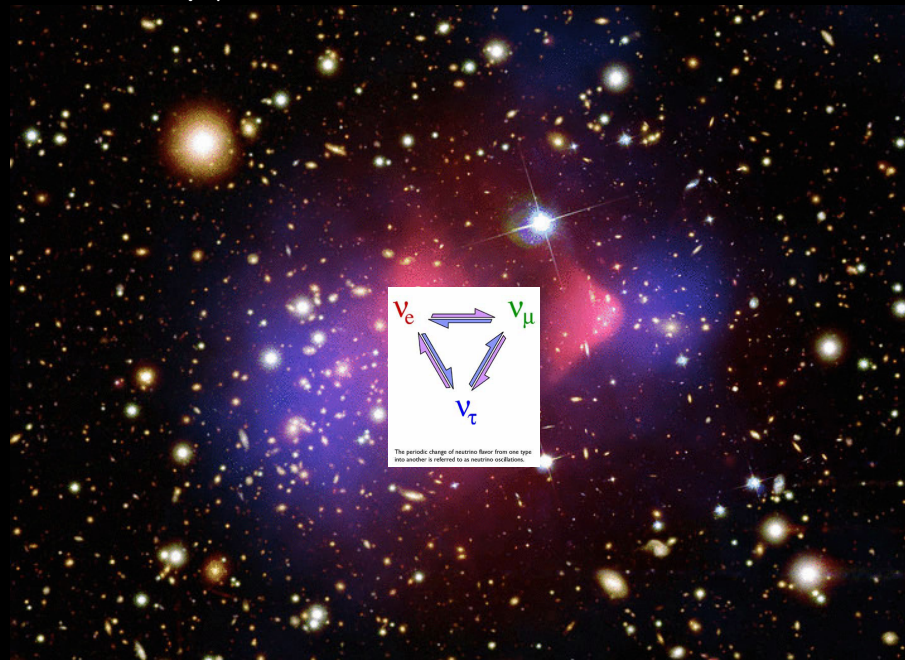


Unified Scenario for Composite Right-handed Neutrinos and Dark Matter

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Introduction

- Standard Model (SM): a great success, yet incomplete:

(1) Dark matter (DM)

- $\Omega_{\text{DM}} \sim 0.27$, strong evidence from cosmology and astrophysics: CMB, BBN, rotation curves of galaxies, lensing, Bullet Cluster, ...

(2) Massive neutrinos

- Δm_{ν}^2 measured through neutrino oscillation experiments: Solar, atmospheric, accelerators, reactors

$$\Delta m_{21}^2 \approx 7.5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 \text{ and } \Delta m_{32}^2 \approx 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$$

- Particle identity of neutrinos as yet undetermined: Dirac, Majorana ($0\nu\beta\beta$ decay)
- (1) and (2) unexplained in SM, require new physics

- Separate origins for DM and $m_\nu \neq 0$ typically assumed
- DM elusive, weakly coupled to the SM
- $m_\nu \lesssim 0.1$ eV suggests suppressed interaction
- Tiny Yukawa couplings $\mathcal{O}(10^{-12})$
- Seesaw mechanism, typically heavy right-handed neutrinos N_R

Minkowski, 1977; Yanagida, 1979; Glashow, 1979; Gell-Mann, Ramond, Slansky, 1980; Mohapatra, Senjanović, 1980

★ This talk: *Common origin from dark sector confinement*

- Composite N_R and **pseudo-scalar** DM
- Neutrino mass from inverse seesaw Mohapatra, 1986; Mohapatra, Valle, 1986

Recent work on 5D warped seesaw, dual to a composite scenario: Agashe, Hong, Vecchi, 2015

Unified Scenario for Composite N_R and DM

HD, Giardino, Neil, Rinaldi, 1709.01082

- Effective field theory (EFT) approach
- We will provide a UV completion for the EFT
- Assume a “dark” $SU(n_c)_D$ and associated quarks ψ_i
- N_R a composite baryon $\Rightarrow n_c$ odd; for simplicity set $n_c = 3$
- $SU(3)_D$ confinement at scale μ_D
- EFT $\rightarrow$ neutron-anti-neutron oscillation (NANO)
- EFT operators made up of ψ_i with $i = 1, 2, 3$ and SM
- Below $SU(3)_D$ confinement scale, EFT yields dim-4 interactions
- DM stability: $\mathbb{Z}_2(\psi_1) = \mathbb{Z}_2(\psi_2) = \mathbb{Z}_2(\text{SM}) = +1$; $\mathbb{Z}_2(\psi_3) = -1$

EFT Ingredients

- In addition to SM and “dark QCD” interactions, assume

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{\tilde{H}^* \bar{L}_f [\psi_i^3]}{\Lambda_f^3} + \frac{[\psi_i^6]}{\Lambda_N^5} + \frac{\bar{\psi}_i \psi_i H^\dagger H}{\Lambda_H} + \text{H.C.}$$

- H is the Higgs and L_f a lepton doublet of family $f = 1, 2, 3$ in SM
- $[\psi_i^n]$: $SU(3)_D$, $\mathbb{Z}_2$, and Lorentz invariant combinations of n ψ_i
- Assumption: chiral symmetry of ψ_i broken by EWSB $m_i \sim \frac{\langle H \rangle^2}{\Lambda_H}$
- Strong dynamics will not break $\mathbb{Z}_2$
 - $U(1)$ flavor symmetry of each ψ_i preserved [Vafa, Witten, 1984](#)
 - $\langle \bar{\psi}_3 \psi_1 \rangle = \langle \bar{\psi}_3 \psi_2 \rangle = 0$ [similar to $U(1)_{EM}$ preservation in QCD]
- We will assume $m_1 < m_2 < m_3$, and $m_i \ll \mu_D$

Low-lying Spectrum below μ_D

- pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone bosons (pNGBs)
- $P \sim \bar{\psi}_1\psi_2$, $\kappa \sim \bar{\psi}_1\psi_3$, $\kappa' \sim \bar{\psi}_2\psi_3$
- Linear combinations of $\bar{\psi}_i\psi_i$: P' and P'' (QCD π^0 and η)
- “Dark” kaons κ and κ' , lightest $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -odd states, with κ as DM
- $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -even right-handed neutrinos N_R (dark neutrons):
- $N_1 \sim \psi_1^2\psi_2$, $N_2 \sim \psi_1\psi_2^2$, $N_3 \sim \psi_1\psi_3^2$, $N_4 \sim \psi_2\psi_3^2$
- $M_{N_1} < M_{N_2} < M_{N_3} < M_{N_4}$
- $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -even $[\psi_1^3]$ and $[\psi_2^3]$ spin-3/2 cannot mix with ν (Δ^{++} in SM)
- $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -odd $X \sim \psi_1^2\psi_3$, $X' \sim \psi_2^2\psi_3$, $Y_{3/2} \sim \psi_3^3$ unstable, decay into κ, κ'

For $m_3 \ll m_1, m_2$, $Y_{3/2}$ lightest $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -odd state, possibly a composite spin-3/2 DM candidate.

- Small quark masses: $M_N \sim \mu_D$ Corresponding to $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ in QCD
- Estimate pNGB mass using Gell-Mann-Oakes-Renner relation

$$M_\Pi^2 = 2b\mu_D\hat{m}$$

- pNGBs collectively denoted by Π
- Average quark mass $\hat{m}$ and b a constant
- SM kaons: $\hat{m} \approx 50 \text{ MeV}$, $m_K \approx 500 \text{ MeV}$, $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \sim 1 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow b \sim 2.5$

$$M_\Pi \sim \sqrt{5\mu_D\hat{m}} \sim \langle H \rangle \sqrt{\frac{5\mu_D}{\Lambda_H}}$$

- Assume $\mu_D \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$
- Motivation: Extensions of EW sector, thermal relic DM, collider accessibility
- Later see that $\mu_D \sim 1 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \text{DM mass } M_\kappa \sim 10 \text{ GeV}$
- $M_\kappa \sim M_\Pi \sim 10 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow \Lambda_H \sim 1000 \text{ TeV}$ $\left(\frac{\bar{\psi}_i \psi_i H^\dagger H}{\Lambda_H} \right)$

Neutrino Mass Generation

- Upon confinement: $[\psi_i^3] \rightarrow \mu_D^3 N_\alpha + \dots$ and $[\psi_i^6] \rightarrow \mu_D^6 N_\alpha N_\beta + \dots$
- The EFT will then yield

$$M_\alpha \bar{N}_\alpha N_\alpha + Y^{f\alpha} \tilde{H}^* \bar{L}_f N_\alpha + \mu_N^{\alpha\beta} \bar{N}_\alpha^c N_\beta + \text{H.C.}$$

M_α Dirac mass, $Y^{f\alpha}$ Yukawa couplings, and $\mu_N^{\alpha\beta}$ Majorana mass matrix (NANO)

- Estimates: $M_\alpha \approx M_N \approx \mu_D$; $Y^{f\alpha} \sim \frac{\mu_D^3}{\Lambda_f^3}$; $\mu_N^{\alpha\beta} \sim \frac{\mu_D^6}{\Lambda_N^5}$
- Inverse seesaw for SM neutrinos masses: $m_\nu \sim \frac{y^2 v_H^2 \mu_N}{M_N^2} \Rightarrow m_\nu \sim \frac{\mu_D^{10} v_H^2}{\Lambda_f^6 \Lambda_N^5}$

y and μ_N : typical eigenvalues of $Y^{f\alpha}$ and $\mu_N^{\alpha\beta}$

- Example: $m_\nu \sim 0.1$ eV for $\mu_D \sim 1$ TeV and $(\Lambda_f, \Lambda_N) \sim 10$ TeV
 $\mu_N \sim 10$ MeV and $y \sim 10^{-3}$

DM Relic Density

- $\kappa\kappa \leftrightarrow \Pi^\dagger\Pi$ followed by fast decay of Π at freezeout $T \sim T_\star$:

$$\Gamma(\Pi) > H_\star \sim g_\star^{1/2} T_\star^2 / M_{\text{Planck}} \quad M_{\text{Planck}} \approx 1.2 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV}; g_\star \sim 50$$

- Thermal contact with SM: $\frac{\bar{\psi}_i \psi_i H^\dagger H}{\Lambda_H} \rightarrow \xi \Pi^\dagger \Pi H^\dagger H$
 $\xi \sim 2b\mu_D/\Lambda_H$ with $b \sim 2.5$

- $\Pi c \leftrightarrow \Pi c$: SM-DM thermal contact until $T_d \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$ (charm mass)
- pNGB scattering freeze-out: $x_{f.o.} = M_\kappa/T_\star \sim 20$
- If Π width $\Gamma_\Pi > H_\star$, could get correct relic density for

$$M_\Pi \sim M_\kappa \text{ and } M_\Pi \lesssim F_\Pi \text{ with } F_\Pi \sim \frac{\mu_D}{4\pi} \quad \text{Based on Buckley, Neil, 1209.6054}$$

- Benchmark $M_\kappa \sim 10 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow T_\star \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ and $F_\Pi \sim 80 \text{ GeV}$

A Concrete UV Model

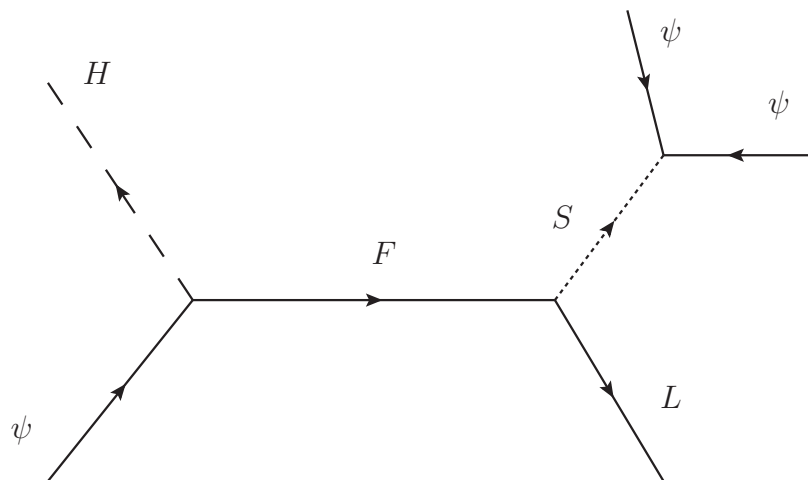
- Vector-like fermions F and F'
- $(3, 2, -1/2, +)$ and $(3, 2, -1/2, -)$ under $SU(3)_D \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \times \mathbb{Z}_2$
- Three $SU(3)_D$ triplet scalars S_a , with $a = e, \mu, \tau$
- $(3, 1, 0, +)$; flavor structure: avoid large LFV, e.g. $\mu^- \rightarrow e^- \gamma$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{UV} = & \lambda_1 \tilde{H}^* \bar{F} \psi_1 + \lambda_2 \tilde{H}^* \bar{F} \psi_2 + \lambda_3 \tilde{H}^* \bar{F}' \psi_3 + \lambda'_a S_a \bar{F} L_a \\ & + \sum_{i,j=1}^3 g_a^{ij} S_a \psi_i \psi_j \Big|_{\mathbb{Z}_2=+} + \mu_S S_e S_\mu S_\tau + \text{H.C.} \end{aligned}$$

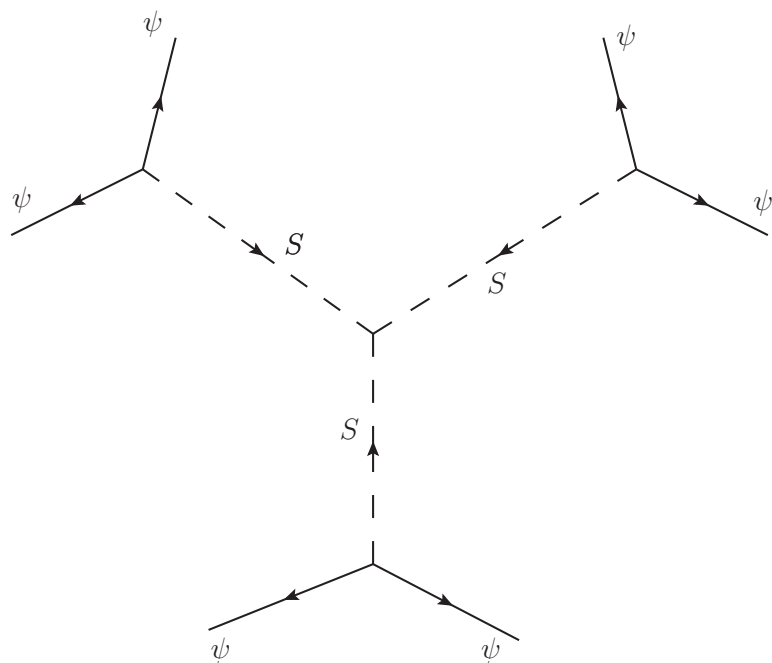
$$\Lambda_f^{-3} \sim \frac{\lambda_i \lambda'_a g_{ja}}{M_F M_S^2} \quad ; \quad \Lambda_N^{-5} \sim \frac{g_{ia}^3 \mu_S}{M_S^6} \quad ; \quad \Lambda_H^{-1} \sim \frac{\lambda_i^2}{M_F}$$

$\Lambda_H \sim 1000 \text{ TeV}$	$\lambda_i^2 \sim 0.001$
$\Lambda_f, \Lambda_N \sim 10 \text{ TeV}$	$\lambda'_i \sim 0.1$
$\mu_D \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$	$g_i \sim 0.3$
$M_F, M_S \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$	$\mu_S \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$
$M_\kappa \sim 10 \text{ GeV}$	

Benchmark Parameters

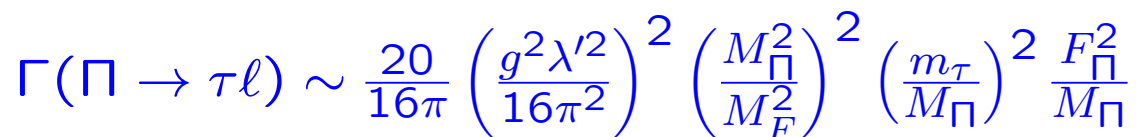


$\tilde{H}^* \bar{L}[\psi_i^3]/\Lambda_f^3$ (“Reindeer” diagram)



$[\psi_i]^6/\Lambda_N^5$ (“Snowflake” diagram)

- DM relic density: need sufficiently fast $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -even Π decay
- $\Pi \bar{N}_\alpha \gamma_5 N_\beta$ (like QCD), $Y^{f\alpha} \bar{H}^* \bar{L}_f N_\alpha$ allow for $\Pi \rightarrow \bar{\nu} \nu \bar{b} b$: too slow
- $\Pi \rightarrow \bar{\nu} \nu$ extremely helicity-suppressed by $(m_\nu/M_\Pi)^2$
- UV model allows for an efficient decay channel



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- $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -odd κ' decay into DM κ cannot be too slow
- Avoid decay after BBN, $H_{\text{BBN}} \sim 10^{-24} \text{ GeV} \sim 1/\text{s}$
- $\kappa' \rightarrow \kappa l l$ with l any charged lepton or ν , no helicity suppression
- Mediated by the same type of UV model diagram as $\mathbb{Z}_2$ -even case
- Similar to semileptonic meson decays in the SM

$$\Gamma(\kappa' \rightarrow \kappa l l) \sim 72 \frac{\Phi_3}{10} \left(\frac{g^2 \lambda'^2}{16\pi^2} \right)^2 \frac{M_{\kappa'}^5}{M_F^4} \left(1 - \frac{M_{\kappa}^2}{M_{\kappa'}^2} \right)^5$$

- $\Phi_3 \sim 1/(8\pi^2) 1/(16\pi)$, factor of ~ 72 for final states (18) and sum over amplitudes;
 $\sim 1/10$ phase space suppression [Ecker, Pich, de Rafael, 1987](#)

- Benchmark point: $\Gamma(\kappa' \rightarrow \kappa l l) \sim \left(1 - \frac{M_{\kappa}^2}{M_{\kappa'}^2} \right)^5 10^{-20} \text{ GeV}$
- For $\delta M/M_{\kappa'} \sim 0.3$ we get $\Gamma \sim 10^{-22} \text{ GeV} (\gg H_{\text{BBN}})$

Experimental Signatures

- Direct detection:

- Higgs-mediated nucleon scattering from $\xi \kappa^\dagger \kappa H^\dagger H$

E.g. Burgess, Pospelov, ter Veldhuis, 2000; Cline, Kainulainen, Scott, Weniger 2013; Duerr, Fileviez Pérez, Smirnov, 2015

$$\sigma_{SI} = \frac{\xi^2 f_n^2 \mu_n^2 m_n^2}{4\pi M_H^4 M_\kappa^2}$$

- μ_n nucleon- κ reduced mass, m_n nucleon mass, $f_n \approx 0.3$ nucleon-Higgs coupling
- For $M_\kappa \gg m_n$, $\mu_n \approx m_n$, we have in our model

$$\sigma_{SI} \sim \text{few} \times 10^{-12} \left(\frac{\mu_D}{\Lambda_H} \right)^2 \text{ GeV}^{-2} \sim 10^{-39} \left(\frac{\mu_D}{\Lambda_H} \right)^2 \text{ cm}^2$$

- Benchmark: $\mu_D \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$, $\Lambda_H \sim 1000 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \sigma_{SI} \sim \text{few} \times 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2$, roughly at or below current XENON1T bound experiment [XENON Collaboration, 2017](#)

- Gravitational waves

- $SU(3)_D$ phase transition first order if $100 \text{ GeV} \lesssim T_c \lesssim \mu_D$ (3 massless dark quarks)

[Pisarski, Wilczek, 1984](#)

- Primordial gravitational waves, signal for future space based detectors (LISA)

- Indirect detection via $\kappa^\dagger \kappa \rightarrow \Pi^\dagger \Pi$
- $M_\kappa \sim 10$ GeV close to exclusion limits [Planck Collaboration, 2016](#)
- Target for future observations

- Colliders

$$\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \Pi^\dagger \Pi) \sim \text{Br}(H \rightarrow \kappa^\dagger \kappa, \kappa'^\dagger \kappa') \sim 10\% \text{ (Benchmark)}$$

- For decay length ~ 100 m, $H \rightarrow \Pi^\dagger \Pi$ part of “invisible” decay searches
- Current or future data can constrain the benchmark $\text{Br}(\text{Higgs} \rightarrow \text{pNGB pair})$

- Distinct signal (UV Model):

$$H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^+ (e/\mu)^- (e/\mu)^-$$

- Correlated with gravitational waves (massless “dark” quarks $\rightarrow$ light pNGBs)
- Could be probed at proposed MATHUSLA detector [Chou, Curtin, Lubatti, 2016](#)

Conclusions

- Dark matter and neutrino masses strong evidence for new physics
- Often unrelated new physics invoked to explain them
- We propose a common origin: “dark” sector compositeness
- “Dark” $SU(3)_D$ and three massless dark quarks $\oplus$ EFT
- Chiral symmetry breaking by SM Higgs
- Dark neutrons $\leftrightarrow$ right-handed Dirac neutrinos
- Inverse seesaw with “dark” neutron-anti-neutron oscillation
- pNGB “dark” kaons $\leftrightarrow$ dark matter
- Confinement at $\sim \text{TeV} \rightarrow \sim 10 \text{ GeV}$ dark matter
- UV model: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau ll$
- Potentially correlated with primordial gravitational wave signal