

**COULD THE LHC POMERON BE  
THE KEY TO EVERYTHING ? \***

*A color sextet quark sector of QCD could be the origin of EW symmetry breaking. It would dominate UHE x-sections & would explain the CR knee, dark matter, & much more.*

*It should be unavoidably seen by FP420 detectors via pair production of  $W$ 's &  $Z$ 's. In this talk I will raise the stakes by describing why*

**THE SEXTET SECTOR SHOULD BE PART OF QUD - A UNIQUE SU(5) UNIFIED MASSLESS "THEORY OF MATTER" (no gravity) THAT COULD BE THE ORIGIN OF THE FULL STANDARD MODEL.**

*Discovery of the sextet sector would be very close to discovery of QUD !!!*

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Key points of my previous talks at this meeting were

1. *High-energy unitarity requires {via the Critical  $\mathbb{P}$ } an extra quark sector in QCD - asymptotic freedom must be “saturated”. The only solution is **6 color triplet quarks + 2 color sextet quarks**  $\longleftrightarrow$  “**QCD<sub>S</sub>**”*
2.  *$W^\pm$  &  $Z^0$  will eat the “sextet pions”  $\longrightarrow$  electroweak symmetry breaking with no new interaction (the electroweak scale is the **QCD sextet chiral scale !!!**)*
3. *The CR knee, & other CR phenomena, suggest a threshold for the expected new physics\* between Tevatron & LHC. **If so, there must be large x-section effects at the LHC.***
4. *The double  $\mathbb{P}$  x-section will be crucial for establishing that the sextet sector has appeared. {I will come back to this towards the end.}*

***BUT,** how is the electroweak anomaly of the sextet sector canceled (??) & how are other particle masses generated ???*

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Some years ago, Kang & I looked at left-handed unified theories and found a remarkable, *but puzzling*, result. *Requiring only*

1. **the sextet sector**
2. **asymptotic freedom**
3. **anomaly cancelation**

**uniquely selects SU(5) gauge theory with the fermion representation  $5 + 15 + 40 + 45^*$   $\longleftrightarrow$**

**“QUD”**

*{Quantum Uno/Unification/Unitary/Underlying Dynamics}*

**Amazingly, the triplet quark and lepton sectors of QUD (which were not asked for!) are very close to the Standard Model !!**

**There are 3 “generations” of quarks & antiquarks with charges  $\pm 2/3$ ,  $\pm 1/3$  (and so QUD contains QCD<sub>S</sub>) together with 3 “generations” of leptons.**

Under  $SU(3) \otimes SU(2) \otimes U(1)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{5} &= (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, -\frac{1}{3})^{\{\mathbf{3}\}} + (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, \frac{1}{2})^{\{\mathbf{2}\}} , \\
 \mathbf{15} &= (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}) + (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, \frac{1}{6})^{\{\mathbf{1}\}} + (\mathbf{6}, \mathbf{1}, -\frac{2}{3}) , \\
 \mathbf{40} &= (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, -\frac{3}{2})^{\{\mathbf{3}\}} + (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, \frac{1}{6})^{\{\mathbf{2}\}} + (\mathbf{3}^*, \mathbf{1}, -\frac{2}{3}) + (\mathbf{3}^*, \mathbf{3}, -\frac{2}{3}) \\
 &\quad + (\mathbf{6}^*, \mathbf{2}, \frac{1}{6}) + (\mathbf{8}, \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}) , \\
 \mathbf{45}^* &= (\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{2}, -\frac{1}{2})^{\{\mathbf{1}\}} + (\mathbf{3}^*, \mathbf{1}, \frac{1}{3}) + (\mathbf{3}^*, \mathbf{3}, \frac{1}{3}) + (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{1}, -\frac{4}{3}) \\
 &\quad + (\mathbf{3}, \mathbf{2}, \frac{7}{6})^{\{\mathbf{3}\}} + (\mathbf{6}, \mathbf{1}, \frac{1}{3}) + (\mathbf{8}, \mathbf{2}, -\frac{1}{2})
 \end{aligned}$$

The “generations”  $\{\mathbf{1}\}, \{\mathbf{2}\}, \{\mathbf{3}\}$ , are scattered amongst the separate representations. **It will be very important later that the complete representation is real, i.e. is a vector theory, wrt  $SU(3) \times U(1)_{em}$ .**

**But, the  $SU(2) \times U(1)$  quantum numbers are not quite right.** Also, there are (unwanted ?) color octet quarks with lepton-like electroweak quantum numbers.

It was very frustrating that we had arrived at a unique theory that is almost, **but not quite**, the Standard Model !!

- As *massless* field theories QUD &  $QCD_S$  have similar, very special, UV & IR properties.  
 => the high-energy bound-state S-Matrix can be constructed via multi-regge theory & **infra-red chiral anomalies**.
- Only after I understood the physics of massless  $QCD_S$ , did it become apparent to me what the true role of QUD could be.

I realized, incredibly, that QUD could be to the full Standard Model what QCD is to the hadronic sector !!!! *In the QUD bound-state S-Matrix*

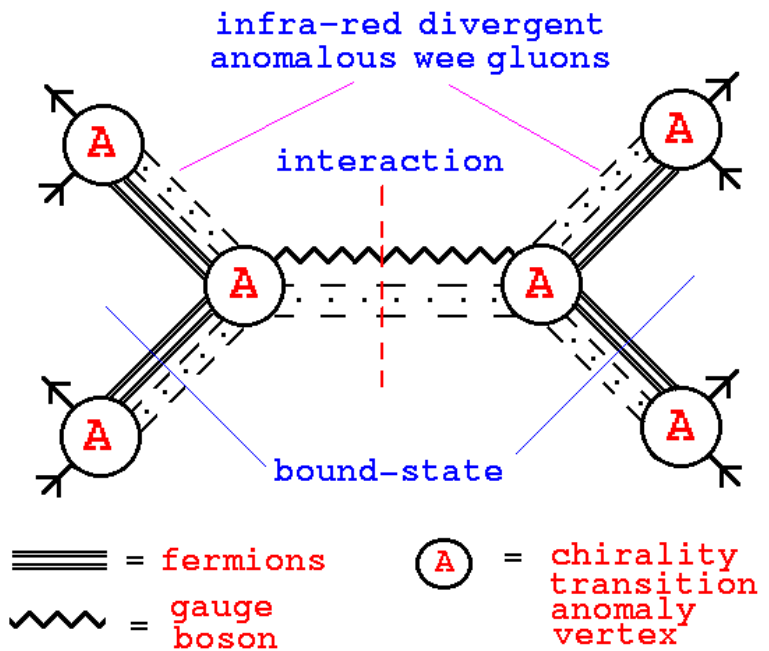
**SU(5) COLOR is CONFINED**, not just SU(3) color, & so **ALL ELEMENTARY GAUGE BOSONS AND FERMIONS ARE CONFINED - AND MASSLESS.**

- All hadrons and leptons would have to be QUD bound-states and all interactions would have to be composite. **Is this possible ???**
- Because QUD is real wrt  $SU(3) \times U(1)_{em}$  and the lepton and triplet quark sectors are so close to the Standard Model, it could be !!

Very briefly -

we construct bound states and interactions similarly in  $QCD_S$  and QUD, i.e. via multi-regge amplitudes that contain **infra-red divergent gauge bosons coupled to anomalies**.

Restoring the gauge symmetry in steps & extracting anomaly infra-red divergences -



**bound-states** appear as Goldstone boson “anomaly poles” formed as color zero combinations of fermions in an “anomalous wee gluon” background \*

**interactions** are color zero combinations of a finite transverse momentum gauge boson in the same wee gluon background.



\* Wee gluons  $\equiv$  some fermions are in negative energy states

- To obtain the states & amplitudes of  $QCD_S$ , we start in “ColorSuperconducting”  $QCD_S \{SU(3) \text{ color} \rightarrow SU(2)\}$ .
- The physical states of  $QCD_S$  are Goldstones in “ $CSQCD_S$ ”.

- triplet meson & nucleon states
- no hybrid sextet/triplet quark states
- sextet “pions” & “nucleons” ( $P_6 \& N_6$ )

*Consistent with, but much less than just requiring confinement & chiral symmetry breaking.*

The sextet neutron, the  $N_6$ , will be stable & dominate UHE x-sections  
 ↔ **Dark Matter !!**

- In  $CSQCD_S$ , the interaction is a massive gluon reggeon in an anomalous wee gluon condensate ↔ the “supercritical”  $\mathbb{P}$ .

⇒ **In  $QCD_S$ , the interaction is the Critical  $\mathbb{P}$**   
 ↔ **regge pole + interactions**

⇒ **no BFKL pomeron, no odderon, & no glueballs**

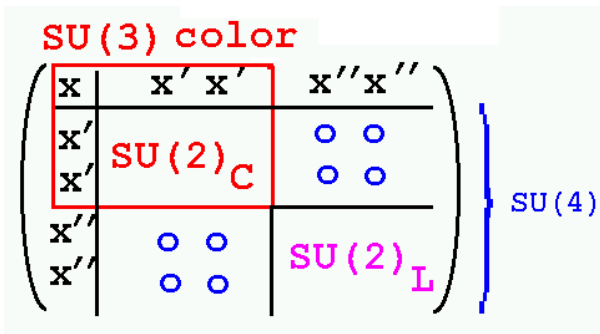
The  $QCD_S$  states are much fewer & the interaction much simpler, than in conventional QCD, in better agreement with experiment !!

For QUD, it is crucial that “anomalous” divergences are exponentiated by left-handed gauge bosons.

$\Rightarrow$  divergences  $\leftrightarrow$  maximal non-abelian vector subgroup

$\Rightarrow$  a strong interaction involving only SU(3) singlet combinations !!

To obtain amplitudes we, again, build up the symmetry in stages



With  $SU(2)_C$  (vector) symmetry the states are Goldstone  $\pi_C$ 's, i.e.  $qq$ ,  $\bar{q}\bar{q}$ , &  $q\bar{q}$  pairs in a condensate.

The  $q$ 's are  $SU(3)$  3's, 6's, & 8's. 8's are real wrt  $SU(3)$ , but contain complex doublets wrt  $SU(2)_C$ .

The exchanges producing interactions are

1. A massive  $x$  gluon in the condensate  $\leftrightarrow \mathbb{P}$ .
2.  $SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)$  bosons in the condensate  $\leftrightarrow W^{\pm,0}, \gamma$ .
3. A massive  $x''$  boson in the condensate - will be confined by  $SU(3)$  color

Wee gluon interactions give  $W^{\pm}$  &  $Z^0$  a mass  $\leftrightarrow$  mixing with  $\pi_C$ 's.

**When SU(4) symmetry is restored, “leptons” appear as bound states of elementary leptons and “octet pions”, e.g. the  $e/\nu$  will be  $(1,2,-\frac{1}{2}) \times (8,1,1) \times (8,2,-\frac{1}{2}) \leftrightarrow$  SU(5) singlet  $45^* \times 40 \times 45^*$ . (The  $\mu$  & the  $\tau$  contain 3 elementary leptons.)**

**When SU(5) symmetry is restored, I anticipate that**

1. The  $\mathbb{P}$  becomes critical.
2. The wee gluon component of the  $\gamma$  & the  $W^\pm, Z^0$  becomes even signature (essentially, the zero  $k_\perp$  component of the  $\mathbb{P}$ ).
3. The octet  $\pi$ 's are no longer Goldstones & disappear from the low  $k_\perp$  region.
4. Also SU(3) reality  $\Rightarrow$  octet  $\pi$ 's have no (anomaly) coupling to the  $\mathbb{P} \Rightarrow$  leptons have no strong interaction and no infra-red SU(3) mass generation.
5. Because octet  $\pi$ 's contribute only at large  $k_\perp$  the  $SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)$  symmetry will appear in low  $k_\perp$  interactions (as sextet SU(2) flavor).
6. The  $SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)$  anomaly  $\Rightarrow$  three generations of “hadrons” and “leptons”.
7.  $SU(2) \otimes U(1)$  quantum numbers of the octet  $\pi$ 's  $\Rightarrow$  low  $k_\perp$  states will have the singlet/doublet structure of the Standard model.

**The octet quarks (which at first sight seemed unwanted) are fundamental for the underlying SU(5) invariance and the generation structure of states.**

- *Much of what I have described needs to be better established and very many questions remain to be answered.*
- *Also, what I am proposing is very radical wrt the current theoretical paradigm !!*
- **I am saying that** *the Standard Model has an underlying unifying field theory, but, it is massless & has a very small coupling ( $\alpha_u < O(1/50) \leftrightarrow$  an IR fixed-pt.) It is, almost, conformally invariant.*
- *Mass-scales are generated by reggeization, mixing, & anomaly interactions, but only in the bound-state S-Matrix - which has a very special role.*
- **There is no Higgs field** - *although the  $\eta_6$  is analagous to the Higgs wrt EW symmetry breaking.*

*There are many general features that are encouraging, including*

1. *The experimentally attractive SU(5) value of the Weinberg angle should hold, even though **there is no proton decay !***
2. *Small  $\alpha_u$  could be the explanation of small neutrino masses.*
3. *The existence and dominance of Dark Matter is naturally explained.*
4. *The high mass QCD sector produces unification without supersymmetry.*
5. *There are no unwanted symmetries constraining the mass spectrum.*
6. *The SO(10) 144 contains QUD - relevant for {string?} unification with gravity?*

- *To suggest that new strong interaction physics beyond the Standard Model is the “**key to everything**” & that it should be **looked for via the  $\mathbb{P}$**  is very unconventional.*
- **Of course, the discovery of new large x-section effects at the LHC would soon make the discussion of such physics conventional !!**

*Persistently, & singularly, searching for the Critical  $\mathbb{P}$ , & pushing my specialist knowledge of multi-regge theory to the limits of my understanding (& beyond!), I arrived first at the sextet sector & now, **uniquely, at QUD.***

*Obviously, it would be incredible if the Standard Model, with all of its complexity, has the underlying simplicity I have suggested. Nevertheless,*

**all the necessary ingredients are present &, if the predicted effects of the sextet sector are seen at the LHC, interest in QUD will surely rise rapidly!**

**I will finish by briefly reviewing how double  $\mathbb{P}$  processes can provide the proof that a sextet sector has appeared.**

## What Should be Seen at the LHC ?

*At high luminosity, major evidence for the sextet sector would be*

- *Multiple vector boson and jet x-sections that are **much, much, larger than expected**, producing a dramatic rise in the average  $|p_{\perp}|$   
- **from the low energy hadron scale towards the electroweak scale.***
- *But, there will be other explanations - black holes, sphalerons, ...*

*A priori,*

- *the neutral  $N_6$  {dark matter}, with a best guess mass  $\sim 500$  GeV, will be difficult to detect, since missing energies of several hundred GeV will be common.*
- *The  $P_6$ , assuming it is not too unstable, should be seen.*
- *Again, a massive, charged, particle with a large production x-section will not be immediately identified with the sextet sector !*

- **The double  $\mathbb{P}$  x-section** could be the most definitive early evidence for the existence of the sextet sector.
- *With the  $\mathbb{P}$ 's detected via Roman pots, the environment is cleaner & more controlled.*

*$W \& Z$  pairs will be produced in the double  $\mathbb{P}$  x-section via sextet pion anomaly poles. {As pion pairs dominate the double  $\mathbb{P}$  x-section at low mass, so  $W \& Z$  pair production will dominate the x-section at the EW mass scale.}*

*$\Rightarrow$  when  $|k_{\perp}|$  is EW scale, the amplitude is comparable with a jet amplitude that has, apart from anomaly loops that are  $O(1)$ , the same propagators & couplings*

**$\Rightarrow$  at large  $k_{\perp}$ , double  $\mathbb{P}$   $W \& Z$  pairs will give jet x-sections that are comparable with the non-diffractive x-sections predicted by standard QCD.**

Generally, a factor of  $\left[ \frac{F_{\pi_6}}{F_{\pi_3}} \right]^4$  ( $\gtrsim O(10^{12})$ ) is involved in relating sextet and triplet sector x-sections.

The central  $\{\mathbb{P}W^+W^-\mathbb{P}\}$  &  $\{\mathbb{P}Z^0Z^0\mathbb{P}\}$  vertices will vary only slowly with  $k_{\perp}$ , but the hadron/ $\mathbb{P}$  vertices have strong  $k_{\perp}$ -dependence that should give **an extremely large x-section at small  $t$** .

- In the low luminosity running, this x-section could be detected by TOTEM in combination with the CMS central detector (if it is operational) where it should be straightforward to look for  $W$  &  $Z$  pairs.
- Some spectacular events would be expected, in which protons are tagged and only (a multitude of) large  $E_T$  leptons are seen in the central detector ?

**A very large double  $\mathbb{P}$  x-section for  $W$  &  $Z$  pairs**

**$\Rightarrow$  longitudinal components of  $W$  &  $Z$  have direct strong interactions**

**$\Rightarrow$  existence of the sextet sector !!!**

- **FP420** will take over later & should surely see the enhanced x-section (whether or not it has been seen by CMS/TOTEM) - if it is present !!
- Indeed, with the planned parameters for FP420, **the sextet  $W$  &  $Z$  pair x-section will overwhelm all other physics.**

After the combination of  $\mathbb{P}$ ,  $W/Z$ , & jet physics has established that sextet quark physics is definitively discovered, **the search for “Dark Matter” will become all important.**

The x-section for **double  $\mathbb{P}$  production of {stable}  $N_6\bar{N}_6$  pairs** (with mass  $\gtrsim 1 \text{ TeV}$ ) could be large enough that it will be definitively seen by an optimum combination of forward pots. **It will be a spectacular process to look for.**

- *The tagged protons determine a very massive state was produced.*
- *No charged particles seen in any of the detectors.*
- *Having low energy, the  $N_6$  hadronic x-section will, probably, be small but some hadronic activity may be seen in the central calorimeter*
- *Charged lepton comparison would allow a separation wrt the multiple  $Z$  production of neutrinos.*

**If the  $P_6$  is relatively stable, & not too different in mass, it would be much simpler to first detect  $P_6\bar{P}_6$  pairs**