# NUCLEON STRUCTURE AT LOW-ENERGY / PRECISION FRONTIER

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### Frontiers of subatomic physics



## High energy easy to identify



## Breaking through frontiers

**Freeman Dyson** on 16 discoveries awarded the Nobel Prize between 1945 and 2008:

"four discoveries on the energy frontier, four on the rarity frontier, eight on the accuracy frontier. Only a quarter of the discoveries were made on the energy frontier, while half of them were made on the accuracy frontier. **For making important discoveries, high accuracy was more useful than high energy.**"

(Freeman Dyson, review of The Lightness of Being, F. Wilczek, The New York Review of Books, April 2009)



## Precision frontier and the stumbling stone



## **QCD** coupling



For  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty, \ \alpha_s \rightarrow 0$  : asymptotic freedom

For  $Q \sim \Lambda_{QCD}$  non-perturbative phenomena: color confinement, spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking, generation of nucleon mass, ...





## QFTs of low-energy strong interaction

... turning the tumble stone into stepping stones



#### Lattice QCD



Chiral perturbation theory (ChPT), a.k.a Chiral Effective-Field Theory (ChEFT)





## ChPT basic facts

S. Weinberg, Phenomenological Lagrangians, Physica (1979): aimed to obtain quantum corrections to PCAC (LETs + chiral symmetry), derived the Effective Field Theory framework

#### Gasser & Leutwyler (1984, 1985) worked out ChPT in the meson sector.

#### Chiral' and 'Perturbative' go together:

pions are Goldstone bosons of spontaneous ChSB, interaction goes with powers of energy, vanishes at E=0 in the chiral limit. perturbative expansion in energy and pion mass (but not a series expansion!)

Most general Lagrangian (allowed by symmetries), hence infinitely many constants (LECs) parametrising the short-range physics.

#### Predictive provided: Hierarchy of scales and Naturalness

## Baryon ChPT

#### Not just the pion cloud: Delta(1232) excitation

Jenkins & Manohar, PLB (1991) Hemmert, Holstein, Kambor, JPhysG (1998) V.P. & Phillips, PRC (2003)





E (GeV)

- The 1st nucleon excitation Delta(1232) is within reach of chiral perturbation theory (293 MeV excitation energy is a light scale)
- Include into the chiral effective Lagrangian as explicit dof
- Power-counting for Delta contributions (SSE, ``deltacounting") depends on what chiral order is assigned to the excitation scale.

#### Example: Nucleon mass

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{k} \mathcal{L}^{(k)}, \qquad k = \# \text{ of pion derivatives and masses}$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(1)} = \bar{N}(i\mathcal{D} - \mathring{M}_{N} + \mathring{g}_{A} a_{\mu}\gamma^{\mu}\gamma_{5})N$$
$$= \bar{N}\Big(i\partial \!\!\!/ - \mathring{M}_{N} + \frac{\mathring{g}_{A}}{2f_{\pi}} (\partial_{\mu}\pi)\gamma^{\mu}\gamma_{5}\Big)N + O(\pi^{2})$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi N}^{(2)} = 4 \mathring{c}_{1N} m_{\pi}^{2} \bar{N} N + \dots$$

#### **Power-counting:**

$$n = \sum_k kV_k + 4L - 2N_\pi - N_N$$

$$V_k \quad \# \text{ of vertices from } \mathcal{L}^{(k)}$$

$$L \quad \# \text{ of Loops}$$

- # of internal pions
- $N_{\pi}$  $N_N$ # of internal nucleons



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#### Heavy-baryon ChPT? No!



where  $L = \frac{1}{\epsilon} + ...$  contains the UV-divergence, removed in MS-bar: L = 0remaining  $m_{\pi}^2$  "complicates life a lot" [GSS88]. Violation of power counting?!! Gasser, Sainio & Svarc, NPB (1988); ...

Led to Heavy-Baryon ChPT [Jenkins & Manohar, PLB (1991)] which for a decade was considered as the only consistent formulation. Drawback: not working — 1. removes  $m_{\pi}^2$  in dimreg but not in cutoff schemes, 2. demotes important contributions to "higher-orders"

Fortunately, HB not needed:  $m_{\pi}^2$  term removed by renormalization of the LEC. Japaridze & Gegelia (1999), published in (2003)! Relevance to low-energy/precision frontiers

ChPT gives predictions\*, i.e. free-parameter free results, for:

1. Nucleon polarizabilities

## 2. Nucleon structure effects in hydrogen Lamb shift beyond the charge radius

\*Predictions of HBChPT differ from BChPT

## ChPT of Compton scattering off protons



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#### Unpolarized cross sections



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#### Proton polarizabilities



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Extracting polarizabilities from angular dep.

$$\frac{d\sigma^{(\rm NB)}}{d\Omega} = -2\pi Z^2 \frac{\alpha}{M} \left(\frac{\nu'}{\nu}\right)^2 \nu \nu' \left[2\alpha_{E1} \left(1 + \cos^2\theta\right) + 4\beta_{M1} \cos\theta\right] + O(\nu^4)$$



From linear beam asymmetry

$$\Sigma_3 \equiv \frac{d\sigma_{||} - d\sigma_{\perp}}{d\sigma_{||} + d\sigma_{\perp}} \stackrel{\text{LEX}}{=} \Sigma_3^{(\text{Born})} - \frac{4\beta_{M1}}{Z^2 \alpha_{em}} \frac{\cos\theta \sin^2\theta}{(1 + \cos^2\theta)^2} \,\omega^2 + O(\omega^4)$$

#### Krupina & V.P, PRL (2013)



## New Mainz data for Compton beam asymmetry

Data taken: 28.05. – 17.06.2013, 327 h



### Predictions of HBChPT vs BChPT



## Discoveries relevant to modern precision frontier

#### The Nobel Prize in Physics 1955

#### Willis Eugene Lamb

"for his discoveries concerning the fine structure of the hydrogen spectrum"

#### **Polykarp Kusch**

"for his precision determination of the magnetic moment of the electron"

#### The Nobel Prize in Physics 1961

#### **Robert Hofstadter**

"for his pioneering studies of electron scattering in atomic nuclei and for his thereby achieved discoveries concerning the structure of the nucleons"

## The proton radii puzzle



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#### Proton size





#### Lamb shift in ChPT



#### $0.00 \quad 0.03 \quad 0.10 \quad 0.13 \quad 0.20 \quad 0.23 \quad 0.30$

#### Lame (Gevient in terms of VVCS amplitudes



$$\Delta E_{nS}^{(\text{pol})} = -4\alpha_{em}\phi_n^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dQ}{Q^2} w \left(Q^2/4m_\ell^2\right) \left[T_2^{(\text{NB})}(0,Q^2) - T_1^{(\text{NB})}(0,Q^2)\right]$$

where unpolarized, forward Doubly-Virtual Compton scattering (VVCS) amplitude:

$$T^{\mu\nu}(p,q) = \frac{i}{8\pi M} \int d^4x \, e^{iqx} \langle p|Tj^{\mu}(x)j^{\nu}(0)|p\rangle$$
  
=  $\left(-g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{q^{\mu}q^{\nu}}{q^2}\right) T_1(\nu,Q^2)$   
+  $\frac{1}{M^2} \left(p^{\mu} - \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2}q^{\mu}\right) \left(p^{\nu} - \frac{p \cdot q}{q^2}q^{\nu}\right) T_2(\nu,Q^2)$   
 $T_1^{(NB)}(0,Q^2) \simeq Q^2 \beta_{M1}$   
 $T_2^{(NB)}(0,Q^2) \simeq Q^2(\alpha_{E1} + \beta_{M1}), \text{ for low } Q$ 

 $\phi_n^2(0) = m_r^3 \alpha^3 / (\pi n^3)$ 



## Proton polarizability effect in mu-H

			HBChPT				Alarcon, Lensky, V.P.
	Pachucki	Marty-	Nevado &	Carlson &	Birse &	Gorchtein	$LO-B\chi PT$
	[9]	nenko	Pineda	Vanderhaeghen	McGovern	et al.	[this work]
$(\mu eV)$		[10]	[11]	[12]	[13]	[14]	
$\Delta E_{2S}^{(\text{subt})}$	1.8	2.3		5.3(1.9)	4.2(1.0)	3.3(4.6)	-3.0
$\Delta E_{2S}^{(\text{inel})}$	-13.9	-13.8		-12.7(5)	$-12.7(5)^*$	-13.0(6)	-5.2
$\Delta E_{2S}^{(\text{pol})}$	-12(2)	-11.5	-18.5	-7.4(2.4)	-8.5	-9.7(5.6)	$-8.2(^{+1.2}_{-2.8})$

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Polarizability effect in mu-H Lam shift



Heavy-Baryon and Baryon ChPT yield different predictions.. again this time for proton structure corrections to Lamb shift

#### but neither of them predicts the effect to be nearly enough to resolve the puzzle

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## More of two-photon processes



## Virtual Compton scattering (VCS)





Nucleon structure on intersection of low-energy and precision frontiers: proton charge radius, polarizabilities.





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Chiral PT predictions, tested in polarizabilities, *rule against scenarios* where the charge radius puzzle is explained by proton structure (beyond the radius itself)

Stay tuned for Compton scattering (RCS, VCS, tVCS, VVCS) ongoing experiments at MAMI, HIGS, JLab and muon scattering at PSI !