

Exercises to “Standard Model of Particle Physics II”

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Problem 1: *Left-right symmetric electroweak model* [20 Points]

The left-right symmetric model can be introduced by assuming right-handed fermion doublets in analogy to the left-handed ones. The quark and lepton spectra consist of

$$Q_{L,R}^i = \begin{pmatrix} U_{L,R}^i \\ D_{L,R}^i \end{pmatrix} \qquad L_{L,R}^i = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_{L,R}^i \\ e_{L,R}^i \end{pmatrix}, \quad (1)$$

with the following $SU(2)_L$, $SU(2)_R$, and $U(1)_{B-L}$ transformation properties.

$$Q_L : (2_L, 1_R, 1/3) \qquad Q_R : (1_L, 2_R, 1/3) \quad (2)$$

$$L_L : (2_L, 1_R, -1) \qquad L_R : (1_L, 2_R, -1) \quad (3)$$

The Higgs sector contains a bi-doublet ϕ and two triplets Δ_L and Δ_R with the following transformation properties.

$$\phi : (2_L, 2_R, 0) \qquad \Delta_L : (3_L, 1_R, 2) \qquad \Delta_R : (1_L, 3_R, 2) \quad (4)$$

These scalars may be expressed in terms of the 2×2 matrices

$$\phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^0 & \phi_2^+ \\ \phi_1^- & \phi_2^0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \Delta_{L,R} = \begin{pmatrix} \Delta^+/\sqrt{2} & \Delta^{++} \\ \Delta^0 & -\Delta^+/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5)$$

- Why does this model not work with only the bi-doublet?
- Construct the Lagrange density for the fermion-Higgs interactions $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}}$ (including all possible gauge singlets).
- Use the assumption that the vacuum is electrically neutral after spontaneous symmetry breaking to derive the fermion mass terms in the broken phase.
- Let us now modify the symmetry-breaking part of the model but leave the quark and lepton sector unchanged. In the Higgs sector we still have the bi-doublet ϕ , but instead of the triplets we introduce two scalar doublets $A_{L,R}$ and a fermionic (Grassmann-valued) singlet χ with the following transformation properties under $SU(2)_L$, $SU(2)_R$, and $U(1)_{B-L}$.

$$A_L : (2_L, 1_R, 1) \qquad A_R : (1_L, 2_R, 1); \qquad \chi : (1_L, 1_R, 0) \quad (6)$$

Left-right symmetry then implies the invariance of the Lagrange density under the following transformations (where Ψ denotes any fermion field).

$$\Psi_L \leftrightarrow \Psi_R \qquad A_L \leftrightarrow A_R \qquad \phi \leftrightarrow \phi^\dagger \quad (7)$$

Construct the Lagrange density $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}}$ for the fermion masses in this model (you should again construct singlets under the whole gauge group).