

New Ideas on CPV

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Outline

- **Strong CP**: what is the problem?
- **Old ideas** on CPV
 - Axions
 - Spontaneous CPV
- **New ideas** on CPV
 - Strong CP as a flavor problem
 - New symmetries from extra dimensions
- **Conclusions**

Strong CP Simplified

The Simple Question:

The neutron has an EDM

$$d_n = 10^{-16} \text{ e-cm } \theta \quad \theta < 10^{-9}$$

Why is θ so small?

The Simple Answer:

θ is just a parameter in the standard model Lagrangian.

Its renormalized value happens to be small

Strong CP Complicated

Is there more to it?

- Other **small** parameters in the Standard Model Lagrangian are **protected** by symmetries

For example, $m_e = 10^{-6} \text{ h H i}$

protected by a chiral symmetry: $\psi_e \rightarrow e^{i\gamma_5 \alpha} \psi_e$

't Hooft naturalness

So, **quantum corrections** to m_e are proportional to m_e

- No **enhanced symmetry** when $\theta = 0$
P and CP are **already broken**

However,

- If we set $\theta = 0$, **quantum corrections** are small

$$\Delta \theta \sim 10^{-18}$$

UV Sensitivity

What about **UV sensitivity**?

With a **cutoff** at M_{pl} :

$$\Delta m_e / m_e \quad (\text{tuning} \sim 10^{-6})$$

$$\Delta m_h^2 / M_{\text{pl}}^2 \quad (\text{tuning} \sim 10^{-34})$$

$$\Delta \Lambda_{\text{cc}} / M_{\text{pl}}^4 \quad (\text{tuning} \sim 10^{-120})$$

protected by
't Hooft naturalness
UV finite

UV sensitive

θ gets a logarithmically divergent correction at **7 loops**

$$\Delta \theta \sim 10^{-18} + 10^{-30} \log(M_{\text{pl}}/m_q) \quad (\text{tuning} \sim 10^{-10})$$

So, θ is *formally* **UV sensitive**, but

$$\theta = 10^{-10} \text{ at } M_{\text{pl}} \quad \theta = 10^{-10} \text{ at } 1 \text{ MeV}$$

) θ is **more like** m_e than m_h

UV sensitive

Strong CP is a **flavor problem**, not
a **naturalness problem**

Axions

What are **axions**?

- Introduce **complex scalar**: $\Phi = \Phi_0 e^{ia}$
- New **Peccei-Quinn Symmetry**: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Phi \rightarrow \Phi e^{i\delta} \quad (a \rightarrow a + \delta) \\ \theta \rightarrow \theta - \delta \end{array} \right.$ ← anomaly
- **a** dynamically relaxes $\theta = 0$

For example, two Higgs doublet model: $\mathcal{L} = Y_u Q_L \Phi u_R + Y_d Q_L \tilde{\Phi} d_R + \dots$

However, PQ symmetry is anomalous

- **nothing** forbids $\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} + g_5 M_{\text{pl}}^{-1} \Phi^4 (\Phi + \Phi^*) + g_1 M_{\text{pl}}^3 (\Phi + \Phi^*)$
 $g_5 < 10^{-54}$ $g_1 < 10^{-189}$

- **reintroduces UV sensitivity**

$$\theta = 0 \text{ at } M_{\text{pl}} \quad) \quad \theta \sim 1 \text{ at } 1 \text{ MeV}$$

- Axions treat strong CP as a **naturalness** problem, but make the problem **worse!**
- Axions teach us **nothing** about **flavor**

Massless up quark

What about the $m_u=0$ solution?

- There is no **enhanced symmetry** at $m_u = 0$

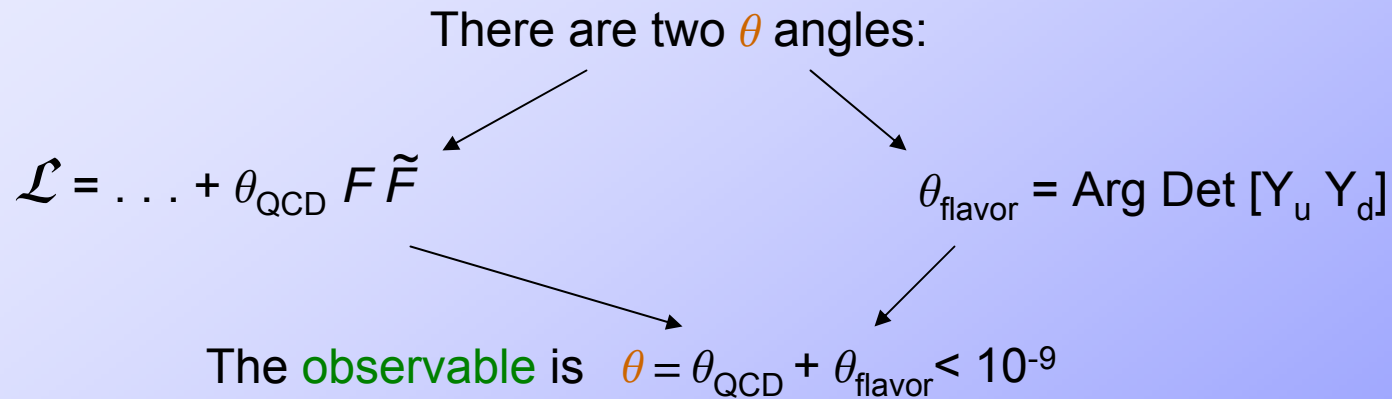
Neutron EDM is
$$d_n = 10^{-16} \text{ e-cm} \left(\frac{m_u}{1 \text{ MeV}} \right) \theta$$

) $m_u < 1 \text{ eV} = 10^{-15} \text{ h H i}$

- More **natural** just to set $\theta = 10^{-10}$!
- Ruled out: $m_u \sim 1 \text{ MeV}$
- Even if it did work, setting $m_u=0$ teaches us **nothing** about **flavor**

Strong CP and flavor

Why else is strong CP like a flavor problem?



There is another CP violating phase

$$\theta_{\text{weak}} = \text{Arg Det } [Y_u Y_d - Y_d Y_u] \sim 1$$

If $\theta_{\text{QCD}} = 0$, the Strong CP problem is exactly a flavor problem:

Why are some yukawa couplings smaller than others?

Spontaneous CPV

- Suppose CP is a **good symmetry** at high energy

$$\theta_{\text{QCD}} = \theta_{\text{flavor}} = \theta_{\text{weak}} = 0$$

- CP is **spontaneously broken**

$$\text{CP: } \Phi \rightarrow -\Phi$$

$$\langle \Phi \rangle \neq 0$$

- Try to arrange

$$\theta_{\text{weak}} = \text{Arg Det } [Y_u Y_d - Y_d Y_u] \sim 1$$

$$\theta_{\text{flavor}} = \text{Arg Det } [Y_u Y_d] < 10^{-10}$$

$$\theta_{\text{QCD}} < 10^{-10}$$

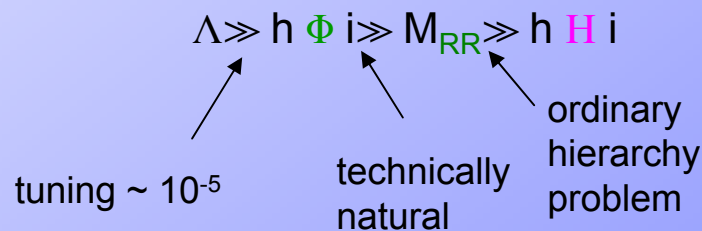
- Examples

- **Nelson-Barr** models
- Extra dimensional models: **Twisted Split Fermions**
- **Left-Right** symmetric models

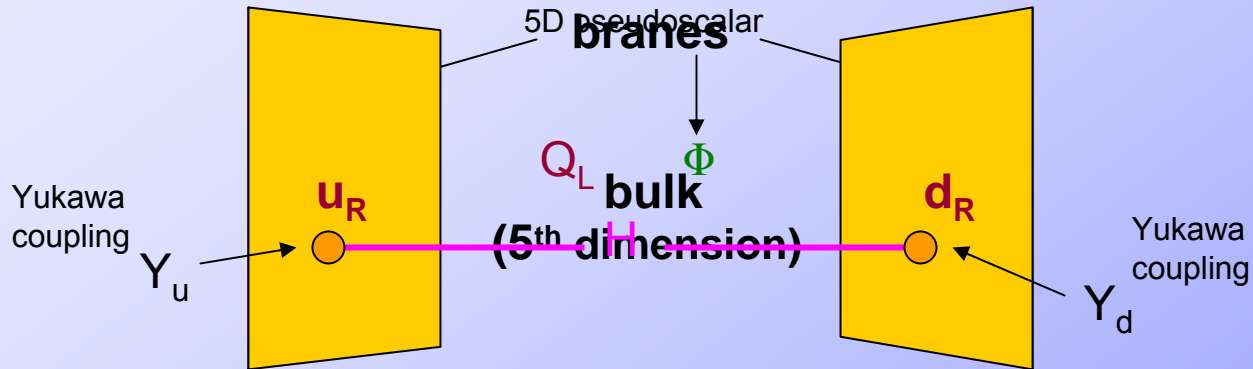
Nelson-Barr

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- renormalizable theory
- field content:
 - standard model: Q_L, H, u_R, d_R
 - **CP** violating scalar: Φ
 - heavy vectorlike generators: R
- new global symmetries
- achieves $\theta = 0$ and $\theta_{\text{weak}} \sim 1$ classically
- to maintain small θ in quantum theory requires



Extra Dimensions



$$L = m_{ij} \bar{Q} Q + m_{ij}^y \bar{Q} Q + \dots$$

Impose CP: $\left. \begin{array}{l} Q(z) \rightarrow \bar{Q}(z) \\ \Phi(z) \rightarrow \Phi^*(z) \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Yukawas } Y_u \text{ and } Y_d \text{ are real} \\ \theta = 0, \theta_{\text{weak}} = 0 \end{array}$

Φ gets a complex vev

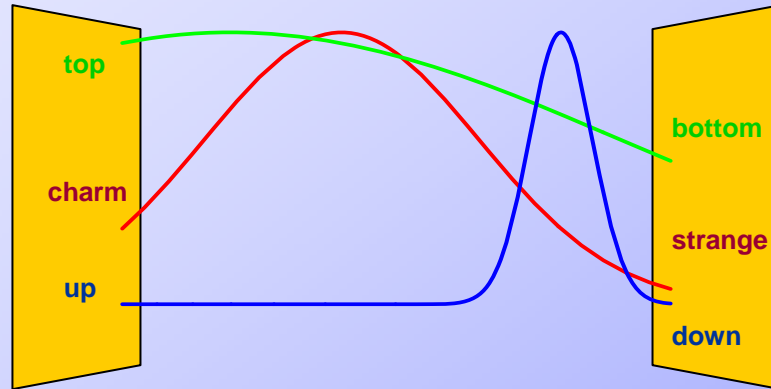
- **CP** is spontaneously broken
- Q_L gets a mass

automatically Hermetian

$$M_{ij} = m_{ij} h_{ij} + m_{ij}^y h_{ij}^y$$

Twisted Split Fermions

Dirac equation $\partial\!\!\!/\! Q_i = M_{ij} Q_j$ leads to exponential profiles



split fermions

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twisting

$$Q_i(z) = e^{\int_0^z M_{ij}(z) dz} Q_j(0) = K_{ij}(z) Q_j(0)$$

complex **hermetian** matrix

product of hermetian matrices
complex, with **real determinant**

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effective Yukawa matrices are $Y_u^{\text{eff}} = Y_u$ and $Y_d^{\text{eff}} = K(L) Y_d$, so

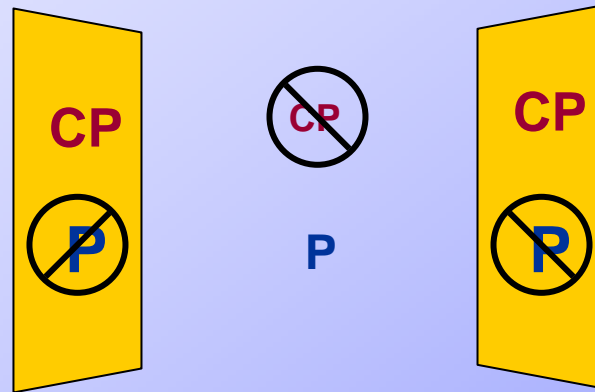
$$\theta = \text{ArgDet}(Y_u K Y_d) = 0$$

$$\theta_{\text{weak}} = \text{ArgDet}(Y_u K Y_d - K Y_d Y_u) \sim 1$$

What happened?

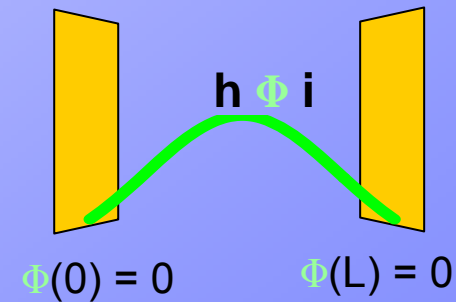
θ violates both **P** and **CP**

but either **P** and **CP** is protected everywhere



P is part of 5D Lorentz invariance

- bulk mass M_{ij} must be Hermetian
- source of **CPV**, Φ , is a 5D pseudoscalar



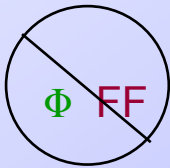
How big is θ in twisted split fermions?

- After spontaneous symmetry breaking, $\langle \Phi \rangle \neq 0$

$$\theta_{\text{QCD}} = \theta_{\text{flavor}} = 0 \qquad \theta_{\text{weak}} \sim 1$$

- estimate quantum corrections by adding **all** operators consistent with symmetries

bulk operators can never contribute to θ by **P**



boundary operators can never contribute to θ by **CP** ($\Phi(0) = \Phi(L) = 0$)



- leading operator is

$$\frac{24^{1/3}}{\alpha^{7/2}} (d_z \Phi - d_z \Phi^*) FF \delta(z)$$

$$\theta \sim 10^{-7}$$

$$\text{NDA} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha = \frac{24^{1/3}}{g_s^2 L} \\ \langle \Phi \rangle = 1/L \end{array} \right.$$

- if $\Phi = \Phi_{ab}$ is a flavor adjoint

$$\frac{24^{1/3}}{\alpha^6} (d_z \Phi)^2 FF \delta(z)$$

$$\theta \sim 10^{-12}$$

Left-right symmetric models

- renormalizable
- use right-handed doublets: Q_L, Q_R, Φ
- use P , instead of CP , to set $\theta=0$ classically
- effective mass matrix is

$$M_{ij} = (f_{ij} + f_{ij}^y) h_{\odot i}$$

must have real determinant for $\theta=0$

1. Impose CP f_{ij} is real
 $h_{\odot i}$ is complex } $\det(M_{ij})$ is complex

2. no CP f_{ij} is complex
 $h_{\odot i}$ is real } $\det(M_{ij})$ is real

why?

real determinant guaranteed by 5D lorentz invariance

Twisted Split Fermions have $M_{ij} = m_{ij} h_{\odot i} + m_{ij}^y h_{\odot}^? i$

Other ideas

Axions

- **String axions**
 - Can **calculate** (in principle) whether there is explicit PQ violation
 - **Difficult** to get $f_a \sim 10^{-12}$ GeV
- **Warped axions**
 - Use **Randall-Sundrum** like warping to generate $f_a \sim 10^{-12}$ GeV
 - Without an explicit string construction, still **unnatural**
- **Three-form axions**
- **Gauged axions**
 - Anomaly canceled by **sequestered fermions** in an extra dimension
 - Seems **promising**, but no explicit models have been constructed

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Spontaneous CPV

- **Hiller-Schmaltz**
 - Use supersymmetry to keep $\theta = 0$, but allow $\theta_{\text{weak}} \sim 1$
- **Warped-twisting**
 - Twisted split fermions in **Randall-Sundrum** context
 - May have complimentary insights into flavor

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Conclusions

- The Strong CP problem is **easy to solve**

$$\theta_{\text{ren}} = 10^{-10}$$

- If you think this solution is **unnatural**, you must have a more natural solution

- **Axions** are **less natural**
- $\mu = 0$ is **less natural**
- **Left-Right models** are **less natural**

- Instead, we can think of θ as a flavor parameter

- “why is $\theta = 10^{-10}$?” like “why is $m_{\text{electron}} = 10^{-6} m_{\text{top}}$?”

- Spontaneous **CPV** explains why QCD vacuum angle $\theta_{\text{QCD}} = 0$

- Extra dimensions are a **natural** flavor framework

- **Split fermions** explain mass hierarchies
- **Twisting** explains weak CP phase
- **5D Lorentz invariance** (parity) and **5D locality** protect θ

- In **Twisted Split Fermions**, expect

$$\theta \sim 10^{-12}$$