#### **Effective Field Theories in QCD**

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### EFTs in QCD: Acharya

Chiral Perturbation Theory with the topological heta term:

- θ-dependence of the lightest meson resonances in QCD.
- hep-ph/1507.08570

Partially Quenched  $\chi$  PT to separate and calculate disconnected Wick contractions in  $\pi\pi$  Scattering.

- Connected and disconnected contractions in pion-pion scattering
- hep-ph/1704.06754

$$\mathcal{L}_{\theta} = -\frac{\theta}{64\pi^2} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} G^a_{\mu\nu} G^a_{\rho\sigma}$$









### Why study LQCD?

Because LQCD = QCD!

LQCD is currently the only known way to treat the full QCD lagrangian non-perturbatively from first principles.

We can extract, for example: mass, decay constants and form factors for the ground state.

Lattice QCD = theoretical physics + technical knowledge

**Previous work: Phenomenological implications of the intrinsic** 

charm in the Z boson production at the LHC (arXiv:1512.06007)



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#### SYMMETRIES AND EFT METHODS in high-energy physics and cosmology

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• Hence, the  $\xi$  term proves to be more significant for large  $\phi$  than the  $\frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2$  term:



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arXiv:1512.08221 (PRL, 117, 061801) arXiv:1612.05031 (PRD, 95, 115004) (DC, Radovan Dermisek, Tae Hyun Jung, Hyung Do Kim)

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Self-consistency equation leads to Schroedinger equation with Coulomb potential



Optimistic LO ballpark estimate on the top mass with  $\pm 1$  GeV (100 MeV) precision: 13 TeV LHC 2  $ab^{-1}$  (100 TeV HC 2  $ab^{-1}$ ), assuming 1 GeV diphoton resolution.

PDF and  $\alpha_s$  uncertainty and NLO including ISR should be taken into account.

# Exclusive LHC Pheno and small x PDFs

**Chris Flett** 

In collaboration with Thomas Teubner (Univ. of Liverpool) and Stephen Jones (MPI, Munich)

- Inclusive/DIS type events do not constain small x regime of PDFs
- In 1993, Ryskin showed forward cross section for *exclusive* J/psi production via ultraperipheral pp collisions was a sensitive probing process PP -> P + J/psi + P of the *gluon* PDF.
- Want to generalise previous literature to electroproduction and use xFitter as a means of incorporating existing small x photoproduction data to constrain gluon PDF



# Research interests

John Gargalionis – University of Melbourne Supervisor: Raymond Volkas

- Radiative neutrino mass: design a systematic process for opening up  $\Delta L = 2$  effective operators to produce renormalisable models of radiative neutrino mass
  - **Connections:** purported violations of LFU in *B*-meson decays, leptogenesis, dark matter, SUSY, unification, ...
- Machine learning on jets: train neural network on real, low-level data from the LHC (CMS open data). Current aim: distinguish quark and gluon jets (work with Matthew Dolan)



# Caspar Hasner TU Munich

### Dark Matter

- Indirect Detection
- Weakly Interacting Massive Particles
- Mass ~ TeV
- Soft Collinear Effective Theory

#### Sigtryggur Hauksson, McGill University



- Quark-gluon plasma (QGP) is produced in heavy-ion collisions.
- Want to extract shear viscosity of the QGP from experimental observables.

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \sim \frac{1}{4\pi}$$

 Might hope to get information about the viscosity of QGP through photons and jets.

#### My research

Both photons and jets are subject to the LPM effect at leading order in  $g_s$ .



- Need to do the calculation for QGP that's not in thermal equilibrium (Keldysh-Schwinger formalism).
- Some difficulties:
  - Resumming diagrams without using the KMS condition
  - Controlling exponential growth of soft gluon modes in an anisotropic plasma.



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## [1610.08530] Equation of State



**QCD** @ finite-T



### How strong is strong?



