

# *Domain Walls in extended Higgs Models*

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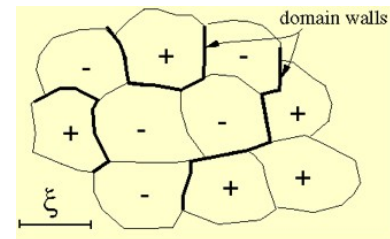
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- 1) Introduction to topological defects
- 2) Results Domain Walls in 2HDM
- 3) Possible Future Directions (Baryogenesis, Gravitational Waves, ...)

# Introduction to topological defects

- Topological defects (domain walls, cosmic strings, monopoles, ...) can arise after a **spontaneous symmetry breaking** of a theory with particular vacuum manifolds.
- After **spontaneous symmetry breaking**, different regions of the universe can get different vacua which are **degenerate** with each other



A theory with the **symmetry group G** **broken** to a **subgroup H**

$$G \longrightarrow H$$

For  $h$  element of unbroken group  $H$  and a vacuum point  $\Phi_0$ :  $h\Phi_0 = \Phi_0$

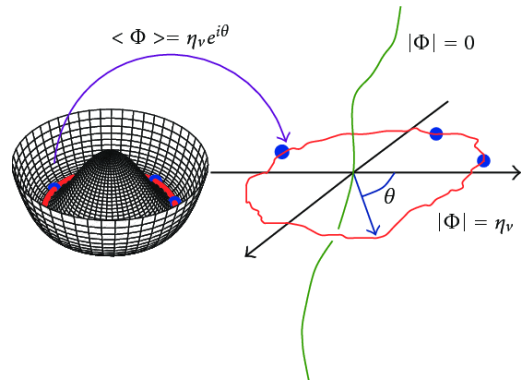
$H$  keeps vacuum points invariant

For  $g$  element of symmetry group  $G$ :  $g\Phi_0 = \Phi'$

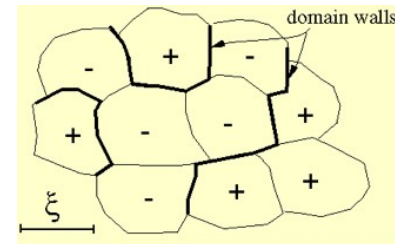
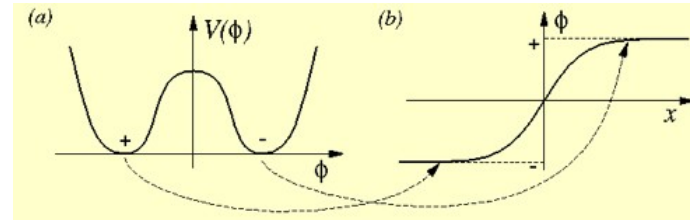
Acting on  $\Phi_0$  with  $G$  generates other degenerate vacuum points

The **space of all cosets  $G/H$**  give the **vacuum manifold of all degenerate vacuas**  $M = G/H$

Defect Type	Homotopy Group	Dimension	Relic Abundance
Domain Walls	$\pi_0(M) \neq 1$ M is disconnected	D=2 <b>Sheets in Space</b>	$t^{-1}$
Cosmic Strings	$\pi_1(M) \neq 1$ M contains non shrinkable circles <b>(Holes)</b>	D=1 <b>Lines in Space</b>	$t^{-2}$
Monopoles	$\pi_2(M) \neq 1$ M contains non shrinkable 2-spheres <b>(Spherical Holes)</b>	D=0 <b>Points in Space</b>	$t^{-1}$



**Cosmic Strings**



**Domain Walls  
from Z2 Symmetry**

# What about the Standard Model ?

$$SU_L(2) \otimes U_Y(1) \longrightarrow U_{em}(1)$$

$$M = SU_L(2) \otimes U_Y(1) / U_{em}(1) \cong SU(2)$$

***The vacuum manifold  
has the same topology  
as  $SU(2)$***

$SU(2)$  has the ***topology*** of a ***3-Sphere***

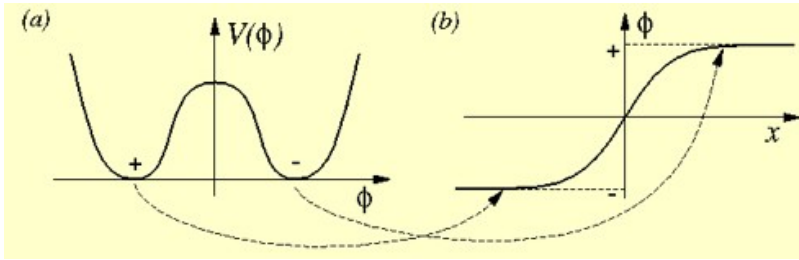
- **M** is **not disconnected** : **NO Domain Walls**
- **M** is **simply connected** (no holes) : **NO Cosmic Strings or Monopoles**
- ***Standard Model can only contain textures  
which are cosmologically harmless***

**Possibility to get topological defects in  
BSM models**

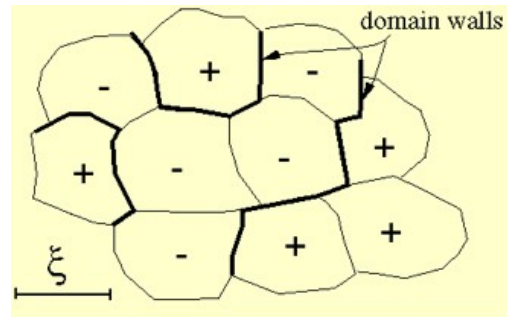
# Domain Walls

Domain Walls occur when a discrete symmetry of the model is spontaneously broken, such as  $Z_2$  symmetry

$$\Phi \rightarrow -\Phi$$



The vacuum manifold contains points which are **disconnected** and **degenerate** in energy.



Regions between the domains are regions with **restored symmetry**.

# Symmetries and Topological Defects of extended Higgs models

$$V = m_{11}^2|\Phi_1|^2 + m_{22}^2|\Phi_2|^2 - m_{12}^2(\Phi_1^\dagger\Phi_2 + h.c.) + \frac{\lambda_1}{2}(\Phi_1^\dagger\Phi_1)^2 + \frac{\lambda_2}{2}(\Phi_2^\dagger\Phi_2)^2 \\ + \lambda_3(\Phi_1^\dagger\Phi_1)(\Phi_2^\dagger\Phi_2) + \lambda_4(\Phi_1^\dagger\Phi_2)(\Phi_2^\dagger\Phi_1) + \frac{\lambda_5}{2}[(\Phi_1^\dagger\Phi_2)^2 + h.c.]$$

Symmetry	$\mu_1^2$	$\mu_2^2$	$m_{12}^2$	$\lambda_1$	$\lambda_2$	$\lambda_3$	$\lambda_4$	$\lambda_5$
$Z_2$	-	-	0	-	-	-	-	Real
$U(1)_{PQ}$	-	-	0	-	-	-	-	0
$SO(3)_{HF}$	-	$\mu_1^2$	0	-	$\lambda_1$	-	$2\lambda_1 - \lambda_3$	0
CP1	-	-	Real	-	-	-	-	Real
CP2	-	$\mu_1^2$	0	-	$\lambda_1$	-	-	-
CP3	-	$\mu_1^2$	0	-	$\lambda_1$	-	-	$2\lambda_1 - \lambda_3 - \lambda_4$

Symmetry	Defect
$Z_2$	Domain Walls
CP1	Domain Walls
CP2	Domain Walls
$U(1)_{pq}$	Cosmic Strings
$SO(3)$	Monopoles

D. Viatic  
PhD thesis  
2020

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thesis 2020

For N2HDM, we add an **extra real scalar** and the theory gets an extra  $Z_2'$  symmetry.

$$+\frac{1}{2}m_S^2\Phi_S^2 + \frac{\lambda_6}{8}\Phi_S^4 + \frac{\lambda_7}{2}(\Phi_1^\dagger\Phi_1)\Phi_S^2 + \frac{\lambda_8}{2}(\Phi_2^\dagger\Phi_2)\Phi_S^2$$

In the following, I focus on  $Z_2$  and  $Z_2'$  symmetries

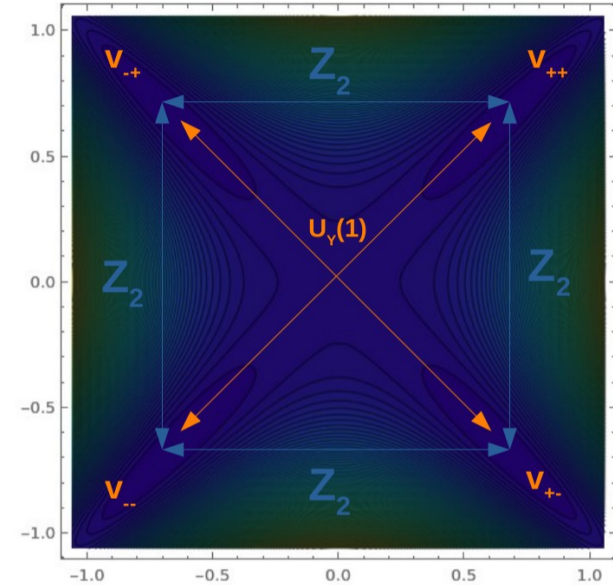
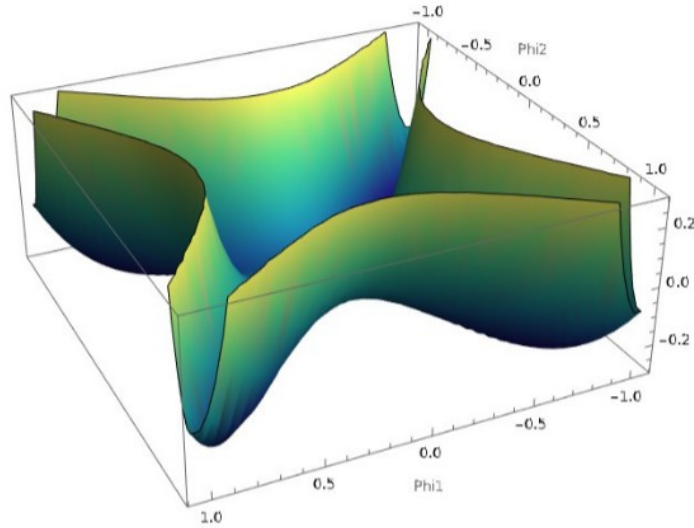
$Z_2$      $\Phi_1 \longrightarrow \Phi_1$      $\Phi_2 \longrightarrow -\Phi_2$

$Z_2'$      $\Phi_S \longrightarrow -\Phi_S$

Full symmetry of the model:

$SU_L(2) \otimes U_Y(1) \otimes Z_2(\otimes Z_2') \longrightarrow U_{em}(1)$   
 $M = SU(2) \otimes Z_2$  **Two disconnected 3-Spheres**

## Example of parameter point in 2HDM for exact $Z_2$ symmetry ( $m_{12}=0$ ):



The **4 minima are degenerate to each other** (they give the same value for the potential). The ones **related by the  $Z_2$  symmetry** lead to formation of domain walls, while those **related by the  $U_V(1)$**  do not lead to domain walls.



# Possible Parametrizations of the Higgs Vacua:

## Linear Parametrization

$$\Phi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 + i\phi_2 \\ \phi_3 + i\phi_4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_5 + i\phi_6 \\ \phi_7 + i\phi_8 \end{pmatrix}$$

Can be rotated using a matrix  
 $U(x) \in SU_L(2) \otimes U_Y(1)$

## Vacuum Parametrization

$$\Phi_1(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_1(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi_2(x) = \begin{pmatrix} v_+(x) \\ v_2(x)e^{i\xi(x)} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$U = e^{i\theta} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\gamma_1) \exp(i\gamma_2) & \sin(\gamma_1) \exp(i\gamma_3) \\ -\sin(\gamma_1) \exp(-i\gamma_3) & \cos(\gamma_1) \exp(-i\gamma_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

Taken from D.Viatic PhD Thesis

### Possible Vacua in the 2HDM/N2HDM:

- Neutral Vacua  $v_+ = 0, \xi = 0$
- CP breaking Vacua  $\xi \neq 0, v_+ = 0$
- Charge breaking Vacua  $v_+ \neq 0$

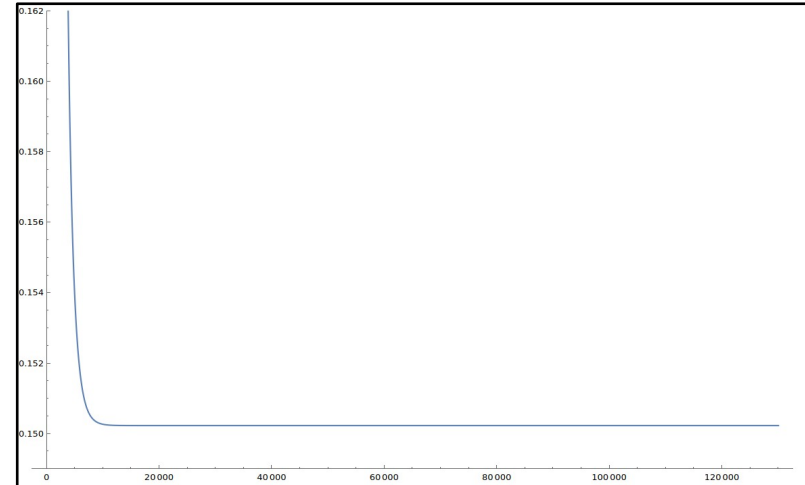
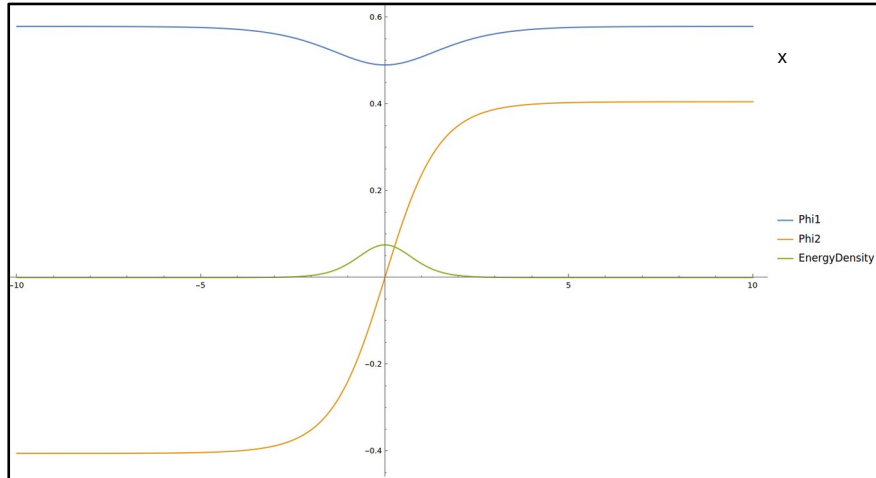
Here we only consider **neutral vacua at the boundaries** and take the general Vacuum Parametrization at each point in  $x$  (**possibility of getting CP and/or Charge violation inside the domain wall**)

- Start with no relative phase between the doublets at + and – infinity boundaries:

$$\Phi_1(-\infty) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \Phi_2(-\infty) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -v_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Phi_1(+\infty) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \Phi_2(+\infty) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial v_1}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial^2 v_1}{\partial x^2} + \mu_1^2 v_1 - \lambda_1 v_1^3 - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_3 v_1 v_+^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_{34} - |\lambda_5| c_{2\xi}) v_1 v_2^2, \\ \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial^2 v_2}{\partial x^2} - v_2 \left( \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \mu_2^2 v_2 - \lambda_2 v_2 (v_2^2 + v_+^2) - \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_{34} - |\lambda_5| c_{2\xi}) v_1^2 v_2, \\ \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial t} &= v_2^2 \frac{\partial^2 \xi}{\partial x^2} + 2v_2 \left( \frac{\partial v_2}{\partial x} \right) \left( \frac{\partial \xi}{\partial x} \right) - \frac{1}{2} |\lambda_5| v_1^2 v_2^2 s_{2\xi}, \\ \frac{\partial v_+}{\partial t} &= \frac{\partial^2 v_+}{\partial x^2} + \mu_2^2 v_+ - \lambda_2 v_+ (v_2^2 + v_+^2) - \frac{1}{2} \lambda_3 v_1^2 v_+. \end{aligned}$$

**Solve numerically using Gradient Flow method**



# CP Violating Domain Walls

- Rotate **one of the vacua at the boundaries** with a Gauge Transformation  $U(x) \in SU_L(2) \otimes U_Y(1)$

$$U = e^{i\theta} \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\gamma_1) \exp(i\gamma_2) & \sin(\gamma_1) \exp(i\gamma_3) \\ -\sin(\gamma_1) \exp(-i\gamma_3) & \cos(\gamma_1) \exp(-i\gamma_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

This is motivated by assumption that all degenerate vacua have same probability to occur at the early universe

$$\Phi_1(-\infty) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \Phi_2(-\infty) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Phi_1(+\infty) = U \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \Phi_2(+\infty) = U \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Still a Neutral Vacuum}$$

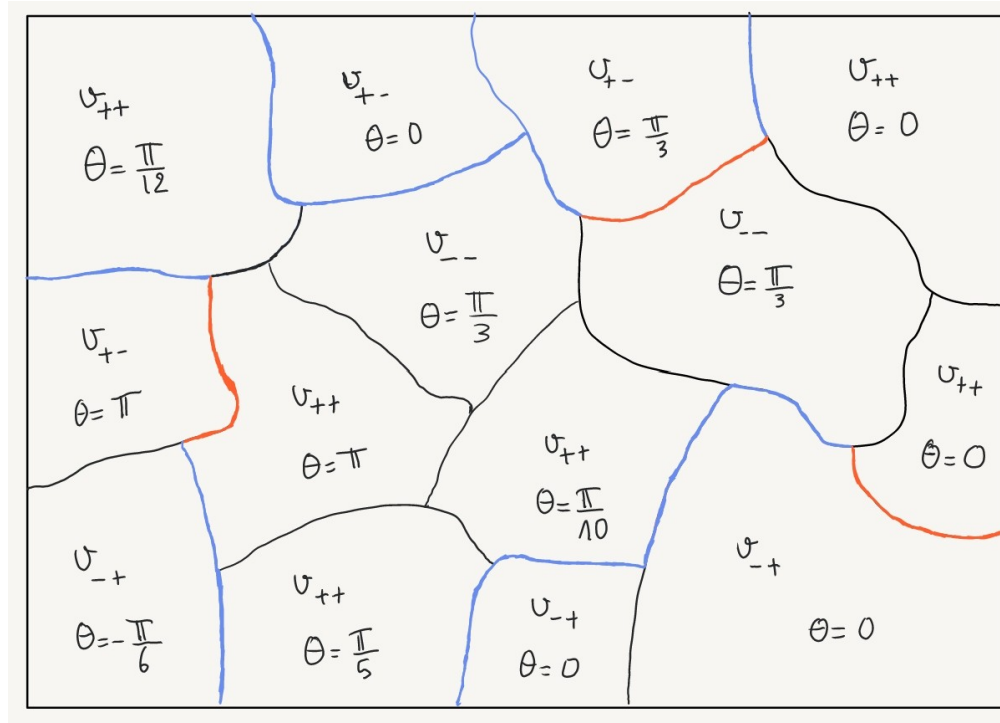
Depending on the vacuum parameter we get:

- For  $\theta \neq 0, 2\pi$  : **CP Violation inside the Domain Wall**

$$\Phi_1(+\infty) = e^{i\theta} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \Phi_2(+\infty) = e^{i\theta} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

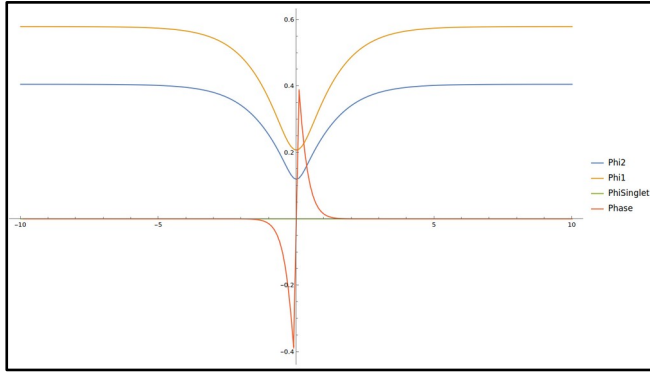
These vacua are **degenerate** but **not identical** (can't remove the phase using a  $U_{em}(1)$  transformation)

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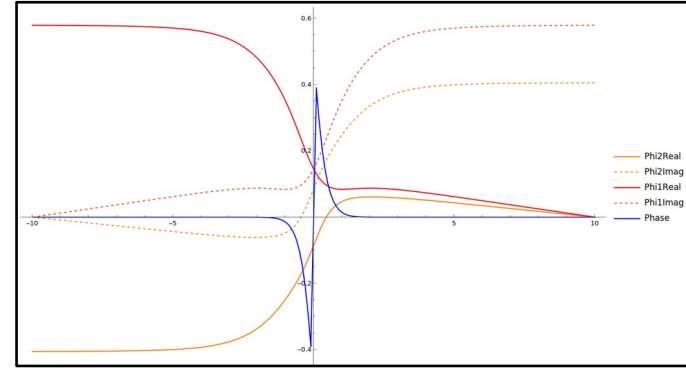


Blue walls contain CP violation, Orange walls are not CP violating.

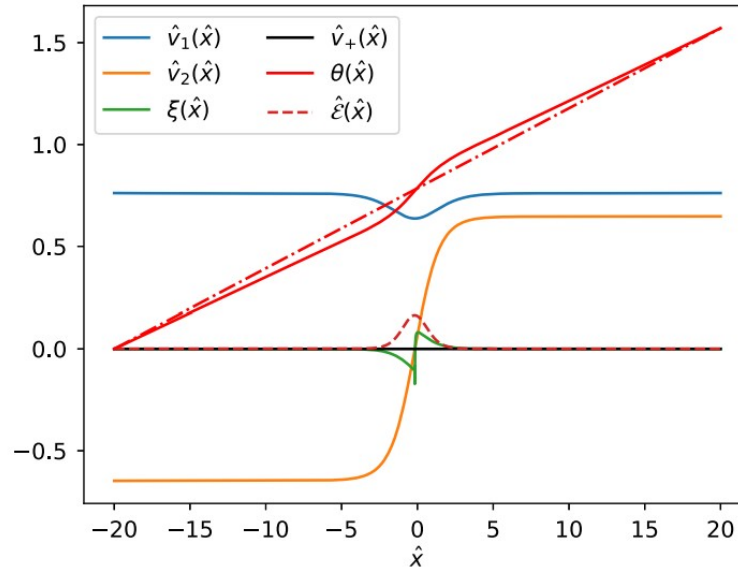
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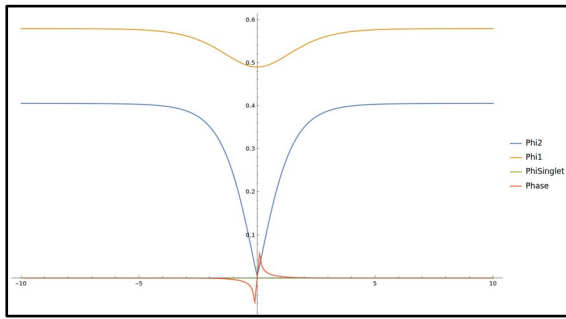
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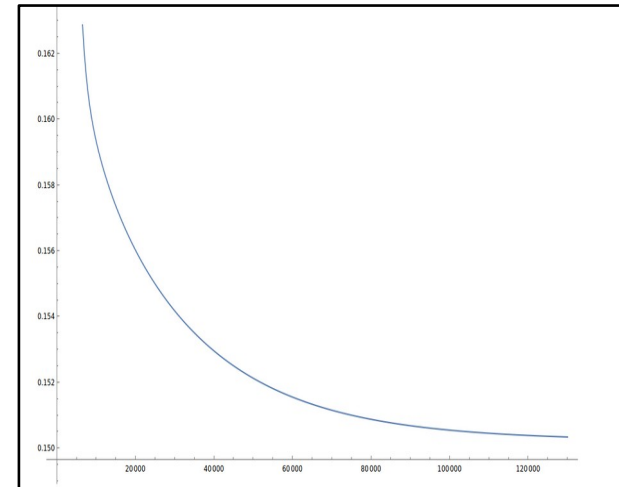
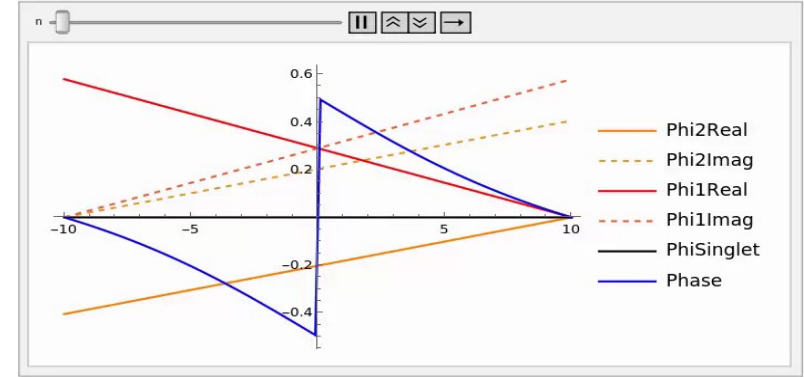
**Tension with results from 2110.12550.** In the **linear parametrization** only possible to get the **absolute value of the fields  $v_1(x)$  and  $v_2(x)$** . Problem with  **$v_2(0) \neq 0$**  in contrast with  **$v_2(0) = 0$**  the case with the **non-linear vacuum parameters representation**.



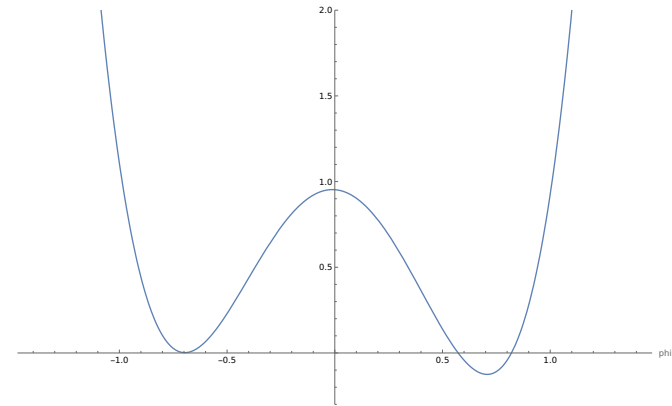
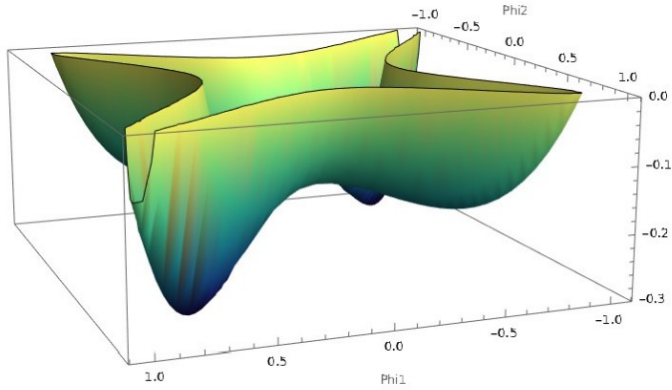
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- This is not a problem when we consider **von Neumann boundary conditions**. The CP violation gets **smaller with time and the value of  $v_2(0)$  gets smaller and eventually becomes 0**.
- The phase between the 2 boundaries **disappears** and the **whole universe gets the same phase  $\theta$** .
- The energy of the domain wall relaxes to the same energy of domain walls between boundaries having the same phase  $\theta$  (**this is the minimal energy solution**).

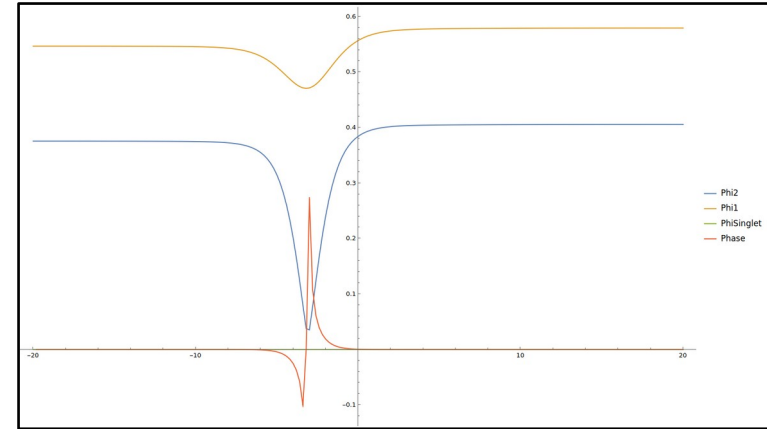


Example of parameter point in 2HDM for slightly soft broken  $Z_2$  symmetry ( $m_{12}$  small):

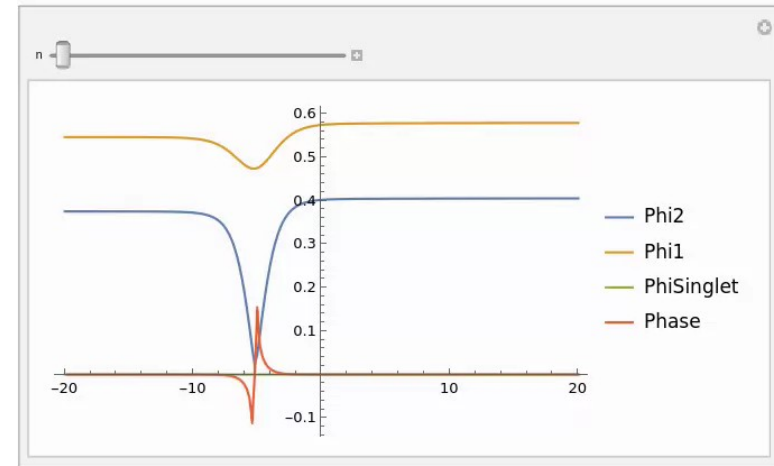


The bias term  $m_{12}$  breaks the  $Z_2$  symmetry and **lifts 2 of the minima.**

- The **potential difference** acts as a **pressure force** that annihilates the domain wall as the domain with lower energy (*true vacuum*) expands in the domain with higher energy (*false vacuum*).



- CP violation** inside the domain wall is **not antisymmetric** and follows the propagation of the domain wall.



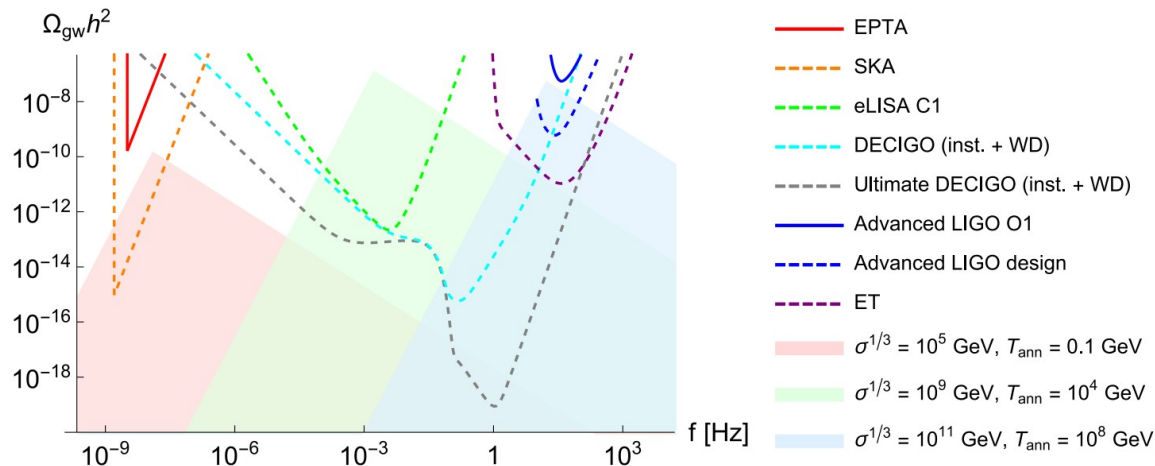


# Gravitational Waves from Collapse of biased Domain Walls

- Signal depends on energy density of the domain wall  $\sigma$  and annihilation time of the domain wall network.

$$\sigma = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \rho_{dw} dx$$

$$\Omega_{\text{gw}} h^2 (t_0)_{\text{peak}} = 7.2 \times 10^{-18} \tilde{\epsilon}_{\text{gw}} \mathcal{A}^2 \left( \frac{g_{*s}(T_{\text{ann}})}{10} \right)^{-4/3} \left( \frac{\sigma}{1 \text{ TeV}^3} \right)^2 \left( \frac{T_{\text{ann}}}{10^{-2} \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-4}$$

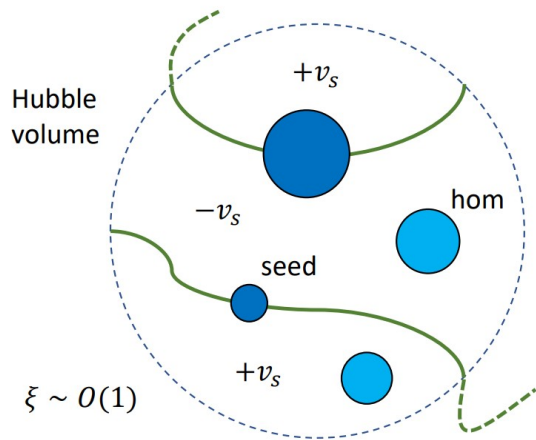


- For 2HDM and N2HDM, the signal is very small for most parameter space. Detectable signal requires a large  $v_s$

$$\sigma_{2HDM}^{1/3} \simeq 10^2 \text{ GeV}$$

# N2HDM Electroweak Symmetry Breaking seeded in Domain Walls

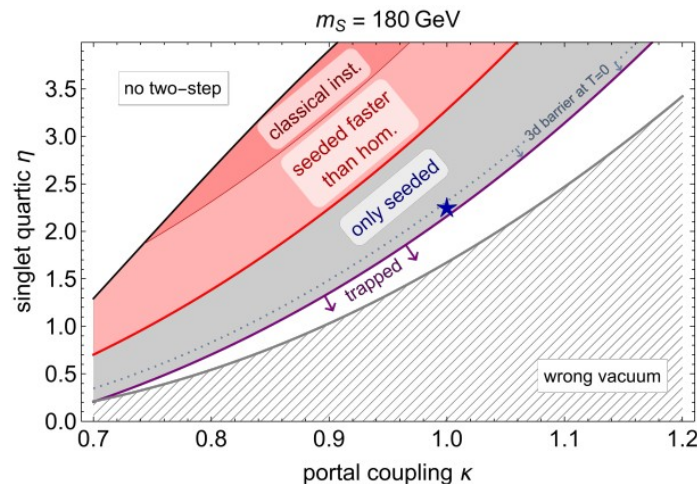
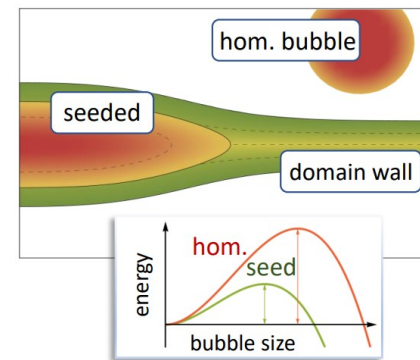
Domain Walls from **singlet  $Z_2$  symmetry breaking** act as **impurities** and **enhance the nucleation of EWSB bubbles**.



Nucleation prob. no longer the same everywhere, enhanced at DW location

- Different nucleation condition:

$$\frac{S_3}{T} \sim 140 \quad \text{vs} \quad \frac{S_{\text{inh}}}{T} \sim 100$$



Figures from Simone Blasi DESY theory Seminar Talk 02.05.22

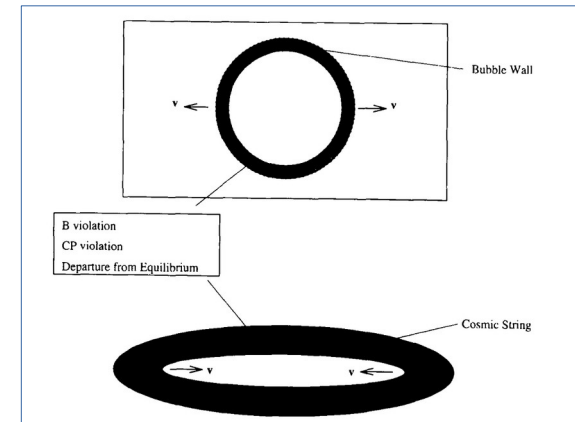
# Baryogenesis with Topological Defects

*Idea discussed in the 90s :*

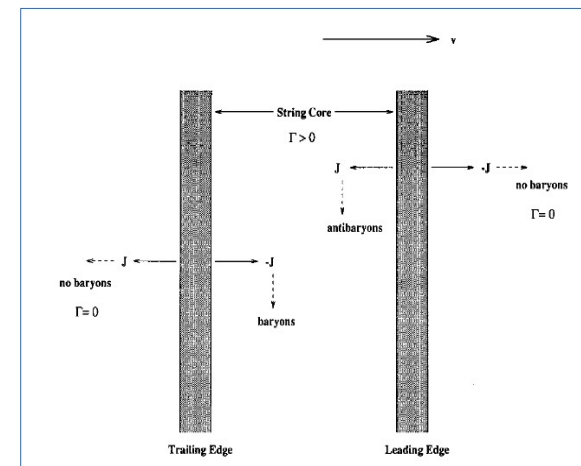
- Local and nonlocal defect-mediated electroweak baryogenesis  
[hep-ph/9409281](#)
- Baryogenesis from Domain Walls in the Next-to-Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model  
[hep-ph/9505241](#)
- Electroweak Baryogenesis with Cosmic Strings ?  
[Hep-ph/9901310](#)
- ...

## Main idea:

- The topological defect acts as the bubble wall.
- Sphalerons are less suppressed inside the topological defect
- CP violation in the defect walls.



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# Main Problems discussed in past papers:

- **Volume suppression factor** due to defect not spanning the whole universe.

$$\Delta n_B = \frac{1}{V} \frac{\Gamma_B}{T} V_{BG} \Delta \theta$$

- Symmetry restoration region not large enough to contain Sphalerons.

$$R_{restoration} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda} v} \quad R_{Sphalerons} \sim \frac{1}{g^2 T}$$

**For N2HDM/2HDM Domain walls  
thickness 5-10 times smaller  
than Sphalerons**

## For cosmic strings

### String-mediated electroweak baryogenesis: A critical analysis

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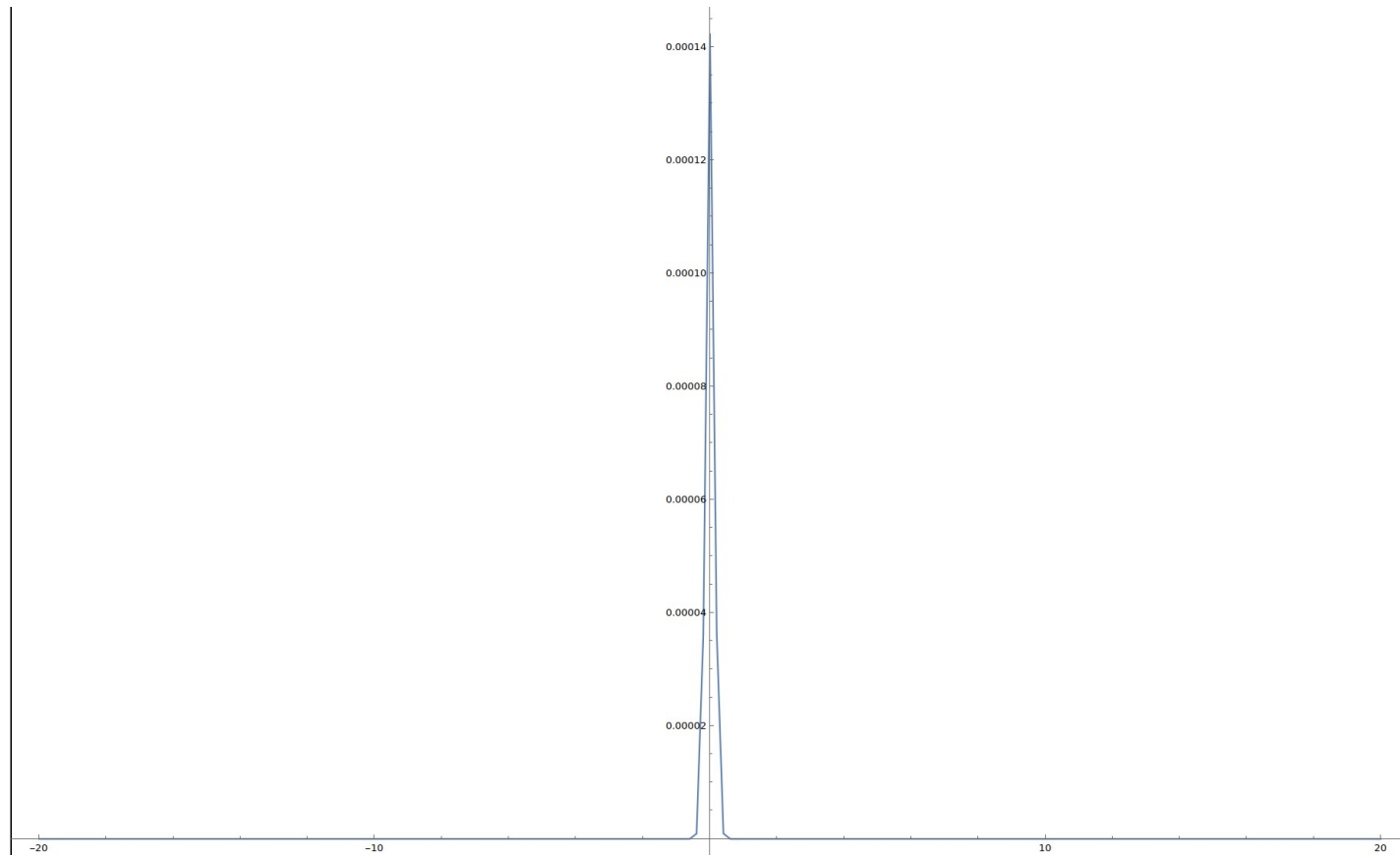
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**Very Suppressed!**

$$\left[ \frac{N_B}{N_\gamma} \right]_{strings} \lesssim 10^{-10} \left[ \frac{N_B}{N_\gamma} \right]_{observed} . \tag{4}$$

That is, the mechanism just studied is incapable of generating a sufficiently large matter-antimatter asymmetry.

**What about Domain Walls ?**



Exponential suppression of sphaleron rate

