



*From the "Proof of Concept" to EuroHPC: a user journey
across the HPC landscape in Europe*



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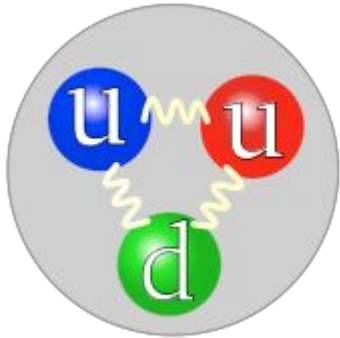
Standard Model

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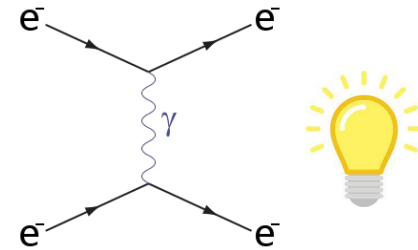
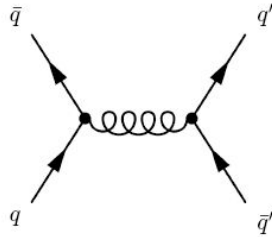
Quantum Chromo Dynamics

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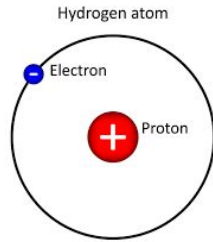
**QCD is about gluon exchanges
among coloured particles**



**Analogy: QED is about photon
exchanges among charged particles**

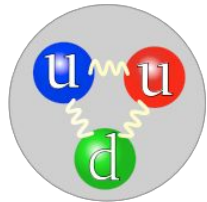
QCD is formulated in terms of **quarks and gluons** → **we believe** those are the basic degrees of freedom (“bricks”) that make up hadronic (protons et. al) matter

What do we mean by strong ? comparison with QED



electromagnetism:

$$\frac{E_{\text{bind}}(H)}{(m_e + m_p)c^2} \simeq 1.4 \times 10^{-7}$$



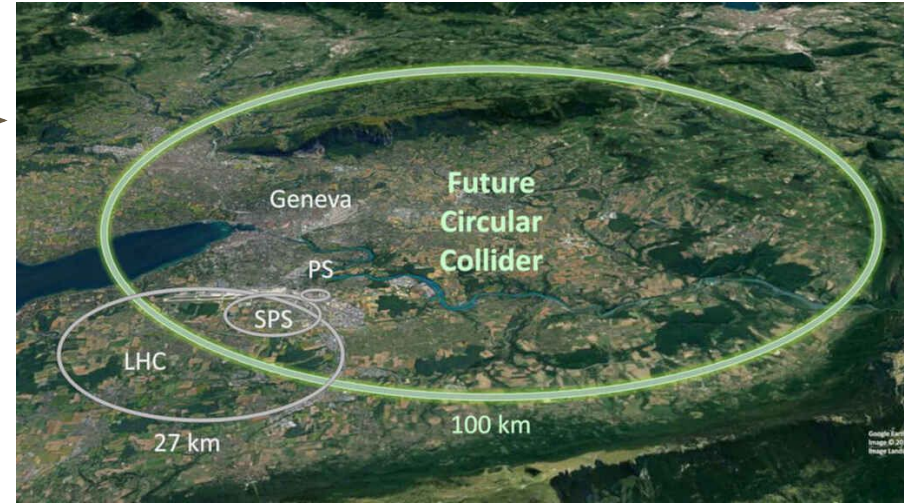
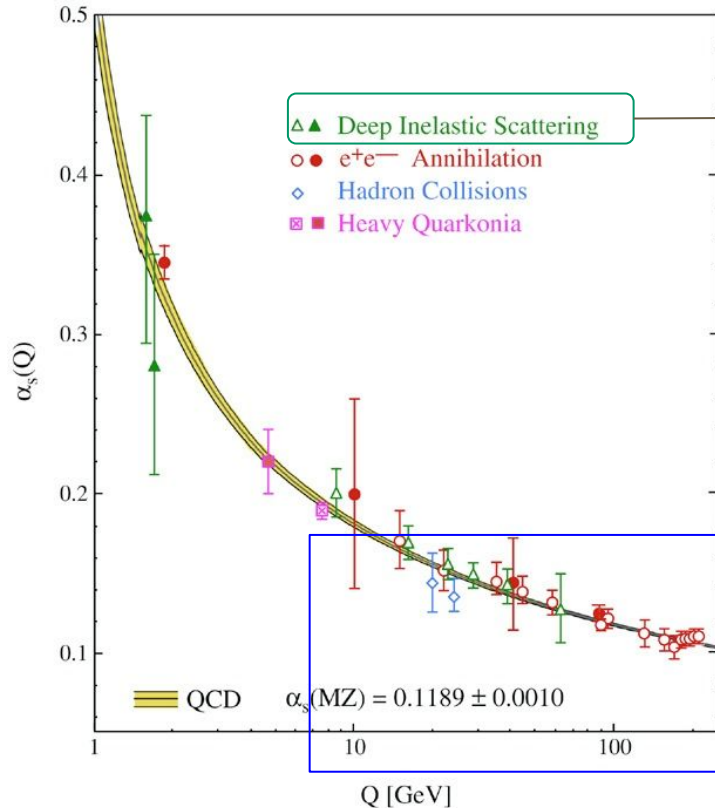
strong interaction:

$$\frac{E_{\text{bind}}(\text{proton})}{(2m_u + m_d)c^2} \sim 60$$

8 orders of magnitude compared with QED

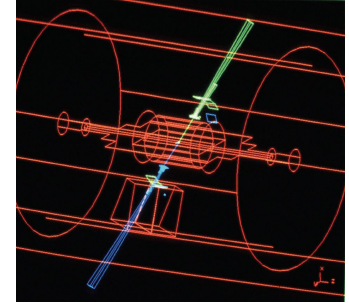
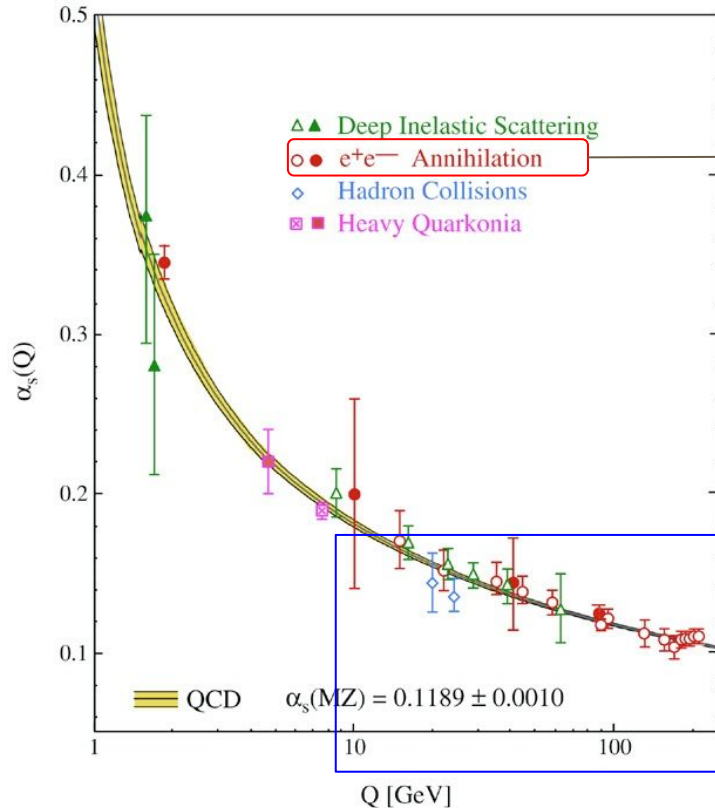


The strength of the coupling between quarks, α , is not constant: it depends on the energy of the quarks



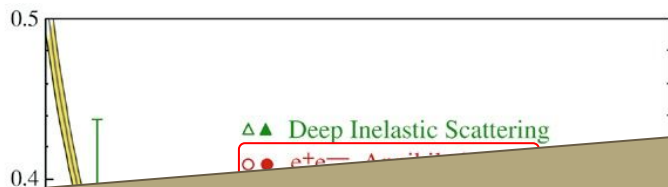
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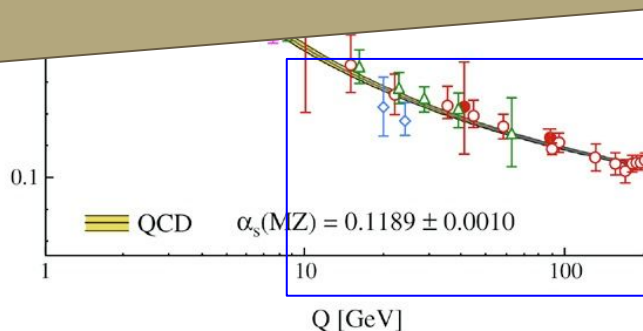
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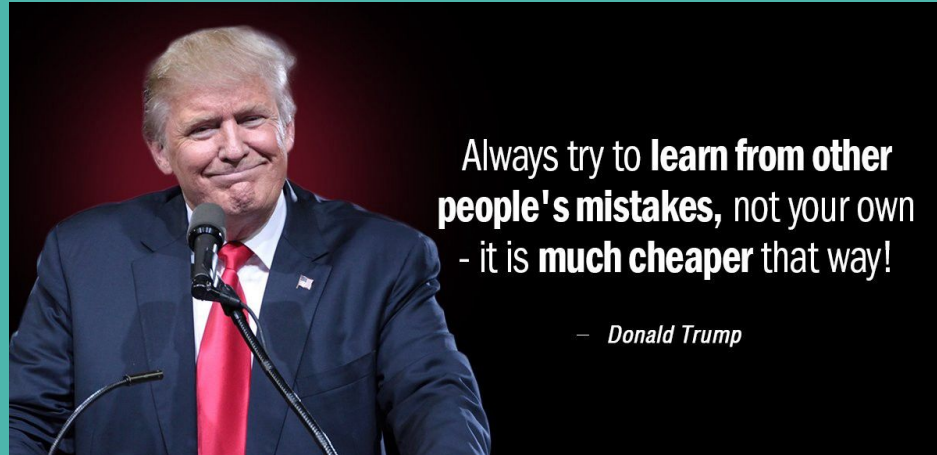
No major computing resources needed for HEP perturbation theory
(workstations, small-medium size clusters)

Experimental LHC data analysis and Simulations are done with High Throughput Computing on the Grid

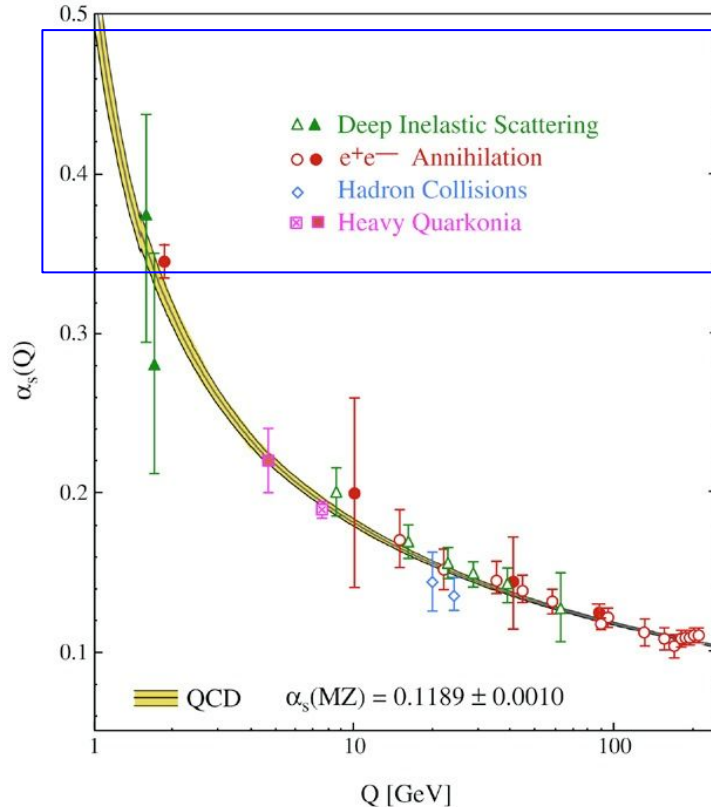


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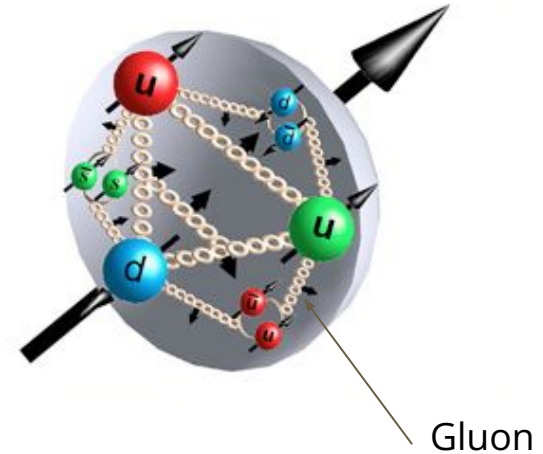
This is the reason why many
HEP colleagues go about their
careers not caring about
Lattice QCD at all...



However at low energies deep in the hadronic world
(~ 1 GeV, ~ 1 fermi, coupling $\alpha_s \sim 1$) life is different

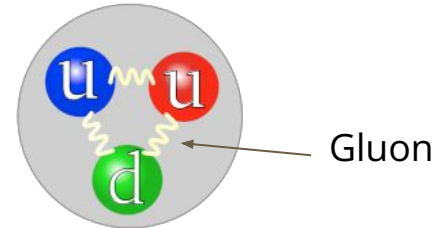


The quarks are strongly coupled, and thus the relevant degrees of freedom are the hadrons themselves



The Hadronic world is responsible for intriguing properties, with deep consequences

- **Confinement:** Quarks and gluons are **confined** into colourless bound states that we call **hadrons**.
- **QCD** has as **free parameters**:
 - **Quarks masses:** u,d,s,c,b,t
 - **Strong coupling constant:** α_s



The conceptual beauty resides in the fact that **all the physical observables can be calculated from those 7 free parameters**: hadron masses, branching ratios, decay constants, etc...

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Which Physical Observables are in the “Lattice QCD side of life” ?

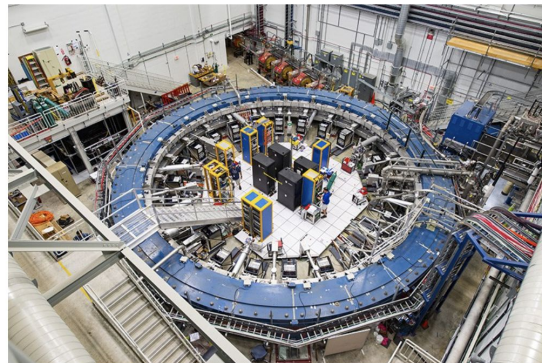
- Properties of **mesons and hadrons** in general;
- Fundamental parameters of the QCD:
 - Is **confinement** a property of QCD ?
 - So far, we have only the experimental observation of quark confinement.
 - Strong coupling **alpha constant, and quark masses determination**
- Possibilities to **probe** the Physic beyond the **Standard Model**:
 - Hadronic contributions to the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon (**g-2**)

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The storage-ring magnet used for the g – 2 experiment at Fermilab. Credit: Reidar Hahn/Fermilab

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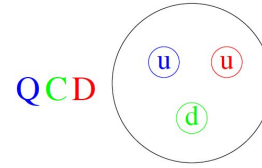


If we suppose that we know all the physical laws perfectly, of course we don't have to pay any attention to computers.

*Quote from the Lectures on:
“Simulating Physics with Computers”,
by Richard Feynman, (1981) Caltech*



Why is the Proton mass so intriguing ?



Proton

- $m_u = 2.3_{-0.5}^{+0.7} \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - $m_d = 4.8_{-0.3}^{+0.7} \text{ MeV}/c^2$
 - $M_p = 938.3 \text{ MeV}/c^2$
- (Strong force)

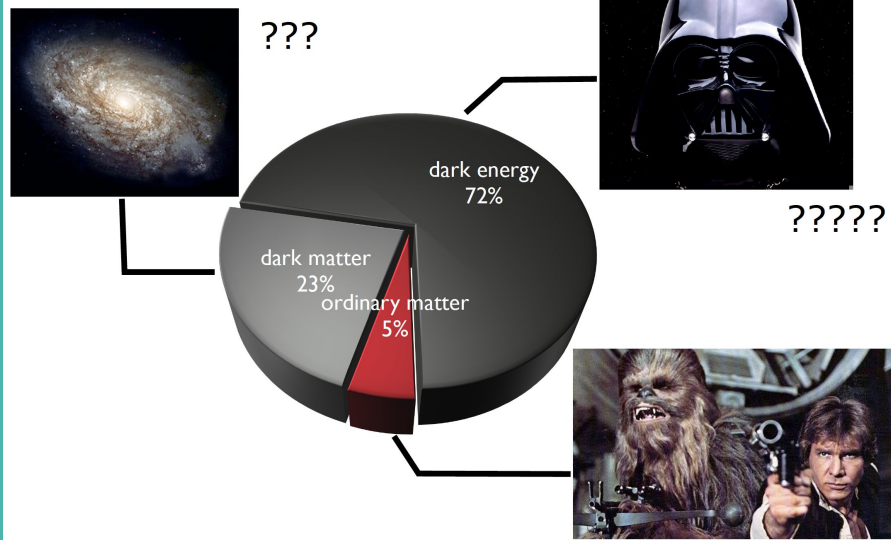
- Almost all the mass of the proton is attributed to **strong non-linear interactions** of the gluons
- Massless gluons and almost massless quarks interact - generating most of the mass.
 - **Only** 1% of the proton's mass comes from the constituent quarks' intrinsic masses.
- **Even switching-off the mass of the quarks, the proton would still have a mass**

The Proton is an emergent (long-range) phenomena resulting from the collective behaviour of quarks and gluons - QCD!

"A 'paradox' is only a conflict between reality and your feeling of what reality is 'ought' to be"



**Such strong Force is a source of
highly non-linear effects:
Could the source of new physics be found there?**



Lattice QCD as the non-perturbative approach

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- The only mathematically well-defined implementation of QCD at Low energies
 - Incidentally also well-defined at High energies
 - Should we have an infinite Computer, we could QCD exactly ;)

Current reach of Lattice QCD simulations

- The current reach of the simulations is in the range **2 - 4 GeV**
 - *up*, *down*, *strange* and *charm* quarks can be directly simulated
- For the *bottom* quark no direct simulations are possible
 - the results you may see quoted use effective theories to include the *b* quark (HQET)

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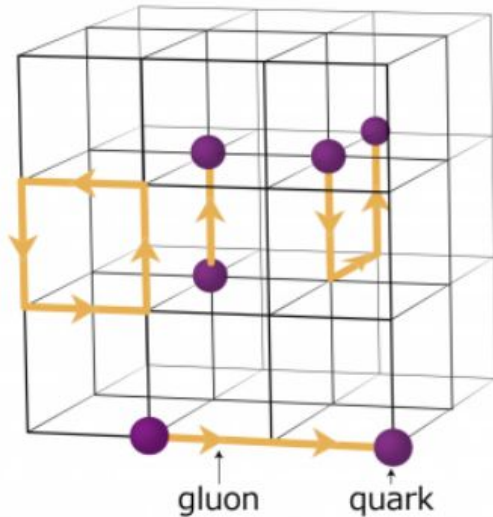
Current

JUST WAITING FOR MORE COMPUTER POWER IS AN INTELLECTUAL DEFEAT (and would not be enough anyway)

Smarter algorithms and new ideas need to be developed in the upcoming years

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Background on Lattice QCD



- Gluon fields are placed on the links of a four dimensional lattice (hypercube);
- Quark fields are placed on sites.
- We substitute Derivatives \rightarrow by finite differences (we are discrete people)

$$\langle O \rangle = Z^{-1} \int [DU] e^{-S[U]} O(U) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N O[U_i]$$

Very high dimensional integral \rightarrow Monte-Carlo methods

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How does it work (in a nutshell):

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Mike Creutz

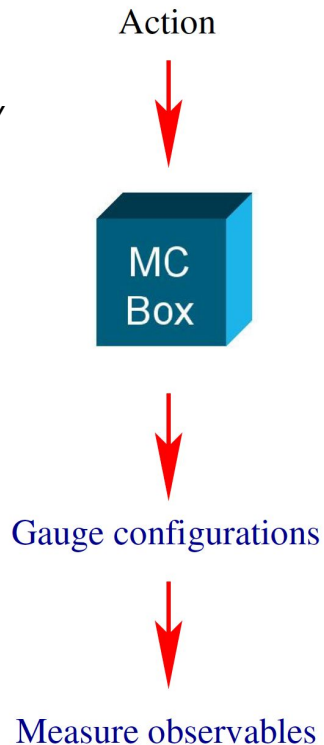
www.latticeguy.net

First Lattice QCD simulation ever:

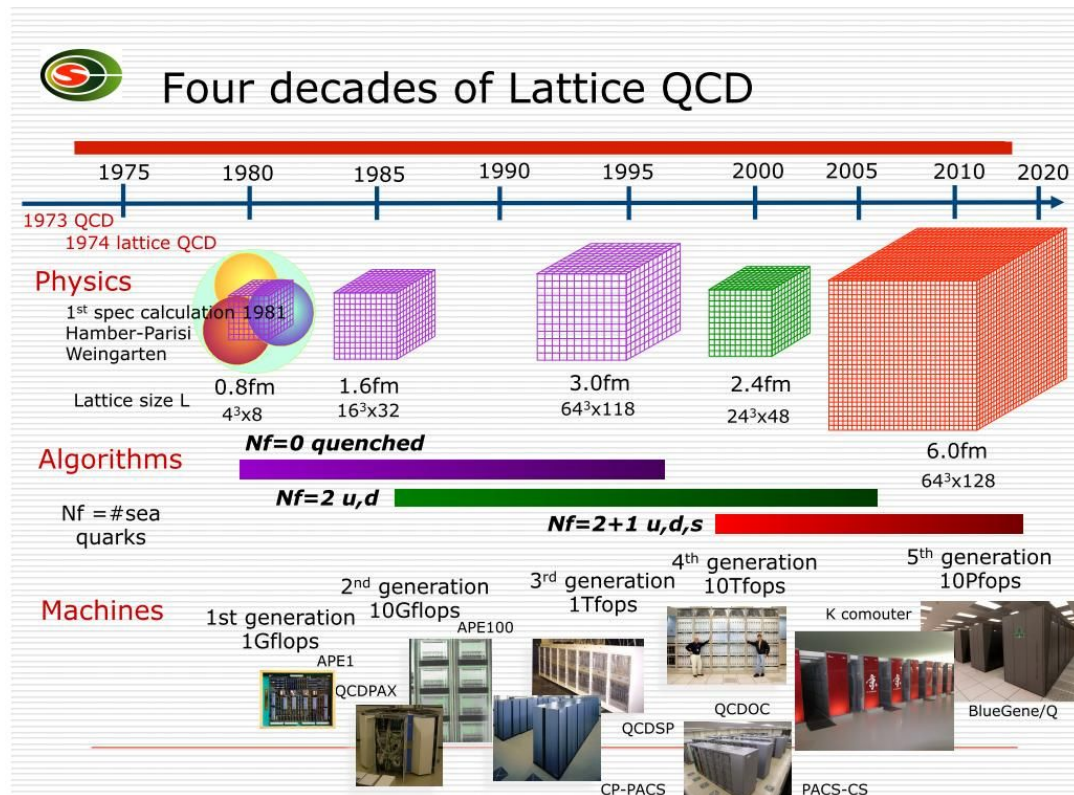
Monte Carlo study of Quantized $SU(2)$ Theory
Phys.Rev. D21 (1980)
(**over 1000 citations**)

Let's compute:

- Start with some (e.g. hot or cold) configuration.
- Update each link of the configuration = one sweep.
- Run for many equilibrating sweeps.
- Continue sweeping and measure observables every k sweeps (k depends on the autocorrelation time).



Background on Lattice QCD



A **pioneering community**: instrumental **driving force** in processors & computing architecture developments:

- APENext machines
- QCDOC → Blue Gene

- **Lattice QCD is one of the largest consumers of HPC resources in the world** (longstanding **PRACE challenge**).
- Very **sophisticated software suites** targeting different architectures, but also MonteCarlo integrators and solvers.

**Very interesting, but....
what has Lattice QCD ever done for us ?**



Top-level technical contributions of wide applicability

or how inverting the Dirac operator with fermion fields on the Lattice
generated true innovation even without being a “Sustainable Development OECD Objective”

RANLUX: used eg. in GEANT4 (*very popular package)
by **Martin Lüscher:** <http://luscher.web.cern.ch/luscher/ranlux>

- ranlux is part of the **C++ standard library**
- Included in the GNU Scientific Library



Abstract

We present a new method for the numerical simulation of lattice field theory. A hybrid (molecular dynamics/Langevin) algorithm is used to guide a Monte Carlo simulation. There are no discretization errors even for large step sizes. The method is especially efficient for systems such as quantum chromodynamics which contain fermionic degrees of freedom. Detailed results are presented for four-dimensional compact quantum electrodynamics including the dynamical effects of electrons.

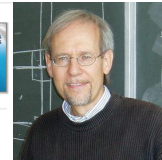


The Hybrid Monte Carlo algorithm: widely used in scientific simulations by many research areas. Invented by the **Lattice group of the University of Edinburgh (Tony Kennedy et al.)**



Abstract

The theory underlying a proposed random number generator for numerical simulations in elementary particle physics and statistical mechanics is discussed. The generator is based on an algorithm introduced by Marsaglia and Zaman, with an important added feature leading to demonstrably good statistical properties. It can be implemented exactly on any computer complying with the IEEE-754 standard for single-precision floating-point arithmetic.

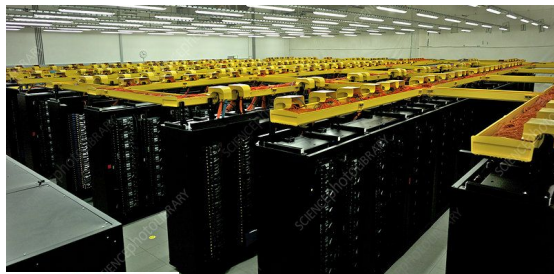


What does this entail from the Computational resources point of view ?

Example: Calculating light quark (u,d,s) masses <https://arxiv.org/abs/1911.08025>

Simulate the hadronic world with the best possible accuracy to compute α and quark masses,...

Low Energy ($L = 1$ fm)



PRACE

~ 200 Mi CPU hours

SuperMUC - LRZ (Munich)
JUWELS - Jülich HPC,...

LQCD step-scaling
("Finite Size Scaling")



~ 10 Mi. CPU hours

Resources at the RES level:
Marenostrum,
Finisterrae-CESGA
Altamira - IFCA,...

Matching with Perturbation Theory/
High Energy regime to **compare with**
experiment

High Energy ($L = 0.003$ fm)



~ 1 Mi. CPU hours

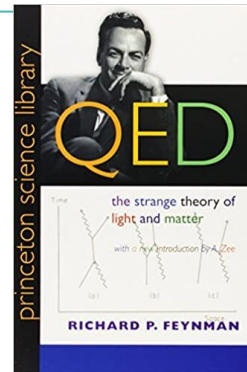
Workstations, small
clusters,...



The Nobel Prize in Physics 1965 was awarded jointly to Sin-Itiro Tomonaga, Julian Schwinger and Richard P. Feynman "for their fundamental work in quantum electrodynamics, with deep-ploughing consequences for the physics of elementary particles"

QCD+QED

*Understanding the Stability of the Universe
from First Principles*



What exactly are we up to ? investigate the Physical consequences of Isospin Symmetry Breaking

- Isospin is an approximate symmetry of QCD

Under an isospin transformation, the up and down quarks are rotated one into another.

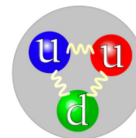
- Isospin-breaking effects on hadronic observables are of order of 1% but very important

It is because of isospin breaking that we are here today !

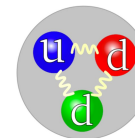
Since isospin-breaking effects are generally small, traditionally lattice QCD simulations are performed in the isospin-symmetric limit.

This approximation is no longer justified when observables need to be calculated with a $> 1\%$ precision to match precision of current experiments.

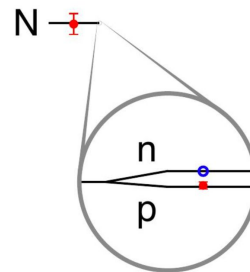
Proton



Neutron



SU(2) isospin symmetry: $u \leftrightarrow d$



SU(2) is violated by
- quark mass difference
- electric charge difference

On the per mil level $\Delta M_N / M_N = 0.14\%$ arising from a competition of the two.

The value of ΔM_N is **neccessary for the observed Universe:**

- $\delta M_N < 0.05\% \rightarrow$ inverse β -decay leaves only neutrons
- $\delta M_N > 0.14\% \rightarrow$ much faster β -decay, no heavy elements

https://workshops.ift.uam-csic.es/files/172/kalman_szabo_xmas14.pdf

Including QED effects in QCD simulations: small effect in size, but key to probe the Standard Model

At the current levels of experimental precision, the up and down quark mass difference and the coupling to QED cannot be neglected.

Including in the simulations of Lattice QCD the fact that quarks have an electric charge

→ Besides the **Theoretical complexity** (solved only very recently), the **cost of the simulation** increases considerably (order of magnitude)

Science News

from research organizations

Theory of the strong interaction verified: Supercomputer calculates mass difference between neutron and proton

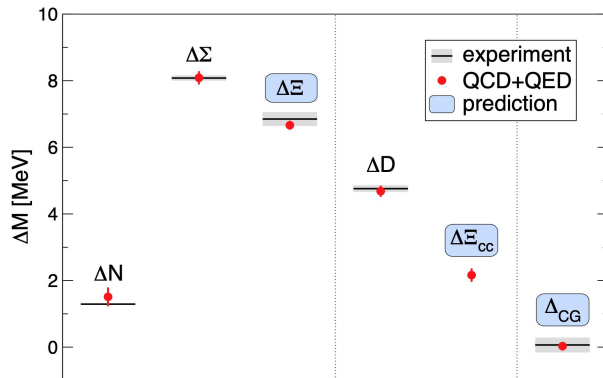
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Source: Forschungszentrum Juelich

What can we measure ?

- To explain the mass splitting between Proton and Neutrons
 - Protons and Neutrons have a tiny mass difference (0.14%)
 - How does it arise? Electromagnetic effects: the charge of the constituent quarks is different: up ($+\frac{2}{3}$) ; down ($-\frac{1}{3}$)
- Improve the determination of observables that have reached the 1% precision and are relevant for the LHC decay rates of light mesons
- Electromagnetic corrections to key observables involved in testing the existence of New Physics: Anomalous magnetic moments (eg. **g-2**)

<https://doi.org/10.1126/science.1257050>



Investigating the effect of Quantum ElectroDynamics in QCD

→ We included QED effects on the QCD code in a theoretically sound way: imposing C^* boundary conditions to avoid that Gauss law destroyed the theory on the lattice (**RC* collaboration**)

- Starting from the most advanced open source Lattice QCD code

OpenQCD: <http://luscher.web.cern.ch/luscher/openQCD>

- Adhering to **Open Source** principles (GPLv2 license)
- We added QED, and called it **OpenQ*D**:
- The code is used to generate gauge configurations and measure physical observables.

<https://gitlab.com/rcstar/openQxD>

Requirements in terms of HPC resources:

- ★ **Exploratory studies** require about 512 - 1024 cores (months)...
- ★ **Production** runs require a minimum of 8000 cores/year (several years)



Collaboration:

- Humboldt University (Berlin), **Agostino Patella**
- Tor Vergata U. & INFN (Rome), **Nazario Tantalo**
- Trinity College (Dublin): **Patrick Fritzsche**
- ETH (Zurich): **Marina Krstic Marinkovic**
- IFCA - CSIC (Santander): **Isabel Campos**



+ 12 students, postdocs...

<https://pages.cms.hu-berlin.de/lattice-field-theory/lft-web-site/research/qcd+qed/>

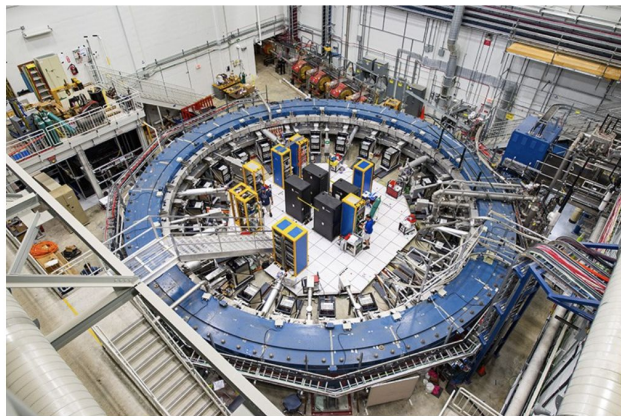
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News

First results from Fermilab's Muon $g-2$ experiment strengthen evidence of new physics

April 7, 2021



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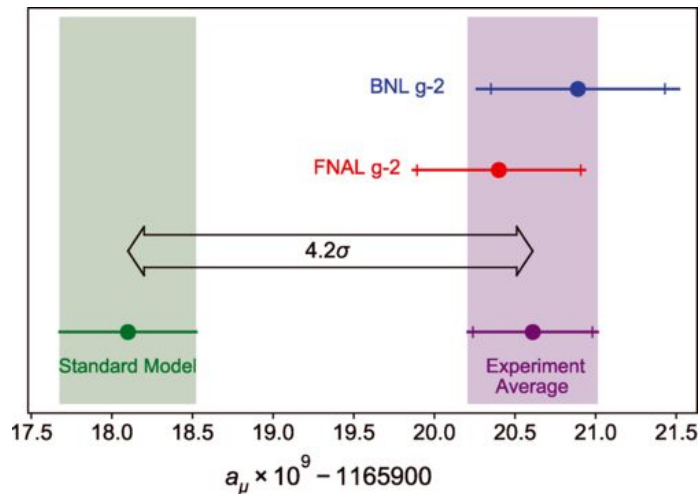
The long-awaited [first results](#) from the Muon $g-2$ experiment at the U.S. Department of Energy's Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory show fundamental particles called muons behaving in a way that is not predicted by scientists' best theory, the Standard Model of particle physics. This [landmark result](#), made with unprecedented precision, confirms a discrepancy that has been gnawing at researchers for decades.

The strong evidence that muons deviate from the Standard Model calculation might hint at exciting new physics. Muons act as a window into the subatomic world and could be interacting with yet undiscovered particles or forces.

"Today is an extraordinary day, long awaited not only by us but by the whole international physics community," said Graziano Venanzoni, co-spokesperson of the Muon $g-2$ experiment and physicist at the Italian National Institute for Nuclear Physics. "A large amount of credit goes to our young researchers who, with their talent, ideas and enthusiasm, have allowed us to achieve this incredible result."

Experimental versus Theoretical prediction of (g-2): is the Standard Model broken?

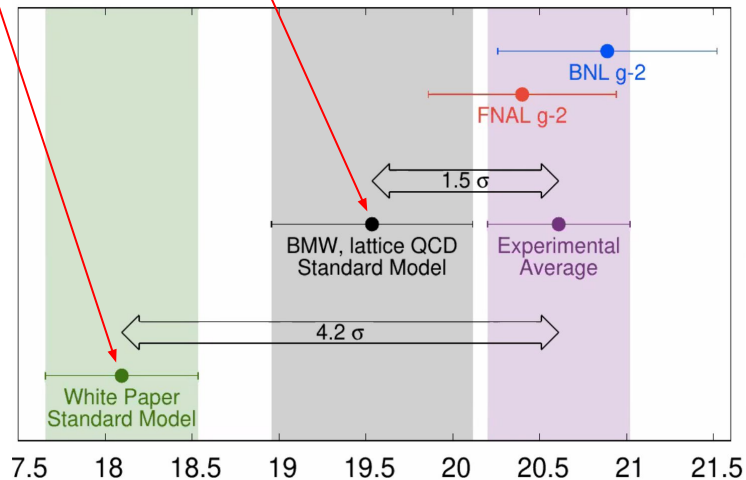
Computing the prediction of the Standard Model using
perturbation theory



Computing the prediction of the Standard Model
using **Lattice QCD**, and compare with the
experimental prediction

Ops!

Maybe
not!



Standard Model (g-2) value from:

<https://muon-gm2-theory.illinois.edu/white-paper>

The Standard Model is tough!

A last minute update

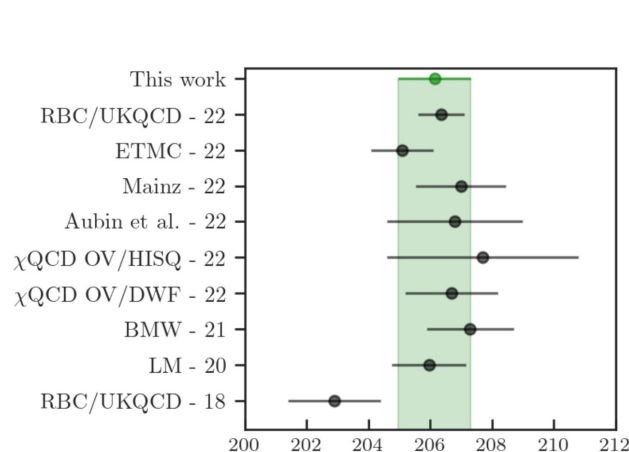
https://www.benasque.org/2022lattice_workshop/talks_contr/158_Gottlieb_gm2_LatticeNET.pdf

Update in September 2022 (Benasque workshop)

Steve Gottlieb updating the LQCD simulations results related to $g-2$

Updated results from major LQCD collaborations tend to agree with the BMW estimation



Unblinded Result for $a_{\mu l}^W(\text{conn.})$






- $206.1(1.2) \times 10^{10}$
- Our result is in excellent agreement with recent results.
- Our error is not quite as small as RBC/UKQCD-22, but comparable to best of the rest.

Our code: openQxD

<https://gitlab.com/rcstar/openQxD>



 **openQxD** 




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devel	Change parms reading in devel/update/ch...	1 year ago
doc	Fix reference in doc/gauge_action.pdf	2 years ago
include	Updated version (1.1) and CHANGELOG	1 year ago
main	Rewrite ms2 (this also goes in 1.1)	1 year ago
minmax	Incorporate MinMax program	3 years ago
modules	Fix open issue inv_nabla_sq	1 year ago
CHANGELOG	Update date in CHANGELOG (this also go...	1 year ago

Software Quality approach

A set of Common Software Quality Assurance Baseline Criteria for Research Projects



A DOI-citable version of this manuscript is available at <http://hdl.handle.net/10261/160086>.

<https://indigo-dc.github.io/sqa-baseline>

A taste our own medicine

→ **Code Accessibility and Licensing: open source under GPLv2 license**

- **[QC.Acc01]** Following the open-source model, the source code being produced **MUST** be open and publicly available to promote the adoption and augment the visibility of the software developments.
- **[QC.Acc02]** Source code **MUST** use a Version Control System (VCS)
- **[QC.Lic01]** As open-source software, source code **MUST** adhere to an open-source license **[QC.Lic02]** License **MUST** be compliant with the Open Source Definition [3].
- **[QC.Lic03]** Licenses **MUST** be physically present (e.g. as a LICENSE file) in the root of all the source code repositories related to the software component.

→ **Code Style: Written in Standard ANSI C**

→ **Code Metadata: No**

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Unit and Functional testing

- The code has a **./devel/** directory where the codes for testing are located
- Testing involves
 - **Consistency tests:** very stringent as it implies fulfilling basic properties of the theory under transformation of the variables: (gauge invariance, fields normalized to "1" etc...)
 - **Algorithmic tests:** convergence and performance of certain operations such as inversions of operators with a given precision
 - **Linear Algebra tests:** making sure that basic algebra operations do what they should do:
 - Specially in the parts of the code programmed in assembly language
 - **I/O test :** making sure the code reads and writes properly
 - Read and write configurations

For the purpose of testing and code development, the programs can also be run on a desktop or laptop computer. All what is needed for this is a compliant C compiler and a local MPI installation such as Open MPI.

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MD force programs	
check1	Gauge and translation invariance of the SU(3) gauge action
check2	SU(3) gauge action of constant Abelian fields
check3	Check of force0() and action0()
check4	Check of sw_su3frc(), hop_su3frc(), sw_u1frc() and hop_u1frc()
check5	Check and performance of the CG solver
check6	Check of force1() and action1()
check7	Check of force2() and action2()
check8	Check and performance of the multi-shift CG solver

```
#if (defined AVX)
#include "avx.h"
#endif

#if (defined FMA3)
complex spinor_prod(int vol,int icom,spinor *s,spinor *r)
{
    complex z;
    complex_dble v,w;
    spinor *sm;

    __asm__ __volatile__ ("vxorpd %ymm12, %ymm12, %ymm12 \n\t"
                          "vxorpd %ymm13, %ymm13, %ymm13 \n\t"
                          "vxorpd %ymm14, %ymm14, %ymm14"
                          :
                          :
                          :
                          "xmm12", "xmm13", "xmm14");

    sm=s+vol;
}
```

Software Quality approach

Unit and Functional testing

QC.Uni01: **Yes**

We do test the possible flows in the code by adjusting the input parameters to different situations (boundary conditions, number of quarks, number of interacting gauge fields).

- Coverage is close to 90% in general and close to 100% for physically relevant cases.
 - Example 1: our code reproduces QCD results when we switch off QED fields (photon)
 - Example 2: the code reproduces compact QED when we switch off in the input QCD fields (gluon)

QC.Uni02 **Yes**

QC.Uni03 **Yes**

QC.Uni04 **Nope (could be done yes, but things pile up)**

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✓ 4.5. Unit Testing [QC.Uni]

Unit testing evaluates all the possible flows in the internal design of the code, so that its behavior becomes apparent. It is a key type of testing for early detection of failures in the development cycle.

- [QC.Uni01] Minimum acceptable code coverage threshold **SHOULD** be 70%.
 - [QC.Uni01.1] Unit testing coverage **SHOULD** be higher for those sections of the code identified as critical by the developers, such as units part of a security module.
 - [QC.Uni01.2] Unit testing coverage **MAY** be lower for external libraries or pieces of code not maintained within the product's code base.
- [QC.Uni02] Units **SHOULD** reside in the repository code but separated from the main code.
- [QC.Uni03] Unit testing coverage **MUST** be checked on change basis.
- [QC.Uni04] Unit testing coverage **MUST** be automated.
 - [QC.Uni04.1] When working on automated testing, the use of testing doubles is **RECOMMENDED** to mimic a simplistic behavior of objects and procedures (c.f. section 4.6.).

Software Quality approach

Documentation

QC.Doc01: **Yes**

QC.Doc02: **We wrote in Latex. Should be translatable:**

```
pandoc -s example4.tex -o example5.md
```

QC.Doc03: **Yes**

QC.Doc04: **Yes**

QC.Doc05: **Yes**

QC.Doc06: **We only have one target audience: our peers**

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✓ 4.8. Documentation [QC.Doc]

- [QC.Doc01] Documentation **MUST** be treated as code.
 - [QC.Doc01.1] Version controlled, it **MAY** reside in the same repository where the source code lies.
- [QC.Doc02] Documentation **MUST** use plain text format using a markup language, such as Markdown or reStructuredText.
 - [QC.Doc02.1] It is **RECOMMENDED** that all software components delivered by the same project agree on a common markup language.
- [QC.Doc03] Documentation **MUST** be online and available in a documentation repository.
 - [QC.Doc03.1] Documentation **SHOULD** be rendered automatically.
- [QC.Doc04] Documentation **MUST** be updated on new software versions involving any substantial or minimal change in the behavior of the application.
- [QC.Doc05] Documentation **MUST** be updated whenever reported as inaccurate or unclear.
- [QC.Doc06] Documentation **MUST** be produced according to the target audience, varying according to the software component specification. The identified types of documentation and their **RECOMMENDED** content are:

Lattice QCD+QED computing project workflow

In a Lattice QCD project there are typically 3 phases regarding computing requirements

- **Development** (code development, including code testing)
- **Production runs at small scale**
 - Small lattices sizes, or parameter space areas where a maximum of 256 - 512 cores were needed
 - Used for complex consistency tests: eg. we checked at CESGA that the limiting cases of QCD and QED are correctly reproduced using 512 cores
- **Production runs at large scale**
 - What “large scale” means, and if it is needed obviously depends on the problem
 - Current LQCD challenges require several projects of ~50 Million CPU hours in large HPC systems, possibly in several iterations.
 - Very complex cases such as (g-2) we go to several 100s of millions
 - Only collaborations with very good access to HPC resources can afford working on those problems.

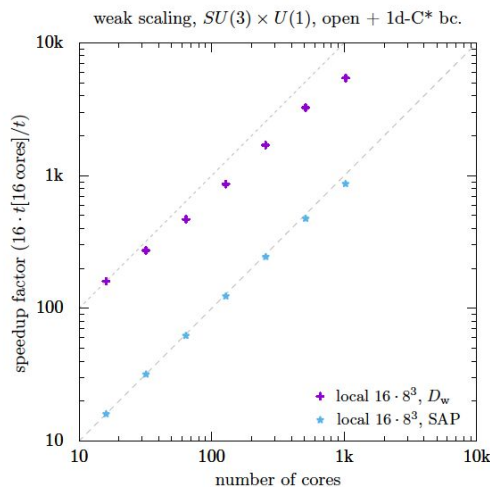
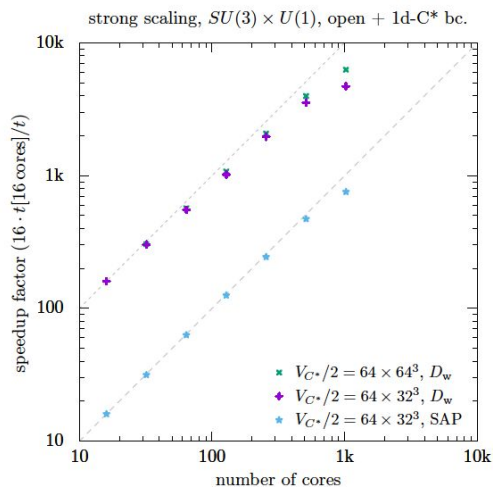
Workstation, Laptop

Local Linux farm

National / International
usually peer reviewed
applications

Scaling tests: where can we run?

We need to do “scaling tests” to prove that the code scales properly in order to apply to large production runs in peer reviewed applications



Thanks to CESGA we
could do the scaling
tests in FT-2



“OpenQ*D code: a versatile tool for QCD+QED simulations”

Eur. Phys. J. C (2020) 80:195 (<https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.11673>)

I. Campos, P. Fritsch, M. Hansen, M. Marinkovic, A. Patella, A. Ramos and N. Tantalo

Things are slowly changing...

It is now possible to apply for Benchmark time in EuroHPC

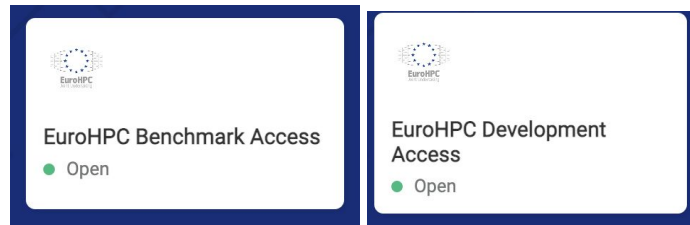
- Call designed exclusively to support code scalability tests,
- The outcome is can be used to be included in the future application to EuroHPC regular Access call or other HPC facilities
- Users receive a limited number of node hours; the maximum allocation period is three (3) months.
- At the moment **1 M CPU hours** (they go by quickly)

It is also possible to apply for Development time in EuroHPC

- Allocates maximum **2M CPU hours/year**
- Dedicated exclusively to **code and algorithm development** and optimisation.
- **Renewable up to 2x** (in total a maximum of 3 years)



EuroHPC
Joint Undertaking



→ Applications are sent directly to the HPC center where you request the resources, and evaluated there.

→ Easy application (short web form 1-2 pages)

→ Immediate answer from the HPC center (evaluated 1st day of the next month)

<https://pracecalls.eu>

Applying for large scale production

What means large scale production for our project ?

- Starting with times above 10M CPU hours/year are considered medium-large scale

We obtained CPU competitively (peer review) in:

- Jan. 2020 **HLRN** → 14 Million hours
- Mar. 2020 **PNSC** → 10 Million hours
- Jun. 2021 **HLRN** → 35 Million hours
- Sep. 2022 **HLRN** → **47M hours current grant starting**
- Sep. 2022 **CSCS** → **11M x2 years current grant starting**

Benchmark time in EuroHPC

- So far we have been able to run the code up to 4096 cores
- Progress in generating configurations is not so fast
- We recently obtained **Benchmark CPU in LUMI** to analyze the scalability up to 16,000 cores
- If using 2x the number of cores progress will be of course faster

The estimation is that we will need **order ~100 Million hours more to be able to set the physical scale** of our simulation (eg. by computing the mass of the Omega meson)

Time scale

Several PhD. thesis

PostDoctoral career development

Not so many publications (but good ones)

"Lab Reports" (Lattice 2021,
Lattice 2022)

High Energy Physics – Lattice
[Submitted on 24 Jan 2022]
Implementing noise reduction techniques for baryon masses from full QCD+QED
Lucius Bushnaq, Isabel Campos, Marco Catillo, Alessandro Cotellucci, Madele
We present the results of testing a new technique for simulation, with periodic boundary conditions and pion mass reduction, owing to the failure of its under

High Energy Physics – Lattice
[Submitted on 23 Dec 2021]
Baryon masses from full QCD+QED
Lucius Bushnaq, Isabel Campos, Marco Catillo, Alessandro Cotellucci, Madele
In these proceedings we present preliminary results for the masses of baryons in full QCD+QED. These results are part of the ongoing effort to compute the baryon masses in the physical volume L with electromagnetic coupling is $\alpha_{em} \approx 0.04$, the physical volume is L , unphysical ensemble that baryon masses can be calculated with a significant speedup compared to traditional methods. The second one is QCD+QED ensembles with pions at $m_{\pi} \approx 400$ MeV, a lattice spacing of $a \approx 0.05$ fm, a

High Energy Physics – Lattice
[Submitted on 26 Aug 2021]
An update on QCD+QED simulations with C* boundary conditions
Lucius Bushnaq, Isabel Campos, Marco Catillo, Alessandro Cotellucci, Madele
We present two novelties in our analysis of fully dynamical QCD+QED ensembles with C* that provides a significant speedup compared to traditional methods. The second one is QCD+QED ensembles with pions at $m_{\pi} \approx 400$ MeV, a lattice spacing of $a \approx 0.05$ fm, a

Development, testing, first complete release (Apr. 2019)

Code in production at large scale

2016

2017

2018

2019

2020

2021

2022

"Lab Report" (Lattice 2017)

Published in EPJC

just Submitted to JHEP

Open Access

Issue	EPJ Web Conf. Volume 175, 2018 35 th International Symposium on Lattice Field Theory (Lattice 2017)
Article Number	09005
Number of page(s)	16
Section	9 Software Development
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Published online	26 March 2018

EPJ Web of Conferences 175, 09005 (2018)
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openQ*D simulation code for QCD+QED

Special Article – Tools for Experiment and Theory | Open Access | Published: 03 Mar 2020

openQ*D code: a versatile tool for QCD+QED simulations

ROXON collaboration

Isabel Campos, Patrick Fritzsche, Martin Hansen, Marina Krstic Marinkovic, Agostino Ramos & Nazario Tantaló

The European Physical Journal C **80**, Article number: 195 (2020) | Cite this article

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High Energy Physics – Lattice
[Submitted on 27 Sep 2022]
First results on QCD+QED with C* boundary conditions
Lucius Bushnaq, Isabel Campos, Marco Catillo, Alessandro Cotellucci, Madele
Accounting for isospin-breaking corrections is critical for achieving subpercent precision in lattice QCD calculations. It is to impose C* boundary conditions in space. Here, in this setup, which preserves locality, gauge and translational invariance all the renormalized fine-structure constant at the U-symmetric point, corresponding tuning strategy and, to the extent possible, a cost analysis of the simulations

Comments: 38 pages, 8 figures
Subjects: High Energy Physics – Lattice (hep-lat)
Report number: HU-EP-22/29-RTG
Cite as: [arXiv:2209.13183 \[hep-lat\]](https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2209.13183)
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<https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2209.13183>

<https://doi.org/10.1051/epjconf/201817509005>

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1140/epjc/s10052-020-7617-3>

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2209.13183>

What have we achieved so far in our research program? after ~80 Million CPU hours (which is not that much)

Our approach works : by no means obvious as it is completely new theoretical approach to implement QCD+QED on the Lattice

- The signal could have been killed by statistical noise (even if the theoretical implementation is correct)
- Algorithms could have been unstable or not converge at all (eg. the new field (photon) could have induced instabilities).

The generated configurations will be used to explore a variety of physics observables.

- Primarily **meson** and **baryon correlators** and **masses**, **leptonic decay rates**
- In a more distant future **semileptonic decay rates** of mesons, the hadronic contributions to the **anomalous magnetic moment of the muon ($g-2$)**

<https://arxiv.org/abs/2209.13183>

First results on QCD+QED with C^* boundary conditions

RC~~XX~~OH collaboration

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Abstract

Accounting for isospin-breaking corrections is critical for achieving subpercent precision in lattice computations of hadronic observables. A way to include QED and strong-isospin-breaking corrections in lattice QCD calculations is to impose C^* boundary conditions in space. Here, we demonstrate the computation of a selection of meson and baryon masses on two QCD and five QCD+QED gauge ensembles in this setup, which preserves locality, gauge and translational invariance all through the calculation. The generation of the gauge ensembles is performed for two volumes, and three different values of the renormalized fine-structure constant at the U-symmetric point, corresponding to the SU(3)-symmetric QCD in the two ensembles where the electromagnetic coupling is turned off. We also present our tuning strategy and, to the extent possible, a cost analysis of the simulations with C^* boundary conditions.

Keywords: Lattice QCD and QED, High Performance Computing
PACS: 11.15.-q, 11.15.Ha, 12.20.-m, 12.38.Gc, 12.38.-t, 02.70.-c, 02.70.Uu

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Data preservation ?

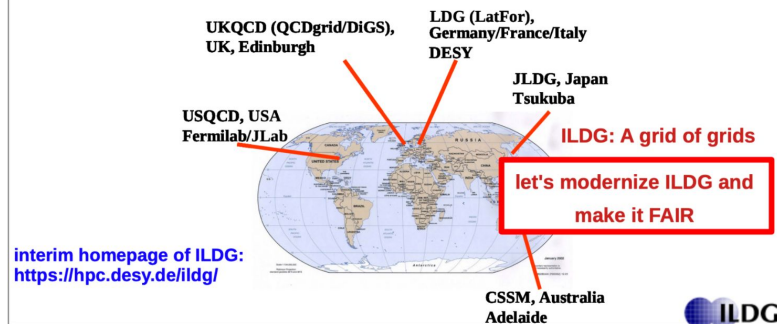
- **Global consensus about the necessity** to keep configurations available and shareable within the community (very expensive to simulate)
 - In an organized way: i.e. searchable, with metadata, etc...
 - Not just dumped in a storage area
- If people gets into that **“huge burden”** it has to be worth it
 - Keep the configurations for ~10 years (i.e. not only until Xmas)
 - Requires also funding: storage is not for free
- LQCD was the first community to come up with a standard for metadata (2002): **ILDG**
 - To tag Lattice QCD configurations

ILDG: established in 2002

a UKQCD initiative, C.T.H. Davies et al., arXiv:hep-lat/0209121
A. Ukawa, arXiv:hep-lat/0409084

main motivation

L-QCD data sets are valuable, costly to be produced,
should be made available to the community



Goal of ILDG:

- Establish an **international grid infrastructure**
- Long-term storage and **global sharing of data**

Requirements

- Standards for **metadata** and files

Metadata Standards

- Standardize **which** information is provided **how**
- Not all data has to be searchable (i.e. machine processable)

Search for scientific data

- Query **metadata catalogue (MDC)**

ILDG File Format

- All files uploaded to ILDG have to conform to file format specification
- Format based on structured files which are packaged using **LIME file format**



PLEITER: https://wiki.smf.unipr.it/dokuwiki/lib/exe/fetch.php?media=igt:pleiter-ildg_parma.pdf

See the nice compilation of Patrick Fuhrmann for Lattice QCD students in our school in Benasque:

<https://indico.ifca.es/event/2452/contributions/12495/attachments/1456/2090/2022-09-19-LatticeNET-SummerSchool-Lecture.pdf>



Final take outs



"There was a Princess Somebody of Denmark sitting at a table with a number of people around her, and I saw an empty chair at their table and sat down.

She turned to me and said, "Oh! You're one of the Nobel-Prize-winners. In what field did you do your work?"

"In physics," I said.

"Oh. Well, nobody knows anything about that, so I guess we can't talk about it."

"On the contrary," I answered. "It's because somebody knows something about it that we can't talk about physics. It's the things that nobody knows anything about that we can discuss."

We can talk about the weather; we can talk about social problems; we can talk about psychology; we can talk about international finance--gold transfers we can't talk about, because those are understood--so it's the subject that nobody knows anything about that we can all talk about!"

I don't know how they do it. There's a way of forming ice on the surface of the face, and she did it!"

— Richard P. Feynman, Surely You're Joking, Mr. Feynman!: Adventures of a Curious Character

<https://sistemas.fciencias.unam.mx/~compquantica/RICHARD%20P.%20FEYNMAN-SURELY%20YOU'RE%20JOKING%20MR.%20FEYNMAN.PDF>