Remembering Ann Nelson

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$$SU(7) \times SU(2) \times SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R \times SU(7)_G$$
$$Q = (7, 1, \bar{3}, 1, 1) \quad \bar{Q} = (\bar{7}, 1, 1, 3, 1)$$
$$q = (7, 2, 1, 1, 1) \quad \bar{u} = (\bar{7}, 1, 1, 1, 1) \quad \bar{d} = (\bar{7}, 1, 1, 1, 1)$$
$$X = (1, 1, \bar{3}, 3, 1) \quad \bar{X} = (1, 1, 3, \bar{3}, 1)$$
$$f = (1, 1, 3, 1, 7) \quad \bar{f} = (1, 1, \bar{3}, 1, \bar{7}) \quad \ell = (1, 2, 1, 1, 1)$$

 $SU(7) \times SU(2)$ is supercolor that breaks SUSY in a hidden sector $SU(7)_G$ contains $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ supercolor theory has a local minimum with broken SUSY and $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$ combines with an SU(3) subgoup of SU(7), leaving an unbroken *R*-color SU(3) that gets strong and communicates SUSY breaking to the standard model $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$



two approximate symmetries, G_1 and G_2

$$\mathcal{L}_0 + \mathcal{L}_1 + \mathcal{L}_2 \tag{1}$$

 \mathcal{L}_0 is the chiral Lagrangian describing a set of Goldstone bosons, including what will become the Higgs multiplet

 \mathcal{L}_1 preserves G_1 and breaks G_2

 \mathcal{L}_2 preserves G_2 and breaks G_1

if G_1 and G_2 each preserve the Goldstone nature of the Higgs, it will remain massless at 1-loop



Composite Higgs Models with a Hidden Sector

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"Despite its success in discovering a Standard Model-like Higgs boson, the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) has yet to provide a satisfying explanation for the mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking (EWSB). To date there is no discovery leading the way to new physics, and many of the popular explanatory frameworks are becoming constrained into finely tuned regions of their parameter spaces. Theoretical development over the last several decades has largely been motivated by criteria of *naturalness* and *parsimony* [1]. While there is a strong logical and historical motivation for this notion of naturalness, there is also an arguably comparable motivation for cautious **skepticism** in our conceptions about parsimony."

Diversity - citizenship CP, flavor, compositeness Chanda Prescod-Weinstein:

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