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# The Chiral Magnetic Effect and Local Parity Violation

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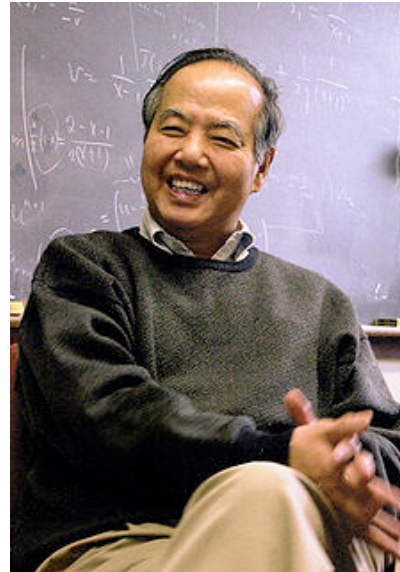
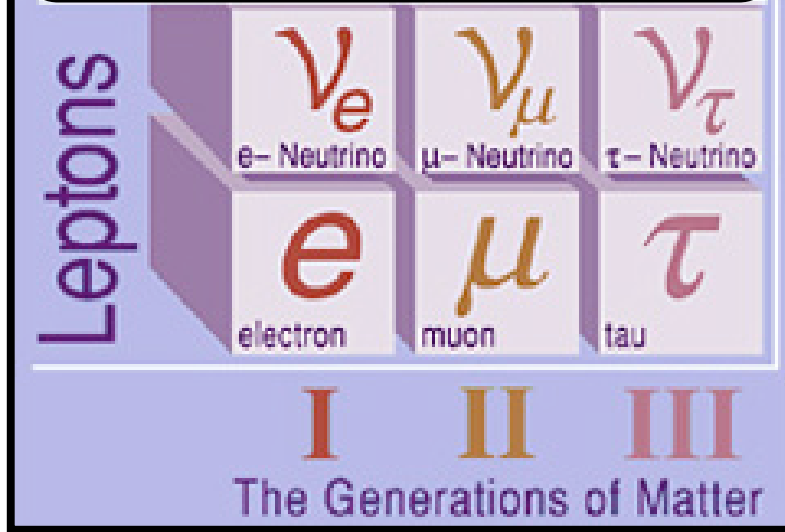
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Since the beginning of physics, **symmetry considerations** have provided us with an extremely powerful and useful tool in our effort to understand nature. Gradually they **have become the backbone of our theoretical formulation of physical laws.**

T.D. Lee

# P and CP invariances are violated by weak interactions

What about  
strong interactions?



T.D.Lee



C.N.Yang

1957

CP violation J.W.Cronin, V.L.Fitch



1980

Complex CKM mass matrix

Y. Nambu, M. Kobayashi, T. Maskawa



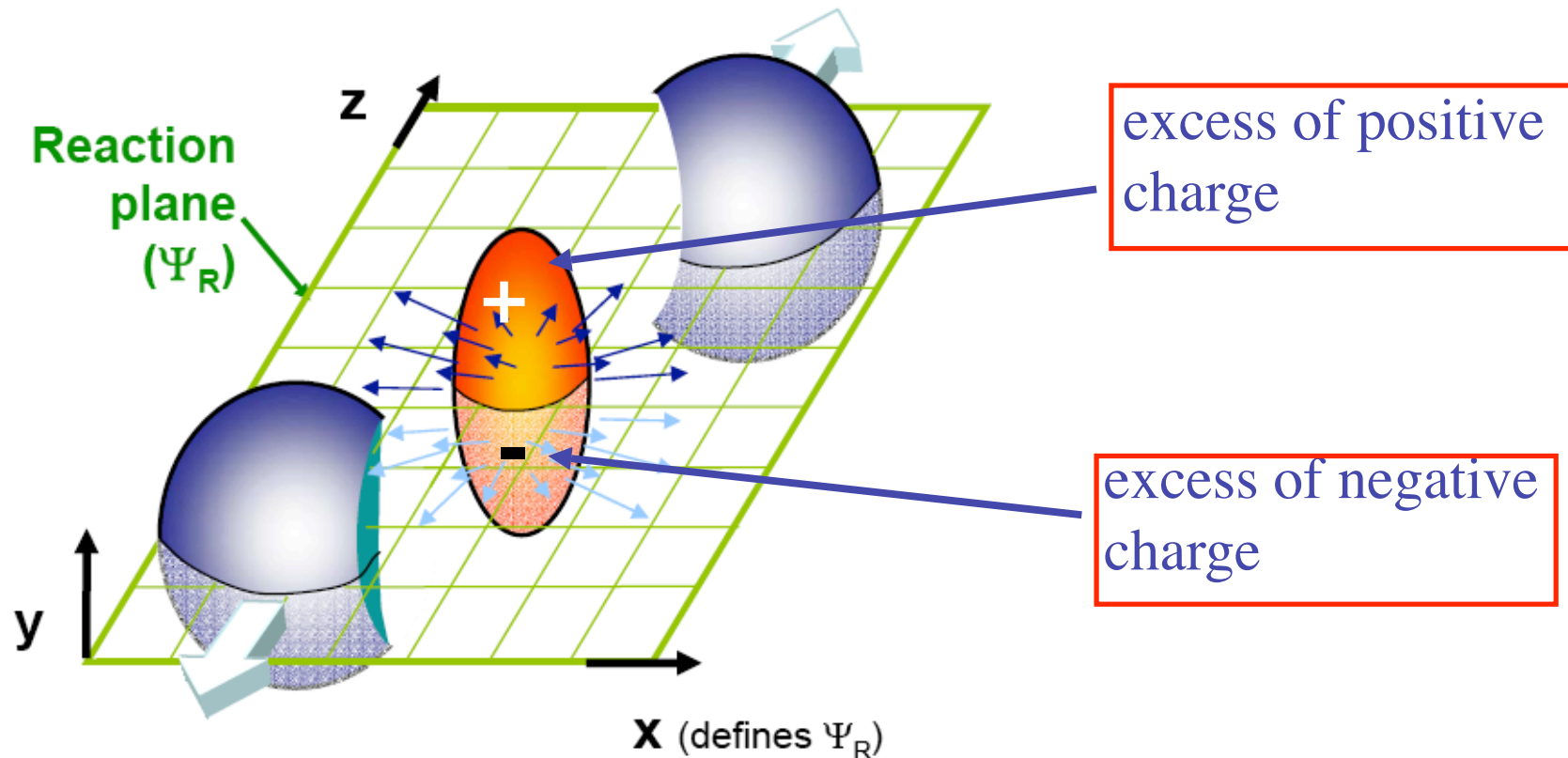
2008

Very strict experimental limits exist on the amount of global violation of P and CP invariances in strong interactions (mostly from electric dipole moments)

But: P and CP conservation in QCD is by no means a trivial issue...

Can a local P and CP violation occur in QCD matter?

# Charge asymmetry w.r.t. reaction plane as a signature of strong P violation

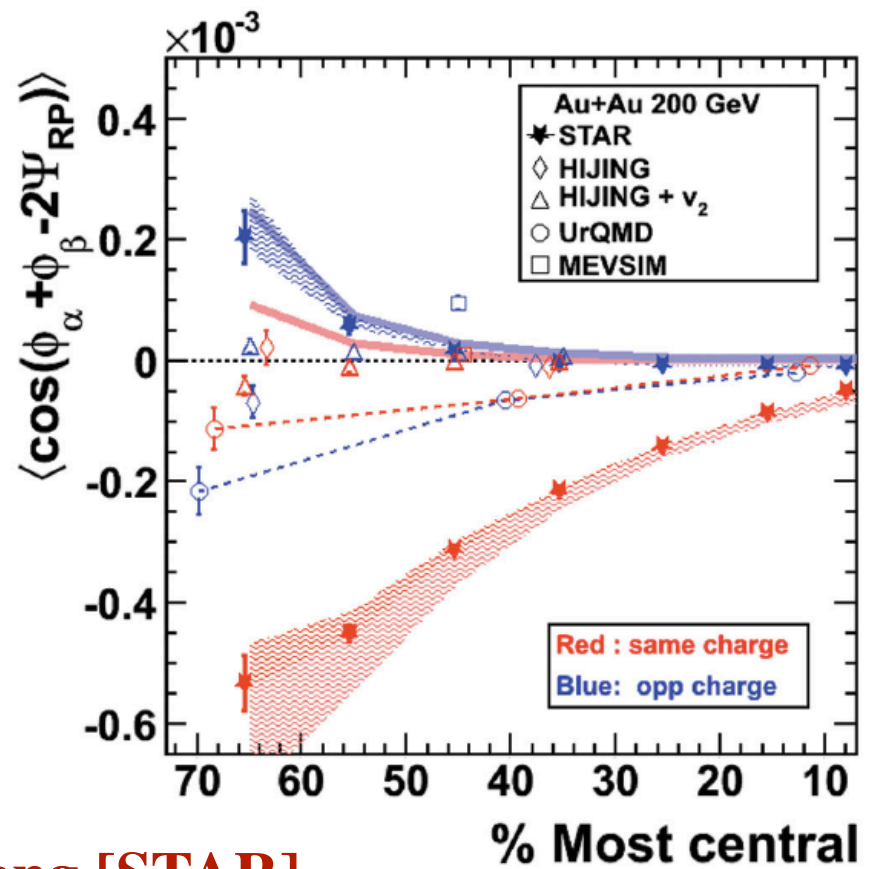
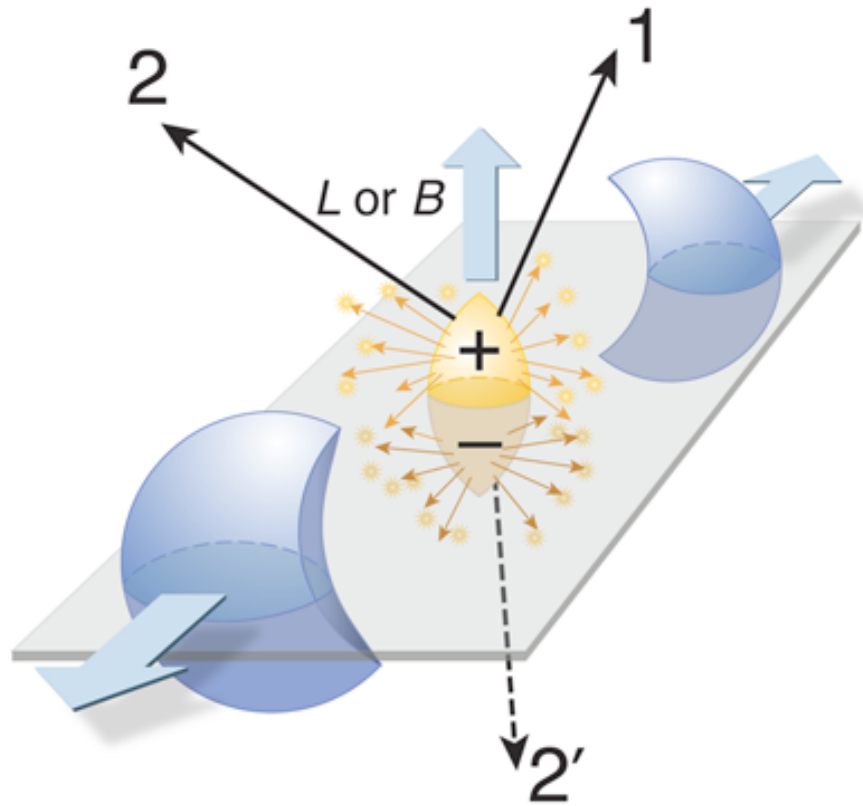


**Electric dipole moment of QCD matter!**



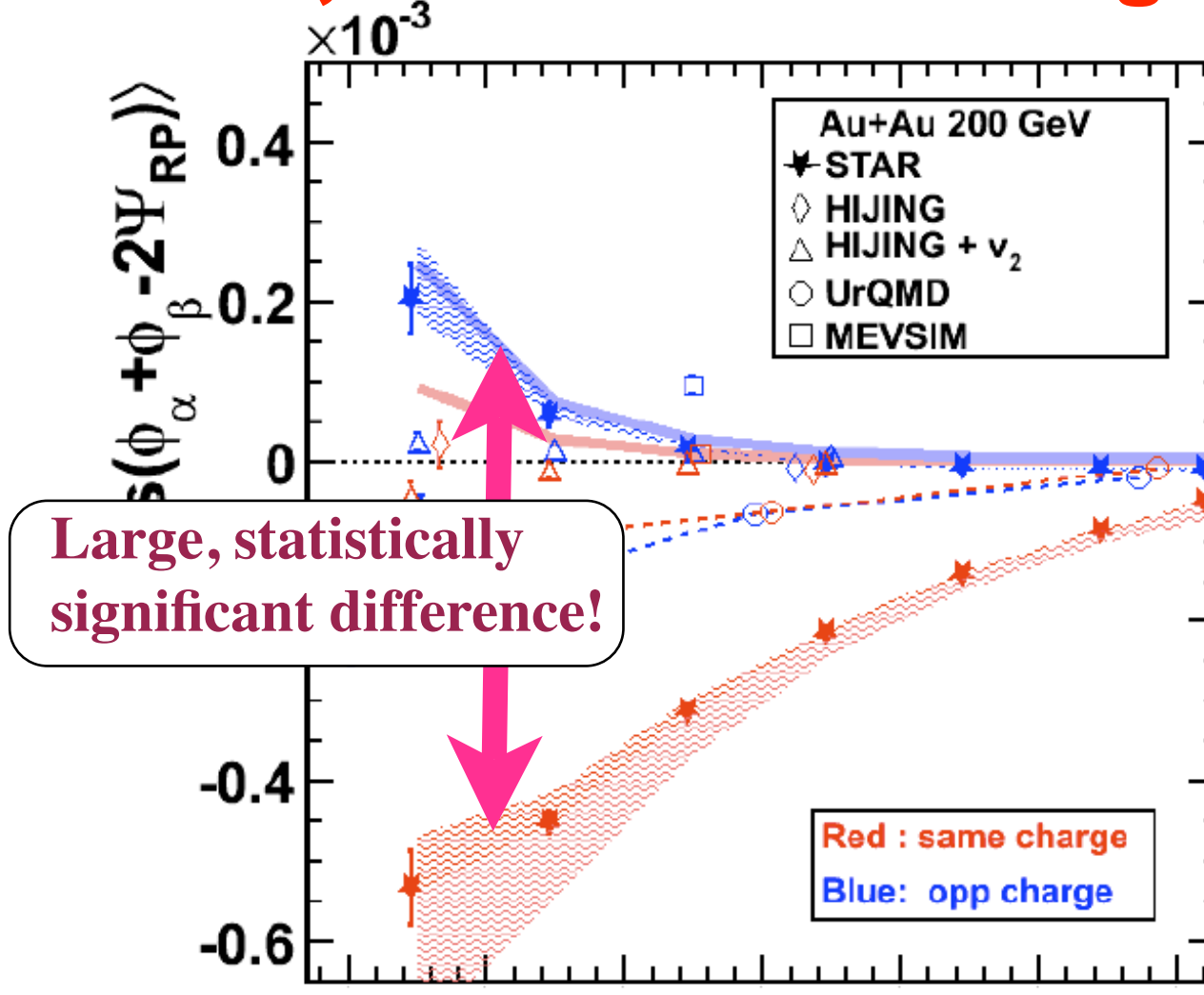
Azimuthal Charged-Particle Correlations and Possible Local Strong Parity Violation

(STAR Collaboration)



Talks by S. Voloshin and G. Wang [STAR]

# Local P, CP violation at high T ?



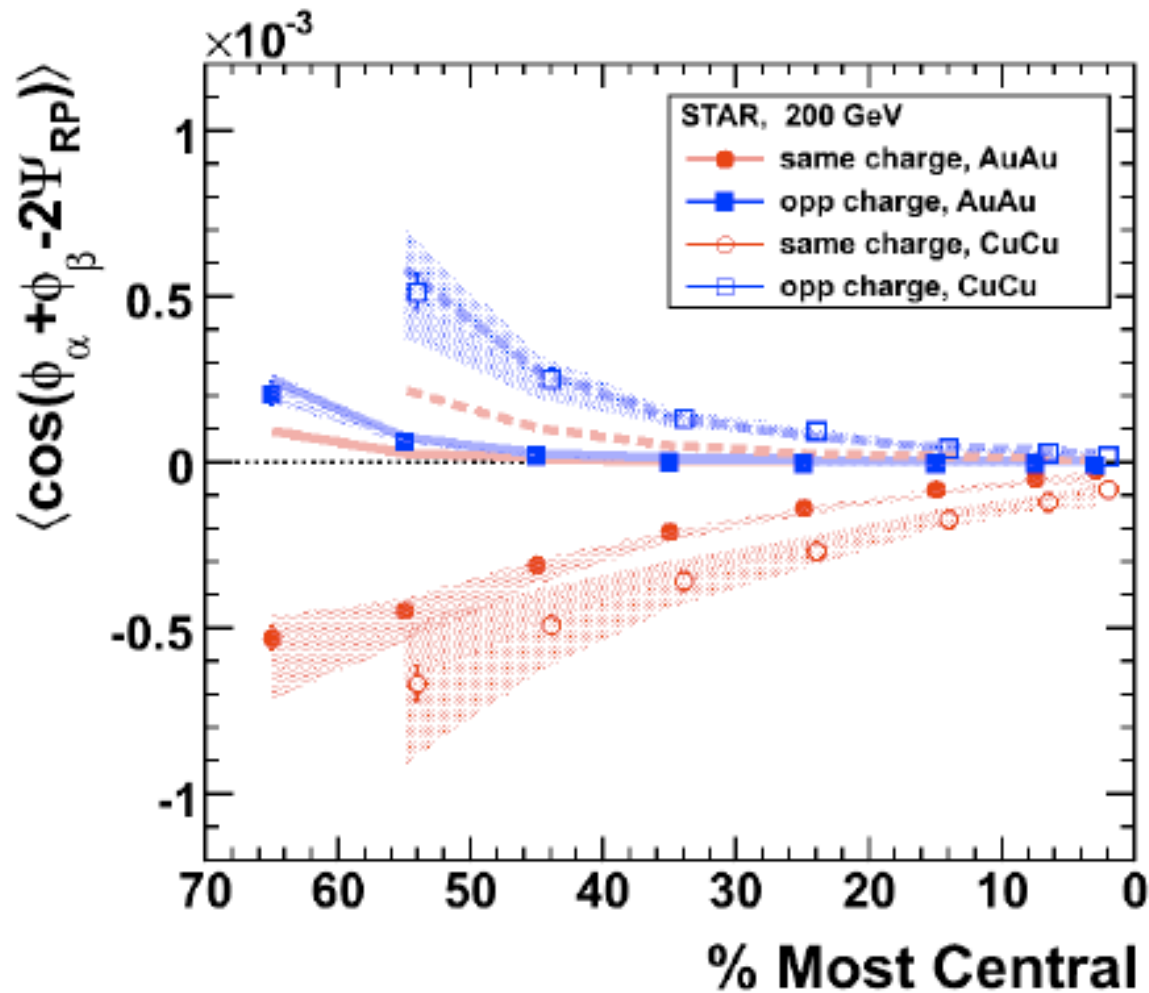
Large, statistically significant difference!

Talks by  
S. Voloshin,  
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[STAR Coll.]



# Stronger opposite-charge correlations in CuCu (less absorption?)

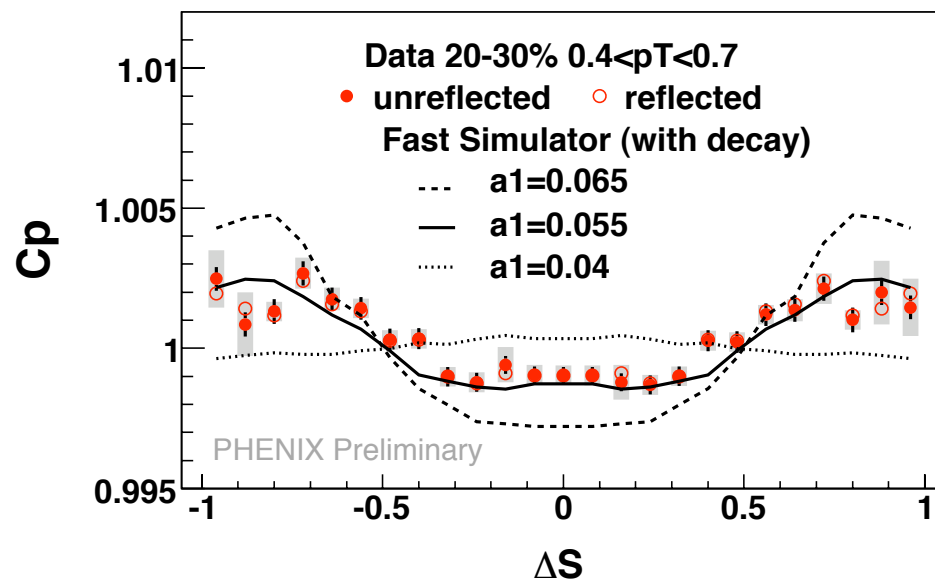
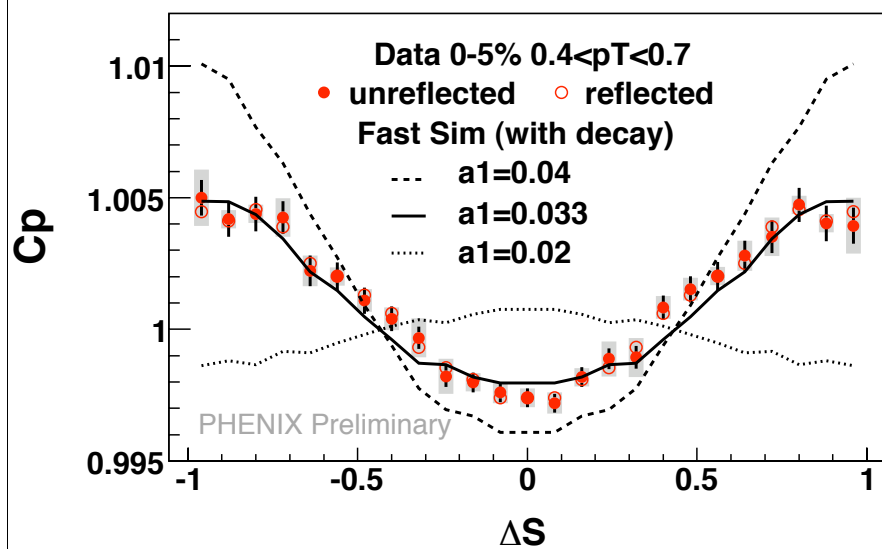


STAR Coll.,  
arXiv:0909.1717

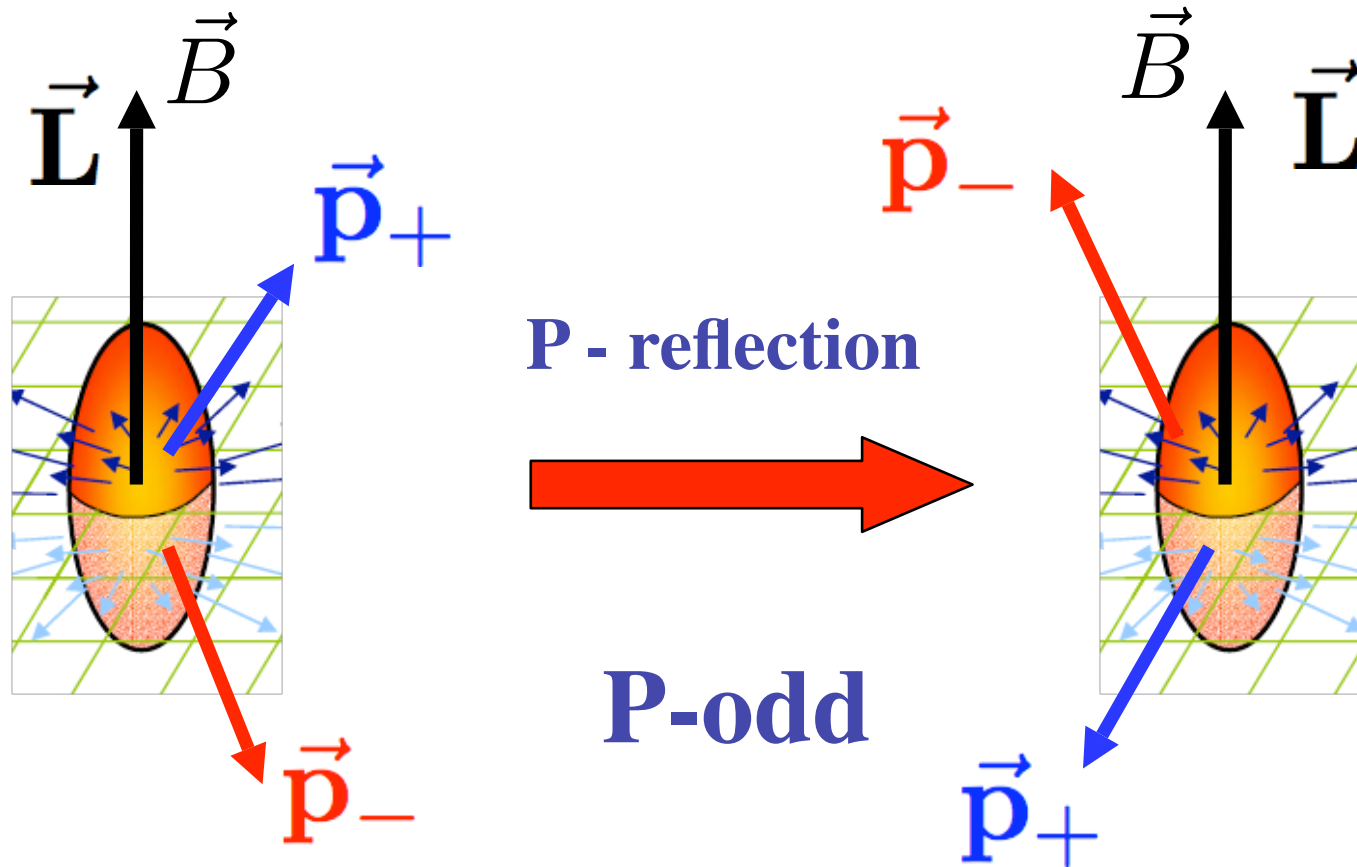


# The PHENIX result

talk by N. Ajitanand, Dec 17

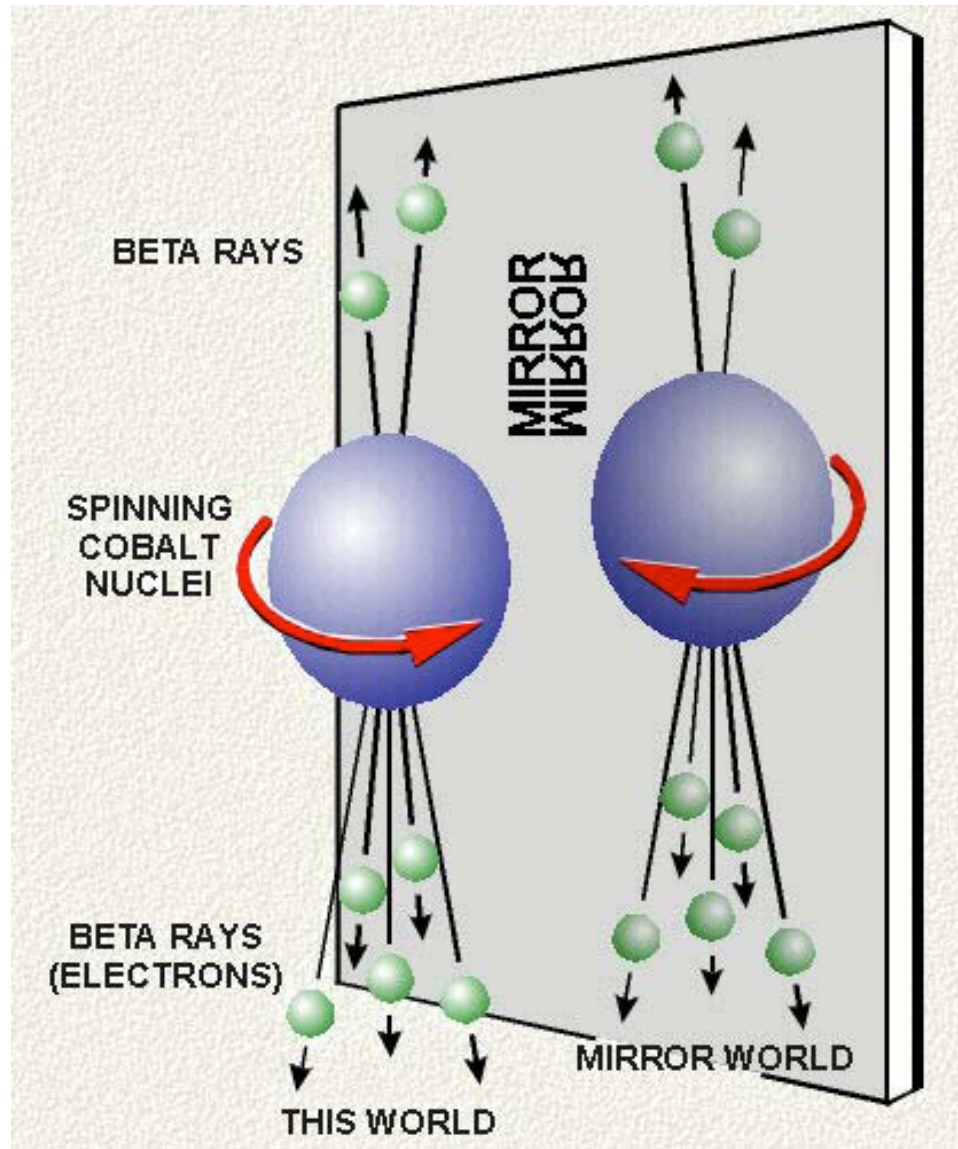
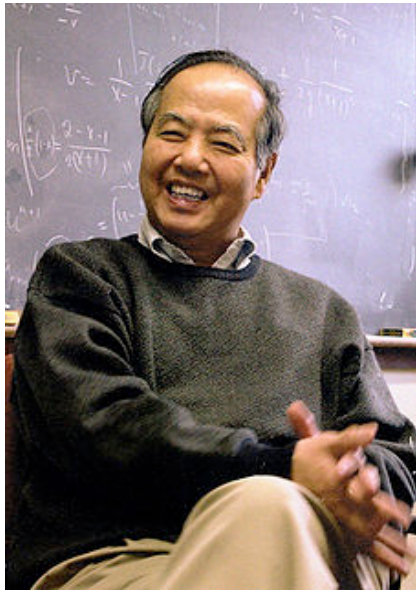


# Charge separation = parity violation:



$$\mathcal{P} : \quad \vec{p} \rightarrow -\vec{p}; \quad \vec{B} \rightarrow \vec{B}; \quad \vec{L} \rightarrow \vec{L}$$

# Analogy to P violation in weak interactions



C.S. Wu, 1912-1997

**BUT:**  
the sign of  
the asymmetry  
fluctuates  
event by event

# Characteristic forms and geometric invariants

By SHIING-SHEN CHERN AND JAMES SIMONS\*

Annals of  
Mathematics,  
1974

## 1. Introduction

This work, originally announced in [4], grew out of an attempt to derive a purely combinatorial formula for the first Pontrjagin number of a 4-manifold. The hope was that by integrating the characteristic curvature form (with respect to some Riemannian metric) simplex by simplex, and replacing the integral over each interior by another on the boundary, one could evaluate these boundary integrals, add up over the triangulation, and have the geometry wash out, leaving the sought after combinatorial formula. This process got stuck by the emergence of a boundary term which did not yield to a simple combinatorial analysis. The boundary term seemed interesting in its own right and it and its generalization are the subject of this paper.

# Chern-Simons forms



## 6. Applications to 3-manifolds

In this section  $M$  will denote a compact, oriented, Riemannian 3-manifold, and  $F(M) \xrightarrow{\pi} M$  will denote its  $SO(3)$  oriented frame bundle equipped with the Riemannian connection  $\theta$  and curvature tensor  $\Omega$ . For  $A, B$  skew symmetric matrices, the specific formula for  $P_1$  shows  $P_1(A \otimes B) = -(1/8\pi^2) \text{tr } AB$ . Calculating from (3.5) shows

$$6.1) \quad TP_1(\theta) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \{ \theta_{12} \wedge \theta_{13} \wedge \theta_{23} + \theta_{12} \wedge \Omega_{12} + \theta_{13} \wedge \Omega_{13} + \theta_{23} \wedge \Omega_{23} \} .$$

What does it mean for a gauge theory?

# Chern-Simons theory

## CHARACTERISTIC FORMS

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What does it mean for a gauge theory?

Geometry

Physics

Riemannian connection

Gauge field

Curvature tensor

Field strength tensor

$$S_{CS} = \frac{k}{8\pi} \int_M d^3x \epsilon^{ijk} \left( A_i F_{jk} + \frac{2}{3} A_i [A_j, A_k] \right)$$

Abelian

non-Abelian

# Chern-Simons theory

$$S_{CS} = \frac{k}{8\pi} \int_M d^3x \epsilon^{ijk} \left( A_i F_{jk} + \frac{2}{3} A_i [A_j, A_k] \right)$$

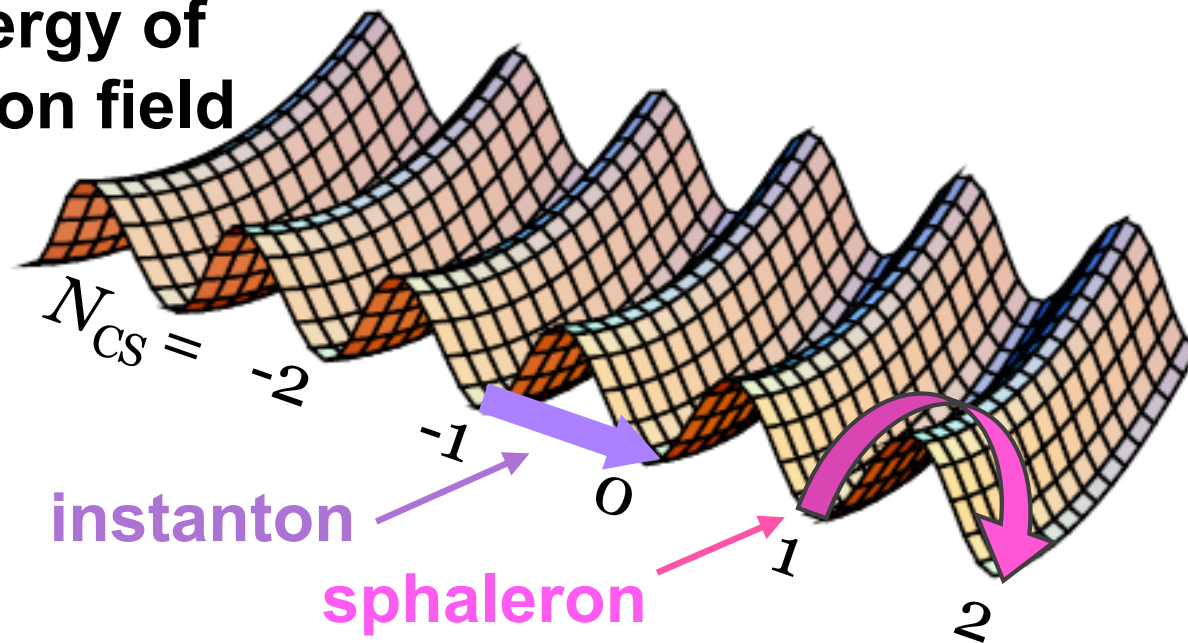
## Remarkable novel properties:

- gauge invariant, up to a boundary term
- topological - does not depend on the metric, knows only about the topology of space-time  $M$
- when added to Maxwell action, induces a mass for the gauge boson - different from the Higgs mechanism!
- **breaks Parity invariance**

# Topology in QCD

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{2} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \langle (q(x)q(0) + q(0)q(x)) \rangle d^4x$$

**Energy of  
gluon field**

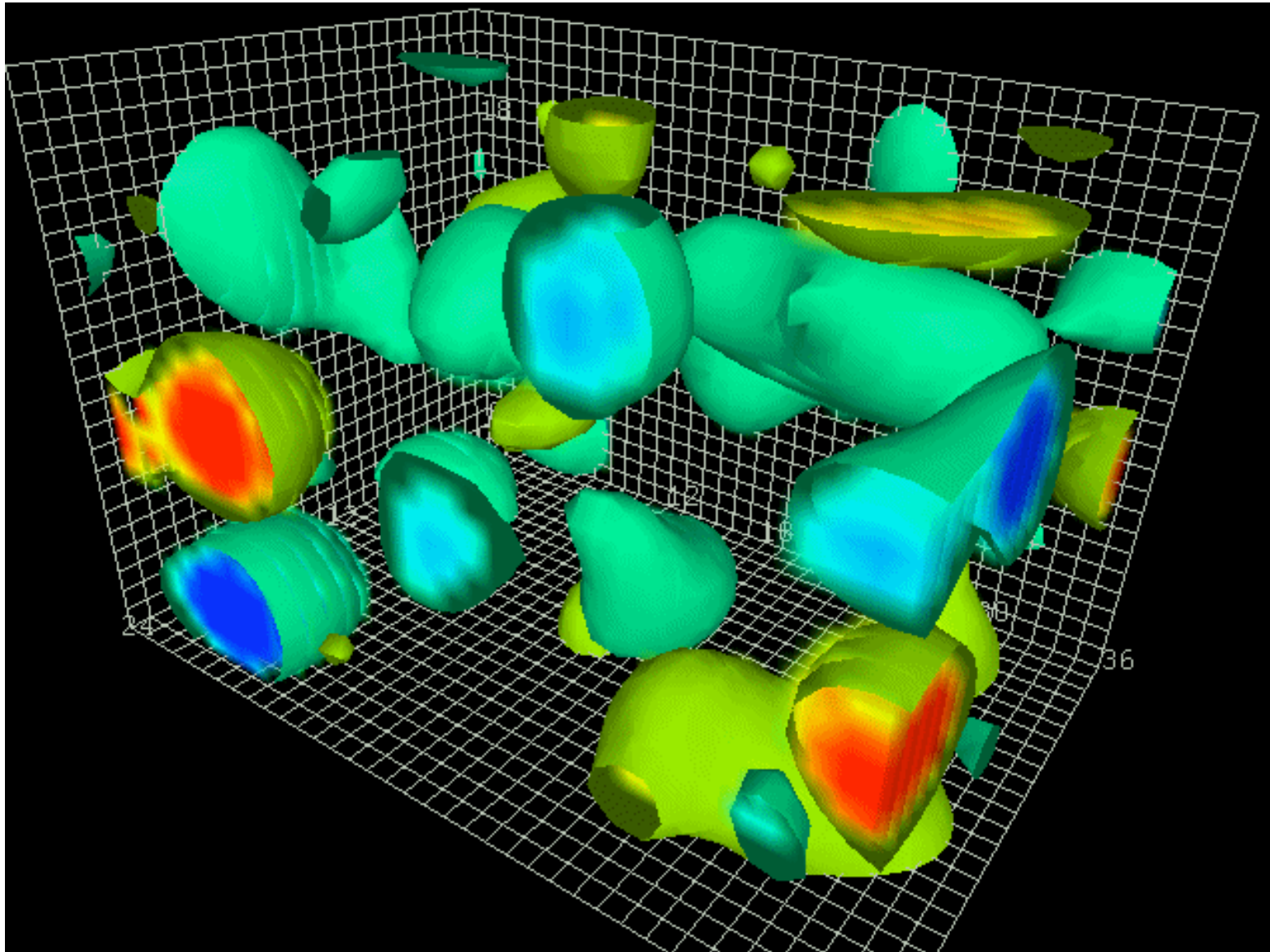


Sphalerons:  
random walk of  
topological charge at finite T:

$$\langle Q^2 \rangle = 2\Gamma V t, \quad t \rightarrow \infty$$

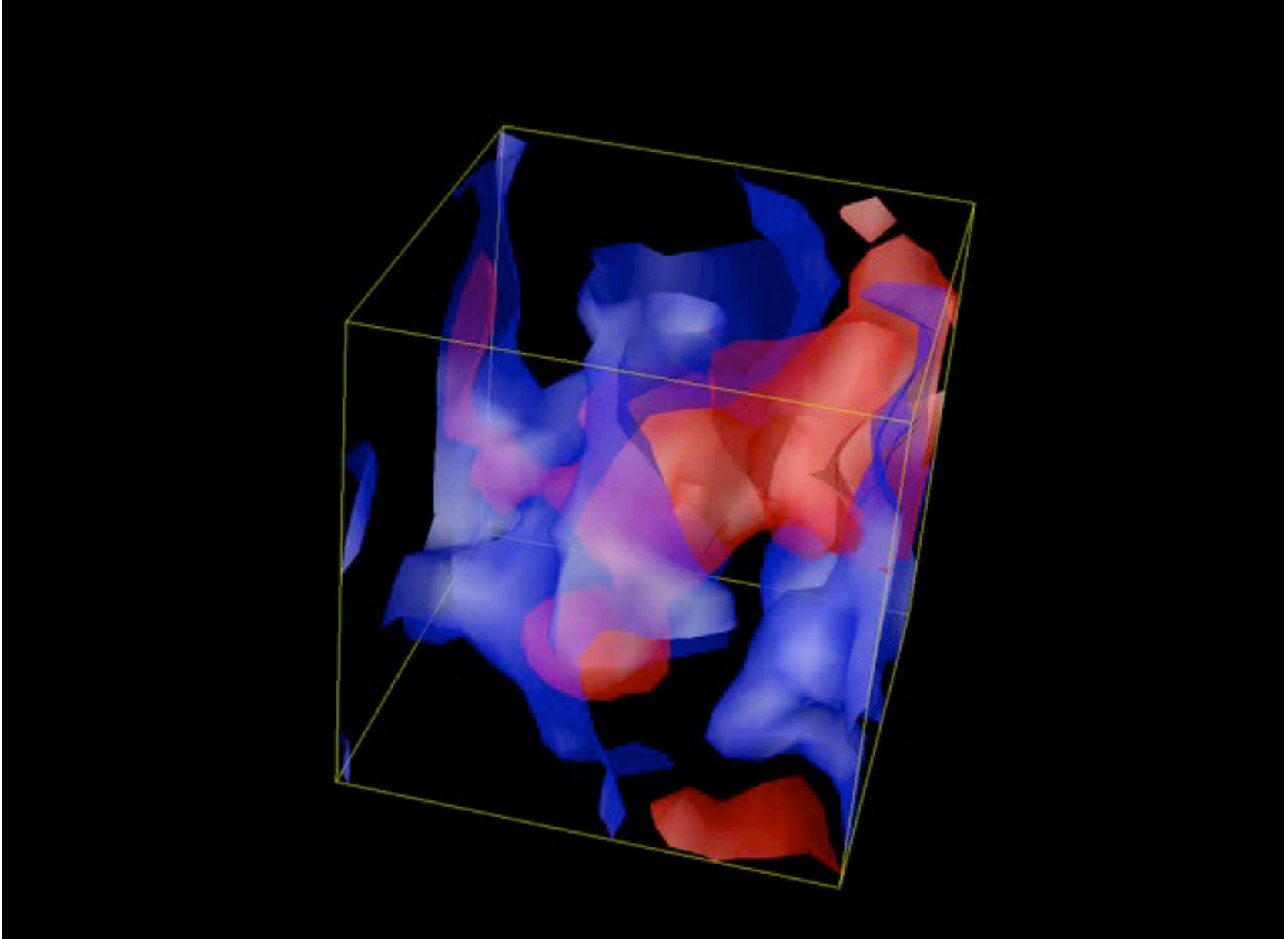


# Topological number fluctuations in QCD vacuum ("cooled" configurations)

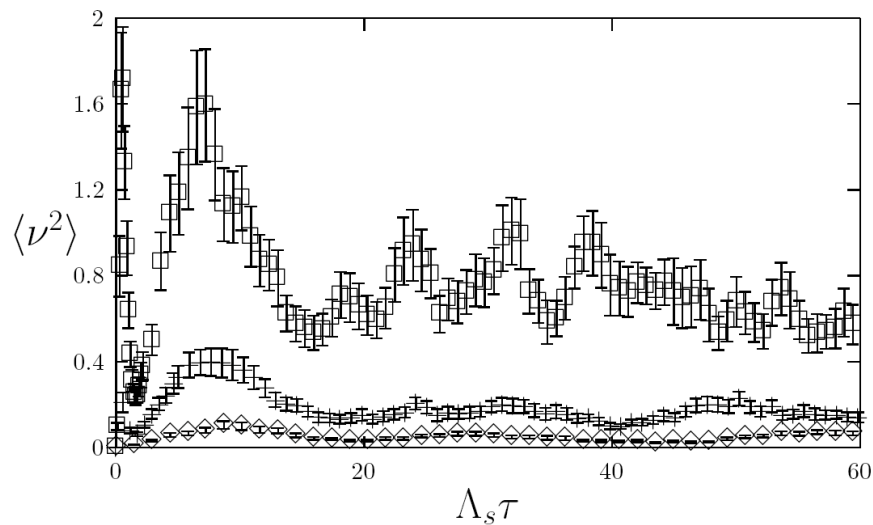


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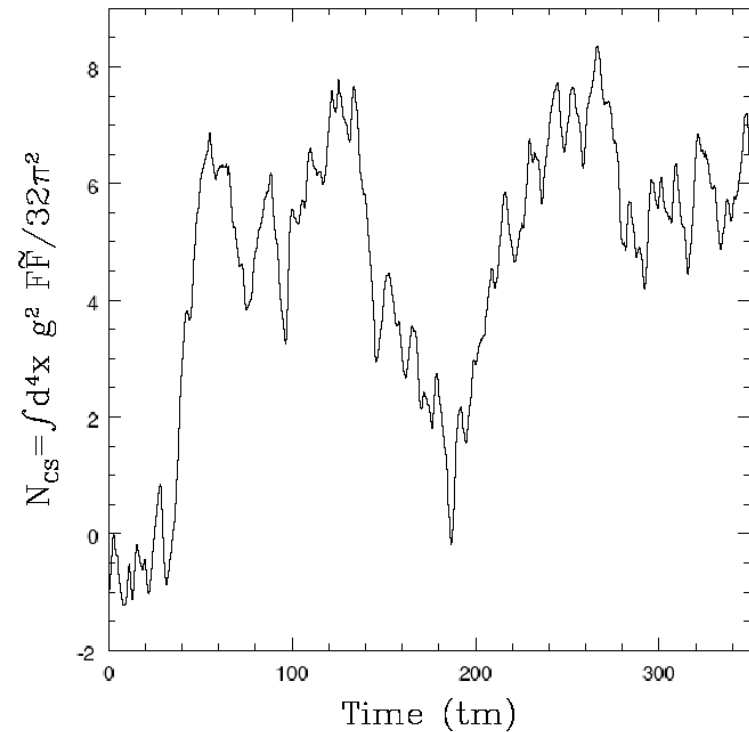
Topological number fluctuations in QCD vacuum  
ITEP Lattice Group



# Diffusion of Chern-Simons number in QCD: real time lattice simulations



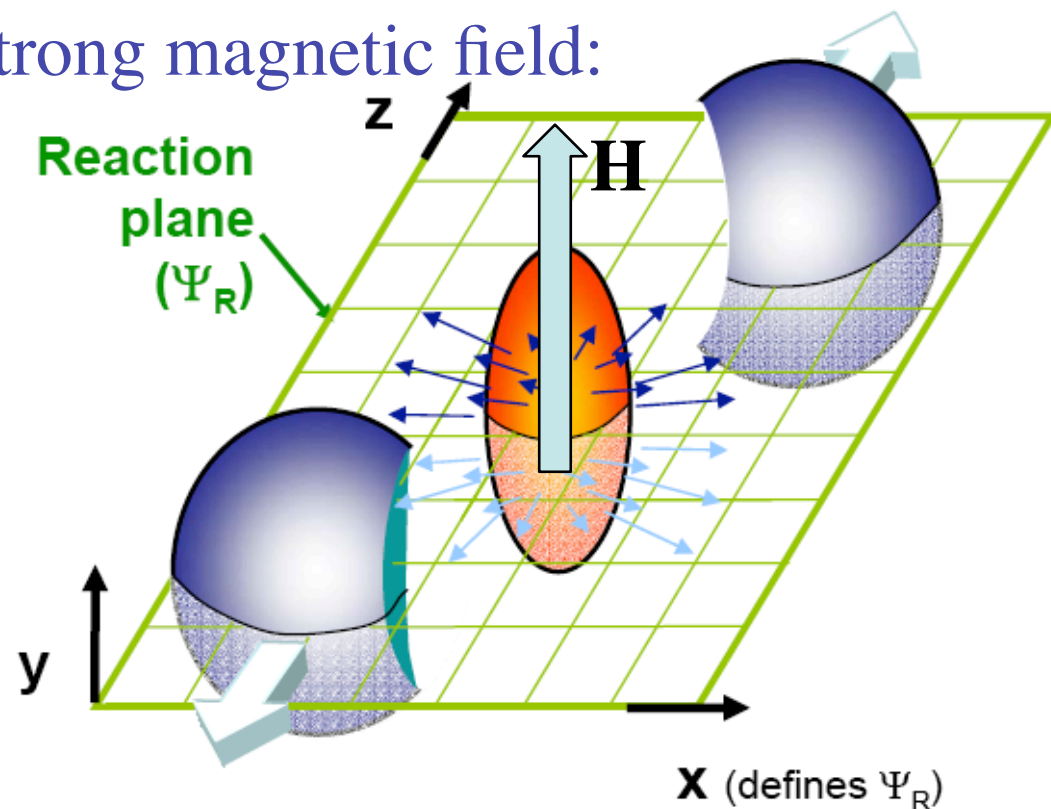
DK, A.Krasnitz and R.Venugopalan,  
Phys.Lett.B545:298-306,2002



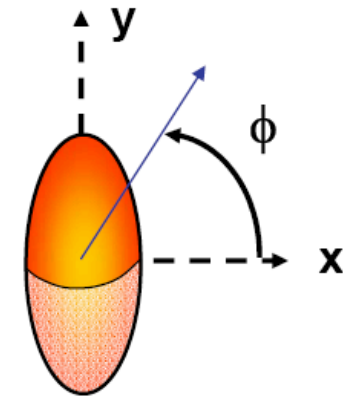
P.Arnold and G.Moore,  
Phys.Rev.D73:025006,2006

# Is there a way to observe topological charge fluctuations in experiment?

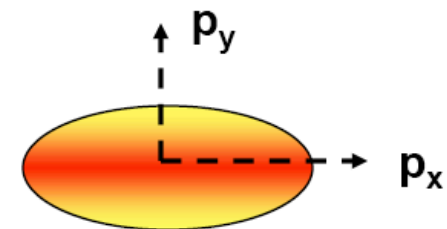
Relativistic ions create a strong magnetic field:



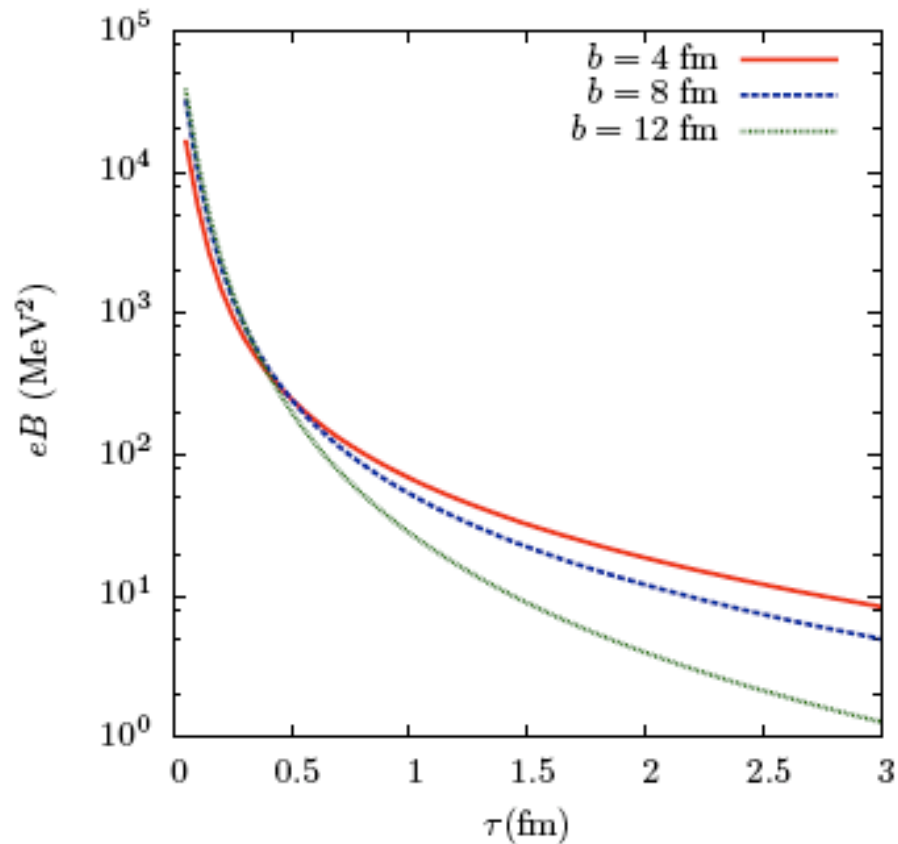
Initial spatial anisotropy



Final momentum anisotropy



# Heavy ion collisions as a source of the strongest magnetic fields available in the Laboratory



DK, McLerran, Warringa

Fig. A.2. Magnetic field at the center of a gold-gold collision, for different impact parameters. Here the center of mass energy is 200 GeV per nucleon pair ( $Y_0 = 5.4$ ).

# Comparison of magnetic fields



The Earth's magnetic field 0.6 Gauss

A common, hand-held magnet 100 Gauss



The strongest steady magnetic fields achieved so far in the laboratory  $4.5 \times 10^5$  Gauss

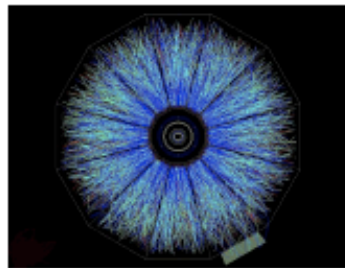
The strongest man-made fields ever achieved, if only briefly  $10^7$  Gauss



Typical surface, polar magnetic fields of radio pulsars  $10^{13}$  Gauss

Surface field of Magnetars  $10^{15}$  Gauss

<http://solomon.as.utexas.edu/~duncan/magnetar.html>



**Heavy ion collisions: the strongest magnetic field ever achieved in the laboratory**

Off central Gold-Gold Collisions at 100 GeV per nucleon

$$e B(\tau=0.2 \text{ fm}) = 10^3 \sim 10^4 \text{ MeV}^2 \sim 10^{17} \text{ Gauss}$$

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# From QCD back to electrodynamics: Maxwell-Chern-Simons theory

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{MCS}} = -\frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} - A_\mu J^\mu + \frac{c}{4} P_\mu J_{CS}^\mu$$

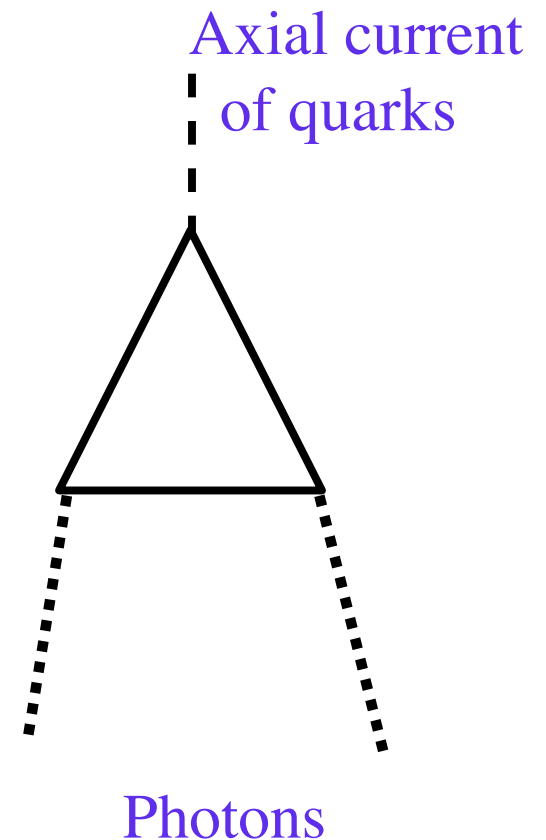
$$J_{CS}^\mu = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} A_\nu F_{\rho\sigma} \quad P_\mu = \partial_\mu \theta = (M, \vec{P})$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} - \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = \vec{J} + c \left( M \vec{B} - \vec{P} \times \vec{E} \right),$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho + c \vec{P} \cdot \vec{B},$$

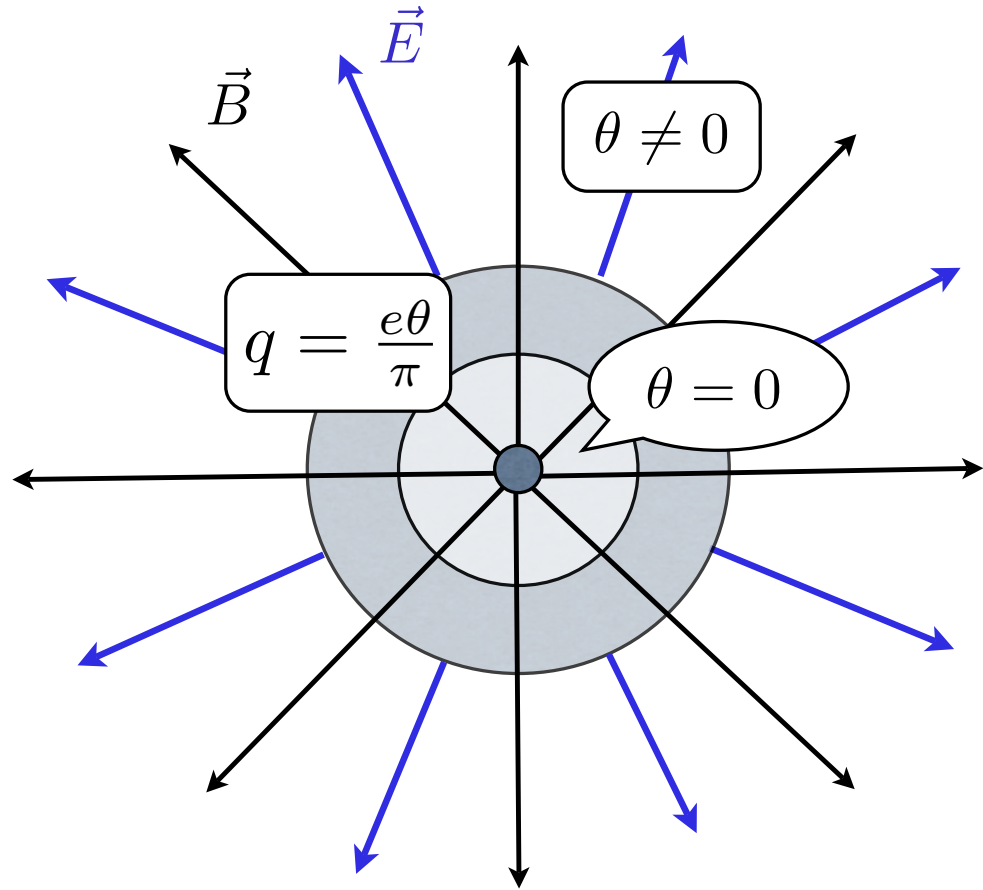
$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} + \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} = 0,$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0,$$



# Magnetic monopole at finite $\theta$ : the Witten effect

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho + c\vec{P} \cdot \vec{B}$$



E. Witten;

F. Wilczek

$$q = c \theta g = \frac{e^2}{2\pi^2} \theta g = \frac{e}{2\pi^2} \theta (eg) = e \frac{\theta}{\pi}$$



# The Chiral Magnetic Effect I:

## Charge separation

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho + c\vec{P} \cdot \vec{B}$$

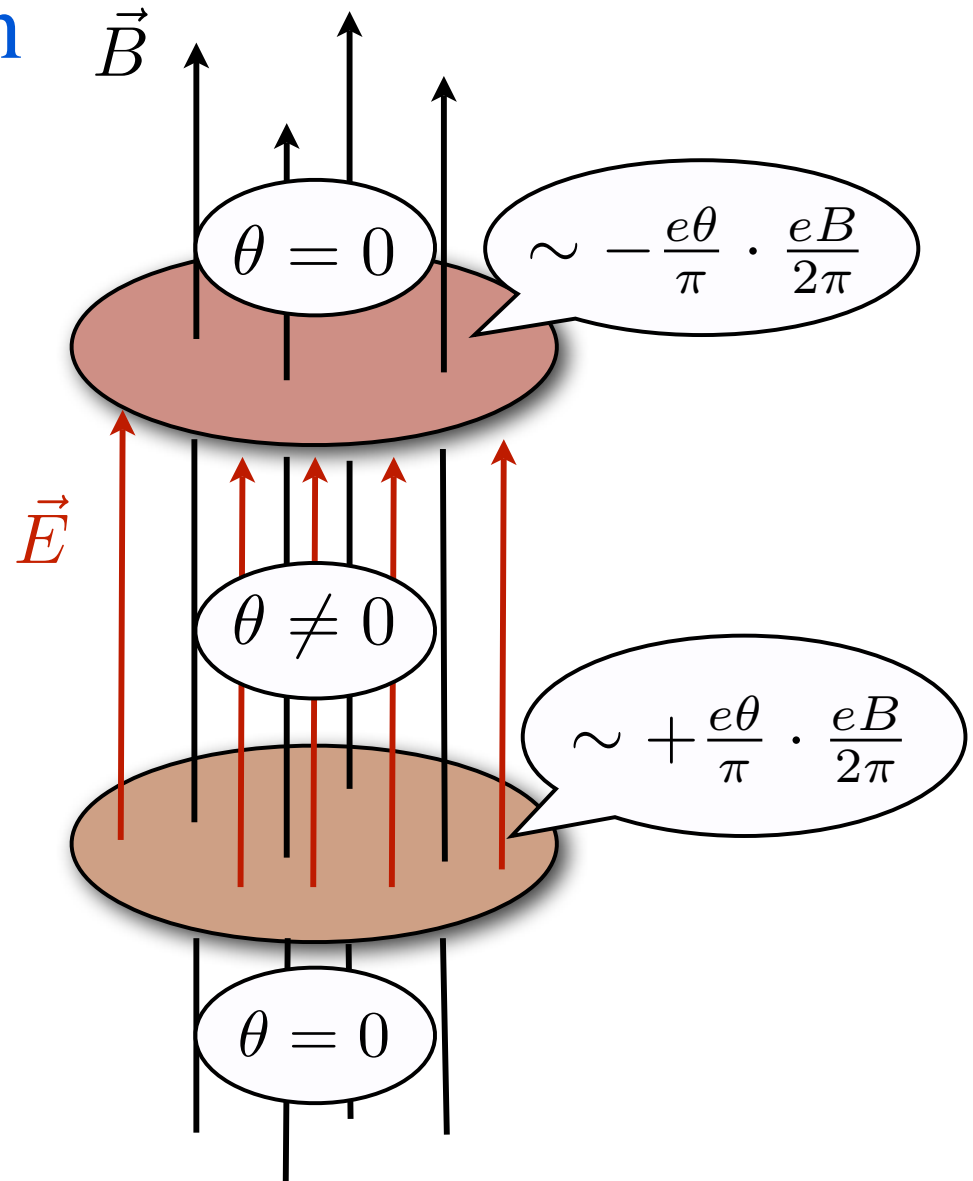
$$\vec{P} \equiv \vec{\nabla}\theta$$

$$d_e = \sum_f q_f^2 \left( e \frac{\theta}{\pi} \right) \left( \frac{eB \cdot S}{2\pi} \right) L$$

DK '04;

DK, A. Zhitnitsky '06;

DK arXiv:0911.3715



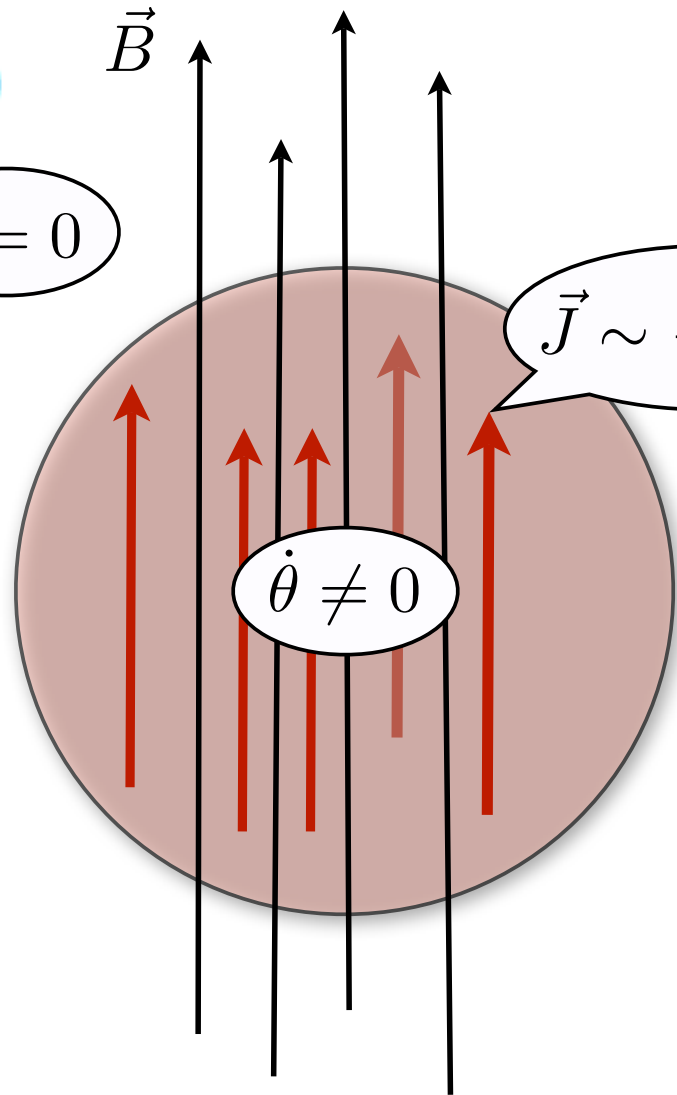
# The chiral magnetic effect II: chiral induction

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} - \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} = \vec{J} + c(\dot{\theta} \vec{B} - \vec{P} \times \vec{E}) \quad \vec{B}$$

$$\theta = 0$$

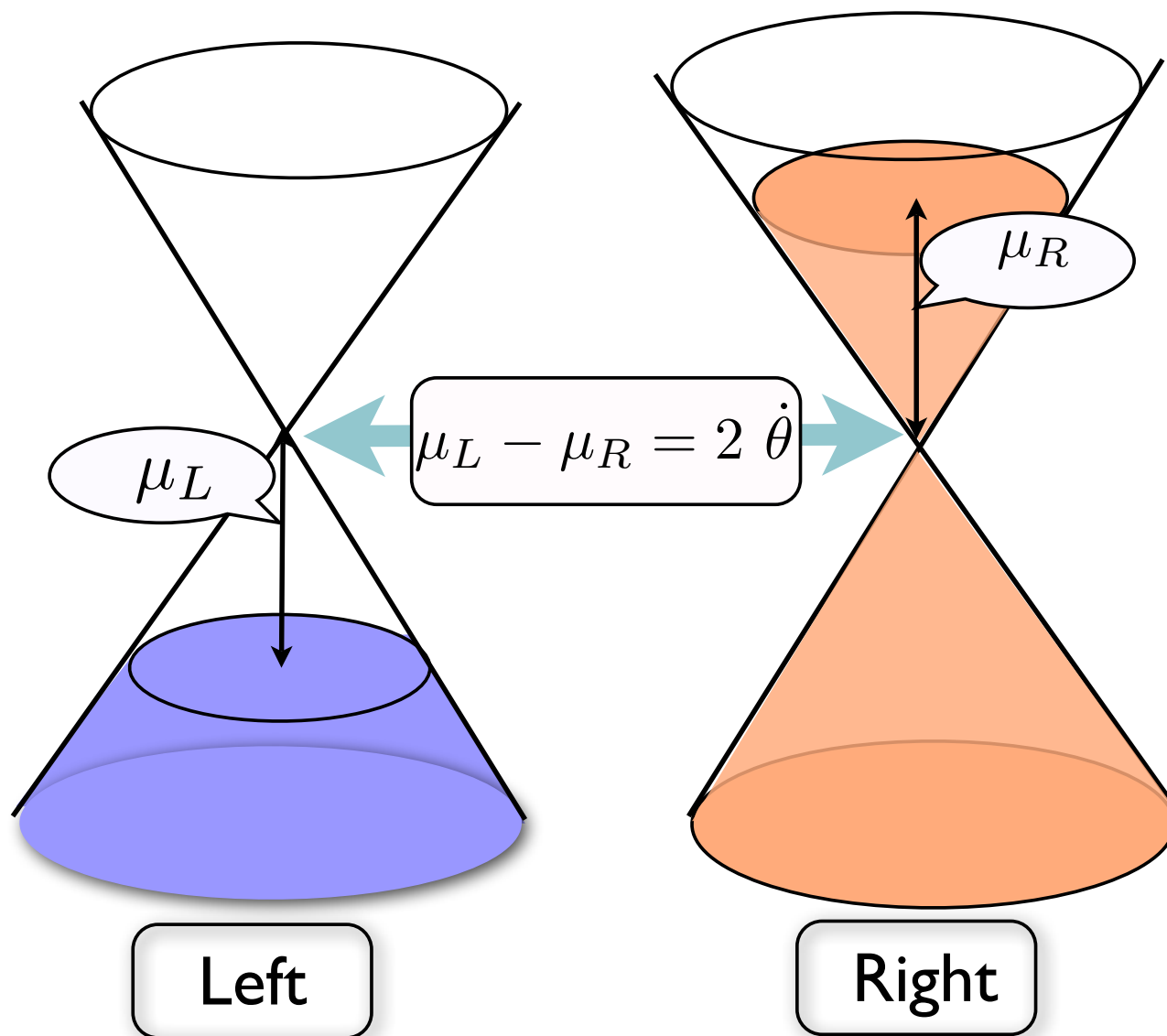
$$\vec{J} \sim \frac{e\dot{\theta}}{\pi} \cdot \frac{e\vec{B}}{2\pi}$$

$$\vec{J} = -\frac{e^2}{2\pi^2} \dot{\theta} \vec{B}$$



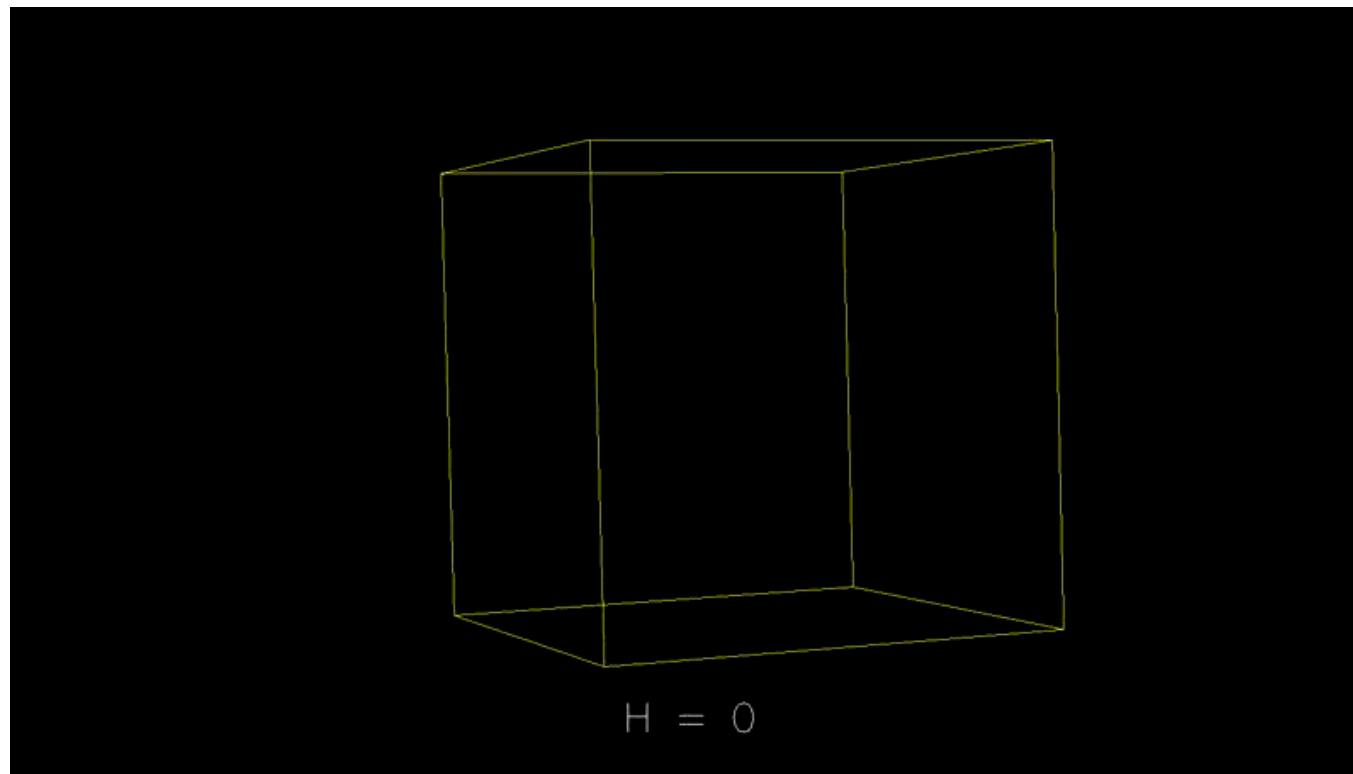
DK, L. McLerran, H. Warringa '07;  
K. Fukushima, DK, H. Warringa '08;  
DK, H. Warringa arXiv:0907.5007

# What powers the CME current?



# “Numerical evidence for chiral magnetic effect in lattice gauge theory”

P. Buividovich, M. Chernodub, E. Luschevskaya, M. Polikarpov, ArXiv 0907.0494; PRD'09



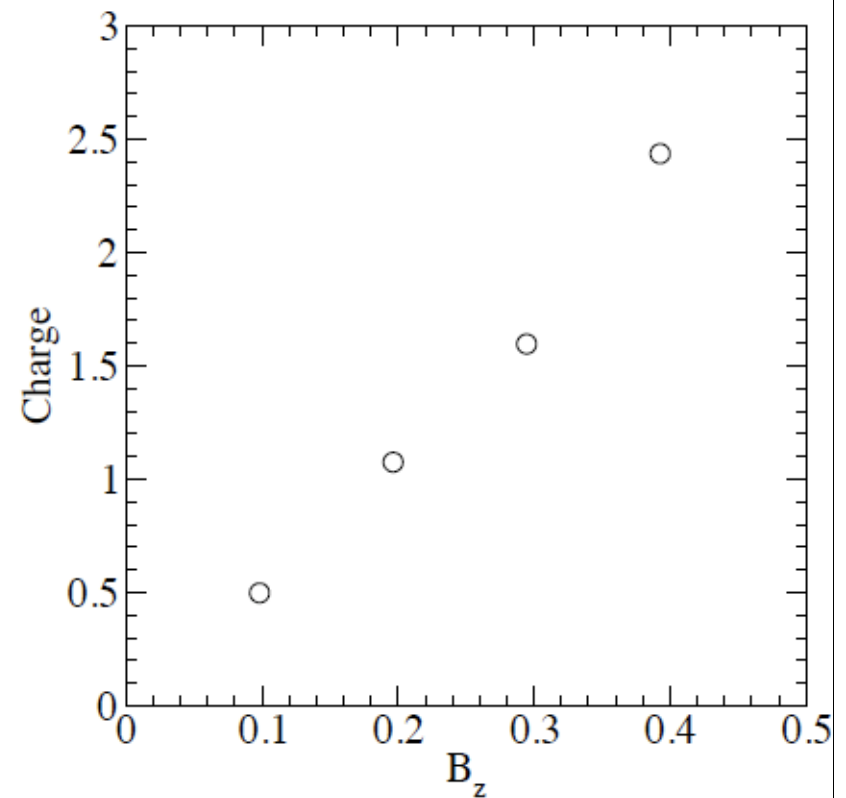
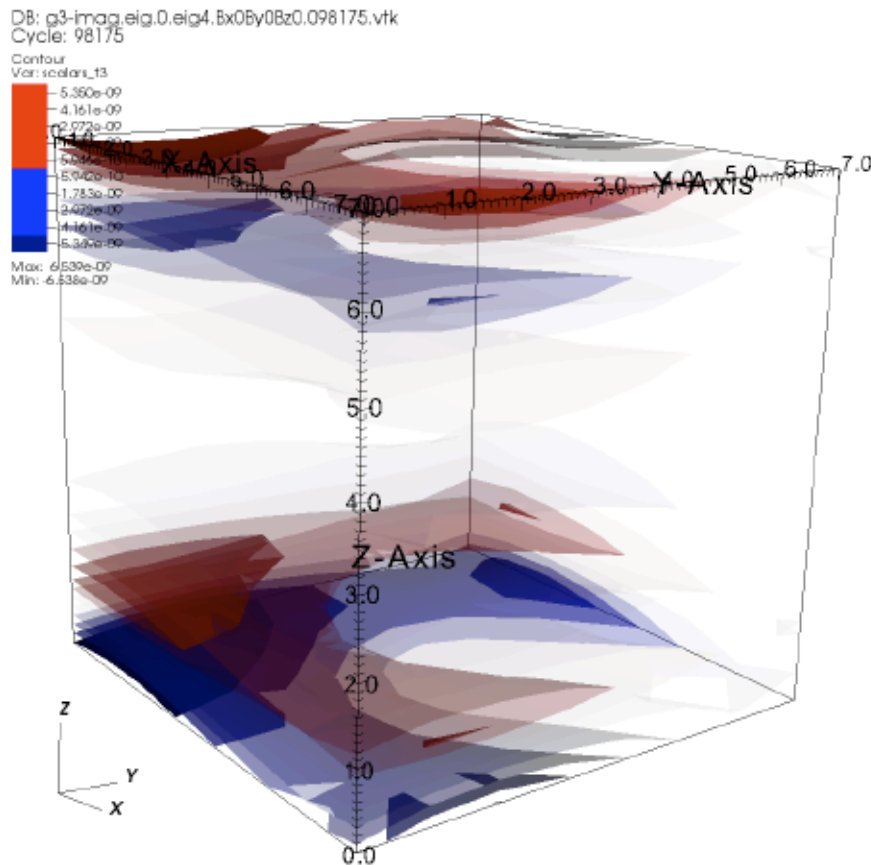
Red - positive charge  
Blue - negative charge

SU(2) quenched,  $Q = 3$ ; Electric charge density (H) - Electric charge density (H=0)

# “Chiral magnetic effect in 2+1 flavor QCD+QED”,

M. Abramczyk, T. Blum, G. Petropoulos, R. Zhou, ArXiv 0911.1348;  
Columbia-Bielefeld-RIKEN-BNL

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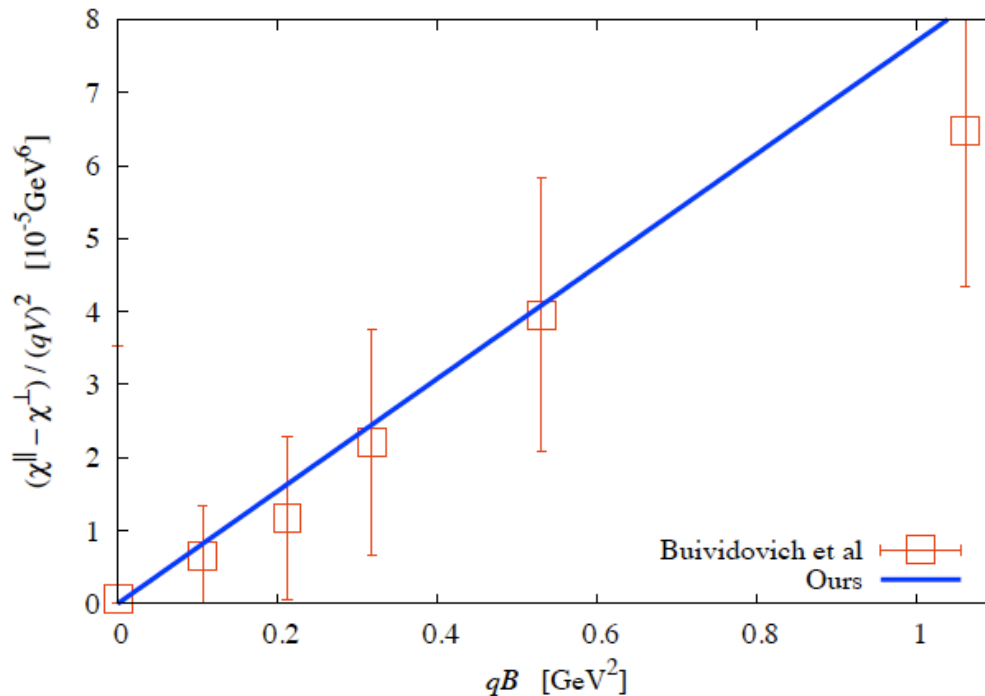


2+1 flavor Domain Wall Fermions, fixed topological sectors,  $16^3 \times 8$  lattice

# Electric current susceptibility

$$\cos(\Delta\phi_\alpha + \Delta\phi_\beta) \propto \frac{\alpha\beta}{N_\alpha N_\beta} (J_\perp^2 - J_\parallel^2)$$

K.Fukushima, DK,  
H. Warringa, arXiv:0912.2961



The fluctuations of electric current in magnetic background are anisotropic, the difference of susceptibilities is UV finite.

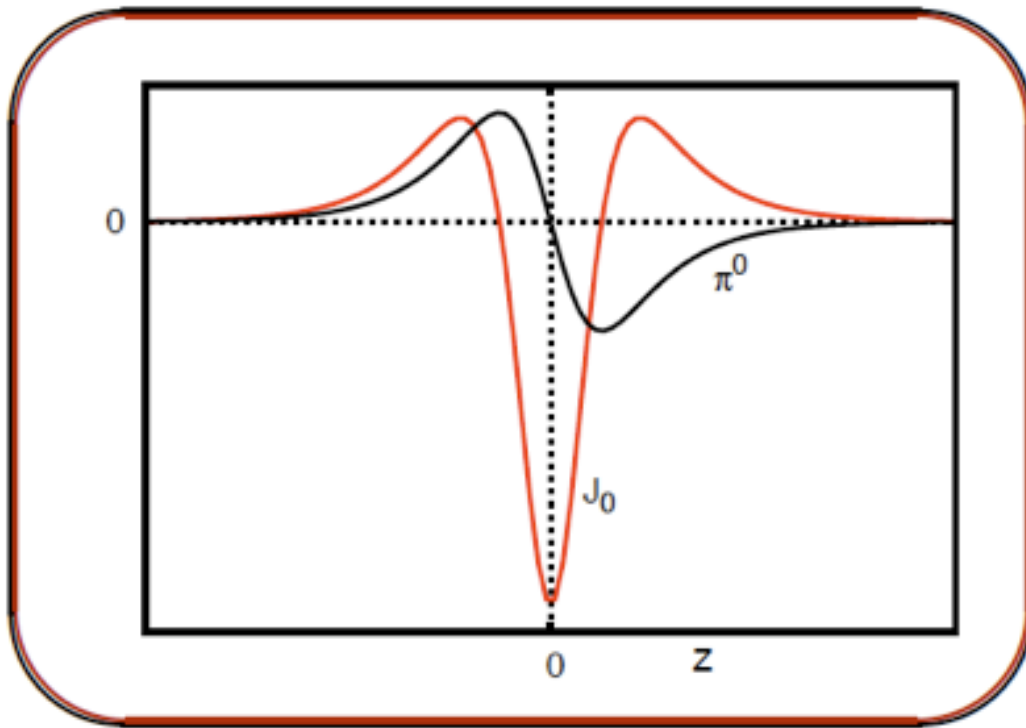
Lattice data are well reproduced theoretically.

$$\chi_{\mu_5}^\parallel - \chi_{\mu_5}^\perp = VT N_c \sum_{f,s} \frac{q_f^2 |q_f B|}{4\pi^2} \frac{\Lambda}{\omega_{\Lambda\lambda}} \left(1 + \frac{s\mu_5}{\Lambda}\right) [1 - n_F(\omega_{\Lambda\lambda}) - \bar{n}_F(\omega_{\Lambda\lambda})]$$

$$\xrightarrow{\Lambda \rightarrow \infty} VT N_c \sum_f \frac{q_f^2 |q_f B|}{2\pi^2}.$$

# Charge separation at low $T$

$$J_0 = \frac{3e^2 m_\pi}{2\pi^2} (q_u^2 - q_d^2) \frac{B \cos \theta e^{m_\pi z}}{1 + e^{2m_\pi z}}$$



- $J_0 \rightarrow 0$  as  $m_\pi \rightarrow 0$

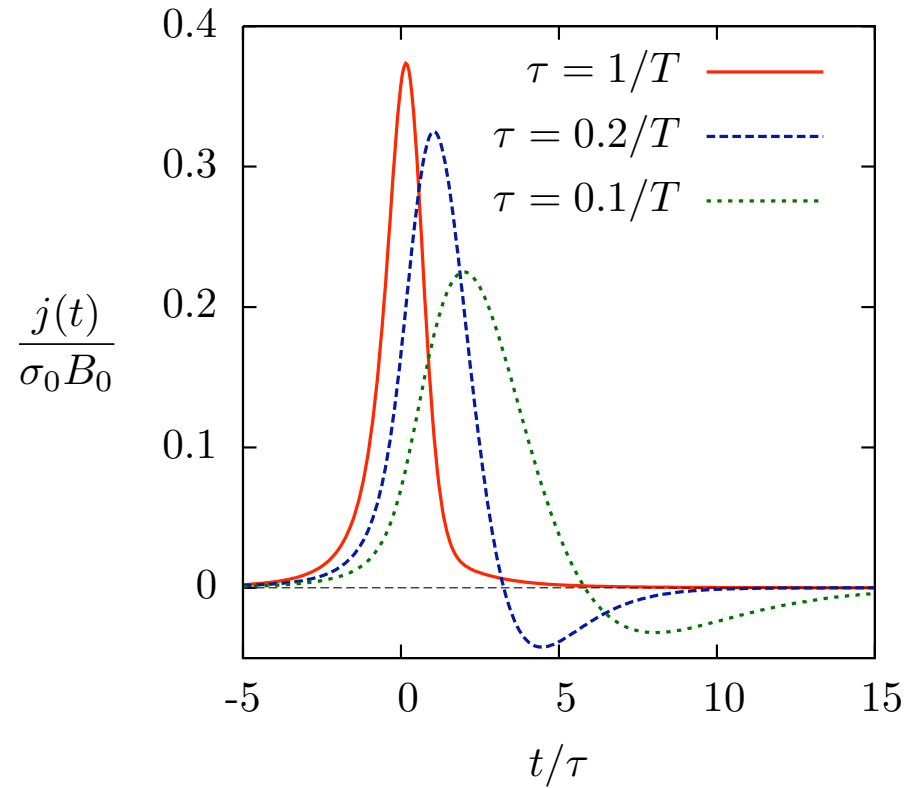
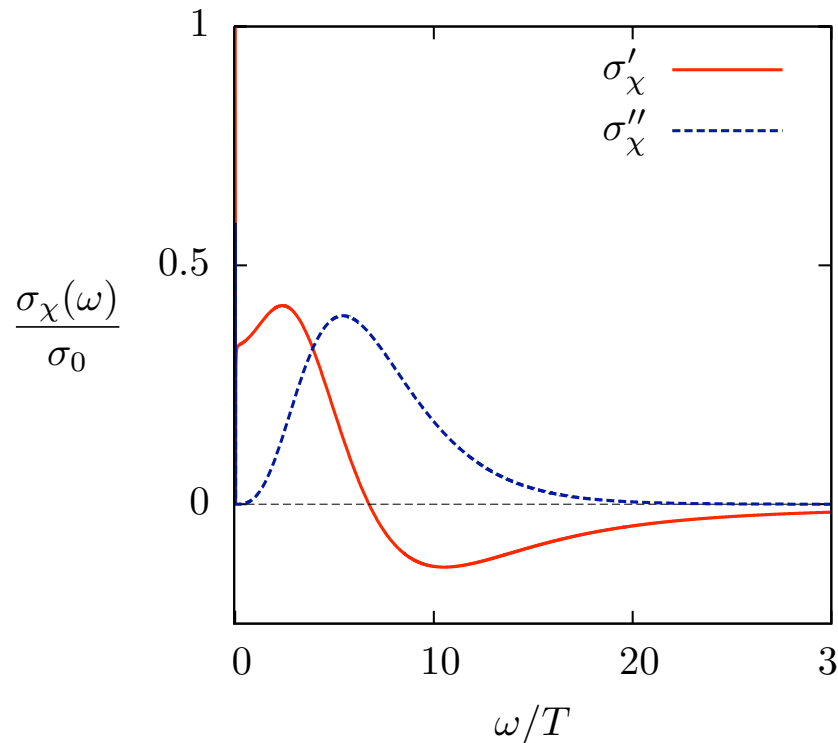
**Induced charge in the confined chirally broken phase is suppressed**

DK, S. Mukherjee,  
to appear

# Chiral magnetic conductivity

$$\mathbf{j} = \sigma_\chi \mathbf{B}$$

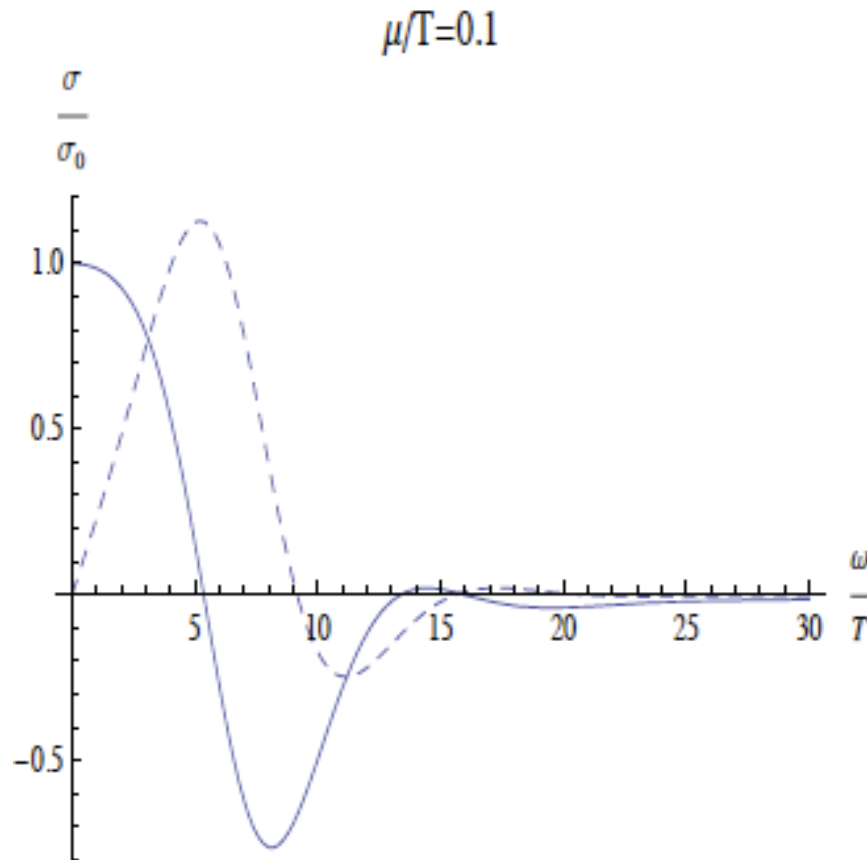
$$\sigma_\chi(\omega = 0, \mathbf{p} = 0) \equiv \sigma_0 = \frac{e^2}{2\pi^2} \mu_5$$



D.K., H. Warringa PRD'09



# Holographic chiral magnetic conductivity: the strong coupling regime



H.-U. Yee, arXiv:0908.4189

A. Rebhan et al, JHEP 0905, 084 (2009),  
and to appear;

G.Lifshytz, M.Lippert, arXiv:0904.4772

Sakai-Sugimoto model;

D.Son and P.Surowka, arXiv:0906.5044

CME in relativistic hydrodynamics;

E. D' Hoker and P. Krauss, arXiv:0911.4518

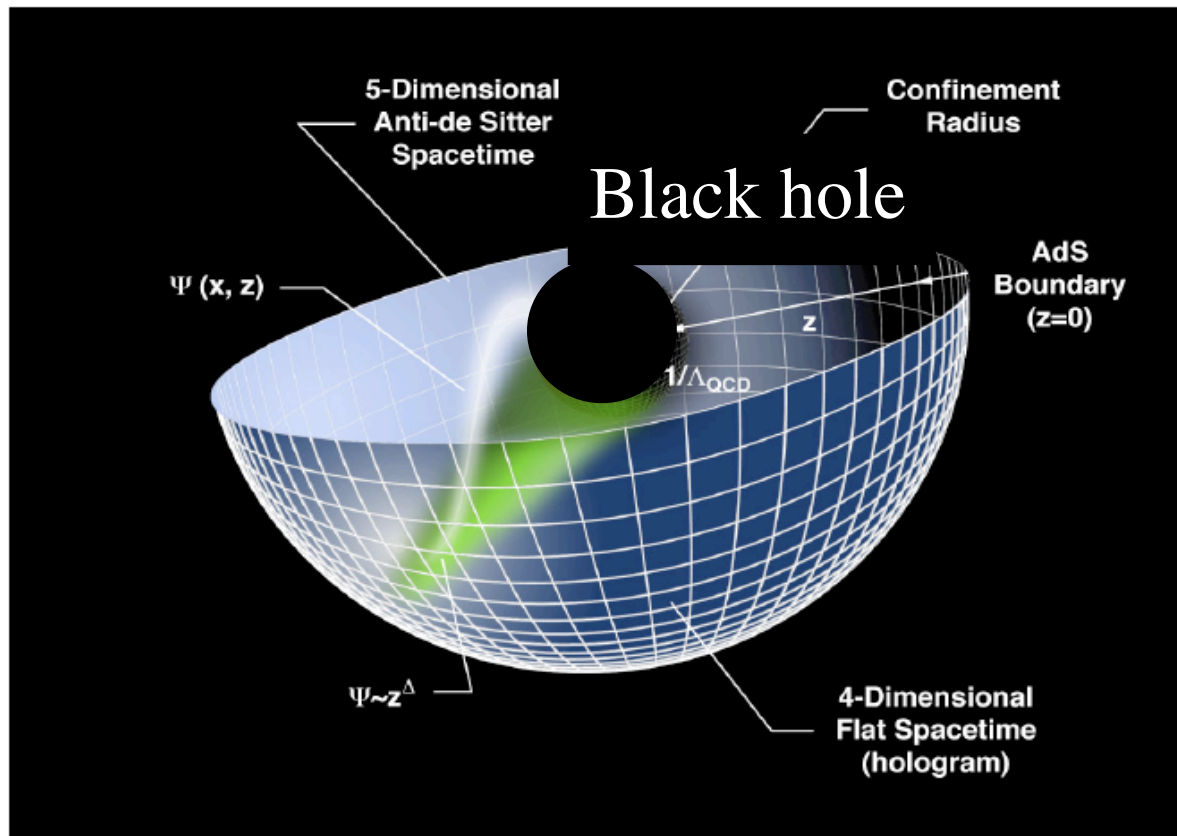
5D Einstein gravity with  
Reissner-Nordstrom black hole  
coupled to  $U(1)_L \times U(1)_R$

# Topological number diffusion at strong coupling

Chern-Simons number  
diffusion rate  
at strong coupling

$$\Gamma = \frac{(g_{\text{YM}}^2 N)^2}{256\pi^3} T^4$$

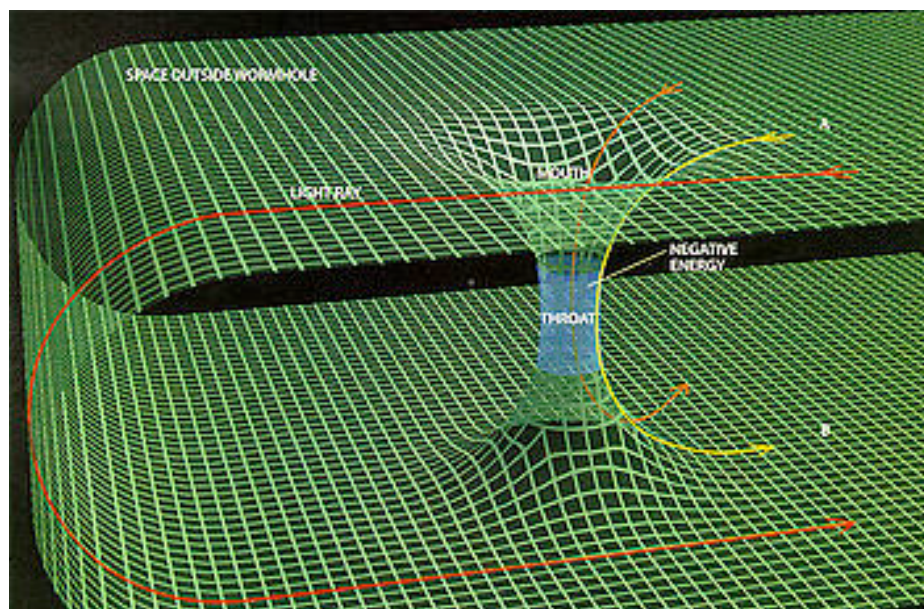
D.Son,  
A.Starinets  
hep-th/  
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NB: This calculation is completely analogous to the calculation of shear viscosity that led to the “perfect liquid”

# Classical topological solutions at strong coupling?

yes: D-instantons in (dual) weakly coupled supergravity



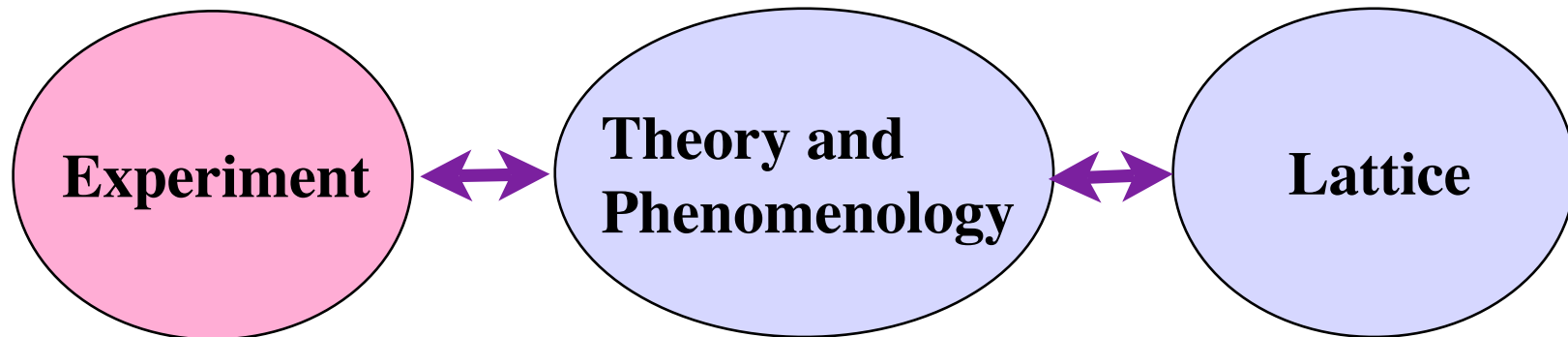
D-instanton as  
an Einstein-Rosen  
wormhole;  
the flow of RR charge  
down the throat of  
the wormhole describes  
change of chirality

G. W. Gibbons, M. B. Green and M. J. Perry, Phys. Lett. B **370**, 37  
(1996) [arXiv:hep-th/9511080].

D-instantons as a source of multiparticle production in N=4 SYM?

DK, E. Levin, arXiv:0910.3355

# What next?



Dynamical real-time modeling, quantitative description of the data and detailed predictions are urgently needed, and are on the way

# P- and CP-odd Effects in Hot and Dense Matter

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P- and CP-odd effects in:  
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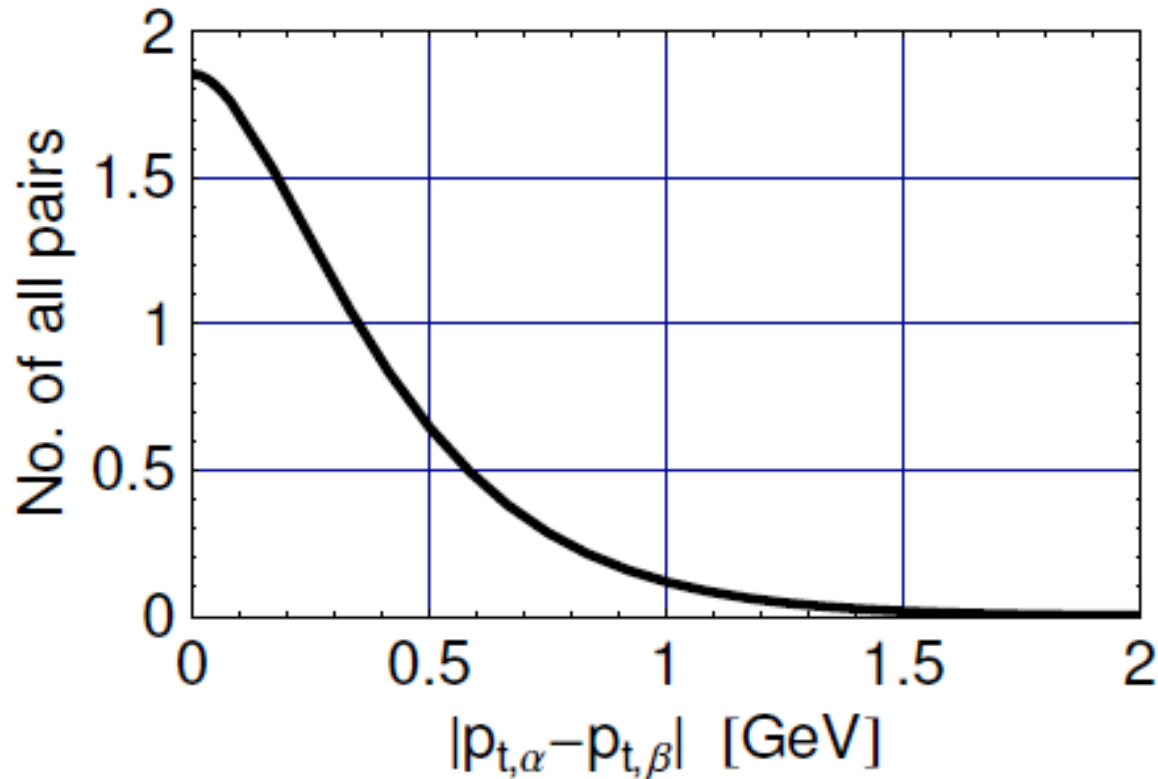
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# Back-up slides

## Further tests at RHIC

- Parity-odd observable?
- Correlations for identified hadrons?  $K_0^S$  ?
- Low-energy run: the effect is expected to weaken below the deconfinement/chiral symmetry transition
- P-odd decays? R. Millo & E.Shuryak, '09
- Double diffractive production in pp collisions: sphaleron decay in magnetic field?

Disentangle  
azimuthal,  
 $p_t$  dependence  
from the data:



A.Bzdak, V.Koch,  
J.Liao,  
arXiv:0912.5050

P-odd-correlated pairs are produced at small  $p_t$ !?



A novel method of looking for the parity violation  
signal

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(SUNYSB Nuclear Chemistry)

for the PHENIX Collaboration

**Joint CATHIE/TECHQM Workshop**

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**Presented here for the first time a new method involving a novel correlation  $C_p$**   
**The new correlation  $C_p$  is constructed as follows :**

$$S = \sin(\phi_{lab} - \Psi_{RP})$$

where  $\Psi_{RP}$  is the reconstructed reaction plane

Consider an event of multiplicity  $M$  having  $p$  positively charged hadrons and  $n$  negatively charged hadrons i.e.  $M = p + n$

**Define**

$\langle S_p^{++} \rangle$  = average of  $S$  over the  $p$  positively charged hadrons in the event

$\langle S_n^{+-} \rangle$  = average of  $S$  over the  $n$  negatively charged hadrons in the event

$\langle S_p^+ \rangle$  = average over  $p$  randomly chosen hadrons irrespective of charge in the same event

$\langle S_n^+ \rangle$  = average over the remaining  $n$  hadrons in same event