

HADRON PHYSICS FROM NUCLEI TO QUARKS AND GLUONS

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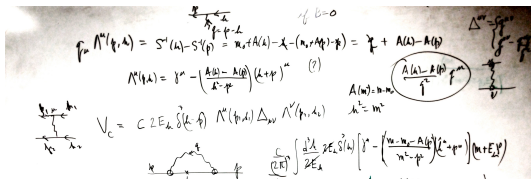
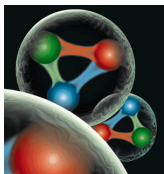
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WHAT WE DO & WANT TO KNOW

We investigate the **strong force** using quantum field theory



The 2 big questions:

- Where does **98% of the mass** of ordinary matter come from?
- Origin of **confinement**?
(*Millennium Prize Problem*: US \$1 million by Clay Mathematics Institute)

Unsolved

Yang-Mills & The Mass Gap

Experiment and computer simulations suggest the existence of a "mass gap" in the solution to the quantum versions of the Yang-Mills equations. But no proof of this property is known.

Overview **Advanced**

KEY EXPERIMENTS AND LABS

ALICE, LHCb, COMPASS (CERN), Switzerland

BaBar (Slac), USA

BELLE (KeK), Japan

BES Collab., China

CLEO (Cornell), USA

Hall-A and Hall-D (GlueX) (JLab), USA

J-PARC, Japan

NICA, Russia

PANDA (FAIR-GSI), Germany

RHIC, future EIC (Brookhaven NL), USA

 Jefferson Lab

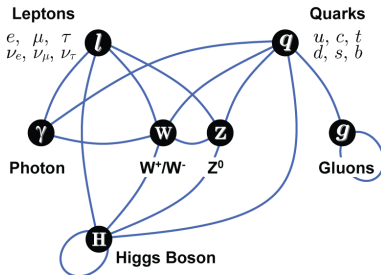


THE STANDARD MODEL

- **forces** (gauge bosons): **electromagnetic** (γ), **weak** (W^\pm, Z^0) and **strong** ($g_1 \dots g_8$)
- **matter** (fermions): **quarks** and **leptons**

	Fermions			Bosons	
Quarks	u up	c charm	t top	γ photon	Force carriers
	d down	s strange	b bottom	Z Z boson	
Leptons	ν_e electron neutrino	ν_μ muon neutrino	ν_τ tau neutrino	W W boson	
	e electron	μ muon	τ tau	g gluon	
				Higgs boson	

Source: AAAS

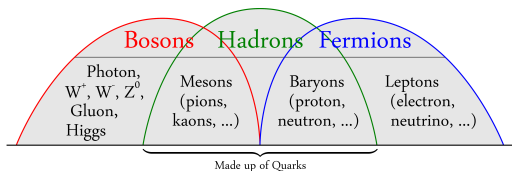


- **leptons** interact via γ, W^\pm, Z^0
 - **quarks** interact via $\gamma, W^\pm, Z^0, g_1, \dots, g_8$
- \Rightarrow only elementary particles that interact with all fundamental forces

STRONGLY-INTERACTING MATTER IN THE UNIVERSE

- quarks interacting strongly form bound states:

Hadrons

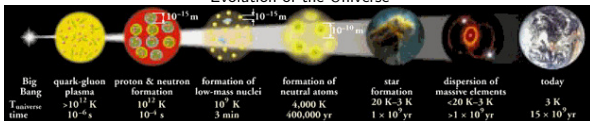


- residual interquark forces \equiv nuclear force (mesons) between neutrons & protons \rightarrow bind to form **nuclei**

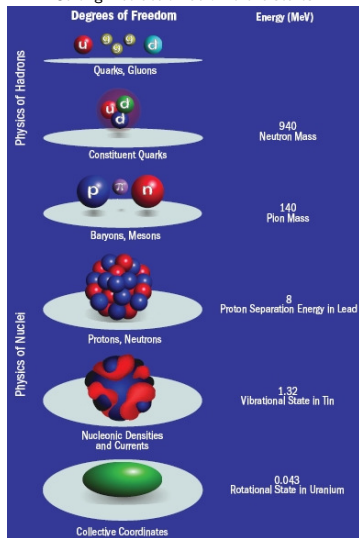
- scale of hadron physics

$\sim 1 \text{ fm} = 0.000\,000\,000\,000\,001 \text{ m} !$

Evolution of the Universe



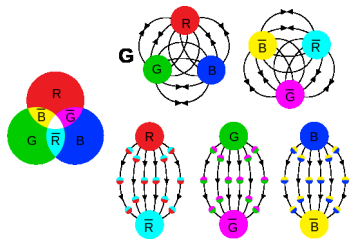
Strong interaction at different scales



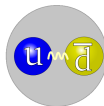
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QUARK MODEL AND QCD

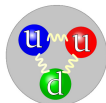
- mesons: quark-antiquark, baryons: 3 quarks
- Δ^{++} : 3-quark wave function $\psi_{3q} = \psi_{\text{space}}\psi_{\text{spin}}\psi_{\text{flavour}}$ not antisymmetric \Rightarrow need additional degree of freedom: **color** charge **Red, Green, Blue**: **R+G+B=White**
- hadrons only observed as white, colour-neutral (colour singlets)



Pion π^+

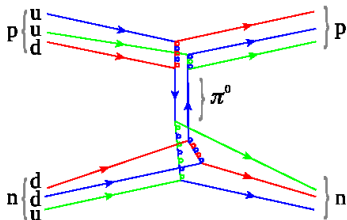


Proton p



\Rightarrow **Quantum ChromoDynamics (QCD)** as fundamental theory of strong interaction

- Nuclear force $\equiv q\bar{q}$ exchange



CLASSIFICATION (MESONS, NON-RELATIVISTICALLY)

- **total angular momentum** $\vec{J} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}$, orbital $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$, spin $\vec{S} = \vec{s}_q + \vec{s}_{\bar{q}}$
 $|L - S| \leq J \leq L + S = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad S = 0, 1$
- **parity** $\mathcal{P} = \underbrace{(-1)^L}_{\text{angular}} \underbrace{(-1)}_{\text{intrinsic}} = (-1)^{L+1}$
- **charge conjugation** $\mathcal{C} = \underbrace{(-1)^L}_{\text{angular}} \underbrace{(-1)^{S+1}}_{\text{spin}} \underbrace{(-1)}_{q \leftrightarrow \bar{q}} = (-1)^{L+S}$
- **G-parity** $\mathcal{G} = (-1)^{L+S}$

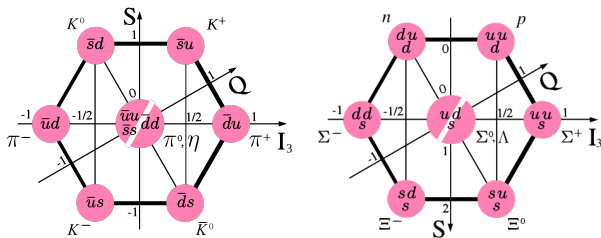
Meson		$J^{\mathcal{P}\mathcal{C}}$	L	S	$2S+1L_J$
Pseudoscalar	P	0^{-+}	0	0	1S_0
Scalar	S	0^{++}	1	1	3P_0
Vector	V	1^{--}	0, 2	1	$^3S_1, ^3D_1$
Pseudovector	A^-	1^{+-}	1	0	1P_1
Axial-Vector	A^+	1^{++}	1	1	3P_1
Tensor	T	2^{-+}	2	0	1D_2
Tensor	T	2^{--}	2	1	3D_2
Tensor	T	2^{++}	1, 3	1	$^3P_2, ^3F_2$

- example 1: Pseudoscalar, $\mathcal{P} = - \Rightarrow L = 0, 2, 4, \dots, J = 0 \Leftrightarrow S = 0, 1 \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C} = +$
- example 2: Vector, $\mathcal{P} = - \Rightarrow L = 0, 2, 4, \dots, J = 1 \Leftrightarrow S = 0, 1 \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{C} = -$

FLAVOR MULTIPLETS AND EXOTICS

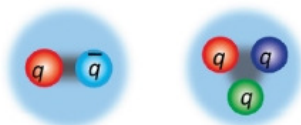
- form $q\bar{q}$ and qqq combinations from u , d , and s (anti-)quarks \Rightarrow **flavour multiplets**

e.g. pseudoscalar meson ($J = 0$) nonet and baryon ($J = \frac{1}{2}$) octet

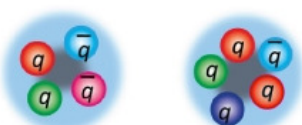


- other color-singlet combinations: **exotic** mesons and baryons
tetraquarks ($qq\bar{q}\bar{q}$) (Ξ candidates),
pentaquarks ($qqqq\bar{q}$) (**discovered** 2015 by LHCb @ CERN), etc...

Standard Hadrons

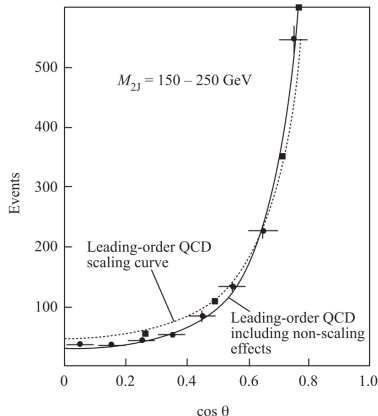
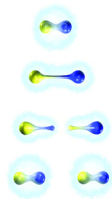
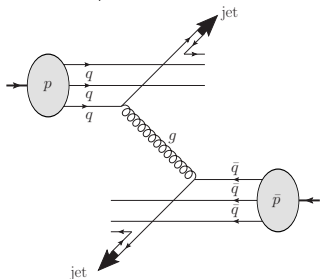


Exotic Hadrons



CONFINEMENT AND THE GLUON

- Try separate $q\bar{q}$
 BUT \exists **confinement**: a single quark not observed as free isolated particle!
 → potential energy large enough to create $q\bar{q}$
 → hadronize
- $p\bar{p}$ scattering → collimated **jets** of hadrons
 angular distribution of 2-jet-events \sim “ $\sin^{-4}\theta/2$ -formula”
 ⇒ $V \sim 1/r \equiv$ massless boson – the **gluon**!



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \underbrace{\bar{\psi} i \gamma^\mu (\partial_\mu - ig A_\mu^a t^a) \psi}_{\text{\textit{D}-term; quark-gluon}} \underbrace{- m_0 \bar{\psi} \psi}_{\text{quark mass term}} \underbrace{- \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu}}_{\text{gluon kinetic term}}$$

- spinor for color-triplet quarks

$$\psi = \begin{pmatrix} q_R \\ q_G \\ q_B \end{pmatrix}$$

- A_μ^a are 8 gluon fields ($a = 1, \dots, 8$)

- **non-Abelian** field-strength tensor

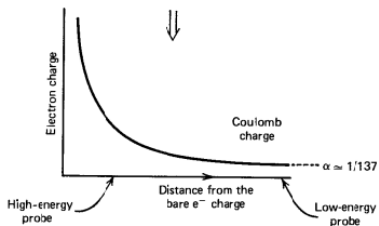
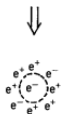
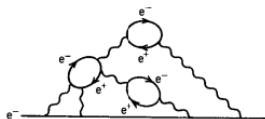
$$F_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\nu A_\mu^a - \partial_\mu A_\nu^a + gf^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$$

three- and four-gluon self interactions!



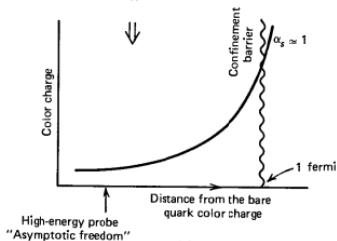
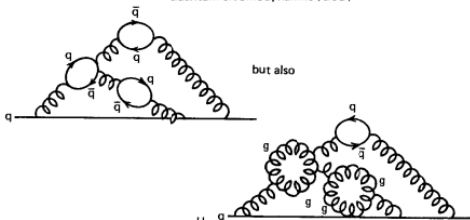
CHARGE SCREENING: QED vs. QCD

Quantum electrodynamics (QED)



(a)

Quantum chromodynamics (QCD)



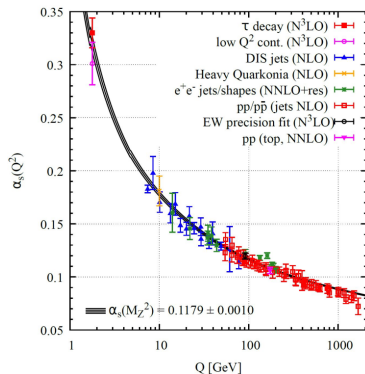
taken from HALZEN, MARTIN, Quarks and Leptons, 1984

RUNNING COUPLING

- Anti-screening in QCD \Rightarrow strong “running” coupling $\alpha_s \equiv g^2/4\pi$ becomes small at short distances (large momentum transfer)
- at high energies, quarks behave as free particles: **asymptotic freedom** \Rightarrow perturbation theory \checkmark

GROSS, WILCZEK and POLITZER PRL 30, 1973; 't HOOFT, 1972

- at short distances: quarks exchange massless gluons \Rightarrow **Coulomb**-type $1/r$ -term present in static QCD potential for heavy quarks



- at large distance coupling becomes strong: cannot isolate quark \Leftrightarrow **Confinement!**

LINEAR CONFINEMENT

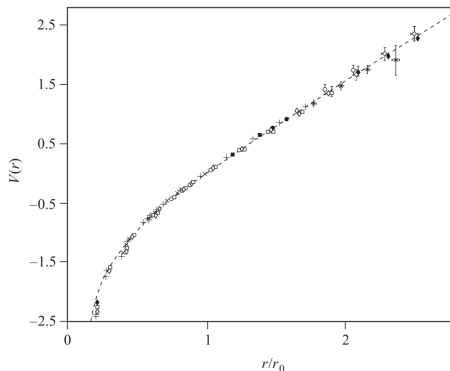
- confinement cannot be obtained from finite number of gluon exchanges \Rightarrow **non-perturbative** treatment necessary: e.g. lattice QCD, continuum models
- (non-relativistic) 'Cornell' $q\bar{q}$ potential

EICHTEN *et al* PRD 17, 1978,0 and 21, 1980; RICHARDSON PLB 82, 1979

$$V(r) = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} + \sigma r + C$$

color factor $\frac{4}{3} \hookrightarrow$ *Hands-on Hadrons I*

- \checkmark **good** quantum mechanical description of $c\bar{c}$ and $b\bar{b}$
 \hookrightarrow *Hands-on Hadrons II*
- $\sigma = 0.85$ GeV/fm: \simeq constant force of **14 tonnes!**
- light mesons require **relativistic** treatment
e.g. "relativized" quark models:
GODFREY, ISGUR PRD 32, 1985
 \checkmark **good** description of meson spectrum
 \times **not** Poincaré covariant
 \times **not** based on quantum field theory



ALLTON *et al*, UKQCD Collab., PRD 65, 2002

QUARK AND PION MASSES

- confinement: single quark not observed as free isolated particle
⇒ how to define their mass?
- nucleon mass $m_N = 939 \text{ MeV}$
⇒ effective (constituent) quark mass $m_{u,d} \approx 300 \text{ MeV}$
- questions
 - 1 observe: pion π^\pm (139 MeV) much lighter than the proton (938 MeV);
Why is the pion so light?
 - 2 (current) quark masses of Standard Model and \mathcal{L}_{QCD}
 $m_u \approx 2 \text{ MeV}$, $m_d \approx 5 \text{ MeV}$
Particle Data Group 2023
current quarks $\overset{\text{connection?}}{\longleftrightarrow}$ constituent quarks?
98% of $m_N \Leftrightarrow$ most of the mass of ordinary matter in Universe!
What mass-generating mechanism can explain this?

CHIRAL-SYMMETRY BREAKING

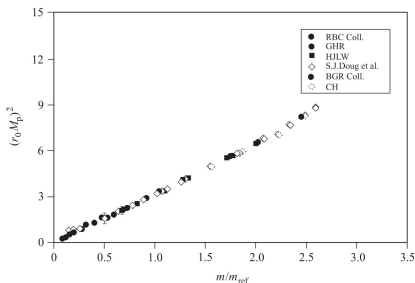
- If $m_u = m_d = 0$: \mathcal{L}_{QCD} satisfies chiral symmetry
⇒ there should be parity doublets in baryon spectrum
BUT: no parity doublets observed!
⇔ chiral symmetry must be **broken!**
- **spontaneous chiral-symmetry breaking:**
 - bulk of constituent quark masses **generated** by the strong interaction
 - appearance of 3 **massless Goldstone bosons** \simeq 3 **pions** π^+ , π^- , π^0

- m_u and m_d small
⇒ physical pions anomalously light

- $m_\pi^2 \propto (m_u + m_d)$

GASSER, LEUTWYLER, Phys.Rep. 87,

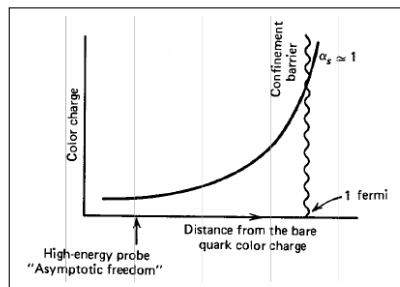
1982



GIUSTI, LATTICE 2002, hep-lat/0211009

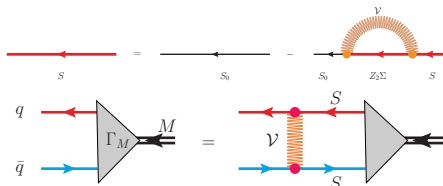
DESCRIPTION OF HADRONS

- strong coupling 'constant' α_s large at large distances
⇒ perturbation theory **fails** ×
scale $\sim 1 \text{ fm}$ \sim size of hadron
- QCD bound-state problem **not yet** solved ×

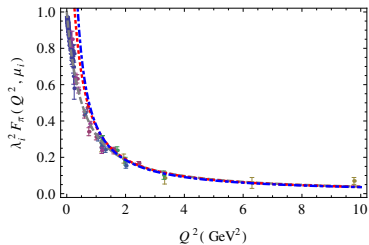
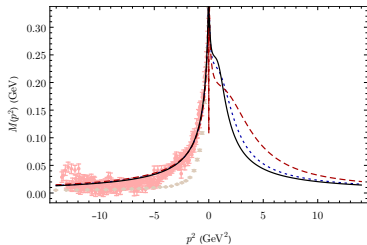
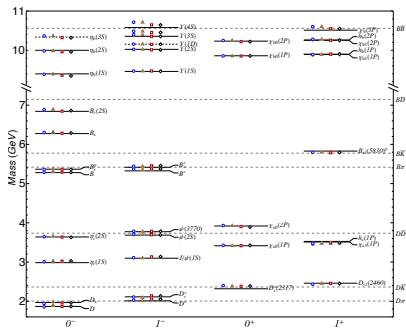
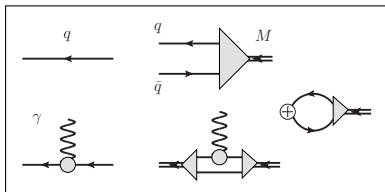


⇒ need effective non-perturbative tools based on QFT:

- **Covariant Spectator Theory** based on Gross equation
F. GROSS PR 186, 1969
- **Dyson-Schwinger** and **Bethe-Salpeter** equations



CURRENT RESEARCH



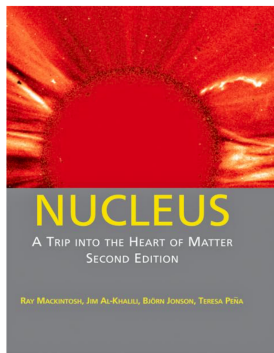
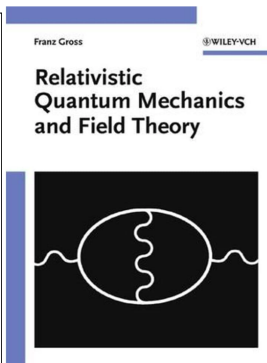
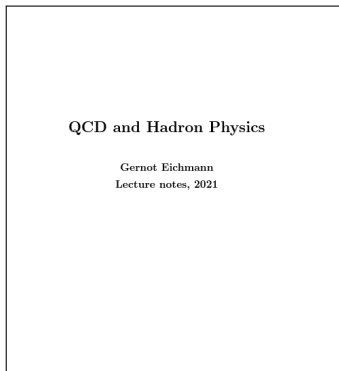
⇒ Learn about nature of **strong force** and **confinement!**

FURTHER INFORMATION

MEFT courses at Instituto Superior Técnico:

- **QCD and Hadron Physics** (2nd period)
E.B., L. Apolinário (LIP)
- **Nuclear Physics** (1st period)
E.B., T. Peña, A. Stadler, R. Silva (CTN), N. Catarino (CTN)

Literature for further reading:



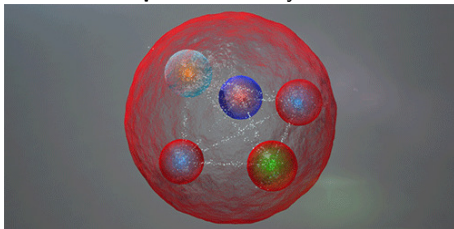


Review

50 Years of quantum chromodynamics

Introduction and Review

Pentaquark discovery in 2016!



THANK YOU!