# QCD and Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

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 $T \sim 10$  billion  $K \rightarrow .1$  billion K $t \sim 1 \ {\rm sec} \ \rightarrow 15 \ {\rm min}$  $T \sim 1 \; \mathrm{MeV} \; \rightarrow .01 \; \mathrm{MeV}$ **Dark Energy Accelerated Expansion** Afterglow Light **Pattern** Dark Ages **Development of** Galaxies, Planets, etc. 380,000 yrs. Inflation WMAP Quantu Fluctuations Formation of 1st Stars about 400 million yrs. light nuclei **Big Bang Expansion** 13.7 billion years



What is Big Bang Nucleosynthesis?

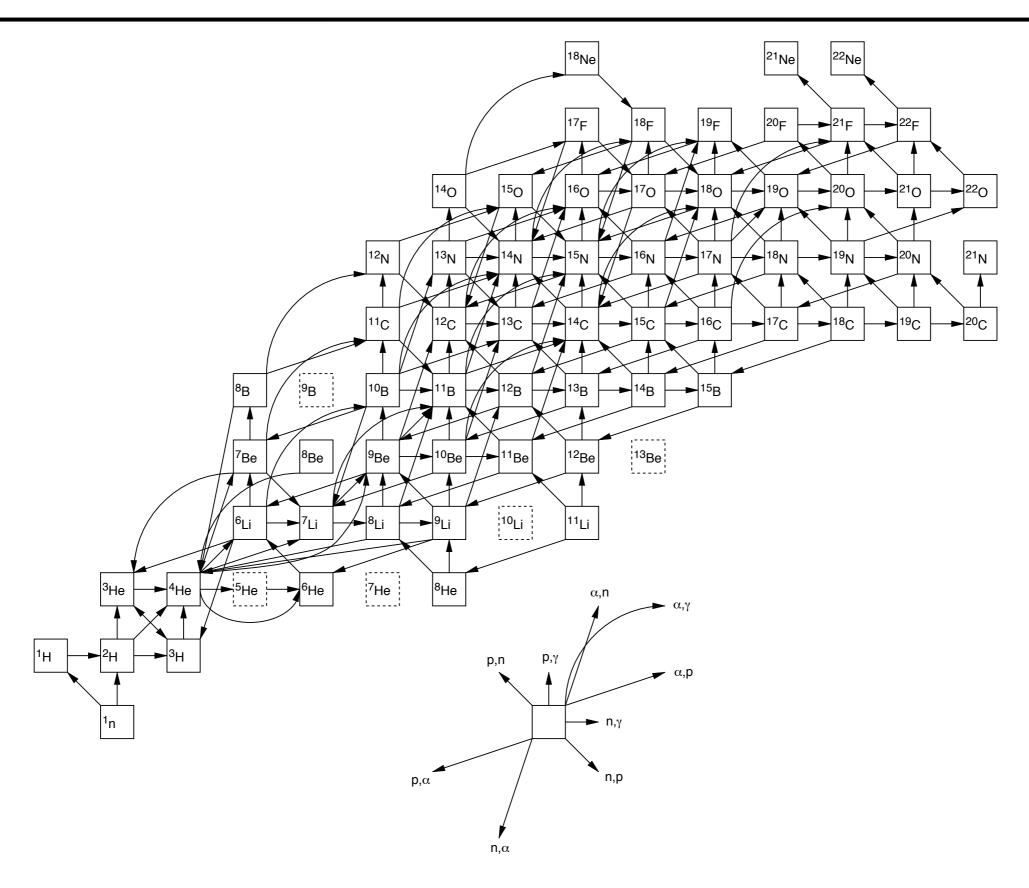
Describes our understanding of the evolution of the early universe from a time approximately one second after the Big Bang to approximately 15 minutes after the Big Bang.

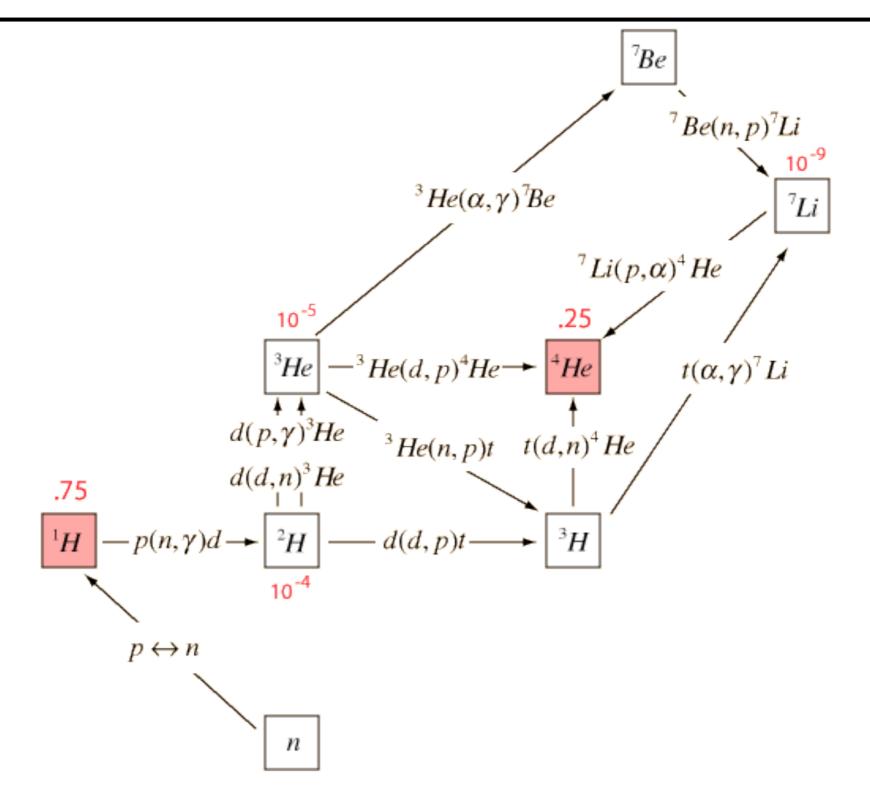
At this time, the only relevant degrees of freedom in the universe are protons, neutrons, electrons and photons

A chain of coupled nuclear reactions produces the primordial abundance of light nuclei H, D, <sup>3</sup>He, <sup>4</sup>He, <sup>7</sup>Li

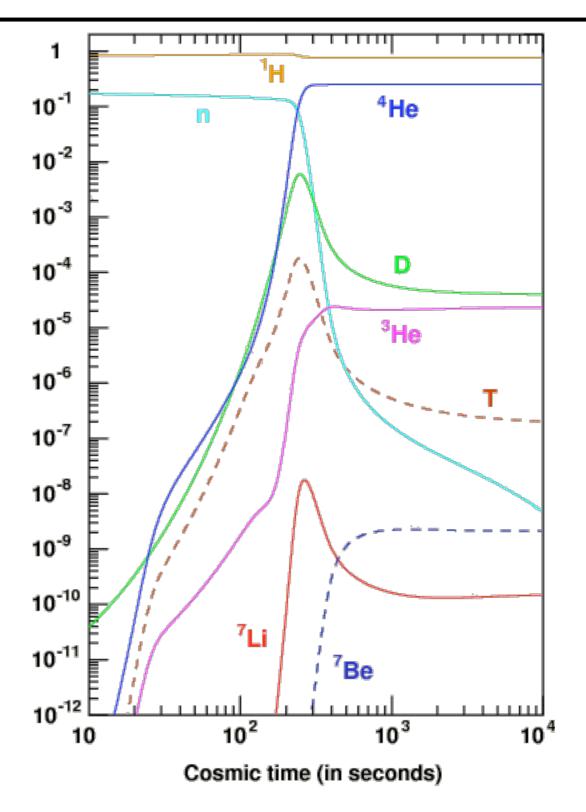
Given the measured nuclear reactions, the only input/output to our understanding of BBN is the primordial ratio of baryons to photons

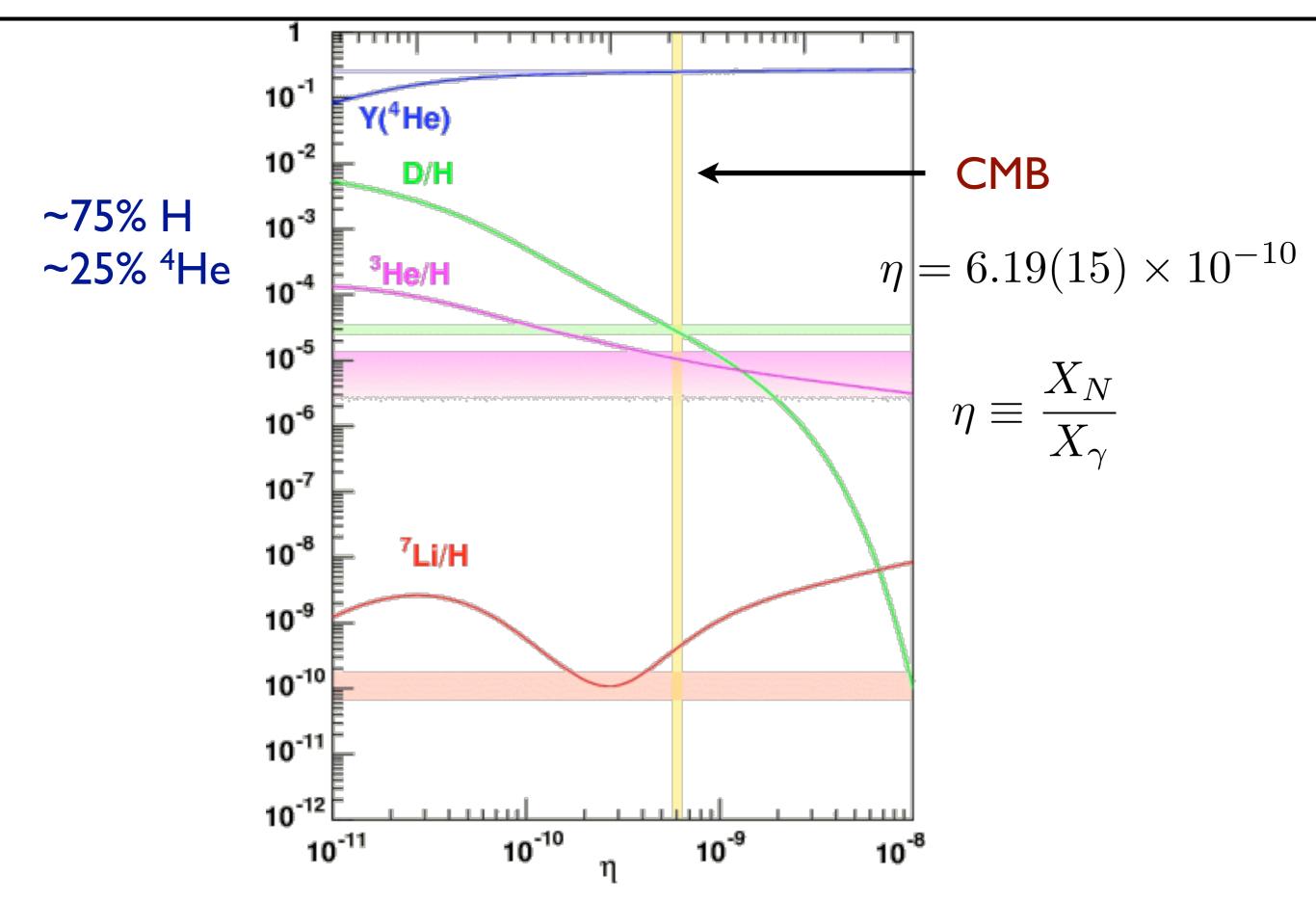
$$\eta \equiv \frac{X_N}{X_\gamma}$$





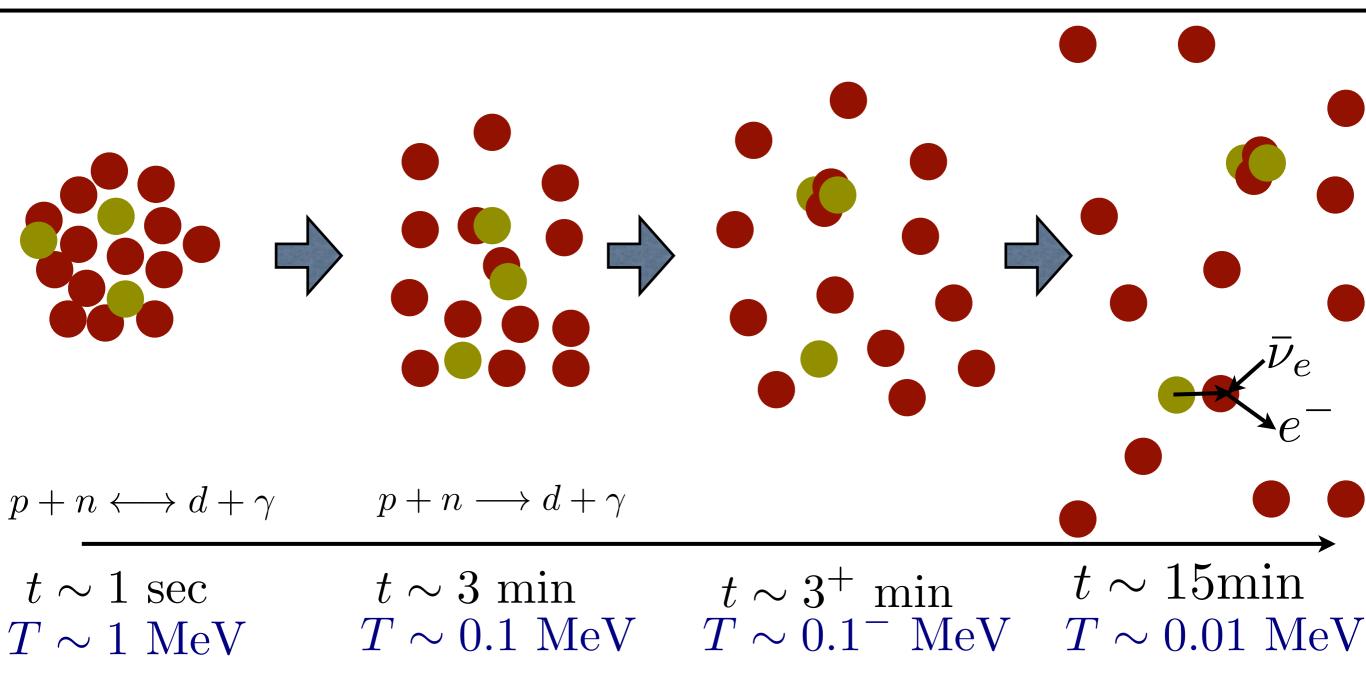
Abundance of light nuclear elements versus cosmic time after Big Bang.
Something special is happening around 3 min.





"The violent Universe: the Big Bang" review by Keith A. Olive arXiv:1005.3955

The number of active neutrino species in the early universe is an adjustable parameter in BBN. If one changes  $n_{\nu}=3 \rightarrow \{2,4\}$  the predicted abundances from BBN no longer match the observed abundances G. Steigman arXiv:0807.3004



$$\frac{X_n}{X_p} = e^{-\frac{M_n - M_p}{T}}$$

Initial conditions

 $B_d$ 

deuterium
binding energy

 $au_n$ neutron

M<sub>n</sub> - M<sub>p</sub> plays an extremely significant role in the evolution of the universe as we know it

Initial conditions for Big Bang Nucleosynthesis (BBN)

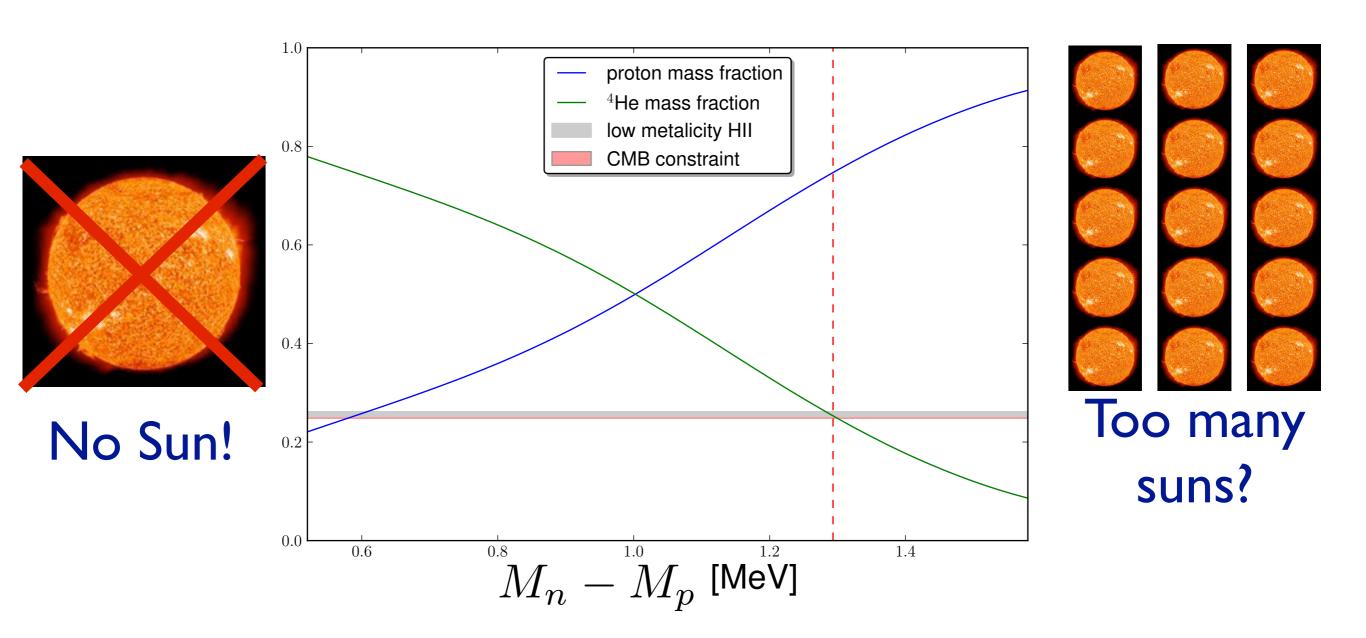
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The neutron lifetime is highly sensitive to the value of this mass splitting

$$\frac{1}{\tau_n} = \frac{(G_F \cos\theta_C)^2}{2\pi^3} m_e^5 (1 + 3g_A^2) f\left(\frac{M_n - M_p}{m_e}\right)$$
 Point Nucleons  $f(a) \simeq \frac{1}{15} \left(2a^4 - 9a^2 - 8\right) \sqrt{a^2 - 1} + a \ln\left(a + \sqrt{a^2 - 1}\right)$ 

Griffiths "Introduction to Elementary Particles"

10% change in  $M_n-M_p$  corresponds to ~100% change neutron lifetime



- Nature:  $M_n M_p = 1.29333217(42) \; \mathrm{MeV}$  CODATA
- Standard Model has two sources of isospin breaking

$$\hat{Q} = \frac{1}{6} \mathbb{1} + \frac{1}{2} \tau_3 \qquad m_q = \hat{m} \mathbb{1} - \delta \tau_3$$

Given only electro-static forces, one would predict

$$M_p > M_n$$

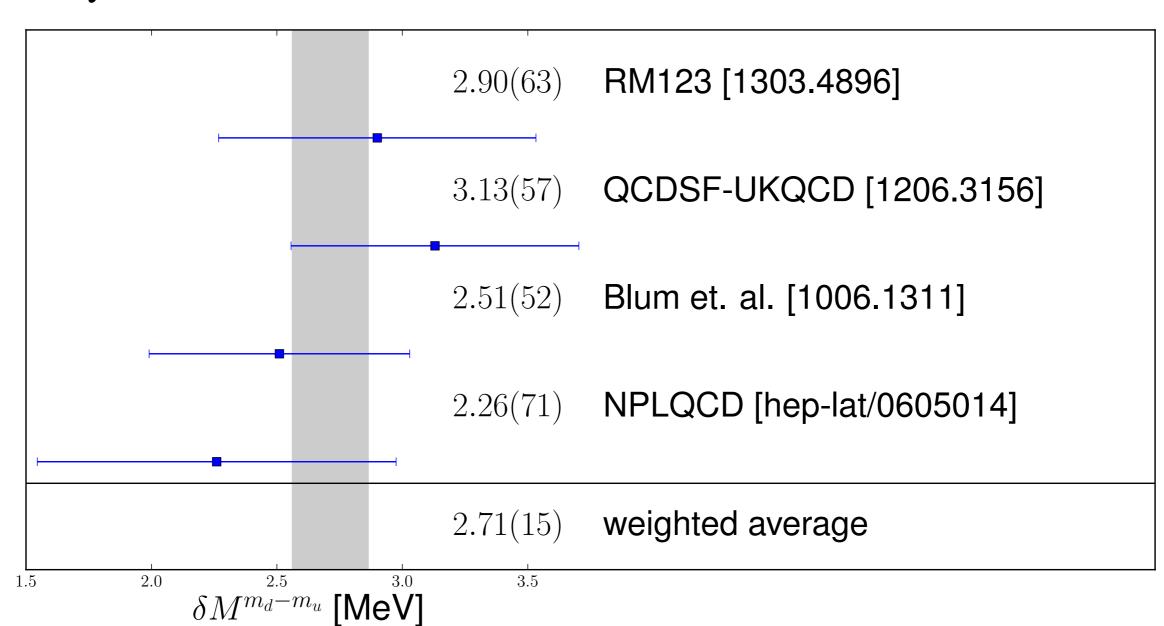
The contribution from  $m_d-m_u$  is comparable in size but opposite in sign

#### $M_n - M_p$

- We would like to understand the Neutron-Proton mass splitting from first principles
- $M_n M_p = \delta M^\gamma + \delta M^{m_d m_u}$  Separation only valid at LO in isospin breaking
- $\bullet$   $\delta M^{m_d-m_u}$  Well understood from lattice QCD
  - $\delta M^{\gamma}$  Disparate scales relevant for QCD and QED make this a very challenging problem to solve with LQCD: large systematic uncertainties
- Alternative means to determine  $\delta M^{\gamma}$  Cottingham Formulation

#### $M_n - M_p$

 $\delta M_{LQCD}^{m_d - m_u} = 2.71(15) \text{ MeV}$ 



#### $M_n - M_D$

$$\delta M_{LQCD}^{m_d-m_u} = 2.71(15) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\delta M^{\gamma} = -0.76(30)~{
m MeV}~{
m Gasser\,\&\,Leutwyler}$$

Nucl. Phys. B94 (1975)

Phys. Rept. 87 (1982) "Quark Masses"

central value from elastic contribution

uncertainty from estimates of inelastic contributions

Experiment & lattice QCD

$$\delta M_{n-p}^{phys} - \delta M_{LQCD}^{m_d - m_u} = -1.42(15) \text{ MeV}$$

Can we improve our understanding of these contributions?

Of course!

$$\delta M_{p-n}^{\gamma} = \alpha_{f.s.} \times f_{p-n}(QCD, QED)$$

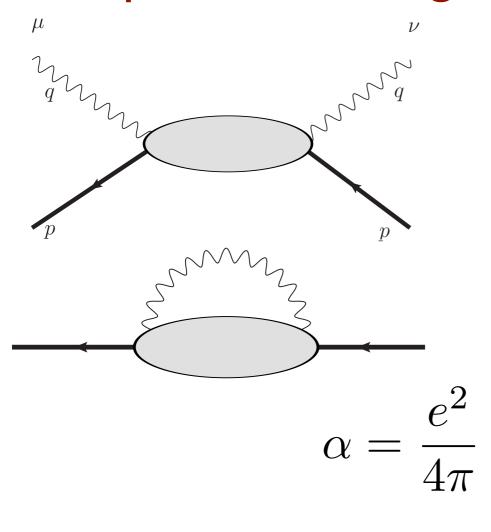
Walker-Loud, Carlson, Miller PRL 108 (2012) [arXiv:1203.0254]

$$\delta M^{\gamma} = \delta M^{el} + \delta M^{inel} + \delta M^{sub} + \delta M^{ct}$$
 elastic inelastic unknown counter-term subtraction renormalization precisely newly newly determined determined determined by (precisely) (imprecisely) J.C. Collins 
$$\delta M_{p-n}^{\gamma} = 1.30(03)(47) \; \mathrm{MeV}$$
 
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 Gasser & Leutwyler 
$$\delta M_{p-n}^{phys} - \delta M_{LQCD}^{m_d-m_u} = 1.42(15) \; \mathrm{MeV}$$
 Experiment & LQCD

- Updating G&L result uncovered a "technical oversight"
  - The application of the Cottingham Formula requires the use of a subtracted dispersion integral.
  - Gasser & Leutwyler had an argument to evade the unknown subtraction function.
  - The argument was based on incorrect assumptions about QCD scaling violations predicted by the parton model
  - this has gone (mostly) unnoticed since 1982

#### electromagnetic correction

# determined from Compton Scattering



$$T_{\mu\nu} = \frac{i}{2} \sum_{\sigma} \int d^4\xi \ e^{iq\cdot\xi} \langle p\sigma | T \{J_{\mu}(\xi)J_{\nu}(0)\} | p\sigma \rangle$$

$$\delta M^{\gamma} = \frac{i}{2M} \frac{\alpha}{(2\pi)^3} \int_{\mathbb{R}} d^4q \frac{T^{\mu}_{\mu}(p,q)}{q^2 + i\epsilon}$$

Integral diverges and must be renormalized

#### electromagnetic correction

Cini, Ferrari, Gato PRL 2 (1959)

Cottingham Annals Phys 25 (1963)

Gasser, Leutwyler Nucl. Phys. B94 (1975)

**Collins** Nucl. Phys. B149 (1979)

Gasser, Leutwyler Phys. Rept 87 (1982)

AWL, C.Carlson, G.Miller PRL 108 (2012)

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• Wick rotate  $q^0 o i \nu$  variable transform  $Q^2 = {f q}^2 + 
u^2$ 

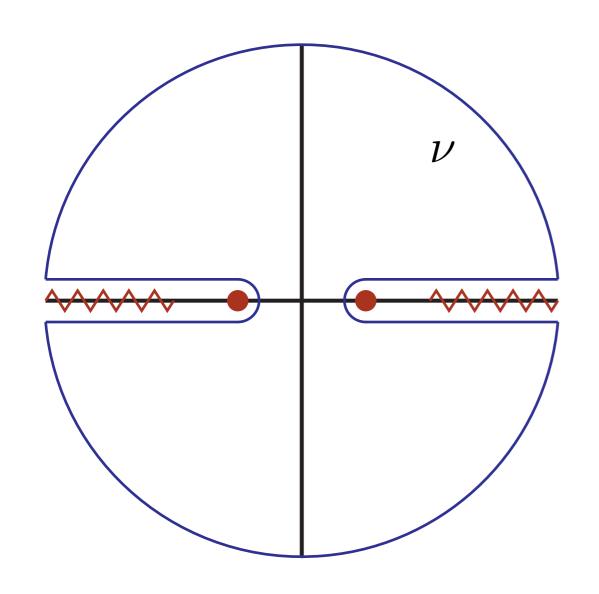
$$\delta M^{\gamma} = \frac{\alpha}{8\pi^2} \int_0^{\Lambda^2} dQ^2 \int_{-Q}^{+Q} \frac{\sqrt{Q^2 - \nu^2}}{Q^2} \frac{T^{\mu}_{\mu}}{M} + \delta M^{ct}(\Lambda)$$

$$T^{\mu}_{\mu} = -3T_1(i\nu, Q^2) + \left(1 - \frac{\nu^2}{Q^2}\right)T_2(i\nu, Q^2),$$
 (7a)

$$= -3Q^2 t_1(i\nu, Q^2) + \left(1 + 2\frac{\nu^2}{Q^2}\right) Q^2 t_2(i\nu, Q^2).$$
 (7b)

use dispersion integrals to evaluate scalar functions

$$T_{1,2}(i\nu, Q^2)$$
  
 $[t_{1,2}(i\nu, Q^2)]$ 



dispersion integral = Cauchy contour integral

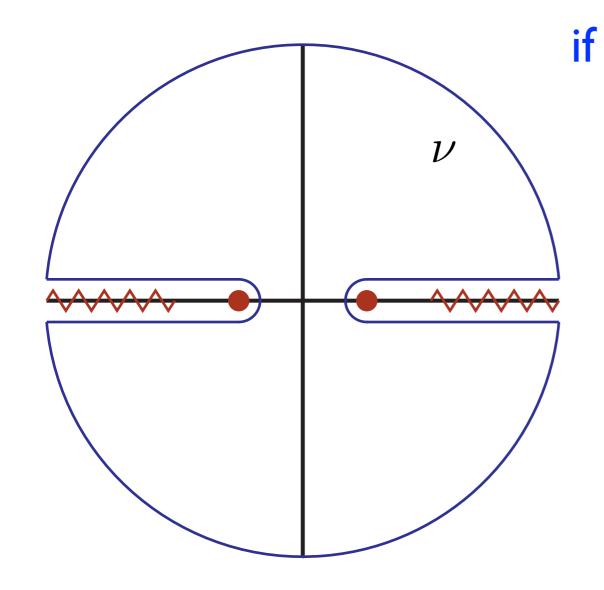
$$T_i(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \oint d\nu' \frac{T_i(\nu', Q^2)}{\nu' - \nu}$$

#### **Crossing Symmetric**

$$T_i(\nu, Q^2) = T_i(-\nu, Q^2)$$

$$T_i(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\nu_t}^{\infty} d\nu' \frac{2\nu'}{(\nu')^2 - \nu^2} 2 \text{Im} T_i(\nu' + i\epsilon, Q^2)$$

(provided contour and infinity vanishes)



if contour at infinity does not vanish subtracted dispersion integral

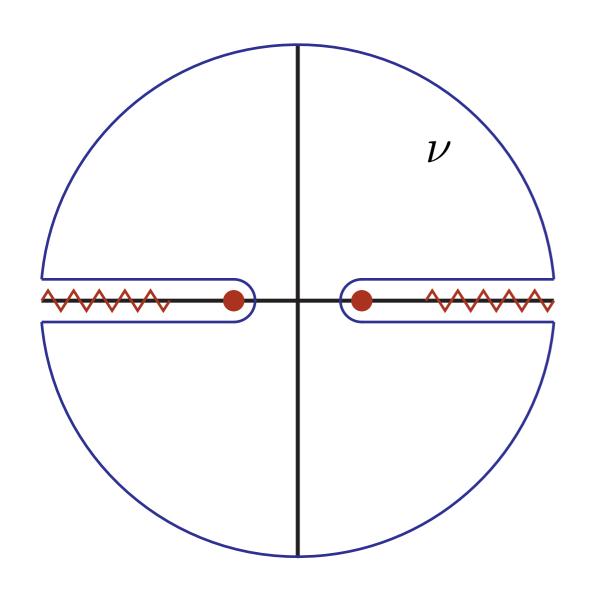
$$g(\nu) = \frac{T_i(\nu, Q^2)}{\nu^2}$$

introduces new pole at  $\nu=0$  which you need to subtract

$$T_i(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{\nu^2}{2\pi} \int_{\nu_t}^{\infty} d\nu' \frac{2\nu'}{\nu'^2(\nu'^2 - \nu^2)} 2 \operatorname{Im} T_i(\nu' + i\epsilon, Q^2) + T_i(0, Q^2)$$

measured experimentally

unknown function



It is known that

$$T_2(\nu, Q^2) \quad [t_2(\nu, Q^2)]$$

satisfies unsubtracted dispersion

integral while

$$T_1(\nu, Q^2) \quad [t_1(\nu, Q^2)]$$

requires a subtraction

Regge behavior

$$\operatorname{Im} t_1[T_1]\Big|_{p-n} \propto \nu^{1/2}$$

H. Harari: PRL 17 (1966)

H.D. Abarbanel S. Nussinov: Phys.Rev. 158 (1967)

Gasser and Leutwyler: Nucl Phys B94 (1975), Phys. Rept. 87 (1982)

at the time, introducing an unknown subtraction function would be disastrous for getting a precise value:

they provided an argument based upon the parton model to avoid the subtracted dispersive integral

$$\delta M_{p-n}^{\gamma} = 0.76(30) \text{ MeV}$$

central value: from elastic contribution

uncertainty: estimates of inelastic structure contributions

however, one can show assumptions they relied upon do not hold one must face the subtraction function

Gasser and Leutwyler: Nucl Phys B94 (1975), Phys. Rept. 87 (1982) how does the assumption break down?

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is there some motivation to pick  $t_i$  vs  $T_i$ ?

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in the point limit (electron)

$$t_1(\nu, Q^2) = 0!$$

for the nucleon (with motivated resummations) the elastic contribution is

$$t_1(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{2}{Q^2} \left[ \frac{Q^4 \frac{G_M^2 - G_E^2}{1 + \tau}}{(Q^2 - i\epsilon)^2 - 4M^2 \nu^2} - \left( F_1^2 - \frac{G_E^2 + \tau G_M^2}{1 + \tau} \right) \right]$$

$$\tau = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2}$$

"Fixed-Pole" missed by unsubtracted dispersion relation

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numerically, this term is negligible

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$$Q^2$$
 fixed,  $\nu \to \infty$ 

$$\operatorname{Im} t_1(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{\pi M \nu}{Q^4} \left[ 2x F_1(x, Q^2) - F_2(x, Q^2) \right] \qquad x = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu}$$

in the strict DIS limit: Callan-Gross relation

$$2xF_1(x) - F_2(x) = 0$$

Gasser and Leutwyler relied on the assumption  $H_1(x)$  Parton Model  $2xF_1(x,Q^2)-F_2(x,Q^2)=\frac{H_1(x)}{O}$ 

if this were true, their argument would go through, however...

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Zee, Wilczek and Treiman Phys. Rev. D10 (1974)

$$2xF_1(x) - F_2(x) = \frac{-32}{9} \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{4\pi} F_2(x)$$
 QCD

This criticism first given by

J.C. Collins: Nucl. Phys. B149 (1979)

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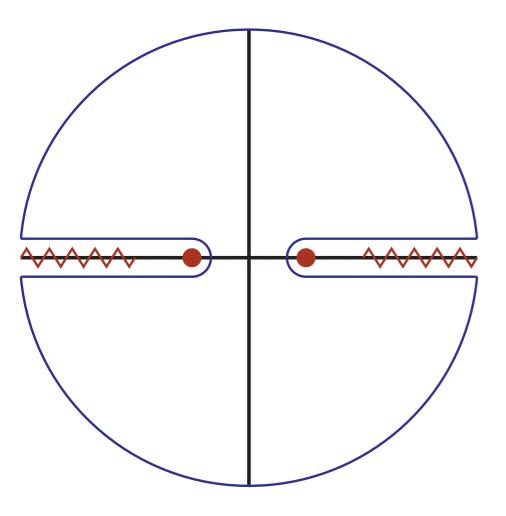
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 fixed,  $\nu \to \infty$ 

$$\lim_{x \to 0} F_2^{p-n}(x) \propto x^{1/2} \qquad x = \frac{Q^2}{2M\nu}$$

$$\operatorname{Im} t_1^{p-n}(\nu, Q^2) \propto \alpha_s(Q^2) \frac{\sqrt{M\nu}}{Q^3}$$

$$t_1(\nu, Q^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\nu_t}^{\infty} 2\nu' d\nu' \frac{2\text{Im}t_1(\nu' + i\epsilon, Q^2)}{(\nu')^2 - \nu^2}$$



Regge Limit fixed  $Q^2$   $\nu \to \infty$ 

$$\operatorname{Im} t_1^{p-n}(\nu, Q^2) \propto \alpha_s(Q^2) \frac{\sqrt{M\nu}}{Q^3}$$

unavoidable

integrand at infinite contour scales as  $1/\sqrt{\nu}$  subtracted dispersion integral is

evaluation of various contributions

perform once subtracted dispersion integral for  $T_1(t_1)$  and unsubtracted dispersion integral for  $T_2(t_2)$ 

$$\delta M^{\gamma} = \delta M^{el} + \delta M^{inel} + \delta M^{sub} + \delta \tilde{M}^{ct}$$

$$\delta M^{el} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^{\Lambda_0^2} dQ \left\{ \frac{3\sqrt{\tau_{el}} G_M^2}{2(1+\tau_{el})} + \frac{\left[G_E^2 - 2\tau_{el} G_M^2\right]}{1+\tau_{el}} \left[ (1+\tau_{el})^{3/2} - \tau_{el}^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{\tau_{el}} \right] \right\}$$

$$\delta M^{inel} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^{\Lambda_0^2} \frac{dQ^2}{2Q} \int_{\nu_{th}}^{\infty} d\nu \left\{ \frac{3F_1(\nu, Q^2)}{M} \left[ \frac{\tau^{3/2} - \tau \sqrt{1 + \tau} + \sqrt{\tau}/2}{\tau} \right] \right. \qquad \tau_{el} = \frac{Q^2}{4M^2} + \frac{F_2(\nu, Q^2)}{\nu} \left[ (1 + \tau)^{3/2} - \tau^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\tau} \right] \right\}, \qquad \tau = \frac{\nu^2}{Q^2}$$

$$\delta M^{sub} = -\frac{3\alpha}{16\pi M} \int_0^{\Lambda_0^2} dQ^2 T_1(0, Q^2),$$

$$\delta \tilde{M}^{ct} = -\frac{3\alpha}{16\pi M} \int_{\Lambda_0^2}^{\Lambda_1^2} dQ^2 \sum_i C_{1,i} \langle \mathcal{O}^{i,0} \rangle, \quad \text{OPE: operators and Wilson coeffic.}$$
J.C. Collins: Nucl. Phys. B149 (1979)

#### elastic contribution: use well measured form factors

$$\delta M^{el} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^{\Lambda_0^2} dQ \left\{ \frac{3\sqrt{\tau_{el}} G_M^2}{2(1+\tau_{el})} + \frac{\left[G_E^2 - 2\tau_{el} G_M^2\right]}{1+\tau_{el}} \left[ (1+\tau_{el})^{3/2} - \tau_{el}^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{\tau_{el}} \right] \right\}$$

$$\delta M^{el}\Big|_{p-n} = 1.39(02) \text{ MeV}$$

- insensitive to value of  $\ \Lambda_0$  since form factors fall as  $1/Q^4$
- uncertainty from Monte Carlo evaluation of parameters describing form factors

central values: 
$$\Lambda_0^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$$

uncertainties:  $1.5 \text{ GeV}^2 \leq \Lambda_0^2 \leq 2.5 \text{ GeV}^2$ 

inelastic terms: use modern knowledge of structure functions to improve determination of inelastic contributions

$$\delta M^{inel} = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi M} \int_0^{\Lambda_0^2} \frac{dQ^2}{Q} \int_{W_{th}}^{\infty} dW^2 \left\{ \frac{3F_1(\nu, Q^2)}{M} \left[ \frac{\tau^{3/2} - \tau\sqrt{1+\tau} + \sqrt{\tau}/2}{\tau} \right] + \frac{F_2(\nu, Q^2)}{\nu} \left[ (1+\tau)^{3/2} - \tau^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{\tau} \right] \right\}$$

$$\delta M^{inel}\big|_{p-n} = 0.057(16) \text{ MeV}$$

contributions from two regions:

scaling region

resonance region Bosted and Christy: Phys.Rev. C77, C81

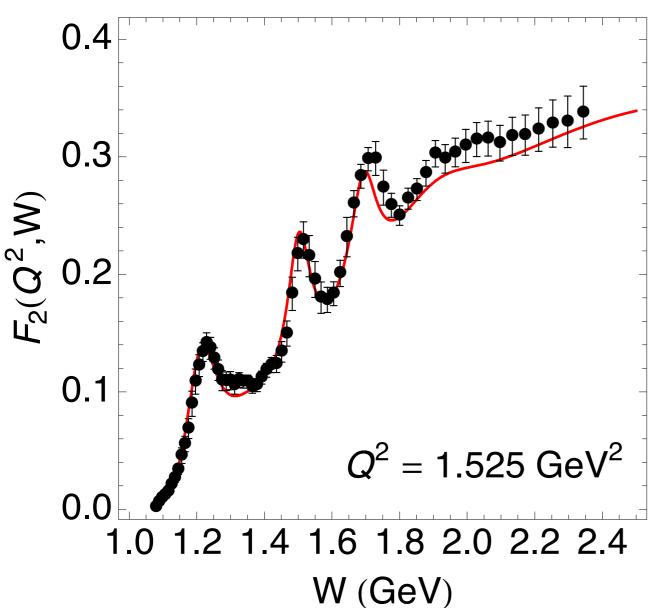
Capella et al: PLB 337

Sibirtsev et al: Phys. Rev. D82

uncertainty dominated by choice of transition between two regions

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$$+ \frac{F_2(\nu, Q^2)}{\nu} \left[ (1+\tau)^{3/2} - \tau^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\tau} \right]$$

F<sub>2</sub> data from JLAB resonance fit:

Bosted and Christy: Phys.Rev. C77, C81

$$\tau = \nu^2 / Q^2 \qquad W_{th}^2 = (M + m_\pi)^2$$
$$W^2 = M^2 + 2M\nu - Q^2$$

renormalization: [J.C. Collins Nucl. Phys. B149 (1979)] one can show the contribution from the operator is numerically second order in isospin breaking with Naive Dimensional Analysis and suitable renormalization (dim. reg.)

quark mass operator renormalizes EM self-energy: can not cleanly separate these two contributions (but mixing is higher order in isospin breaking)

renormalization: [J.C. Collins Nucl. Phys. B149 (1979)]

$$\delta M_{UV}^{\gamma} \sim \frac{3\alpha_{f.s.}}{16\pi M} \int_{\Lambda^2}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{M^2}{Q^2} \int_0^1 dx \Big( 2x F_1(x) + F_2(x) \Big) - T_1(0, Q^2) \right]$$
subtraction function

- use OPE to connect to perturbative QCD
- log divergence arising from  $2xF_1(x)+F_2(x)$  exactly cancels against log divergence from  $T_1(0,Q^2)$
- counter term comes entirely from subtraction function

renormalization: [J.C. Collins Nucl. Phys. B149 (1979)]

$$\delta M^{\gamma} = \frac{3\alpha_{f.s.}}{16\pi M} \left\{ \int_{0}^{\mu^{2}} \frac{dQ^{2}}{Q^{2}} f(Q^{2}) + \lim_{\Lambda^{2} \to \infty} \left[ \int_{\mu^{2}}^{\Lambda^{2}} \frac{dQ^{2}}{Q^{2}} \left( f(Q^{2}) + \sum_{i} C_{1,i}^{0} \langle \mathcal{O}^{i,0} \rangle \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$\langle N | \sum_{i} C_{1,i}^{0} \overline{\mathcal{O}}^{i,0} | N \rangle_{p-n} = \frac{2}{Q^{2}} (e_{u}^{2} m_{u} - e_{d}^{2} m_{d}) \langle p | \bar{u}u - \bar{d}d | p \rangle$$

- $lacktriangleq \ln(\Lambda^2)$  divergence exactly cancels
- lacktriangle residual dependence on scale  $\mu$
- use Naive Dimensional Analysis to estimate size

renormalization: [J.C. Collins Nucl. Phys. B149 (1979)]

$$\delta \tilde{M}^{ct} = -\frac{3\alpha}{4\pi} \sigma_{\pi N} \ln \left(\frac{\Lambda_1^2}{\Lambda_0^2}\right) \frac{3\hat{m} - 5\delta}{9\hat{m}} \frac{\langle p|\bar{u}u - \bar{d}d|p\rangle}{\langle p|\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d|p\rangle}$$

$$\sigma_{\pi N} = \frac{1}{2M} \langle p | \hat{m} (\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d) | p \rangle \simeq 45 \text{ MeV}$$

saturate matrix elements in valence limit

$$\frac{\langle p|\bar{u}u - dd|p\rangle}{\langle p|\bar{u}u + \bar{d}d|p\rangle} \le \frac{1}{3}$$

vary arbitrary scales in scaling region

$$\Lambda_0^2 = 2 \text{ GeV}^2$$
,  $\Lambda_1^2 = 100 \text{ GeV}^2$ 

$$|\delta \tilde{M}^{ct}| \lesssim 0.02 \text{ MeV}$$

# subtraction term: most challenging part - dealing with unknown subtraction function

$$\delta M^{sub} = -\frac{3\alpha}{16\pi M} \int_0^{\Lambda_0^2} dQ^2 T_1(0, Q^2),$$

low energy: constrained by effective field theory

$$T_1(0, Q^2) = 2\kappa(2 + \kappa) - Q^2 \left\{ \frac{2}{3} \left[ (1 + \kappa)^2 r_M^2 - r_E^2 \right] + \frac{\kappa}{M^2} - 2M \frac{\beta_M}{\alpha} \right\} + \mathcal{O}(Q^4) ,$$

most of these contributions come from Low Energy Theorems and are "elastic" (arising from a photon striking an on-shell nucleon)

intimately related to the proton size puzzle which suffers from the same subtracted dispersive problem

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K. Pachucki: Phys. Rev. A53 (1996); A. Pineda: Phys. Rev. C67 (2003); Phys. Rev. C71 (2005);
R.J. Hill, G. Paz: PRL 107 (2011); C. Carlson, M. Vanderhaeghen: Phys. Rev. A84 (2011); arXiv1109.3779;
M.. Birse, J. McGovern: arXiv:1206.3030
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high energy: OPE (perturbative QCD) constrains

$$\lim_{Q^2 \to \infty} T_1(0, Q^2) \propto \frac{1}{Q^2}$$

$$T_1(0, Q^2) \simeq 2G_M^2(Q^2) - 2F_1^2(Q^2) + Q^2 2M \frac{\beta_M}{\alpha} \left(\frac{m_0^2}{m_0^2 + Q^2}\right)^2$$

 $\mathcal{O}(Q^4)$  inelastic terms known

Birse and McGovern Eur. Phys. J A48 (2012) [arXiv:1206.3030]

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$$\delta M_{el}^{sub} = -\frac{3\alpha}{16\pi M} \int_{0}^{\Lambda_{0}^{2}} dQ^{2} \left[ 2G_{M}^{2} - 2F_{1}^{2} \right], \qquad \delta M_{el}^{sub} \Big|_{p-n} = -0.62 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\delta M_{inel}^{sub} = -\frac{3\beta_{M}}{8\pi} \int_{0}^{\Lambda_{0}^{2}} dQ^{2} Q^{2} \left( \frac{m_{0}^{2}}{m_{0}^{2} + Q^{2}} \right)^{2}$$

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taking 
$$m_0^2 = 0.71 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$\delta M_{inel}^{sub} \Big|_{p-n} = 0.47 \pm 0.47 \text{ MeV}$$

#### adding it all up:

$$\delta M^{\gamma}|_{p-n} = +1.39(02)$$
  $= 0.77(03) \ {
m MeV}$  elastic terms  $+0.057(16)$  inelastic terms  $+0.47(47) \ {
m MeV}$  unknown subtraction term  $= 1.30(.03)(.47) \ {
m MeV}$ 

recall the fixed pole in the elastic contribution makes a negligible contribtion

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We reduced the uncertainty from structure by an order of magnitude! But we uncovered an oversight that dominates the uncertainty :(

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#### expectation from experiment + lattice QCD

$$\delta M_{p-n}^{\gamma} = -1.29333217(42) + \underline{2.71(15)} \text{ MeV}$$
  
= 1.42(15) MeV

average of 4 independent lattice results

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compute  $\beta_M^{p,n}$  from lattice QCD

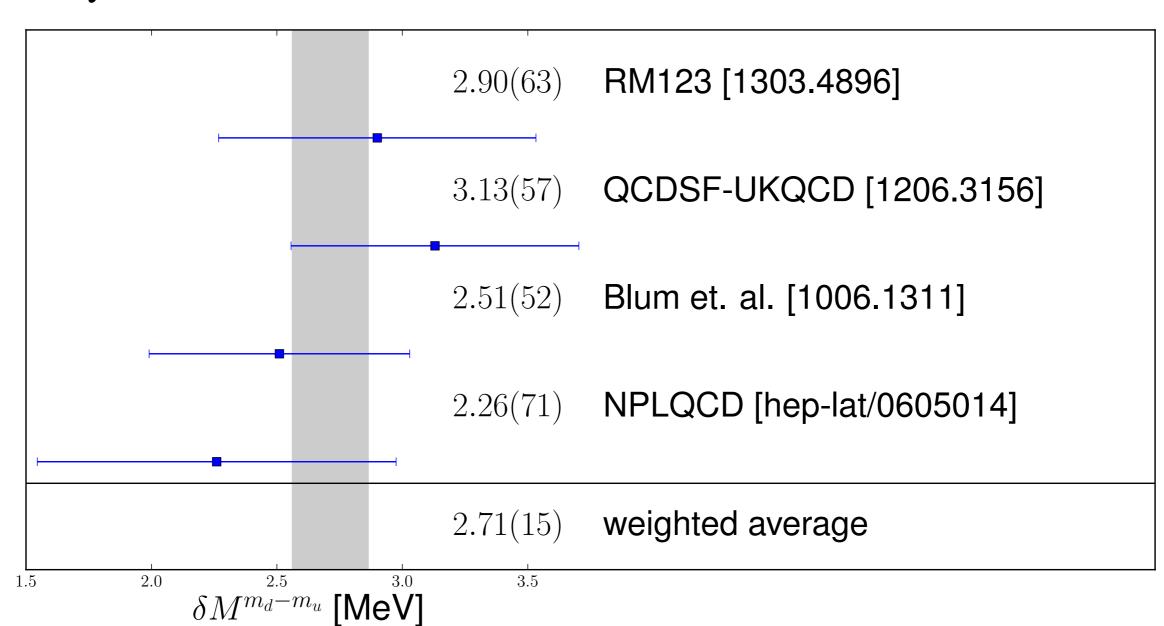
Then, one must improve the modeling of intermediate Q<sup>2</sup>



$$\delta M_{n-p}^{m_d - m_u} = \alpha (m_d - m_u)$$

## $M_n - M_p$

 $\delta M_{LQCD}^{m_d - m_u} = 2.71(15) \text{ MeV}$ 



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lattice average

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But in lattice calculation  $m_u = m_d = m_l$ ?

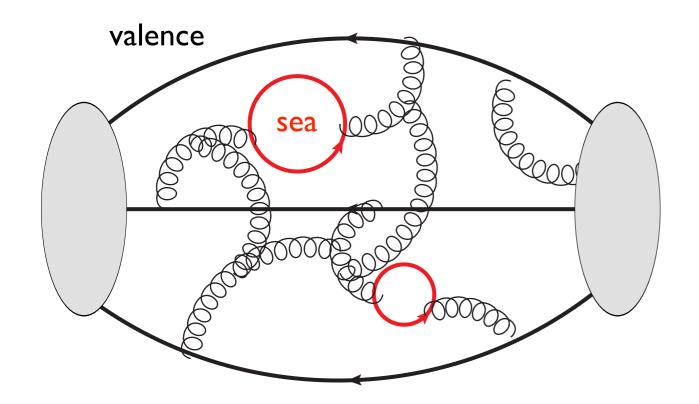
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"partially quenched" lattice
QCD trick that works on the
computer but introduces error
which must be corrected

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can we improve this method?

of course!

"Symmetric breaking of isospin symmetry" AWL arXiv:0904.2404

#### "Symmetric breaking of isospin symmetry"

$$m_{u,d}^{sea} = m_l, \quad m_u^{valence} = m_l - \delta, \quad m_d^{valence} = m_l + \delta$$

$$\mathcal{Z}_{u,d} = \int DU_{\mu} \operatorname{Det}(D + m_l - \delta\tau_3) e^{-S[U_{\mu}]}$$

$$= \int DU_{\mu} \operatorname{Det}(D + m_l) \det\left(1 - \frac{\delta^2}{(D + m_l)^2}\right) e^{-S[U_{\mu}]}$$

Isospin symmetric quantities: error  $\mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$  Isospin violating quantities: error  $\mathcal{O}(\delta^3)$ 

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#### Pion Chiral Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{f^2}{8} \operatorname{tr} \left( \partial_{\mu} \Sigma \partial_{\mu} \Sigma^{\dagger} \right) - \frac{f^2}{8} \operatorname{tr} \left( \chi'^{\dagger} \Sigma + \Sigma^{\dagger} \chi' \right) - \frac{l_1}{4} \left[ \operatorname{tr} \left( \partial_{\mu} \Sigma \partial_{\mu} \Sigma^{\dagger} \right) \right]^2 - \frac{l_2}{4} \operatorname{tr} \left( \partial_{\mu} \Sigma \partial_{\nu} \Sigma^{\dagger} \right) \operatorname{tr} \left( \partial_{\mu} \Sigma \partial_{\nu} \Sigma^{\dagger} \right)$$

$$- \frac{l_3 + l_4}{16} \left[ \operatorname{tr} \left( \chi'^{\dagger} \Sigma + \Sigma^{\dagger} \chi' \right) \right]^2 + \frac{l_4}{8} \operatorname{tr} \left( \partial_{\mu} \Sigma \partial_{\mu} \Sigma^{\dagger} \right) \operatorname{tr} \left( \chi'^{\dagger} \Sigma + \Sigma^{\dagger} \chi' \right) - \frac{l_7}{16} \left[ \operatorname{tr} \left( \chi'^{\dagger} \Sigma - \Sigma^{\dagger} \chi' \right) \right]^2$$

$$m_{\pi^{\pm}}^2 = 2B m_l \left\{ 1 + \frac{m_{\pi}^2}{(4\pi f_{\pi})^2} \ln \left( \frac{m_{\pi}^2}{\mu^2} \right) + \frac{4m_{\pi}^2}{f_{\pi}^2} l_4^r(\mu) \right\} - \frac{\Delta_{PQ}^4}{2(4\pi f_{\pi})^2}$$

$$m_{\pi^0}^2 = m_{\pi^{\pm}}^2 + \frac{16B^2 \delta^2}{f_{\pi}^2} l_7$$

$$\Delta_{PQ}^2 = 2B\delta$$

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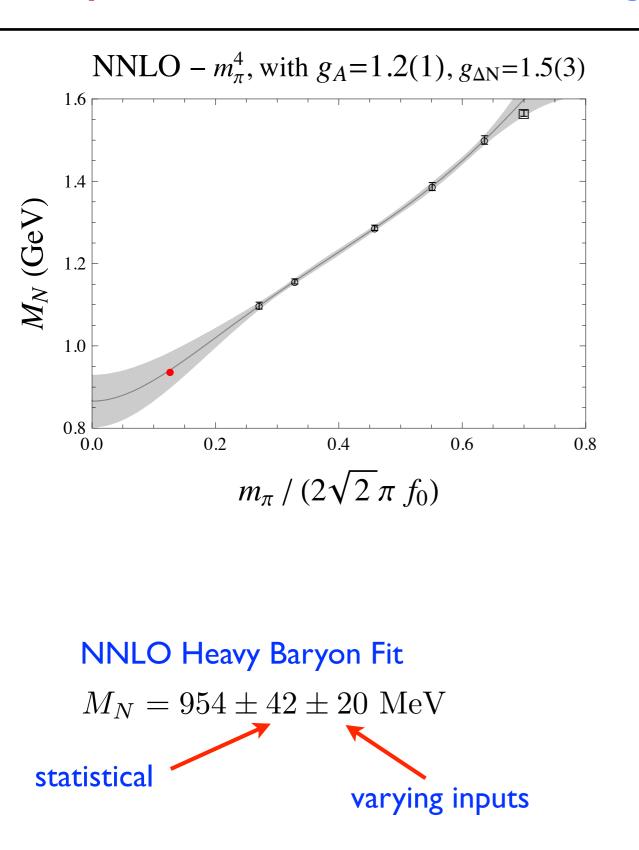
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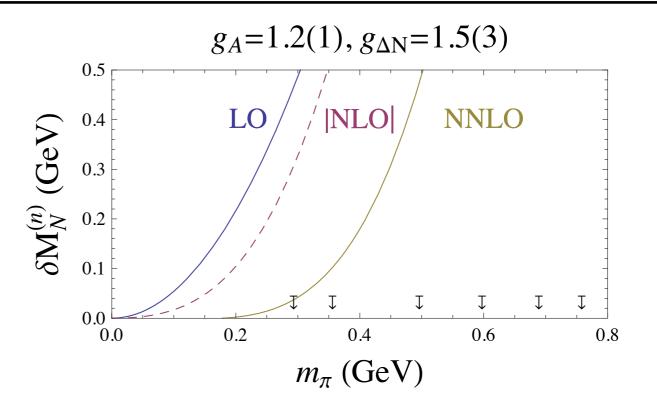
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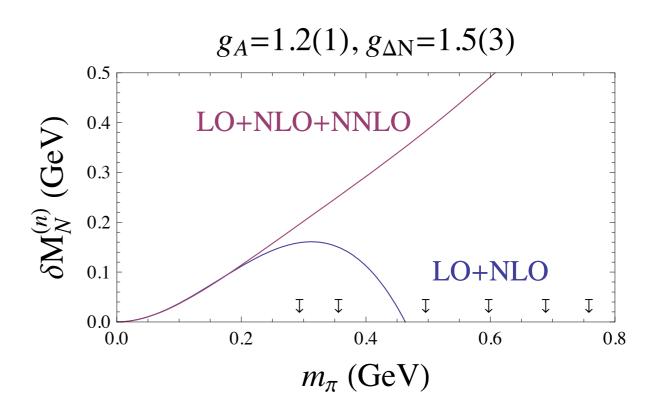
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#### Baryons in lattice QCD

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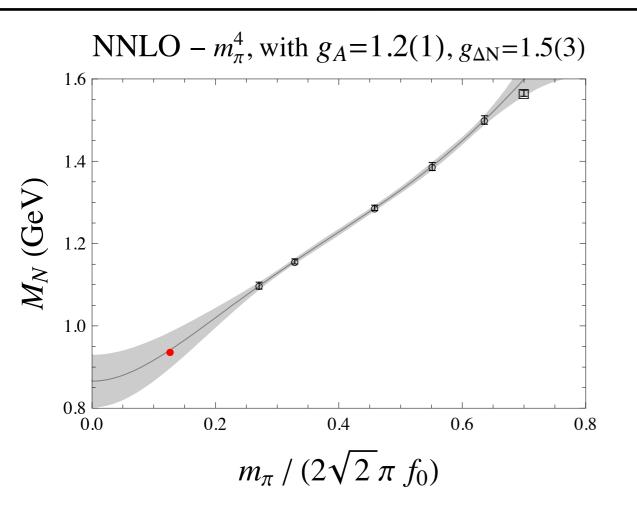


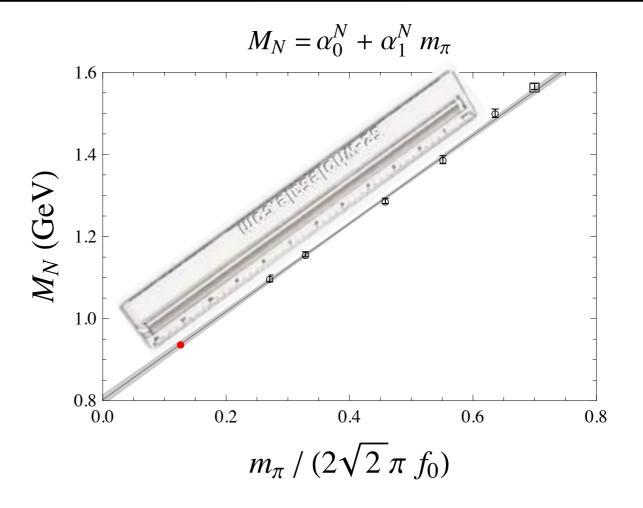


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#### NNLO Heavy Baryon Fit

$$M_N = 954 \pm 42 \pm 20 \text{ MeV}$$

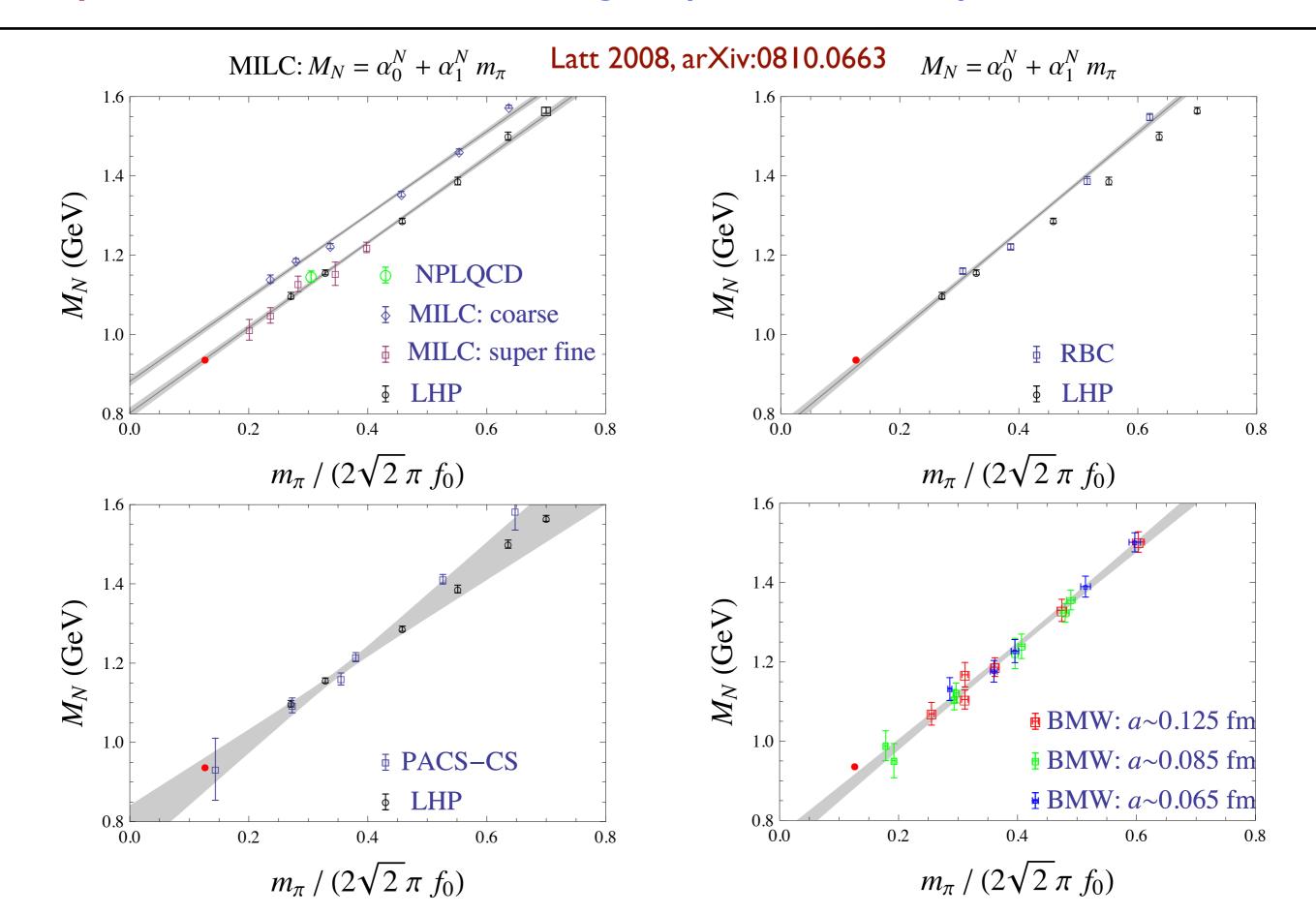
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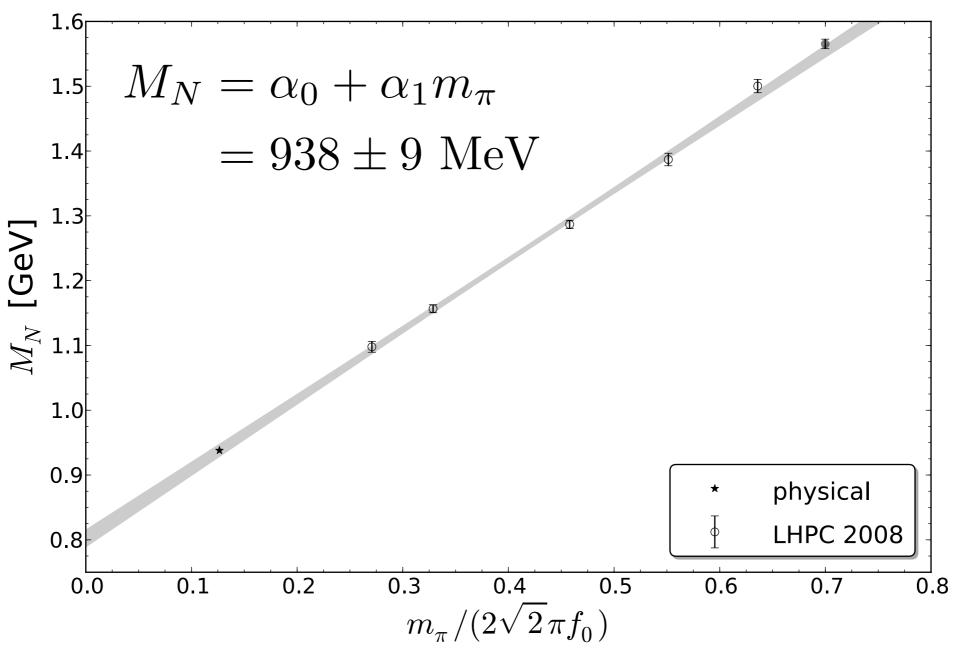
$$M_N = \alpha_0^N + \alpha_1^N m_{\pi}$$
$$= 938 \pm 9 \text{ MeV}$$

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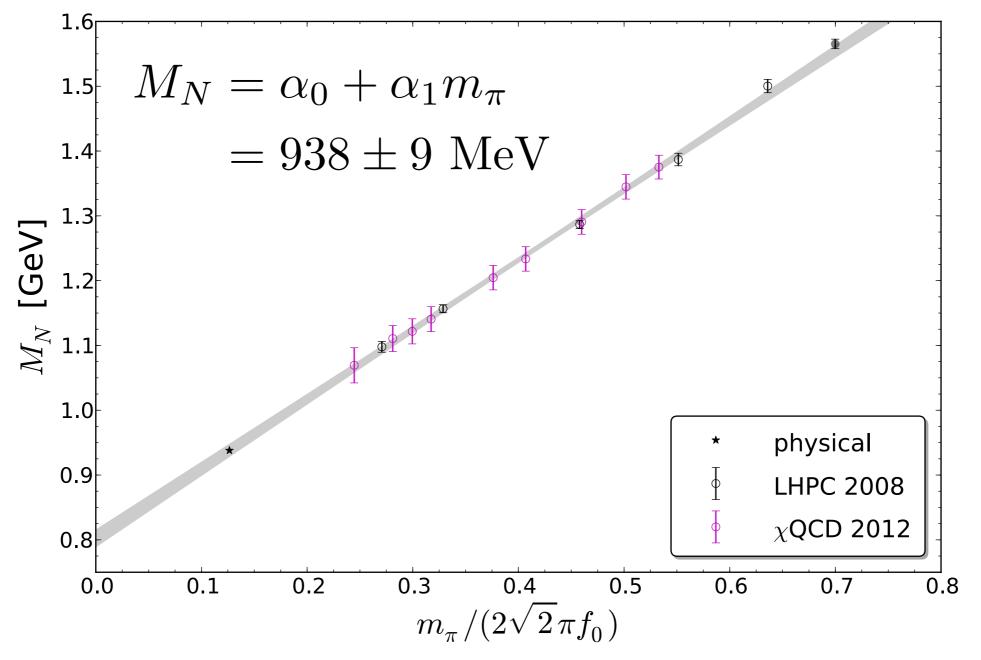
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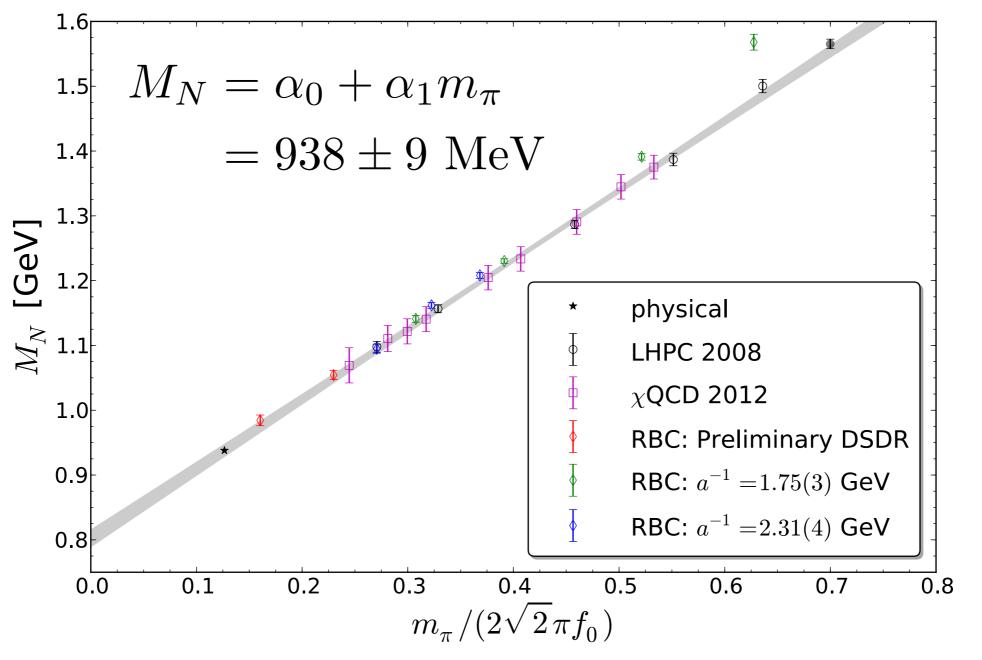




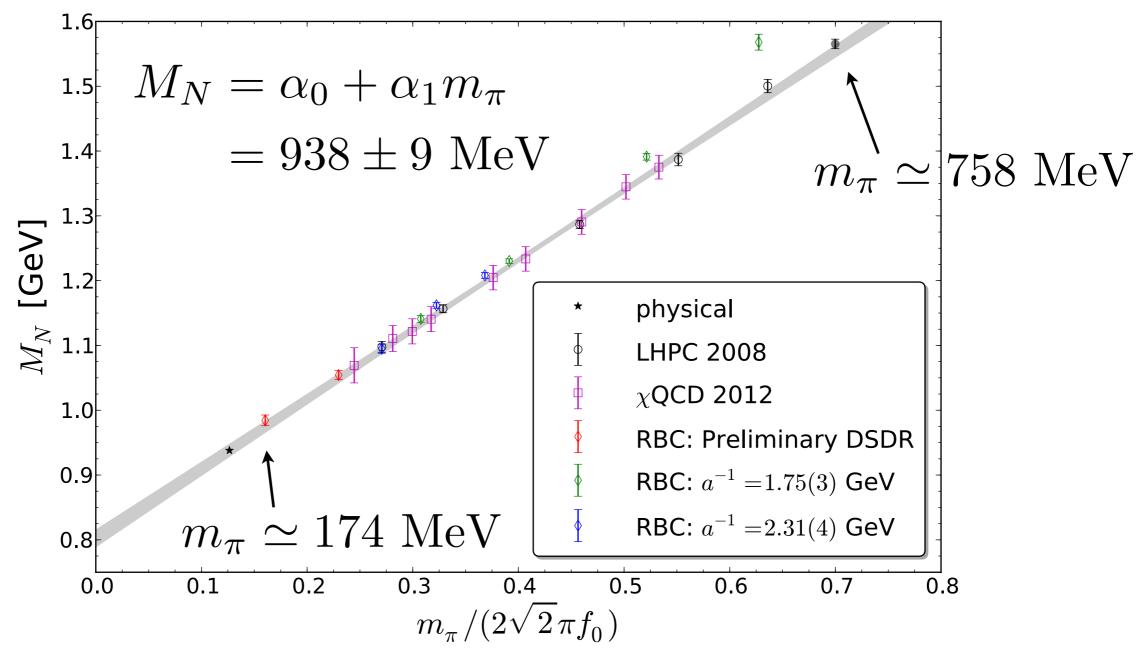
Physical point NOT included in fit



 $\chi {\rm QCD}$  Collaboration uses Overlap Valence fermions on Domain-Wall (RBC-UKQCD) sea fermions



RBC-UKQCD Collaboration uses Domain-Wall valence and sea fermions



Taking this seriously yields  $\sigma_{\pi N} = 67 \pm 4 \; \mathrm{MeV}$ 

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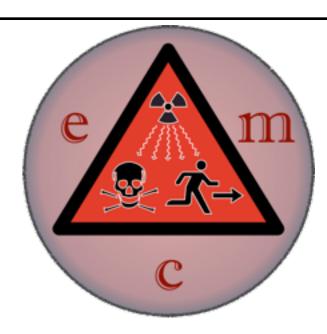
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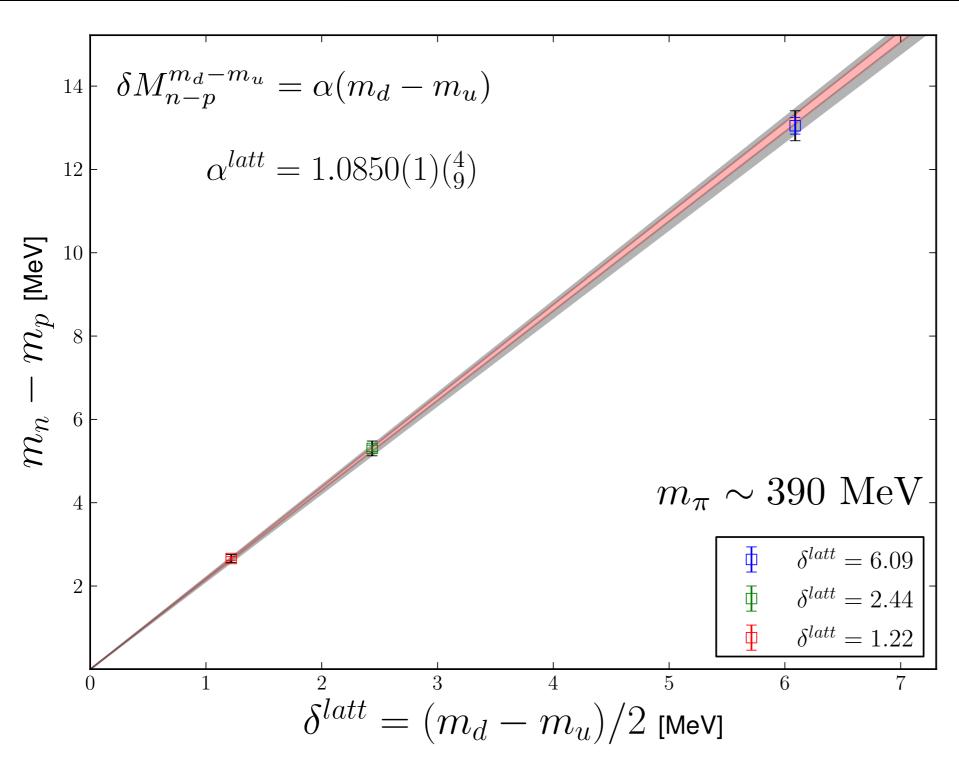
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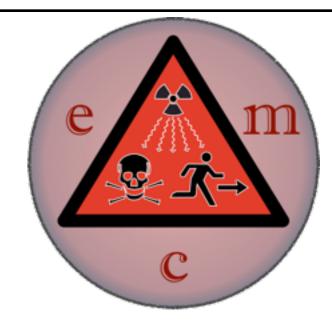
performed the lattice calculation using the Spectrum Collaboration anisotropic clover-Wilson gauge ensembles (developed @ JLAB)

ensemble	$m_{\pi}$ $m_{K}$	$a_t \delta \left[ N_{cfg} \times N_{src} \right]$
$L T a_t m_l a_t m_s$	[MeV] [MeV]	0.0002 0.0004 0.0010 0.0020
16 128 -0.0830 -0.0743	449 581	$207 \times 16 \ 207 \times 16 \ 207 \times 16 \ 207 \times 16$
16 128 -0.0840 -0.0743	390 546	$166 \times 25 \ 166 \times 25 \ 166 \times 25 \ 166 \times 50$
20 128 -0.0840 -0.0743	390 546	$120 \times 25$ – – –
24 128 -0.0840 -0.0743	390 546	$97 \times 25$ $ 193 \times 25$ $-$
32 256 -0.0840 -0.0743	390 546	$291 \times 10 \ 291 \times 10 \ 291 \times 10$ -
24 128 -0.0860 -0.0743	225 467	$118 \times 26$ — — — —
32 256 -0.0860 -0.0743	225 467	$842 \times 11$ – – –



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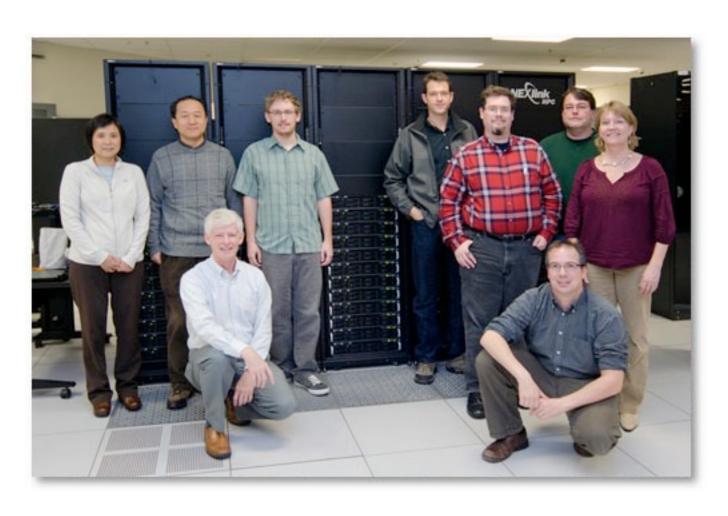


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This technique orders of magnitude less numerically expensive than using lattice QCD with full  $m_u^{sea} \neq m_d^{sea}$ 

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#### calculations performed at





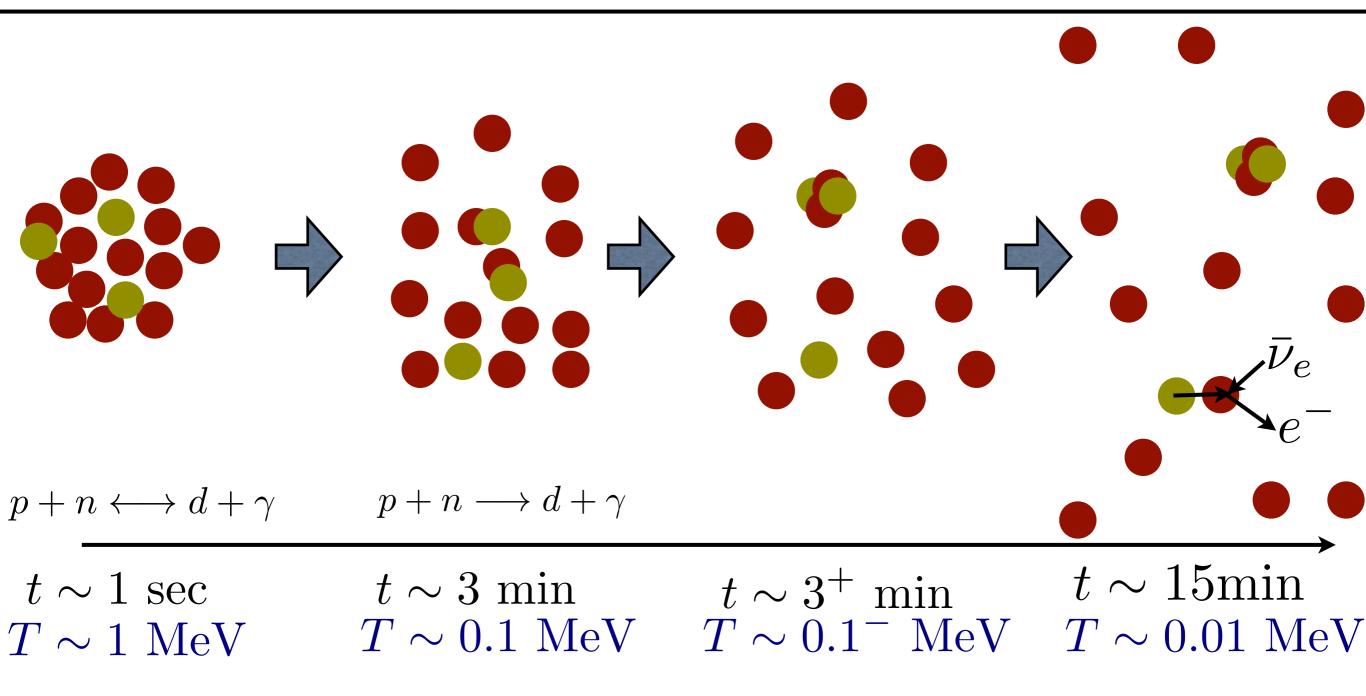
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Big Bang Nucleosynthesis highly constrains variation of  $M_n-M_p$  and hence variation of fundamental constants

considering  $\alpha_{f.s.}$  and  $m_d - m_u$  simultaneously relaxes constraints (not yet simultaneously considered)

for now - freeze electromagnetic coupling and just look at effects of quark mass splitting



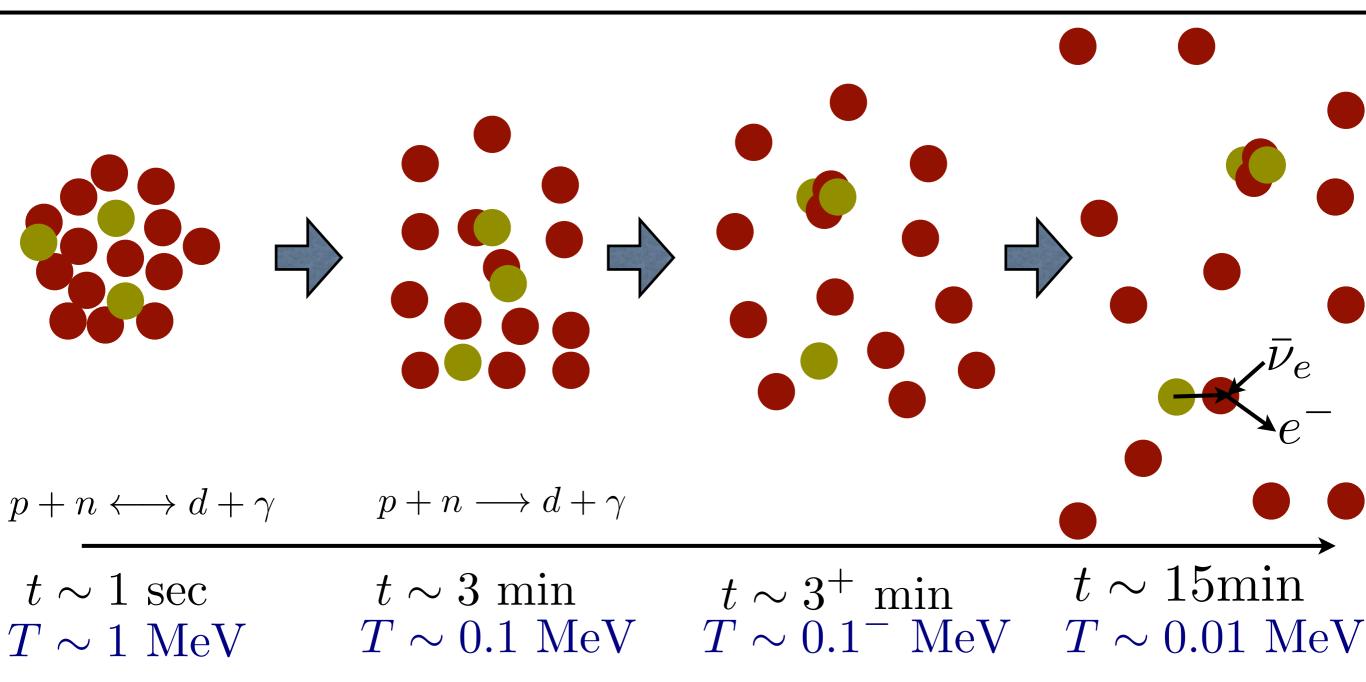
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Initial conditions

 $B_d$ 

deuterium
binding energy

 $au_n$ neutron

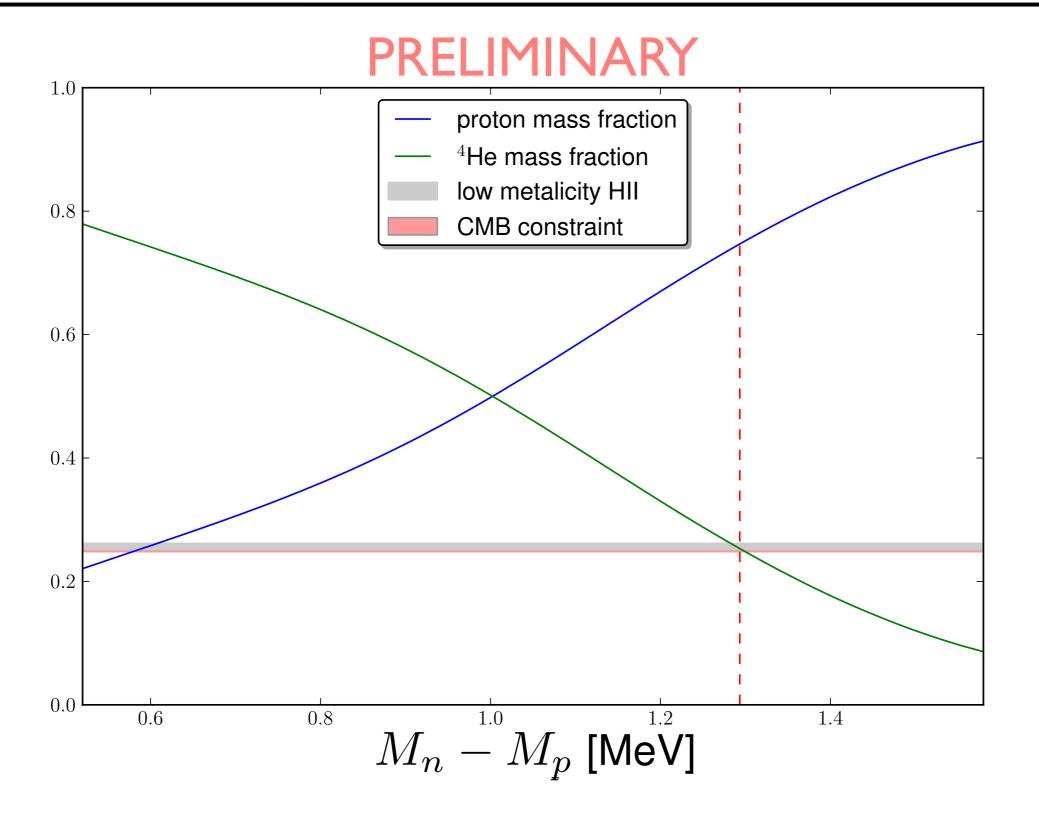


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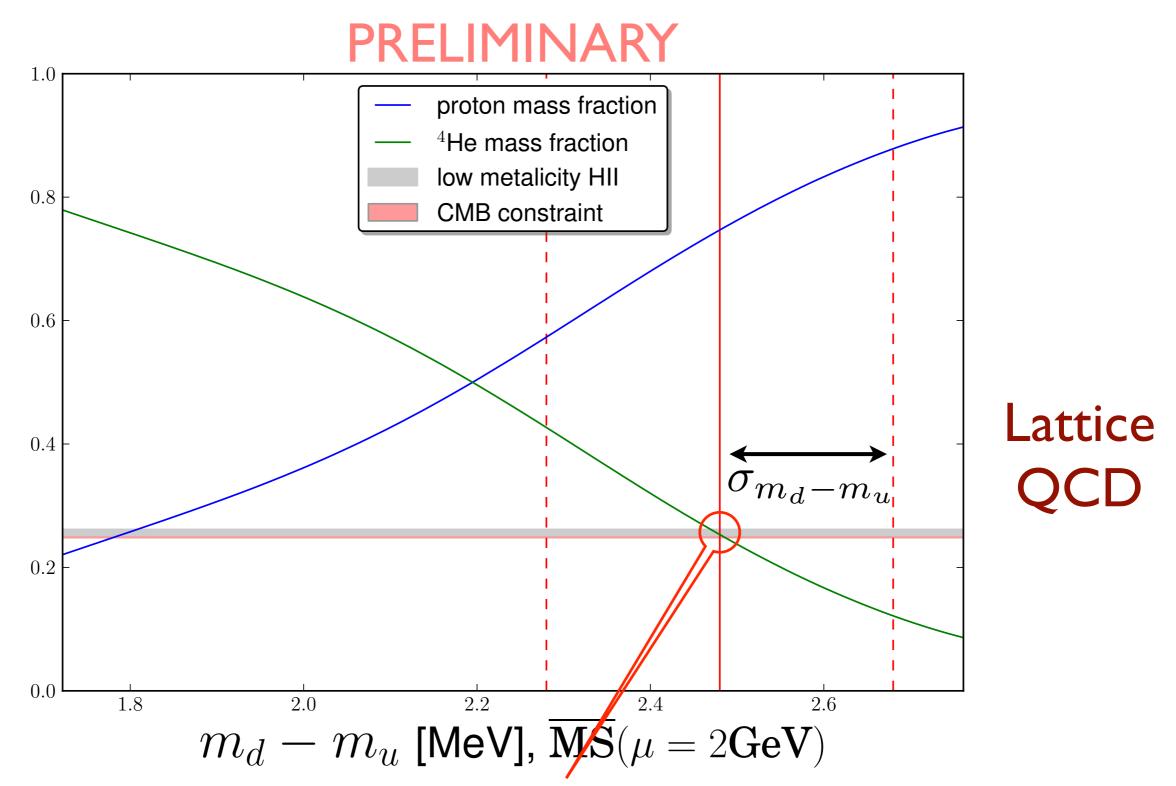
Initial conditions

focus on leading isospin breaking

 $au_n$  neutron lifetime

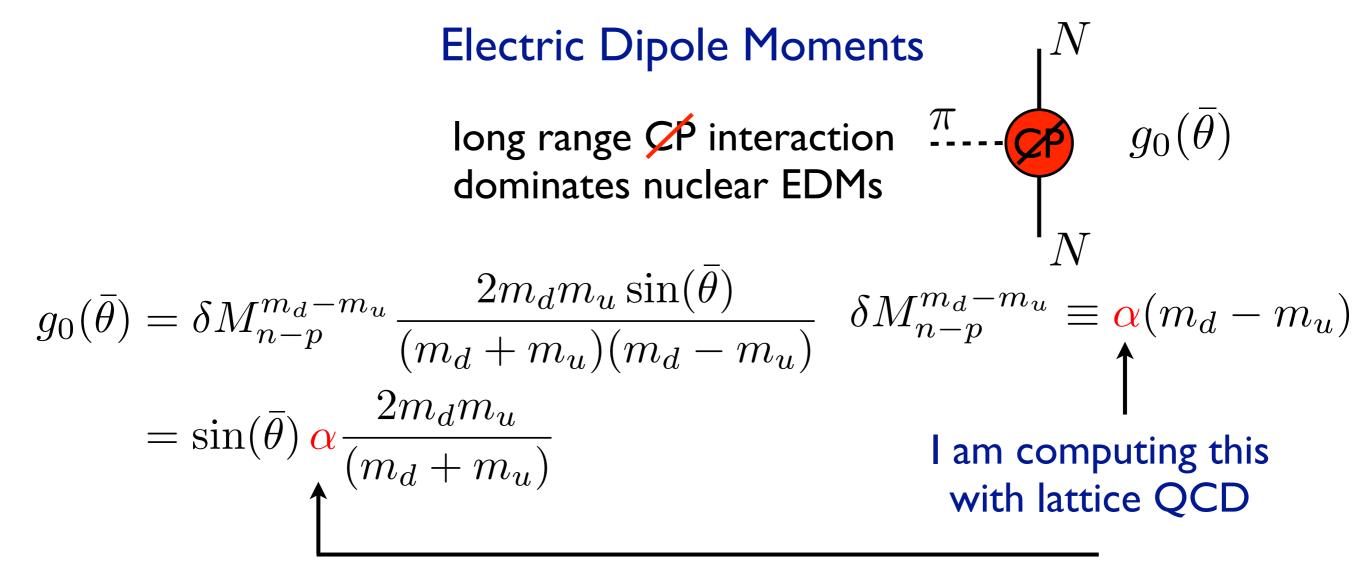


### Big Bang Nucleosynthesis and $M_n-M_p$ P. Banerjee, T. Luu, AWL



A precise determination of  $\alpha$  + BBN can constrain  $m_d-m_u$   $\delta M_{n-p}^{m_d-m_u} \equiv \alpha(m_d-m_u)$ 

# YET MORE CONNECTIONS



The world's most stringent constraint on an EDM from Atomic measurement competitive constraint on  $\bar{\theta}$  Griffith, Swallows, Loftus, Romalis, Heckel, Fortson PRL 102 101601 (2009)

## CONCLUSIONS AND NEW HORIZONS

- goal was to show you with a little cleverness, you can relate simple quantities, computable (cheaply) with lattice QCD to other interesting and complicated physics encourage you to be clever and adventurous
- related a simple quantity  $M_n-M_p$  to the primordial abundance of light nuclear elements, formed in the first few minutes after the Big Bang also related to strong CP violation
- showed how modern knowledge of nucleon structure can be used to determine the electromagnetic self-energy contribution improvements will come with a determination of the iso-vector nucleon magnetic polarizability - either experimentally of from lattice QCD
- the strong contribution  $(m_d-m_u)$  can only be determined with lattice QCD
- this was just a simple example of exciting connections we can now make between the universe and QCD because of the tremendous growth of lattice QCD as a tool for non-perturbative QCD phenomena

Thank You