

# Pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone Dark Matter, First-order Phase Transitions, and Gravitational Waves

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# Pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone Dark Matter

😬 **Dark matter (DM) direct detection** has put **stringent constraints** on DM-nucleon scattering, greatly challenging the **thermal DM paradigm**

😎 The direct detection constraints can be circumvented if the DM particle is a **pseudo-Nambu-Goldstone boson (pNGB)** protected by an **approximate global symmetry** [Gross, Lebedev, Toma, 1708.02253, PRL]

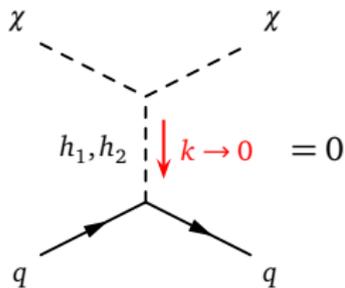
🌑 Introduce a complex scalar  $S = (v_s + s + i\chi)/\sqrt{2}$  and a global U(1) symmetry  $S \rightarrow e^{i\alpha}S$  softly broken by a quadratic potential term  $-m_\chi^2(S^2 + S^{\dagger 2})/4$

🌑 After spontaneous symmetry breaking,  $\chi$  becomes a **stable pNGB**, acting as a **DM candidate**

🌑 The DM-quark scattering amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}(\chi q \rightarrow \chi q) \propto \frac{m_q s_\theta c_\theta}{v v_s} \frac{t(m_{h_1}^2 - m_{h_2}^2)}{(t - m_{h_1}^2)(t - m_{h_2}^2)} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} 0$$

🌑 In the **zero momentum transfer limit**  $t = k^2 \rightarrow 0$ , the DM-nucleon scattering cross section  $\sigma_{\chi N}^{\text{SI}}$  **vanishes** at tree level



# Experimental Approaches to pNGB DM

☁️ **One-loop corrections** typically lead to  $\sigma_{\chi N}^{\text{SI}} \lesssim \mathcal{O}(10^{-50}) \text{ cm}^2$

[Azevedo *et al.*, 1810.06105, JHEP; Ishiwata & Toma, 1810.08139, JHEP]

👉 **Beyond capability** of current and near future direct detection experiments

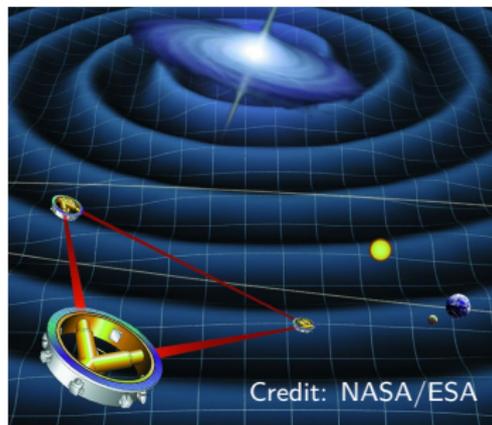
🎯 **Other experimental approaches** are crucial for exploring pNGB DM

🔭 The discovery of **gravitational waves (GWs)** by LIGO in 2015 opens a new window to new physics models

💡 Introducing new scalar fields may change the **electroweak phase transition** to be a **first-order phase transition (FOPT)**

💥 A cosmological FOPT could induce a **stochastic GW background** with  $f \sim \text{mHz}$

👉 Potential signals in **future space-based GW interferometers** like **LISA**, **TianQin**, **Taiji**, **DECIGO**, and **BBO**



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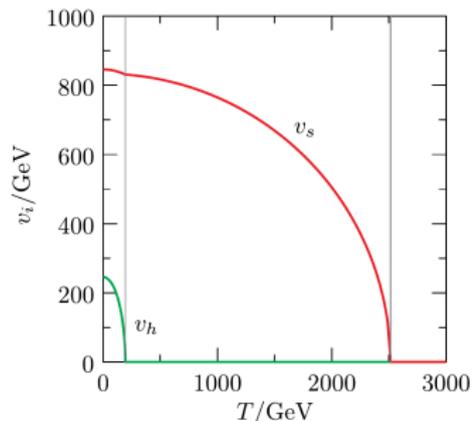
# First-order Phase Transition from pNGB DM

😞 However, the **original pNGB DM model** can only results in **second-order** phase transitions

[Kannike & Raidal, 1901.03333, PRD] 🙌

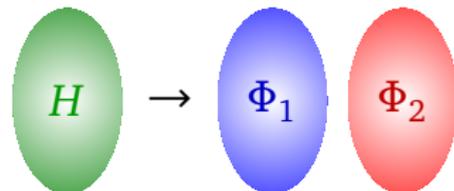
😓 Introducing more terms to break the global U(1) symmetry can result in FOPTs, **at the cost of** the vanishing DM-nucleon scattering

[Kannike, Loos, Raidal, 1907.13136, PRD;  
Alanne *et al.*, 2008.09605, JHEP]



😊 GW signals from strong FOPTs can be achieved in the **two-Higgs-doublet models (2HDMs)** [Dorsch *et al.*, 1611.05874, JCAP; X Wang, FP Huang, XM Zhang, 1909.02978, PRD; RY Zhou & LG Bian, 2001.01237]

🤔 We may expect a similar situation in the **2HDM extension of pNGB DM** [XM Jiang, CF Cai, ZHY, YP Zeng, HH Zhang, 1907.09684, PRD]



# 2HDM extension of pNGB DM

 **Two Higgs doublets**  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$  with  $Y = 1/2$ , **complex scalar singlet**  $S$

 Scalar potential respects a softly broken global  $U(1)$  symmetry  $S \rightarrow e^{i\alpha} S$

 Two **common assumptions** for 2HDMs

- $CP$  is conserved in the scalar sector
- There is a  $Z_2$  symmetry  $\Phi_1 \rightarrow -\Phi_1$  or  $\Phi_2 \rightarrow -\Phi_2$  forbidding quartic terms that are odd in  $\Phi_1$  or  $\Phi_2$ , but it can be softly broken by quadratic terms

 Scalar potential constructed with  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$

$$V_1 = m_{11}^2 |\Phi_1|^2 + m_{22}^2 |\Phi_2|^2 - m_{12}^2 (\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2 + \Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1) + \frac{\lambda_1}{2} |\Phi_1|^4 + \frac{\lambda_2}{2} |\Phi_2|^4 + \lambda_3 |\Phi_1|^2 |\Phi_2|^2 + \lambda_4 |\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2|^2 + \frac{\lambda_5}{2} [(\Phi_1^\dagger \Phi_2)^2 + (\Phi_2^\dagger \Phi_1)^2]$$

  **$U(1)$  symmetric** potential terms involving  $S$

$$V_2 = -m_S^2 |S|^2 + \frac{\lambda_S}{2} |S|^4 + \kappa_1 |\Phi_1|^2 |S|^2 + \kappa_2 |\Phi_2|^2 |S|^2$$

 Quadratic term **softly breaking** the global  $U(1)$ :  $V_{\text{soft}} = -\frac{m_S'^2}{4} S^2 + \text{H.c.}$

# Scalars

  $\Phi_1$ ,  $\Phi_2$ , and  $S$  develop VEVs  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  and  $v_s$

$$\Phi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^+ \\ (v_1 + \rho_1 + i\eta_1)/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_2^+ \\ (v_2 + \rho_2 + i\eta_2)/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad S = \frac{v_s + s + i\chi}{\sqrt{2}}$$

  $\chi$  is a **stable pNGB** with  $m_\chi = m'_S$ , acting as a **DM candidate**

 Mass terms for **charged scalars** and **CP-odd scalars**

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} \supset \left[ m_{12}^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_4 + \lambda_5)v_1v_2 \right] (\phi_1^-, \phi_2^-) \begin{pmatrix} v_2/v_1 & -1 \\ -1 & v_1/v_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^+ \\ \phi_2^+ \end{pmatrix} \\ + \frac{1}{2}(m_{12}^2 - \lambda_5v_1v_2)(\eta_1, \eta_2) \begin{pmatrix} v_2/v_1 & -1 \\ -1 & v_1/v_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^+ \\ \phi_2^+ \end{pmatrix} = R(\beta) \begin{pmatrix} G^+ \\ H^+ \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{pmatrix} = R(\beta) \begin{pmatrix} G^0 \\ a \end{pmatrix}, \quad R(\beta) = \begin{pmatrix} c_\beta & -s_\beta \\ s_\beta & c_\beta \end{pmatrix}, \quad \tan \beta = \frac{v_2}{v_1}$$

  $G^\pm$  and  $G^0$  are **massless Nambu-Goldstone bosons** eaten by  $W^\pm$  and  $Z$

  $H^\pm$  and  $a$  are **physical states**

$$m_{H^\pm}^2 = \frac{v_1^2 + v_2^2}{v_1v_2} \left[ m_{12}^2 - \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_4 + \lambda_5)v_1v_2 \right], \quad m_a^2 = \frac{v_1^2 + v_2^2}{v_1v_2} (m_{12}^2 - \lambda_5v_1v_2)$$

# CP-even Scalars and Weak Gauge Bosons

 Mass terms for **CP-even scalars**  $-\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} \supset \frac{1}{2}(\rho_1, \rho_2, s) \mathcal{M}_{\rho s}^2 \begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \\ s \end{pmatrix}$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\rho s}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 v_1^2 + m_{12}^2 \tan \beta & \lambda_{345} v_1 v_2 - m_{12}^2 & \kappa_1 v_1 v_s \\ \lambda_{345} v_1 v_2 - m_{12}^2 & \lambda_2 v_2^2 + m_{12}^2 \cot \beta & \kappa_2 v_2 v_s \\ \kappa_1 v_1 v_s & \kappa_2 v_2 v_s & \lambda_S v_s^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda_{345} \equiv \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 + \lambda_5$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \\ s \end{pmatrix} = O \begin{pmatrix} h_1 \\ h_2 \\ h_3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad O^T \mathcal{M}_{\rho s}^2 O = \text{diag}(m_{h_1}^2, m_{h_2}^2, m_{h_3}^2), \quad m_{h_1} \leq m_{h_2} \leq m_{h_3}$$

 One of  $h_i$  should behave like the **125 GeV SM Higgs boson**

 Mass terms for **weak gauge bosons**

$$-\mathcal{L}_{\text{mass}} \supset \frac{g^2}{4}(v_1^2 + v_2^2) W^{-,\mu} W_{\mu}^{+} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{g^2}{4c_W^2}(v_1^2 + v_2^2) Z^{\mu} Z_{\mu}, \quad c_W \equiv \cos \theta_W$$

$$m_W = \frac{gv}{2}, \quad m_Z = \frac{gv}{2c_W}, \quad v \equiv \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2} = (\sqrt{2}G_F)^{-1/2} = 246.22 \text{ GeV}$$

# Four Types of Yukawa Couplings

👉 **Yukawa interactions** for the **mass eigenstates**

$$\mathcal{L}_Y = \sum_{f=\ell_j, d_j, u_j} \left[ -m_f \bar{f} f - \frac{m_f}{v} \left( \sum_i \xi_{h_i}^f h_i \bar{f} f + \xi_a^f a \bar{f} i \gamma_5 f \right) \right] - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{v} [H^+ (\xi_a^{\ell_i} m_{\ell_i} \bar{\nu}_i P_R \ell_i + \xi_a^{d_j} m_{d_j} V_{ij} \bar{u}_i P_R d_j + \xi_a^{u_i} m_{u_i} V_{ij} \bar{u}_i P_L d_j) + \text{H.c.}]$$

	Type I	Type II	Lepton specific	Flipped
$\xi_{h_i}^{\ell_j}$	$O_{2i} / \sin \beta$	$O_{1i} / \cos \beta$	$O_{1i} / \cos \beta$	$O_{2i} / \sin \beta$
$\xi_{h_i}^{d_j}$	$O_{2i} / \sin \beta$	$O_{1i} / \cos \beta$	$O_{2i} / \sin \beta$	$O_{1i} / \cos \beta$
$\xi_{h_i}^{u_j}$	$O_{2i} / \sin \beta$			
$\xi_a^{\ell_j}$	$\cot \beta$	$-\tan \beta$	$-\tan \beta$	$\cot \beta$
$\xi_a^{d_j}$	$\cot \beta$	$-\tan \beta$	$\cot \beta$	$-\tan \beta$
$\xi_a^{u_j}$	$-\cot \beta$	$-\cot \beta$	$-\cot \beta$	$-\cot \beta$

🦀 For **every type** of Yukawa couplings, we can prove that the DM-nucleon scattering amplitude at tree level **vanishes** in the zero momentum transfer limit  
 [XM Jiang, CF Cai, **ZHY**, YP Zeng, HH Zhang, 1907.09684, PRD]

## Phenomenological Constraints



12 free parameters in the model

$$v_s, m_\chi, m_{12}^2, \tan\beta, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4, \lambda_5, \lambda_S, \kappa_1, \kappa_2$$



Require **positive**  $m_{h_i}^2$ ,  $m_a^2$ , and  $m_{H^+}^2$ , and a **bounded-from-below** potential



One of the  $CP$ -even Higgs bosons,  $h_{\text{SM}}$ , has a mass within the  $3\sigma$  range of the measured SM-like Higgs boson mass  $m_h = 125.18 \pm 0.16 \text{ GeV}$  [PDG 2018]



The SM-like Higgs boson  $h_{\text{SM}}$  is further tested 95% C.L. by LilitH based on **current LHC Higgs measurements** [Kraml *et al.*, 1908.03952, SciPost Phys.]



Constraints from **B-meson decays**  $B_d \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ ,  $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ , and  $B \rightarrow X_s \gamma$  with **flavor-changing neutral currents** (FCNCs) [Haller *et al.*, 1803.01853, EPJC]



Require the predicted **DM relic density**  $\Omega_{\text{DM}} h^2$  lying within the  $3\sigma$  range of the Planck measured value  $0.1200 \pm 0.0012$  [Planck coll., 1807.06209, A&A]



Constraints on **DM annihilation** from combined  **$\gamma$ -ray observations** of dwarf galaxies by Fermi-LAT and MAGIC [MAGIC & Fermi-LAT, 1601.06590, JCAP]

# Effective Potential

🌶️ Different **local minima** in the **effective potential**  $V_{\text{eff}}$  of the scalar fields  
 👉 Different **phases**      👉 **Phase transitions**

🌸 We assume that only the *CP*-even neutral scalar fields  $(\rho_1, \rho_2, s)$  develop VEVs in the cosmological history

👁️ As a function of the **classical background fields**  $(\tilde{\rho}_1, \tilde{\rho}_2, \tilde{s})$  and the **temperature**  $T$ ,

$$V_{\text{eff}}(\tilde{\rho}_1, \tilde{\rho}_2, \tilde{s}, T) = V_0 + V_1 + V_{\text{CT}} + V_{1\text{T}} + V_{\text{D}}$$

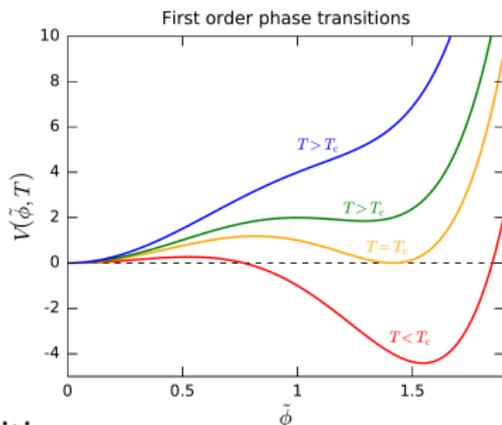
🍊 Tree-level potential  $V_0$

🍒 1-loop zero-temperature corrections  $V_1$

🍑 Counter terms  $V_{\text{CT}}$  for keeping the VEV positions and the renormalized mass-squared matrix of the *CP*-even neutral scalars

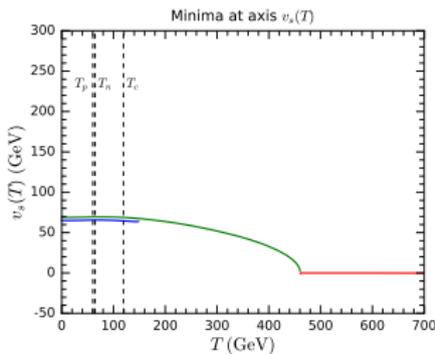
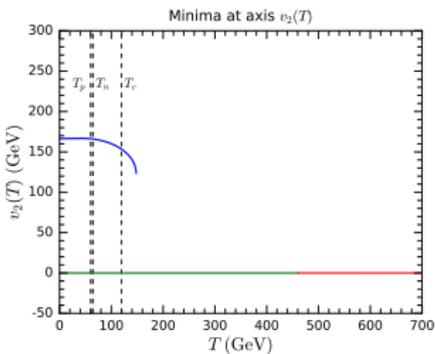
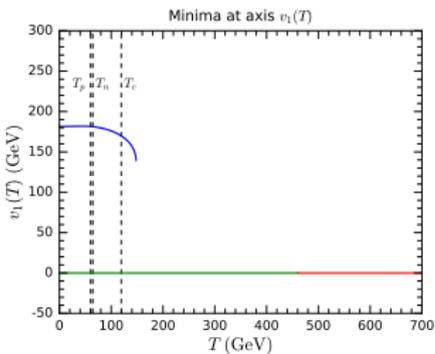
🍓 1-loop finite-temperature corrections  $V_{1\text{T}}(T)$

🍉 Daisy diagram contributions  $V_{\text{D}}(T)$  beyond 1-loop at finite temperature



# Temperature Evolution of Local Minima

- ⚙️ We utilize **CosmoTransitions** to analyze the phase transitions
- 🔥 At sufficiently high temperatures, the only minimum in the effective potential is the **gauge symmetric minimum**  $(\tilde{\rho}_1, \tilde{\rho}_2, \tilde{s}) = (0, 0, 0)$
- 🌕 As the Universe cools down , **extra minima** may appear
- 🌑 **Multi-step** cosmological phase transitions typically occur in this model
- 🌑 If there are two coexisted minima separated by a **high barrier**, a **strong FOPT** could take place, resulting in **stochastic gravitational waves** 
- 🌑 At last, the system is trapped at the **true vacuum**  $(\tilde{\rho}_1, \tilde{\rho}_2, \tilde{s}) = (v_1, v_2, v_s)$



# Bubble Nucleation in a FOPT

🎈 A FOPT from a **false vacuum** to the **true vacuum** nucleates **bubbles**, inside which the system is trapped at the true vacuum

🚩 **Bubble nucleation rate**  $\Gamma \sim T^4 e^{-S}$

🐟 The action  $S = \min(S_4, S_3/T)$

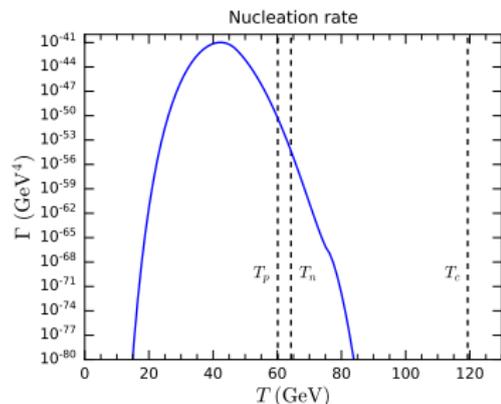
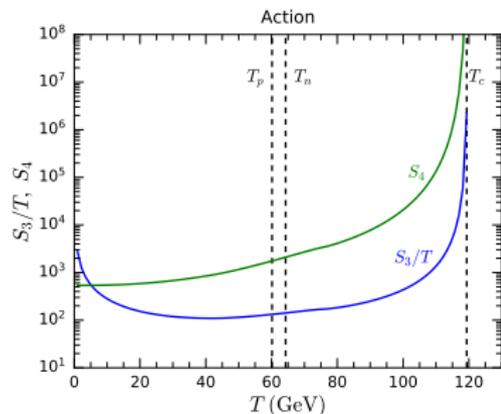
🐬 O(4)-symmetric **quantum tunneling action**  $S_4$

🐬 O(3)-symmetric **thermal fluctuation action**

$$S_3 = 4\pi \int_0^\infty dr r^2 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{d\phi_i}{dr} \frac{d\phi_i}{dr} + V_{\text{eff}}(\phi_i, T) \right]$$

🎯 Bounce solution  $\phi_i(r) = (\tilde{\rho}_1(r), \tilde{\rho}_2(r), \tilde{s}(r))$   
with the bubble radius  $r$  satisfying

$$\begin{cases} \frac{d^2\phi_i}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{d\phi_i}{dr} = \frac{\partial V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \phi_i} \\ \left. \frac{d\phi_i}{dr} \right|_{r=0} = 0, \quad \phi_i(\infty) = \phi_i^{\text{false}} \end{cases}$$



## Key Quantities of a FOPT

☀️ The **released vacuum energy density** in the FOPT

$$\rho_{\text{vac}} = V_{\text{eff}}(\phi_i^{\text{false}}, T) - V_{\text{eff}}(\phi_i^{\text{true}}, T) - T \frac{\partial}{\partial T} [V_{\text{eff}}(\phi_i^{\text{false}}, T) - V_{\text{eff}}(\phi_i^{\text{true}}, T)]$$

👉 **Gradient energy** of the scalar field  $\Rightarrow$  **Bubble expansion** 🎈

👉 **Thermal energy** 🔥 and **bulk kinetic energy** 🚰 of the plasma

💪 **Phase transition strength**  $\alpha \equiv \frac{\rho_{\text{vac}}}{\rho_{\text{rad}}}$ , where  $\rho_{\text{rad}} = \frac{\pi^2}{30} g_* T^4$  is the radiation energy density in the plasma with  $g_*$  the effective relativistic degrees of freedom

🕒  $\beta(T') \equiv -\left. \frac{dS}{dt} \right|_{t=t'} = \left( HT \frac{dS}{dT} \right) \Big|_{T=T'}$  roughly describes the **inverse time**

**duration** of the FOPT at a characteristic temperature  $T'$

👉 A larger  $\alpha$  implies a **stronger** FOPT, and a smaller  $\beta$  means a **longer** FOPT

🌱 The dimensionless quantity  $\tilde{\beta}(T') \equiv \frac{\beta(T')}{H(T')}$  compares the cosmological expansion time scale  $H^{-1}$  with the phase transition time scale  $\beta^{-1}$  at  $T = T'$

# Key Temperatures of a FOPT

 **Critical temperature**  $T_c$ : the potential values at the two minima are equal

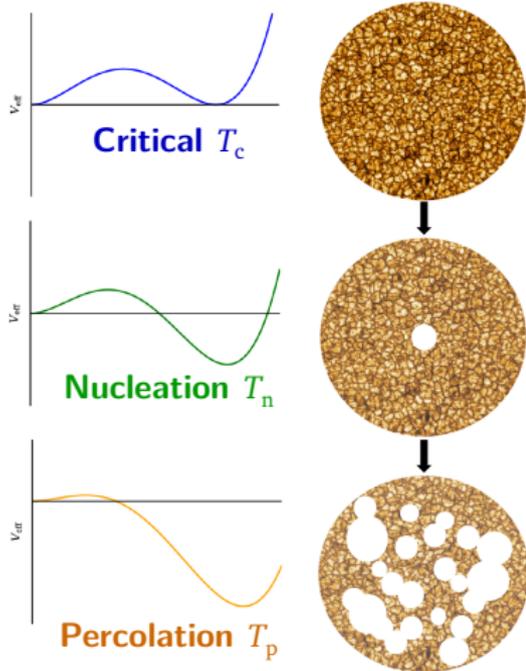
 **Nucleation temperature**  $T_n$ : one single bubble is nucleated within a Hubble volume

$$\frac{S_3(T_n)}{T_n} \simeq 141.5 - 2 \ln \frac{g_*}{100} - 4 \ln \frac{T_n}{100 \text{ GeV}} - \ln \frac{\tilde{\beta}(T_n)}{100}$$

 **Percolation temperature**  $T_p$ : percolation occurs when the fraction of space converted to the true vacuum reaches  $\sim 29\%$ , corresponding to the **maximum of bubble collisions**

$$\frac{S_3(T_p)}{T_p} \simeq 132.0 - 2 \ln \frac{g_*}{100} - 4 \ln \frac{T_p}{100 \text{ GeV}} - 4 \ln \frac{\tilde{\beta}(T_p)}{100} + 3 \ln v_w$$

  $v_w$  is the **velocity of the bubble wall**



[X Wang, FP Huang, XM Zhang,  
2003.08892, JCAP]

# Bubble Expansion in the Plasma

🎈 The bubble expansion depends on the interactions between the bubble wall and the plasma, analogous to **chemical combustion in a relativistic fluid**

🐚 **Hydrodynamic** analyses show that bubble expansion have various **modes**

🐻 Subsonic deflagrations 🐮 Supersonic deflagrations (hybrid)

🦁 Jouguet detonations 🐷 Weak detonations 🐰 Runway bubble walls

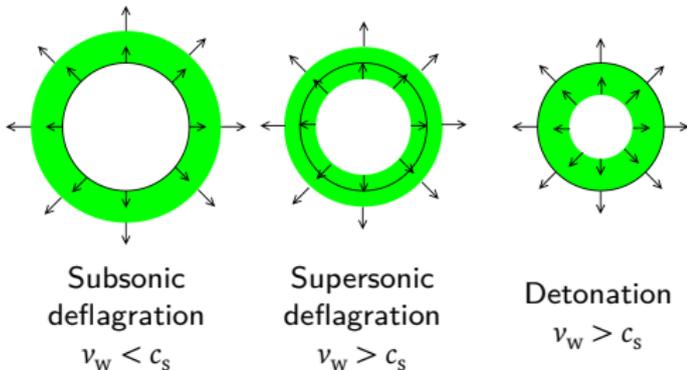
🐒 It is difficult to completely work out the bubble wall velocity  $v_w$

🦁 For **Jouguet detonations**, the Chapman-Jouguet condition leads to a bubble wall velocity of

$$v_{CJ} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{3\alpha^2 + 2\alpha}}{\sqrt{3}(1 + \alpha)},$$

which is larger than the **sound speed** in the plasma  $c_s \simeq 1/\sqrt{3}$

👉 This is a **typical** assumption when evaluating GW signals



[Espinosa et al., 1004.4187, JCAP]

# Energy Budget of a FOPT

🦀 Define **efficiency factors** by the fractions of the available vacuum energy

📍  $\kappa_\phi$ : the fraction converted into the **gradient energy** of the scalar fields

👉 It is typically **negligible**, except for runaway bubble walls ( $v_w \rightarrow 1$ )

📍  $\kappa_v$ : the fraction converted into the kinetic energy of the **fluid bulk motion**

👉 It depends on the **FOPT strength**  $\alpha$  and the **bubble wall velocity**  $v_w$

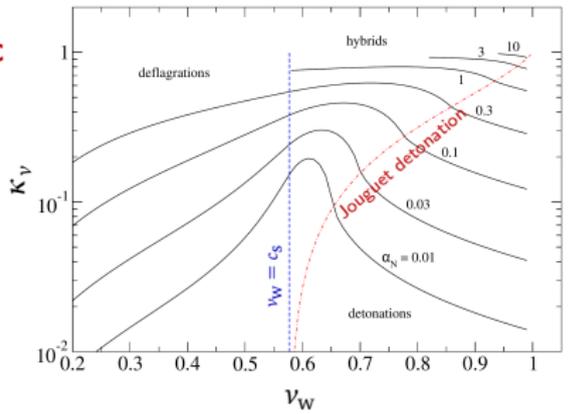
💥  $\kappa_{\text{turb}}$ : the fraction converted into the kinetic energy of **magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) turbulence**

👉 Recent simulations suggest that

$\kappa_{\text{turb}} \simeq 5\text{--}10\% \kappa_v$  at most

🦁 For **Jouguet detonations**,  $v_w = v_{\text{CJ}}$ ,

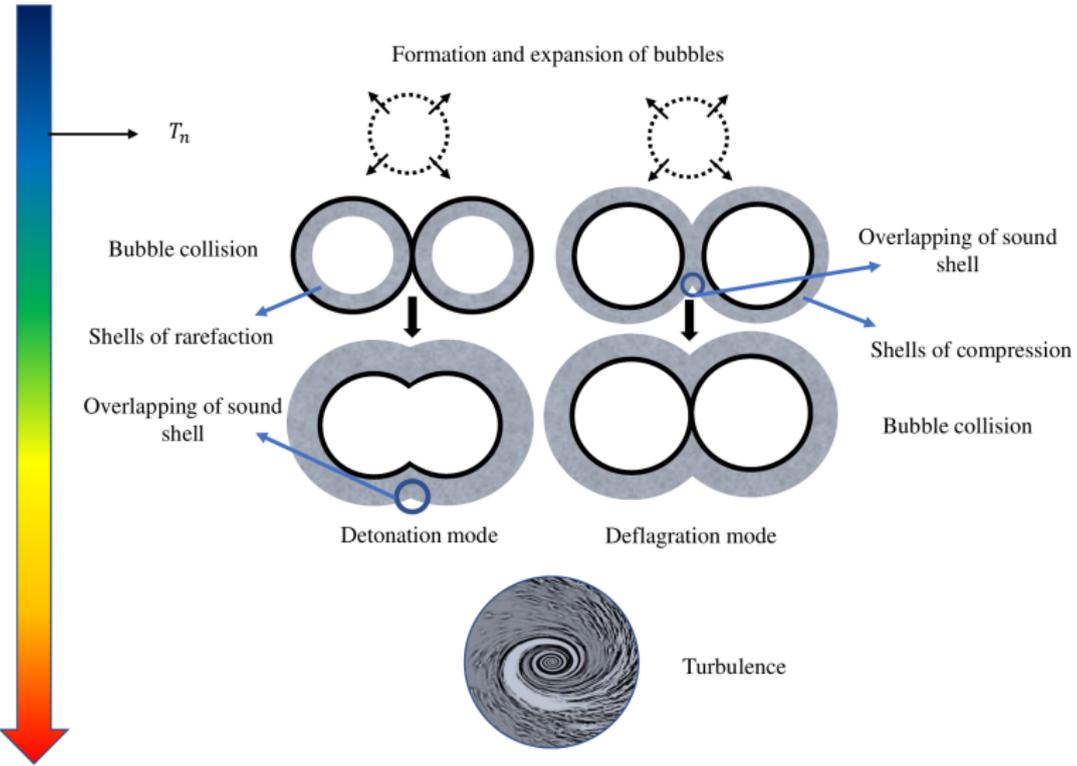
and  $\kappa_v^{\text{CJ}} = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{0.135 + \sqrt{0.98 + \alpha}}$



[Espinosa et al., 1004.4187, JCAP]

# Physical Processes in a FOPT

High temperature



Low temperature

[X Wang, FP Huang, XM Zhang, 2003.08892, JCAP]

## GW Sources in a FOPT

 An electroweak FOPT could induce significant **perturbations** of the metric and produce **stochastic GWs around  $f \sim \text{mHz}$** , whose spectrum depend on  $\alpha$  and  $\tilde{\beta}$  at  $t = t_*$  (corresponding to  $T \sim T_p$ ) when the GWs are produced

 The resulting **GW spectrum** is commonly expressed as  $\Omega_{\text{GW}} = \frac{f}{\rho_c} \frac{d\rho_{\text{GW}}}{df}$

  $\rho_{\text{GW}}$  is the present GW energy density,  $\rho_c$  is the critical density

 Three **GW sources**:  $\Omega_{\text{GW}} = \Omega_{\text{col}} + \Omega_{\text{sw}} + \Omega_{\text{turb}}$

 **Bubble collisions**:  $\Omega_{\text{col}} \propto \kappa_\phi^2$  is **negligible** except for runaway bubble walls

 **Sound waves**: sound shells propagate into the fluid as sound waves

$$\Omega_{\text{sw}} h^2 = 1.17 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\Upsilon v_w}{\tilde{\beta}} \left( \frac{\kappa_v \alpha}{1 + \alpha} \right)^2 \left( \frac{100}{g_*} \right)^{1/3} \left( \frac{f}{f_{\text{sw}}} \right)^3 \left( \frac{7}{4 + 3f^2/f_{\text{sw}}^2} \right)^{7/2}$$

 This is the **dominant** source;  $\Upsilon$  accounts for the duration of sound waves

 **MHD turbulence**: bubble collisions stir up turbulence in the fluid

$$\Omega_{\text{turb}} h^2 = 3.35 \times 10^{-4} \frac{v_w}{\tilde{\beta}} \left( \frac{\kappa_{\text{turb}} \alpha}{1 + \alpha} \right)^{3/2} \left( \frac{100}{g_*} \right)^{1/3} \frac{(f/f_{\text{turb}})^3}{(1 + f/f_{\text{turb}})^{11/3} (1 + 8\pi f/h_*)}$$

# GW Signals from pNGB DM and 2 Higgs Doublets

 **Random scans** for **Type-I** and **Type-II** Yukawa couplings

$$10 \text{ GeV} < \nu_s < 1 \text{ TeV}, \quad 58 \text{ GeV} < m_\chi < 800 \text{ GeV},$$

$$\text{GeV}^2 < |m_{12}^2| < (500 \text{ GeV})^2, \quad 0.5 < \tan \beta < 20,$$

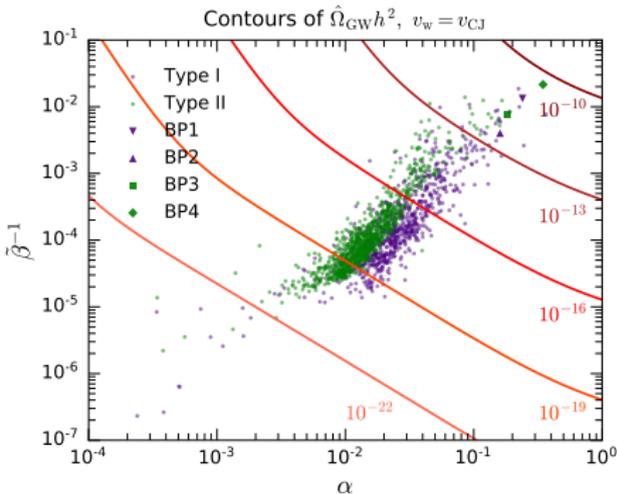
$$0.8 < \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_S, |\lambda_3|, |\lambda_4|, |\lambda_5| < 8, \quad 0.01 < |\kappa_1|, |\kappa_2| < 8$$

 The parameter points are required to give an observed DM relic abundance, and to pass all the existed experimental constraints, and to cause a **FOPT**

 The resulting **relic GW spectra** are further estimated, assuming **Jouguet detonations** with  $\nu_w = \nu_{CJ}$

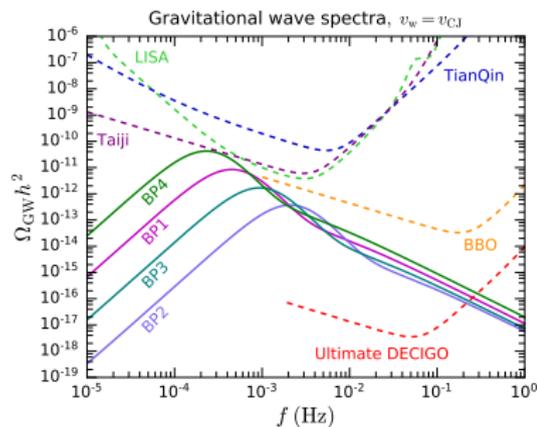
 Contours correspond to the **peak amplitude** of the GW spectrum  $\hat{\Omega}_{GW} h^2$

 A **larger**  $\alpha$  and a **larger**  $\tilde{\beta}^{-1}$  imply a stronger and longer FOPT, leading to a **more significant** GW signal



# Benchmark Points (BPs)

	BP1	BP2	BP3	BP4
Type	I	I	II	II
$v_s$ (GeV)	542.40	384.26	64.987	138.82
$m_\chi$ (GeV)	117.88	78.191	134.03	76.678
$m_{12}^2$ ( $10^4$ GeV $^2$ )	2.0210	0.015876	17.696	15.042
$\tan\beta$	2.8616	3.2654	0.91655	1.1732
$\lambda_1$	2.1496	2.1882	1.5297	0.87839
$\lambda_2$	0.80887	0.85479	1.2074	0.80222
$\lambda_3$	2.3925	2.2628	1.5741	2.8002
$\lambda_4$	3.0027	1.4715	5.3967	4.4643
$\lambda_5$	-6.2187	-4.0567	-7.8556	-7.5755
$\lambda_S$	3.4048	2.5502	6.0689	4.8644
$\kappa_1$	-1.4852	1.0295	0.80378	-0.38075
$\kappa_2$	1.1727	-1.2142	-0.83745	-0.14591
$m_{h_1}$ (GeV)	125.11	91.459	125.38	124.87
$m_{h_2}$ (GeV)	282.02	124.77	158.83	307.56
$m_{h_3}$ (GeV)	1014.5	641.83	650.98	582.08
$m_a$ (GeV)	664.75	496.49	911.87	874.04
$m_{H^\pm}$ (GeV)	402.96	280.94	655.60	631.66
$\langle\sigma_{\text{ann}}v\rangle_{\text{dwarf}}$ ( $10^{-26}$ cm $^3$ /s)	1.30	0.368	1.72	0.682
$\alpha$	<b>0.240</b>	<b>0.160</b>	<b>0.181</b>	<b>0.346</b>
$\tilde{\beta}^{-1}$ ( $10^{-2}$ )	<b>1.33</b>	<b>0.402</b>	<b>0.771</b>	<b>2.15</b>
$T_p$ (GeV)	55.3	74.9	60.2	47.2
$\text{SNR}_{\text{LISA}}$	96.6	37.7	60.1	120
$\text{SNR}_{\text{Taiji}}$	83.3	23.9	42.3	155
$\text{SNR}_{\text{TianQin}}$	5.50	2.39	3.07	9.20



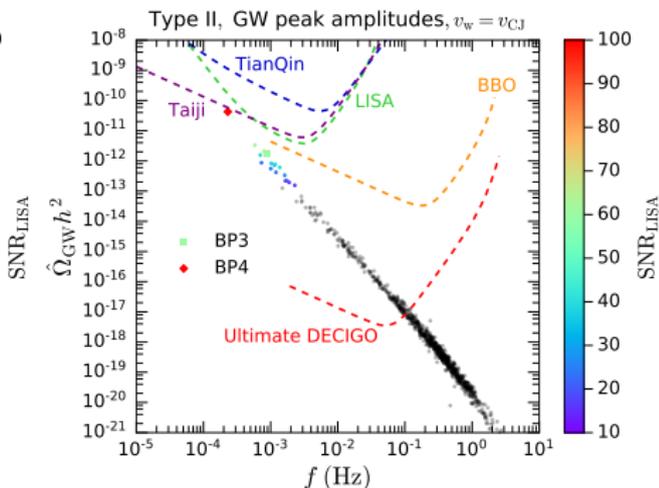
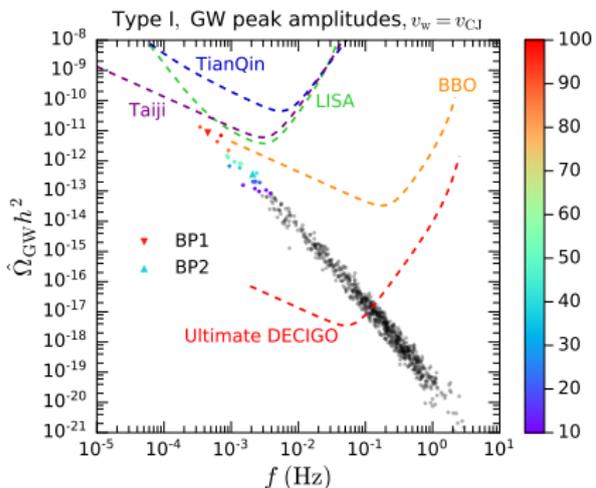
For a practical observation time  $\mathcal{T}$ , the **signal-to-noise ratio** is

$$\text{SNR} \equiv \sqrt{\mathcal{T} \int_{f_{\text{min}}}^{f_{\text{max}}} \frac{\Omega_{\text{GW}}^2(f)}{\Omega_{\text{sens}}^2(f)} df}$$

Take  $\mathcal{T} = 3$  yr for LISA, Taiji, TianQin

For the six (four) link configuration, the detection threshold is  $\text{SNR}_{\text{thr}} = 10$  (50)

# Peak Amplitudes and Signal-to-noise Ratios



🎨 The **colored points** leads to  $\text{SNR}_{\text{LISA}} > 10$ , promising to be probed by **LISA**

🦄 Based on current information, the sensitivity of **Taiji** could be similar to LISA, while **TianQin** may be somehow less sensitive

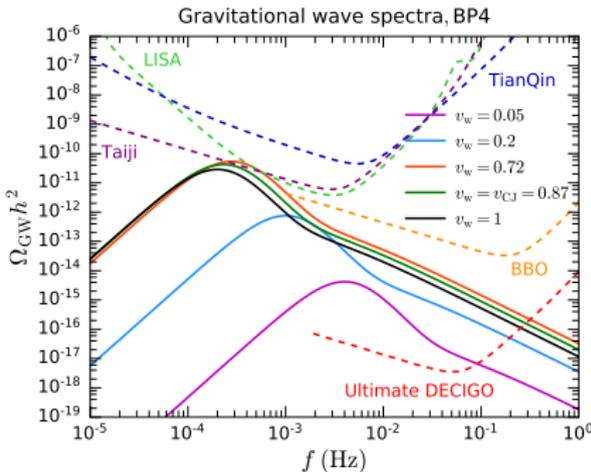
🎯 Far future plans aiming at  $f \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$  Hz, like **BBO** and **DECIGO**, may explore much more parameter points

# Dependence on Bubble Expansion Modes and $v_w$

⚓ The previous results for GW signals are estimated by assuming **Jouguet detonations** with  $v_w = v_{CJ}$

⚒ For different **bubble expansion modes**, the dependence of  $\kappa_v$  on  $v_w$  and  $\alpha$  is different

⚖ In order to show such a dependence, we additionally estimate the GW spectra for **BP4** under the following assumptions



🐻 **Subsonic deflagrations** with  $v_w = 0.05$  👉 very weak GW signal

🐼 **Subsonic deflagrations** with  $v_w = 0.2$  👉 weak GW signal

🐷 **Detonations** with  $v_w = 1$  👉 strong GW signal

🦁 **Jouguet detonations** with  $v_w = v_{CJ} = 0.87$  👉  $SNR_{TianQin} = 9.2$

🐮 **Supersonic deflagrations** with  $v_w = 0.72$  👉 strongest GW signal

👉  $SNR_{TianQin} = 15.8$  👉 could be properly tested by TianQin

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**Thanks for your attention!**

# Yukawa Couplings

🙄 In 2HDMs, diagonalizing the **fermion mass matrix** cannot make sure that the **Yukawa interactions** are simultaneously diagonalized

👉 **Tree-level FCNCs** 👉 violate flavor physics observations

😊 If all fermions with the same quantum numbers just couple to the one **same** Higgs doublet, the FCNCs will be **absent** at tree level

[Glashow & Weinberg, PRD 15, 1958 (1977); Paschos, PRD 15, 1966 (1977)]

🐍 This can be achieved by assuming particular  $Z_2$  **symmetries** for the Higgs doublets and fermions

🐪 **Four independent types** of Yukawa couplings without tree-level FCNCs

**Type I:**  $\mathcal{L}_{Y,I} = -y_{\ell_i} \bar{L}_{iL} \ell_{iR} \Phi_2 - \tilde{y}_d^{ij} \bar{Q}_{iL} d'_{jR} \Phi_2 - \tilde{y}_u^{ij} \bar{Q}_{iL} u'_{jR} \tilde{\Phi}_2 + \text{H.c.}$

**Type II:**  $\mathcal{L}_{Y,II} = -y_{\ell_i} \bar{L}_{iL} \ell_{iR} \Phi_1 - \tilde{y}_d^{ij} \bar{Q}_{iL} d'_{jR} \Phi_1 - \tilde{y}_u^{ij} \bar{Q}_{iL} u'_{jR} \tilde{\Phi}_2 + \text{H.c.}$

**Lepton specific:**  $\mathcal{L}_{Y,L} = -y_{\ell_i} \bar{L}_{iL} \ell_{iR} \Phi_1 - \tilde{y}_d^{ij} \bar{Q}_{iL} d'_{jR} \Phi_2 - \tilde{y}_u^{ij} \bar{Q}_{iL} u'_{jR} \tilde{\Phi}_2 + \text{H.c.}$

**Flipped:**  $\mathcal{L}_{Y,F} = -y_{\ell_i} \bar{L}_{iL} \ell_{iR} \Phi_2 - \tilde{y}_d^{ij} \bar{Q}_{iL} d'_{jR} \Phi_1 - \tilde{y}_u^{ij} \bar{Q}_{iL} u'_{jR} \tilde{\Phi}_2 + \text{H.c.}$

[Branco *et al.*, 1106.0034, Phys. Rept.]

# Vanishing of DM-nucleon Scattering

🥚 Take the **type-I** Yukawa couplings as an example

🐣 **Higgs portal** interactions  $\mathcal{L}_{h_i\chi^2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^3 g_{h_i\chi^2} h_i \chi^2$

$$g_{h_i\chi^2} = -\kappa_1 v_1 O_{1i} - \kappa_2 v_2 O_{2i} - \lambda_S v_s O_{3i}$$

🐣 **DM-quark scattering** amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}(\chi q \rightarrow \chi q) \propto \frac{m_q}{v_S \beta} \left( \frac{g_{h_1\chi^2} O_{21}}{t - m_{h_1}^2} + \frac{g_{h_2\chi^2} O_{22}}{t - m_{h_2}^2} + \frac{g_{h_3\chi^2} O_{23}}{t - m_{h_3}^2} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{m_q}{v_S \beta} (\kappa_1 v_1, \kappa_2 v_2, \lambda_S v_s) O(\mathcal{M}_h^2)^{-1} O^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{m_q}{v_S \beta} (\kappa_1 v_1, \kappa_2 v_2, \lambda_S v_s) (\mathcal{M}_{\rho_S}^2)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

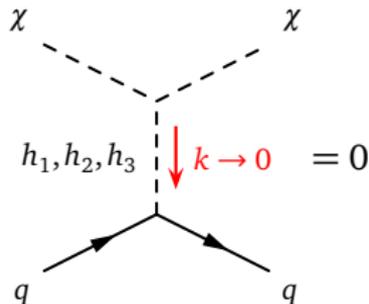
**Interaction basis expression**

$$= \frac{m_q}{v_S \beta \det(\mathcal{M}_{\rho_S}^2)} (\kappa_1 v_1 \mathcal{A}_{12} + \kappa_2 v_2 \mathcal{A}_{22} + \lambda_S v_s \mathcal{A}_{32}) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{M}_h^2 \equiv \text{diag}(m_{h_1}^2, m_{h_2}^2, m_{h_3}^2)$$

$$O(\mathcal{M}_h^2)^{-1} O^T = (\mathcal{M}_{\rho_S}^2)^{-1} = \frac{\mathcal{A}}{\det(\mathcal{M}_{\rho_S}^2)}, \quad \mathcal{A}_{12} = -(\lambda_{345} v_1 v_2 - m_{12}^2) \lambda_S v_s^2 + \kappa_1 \kappa_2 v_1 v_2 v_s^2$$

$$\mathcal{A}_{22} = (\lambda_1 v_1^2 + m_{12}^2 \tan \beta) \lambda_S v_s^2 - \kappa_1^2 v_1^2 v_s^2, \quad \mathcal{A}_{32} = -(\lambda_1 v_1^2 + m_{12}^2 \tan \beta) \kappa_2 v_2 v_s + (\lambda_{345} v_1 v_2 - m_{12}^2) \kappa_1 v_1 v_s$$



# Constraints from Flavor Physics and DM Indirect Detection

