Domain Walls in The 2HDM and Their Interactions with Standard Model Fermions

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Introduction to Domain Walls

- Domain walls are a type of topological defects that arise after a spontaneous symmetry breaking (SSB) of a theory with a discrete symmetry.
- After spontenous symmetry breaking, different regions of the universe can fall into different vacua which are degenerate with each other.





The universe gets divided to separate cells after a phase transition. Regions which are causally disconnected fall into random vacua (either positive or negative) $G \longrightarrow H$

SSB of G to subgroup H

The space of all cosets G/H gives the vacuum manifold of all degenerate vacuas

$$M = G/H$$

Fig. from https://www.ctc.cam.ac.uk/outreach/origin s/cosmic_structures_two.php

- The vacuum manifold M of the standard model is a 3-Sphere
- M is not disconnected and does not contain holes : No domain walls or cosmic strings or monopoles in the standard model.
- Beyond standard model physics can have different types of topological defects

But domain walls are problematic in cosmology because their energy "dilutes" slower than matter and radiation and therefore dominates the universe!

$$\rho_{dw} \propto \sigma t^{-1}$$

$$\rho_{matter} \propto a^{-3}$$

$$ho_{rad} \propto a^-$$

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Leads to **strong bounds** on the energy of domain walls allowed $\sigma^{1/3} < 0.93$ MeV (B. Zel'Dovich, I. Y. Kobzarev, L. B. Okun', Soviet Journal of Experimental and Theoretical Physics 40 (1975) 1)

time

Domain walls from **approximate discrete symmetries** get **annihilated** and therefore these models are allowed if the annihilation occurs **before** dominating the energy density of the universe.







Two-Higgs-Doublet Model (2HDM) potential

$$V(\Phi_{1}, \Phi_{2}) = m_{11}^{2} |\Phi_{1}|^{2} + m_{22}^{2} |\Phi_{2}|^{2} - m_{12}(\Phi_{1}^{\dagger}\Phi_{2} + \Phi_{2}^{\dagger}\Phi_{1})$$

+ $\frac{\lambda_{1}}{2} |\Phi_{1}|^{4} + \frac{\lambda_{2}}{2} |\Phi_{2}|^{4} + \lambda_{3} |\Phi_{1}|^{2} |\Phi_{2}|^{2} + \lambda_{4}(\Phi_{1}^{\dagger}\Phi_{2})(\Phi_{2}^{\dagger}\Phi_{1})$
+ $\lambda_{5} \left[(\Phi_{2}^{\dagger}\Phi_{1})^{2} + (\Phi_{2}^{\dagger}\Phi_{1})^{2} \right]$

In the following, focus on Z_2 symmetry (softly broken by m_{12}^2 term)

$${\sf Z}_{\scriptstyle 2}: \ \Phi_1 \longrightarrow \Phi_1$$
 , $\Phi_2 \longrightarrow -\Phi_2$

Full symmetry of the model:

$$SU_L(2) \otimes U_Y(1) \otimes Z_2 \longrightarrow U_{em}(1)$$

 $M = SU(2) \otimes Z_2$ Two disconnected 3-Spheres



In the early universe after SSB, regions that are causally disconnected acquire a random VEV.



Possible vacua in the 2HDM

2HDM has 8 scalar degrees of freedom
$$\Phi_i(x) = U(x)\hat{\Phi}_i(x)$$
 $\hat{\Phi}_1(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\v_1(x) \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\Phi}_2(x) = \begin{pmatrix} v_+(x)\\v_2(x)e^{i\xi(x)} \end{pmatrix}$ $U(x) = e^{i\theta(x)} exp(\frac{ig_i(x)\sigma_i}{2})$ $\hat{\Phi}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\Phi}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\v_2 \end{pmatrix}$ $\hat{\Phi}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\Phi}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\v_2 e^{i\xi} \end{pmatrix}$ $\hat{\Phi}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\v_1 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{\Phi}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} v_+\\v_2 \end{pmatrix}$ Neutral vacuumCP breaking vacuumCharge breaking vacuum

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**)

$$\Phi_1(\pm\infty) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\v_1^0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \Phi_2(\pm\infty) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\\pm v_2^0 \end{pmatrix}$$

How to get domain wall solution ?

1) Choice of vacua at both domains



Electroweak gauge rotated vacua related by Z₂ symmetry will have different types of domain walls!

$$\Phi_{-} = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{1} \end{pmatrix} \Phi_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -v_{2} \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Phi_{+} = \begin{bmatrix} \Phi_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{1} \end{pmatrix}, \Phi_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{2} \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Phi_{+}' = U\Phi_{+}$$

$$\Phi_{+}'' = U'\Phi_{+}$$

U and U' are elements of SU∟(2)xU_Y(1)



2) Minimize the energy functional of the vacuum configuration $\Phi(\mathbf{x})$

$$E = \int dx \ \mathcal{E}(x), \qquad \mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{d\Phi_i}{dx} \frac{d\Phi_i^{\dagger}}{dx} + V(\Phi_1, \Phi_2)$$
$$\Phi_i(x) = U(x)\hat{\Phi}_i(x) \qquad U = e^{i\theta(x)} \exp(\frac{ig_i(x)\sigma_i}{2})$$

$$\mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{d\tilde{\Phi}_{1}^{\dagger}}{dx} \frac{d\tilde{\Phi}_{1}}{dx} + \frac{d\tilde{\Phi}_{2}^{\dagger}}{dx} \frac{d\tilde{\Phi}_{2}}{dx} + \left(\frac{d\tilde{\Phi}_{1,2}^{\dagger}}{dx}U^{\dagger}(x)\frac{dU}{dx}\tilde{\Phi}_{1,2}(x) + \text{h.c}\right) + \tilde{\Phi}_{1,2}^{\dagger}(x)\frac{dU^{\dagger}}{dx}\frac{dU}{dx}\tilde{\Phi}_{1,2}(x) + V_{2HDM}(\Phi_{1}, \Phi_{2})$$

Minimization of E yields the **equation of motion for static fields** (analogous to minimizing the action)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \left(d\phi_n / dx \right)} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial \phi_n} = 0$$

Solve numerically using **Gradient flow method** Richard A. Battye, Gary D. Brawn, Apostolos Pilaftsis (1106.3482) JHEP Richard A. Battye, Apostolos Pilaftsis, Dominic G. Viatic (2006.13273) JHEP Apostolos Pilaftsis, Kai Hong Law (2110.12550), Phys.Rev.D

Simplest case : Standard Domain Walls Solution

$$\Phi_{-} = \left\{ \Phi_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{1} \end{pmatrix} \Phi_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -v_{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\} \qquad \Phi_{+} = \left\{ \Phi_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{1} \end{pmatrix}, \Phi_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\} \qquad U(x) = \text{constant}$$

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To get the domain wall solution, minimize the energy functional of the field configuration:

$$E = \int dx \ \mathcal{E}(x), \qquad \mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{d\Phi_i}{dx} \frac{d\Phi_i^{\dagger}}{dx} + V(\Phi_1, \Phi_2)$$

$$\mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{dv_1}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{dv_2}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{dv_+}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}v_2^2(x)\left(\frac{d\xi}{dx}\right)^2 + V_{2hdm}$$

"Equations of motion" for the vacua:

$$\frac{d^2v_1}{dx^2} - \frac{dV_{2hdm}}{dv_1} = 0 \quad \frac{d^2v_2}{dx^2} - \frac{dV_{2hdm}}{dv_2} = 0 \qquad \frac{d^2v_+}{dx^2} - \frac{dV_{2hdm}}{dv_+} = 0$$
$$v_2^2(x)\frac{d^2\xi}{dx^2} + 2v_2\frac{dv_2}{dx}\frac{d\xi}{dx} - \frac{dV_{2hdm}}{d\xi} = 0$$

 $\hat{v}_i = v_i / v_{sm}$



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Explaining the behavior of $v_1(x)$

Calculate the **effective mass** term for $v_1(x)$:

$$M_{eff1} = \frac{1}{2}m_{11}^2 + \frac{1}{4}\left[(\lambda_3 + \lambda_4)v_2^2(x) + \lambda_3 v_+^2(x) + \lambda_5 v_2^2(x)\cos(2\xi(x))\right]$$



Becomes bigger (less negative) inside the domain wall !



Leads v₁(0) getting a smaller value inside the domain wall

Case when $\theta(x)$ is non-constant :

$$\Phi_{-} = \left\{ \Phi_{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{1} \end{pmatrix} \Phi_{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -v_{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$
$$\Phi_{+}' = \left\{ \Phi_{1} = e^{i\theta} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{1} \end{pmatrix}, \Phi_{2} = e^{i\theta} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v_{2} \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Kinetic part of $\mathcal{E}(\mathbf{x})$ is now dependent on θ : $\mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dv_1}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dv_2}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{dv_+}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} v_2^2(x) \left(\frac{d\xi}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} v_1^2(x) \left(\frac{d\theta}{dx}\right)^2$ $+\frac{1}{2}v_{2}^{2}(x)\left((\frac{d\theta}{dx})^{2}+2\frac{d\theta}{dx}\frac{d\xi}{dx}\right)+\frac{1}{2}v_{+}^{2}(x)(\frac{d\theta}{dx})^{2}+V_{2hdm}(v_{1},v_{2},v_{+},\xi)$



This leads to the **phase** $\xi(x)$ between the two doublets being **non zero inside** the domain wall.

CP violation inside the domain wall

This CP-violation inside the wall is unstable and after some time we end up with the standard domain wall solution

E

 $\times 10^{5}$

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Case when $g_2(x)$ is non-constant :

$$\mathbf{U}(x) = \exp(\frac{ig_2(x)\sigma_2}{2})$$

As an example take

$$g_2(x) = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} 0 \text{ at } -\infty \\ \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ at } +\infty \end{array} \right\}$$



This leads to charge breaking effects and a massive photon <u>inside</u> the domain wall.

Energy of charge breaking vacuum configuration lower than the energy of the standard configuration. Charge violation is stable

Random values for Goldstone and hypercharge modes



Charge violating vacuum inside the wall



CP-violating vacuum inside the wall



Fermion Scattering off Domain Walls (Example for type-2 2HDM for up type quarks)

$$\mathcal{L}_{fermion} = i\bar{Q}_L(\gamma^{\mu}D_{\mu})Q_L + i\bar{u}_R(\gamma^{\mu}D_{\mu})u_R + i\bar{d}_R(\gamma^{\mu}D_{\mu})d_R$$
$$- y_2\bar{Q}_LU(x) \begin{pmatrix} v_+(x)\\ v_2(x)e^{i\xi(x)} \end{pmatrix} u_R - y_1\bar{Q}_LU(x) \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ v_1(x) \end{pmatrix} d_R + h.c$$

$$U = e^{i\theta(x)} exp(\frac{i\gamma_i(x)\sigma_i}{2})$$

Solve the Dirac equation in the background of a scalar field domain wall, the mass terms are then x-dependent!

$$\Phi_1(x) \to U^{-1}(x)\Phi_1(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\v_1(x) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\Phi_2(x) \to U^{-1}(x)\Phi_2(x) = \begin{pmatrix} v_+(x)\\v_2(x)e^{i\xi(x)} \end{pmatrix}$$

But at the cost of having "pure gauge" gauge fields

$$G_{\mu} \to G_{\mu} + \frac{i}{g} U^{-1}(x) \partial_{\mu} U(x)$$

Gauge fields B^µ, W^µ_i living inside the domain walls

Dirac Equations :

$$i\partial d + \frac{i}{2}(\partial_x g_2(x))P_L u - y_d v_1(x)d + y_u v_+(x)P_R u = 0$$

$$i\partial u - \frac{i}{2}(\partial_x g_2(x))P_L d - y_u v_2(x)u + y_u v_+(x)P_L d = 0$$

Charge-Violating case 13

Standard Domain Walls (no CP or Charge violation in the VEV)

Dirac equation: $i\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}u - y_2v_2(x)u = 0$

Take ansatz of a plane wave solution 1.0 $u_{-}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2^r \\ u_3^r \\ u^r \end{pmatrix} e^{ipx} + u_{inc}e^{-ipx} \quad u_{+}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2^r \\ u_3^t \\ u^r \end{pmatrix} e^{-ipx}$ 0.8 0.6 Solve the Dirac 0.4 equation away from 0.4 the wall for x>0 and 0.2 0.2 $\frac{V_i}{V_{sm}}$ x<0 then **match the** 0.0 two solutions in both T+R 0.0 -0.2 regions at x = 0, using 50 100 150 200 0 the **continuity** of the -0.4 Momentum (GeV) -10.0 -7.5 -5.0 -2.5 0.0 2.5 5.0 7.5 10.0 wave function at x=0x · m

$$R = \frac{m^2}{E^2} \qquad T = \frac{p^2}{E^2}$$

Nearly all non relativistic particles get reflected off the domain wall. Particle trapping in pockets of false vacuum regions ? Evolution of light domain walls interacting with dark matter Phys. Rev. D 43, 346 (1990)

Case with CP violation



• Dirac equation can be written as :

In the thin wall approximation :

$$\partial_{\mu}\theta(x) = \Delta\theta\delta(x)$$

$$v_{2}(x)e^{i\xi(x)} \simeq v_{2}(x) + iv_{2}(x)\xi(x)$$

$$= v_{2}(x) + i(\tilde{v}_{2}\delta(x-\epsilon) + \tilde{v}_{2}\delta(x+\epsilon))$$

Presence of delta-distribution leads to **discontinuity** of the **wave function** at **x = 0**

$$\partial_x u(x) = \left[-i\gamma_1 \partial_x \theta(x) (Y_L P_L + Y_R P_R) + i\gamma_1 m_{re}(x) - m_{im}(x)\gamma_1 \gamma_5 \right] u(x) =: \hat{G}(x) u(x)$$

• Matching both solutions at x>0 and x<0 requires integrating the Dirac equation between - ϵ and ϵ $u(\epsilon) = \hat{P} exp\left(\int_{-\epsilon}^{\epsilon} dx'\hat{G}(x')\right)u(-\epsilon)$ $u(\epsilon) = exp\left(-\frac{i\Delta\theta}{2}(Y_L + Y_R)\right)\left(\cosh(a)\hat{\mathbf{1}} - \frac{\sinh(a)}{a}\hat{\mathbf{A}}\right)u(-\epsilon)$

$$\hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2\tilde{v}_{2} & i\frac{\Delta\theta(Y_{R} - Y_{L})}{2} & 0 \\ i\frac{\Delta\theta(Y_{R} - Y_{L})}{2} & 0 & 0 & i\frac{\Delta\theta(Y_{R} - Y_{L})}{2} \\ i\frac{\Delta\theta(Y_{R} - Y_{L})}{2} & 0 & 0 & -2\tilde{v}_{2} \\ 0 & i\frac{\Delta\theta(Y_{R} - Y_{L})}{2} & -2\tilde{v}_{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad a = \sqrt{4\tilde{v}_{2}^{2} - \frac{\Delta\theta^{2}(Y_{R} - Y_{L})^{2}}{4}} \qquad b_{1} = 2\tilde{v}_{2}$$

$$b_{2} = \Delta\theta(Y_{R} - Y_{L}) \qquad 15$$

$$a_1 = 2\tilde{v}_2$$
 $b_2 = \Delta\theta(Y_R - Y_L)$



Transmission and reflection rates for top quarks (m=172 GeV) as a function of b_2 for a fixed momentum.





Right and left handed particles get reflected and transmitted with a different rate!

Case with charge violation $(v_{\downarrow} \neq 0)$



The charge gets carried by the gauge bosons living inside the domain wall

Similar work done for **SU(5)xZ**, **Domain Walls** D.A.Steer, T.Vachaspati [0602130]

Case with charge violation ($v_{\downarrow} \neq 0$)

Take example of charge violation due to $g_2(x)$

$$\Phi_1(x) = \frac{U(x)}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0\\ v_1(x) \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \Phi_2(x) = \frac{U(x)}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v_+(x)\\ v_2(x)e^{i\xi(x)} \end{pmatrix} \qquad U(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(g_2(x)) & \sin(g_2(x))\\ -\sin(g_2(x)) & \cos(g_2(x)) \end{pmatrix}$$

Use a gauge transformation to remove the matrix U(x) from the Yukawa sector

Solve this equation for x far away from the domain wall in both regions $for x>0: \quad \begin{aligned} & i\partial d - y_d v_1 d = 0\\ & i\partial u + y_u v_2 u = 0 \end{aligned} \qquad for x<0: \quad \begin{aligned} & i\partial d - y_d v_1 d = 0\\ & i\partial u - y_u v_2 u = 0 \end{aligned}$ $Rewrite in this form \quad \partial_x \begin{pmatrix} u(x)\\ d(x) \end{pmatrix} = \hat{G}(x) \begin{pmatrix} u(x)\\ d(x) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -iE\gamma_{1\gamma_0} + i\gamma_1 m_u(x) & i\gamma_1 \hat{G}_2(x)\\ i\gamma_1 \hat{G}_1(x) & iE\gamma_1 \gamma_0 + i\gamma_1 m_d(x) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u(x)\\ d(x) \end{pmatrix} \qquad \begin{aligned} & G_1(x) = -\frac{i}{2}(\partial xg_2(x))P_L - y_u v_+(x)P_R,\\ & G_2(x) = \frac{i}{2}(\partial xg_2(x))P_L - y_u v_+(x)P_L. \end{aligned}$ $Matching condition for \\ x>0 and x<0: \quad \begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} u(+\epsilon)\\ d(+\epsilon) \end{pmatrix} = \hat{P} \exp\left(\int_{-\epsilon}^{+\epsilon} dx & \hat{G}(x)\right) \begin{pmatrix} u(-\epsilon)\\ d(-\epsilon) \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} u(+\epsilon)\\ d(-\epsilon) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & M_2\\ M_3 & M_4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u(-\epsilon)\\ d(-\epsilon) \end{pmatrix}$

Distinguish two cases:







- For a fixed v₊, the effect of charge violation is much higher for 3rd generation quarks than 2nd or 1st generation quarks!
- For a fixed Δg_2 , the effect is mostly similar for all generations.

Electroweak Symmetry Restoration in the N2HDM

The electroweak symmetry can be restored inside Inside the domain wall of the singlet.



Conclusions and Outlook

- Due to breaking SU(2)xU(1) symmetry <u>at the same time with</u> the Z₂ symmetry, the domain walls in the 2HDM can have CP and Charge violation inside the wall.
- SM Fermion scattering off the domain walls can break charge and CP.
- Possible future directions include :
- 1) Electroweak Baryogenesis using the domain walls.
- 2) Fermionic bound states on the walls.
- **3) Using charge violation** inside the domain wall to **constrain** the model.
- 4) Probing gravitational wave spectrum from the annihilation of the different types of domain walls.



Backup

For $m_{12} \neq 0$, the Z_2 symmetry is then approximate and we get asymmetric domain walls:





From the differential equation of $\theta(x)$ one can derive:



From the differential equation of $g_2(x)$ one can derive:

Variation in g₂ across the wall leads to <u>charge violating</u> <u>vacuum inside the wall</u>. $m_c = 400 \text{ GeV}$

m_H = 800 GeV



Dependance of the maximal charge violating vacuum inside the wall v₊(0) on the mass parameters. No dependance on the mass of the CP-odd Higgs mass was found!







 $x \cdot m_{h}$

 $\hat{v}_{2}(m_{H}=80 \text{GeV})$

 $\hat{v}_{2}(m_{\mu}=180 \text{GeV})$

 $\hat{v}_2(m_H = 280 \text{GeV})$

 $\hat{v}_2(m_H = 380 \text{GeV})$

 $\hat{v}_2(m_{\mu}=480 \text{GeV})$

 $\hat{v}_2(m_{\mu}=580 \text{GeV})$

2.5 5.0 7.5 10.0





(d) Dependence of M_+ on m_H . (e) Dependence of \hat{M}_+ on m_A . (f) Dependence of \hat{M}_1 on m_A .



$$M_{+}(x) = \frac{1}{2}m_{22} + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{2}v_{2}^{2}(x) + \lambda_{3}v_{1}^{2}(x))$$

Dependence of the **charged effective mass** $M_+(0)$ inside the domain wall on the masses m_c and m_H . **Negative values** lead to the possibility of generating a charged vacuum inside the wall. Example for simplified case where only $\theta(x)$ is non constant :

$$U(x) = e^{i\theta(x)}$$

$$\mathcal{E}(x) = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{dv_1}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{dv_2}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{dv_+}{dx}\right)^2 + v_2^2\left(\frac{d\xi}{dx}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{d\theta}{dx}\right)^2\left(v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_+^2\right) + v_2^2\frac{d\theta}{dx}\frac{d\xi}{dx} + V(v_1, v_2, v_+, \xi)$$

Leads to the equations of motion:

 $\frac{d^2v_1}{dx^2} - \left(\frac{d\theta}{dx}\right)^2 v_1 - \frac{dV}{dv_1} = 0$ Solve numerically using Gradient flow method Richard A. Battye, Gary D. Brawn, $\frac{d^2v_2}{dx^2} - v_2\left(\frac{d\xi}{dx} + \frac{d\theta}{dx}\right)^2 - \frac{dV}{dv_2} = 0$ Apostolos Pilaftsis (1106.3482) JHEP **Richard A. Battye, Apostolos Pilaftsis, Dominic G. Viatic** $\frac{d^2v_+}{dx^2} - v_+ (\frac{d\theta}{dx})^2 - \frac{dV}{dy_+} = 0$ (2006.13273) JHEP $v_2^2 \frac{d^2\xi}{dx^2} + v_2^2 \frac{d^2\theta}{dx^2} + 2v_2 \frac{dv_2}{dx} \frac{d\xi}{dx} + 2v_2 \frac{dv_2}{dx} \frac{d\theta}{dx} - \frac{dV}{d\xi} = 0$ $(v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_+^2)\frac{d^2\theta}{dx^2} + 2\frac{d\theta}{dx}(v_1\frac{dv_1}{dx} + v_2\frac{dv_2}{dx} + v_+\frac{dv_+}{dx}) + v_2^2\frac{d^2\xi}{dx^2} + 2v_2\frac{dv_2}{dx}\frac{d\xi}{dx} = 0$

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:

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





Main Problems discussed in past papers:

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

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

• Symmetry restoration region not large enough to contain Sphalerons.

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

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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Very Suppressed!

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

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

What about Domain Walls ?

Calculation of sphaleron rate in 2+1 dimensions inside the walls ?

This was already done for the case of SM extended with a singlet scalar

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



Different nucleation condition:

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

hom. bubble seeded domain wall

Figures from Simone Blasi DESY theory Seminar Talk 02.05.22

More informations in **Domain walls seeding the electroweak phase transition arXiv:2203.16450** (Simone Blasi and Alberto Mariotti)