Triple-leptoquark interactions for tree- and loop-level proton decays

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Effective lagrangian describing baryon number violation

Lattice QCD for the hadronic part

Scalar Leptoquarks

Triple leptoquark interactions

Proton decay at tree-level
Proton decay at loop-level

## Motivation

## Theoretical side

- Wigner suggested proton decay in 1949 and 1952


Wigner "It is conceivable, for instance, that a conservation law for the number of heavy particles (protons and neutrons) is responsible for the stability of the protons in the same way as the conservation law for charges is responsible for the stability of the electron. Without the conservation law in question, the proton could disintegrate, under emission of a light quantum, into a positron, just as the electron could disintegrate, were it not for the conservation law for the electric charge, into a light quantum and a neutrino."

After 1965 Sakharov returned to fundamental science and began working on particle physics and particle cosmology.
He tried to explain the baryon asymmetry of the universe; in that regard, he was the first to give a theoretical motivation for proton decay.

- 1974: Grand unified theories, Georgi \& Glashow SU(5)



## Future experiments



## Proton decays in effective Lagrangian approach

dimension 6

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{d=6}= & y_{a b c d}^{1} \epsilon^{\alpha \beta \gamma}\left(\bar{d}_{a, \alpha}^{C} u_{b, \beta}\right)\left(\bar{Q}_{i, c, \gamma}^{C} \epsilon_{i j} L_{j, d}\right) \\
& +y_{a b c d}^{2} \epsilon^{\alpha \beta \gamma}\left(\bar{Q}_{i, a, \alpha}^{C} \epsilon_{i j} Q_{j, b, \beta}\right)\left(\bar{u}_{c, \gamma}^{C} \ell_{d}\right) \\
& +y_{a b c d}^{3} \epsilon^{\alpha \beta \gamma} \epsilon_{i l} \epsilon_{j k}\left(\bar{Q}_{i, a, \alpha}^{C} Q_{j, b, \beta}\right)\left(\bar{Q}_{k, c, \gamma}^{C} L_{l, d}\right) \\
& +y_{a b c d}^{4} \epsilon^{\alpha \beta \gamma}\left(\bar{d}_{a, \alpha}^{C} u_{b, \beta}\right)\left(\bar{u}_{c, \gamma}^{C} \ell_{d}\right)+\text { h.c. },
\end{aligned}
$$

$\mathrm{Q}, \mathrm{L} \rightarrow \mathrm{SU}(2)_{\mathrm{L}}$ quark, lepton doublets
$u, d, l \rightarrow S U(2)_{L} u, d$, charged lepton singlets
$C \rightarrow$ charge conjugation

$$
y_{a b c d}^{i} \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda^{2}}
$$



$$
\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow e^{+} \pi^{0}\right) \simeq \frac{1}{2 \times 10^{34} \mathrm{yr}}\left|\frac{y_{111}^{j}}{\left(3 \times 10^{15} \mathrm{GeV}\right)^{-2}}\right|^{2} . \quad \Gamma\left(n \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_{\tau} \pi^{0}\right) \simeq \frac{1}{10^{33} \mathrm{yr}}\left|\frac{y_{3333}^{4}}{\left(5 \times 10^{8} \mathrm{GeV}\right)^{-2}}\right|^{2}
$$



$$
X, Y \text { gauge bosons within GUT }
$$

Instead of $X, Y$ scalar leptoquarks can mediate this process

Scalar LQ
dim-6

e.g. Doršner, SF \& Košnik, 1204.0674

Important: scalar LQ should have di-quark couplings that proton decays at the tree level (dim-6, dim-9,...)

| $(S U(3), S U(2), U(1))$ | Spin | Symbol | Type | $F$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $(\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{3}, 1 / 3)$ | 0 | $S_{3}$ | $L L\left(S_{1}^{L}\right)$ | -2 |
| $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, 7 / 6)$ | 0 | $R_{2}$ | $R L\left(S_{1 / 2}^{L}\right), L R\left(S_{1 / 2}^{R}\right)$ | 0 |
| $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, 1 / 6)$ | 0 | $\tilde{R}_{2}$ | $R L\left(\tilde{S}_{1 / 2}^{L}\right), \overline{L R}\left(\tilde{S}_{1 / 2}^{L}\right)$ | 0 |
| $(\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, 4 / 3)$ | 0 | $\tilde{S}_{1}$ | $R R\left(\tilde{S}_{0}^{R}\right)$ | -2 |
| $(\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, 1 / 3)$ | 0 | $S_{1}$ | $L L\left(S_{0}^{L}\right), R R\left(S_{0}^{R}\right), \overline{R R}\left(S_{0}^{\bar{R}}\right)$ | -2 |
| $(\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1},-2 / 3)$ | 0 | $\bar{S}_{1}$ | $\overline{R R}\left(\bar{S}_{0}^{\bar{R}}\right)$ | -2 |
| $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{3}, 2 / 3)$ | 1 | $U_{3}$ | $L L\left(V_{1}^{L}\right)$ | 0 |
| $(\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{2}, 5 / 6)$ | 1 | $V_{2}$ | $R L\left(V_{1 / 2}^{L}\right), L R\left(V_{1 / 2}^{R}\right)$ | -2 |
| $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2},-1 / 6)$ | 1 | $\tilde{V}_{2}$ | $R L\left(\tilde{V}_{1 / 2}^{L}\right), \overline{L R}\left(\tilde{V}_{1 / 2}^{R}\right)$ | -2 |
| $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, 5 / 3)$ | 1 | $\tilde{U}_{1}$ | $R R\left(\tilde{V}_{0}^{R}\right)$ | 0 |
| $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, 2 / 3)$ | 1 | $U_{1}$ | $L L\left(V_{0}^{L}\right), R R\left(V_{0}^{R}\right), \overline{R R}\left(V_{0}^{\bar{R}}\right)$ | 0 |
| $(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1},-1 / 3)$ | 1 | $\bar{U}_{1}$ |  | $R R\left(\bar{V}_{0}^{\bar{R}}\right)$ |

I. Dorsner, SF, A. Greljo, J.F. Kamenik and Košnik, 1603.04993

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { F- fermion number } \quad F=3 B+L \\
& \text { F=0 proton stable }
\end{aligned}
$$

Tree-level renormalizable interactions are not the only possible source of baryon number violation. It might also occur through higher-dimensional operators.

Proton decay to charged leptons

| channel | $\left(\Delta L_{e}, \Delta L_{\mu}\right)$ limit/years |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-}$ | $(1,0)$ | $793 \times 10^{30}$ |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+} \mu^{+} \mu^{-}$ | $(1,0)$ | $359 \times 10^{30}$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+} e^{+} e^{-}$ | $(0,1)$ | $529 \times 10^{30}$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+} \mu^{+} \mu^{-}$ | $(0,1)$ | $675 \times 10^{30}$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+} \mu^{+} e^{-}$ | $(-1,2)$ | $359 \times 10^{30}$ |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} \mu^{-}$ | $(2,-1)$ | $529 \times 10^{30}$ |

Hambye \& Heeck 1712.04871 16 dimension-nine operators
A)

B)


F-new
fermion


Arnold et al., 1212.455, Murgui \&Wise, 2105.14029 found if three LQ X are in the same representation that this amplitude vanishes.

Triple-leptoquark interactions for tree- and loop-level proton decays

I. Doršner, SF \& O. Sumensari, 2202.08287
Triple-LQs - scalars only!

Two different proton decay topologies

- with or without a Higgs vacuum expectation value
$-\Delta \alpha, \Delta \alpha^{\prime}$, and $\Delta \alpha^{\prime}$ are scalar leptoquark mass eigenstates with electric charges $Q$, $Q^{\prime}$, and $Q^{\prime \prime}$, respectively.


## Classification

scalars

| Leptoquark multiplets | Yukawa interactions |
| :---: | :---: |
| $R_{2}=(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, 7 / 6)$ | $-\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)_{i j} \bar{u}_{R i} R_{2} i_{2} L_{j}+\left(y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)_{i j} \bar{Q}_{i} R_{2} e_{R j}+$ h.c. |
| $\tilde{R}_{2}=(\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, 1 / 6)$ | $-\left(y_{\tilde{R}_{2}}^{L}\right)_{i j} \bar{d}_{R i} \tilde{R}_{2} i \tau_{2} L_{j}+$ h.c. |
| $S_{1}=(\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, 1 / 3)$ | $\left(y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{i j} \bar{Q}_{i}^{C} i_{2} \tau_{1} L_{j}+\left(y_{S_{1}}^{R}\right)_{i j} \bar{u}_{R i}^{C} S_{1} e_{R j}+$ h.c. |
| $S_{3}=(\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{3}, 1 / 3)$ | $\left(y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{i j} \bar{Q}_{i}^{C} i \tau_{2}\left(\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{3}\right) L_{j}+$ h.c. |
| $\tilde{S}_{1}=(\overline{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{1}, 4 / 3)$ | $\left(y_{\tilde{S}_{1}}^{R}\right)_{i j} \bar{d}_{R i}^{C} \tilde{S}_{1} e_{R j}+$ h.c. |

Scalar leptoquark multiplets and their interactions with the SM quark-lepton pairs.

The SM extended with up to three different scalar leptoquark multiplets, denoted with $\Delta, \Delta^{\prime}$, and $\Delta^{\prime \prime}$ and study all possible cubic and quartic contractions $\Delta-\Delta^{\prime}-\Delta^{\prime \prime}$ and $\Delta-\Delta^{\prime}-\Delta^{\prime \prime}-H$, yield to 3-LQ interactions and 3-LQ $\langle H\rangle$.

|  | $S U(3) \times S U(2) \times U(1)$ level | $S U(3) \times U(1)_{\mathrm{em}}$ level |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $(a)$ | $\kappa \tilde{R}_{2}^{T} i \tau_{2} \tilde{R}_{2} S_{1}^{*}$ | $-2 \kappa \epsilon_{a b c} \tilde{R}_{2 a}^{-1 / 3} \tilde{R}_{2 b}^{2 / 3} S_{1 c}^{-1 / 3}$ |
| $(b)$ | $\kappa R_{2}^{T} i \tau_{2} \tilde{R}_{2} \tilde{S}_{1}^{*}$ | $\kappa \epsilon_{a b c}\left(R_{2 a}^{5 / 3} \tilde{R}_{2 b}^{-1 / 3} \tilde{S}_{1 c}^{-4 / 3}-R_{2 a}^{2 / 3} \tilde{R}_{2 b}^{2 / 3} \tilde{S}_{1 c}^{-4 / 3}\right)$ |
| $(c)$ | $\lambda H^{\dagger} i \tau_{2}\left(\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{3}\right)^{*} i \tau_{2} R_{2} S_{1}^{*}$ | $\lambda \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon_{a b c}\left(-S_{3 a}^{-1 / 3} R_{2 b}^{2 / 3} S_{1 c}^{-1 / 3}+\sqrt{2} S_{3 a}^{-4 / 3} R_{2 b}^{5 / 3} S_{1 c}^{-1 / 3}\right)$ |
| $(d)$ | $\lambda H^{\dagger} i \tau_{2}\left(\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{3}\right)^{*}\left(\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{3}\right)^{*} i \tau_{2} R_{2}$ | $\lambda v \sqrt{2} \epsilon_{a b c}\left(\sqrt{2} S_{3 a}^{-1 / 3} S_{3 b}^{-4 / 3} R_{2 c}^{5 / 3}-S_{3 a}^{-4 / 3} S_{3 b}^{2 / 3} R_{2 c}^{2 / 3}\right)$ |
| $(e)$ | $\lambda H^{T} i \tau_{2} R_{2} S_{1}^{*} \tilde{S}_{1}^{*}$ | $-\lambda \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon_{a b c} R_{2 a}^{5 / 3} S_{1 b}^{-1 / 3} \tilde{S}_{1 c}^{-4 / 3}$ |
| $(f)$ | $\lambda H^{T}\left(\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{3}\right)^{*} i \tau_{2} R_{2} \tilde{S}_{1}^{*}$ | $\lambda \frac{v}{\sqrt{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon_{a b c}\left(\sqrt{2} S_{3 a}^{2 / 3} R_{2 b}^{2 / 3} \tilde{S}_{1 c}^{-4 / 3}+S_{3 a}^{-1 / 3} R_{2 b}^{5 / 3} \tilde{S}_{1 c}^{-4 / 3}\right)}$ |
| $(g)$ | $\lambda H^{T}\left(\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{3}\right)^{*} i \tau_{2} \tilde{R}_{2} S_{1}^{*}$ | $\lambda \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}} \epsilon_{a b c}\left(\sqrt{2} S_{3 a}^{2 / 3} \tilde{R}_{2 b}^{-1 / 3} S_{1 c}^{-1 / 3}+S_{3 a}^{-1 / 3} \tilde{R}_{2 b}^{2 / 3} S_{1 c}^{-1 / 3}\right)$ |
| $(h)$ | $\lambda H^{\dagger}\left(\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{3}\right)^{*}\left(\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{S}_{3}\right)^{*} i \tau_{2} \tilde{R}_{2}$ | $\lambda v \sqrt{2} \epsilon_{a b c}\left(\sqrt{2} S_{3 a}^{2 / 3} S_{3 b}^{-1 / 3} \tilde{R}_{2 c}^{-1 / 3}+S_{3 a}^{-4 / 3} S_{3 b}^{2 / 3} \tilde{R}_{2 c}^{2 / 3}\right)$ |

$$
S_{3}^{1 / 3}=S_{3}^{3}, S_{3}^{4 / 3}=\left(S_{3}^{1}-i S_{3}^{2}\right) / \sqrt{2}, S_{3}^{-2 / 3}=\left(S_{3}^{1}+i S_{3}^{2}\right) / \sqrt{2}
$$

Cubic and quartic leptoquark multiplet contractions at the $\mathrm{SU}(3) \times \mathrm{SU}(2) \times \mathrm{U}(1)$ level and the associated triple-leptoquark interactions at the $\mathrm{SU}(3) \times \mathrm{U}(1)$ em level
$\tilde{R}_{2}-\tilde{R}_{2}-\tilde{R}_{2}-H^{*}, S_{1}-S_{1}-R_{2}^{*}-H$,
$\tilde{R}_{2}-\tilde{R}_{2}-S_{3}^{*}, S_{1}-S_{1}-\tilde{R}_{2}^{*}-H^{*}$
vanish
symmetric under the exchange of two identical electric charge eigenstates in direct conflict with the antisymmetric nature in the colour $\operatorname{SU}(3)$ space.

Way out: to accommodate them in different representations.

Tree level proton decays
Loop-level proton decay
 quark q, or the lepton running in the loop

$$
\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-}\right) \simeq \frac{m_{p}}{(16 \pi)^{3}}\left(\frac{m_{p}^{5} v}{\Lambda^{6}}\right)^{2}\left|\lambda y_{u e}^{2} y_{d e}\right|^{2}
$$

$$
\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}\right) \simeq \frac{m_{p}}{16 \pi}\left(\frac{m_{p}^{2}}{\Lambda^{2}}\right)^{2}\left|y_{u d} y_{u e}\right|^{2}
$$

## Comparison tree and loop level proton decay width

an example


$$
\frac{\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-}\right)}{\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}\right)} \simeq \frac{1}{\pi^{2}}\left(\frac{m_{p}^{3}}{m_{f} \Lambda^{2}}\right)^{2} \simeq 10^{-7}\left(\frac{m_{e}}{m_{f}}\right)^{2}\left(\frac{1 \mathrm{TeV}}{\Lambda}\right)^{4}
$$

The loop-induced processes are more sensitive probes of the triple-leptoquark interactions than the tree-level ones
comparison of the existing data

$$
\left\{\begin{array}{c}
p \rightarrow e^{-} e^{+} e^{+} \\
p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}
\end{array}\right.
$$

$$
\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow \pi^{0} \ell^{+}\right) \sim \frac{1}{10} \Gamma\left(p \rightarrow \ell^{+} \ell^{-} \ell^{+}\right)
$$

|  | Contractions | Operators | Proton decay (tree) | Proton decay (one-loop) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) | $\tilde{R}_{2}-\tilde{R}_{2}-S_{1}^{*}$ | $d d d e \bar{\nu} \nu \bar{\nu}$ <br> $d d u e \bar{e} \bar{\nu}$ | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \pi^{+} e^{-} \nu \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \nu \end{aligned}$ | $p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \nu$ |
| (b) | $R_{2}-\tilde{R}_{2}-\tilde{S}_{1}^{*}$ | $d d d e \bar{e} \bar{e}$ <br> $d d u e \bar{e} \bar{\nu}$ | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \pi^{+} e^{-} e^{+} e^{-} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \nu \end{aligned}$ | $p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \nu$ |
| (c) | $S_{1}-S_{3}-R_{2}^{*}-H$ | $d d u e \bar{e} \nu$ <br> duue $\nu \bar{\nu}$ <br> duиeeē <br> иииее $\bar{\nu}$ | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow e^{+} \nu \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{-} e^{+} e^{+} \nu \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+} \end{aligned}$ |
| (d) | $S_{3}-S_{3}-R_{2}^{*}-H$ | $d d u e \bar{e} \nu$ <br> duиe $\nu \bar{\nu}$ <br> duиeē | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow e^{+} \nu \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \end{aligned}$ | $p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu}$ $p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}$ |
| (e) | $S_{1}-\tilde{S}_{1}-R_{2}^{*}-H^{*}$ | $d d u e \bar{e} \nu$ <br> dиueē | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+} \end{aligned}$ |
| (f) | $S_{3}-\tilde{S}_{1}-R_{2}^{*}-H^{*}$ | $d d u e \bar{e} \nu$ <br> duue $\nu \bar{\nu}$ <br> dиueē | $\begin{aligned} p & \rightarrow \pi^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \bar{\nu} \\ p & \rightarrow e^{+} \nu \bar{\nu} \\ p & \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+} \end{aligned}$ |
| (g) | $S_{1}-S_{3}-\tilde{R}_{2}^{*}-H^{*}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \nu \bar{\nu} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow e^{+} \nu \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+} \\ & p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+} \end{aligned}$ |
| (h) | $S_{3}-S_{3}-\tilde{R}_{2}^{*}-H^{*}$ | $d d u \nu \bar{\nu} \nu$ <br> $d d u e \bar{e} \nu$ <br> duиe $\nu \bar{\nu}$ | $\begin{aligned} p & \rightarrow \pi^{+} \nu \bar{\nu} \bar{\nu} \\ p & \rightarrow \pi^{+} e^{+} e^{-} \bar{\nu} \\ p & \rightarrow e^{+} \nu \bar{\nu} \end{aligned}$ | $p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu}$ $p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}$ |

non-trivial $\Delta-\Delta^{\prime}-\Delta^{\prime \prime}$ and $\Delta-\Delta^{\prime}-\Delta^{\prime \prime}-H$ contractions,
$d=9$ effective operators, and corresponding proton decay

The effective operators in scenarios (a) and (b) conserve $B+L$, while the ones appearing in the remaining scenarios conserve $B-L$, where $B$ and $L$ are baryon and lepton numbers, respectively.

Tree-level leptoquark mediation of $p \rightarrow e^{-} e^{+} e^{+}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{L}_{\text {eff }}^{(d=9)} \supset \sum_{X=L, R} \epsilon_{a b c} C_{X}\left(\bar{u}_{a}^{C} P_{L} e\right)\left(\bar{d}_{b}^{C} P_{L} e\right)\left(\bar{e} P_{X} u_{c}\right)+\text { h.c. }, \\
& C_{L}=\frac{2 \sqrt{2} \lambda v}{m_{S_{3}}^{4} m_{R_{2}}^{2}}\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right) y_{S_{3}}^{L}\left(V y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)^{*}, \\
& C_{R}=-\frac{2 \sqrt{2} \lambda v}{m_{S_{3}}^{4} m_{R_{2}}^{2}}\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right) y_{S_{3}}^{L}\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)^{*} .
\end{aligned}
$$


$S_{3}-S_{3}-R_{2}^{*}-H$
$\epsilon_{a b c}\langle 0|\left(\bar{u}_{a}^{C} P_{R} d_{b}\right) P_{L} u_{c}|p\rangle=\alpha_{p} P_{R} u_{p}$
$\epsilon_{a b c}\langle 0|\left(\bar{u}_{a}^{C} P_{L} d_{b}\right) P_{L} u_{c}|p\rangle=\beta_{p} P_{L} u_{p}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \alpha_{p}=-0.0144(3)(21) \mathrm{GeV}^{3} \\
& \beta_{p}=+0.0144(3)(21) \mathrm{GeV}^{3}
\end{aligned}
$$

Decay width

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-}\right)=\frac{m_{p}^{5}}{6(16 \pi)^{3}}\left(\beta_{p}^{2}\left|C_{L}\right|^{2}+\alpha_{p}^{2}\left|C_{R}\right|^{2}\right) \\
\tau\left(p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-}\right)>3.4 \times 10^{34} \text { years }
\end{array}
$$

experiment SuperKamiokande Takenaka et al., 2010.16098
assumptions $y_{S_{3}}^{L}=y_{R_{2}}^{R}=y_{R_{2}}^{L}=\lambda=1$

$$
m_{S_{3}}=m_{R_{2}}=\Lambda \quad p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-}: \quad \Lambda \geq 1.6 \times 10^{2} \mathrm{TeV}
$$

Loop-level leptoquark mediation of $p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}$

$$
\mathcal{L}_{\text {eff }}^{(d=6)} \supset C_{L L}^{u d e u}\left(\bar{u}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{L} d\right)\left(\bar{e}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{L} u\right)+C_{L R}^{u d e u}\left(\bar{u}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{L} d\right)\left(\bar{e}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{R} u\right)+\text { h.c. },
$$

## Explicit loop computation

$$
\text { General scenario } \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text {scalar }} \supset \lambda v \varepsilon_{a b c} \Delta_{a}^{Q} \Delta_{b}^{Q^{\prime}} \Delta_{c}^{Q^{\prime \prime}}+\text { h.c. }
$$

LQ interactions with quarks and leptons
 $\mathcal{L}_{\text {yuk. }} \supset \bar{q}\left(y_{R} P_{R}+y_{L} P_{L}\right) \ell \Delta^{Q}+\overline{q^{C}}\left(y_{R}^{\prime} P_{R}+y_{L}^{\prime} P_{L}\right) \ell \Delta^{Q^{\prime} *}+$ h.c.

The loop diagram corresponds to a loop-induced diquark coupling of the $\Delta \alpha^{\prime}$ leptoquark

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{qq}} \\
&=\varepsilon_{a b c} \overline{q_{a}^{C}}\left(y_{q q^{\prime}}^{L} P_{L}+y_{q q^{\prime}}^{L} P_{R}\right) q_{b}^{\prime} \Delta_{c}^{Q^{\prime \prime}}+\text { h.c. } \\
& y_{q q^{\prime}}^{L}=\frac{\lambda v}{16 \pi^{2} m_{\Delta}^{2}}\left(m_{\ell} y_{L}^{\prime} y_{R}^{*}-\frac{m_{q}}{4} y_{R}^{\prime} y_{R}^{*}-\frac{m_{q^{\prime}}^{\prime}}{4} y_{L}^{\prime} y_{L}^{*}\right) \\
& y_{q q^{\prime}}^{R}=\frac{\lambda v}{16 \pi^{2} m_{\Delta}^{2}}\left(m_{\ell} y_{R}^{\prime} y_{L}^{*}-\frac{m_{q}}{4} y_{L}^{\prime} y_{L}^{*}-\frac{m_{q^{\prime}}}{4} y_{R}^{\prime} y_{R}^{*}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

Chirality flip in the internal lepton and external quark lines

Ingredients

$$
C_{L L}^{u d e u}=\frac{\sqrt{2} \lambda}{8 \pi^{2}} \frac{v m_{e}}{\Lambda^{4}}\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)\left[y_{S_{3}}^{L}\left(V y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)^{*}+\frac{m_{d}}{4 m_{e}} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)^{*}\right],
$$

$$
C_{L R}^{u d e u}=\frac{\lambda}{32 \pi^{2}} \frac{v m_{u}}{\Lambda^{4}}\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)^{2}\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)^{*} .
$$

$$
\left\langle\pi^{0}\right| \mathcal{O}^{\Gamma \Gamma^{\prime}}|p\rangle=\left[W_{0}^{\Gamma \Gamma^{\prime}}\left(q^{2}\right)-\frac{i q}{m_{p}} W_{1}^{\Gamma \Gamma^{\prime}}\left(q^{2}\right)\right] P_{\Gamma^{\prime}} u_{p}
$$

$$
\mathcal{O}^{\Gamma \Gamma^{\prime}}=\left(\bar{u}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{\Gamma} d\right) P_{\Gamma^{\prime}} u
$$

## Form factors

$\Gamma, \Gamma^{\prime}=R, L . \quad\left\langle\pi^{+}\right|\left(\bar{u}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{\Gamma} d\right) P_{\Gamma^{\prime}} d|p\rangle=\sqrt{2}\left\langle\pi^{0}\right|\left(\bar{u}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{\Gamma} d\right) P_{\Gamma^{\prime}} u|p\rangle$

$$
\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}\right)=\frac{m_{p}}{32 \pi}\left(1-\frac{m_{\pi}^{2}}{m_{p}^{2}}\right)^{2}\left[\left(W_{0}^{L L}\right)^{2}\left|C_{L L}^{u d e u}\right|^{2}+\left(W_{0}^{R L}\right)^{2}\left|C_{L R}^{u d e u}\right|^{2}\right]
$$

$$
W_{0}^{L L}=0.134(5) \mathrm{GeV}^{2} \quad W_{0}^{L R}=-0.131(4) \mathrm{GeV}^{2} \quad \text { Lattice QCD, Aoki et al., } 1705.01338
$$

assuming $\quad y_{S_{3}}^{L}=y_{R_{2}}^{L}=y_{R_{2}}^{R}=\lambda=1$ and $\quad m_{S_{3}}=m_{R_{2}}=\Lambda$

$$
p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}: \quad \Lambda \geq 1.8 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{TeV}
$$

$$
p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu}
$$

$$
\mathcal{L}_{\text {eff }}^{(d=6)} \supset C_{L L}^{u d \nu d}\left(\bar{u}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{L} d\right)\left(\bar{\nu}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{L} d\right)+C_{R L}^{u d \nu d}\left(\bar{u}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{R} d\right)\left(\bar{\nu}^{\mathrm{C}} P_{L} d\right)+\text { h.c. }
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
C_{L L}^{u d \nu d} & =-\frac{\sqrt{2} \lambda}{8 \pi^{2}} \frac{v m_{e}}{\Lambda^{4}}\left(y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)^{2}\left[\left(V y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)^{*}+\frac{m_{d}}{4 m_{e}}\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)^{*}\right] \\
C_{R L}^{u d \nu d} & =-\frac{\lambda}{32 \pi^{2}} \frac{v m_{u}}{\Lambda^{4}}\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)^{2}\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)^{*} .
\end{aligned}
$$


$\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \nu\right)=\frac{m_{p}}{16 \pi}\left(1-\frac{m_{\pi}^{2}}{m_{p}^{2}}\right)^{2}\left[\left(W_{0}^{L L}\right)^{2}\left|C_{L L}^{u d \nu}\right|^{2}+\left(W_{0}^{R L}\right)^{2}\left|C_{R L}^{u d \nu}\right|^{2}\right]$
assuming $\quad y_{S_{3}}^{L}=y_{R_{2}}^{L}=y_{R_{2}}^{R}=\lambda=1$ and $\quad m_{S_{3}}=m_{R_{2}}=\Lambda$

$$
p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \bar{\nu}: \quad \Lambda \geq 1.2 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{TeV}
$$

## Conclusions

- we study a phenomenological impact of triple-leptoquark interactions on proton stability;
- there are two different decay topologies under the assumption that scalar leptoquarks of interest couple solely to the quark-lepton pairs;
- the tree - level topology has been analysed in the literature before in the context of baryon number violation while the one-loop level one has not been featured in any scientific study to date;
- we demonstrate that it is the one-loop level topology that is producing more stringent bounds on the scalar leptoquark masses of the two, if and when they coexist;

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\begin{gathered}
p \rightarrow e^{+} e^{+} e^{-}: \quad \Lambda \geq 1.6 \times 10^{2} \mathrm{TeV} \\
p \rightarrow \pi^{0} e^{+}: \quad \Lambda \geq 1.8 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{TeV}
\end{gathered}
$$

- we also specify the most prominent proton decay signatures due to the presence of all non-trivial cubic and quartic contractions involving three scalar leptoquark multiplets, where in the latter case one of the scalar multiplets is the SM Higgs doublet


## Thanks



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\begin{array}{ll}
\mathcal{O}_{1}^{9}=(Q Q)_{1}(\bar{L} \bar{L})_{1}(\ell d), & \mathcal{O}_{2}^{9}=(Q Q)_{1}(\bar{L} \ell)(\bar{L} d), \\
\mathcal{O}_{3}^{9}=(Q L)_{1}(\bar{L} d)(\bar{L} d), & \mathcal{O}_{4}^{9}=(\bar{\ell} Q)(\bar{L} d)(\ell d), \\
\mathcal{O}_{5}^{9}=(\bar{L} \bar{L})(u d)(\ell d), & \mathcal{O}_{6}^{9}=(\bar{L} u)(\bar{L} d)(\ell d), \\
\mathcal{O}_{7}^{9}=(\bar{L} d)(\bar{L} \ell)(u d), & \mathcal{O}_{8}^{9}=(\bar{L} d)(\bar{L} d)(\ell u), \\
\mathcal{O}_{9}^{9}=(Q L)_{3}((\bar{L} d)(\bar{L} d))_{3}, & \mathcal{O}_{10}^{9}=(Q L)_{1}(\bar{L} \bar{L})_{1}(d d), \\
\mathcal{O}_{11}^{9}=(Q L)_{3}(\bar{L} \bar{L})_{3}(d d), & \mathcal{O}_{12}^{9}=(\bar{\ell} Q)(\bar{L} \ell)(d d), \\
\mathcal{O}_{13}^{9}=(\bar{L} \bar{L})(u \ell)(d d), & \mathcal{O}_{14}^{9}=(\bar{L} u)(\bar{L} \ell)(d d), \\
\mathcal{O}_{15}^{9}=(\bar{\ell} L)(\bar{L} d)(d d), & \mathcal{O}_{16}^{9}=(\bar{\ell} \bar{\ell})(\ell d)(d d) .
\end{array}
$$

$$
\Gamma\left(p \rightarrow \ell_{\alpha}^{+} \ell_{\beta}^{+} \ell_{\gamma}^{-}\right) \sim \frac{\langle H\rangle^{2} \beta_{\mathrm{h}}^{2} m_{p}^{5}}{6144 \pi^{3} \Lambda^{12}} \simeq \frac{(100 \mathrm{TeV} / \Lambda)^{12}}{10^{33} \mathrm{yrs}}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{L}_{(a)} \supset \frac{2 \kappa \epsilon_{a b c}}{m_{R_{2}}^{4} m_{S_{1}}^{2}}\left(y_{\bar{R}_{2}}^{L}\right)_{i j}^{*}\left(\bar{L}_{L}^{j} d_{R a}\right)\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)_{{ }_{1 k}}^{*}\left(\bar{E}_{L}^{k} d_{R b}\right) \\
& \left.\times\left[\left(V^{*} y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{i i}\left(\overline{u_{L c}^{C}} e_{L}^{C} e_{L}^{i}\right)-\left(y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{i}\left(\bar{d}_{L c}^{C} \nu_{L}^{i}\right)\right)+\left(y_{S_{1}^{R}}^{R}\right)_{i i}\left(\bar{u}_{R c}^{C} e_{R}^{i}\right)\right]+ \text { h.c. },
\end{aligned}
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\begin{aligned}
& \mathcal{L}_{(c)} \supset \frac{\lambda \epsilon_{a b b}}{\sqrt{2} m_{s_{3}}^{2} m_{R_{2}}^{2} m_{S_{1}}^{2}}\left[\left(V^{*} y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{i i}\left(\bar{u}_{L_{c}}^{C} e_{L}^{i}\right)-\left(y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{i i}\left(\bar{d}_{L_{c}}^{C} \nu_{L}^{i}\right)+\left(y_{S_{1}}^{R}\right)_{1 i}\left(\bar{u}_{R c}^{C} e_{R}^{i}\right)\right] \\
& \times\left\{\left[\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{u}_{L a}^{C} G_{L}^{j}\right)+\left(y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{i j}\left(\bar{d}_{L_{a}}^{C} \nu_{L}^{j}\right)\right]\left[\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}^{*}\left(\bar{\nu}_{L}^{k} u_{R b}\right)+\left(y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)_{k}^{*}\left(e_{R}^{k} d_{L b}\right)\right]\right. \\
& \left.-\sqrt{2}\left(y_{s_{s}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{d}_{L_{a}}^{C} e_{L}^{e_{L}}\right)\left[\left(V y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)_{i k}^{*}\left(e_{R}^{k} u_{L b}\right)-\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)^{1}{ }_{1 k}^{*}\left(e_{L}^{k} u_{R b}\right)\right]\right\}+ \text { h.c. }, \\
& \mathcal{L}_{(t)} \supset \frac{2 \sqrt{2} \lambda \epsilon_{\epsilon_{b}} v}{m_{s_{s}}^{4} m_{R_{2}}^{2}}\left(y_{s_{3}}^{L}\right)_{j j}\left(\bar{d}_{L_{a}} e_{e_{L}^{j}}^{j}\right) \\
& \times\left\{\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{k k}\left(\bar{u}_{L b_{L}}^{C} \nu_{L}^{k}\right)\left[y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)_{i i}^{*}\left(\bar{\nu}_{L}^{i} u_{R c}\right)+\left(y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)_{i i}^{*}\left(e_{R}^{i} d_{L c}\right)\right] \\
& \left.+\left[\left(y_{S_{s}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}\left(\bar{d}_{L b}^{C} \nu_{L}^{E}\right)+\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{k}\left(\bar{u}_{L b}^{C} b_{L}^{k}\right)\right]\left[\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)_{i i}^{*}\left(e_{L}^{i} u_{R c}\right)-\left(V y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)_{i i}^{*}\left(e_{R}^{e} u_{L c}\right)\right]\right\} \\
& + \text { h.c. }
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L}_{(e)} & \supset \frac{-\lambda \epsilon_{a b c} v}{\sqrt{2} m_{\tilde{S}_{1}}^{2} m_{R_{2}}^{2} m_{S_{1}}^{2}}\left(y_{\tilde{S}_{1}}^{R}\right)_{1 i}\left(\bar{d}_{R c}^{C} e_{R}^{i}\right)\left[\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}^{*}\left(\bar{e}_{L}^{j} u_{R a}\right)-\left(V y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)_{1 j}^{*}\left(\bar{e}_{R}^{j} u_{L a}\right)\right] \\
& \times\left[\left(V^{*} y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}\left(\bar{u}_{L b}^{C} e_{L}^{k}\right)+\left(y_{S_{1}}^{R}\right)_{1 k}\left(\bar{u}_{R b}^{C} e_{R}^{k}\right)-\left(y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}\left(\bar{d}_{L b}^{C} \nu_{L}^{k}\right)\right]+\text { h.c. }, \\
\mathcal{L}_{(f)} & \supset \frac{\lambda \epsilon_{a b c} v}{\sqrt{2} m_{R_{2}}^{2} m_{S_{3}}^{2} m_{\tilde{S}_{1}}^{2}}\left(y_{\tilde{S}_{1}}^{R}\right)_{1 i}\left(\bar{d}_{c}^{C} P_{R} e^{i}\right) \\
& \times\left\{2\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{u}_{L a}^{C} \nu_{L}^{j}\right)\left[\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}^{*}\left(\bar{\nu}_{L}^{k} u_{R b}\right)+\left(y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)_{1 k}^{*}\left(\bar{e}_{R}^{k} d_{L b}\right)\right]\right. \\
& \left.+\left[\left(y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{d}_{L a}^{C} \nu_{L}^{j}\right)+\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{u}_{L a}^{C} e_{L}^{j}\right)\right]\left[\left(y_{R_{2}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}^{*}\left(\bar{e}_{L}^{k} u_{R b}\right)-\left(V y_{R_{2}}^{R}\right)_{1 k}^{*}\left(\bar{e}_{R}^{k} u_{L b}\right)\right]\right\} \\
\mathcal{L}_{(g)} & \supset \frac{\lambda \epsilon_{a b c} v}{\sqrt{2} m_{S_{3}}^{2} m_{\tilde{R}_{2}}^{2} m_{S_{1}}^{2}}\left[\left(V^{*} y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{1 i}\left(\bar{u}_{L c}^{C} e_{L}^{i}\right)-\left(y_{S_{1}}^{L}\right)_{1 i}\left(\bar{d}_{L c}^{C} \nu_{L}^{i}\right)+\left(y_{S_{1}}^{R}\right)_{1 i}\left(\bar{u}_{R c}^{C} e_{R}^{i}\right)\right] \\
& \times\left\{\left[\left(y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{d}_{L a}^{C} \nu_{L}^{j}\right)+\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{u}_{L a}^{C} e_{L}^{j}\right)\right]\left(y_{\tilde{R}_{2}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}^{*}\left(\bar{e}_{L}^{k} d_{R b}\right)\right. \\
& \left.+2\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{u}_{L a}^{C} \nu_{L}^{j}\right)\left(y_{\tilde{R}_{2}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}^{*}\left(\bar{\nu}_{L}^{k} d_{R b}\right)\right\}+ \text { h.c. }, \\
\mathcal{L}_{(h)} & \supset \frac{2 \sqrt{2} \lambda_{\epsilon_{a b c} v}}{m_{S_{3}}^{4} m_{\tilde{R}_{2}}^{2}}\left\{( y _ { S _ { 3 } } ^ { L } ) _ { 1 j } ( \overline { d } _ { L a } ^ { C } e _ { L } ^ { j } ) ( V ^ { * } y _ { S _ { 3 } } ^ { L } ) _ { 1 k } ( \overline { u } _ { L b } ^ { C } \nu _ { L } ^ { k } ) \left(y_{\tilde{R}_{2}}^{L} 1_{1 i}^{*}\left(\bar{e}_{L}^{i} d_{R c}\right)\right.\right. \\
& \left.-\left(y_{\tilde{R}_{2}}^{L}\right)_{1 i}^{*}\left(\bar{\nu}_{L}^{i} d_{R c}\right)\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 j}\left(\bar{u}_{L a}^{C} \nu_{L}^{j}\right)\left[\left(y_{S_{3}}\right)_{1 k}^{L}\left(\bar{d}_{L b}^{C} \nu_{L}^{k}\right)+\left(V^{*} y_{S_{3}}^{L}\right)_{1 k}\left(\bar{u}_{L b}^{C} e_{L}^{k}\right)\right]\right\}+ \text { h.c. }
\end{aligned}
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| Channel | $\|\Delta(B-L)\|$ | $\frac{\Gamma^{-1}}{10^{30} \mathrm{yr}}$ |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+}+\gamma$ | 0 | $41000[72]$ |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+}+\pi^{0}$ | 0 | $16000[24]$ |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+}+\eta$ | 0 | $10000[73]$ |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+}+\rho^{0}$ | 0 | $720[73]$ |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+}+\omega$ | 0 | $1600[73]$ |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+}+K^{0}$ | 0 | $1000[74]$ |
| $p \rightarrow e^{+}+K^{*, 0}$ | 0 | $84[65]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+}+\gamma$ | 0 | $21000[72]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+}+\pi^{0}$ | 0 | $7700[24]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+}+\eta$ | 0 | $4700[73]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+}+\rho^{0}$ | 0 | $570[73]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+}+\omega$ | 0 | $2800[73]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \mu^{+}+K^{0}$ | 0 | $1600[75]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \nu+\pi^{+}$ | 0,2 | $390[76]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \nu+\rho^{+}$ | 0,2 | $162[65]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \nu+K^{+}$ | 0,2 | $5900[77]$ |
| $p \rightarrow \nu+K^{*,+}$ | 0,2 | $130[78]$ |

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