SU(2)_L$

Spin 0 scalar, doublet of $SU(2)_L$

The Standard Model (1 generation)

Gauge group: $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

Quarks (Q , u_R , d_R): colour triplets of $SU(3)_C$

LH fields (Q and L): doublets of $SU(2)_L$

e_R just $U(1)_Y$

(ν SM: add ν_R , complete singlet)

Scalar H also doublet of $SU(2)_L$

$\langle H \rangle$ breaks $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{em}$

Mass terms: $m_f F_\alpha f_R$ not invariant under $SU(2)_L$

But $y_f (\epsilon^{\alpha\beta} H_\alpha F_\beta) f_R$ is...

$y_f \langle H \rangle F f_R \rightarrow m_f F f_R$ with $m_f = y_f \langle H \rangle$

Multi-Higgs models

Gauge group: $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

Quarks (Q, u_R, d_R): colour triplets of $SU(3)_C$

LH fields (Q and L): doublets of $SU(2)_L$

e_R just $U(1)_Y$

(ν SM: add ν_R , complete singlet)

Scalars H_i , doublets of $SU(2)_L$

Potential $V(H_i)$, Yukawa couplings, with **each** H_i ...

Proliferation of parameters? Symmetries!

The Standard Model (3 generations)

Gauge group: $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$

Quarks (Q^i, u_R^j, d_R^k): colour triplets of $SU(3)_C$

LH fields (Q^i and L^i): doublets of $SU(2)_L$

e_R^j just $U(1)_Y$

(ν SM: add ν_R^k , complete singlet)

Scalar H also doublet of $SU(2)_L$

$\langle H \rangle$ breaks $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{em}$

Mass terms: $M_{ij} F_\alpha^i f_R^j$ not invariant under $SU(2)_L$

But $Y_{ij} (\epsilon^{\alpha\beta} H_\alpha F_\beta^i) f_R^j$ is...

$Y_{ij} \langle H \rangle F^i f_R^j \rightarrow M_{ij} F^i f_R^j$

Proliferation of parameters? Symmetries!

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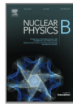
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Multi-Higgs and Flavour with symmetries

Conclusion

- Models with Multi-Higgs and symmetries are a very natural extension of the Standard Model
- Models with Family Symmetry are a very natural extension of the Standard Model
- Viable research opportunities for interested students