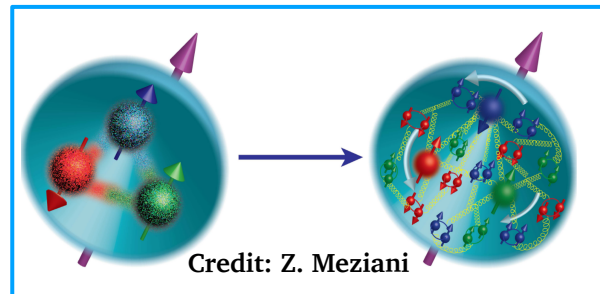


UNCOVERING NEW-PHYSICS SIGNALS IN NUCLEONS AND NUCLEI WITH LATTICE QCD

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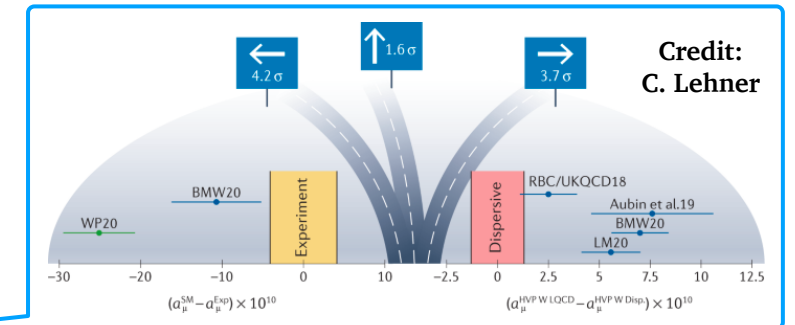
LATTICE QCD TOUCHES ON ALMOST ALL AREAS OF HEP

Parton distribution functions



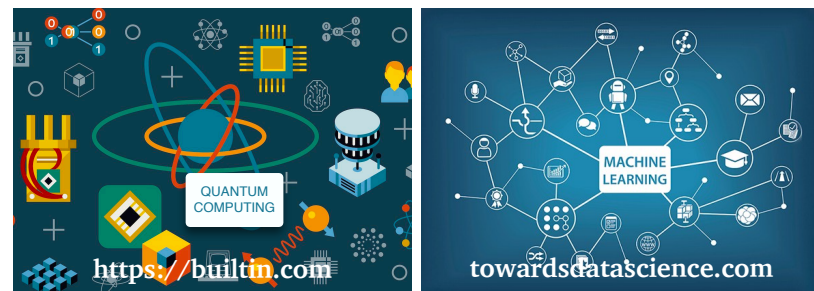
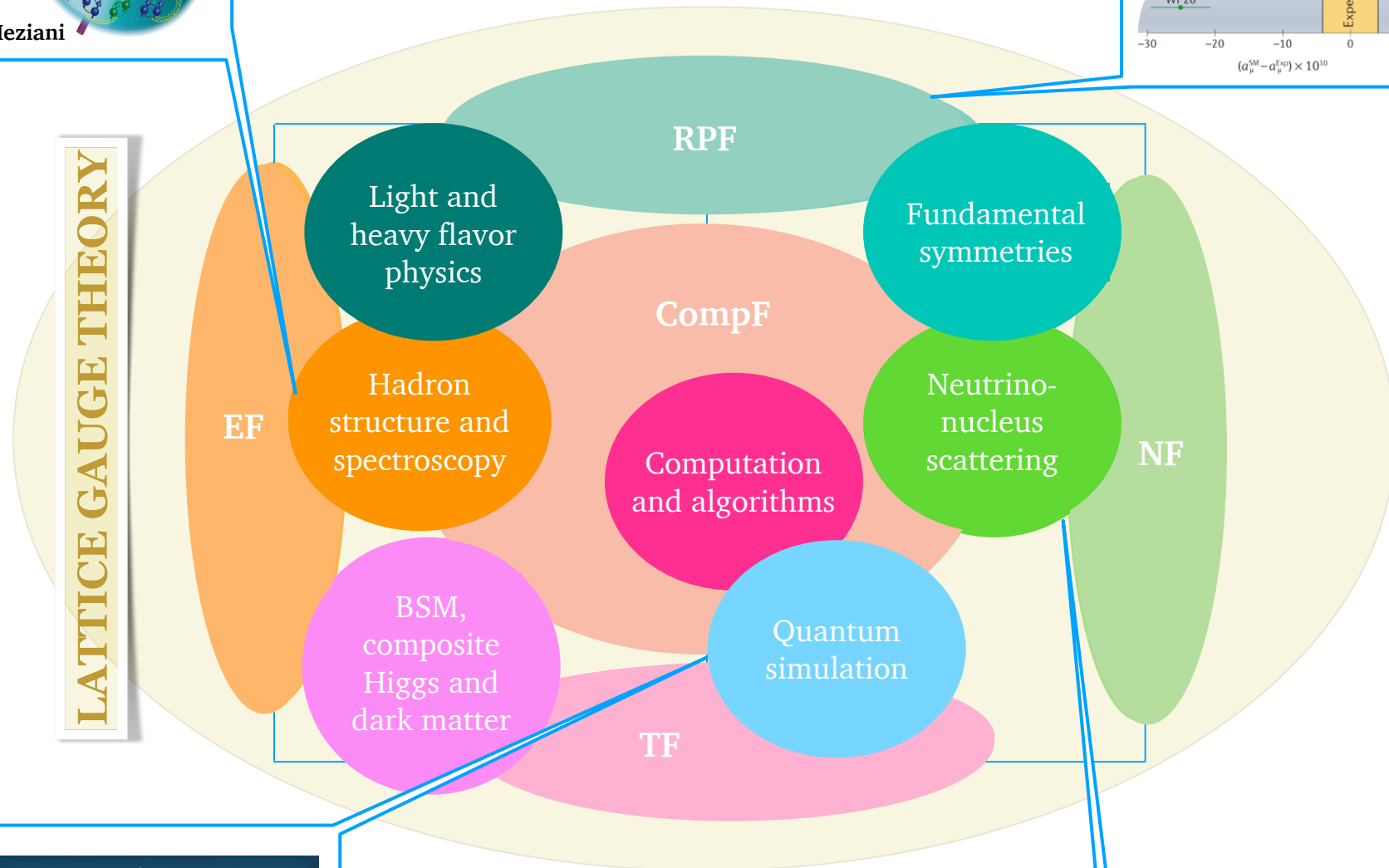
See A. Kronfeld's talk on lattice QCD for precision flavor physics.

Hadronic contributions to muon $g-2$



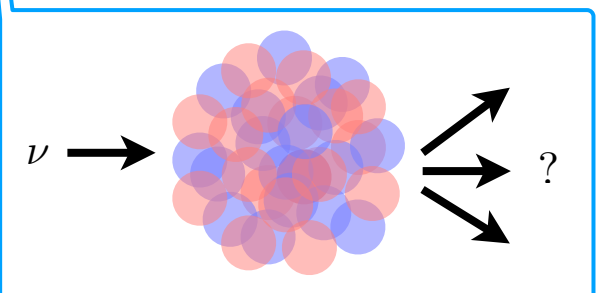
Dedicated parallel session on LGT for HEP on Thursday morning 10:15-12:00.

LATTICE GAUGE THEORY



This talk concerns lattice QCD at the nucleon and nuclear frontiers and more exploratory directions.

New strategies in computing and simulation, e.g., machine learning and quantum computing

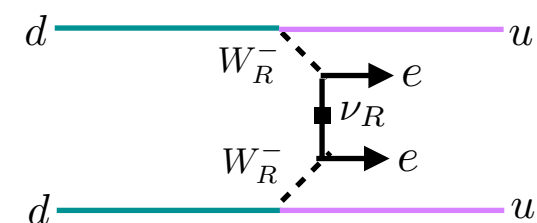
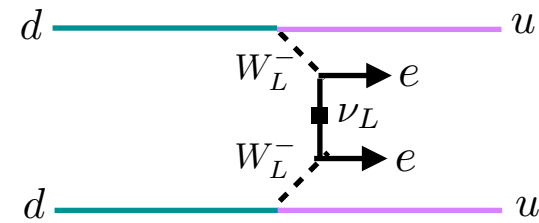


Neutrino-nucleus cross sections

GRAND PICTURE OF NEW PHYSICS DISCOVERY IN NUCLEON AND NUCLEI: EXAMPLE OF $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay

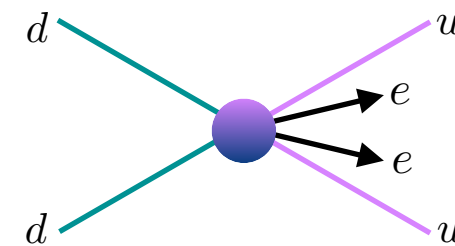
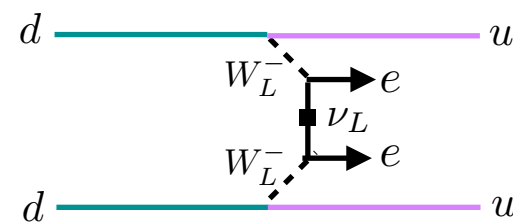
$\Lambda > \text{TeV}$

Start with your favorite high-scale model, e.g.:



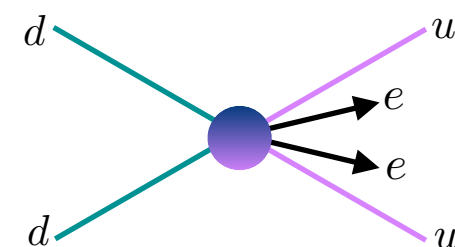
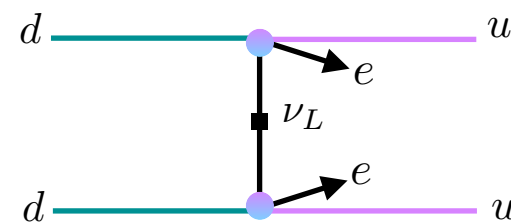
$\Lambda \sim 10^2 \text{ GeV}$

Run it down to the scale where the high-scale physics can be integrated out:



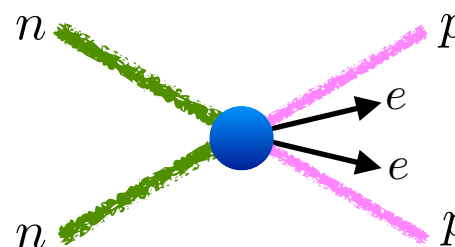
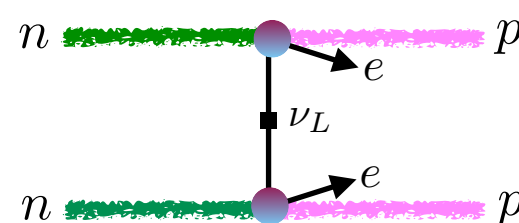
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Run it down to perturbative quark-level matrix elements:



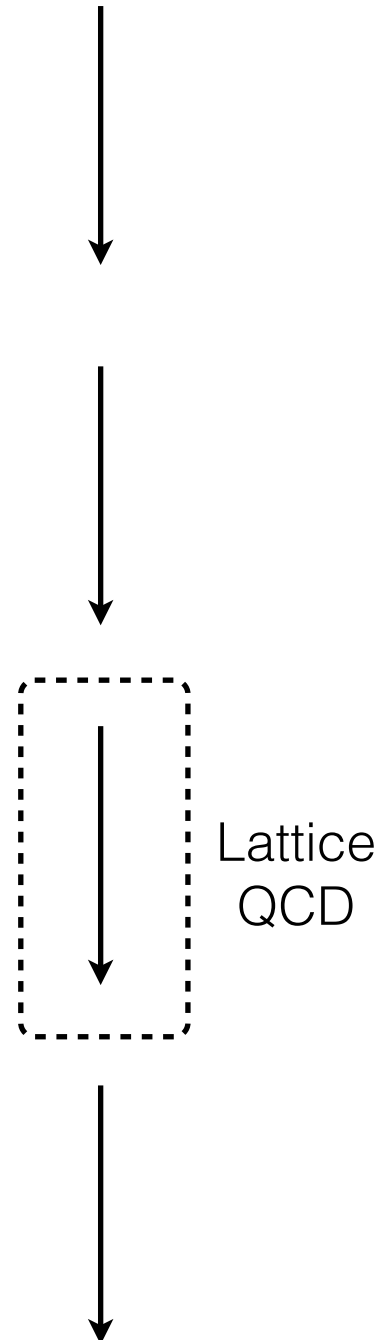
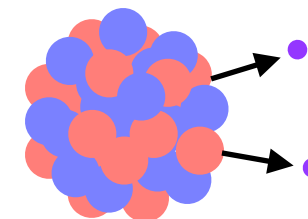
$\Lambda < \text{GeV}$

Run it down to the hadronic scale:

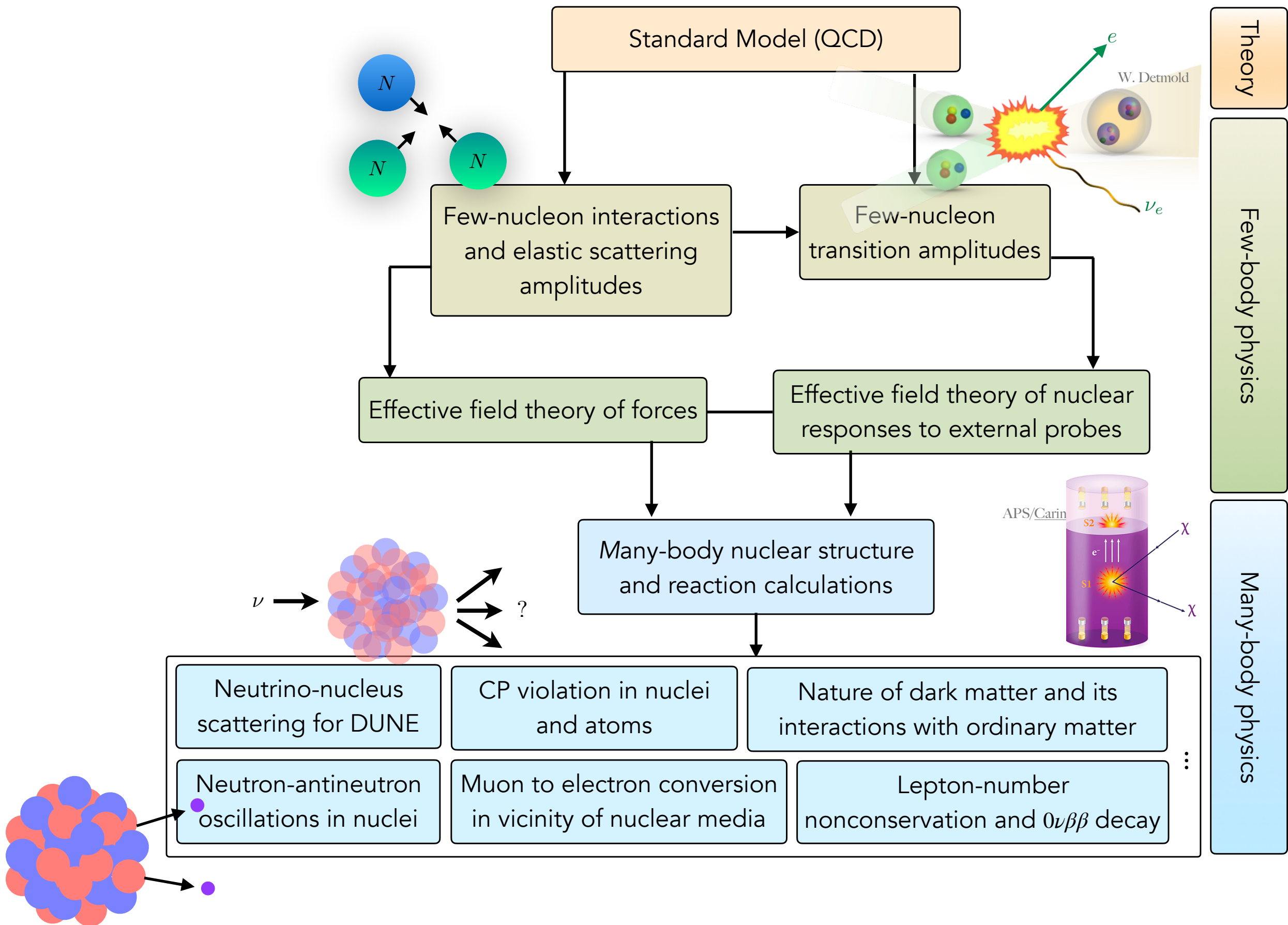


$\Lambda < \text{MeV}$

Use nuclear many-body calculation to match it to nuclear matrix elements:



MORE DETAILS ON THE ROADMAP FROM QCD TO NUCLEAR OBSERVABLES FOR HEP



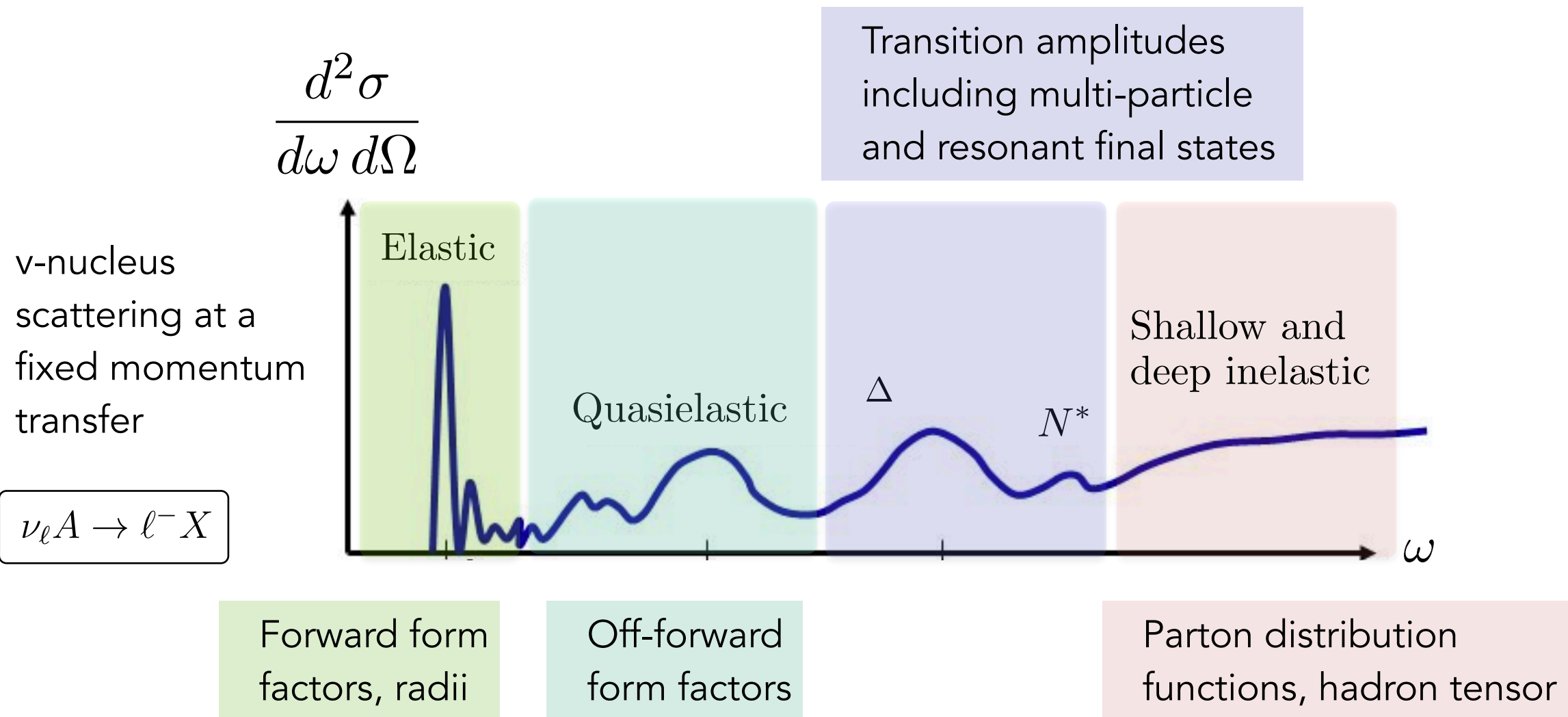
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At DUNE, one needs to constrain nuclear response to incoming neutrino of various energy. How can lattice QCD help?



Need to compute various matrix elements in nucleon, multi-hadron states, and (light) nuclei:

$$\langle f | J_\nu | i \rangle, \quad \langle f | J_\mu^\dagger J_\nu | i \rangle, \quad \langle f | \mathcal{O} | i \rangle$$

and resort to EFTs to connect to large isotopes in experiments.

Kronfeld et al (USQCD), Eur. Phys. J. A 55 (2019) 11, 196.

Ruso et al, arXiv:2203.09030 [hep-ph].

Example: Axial charge and form factors of the nucleon from lattice QCD

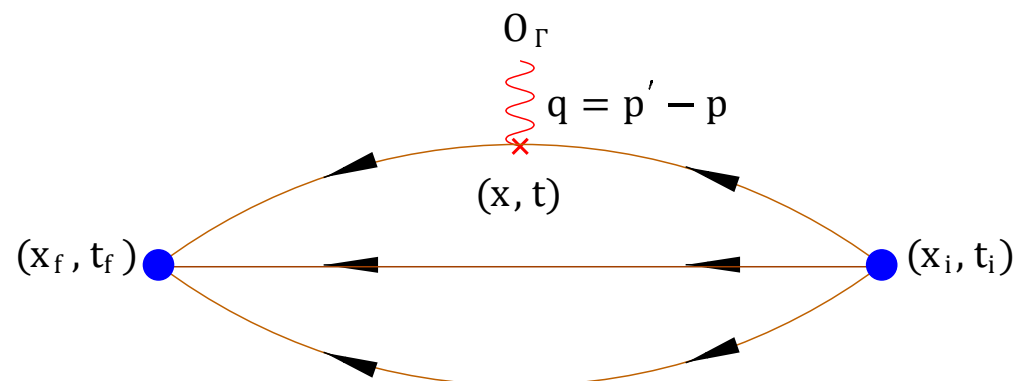
$$\langle N(p', s') | \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \psi(x) | N(p, s) \rangle = i \left(\frac{m_N^2}{E_N(\mathbf{p}') E_N(\mathbf{p})} \right)^{1/2} \bar{u}_N(p', s') \left[G_A(q^2) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 + \frac{q_\mu \gamma_5}{2m_N} G_P(q^2) \right] u_N(p, s)$$

Axial-vector current

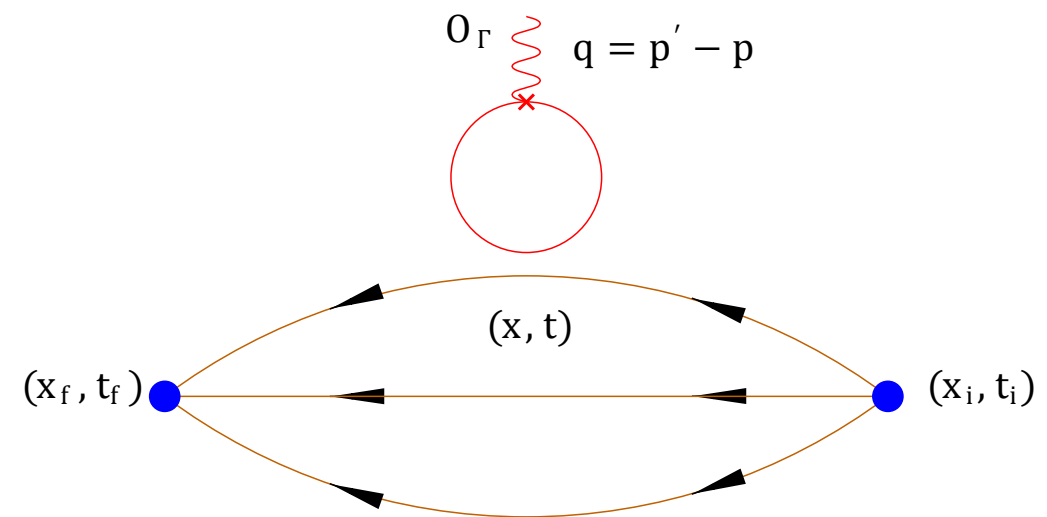
Nucleon spinor

Axial and pseudo scalar form factors

$$G_A(0) = g_A$$



Connected contribution

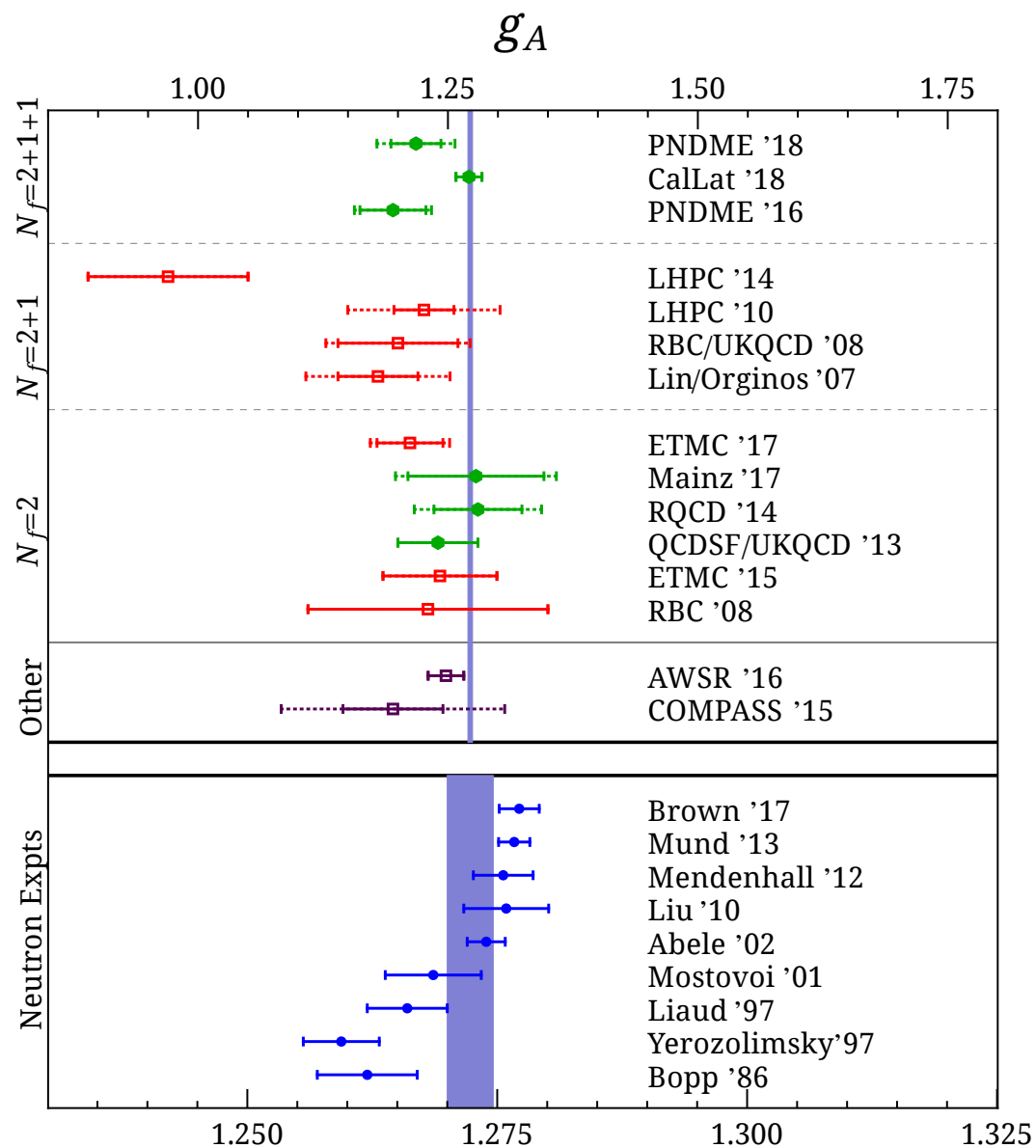


Disconnected contribution (vanishes at isospin limit for isovector quantities)

Constantinou, arXiv:1411.0078 [hep-lat].

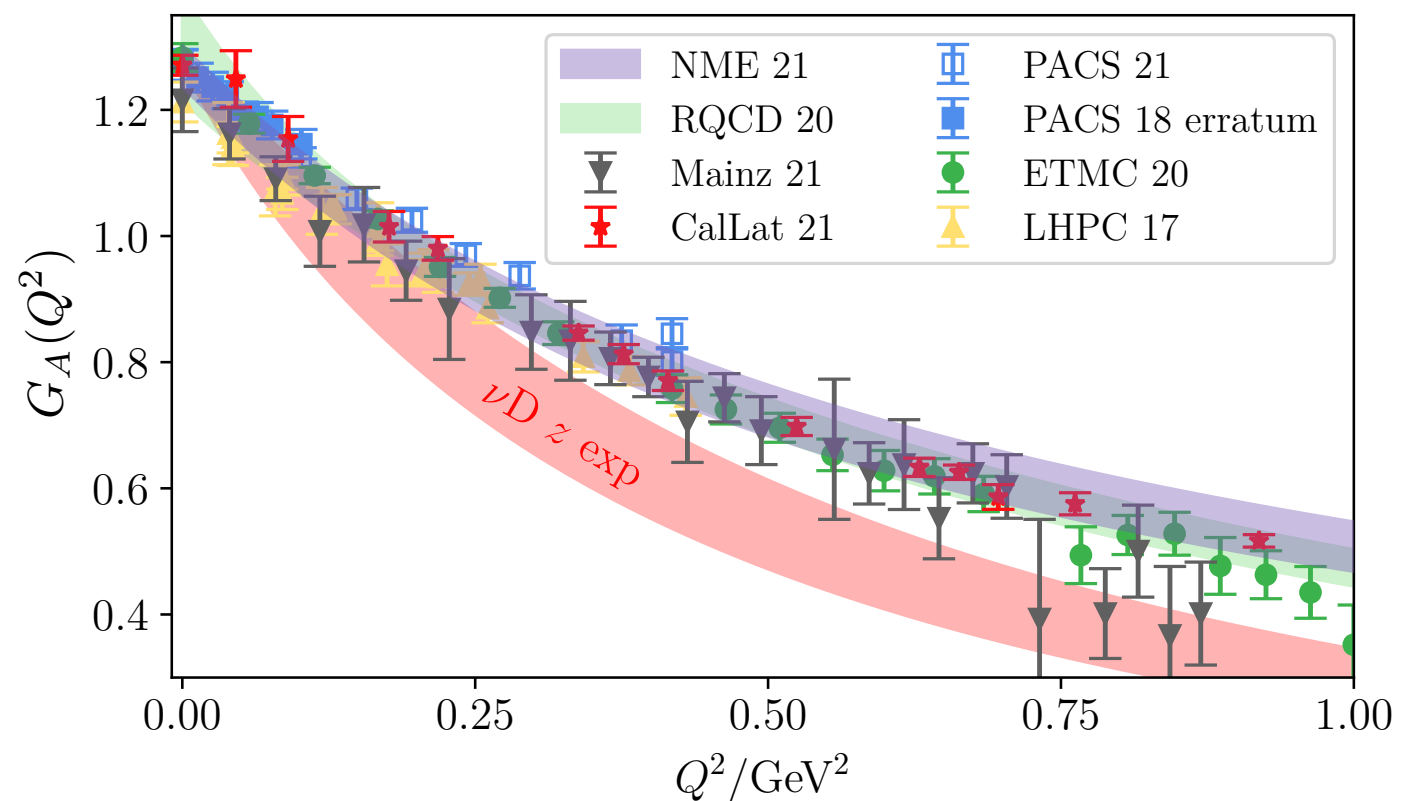
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Compilation of results

Meyer, Walker-Loud, and C. Wilkinson, arXiv:2201.01839 [hep-lat].



Isovector axial form factor results

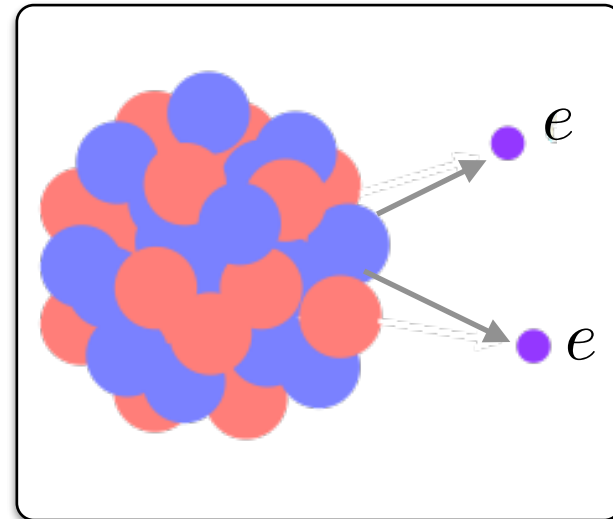
For the status and future of multi-hadron spectroscopy and transitions from lattice QCD, see: Bulava et al, arXiv: 2203.03230 [hep-lat].

For the status and future of parton distribution functions from lattice QCD, see: Constantinou et al, arXiv: 2202.07193 [hep-lat].

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- Tonne-scale experiment planned in the U.S., design and interpretation of the results requires nuclear matrix elements in various scenarios.
- LNV from dimension-5 operator (light Majorana neutrino exchange)

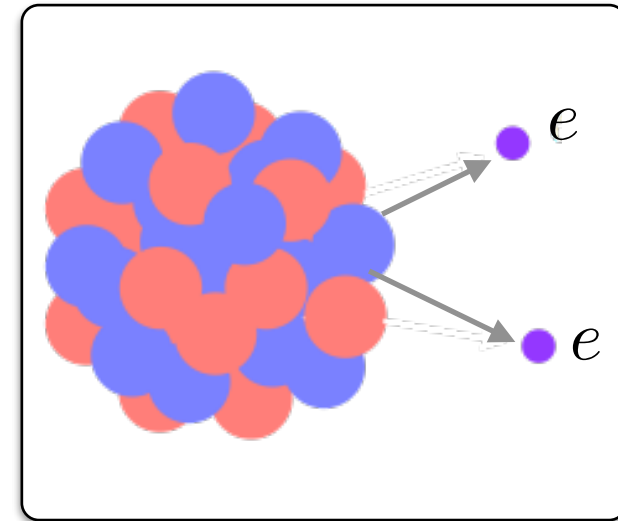
$$\langle \pi^+ | S_{NL} | \pi^- \rangle, \langle p\pi^+ | S_{NL} | n \rangle, \langle pp | S_{NL} | nn \rangle$$

$$S_{NL} = \int dx dy S_0(x - y) T (J_\alpha^+(x) J_\beta^+(y)) g^{\alpha\beta}$$

- LNV from dimension-9 operators ("short-distance" mechanisms). Requires matrix elements of 4-quark charge-changing operators

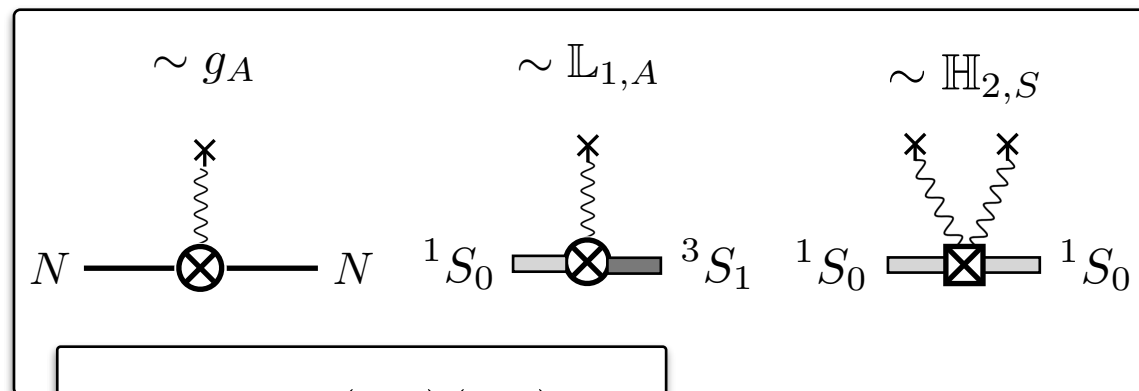
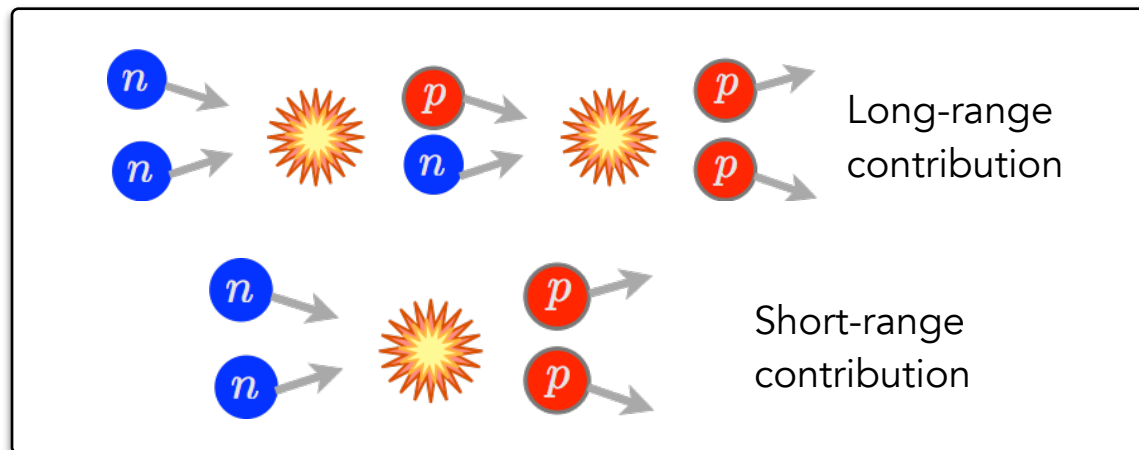
$$\langle \pi^+ | O_i | \pi^- \rangle, \langle p\pi^+ | O_i | n \rangle, \langle pp | O_i | nn \rangle$$

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$2\nu\beta\beta$ DECAY OF TWO NEUTRONS

$$nn \rightarrow pp ee \bar{\nu}_e \bar{\nu}_e$$

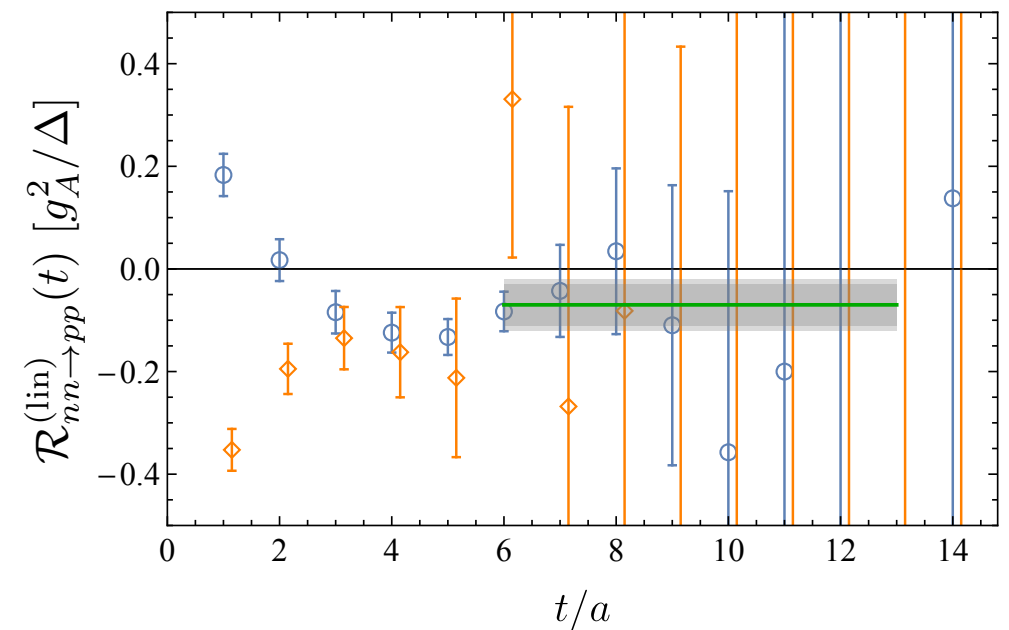


$$\mathbb{H}_{2,S} = 4.7(1.3)(1.8) \text{ fm}$$

$$@ m_\pi \approx 800 \text{ MeV}$$

Constraint on the new short-range LEC.

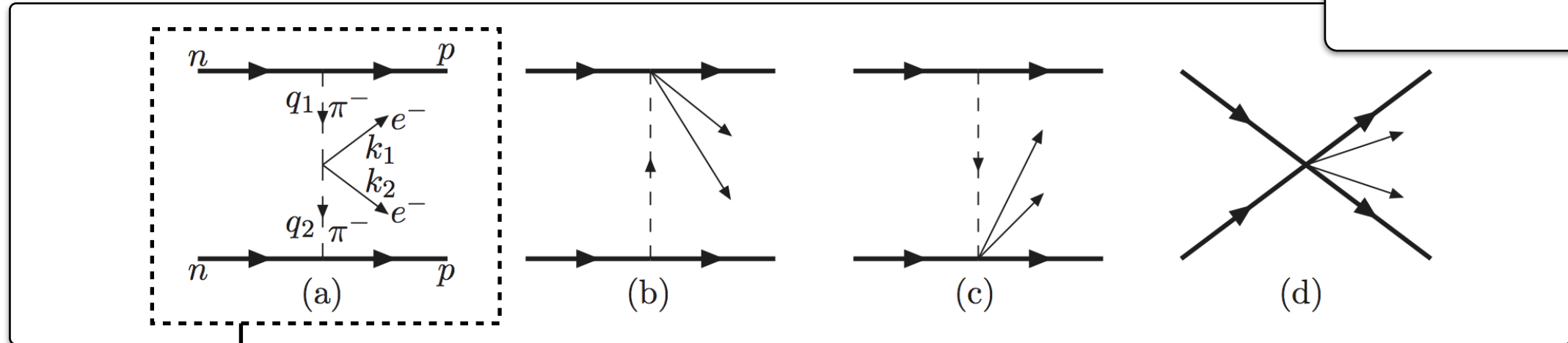
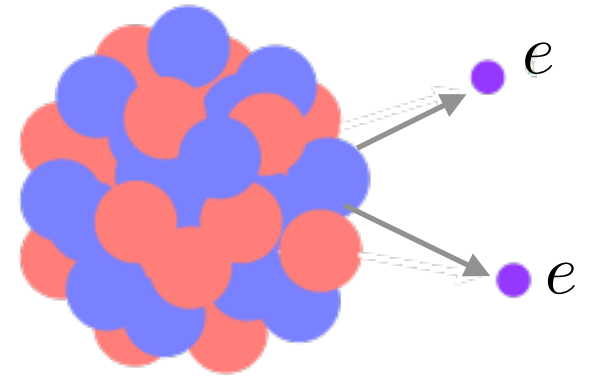
$$N_f = 3, m_\pi = 0.806 \text{ GeV}, a = 0.145(2) \text{ fm}$$



NPLQCD collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett. 119, 062003 (2017), Phys. Rev. D 96, 054505 (2017).
See also Feng et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 022001 (2019), and Detmold et al, arXiv:1811.05554 [hep-lat] for the $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay of the pion.

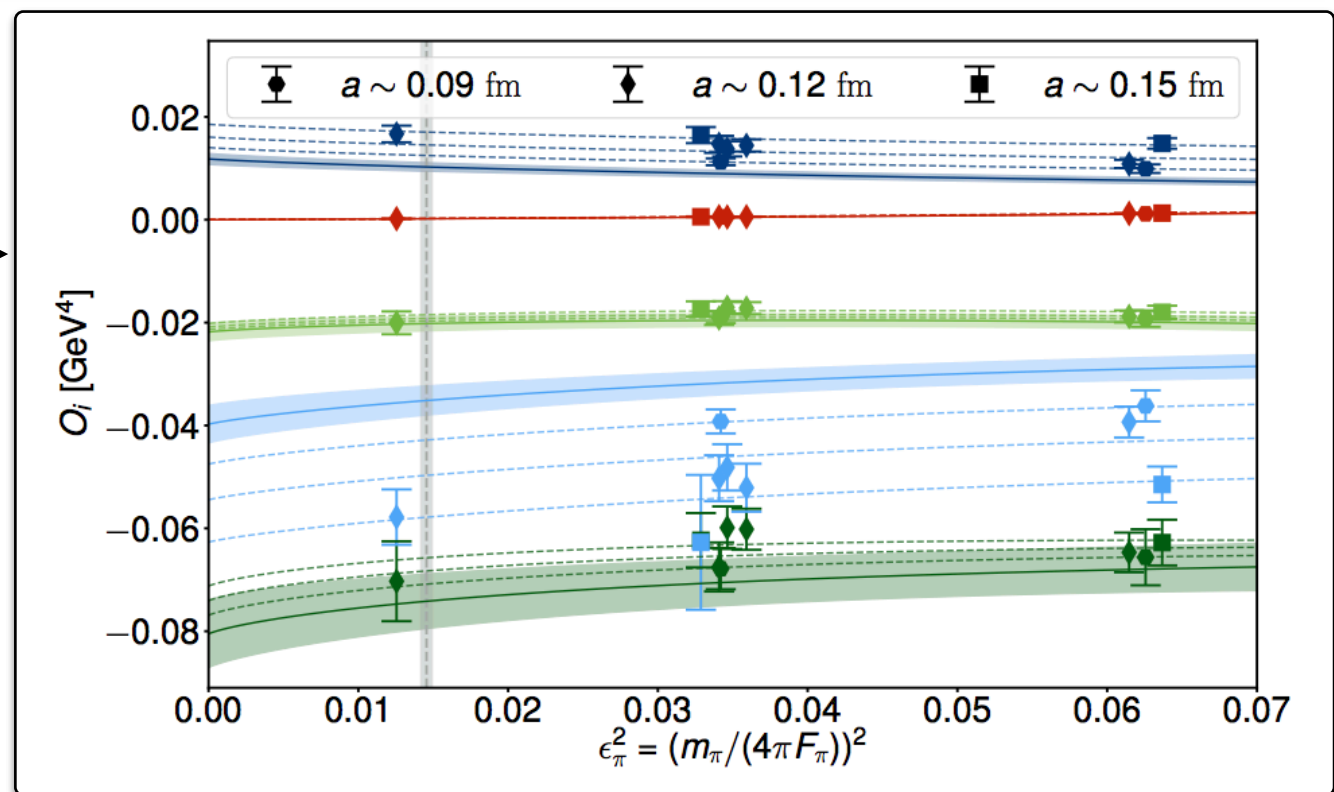
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$0\nu\beta\beta$ DECAY OF PIONS



$$\langle \Omega | \Pi^+(t_f, \mathbf{p}_f) \mathcal{O}(0) \Pi^+(t_i, \mathbf{p}_i) | \Omega \rangle$$

$$\pi^- \rightarrow \pi^+ ee$$



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STRAIGHTFORWARD

Pion matrix elements
of local operators
(almost done).

Pion matrix element in
light-neutrino exchange
scenario (almost done)

CHALLENGING

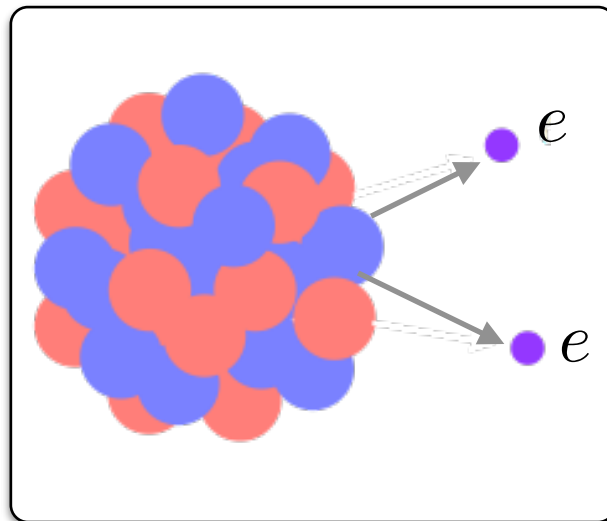
Two-nucleon and nucleon-pion
matrix elements of local
operators at large quark masses

Two-nucleon matrix element in
light-neutrino exchange scenario
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EXTREMELY
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Fully controlled physical point
 NN matrix elements in light-
neutrino exchange scenario

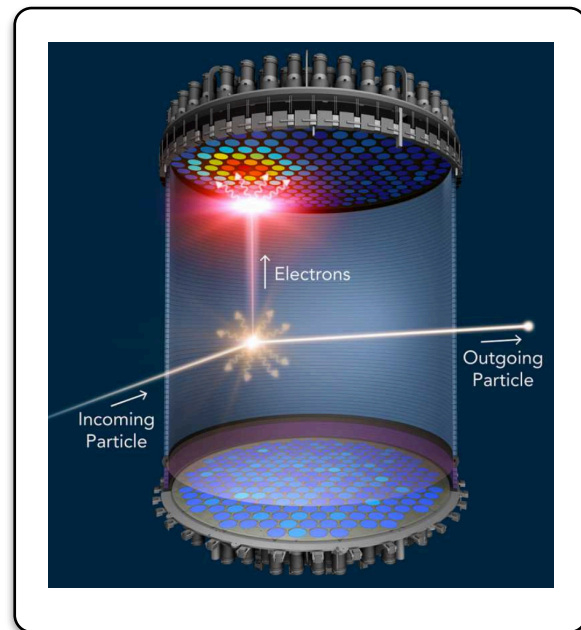
More ambitious: higher- N
matrix elements to diagnose
any potential issues with
many-body calculations of
 $0\nu\beta\beta$ decay.



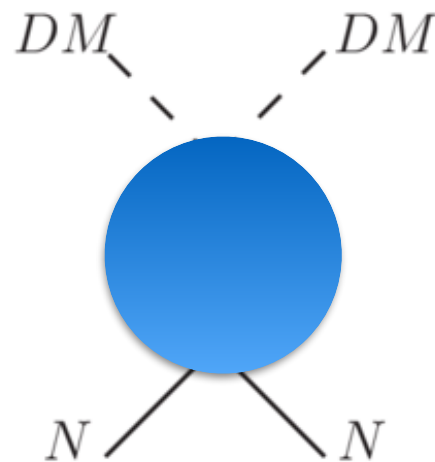
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- Standard Model input is necessary to interpret the results of DM searches and translate these into limits on DM models.



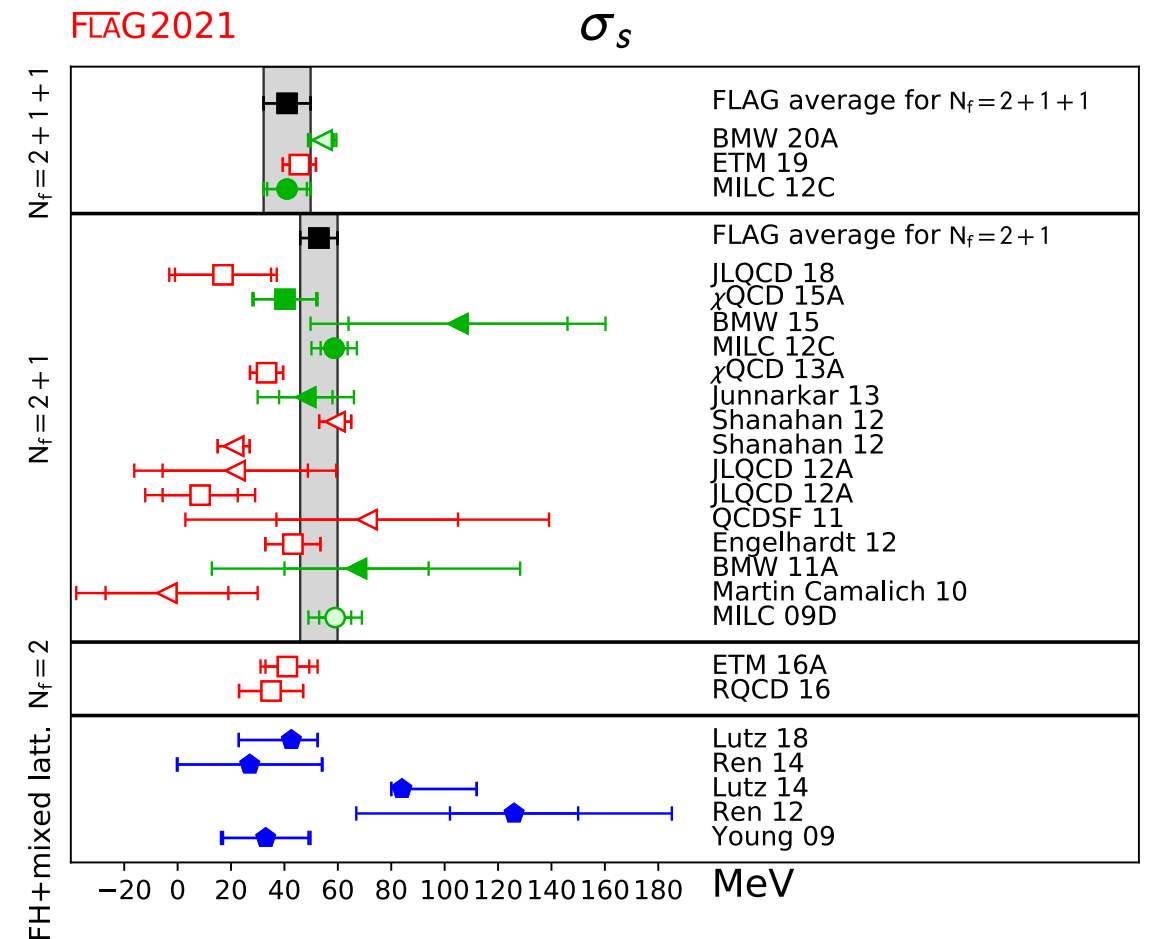
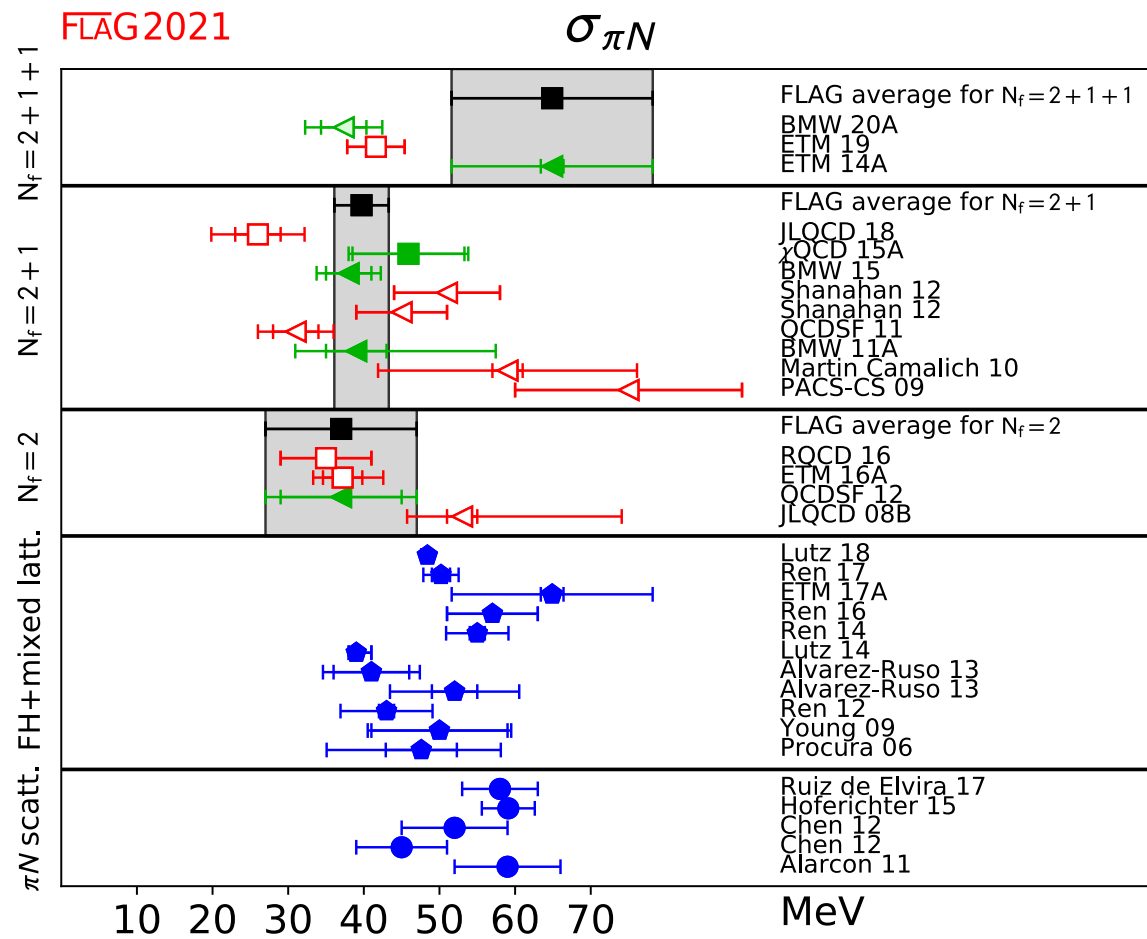
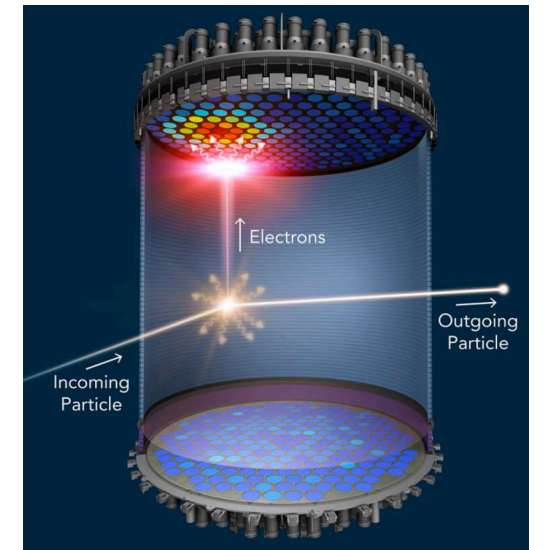
- The low-energy limit of a generic spin-independent interaction is scalar coupling to any quark flavor.
- Lattice QCD is the key tool to obtain the strange contributions.
- Spin-dependent couplings and other interactions require knowledge of parton structure of nuclei.

CURRENT STATUS

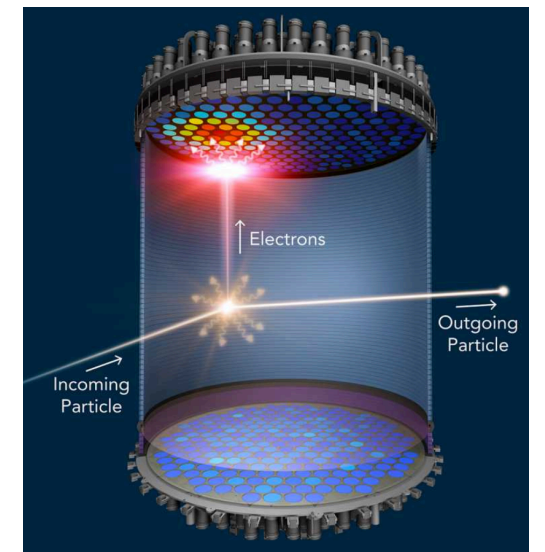
SIGMA TERMS IN NUCLEON

$$\sigma_{\pi N} = \frac{1}{2}(m_u + m_d)\langle N|\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d|N\rangle$$

$$\sigma_s = m_s\langle N|\bar{s}s|N\rangle$$

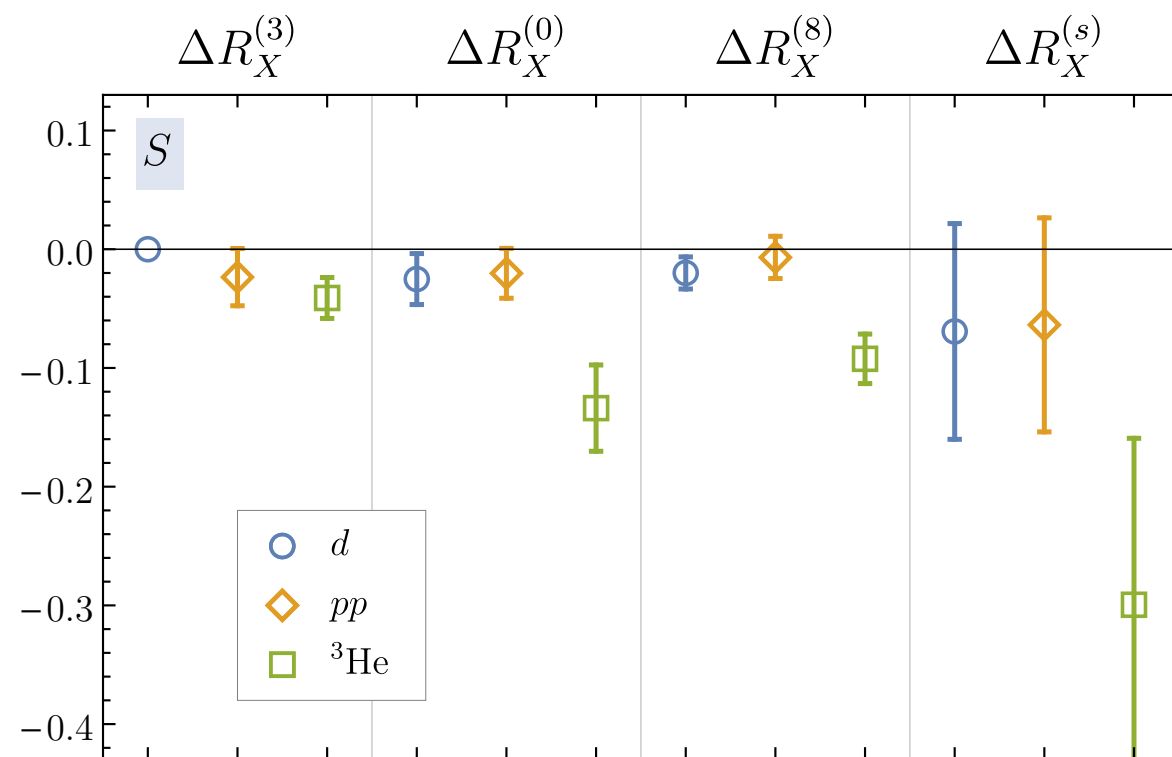


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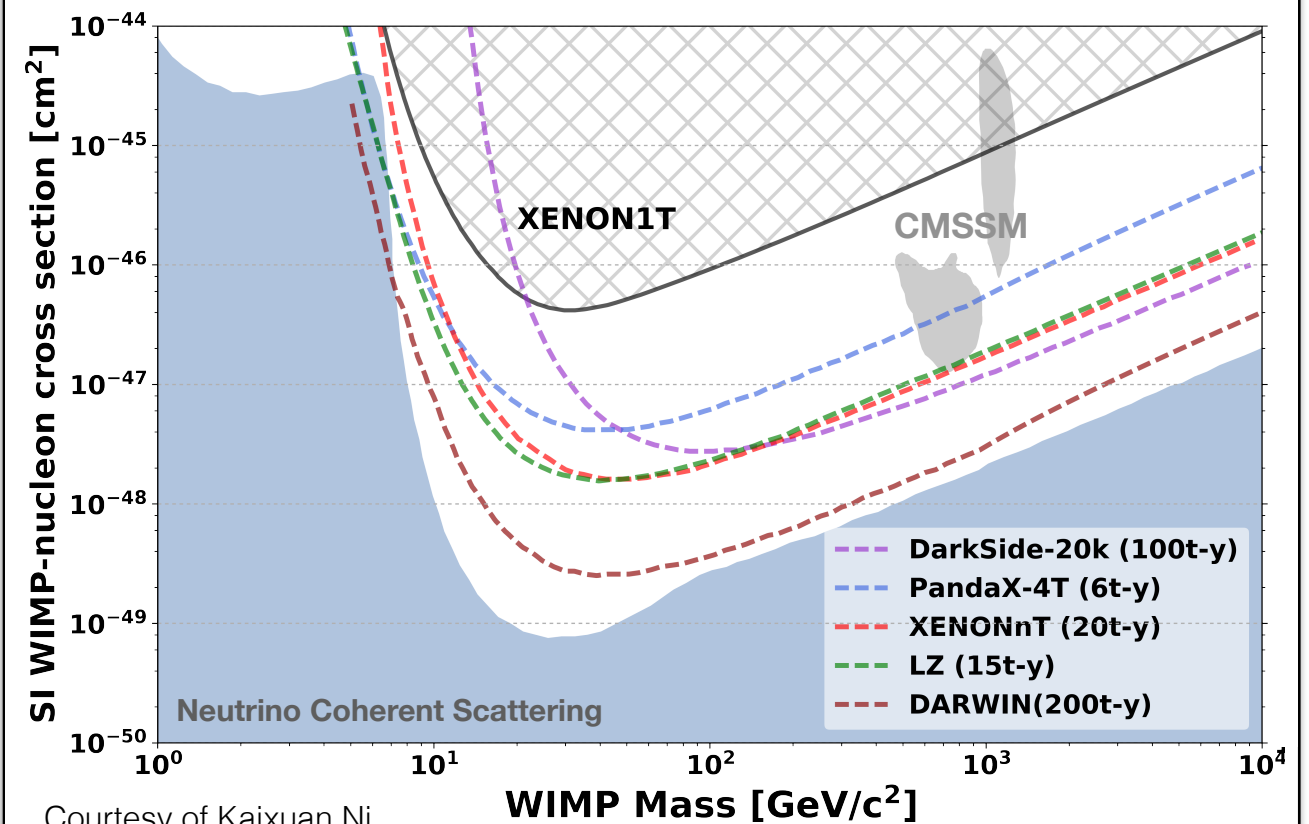
SCALAR RESPONSE OF LIGHT NUCLEI

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Status of direct detection of WIMP by 2025



Courtesy of Kaixuan Ni

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Few-percent precision on
nucleon matrix elements

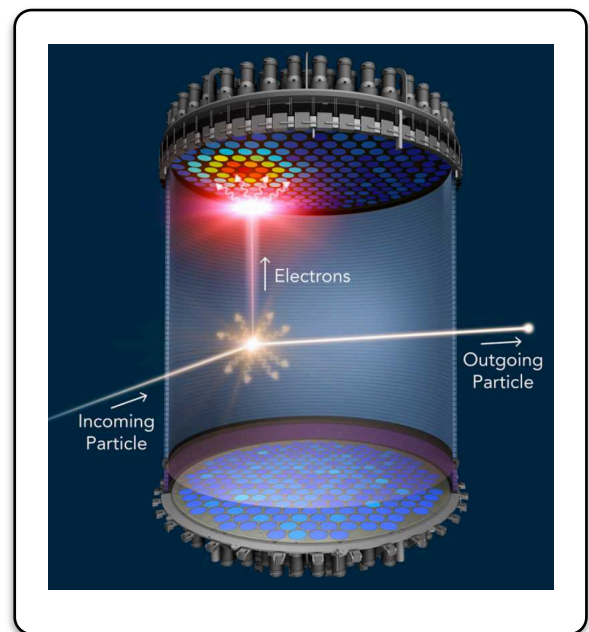
Spin-dependent interactions,
PDF of nucleons, etc.

CHALLENGING

Fully controlled 2 and 3 nucleon
matrix elements (disconnected,
multiple lattice spacings, volumes,
chiral extrapolation). Scalar matrix
elements are the priority.

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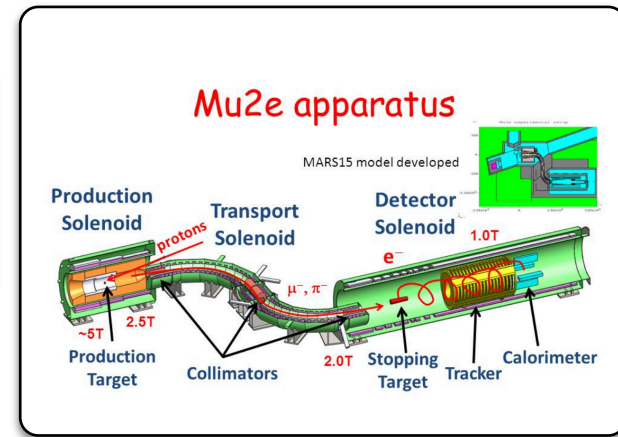
Direct evaluation in larger
nuclei



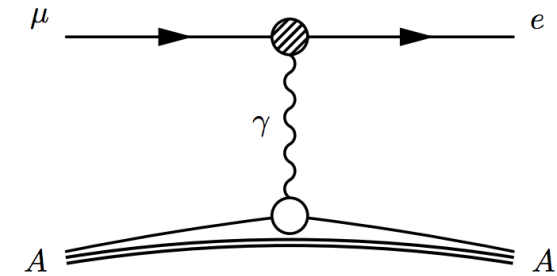
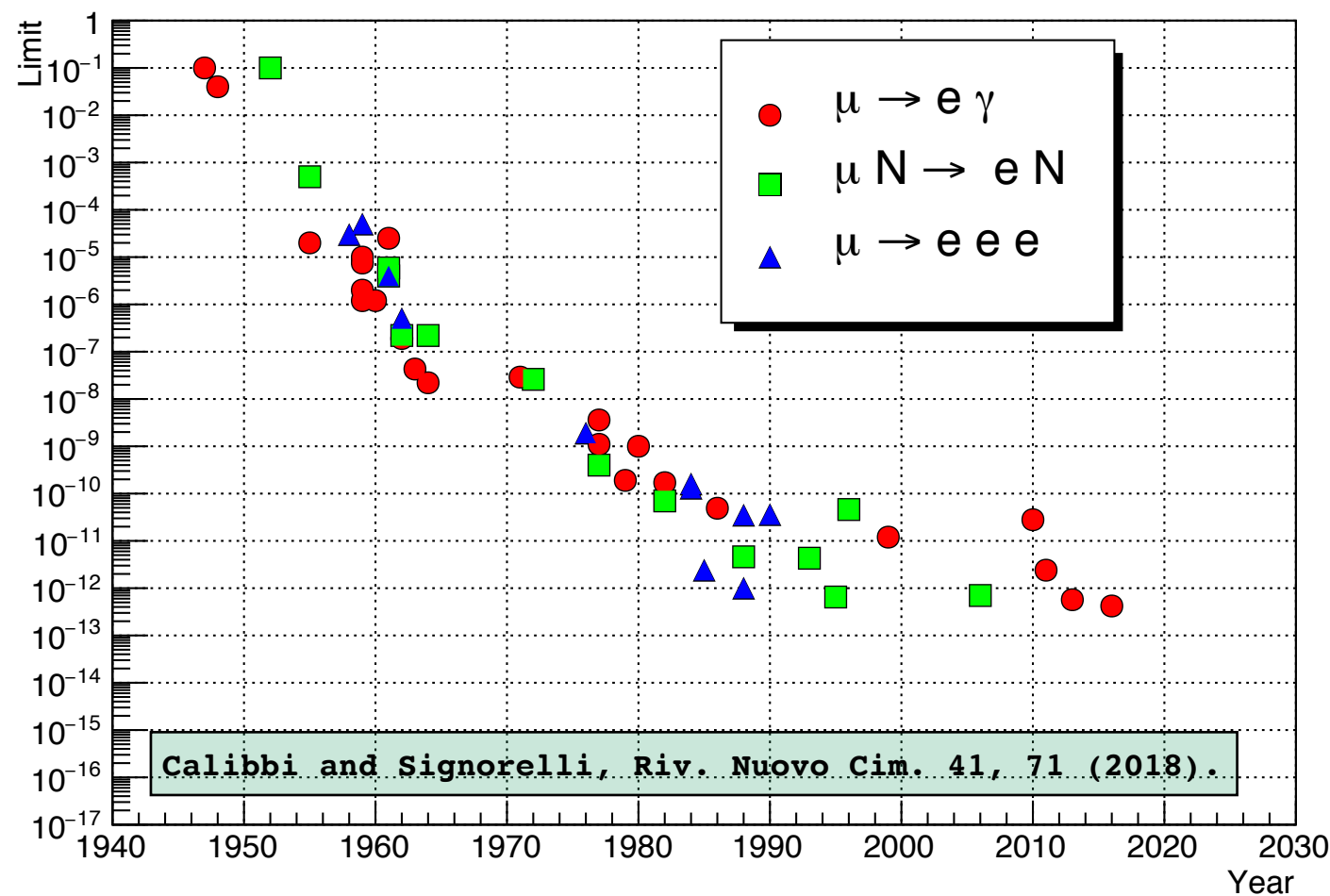
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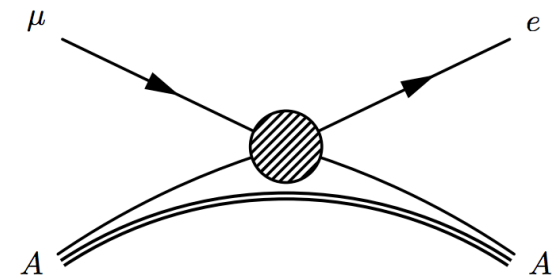
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Reliable matrix elements will help establish pattern of LFV signatures in various decay channels depending on the underlying mechanism.



$$\mathcal{L}_d \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} m_\mu \bar{\mu}_L \sigma_{\mu\nu} e_R F^{\mu\nu}$$



$$\mathcal{L}_4 \sim \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\mu}_L \gamma_\mu e_L (\bar{u}_L \gamma^\mu u_L + \bar{d}_L \gamma^\mu d_L)$$

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Nucleon form factors (scalar, vector, axial, tensor, pseudoscalar) at $q^2 = m_\mu^2$.

Most relevant is the set of scalar form factors (with u , d , s flavor) and GG gluonic operator.

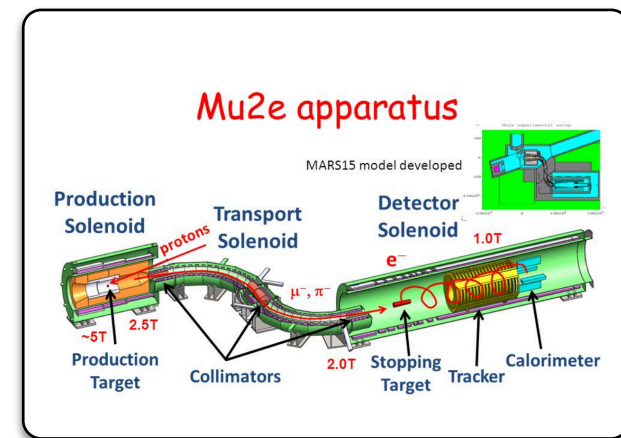
CHALLENGING

Few-percent precision on nucleon form factors

Going beyond impulse approx: directly evaluating matrix elements in nuclei (2 and 3 body contributions)

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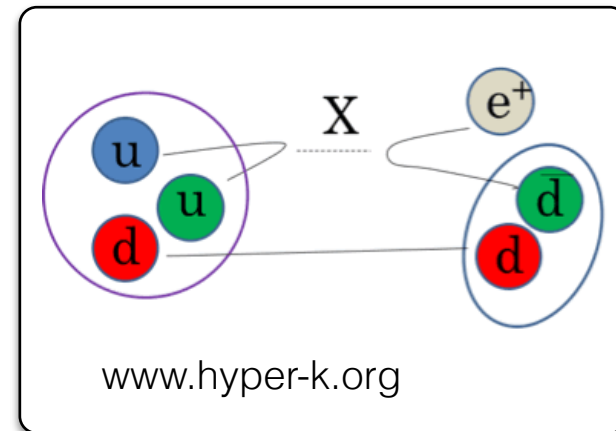
Directly evaluating matrix elements in larger nuclei



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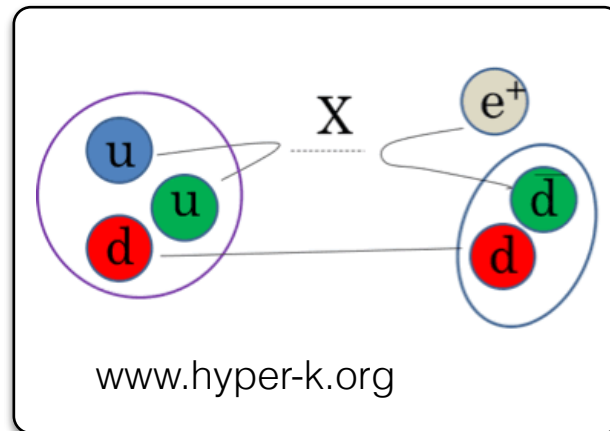


- GUT and SUSY-GUT constraints require $p \rightarrow$ meson matrix elements. Some models predict suppression of p decay matrix elements due to nonperturbative dynamics.
- Upcoming DUNE will examine $p \rightarrow Kl\nu$ and $p \rightarrow \pi\pi e^+$ decays with better precision, future hyper-K will further improve p -decay constraints.

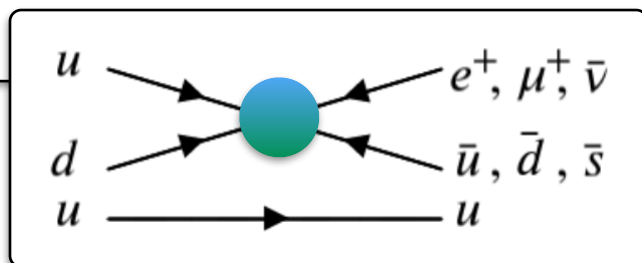
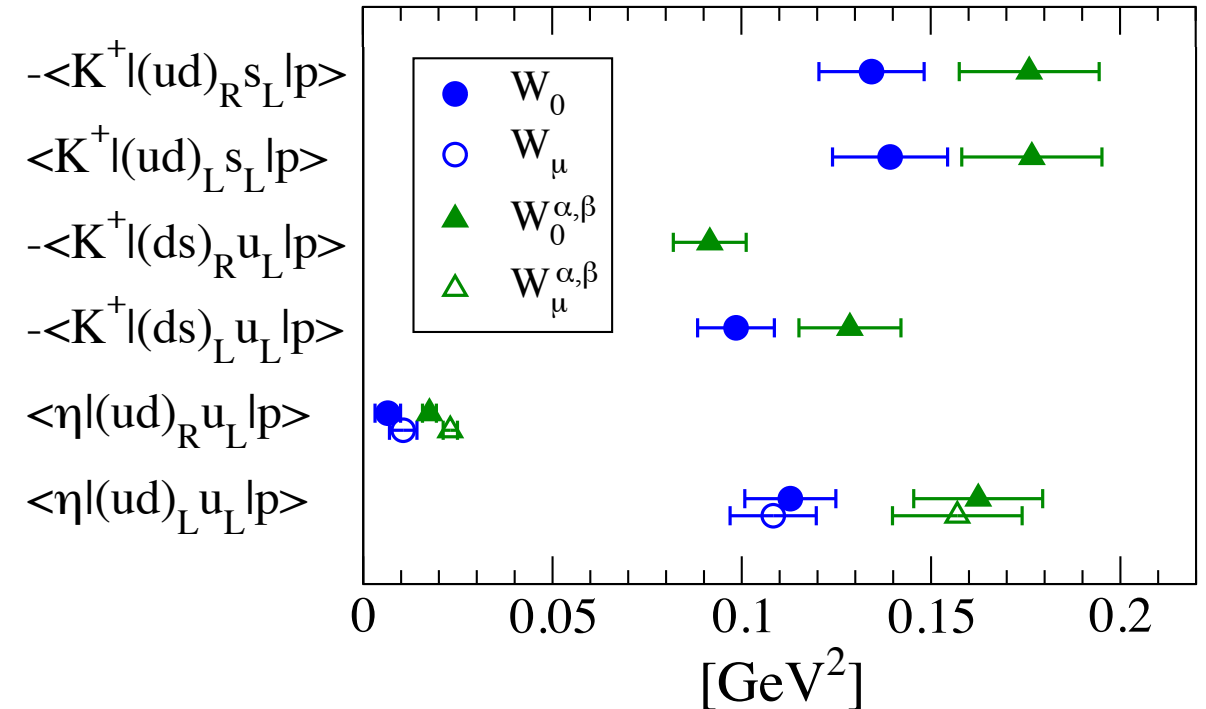
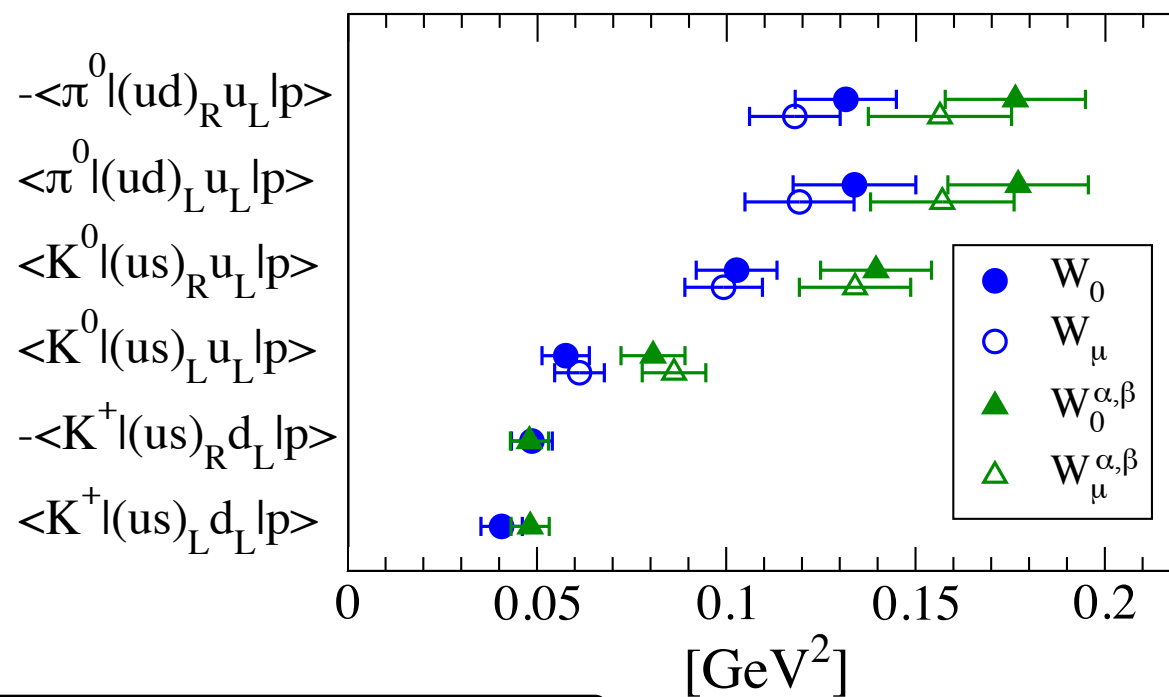
$$\langle \pi^0 | \epsilon_{ijk} (u^{iT} C P_{R,L} d^j) P_L u^k | p \rangle$$

$$\langle \pi^+ | \epsilon_{ijk} (u^{iT} C P_{R,L} d^j) P_L d^k | p \rangle$$

CURRENT STATUS



Form factors parametrizing the shown normalized matrix elements at given values of momentum transfer:



Y. Aoki et al (RBC-UKQCD), Phys. Rev. D 96, 014506 (2017).

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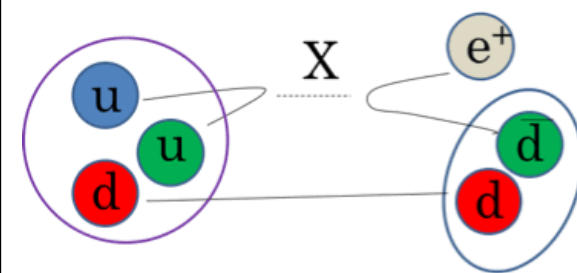
Physical-point calculations
with controlled systematic
(multiple volumes, lattice
spacing, etc.)

CHALLENGING

Matrix elements for
 $p \rightarrow \pi\pi e^+$ at a range of
quark masses and at the
physical point

EXTREMELY
CHALLENGING

Proton decay in nuclear
medium, i.e., $NN \rightarrow NP$
with P being the
pseudo-scalar meson.



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UNCOVERING NEW-PHYSICS SIGNALS IN NUCLEONS AND NUCLEI

Physics	Target Quantity	Experiments
CP Violation and Neutrino Phenomenology	Neutrino-nucleus Scattering Cross Sections	DUNE, other Long-baseline Neutrino Experiments
Baryon Number Violation and Grand Unified Theories	Proton Decay Matrix Elements	DUNE, Hyper-Kamiokande
Baryon Number minus Lepton Number Violation	Neutron-antineutron Matrix Elements	ILL, ESS Super-K, DUNE and other reactors
Lepton Flavor Violation	Nucleon and Nuclei Form Factors	Mu2e, COMET
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CP Violation and Baryon Asymmetry in Universe	Electric Dipole Moment	Hg, Ra, n EDM at SNS and LANL
Dark Matter and New Physics Searches	Nucleon and Nuclei Form Factors	Dark Matter Experiments, Precision Measurements

MOTIVATION AND TARGET OBSERVABLES

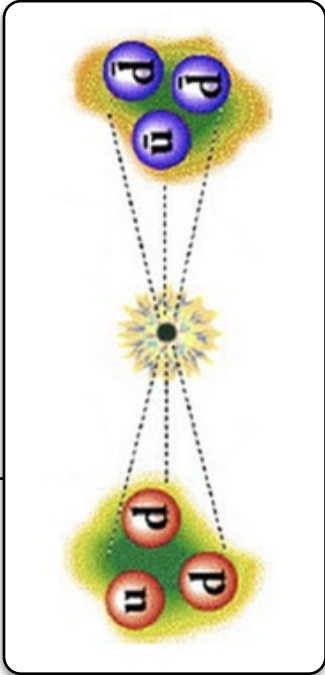


- Some models of B-L violation do not allow the proton decay, therefore, neutron-antineutron oscillation bounds can provide powerful constraints.
- Two types of experiments: slow neutron beams and oscillation in nuclear medium with a distinct 5-pion final state.

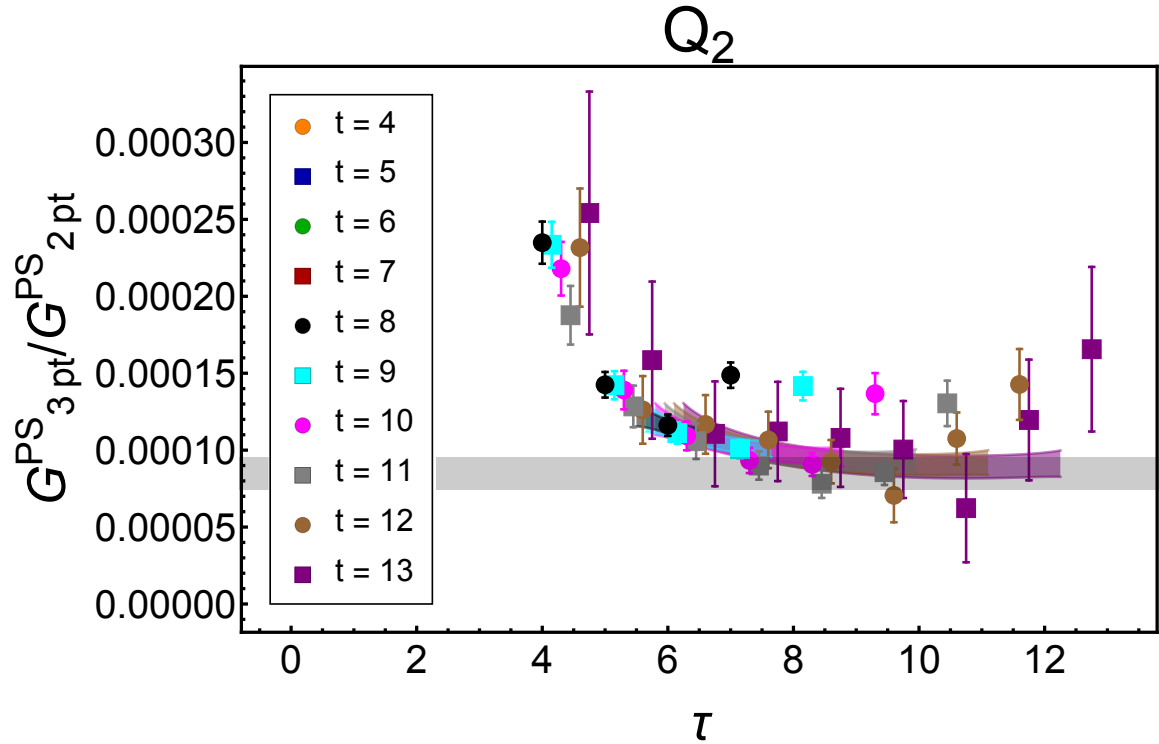
- Theoretical uncertainties in neutron beam expts easier to control. Bounds could be improved by a factor of 1000 in next experiments.
- Lattice QCD evaluates matrix elements of 6-quark operators that convert a neutron to an antineutron.

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{n\bar{n}}} = \delta m = c_{BSM}(\mu_{BSM}, \mu_W) c_{QCD}(\mu_W, \Lambda_{QCD}) \langle \bar{n} | \mathcal{O} | n \rangle$$

CURRENT STATUS



Normalized six-quark operators matrix elements obtained from lattice QCD at the physical point:



Operator	$\mathcal{M}_I^{\overline{\text{MS}}}$ (2 GeV)	$\mathcal{M}_I^{\overline{\text{MS}}}$ (700 TeV)	$\frac{\mathcal{M}_I^{\overline{\text{MS}}}}{\text{MIT bag A}}$ (2 GeV)	$\frac{\mathcal{M}_I^{\overline{\text{MS}}}}{\text{MIT bag B}}$ (2 GeV)
Q_1	−46(13)	−26(7)	4.2	5.2
Q_2	95(17)	144(26)	7.5	8.7
Q_3	−50(12)	−47(11)	5.1	6.1
Q_5	−1.06(48)	−0.23(10)	−0.8	1.6

TO BE ACCOMPLISHED OVER THE NEXT
DECADE AND BEYOND

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Precision single-neutron
matrix elements (sensitive
to discretization, chiral
symmetry is important).

MEs of 6-quark operators
including EM current
insertions

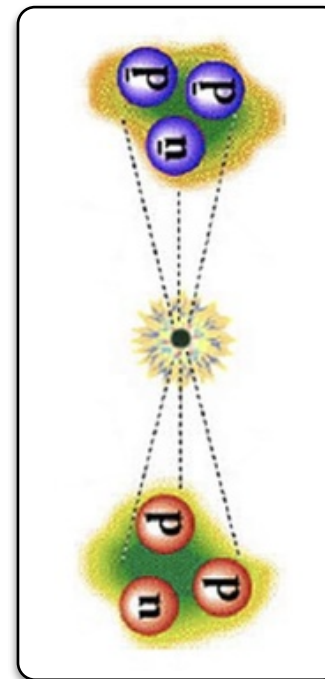
CHALLENGING

Neutron-antineutron
annihilation matrix element

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Neutron-antineutron
annihilation matrix element in
nuclei (deuteron?) for SNO

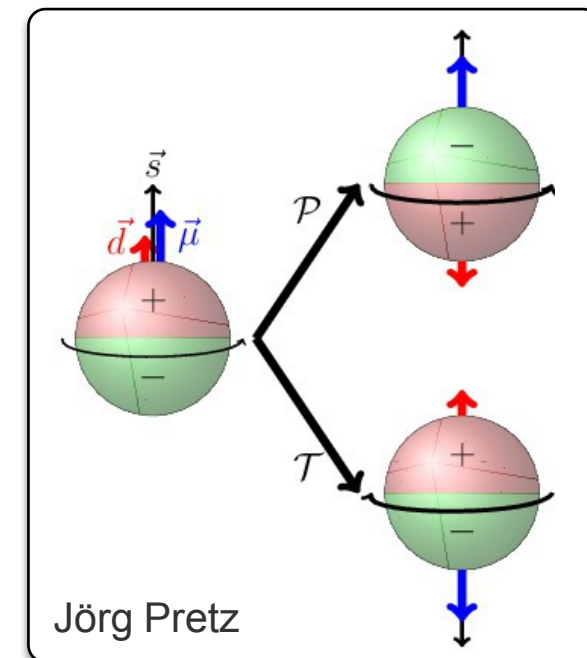
Multi-nucleon contributions for
DUNE/super-K



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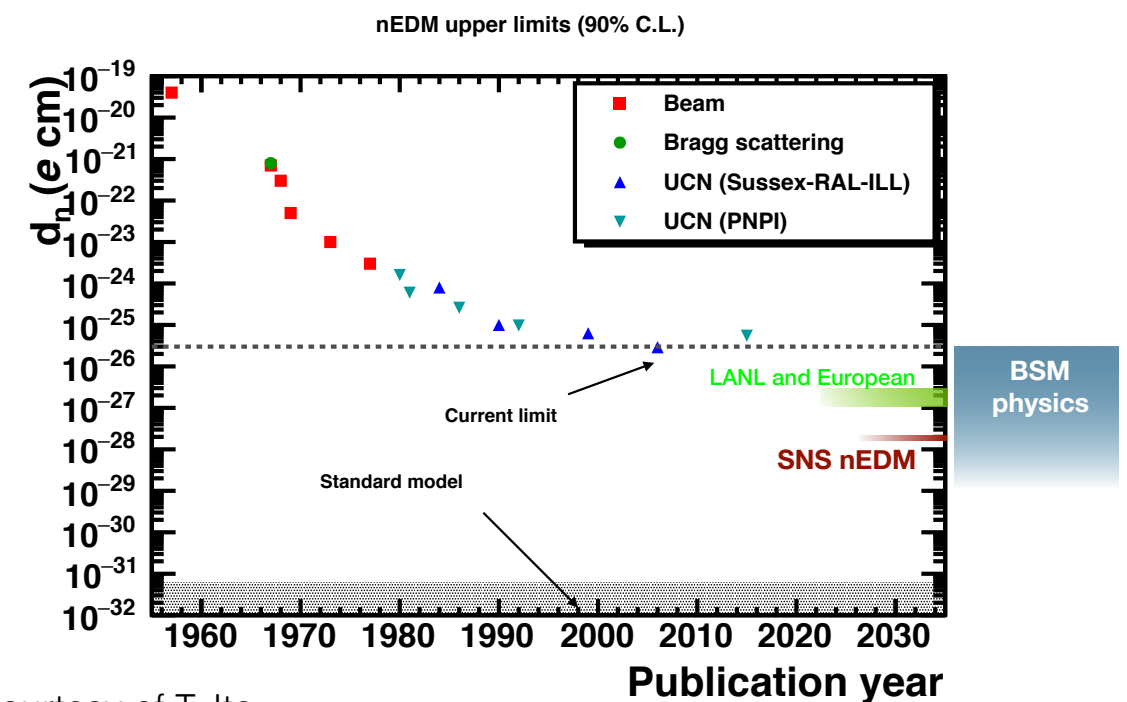
MOTIVATION AND TARGET OBSERVABLES



- Permanent EDM of protons, neutrons and nuclei would be the best evidence for CP violation beyond the SM.
- Several neutron EDM experiments are planned (SNS and LANL in the U.S.), improving the limits by 2 orders of magnitude.

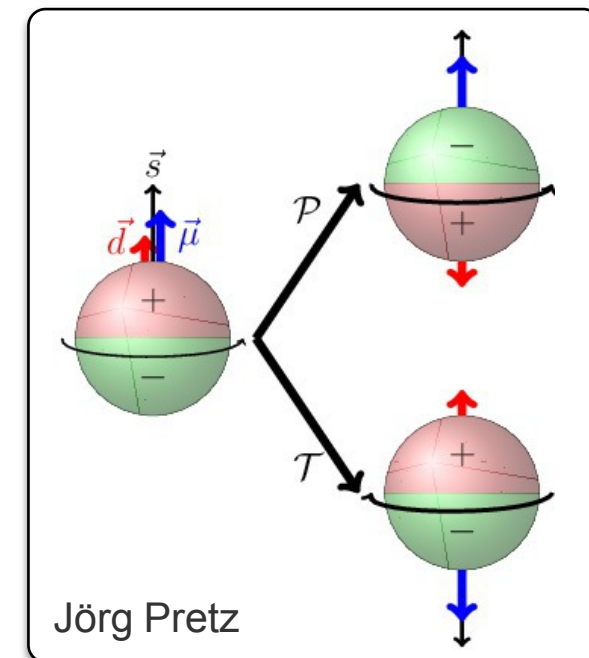
	Current	SM
e	10^{-29}	10^{-38}
μ	10^{-19}	10^{-35}
τ	10^{-16}	10^{-34}
n	10^{-26}	10^{-31}
p	10^{-23}	10^{-31}
^{199}Hg	10^{-29}	10^{-33}
^{129}Xe	10^{-27}	10^{-33}
^{225}Ra	10^{-23}	10^{-33}

Experimental landscape



Plot courtesy of T. Ito.

MOTIVATION AND TARGET OBSERVABLES



- Constraining BSM requires combining different non-zero EDM results and matching between nuclear-level EDM and quark/gluon effective CP violating operators.

- Quark EDM and tensor charges essentially done, more on isoscalar and strange/charm to be done. the rest of EDM contributions yet unconstrained.

$$\mathcal{L}_6^{CPV} = -\frac{i}{2} \sum_{f=e,u,d,s} d_f \bar{f} \sigma \cdot F \gamma_5 f - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{q=u,d,s} \tilde{d}_q g_s \bar{q} \sigma \cdot G \gamma_5 q + d_W \frac{g_s}{6} G \tilde{G} G + \sum_i C_i^{(4f)} O_i^{(4f)}$$

See e.g., Bhattacharya et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 212002.

Alarcon et al, arXiv:2203.08103 [hep-ph].

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STRAIGHTFORWARD

θ_{QCD} -induced $p/n\text{EDM}$ at large
quark masses

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induced $n\text{EDM}$ at the physical
point

Weinberg $G\bar{G}G$ -induced $p/$
 $n\text{EDM}$ at large quark masses

CHALLENGING

θ_{QCD} -induced $p/n\text{EDM}$ at
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subtraction of the first item

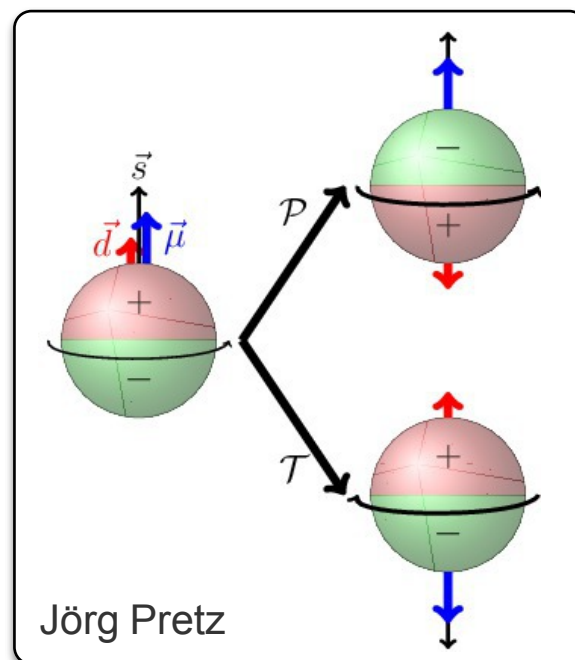
Weinberg $G\bar{G}G$ -induced $p/n\text{EDM}$
at the physical point, again mixing
with the first item

EXTREMELY
CHALLENGING

4-quark-induced $p/n\text{EDM}$
requires 4pt functions, and
often disconnecteds contb.

πNN and $NNNN$ CP-violating
interactions

EDM in deuteron and light
nuclei



EXPECTATIONS FOR THE NEXT DECADE

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	Nucleon g_S^{u-d}	3%	UCNB, Nab
	$\sigma_{\pi N}, \sigma_s$	5%	Mu2e, LZ, CDMS
	Nucleon r_E, r_A	5%	DUNE, MicroBooNE, NOvA, T2K
	Nucleon $F_A(q^2)$	8%	DUNE, MicroBooNE, NOvA, T2K
	Nucleon tensor	20%	DUNE, MicroBooNE, NOvA, T2K
	Nucleon PDFs	12%*	ATLAS, CMS, DUNE, EIC expts
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	Nucleon EDM	10%*	Neutron, proton EDM experiments
	$g_{A,T,S}, 1 < A \leq 4$	20%*	All neutrino, DM, EDM, ...

Kronfeld at al, USQCD Snowmass whitepaper (2022).

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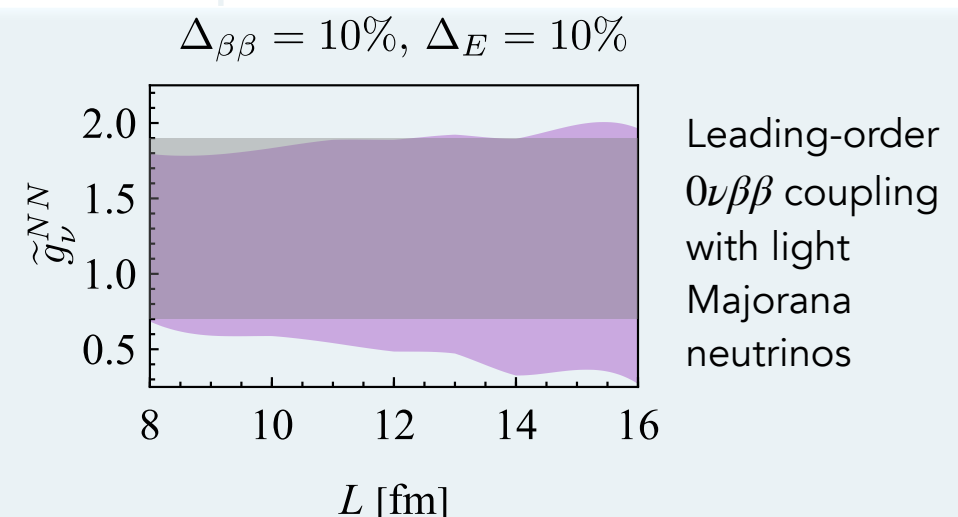
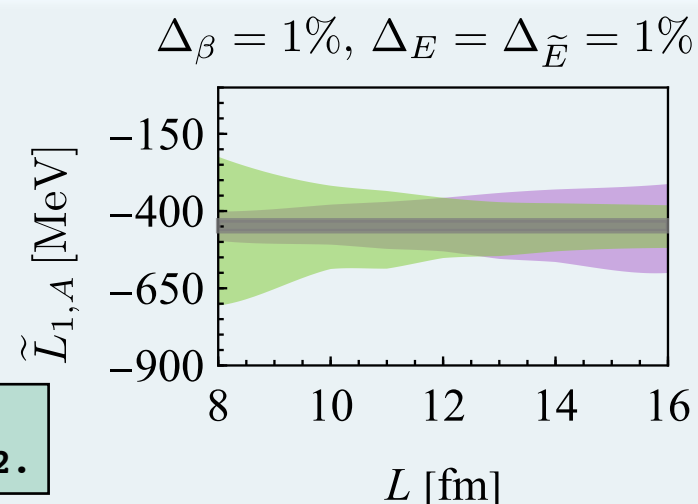
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Need more resource assessments and sensitivity analysis using synthetic data for nuclear matrix elements.

Leading-order
two-nucleon
correlated axial
coupling

ZD, Kadam, Phys. Rev.
D 105 (2022) 9, 094502.



Three features make lattice QCD calculations of nuclei hard:

i) The complexity of systems grows rapidly with the number of quarks.

Detmold and Orginos, Phys. Rev. D 87, 114512 (2013).

**See also: Detmold and Savage, Phys.Rev.D82 014511 (2010).
Doi and Endres, Comput. Phys. Commun. 184 (2013) 117.**

ii) Excitation energies of nuclei are much smaller than the QCD scale.

**Beane et al (NPLQCD), Phys.Rev.D79 114502 (2009).
Beane, Detmold, Orginos, Savage, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 66 (2011).
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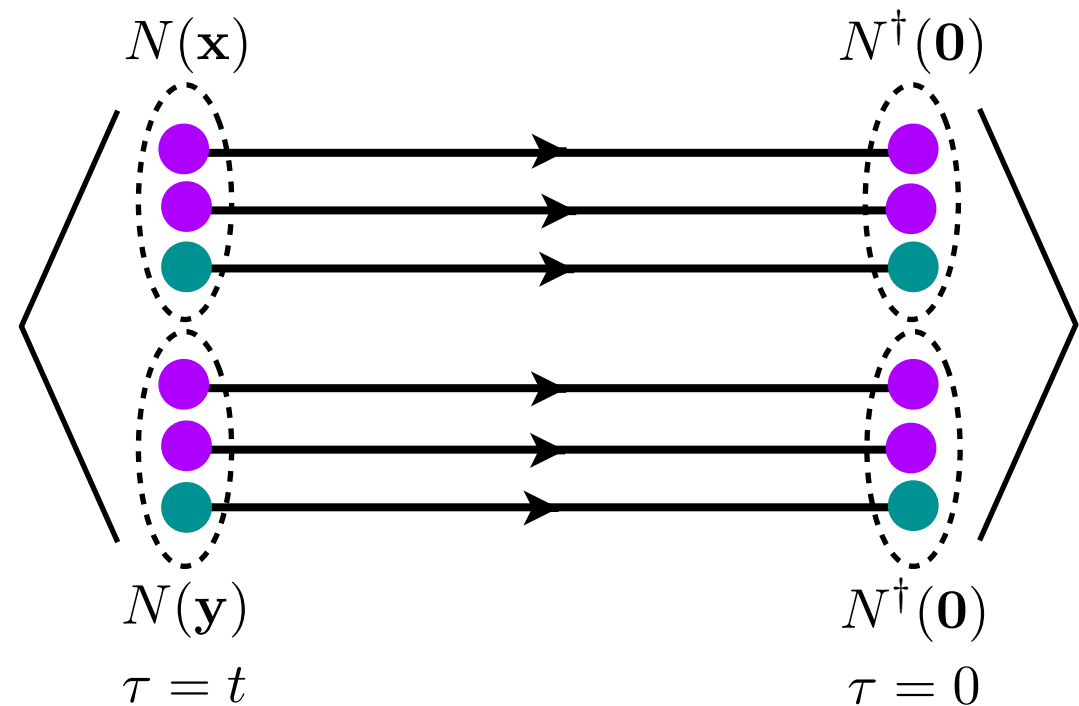
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Paris (1984) and Lepage (1989).

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Complexities of quark-level
interpolating fields

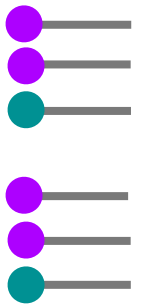
Complexities of
quark contractions

A quark-level nuclear interpolating field:

$$\bar{\mathcal{N}}^h = \sum_{\mathbf{a}} w_h^{a_1, a_2 \dots a_{n_q}} \bar{q}(a_1) \bar{q}(a_2) \dots \bar{q}(a_{n_q})$$

All possibilities for quark quantum numbers in the interpolating operator

Naive weights



which naively has $\frac{N!}{n_q!(N - n_q)!}$ terms! But many of the terms are zero by symmetries.

Detmold and Orginos (2013),
Endres and Doi (2013).

Example: deuteron at a single site

$$924 \rightarrow 21$$

Complexities of quark-level
interpolating fields

Naively the number of quark contractions for a nucleus goes as:

$$(2N_p + N_n)! (N_p + 2N_n)!$$

How bad is this?

Example: Consider radium-226 isotope.
The number of contractions required is $\sim 10^{1425}$



Complexities of
quark contractions

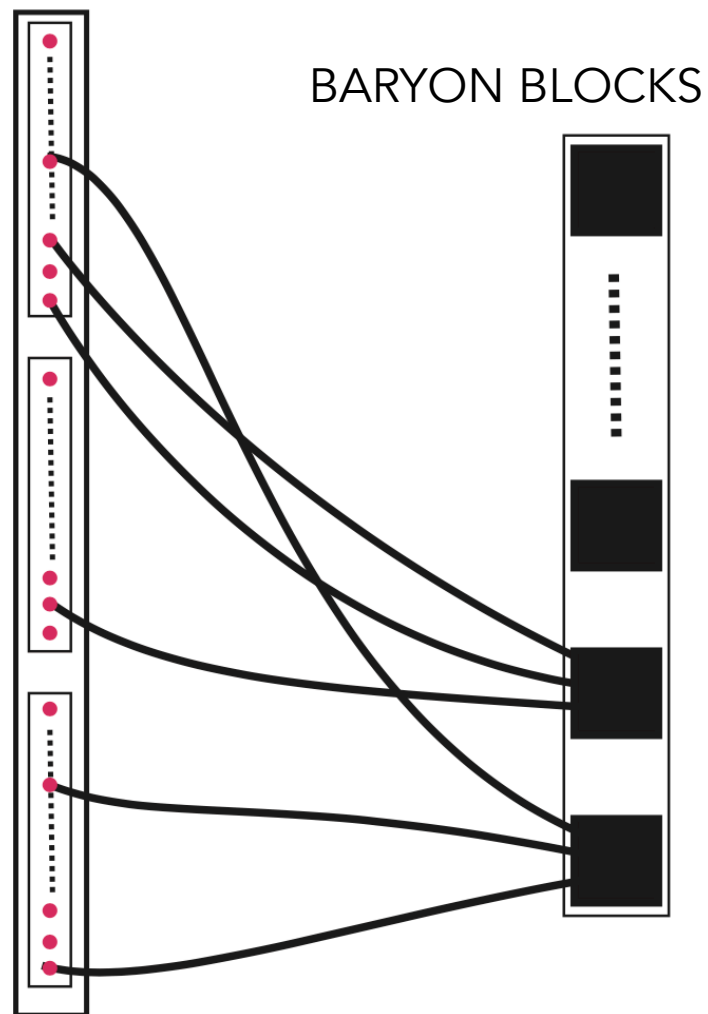
An example of a more efficient algorithm:

The new scaling is:

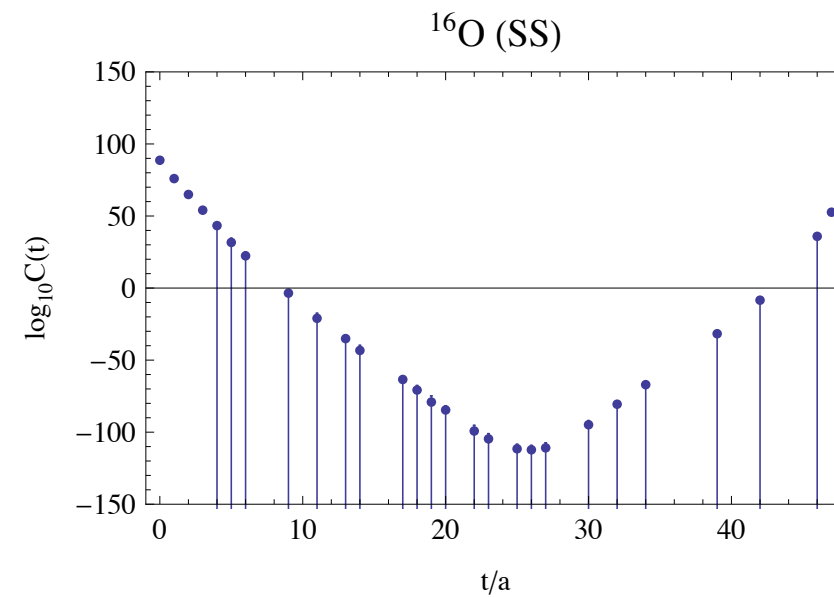
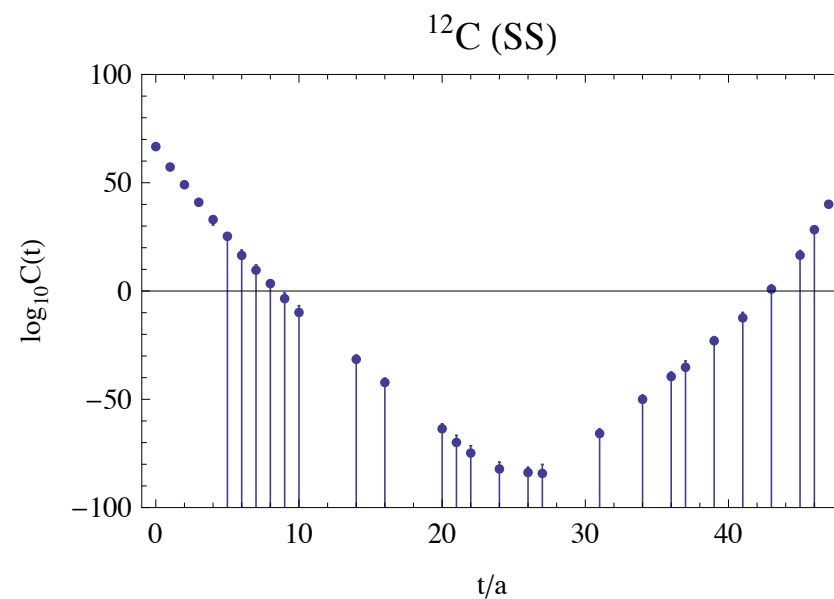
$$M_w \cdot N_w \cdot \frac{(3A)!}{(3!)^A}$$

Number of terms
in the sink

Number of terms
in the source



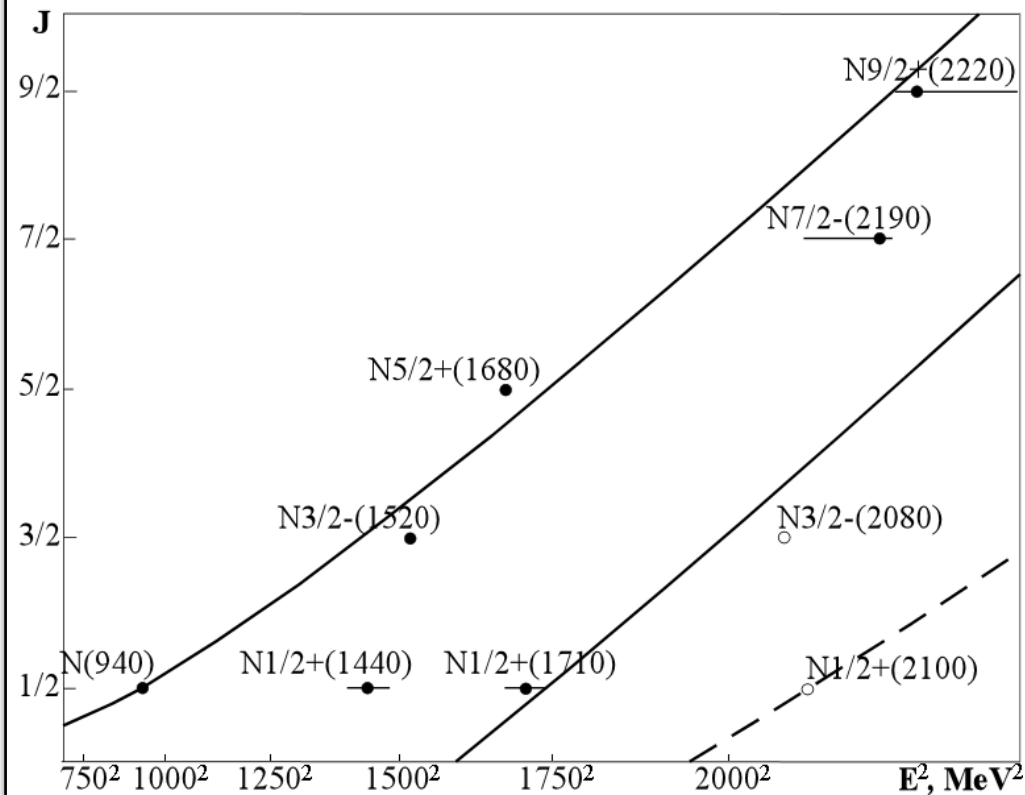
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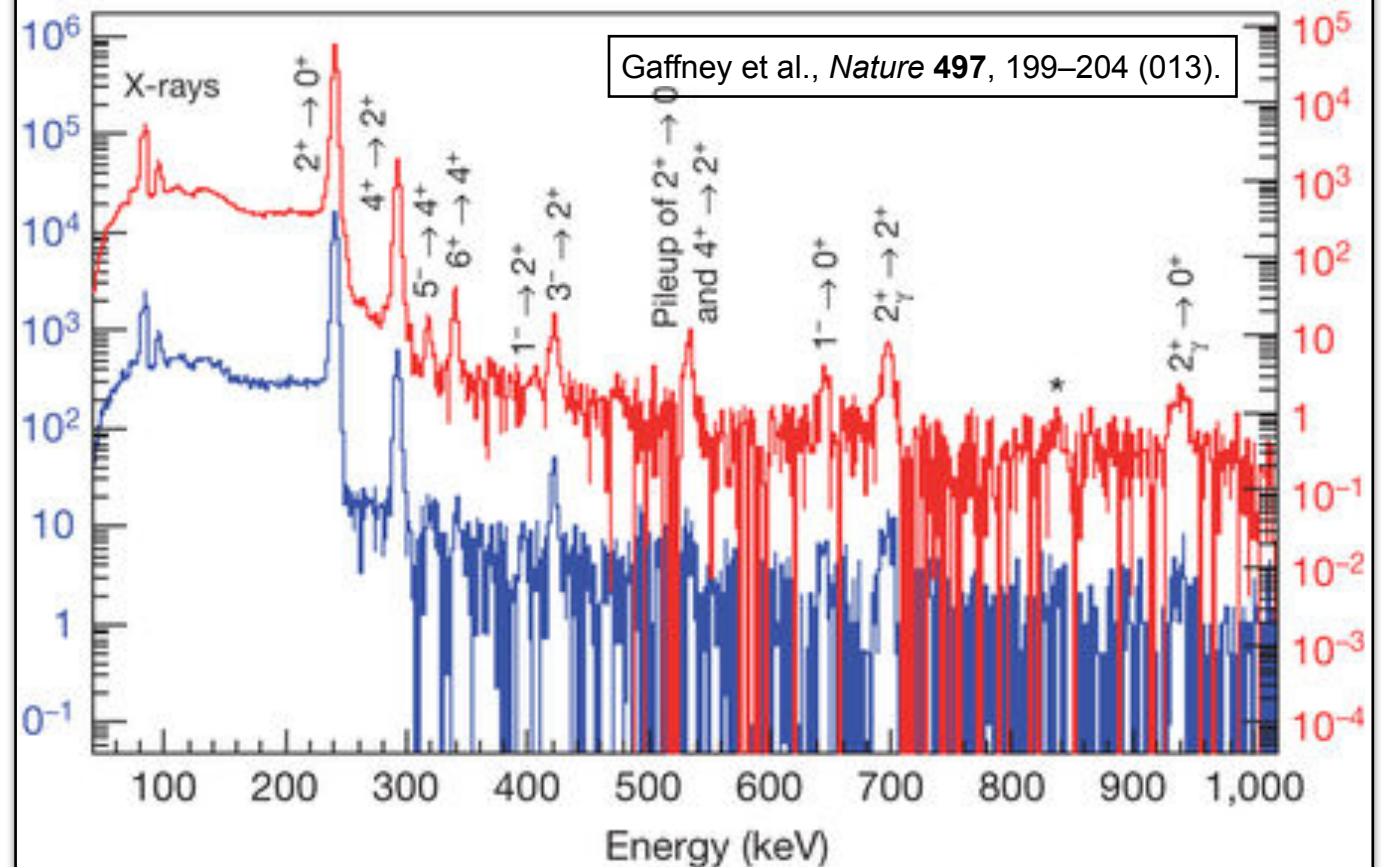
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Nucleon excitations



Kulikov, Dmitry A. et al., Central Eur.J.Phys. 11 (2013) .

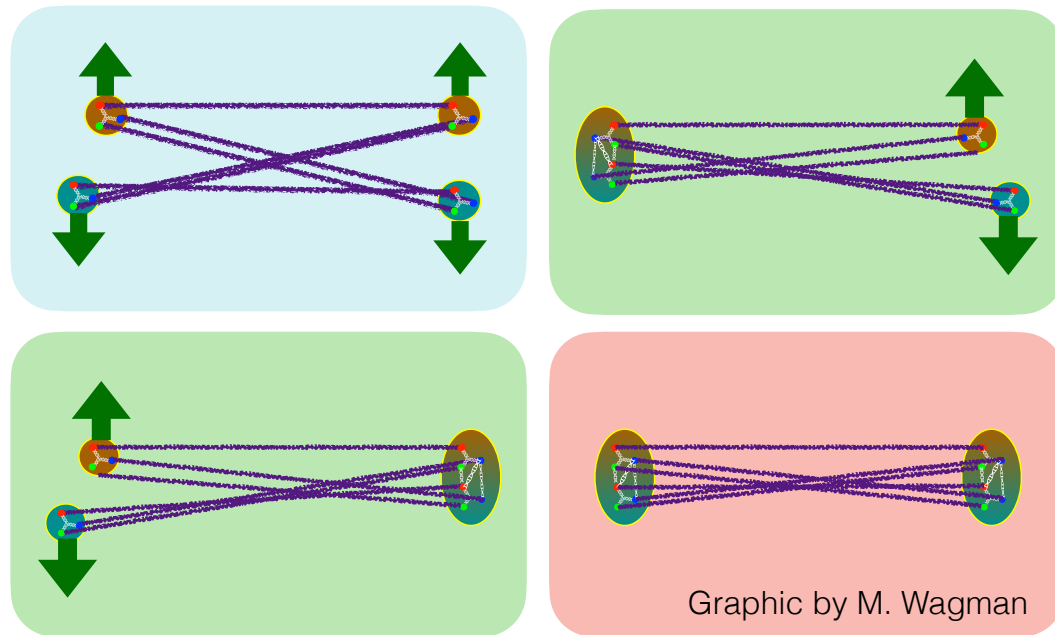
Nuclear excitations of two pear-shaped nuclei (radium and radon)



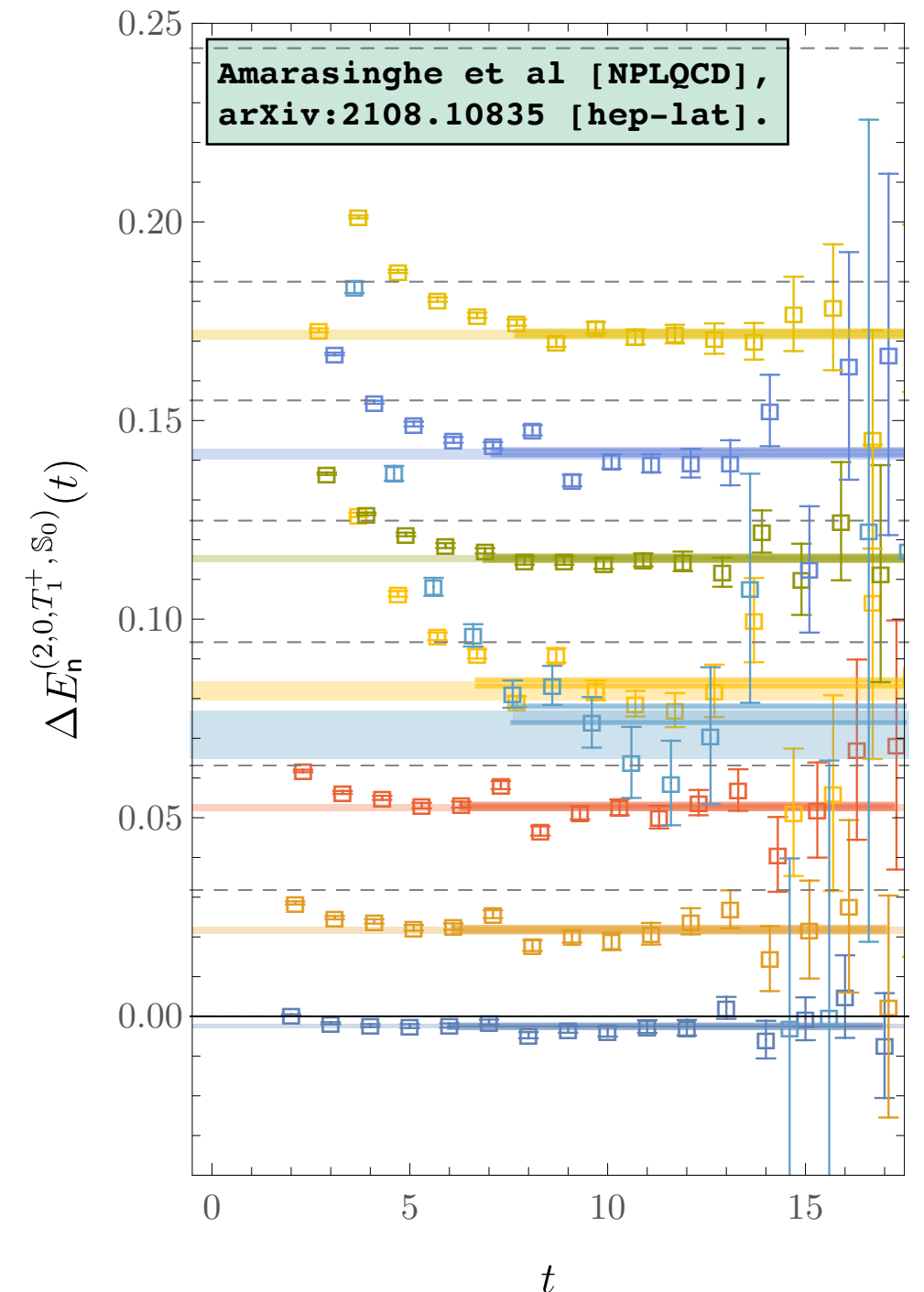
Getting radium directly from QCD will remain challenging for a long time! One should first compute $A = 2, 3, 4$ systems well. This is still not that easy: $B_d \approx 2$ MeV !

The small excitation gaps require more sophisticated techniques to discern the spectrum, such as variational approaches with a large and diverse operator set. Example: Deuteron channel at $m_\pi \approx 800$ MeV.

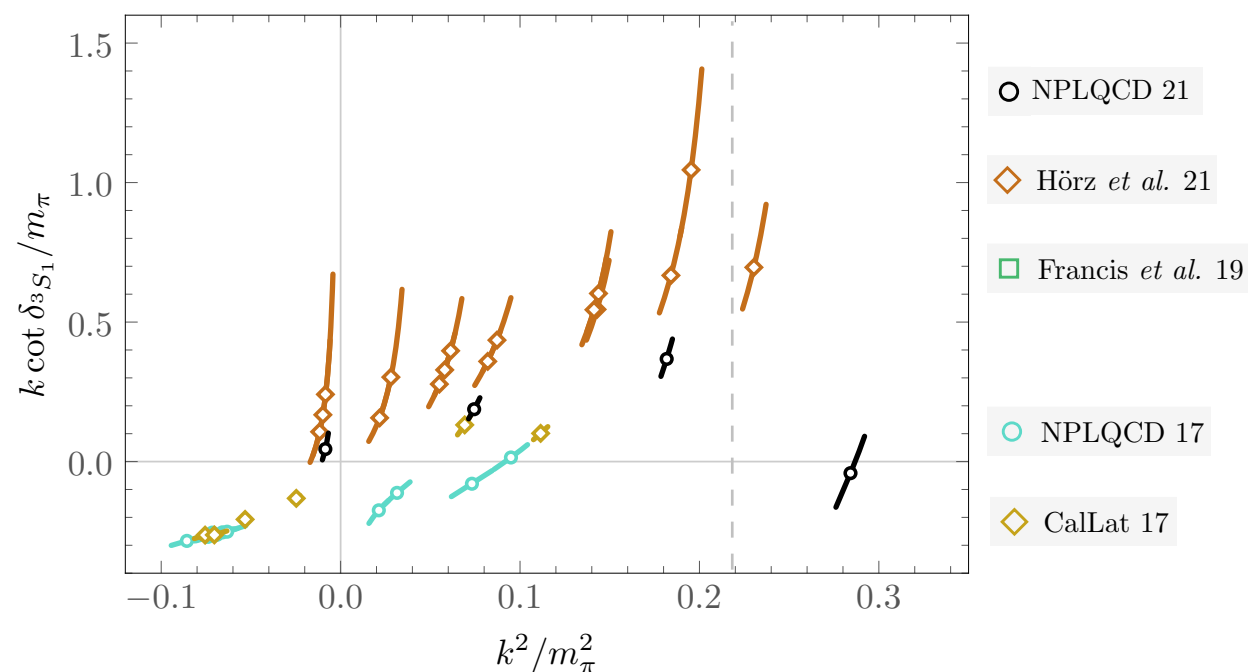
A symmetric correlation function of many types of operators at source and sink...



leads to identification of upper bounds on finite-volume eigenenergies...

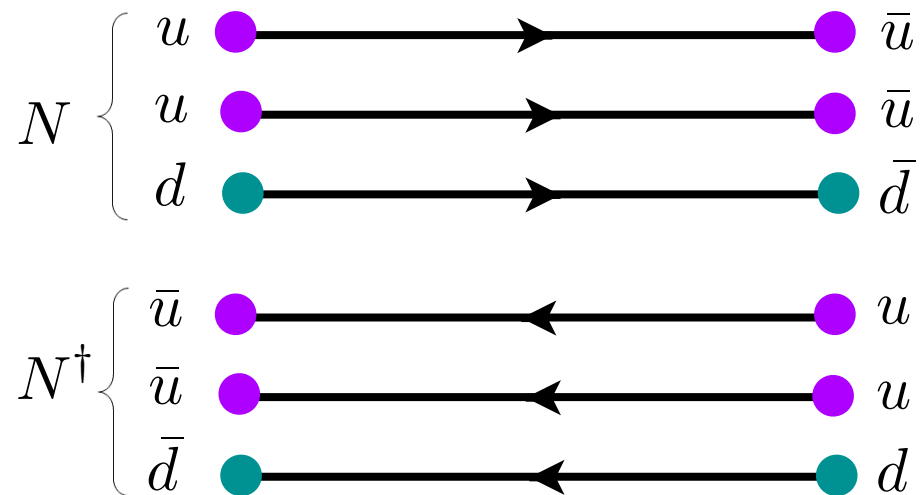


which gives access to low-energy scattering phase shifts.

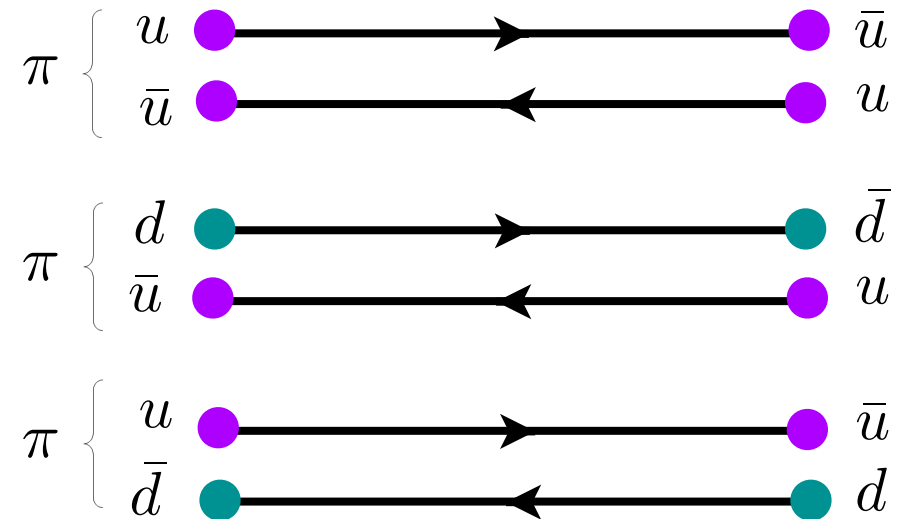


iii) There is a severe signal-to-noise degradation.

The origin of noise



$$\langle |C|^2 \rangle = \langle 0 | N^\dagger(t) N(t) N^\dagger(0) N(0) | 0 \rangle$$



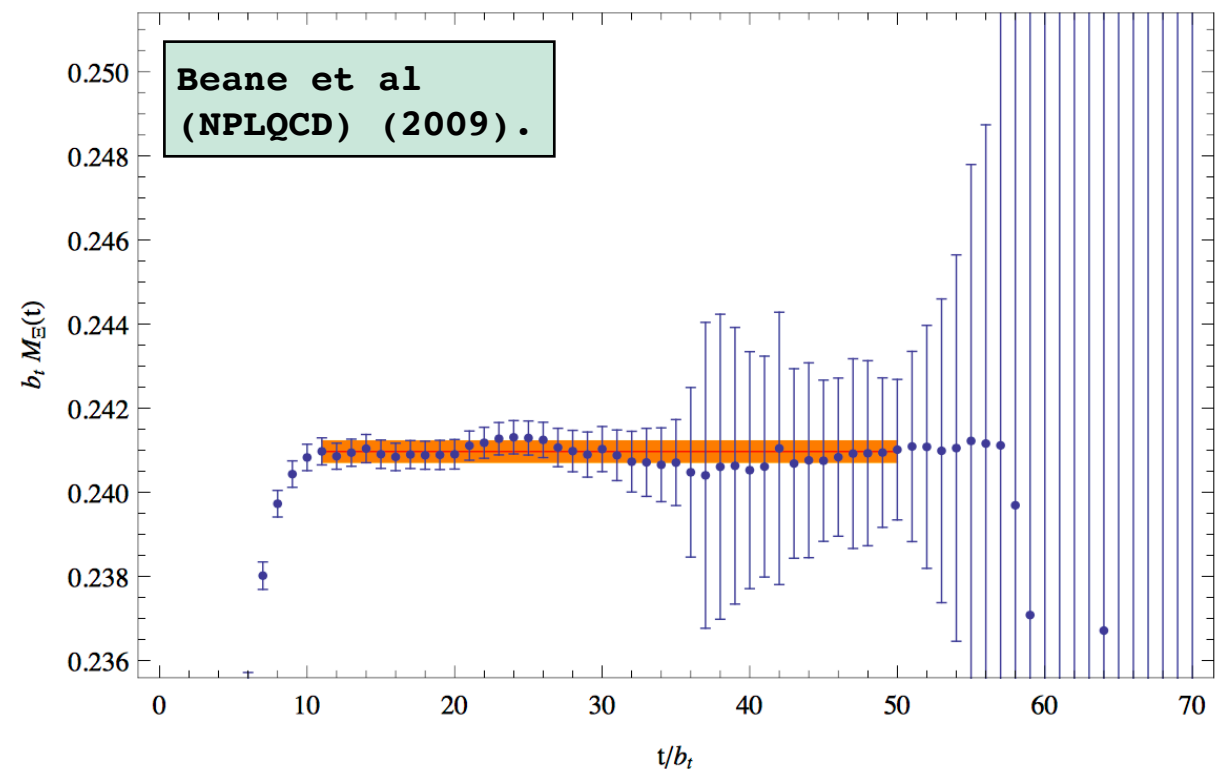
The ground-state of the variance correlator is three pions and not two nucleons:

$$\text{StN}(C_i) \sim \frac{\langle C_i \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle |C_i|^2 \rangle}} \sim e^{-(M_N - \frac{3}{2}m_\pi)t}$$

Parisi (1984) and Lepage (1989).

Wagman and Savage (2016, 2017).

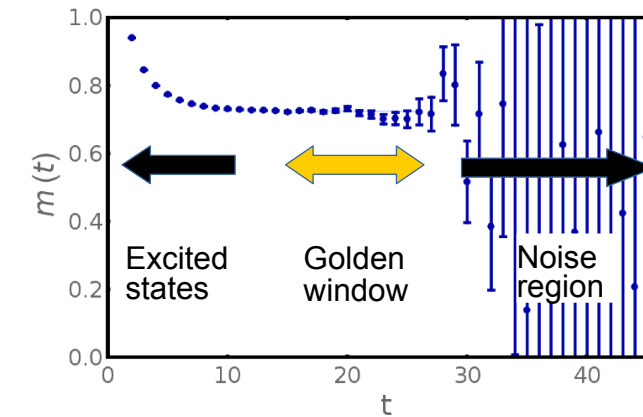
Similar arguments explain why boosted hadron correlation functions are noisy too.



Ideas to combat signal-to-noise problem include:

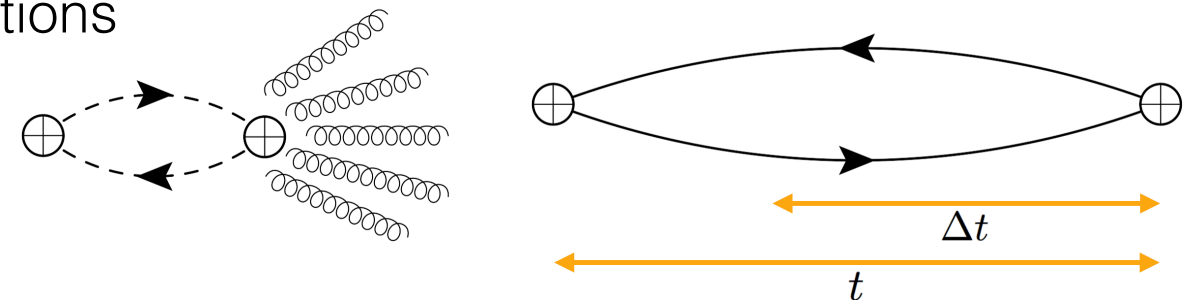
i) Enhancing the signal by operator-overlap optimizations (heuristically or systematically)

Endres and Detmold (2014).



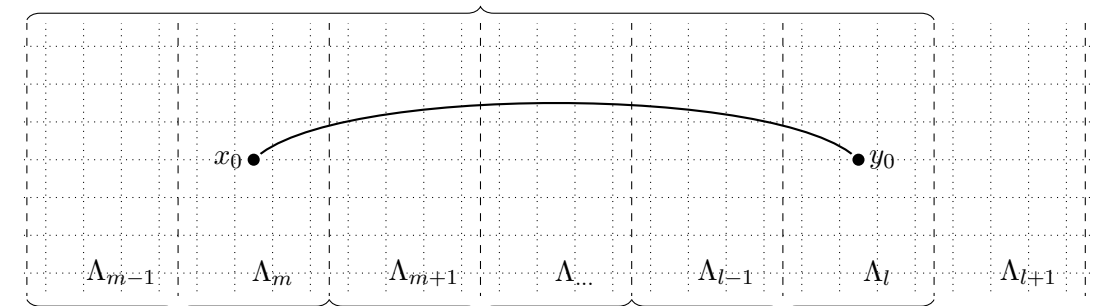
ii) A phase reweighting method to allow extrapolations by systematically changing the noise contribution

Savage and Wagman (2016–2017).



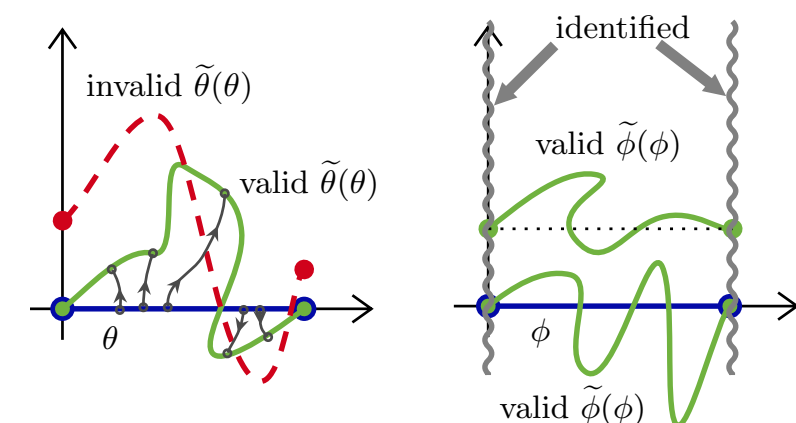
iii) Exploiting decorrelation between spacetime subvolumes (multilevel integrals and domain decomposition)

Ce, Giusti and Schaefer (2016–2018).

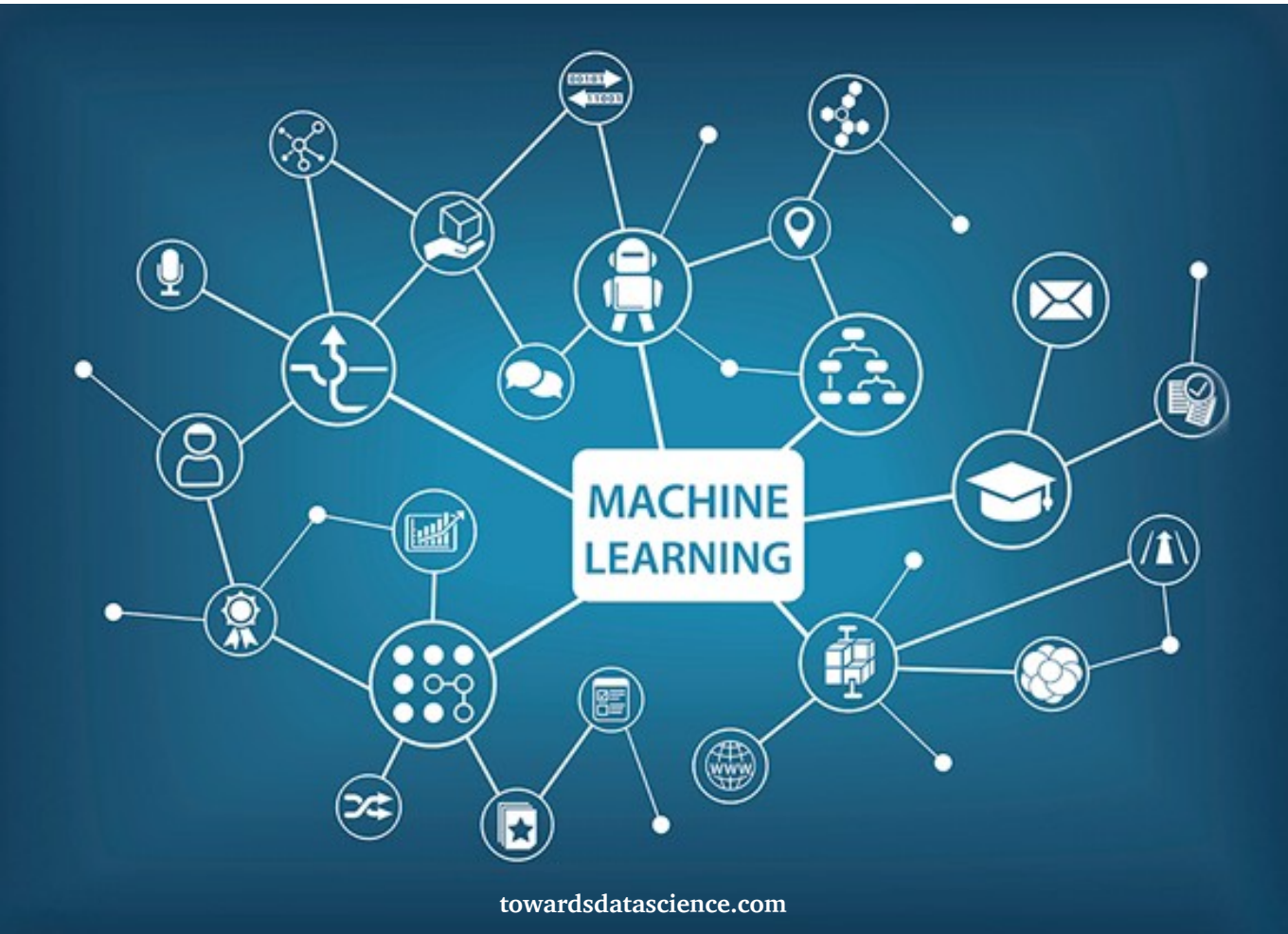


iv) Path integral contour deformations for observables

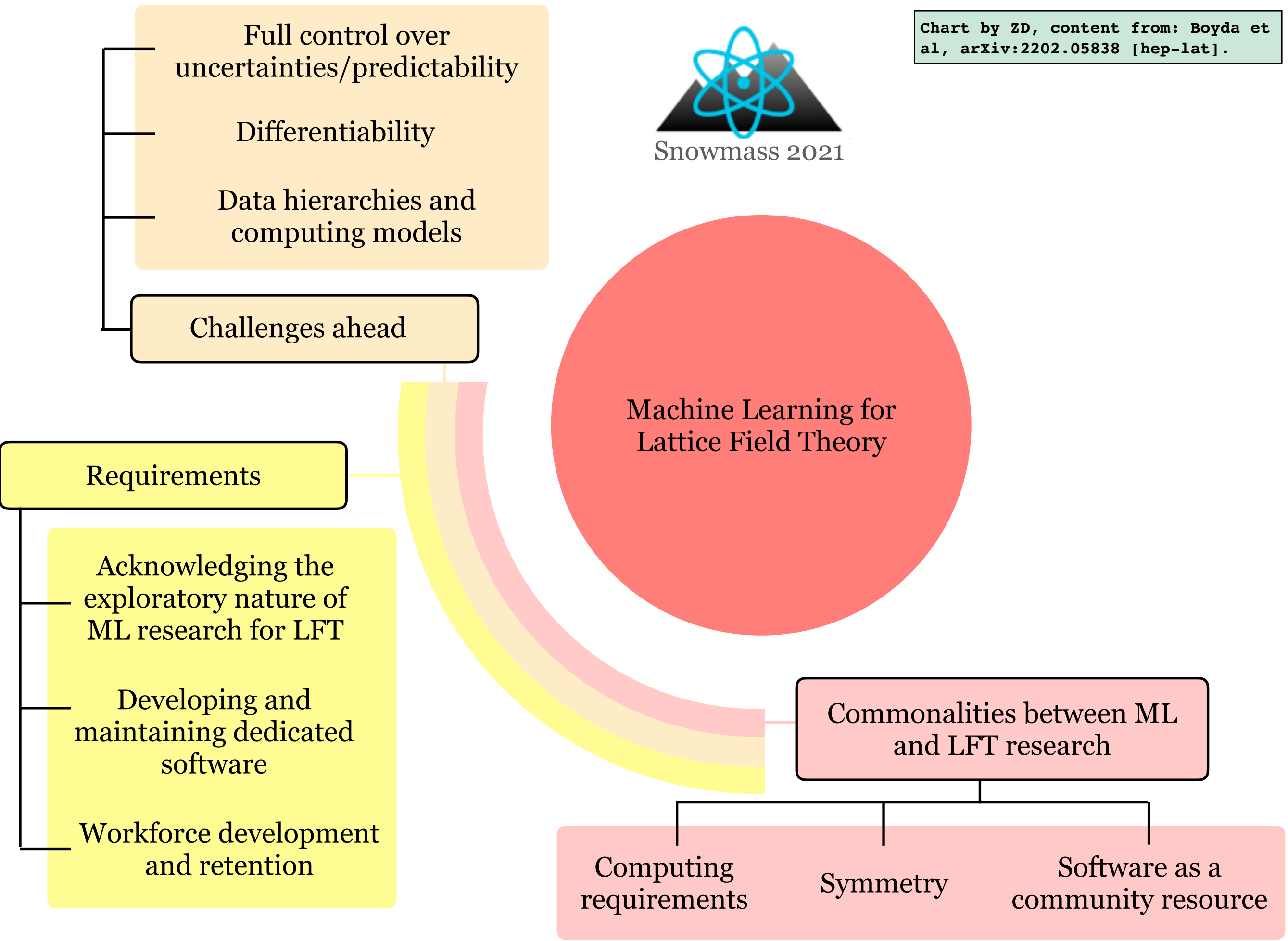
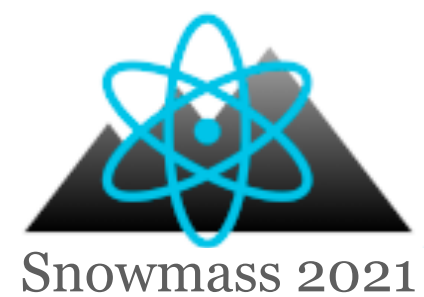
Detmold, Kanwar, Lamm, Wagman, Warrington (2021).



CAN WE COMBAT SIGNAL-TO-NOISE AND SIGN PROBLEMS IN MONTE CARLO LATTICE QCD SIMULATIONS WITH NEW COMPUTATIONAL PARADIGMS?



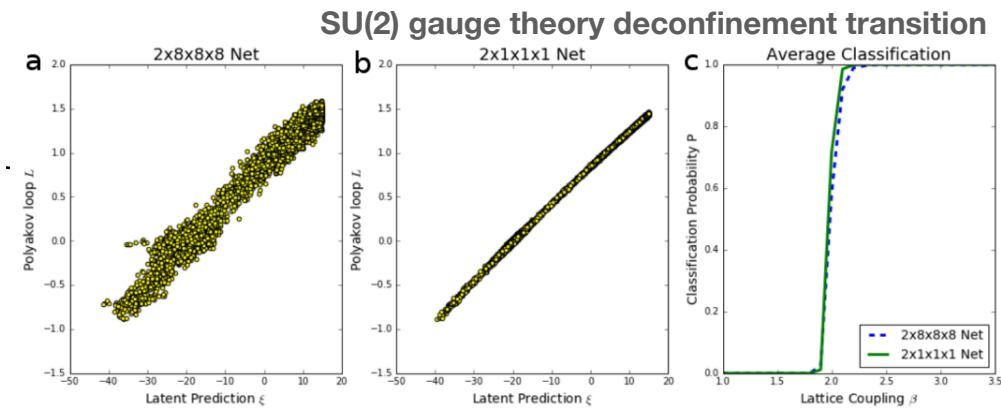
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APPLICATIONS OF ML ON LATTICE FIELD THEORY TO DATE

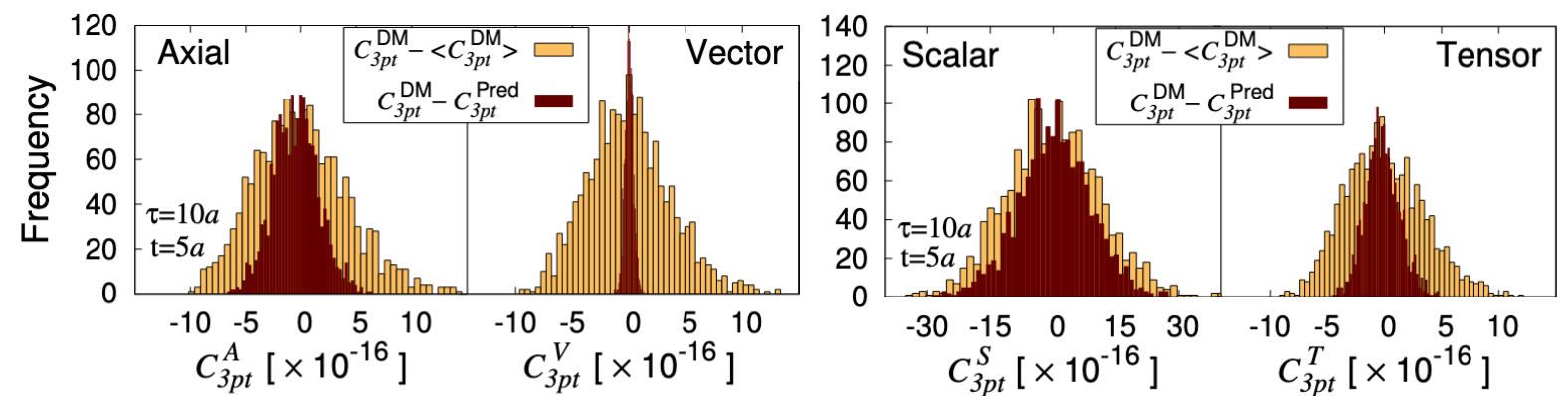
i) Classifying lattice field theory phases

e.g., Wetzel et al, Phys. Rev. B 96, 184410 (2017).



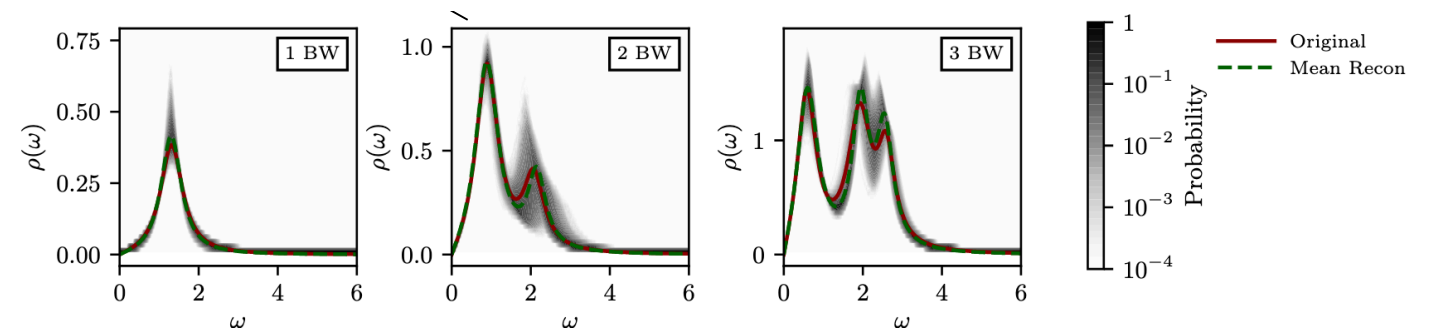
ii) Estimating observables

e.g., Yoon+ Phys. Rev. D 100, 014504 (2019).



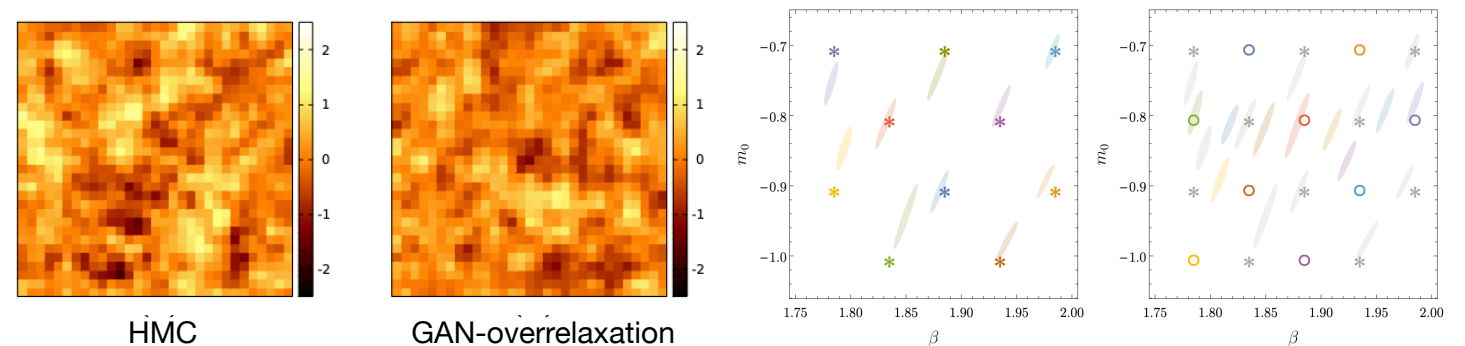
iii) Reconstructing spectral functions

e.g., Kades+ Phys. Rev. D 102, 096001 (2020).



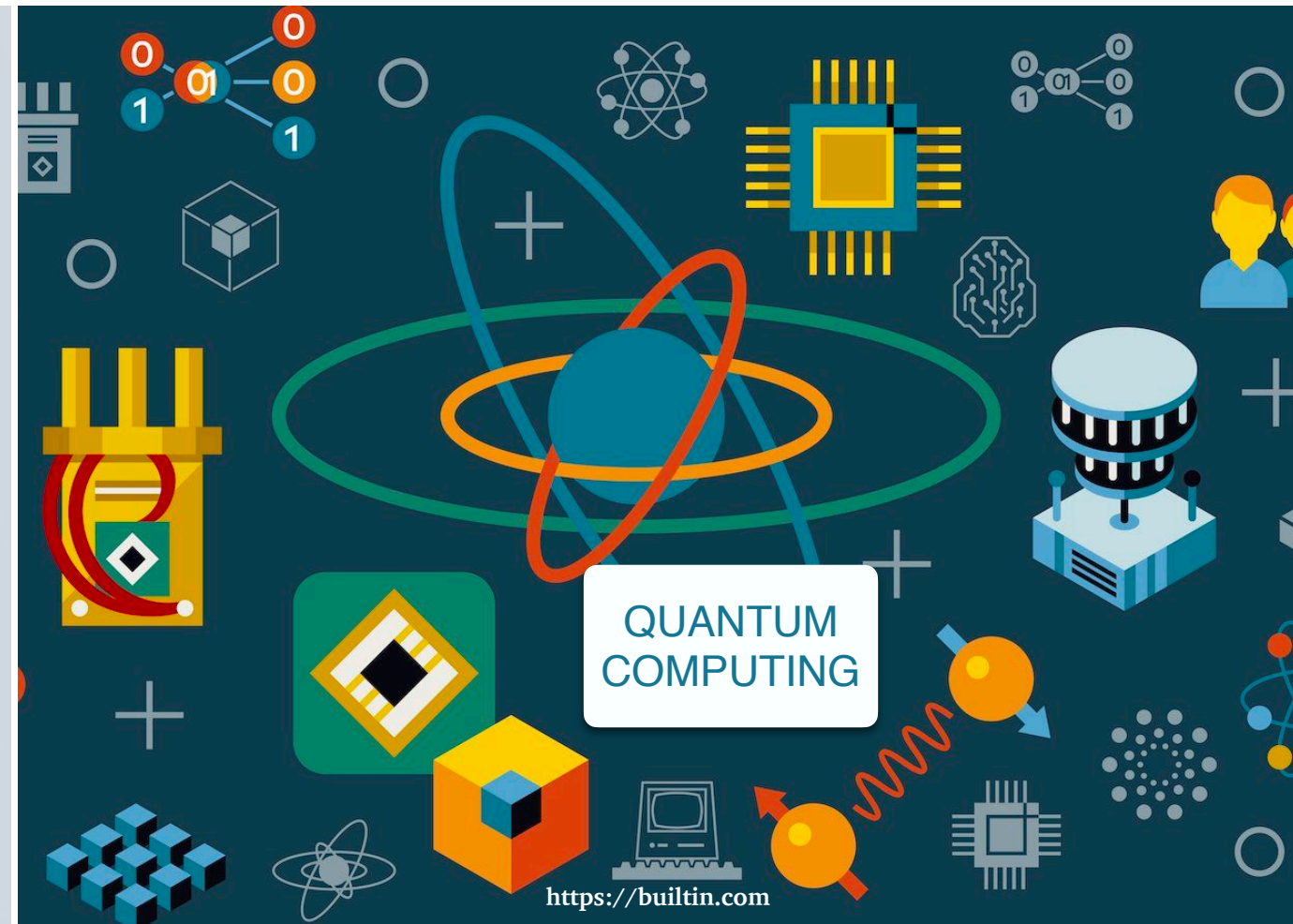
iv) Gauge ensemble generation and action parameter regression

e.g., Shanahan+ Phys. Rev. D 97, 094506 (2018), Pawłowski and Urban, ML: Sci. and Tech. 1 (2020) 045011.



And many more references e.g., in K. Kanwar's EuroPLEX 2022 Lectures and a Snowmass whitepaper by Boyda et al, arXiv:2202.05838 [hep-lat].

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MANY INTRACTABLE QUESTIONS IN NUCLEAR AND HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS REMAIN ILLUSIVE...

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Phenomenology

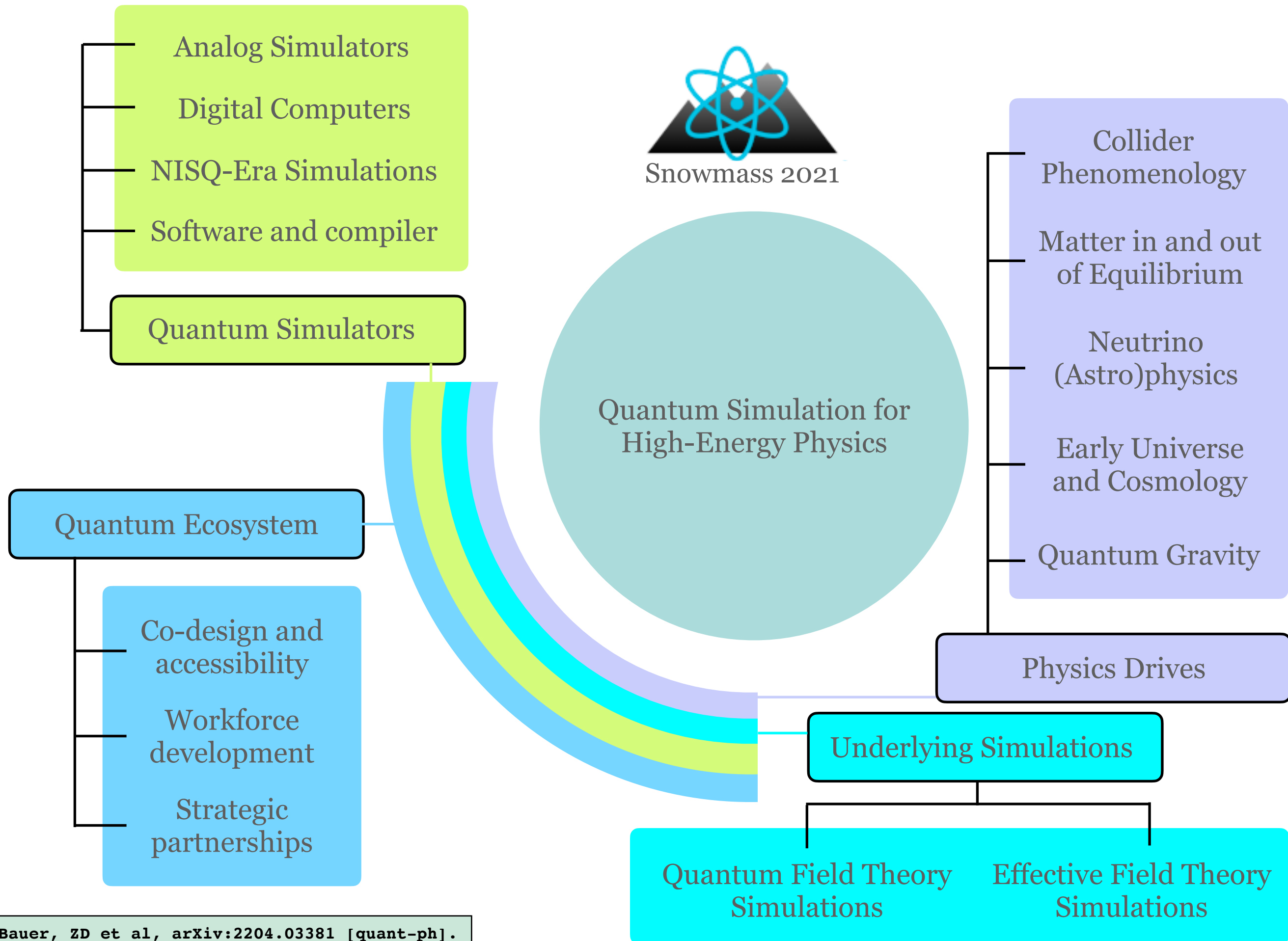
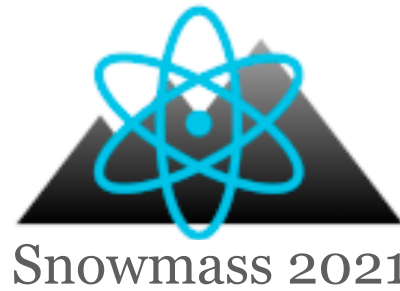
Matter in and out
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Neutrino
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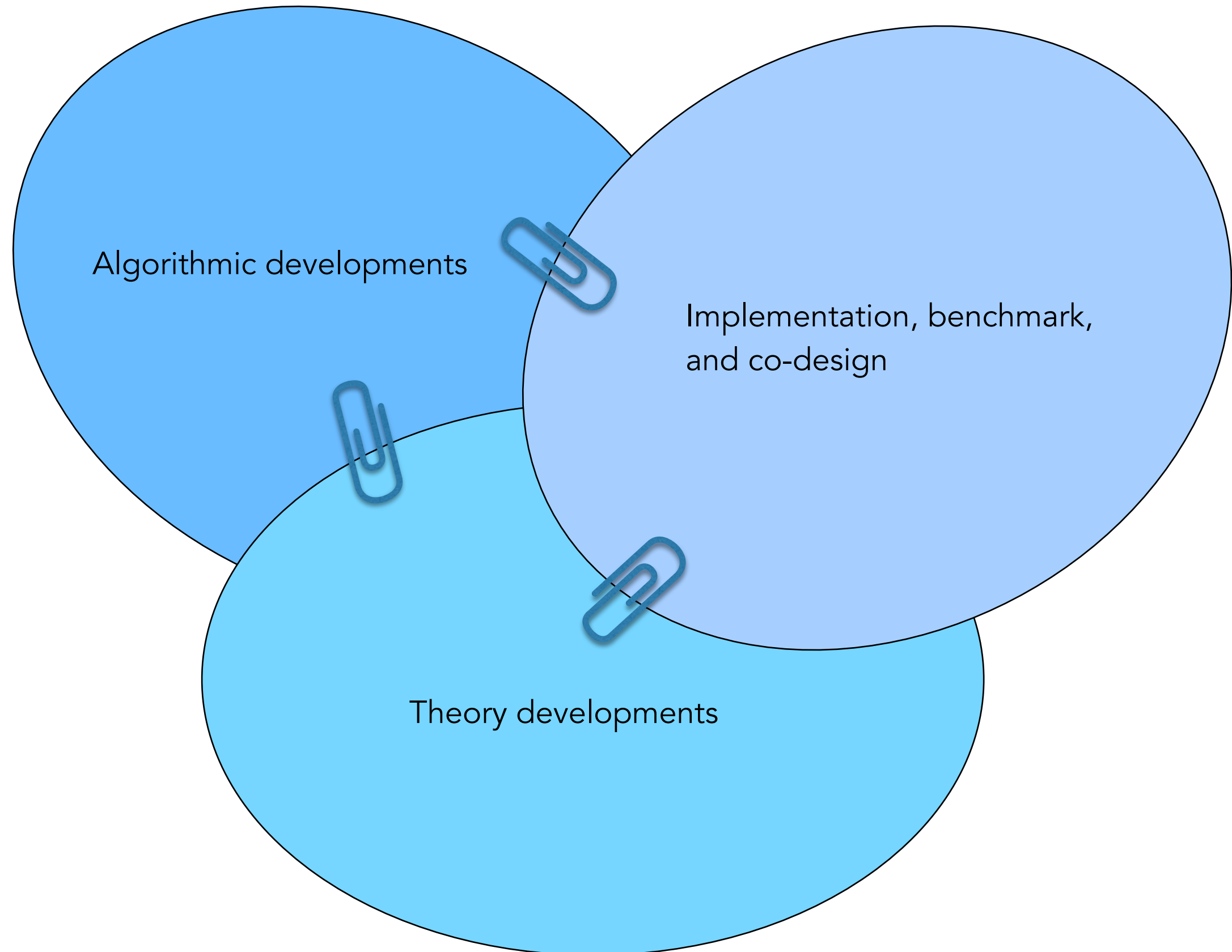
Early Universe
and Cosmology

Quantum Gravity

Physics Drives



A QUANTUM-SIMULATION-BASED LATTICE FIELD THEORY CAMPAIGN WILL BE MULTI PRONG AS HAS BEEN THE CASE WITH THE CONVENTIONAL PROGRAM...





How to formulate QCD in the Hamiltonian language?



What are the efficient formulations? Which bases will be most optimal toward the continuum limit?



How to preserve the symmetries? How much should we care to retain gauge invariance?



How to quantify systematics such as finite volume, discretization, boson truncation, time digitization, etc.?



Theory developments

Algorithmic developments



Near- and far-term algorithms with tight bounded errors and resource requirement for gauge theories?



Can given formulation/encoding reduce qubit and gate resources?



How do we do state preparation and compute observables like scattering amplitudes?



Can non-Abelian gauge theories and higher dimensional theories be realized in an analog simulator?



Can we robustly bound the errors in the analog simulation? What quantities are more robust to errors?



Implementation, benchmark, and co-design



What is the capability limit of the hardware for gauge-theory simulations so far?



What is the nature of noise in hardware and how can it best be mitigated?

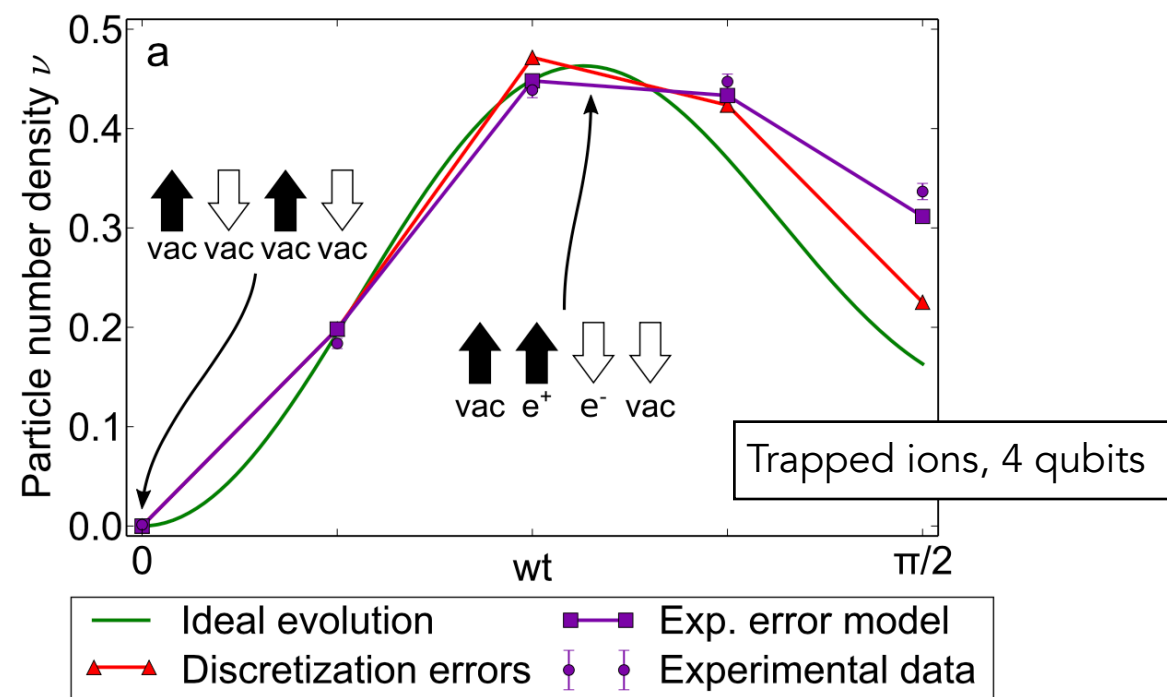


Can we co-design dedicated systems for gauge-theory simulations?

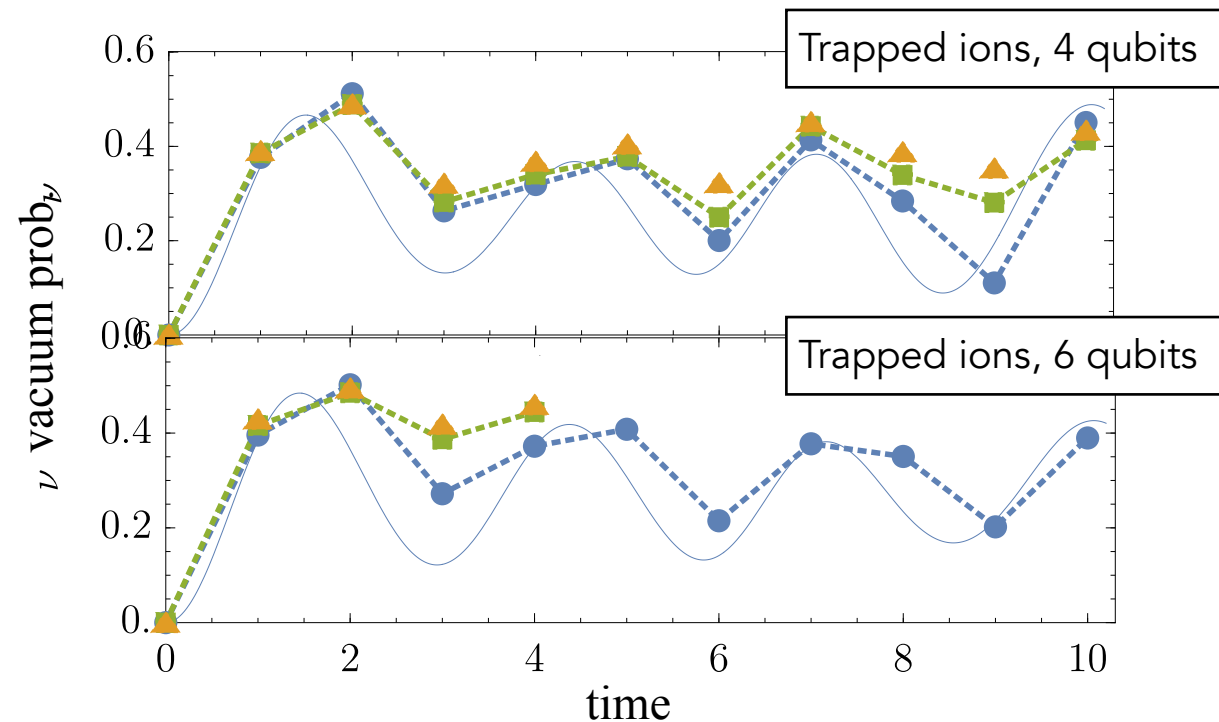


Can digital and analog ideas be combined to facilitate simulations of field theories?

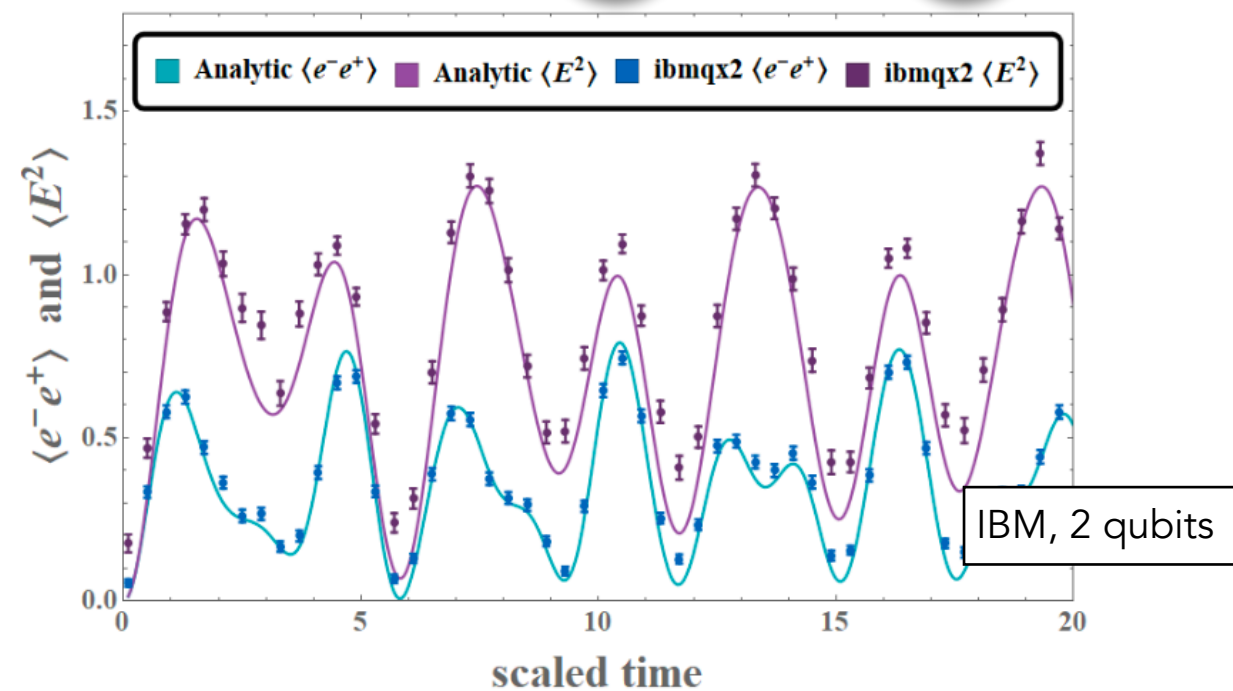
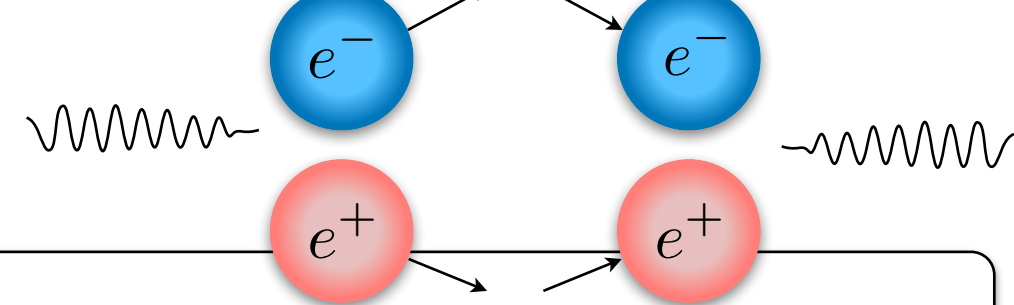
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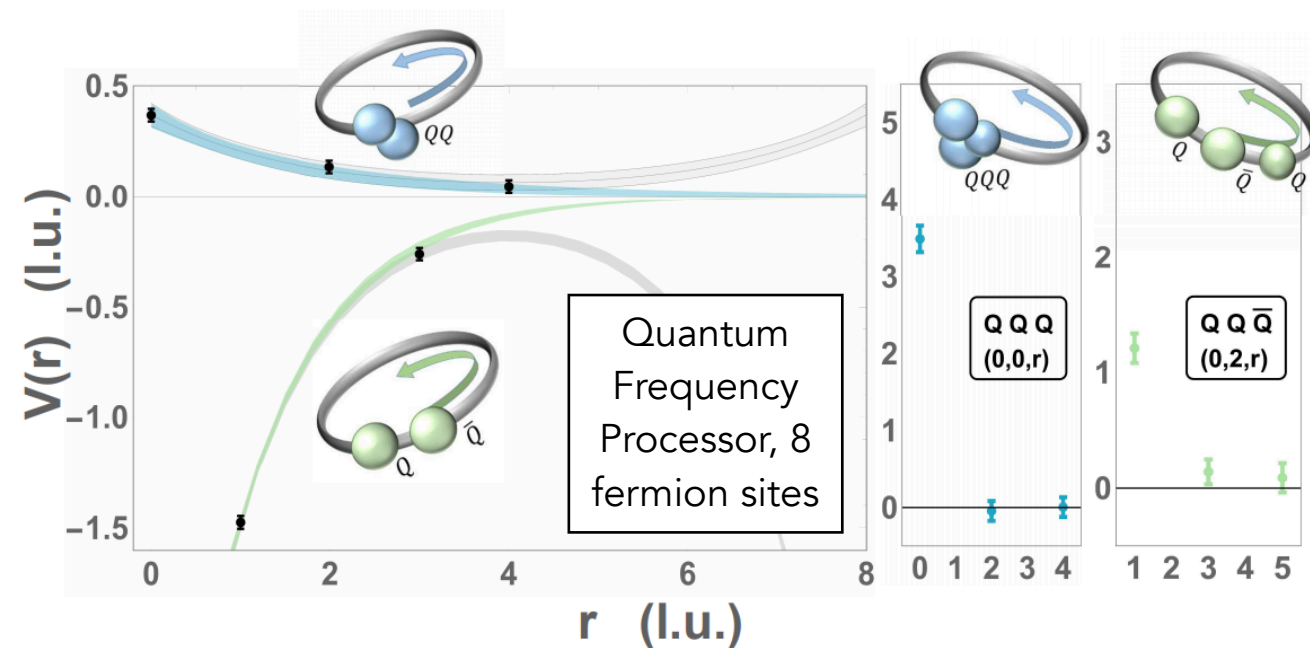
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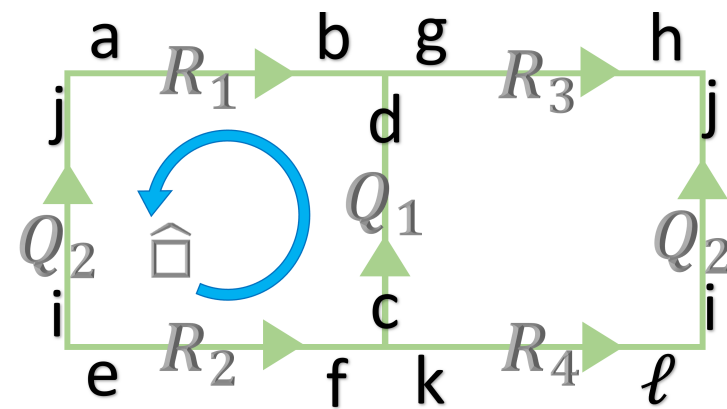


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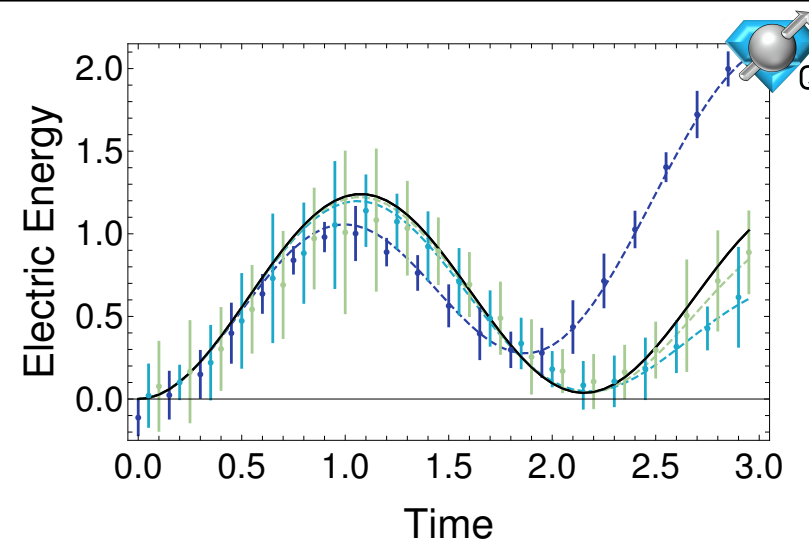


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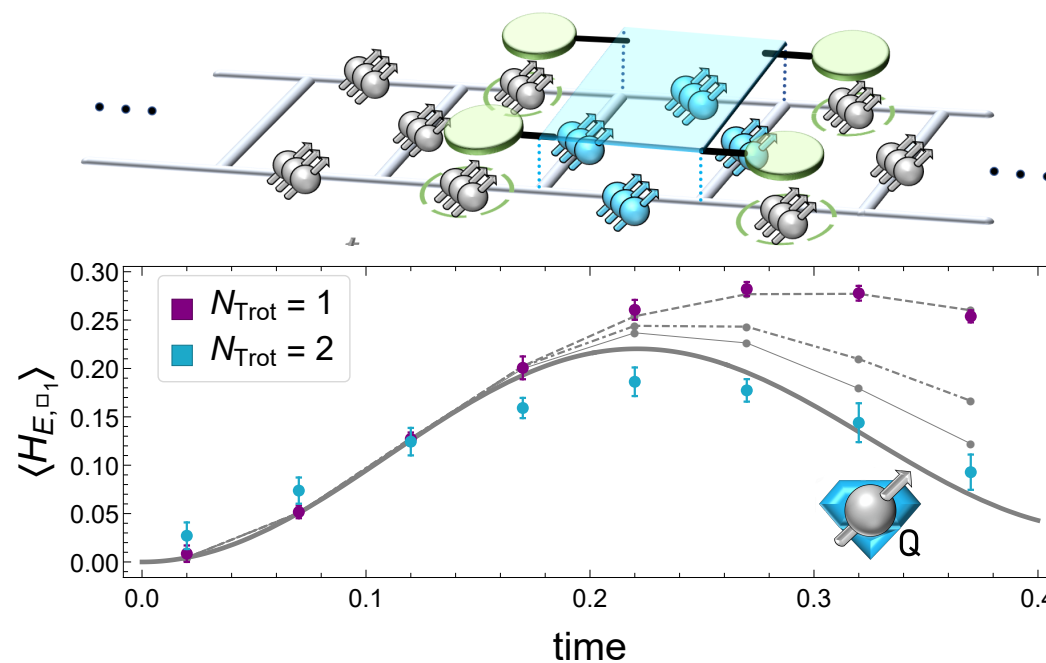


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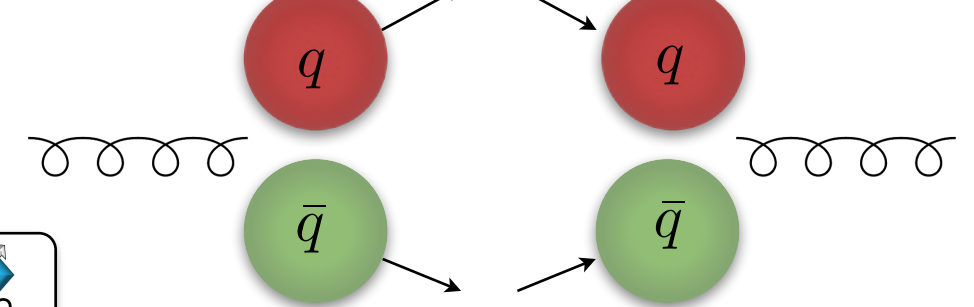


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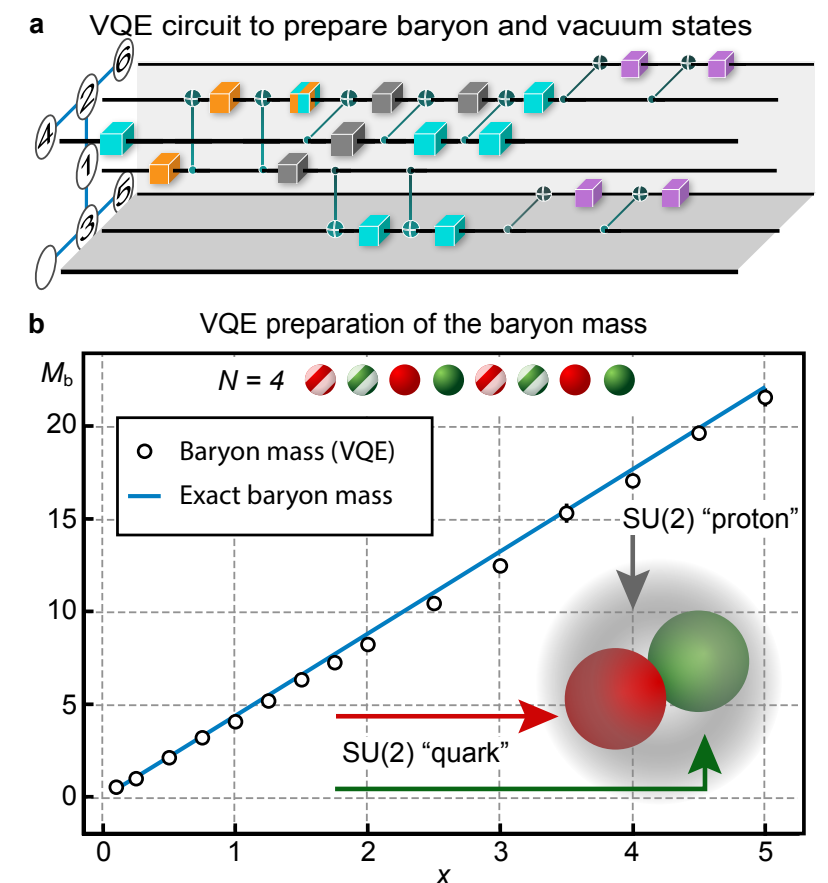
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TO SUMMARIZE:

Theorists supporting the research program in searches for new physics in rare processes in nucleon and nuclei include high-energy physicists building the high-scale models, QCD physicists matching high-scale models to hadronic-scale quantities, and nuclear physicists matching the hadronic quantities to nuclear-scale quantities for experiment. The synergy among these communities will be essential.

Lattice field theorists have long identified the impactful calculations in this area and are pushing the frontiers of exploratory as well as mature full-scale computations of quantities of relevance to this program.

The quantities of interest are a set of local (and bi-local) nucleon and nuclear matrix elements associated with SM or beyond the SM quark- and gluon-level currents. Few percent uncertainties in nucleon matrix elements and <50% uncertainties in few-nucleon matrix elements are achievable goals of this program over the next decade.

To expedite the computations and combat signal-to-noise and sign problems associated with finite-density systems and/or dynamical quantities, lattice field theorists are exploring new computational paradigms such as machine learning and quantum computing.

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