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# Introduction

- \* What is the relation between the **spectrum, structure and interactions** of hadrons and their fundamental constituents?
- \* What is the nature of quark confinement?
- \* Existence of states beyond the conventional quark (-antiquark) picture?
- ⇒ Interpret experimental results in terms of **Quantum Chromodynamics**, including the non-perturbative regime
- \* Broad variety of complementary experiments and theoretical tools; electromagnetic vs. hadronic probes
- \* Stress the role of FAIR as unique research environment for hadron physics

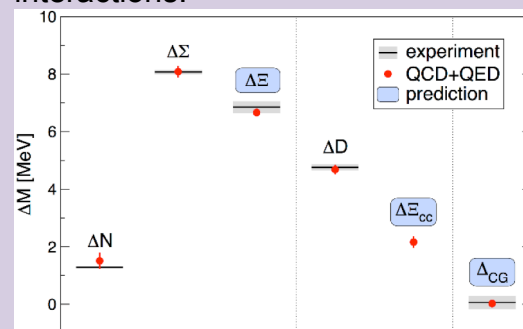
# Subsection: Theoretical Framework

- \* General features of QCD; confinement; asymptotic freedom
- \* Theoretical methods: effective theories, functional methods, lattice QCD, dispersion theory, models
- \* Confinement; glueballs and exotics
- \* Chiral symmetry and its spontaneous breaking
- \* Heavy quark symmetry
- \* Quantify hadronic uncertainties in precision observables — work towards “precision era” of hadron physics
- \* Strongly interacting systems and multi-scale problems

# Subsection: Theoretical Framework

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## Functional Methods

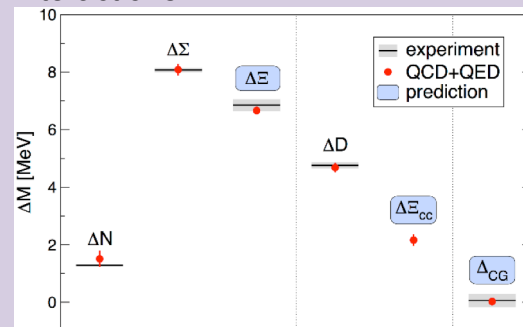
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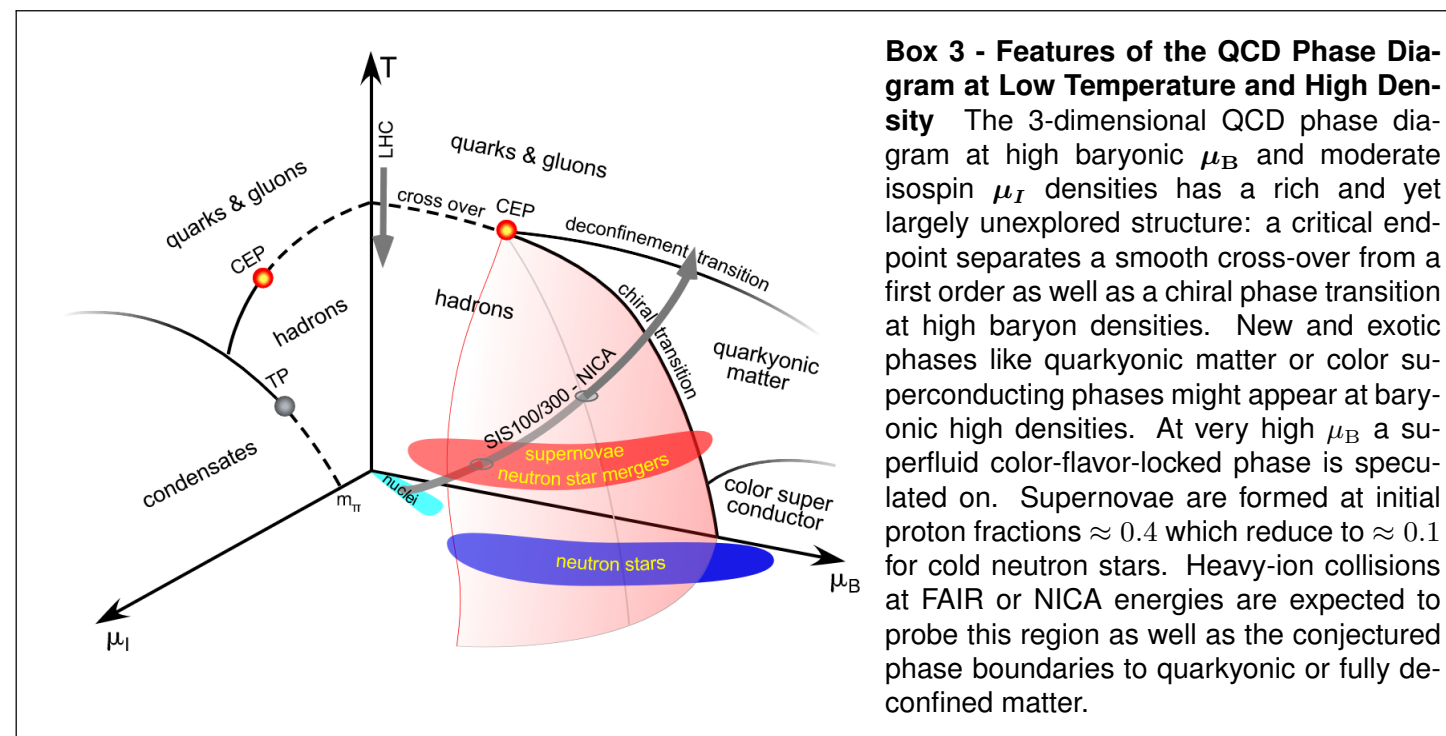
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## **WG3: Nuclear Structure**

Understanding the stability of nuclear matter is a major challenge for experimental and theoretical physics. Lattice methods have successfully captured the properties of nuclei up to  $A \approx 6$ , above which other many-body methods may be applied. The interplay between different theoretical formalisms, which provide complementary information, is crucial for further progress. Electromagnetism plays a major role, and lattice simulations of both QCD and QED have produced first promising results for small systems.

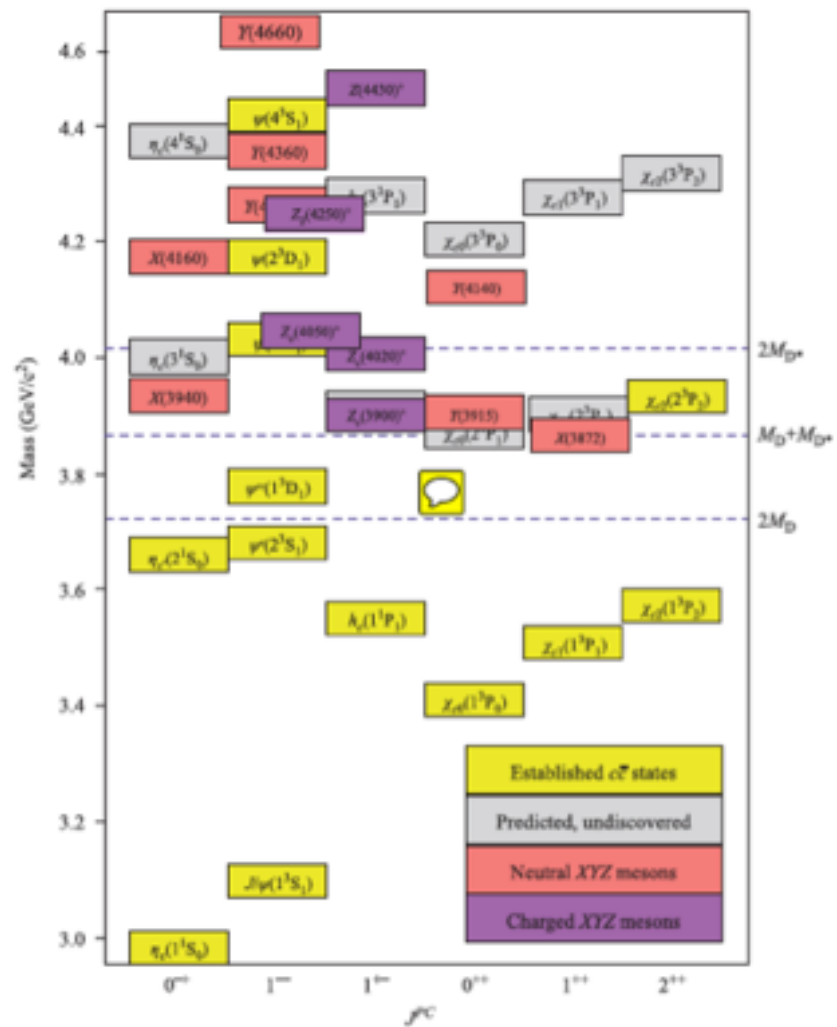
# Subsection: Experimental Methods

- \* Experimental methods and their relative merits and complementarity:
  - lepto-production
  - $ep, pp, \bar{p}p$
  - photon beams
  - pion-nucleon scattering
- \* Lepto-production and Drell-Yan: Factorisation of cross sections into soft and hard processes
- \*  $e^+e^-$  annihilation, photon-photon fusion, ISR, B-meson decay
- \*  $\bar{p}p$  annihilation; gluon-rich environment  $\rightarrow$  glueballs, hybrids

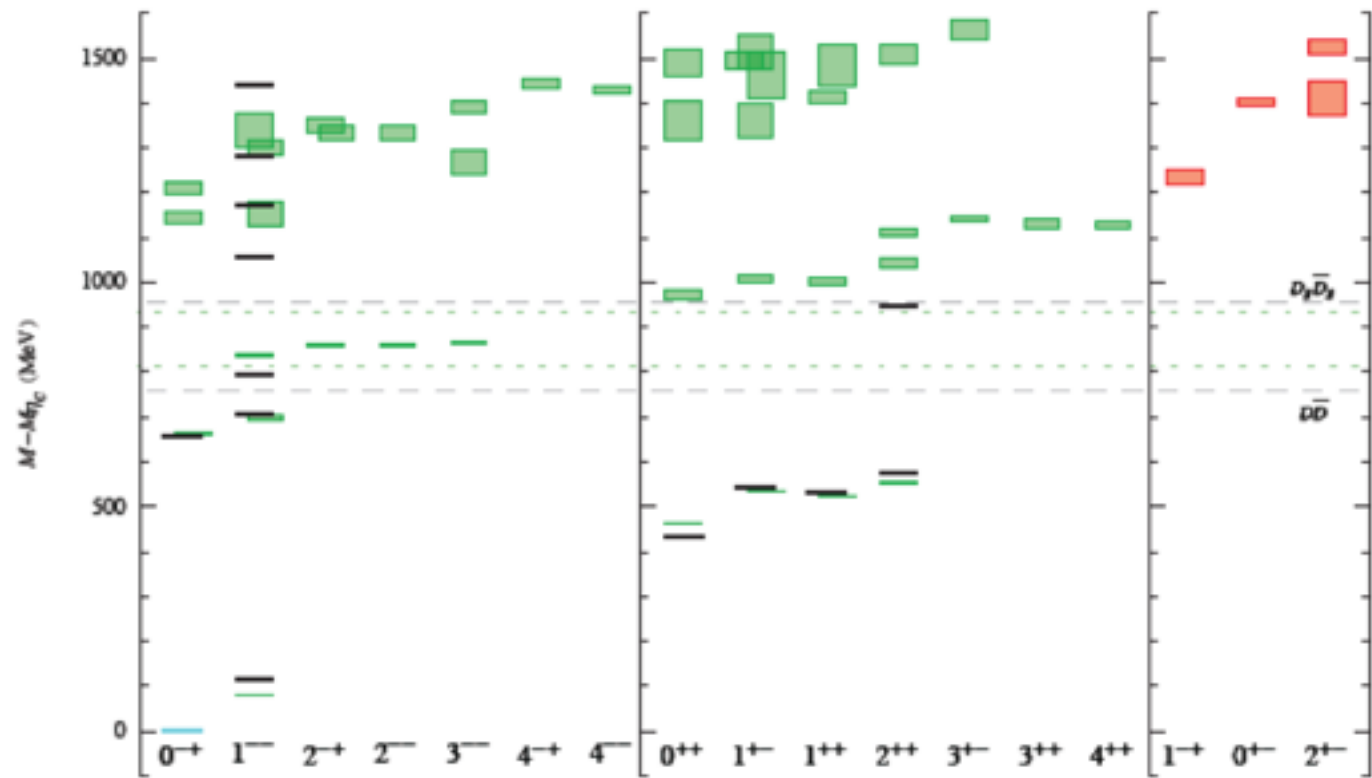
## Subsection: Hadron Spectroscopy

- \* General introduction
- \* Heavy quarks:  $X, Y, Z$  states in the charmonium sector

## Spectrum of X, Y, Z states



## Charmonium spectrum from lattice QCD



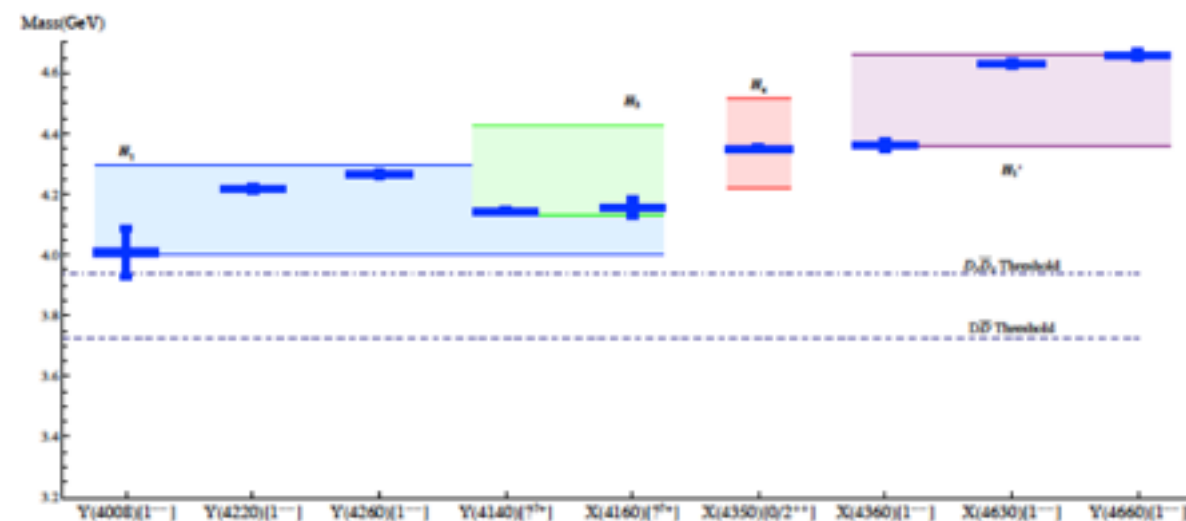
# Subsection: Hadron Spectroscopy

- \* Baryon resonances
- \* Light exotics and glueballs
- \* Pentaquark discovery at LHCb
- \* Heavy hybrid states

Baryon resonances

|                     | RPP 2010 | RPP 2012 |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| $N(1860)5/2^+$      |          | **       |
| $N(1875)3/2^-$      |          | ***      |
| $N(1880)1/2^+$      |          | **       |
| $N(1895)1/2^-$      |          | **       |
| $N(1900)3/2^+$      | **       | ***      |
| $N(2060)5/2^-$      |          | **       |
| $N(2120)3/2^-$      |          | **       |
| $\Delta(1940)3/2^-$ | *        | **       |

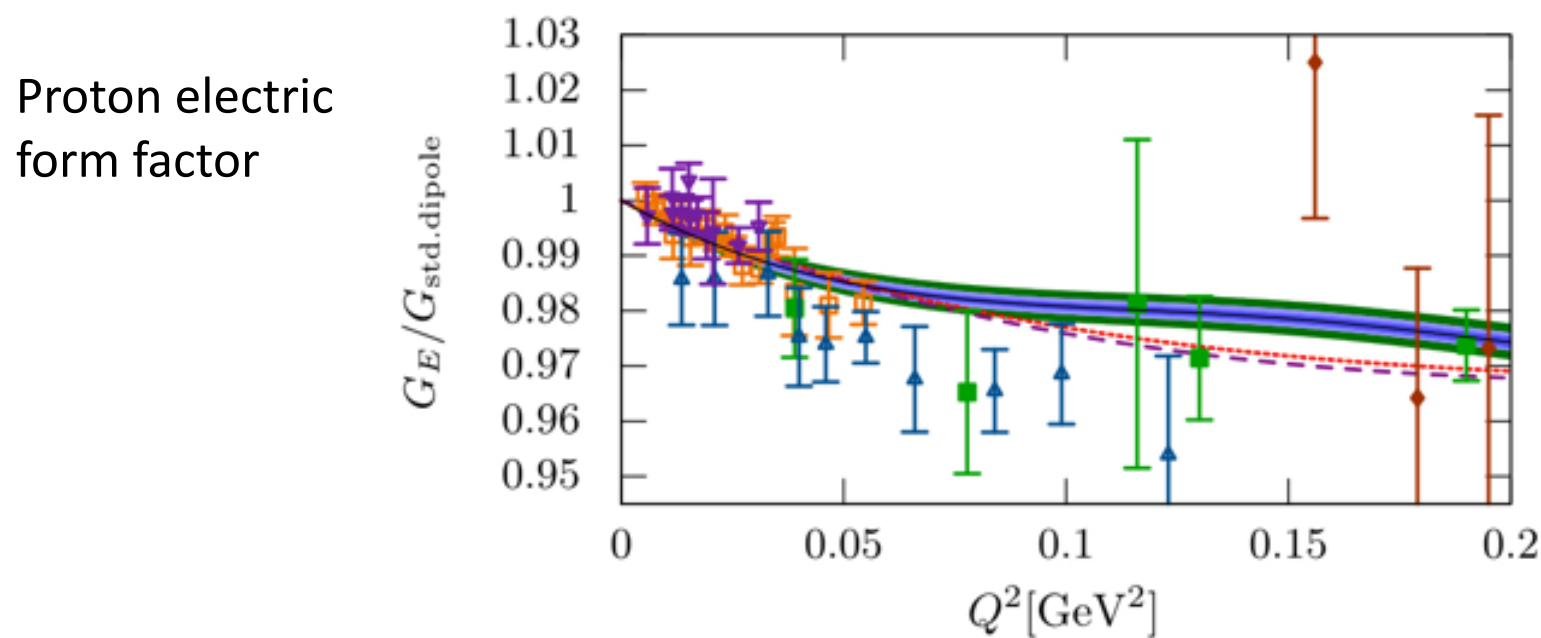
EFT predictions for heavy hybrid states



# Subsection: Hadron Structure

## \* Nucleon form factors:

- Proton radius puzzle —> **WG 5**
- $G_E/G_M$ : Rosenbluth separation versus recoil polarisation
- time-like versus space-like momentum transfers
- strangeness and weak form factors; parity-violating asymmetries



## \* Baryonic transition form factors:

- Dalitz decays of baryonic resonances
- dilepton spectra —> **WG 2**

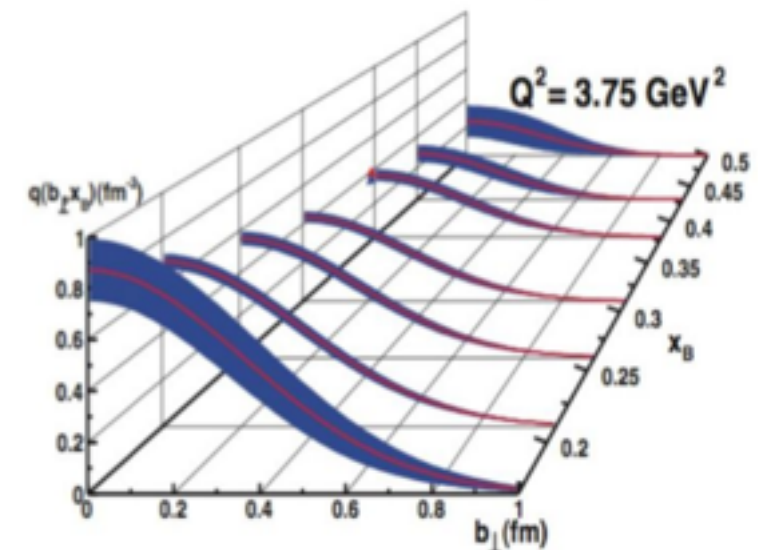
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## \* Polarisabilities:

- Electromagnetic and spin polarisabilities
- pion and kaon polarisabilities: COMPASS, JLab, BES-III

## \* PDFs and GPDs:

- Decomposition of proton spin
- Growth of gluon and quark densities:  
Colour Glass Condensate
- New GPD data from COMPASS, JLab @ 12



Nucleon transverse profile and projected uncertainties for JLab 12 GeV

## \* Transverse Momentum Distributions (TMDs)

- Processes: SIDIS, Drell-Yan,  $e^+e^-$  annihilation, polarised  $pp$
- COMPASS, PANDA, AFTER@CERN, SPD@NICA



# Subsection: Hadron Structure

Past, present and future experiments for TMDs and PDFs:

| Experiment/Lab     | Running Time | Reactions for TMDs  | Reactions for GPDs  | $\mathcal{L}$<br>( $cm^{-2}s^{-1}$ ) | $\sqrt{s}$<br>GeV |
|--------------------|--------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Completed</b>   |              |   |   |                                      |                   |
| Hermes/ DESY       | 1996-2007    | $e^- [p^\uparrow, (p, d)_{\text{unp.}}]$                                | $(e^\pm)^\rightarrow [(p, d)^\uparrow, (p, d)_{\text{unp.}}]$                         | $> 10^{31}$                          | 7                 |
| H1, ZEUS/ DESY     | 1996-2007    |   | $(e^\pm)^\rightarrow p$   |                                      |                   |
| BaBar/ SLAC        | 1999-2008    | $e^+ e^-$   |   | $> 10^{33}$                          | 10                |
| Belle/ KEK         | 1999-2010    | $e^+ e^-$   |   | $10^{34}$                            | 10                |
| Hall ABC/JLab      | 2005-2014    | $e^- [(p, n)^\uparrow, (p, d)_{\text{unp.}}]$                           | $(e^-)^\rightarrow [(p, d)^\uparrow, (p, d)_{\text{unp.}}]$                           | $10^{38}$                            | 3                 |
| <b>Running</b>     |              |   |   |                                      |                   |
| COMPASS/ CERN      | 2002→        | $\mu^+ [(p, d)^\uparrow, (p, d)_{\text{unp.}}]$<br>$\pi^- [p^\uparrow]$ | $(\mu^\pm)^\rightarrow [p_{\text{unp.}}]$   | $> 10^{31}$                          | 17-19             |
| BesIII/ BEPC       | 2009→        | $e^+ e^-$   |   |                                      | 4                 |
| Hall ABC/ JLab12   | 2016→        | $e^- [(p, n)^\uparrow, (p, d)_{\text{unp.}}]$                           | $(e^-)^\rightarrow [(p, d)^\uparrow, (p, d)_{\text{unp.}}]$                           | $10^{38}$                            | 5                 |
| Star, Phenix/ RHIC | 2001→        | $p^\uparrow p^\uparrow$   |   | $10^{32}$                            | 200-500           |
| <b>Foreseen</b>    |              |   |   |                                      |                   |
| Belle2/ KEK        | >2016        | $e^+ e^-$   |   | $10^{36}$                            | 10                |
| SeaQuest/FLab      | >2018        | $pp^\uparrow$   |   | $> 10^{35}$                          | 15-30             |
| COMPASS/ CERN      | >2020        | $\mu^+ d^\uparrow$<br>$(\bar{p}, K) [(p, d)^\uparrow]$                  | $(\mu^\pm)^\rightarrow [(p, d)^\uparrow]$   | $> 10^{31}$                          | 17-19             |
| PANDA/ FAIR        | >2022        | $\bar{p}^{(\uparrow)} [p^\uparrow]$                                     |   |                                      | 5                 |
| EIC                | >2025        | $e^- (p, n, d)^\uparrow$  | $(e^-)^\rightarrow (p, n, d)^\uparrow$<br>$(e^-)^\rightarrow (p, n, d)_{\text{unp.}}$ | $> 10^{34}$                          | 25-145            |
| SPD/NICA/JINR      | >2020        | $p [(p, d)^\uparrow]$   |   |                                      | 12-27             |
| AFTER/CERN         | >2017        | $p [(p, d)^\uparrow]$   |   | $> 10^{33}$                          | 115               |

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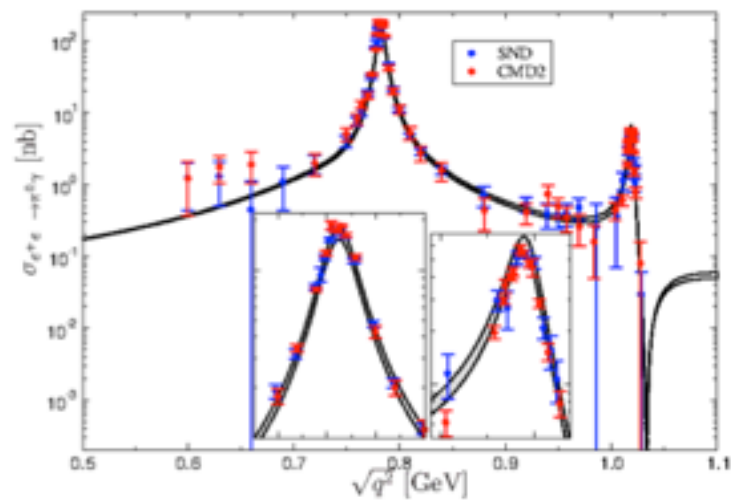
## Perspectives

- \* European Facilities: ELSA, MAMI/MESA, COMPASS, JLab, CERN, NICA
- \* **Role of an Electron-Ion Collider?**
  - Significant extension of kinematical regime for GPDs, TMDs
  - Realisation in the US — not a European project

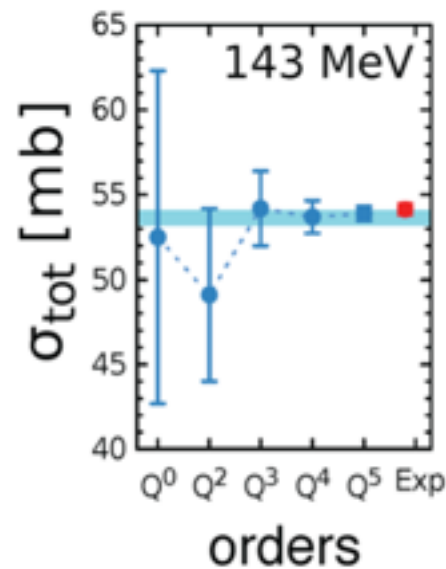
# Subsection: Hadronic Interactions

- \* Multi-hadron systems; hadronic molecules; hyper-nuclei
- \* Study  $\pi\pi$ ,  $\pi K$ ,  $\pi N$ ,  $KN$ ,  $NN$ ,  $\pi H$ ,  $NH$  interactions
- \*  $\pi N$  scattering and the sigma-term discrepancy with lattice QCD
- \*  $\pi K$  scattering and the two-pole structure of the  $\Lambda(1405)$
- \* Chiral effective theory and its role for *ab initio* calculations for nuclear structure and reactions
- \* Box on muon  $(g - 2)$

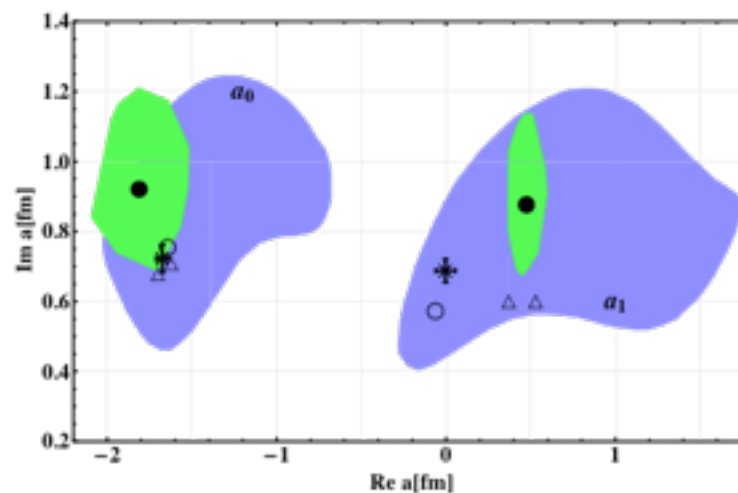
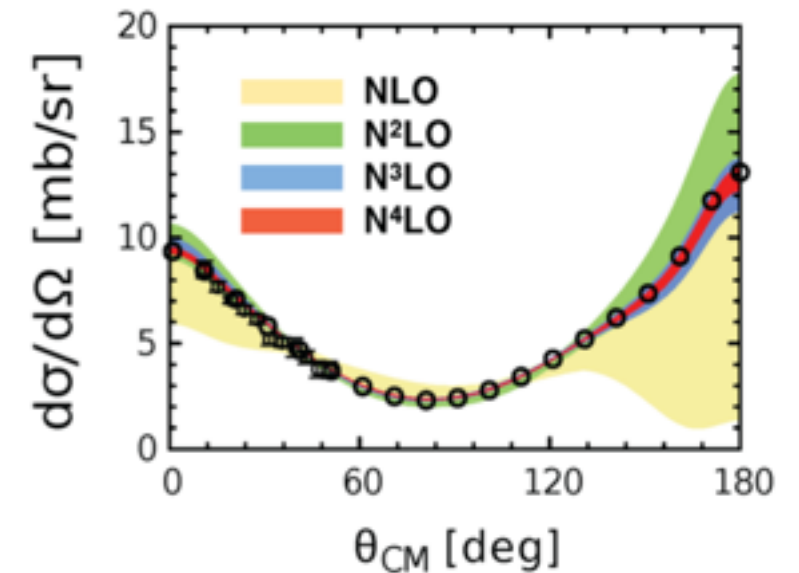
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Cross section  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \pi^0 \gamma$  from dispersion relations



EFT predictions for neutron-proton cross sections



Antikaon-nucleon scattering lengths from ChPT

# Subsection: Hadronic Interactions

## Box on muon ( $g-2$ ):

### *Meson form factors and the muon anomalous magnetic moment*

The muon anomaly  $a_\mu = (g - 2)_\mu/2$  is a low-energy observable, which can be both measured and computed within the Standard Model with extremely high precision (see the discussion in WG 5). The present experimental value stems from the BNL E821 experiment and corresponds to an uncertainty of 0.54 ppm. It deviates from the SM prediction, whose accuracy is even slightly better, by more than three standard deviations. While the discrepancy is not sufficient to claim the

factor data. Therefore, meson form factors not only provide insights into the structure of hadrons, but are also of utmost importance to increase the precision of the SM estimate for the HVP and HLbL contributions to  $(g - 2)_\mu$ . The exclusive channel  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ , which is determined by the pion vector form factor, contributes almost 75% to the dispersion relation for HVP. The importance of this channel and other channels with higher multiplicities has led to detailed experimental studies of the hadronic cross section at electron-positron colliders.

subtle, and so is the diversity of the required data input. The most relevant contribution comes from pseudoscalar pole terms, which are linked to meson transition form factors, describing the coupling of the neutral mesons  $\pi^0, \eta$  and  $\eta'$  to two photons. A new campaign of precision measurements of these form factors is currently ongoing at various hadron facilities worldwide. Finally, also

# Subsection: Lattice QCD

- \* Describe role of lattice QCD for previous three subsections
- \* Hadron spectroscopy:
  - Excitation spectrum, mixing patterns
  - Isospin breaking effects
- \* Hadron structure:
  - Benchmark quantities: nucleon charges,  $\langle X \rangle_{u-d}$ , em. form factors
  - Precision issue: tackle noise problem, disconnected diagrams
- \* Hadronic interactions:
  - Resonances and scattering: finite-volume methods
  - $\pi N$ -sigma term, muon  $(g - 2)$



# Physics Perspectives

## Europe:

### FAIR/GSI

- PANDA: unique experiment; antiproton-proton interactions
- HADES: baryon spectroscopy and transition form factors

### Lepton beams

- DAΦNE: kaons and kaonic atoms, hypernuclei
- ELSA: baryon spectroscopy with polarised beams and targets
- MAMI/MESA: photoproduction near threshold,  $KN$  interactions, light hypernuclei; form factors, parity-violating processes

### CERN

- COMPASS: hadron structure and spectroscopy; GPDs
- LHCb: pentaquark discovery

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## Europe (cnt'd):

### CERN

- COMPASS: hadron structure and spectroscopy; GPDs
- LHCb: pentaquark discovery
- AFTER: run LHC in fixed-target mode

### NICA

- Longitudinally polarised proton / deuteron beams for spin physics

# Physics Perspectives

## Global Perspectives:

### JLab

- GlueX: light meson spectroscopy
- CLAS12: meson and baryon spectroscopy
- 12 GeV upgrade: hadron structure, GPDs, TMDs

### BES-III

- Hadron spectroscopy: light and charm sector; exotics
- Form factors and fragmentation functions

### BELLE2; LEPS

- hadron spectroscopy; CP-violation

**Electron-Ion Collider** and its role for **European physics**?

# Recommendations

## **I. Completion of the PANDA experiment at FAIR without further delays**

The strategic importance of PANDA for hadron physics cannot be overestimated. [...] PANDA's discovery potential for new states, coupled with the ability to perform high-precision systematic measurements is not realised at any other facility or experiment in the world. Despite the delays in its construction, PANDA continues to be viewed as a major flagship experiment, which attracts a large international community.

One of the key features [...] is the availability of an antiproton beam. Therefore, the completion and continued operation of the High Energy Storage Ring (HESR) is vital to sustain this unique research environment.

# Recommendations

## II. Support for a research programme in precision physics at existing facilities

[...] Very significant new results can be expected not only from the big laboratories (such as CERN, JLab and IHEP), but also from smaller scale facilities, such as ELSA, HADES, MAMI and, in the near future, MESA, where high-precision experiments can be performed. They will not only greatly advance our knowledge about hadrons and their underlying structures, but also explore the limits of the Standard Model. A quantitative understanding of hadronic effects with sufficient precision is necessary to detect signatures for physics beyond the Standard Model.

These facilities, whose scientific potential is complementary to FAIR, provide an ideal training environment for future generations of scientists and a highly qualified workforce.

# Recommendations

## III. Support for theory and computing

Many of the major insights of recent years have been gained by confronting increasingly sophisticated theoretical tools with experimental data. The interplay between complementary theoretical approaches such as lattice QCD, effective field theories and functional methods has been a great asset for obtaining a deep understanding of hadronic properties in terms of fundamental interactions. Further progress depends crucially on the availability of large-scale computing facilities. We recommend that European computing laboratories receive the support that is necessary to provide an environment for internationally competitive calculations in lattice QCD.