

GAuge and STRing (the inner spirit of theories)



Aspetti fondamentali con svariati collegamenti fisici e metodologici: filone di ricerca unitario, anche fuori Bologna!
Modello Standard (teorie di gauge)+ **Gravità: metodi esatti (o quasi)**. Produttiva: circa 20+10 articoli+preprint/anno.

- **Olografia/dualità tra teorie di gauge/gravità/integrabilità+Integrability exact methods in physics and mathematics:** Abenda, Fioravanti, Fiorese, Frassek, Lapenna, Mahanta, Rossi, Weber; *On the origin of the correspondence between classical and quantum integrable theories, PLB2023*; *A new method for exact results on Quasinormal Modes of Black Holes*.
- **Approccio di world-line a ampiezze:** Balli, Bastianelli, Comberiati, Corradini, De La Cruz, Fecit, Latini; *Light bending from eikonal in worldline quantum field theory, JHEP*.
- **Higher gauge theories:** Zucchini; *Quantum field theoretic representation of Wilson surfaces: I and II, JHEP*.
- **Olografia, meccanica statistica, entanglement, entropia:** Ravanini, Trancanelli; *Wilson loops and defect RG flows in ABJM, JHEP*.

ST&FI - String Theory and Fundamental Interactions

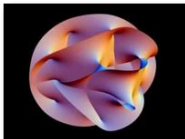
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- *Attività scientifica:* Fenomenologia e cosmologia di stringa
 - Compattificazioni di stringa
 - Modelli con D-brane
 - Stabilizzazione dei moduli
 - Inflazione
 - Rottura della supersimmetria

ST&FI

String theory and Fundamental Interactions

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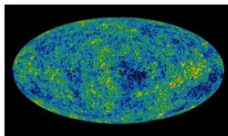
Research: String Phenomenology and Cosmology



EFTs of string compactifications

Flux vacua with approximate flat directions
 Cicoli, Licheri, Mahanta, Maharana
JHEP 10 (2022) 086

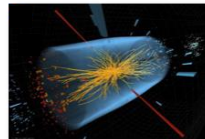
Joint statistics of cosmological constant and SUSY breaking in flux vacua with nilpotent Goldstino
 Cicoli, Licheri, Maharana, Singh, Sinha
JHEP 01 (2023) 013



Applications to Cosmology

Stringy multifield quintessence and the Swampland
 Brinkmann, Cicoli, Dibitetto, Pedro
JHEP 11 (2022) 044

The dark universe after reheating in string inflation
 Cicoli, Sinha, Wiley Deal
JHEP 12 (2022) 068



Applications to Particle Physics

Axions in string theory - Slaying the Hydra of dark radiation
 Cicoli, Hebecker, Jaeckel, Wittner
JHEP 09 (2022) 198

QFT@Collider- Teoria di Campo delle Interazioni Fondamentali e fenomenologia

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- *Attività scientifica:* teoria quantistica dei campi e applicazioni
 - 2021 ERC Starting Grant FFHiggsTop (Peraro)
 - Effective field theories and SMEFT
 - SM and BSM phenomenology
 - Physics in future particle colliders
 - Small x QCD
 - RG flows and critical theories

QFT@Collider :

TEORIA DI CAMPO DELLE INTERAZIONI FONDAMENTALI E FENOMENOLOGIA

Staff (7), Postdocs (5), Ph.D. (2)

Papers: published (16) and preprints (30)

Effective theories

Complete SMEFT predictions for four top quark production at hadron colliders

R. Aoude, H. El Faham, **F. Maltoni** and E. Vryonidou,
JHEP 10 (2022) 163, arXiv:2208.04962

Resummations

Resummation effects in the bottom-quark fragmentation function

F. Maltoni, G. Ridolfi, M. Ubiali and M. Zaro,
JHEP 10 (2022) 027, arXiv:2207.10038

Multi-loop scattering amplitudes

Two-loop QCD corrections to the $V \rightarrow q\bar{q}g$ helicity amplitude with axial-vector couplings

T. Gehrmann, **T. Peraro** and L. Tancredi,
JHEP 02 (2023) 041, arXiv:2211.13596

Quantum entanglement

Quantum information and CP Measurement in $H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ at future lepton colliders

M.M. Altakach, P. Lamba, **F. Maltoni**, K. Mawatari and K. Sakurai,
Phys. Rev. D 107 (2023) 093002, arXiv: 2211.10513

Quantum SMEFT tomography: top quark pair production at LHC

R. Aoude, E. Madge, **F. Maltoni**, L. Mantani,
Phys. Rev. D 106 (2022) 055007, arXiv: 2203.05619

Amplitudes

- *Responsabile nazionale:* Vittorio del Duca (LNF)
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- *Attività scientifica:*
 - Gauge theories
 - mathematical methods in QFT and gravity
 - multi-loop amplitudes
 - on-shell techniques

MONSTRE - Teorie microscopiche di sistemi a molti corpi fortemente interagenti

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 - QCD a bassa energia e fisica degli adroni
 - Struttura nucleare ed eccitazioni collettive dei nuclei
 - applicazioni nel settore astrofisica (stelle neutroni)

Iniziativa Specifica **MONSTRE**

Paolo Finelli (local coordinator); Danilo Gambacurta (national coordinator)

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Modeling Nuclear Structure and Reactions

Long-term strategy: **Ab-initio** Nuclear

Elastic Nucleon-Nucleus scattering ✓

Inelastic Nucleon-Nucleus scattering

(Work in progress)

Nucleus-Nucleus scattering

(Work in progress)

Mass/Charge exchange scattering

FRAGMENTATIO

Extensions

Non-zero spin

Three-body

Medium

2nd order

Numerical codes

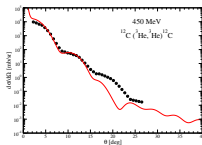
Factorized

Full folding

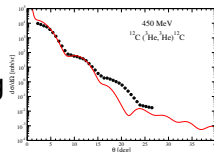
R-matrix

Optimal approximation

Coupled



To be submitted to PRL



Submitted to PRC

2022

Phys.Rev.C 105 (2022) 5, 055503; Phys.Rev.C 105 (2022) 1, 014621

Quantum

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 - Quantum Computing Solutions for High Energy Physics (QUANTERA)
 - Quantum Computing for Data Analysis (Int. Foundation Big Data and Artificial Intelligence)
 - Hamiltonian evolution of the dynamics of QCD-inspired field theory models (INFN-CERN-IBMQ)

IS QUANTUM

- Sezione di Bologna

QUANTUM SIMULATIONS with applications to MANY BODY MODELS, GAUGE THEORIES, INFORMATION THEORY

- Effetti quantistici macroscopici: transizioni di fase quantistiche di sistemi a molti corpi fortemente correlati in bassa dimensionalità (miscele bosoniche/fermioniche; fasi topologiche)
- Simulazioni di Lattice Gauge Theories in approccio Hamiltoniano: effetti non perturbativi e di dinamica in tempo reale
- Algoritmi quantistici e ibridi per problemi di ottimizzazione/variazionali

PUBBLICAZIONI

- R. Maggi et al., J. Math. Phys. 63 (2022) 010122
- L. Pisani et al., Phys. Rev. B 105 (2022) 054505
- S. Satanassi et al., Phys. Rev. Phys. Ed. Research 18 (2022) 22902
- L. Lumia et al., PRX Quantum 3 (2022) 020320
- M. Bondani et al., Physics 4 (2022) 1150
- M. Pini et al., Phys. Rev B 107 (2023) 054505
- S. Tibaldi et al., SciPost Phys. 14 (2023) 005
- G. Angelone et al., J. Phys. A56 (2023) 065201
- A. Mariani et al., Phys. Rev. D 107 (2023) 114513

InDark - Inflazione, Materia Oscura e Strutture su Grandi Scale dell'Universo

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TAsP - Theoretical Astroparticle Physics

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- *Attività scientifica:*
 - Fisica dei neutrini
 - Fisica astroparticellare oltre il Modello Standard

TASP

Neutrino and astroparticle theory and pheno

From low energies (dark sectors)

to GUT scales

eV

keV

MeV

GeV

TeV

Intermediate scale

GUT scale

1. Rich dark sectors,
HNL searches, DM, PT

2. Connection between GUT
models, leptogenesis and GW

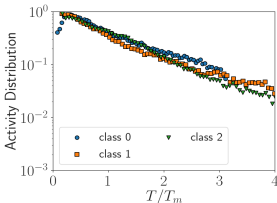
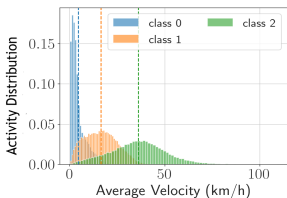
- Dark sectors:** Explaining inelastic dark matter and the $g-2$ muon anomalous magnetic moment as well as other low energy anomalies via rich dark sectors. Several talks at conferences (e.g. ICHEP) and posters. Collaboration with A. Abdullahi, M. Hostert and 2 students, J. Hoefkens Zink and D. Massaro, and with the NA64 experiment. E-prints: EPJC 23 (2302.05410), 2302.05414.
 - GUTs and GW:** Confronting $SO(10)$ GUTs with proton decay and gravitational waves, B. Fu,, S. F. King, L. Marsili, S. Pascoli, J. Turner, Y.-L. Zhou. Published in: JHEP 11 (2022).
 - Dark Matter and its signatures: Dark Matter spikes around $Sgr A^*$ in γ -rays by F. Sala et al., 2303.12107
 - Phase transitions:** Bubbletrons, F. Sala et al., 2306.15555.
 - Contribution to **Muon Collider** studies (F. Sala).
 - FIPs 2022 Report** e-Print: 2305.01715 [hep-ph]
 - Several **DUNE papers** as members of the DUNE collaboration
- Coordination of Horizon2020 ITN HIDDEN with over 200 scientists (S. Pascoli, coordinator).
 - Node of Horizon Europe Staff Exchange ASYMMETRY (S. Pascoli, Local PI)
 - Collaboration/discussions with DUNE/ICARUS experimental team at Bologna and with KM3Net, NA64 and MicroBooNE.

LINCOLN - Statistica e Dinamica su Reti Complesse

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- *Attività scientifica:* Connection with PNRR projects and third mission activities of Theoretical Physics
 - Applying Dynamical Systems Theory to Complex Systems towards a Non-equilibrium Statistical Physics: mesoscopic point of view
 - Developing dynamical models on graphs for transport systems: congestion dynamics and optimization strategies
 - Extending the Entropy concept to explain biological and social systems

Universal properties of Complex Systems

Studying Human Mobility using mobile phone data



Collapse of exponential distributions for the travel time during different types of mobility: dataset MDT Rimini

A Bazzani, F Capoani, M Giovannozzi *Analysis of adiabatic trapping phenomena for quasi-integrable area-preserving maps in the presence of time-dependent excitors* Physical Review E 106 (3), 034204 (2022)

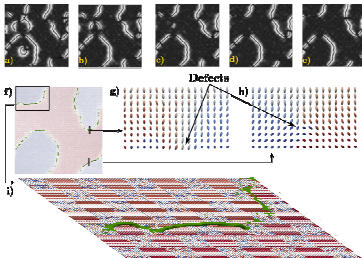
C Mizzi, A Fabbri, G Colombini, F Bertini, A Bazzani *A survival model to explain the statistical properties of multimodal mobility* Journal of Statistical Mechanics: Theory and Experiment 2022 (2), 023404

S Polizzi, T Marzi, T Matteuzzi, G Castellani, A Bazzani *Random Walk Approximation for Stochastic Processes on Graphs* Entropy 25 (3), 394 (2023)

L. Squadrani, N. Curti, E. Giampieri, D. Remondini, B. Blais, G. Castellani *Effectiveness of Biologically Inspired Neural Network Models in Learning and Patterns Memorization*, Entropy 2022, 24(5), 682

Computer simulations of anisotropic systems (C. Chiccoli and P. Pasini)

We have studied a nematic liquid crystal film confined to a flat cell with homeotropic and planar patterned hybrid anchoring and shown, using Monte Carlo simulations, the possibility of the system to stabilize line and point defects. The planar anchoring surface is patterned with a chessboard-like grid of squares with alternating random or parallel homogeneous planar anchoring. The simulations show only line defects when the individual domains are small enough, but also point defects when the domain size is significantly larger than the sample thickness. In the latter case, defect lines are not observed in domains with random surface anchoring, although lines and points are connected by a "thick line", which separates two regions with different director tilt. Increasing the anchoring strength, the defect lines appear a few layers above the surface, with the two ends just above the randomly oriented domains.



C.Chiccoli et al., Point and Line Defects in Checkerboard Patterned Hybrid Nematic Films. A Computer Simulation Investigation (*preprint*)

An example of MC evolution of defects and the snapshot in the 5th layer of free spins above the patterned surface. The both cut layer, marked as dotted lines in (f), showing the defect position is shown in (g) and (h). In (i) we show a 3D view of the isosurface for the small region marked in the right bottom of (f) showing how some defects leave the surface plane, while others still lie on it.

Collaborations:

Universities of Maringá and Apucarana (Brazil)

University of Ljubljana (Slovenia)

Gruppo IV in Sezione

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 - 2) post-doc stranieri in convenzione con UniBO
 - 3) supporto organizzazione eventi.