



ALP-Assisted Electroweak Phase Transition and Baryogenesis

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Part of the final results. White spaces are allowed.



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Matter-Antimatter Asymmetry: Baryogenesis Problem

- matter > anti-matter
- Define $n_B = n_{\text{baryon}} n_{\text{anti-baryon}}$ • $\frac{n_B}{s} \simeq 9 \times 10^{-11}$
- What's the origin?





Sakharov Condition

Baryon number violation

SM: sphaleron process. Violates B + L but keeps B - L.

• C and CP violation

SM: CKM (too small), or UV scale new physics, model dependent. (Not the main focus today.)

• Out of thermal equilibrium

SM: a strong 1st-order electroweak phase transition (need BSM!)

[Sakharov, 1967]



EWPT: 1st order vs 2nd order



2nd order: smooth crossover.

Figure from: [J Cline: hep-ph/0609145]



Electroweak baryogenesis from 1st-order EWPT



Phase Transition Strength

• Finite-T: thermal correction to the effective potential V.

Boson contribution: $\frac{T^4}{2\pi^2} n_B (\frac{\pi^2}{12} (\frac{m}{T})^2 - \frac{\pi}{6} (\frac{m}{T})^3 + \dots),$ n_{R} : degree of freedom • Fermion contribution: $\frac{T^4}{2\pi^2}n_F(\frac{\pi^2}{24}(\frac{m}{T})^2 + ...), n_F$: degree $T=T_c$ of freedom. $T < T_c$ Total: $V = DT^2h^2 - \frac{1}{2}\mu^2h^2 - ETh^3 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda h^4$, cubic from bosons [K. Jansen, hep-lat/9509018], [K. Kajantie et al, hep-lat/9510020] [K. Rummukainen, hep-lat/9608079], [K. Kajantie et al, hep-ph/ $\frac{v(T_c)}{T} = \frac{2E}{\lambda}$. SM: 0.2! (Lattice confirmed.) 9605288.1 [M. Gurtler et al, hep-lat/9704013], [F. Csikor et al, hep-ph/9809291] [M. Laine and K. Rummukainen, hep-ph/9804255, hep-lat/9804019]

Only for intuition. Needs full form to compute!

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[K. Rummukainen et al, hep-lat/9805013], [Z.Fodor, hep-lat/9909162]

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A simple solution: extra singlet scalar

• Introduce S: (1,1,0) singlet

• General:
$$\mathscr{L} = SM + \frac{1}{2}\mu_S^2S^2 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda_SS^4 + other interactions$$

- Only interact with Higgs: SSHH, S^4 , S^3 , SHH...., depending on the symmetry
- Probe: mixing with Higgs, $\sin \theta$.

What are the current constraints/status?

 $\frac{v(T_c)}{T_c} = \frac{2E}{\lambda}$

Experimental bound



Extra hierarchy problem

The SM electroweak hierarchy problem

f H $\delta m_H^2 = -\frac{y_f^2}{8\pi^2}\Lambda_{\rm UV}^2$

Quadratic sensitive to $\Lambda_{\rm UV}$: Huge quantum corrections!
$$\delta m_S^2 = \frac{\lambda_{hs}}{16\pi^2} \Lambda_{\rm UV}^2$$

Typical singlet scalar model introduced extra hierarchy problem!

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Some traditional solutions: SUSY, compositeness....

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Axion-like Particles (ALP) Couples with Higgs

ALP S: angular mode of $P = (f + \Phi)^2 \exp(iS/f)$

pNGB. Weakly interacting. Naturally light.

$$V(H,S) = -(\mu_H^2 - Af\cos\delta)|H|^2 + \lambda|H|^4 + \mu_S^2 f^2 \left(1 - \cos\left(\frac{S}{f}\right)\right) - Af\left(|H|^2 - v^2\right)\cos\left(\frac{S}{f} - \delta\right),$$



$$\begin{split} A &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}v} (m_h^2 - m_S^2) \sin(2\theta) \csc(\delta), \\ \lambda &= \frac{1}{8v^2} \left(m_h^2 + m_S^2 + (m_h^2 - m_S^2) \cos(2\theta) \right), \\ \mu_H^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \left(m_h^2 + m_S^2 + (m_h^2 - m_S^2) \cos(2\theta) \right), \\ \mu_S^2 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(m_h^2 + m_S^2 - (m_h^2 - m_S^2) \cos(2\theta) \right). \end{split}$$

EW scale vev:
$$\langle h \rangle = v, \langle S \rangle = 0$$

Periodic in *S*.

[K. Harigaya and IRW, 2309.00587]



Generate Barrier at Tree Level

A barrier is generated at the tree level along the path $\partial V/\partial S = 0$

$$\begin{split} S &= \frac{Af(h^2 - 2v^2)\sin\delta}{2f\mu_S^2 + A(h^2 - 2v^2)\cos\delta} \\ &\simeq \frac{Afv^2\sin\delta}{Av^2\cos\delta - f\mu_S^2} + \frac{Af^2\mu_S^2\sin\delta}{2(Av^2\cos\delta - f\mu_S^2)^2}h^2 + \frac{A^2f^2\mu_S^2\sin\delta\cos\delta}{4(Av^2\cos\delta - f\mu_S^2)^3}h^4 + O(h^6). \end{split}$$

Higgs Quartic term becomes: $\frac{1}{4}(\lambda - \frac{A^2f^3\mu_S^4\sin^2\delta}{2(\mu_S^2f - Av^2\cos\delta)^3})h^4. \end{split}$

Quartic becomes negative for viable parameter region where SFOPT is achieved! Bounded from below condition protected by a positive $O(h^6)$ term! Extra contribution to the barrier at the tree level.

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Thermal phase transition

High-T limit, large f limit.

At high-
$$T: \langle h \rangle = 0$$
, restored symmetry! $V_{\text{highT}} = -\frac{1}{2}(\mu_H^2 - Af\cos\delta)h^2 + D_{\text{SM}}T^2h^2 - E_{\text{SM}}Th^3 + \frac{1}{4}\lambda h^4$
At low- $T: \langle h \rangle = v(T)$
 $-\frac{1}{2}Af\cos\left(\frac{S}{f} - \delta\right)\left(h^2 - 2v^2 + \frac{1}{3}T^2\right)$
High- f limit and high- T expansion: $\langle S \rangle = \frac{A}{2\mu_S^2}(h^2 - v^2)$
 $f_c \equiv \frac{A}{\mu_S^2}v^2\sin\delta$,
 $f_c \equiv \frac{A}{\mu_S^2}v^2\sin\delta$,
 I -step PT: $(0,\langle S \rangle(0,T)) \rightarrow (v(T),\langle S \rangle(v(T),T))$
Again. For a quick look, not for careful computation!

Parametrize: $f \equiv cf_c$

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Full Effective Potential Computation

$$V_{\text{eff}} = V_0 + V_{\text{CW}} + V_{\text{FT}}$$

$$V_{\text{CW}} = \frac{1}{64\pi^2} \left(\sum_B n_B \left(\log \left(\frac{m_B^2(h, S)}{Q^2} \right) - c_B \right) - \sum_F n_F \left(\log \left(\frac{m_F^2(h, S)}{Q^2} \right) - c_F \right) \right)$$

$$V_{\text{FT}} = \frac{T^4}{2\pi^2} \left(\sum_B n_B J_B \left(\frac{m_B^2(h, S)}{T^2} \right) + \sum_F n_F J_F \left(\frac{m_F^2(h, S)}{T^2} \right) \right),$$

$$J_{B,F}(x^2) = \pm \int_0^\infty dy \ y^2 \log \left(1 \mp \exp \left(-\sqrt{y^2 + x^2} \right) \right).$$

Resummation: all boson masses replaced by thermal mass: $m^2 \rightarrow m^2 + \Pi$, $\Pi \sim g^2 T^2$

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Results



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Collider Signals

S can mix with *h*, mixing angle $\sin \theta$. Generating vertex: $hZZ \rightarrow \sin \theta SZZ$ $h^3 \rightarrow \sin \theta hhS$, $\sin^2 \theta hSS$

General probe:

- scalar production: $SM \rightarrow S + SM$
- Higgs exotic decay: $h \rightarrow SS$

Collider search can probe the extra singlet scalar at GeV scale



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Rare Meson Decay and ΔN_{eff}

- Extra decay channel for *B* meson:
- $B^0 \rightarrow K^0 S, B^+ \rightarrow K^+ S$, searched by LHCb at 200 MeV < m_S < 4 GeV
- Extra decay channel for Kaon:
- $K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ S, K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 S$, searched by NA62, KLEVER.... for MeV scale.
- MeV scale m_S : large energy density when neutrino decouples.
- *S* decays into γ : negative $\Delta N_{\rm eff}$

Review: [PBC Group, 1901.09966], [E. Goudzovski et al, 2201.07805] [LHCb Collaboration, 1508.04094, 1612.07818, 1703.08501] [NA62 Collaboration, 2010.07644, 2103.15389] [KLEVER Project Collaboration, 1901.03099] [M. Ibe et al, 2112.11096], [Planck Collaboration, 1807.06209] [CMB-S4 Collaboration, 1610.02743],[K. Harigaya and IRW, 2309.00587]

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Local EW

$$\begin{split} & \overline{\partial_{\mu}J_{\mu}^{B}} = \partial_{\mu}J_{\mu}^{L} = \frac{3g^{2}}{32\pi^{2}}W\tilde{W} \\ & \text{A general effective CP-violating operator: } \mathscr{L} = \frac{\alpha_{2}}{8\pi}\frac{S}{M}W\tilde{W}, \frac{\partial_{\mu}S}{M}q^{\dagger}\bar{\sigma}^{\mu}q, \text{ or } \frac{\partial_{\mu}S}{M}\ell^{\dagger}\bar{\sigma}^{\mu}\ell, M: \text{UV scale.} \\ & \text{CP-violation comes from } W\tilde{W} \text{ or } f^{\dagger}\bar{\sigma}f! \text{ This operator itself is CP-violating.} \\ & \text{Rewrite: } \mathscr{L}_{CP} \propto \frac{1}{M}(\partial_{0}S)n_{B} \text{ in thick-wall regime!} \\ & \text{From minimizing free energy, } n_{B} \text{ gets a minimum } n_{B}^{0} \propto \frac{1}{M}(\partial_{0}S)\langle S \rangle \simeq \frac{A}{2\mu_{S}^{2}}h^{2} \\ & \text{Thus } \dot{n}_{B} \propto \frac{\Gamma_{\text{sph}}}{T^{3}}(n_{B} - n_{B}^{0}) \simeq \frac{\Gamma_{\text{sph}}}{T^{3}}n_{B}^{0} = \frac{\Gamma_{\text{sph}}}{T^{3}}|\tilde{S}| \text{ Large field-} \text{ For old literature using } \mathscr{L}_{CP} \propto \frac{\sin(\delta)}{M^{2}}h^{2}W\bar{W}. \\ & \text{(A Cohen and B. Kaplan, Phys.Lett.B 199 (1987) 251-258,} \\ & \frac{n_{B}}{s} \simeq \frac{3\Gamma_{\text{ws}}T^{2}\Delta S}{Ms}, \qquad \text{BAU properly produced for } M \gtrsim f \end{split}$$

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The electric dipole moment



when M consistent with n_B :

EDM around $10^{-32} - 10^{-30}$ for GeV scale m_S , can be probed by future experiments.

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Conclusion

- Baryon number asymmetry remains unsolved. SM EWBG fails due to lack of a SFOPT at the EW scale.
- We propose an ALP to enhance the EWPT strength.
- Successful baryogenesis can be achieved via the local baryogenesis mechanism.
- Various experiments can be applied to probe the parameter space.



Backups



SM EWPT strength with lighter Higgs



[P. Arnold, O. Espinosa, hep-ph/9212235] [K. Harigaya and IRW, 2309.00587]

