

# About Fractons: further investigations- several models

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## I. HIGHER-DIMENSIONAL-STRUCTURES RELIC FRACTIONALLY-CHARGED PARTICLES

In [1], the  $SO(10)$  gauge symmetry has been demonstrated to break at the string level.

- "Wilsonian particle", 'uniton': heavy down-like quark (standard down-like charge assignment):
  - fractional charge under the  $U(1)_{Z'}$  symmetry:
    - $\Rightarrow$  the uniton may be stable.

Symmetry broken as

- $SO(10) \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)^2$ ;

$\Rightarrow$  exotic matter states

- classified according to the patterns of the  $SO(10)$  symmetry breaking;

- in  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)^2$  type models,

one also obtains states with:

- regular charges under the Standard Model gauge group, but
- with fractional charges under the  $U(1)_{Z'}$  symmetry;

- fractionally charged  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L$  singlets:

in  $SO(6) \times SO(4)$  these states are doublets of  $SU(2)_R$  with zero  $U(1)_C$  charge and an  $SU(3)_C$  singlet in the quartets of  $SU(4)$  with zero  $U(1)_L$  charge:

in standard-like models these states are  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L$  singlets with electric charge  $Q_{em} = \pm 1/2$ , i.e.:

- $SO(10) \rightarrow SO(6) \times SO(4)$ :

- fractionally-charged standard-like-model states,

- $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L$  singlets with  $Q_{em} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$ , and

- (fractional) charge under  $U(1)_Y$ :

$[(1, 0); (1, \pm 1)]_{(\pm 1/2, \mp 1/2, \pm 1/2)}$  where the pedices denote the  $U(1)_Y$  charge ,

$[(1, \pm 3/2); (1, 0)]_{(\pm 1/2, \pm 1/2, \pm 1/2)}$ ;

- $SO(10) \rightarrow SU(5) \times U(1)$ :

- exotic states,

- $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L$  singlets with  $Q_{em} = \pm \frac{1}{2}$

$[(1, \pm 3/4); (1, \pm 1/2)]_{(\pm 1/2, \pm 1/4, \pm 1/2)}$ ;

- $SO(10) \rightarrow SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)^2$ :

- standard-model singlets with nontrivial  $U(1)_{Z'}$ ;

- heavy particles:

- (low energy limit)  $SU(2)_L$  doublets and singlets, which are

- $SU(3)$  singlets

$(1, 2)_0, (1, 1)_{1/2}$ ,

- lepton-like,

- fractional electric charge  $Q_{em} = \pm 1/2$ ;

- fractionally charged vector- like quarks:
  - $(3, 1)_{1/6}$  (*sexton*, color triplet),
  - which can interact with  $u$  and  $d$  quarks and origin stable baryons and stable mesons;
    - with fractional electric charge of  $\pm 1/2$  and  $\pm 3/2$
  - lower bound for the masses [3]:
    - $M \sim \frac{eV}{Y_0^{FC}} > 10^{-19} GeV$       -  $Y_0^{FC}$  relic density of fractionally-charged matter
    - $Y_0^{FC} < 10^{-19} Y_0^B < 10^{-19} \frac{eV}{m_p} \sim 10^{-28}$ ;
  - experimental searches for free quarks in various materials:
    - upper bound on the number density of fractionally-charged-particles smaller than  $10^{-19} \sim 10^{-26}$ ;
    - experimental constraints: densities of fractionally charged bound states have suppressed densities.

Differently from E. Nardi and E. Roulet, Phys. Lett. B245 (1990) 105.

- Sexton  $\sigma$ : Charge =  $1/6$ , and
- fractionally charged leptons,
  - *confinement temperature*, the sexton  $\sigma$  can form:
    - neutral color singlet bound states,
    - charged color singlet bound states,
      - $\sigma\sigma\sigma$ ,  $\sigma\sigma q$ ,  $qq\sigma$ ,  $\bar{q}\sigma$ , and
    - the corresponding antiparticles
      - $\bar{\sigma}\bar{\sigma}\bar{\sigma}$ ,  $\bar{\sigma}\bar{\sigma}\bar{q}$ ,  $\bar{q}\bar{q}\bar{\sigma}$ ,  $q\bar{\sigma}$ ,
      - with  $q$  ordinary quarks.
  - integer-charged final states can revert into fractionally charged states,
    - due to the presence of a large amount of ordinary particles;
  - cooling temperature (expansion of the universe):
    - possibility for the remaining fractional hadrons to form:
      - bound states of integer charge with fractionally-charged-heavy leptons
      - $(1, 2)_0$  and  $(1, 1)_{1/2}$  with  $Q_{em} = T_3 + Y$ ,
      - $\rightarrow$
      - neutral heavy hydrogen-type bound states  $B_{1/2} + L_{-1/2}$ , which can capture an electron at a temperature of a few  $eV$ , whose cross-section is calculated to be extremely small.
- $SO(10)$  symmetry breaking of  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)^2$ 
  - $\Rightarrow SU(3)_c \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  singlet with non-standard  $U(1)_{Z'}$  charge,
  - interactions with the Standard Model states vanish to all orders of non-renormalizable terms if the  $SU(3)_H$  is left unbroken, but
  - $U(1)_{Z'}$  should be broken between the weak scale and the Planck scale:
  - W-singlet  $W_s$ :
    - interaction is suppressed by  $1/M^2_{Z'}$ ,
    - (can be classified as WIMP);
    - can annihilate into:
      - two light Standard Model fermions, and
      - their superpartners;
    - further conditions on the W-singlet: mass (wrt  $M_{Z'}$ ) and inflation;
    - can be a strongly interacting particle.

## II. FURTHER ANALYSIS OF THE SO(18) MODEL

In citeDong:1982wq, the breaking of the SO(18) supersymmetric model has been analyzed to be possible through several mechanisms.

The generalized charge operator  $Q'$  for states is obtained as  
 $Q' = Q + \sqrt{2}aT_3^{L'} + \sqrt{2}bT_3^{R'} + \sqrt{2}cT_3^{L''} + \sqrt{2}dT_3^{R''}$ ,  
 as fractionally charged color singlet particles

where the parameters  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$  appear in the definition of the generalized electric charged operator  $Q'$  of the 256-dimensional irreducible representations.

- 'model 1':

- parameters of the generalized charge operator:  $a = c = 0$ ,  $b = 1/3$ ,  $d = 2/3$
- color singlets with charge  $Q = 1/3, 2/3, 4/3, 5/3, 2$ , or
- with right-handed current.

- 'model 2':

- because of the symmetry, cannot have  $SU(3)_c \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  invariant masses
- parameters of the generalized charge operator:  $a = c = 0$ ,  $b = d = 1/3$ ;
- i.e., six generations of ordinary fermions which can not acquire (because of the symmetry breaking)  $SU(3)_c \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  invariant masses, and
- ten generations of non-standard fermions, among which also fractionally-charged color-singlet particles:  
 $Q = 1/3, 2/3, 4/3, 5/3$ ;

The color singlets can acquire masses because, in these two models, the symmetry  $G'$  is not needed.

The color singlets predicted

- do not interact with usual quarks via the gauge bosons: **stable**;
- experimental observation has been proposed [4];
- under the hypotheses they have  
 unstandard properties like charge, color, or weak isospin,  
 provided that they are not prohibitively massive,  
 experimental observation has been proposed in [5];
- experiment cancelled [6].

### III. MORE ABOUT FCHAMP'S

FCHAMP's have been further analyzed also in [7].

- FCHAMP's:

-leptons with:

- fractional e.m. charge,
  - electroweak charge,
  - with non-trivial hypercharge  $U(1)_Y$ ,
  - no strong interactions, and
  - of mass  $m$  and charge  $Q_L \simeq 2$ ;
- Early Universe: possibility to retrieve items of information about FCHAMP's for:
    - thermal production,
    - annihilation,
    - survival,
    - cosmological constraints from primordial nucleosynthesis,
    - cosmological constraints from microwave-background-radiation, and
    - abundance on Earth;

#### IV. DOUBLY-CHARGED MASSIVE STABLE PARTICLES

In [7], the detection of stable particles with  $Q_{em} = 2$  has been revised.

-  $XY$  gauginos and warped extra dimensional models:

- GUT parity, and
- effective TeV-scale supersymmetric grand unification;

- doubly-charged leptons within 'modern' walking technicolor models (Minimal Walking Technicolor):

- (predictions of large Flavour-Changing Neutral Currents (FCNC's) and a great variety of technimesons rejected because no experimental evidence was produced);

- walking behaviour: slow running of the technicolour gauge coupling over an extended range

- masses expected to exceed 100 GeV,
- lightest technibaryon stable,
- electric charges of the  $UU$ ,  $UD$ , and  $DD$  equal  $n + 1$ ,  $n$ , and  $n - 1$ , respectively,  $n$  arbitrary real number;

- fourth family of leptons:

- new 'neutrino'  $\nu'$  and a new 'electron'  $e'$ ,
  - hypercharges  $-(3y - 1)/2$  and  $-(3y + 1)/2$ , resp.:
- for the analysis in [7], the simplest choice  $y = 1$  has been performed,  
for  $y = 1$ , electric charges of the new leptons  $-1$  and  $-2$ , resp;

- two kinds of stable doubly-charged particles:

- technibaryon  $UU^{++}$ , and
- technilepton  $e'^{++}$ .

- Doubly-charged Higgs bosons in  $L - R$ ;
  - (Higgs triplets containing) doubly-charged Higgs bosons  $\Delta^{++}_R$  and  $\Delta^{++}_L$  (amplitudes of the vector boson fusion processes proportional to  $v_{L-R}$  VEV's of the neutral members of the scalar triplets);
    - $\Delta^{++}_L$  suppressed;
    - the doubly-charged Higgs boson quasi-stable for very small Yukawa couplings;
  - doubly-Charged Higgsinos in the  $L - R$  supersymmetric model:
    - *with doubly charged Higgs bosons*, doubly charged Higgsinos can be long-lived enough to be detected;
  - doubly-charged leptons in the framework of almost-commutative geometry:
    - no other SM gauge charges;
    - stable **because of** the absence of mixing with light fermions.
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