

Study of Potentials of Higgs Multiplets

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Why study Higgs multiplet extensions?

- T. D. Lee introduced extension of Higgs sector getting new source for CP violation.
- Supersymmetry requires at least two Higgs doublets.
- Dark matter models realized by Higgs extensions.
- Neutrino mixing models realized by Higgs extensions.
- Pragmatically, no reason for only one doublet.

Restrictions from electroweak sector

- From the kinetic terms of electroweak gauge bosons, tree level,

$$\rho \equiv \frac{m_W^2}{\cos^2(\theta_W)m_Z^2} = \frac{\sum_i (T_i(T_i + 1) - T_{3i}^2) |v_i|^2}{2 \sum_i T_{3i}^2 |v_i|^2} \approx 1 .$$

T_i, T_{3i} : isospin, z component of multiplet i
 v_i : VEV

- Multiplets corresponding to $\rho = 1$:

singlets:	$T = T_3 = 0,$
doublets:	$T = 1/2, T_3 = \pm 1/2,$
septuplets:	$T = 3, T_3 = \pm 2,$
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- Restriction can be circumvented, for instance by combination of Higgs bosons, absence of VEV's.

- Example one doublet ($T = T_3 = 1/2$) and one quadruplet ($T = T_3 = 3/2$),

$$\rho = 1 - 6 \frac{v_{3/2}^2}{v_{1/2}^2 + 9v_{3/2}^2}$$

Georgi, Machacek, NPB262 (1985)
Kannike JHEP01 (2024)

- Disregarding restrictions let us consider arbitrary multiplets.



Gauge redundancies

- In conventional method Higgs multiplets plagued with gauge redundancies.
- Guiding principle: Physics independent of gauge.
- Caveat: Gauge symmetries versus physical symmetries.



Picture: chatGPT4.o

S Elitzur *Impossibility of spontaneously breaking local symmetries* **PRD12** (1975)

Fröhlich, Morchio, Strocchi *Higgs phenomenon without symmetry breaking order parameter* **NPB190** (1981)

- Principal ideal: Construct gauge invariant model and keep gauge symmetry manifest.
- Simple example: Standard Model with **one** Higgs-boson doublet,

$$\varphi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^1(x) \\ \phi^2(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

- Define a real gauge-invariant **bilinear** field

$$K(x) = \varphi^\dagger \varphi$$

- Domain: $K \geq 0$

$$V_{SM} = -\mu^2 K + \lambda K^2$$

- Minimum: $\langle K \rangle = \frac{\mu^2}{2\lambda}$, electroweak symmetry unbroken for $\langle K \rangle = 0$, partially broken for $\langle K \rangle > 0$.

Higgs multiplets

isospin T	0	1/2	1	3/2	$\frac{m-1}{2}$
T_3	0	$-1/2, +1/2$	$-1, 0, +1$	$-3/2, \dots, 3/2$	$-\frac{m-1}{2}, \dots, +\frac{m-1}{2}$
multiplicity	1	2	3	4	m
multiplet $\varphi^{(m)}$	ϕ^1	$\begin{pmatrix} \phi^1 \\ \phi^2 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \phi^1 \\ \phi^2 \\ \phi^3 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \phi^1 \\ \vdots \\ \phi^4 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} \phi^1 \\ \vdots \\ \phi^m \end{pmatrix}$

Multiplets in bilinear representation

- Example: 2 triplets, $T = 1$, multiplicity $m = 3$

$$\varphi_1^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^1 \\ \phi_1^2 \\ \phi_1^3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \varphi_2^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2^1 \\ \phi_2^2 \\ \phi_2^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- We form

$$\psi^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1^{(3)\text{T}} \\ \varphi_2^{(3)\text{T}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^1 & \phi_1^2 & \phi_1^3 \\ \phi_2^1 & \phi_2^2 & \phi_2^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Gauge-invariant matrix $\underline{K}^{(3)}$

$$\underline{K}^{(3)} = \psi^{(3)} \psi^{(3)\dagger} = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_1^{(3)} & \varphi_2^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_1^{(3)} \\ \varphi_1^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_2^{(3)} & \varphi_2^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_2^{(3)} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Write $\underline{K}^{(3)}$ in basis of unit and Pauli matrices,

$$\underline{K}^{(3)} = \frac{1}{2} K_{\alpha}^{(m)} \sigma_{\alpha}, \quad \alpha \in \{0, \dots, 3\},$$

with $\sigma_0 = \mathbb{1}_2$.

- Bilinears explicitly

$$K_0^{(3)} = \varphi_1^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_1^{(3)} + \varphi_2^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_2^{(3)}$$

$$K_1^{(3)} = \varphi_1^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_2^{(3)} + \varphi_2^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_1^{(3)}$$

$$K_2^{(3)} = i\varphi_2^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_1^{(3)} - i\varphi_1^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_2^{(3)}$$

$$K_3^{(3)} = \varphi_1^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_1^{(3)} - \varphi_2^{(3)\dagger} \varphi_2^{(3)}$$

- Generalization to n_m multiplets of multiplicity m : Form

$$\psi^{(m)} = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1^{(m)\text{T}} \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_{n_m}^{(m)\text{T}} \end{pmatrix} \in (n_m \times m)$$

- Build $\underline{K}^{(m)}$ and write in basis of generalized Pauli matrices,

$$\underline{K}^{(m)} = \psi^{(m)} \psi^{(m)\dagger} = \frac{1}{2} K_\alpha^{(m)} \lambda_\alpha, \quad \alpha \in \{0, \dots, n_m^2 - 1\},$$

with $\lambda_0 = \sqrt{\frac{2}{n_m}} \mathbb{1}_{n_m}$.

- We arrive at bilinears

$$K_\alpha^{(m)}$$

- One-to-one correspondence - except gauge redundancies.

Domain of multiplets

- Stability

M Abud, G Sartori **PLB104** (1981)

J Kim **NPB196** (1982)

A Degee, I P Ivanov, V Keuss **JHEP02** (2013)

O Nachtmann, MM **PRD92** (2015)

- Assignment of hypercharge Y to multiplets.
- Gell–Mann–Nishijima $Q = Y + T_3$
- Example: 2 triplets, $T_3 \in \{-1, 0, +1\}$ with $Y = 1$,

$$\varphi_i = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_i^{++} \\ \phi_i^+ \\ \phi_i^0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \psi^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^{++} & \phi_1^+ & \phi_1^0 \\ \phi_2^{++} & \phi_2^+ & \phi_2^0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{K}^{(3)} = \psi^{(3)} \psi^{(3)\dagger}$$

- $0 \leq \text{rank}(\psi^{(m)}) \leq m$ gives rank of $\underline{K}^{(m)}$.
- Neutral non-trivial vacuum corresponds to rank one.
- Simple restrictions on domain, example

$$K_0^{(3)} \geq 0, \quad \text{tr}^2(\underline{K}^{(3)}) - \text{tr}((\underline{K}^{(3)})^2) = 0$$

Doublet representation

- What about mixed multiplet terms in the potential?
- Totally symmetric irrep. of tensor product of $m - 1$ doublets $SU(2)$

$$\underbrace{\square \otimes \square \otimes \dots \otimes \square}_{m-1} = \begin{array}{c} \square \\ \vdots \\ \square \\ m \end{array}$$

- Example: Higgs-boson triplet with hypercharge $Y = 1$,

$$\varphi^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{++} \\ \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Delta_{11} = \phi^{++}, \quad \Delta_{12} = \Delta_{21} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\phi^+, \quad \Delta_{22} = \phi^{(0)}$$

that is, with $SU(2)$ indices

$$(\Delta_{ij}) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{++} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\phi^+ \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\phi^+ & \phi^{(0)} \end{pmatrix}.$$

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doublet rep.		Δ_i	Δ_{ij}	Δ_{ijk}	$\Delta_{i_1 \dots i_{m-1}}$



Multi-Higgs potential

- Conjugated multiplets with upper indices

$$\Delta^{*i_1, \dots, i_{m-1}} \equiv (\Delta_{j_1, \dots, j_{m-1}})^* \quad \text{with } i_k, j_k \in \{1, 2\} .$$

We can also lower single indices,

$$\epsilon_{ij} \Delta^{* \dots j \dots} \quad \text{with } \epsilon = i\sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} .$$

- $SU(2)$ invariance corresponds to contracted indices.

S Keppeler *Birdtracks for SU(N)* arXiv 1707.07280
Kannike JHEP01 (2024)

- Examples

$$\Delta^{*ij} \Delta_i \Delta_j, \quad \Delta_{ij} \Delta^{*i} \Delta^{*j}, \quad \Delta_j \Delta_k \Delta^{*m} \epsilon_{mi} \Delta^{*ijk}$$

- We have to take care of $U_Y(1)$.

Symmetries

- Symmetry transformation for bilinears

$$K_0^{(m)}(x) \rightarrow K_0'^{(m)}(x) = K_0^{(m)}(x'), \quad K_a^{(m)}(x) \rightarrow K_a'^{(m)}(x) = X_{ab}^{(m)} K_b^{(m)}(x'),$$

$$a, b \in \{1, \dots, n_m^2 - 1\}, \quad X^{(m)} = (X_{ab}^{(m)}) \in O(n_m^2 - 1).$$

- Symmetry transformation for doublet representation

$$\Delta_a^{(m)}(x) \rightarrow U_{ab}^{(m)} \Delta_b^{(m)}(x'), \quad \Delta_c^{(m)*}(x) \rightarrow \Delta_d^{(m)*}(x') U_{dc}^{(m)\dagger}.$$

- Spontaneous symmetry, consider $\langle K_\mu^{(m)} \rangle, \langle \Delta_a^{(m)} \rangle$.

Example potential

- Example potential: 2 doublets, 3 triplets:

$$V_{\text{example}} = m_2^2 K_0^{(2)} + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} m_3^2 K_0^{(3)} + \lambda_2 (K_0^{(2)})^2 + \frac{3}{2} \lambda_3 (K_0^{(3)})^2 + \lambda_{23} K_1^{(2)} K_1^{(3)} .$$

- (Standard) CP transformation

$$\psi^{(m)}(x) \rightarrow \psi'^{(m)}(x) = \psi^{(m)*}(x'), \quad \text{with } x = (t, \mathbf{x}), \quad x' = (t, -\mathbf{x}) .$$

- Bilinears transform as

$$K_0^{(m)}(x) \rightarrow K_0^{(m)}(x'), \quad K_a^{(m)}(x) \rightarrow C_{ab}^{(m)} K_b^{(m)}(x') .$$

with

$$C^{(2)} = \text{diag}(1, -1, 1), \quad C^{(3)} = \text{diag}(1, 1, -1, -1, -1, 1, 1) .$$

- Potential invariant under (standard) CP transformations.

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Conclusions

- Multi-Higgs bosons attractive.
- Explicit gauge redundancies obscure physics.
- Description in terms of gauge-invariant bilinears.
- Doublet representation of arbitrary multiplets.
- Symmetry studies transparent.





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Change of basis

- Consider the following unitary mixing of the doublets

$$\begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1(x)^T \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_n(x)^T \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow U \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1(x)^T \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_n(x)^T \end{pmatrix}$$

- Bilinears transform as

$$\psi \rightarrow U\psi, \quad \underline{K} = \psi\psi^\dagger \rightarrow U\underline{K}U^\dagger$$

hence,

$$K_0 = \text{tr}(\underline{K}\lambda_0) \rightarrow \text{tr}(U\underline{K}U^\dagger\lambda_0) = \text{tr}(U\underline{K}\lambda_0U^\dagger) = \text{tr}(\underline{K}\lambda_0) = K_0,$$

$$K_a = \text{tr}(\underline{K}\lambda_a) \rightarrow \text{tr}(U\underline{K}U^\dagger\lambda_a) = \text{tr}\left(\underbrace{U^\dagger\lambda_a U}_{\equiv R_{ab}\lambda_b} \underline{K}\right) = R_{ab}K_b$$

- Change of basis correspond to proper rotations $R = (R_{ab}) \in SO(n^2 - 1)$.

- Under a change of basis

$$K_0 \rightarrow K_0, \quad K \rightarrow RK$$

The potential

$$V = \xi_0 K_0 + \xi^T K + \eta_{00} K_0^2 + 2K_0 \eta^T K + K^T E K$$

changes to

$$V' = \xi_0 K_0 + \xi^T R K + \eta_{00} K_0^2 + 2K_0 \eta^T R K + K^T R^T E R K$$

- Potential invariant, $V = V'$, iff

$$\xi = R \xi, \quad \eta = R \eta, \quad E = R E R^T.$$