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Lattice-friendly gauge completion of a composite Higgs with top partners

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ABSTRACT: We give an explicit example of a composite Higgs model with a pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone Higgs in which the top Yukawa coupling is generated via the partial compositeness mechanism. This mechanism requires composite top partners which are relatively light compared to the typical mass scale of the strongly coupled theory. While most studies of the phenomenology of such models have focused on a bottom-up approach with a minimal effective theory, a top-down approach suggests that the theory should contain a limit in which an unbroken global chiral symmetry protects the mass of the top partners, and the spectrum of the partners satisfies 't Hooft matching conditions. We find that the relatively light fermions and pseudo-Goldstone bosons fall into complete multiplets of a large approximate global symmetry, and that the spectrum of particles lighter than a few TeV is non-minimal. Our example illustrates the likely features of a such a composite Higgs theory and also serves as an example of a non-chiral theory with a possible solution to the 't Hooft matching conditions. We find in this example that for some low-energy parameters in the effective theory the top partners can decay into high-multiplicity final states, which could be difficult for the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) to constrain. This may potentially allow for the top partners to be lighter than those in more minimal models.

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1 Introduction

One of the most important questions facing particle physicists is understanding the mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking. The minimal Standard Model does a great job of describing this in a manner which is in good agreement with all collider data, but theoretically the size of the Higgs mass is puzzling. Precision electroweak corrections and the absence of any new particle discovery at the LHC suggests that the Standard Model may be a good description of particle physics up to a cutoff of at least a few TeV. Dimensional analysis would then give a Higgs mass of order of this cutoff unless there is either some fine-tuning or some symmetry reason for it to be lighter. One possible reason for a light Higgs is that it is an approximate Nambu-Goldstone boson, whose mass is protected by an approximate non-linearly realized symmetry. However, such a symmetry must be broken to allow non-derivative couplings. The largest such coupling is to the top quark, and the top Yukawa coupling leads to large corrections to the Higgs mass squared. In theories with light top partners, such corrections can be partially canceled and the Higgs can be naturally light compared to the cutoff.

A new gauge theory which confines the Higgs and the top partners has to have certain dynamical features which are different from those of QCD. One non-QCD-like feature is that the theory should have composite fermions which are light compared with the compositeness scale to serve as top partners. One possibility is a theory which has a limit in which it confines but does not break all of the chiral symmetry, and which contains massless fermions which match the 't Hooft anomaly conditions that may serve as top partners. A second feature is that the theory should be near a limit in which the chiral global symmetry which is protecting the mass of the top partners does spontaneously break, in order to produce a pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone boson multiplet containing the composite Higgs which coupled to the top partners. In order for a small perturbation to result in chiral symmetry breaking, the unperturbed theory must be near a second-order phase transition, and the spectrum of the unperturbed theory would then be expected to contain a relatively light scalar which is not a Nambu-Goldstone boson.

The first example of an ultraviolet (UV) completion of a theory with light composite top satisfying 't Hooft anomaly matching conditions for an approximate symmetry was studied in [1], which supplied a composite UV completion to the SU(5)/SO(5) "Littlest Higgs" version of a composite Higgs model [2, 3]. Other potential examples have been given in [4]. The assumption that such dynamics are possible is motivated by a recent lattice study. In [5], evidence of an anomalously light scalar was found for a system of 12 fermion flavors coupled to SU(3) gauge fields. This scalar could be anomalously light by being an order parameter for a second-order phase transition. It would be interesting to see whether lattice studies could provide evidence for anomalously light fermions in some model as well. Lattice studies of dynamics are limited to vector-like gauge theories with real positive fermion determinant, and therefore theories that have no scalars with Yukawa couplings. In our model the confining group is a vector-like gauge theory.

2 Description of model

Our composite pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone Higgs model is based on the SU(4)/Sp(4) symmetry-breaking pattern [6] of the "Intermediate" composite Higgs model [7]. We assume top partners which are in a multiplet of an approximate chiral global symmetry. We also assume that the chiral symmetry-breaking scale is low compared to the confinement scale, and the global chiral anomalies are matched by composite fermions. Provided our assumptions about the dynamics are correct, our model can provide a realistic composite Higgs with a top Yukawa coupling and top partners.

We need a model with a large enough global symmetry to embed the Standard Model gauge group, in order to allow for colored and electroweak-charged composite fermions, as

well as the non-linearly realized symmetry protecting the Higgs mass. The minimal model we found which also allows for a solution to the 't Hooft matching conditions has 10 fermion flavors coupled to a symplectic gauge group, as well as an adjoint fermion. The fermion content is that of a supersymmetric theory. From previous work on supersymmetric theories, we know that the $SU(10) \times U(1)$ global symmetry is confining with anomaly matching between the UV and the infrared (IR) confined phase when the gauge group is Sp(6) [8]. Giving mass to the supersymmetric scalars does not change the anomaly matching, although it might change the dynamics in the limit where the scalars are heavy compared with the confinement scale. The Sp(6) gauge group is automatically free of gauge anomalies as long as there are an even number of pseudo-real representations. The fundamental fermions, which we will call preons, will be confined at a scale Λ into composite scalars (mesons) and fermions (baryons), which furnish the composite Higgs as well as a top partner that will mix with the fundamental top through the mechanism of partial compositeness. One possibility is to assume the supersymmetry of this theory is broken and the scalar superpartners have mass below the compositeness scale. This would allow us to perform a systematic analytic understanding of the dynamics, but simulating the theory on the lattice would suffer from a sign problem and would not be feasible. In this work we assume the supersymmetric scalars are at or well above the compositeness scale or are even absent.

According to the Vafa-Witten theorem [9], in vector-like gauge theories with no scalars coupled to the fermions, there can be no massless composites with massive constituents, ie. there can be no violation of the persistent mass condition [10]. Our composite top partners violate this condition as their mass is protected by the SU(10) global chiral symmetry, but they contain a fermion adjoint which can be given a mass without violating the symmetry. We therefore expect that in the highly non-supersymmetric limit in which the scalar masses which are heavy compared to the compositeness scale, the chiral global symmetries of the theory will spontaneously break to a subgroup which allows fermion masses. We speculate that the chiral symmetry-breaking scale and the fermion masses in this case could be below the compositeness scale, which would imply that the chiral symmetry-breaking must be describable by a linear sigma model containing composite scalars which are anomalously light compared to the compositeness scale as well.

In order to produce a pseudo-Goldstone Higgs and masses for the top partners, the SU(10) symmetry must spontaneously break. We assume this breaking scale is lower than the compositeness scale, which requires that even in the absence of symmetry breaking, the theory contains a relatively light scalar multiplet with a non-trivial SU(10) transformation. We assume that a relatively small mass for the scalar arises because the theory with this matter content is near a second-order phase transition. Because this is a non-supersymmetric, vector-like theory, this assumption can be checked on the lattice. The $SU(10) \times U(1)$ global symmetry will also be explicitly broken by preon mass terms and Standard Model gauge interactions.

It is convenient to analyze the particle content under an $SU(6) \times SU(4) \times U(1)$ subgroup. The SU(4) will contain the electroweak and custodial symmetries, and the SU(6) will contain the color group in the diagonal subgroup of $SU(3) \times SU(3) \subset SU(6)$. When an effective theory for the light mesons and baryons of this theory is analyzed, we will find that



Table 1. Matter content in UV (above confinement scale Λ).

for some parameters we can trigger spontaneous breaking of the SU(4) to Sp(4) at a lower scale f. This coset structure was explored in [7], and is known to be the minimal coset that can form a pseudo-Goldstone composite Higgs which admits a fermionic UV completion. UV completions of this coset have previously been studied in [11–17]. A SU(6) × SU(4) global symmetry structure was previously studied in the context of a Sp(6) gauge group in [15], but this work did not give a dynamical explanation for the mass and couplings of the top partner, which is provided here by the SU(10) breaking. Furthermore, that work assumed a different condensate structure that breaks the global SU(6) to SO(6), rather than the Sp(6) that we will find, as well as having the composite fermions in a different representation of the global SU(6) × SU(4).

3 UV theory

In the UV, we consider a model with a new Sp(6) gauge group that confines at the scale Λ , which will be of order 10 TeV. The matter content above Λ consists of fermions F in the fundamental representation of Sp(6), which have a global flavor symmetry in the fundamental of SU(10), as well as A, a fermionic adjoint of Sp(6) that is a singlet under the flavor symmetry and is needed to form the composite fermions. There is also an anomaly-free global U(1) symmetry, and an anomaly-free discrete symmetry. As we can show that any operator allowed by the anomaly-free continuous global symmetries is allowed by the anomaly-free discrete symmetry any further. This matter content is summarized in table 1.

Anomaly matching between the UV and the IR effective theory below the confinement scale, where only the flavor symmetry remains, will determine the low-energy degrees of freedom. We list some of the possible composite particles in this picture, following [18]:

$$T_k = \text{Tr}A^k,$$
 $k = 2, 3$
 $M_k = FA^kF,$ $k = 0, 1, 2.$ (3.1)

The T_k are singlets under SU(10), and the M_k are the antisymmetric part of the product of two fundamentals of SU(10), which makes them 45-plets. The composite matter quantum numbers are summarized in table 2. The composite fermion $M_1 = FAF$, which we will call Ψ , matches all of the SU(10) × U(1) global anomalies. If we assume that this theory has a phase which confines without chiral symmetry breaking, then Ψ must be massless. We will also assume that the composite scalar $M_0 = FF$ is anomalously light, and this

	SU(10)	U(1)
T_k	1	k
M_k		$-\frac{8}{5}+k$

Table 2. Matter content in IR (below confinement scale Λ).

	Sp(6)	$\mathrm{SU}(3)_c$	$\mathrm{SU}(2)_w$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_Y$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_B$
F_3			1	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
$F_{\overline{3}}$			1	$-\frac{1}{6}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$
F_2		1		0	0
F_+		1	1	$+\frac{1}{2}$	0
F_{-}		1	1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0
A		1	1	0	0

Table 3.Preon Charges.

meson we will call Φ . We assume the rest of the composite matter content has masses at the composite scale and thus we ignore them in the low-energy analysis.

In order to write down the low-energy effective theory we will need to consider the sources of explicit $SU(10) \times U(1)$ breaking. Part of the SU(10) is weakly gauged under the Standard Model gauge group. Global baryon number symmetry is also embedded in the SU(10). The fermions and their $Sp(6) \times SU(3) \times SU(2)_w \times U(1)_Y \times U(1)_B$ charges are listed in table 3, where the subscripts denote the component of F that transforms in that representation under the Standard Model symmetries.

The following $SU(10) \times U(1)$ global symmetry-breaking mass terms are consistent with the gauge symmetries and $U(1)_B$:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset m_A A A + m_3 F_3 F_{\bar{3}} + m_2 F_2 F_2 + m_1 F_+ F_- + h.c.$$
(3.2)

We will assume the m_A and m_3 terms are small but non-negligible and the m_2 and m_1 terms are very small. The SU(4) subgroup of the SU(10) is thus mostly only explicitly

broken by the weak gauge couplings. The m_A and m_3 terms will lead to important spurions in the low-energy effective theory.

4 Effective theory below compositeness scale

We will now analyze the effective dynamics of this model in the low-energy limit. The m_3 mass term in the UV for the Q preons results in a spurion which explicitly breaks the SU(6) part of the SU(10) symmetry to Sp(6) in the compositeness Lagrangian, leaving the SU(4) invariant. The m_A term does not break the SU(10) but does break the U(1), and will be treated as a spurion with U(1) charge -2.

Using the spurions to restore the $SU(10) \times U(1)$ symmetry, we write the non-kinetic terms in the compositeness Lagrangian that are invariant under this symmetry. In eq. (4) we give the terms allowed through dimension 4 for the scalars and up to dimension 7 for terms containing a fermion bilinear, where M is the Sp(6)-preserving spurion whose SU(6) part is given by

$$M_{6\times6} = m_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & I_3 \\ -I_3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\mathcal{L} \supset (M_{10}^2) \mathrm{Tr} \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi - \Lambda^2 \mathrm{Tr} M^{\dagger} \Phi + \lambda_1 \mathrm{Tr} (\Phi^{\dagger} \Phi)^2 + \lambda_2 \mathrm{Tr} (\Phi^{\dagger} \Phi \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi) \\ + \frac{m_A}{\Lambda^2} \Big[g_{\Psi} \mathrm{Tr} \Phi^{\dagger} \Psi \Phi^{\dagger} \Psi + g_0 \mathrm{Tr} \Phi^{\dagger} \Psi \mathrm{Tr} \Phi^{\dagger} \Psi + g_1 \mathrm{Tr} M^{\dagger} \Psi \mathrm{Tr} \Phi^{\dagger} \Psi \\ + g_2 \mathrm{Tr} M^{\dagger} \Psi \Phi^{\dagger} \Psi + g_3 \mathrm{Tr} M^{\dagger} \Psi M^{\dagger} \Psi + g_4 \mathrm{Tr} M^{\dagger} \Psi \mathrm{Tr} M^{\dagger} \Psi \Big] \\ + \lambda_3 \mathrm{Tr} (M^{\dagger} \Phi M^{\dagger} \Phi) + \lambda_4 \mathrm{Tr} (M^{\dagger} \Phi) \mathrm{Tr} (M^{\dagger} \Phi) + \lambda_5 \mathrm{Tr} (M^{\dagger} \Phi \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi) \\ + \lambda_6 \mathrm{Tr} (M^{\dagger} \Phi) \mathrm{Tr} (\Phi^{\dagger} \Phi) + \lambda_7 \mathrm{Tr} (M M^{\dagger} \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi) + \lambda_8 \mathrm{Tr} (M \Phi^{\dagger}) \mathrm{Tr} (M^{\dagger} \Phi) \\ + \frac{g_7 m_A^*}{\Lambda^3} \epsilon^{abcdefghij} \Phi_{ab} \Phi_{cd} \Phi_{ef} \Psi_{gh} \Psi_{ij} + h.c.$$

$$(4.2)$$

Note that the term M_{10}^2 will depend on $m_A m_A^{\dagger}$ and on $\text{Tr} M^{\dagger} M$. This term is allowed by all the symmetries. If it is as large as the compositeness scale, then the power-counting of the effective theory will not be useful as either all the scalars would be too heavy to allow an effective field theoretic treatment or the chiral symmetry-breaking scale will be at the confinement scale and the top partners will be too heavy to belong in the effective theory. If, however, M_{10} is light compared with the compositeness scale, then an effective field theoretic treatment keeping all the scalars and fermions can be quantitatively useful. Furthermore, this limit is technically natural as long as M_{10}^2 is no lighter than a loop correction to this mass squared. Since the effective theory does not contain any couplings larger than $\mathcal{O}(1)$, M_{10}^2 can be naturally be smaller than the compositeness scale by a factor of $\mathcal{O}(1/16\pi^2)$. In the following analysis, we will assume that M_{10}^2 is positive and that the chiral symmetry-breaking which leads to a pseudo-Goldstone boson Higgs is triggered by the explicit chiral symmetry-breaking, as would be the case if the theory were approximately supersymmetric. A analysis with a negative but small M_{10}^2 would lead to a similar spectrum. Under $SU(6) \times SU(4)$, the meson field decomposes as

$$\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_X & \phi_T \\ -\phi_T^T & \phi_Y \end{pmatrix}.$$
(4.3)

The spurion M produces a tadpole that will lead to VEV for some components of ϕ_X ,

$$\phi_0 = \frac{m_3 \Lambda^2}{2M_{10}^2}, \qquad (4.4)$$

which must be smaller than Λ in order for the effective compositeness Lagrangian to be useful.

Expanding around this VEV, the ϕ_X particles have mass

$$m_{\phi_X}^2 = 8 \left(M_{10}^2 + \lambda_6 m_3^2 + 2m_3 \phi_0 (\lambda_4 + 3\lambda_5) -4\phi_0^2 (3\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) \right) .$$
(4.5)

The ϕ_T also get a mass from this VEV,

$$m_{\phi_T}^2 = 4M_{10}^2 + 2m_3^2\lambda_6 + 4\phi_0 m_3(\lambda_4 + 6\lambda_5) -8\phi_0^2(6\lambda_1 + \lambda_2), \qquad (4.6)$$

as do the ϕ_Y ,

$$m_{\phi_Y}^2 = 4M_{10}^2 + 24\phi_0 m_3 \lambda_5 - 48\phi_0^2 \lambda_1 \,. \tag{4.7}$$

The ϕ_Y mass-squared can be taken to be negative so that ϕ_Y obtains a VEV, spontaneously breaking SU(4) to its Sp(4) subgroup. This will result in five pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone bosons, four of which will play the role of our composite Higgs doublet.

5 Spontaneous symmetry-breaking effective theory

5.1 SU(4)/Sp(4) Higgs

We can now analyze the spontaneous symmetry breaking in the Higgs sector. First, we expand ϕ_Y around the Sp(4)-preserving VEV

$$\Sigma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} i\sigma_2 & 0\\ 0 & i\sigma_2 \end{pmatrix}, \tag{5.1}$$

which also preserves the electroweak gauge group.

As in [7], the Nambu-Goldstone bosons of SU(4)/Sp(4) symmetry breaking can be written as

$$\langle \phi_Y \rangle = \Sigma = f e^{i\Pi/f} \Sigma_0 e^{i\Pi/f} \qquad \Pi = \begin{pmatrix} A & H \\ H^{\dagger} & -A \end{pmatrix},$$
(5.2)

where

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} h_0 + ih_3 & ih_2 + h_1 \\ ih_2 - h_1 & h_0 - ih_3 \end{pmatrix} \qquad A = \begin{pmatrix} \eta & 0 \\ 0 & \eta \end{pmatrix},$$
(5.3)

and f is the decay constant of the sigma model, which here is $f = \phi_0$.

In unitary gauge, where h_1, h_2, h_3 are eaten by the W and Z bosons, Σ is given as:

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cos \alpha & 0 & i \sin \alpha \\ -\cos \alpha & 0 & -i \sin \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & i \sin \alpha & 0 & \cos \alpha \\ -i \sin \alpha & 0 & -\cos \alpha & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$
(5.4)

where $\alpha = \sqrt{h^2 + \eta^2} / \sqrt{2}\phi_0$ and $h^2 = \sum_i h_i^2$.

We implement the symmetry breaking by setting $\phi_Y \to \phi_0 \Sigma$ in eq. (4.2), the composite Lagrangian. We will see that the Higgs VEV

$$\theta = \frac{\langle h \rangle}{\sqrt{2}\phi_0}\,,\tag{5.5}$$

will give mass to the top partners in the following section.

5.2 Top partner embedding

The symmetry breaking from the scalar sector will propagate to the fermion sector via the scalar-fermion couplings in eq. (4.2), resulting in masses and Yukawa couplings for the composite fermions.

We can decompose the composite fermion Ψ in terms of SU(6) × SU(4) as

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} X & S \\ -S^T & Y \end{pmatrix} .$$
 (5.6)

The top partners are in S, which as a (6, 4) of $SU(6) \times SU(4)$, decomposes into four components in terms of the global SU(6) and the global SU(4) which contains the custodial $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$. It is given by

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} Q' \ P' \\ \bar{Q'} \ \bar{P'} \end{pmatrix} . \tag{5.7}$$

Eq. (5.8) gives the decomposition in terms of $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ and into $SU(3)_D \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$, where $U(1)_Y$ is a linear combination of the T_3 generator of $SU(2)_R$ and an SU(10) generator.

$$Q' = (3, 1, 2, 1) \to (3, 2, 1/6)$$

$$P' = (3, 1, 1, 2) \to (3, 1, 2/3), (3, 1, -1/3)$$

$$\bar{Q}' = (1, \bar{3}, 2, 1) \to (\bar{3}, 2, -1/6)$$

$$\bar{P}' = (1, \bar{3}, 1, 2) \to (\bar{3}, 1, 1/3), (\bar{3}, 1, -2/3).$$
(5.8)

We will gauge $SU(3)_D$ for QCD and $SU(2)_L$ for the weak group. Q' is the top partner which has the same gauge quantum numbers as the left-handed top quark and \bar{P}' contains a particle with the same gauge quantum numbers as the left-handed anti-top, which we will call \bar{T}' .

Field	$SU(3)_c$	$\mathrm{SU}(2)_L$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_Y$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_B$	R_P
L_i	1	2	-1/2	0	1
$Q_{F,i}$	3	2	1/6	1/3	1
$\bar{U}_{F,i}$	$\bar{3}$	1	-2/3	-1/3	1
\bar{D}_i	$\bar{3}$	1	1/3	-1/3	1
\bar{E}_i	1	1	1	0	1
Y	1	2	1/2	0	-1
\tilde{Y}	1	2	-1/2	0	-1
ψ_1	1	1	0	0	-1
ψ_2	1	1	0	0	-1
Q'	3	2	1/6	1/3	1
T'	3	1	2/3	1/3	1
B'	3	1	-1/3	1/3	1
\tilde{Q}'	$ar{3}$	2	-1/6	-1/3	1
\tilde{T}'	$\bar{3}$	1	-2/3	-1/3	1
\tilde{B}'	$\bar{3}$	1	1/3	-1/3	1
$\tilde{D'}$	$\bar{3}$	1	1/3	2/3	-1
D'	3	1	-1/3	-2/3	-1
ψ_3	1	1	0	0	-1
X	8	1	0	0	-1

Table 4. Spin-1/2 field content of the low-energy effective theory. All fields are left-handed 2 component Weyl spinors.

5.3 Light composites

We assume that below the compositeness scale, the low-energy effective theory contains the Standard Model gauge bosons, three generations of quarks and leptons, composite fermions which form a 45-plet of the SU(10), and composite scalars which also form a 45-plet of the SU(10). While the fermions are necessarily light due to the approximate SU(10) \times U(1) global symmetry, there is no symmetry protecting the mass of the scalars. A description of such a symmetry-breaking transition may be made by introducing scalars, and if the critical value for the preon mass terms is low and the transition is second order then the scalars must be light relative to the compositeness scale. The preon charges in table 3 results in the charges for the composite fermions and bosons given in tables 4 and 5.

The fermion U(1) charges are chosen so that we have an appropriately charged Q and T. Note that because baryon number and lepton number are conserved, we have a conserved discrete "R-parity", $(-1)^{3B+L+2S} \equiv R_P$, which we list as well.

Field	$\mathrm{SU}(3)_c$	$\mathrm{SU}(2)_L$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_Y$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_B$	R_p
h	1	2	1/2	0	1
η	1	1	0	0	1
q'	3	2	1/6	1/3	-1
t'	3	1	2/3	1/3	-1
b'	3	1	-1/3	1/3	-1
\widetilde{q}'	$\bar{3}$	2	-1/6	-1/3	-1
\tilde{t}'	$\bar{3}$	1	-2/3	-1/3	-1
\tilde{b}'	$\bar{3}$	1	1/3	-1/3	-1
$\tilde{d'}$	$\bar{3}$	1	1/3	2/3	1
d'	3	1	-1/3	-2/3	1
ρ	1	1	0	0	1
x	8	1	0	0	1

Table 5. Spin-0 field content of low-energy effective theory.

	$ar{Q}'$	\bar{T}'	\bar{T}_F
Q'	$g_t \phi_0 \cos heta$	$ig_t\phi_0\sin\theta$	0
T'	$ig_t\phi_0\sin\theta$	$g_t \phi_0 \cos \theta$	$g_5\phi_0$
Q_F	$g_6\phi_0$	0	0

Table 6. Charge-2/3 mass matrix.

5.4 Yukawas and partial compositeness

We have obtained masses for the composite top partners via symmetry breaking, but it remains to propagate this to the fundamental top via partial compositeness [19]. This entails linearly coupling the composite quark and top partners to the fundamental ones. We embed the fundamental degrees of freedom in an incomplete $SU(6) \times SU(4)$ multiplet:

$$T_F = \begin{pmatrix} Q_F \ (\bar{T}_F \ 0) \\ 0 \ 0 \end{pmatrix} , \qquad (5.9)$$

and couple it linearly to the quark doublet partner \bar{Q}' and the anti-top partner T':

$$\mathcal{L} \supset g_5 \phi_0 \bar{T}_F T' + g_6 \phi_0 Q_F \bar{Q}' \,. \tag{5.10}$$

This gives the top partners a mass obtained from the charge-2/3 mass matrix $m_{2/3}$ given in table 6, where we have defined $g_t \equiv 2m_A(g_2m_3 + 2g_\psi\phi_0)/\Lambda^2$.

Expanding to first order in θ , we have

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \phi_0 \bar{Q}'(g_t Q' + g_6 Q_F) + \phi_0 T'(g_t \bar{T}' + g_5 \bar{T}_F) + i g_t \phi_0 T' \bar{Q}' \theta + i g_t \phi_0 Q' \bar{T}' \theta .$$
(5.11)

We see that \bar{Q}' pairs with the following linear combination of fields:

$$\frac{g_t Q' + g_6 Q_F}{\sqrt{g_t^2 + g_6^2}} \tag{5.12}$$

to gain a mass.

Similarly, T' pairs with the combination:

$$\frac{g_t \bar{T}' + g_5 \bar{T}_F}{\sqrt{g_t^2 + g_5^2}} \tag{5.13}$$

to become massive.

The linear combinations of fields that are light are given by:

$$T_{L} \equiv \frac{g_{6}Q' - g_{t}Q_{F}}{\sqrt{g_{t}^{2} + g_{6}^{2}}}$$

$$\bar{T}_{R} \equiv \frac{g_{5}\tilde{T}' - g_{t}\bar{T}_{F}}{\sqrt{g_{t}^{2} + g_{5}^{2}}}.$$
 (5.14)

These light quarks have mass term:

$$\frac{\langle h \rangle}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon_5 \epsilon_6 g_t T_L \bar{T}_R \,, \tag{5.15}$$

where we have defined the mixing angles

$$\epsilon_{5} \equiv \frac{g_{5}}{\sqrt{g_{t}^{2} + g_{5}^{2}}} \\ \epsilon_{6} \equiv \frac{g_{6}}{\sqrt{g_{t}^{2} + g_{6}^{2}}}.$$
 (5.16)

In contrast, the other quarks have masses $\phi_0 \sqrt{g_t^2 + g_4^2}$ and $\phi_0 \sqrt{g_t^2 + g_6^2}$, making them much heavier due to the fact that $\langle h \rangle \ll \phi_0$.

5.5 Higgs effective potential

As in [7], the contribution of the top to the Higgs effective potential (which dominates over the gauge boson contribution) is

$$-\sum_{i} 3 \frac{|m_i^2|^2}{16\pi^2} \log |m_i^2|, \qquad (5.17)$$

where $|m_i^2|$ are the eigenvalues of the charge-2/3 mass matrix $m_{2/3}m_{2/3}^{\dagger}$ obtained from eq. (5.10).

The gauging of the EW symmetry does not break the U(1) symmetry under which the η singlet transforms, so it does not get a potential from gauge loops [19]. A massless η would be ruled out by Kaon decays, so we must give it a small mass by adding another spurion

$$\phi_0^3 m_\eta \operatorname{Tr}(\Sigma_0^{\dagger} \Sigma) \,. \tag{5.18}$$

This term also contributes to the Higgs mass, so its contribution must be smaller than the electroweak breaking scale so as not to reintroduce fine-tuning.

6 Phenomenology

6.1 Precision-electroweak and flavor constraints

Any composite Higgs model must satisfy precision electroweak constraints. The most dangerous couplings are those of the bottom quark. At this point, the fundamental bottom quark is still massless. In order to give the bottom quark a mass we will need to couple the fundamental bottom to the composite quarks, for example with a coupling $g_B \bar{B}_F B$. In analogy to the generation of the top mass in eq. (5.11), this coupling will generate a mass for the bottom which is proportional to g_B . Since g_B must be small in order to produce the observed small value of the bottom mass, the corrections to the $Zb\bar{b}$ coupling will be suppressed, as noted in [20, 21].

The S is proportional to $\langle h \rangle^2 / \phi_0^2$ [22], so it does not receive too-large corrections as long the compositeness scale is larger than about 1 TeV. The custodial symmetry protects the T parameter from large corrections [23], but since the Yukawa couplings g_5, g_6, g_B break the custodial symmetry we must consider how large these effects are. The T parameter is modified by one-loop diagrams of the top partners and Standard Model fermions, which is parametrically of order

$$\Delta T \sim \frac{m_t^2}{m_W^2} \epsilon_B^2 \frac{\langle h \rangle^2}{\phi_0^2} \log \frac{g_t^2 \langle h \rangle^2}{m_t^2} \tag{6.1}$$

in the limit $g_B \ll g_5, g_6$ [21]. We conclude that the modifications to the T parameter are small because $\epsilon_B \ll 1$.

We next turn to flavor constraints. Because the top partners are weakly coupled to the Higgs via the partial compositeness mechanism, the scale of flavor violation can be decoupled from the compositeness scale. As shown in [24], we can avoid large flavorchanging neutral currents by assuming that the fundamental Standard Model fermions are coupled to the Sp(6) preons via four-fermion operators at some scale much larger than the compositeness scale Λ .

6.2 Dark matter candidate

As we discussed in section 5.3, this theory has a conserved discrete symmetry related to lepton- and baryon-number symmetry analogous to an "R-parity" for a supersymmetric theory, which we have termed R_p . This symmetry was previously discussed in the context of composite Higgs models in [1] and was termed "dark matter parity". Neutral particles that are odd under this discrete symmetry are good dark matter candidates. From table 4 we see that the neutral, R_p -odd particles are the fermion singlets ψ_a . The lightest of these R_p -odd singlets could be the dark matter.

6.3 Particle spectrum

Since at the compositeness scale the complete SU(10) fermion multiplet is massless and only gains mass from soft breaking terms, while the scalar has mass M_{10} at the compositeness scale and gets additional soft corrections, we will assume all the composite fermions are lighter than the scalars except for the pseudo-Goldstones. Thus, to determine the novel

Particle	$\mathrm{SU}(3)_c$	$\mathrm{SU}(2)_L$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_Y$	$\mathrm{U}(1)_B$	R_p
Y	1	2	1/2	0	-1
\bar{Y}	1	2	-1/2	0	-1
ψ_1	1	1	0	0	-1
ψ_2	1	1	0	0	-1
$\begin{pmatrix} T_L \\ B_L \end{pmatrix}$	3	2	1/6	1/3	1
T_R	3	1	2/3	1/3	1
B_R	3	1	-1/3	1/3	1
$\begin{pmatrix} T'_L \\ B'_L \end{pmatrix}$	3	2	1/6	1/3	1
T'_R	3	1	2/3	1/3	1
B'_R	3	1	-1/3	1/3	1
$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{T}_L''\\ \bar{B}_L'' \end{pmatrix}$	$ar{3}$	2	-1/6	-1/3	1
\bar{T}_R''	$ar{3}$	1	-2/3	-1/3	1
\bar{B}_R''	$ar{3}$	1	1/3	-1/3	1
\bar{D}'	$\bar{3}$	1	1/3	2/3	-1
D'	3	1	-1/3	-2/3	-1
ψ_3	1	1	0	0	-1
X	8	1	0	0	-1

 Table 7. Fermionic Particle Content (Mass Basis).

phenomena of this model at the LHC we only need to consider the decays of the top partners to other fermions and to h and η .

As summarized in table 7, our theory contains the light top quark T and two heavy quarks T' and \overline{T}'' , as well as the bottom B and its partners B' and \overline{B}'' , just like the SU(4)/Sp(4) intermediate Higgs model [7], but it also contains the uncolored weak doublets Y and \overline{Y} , the color triplets with exotic baryon number D' and \overline{D}' , a color octet X, and three neutral singlets ψ_1, ψ_2, ψ_3 . In addition, we have the SU(4)/Sp(4) Higgs doublet hand the additional scalar singlet η .

The phenomenology of this model will depend on the particle spectrum. Masses for the composite fermions are generated by the spurion M and the VEV of ϕ :

$$\phi_0 = \frac{m_3 \Lambda^2}{2M_{10}^2} < \Lambda \,. \tag{6.2}$$

From this expression we see that $m_3/\phi_0 < \Lambda^2/2M_{10}^2$, and so m_3 cannot be parametrically larger than ϕ_0 unless M_{10} is larger than Λ , which would break our perturbative expansion.

Thus from eq. (4.2), we expect that the new fermions will all have mass of order $m_A \phi_0^2 / \Lambda^2$. In contrast, the scalars have typical mass-squared of order ϕ_0^2 , so since we must have $m_A \ll \Lambda$ and $\phi_0 < \Lambda$ in order for the effective compositeness Lagrangian to be consistent, this means that the non-pseudo-Goldstone scalars are generically heavier than the fermions. We can therefore neglect them in our analysis of the low-energy phenomenology.

The partial compositeness described in section 6.1 mixes $T', \bar{T}', T'', \bar{T}'', Q, \bar{Q}$ with the fundamental quarks T_F, Q_F , resulting in the physical quarks T_L and \bar{T}_R as well as two heavier species of quarks. This mechanism results in a top mass of order

$$m_T \sim \epsilon_5 \epsilon_6 \frac{m_A \phi_0}{\Lambda^2} \langle h \rangle ,$$
 (6.3)

which must be matched to the observed value. The fermions which are not top partners have masses of order

$$m_{\rm exotic} \sim g_* \frac{m_A}{\Lambda^2} \phi_0^2 \,, \tag{6.4}$$

where g_* is a linear combination of the coupling parameters $g_{\psi}, g_0, g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4$.

In addition to the top and bottom partners, the particles most relevant for phenomenology are the Higgs and the singlet η , where $m_{\eta} < m_{h}$. The ratio of the exotic fermion masses to the Higgs sector masses is

$$\frac{m_{\text{exotic}}}{\langle h \rangle} \sim g_* \frac{m_A}{\Lambda} \frac{\phi_0}{\Lambda} \frac{\phi_0}{\langle h \rangle} \,, \tag{6.5}$$

where $\phi_0/\langle h \rangle > 1$, $\phi_0/\Lambda < 1$, and $m_A/\Lambda \ll 1$. Note that it is possible for some of the exotic fermions to be lighter than h and η , but since exotic decays of the Higgs are strongly constrained by the LHC, we will not consider this case.

The masses of the exotic fermions are given in terms of the couplings in the Lagrangian as:

$$m_{Y} = m_{\bar{Y}} = \frac{2g_{\psi}m_{A}\phi_{0}^{2}}{\Lambda^{2}}$$

$$m_{\psi_{1}} = m_{Y}$$

$$m_{\psi_{2}} = m_{Y} + \frac{8g_{0}m_{A}\phi_{0}^{2}}{\Lambda^{2}}$$

$$m_{X} = \frac{2m_{A}}{\Lambda^{2}} \left(g_{3}m_{3}^{2} + g_{2}\phi_{0}m_{3} + g_{\psi}\phi_{0}^{2}\right)$$

$$m_{D} = m_{\bar{D}} = 2m_{X}$$

$$m_{\psi_{3}} = m_{X} + \frac{12m_{A}}{\Lambda^{2}} \left(g_{4}m_{3}^{2} + g_{1}\phi_{0}m_{3} + g_{0}\phi_{0}^{2}\right), \qquad (6.6)$$

and the heavy top partners have masses

$$m_{T'} = \phi_0 \sqrt{g_t^2 + g_5^2}$$

$$m_{T''} = \phi_0 \sqrt{g_t^2 + g_6^2},$$
(6.7)

where $g_t = 2m_A(g_2m_3 + 2g_\psi\phi_0)/\Lambda^2$.

6.3.1 Spectrum for $m_3 \ll \phi_0$

For simplicity we will first study the regime where $m_3/\phi_0 \ll 1$ so that at leading order we can neglect the terms proportional to m_3 in the masses. We see that in this limit, $m_X \approx m_Y$ and $m_{\psi_3} \approx m_Y + 12g_0\phi_0^2 m_A/\Lambda^2$. Thus Y, \bar{Y}, ψ_1 , and X have mass m_Y while $D'\bar{D}'$ are heavier, with a mass of approximately $2m_Y$. The remaining fermions ψ_2 and ψ_3 are either lighter or heavier than m_Y , depending on the sign of g_0 . If $g_0 < 0$, then $m_{\psi_3} < m_{\psi_2} < m_Y$, and m_{ψ_3} is the dark matter candidate. The six parameters g_i have collapsed in this limit to two independent parameters, m_Y and m_{ψ_3} because the terms involving g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4 are negligible.

Finally, we need to consider how the heavy top partners fit into the mass hierarchy. Since $\phi_0/m_3 \gg 1$, we find that

$$g_t \approx \frac{4g_\psi m_A \phi_0}{\Lambda^2}.\tag{6.8}$$

Thus, from eq. (6.7) we see that in the limit of no mixing with the fundamental quarks $(g_5 = g_6 = 0), T'$ and T'' both have mass $2m_Y$, which is equal to that of the exotic triplets $D', \bar{D'}$. When g_4 and g_5 are nonzero, Q' and Q'' become heavier than $D', \bar{D'}$ because $\sqrt{g_t^2 + g_i^2} > g_t$. This makes them the heaviest of the exotic fermions.

The masses of heavy top partners are bounded from above by the inverse of the finetuning parameter $\langle h \rangle / \phi_0$. In the absence of fine-tuning they should be lighter than about 800 GeV, and they are bounded from below by LHC searches. Since the X particle is lighter than the top partners in this case, there are strong bounds from light gluino searches on this regime of the model, which we will discuss in section 6.4.

6.3.2 Spectrum for $m_3 \sim \phi_0$

The other regime of our model that is allowed by perturbativity is where m_3 and ϕ_0 are comparable. To understand what this relation implies about the masses in the theory, we can rewrite M_{10} and m_3 in terms of dimensionless parameters, $M_{10} = \epsilon \Lambda$, $m_3 = \beta \Lambda$. Then the constraints imposed by requiring our theory to be perturbative are $\phi_0 < \Lambda$, $M_{10} < \Lambda$, and $m_3 < \Lambda$. In terms of the dimensionless parameters, this is $\epsilon < 1$, $\beta < 1$, $\frac{\beta}{2\epsilon^2} < 1$. Since $m_3/\phi_0 = 2\epsilon^2$, we can take $m_3 \sim \phi_0$ as long as ϵ is a fraction of order one and $\beta \ll 2\epsilon^2$. This corresponds to M_{10} close to (but less than) the compositeness scale, and m_3 much lighter.

In the limit $m_3 \sim \phi_0$, the masses m_Y , m_{ψ_2} , m_X , and m_{ψ_3} are independent parameters. In addition to these mass parameters, we have the top sector masses, m_T , $m_{T'}$, and $m_{T''}$, which are also independent parameters because they depend on g_2 , g_{ψ} , g_5 , and g_6 in the Lagrangian. Thus we can trade seven of the eight original dimensionless parameters g_i in the Lagrangian for the seven masses. Only the pair (g_1, g_4) remains degenerate in eq. (6.6).

6.4 LHC phenomenology

The strongest phenomenological constraints on our scenario comes from the LHC. The phenomenology of the Higgs plus singlet arising from the SU(4)/Sp(4) coset structure was previously studied in [25, 26], but these analyses did not include top partners. Vector-like quark partners coupling to the top that are singlets or doublets under the custodial

dim 4	$h \bar{Y} \psi_a$
	$h\bar{Y}X$
	$\eta\psi_a\psi_b$
dim 5	$ar{Y}\psi_a h\eta$
	$\bar{Y}Xh\eta$
	$\psi_a\psi_b\eta\eta$
$\dim 6$	$\psi_a DT_L^i B_L^j$
	$\psi_a DT_R^i B_R^j$
	$\psi_a X T_L^i \bar{T}_L^j$
	$\psi_a X B_L^i \bar{B}_L^j$
	$\psi_a X T^i_R \bar{T}^j_R$
	$\psi_a X B^i_R \bar{B}^j_R$
	$\psi_a \psi_b X X$
	$\psi_a \psi_b D \bar{D}$
	$\psi_a \psi_b Y \bar{Y}$
	$\psi_a\psi_b\psi_c\psi_d$
	$\psi_a \psi_b T_L^i \bar{T}_L^j$
	$\psi_a \psi_b B^i_L \bar{B}^j_L$
	$\psi_a \psi_b T_R^i \bar{T}_R^j$
	$\psi_a \psi_b B^i_R \bar{B}^j_R$

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Table 8. Leading interactions producing decay of the exotic fermions. Here, the superscript i refers to unprimed, primed, or double primed for the three generations of top and bottom quarks, and the subscript a ranges over 1, 2, 3 for the three neutral fermions.

 $SU(2) \times SU(2)$ have been constrained to have masses greater than around 800 GeV after the first run of the LHC [27], but additional decay modes of the top partners will open new channels for searches at the LHC. In addition, the possibility of producing η will affect the decays of these exotic vector-like quarks.

The standard channels to look for new vector-like quarks are through the decays $T \rightarrow bW$, $T \rightarrow tZ$, and $T \rightarrow th$. Because our model has a light pseudoscalar η , we have the additional processes $T \rightarrow t\eta$ and $B \rightarrow b\eta$. These decays were studied in [28] with the conclusion that the branching ratios to these exotic decays can be large and of the order of the Standard Model decays. Since limits on the top partner mass depend on the branching ratios to Standard Model particles, large branching ratios to η can significantly affect these limits. In addition to η , the exotic fermions D', \bar{D}', X , and the ψ_a will affect searches for the top partners.

To see this, consider table 8, which lists the leading interactions involving the decay of the fermions in our model up to dimension 6 (the full list of interactions including processes other than decays is given in table 9 and table 10 in appendix A). In addition to these, the dimension-4 Higgs sector interactions $hh\eta\eta$, hhhh, $\eta\eta\eta\eta$ are relevant for LHC phenomenology.

6.4.1 LHC constraints for $m_3 \ll \phi_0$

The decay processes depend on the mass hierarchy between the exotic fermions $Y, X, \psi_a, D', \overline{D'}$. We will first explore the case $m_3 \ll \phi_0$. From the discussion in section 6.3, we know that if $g_0 < 0$ then the mass spectrum is $m_{T''} \sim m_{T'} > m_D > m_Y \sim m_X \sim m_{\psi_1} > m_{\psi_2} > m_{\psi_3}$. Any colored particle will be produced from gluons at the LHC, so we expect the color octet X and the $D', \overline{D'}$ to be produced as well as the top partners.

Since decays of X to Y are not kinematically allowed, the dominant decay process of X is to $t\bar{t}\psi_a$ at dimension 6. This means that X acts like a gluino in the case of a heavy stop, and so it decays to t, \bar{t} and a neutralino LSP, which in our case is the dark matter candidate ψ_3 [29].

The main signatures of this model is large missing energy plus multi-jets, which is similar to searches for natural SUSY [30, 31]. These searches constrain the gluinos to be heavier than around 1.2 TeV. This is larger than the upper bound on the top partner mass, so this regime is essentially ruled out. One consideration that tends to weaken the constraint from gluino searches is that if the parameter g_0 is small, then there is a small mass difference between the "gluino" and the "neutralino", which leads to less energetic jets and missing transverse energy, which can weaken the limits on the "gluino" mass [32]. However, we do not expect this weakening to accommodate the required mass of less than 800 GeV for the X. Furthermore, the additional degrees of freedom of the Weyl fermion X with respect to the scalar gluino serve to strengthen the limits. Thus, the $m_3 \ll \phi_0$ regime of our model is not viable in a natural mass regime.

6.4.2 LHC constraints for $m_3 \sim \phi_0$

We turn to the regime where m_3 is of the same order as ϕ_0 . We have several experimental constraints to bound the seven free masses that determine the theory in the case $m_3 \sim \phi_0$: m_T is fixed by its observed value, and $m_{T'}$ and $m_{T''}$ are constrained by naturalness to be less than about 800 GeV. Since in this case m_X is a free parameter, it can be larger than the mass of the heavy top partners, which would alleviate the strong bounds from light gluinos. In addition, since the singlets and the Y could be lighter than the X, there can be additional decay modes to these particles plus the Higgs starting at dimension 4, which we can see from table 8. Since m_D is fixed by this model to have mass $2m_X$, D', \overline{D}' will be heavier than the top partners and can decay to them via dimension-6 operators.

The singlet masses m_{ψ_2} and m_{ψ_3} are not strongly constrained by the LHC, and different hierarchies of these masses can open up additional decay modes for the top partners in table 8. Note that the other singlet m_{ψ_1} is fixed to have the same mass as Y. If either of ψ_2 or ψ_3 is the lightest of the R_p -odd fermions in this model, it can be a dark matter candidate.

This regime of our model has a particle and interaction content that combines aspects of SUSY with that of composite Higgs models. The SUSY-like features, include gluino-, higgsino-, and neutralino-like particles, and a conserved dark matter parity. Composite-like features include two vector-like heavy top partners and an additional pseudoscalar in the Higgs sector.

7 Discussion

The discovery of the Higgs boson at the LHC in the absence of any other new particles has left us few clues to understand its unnaturally small mass. One possibility is that the Higgs boson is light because it is a composite particle of some underlying strongly-coupled gauge theory. In the strongly-coupled regime perturbative calculations cannot be made but lattice calculations can shed light on its spectrum. The low-energy spectrum of such a theory is expected to have complex phenomenology due to the large number of possible composite particles of the fundamental degrees of freedom, in contrast to the simplest composite Higgs models which do not address the UV completion of the theory. Thus we expect realistic models of a composite Higgs to have richer phenomenology than minimal models.

We find that at low energies, this model indeed has several new fermions: a color octet, an electroweak doublet, three scalars, two vector-like quark partners, and a pair of color triplets with exotic baryon number. This theory exhibits phenomenology that combines aspects of SUSY theories with aspects of composite Higgs theories, and can be studied on the lattice to see whether our expectations about the low-energy spectrum are borne out. A recent lattice study of partial compositeness in a SU(4) gauge theory suggests that the spectrum of our model can indeed be probed [33]. They found that the SU(4) model motivated by [12, 13] is not able to produce a realistic top mass and attribute this to the fact that the theory did not have the required near-conformal dynamics to generate small composite fermion masses. In our model, the small fermion mass is due to the theory being confining without breaking the chiral symmetries and having matter content which is near a second-order phase transition so that the chiral symmetry can be spontaneously broken. These assumptions can be checked on the lattice since our fundamental matter content is vector-like. Thus, our model is a good candidate to produce realistic top couplings in a lattice study like [33].

Since this model is the minimal one that can serve as a UV completion of the composite Higgs with top partners and which has a fundamental matter content that can be simulated on the lattice, models with larger symmetry groups will likely provide novel phenomenology accessible to the LHC. A promising avenue for future work is to explore such non-minimal "lattice-friendly" models.

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A Interactions of composite fermions up to dimension 6

Here we list all the allowed operators including the composite fermions up to dimension 6. The subset of these that are relevant for decays are given in table 8. Table 9 lists all dimension-4 and dimension-5 operators involving composite fermions, and table 10 lists the dimension-6 operators.

Dim 4	Dim 5
$hT_R^i \bar{T}_L^j$	$Dar{D}\eta\eta$
$hB_L^i\bar{B}_R^j$	$Y \bar{Y} \eta \eta$
$h\bar{Y}\psi_a$	$\psi_a\psi_b\eta\eta$
$h\bar{Y}X$	$XX\eta\eta$
$\eta Y \bar{Y}$	$\bar{Y}\bar{Y}hh$
$\eta \psi_a \psi_b$	$T_L^i \bar{T}_L^j \eta \eta$
$\eta X X$	$T^i_R \bar{T}^j_R \eta \eta$
$\eta D \bar{D}$	$B^i_R \bar{B}^j_R \eta \eta$
$\eta B_L^i \bar{B}_L^j$	$B^i_L \bar{B}^j_L \eta \eta$
$\eta B_R^i \bar{B}_R^j$	$B^i_R \bar{T}^j_R hh$
$\eta T_L^i \bar{T}_L^j$	$T^i_R \bar{T}^j_L h\eta$
$\eta T_R^i \bar{T}_R^j$	$B^i_L \bar{B}^j_R h\eta$
	$ar{Y}\psi_a h\eta$
	$\bar{Y}Xh\eta$

Table 9. Dimension-4 and dimension-5 operators of fermions for LHC phenomenology. Here, the superscript i refers to unprimed, primed, or double primed for the three generations of top and bottom quarks, and the subscript a ranges over 1, 2, 3 for the three neutral fermions.

DDXX	$\psi_a \psi_b T_L^i \bar{T}_L^j$	$Y\bar{Y}T_L^i\bar{T}_L^j$	$T_L^i \bar{T}_R^j T_R^k \bar{T}_L^m$
$Y\bar{Y}XX$	$\psi_a \psi_b B_L^i \bar{B}_L^j$	$Y \bar{Y} B_L^i \bar{B}_L^j$	$T_L^i \bar{T}_L^j T_L^k \bar{T}_L^m$
$\psi_a \psi_b X X$	$\psi_a \psi_b T_R^i \bar{T}_R^j$	$Y\bar{Y}T^i_R\bar{T}^j_R$	$T^i_R \bar{T}^j_R T^k_R \bar{T}^m_R$
$Y\bar{Y}D\bar{D}$	$\psi_a \psi_b B^i_R \bar{B}^j_R$	$Y\bar{Y}B^i_R\bar{B}^j_R$	$B^i_L\bar{B}^j_LB^k_R\bar{B}^m_R$
$\psi_a \psi_b D \bar{D}$	$\psi_a DT_L^i B_L^j$	$\bar{Y}\bar{Y}T^i_R\bar{B}^j_R$	$B^i_L\bar{B}^j_LB^k_L\bar{B}^m_L$
XXXX	$\psi_a DT^i_R B^j_R$	$YYB^i_R \bar{T}^j_R$	$B^i_R\bar{B}^j_RB^k_R\bar{B}^m_R$
$D\bar{D}D\bar{D}$	$D\bar{D}T_L^i\bar{T}_L^j$	$\bar{Y}YT^i_R\bar{B}^j_R$	$T_L^i \bar{T}_L^j B_R^k \bar{B}_R^m$
$Y\bar{Y}\psi_a\psi_b$	$D\bar{D}B^i_R\bar{B}^j_R$	$XXT_L^i \bar{T}_L^j$	$T^i_R \bar{T}^j_R \bar{B}^k_L B^m_L$
$\psi_a\psi_b\psi_c\psi_d$	$D\bar{D}T^i_R\bar{T}^j_R$	$XXB_L^i \bar{B}_L^j$	$T^i_R \bar{T}^j_R B^k_R \bar{B}^m_R$
$Y\bar{Y}Y\bar{Y}$	$D\bar{D}B^i_L\bar{B}^j_L$	$XXT_R^i \bar{T}_R^j$	$T^i_L \bar{T}^j_L B^k_L \bar{B}^m_L$
$\psi_a X B_L^i \bar{B}_L^j$	$\psi_a X B^i_R \bar{B}^j_R$	$XXB^i_R\bar{B}^j_R$	$T^i_L \bar{T}^j_R B^k_L \bar{B}^m_R$
$\psi_a X T_R^i \bar{T}_R^j$	$\psi_a X T_L^i \bar{T}_L^j$		$\bar{T}_L^i T_R^j \bar{B}_L^k B_R^m$

Table 10. Dimension-6 operators of fermions for LHC phenomenology. Here, the superscript i refers to unprimed, primed, or double primed for the three generations of top and bottom quarks, and the subscript a ranges over 1, 2, 3 for the three neutral fermions.

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