



# Lattice calculation of neutron electric dipole moment

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#### Outline

- Introduction : Current status of Lattice EDM calculations
- Our Results
- Summary

#### **Nucleon EDM Experiments**

#### Recent nEDM limits:

 $d_n < 2.9 \times 10^{-26} e \cdot cm$ C. A. Baker, Phys. Rev. Lett. 97(2006)  $d_n < 1.6 \times 10^{-26} e \cdot cm$ B. Graner, Phys. Rev. Lett. 116(2016)  $d_n = (0.0 \pm 1.1_{stat} \pm 0.2_{sys}) \times 10^{-26} e \cdot cm$ 

C. Abel et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 124(2020)

**SM prediction**  
$$|d_n| \sim 10^{-31} e \cdot cm.$$





[N. Yamanaka, et al. Eur. Phys. J. A53 (2017) 54, Ginges and Flambaum Phys. Rep. 397, 63, 2004]



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Role of (lattice) QCD : connect quark/gluon-level (effective) operators to hadron/nuclei matrix elements and interactions (Form factor, dn) Non-perturbative determination is important → Lattice QCD calculation

#### **Effective CPV operators**

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{eff}^{\mathcal{CP}} = & \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} \bar{\theta} G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu} & \text{dim=4, } \theta_{QCD} \\ & - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{i=e,u,d,s} d_i \bar{\psi}_i F \cdot \sigma \gamma_5 \psi_i & \text{dim=5, e, quark E} \\ & - \frac{i}{2} \sum_{i=u,d,s} \tilde{d}_i \bar{\psi}_i G \cdot \sigma \gamma_5 \psi_i & \text{dim=5, chromo E} \\ & + \omega f^{abc} G_{\mu\nu,a} G^{\mu\beta,b} G^{\nu,c}_{\ \beta} & \text{dim=6, Weinberg} \\ & + \sum C_i^{(4q)} \mathcal{O}_i^{(4q)} & \text{dim=6, Four-quark E} \end{split}$$

im=5, e, quark EDM

m=5, chromo EDM

m=6, Weinberg three gluon

m=6, Four-quark operators

#### **Effective CPV operators**

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff}^{CP} = \frac{g_s^2}{32\pi^2} \bar{\theta} G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$$

dim=4,  $\theta_{QCD}$ 

• Why  $\bar{\theta} \leq \mathcal{O}(10^{-10})$  ?  $\rightarrow$  Strong CP problem

- A dynamical solution : PQ symmetry ( $\theta \rightarrow 0$  and Axion)
- Other dynamical solutions?
  - c.f. Conceptional discussions of "un-observability" of topological charges.
  - e.g., Topological charge decouples to hadron correlation functions in infinite volume limit? [G. Schierholz, 2024].

 $\rightarrow$  Lattice QCD are important to confirm the problem and to constrain  $\theta$ .

#### Lattice QCD : First principle calculation of QCD [Wilson, '74]



1.Generate samples of vacuum, typically O(10)-O(1,000) samples of gauge configurations U<sub>µ</sub>(n).

$$\{C^0\} \to \{C^1\} \to \cdots \to \{C^{i-1}\} \to \{C^i\} \to \cdots \to \{C^N\}$$

Thermalized configurations

2. Then measure physical observables on the vacuum ensemble (important sampling)

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{\int dU \mathcal{O}(U) e^{-S(U)}}{\int dU e^{-S(U)}} = \lim_{N \to \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \mathcal{O}(U_i)$$

#### Calculation of θ EDM on the lattice

Re-weighting method [S. Aoki et al. (2005); F. Berruto et al (2005), ...]

$$e^{-S_{QCD}-i\theta Q} = e^{-S_{QCD}} \left[1 - i\theta Q + \mathcal{O}(\theta^2)\right]$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\mathcal{GP}} = \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{CP-even} - i\theta \langle Q \cdot \mathcal{O} \rangle_{CP-even} + \mathcal{O}(\theta^2)$$

(CP-even)

(CP-odd)

CPV operator : Q, cEDM, etc...,  $|\theta| << 1$ 

Original (CP-even) gauge configurations can be used. No sign problem. CP-odd Nucleon Structure on a Lattice (I)

### c.f. Dynamical simulation including CP-odd interactions

[R. Horsley et al. (2008); H. K. Guo, et al., 2015)]

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\theta}^{Q \dots Q} = \int \mathcal{O} U(\mathcal{O}) e^{-even S_{\overline{Q}}} i\theta \langle \mathcal{Q} - \theta \rangle_{maig}^{Q} Q^{-even} + O(\theta^2)$$

Need additional simulation for ensemble generations to get non-zero topological sector. Better sampling of non-zero Q sector. Check linearity of  $\theta$  (ensemble generation for various maginary  $\theta$ )



#### **Example of Monte Carlo simulation of QCD vacuum**

QCD non-trivial topological vacuum: source of CPV



(Courtesy of Derek Leinweber, CSSM, University of Adelaide)

Q (topological charge) in lattice Monte Carlo history (RBC /UKQCD collaboration) Nf=2+1 DWF,  $m\pi$ =290-420 MeV



#### **Extraction of nucleon EDM**

Form factor method

[Aoki et al (2005); Berruto et al (2005); Shindler et al (2015) ; Alexandrou et al (2015) ; Shintani et al (2016); Dragos et al(2019); Alexandrou et al(2020); Bhattacharya et al (2021) ;Liang et al (2023)]

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Electric dipole moment ( $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$  extrapolation)

$$d_n = \lim_{Q^2 \to 0} \frac{F_3(Q^2)}{2m_N}$$



electric magnetic current

$$(q = p' - p, Q^2 = -q^2)$$

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$$\langle N[\bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}q]\bar{N}\rangle_{\mathcal{G}^{p}} = \frac{1}{Z}\int \mathscr{D}U \,\mathscr{D}\bar{\psi}\mathscr{D}\psi N[\bar{q}\gamma^{\mu}q]\bar{N}e^{-S-iS_{\theta}} \qquad S_{\theta} = \frac{\theta}{32\pi^{2}}\int d^{4}xTr[G_{\mu\nu}(x)\tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}(x)]$$

$$\langle p', \sigma'|J^{\mu}|p, \sigma\rangle = \bar{u}_{p}, \sigma' \underbrace{F_{1}(Q^{2})\gamma^{\mu}}_{Dirac} \underbrace{F_{2}(Q^{2})}_{Dirac} \underbrace{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_{\nu}}_{2m_{N}} - F_{3}(Q^{2}) \underbrace{\gamma_{5}\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_{\nu}}_{2m_{N}} u_{p,\sigma}$$

$$= \lim_{Q^{2}\to 0} \underbrace{F_{3}(Q^{2})}_{2m_{N}} \underbrace{f_{3}(Q^{2})}_{2m_{N}} \underbrace{f_{3}(Q^{2})}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.02} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.02} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.02} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.00} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.02} \underbrace{f_{3}}_{0.04} \underbrace{$$

[S. Syritsyn et al. (2048)]

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[S. Syritsyn et al. (2018)]

Problem: Prior to 2017, a spurious mixing between EDM and magnetic moments in all previous lattice computations of nucleon form factor.

#### **Spurious mixing problem**

[M. Abramczyk, et al. Phys.Rev.D 96 (2017)]

**CP** violating interaction induces a chiral phase :  $\langle 0|N|p,\sigma\rangle_{CP} = e^{i\alpha\gamma_5}u_{p,\sigma} = \tilde{u}_{p,\sigma}$ 

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a is mixing angle (CP-violating mass correction)

This mixing angle α has to be calculated, and rotated away to obtain "net" CP-violation effect.

$$\bar{\tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}}_{\boldsymbol{p}',\boldsymbol{\sigma}'} \left[ \tilde{F}_1 \gamma^{\mu} + (\tilde{F}_2 + i\tilde{F}_3 \gamma_5) \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_{\nu}}{2m_N} \right] \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}_{\boldsymbol{p},\boldsymbol{\sigma}} \equiv \bar{u}_{\boldsymbol{p}',\boldsymbol{\sigma}'} \left[ F_1 \gamma^{\mu} + (F_2 + iF_3 \gamma_5) \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_{\nu}}{2m_N} \right] u_{\boldsymbol{p},\boldsymbol{\sigma}}$$

[Previous "lattice" parametrization prior to 2017]

$$(F_2 + iF_3\gamma_5) = e^{2i\alpha\gamma_5}(\tilde{F}_2 + i\tilde{F}_3\gamma_5) \quad \rightleftharpoons \qquad [F_2]_{\text{correct}} = \tilde{F}_2 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$$
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Form factor method with imaginary θ simulation [₱5/₲60 et al., PRL 115, no.6, 062001 (2015)]

## **Recent lattice results for θ-induced nEDM (after 2017)**

Lattice	Neutron EDM [e fm]	Proton EDM [e fm]
Dragos et al $[2019]$	$d_n/\theta = -0.00152(71)$	$d_p/\theta = 0.0011(10)$
Alexandrou et al $[2020]$	$ d_n/\theta  = 0.0009(24)$	
Bhattacharya et al $[2021]$	$d_n/\theta = -0.003(7)(20)$	$d_p/\theta = 0.024(10)(30)$
Liang et al $[2023]$	$d_n/\theta = -0.00148(14)(31)$	$d_p/\theta = 0.0038(11)(8)$

Phenomenology	method	Neutron EDM [e fm]
Pospelov et al [2000]	ChPT/NDA	$\sim 0.002$
Pospelov et al $[1999]$	QCD sum rules	0.0025(13)
Hisano et al $[2012]$	QCD sum rules	$0.0004^{+3}_{-2}$
Ema et al $[2024]$	QCD sum rules	$0.0005 \sim 0.0015$
		<b>▲</b>

Re-analysis using "correct" nucleon operators from which unphysical chiral phase decouples.

Using the correct definition of  $F_3$ , the lattice results are more comparable with the phenomenological results but with huge errors.

 $\rightarrow$  Need to improve the signals.

#### **Our results**

Nf=2+1 (Mobius) Domain wall fermion (chiral symmetry on the

lattice)

Iwasaki gauge action

Ensemble	Lattice size	Lattice spacing	Statistics	Pion mass
<b>24I_005</b>	24 <sup>3</sup> x 64	0.1105fm	100cfgs	340MeV
24I_010	24 <sup>3</sup> x 64	0.1105fm	1100cfgs	420MeV

All-mode and low-mode averaging techniques<sup>17</sup> for measurements

2pt with exact solver	1
2pt with sloppy solver	64
low mode all to all 2pt	Volume

#### **Background electric field method**

W. Detmold, B. Tiburzi and A. Walker-Loud, Phys.Rev.D81(2010)

•Uniform electric field preserving translational invariance and periodic boundary conditions on a lattice (Euclidean imaginary electric field)

- •No sign problem: analytic continuation of CP-odd interaction
- •Neutron energy shift in background electric field  $\Delta E = d_n \vec{S} \cdot \vec{\epsilon}$



#### Lattice EDM with b.g. electric field

 The EDM can be extracted from the energy shift of 2pt in the background electric field

• 2pt nucleon correlation functions with topological charge

$$C_{2\text{pt},\vec{E}}^{Q}(0,t) = \sum_{\vec{y}} \langle N(\vec{y},t) \left( \sum_{\tau_q=0}^{T} \sum_{\vec{x}} [q(\vec{x},\tau_q)] \right) \bar{N}(\vec{0},0) \rangle_{\vec{E}}$$

• The extraction of EDM

$$d_n \propto \frac{\text{Tr}[\Sigma_Z C^Q_{2pt,\vec{E}}(0,t_f)]}{\text{Tr}[C_{2pt,\vec{E}}(0,t_f)]} - \frac{\text{Tr}[\Sigma_Z C^Q_{2pt,\vec{E}}(0,t_f-1)]}{\text{Tr}[C_{2pt,\vec{E}}(0,t_f-1)]}$$

#### **Feynman-Hellman (FH) theorem**

C. Bouchard, et al., PRD96(2017)

• The matrix elements can be related to the energy shift through FH theorem

2pt correlation function
$$C_{\lambda}(t) = \langle \lambda | \mathcal{O}(t) \mathcal{O}^{\dagger}(0) | \lambda \rangle = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}_{\lambda}} \int D\Phi e^{-S-S_{\lambda}} \mathcal{O}(t) \mathcal{O}^{\dagger}(0)$$
FH theorem
$$\frac{dE(\lambda)}{d\lambda} \Big|_{\lambda=0} = \left\langle N \left| \frac{d\hat{H}(\lambda)}{d\lambda} \right| N \right\rangle$$

• EDM using FH theorem

Nucleon Energy shift m

 $m^{e\!f\!f} = m + \theta d_n^{ heta} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{\epsilon}$ 

EDM can be obtained from the matrix element

$$d_n^{\theta} \epsilon_z = \langle N \uparrow | \sum_{\vec{x}} q(\vec{x}) | N \uparrow \rangle_E$$

 $d_n$  from global topological charge



 $d_{\!n}\,$  from local topological charge density operator

$$Q \sim \int_{V_4} G \tilde{G}, \quad \langle Q^2 \rangle \sim V_4 \quad \rightarrow \text{ (Statistical error)}^2 \propto V_4$$

Signal can be improved.

## **Results of nEDM**

 Comparison of results obtained using local and global topological charge



The results obtained using the local operator have much better signal

#### **Topological charge from quark loop**

Gluonic definition: 
$$\rho_G(x) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \operatorname{Tr} \left[ G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu} \right]_x$$
  
Fermionic definition:  $\rho_F(x) = -m_q J_A(x) = -m_q \operatorname{Tr} \left[ \gamma_5 D^{-1}(x, x) \right]$ 

Index Theorem for Dirac operator:  $Q_{top} \equiv Q_G = Q_F$  Thanks to lattice chiral symmetry

$$Q_G = \sum_x \rho_Q(x), \ Q_F = \sum_x \rho_F(x)$$









The top charge  $Q_F$  with different  $m_f$  is consistent.

## **Results of nEDM**

 The comparison of EDMs obtained using topological charge defined by gluon field and quark loop



The results using the topological charge defined by quark loop have better signals.





## Summary

We test a new method: matrix elements with b.g. electric field, and fermionic

definition of topological charge, has better signals and more stable plateau.

So far the lattice results for neutron  $\theta$  EDMs are consistent with model analyses.

Constrain θ-nEDM at physical point is challenging, which will require order of

magnitude accumulation of statistics (huge computational effort), and/or alternative

noise reduction techniques (chiral basis dependent effect? c.f. [Ema et al. (2024)])

 $\rightarrow$  Constraint relaxation on  $\theta$  parameter or No strong CP problem?

# Thank you

# $heta_{QCD}$ induced Nucleon EDMs

#### Phenomenological estimates

#### Lattice calculations



#### All mode average (AMA) and low mode average (LMA)

[T. Blum, T. Izubuchi and E. Shintani, Phys. Rev. D 88 (2013)]

Gauge ensembles	24I_010		
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$$\langle \mathcal{O}_{AMA} \rangle = \frac{1}{N_{ex}} \langle \mathcal{O}_{ex} \rangle - \frac{1}{N_{ex}} \langle \mathcal{O}_{sl} \rangle + \frac{1}{N_{sl}} \langle \mathcal{O}_{sl} \rangle \qquad (N_{sl} \gg N_{ex})$$



The signal can be significantly enhanced after using AMA and LMA.

#### Reanalysis of "lattice" θ induced EDM

Correction is simple: 
$$[F_3]_{\text{correct}} = \tilde{F}_3 + 2\alpha F_2$$

Correction made by ourselves

		$m_{\pi} [{ m MeV}]$	$m_N [{ m GeV}]$	$F_2$	α	$\tilde{F}_3$	$F_3$
$\operatorname{Ref}[1]$	n	373	1.216(4)	-1.50(16)	-0.217(18)	-0.555(74)	0.094(74)
$\operatorname{Ref}[2]$	n	530	1.334(8)	-0.560(40)	-0.247(17)	-0.325(68)	-0.048(68)
	p	530	1.334(8)	0.399(37)	-0.247(17)	0.284(81)	0.087(81)
$\operatorname{Ref}[3]$	n	690	1.575(9)	-1.715(46)	-0.070(20)	-1.39(1.52)	-1.15(1.52)
	n	605	1.470(9)	-1.698(68)	-0.160(20)	0.60(2.98)	1.14(2.98)
$\operatorname{Ref}[4]$	n	465	1.246(7)	-1.491(22)	-0.079(27)	-0.375(48)	-0.130(76)
	n	360	1.138(13)	-1.473(37)	-0.092(14)	-0.248(29)	0.020(58)

Ref[1] : C. Alexandrou et al., Phys. Rev. D93, 074503 (2016), Ref[2] : E. Shintani et al., Phys.Rev. D72, 014504 (2005). Ref[3] : F. Berruto, T. Blum, K. Orginos, and A. Soni, Phys.Rev. D73, 054509 (2006) Ref[4] : F. K. Guo et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 062001 (2015).

The lattice results are consistent with phenomenological estimates. After removing spurious contributions, no signal of EDM. How to improve the signal?

#### The extraction of gradient flow diffusion effect

The diffusion effect in the gradient flow

 $\tilde{q}(t_2^{gf};\tau) = \int dt' K(t_2^{gf} - t_1^{gf}; |\tau - \tau'|) \tilde{q}(t_1^{gf}; \tau') \xrightarrow{\text{Fourier}} \tilde{q}(t_2^{gf}; \omega) = K(t_2^{gf} - t_1^{gf}; \omega) \tilde{q}(t_1^{gf}; \omega)$ 

The diffusion kernel can be extracted through



- The noise is suppressed at larger gradient flow time.
- The plateau will be shifted due to the diffusion.

3pt function with topological charge density in the presence of background electric field

Consider 3-pt functions of topological charge density

$$\Delta C_{3pt}(\tau, \vec{\mathcal{E}}) = \langle \hat{N}(T)\bar{Q}(\tau)\bar{N}(0)\rangle_{\vec{\mathcal{E}}}, \quad (0 < \tau < T)$$

Performing the spectral decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta C_{3pt}(\tau, \vec{\mathcal{E}}) = &\langle \hat{N}(T)\bar{Q}(\tau)\bar{\hat{N}}(0)\rangle_{\vec{\mathcal{E}}} \sim \sum_{n,m} e^{-E_n(T-\tau)-E_m\tau} \langle 0|\hat{N}|n, \mathcal{E}\rangle \langle n, \mathcal{E}|\bar{Q}|m, \mathcal{E}\rangle \langle m, \mathcal{E}|\bar{\hat{N}}|0\rangle \\ = &|Z_N|^2 e^{-m_N T} \langle N_+, \mathcal{E}|\bar{Q}|N_+, \mathcal{E}\rangle + (\text{excited states}) \end{aligned}$$

 $|N_+,\mathcal{E}
angle$  : ground state nucleon in the presence of b.g. electric field

This matrix element can be non-zero due to non-zero electric field, which corresponds to the energy shift ( $\delta E$ )

$$\langle N_+, \mathcal{E} | \bar{Q} | N_+, \mathcal{E} \rangle = \delta E = d_n \times \vec{\Sigma} \cdot \vec{\mathcal{E}}$$

c.f. 1st order energy correction in the perturbation theory of quantum mechanics  $\hat{H} = \hat{H}_0 + \delta \hat{H}, \quad \delta E_n = \langle n | (\delta \hat{H}) | n \rangle$ 

## More details on Perturbative analysis with background electric field

[G. Baym, and H. Beck, PNAS 7438, 113, 27, 2016]

#### State mixing due to electric field (without CP-odd operator)

$$|N_+,\mathcal{E}\rangle = |N_+,0\rangle + \vec{\mathcal{E}} \cdot \vec{D}|N_-,0\rangle + \cdots$$

 $\vec{D} = \frac{e}{2m_{N-}(m_{N-}-m_{N+})} \int dx^3 \vec{x} \langle N^-, 0 | \rho_{EM}(x) | N^+, 0 \rangle \qquad \text{(expectation value of the dipole operator)}$  $\rho_{EM} = \frac{2}{3} \bar{u} \gamma_0 u(x) - \frac{1}{3} \bar{d} \gamma_0 d(x)$ 

(c.f. 1st order state mixing in quantum mechanics)

Ground state nucleon (originally P-even) can mix with the negative parity nucleon (N-)

$$\langle N_+, \mathcal{E} | \bar{Q} | N_+, \mathcal{E} \rangle = \langle N_+, 0 | \bar{Q} | N_+, 0 \rangle \leftarrow \text{zero due to P Sym.}$$
  
  $+ \vec{\mathcal{E}} \cdot \vec{D} \langle N_+, 0 | \bar{Q} | N_-, 0 \rangle + (c.c.) \rightarrow d_n \vec{\mathcal{E}} \cdot \vec{\Sigma}$ 

CP-even quantity  $\rightarrow$  Non-zero VEV (Same as mixing angle  $\alpha$ )

EDM : interplay of both electric field (P-odd state mixing) and CP-odd matrix element (energy splitting) in 1-st order perturbation