

QCD, Hadron Spectroscopy, and Exotics

Summary



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Overview

Two blocks on Wednesday.

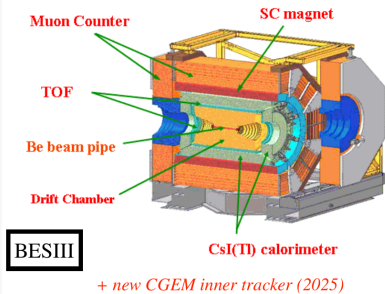
First one spectroscopy-focussed, second with focus on QCD observables.

Sessions well attended.

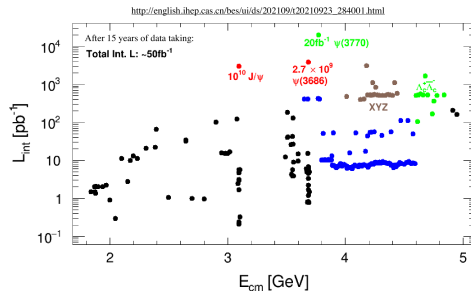
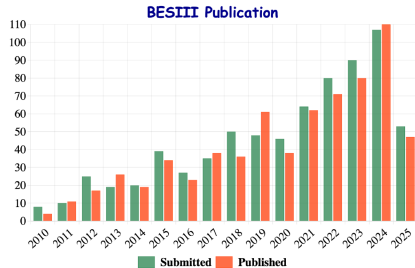
Thanks to the speakers for excellent talks, and attendees for lively discussions!

Won't go in chronological order.

 Contribution list		 Timetable
< Wed 11/06		>
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14:00	Hadron Spectroscopy at GlueX Volker Crede 	
	<i>Capital View</i> 14:00 - 14:20	
	Recent results on hadron spectroscopy from the lattice Felipe Ortega Gama 	
15:00	<i>Capital View</i> 14:20 - 14:40	
	Recent Hadron Spectroscopy Highlights from BESIII Ryan Mitchell 	
	<i>Capital View</i> 14:40 - 15:00	
15:00	Amplitude analyses in hadron spectroscopy experiments Vanamali Shastry 	
	<i>Capital View</i> 15:00 - 15:20	
	Charged Pion Polarizability at Jefferson Lab Albert Fabrizi 	
20:00	<i>Beefeaters</i> 19:20 - 19:40	
	Accessing Spin-1 Structure Functions and TMDs of the Deuteron Nathaly Santiesteban 	
	<i>Beefeaters</i> 19:40 - 20:00	
20:00	Nuclear Calculations for Neutrino-Nucleus and Dark Matter-Nucleus Scattering Baishan Hu 	
	<i>Beefeaters</i> 20:00 - 20:20	

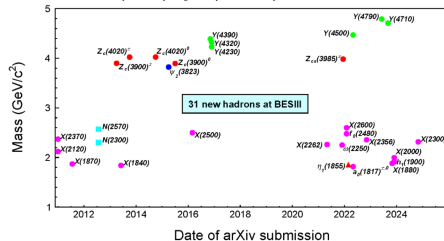


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"New hadrons discovered at BESIII," Z. Q. Liu, R. E. Mitchell, Sci. Bull. 68 (2023) 2148-2150

updates: <http://english.ihep.cas.cn/bes/np/NewParticles/>



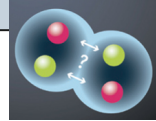
This Talk (a small subset of recent results):

1. Glueball Candidates in Radiative ψ Decays
2. The $\pi_1(1600)$ in χ_{c1} Decays
3. Updates on the $X(3872)$ (aka $\chi_{c1}(3872)$)
4. Updates on the Y States (aka ψ states)
5. Updates on the $Z_c(3900)$ (aka $T_{c\bar{c}1}(3900)$)

Using a Flatté parameterization with $\bar{D}D^*$ and $\rho J/\psi$ coupled channels...

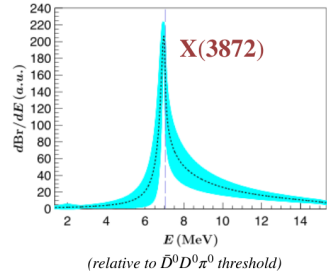
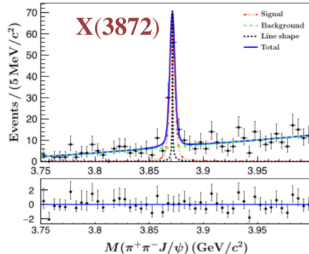
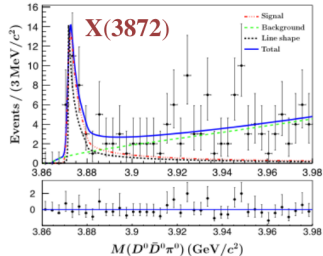
T-matrix pole position: $(3871.70 \pm 0.15^{+0.07}_{-0.08}) - i(0.19 \pm 0.08^{+0.14}_{-0.19})$ MeV

The real part is still consistent with the $\bar{D}^0 D^{*0}$ threshold $(3871.70 \pm 0.11 \text{ MeV}/c^2)$, and the imaginary part leads to a width of 0.38 MeV.



*Using both $X(3872) \rightarrow \bar{D}^0 D^{*0}$ and $X(3872) \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi$ gives access to the T-matrix pole position...*

BESIII $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma(\bar{D}^0 D^{*0})$ and $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma(\pi^+ \pi^- J/\psi)$ (2024)



Double charmed tetraquark $T_{cc}(I=0)$

	m/MeV
π	390
D	1,886
D^*	2,009

Pole singularities

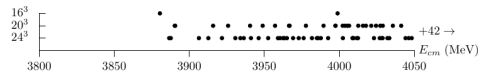
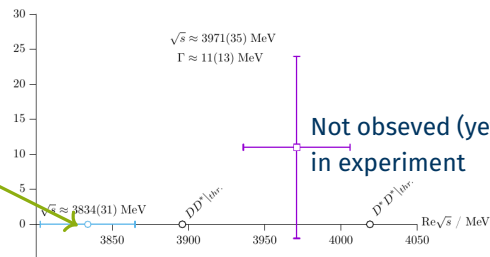
Complex energy plane

$$\sqrt{s} \approx 3971(35) \text{ MeV}$$

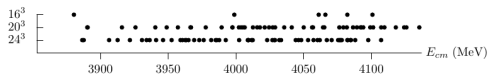
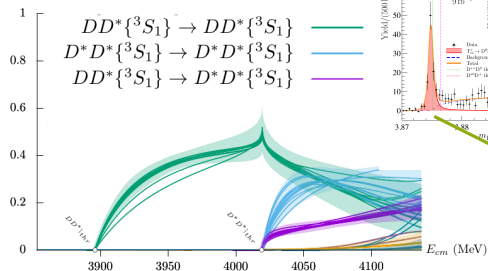
$$\Gamma \approx 11(13) \text{ MeV}$$

Not observed (yet)
in experiment

$$2 \text{ Im}\sqrt{s} / \text{MeV}$$



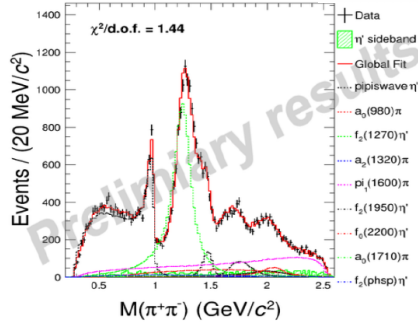
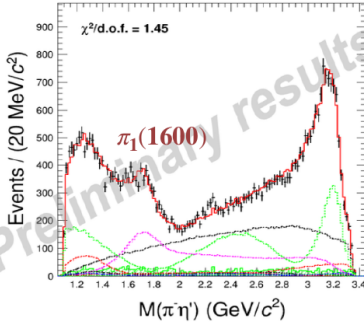
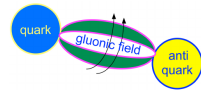
$$\rho_a \rho_b \left| \mathcal{M}_{a, 2S+1 \ell_J; b, 2S'+1 \ell'_J} \right|^2$$



109 energy levels across 3 vols, 9 irreps

BESIII has access to the spin-exotic $\pi_1(1600)$ in χ_{c1} decays...

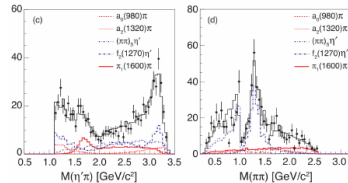
BESIII $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c1}; \chi_{c1} \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\eta'$ (2025, preliminary)



With 2.7 billion $\psi(2S)$ decays, this is a factor of 100 more statistics than CLEOc.

This production mode gives BESIII access to more decays of the $\pi_1(1600)$ [eg $b_1\pi$].

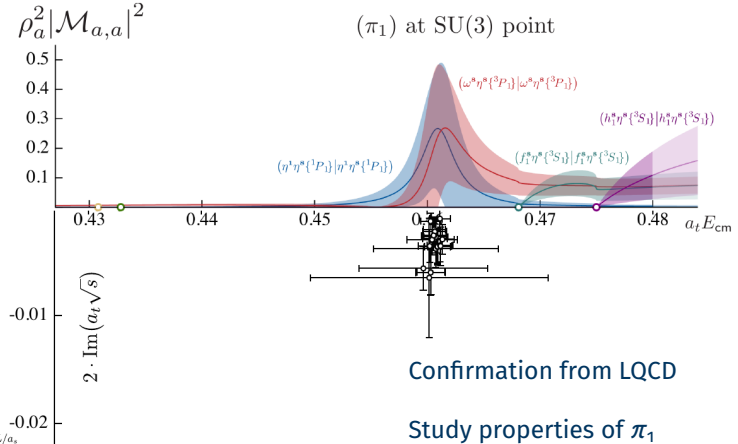
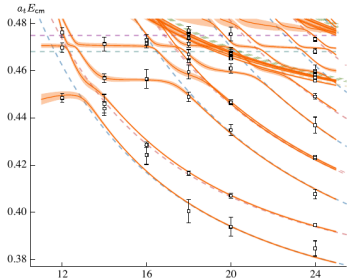
CLEOc $\psi(2S) \rightarrow \gamma\chi_{c1}; \chi_{c1} \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-\eta'$ (2011)



Lowest lying hybrid meson

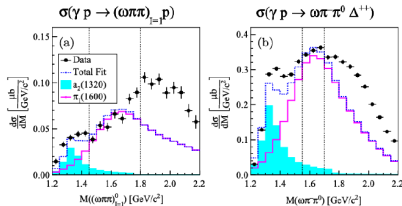
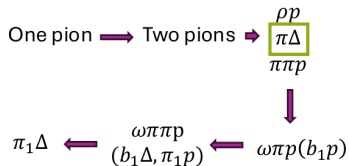
	m/MeV
π	~ 700
K	~ 700

- Meson-meson and qqbar
- 6 volumes $[12a_s, \dots, 24a_s]$
- Spectrum for $P=[000]$
- 53 energy levels



Production mechanisms

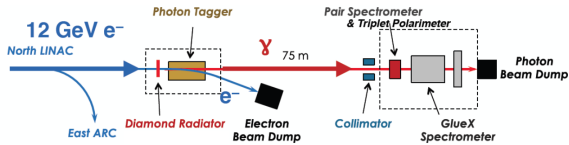
Goal: understand the mechanism behind the photoproduction of $\pi_1(1600)$



GlueX, *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 133 (2024) 26, 26

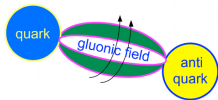
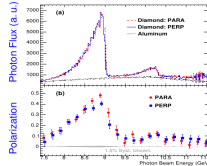
Why is the $\pi_1(1600)$ more likely to be produced in a charge exchange reaction?

Understand i.a. $\pi\Delta$ photoproduction along the journey...

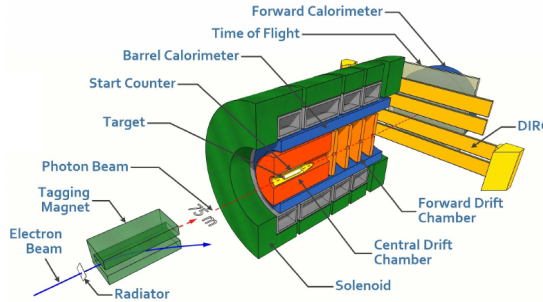


Polarized photon beam produced via coherent bremsstrahlung off thin diamond radiator:

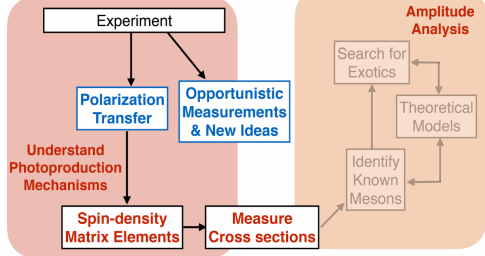
- Tagging system with $\Delta E < 25$ MeV.
- Linear photon polarization of $P_\gamma \approx 40\%$ in the coherent peak.
- Phase-I intensity of 5×10^7 γ /s in peak.



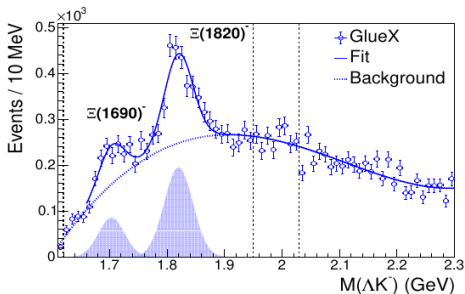
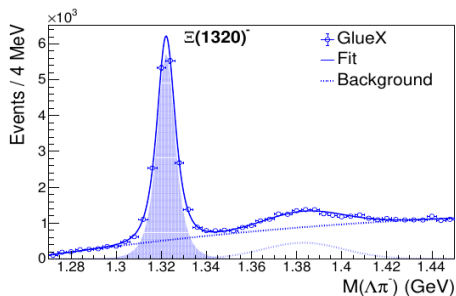
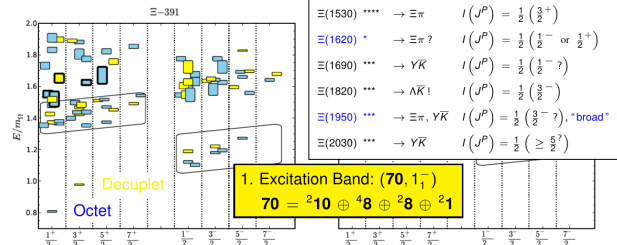
12 GeV CEBAF upgrade has high priority (DOE Office of Science, Long Range Plan)
 "[key area] is experimental verification of the powerful force fields (*flux tubes*) believed to be responsible for quark confinement."



Courtesy of Sean Dobbs

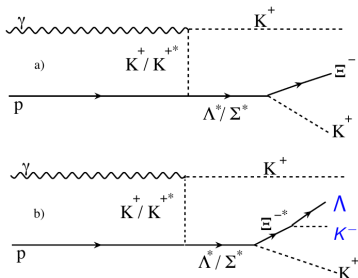


R. Edwards *et al.*, PRD 87, 054506 (2013)



Exhibits broad features expected of $SU(6) \otimes O(3)$ symmetry

→ Counting of states of each flavor and spin consistent with QM for the lowest negative- and positive-parity bands.

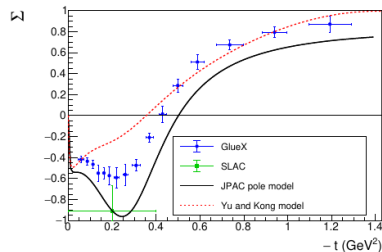
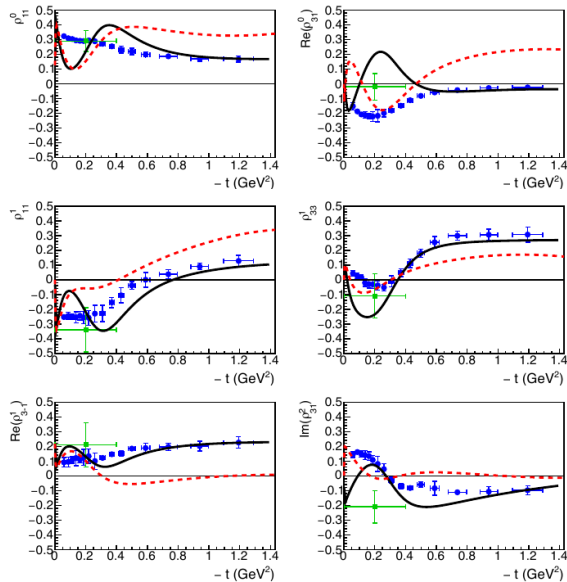


Spin-Density Matrix Elements: $\gamma p \rightarrow \Delta^{++} \pi^-$

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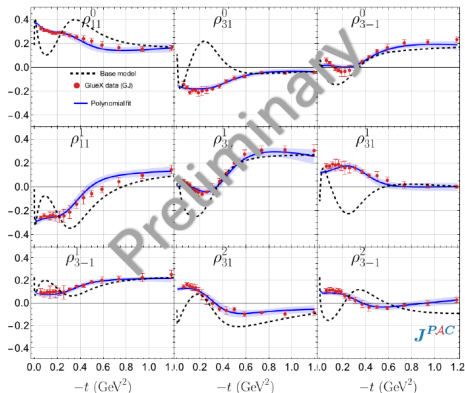
$$\rho_{ij}^{N/U} = \rho_{ij}^0 \pm \rho_{ij}^1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &= (\rho_{11}^N + \rho_{33}^N) - (\rho_{11}^U + \rho_{33}^U) \\ &= 2(\rho_{11}^1 + \rho_{33}^1) \end{aligned}$$



Two pion photoproduction – $\pi\Delta$ (V. Shastry *et al* (JPAC) *In progress*)

Spin density matrix elements when one of the pions comes from the lower vertex

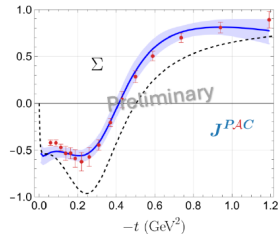


GlueX data from F. Afzal *et al* (GlueX), *Phys.Lett.B* 863 (2025) 139368

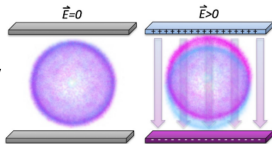
- Instead of Lagrangians, chose polynomials (linear in t).
- Fit the coefficients to the data
 - Takes care of any higher order term left out of the model.
- Can be used in any future work involving Δ
- EXD broken for natural exchange
- Very forward region ($|t| \leq 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$) shows absorption
- Not effectively described by PMA
- More analysis needed and in progress.

Structure of the amplitudes and their singularities

t -channel Residues and scalar amplitudes



Hadron surrounded by Pion Cloud



Hadron surrounded by displaced Pion Cloud

Electric Polarizability = $\alpha \approx 10^{-4} \times \text{Volume}$ $\vec{p} = -\alpha \vec{E}$

Magnetic Polarizability = $\beta \approx 10^{-4} \times \text{Volume}$ $\vec{\mu} = \beta \vec{H}$

Measurements of Pion Polarizability provide a test of chiral symmetry

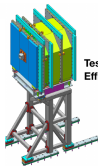
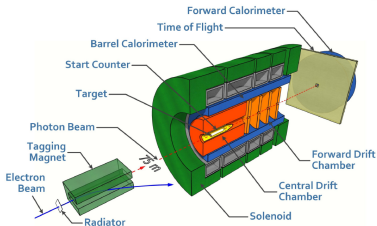
Chiral Perturbation Theory
Prediction for Charged Pions:*

$$\alpha_\pi = -\beta_\pi = \frac{4\alpha}{m_\pi F_\pi^2} (L_9^r - L_{10}^r) = 2.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{fm}^3$$

*Gasser et al. Annals Phys. 158, 142

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{\text{Prim}}}{d\Omega dM_{\pi\pi}} = \frac{2\alpha Z^2}{\pi^2} \frac{E_\gamma^2 \beta^2}{M_{\pi\pi}} \frac{\sin^2\theta}{Q^4} \left| F_{EM}(Q^2) \right|^2 \left(1 + P_\gamma \cos 2\phi_{\pi\pi} \right) \sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi\pi}$$

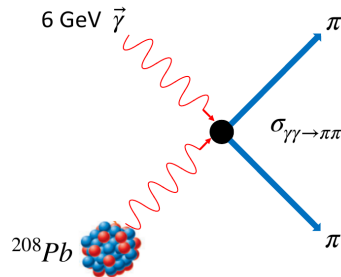
Photon polarization



New detector for μ/π identification

Test Efficiency: 99.7%
Efficiency During Experiment: 99.9%

Compare $\mu^+\mu^-$ production with respect to $\pi^+\pi^-$ production



Status of the JLab GlueX CPP and NPP measurements

- Data was taken in summer 2022 with 6 GeV linearly polarized photons on ^{208}Pb target, $\sim 80\%$ polarization
- Calorimeter and charged particle tracking calibrations have been completed
- Data processing was concluded October 2024
- Currently working on Neural Nets for separation of e^+e^- , $\pi^+\pi^-$, $\mu^+\mu^-$ Particle ID
- We expect to have preliminary physics distributions at end of summer.
- Neutral Pion Polarizability has Preliminary physics distributions

Observed and Expected $\pi^0\pi^0$ Signal

The experimental background conditions are favorable for the angular range below 0.5°

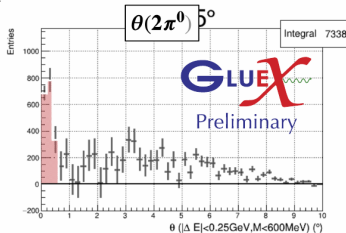
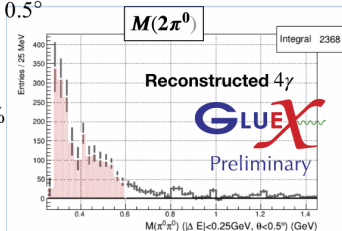
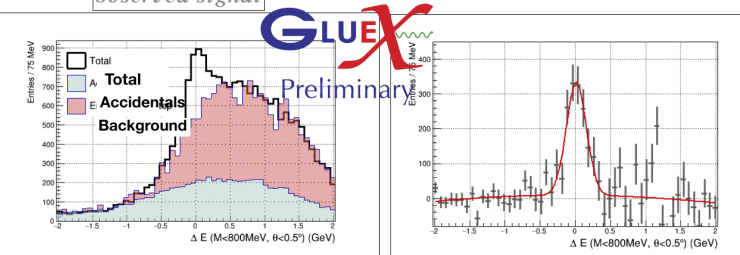
For $4.5 \div 5.9$ GeV photon beam energy, $M_{\pi\pi} < 800 \text{ MeV}$ and $\theta_{\pi\pi} < 0.5^\circ$:

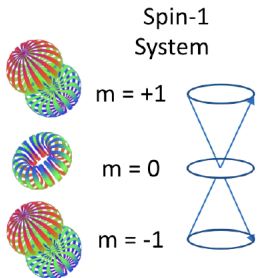
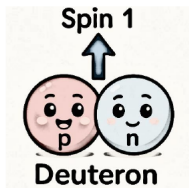
- Observed yield: $1.6\text{K} \pm 8\%$ (very preliminary)
- Expected Primakoff yield based on Crystal Ball $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0)$ data: $1.7\text{K} \pm 16\%$

We are close to our expectations

observed signal

background subtracted





Deuteron in a magnetic field

Vector Polarization:

$$P = N(+1) - N(-1)$$

Tensor Polarization:

$$Q = N(+1) + N(-1) - 2N(0)$$

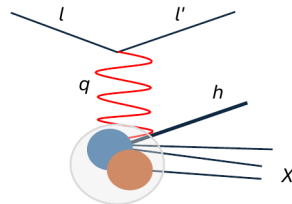
$N(m)$: population density

$$N(+1) + N(-1) + N(0) = 1$$

Normalization

Transverse-momentum-dependent (TMD) tensor distribution functions describe quark- and gluon dynamics inside the deuteron.

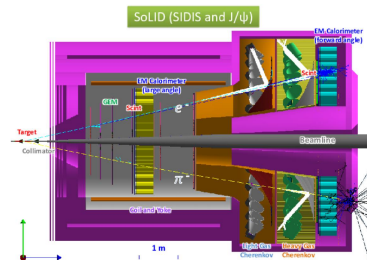
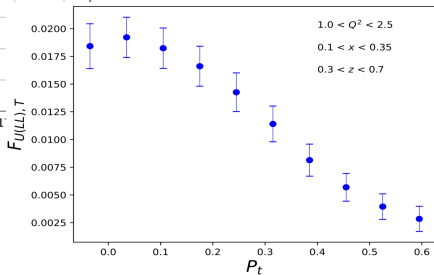
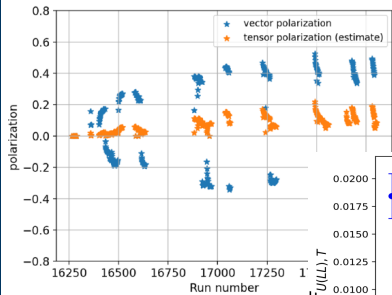
Multi-differential cross-section measurements of semi-inclusive deep-inelastic scattering (SIDIS) off tensor-polarized deuteron targets.

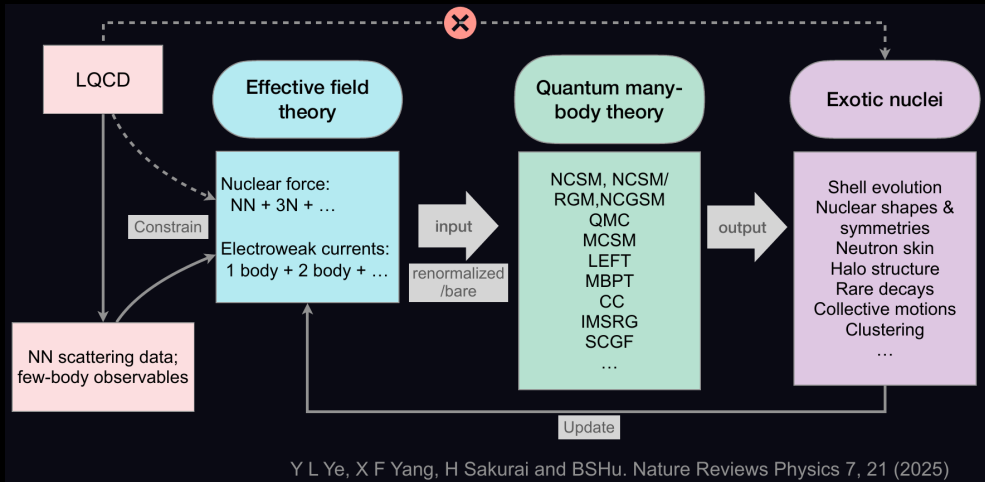
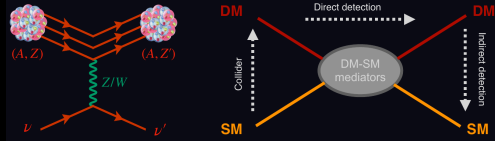


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Y L Ye, X F Yang, H Sakurai and BShu. Nature Reviews Physics 7, 21 (2025)

Spin-Dependent Dark Matter Direct Detection

PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS **131**, 041002 (2023)

Editors' Suggestion

Featured in Physics

First Dark Matter Search Results from the LUX-ZEPLIN (LZ) Experiment

