

Electric dipole moments in effective field theory

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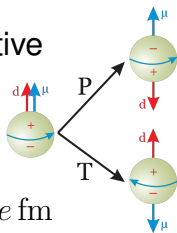
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CP violation: a case for new physics

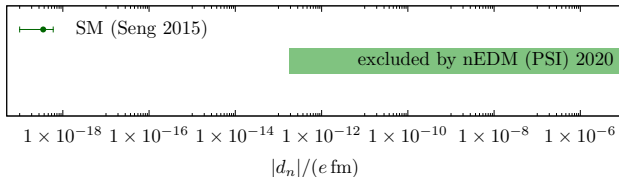
- **baryon asymmetry** in the universe requires more CP violation than Standard Model (SM) can provide
- so far **no direct evidence** of physics beyond the SM
- two options:
 - light new physics is very well hidden (weakly coupled)
 - **new physics is heavy**, with masses well above the electroweak scale
- focus here on the second option

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 → nEDM Collaboration, PRL **124** (2020) 081803
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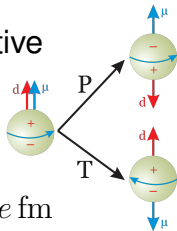


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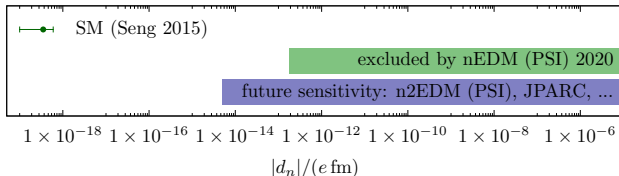


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Electric dipole moments

- non-observation leads to strong **constraints on *CP*-violating sources**
- observation would be a clear **signal of physics beyond the SM** or QCD θ -term

Theory challenges

- non-observation: how to turn experimental bounds into **best generic constraints** on new physics?
 - observation: how to **disentangle different possible sources** of CP violation?
- ⇒ work with generic, **model-independent** framework
- ⇒ **accuracy of theoretical description** needs to match experimental precision
- ⇒ **control uncertainties**, in particular non-perturbative aspects

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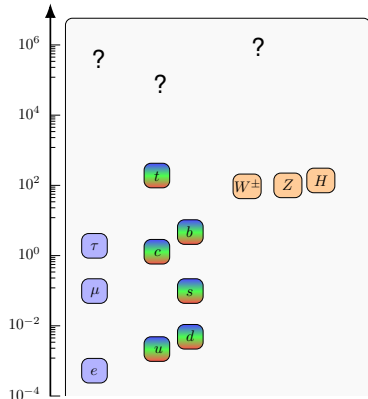
- ideal to deal with widely separated scales:

$$m_N \ll v \ll \Lambda_{UV}$$

- based on a **small set of assumptions**
- **generic framework**, can be used ‘stand-alone’ or in connection with a broad range of specific models
- work with the relevant degrees of freedom at a particular energy \Rightarrow **simplify calculations**
- connect different energy regimes, **avoid large logs**

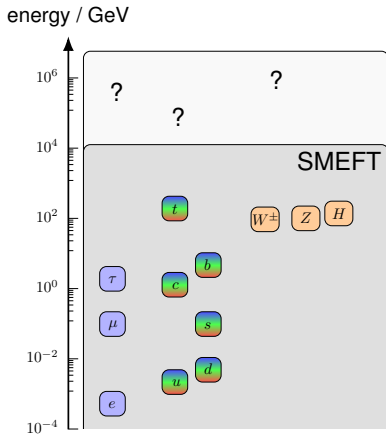
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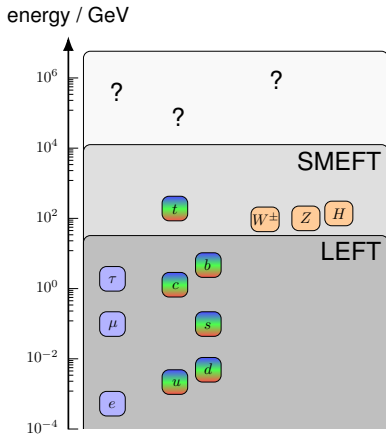
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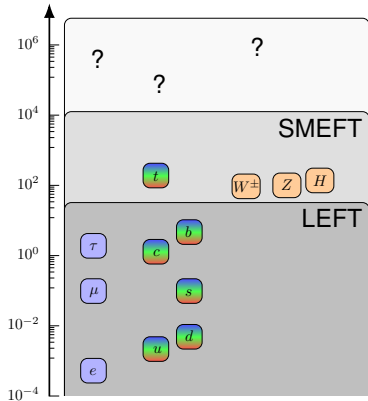
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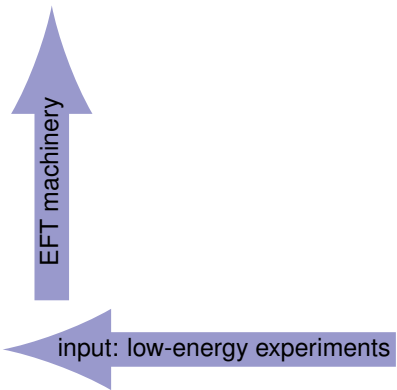
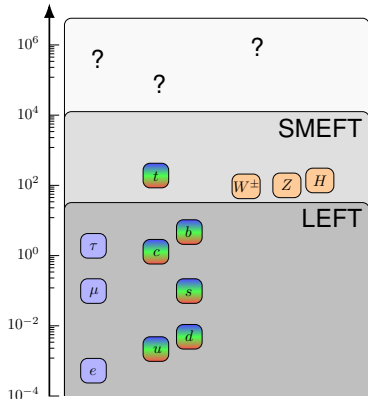
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input: low-energy experiments

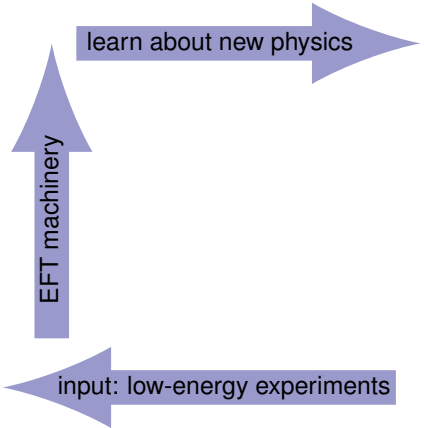
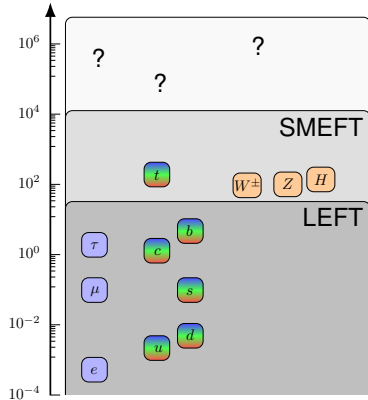
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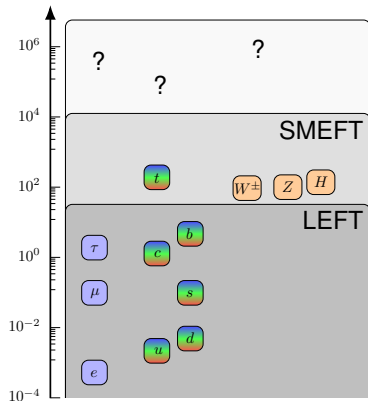
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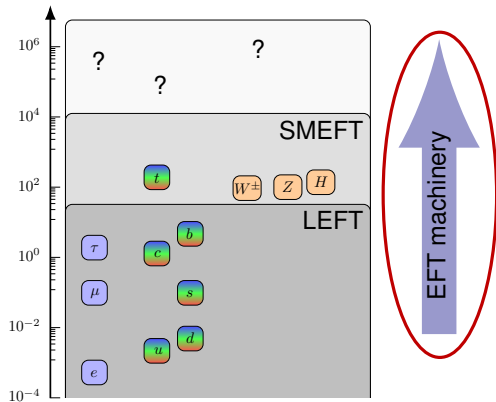
EFT machinery

learn about new physics

input: low-energy experiments

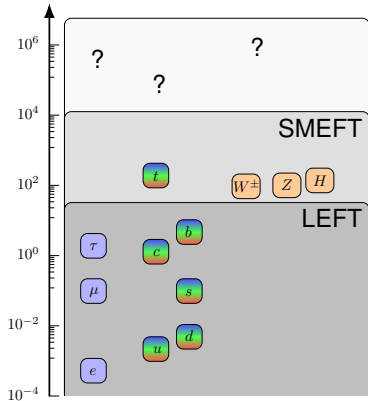
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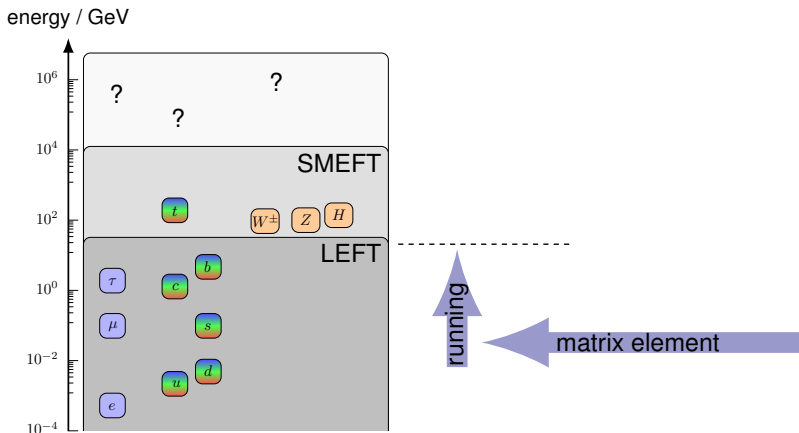
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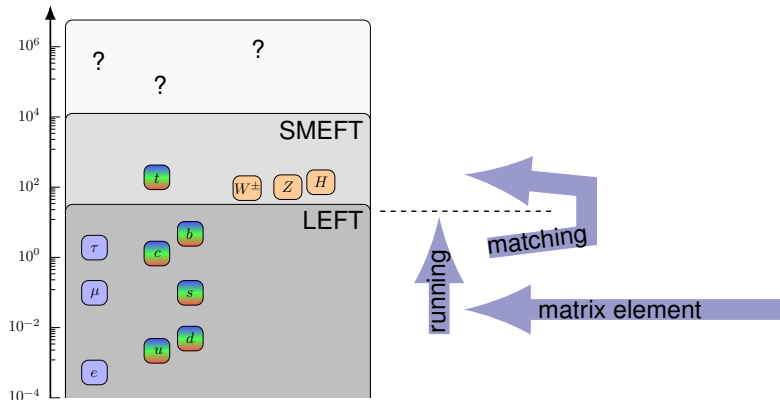
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→ Jenkins, Manohar, Stoffer JHEP 01 (2018) 084

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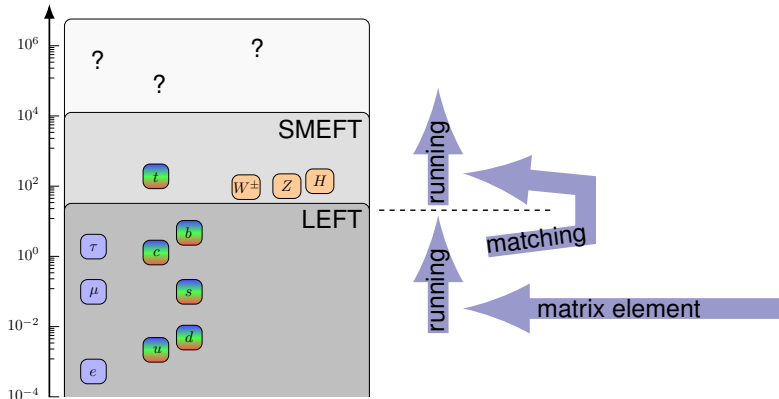


→ Jenkins, Manohar, Stoffer JHEP **03** (2018) 016

→ Dekens, Stoffer, JHEP **10** (2019) 197

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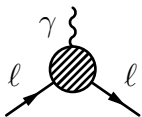


→ Jenkins et al. (2013, 2014)

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Form factors



$$= ie \bar{u}(p') \Gamma^\mu(p, p') u(p), \quad k = p' - p$$

form-factor decomposition of vertex function:

$$\Gamma^\mu(p, p') = \gamma^\mu F_E(k^2) + i \frac{\sigma^{\mu\nu} k_\nu}{2m_\ell} F_M(k^2) + \frac{\sigma^{\mu\nu} k_\nu}{2m_\ell} \gamma_5 F_D(k^2) + \frac{k^2 \gamma^\mu - k^\mu \not{k}}{m_\ell^2} \gamma_5 F_A(k^2)$$

anomalous magnetic moment: $a_\ell = F_M(0)$

electric dipole moment: $d_\ell = \frac{e}{2m_\ell} F_D(0)$

Dipole operators

- leptonic **dipole operators**

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{LEFT}} \supset L_{e\gamma} \left(\bar{e}_{Lp} \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_{Rr} \right) F_{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}$$

give tree-level contribution to dipole moments:

$$a_\ell = \frac{g_\ell - 2}{2} = 4 \frac{m_\ell}{e} \text{Re} L_{\ell\ell}^{e\gamma}, \quad d_\ell = -2 \text{Im} L_{\ell\ell}^{e\gamma}$$

- real/imaginary parts of same Wilson coefficients, but no model-independent relation
- many more operators contribute at loop level:
 - Panico, Pomarol, Rimbau, JHEP **04** (2019) 090
 - Aebischer, Dekens, Jenkins, Manohar, Sengupta, Stoffer, JHEP **07** (2021) 107
 - Brod, Polonsky, Stamou, arXiv:2306.12478

Leptonic EDMs

→ dedicated talks by Eric Hessels, Lorenz Willmann, Chavdar Dutsav

- tiny SM contributions
- electron EDM: → Roussy et al., arXiv:2212.11841

$$|d_e| < 4.1 \times 10^{-17} e \text{ fm}$$

- best direct limit on muon EDM: → BNL, PRD **80** (2009) 052008

$$|d_\mu| < 1.5 \times 10^{-6} e \text{ fm}$$

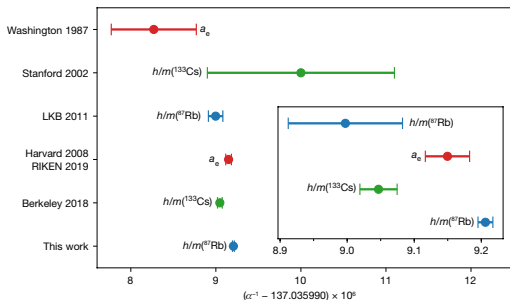
- indirect bound on muon EDM from ^{199}Hg and ThO EDMs: → Ema, Gao, Pospelov, PRL **128** (2022) 13, 131803

$$|d_\mu(^{199}\text{Hg})| < 6.4 \times 10^{-7} e \text{ fm}$$

$$|d_\mu(\text{ThO})| < 1.9 \times 10^{-7} e \text{ fm}$$

Electron anomalous magnetic moment

- as opposed to EDMs, need to control SM prediction: a_e **limited** by knowledge of α_{QED}
- tension between ^{133}Cs vs. ^{87}Rb recoil measurements **above 5σ** : \rightarrow talk by Pierre Cladé



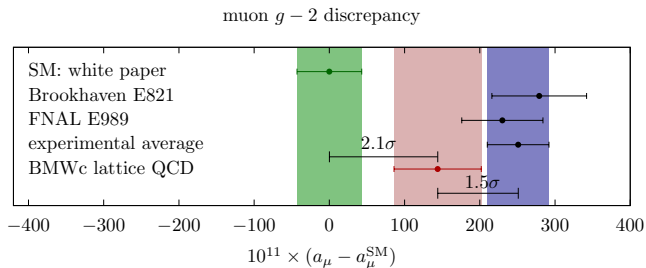
\rightarrow Morel, Yao, Cladé, Guellati-Khélifa, Nature **588** (2020) 7836, 61

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 a_μ **limited** by knowledge of **hadronic contributions**
- multiple tensions:
 - BNL/FNAL vs. SM 2020 White Paper: 4.2σ
 - BMWc lattice QCD vs. BNL/FNAL: 1.5σ
 - pre-2023 e^+e^- hadronic cross-section data vs. BMWc lattice QCD: 2.1σ
 - intermediate Euclidean-time window: 3.7σ
 - pre-2023 e^+e^- hadronic cross-section data vs. CMD-3 (dispersive fit below 1 GeV): 3.7σ

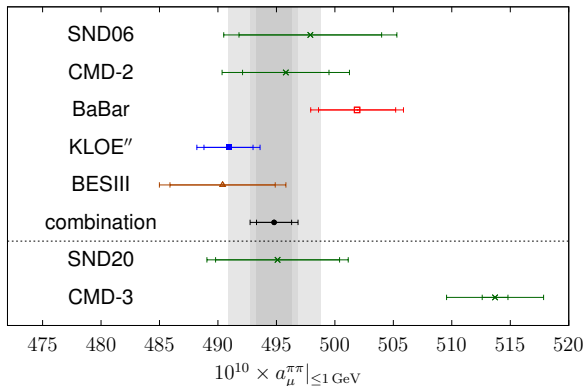
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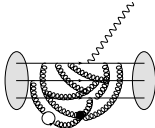
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Neutron EDM in LEFT

- contribution schematically given as

$$d_N \sim \text{[Diagram]} = \sum_i L_i \langle N | \mathcal{O}_i | N \gamma \rangle$$


The diagram shows a neutron, represented by a white circle, interacting with a photon, represented by a wavy line. The interaction is mediated by a loop of quarks and gluons, depicted as a series of curved lines (quarks) and a network of curly lines (gluons) between two shaded cylindrical volumes representing nucleon states.

Neutron EDM in LEFT

- contribution schematically given as

$$d_N \sim \left(\text{Diagram of a neutron with a photon loop} \right) = \sum_i L_i \langle N | \mathcal{O}_i | N \gamma \rangle$$

LEFT operator coefficients

Neutron EDM in LEFT

- contribution schematically given as

$$d_N \sim \text{[Diagram of a neutron emitting a photon]} = \sum_i L_i \langle N | \mathcal{O}_i | N \gamma \rangle$$

hadronic matrix element

Neutron EDM in LEFT

- contribution schematically given as

$$d_N \sim \text{[Feynman diagram]} = \sum_i L_i \langle N | \mathcal{O}_i | N \gamma \rangle$$

- calculate matrix element in LEFT at a renormalization scale of $\mu \sim 2 \dots 3 \text{ GeV}$
- at present, **large uncertainties** on matrix elements dilute experimental sensitivity
- aim for 10 – 25% precision to avoid cancellations

→ Alarcon et al., arXiv:2203.08103

Neutron EDM in LEFT

- hadronic EDMs (nEDM) complicated: **QCD is non-perturbative** at low energies
- any P -odd, CP -odd flavor-conserving operator **contributes non-perturbatively** to nEDM:
 - QCD θ -term
 - dimension-five quark (C)EDM operators
 - dimension-six three-gluon operator
 - dimension-six P/CP -odd four-fermion operators

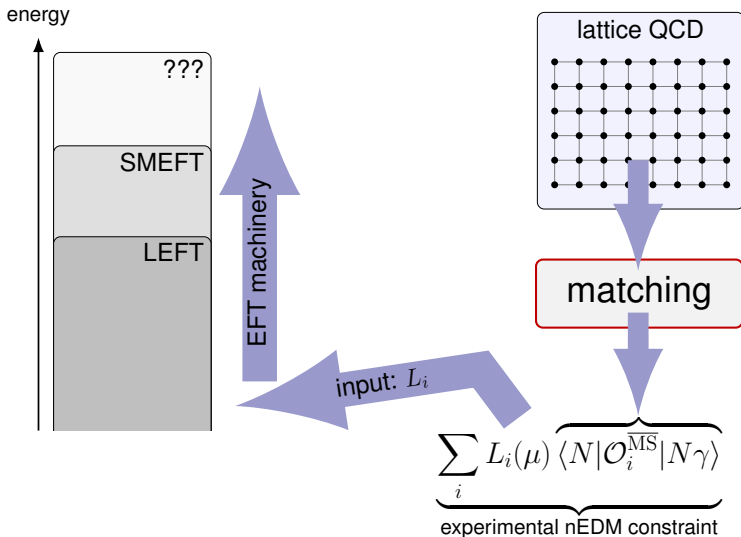
Neutron EDM in LEFT

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_N = & - (1.5 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-3} \bar{\theta} e \text{ fm} \\
 & - (0.20 \pm 0.01) d_u + (0.78 \pm 0.03) d_d + (0.0027 \pm 0.0016) d_s \\
 & - (0.55 \pm 0.28) e \tilde{d}_u - (1.1 \pm 0.55) e \tilde{d}_d + (??) e \tilde{d}_s \\
 & + (50 \pm 40) \text{MeV} e \tilde{d}_G + (??) \text{ four-quark}
 \end{aligned}$$

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- ideally use **lattice QCD** to compute matrix elements
- problem with lattice and EFT: $d_N \sim \sum_i L_i(\mu) \langle N | \mathcal{O}_i^{\overline{\text{MS}}} | N \gamma \rangle$
 $\overline{\text{MS}}$ cannot be implemented on the lattice!
- requires a **matching calculation**

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General procedure

- $\overline{\text{MS}}$: subtraction of $1/\epsilon$ poles in dimensional regularization
- **define renormalized operators** in a scheme amenable to lattice computations
- compute their matrix elements in lattice QCD
- calculate relation between $\overline{\text{MS}}$ and lattice scheme **in perturbation theory** (at $\mu \sim 2 \dots 3 \text{ GeV}$)
- use this matching to derive matrix elements of $\overline{\text{MS}}$ operators

RI schemes

- **Regularization-Independent**
(**S**ymmetric) **MOM**entum-subtraction scheme
→ [Martinelli et al. \(1995\)](#), [Sturm et al. \(2010\)](#)
- impose renormalization conditions on truncated **off-shell Green's functions** for Euclidean momenta
- RI-SMOM: **insert momentum** into operator to suppress unwanted IR effects
- calculation in a **fixed R_ξ gauge**

Matching $\overline{\text{MS}}$ and RI-SMOM

- matching for dimension-5 quark (C)EDM operators:
→ [Bhattacharya et al., PRD **92** \(2015\) 11, 114026](#)
- dimension-6 three-gluon operator $GG\tilde{G}$:
→ [Cirigliano, Mereghetti, Stoffer, JHEP **09** \(2020\) 094](#)
- complications:
 - **huge set of operators** (34 for three-gluon operator), including unphysical ones
 - requires calculation of **many matrix elements**
 - **power divergences** in lattice spacing difficult to tackle

A more promising scheme: gradient flow

→ Lüscher, JHEP **08** (2010) 071, JHEP **04** (2013) 123

- **gradient flow**: introduce new artificial dimension: flow time t (not related to ordinary time)
- boundary condition: ordinary QCD at $t = 0$,
 $B_\mu(t = 0) = G_\mu$, $\chi(t = 0) = \psi$
- gauge-invariant **flow equations**:

$$\partial_t B_\mu = D_\nu G_{\nu\mu}, \quad \partial_t \chi = D^2 \chi$$

- flow acts as a UV regulator

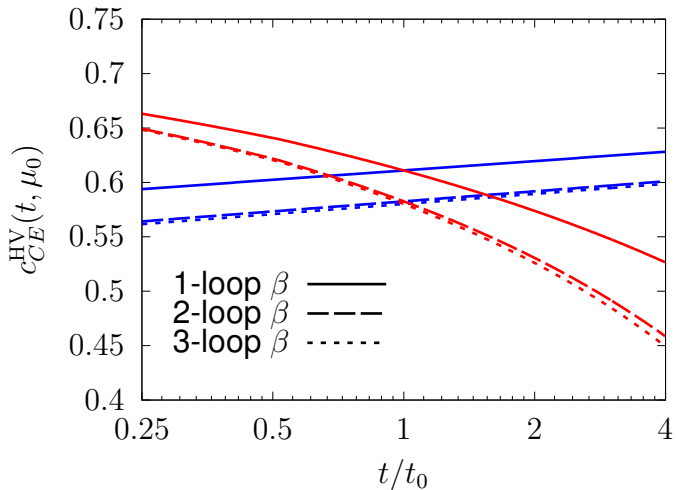
Gradient flow: advantages

- “flowed operators” automatically **UV finite**, apart from quark-field (+ coupling & mass) renormalization
- connect flowed operators with $\overline{\text{MS}}$ operators in perturbation theory
- **gauge-invariant** results
- on the lattice: **continuum limit** for fixed t possible
- **power divergences** no longer in $1/a$, but in $1/t$
⇒ **disentangled from continuum limit**

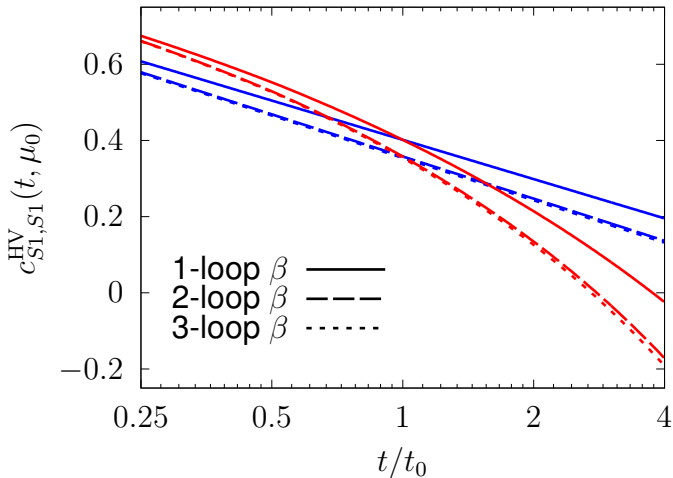
Gradient-flow matching: current status

- dimension-5 quark (C)EDM matched at one loop:
→ [Mereghetti, Monahan, Rizik, Shindler, Stoffer, JHEP 04 \(2022\) 050](#)
- dimension-6 four-quark operators:
→ [Bühler, Stoffer, arXiv:2304.00985 \[hep-lat\]](#)
- dimension-6 CP -odd three-gluon operator:
→ [Lara Crosas, Mereghetti, Monahan, Rizik, Shindler, Stoffer, in progress](#)

Quark CEDM matching coefficient



Four-quark matching coefficient (scalar singlet)



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low-energy precision searches pose interesting

theory challenges:

- given the experimental progress: reach appropriate **theoretical accuracy**
- **model-independent and robust** connection between low-energy physics and UV theories: EFT provide ideal framework, need to control (perturbative) running and mixing effects
- problem at low energies are (huge) **hadronic uncertainties**

Theory challenges

- if using lattice QCD for matrix elements
⇒ **matching calculation** to appropriate scheme
- traditional RI-SMOM schemes very challenging
- recent progress with **gradient flow**: dimension 5 and dimension-6 four-quark completed at one loop
- **matching equations up to dimension 6** nearly completed at one loop
- in some cases, two-loop coefficients would be useful