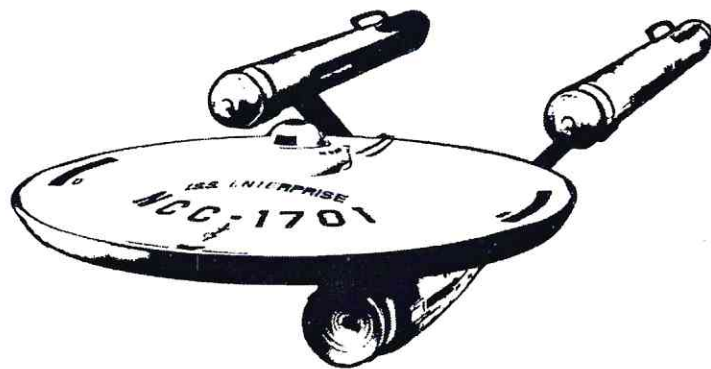


Effective Field Theories Beyond Colliders

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Effective Field Theories

Are valid quantum field theories with a limited range of validity and often constructed with a specific scope in mind.

- Given the observational and theoretical shortcomings of the SM, we expect it to be an EFT as well.
- EFTs allow us to disentangle the relevant from the less relevant effects in a given problem.

Quiz

Problems or
Puzzles in
Particle
Physics

Effective Field
Theories associated/
helpful to
current issues

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ν - Masses

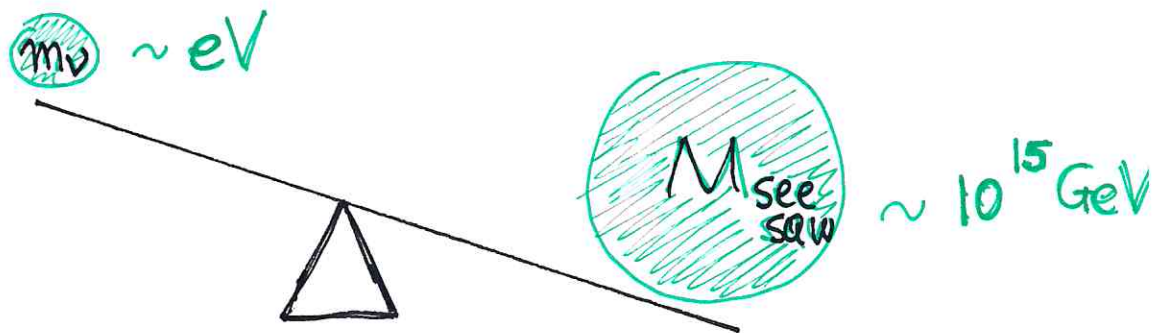
$$m_\nu \sim 1\text{eV}$$

Dim-4 Standard Model

$$m_\nu = 0$$

UV Models for ν -mass generation

Seesaw Models

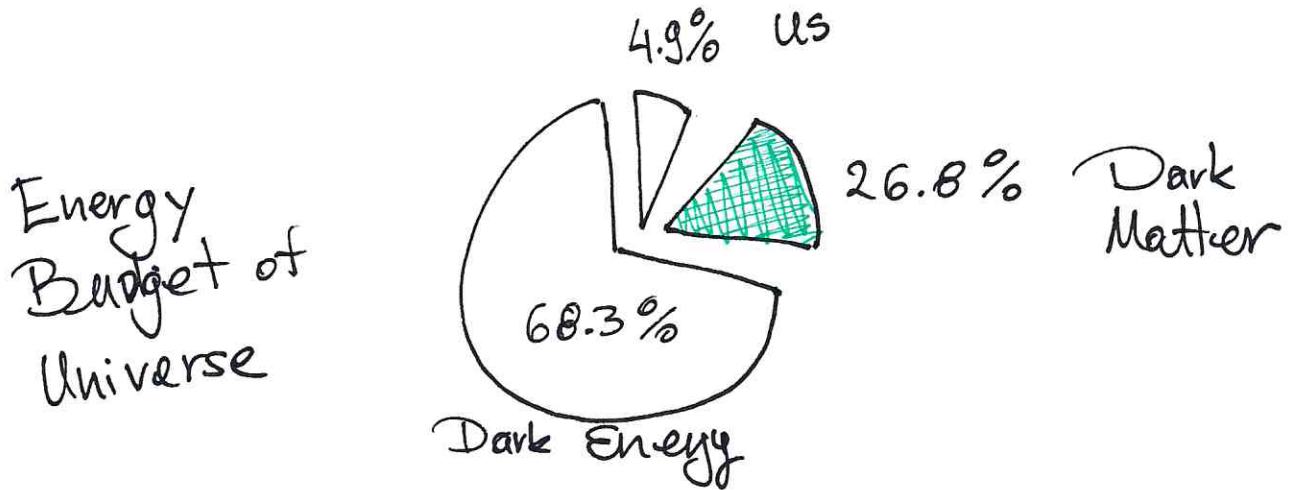


EFT: dim-5 Weinberg Operator

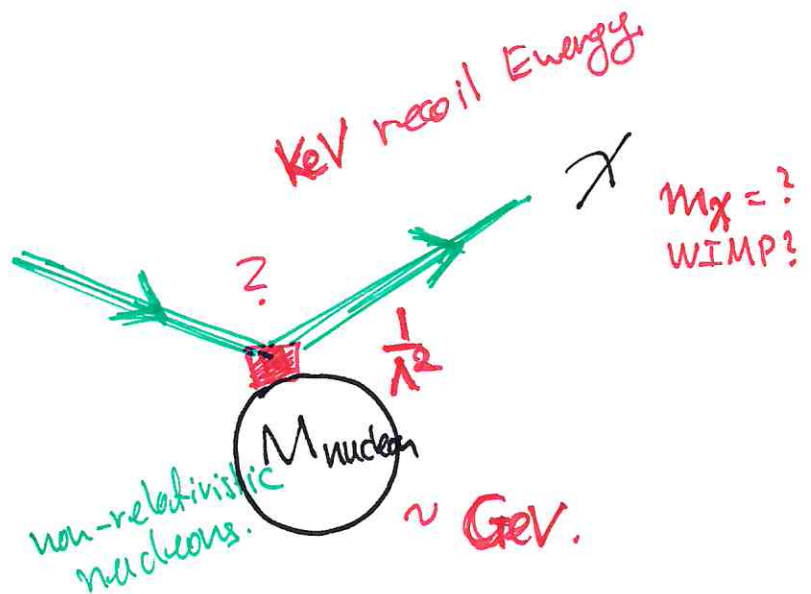
$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{C}{\Lambda_{\text{seesaw}}} (\bar{L}^c \tilde{H}^*) (\tilde{H}^\dagger L) + \text{h.c.}$$

1 - number violation

Dark Matter



Direct Detection Experiments



Dark-Matter-EFT from quarks to non-rel. nucleons.

$$\int \chi \supset \frac{C}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi) (\bar{q} \gamma^\mu P_{L/R} q)$$

$$\text{or } \frac{C}{\Lambda} (\bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \chi) F_{\mu\nu}$$

or ...

Baryogenesis

Origin of Matter-Antimatter Asymmetry.

One possible solution EW Baryogenesis

→ need new sources of CP violation

→ modify EW Phase-Transition to 1st order Phase-Tr.

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{C}{\Lambda_{CP}^2} H^\dagger H \bar{Q} H L + \text{h.c.}$$

$$+ \frac{C'}{\Lambda_{CP}} (H^\dagger H)^3$$

[Hebe, Pospelov, Ritz
Ramsey-Musolf 12]

$\Lambda \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ for successful EW Baryogenesis

Strong CP Problem

Why is the neutron EDM so small? $\Rightarrow \Theta_{\text{QCD}} \approx 0$

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \Theta_{\text{QCD}} G \tilde{G}$$

$< 10^{-10} \quad ???$

Axion - EFT

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a + \frac{a}{f_{\text{PQ}}} G \tilde{G}$$

Dynamically solves the Strong CP Problem

Invisible Axion Models

$$f_{\text{PQ}} \gg v_{\text{ew}} \approx 246 \text{ GeV}$$

Hierarchy Problem of Higgs Mass

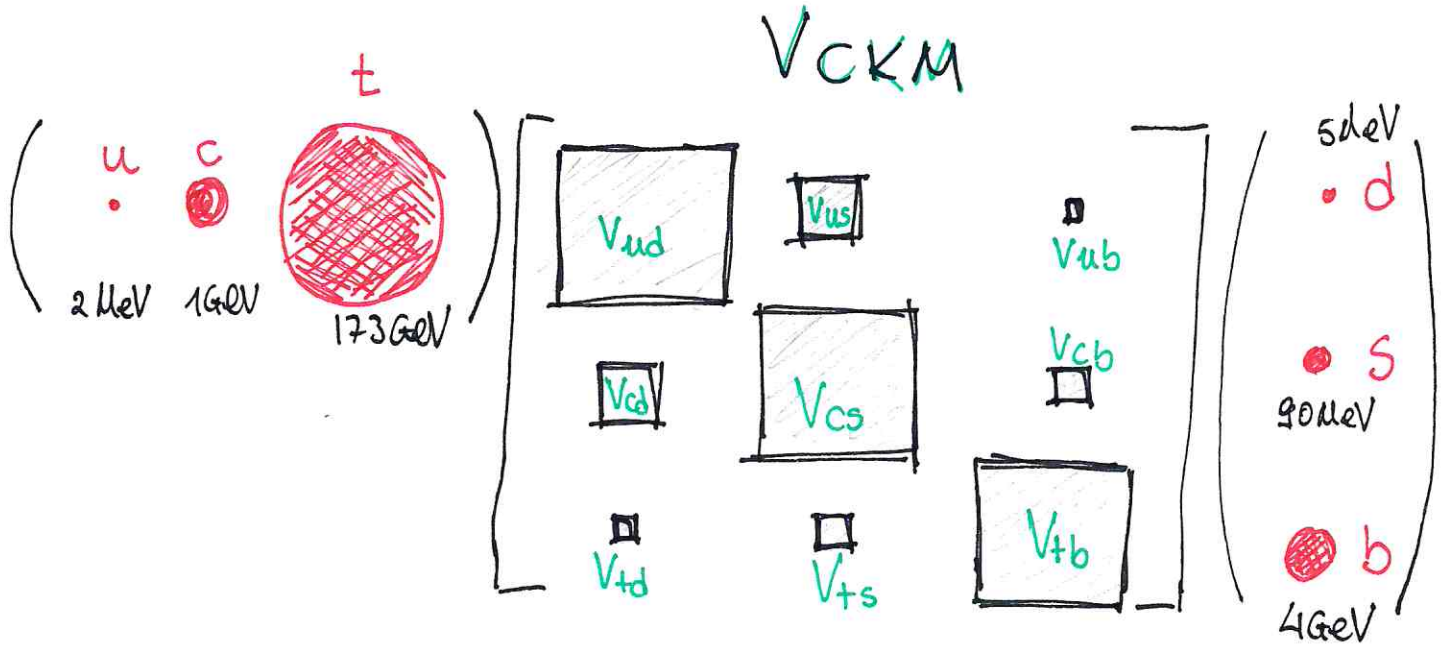
→ Stability / Calculability of
the Higgs mass in the
presence of New-Dynamics

Only mass-parameter in
SM.

$$\mathcal{L} \supset - \left(\mu^2 + \underbrace{\Lambda_{NP}^2}_{\substack{2 \\ 0}} \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \right) H^\dagger H + \dots$$

If $\Lambda_{NP} \sim g v_{ew}$ where are the
new states.

Flavour Puzzle

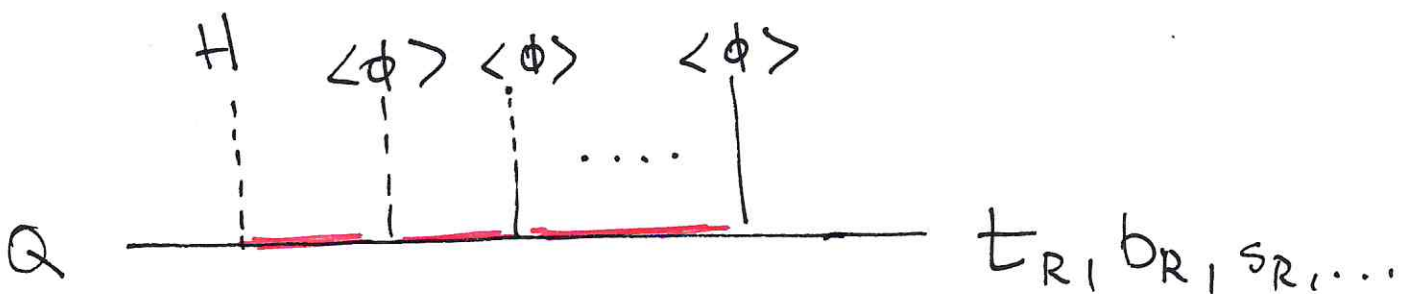


One solution Froggatt-Nielsen Models.

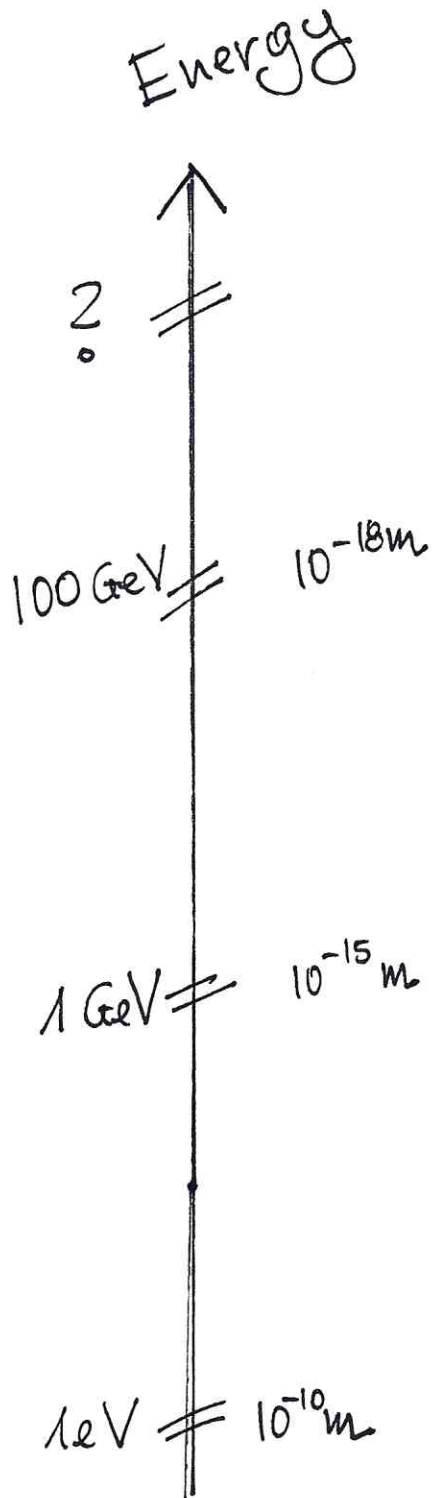
$\mathcal{L}_{Yukawa} \propto \left(\frac{\langle \phi \rangle}{\Lambda_{Flavour}} \right)^{q_Q + q_t} \bar{Q} H t + h.c.$

Flavour vevs. \rightarrow FN charges.

dimensionless. $\Lambda_{Flavour}$ not set!



Tower of EFTs



2 stops, Top-partner, leptoquarks, N_R 's, Z' , ...

quarks, W^\pm , Z , h , ...

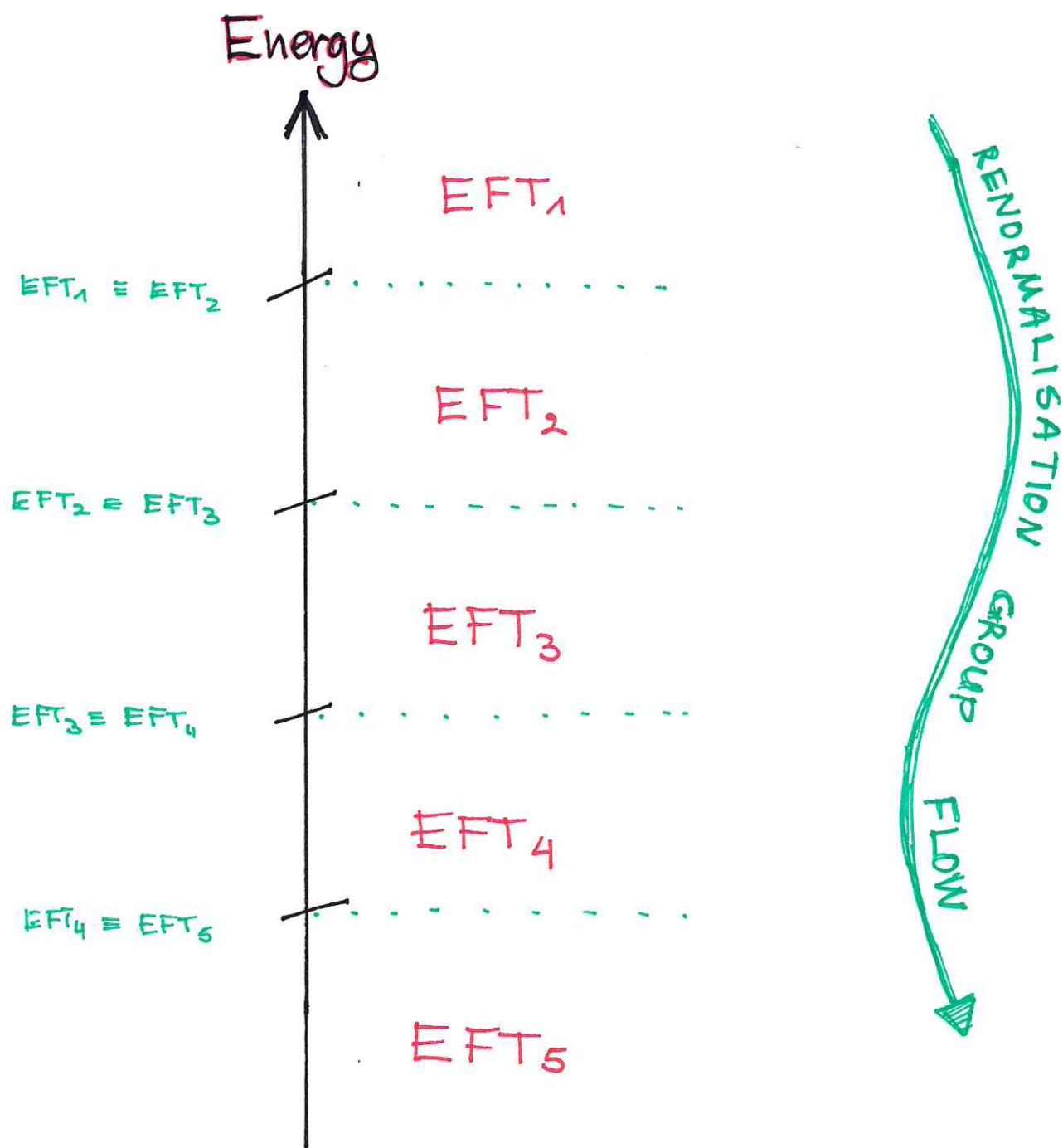
quarks, photons, gluons, ...

hadrons: $\pi^\pm \pi^0$, ρ , B , n , p , ...

ν , atoms + ? missing light d.o.f. axions?

→ Every energy scale has its own periodic table

→ The appropriate d.o.f depend on the Energy.



The study of the Renormalisation Group enables us to combine EFTs and obtain both qualitative and quantitative control of dynamics at various scales

The power of EFTs at the era of LHC.

Precision

Correlation of Signals

Modelbuilding Guidance

Goal of these lectures

Highlight the usefulness and required methodology for EFTs in terms of phenomenologically relevant examples.

Precision:

most relevant for SM predictions with NP sensitivity

example: FCNC observable ϵ_K .

Correlation of signals:

Higgs \mathcal{CP} and EDMs within SMEFT

Modelbuilding: Guidance

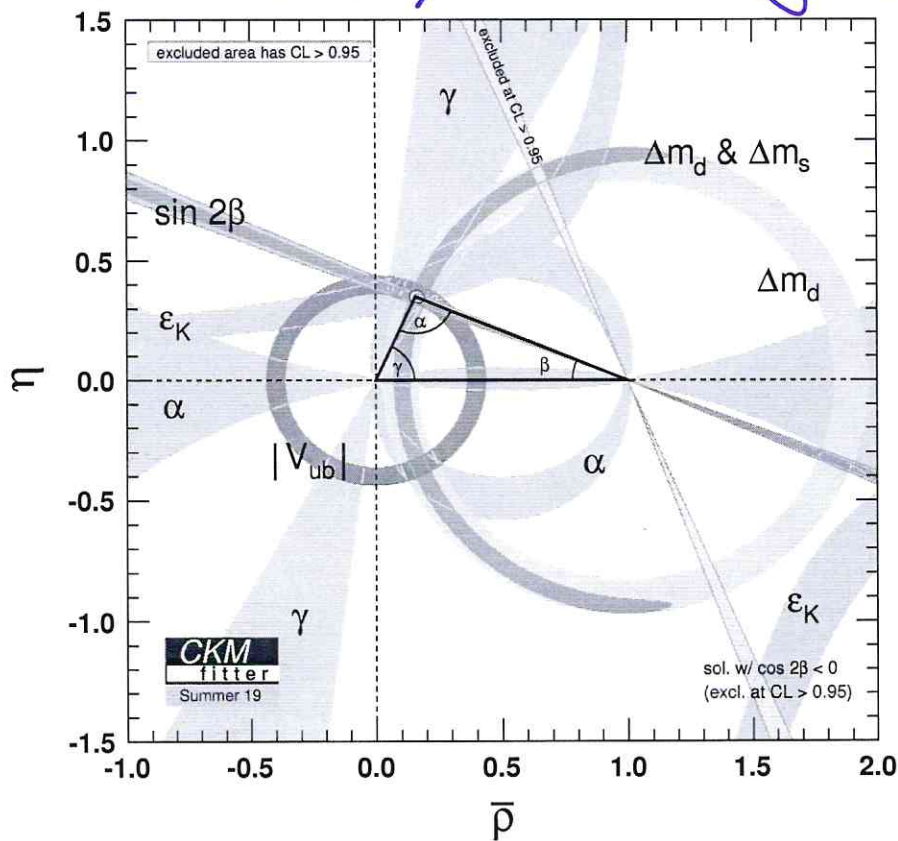
The Strong-CP Problem and Axion EFT

EFTs for
Precision SM

Quark-flavour-violating observables strongly constrain NP models with $\Lambda_{NP} \sim \Lambda_{EW}$

NP Flavour Problem

CKM Unitarity Triangle



question: Why are q-FCNCs quite suppressed in the SM?

$$\mathcal{L}_{FI}^{SM} \supset y_{ij}^u \bar{Q}_i \tilde{H} u_j + y_{ij}^d \bar{Q}_i H d_j$$

Many interesting observables at LHC, Belle-II
+ anomalies at LHCb R_K , $B \rightarrow K^* \mu \mu$.

Kaon Sector \rightarrow Most stringent constraint

ϵ_K , ϵ'/ϵ , $K \rightarrow \pi \nu \nu$, $K_L \rightarrow \mu \mu$

ϵ_K : ~~CP~~ in $K - \bar{K}$

$$\mathcal{L}_{NP} = \frac{C}{\Lambda_{NP}^2} (\bar{s} \Gamma d)(\bar{s} \Gamma d) + \text{h.c.}$$

ϵ_K excluded composite-Higgs models
with anarchic Yukawas!

Success of flavour observables as NP probes
relies heavily on EFT computations.

ϵ_K : indirect CP in $K - \bar{K}$
 (if CP is conserved $K_L \not\rightarrow \pi\pi$, but mixing allows it)

$$\epsilon_K \equiv \frac{\langle (\pi\pi)_{I=0} | K_L \rangle}{\langle (\pi\pi)_{I=0} | K_S \rangle}$$

= interesting details

= more interesting details

$$= e^{i\varphi_\epsilon} \sin \varphi_\epsilon \left[\frac{\text{Im} \langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H} | K^0 \rangle}{\Delta M_K} + \dots \right]$$

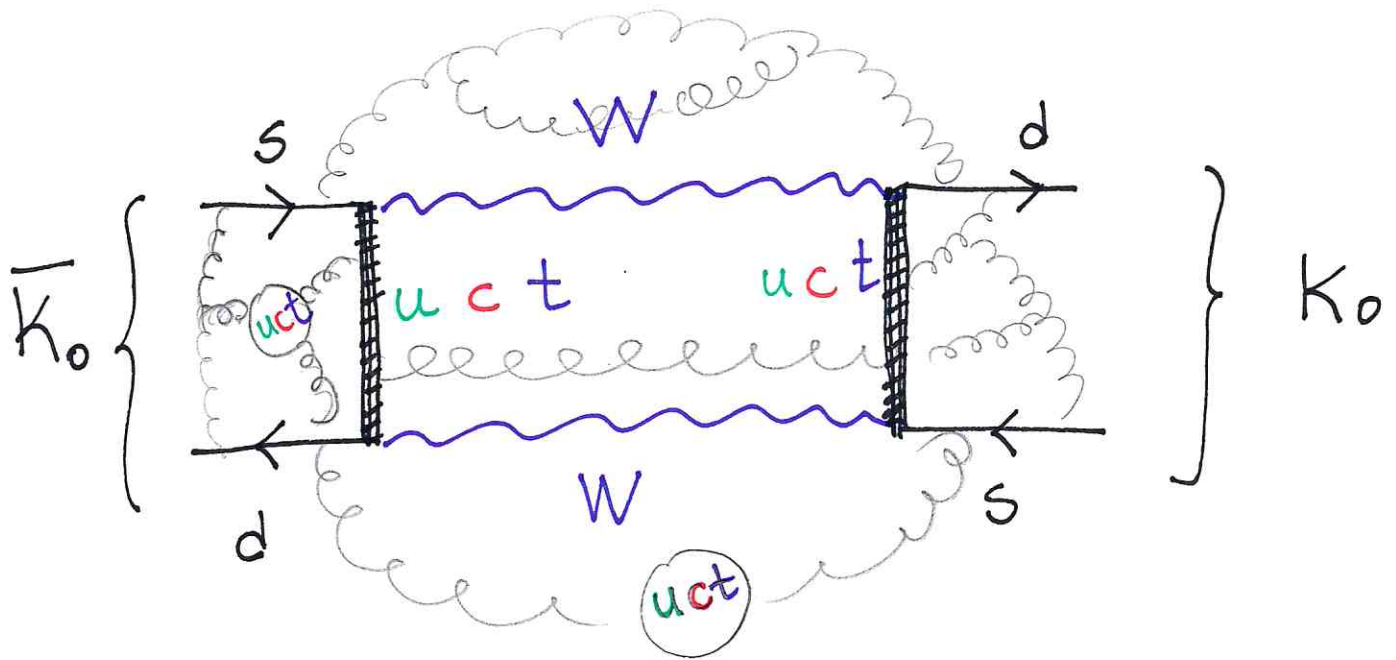
from experiment.

non perturbative
Cronin

How would you compute

$$\text{Im} \langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H} | K^0 \rangle \quad ?$$

$$\text{Im} \langle \bar{K}_0 | \mathcal{H} | K_0 \rangle$$



Problem has many dynamical scales

$$\Lambda_{EW} \sim M_W, m_t \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$$

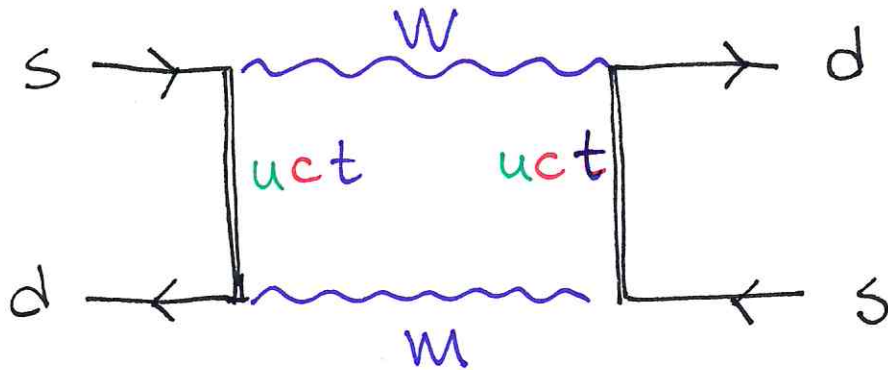
$$\Lambda_{\text{charm}} \sim m_c \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Lambda_{QCD} \sim m_K \sim 500 \text{ MeV}$$

TOO COMPLICATED

- Are the gluons hard or soft?
- What value of α_s shall we use in logarithms (large) $\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \log \frac{m_t}{m_c}$?

Dimensional and Wolfenstein parameter counting for ϵ_K



$$\lambda_q \equiv V_{qd} V_{qs}^*$$

CKM unitarity: $\lambda_u + \lambda_c + \lambda_t = 0$

$\epsilon_K \rightarrow$ Imaginary Part of Amplitude

~~Three~~ **Two** contributions

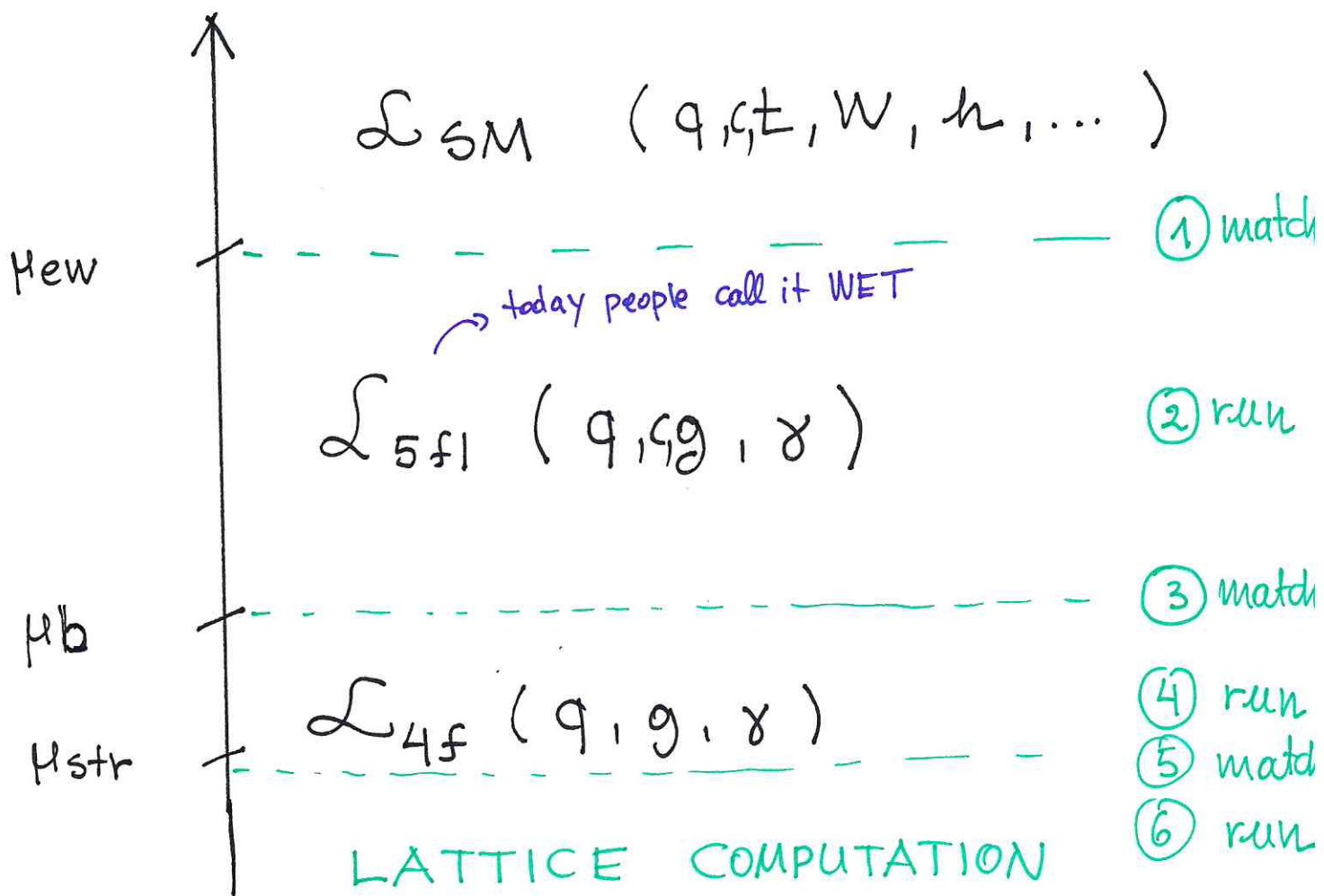
$$\lambda \approx V_{us} = 0.23$$

$$\lambda_t^2 \frac{m_t^2}{M_W^2} \approx \lambda^{10} \frac{m_t^2}{M_W^2} \sim 10^{-6}$$

$$\lambda_u \lambda_t \frac{m_c^2}{M_W^2} \underbrace{\log \frac{m_c}{M_W}}_{\text{EFT result}} \approx \lambda^6 \frac{m_c^2}{M_W^2} \log \frac{m_c}{M_W} \sim 10^{-7}$$

GIM cannot neglect "c" !! compare

Setting up the EFT computation



Each step is an individual computation, which - in this case - can be performed in perturbation theory.

Step 1: Match SM with S_{eff} -theory.

Power of EFT computation

- neglect all masses apart from those we integrate out (M_W, m_t, M_Z, M_H) (or expand when no LO effect)
- here no relevant kinematic scale (like p_T). Can expand in powers of external momenta (like in Fermi Theory)
- Multiple ways to perform the matching. One that extends well beyond LO is to match off shell 1LPI amplitudes between SM and S_{eff} .

$$A_{\text{SM}}^{\text{1LPI}}(\mu_{\text{EW}}) \stackrel{!}{=} A_{S_{\text{eff}}}^{\text{1LPI}}(\mu_{\text{EW}})$$

Other ways also possible (functional method the Covariant Derivative Expansion, etc).

Step 1: The SM side

The top-quark contribution

\mathcal{L}_{SM} : massive t, W, Z, h

Compute the part of the Amplitude proportional to $\lambda_t^2 = (V_{td} V_{ts}^*)^2$ in perturbation theory and renormalise

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A}_{SM}^{ILPI, t}(Hew) = & \left[\begin{array}{c} s \rightarrow \text{---} \rightarrow d \\ \text{---} \leftarrow d \end{array} \right]_{\lambda_t^2} \left. \vphantom{\left[\begin{array}{c} s \rightarrow \text{---} \rightarrow d \\ \text{---} \leftarrow d \end{array} \right]} \right\} \alpha_s^0 \text{ LO} \\
 + & \left[\begin{array}{c} s \rightarrow \text{---} \rightarrow d \\ \text{---} \leftarrow d \end{array} \right]_{\lambda_t^2} + \dots \left. \vphantom{\left[\begin{array}{c} s \rightarrow \text{---} \rightarrow d \\ \text{---} \leftarrow d \end{array} \right]} \right\} \frac{\alpha_s^{GSI}}{4\pi} \text{ NLO} \\
 + & \left[\begin{array}{c} s \rightarrow \text{---} \rightarrow d \\ \text{---} \leftarrow d \end{array} \right]_{\lambda_t^2} + \dots \left. \vphantom{\left[\begin{array}{c} s \rightarrow \text{---} \rightarrow d \\ \text{---} \leftarrow d \end{array} \right]} \right\} \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{GSI}}{4\pi} \right)^2 \text{ NNLO} \\
 + & \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

Step 1: The EFT side
 The top-quark contribution

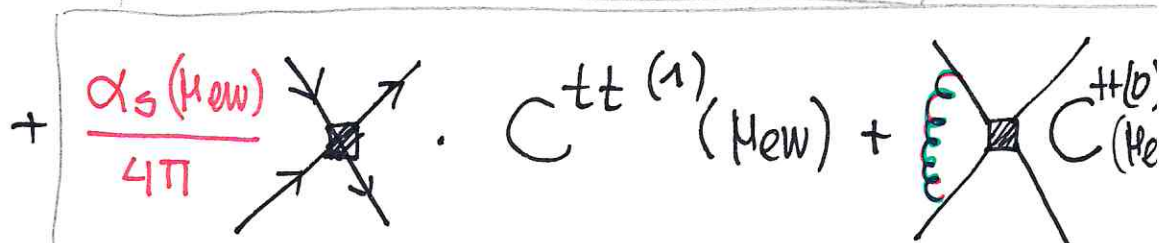
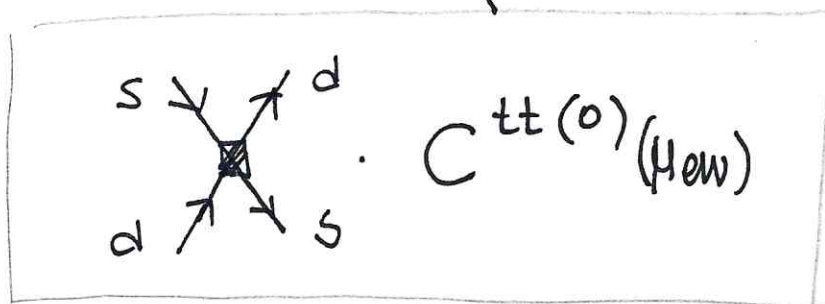
$$\mathcal{L}_{5\text{fl}}^{\Delta S=2} = \frac{G_F^2 M_W^2}{4\pi^2} Q_{S2} \left(\lambda_t^2 C^{tt} + \lambda_u^2 C^{uu} + \lambda_u \lambda_t C^{ut} + \text{h.c.} \right)$$

$$Q_{S2} = (\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu d_L)(\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu d_L)$$

Expansion of Wilson Coefficient

$$C^{tt}(\mu_{ew}) = C^{tt(0)}(\mu_{ew}) + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu_{ew})}{4\pi} C^{tt(1)}(\mu_{ew}) + \dots$$

$$A_{5\text{fl}}^{1LPI,t}(\mu_{ew}) = i \frac{G_F^2 M_W^2}{4\pi^2} \left(\right.$$



Step 1: Matching

$$A_{\text{LPI}}^{\text{SM},t}(\mu_{\text{ew}}) \stackrel{!}{=} A_{\text{LPI}}^{\text{Sfl},t}(\mu_{\text{ew}})$$

By comparing the Amplitudes we obtain in perturbation theory

- $C^{tt(0)}(\mu_{\text{ew}})$ = function of m_t, M_W

- $C^{tt(1)}(\mu_{\text{ew}})$ = function of m_t, M_W

- \vdots

EFT "Magic": We don't need to worry about IR divergences because per definition the IR structure of full and EFT theory must be the same. IR poles must cancel in matching

Step 2: RG Flow in EFT

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{G_F^2 M_W^2}{4\pi^2} \lambda_t^2 C^{tt} Q_{S2}$$

Question: We computed $C^{tt}(\mu_{ew})$
but how do we evolve
this to the next scale?

Hints : • An EFT is still a QFT.

- How do you compute the running of α_s (and receive the Nobel price for asymptotic freedom)?

Step 2: RG Flow in EFT

Just like in renormalisable theories also here divergences must be absorbed in a redefinition/renormalisation of couplings.

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{G_F^2 M_W^2}{4\pi^2} \lambda_t^2 C^{tt, \text{bare}} (\bar{s}_L^{\text{bare}} \gamma^\mu d_L^{\text{bare}})$$

$$= \frac{G_F^2 M_W^2}{4\pi^2} \lambda_t^2 Z C^{tt} Z_f^2 (\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu d_L)^2$$

$$Z_f = 1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} Z_f^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi}\right)^2 Z_f^{(2)} + \dots$$

from  + ...

What about Z ? Renormalise $\bar{s}_L d_L \rightarrow \bar{d}_L s_L$ amplitude

$$\text{Diagram 1} + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} Z_f^{(1)} \text{Diagram 2} + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} Z^{(1)} \text{Diagram 3}$$

must be finite $\rightarrow Z^{(1)}$

Step 2: RG Flow in EFT

From Z - constants to RGE (in \overline{MS})

Bare quantities do not depend on μ .
($\alpha_s^{\text{bare}} = Z_{\alpha_s} \alpha_s(\mu) \mu^{2\epsilon}$)

$$0 \stackrel{!}{=} \frac{d}{d \log \mu} C^{\text{bare}}$$

$$= \frac{d}{d \log \mu} Z C$$

$$= \frac{dZ}{d \log \mu} C + Z \frac{dC}{d \log \mu}$$

\Leftrightarrow

$$\frac{dC}{d \log \mu} = - \frac{d \log Z}{d \log \mu} C$$

$$\frac{dC(\mu)}{d \log \mu} \equiv \gamma C(\mu)$$

Anomalous Dimension γ
and the RGE
of C

Step 2: RG Flow in EFT

We can solve and resum large logarithms $\left(\alpha_s \log \frac{\mu_{low}}{\mu_{EW}} \right)^n$ by

solving the RGE

$$\frac{dC}{d \log \mu} = \gamma C$$

Solution

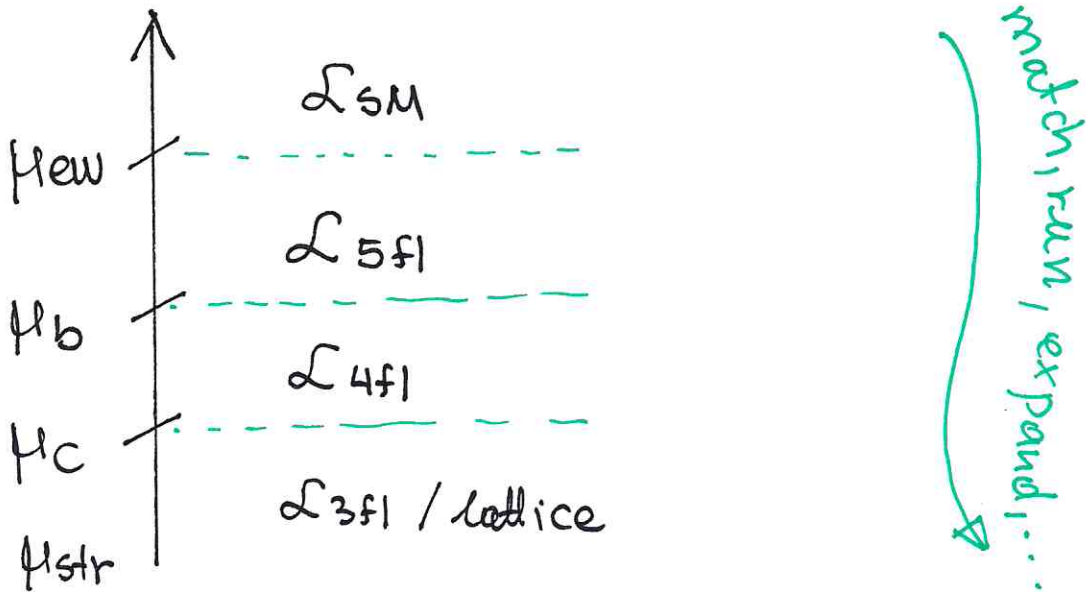
$$C(\mu_{low}) = U(\mu_{low}, \mu_{EW}) C(\mu_{EW})$$

$$U(\mu_{low}, \mu_{EW}) = \exp \left[\int_{g_s(\mu_{EW})}^{g_s(\mu_{low})} dg' \frac{\gamma(g')}{b(g')} \right]$$

It can be shown that this resums all powers $(\alpha_s \log(\mu_{low}/\mu_{EW}))^n$!

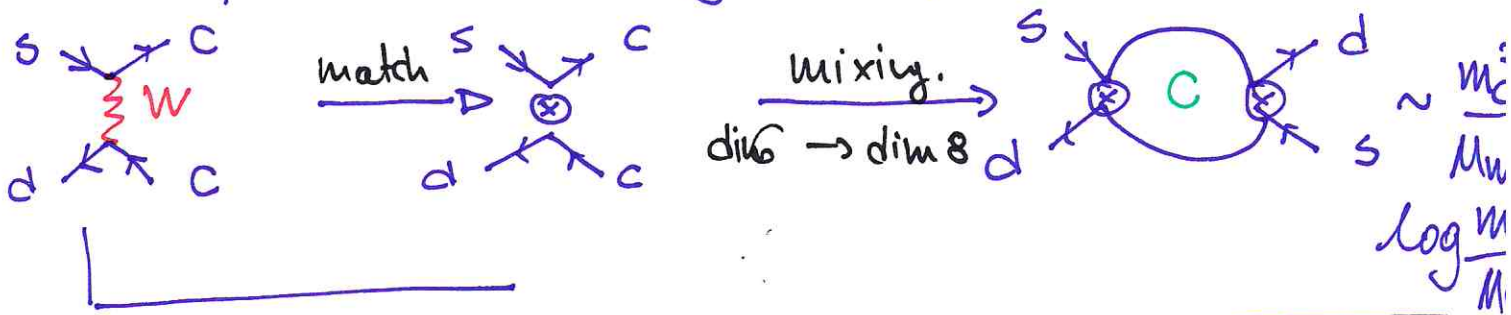
\mathcal{E}_k

The EFT tower



[The top-charm contribution is tougher but the principles are the same!]

Complication: Mixing of operators



EFT \rightarrow FACTORISATION of Scales

$$\langle \bar{K}_0 | \mathcal{H} | K_0 \rangle = \underbrace{\langle Q \rangle}_{\text{LATTICE}} (\mu_{had}) U(\mu_{had}, \mu_c)^*$$

LATTICE

Perturbative EFT.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} U(\mu_b, \mu_{ew})^* \\ C(\mu_{ew}) \end{array} \right.$$

Precision EFT

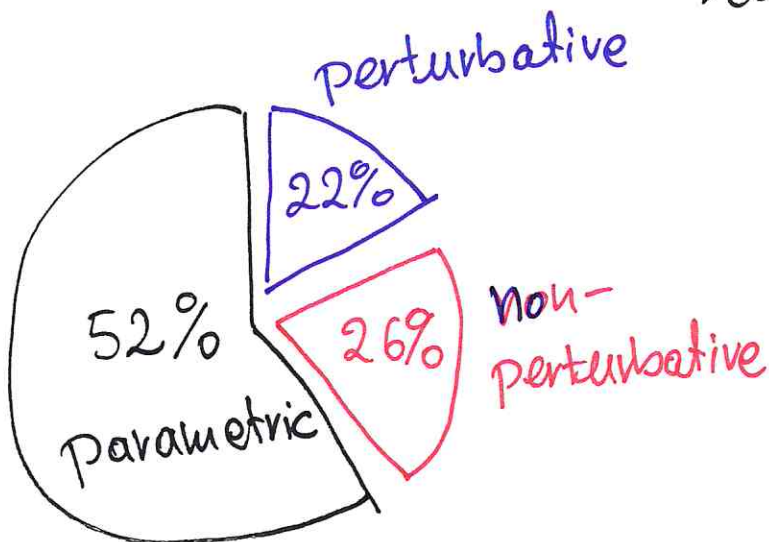
$$|\epsilon_K| = \kappa_\epsilon C_\epsilon \hat{B}_K |V_{cb}|^2 \lambda^2 \bar{n}^2 \times$$

$$\times \left[|V_{cb}|^2 (1-\bar{p}) \underbrace{n_{tt}}_{\substack{\text{QCD} \\ \text{correction} \\ \text{for top-quark} \\ \text{cont.}}} S_t - \underbrace{n_{ut}}_{\substack{\text{QCD} \\ \text{correction} \\ \text{for charm-top} \\ \text{contr.}}} S_{ut} \right]$$

$$n_{tt} = 1 @ LO, 0.55(2) @ NLL$$

$$n_{ut} = 1 @ LO, 0.402(5) @ NLL$$

↖ ↗
large QCD corrections.



$$|\epsilon_K|^{SM} = 2.16(6)(8)(15) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$|\epsilon_K|^{exp} = 2.228(11) \times 10^{-3}$$

The power of EFTs at the era of LHC

Precision

Take-Away Points

- Tower of EFTs \equiv RG flow
- Separation / Factorisation of dynamical scales
- EFTs only way towards accurate prediction.
- Precision computations most impactful once a model (e.g. SM) fixed. (not easy without)

The power of EFTs at
the era of LHC

Correlation of NP
Signals

Careful: Correlations are only possible
with a certain model-frame-
work.

EFT are models, they
come with their own assumption

(e.g. SMEFT linear realisation of
 $SU(2) \times SU(3)_c \rightarrow U(1)_{em}$
↓
HEFT/chiral EFT non-linear realisation
of $SU(2) \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)$

Nevertheless: As we saw, many UV models
can match to the same EFT
⇒ EFT analysis captures many mod

Correlation of NP Signals

Setup: - so far no clear signal of particles beyond the SM from direct production.

at the LHC (Hierarchy of $m_{EW} \ll \Lambda_{NP}$)

- EW-precision tests compatible with linear EW-symmetry-breaking pattern

(The Higgs particle is part of the Higgs Doublet field.)

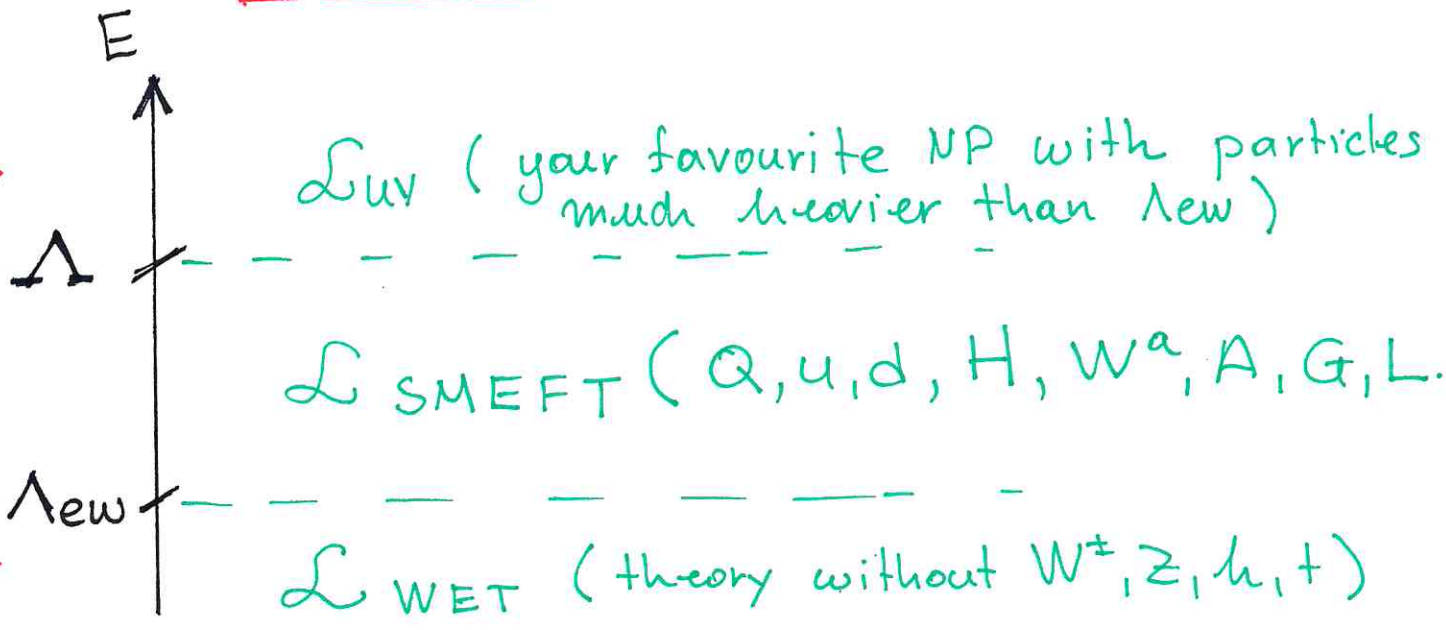
SMEFT is the EFT framework that extends dim-4 SM with

higher-dim operators with the

power counting assumption $m_{EW} \ll \Lambda_{NP}$

SMEFT

scale separation



Example: Integrate / Match out ν_R from Seesaw models \rightarrow dim-5 Weinberg operator for ν -Masses.

PROS : we can map data from $\#$ multiple frontiers (intensity / high-pt) to same theory

	#	$N_f = 1$	$N_f = 3 \dots$
CONS :	dim - 5	2	12
	dim - 6	84	3045
	:		
	:		

[see Henning et al 15]

SMEFT vs SM

SM : 19 free real parameters

($g_1 g_2 g_3 \theta_{\text{QCD}} \mu^2 \lambda m_e m_p m_\tau m_\mu m_c m_t$
 $m_d m_s m_b \lambda A \bar{p} \bar{n}$)



SMEFT: 3129 free real parameters
dim 5 + 6



Need either : a concrete Model
or : additional assumptions

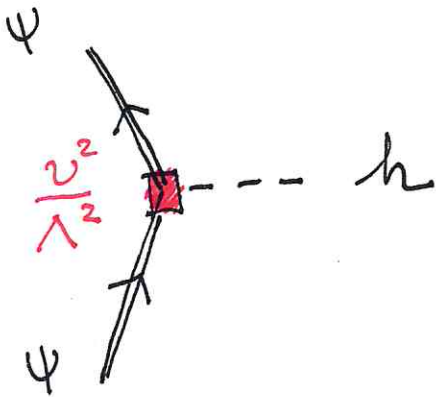
(eg MFV couplings for flavour-violation
restrict to operators with
tree-level contributions to
certain observables, etc...)

SMEFT

Higgs CP Violation & EDMs

Motivation: EW Baryogenesis

→ new sources of CP



$$\frac{c}{\Lambda_{CP}^2} (H^\dagger H) (\bar{Q} H \epsilon) + \text{h.c.}$$

→ 1 TeV for successful Baryogenesis.

Flavour Violation + CP Violation → FCNCs.

Flavour Conservation + CP Violation → EDMs.

LHC limited sensitivity to Higgs CP

EDM / LHC complementarity

SMEFT Model-Assumption

Restrict to operators that modify Higgs (flavour conserving) Yukawas including CP violation

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \sum_{ij} \frac{C_{ij}^{(+)}}{\Lambda^2} (H^\dagger H) (\bar{F}_L^i H f_R^j + \bar{f}_R^j H^\dagger F_L^i) \quad \text{CP conserving}$$

$$+ \sum_{ij} \frac{C_{ij}^{(-)}}{\Lambda^2} (H^\dagger H) i (\bar{F}_L^i H f_R^j - \bar{f}_R^j H^\dagger F_L^i) \quad \text{CP violating.}$$

BROKEN PHASE
ROTATION TO MASS BASIS

like in extended
K-framework.

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \left[\frac{C^+ \cos \theta - C^- \sin \theta}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} - \frac{m_f}{v} \right] h \bar{f} f$$

$$+ \left[\frac{C^- \cos \theta + C^+ \sin \theta}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \right] h \bar{f} i \gamma_5 f$$

$$\left\{ \sin \theta \equiv \frac{C^- v}{2\sqrt{2} m} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \right\}$$

SMEFT Restrictions

"model" assumptions

Restrict to operators that modify Higgs Yukawas including CP violation
CP conserving

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \frac{C_+}{\Lambda^2} (H^\dagger H) (\bar{Q}_L H q_R + \text{h.c.})$$

$$+ \frac{C_-}{\Lambda^2} i (H^\dagger H) (\bar{Q}_L H q_R - \text{h.c.})$$

CP violating.

Broken Phase

Rotation to mass eigenstates

$$\mathcal{L}_\kappa \supset -\frac{y^{\text{SM}}}{\sqrt{2}} \kappa h \bar{q} (\cos \phi + i \sin \phi \gamma_5) q$$

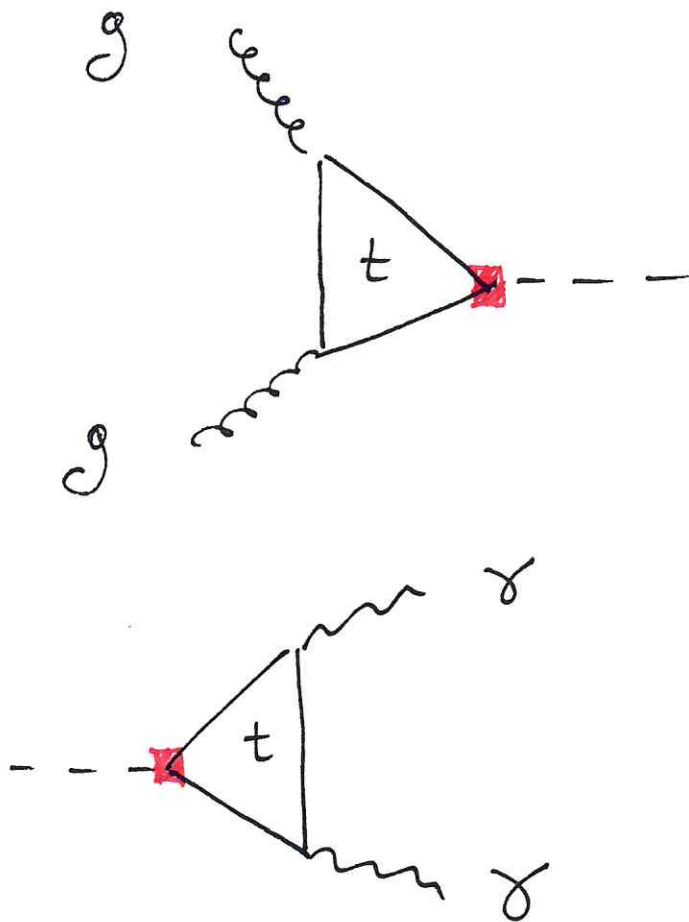
$$= \left[\frac{C_+ \cos \theta - C_- \sin \theta}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} - \frac{m_f}{v} \right] h \bar{f} f$$

$$+ \left[\frac{C_- \cos \theta + C_+ \sin \theta}{2\sqrt{2}} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2} \right] h \bar{f} i \gamma_5 f$$

with $\sin \theta \equiv \frac{C_- v}{2\sqrt{2} m} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda^2}$

~~CP~~ Higgs Yukawas @ LHC

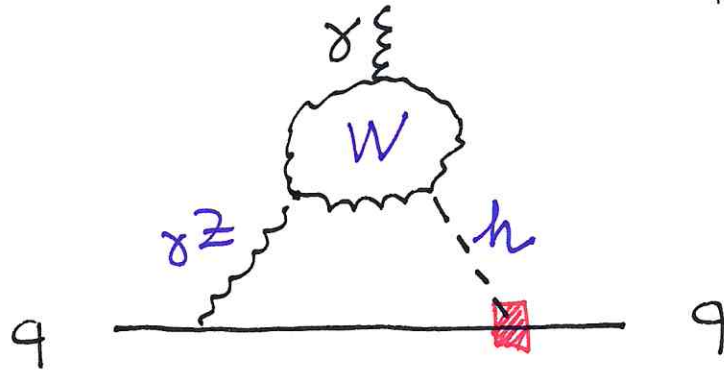
Limited sensitivity at LHC
in particular for light fermions



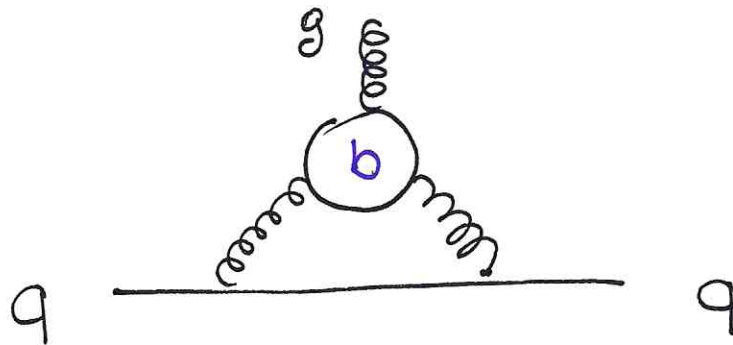
Difficult to disentangle CP violating from
CP conserving contributions.

~~CP~~ Higgs Yukawas & EDMs

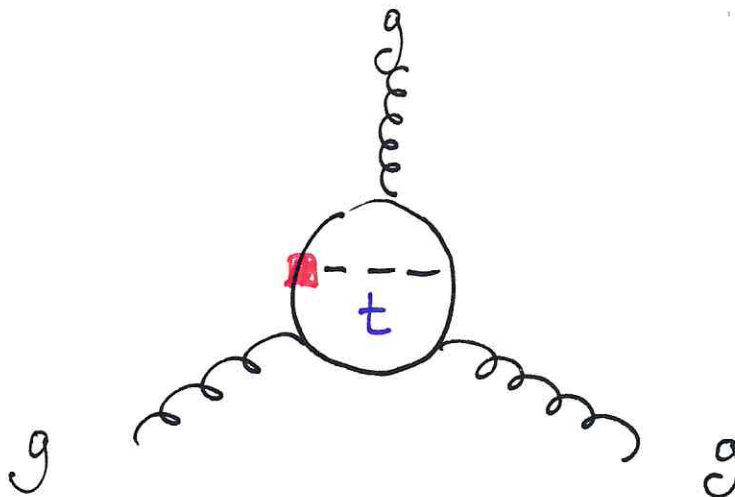
Contributions to electron, nuclear EDM



EDM



Chromo EDM



~~CP~~ Weinberg
Operator

Many observables \rightarrow correlations/cancellations
Excellent experimental prospects!

EDMs

Experimental Situation

[ecm]	d_e	d_n	$d_{p,0}$
current	1.1×10^{-29}	2.9×10^{-26}	—
expected	10^{-34}	1.0×10^{-28}	10^{-29}

	d_{Hg}	d_{Xe}	d_{Ra}
current	7.4×10^{-30}	5.5×10^{-27}	4.2×10^{-22}
expected	1.0×10^{-29}	5.0×10^{-29}	10^{-27}

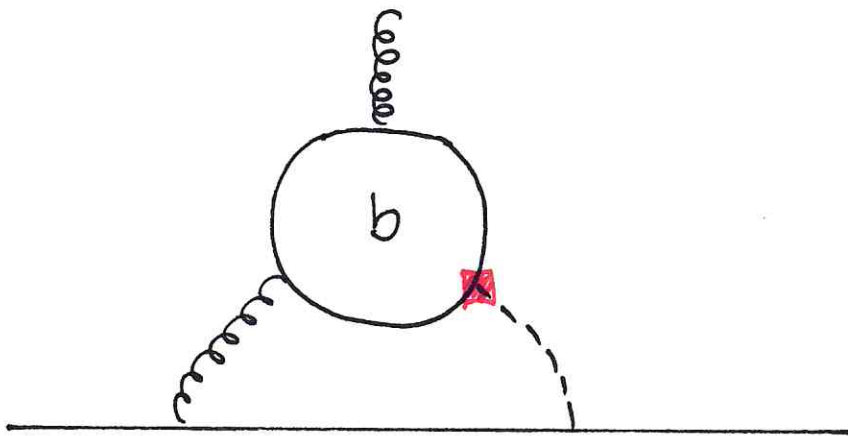
[Hewett et al 12,
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Impressive Prospects!

EDM Predictions

Example: bottom \cancel{CP} Yukawa

Naive Barr-Zee Type
Computation

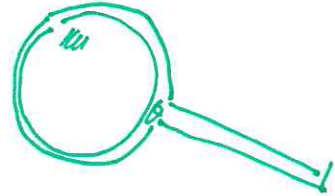
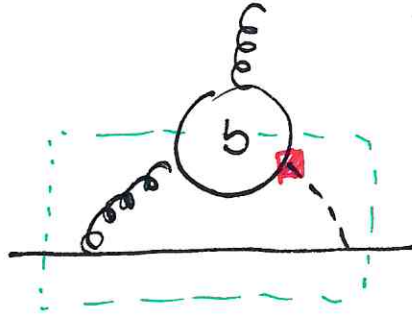


$$\tilde{d}_q \approx g_s^3 \left(\# + \# \log \frac{m_b}{m_h} \right) K_b \sin \varphi$$

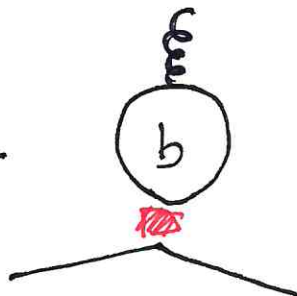
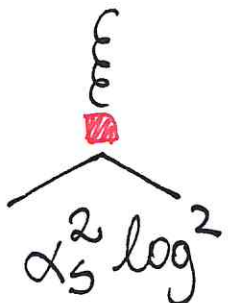
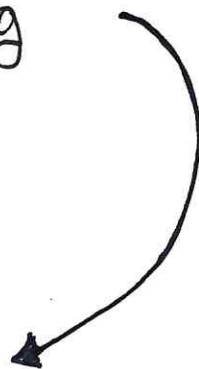
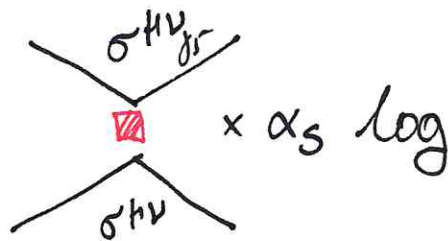
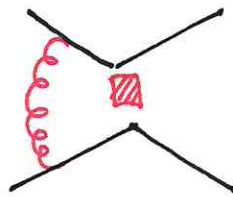
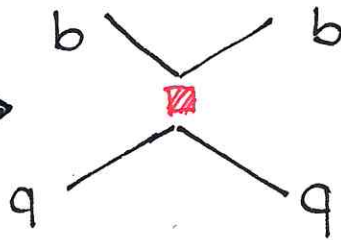
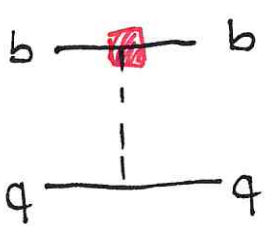
- Like for ϵ_K naive computation is a bad approximation
- Faktor 5 uncertainty in qCEDM
- Why? Multi-scale Problem $\alpha_s \log \frac{m_b}{m_h} \sim 1$
→ EFT resums Logs.

What is the RGE
doing for us?

Naive Fixed Order Computation

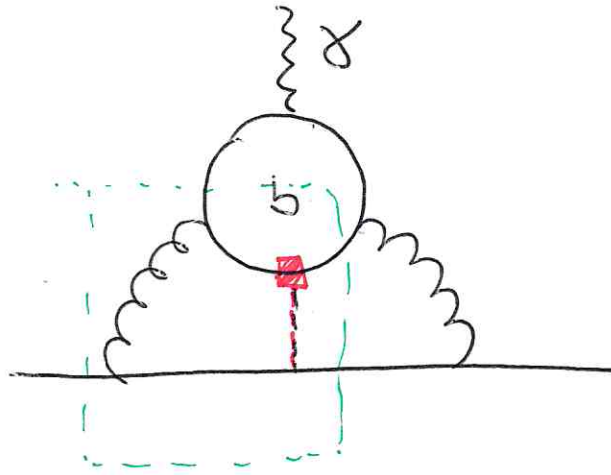


Matching + Running in EFT

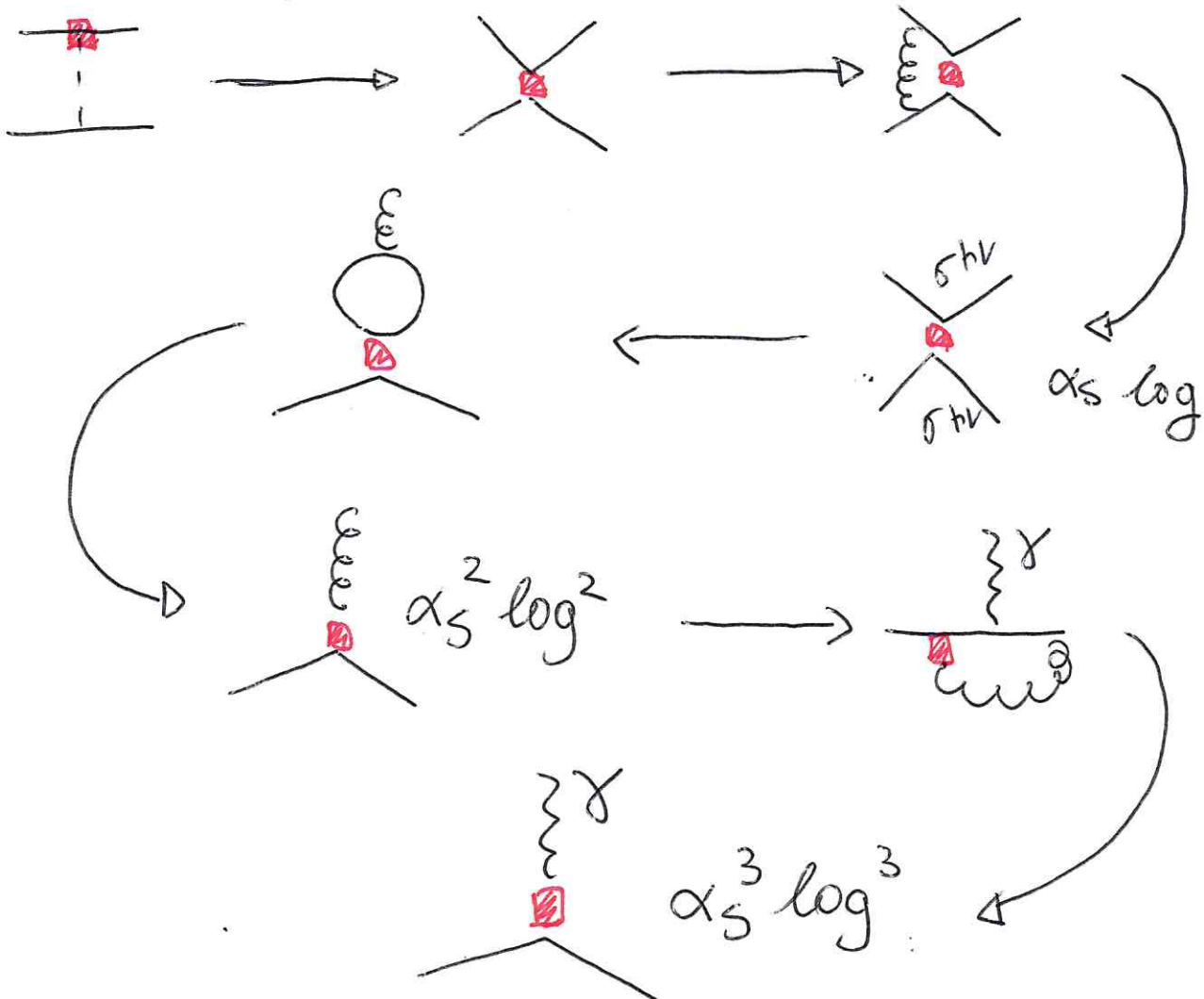


What is the RGE doing for us?

It captures the most relevant effects!

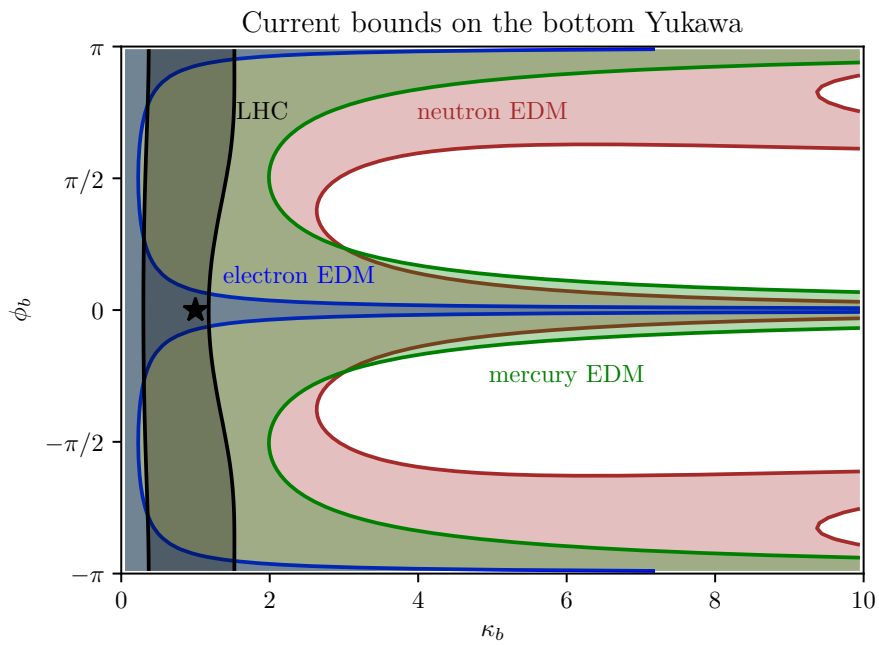


Zooming with the RGE

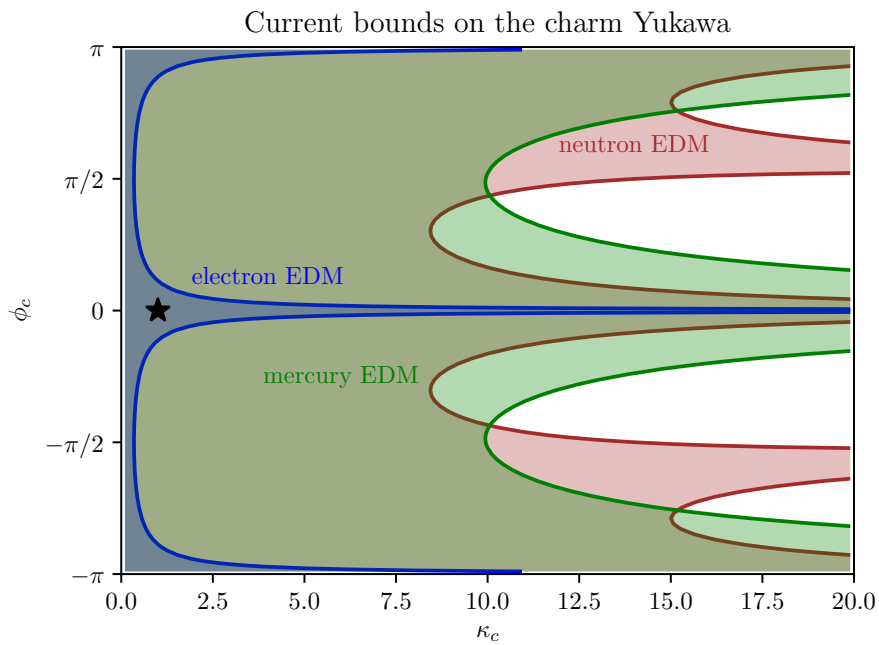


This "3-loop" contribution dominates the naive Barr-Zee by a factor of 10!

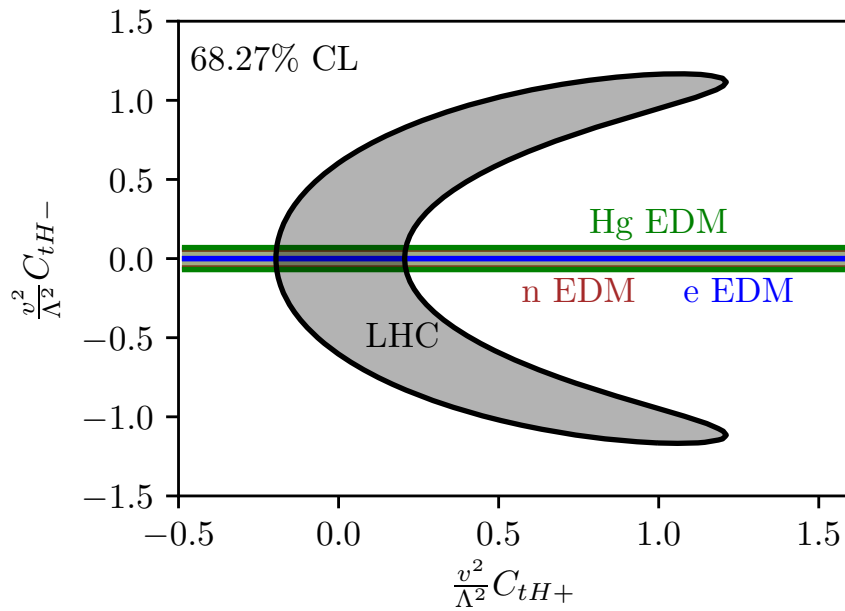
Bottom Yukawa



Charm Yukawa

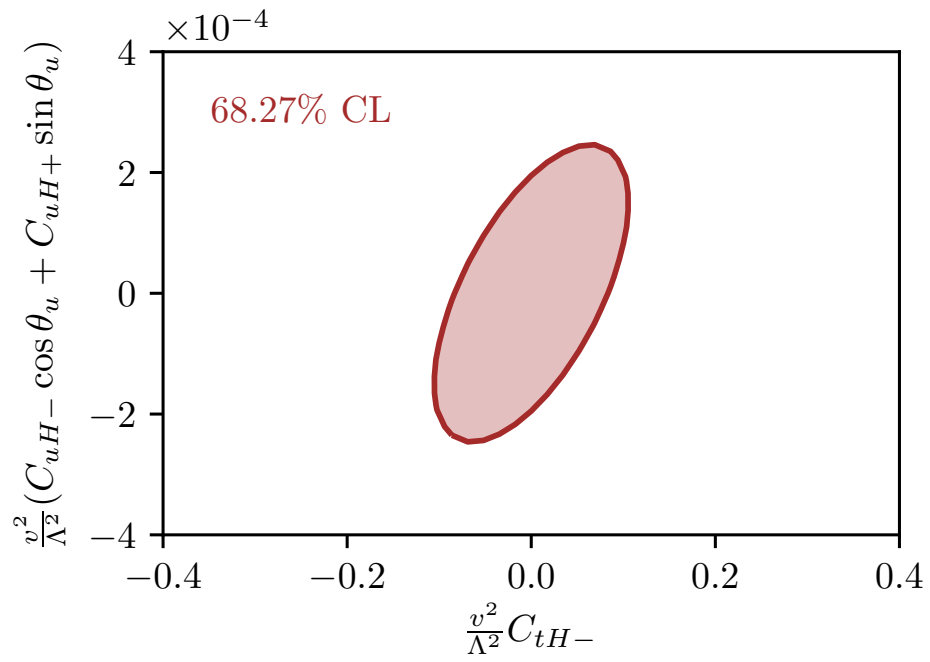


Top Yukawa



EDM constraints depend on electron and light-quark
Yukawas
Cancellations possible, need simultaneous fit

Simultaneous top-/up-Yukawa fit on d_n and d_{Hg}



[in progress with Brod, Skodras, Cornell]

The power of EFTs
at the era of LHC

Correlation of NP
Signals

Take-Away Messages

- Keep track of necessary model/EFT assumptions
- SMEFT can be a powerful framework
- Interplay between high-energy and high-intensity frontier

The power of EFTs at
the era of LHC

Modelbuilding Guidance

Example with relevant phenomenology

- The Strong CP Problem
- Understanding from EFT
- The axion Solution from the EFT perspective.

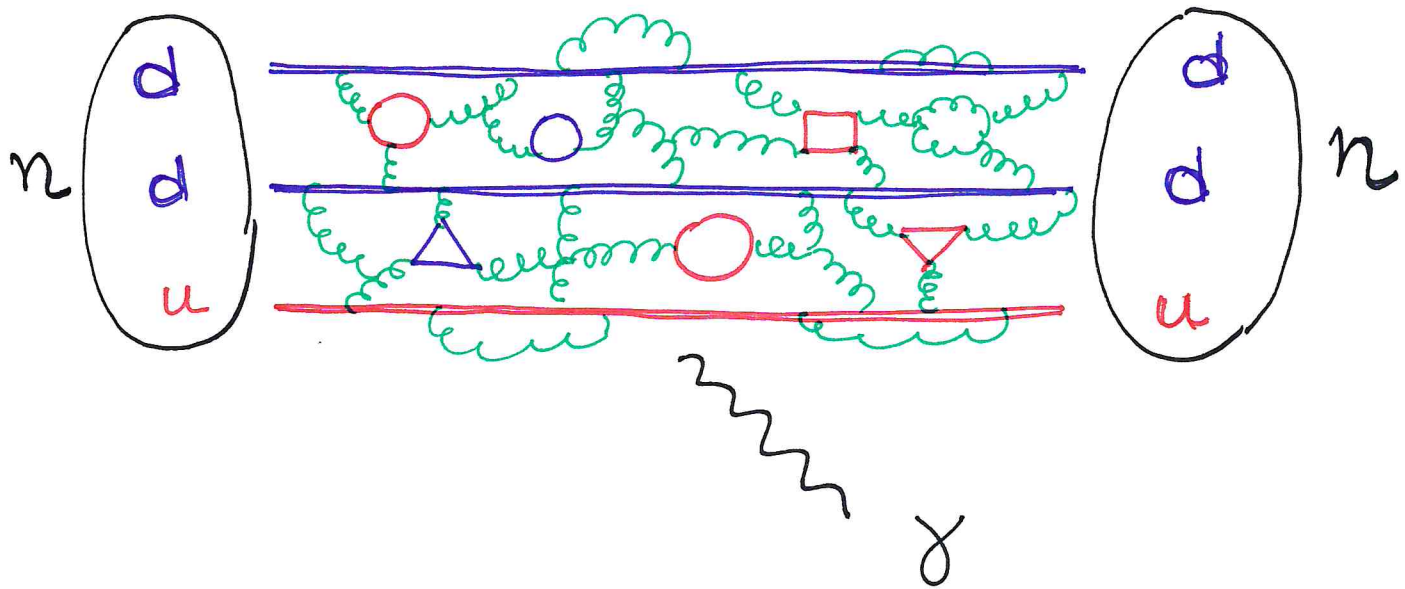
The Strong CP Problem

Why is the neutron EDM at least 13 orders of magnitude smaller than our expectations?

References (excellent)

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(Axions, Anomalies, and Gravity)
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- Coleman, Aspects of symmetry.
- ...

What are our expectations for the neutron EDM?



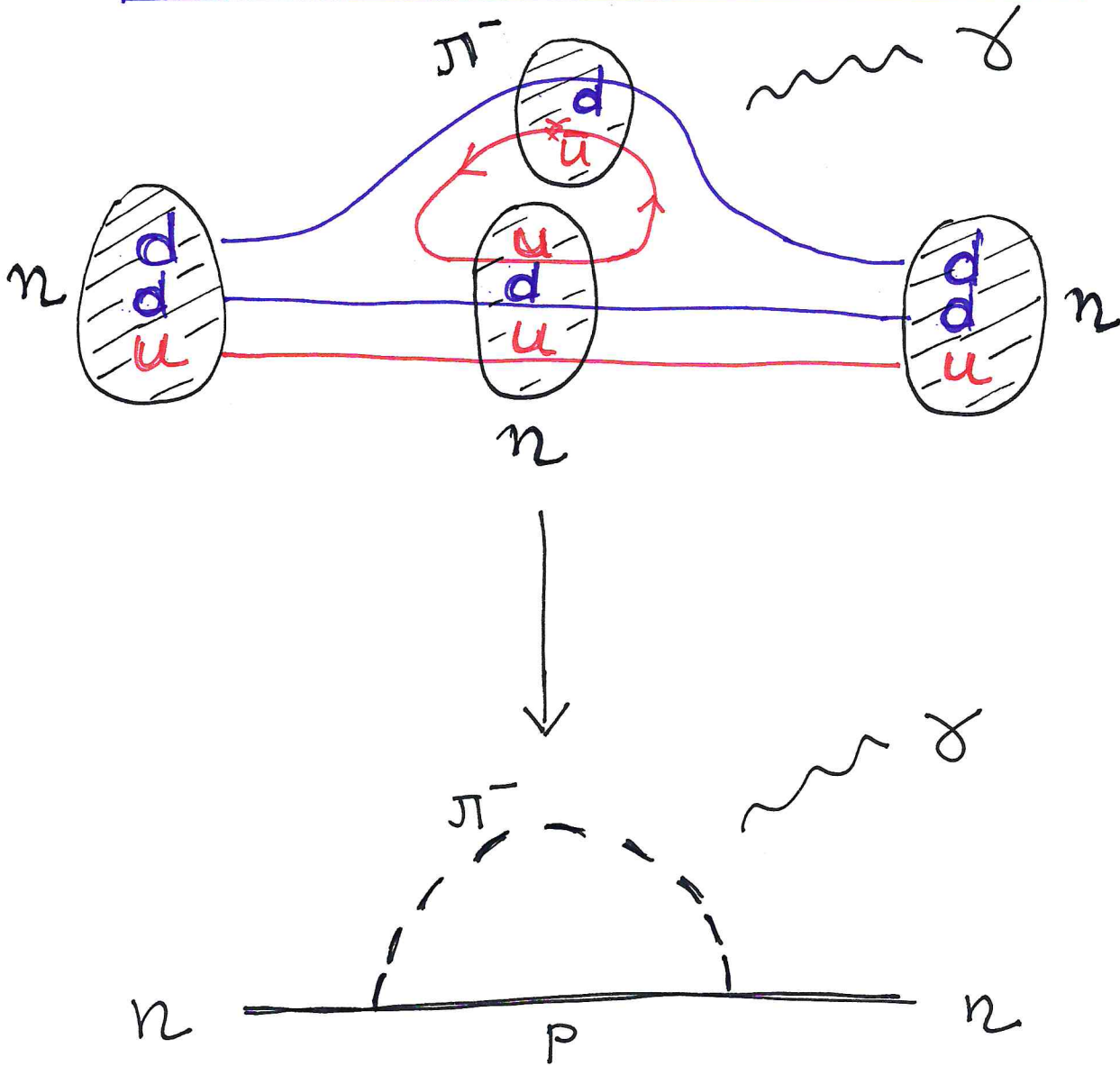
Quarks and gluons are not the right degrees of freedom to describe QCD in the IR.

We need something else to estimate d_n .

Proposals?

Pions & Nucleons

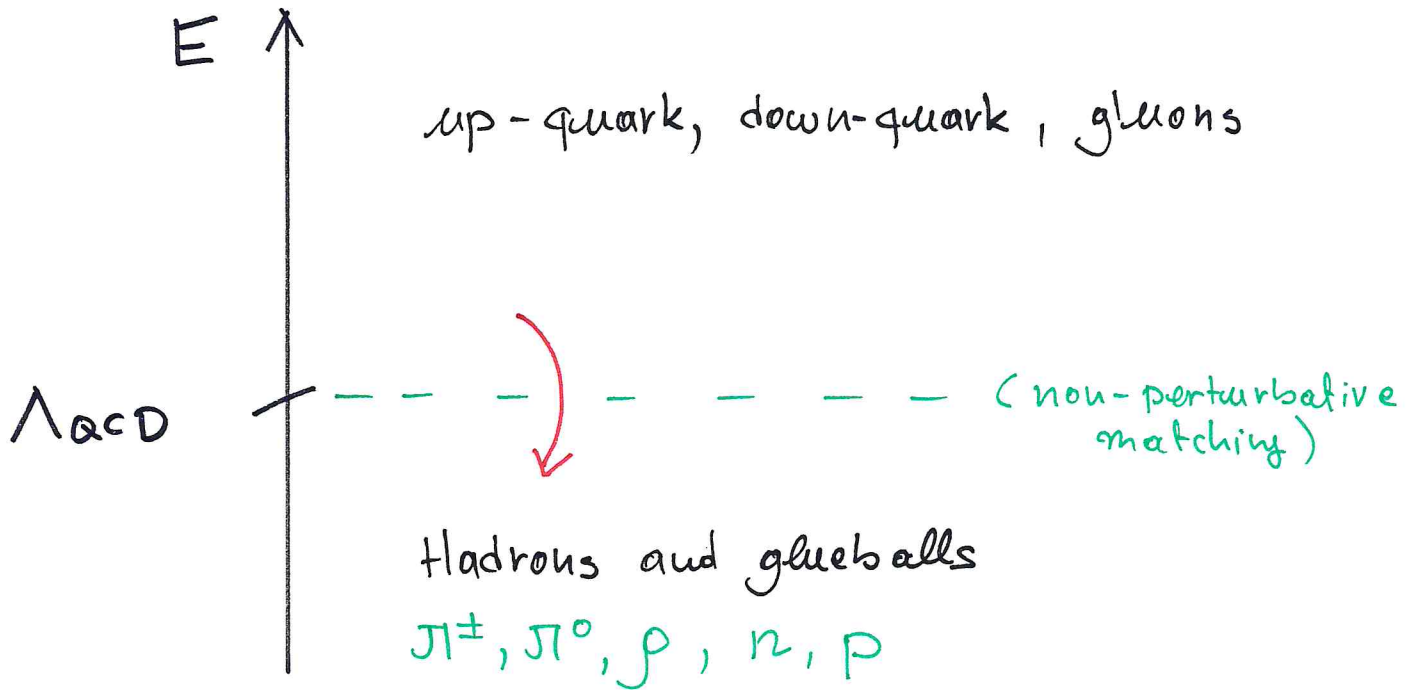
$n = u d d$	$\pi^+ = u \bar{d}$
$p = u u d$	$\pi^- = \bar{u} d$



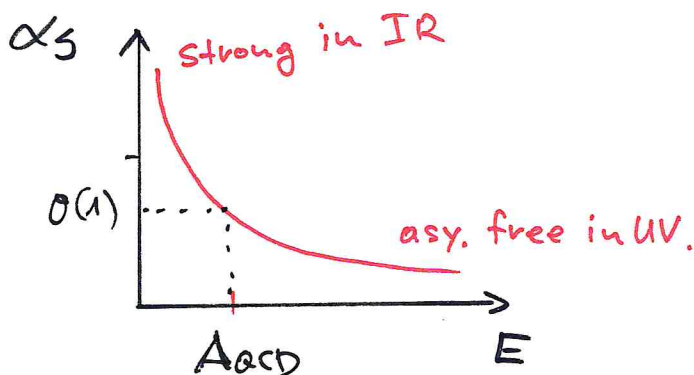
We cannot understand the Strong CP Problem before we understand the EFT of pions and nucleons

Chiral Perturbation Theory

QCD with 2 flavours



Two very interesting phenomena happen at Λ_{QCD} .



i) Confinement

ii) Spontaneous symmetry breaking of the Chiral Symmetry.

QCD

without phases

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} G G + i \bar{q} \not{D} q - (\bar{q}_L M_{LR} q_R + h.c.)$$

$$q = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \quad M = \begin{bmatrix} m_u & \\ & m_d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$q_L = P_L q = (1 - \gamma_5)/2 q$$

$$q_R = P_R q = (1 + \gamma_5)/2 q$$

Symmetries

gauge: $SU(3)_C$

global: $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_B \times U(1)_A$

Special
later
more

However, M breaks explicitly the $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_A$ global symmetry.

But $m_u, m_d \ll \Lambda_{QCD} \rightarrow$ treat m_q as perturbation.

Global Transformations

$$SU(2)_L$$

$$q_L \longrightarrow U_L q_L$$

$$SU(2)_R$$

$$q_R \longrightarrow U_R q_R$$

$$U(1)_B$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} q_L \longrightarrow e^{i\alpha} q_L \\ q_R \longrightarrow e^{i\alpha} q_R \end{array} \right\} \equiv q \longrightarrow e^{i\alpha} q$$

$$U(1)_A$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} q_L \longrightarrow e^{-i\alpha} q_L \\ q_R \longrightarrow e^{+i\alpha} q_R \end{array} \right\} \equiv q \longrightarrow e^{+i\alpha} q$$

Check yourself :

- $U(1)_B$ preserved
- M_{LR} break $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_A$
- $SU(2)_V$ [$U_L \doteq U_R$] preserved if $M_{LR} \sim \underline{11}$
- M_{LR} break axial non-abel part [$U_L \doteq U_R^\dagger$]

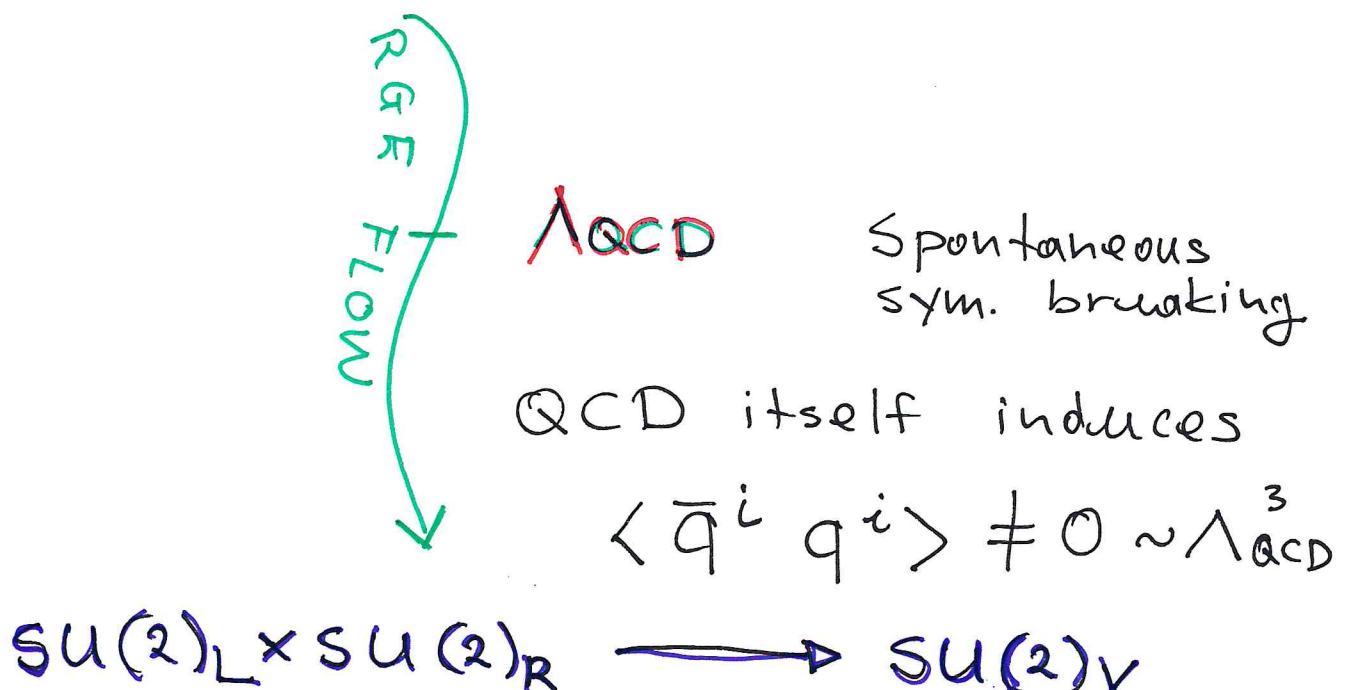
Formally restore symmetries by promoting M_{LR} to a spurion.

Spurions for

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}GG + i\bar{q}\not{D}q - (\bar{q}_L M_{LR} q_R + h.c.)$$

	$SU(3)_C$	$SU(2)_L$	$SU(2)_R$	$U(1)_B$	$U(1)_A$
G_a	8	-	-	-	-
q_L	3	2	-	+1	-1
q_R	3	-	2	+1	+1
M_{LR} Spurion	-	$\bar{2}$	2	-	-2

The full global symmetry is formally restored.



Goldstone Theorem

$$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \longrightarrow SU(2)_V$$

3 Goldstone Bosons π^+, π^-, π^0

$$U(1)_B \times U(1)_A \xrightarrow{?} U(1)_B$$

1 Goldstone Boson n^1 ? (missing/needed)

The famous $U(1)_A$ Problem (later).

Pion Lagrangian from CCWZ

i) Vacuum $U_0 \sim \langle \bar{q}_L^i q_{Ri} \rangle \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ Callan, Coleman, Wess, Zumino construct

ii) Act with broken generators ($U_L = U_R^\dagger$)

$$U_A U_0 U_A = e^{ib^a T^a} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} e^{ib^a T^a}$$

iii) Promote trafo params to fields (the GBs)

$$b^a \rightarrow \pi^a / f_\pi$$

$$U(x) = e^{i \frac{\pi^a}{f_\pi} T^a}$$

iv) Construct invariants out of $U(x)$
 $U_0 \sim \langle \bar{q}_L^i q_{Ri} \rangle \sim (\bar{2}, 2)$ of $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$.

$$\mathcal{L}_\pi^{\text{LO}} = \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} \text{Tr} [\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial^\mu U]$$

$$+ 2B_0 \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} \text{Tr} [U^\dagger M_{LR} + \text{h.c.}]$$

kinetic term for π 's and π - π interact

explicit breaking.

Expand Pion Matrix

$$U(x) = e^{2i \frac{\pi^a}{f_\pi} T^a} = e^{i \frac{\Pi}{f_\pi}}$$

$$\Pi \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \pi^0 & \sqrt{2} \pi^+ \\ \sqrt{2} \pi^- & -\pi^0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Pion masses

$$m_{\pi^0}^2 = m_{\pi^\pm}^2 = B_0 f_\pi (m_u + m_d)$$



now let's turn on phases and redo this.

QCD
with phases and θ

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} - (\bar{q}_L M_{LR} q_R + \text{h.c.}) \\ + \theta \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} G \tilde{G}$$

$$\text{with } M = \begin{bmatrix} m_u e^{i\theta_u} & \\ & m_d e^{i\theta_d} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G \tilde{G} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_{\rho\sigma}^a$$

breaks CP, we have a priori no reason to neglect it.

[Actually $G\tilde{G}$ is a total derivative, but because QCD is strongly coupled at large distances the presence of instantons doesn't allow us to neglect it.]

Can we rotate away the phases in the masses?

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} m_u e^{i\theta_u} & \\ & m_d e^{i\theta_d} \end{bmatrix}$$

Try an axial field redefinition

$$\begin{aligned} u &\longrightarrow e^{i\alpha_u} \gamma_5 u \\ d &\longrightarrow e^{i\alpha_d} \gamma_5 d \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\bar{q}_L M_{LR} q_R \longrightarrow \bar{q}_L \begin{bmatrix} m_u e^{i(\theta_u + 2\alpha_u)} & \\ & m_d e^{i(\theta_d + 2\alpha_d)} \end{bmatrix} q_R$$

So naively we can choose α_u and α_d to get rid of θ_u and θ_d .

But that is not entirely correct! Something else happens as well.

Anomalous $U(1)_A$ transformations

Fermionic measure in path integral.

$$[\mathcal{D}Q \mathcal{D}\bar{Q}] \xrightarrow[e^{i\alpha\gamma_5}] {U(1)_A} [\mathcal{D}Q \mathcal{D}\bar{Q}] e^{i \int d^4x \alpha \mathcal{A}}$$

with $\mathcal{A} = \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} G \tilde{G}$

Our unphysical field redef. shifts θ_u, θ_d to the $\theta G \tilde{G}$ term!

$$\theta \xrightarrow{\alpha_u, \alpha_d} \theta + 2(\alpha_u + \alpha_d)$$

$$\theta_u \xrightarrow{\alpha_u} \theta_u + 2\alpha_u$$

$$\theta_d \xrightarrow{\alpha_d} \theta_d + 2\alpha_d$$

Observables cannot depend on field redefs.

$$e^{-i\theta} \mathcal{M}_u \mathcal{M}_d = \mathcal{M}_u \mathcal{M}_d e^{i(\theta_u + \theta_d - \theta)}$$

is however invariant under the field redef.

CP Observables must depend on the combination

$$m_u m_d e^{i(\theta_u + \theta_d - \theta)}$$

→ Only $\bar{\theta} \equiv \theta_u + \theta_d - \theta$ is physical

→ We found our first solution to the Strong CP Problem

$$m_u = 0$$

Unfortunately $m_u \neq 0$.

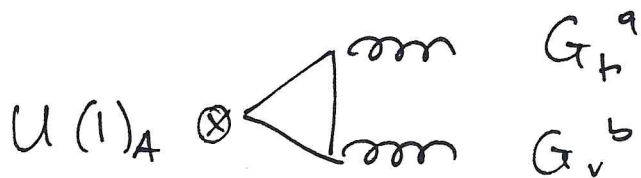
After redefinition of fields to remove the phases from the masses (choice of basis, nothing more)

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{kin}} - \bar{q} M q + \bar{\theta} \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} G \tilde{G}$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} m_u & \\ & m_d \end{bmatrix}$$

We understand now that $U(1)_A$ was never a good symmetry. It was good classically but broken radiatively

$U(1)_A$ is anomalous



Since $U(1)_A$ was never a good symmetry we do not expect its would-be GB the η' to be real/light GB.

Now let's do CCWZ with the θ -Term!

CCWZ with $\bar{\theta}$

Spurions for $U(1)_A$

$$q \longrightarrow e^{i\alpha} \gamma_5 q$$

$$M_{LR} \longrightarrow e^{-2i\alpha} M_{LR}$$

$$\bar{\theta} \longrightarrow \bar{\theta} - 4\alpha$$

leaves \mathcal{L}
invariant
(formally)

CCWZ including $U(1)_A$

$$\langle \bar{q}_L^i q_{Ri} \rangle \sim U(x) = e^{2in'/fn'} e^{i\pi/f_\pi}$$

$\mathcal{L}_{\pi, n'}$ from invariants

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} \text{Tr}[\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial^\mu U] + 2B_0 \frac{f_\pi^2}{4} \text{Tr}[U^\dagger M_{LR} + \text{h.c.}]$$

$$+ c f_{n'}^4 \det U + \text{h.c.}$$

$\sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4$

NEW!

$$c f_{n'}^4 \det U = c f_{n'} e^{4i n' / f_{n'}}$$

◦ breaks $U(1)_A$ but ok because never good

◦ but our spurious trafa is good. Therefore,
 $U(x) \rightarrow e^{2i\alpha} U(x)$

$$\rightarrow C \stackrel{!}{=} |C| e^{i\bar{\Theta}}$$

◦ This is what 't Hooft proved: Instantons induce a term

$$\sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4 e^{i\bar{\Theta}} \det U$$

Using symmetries and EFT we recovered the interesting result

$$\mathcal{L}_{n'} \supset c f_{n'}^4 \det U + \text{h.c.} = |C| f_{n'}^4 \cos\left(\bar{\Theta} + 4 \frac{n'}{f_{n'}}\right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{n'} = |c| f_{n'}^4 \cos\left(\bar{\theta} + 4 \frac{n'}{f_{n'}}\right)$$

• QCD induced a potential for n'

• expand: $m_{n'}^2 = 4|c| f_{n'}^2 \approx \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2$

• Potential minimised when

$$\bar{\theta} + 4 \frac{\langle n' \rangle}{f_{n'}} = 0$$

• If $m_u = m_d = 0$ the only dependence of $\bar{\theta}$ is in $\mathcal{L}_{n'}$.

→ The n' dynamically sets $\bar{\theta} \rightarrow 0$

→ The IR perspective of the $m_u = 0$ solution to the Strong CP Problem.
(n' plays the role of an axion)

- Expand around vacuum

$$n' \rightarrow n' - \frac{f_{n'}}{4} \bar{\theta}$$

$$U(x) \rightarrow U_{\theta}(x) = e^{-i\bar{\theta}/2} U(x)$$

- Back in \mathcal{L}_{π}

- You will then find that now the π^0 gets a potential, and a vev!

$$\langle \pi^0 \rangle = \varphi f_{\pi}$$

$$\text{with } \tan \varphi = \frac{m_d - m_u}{m_d + m_u} \tan \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2}$$

- Reexpand and find minimum.

After some trigonometric gymnastics we will find the minimum of the QCD potential as a function of $\bar{\theta}$!

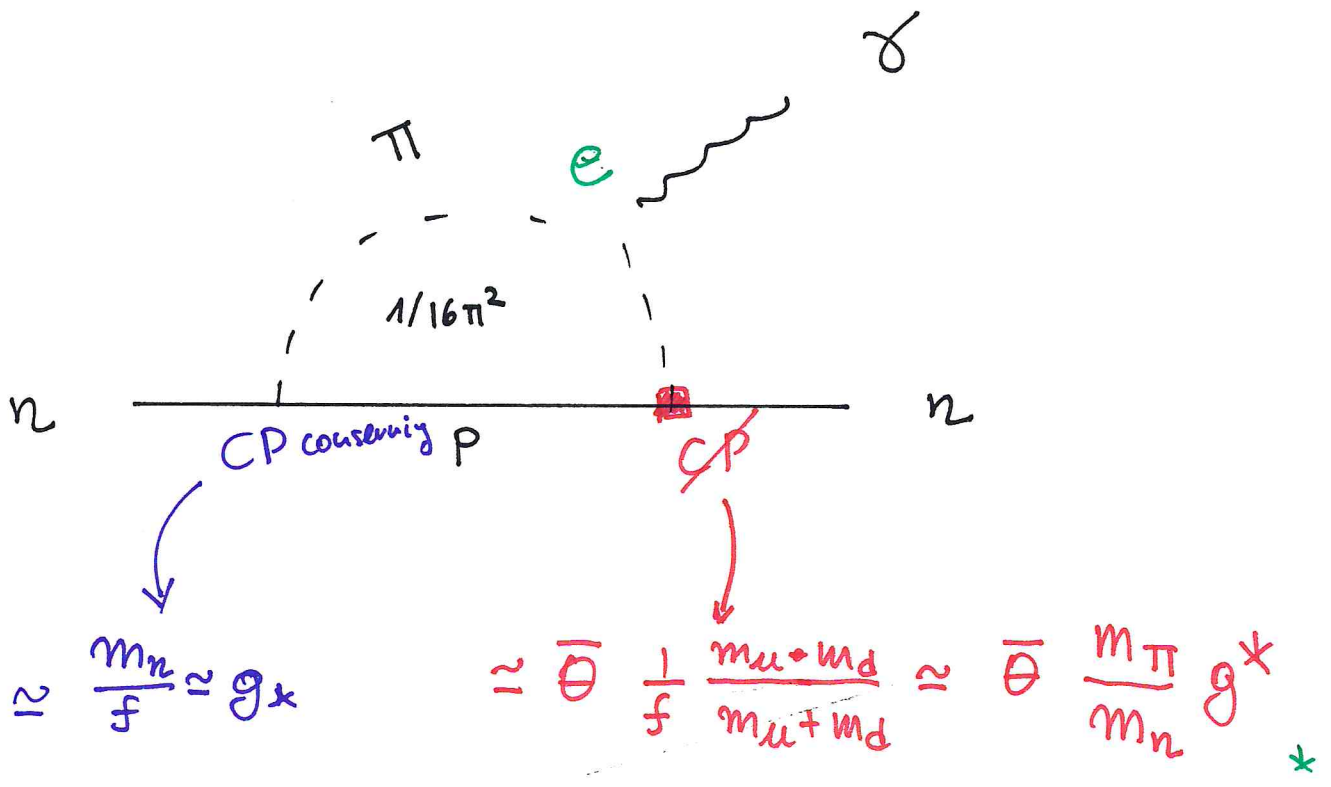
$$V_{\min}(\bar{\theta}) = -m_{\pi}^2 f_{\pi}^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_u m_d}{(m_u + m_d)^2} \sin^2 \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2}}$$

And from the $\bar{\theta}$ -dependent pion matrix we can compute the π - n - p Lagrangian with $\bar{\theta}$!

Ready to:

- i) Estimate $|dn|$ in QCD
- ii) Understand the axion solution!

|d_n| from χ PT



$$|d_n| \sim \frac{e}{16\pi^2} g^{*2} \bar{\Theta} \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_n^2} \frac{1}{m_n}$$

$$g^* \approx 4\pi \sim 10^{-16} \bar{\Theta} \text{ e cm}$$

Much too large, $\Theta < 10^{-10}$

* see Weinberg II for the reason that the scaling is $\bar{\Theta} m_\pi/m_n g^*$ and not $\bar{\Theta} m_\pi^2/m_n^2 g^*$

Axion Solution

To solve the Strong CP Problem we "only" need one particle with

Axion EFT

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{axion}} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} a \partial^{\mu} a + \frac{a}{f_a} \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} G \tilde{G}$$

Why does this solve the Strong CP Problem?

- a couples to QCD via $G \tilde{G}$
- everything we did holds after

$$\bar{\theta} \longrightarrow \bar{\theta} + \frac{a}{f_a}$$

Axion Potential

$$V(a) = -m_{\pi}^2 f_{\pi}^2 \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_u m_D}{(m_u + m_D)^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{a}{2f_a} + \frac{\bar{\theta}}{2} \right)}$$

- a gets a vev $\langle a \rangle = -\bar{\theta} f_a$

- Expand \rightarrow $\bar{\theta}$ dependence disappears

The axion dynamically sets $\bar{\theta}$ to zero!

Axion EFT

Modelbuilding guidance

- \mathcal{L}_a has a shift symmetry (a is GB)
- Couples to the anomalous $G\tilde{G}$ term.

Axion is a GB of a spontaneously broken $U(1)$ that is anomalous under QCD

$U(1)_{PQ}$

PQ = Peccei-Quinn

- f_a associated to PQ breaking scale
- m_a is generated by the QCD potential

$$m_a^2 = \frac{m_u m_d}{m_u + m_d} \frac{m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2}{f_a^2}$$

- All couplings allowed by the shift symmetry are allowed, but only $G\tilde{G}$ is important for the Strong CP Problem.

Axion Models

First model (Peccei and Quinn, Weinberg and Wilczek)
tied PQ-breaking scale to EW scale

$$f_{PQ} \sim v_{EW}$$

Troubles from FCNCs

$$K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \text{ invisible}$$

f_a does not have to be tied to EW scale

Invisible Axion Models

KSVZ, DFSZ, ...

Here

$$f_{PQ} \gg v_{EW}$$

→ Hides PQ dynamics

→ lowers axion mass, less pressure from constraints.

KSVZ Model *

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \partial_\mu \phi^\dagger \partial^\mu \phi + \mu^2 \phi^\dagger \phi - \lambda (\phi^\dagger \phi)^2 + i \bar{Q} \not{D} Q - y (\phi \bar{Q}_R Q_L + \phi^\dagger \bar{Q}_L Q_R)$$

Q: new quark singlet under $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$
 ϕ : complex scalar $\longrightarrow 1$

$U(1)_{PQ}$

$$Q \longrightarrow e^{i\gamma_5 \theta} Q$$

$$\phi \longrightarrow e^{-2i\theta} \phi$$

global $U(1)_A$

But anomalous because Q charged under QCD

$$U(1)_{PQ} \otimes \begin{matrix} \triangle \\ \text{Q} \\ \triangle \end{matrix}$$

every time we do the trace above we induce $\theta \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} G \tilde{G}$

$U(1)_{PQ}$ spontaneously broken when $\mu^2 > 0$, $\langle \phi \rangle = f_a$

$$\phi = (f_a + h) e^{i a / f_a}$$

with $f_a = \mu / \sqrt{2\lambda}$. The ^{radial mode} Higgs gets a mass $m_h = 4\mu^2$ and the quark $m_Q = y f_a$.

a, the axion is a GB ~~scalar~~ gets no mass. from the PQ breaking.

* aka as simple as it gets

Expand Lagrangian around the vacuum

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} \supset -y f_a (e^{i\frac{a}{f_a}} \bar{Q}_R Q_L + \text{h.c.})$$

- Redefine Q

$$Q \longrightarrow Q' = e^{-i\frac{a}{2f_a}} Q$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yuk}} \longrightarrow -y f_a (\bar{Q}'_R Q'_L + \text{h.c.}) + \frac{a}{f_a} \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} G \tilde{G}$$

- Trivially integrate out Q and h

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NP}} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a + \frac{a}{f_a} \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} G \tilde{G} + \text{higher order in } 1/f_a^2$$

We see how simple it is to construct an axion model. But there are also caveats to axion models from the theory perspective.

(axion quality problem): if $U(1)_a$ is anomalous then why is this ren. Lagrangian such a good approx. Higher order operators that break $U(1)_a$ can spoil the mechanism.

The power of EFTs at the era of LHC

Modelbuilding Guidance

Example

- EFT as a tool to understand the Strong CP Problem
- EFT exposed minimal setup for a solution
The axion dynamically sets $\bar{\theta} \rightarrow 0$
- Exp. searches constrain the EFT couplings of the axion. (multi channel)
(FCNCs, Astrophysics, Helioscopes, Haloscopes, ...)
- The axion can be DM if $f_a \sim 10^{12} \text{ GeV}$

Conclusions

Why EFTs?

- Precision
(important to disentangle even small NP effects)
- Signal Correlation
(correlations with mild assumptions, directs searches)
- Model Building Guidance
(provide minimal requirements for solving an issue or be phenomenologically viable).