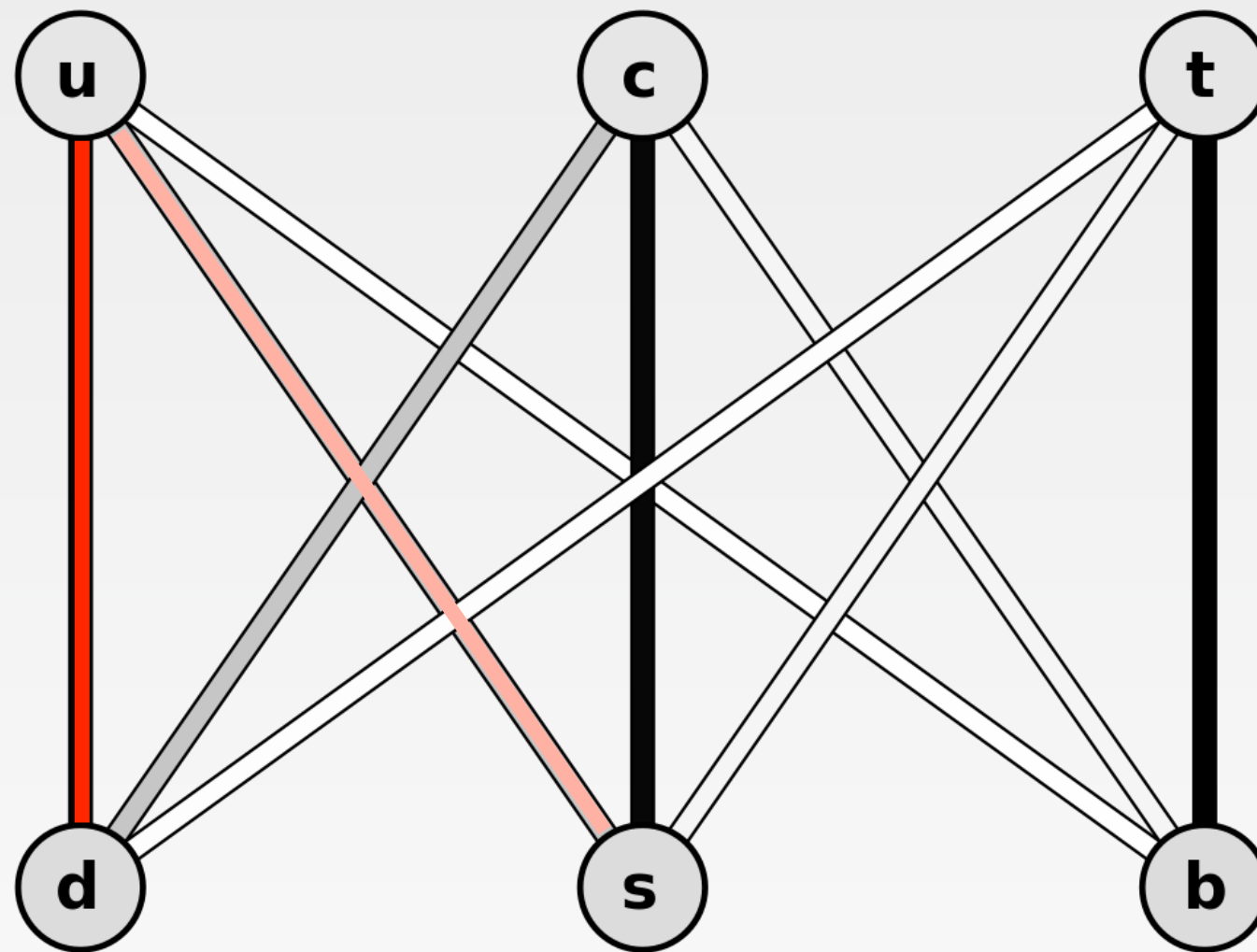




Strange and light flavour physics challenges in Lattice QCD

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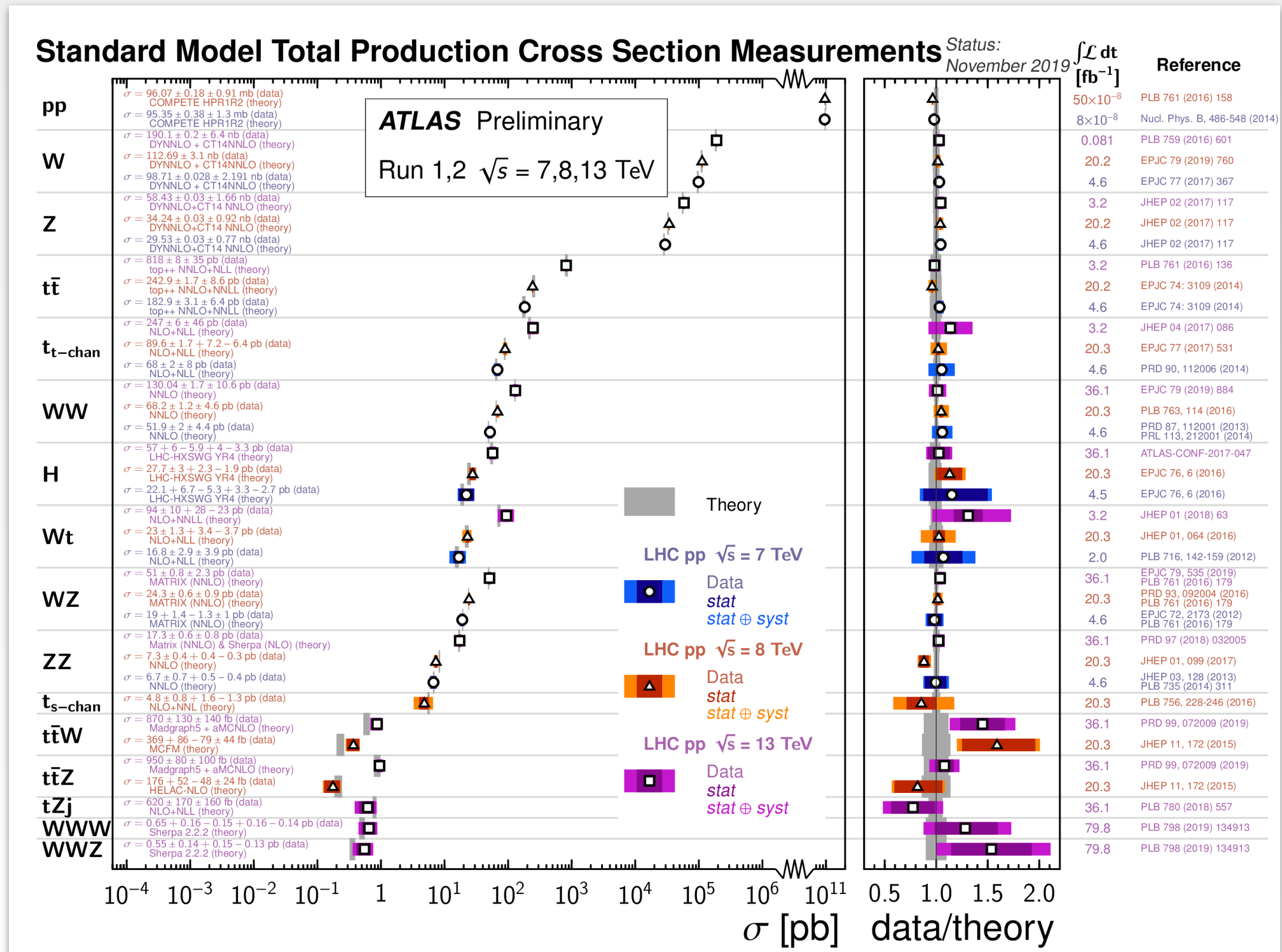


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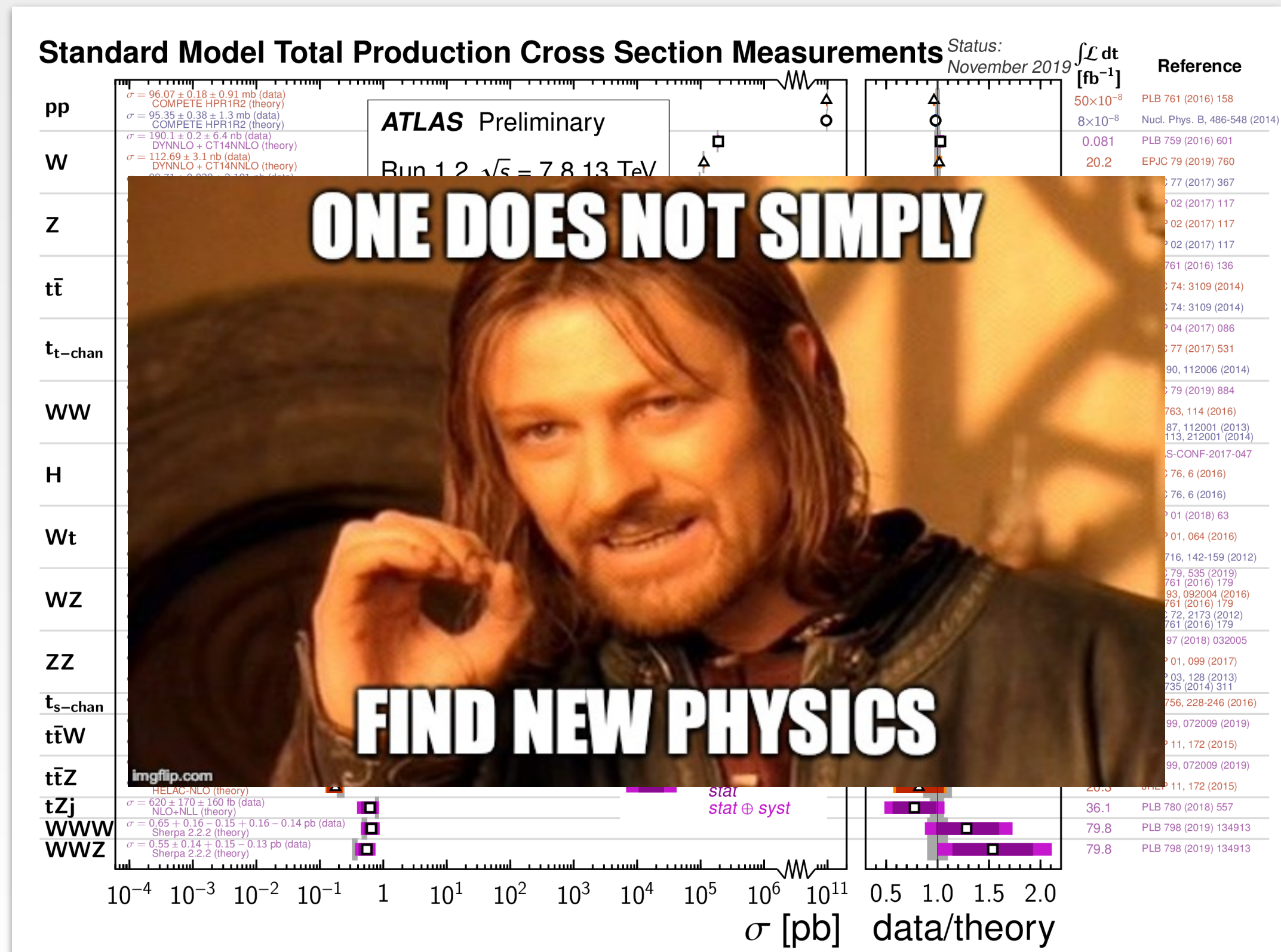
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- ▶ Software design perspectives

Physics motivations

The Standard Model vs. experiments



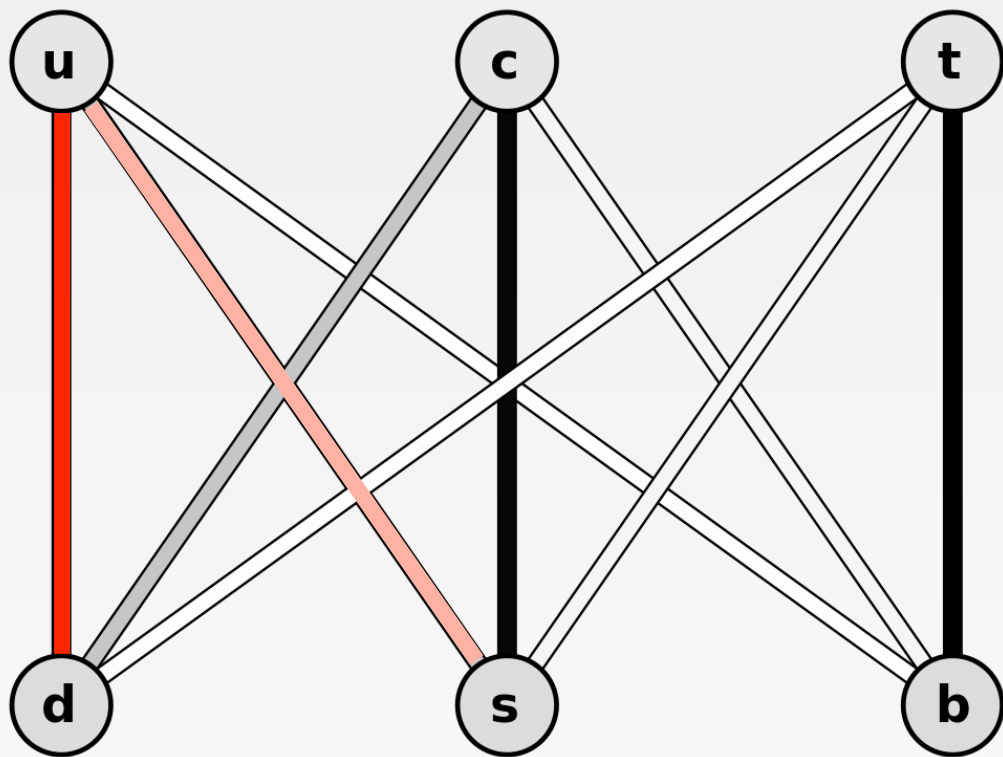
The Standard Model vs. experiments



Search for new physics

- ▶ No “spectacular” new physics in experiments
- ▶ Precision physics era:
it's all about **reliable** and **small** uncertainties
- ▶ Looking for anomalies: **indirect** search for new physics
- ▶ Flavour structure of the SM is likely dynamically generated by unknown laws of physics.

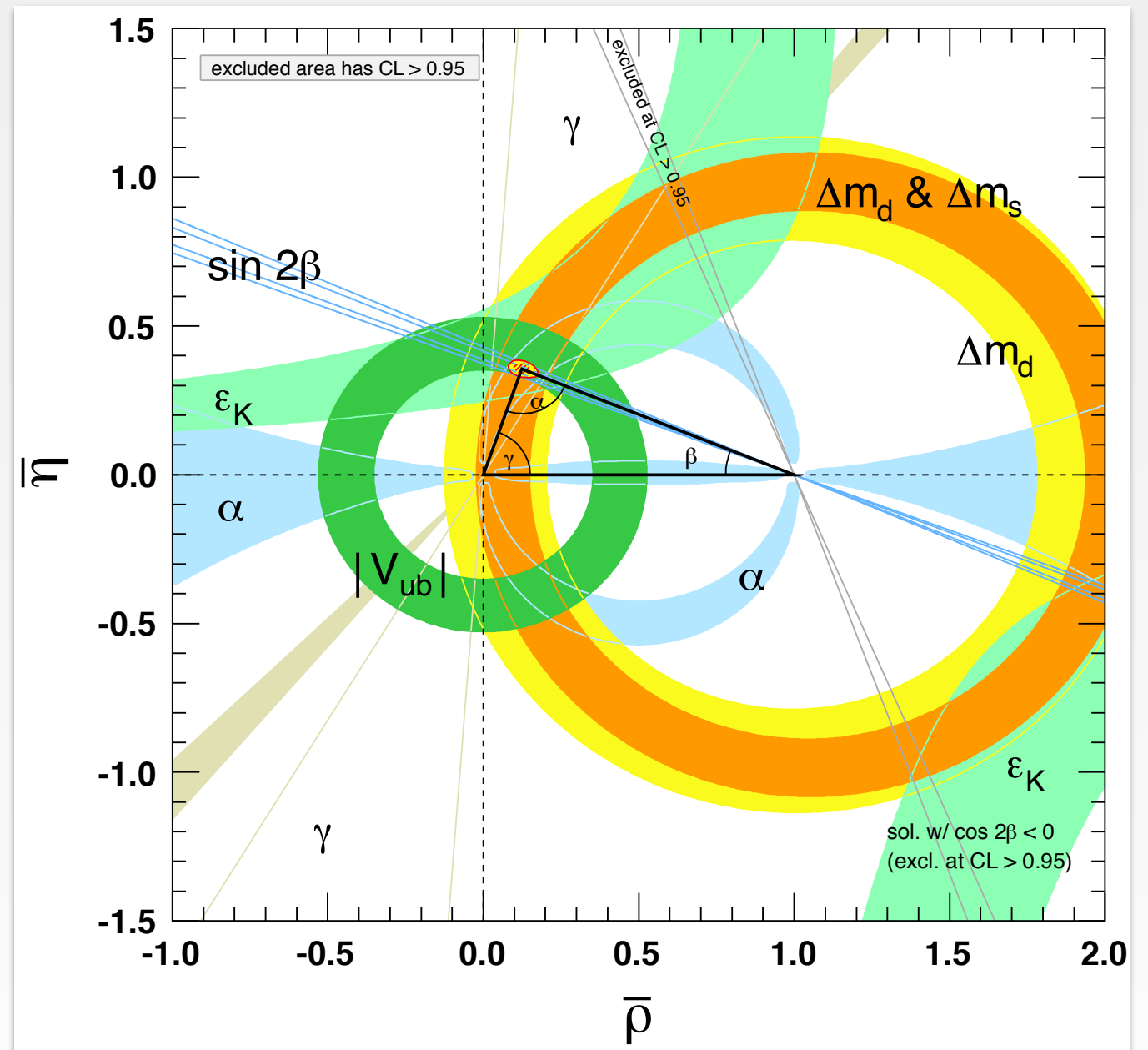
CKM matrix elements determination



$$|V_{ud}| = 0.97370 \pm 0.00014$$

$$|V_{us}| = 0.2245 \pm 0.0008$$

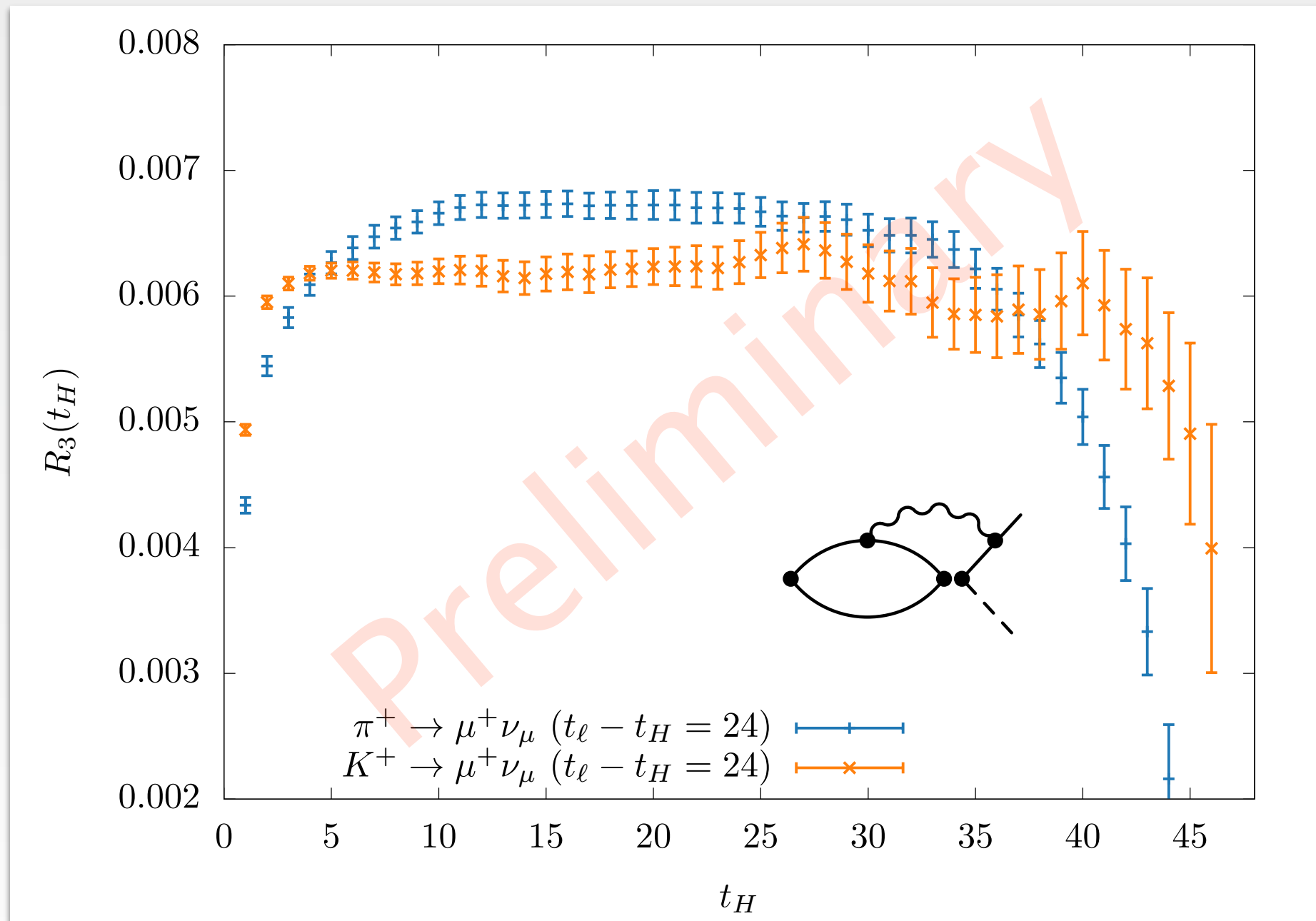
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Light CKM matrix elements

- ▶ V_{us} and V_{ud} can be obtained through $K/\pi \rightarrow \nu\ell$ ($K_{\ell 2}$) and $K \rightarrow \pi\nu\ell$ ($K_{\ell 3}$) decays.
- ▶ Uncertainties dominated by hadronic effects.
- ▶ Lattice determination beyond 1% precision.
Radiative corrections dominate uncertainty.

Radiative corrections at the physical point



RBC-UKQCD physical point Domain-Wall fermions
 $a \simeq 0.12$ fm $N_f = 2 + 1$ 96×48^3

Light CKM determination roadmap

- ▶ Theoretical framework needed for radiative corrections to semi-leptonic decays.
- ▶ Semi-leptonic hyperon decays.
(LHCb interest @KAON2019)
- ▶ Application of radiative corrections to heavy quark decays.

Rare strange-to-down decays

- ▶ Flavour-Changing Neutral Current
- ▶ Very suppressed in the SM.
- ▶ Experiments:

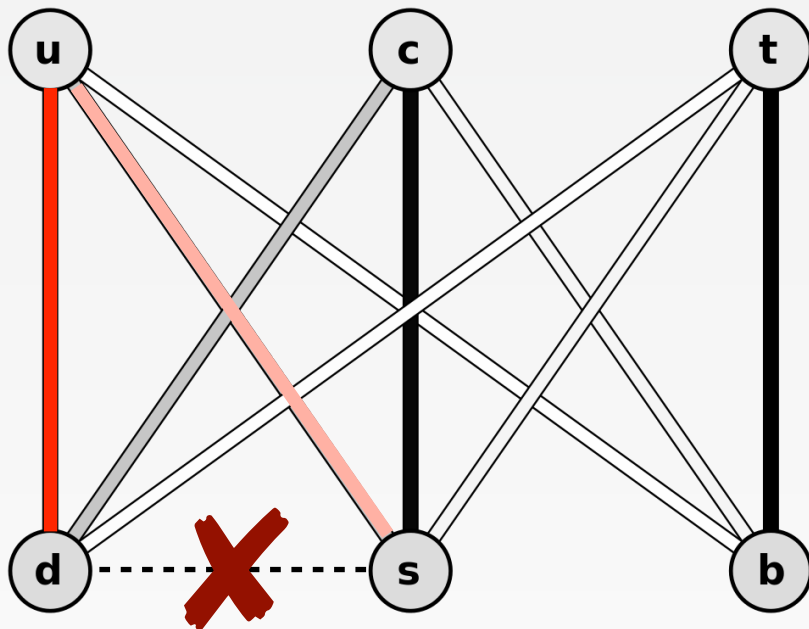
Rare kaon decays

NA62, KOTO, LHCb, KLEVER (future)

Rare hyperon decays

LHCb

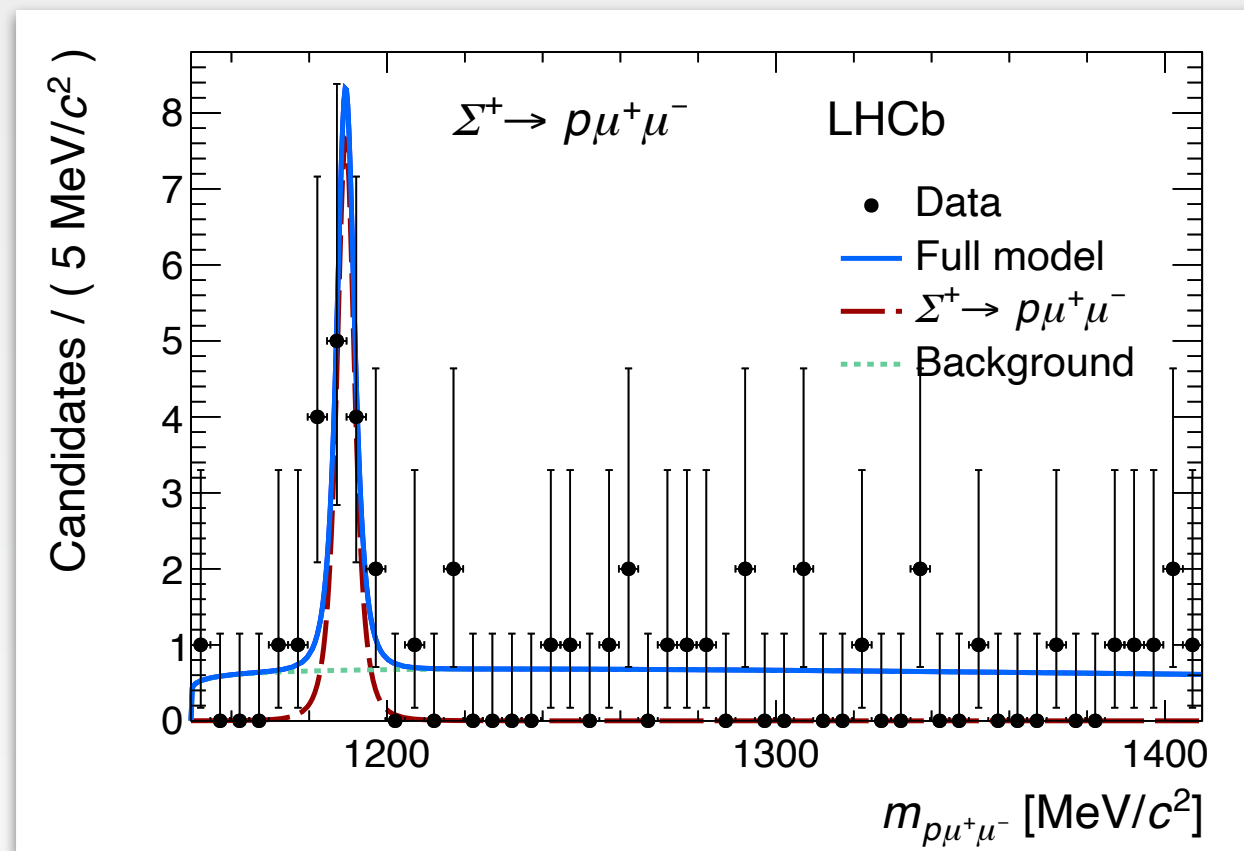
- ▶ Important hadronic SM uncertainties



Rare kaon decays

- ▶ $K \rightarrow \pi \bar{\nu} \nu$ decays: mainly short-distance dominated.
- ▶ Main experimental focus.
Lattice important for precision.
- ▶ $K \rightarrow \pi \ell^+ \ell^-$ decays: long-distance dominated.
- ▶ Measurements in progress at NA62 and LHCb.
- ▶ **Lattice needed for SM prediction.**
Important motivation for experiment.

Rare hyperon decays



[LHCb, PRL 120(22), 221803, 2018]

- ▶ First LHCb measurement in 2018, more to come.
- ▶ SM value poorly known. [He *et al.*, PRD 72(7), 074003, 2005]

Hadronic scattering

- ▶ Is that flavour physics? Not directly but highly relevant.
- ▶ $\pi\pi$, $K\pi$ scattering to **understand decay products**
 $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$, $D \rightarrow \pi\pi$, $B \rightarrow K^* \ell^+ \ell^-$, ...
- ▶ $\pi\pi$, $N\pi$ for **intermediate states** in rare decays.
- ▶ A lot of development for physical point calculations using distillation. [Peardon et al., PRD 80(5), 054506, 2009]

Computational challenges

Numerical complexity

- ▶ Quark propagator $S = D^{-1}\eta$ computed using iterative algorithms.

- ▶ Number of iterations grows like condition number

$$\kappa(D) = \left| \frac{\lambda_{\max}}{\lambda_{\min}} \right| = \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{1}{am_u} \right)$$

- ▶ Up quark very light: $\kappa(D)$ very large.
- ▶ Lattice QCD is one of the worst numerical problem.
- ▶ Realistic calculations only possible on large scale supercomputers.

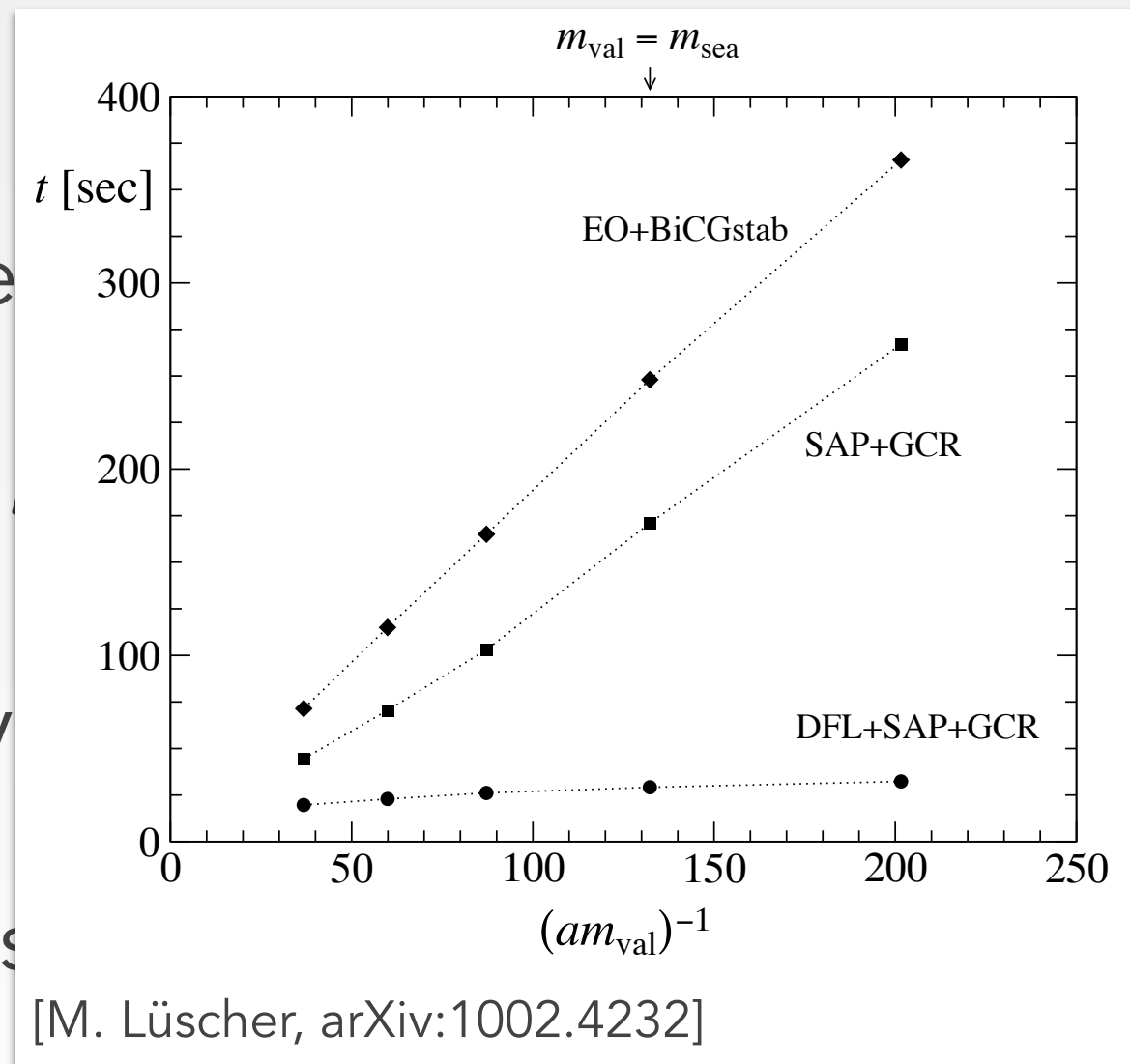
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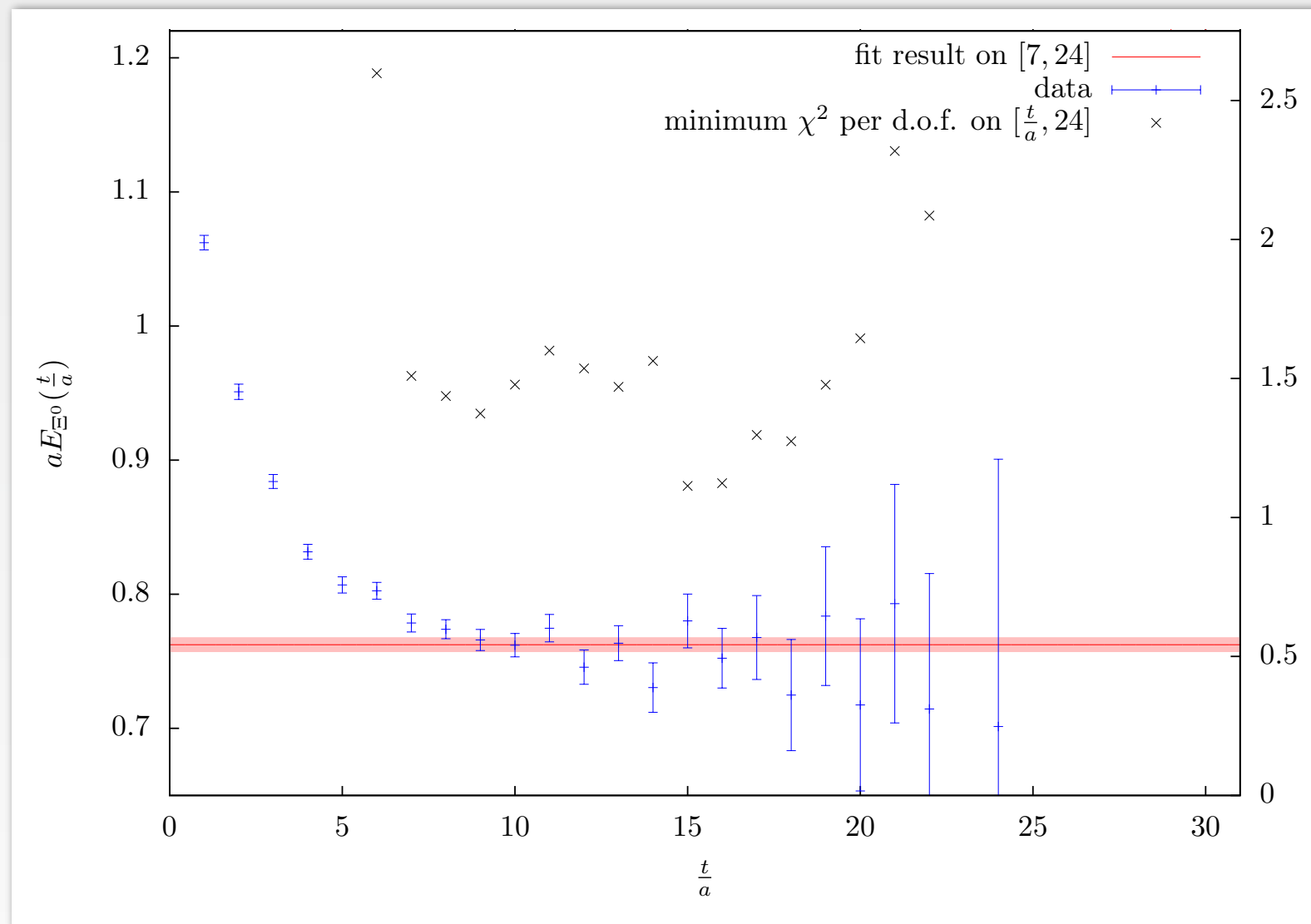
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Signal-to-noise ratio



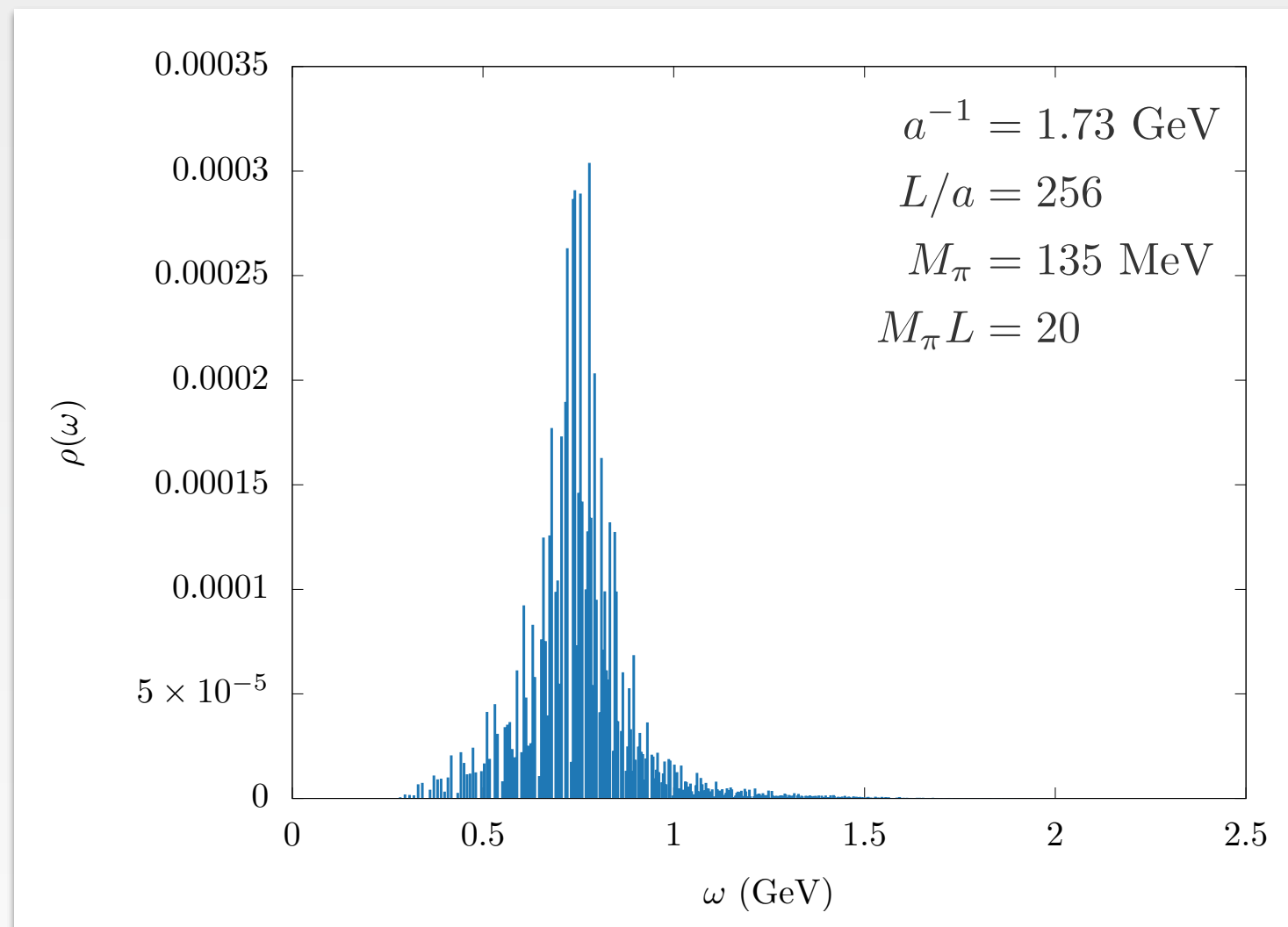
[A.P., PhD thesis]

- ▶ Baryons: exponential signal degradation...
- ▶ Pushes for new algorithmic developments
(e.g. multi-level algorithms [Cé *et al.*, PRD 93(9), 094507, 2016])

Data footprint

- ▶ Increasingly frequent use of eigenvector-based methods.
- ▶ Exact deflation using Dirac operator EVs.
- ▶ Low-mode averaging using Dirac operator EVs.
- ▶ Distillation for scattering using 3D Laplacian EVs.
- ▶ Current UKQCD jobs need to load 10 TB of EVs during startup!

New very-large volume paradigms?



- ▶ **"Spectral reconstruction"**: understand scattering through spectral densities rather than individual states

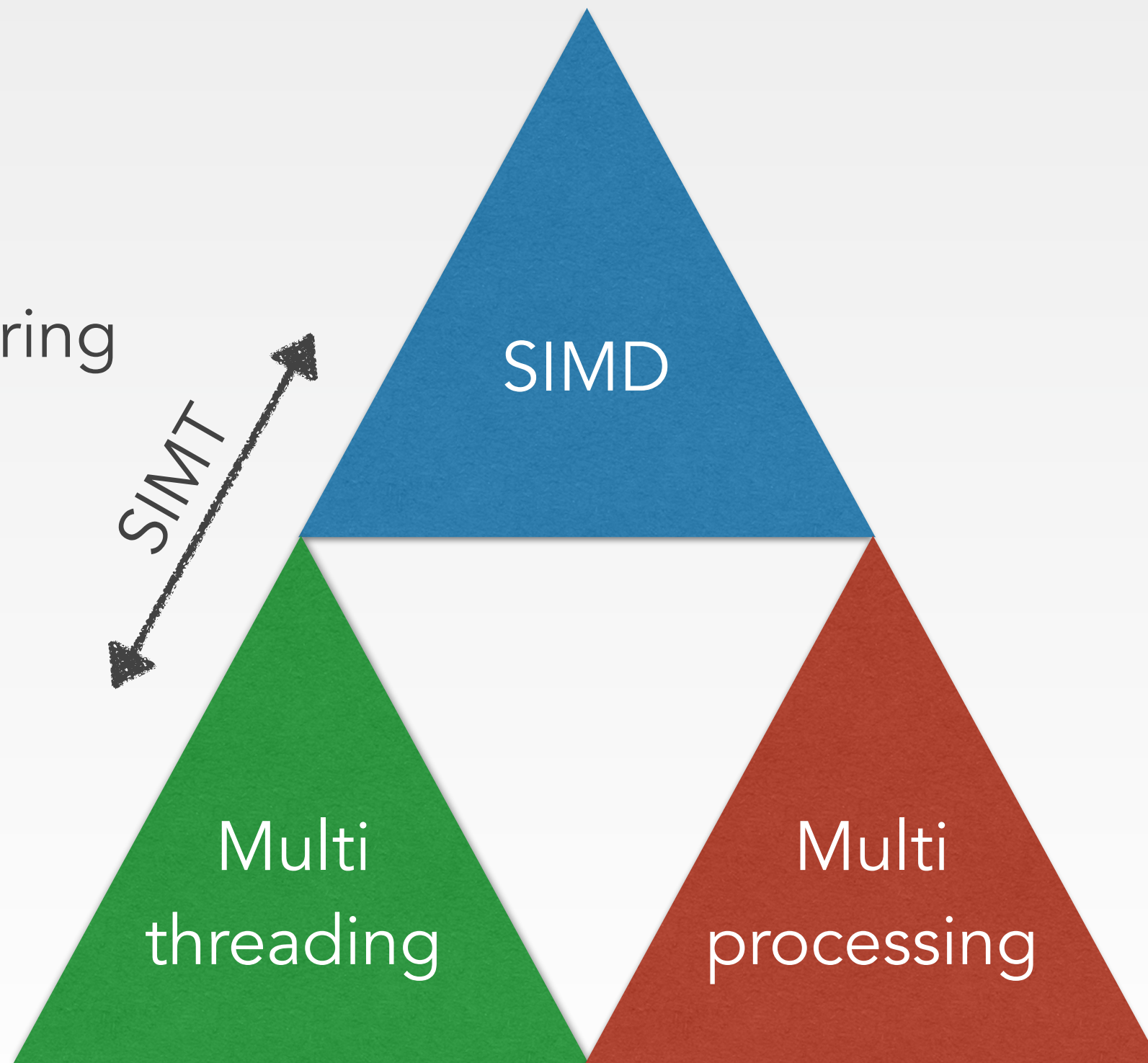
[M.T. Hansen *et al.*, PRD 96(9), 094513, 2016] [M. Hansen *et al.*, PRD 99(9), 094508, 2019]

- ▶ Need simulations at **high density of states**.

Software design perspectives

The parallelisation trinity

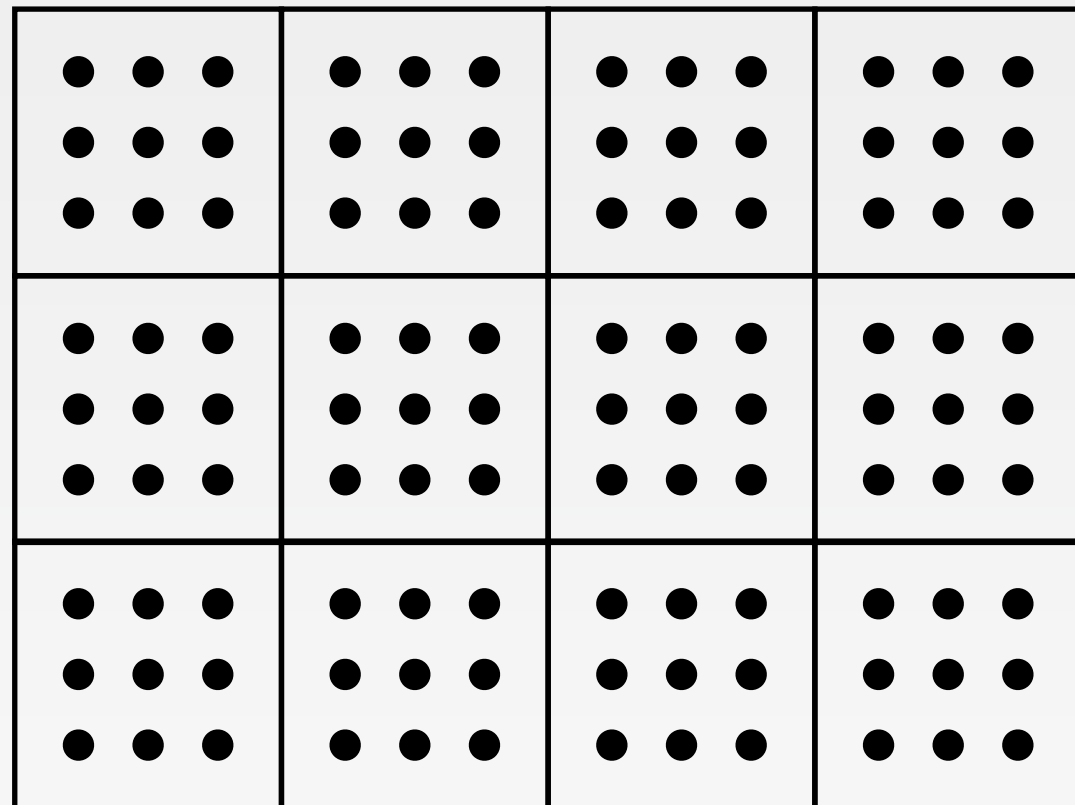
GPUs blurring
the lines



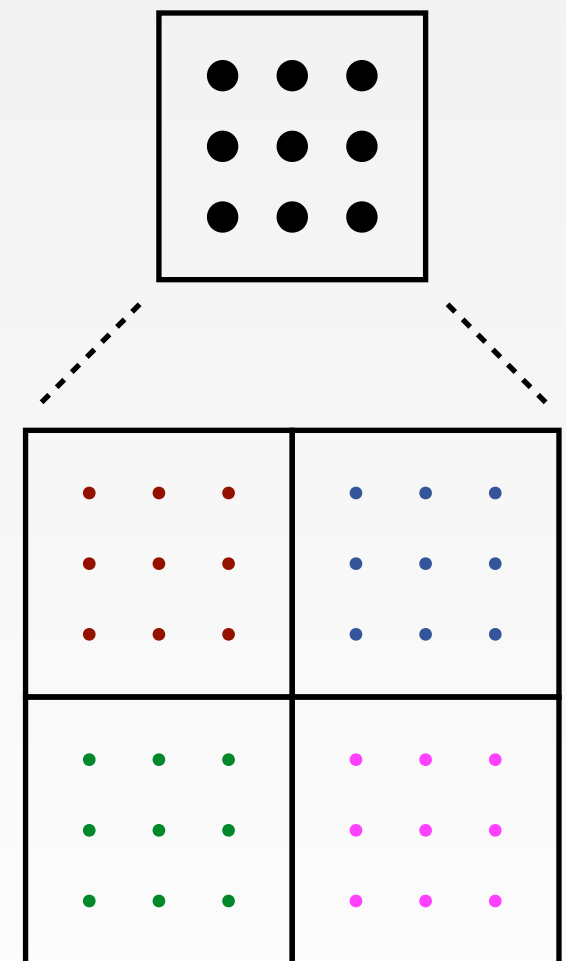
The Grid library

- ▶ Free (GPLv2) data parallel C++11 library.
<https://github.com/paboyle/Grid>
- ▶ Multi-platform, high-level code mostly platform-agnostic.
SSE, AVX, AVX2, AVX512, QPX, NEONv8, NVIDIA (post-Pascal)
- ▶ Implements popular lattice fermion actions
(Wilson, DWF, Staggered, ...)
- ▶ Implements many solvers
(CG (many flavours), multi-grid CG, Lanczos, ...)
- ▶ Implements full HMC/RHMC interface

Grid lattice layout



$\bullet = [\text{red dot} \text{ blue dot} \text{ green dot} \text{ magenta dot}]$
SIMD/SIMT vector



MPI Cartesian layout

High-efficiency halo exchange

Shared buffer and multi-endpoint comms

More details in

Peter Boyle's talk right after that!

Vectorised layout

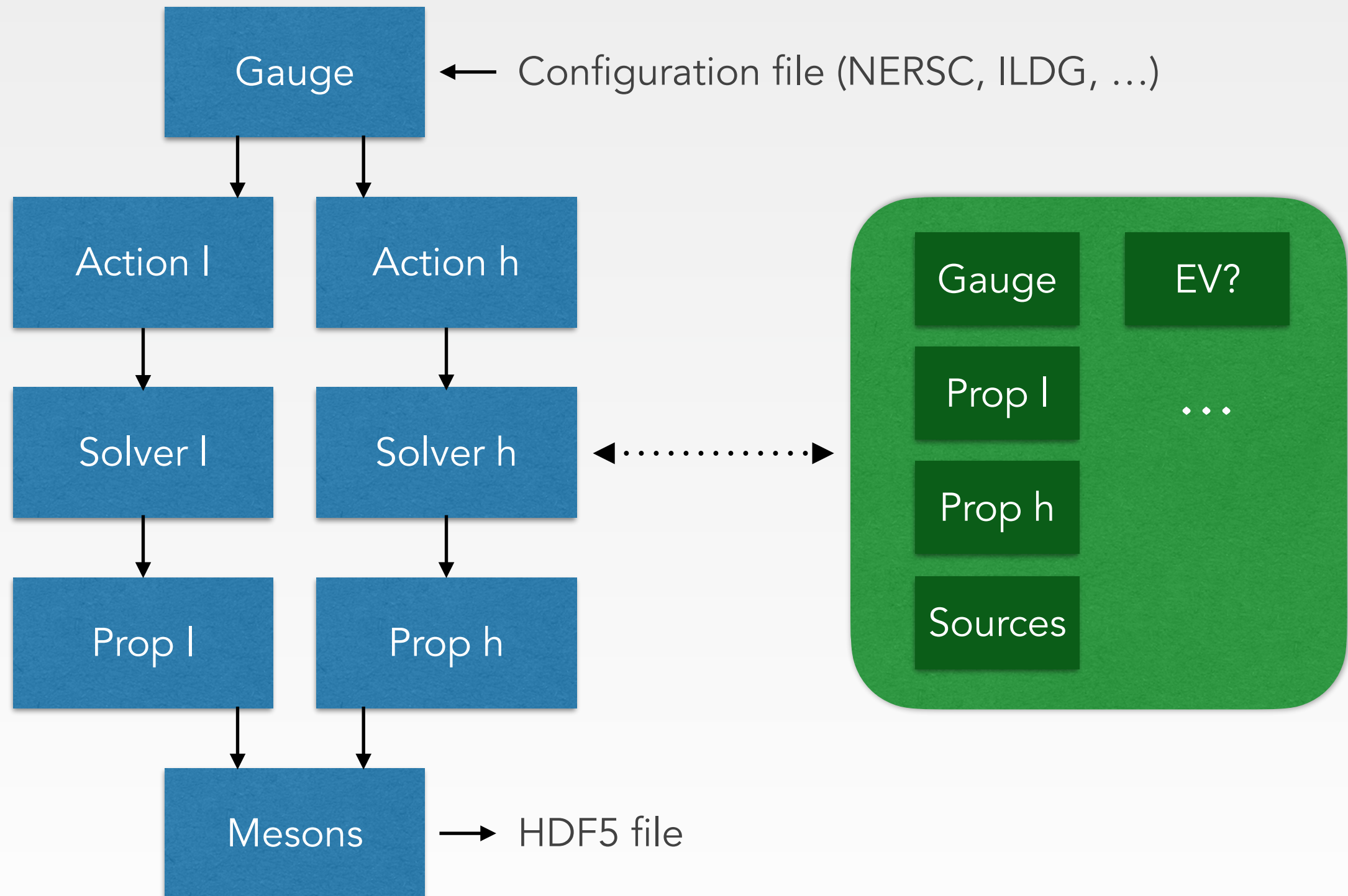
Big data challenges

- ▶ Large amounts of **heterogeneous data**.
- ▶ Complex & heterogeneous computational workflows.
- ▶ **Multi-level workflows**
(computation, post-processing, data analysis, ...)
- ▶ Software challenges:
modular automation, cataloging, fast data access, ...

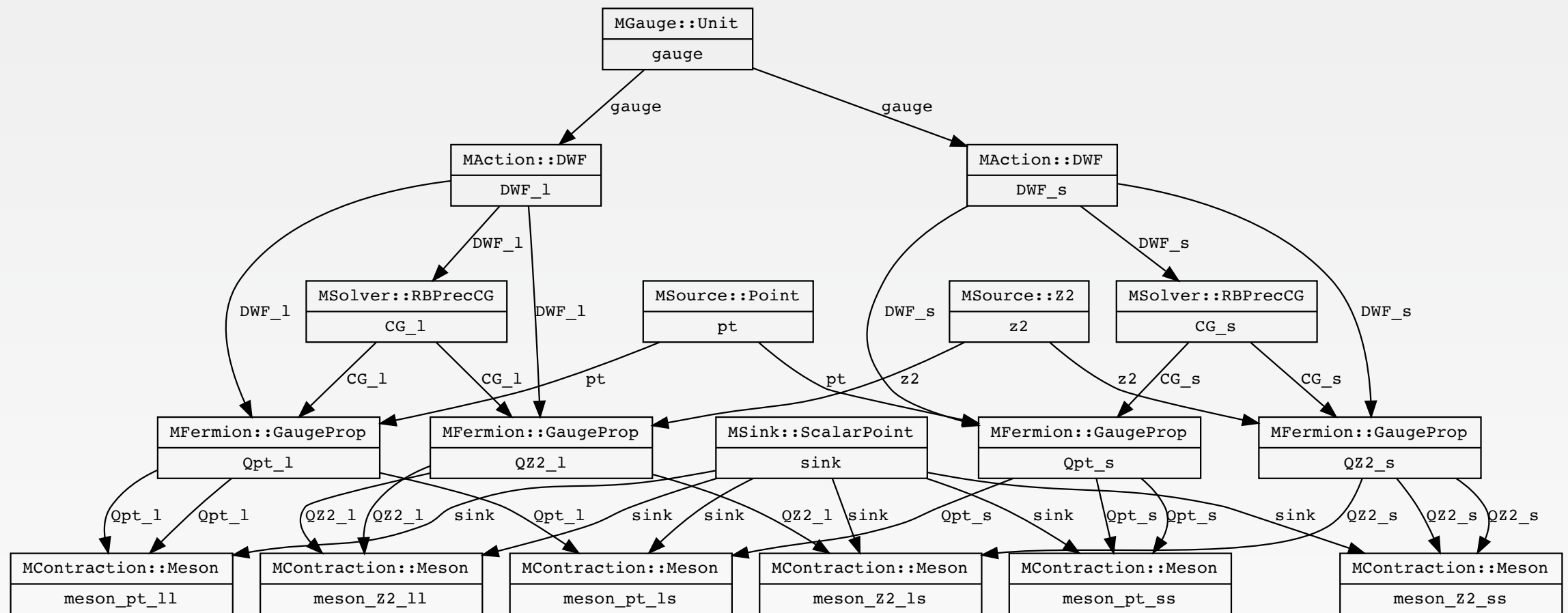
Hadrons workflow management system

- ▶ **Dataflow framework** for lattice calculations.
Entirely built around the **Grid library**.
<https://github.com/aportelli/Hadrons> (GPL v2)
- ▶ A lattice computation is represented as a **DAG of elementary steps**, “modules”.
- ▶ Automate scheduling the computation with **optimal memory footprint**.
- ▶ **Fast I/O** from Grid & HDF5, with checksums and metadata.
- ▶ Cataloging of results in **SQLite databases**.

Measurement data flow



Workflow example



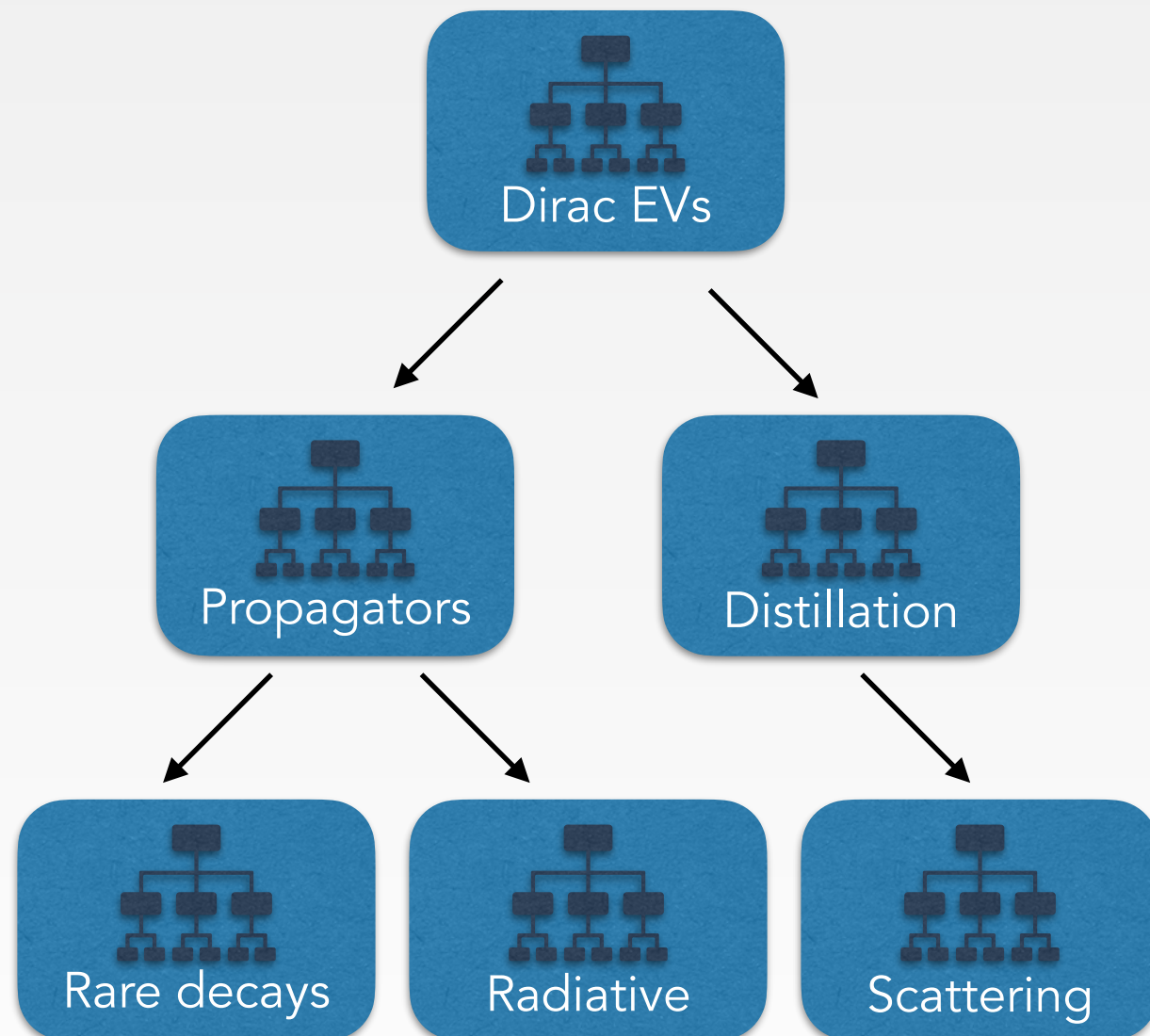
Strange & light meson spectrum
(trimmed down version of Test_hadrons_spectrum)

UKQCD production workflow examples

- ▶ Rare kaon & hyperon decays.
 - ▶ Isospin breaking corrections to light leptonic decays.
 - ▶ Isospin breaking corrections to the hadron spectrum.
 - ▶ Scattering using distillation.
 - ▶ Heavy flavour leptonic and semi-leptonic decays.
 - ▶ Holographic cosmology.
- ~70% of Tesseract (Edinburgh) ~6% of Cumulus SKL (Cambridge)

Heterogeneous workflows ✓

Future: multi-level workflows



- ▶ Higher-level workflow between lattice jobs.
- ▶ Currently handled manually.
- ▶ More automation needed for future large-scale projects?
- ▶ e.g. Pegasus & LIGO
<https://pegasus.isi.edu>

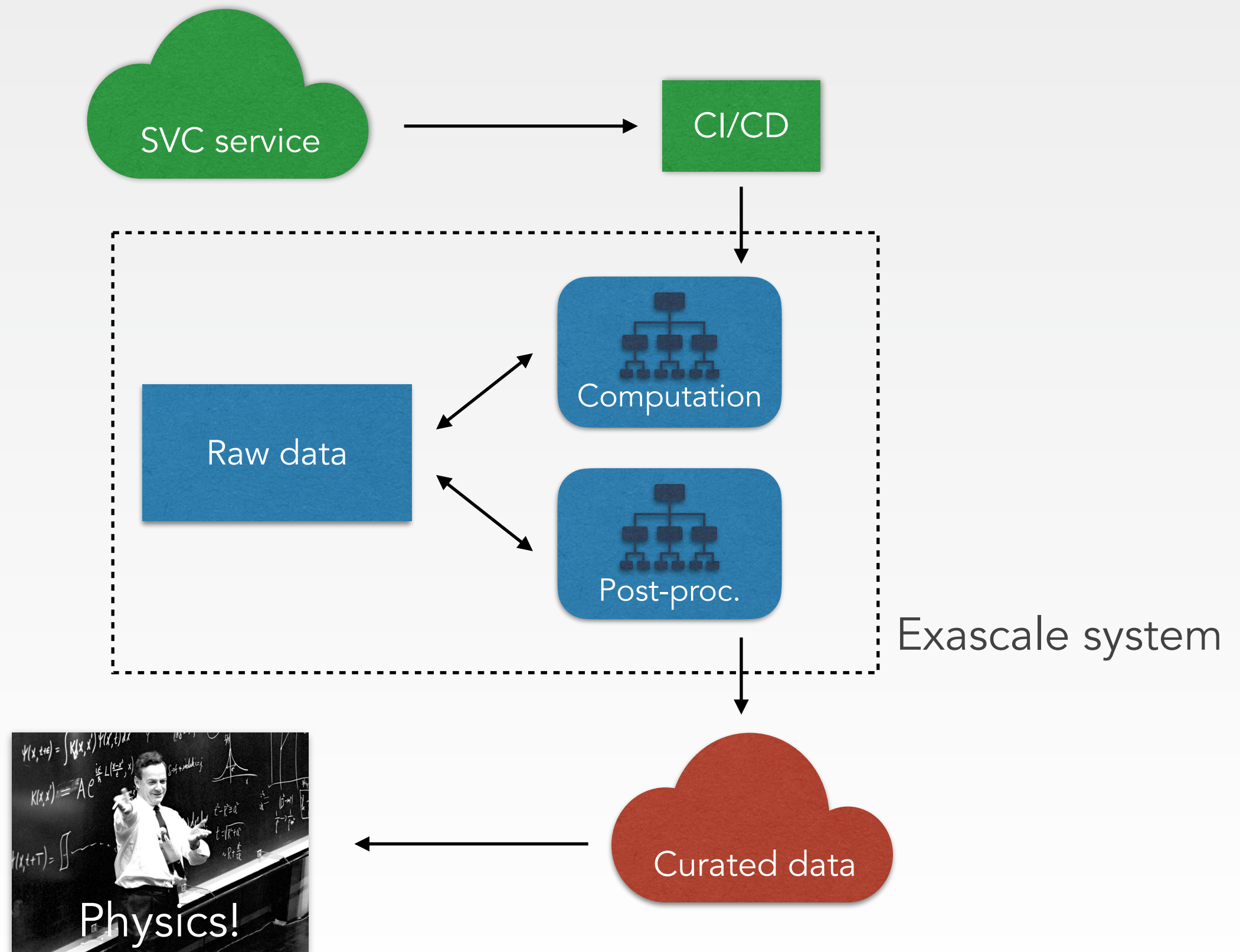
Future: more hierarchical storage

- ▶ EV-based methods: frequently need to load large volume of data.
- ▶ I/O expensive, needs to be amortised within a job.
- ▶ **Even more modularity with faster I/O?**
NVME technology might be important for lattice?
- ▶ Hierarchical storage important to deal with PB of data (e.g. NVME / parallel FS / tape archive)

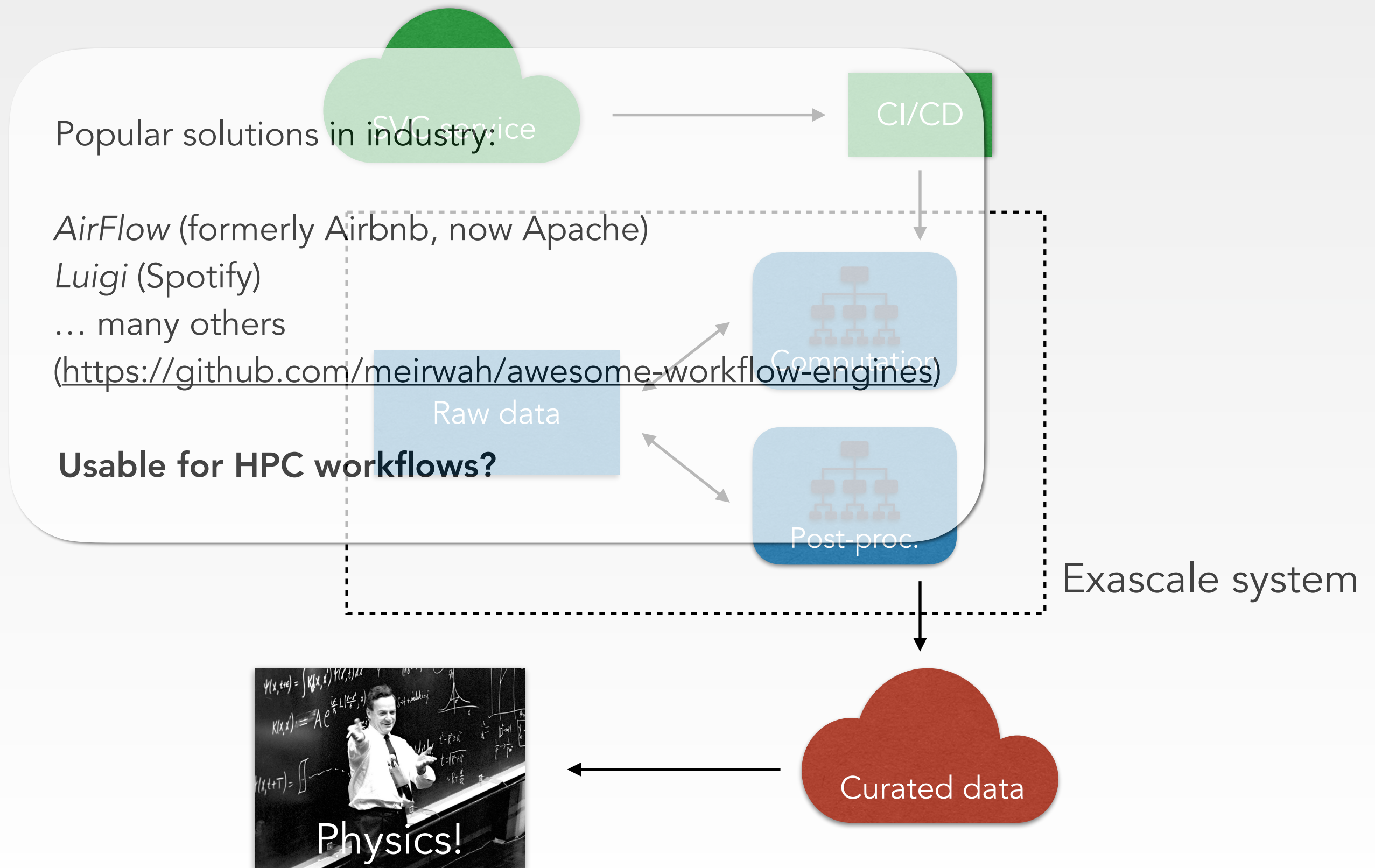
Future: data curation

- ▶ How to share scientific data publicly across an HPC infrastructure?
- ▶ How to present large, complex amount of data in an efficiently queryable form?
(cf. Hadrons' SQLite support)
- ▶ Can we take advantage of decentralised data solutions?
(cloud storage, distributed ledgers, ...)

Future: automated workflows



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Outlook

- ▶ Light flavour physics at the core of **current and future international particle physics experiments.**
- ▶ The high computational cost of lattice QCD leads to **complex computation methods.**
- ▶ These calculations keep **pushing the boundaries** of HPC systems, both for **computational power** and **data storage.**
- ▶ Increasingly complex methodologies and large amount of data are a **challenge for automating projects.**

Thank you!



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