

# Effective Field Theory

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# Outline

## Lecture I

- Principles, Operators, Power Counting , Matching, Loops,  
Using Equations of Motion, Renormalization and Decoupling

## Lecture II

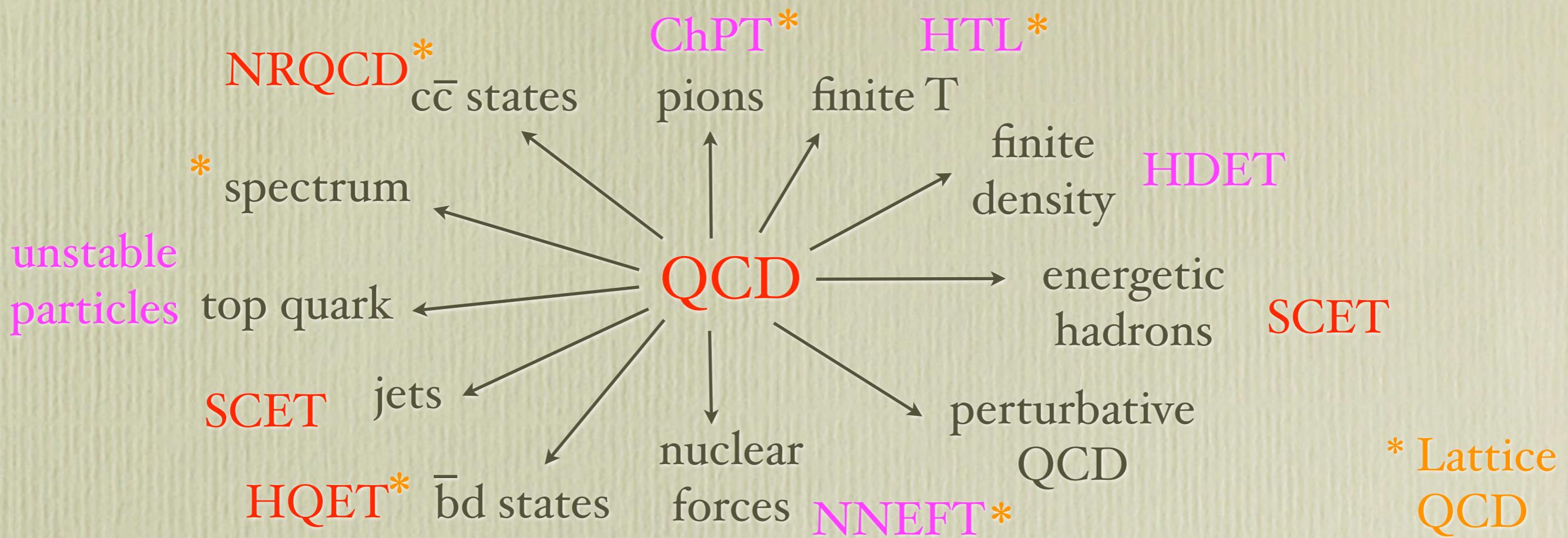
Summing Large Logarithms,  $\alpha_s$  matching,  
power counting without mass dimension

- Weak Interactions at low energy
- Heavy Quark Effective Theory  
(An Effective Theory for Static Sources)
- Non-relativistic QCD and QED

## Lecture III

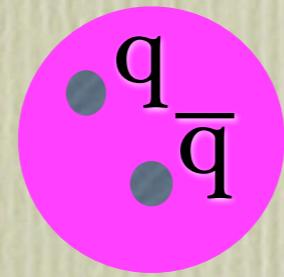
Soft - Collinear Effective Theory

# Effective Field Theories of QCD



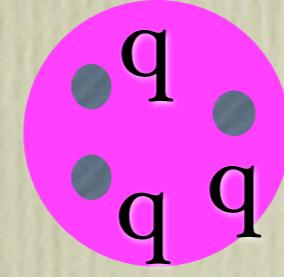
Mesons

$\pi, K, \rho, \dots$

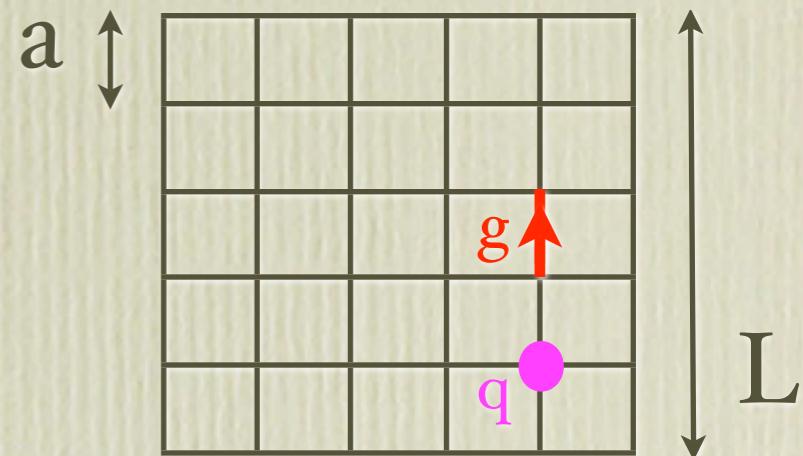


Baryons

$p, n, \Sigma, \Delta, \dots$



$$r = \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}$$



# Lecture II

# Weak Interactions at Low Energy



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eg.  $b \rightarrow c\bar{u}d$ 

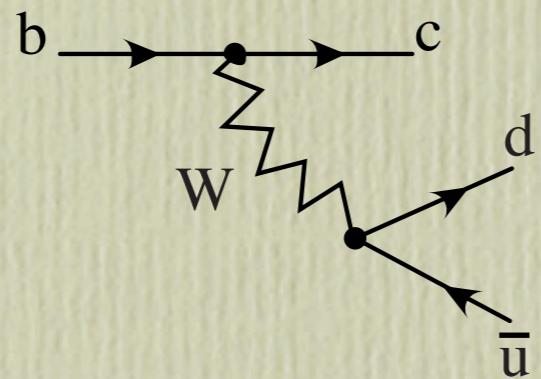
(Matching &amp; Running)

$$m_W \gg m_b$$

 $m_W$ 

## 1) Tree level matching

$$k = p_b - p_c = p_u + p_d \sim \text{masses}$$

 $m_b$ 

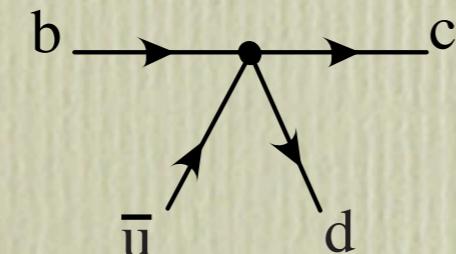
$$= \left( \frac{ig_2}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 V_{cb} V_{ud}^*(-i) \left( g^{\mu\nu} - \frac{k^\mu k^\nu}{m_W^2} \right) \frac{1}{k^2 - m_W^2}$$

$$\times [\bar{u}^c \gamma_\mu P_L u^b] [\bar{u}^d \gamma_\nu P_L v^u]$$

expand

$$G_F = \sqrt{2}g_2^2/(8m_W^2)$$

$$= -i \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{ud}^* [\bar{u}^c \gamma_\mu P_L u^b] [\bar{u}^d \gamma^\mu P_L v^u] + \dots$$

 $m_c$  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$  $m_s$  $m_{u,d}$ 

demand the same for this Feynman rule  
to get

$$H_F = -\mathcal{L}_F = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{ud}^* [\bar{c} \gamma_\mu P_L b] [\bar{d} \gamma^\mu P_L u]$$

## 2) Most General Operator Basis

$b \rightarrow c\bar{u}d$

$$H_F = \frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{cb} V_{ud}^* \left[ C_1(\mu) O_1(\mu) + C_2(\mu) O_2(\mu) \right]$$

- at  $\mu = m_W$  can treat b,c,d,u as massless to get C's, massless perturbative QCD does not change chirality  $\rightarrow$  odd # of  $\gamma$ 's  
**reduce to one gamma matrix**
- Two color structures give an overall singlet

$$\overline{c} \gamma^\mu P_L b$$

$$O_1 = [\bar{c}\gamma_\mu P_L b][\bar{d}\gamma^\mu P_L u]$$

$$O_2 = [\bar{c}^\beta \gamma_\mu P_L b_\alpha][\bar{d}^\alpha \gamma^\mu P_L u_\beta]$$

Tree level matching

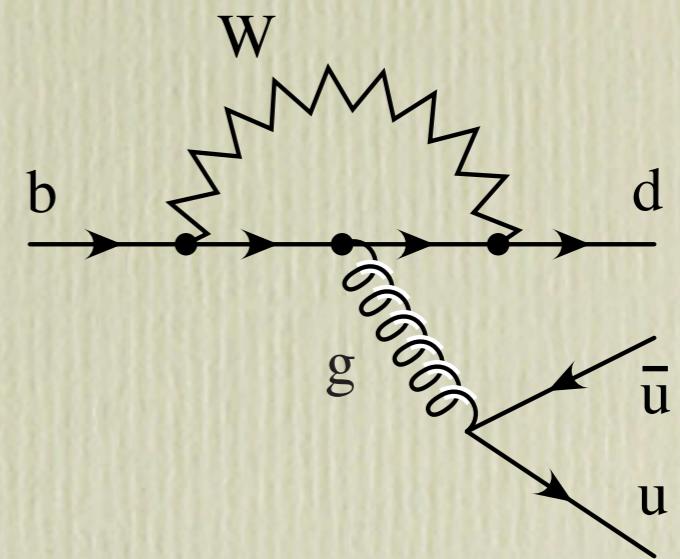
$$C_1 = 1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s(m_W))$$

$$C_2 = 0 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s(m_W))$$

**Important:** Matching is indep. of choice of states (& IR regulator) as long as same choice is made in **both** theories

We used free quark states, but result is valid for use with bound states, eg.  $B \rightarrow D\pi$

**Exercise 4:** Construct a complete basis of four quark operators in the EFT for the case where two of the flavors are the same (you can ignore the photon and Z)

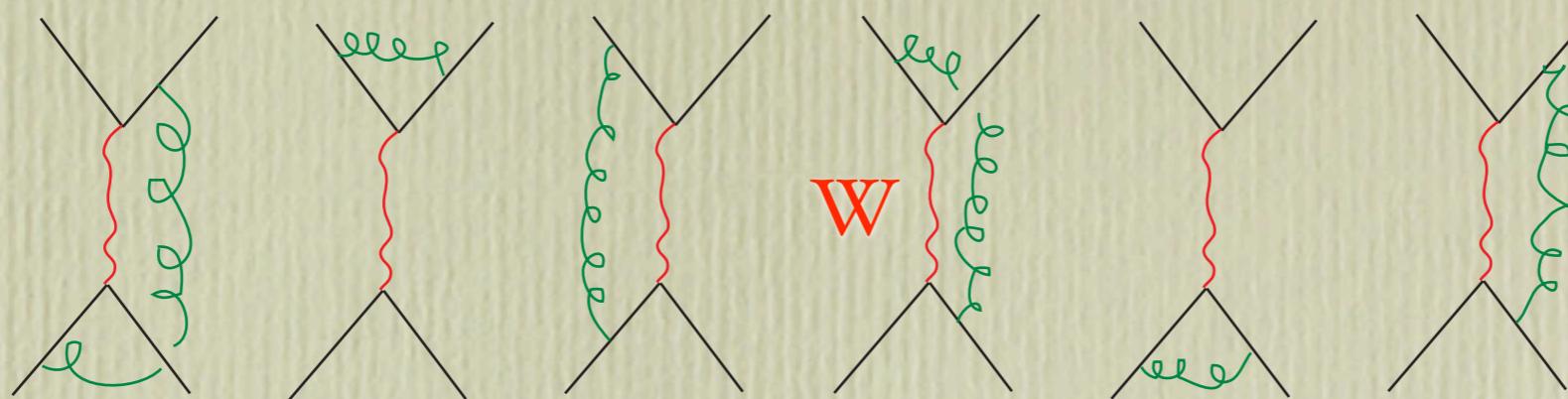


### 3) Renormalization of EFT at one-loop

(board)

## 4) Comparing matrix elements at one-loop

full theory



$$A^{\text{full}} = \left[ 1 + 2C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-p^2} \right] S_1 + \frac{3}{N_c} \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} \ln \frac{m_W^2}{-p^2} S_1 + (\text{$S_2$ terms, finite terms})$$

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- EFT computation is easier
- In EFT  $m_W \rightarrow \infty$ , so  $m_W$ 's become  $\mu$ 's (cutoffs)
- $\ln(-p^2)$  terms agree, so IR agrees (a check that EFT has right d.o.f.)

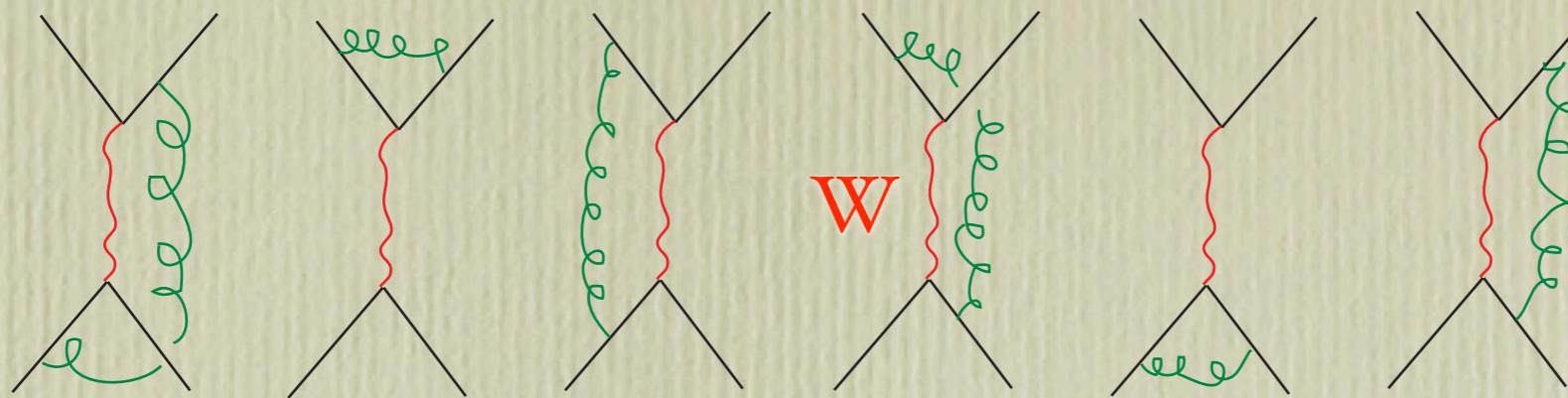
C's are determined by difference,  $A^{\text{full}} - \langle O_1 \rangle$   
and are **independent of the IR regulator**

(they do depend on the  
scheme chosen in the EFT)

$$C_i(\mu) = \# \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \ln \frac{\mu^2}{m_W^2} + \# \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}$$

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- split  $C(\mu)O(\mu)$  is full theory = short distance \* long distance

$$\ln \frac{m_W^2}{-p^2} = \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} + \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-p^2}$$

$$\left( 1 + \alpha_s \ln \frac{m_W^2}{-p^2} \right) = \left( 1 + \alpha_s \ln \frac{m_W^2}{\mu^2} \right) * \left( 1 + \alpha_s \ln \frac{\mu^2}{-p^2} \right)$$

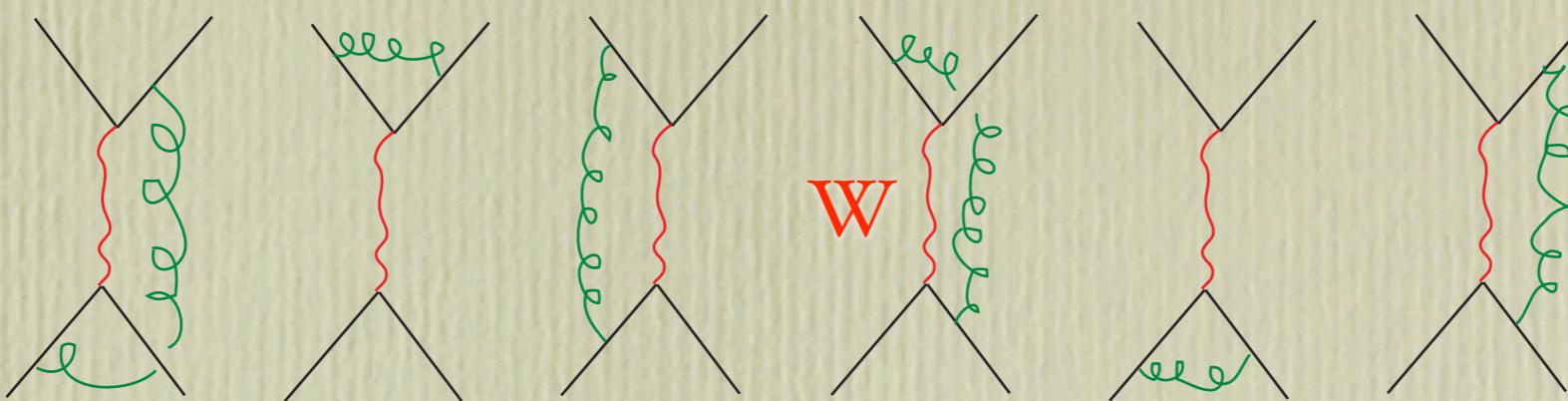
renormalization scale in EFT  
acts like a “factorization” scale

- one-loop in full theory has less information,  
ie. misses C's on RHS and no mixing through RGE

- order by order in  $\alpha_s$  the  $\ln(\mu)$ 's in  $C(\mu)$  and  $\langle O(\mu) \rangle$  cancel

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- EFT scheme dependence cancels between  $C(\mu)$  and  $\langle O(\mu) \rangle$

eg. NLL

$$C(\mu) = \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\mu)}{4\pi} J \right] \underbrace{\left( \frac{\alpha_s(m_W)}{\alpha_s(\mu)} \right)^{\frac{\gamma^{(0)}}{2\beta_0}}}_{\text{scheme independent}} \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(m_W)}{4\pi} K \right]$$

**scheme dependent**  
cancels with  $\langle O(\mu) \rangle$

**scheme independent**,  
a cancellation between  
matching and anom.dim.

# Heavy Quark Effective Theory

A low energy EFT for heavy particles that are **not** removed from the theory (static sources that perturbations can cause to wiggle)

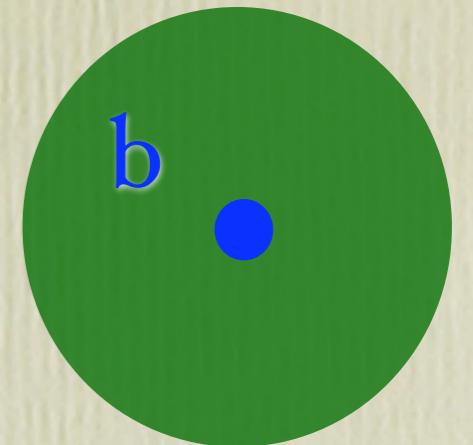
$$v^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$$

Want to describe fluctuations of heavy quark Q due to lighter degrees of freedom.

- At LO, light d.o.f. have QCD Lagrangian

- $\lim_{m_Q \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \lim_{m_Q \rightarrow \infty} \bar{Q}(iD - m_Q)Q \quad ?$

B-meson

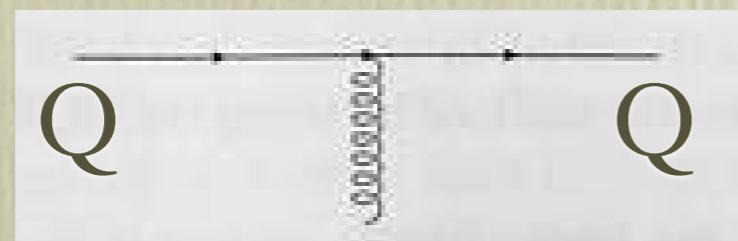


$$m_b \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$

**Propagator:**  $p^\mu = m_Q v^\mu + k^\mu \quad k^\mu \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

$$\frac{\not{p} + m_Q}{p^2 - m_Q^2 + i\epsilon} = \frac{m_Q(\not{v} + 1) + \not{k}}{2m_Q v \cdot k + k^2 + i\epsilon} = \frac{1 + \not{v}}{2} \frac{1}{v \cdot k + i\epsilon} + \mathcal{O}(1/m_Q)$$

**Vertex:**



$$\frac{(1 + \not{v})}{2} \gamma^\mu \frac{(1 + \not{v})}{2} = \underbrace{\frac{(1 + \not{v})}{2} \frac{(1 - \not{v})}{2} \gamma^\mu}_{0} + \frac{(1 + \not{v})}{2} v^\mu \rightarrow v^\mu$$

$$-ig\gamma^\mu T^A = -igv^\mu T^A$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}} = \bar{Q}_v i v \cdot D Q_v, \quad \frac{(1 + \not{v})}{2} Q_v = Q_v$$

# Direct Derivation

change variables     $Q(x) = e^{-im_Q v \cdot x} [Q_v(x) + B_v(x)]$

$$\frac{(1+\psi)}{2} Q_v = Q_v \quad \psi Q_v = Q_v$$

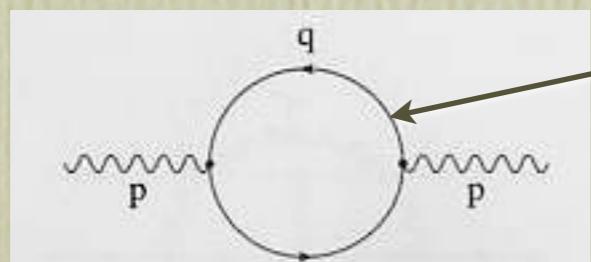
$$\frac{(1-\psi)}{2} B_v = B_v \quad \psi B_v = -B_v$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} &= [\bar{Q}_v + \bar{B}_v] e^{im_Q v \cdot x} \{ \psi i v \cdot D + i \not{D}_T - m_Q \} e^{-im_Q v \cdot x} [Q_v + B_v] \\ &= [\bar{Q}_v + \bar{B}_v] \{ (\psi - 1)m_Q + \psi i v \cdot D + i \not{D}_T \} [Q_v + B_v] \\ &= \bar{Q}_v (i v \cdot D) Q_v - \bar{B}_v (i v \cdot D + 2m_Q) B_v + \bar{Q}_v (i \not{D}_T) B_v + \bar{B}_v (i \not{D}_T) Q_v\end{aligned}$$

So far we've done nothing to QCD

- Take  $Q_v$  external particles, then as  $m_Q \rightarrow \infty$  the  $B_v$  particles (ie. anti-particles) decouple

$$\frac{1+\gamma_0}{2} U_{\text{Dirac}} = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_v \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



offshell by  $2m_Q$

Surviving term is HQET  
Lagrangian at LO

## Comments

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}} = \bar{Q}_v i v \cdot D Q_v , \quad \frac{(1+\not{v})}{2} Q_v = Q_v$$

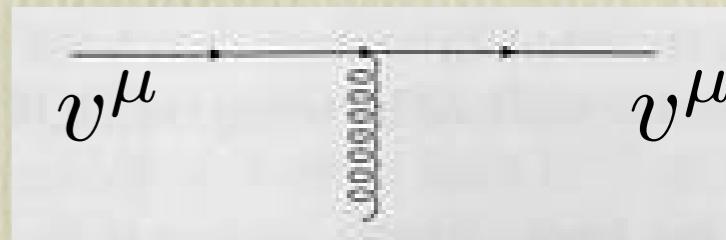
- 1) Antiparticles are integrated out, number of heavy quarks is preserved, a U(1) symmetry
- 2) Heavy Quark Spin-Flavor Symmetry  $U(2 N_Q)$ 
  - no flavor ( $m_Q$ ) dependence
  - no dependence on remaining two spin components
- 3) Velocity  $v^\mu$  is preserved by low energy QCD interactions  
“velocity superselection rule”
- 4) Power Counting in  $1/m_Q$  is now simple!

$$Q_v(x) \sim e^{-ik \cdot x} \quad i\partial^\mu Q_v(x) \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}} Q_v(x)$$

all powers of  $1/m_Q$  appear in prefactors

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}}^{(0)} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m_Q^n} \mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}}^{(n)}$$

$$J_{\text{HQET}} = J_{\text{HQET}}^{(0)} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m_Q^n} J_{\text{HQET}}^{(n)}$$



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \bar{Q}_v(i v \cdot D) Q_v - \bar{B}_v(i v \cdot D + 2m_Q) B_v + \bar{Q}_v(i \not{D}_T) B_v + \bar{B}_v(i \not{D}_T) Q_v$$

Integrating out the quadratic  $B_v$  field at tree level:

$$\frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \bar{B}_v} = 0 \quad B_v = \frac{1}{(iv \cdot D + 2m_Q)} i \not{D}_T Q_v$$

$$(iv \cdot D + 2m_Q) B_v = i \not{D}_T Q_v$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{HQET}} = \bar{Q}_v(i v \cdot D) Q_v - \frac{c_k}{2m_Q} \bar{Q}_v D_T^2 Q_v - \frac{c_F}{4m_Q} \bar{Q}_v g \sigma_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} Q_v + \dots$$

kinetic                      chromomagnetic

- 6) This was tree level. If we use symmetry instead we find the same two operators but with Wilson coefficients:

Power counting, Gauge symmetry, Discrete,  
Lorentz invariance (?)

$$c_k = 1$$



in rest frame, have rotations,  
but boosts are broken by  
 $v^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$

Restored by a **Reparameterization Invariance** (board)

# Applications

- Spectroscopy

$$m_B = m_b + \bar{\Lambda} - \frac{\lambda_1}{2m_b} - \frac{3\lambda_2(m_b)}{2m_b} \quad (\text{board})$$

$$m_{B^*} = m_b + \bar{\Lambda} - \frac{\lambda_1}{2m_b} + \frac{\lambda_2(m_b)}{2m_b}$$

$$m_D = m_c + \bar{\Lambda} - \frac{\lambda_1}{2m_c} - \frac{3\lambda_2(m_c)}{2m_c}$$

$$m_{D^*} = m_c + \bar{\Lambda} - \frac{\lambda_1}{2m_c} + \frac{\lambda_2(m_c)}{2m_c}$$

- Form factor relations in Exclusive Decays (next,board)

eg.  $J^{\text{QCD}}(0) = \bar{q}\Gamma Q = \bar{q}\Gamma Q_v$  “=”  $\text{tr}(X \Gamma \mathcal{H}_v)$

where  $\mathcal{H}_v \equiv \frac{(1+\not{v})}{2} [P_{v\mu}^* \gamma^\mu + i P_v \gamma_5]$  under HQS  $Q_v \rightarrow D(R)Q_v$   
 $\mathcal{H}_v \rightarrow D(R)\mathcal{H}_v$

- Perturbative Corrections (board)

- Inclusive Decays

$$B \rightarrow X_c \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell$$

$$\Gamma = c^{(0)} + \frac{0}{m_b} + c^{(2a)} \frac{\lambda_1}{m_b^2} + c^{(2b)} \frac{\lambda_2}{m_b^2} + \dots$$

eg.  $B \rightarrow D e \bar{\nu}$ ,  $M_W^2 \gg m_b^2 \gg \Lambda^2$

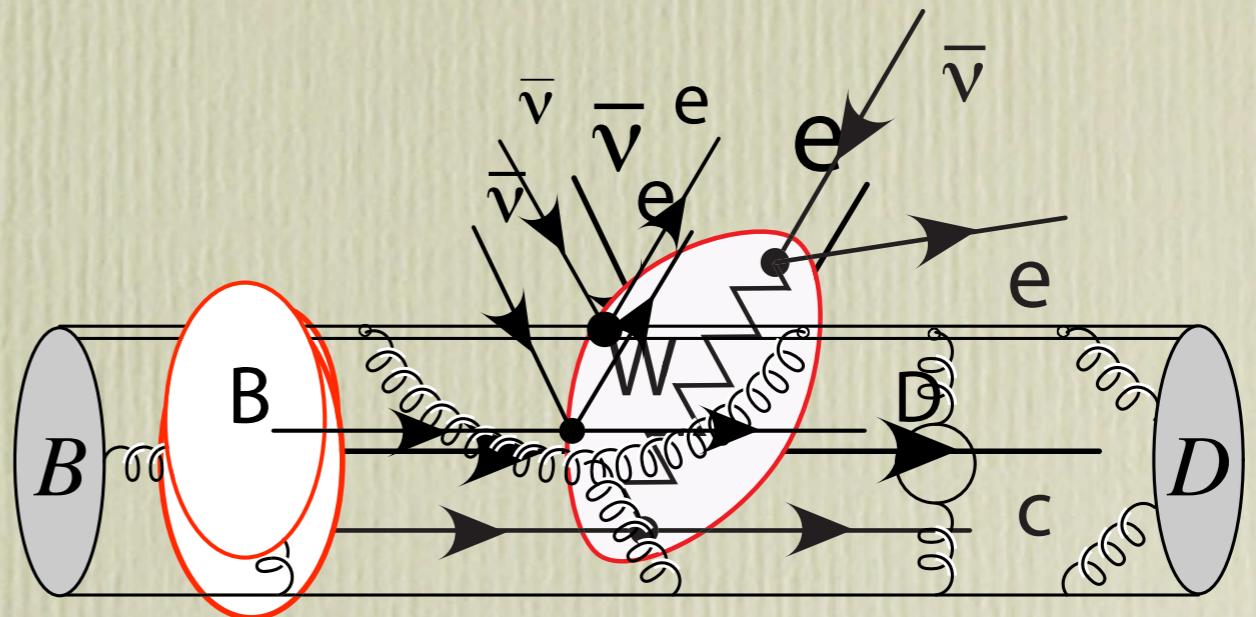
expansion  
parameters

$$\frac{m_b^2}{m_W^2} \simeq \frac{1}{250}, \quad \alpha_s(m_b) \simeq 0.2, \quad \frac{\Lambda}{m_b} \simeq 0.1$$

## 4) Short Distance

$\mu \lesssim M_W \approx 80 \text{ GeV}$

gluons perturbative



# Non-relativistic QCD

# Systems with Two Heavy Particles

eg.

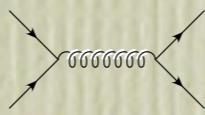
$e^+e^-$	$\rightarrow$	positronium	(NRQED)
$pe^-$	$\rightarrow$	Hydrogen	(NRQED)
$b\bar{b}, c\bar{c}$	$\rightarrow$	$\Upsilon, J/\Psi$	(NRQCD)
$t\bar{t}$	$\rightarrow$	$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	(NRQCD)
$NN$	$\rightarrow$	deuteron	(few nucleon EFT)

- $E = p^2/(2m) \sim v^2$ , count powers of  $v$  (and  $\alpha_s$ )

treat  $mv^2 \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

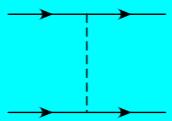
## Momentum Regions

	$\underline{k}^0$	$\underline{k}$
hard:	$m$	$m$



integrate these out

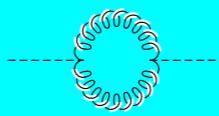
potential:	$mv^2$	$mv$
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ptnl gluons are not propagating

$\psi, \chi$

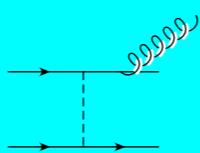
soft:	$mv$	$mv$
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radiative corrections, binding

$A_s^\mu, q_s$

ultrasoft:	$mv^2$	$mv^2$
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need multipole expansion

$A_{us}^\mu$

$\mathcal{O}(v^0)$  Kinetic Terms give

potential quarks  
soft gluons  
ultrasoft gluons

$\psi, \chi \sim v^{3/2}$   
 $A_s^\mu \sim v$  (scale  $\mu_S$ )  
 $A_{us}^\mu \sim v^2$  (scale  $\mu_U$ )

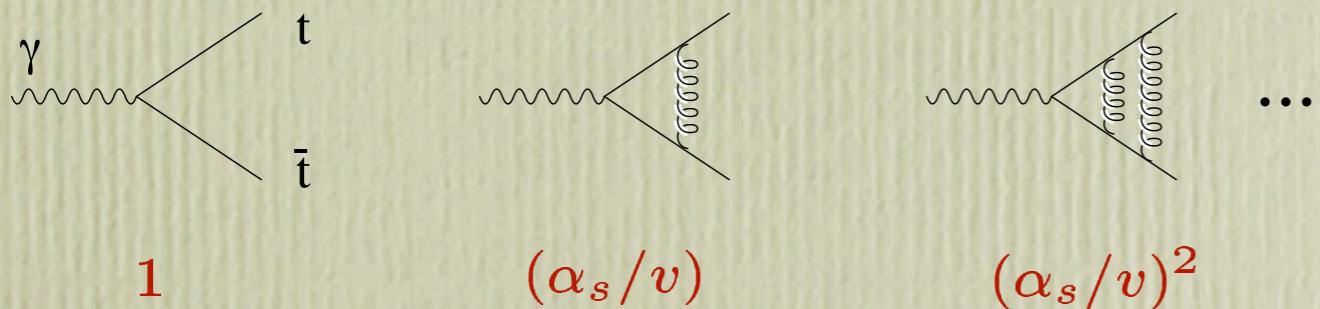
(board)

- Can associate all powers of  $v$  with vertices

$$\delta = 5 + \sum_k (k - 5)V_k^P + (k - 8)V_k^U + (k - 4)V_k^S - N_s$$

- Power counting of operators implies power counting of states

Coulombic Singularities  $\implies$  sum insertions of  $V_c$



Coulombic:  $v \sim \alpha_s$

Want an expansion:

$$\sum_n \left( \frac{\alpha_s}{v} \right)^n \left[ 1, \{v, \alpha_s\}, \{v^2, \alpha_s v, \alpha_s^2\}, \dots \right]$$

LO      NLO      NNLO

# Simplify p.c. and Implement multipole expansion

$$\triangleright P = (m, \mathbf{0}) + \mathbf{p} + k$$

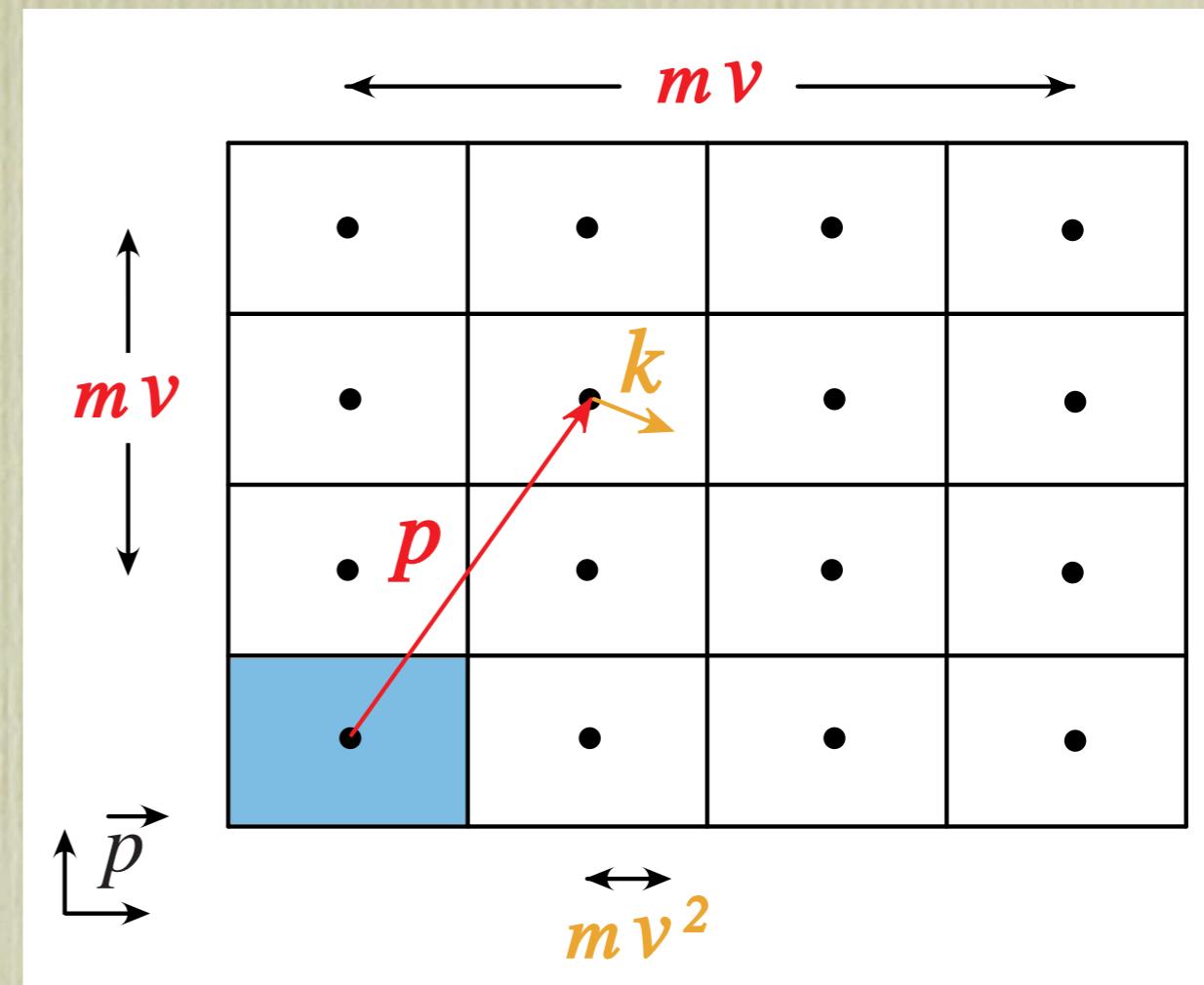
$$m \quad mv \quad mv^2$$

$\triangleright \mathbf{p}$  index

$\triangleright k = (k^0, \mathbf{k})$  continuous

$$\psi(x) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \psi_{\mathbf{p}}(x)$$

$$i\partial^\mu \psi_{\mathbf{p}}(x) \sim (mv^2)\psi_{\mathbf{p}}(x)$$



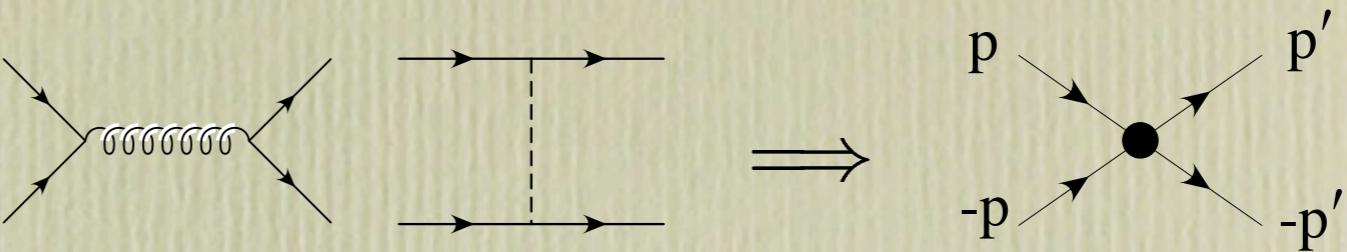
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(discussion)

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{NRQCD}} = \mathcal{L}^{\text{ultrasoft}} + \mathcal{L}^{\text{potential}} + \mathcal{L}^{\text{soft}}$$

# Potentials



$$\mathcal{L} = - \sum_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}'} V(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}') \psi_{\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger \psi_{\mathbf{p}} \chi_{-\mathbf{p}'}^\dagger \chi_{-\mathbf{p}} \quad (\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{p}' - \mathbf{p})$$

$$V^{(-1)} = \frac{\mathcal{V}_c}{\mathbf{k}^2} \quad \text{Coulomb: } k=4, \quad k-1 = -1 \quad V_4^p = 1$$

$$V^{(0)} = \frac{\mathcal{V}_k \pi^2}{m|\mathbf{k}|}$$

$$\delta = 5 + \sum_k (k-5)V_k^P + (k-8)V_k^U + (k-4)V_k^S - N_s$$

Ultrasoft Lagrangian

(board)

$$\delta = 5 + \sum_k (k-5)V_k^P + (k-8)V_k^U + (k-4)V_k^S - N_s$$

# Renormalization

$$\mu = m \rightarrow mv \rightarrow mv^2 ?$$

- problematic since scales are coupled,  $E = p^2/m$
- $E \lesssim \Lambda \leftrightarrow p \lesssim \sqrt{m\Lambda}$

Power counting implies  $mv^2 \leftrightarrow mv$  correlation

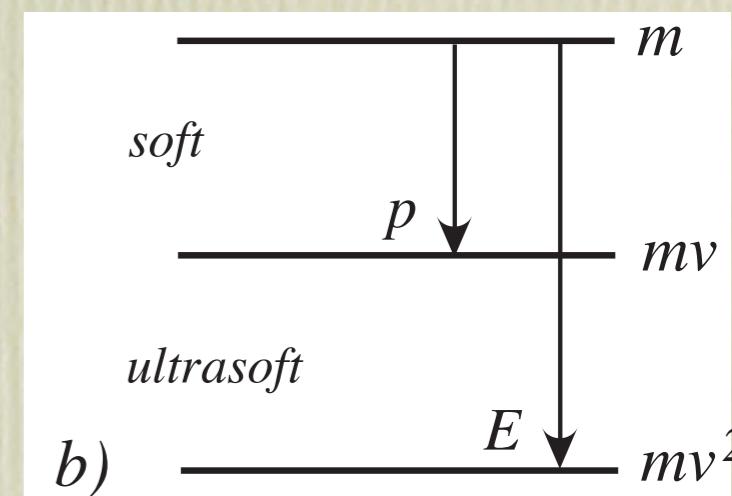
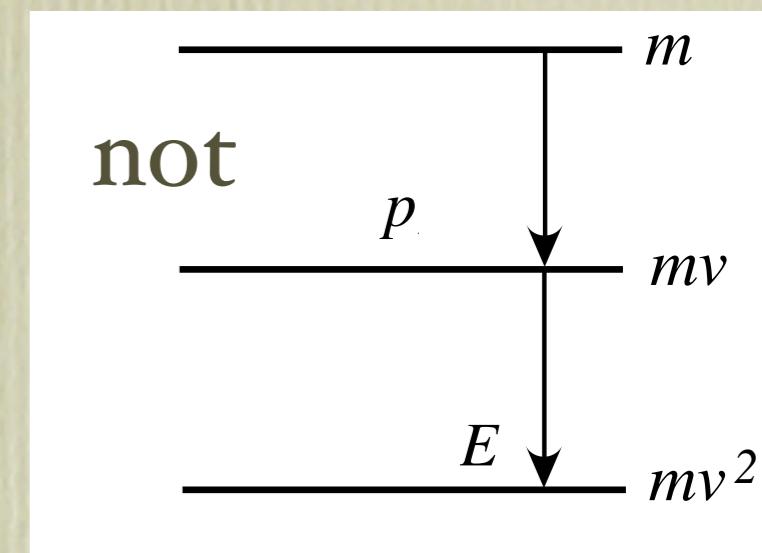
in dimensional regularization

- $\psi \sim (mv)^{3/2-\epsilon}$ ,  $A_s^\mu \sim (mv)^{1-\epsilon}$ ,  $A_{us}^\mu \sim (mv^2)^{1-\epsilon}$
- implies we need  $\mu_U = \mu_S^2/m \sim mv^2$ , so take  $\mu_U = mv^2$ ,  $\mu_S = mv$
- uniquely fixes powers of  $\mu_U$ ,  $\mu_S$  in operators

run:  $\nu = 1 \rightarrow v_0 \sim v$

Why bother?

- renormalize the field theory consistently
- would like to know at what scales to evaluate coefficients,  $\alpha_s(m)$ ,  $\alpha_s(mv)$ ,  $\alpha_s(mv^2)$  + others: currents  $c_{1,2}$ , potentials  $\mathcal{V}_i$
- equivalent to summing logs  $\alpha_s \ln \left( \frac{m}{mv} \right)$ ,  $\alpha_s \ln \left( \frac{m}{mv^2} \right)$



## eg. Logs in Binding energies

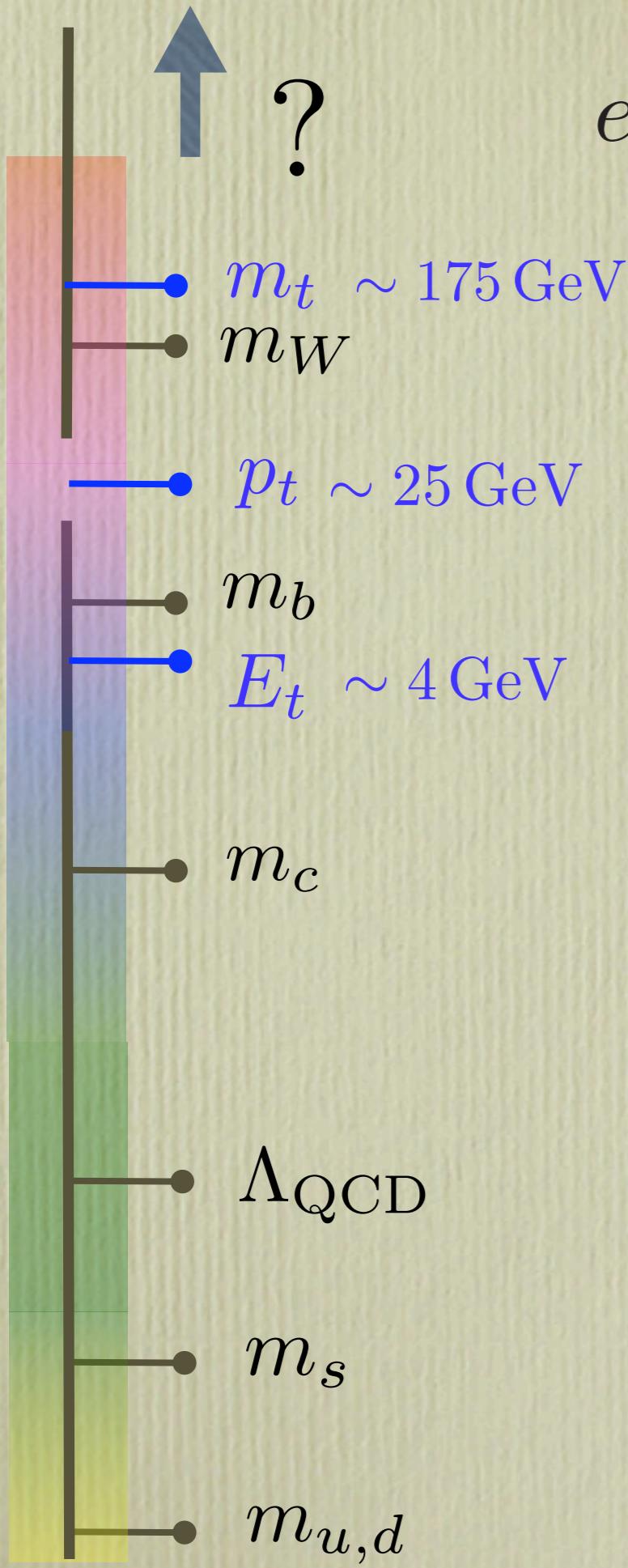
$$\nu \frac{d}{d\nu} = \mu_S \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_S} + 2\mu_U \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_U}$$

LL anomalous dimension  $\alpha^4(\alpha \ln \alpha)^k$

NLL anomalous dimension  $\alpha^5(\alpha \ln \alpha)^k$

$\alpha^8 \ln^3 \alpha$	Lamb    $\alpha^4 \ln^3 \alpha$	$H$  $\mu^+ e^-$ , $e^+ e^-$ (no h.f.s.) (no $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma$ )	agree*
$\alpha^7 \ln^2 \alpha$	Lamb	$H$ , $\mu^+ e^-$ , $e^+ e^-$	agree
	h.f.s.	$H$ , $\mu^+ e^-$ , $e^+ e^-$	agree
	$\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma$	$e^+ e^-$ ortho and para	agree
$\alpha^6 \ln \alpha$	Lamb	$H$ , $\mu^+ e^-$ , $e^+ e^-$	agree
	h.f.s.	$H$ , $\mu^+ e^-$ , $e^+ e^-$	agree
	$\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma$	$e^+ e^-$ ortho and para	agree
$\alpha^2 \ln \alpha$			

- Notation:  $\mu^+ e^-$  indicates agreement for  $1/m_\mu$  (recoil) terms



$$e^+ e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$

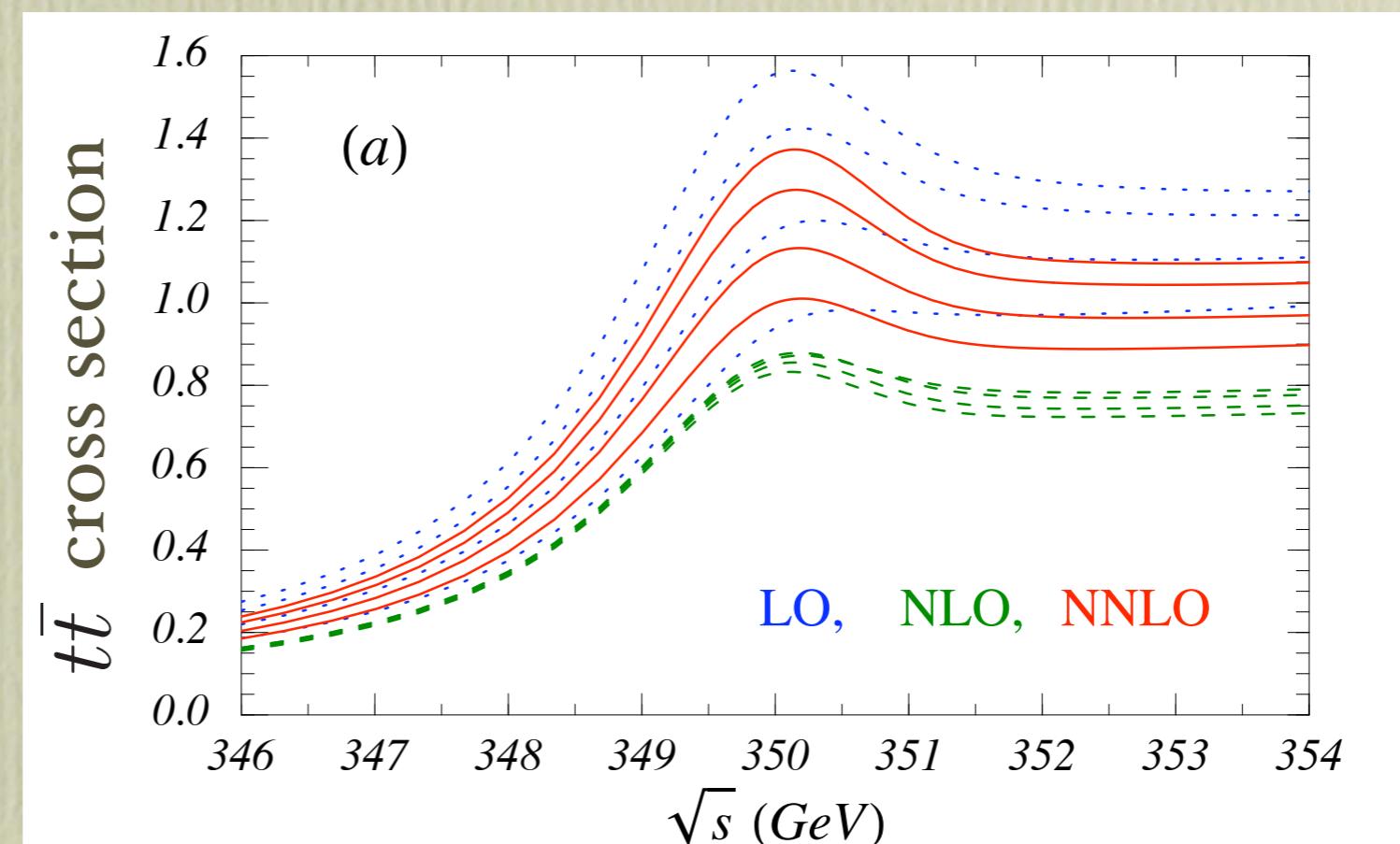
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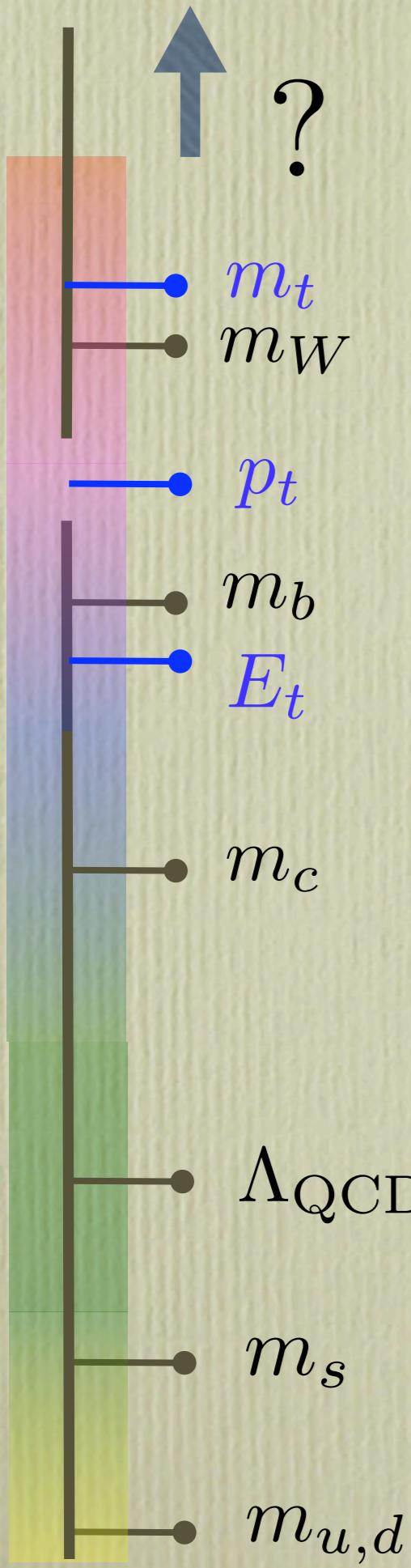
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Coulombic, expansion in  $\alpha_s(\mu)$ :

$$\text{LO} + \text{NLO} + \text{NNLO} + \dots$$



$\mu = m_t, p_t, E_t?$



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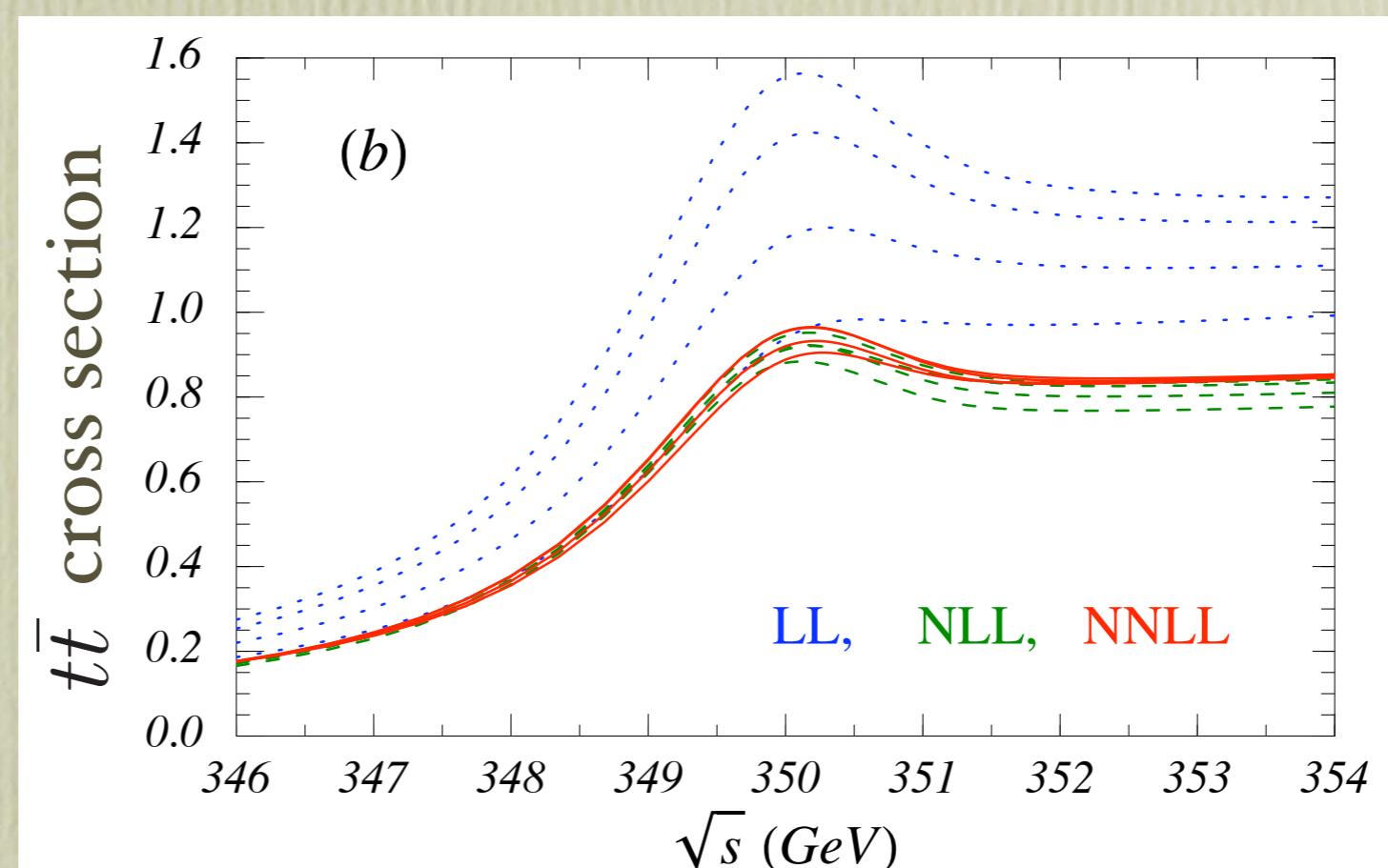
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$$\mu \frac{d}{d\mu} C_i(\mu) = \dots$$

Determine the  
right scales



$m_t, y_t, \Gamma_t$

vary  
 $\mu$