Lattice Field Theory @ CERN

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Lattice QCD (John, Martin & Stefan)

- Shed light on dynamical mechanisms
- Mass spectrum & hadron matrix elements
- → Precision tests of low-energy QCD

Current challenges

- ★ Continuum limit at physical quark masses
- ★ Multi-particle states in the inelastic region
- ★ Exponential signal-to-noise problem (baryons, non-zero density)

See http://cern.ch/luscher/ for lectures, talks and other material

QCD-like theories (Agostino & Liam)

- Develop qualitative understanding of conformal and near-conformal theories
- Clarify role of the conformal anomaly
- Compute anomalous dimensions and couplings at long distances

We are a small team

- ⇒ "Industrial" lattice QCD is not an option
- ⇒ Focus on developing new concepts & techniques
- ⇒ Networking is important (ALPHA, CLS, ...)

CLS, for example, recently won 110M core hours from PRACE, which will be used for some competitive simulations of 3-flavour QCD.

We provided the simulation code and will have access to the generated representative ensembles of field configurations.