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# Pseudo NG bosons from finite modular symmetry and radiative stabilization

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# Before physics...

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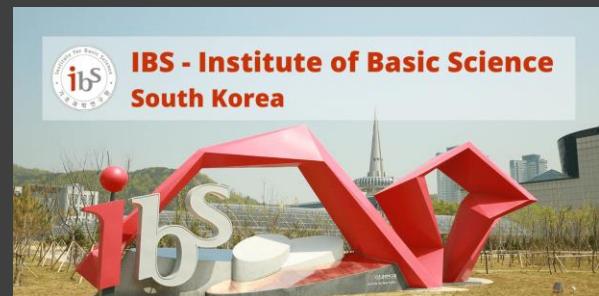
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## ➤ Research area: BSM phenomenology

**model building, LHC, DM, neutrino,**

**flavor violation/hierarchy, cosmology...**



# Pseudo Nambu-Goldstone [NG] boson

- “pseudo” NG boson

Goldstone theorem :

**massless** NG boson appears when **continuous symmetry is broken**

but if a symmetry is not exact...

- **pseudo** NG boson is not exactly massless, but **light**
- mass is induced by symmetry breaking effects

- Examples

	<b>pion <math>\pi</math></b>	<b>axion <math>a</math></b>	<b>majoron <math>J</math></b>
symmetry	chiral $U(1)$	global $U(1)_{PQ}$	global $U(1)_{B-L}$
breaking	quark mass	QCD + ?	gravity ?

in SM

**maybe dark mater [DM], this talk** 3

# Axion

$$\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\rho\sigma}$$

- strong CP problem

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} \ni \theta F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

is not forbidden by sym., so  $\theta \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$   
but neutron EDM limit is  $\theta < 10^{-10}$

## Why is $\theta$ so small ?

- Axion solution ...if global  $U(1)_{PQ}$  has mixed anomaly with QCD

$$\left( \theta + \frac{a}{f_a} \right) F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}, \text{ where } a \text{ is axion as pNG of } U(1)_{PQ}$$

→  $V(a) = \Lambda_{QCD}^4 \left[ 1 - \cos \left( \theta + \frac{a}{f_a} \right) \right]$  by QCD effect

→ axion is stabilized at  $\left( \theta + \frac{a}{f_a} \right) = 0$ , thus no EDM

# $U(1)_{PQ}$ symmetry ??

$U(1)_{PQ}$  has mixed QCD anomaly, so it is broken by QCD

## ➤ PQ (axion) quality

- if QCD breaks  $U(1)_{PQ}$ , why not others ?
- in general, global symmetry will be broken by gravity

$$V(a) = \Lambda_{QCD}^4 \left[ 1 - \cos\left(\theta + \frac{a}{f_a}\right) \right] + [\text{PQ violating terms}]$$

PQV effects should be so small that  $\langle \theta + a/f_a \rangle < 10^{-10}$

→ **PQ quality problem**

# This talk ... use finite modular symmetry $\Gamma_N$ to realize pNG

## ➤ Finite modular axion and strong CP problem

- residual  $Z_N^T$  symmetry of  $\Gamma_N$  realizes **accidental**  $U(1)_{PQ}$
- in KSVZ-like scenario, modulus is **stabilized by 1-loop potential**
- PQ quality is ensured by the  $Z_N^T$  symmetry

## ➤ Finite modular majoron and cosmology

- residual  $Z_N^T$  symmetry of  $\Gamma_N$  realizes **accidental**  $U(1)_{B-L}$
- in type-I seesaw model, modulus is **stabilized by 1-loop potential**
- majoron mass is given by explicit  $U(1)_{B-L}$  breaking effects
- majoron may contribute to both **DM and dark radiation**

# Outline

1. Introduction
2. **Brief review of finite modular symmetry  $\Gamma_N$**
3. Finite modular axion and radiative stabilization
4. Finite modular majoron and its cosmology
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# Modular group

► **modular group  $\Gamma \Leftrightarrow$  special linear group  $SL(2, \mathbb{Z})$**

$$\Gamma := SL(2, \mathbb{Z}) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}, ad - bc = 1 \right\}$$

generators

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad R = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$S^2 = R, \quad (ST)^3 = R^2 = 1, \quad TR = RT$$

► action to **modulus  $\tau$**  : complex scalar with  $\text{Im } \tau > 0$

$$\tau \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \frac{a\tau + b}{c\tau + d} \quad \tau \xrightarrow{S} -1/\tau \quad \tau \xrightarrow{T} \tau + 1 \quad \tau \xrightarrow{R} \tau$$

We often consider  $\bar{\Gamma} := \Gamma / Z_2^R = PSL(2, \mathbb{Z})$

# Finite modular group $\Gamma_N$

- Congruence group  $\Gamma(N)$  level  $N \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\bar{\Gamma}(N) := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in \bar{\Gamma} := PSL(2, \mathbb{Z}) \mid \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \pmod{N} \right\}$$

ex)  $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow T^N = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & N \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \Gamma(N)$

- Finite modular group  $\Gamma_N := \bar{\Gamma}/\bar{\Gamma}(N)$

$$(ST)^3 = S^2 = 1, \quad \textcolor{blue}{T^N = 1}$$

→ isomorphic to non-Abelian discrete symmetries for  $N \leq 5$

$$\Gamma_2 \simeq S_3, \quad \Gamma_3 \simeq A_4, \quad \Gamma_4 \simeq S_4, \quad \Gamma_5 \simeq A_5$$

# Modular form of $\Gamma_N$

is a **holomorphic function of  $\tau$**  transforms as

$$Y_r^{(k)} = Y_r^{(k)}(\tau) \rightarrow (c\tau + d)^k \rho(r) Y_r^{(k)}(\tau) \quad \text{modulus } \tau \xrightarrow{\Gamma} \frac{a\tau+b}{c\tau+d}$$

$\rho(r)$ : **representation matrix of  $r$**  under e.g.  $A_4 \simeq \Gamma_3$

$k$  : modular weight, positive integer valued

➤ What if Yukawa couplings are modular forms ?

Feruglio, "Are neutrino mass modular form ?" 17'

- Yukawa's are **holomorphic functions**, easily implemented in SUSY
- may couple to multiple flavors , so **more predictive**
- **only one modulus**, less than non-modular flavor symmetries w/ flavons

# Form of modular forms of $\Gamma_{N=3}$

- For  $r = 3, k = 2$   
rep. weight

$$c_{ij} = \frac{i}{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & -2w^2 & -2w \\ -2 & -2w & -2w^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad w = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i}{3}\right)$$

$$Y_3^{(2)}(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ Y_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad Y_i(\tau) = \sum_{j=0}^2 c_{ij} \frac{\eta'((\tau+j)/3)}{\eta((\tau+j)/3)} - 27 \delta_{1i} \frac{\eta'(3\tau)}{\eta(3\tau)}$$

with Dedekind Eta function  $\eta(\tau) := q^{\frac{1}{24}} \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)$

- $q$ -expansion  $q := e^{2\pi i \tau}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ Y_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 + 12q + 36q^2 + \dots \\ -6q^{1/3}(1 + 7q + \dots) \\ -18q^{2/3}(1 + 2q + \dots) \end{pmatrix} \quad * |q| \ll 1 \text{ for } \operatorname{Im}\tau \gg 1$$

# Residual $\mathbb{Z}_N^T$ symmetry

Novichkov, Penedo, Petkov, 21'

$$(ST)^3 = S^2 = 1, \quad \textcolor{blue}{T^N = 1}$$

- At  $\tau \sim i\infty$

$\tau$  is insensitive to  $\tau \xrightarrow{T} \tau + 1$  →  $\mathbb{Z}_N^T$  symmetry is unbroken

- Modular forms at  $\text{Im}\tau \gg 1$

$$Y_3^{(2)}(\tau) \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -6q^{1/3} \\ -18q^{2/3} \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbb{Z}_3^T\text{-charge}$$

0	
1	
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powers of  $q^{1/3} \ll 1$  is controlled by  $\mathbb{Z}_3^T$  charge

- Froggatt-Nielsen mechanism

$$\left(\frac{\langle\phi\rangle}{\Lambda}\right)^n \Leftrightarrow q^{n/3}$$

## $\Gamma_N$ for quark and lepton hierarchies

Y.Abe, JK, T.Higaki, T.Kobayashi, 2301.07439, 2302.11183, 2307.01419  
Tanimoto, Petkov '22, S.Kikuchi, T.Kobayashi, K.Nasu et.al. '23, +

# Summary of $\Gamma_N$

## ➤ Finite modular symmetry $\Gamma_N$

- is the quotient group  $\overline{\Gamma}/\overline{\Gamma}(N)$
- modular form transforms as

$$Y = Y(\tau) \rightarrow (c\tau + d)^k \rho(r) Y(\tau)$$

- is found in string models

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## ➤ Applications for particle physics

- quark-lepton **Yukawa couplings** (masses) **are modular forms**
- residual symmetry can explain **flavor hierarchies**
- value of modulus  $\tau$  plays crucial role in those models

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# KSVZ axion model

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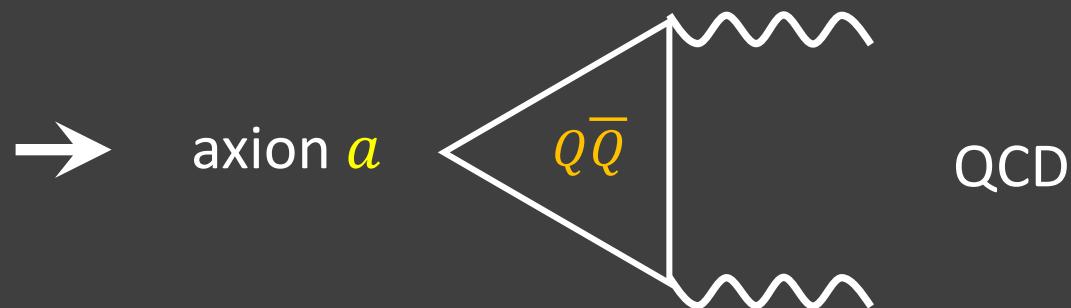
$$\mathcal{L} = y P \bar{Q} Q$$

PQ-charge: +1 -1

- complex scalar  $P \propto e^{ia/f_a}$
- vector-like pair of non-SM quarks  $(Q, \bar{Q})$

➤ PQ symmetry and QCD anomaly

PQ transformation:  $a \rightarrow a + f_a \alpha, Q\bar{Q} \rightarrow e^{-i\alpha} Q\bar{Q}, \alpha \in \mathcal{R}$



→  $\left(\theta + \frac{a}{f_a}\right) F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$  with decay constant  $f_a \sim \langle P \rangle \gg$  EW scale

# Finite modular axion

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c.f. KSVZ axion

$$\mathcal{L} = \Lambda_Q Y_r^{(k)}(\tau) \bar{Q} Q \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{L} = y P \bar{Q} Q$$

scalar  $P$   $\exists$  axion is replaced by a modular form  $Y_r^{(k)}(\tau)$

- Accidental  $U(1)_{PQ}$  assume  $r = 1_t$  where  $t$  is a charge of  $Z_N^T \subset \Gamma_N$

$$Y_{1_t}^{(k)}(\tau) \bar{Q} Q \sim \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i t \tau}{N}\right) (1 + \dots) Q \bar{Q} \quad \text{at } \text{Im}\tau \gg 1$$

has **discrete** sym.  $Z_N^T : \tau \rightarrow \tau + 1, Q \bar{Q} \rightarrow \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi i t}{N}\right) Q \bar{Q}$

- **accidental continuous**  $U(1)_{PQ} : \tau \rightarrow \tau + \alpha, Q \bar{Q} \rightarrow \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi i t}{N} \alpha\right) Q \bar{Q}$   
 $\alpha \in \mathcal{R}$

# A model for FM axion

2402.02071 T.Higaki, JK, T.Kobayashi

For concreteness,  $\Gamma_3 \simeq A_4$  which has residual  $Z_3^T$

- $A_4$  anomaly-free model with supersymmetry (SUSY)

$$W = \Lambda_{Q_1} \mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{1}_1}^{(k)}(\tau) \bar{Q}_1 Q_1 + \Lambda_{Q_2} \mathbf{Y}_{\mathbf{1}_2}^{(k)}(\tau) \bar{Q}_2 Q_2$$

**discrete** anomaly  $\mathcal{A}_{A_4-SU(3)^2} = 1 + 2 \equiv \mathbf{0 \text{ mod } 3}$

- QCD  $\theta$ -angle

$$\bar{\theta} = \theta_0 + \text{Arg} \left( Y_{\mathbf{1}_1}^{(k)} Y_{\mathbf{1}_2}^{(k)} \right) \sim \theta_0 + \phi + \mathcal{O}(|q|)$$

bare

effective QCD angle depends on  $\phi = 2\pi \text{Re}\tau$ , KSVZ-like axion

# PQ quality

$$Y_{\mathbf{1}_t}^{(k)}(\tau) \overline{Q}_t Q_t \sim e^{-i \frac{t}{3} \phi} \overline{Q}_t Q_t \quad Z_3^T \text{ (=PQ)-charge} = t = 1, 2$$

**non-linear realization of  $U(1)_{PQ}$** , accidentally by  $Z_3^T$

➤ PQ-violation

$q = \exp(2\pi i\tau)$  is **invariant under  $Z_3^T$** :  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$ ,

**but not invariant under  $U(1)_{PQ}$** :  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

→ PQ violation is accompanied with  $|q| = e^{-2\pi \text{Im}\tau}$

$$V = V_0 + V_1 |q| + V_2 |q|^2 + \dots$$

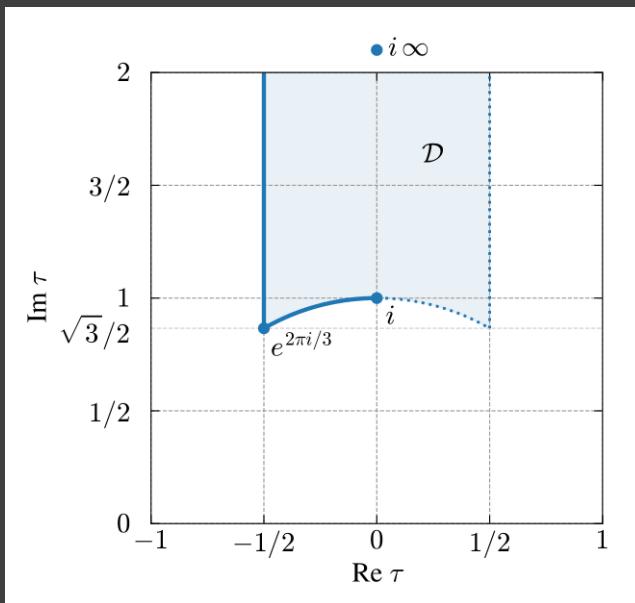
PQ-invariant              PQ-violation

PQV is small if **Im $\tau$  is large** and  $|q| = e^{-2\pi \text{Im}\tau} \ll 1$

# Moduli stabilization

Where is the value of modulus  $\tau$  ?

fundamental domain



- $\tau$  is stabilized at the **min. of potential**
- somewhere in the fundamental dom.

# Radiative stabilization

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We do not need to extend the model,

$W = \Lambda_{Q_t} Y_{1_t}^{(k)}(\tau) \bar{Q}_t Q_t$  generates modulus potential

## ➤ Coleman-Weinberg potential

$$V \sim \left( m_0^2 + m_Q^2(\tau) \right)^2 \left( \log \frac{m_0^2 + m_Q^2(\tau)}{\mu^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) - \left( m_Q^2(\tau) \right)^2 \left( \log \frac{m_Q^2(\tau)}{\mu^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right)$$

from scalar quarks    from quarks

$$\text{where VLQ mass } m_Q^2(\tau) = \Lambda_Q^2 (2\text{Im}\tau)^k \left| Y_{1_t}^{(k)}(\tau) \right|^2$$

$m_0^2$ : soft SUSY breaking for squark, **assumed to be  $\tau$ -independent**

$\mu$ : renormalization scale in  $\overline{MS}$

# Minimum of the potential

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- ## ➤ For $\text{Im}\tau \gg 1$      $t$ : $Z_N^T$ -charge of modular form $Y$

$$Y_{1_t}^{(k)}(\tau) \sim q^{t/3}(c_0 + c_1q + c_2q^2 + \dots) \quad q = \exp(2\pi i \tau)$$

- ## ➤ Derivative along $x = 2\text{Im}\tau$

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \frac{c_0^2 m_0^2 \Lambda_Q^2}{16\pi^2} x^{k-1} e^{-2\pi t x/3} \left( k - \frac{2\pi t x}{3} \right) \left( \log \frac{c_0^2 \Lambda_Q^2}{e \mu^2} + k \log x - \frac{2\pi t x}{3} \right)$$

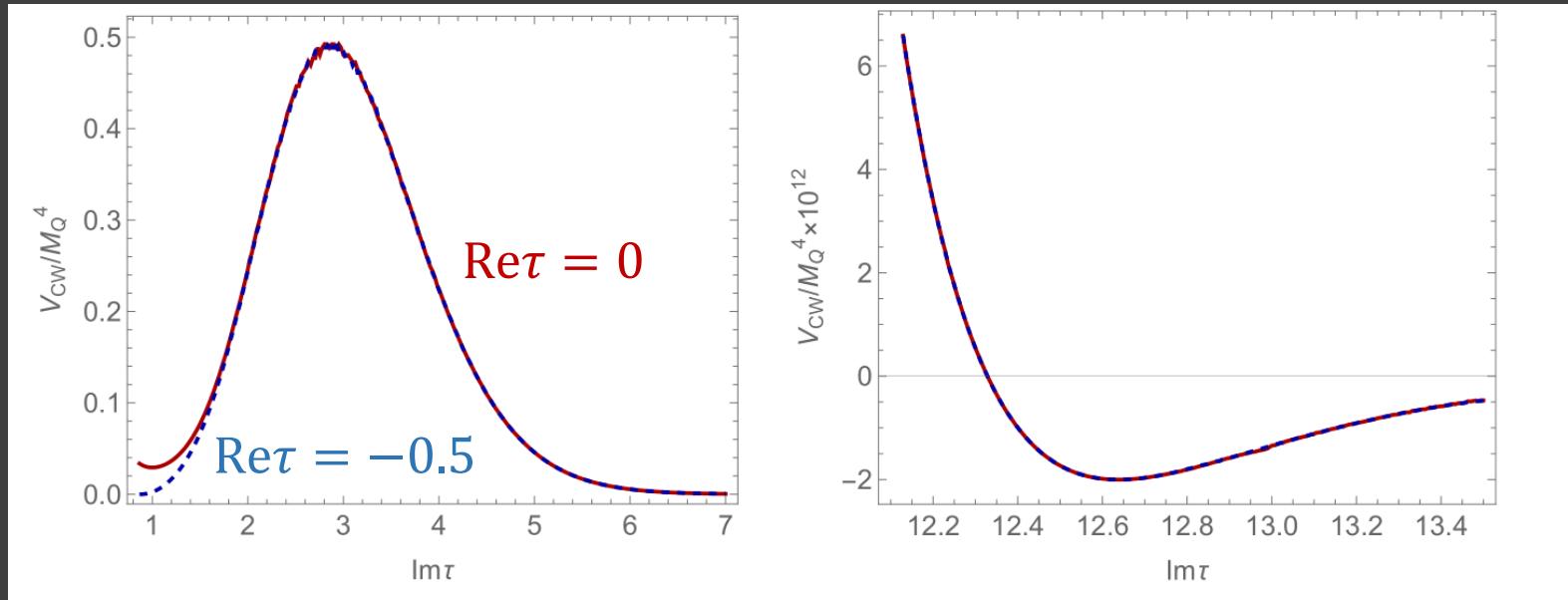
$$x_{min} = \frac{3k}{2\pi t} \mathcal{W} \left( -\frac{2\pi t}{3k} \left( \frac{\mu}{c_0 \Lambda_Q} \right)^{2/k} \right) > 1 \quad \text{minimum exists for } \textcolor{blue}{t > 0}$$

\* Lambert fct.  $\mathcal{W}(z)e^{\mathcal{W}(z)} = z$

# Potential shape

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$$W = \Lambda_Q Y_{1_1}^{(12)} \bar{Q}Q \text{ under } \Gamma_3 \simeq A_4$$



$$m_0^2/M_Q^2 = 10^{-8}, \mu/\Lambda_Q = 0.01$$

- potential has **global minimum at  $\text{Im} \tau \sim 13 \gg 1$**
- this minimum exists only for **non-trivial** singlet
- potential is **almost flat for  $\text{Re} \tau$**  around minimum

# PQ quality in the model

from CW, PQ violation

$$V(\phi) \sim \Lambda_{QCD}^4 \cos(\theta_0 + \phi) + \frac{m_0^2 \Lambda_Q^2}{8\pi^2} c_0 c_1 (2 \text{Im} \tau_0)^k |q|^{7/3} \cos \phi$$

$$\Lambda_{QCD} \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$$



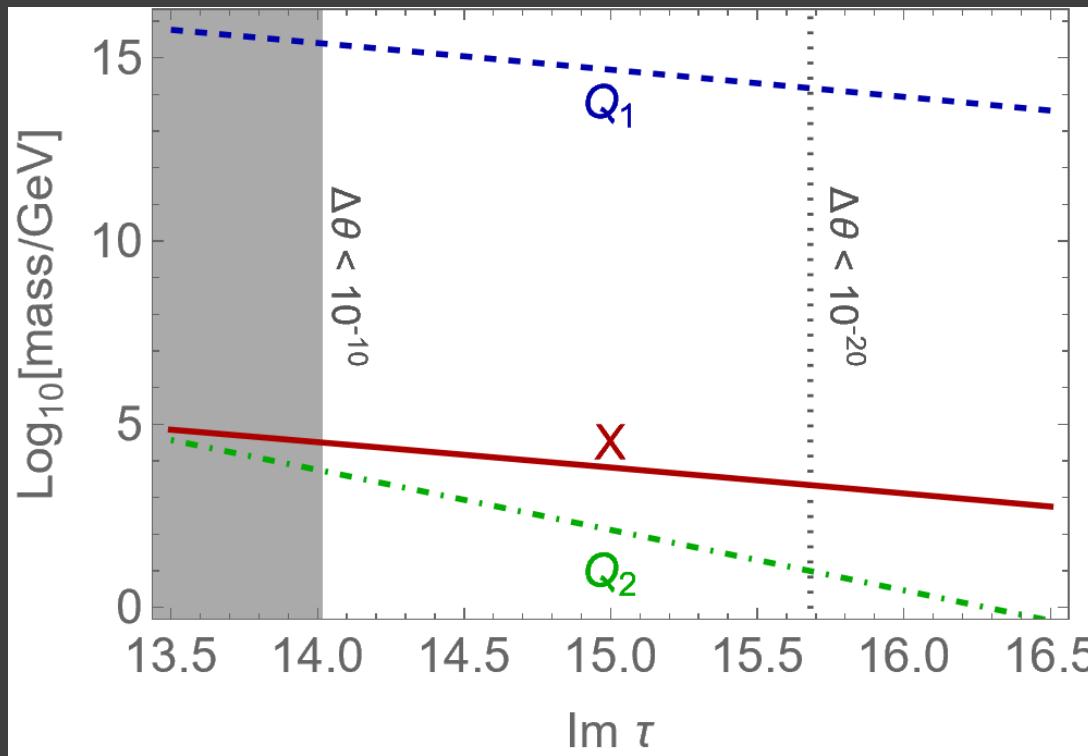
$$\text{axion} \sim \phi = 2\pi \text{Re} \tau$$

- shift of  $\langle \bar{\theta} \rangle$  from zero:

$$\Delta \theta \sim 10^{-10} \times \sin \theta_0 \left( \frac{m_0}{10^7 \text{GeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\Lambda_Q}{10^{18} \text{GeV}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\text{Im} \tau_0}{14} \right)^{12} \left( \frac{|q|^{1/3}}{10^{-12}} \right)^7$$

- **consistent with neutron EDM** limit for  $|q|^{1/3} < \mathcal{O}(10^{-12})$
- can **solve the strong CP** problem for  $\text{Im} \tau_0 \gtrsim 14$

# Modulus and vector-like quark masses



$$14 \lesssim \text{Im } \tau \lesssim 15$$

Axion quality  $\Delta \theta < 10^{-10}$

$Q_2$  heavier than TeV  
modulus (saxion) heavier than 10 TeV

# Summary of finite modular axion

## ➤ Summary

- accidental  $U(1)_{PQ}$  is realized from residual  $Z_N^T$  in  $\Gamma_N$
- modulus can be stabilized by CW in KSVZ-type model
- PQ quality is ensured by  $\text{Im } \tau \gg 1$
- vector-like quark and modulus are at  $\mathcal{O}(\text{TeV})$  scale

## ➤ Discussions

- other applications to accidental  $U(1)$
- cosmological implications, especially DM and modulus ?

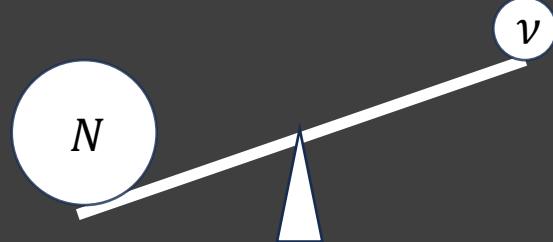
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# Type-I seesaw

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} m_N N N + H_u L^c Y_d N$$



$$\rightarrow m_\nu \sim \frac{v_H^2 y_D^2}{m_N} \sim 0.1 \text{ eV} \times \left( \frac{10^{14} \text{ GeV}}{m_N} \right) \left( \frac{y_D v_H}{100 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2$$

➤  $U(1)_{B-L}$  symmetry

- is the anomaly-free symmetry in the SM + RH neutrinos
- **forbids Majorana mass**, since  $N$  has lepton number 1

➤ Majorana mass  $m_N$  should be related to B-L breaking

$$m_N \sim v_{BL}$$

# Majoron

'81 Y.Chikashige, R.N.Mohapatra, R.D.Peccei; '81 G.B.Gelmini, M.Roncadelli

If B-L symmetry is **global** (not gauged),

→ there exists a pseudo NG boson, named **majoron  $J$**

## ➤ Majoron DM

If majoron only couples to RH-neutrinos via  $e^{iJ/f_J} m_N N N$

- decay width  $\Gamma_J \sim m_\nu^2 m_J / f_J^2$  is small enough to be DM
- but it is a **decaying DM** particle

→ we may see neutrino flux from the DM decay

'17 C.Garcia-Cely, J.Heeck, '23 K.Akita, M.Niibo

# B-L quality ?

majoron is a **pseudo**-NG boson of  $U(1)_{B-L}$  symmetry

→ majoron gets its mass from explicit  $U(1)_{B-L}$  breaking

Ex)  $\mathcal{L}_{BLV} \sim \frac{\phi^n}{M_p^{n-4}} + h.c. \sim \frac{f_J^n}{M_p^{n-4}} \cos\left(n \frac{J}{f_J}\right)$

➤ Question: How  $U(1)_{B-L}$  is broken ?

need a mass term, while do not need interaction e.g. *Jee*

→  $U(1)_{B-L}$  should be **broken in a proper way** to be DM

**B-L quality** may matter, as for the PQ quality of axion

# Finite modular majoron

'24 JK and T.H.Jung

Finite modular symmetry can be used for the accidental  $U(1)_{B-L}$

➤ Model

c.f. FM axion

$$\mathcal{L} = \Lambda_N Y_r^{(k)}(\tau) NN \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \mathcal{L} = \Lambda_Q Y_r^{(k)}(\tau) \bar{Q} Q$$

residual symmetry  $Z_N^T : \tau \rightarrow \tau + 1, NN \rightarrow \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi t}{N}\right) NN$

→ **accidental  
continuous**  $U(1)_{B-L} : \tau \rightarrow \tau + \alpha, NN \rightarrow \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi t}{N} \alpha\right) NN$   
 $\alpha \in \mathcal{R}$

$J \sim \text{Re } \tau$  is pNGB of B-L, so it is ***finite modular majoron***

# Radiative stabilization

the same **CW stabilization** works for the majoron

➤ Potential

$$V \sim (m_0^2 + M_N^2(\tau))^2 \left( \log \frac{m_0^2 + M_N^2(\tau)}{\mu^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right) - (M_N^2(\tau))^2 \left( \log \frac{M_N^2(\tau)}{\mu^2} - \frac{3}{2} \right)$$

where  $M_N^2(\tau) = \Lambda_N^2 (2\text{Im}\tau)^k \left| Y_{1t}^{(k)}(\tau) \right|^2$

➤ Modulus  $X \sim \text{Im } \tau$

soft mass      Majorana mass

mass       $m_X \sim \frac{m_0 m_N}{4\pi M_p} \sim 10 \text{ TeV} \times \left( \frac{m_0}{10^{10} \text{ GeV}} \right) \left( \frac{m_N}{10^{14} \text{ GeV}} \right)$

decay       $\Gamma_X \sim \Gamma(X \rightarrow JJ) \sim (20 \text{ s})^{-1} \times \left( \frac{m_\phi}{20 \text{ TeV}} \right)^3$  via Kähler potential

both majoron and modulus are important for cosmology

$$\sim \text{Re } \tau \qquad \sim \text{Im } \tau$$

# Majoron as dark matter

- Majoron potential from B-L breaking

$$V_{CW} \supset \frac{m_0^2 m_N^2}{16\pi^2} e^{-4\pi Im\tau} \left[ 1 + \cos\left(\frac{J}{f_J}\right) \right]$$

where **decay constant**  $f_J \sim \frac{M_p}{4\pi Im\tau} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{16}) \text{ GeV}$

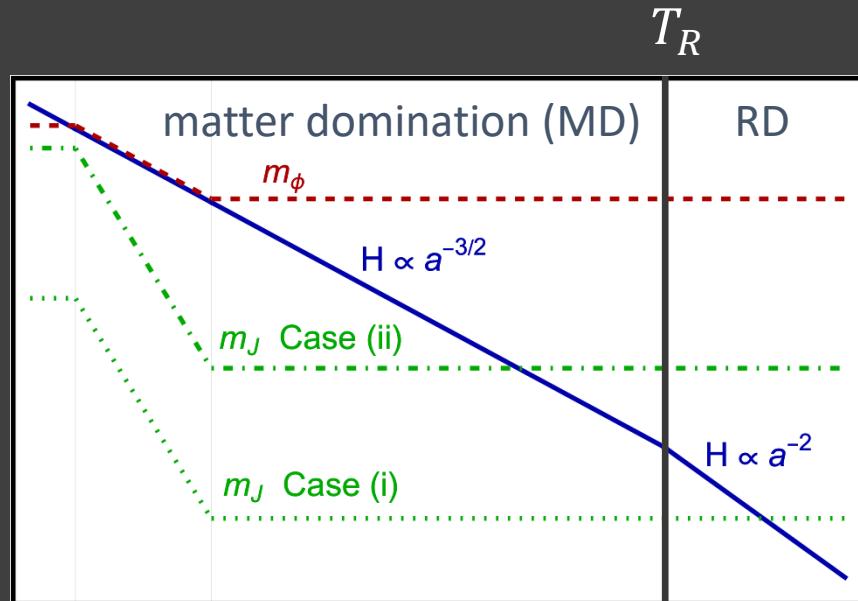
- Two scenarios for DM

1. oscillation starts **during RD**

majoron mass is  $10^{-17}$  eV,  
**ultralight DM**

2. oscillation starts **during MD**

majoron mass is keV-GeV,  
**diluted by reheating** after MD



\*RD= radiation domination

# Majoron as dark radiation [DR]

➤ Modulus decay

modulus **decays  $X \rightarrow JJ$  after BBN** [Big Bang Nucleosynthesis]

→ produced majorons are **relativistic**, so contribute to DR

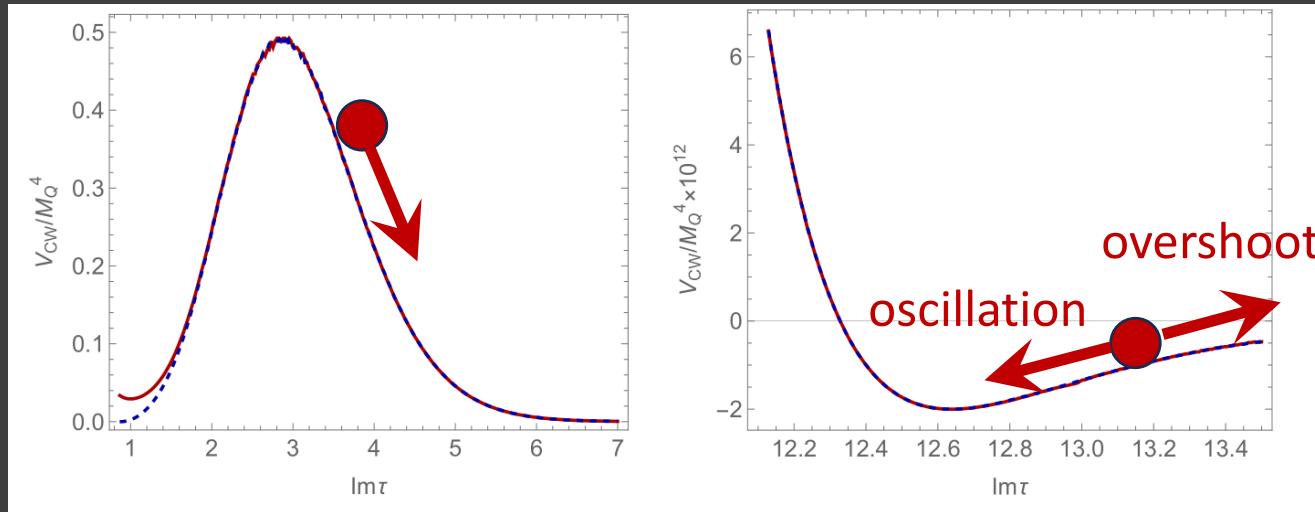
➤ Effective number of neutrinos,  $N_{\text{eff}} \sim 3 + \Delta N_{\text{eff}}$

$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.6 \times \left( \frac{\rho_X / \rho_{\text{rad}}}{10^{-3}} \right) \left( \frac{T_R}{10 \text{ MeV}} \right) \left( \frac{10 \text{ TeV}}{m_X} \right)^3$$

- assuming **MD by another particle  $\chi$** , reheating at  $T_R$
- **modulus energy per radiation energy** should be small for  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim \mathcal{O}(0.1)$
- limit from CMB is  $< 0.3$ , but **Hubble tension** may prefer  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.4$

# Moduli dynamics and energy density

if no additional energy, modulus will **overshoot**



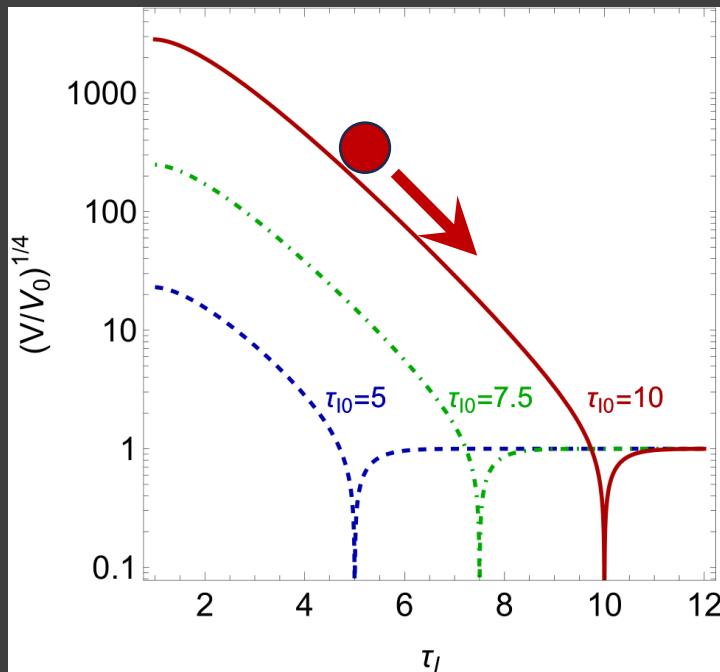
However, with the MD field  $\chi$ , **Hubble friction** stops too fast rolling

$$\text{EOM: } \ddot{X} + 3H\dot{X} + V_X = 0$$

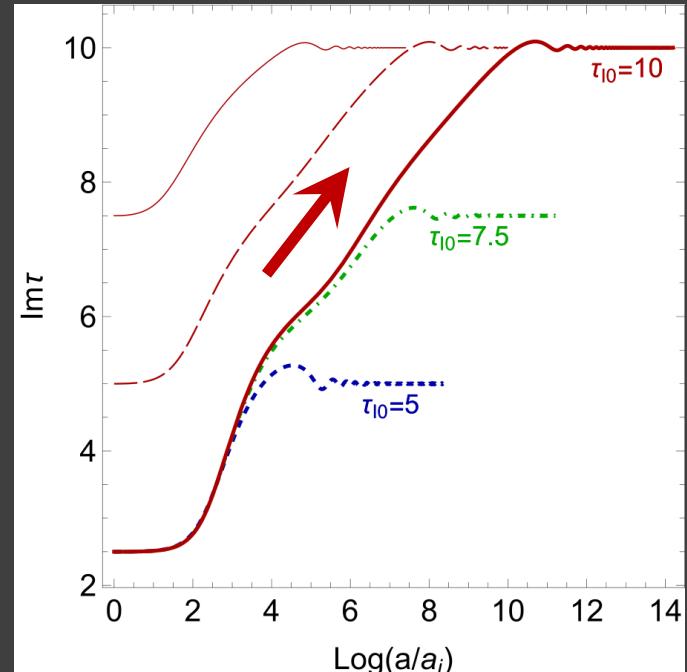
- then, modulus starts to oscillate around the minimum
- effective amplitude is small, so that  $\rho_X/\rho_{\text{rad}} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-4})$

# Moduli dynamics, numerically

potential shape in log-scale



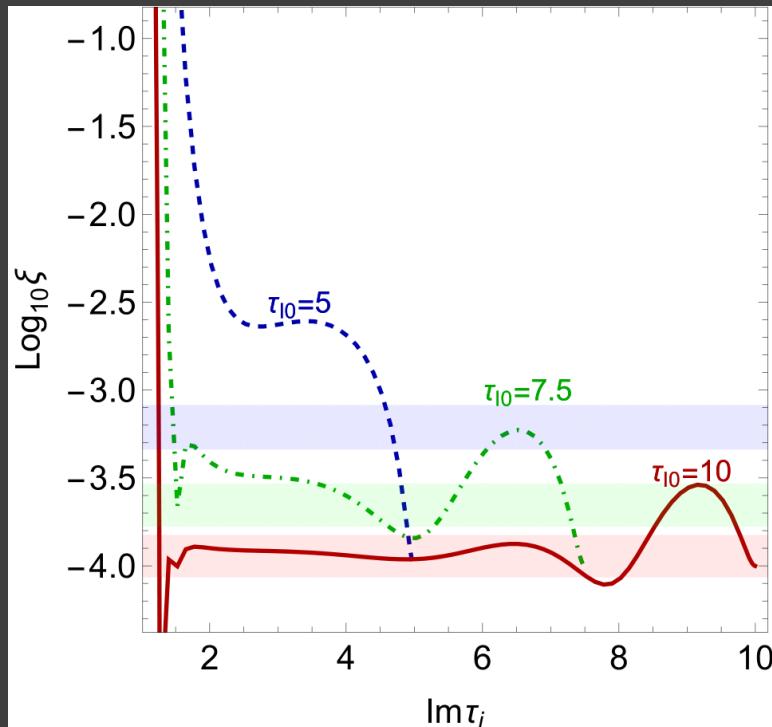
evolution of modulus



- **no overshoot**, if it starts from the **exponential slope**
- behavior of **oscillation** looks the **same for various cases**

# Modulus energy density

Values of  $\xi := \rho_X/\rho_\chi = \rho_X/\rho_{\text{rad}}(T_R)$



➤ Analytical formula

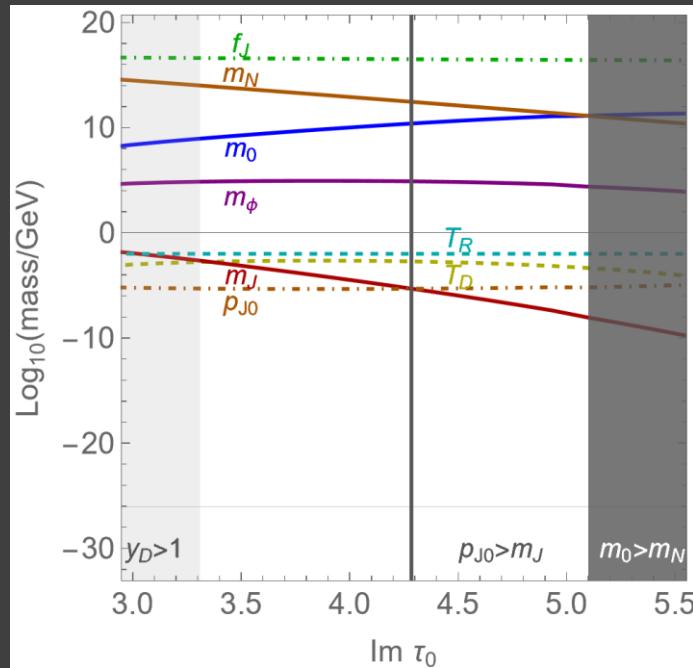
$$\xi \sim \frac{3}{2e^2} \left( k - \frac{4\pi t}{N} \text{Im}\tau_{min} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\sim 10^{-4} \text{ for } \text{Im}\tau_{min} \sim 0$$

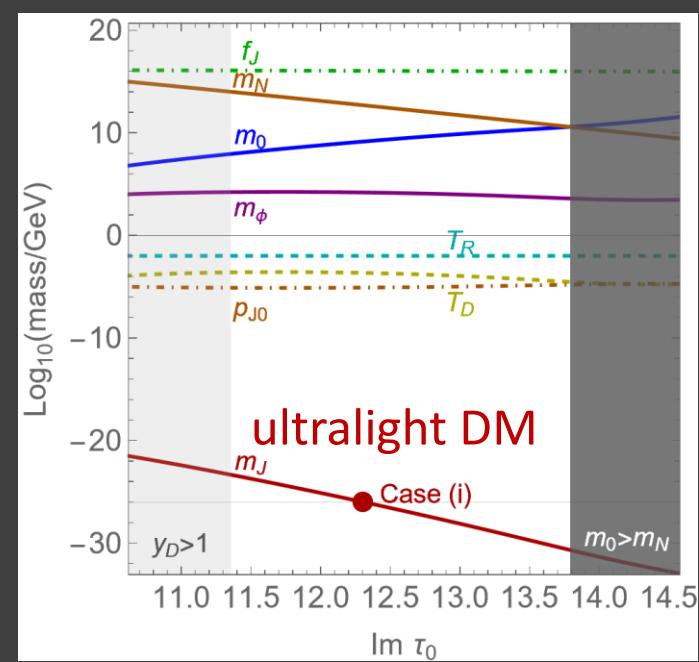
- **energy ratio is  $10^{-4}$**  independent of initial position
- true for long slopes, and it can be larger for shorter slopes

# Masses when $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = 0.3$

$k = 4$



$k = 24$



- RH neutrino is  $10^{10\sim 14}$  GeV, soft mass is  $10^{8\sim 10}$  GeV
- modulus mass is 10 TeV for  $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.3$
- majoron mass can be in a **wide range**  $m_J \in [10^{-30}, 1.]$  GeV

# Summary of finite modular majoron

## ➤ Summary

- **accidental  $U(1)_{B-L}$**  is realized from residual  $Z_N^T$  in  $\Gamma_N$
- modulus can be **stabilized by CW** in type-I seesaw
- modulus does **not overshoot** because of Hubble friction
- majoron contributes to both **DM and DR**

## ➤ Discussions

- can we probe majoron with **keV-GeV mass** and  $f_J \sim 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$  ?
- application to **flavor models** ?
- relation to other cosmology, e.g. baryogenesis/inflation ?

# Summary

1. accidental  $U(1)$  can be realized by finite modular symmetry
  - **finite modular pseudo NG boson** appears
2. modulus can be stabilized by Coleman-Weinberg potential
  - **no need** to extend a model

Thank you !!

# backups

# Majoron limits

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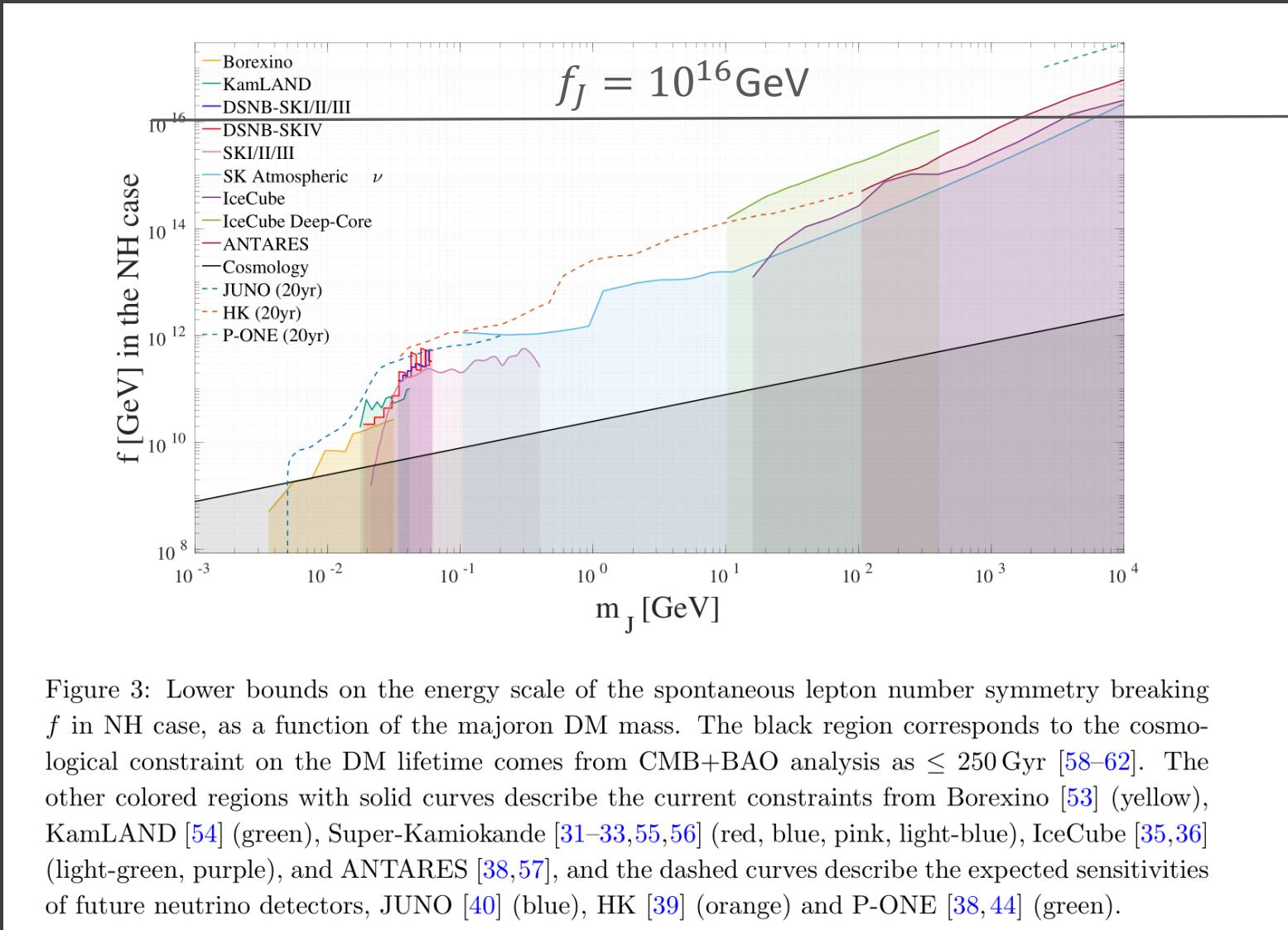


Figure 3: Lower bounds on the energy scale of the spontaneous lepton number symmetry breaking  $f$  in NH case, as a function of the majoron DM mass. The black region corresponds to the cosmological constraint on the DM lifetime comes from CMB+BAO analysis as  $\leq 250$  Gyr [58–62]. The other colored regions with solid curves describe the current constraints from Borexino [53] (yellow), KamLAND [54] (green), Super-Kamiokande [31–33,55,56] (red, blue, pink, light-blue), IceCube [35,36] (light-green, purple), and ANTARES [38,57], and the dashed curves describe the expected sensitivities of future neutrino detectors, JUNO [40] (blue), HK [39] (orange) and P-ONE [38,44] (green).

# Known mechanisms for stabilization

- SL(2,Z) invariant ‘91 M.Cvetic, A.Font, L.E.Ibanez, D.Lust, F.Quevedo  
2006.03058, P.Novichkov, J.Penedo, S.Petcov

$$W \sim (j(\tau) - 1728)^{\frac{m}{2}} j(\tau)^{\frac{n}{3}} \mathcal{P}(j(\tau))$$

$j(\tau)$ : Klein function

**non-perturbative effects**

- $\Gamma_N$  invariant potential 1909.05139, 1910.11553  
T.Kobayashi, Y.Shimizu, K.Takagi, M.Tanimoto, T.Tatsuishi, H.Uchida

$$W \sim X_1^{(k_X)} \left( Y_1^{(k_Y)} \right)^p$$

$X$  has **non-zero weight**, additional field

- 3-form flux potential 2011.09154, 2206.04313 K.Ishiguro H.Okada, T.Kobayashi, H.Otsuka

$$W \sim \sum_{n=0}^3 c_n \tau^n$$

Polynomial of  $\tau$ , **coefficients transform under SL(2,Z)**

# Canonical normalization

- Modular invariant kinetic term

$$\text{kinetic term} \quad \frac{\bar{Q}Q}{(-i\tau + i\bar{\tau})^{k_q}} \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \quad \bar{Q}Q \quad \text{canonical basis}$$

$$\text{Yukawa coup.} \quad Y^{(k_Y)}(\tau) \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \quad (2\text{Im}\tau)^{k_Y/2} Y^{(k_Y)}$$

- When  $\epsilon(\tau) \ll 1$

$$\epsilon(\tau) \sim 0.05 \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \quad t := 2\text{Im } \tau \sim 5 \text{ gives additional structure}$$

another FN-like mechanism controlled by modular weights

# Axion decay constant

$$K = -h \log(-i\tau + i\tau^*) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_{kin} = \frac{h M_p^2}{(2\text{Im}\tau)^2} \partial_\mu \tau^* \partial^\mu \tau$$

$M_p \simeq 2 \times 10^{18}$  GeV : reduced Planck mass

➤ After canonical normalization,

$$f_\phi = \frac{\sqrt{h}M_p}{4\pi\text{Im}\tau} \sim 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV} \times \left(\frac{h}{3}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{14}{\text{Im}\tau}\right)$$

need entropy production maybe by saxion  $X$  and/or fine-tuned initial condition

$$m_X = \frac{c_0 m_0 M_Q}{2\sqrt{2h}\pi M_p^2} (2\text{Im}\tau)^k e^{-\frac{2\pi\text{Im}\tau}{3}} \left| k - \frac{4\pi\text{Im}\tau}{3} \right|$$

# Modular forms of A4

$$Y_{1_1}^{(12)}(\tau) = (Y_1^2 + 2 Y_2 Y_3)^2 (Y_3^2 + 2 Y_1 Y_2)$$

$$Y_{1_2}^{(12)}(\tau) = (Y_1^2 + 2 Y_2 Y_3)(Y_3^2 + 2 Y_1 Y_2)^2$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} Y_1(\tau) &= \frac{i}{2\pi} \left[ \frac{\eta'(\tau/3)}{\eta(\tau/3)} + \frac{\eta'((\tau+1)/3)}{\eta((\tau+1)/3)} + \frac{\eta'((\tau+2)/3)}{\eta((\tau+2)/3)} - 27 \frac{\eta'(3\tau)}{\eta(3\tau)} \right], \\ Y_2(\tau) &= \frac{-i}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\eta'(\tau/3)}{\eta(\tau/3)} + w^2 \frac{\eta'((\tau+1)/3)}{\eta((\tau+1)/3)} + w \frac{\eta'((\tau+2)/3)}{\eta((\tau+2)/3)} \right], \\ Y_3(\tau) &= \frac{-i}{\pi} \left[ \frac{\eta'(\tau/3)}{\eta(\tau/3)} + w \frac{\eta'((\tau+1)/3)}{\eta((\tau+1)/3)} + w^2 \frac{\eta'((\tau+2)/3)}{\eta((\tau+2)/3)} \right], \end{aligned}$$

➤ q-expansion

$$Y_{1_1}^{(12)} = -12q^{1/3} (1 + 472q + \mathcal{O}(q^2)), \quad Y_{1_2}^{(12)} = 144q^{2/3} (1 + 224q + \mathcal{O}(q^2)).$$

# PQ quality in the model

$$Y_{\mathbf{1}_t}^{(k)}(\tau) \bar{Q}_t Q_t \sim e^{-\frac{t}{3}\phi} \bar{Q}_t Q_t \quad Z_3^T \text{ (=PQ)-charge} = t = 1, 2$$

**non-linear realization of  $U(1)_{PQ}$** , accidentally by  $Z_3^T$

➤ PQ-violation

$q^{\frac{t}{3}} = \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i t \tau}{3}\right)$  is **invariant under  $Z_3^T$** :  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 3$ ,

**but not invariant under  $U(1)_{PQ}$** :  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + \alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\frac{V}{m_0^2 M_Q^2} \sim |q|^{\frac{4}{3}} |c_0 + c_1 q| \sim const + 2c_0 c_1 x_{min}^k |q|^{\frac{7}{3}} \cos\phi$$