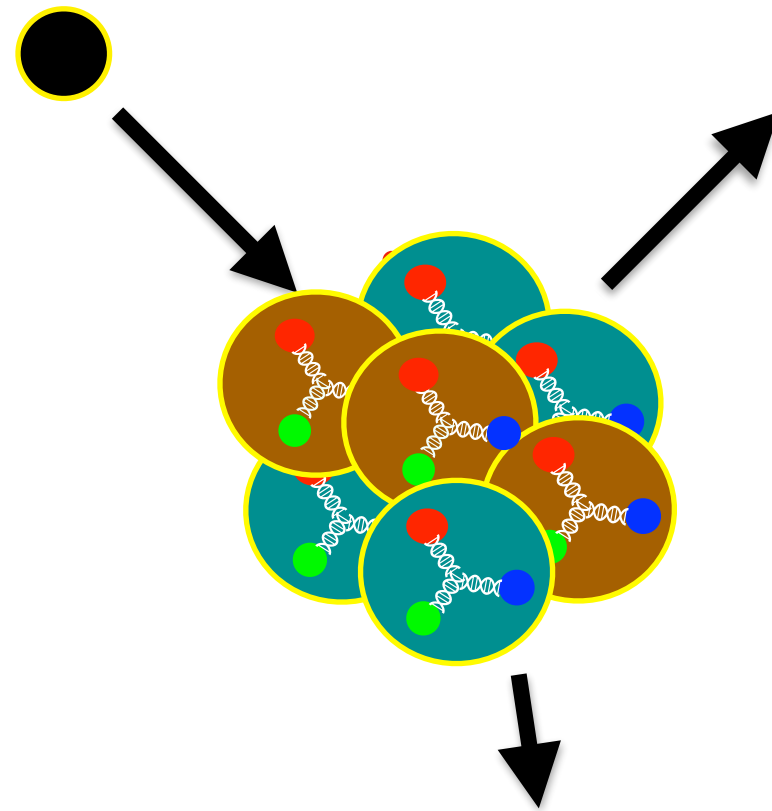


Dark Matter Interactions with Nuclei



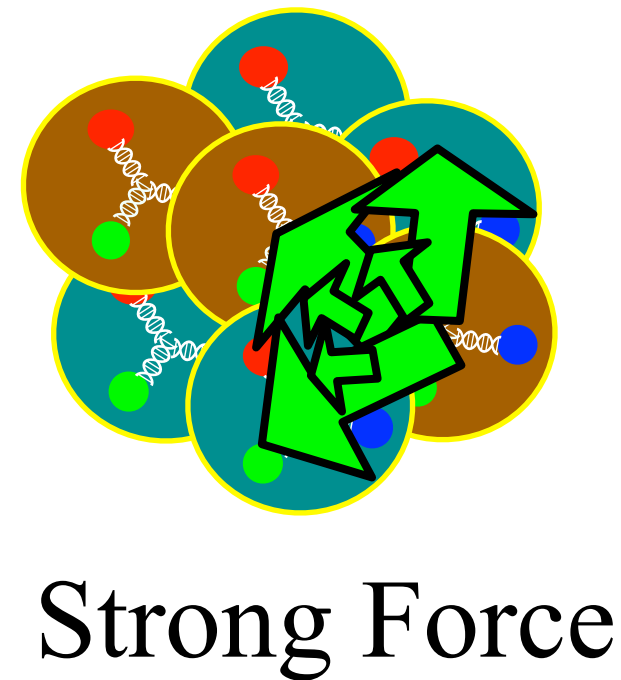
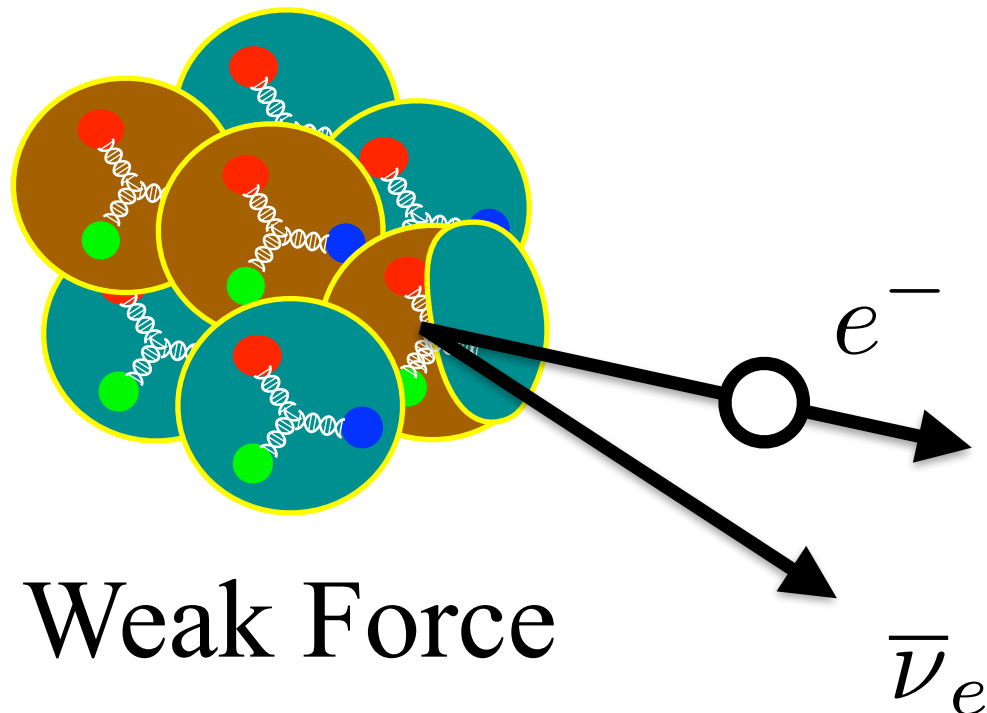
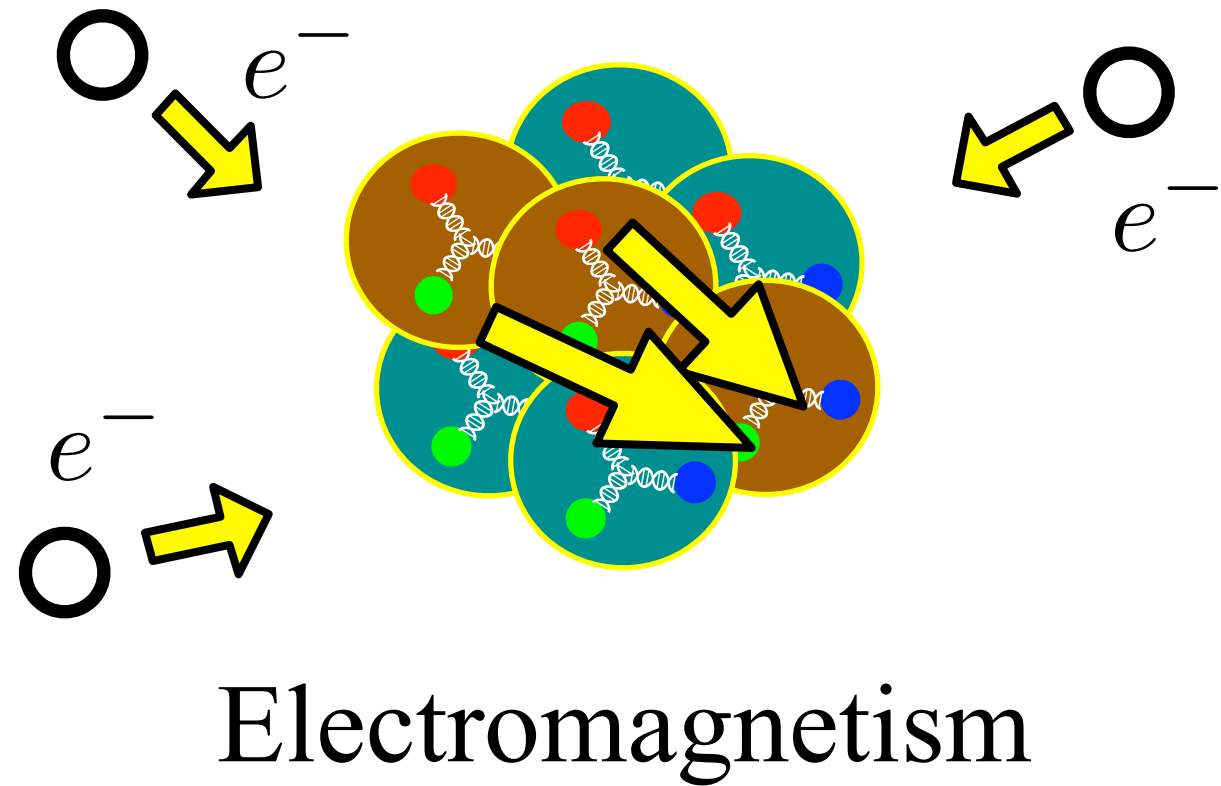
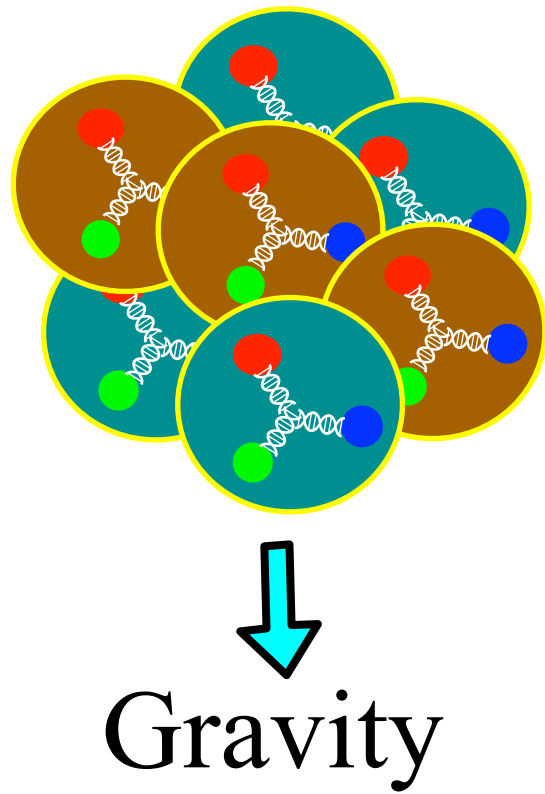
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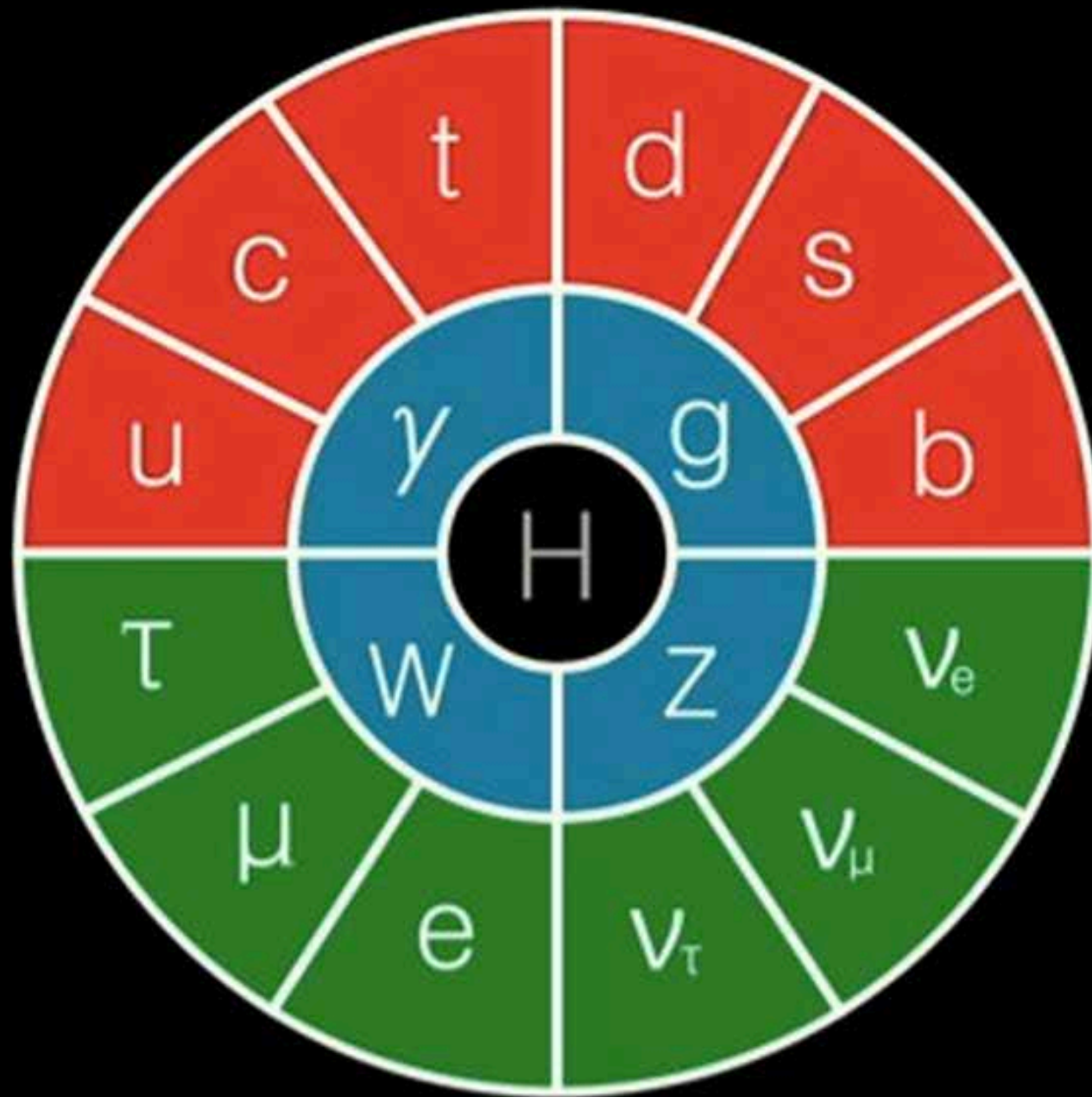


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What we know




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FERMIONS

MATTER


 QUARKS

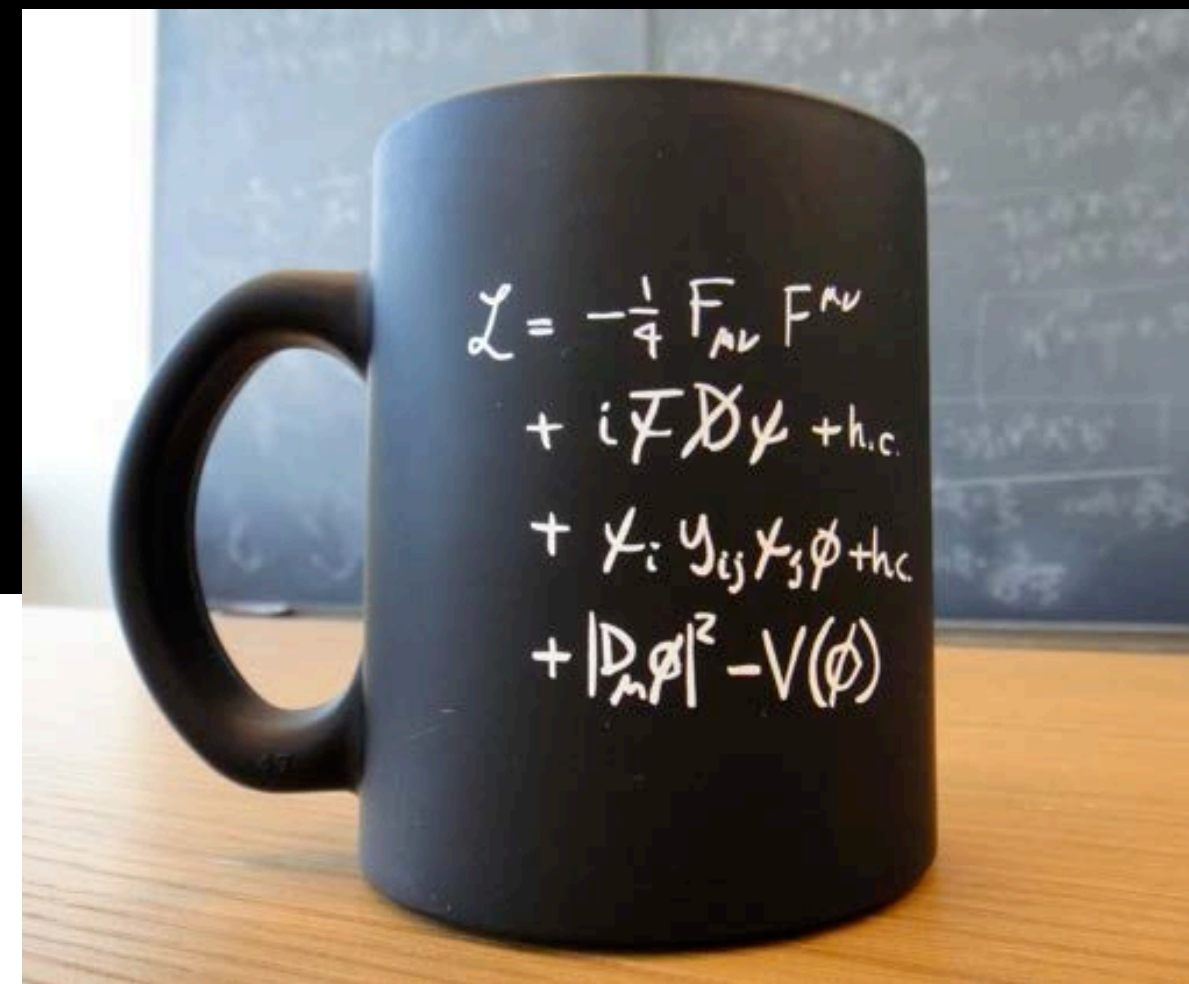
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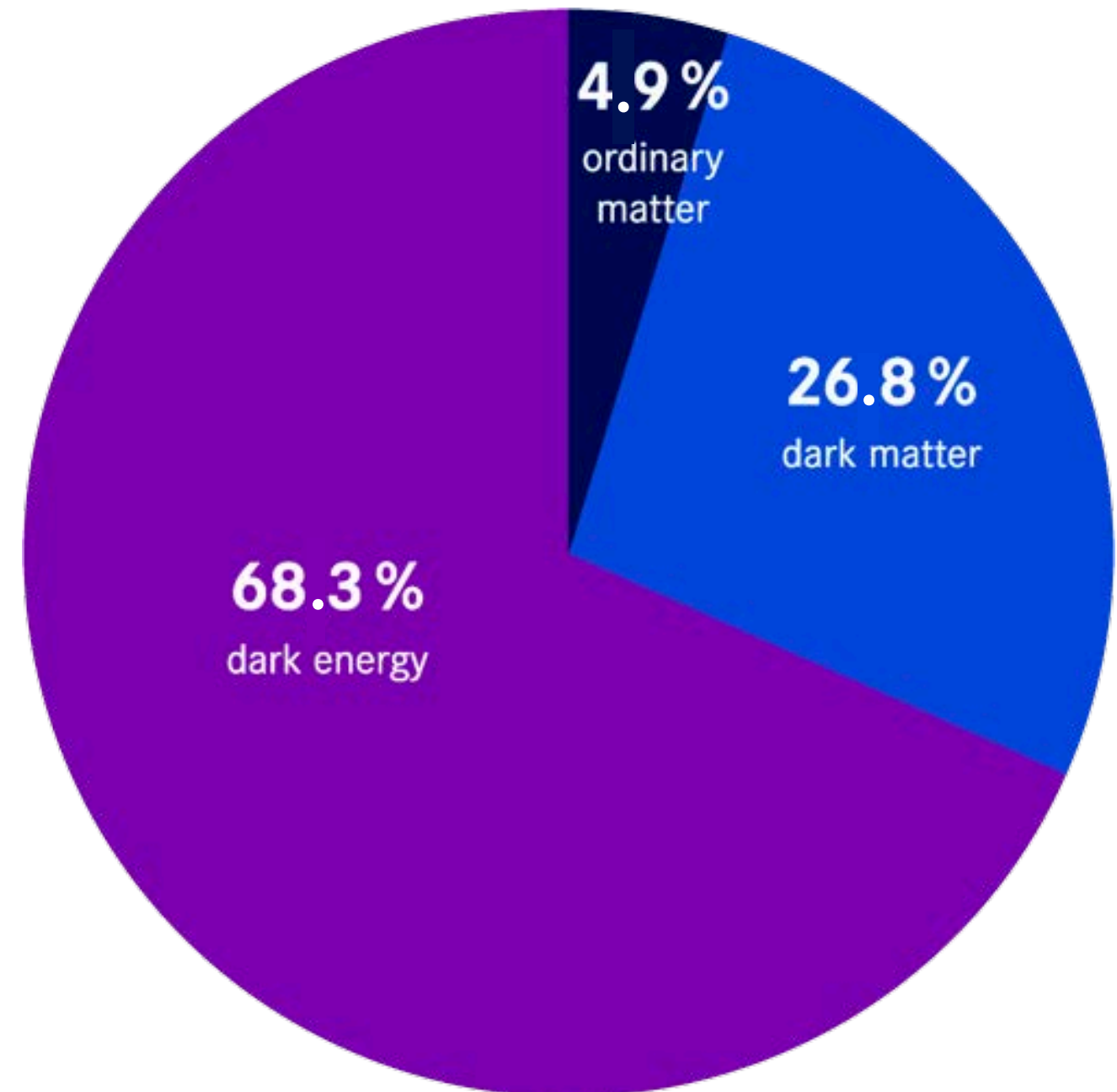
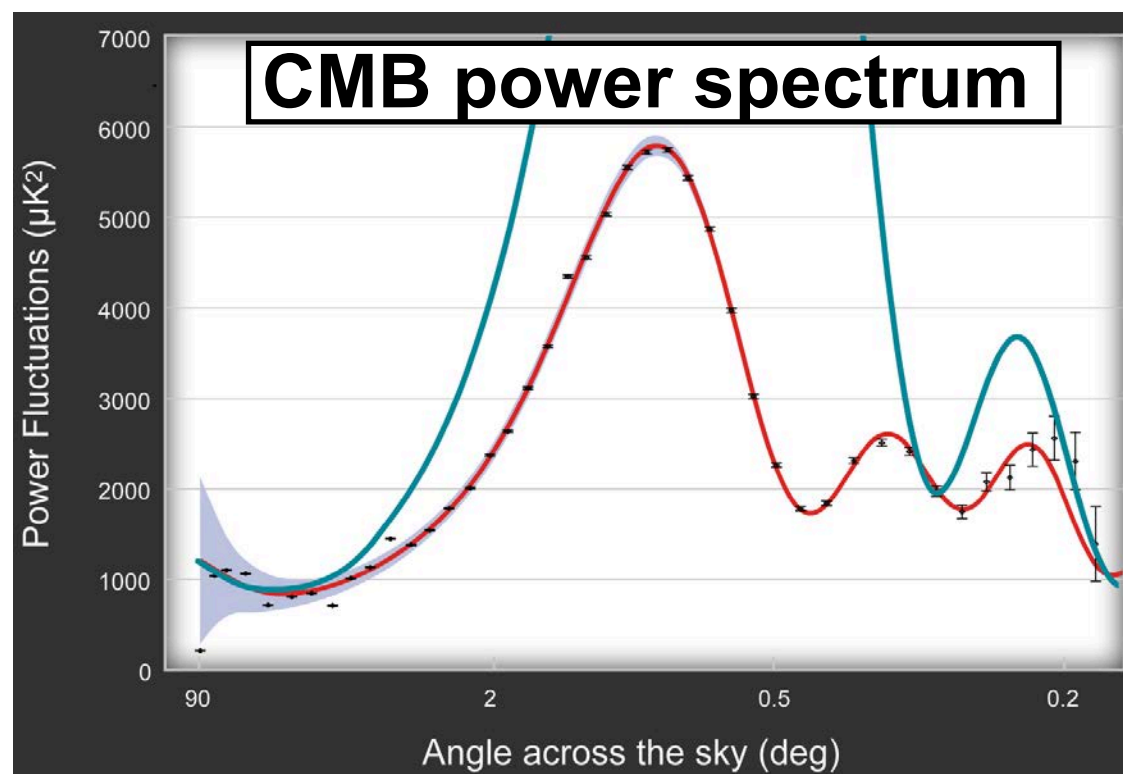
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 HIGGS BOSON



What we don't know

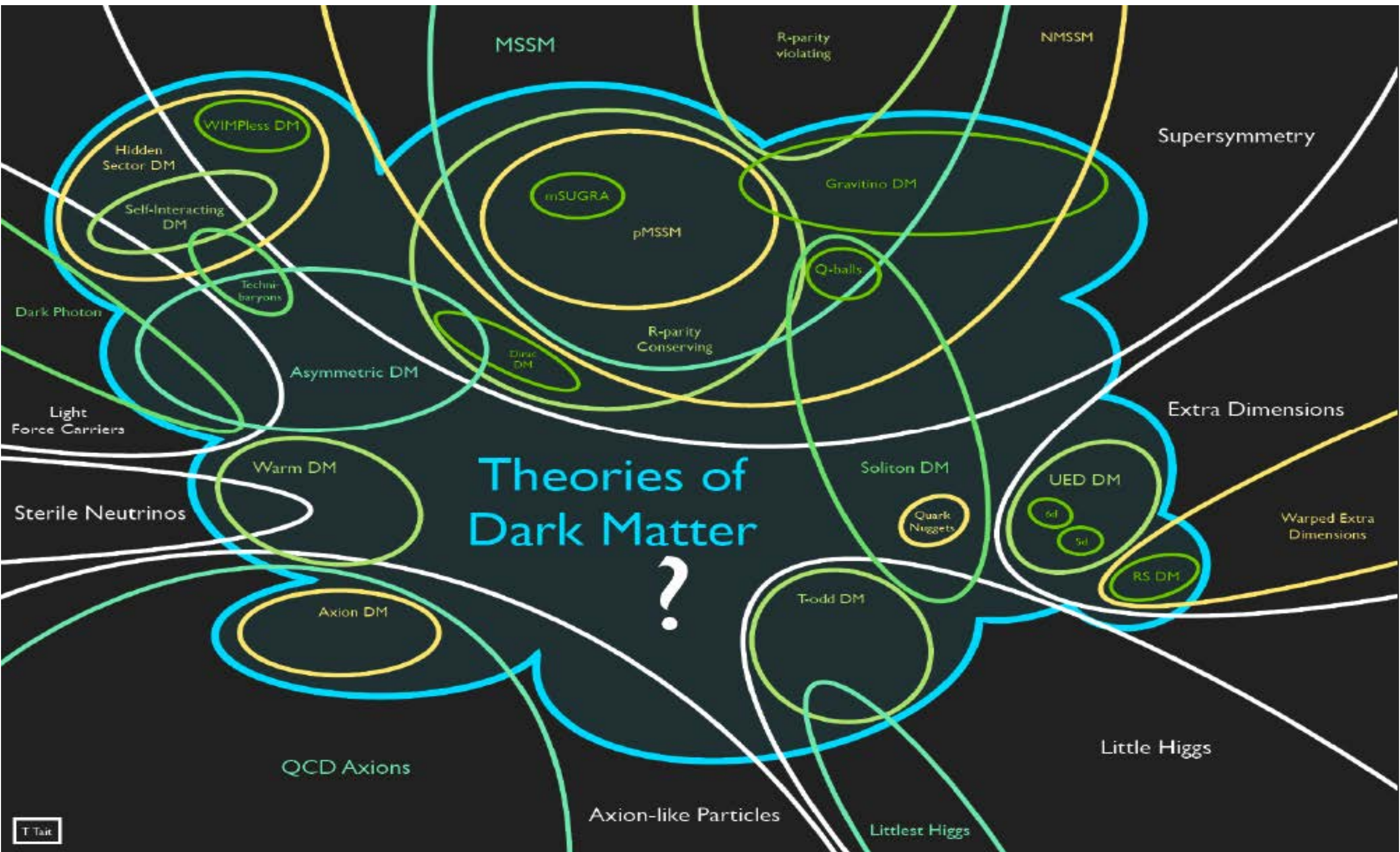
Astrophysical and cosmological observations show that most of the universe is not ordinary Standard Model matter



Black Points - WMAP data

https://lambda.gsfc.nasa.gov/education/cmb_plotter/

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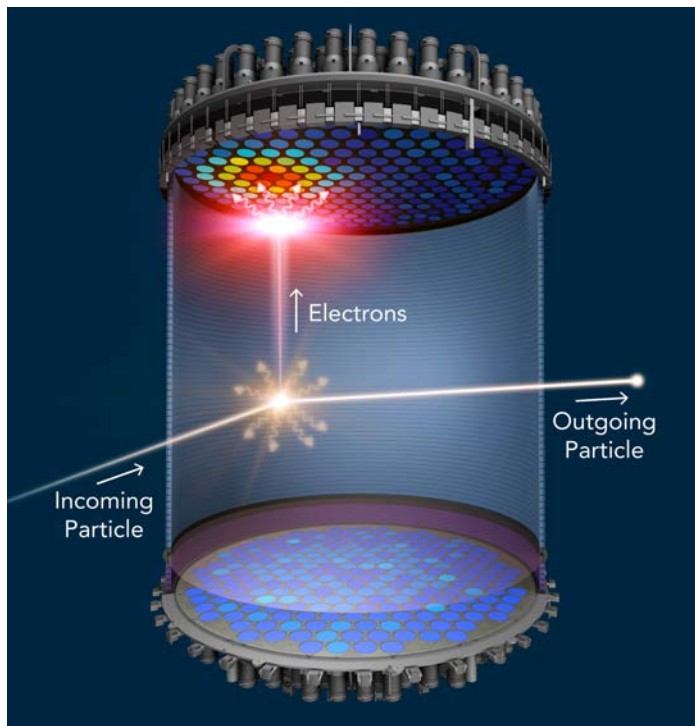
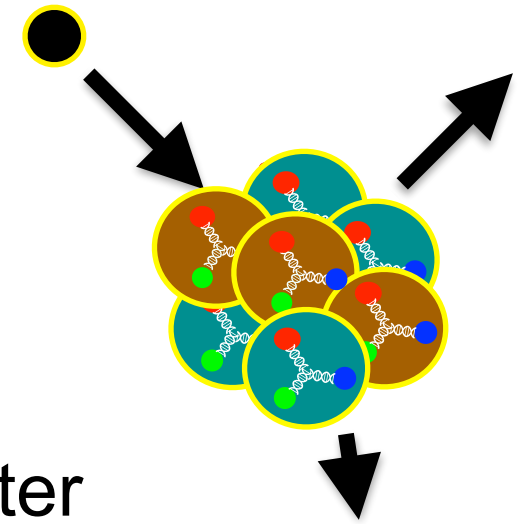


Dark matter direct detection

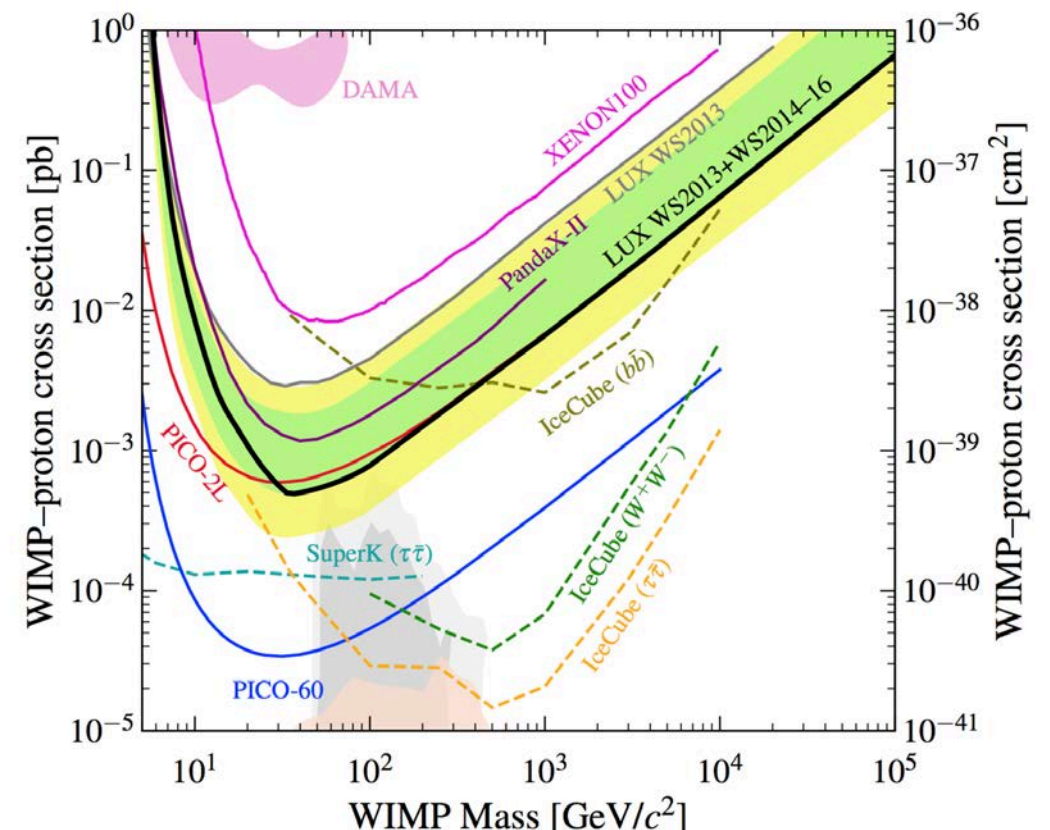
Experiments look for nuclei recoiling from scattering with something invisible

Heavy nuclei are often used to maximize sensitivity

Standard Model theory needed to relate nucleus - dark matter interactions with proton (or quark) - dark matter interactions



Theory assumptions



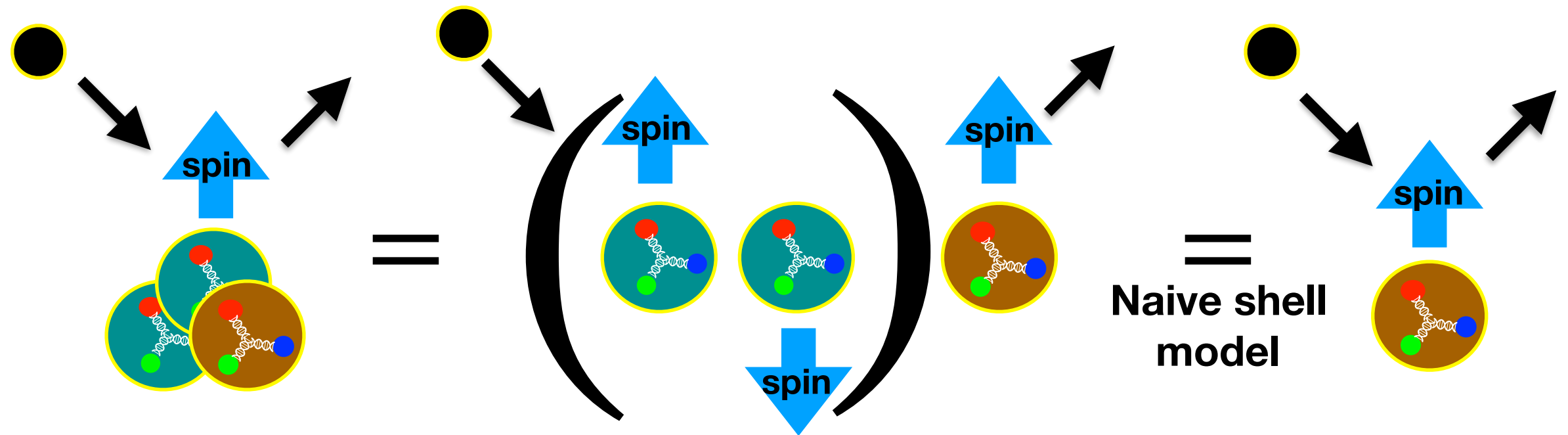
LUX

Akerib et al (LUX), PRL 118 (2017)

Naive nuclei

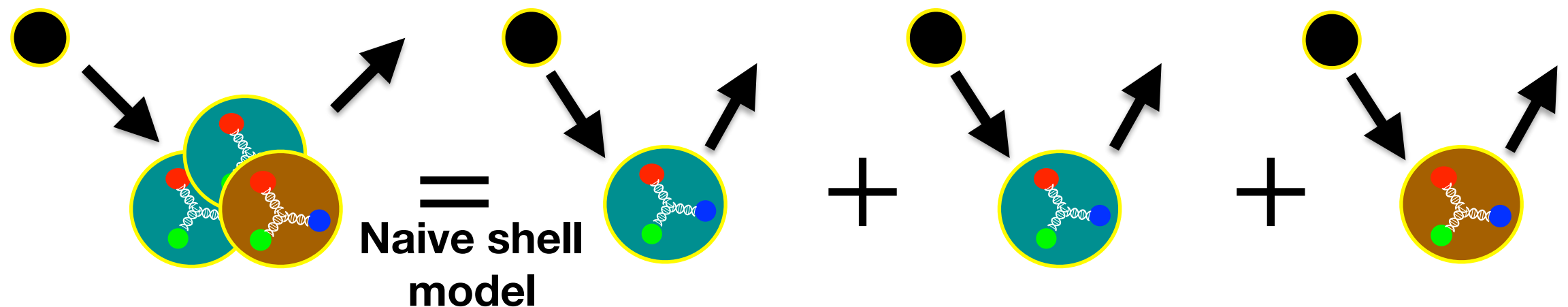
Nuclei = naive shell model + QCD effects

Axial / tensor currents couple to nuclear spin



Scalar currents couple to total quark number of nucleus,

— Dominate spin-independent dark matter scattering



Solving the Standard Model

Quantum observables can be represented by path integrals

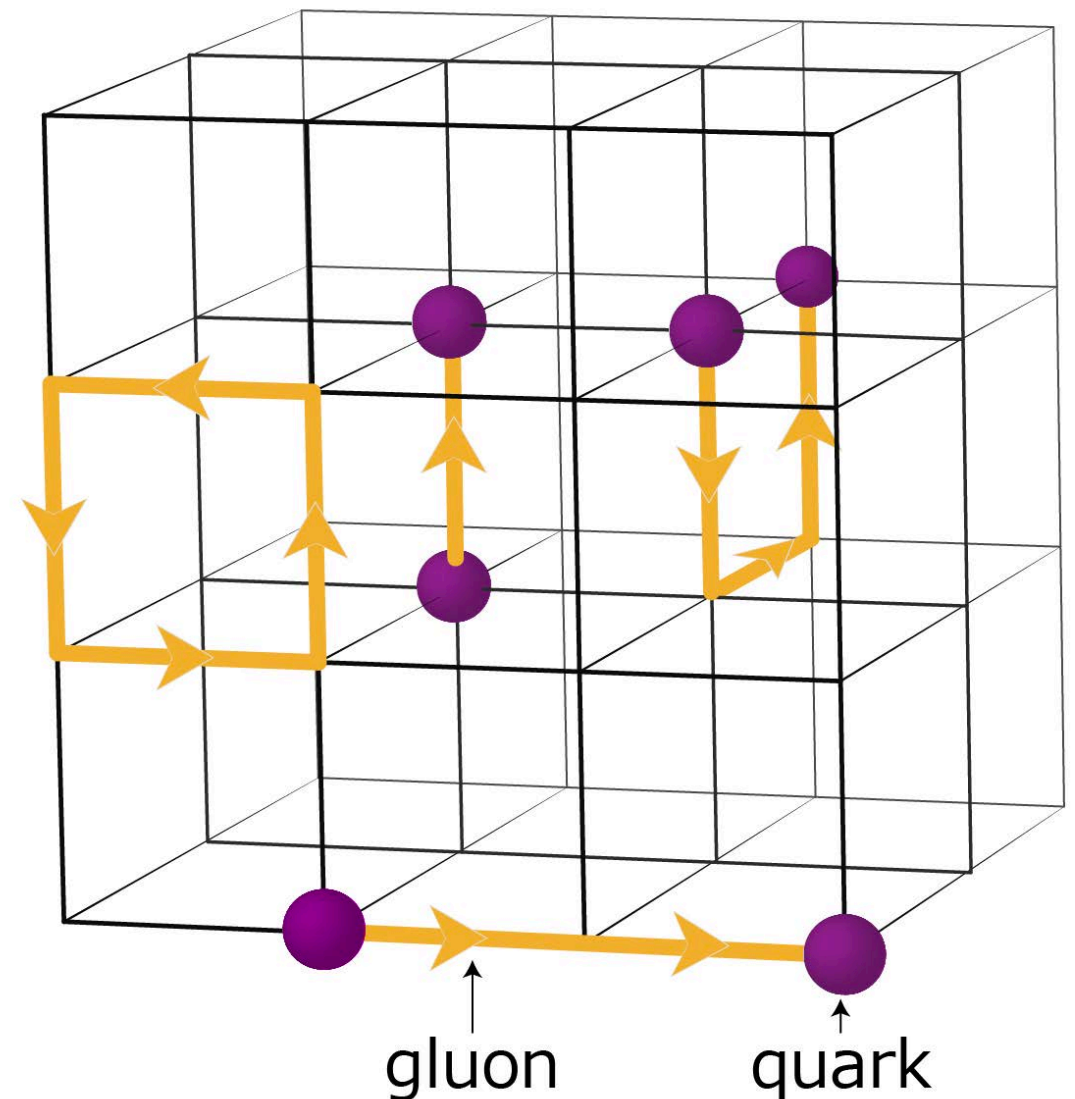
$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \int_{\text{paths}} d(\text{path}) \mathcal{O}(\text{path})$$

If continuous spacetime is replaced with a finite-size discrete lattice of points, path integrals become well-defined multidimensional integrals

Quark path integral in QCD
analytically calculable

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \int \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{D}\bar{q} \mathcal{D}q e^{-S_{QCD}(U, q, \bar{q})} \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_G(U)} \det(\not{D}(U) + m_q) \end{aligned}$$

Gluon path integral performed
numerically with Monte Carlo sampling



Quark propagators

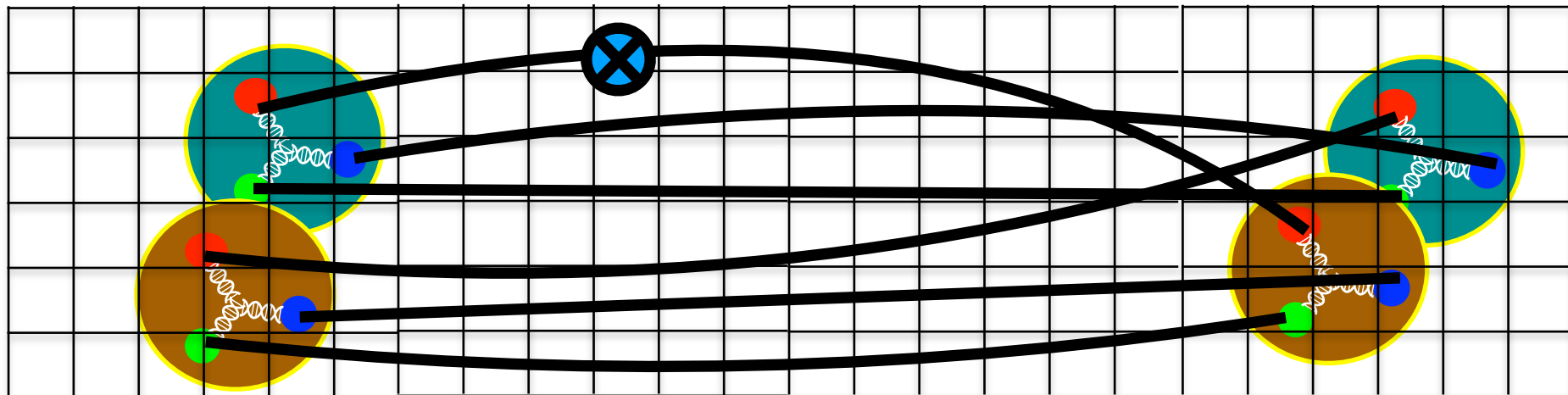
For a fixed gluon field configuration, quark propagators calculable with linear algebra

$$\langle q(x)\bar{q}(y) \rangle = (\not{D} + m_q)_{xy}^{-1}$$

Usually more efficient to solve linear equations with a given source, “point-to-all” propagator

$$(\not{D} + m_q)_{xy}q(y) = s(x)$$

Repeatedly solving this linear system for a $10^9 \times 10^9$ sparse matrix often dominant computational cost



More complex observables built from tensor products quark propagators

From quarks to nuclei

Nuclei can be constructed from lattice QCD path integrals by contracting quark propagators with appropriately symmetrized nuclear wavefunctions

NPLQCD,
PRL 87 (2013)

Yamazaki et al,
PRD 86 (2012)

Detmold and Orginos,
PRD 87 (2013)

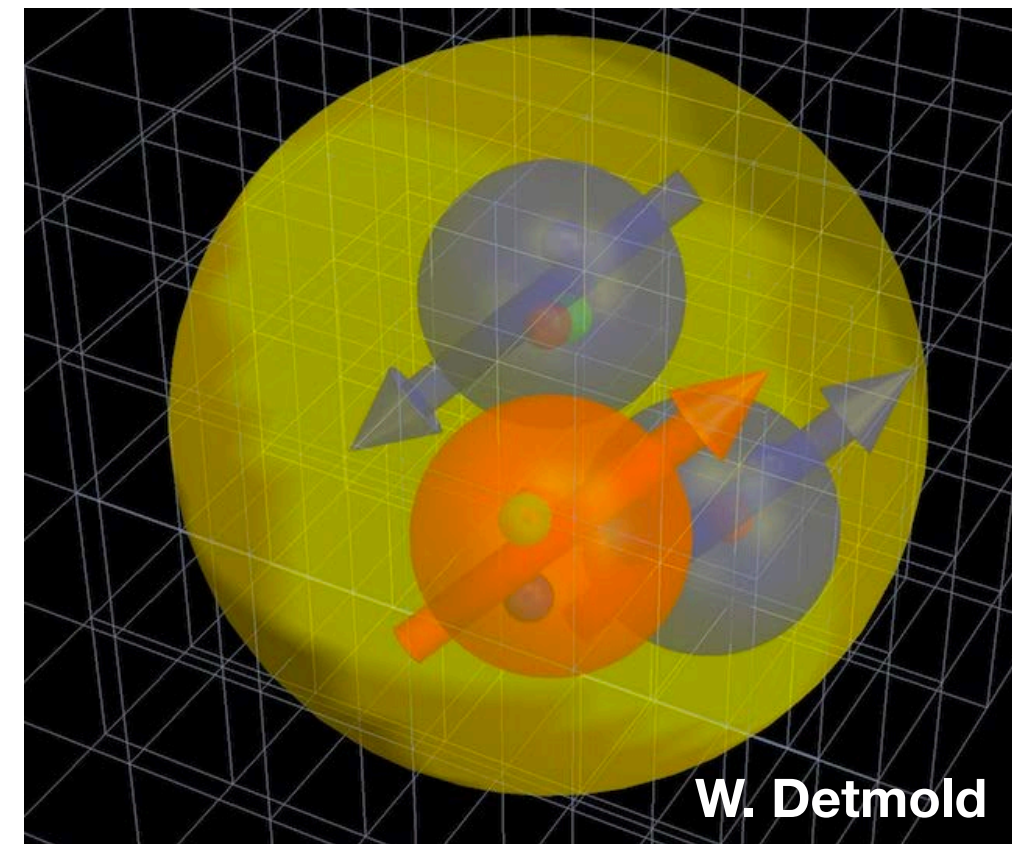
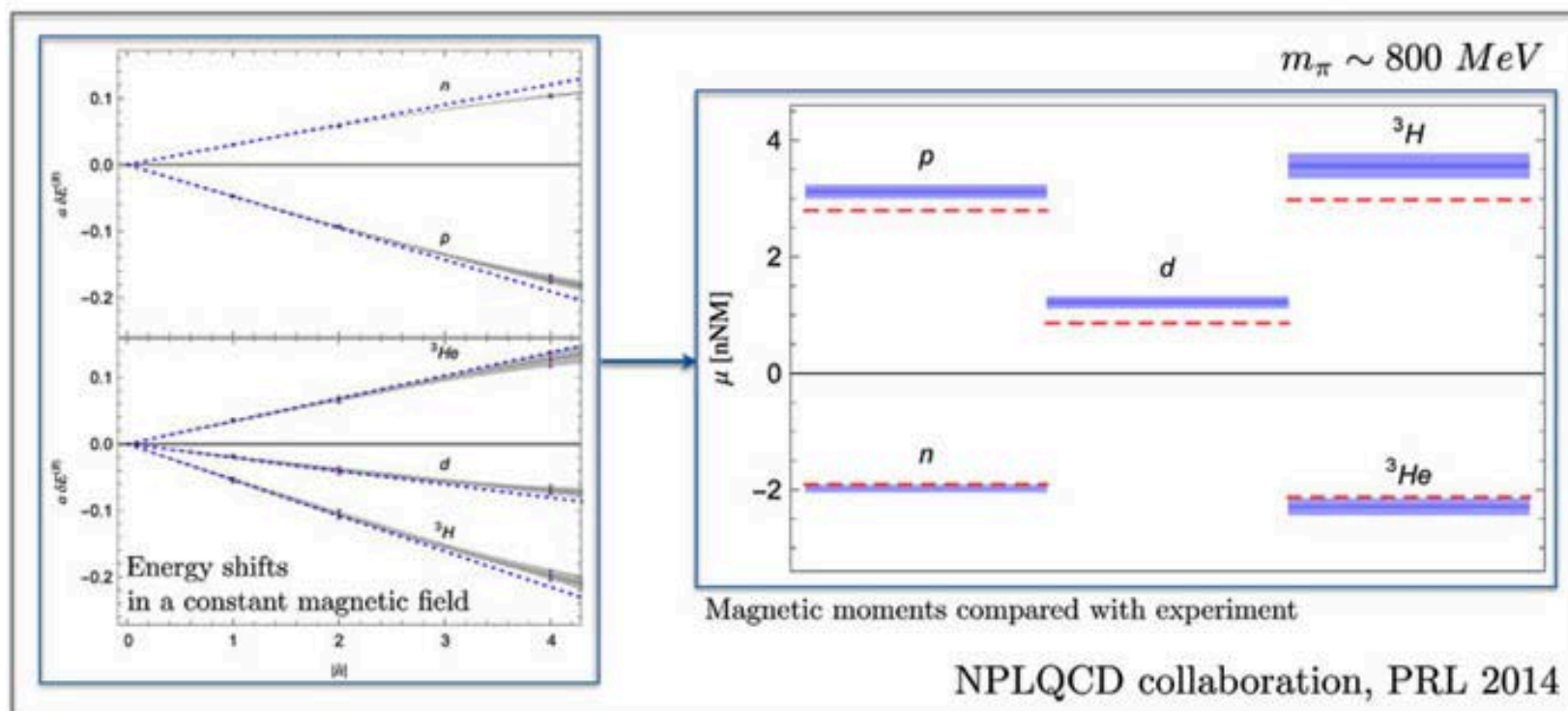
Doi and Endres, Comput. Phys.
Commun. 184 (2013)

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Calculations performed at unphysically heavy quark masses so far

Naive shell model describes the magnetic moments of light nuclei in nature and at heavier quark masses with surprisingly good accuracy

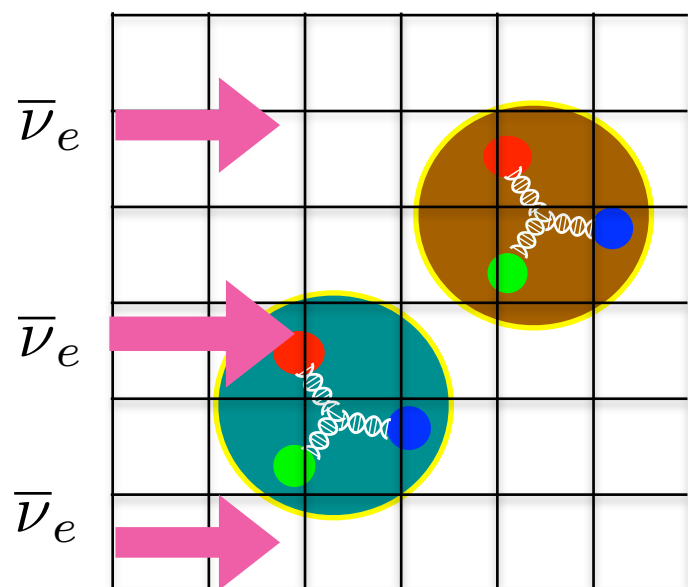
Magnetic moment of light nuclei from QCD



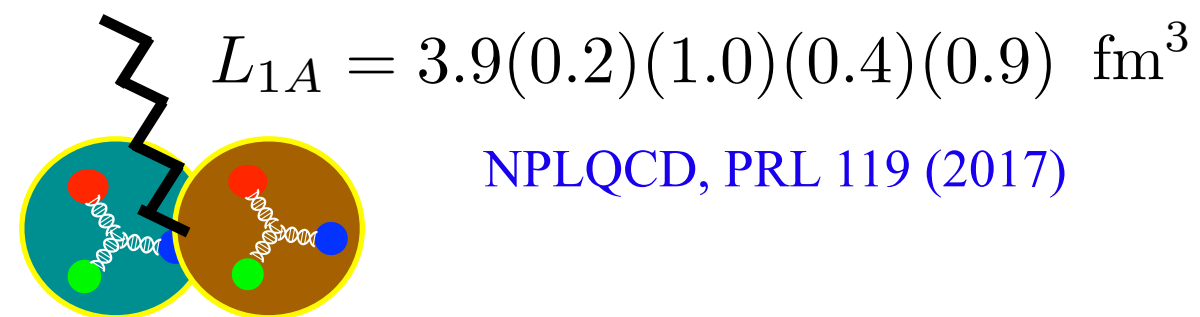
W. Detmold

Nuclear interactions

Coupling of nucleus to external probe (photon, W-boson, ...) obtained from response to background field



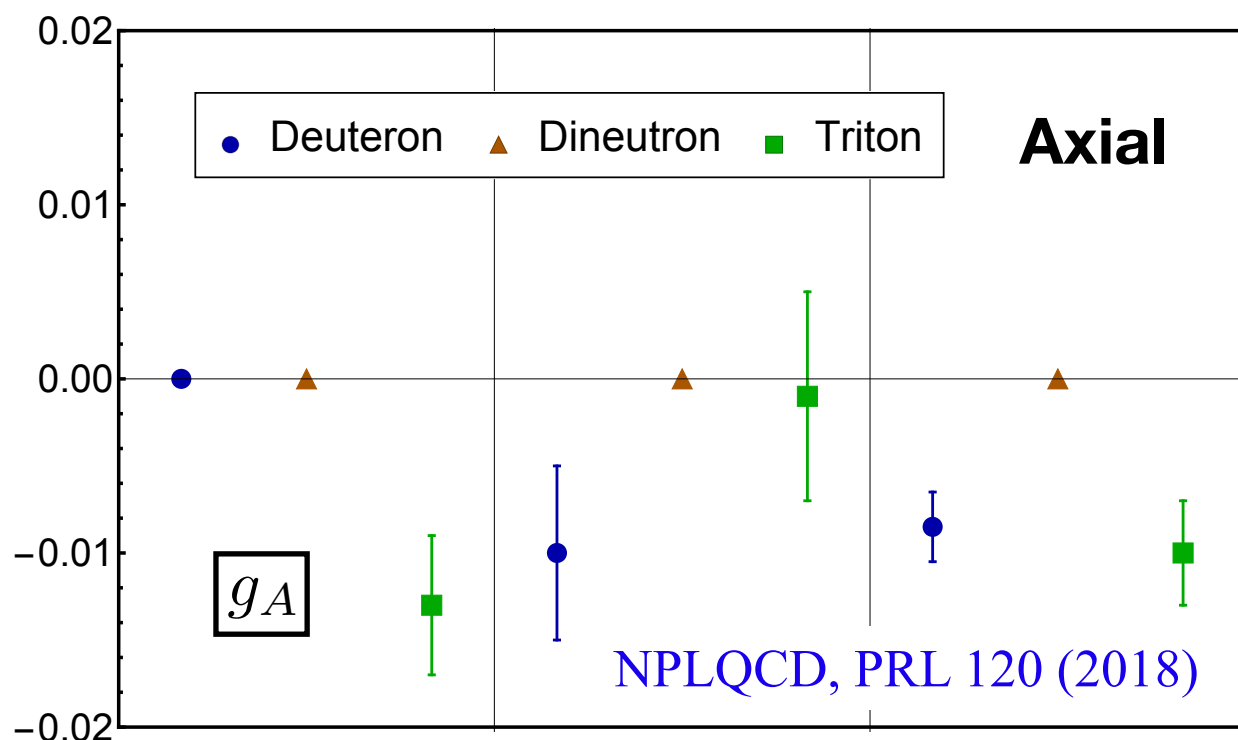
Useful for computing experimentally inaccessible observables, e.g. proton-proton fusion rate



$$L_{1A} = 3.9(0.2)(1.0)(0.4)(0.9) \text{ fm}^3$$

NPLQCD, PRL 119 (2017)

$$\frac{\Delta g_A^{(u-d)}}{4S_3 T_3 g_A^{(u-d)}} \quad \frac{\Delta g_A^{(u+d+s)}}{2S_3 g_A^{(u+d+s)}} \quad \frac{\Delta g_A^{(u+d-2s)}}{2S_3 g_A^{(u+d-2s)}}$$



NPLQCD, PRL 120 (2018)

W-boson (axial) couplings of light nuclei differ from naive shell model productions by O(1%)

$$m_\pi \sim 800 \text{ MeV}$$

Dark matter and nuclei

QCD effects reduce scalar couplings to light quarks by 1(1)% with nucleon number $A=2$ and 4(1)% with $A=3$

Scalar coupling to strange quarks reduced by 10(4)% in ${}^3\text{H}$

— Dominant coupling in some BSM models

Are QCD effects on scalar couplings generically larger than axial couplings?

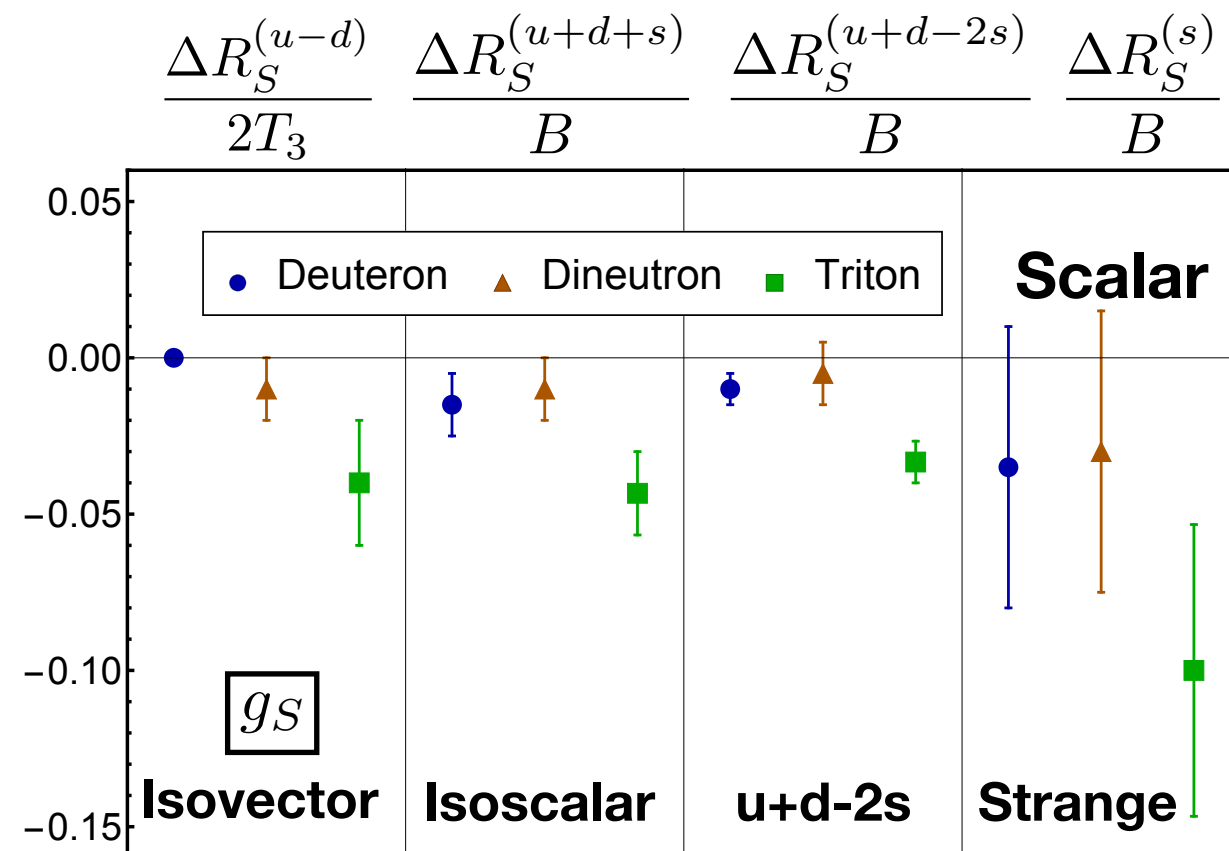
If yes, QCD effects important for interpreting dark matter direct detection experiments

Physical quark mass QCD results will test / inform models of experimentally relevant large nuclei

[Hoferichter, Klos, Menéndez, Schwenk, PRD 94 \(2016\)](#)

[Fieguth et al, PRD 97 \(2018\)](#)

NPLQCD, PRL 120 (2018)



$m_\pi \sim 800 \text{ MeV}$

Challenges ahead

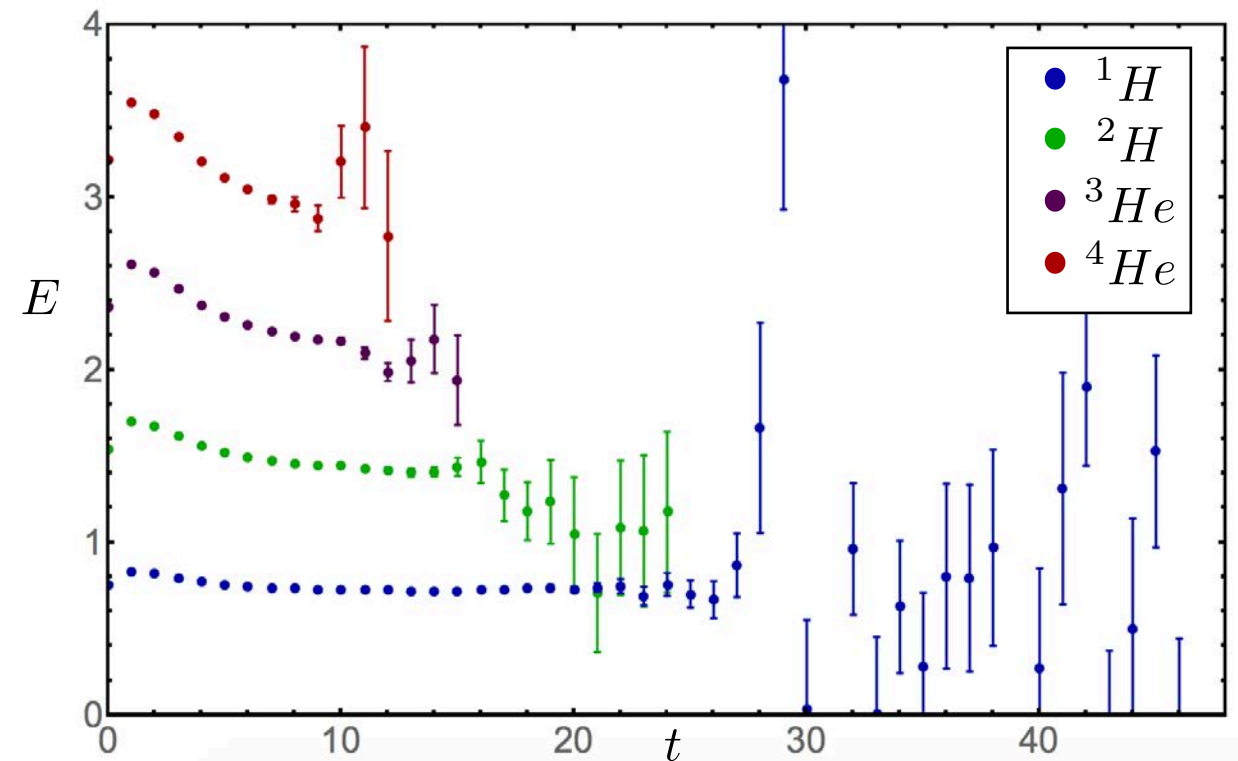
Simple algorithms for light quark propagators
inefficient at lighter quark masses

— ***multigrid algorithms***

Monte Carlo noise grows exponentially as
quark masses are reduced

$$\frac{\text{signal}}{\text{noise}} \propto e^{-A(M_N - \frac{3}{2}m_\pi)t}$$

— ***high-statistics studies targeting
important observables***

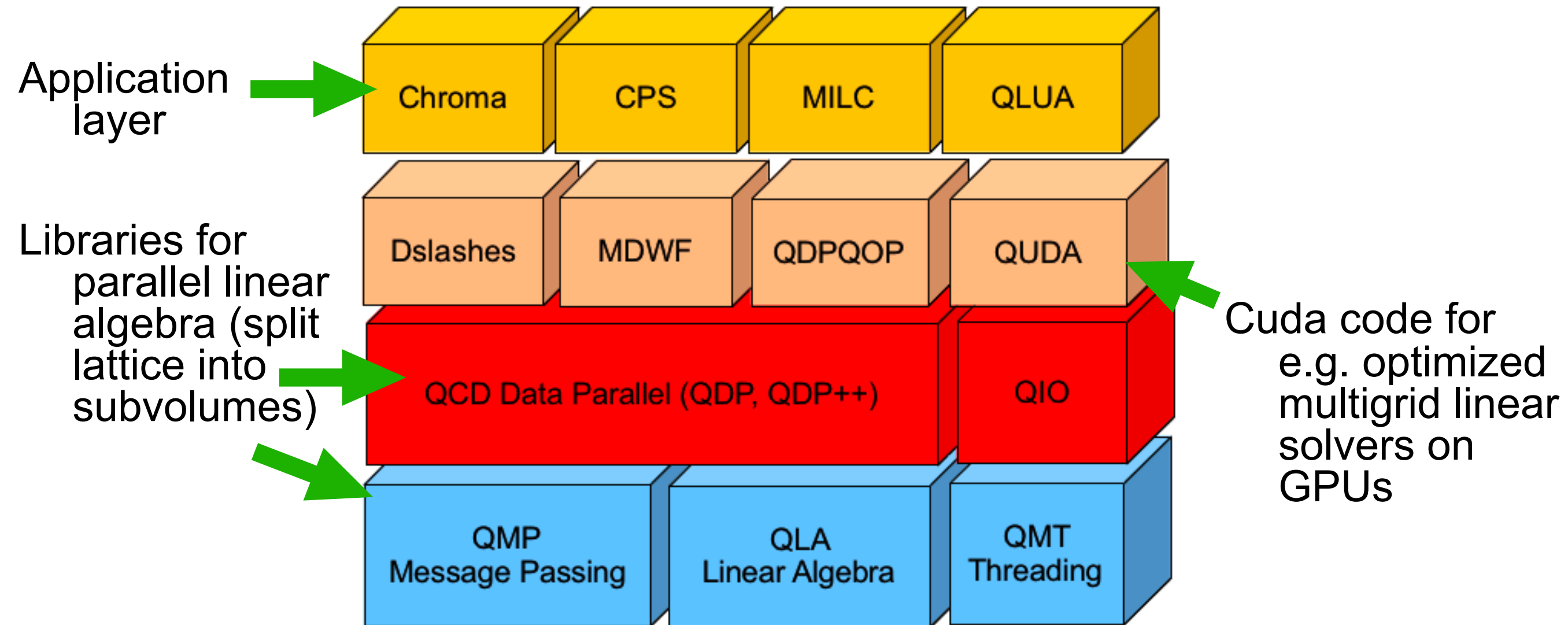


Large lattice volumes require large amounts of memory

Most computational steps are “just” linear algebra, GPUs efficient

— ***ideally suited for parallel computation on many Blue Waters GPU nodes***

Software for solving QCD



QDP-JIT uses JIT compilation with LLVM or PTX to port QDP to GPUs
— effectively ports Chroma to GPUs and avoids Amdahl's law issues

Gluon field generation

Problem 1: gluon field configuration space is big

10^9 dimensional for $64^3 \times 128$ lattice

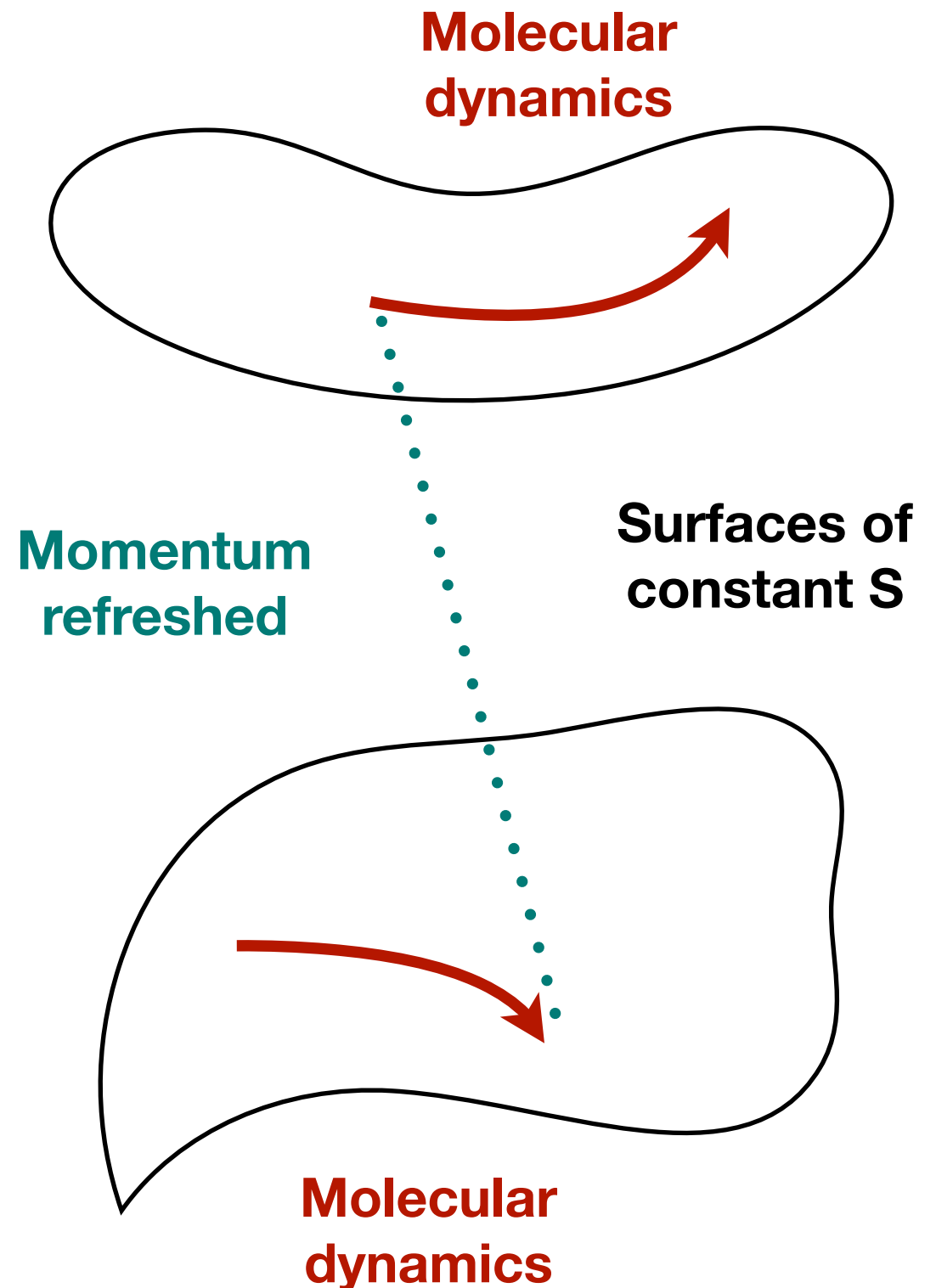
Problem 2: gluon effective action is non-local

$$\text{Prob}(U) = e^{-S_G(U) + \ln \det(\not{D}(U) + m_q)}$$

Solution: **hybrid Monte Carlo**

molecular dynamics with energy \rightarrow action

- 1) Refresh momenta to random values
- 2) Evolve fields along surface of constant S with classical molecular dynamics
- 3) Accept/reject new field configuration



Dealing with determinants

Calculating full determinant of Dirac operator impractical

Pseudofermions: $\det(\not{D} + m_l)^2 = \int \mathcal{D}\varphi^\dagger \mathcal{D}\varphi e^{-\varphi^\dagger (\not{D} + m_l)^{-1} \varphi}$

HMC performed in gluon and pseudofermion configuration space

Light quarks — linear solves become expensive

Hasenbusch preconditioning: $\det(\not{D} + m_l) = \frac{\det(\not{D} + m_l)}{\det(\not{D} + m_0)} \det(\not{D} + m_0)$

Multigrid!

Hasenbusch, Phys. Lett. B 519 (2001)

Strange quarks — pseudofermions only work for squared determinants

Rational HMC: use an approximate square root $\det(\not{D} + m_s) \approx \sqrt{\det(\not{D} + m_s)^2}$

Clark and Kennedy, Nucl. Phys. Proc. Suppl. 129 (2004)

$$\sqrt{x} \approx \alpha_0 + \sum_i \frac{\alpha_i}{x + \beta_i}$$

Contributions from all poles efficiently calculated using multi-shift solvers

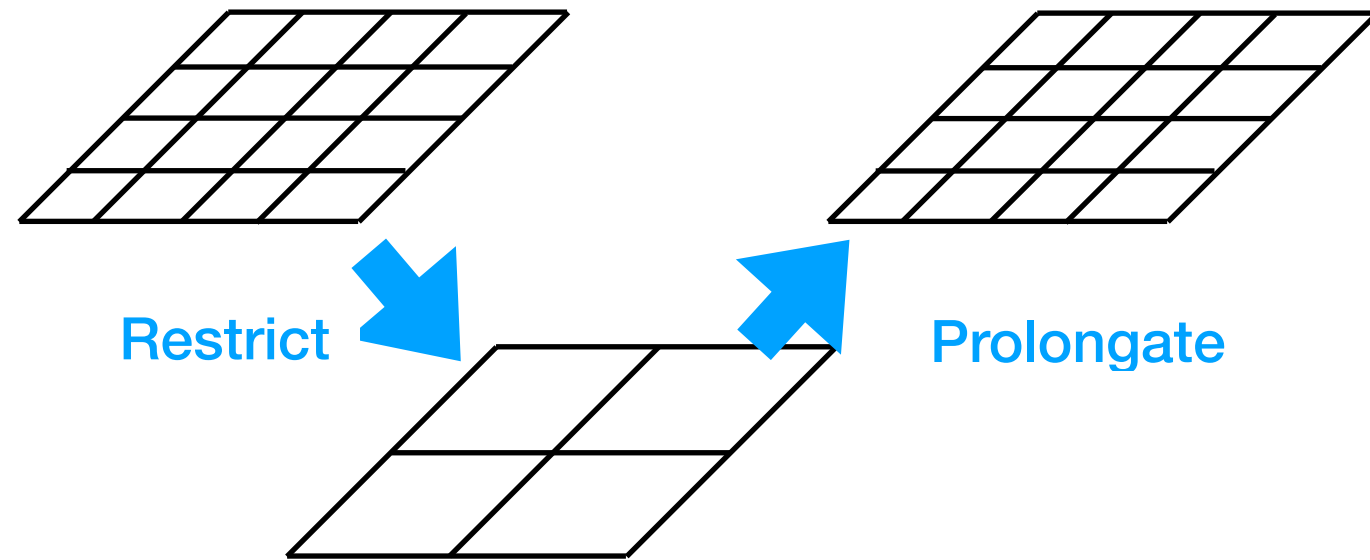
Frommer et al, Int. J. Mod. Phys. C 6 (1995)

Multigrid

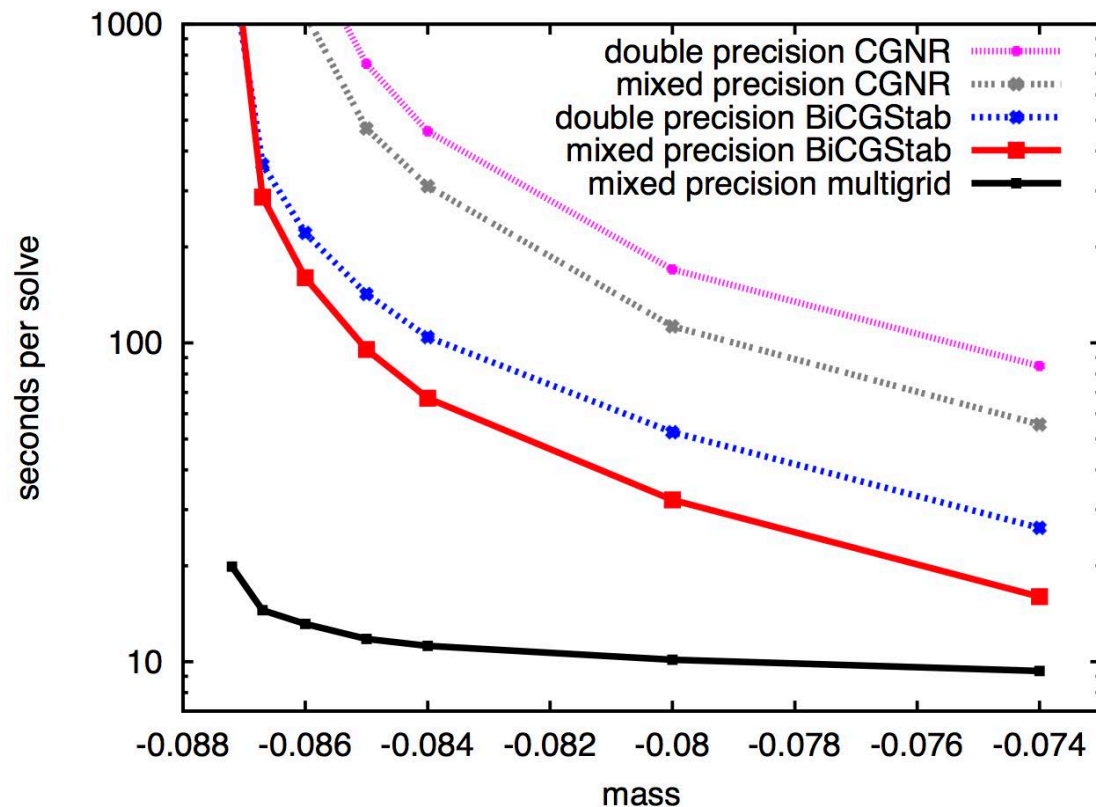
Low modes of the Dirac operator are responsible for “critical slowing down”

Low modes less low on coarser grid

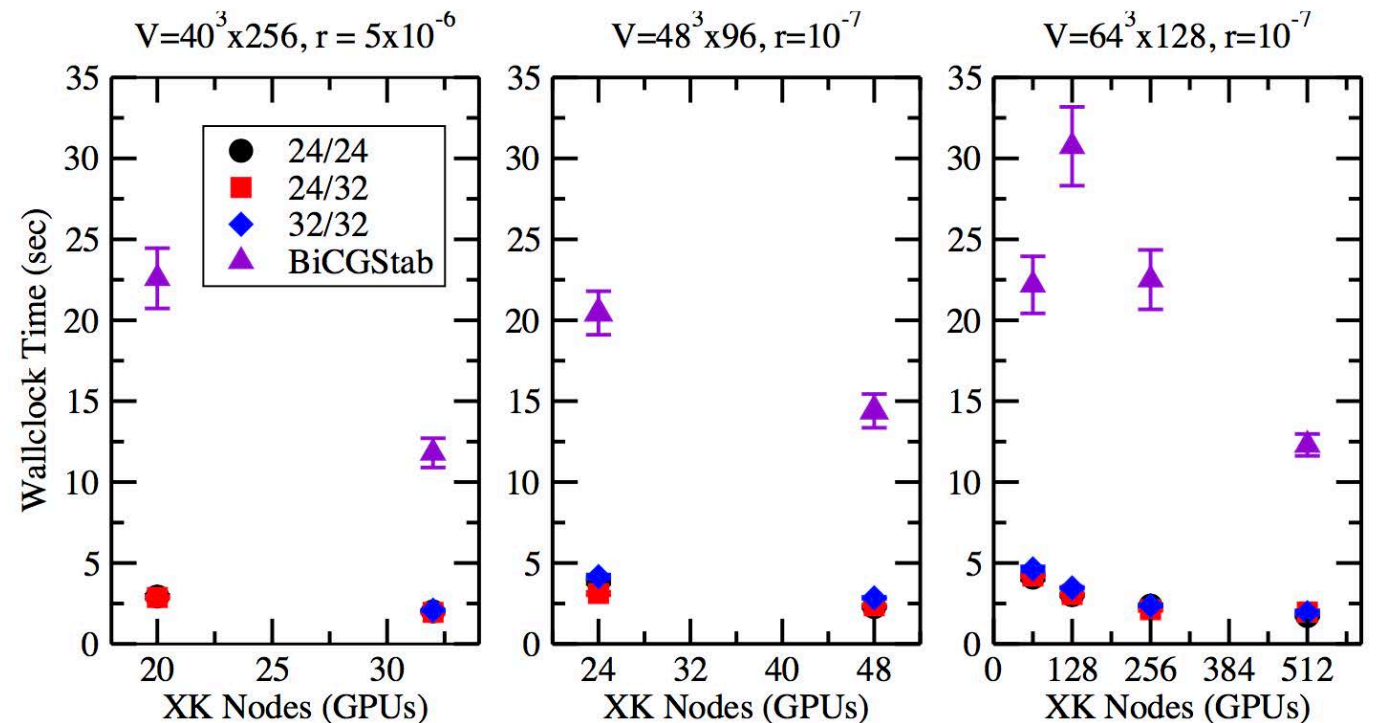
Coarse-grid solution smoothed and prolonged, provides initial guess (preconditioner) for fine-grid solve



Babich et al, PRL 105 (2010)



Clark et al, SC 16 Article 68 (2016)



Practical speedups of 10x or more for light quark solvers

HMC performance on BW

$48^3 \times 96$ lattice, **192 nodes**

Light quark solver: 822 s

Strange quark solver: 167 s

HMC force assembly: 492 s

Total: 1481 s

$64^3 \times 128$ lattice, **512 nodes**

Light quark solver: 418 s

Strange quark solver: 182 s

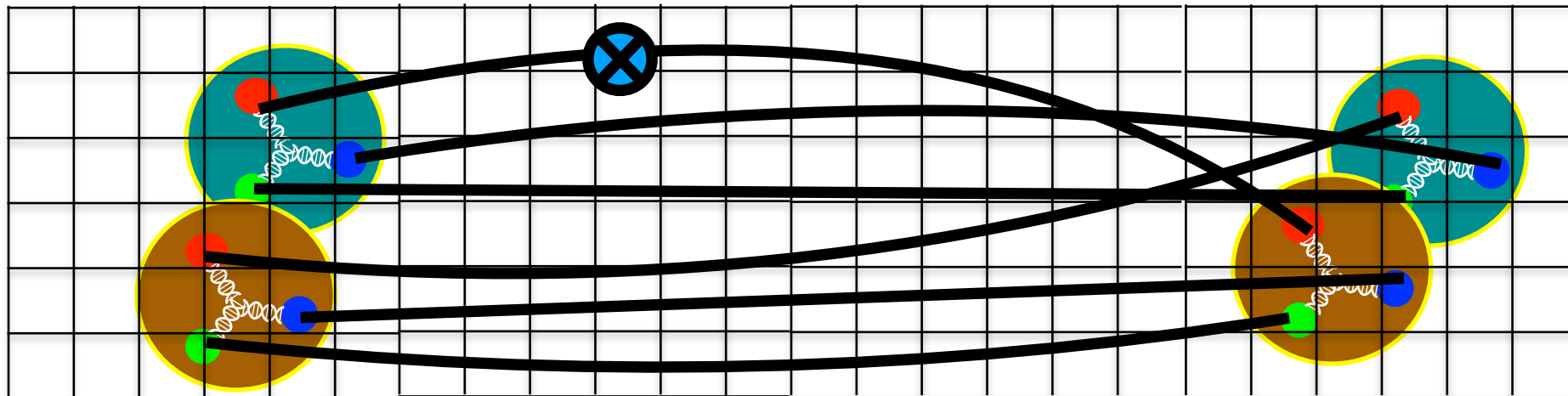
HMC force assembly: 568 s

Total: 1168 s

Large memory needs for multigrid and QDP-JIT  many node jobs

Light quark solver pieces:	25%	multigrid null space
	(7+8+11+18+25)%	Hasenbusch ratios
($48^3 \times 96$)	7%	other QUDA operations

Building nuclei from quarks on BW



**One quark propagator
per gluon field**

**512 quark propagators
per gluon field**

$48^3 \times 96$ lattice, **128 nodes**

Quark wave functions: 14 s

Multigrid nullspace: **579 s**

Light quark solver: 6 s

Baryon blocks: 33 s

Total: **632 s**

$48^3 \times 96$ lattice, **128 nodes**

Quark wave functions: 7,168 s

Multigrid nullspace: **579 s**

Light quark solver: 3,072 s

Sparse baryon blocks: 169 s

Total: **10,988 s**

Impact

Our Blue Waters running began April, 2019

- *results will provide insight into QCD effects on scalar currents needed to reliably interpret dark matter direct detection experiments*

Same lattices useful for other calculations (fusion rates, double beta-decay, ...)

- *lattices will be made publicly available to broaden impact of Blue Waters production*

Calculations of nuclei with physical quark masses possible thanks to efficient algorithms and 100+ node Blue Waters GPU jobs

