

# GGI LECTURES ON THE THEORY OF FUNDAMENTAL INTERACTIONS

7-24 JANUARY 2020

## GONG-SHOW

**BADEL Gil**

- ▶ Age 25
- ▶ Swiss
- ▶ Speak French, English, German
- ▶ Studied at EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland
- ▶ Now 2nd year PhD student in the Laboratory of Theoretical Particle Physics, EPFL
- ▶ Supervisor : Riccardo Rattazzi

# Our projects [1909.01269, 1911.08505]

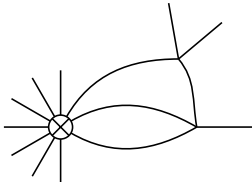
Computing anomalous dimension of  $\phi^n$  operator in  $\lambda(\phi\bar{\phi})^2$  theory, at the WF fixed point, in  $4 - \epsilon$  dimension.

2 techniques :

- ▶ standard QFT perturbation theory to 2-loops
  - ▶ perturbative expansion breaks down if  $\lambda n \gg 1$ .
- ▶ semiclassical expansion, large charge operators in CFT.
  - ▶ works for any value of  $\lambda n$
  - ▶ in small  $\lambda n$  limit, retrieve leading- $n$  contribution of all loop PT.

$$\gamma_{\phi^n} = n \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{\ell} P_{\ell}(n) = n \sum_{\kappa=0}^{\infty} \lambda^{\kappa} F_{\kappa}(\lambda n)$$

## Example Diagram


$$\sim \lambda^2 n(n-1)(n-2) \sim \lambda^2 n^3$$

**BANIK Amitayus**

# Amitayus Banik

Currently: Bethe Center for Theoretical Physics, University of Bonn

Future: University of Würzburg



# About Me

Born and brought up in New Delhi, India. Undergrad from **Hindu College, University of Delhi**.

## Research

- **M.Sc. (Uni Bonn):** Dark matter production in Moduli Cosmology. Looked at production of supersymmetric dark matter from decays of moduli for Master's thesis, *Production of SUSY Dark Matter from Higher Order Moduli Decay*.
- **Ph.D. (Uni Würzburg):** Field-theoretic and numerical studies of the electroweak phase transition in Beyond Standard Model scenarios.

## Hobbies

Violin, reading and cooking.

**BARNI Giulio**



Hi, my name is Giulio Barni!

Master student in Florence

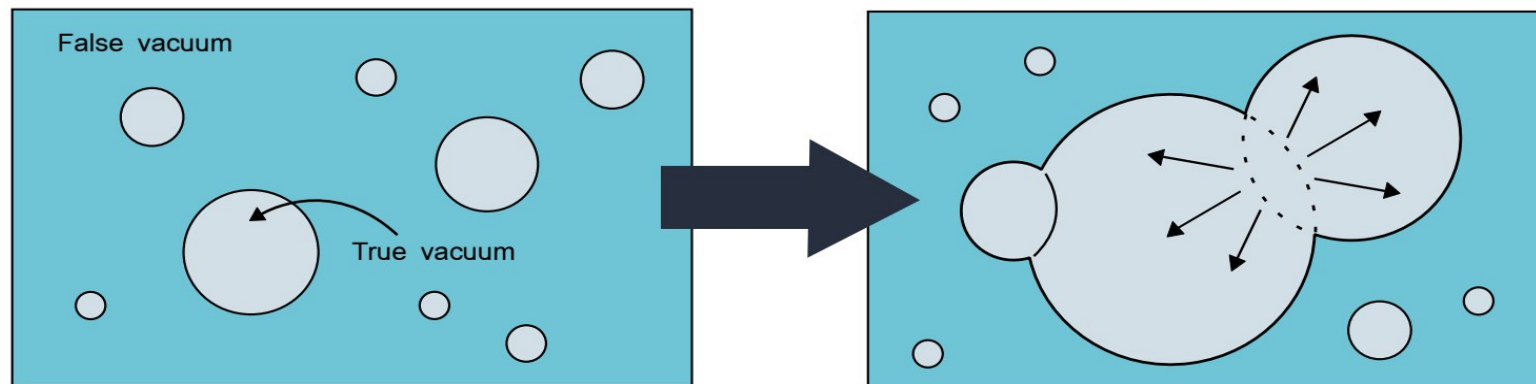


# What I'm interested in?

Master thesis in

“Cosmological 1<sup>st</sup> order phase transitions:

Axions and new physics at the high scale”



**BENINCASA      Nico**

# The phase transitions in the early Universe and their effects on dark matter

Nico Benincasa

NICPB, Laboratory of High Energy and Computational Physics, Tallinn

Institute of Physics, University of Tartu

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## Dark matter :

- solution for some problems in astrophysics (galaxy rotation curves, galaxy-cluster collision,...)
- from Planck data, it accounts for 26.8% of the energy content of the Universe...
- ... but one is still ignorant about its nature
- Higgs boson discovery (2012) as an elementary scalar particle  
→ why not dark matter as well ?

## $\mathbb{Z}_N$ scalar dark matter model :

- For  $N \geq 3$  : semi-annihilation feature  $\Rightarrow$  reduced direct detection signal
- models of scalar dark matter (e.g. SSDM or 2HDM) can produce richer patterns of phase transition
- signals from phase transitions could be probed by space-based gravitational-wave detectors such as LISA or BBO

$\mathbb{Z}_3$  model  $\Rightarrow$  semi-annihilation :

- structure of minima
- temperature dependence
- first- and second-order phase transitions
- gravitational waves via first-order phase transitions

$\mathbb{Z}_3$  model :

- pseudo-Goldstone dark matter due to soft symmetry breaking
  - $\rightarrow$  direct detection cross section strongly suppressed
  - $\rightarrow$  stochastic gravitational wave background generated by first-order phase transitions

Classically scale invariant version of the  $\mathbb{Z}_3$  model :

- solve the hierarchy problem
- yields gravitational-wave signal

**BRANCHINA      Carlo**

# The Swampland and the Weak Gravity Conjecture

Carlo Branchina

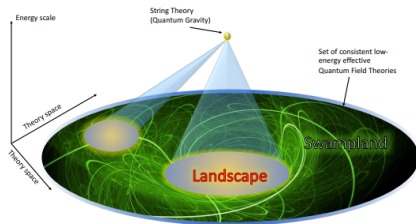
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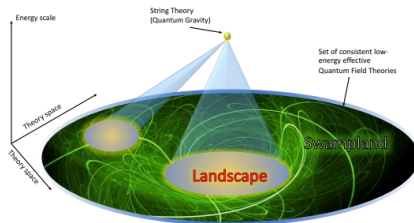
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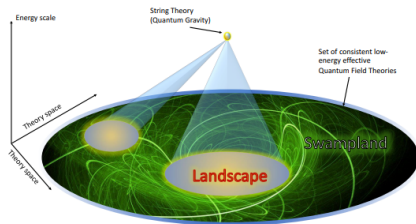
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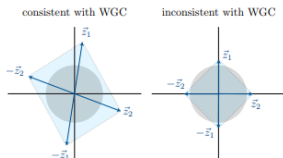
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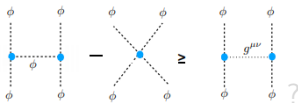


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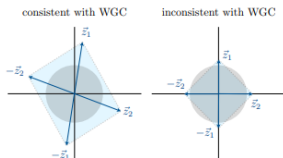
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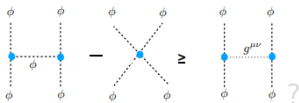
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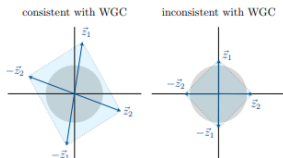
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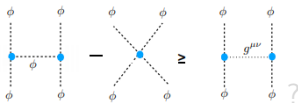
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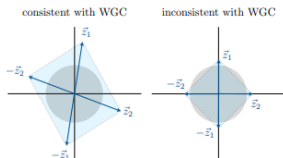
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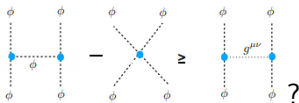
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**CALETTI    Simone**

Simone Caletti

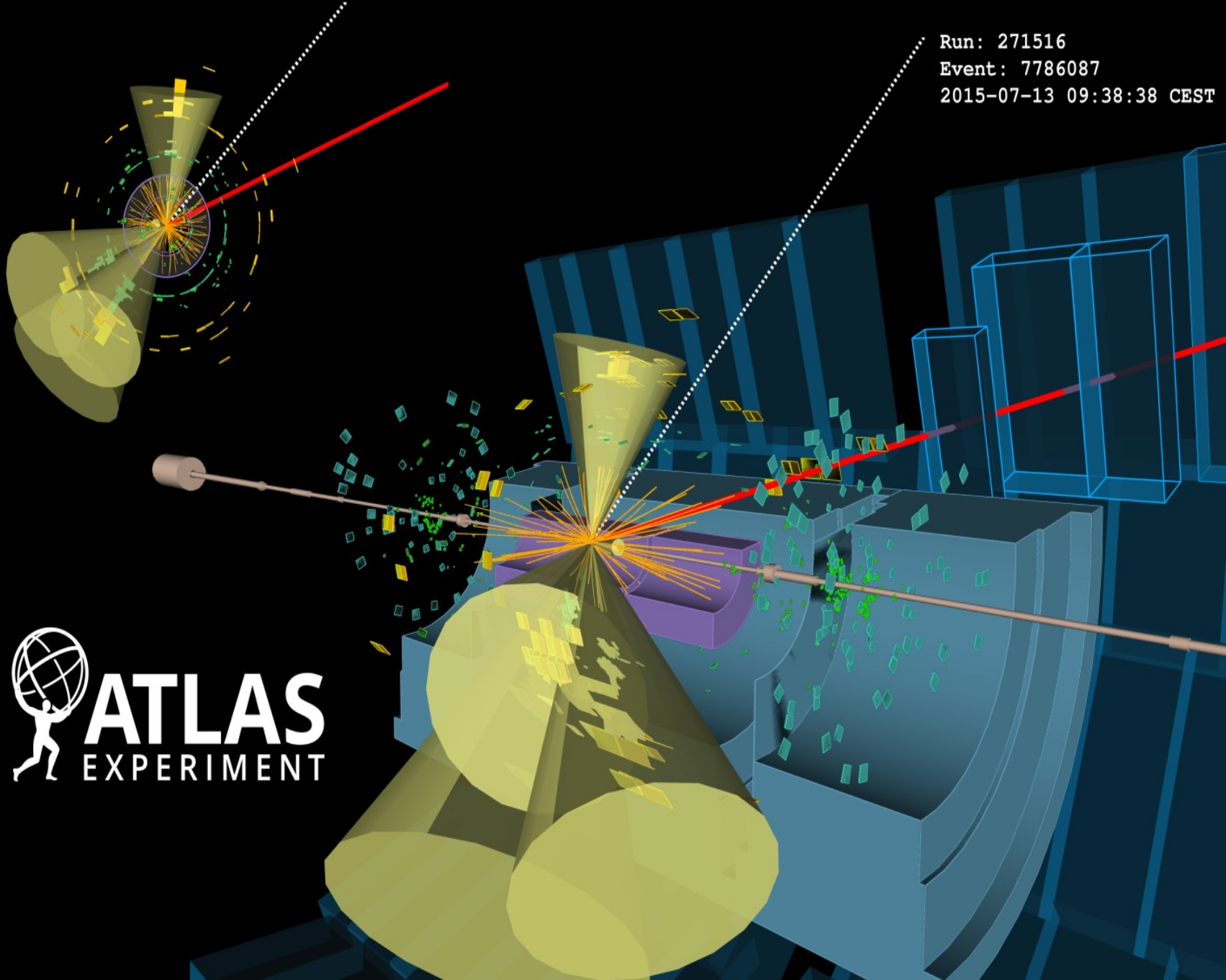
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Supervisor: Simone Marzani



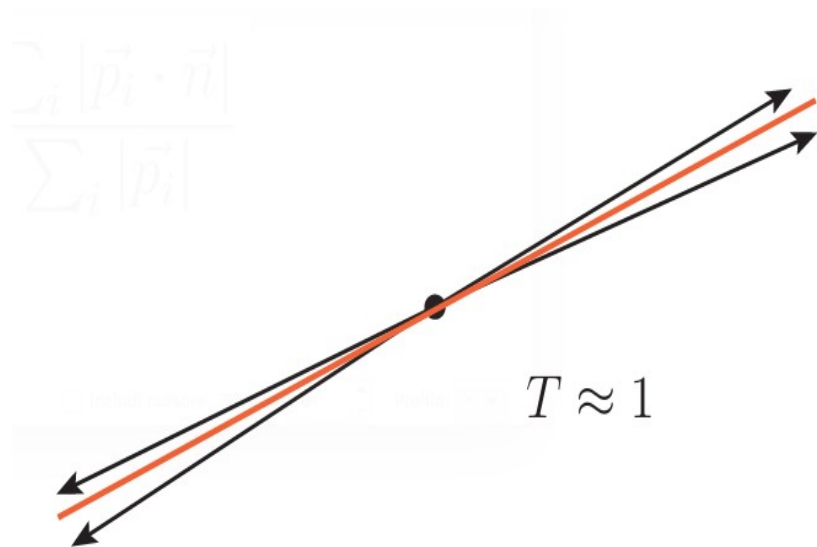
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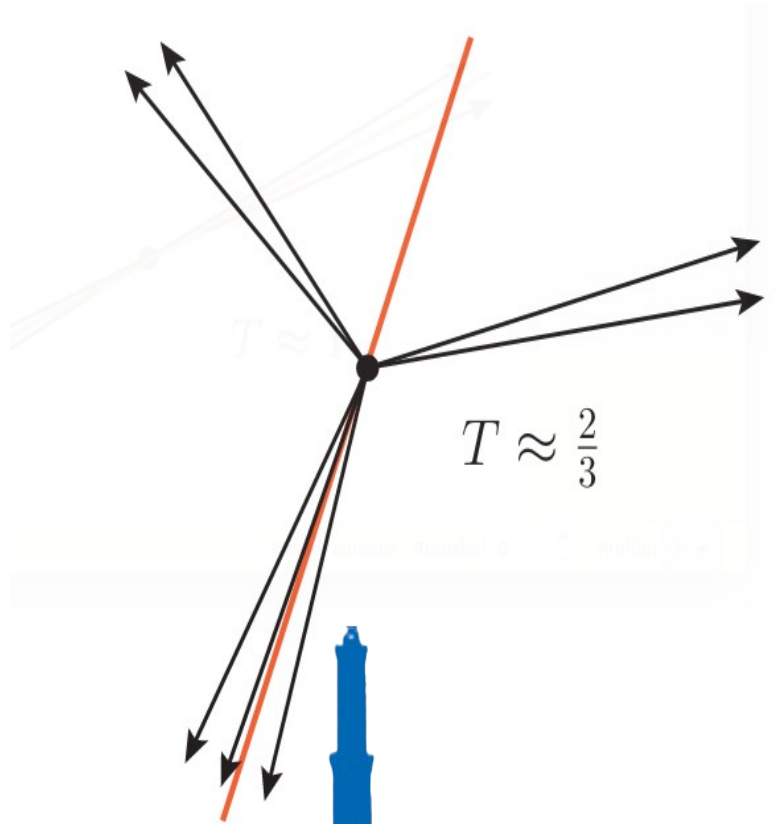
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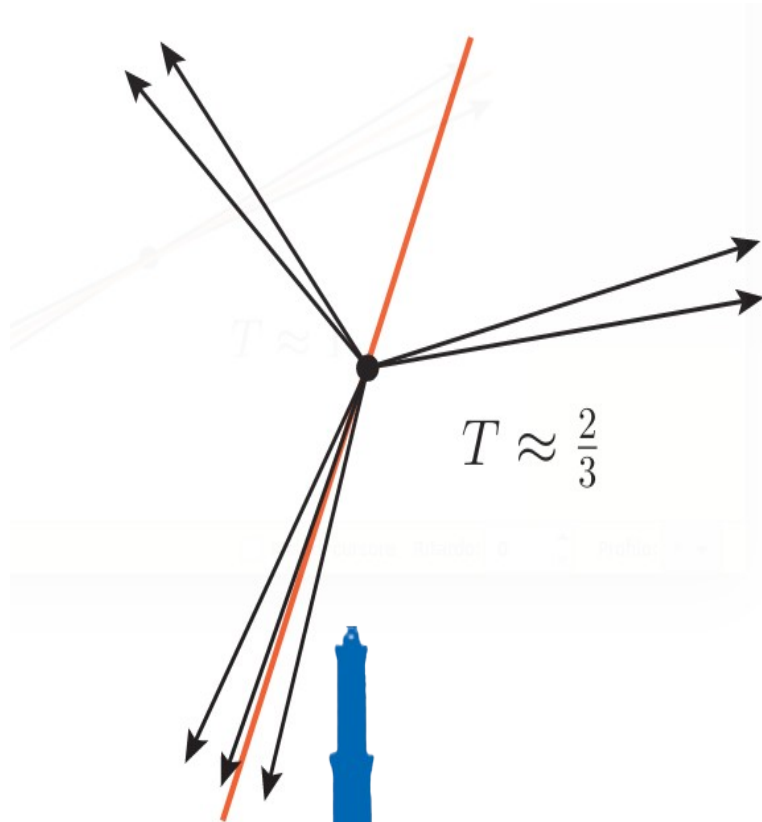
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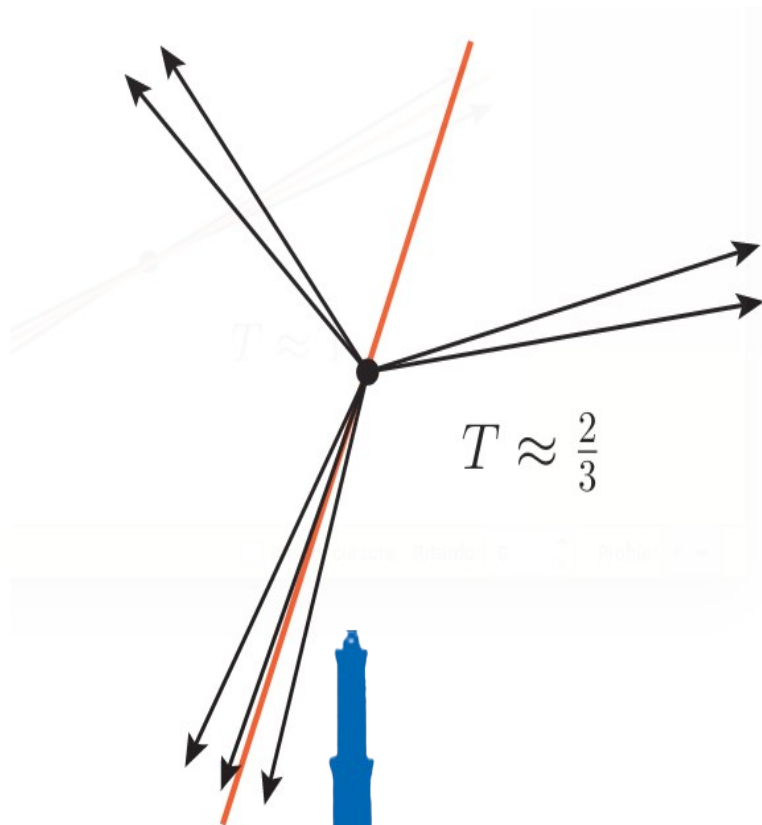
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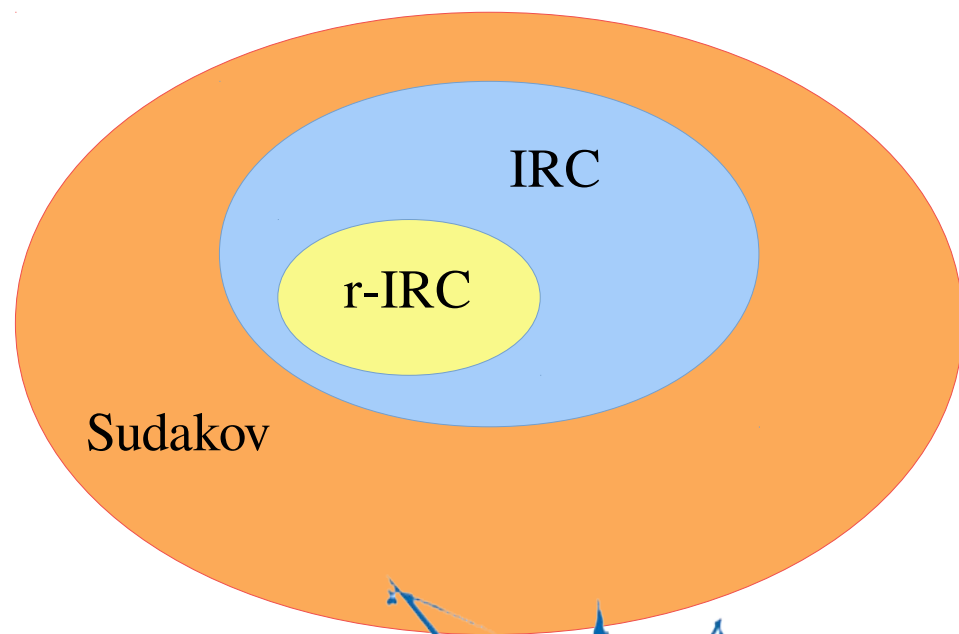
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**CANDIDO   Alessandro  
& STEGEMAN   Roy**

# Machine Learning and QCD

for Proton structure determination

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Alessandro Candido - Roy Stegeman

Supervisors: Stefano Forte, Stefano Carrazza

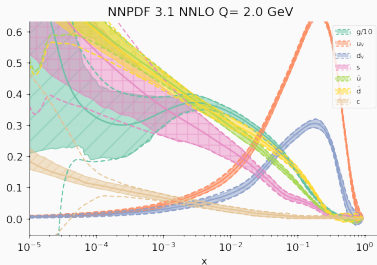
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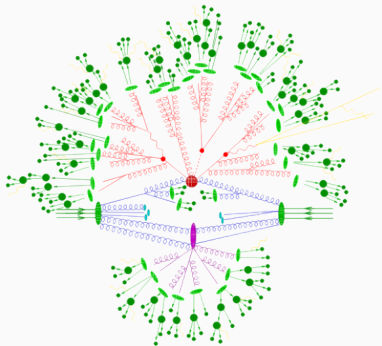
Parton Distribution Functions (PDF) describe the internal structure of the proton, as it is made by its constituents.

- PDFs are determined from the experimental data (*fit*)
- they are used to make theoretical predictions for collider observables (*factorization*)
- the goal is to improve the accuracy of PDFs and their features (e.g.: *NLO positivity*)



Determination of the PDF functions using machine learning techniques.

- We need to invert this complicated system
- Using neural networks to remove theoretical bias
- How do we know the result is correct?
- What is the best optimisation method?



**CHEN   Miranda**

Miranda Chen

University of California, Davis

Past: Unitarity violation from deviations of Higgs couplings from SM value

- Suggests lower bound for scale of new physics
  - Looking at  $VVh$ ,  $VVhh$ ,  $tth$ ,  $tthh$
- Compare deviations that are similarly constrained

Current: EW splitting functions; dark matter EP violation

**CHEONG   Dhong Yeon**

# Dhong Yeon Cheong

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정동연

- Institution : Yonsei University, S. Korea
- Supervisor : Seong Chan Park



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YONSEI UNIVERSITY



## Research Interests

- Inflationary Cosmology
- Primordial Black Holes
- Early Universe Phenomenology

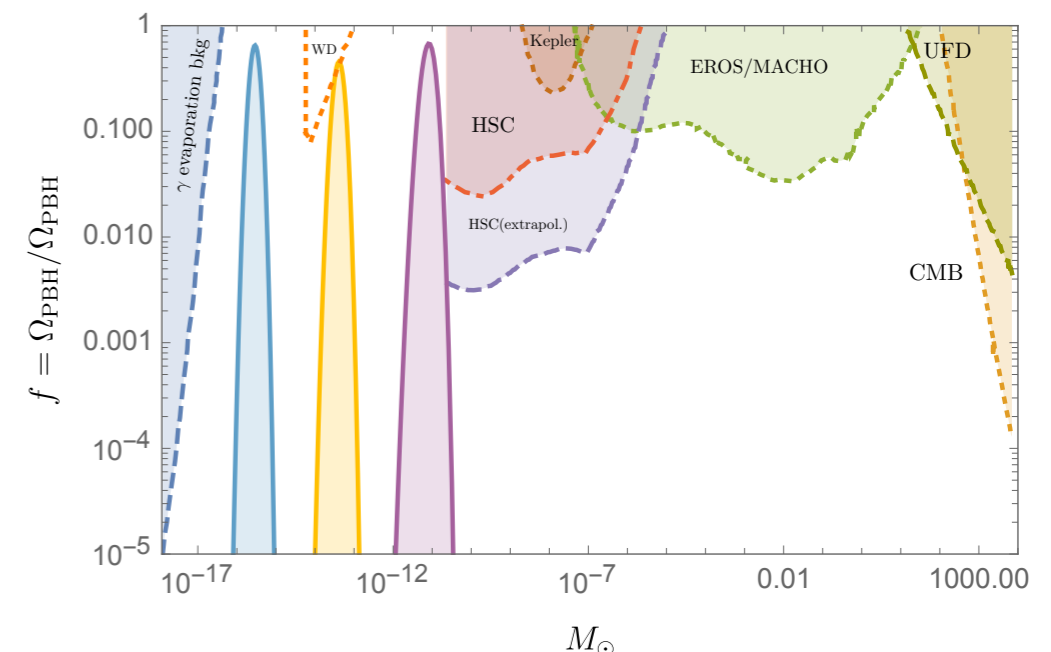
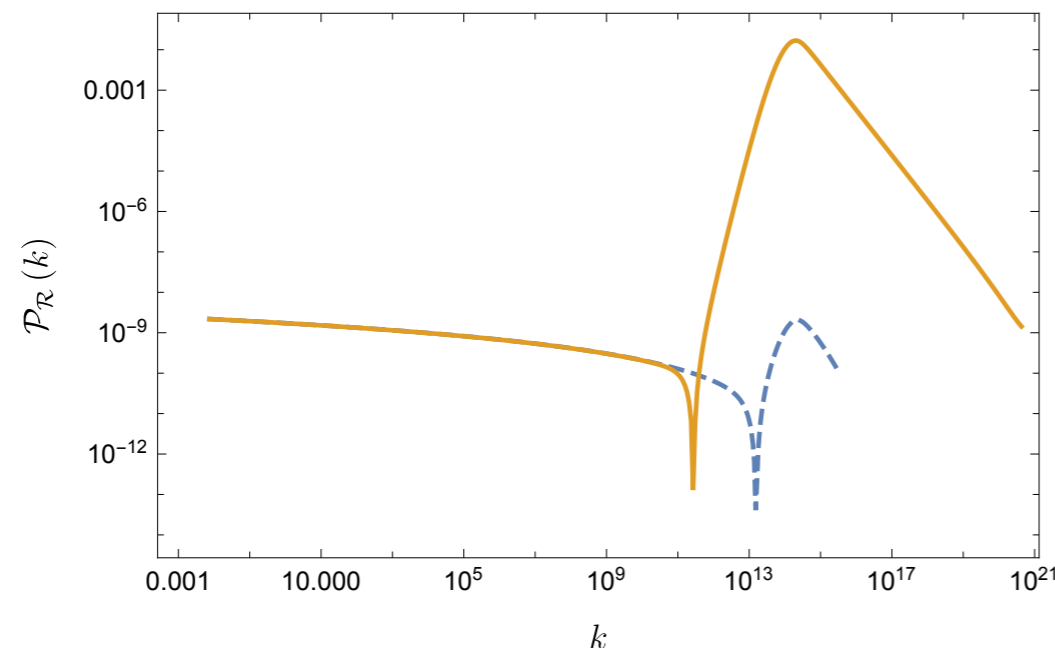
*Good probe for small scales, NG, and new physics*

### Primordial Black Holes in Higgs- $R^2$ Inflation as a whole dark matter

Dhong Yeon Cheong, Sung Mook Lee, Seong Chan Park. Dec 27, 2019. 6 pp.

YHEP-COS19-005

e-Print: [arXiv:1912.12032](https://arxiv.org/abs/1912.12032) [hep-ph] | [PDF](#)



**COSTA Marco**



# Marco Costa

PhD Student, Scuola Normale Superiore (SNS), 1st year

PhD Thesis Supervisor: Prof. Roberto Contino

Master Thesis Supervisor: Prof. Dario Buttazzo

# Research interests

BSM Physics  
Strongly interacting theories

## Master

- Composite Higgs models
- Leptoquarks

## PhD

- Dark Matter models
- Chiral gauge theories?

**DI CARLO Matteo**



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Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare

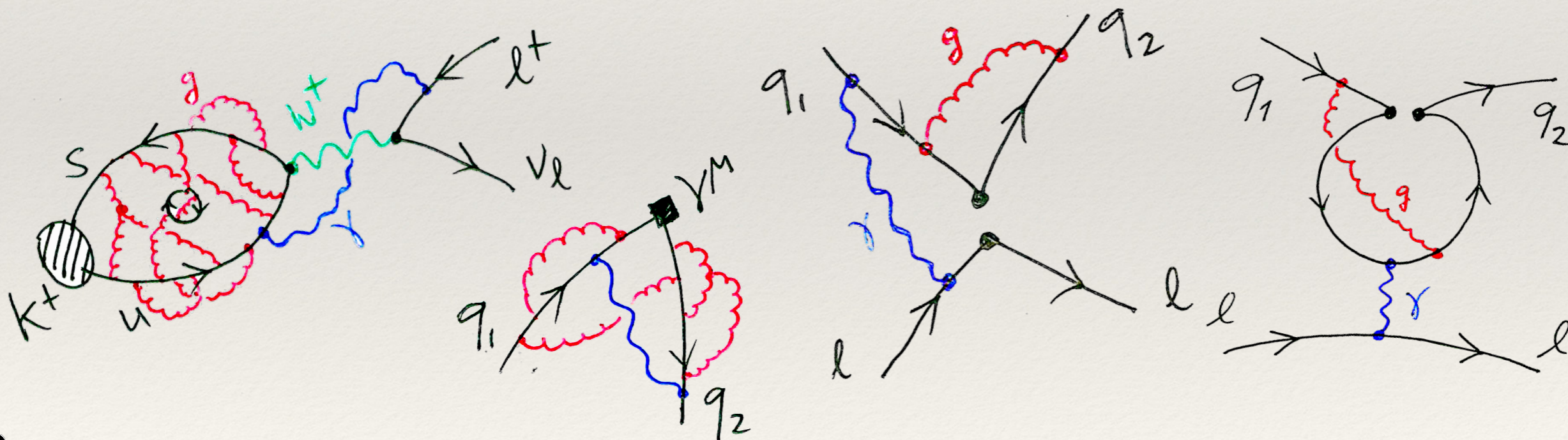
# High Precision Flavour Physics

*Student:*

*Matteo Di Carlo*

*Supervisor:*

*Prof. Guido Martinelli*



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8 January 2020 — Galileo Galilei Institute for Theoretical Physics — Firenze

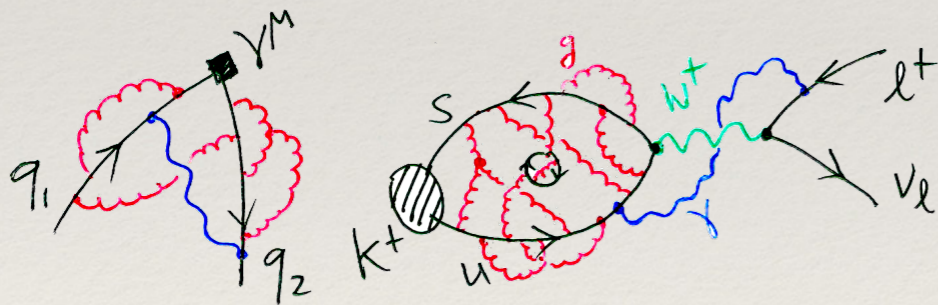
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# Brief summary of the project

- ❖ **Why?** Test the **Standard Model** and seek **New Physics** effects
- ❖ **How?** Improving the **precision** of theoretical predictions
- ❖ **What?** Include **QED corrections** in (Lattice) QCD calculations

## ① Non-perturbative renormalization in QCD+QED

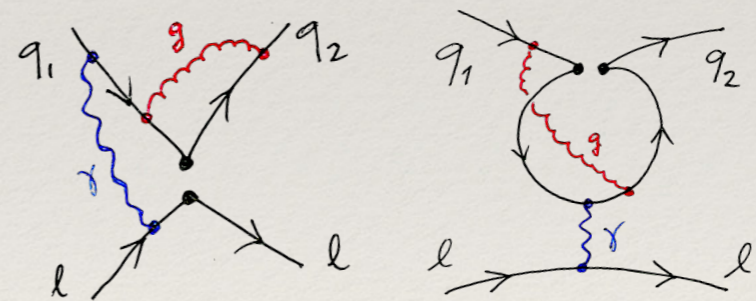
and its application to weak processes:



- Extraction of the **CKM matrix elements** and **unitarity test**

## ② Two loop anomalous dimensions in QCD+QED

and analysis of the bounds to the New Physics scale:



- Can be relevant in many processes, possible applications in **B-physics**

**DICHTL Maximilian**

# GGI Gong Show

Maximilian Dichtl

Theoretical Particle Physics at Colliders  
Technical University of Munich

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M. Ruhdorfer, J. Serra, A. Weiler

Effective Field Theory of Gravity to All Orders

[arXiv:1908.08050v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.08050v1)

- EFT of gravity coupled to SM (GRSMEFT)

- $C_{\mu\nu}^{\rho\sigma} C^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} C_{\alpha\beta\rho\sigma}$
- $G^{\mu\nu} G^{\rho\sigma} C_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$
- $H^\dagger H C_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} C^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$
- ...

- Goals:

- Find suitable observables
- Put bounds on  $\Lambda$
- Constrain Wilson-coefficients

**DRAUKSAS Simonas**



- Simonas Draukšas of **Lithuania**
- 1st year PhD student at Vilnius University
- Our group is working with the **Grimus-Neufeld model**
- The model has an additional *Higgs Doublet* and a 4th heavy *Majorana neutrino* >>> **neutrino mass generation**
- The main goal of my PhD is to perform the **full renormalisation** of the Grimus-Neufeld model



**FUCILLA   Michael**

- ▶ Name: Michael Fucilla
- ▶ Affiliation: Università della Calabria & INFN-Cosenza
- ▶ E-mail: [mike.fucilla@libero.it](mailto:mike.fucilla@libero.it)
- ▶ Research interests: Investigation of semi-hard regime of QCD, BFKL approach.



# Research interests

- ▶ Semi-hard collision process, featuring the scale hierarchy

$$s \gg Q^2 \gg \Lambda_{QCD}^2, \quad Q^2 \text{ a hard scale,}$$

Regge kinematical region

$$\alpha_s(Q^2) \ln\left(\frac{s}{Q^2}\right) \sim 1 \implies \text{all-order resummation needed}$$

- ▶ The **Balitsky-Fadin-Kuraev-Lipatov (BFKL)** approach is the general framework for this resummation
  - Leading-logarithm-Approximation (LLA):  $(\alpha_s \ln s)^n$
  - Next-to-leading-logarithm-Approximation (NLLA):  $\alpha_s(\alpha_s \ln s)^n$
- ▶ However, experimental evidences of the BFKL dynamics are not conclusive, thus motivating proposal of new probes.
- ▶ Partially inclusive processes with jets and/or identified particles in the final state are suitable for this kind of investigation (e.g. Muller-Navellet jets).
- ▶ The BFKL approach is also important for the description of the low- $x$  unintegrated gluon density.

Thanks for the attention!

**GAVARDI    Alessandro**

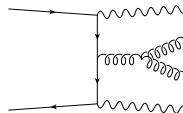
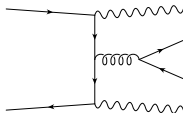
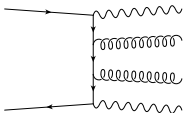
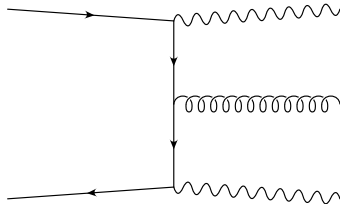
# Hello everyone!

My name is **Alessandro Gavardi**

and I am a Ph.D. student from  
**Università degli Studi di Milano-Bicocca**



My area of research is the **Theory and Phenomenology of the Standard Model** and currently I am working on **double photon plus jet production at LHC**



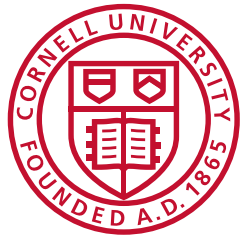
**GOMESAndrew**

# GGI Winter School 2020

Andrew Gomes

Cornell University (PhD student)

Advisor: Csaba Csáki



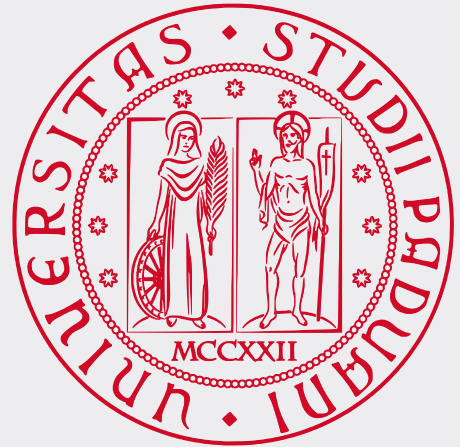
Cornell University

# Andrew Gomes Research Interests

- Currently extending the on-shell formulation of the chiral anomaly to spontaneously broken gauge theories
- Future interest in Higgs models, extra dimensions, and non-perturbative phenomena both on- and off-shell

**GRANELLI Alessandro**

# Alessandro Granelli



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Master in Physics at the University of Padua (PD)  
Supervisor: Dott. Francesco D'Eramo  
Thesis: A novel dark matter mechanism to produce X-ray lines with unique morphology and spectrum

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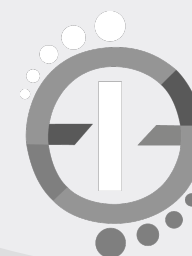


Diploma in Natural Sciences at the  
Galileian School of Higher Education (SGSS - PD)



**SISSA**

PhD position in Astroparticle Physics at SISSA , Trieste (TS)  
Supervisor: Prof. Serguey T. Petcov  
Project: Resonant Leptogenesis at the TeV scale



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# X-Rays from Inelastic Dark Matter

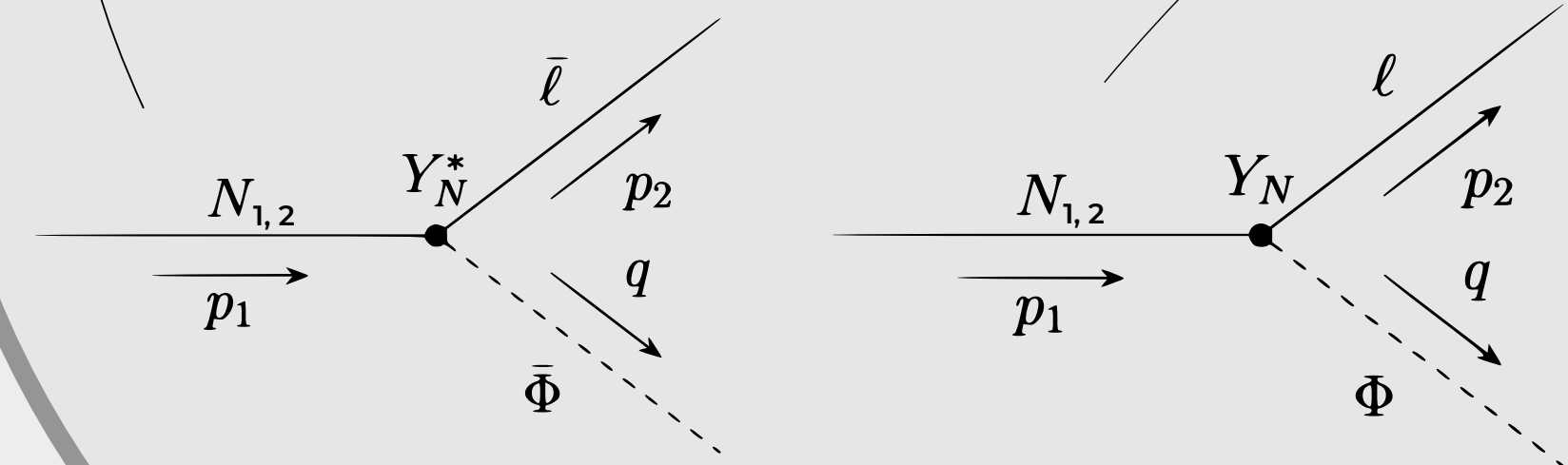
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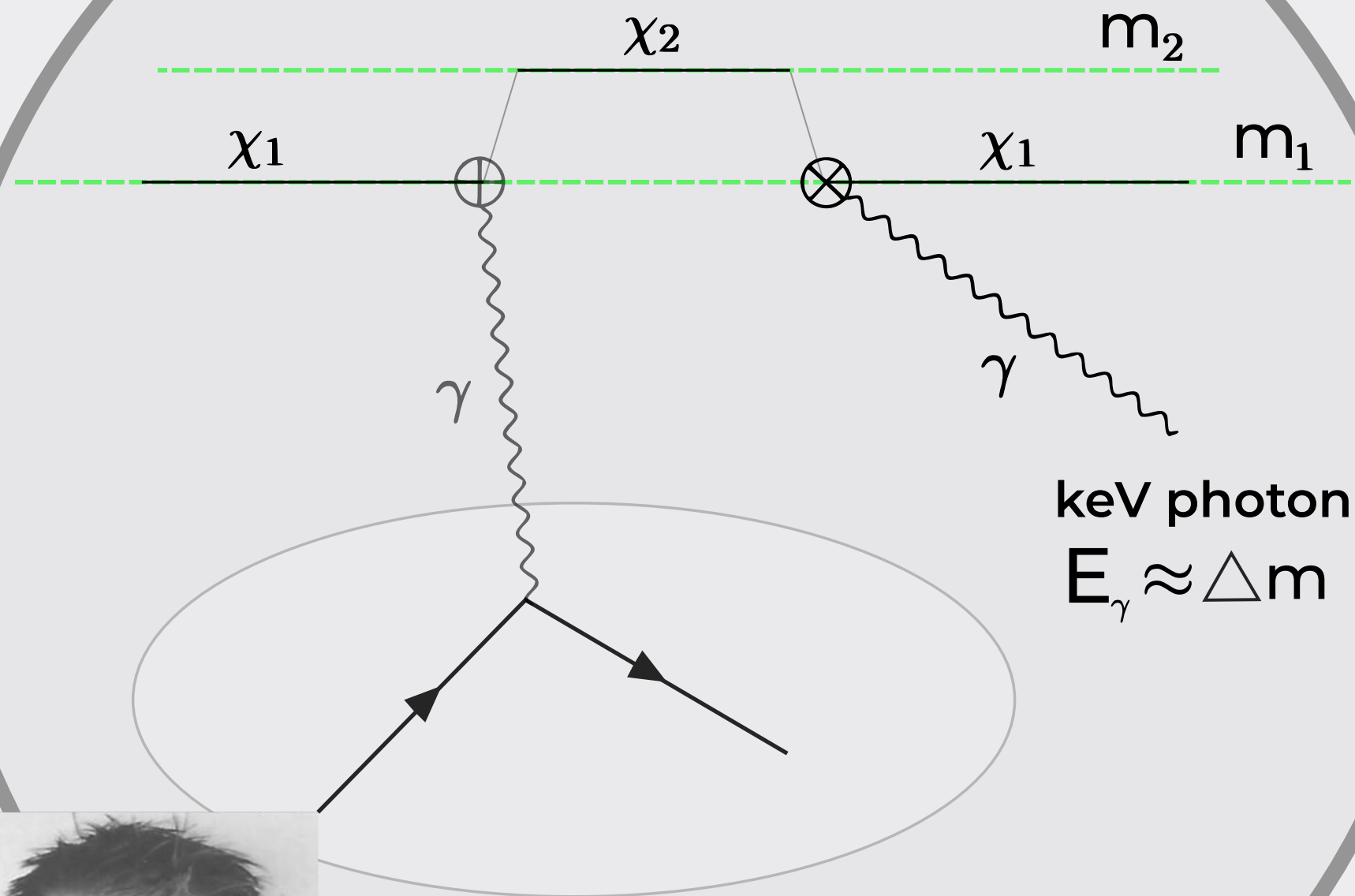
Baryogenesis via Leptogenesis  
in the Early Universe

Light neutrinos' masses  
via Type I Seesaw mechanism

$$M_1 \sim M_2 \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$$



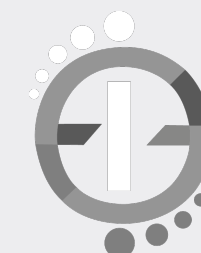
## Resonant Leptogenesis at the TeV scale



keV plasma  
(IGM)



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**GUERRERO MENKARA Adriana**

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**Affiliation: Chung Ang University**

**Advisor: Hyun Min Lee**

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## Research Interests:

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**Cosmology, Physics beyond the Standard model, Supergravity, Supersymmetry Anomalies.**

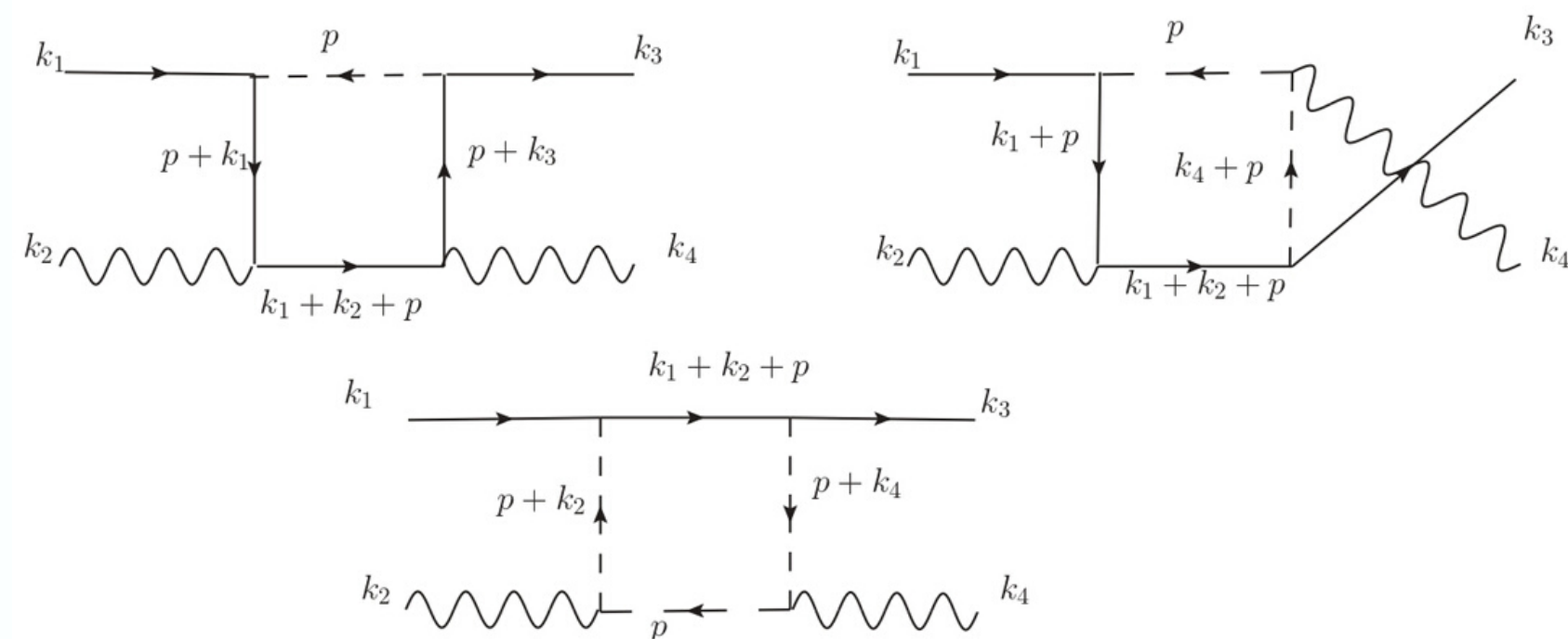
# Ongoing work

## 1. SUSY ANOMALIES

- Prove the SUSY anomalies explicitly.
- Study implications of anomalous U(1) symmetry breaking
- Study low-energy phenomenology.

## 2. FOUR FORM FLUX

- Hierarchy problem
- Phase transition
- Inflation
- Reheating

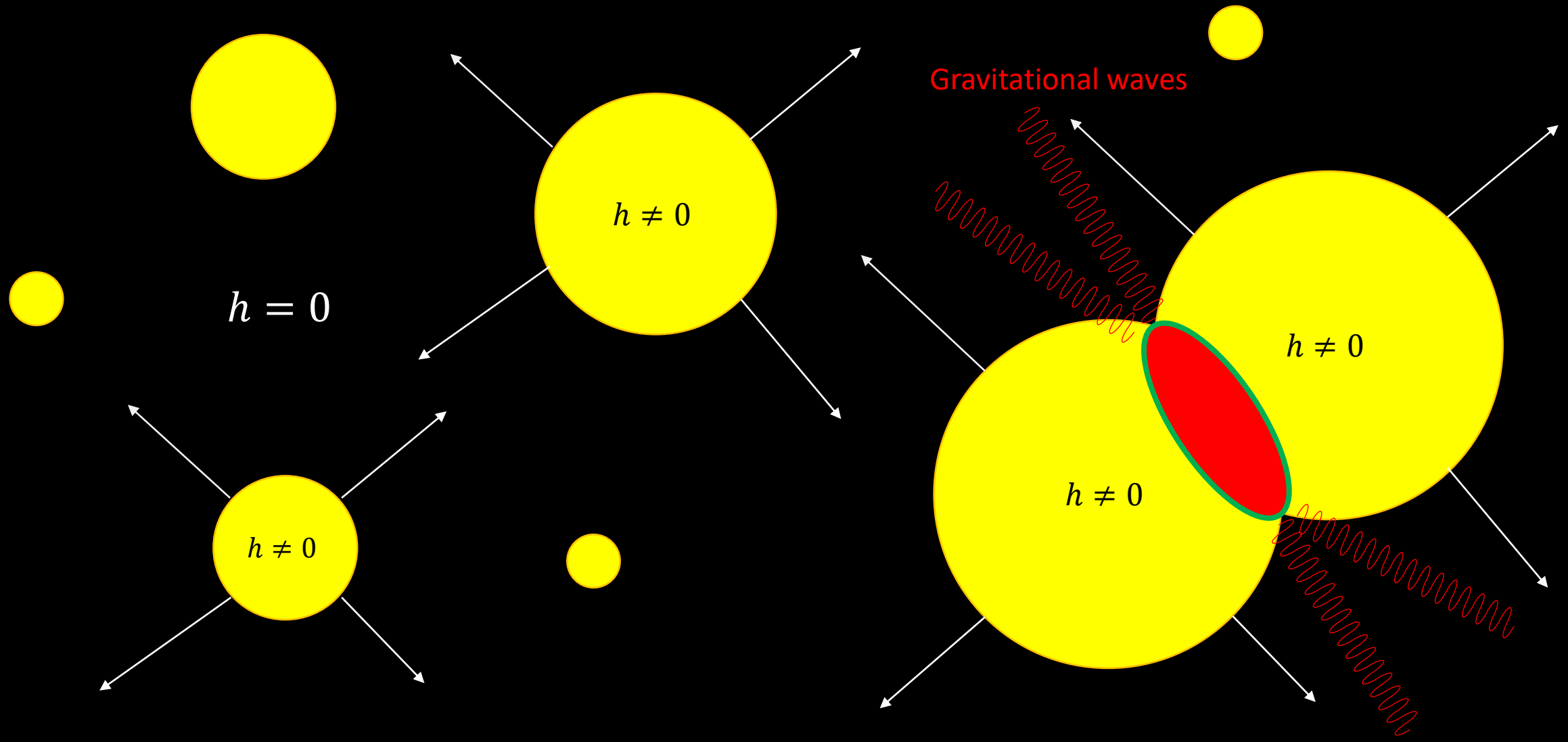


**GUIGGIANI Andrea**

My name is Andrea Guiggiani!

Master student  
University of Florence

# Cosmological 1<sup>st</sup> order phase transitions:



**GUPTA Nitin**

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## Students' Gong-Show

### Student Information :-

Name : Nitin Gupta

Affiliation : QASTM Collaboration & IISER Mohali, India

Advisor : Dr. Sayantan Choudhury, MPIGP-AEI, Potsdam

Field : Open Quantum Cosmology and High Energy Physics

# Research Goals & Outline :-

- Goal : To better understand space-time and interactions.
- Cosmological scenario provides a nice platform to study interactions which may lead one to a better understanding of space-time & interactions
- Everything, including interactions, is fundamentally of quantum nature.
- So we have : Cosmology + Quantum Interactions  $\rightarrow$  OQC
- Mathematical Tools required : OQS, GR, QFT, Non-Eq SM etc
- Example problem : Study of two atom quantum entanglement in static patch of de-Sitter space.
- Insights : arxiv 1908.09929 : Entanglement is initially zero but later on it increases and then saturates.

**ISABELLA Giulia**



Giulia Isabella, LPT Orsay



# GONG-SHOW, GGI 2020

Supervisors: Adam Falkowski, Brando Bellazzini

8 janvier 2020

# MODERN S-MATRIX METHODS FOR HIGHER SPINS

## On-Shell Methods

Fundamental principles



$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{\psi}(i\gamma^\mu \mathcal{D}_\mu - m)\psi - \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \dots$$

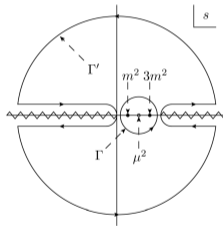


*Scattering amplitudes*

$$A(p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4) = \mathcal{F}(s, t, u)$$

## Effective Field Theory

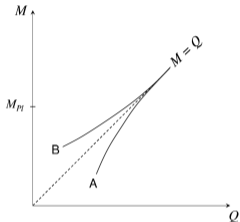
► Positivity constraints



**Application to dRGT massive gravity**

# WEAK GRAVITY CONJECTURE VIA UNITARITY

## Weak Gravity Conjecture ( $\frac{Q}{M} > 1$ )



$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( \frac{R}{2\kappa^2} - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \alpha_1 (F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu})^2 + \dots \right)$$



$$\left( \frac{\sqrt{2}Q}{M/m_{Pl}} \right)_{ext.} = 1 + \frac{4}{5} \frac{(4\pi)^2 m_{Pl}^2}{M^2} (2\alpha_1 - \alpha_3) > 1$$

## Positivity Constraints

- ▶  $\mathcal{M}^{z_1 z_2}(s, t \rightarrow 0) = -\frac{s^2}{m_{Pl}^2 t} + \mathcal{O}(s)$
- ▶ Regularized by compactification of one dimension
- ▶ Computing amplitudes of gravity in 3D

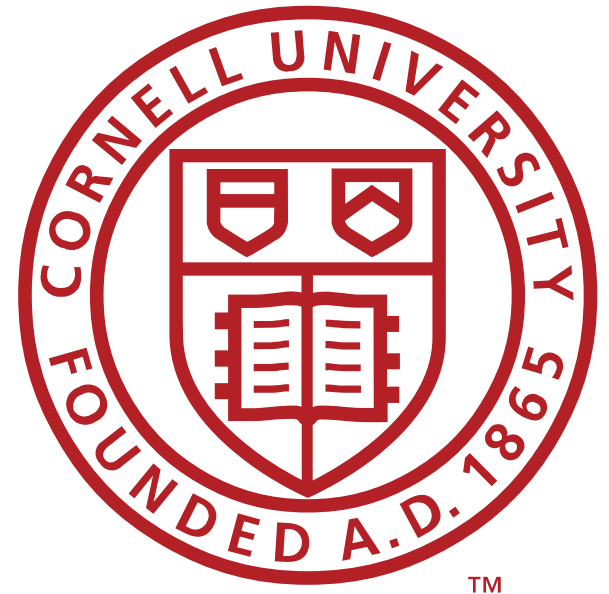


**ISMAIL Ameen**

# Ameen Ismail

Cornell University

Supervisor: Csaba Csáki



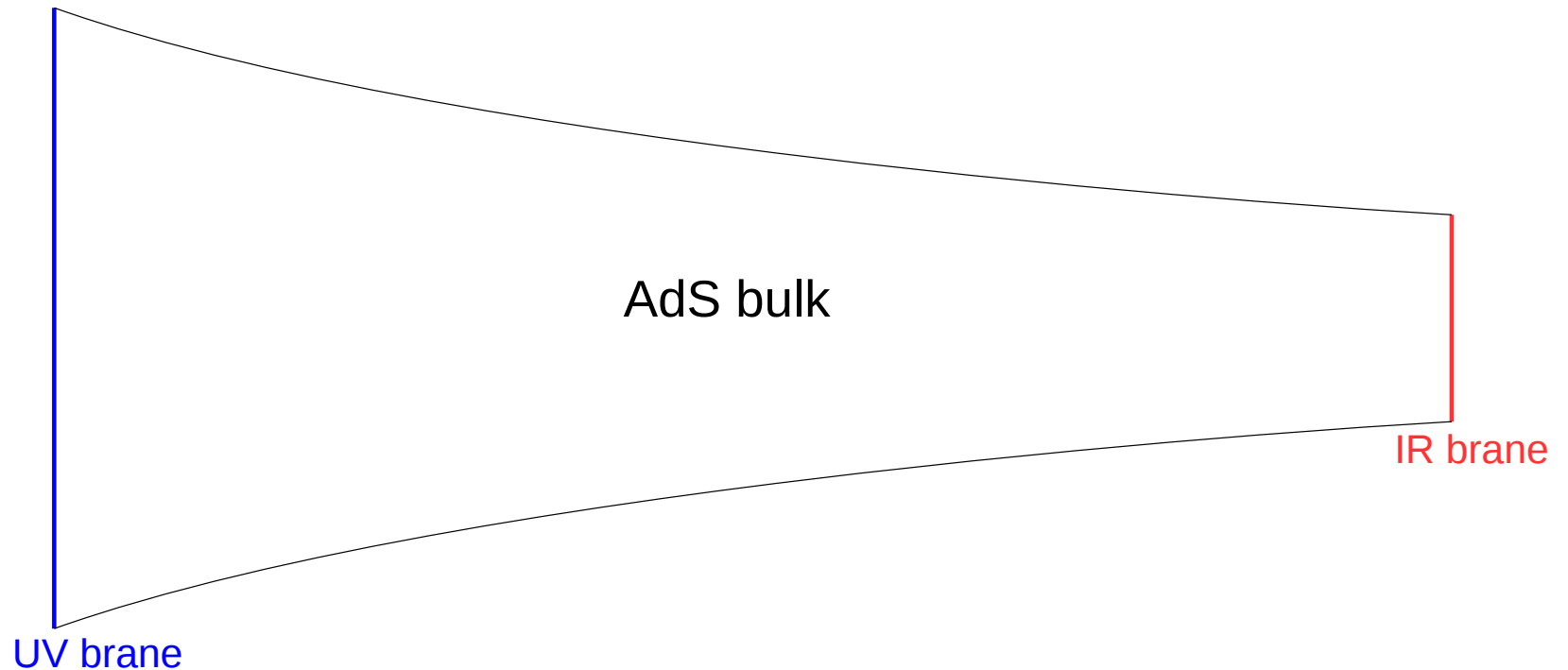
Research interests:

- Hierarchy problem
- Extended Higgs sectors
- Extra dimensions

Other interests (would like to learn more!):

- Machine learning
- On-shell scattering amplitudes

# Warped extra dimensions



Dilaton:

- Parametrizes fluctuations of branes
- Goldstone boson of broken conformal symmetry
- Effective action unknown beyond linear order

Spacetime symmetry breaking approach, CCWZ

**KIM     Jung-Wook**

# Classical physics of compact spinning bodies from QFT

Jung-Wook Kim, Seoul National University

Works in collaboration with; Ming-Zhi Chung, Yu-Tin Huang, and Sangmin Lee  
arXiv:1812.08752, 1908.08463, 1911.12775

## ► Motivation

- Recently, obtaining classical physics from QFT has regained interest
  - E.g. 3PM conservative Hamiltonian of BH binary from Zvi Bern's group
- Usually focused on non-spinning bodies or first few orders in spin
  - Limited by finiteness of spin: spin  $s$  particle only has up to  $2^{2s}$ -multipole moments
- Can we crank up to *arbitrary* orders in spin?

## ► Method

- Combine modern amplitude techniques with (NRGR) EFT
- Study physics of massive higher spin particles (without introducing fields)

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## ► Some notable results

- Black holes couple to photons and gravitons “minimally”

$$M_s^{+2} = \frac{\kappa m x^2}{2m^{2s}} \left[ g_0 \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{2s} + g_1 \langle \mathbf{21} \rangle^{2s-1} \frac{x \langle \mathbf{2q} \rangle \langle q\mathbf{1} \rangle}{m} + \dots + g_{2s} \frac{(x \langle \mathbf{2q} \rangle \langle q\mathbf{1} \rangle)^{2s}}{m^{2s}} \right]$$

$$M_s^{-2} = \frac{\kappa m x^{-2}}{2m^{2s}} \left[ g_0 [\mathbf{21}]^{2s} + g_1 [\mathbf{21}]^{2s-1} \frac{[\mathbf{2q}][q\mathbf{1}]}{xm} + \dots + g_{2s} \frac{([\mathbf{2q}][q\mathbf{1}])^{2s}}{x^{2s} m^{2s}} \right],$$

- Leading order gravitational Hamiltonian to all orders in spin can be computed
- EM stress tensor of KNBH spacetime can be reproduced from 1-loop computations

$$\frac{8T_{\mu\nu}}{Q^2 \pi \sqrt{-q^2}} = -u_\mu u_\nu J_0(\vec{a} \times \vec{q}) + \left( -u_\mu u_\nu + \frac{q_\mu q_\nu - q^2 \eta_{\mu\nu}}{-q^2} + 2i u_{(\mu} E_{\nu)} \right) \left[ \frac{J_1(\vec{a} \times \vec{q})}{\vec{a} \times \vec{q}} \right] + E_\mu E_\nu \left[ \frac{J_2(\vec{a} \times \vec{q})}{(\vec{a} \times \vec{q})^2} \right]$$

Classical field theory computation

1-loop form factor computation  
( $q^2 \rightarrow 0$  limit; HCL)

$$\langle p_2 | T_{\mu\nu} | p_1 \rangle = \frac{|\vec{q}|}{32} \frac{\alpha_q^2}{M_{pl}} \left\{ -\frac{P_\mu P_\nu}{m^2} \left[ \frac{I_1(a \cdot q)}{(a \cdot q)} + I_0(a \cdot q) \right] + 2i \frac{P_{(\mu} E_{\nu)}}{m} \frac{I_1(a \cdot q)}{(a \cdot q)} - \frac{q_\mu q_\nu - \eta_{\mu\nu} q^2}{q^2} \frac{I_1(a \cdot q)}{(a \cdot q)} + E_\mu E_\nu \frac{I_2(a \cdot q)}{(a \cdot q)^2} \right\}$$

**LANDINI    Giacomo**

# GGI school 2020

**Giacomo Landini**

Università di Pisa and INFN, Sezione di Pisa

Phd student

Supervisor: Prof. Alessandro Strumia

# Phd Project(s)

## Composite Dark Matter

- **Composite** DM candidates coming from **gauge** dynamics + 1 **scalar** field
- Scalar in fundamental or two-index representation of  $SU(N), SO(N), Sp(N)$
- Study of the different **phases** (Higgsed, confined) and **dualities** among them
- DM **phenomenology**

## CP-violating Axions

- **CP-violating** couplings of axions with nucleons could mediate new **forces** (long-range or monopole-dipole)
- New experimental setups for monopole-dipole interaction (ARIADNE)
- Possible **sources** of CP-violation from **NP**
- Some concrete model for **baryogenesis**

**LEESung Mook**

# General Information

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▪ Advisor : Park, Seong Chan

▪ Research Interests : The Physics of the Early Universe  
BSM from Cosmology

# Research Interests

## ■ Previous Works

- <Higgs Inflation and the Refined dS Conjecture>
- <Primordial Black Holes in Higgs- $R^2$  Inflation as a whole dark matter>

arXiv : 1811.03622  
PLB 789 (2019) 336-340  
D.Y. Cheong, SML, S.C. Park  
arXiv : 1912.12032  
D.Y. Cheong, SML, S.C. Park

## ■ Current Works

- Matter/Antimatter Asymmetry from the Higgs Inflation
- QFT in curved spacetime → Dark Matter / Baryogenesis

## ■ Future Works

- General Aspects of Inflation (Effective Theory, etc.)
- Anything Interesting & Important!

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Curriculum in Theoretical Physics



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**Advisor:** Prof. Paolo Nason

**Coordinator:** Prof. Marta Calvi

Academic year: 2019/2020

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## RESEARCH PROGRAM

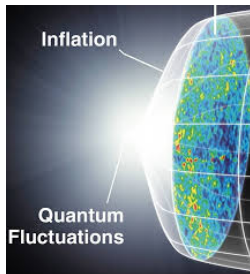
- ▶ Non perturbative QCD (NPQCD) and Renormalon effects in Z+jet associated production in hadronic collisions
- ▶ Computation up to Next-to-Leading Order in  $\alpha_s$ , in the large  $n_f$  approximation
- ▶ Looking for corrections of order  $\Lambda_{QCD}$  for specific kinematical observables
- ▶ HJJ production with a pseudoscalar Higgs in MiNNLO

**LUNDBERG Torbjörn**

# Why TQFT?

## Motivation

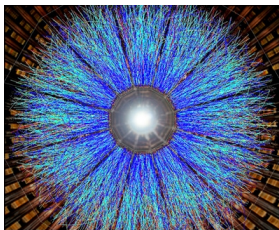
## Some results



<https://lecospa.ntu.edu.tw>



<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Supernova>

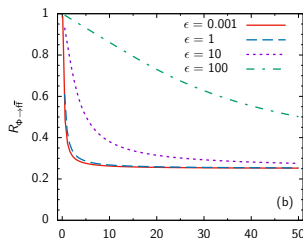
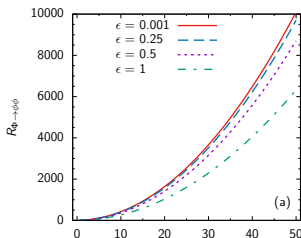


<http://news.mit.edu/2010/exp-quark-gluon-0609>

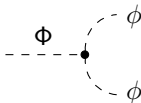
# Comparison to $T = 0$

## Motivation

## Some results



(Figures are reproduced results of Ho&Scherrer, 2015)



- $R_{\Phi \rightarrow \text{final}} = \Gamma_D / \gamma_D$ ,  $\epsilon = |\mathbf{p}| / M_\Phi$ .
- Results plotted for  $p^2 \gg 4m^2$ .
- Temperature effects kick in  $\sim$  a few-10 MeV. (Zheng et al. 2014)



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**MANSO**António

# Physics of the inflationary Universe: particle production and gravity waves

**Student:** António Torres Manso

**Supervisor:** Mar Bastero Gil

**Institution:** Facultad Ciencias Universidad Granada  
Departamento de Física Teórica  
y del Cosmos



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- Study GW's production mechanisms during inflation, either due to particle production processes, or the amplification of scalar perturbations due to features in the inflaton potential.

These are related mechanisms since particle production may enhance both the tensor and scalar perturbations at second order.

- Explore Particle production during the first stages of reheating and preheating.

The same kind of interactions relevant during (p)reheating may be responsible for production processes during inflation, but leaving their imprint on the present spectrum of GW's at different frequencies.

- Study how the amplification of scalar perturbations beyond linear perturbation theory can lead to primordial black holes (PBH), these being a candidate for Dark Matter, and a source of GW's.

**MANTZAROPOULOS    Konstantinos**



# Konstantinos<sup>\*</sup> Mantzaropoulos

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<sup>\*</sup>or **Kostas** for short!

# Research Interests

## Neutrinos Physics

- ❑ Neutrino oscillations in matter in various media
- ❑ Neutrino oscillations with extra families
- ❑ Neutrino Masses

## Effective Field Theories (EFTs)

- ❑ Decoupling of heavy particles
- ❑ Functional approaches in decoupling
- ❑ Standard Model Effective Field Theory (SMEFT)
- ❑ Lepton flavor violation

## Neutrino Non-Standard Interactions (NSIs)

- ❑ Higher dimensional operators involving neutrino contact interactions with matter
- ❑ Models that can generate NSIs
- ❑ Effects in neutrino oscillations



**MEHRA Rahul**

# Rahul Mehra

24 years old



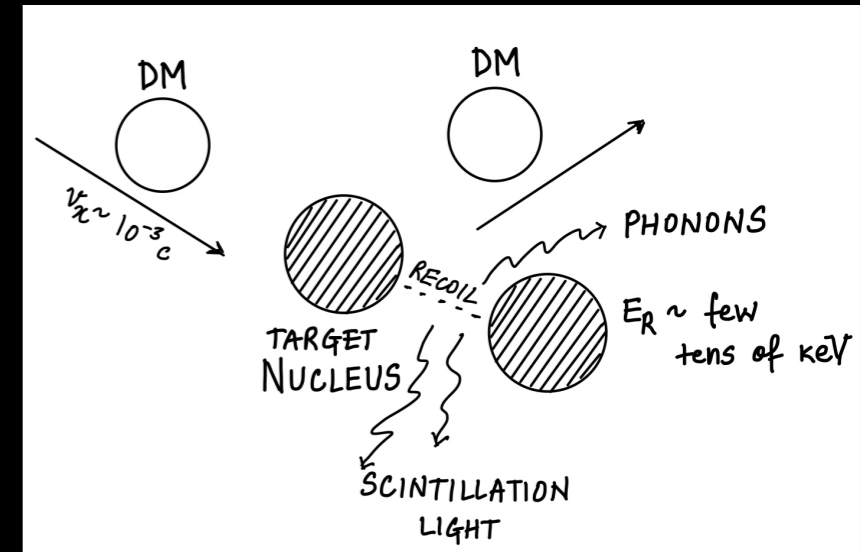
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Bethe Center for Theoretical Physics

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- MSc from Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-Universität Bonn (2015-2017)
- PhD (2018-) in the research group of Prof. Dr. Manuel Drees

# Research Interests

1907.10075, Phys. Lett. B799 (2019) 135039

'Neutron EDM constrains direct detection prospects'



- work in the formalism of a Non-Relativistic Effective Theory of Dark Matter Direct Detection (NREFT)

Fan, Reece and Wang - JCAP 1011 (2010) 042; Fitzpatrick et al. - JCAP 1302 (2013) 004;

Anand, Fitzpatrick and Haxton - Phys.Rev. C89 (2014) no.6, 065501

predicts previously unexplored kinds of DM-nucleus interactions!

- explore low energy constraints on NREFT of Dark Matter Direct Detection viz. Neutron Electric Dipole Moments (nEDM)

- not all interactions are equally important; identify relevant interactions based on particle physics considerations

old (leading order) interaction may still dominate over newly proposed interactions/operators (as one would expect)!

**MELARA Sheryl**

# Dark Matter Candidates from Standard Model Extensions

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# Why Dark Matter?

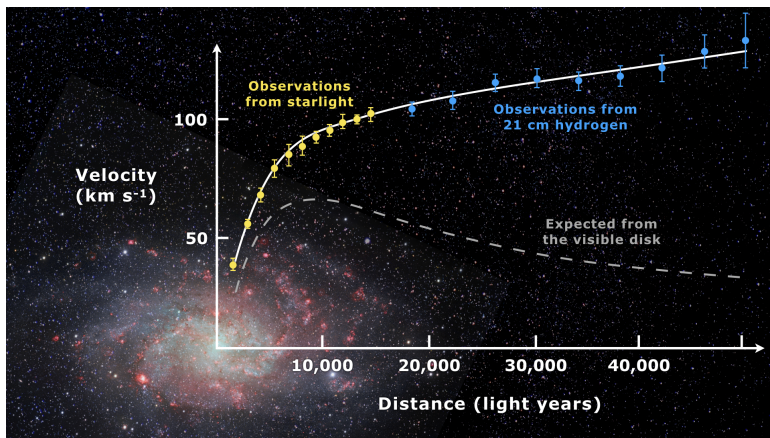


Figura: Evidence for dark matter: rotation curve of spiral galaxy

# Standard Model Extensions including Dark Matter Candidates

Possible candidates:

- Scalar bosons
- Fermions (Ex: heavy and sterile neutrinos)

## Inert Doublet Model

One doublet is involved in SSB (Higgs Particle) while the other one does not interact with fermions and does not acquire a vev.

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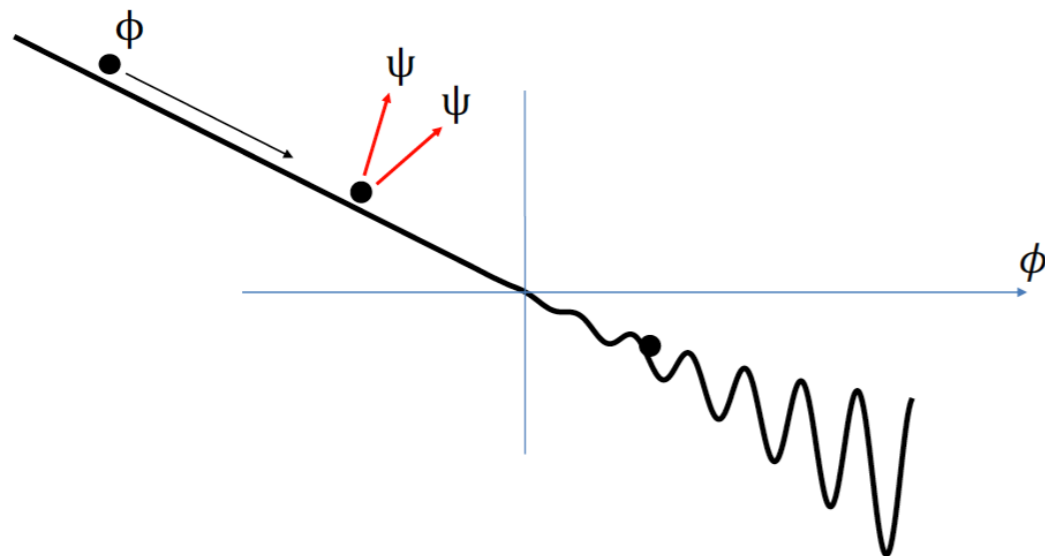
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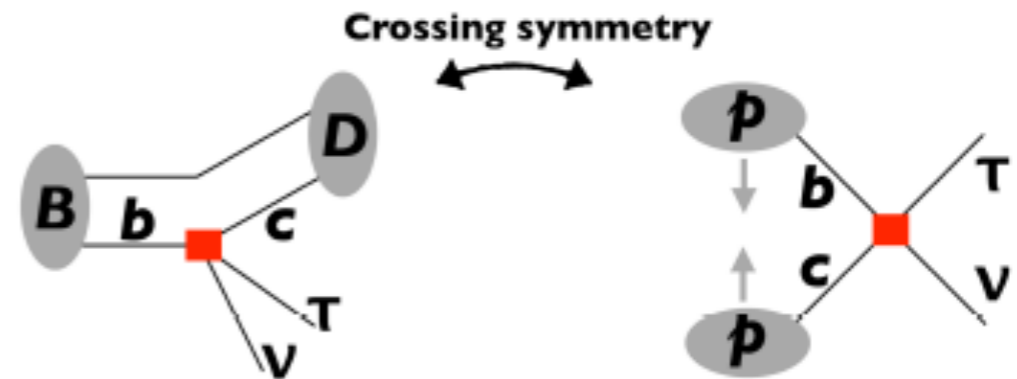
## Cosmological Relaxation from Fermion Production

(arXiv: 1909.07706)



- Dynamical solution to the naturalness problem
- Fermion production as main friction for slow-roll

## B-anomaly Search in Collider (on going...)



- Discrepancy in  $R_{D^{(*)}}$  between Exp and SM by  $\sim 4\sigma$
- Competition between B-meson decay and  $bc\tau\nu$  scattering in collider

Thank You

**MOUGIAKAKOS      Stavros**

# Scattering Amplitudes in Effective Gravitational Theories

Stavros Mougiakakos

Supervisor: Pierre Vanhove



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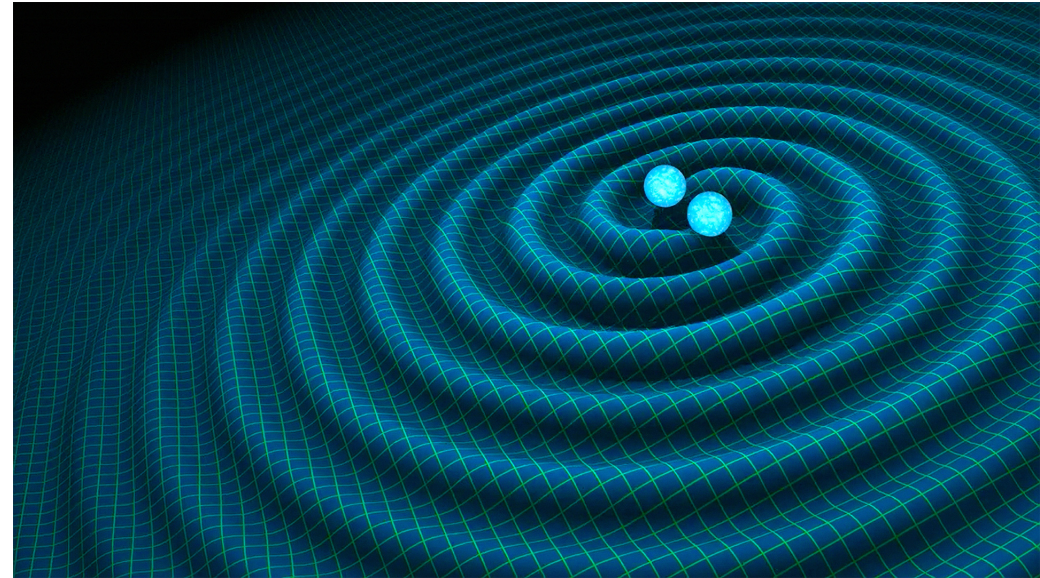
- N. E. J Bjerrum-Bohr, John F. Donoghue, Pierre Vanhove; [arXiv : 1309.0804v2](#)
- N. E. J. Bjerrum-Bohr, Poul H. Damgaard, Guido Festuccia, Ludovic Plante, Pierre Vanhove; [arXiv : 1806.04920v2](#)
- M. Levi, [S. Mougiakakos](#) and M. Vieira; [arXiv : 1912.06276](#)
- Upcoming work with P. Vanhove

Journee des theses, 3 December 2019, IPhT-CEA

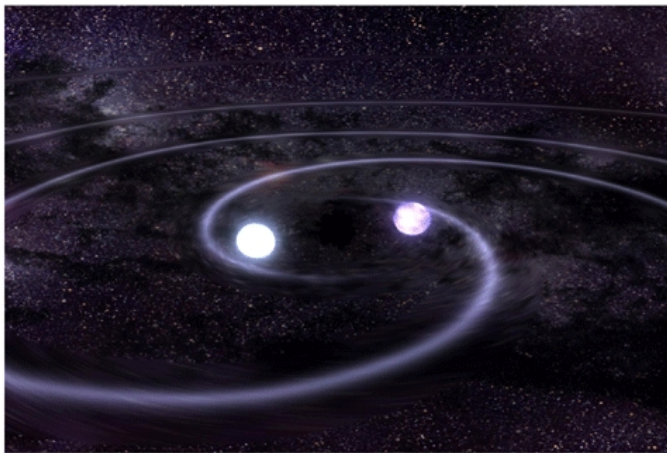
# Observational Window on gravity

The detection of gravitational waves (GW150914) has opened a new window on the physics of our universe:

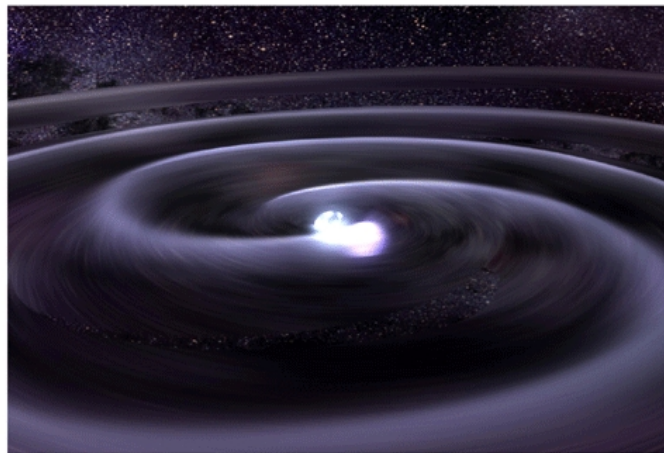
- For the first time detection and test of GR in the strong gravity coupling regime
- For the first time dynamics of Black holes (not just static object curving space-time)



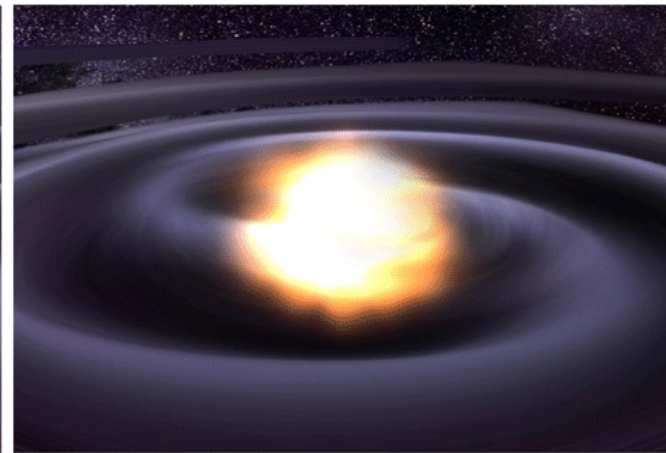
# 2-body problem



**Inspiral**



**Merger**



**Ringdown**

A lot of work has already been done in the analytical solution in perturbative GR.

**T. Damour, L. Blanchet, A. Buonanno et al.**

**Can the particle physics community contribute to this problem?**

# Particle Physicist's Point of View on the gravitational 2-body problem



## EFT of Post-Newtonian Gravity

W.D Goldberger, I. Rothstein, R. Porto ,  
M. Levi et al

- Classical computation
- Takes advantage of QFT toolbox
- Non relativistic computation
- Can deal effectively with spin effects
- State of the art: 4-PN without spins  
4,5-PN( $S^3$ )



## Scattering Amplitudes and Post-Minkowskian

Z. Bern, P. Vanhove, N.E.J. Bjerrum-Bohr, J. Donoghue  
,D. Kosower et al.

- Quantum computation
- Takes advantage of modern methods for on-shell scattering amplitudes (BCJ relations/double copy)
- Fully relativistic computation
- Active work for inclusion of spin effects  
arXiv:1709.04891, arXiv:1812.08752
- State of the art: 2-PM without spins

**MURATORI Maurizio**

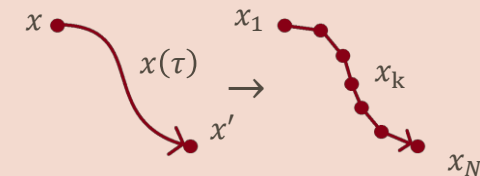
# A WORLDLINE MONTE CARLO APPROACH IN CURVED SPACE

- 1<sup>st</sup> quantization technique to **compute QFT-quantities**
    - QM-path integrals** ( $\sigma$ -models)  
 $\int D\phi(x) \rightarrow \int Dx(\tau)$  representing the **dynamics of a point-particle**  $x(\tau)$  propagating in spacetime
      - Example: trace anomaly
- $$\text{tr} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \sigma(x) \delta^D(x - y) \right] = \lim_{\beta \rightarrow 0} \int_{\text{PBC}} Dx \sqrt{g(x)} \frac{1}{2} \sigma(x) e^{-S[x]}$$
- $$S[x] = \frac{1}{\beta} \int_0^1 d\tau \left[ \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu}(x) \dot{x}^\mu \dot{x}^\nu + \beta^2 (V_{\text{ext}} + V_{\text{CT}}) \right]$$
- Straightforward **extension from flat space to curved space**
  - PIs
  - A wide class of problems can be approached: **strongly interacting fermions, Schwinger pair creation, Casimir effect, CPN models, spontaneous CSB, ... in curved space**



- WL formalism  $\rightarrow$  optimal for **numerical implementations**

- Each worldline is discretized wrt its proper time  $\tau$



- A **Monte Carlo** algorithm is used to choose the points on a flat  $D$ -manifold, exploiting the discretized kinetic term of the theory
  - vloops, yloops, LSOL, ...*
- The  $x$ -points are not constrained on a lattice
- WLMC output  $\rightarrow$  averaged PI

$$\langle I(\beta) \rangle = \frac{\int Dx e^{-S_{\text{KIN}} - S_{\text{POT}}}}{\int Dx e^{-S_{\text{KIN}}}} \simeq \frac{\sum_{s=1}^{N_{\text{WL}}} e^{-S_{\text{POT}}^{(s)}(\beta)}}{N_{\text{WL}}}$$

# of WLs

$$S_{\text{POT}}^{(s)}(\beta) = \frac{\beta}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N V_{\text{ext}}(x_k^{(s)})$$

# of points per WL

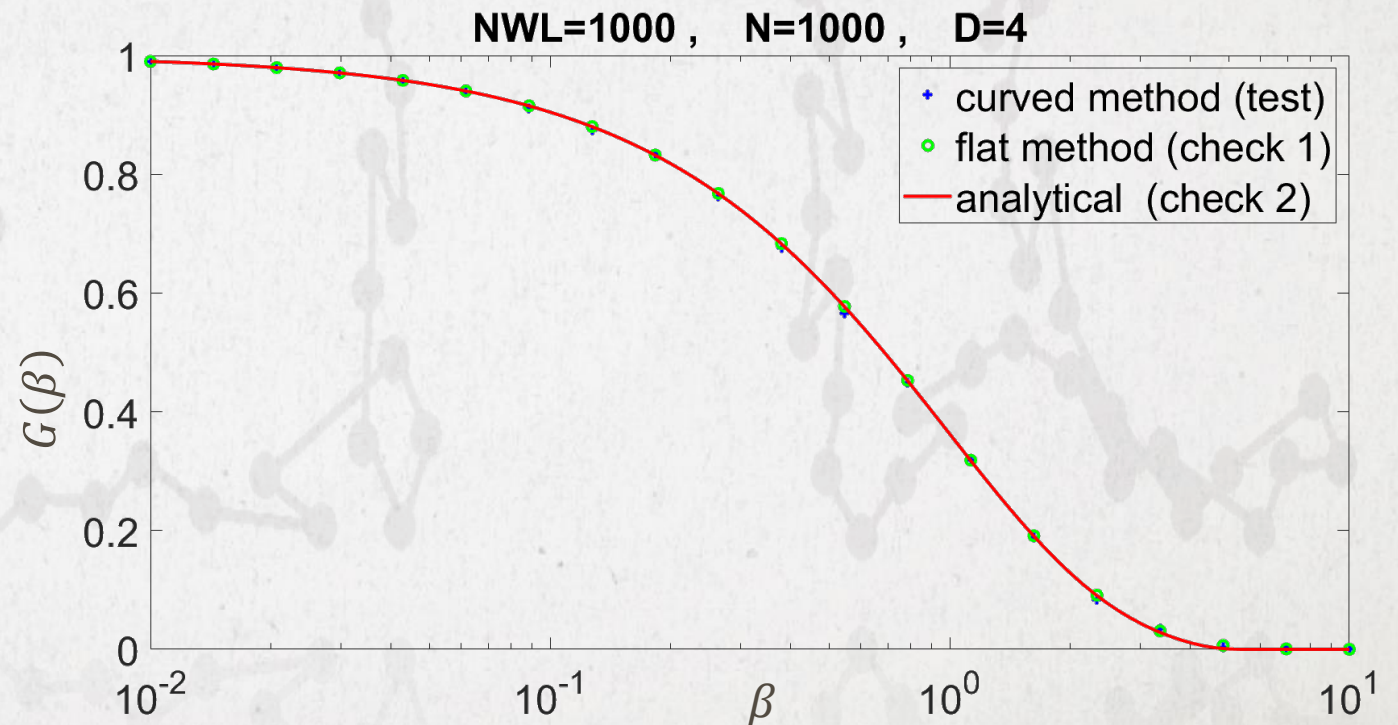
# WLMC IN CURVED SPACE

$$\delta_{\mu\nu}\dot{x}^\mu\dot{x}^\nu \rightarrow g_{\mu\nu}(x)\dot{x}^\mu\dot{x}^\nu = \delta_{\mu\nu}\dot{x}^\mu\dot{x}^\nu + [g_{\mu\nu}(x) - \delta_{\mu\nu}]\dot{x}^\mu\dot{x}^\nu$$

$$\sum_{s=1}^{N_{WL}} e^{-S_{POT}^{(s)}(\beta)} \rightarrow \sum_{s=1}^{N_{WL}} \sqrt{g^{(s)}} e^{-S_{POT}^{(s)}(\beta)}$$

$$V_{ext}(x_k) \rightarrow V_{ext}(x_k) + V_{KIN}(x_k) + V_{CT}(x_k)$$

**Test: heat kernel of  
free point-particle on a  
4-hyperboloid**



**NOVOA BRUNET     Martin**

# Gong Show GGI Lectures

## Who am I? -> Martín Novoa Brunet

25 Years Old

2nd year PhD student at theory pole of **IJCLab (Ex-LPT)**, Orsay (Paris-Saclay University)

Chilean

(I come from the spaghetti shaped country)



Under the supervision of:

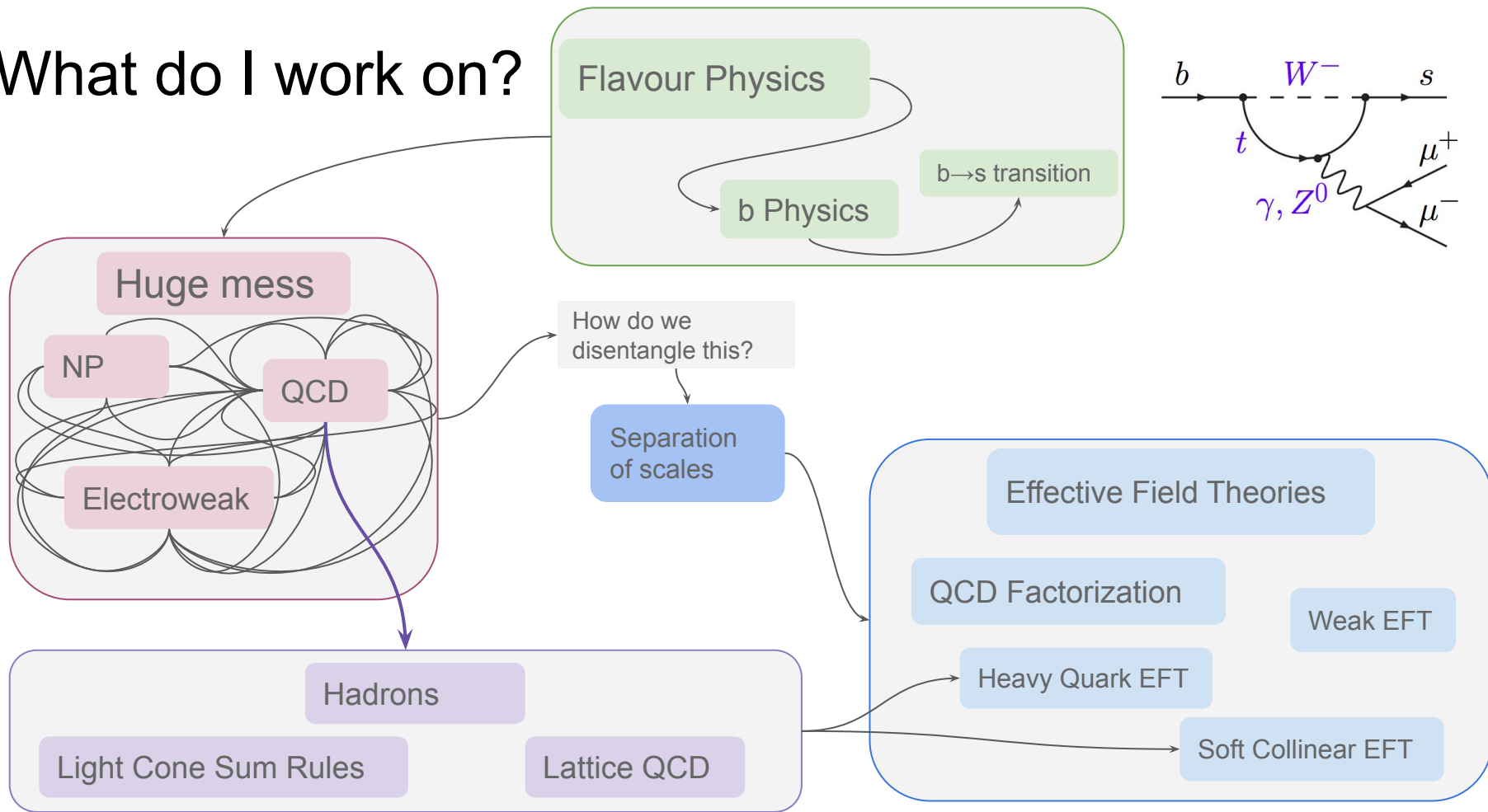
Flavour physics and Anomalies on Lepton  
Flavour Universality (LFU) tests

Fun Fact: I can  
lick my elbow!



Sébastien Descotes-Genon

# What do I work on?



**ÖSTERMANJuuso**



# Juuso Österman

University of Helsinki, Helsinki Institute of Physics

PhD thesis (initial title): Equation of state of dense quark-gluon matter  
Supervisor: Aleksi Vuorinen

Goal: Analytical evaluation of  $g^6$  corrections to the cold quark matter pressure as follow up to  $O[g^6 \log(g)]$  corrections

PhD program (2020): Particle Physics and Universe Sciences  
(PAPU)

$$\sum_p' \frac{\tilde{\Pi}^T}{P^4} = \frac{T^2}{2(4\pi)^3} \int_r \sum_{p_n}' \frac{1}{r^2} \left[ \frac{1}{\sinh(2\pi T r)} - \frac{1}{2\pi T r} \right] \frac{e^{-2|p_n| r}}{|p_n|}$$



# Background



- Master's Thesis: *Evaluation of Master Integrals in Thermal Field Theory* (2019)
  - Generic results for high temperature perturbation theory
- Perturbative calculations: Matsubara formalism and real-time formalism
- Projects:
  - Validity of dimensional reduction (effective field theories)
  - Analytical loop calculations in lattice and continuum
  - RG equations and scale dependence (*Transcendental equations of the running coupling, arXiv:1912.08016v2 [math-ph]*)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^\infty dx x^z \left( \coth x - \frac{1}{x} - 1 \right) \left[ x \text{Li}_2(e^{-2x}) + \text{Li}_3(e^{-2x}) \right] \\
 &= 2^{-z-1} \Gamma(2+z) \left[ \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{\zeta(2+z, k+1)}{k^2} \right] - 2^{-1-z} \Gamma(1+z) \zeta(3+z) \\
 &+ 2^{-z} \Gamma(1+z) \left[ \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{\zeta(1+z, k+1)}{k^3} \right] - 2^{-z} \Gamma(z) \zeta(3+z) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{\zeta(2, k+1)}{2k^2} + \sum_{k=1}^\infty \frac{\frac{1}{z} - \gamma - \ln 2 - \psi(1+k)}{k^3} \\
 &- \frac{\zeta(3)}{2} - \frac{\zeta(3)}{z} + (\gamma + \ln 2) \zeta(3) - \zeta'(3) \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^\infty \left[ \frac{\zeta(2, k+1)}{2k^2} - \frac{\psi(1+k)}{k^3} \right] - \frac{\zeta(3)}{2} - \zeta'(3) + \mathcal{O}(z) \\
 &= -\frac{7\pi^4}{720} + \left( \gamma - \frac{1}{2} \right) \zeta(3) - \zeta'(3) + \mathcal{O}(z),
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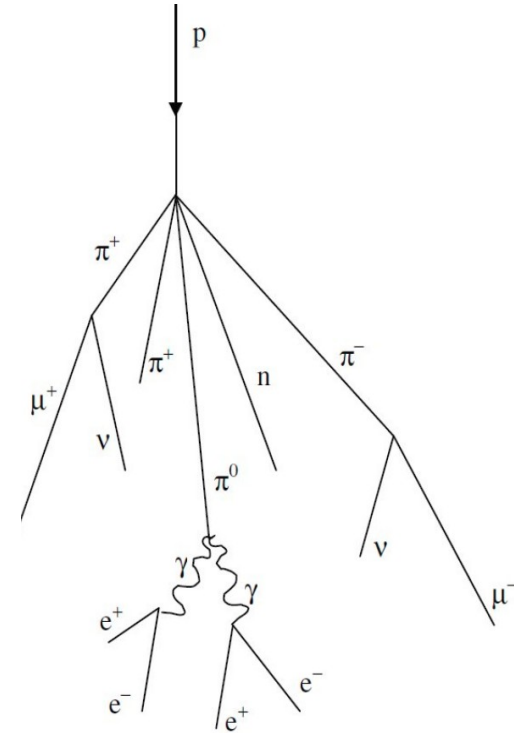
**OUESLATI Rami**

# Forward physics and ultra-high-energy cosmic ray showers

Rami Oueslati : Ph. D. student

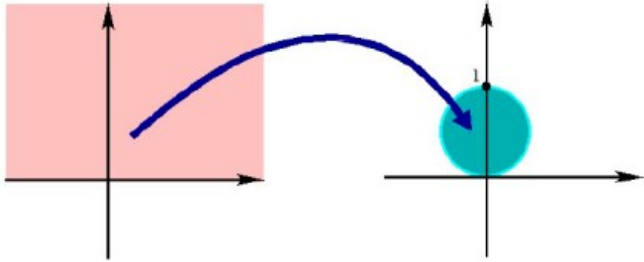
In collaboration with Dr. Atri Bhattacharya  
(post doc) and Prof. Jean-René Cudell  
(supervisor)

Goal : Better understanding of atmospheric  
cosmic ray showers and of forward hadronic  
scattering at ultra-high energies



## Project 1 Unitarization effects

The naïve extrapolation of low energy hadronic model violates the unitarity of the S matrix

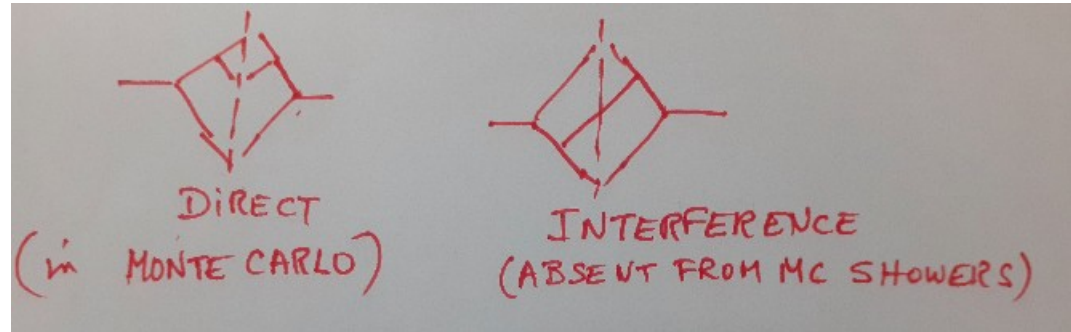


Mapping from the upper complex plane into the unitarity circle

- Unitarity of the S-matrix
- Several ways to map to the unit circle
- They make a significant difference for diffractive scattering

## Project 2 Minimum bias

- We shall start with a calculation in  $\lambda \varphi^3$  theory



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**INSTITUTE OF PHYSICS, BHUBANESWAR  
(INDIA)**

**My supervisor : Dr. Manimala Mitra**

## Research Interest :

Collider analysis of different new physics models like

- Neutrino mass model (Seesaw mechanism)
- Lepto-quark
- Dark matter



**PÉLI Zoltán**

# About me

Zoltán Péli\*

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MTA - DE Particle Physics Research Group,  
Hungary, Debrecen  
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## BSc, MSc years

I have researched the implications of the so called generalized uncertainty principle (GUP) during my BSc [1] and MSc [2] studies. This is a generalization of Heisenberg's uncertainty principle allowing for a minimal possible, measurable length. This has for example motivations from quantum gravity.

## PhD years

During my PhD, my research revolved around functional renormalization group (FRG). The main feature of this method is its non-perturbative nature. For one thing, I have studied the critical exponents of 3D  $O(N)$  symmetric models in detail [3]. I have also calculated critical exponents in a quantum Einstein gravity model as part of a scholarship [4]. I have also investigated the possible treatment of a spatially periodic ground state in terms of FRG [5, 6, 7].

## Current research

In my postdoc job, I research beyond standard model (BSM) physics. I study a specific  $U(1)$  extension and a possible inflationary model. In the former I investigate the stability of the scalar potential [8], and the parameter space, where the possible detection of the new gauge boson is constrained by measurements (e.g.: NA64). In the latter, the inflation is triggered during the renormalization group flow of a multifield scalar potential [9].

## Research interest

Regarding my future research I don't have anything set in stone. I am mostly interested in the FRG treatment of non-perturbative phenomena. I also find the BSM physics intriguing as well, since it is an important task to combat and push the boundaries of our present knowledge.

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**RINAUDO Anna**

# Soft approximations in QCD and possible applications to $g - 2$

Supervisor: Lorenzo Magnea

$g - 2$

High order in perturbation theory

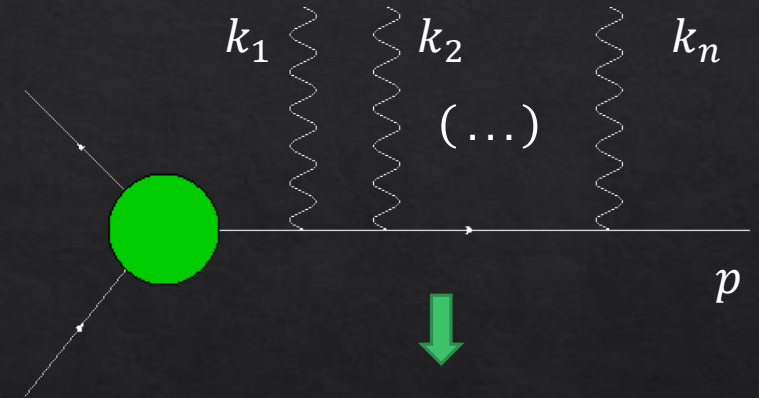


Hundreds of diagrams



Gauge sets

Soft approximations



Gauge invariant

# Small-x resummation

Supervisors: Simone Marzani & Giovanni Ridolfi

Perturbative  
quantities in QCD

$$O = \sum_n c_n \alpha_s^n$$



Logarithmic  
enhancements

$$\alpha_s^n \frac{1}{x} \ln^k \left( \frac{1}{x} \right)$$



Spoil the  
perturbativity of the  
 $\alpha_s$  expansion  
 $x \rightarrow 0$   
 $c_n \rightarrow \infty$



Resummation

**RIVA      Massimiliano Maria**

# Testing gravity with gravitational waves

**Srudent:** Massimiliano Maria Riva

**Supervisor:** Dr. Filippo Vernizzi

**Institute:** Université Paris-Saclay, CNRS, CEA, Institut de physique théorique,  
91191, Gif-sur-Yvette, France.

**Academic Year:** 2019-2020



# The binary inspiral problem

Three phases, different approaches

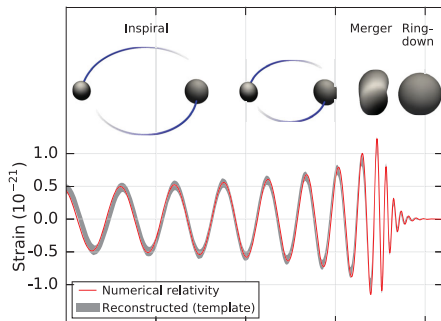


Figure: LIGO scientific collaboration and VIRGO scientific collaboration, Phys. Rev. Lett. **116** 6 (2016).

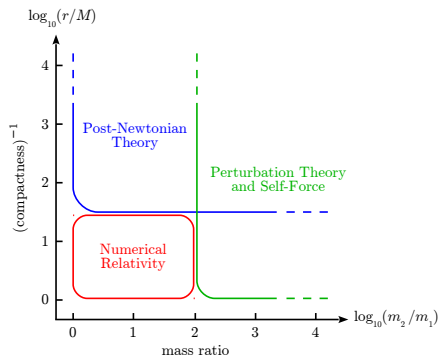


Figure: A. Le Tiec, Int. J. Mod. Phys **23** 10 (2014).

The inspiral phase contains most of the signal. With future detectors, more cycles of this phase will be detectable.

# Beyond GR: Modified Gravity

## Motivation

### Unknown ingredients of the $\Lambda$ CDM

- Initial condition and Inflation period.
- Nature of Dark matter.
- Nature of acceleration, hence Dark energy.

Modified gravity roadmap

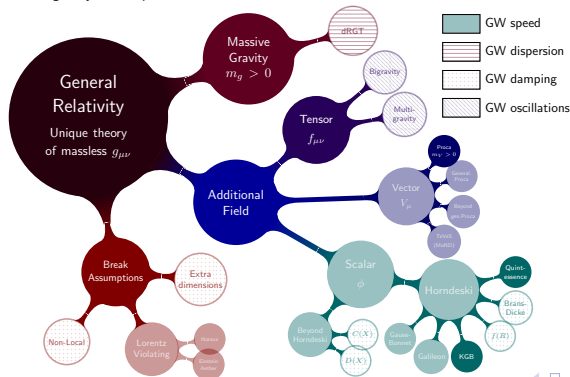
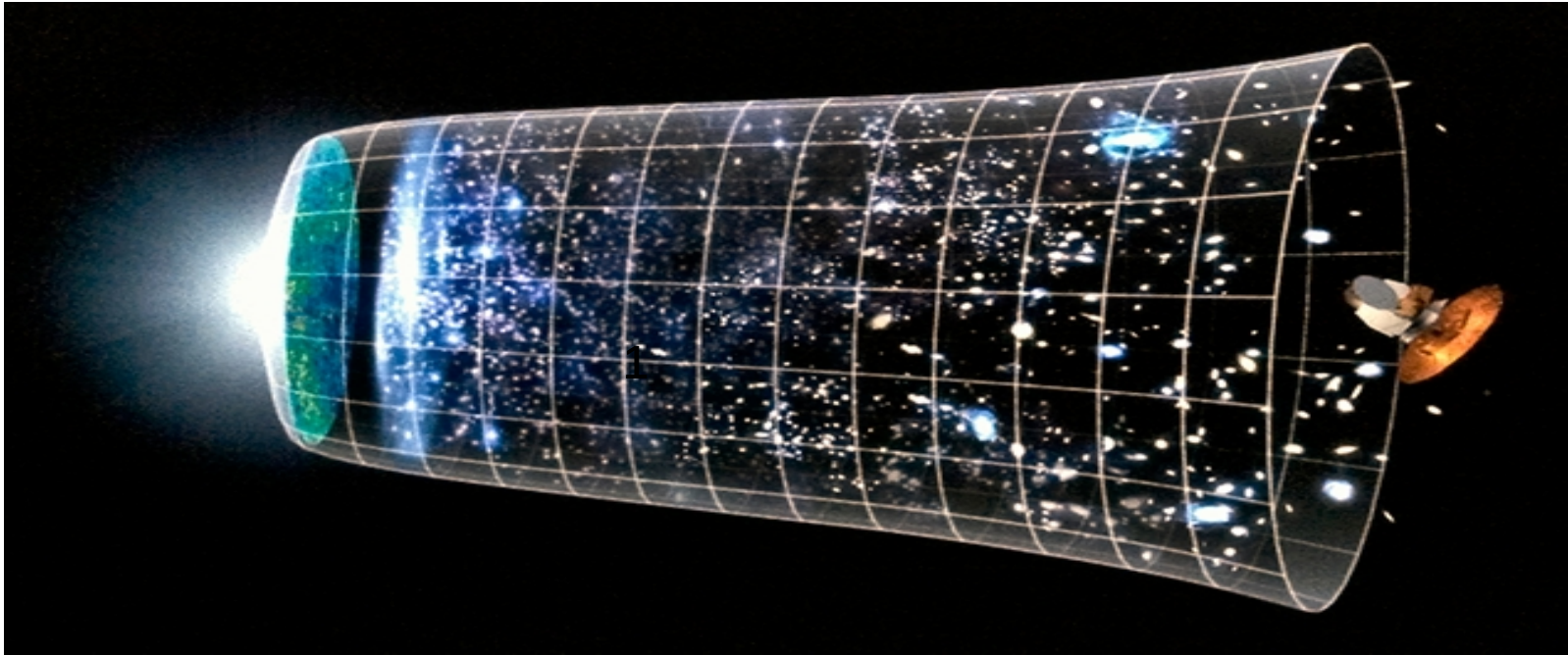


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**ROLLO Rocco**

# “Student presentation”



**PhD Student:** Rollo Rocco,  
**Supervisors:** Luigi Pilo and Sabino Matarrese

# Research outline: “Simply Inflation”

- The role of the Weinberg Theorem (WT) in Cosmology,
- Single Field Inflation: WT validity
  - “ $\Delta N$  formalism and conserved currents in Cosmology ”  
(Matarrese, Pilo, Rollo)
- EFT Inflation: WT violation
  - “Adiabatic media Inflation” (Celoria, Comelli, Pilo, Rollo)

**SANKAR    Aparna**

# GGI Lectures on the Theory of Fundamental Interactions 2020

Aparna Sankar

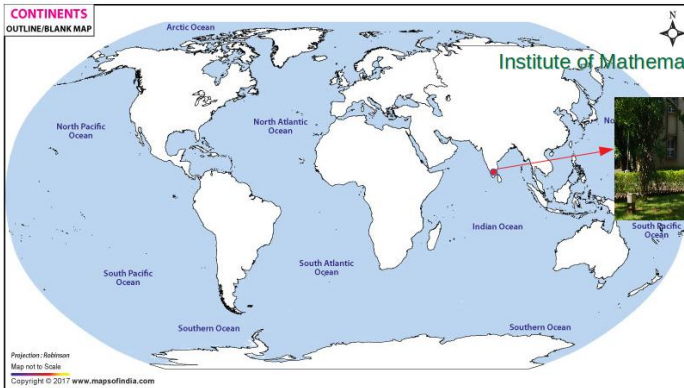
The Institute of Mathematical Sciences  
Chennai, India



Supervisor : Prof. V. Ravindran

January 9 , 2020

**CONTINENTS**  
OUTLINE/BLANK MAP



Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Chennai



- Perturbative QCD
- Higgs Physics
- Multileg and Multiloop computations
- Investigating the IR structure of QCD amplitudes
- Soft gluon resummation

**SCHIEWALDT    Beatriz**



Supervisors

Raul Abramo

Antonio Montero-Dorta

Beatriz Tucci  
Schiewaldt

University of São Paulo

# Research



## Halo Assembly Bias

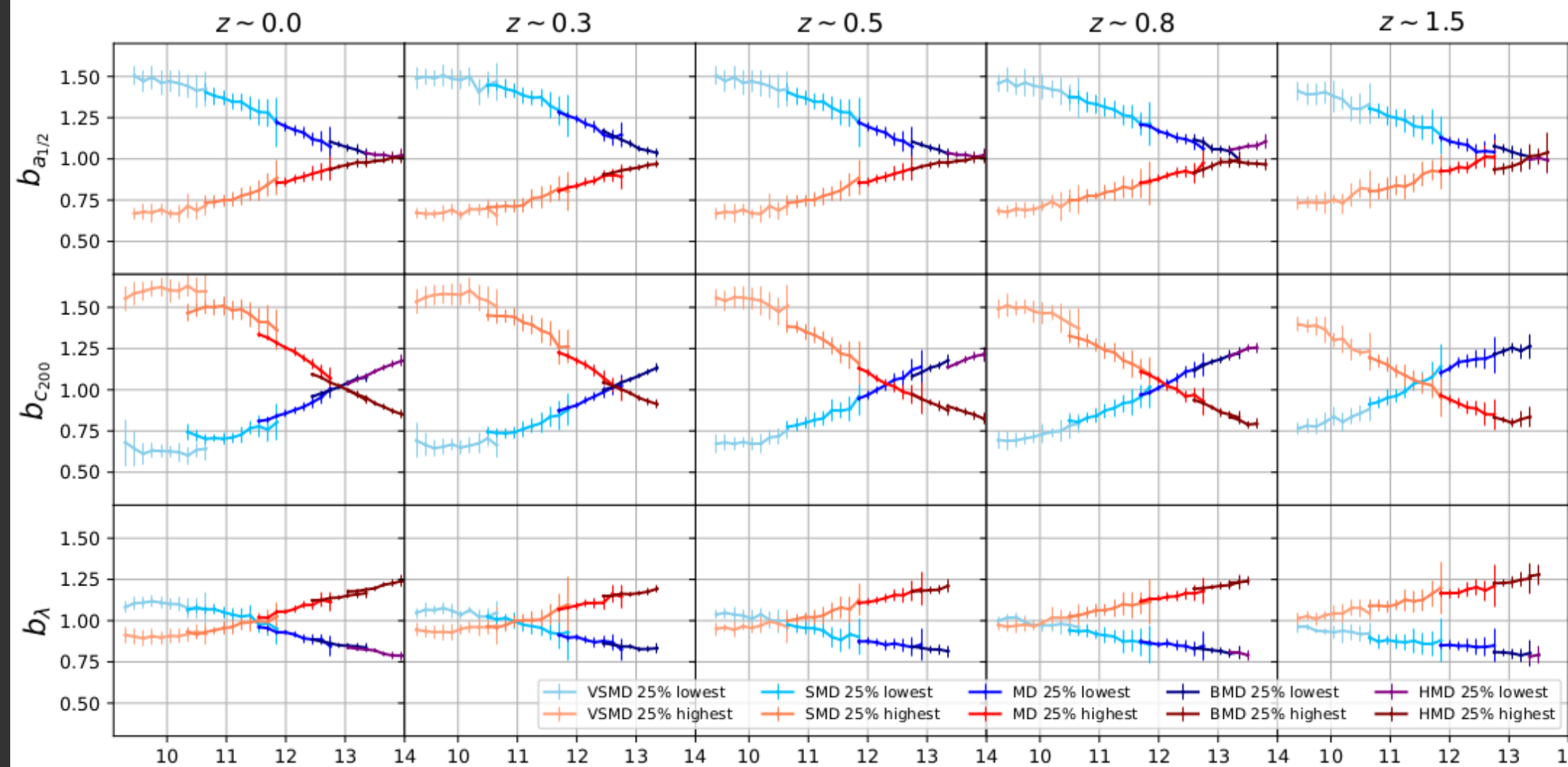
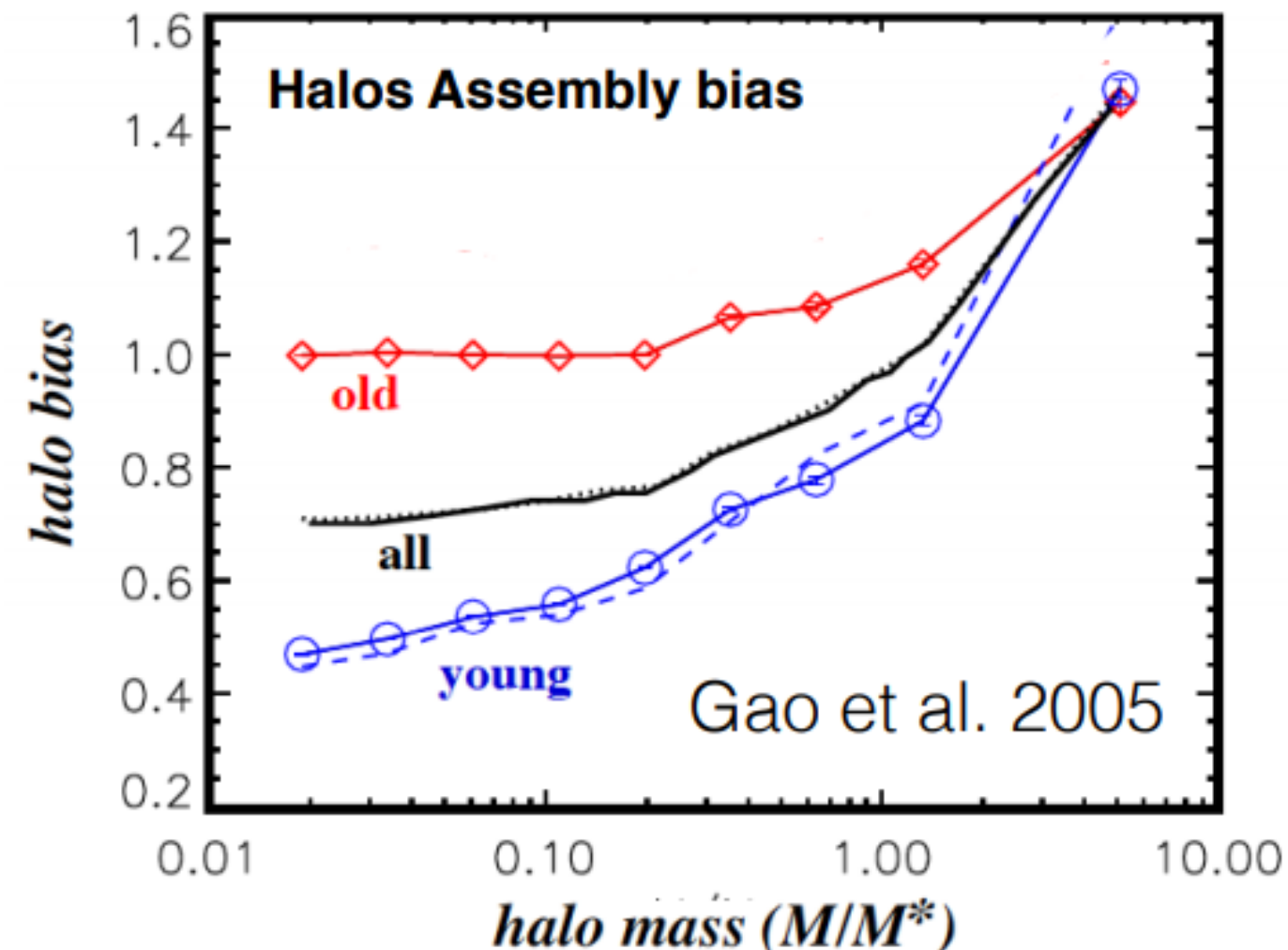
How secondary properties of Dark Matter Halos affect their distribution?

## MultiDark

Evolution of Secondary Bias  
Spin, Concentration and Age

## Spin Bias Origin?

Derive spin bias from the  
initial anisotropic conditions



**SCHREIBER    Anders**

# Cluster Adjacency in $\mathcal{N} = 4$ Super Yang-Mills Theory

Anders Øhrberg Schreiber

Brown University  
Supervisor: Anastasia Volovich

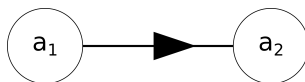


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# Cluster Algebra

- What is a cluster algebra?  $A_2$  cluster algebra [Fomin, Zelevinsky, 2002]



$$b_{ij} = (\# \text{ arrows } i \rightarrow j) - (\# \text{ arrows } j \rightarrow i) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Mutation rule  $a_k a'_k = \prod_{i|b_{ik}>0} a_i^{b_{ik}} + \prod_{i|b_{ik}<0} a_i^{-b_{ik}}$  and flip all arrows connected to the node you're mutating, e.g.

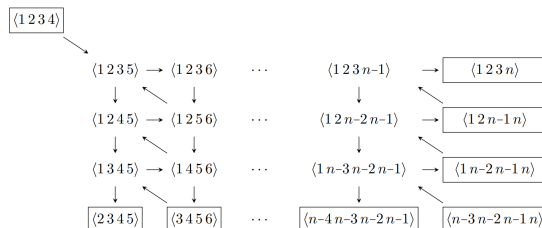
$$a_3 \equiv a'_1 = \frac{1}{a_1} [a_1^0 a_2^0 + a_1^0 a_2^1] = \frac{1 + a_2}{a_1}$$

- All cluster coordinates

$$a_1, a_2, a_3 = \frac{1 + a_2}{a_1}, a_4 = \frac{1 + a_1 + a_2}{a_1 a_2}, a_5 = \frac{1 + a_1}{a_2}.$$

# Cluster Adjacency

- We are interested in properties of scattering amplitudes and how to compute them efficiently.
- SYM has lots of symmetries, in particular dual conformal symmetry:  $p_i = x_{i+1} - x_i$ .
- Recast kinematics in momentum twistor space,  $Z_a^I \in \mathbb{P}^4$  ( $I = 1, \dots, 4$  and  $a = 1, \dots, n$ ). Mandelstam invariants  $\propto \det Z_a^{I_a} Z_b^{I_b} Z_c^{I_c} Z_d^{I_d} = \langle a b c d \rangle$ .



- How momentum twistors appear in the amplitude  $\Leftrightarrow$  how momentum twistors appear together in the clusters [Golden, Spradlin, Vergu, Volovich, 2013], [Drummond, Foster, Gurdogan, 2017].

**SELLER**

**Károly**

# Károly Seller

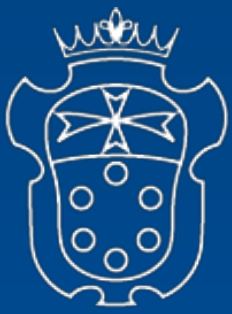
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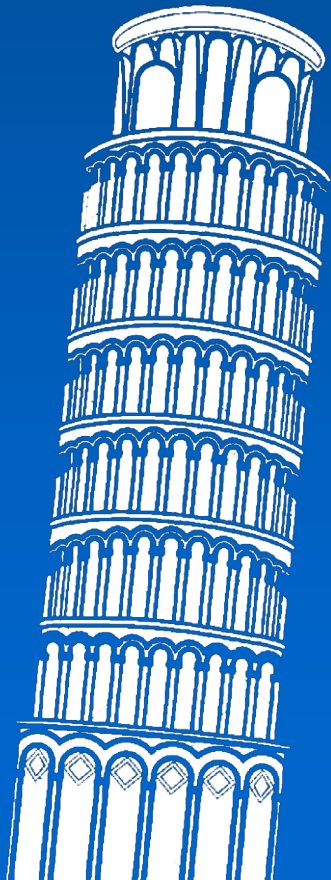
# Research interests

- **Main interests:** Cosmology and particle physics
- **PhD thesis:** Cosmological constraints on a  $U(1)$  extension of the standard model
  - Dark matter
  - Effects of the new  $U(1)$  on cosmological evolution
- **Supervisor:** Zoltán Trócsányi
- **Masters thesis:** Functional renormalization group treatment of nuclear matter inside neutron stars, supervisor Zsolt Szép

**SERRA Francesco**



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# Francesco Serra

## Advisor: Enrico Trincherini

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Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare

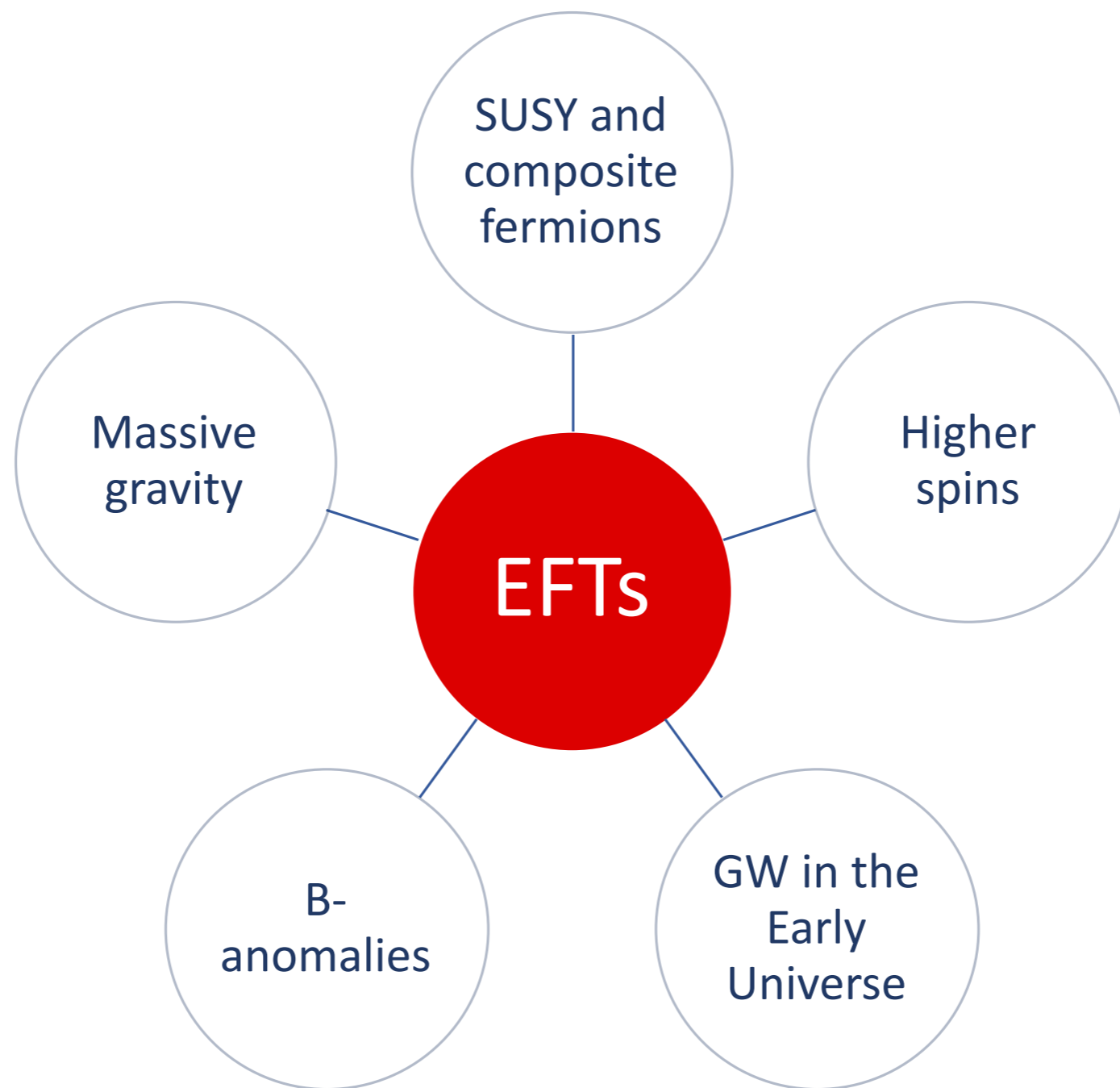
### Research:

- Black holes;
- Scalar hair;
- Massive vector hair;

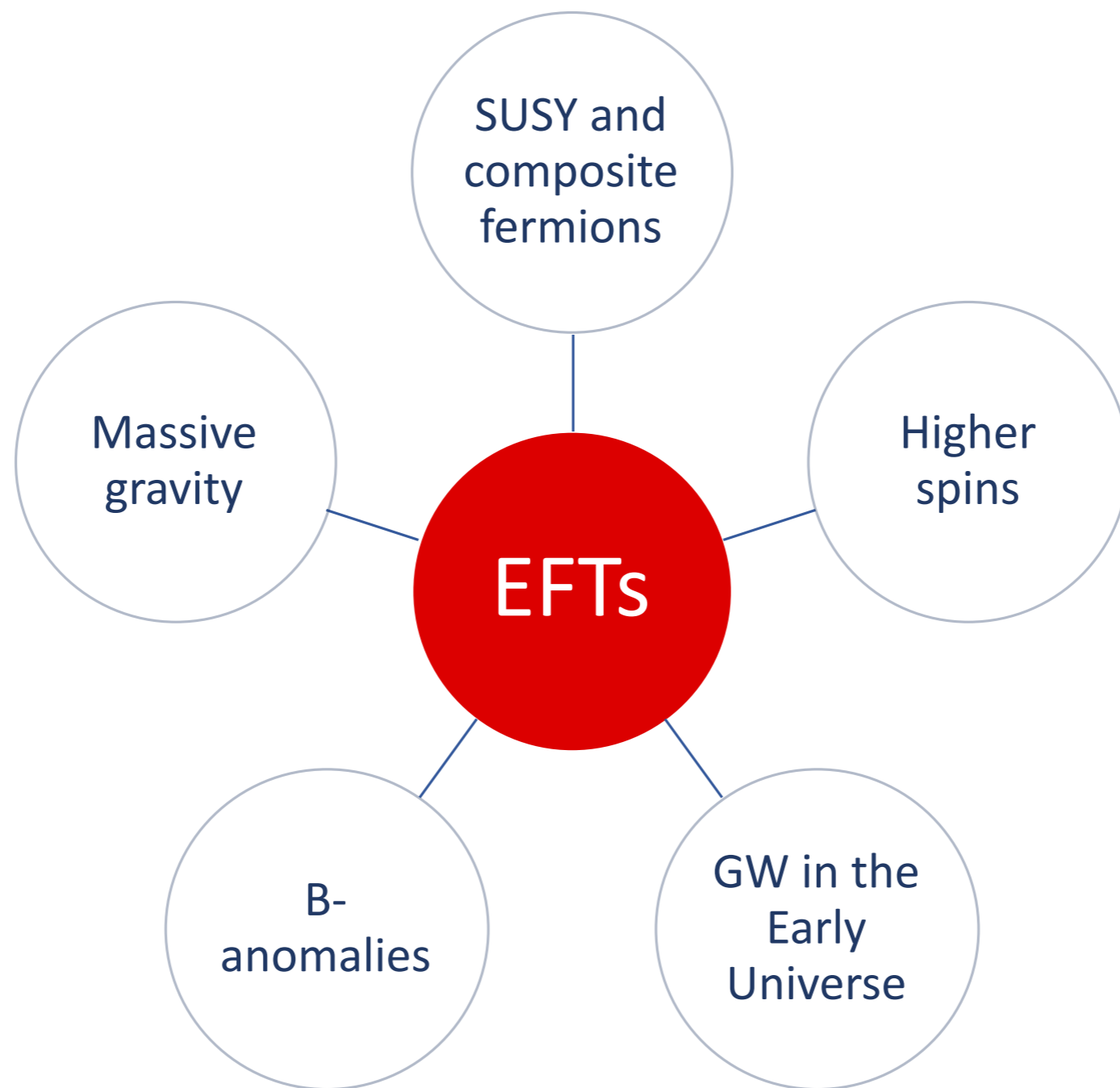
### Other interests:

- Gravitational waves and BH mergers;
- Scattering amplitudes;
- Dark energy;

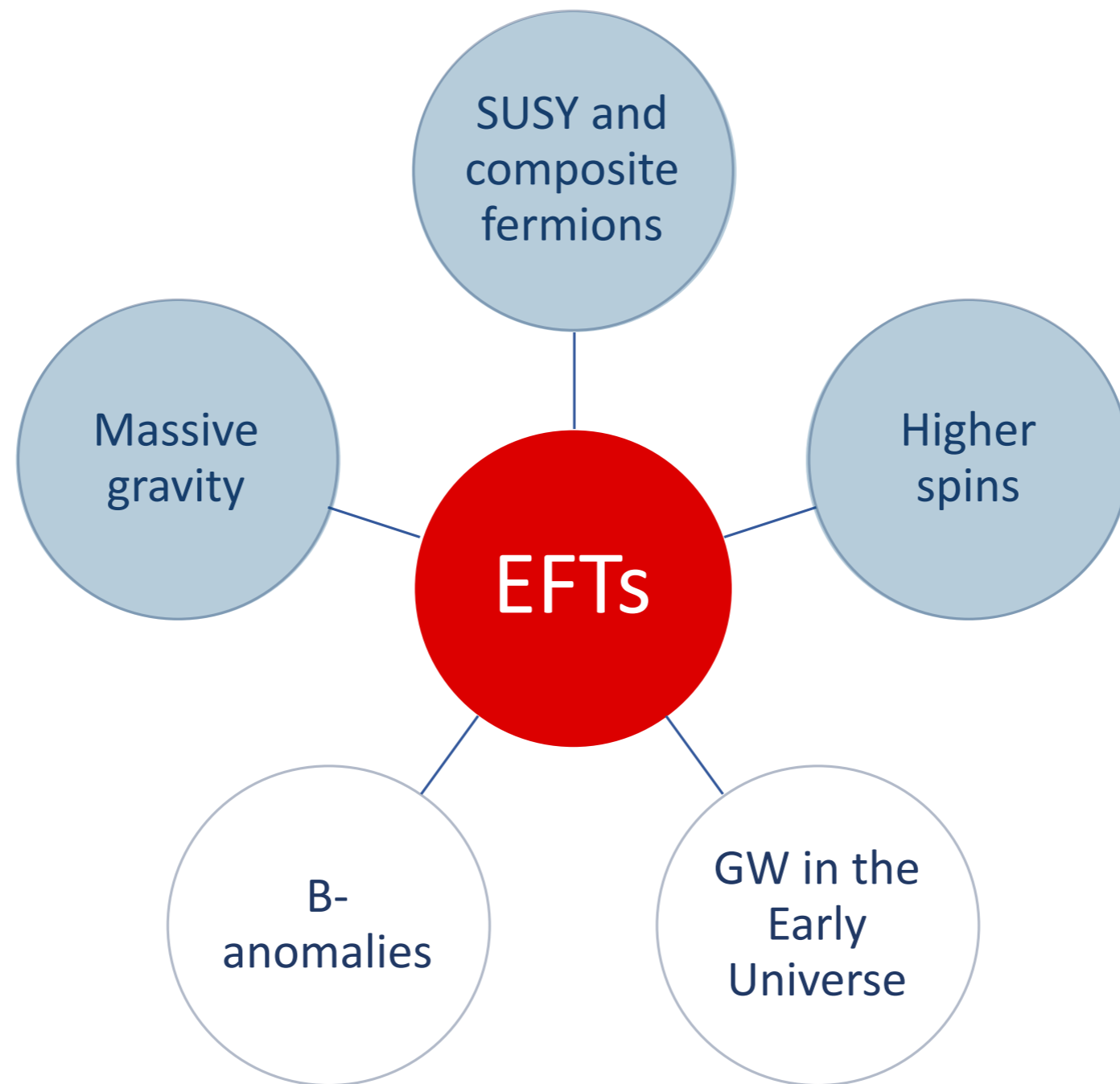
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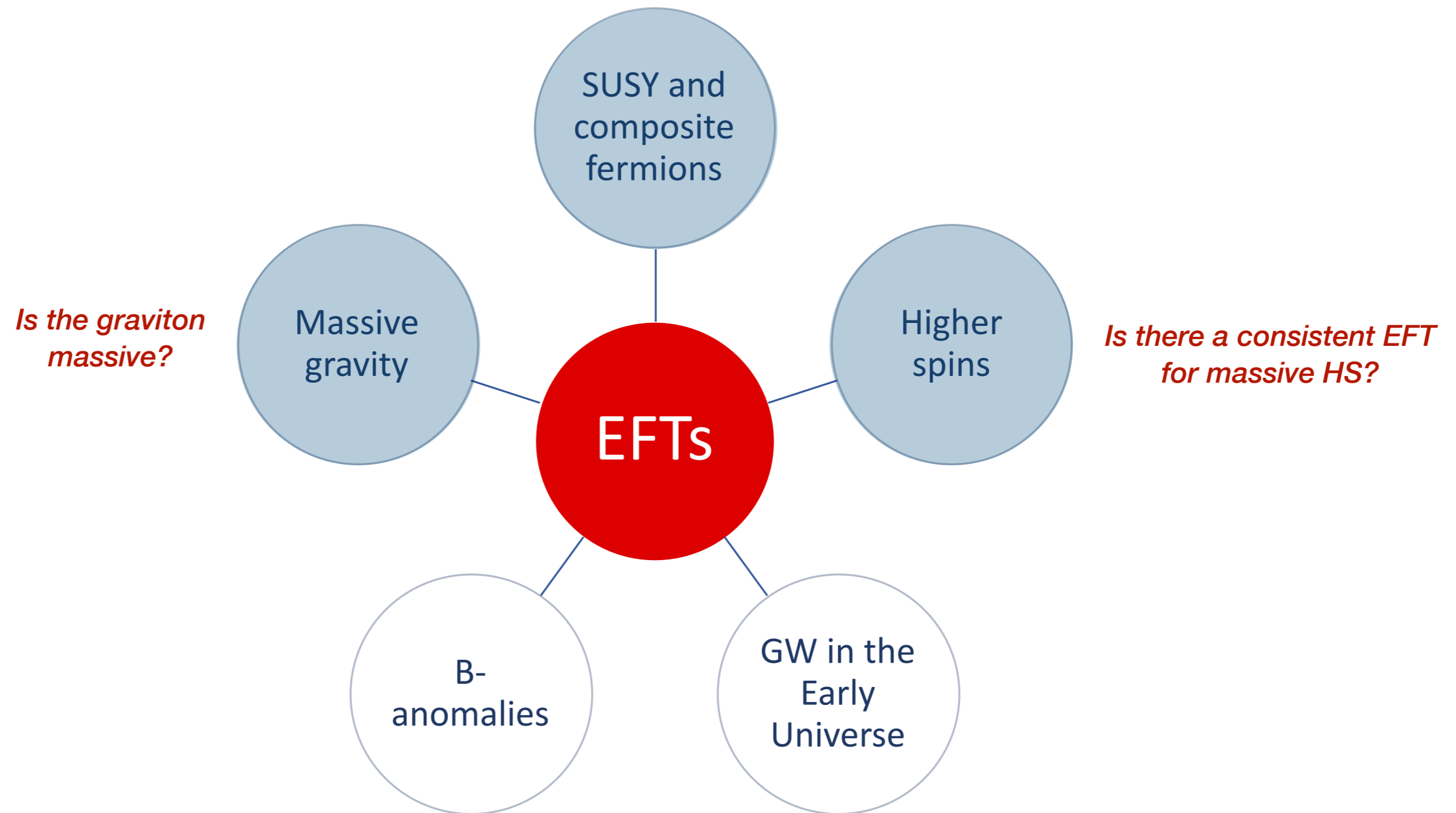


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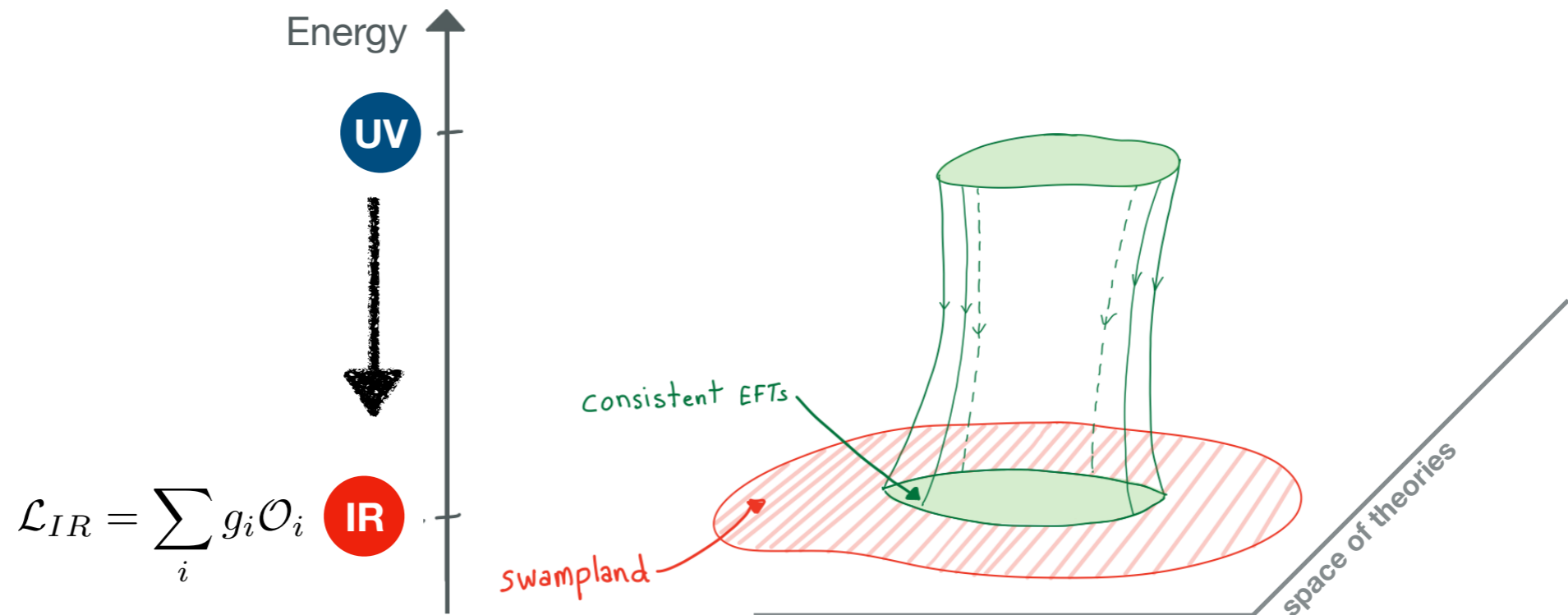
**Advisors:** Aleksandr Azatov (SISSA), Brando Bellazzini (IPhT, Saclay)

*Are the SM particles arising  
from SUSY breaking?*



**Advisors:** Aleksandr Azatov (SISSA), Brando Bellazzini (IPhT, Saclay)

# EFT Swampland Program



Fundamental properties of UV theory  
(causality, unitarity, symmetries, analyticity of S-matrix...)



Criteria to identify boundary of consistent EFTs

Conditions on scattering amplitudes



**Positivity bounds on Wilson Coefficients**

$$\mathcal{A}''(s) > 0$$

Some implications : no massive gravity, no EFTs for single HS, gravity is the weakest force....

**SHARMA   Punit**

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**Name**

- **Punit Sharma**

**From**

- **New Delhi, India**

**Pursuing**

- **Snooker, Badminton,  
... etc and Ph.D. too**

**Affiliation**

- **IIT Kanpur, India**

**Supervisor**

- **Arjun Bagchi**

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## Broad Research Area

# ***“Tensionless String Theory”***

This can primarily be divided into two parts:

1. “Tensionless limit” of the usual Tensile String Theories.
2. “Fundamental” Tensionless Strings.

## Aspects that we are looking at :

- Building up an operator pictures for tensionless strings (Both Bosonic and Superstrings).
- Finding out symmetry structures in these regimes.
- Construction of physical spectrum and finding out the “Critical Dimensions” for Lorentz Invariant theories.
- A long term goal is to develop the “Path Integral Quantization” of these strings and finding scattering amplitudes.

**SILVETTI    Federico**

# Federico Silvetti

**Institution:** Sapienza Università di Roma

**Position:** Phd student, first year

**PhD supervisor:** Marco Bonvini

**Contact email:** federico.silvetti@uniroma1.it

**Degree:** Master's degree in Physics at the same university  
completed on 25/10/2019

**Thesis title:** All-order resummation of high-energy logarithms in the production of a heavy-flavor quark pair at the LHC

**Thesis supervisors:** Marco Bonvini and Roberto Bonciani

**Brief overview:**

**Parton-level cross sections** at hadron colliders are computed **perturbatively** and depend on the dimensionless  $x = \frac{Q^2}{s}$ . **Radiative corrections** generate a **single logarithm enhancement**



## Brief overview:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\sigma} = & \alpha_s \ln(x) b_{11} + \alpha_s b_{10} \\
 & + \alpha_s^2 \ln^2(x) b_{22} + \alpha_s^2 \ln(x) b_{21} + \alpha_s^2 b_{20} \\
 & + \alpha_s^3 \ln^3(x) b_{33} + \alpha_s^3 \ln^2(x) b_{32} + \alpha_s^3 \ln(x) b_{31} + \alpha_s^3 b_{30} \\
 & \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \qquad \ddots \\
 & \text{(LL)} \qquad \qquad \text{(NLL)} \qquad \qquad \text{(NNLL)} \qquad \qquad \dots
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $x \ll 1 \rightarrow \alpha_s \ln(x) = \mathcal{O}(1)$ , fixed order pert. theory breaks down and a resummation of these logarithms is required to **all orders in  $\alpha_s$**

## Foreseen developments:

- Finalize the study of small- $x$  resummation in heavy quark hadroproduction started in my thesis
- PDF determination with resummed input using from LHCb data for heavy meson production in the small- $x$  region
- Extension of small- $x$  resummation formalism to NLL accuracy

**SJÖ     Mattias**

# Who am I?

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Who am I?

What do I do?

- Mattias Sjö, 1st year PhD student
- Lund University, Sweden (born and raised)



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# What do I do?

Who am I?

What do I do?

- ...not quite sure yet — still discussing with supervisor

Johan (Hans) Bijmans  
AKA “mr. Two-loop”



- Effective field theories (with Karol Kampf)
  - Master's thesis
  - Paper: 1909.13684, also in JHEP
- High-precision Low-energy SM Phenomenology
  - Hadronic contributions to muon  $g - 2$ ?
  - Kaon decays?
  - CP breaking?



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**STEGEMAN Roy**

**TANTARY    UBAID HUSSAIN**

# Ubaid H Tantary

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Year PhD student.
- Institution - Centre for Nuclear Research, Ohio USA.
- PhD Advisor – Prof. Michael Strickland.

# Current Research

- Thermodynamics of  $N=4$ ,  $d=4$  SUSY  $SU(N)$  Yang-Mills theory.
- Specifically, write down the perturbation expansion of the free energy of  $N = 4$  supersymmetric  $SU(N)$  Yang-Mills at finite temperature in powers of 't Hooft's coupling  $g^2N$  in the large  $N$  limit.
- **Goal:** perturbative calculation of the free-energy density of  $d = 4$ ,  $N = 4$  super Yang-Mills theory beyond  $O(\lambda^3)$ .
- **Weak Coupling Limit:** Using EFT techniques due to Agustin Nieto and Michel H.G. Tytgat (<https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-th/9906147>) and the Imaginary time formalism techniques due to Peter Arnold and Zhai (<http://arxiv.org/abs/hep-th/9408276>).
- **Strong coupling Limit:** In the strong 't Hooft coupling limit, the free-energy density is calculated using Ads/CFT correspondence. Super Yang-Mills theory at high temperature  $T$  is described, in large  $N$  and strong 't Hooft coupling limit, by a Schwarzschild  $AdS_5$  black hole.
- Does the interpolation of thermodynamics between weak and strong 't Hooft coupling regimes stay smooth, as suggested by Maldacena's AdS/CFT correspondence(?).

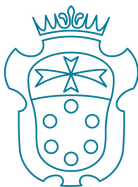
**Will be out Soon!**

# Past Research: Non-Equilibrium attractor

- We started with a question that can the concept of a non-equilibrium attractor be extended beyond the lowest-order moments typically considered in hydrodynamic treatments or in other words can the concept of a non-equilibrium attractor be extended beyond the 14 degrees of freedom described using the energy-momentum tensor, number density, and diffusion current?
- We showed that Yes We Can !!
- Using a previously known exact solution to the relaxation-time approximation Boltzmann equation for a transversally homogeneous and boost-invariant system subject to Bjorken flow. Using numerical solutions, we showed that, similar to the pressure anisotropy, all moments of the distribution function exhibit attractor-like behavior wherein all initial conditions converge to a universal solution after a short time (<http://arxiv.org/abs/arXiv:1903.03145>) and (<http://arxiv.org/abs/arXiv:1809.01200>).
- Can this be extended to QCD (work in progress)?

**TOMASELLI      Giovanni Maria**

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# Giovanni Maria Tomaselli

Master student in Theoretical Physics, 5th year

Master thesis supervisor: Enrico Trincherini

## My greatest interest: gravity

- Black holes
  - theory: mathematical results, higher dimensions, semiclassical aspects, ...
  - phenomenology: QNMs, gravitational waves.
- Cosmology: mostly Inflation and Dark Energy.

## Master thesis

Hairy black holes: any detectable effect? QNMs and stability issues.

- Scalar-tensor gravity.
- Hair by infalling matter.

**TRIFYLLIS Lampros**

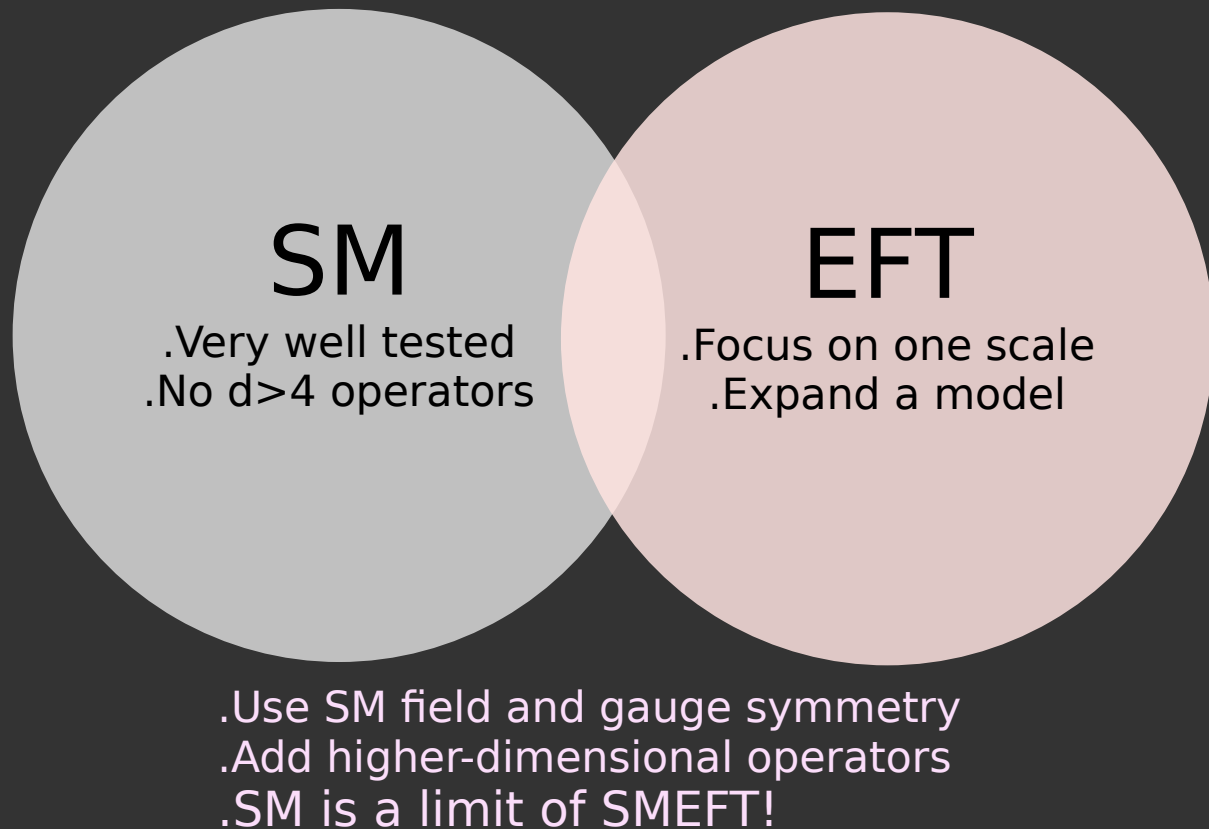


# Lampros Trifyllis

PhD student  
University of Ioannina, Greece

Supervisor: Prof. Athanasios Dedes

# The SM as an EFT



## Publications

$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  [arXiv:1805.00302]

$h \rightarrow Z\gamma$  [arXiv:1903.12046]

smeftFR [arXiv:1904.03204]

## Collaborators

Athanasios Dedes [Ioannina U.]

Michael Paraksevas [Warsaw U.]

Janusz Rosiek [Warsaw U.]

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# GGI conference

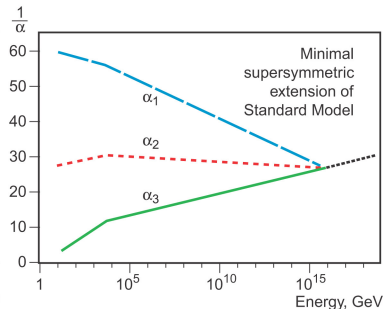
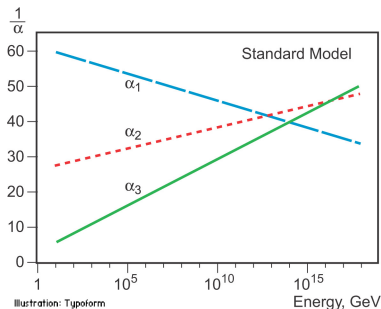
## Phase transitions in early universe

Vanvlasselaer Miguel

Sissa : Astroparticles department

18 january 2019

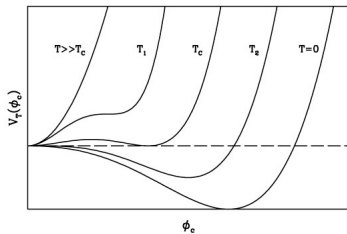
# Coupling constants running and phase transitions



- Electromagnetism : very slow increase
- Weak : symmetry breaking around 100 GeV. symmetric  $U(1)$  phase and symmetric phase  $SU(2) \times U(1)$
- Strong : Decrease.  $T < 100$  MeV : confined phase, protons, neutrons ...  $T > 100$  MeV : Quarks phase, quarks, higgs, leptons ...

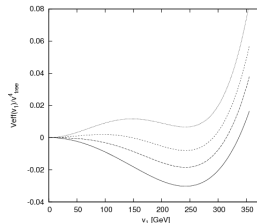
# Order of phase transition

Ginzburg-landau classification for phase transitions :



**Figure – Potential first order phase transition**

- Barrier in potential
- Supercooling, delayed transition  $\Rightarrow$  discontinuous
- Transition via bubble nucleation



**Figure – Potential second order phase transition**

- No barrier in potential
- No supercooling  $\Rightarrow$  smooth

**VITTI    Marco**

# GGI Lectures on the Theory of Fundamental Interactions 2020

Marco Vitti

Roma Tre University – INFN, Roma Tre



Supervisor: Prof. Giuseppe Degrassi

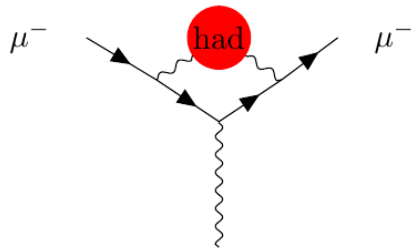
Precision calculations within the EW sector of the Standard Model



# Research

- **Master (Padova):**

HLO contribution to the muon g-2



- **PhD:**

Higgs boson properties in the SM

Trilinear self-coupling

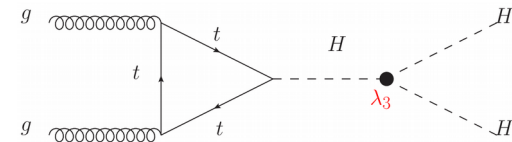
$$V(H) = \frac{m_H^2}{2}H^2 + \boxed{\lambda_3}H^3 + \lambda_4H^4$$

MUonE Experiment

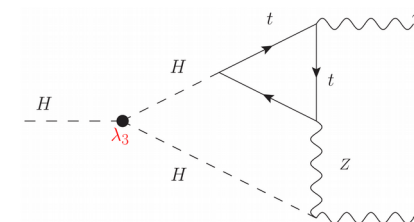


Hadronic contributions to muon-electron scattering cross section

Production



Decay



**WANG Jin-Wei**

**Basic Info:** Jin-Wei Wang (王金伟);

PhD student at Institute of High Energy Physics (IHEP), Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS);

Supervisor: Prof. Xiao-Jun Bi



- ✓ Visiting PhD student at University of Pisa and working with Prof. Alessandro Strumia

**Hobbies:** Novels, Music, Badminton, Climb mountains.

## Research Fields:

- Phenomenology of BSM, in particular, the phenomenology of DM and TeV physics at colliders; [arXiv:1711.05622](#)

Direct production at hardron colliders and loop effects at lepton colliders.

- The effects of NP models on the Higgs vacuum stability; [arXiv:1811.08743](#)

Two-loop RGEs and one-loop matching.

- Gauge group dynamics; [arXiv:1911.04502](#)

one gauge group (SU, SO or Sp) and one scalar in a two-index representation, and studied the gauge group dynamics and the properties of DM candidates for each case.