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Bachelor- / Projekt- / Masterarbeiten aus Fundamentale Wechselwirkungen

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Projektarbeit:

- Black Hole Physics (136.025)
- Symmetrien in den fundamentalen Wechselwirkungen (135.026)
- Teilchenphysik (135.027)
- Thermal Field Theory (136.023)

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Bachelor- / Projektarbeit

- Wissenschaftliches Arbeiten
 - Einlesen in bestehende Literatur (~1 paper + Referenzen)
 - Darauf aufbauend eigenständige Arbeit
 - Gesamtaufwand: 6-8 Wochen Vollzeitäquivalent
- Bachelorarbeit
 - Umfang: 20-50 Seiten
 - Gesetzt in TeX, LyX
 - Richtig zitieren (kein Plagiat!)

Fundamentale Wechselwirkungen

- **Gravitation** (→ Schwarze Löcher, Kosmologie)
- **Elektromagnetische Kraft** (→ QED Plasma)
- **Schwache Kernkraft**
- **Starke Kernkraft** (→ Neutronensterne, Quark Gluon Plasma)

Vereinheitlichte Beschreibung:

- Stringtheorie
- AdS/CFT-Korrespondenz

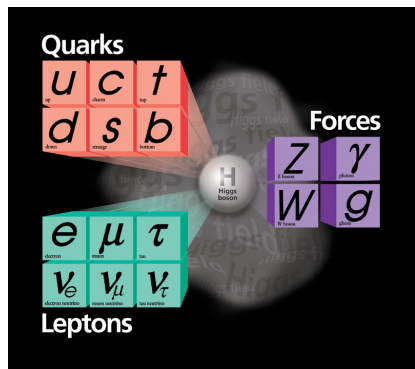
PrA Teilchenphysik

PrA Thermische Feldtheorie

Anton REBHAN

Institut für Theoretische Physik

Standardmodell der Teilchenphysik



Alle bekannten Elementarteilchen (hunderte!) aus diesen aufgebaut Theoretische Beschreibung durch **Quantenfeldtheorie** (nicht-Abelsche Eichtheorien)

Bspe. für PrA:

- Asymptotic Freedom analysed in Coulomb gauge
- Polarization effects in light-by-light scattering (BA mit wiss. Veröffentlichung)
- nonlinear (Born-Infeld) electrodynamics

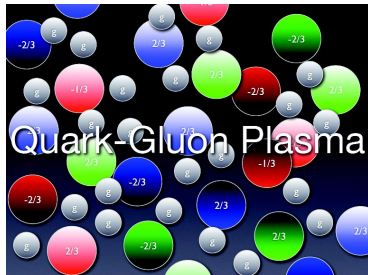
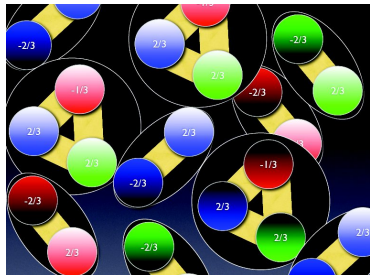
Quark-Gluon-Plasma



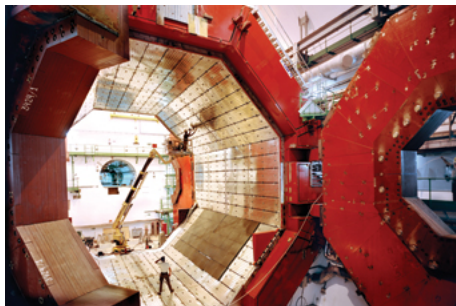
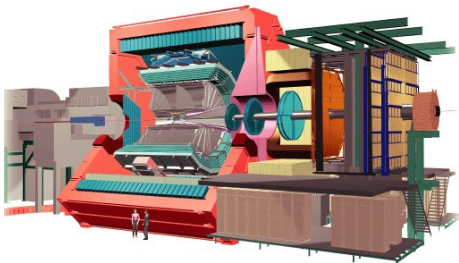
Confinement \Rightarrow

Hadronen (Bindungszustände von Quarks) können nicht "ionisiert" werden!

Aber bei ultrarelativistischen Temperaturen ($T_c \approx 2 \cdot 10^9$ K) steigt die Dichte ($\propto T^3$) so, dass Quarks nicht mehr wissen, an wen sie gebunden sind \rightarrow **Deconfinement**



Am LHC des CERN: **A** Large **I**on **C**ollider **E**xperiment (zusätzlich zu CMS und ATLAS)

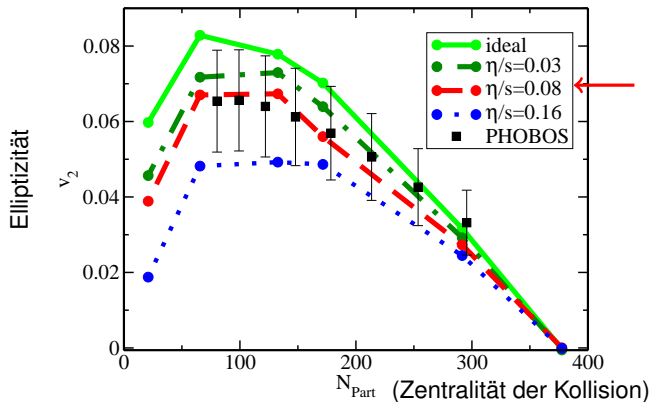


Pb+Pb mit 5.5 TeV/Nukleon

Hydrodynamische Simulationen

P. Romatschke & U. Romatschke, Phys.Rev.Lett.99:172301,2007:

Hydrodynamische Simulation mit verschiedenen Werten von spezifischer Viskosität η/s :

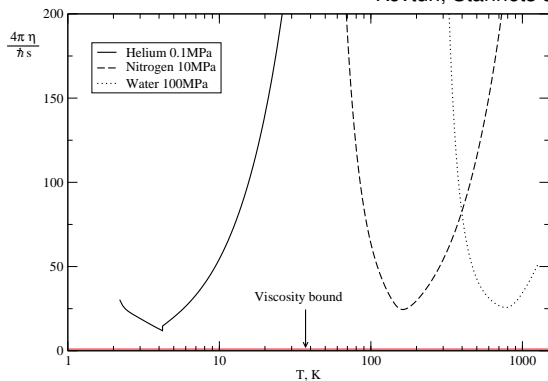


Perfektste Flüssigkeit?

Spezifische Viskosität des QGP liegt gerade bei (vermutetem) Minimalwert, der quantenfeldtheoretisch möglich ist

$$\eta/s\hbar \geq \frac{1}{4\pi} \approx 0.08$$

Kovtun, Starinets & Son (2005), Phys.Rev.Lett.94:111601



Superstring-Verbindung

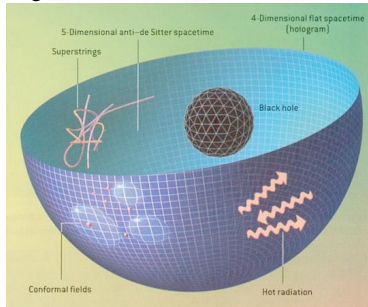
Hypothetischer Minimalwert für spezifische Viskosität

$$\eta/s\hbar = \frac{1}{4\pi} \approx 0.08$$

realisiert in einer besonders symmetrischen Variante der Quark-Gluon-Theorie bei unendlich starker Kopplung

(maximal supersymmetrisch, im Limes unendlich vieler Farbladungen)

Ergebnis basiert auf Maldacena-Vermutung der **Superstring-Theorie**



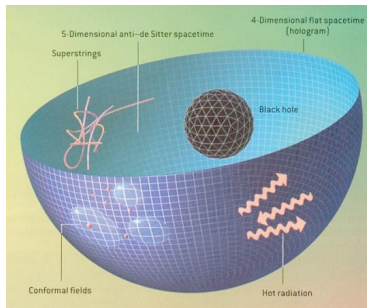
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- neuerdings auch Festkörperphysik (quantum criticality) und kalte Atome

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Themen:

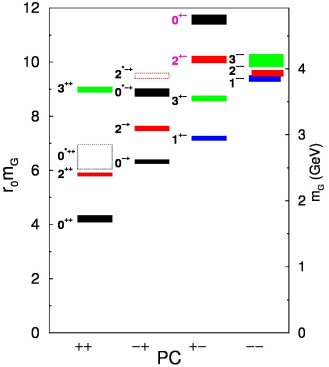
- Aspekte von Gravitations-dualen (“top-down”) Modellen
- phänomenologische “bottom-up” Modelle
- Gravitations-duale Beschreibung von Hadronphysik, e.g. Glueballs

Glueballs

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Bindungszustände von Gluonen
und deren Massen vorher
– aber leider nicht die Zerfallsmuster

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- ...

Morningstar & Peardon hep-lat/9901004



Dissertationsprojekt (Frederic Brünner):
Gauge/gravity duality → Zerfallsmuster von Spin 0 und Spin 2-Glueballs



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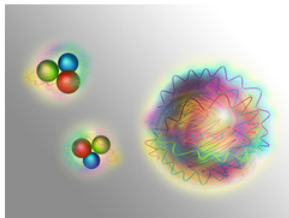
CONTACT/SEARCH

Los

2015-10-12 [Florian Aigner | Florian Aigner]

A Particle Purely Made of Nuclear Force

Scientists at TU Wien (Vienna) have calculated that the meson $f_0(1710)$ could be composed of pure force.



Nucleons consist (left) of quarks (matter particles) and gluons (force particles). A glueball (right) is made up purely of gluons.

For decades, scientists have been looking for glueball is an exotic particle, made up entirely of gluons. Glueballs are unstable and can only be detected through their decay products. They are not yet fully understood.

Professor Anton Rebhan and Frederic Brünr to calculate glueball decay. Their results provide strong evidence that a resonance called $f_0(1710)$ is a sought-after glueball. Further experimental results are needed to confirm this.

Forces are Particles too

Protons and neutrons consist of even smaller particles: quarks and gluons. Gluons are strong nuclear force. "In particle physics, energy can be converted into matter and vice versa." (E=mc²)

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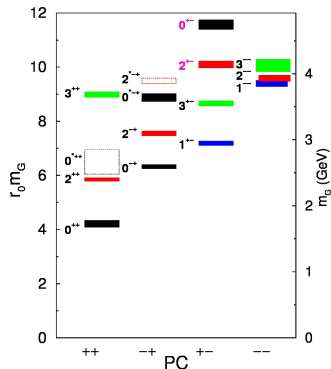
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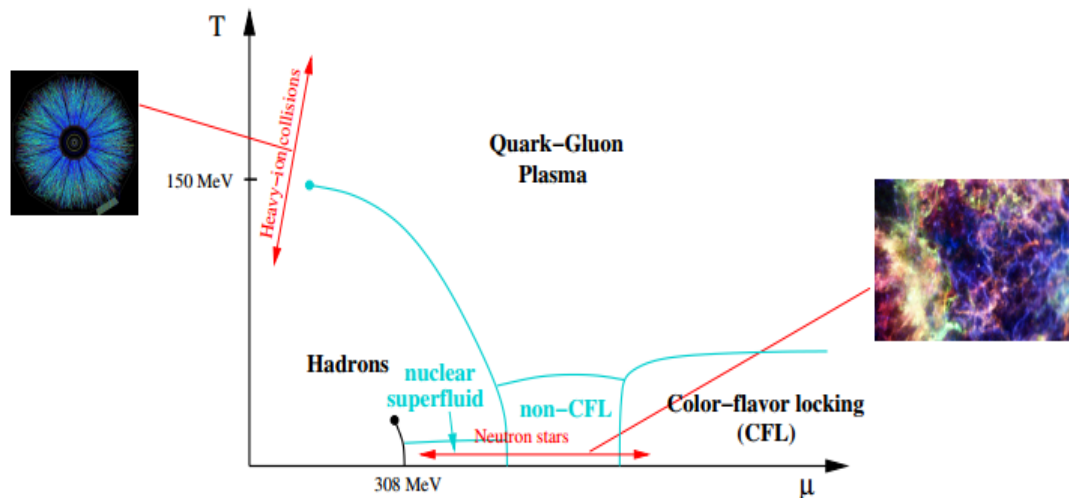


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laufende PrA-DA: Mitarbeit an Vorhersagen für Spin-1-Glueball

Dense Matter in Neutron Stars

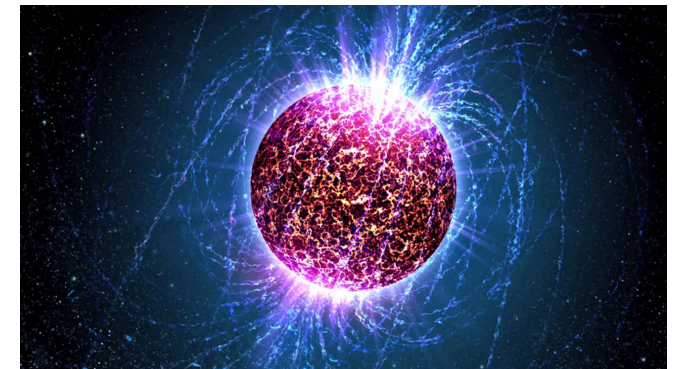
Rebhan, Stetina, Haber,
Schmitt (Southampton)



Neutron stars are an **unique laboratory for dense QCD**

In this project work you can learn about:

- Dense matter in neutron stars
- **Superfluidity** and **superconductivity** in neutron stars and field theory
- Basics of **thermal quantum field theory** (TQFT, bosonic + possibly fermionic)
- **Goldstone theorem** and abelian Higgs mechanism
- How to use Mathematica and Latex to perform and present your calculations



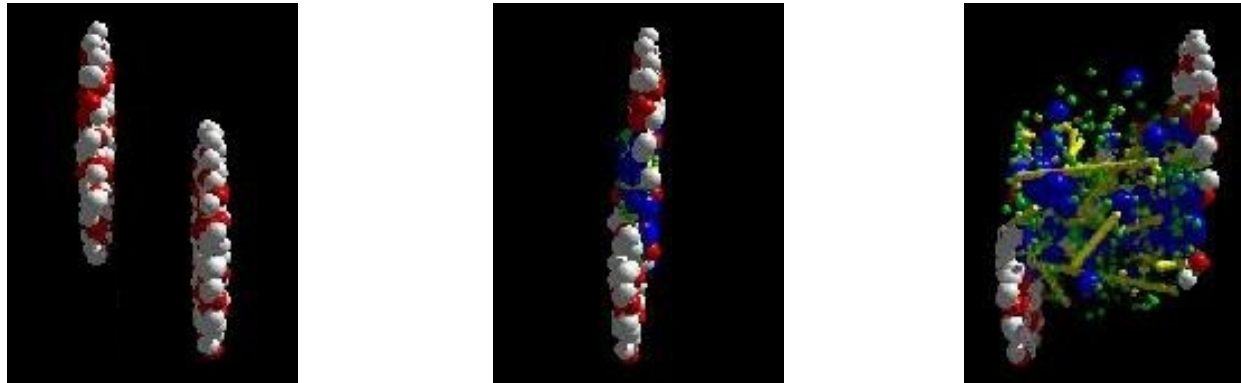
Knowledge of quantum mechanics and statistical physics is necessary, first knowledge of TQFT and Mathematica is beneficial, goal of project can be scaled to your prior knowledge.

Project supervised by Alexander Haber, Prof. Rebhan

if interested: contact alexander.haber@tuwien.ac.at or visit me at DB10A06

Quark-Gluon-Plasma

Schwerionenkollisionen am CERN LHC:



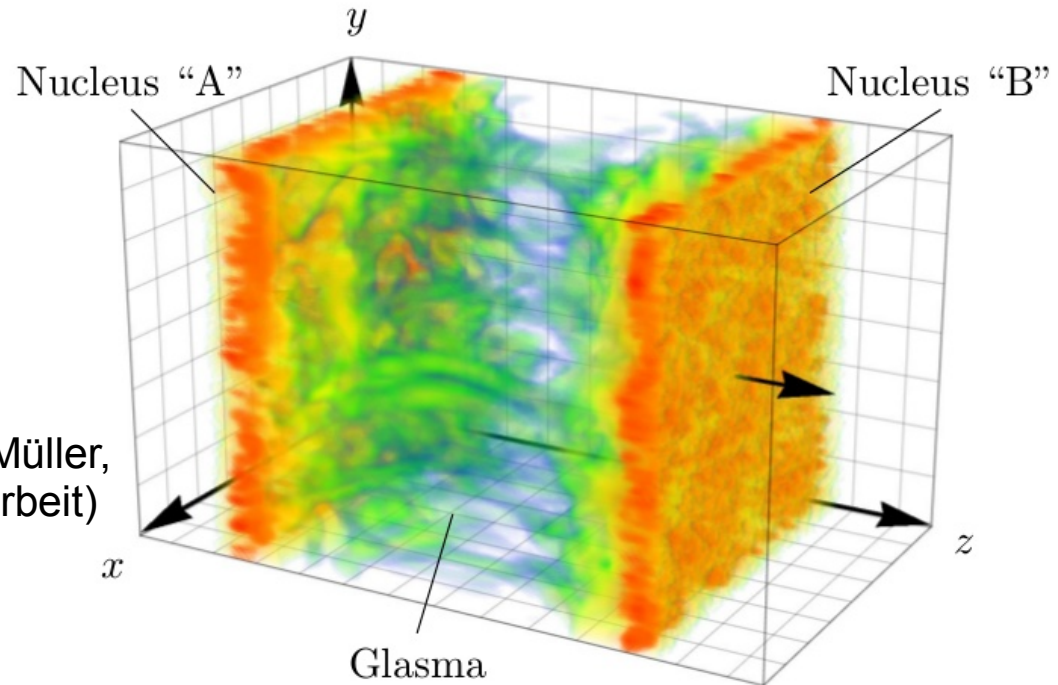
(Simulation by UrQMD group, Frankfurt)

Colored Particle-In-Cell
Simulation von "Glasma"

Effekte der starken
Wechselwirkung

(David Müller,
Doktorarbeit)

Andreas Ipp



Mögliche (Bachelor-) / Projekt- / Masterarbeiten

- Boltzmann-Gleichung, Hydrodynamik
(Gleichungen und Simulationen für alternative Beschreibungen des Plasmas)
- Optimierung und dispersionsfreie Propagation
(Cherenkov Instabilität, richtungsabhängige Dispersion)
- Gluonenverteilung aus dem Glasma
(Besetzungszahlen von Gluonen im MV-Modell bestimmen)
- Fermionen auf dem Gitter
(Fermionproduktion mittels male/female Fermionen)
- Quanteneffekte für Kerne mit endlicher Dicke
(JIMWLK Evolutionsgleichungen erweitern)

Voraussetzungen:

Quantentheorie, Relativitätstheorie,

(Quantenelektrodynamik, Quantenfeldtheorie, Quantenchromodynamik)

Programmieren,

Wille, sich in umfangreicheres Themengebiet einzuarbeiten

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PA Black Hole Physics (136.025)

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Gauge/gravity correspondence

Fundamental physics papers with > 8000 citations (source: INSPIRE, Oct. 23, 2017):

1. J. Maldacena 1998, “The Large N limit of superconformal field theories and supergravity” (13148 citations)
2. S. Weinberg 1967, “A Model of Leptons” (10890 c.; 1979 Nobel prize)
3. S. Perlmutter et al. & A. Riess et al. 1998, Accelerated expansion (~ 10300 c.; 2011 Nobel prize)
4. M. Kobayashi, T. Maskawa 1973, “CP Violation in the Renormalizable Theory of Weak Interaction” (9250 c.; 2008 Nobel prize)
5. T. Sjöstrand et al. 2006, PYTHIA Physics & Manual (8999 c.)
6. E. Witten 1998, “Anti-de Sitter space and holography” (8612 c.)
7. S. Agostinelli et al. 2003, GEANT4: A simulation toolkit (8345 c.)
8. WMAP collaboration 2003, First year observations (8272 c.)

Gravity in $d + 1$ dimensions \leftrightarrow Gauge theory in d dimensions

Selected holographic topics

Possible topics for bachelor theses:

- ▶ Soft hairy black holes
- ▶ Holographic entanglement entropy
- ▶ Quantum gravity in lower dimensions
- ▶ $\text{AdS}_3/\text{CFT}_2$
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Additional people you may consult if you have further questions:

- ▶ **Faculty:** Radoslav Rashkov
- ▶ **Postdocs:** Hernán González, Wout Merbis
- ▶ **PhDs:** Christian Ecker, Jakob Salzer, Friedrich Schöller, Philipp Stanzer, Raphaela Wutte
- ▶ **Visitors:** Daniel Fernandez

Specific examples

Paper-and-pencil type of projects:

- ▶ New entropy formulas for black holes

For specific black holes and cosmological spacetimes in 2+1 dimensions **1603.04824**, **1611.09783**:

$$S_{3d} = 2\pi J_0^{(1)} + \dots$$

For rotating black holes in 3+1 dimensions **1709.09667**:

$$S_{4d} = 4\pi J_0^{(1)} J_0^{(2)} + \dots$$

where $J_0^{(i)}$ are related to zero modes of “soft hair” $\hat{u}(1)$ current algebra generators

- ▶ How general are these formulas?
- ▶ (How) do they generalize to higher dimensions?
- ▶ What can we learn about black hole microstates?

Specific examples

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- ▶ Generalized holography

AdS/CFT appears to work well — but **how general is holography?**

In particular:

- ▶ Are there different versions of AdS/CFT? (see e.g. [1608.01308](#))
- ▶ Does holography work in flat space? (see e.g. [1609.06203](#))
- ▶ Does holography work in our Universe (de Sitter)?
- ▶ Does holography work in non- or ultra-relativistic limits?
- ▶ Do such generalizations work for spins higher than two? (see e.g. [1612.02277](#))

Can get lot of mileage from toy models in $1+1$ and $2+1$ spacetime dimensions!

Specific examples

Paper-and-pencil type of projects:

- ▶ New entropy formulas for black holes
- ▶ Generalized holography
- ▶ Quantum null energy condition

Classical energy conditions pivotal in various proofs by Hawking, Penrose and others (e.g. singularity theorems)

All of them violated through quantum effects!

Bousso et al conjectured Quantum Null Energy Condition (QNEC):

$$\langle T_{kk} \rangle \geq \frac{S''}{2\pi A}$$

see [1706.09432](#) for a proof and refs.

- ▶ Physical interpretation of (non-)saturation of QNEC?
- ▶ Explicit examples in lower dimensions?
- ▶ Limitations of proof/counterexamples?
e.g. valid in Galilean CFTs? (see [1410.4089](#))

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Neutron star merger simulations with Einstein toolkit:

- ▶ install and test Einstein toolkit
- ▶ redo existing merger simulations
- ▶ test and interpret simulations on VSC
- ▶ simulations for holographic equation of state

see e.g. [1509.08804](#), [1605.03424](#), [1611.01519](#), [1707.00521](#)

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- ▶ Strongly coupled matter on curved backgrounds (suggested by [CE](#))
 - ▶ Neutron stars: all fundamental interactions relevant!
 - ▶ Gravitational effects on equation of state?
 - ▶ Holographic model: strongly interacting CFT on curved background
 - ▶ Can have black hole in bulk and at boundary! (and “black funnel”)
 - ▶ Equation of state stiffer? (as indicated from recent observations)

see e.g. [0908.2270](#), [0909.0005](#), [1102.4337](#), [1208.6291](#),
[1304.1162](#), [1405.2078](#)

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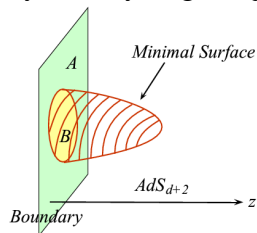
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- ▶ Holographic entanglement entropy (HEE)

Ryu–Takayanagi conjecture ([hep-th/0603001](#)):



$$S_{EE} = \frac{\text{Area}_{\min}}{4}$$

numerical determination of HEE
analyze HEE in systems with matter
see e.g. [1609.03676](#), [1708.09376](#)

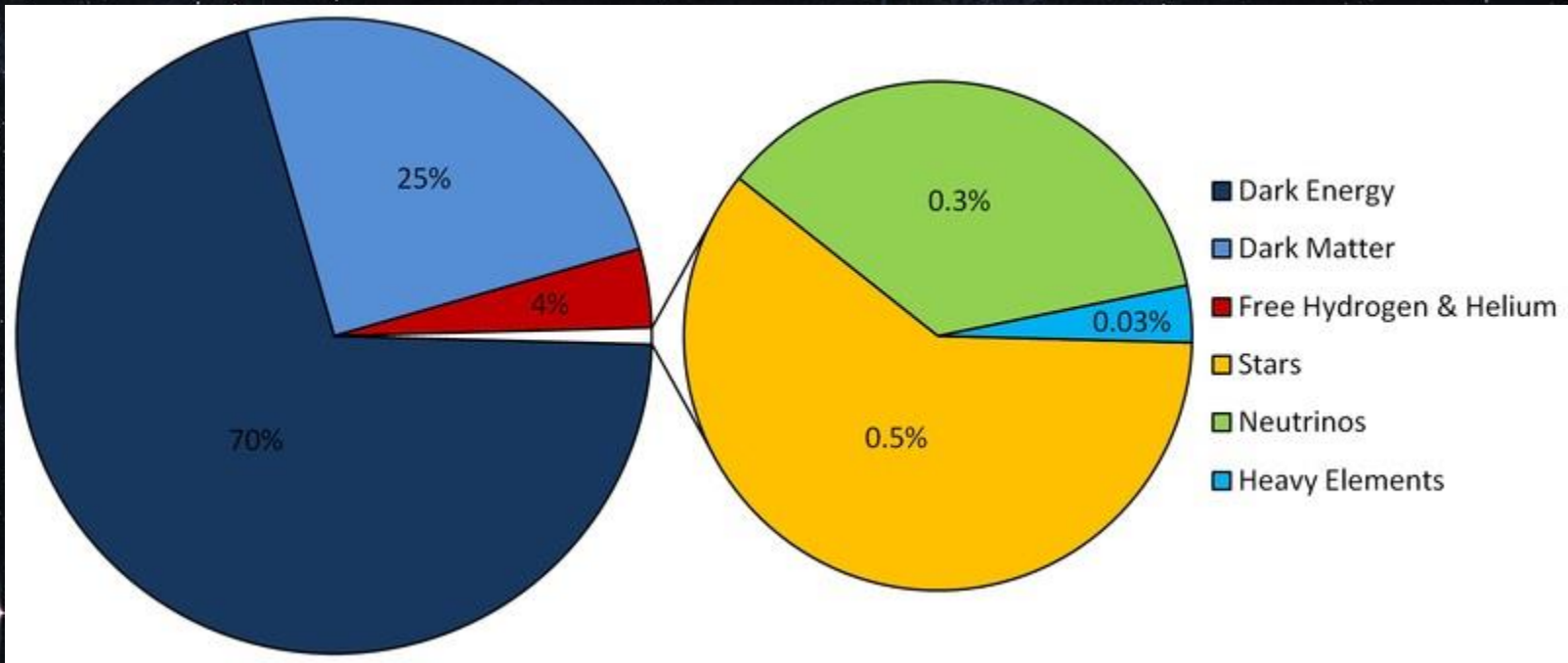
Projektarbeiten in Kosmologie und Stringtheorie

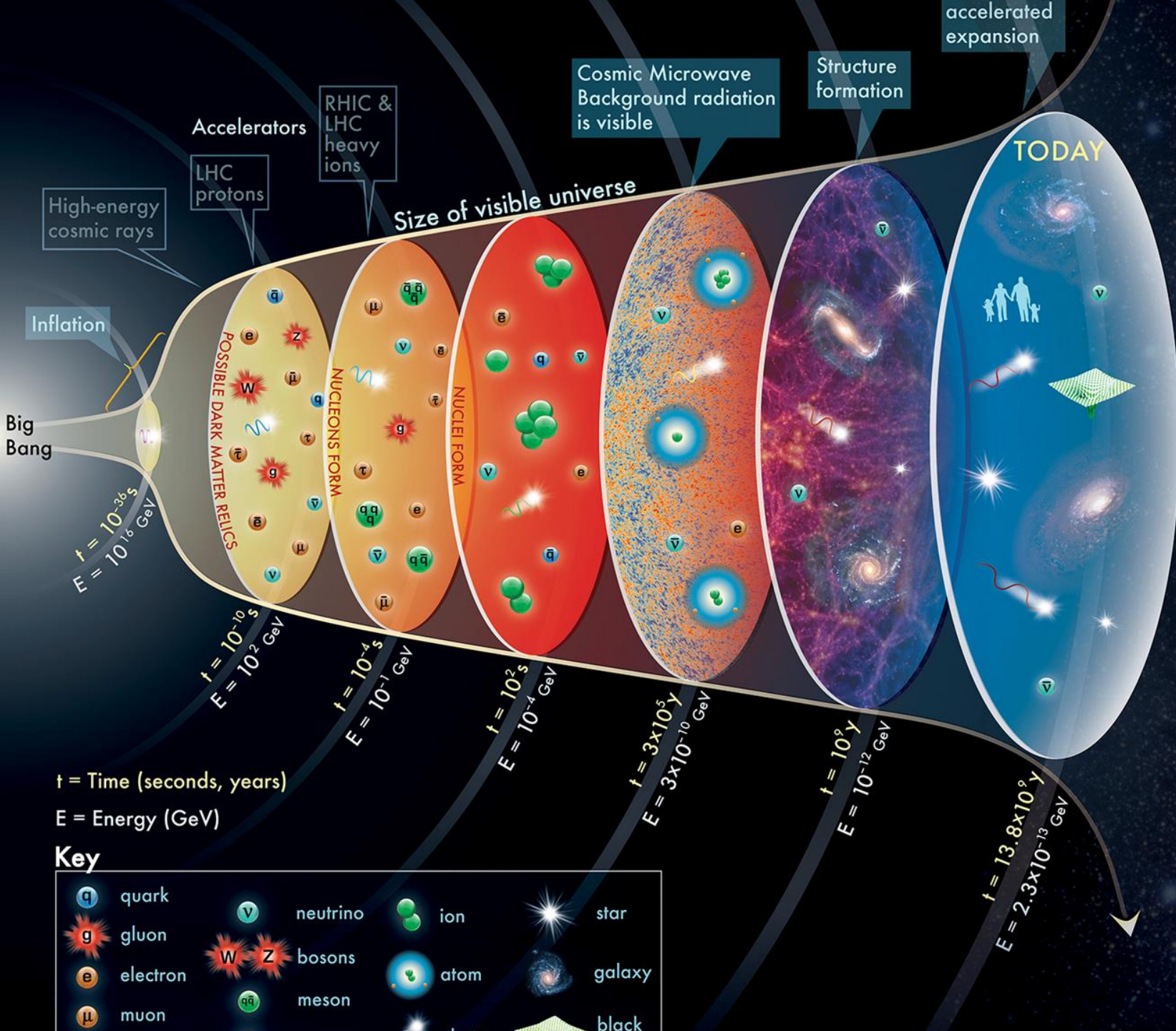
Timm Wrase

<http://hep.itp.tuwien.ac.at/~wrasetm/>

136.012 Kosmologie und Teilchenphysik

Energieverteilung in heutigem Universum





Voraussetzungen und mögliche Themen

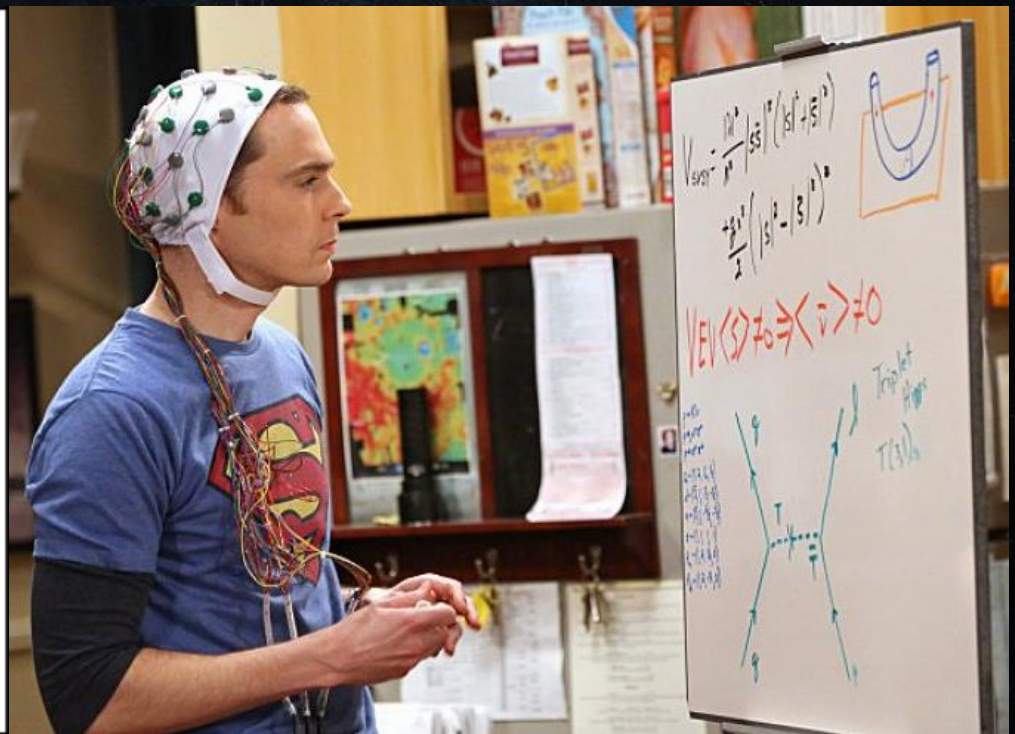
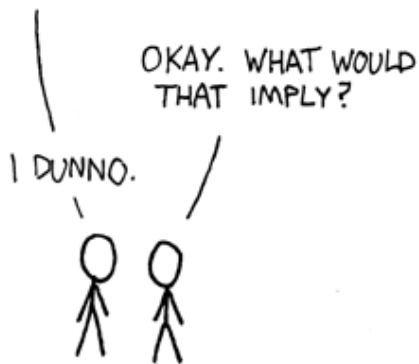
- Spezielle Relativitätstheorie (ART)
 - Kosmologie und Teilchenphysik
1. Was passiert mit unserem Universum in der Zukunft?
 2. Warum ist die dunkle Energie so klein?
 3. Untersuchung von Inflationsmodellen in der Supergravitation.
 4.

Stringtheorie an der TU Wien

<http://hep.itp.tuwien.ac.at/string/index.html>

STRING THEORY SUMMARIZED:

I JUST HAD AN AWESOME IDEA.
SUPPOSE ALL MATTER AND ENERGY
IS MADE OF TINY, VIBRATING "STRINGS."



Voraussetzungen und mögliche Themen

- Quantenfeldtheorie (konforme Feldtheorie)
 - 132.071 Arbeitsgemeinschaft für fundamentale Wechselwirkungen
 - (Supersymmetrie/Supergravitation)
1. Ausarbeitung bestimmter Aspekte der Supersymmetrie
 2. Untersuchung des Teilchenspektrums und deren Symmetrien
 3.



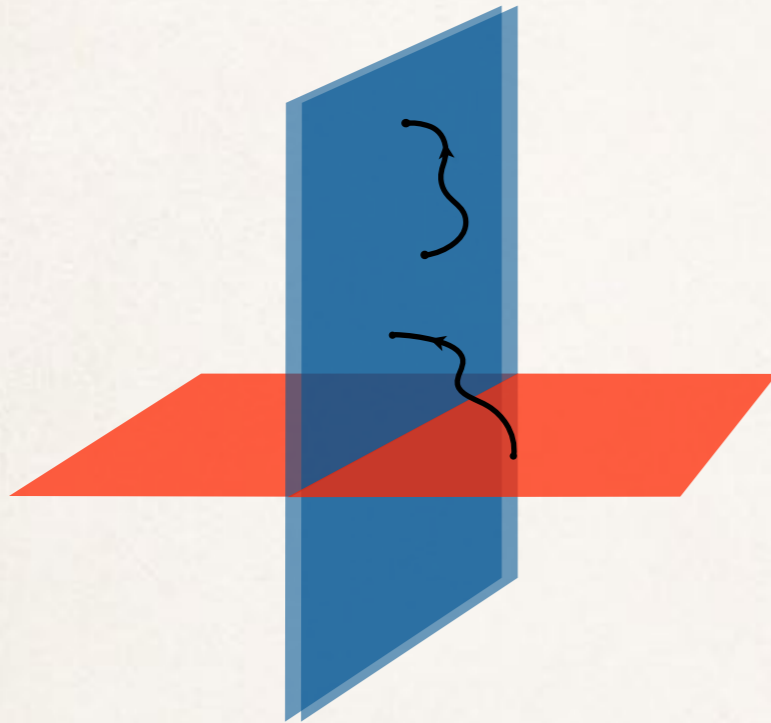
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String Phenomenology

Pascal Anastasopoulos

09/10/2017

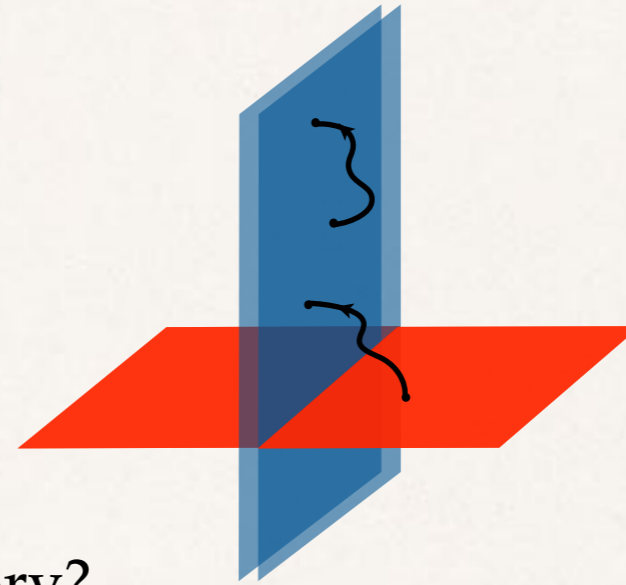
A theory of.. strings (and branes)

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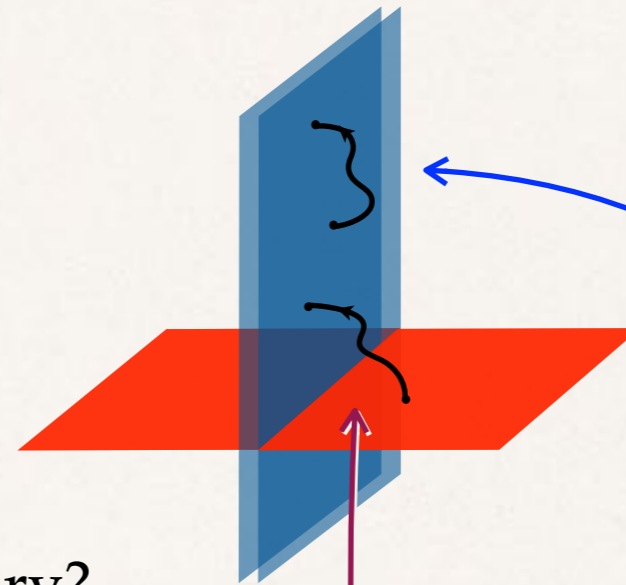
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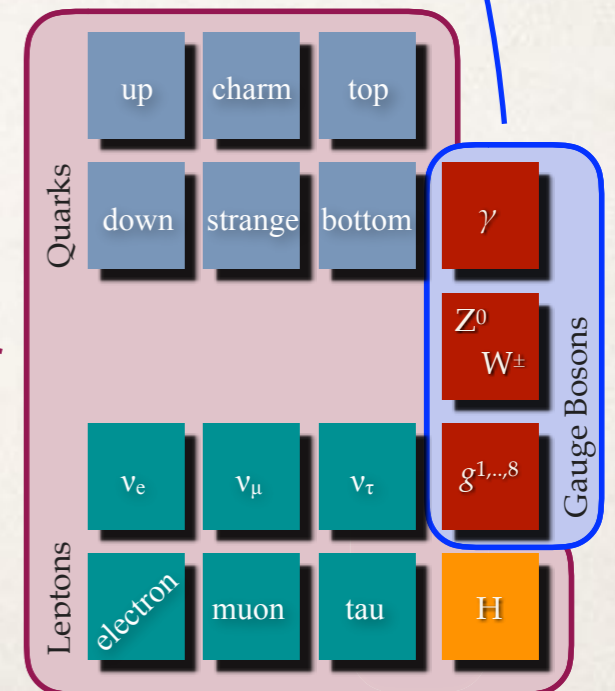
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* **Particles of SM**

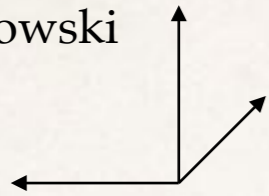
▸ **gauge fields** → strings on the **same D-brane**

▸ **matter fields** → strings at **intersections**

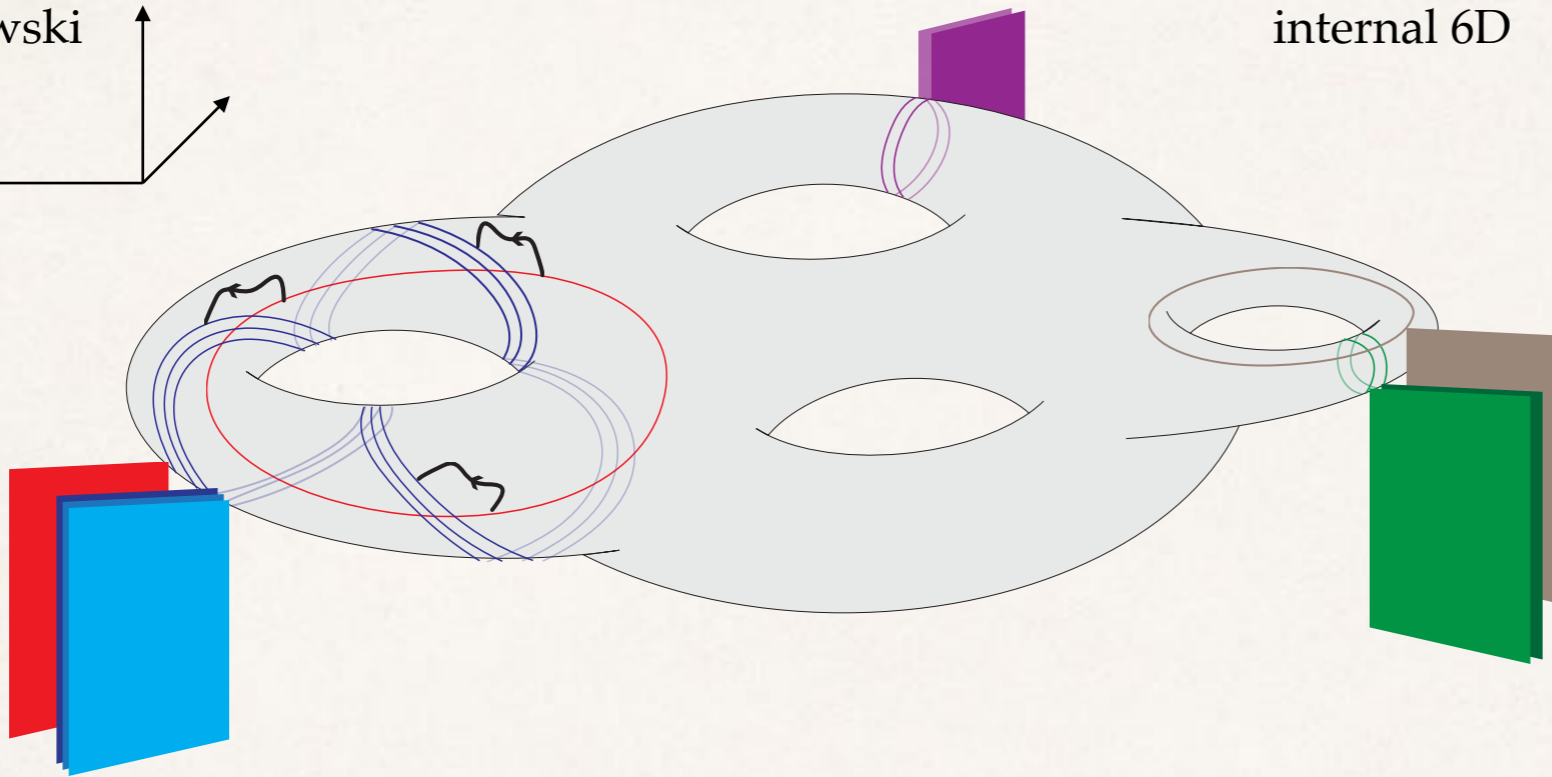


D-brane realisation of the SM

4D Minkowski



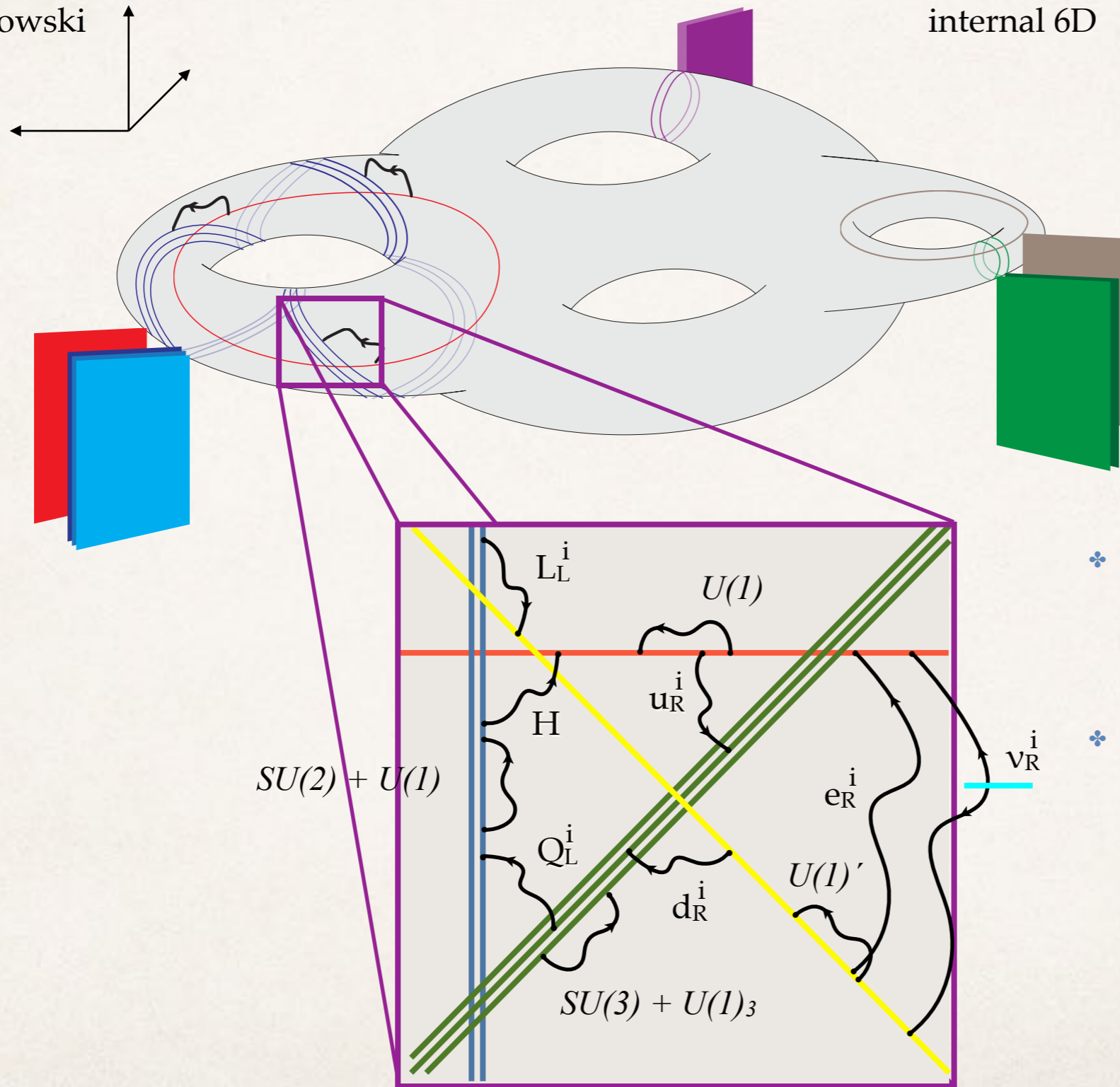
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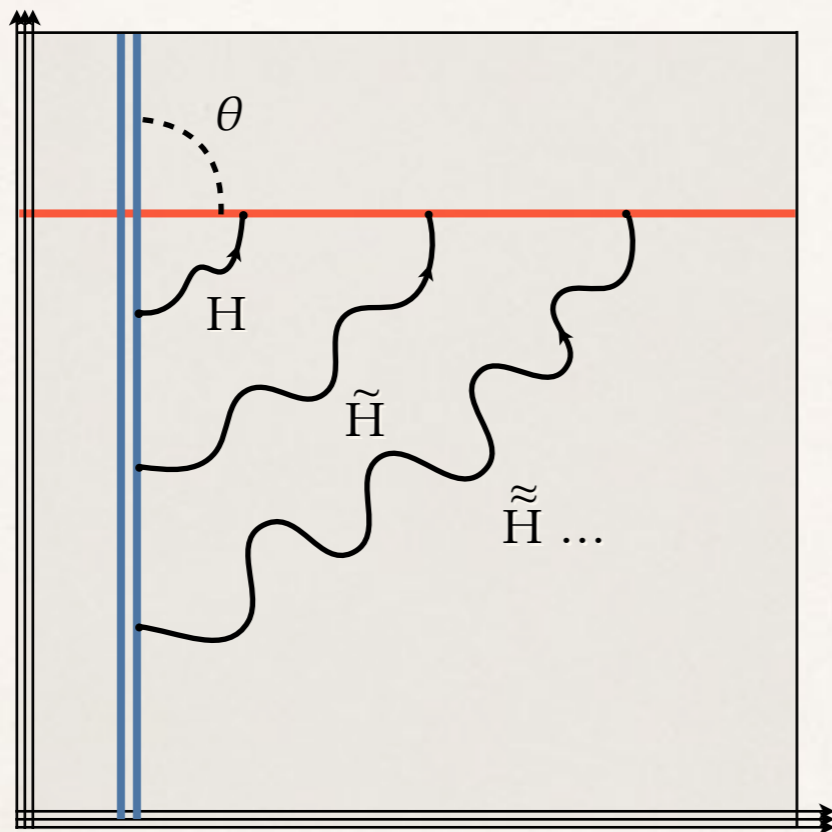
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- ❖ Standard Model is localised at a **small area**.
- ❖ We can focus there and study the **phenomenological consequences**.

Towers of massive copies at intersections

- ❖ Strings vibrate. The frequencies are **not random**. They are **proportional** to the angle θ .
- ❖ Each vibrating string is a **massive copy** of the **same massless field**.



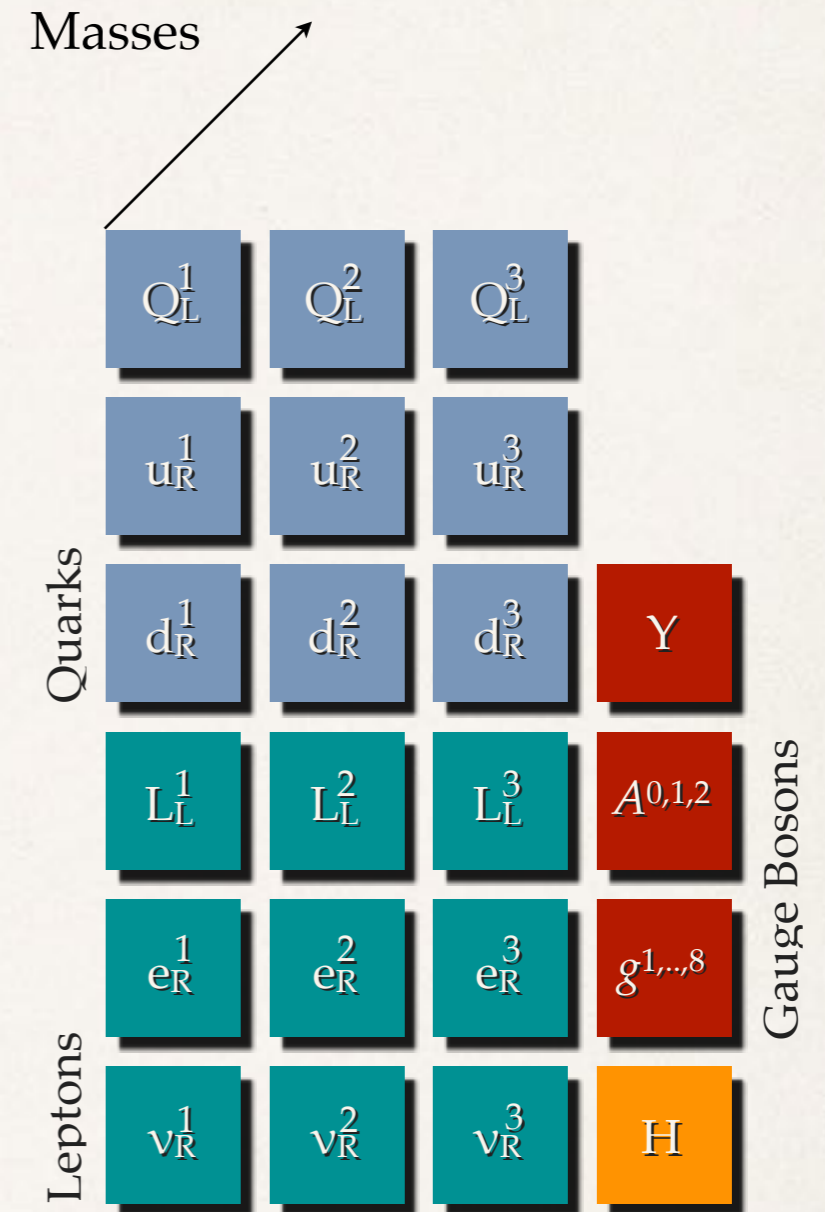
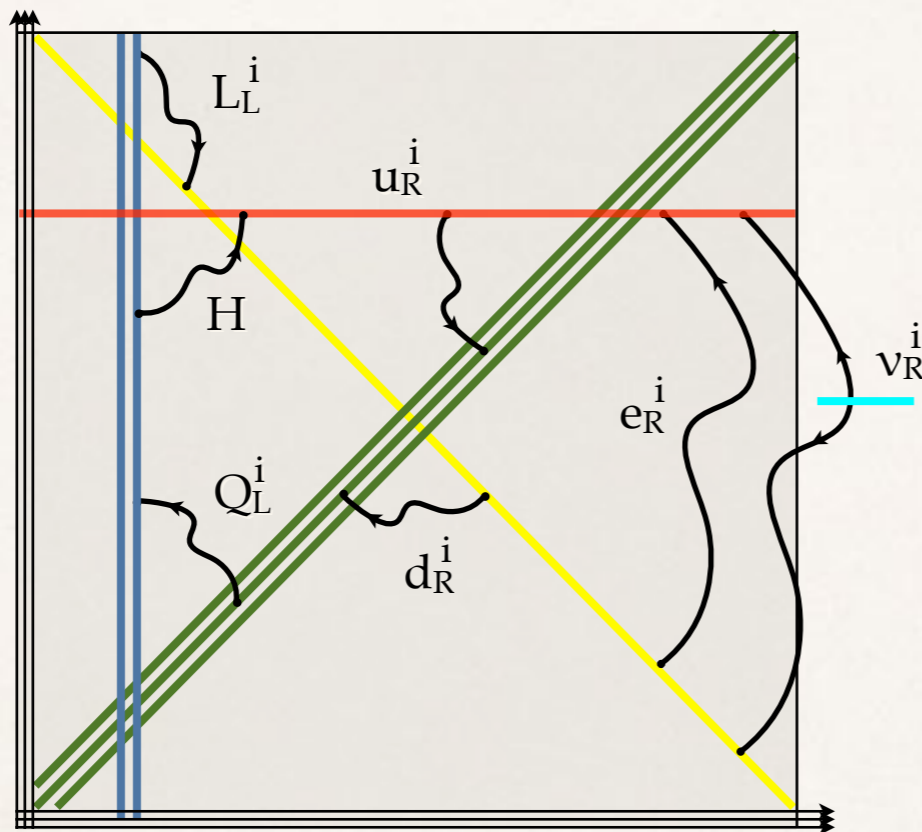
Example:

- The “zero” mode H is massless: $M^2 = 0$.
 - The “first” \tilde{H} is massive: $M^2 = \theta M_s^2$.
 - The “second” $\tilde{\tilde{H}}$ is massive: $M^2 = 2\theta M_s^2$.
- etc etc...

- ❖ Such **towers of states** appear at **each intersection**.

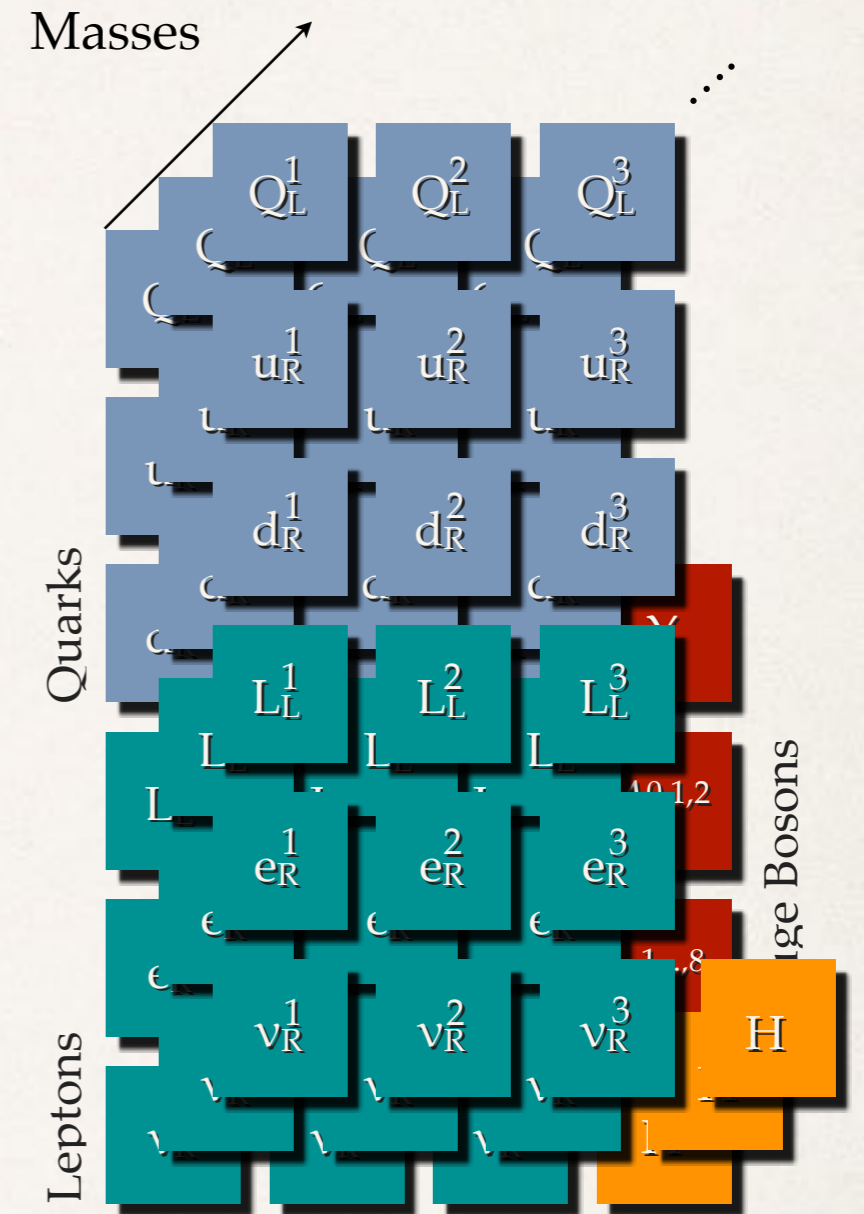
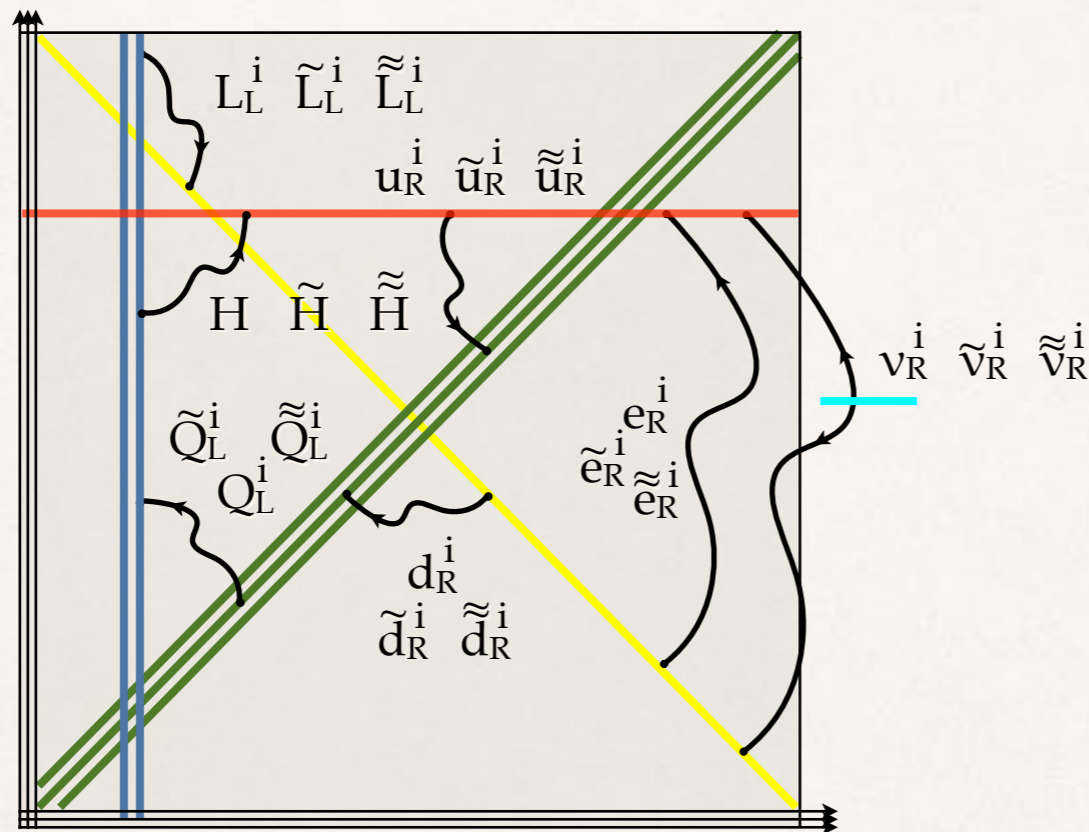
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