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# Extreme QCD Matter Exploration meets Machine Learning

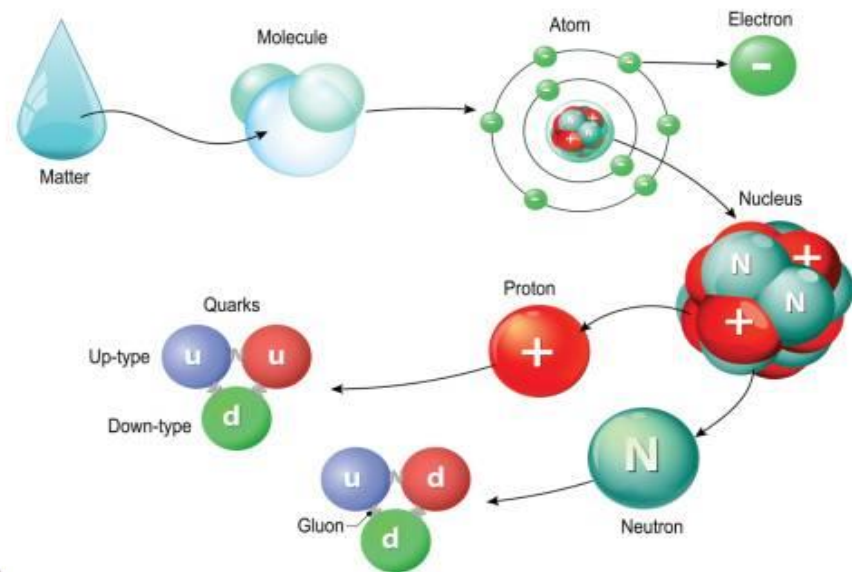
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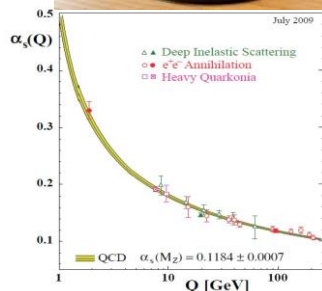
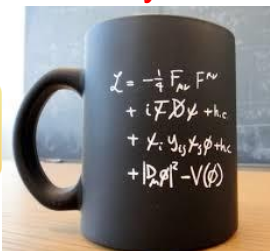
# Overview : Matter's Elements/Structures

- Reductionism perspective for exploring matter  
Hierarchy of structures of Matter →
- Most Basic Elements : Quarks and Gluons
- Elementary Interactions :  
Quantum Chromodynamics QCD

## MATTER from molecule to quark

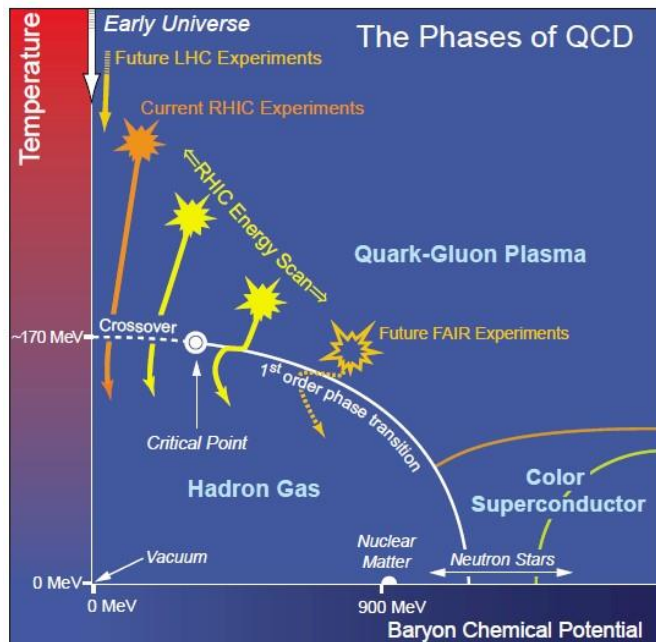
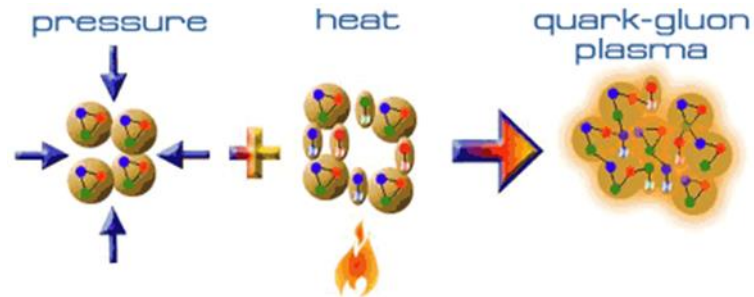


mass →	≈2.3 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	≈1.275 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	≈173.07 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	0	≈126 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>
charge →	2/3	2/3	2/3	0	0
spin →	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	0
	<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top	<b>g</b> gluon	<b>H</b> Higgs boson
<b>QUARKS</b>					
	≈4.8 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	≈95 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	≈4.18 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	0	0
	-1/3	-1/3	-1/3	0	0
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	1
	<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom	<b>γ</b> photon	
	0.511 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	105.7 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	1.777 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	91.2 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	
	-1	-1	-1	0	
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	
	<b>e</b> electron	<b>μ</b> muon	<b>τ</b> tau	<b>Z</b> Z boson	
<b>LEPTONS</b>					
	<2.2 eV/c <sup>2</sup>	<0.17 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	≈15.5 MeV/c <sup>2</sup>	80.4 GeV/c <sup>2</sup>	
	0	0	0	±1	
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1	
	<b>ν<sub>e</sub></b> electron neutrino	<b>ν<sub>μ</sub></b> muon neutrino	<b>ν<sub>τ</sub></b> tau neutrino	<b>W</b> W boson	
					<b>GAUGE BOSONS</b>



# Overview : Matter's States – More is different !

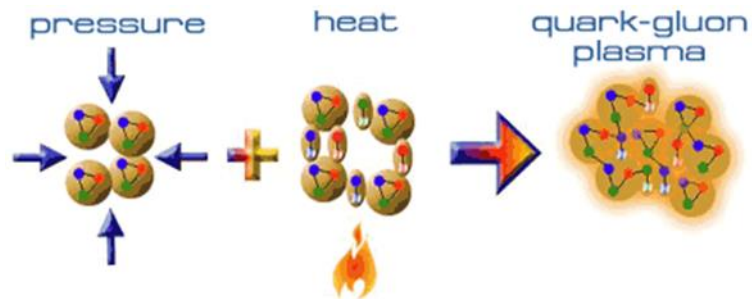
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- Matter in extreme conditions reveals its **constituents** :  
nuclear matter → quark matter



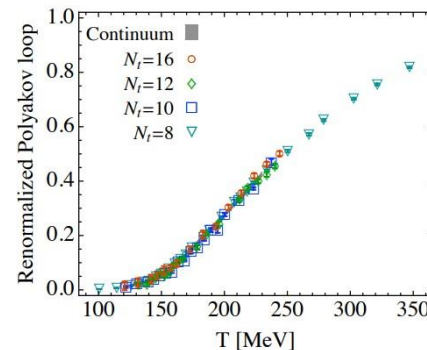
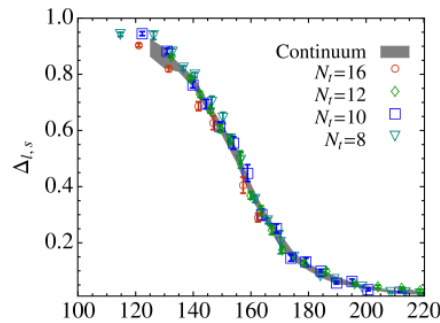
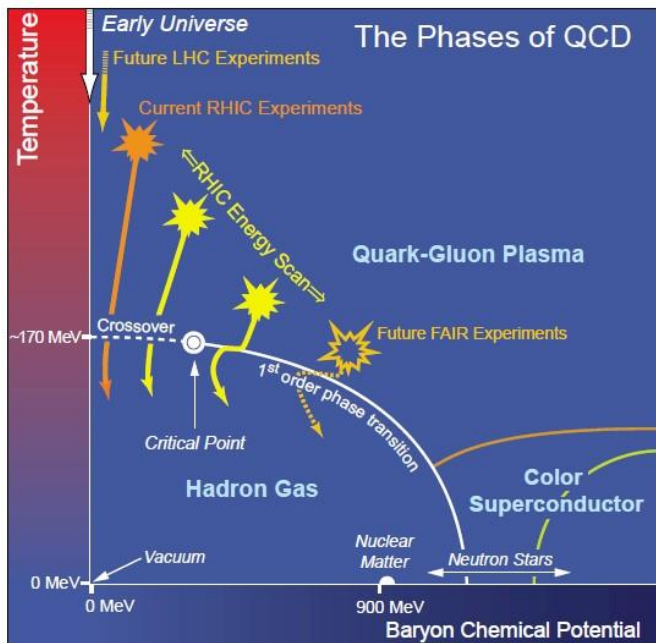
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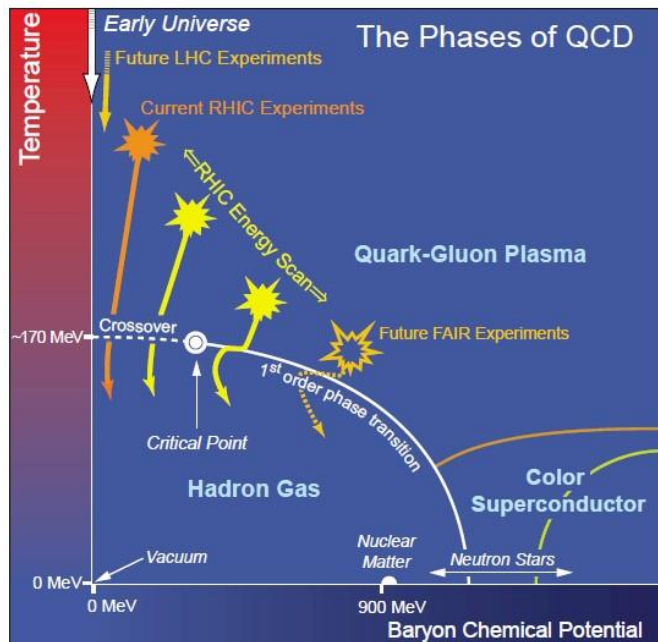
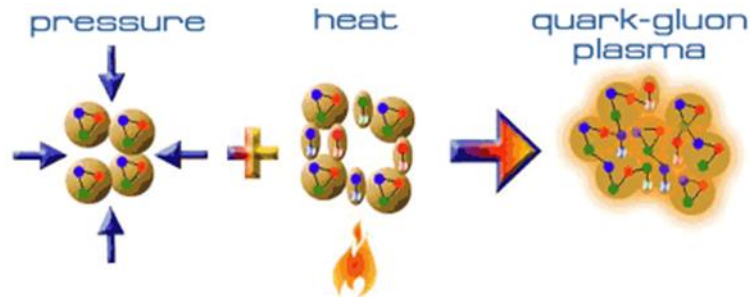


- Quark condensate and Polyakov loop
- Chiral symmetry breaking restoration and Deconfinement

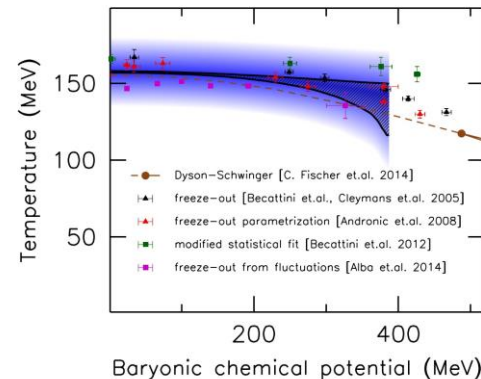
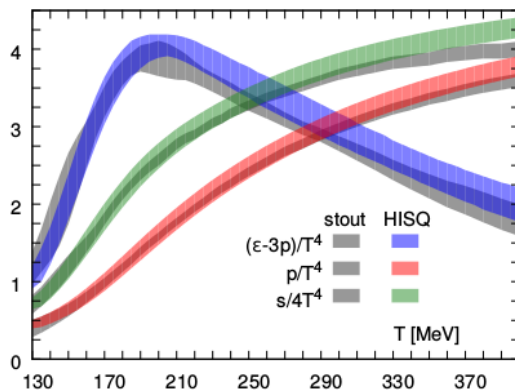


# Overview : Lattice QCD – Equation of State (EoS)

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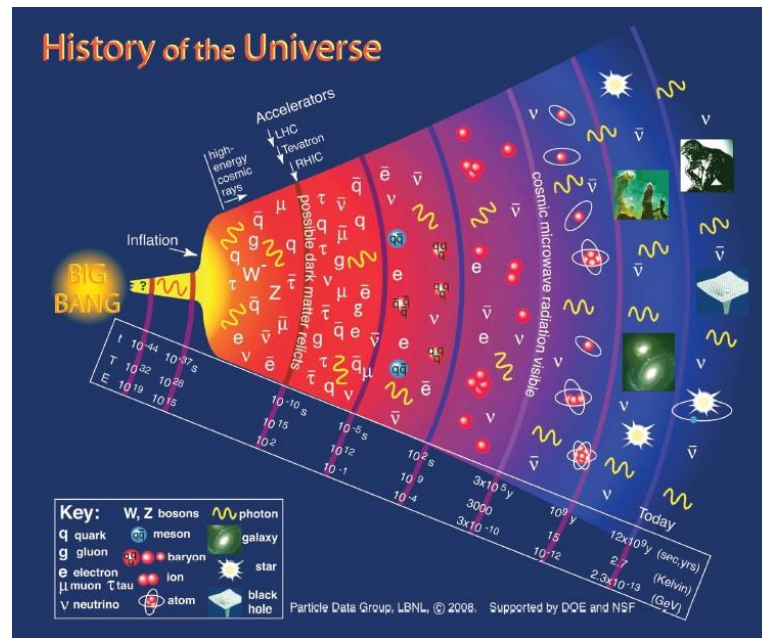
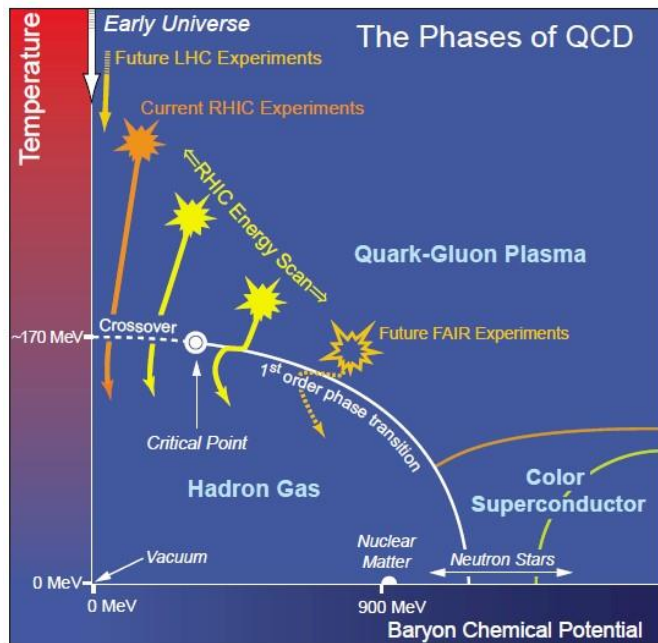


Bazavov, et al., Nucl.Phys.A (2014) 867-871



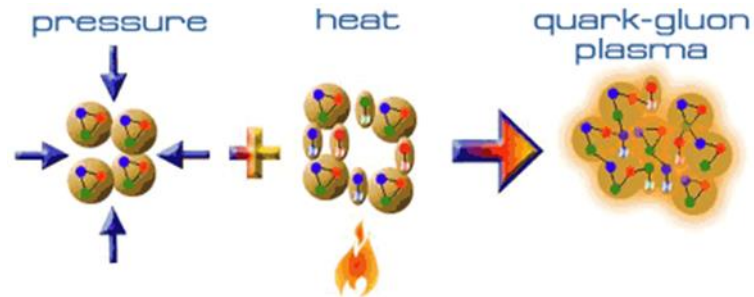
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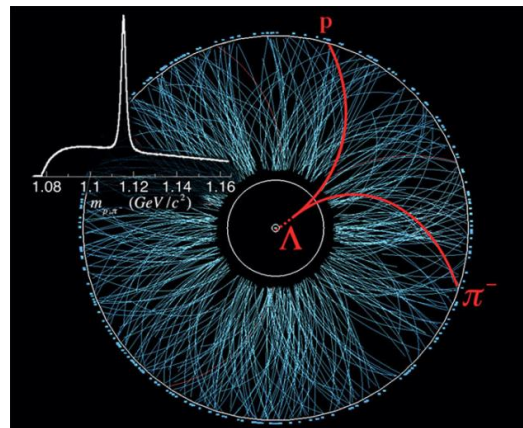


# Overview : Heavy Ion Collisions

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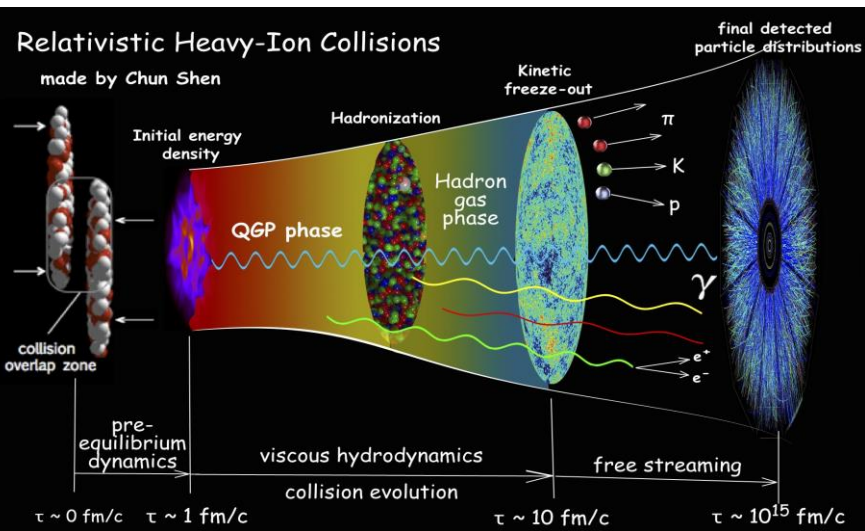
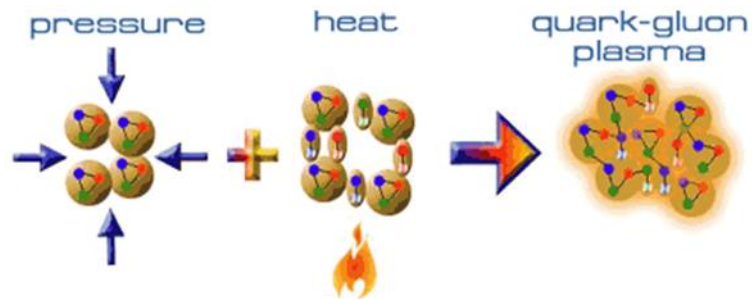


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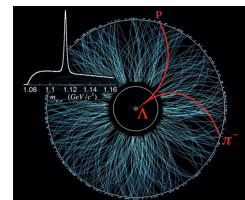


# Overview : Little Bang

- Terrestrial Lab of ‘heat /compress’ machine
- The **Little Bang** from the collider :



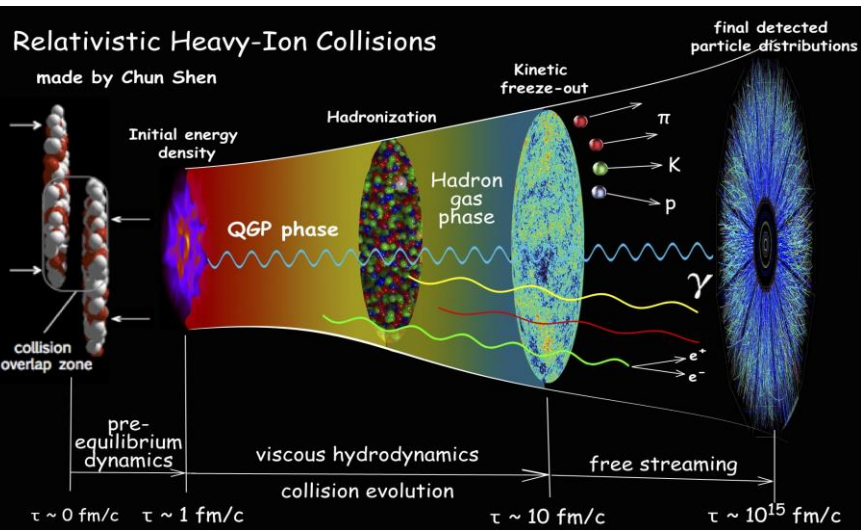
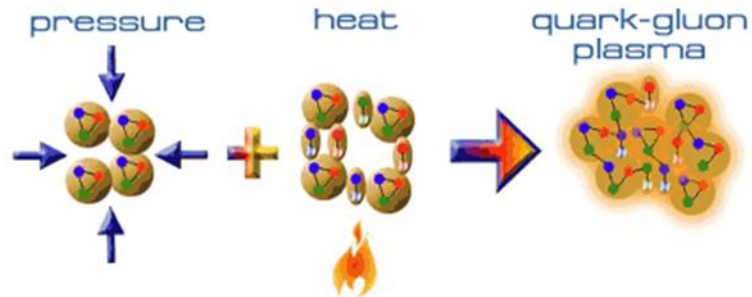
- **Experiment** : measures final hadrons and leptons
- **How to learn about physics from Experiment ?**
- **Confront Theory/Model with Data**





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- Transport models based on Boltzmann Equations

$$p^\mu \partial_\mu f + F \cdot \partial_p f = \sum_i C[f]$$

- Relativistic Hydrodynamics : macroscopic d.o.f

$$\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

$$\partial_\mu N^\mu = 0 \quad + \text{equation of state (EoS)}$$

- State of the Art : Hybrid Transport

Combine microscopic and macroscopic d.o.f

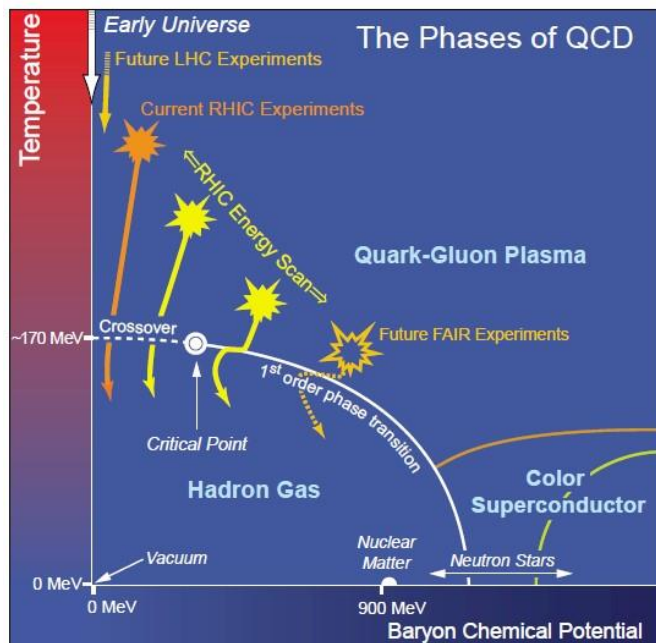
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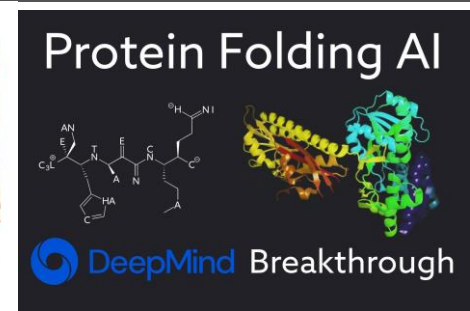
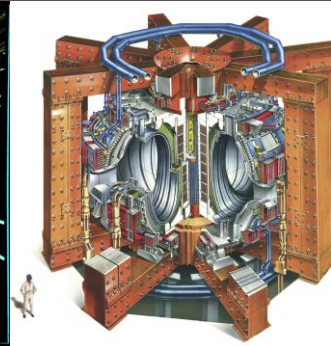
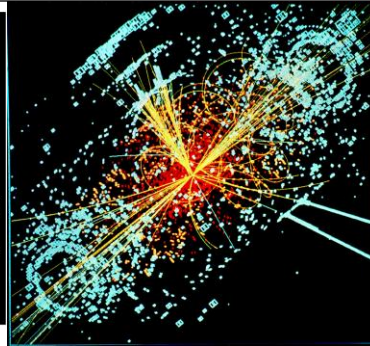
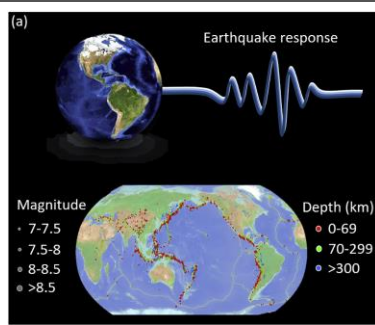
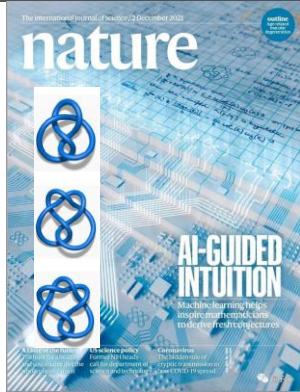


To study QCD matter under extreme conditions :

- **Nuclear Collisions** : heat & compress matter
- **Neutron Star** : dense matter, astronomy constraints
- **Lattice Field Theory / fQCD / effective models**



# Overview : Machine- and Deep-Learning

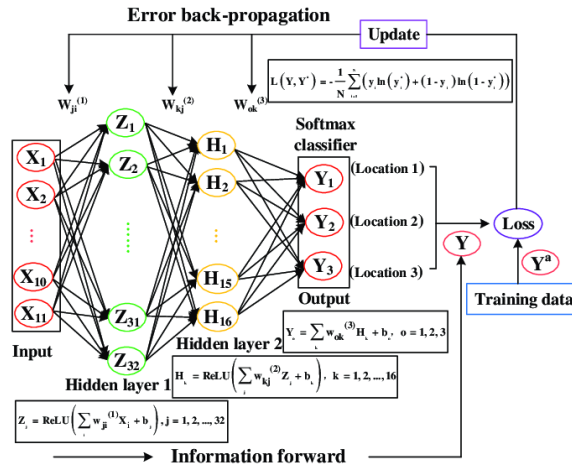


Find and Decode the mapping/representations into

Deep Neural Network

➔ **Function approximator**

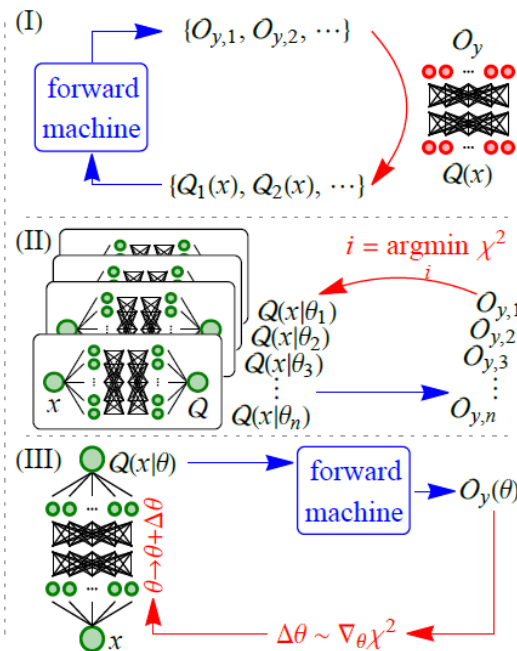
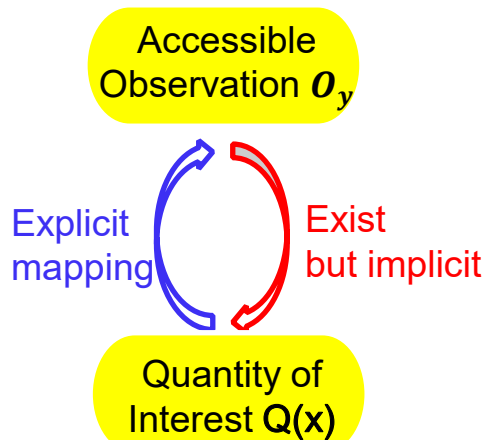
Universal approximator (Hastad et al 86 & 91)



Differentiable programming

Backward Propagation

Gradient Descent Algorithm



- **Direct inverse mapping capturing :**  
with Supervised Learning
- **Statistical approach to  $\chi^2$  fitting :**  
Bayesian Reconstruction for posterior or Heuristic (Generic) Algorithm to min.
- **Automatic Differentiation :**  
fuse physical prior into reconstruction via differentiable programming strategy

$$\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\theta} \chi^2 = \sum_y \frac{\mathcal{F}_y[Q_{\text{NN}}(x|\theta)] - O_y}{(\Delta O_y)^2} \int dx \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}_y[Q(x)]}{\delta Q(x)} \Big|_{Q(x)=Q_{\text{NN}}(x|\theta)} \nabla_{\theta} Q_{\text{NN}}(x|\theta)$$

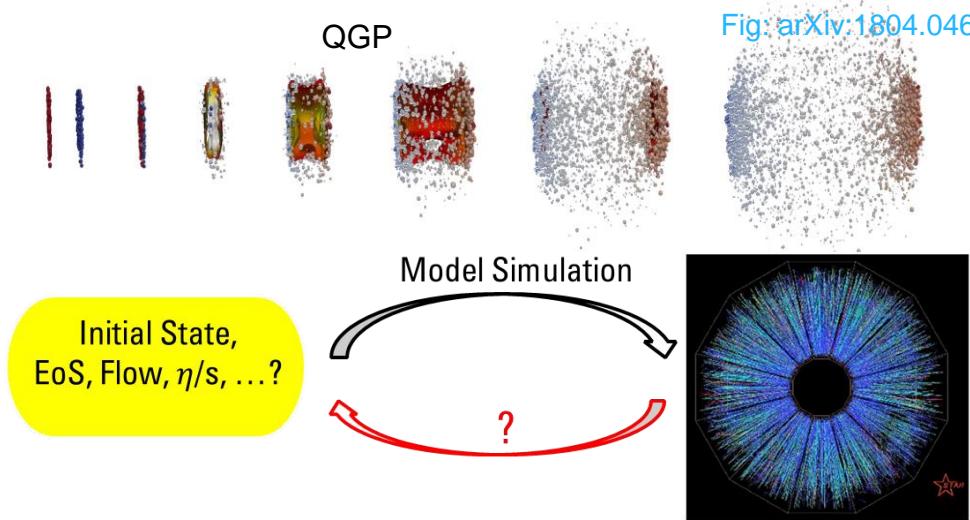


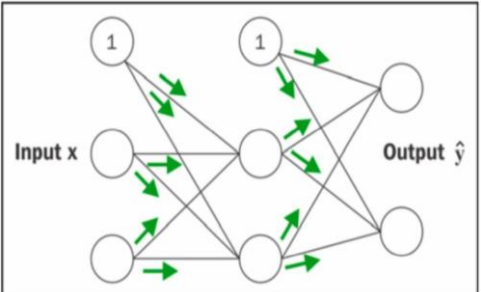
Fig: arXiv:1804.04649

- **Uncertainties** in HIC modeling
- Multiple parameters **entangle** with multiple observables
- How to **disentangle different factors** to reveal fundamental physics from the dynamical environment final state?

Universal approximator

Differentiable programming

Gradient based optimization



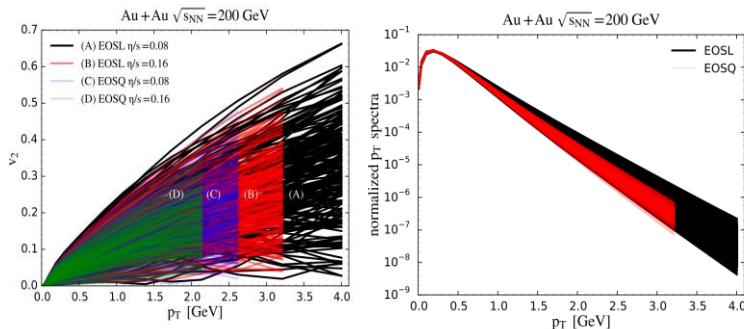
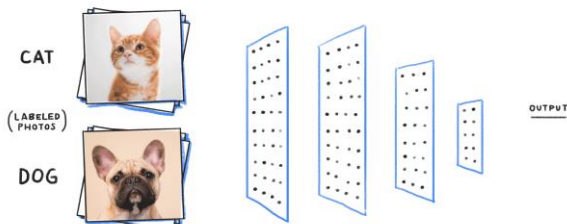
## Bayes' Theorem

$$\underbrace{P(\theta | y)}_{\text{Posterior}} \propto \prod_i^N \underbrace{P(y_i | \theta)}_{\text{Data Likelihood}} \underbrace{P(\theta)}_{\text{Prior}}$$

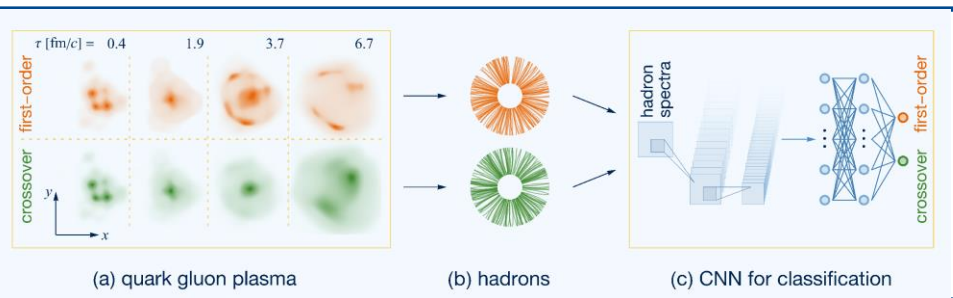
# Direct inverse mapping with CNN for identifying QCD transition

Data-driven  
Inverse Mapping

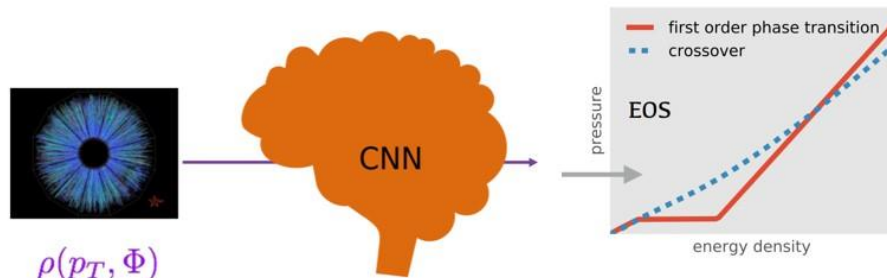
Physics Simulation  
provide the Prior



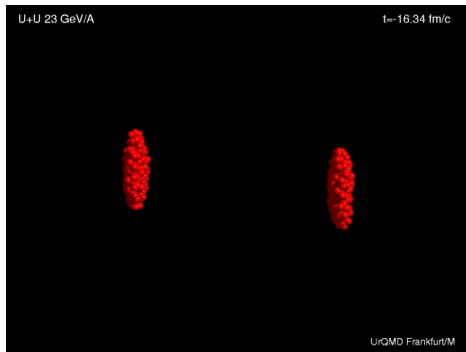
- Conventional obs. hard to distinguish
- Strongly influence from initial fluctuations and other uncertainties
- CNN : 95% event-by-event accuracy!
- Robust to initial conditions, eta/s



**Conclusion** : Information of early dynamics can **survive** to the end of hydrodynamics and encoded within the final state raw spectra, immune to evolution's uncertainties, **with deep CNN we can decode it back.**

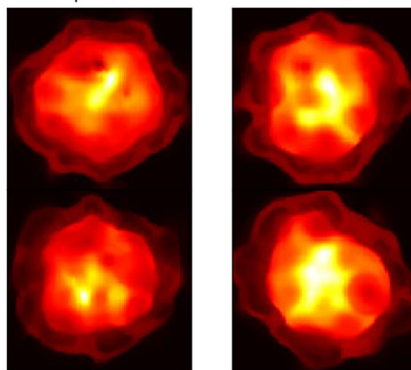


## Hadronic cascade (UrQMD considered)



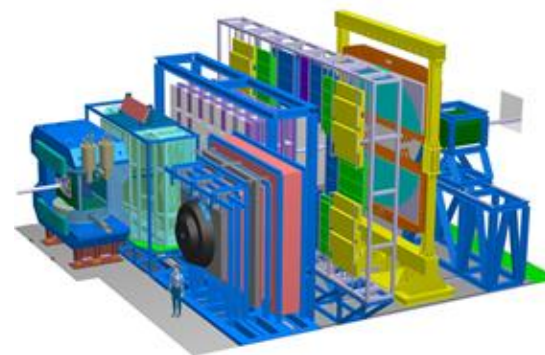
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## Non-equilibrium transition (Baryon Clumping, spinodal)



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## Detector effects (Hits/Tracks, Point-Net)



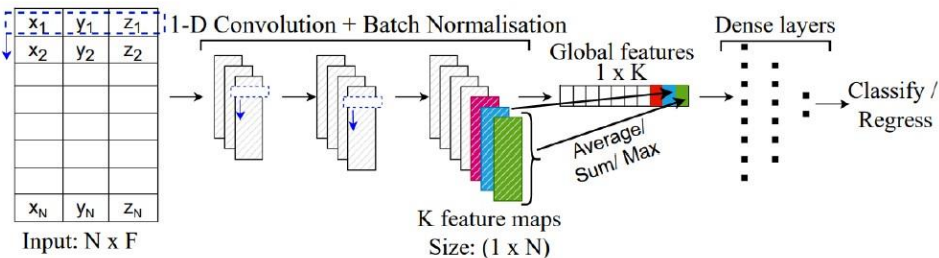
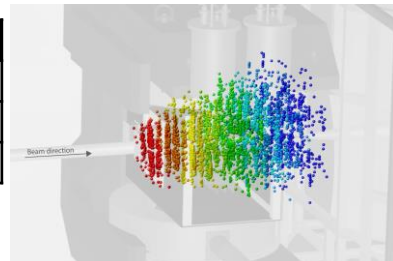
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# Point Cloud Network for Physics online analysis for HICs

- Experimental data has inherent **point cloud structure**
  - collection of particles as 2D array**:
- PointNet** based models learn directly from point clouds.
  - respects the **order invariance** of point clouds
  - direct processing of experimental data from detector  $\Rightarrow$  **ideal online analysis algorithm**
  - optimal for higher dimensional data

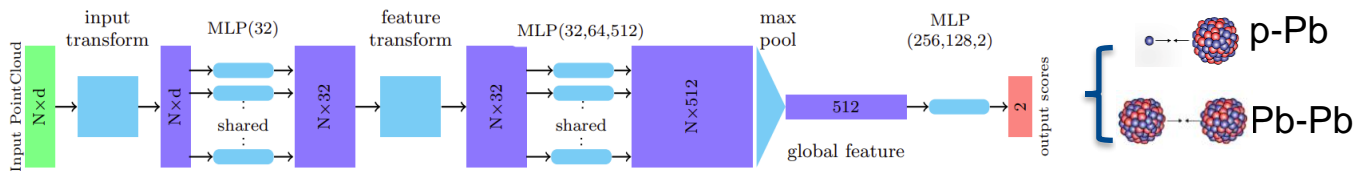
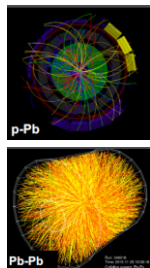
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Xn	yn	Zn

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- Collision Centrality Regression**
- EoS Classification**
- Small/ Large-system Identification**

Manjunath O.K. and Kai Zhou, etc. *Phys.Lett.B* 811 (2020) 135872; *JHEP*10(2021)184.



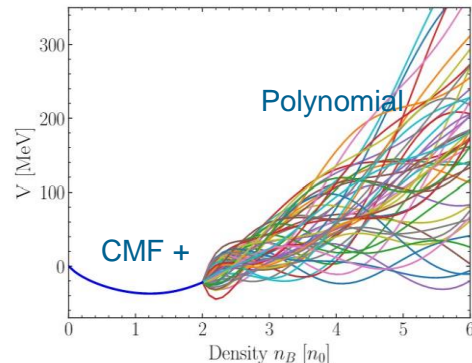
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# Bayesian Reconstruction for dense matter EoS from HICs

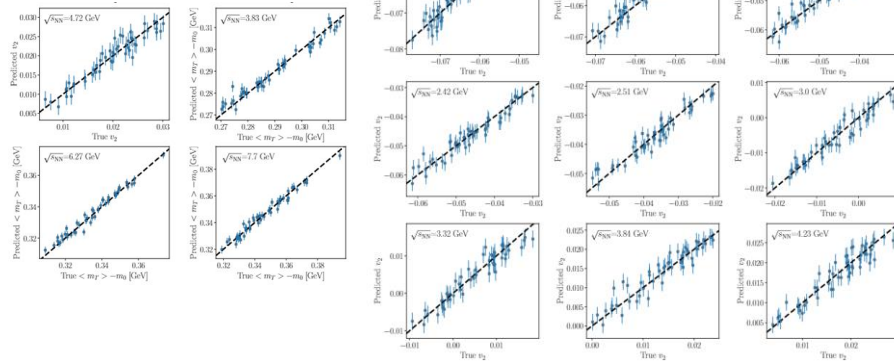
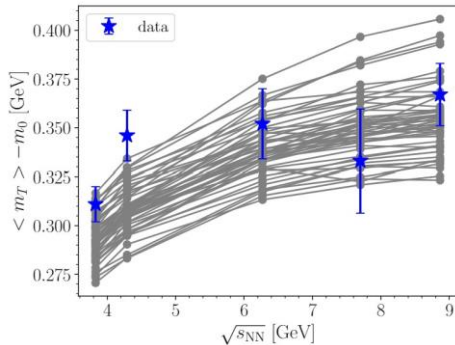
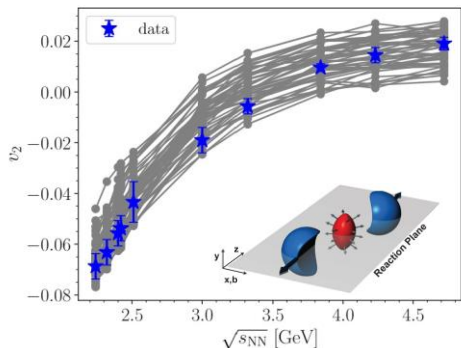
- Hadronic cascade dominant
- **UrQMD model** adapted to any density dependent EoS →  
via density dependent potential  
*Eur.Phys.J.C82(2022)5,417*

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\mathbf{r}}_i &= \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \mathbf{p}_i}, & \dot{\mathbf{p}}_i &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_i} \\ \dot{\mathbf{p}}_i &= -\frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_i} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{V}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_i} \\ &= -\left( \frac{\partial V_i}{\partial n_i} \cdot \frac{\partial n_i}{\partial \mathbf{r}_i} \right) - \left( \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\partial V_j}{\partial n_j} \cdot \frac{\partial n_j}{\partial \mathbf{r}_i} \right) \end{aligned}$$



**Evidence : proton's v2**

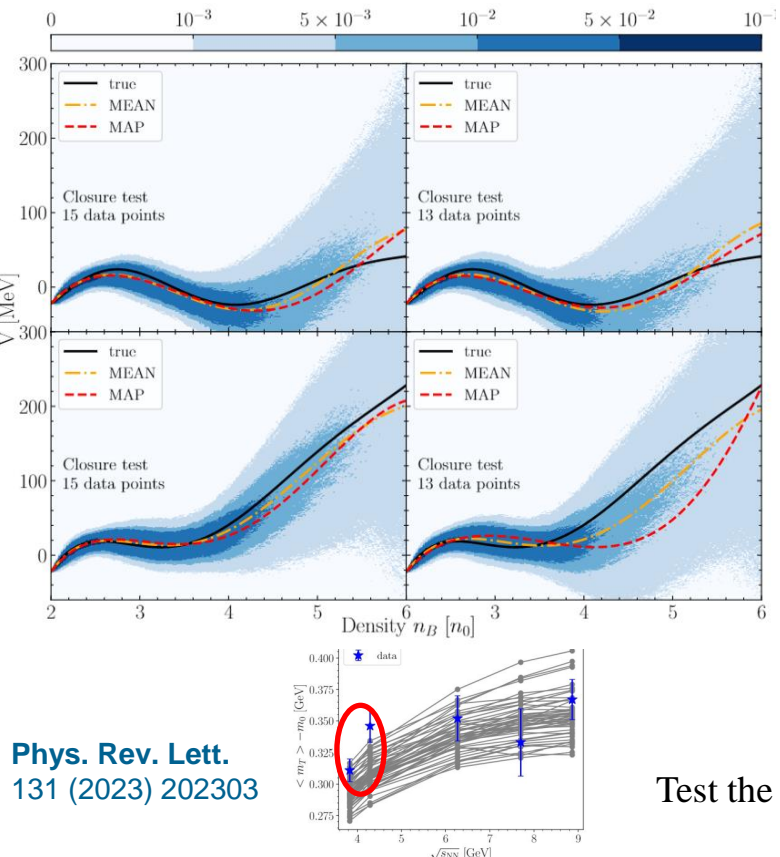
and transverse kinetic energy



- Gaussian Process **Emulator** :  $Obs_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \sim GP(\mu(\boldsymbol{\theta}), \kappa(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\theta}'))$
- The trained emulator predict observables well:  $R^2 \sim 0.9$

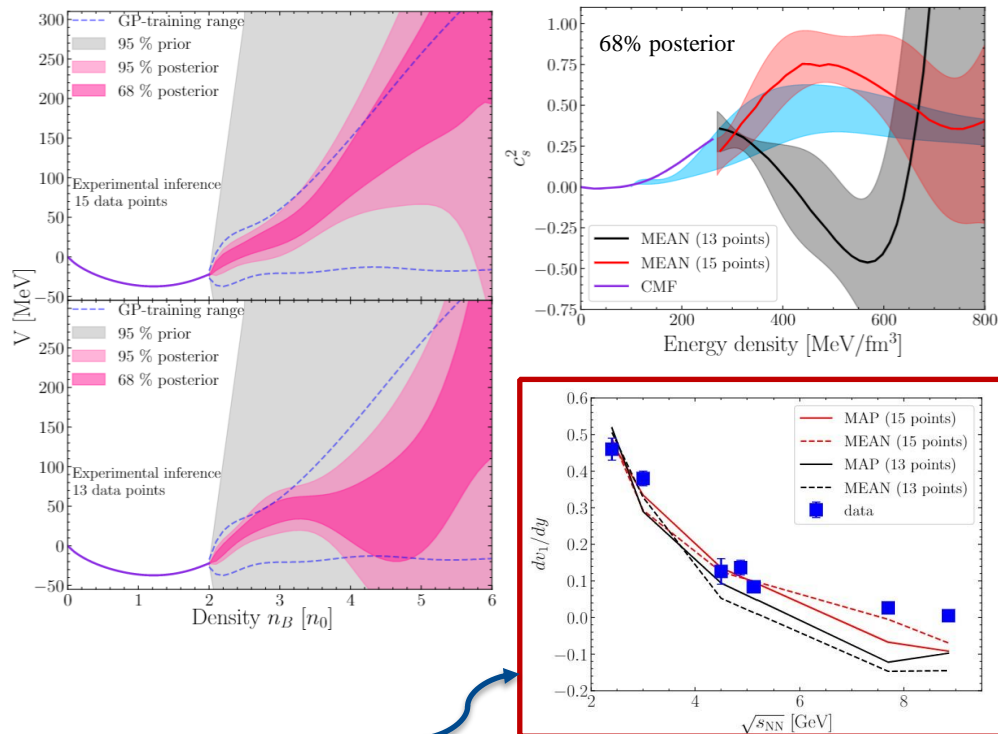
# Bayesian Reconstruction of dense matter EoS from HICs

## ● Posterior $\sim$ Likelihood $\times$ Prior



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## ● With real experimental data



Test the extracted EoS on different observables (not used in Bayesian analysis)

# HQ Potential Model, Inverse Schroedinger Eq.

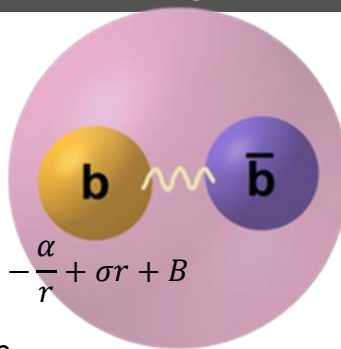
Large mass scale :  $m_Q \gg \Lambda_{QCD}, T, p$

- Hard Process production in early stage
- 'Calibrated' QCD Force – HQ interaction

Vacuum: NRQCD, Cornell-like  $V(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r} + \sigma r + B$

Medium: Color Screening, Thermal width

*Laine, et.al, JHEP(21)*

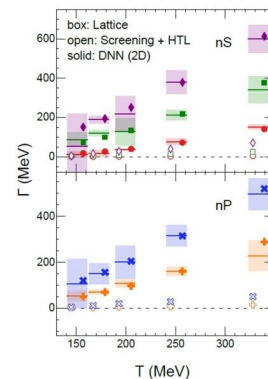
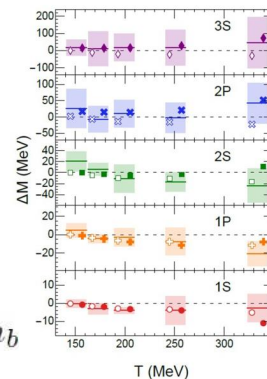
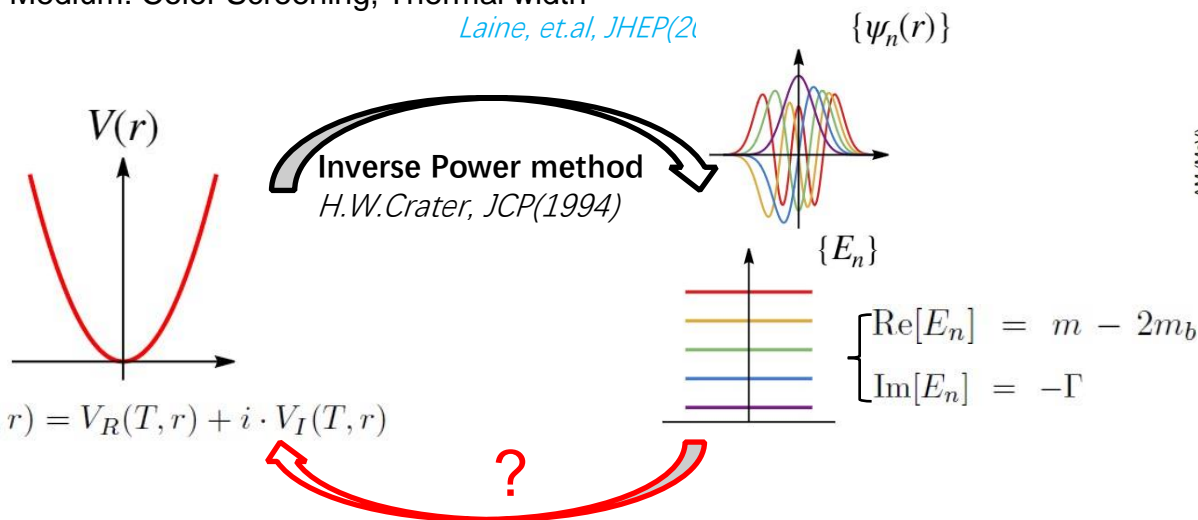


Large mass scale :

$$\hat{H}\psi_n = -\frac{\nabla^2}{2m_\mu}\psi_n + V(r)\psi_n = E_n\psi_n$$

*M. Strickland, et.at, PRC(2015) PRD(2018), PLB(2020)*

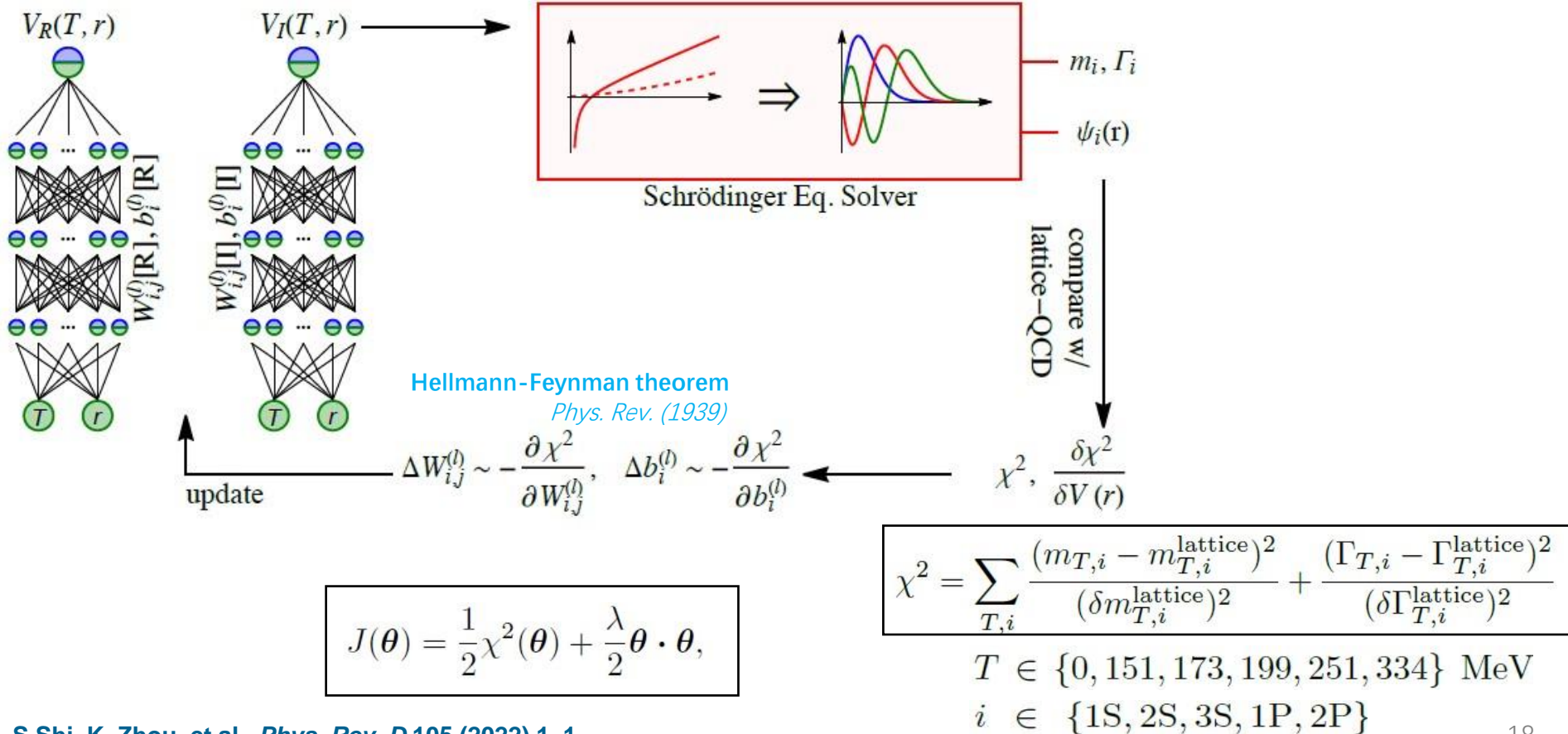
**New IQCD results cannot be explained by Perturbative HTL-inspired potentials !**



*R. Larsen, et.al, PRD(2019), PLB(2020), PRD(2020)*

How to extract **effective potential** given **limited spectroscopy** ?

# Flow chart for “DNN + Schrödinger Eq.”

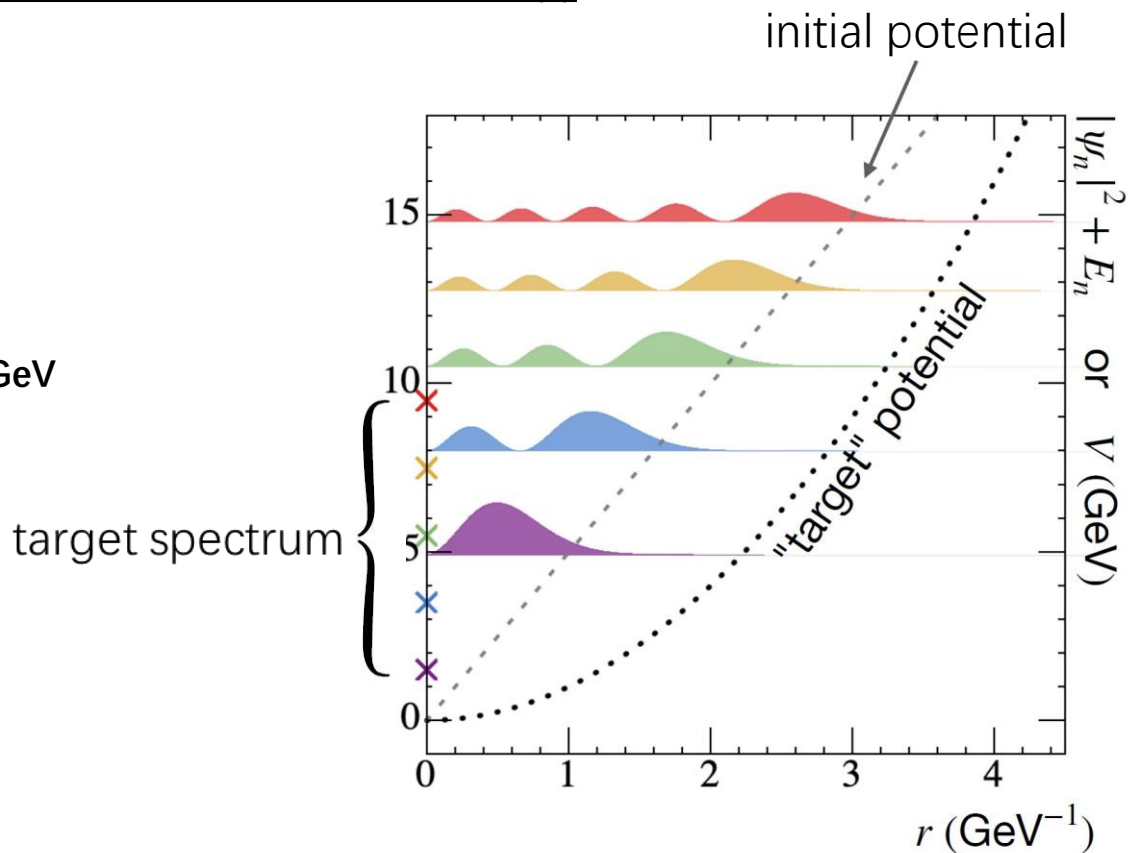


# Proof of Concept

limited spectrum  $\{ E_n \}$  to continuous interaction  $V(r)$  ?

Learn  $V(r)$  from 5 eigenvalues :

$\{ E_n \} = \{ 3/2, 7/2, 11/2, 15/12, 19/2 \}$  GeV



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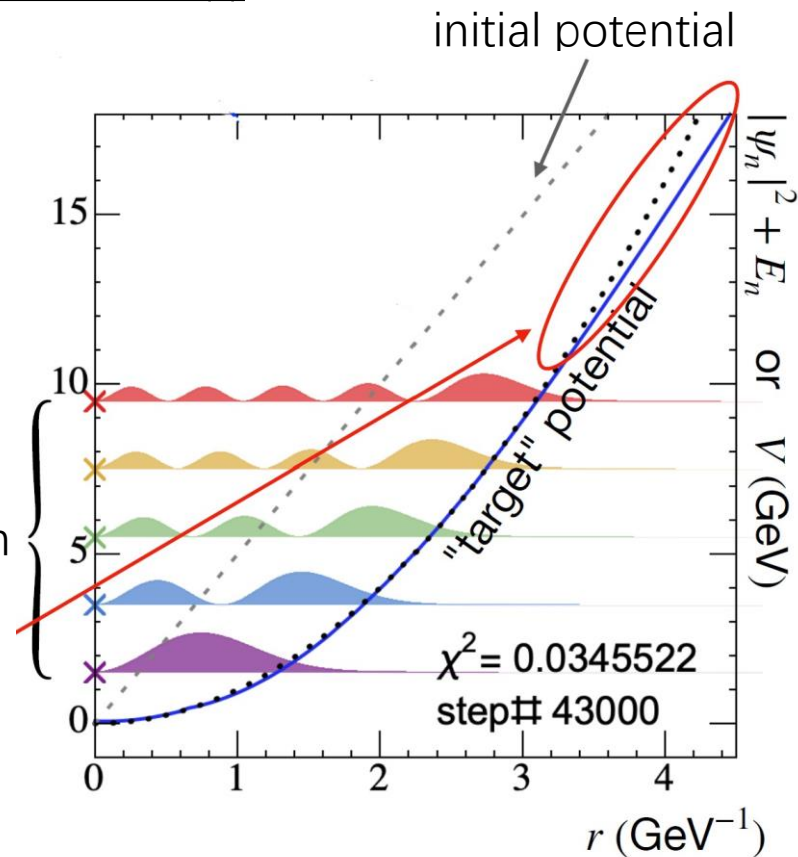
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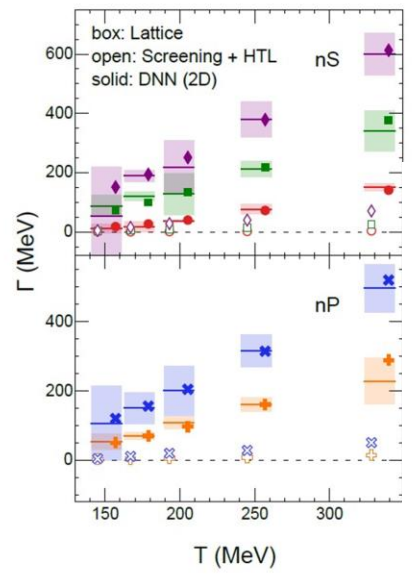
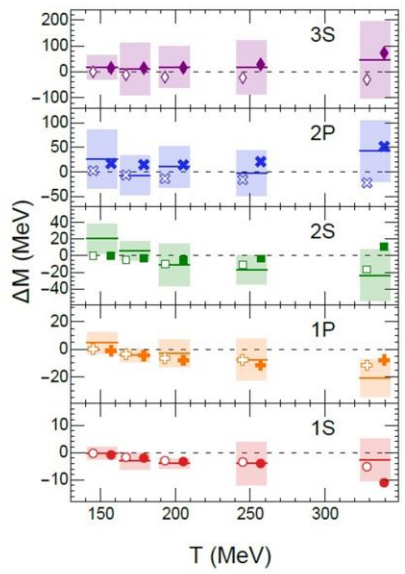
target spectrum

Deviation @ given states' wavefunction vanishes

$$\delta E_n = \langle \psi_n | \delta V(r) | \psi_n \rangle$$

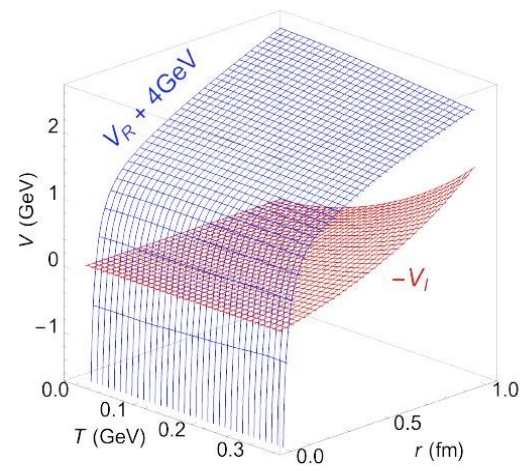
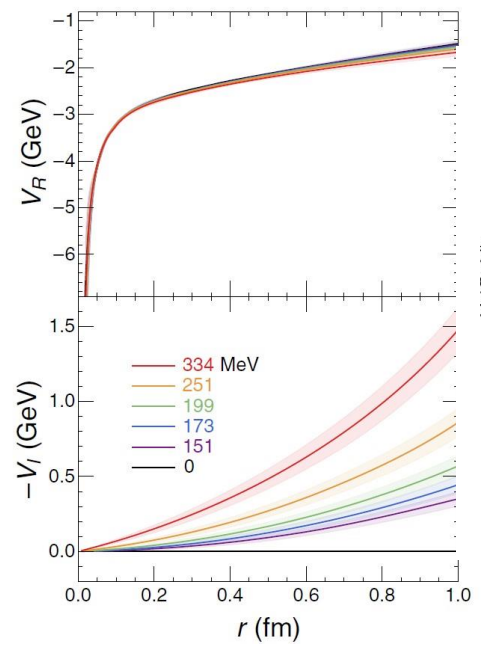


# Results with lattice data for mass/width and the reconstructed HQ Potential

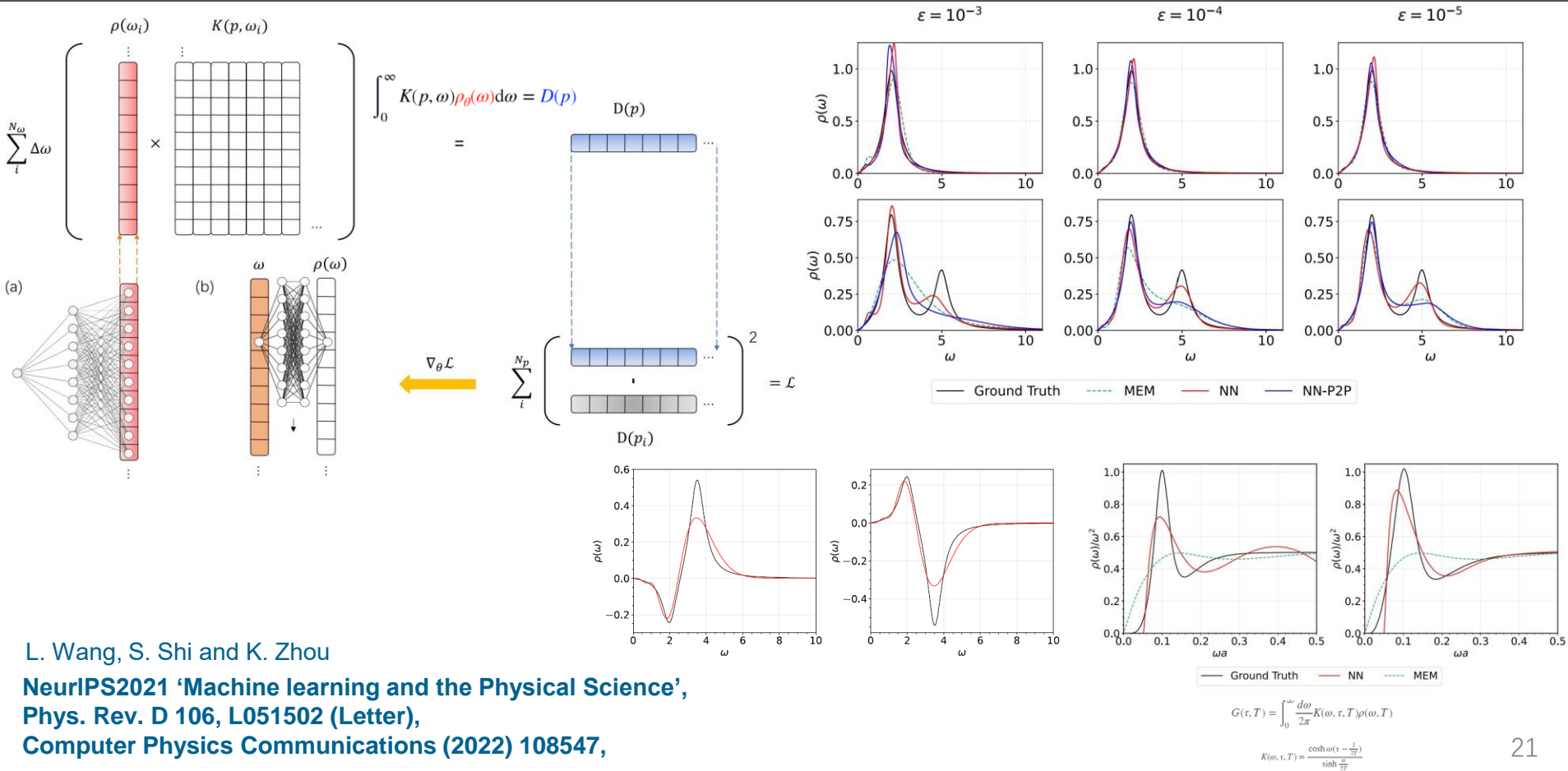


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## The reconstructed $T, r$ dependent potential



# Spectral function reconstruction from Euclidean correlator



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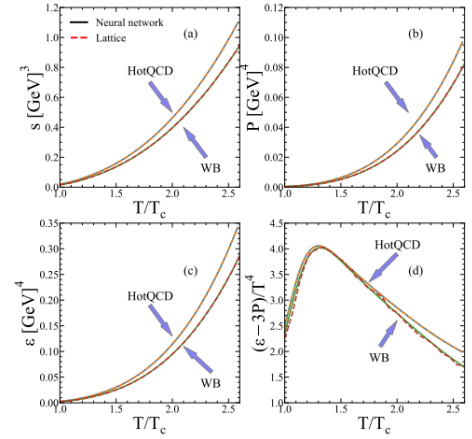
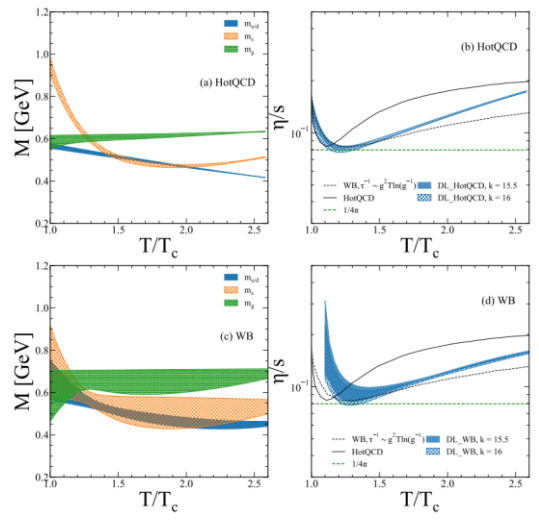
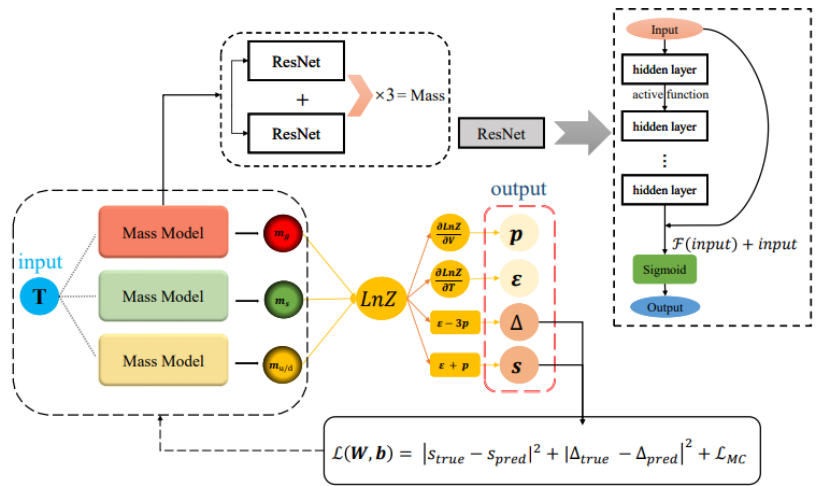
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# Quasi-particle analysis of IQCD thermodynamics

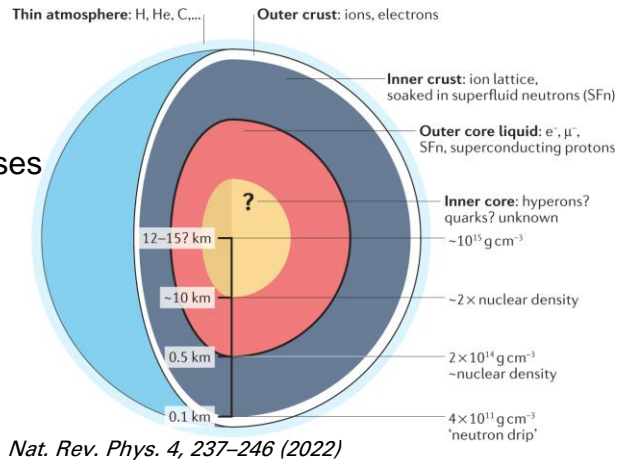


$$\ln Z_g(T) = -\frac{16V}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty p^2 dp \ln \left[ 1 - \exp \left( -\frac{1}{T} \sqrt{p^2 + m_g^2(T)} \right) \right], \quad (2)$$

$$\ln Z_{q_i}(T) = +\frac{12V}{2\pi^2} \int_0^\infty p^2 dp \ln \left[ 1 + \exp \left( -\frac{1}{T} \sqrt{p^2 + m_{q_i}^2(T)} \right) \right], \quad (3)$$

# From EoS to NS Stellar Structure (MR)

- Mass ~ 2 solar masses
- Radii ~ 10 km
- Densities 5-8  $\rho_0$



- Gravity  $\leftarrow \rightarrow$  Pressure

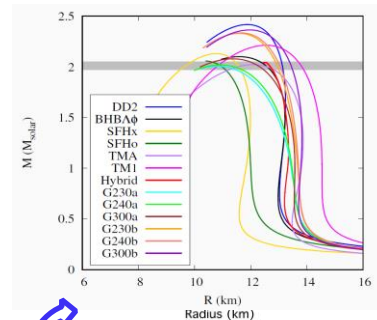
$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\frac{G}{r^2} \left( \rho + \frac{P}{c^2} \right) \left( m + 4\pi r^3 \frac{P}{c^2} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{2Gm}{c^2 r} \right)^{-1}$$

$$M = m(R) = \int_0^R 4\pi r^2 \rho dr$$

- Dense matter Equation of State

$P(\rho) \leftarrow \rightarrow$

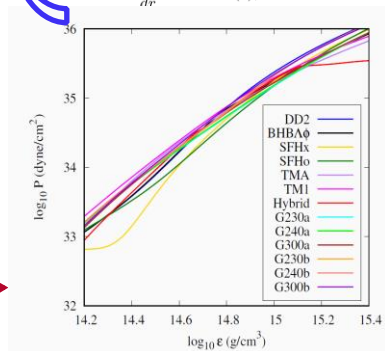
- Noisy/Limited NS Observables to EoS?



TOV equations

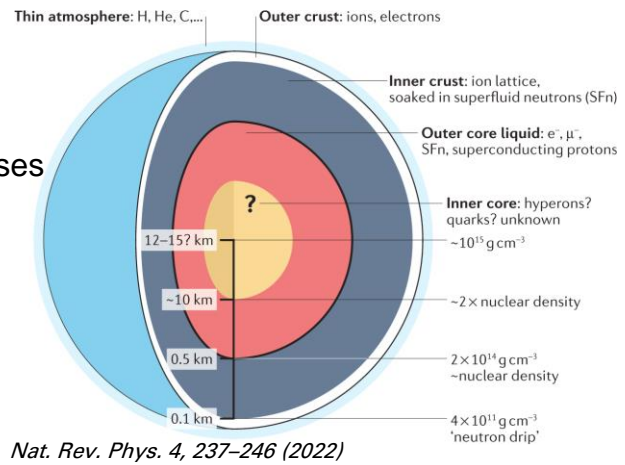
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$$\frac{dM(r)}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \epsilon(r),$$



# From EoS to NS Stellar Structure (MR) --Inverse ?

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- Gravity  $\leftrightarrow$  Pressure

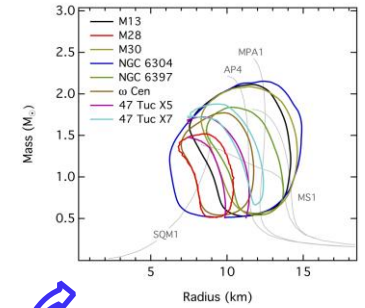
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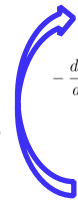
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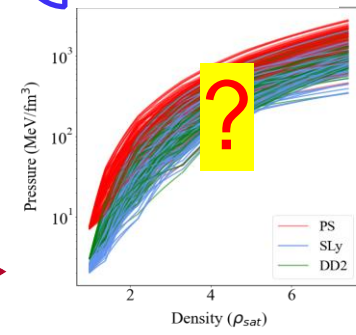


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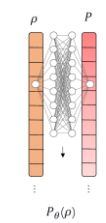
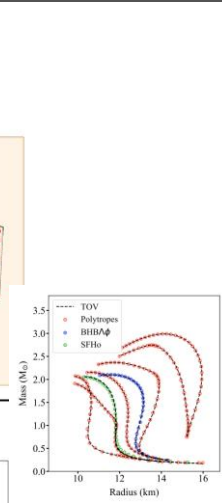
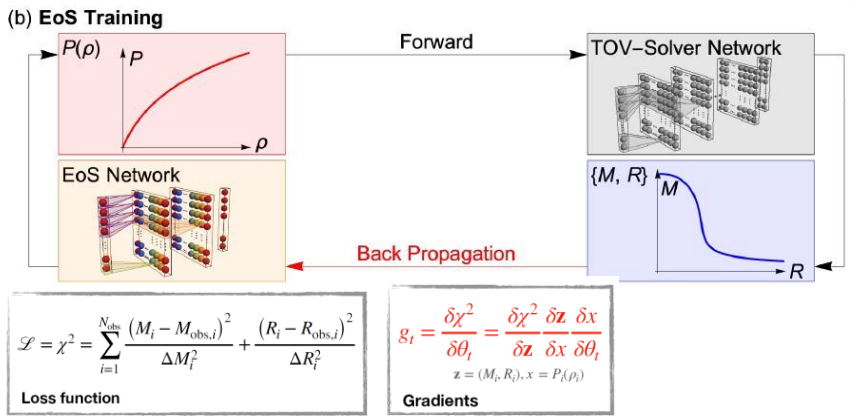
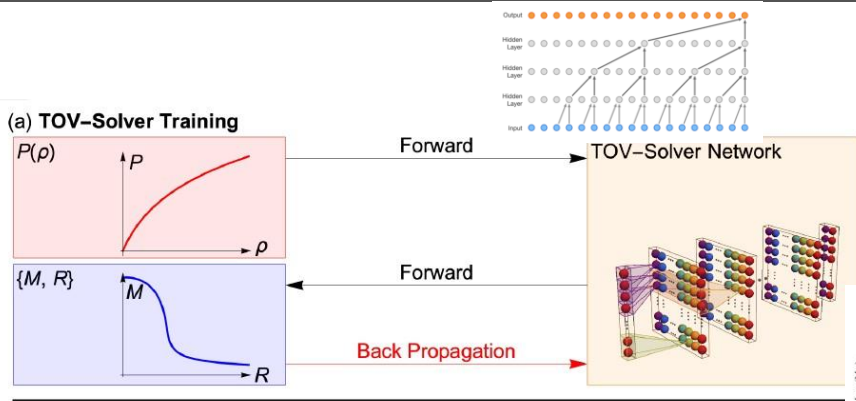


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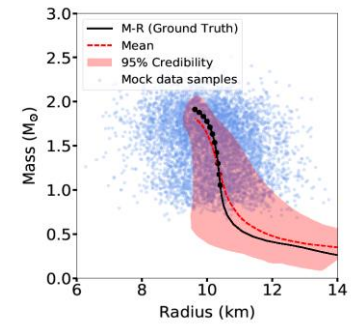
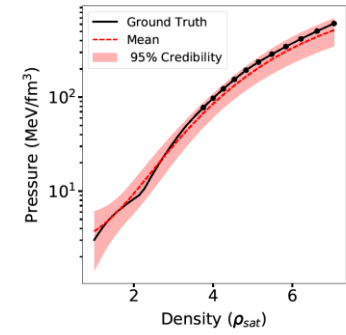
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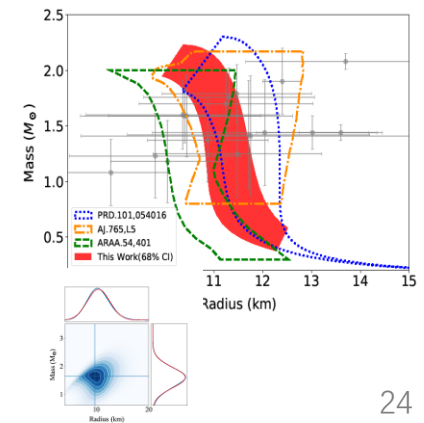
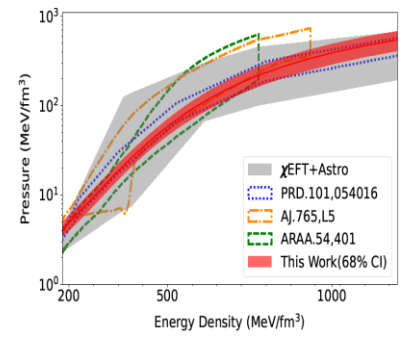
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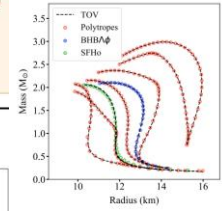
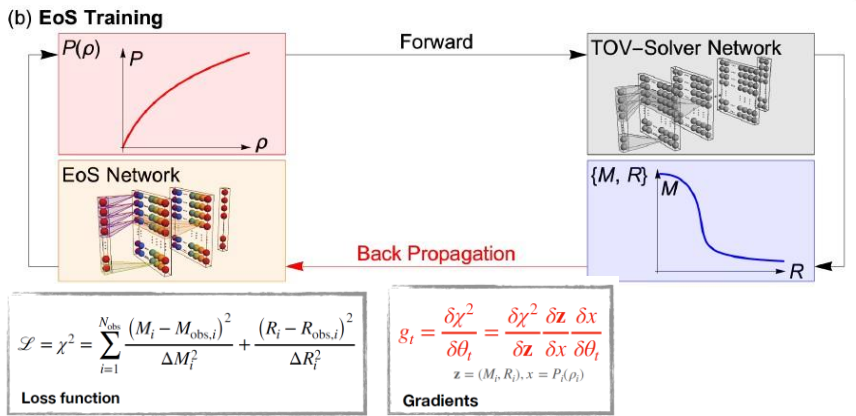
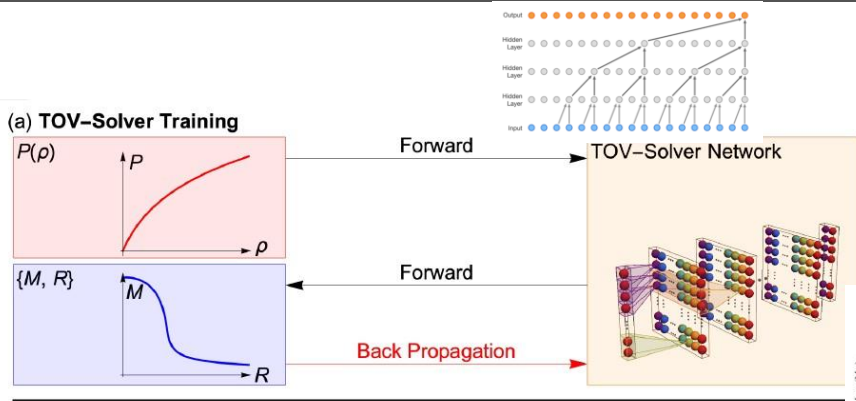
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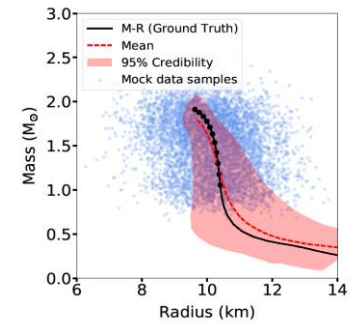
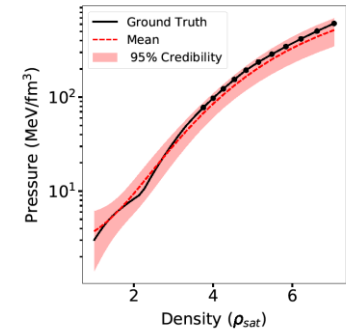
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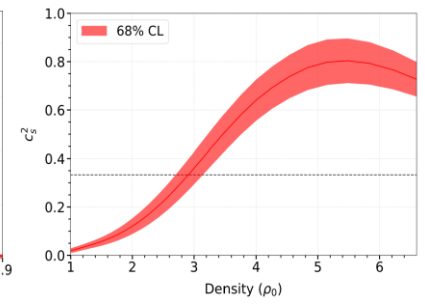
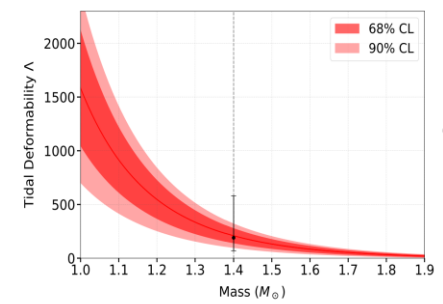
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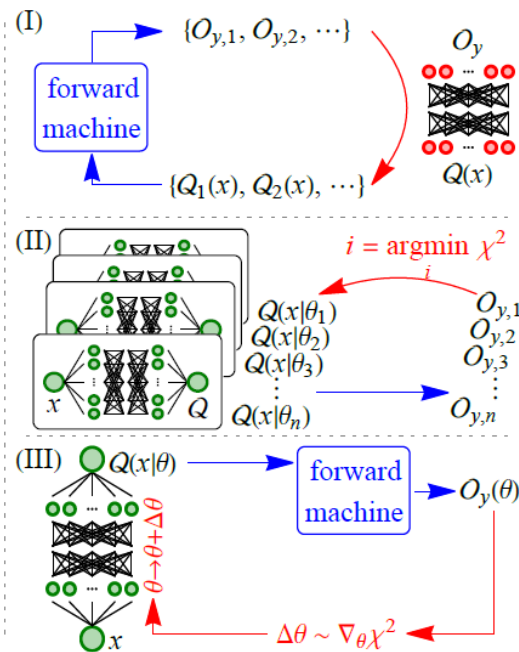
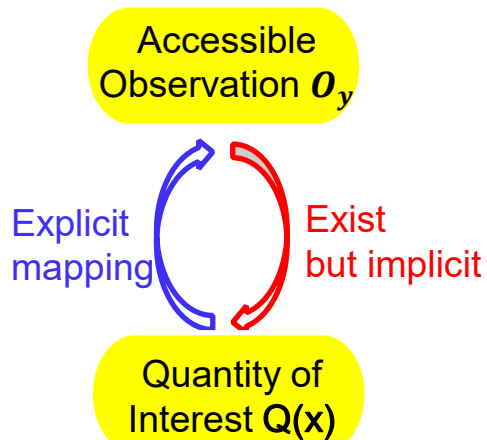
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# Summary : Inverse Problems Solving with ML



- **Direct inverse mapping capturing :** with Supervised Learning
- **Statistical approach to  $\chi^2$  fitting :** Bayesian Reconstruction for posterior or Heuristic (Generic) Algorithm to min.
- **Automatic Differentiation :** fuse physical prior into reconstruction via differentiable programming strategy

$$\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\theta} \chi^2 = \sum_y \frac{\mathcal{F}_y[Q_{NN}(x|\theta)] - O_y}{(\Delta O_y)^2} \int dx \frac{\delta \mathcal{F}_y[Q(x)]}{\delta Q(x)} \Big|_{Q(x)=Q_{NN}(x|\theta)} \nabla_{\theta} Q_{NN}(x|\theta)$$

- **Deep Learning** can help bridging HIC experiment with theory/model for physics exploration    *caveat: model dependency*
  - **Bayesian Inference** for EoS from different beam energy experiment data (v2 and mT) perform well - consistent with  $dv_1/dy$  measurements and BNSM constraint  
*sensitivity check reveals tension: measurement uncertainty or model limitation*
  - **Auto-diff** can help physics extraction for lattice measurements
  - **Flexible DNN represented** EoS of Neutron Star can be inferred from astro-obs. (M-R) via **auto-diff based inference** with uncertainty well estimated
- Combined global fit of EoS from HIC and NS obs. ? (*need to take care of isospin dependence*)

# Thanks!

# Summary: Machine Learning and HENP



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REVIEW ARTICLE



## High-energy nuclear physics meets machine learning

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### Abstract

Although seemingly disparate, high-energy nuclear physics (HENP) and machine learning (ML) have begun to merge in the last few years, yielding interesting results. It is worthy to raise the profile of utilizing this novel mindset from ML in HENP, to help interested readers see the breadth of activities around this intersection. The aim of this mini-review is to inform the community of the current status and present an overview of the application of ML to HENP. From different aspects and using examples, we examine how scientific questions involving HENP can be answered using ML.

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### Review

## Exploring QCD matter in extreme conditions with Machine Learning

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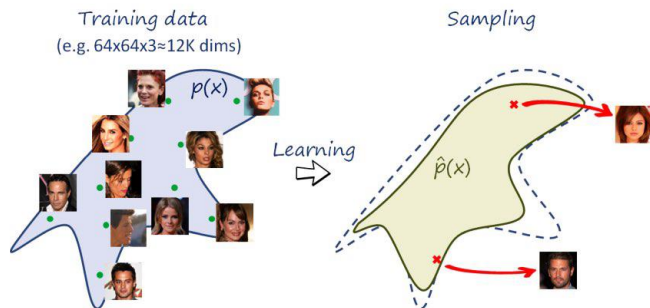
### ABSTRACT

In recent years, machine learning has emerged as a powerful computational tool and novel problem-solving perspective for physics, offering new avenues for studying strongly interacting QCD matter properties under extreme conditions. This review article aims to provide an overview of the current state of this intersection of fields, focusing on the application of machine learning to theoretical studies in high energy nuclear physics. It covers diverse aspects, including heavy ion collisions, lattice field theory, and neutron stars, and discuss how machine learning can be used to explore and facilitate the physics goals of understanding QCD matter. The review also provides a commonality overview from a methodology perspective, from data-driven perspective to physics-driven perspective. We conclude by discussing the challenges and future prospects of machine learning applications in high energy nuclear physics, also underscoring the importance of incorporating physics priors into the purely data-driven learning toolbox. This review highlights the critical role of machine learning as a valuable computational paradigm for advancing physics exploration in high energy nuclear physics.

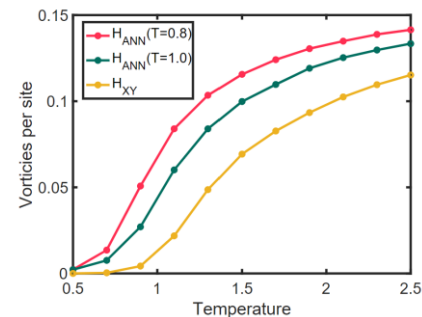
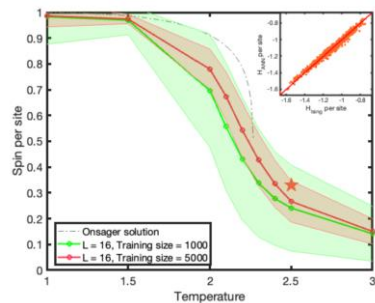
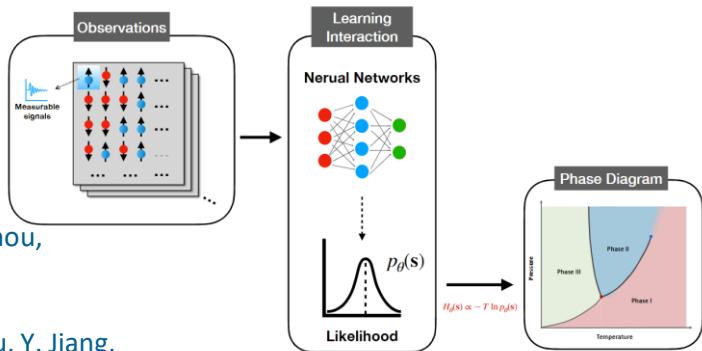
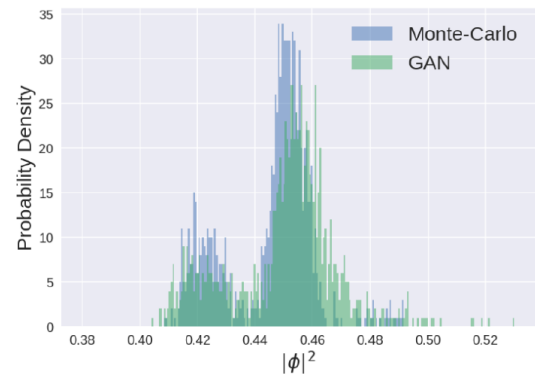
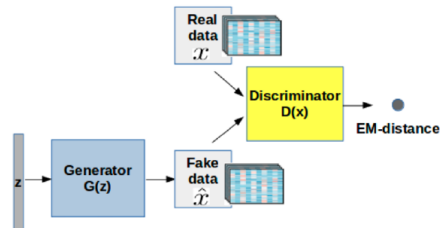
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# Generative AI: Given an ensemble of data from the target distribution



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# Suppose knowing unnormalized probability distribution

- Reverse KL divergence

$$D_{\text{KL}}(q_{\theta} \parallel p) = \sum_{\mathbf{s}} q_{\theta}(\mathbf{s}) \ln \left( \frac{q_{\theta}(\mathbf{s})}{p(\mathbf{s})} \right) = \beta(F_q - F)$$

$$F_q = \frac{1}{\beta} \sum_{\mathbf{s}} q_{\theta}(\mathbf{s}) [\beta E(\mathbf{s}) + \ln q_{\theta}(\mathbf{s})]$$

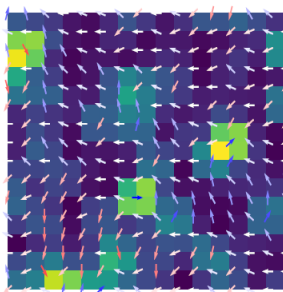
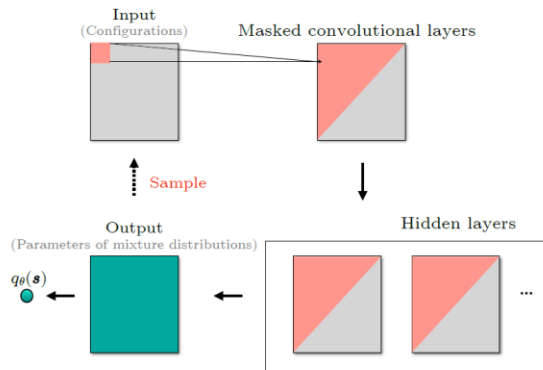
$$p(\mathbf{s}) = \frac{e^{-\beta E(\mathbf{s})}}{Z}$$

- Autoregressive  $q_{\theta}(\mathbf{s}) = \prod_{i=1}^N q_{\theta}(s_i \mid s_1, \dots, s_{i-1})$

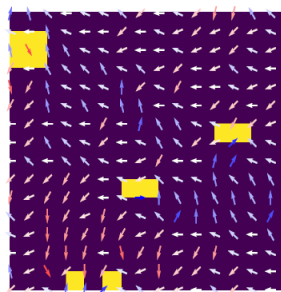
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- Continuous Autoregressive for XY model

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Probability distributions from CANs

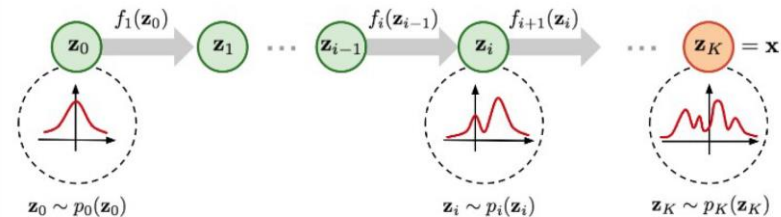


Vortices

# Flow based generative model given unnormalized distribution

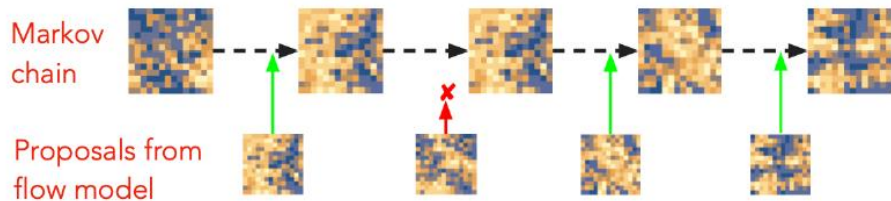
A series (**Flow**) of invertible/bijective transformations for  $p(\mathbf{z})$

compose several invertible transformations to form the flow :



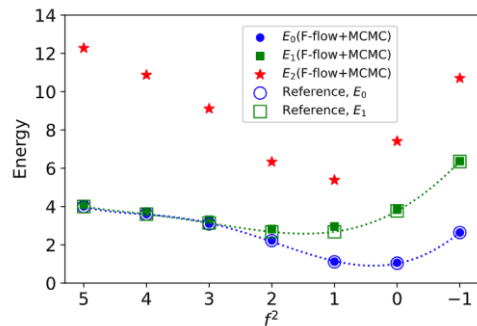
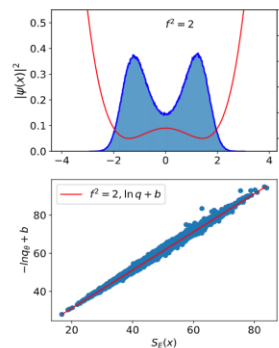
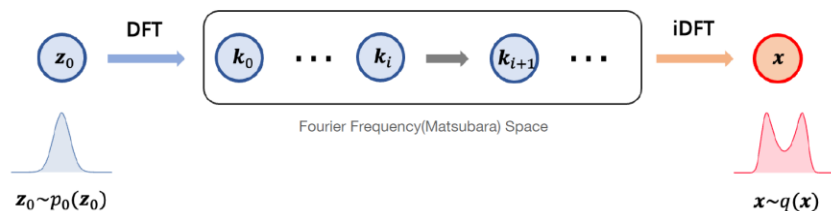
$$p_i(\mathbf{z}_i) = p_{i-1}(f_i^{-1}(\mathbf{z}_i)) |\det J_{f_i^{-1}}| = p_{i-1}(\mathbf{z}_{i-1}) |\det J_{f_i}|^{-1}$$

$$\rightarrow \log p(\mathbf{x}) = \log p_0(f^{-1}(\mathbf{x})) + \sum_{i=1}^K \log |\det J_{f_i^{-1}}| = \log p_0(\mathbf{z}_0) - \sum_{i=1}^K \log |\det J_{f_i}|$$

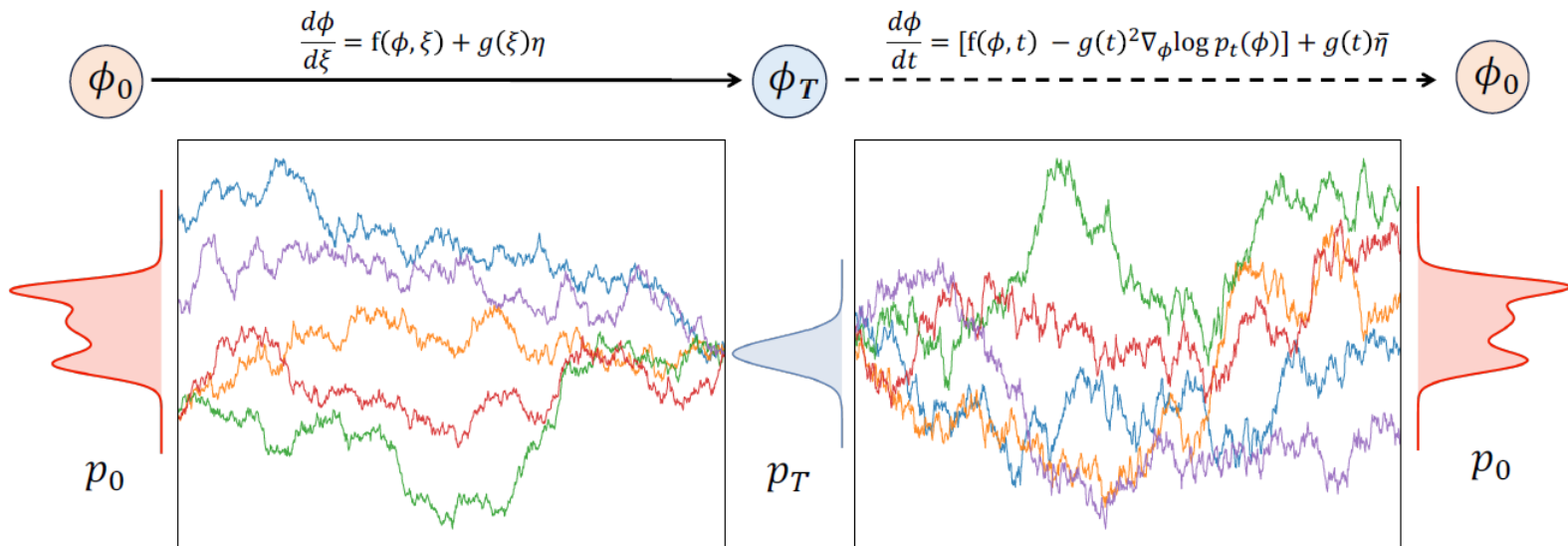


## Fourier Flow Model

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# Diffusion Model on lattice QFT configurations



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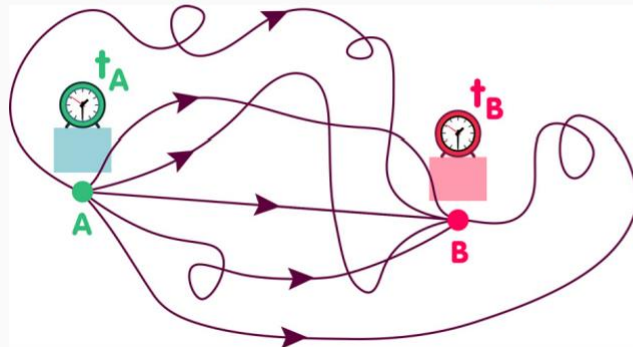
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- Stochastic vibration

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi(x,t)}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 \phi(x,t)}{\partial x^2}$$

In Feynman's formulation of quantum mechanics in Euclidean space:



$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}x e^{-S_E[x]/\hbar}$$

$$\langle 0 | \hat{x}^N | 0 \rangle = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \int \mathcal{D}x x^N e^{-S_E[x]/\hbar}$$

One can construct stochastic process to reproduce the quantum path  
Integral with its equilibrium:

$$e^{-S_E[x]/\hbar} \rightarrow \frac{\partial x}{\partial \tau} = -\frac{\delta S_E[x]}{\delta x} + \eta \begin{cases} \langle \eta(t, \tau) \rangle_\eta = 0 \\ \langle \eta(t, \tau) \eta(t', \tau') \rangle_\eta = 2\hbar \delta(t - t') \delta(\tau - \tau') \end{cases}$$

- **Stochastic quantization**  $Z = \int D\phi e^{-S_E}$        $p(\phi) = \frac{e^{-S_E(\phi)}}{Z}$

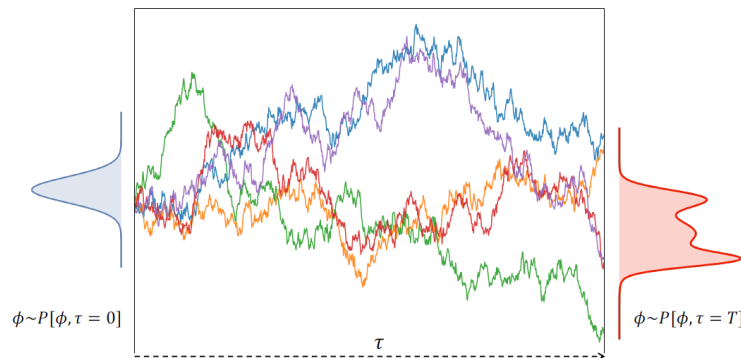
$$\frac{\partial \phi(x, \tau)}{\partial \tau} = -\frac{\delta S_E[\phi]}{\delta \phi(x, \tau)} + \eta(x, \tau) \quad \langle \eta(x, \tau) \rangle = 0, \quad \langle \eta(x, \tau) \eta(x', \tau') \rangle = 2\alpha \delta(x - x') \delta(\tau - \tau')$$

- **Fokker-Planck equation**  $\frac{\partial P[\phi, \tau]}{\partial \tau} = \int d^n x \left\{ \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi} \left( \alpha \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi} + \frac{\delta S_E}{\delta \phi} \right) \right\} P[\phi, \tau]$

**long time equilibrium limit**  $\rightarrow P_{\text{eq}}[\phi] \propto e^{-\frac{1}{\alpha} S_E[\phi]}$

- **Observables**  $\langle \mathcal{O}[\phi] \rangle_\tau = \int D\phi \mathcal{O}[\phi] P[\phi, \tau]$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}[\phi] \rangle_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} = \frac{\int D\phi \mathcal{O}(\phi) e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} S_E(\phi)}}{\int D\phi e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} S_E(\phi)}} = \langle \mathcal{O}[\phi] \rangle_{\text{quantum}}$$



# Diffusion Model for field configurations

- Forward diffusion SDE

$$\frac{d\phi}{d\xi} = f(\phi, \xi) + g(\xi)\eta(\xi) \quad \langle \eta(\xi)\eta(\xi') \rangle = 2\alpha\delta(\xi - \xi')$$

- Backward diffusion SDE

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = [f(\phi, t) - g^2(t)\nabla_{\phi} \log p_t(\phi)] + g(t)\bar{\eta}(t) \quad t \equiv T - \xi$$

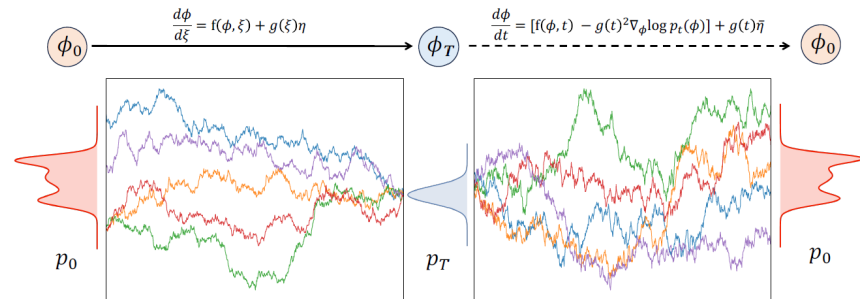
- Score matching Training

$$\mathcal{L}_{\theta} = \sum_{i=1}^N \sigma_i^2 \mathbb{E}_{p_0(\phi_0)} \mathbb{E}_{p_i(\phi_i|\phi_0)} \left[ \|s_{\theta}(\phi_i, \xi) - \nabla_{\phi_i} \log p_i(\phi_i|\phi_0)\|_2^2 \right]$$

$$p_{\xi}(\phi_{\xi}|\phi_0) = \mathcal{N}\left(\phi_{\xi}; \phi_0, \frac{1}{2 \log \sigma} (\sigma^{2\xi} - 1) \mathbf{I}\right)$$

- Sample generation SDE

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = [f(\phi, t) - g^2(t)s_{\hat{\theta}}(\phi, t)] + g(t)\bar{\eta}(t).$$



- Backward diffusion SDE in **variance expanding** scheme (i.e., vanishing drift in Forward)

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt} = -g(t)^2 \nabla_{\phi} \log p_t(\phi) + g(t) \bar{\eta}(t)$$

- Redefine time  $\tau \equiv T - t$  and denoting  $g_{\tau} = g(T - \tau)$ ,  $q_{\tau}(\phi) = p_{T-\tau}(\phi)$

$$\frac{d\phi}{d\tau} = g_{\tau}^2 \nabla_{\phi} \log q_{\tau}(\phi) + g_{\tau} \bar{\eta}(\tau) \quad \phi(\tau_{n+1}) = \phi(\tau_n) + g_{\tau_n}^2 \nabla_{\phi} \log q_{\tau_n}[\phi(\tau_n)] \Delta\tau + g_{\tau_n} \sqrt{\Delta\tau} \bar{\eta}(\tau_n)$$

- The corresponding Fokker-Planck equation and equilibrium

$$\frac{\partial p_{\tau}(\phi)}{\partial \tau} = \int d^n x \left\{ g_{\tau}^2 \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi} \left( \bar{\alpha} \frac{\delta}{\delta \phi} + \nabla_{\phi} S_{\text{DM}} \right) \right\} p_{\tau}(\phi), \quad \nabla_{\phi} S_{\text{DM}} \equiv -\nabla_{\phi} \log q_{\tau}(\phi) \quad p_{\text{eq}}(\phi) \propto e^{-S_{\text{DM}}/\bar{\alpha}}$$

- A flow of **effective action** will be learned in DMs

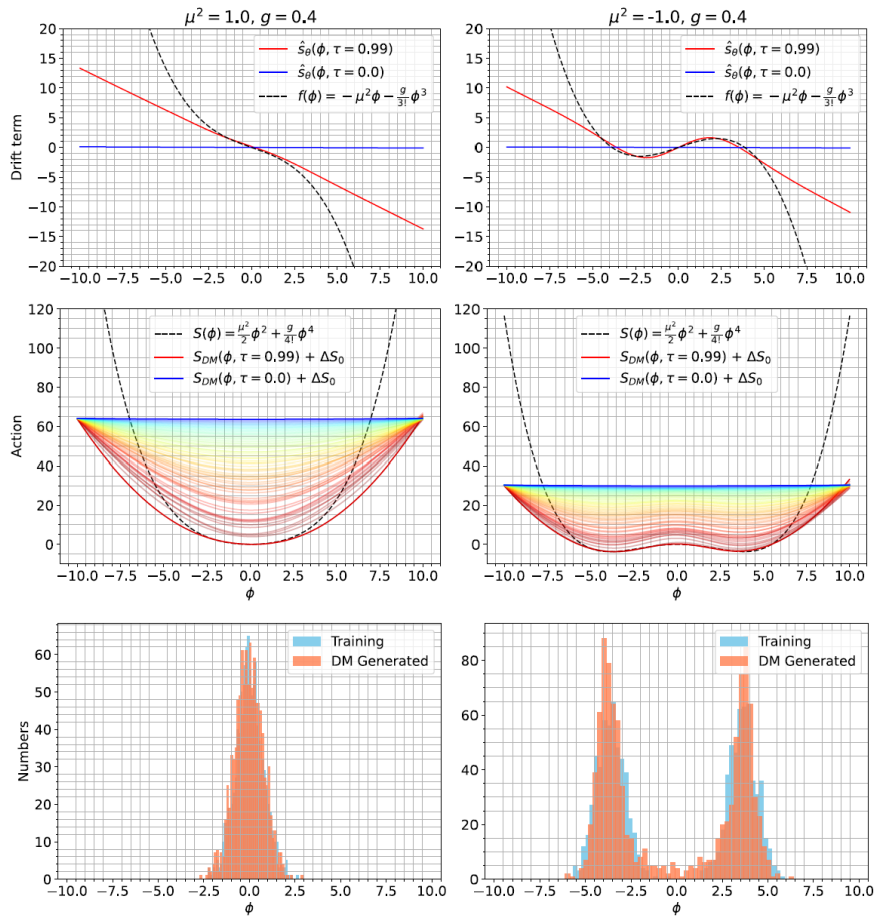
$$p_{\tau=T}(\phi) \rightarrow P[\phi, T]$$

$$O(\bar{\alpha}) \sim O(\hbar)$$

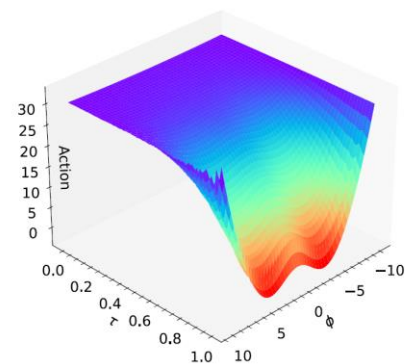
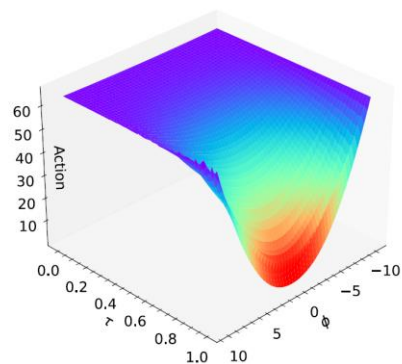
sampling from a DM is equivalent to optimizing a stochastic trajectory to approach the “equilibrium state”



# Effective Action on toy model



- Flow of an effective action



- Consider a real scalar field with action:

$$S = \int d^d x dt \mathcal{L} = \int d^d x dt \left( \frac{1}{2} (\partial^2 \phi_0^2 - m^2 \phi_0^2) - \frac{\lambda_0}{4!} \phi_0^4 \right),$$

- In Euclidean space, the discretized action with dimension less form:

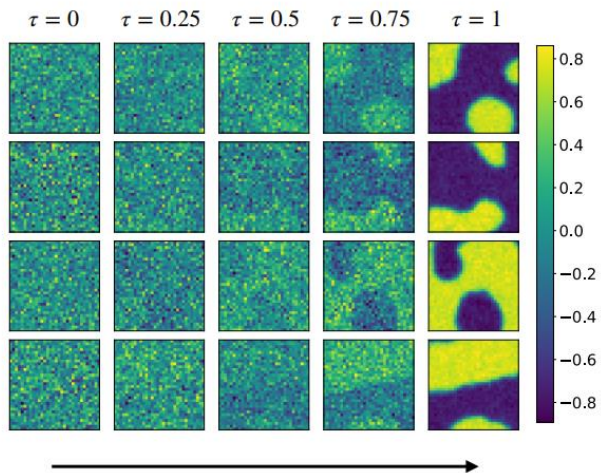
$$S_E = \sum_x \left[ -2\kappa \sum_{\mu=1}^d \phi(x) \phi(x + \hat{\mu}) + (1 - 2\lambda) \phi(x)^2 + \lambda \phi(x)^4 \right].$$

$$a^{\frac{d-2}{2}} \phi_0 = (2\kappa)^{1/2} \phi, (am_0)^2 = \frac{1 - 2\lambda}{\kappa} - 2d, a^{-d+4} \lambda_0 = \frac{6\lambda}{\kappa^2},$$

- Broken phase and symmetric phase

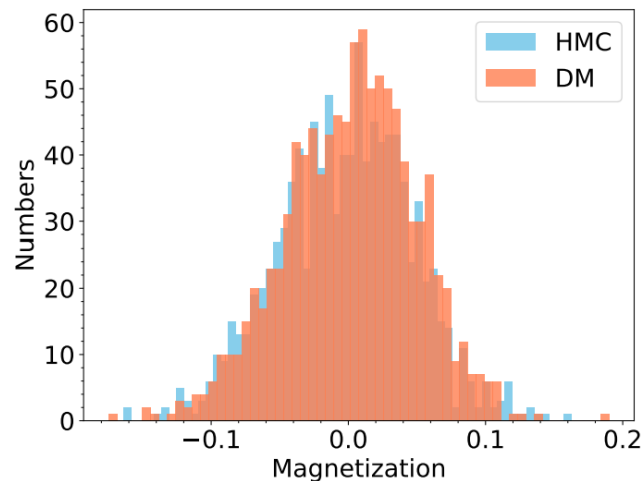
$$\kappa_c(\lambda) = \frac{1 - 2\lambda}{2d}.$$

- 2d 32x32 lattice size, HMC generated 5120 configurations for training
- Broken phase :



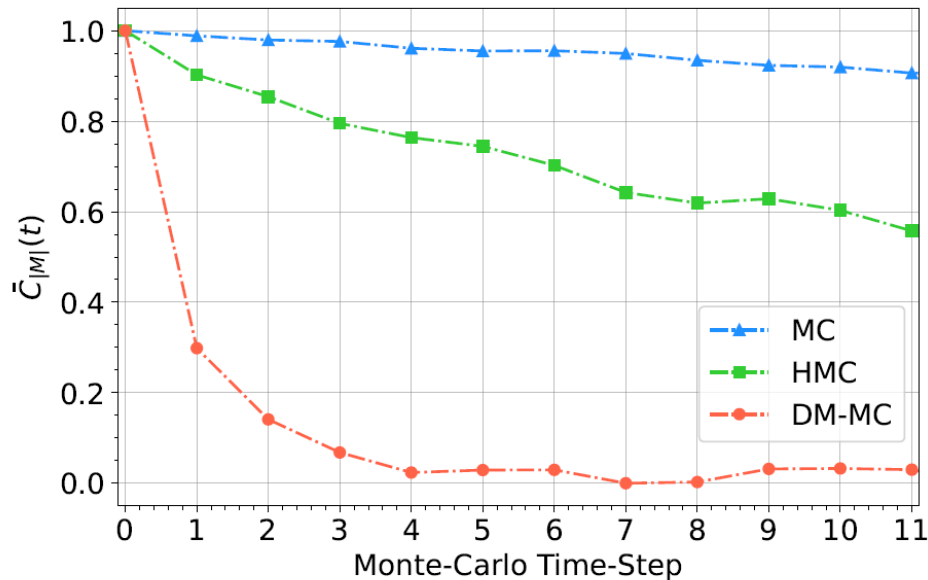
numerous “bulk” patterns emerge

symmetric phase :

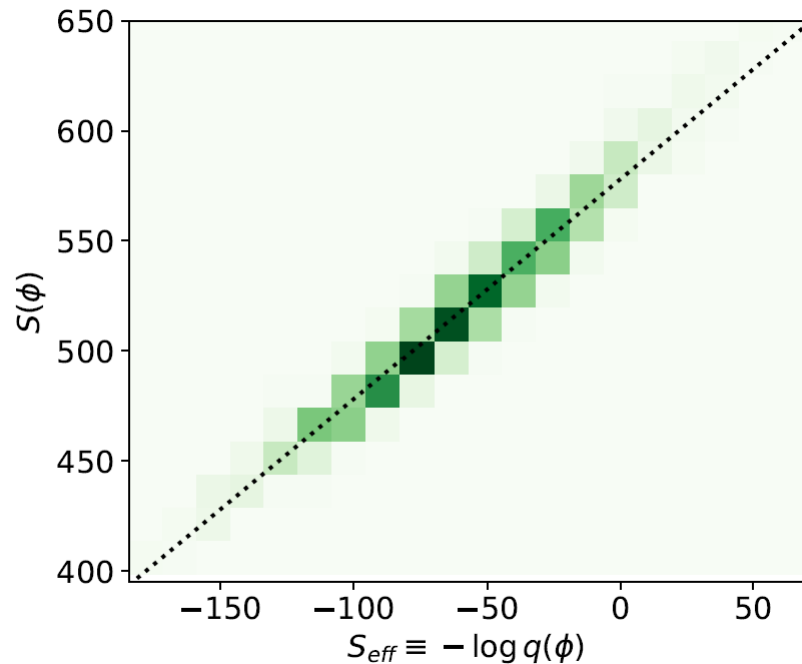


data-set	$\langle M \rangle$	$\chi_2$	$U_L$
Training (HMC)	$0.0012 \pm 0.0007$	$2.5160 \pm 0.0457$	$0.1042 \pm 0.0367$
Testing (HMC)	$0.0018 \pm 0.0015$	$2.4463 \pm 0.1099$	$-0.0198 \pm 0.1035$
Generated (DM)	$0.0017 \pm 0.0015$	$2.4227 \pm 0.1035$	$0.0484 \pm 0.0959$

# Results: Autocorrelation time and final captured eff action



validation R2 ~0.96



- Forward diffusion kernel: **gaussian smoothing**

$$p_{\xi}(\phi_{\xi}|\phi_0) = \mathcal{N}\left(\phi_{\xi}; \phi_0, \frac{1}{2 \log \sigma}(\sigma^{2\xi} - 1)\mathbf{I}\right)$$

$$\phi_{\tau}(\mathbf{x}) = \phi_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^{2\tau} - 1}{2 \log \sigma}} \epsilon(\mathbf{x}) \text{ with } \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

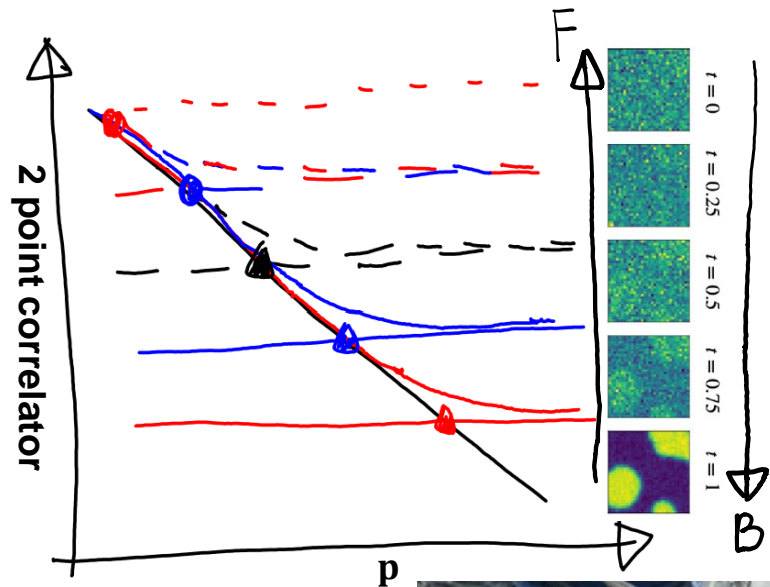
- In Fourier space:

$$\phi_{\tau}(p) = \phi_0(p) + \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^{2\tau} - 1}{2 \log \sigma}} \epsilon(p).$$

- ! the above evolution will perturb (smear) higher momentum modes faster because of the gradually increasing noise level



In **FRG**, the high frequency (short-distance) degrees of freedom is progressively integrated out!  
See Semon's and Mathis's talk!



# Closure Test – HTL potential case

$$V_R(T, r) = \frac{\sigma}{\mu_D} \left( 2 - (2 + \mu_D r) e^{-\mu_D r} \right)$$

$$- \alpha \left( \mu_D + \frac{e^{-\mu_D r}}{r} \right) + B,$$

$$V_I(T, r) = - \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4} \mu_D T \sigma r^3 G_{2,4}^{2,2} \left( \begin{matrix} -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}, -1 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\mu_D^2 r^2}{4} \right)$$

$$- \alpha T \phi(\mu_D r),$$

$$m_b = 4.676 \text{ GeV}, \alpha = 0.39,$$

$$\sigma = 0.223 \text{ GeV}^2, B = 0 \text{ GeV},$$

$$\text{assume that } \mu_D(T) = T/2.$$

Provide mass and width of

1S, 2S, 3S, 1P, and 2P states.

@(0, 151, 173, 199, 251, 334) MeV.

