

# Portals effective theories

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# WHERE IS THE NEW PHYSICS HIDING?



# Heavy neutral leptons (HNLs)

Right handed neutrinos

$$\mathcal{L}_{\nu_R} = -y_{ai}\bar{\ell}_a\epsilon\phi\nu_{Ri} - \frac{1}{2}\bar{\nu}_{Ri}^c M_{ij}\nu_{Rj} + \text{h.c.}$$

$y_{ai}$  Yukawa coupling;  $M_{ij}$  Majorana mass

Electroweak symmetry breaking

Dirac mass  $m_{ai} = v y_{ai}$

Seesaw mechanism

$$m_\nu = -m_{ai}M_{ij}^{-1}m_{bj}^T = -\theta_{ai}M_{ij}\theta_{bj}^T$$

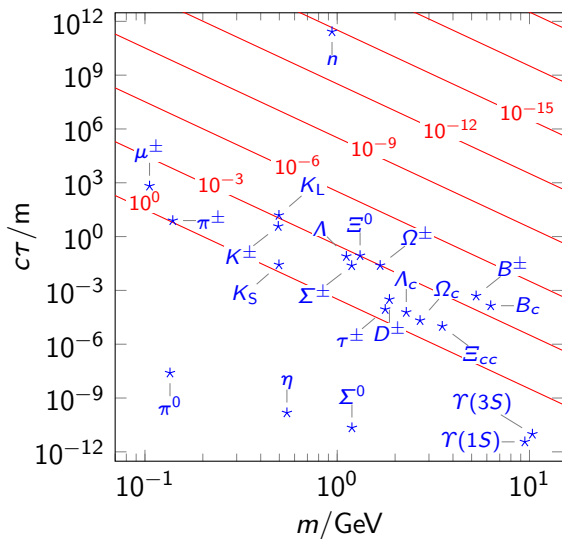
$$\theta_{ai} = m_{aj}M_{ij}^{-1}$$

produces tiny SM neutrino masses

Decay width

$$\Gamma_N \approx \frac{G_F^2}{8\pi^3} |\theta_a|^2 M^5$$

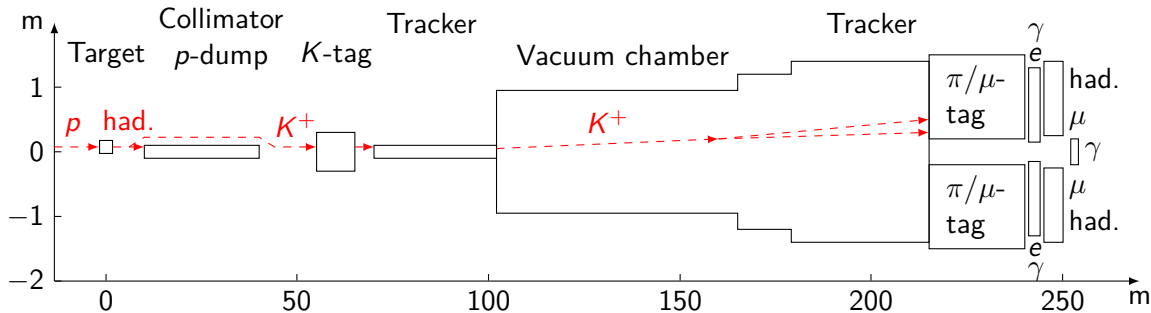
HNL lifetime



■ SM particles ■ HNL coupling  $|\theta|^2$

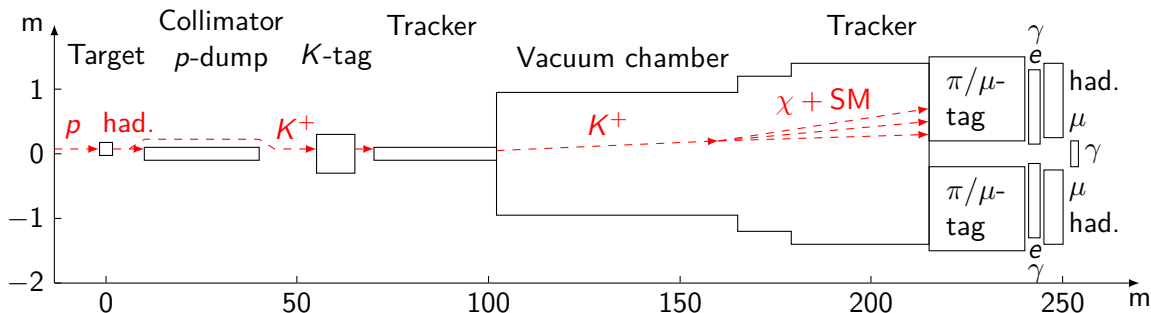
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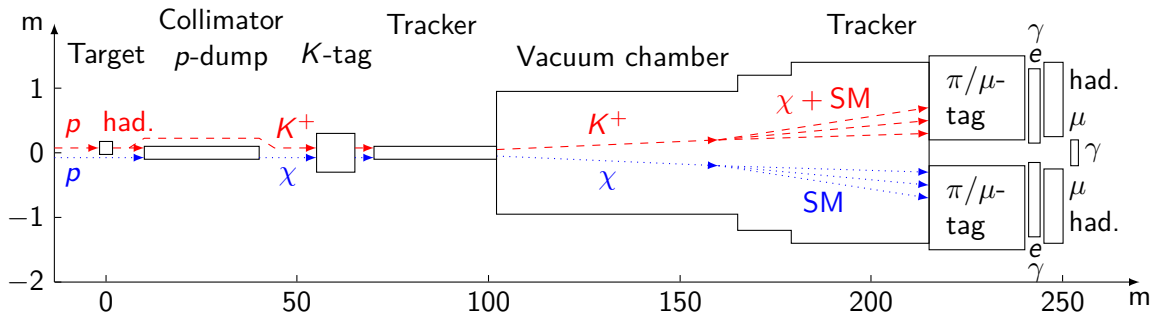


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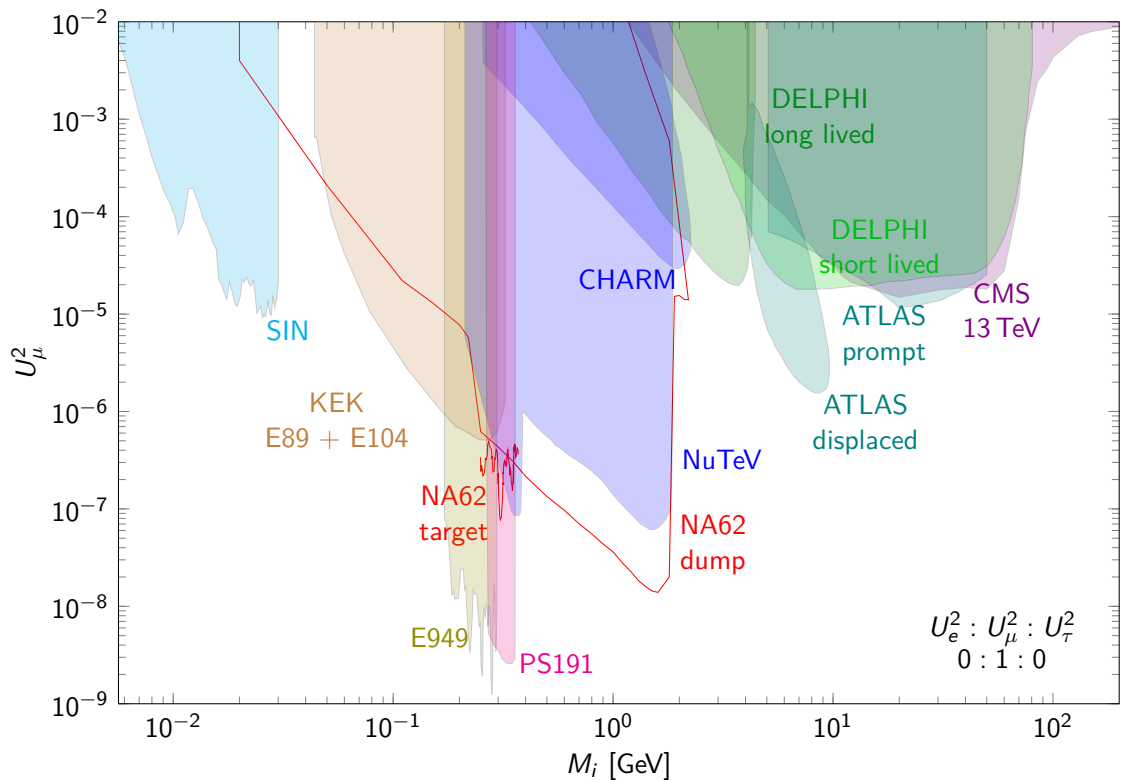
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- **Dump mode**
- $D^-$  and  $B^-$  meson induced processes dominate

pure  $U_\mu^2$



# Axion like particles (ALP)

The ALP mass and interaction terms

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{2} m_a^2 a^2 + \frac{\alpha_s}{8\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} \tilde{G}G + c \frac{\alpha_{EM}}{8\pi} \frac{a}{f_a} \tilde{F}F$$

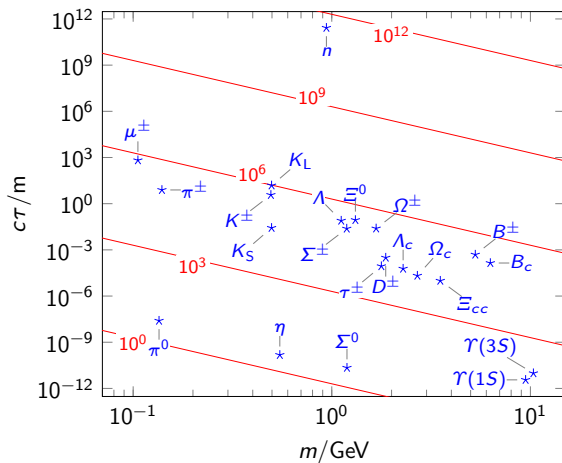
With a model dependent constant  $c$ .

Widths

$$\Gamma_g = k \frac{\alpha_s^2}{32\pi^3} \frac{m_a^3}{f_a^2}, \quad \Gamma_\gamma = c^2 \frac{\alpha_{EM}^2}{32\pi^3} \frac{m_a^3}{f_a^2}$$

With NLO correction factor  $k$ .

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- SM particles
- ALP decay constant  $f_a/\text{GeV}$





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## Chiral perturbation theory ( $\chi$ PT)

- exploits light quark flavour symmetry
- light meson interactions

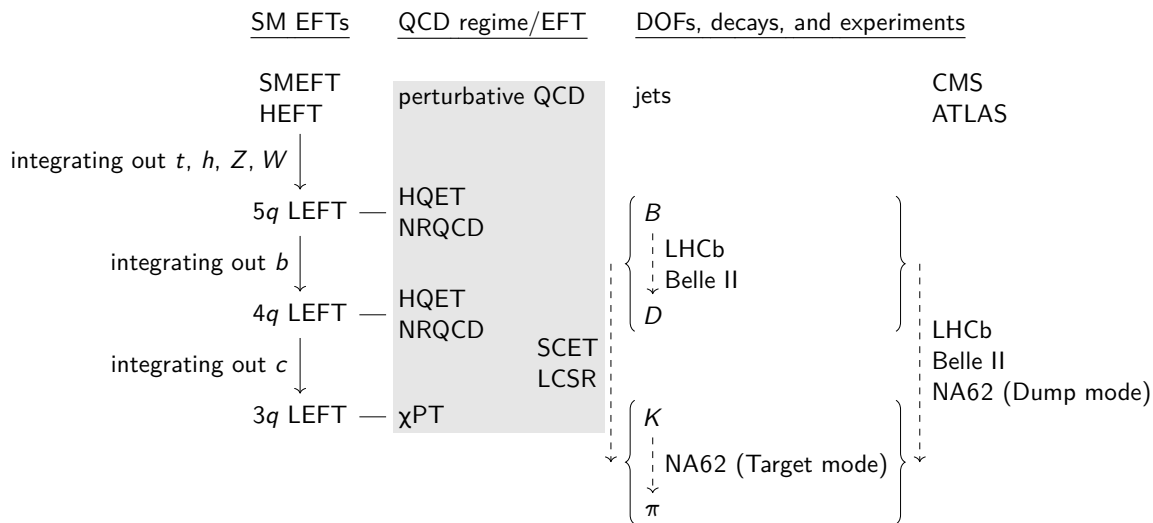
## Heavy quark EFT (HQET)

- exploits mass hierarchy within meson
- interactions of mesons with one heavy quark

## non-relativistic QCD (NRQCD)

- interactions of mesons with two heavy quarks
- treats heavy mesons non-relativistically

# EFTs of the SM and where to use them



# Portal effective theories

# Portal effective field theories

## Hidden sector

- contains mediator fields
- can entail a complicated secluded sector

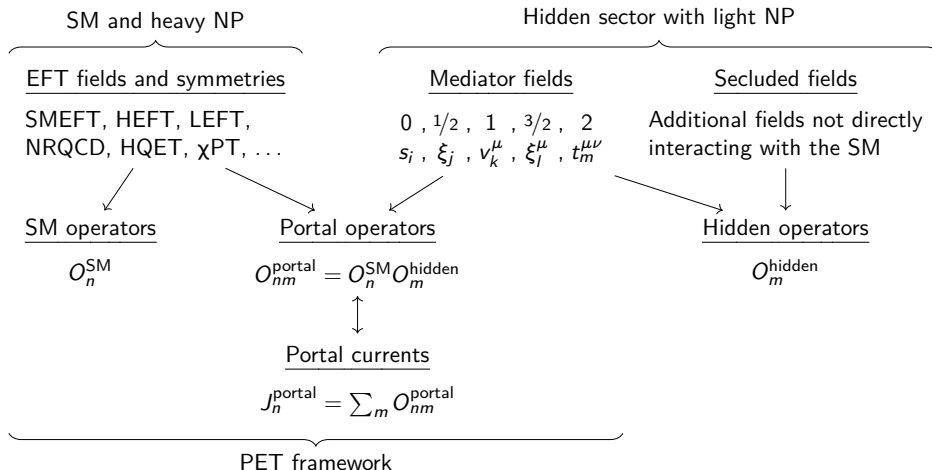
## Mediator fields

- interact feebly with the SM
- forms with the SM fields the portal operators

## Secluded sector

- fields which are not directly coupled to SM
- additional interactions of the mediators
- mass generation mechanism for mediator

Incorporated of necessary portal suppression into EFT power counting





# Portal currents

SM operators

$$O_n^{\text{SM}} = O_n^{\text{SM}}(q, \ell, \gamma, g, \dots)$$

Hidden operators

$$O_m^{\text{hidden}} = O_m^{\text{hidden}}(s_i, \xi_j, v_k^\mu, \dots)$$

Form portal operators

$$O_{nm}^{\text{portal}} = O_n^{\text{SM}} O_m^{\text{hidden}}$$

Can be collected in Portal currents

$$J_n^{\text{portal}} = \sum_m O_{nm}^{\text{portal}}$$

Capturing the portal interactions of the SM

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{portal}} = \sum_n J_n^{\text{portal}} O_n^{\text{SM}}$$

For example: The axial anomaly

$$\mathcal{L}_Q^\theta = -\theta \frac{\langle \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \rangle_c}{(4\pi)^2}$$

$G_{\mu\nu}$  Gluon field strength  
 $\theta$  QCD vacuum angle

In terms of current  $\theta$  and operator  $w$

$$\mathcal{L}_Q^\theta = -\theta w \quad w = \frac{\langle \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \rangle_c}{(4\pi)^2}$$

Scalar axial current  $S_\theta$  contains NP

$$\theta \rightarrow \Theta = \theta + S_\theta$$

E.g. Axion like particle  $a$

$$S_\theta = c_\theta \frac{a}{f_a}$$

More complicated models

$$S_\theta = c_\theta \frac{a}{f_a} + \dots$$

## Renormalisable operators

	$d$	Higgs	Yukawa + h.c.	Fermions	Gauge bosons
$s_i$	3	$s_i  H ^2$			
	4	$s_i s_j  H ^2$			
$\xi_a + \text{h.c.}$	4		$\xi_a \ell_b \tilde{H}^\dagger$		
$v^\mu$	4	$v_\mu v^\mu  H ^2$		$v^\mu q_a^\dagger \bar{\sigma}_\mu q_b$	
		$\partial_\mu v^\mu  H ^2$		$v^\mu \bar{u}_a^\dagger \sigma_\mu \bar{u}_b$	
		$v^\mu H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H$		$v^\mu \bar{d}_a^\dagger \sigma_\mu \bar{d}_b$	
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## Non-renormalisable operators of dimension 5

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$s_i$	5	$s_i s_j s_k  H ^2$	$s_i q_a \bar{u}_b \tilde{H}^\dagger$		$s_i G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu}$
		$s_i D^\mu H^\dagger D_\mu H$	$s_i q_a \bar{d}_b H^\dagger$		$s_i W_{\mu\nu}^a W_a^{\mu\nu}$
		$s_i  H ^4$	$s_i \ell_a \bar{e}_b H^\dagger$		$s_i B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$
					$s_i G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}_a^{\mu\nu}$
					$s_i W_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{W}_a^{\mu\nu}$
					$s_i B_{\mu\nu} \tilde{B}^{\mu\nu}$
$\xi_a + \text{h.c.}$	5	$\xi_a \xi_b  H ^2$	$\xi_a^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \ell_b D_\mu \tilde{H}^\dagger$		$\xi_a \sigma^{\mu\nu} \xi_b B_{\mu\nu}$

## Portal Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{portal}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^H + \mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^Y + \mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^F + \mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^V.$$

## Individual parts

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^H = S_m^H |H|^2 + \frac{1}{2} S_\lambda^H |H|^4 + S_\kappa^H D^\mu H^\dagger D_\mu H + i V_H^\mu H^\dagger \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^Y = \mathbf{S}_m^e \ell \bar{e} H^\dagger + \mathbf{S}_m^d q \bar{d} H^\dagger + \mathbf{S}_m^u q \bar{u} \tilde{H}^\dagger + \Xi \ell \tilde{H}^\dagger + \Xi_\mu \ell D^\mu \tilde{H}^\dagger + \text{h.c.},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^F = \mathbf{V}_q^\mu q^\dagger \overline{\sigma}_\mu q + \mathbf{V}_\ell^\mu \ell^\dagger \overline{\sigma}_\mu \ell + \mathbf{V}_u^\mu \bar{u}^\dagger \sigma_\mu \bar{u} + \mathbf{V}_d^\mu \bar{d}^\dagger \sigma_\mu \bar{d} + \mathbf{V}_e^\mu \bar{e}^\dagger \sigma_\mu \bar{e},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EW}}^V = (S_\omega^B B_{\mu\nu} + S_\theta^B \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu} + T_{\mu\nu}^B) B^{\mu\nu} + (S_\omega^W W_{\mu\nu} + S_\theta^W \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}) W^{\mu\nu} + (S_\omega G_{\mu\nu} + S_\theta \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu}) G^{\mu\nu}.$$

## Portal SMEFT

- at dimension 5 is encoded in 21 portal currents
- serves as starting point for construction of EFT for lower energies

# Portal LEFT currents

After integrating out the heavy SM bosons

interactions are described by operators of dimension  $5 + 2 = 7$

QCD operators and portal currents

SM operator	current	
$w = \langle \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \rangle_c / (4\pi)^2$	$\Theta = \theta + S_\theta$	vacuum angle
$\gamma = \langle G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \rangle_c / (4\pi)^2$	$\Omega = 2\pi/\alpha + S_\omega$	fine structure constant
$Q = q\bar{q}$	$M = m + S_m$	mass

Gluon fields are normalised such that  $D_\mu = \partial_\mu - iG_\mu$ .

Portal LEFT current Lagrangian

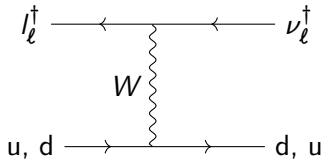
$$\mathcal{L}_Q = \Theta w - \Omega \gamma - \langle \mathbf{M} \mathbf{Q} \rangle_f$$

Constant SM currents

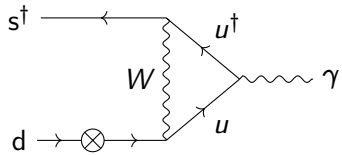
can contain dynamical NP contributions

# Electroweak induced portal LEFT currents

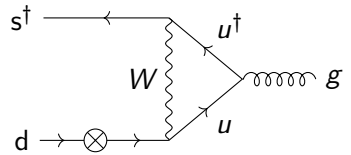
Vector current interactions



Electromagnetic dipole

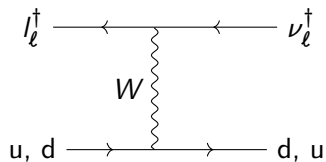


Chromomagnetic dipole

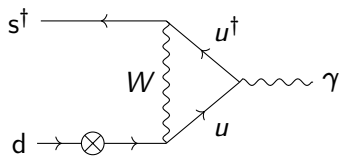


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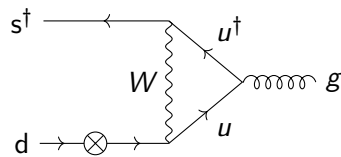
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## QCD operators and portal currents

SM operator	current	SM contribution	
$Q^\mu = q\sigma^\mu q^\dagger$	$L^\mu = l^\mu + V_l^\mu$	$l^\mu = eqA^\mu + l_W^\mu$	left-handed
$\bar{Q}^\mu = \bar{q}^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \bar{q}$	$R^\mu = r^\mu + V_r^\mu$	$r^\mu = eqA^\mu$	right-handed
$Q_{\mu\nu} = q\sigma_{\mu\nu} \bar{q}$	$T^{\mu\nu} = \tau^{\mu\nu} + T_\tau^{\mu\nu}$	$\tau^{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{3} F^{\mu\nu} \gamma_A$	tensorial (EM dipole)
$\tilde{Q} = q\sigma_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \bar{q}$	$\Gamma = \gamma + S_\gamma$	$\gamma = m \left( \lambda_s^d \sum c_u V_{su}^\dagger V_{ud} + \text{h.c.} \right)$	chromomagnetic

## Electroweak contributions to the portal LEFT current Lagrangian

$$\delta\mathcal{L}_Q^{\text{EW}} = -\langle (L^\mu Q_\mu + R^\mu \bar{Q}_\mu) \rangle_f - \langle (\Gamma \tilde{Q} + T^{\mu\nu} Q_{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.}) \rangle_f / (4\pi v)^2$$

# Flavour symmetry in the quark sector

Kinetic Lagrangian is invariant under global flavour rotations

$$q \rightarrow \mathbf{V}q, \quad \bar{q} \rightarrow \bar{q}\bar{\mathbf{V}}, \quad (\mathbf{V}, \bar{\mathbf{V}}) \in G_{LR} = U(n_f)_L \times U(n_f)_R$$

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Currents transform as

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Path integral is invariant under local flavour rotations

$$\mathbf{l}^\mu \rightarrow \mathbf{V}\mathbf{l}^\mu\mathbf{V}^\dagger + i\mathbf{V}\partial^\mu\mathbf{V}^\dagger, \quad \mathbf{r}^\mu \rightarrow \bar{\mathbf{V}}^\dagger\mathbf{r}^\mu\bar{\mathbf{V}} + i\bar{\mathbf{V}}^\dagger\partial^\mu\bar{\mathbf{V}}$$

Flavour covariant quark derivatives

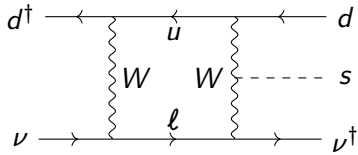
$$\mathbf{D}^\mu q = \partial^\mu q - i\mathbf{l}^\mu q, \quad \mathbf{D}^\mu \bar{q}^\dagger = \partial^\mu \bar{q}^\dagger - i\mathbf{r}^\mu \bar{q}^\dagger$$

Field-strength tensors for the left- and right-handed currents

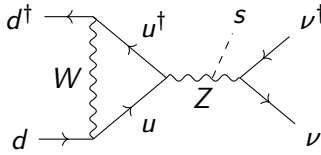
$$\mathbf{l}^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu\mathbf{l}^\nu - \partial^\nu\mathbf{l}^\mu - i[\mathbf{l}^\mu, \mathbf{l}^\nu], \quad \mathbf{r}^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu\mathbf{r}^\nu - \partial^\nu\mathbf{r}^\mu - i[\mathbf{r}^\mu, \mathbf{r}^\nu]$$

# Portal LEFT operators

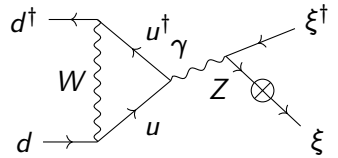
Scalar box diagram



Scalar penguin diagram

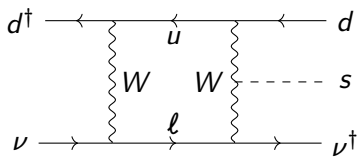


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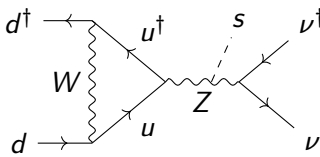


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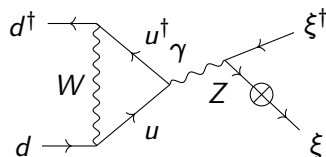
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Quark flavour conserving operators

	$d$	Scalar	Vector	Gauge
	4	$s_i \bar{\psi}\psi$		
$s_i$	5	$s_i s_j \bar{\psi}\psi$		$s_i F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$ $s_i F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}$ $s_i G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}$ $s_i G_{\mu\nu} \tilde{G}^{\mu\nu}$
$\xi_a$	3	$\xi_a \nu$		
h.c.	5			$\xi_a \bar{\sigma}_{\mu\nu} \nu F^{\mu\nu}$ $\xi_a \bar{\sigma}_{\mu\nu} \xi_b F^{\mu\nu}$
$\nu_\mu$	4		$\nu_\mu \psi^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \psi$	

Quark flavour violating operators

	$d$	Two quarks	Quark dipole	Four fermions
	4	$s_i s_j s_k \bar{d} d$	$s_i F^{\mu\nu} \bar{d} \sigma_{\mu\nu} d$	
$s_i$	6	$\partial^2 s_i \bar{d} d$ $s_i \partial_\mu s_j d^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu d$	$s_i G^{\mu\nu} \bar{d} \sigma_{\mu\nu} d$	
	7	$s_i s_j s_k s_l \bar{d} d$		$s_i d^\dagger \bar{q}^\dagger \bar{q} d$ $s_i q^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu q q^\dagger \bar{\sigma}_\mu q$ $s_i d^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu d \bar{q} \sigma_\mu \bar{q}^\dagger$ $s_i e^\dagger \bar{\sigma}_\mu \nu u^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu d$ $s_i \nu^\dagger \bar{\sigma}_\mu \nu d^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu d$
$\xi_a$	6	$\xi_a^\dagger \bar{\sigma}_\mu e d^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu u$		
h.c.		$\xi_a^\dagger \bar{\sigma}_\mu \nu d^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu d$		

# Portal chiral perturbation theory

# Chiral perturbation theory

Flavour symmetry is non-linearly realised

$$\mathbf{g}(x) = \exp \frac{i\Phi(x)}{f_0}$$

Matrix valued field of the light mesons

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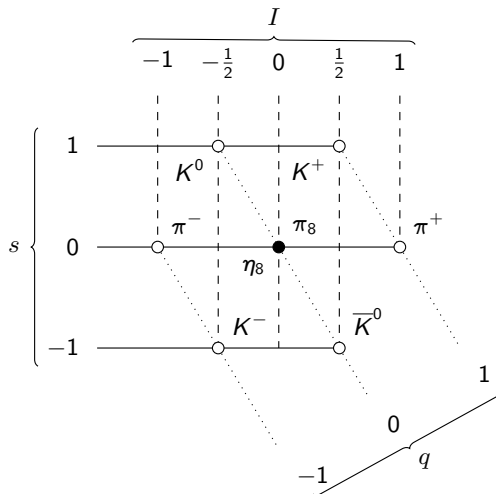
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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & (2L_2 + L_3) \langle \mathbf{U}^\mu \mathbf{U}_\mu \mathbf{U}^\nu \mathbf{U}_\nu \rangle_f + L_2 \langle \mathbf{U}_\mu \mathbf{U}_\nu \mathbf{U}^\mu \mathbf{U}^\nu \rangle_f + \frac{f_0^2}{2n_f} \Lambda_1 \mathbf{U}_\mu \mathbf{U}^\mu \\ & + L_5 b_0 \langle \widehat{\mathbf{M}} \mathbf{U}_\mu \mathbf{U}^\mu \rangle_f + \text{h.c.} + L_8 b_0^2 \left( \langle \widehat{\mathbf{M}}^2 \rangle_f + \text{h.c.} \right) + \frac{f_0^2 b_0}{2n_f} \Lambda_2 \widehat{\mathbf{M}} \widehat{\Theta} + \text{h.c.} \\ & - i L_9 \langle \mathbf{U}^\mu \mathbf{U}^\nu (\mathbf{L}_{\mu\nu} + \widehat{\mathbf{R}}_{\mu\nu}) \rangle_f + L_{10} \langle \mathbf{L}^{\mu\nu} \widehat{\mathbf{R}}_{\mu\nu} \rangle_f \end{aligned}$$

Field strength tensors of the left- and right-handed currents

$$\mathbf{L}^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu \mathbf{L}^\nu - \partial^\nu \mathbf{L}^\mu - i[\mathbf{L}^\mu, \mathbf{L}^\nu], \quad \mathbf{R}^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu \mathbf{R}^\nu - \partial^\nu \mathbf{R}^\mu - i[\mathbf{R}^\mu, \mathbf{R}^\nu], \quad \widehat{\mathbf{R}}_{\mu\nu} = \mathbf{g} \mathbf{R}_{\mu\nu} \mathbf{g}^\dagger$$

# Low energy realisations (LERs)

Reminder

$$w = \langle \tilde{G}_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \rangle_c / (4\pi)^2$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = q\bar{q}$$

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$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} = q\sigma_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} \bar{q}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}}^\mu = \bar{q}^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \bar{q}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\mu\nu} = q\sigma_{\mu\nu} \bar{q}$$

LERs associated with the  $\mathbf{L}_\mu$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_\mu$ ,  $M$ , and  $\Theta$  currents are well established.

$$\mathbf{Q}_\mu = -f_0^2 \mathbf{U}_\mu, \quad \bar{\mathbf{Q}}_\mu = -f_0^2 \mathbf{g}^\dagger \mathbf{U}_\mu \mathbf{g}, \quad \mathbf{Q} = -\frac{1}{2} f_0^2 b_0 \mathbf{g}, \quad w = -i f_0^2 \frac{m_0^2}{n_f} \hat{\Theta}.$$

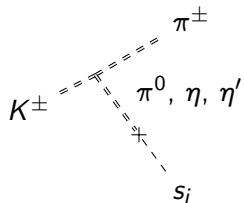
LERs associated with the  $T_{\mu\nu}$  and  $\Gamma$  currents

$$\mathbf{Q}^{\mu\nu} = -f_0 \left( \kappa_T^{D^2} \mathbf{U}^\mu \mathbf{U}^\nu + \kappa_T^{LR} (\mathbf{L}^{\mu\nu} + \hat{\mathbf{R}}^{\mu\nu}) \right) \mathbf{g}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} = -\frac{1}{2} f_0^4 b_0 \kappa_T \mathbf{g}$$

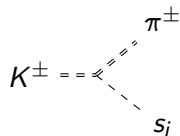
# Kaon decay

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## Mass mixing



## Direct production



## Complete transition amplitude

$$\mathcal{A}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ s_i) = \mathcal{A}_{\text{direct}} + \mathcal{A}_{\text{mixing}}.$$

## Master equation

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ s_i) = & 2\pi m_K \left( \frac{\epsilon_{UV}}{2} \frac{b_0}{4\pi m_K} \right)^2 \rho(x_\pi, x_s) \\ & \left( \left| \text{Re} \left( c_{K\pi s_i} - c_{\partial^2 i s} \frac{S_{md} m_s^2}{v^2} \right) + \frac{\epsilon_{EW}}{b_0 v} \left( X_i + 2 \frac{c_i^{S_\omega}}{\beta_0} (X_0 - h'_b m_K^2) \right) \right|^2 \right. \\ & \left. + \left| \text{Im} c_{K\pi s_i} + \frac{\epsilon_{EW}}{\epsilon_{UV} f_0 b_0} (\theta_{\pi s_i} V_{K\pi\pi} + \theta_{\eta s_i} V_{K\pi\eta} + \theta_{\eta' s_i} V_{K\pi\eta'}) \right|^2 \right). \end{aligned}$$

The direct contribution is

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{direct}} = \mathcal{A}_m^{\text{Re}} + \mathcal{A}_h = -\frac{b_0 v}{2f_a} c_{K\pi a} - \frac{\epsilon_{\text{EW}}}{2f_a} X_0, \quad X_i = \frac{1}{2}(h_{8i} + (n_f - 1)h_{27i})(m_K^2 + m_\pi^2 - m_s^2)$$

while the indirect contribution for production via meson-to-axion mixing is

$$\mathcal{A}_{\text{mixing}} = \mathcal{A}_m^{\text{Im}} + \mathcal{A}_\theta = -i \frac{\epsilon_{\text{EW}}}{2f_0} (\theta_{\pi a} V_{K\pi\pi} + \theta_{\eta a} V_{K\pi\eta} + \theta_{\eta' a} V_{K\pi\eta'}),$$

where the mixing angles are now

$$\theta_{\pi a} = \frac{f_0}{f_a} \frac{b_0 v c_{a\pi}}{m_a^2 - m_\pi^2}, \quad \theta_{\eta a} = \frac{f_0}{f_a} \frac{b_0 v c_{a\eta} + c_{S_\theta} m_0^2 s_\eta}{m_a^2 - m_\eta^2}, \quad \theta_{\eta' a} = \frac{f_0}{f_a} \frac{b_0 v c_{a\eta'} - c_{S_\theta} m_0^2 c_\eta}{m_a^2 - m_{\eta'}^2}$$

Comparison with literature for direct contribution

- Previous calculations were wrong by 0.16 [2102.13112]
- We reproduce the new result

$$\mathcal{A}(K^- \rightarrow \pi^- a) \approx 7.5 \times 10^{-8} \frac{m_K^2}{f_a}$$

# Light real scalar fields

Lagrangian

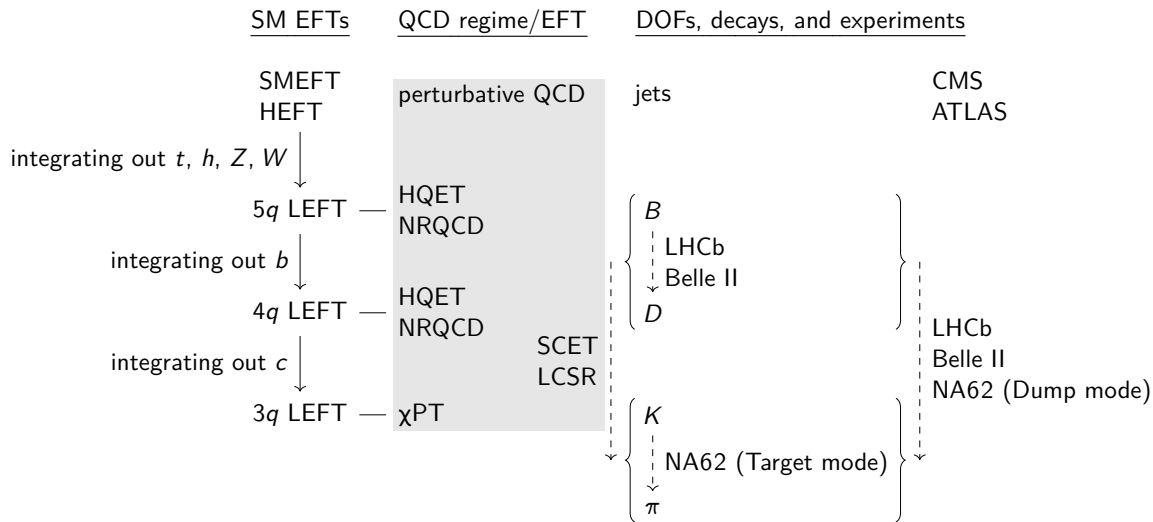
$$\mathcal{L}_s = \mathcal{L}_s^{\text{hidden}} + \mathcal{L}_s^{\text{portal}}, \quad \mathcal{L}_s^{\text{hidden}} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu s \partial^\mu s + \lambda s^2 + \lambda' s^3 + \lambda'' s^4,$$

Portal interactions with coefficients  $\alpha_i$ ,  $c_X$ , and  $\mathbf{c}_x$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_s^{\text{portal}} = & \frac{\alpha_0}{\Lambda} s D^\mu H^\dagger D_\mu H + \left( \alpha_1 s + \alpha_2 s^2 + \frac{\alpha_3}{\Lambda} s^3 \right) H^\dagger H + \frac{\alpha_4}{\Lambda} s (H^\dagger H)^2 \\ & + \frac{s}{\Lambda} (i \mathbf{c}_u q \bar{u} \tilde{H}^\dagger + \mathbf{c}_d q \bar{d} H^\dagger + \mathbf{c}_e \ell \bar{e} H^\dagger + \text{h.c.}) + \frac{c_W}{\Lambda} s W_{\mu\nu} W^{\mu\nu} + \frac{c_B}{\Lambda} s B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu} + \frac{c_G}{\Lambda} s G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}, \end{aligned}$$

Amplitude reproduces result from Nucl. Phys. B 343 (1990)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(K^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ h) = & \frac{m_K^2}{v} \left[ \left( \frac{\kappa_W}{2} - \frac{\kappa_G}{\beta_0} \right) \epsilon_{\text{EW}} (h_8 + (n_f - 1) h_{27}) \left( 1 + \frac{m_\pi^2 - m_s^2}{m_K^2} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{\kappa_d - \kappa_u}{4} \epsilon_{\text{EW}} (h_8 + (n_f - 1) h_{27}) \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_K^2} - 2 \epsilon_{\text{EW}} \left( \frac{\kappa_W}{2} h_b - \frac{\kappa_G}{\beta_0} h'_b \right) + \kappa_{\text{ds}} \right]. \end{aligned}$$



- Decay from heavy mesons work in progress
- Constrain currents instead of couplings
- EFT description of portal solution for meson anomalies



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- Portal EFTs capture new physics interactions involving light mediators
- We have reproduced kaon decays into hidden sectors within  $\chi$ PT
- Other EFTs need to be extended in order to describe the decays of other mesons