Low-energy effective description of dark Sp(4) theories

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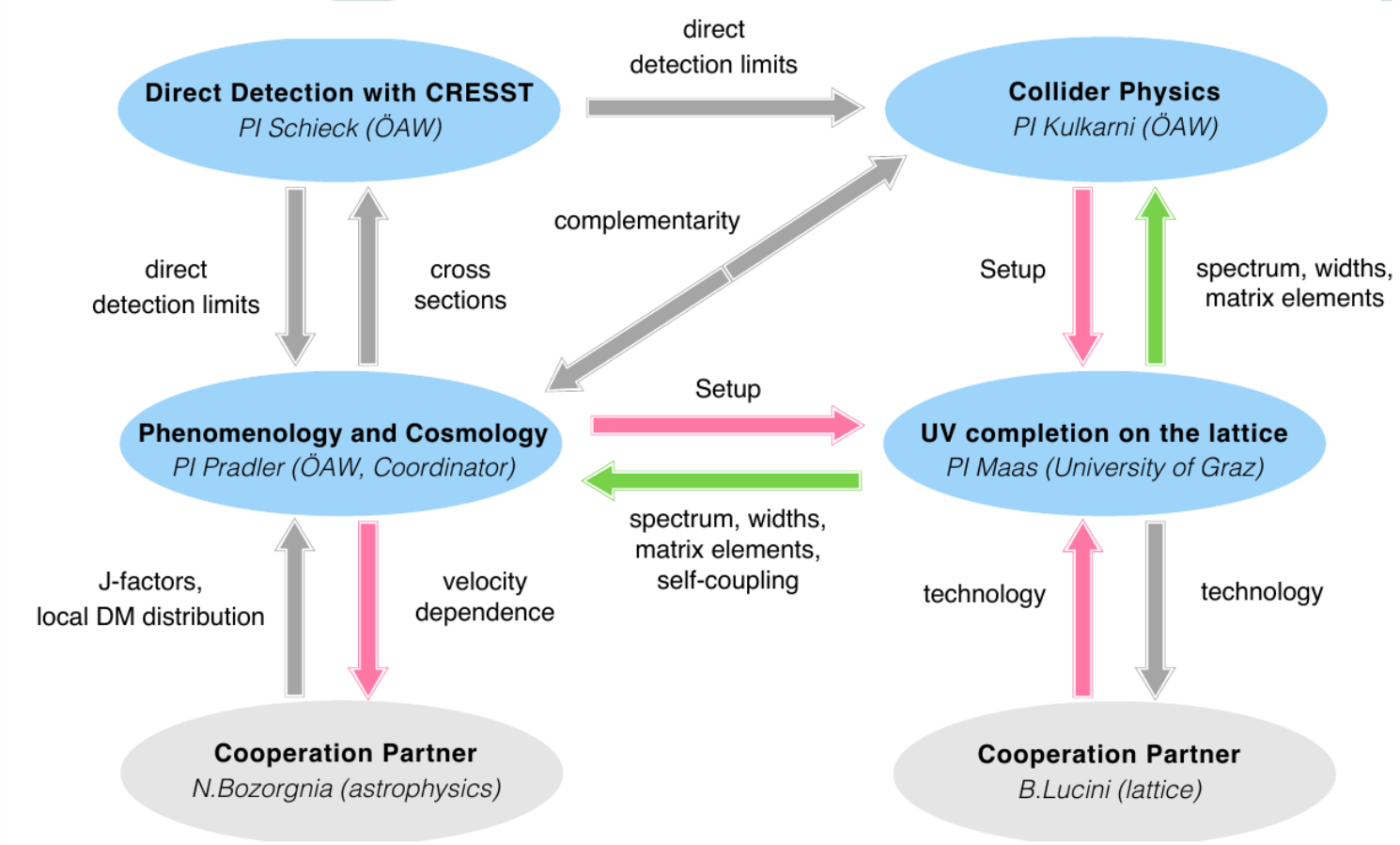


- Combining collider and astrophysical pheno with lattice field theory and direct detection searches

Outline

1. Dark Matter (DM): Motivation
2. Strongly Interacting Massive Particles
3. Mesonic spectrum $Sp(4)$ and DM candidates
4. Effective theories and lattice constraints

Dark Matter

- Nature of Dark Matter (DM) unclear
- Only gravitational effects observed
- Hypothesis: Particle Dark Matter
  - At least one additional DM particle to SM
  - Coupling to the SM extremely weak
  - Stable over tens of billions of years

From WIMPs to SIMPs

(Strongly Interacting Massive Particles)

- WIMPs: DM as thermal relic from early universe
- Decouple below certain temperature $\rightarrow$ freeze out
- Density distribution of DM constraints theories
- Constraint given by DM depletion process

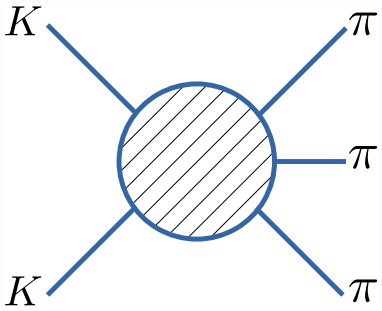
  WIMPs: $2\mathrm{DM} \rightarrow 2\mathrm{SM} \Rightarrow m_D \approx \mathrm{TeV}$

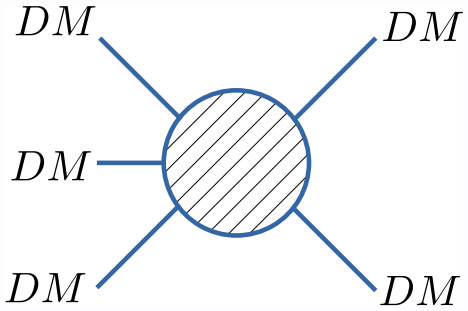
  SIMPs: $3\mathrm{DM} \rightarrow 2\mathrm{DM} \Rightarrow m_D \approx \mathcal{O}(100)\mathrm{MeV}$ **[1]**

[1] Hochberg et. al. [1402.5143] [1411.3727] [1512.07917]

$3 \to 2$ occurs in chiral effective theories!

- Spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking
  $\Rightarrow$ relatively light (pseudo-)Goldstone states
  ≥ 5 pGoldstones: effective 5-point-interaction
- In QCD this describes the $2K \to 3\pi$ decay.

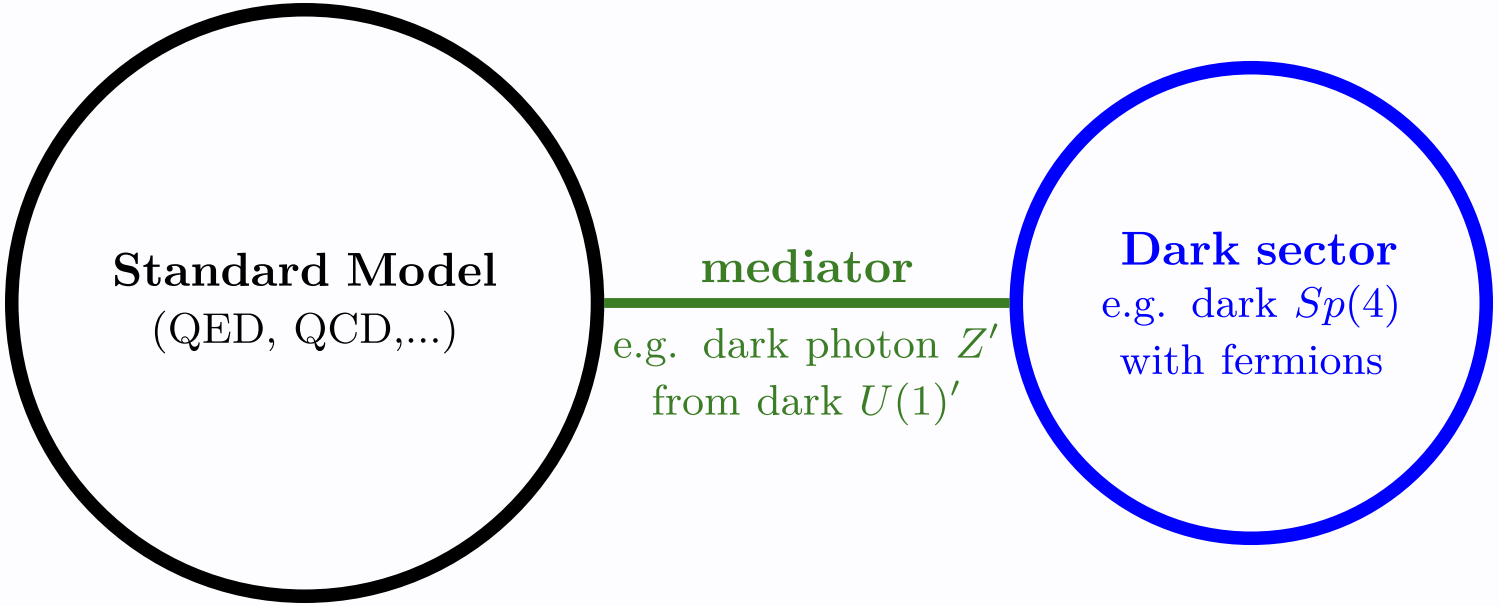




Idea: Non-Abelian gauge theory with $3 \to 2$

Goldstones as Dark Matter candidates + mediator

A model of SIMP Dark Matter



- Strong, confining dark sector $\Rightarrow$ dark hadrons
- **Dark fermions no not carry any SM charge**
- Small coupling to the SM via Z'-γ-mixing

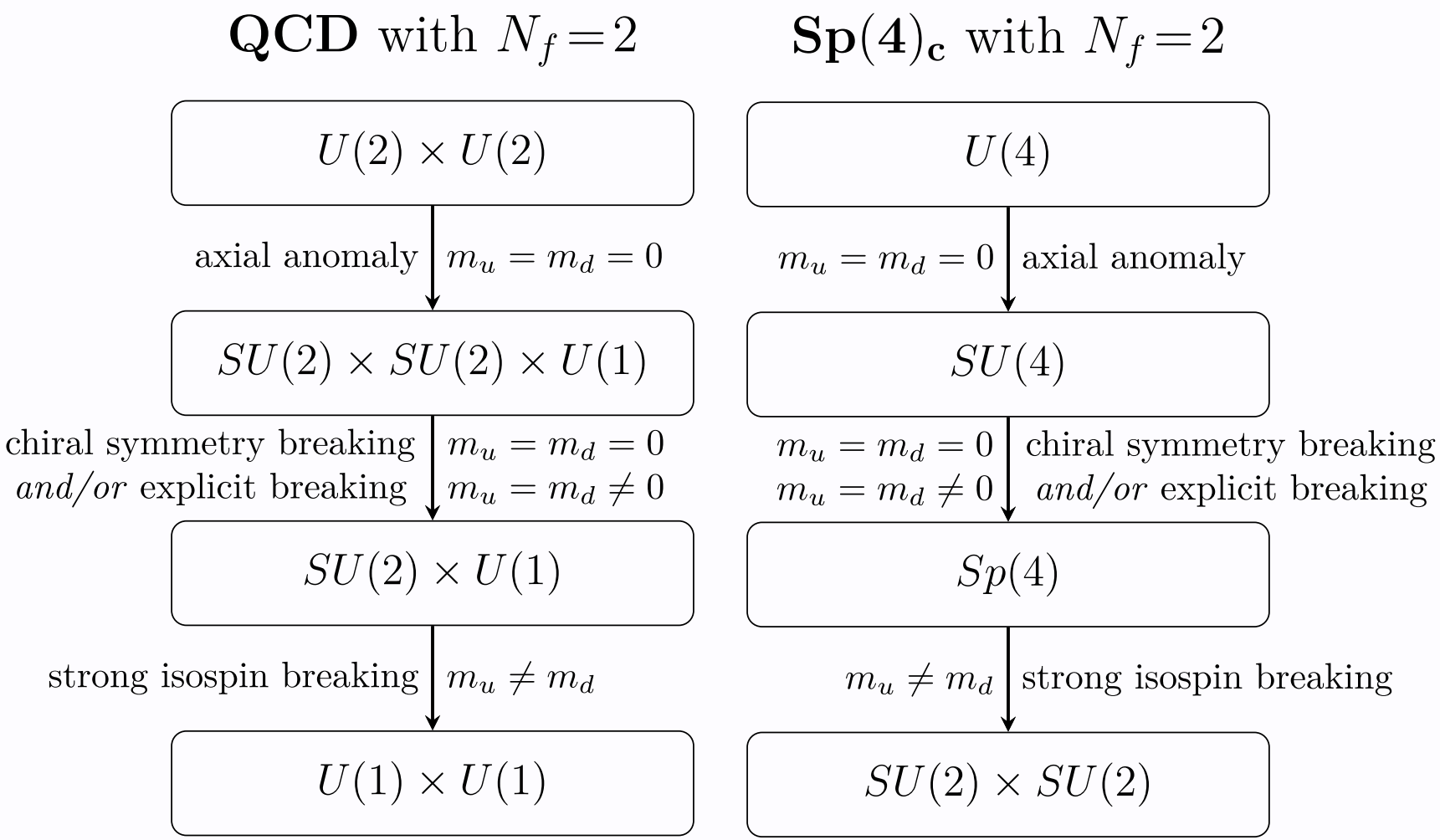
We have a model. We need predictions.

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \mathcal{L}_{Sp(4)} + \mathcal{L}_{\text{mediator}}$$

- Dark $Sp(4)$ confines into dark hadrons
- DM canditates are bound states $\longrightarrow$ non-perturbative
- Low energy effective theory (EFT) needed

- **Combine the methods with lattice field theory**
  - Derive low energy EFT for dark sector + mediator
  - Low energy constants (LECs) from lattice
  - Use EFT for astro/collider/direct detection pheno

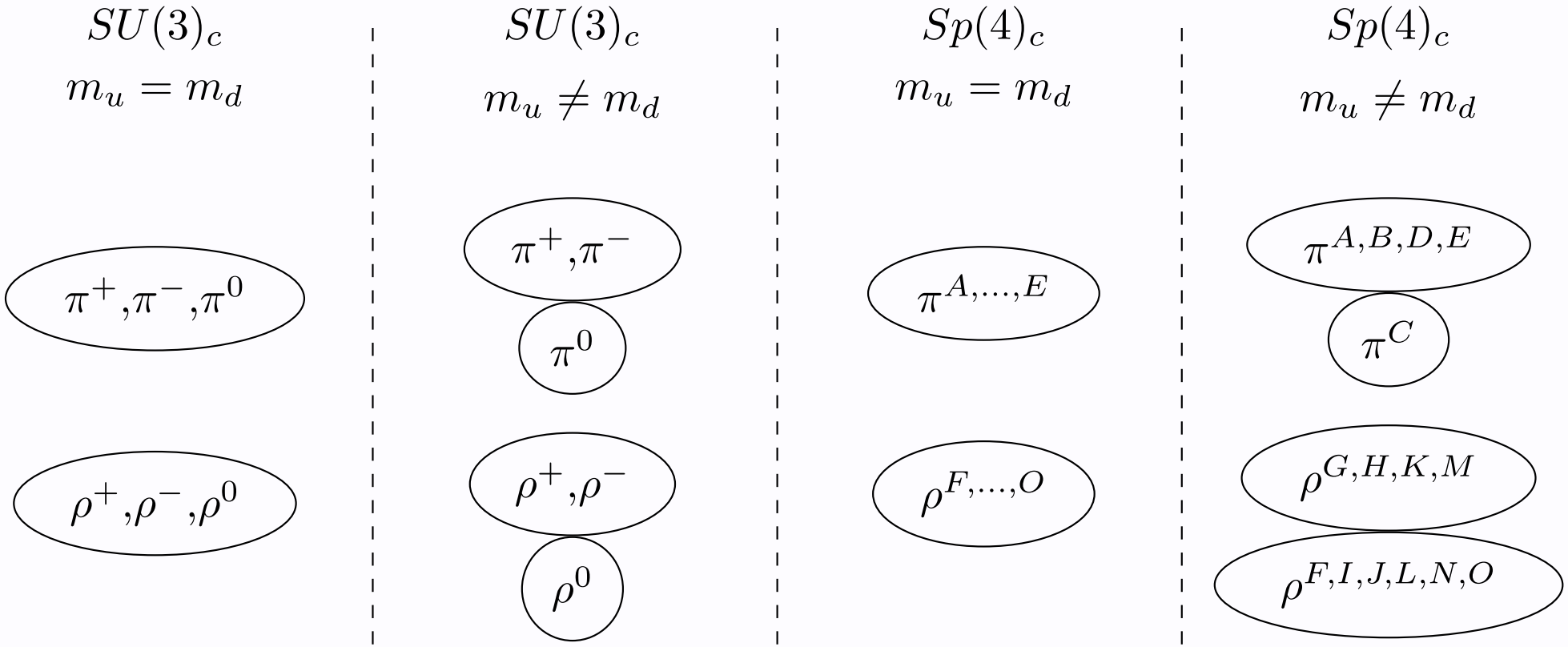
Constructing EFTs: Symmetries



see e.g. '[hep-ph/0001171] [1205.4205] '

Symmetries of dark hadrons (without mediator)

- Global symmetries are enlarged compared to QCD
- New quark-quark and antiquark-antiquark states



Symmetries of dark hadrons (with Z' mediator)

- Radiative corrections break symmetries differently
- Depending on the charge assignment Q of fermions

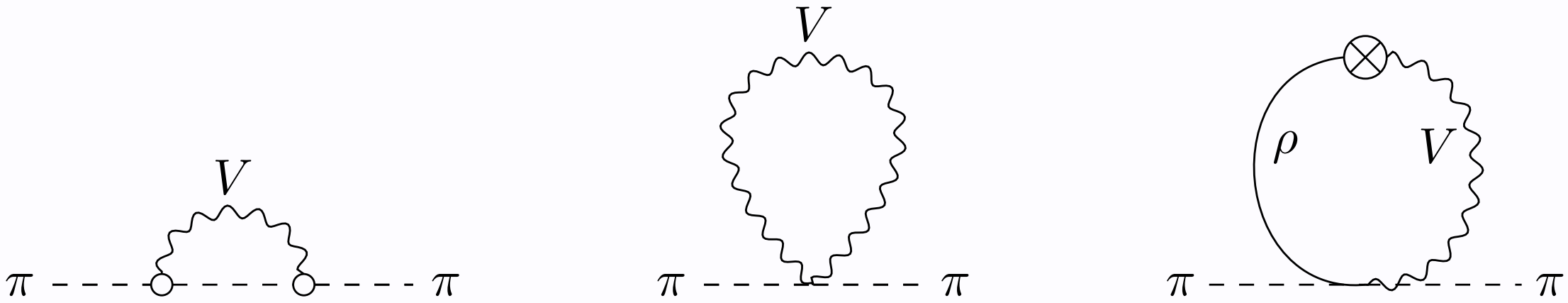
$SU(3)_c$	$Sp(4)_c$	$Sp(4)_c$	$Sp(4)_c$	
$m_u \neq m_d$	$m_u \neq m_d$	Q #1	Q #2	
π^+,π^-	$\pi^{A,B,D,E}$	$\pi^{A,B}$	$\pi^{A,B}$	+ others
π^0	π^C	$\pi^{C,D,E}$	$\pi^{D,E}$	(depending on specific charges of fermions)
			π^C	

Particle stability

- Only multiplets are protected by symmetry
- Singlets can decay
  - $m_u = m_d$: Some charge assignments avoid singlets
  - $m_u \neq m_d$: Even without a Z' the π^C is a singlet
- For a viable DM candidate the decay of flavour singlets needs to be sufficiently supressed

Low Energy Constants from the lattice I

- Mass degenerate theory has been studied **[1]**
- Use **existing** data to constrain LEC κ in radiative pion mass splitting through vector meson ρ and dark photon V



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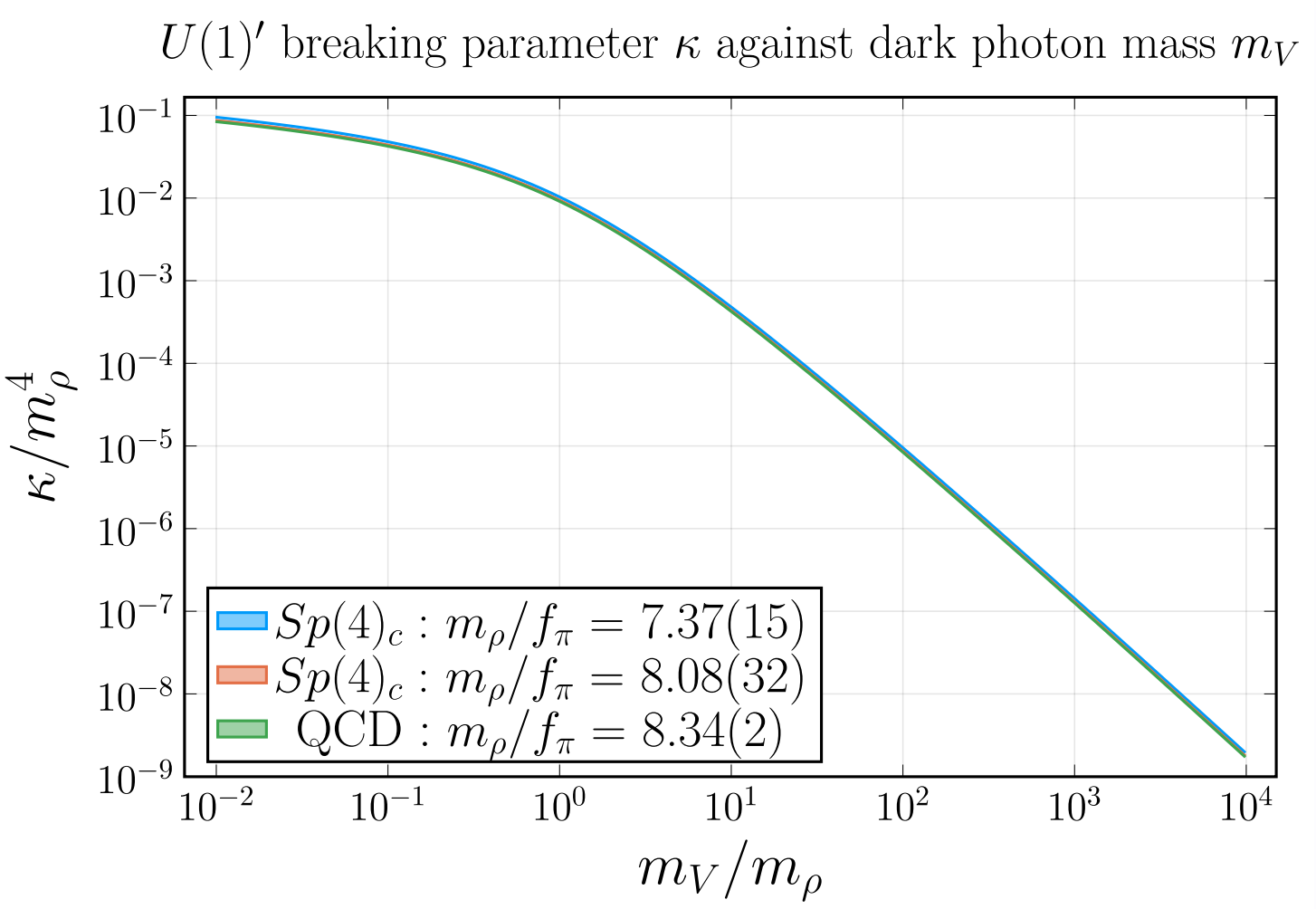

- use existing lattice data **[1]**
- constrains κ vs. m_V
- similar for many gauge groups

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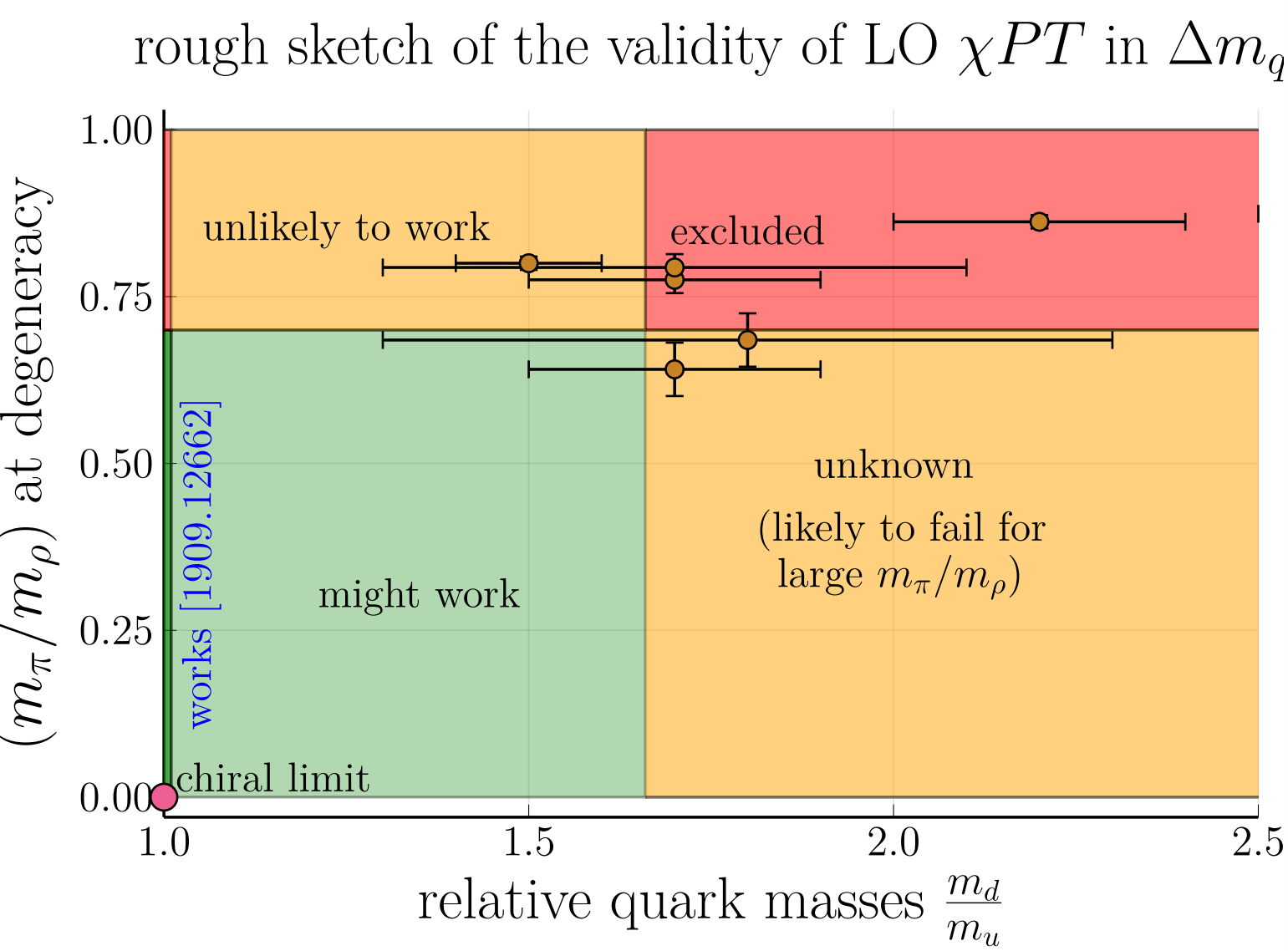
Low Energy Constants from the lattice II

- **New** lattice results for isospin breaking $m_u \neq m_d$
- Relevant LECs: Pion masses and decay constants
- We have bounds on EFT validity:

$$\left(\frac{m_\pi}{m_\rho}\right)_{deg} < 0.7 \qquad \left(\frac{m_d}{m_u}\right)_{\mathrm{PCAC}} < 1.5$$

- For larger values LO χPT breaks down



- data points: breakdown of LO χPT in Δm on the lattice
- $\frac{m_d}{m_u} = 1 + \Delta m$
- $\frac{m_\pi}{m_\rho}$ fixed at degeneracy

Conclusion

- First results of the FG1 collaboration
- Systematic development of strongly interacting dark matter theories for $Sp(4)$
  - For degenerate fermions including mediator
  - For non-degenerate fermions in isolation

- Full paper: [2202.05191]

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