## Lattice QCD 2011

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QCD is a key part of the Standard Model but quark confinement complicates things.



Cross-sections calculated at high energy using QCD pert. th. NLO gives ~5% errors. Also have pdf and hadronisation uncertainties

But properties of hadrons calculable from QCD if fully nonperturbative calc. is done can test QCD and determine parameters very accurately (1%).





Compare to exptl rate gives  $V_{qq'}$  accurately



Applications of Lattice QCD/Lattice field theory

#### **Particle physics** QCD parameters

Hadron spectrum

Hadron structure

**Nuclear** physics

CKM elements

Theories beyond the Standard Model

Glueballs and exotica QCD at high temperatures and densities

> Nuclear masses and properties

Quantum gravity

**Astrophysics** 

Annual proceedings of lattice conference: http://pos.sissa.it/





# Lattice QCD = fully nonperturbative QCD calculation

### RECIPE

- Generate sets of gluon fields for Monte Carlo integrn of Path Integral (inc effect of u, d and s sea quarks)
  - Calculate averaged "hadron correlators" from valence q props.
  - Fit as a function of time to obtain masses and simple matrix elements
  - Determine a and fix  $m_q$  to get results in physical units.
  - extrapolate to  $a = 0, m_{u,d} = phys$ for real world

Example parameters for calculations now being done. Lots of different formalisms for handling quarks.



#### The gold-plated meson spectrum - HPQCD



Wednesday, 6 April 2011





Excited nucleon spectrum - preliminary calculations inc. the effect of sea quarks, not yet at physical masses.

(J. Foley, talk Mon., Bulava et al, HadSpec, 1004.5072)

### Determining quark masses

Lattice QCD has direct access to parameters in Lagrangian for accurate tuning

- issue is converting to contnm schemes such as  $\overline{MS}$ 

quark mass ratios very accurate: e.g.  $m_c/m_{s}$ ,  $m_b/m_c$ ,  $m_s/m_{u,d}$ 





C. McNeile, CTHD et al, HPQCD, 0910.3102, 1004.4285

Can now rule out some quark mass matrix models ...

**Quark masses** 

C. McNeile, 1004.4985

## 2010: Strong convergence of lattice results for strange quark mass



### Determining $\alpha_s$

Lattice QCD now has several determines of  $\alpha_s$  to 1%. Dominate world average : 0.1184(7)

#### Key points:

- high statistical precision
- high order (NNLO) pert. th. exists and can estimate higher orders
- nonpert. systs. not a significant issue
- approaches very different good test

see 2011 Munich alphas workshop



Y decays  $\tau$  decays DIS  $[F_2]$ DIS  $[e,p \rightarrow jets]$ e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>[jets shps] electroweak e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup>[jets shps] HPQCD: wloops HPQCD: heavy q corrs JLQCD: light q. vac. poln World average: Bethke 0908.1135

CTHD et al, HPQCD 0807.1687; 1004.4285; JLQCD, 1002.0371. Determining the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix









### In progress: improving lattice QCD calculation of $f_+(q^2)$

J. Koponen, HPQCD, Monday afternoon talk



Comparison to expt will provide more detailed test of QCD. Note how form factor same for different processes all involving  $c \rightarrow s$ decay.

B results less accurate : use of nonrelativistic effective theories gives  $\sim 5\%$  normln uncty. Future: use relativistic formalism even for b quarks - needs very fine lattices ...



### Neutral K and B mixing and oscillations

Result from "box diagram". Calculate in lattice QCD





2010 lattice QCD : New  $B_K$  results leads to 3% error.

Average: 0.737(20)



 $\propto f_B^2 B_B$ 



#### Other results



New £13M HPC facility for UKQCD consortium + Virgo, Cosmos, Miracle .. funded by STFC + LFCF DiRAC = Distributed Research using Advanced Computing



2-rack BG/P system at Swansea - BG/Q at \_\_\_\_\_ Edinburgh later this year.

International collaborn growing feature of lattice QCD ...

clusters in Cambridge, Liverpool, Plymouth, Southampton

- Darwin cluster, Cambridge



## Conclusion

• very accurate results are available now from lattice QCD for QCD parameters and for simple hadron masses and decay matrix elements important for flavour physics.

## Future

• sets of '2nd generation' gluon configs will have  $m_{u,d}$  at physical value (so no extrapoln) or

*a* down to 0.03fm (so b quarks are 'light') *or much* higher statistics (for harder hadrons) also can include charm in the sea now.

- Pushing errors down to 1% level for B physics still a lot of work but for ratios will be possible.
- Harder calculations (flavor singlet, excited states, nuclear physics) will improve

#### A Very Good Error Budget Look at error budgets to se how things will improve (in fortission)...

stats

tuning

chiral

#### continuum

$$\Delta_q = 2m_{Dq} - m_{\eta c}$$

	$f_K/f_{\pi}$	$f_K$	$f_{\pi}$	$f_{D_s}/f_D$	$f_{D_s}$	$f_D$	$\Delta_s/\Delta_d$
$r_1$ uncerty.	0.3	1.1	1.4	0.4	1.0	1.4	0.7
$a^2$ extrap.	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.5
Finite vol.	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.3	0.1	0.3	0.1
$m_{u/d}$ extrap.	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.2
Stat. errors	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.6
<i>m<sub>s</sub></i> evoln.	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.5
$m_d$ , QED, etc.	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.5
Total %	0.6	1.3	1.7	0.9	1.3	1.8	1.2

## Lattice QCD is definitely useful!