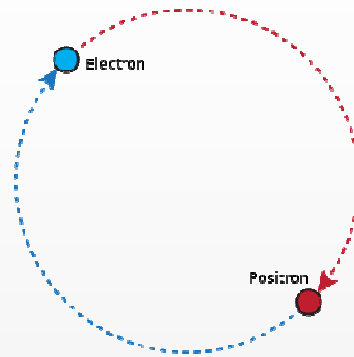


# The mystery of hadron masses

# Positronium mass



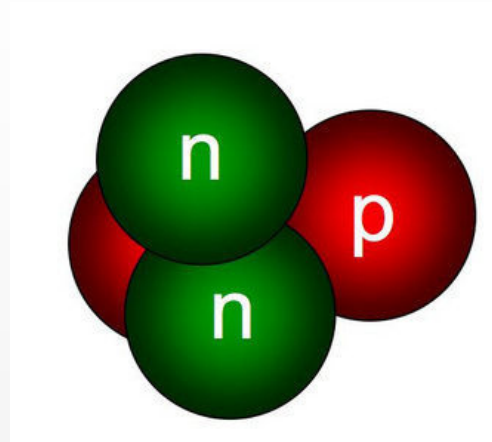
$$m_e = 0.511 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_{\text{Positronium}} = 2m_e - 6.8 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_{\text{Positronium}} \approx 2m_e$$

## Mass of the $\alpha$ particle

Nucleus of a Helium-atom



$$m_{\alpha} = 3.727379240 \text{ GeV}$$

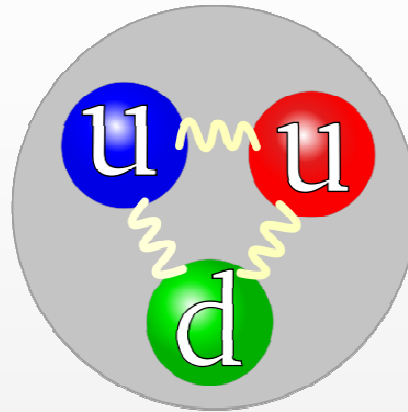
$$m_p = 0.93827 \text{ GeV} ; m_n = 0.93956 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{\alpha} \approx 2m_p + 2m_n$$

$$m_{\alpha} = (2m_p + 2m_n) - 28.2956 \text{ MeV}$$

# Proton

$$m_p = 938.27 \text{ MeV}$$

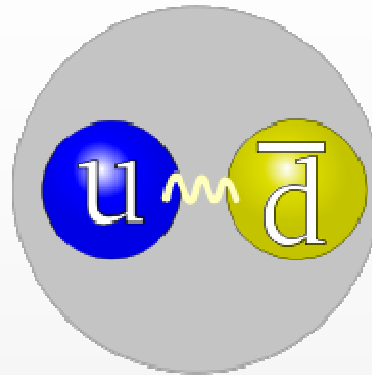


$$m_u = 2.3^{+0.7}_{-0.5} \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_d = 4.8^{+0.7}_{-0.5} \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_p \gg 2m_u + m_d \approx 10 \text{ MeV}$$

# The $\rho$ and the $\pi$ mesons



Rho-meson

$$m_{\rho^+} = 775 \text{ MeV}$$

Pion

$$m_{\pi^+} = 139 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_u + m_d \approx 7 \text{ MeV}$$

## The Lagrangian of QCD and its symmetries

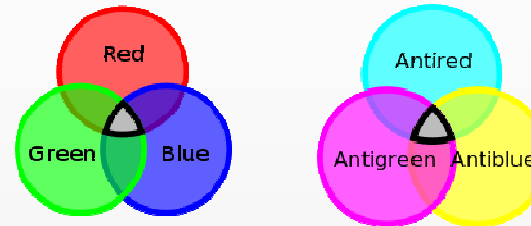


**Born** Giuseppe Lodovico Lagrangia  
25 January 1736  
Turin

**Died** 10 April 1813 (aged 77)  
Paris

# Fields of the QCD Lagrangian

Quark:  $u, d, s$   $R, G, B$



$$q_i = \begin{pmatrix} q_i^R \\ q_i^G \\ q_i^B \end{pmatrix}; \quad i = u, d, s$$

8 type of gluons ( $R\bar{G}, B\bar{G}, \dots$ )

$$A_\mu^a; \quad a = 1, \dots, 8$$

## SU(3)<sub>color</sub>: local gauge group

$$U(x) \in SU(3) \rightarrow U^\dagger U = 1, \det U = 1. \quad U = e^{it^a \theta^a}$$

$$q_i(x) \rightarrow U(x)q_i(x) \quad A_\mu = A_\mu^a t^a \rightarrow U(x)A_\mu U^\dagger(x) - \frac{i}{g_0} U(x) \partial_\mu U^\dagger(x)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} \bar{q}_i (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m_i) q_i - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu}$$

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig_0 A_\mu^a t^a$$

$$G_{\mu\nu}^a = \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a + g_0 f^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c, \quad a, b, c = 1, \dots, 8$$

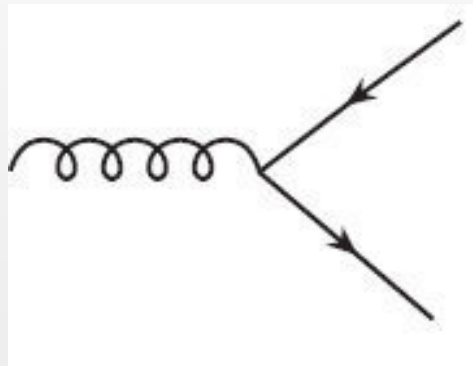
# Feynman diagrams of QCD



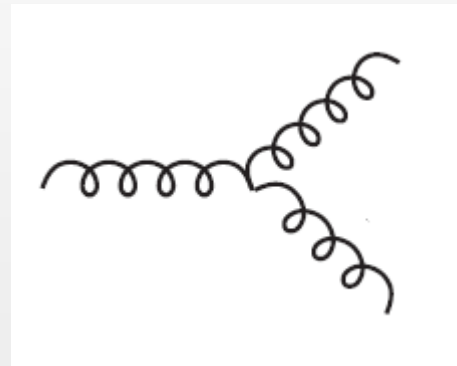
Quark



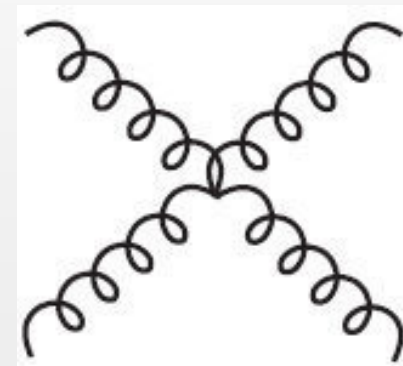
Gluon



Gluon-quark-antiquark  
vertex



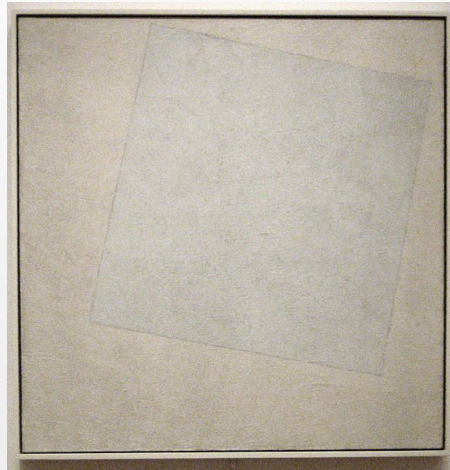
3-gluon vertex



4-gluon vertex

No ‚colored‘ state has been seen.

Confinement: physical states (hadrons) are white.



Painting of K. Malevich: ‚white on white‘.

Immediate question: bound state of gluons?

# Trace anomaly

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} \bar{q}_i (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m_i) q_i - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu}, \quad D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig_0 A_\mu^a t^a$$

**Chiral limit:**  $m_i = 0$

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x'^\mu = \lambda^{-1} x^\mu$$

is a classical symmetry broken by quantum fluctuations (trace anomaly)

$$g_0 \xrightarrow{\text{Renormierung}} g(\mu)$$

$$\partial_\mu J^\mu = T_\mu^\mu = \frac{\beta(g)}{4g} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu} \neq 0$$

$$\beta(g) = \mu \frac{\partial g}{\partial \mu}$$

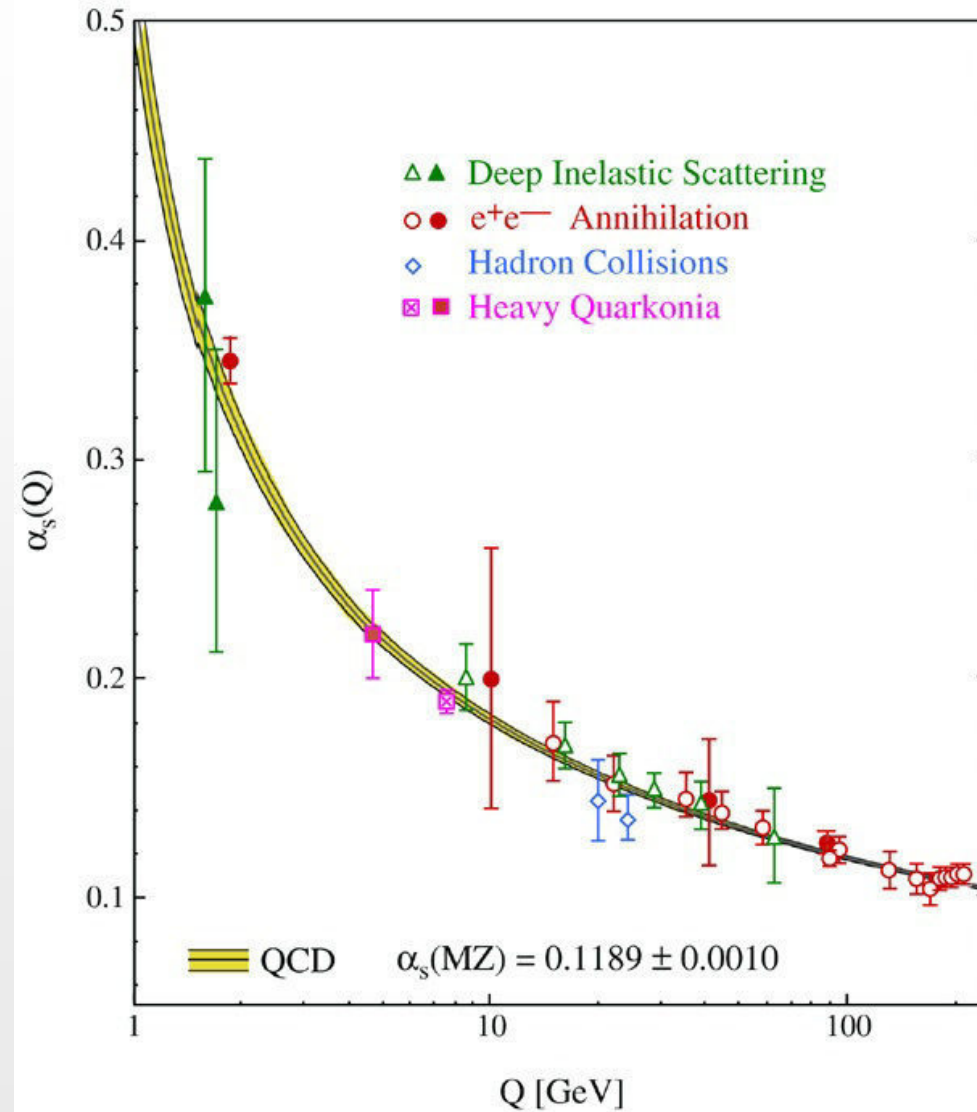
$$g^2(\mu) = \frac{1}{2b \log \frac{\mu}{\Lambda_{YM}}}$$

$$\Lambda_{YM} \approx 250 \text{ MeV}$$

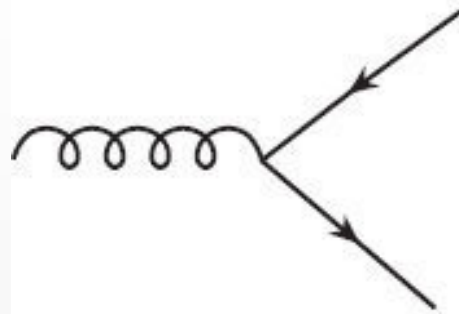
**Dimensional transmutation**

# Trace anomaly and running coupling

$$\alpha_s(\mu = Q) = \frac{g^2(Q)}{4\pi}$$



# Flavor symmetry



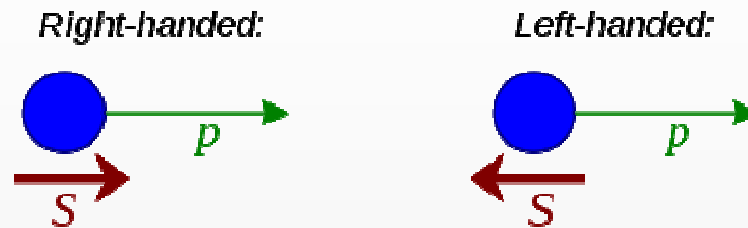
Gluon-quark-antiquark vertex.

It is democratic! The gluon couples to each flavor with the same strength

$$q_i \rightarrow U_{ij} q_j$$

$$U \in U(3)_V \rightarrow U^\dagger U = 1$$

# Chiral symmetry/1



$$q_i = q_{i,R} + q_{i,L}$$

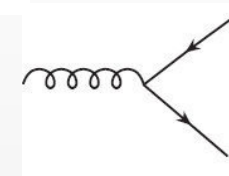
$$q_{i,R} = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma^5)q_i$$
$$q_{i,L} = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma^5)q_i$$

$$q_i = q_{i,R} + q_{i,L} \rightarrow (U_R)_{ij} q_{j,R} + (U_L)_{ij} q_{j,L}$$

$$U_R \subset U(3)_R ; U_L \subset U(3)_L$$

# Chiral symmetry/2

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_f} \bar{q}_i (i\gamma^\mu D_\mu - m_i) q_i - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G^{a,\mu\nu}, \quad D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ig_0 A_\mu^a t^a$$



$$\bar{q}_i i\gamma^\mu D_\mu q_i = \bar{q}_{i,R} i\gamma^\mu D_\mu q_{i,R} + \bar{q}_{i,L} i\gamma^\mu D_\mu q_{i,L} \quad \text{is chirally invariant}$$

$$m_i \bar{q}_i q_i = m_i \bar{q}_{i,R} q_{i,L} + m_i \bar{q}_{i,L} q_{i,R} \quad \text{is **not** chirally invariant}$$

In the chiral limit ( $m_i=0$ ) chiral symmetry is exact

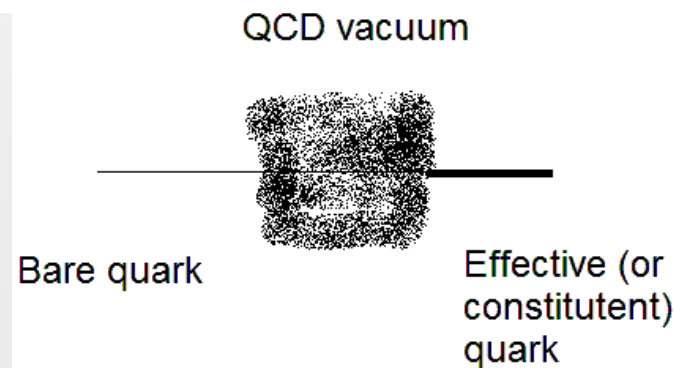
## Spontaneous breaking of chiral symmetry

$$U(3)_R \times U(3)_L = U(1)_{R+L} \times U(1)_{R-L} \times SU(3)_R \times SU(3)_L$$

$$SU(3)_R \times SU(3)_L \rightarrow SU(3)_{V=R+L} \quad \rightarrow \quad q_i \rightarrow U_{ij} q_j$$

$$\langle \bar{q}_i q_i \rangle = \langle \bar{q}_{i,R} q_{i,L} + \bar{q}_{i,L} q_{i,R} \rangle \neq 0$$

$$m \simeq 5 \text{ MeV} \rightarrow m^* \simeq 300 \text{ MeV} \gg m$$



# Masses revisited

$$m^* \approx 300 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_p \approx 3m^*$$

$$m_\rho \approx 2m^*$$

$$m_\pi \ll 2m^*$$

Pion: (quasi) Goldstone boson.  $m_\pi^2 \propto (m_u + m_d) \langle \bar{q}q \rangle$

# Symmetries of QCD: summary

**SU(3)<sub>color</sub>:** exact. Confinement: you never see color, but only white states.

**Dilatation invariance:** holds only at a classical level and in the chiral limit.  
Broken by quantum fluctuations (trace anomaly)  
and by small quark masses

**SU(3)<sub>R</sub> × SU(3)<sub>L</sub>:** holds in the chiral limit, but is broken by nonzero quark masses. Moreover, it is spontaneously broken to U(3)<sub>V=R+L</sub>

**U(1)<sub>A=R-L</sub>:** holds at a classical level, but is also broken by quantum fluctuations (chiral anomaly)