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# Anti-particles and anti-matter (antinuclei)

From discovery of positron, 1930-32

*and all other antiparticles  
(antiproton, antineutron etc.)*



$$\left( \hbar mc^2 + \sum_{s=1}^2 \alpha_s p_s \epsilon \right) \psi(\mathbf{x}, t) = i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi(\mathbf{x}, t)}{\partial t}$$



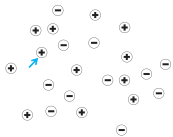
... to a great vision 1967

Matter (Baryon asymmetry) in the early universe can be originated (from zero) by New Interactions which

- Violate  $B$  (now better  $B - L$ ) and also CP
- and go out-of-equilibrium at some early epoch

$$\sigma(bb \rightarrow \bar{b}\bar{b}) / \sigma(\bar{b}\bar{b} \rightarrow bb) = 1 - \epsilon$$

$\epsilon \sim 10^{-9}$ : for every  $\sim 10^9$  processes *one unit of  $B$*  is left in the universe after the process is frozen



**There should be no antimatter in the Universe!**

In any case, matter should dominate the entire visible Universe  
No antimatter domain can exist within the horizon!

– Cohen, De Rujula, Glashow 1997

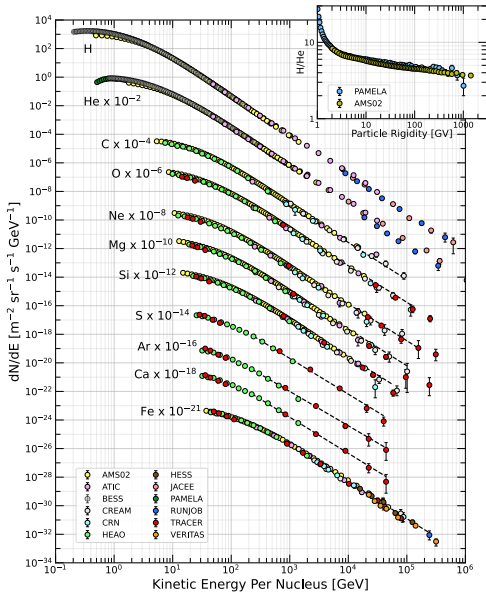


# Protons and Nuclei in cosmic rays

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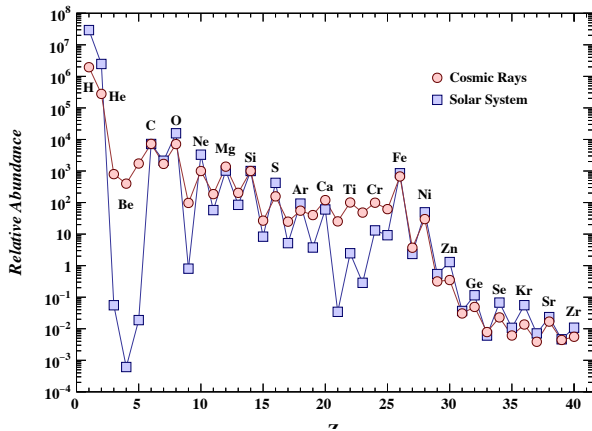


# Abundances: in cosmic rays vs. cosmological

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# Antiprotons in Cosmic Rays

$$\Phi_{\bar{p}}/\Phi_p \sim 10^{-4}$$

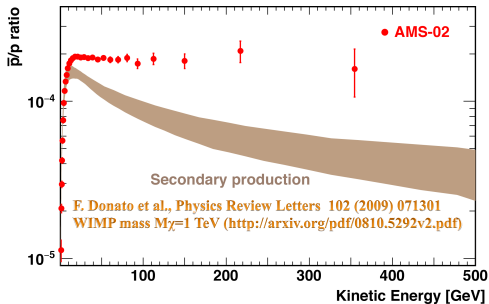
AMS-02

can be produced as secondaries in collisions of cosmic rays with interstellar gas, or can be signature of Dark Matter annihilation?

WIMP + WIMP to proton + antiproton? (electron + positron?)

$M_\chi \sim \text{few hundred GeV}$

Anti-deuteron test?



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# Antinuclei in Cosmic Rays ... AMS-02

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Eight anti-helium candidates were observed by AMS-02:

6 helium-3 and 2 helium-4 with energies  $\sim$  GeV

$$\Phi(\overline{\text{He}})/\Phi(\text{He}) \sim 10^{-8} \quad \text{– no anti deuteron candidate}$$
$$\Phi(\text{He}) \sim 10^3 \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}\text{sr}^{-1}$$

Discovery of a single **anti-He-4** nucleus challenges all known physics.

AMS-02 signal (once published) should point to highly non-trivial New Physics

LHC: Deuteron and triton-He3 are produced in  $pp$  collisions (in minuscule fractions) – but no He4 was ever seen ...

Some *specifically tuned* DM models could explain the flux of antihelium-3 – but hard for antihelium-4 !



# My hypothesis ...

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- There are dark stars (composed of DM) in the Universe
- They contain small antimatter eggs in their interiors (compressed by dark star gravity) – observable as a small antistar inside (invisible) dark star
- Gravitational mergers of dark stars "liberate" antimatter from their cores so producing anti-nuclei in cosmic rays





$$SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1) + SU(3)' \times SU(2)' \times U(1)'$$

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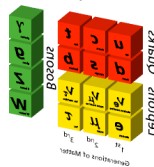
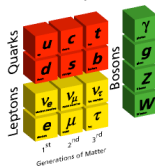
$$G \times G'$$

Regular world

Mirror world

Elementary Particles

Elementary Particles



- Two identical gauge factors, e.g.  $SU(5) \times SU(5)'$ , with identical field contents and Lagrangians:  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{tot}} = \mathcal{L} + \mathcal{L}' + \mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}}$
- Mirror sector ( $\mathcal{L}'$ ) is dark – or perhaps grey? ( $\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}} \rightarrow$  portals)
- MM is similar to standard matter (asymmetric/dissipative/atomic) but realized in somewhat different cosmological conditions ( $T'/T \ll 1$ )
- $G \leftrightarrow G'$  symmetry no new parameters in  $\mathcal{L}'$
- Cross-interactions between O & M particles  
 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}}$ : new operators – new parameters! limited only by experiment!



# Standard Model $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$

## Matter and Antimatter

*fermions and anti-fermions :*

$$q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \ell_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}; \quad u_R, d_R, \quad e_R$$

$B=1/3 \qquad L=1 \qquad B=1/3 \qquad L=1$



$\updownarrow$  CP

$$\bar{q}_R = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{u}_R \\ \bar{d}_R \end{pmatrix}, \quad \bar{\ell}_R = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\nu}_R \\ \bar{e}_R \end{pmatrix}; \quad \bar{u}_L, \bar{d}_L, \quad \bar{e}_L$$

$B=-1/3 \qquad L=-1 \qquad B=-1/3 \qquad L=-1$



C and P are maximally broken in weak interactions  
(not respected by gauge interactions)

but CP:  $F_L \rightarrow F_R^c \equiv \bar{F}_R = C\bar{F}_L^T = C\gamma_0(F_L)^*$  is a nearly good symmetry  
transforming **Left-handed matter**  $\rightarrow$  **Right-handed antimatter**

– broken *only* by complex phases of Yukawa couplings to Higgs doublet  $\phi$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = Y_{ij}\bar{F}_{Ri}F_{Lj}\phi = Y_{ij}\bar{F}_{Li}F_{Lj}\phi + \text{h.c.} \quad + \theta\text{-term in QCD}$$

B and L are automatically conserved in (renormalizable) couplings:  
accidental global symmetries  $U(1)_B$  and  $U(1)_L$

**B–L is conserved also by non-perturbative effects**

B–L breaking needs New Physics

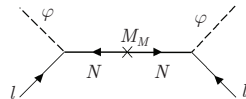
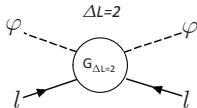


# B-L violation: Majorana masses of neutrinos

- $\frac{A}{M}(l\phi)(l\phi)$  ( $\Delta L = 2$ ) induces Majorana masses of neutrinos:  $m_\nu \sim v^2/M$   
– seesaw mechanism



$M \simeq 10^{15}$  GeV is the scale of new physics beyond EW scale  $\langle \phi \rangle = v \simeq$  Majorana masses of "new" singlet fermions (RH neutrinos)



Back to Sakharov: **baryon asymmetry of the Universe can be induced by L and CP-violation in decays:**  $\Gamma(N \rightarrow l\phi) \neq \Gamma(N \rightarrow \bar{l}\bar{\phi})$   
"redistributed" to non-zero B via non-perturbative SM effects  
– **Baryogenesis via Leptogenesis** – but the price is rather expensive

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# $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$ vs. $SU(3)' \times SU(2)' \times U(1)'$

Two possible parities: with and without chirality change

*fermions and anti-fermions :*

$$q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \ell_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_L \\ e_L \end{pmatrix}; \quad u_R, d_R, e_R$$

$B=1/3 \qquad L=1 \qquad B=1/3 \qquad L=1$



$\updownarrow$  CP

$$\bar{q}_R = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{u}_R \\ \bar{d}_R \end{pmatrix}, \quad \bar{\ell}_R = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\nu}_R \\ \bar{e}_R \end{pmatrix}; \quad \bar{u}_L, \bar{d}_L, \bar{e}_L$$

$B=-1/3 \qquad L=-1 \qquad B=-1/3 \qquad L=-1$



*Mirror fermions and antifermions :*

$$q'_L = \begin{pmatrix} u'_L \\ d'_L \end{pmatrix}, \quad \ell'_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu'_L \\ e'_L \end{pmatrix}; \quad u'_R, d'_R, e'_R$$

$B'=1/3 \qquad L'=1 \qquad B'=1/3 \qquad L'=1$



$\updownarrow$  CP

$$\bar{q}'_R = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{u}'_R \\ \bar{d}'_R \end{pmatrix}, \quad \bar{\ell}'_R = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\nu}'_R \\ \bar{e}'_R \end{pmatrix}; \quad \bar{u}'_L, \bar{d}'_L, \bar{e}'_L$$

$B'=-1/3 \qquad L'=-1 \qquad B'=-1/3 \qquad L'=-1$



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} = F_L Y \bar{F}_L \phi + \text{h.c.} \quad \mathcal{L}'_{\text{Yuk}} = F'_L Y' \bar{F}'_L \phi' + \text{h.c.}$$

$$Z_2: L(R) \leftrightarrow L'(R'): Y'_{u,d,e} = Y_{u,d,e} \quad B, L \leftrightarrow B', L'$$

$$Z_2^{LR}: L(R) \leftrightarrow R'(L'): Y'_{u,d,e} = Y^*_{u,d,e} \quad B, L \leftrightarrow -B', L' \quad Z_2^{LR} = Z_2 \times \text{CP}$$

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## – Sign of mirror baryon asymmetry ?

Ordinary BA is positive:  $\mathcal{B} = \text{sign}(n_b - n_{\bar{b}}) = 1$   
– as produced by (unknown) baryogenesis a la Sakharov!

Sign of mirror BA,  $\mathcal{B}' = \text{sign}(n_{b'} - n_{\bar{b}'})$ , is a priori unknown!

Imagine a baryogenesis mechanism *separately* acting in O and M sectors!  
– without involving cross-interactions in  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}}$

E.g. leptogenesis  $N \rightarrow \ell\phi$  and  $N' \rightarrow \ell'\phi'$

$Z_2$ :  $\rightarrow Y'_{u,d,e} = Y_{u,d,e}$  i.e.  $\mathcal{B}' = 1$

– O and M sectors are CP-identical in same chiral basis O=left, M=left

$Z_2^{LR}$ :  $\rightarrow Y'_{u,d,e} = Y_{u,d,e}^*$  i.e.  $\mathcal{B}' = -1$

– O sector in L-basis is identical to M sector in R-basis O=left, M=right

In the absence of cross-interactions in  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}}$  we cannot measure sign of BA (or chirality in weak interactions) in M sector – so all remains academic ...

But switching on cross-interactions, violating B/L & B'/-L' – as mixings  
neutron–neutron'  $\epsilon nn' + \text{h.c.}$   $\Delta(B-B') = 0$  or  $\nu\nu' + \text{h.c.}$   $\Delta(L-L') = 0$

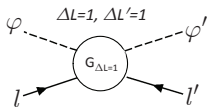
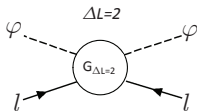
$\mathcal{B}' = -1 \rightarrow \bar{n}' \rightarrow n$  M (anti)matter  $\rightarrow$  O matter but  $\bar{\nu}' \rightarrow \bar{\nu}$

$\mathcal{B}' = 1 \rightarrow n' \rightarrow \bar{n}$  M matter  $\rightarrow$  O antimatter but  $\nu' \rightarrow \nu$



# B-L violation in O and M sectors: Active-sterile mixing

- $\frac{A}{M}(\ell\phi)(\ell\phi)$  ( $\Delta L = 2$ ) – neutrino (seesaw) masses  $m_\nu \sim v^2/M$



- Neutrino -mirror neutrino mixing – (active - sterile mixing)  
 $L$  and  $L'$  violation:  $\frac{A}{M}(\ell\phi)(\ell\phi)$ ,  $\frac{A}{M}(\ell'\phi')(\ell'\phi')$  and  $\frac{B}{M}(\ell\phi)(\ell'\phi')$

Akhmedov, ZB, Senjanovic 1992; Silagadze 1995

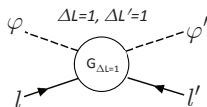
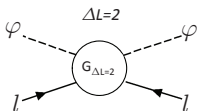
ZB and Mohapatra, 1995, Foot and Volkas 1995

Mirror neutrinos as most natural candidates for sterile neutrinos – they are light by the same reasons as normal neutrinos, and mixing is naturally large:  $m'_{\nu}/m_\nu = (v'/v)^2$ ,  $\tan 2\theta_{\nu\nu'} = v/v'$



# $\nu - \nu'$ mixing and co-leptogenesis between O and M worlds

L and  $L'$  violating operators  $\frac{1}{M}(l\phi)(l\phi)$  and  $\frac{1}{M}(l\phi)(l'\phi')$  lead to processes  $l\phi \rightarrow \bar{l}\bar{\phi}$  ( $\Delta L = 2$ ) and  $l\phi \rightarrow \bar{l}'\bar{\phi}'$  ( $\Delta L = 1, \Delta L' = 1$ )



After inflation, our world is heated and mirror world is empty: but ordinary particle scatterings transform them into mirror particles, heating also mirror world.

- These processes should be **out-of-equilibrium**
- **Violate** baryon numbers in both worlds,  $B - L$  and  $B' - L'$
- **Violate** also CP, given complex couplings

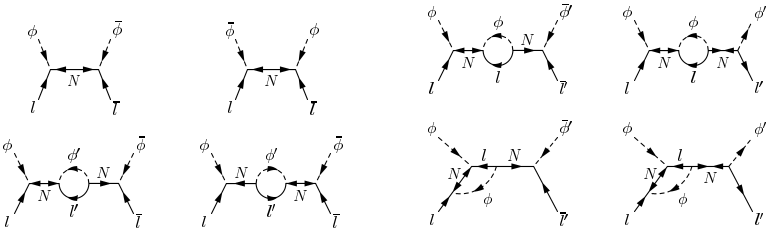
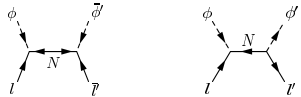
Celebrated conditions of Sakharov + Kuzmin Rubakov Shaposhnikov  
Co-leptogenesis Z.B. and Bento, PRL 87, 231304 (2001)



# Co-leptogenesis:

Z.B. and Bento, PRL 87, 231304 (2001)

Operators  $\frac{1}{M}(l\bar{\phi})(l\bar{\phi})$  and  $\frac{1}{M}(l\bar{\phi})(l'\bar{\phi}')$  via seesaw mechanism – heavy RH neutrinos  $N_j$  with Majorana masses  $\frac{1}{2}Mg_{jk}N_jN_k + \text{h.c.}$



Complex Yukawa couplings  $Y_{ij}l_iN_j\bar{\phi} + Y'_{ij}l'_iN_j\bar{\phi}' + \text{h.c.}$

$Z_2$  (Xerox) symmetry  $\rightarrow Y' = Y$ ,  
 $Z_2^{LR}$  (Mirror) symmetry  $\rightarrow Y' = Y^*$

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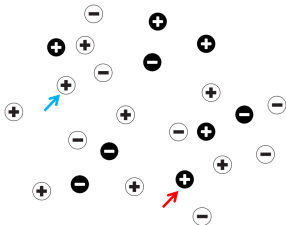




# Co-leptogenesis: Sign of Mirror BA

Z.B., arXiv:1602.08599

*Hot O World*  $\rightarrow$  *Cold M World*



$$\frac{dn_{\text{BL}}}{dt} + (3H + \Gamma)n_{\text{BL}} = \Delta\sigma n_{\text{eq}}^2$$

$$\frac{dn'_{\text{BL}}}{dt} + (3H + \Gamma')n'_{\text{BL}} = \Delta\sigma' n_{\text{eq}}^2$$

$$\sigma(l\phi \rightarrow \bar{l}\bar{\phi}) - \sigma(\bar{l}\bar{\phi} \rightarrow l\phi) = \Delta\sigma$$

$$\sigma(l\phi \rightarrow \bar{l}'\bar{\phi}') - \sigma(\bar{l}'\bar{\phi}' \rightarrow l'\phi') = -(\Delta\sigma + \Delta\sigma')/2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (\Delta\sigma = 0)$$

$$\sigma(l\phi \rightarrow l'\phi') - \sigma(\bar{l}'\bar{\phi}' \rightarrow \bar{l}\bar{\phi}) = -(\Delta\sigma - \Delta\sigma')/2 \rightarrow \Delta\sigma \quad (0)$$

$$\Delta\sigma = \text{Im Tr}[g^{-1}(Y^\dagger Y)^* g^{-1}(Y'^\dagger Y') g^{-2}(Y^\dagger Y)] \times T^2/M^4$$

$$\Delta\sigma' = \Delta\sigma(Y \rightarrow Y')$$

$$\text{Mirror } (Z_2^{LR}): \quad Y' = Y^* \rightarrow \Delta\sigma' = -\Delta\sigma \rightarrow B > 0, B' > 0$$

$$\text{Xerox } (Z_2): \quad Y' = Y \rightarrow \Delta\sigma' = \Delta\sigma = 0 \rightarrow B, B' = 0$$

$$\text{If } k = \left(\frac{\Gamma}{H}\right)_{T=T_R} \ll 1, \text{ neglecting } \Gamma \text{ in eqs} \rightarrow n_{\text{BL}} = n'_{\text{BL}}$$

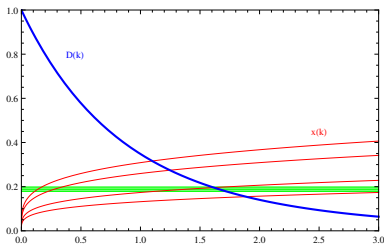
$$\Omega'_B = \Omega_B \simeq 10^3 \frac{J M_{\text{Pl}} T_R^3}{M^4} \simeq 10^3 J \left(\frac{T_R}{10^{11} \text{ GeV}}\right)^3 \left(\frac{10^{13} \text{ GeV}}{M}\right)^4$$



If  $k = \left(\frac{\Gamma_2}{H}\right)_{T=T_R} \sim 1$ , Boltzmann Eqs.

$$\frac{dn_{\text{BL}}}{dt} + (3H + \Gamma)n_{\text{BL}} = \Delta\sigma n_{\text{eq}}^2 \qquad \frac{dn'_{\text{BL}}}{dt} + (3H + \Gamma')n'_{\text{BL}} = \Delta\sigma n_{\text{eq}}^2$$

should be solved with  $\Gamma$ :



$D(k) = \Omega_B/\Omega'_B$ ,  $x(k) = T'/T$  for different  $g_*(T_R)$  and  $\Gamma_1/\Gamma_2$ .

So we obtain  $\Omega'_B = 5\Omega_B$  when  $m'_B = m_B$  but  $n'_B \simeq 5n_B$

– the reason: mirror world is colder

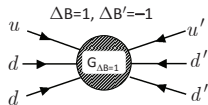
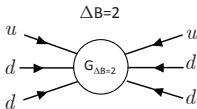
Alternative:  $n'_B \simeq n_B$  but  $m'_B \simeq 5m_B$  – if mirror parity is broken and  $v'/v \sim 10^2$  (case of Little Higgs)



# $B$ violating operators between $O$ and $M$ particles in $\mathcal{L}_{\text{mix}}$

- Neutron-mirror neutron mixing – (active - sterile neutrons)

$$\frac{1}{M^5} (udd)(udd) \quad \& \quad \frac{1}{M^5} (udd)(u'd'd')$$



Oscillations  $n \rightarrow \bar{n}$  ( $\Delta B = 2$ )

Oscillations  $n \rightarrow \bar{n}'$  ( $\Delta B = 1, \Delta B' = 1$ )  $B - B'$  is conserved

Exp. bounds on  $n - \bar{n}$  oscillation  $\tau = \varepsilon^{-1}$  –oscillation time

$\varepsilon < 7.5 \times 10^{-24} \text{ eV}$   $\rightarrow$   $\tau > 0.86 \times 10^8 \text{ s}$  direct limit free  $n$

$\varepsilon < 2.5 \times 10^{-24} \text{ eV}$   $\rightarrow$   $\tau > 2.7 \times 10^8 \text{ s}$  nuclear stability



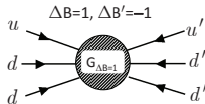
# Neutron – mirror neutron mixing

Effective operator  $\frac{1}{M^5}(udd)(u'd'd')$   $\rightarrow$  mixing  $\epsilon n C n' + \text{h.c.}$   
violating  $B$  and  $B'$  – but conserving  $B - B'$

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$$\epsilon = \langle n | (udd)(u'd'd') | \bar{n}' \rangle \sim \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^6}{M^5} \sim \left( \frac{10 \text{ TeV}}{M} \right)^5 \times 10^{-15} \text{ eV}$$

Key observation:  $n - \bar{n}'$  oscillation cannot destabilise nuclei:  
 $(A, Z) \rightarrow (A - 1, Z) + n' (p' e' \bar{\nu}')$  forbidden by energy conservation  
(In principle, it can destabilise Neutron Stars)

For  $m_n = m_{n'}$ ,  $n - \bar{n}'$  oscillation can be as fast as  $\epsilon^{-1} = \tau_{nn'} \sim 1 \text{ s}$   
without contradicting experimental and astrophysical limits.  
(c.f.  $\tau > 10 \text{ yr}$  for neutron – antineutron oscillation)

Neutron disappearance  $n \rightarrow \bar{n}'$  and regeneration  $n \rightarrow \bar{n}' \rightarrow n$   
can be searched at small scale 'Table Top' experiments



# Free Neutrons: Where to find Them ?

Neutrons are making 1/7 fraction of baryon mass in the Universe.

But most of neutrons bound in nuclei ....

$n \rightarrow \bar{n}'$  conversions can be seen only with free neutrons ... and, under some parameters, it can explain the neutron lifetime puzzle !

Free neutrons are present only in

- Reactors and Spallation Facilities (experiments are looking for)
- In Cosmic Rays ( $n - n'$  in TA and Auger experiments)
- During BBN epoch (fast  $n' \rightarrow \bar{n}$  can solve Lithium problem)

– Transition  $n \rightarrow \bar{n}'$  can take place for (gravitationally bound) Neutron Stars – conversion of NS into mixed ordinary/mirror NS

We do not observe the strong effects since  $n \rightarrow \bar{n}'$  is suppressed by some environmental factors (matter, magnetic field) or simply by some mass splitting between  $n - n'$

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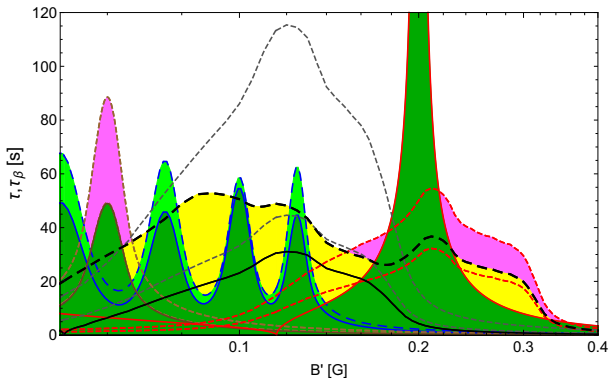
# Experiments

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By now  $\sim 15$  different experiments were done at ILL/PSI/ORNL



Several new experiments are underway at PSI, ILL and ORNL and are planned at ESS



# Neutron Star transformation by $n - n'$ conversion

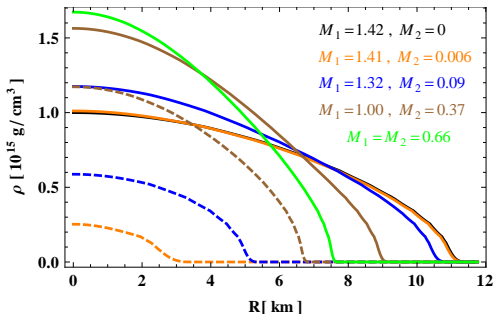
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$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -\Gamma N \quad \frac{dN'}{dt} = \Gamma \quad N + N' = N_0 \quad \text{remains Const.}$$

Initial state  $N = N_0, N' = 0$       final state  $N = N' = \frac{1}{2}N_0$



ZB, Biondi, Mannarelli, Tonelli, arXiv: 2012.15233



# Neutron Stars: $n - n'$ conversion

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Two states,  $n$  and  $n'$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} E(n_b) & \epsilon \\ \epsilon & E'(n_{b'}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$n_1 = \cos \theta n + \sin \theta n', \quad n_2 = \sin \theta n - \cos \theta n', \quad \theta \simeq \frac{\epsilon}{E - E'}$$

Fermi degenerate neutron liquid  $p_F \simeq (n_b/0.3 \text{ fm}^{-3})^{2/3} \times 400 \text{ MeV}$

$nn \rightarrow nn'$  with rate  $\Gamma = 2\theta^2 \eta \langle \sigma v \rangle n_b$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -\Gamma N \quad \frac{dN'}{dt} = \Gamma N \quad N + N' = N_0 \text{ remains Const.}$$

$$\tau_\epsilon = \Gamma^{-1} \sim \epsilon_{15}^{-2} \times 10^{15} \text{ yr} \quad N'/N_0 = t/\tau_\epsilon$$

for  $t = 10^{10} \text{ yr}$ ,  $\tau_\epsilon = 10^{15} \text{ yr}$  gives M fraction  $10^{-5}$   
 $\sim 10^{52}$  nucleons – few Earth mass

$$\dot{\epsilon} = \frac{E_F N}{\tau_\epsilon} = \left( \frac{10^{15} \text{ yr}}{\tau_\epsilon} \right) \times 10^{31} \text{ erg/s} \quad \text{NS heating – surface T}$$





# Mixed Neutron Stars: TOV and $M - R$ relations

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(-g_{tt}, g_{rr}, r^2, r^2 \sin^2 \theta) \quad g_{tt} = e^{2\phi}, \quad g_{rr} = \frac{1}{1-2m/r}$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} = T_{\mu\nu}^1 + T_{\mu\nu}^2 = \text{diag}(\rho g_{tt}, p g_{rr}, pr^2, pr^2 \sin^2 \theta)$$

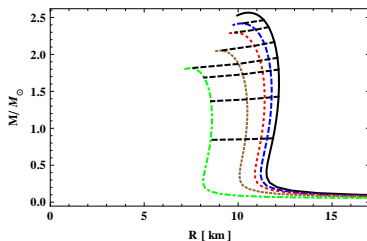
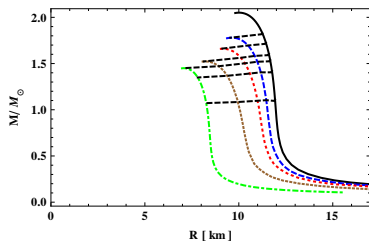
$$\rho = \rho_1 + \rho_2 \quad \& \quad p = p_1 + p_2, \quad p_\alpha = F(\rho_\alpha)$$

$$\frac{dm}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho \rightarrow \frac{dm_{1,2}}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \rho_{1,2} \quad m = m_1 + m_2$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{dr} = -\frac{1}{\rho+p} \frac{dp}{dr} \rightarrow \frac{dp_1/dr}{\rho_1+p_1} = \frac{dp_2/dr}{\rho_2+p_2}$$

$$\frac{dp}{dr} = (\rho + p) \frac{m+4\pi r^3}{2mr-r^2}$$

$$(m_1 \neq 0, m_2 = 0)_{\text{in}} \rightarrow (m_1 = m_2)_{\text{fin}} \quad r \rightarrow \frac{r}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad m_\alpha \rightarrow \frac{m_\alpha}{2\sqrt{2}}$$



$$\sqrt{2} \text{ rule: } M_{\text{mix}}^{\text{max}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} M_{\text{NS}}^{\text{max}} \quad R_{\text{mix}}(M) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} R_{\text{NS}}(M)$$

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# Transforming Dark Matter into Antimatter: $n$ or $\bar{n}$ ?

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Cross-interactions can induce mixing of neutral particles between two sectors, e.g.  $\nu - \nu'$  oscillations ( $M$  neutrinos = sterile neutrinos)

Oscillation  $n \rightarrow n'$  can be very effective process, **faster than the neutron decay**. For certain parameters it can explain the neutron lifetime problem,  $4.5\sigma$  discrepancy between the decay times measured by different experimental methods (bottle and beam), or anomalous neutron losses observed in some experiments and paradoxes in the UHECR detections

$n \rightarrow n'$  transition can have observable effects on neutron stars. It creates dark cores of  $M$  matter in the NS interiors, or eventually can transform them into maximally mixed stars with equal amounts of  $O$  and  $M$  neutrons

Such transitions in mirror NS create  $O$  matter cores. If baryon asymmetry in  $M$  sector has opposite sign, transitions  $\bar{n}' \rightarrow \bar{n}$  create antimatter cores which can be seen by LAT **by accreting ordinary gas** and explain the origin of anti-helium nuclei in cosmic rays **supposedly seen by AMS2**

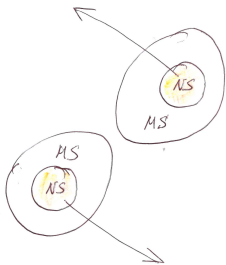


# Mergers of NS .. and mirror NS

NS-NS merger and kilonova (GW170817 ?)  
r-processes can give heavy \*trans-Iron\* elements

Mirror NS-NS merger is invisible (GW190425 ?  $M_{\text{tot}} = 3.4M_{\odot}$  )

But not completely ... if during the evolution they developed small core of our **antimatter** (depends on the mirror BA sign)  
– their mergers can be origin of antinuclei for AMS-2



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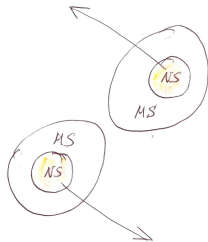
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# My hypothesis ... ZB, arXiv: 2106.11203

- DM from a hidden gauge sector having physics  $\sim$  to ordinary matter:  
 $SM \times SM' \quad e, p, n, \nu.. \leftrightarrow e', p', n', \nu' \quad SU(5) \times SU(5)', \dots E_8 \times E_8'$
- Neutron stars (NS) exist and NS-NS gravitational mergers are observed
- There exist dark neutron stars (NS') built of mirror neutrons  $n'$
- Neutron-mirror neutron mixing induces  $n' \rightarrow \bar{n}$  transition  
– antimatter "eggs" grow inside NS' – a small antistar inside NS'
- NS'-NS' mergers "liberate" the anti-nuclei with  $v \sim c$
- $\Phi_{\bar{b}} \sim R(NS' - NS') \times N_b^{NS} \times \tau_{\text{surv}} \times c \sim ?? \quad \tau_{\text{surv}} < 14 \text{ Gyr}$





# How large the antinuclear flux can be ?

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- $\Phi_{\bar{b}} \sim R(NS' - NS') \times N_{\bar{b}}^{NS} \times \tau_{\text{surv}} \times c$

Merger rate:

$$R(NS' - NS') \sim R(NS - NS) \sim 10^3 \text{ Gpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

Amount of antibarions produced in NS'

$$N_{\bar{b}} \sim N_0 \times (t_{\text{NS}}/\tau_{\epsilon}) \sim 3 \cdot 10^{52} \times (t_{\text{NS}}/10^{10} \text{ yr}) (10^{15} \text{ yr}/\tau_{\epsilon})$$

Survival time:

$$\tau_{\text{surv}} = (n_p \langle \sigma_{\text{ann}} v \rangle)^{-1} \simeq 3 \cdot 10^{14} \times (1 \text{ cm}^{-3}/n_p) \quad t_{\text{NS}}, \tau_{\text{surv}} < 14 \text{ Gyr}$$

- $\Phi_{\bar{b}} \sim \left( \frac{R}{10^3 \text{ Gpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}} \right) \left( \frac{N_{\bar{b}}}{10^{53}} \right) \left( \frac{\tau_{\text{surv}}}{10^{17} \text{ s}} \right) \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$



# Antinuclei in Cosmic Rays ... AMS-02

6 helium-3 and 2 helium-4 with energies  $\sim$  GeV

$\Phi(\overline{\text{He}})/\Phi(\text{He}) \sim 10^{-8}$  – no anti deuteron candidate

Discovery of a single anti-He-4 nucleus challenges all known physics.

AMS-02 signal (once published) will bring to a revolution in Physics

STing promised that AMS-02 will publish the anti-nuclei data as soon as they see first anti-carbon



My scenario is optimistic – this depends in burning conditions in antimatter core for nuclear reactions – depends on age, central density etc. – First it should start to produce helium as in the Sun (without initial Helium) – but then it can go to produce C-N-O and perhaps further ...

Everything is very simple as possible – but not simpler

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# Getting Energy from Dark Parallel World

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I argued that in O and M worlds baryon asymmetries can have same signs:  $B > 0$  and  $B' > 0$ . Since  $B - B'$  is conserved, our neutrons have transition  $n \rightarrow \bar{n}'$  (which is the antiparticle for M observer)

while  $n'$  (of M matter) oscillates  $n' \rightarrow \bar{n}$  into our antineutron

Neutrons can be transformed into antineutrons, but (happily) with low efficiency:  $\tau_{n\bar{n}} > 10^8$  s

dark neutrons, before they decay, can be effectively transformed into our antineutrons in controllable way, by tuning vacuum and magnetic fields, if  $\tau_{n\bar{n}'} < 10^3$  s

$E = 2m_n c^2 = 3 \times 10^{-3}$  erg  
per every  $\bar{n}$  annihilation



Two civilisations can agree to built scientific reactors and exchange neutrons ... we could get plenty of energy out of dark matter !

E.g. mirror source with  $3 \times 10^{17}$  n/s (PSI)  $\rightarrow$  power = 100 MW

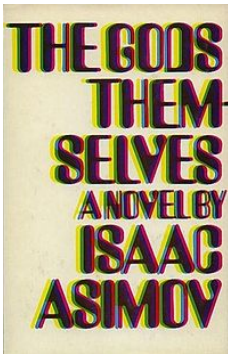


# Asimov Machine: the "Pump"

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**First Part:** Against Stupidity ...

**Second Part:** ...The Gods Themselves ...

**Third Part:** ... Contend in Vain?

*"Mit der Dummheit kämpfen Götter selbst vergebens!"* – Schiller

Radiochemist Hallam constructs the "Pump": a cheap, clean, and apparently endless source of energy functioning by the matter exchange between our universe and a parallel universe ....

His "discovery" was inspired by beings of parallel (mirror) world where stars were very old and so too cold – they had no more energy resources and were facing full extinction ...





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## Some auxiliary slides



# Looking for antimatter stars/planets

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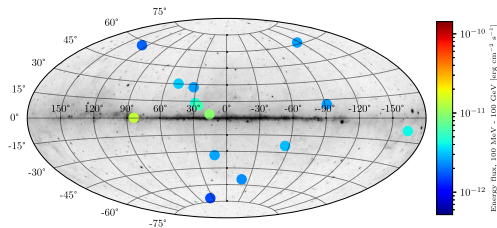


FIG. 1. Positions and energy flux in the 100 MeV–100 GeV range of antistar candidates selected in 4FGL-DR2. Galactic coordinates. The background image shows the *Fermi* 5-year all-sky photon counts above 1 GeV (image credit: NASA/DOE/Fermi LAT Collaboration).

$$\text{Antimatter production rate: } \dot{N}_{\bar{b}} = \frac{N_0}{\tau_{\epsilon}} \simeq \epsilon_{15}^2 \left( \frac{M}{M_{\odot}} \right)^{2/3} \times 3 \cdot 10^{34} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$\text{ISM accretion rate: } \dot{N}_b \simeq \frac{(2GM)^2 n_{\text{is}}}{v^3} \simeq \frac{10^{32}}{v_{100}^3} \times \left( \frac{n_{\text{is}}}{1/\text{cm}^3} \right) \left( \frac{M}{M_{\odot}} \right)^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Annihilation  $\gamma$ -flux from the mirror NS as seen at the Earth:

$$J \simeq \frac{10^{-12}}{v_{100}^3} \left( \frac{n_{\text{is}}}{1/\text{cm}^3} \right) \left( \frac{M}{1.5 M_{\odot}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{50 \text{ pc}}{d} \right)^2 \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{cm}^2 \text{ s}} \quad d - \text{distance to source}$$

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# Visible vs. Dark matter: $\Omega_D/\Omega_B \sim 1$ ?

Visible matter from Baryogenesis

$B$  ( $B - L$ ) & CP violation, Out-of-Equilibrium

$\rho_B = n_B m_B$ ,  $m_B \simeq 1 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\eta = n_B/n_\gamma \sim 10^{-9}$

$\eta$  is model dependent on several factors:

coupling constants and CP-phases, particle degrees of freedom, mass scales and out-of-equilibrium conditions, etc.



• Sakharov 1967

Dark matter:  $\rho_D = n_X m_X$ , but  $m_X = ?$ ,  $n_X = ?$

$n_X$  is model dependent: DM particle mass and interaction strength (production and annihilation cross sections), freezing conditions, etc.

- Axion                      •  $m_a \sim 10^{-5} \text{ eV}$      $n_a \sim 10^4 n_\gamma$  - CDM
- Neutrinos                •  $m_\nu \sim 10^{-1} \text{ eV}$      $n_\nu \sim n_\gamma$  - HDM (×)
- Sterile  $\nu'$               •  $m_{\nu'} \sim 10 \text{ keV}$      $n_{\nu'} \sim 10^{-3} n_\nu$  - WDM
- Mirror baryons        •  $m_{B'} \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$      $n_{B'} \sim n_B$  - ???
- WIMP                     •  $m_X \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$        $n_X \sim 10^{-3} n_B$  - CDM
- WimpZilla              •  $m_X \sim 10^{14} \text{ GeV}$      $n_X \sim 10^{-14} n_B$  - CDM

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# Quick overview of mirror dark matter ...

Parallel/mirror sector of particles as a duplicate of our SM:  $SM \times SM'$  (or  $SU(5) \times SU(5)'$  or  $E_8 \times E_8'$  or parallel branes ... or more sectors)  
– all our particles ( $e, p, n, \nu, \gamma, \dots$ ) have dark M twins ( $e', p', n', \nu', \gamma', \dots$ ) of exactly (or almost) the same masses

M matter is viable DM (asymmetric/baryonic/atomic/self-interacting/dissipative etc. as ordinary (O) baryon matter) – but M sector must be colder than O sector:  $T'/T < 0.2$  or so (BBN, CMB, LSS etc.)

– asymmetric reheating between the two sectors after inflation

– O matter mainly hydrogen (H 75%,  ${}^4\text{He}$  25%)

while M matter mostly helium (H' 25%,  ${}^4\text{He}'$  75%) – first M stars are formed earlier than O stars, are bigger, helium dominated and end up in heavy BH:  $M \sim (10 \div 10^2) M_\odot$  (inferring  $\sim 80\%$  of DM in galactic halo and for the rest of  $\sim 20\%$  – M gas clouds,  $\sim M_\odot$  stars etc.)

There can exist interactions between O and M particles, e.g.

photon kinetic mixing  $\varepsilon F^{\mu\nu} F'_{\mu\nu}$ , some common gauge bosons, etc.

Most interesting are the ones which violate baryon and lepton numbers between two sectors, and namely  $B - L$  and  $B' - L'$  which can co-generate baryon asymmetries in both sectors – and naturally explain why the DM and baryon fractions are comparable,  $\Omega_{B'}/\Omega_B \simeq 5$  or so

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