



# *Origin of Visible Mass in the Universe*





**How did we  
get here?**

# The Nature of Things

- Looking at the known Universe, one could be awed by the many complex things it contains.
- Even the Earth itself is complicated enough to generate questions in the minds of we observers
- Basic amongst them are those which focus on our own existence and composition.
- Here, too, there are many levels to be explored, running right down to the nuclei at the core of every atom and molecule
- Even deeper, to the neutrons and protons (nucleons) that constitute those nuclei.
- Faced with all this, physicists nevertheless assume that a few simple mathematical rules should be sufficient to provide a complete explanation of everything we can now perceive, and which might become perceptible in future.
- **This may be correct**

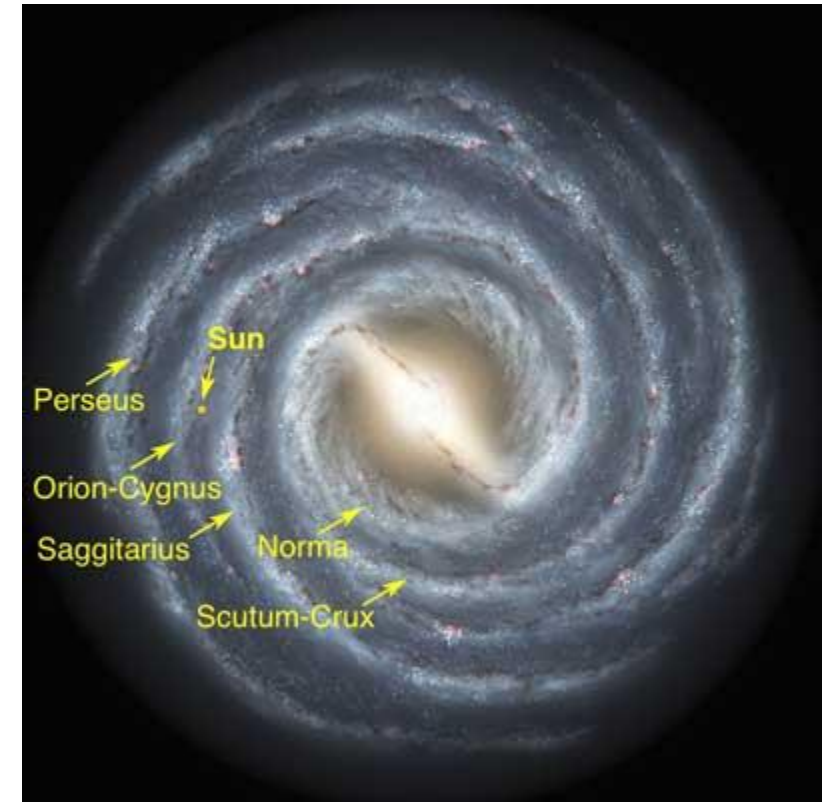
**Or it might be supreme arrogance = hubris**

# Emergent Phenomena in the Standard Model

Existence of our Universe depends critically on the following empirical facts:

- Proton is massive
  - *i.e.*, the mass-scale for strong interactions – nucleus formation and nuclear structure – is vastly different to that of atomic physics
- Proton is absolutely stable
  - Despite being a composite object constituted from three valence quarks

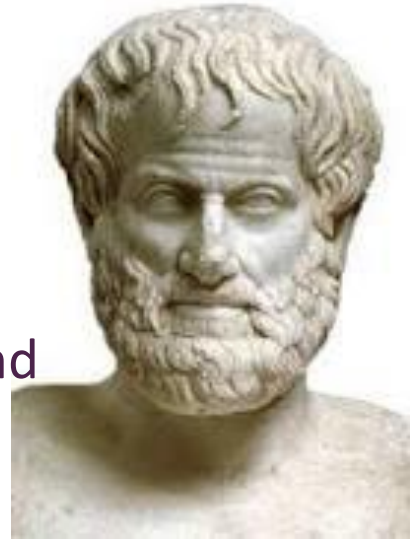
Neither of these things is evident from just looking at the known/supposed Standard Laws of Nature



*Emergence*: low-level rules producing high-level phenomena, with enormous apparent complexity



# Emergentism



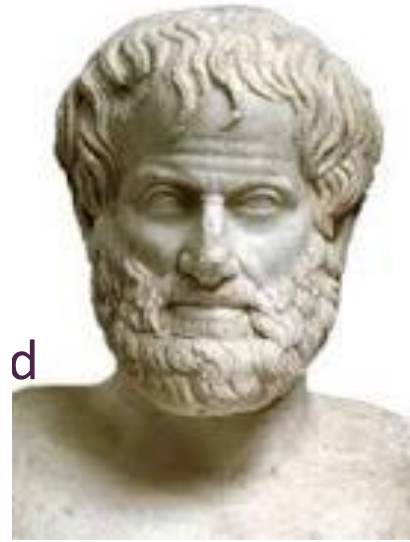
- One might define emergent phenomena as those features of Nature which don't readily admit explanation solely in terms of known or conjectured rules.
- The concept is at least as old as Aristotle (384-322 BC), who argued that a compound item can have (emergent) properties in the whole which are not explicable merely through the independent actions of the item's constituent parts.
- Aristotle's view is often represented by the statement:  
“The whole is more than the sum of its parts”.
- In this sense, *emergence* has its origins in the Greek “sunergos”: “together” plus “working” = origin of our concept of synergy (协同效应), viz. things working together more effectively than could be anticipated from their independent actions in isolation.
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How does simplicity beget elegant complexity  
in the emergence

of the most fundamental structures in Nature?



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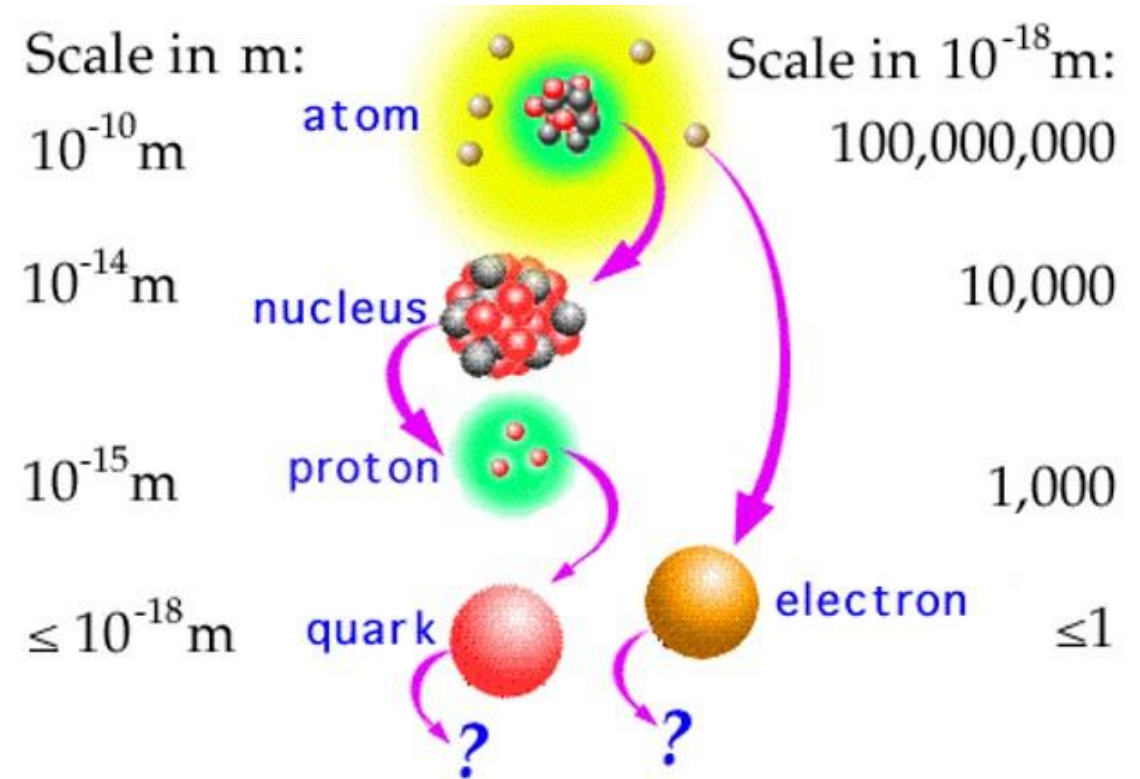
# Three Great Unifications

- ✓ “First Great Unification” – Isaac Newton – 350 years ago
  - ✓ Universal Law of Gravitation
  - ✓ Unified the understandings of the observable phenomena of gravity on Earth with the observable behaviour of celestial bodies in space
- ✓ “Second Great Unification” – 155 years ago – James Clerk Maxwell
  - ✓ Formulated the classical theory of electromagnetic radiation, unifying electricity + magnetism + light as different manifestations of the same phenomenon.



# Great Unifications

- ✓ “Third Great Unification” – Standard Model of Particle Physics
- ✓ 1967 – S. Weinberg “A Model of Leptons”
  - ~ 13,800 citations
- ✓ “The most successful theory ever conceived ...”
  - ✓ All particles predicted to exist have been found.
  - ✓ The masses of those particles lie within 1% of the theoretical values anticipated by the model.
  - ✓ 55 Nobel Prizes awarded for key developments and discoveries
- ✓ Description of all known fundamental physics except for gravity, and gravity is something that has no detectable effect when particles are studied a few at a time.

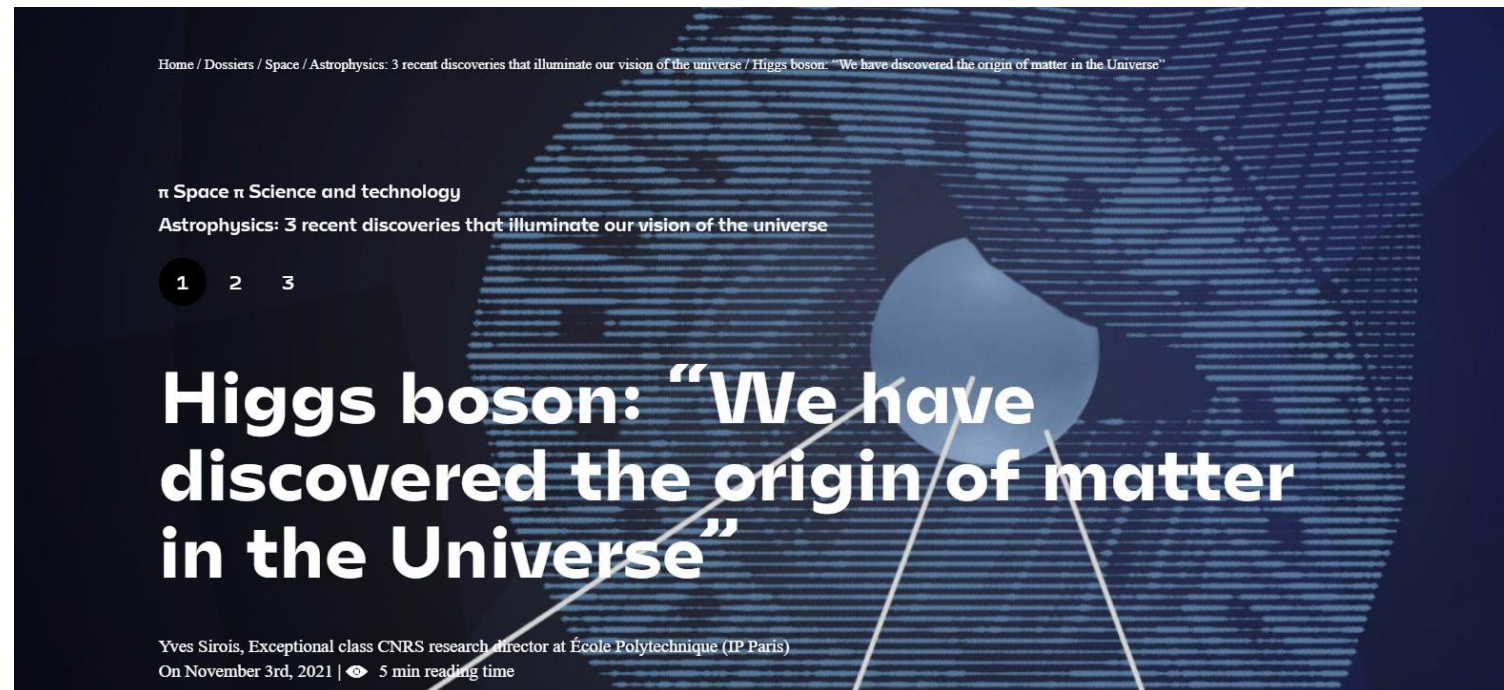




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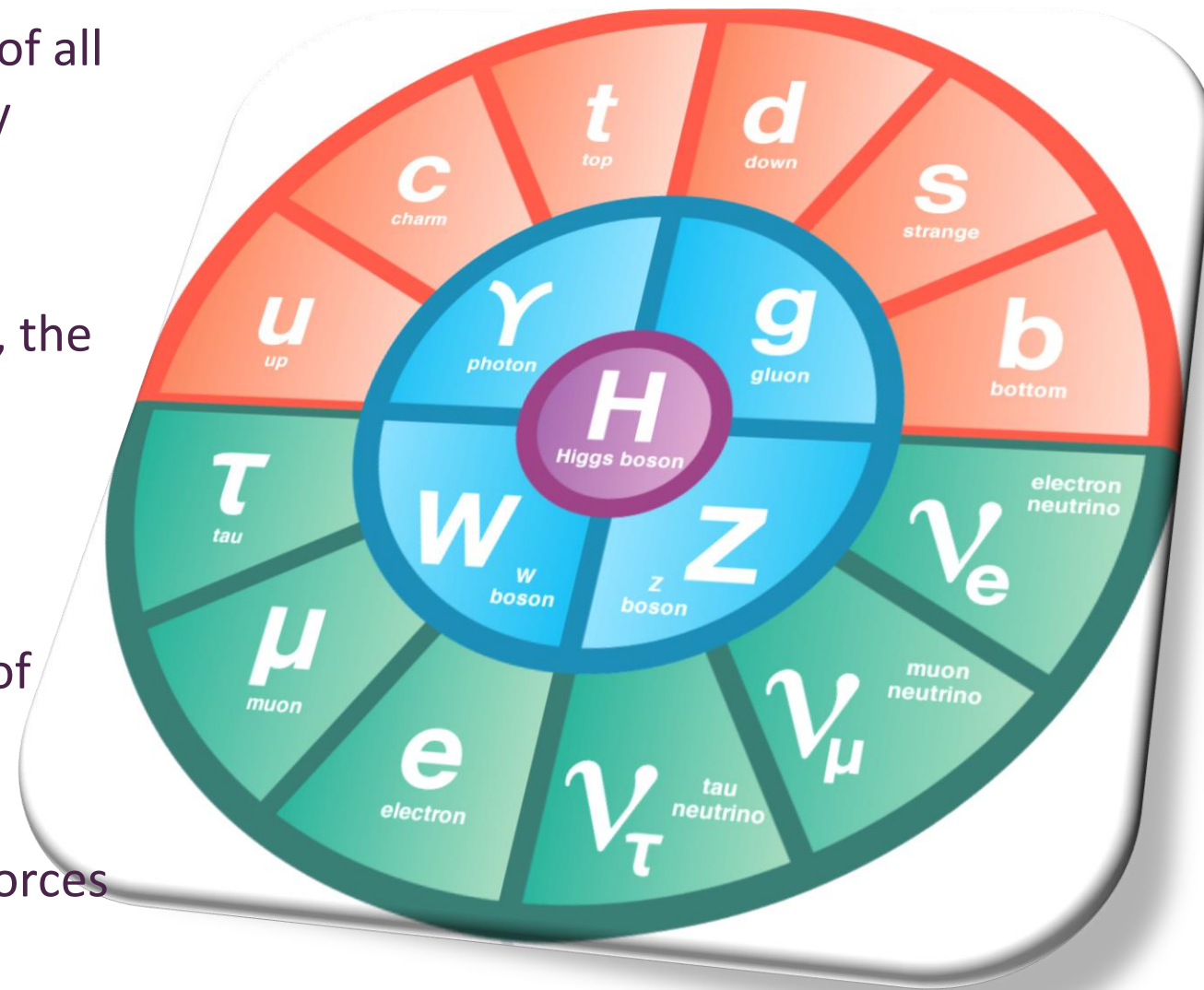
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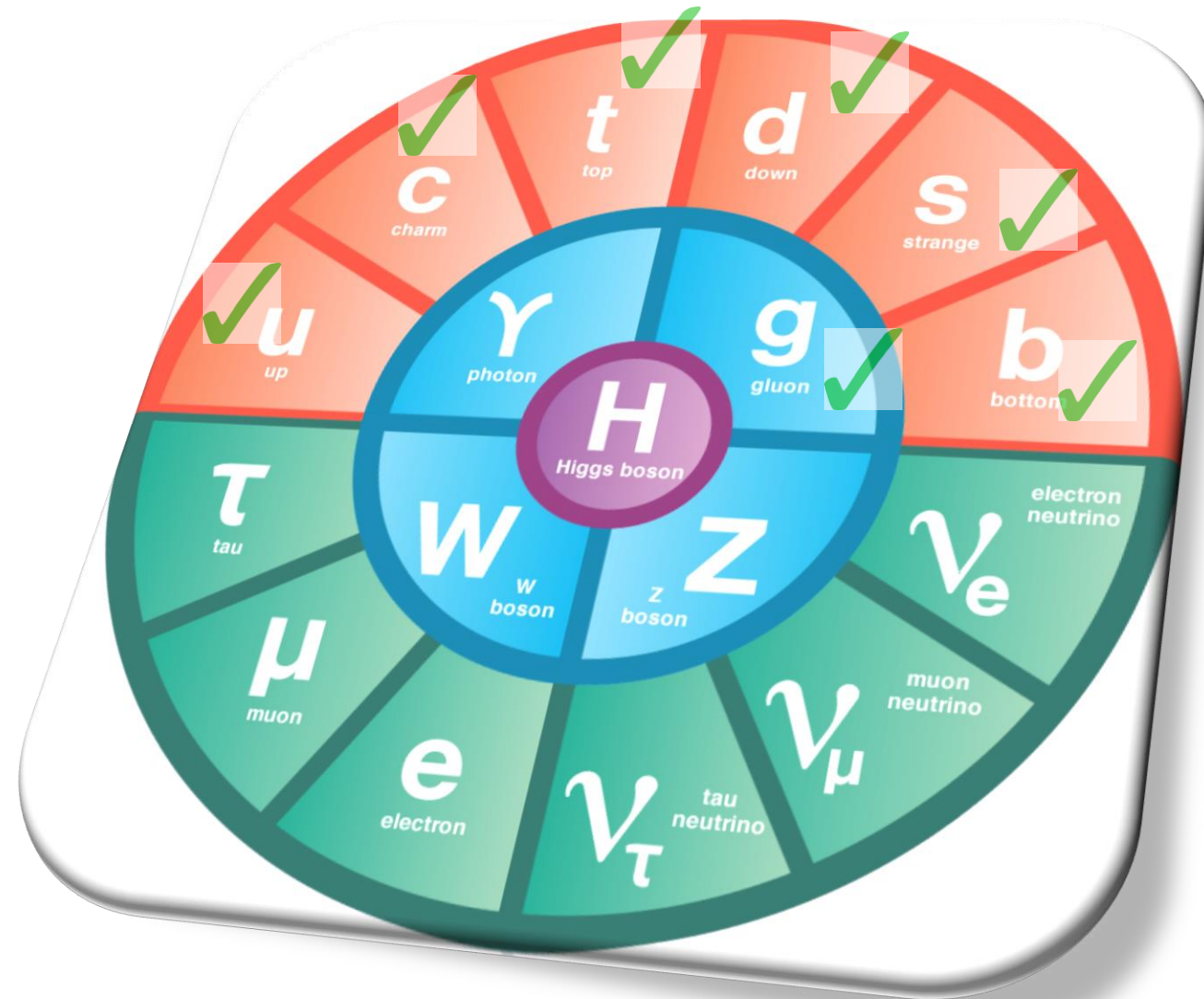
- Standard Model (SM) offers a description of all known fundamental physics except gravity
- Gravity has no discernible effect when particles are studied a few at a time.
- Since LHC's discovery of the Higgs in 2012, the Higgs Boson has been promoted to the *Centre of Things*
- Standard Model has **17 particles and 19 parameters**, most of which relate to the Higgs and all of which must be determined through comparison with experiment
- SM supposedly describes most powerful forces in Nature
- Yet, somewhat unsatisfactory





# Standard Model of Particle Physics

- Strong Interactions in the Standard Model are supposed to be described by quantum chromodynamics (QCD)
- Only two parameters are intrinsic to QCD
  - Higgs enters through current-quark masses
- One of them –  $\theta_{QCD}$  – appears to be zero (exactly or almost) ... know this because nucleon EDM is (as yet) unmeasurably small
- Just one parameter remains to be fixed
- Perhaps science has a chance of understanding QCD  $\in$  SM?







# ***Strong Interactions in the Standard Model***

## THE DILEMMA OF ATTRIBUTION

Nobel Lecture, December 8, 2004

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- The establishment by the mid-1970's of QCD as the correct theory of the strong interactions completed what is now known prosaically as the Standard Model.
- It offers a description of all known fundamental physics except for gravity, and gravity is something that has no discernible effect when particles are studied a few at a time.
- However, the situation is a bit like the way that the Navier-Stokes equation accounts for the flow of water. The equations are at some level obviously correct, but there are only a few, limited circumstances in which their consequences can be worked out in any detail.
- Nevertheless, many leading physicists were inclined to conclude in the late 1970's that the task of basic physics was nearly complete, and we'd soon be out of jobs.
- A famous example was the inaugural lecture of Stephen Hawking as Lucasian Professor of Mathematics, a chair first held by Isaac Barrow at Cambridge University. Hawking titled his lecture, "Is the End in Sight for Theoretical Physics?" And he argued strongly for "Yes".

# Emergence of Hadron Mass

- Standard Model of Particle Physics has one (widely) *known* mass-generating mechanism = **Higgs Boson** ... impacts are critical to evolution of Universe as we know it
- However, Higgs boson is alone responsible for just  $\sim 1\%$  of the visible mass in the Universe

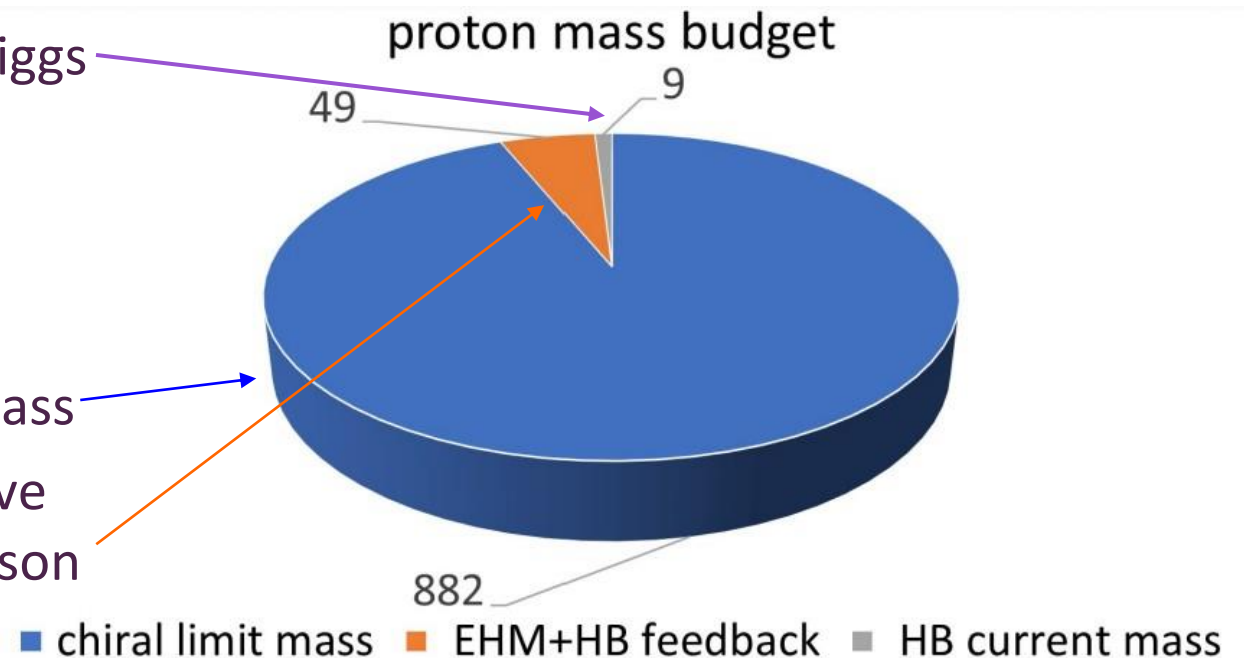
## ➤ Proton mass budget

Only 9 MeV/939 MeV is directly from Higgs

- Evidently, Nature has another, *very effective* mechanism for producing mass:

## Emergent Hadron Mass (EHM)

- ✓ Alone, it produces **94%** of the proton's mass
- ✓ Remaining **5%** is generated by constructive interference between EHM and Higgs-boson



# Emergence of Hadron Mass - Basic Questions

- What is the origin of EHM?
- Does it lie within the Standard Model, i.e., within QCD
- What are the connections with ...
  - Gluon and quark confinement?
  - Dynamical chiral symmetry breaking (DCSB)?
  - Nambu-Goldstone modes =  $\pi$  & K?
- What is the role of Higgs in modulating observable properties of hadrons?
  - Critically, without Higgs mechanism of mass generation,  $\pi$  and K would be indistinguishable
- Whence mass?

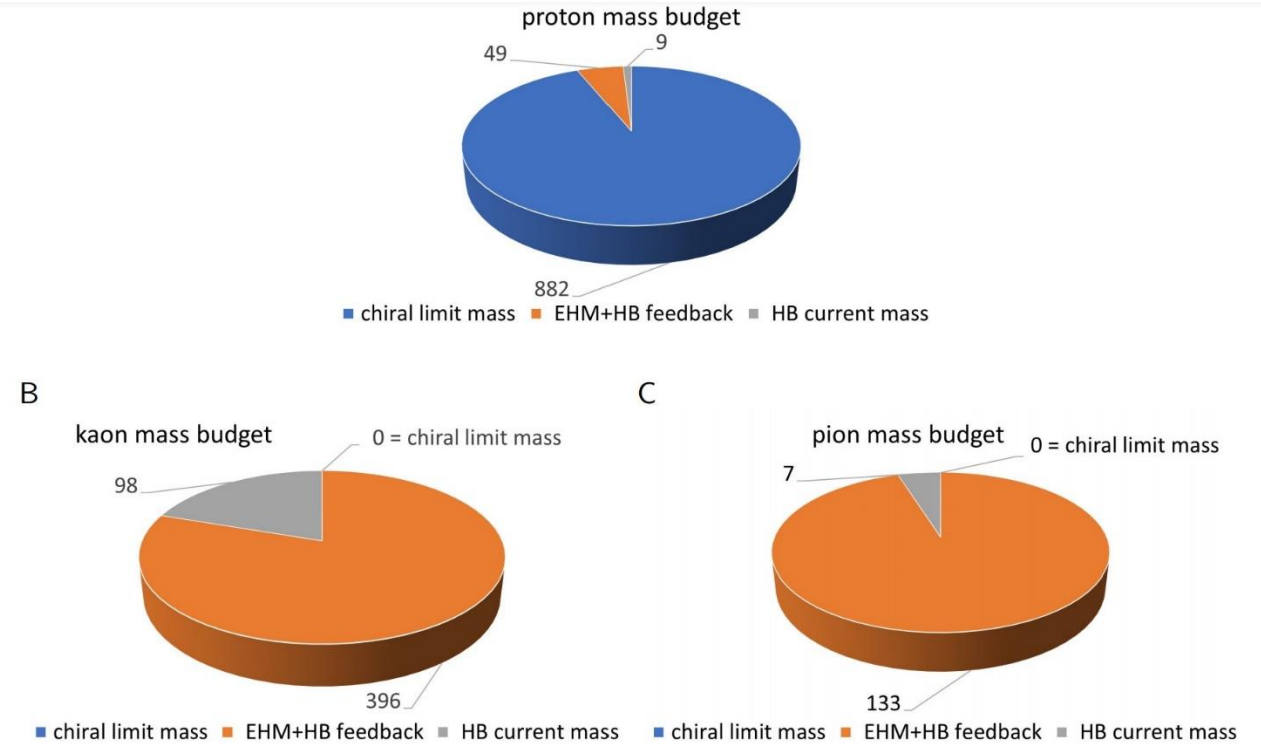


FIG. 1.1. Mass budgets for A – proton, B – kaon and C – pion, drawn using a Poincaré invariant decomposition. There are crucial differences. The proton’s mass is large in the chiral limit, *i.e.* even in the absence of Higgs couplings into QCD. This nonzero chiral-limit component is an expression of emergent hadronic mass (EHM) in the SM. Conversely and yet still owing to EHM via its dynamical chiral symmetry breaking (DCSB) corollary, the kaon and pion are massless in the chiral limit – they are the SM’s Nambu-Goldstone modes [24–27]. (See Eq. (2.22) below.) (Units MeV, separation at  $\zeta = 2$  GeV, produced using information from Refs. [8, 21–23].)

# Visible Mass

- More than 98% of visible mass is contained within nuclei.
- First approximation:
  - atomic weights = sum of the masses of all the nucleons they contain.
- Each nucleon has a mass  $m_N \sim 1 \text{ GeV} \approx 2000 m_e$
- Higgs boson produces  $m_e$ , but what produces  $m_N = \text{remaining } 1999 m_e$ ?
- This question is basic to the whole of modern physics

**–How can science explain the emergence of hadron mass (EHM)?**

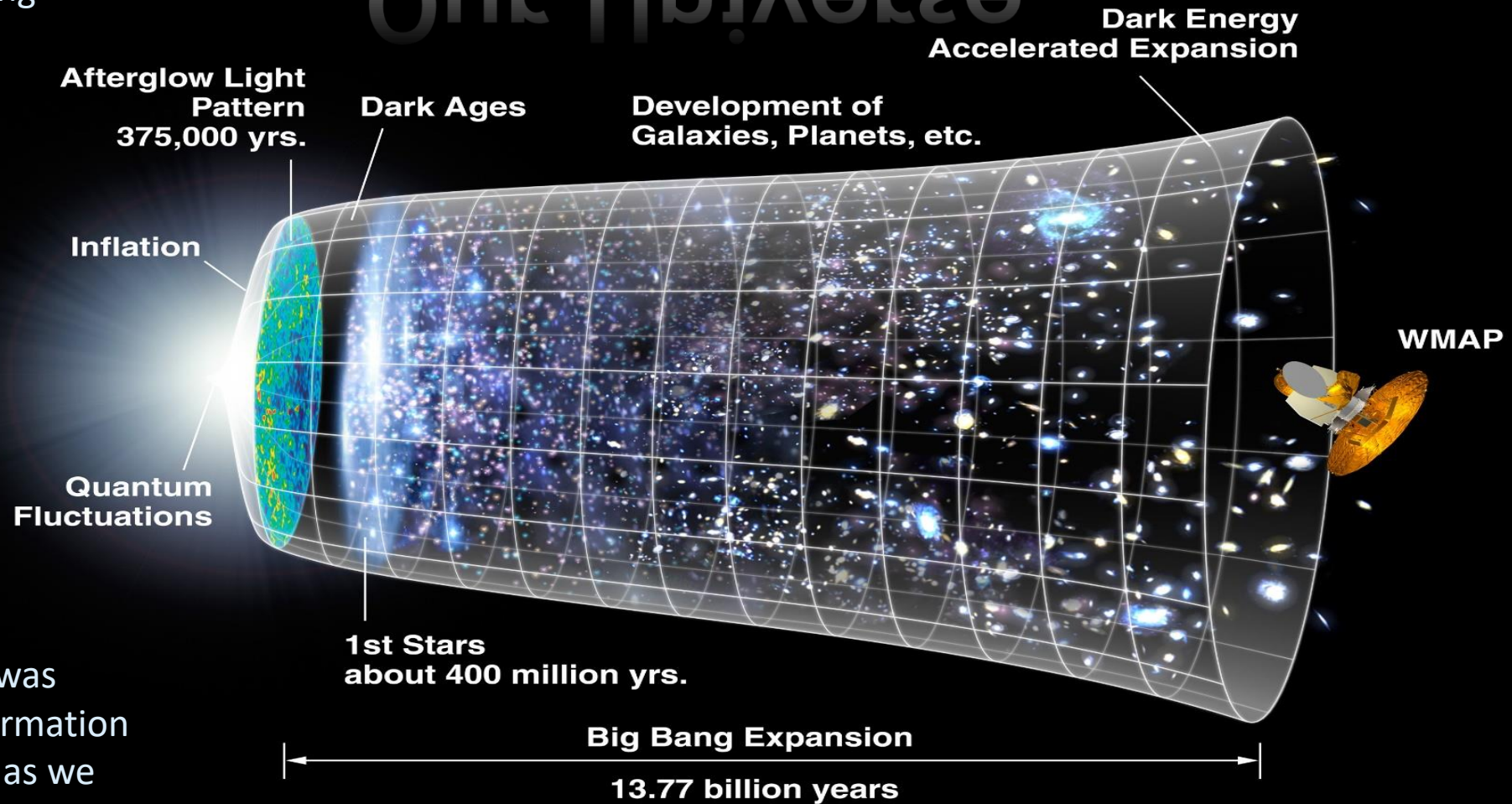




*Origin of Mass:  
The Frontier of Physics*

Mass originated  
0.000001 second  
after the Big Bang

# Our Universe



Its appearance was  
crucial to the formation  
of the Universe as we  
know it

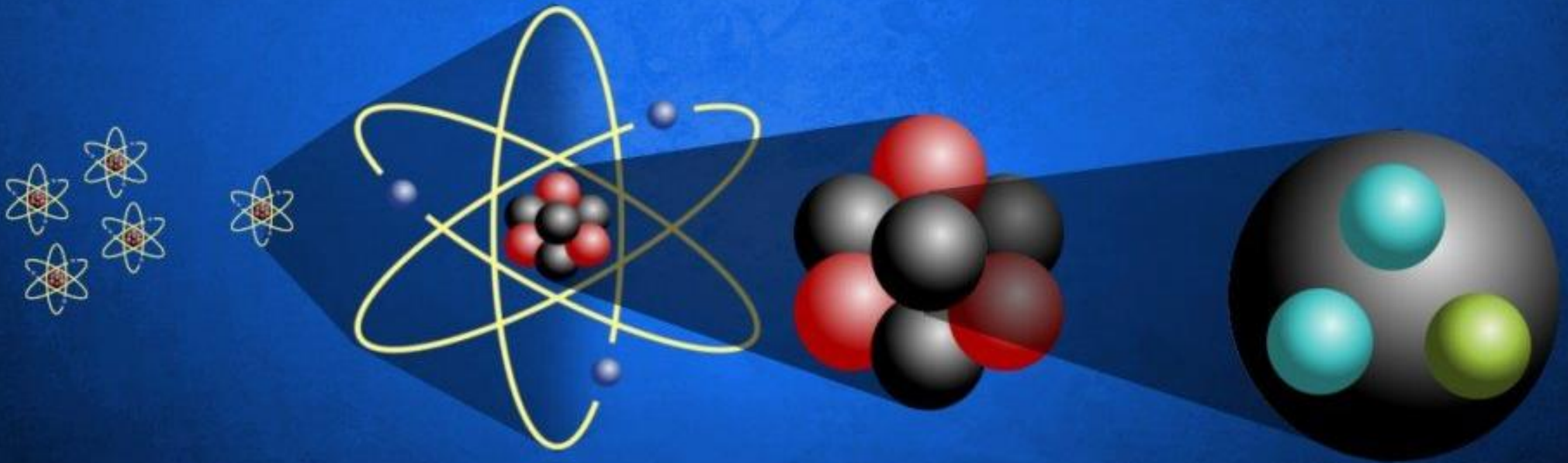
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- The most important chapter of the Standard Model is the least understood.
- Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD) is supposed to describe all nuclear physics
  - Matter = quarks
  - Gauge bosons = gluons
- Yet, fifty years after discovery of quarks, we are only just beginning to understand how QCD moulds the basic elements of nuclei:
  - pions, neutrons, protons, etc.
- And there are controversies – as theory begins to predict quantities that hitherto were only inferred from measurements via phenomenological fits



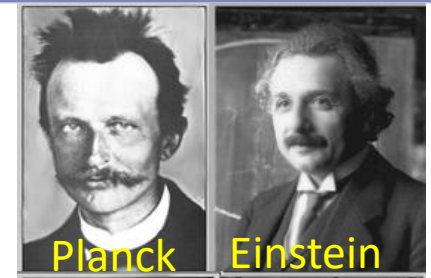
# Quarks? What are quarks?



And what are the gluons that bind them together inside the proton?

# Revolutions in the Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century

- Quantum Mechanics & Special Relativity
  - Unification encountered many problems
- Nonrelativistically, all particles have mass
  - But masslessness is possible in relativistic theories – Einstein's photon
- Antimatter is predicted by relativistic quantum mechanics – Dirac Equation
  - Antimatter = negative-energy matter ... so, for any given system
    - It costs ZERO energy to create a virtual matter+antimatter pair
    - or 10 such pairs, or 100 pairs, ... or infinitely many!
- Quantum mechanics is exactly solvable theory when number of particles is finite (  $\sim 14$ , with today's computers and realistic Hamiltonians)
- Quantum mechanics is unsolvable when there are infinitely many particles
- **Relativistic quantum mechanics requires existence of massless particles & antimatter but existence of either destroys relativistic quantum mechanics!**





# Solving the Problem with Antimatter

- There is only one way known to combine quantum mechanics and special relativity

## *Relativistic Quantum Field Theory*

- 1<sup>st</sup> example: *Electromagnetism*

- Quantum electrodynamics (QED), 1946-1950
- Feynman, Schwinger, Tomonaga
  - Nobel Prize (1965):

*"for their fundamental work in quantum electrodynamics, with deep-ploughing consequences for the physics of elementary particles".*



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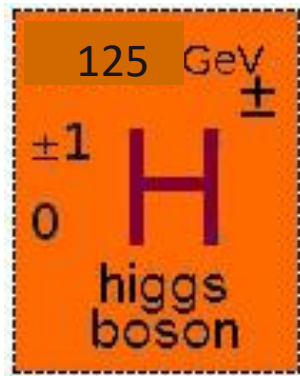
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- 2<sup>nd</sup> example: Weak interaction
  - Radioactive decays, parity-violating decays, electron-neutrino scattering
  - Glashow, Salam, Weinberg - 1963-1973



- Nobel Prize (1979):
  - *"for their contributions to the theory of the unified weak and electromagnetic interaction between elementary particles, including, inter alia, the prediction of the weak neutral current"*.



# Solving the Problem with Antimatter

## ➤ 3<sup>rd</sup> example:

Strong interaction ... all of nuclear physics and anything made from nuclei = basically everything that we can see and/or touch

– Existence and composition of the vast bulk of visible matter in the Universe:

- proton, neutron
- the forces that form them and bind them into nuclei
- responsible for more than 98% of the visible matter in the Universe

– Politzer, Gross and Wilczek – 1973-1974

Quantum Chromodynamics – QCD

- Nobel Prize (2004):

*"for the discovery of asymptotic freedom in the theory of the strong interaction".*

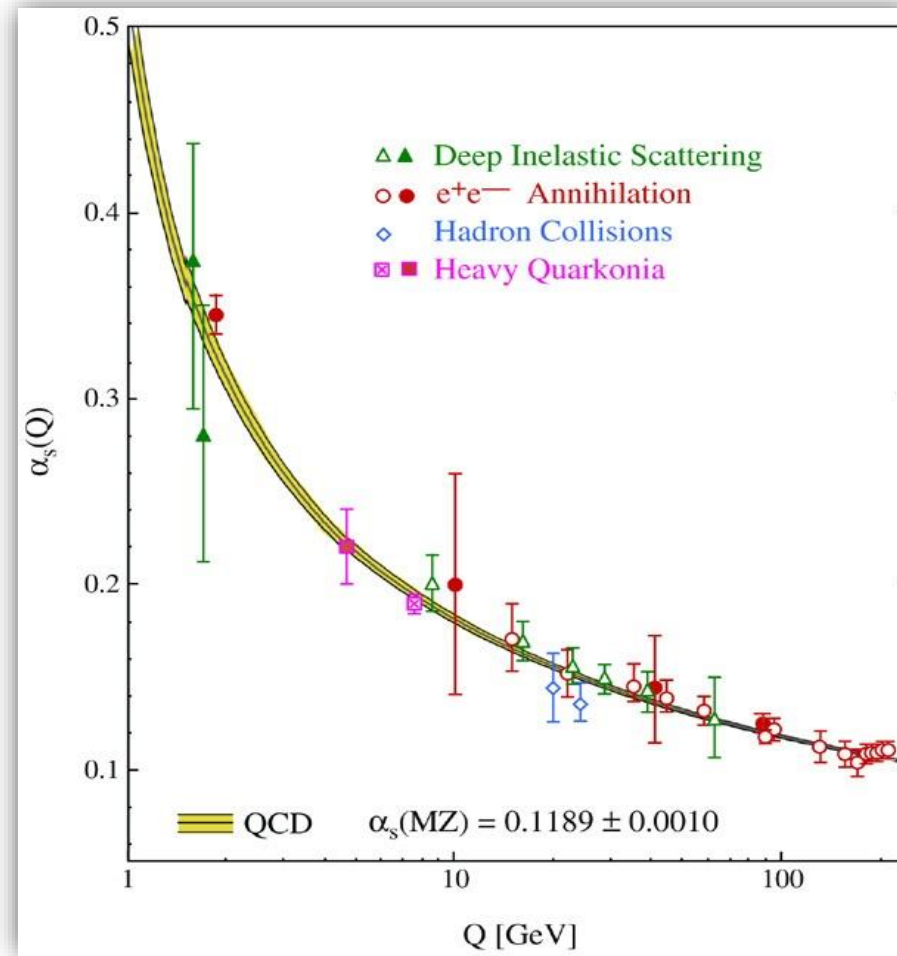




This is where we live



What's happening out here?!



Asymptotic Freedom  
*Interaction becomes weaker as energy grows (charges get closer together)*

# QCD's Running Coupling



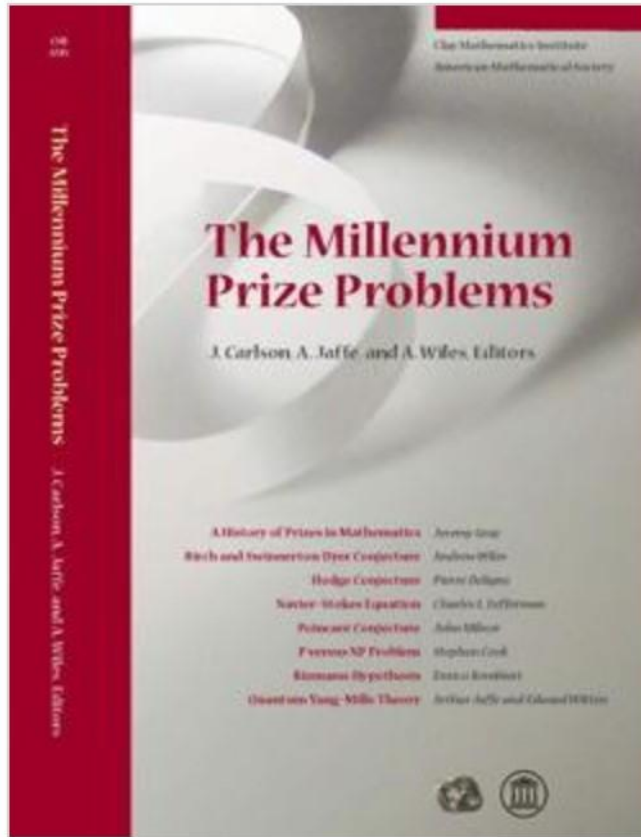
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One line  
Describes all properties of  
the bulk of visible matter

HOW?

# The Millennium Prize Problems



On August 8, 1900, at the second International Congress of Mathematicians in Paris, David Hilbert delivered the famous lecture in which he described twenty-three problems that were to play an influential role in future mathematical research. A century later, on May 24, 2000, at a meeting at the Collège de France, the Clay Mathematics Institute announced the creation of a US\$7 million prize fund for the solution of seven important classic problems that have resisted solution. The prize fund is divided equally among the seven problems. There is no time limit for their solution.

The Millennium Prize Problems were selected by the founding Scientific Advisory Board of CMI, Alain Connes, Arthur Jaffe, Andrew Wiles, and Edward Witten, after consultation with other leading mathematicians. Their aim was somewhat different than that of Hilbert: not to define new challenges, but to record some of the most difficult issues with which mathematicians were struggling at the turn of the second millennium; to recognize achievement in mathematics of historical dimension; to elevate in the consciousness of the general public the fact that in mathematics the frontier is still open and abounds in important unsolved problems; and to emphasize the importance of working toward a solution of the deepest, most difficult problems.

The Millennium Prize Problems gives the official description of each of the seven problems and the rules governing the prizes. It also contains an essay by Jeremy Gray on the history of prize problems in mathematics.

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## 10 Physics Questions to Ponder for a Millennium or Two

By George Johnson  
Published: August 15, 2000

➤ **Can we quantitatively understand quark and gluon confinement in quantum chromodynamics and the existence of a mass gap?**

Quantum chromodynamics is the theory describing the strong nuclear force. Carried by gluons, it binds quarks into particles like protons and neutrons. Apparently, the tiny subparticles are permanently confined: one can't pull a quark or a gluon from a proton because the strong force gets stronger with distance and snaps them right back inside.





Millennium prize of \$1,000,000 for proving that  $SU_3$  gauge theory is mathematically well-defined, which will necessarily prove or disprove a confinement conjecture

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- One-line Lagrangian – expressed in terms of gluon and quark partons
- Which are NOT the degrees-of-freedom measured in detectors

## Questions

- What are the (asymptotic) detectable degrees-of-freedom?
- How are they built from the Lagrangian degrees-of-freedom?
- Is QCD really the theory of strong interactions?
- Is QCD really a theory?  $\Rightarrow$  Implications far beyond Standard Model

# Quantum Chromodynamics

- QCD is the first place that humankind has fully experienced the collision between quantum mechanics and special relativity
- In attempting to match QCD with Nature, we confront the innumerable complexities of nonperturbative, nonlinear dynamics in relativistic quantum field theory, *e.g.*
  - the loss of particle number conservation
  - the frame and scale dependence of the explanations and interpretations of observable processes
  - and the evolving character of the relevant degrees-of-freedom
- Electroweak theory and phenomena are essentially perturbative, possessing none of this complexity

# Strong Interactions in the Standard Model

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \bar{\psi}_i (i(\gamma^\mu D_\mu)_{ij} - m \delta_{ij}) \psi_j - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu}$$

- Only apparent scale in chromodynamics is mass of the quark field
- Quark mass is said to be generated by Higgs boson.
- In connection with everyday matter, that mass is less-than 0.5% of the empirical scale for strong interactions,  
*viz.* more-than two orders-of-magnitude smaller
- Plainly, the Higgs-generated mass is very far removed from the natural scale for strongly-interacting matter
- *Nuclear physics mass-scale* – 1 GeV – is an *emergent feature of the Standard Model*
  - No amount of staring at  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}$  can reveal that scale
- Contrast with quantum electrodynamics, *e.g.* spectrum of hydrogen levels measured in units of  $m_e$ , which appears in  $L_{\text{QED}}$



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## Whence Mass?

- Classical chromodynamics ... non-Abelian local gauge theory
- Remove the current mass ... there's no energy scale left
- *No dynamics in a scale-invariant theory*; only kinematics ... the theory looks the same at all length-scales ... there can be no clumps of anything ... *hence bound-states are impossible*.
- *Our Universe can't exist*
- *Higgs boson doesn't solve this problem* ...
  - normal matter is constituted from light-quarks
  - the mass of protons and neutrons, the kernels of all visible matter, are 100-times larger than anything the Higgs can produce
- *Where did it all begin? ... becomes ... Where did it all come from?*



All mass is interaction.

— *Richard P. Feynman* —



$$T_{\mu\mu} = \frac{1}{4} \beta(\alpha(\zeta)) G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

## Trace Anomaly

- In a **scale invariant theory**  
the *energy-momentum tensor must be traceless*:  $T_{\mu\mu} \equiv 0$
- Regularisation and renormalisation of (ultraviolet) divergences in Quantum Chromodynamics introduces a mass-scale  
... *dimensional transmutation*:  
Lagrangian's *constants* (couplings and masses) become dependent on a mass-scale,  $\zeta$
- $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha(\zeta)$  in QCD's (massless) Lagrangian density,  $\mathcal{L}(m=0)$   
 $\Rightarrow \partial_\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu = \delta\mathcal{L}/\delta\sigma = \alpha\beta(\alpha) d\mathcal{L}/d\alpha = \beta(\alpha) \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a = T_{\rho\rho} =: \Theta_0$  *Trace anomaly*

QCD  $\beta$  function ... specifies how the coupling "runs"

**Quantisation of renormalisable four-dimensional theory forces nonzero value for trace of energy-momentum tensor**

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# Trace Anomaly

- Knowing that a trace anomaly exists does not deliver a great deal  
... Indicates only that a mass-scale must exist
- Key Question: Can one compute and/or understand the magnitude of that scale?
- One can certainly *measure* the magnitude ... consider proton:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle p(P) | T_{\mu\nu} | p(P) \rangle &= -P_\mu P_\nu \\ \langle p(P) | T_{\mu\mu} | p(P) \rangle &= -P^2 = m_p^2 \\ &= \langle p(P) | \Theta_0 | p(P) \rangle\end{aligned}$$

- In the chiral limit the entirety of the proton's mass is produced by the trace anomaly,  $\Theta_0$   
... In QCD,  $\Theta_0$  measures the strength of gluon self-interactions  
... so, from one perspective,  
 $m_p$  is (somehow) completely generated by glue.

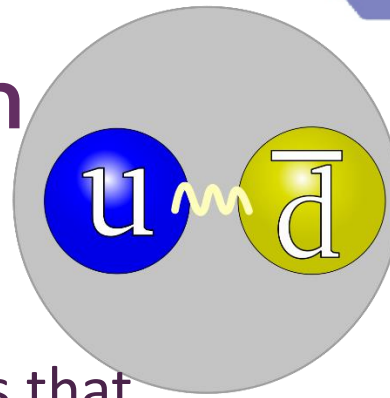
*The mass of visible matter is almost entirely produced by massless non-matter fields*



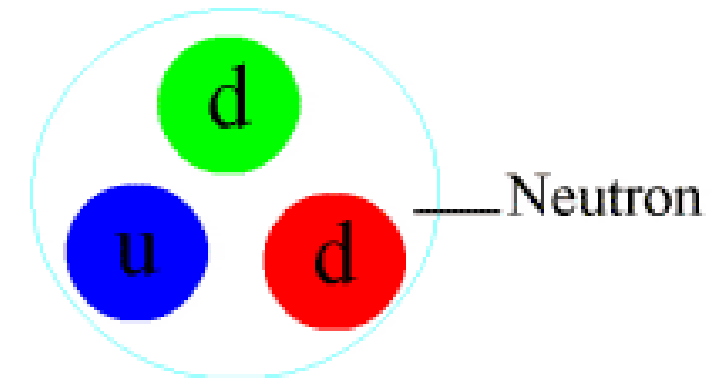
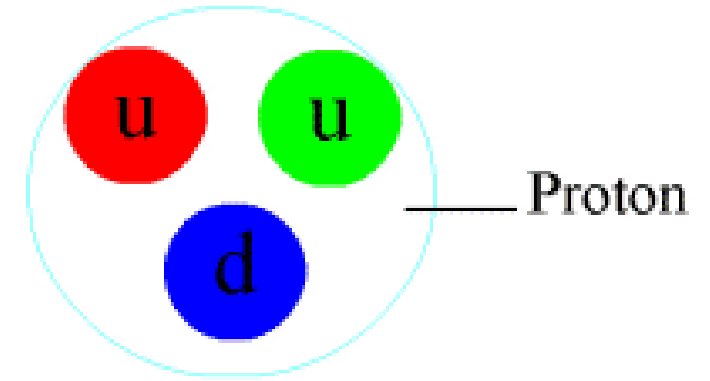


On the other hand ...

# Pion



- The pion is another one of the hadrons that was discovered as the standard model was being built
- Predicted by Yukawa in 1935
  - It had to exist, otherwise there was nothing that could hold neutrons and protons together inside a nucleus
- The pion, too, is crucial.
- It MUST be unnaturally light, otherwise the force it produces would act over a range that is too short to be useful in binding nuclei



$$T_{\mu\mu} = \frac{1}{4}\beta(\alpha(\zeta))G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

## Trace Anomaly

- In the chiral limit, pion is massless Nambu-Goldstone boson:

$$\langle \pi(q) | T_{\mu\nu} | \pi(q) \rangle = -q_\mu q_\nu \Rightarrow \langle \pi(q) | \Theta_0 | \pi(q) \rangle = 0$$

- **Does this mean** that the scale anomaly vanishes trivially in the pion state, *i.e.* **gluons contribute nothing to the pion mass?**
- Difficult way to obtain “zero”!
- Easier to imagine that “zero” owes to cancellations between different operator contributions to the expectation value of  $\Theta_0$ .
- Of course, such precise cancellation should not be an accident.  
It could only arise naturally because  
of some symmetry and/or symmetry-breaking pattern.

# Whence “1” and yet “0” ?

$$\langle p(P) | \Theta_0 | p(P) \rangle = m_p^2, \quad \langle \pi(q) | \Theta_0 | \pi(q) \rangle = 0$$

➤ *No statement of the question*

*“How does the mass of the proton arise?”  
is complete without the additional clause*

*“How does the pion remain **massless**?”*

- Natural visible-matter mass-scale must emerge simultaneously with apparent preservation of scale invariance in related systems
- Expectation value of  $\Theta_0$  in pion is always zero,  
irrespective of the size of the natural mass-scale for strong interactions =  $m_p$



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➤ **Modern Physics must  
Elucidate the entire array of Empirical Consequences  
of the Mechanism responsible  
so that the Standard Model can be Validated**





All mass is interaction.

— *Richard P. Feynman* —

In QCD, so is the absence of mass



# GENESIS





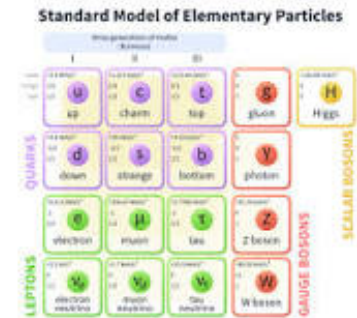
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In particle physics, a **gauge boson** is a force carrier, a bosonic particle that carries any of the fundamental interactions of nature, commonly called forces. Elementary particles, whose interactions are described by a **gauge theory**, interact with each other by the exchange of **gauge bosons**—usually as virtual particles.



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## Do gluons have mass?

So far **gluons** appear massless, and if they **have mass** this would mean there is some sort of symmetry breaking or Higgs mechanism involved with QCD. So far there is no evidence of this, and theory **does** not make predictions of **gluon masses**. May 29, 2016

Every one of these assertions is wrong

$g$   
or gluon

$$I(J^P) = 0(1^-)$$

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Mass  $m = 0$ . Theoretical value. A mass as large as a few MeV may not be precluded, see YNDURAIN 95.

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$$\Delta_{\mu\nu}^{-1}(q) = \underbrace{\left[ \text{Diagram (a)} + \text{Diagram (b)} + \text{Diagram (c)} + \text{Diagram (d)} + \text{Diagram (e)} \right]}_{\Pi_{\mu\nu}(q)}$$

$\Pi_{\mu\nu}(q) = P_{\mu\nu}(q)\Pi(q)$   
 $P_{\mu\nu}(q) = g_{\mu\nu} - q_\mu q_\nu / q^2$

*Gluon self interactions modify the propagation characteristics of the gluon partons that define QCD.*

*They produce dressed gluons with a mathematical connection to the gluon partons, but with wildly different properties.*

# Gluon Dyson/Gap Equation

# Modern Understanding Grew Slowly from *Ancient* Origins

➤ More than 40 years ago

*Dynamical mass generation in continuum quantum chromodynamics,*  
J.M. Cornwall, Phys. Rev. D **26** (1981) 1453 ... ~ 1070 citations

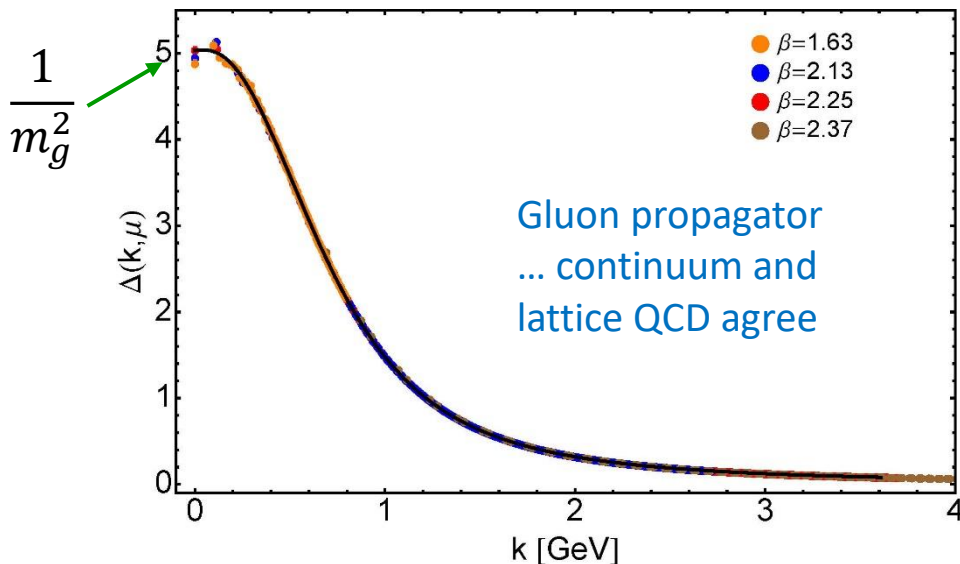
➤ Owing to strong self-interactions, gluon partons  $\Rightarrow$  gluon quasiparticles,  
described by a mass function that is large at infrared momenta



3-gluon vertex



4-gluon vertex



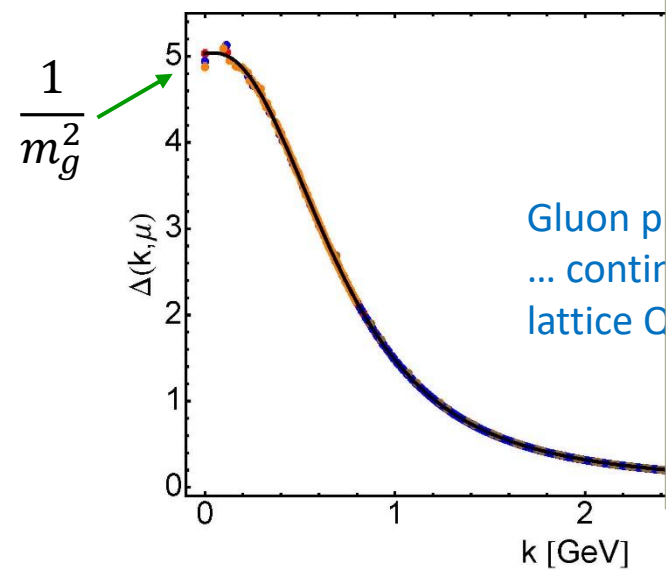
Truly mass from nothing  
*An interacting theory, written in  
terms of massless gluon fields,  
produces dressed gluon fields that  
are characterised by a mass function  
that is large at infrared momenta*

- ✓ QCD fact
- ✓ Continuum theory and  
lattice simulations agree
- ✓ Empirical verification?

# Modern Understanding Grew Slowly from @ Origins

**EHM**  
**means**  
**Gluons are**  
**massive**

- More than 40 years  
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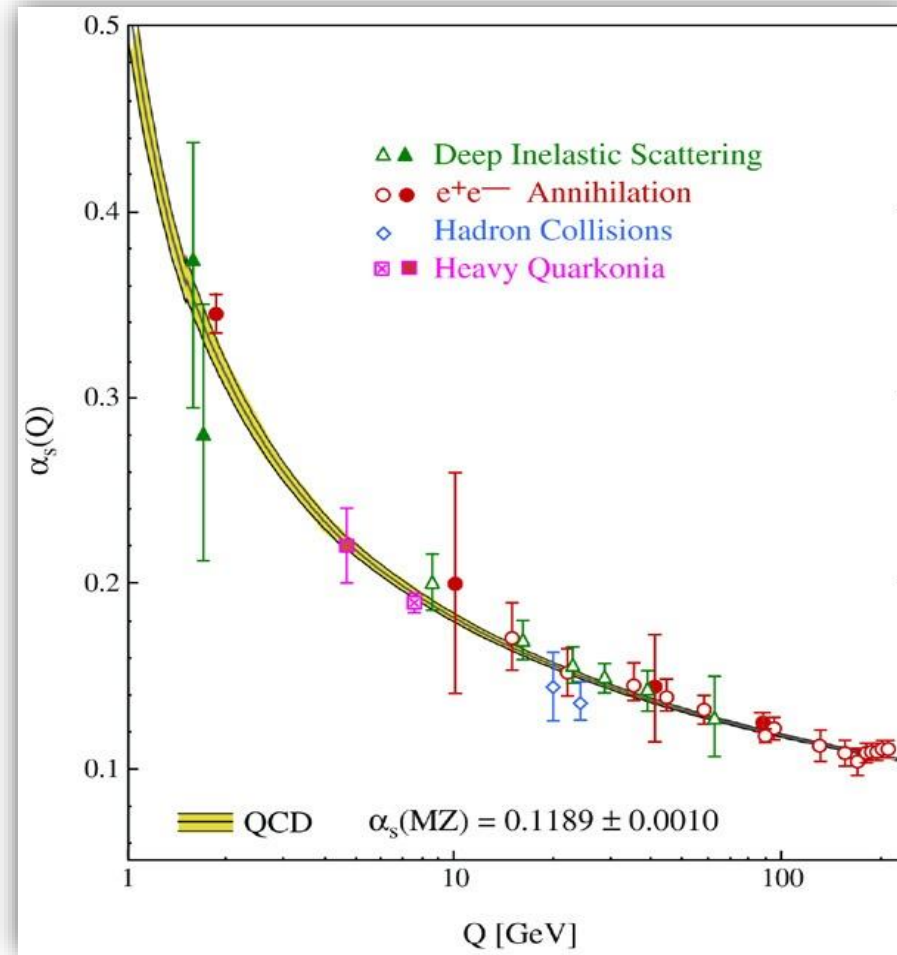
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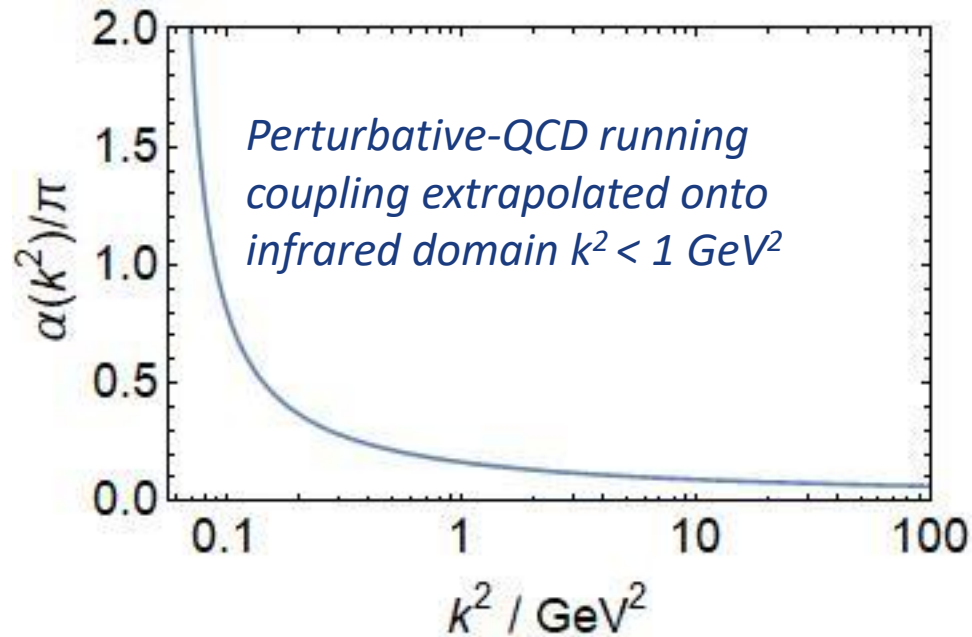


Asymptotic Freedom  
*Interaction becomes weaker as energy grows (charges get closer together)*

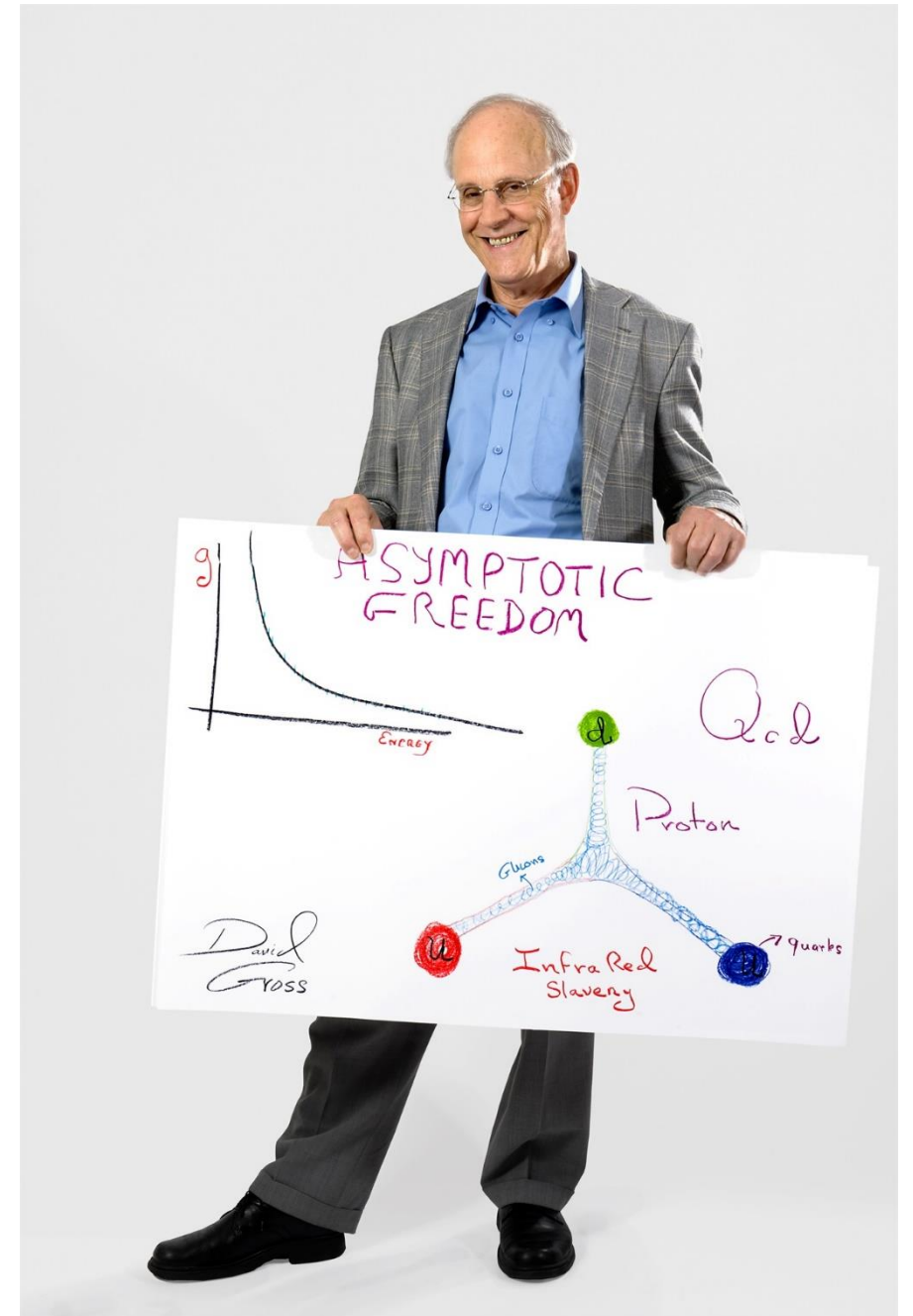
# QCD's Running Coupling



# “Asymptotic freedom comes with a flip side”



- “Imaginatively called infrared slavery”
- Coupling runs to infinity as  $k^2$  runs to zero
- Many people interpret this as being synonymous with confinement
- Is this correct?

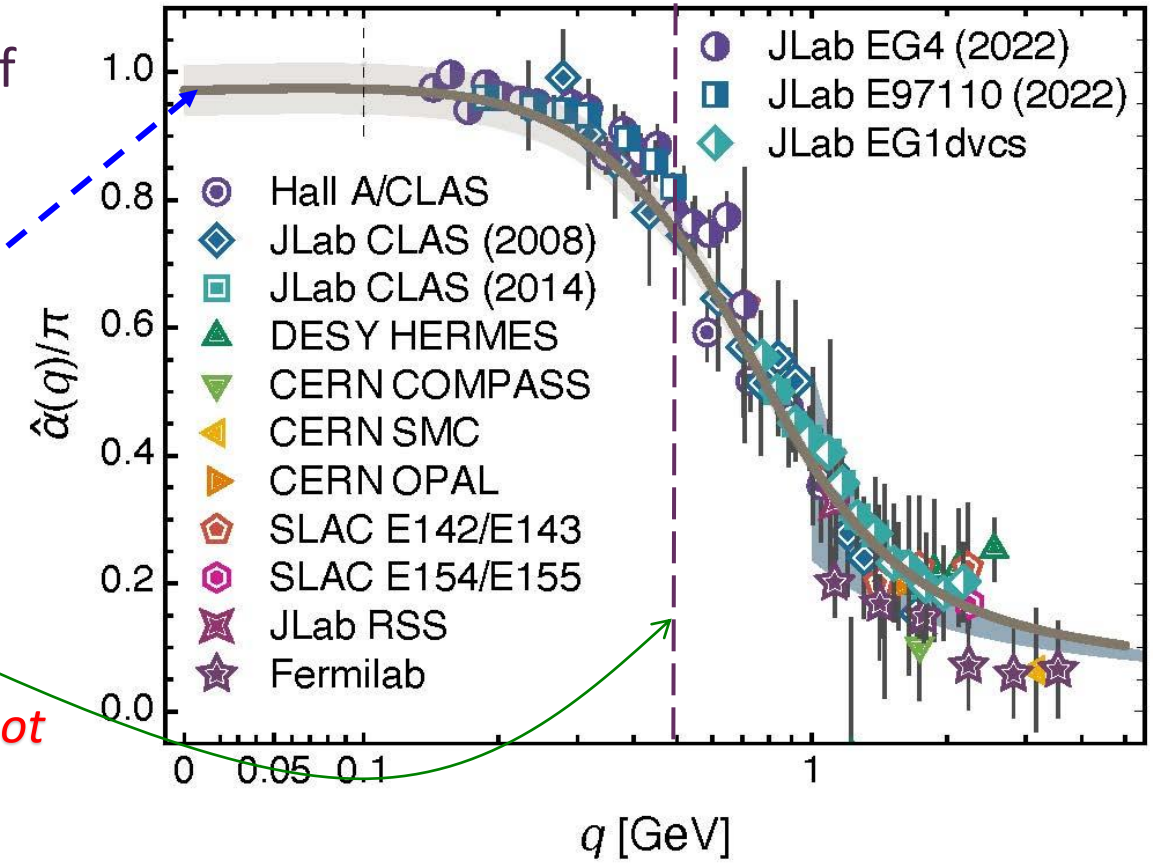


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# Process independent effective charge = running coupling

- Modern theory enables unique QCD analogue of “Gell-Mann – Low” running charge to be rigorously defined and calculated
- Analysis of QCD’s gauge sector yields a *parameter-free prediction*
- N.B. Qualitative change in  $\hat{\alpha}_{p_l}(k)$  at  $k \approx \frac{1}{2} m_p$
- No Landau Pole
  - “Infrared Slavery” picture – linear potential – is not correct explanation of confinement
- Below  $k \sim \hat{m}_0$ , interactions become scale independent, just as they were in the Lagrangian; so, QCD becomes practically conformal again



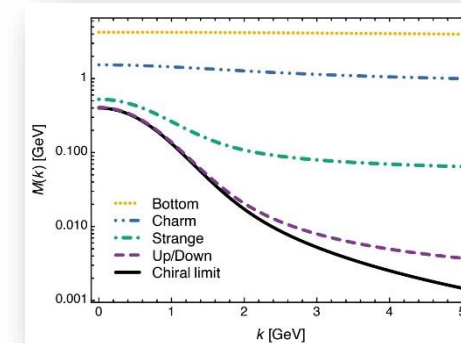
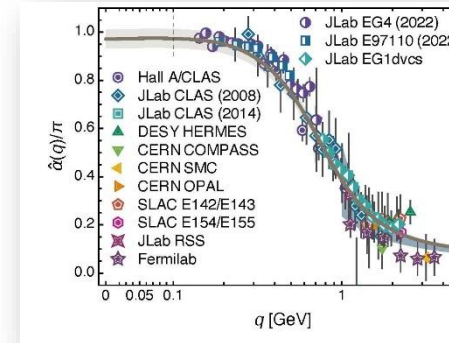
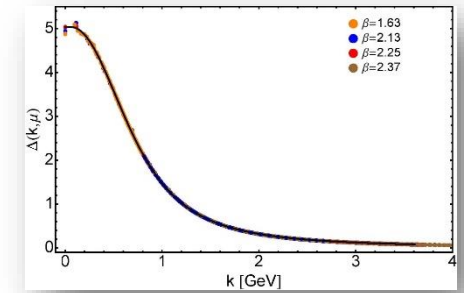
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# EHM Basics

- Absent Higgs boson couplings, the Lagrangian of QCD is scale invariant
- Yet ...
  - Massless gluons become massive
  - A momentum-dependent charge is produced
  - Massless quarks become massive
- EHM is expressed in EVERY strong interaction observable
- Challenge to Theory = Elucidate all observable consequences of these phenomena and highlight the paths to measuring them
- Challenge to Experiment = Test the theory predictions so that the boundaries of the Standard Model can finally be drawn

## THREE PILLARS OF EHM



JLab Beam Energy (GeV)	Fraction EHM mapped (%)
6	$\approx 35$
12	$\approx 50$
22	$\approx 90$



# Focus of experiments at New Generation Facilities

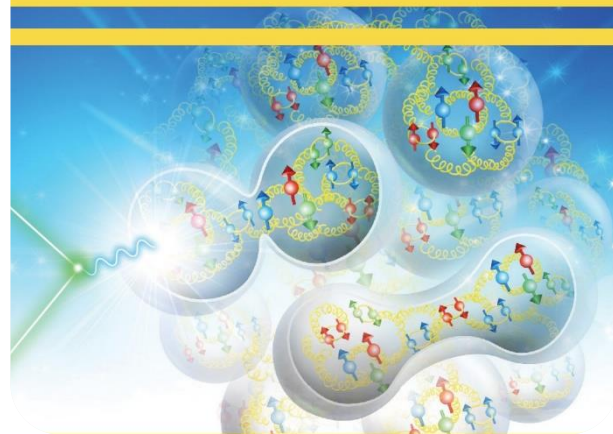


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# Exposing & Charting EHM

- Proton was discovered 100 years ago
  - It is stable; hence, an ideal target in experiments
- But just as studying the hydrogen atom ground state didn't give us QED, focusing on the ground state of only one form of hadron matter will not solve QCD
- New Era dawning
  - High energy + high luminosity
  - ⇒ science can move beyond the monomaniacal focus on the proton
- Precision studies of the structure of
  - Nature's most fundamental Nambu-Goldstone bosons ( $\pi$  &  $K$ ) will become possible
  - Baryon excited states
    - ✓ Baryons are the most fundamental three-body systems in Nature
    - ✓ If we don't understand how QCD, a Poincaré-invariant quantum field theory, builds each of the baryons in the complete spectrum, then we don't understand Nature.

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$$\Psi(x, t)$$

*$\pi$  &  $K$  DAs & Form Factors*

# Wave Functions of Nambu Goldstone Bosons

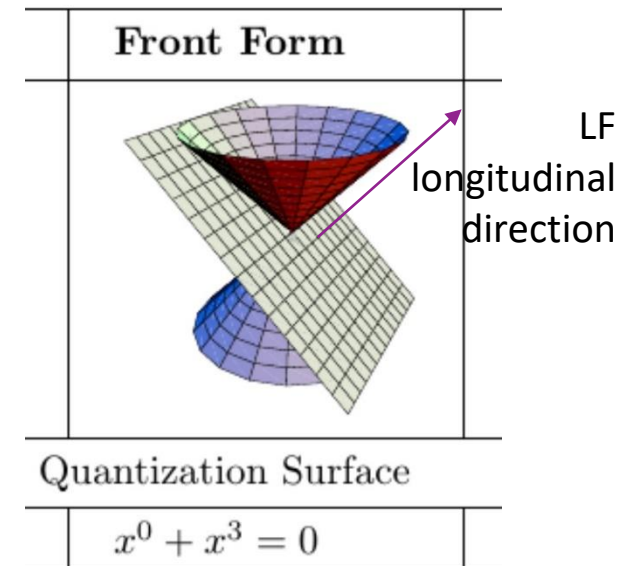
## ➤ Physics Goals:

- Pion and kaon distribution amplitudes (DAs –  $\varphi_{\pi,K}$ )
- Nearest thing in quantum field theory to Schrödinger wave function
- Consequently, fundamental to understanding  $\pi$  and  $K$  structure.

## ➤ Scientific Context:

- For 40 years, the  $x$ -dependence of the pion's dominant distribution amplitude (DA) has been controversial.
- Modern theory  $\Rightarrow$  EHM expressed in  $x$ -dependence of  $\varphi_{\pi,K}(x)$
- $\varphi_{\pi}(x)$  is direct measure of dressed-quark running mass in chiral limit.
- Kaon DA = asymmetric around midpoint of its domain of support ( $0 < x < 1$ )
  - Degree of asymmetry is signature of constructive interference between EHM and HB mass-generating mechanisms

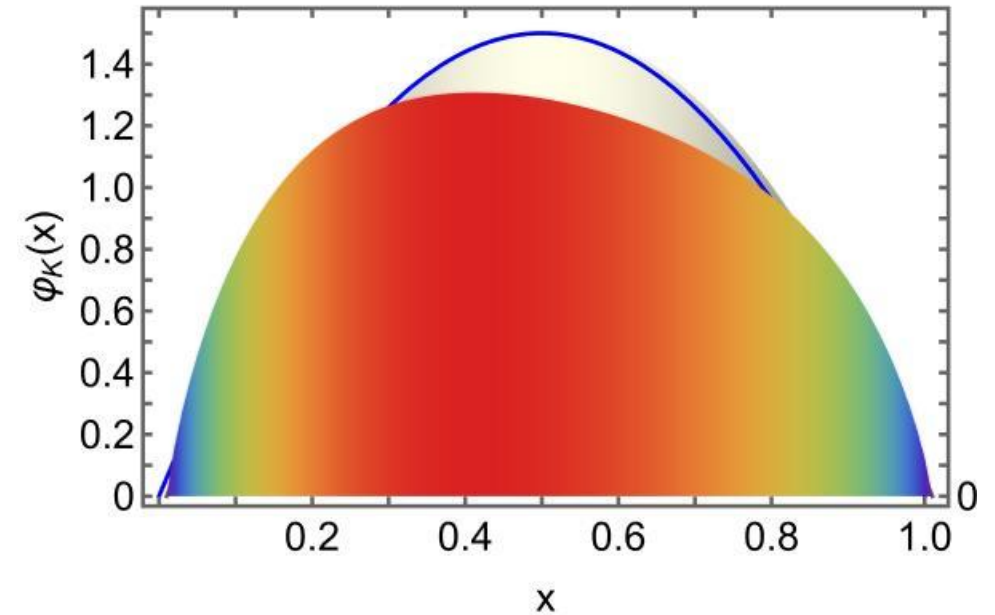
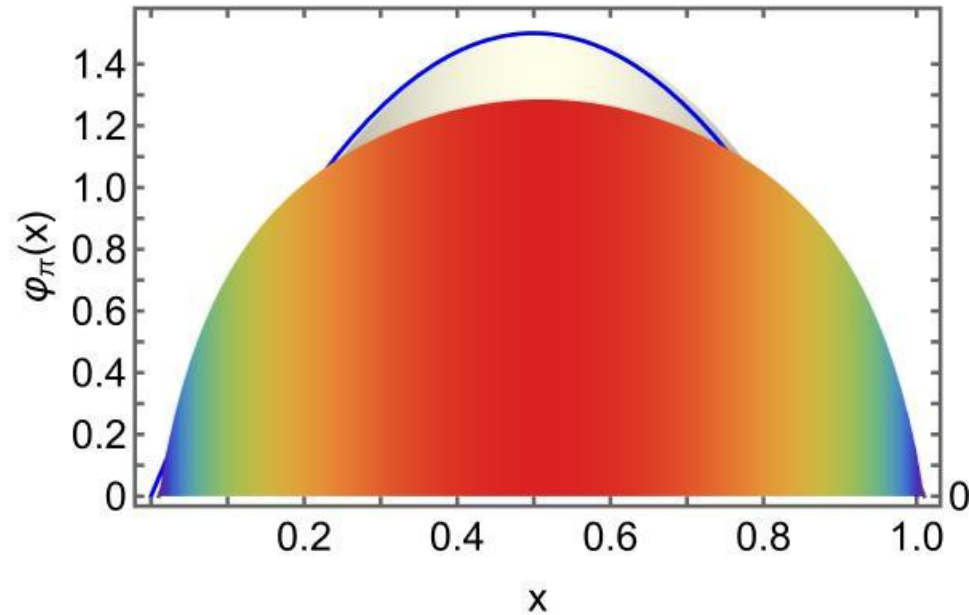
DAs are 1D projection of hadron's light-front wave function, obtained by integration  $\sim \int d^2 k_{\perp} \Psi(x, k_{\perp})$



*Insights into the Emergence of Mass from Studies of Pion and Kaon Structure*, Craig D. Roberts, David G. Richards, Tanja Horn and Lei Chang, NJU-INP 034/21, [arXiv: 2102.01765 \[hep-ph\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.01765), Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. **120** (2021) 103883/1-65



# $\pi$ & K DAs cf. asymptotic profile



- EHM generates broadening in both  $\pi$  & K
- EHM + Higgs-boson interference is responsible for skewing in kaon

- HB-only  $\Rightarrow$  peak shifted to  $\frac{m_u^{\text{HB}}}{m_s^{\text{HB}}} \times \frac{1}{2} \approx 0.02 \dots$  *wrong*

- Instead, EHM\*HB for u and s quarks ...  $\frac{\text{EHM } m_{u \rightarrow M_u}}{\text{EHM } m_{s \rightarrow M_s}} \times \frac{1}{2} \approx 0.4$



# Empirical Determination of the Pion Mass Distribution

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Existing pion+nucleus Drell-Yan and electron+pion scattering data are used to develop ensembles of model-independent representations of the pion generalised parton distribution (GPD). Therewith, one arrives at a data-driven prediction for the pion mass distribution form factor,  $\theta_2$ . Compared with the pion elastic electromagnetic form factor,  $\theta_2$  is harder: the ratio of the radii derived from these two form factors is  $r_{\pi}^{\theta_2}/r_{\pi} = 0.79(3)$ . Our data-driven predictions for the pion GPD, related form factors and distributions should serve as valuable constraints on theories of pion structure.

# $\pi$ mass distribution

- Expectation value of the QCD energy-momentum tensor in the pion  
= pion gravitational current

$$\Lambda_{\mu\nu}^g(K, Q) = 2K_\mu K_\nu \theta_2^\pi(Q^2) + \frac{1}{2}[Q^2 \delta_{\mu\nu} - Q_\mu Q_\nu] \theta_1^\pi(Q^2) + 2m_\pi^2 \delta_{\mu\nu} \bar{c}^\pi(Q^2)$$

Zero owing to energy+momentum conservation

- Contract with  $\delta_{\mu\nu}$ :  $\Lambda_{\mu\mu}^g(K, 0) = 2m_\pi^2 \theta_2^\pi(Q^2)$ 
  - $\theta_2^\pi(Q^2 = 0) = 1$  (canonical mass-normalisation)
  - $\theta_2^\pi(Q^2)$  measures mass distribution in  $\pi$

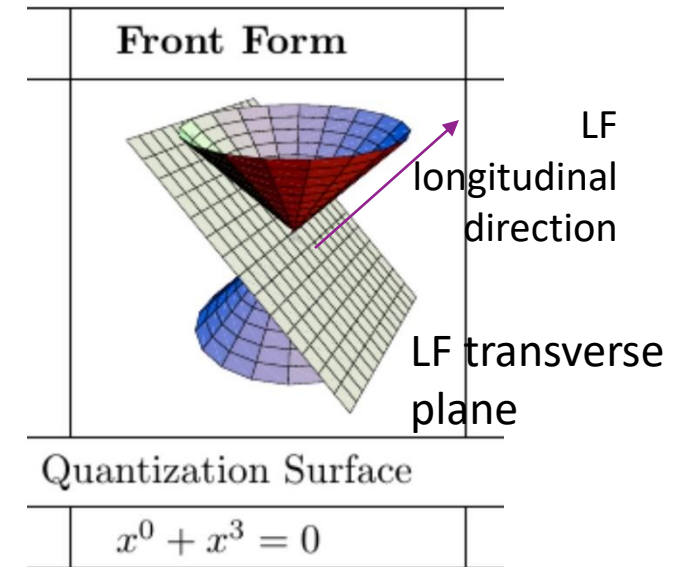
- $\theta_2^\pi$  can be obtained as the first Mellin moment of the pion GPD

Pion GPD

$$\theta_2^\pi(\Delta^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx 2x H_\pi^u(x, 0, -\Delta^2; \zeta_{\mathcal{H}})$$

# Generalised Parton Distributions

- “Standard” parton DFs
  - 1D picture – dependence of in-hadron parton properties on the light-front (LF) fraction,  $x$ , of the hadron’s total momentum
- Generalised parton distributions (GPDs)
  - Provide extension of 1D parton distribution functions into 3D images
  - Also describe hadron’s distributions of partons in plane perpendicular to bound-state's total momentum, *i.e.*, within the light front itself.
- Data relating to GPDs
  - deeply virtual Compton scattering
    - $\gamma^*(q)T(p) \rightarrow \gamma^*(q')T(p')$  – so long as at least one photon possesses large virtuality
  - deeply virtual meson production
    - $\gamma^*(q)T(p) \rightarrow M(q')T(p')$ , where  $M$  is a meson
- GPDs connect DFs with hadron form factors because
  - any DF may be recovered as forward limit ( $p' = p$ ) of relevant GPD
  - any elastic form factor can be expressed via a GPD-based sum rule



*GPD measurement ... numerous experimental programmes – underway or planned at JLab, EIC, and EicC*

# Empirical determination of the pion mass distribution

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  - any elastic form factor can be expressed via a GPD-based sum rule
- Working solely with
  - existing pion + nucleus Drell-Yan data (CERN and FNAL – 1989)
    - two phenomenological fits to this data [Aicher:2010cb, Barry:2021osv] ... use both
  - electron+pion scattering data
    - CERN – 1984, 1986
    - JLab 2000, 2006, 2007, 2008
- Used a  $\chi^2$ -based selection procedure to develop ensembles of model-independent representations of the three-dimensional pointwise behaviour of the pion generalised parton distribution (GPD).
- These ensembles yield data-driven prediction for pion GPD



# Pion Generalised Parton Distribution

- Pion GPDs, reconstructed from available analyses of relevant Drell-Yan and electron+pion scattering data
  - Different ensembles only marginally compatible, owing to differences between analyses in [Aicher:2010cb, Barry:2021osv]
  - Yet, both agree with IQCD based ensembles, within mutual uncertainties, because IQCD-constrained ensemble has large uncertainty – improvement of IQCD results needed
  - CSM prediction favours  $u_A^\pi(x; \zeta_5)$  ensemble
- In all cases, support of the valence-quark GPD becomes increasingly concentrated in the neighbourhood  $x \simeq 1$  with increasing  $\Delta^2$ 
  - Namely, greater probe momentum focuses attention on domain in which one valence-quark carries a large fraction of the pion's light-front momentum

Revealing pion and kaon structure via generalised parton distributions, K. Raya, Z. -F. Cui (崔著钊) et al., NJU-INP 051/21, e-Print: 2109.11686 [hep-ph], Chin. Phys. C **46** (01) (2022) 013107/1-22

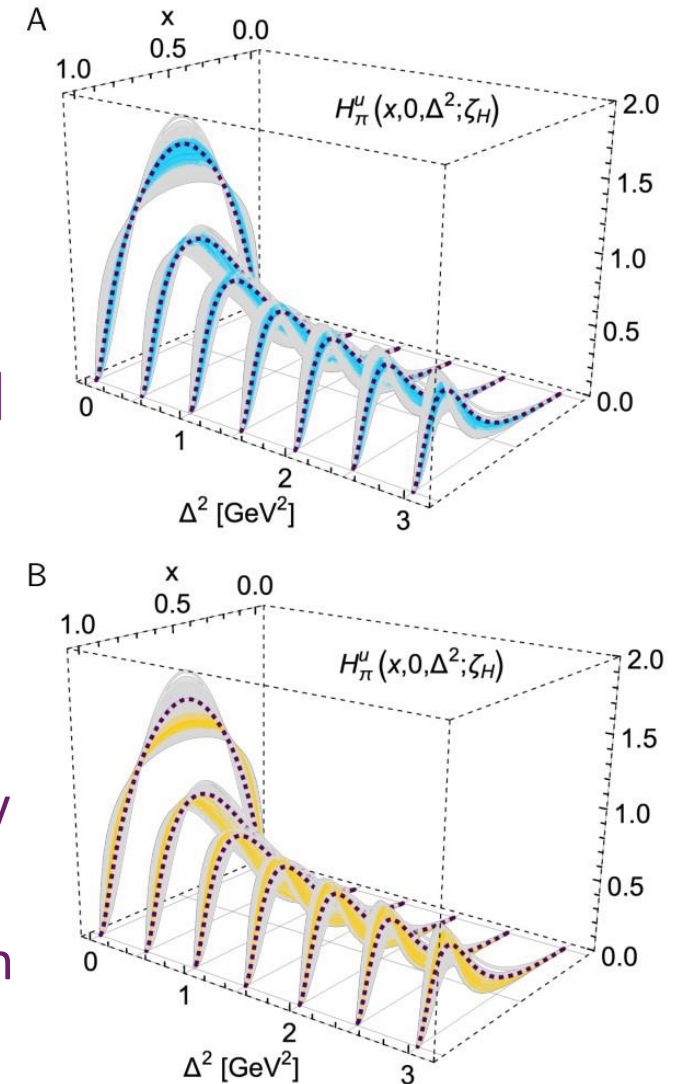


FIG. 3. Pion GPDs. *Panel A.* Working with DFs  $u_A^\pi(x; \zeta_H)$  [63] – blue band. *Panel B.* Using DFs  $u_B^\pi(x; \zeta_H)$  [54, Sec. 8] – orange band. Comparison curves, both panels: CSM prediction in Refs. [59, 72] – dashed purple curve; GPD ensemble generated from valence-quark DFs developed in Ref. [55], obtained from results computed using lattice Schwinger function methods [65–67] – grey band.

# Pion charge distribution form factor

- 0<sup>th</sup> Moment of pion GPD
 
$$F_\pi(\Delta^2) \equiv F_\pi^u(\Delta^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx H_\pi^u(x, 0, -\Delta^2; \zeta_H)$$

$$= \int_0^1 dx u^\pi(x; \zeta_H) \Phi^\pi(\Delta^2 x^2; \zeta_H),$$
- All ensembles reproduce empirical  $F_\pi(\Delta^2)$ 
  - Blue – based on  $u_A^\pi(x; \zeta_5)$  ensembles
  - Orange – based on  $u_B^\pi(x; \zeta_5)$  ensembles
- Comparison curves
  - dashed purple – CSM prediction for  $F_\pi(\Delta^2)$
  - grey band – Ensemble of  $F_\pi(\Delta^2)$  results developed from DFs based on results obtained using lattice-QCD
- Once again, data-driven results are in accord with modern theory predictions.

See, e.g., Sec. 4B in

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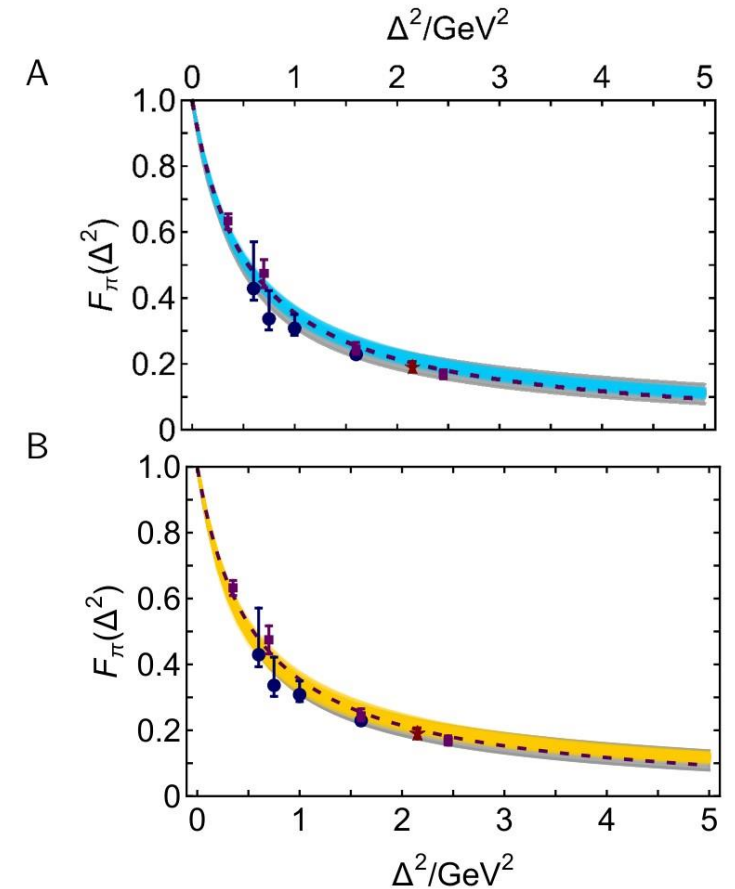


FIG. 2. Pion elastic electromagnetic form factor,  $F_\pi(\Delta^2)$ , obtained from Eq. (11) using the GPD ensembles generated via S4. *Panel A.* DFs  $u_A^\pi(x; \zeta_H)$  [63] (blue band). *Panel B.* DFs  $u_B^\pi(x; \zeta_H)$  [54, Sec. 8] (orange band). Comparison curves: dashed purple –  $F_\pi(\Delta^2)$  calculated using CSMs [21, Sec. 4B], [45]; grey band –  $F_\pi(\Delta^2)$  ensemble obtained with valence-quark DFs developed in Ref. [55] from results obtained using lattice Schwinger function methods [65–67]. The form factor data are from Refs. [36–40].

# $\pi$ mass distribution

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- Expressed as first Mellin-moment of the pion GPD
- Principal, dynamical coefficient in the expectation value of the QCD energy-momentum tensor in the pion

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- Plainly ...  $\theta_2(\Delta^2)$  is harder than the  $F_\pi(\Delta^2)$   
*i.e.*, the distribution of mass in the pion is more compact than the distribution of electric charge.
- ***This is an empirical fact***

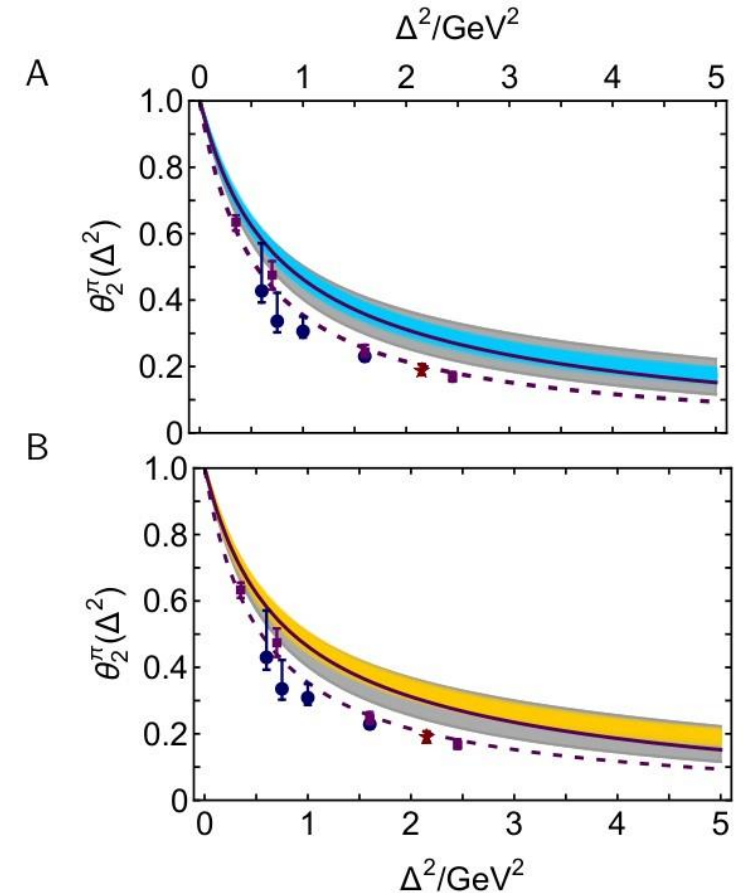


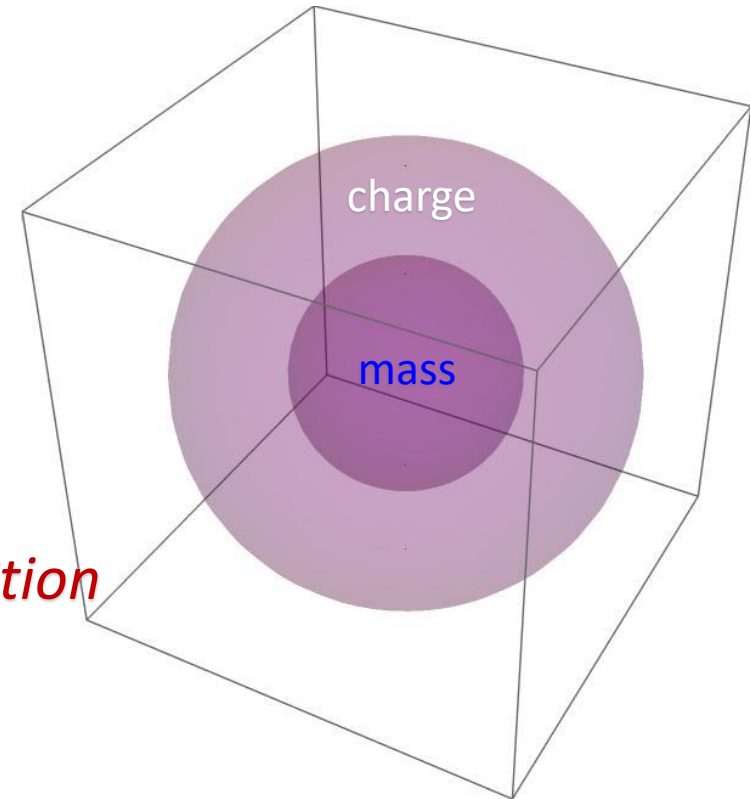
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# $\pi$ mass radius

	A	B	lQCD
$r_{\pi}^{\theta_2}$	0.518(16)	0.498(14)	0.512(21)

- Comparison value for charge radius:  $r_{\pi} = 0.64(2)$
- Data-driven prediction:  $\frac{r_{\pi}^{\theta_2}}{r_{\pi}} = 0.79(3)$
- Translates into spacetime volume ratio = 0.49(6)

*Pion mass distribution is concentrated within just 50% of the spacetime volume of the charge distribution*





# $\pi$ mass distribution is harder

- Empirical fact is readily understood physically
- Pion wave function (hence, pion GPD) is independent of the probe.
  - It's the same whether 1 photon or 2 photons or graviton is the probing object.
- However, probe itself focuses on different features of the target constituents
  - Target quark carries same charge, irrespective of its momentum.
    - So, pion LFWF alone controls distribution of charge.
  - Gravitational interaction of target quark depends on its momentum.  
(The current = the energy momentum tensor)
    - Pion effective mass distribution therefore depends on interference between quark momentum growth and LFWF momentum suppression with increasing  $\Delta^2 x^2$ .
    - This pushes support to a larger momentum domain in the pion = smaller distance domain.

# $\pi$ mass distribution is harder

- The difference between mass and charge radii grows with strength of EHM-induced broadening of pion (DA) DF because ...

Broadening magnifies endpoint differences, accentuating low- $x$  positive support in integrand

$$\theta_2(\Delta^2) - F_\pi(\Delta^2) = \int_0^1 dx (1 - 2x) u^\pi(x; \zeta_H) \Phi^\pi(\Delta^2 x^2; \zeta_H)$$

- This broadening is also manifested in  $\Delta^2 x^2$ -dependence of  $\Phi^\pi$ 
  - Broadening of DF is expression of smoothing in the momentum dependence of  $\Phi^\pi$
- *“Is there a specific aspect of the pion GPDs driven by the data which is responsible?”*
- Yes. EHM induced broadening of pion LFWF = GPD.

Given GPD overlap representation, they’re the same thing.

*Data on large-momentum tail of  $F_\pi(\Delta^2)$  and endpoint behaviour of  $u^\pi(x; \zeta_H)$  will enable tighter constraints on mass-charge radii difference*

Nucleon mass from a covariant three-quark Faddeev equation

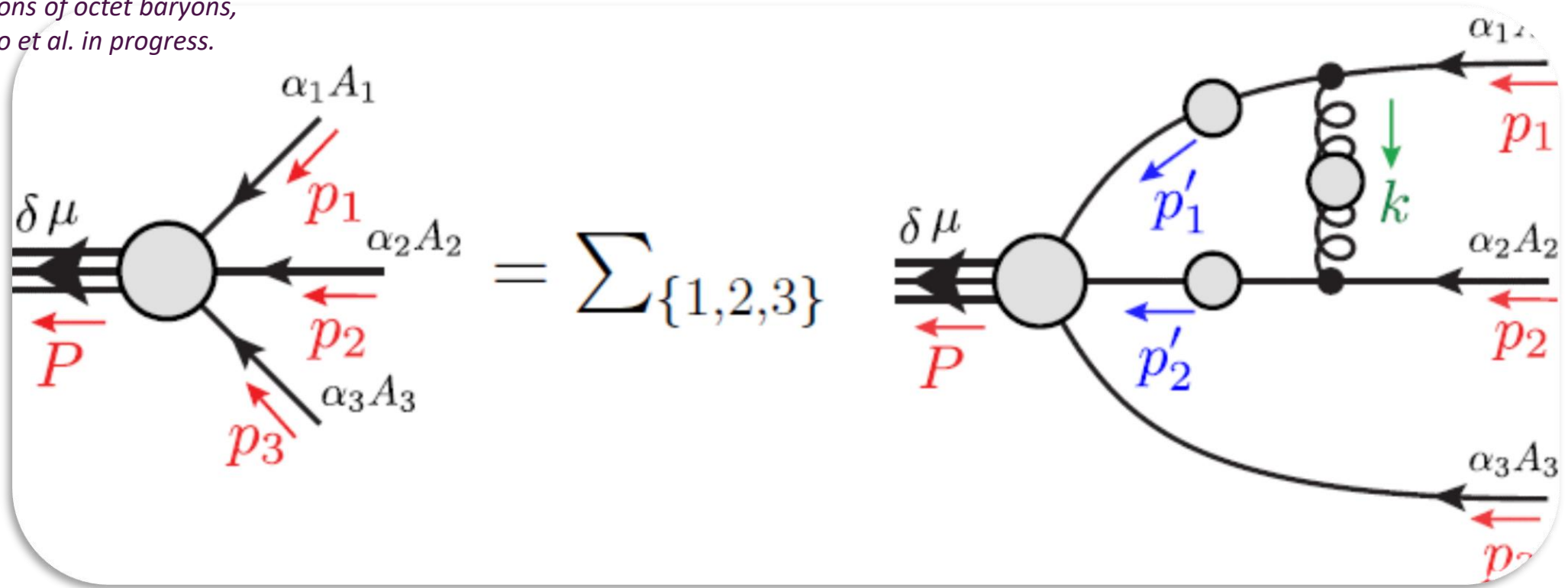
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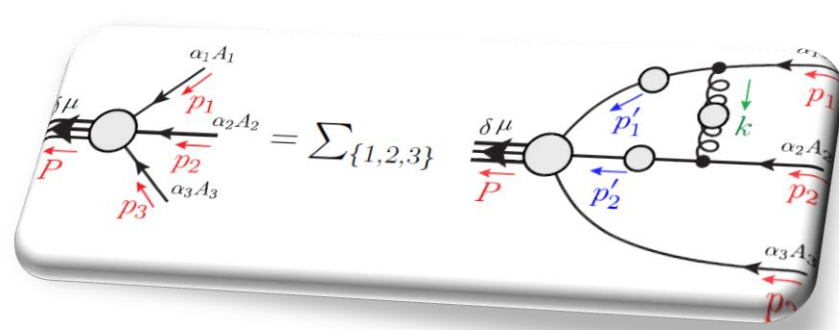
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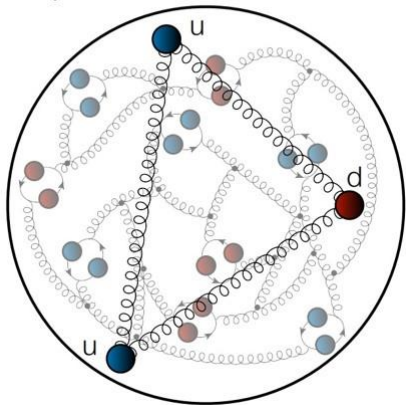
# Faddeev Equation for Baryons

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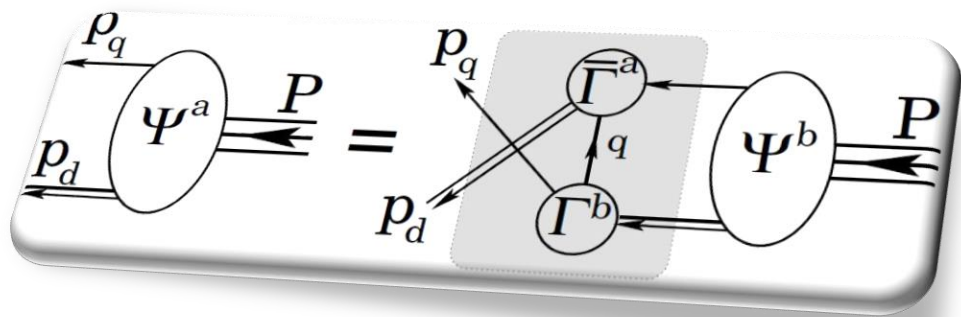
A proton



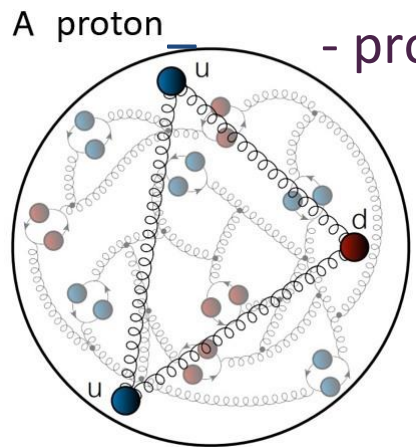


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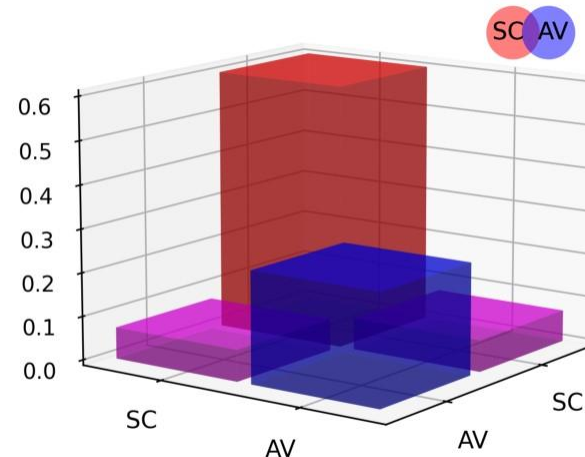
*Solution delivers  
Poincaré-covariant  
proton wave function*



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- Direct solution of Faddeev equation using rainbow-ladder truncation is now possible, but numerical challenges remain
- For many/most applications, diquark approximation to quark+quark scattering kernel is used
- **Prediction:** owing to EHM phenomena, *strong diquark correlations exist within baryons*



- proton and neutron ... both scalar and axial-vector diquarks are present



- ✓ CSM prediction = presence of axialvector (AV) diquark correlation in the proton
- ✓ AV Responsible for  $\approx 40\%$  of proton charge

Modern experimental facilities, new theoretical techniques for the continuum bound-state problem and progress with lattice-regularized QCD have provided strong indications that soft quark-quark (diquark) correlations play a crucial role in hadron physics.

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- Theory predicts experimental observables that would constitute unambiguous measurable signals for the presence of diquark correlations.
- Some connect with spectroscopy of exotics
  - ✓ tetraquarks and pentaquarks
- Numerous observables connected with structure of conventional hadrons, e.g.
  - ✓ existence of zeros in  $d$ -quark contribution to proton Dirac and Pauli form factors
  - ✓  $Q^2$ -dependence of nucleon-to-resonance transition form factors
  - ✓  $x$ -dependence of proton structure functions
  - ✓ deep inelastic scattering on nuclear targets (nDIS) ... proton production described by direct knockout of diquarks, which subsequently form into new protons

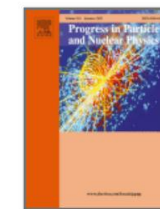
# Diquarks - Facts



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## Diquark correlations in hadron physics: Origin, impact and evidence

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## Nucleon axial-vector and pseudoscalar form factors and PCAC relations

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## Nucleon axial form factor at large momentum transfers

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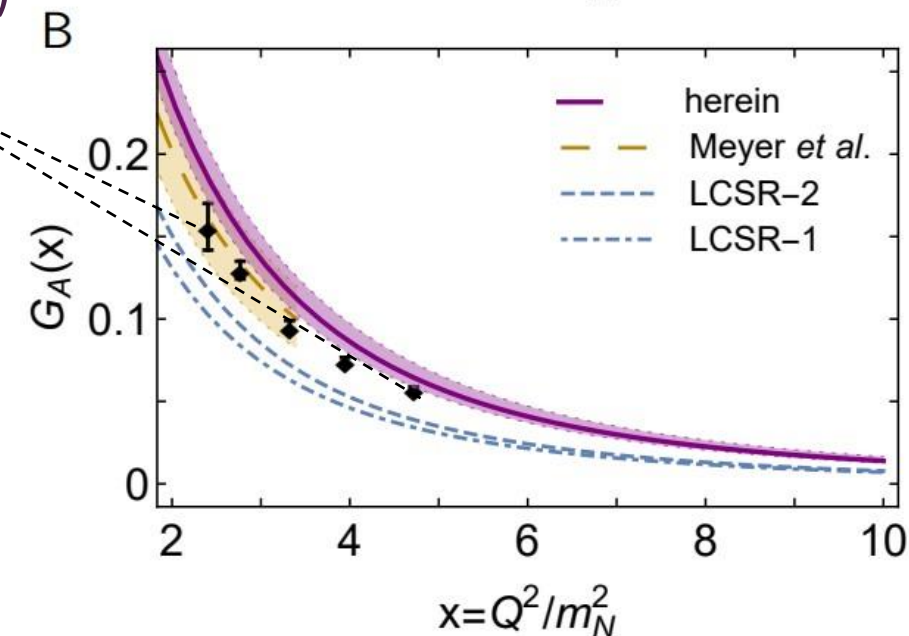
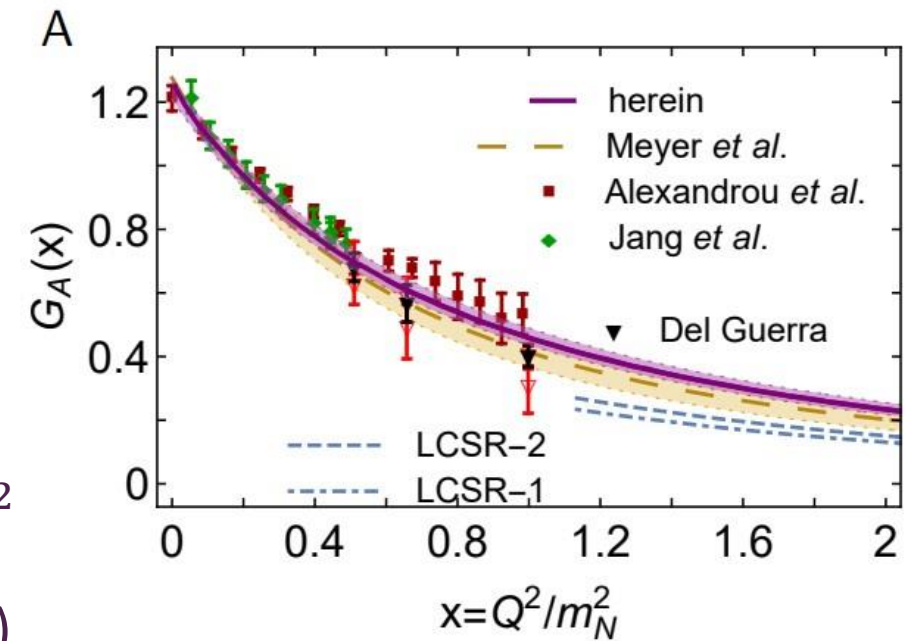
Chen Chen solved a > 20-year problem in theoretical physics = construction of axialvector current of nucleon described by realistic Poincaré-covariant wave function





# Large $Q^2$ Nucleon Axial Form Factor

- Parameter-free CSM predictions to  $Q^2 = 10 m_p^2$
- One other calculation, *viz.* LCSRs using different models for proton DA ... Only available on  $Q^2 > 1 m_p^2$
- CSM prediction agrees with available data: small & large  $Q^2$
- Large  $Q^2$  data from CLAS [Park *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C 85 (2012) 035208], threshold  $\pi$  electroproduction,  $Q^2 \approx 5 m_p^2$ 
  - ✓ This technique could be used to reach higher  $Q^2$
- ✓ Regarding oft-used dipole *Ansatz*,
  - ✓ Fair representation of  $G_A(x)$  on  $x \in [0, 3] =$  fitting domain
  - ✓ But outside fitted domain, quality of approximation deteriorates quickly
  - ✓ dipole overestimates true result by 56% at  $x = 10$





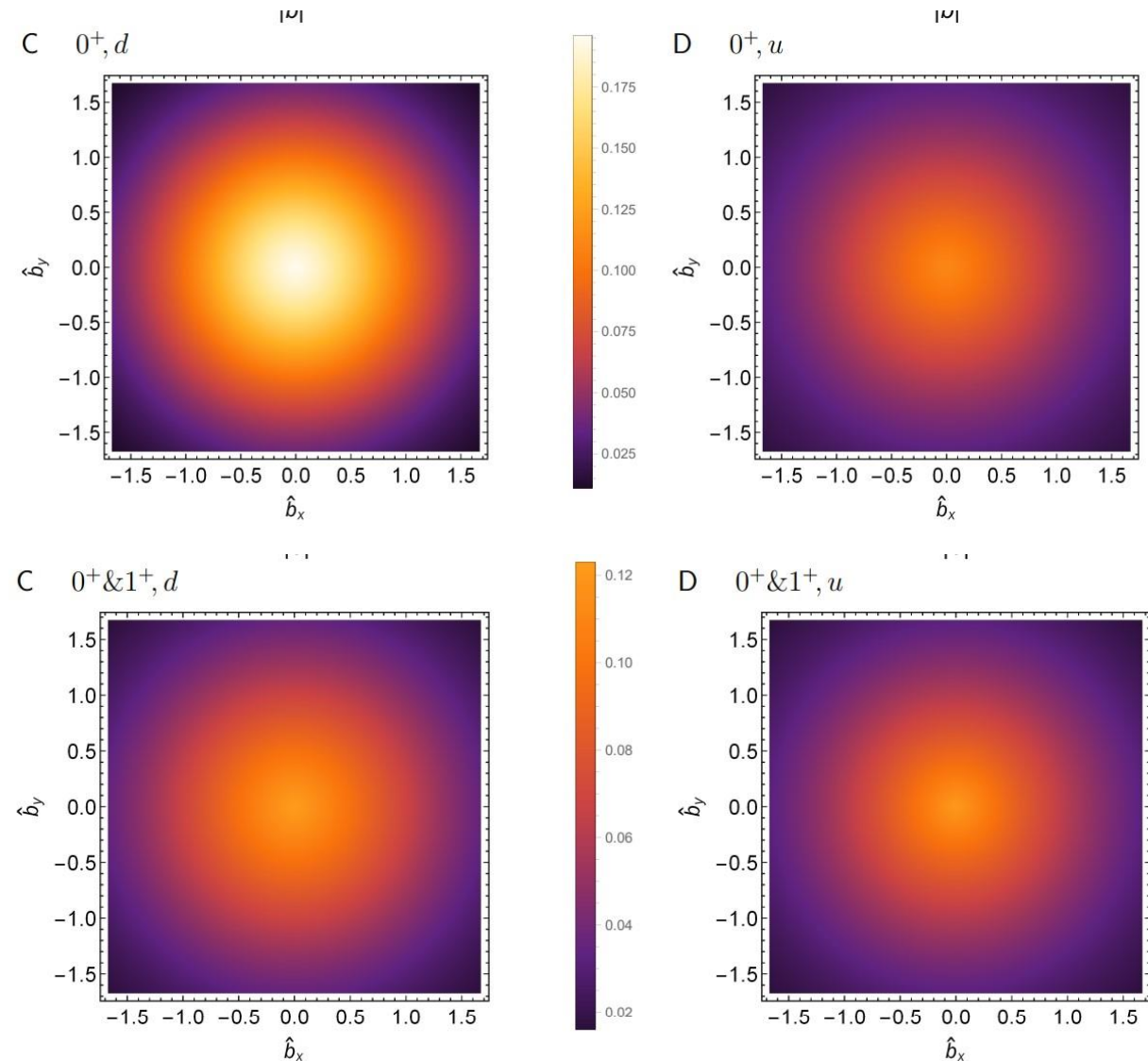
# Large $Q^2$ Nucleon Axial Form Factor

- Light-front transverse density profiles
- Omitting axialvector diquarks
  - ✓ magnitude of the d quark contribution to GA is just 10% of that from the u quark
  - ✓ d quark is also much more localized

$$r_{Ad}^\perp \approx 0.5 r_{Au}^\perp$$

- Working with realistic axialvector diquark fraction
  - ✓ d and u quark transverse profiles are quite similar

$$r_{Ad}^\perp \approx 0.9 r_{Au}^\perp$$



# Proton Spin Structure

- Flavour separation of proton axial charge
- d-quark receives large contribution from probe+quark in presence of axialvector diquark

- $\frac{g_A^d}{g_A^u} = 0^+ \& 1^+ \quad -0.32(2)$

- $\frac{g_A^d}{g_A^u} = 0^+ \text{ only} \quad -0.054(13)$

- Experiment:  $\frac{g_A^d}{g_A^u} = 0^+ \& 1^+ \quad -0.27(4) \Leftarrow$  strong pointer to importance of AV correlation
- Hadron scale:  $g_A^u + g_A^d (+g_A^s = 0) = 0.65(2) \Rightarrow$  quarks carry 65% of the proton spin
- Poincaré-covariant proton wave function: remaining 35% lodged with quark+diquark orbital angular momentum
- Extended to entire octet of ground-state baryons: dressed-quarks carry 50(7)% of proton spin at hadron scale

**Table 1** Diagram and flavour separation of the proton axial charge:  $g_A^u = G_A^u(0)$ ,  $g_A^d = G_A^d(0)$ ;  $g_A^u - g_A^d = 1.25(3)$ . The listed uncertainties in the tabulated results reflect the impact of  $\pm 5\%$  variations in the diquark masses in Eq. (3), e.g.  $0.88_{6\mp} \Rightarrow 0.88 \mp 0.06$ .

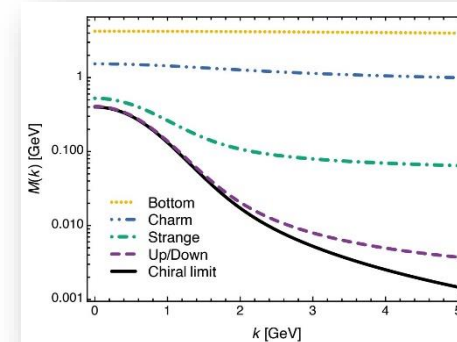
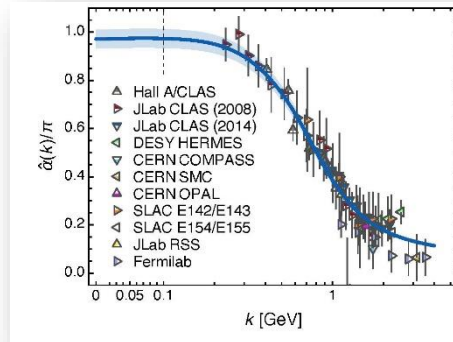
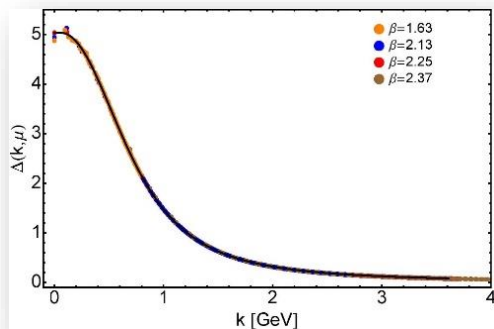
	$\langle J \rangle_q^S$	$\langle J \rangle_q^A$	$\langle J \rangle_{qq}^{AA}$	$\langle J \rangle_{qq}^{\{SA\}}$	$\langle J \rangle_{ex}^{SS}$	$\langle J \rangle_{ex}^{\{SA\}}$	$\langle J \rangle_{ex}^{AA}$
$g_A^u$	$0.88_{6\mp}$	$-0.08_{0\pm}$	$0.03_{0\pm}$	$0.08_{0\mp}$	0	$\approx 0$	$0.03_{\pm 1}$
$-g_A^d$	0	$0.16_{0\pm}$	0	$0.08_{0\mp}$	$0.05_{1\pm}$	$\approx 0$	$0.01_{\pm 0}$

*Probability that scalar diquark only picture of proton is consistent with data = 1/7,100,000*

# Synergy of Experiment, Phenomenology, Theory

- Drawing detailed map of the proton is important because proton is Nature's only absolutely stable bound state.
  - ✓ However, while QCD is the proton, the proton is not QCD
- Strong interaction theory is maturing
  - ✓ Expanding array of parameter-free predictions for the proton – yes
  - ✓ And all the other hadrons whose properties express the full meaning of QCD
- Understanding how QCD's simplicity explains the emergence of hadron mass and structure requires investment in a facility that can deliver precision data on much more than one of Nature's hadrons.
- An energy-upgraded Jlab complex is the only envisaged facility that could ...
  - ✓ Deliver precise structure data on a wide range of hadrons with distinctly different quantum numbers
  - ✓ Thereby move Science into a new realm of understanding.

Gather all pieces of the puzzle ... Reveal the source of Nature's basic mass-scale



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# *Emergent Hadron Mass*

- QCD is unique amongst known fundamental theories of natural phenomena
  - Degrees-of-freedom used to express the scale-free Lagrangian are not directly observable
  - Massless gauge bosons become massive, with no “human” interference
  - Gluon mass ensures a stable, infrared completion of the theory through appearance of a running coupling that saturates at infrared momenta, being everywhere finite
  - Massless fermions become massive, producing
    - Massive baryons and simultaneously Massless mesons
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- High energy and high luminosity facilities are the key to validating these concepts proving QCD to be 1<sup>st</sup> well-defined four-dimensional quantum field theory ever contemplated
- *This may open doors that lead far beyond the Standard Model*





# Emergent Hadron Mass

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*↳ Nature = ?*

*Thankyou*