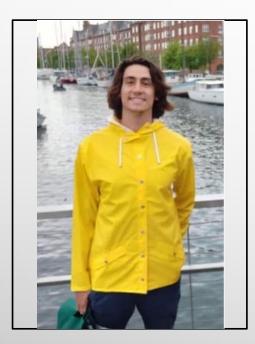


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 WITHIN EFT
- USE DFT TO OBTAIN ELECTRON-WAVEFUNCTIONS
- CALCULATE SCATTERING RATES FOR EXISTING AND FUTURE DIRECT DETECTION EXPERIMENTS.