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Anomalous gauge couplings from composite Higgs and warped extra dimensions

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ABSTRACT: We examine trilinear and quartic anomalous gauge couplings (AGCs) generated in composite Higgs models and models with warped extra dimensions. We first revisit the $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ effective Lagrangian and derive the charged and two-photon neutral AGCs. We derive the general perturbative contributions to the pure field-strength operators from spin 0, $\frac{1}{2}$, 1 resonances by means of the heat kernel method. In the composite Higgs framework, we derive the pattern of expected deviations from typical $SO(N)$ embeddings of the light composite top partner. We then study a generic warped extra dimension framework with AdS_5 background, recasting in few parameters the features of models relevant for AGCs. We also present a detailed study of the latest bounds from electroweak and Higgs precision observables, with and without brane kinetic terms. For vanishing brane kinetic terms, we find that the S and T parameters exclude KK gauge modes of the RS custodial [non-custodial] scenario below 7.7 [14.7] TeV, for a brane Higgs and below 6.6 [8.1] TeV for a Pseudo Nambu-Goldstone Higgs, at 95% CL. These constraints can be relaxed in presence of brane kinetic terms. The leading AGCs are probing the KK gravitons and the KK modes of bulk gauge fields in parts of the parameter space. In these scenarios, the future CMS and ATLAS forward proton detectors could be sensitive to the effect of KK gravitons in the multi-TeV mass range.

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1 Introduction

Several major facts like the gauge-hierarchy problem or the observation of dark matter suggest that physics beyond Standard Model of particles (SM) should be present in nature at a mass scale relatively close to the electroweak scale. However, in spite of naturalness arguments, the paradigm of a TeV-scale new physics is challenged by both direct LHC searches and by indirect observables like the LEP electroweak precision tests. In a scenario of new physics out of reach from direct observation at the LHC, one may expect that the first manifestations show up in precision measurements of the SM properties.

Such precision tests are already well advanced in the electroweak and flavour sectors of the SM. After the discovery of a new Higgs-like scalar at the LHC, deviations of the Higgs sector from its SM predictions are also starting to be scrutinized. However, during the LHC

era, yet another sector of the SM can be tested to high precision, the one of pure gauge interactions. This is a domain relevant for the CMS and ATLAS main detectors, and also for the future CMS and ATLAS forward proton (FP) detectors [1–3] whose construction may start in 2014.

Just like the couplings of other sectors of the SM, anomalous gauge couplings can be systematically analyzed through the effective Lagrangian framework. This approach relies on the assumption that the energy scale E accessible by the experiment is small with respect to the new physics mass scale Λ ,

$$E \ll \Lambda. \tag{1.1}$$

This fundamental assumption allows one to describe any manifestation of new physics by local operators of higher dimension. The low-energy effective Lagrangian is written as the SM Lagrangian plus an infinite sum of these higher dimensional operators (HDOs),

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{\alpha_i}{\Lambda^{m_i}} \mathcal{O}_i. \tag{1.2}$$

For a given set of observables of interest (in our case, the anomalous gauge couplings), it is then sufficient to keep only the operators at the appropriate first orders of the expansion. By construction these operators capture the leading effects induced by the heavy new physics.

In the present study, the observables of interest are the trilinear gauge couplings and quartic gauge couplings (TGCs, QGCs). As the FP detectors provide particularly good sensitivity to the process of diffractive photon fusion, we are going to limit our study to two photon QGCs. In order to describe the effects of new physics on TGCs and QGCs, it turns out that we have to keep dimension 6 operators for charged anomalous gauge couplings (CGCs) and dimension 8 operators for neutral anomalous gauge couplings (NGCs). Higher order effects in the observables will be of order $O(E^2/\Lambda^2, v^2/\Lambda^2)$ where E is the typical energy involved in the process. We will also keep some charged dimension 8 operators relevant for two-photon physics. Anomalous gauge couplings have already been studied from the effective Lagrangian point of view, see e.g. [4, 5], and the recent review [6] and references therein.

In this paper we aim at going one step further, by mapping actual models of new physics onto the effective Lagrangian. In particular we investigate the effects of composite Higgs and of warped extra dimensions. Although we consider actual theories of new physics, we adopt an effective parametrization of the theories in order that our predictions cover the broadest range of possibilities and facilitate comparison with other approaches.

The content of this paper is as follows. In section 2 we lay out the dimension 8 effective Lagrangian relevant for TGCs and QGCs in a basis appropriate to distinguish between loop-generated and potentially tree-level generated operators. In section 3 we derive the anomalous gauge couplings, which are directly probed by experiments. We distinguish two energy regimes, $E < v$ and $v < E < \Lambda$, in which different set of HDOs become dominant in the experiments. In section 4 we derive the generic perturbative contributions from any heavy state to the set of HDOs dominating in the $v < E < \Lambda$ regime by means of the heat kernel method. The final formulas are straightforwardly applicable to any new

physics model. In section 5 we discuss and evaluate the effects of composite resonances in composite Higgs models. In section 6 we study warped extra dimensions, including the case of brane gauge field (sometimes referred to as RS I) and the Randall-Sundrum model with bulk gauge fields, as well as the composite Higgs models via holography. Section 7 contains an update on the bounds from Higgs and electroweak precision tests on KK gauge modes and radion masses. In section 8 we present and discuss the anomalous couplings predicted in the warped AdS_5 framework, including the effect of the radion/dilaton and of the KK gravitons. Section 9 is devoted to our conclusions.

2 The effective Lagrangian

First we define the set of higher dimensional operators entering the effective Lagrangian eq. (1.2).¹ The complete Lagrangian describing anomalous gauge couplings in the broken phase, needed for phenomenology and experimental studies, will be derived in the next section. Throughout this paper we use the conventions of [8], including the mostly minus metric signature $(+, -, -, -)$. We limit the expansion of \mathcal{L}_{eff} to order 8, such that

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \mathcal{L}_{(6)} + \mathcal{L}_{(8)}. \quad (2.1)$$

The $\mathcal{L}_{(6)}$ piece induces the leading deviations to TGCs, while the $\mathcal{L}_{(8)}$ generates anomalous quartic NGCs.

The HDOs at a given order can be brought into an irreducible set, i.e. a basis, using the equivalence relations provided by integration by parts and equations of motion. There is a freedom in the choice of the particular basis.² Here our dimension six basis is defined in such a way that (in renormalizable theories) the operators \mathcal{O}_{FF} , \mathcal{O}_{W^3} are only generated perturbatively at the loop level while the other ones can potentially be generated at tree-level. This particularly convenient basis has been already used in [9], is discussed more formally in [10], and is consistent with the general basis presented in [11]. We display below only the operators which will feed into anomalous gauge couplings, or will be closely related to their study. In particular, dipole operators and Yukawa-like dimension six operators are not shown.

The dimension six Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}^{(6)}$ contains the operators³

$$\mathcal{O}_{D^2} = |H|^2 |D_\mu H|^2, \quad \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} = |H^\dagger D_\mu H|^2, \quad (2.2)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_D = J_{H\mu}^a J_{f\mu}^a, \quad \mathcal{O}'_D = J_{H\mu}^Y J_{f\mu}^Y, \quad (2.3)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{4f} = J_{f\mu}^a J_{f\mu}^a, \quad \mathcal{O}'_{4f} = J_{f\mu}^Y J_{f\mu}^Y, \quad (2.4)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{WW} = H^\dagger H (W_{\mu\nu}^a)^2, \quad \mathcal{O}_{BB} = H^\dagger H (B_{\mu\nu})^2, \quad \mathcal{O}_{WB} = H^\dagger W_{\mu\nu} H B_{\mu\nu}, \quad (2.5)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{W^3} = \varepsilon^{IJK} W_{\mu\nu}^I W_{\nu\rho}^J W_{\rho\mu}^K. \quad (2.6)$$

¹It is sufficient to use the linearly realized $SU(2) \times U(1)$ Lagrangian, as the nonlinear realization tends to the linear one in the limit $v \ll \Lambda$. See e.g. [7] for more details about anomalous gauge couplings in the nonlinear realization.

²Note that although the effects on the physical observables from different basis must be the same, they can appear in a rather different way. For example, a modification of the W propagator in a given basis may be recasted in a shift of the Fermi constant in another basis.

³The four fermion operators \mathcal{O}_{4f} and \mathcal{O}'_{4f} do not appear in the basis of ref. [9], as they can be eliminated in favor of the two operators $(\partial_\rho B_{\mu\nu})^2$ and $(D_\rho W_{\mu\nu}^a)^2$, which played no role in the analysis of that paper.

The SM currents are defined as

$$J_f^{a\mu} = \sum_{\psi_L} \frac{1}{2} \bar{\psi}_L \gamma^\mu \frac{\sigma^a}{2} \psi_L \quad J_f^{Y\mu} = \sum_{\psi} Y_\psi \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi \quad (2.7)$$

and

$$J_H^{a\mu} = \frac{i}{2} H^\dagger \sigma^a \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H, \quad J_H^{Y\mu} = \frac{i}{2} H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}^\mu H \quad (2.8)$$

where Y_ψ is denotes the hypercharge.

The dimension eight Lagrangian relevant for neutral gauge couplings is [5]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{(8)} = & \frac{\alpha_1}{\Lambda^4} D^\mu H^\dagger D_\mu H D^\nu H^\dagger D_\nu H + \frac{\alpha_2}{\Lambda^4} D^\mu H^\dagger D_\nu H D^\nu H^\dagger D_\mu H \\ & + \frac{\alpha_3}{\Lambda^4} D^\rho H^\dagger D_\rho H B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{\alpha_4}{\Lambda^4} D^\rho H^\dagger D_\rho H W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu} + \frac{\alpha_5}{\Lambda^4} D^\rho H^\dagger \sigma^I D_\rho H B_{\mu\nu} W^{I\mu\nu} \\ & + \frac{\alpha_6}{\Lambda^4} D^\nu H^\dagger D_\rho H B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\rho} + \frac{\alpha_7}{\Lambda^4} D^\nu H^\dagger D_\rho H W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\rho} \\ & + \frac{\alpha_8}{\Lambda^4} B^{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu} B^{\rho\sigma} B_{\rho\sigma} + \frac{\alpha_9}{\Lambda^4} W^{I\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{J\rho\sigma} W_{\rho\sigma}^J + \frac{\alpha_{10}}{\Lambda^4} W^{I\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^J W^{I\rho\sigma} W_{\rho\sigma}^J \\ & + \frac{\alpha_{11}}{\Lambda^4} B^{\mu\nu} B_{\mu\nu} W^{I\rho\sigma} W_{\rho\sigma}^I + \frac{\alpha_{12}}{\Lambda^4} B^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\rho\sigma} W_{\rho\sigma}^I \\ & + \frac{\alpha_{13}}{\Lambda^4} B^{\mu\nu} B_{\nu\rho} B^{\rho\sigma} B_{\sigma\mu} + \frac{\alpha_{14}}{\Lambda^4} W^{I\mu\nu} W_{\nu\rho}^I W^{J\rho\sigma} W_{\sigma\mu}^J + \frac{\alpha_{15}}{\Lambda^4} W^{I\mu\nu} W_{\nu\rho}^J W^{I\rho\sigma} W_{\sigma\mu}^J \\ & + \frac{\alpha_{16}}{\Lambda^4} B^{\mu\nu} B_{\nu\rho} W^{I\rho\sigma} W_{\sigma\mu}^I + \frac{\alpha_{17}}{\Lambda^4} B^{\mu\nu} W_{\nu\rho}^I B^{\rho\sigma} W_{\sigma\mu}^I. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

We limit ourselves to two-photon QGCs, such that by gauge invariance the operators $\mathcal{O}_{1,2}$ cannot contribute.

3 Anomalous gauge couplings in the broken phase

In this section we revisit and expand the anomalous Lagrangian in the broken phase, i.e. expressed in terms of $F_{\mu\nu}$, Z_μ , W_μ^\pm , containing all leading contributions to anomalous TGCs and QGCs. One can distinguish two types of deviations, those correcting couplings already existing in the SM at tree-level, denoted by coefficients κ , and those corresponding to new Lorentz structures, denoted by coefficients λ , η , ζ . The Standard Model corresponds to taking $\kappa_i \rightarrow 0$, $\lambda_i \rightarrow 0$, $\eta_i \rightarrow 0$, $\zeta_i \rightarrow 0$.

We organize the Lagrangian as

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}. \quad (3.1)$$

The first term \mathcal{L}_{kin} contains the kinetic terms and no anomalous interactions. We write it only to set up the conventions. The second term \mathcal{L}_{CGC} contains the charged gauge couplings, including the Standard Model ones. The third term \mathcal{L}_{NGC} contains the neutral gauge couplings, which do not exist in the SM at tree-level. One can further decompose the anomalous Lagrangians as

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}}^{\text{SM},v} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}}^\partial, \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}^v + \mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}^\partial, \quad (3.2)$$

where the index v denotes anomalous couplings generated by HDOs involving the Higgs, and thus proportional to v^2/Λ^2 , while the index ∂ denotes anomalous couplings generated

by pure gauge HDOs, and thus containing higher derivatives like ∂^2/Λ^2 . We can identify two regimes, the “broken phase” regime $E < v$ in which the effect of the \mathcal{L}^∂ Lagrangian in the observables can typically be neglected with respect to the effects of \mathcal{L}^v , and the “unbroken phase” regime $v < E < \Lambda$ where the effects of \mathcal{L}^∂ dominate over the ones of \mathcal{L}^v . In the regime $\Lambda < E$ the effective field theory prescription breaks down and our results do not apply.

The kinetic Lagrangian reads

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} = -\frac{1}{2}\hat{W}_{\mu\nu}^+\hat{W}_{\mu\nu}^- - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^2 - \frac{1}{4}Z_{\mu\nu}^2 \quad (3.3)$$

where we defined $U(1)_{em}$ covariant field strength

$$\hat{W}_{\mu\nu}^+ = D_\mu W_\nu^+ - D_\nu W_\mu^+ . \quad (3.4)$$

where here D is only covariant w.r.t. $U(1)_{em}$. The kinetic term $\hat{W}_{\mu\nu}^+\hat{W}_{\mu\nu}^-$ contains all $U(1)_{em}$ interactions between the photon and the W 's which are protected from any deviations. The $\mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}}^{\text{SM},v}$ piece reads⁴

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}}^{\text{SM},v} = & -ie(1 + \kappa_1)F_{\mu\nu}W_\mu^-W_\nu^+ - ig_Z(1 + \kappa_2)Z_{\mu\nu}W_\mu^-W_\nu^+ \\ & - ig_Z(1 + \kappa_3)[\hat{W}_{\mu\nu}^+W_\nu^- - \hat{W}_{\mu\nu}^-W_\nu^+]Z_\mu - g_Z^2(1 + \kappa_4)^2(|W_\mu^+|^2|Z_\nu|^2 - |Z_\mu W_\mu^+|^2) \\ & + \frac{1}{4}g_W^2(1 + \kappa_5)^2(W_\mu^-W_\nu^+ - W_\mu^+W_\nu^-)^2 + \eta_1^W F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}W^{+\rho}W_\rho^- \\ & + \eta_2^W F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\sigma}W^{+\nu}W_\sigma^- , \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

where in terms of the operator coefficients

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_1 &= \frac{\alpha_{WB}}{2t_w^2} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} , \\ \kappa_2 &= -\frac{s_w c_w}{(c_w^2 - s_w^2)} \alpha_{WB} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} - \frac{1}{4(c_w^2 - s_w^2)} [\alpha'_{D^2} + \alpha_D - \alpha_{4f}] \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} , \\ \kappa_3 &= \kappa_4 = -\frac{s_w}{2c_w(c_w^2 - s_w^2)} \alpha_{WB} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} - \frac{1}{4(c_w^2 - s_w^2)} [\alpha'_{D^2} + \alpha_D - \alpha_{4f}] \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} , \\ \kappa_5 &= -\frac{c_w s_w}{2(c_w^2 - s_w^2)} \alpha_{WB} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} - \frac{c_w^2}{4(c_w^2 - s_w^2)} [\alpha'_{D^2} + \alpha_D - \alpha_{4f}] \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \\ \eta_1^W &= \frac{m_W^2}{\Lambda^4} (c_w^2 \alpha_3 + s_w^2 \alpha_4 + c_w s_w \alpha_5) \\ \eta_2^W &= \frac{m_W^2}{\Lambda^4} (c_w^2 \alpha_6 + s_w^2 \alpha_7) . \end{aligned} \quad (3.6)$$

The $\mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}}^\partial$ piece reads

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}}^\partial = & \lambda^Z [ig_Z Z_{\mu\nu}(\hat{W}_{\nu\rho}^- \hat{W}_{\rho\mu}^+ - \hat{W}_{\nu\rho}^+ \hat{W}_{\rho\mu}^-)] + \lambda^\gamma [ieF_{\mu\nu}(\hat{W}_{\nu\rho}^- \hat{W}_{\rho\mu}^+ - \hat{W}_{\nu\rho}^+ \hat{W}_{\rho\mu}^-)] \\ & + \zeta_1^W F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}W^{+\rho\sigma}W_{\rho\sigma}^- + \zeta_2^W F^{\mu\nu}F_{\nu\rho}W^{+\rho\sigma}W_{\sigma\mu}^- \\ & + \zeta_3^W F^{\mu\nu}W_{\mu\nu}^+ F^{\rho\sigma}W_{\rho\sigma}^- + \zeta_4^W F^{\mu\nu}W_{\nu\rho}^+ F^{\rho\sigma}W_{\sigma\mu}^- . \end{aligned}$$

⁴The κ anomalous couplings are related to the customary parametrization of [12] following $\kappa_\gamma = 1 + \kappa_1$, $\kappa_Z = 1 + \kappa_2$, $g_1^Z = 1 + \kappa_3$. The $SU(2) \times U(1)$ gauge invariance implies in general $\kappa_2 = \kappa_3 - \kappa_1 \frac{s_w^2}{c_w^2}$.

One has

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda^Z &= \lambda^\gamma = 3 \frac{\alpha_{W^3}}{g \Lambda^2} \\
\zeta_1^W &= \Lambda^{-4} (4s_w^2 \alpha_9 + 2c_w^2 \alpha_{11}) \\
\zeta_3^W &= \Lambda^{-4} (4s_w^2 \alpha_{10} + 2c_w^2 \alpha_{12}) \\
\zeta_2^W &= \Lambda^{-4} (4s_w^2 \alpha_{14} + 2c_w^2 \alpha_{16}) \\
\zeta_4^W &= \Lambda^{-4} (4s_w^2 \alpha_{15} + 2c_w^2 \alpha_{17}) .
\end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

The $\mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}^v$ piece is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}^v = \eta_1^Z F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} Z_\rho Z_\rho + \eta_2^Z F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\sigma} Z_\nu Z_\sigma \tag{3.8}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
\eta_1^Z &= \frac{m_Z^2}{2 \Lambda^4} (c_w^2 \alpha_3 + s_w^2 \alpha_4 - c_w s_w \alpha_5) \\
\eta_2^Z &= \frac{m_Z^2}{2 \Lambda^4} (c_w^2 \alpha_6 + s_w^2 \alpha_7) .
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

Finally, the $\mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}^\partial$ piece is⁵

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}^\partial &= \zeta_1^\gamma F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma} + \zeta_2^\gamma F^{\mu\nu} F_{\nu\rho} F^{\rho\sigma} F_{\sigma\mu} \\
&\quad + \zeta_1^Z F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma} Z_{\rho\sigma} + \zeta_2^Z F^{\mu\nu} F_{\nu\rho} F^{\rho\sigma} Z_{\sigma\mu} \\
&\quad + \zeta_1^Z F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} Z^{\rho\sigma} Z_{\rho\sigma} + \zeta_2^Z F^{\mu\nu} F_{\nu\rho} Z^{\rho\sigma} Z_{\sigma\mu} \\
&\quad + \zeta_3^Z F^{\mu\nu} Z_{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma} Z_{\rho\sigma} + \zeta_4^Z F^{\mu\nu} Z_{\nu\rho} F^{\rho\sigma} Z_{\sigma\mu} ,
\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
\zeta_1^\gamma &= \Lambda^{-4} (c_w^4 \alpha_8 + s_w^4 (c_9 + \alpha_{10}) + c_w^2 s_w^2 (\alpha_{11} + \alpha_{12})) \\
\zeta_1^Z &= \Lambda^{-4} (-4s_w c_w^3 \alpha_8 + 4s_w^3 c_w (\alpha_9 + \alpha_{10}) + 2c_w s_w (c_w^2 - s_w^2) (\alpha_{11} + \alpha_{12})) \\
\zeta_1^Z &= \Lambda^{-4} (2c_w^2 s_w^2 (\alpha_8 + \alpha_9 + \alpha_{10} - \alpha_{12}) + (c_w^4 + s_w^4) \alpha_{11}) \\
\zeta_3^Z &= \Lambda^{-4} (4c_w^2 s_w^2 (\alpha_8 + \alpha_9 + \alpha_{10} - \alpha_{11}) + (c_w^2 - s_w^2)^2 \alpha_{12}) \\
\zeta_2^\gamma &= \Lambda^{-4} (c_w^4 \alpha_{13} + s_w^4 (\alpha_{14} + \alpha_{15}) + c_w^2 s_w^2 (\alpha_{16} + \alpha_{17})) \\
\zeta_2^Z &= \Lambda^{-4} (-4s_w c_w^3 \alpha_{13} + 4s_w^3 c_w (\alpha_{14} + \alpha_{15}) + 2c_w s_w (c_w^2 - s_w^2) (\alpha_{16} + \alpha_{17})) \\
\zeta_2^Z &= \Lambda^{-4} (4c_w^2 s_w^2 (\alpha_{13} + \alpha_{14} + \alpha_{15} - \alpha_{17}) + (c_w^2 - s_w^2)^2 \alpha_{16}) \\
\zeta_4^Z &= \Lambda^{-4} (2c_w^2 s_w^2 (\alpha_{13} + \alpha_{14} + \alpha_{15} - \alpha_{16}) + (c_w^4 + s_w^4) \alpha_{17}) .
\end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

A summary of our notation for the many anomalous couplings can be found in table 1.

Before we close this section, let us comment on the validity of EFT and the experimental sensitivity. The operators \mathcal{O}_i are supposedly generated by a heavy particle of mass

⁵The neutral coefficients have been computed in [5]. We observe a discrepancy between our coefficients $\zeta_1^\gamma, \zeta_2^\gamma$ and the corresponding coefficients $a_1^{\gamma\gamma}, a_2^{\gamma\gamma}$ given in [5].

	Charged couplings		Neutral couplings	
	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}}^v$	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{CGC}}^\partial$	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}^v$	$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NGC}}^\partial$
Triple couplings (TGCs)	κ_i	$\lambda^\gamma, \lambda^Z$	–	–
Quartic couplings (QGCs)	η_i^W	ζ_i^W	η_i^Z	$\zeta_i^\gamma, \zeta_i^Z, \zeta_i^{\gamma Z}$

Table 1. Summary of our notation for the anomalous gauge couplings.

Λ , and hence EFT is valid as long as $E \ll \Lambda$. In practice (i.e. at a hadron collider) the energy will be distributed over a certain range, but bounded from above by some E_{max} , hence it is reasonable to only demand

$$E_{\text{max}} \leq \Lambda, \tag{3.12}$$

with the equality still being reasonably consistent with the EFT approach. Let us define the experimental sensitivity Λ_s^i to be the (say) 95% C.L. bound on the interaction $(\Lambda_s^i)^{-m_i} \mathcal{O}_i$. Clearly Λ_s is a function of E_{max} , and a given heavy particle can be constrained only if

$$\Lambda \leq (\alpha_i)^{\frac{1}{m_i}} \Lambda_s^i(E_{\text{max}}). \tag{3.13}$$

One can obtain a rough estimate of the sensitivity by combining eq. (3.13) with the EFT criterion eq. (3.12). This implies that $\Lambda_s^i(E_{\text{max}}) \geq (\alpha_i)^{-\frac{1}{m_i}} E_{\text{max}}$ in order for the experiment to be sensitive to a particular New Physics effect. The ratio $E_{\text{max}}/\Lambda_s^i(E_{\text{max}})$ is a measure of how strongly coupled new physics has to be in order to be tested experimentally by the effective interaction \mathcal{O}_i .

4 The generic loop contributions to \mathcal{L}^∂

We observed above that the \mathcal{L}^∂ piece of the effective Lagrangian dominates in the $v < E < \Lambda$ regime, i.e. the \mathcal{L}^v piece can be neglected. This implies that the effective Lagrangian is not only $U(1)_{em}$ symmetric, but also $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ symmetric in this regime. Given that \mathcal{L}^∂ contains only pure gauge operators, one can then make the crucial observation that any one-loop diagram contributing to \mathcal{L}^∂ has all its vertices fixed by gauge-invariance. As a consequence, any perturbative contribution to \mathcal{L}^∂ is fixed once the quantum numbers and the mass of the states running in the loop are specified. This allows us to provide formulas to easily compute \mathcal{L}^∂ in any model of new physics. We employ the heat kernel method to derive these loop contributions. Some elements of the derivations are collected in appendix A.

Let us consider a (real) heavy vector X_μ with mass m_X charged under $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \equiv G_{\text{EW}}$. In order to obtain a consistent Lagrangian, we will write the theory as a nonlinearly realized theory of a larger, not necessarily simple, gauge group G , i.e. we assume that the heavy gauge bosons live in the coset G/G_{EW} . The interactions of this heavy vector with the electroweak gauge bosons $V_\mu = (W_\mu, B_\mu)$ are described by

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}(\hat{X}_{\mu\nu}^{\hat{a}})^2 - \frac{1}{4}(V_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 - \frac{c}{2}X_\mu^{\hat{a}}X_\nu^{\hat{b}}f^{\hat{a}\hat{b}c}V_{\mu\nu}^c. \tag{4.1}$$

The indices with tildes denote the broken generators. The f^{ABC} structure constants of G split into those of G_{EW} , f^{abc} , and the coset $f^{\tilde{a}\tilde{b}\tilde{c}}$ which form a (in general reducible) representation of G_{EW} . The $\hat{X}_{\mu\nu}^{\tilde{a}}$ is the G_{EW} covariant field strength,

$$\hat{X}_{\mu\nu}^{\tilde{a}} = D_\mu X_\nu^{\tilde{a}} - D_\nu X_\mu^{\tilde{a}} \quad (4.2)$$

The coefficient c could in general be arbitrary, but at leading order is given by $c = g$, if we assume that there is at least a small hierarchy $f \ll \Lambda$ between the cutoff of the theory and the scale f of the breaking $G \rightarrow G_{\text{EW}}$. As typical example – that also serves as a model for the first Kaluza Klein (KK) resonances of an extra dimensional theory – consider a two-site model with gauge group $G = G' \times G_{\text{EW}}$ with $G' \supset G_{\text{EW}}$. Then the coset G/G_{EW} contains precisely the adjoint of G_{EW} and the representations appearing in the coset G'/G_{EW} , that is, formally all the representations of the decomposition $G' \rightarrow G_{\text{EW}}$ appear once.

We work in the Feynman-background gauge, in which there is no mixing between spin-1 and Goldstone degrees of freedom, the latter being degenerate in mass with the corresponding gauge fields. The ghosts contribute as an adjoint with multiplicity -2 , and they are also degenerate in mass. Then, we can compute the contribution of each irreducible G_{EW} representation t_X^a appearing in the decomposition under $G \rightarrow G_{\text{EW}}$ to the one-loop effective action as

$$S_{\text{eff}}^X = \frac{i}{2} \text{tr} \log (-[D^2 + m_X^2] \eta_{\mu\nu} + 2ig V_{\mu\nu}^a t_X^a) + \frac{i}{2} (1 - 2) \text{tr} \log (-D^2 - m_X^2) \quad (4.3)$$

where the last term is the sum of Goldstone and ghost contributions. Everything is background-covariant w.r.t. V_μ . One might observe that the massive vector in this gauge is thus a trivial generalization to the massless one, the only difference besides the nonzero mass being the Goldstone contribution.

Apart from the generic heavy vector, let us also consider a real scalar and a Dirac fermion with masses m_S , m_f transforming under respectively t_S^a , t_f^a of G_{EW} . The corresponding contributions are

$$S_{\text{eff}}^S = +\frac{i}{2} \text{tr} \log (-D^2 - m_S^2) , \quad (4.4)$$

$$S_{\text{eff}}^f = -\frac{i}{2} \text{tr} \log (-D^2 - m_f^2 + g S^{\mu\nu} V_{\mu\nu}^a t_f^a) , \quad (4.5)$$

where the Lorentz generators are defined as $S^{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{4} [\gamma^\mu, \gamma^\nu]$. Denoting the generators of a representation of a particle with spin $s = (0, \frac{1}{2}, 1)$ as $T^a = \{t_S^a, t_f^a, t_X^a\}$, the three and four field-strength operators will be respectively proportional to the traces of three and four generators $\text{tr}[T^a T^b T^c]$, $\text{tr}[T^a T^b T^c T^d]$. Notice that (irreducible) representations of G_{EW} are simply labelled by the hypercharge Y and by the dimension d of the $\text{SU}(2)_L$ representation, which can assume any positive integer value. Therefore, for each d_Y , the trace and thus the operator can be computed as a function of d and Y only.

Here below, although the representation d_Y is in general different for each particle, we will omit the index “ S, f, X ” for simplicity. The evaluation of the one loop effective action is performed in appendix A. The generic three-field strength operators generated by loops

of S, f, X_μ in an arbitrary representation d_Y are

$$\mathcal{L}^{(6)} \supset \frac{g^3}{16\pi^2} \left(-\frac{1}{144 m_S^2} + \frac{1}{36 m_f^2} - \frac{1}{48 m_X^2} \right) \frac{(d^2 - 1)d}{24} \mathcal{O}_{W^3}, \quad (4.6)$$

The four-field strength operators are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(8)} \supset & \frac{1}{16\pi^2 m_S^4} \left\{ \frac{1}{576} \mathcal{A} + \frac{1}{720} \mathcal{B} + \frac{1}{420} \mathcal{C} + \frac{2}{35} \mathcal{D} \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{16\pi^2 m_f^4} \left\{ -\frac{1}{36} \mathcal{A} + \frac{7}{90} \mathcal{B} - \frac{64}{105} \mathcal{C} + \frac{104}{35} \mathcal{D} \right\} \\ & + \frac{1}{16\pi^2 m_X^4} \left\{ -\frac{5}{64} \mathcal{A} + \frac{27}{80} \mathcal{B} - \frac{111}{140} \mathcal{C} + \frac{342}{35} \mathcal{D} \right\}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

where we have defined the operator combinations

$$\mathcal{A} = g'^4 dY^4 \mathcal{O}_8 + g^4 \left(\frac{(d^4 - 1)d}{240} \mathcal{O}_9 + \frac{(d^2 - 1)(d^2 - 4)d}{120} \mathcal{O}_{10} \right) \quad (4.8)$$

$$+ g^2 g'^2 \frac{(d^2 - 1)d}{6} Y^2 (\mathcal{O}_{11} + 2\mathcal{O}_{12}),$$

$$\mathcal{B} = g'^4 dY^4 \mathcal{O}_{13} + g^4 \left(\frac{(d^4 - 1)d}{120} \mathcal{O}_{14} + \frac{(d^2 - 9)(d^2 - 1)d}{240} \mathcal{O}_{15} \right) \quad (4.9)$$

$$+ g^2 g'^2 \frac{(d^2 - 1)d}{6} Y^2 (2\mathcal{O}_{16} + \mathcal{O}_{17}),$$

$$\mathcal{C} = g^4 \frac{d(d^2 - 1)}{1152} (\mathcal{O}_{10} - \mathcal{O}_9), \quad \mathcal{D} = g^4 \frac{d(d^2 - 1)}{1152} (\mathcal{O}_{15} - \mathcal{O}_{14}), \quad (4.10)$$

A first non-trivial result following from these formulas is that in general the contributions from the scalar are much smaller than the ones from particles of other spin. This is the well known dominance of the "magnetic moment" contributions (the field strength terms present in eqs. (4.3) and (4.5)) over the "convective" ones (stemming from the covariant derivatives), see e.g. [8]. For $d = 1$, it is clear that only the pure hypercharge contribution remains. The operators \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{D} do not contribute to NGCs. One can see that the loop contributions grow respectively as $O(d^3)$ and $O(d^5)$ for the three and four field strength operators. For the latter these are the pure W operators $\mathcal{O}_{9,10,14,15}$ which dominate in this limit.

5 Composite Higgs models and their holographic description

In this section we apply our general formulas to obtain \mathcal{L}^∂ in composite Higgs models. In such models the Higgs is identified as the pseudo Goldstone bosons of an approximate global symmetry G , spontaneously broken into H by the dynamics of a new strongly-interacting sector. The strong sector is coupled to a so-called elementary sector containing the SM gauge and fermion fields. The elementary SM fermions get mixed with composite fermions of the strong sector. This coupling between the two sectors breaks explicitly the strong sector global symmetry, giving a potential to the Higgs, thereby triggering electroweak

symmetry breaking. The Higgs sector is fully fixed once the coset G/H is specified. For a given G , there is also a freedom to choose the embedding of the composite fermions with which the elementary fermion mixes. The top sector plays a central role in this scenario, as a natural realization requires a composite top partner lighter than the mass scale of the strong sector (see e.g [14]).

A composite Higgs model is described by an effective chiral Lagrangian, and contains in general many free continuous parameters. However we saw that our generic formulas eqs. (4.6)–(4.9) only depend on the quantum numbers and masses of the resonances, the latter being the only continuous parameters. This is because all relevant couplings are fixed by gauge invariance. This feature provides a window on the quantum numbers of the model. Even if a lot of realizations are possible, this still constitutes a discrete set of possibilities, much easier to fit than a set of continuous parameters. A central question is then whether or not one can identify the strong sector global symmetry group through these measurements.

The composite resonances fill complete multiplets of G denoted r_G . To find out how they interact with the SM gauge fields, these multiplets have to be decomposed under $G \rightarrow G_{EW}$ as $r_G = \bigoplus d_Y$. As the global symmetry is broken, the various components d_Y resulting from a single r_G do not necessarily have the same mass. Moreover, there is in general a small splitting from electroweak symmetry breaking. However, in our framework we assume $\Lambda \gg v$, so we can neglect the latter.⁶ The picture of the mass spectrum is therefore as follows. The various r_H components of r_G ($r_G = \bigoplus r_H$) can have in general different masses. In addition, the d_Y components mixing with the SM fermions (mostly in the top sector) get a different mass from the rest of the r_H multiplet. Otherwise, components of r_H are all degenerate.

Let us focus on the global symmetry group $G \equiv \text{SO}(4 + N)$, used in a large part of composite Higgs models. In practice, N ranges from 1 to 5. We do not discuss contributions from possible scalar resonances as they are negligible with respect to the ones from fermion and vector resonances.

The gauge resonances of these models decompose under $G \rightarrow G_{EW}$ as

$$\mathbf{Adj}(G) \rightarrow \mathbf{3}_0 \oplus \mathbf{1}_{-1} \oplus \mathbf{1}_1 \oplus N \times (\mathbf{2}_{1/2} \oplus \mathbf{2}_{-1/2}) \oplus \left(\frac{N(N-1)}{2} + 1 \right) \times \mathbf{1}_0. \quad (5.1)$$

The $\mathbf{3}_0$ and $\mathbf{1}_0$ are SM-like resonances corresponding to heavy copies of the W_μ^I, B_μ fields. We can see that a number of degrees of freedom of $\mathbf{Adj}(G)$ goes into the singlets, which do not contribute to the anomalous gauge couplings. Amongst the non SM-like resonances there are N doublets, as well as the (complex) $\text{SU}(2)$ singlet of unit hypercharge that is needed to complete $\text{SU}(2)_R$ multiplet. Computing the effect from these additional resonances in eqs. (4.6)–(4.9), we find they typically modify the contributions from the SM-like resonance by $O(10)$ factors. We do not discuss further these vectorial resonances as they are in general overwhelmed by fermionic ones.

⁶Some of the resonances we discuss below could be rather light. However, their masses have to be somewhat higher than v as they would already have been detected at the LHC otherwise, see [16–18]. We can thus safely assume $\Lambda \gg v$ and neglect the electroweak mass splittings.

Considering fermion resonances, we focus our attention on light composite top partners Ψ .⁷ Because they are typically lighter than other states of the strong sector, their contribution may naturally become the dominant one because of the quadratic and quartic mass dependence. This state may in general have other light companions coming from the embedding in r_G . To stay general, let us consider all components of r_G , with possibly different masses. Getting the correct SM fermions hypercharge requires to add a $U(1)_X$ charge to G , and that the quantum numbers of Ψ under $SO(4) \times U(1)_X$ be $\mathbf{1}_{2/3}$ or $\mathbf{4}_{2/3}$.⁸ We consider two typical embeddings of the top partner, in the fundamental $\mathbf{F}_{2/3}$ and in the symmetric traceless $\mathbf{S}_{2/3}$ representations of G . These representations decompose respectively under the d_Y components of G_{EW} as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{F}_{2/3} &= \mathbf{2}_{1/6} \oplus \mathbf{2}_{7/6} \oplus N \times \mathbf{1}_{2/3}, \\ \mathbf{S}_{2/3} &= \mathbf{3}_{5/3} \oplus \mathbf{3}_{2/3} \oplus \mathbf{3}_{-1/3} \oplus N \times (\mathbf{2}_{1/6} \oplus \mathbf{2}_{7/6}) \oplus \frac{N(N+1)}{2} \times \mathbf{1}_{2/3}. \end{aligned} \tag{5.2}$$

The $\mathbf{2}_{1/6}$, $\mathbf{1}_{1/3}$ are top-like components, potentially mixing with the elementary top. Because of the $U(1)_X$ charge, all states including singlets are charged under G_{EW} . The $\mathbf{F}_{2/3}$ contains an exotic doublet with high hypercharge and a number of singlets. For the $\mathbf{S}_{2/3}$, we see there are several top-like resonances, and new exotic partners charged in the $SU(2)_L$ adjoint. The pattern of anomalous gauge couplings generated by the light top partners is shown in table 2.

We see that the exotic contributions dominate over those of the SM-like resonances because of their quantum numbers. Therefore, unless the exotic resonances are heavier than the SM-like ones, they are dominant in the anomalous gauge couplings. These exotics resonances may therefore be the first manifestation of scenario with strongly interacting Higgs. If anomalous gauge couplings are indeed measured, the next step would be to identify the pattern of deviations. The first natural analysis would be to test the hypothesis of a single dominant resonance, comparing the data to the various patterns shown in table 2. On the other hand, because of the possible mass splittings, identifying the global symmetry group using the mild dependence on N would probably be very challenging.

Overall the generic perturbative contributions described above display interesting perspectives for the search and study of composite Higgs models in TeV precision physics, although the predicted deviations are small and rather high experimental precision is needed. However, although these contributions to the \mathcal{L}^∂ Lagrangian are well under control, they might not be the only ones present. In the paradigm of a conformal strong sector spontaneously broken in the IR, the theory also contains a light scalar, pseudo Goldstone boson of the broken scale invariance, the so-called dilaton. The couplings of the dilaton to the rest of particles are strongly constrained by the nonlinearly realized conformal symmetry. It couples to the trace of the energy-momentum (EM) tensor of the elementary and strong sectors. The trace of the EM tensor of the massless (elementary) gauge fields vanishes classically but not at the quantum level. The dilaton couples to the large trace anomaly

⁷Other light vector-like fermions, such as τ or bottom partners, can be present in some models. Our results trivially generalize to these cases.

⁸Notice $\mathbf{4}_{2/3}$ contains both top-like and exotic components.

	$\mathbf{1}_{2/3}$	$\mathbf{2}_{1/6}$	$\mathbf{2}_{7/6}$	$\mathbf{3}_{5/3} \oplus \mathbf{3}_{2/3} \oplus \mathbf{3}_{-1/3}$
$\lambda^{Z,\gamma}$	0	1.7×10^{-4}	1.7×10^{-4}	0.002
ζ_1^γ	-1.0×10^{-6}	-1.1×10^{-6}	-4.1×10^{-5}	-3.6×10^{-4}
$\zeta_1^{\gamma Z}$	2.2×10^{-6}	-5.8×10^{-6}	-1.7×10^{-5}	-4.9×10^{-4}
ζ_1^Z	-0.6×10^{-6}	-4.3×10^{-6}	-1.3×10^{-5}	-2.6×10^{-4}
ζ_2^γ	2.9×10^{-6}	1.2×10^{-6}	11×10^{-5}	9.7×10^{-4}
$\zeta_2^{\gamma Z}$	-6.2×10^{-6}	3.0×10^{-6}	3.4×10^{-5}	11×10^{-4}
ζ_2^Z	3.4×10^{-6}	-0.3×10^{-6}	5.0×10^{-5}	8.6×10^{-4}
ζ_3^Z	-1.2×10^{-6}	-8.6×10^{-6}	-2.7×10^{-5}	-5.1×10^{-4}
ζ_4^Z	1.7×10^{-6}	-0.1×10^{-6}	2.5×10^{-5}	4.3×10^{-4}
ζ_1^W	0	-2.2×10^{-6}	-6.2×10^{-5}	-7.4×10^{-4}
ζ_2^W	0	-12×10^{-6}	32×10^{-5}	35×10^{-4}
ζ_3^W	0	-13×10^{-6}	-13×10^{-5}	-16×10^{-4}
ζ_4^W	0	22×10^{-6}	19×10^{-5}	23×10^{-4}

Table 2. Pattern of anomalous couplings generated by the various top partners from $\mathbf{F}_{2/3}$ and $\mathbf{S}_{2/3}$ in units of $\Lambda = m_\Psi$. The masses of resonances on each column are potentially different.

generated by the running of the gauge coupling driven by composite states above the scale of conformal breaking, see e.g [19] and references therein.⁹ The tree-level exchange of a dilaton would thus generate operators of the form

$$F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}, \quad F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} Z^{\rho\sigma} Z_{\rho\sigma}, \quad F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} W^{+\rho\sigma} W_{\rho\sigma}^- \quad (5.3)$$

contributing to the \mathcal{L}^∂ Lagrangian. The Lorentz structure implies that only the ζ_1 couplings can be modified by the dilaton, while the others remain unaltered.

To get a handle on the leading contributions from the dilaton, let us take the crucial assumption that the strongly interacting CFT has a large number of colors N_c . In that case one can invoke the qualitative version of the *AdS/CFT* correspondence, to describe the composite Higgs models in terms of a weakly-coupled five-dimensional theory. The KK modes of this warped extra dimension are identified as the resonances of the 4d strong sector, while the dilaton of the 4d theory is identified with the radion mode. However, in addition to describing the dilaton, a striking phenomenological prediction of the *AdS₅* picture is the presence of light KK gravitons near the IR brane. This implies in the 4d picture the existence of a set of composite spin-2 resonances coupling to the EM tensor of the other fields present.

We are now going to switch to the 5d picture, to compute all these effects together. Following our line of work, we will try to provide results as model-independently as possible.

⁹There are also small contributions to trace anomaly from loops of elementary fields and from a possible source of explicit CFT breaking.

6 Integrating out a warped extra-dimension

We now turn to 5d theories with a warped background. We define an effective framework including the Randall-Sundrum models as well as the pNGB composite Higgs models of section 5. The framework is described below, and details of the calculations are collected in the appendix. Let us briefly summarize the configuration of the effective framework.

- We describe the 5d background by two free parameters \tilde{k} and κ , that are related to the curvature k and the warp factor ϵ as $\kappa = k/M_{Pl}$ and $\tilde{k} = \epsilon k$ respectively.
- The Higgs localization is controlled by the parameter ν , where $\nu = \infty$ is an IR brane Higgs and $\nu = 0$ corresponds to a composite pNGB Higgs.
- The radion has mass m_ϕ , while its couplings are fixed by κ, \tilde{k} .
- Gauge fields are either on the IR brane or in the bulk. If they are in the bulk, the gauge group is either the SM or extended in the custodial and/or gauge-Higgs unification models.
- In the bulk gauge fields case, $SU(2)_L$ and $U(1)_Y$ IR brane kinetic terms (BKTs) respectively parametrized as r, r' are present.

6.1 The 5d framework

The spacetime metric of theories with a warped extra dimension can be written in general as

$$ds^2 = \gamma_{MN} dx^N dx^M = a(z)^{-2}(\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2), \quad (6.1)$$

with $\eta_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, -1)$, $z \in [z_{UV}, z_{IR}]$. The action reads

$$S = - \int dx^5 \sqrt{-g} \{ M^3 (\mathcal{R} + \Lambda) + \frac{1}{4} F_{MN} F^{MN} - D_M H^\dagger D^M H - \frac{i}{2} \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^M \overleftrightarrow{D}_M \Psi + m_H^2 |H|^2 + m_\Psi \bar{\Psi} \Psi + \mathcal{B} \}. \quad (6.2)$$

Here M is the 5d Planck mass, \mathcal{R} is the Ricci scalar and Λ is a negative cosmological constant. \mathcal{B} contains the boundary terms, and m_H^2 and m_Ψ denote the 5d masses responsible for the localization of the Higgs and fermion zero modes. For the purpose of deriving the low-energy effective Lagrangian, there is in general no need to specify a particular background, many analytic expressions can be derived in terms of $a(z)$ and zero mode profiles [20]. Any stabilization mechanism will induce such a nontrivial metric, we will work under the approximation that such backreaction is neglected.

The AdS_5 metric $a(z) = kz$ then follows from eq. (6.2) with $\Lambda = 12k^2$. The quantity k is the inverse curvature radius, we take the location of the UV boundary to be $z_0 = 1/k$ without loss of generality and define $\tilde{k} \equiv 1/z_1$ where z_1 is the location of the IR boundary. The 4d reduced Planck mass is related to the scale M as $M^3 = kM_{Pl}^2$. The AdS_5 background can be described in terms of two parameters, for our purpose it is appropriate to choose the IR scale \tilde{k} and the dimensionless quantity

$$\kappa = k/M_{Pl}. \quad (6.3)$$

The 5d theory is perturbative for values of κ of $O(1)$ or smaller. This is obtained by requiring higher curvature terms \mathcal{R}_5/M_*^2 to be smaller than 1. Here $\mathcal{R}_5 = 20k^2$ is the size of the AdS curvature and M_* is seen as the cutoff of the 5d theory, estimated by naive dimensional analysis [21, 22], to be $M_*^3 \approx (24\pi^3)M_{Pl}^2 k$. Note that the narrow-width approximation breaks down for $\kappa \gtrsim 2$ ($\kappa \gtrsim 0.3$) for the case of bulk (IR brane) localized SM fields [22, 23]. This will not constitute a problem for integrating out KK gravitons, as for this purpose one goes in the zero momentum limit for which the imaginary part of the self-energy vanishes.

Finally, we include the IR brane kinetic terms

$$\mathcal{B} \supset \delta(z - z_1) \frac{r_I}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^I F^{I\mu\nu}. \tag{6.4}$$

These BKTs are generically present in the theory, and are radiatively generated even if they are set to zero at a given scale. These BKTs induce various effects which turn out to be crucial for the phenomenology of the bulk gauge scenario, in particular they distort the gauge KK spectrum. The physical gauge coupling is given by¹⁰

$$(g^I)^2 = \frac{(g_5^I)^2}{V + r_1^I}. \tag{6.5}$$

Equation (6.5) constrains $r^I > -V$.

The first KK modes have a mass related to the IR scale \tilde{k} by $O(1)$ factors. The first graviton and gauge modes without BKTs have a mass

$$m_2 \approx 3.8 \tilde{k}, \quad m_1 \approx 2.4 \tilde{k}. \tag{6.6}$$

The first KK gauge modes in presence of respectively positive and negative BKTs $|r_I| > O(1)$ have a mass¹¹

$$m_1 \approx \sqrt{2} \sqrt{\frac{r_I + V}{r_I V}} \tilde{k}, \quad m_1 \approx 3.9 \tilde{k}. \tag{6.7}$$

The first KK fermions with flat profile have a mass $m_{1/2} \approx 2.4 \tilde{k}$. However, fermions with mixed Neumann-Dirichlet boundary conditions and the appropriate sign of bulk mass can become exponentially light with respect to \tilde{k} . It is important to keep this possibility in mind as it can have consequences for the size of the anomalous gauge couplings. This constitutes the 5d version of the light top partners of the composite Higgs setup. The other quantities commonly used in the AdS_5 background are the warp factor $\epsilon \equiv \tilde{k}/k$ and the volume factor $V = \log k/\tilde{k}$. Notice that in order to solve the hierarchy problem, i.e. $\tilde{k} \approx 1$ TeV, one needs $V \approx 37$.

Defining $\nu = \sqrt{m_H^2/k^2 + 4}$, the Higgs profile along the fifth dimension is

$$f_h(z) \propto z^{2+\nu}. \tag{6.8}$$

¹⁰We restrict to IR BKTs. In presence of UV BKTs, the physical gauge coupling becomes $(g^I)^2 = (g_5^I)^2 / (V + r_0^I + r_1^I)$.

¹¹For $r_I \rightarrow +\infty$ the mass matches a Neumann-Dirichlet boundary condition.

In the limit $\nu \rightarrow \infty$, the wave-function is totally localized on the IR brane, i.e. it can be described by a boundary 4d Lagrangian $\mathcal{L} \supset \delta(z - z_1) \mathcal{L}_H^{4d}$. The lower bound is $\nu = 0$,¹² for this value the Higgs field is in the bulk, but is still localized towards the IR brane.

The case $\nu = 0$ also describes the couplings of a possible zero mode of the fifth component of a gauge field, A_5 . Other properties of a A_5 like the 5d energy-momentum tensor are different from those of a fundamental scalar. However, for our purpose, only the tree-level profile matters. We can therefore interpret our $\nu = 0$ fundamental Higgs as an A_5 . Identifying the Higgs as a A_5 is the central idea of gauge-Higgs unification models. In the holographic picture, it corresponds to the Goldstone boson of the global symmetry spontaneously broken by the strong dynamics. The $\nu = 0$ case corresponds therefore to a holographic description of the composite pNGB models that we discussed in section 5.

The radion in a slice of pure AdS is massless. In the holographic picture it corresponds to the dilaton, i.e. the Goldstone boson of scale invariance spontaneously broken by the strong dynamics. Once the size of the extra-dimension is fixed by a stabilization mechanism, the AdS background gets deformed and the radion obtains a mass. In the holographic picture this corresponds to an explicit deformation of the CFT by a relevant operator. In many classes of models the radion is lighter than the IR scale, $m_\phi \ll \tilde{k}$. In this limit its profile stays unperturbed to leading order, its couplings are given by those of a massless radion up to corrections of $\mathcal{O}(m_\phi^2/\tilde{k}^2)$, and the only free parameter is its mass m_ϕ .

Contrary to scalar fields, gauge fields cannot be continuously localized from bulk to brane. We consider two separate cases, with gauge fields propagating in the bulk and on the IR brane respectively. The case of bulk gauge fields corresponds to a global symmetry of the CFT, and one can extend the bulk gauge group to a larger symmetry including in particular the custodial $SU(2)_R$, as motivated by electroweak precision observables (see section 7). We will consider both the non-custodial and custodial cases.

Hereafter we derive the effective 4d Lagrangian arising from this 5d framework. We are going to integrate out the radion and KK excitations of gauge, fermions, and gravity. The effective 4d action resulting from integrating out gravity in a slice of AdS_5 has been computed in ref. [15] and is reviewed in appendix B. The SM fields couple to 5d gravity via the modified 5d energy-momentum tensor \bar{T}_{MN} defined in eq. (B.7). The piece proportional to $(\bar{T}_{\mu\nu})^2$ reads

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{4 M^3} \int_{z_0}^{z_1} dz (kz)^3 [\Theta_{\mu\nu}(z) - \Omega_{-2}(z) \Theta_{\mu\nu}(z_1)]^2 \tag{6.9}$$

where $\Theta_{\mu\nu}$ is the $\bar{T}_{\mu\nu}$ integrated over the 5th dimension (see eq. (B.8)) and Ω_p is defined as

$$\Omega_p = \frac{z^p - z_0^p}{z_1^p - z_0^p}. \tag{6.10}$$

The leading contribution proportional to $(\bar{T}_{55})^2$ comes from the radion. Its Lagrangian reads

$$\mathcal{L}_\phi = \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2 + \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\epsilon}{M_{Pl}} \Theta(x, z_1) \phi \tag{6.11}$$

¹²This corresponds to $m_H^2 = -4k^2$, the Breitenlohner-Freedman bound for stability of AdS space.

where the source Θ equals \bar{T}_{55} integrated over the extra dimensional coordinate, see eq. (B.12) for an explicit expression. Integrating out ϕ leads to

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\epsilon^2}{3M_{Pl}^2} \frac{1}{m_\phi^2} [\Theta(x, z_1)]^2. \quad (6.12)$$

Integrating out the tree-level KK gauge fields leads to an effective action

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = -\frac{(g_5^I)^2}{2} a_{XY}^I J_X^{I\mu} J_{Y\mu}^I \quad (6.13)$$

where $X, Y = H, f$ label the Higgs and fermions zero modes and I labels the 5d gauge field. The $J_X^{I\mu}$ are the zero mode currents. The quantities a_{XY} are given by

$$a_{XY}^I = \int dz \, kz (\Omega_X - \Omega_I) (\Omega_Y - \Omega_I) \quad (6.14)$$

where¹³

$$\Omega_I = \begin{cases} \frac{\log(kz)}{V + r_1^I} & (++) \text{ gauge field} \\ 0 & (+-) \text{ gauge field} \\ 1 & (-+) \text{ gauge field} \end{cases} \quad (6.15)$$

We are only interested in the oblique and flavor diagonal part of the effective action and therefore can set universally $\Omega_f = 1$ as if all fermions were exactly UV localized.¹⁴ The integrated profile of the Higgs is given by $\Omega_H = \Omega_{2(\nu+1)}$. Details of the calculations are left for appendix B and can be found in [15, 20].

Finally, the loops of KK modes are already included in the general formulas of section 4. The only work to do is to sum the contributions over the tower of KK modes. This translates to small enhancement factors, as the operators we consider are UV-finite, and thus dominated by the lightest KK modes. The enhancement factors for the inverse-quartic sum are rather close to one. The zeroes of the Bessel functions J_ρ satisfy [24]

$$\sum_n \frac{1}{(m_{\rho,n})^4} = \frac{1}{(2\tilde{k})^4(\rho+1)^2(\rho+2)} \quad (6.16)$$

For instance, for a KK gauge mode with $J_0(m_1/\tilde{k}) = 0$ one has to make the replacement

$$\frac{1}{(2.405)^4} \approx \frac{1}{33.5} \rightarrow \frac{1}{32} \quad (6.17)$$

i.e., a correction factor $K_{\rho=0}^{(4)} \approx 1.045$. The correction increases with ρ , e.g. $K_{\rho=1}^{(4)} \approx 1.123$. The correction are larger for the inverse-square sum, entering in the computation of \mathcal{O}_{W3} ,

$$\sum_n \frac{1}{(m_{\rho,n})^2} = \frac{1}{(2\tilde{k})^2(\rho+1)} \quad (6.18)$$

e.g. $K_{\rho=0}^{(2)} = 1.45$ and $K_{\rho=1}^{(2)} = 1.83$.

¹³In presence of both UV and IR BKTs, $\Omega_I = \frac{\log(kz) + r_0^I}{V + r_0^I + r_1^I}$ for $++$ gauge fields.

¹⁴Deviations from UV localization lead to non-oblique operators for heavy fermions, such as anomalous Zbb couplings that we do not discuss in this paper.

6.2 Contributions from KK gravity

Here we derive the contributions to the effective Lagrangian from KK-gravitons and from the radion. We distinguish two separate cases depending whether gauge fields are confined on the IR brane or propagate in the bulk. For simplicity, a common BKT has been assumed, $r_I = r$. Note in the numerical results in sections 7 and 8 we keep the dependence on both r and r' .

For gauge fields in the bulk, the KK gravitons contribute as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(8)} \supset & \frac{\kappa^2}{128 \tilde{k}^4} \frac{1 + 4r + 8r^2}{(r + V)^2} \left(-\frac{1}{4}(\mathcal{O}_8 + \mathcal{O}_9 + 2\mathcal{O}_{11}) + \mathcal{O}_{13} + \mathcal{O}_{14} + 2\mathcal{O}_{16} \right) \\ & + \frac{\kappa^2}{64 \tilde{k}^4} \frac{1}{r + V} \frac{(1 + \nu)(5 + \nu + 4r(3 + \nu))}{(3 + \nu)^2} \left(-4\mathcal{O}_3 - 4\mathcal{O}_4 + \mathcal{O}_6 + \mathcal{O}_7 \right). \end{aligned} \quad (6.19)$$

Integrating out the radion leads to

$$\mathcal{L}^{(8)} \supset \frac{\kappa^2}{192 \tilde{k}^2} \frac{1}{(V + r)^2} \frac{1}{m_\phi^2} (\mathcal{O}_8 + \mathcal{O}_9 + 2\mathcal{O}_{11}). \quad (6.20)$$

The radion also contribute to operators of $\mathcal{L}^{(6)}$,

$$\mathcal{L}^{(6)} \supset \frac{\kappa^2}{12 \tilde{k}^2} \frac{1}{V + r} \frac{m_h^2}{m_\phi^2} (\mathcal{O}_{WW} + \mathcal{O}_{BB} + \mathcal{O}_{GG}), \quad (6.21)$$

where m_h is the physical Higgs mass. This contribution can be see as a manifestation of Higgs-radion mixing in the range $m_h < m_\phi < \tilde{k}$. KK gravitons do not contribute to these operators as their contribution is proportional to the trace of the gauge EM tensor and thus exactly zero.

We finally remark that there is a contribution to the operator \mathcal{O}_D^2 from 5d gravity. This has been computed in a model of 5d supergravity coupled to matter fields in ref. [15], here we simply take the result from there by omitting the contributions from superpartners. One finds

$$\mathcal{L}^{(6)} \supset -\frac{\kappa^2}{6 \tilde{k}^2} \frac{(1 + \nu)^2}{3 + 2\nu} \mathcal{O}_{D^2} \quad (6.22)$$

As already noticed in ref. [15], this result diverges in the localization limit $\nu \rightarrow \infty$. The reason for this is that 5d gravity couples to 5d mass terms, and hence perturbation theory breaks down for large (but in principle finite) ν . However, starting directly from brane-localized fields (without taking the limit $\nu \rightarrow \infty$) one can show that these contributions are exactly zero.

For gauge and matter fields on the IR brane, one can simply take the limit $r, \nu \rightarrow \infty$ in eqs. (6.19), (6.20) and (6.21), leading to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(8)} \supset & \frac{\kappa^2}{16 \tilde{k}^4} \left(-\frac{1}{4}(\mathcal{O}_8 + \mathcal{O}_9 + 2\mathcal{O}_{11}) + \mathcal{O}_{13} + \mathcal{O}_{14} + 2\mathcal{O}_{16} \right) \\ & + \frac{\kappa^2}{16 \tilde{k}^4} \left(-4(\mathcal{O}_3 + \mathcal{O}_4) + \mathcal{O}_6 + \mathcal{O}_7 \right). \end{aligned} \quad (6.23)$$

In case of brane localized fields, the radion couples only to the trace of the EM tensor, whose gauge part vanishes. It therefore does not contribute to any operators involving gauge fields.

6.3 Contributions from KK gauge modes

Let us define the functions of the Higgs bulk mass

$$f_1(\nu) = \frac{2(1+\nu)^2}{(2\nu+3)(\nu+2)}, \quad f_2(\nu) = \frac{(1+\nu)(3+\nu)}{(2+\nu)^2}. \quad (6.24)$$

For a brane Higgs, their values are $f_1(\infty) = f_2(\infty) = 1$. For a pseudo-Goldstone Higgs, $f_1(0) = 1/3$, $f_2(0) = 3/4$. We do not display explicitly the r -dependent terms, nor contributions that are subleading in $1/V$. Both can be easily obtained from our general expressions. In the non-custodial case, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(6)} \supset & -\frac{3g^2 + g'^2}{8\tilde{k}^2} V f_1(\nu) \mathcal{O}_{D^2} + \frac{g^2}{4\tilde{k}^2} f_2(\nu) \mathcal{O}_D - \frac{g^2}{\tilde{k}^2} \frac{1}{8V} \mathcal{O}_{4f} \\ & - \frac{g'^2}{4\tilde{k}^2} V f_1(\nu) \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} + \frac{g'^2}{4\tilde{k}^2} f_2(\nu) \mathcal{O}'_D - \frac{g'^2}{\tilde{k}^2} \frac{1}{8V} \mathcal{O}'_{4f}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.25)$$

In the custodial case,¹⁵ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(6)} \supset & -\frac{3g^2 + 3g'^2}{8\tilde{k}^2} V f_1(\nu) \mathcal{O}_{D^2} + \frac{g^2}{4\tilde{k}^2} f_2(\nu) \mathcal{O}_D - \frac{g^2}{\tilde{k}^2} \frac{1}{8V} \mathcal{O}_{4f} \\ & + \frac{g'^2}{4\tilde{k}^2} f_2(\nu) \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} + \frac{g'^2}{4\tilde{k}^2} f_2(\nu) \mathcal{O}'_D - \frac{g'^2}{\tilde{k}^2} \frac{1}{8V} \mathcal{O}'_{4f}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.26)$$

6.4 Contributions from KK-loops

From the KK Higgs, we find¹⁶

$$\mathcal{L}^{(6)} \supset -\frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{1}{288} \frac{K_0^{(2)}}{m_0^2} \mathcal{O}_{W^3}, \quad (6.27)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(8)} \supset & \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} \frac{K_0^{(4)}}{4m_0^4} \left(\frac{33\mathcal{O}_9 + 2\mathcal{O}_{10} + 8\mathcal{O}_{14} + 20\mathcal{O}_{15}}{20160} \right) \\ & + \frac{g^2 g'^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{K_0^{(4)}}{4m_0^4} \left(\frac{1}{576} (2\mathcal{O}_{11} + 4\mathcal{O}_{12}) + \frac{1}{720} (4\mathcal{O}_{16} + 2\mathcal{O}_{17}) \right) \\ & + \frac{g'^4}{16\pi^2} \frac{K_0^{(4)}}{4m_0^4} \left(\frac{1}{576} \mathcal{O}_8 + \frac{1}{720} \mathcal{O}_{13} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (6.28)$$

where m_0 is the lightest KK Higgs mass and the correction from the KK tower amounts to a very mild enhancement factor $K_0^{(4)}$. As already stated, contributions of spin-zero states are suppressed compared to those of nonzero spin. The Higgs KK tower thus plays no role and we will neglect it in what follows. From the KK SM-like fermions, we find

$$\mathcal{L}^{(6)} \supset \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{1}{12} \frac{K_{1/2}^{(2)}}{m_{1/2}^2} \mathcal{O}_{W^3}, \quad (6.29)$$

¹⁵The custodial \mathcal{O}_{D^2} also gets a subleading coefficient $-\frac{g'^2}{8\tilde{k}^2} f_2(\nu)$.

¹⁶This contribution only applies to bulk scalars and not to the case of a pGB Higgs.

as well as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}^{(8)} \supset & \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} \frac{K_{1/2}^{(4)}}{m_{1/2}^4} \left(\frac{-3\mathcal{O}_9 - 32\mathcal{O}_{10} + 40\mathcal{O}_{14} + 58\mathcal{O}_{15}}{840} \right) \\ & + \frac{g^2 g'^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{K_{1/2}^{(4)}}{m_{1/2}^4} \left(-\frac{1}{36}(\mathcal{O}_{11} + 2\mathcal{O}_{12}) + \frac{7}{90}(2\mathcal{O}_{16} + \mathcal{O}_{17}) \right) \\ & + \frac{g'^4}{16\pi^2} \frac{95}{18} \frac{K_{1/2}^{(4)}}{m_{1/2}^4} \left(-\frac{1}{36}\mathcal{O}_8 + \frac{7}{90}\mathcal{O}_{13} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (6.30)$$

From the KK SM-like vectors without custodial symmetry, we find

$$\mathcal{L}^{(6)} \supset -\frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{1}{48} \frac{K_{\mathbf{1}}^{(2)}}{m_{\mathbf{1}}^2} \mathcal{O}_{W^3}, \quad (6.31)$$

$$\mathcal{L}^{(8)} \supset \frac{g^4}{16\pi^2} \frac{K_{\mathbf{1}}^{(4)}}{m_{\mathbf{1}}^4} \left(\frac{-69\mathcal{O}_9 - 106\mathcal{O}_{10} + 528\mathcal{O}_{14} + 228\mathcal{O}_{15}}{1120} \right) \quad (6.32)$$

Finally, in presence of custodial symmetry, an additional operator

$$\mathcal{L}^{(8)} \supset \frac{g'^4}{16\pi^2} \frac{K_{\mathbf{1}}^{(4)}}{m_{\mathbf{1}}^4} \left(-\frac{5}{32}\mathcal{O}_8 + \frac{27}{40}\mathcal{O}_{13} \right) \quad (6.33)$$

is generated. Here, the enhancement factors that take into account the tower of KK resonances are approximately given by $K^{(n)} \approx K_{\rho=0}^{(n)}$ for both fermions and vectors. They are thus approximately given by $K^{(2)} \approx 1.45$ and $K^{(4)} \approx 1.045$.

7 Bounds from Higgs and electroweak precision measurements

Let us derive the bounds imposed by electroweak and Higgs precision physics. The expected deviations to the S and T parameters [25, 26] and to Higgs anomalous couplings in terms of the effective operators of $\mathcal{L}^{(6)}$ are [9]

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \left(2s_w c_w \alpha_{WB} + s_w^2 (\alpha_D - 2\alpha_{4f}) + c_w^2 (\alpha'_D - 2\alpha'_{4f}) \right) \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}, \\ T &= \left(-\frac{1}{2}\alpha'_{D^2} + \frac{1}{2}\alpha'_D - \frac{1}{2}\alpha'_{4f} \right) \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (7.1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_Z &= 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\alpha_{D^2} - \frac{1}{4}(\alpha_D - \alpha_{4f}) + \frac{1}{4}\alpha'_{D^2} \right) \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}, \\ a_W &= 1 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\alpha_{D^2} - \frac{1}{4}(\alpha_D - \alpha_{4f}) - \frac{1}{4}\alpha'_{D^2} \right) \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (7.2)$$

with

$$\mathcal{L}_{hVV} = a_Z \frac{m_Z^2}{v} h(Z_\mu)^2 + a_W \frac{2m_W^2}{v} h(W_\mu)^2. \quad (7.3)$$

The presence of IR BKTs modifies the gauge coupling matching and distorts the gauge propagators. It turns out that for the bulk gauge scenario, the exact predictions for the S , T parameters are

$$S = 2\pi f_2(\nu) \left(1 + (r + r') \frac{2 + \nu}{3 + \nu} \right) \frac{v^2}{\tilde{k}^2}, \quad (7.4)$$

$$T = \frac{\pi V}{2c_w^2} f_1(\nu) \left(1 + \frac{r'}{V} \right) \frac{v^2}{\tilde{k}^2}, \quad (7.5)$$

and $T = 0$ exactly in the custodial case.¹⁷ These surprisingly simple expressions are the result of exact cancellations among more complicated contributions from the various operators. In particular no such simple expressions can be obtained for the a_V or the κ_i . One might also check that for the case of a pNGB Higgs, $\nu = 0$, and for $r = r'$ the expression for S coincides precisely with the one obtained in ref. [28]. Finally, for brane gauge fields, contributions only come at the loop level and are thus much smaller, so that we do not consider them.

The KK gauge fields also induce Higgs anomalous couplings. We do not display the full expressions including BKTs, as they are rather lengthy. For vanishing r_I one gets in the non-custodial case

$$a_Z \approx 1 - \frac{3g^2 + 2g'^2}{16} V f_1(\nu) \frac{v^2}{\tilde{k}^2} \quad a_W \approx 1 - \frac{3g^2}{16} V f_1(\nu) \frac{v^2}{\tilde{k}^2}. \quad (7.6)$$

In the custodial case one gets¹⁸

$$a_Z \approx a_W \approx 1 - \frac{3g^2 + 3g'^2}{16} V f_1(\nu) \frac{v^2}{\tilde{k}^2}. \quad (7.7)$$

In both cases, the $a_W - a_Z$ discrepancy is proportional to g'^2 . Once including the BKTs, it turns out that in both cases $a_W - a_Z$ grows large for negative values of r' and goes to zero for positive values of r' . For brane gauge fields, these contributions are zero. Finally the radion also generates the new tensorial Higgs couplings

$$\mathcal{L}_{h\gamma\gamma} = \zeta_\gamma h(F_{\mu\nu})^2, \quad (7.8)$$

with

$$\zeta_\gamma = \frac{\kappa^2}{12} \left(\frac{s_w^2}{r + V} + \frac{c_w^2}{r' + V} \right) \frac{m_h^2 v}{m_\phi^2 \tilde{k}^2}. \quad (7.9)$$

¹⁷In presence of light exotic fermions there can be important contributions to S and T from loop effects [27]. These can be interpreted as arising from operator mixing when performing the RG evolution between the UV and EW scales.

¹⁸An important subtlety is that the equality $a_Z = a_W$ is valid only up to terms subleading in the large V expansion. In fact, custodial symmetry in the strong sector ensures only $T = 0$, not $a_Z = a_W$. However one would obtain $a_Z = a_W$ by setting $g' \rightarrow 0$. The ungauged hypercharge limit for which custodial symmetry becomes exact corresponds in the 5d picture to just switching the $U(1)_R$ UV boundary condition from Neumann to Dirichlet, and one obtains indeed $a_W = a_Z$ in this case. However, once hypercharge is gauged, the difference $a_Z \neq a_W$, originating from KK gauge resonances, is still present.

For experimental inputs, we use the S, T ellipse of the post-Higgs fit [29] with $U = 0$.

$$S = 0.05 \pm 0.09, \quad T = 0.08 \pm 0.07 \quad (7.10)$$

with a correlation coefficient of +0.91. Constraints on a_V (for $a_W = a_Z$) and the ζ_i are taken from the global fit of [9]. At 95% CL one has

$$0.96 < a_V < 1.21, \quad -6.1 < \zeta_\gamma v \times 10^3 < 0.9, \quad (7.11)$$

the constraints on other ζ_i being less stringent for our purpose.

These constraints translate as the following 95% CL bounds on the KK modes and parameters. Consider first vanishing BKTs. From the S, T parameters in the non-custodial case, we obtain¹⁹

$$m_{\mathbf{1}}|_{\nu=\infty} > 14.7 \text{ TeV}, \quad m_{\mathbf{1}}|_{\nu=0} > 8.1 \text{ TeV}. \quad (7.12)$$

In the custodial case,

$$m_{\mathbf{1}}|_{\nu=\infty} > 7.7 \text{ TeV}, \quad m_{\mathbf{1}}|_{\nu=0} > 6.6 \text{ TeV}. \quad (7.13)$$

From the a_V bounds we have

$$m_{\mathbf{1}}|_{\nu=\infty} > 5.8 \text{ TeV} \quad m_{\mathbf{1}}|_{\nu=0} > 3.4 \text{ TeV} \quad (7.14)$$

in the custodial case. Although the a_V bound is not available in the non-custodial case, similar numbers are expected. In case of a bulk Higgs with $\nu = 0$, there is therefore no longer a strong motivation to introduce custodial symmetry, as the improvement in the bounds is only marginal. From ζ_γ we also obtain a relatively weak bound on the radion mass,

$$\tilde{k} m_\phi > \kappa (221 \text{ GeV})^2. \quad (7.15)$$

Interestingly, the above bounds get relaxed in presence of BKTs.²⁰ The brane and pNGB Higgs cases are similar, we focus on the pNGB Higgs case which is slightly favored. In both custodial and non-custodial cases a region appears where the contributions to S, T are significantly reduced. The allowed 95% CL regions in the plane (r, r') for $\tilde{k} = 3 \text{ TeV}$ are shown in figure 1. We use the a_V constraint when $a_W \approx a_Z$. We also show (dashed lines) how this constraint would apply to a_W, a_Z separately. It appears that the current constraint on a_V , although already stringent for $a_V < 1$, is still subleading on most of the parameter space. We also extrapolate how this limit would evolve for $a_{W,Z} > 0.99$ instead of $a_V > 0.96$. It turns out that such bound would be clearly competitive with respect to the S, T parameters. Finally, it is interesting to notice that the favored regions either feature light KK W_μ or a light KK B_μ , with mass $m_{\mathbf{1}} \approx 0.24 \tilde{k}$ for respectively $r > 0$ and $r' > 0$.

Here we do not discuss in detail the limits from direct LHC searches as they are, by the time of this paper, weaker than the indirect bounds derived above. The most stringent

¹⁹Slightly more optimistic numbers have been obtained recently in ref. [30] for the case of a brane localized Higgs. Note however that these authors quote 99% CL bounds on \tilde{k} and used an older (pre Higgs-discovery) fit for the S, T ellipse.

²⁰For previous attempts of reducing the oblique observables in the presence of BKTs, see refs. [31, 32].

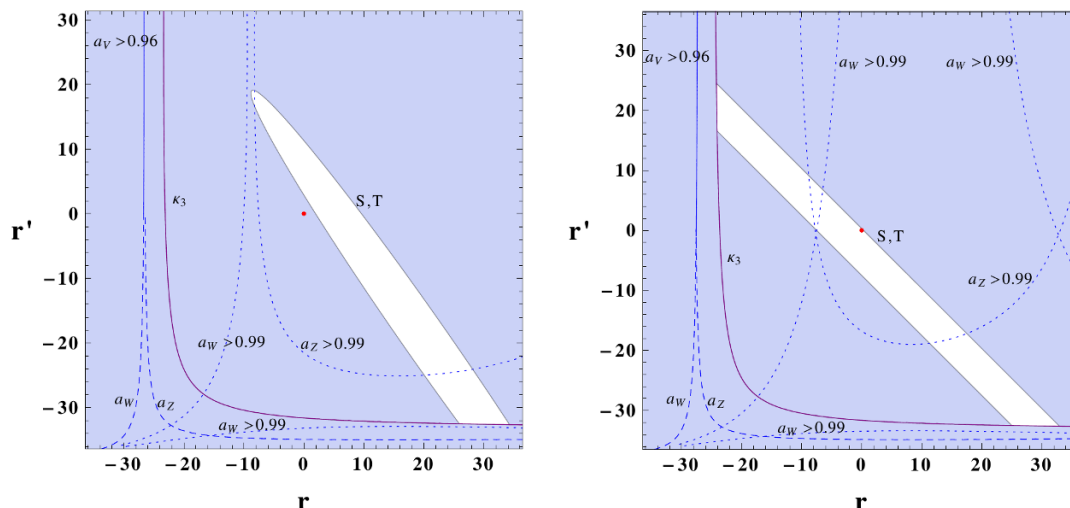


Figure 1. Electroweak, Higgs and gauge precision bounds for $\tilde{k} = 3$ TeV. The regions excluded at 95% CL are shown in blue, the allowed regions are shown in white. The S, T limit is shown in dark blue, the a_V limit is shown in dark blue and in dashed lines when $a_W \neq a_Z$, and the κ_3 limit is shown in purple. Are also displayed extrapolated limits from more stringent constraints $a_{W,Z} > 0.99$, $|\kappa_3| < 0.01$. The red point denotes the case of vanishing brane kinetic terms. Left and right panels respectively correspond to non-custodial and custodial cases for a pNGB Higgs ($\nu = 0$).

current limits result from KK gluons decaying to top pairs, yielding $m_1 > 2$ TeV [38]. Bounds on KK gravitons are much weaker, with $m_2 > 850$ GeV (at $\kappa = 1.0$) for the bulk SM case [39] and $m_2 > 1$ TeV (at $\kappa = 0.1$) for the IR-brane SM case [40]. Direct searches are further disfavored at large κ as the KK gravitons are not narrow resonances anymore, while no such problem affects the effective operators. A recent study of the discovery potential at the LHC can be found in [41]. We remark that the new indirect bounds for vanishing BKTs derived above most likely push the KK resonances beyond the reach of the LHC, unless some mechanism suppresses the coupling of the Higgs field to electroweak KK modes, for instance by modifying the geometry in the IR [33–35], reducing in particular the T parameter in non-custodial models [20, 36, 37]. Another precision observable we do not consider here in detail is the measurement of the $Zb\bar{b}$ vertex. This quantity is sensitive to the details of the model, including the realization of the custodial sector.²¹

8 Probing a warped extra dimension using anomalous gauge couplings

We now consider the anomalous gauge couplings generated from our effective warped extra dimension framework. In a first part we discuss the case of vanishing BKTs. The effect of sizeable BKTs will be discussed afterwards. The leading contributions are summarized in table 3, we now discuss in details its content.

For vanishing BKTs, the contributions from the KK gravitons depend only on the background (here AdS) and on the location of gauge fields. They are enhanced by about

²¹Bounds comparable to the ones from the oblique parameters (i.e. $m_1 \sim 4 - 6$ TeV) can be achieved by localizing the LH bottom quark sufficiently far away from the IR brane [42].

Coupling	Bulk gauge fields		IR gauge fields
	Non-custodial	Custodial	
α_D/Λ^2	$\{0.62, 0.46\}/m_1^2$	$\{0.62, 0.46\}/m_1^2$	~ 0
α'_{D^2}/Λ^2	$\{-6.8, -2.3\}/m_1^2$	$\{0.19, 0.14\}/m_1^2$	~ 0
κ_1	~ 0	~ 0	~ 0
$\kappa_{2,3,4}$	$\{2.88, 0.84\}v^2/m_1^2$	$\{-0.38, 0.28\}v^2/m_1^2$	~ 0
κ_5	$\{2.22, 0.65\}v^2/m_1^2$	$\{-0.29, -0.22\}v^2/m_1^2$	~ 0
$\lambda^{Z,\gamma}$	$(6.8/m_{1/2}^2 - 1.7/m_1^2) \times 10^{-4}$		~ 0
η_1^W	$\{-0.35, -0.20\} \kappa^2 m_W^2/m_2^4$		$-52 \kappa^2 m_W^2/m_2^4$
η_2^W	$\{0.088, 0.049\} \kappa^2 m_W^2/m_2^4$		$13 \kappa^2 m_W^2/m_2^4$
η_1^Z	$\{-0.18, -0.098\} \kappa^2 m_Z^2/m_2^4$		$-26 \kappa^2 m_Z^2/m_2^4$
η_2^Z	$\{0.044, 0.025\} \kappa^2 m_Z^2/m_2^4$		$6.5 \kappa^2 m_Z^2/m_2^4$
ζ_1^γ	$(0.04 \kappa^2/(\tilde{k}^2 m_\phi^2) - 0.2/m_{1/2}^4 - 0.1/m_1^4 - 3.0\kappa^2/m_2^4) \times 10^{-4}$		$-3.3 \kappa^2/m_2^4$
$\zeta_1^{\gamma Z}$	$(0.06/m_{1/2}^4 - 0.08/m_1^4) \times 10^{-4}$		~ 0
ζ_1^Z	$(0.08 \kappa^2/(\tilde{k}^2 m_\phi^2) - 0.07/m_{1/2}^4 - 0.7/m_1^4 - 6.0\kappa^2/m_2^4) \times 10^{-4}$		$-6.5 \kappa^2/m_2^4$
ζ_1^W	$(0.15 \kappa^2/(\tilde{k}^2 m_\phi^2) - 0.2/m_{1/2}^4 - 0.7/m_1^4 - 1.5\kappa^2/m_2^4) \times 10^{-4}$		$-13 \kappa^2/m_2^4$
ζ_2^γ	$(0.4/m_{1/2}^4 + 0.47/m_1^4 + 12 \kappa^2/m_2^4) \times 10^{-4}$		$13 \kappa^2/m_2^4$
$\zeta_2^{\gamma Z}$	$(0.4/m_{1/2}^4 + 2.4/m_1^4) \times 10^{-4}$		~ 0
ζ_2^Z	$(1.4/m_{1/2}^4 + 4.4/m_1^4 + 24 \kappa^2/m_2^4) \times 10^{-4}$		$26 \kappa^2/m_2^4$
ζ_3^Z	$(-0.14/m_{1/2}^4 - 1.5/m_1^4) \times 10^{-4}$		~ 0
ζ_4^Z	$(0.7/m_{1/2}^4 + 2.1/m_1^4) \times 10^{-4}$		~ 0
ζ_2^W	$(1.5/m_{1/2}^4 + 5.7/m_1^4 + 48 \kappa^2/m_2^4) \times 10^{-4}$		$52 \kappa^2/m_2^4$
ζ_3^W	$(-0.3/m_{1/2}^4 - 1.1/m_1^4) \times 10^{-4}$		~ 0
ζ_4^W	$1.3/m_{1/2}^4 \times 10^{-4}$		~ 0

Table 3. Pattern of the leading anomalous gauge couplings induced by an AdS_5 background with vanishing brane kinetic terms, depending on gauge fields location and on the presence of custodial symmetry. The first KK modes are all related to the KK scale \tilde{k} . The first KK gauge field has $m_1 = 2.4\tilde{k}$, the first KK graviton has $m_2 = 3.8\tilde{k}$. The first SM-like fermion KK mode has $m_{1/2} = 2.4\tilde{k}$ if flat or is heavier otherwise. The radion mass $m_\phi \ll \tilde{k}$ is a free parameter. The number in brackets correspond respectively to $\nu = \{\infty, 0\}$, i.e. respectively to a brane localized Higgs and a pNGB Higgs. The nature of the contribution in the table can be read directly from the index of the mass. The loop contributions from exotic KK fermions can be directly added from table 2.

two orders of magnitude in the brane gauge scenario. The contributions from the radion occur only in the bulk gauge scenario because brane localized gauge fields do not couple to the radion at tree level. The contributions from KK gauge fields, KK Higgs, KK fermions only occur in the bulk gauge scenario as these modes are absent in the brane gauge scenario. The KK gauge contributions depend on custodial symmetry. Finally, the KK Higgs contributions are always negligible with respect to loops of other spin. We only show SM-like KK fermion contributions in table 3. They are slightly smaller than the ones from KK gauge fields. Certain fermion KK modes with Neumann-Dirichlet boundary conditions can have a mass $m_{1/2} \ll \tilde{k}$, which would enhance significantly their contribution. This is precisely how the light exotic resonances of composite Higgs models of section 5 appear in the 5d dual description. Their contributions can be added with the help of table 2.

Let us discuss the relative size of the contributions to the HDOs. Consider first the $\mathcal{L}^{(6)}$ Lagrangian. For bulk gauge fields, the \mathcal{O}_{D^2} and \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} contributions are the largest ones in the non-custodial scenario as they are enhanced by a volume factor V . \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} is not enhanced by V in the custodial case (and will actually cancel with \mathcal{O}'_D , \mathcal{O}'_{4f} within the T parameter). The \mathcal{O}_{4f} contribution is suppressed by V and is always subleading. The \mathcal{O}_{D^2} does not feed into anomalous gauge couplings but is relevant for Higgs couplings, as discussed in the previous section. All \mathcal{O}_{FF} operators can only be loop-generated from renormalizable couplings. However \mathcal{O}_{WW} and \mathcal{O}_{BB} do receive tree-level contributions from gravity. These two operators do not contribute to anomalous gauge couplings, but modify Higgs couplings, as discussed in the above section. In contrast, the \mathcal{O}_{WB} operator contributes to anomalous gauge couplings, but does not receive contributions from gravity. As other large contributions are present, we take the computation of \mathcal{O}_{WB} to be beyond the scope of our study, and we choose to neglect it. The dominant contributions to \mathcal{L}^v_{CGC} Lagrangian are therefore \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} in the non custodial and \mathcal{O}_D , \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} in the custodial case. For the $\mathcal{L}^\partial_{CGC}$ Lagrangian, contributions arise only from KK $SU(2)_L$ fermions and KK W loops.

Let us turn to the $\mathcal{L}^{(8)}$ Lagrangian. Contributions to \mathcal{L}^v_{NGC} come only from KK gravitons. For \mathcal{L}^∂ , both KK gravity and KK matter contribute. The radion contribution is small. In the broken phase, it contributes only to the ζ_1 couplings, because it couples only to the trace of energy-momentum tensors. It turns out that tree-level TeV gravity and loop-level EW processes can be of the same order of magnitude depending on κ^2 . Moreover fermion contributions can be large if one of the KK fermion gets light. It is thus necessary to keep all the contributions. It is worth noticing that the contribution from the KK gauge loop to \mathcal{O}_{14} is larger by almost one order of magnitude with respect to the ones of the other HDOs. The contributions discussed above will dominate the anomalous couplings and are thus the ones that can be probed in the first place.

Let us now adopt the point of view of anomalous couplings. We first discuss \mathcal{L}_{CGC} . The charged anomalous gauge couplings $\kappa_{2...5}$ probe the existence of KK gauge modes. In the non custodial case, they are positive, such that one expects a common enhancement of all the cross sections with respect to the SM. In contrast, in the custodial case, they are < 0 , so that a common reduction of the cross-sections is expected. They are constrained at LEP, however the bounds from Higgs and electroweak observables derived in the previous section are far more stringent. Using these bounds, we find that for the bulk gauge fields case, the sensitivity on the κ_i needs to reach few per mil to compete with the existing bounds.

The charged anomalous gauge couplings $\lambda^{Z,\gamma}$ probe the existence of $SU(2)_L$ KK gauge modes and of KK fermions. Although they are loop-generated and thus smaller than the $\kappa_{2\dots 5}$, one expects the deviation induced by the $\lambda^{Z,\gamma}$ to compete with the $\kappa_{2\dots 5}$ in the $v < E < \Lambda$ regime. A naive estimate suggests that the effect of these operators in the total cross-section becomes dominant for $E \approx 4\pi v \approx 3 \text{ TeV}$. However as the effects of this effective coupling grow with the energy, it may be more appropriate to look for deviations in the high- p_T tails of kinematic distributions. The search for these anomalous couplings is particularly appropriate at LHC, which is typically exploring the regime $v < E < \Lambda$.

The $\eta_{1,2}^W$ coupling are sensitive to KK gravitons. Measuring these couplings seems challenging in ATLAS and CMS because of the SM background. On the other hand FP detectors like the ones foreseen for the LHC upgrade may help probe these couplings with a smaller background using proton tagging. The $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow WW)$ cross-section is enhanced in presence of these couplings [43, 44].

Let us turn to \mathcal{L}_{NGC} . In this work we focus on two-photon neutral couplings as they are forbidden in the SM at tree-level. The rare processes induced by the anomalous couplings may be probed with high precision using the AFP detector. The $\eta_{1,2}^Z$ are probing KK gravitons. Contrary to $\eta_{1,2}^W$, there is no tree-level SM background. They may have a good potential both at ATLAS/CMS and using FP detectors. The ζ_1 operators receive various contributions from gravity and matter in case of bulk gauge fields, and are rather small. We limit ourselves to a heavy radion, out of reach from direct detection, in order to keep the EFT valid. Its contribution turns out to be small with respect to gravitons. In case of brane gauge fields, the $\zeta_{1,2}$'s are larger and sensitive to the KK gravitons, while the $\zeta_{3,4}$'s are vanishing.

Overall, the states likely to be discovered by the measurement of anomalous gauge couplings are the KK gauge fields if gauge fields are in the bulk, and the KK gravitons if gauge field are brane-localized. Fermion contributions are somewhat smaller, although they could be enhanced in presence of light KK fermions such as those present in the pNGB Higgs scenarios. Assuming similar sensitivity for $\eta_{1,2}^{Z,W}$ and the ζ_i 's, the latter might be favored as the LHC typically explores the $v < E < \Lambda$ regime.

Let us now consider the case of sizeable BKTs. These BKTs modify the contribution to the $\kappa_{2\dots 5}$ couplings because of the distortion of the gauge propagator. They also modify the gravity contributions to η_i and ζ_i as gravitons can couple to both bulk and brane components. We focus on the pNGB Higgs case. The LEP constraint on $\kappa_3 (\approx \kappa_2)$ becomes relevant, the 95% CL interval translates as

$$0.054 < \kappa_3 < 0.021, \tag{8.1}$$

and the limits are displayed on figure 1. The κ_3 bound from LEP, subleading for vanishing BKTs, becomes relevant for large negative r, r' . In both cases, the a_Z grows large for r' close to $-V$. It turns out that the most favored regions are the ones with a positive r and a negative r' . The favored slices of parameter space (corresponding to $r' \approx 7.44 - 1.30r$ and $1 + \frac{2}{3}(r + r') = 0$ respectively in the non-custodial and custodial cases) are shown in figure 2. Interestingly, these regions with relaxed constraints also have enhanced η_i, ζ_i anomalous couplings.

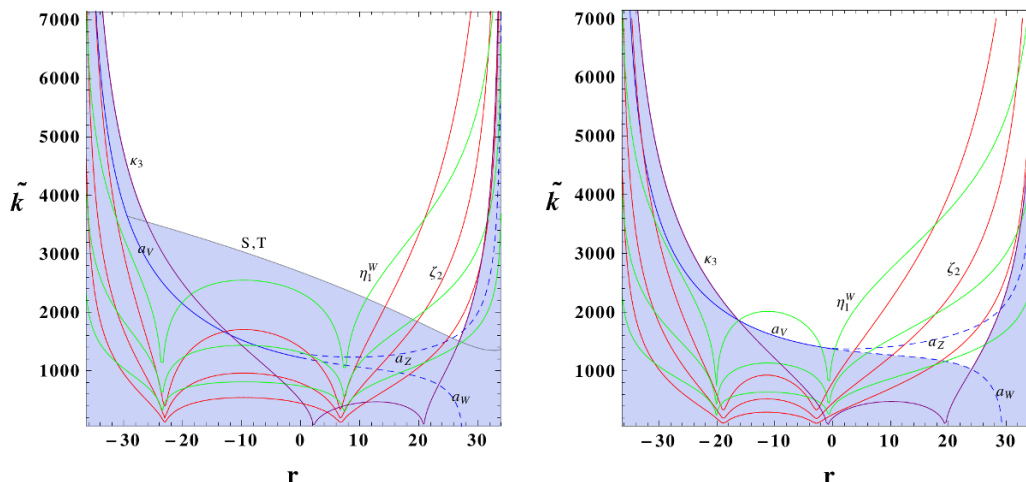


Figure 2. Limits and expected reach in the non-custodial (left) and custodial (right) pNGB Higgs ($\nu = 0$) scenarios. The reach of ζ_2 (red) and η_1^W (green) from KK gravitons with $\kappa = 2$ are shown for sensitivities $\zeta_2^\gamma = (10^{-13}, 10^{-14}, 10^{-15} \text{ GeV}^{-4})$ and $\eta_1^W = (10^{-9}, 10^{-10}, 10^{-11} \text{ GeV}^{-2})$, from bottom to top. Color code for other limits is the same as in figure 1.

The FP detectors provide a good sensitivity to the $\zeta_{1,2}, \eta_1^{W,Z}$ anomalous couplings using proton tagging. The latest simulations from the ATLAS Forward Physics collaboration (AFP) [45] show an expected sensitivity²² on $\zeta_{1,2}$ of order $10^{-13} - 10^{-14} \text{ GeV}^{-4}$ for 300 fb^{-1} . A somewhat older study [44] on η_1^W shows an expected sensitivity of order 10^{-8} GeV^{-2} for a 5σ discovery. We present the reach from such typical sensitivities in the favored region in figure 2. Are displayed the reaches for ζ_2, η_1^W , which are slightly better than the other ones.

Finally, regarding the brane gauge scenario, we find that the expected sensitivities of the FP detectors cited above lead to observe KK gravitons up to

$$m_2 \approx \sqrt{\kappa} 2.4 \text{ TeV} \tag{8.2}$$

for the η_1^W coupling and

$$m_2 \approx \sqrt{\kappa} (2.4 - 4.3) \text{ TeV} \tag{8.3}$$

for the ζ_1 coupling. Recall that κ can be $O(1)$. We conclude that the FP detectors can be used to probe KK gravitons in the multi-TeV range in both brane and bulk scenarios.

9 Conclusion

Anomalous gauge couplings of the Standard Model constitute a rich source of information about the new physics potentially lying above the TeV scale. These anomalous couplings can be consistently described in an effective Lagrangian approach. In this paper we aim at going one step further, by mapping actual theories of new physics onto the effective Lagrangian. We use an effective parametrization of these theories in order to recast classes of new physics models in a unified way.

²²For this sensitivity a small number of events are obtained. However they have a large statistical significance as the background is vanishing.

We first revisit the $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ effective Lagrangian describing the leading contributions to trilinear and quartic anomalous gauge couplings. We consider all charged gauge couplings, and limit ourselves to neutral couplings involving two photons. We derive the Lagrangian in the $U(1)_{em}$ phase, which exhibits the SM anomalous couplings in their form directly usable for phenomenology. We point out that the whole effective Lagrangian can be split into two pieces $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}^v + \mathcal{L}^\partial$, which are respectively dominating in the regimes of observation $E < v$ and $v < E < \Lambda$. The \mathcal{L}^∂ Lagrangian is particularly relevant from the perspective of TeV precision physics.

We observe that \mathcal{L}^∂ is $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ symmetric and that all the one-loop perturbative contributions to \mathcal{L}^∂ are only determined by quantum numbers and masses of the spin 0, 1/2, 1 new physics resonances. We compute these contributions in a model-independent form by means of the heat kernel method. The simplified formulas we provide are easily applicable to any model of new physics, as they only require to know how the heavy sector transform under $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$.

In the framework of composite Higgs, we derive the pattern of expected deviations for typical $SO(N)$ embeddings of the light top partner which constitute the leading contributions to anomalous couplings. We find contributions to be $O(10^{-4}/m_\Psi^4)$ for the fundamental $SO(5)$ embedding ($\mathbf{F}_{2/3}$) and $O(10^{-3}/m_\Psi^4)$ for the symmetric one ($\mathbf{S}_{2/3}$). We discuss how non-perturbative spin-2 and dilaton contributions potentially overwhelm a part of the perturbative loop contributions.

In a second part of this work, we study a generic warped extra dimensional framework with AdS_5 background. By the AdS/CFT correspondence, these theories also provide a 5d weakly coupled description of anomalous gauge couplings induced in the composite Higgs models. We find that the anomalous gauge couplings generated in this framework depend mainly on the localization of gauge fields and of brane kinetic terms. The charged anomalous couplings κ_i also depend on the assumptions of custodial symmetry. We provide the predictions for all charged and neutral anomalous gauge couplings.

We also study in detail the latest bounds from Higgs precision physics and LEP electroweak precision observables on the first KK gauge mode mass and on the radion mass. We find the bounds from Higgs couplings to be already close to compete with those from LEP. For vanishing BKTs, we find KK gauge modes of the RS non custodial scenario to be excluded by S , T below 14.7 and 8.1 TeV at 95% CL for a brane and a pNGB Higgs respectively, and the custodial RS scenario to be excluded below 7.7 and 6.6 TeV at 95% CL for a brane and a pNGB Higgs respectively. All these constraints strongly depend on BKTs, in particular a more favored region appears at negative r' . This region features a sizeable discrepancy between a_W and a_Z in both non-custodial and custodial cases, and light KK W are expected.

For the scenario of brane gauge fields, we find that a manifestation of the KK graviton would be the more likely to be first detected. This would most probably happen through the $\eta_{1,2}$ or the $\zeta_{1,2}$ anomalous couplings. As the latter form part of \mathcal{L}^∂ , they give enhanced cross sections in the $v < E < \Lambda$ regime and are thus particularly relevant for LHC studies. For the scenario of bulk gauge fields, possibly dual to composite Higgs models, we find that the anomalous couplings are most sensitive to the presence of KK gauge modes (i.e. vector

resonances) or of KK gravitons (i.e. spin-2 resonances). The KK gauge modes modify the κ couplings, while the presence of KK gravitons would be revealed through the $\eta_{1,2}$, $\zeta_{1,2}$ couplings as in the brane scenario. The remaining ζ_i and λ would constitute a probe for KK fermions, if a large enough sensitivity was reached.

The future CMS and ATLAS Forward Proton detectors provide ways to probe diphoton anomalous couplings with high sensitivity, and can be used to test these warped extra-dimensional scenarios. We find that such precision measurements are complementary of electroweak and Higgs precision physics. Using sensitivity estimations from the AFP collaboration, we find that KK gravitons can be reached in the multi-TeV mass range in the brane and bulk scenario.

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A The heat kernel coefficients

In this appendix we present details of the evaluation of the effective action defined in eqs. (4.3)–(4.5). This is conveniently done by rotating to Euclidean space and performing an expansion of the trace of the heat kernel

$$\text{tr} e^{-t(-D_E^2 + X + m^2)} = (4\pi t)^{-D/2} e^{-tm^2} \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \int d^D x_E b_{2r}^E(x) t^r \tag{A.1}$$

in powers of t (See ref. [13] for a review). The Gilkey-de Wit coefficients b_n^E depend on the background fields, i.e. the connection and the field-dependent mass matrix X . We are only interested in the UV convergent dimension six and eight operators in a pure Yang-Mills background. In Minkowski space, the final result can be given as

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = (-)^s \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \left(\frac{1}{m^2} b_6 + \frac{1}{m^4} b_8 \right) \tag{A.2}$$

The coefficient b_6^E for Yang-Mills background has been computed in refs. [47, 48] while b_8^E can be found in ref. [49]. Converting to Minkowski space,²³ one finds

$$b_6 = \frac{i}{72} \beta \text{tr} V_{\mu\nu} V_{\nu\lambda} V_{\lambda\mu} \tag{A.3}$$

$$b_8 = \frac{1}{24} \left(\gamma_1 \text{tr} V_{\mu\nu} V_{\nu\rho} V_{\lambda\mu} V_{\rho\lambda} + \gamma_2 \text{tr} V_{\mu\nu} V_{\nu\rho} V_{\rho\lambda} V_{\lambda\mu} + \gamma_3 \text{tr} V_{\mu\nu} V_{\mu\nu} V_{\lambda\rho} V_{\lambda\rho} + \gamma_4 \text{tr} V_{\mu\nu} V_{\lambda\rho} V_{\mu\nu} V_{\lambda\rho} \right) \tag{A.4}$$

²³Useful relations include $x^0 = -ix_E^4$, $x^i = x_E^i$, $S = iS_E$, $\mathcal{L} = -\mathcal{L}_E$, $V^{ij} = -V_E^{ij}$, $V^{0i} = iV_E^{4i}$.

up to terms proportional to the equations of motion, $D_\mu V^{\mu\nu}$ that are not needed for our purposes. The β and γ_i depend on the spin and are given in four dimensions as

$$\beta^{s=0} = 1, \quad \beta^{s=\frac{1}{2}} = 4, \quad \beta^{s=1} = 4 \tag{A.5}$$

$$\gamma_i^{s=0} = \left(\frac{2}{35}, \frac{1}{105}, \frac{17}{210}, \frac{1}{420} \right) \tag{A.6}$$

$$\gamma_i^{s=\frac{1}{2}} = \left(-\frac{104}{35}, -\frac{16}{21}, \frac{76}{105}, \frac{64}{105} \right) \tag{A.7}$$

$$\gamma_i^{s=1} = \left(\frac{344}{35}, \frac{676}{105}, -\frac{302}{105}, -\frac{83}{105} \right) \tag{A.8}$$

For the vector contribution, one has to subtract the ghost and add the Goldstone contributions, which amounts to substituting $\beta^1 \rightarrow \beta^1 - \beta^0$, and $\gamma_i^1 \rightarrow \gamma_i^1 - \gamma_i^0$.

We now specialize to the gauge group $G_{SM} = \text{SU}(2) \times \text{U}(1)$. Labeling the $\text{SU}(2)$ representations by their dimension d and the $\text{U}(1)$ representations by their hypercharge Y , and using the $\text{SU}(2)$ identities

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}_d t^a t^b &= C_d \delta^{ab} \\ \text{tr}_d t^a t^b t^c &= \frac{i}{2} C_d \epsilon^{abc} \\ \text{tr}_d t^a t^b t^c t^d &= A_d (\delta^{ab} \delta^{cd} + \delta^{ad} \delta^{bc}) + B_d \delta^{ac} \delta^{bd} \end{aligned} \tag{A.9}$$

with

$$A_d = \frac{(d^4 - 1)d}{240}, \quad B_d = \frac{(d^2 - 9)(d^2 - 1)d}{240}, \quad C_d = \frac{(d^2 - 1)d}{12}, \tag{A.10}$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} b_6 &= -\frac{\beta}{144} C_d \mathcal{O}_{W^3} \\ b_8 &= \frac{\gamma_3 + \gamma_4}{24} \left[dY^4 \mathcal{O}_8 + A_d \mathcal{O}_9 + (A_d + B_d) \mathcal{O}_{10} + 2Y^2 C_d \mathcal{O}_{11} + 4Y^2 C_d \mathcal{O}_{12} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{\gamma_1 + \gamma_2}{24} \left[dY^4 \mathcal{O}_{13} + 2A_d \mathcal{O}_{14} + B_d \mathcal{O}_{15} + 4Y^2 C_d \mathcal{O}_{16} + 2Y^2 C_d \mathcal{O}_{17} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{\gamma_4}{24} (B_d - A_d) (\mathcal{O}_9 - \mathcal{O}_{10}) + \frac{\gamma_1}{24} (B_d - A_d) (\mathcal{O}_{14} - \mathcal{O}_{15}) \end{aligned} \tag{A.11}$$

B Integrating out a warped extradimension at tree-level

B.1 KK gravity

We briefly review the effect of KK resonances of 5d gravity, see ref. [15] for further details.²⁴

We start with the gauge and Higgs Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{MN} F^{MN} + D^M H^\dagger D_M H - m_H^2 |H|^2. \tag{B.1}$$

²⁴Note that in contrast to ref. [15] we use here the metric with signature $+- - - -$.

The 5d energy-momentum tensor is defined as

$$T_{MN} = 2 \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \gamma^{MN}} - \gamma_{MN} \mathcal{L}. \quad (\text{B.2})$$

where $\gamma_{MN} = \langle g_{MN} \rangle$ is the 5d background metric given in eq. (6.1). It reads

$$\begin{aligned} T_{MN}^{\text{gauge}} &= -F_{MV} F_N^V + \frac{1}{4} \gamma_{MN} F_{PQ} F^{PQ} \\ T_{MN}^{\text{higgs}} &= D_M H^\dagger D_N H + D_N H^\dagger D_M H - \gamma_{MN} (D^P H^\dagger D_P H - m_H^2 |H|^2). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.3})$$

It also contains boundary terms. For our purposes we are only interested in gauge and Higgs zero modes. The zero mode part of the EM tensors is obtained by keeping only

$$A_M = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}} A_\mu^{(0)} + \dots, \quad H = f_H(z) H^{(0)} + \dots \quad (\text{B.4})$$

where the Higgs profile is

$$f_H(z) = z^{2+\nu} \frac{\sqrt{2+2\nu}}{\sqrt{z_1^{2+2\nu} - z_0^{2+2\nu}}}. \quad (\text{B.5})$$

The relevant part of the effective action is given as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{KK-graviton}} &= \frac{1}{4 M^3} \int_{z_0}^{z_1} dz dz' (kz)^{-3} (kz')^{-3} \bar{T}_{\mu\nu}(x, z) G_2(z, z'; -\partial_\mu^2) \bar{T}^{\mu\nu}(x, z') \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2 M^3} \int_{z_0}^{z_1} dz dz' (kz)^{-2} (kz')^{-2} T_{\mu 5}(x, z) G_1(z, z'; -\partial_\mu^2) T_5^\mu(x, z') \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{6 M^3} \int_{z_0}^{z_1} dz dz' (kz)^{-1} (kz')^{-1} \bar{T}_{55}(x, z) G_0(z, z'; -\partial_\mu^2) \bar{T}_{55}(x, z'), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.6})$$

where we have defined

$$\bar{T}_{MN} = T_{MN} - \frac{1}{2} \eta_{MN} T^\rho_\rho, \quad (\text{B.7})$$

and the propagators G_s are defined in appendix A of ref. [15]. Eq. (B.6) is the effective Lagrangian resulting from integrating out the 5d graviton fluctuations in a slice of AdS_5 . Due to the presence of zero modes, this Lagrangian is non-local. One zero mode, the 4d graviton, manifests itself as a pole in G_2 and should be subtracted. The other zero mode, the radion, appears as a pole in G_0 . After stabilization of the extra dimension it acquires a mass and its contribution should be kept. We will take the limit of a light radion, in which there is no effect to leading order besides the non-vanishing mass for the zero mode, which we treat as a free parameter if the theory.

If we are only interested in the zero momentum part of the propagators (no derivatives on the sources) eq. (B.6) can be rewritten more explicitly in terms of the integrated sources

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{\mu\nu}(x, z) &= \int_{z_0}^z dz' (kz')^{-3} \bar{T}_{\mu\nu}(x, z'), \\ \Theta_\mu(x, z) &= \int_{z_0}^z dz' (kz')^{-2} \bar{T}_{\mu 5}(x, z'), \\ \Theta(x, z) &= \int_{z_0}^z dz' (kz')^{-1} \bar{T}_{55}(x, z'). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.8})$$

The effective Lagrangian without the contributinos of the graviton and radion zero modes is then given by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = & \frac{1}{4M^3} \int_{z_0}^{z_1} dz (kz)^3 [\Theta_{\mu\nu}(z) - \Omega_{-2}(z) \Theta_{\mu\nu}(z_1)]^2 \\ & - \frac{1}{2M^3} \left(\int_{z_0}^{z_1} dz kz [\Theta_\mu(z)]^2 - \frac{2k}{\epsilon^{-2} - 1} \left[\int_{z_0}^{z_1} dz kz \Theta_\mu(z) \right]^2 \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{6M^3} \int_{z_0}^{z_1} dz (kz)^{-1} [\Theta(z) - \Omega_2(z) \Theta(z_1)]^2 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.9})$$

with the definition

$$\Omega_p = \frac{z^p - z_0^p}{z_1^p - z_0^p}. \quad (\text{B.10})$$

For the radion, one simply obtains

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\epsilon^2}{3M_{Pl}^2} \frac{1}{m_\phi^2} [\Theta(x, z_1)]^2. \quad (\text{B.11})$$

For reference, we explicitly write down the relevant sources as functions of the (canonically normalized) bosonic zero modes

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{\mu\nu}(x, z) = & \frac{\log(kz)}{V + r_I} \left(-F_{\mu\rho}^I F_{\nu}^{I\rho} + \frac{1}{4} \eta_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma}^I F^{I\rho\sigma} \right) \\ & + \Omega_{2(\nu+1)} \left(D_\mu H^\dagger D_\nu H + D_\nu H^\dagger D_\mu H \right) - 2(1+\nu)(2+\nu) \tilde{k}^2 \frac{z^{2\nu}}{z_1^{2\nu}} \eta_{\mu\nu} |H|^2 \\ \Theta_{\mu\nu}(x, z_1) = & -F_{\mu\rho}^I F_{\nu}^{I\rho} + \frac{1}{4} \eta_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma}^I F^{I\rho\sigma} + D_\mu H^\dagger D_\nu H + D_\nu H^\dagger D_\mu H - m^2 \eta_{\mu\nu} |H|^2 \\ \Theta(x, z_1) = & -\frac{1}{8(V + r_I)} \epsilon^{-2} F_{\rho\sigma}^I F^{I\rho\sigma} + 2\epsilon^{-2} m^2 |H|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.12})$$

Here, $m^2 = 2(1+\nu)[(2+\nu)\tilde{k} + \epsilon m_H^{\text{brane}}] \tilde{k}$ is the effective mass term in the Higgs potential, i.e., the physical Higgs mass (assuming a quartic potential) is $m_h^2 = -2m^2$.

B.2 KK gauge

The general matter-gauge interactions have the form

$$S \supset -g_5 \int d^5x \sqrt{g} A_M^I(x, z) \sum_X \mathcal{J}_X^{M,I}(x, z). \quad (\text{B.13})$$

We need to keep only the zero mode part of the 5d currents,

$$\mathcal{J}_X^\mu(x, z) = (kz)^2 \omega_X(z) J_X^\mu(x) + \dots \quad (\text{B.14})$$

with

$$\omega_H = (kz)^{-3} f_H(z)^2, \quad \omega_f = (kz)^{-4} f_f(z)^2. \quad (\text{B.15})$$

Moreover, as we are only interested in the zero-momentum propagators, it is convenient to define

$$\Omega_X = \int_{z_0}^z dz \omega_X. \quad (\text{B.16})$$

i.e. $\Omega_H = \Omega_{2(\nu+1)}$ and $\Omega_f = \Omega_{1-2c_f}$, where c_f is the fermion localization parameter. For the purpose of this paper we can take the oblique approximation $\Omega_f \approx \Omega_{-\infty} \equiv 1$. The 4d effective Lagrangian is then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = & -\frac{g_5^2}{2} (a_{HH} J_H^W \cdot J_H^W + 2a_{Hf} J_H^W \cdot J_f^W + a_{ff} J_f^W \cdot J_f^W) \\ & -\frac{g_5'^2}{2} (a_{HH} J_H^Y \cdot J_H^Y + 2a_{Hf} J_H^Y \cdot J_f^Y + a_{ff} J_f^Y \cdot J_f^Y) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.17})$$

Notice that we work here with mostly minus signature, while the signature is mostly plus in [20], hence the overall minus sign in eqs. (B.13) and (B.17). The SM gauge bosons have Neumann-Neumann (++) boundary conditions and the corresponding coefficients read:

$$a_{XY} = \int dz \, kz \, (\Omega_X - \Omega_0) (\Omega_Y - \Omega_0) , \quad (++) \text{ gauge field} \quad (\text{B.18})$$

where $\Omega_0(z) = \log(kz)/V$. Finally, the \mathcal{O}_{D^2} , \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} are related to $(J_H^Y)^2$, $(J_H^W)^2$ as

$$(J_H^Y)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{O}_{D^2} + \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} + \frac{1}{4} (|H|^2 H^\dagger D^2 H + h.c.) , \quad (\text{B.19})$$

$$(J_H^W)^2 = \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{O}_{D^2} + \frac{1}{4} (|H|^2 H^\dagger D^2 H + h.c.) . \quad (\text{B.20})$$

In case there are additional gauge bosons from extended bulk gauge sectors one has to apply the expressions for mixed boundary conditions. In this case, the a_{XY} have to be replaced by

$$a_{XY} = \int dz \, kz \, \Omega_X \Omega_Y , \quad (+- \text{ gauge field}) \quad (\text{B.21})$$

$$a_{XY} = \int dz \, kz \, (\Omega_X - 1) (\Omega_Y - 1) , \quad (-+ \text{ gauge field}) \quad (\text{B.22})$$

for the indicated (UV,IR) boundary conditions respectively. We will not need the -- BC case for this paper, but expressions can be found in ref. [20]. Notice that for the custodial case, there is the relation

$$\left(J_H^{W_R^1} \right)^2 + \left(J_H^{W_R^2} \right)^2 = \mathcal{O}_{D^2} - \mathcal{O}'_{D^2} \quad (\text{B.23})$$

Adding brane kinetic terms (BKT) only modifies the ++ contribution a_{XY} (+- (-+) fields do not couple to the IR (UV) brane, while the -+ and +- contributions to a_{XY} are unchanged because the respective propagators are only modified at higher order in the momentum expansion). The necessary modification of a_{XY} turns out to be remarkably simple: One just needs to generalize Ω_0 to

$$\Omega_I = \frac{\log(kz) + r_0^I}{V + r_0^I + r_1^I} , \quad (\text{B.24})$$

in the expression eq. (B.18). This can be shown by carefully including BKTs in the calculation of the momentum-less propagator of ref. [20]. In particular, one can see the limit of infinite UV BKT ($r_0 \rightarrow \infty$) reproduces the -+ result ($\Omega_I = 1$), while for infinite IR BKT ($r_1 \rightarrow \infty$) one finds the +- result ($\Omega_I = 0$).

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