
Discrete Goldstone Bosons



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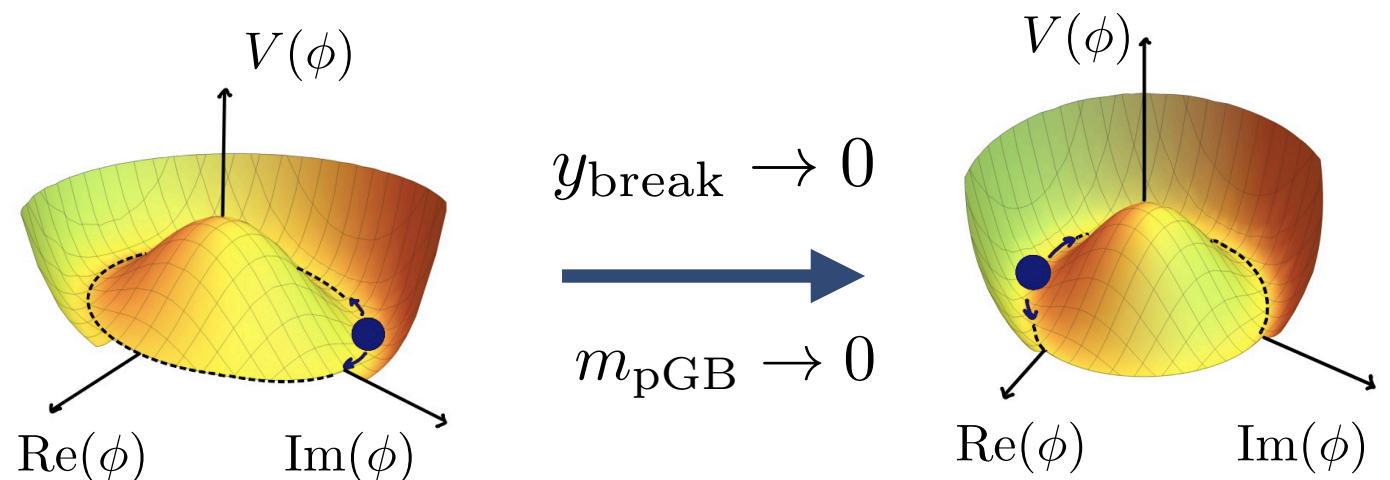
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Pseudo-Goldstone Bosons

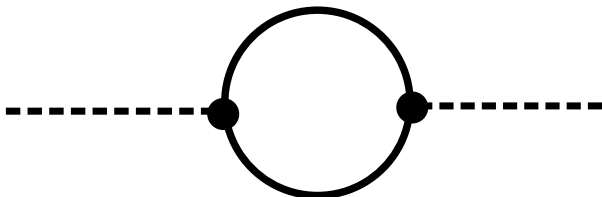
❖ How can these scales be separated?

$$m_{\text{scalar}}^2 \longleftrightarrow \Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2$$

❖ Pseudo-Goldstone boson masses are technically natural



❖ Generically:


 $\rightarrow m_{\pi}^2 \sim y_{\text{break}}^2 \Lambda_{\text{NP}}^2$

❖ The value of y_{break} is arbitrary

Discrete Symmetries and Pseudo-Goldstone Bosons

- ❖ Discrete symmetries may be more fundamental, compatible with gravity
- ❖ Additional Z_N symmetries can enhance the mass protection of axionlike pGB fields
- ❖ Higher N leads to greater suppression:

$$Z_N \xrightarrow{N \rightarrow \infty} U(1)$$

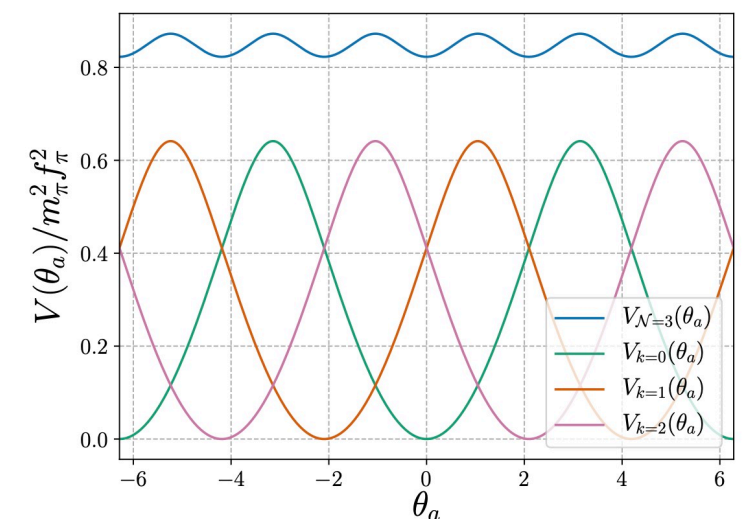
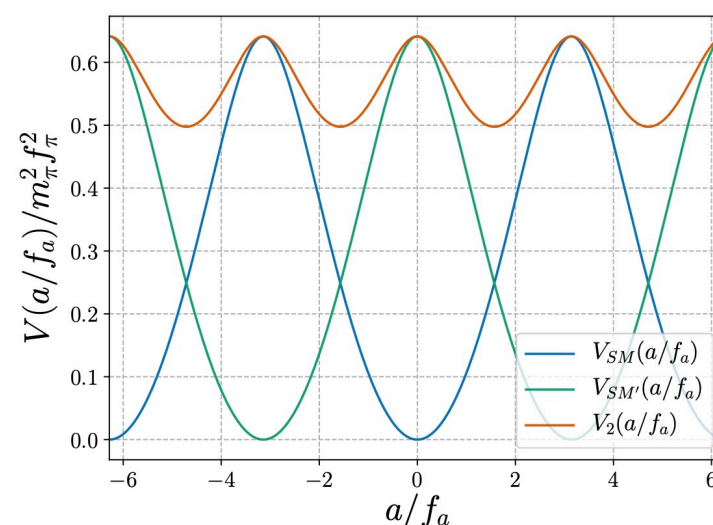
$$m_a \rightarrow 0$$

Hawking (1975)

Kallosh, Linde, Linde, Susskind (1995)

Hook, arXiv:1802.10093

Di Luzio, Gavela, Quilez, Ringwald, arXiv:2102.00012



Plots lifted from Di Luzio, Gavela, Quilez, Ringwald, arXiv:2102.00012

Non-Abelian Discrete A_4

- ❖ A_4 is the simplest non-Abelian discrete group with a three-dimensional irreducible representation

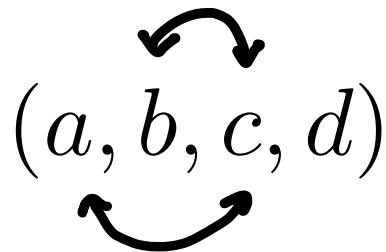
➔ useful in flavor model building, can contain three generations

Ma, Rajasekaran (2001)

Babu, Ma, Valle (2002)

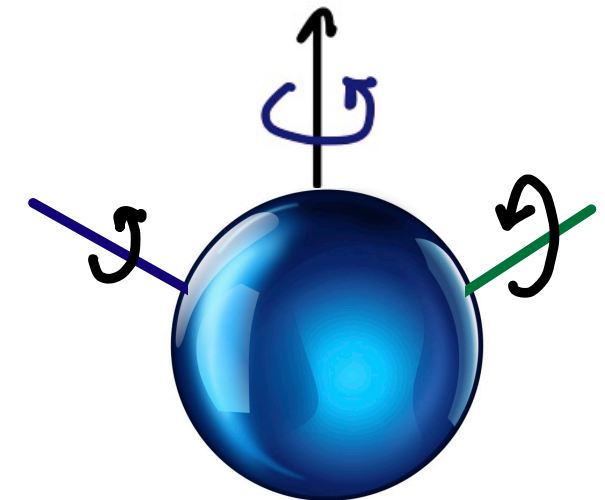
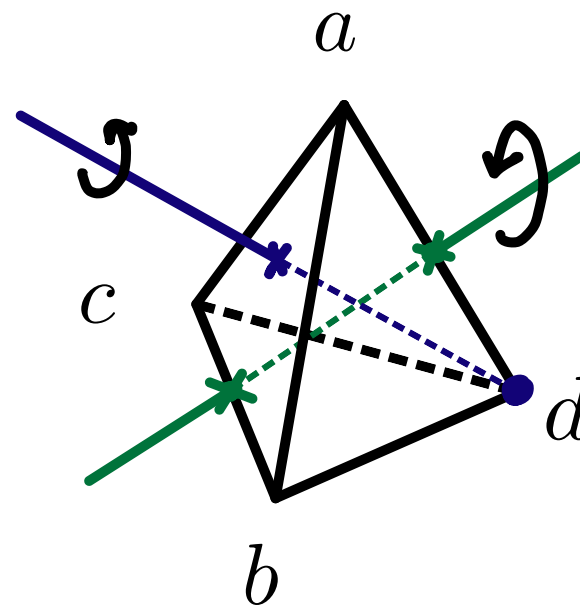
Altarelli, Feruglio (2005)

- ❖ A_4 group elements: all even permutations of four objects



Even # of swaps

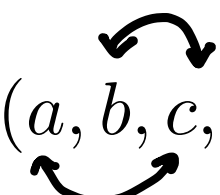
Ishimori, *et al*, arXiv:1003.3552



A_4 is a subgroup of $SO(3)$

Properties of the A_4 Group

Even permutations of four elements

- ❖ t generator: $(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (b, c, a, d)$

- ❖ Eight “face rotations”:

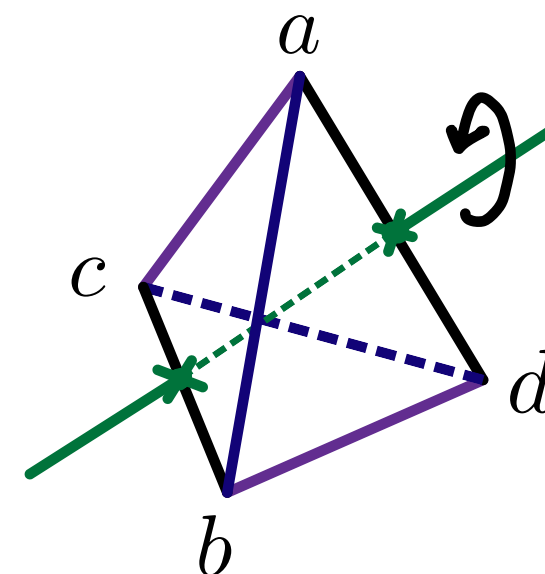
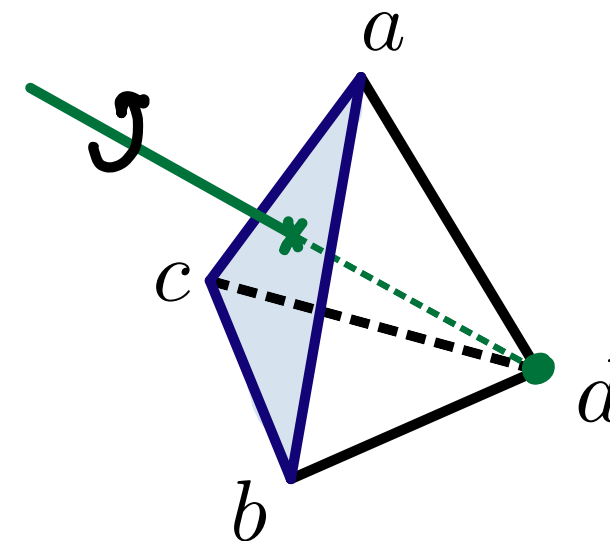
$$(t, sts, st, ts)$$

$$(t^2, tst, st^2, t^2s)$$
- ❖ s generator: $(a, b, c, d) \rightarrow (b, a, d, c)$

- ❖ Three “double flips”: (s, t^2s, tst^2)

➔ $4!/2 = 12$ total group elements

Symmetries of the tetrahedron



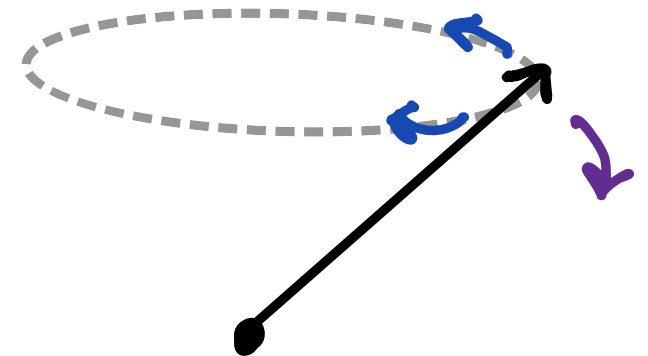
Properties of the A_4 Group

- ❖ Irreducible representations of A_4 :
 - ❖ Trivial singlet (invariant)
 - ❖ Nontrivial singlets (pick up phases)
 - ❖ Triplets
- ❖ Of interest to discrete symmetry model builders:

$$3 \times 3 = 1 + 1' + 1'' + 3 + 3'$$

$$A_3 \times B_3 \ni \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \{A_y, B_z\} \\ \{A_z, B_x\} \\ \{A_x, B_y\} \end{pmatrix}}_{\tilde{\epsilon}_{ijk} A_i B_j} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} [A_y, B_z] \\ [A_z, B_x] \\ [A_x, B_y] \end{pmatrix}}_{\epsilon_{ijk} A_i B_j}$$

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_{ijk} = |\epsilon_{ijk}|$$



Nonlinearly Realized Discrete A_4

Das, Hook, arXiv:2006.10767

- ❖ The field ϕ has an $SO(3)$ invariant potential in the UV:

$$V(\phi) = -\frac{m^2}{2}\phi^T\phi + \frac{\lambda}{4}(\phi^T\phi)^2$$

- ❖ $SO(3)$ is broken by A_4 invariant Yukawa interactions:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = \underbrace{y_a \epsilon^{ijk} \bar{\psi}_i \psi_j \phi_k}_{SO(3) \text{ invariant}} + \underbrace{y_s \tilde{\epsilon}^{ijk} \bar{\psi}_i \psi_j \phi_k}_{SO(3) \text{ breaking}} \quad \tilde{\epsilon}_{ijk} = |\epsilon_{ijk}|$$

- ❖ Upon SSB:

$$SO(3) \rightarrow SO(2) \Rightarrow \phi(\pi_1, \pi_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \exp \left[\frac{1}{f} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \pi_1 \\ 0 & 0 & \pi_2 \\ -\pi_1 & -\pi_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

Nonlinearly Realized Discrete A_4

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- ❖ The quadratically divergent mass contributions stemming from $SO(3)$ -breaking terms cancel:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = y_s \pi_1 (\bar{\Psi}_2 \Psi_3 + \bar{\Psi}_3 \Psi_2) + y_s \pi_2 (\bar{\Psi}_3 \Psi_1 + \bar{\Psi}_1 \Psi_3) + y_s f \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2}{f^2} \right) (\bar{\Psi}_1 \Psi_2 + \bar{\Psi}_2 \Psi_1)$$

$$\delta m_\pi^2 \ni \text{---} \overset{y_s}{\bullet} \text{---} \text{---} \overset{y_s}{\bullet} \text{---} + \text{---} \overset{y_s f}{\bullet} \text{---} \text{---} \overset{-\frac{y_s}{2f}}{\bullet} \text{---}$$

- ❖ Similar to Little Higgs models

Arkani-Hamed, Cohen, Gregoire, Wacker (2002)

Arkani-Hamed, Cohen, Katz, Nelson (2002)

➡ How general is this?

General Nonlinear Discrete Symmetries

- ❖ Consider a general scalar field Φ in an irreducible m -dimensional real representation of some discrete group D :

$$\Phi \equiv (\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_m)$$

- ❖ Nonlinearity constraint: $\Phi^T \Phi = \phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2 + \dots + \phi_m^2 = f^2$
- ❖ Reduces the number of dof's by 1, resulting in a set of $m - 1$ light spin-0 particles
 - ❖ These are the **discrete Goldstone Bosons (dGB)**
 - ❖ If D is embedded in a continuous group G , these are a class of pseudo-Goldstone bosons

The EFT for A_4 dGBs

- ❖ Consider a scalar field in the triplet of A_4 : $\Phi \equiv (\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3)$
- ❖ The full A_4 invariant potential is a function of the primary invariants:

$$\mathcal{I}_2 = \phi_i \phi_i = \phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2 + \phi_3^2 \quad \leftarrow \text{SO(3) invariant}$$

$$\mathcal{I}_3 = \prod_{i < j < k} \phi_i \phi_j \phi_k = \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3$$
$$\mathcal{I}_4 = \sum_i \phi_i^4 = \phi_1^4 + \phi_2^4 + \phi_3^4$$

} SO(3) breaking

- ❖ There is also a secondary invariant: one non-polynomial combination of the primaries

$$4\mathcal{I}_6^2 = 2\mathcal{I}_4^3 - 5\mathcal{I}_4^2\mathcal{I}_2^2 + 4\mathcal{I}_4\mathcal{I}_2^4 - 36\mathcal{I}_4\mathcal{I}_3^2\mathcal{I}_2 - \mathcal{I}_2^6 + 20\mathcal{I}_3^2\mathcal{I}_2^3 - 108\mathcal{I}_3^4$$

The EFT for A_4 dGBs

- ❖ The most general potential can be written as a *polynomial* of the primary and secondary invariants

$$V_{\text{dGB}} = f^2 \Lambda^2 \sum_{\substack{a,b,c \\ c=0,1}}^{\infty} \hat{c}_{abc} \left(\frac{\mathcal{I}_3}{f^3} \right)^a \left(\frac{\mathcal{I}_4}{f^4} \right)^b \left(\frac{\mathcal{I}_6}{f^6} \right)^c$$

The primary invariants

$$\mathcal{I}_2 = \phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2 + \phi_3^2$$

$$\mathcal{I}_3 = \phi_1 \phi_2 \phi_3$$

$$\mathcal{I}_4 = \phi_1^4 + \phi_2^4 + \phi_3^4$$

- ❖ We can expand this out in terms of (non-primary) invariants

$$V_{\text{dGB}} = f^2 \Lambda^2 \left[\hat{c}_3 \frac{\mathcal{I}_3}{f^3} + \hat{c}_4 \frac{\mathcal{I}_4}{f^4} + \hat{c}_6 \frac{\mathcal{I}_6}{f^6} + \hat{c}_7 \frac{\mathcal{I}_7}{f^7} + \dots \right], \quad \Lambda \leq 4\pi f$$

- ❖ Below Λ , the nonlinearity constraint holds: $\mathcal{I}_2 = f^2$

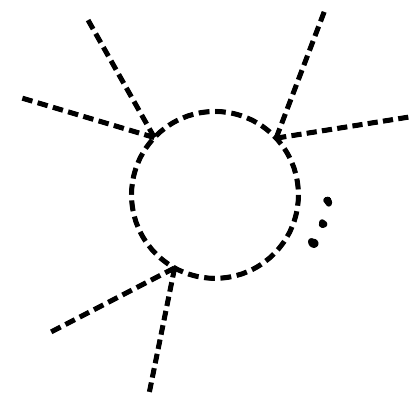
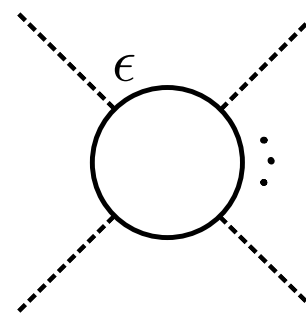
The dGB Potential

- ❖ The most general potential:

$$V_{\text{dGB}} = f^2 \Lambda^2 \left[\hat{c}_3 \frac{\mathcal{I}_3}{f^3} + \hat{c}_4 \frac{\mathcal{I}_4}{f^4} + \hat{c}_6 \frac{\mathcal{I}_6}{f^6} + \hat{c}_7 \frac{\mathcal{I}_7}{f^7} + \dots \right]$$

- ❖ If the $\hat{c}_n$ are all $\mathcal{O}(1)$, then all terms will contribute equally
- ❖ It is easy, however, to arrange for lower order terms to dominate
- ❖ If the invariant operators are generated by renormalizable interactions:

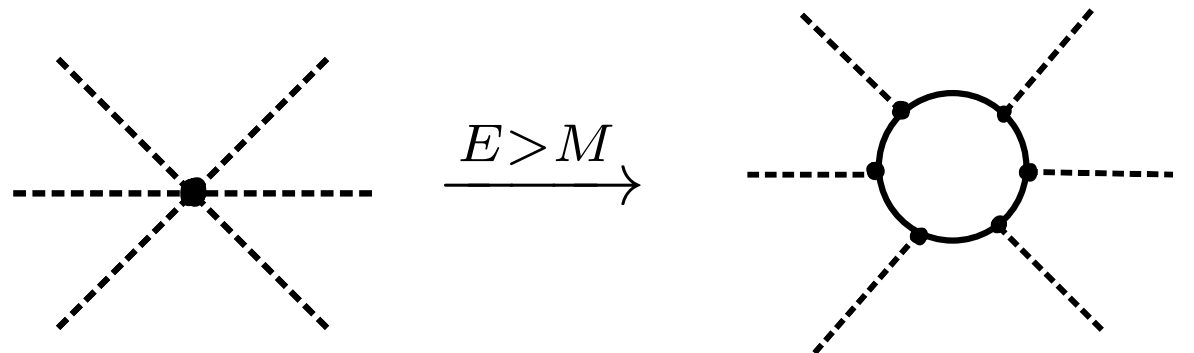
$$\hat{c}_n \sim \epsilon^n$$



- ❖ Being a *little* less agnostic about the UV theory can allow us to talk about scales that are not f

Additional $\hat{c}_n$ Suppression

- ❖ Consider that higher dimensional operator interactions are mediated by a fermion with mass M



$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{M^4}{16\pi^2} \sum_n \left(y \frac{\Phi}{M} \right)^n = \Lambda^2 f^2 \sum_n y^n \left(\frac{\Lambda}{M} \right)^{n-4} \left(\frac{\Phi}{\Lambda} \right)^n \quad (\Lambda \lesssim 4\pi f)$$

- ❖ Allows us to estimate the sizes of $\hat{c}_n$:
$$\hat{c}_n \sim y^n \left(\frac{\Lambda}{M} \right)^{n-4}$$
- ❖ We can say that the $n > 4$ terms will be subdominant so long as either:
 - ❖ $y < 1$
 - ❖ $M > \Lambda$

(for $\mathcal{I}_3 > \mathcal{I}_4$, we must assume $y < 1$)

The dGB Potential

- ❖ Invariant interactions generate seemingly destabilizing mass contributions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{I}_3 : & \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi_2 \\ \text{---} \bigcirc \text{---} \\ \phi_1 \quad \phi_1 \\ \phi_3 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi_1 \\ \text{---} \bigcirc \text{---} \\ \phi_2 \quad \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi_1 \\ \text{---} \bigcirc \text{---} \\ \phi_3 \quad \phi_3 \\ \phi_2 \end{array} \propto \mathcal{I}_2 \\
 \mathcal{I}_4 : & \quad \begin{array}{c} \phi_i \\ \text{---} \bigcirc \text{---} \\ \phi_i \quad \phi_i \end{array} \propto \mathcal{I}_2
 \end{aligned}$$

- ❖ These contributions are rendered harmless by the nonlinearity constraint

$$\Phi^T \Phi = \phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2 + \phi_3^2 = f^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{I}_2 = f^2 \quad \Rightarrow \text{Non-dynamical}$$

- ❖ Nothing proportional to $\mathcal{I}_2$ will generate mass terms for the dGBs (but other invariants will)

The Minima of V_{dGB}

- ❖ Next, we want to parameterize the low energy theory after V_{dGB} takes a vev

- ❖ $V(\Phi)$ is a function of the primary invariants:

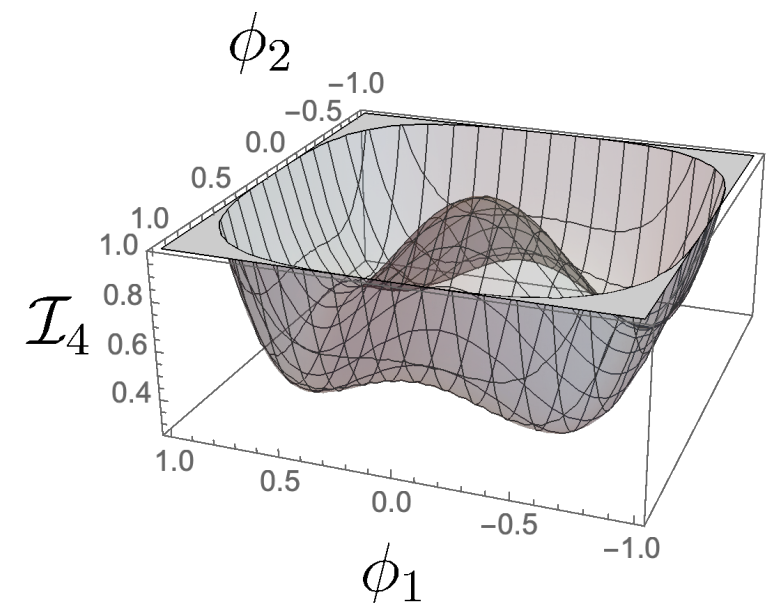
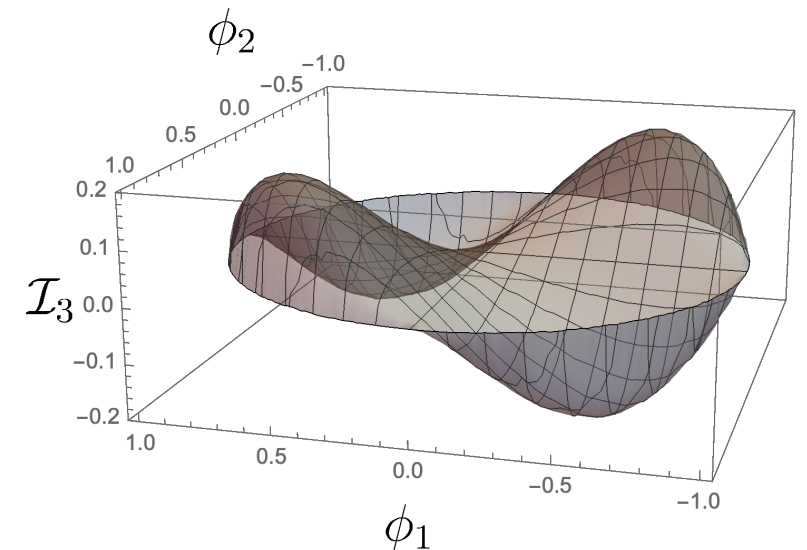
$$V(\Phi) = f(I_3, I_4)$$

- ❖ The critical points of V occur when:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi_j} = \sum_i \frac{\partial V}{\partial I_i} \frac{\partial I_i}{\partial \phi_j} = 0$$

Depends on the particular form of the potential

Depends on the structure of the invariants



The Minima of V_{dGB}

❖ Two different types of extrema:

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi_j} = \sum_i \frac{\partial V}{\partial I_i} \frac{\partial I_i}{\partial \phi_j} = 0$$

- 1) **Model-dependent extrema:** the position of the minimum depends on a specific combination of parameters in the potential.

➡ Example: SM Higgs

- 2) **Natural extrema:** Extrema of the invariants themselves

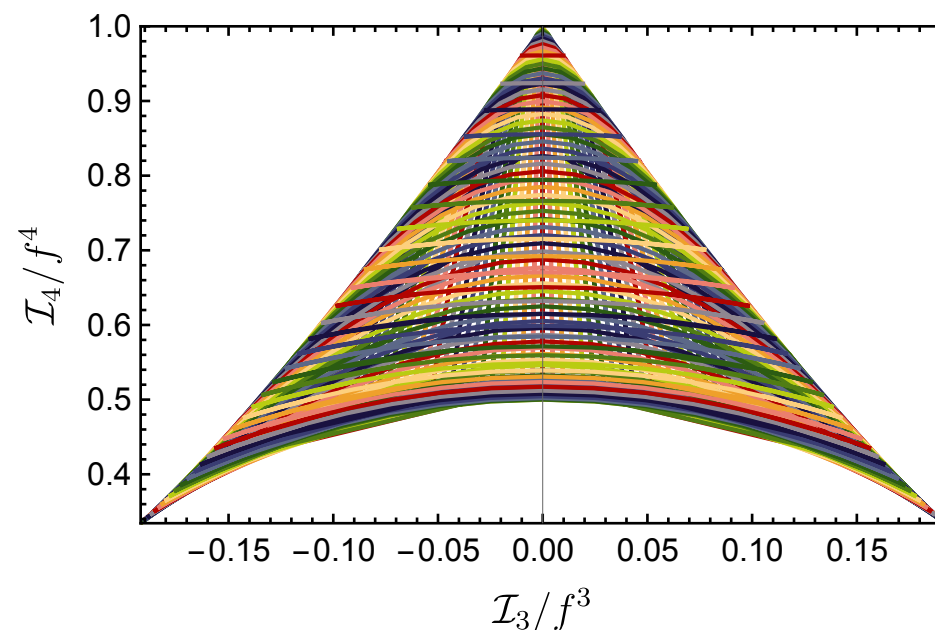
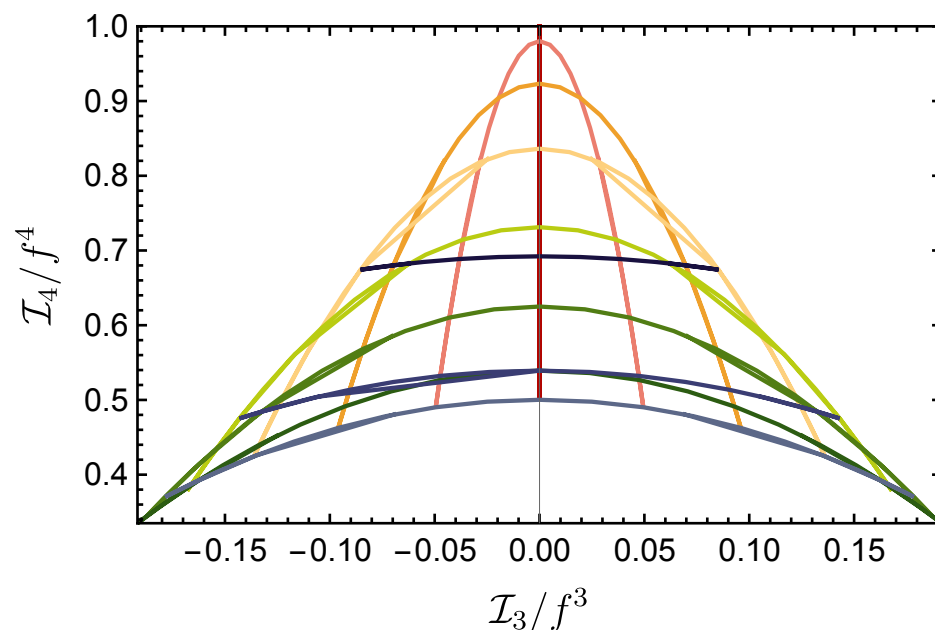
$$\det J = 0 \quad , \quad J_{ij} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{I}_i}{\partial \phi_j}$$

➡ Only depend on the discrete symmetry

➡ Reduction in rank of the Jacobian indicates preserved symmetry at that minimum

The Natural Minima

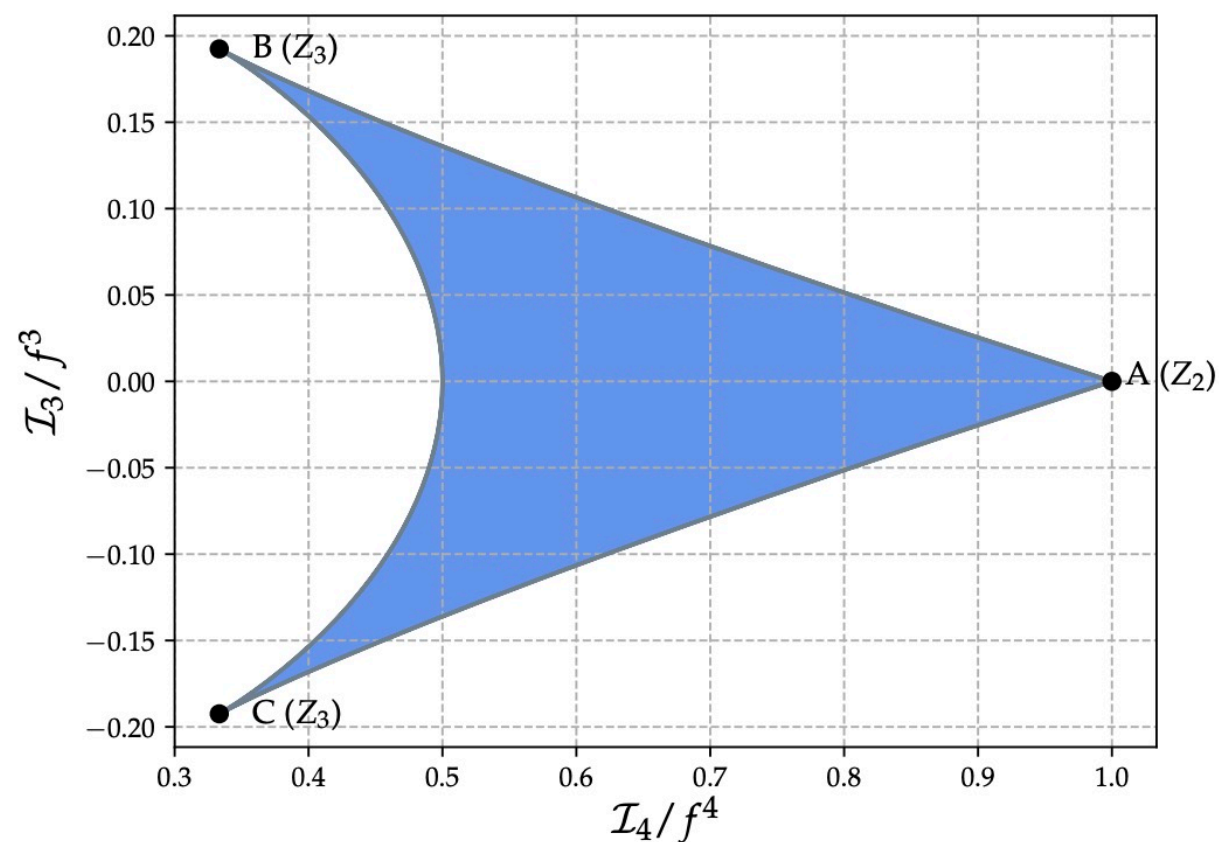
- ❖ The space spanned by $\mathcal{I}_3$ and $\mathcal{I}_4$ given the nonlinearity constraint is bounded
- ❖ At the boundaries, the trajectories must reverse, and $\partial\mathcal{I}_i/\partial\phi_j$ is forced to change signs



- ❖ The natural extrema live on the boundaries. Where the edges meet at points give **maximally natural extrema**

The Natural Minima

Manifold of the A_4 invariants



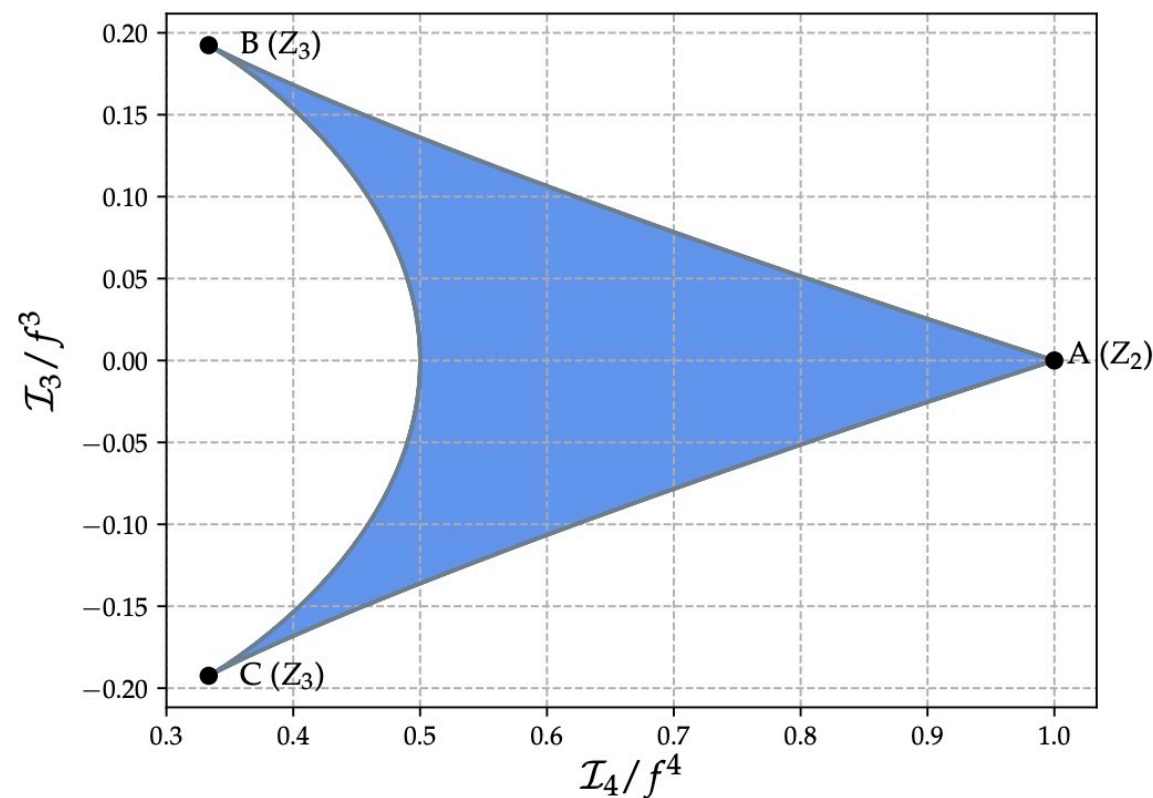
- ❖ The maximally natural extrema positions **do not depend** on the coupling constants in the potential
- ❖ Maximally natural extrema correspond to vevs that **preserve subgroups** of the discrete symmetry

- ❖ For the rest of the talk, I will focus on maximally natural extrema to get a general sense of dGB phenomenology
- ❖ There is no guarantee, however, that natural extrema are global minima

The Natural Minima

- ❖ The group of transformations that leave positions of the extrema invariant will be the preserved subgroups of the discrete symmetry

Manifold of the A_4 invariants

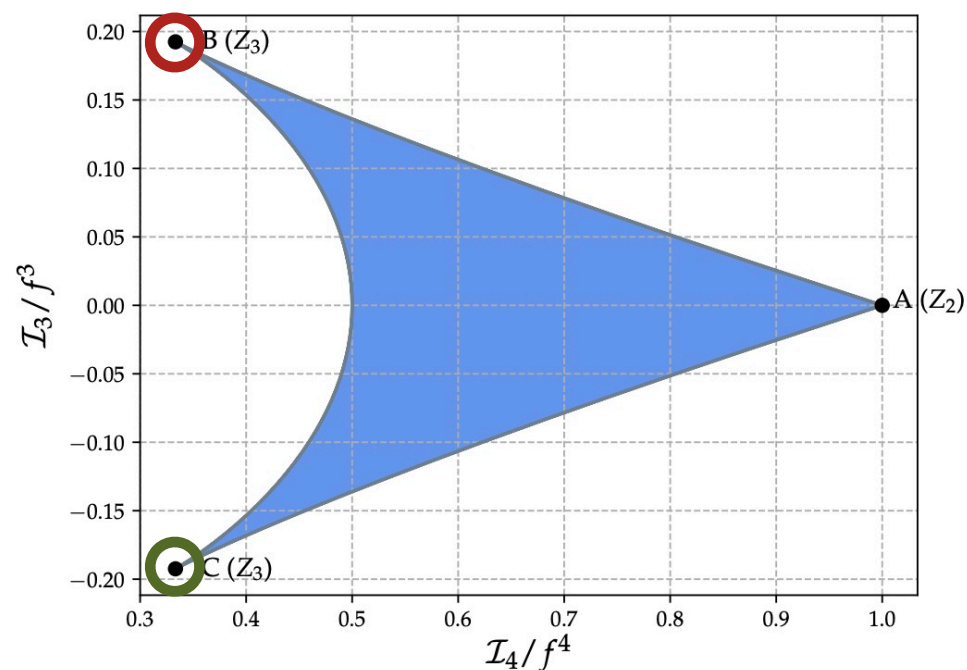


Natural singular points for a triplet of A_4

Point	$\mathcal{I}_3$	$\mathcal{I}_4$	ϕ_1	ϕ_2	ϕ_3	Little group	Nature
A	0	1	0 0 ± 1	0 ± 1 0	± 1 0 0	Z_2	Saddles
B	$\frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	Z_3	Minima
C	$-\frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$ $\mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	Z_3	Minima

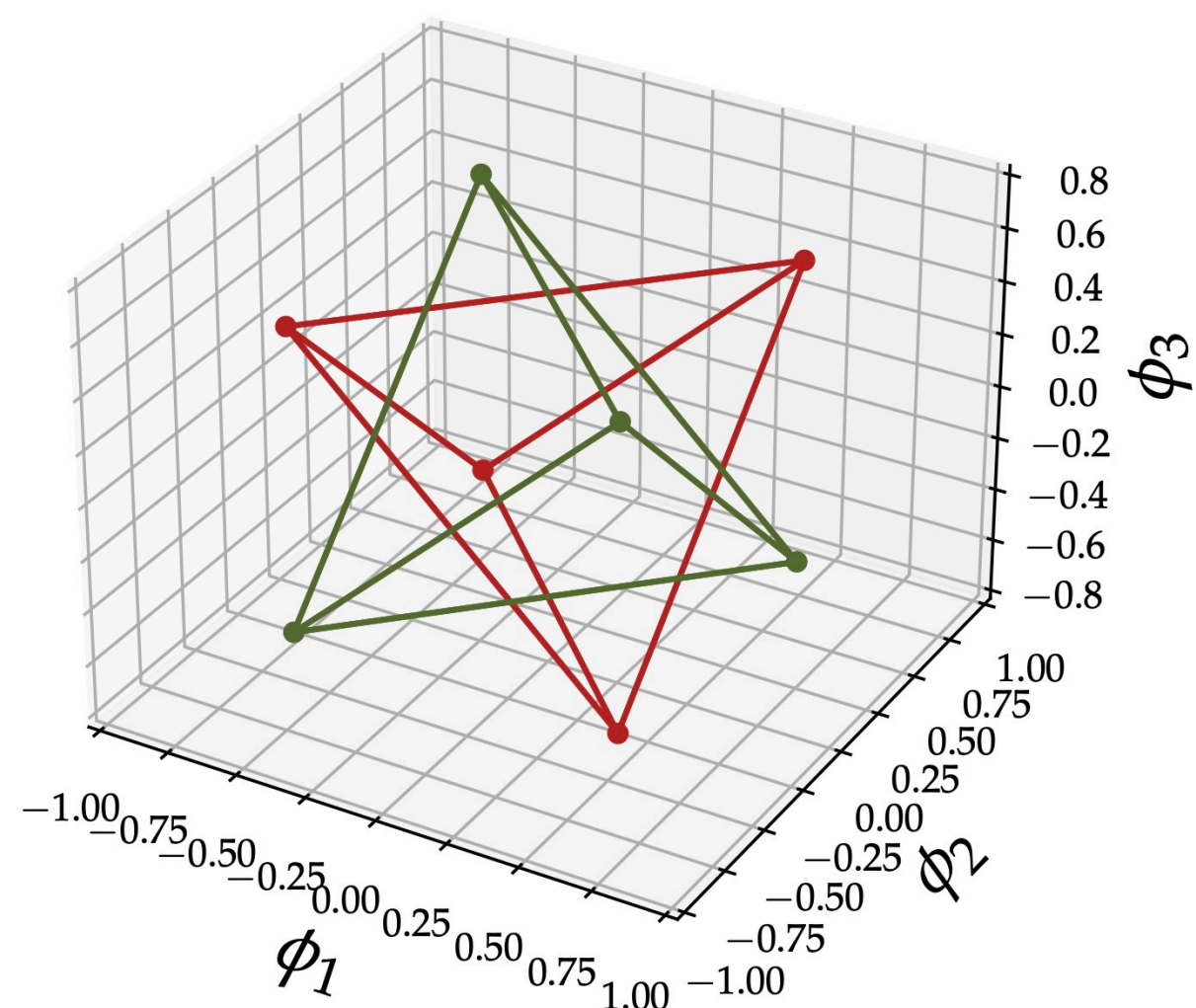
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C	$-\frac{1}{3\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	Z_3	Minima

Position in field space

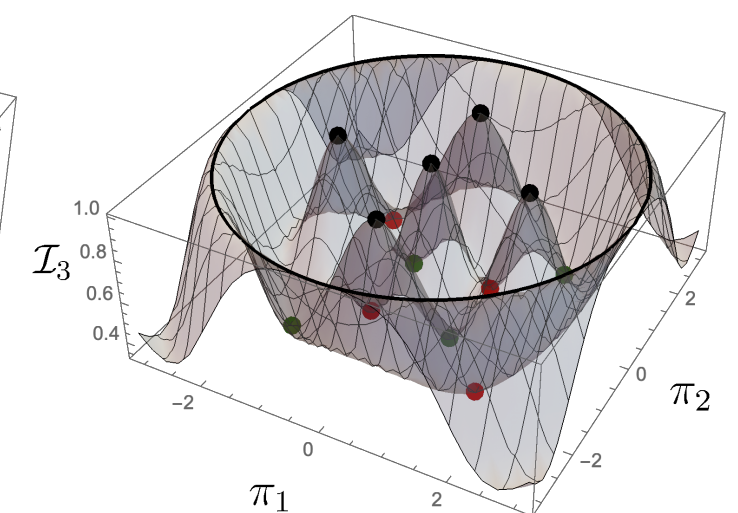
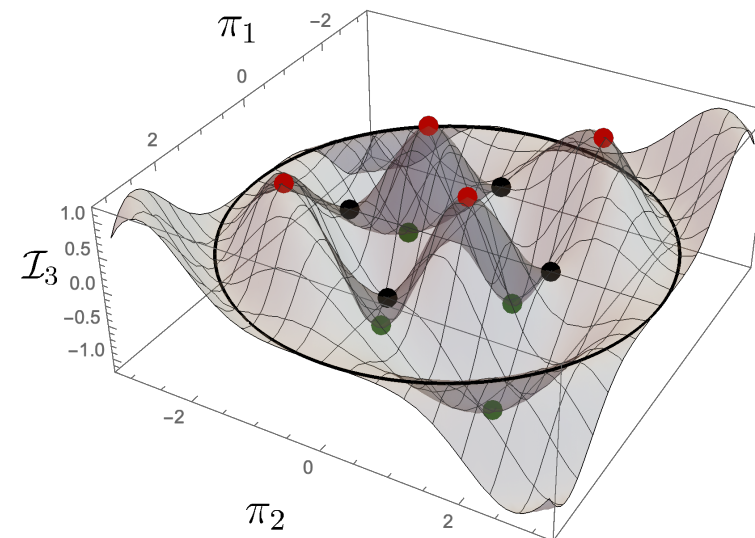


The dGB Fields

- ❖ Expanding ϕ around its minimum gives the dGB fields:

$$\phi(\pi_1, \pi_2) = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \exp \left[\frac{1}{f} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \pi_1 \\ 0 & 0 & \pi_2 \\ -\pi_1 & -\pi_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ f \end{pmatrix}$$

Point	ϕ_1	ϕ_2	ϕ_3	Little group	Nature
A	0	0	± 1	Z_2	Saddles
	0	± 1	0		
	± 1	0	0		
B	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	Z_3	Minima
	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$		
	$\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$		
C	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	Z_3	Minima
	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$		
	$\pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$	$\mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$		



The dGB Fields

- ❖ The invariants in terms of dGB fields

$$I_3 = \frac{f}{\sqrt{3}} \left[-\frac{f^2}{3} + \pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2 - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}f} (\pi_1^3 - 3\pi_1\pi_2^2) - \frac{17}{24f^2} (\pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2)^2 \right] + \dots$$

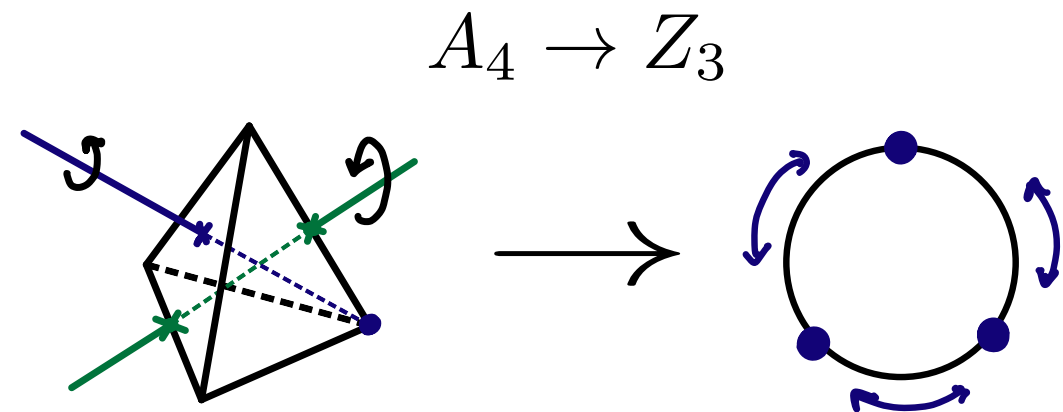
$$I_4 = \frac{4f^2}{3} \left[\frac{f^2}{4} + \pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}f} (\pi_1^3 - 3\pi_1\pi_2^2) - \frac{29}{24f^2} (\pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2)^2 \right] + \dots$$

- ❖ The Z_3 symmetry is manifest, which can be seen by looking at the invariants of Z_3 :

$$\mathcal{I}_2^{(2,Z_3)} = \pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2$$

$$\mathcal{I}_3^{(2,Z_3)} = \pi_1^3 - 3\pi_1\pi_2^2$$

➡ degenerate dGBs



The dGB Mass Protection

- ❖ The leading mass contributions stemming from $SO(3)$ -breaking terms are:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1: A circle with four external dashed lines, each labeled } y_s. \end{array} & \xrightarrow{SO(3) \rightarrow SO(2)} & \delta m_\pi^2 \ni \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 2: A circle with two horizontal external dashed lines labeled } y_s. \text{ The top and bottom vertices are marked with } y_s f. \end{array} \sim y^4 f^2 \log \left(\frac{m_\psi}{\mu} \right) \\
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 \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 3: A circle with four external dashed lines, each labeled } y_s. \text{ The top vertex is marked with } m_\psi. \end{array} & \xrightarrow{SO(3) \rightarrow SO(2)} & \delta m_\pi^2 \ni \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 4: A circle with two horizontal external dashed lines labeled } y_s. \text{ The top vertex is marked with } m_\psi \text{ and the bottom with } y_s f. \end{array} \sim y^3 f m_\psi \log \left(\frac{m_\psi}{\mu} \right)
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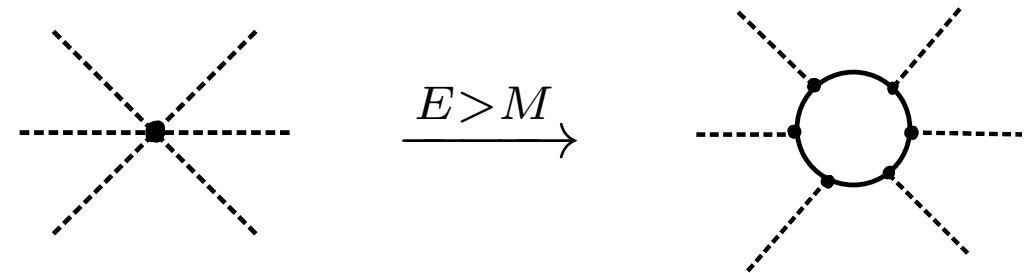
- ❖ Higher invariants yield either more Yukawa insertions or higher loops

- ❖ Guaranteed cancellation:

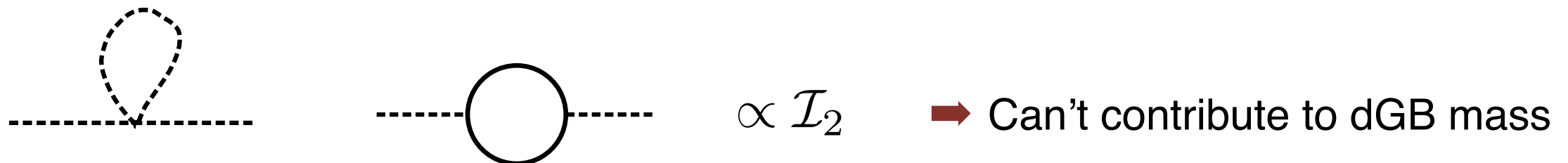
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 5: A circle with two horizontal external dashed lines labeled } y_s. \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 6: A tadpole diagram with a horizontal external dashed line labeled } y_s \text{ at the bottom and a loop with a vertex labeled } y_s f \text{ at the top.} \\ -\frac{y_s}{2f} \end{array}$$

The dGB Mass Protection above the SSB Scale

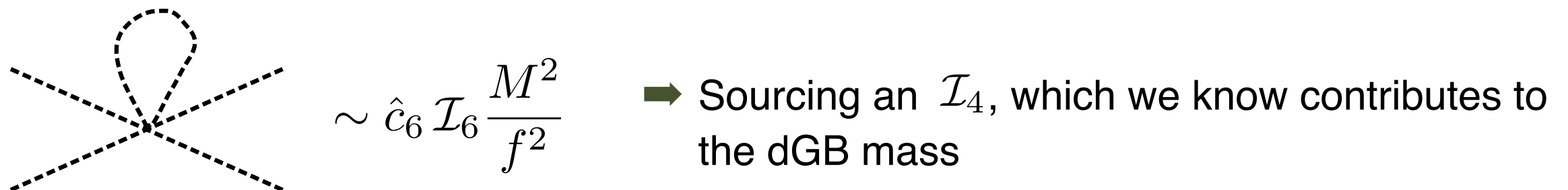
- Consider again the theory above f with a single fermion with mass M :



- Above M , the $> \log$ divergent diagrams we can make (at one loop) are:

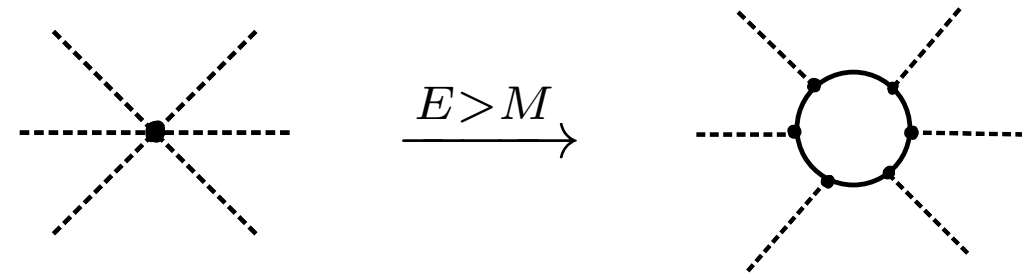


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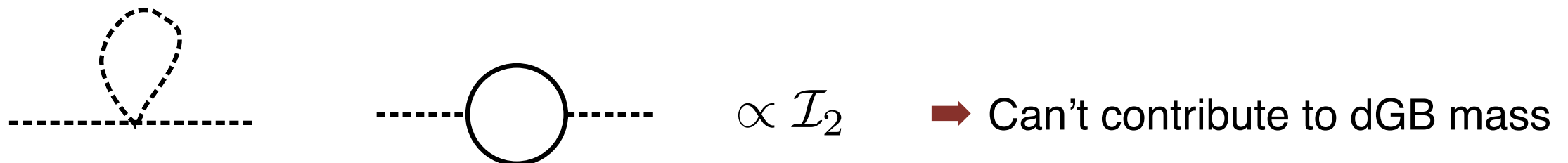


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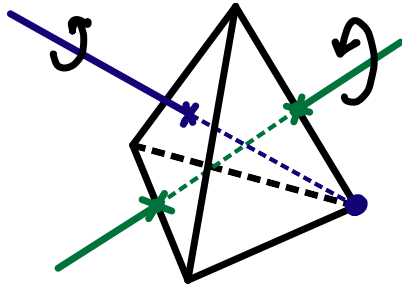
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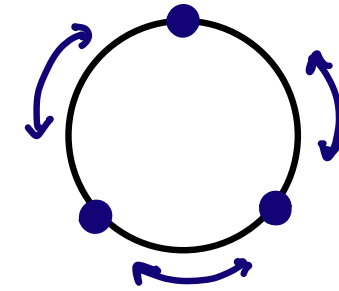
where $\hat{c}_n \sim y^n \left(\frac{f}{M} \right)^{n-4}$

➔ M sensitivity cancels out

Phenomenology of A_4 dGBs



$$A_4 \rightarrow Z_3$$



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2-dGB production

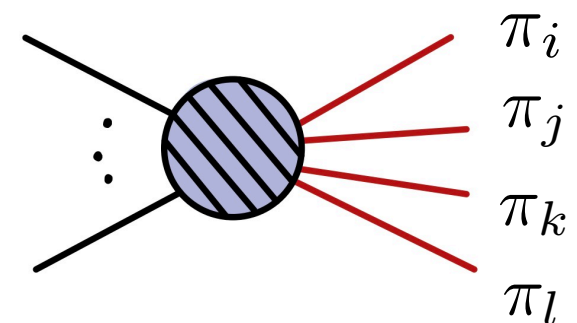
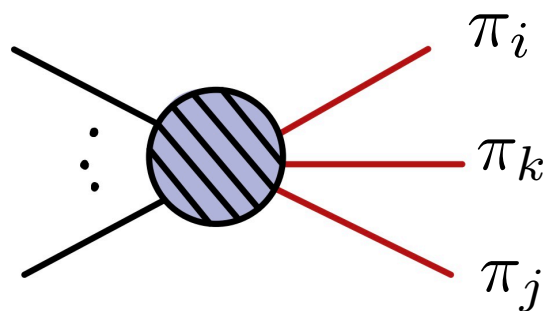
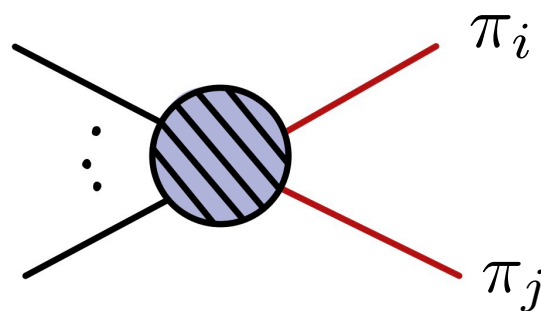
3-dGB production

4-dGB production

Phenomenology of A_4 dGBs

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$$\frac{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 2\pi)}{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 3\pi)} = 2f^2 \frac{\Pi_2}{\Pi_3} = 64\pi^2 \frac{f^2}{E_{\text{CM}}^2}$$

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Low (2014)

$A_4 \rightarrow Z_3$ dGB Summary

❖ Naturally light, nonzero masses:

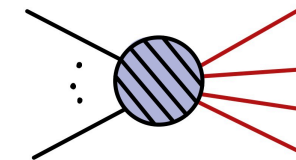
❖ LO quadratically divergent contributions cancel:

$$\text{---}\bigcirc\text{---} + \text{---}\text{---}\text{---} = 0$$

❖ Nonzero mass generated even with **exact symmetry**

$$\text{---}\bigcirc\text{---} \sim y^4 f^2 \log\left(\frac{m_\psi}{\mu}\right)$$

❖ Smoking gun signal: simultaneous invisible production

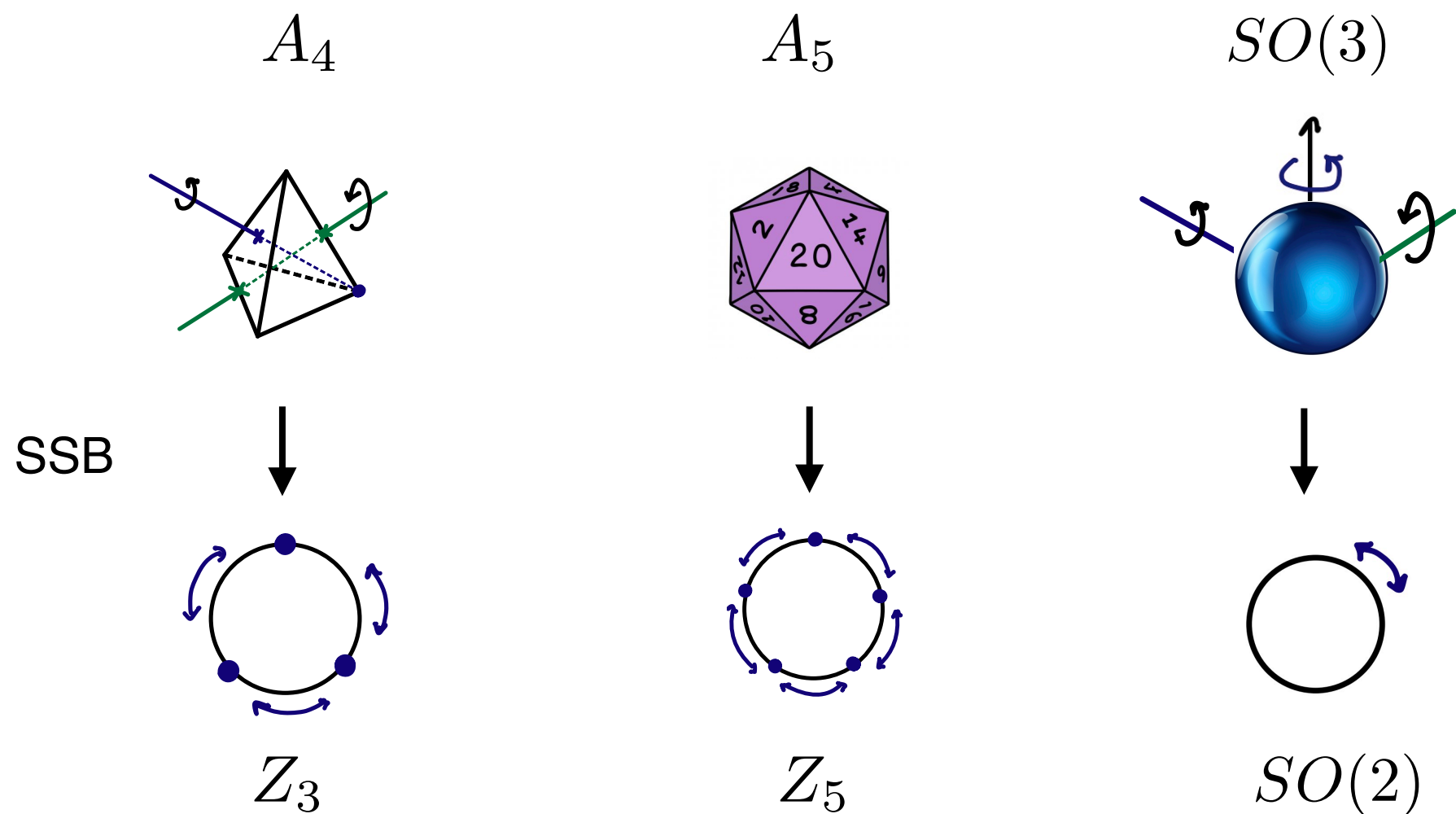


❖ Access to the full UV symmetry group by measuring ratios of invisible production

$$\frac{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 3\pi)}{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 4\pi)} = \frac{36f^2}{19(17)^2} \frac{\Pi_3}{\Pi_4}$$

This ratio is a result of the A_4 symmetry active **above the SSB scale**

Higher Non-Abelian Discrete Symmetry Example: A_5



The Triplet of A_5



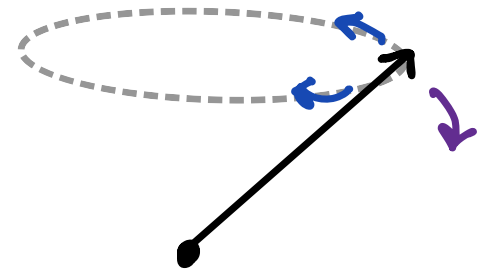
Even permutations of:
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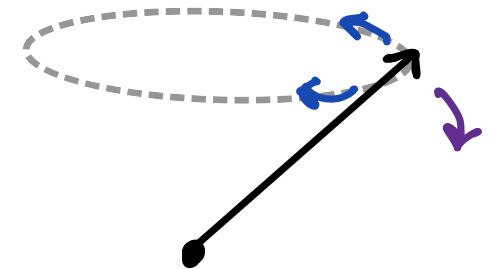
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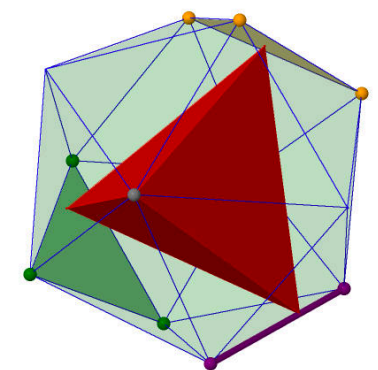
❖ The primary invariants of the triplet of A_5 :

$$\mathcal{I}_2^{(\mathbf{3}, A_5)} = \mathcal{I}_2$$

$$\mathcal{I}_6^{(\mathbf{3}, A_5)} = 22 \mathcal{I}_3^2 + \mathcal{I}_2 \mathcal{I}_4 - 2\sqrt{5} \mathcal{I}_6$$

$$\mathcal{I}_{10}^{(\mathbf{3}, A_5)} = \mathcal{I}_2 \mathcal{I}_4^2 + 38 \mathcal{I}_3^2 \mathcal{I}_4 - \frac{7}{11} \mathcal{I}_2^3 \mathcal{I}_4 - \frac{128}{11\sqrt{5}} \mathcal{I}_2^2 \mathcal{I}_6 + \frac{6}{\sqrt{5}} \mathcal{I}_4 \mathcal{I}_6$$

where $(\mathcal{I}_2, \mathcal{I}_3, \mathcal{I}_4, \mathcal{I}_6)$ are the invariants of A_4



The Triplet of A_5 Potential

- ❖ The most general potential of the dGB's:

$$V_{\text{dGB}} = f^2 \Lambda^2 \left[\hat{c}_6 \frac{\mathcal{I}_6}{f^6} + \hat{c}_{10} \frac{\mathcal{I}_{10}}{f^{10}} + \hat{c}_{12} \frac{\mathcal{I}_6^2}{f^{12}} + \hat{c}_{15} \frac{\mathcal{I}_{15}}{f^{15}} + \dots \right]$$

- ❖ Note that the A_5 symmetry forbids $\hat{c}_n$ for $n < 6$

➡ All terms in the potential come from higher dimensional operators

➡ This leads to an enhanced suppression for m_π :

$$m_\pi^2 \sim \hat{c}_6 f^2$$

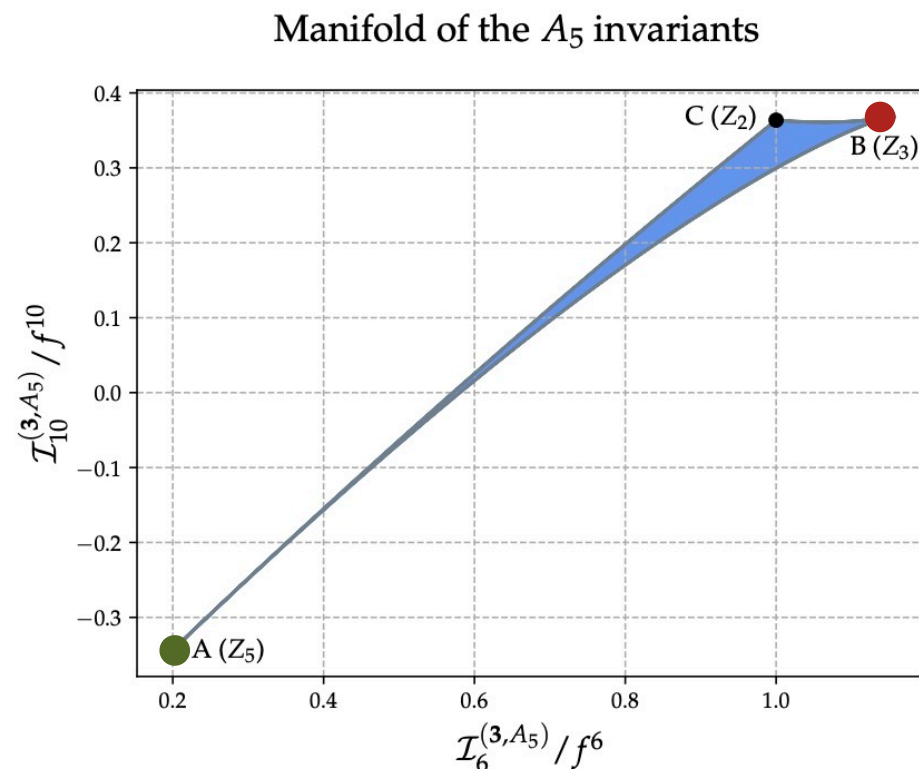
More suppressed

Still tied to f

$$\hat{c}_n \sim y^n \left(\frac{f}{M} \right)^{n-4}$$

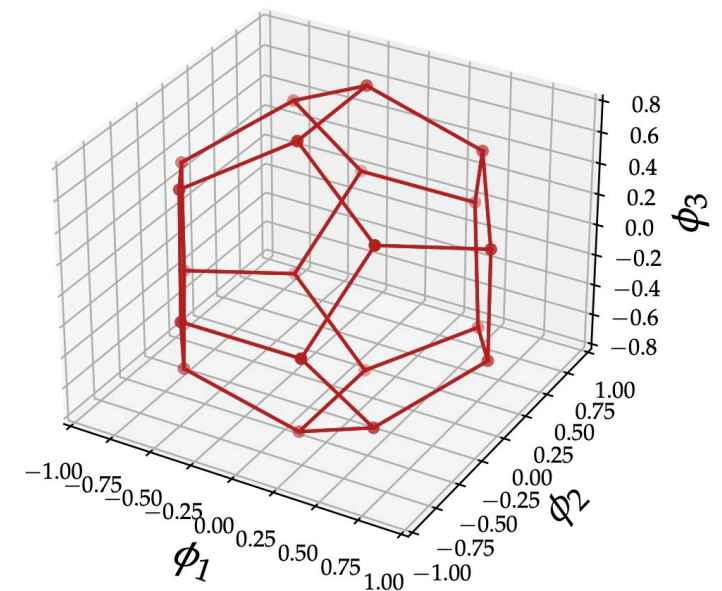
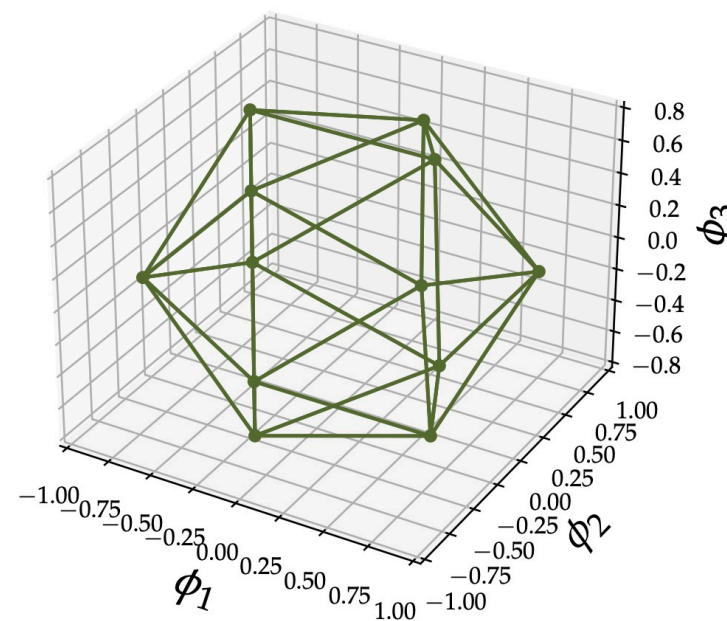
Natural Minima of the Triplet of A_5

- ❖ The manifold spanned by $\mathcal{I}_6$ and $\mathcal{I}_{10}$ is again bounded, yielding a set of maximally natural minima



Z_5 invariant points (A)

Z_3 invariant points (B)

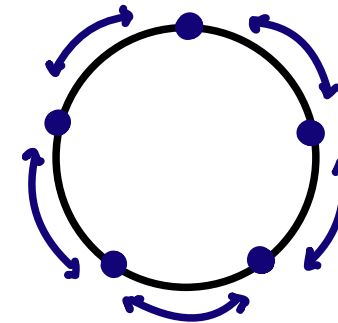


(Point C is a saddlepoint)

Phenomenology of $A_5 \rightarrow Z_5$



$$A_5 \rightarrow Z_5$$



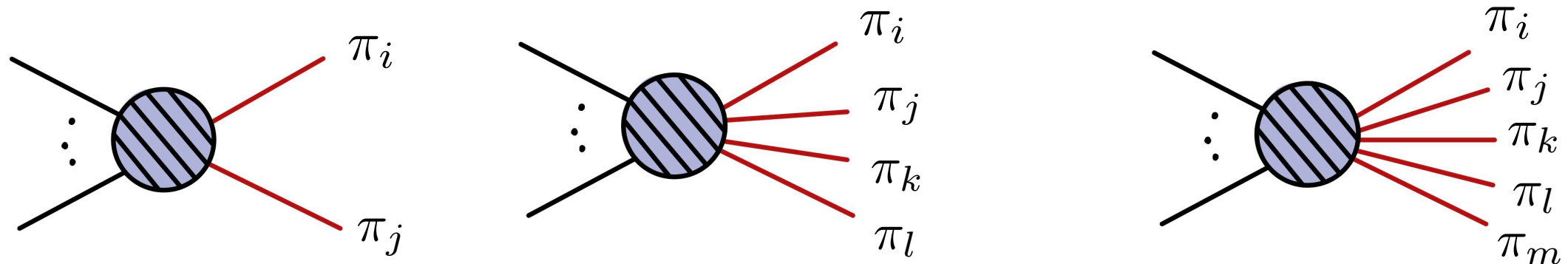
- ❖ Two degenerate dGB, guaranteed by the preserved Z_5 symmetry: $m_{\pi_1}^2 = m_{\pi_2}^2$
- ❖ Assume the $\mathcal{I}_6$ operator is the leading term: $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} \propto \frac{1}{M^m} \mathcal{O}^{\text{SM}} \mathcal{I}_6^{(\mathbf{3}, A_5)} + \dots$
- ❖ If the SM production process is uncharged under the discrete group:

$$\mathcal{I}_6^{(\mathbf{3}, A_5)} = \frac{32}{5} f^4 \left[\underbrace{\frac{f^2}{32} + \pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2}_{\text{2-dGB production}} - \underbrace{\frac{31}{12 f^2} (\pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2)^2}_{\text{4-dGB production}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{4 f^3} (\pi_1^5 - 10 \pi_1^3 \pi_2^2 + 5 \pi_1 \pi_2^4)}_{\text{5-dGB production}} \right]$$

Phenomenology of $A_5 \rightarrow Z_5$

- Because these interactions all stem from the same operator, there is a consistent pattern of production cross sections

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} \propto \frac{1}{M^m} \mathcal{O}^{\text{SM}} \mathcal{I}_6^{(\mathbf{3}, A_5)}$$



$$\frac{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 4\pi)}{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 5\pi)} = \frac{19(31)^2 f^2}{3(45)^2} \frac{\Pi_4}{\Pi_5} = \frac{19(31)^2 (8\pi)^2}{45^2} \frac{f^2}{E_{\text{CM}}^2}$$

$$\frac{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 2\pi)}{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 4\pi)} = \frac{18f^4}{19(31)^2} \frac{\Pi_2}{\Pi_4} = \frac{216(4\pi)^4}{19(31)^2} \frac{f^4}{E_{\text{CM}}^4}$$

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A_4 vs. A_5

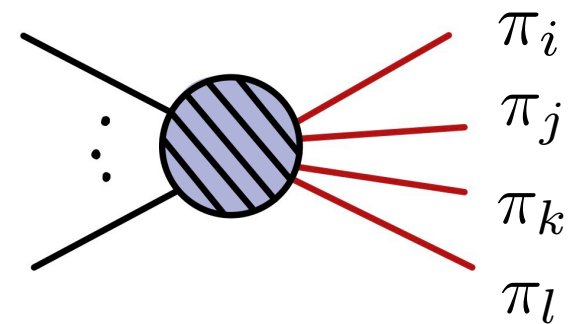
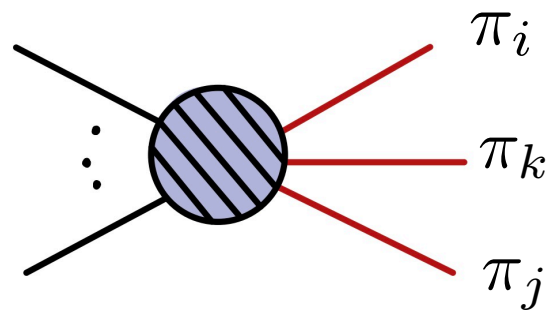
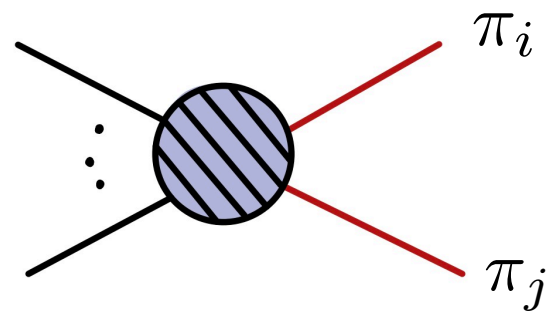
- Both dGB's are protected at LO from quadratic divergences, but A_5 shows an even more enhanced mass suppression

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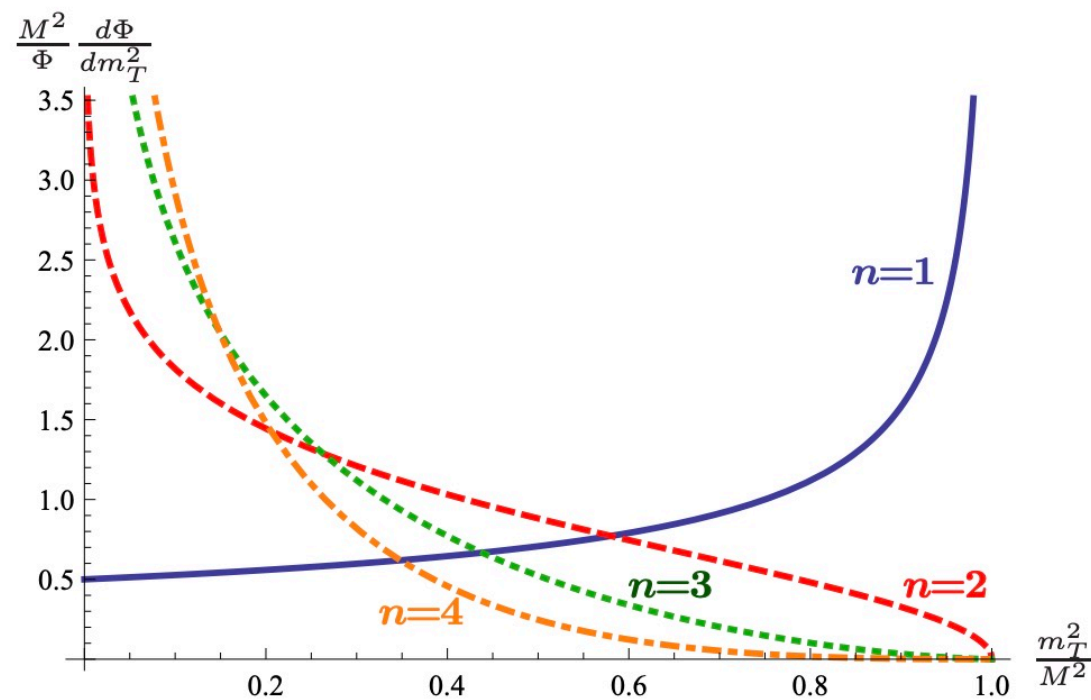
- Both dGB's predict a pattern of invisible particle production:

$$A_4 : \quad \frac{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 2\pi)}{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 4\pi)} = \frac{72f^4}{19(17)^2} \frac{\Pi_2}{\Pi_4} \qquad A_5 : \quad \frac{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 2\pi)}{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 4\pi)} = \frac{18f^4}{19(31)^2} \frac{\Pi_2}{\Pi_4}$$

Counting Invisibles



Counting Invisible Particles in a Collider

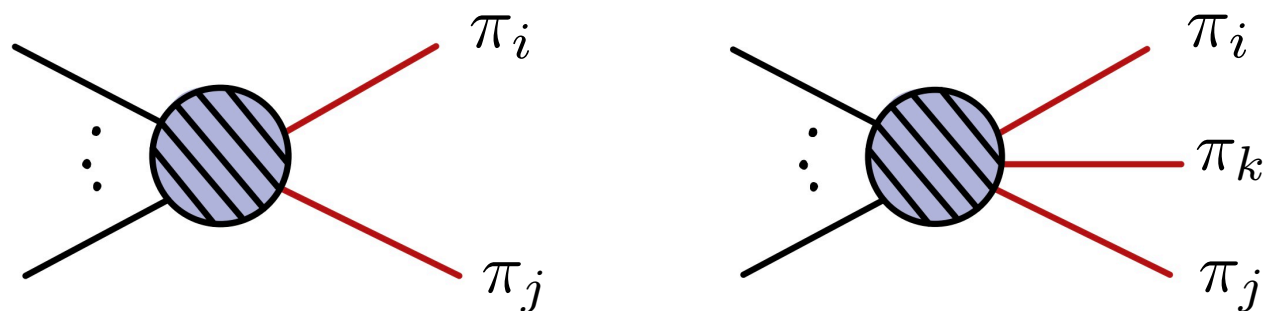


Plot lifted from Giudice, Gripaios, Mahbubani, arXiv:1108.1800

- ❖ In a collider, we can disentangle multi-particle production via tails of kinematic variables similar to

$$m_T^2 = m_V^2 + 2 \left(\sqrt{\not{p}_T^2 (p_T^2 + m_V^2)} - \not{p}_T \cdot p_T \right)$$

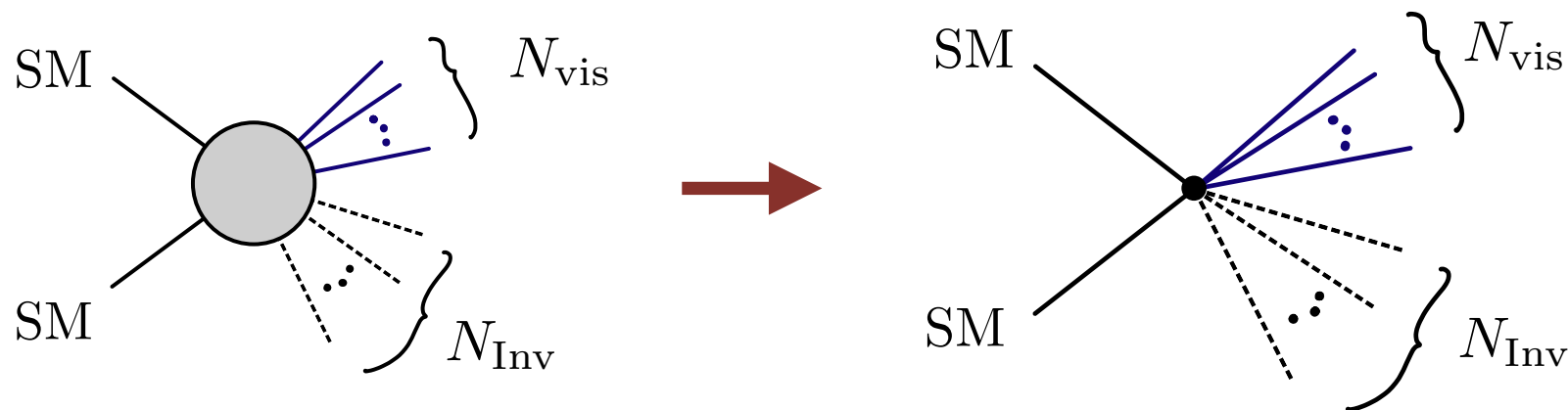
- ❖ Naively, this means we can detect these individual processes and measure their production rates



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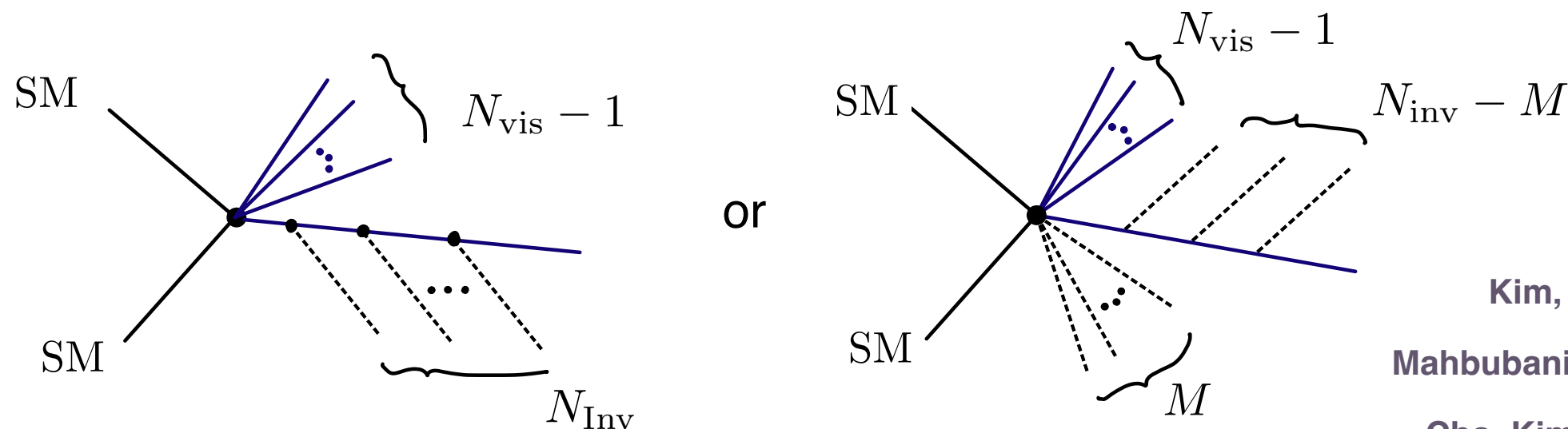
Counting Invisible Particles in a Collider

- ❖ These distributions were based on the assumption of single vertex production of both visible and invisibles



Giudice, Gripaios, Mahbubani, (2011)

- ❖ More complicated topologies may be present



Kim, Matchev, Park (2015)
Mahbubani, Matchev, Park (2012)
Cho, Kim, Matchev, Park (2012)

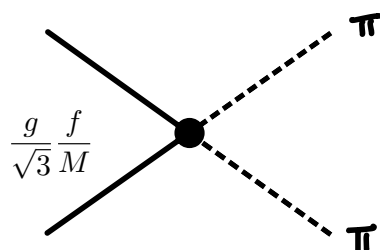
Counting Invisibles

- ❖ The smoking gun signal for the A_4 symmetry

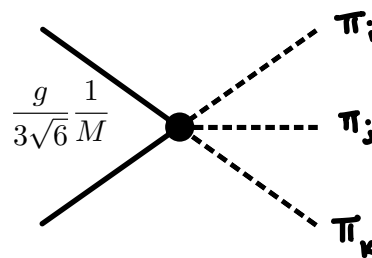
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} \propto \frac{1}{M^m} \mathcal{O}^{\text{SM}} \mathcal{I}_3 \quad (\text{Assuming } M \gg f, \text{ this operator dominates})$$

$$I_3 = \frac{f}{\sqrt{3}} \left[\underbrace{\pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2}_{\text{2-dGB production}} - \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}f} \underbrace{(\pi_1^3 - 3\pi_1\pi_2^2)}_{\text{3-dGB production}} - \frac{17}{24f^2} \underbrace{(\pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2)^2}_{\text{4-dGB production}} \right] + \dots$$

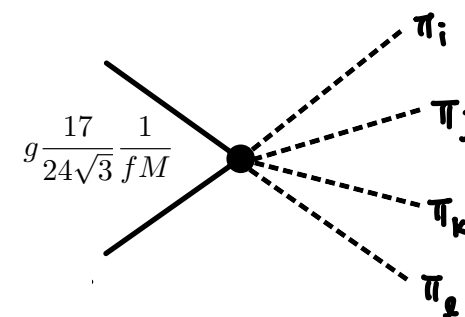
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3-dGB production



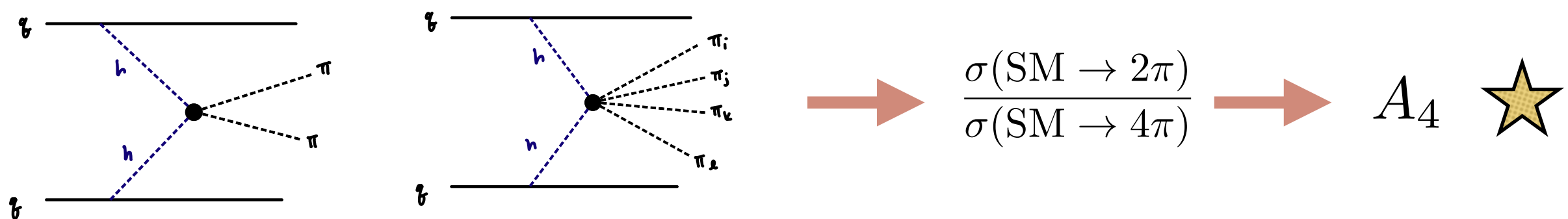
4-dGB production



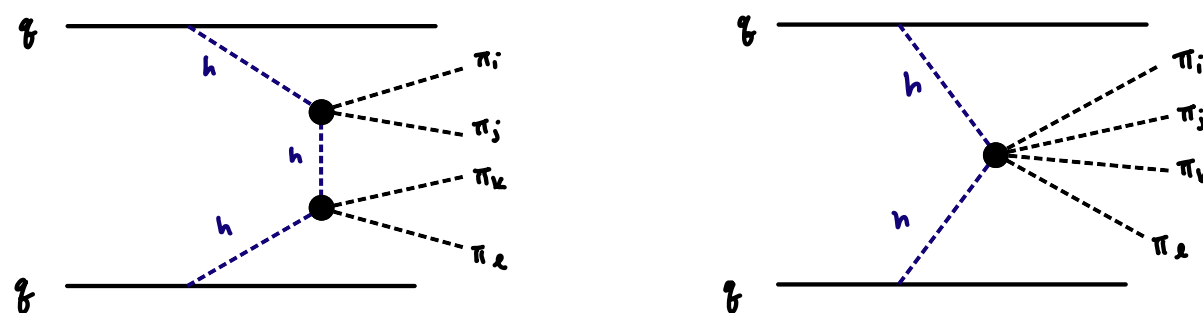
- ❖ The symmetry informs the couplings of these vertices, not necessarily how many dGB's are in the final state for the full process

Counting Invisibles: an Example

- ❖ One possible production mechanism:



- ❖ Can this reliably be extracted when we also have the following?

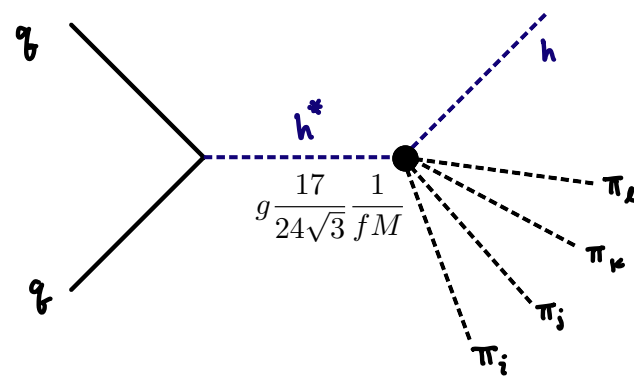


Both have four dGB's in the final state!

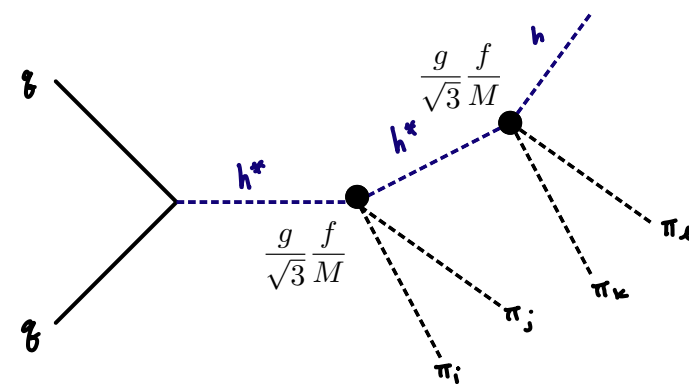
- ❖ To access the UV discrete symmetry, we want to distinguish **vertices**

Ambiguity for Invisible Production

- ❖ Compare the following:



$$\sim g \frac{1}{f M m_h^2}$$



$$\sim g^2 \frac{f^2}{M^2 m_h^4}$$

These rough estimates for the amplitudes are comparable when, for example:

$$f \sim \text{TeV}$$

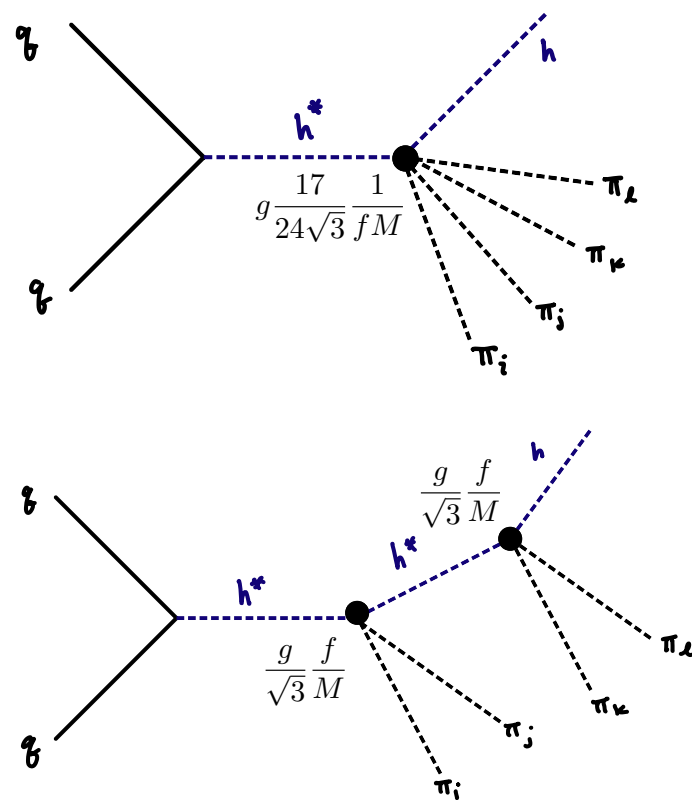
$$M \sim 10 \text{ TeV}$$

$$g \sim 0.1$$

- ❖ For just one visible particle in the final state, these two processes are distinguishable just from studying the MET distributions

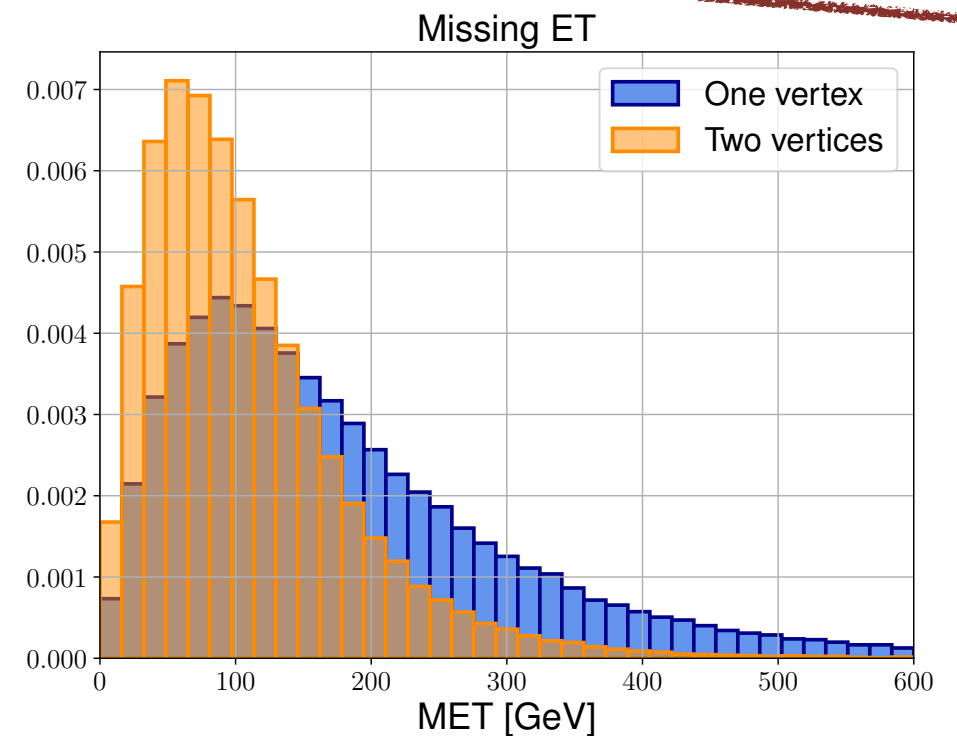
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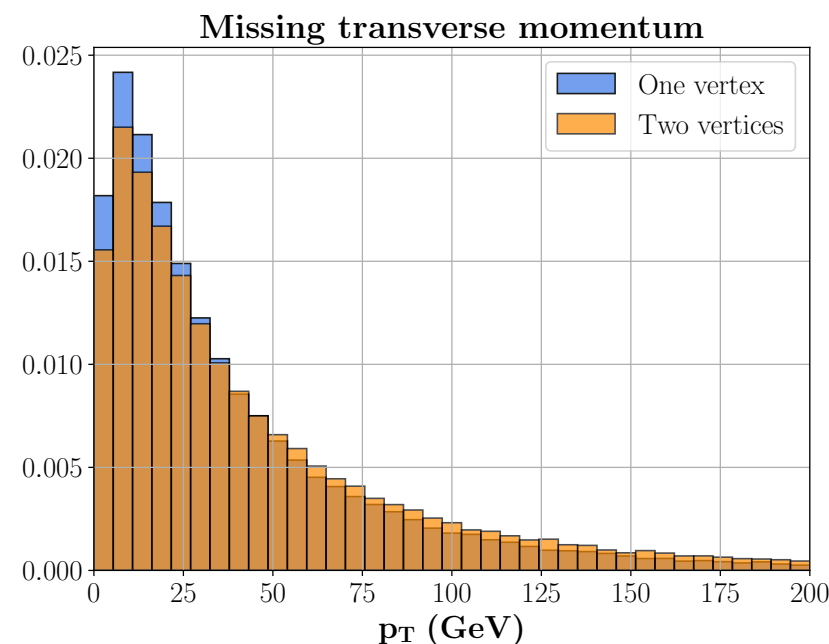
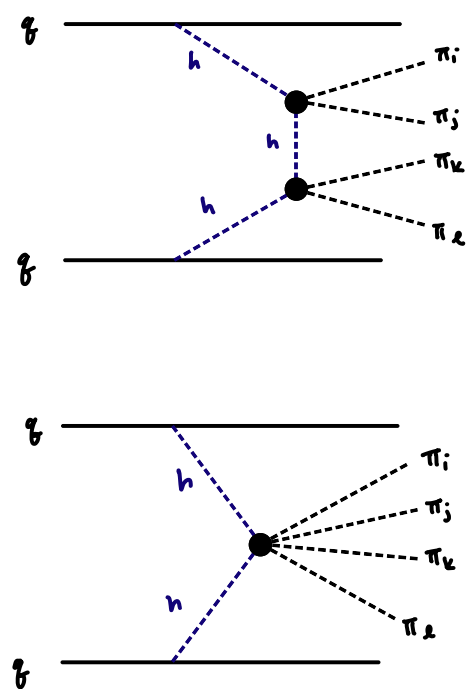


Preliminary

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Ambiguity for Invisible Production

- ❖ When there are >1 visible particles in the final state, this becomes more difficult



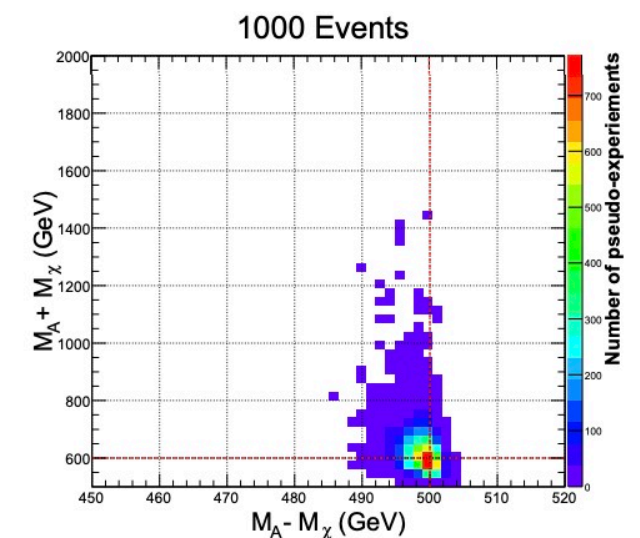
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Indistinguishable

- ❖ Currently looking at p_T distributions for individual particles in order to obtain a 2D scatter distribution

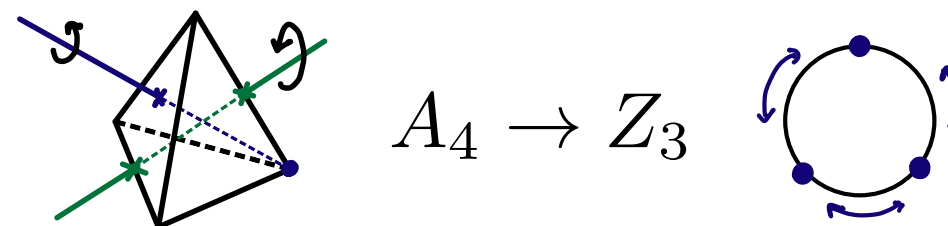
➡ An ideal classification problem for a NN



Plot lifted from Cho, Kim, Matchev, Park, arXiv:1206.1546

Conclusion

- ❖ Nonlinearly realized discrete symmetries produce **discrete Goldstone bosons**



- ❖ dGBs have enhanced protection from quadratic divergences

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$$\sim y^4 f^2 \log \left(\frac{m_\psi}{\mu} \right)$$

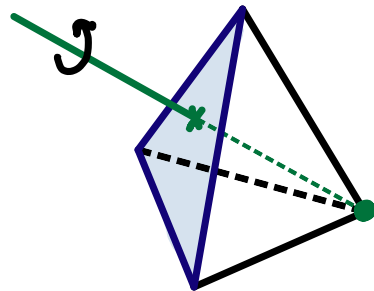
- ❖ Wrote down an EFT of dGBs and classified its general features
 - ❖ Degenerate dGBs reflecting preserved low energy symmetries
 - ❖ Multi-particle invisible production
 - ❖ Cross section ratios give access to nonlinearly realized symmetry
(if we can count invisibles...)

Thank you!

Back-up Slides

More Discrete Groups: A_N , S_N

A_4 Tetrahedron



Even permutations of:
 (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)

A_5 Icosahedron



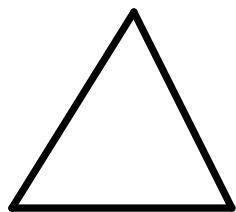
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Higher A_N

... Even permutations
of N objects:

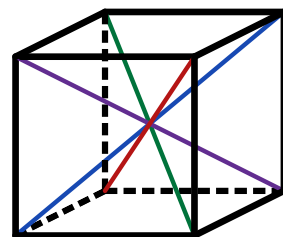
$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)$

S_3 Triangle

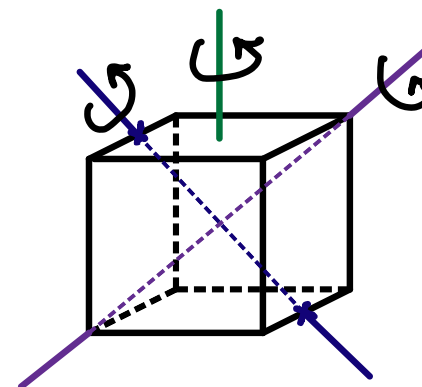


All permutations of:
 (x_1, x_2, x_3)

S_4 Cube



All permutations of:
 (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)



... All permutations of N
objects:

$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)$

Higher S_N

Higher Non-Abelian Discrete Symmetry Examples



The Quadruplet of A_5



- ❖ Irreducible representations of A_5 : 1 3 3' **4** 5

$$\Phi = (\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3, \phi_4)$$

Even permutations of:

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$$

- ❖ This case will have a non-Abelian preserved symmetry

- ❖ The primary invariants of the quadruplet of A_5 :

$$\mathcal{I}_2^{(4, A_5)} = \mathcal{I}_2 + \phi_4^2$$

$$\mathcal{I}_3^{(4, A_5)} = \mathcal{I}_3 - \frac{\phi_4}{2\sqrt{5}}\mathcal{I}_2 + \frac{\phi_4^3}{2\sqrt{5}}$$

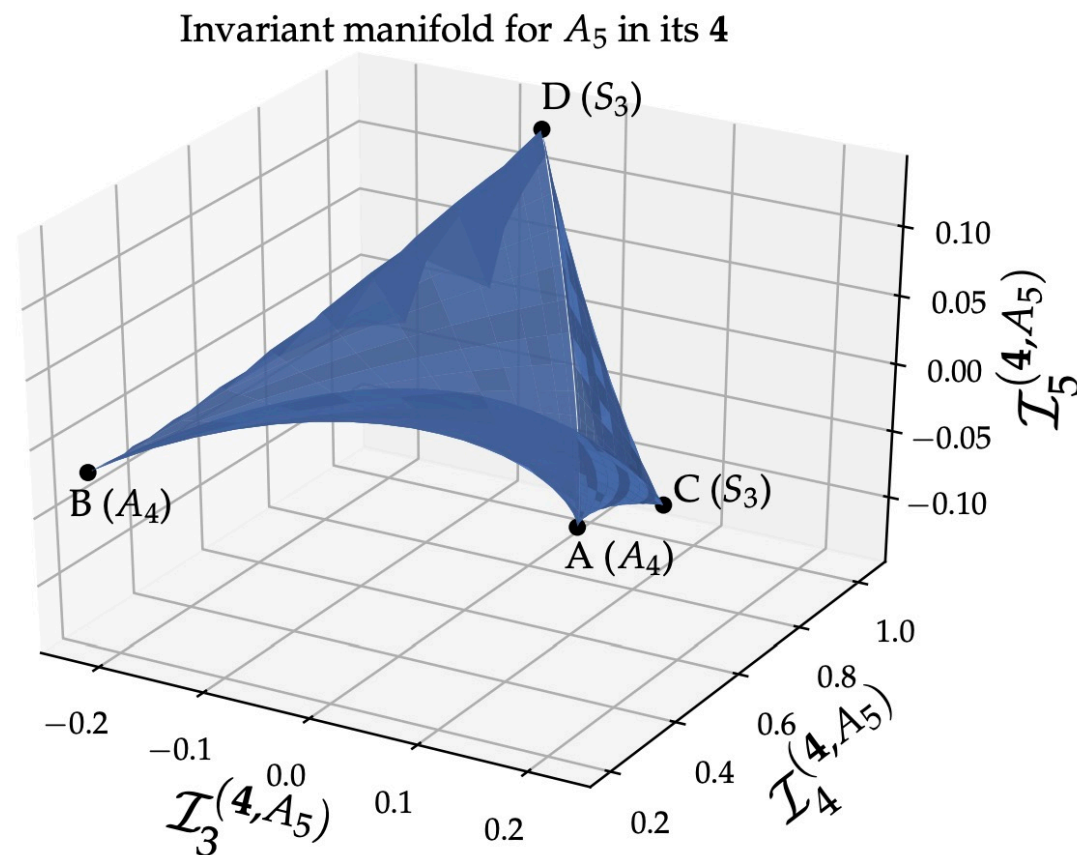
$$\mathcal{I}_4^{(4, A_5)} = \mathcal{I}_4 + \frac{12}{\sqrt{5}}\mathcal{I}_3\phi_4 + \frac{12}{5}\mathcal{I}_2\phi_4^2 + \frac{\phi_4^4}{5}$$

$$\mathcal{I}_5^{(4, A_5)} = \mathcal{I}_4\phi_4 - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{I}_2\phi_4 - \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}\mathcal{I}_3\phi_4^2 - \frac{\phi_4^3}{5}\mathcal{I}_2 + \frac{\mathcal{I}_4^5}{50}$$

where $(\mathcal{I}_2, \mathcal{I}_3, \mathcal{I}_4)$
are the primary
invariants of A_4

Natural Minima for the Quadruplet of A_5

- ❖ The manifold is spanned by $\mathcal{I}_{3,4,5}$
- ❖ The maximally natural extrema now have non-Abelian symmetries remaining in the low energy spectrum



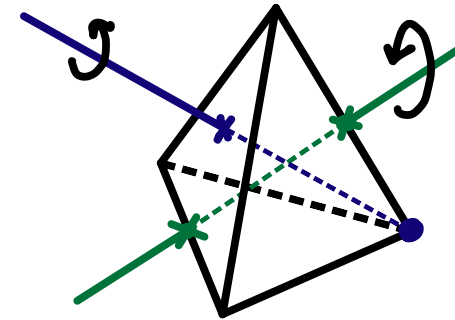
Natural singular points for a quadruplet of A_5

Point	$\mathcal{I}_3$	$\mathcal{I}_4$	$\mathcal{I}_5$	ϕ_1	ϕ_2	ϕ_3	ϕ_4	Little group	Nature
				<i>(Representatives)</i>					
A	$\frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{1}{50}$	0	0	0	1	A_4	Minima
B	$-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	$-\frac{1}{50}$	$-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$	$-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$	$-\frac{\sqrt{5}}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$		
C	$\frac{1}{3\sqrt{30}}$	$\frac{31}{30}$	$-\frac{4}{25}\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{5}{24}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{5}{24}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{5}{24}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{3}{8}}$	S_3	Saddles
D	$-\frac{1}{3\sqrt{30}}$	$\frac{31}{30}$	$\frac{4}{25}\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$	$-\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}}$	0	0	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$		

Phenomenology of $A_5 \rightarrow A_4$



$$A_5 \rightarrow A_4$$



- ❖ Three degenerate dGBs, guaranteed by the preserved A_4 symmetry:
- ❖ Assume the $\mathcal{I}_3$ operator is the leading term:
- ❖ If the SM production process is uncharged under the discrete group:

$$m_{\pi_1} = m_{\pi_2} = m_{\pi_3}$$

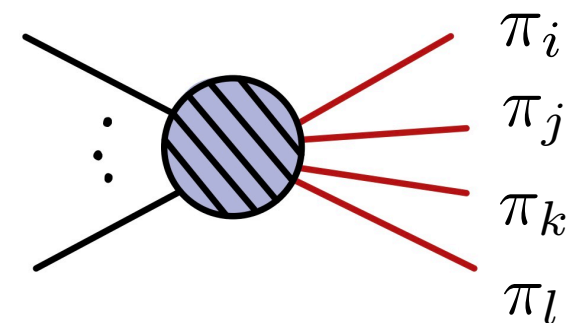
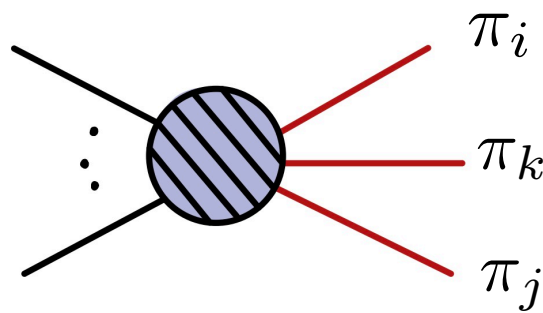
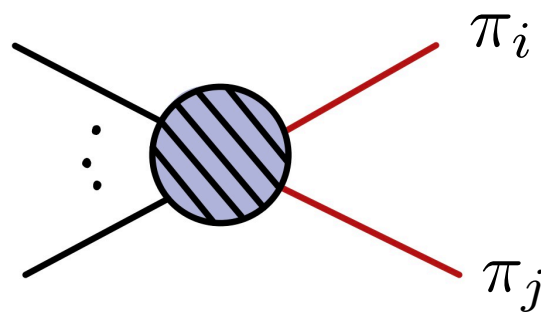
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} \propto \frac{1}{M^m} \mathcal{O}^{\text{SM}} \mathcal{I}_3$$

$$\mathcal{I}_3^{(4, A_5)} = \frac{\sqrt{5}f}{4} \left[\underbrace{-\frac{2f^2}{5} + (\pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2 + \pi_3^2)}_{\text{2-dGB production}} - \underbrace{\frac{4}{\sqrt{5}f} \pi_1 \pi_2 \pi_3}_{\text{3-dGB production}} - \underbrace{\frac{41}{60f^2} (\pi_1^2 + \pi_2^2 + \pi_3^2)^2}_{\text{4-dGB production}} \right]$$

Phenomenology of $A_5 \rightarrow A_4$

- Because these interactions all stem from the same operator, there is a consistent pattern of production cross sections

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} \propto \frac{1}{M^m} \mathcal{O}^{\text{SM}} \mathcal{I}_3^{(4, A_5)}$$



$$\frac{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 3\pi)}{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 4\pi)} = \frac{6f^2}{(41)^2} \frac{\Pi_3}{\Pi_4} = \left(\frac{24\pi}{41}\right)^2 \frac{f^2}{E_{\text{CM}}^2}$$

$$\frac{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 2\pi)}{\sigma(\text{SM} \rightarrow 3\pi)} = \frac{15f^2}{4} \frac{\Pi_2}{\Pi_3} = 120\pi^2 \frac{f^2}{E_{\text{CM}}^2}$$

- This cross section information tells us about the A_5 symmetry, not just the preserved A_4