

# Neutrino Physics Course

## Lecture xxv

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# Domain Walls



Okun, Kobzarev,  
Zeldovich 1974

## SSB of a discrete symmetry

examples of discrete sym.:

- Parity (P) = LR symmetry
- Charge conjugation (C) = -11-
- CP = C x P = L → R sym.

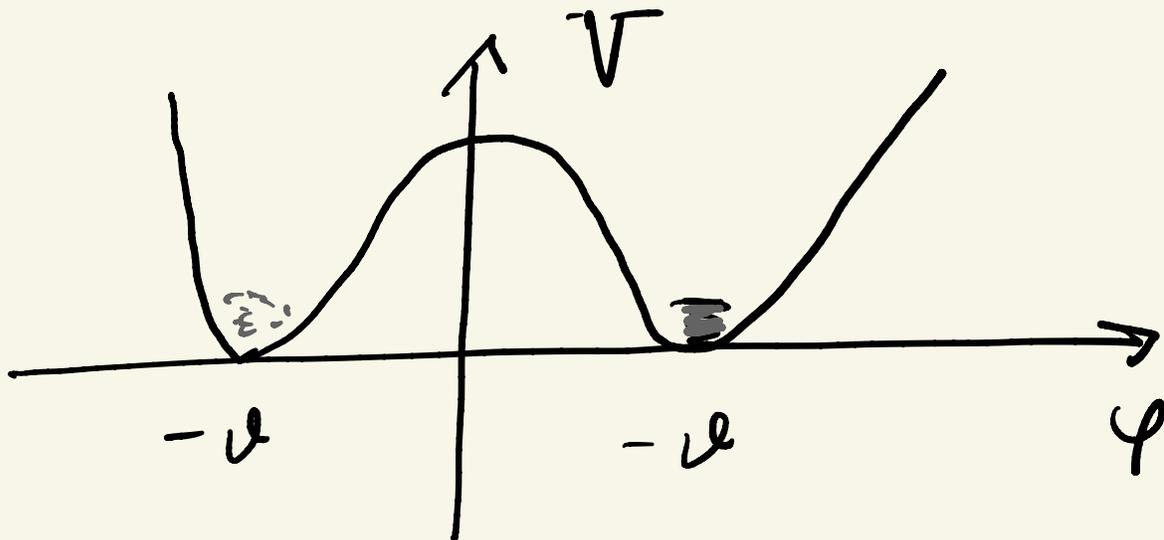
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(CP spat.)

generic  $\downarrow$  discrete (D) sym.

$$\varphi \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$D: \varphi \rightarrow -\varphi \quad (\mathbb{Z}_2)$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \varphi \partial^\mu \varphi - \frac{\lambda}{2} (\varphi^2 - v^2)^2$$



$$\Rightarrow \psi_0 = \{ \psi_0 \because V(\psi_0) = \text{min} \}$$

$$= \{ \psi_0 \because V=0 \} =$$

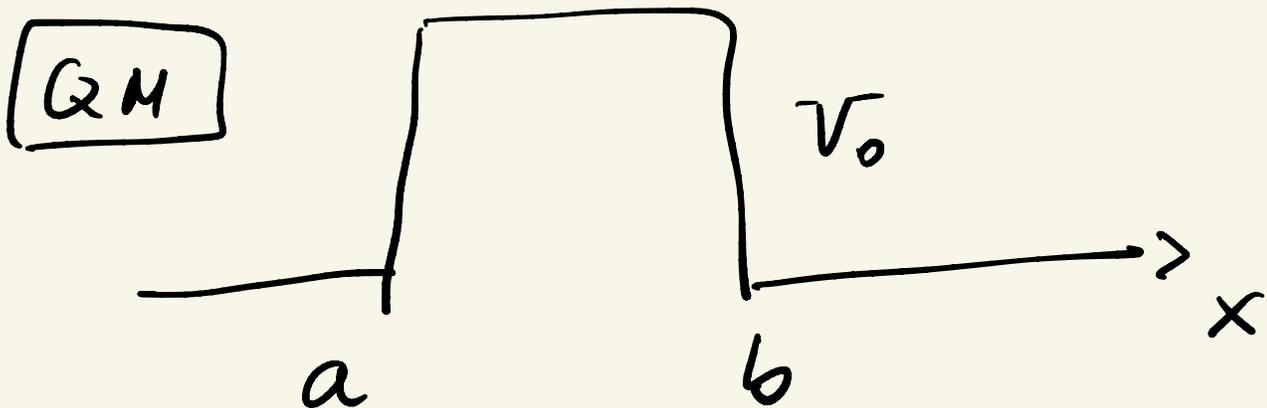
$$= \{ \psi_0^2 = v^2 \} = \{ \pm v \}$$

$$= z_2$$

but, in QM



tunnel from  $-v$  to  $v$



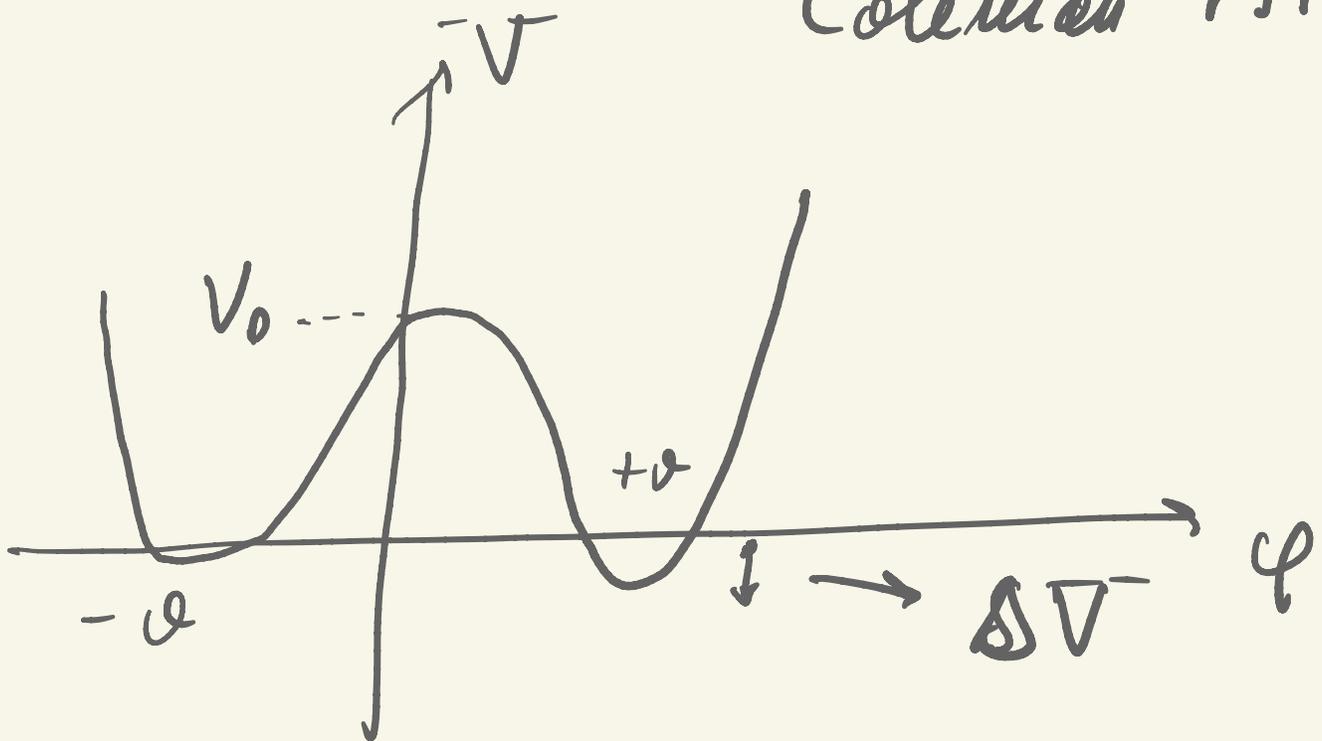
$$\Gamma_{WKB} \propto e^{-\int_a^b \sqrt{2V_0} dx} \neq 0$$



vacuum = ground state  
= sym. superposition of two  
vacua

→ but, in QFT  
No tunneling between  
degenerate vacua

Coleman 1974-76



$$\therefore \Delta V \ll V_0$$

$$\Gamma \propto e^{-\left(\frac{V_0}{\Delta V}\right)^2} \longrightarrow 0$$

$\Delta V \rightarrow 0$

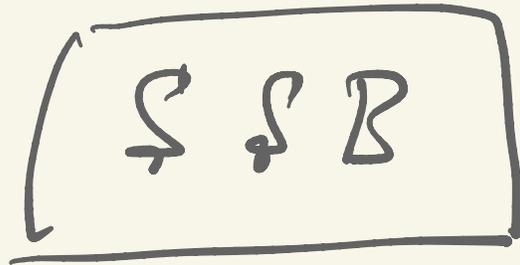
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$$\Delta V = 0 \iff \text{over } \mathcal{S} \mathcal{S} \mathcal{B} \text{ of } Z_2$$

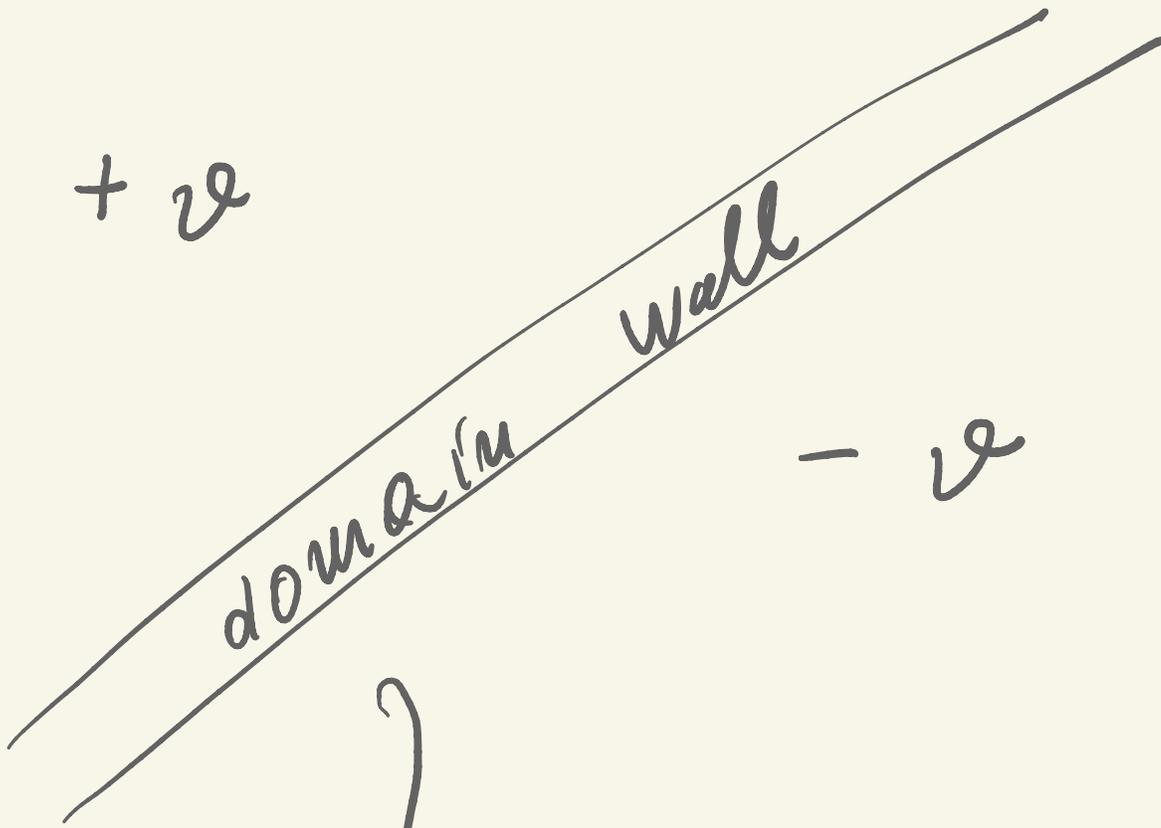
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$\Downarrow$

No tunneling



+  $\psi$



-  $\psi$



classical solution



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static, finite energy

$$\underline{D = z_2} \Leftrightarrow M_0 = \{+v, -v\}$$

coordinate  $z = \text{free}$

$$\Psi_{ce}(z) \equiv \Psi_{dw}(z)$$

$z$  

$x-y$  plane

= infinite



$$E/S = \text{finite}$$

$+\infty$



$$(1) \quad E/S = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial z} \right)^2 + V \right]$$

$\downarrow$  at  $\infty$   $\downarrow$   
0 0

(infinite = very large

= size  $\gg$  thickness of well)

$$(2) \quad \partial_{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \partial_{\mu} \psi} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \psi}$$



$$\square \varphi = - \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi}$$

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$$- \frac{d^2 \varphi_{cl}}{dz^2} = - \frac{\partial V}{\partial \varphi_{cl}} / \frac{d\varphi}{dz}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dz} \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d\varphi_{cl}}{dz} \right)^2 \right) = \frac{dV}{dz}$$

⇓

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d\varphi_{cl}}{dz} \right)^2 = V(\varphi_{cl}) + \text{const.}$$

at  $z$ :

↓	↓	↓
0	0	0



$$\frac{d\psi_c}{dz} = \pm \sqrt{2V}$$

$$\frac{d\psi_c}{dz} = \pm \sqrt{\lambda} (\psi_c^2 - v^2)$$

$$\frac{d\psi_c}{\psi_c^2 - v^2} = \pm \sqrt{\lambda} dz$$



$$\psi_c(z) = \pm v \tanh \sqrt{\lambda} v z$$

$\oplus = \text{domen wall}$   
 $- = \text{cuti} \quad -||-$

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$$\tanh x = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$$

$$\implies 1, \quad x \rightarrow \infty$$

$$-1, \quad x \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$\Downarrow \rightarrow 0, \quad x \rightarrow 0$$

$$\psi_{cl}(z) \rightarrow v, \quad z \rightarrow +\infty$$

$$\psi_{cl}(z) \rightarrow -v, \quad z \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$\mathcal{M}_\infty = \{ +\infty, -\infty \} = \mathbb{Z}_2$$

$\Psi(z)$  = map from  $\mathcal{M}_\infty$   
to  $\mathcal{M}_0$

(i) trivial map

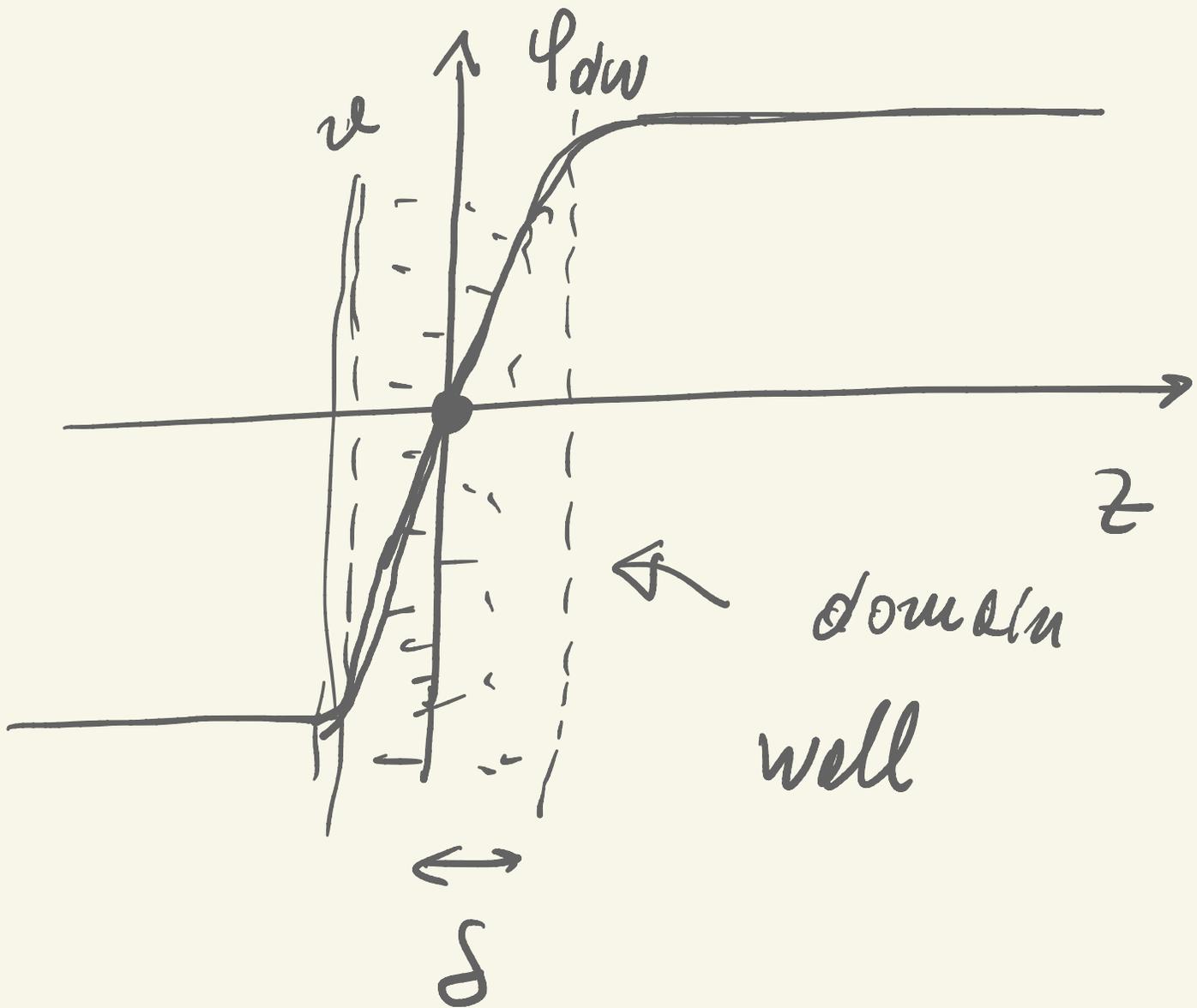
$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_0 &= \text{vacuum state} \\ &= +\vartheta \quad (-\vartheta) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) non-trivial map

$$\psi_{dw} = u \tanh \sqrt{\lambda} z u$$

$$+\infty \rightarrow +u$$

$$-\infty \rightarrow -u$$



$$\delta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda} u} \approx \frac{1}{u}$$

$$\Uparrow$$

$$\boxed{\varphi_{dw}(z) = v \tanh \delta z}$$

LRSM       $v_{LR} > TeV$

$$GeV^{-1} \approx 10^{-14} \text{ cm}$$

$$\boxed{\delta \approx \frac{1}{v_{LR}} \leq 10^{-3} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \leq 10^{-17} \text{ cm}}$$

$$E/S = \int_{-v}^{+v} dz \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{d\varphi_{dw}}{dz} \right)^2 + V \right]$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dz \, 2V = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dz}{d\varphi} d\varphi \, 2V$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\varphi \sqrt{2V} \approx v^3 \neq 0$$

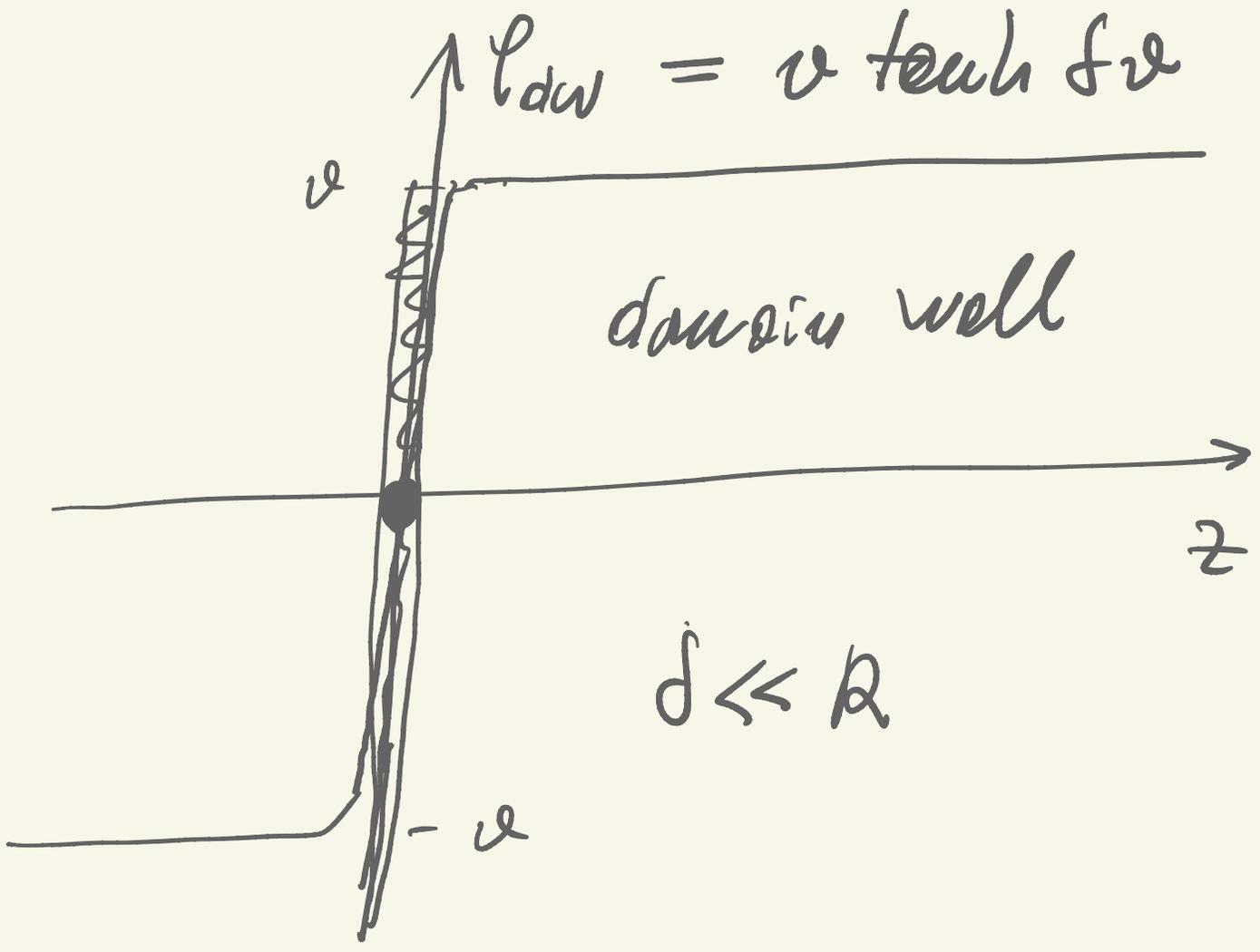
$$v_{LR} = \langle \Delta_R \rangle = \underline{M}_R$$

$$\underline{M}_R \approx M_{WR}, M_{ZR}$$

$$M_{WR} = g \langle \Delta_R \rangle$$

$$\langle \Delta_R \rangle = \frac{M_{WR}}{g} \approx \frac{4 \text{ TeV}}{0.5}$$

$$\langle \Delta_n \rangle \approx 10 T eV$$



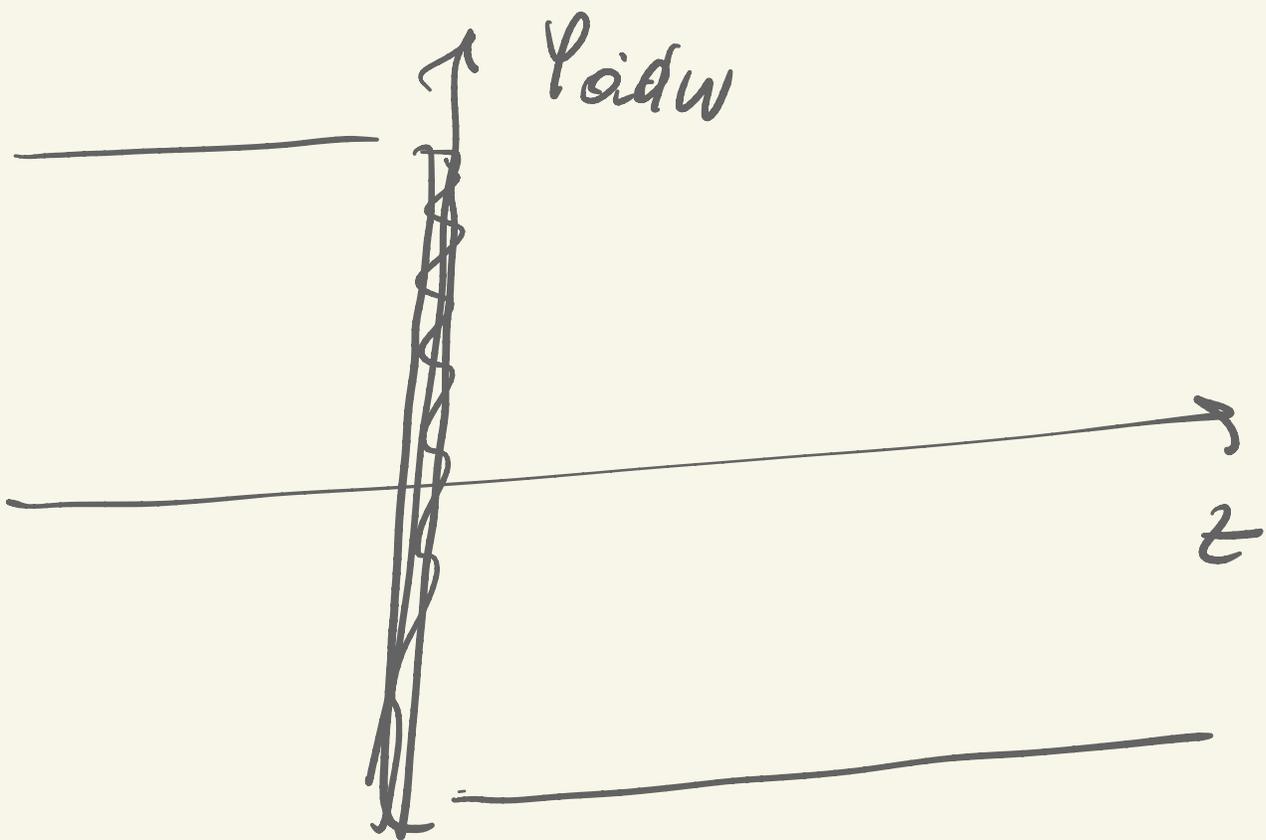
$$E/s = \text{infinite} \iff (s = R \times R)$$

$$R \gg \delta$$

by def. :  $R \gg a$   
macroscopic objects

cuti-domain well

$$\psi_{cuti} = -v \text{ tanh } \psi v$$



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} E_{dw/s} \approx v^3 \\ E_{vac/s} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \frac{dw \rightarrow \varphi_0?}{\text{possible?}}$$



NO!

$$j^\mu = \epsilon^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \varphi \quad (z; t)$$

$$(\epsilon^{\mu\nu} = -\epsilon^{\nu\mu})$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_\mu j^\mu = \epsilon^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \varphi = 0$$

$$j^0 = \partial_z \varphi = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q dw = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dz j^0 (dw) =$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} dz \frac{d\varphi_{ce}(z)}{dz}$$

$$= \varphi_{ce}(+\infty) - \varphi_{ce}(-\infty)$$

$$= 2e$$

in short:

$$\bullet Q(\text{vacuum}) = \psi_0(\infty) - \psi_0(-\infty) \\ = 0$$

$$\bullet Q(dw) = 2e$$

$$\bullet Q(edw) = -2e$$



single  $dw$  ( $edw$ ) = stable

↓ large domain  
well in universe

(large = horizon)

$$E_{dw} = E/s \cdot S_u$$

$$\approx E/s \cdot R_u^2$$

$$R_u \approx 10^{28} \text{ cm}$$

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$$E_{dw} \approx 10^3 R_u^2$$

$$u = \text{universe}$$

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$$\Sigma_{dw} = \frac{E_{dw}}{V_u} \approx \frac{10^3}{R_u^3}$$

energy  
density

$$\epsilon_u \approx 10 \Sigma_{\text{layers}} \quad \text{(stars)} \quad \text{energy density of universe}$$

$$\Sigma_u \approx 10 \mu_B \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

$$\mu_B \approx 10^{-9} \text{ M}_\gamma \approx 10^{-9} T_0^3$$

$$T_0 \approx 10^{-4} \text{ eV} \quad \bar{V} \approx 10^{-13} \text{ GeV}^3$$

$$\Sigma_u \approx 10^{-8} 10^{-39} \text{ GeV}^3 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

$$\Sigma_u \approx 10^{-47} \text{ GeV}^4$$

$$\cdot \mu = \nu_{\text{LR}} = \langle \Delta_R \rangle \approx 10^4 \text{ GeV}$$

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$$\Sigma dw \gtrsim 10^{12} \text{ GeV}^3 / 10^{28} \text{ cm}$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{GeV}^{-1} = 10^{-14} \text{ cm} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\text{cm}} = 10^{-14} \text{ GeV} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Sigma dw \gtrsim 10^{+12} \cdot 10^{-28} \cdot 10^{-14} \text{ GeV}^4$$

$$\Sigma dw (LR) \gtrsim 10^{-30} \text{ GeV}^4$$

Domain Wall Problem

# Solutions

(i) dw did not get formed

⇔ symmetry non-restriction  
at high T

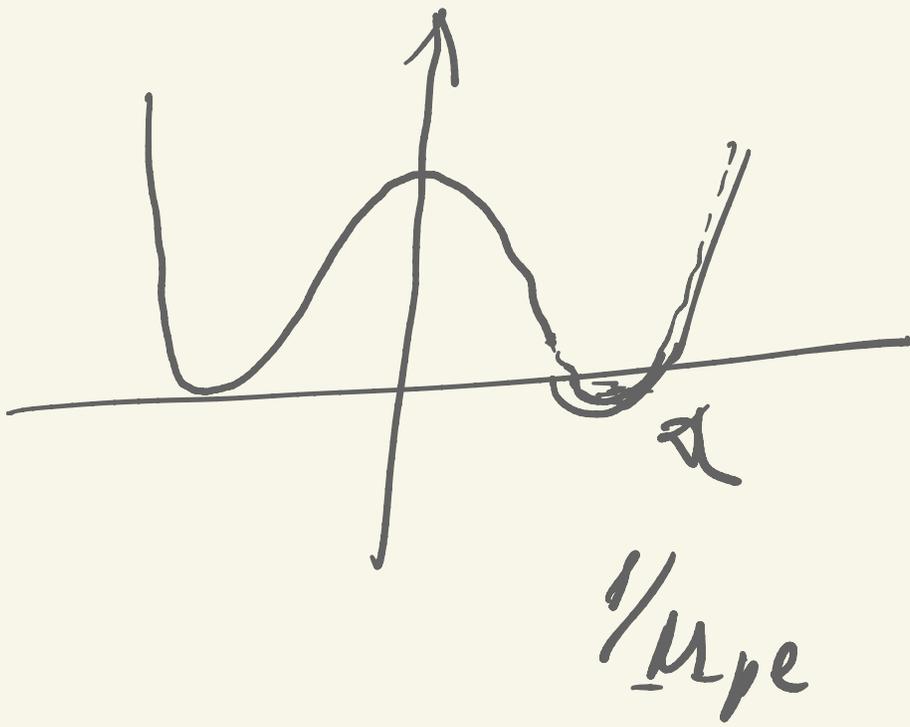
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(ii) inflation

(iii) small bias



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Gravity from a dw

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$$\nabla^2 \bar{V}_{gr} \propto G_N M \text{ (Newton)}$$

$$\nabla^2 \bar{V}_{gr} \propto f(T_{\mu\nu})$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} (d\omega) = \begin{cases} T_{00} = P d\omega > 0 \\ T_x^x = T_y^y = -P d\omega \\ T_z^z = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla^2 \bar{V}_{gr} \propto G_N (T_{00} - T_x^x - T_y^y) \\ \propto (-) G_N P d\omega$$

# Dark energy

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R = 8\pi G_N T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\left[ + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} (?) \right]$$

$$\Lambda g_{\mu\nu} \leftarrow T_{\mu\nu} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{cosmological} \\ \text{constant} \end{array} \right.$$

$$T_{\mu\nu} (\text{vacuum}) \propto g_{\mu\nu}$$

Vacuum energy  $\Leftrightarrow$  cosmological

constant  $\Lambda$



acceleration of far galaxies