

Quantum Gravity & Entangled Particle States



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**QUANTUM MECHANICS
meets
GRAVITY**

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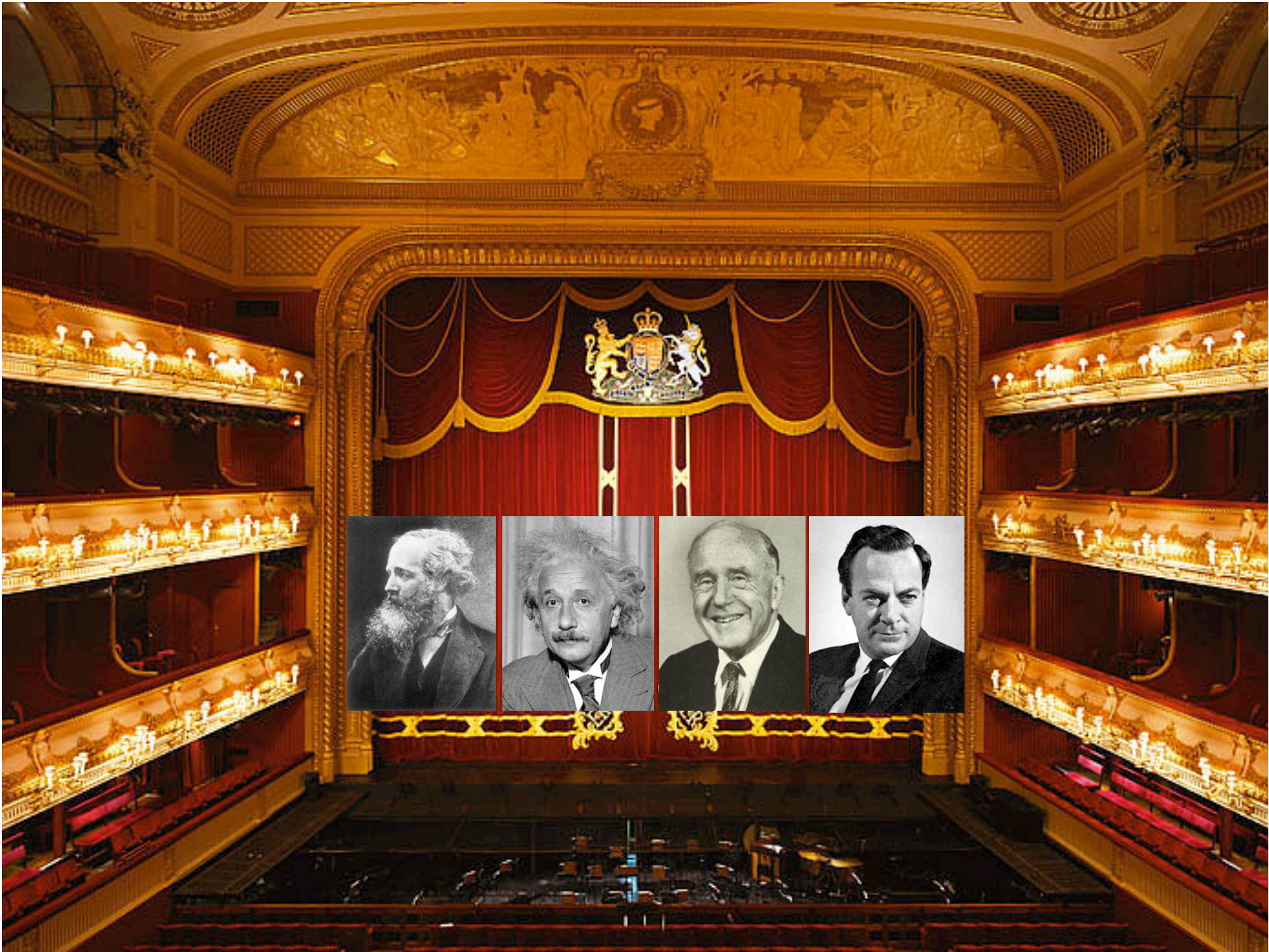
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OUTLINE

A PRELUDE - **Experimental Surprises?**: MAGIC (2005) *et al.* & OPERA (2011)

Playing with Light: Quantum Field Theories in non-trivial
Vacua & Light (superluminal) Refraction

Causality & Superluminality – not necessarily incompatible

ACT I QUANTUM GRAVITY (QG) as a non-trivial Vacuum (“Medium”)
CONCEPTS & MODELS

PHENOMENOLOGY OF QG FOAM VACUA (“FOAM-LOGY”):

Some aspects

Non-trivial Optical properties (refractive index, birefringence(?))

ACT II A STRINGY MODEL OF SPACE-TIME *D*-(effect) **FOAM**

ENTR’ACTE

ACT III QUANTUM GRAVITY, DECOHERENCE & ENTANGLED PARTICLE STATES:
QG Decoherence & CPT Violation

ACT IV PHENOMENOLOGY OF CPT VIOLATION

- (i) **EPR Modifications** – the ω -effect-
Order of Magnitude Estimates/Model dependence
- (ii) **Kaon vs B-systems and the ω -effect**

EPILOGUE: Reconciling MAGIC *et al.* with OPERA & DAΦNE-2: ***D*-FOAM**,
Further QG Tests?

The background of the slide is a photograph of a grand, ornate theater interior. The theater features multiple tiers of balconies with red seats, all illuminated by warm, golden lights. The stage is framed by an elaborate, arched proscenium with intricate carvings. The ceiling is also highly decorated with architectural details and a central medallion. The overall atmosphere is one of classic elegance and grandeur.

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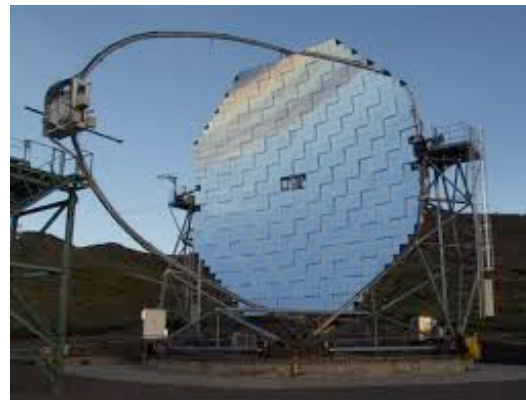
MAGIC results (2005)



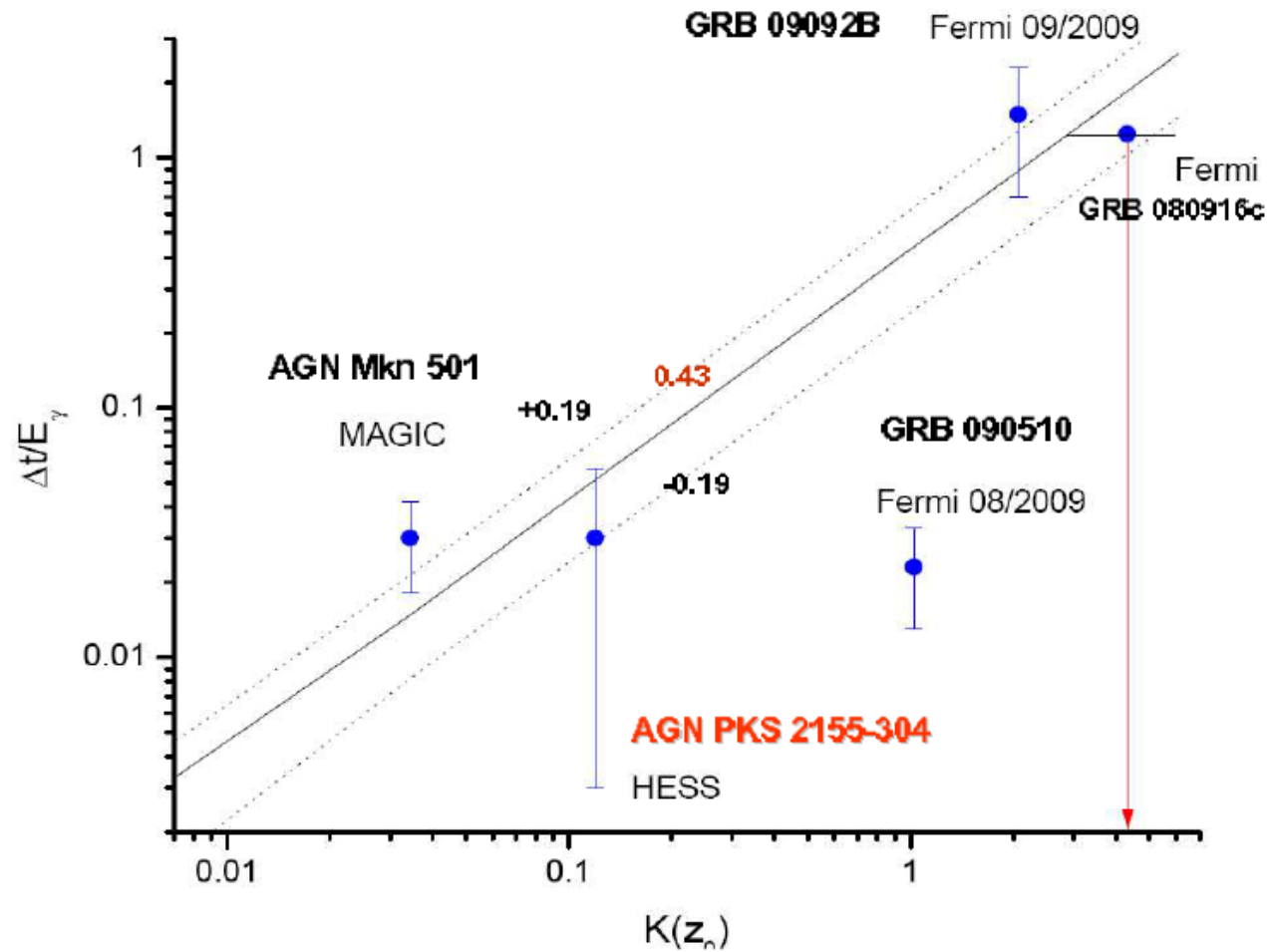
First Interesting result...
in conflict with Conventional
Astrophysical acceleration
AGN Models (e.g. Crab Nebula)

TeV Photons from
Active Galactic Nucleus
(AGN) Mkn 501 at red-shift
 $z = 0.03$

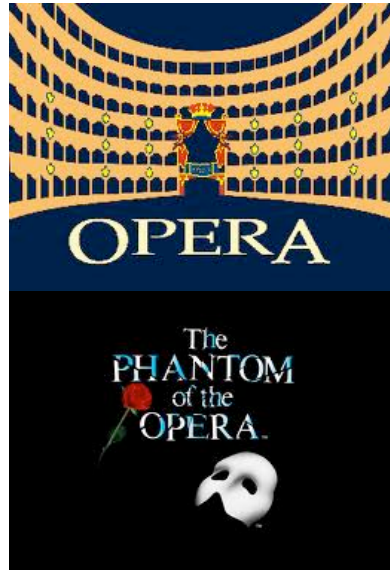
More energetic
photons (1.2 - 10 TeV)
delayed by O(1 min) compared
to $E < 0.6$ TeV



Other Observed Photon Delays (H.E.S.S, FERMI)



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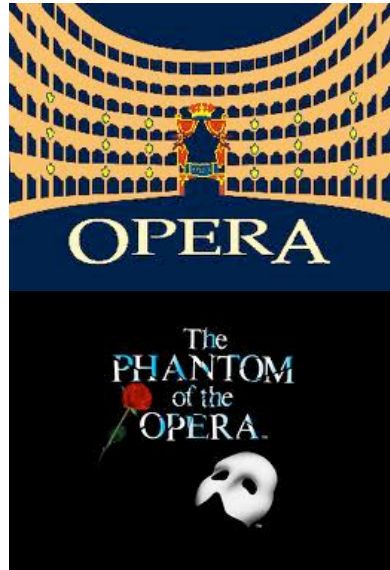
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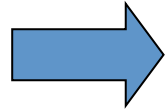
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Can MAGIC *et al.* Photon events be reconciled with OPERA within a fundamental new physics framework?

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Lorentz Invariance



Speed of Light in Vacuo = c (Universal constant)

But in MATERIAL SYSTEMS light propagates with different speed, $v_{\text{light}} \neq c$

NON TRIVIAL REFRACTIVE INDEX

Phase velocity

$$v_{\text{light}} = \frac{c}{\eta}$$

Group Velocity

$$v_{\text{group}} = \frac{\partial \omega}{\partial k} \neq c$$

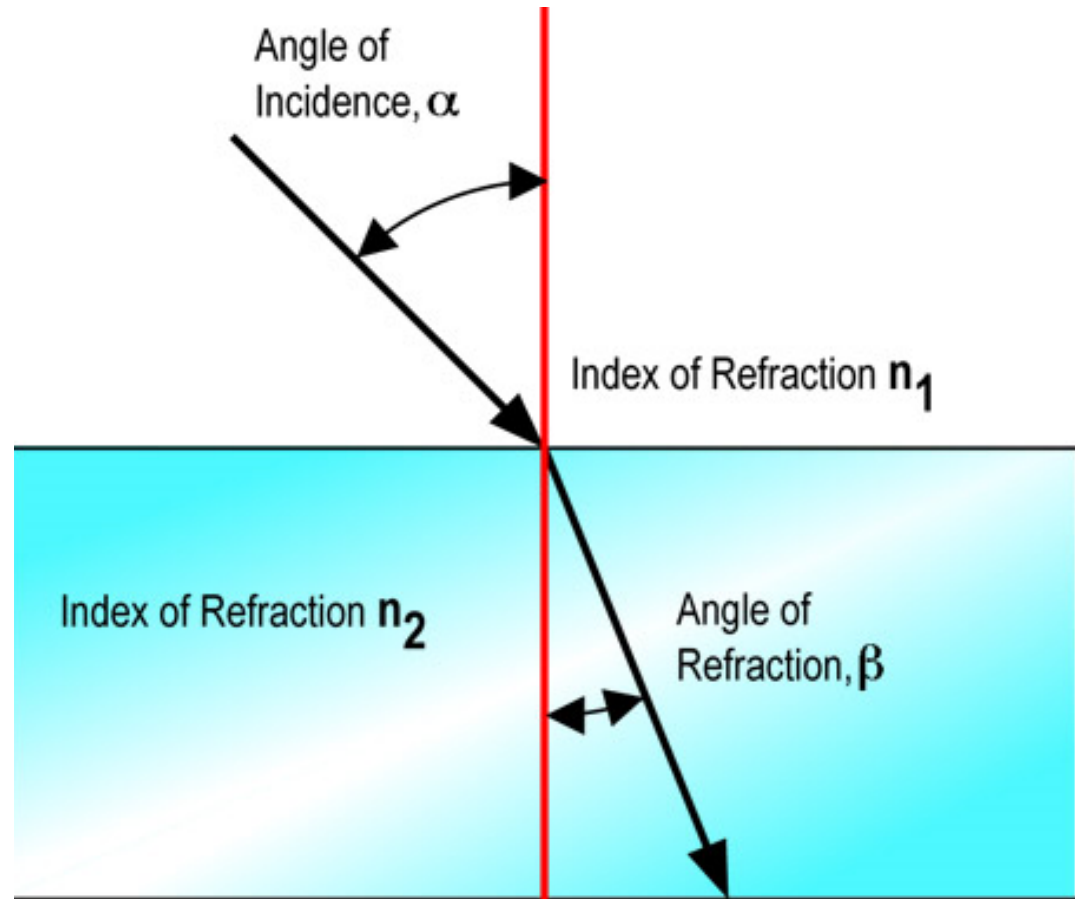
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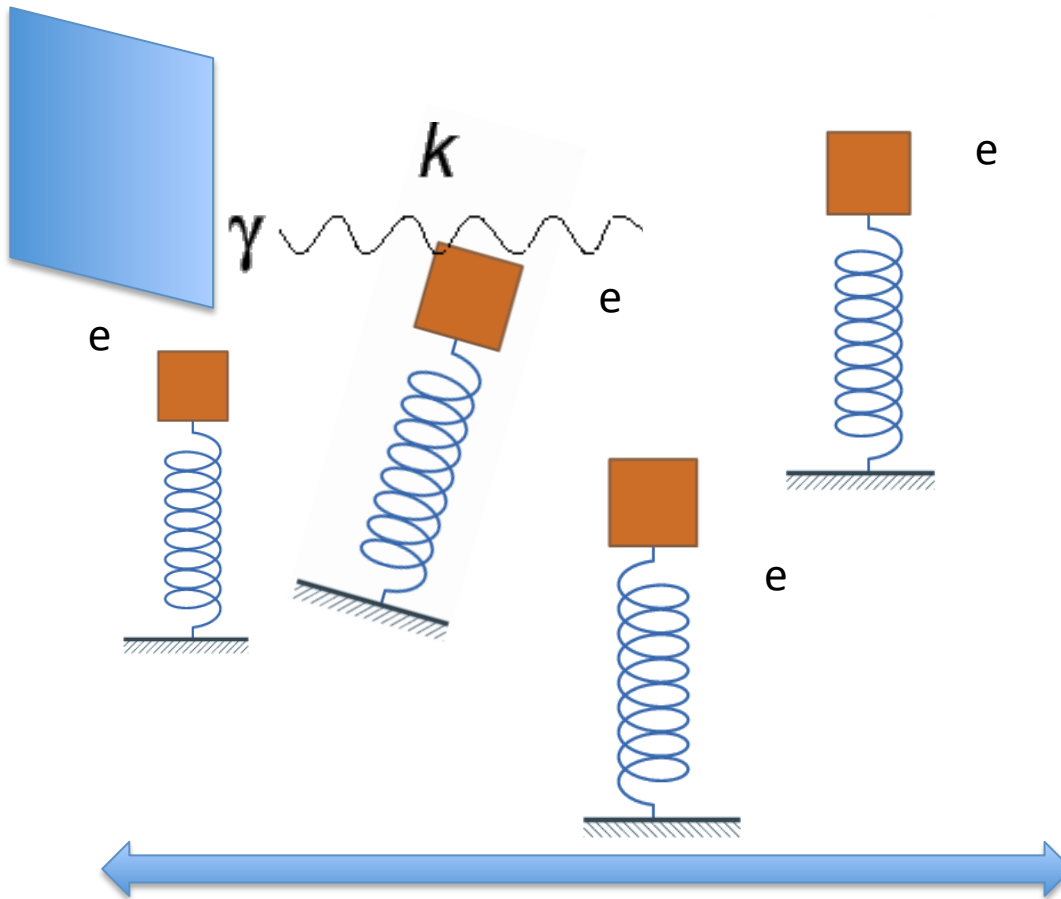
$$n_1 \sin \alpha = n_2 \sin \beta$$

QUANTUM MECHANICS & REFRACTIVE INDEX

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Electron area density $n_e = \rho_e \Delta z$ ($\rho_e =$ volume density of electrons)



$$m \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} x + \omega_0^2 x \right) = e E_0 e^{i\omega t}$$

Excited-atoms produced electric field

$$E_a = -\frac{en_e i}{\epsilon_0 c} \frac{e E_0}{m(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)} e^{i\omega(t-z)},$$

Speed of photons in medium c/n suppressed by refractive index n causing **delay** $\Delta t = (n-1)\Delta z / c$

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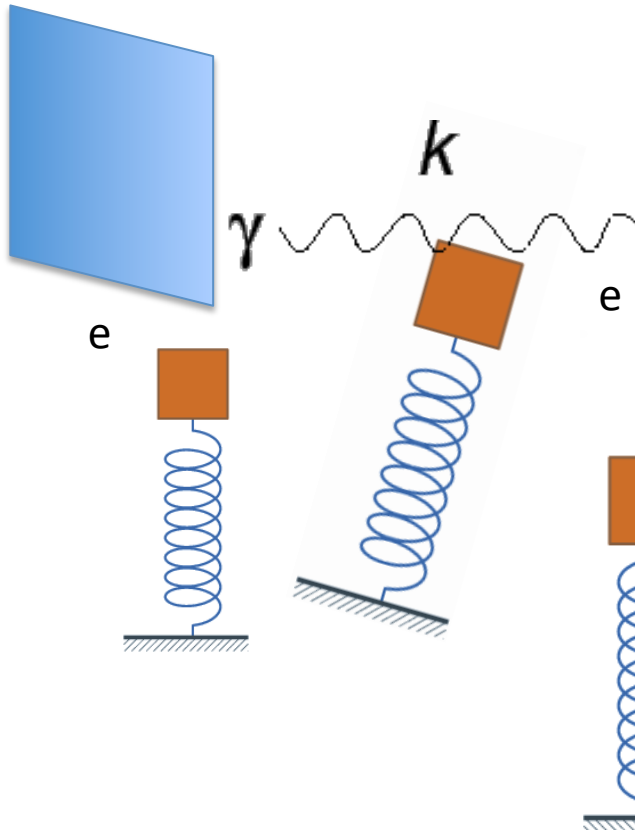
Distance Δz traversed by photons

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REFRACTIVE INDEX INVERSELY PROPORTIONAL TO PHOTON ENERGIES (cf. MATTER EFFECTS)

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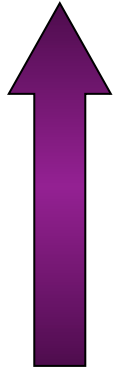
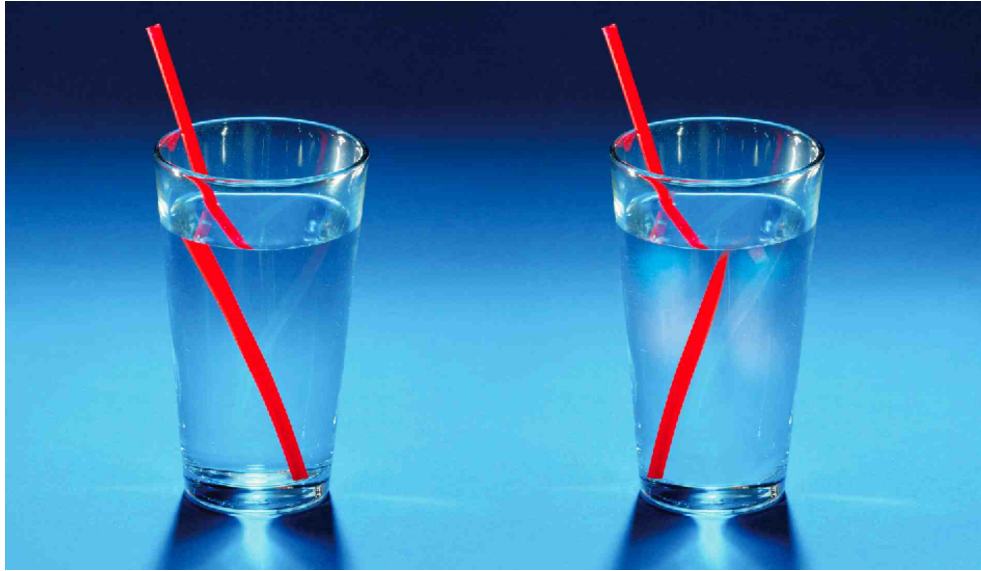
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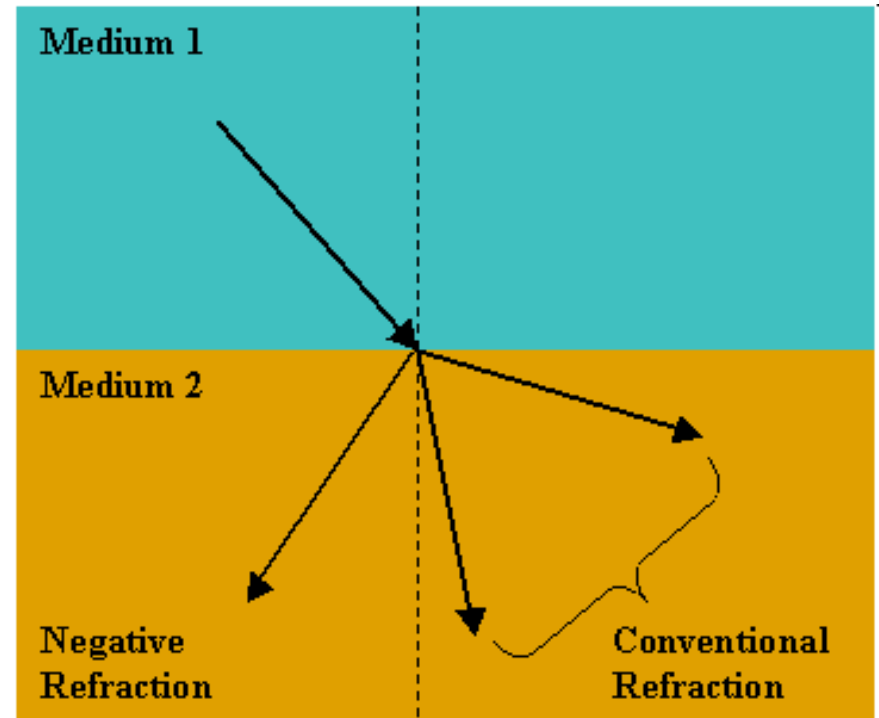
Depending on
Light Polarization

BIREFRINGENCE

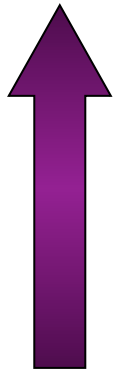
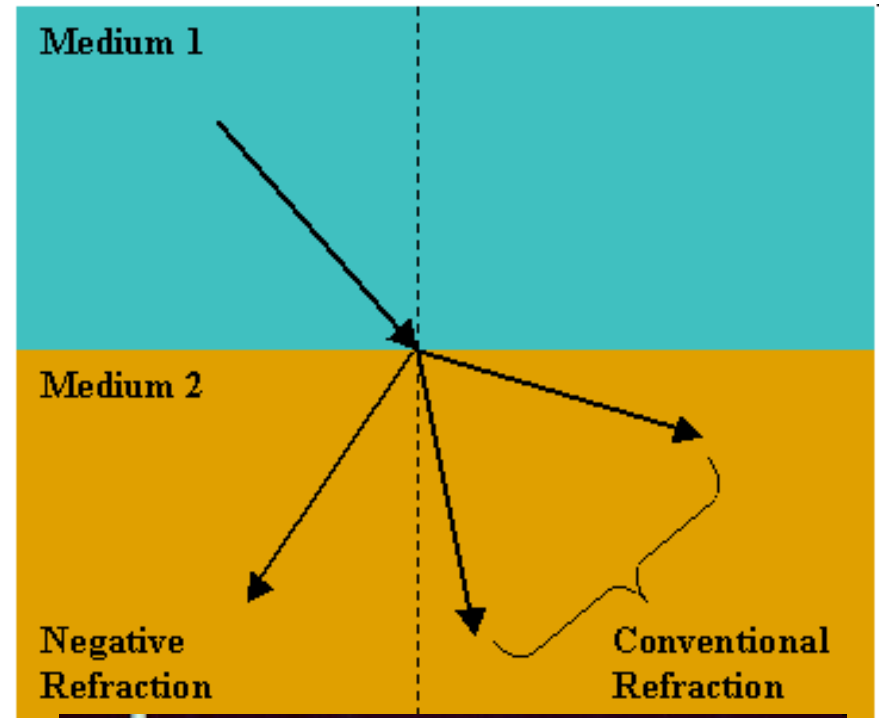
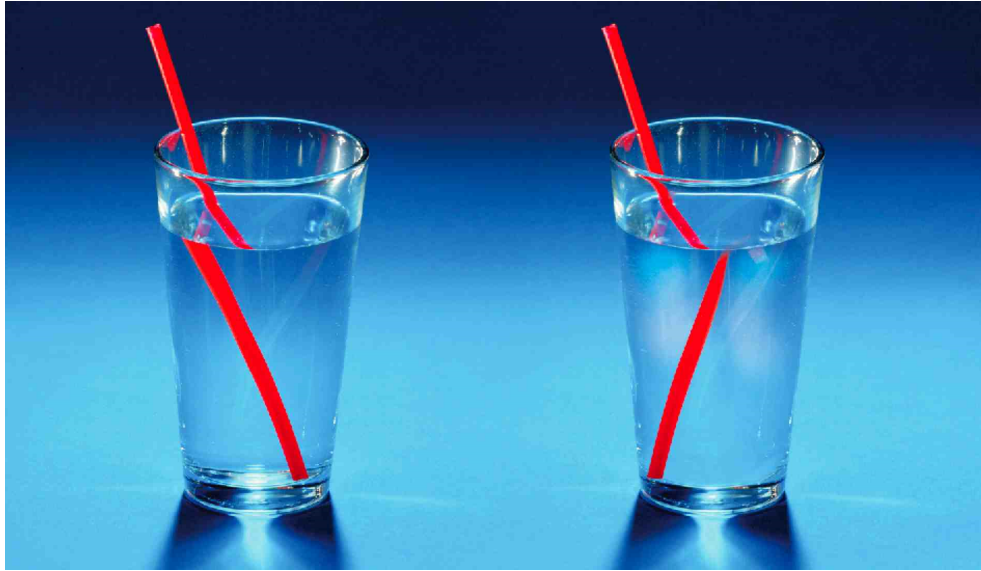
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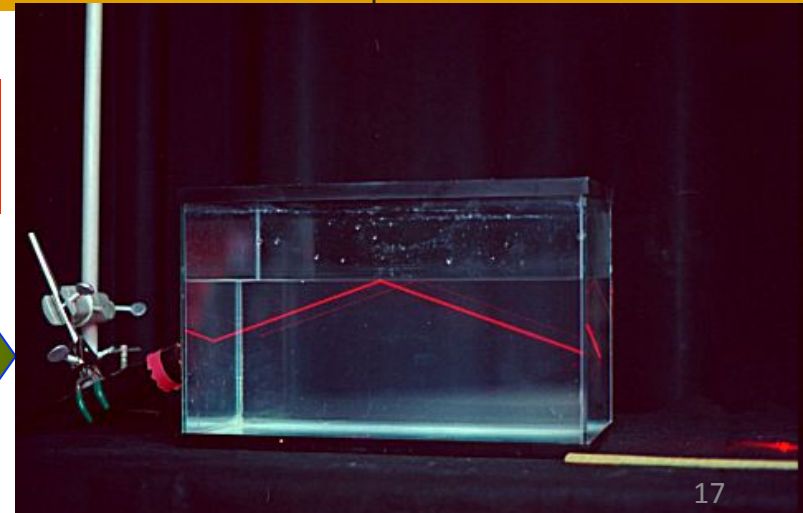
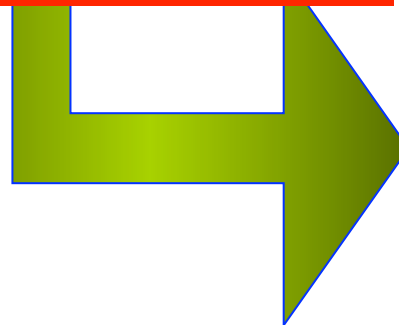


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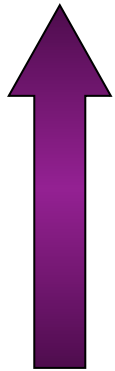
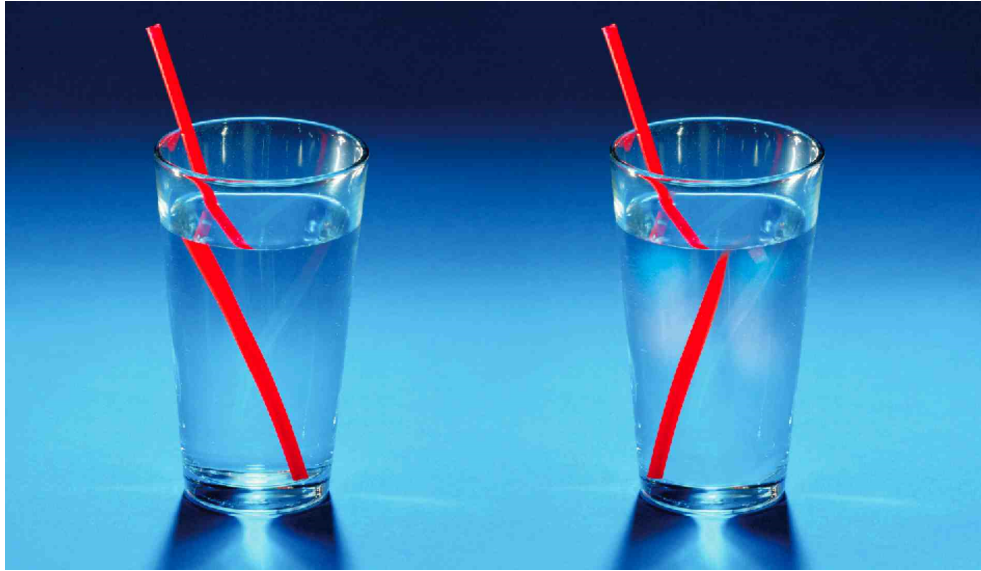
Negative Refractive Index metamaterials

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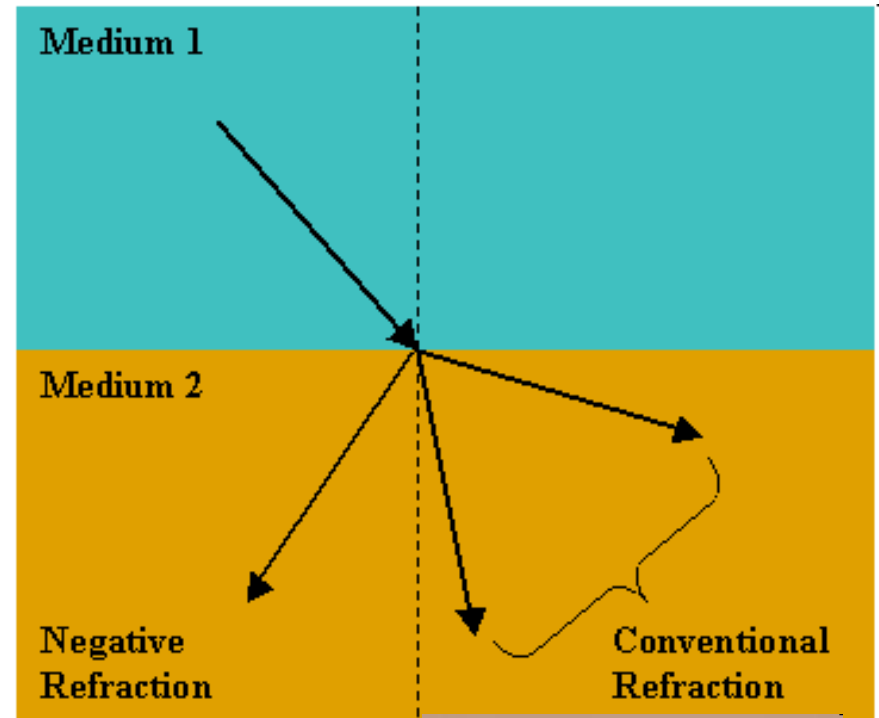


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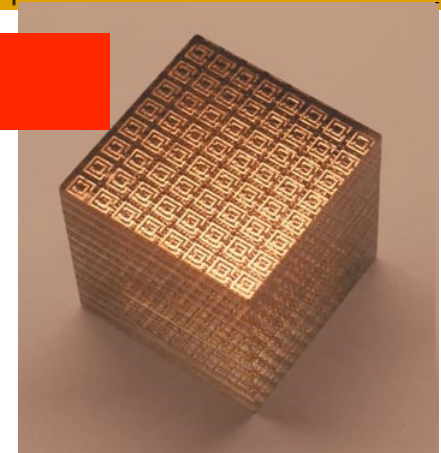
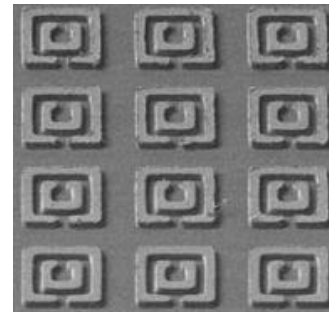
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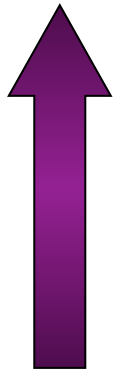
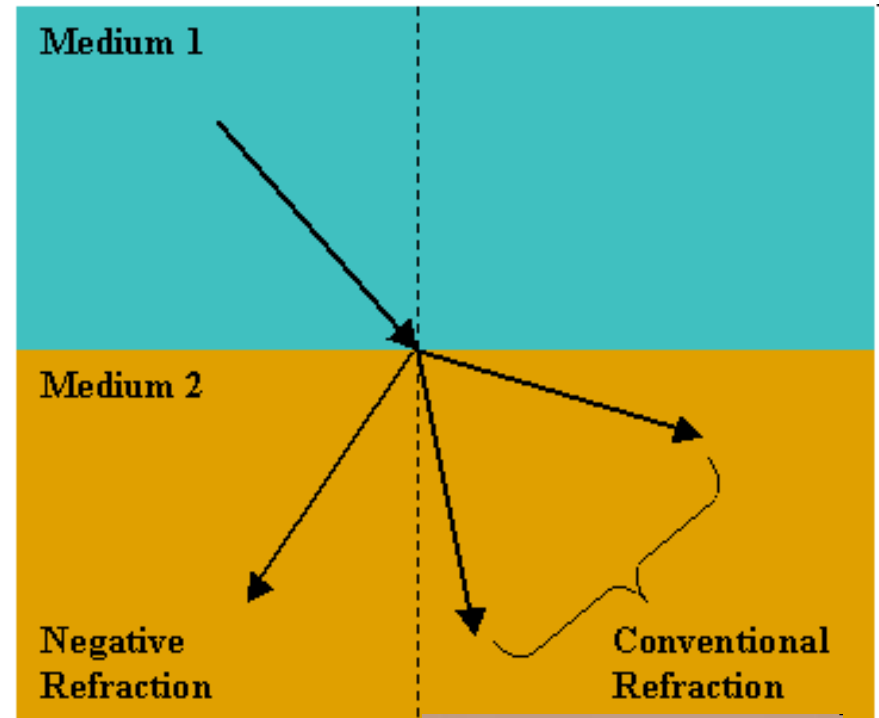
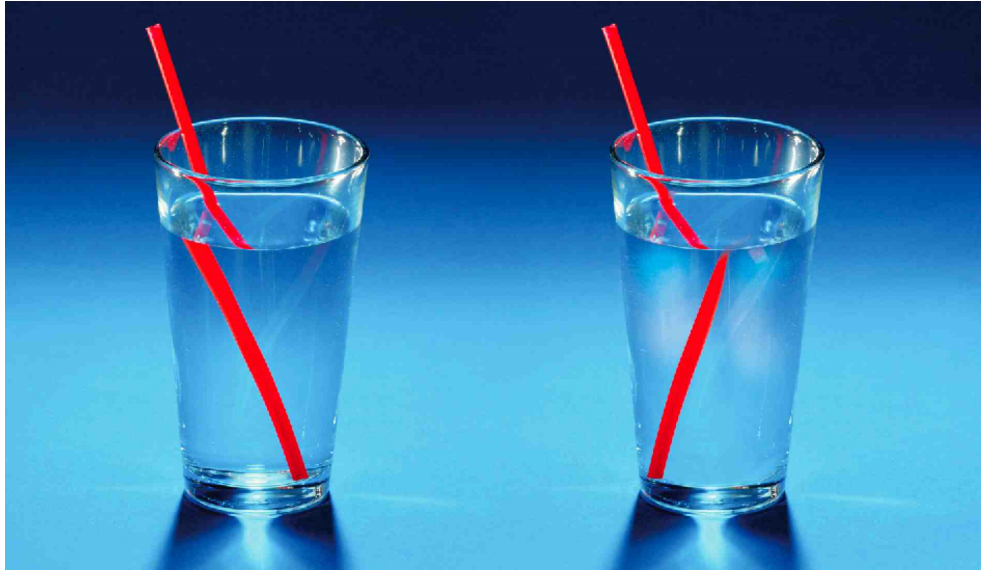
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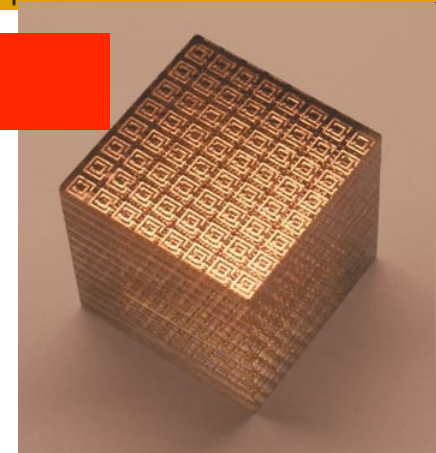
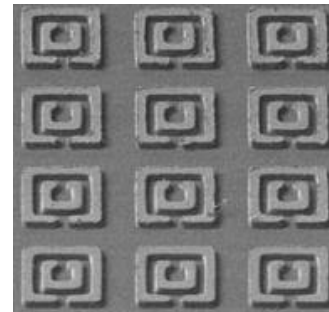


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**WEIRD
GEOMETRIES
& Boundary
conditions**



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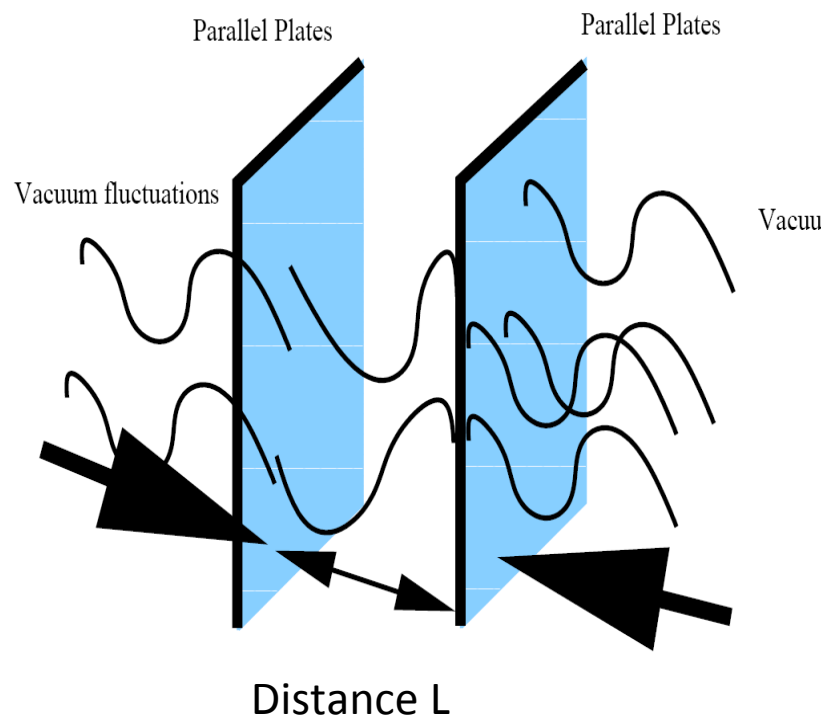
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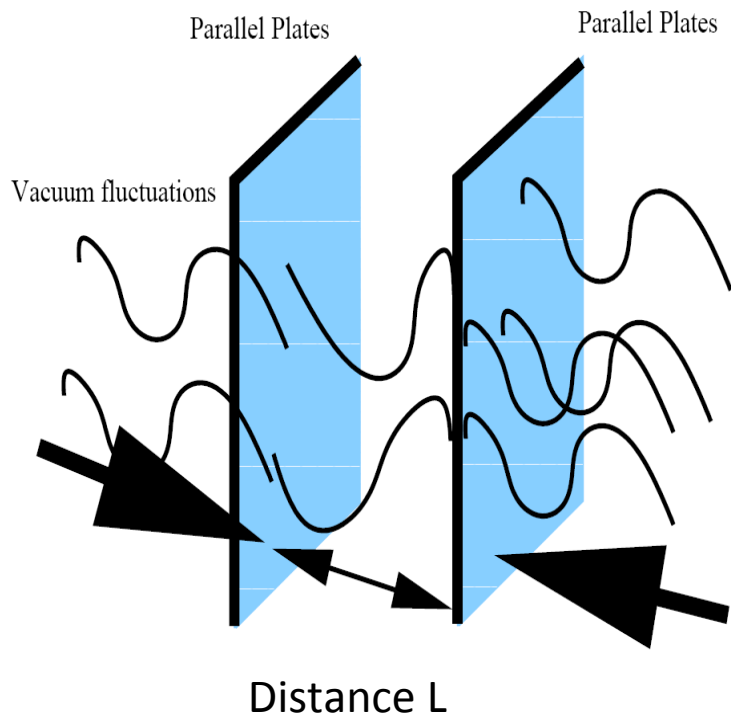
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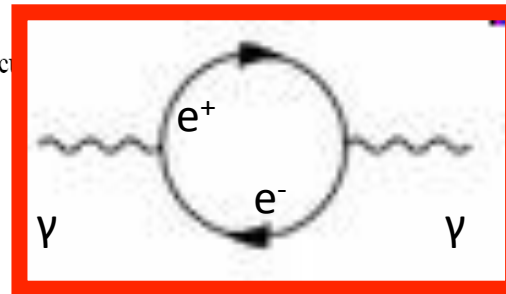
Scharnhorst (1990), Barton (1990)
Lattore, Pascual, Tarrach (1995)

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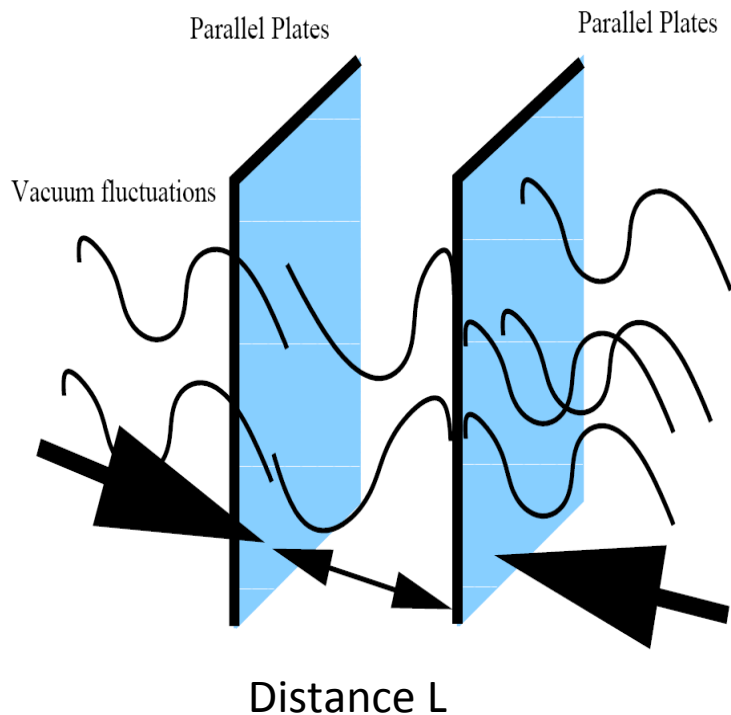
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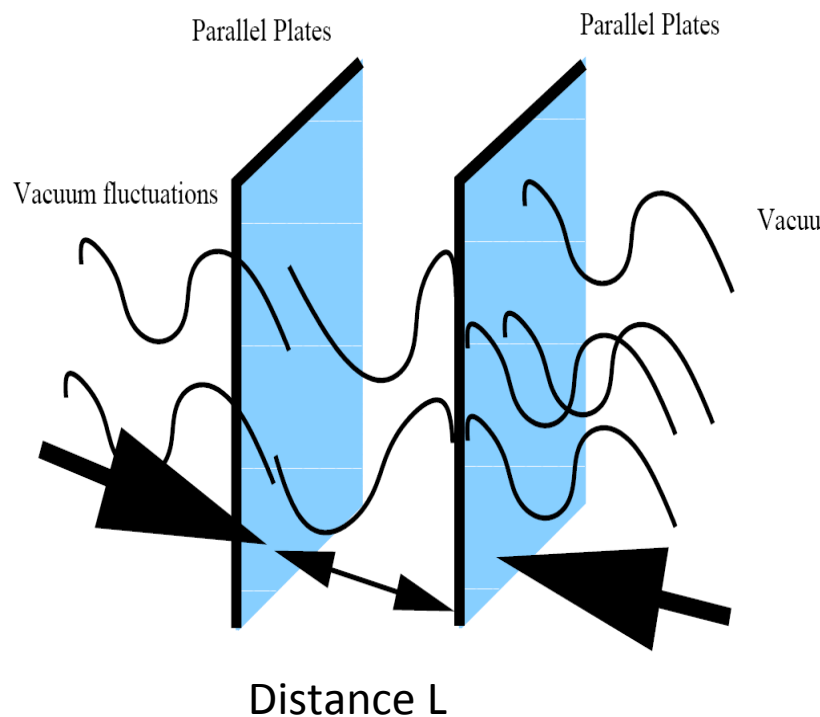
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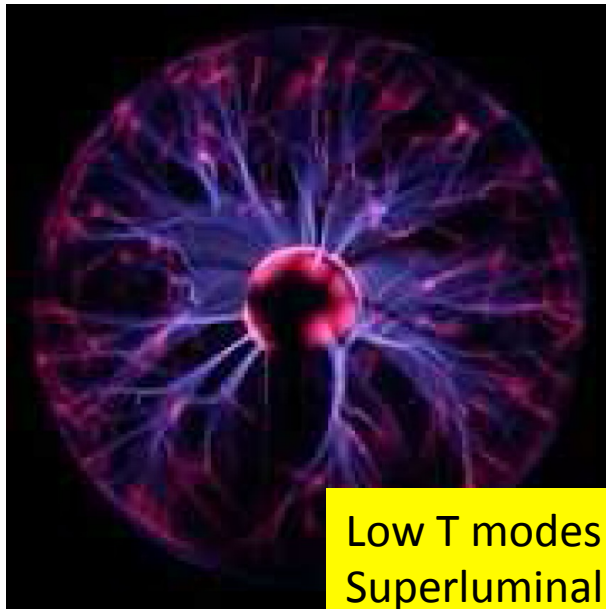
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**Boundary Conditions Break Lorentz Symmetry
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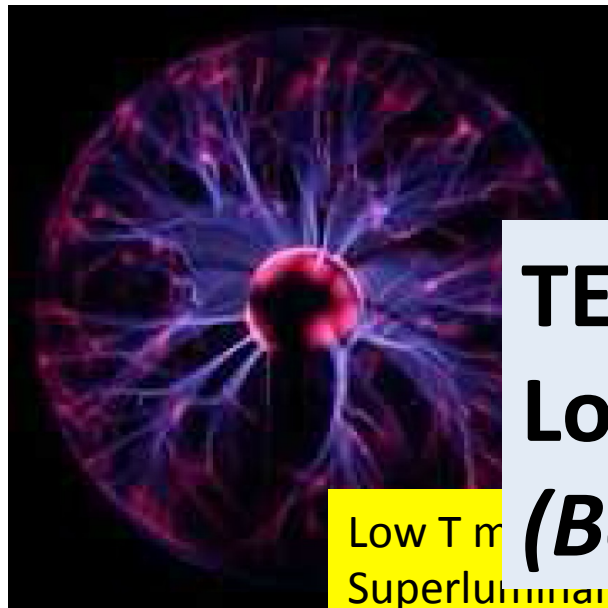
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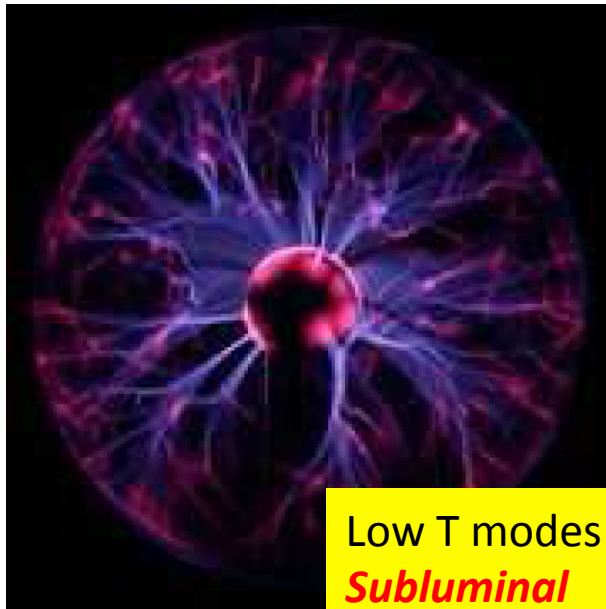
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CURVED SPACE-TIME BACKGROUNDS

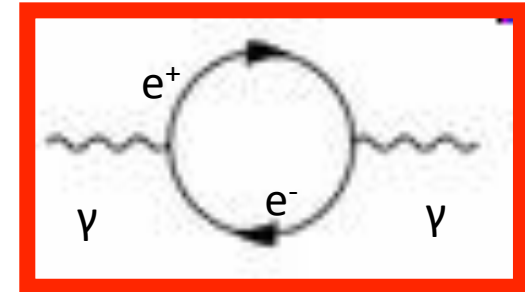
Drummond & Hathrell (1980)

VACUUM POLARIZATION EFFECTS IN QED IN CURVED BACKGROUNDS

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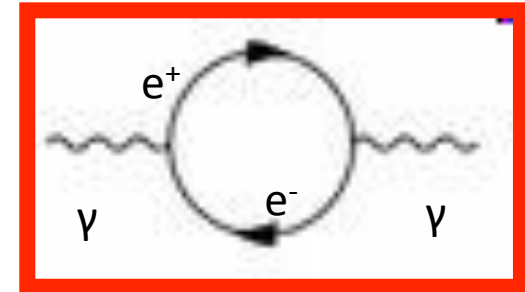
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Energy density of
non-trivial vacua may
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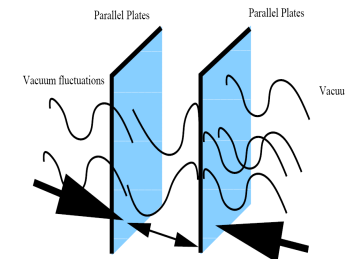
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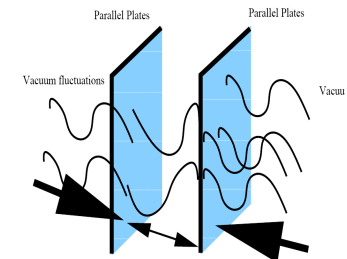
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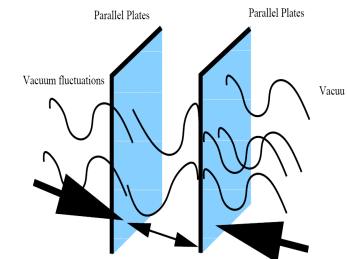
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But also two ``gravitational'' scales:

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(ii) the bulk (extra dimensional) one, which is the *string mass scale* characterizing string theory itself, and may be as low *as a few TeV*

Towards Background independence via AdS/CFT

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cf. Amelino – Camelia talk ⁴⁵

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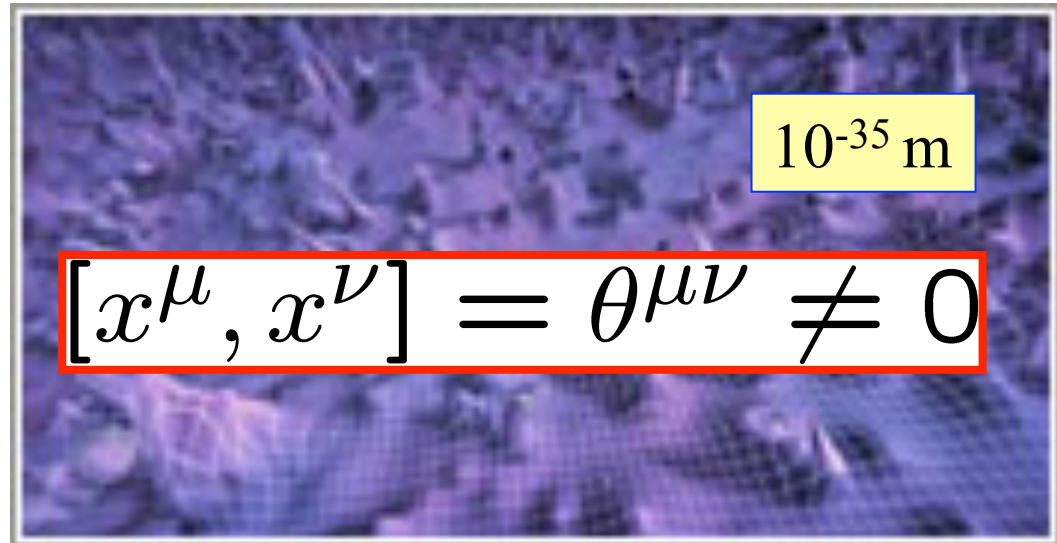
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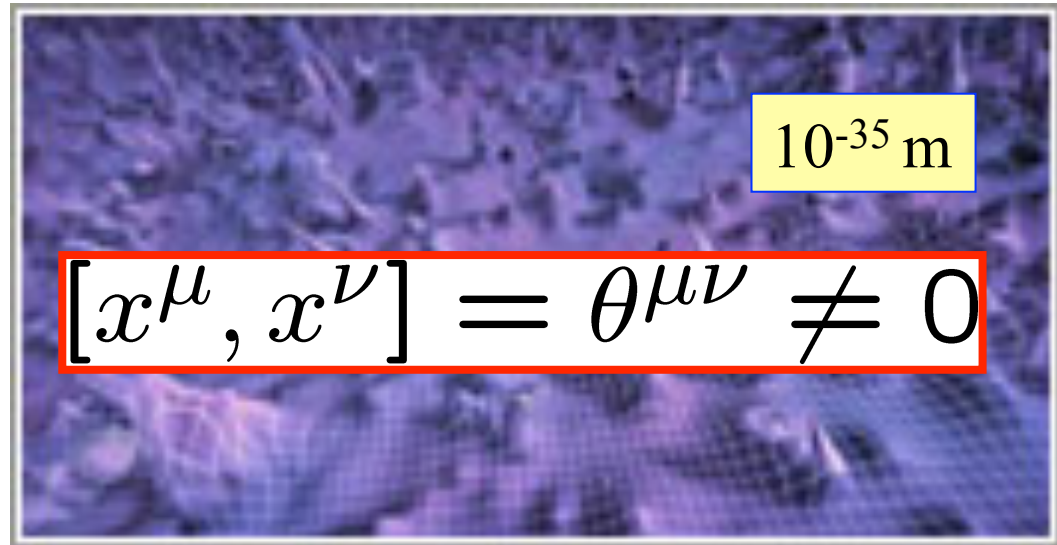


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ACT I
"FOAM" OLOGY
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Some Aspects

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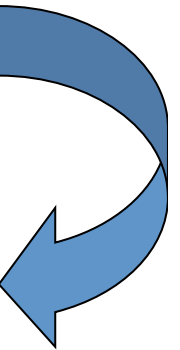


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subluminal : $\eta > 1$, superluminal $\eta < 1$

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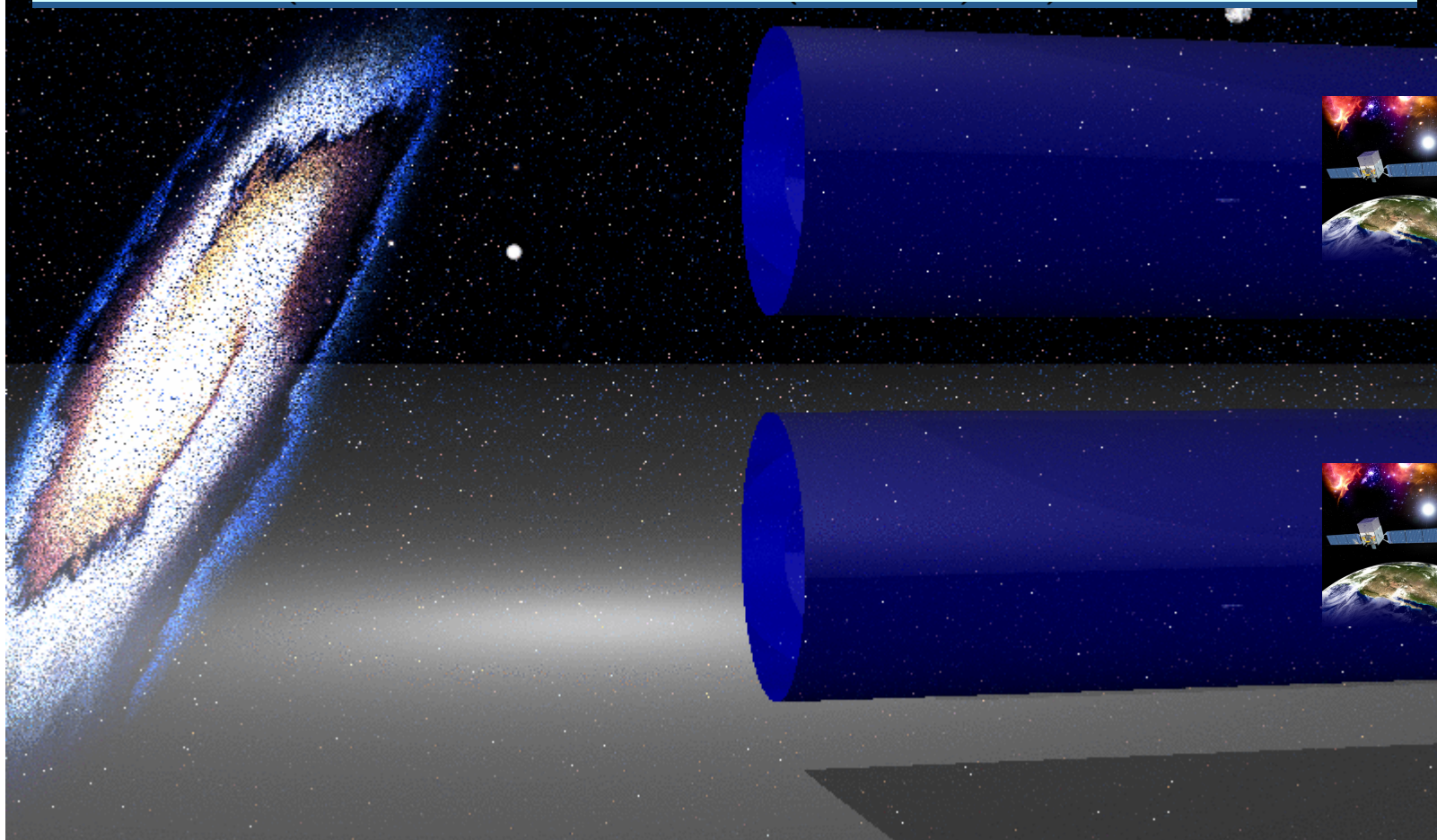


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Subluminal QG-induced Refractive Index: Higher energy photons arrive later

Courtesy: N. Doltsinis@kcl.ac.uk

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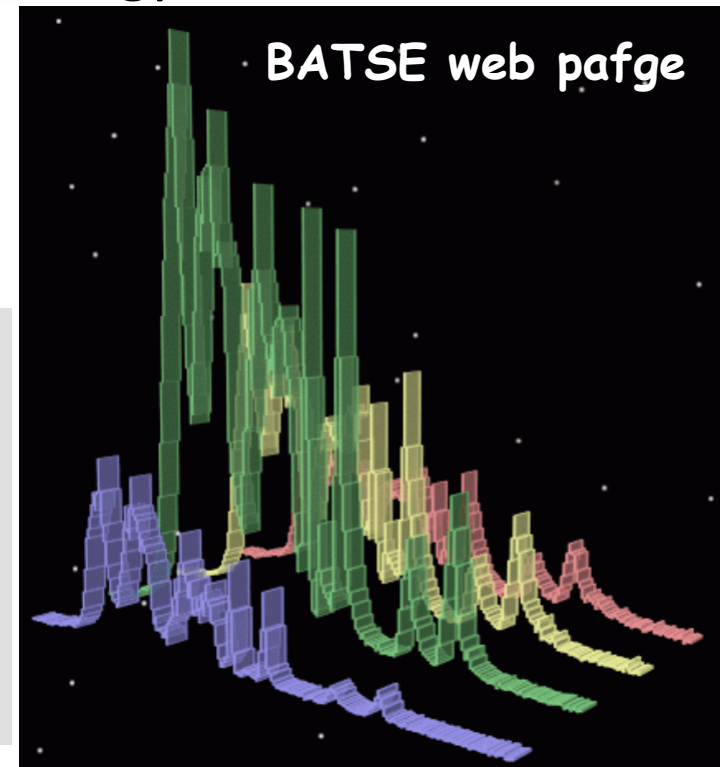


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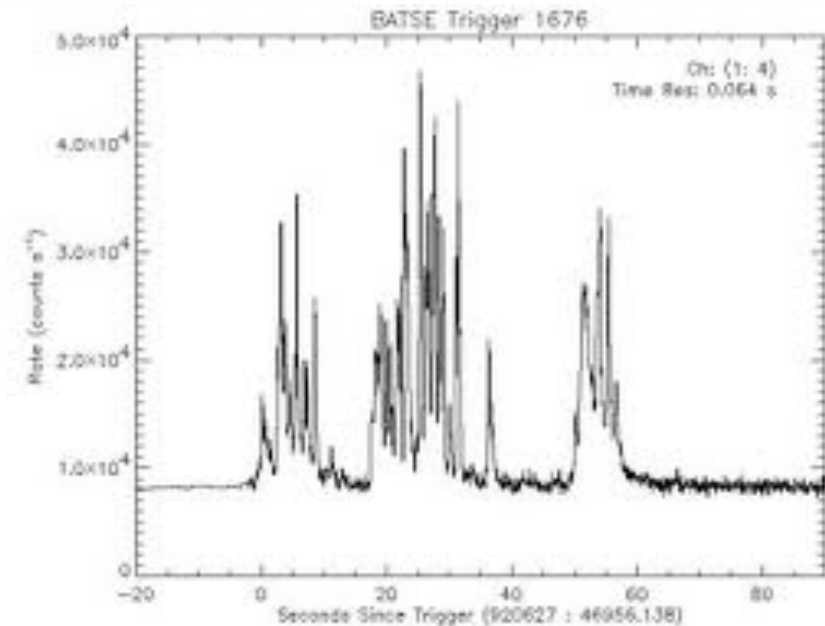
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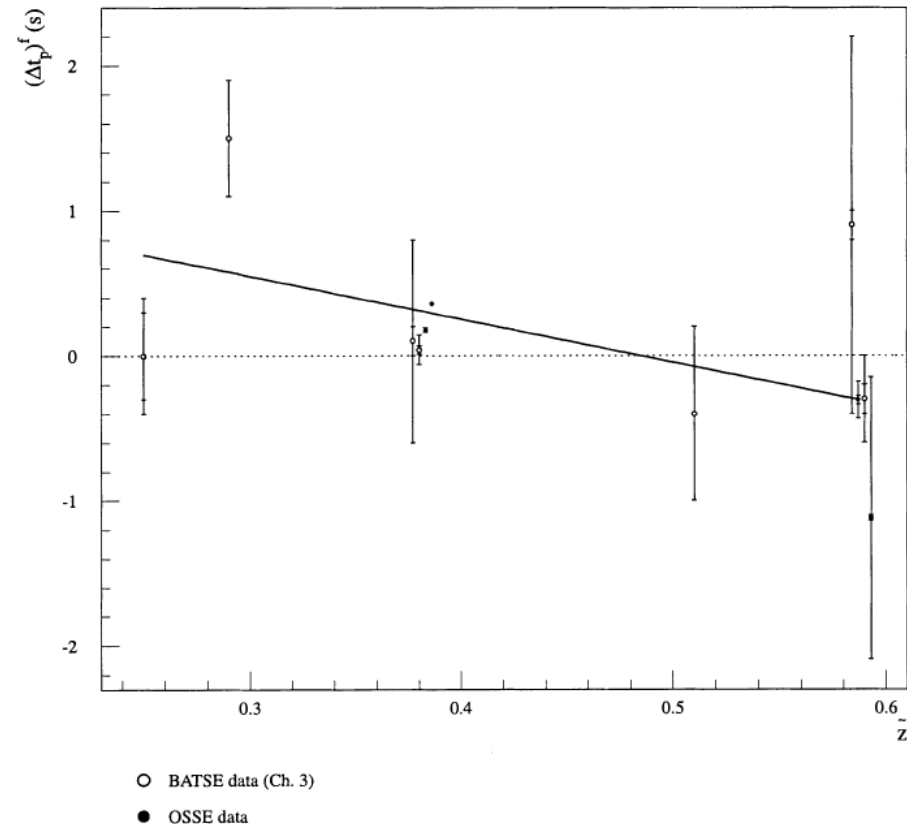
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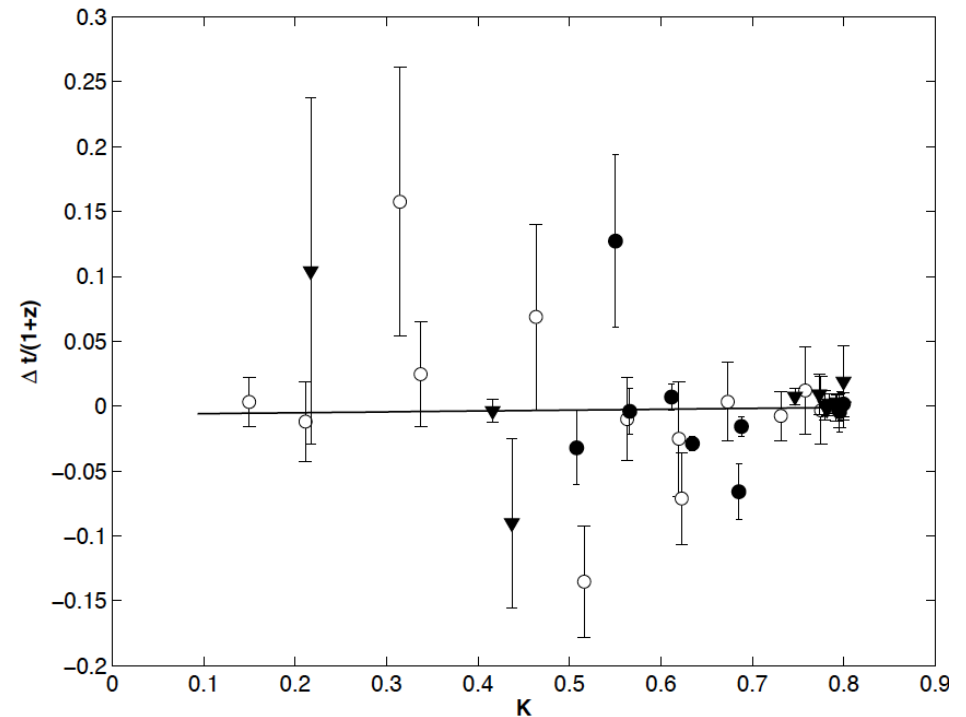
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MAGIC results (2005)



First Interesting result...
in conflict with Conventional
Astrophysical acceleration
AGN Models (e.g. Crab Nebula)

TeV Photons from
Active Galactic Nucleus
(AGN) Mkn 501 at red-shift
 $z = 0.03$

More energetic
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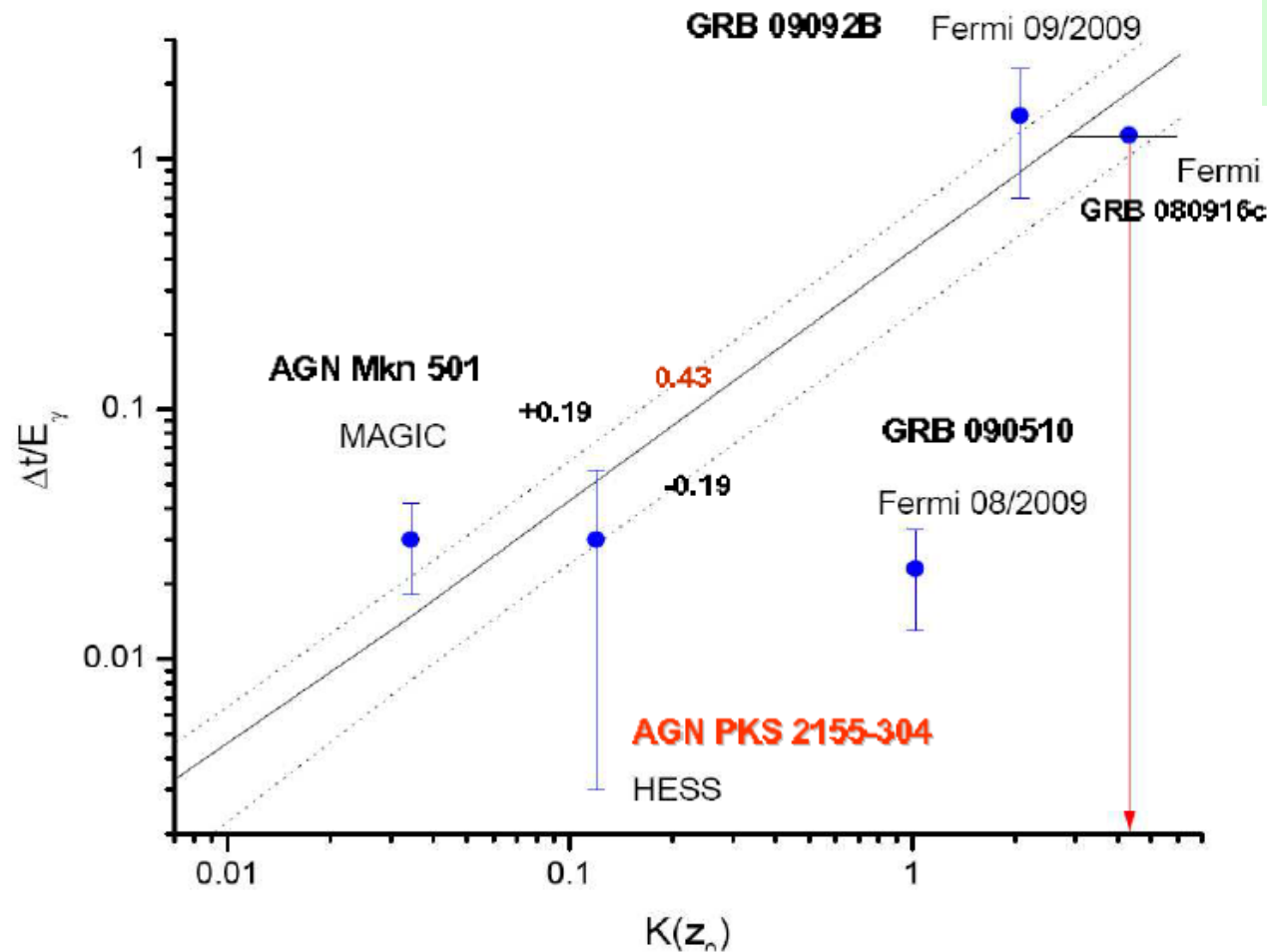
Interestingly can fit **QG**
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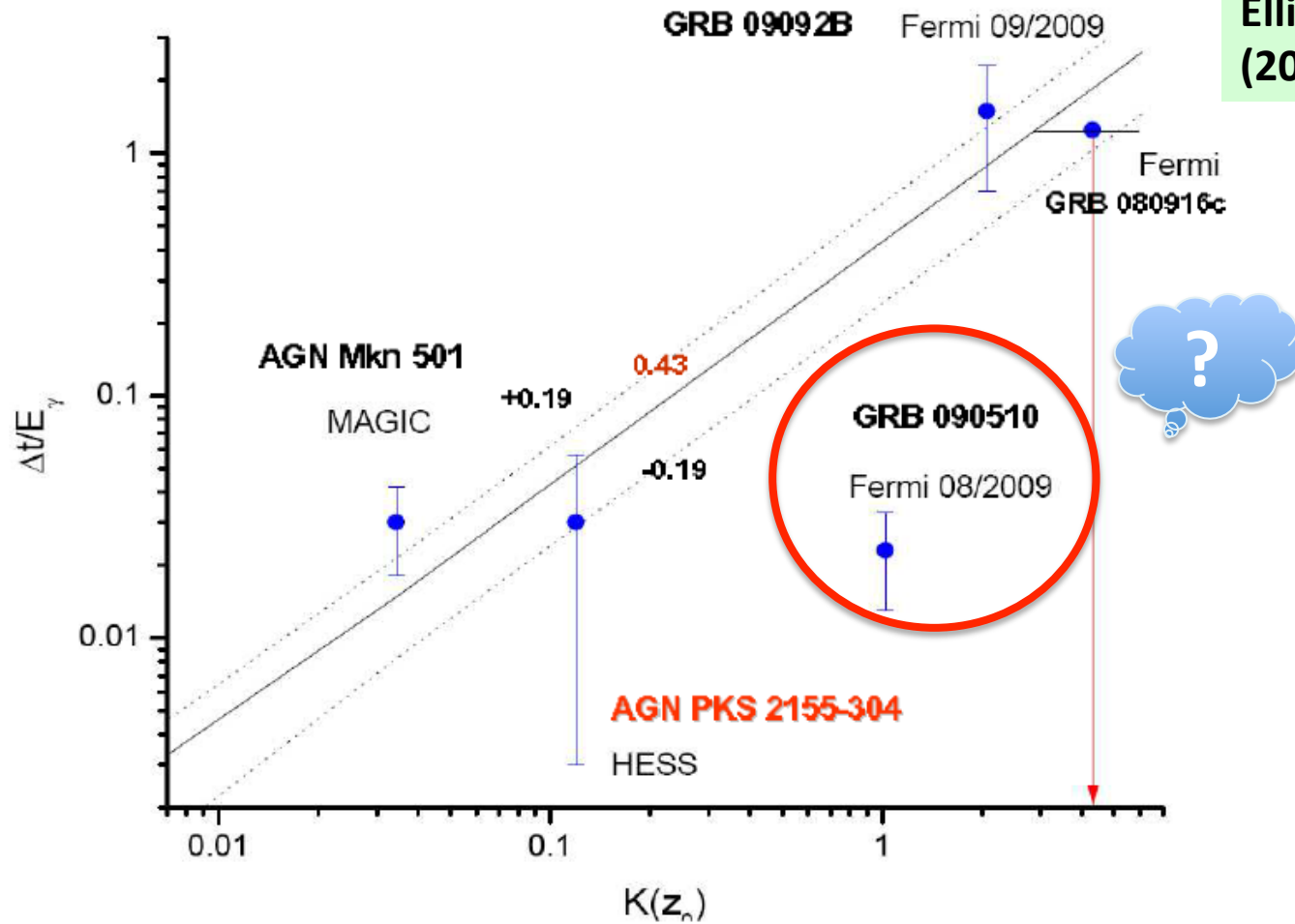
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OPERA v2

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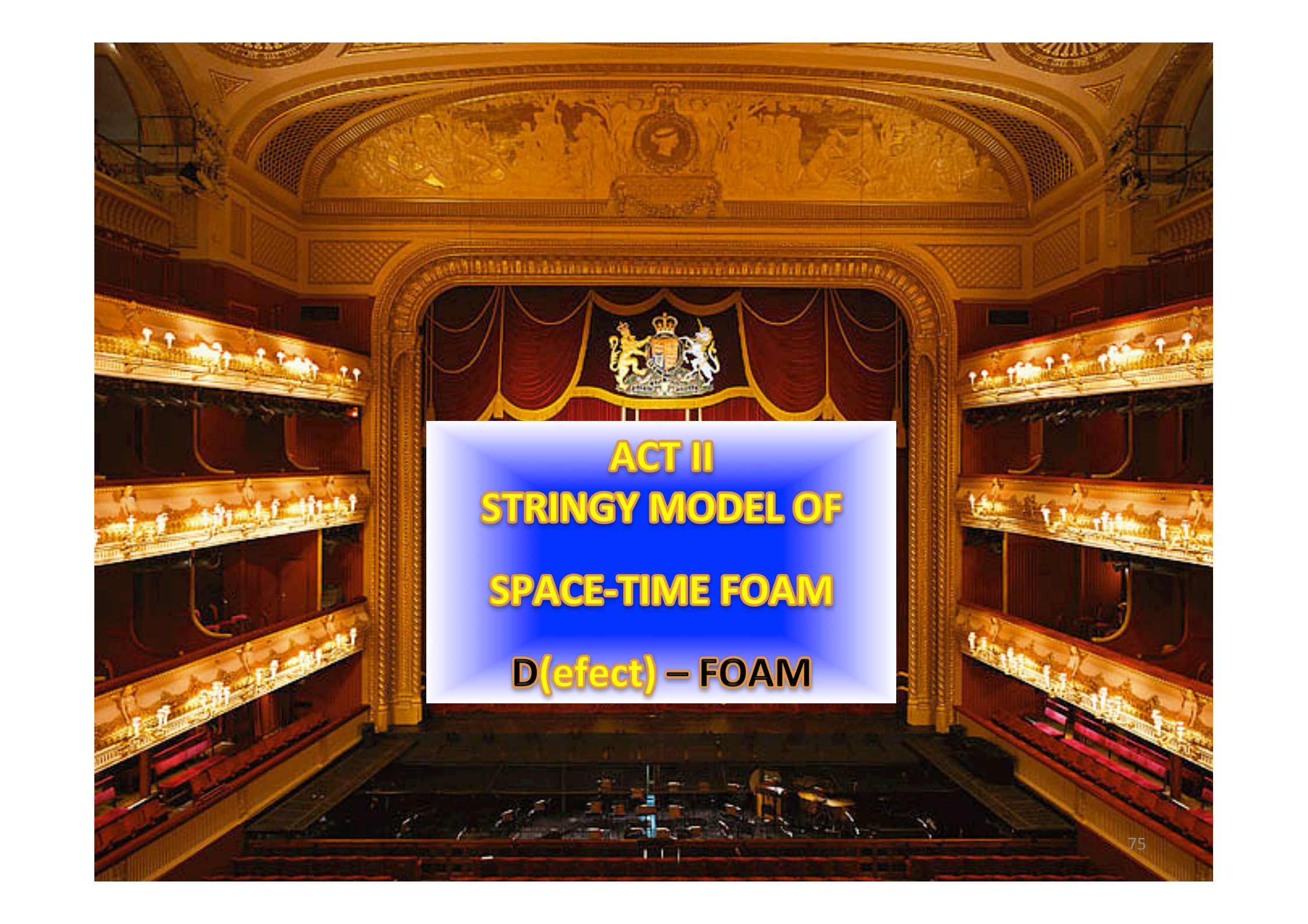
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MODEL INSPIRED FROM STRING THEORY



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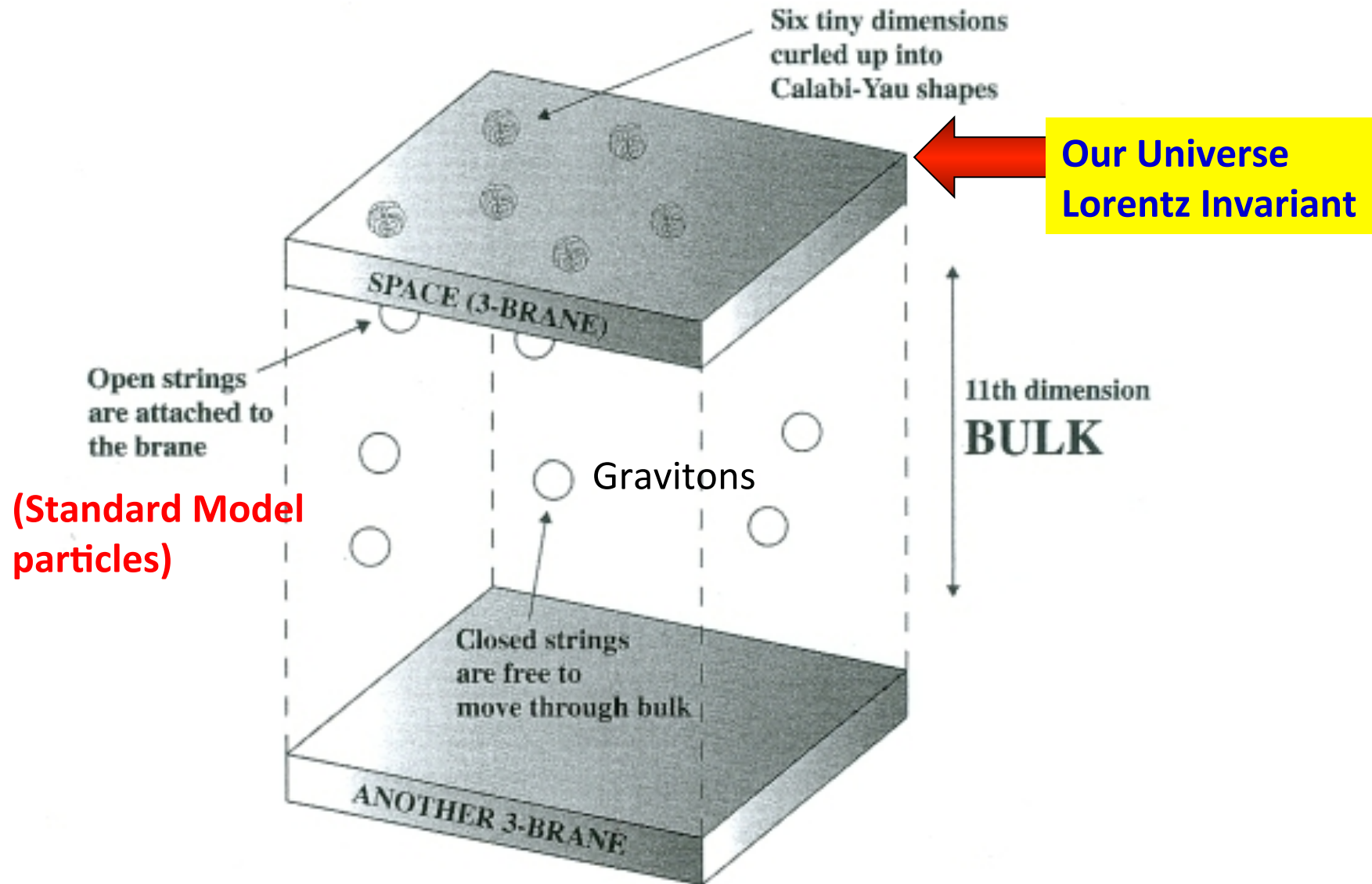
ACT II
STRINGY MODEL OF
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“Foamy Structures” in String Theory

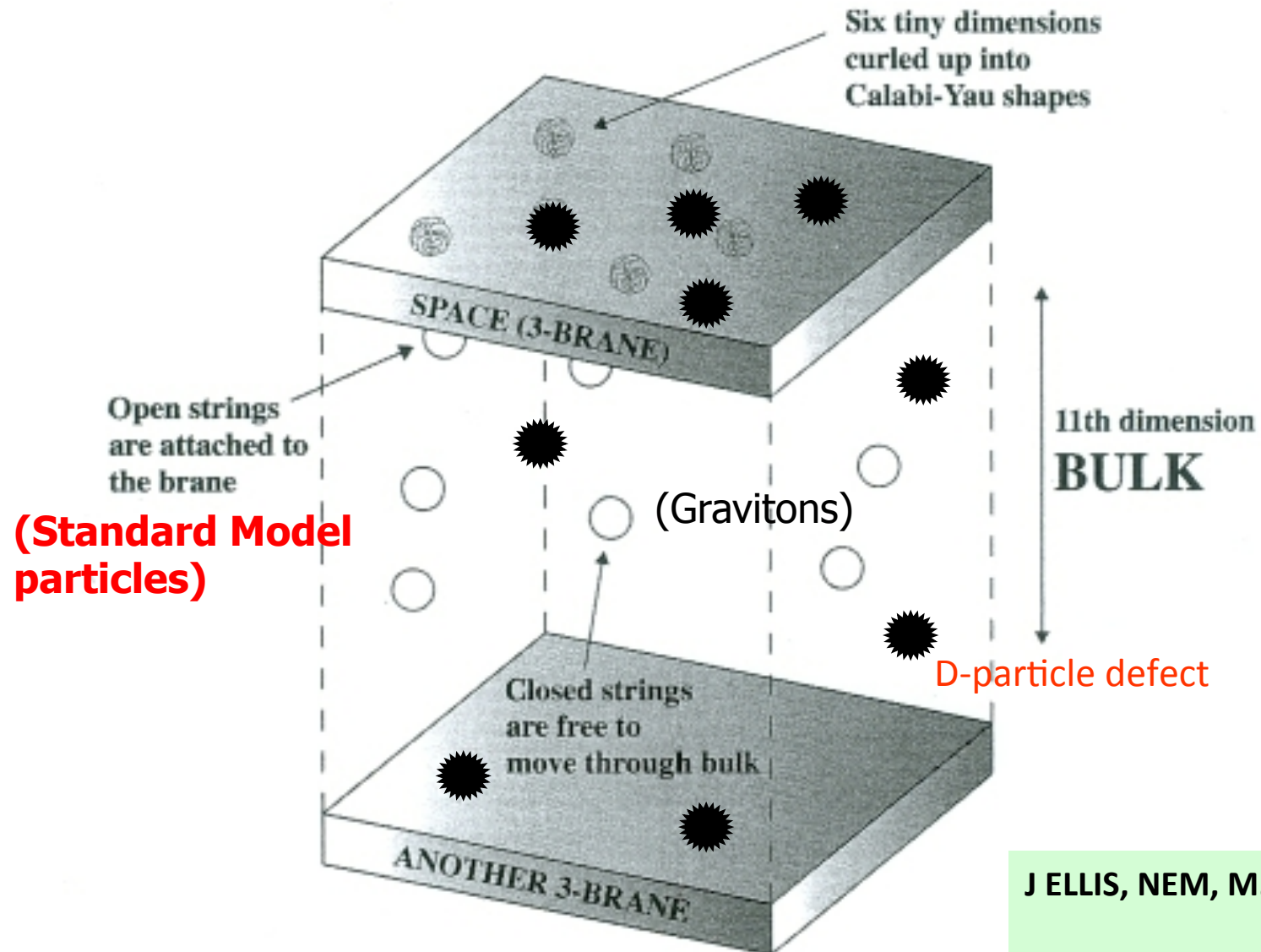
- Foamy space-time structures may also be provided by higher-dimensional space-time “*real Defects*” in the modern version of string theory involving *branes* (*D-Foam*)

Ellis, NEM, Nanopoulos,
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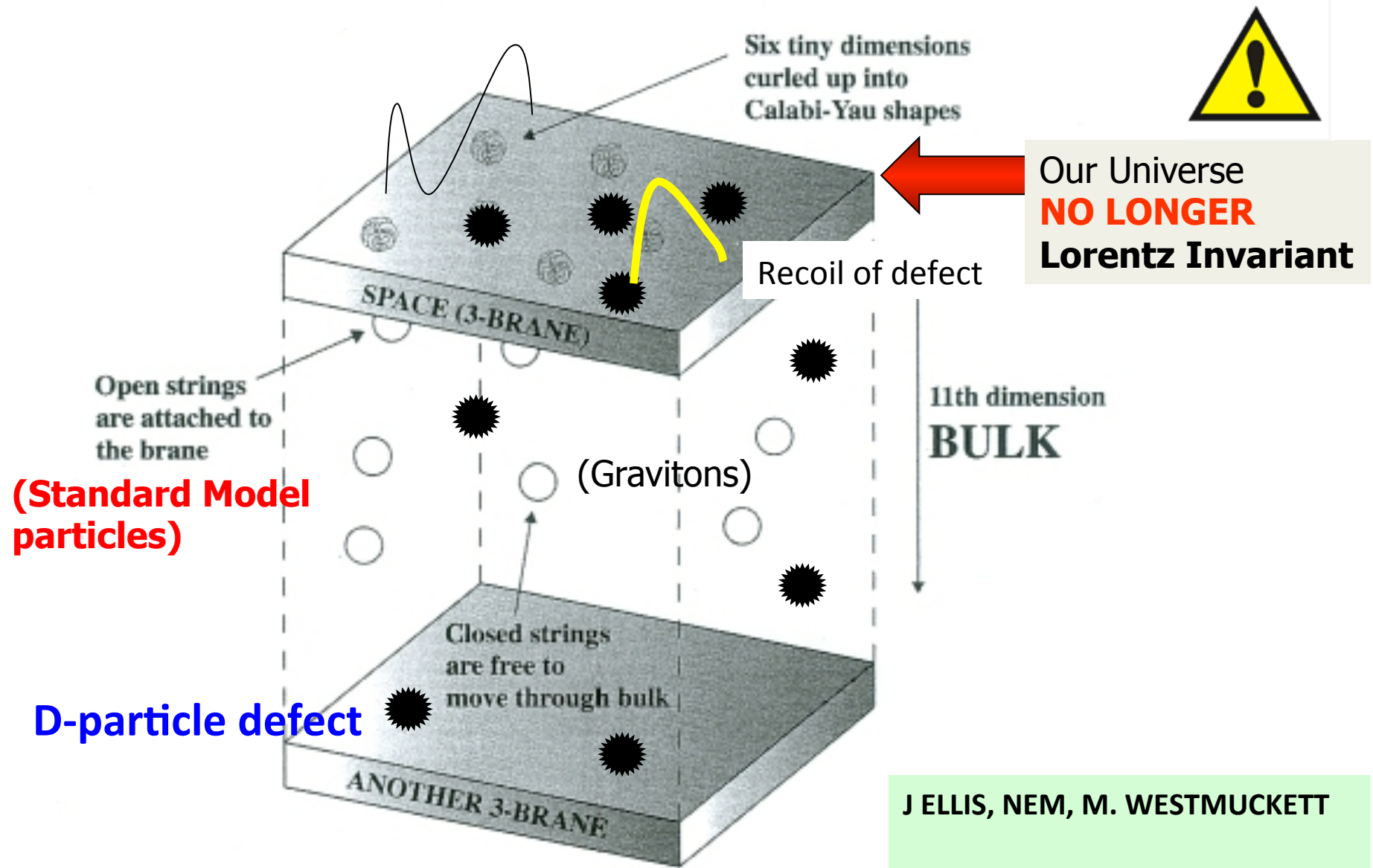


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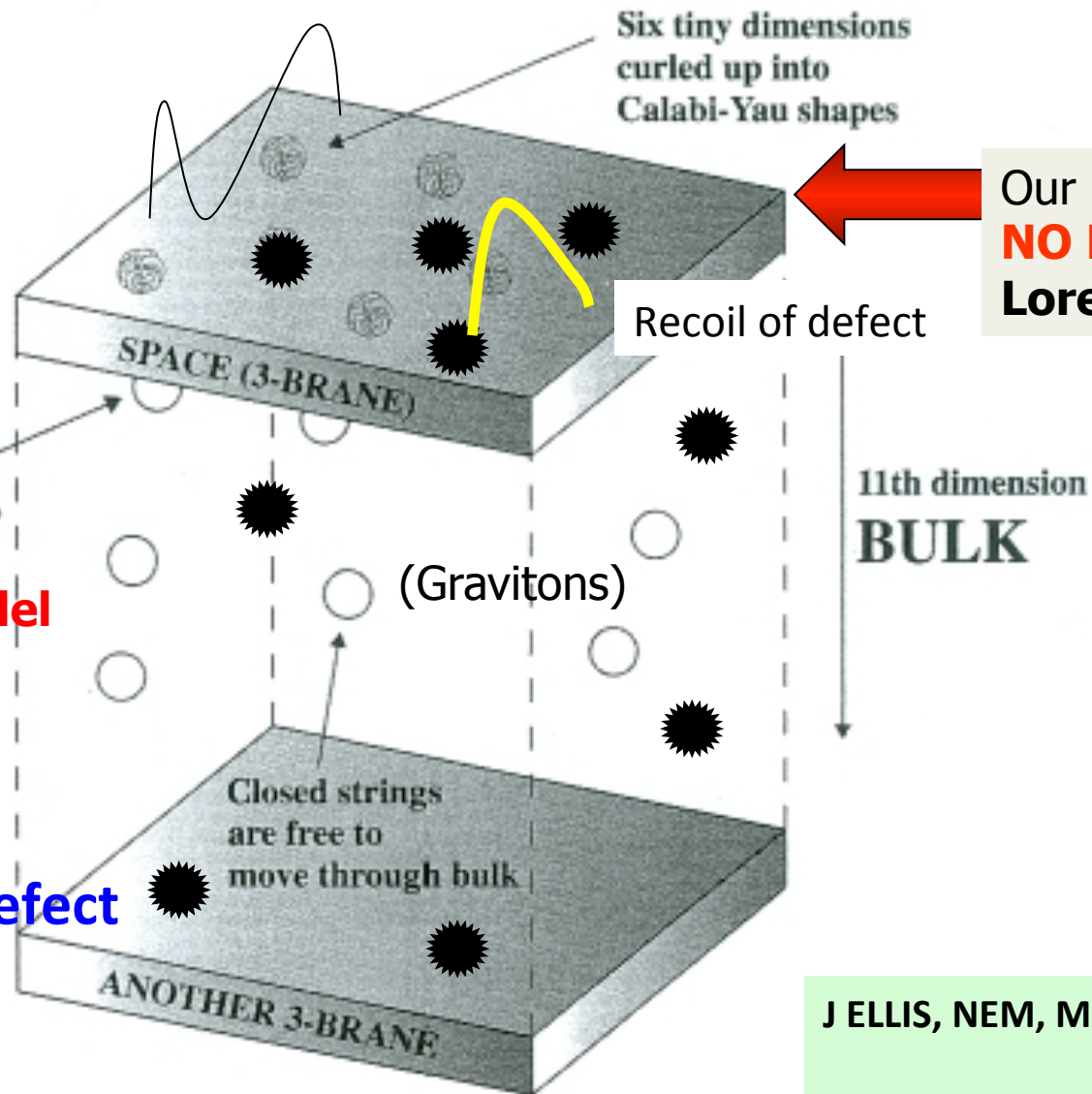


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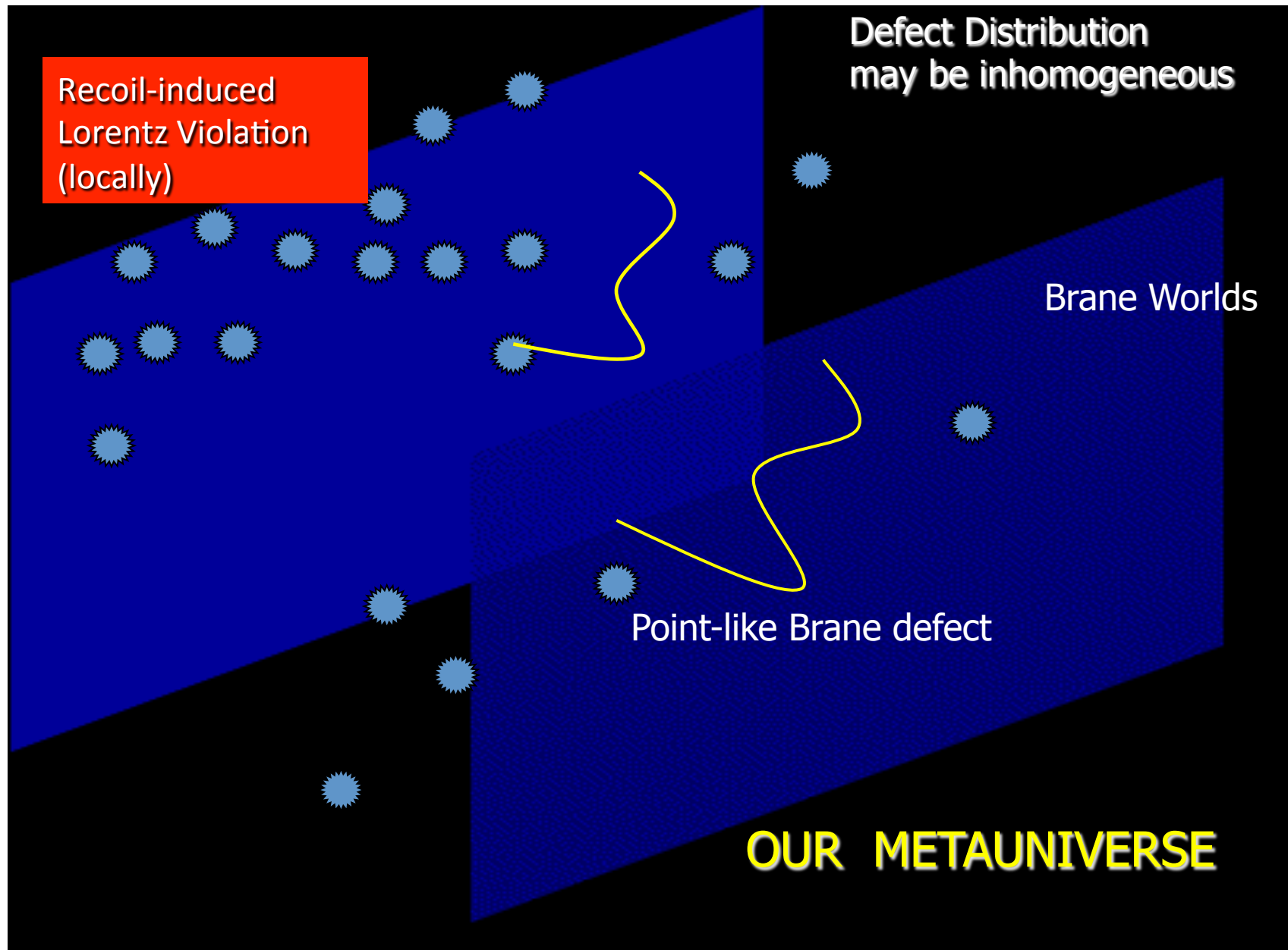


Our Universe
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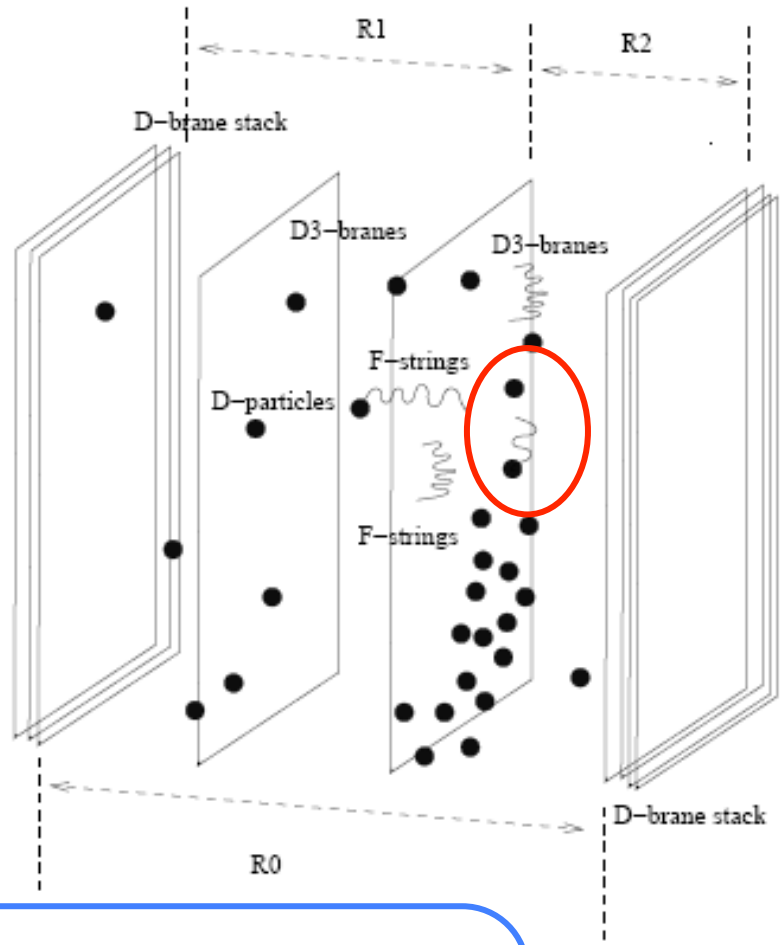
D-particle defect

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Colliding Brane world model of Space-Time with point-like space-time defects

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Involve “spontaneous” **change** of world-sheet **boundary conditions** for the open string

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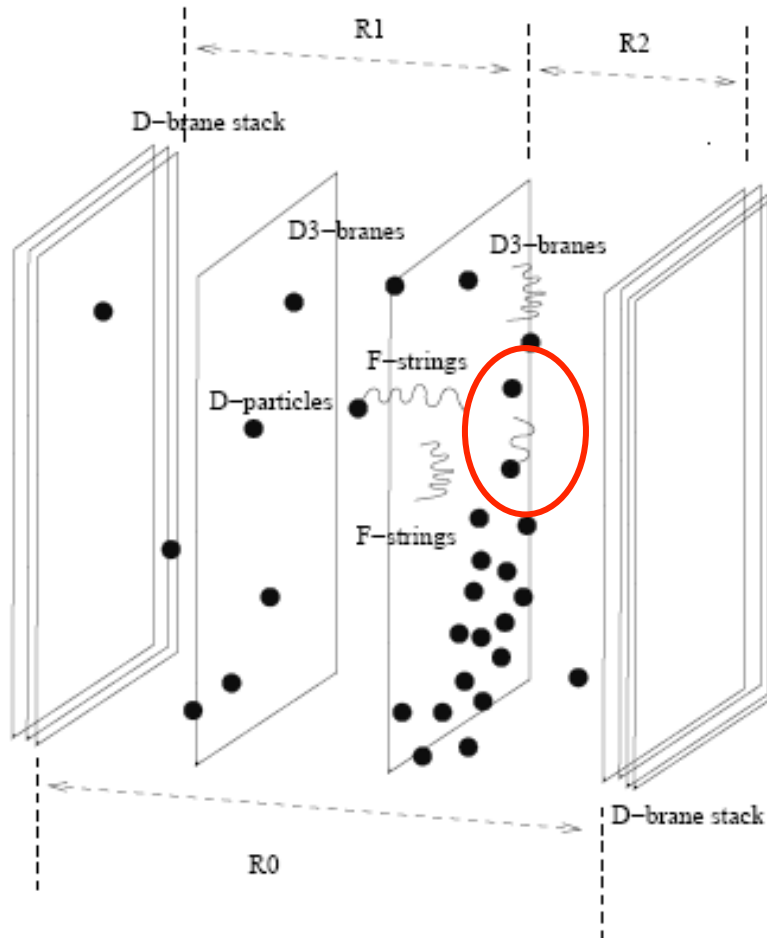
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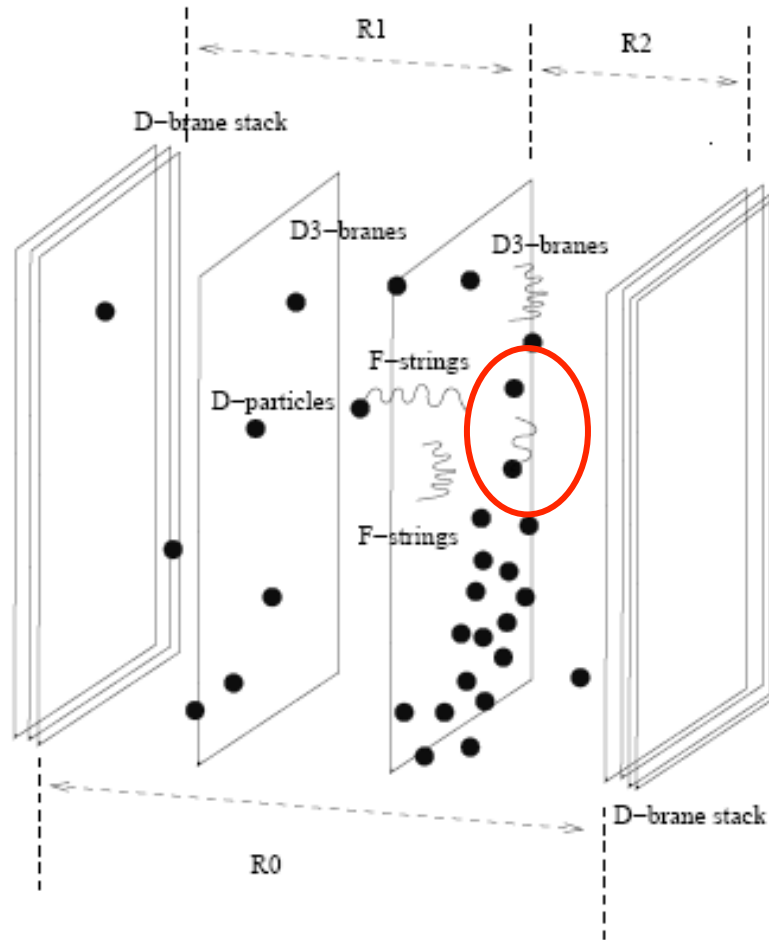
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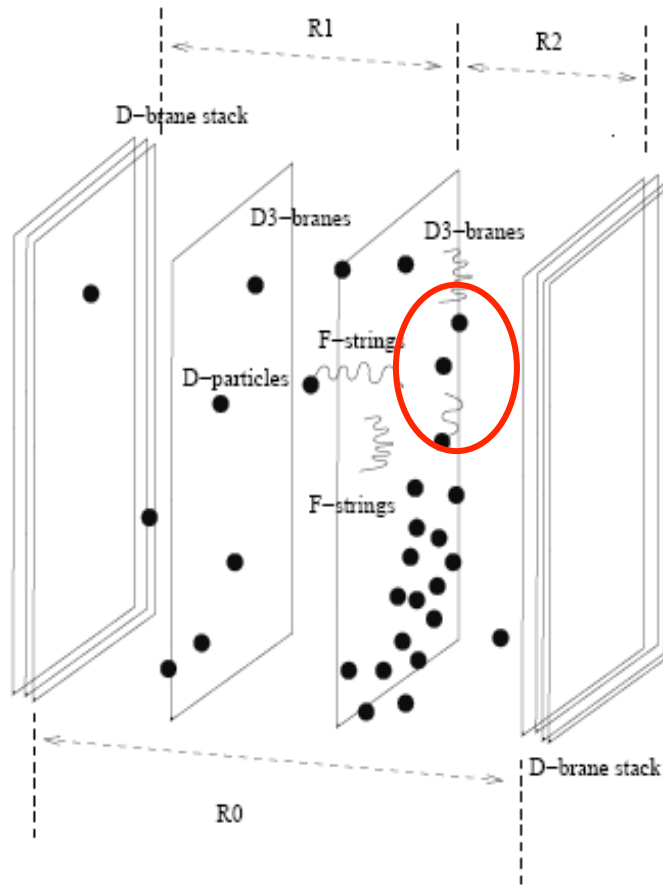
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$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

**Explicit local breaking of $SO(3,1)$
down to $SO(2,1)$ rotation and
boosts in transverse directions**

**Local Lorentz Violation due to
direction of Defect recoil velocities**

Locally induced metric distortions seen by “open strings”

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu =$$
$$-(1 - |\vec{u}|^2) dt^2 + (1 - |\vec{u}|^2) dx_1^2 + dx_2^2 + dx_3^2 + 2\vec{u} \cdot d\vec{x} dt$$

Modified photon dispersion relations due to locally induced metric

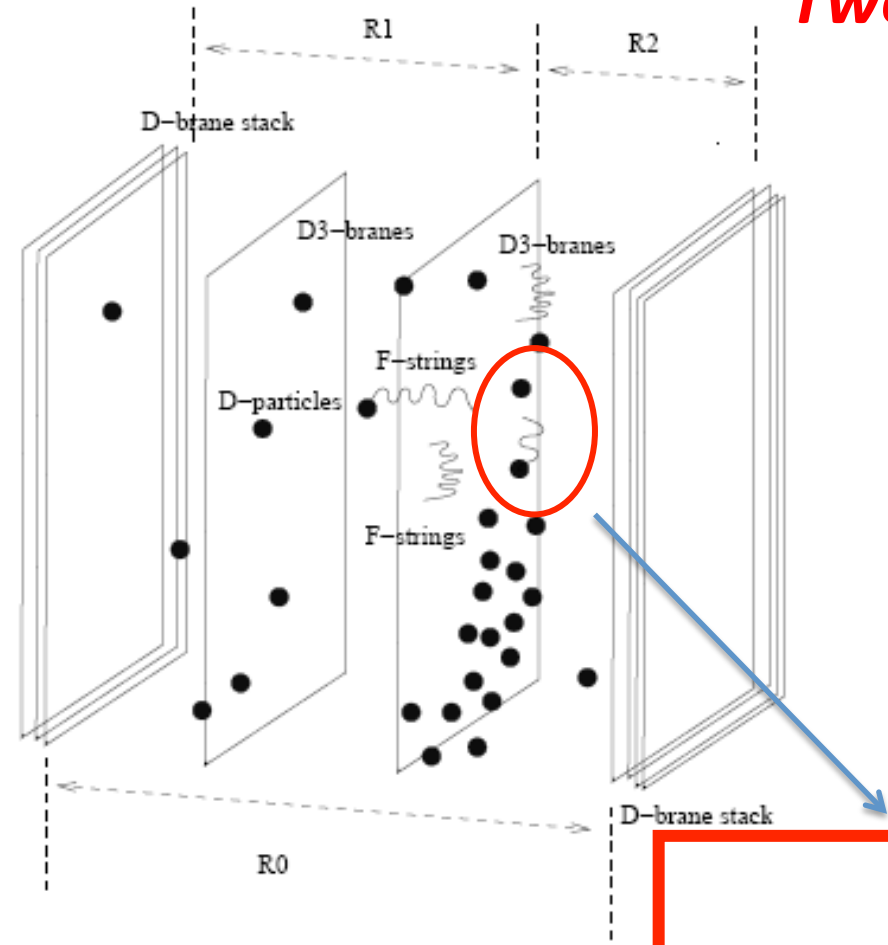
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$$p^\mu = (E, \vec{p}) \Rightarrow 0 < E = -\vec{p} \cdot \vec{u} + p \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} |\vec{u}|^2 + O(|\vec{u}|^3) \right)$$

(Sub)Superluminal Group photon velocities, depending on relative directions u, p

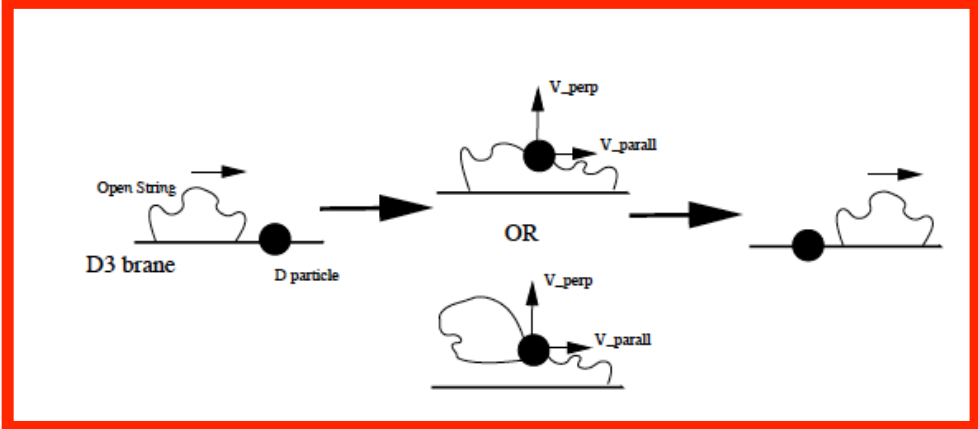
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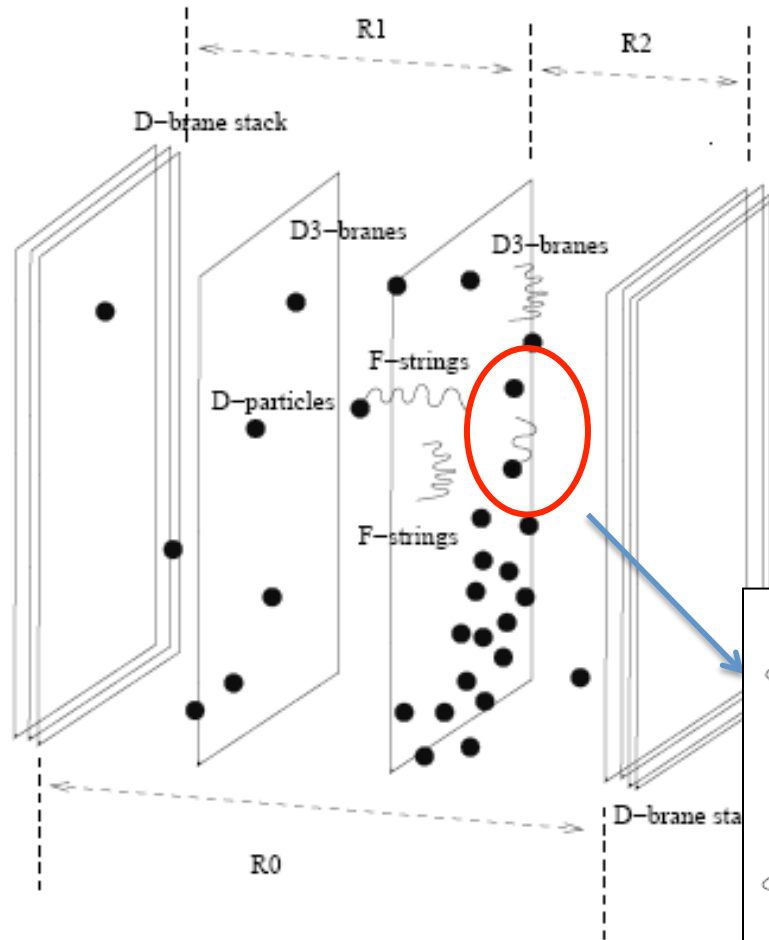


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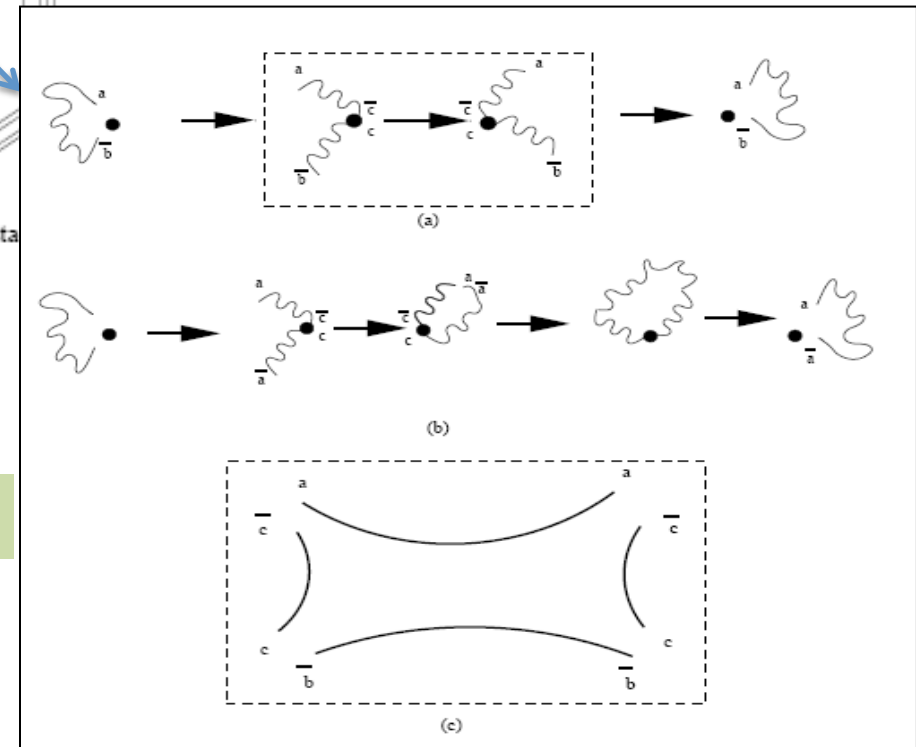
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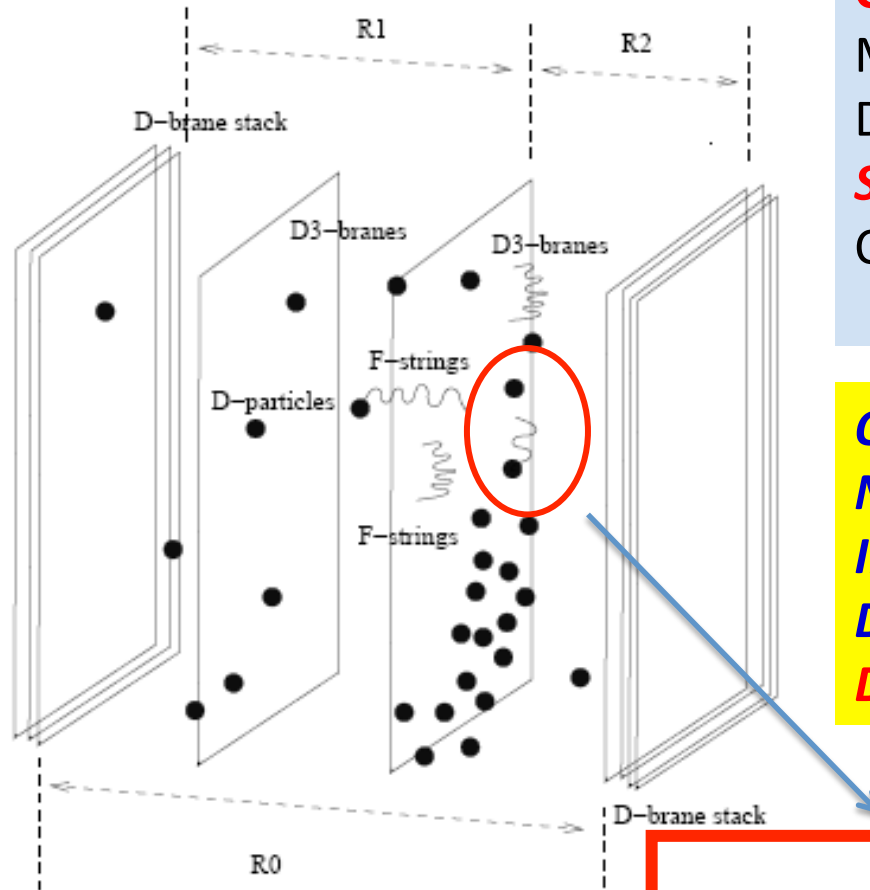


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string graphs

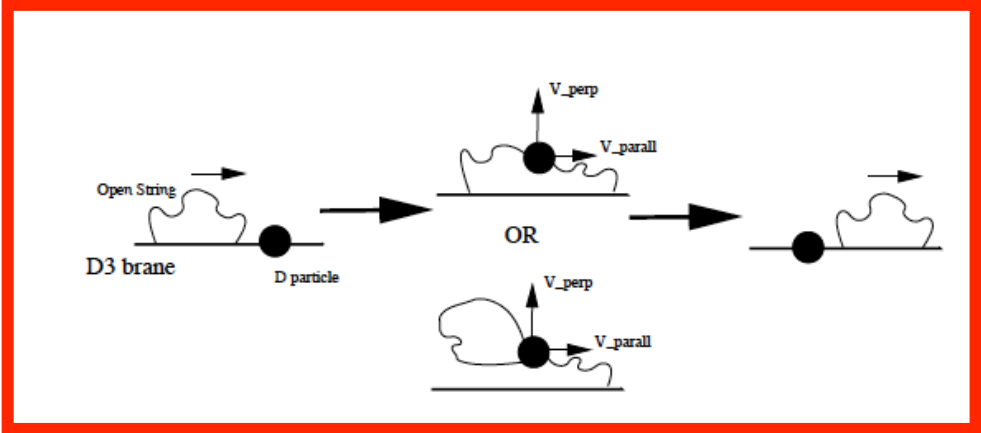


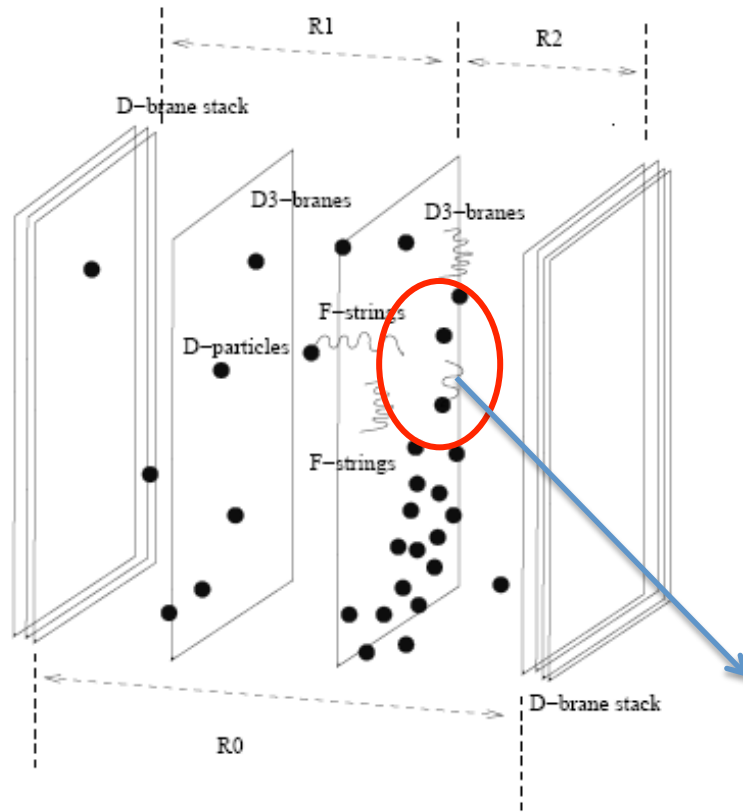
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 MUST BE RESPECTED
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 CREATION & STRETCHING):

ONLY ELECTRICALLY
NEUTRAL EXCITATIONS
INTERACT VIA CAPTURE
DOMINANTLY WITH FOAM
DEFECT RECOIL OCCURS

Time Delays due to
 Intermediate String Creation
 & Oscillations

J ELLIS, NEM, NANOPOULOS





Veneziano Amplitude is proportional to

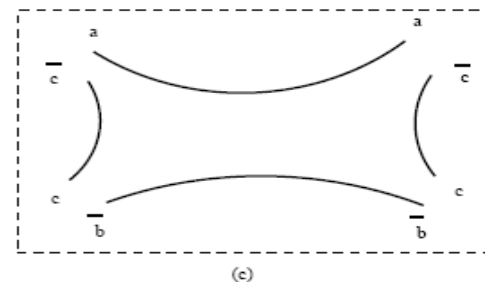
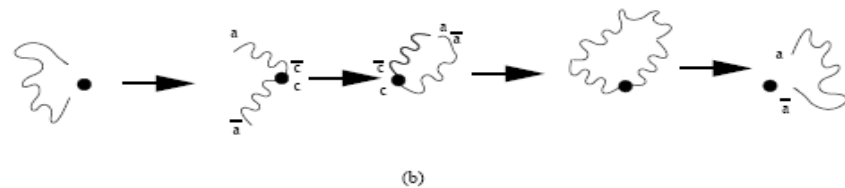
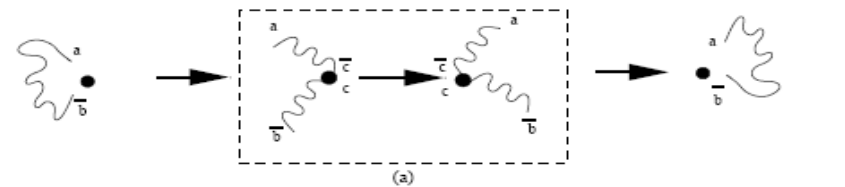
$$\frac{\pi}{\sin(\pi s \alpha')} \rightarrow e^{i\pi s \alpha' - \epsilon}$$

Poles at $s = n/\alpha'$ ($\alpha' =$ Regge slope)

Shift pole prescription $s \rightarrow s + i\epsilon$

Delay:

$$\Delta t \sim \alpha' E$$



Time Delays due to Intermediate String Creation & Oscillations

Amplitude Pole Analysis

ELLIS, NEM, NANOPOULOS, ...+ LI, XIE

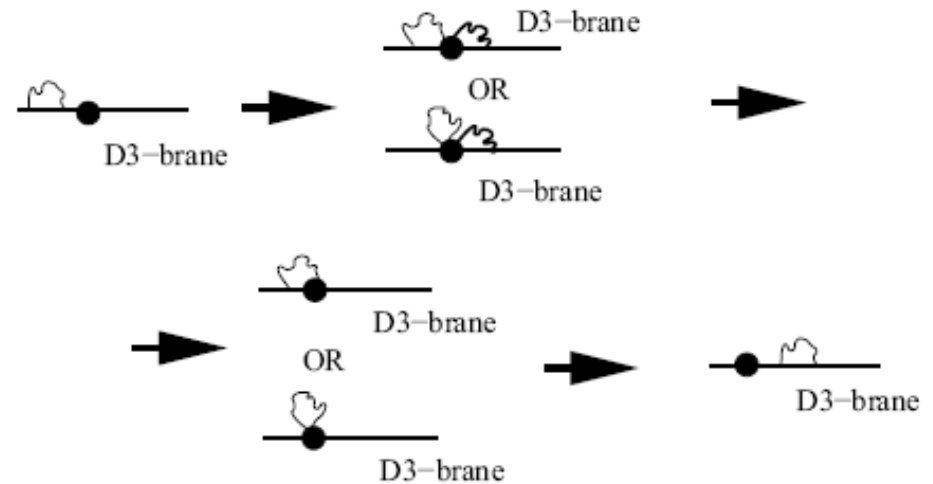
DELAYS COMPATIBLE WITH STRINGY UNCERTAINTIES

Time Delays due to Intermediate String Creation, growth up to length L & N Oscillations \rightarrow

$$E = \frac{L}{\alpha'} + \frac{N}{L}$$

Minimise right-hand-side w.r.t. L .
 End of intermediate string on D3-brane
 Moves with **speed of light in vacuo $c=1$**
 Hence TIME DELAY (causality) during Capture.

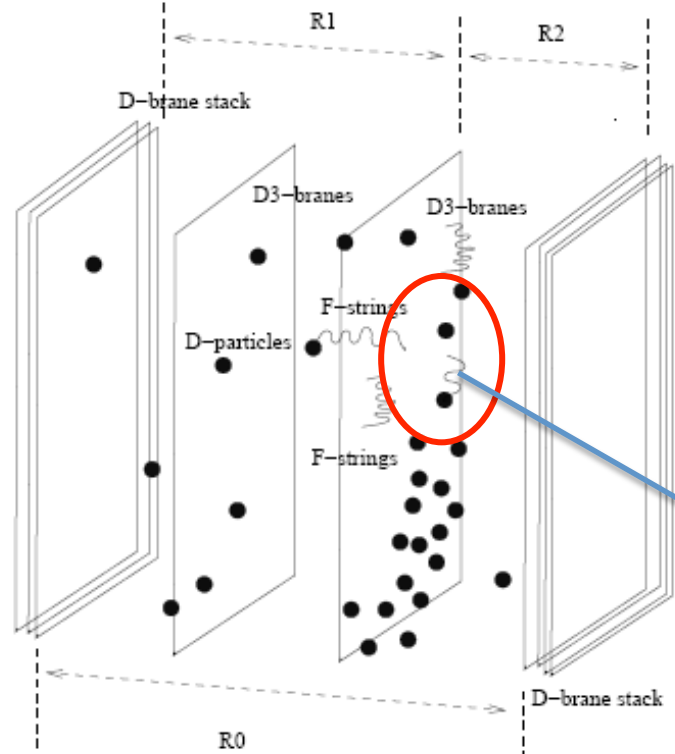
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Compatible with the Stringy Uncertainties

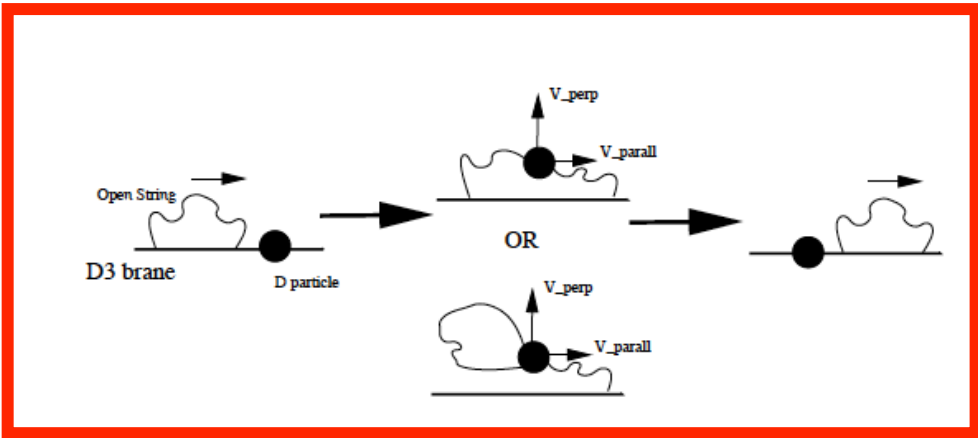
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$$\Delta t \Delta p \geq 1 + \alpha' (\Delta p)^2$$



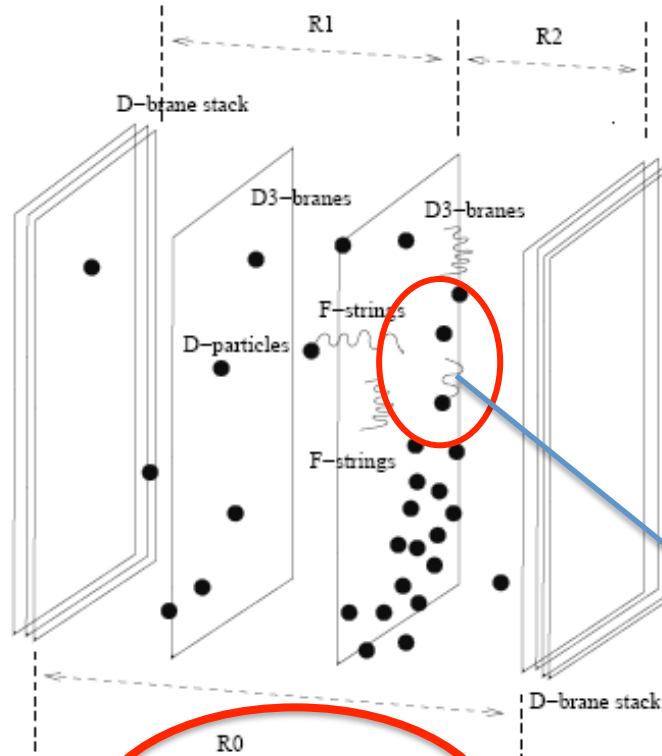
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"DRAGS THE FRAME"
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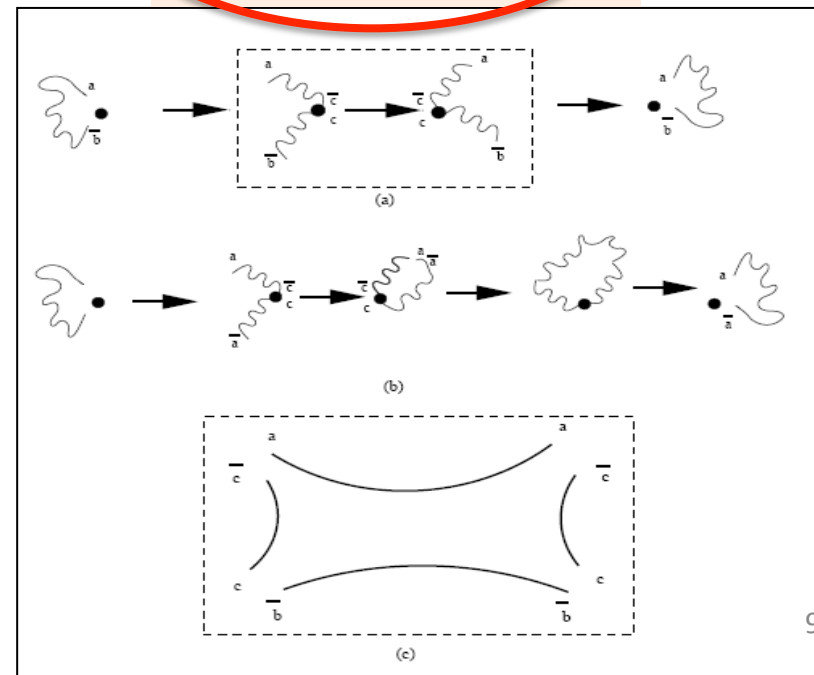
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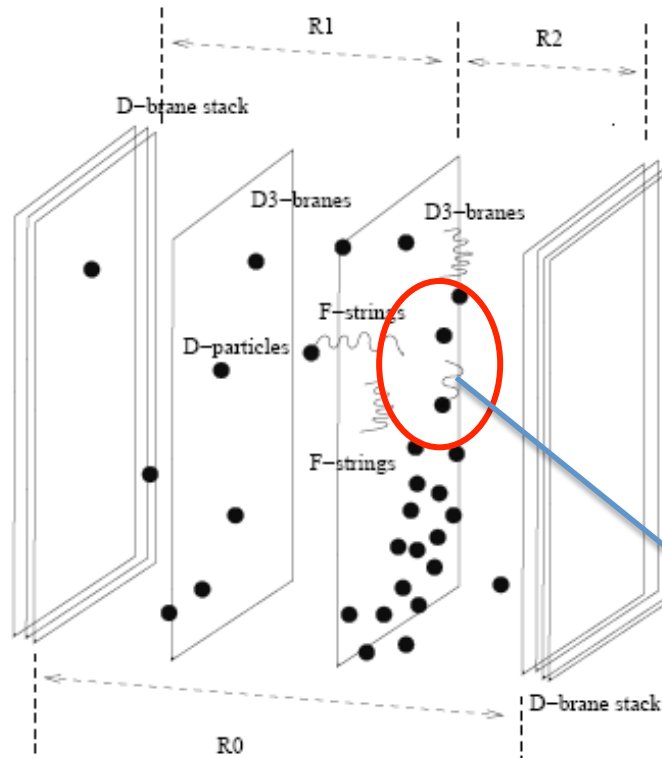
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NON-CRITICAL STRING
 in time-dependent
 recoil "Electric" field
 backgrounds



Time Delays due to Intermediate String Creation & Oscillations **increase** due to recoil

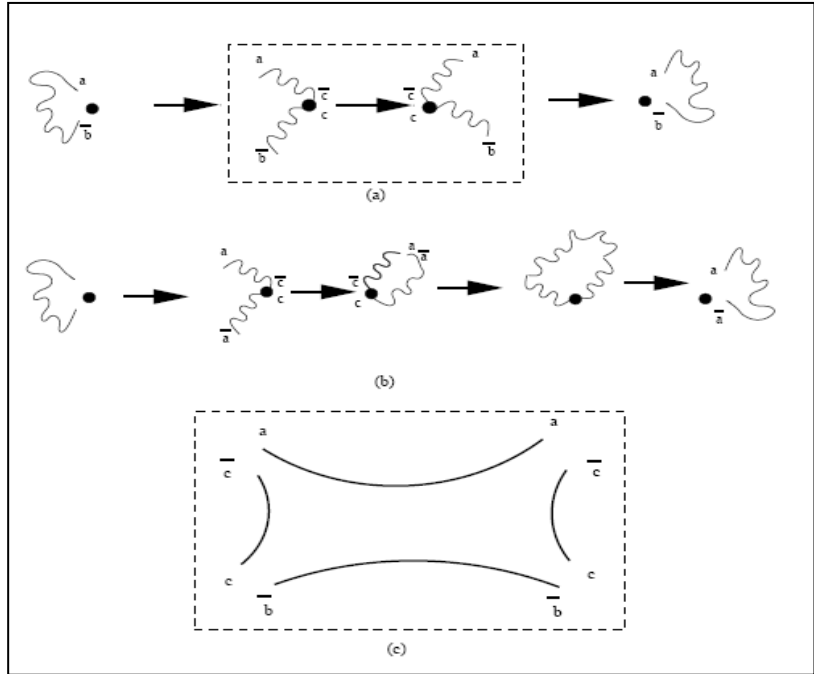


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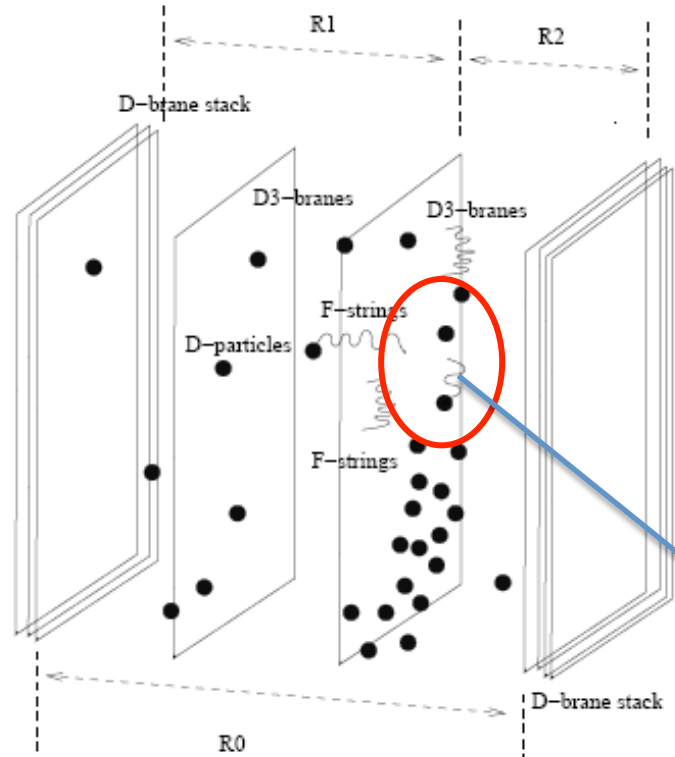
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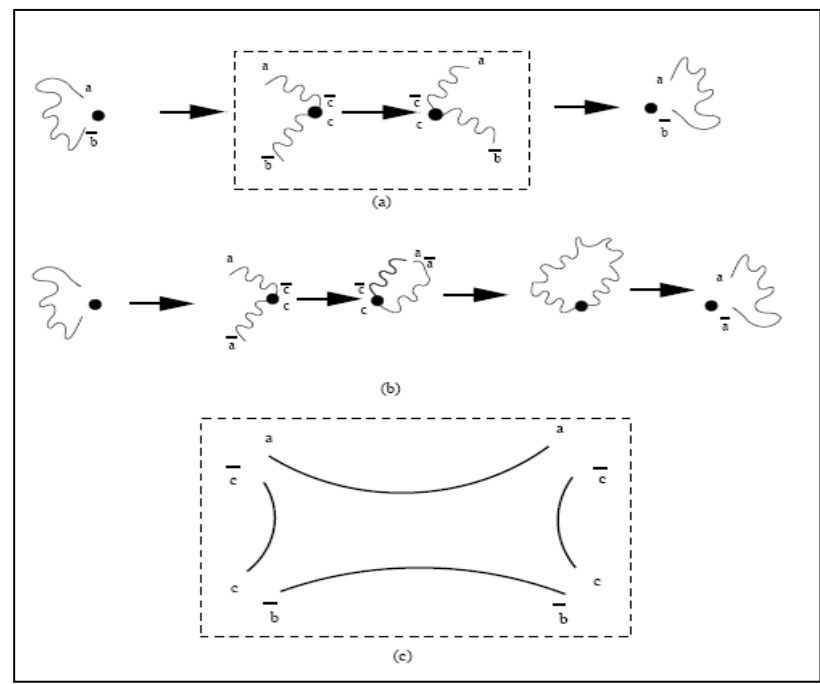
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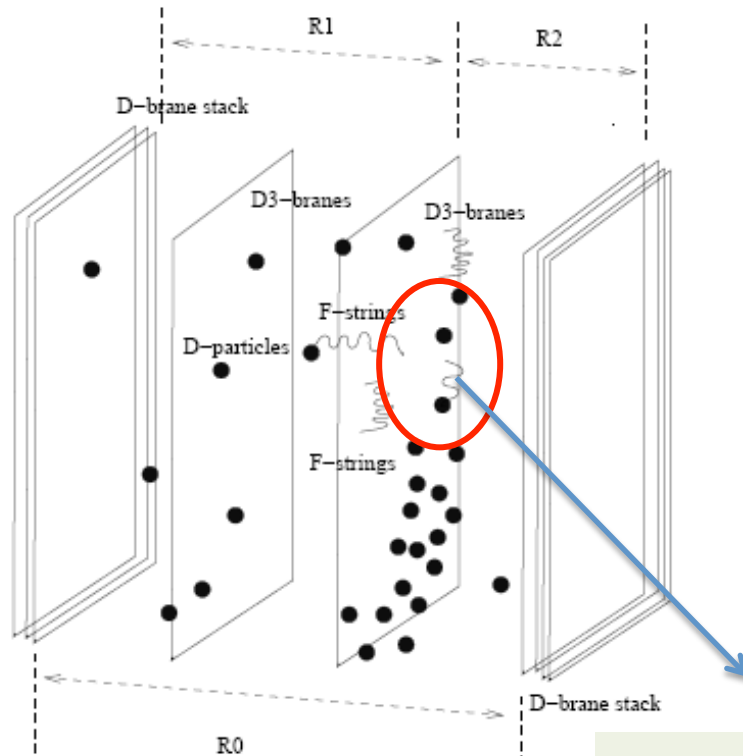
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**ANALOGY WITH FEYNMAN MODEL
D-PARTICLE DEFECTS PLAY ROLE OF
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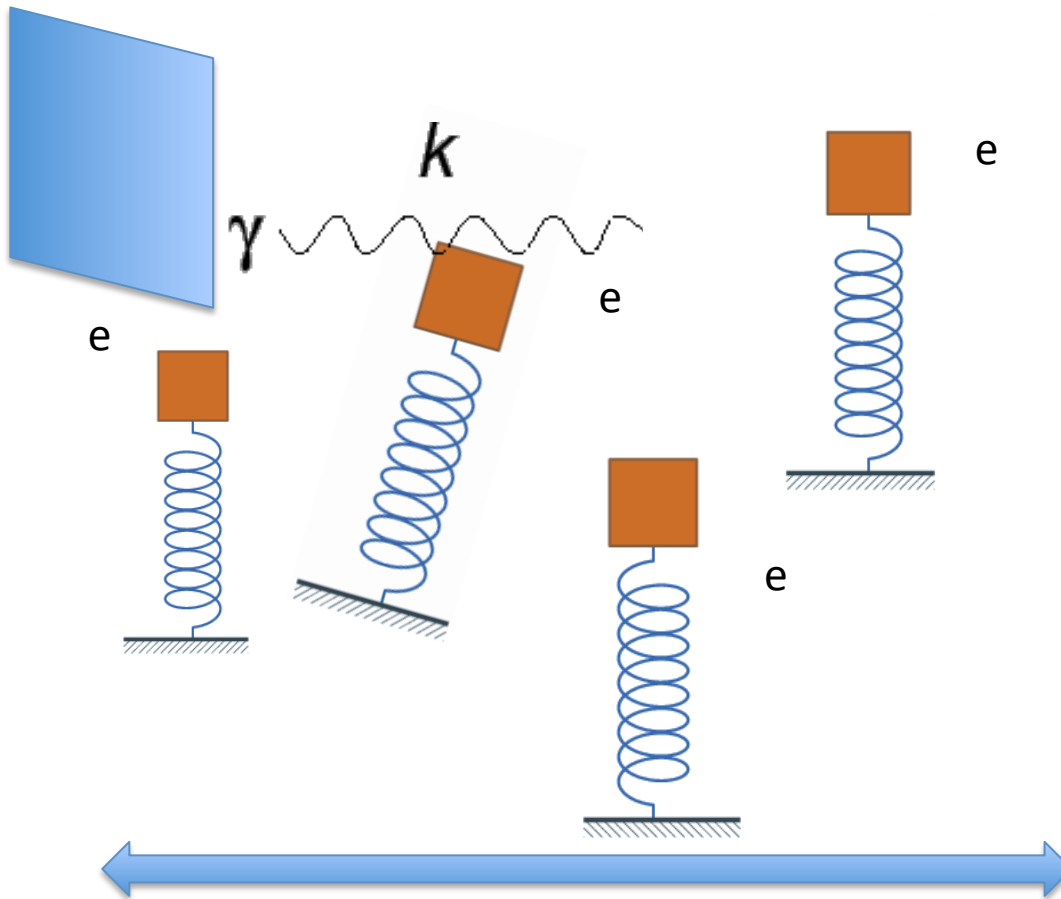


QUANTUM MECHANICS & REFRACTIVE INDEX

electrons (mass m) of the medium as **forced quantum oscillators**, with force exerted by electromagnetic field photons interact with this background

Feynman

Electron area density $n_e = \rho_e \Delta z$ ($\rho_e =$ volume density of electrons)



$$m \left(\frac{d^2}{dt^2} x + \omega_0^2 x \right) = e E_0 e^{i\omega t}$$

Excited-atoms produced electric field

$$E_a = -\frac{en_e i}{\epsilon_0 c} \frac{e E_0}{m(\omega^2 - \omega_0^2)} e^{i\omega(t-z)},$$

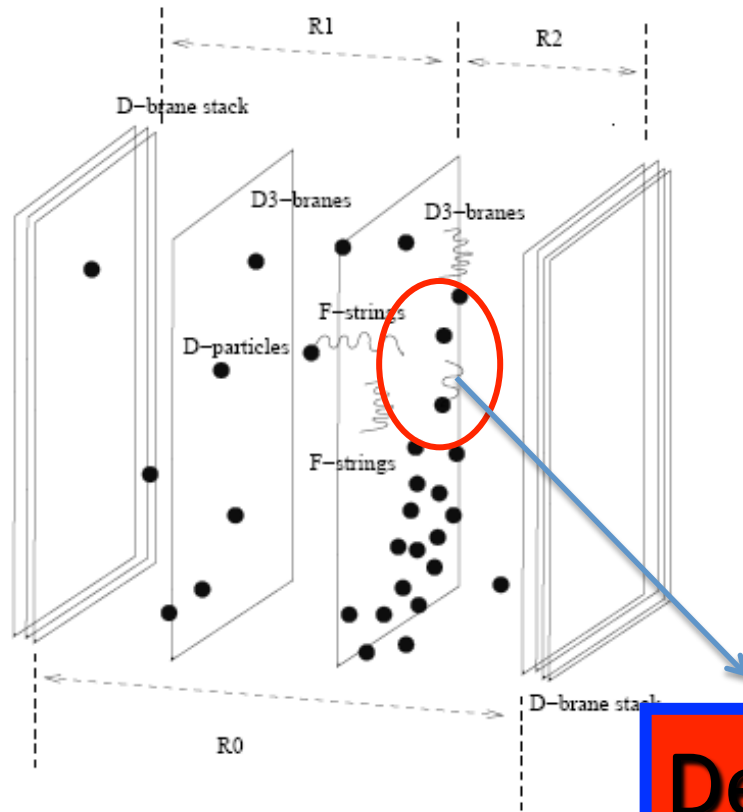
Speed of photons in medium c/n suppressed by refractive index n causing **delay** $\Delta t = (n-1)\Delta z / c$

$$(n - 1)\Delta z = \frac{n_e e^2}{2\epsilon_0 m(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)}$$

$$n = 1 + \frac{\rho_e e^2}{2\epsilon_0 m(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)}$$

Distance Δz traversed by photons

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$$\Delta t \sim \frac{\alpha' E}{1 - |\vec{u}|^2}$$



**Delays are Independent of photon polarization
NO BIREFRINGENCE**

Stringy Uncertainties & D-Foam

- D-foam: populations of defects encountered by probe
- D-foam captures neutral probes & re-emits them
- Time Delay (Causal) in **each** Capture: $\Delta t \sim \alpha' p^0$ $p^0 = E$
- Independent of photon polarization (**no Birefringence**)
- **Total Delay** from emission of photons till observation over **a distance D** (assume n^* defects per string length):

$$\Delta t_{\text{total}} = \alpha' p^0 n^* \frac{D}{\sqrt{\alpha'}} = \frac{p^0}{M_s} n^* D$$

COSMOLOGICAL D-FOAM

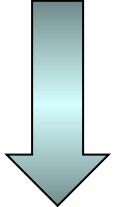
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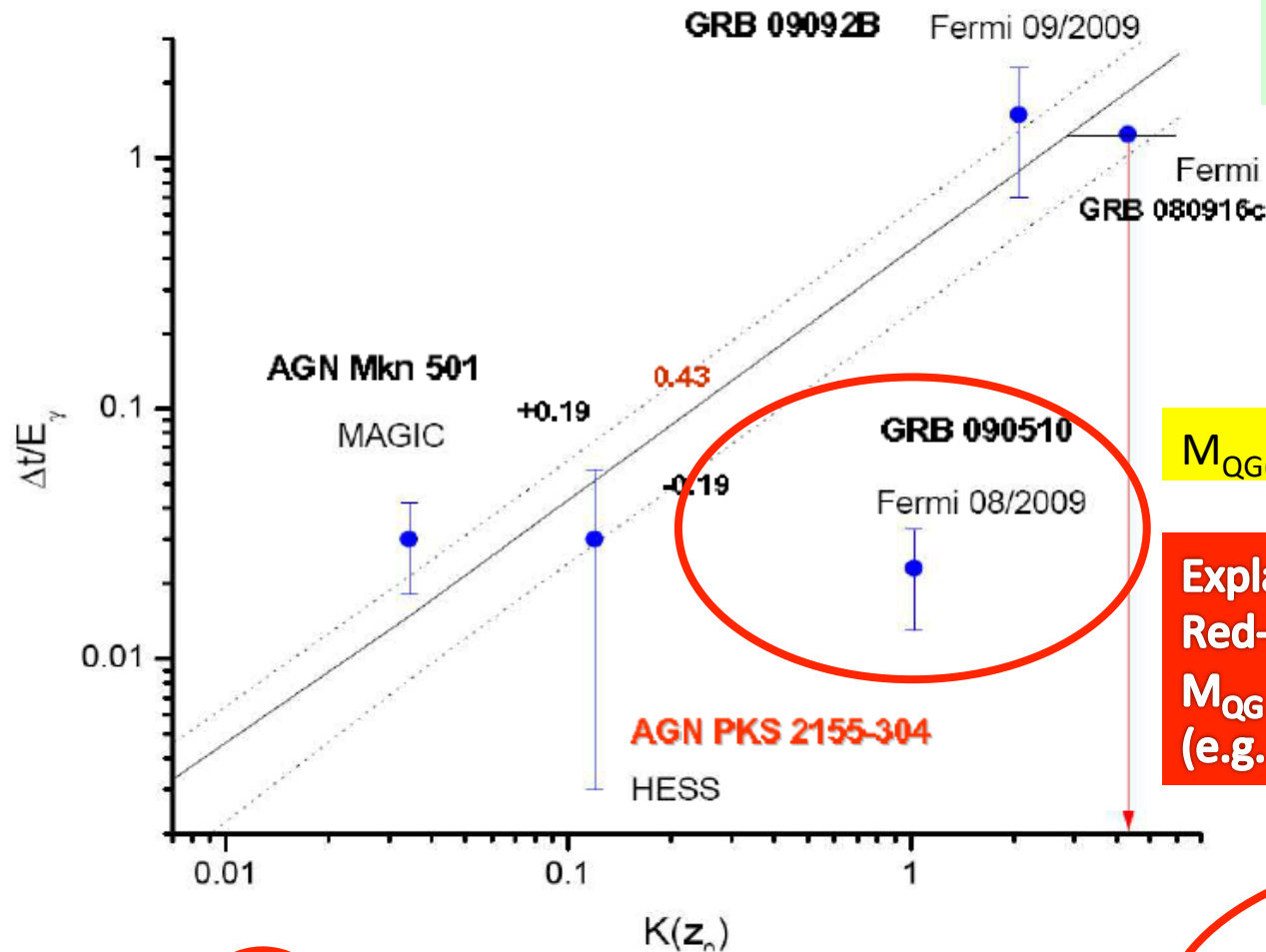

$$M_{\text{QG}}^{\text{Eff}} = \frac{M_s}{n^*(z)}$$

$n^*(z)$ can increase with z
If brane moves in inhomogeneous bulk

Account for MAGIC
(& HESS) events for low z
and ALSO for GRB 090510
(short burst) at high $z=1$
Higher z GRBs delays partly
due to D-foam, partly due to
Source Delayed Emission

Observed Photon Delays (H.E.S.S, FERMI)

Ellis, NEM, Nanopoulos
(2009, 2010)



$M_{QG(1)} > 1.5 \cdot 10^{19}$ GeV

Explained by
Red-shift dependent
 M_{QG} scale
(e.g. D-foam voids at $z=0.9$)

$$\Delta t = \frac{E}{M_{QG}} H_0^{-1} \int_0^z dz \frac{(1+z)}{\sqrt{\Omega_M(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}}$$

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Space time Foam situations –

Average over both populations of defects & quantum fluctuations

Isotropic & (in)homogeneous foam

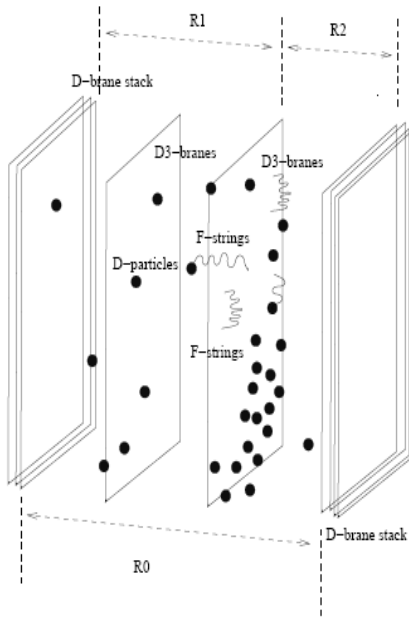
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Violated in flcts



$$v_g = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \langle |\vec{u}|^2 \rangle + O(|\vec{u}|^3) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 > 1$$

Superluminal propagation IF NOT CAPTURE



$$\left(\text{cf. locally } v_g = \frac{\partial E}{\partial p} = 1 - |\vec{u}| \cos \vartheta + \frac{1}{2} |\vec{u}|^2 + O(|\vec{u}|^3) \right)$$

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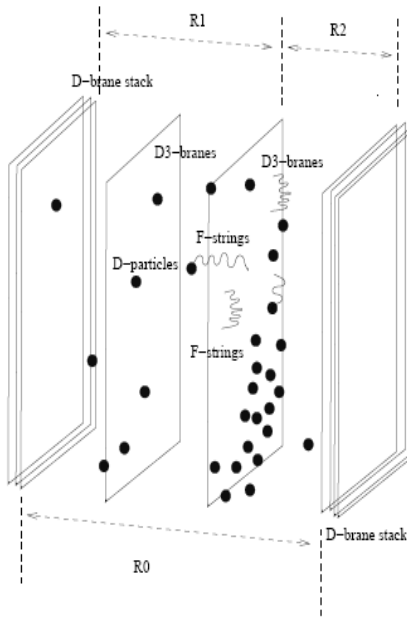
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c.f. Stochastic Foam, through coherent graviton states

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

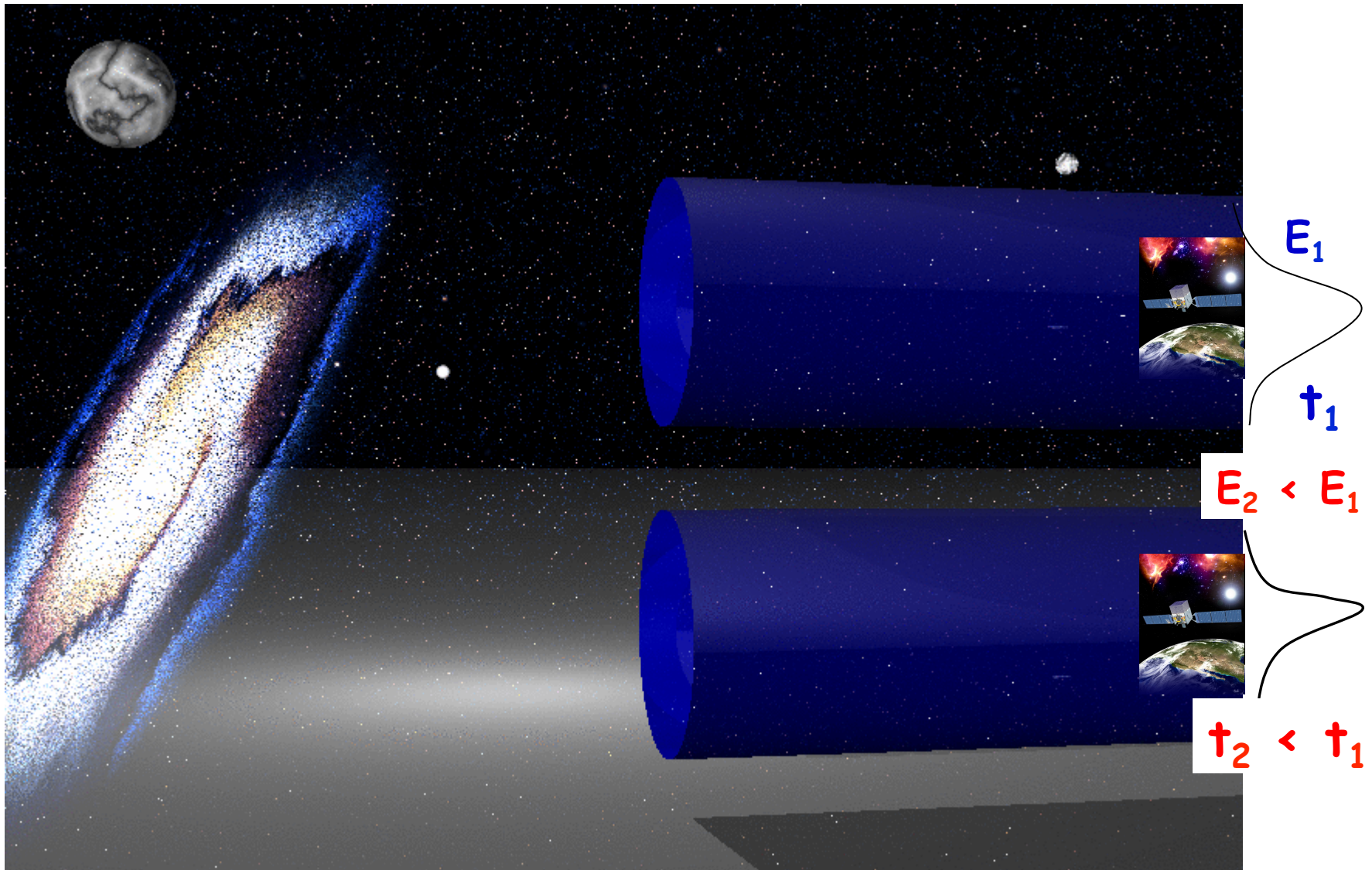
$$\langle h_{\mu\nu} \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle h_{\mu\nu} h_{\rho\sigma} \rangle \neq 0$$

*leading to light cone fluctuations
energy-dependent
photon pulse broadening*



Ford (95)



Subluminal QG-induced Refractive Index: Higher energy photons arrive later
Stochastic Light-Cone fluctuations: Energy dependent width of photon pulses
(e.g. D-particle (stringy) foam, width proportional to photon energy)

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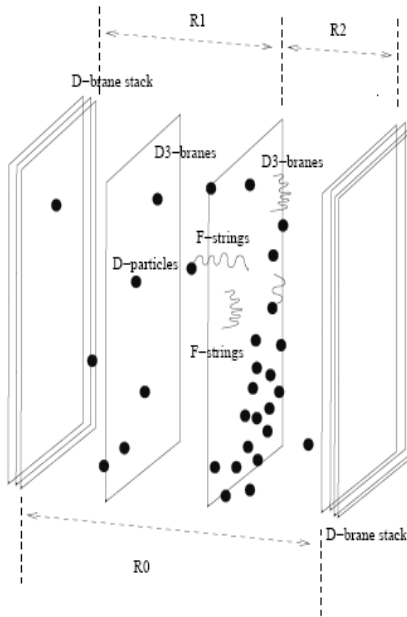
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**STOCHASTIC FLUCTUATIONS
ALSO INDUCE
QUANTUM DECOHERENCE
FOR LOW-ENERGY MATTER**





ENTR'ACTE






The image shows the interior of a grand, ornate theater. The stage is at the top, framed by a large, arched, gilded structure. A red curtain hangs across the stage, with a royal coat of arms centered above it. The theater's walls are covered in intricate gold-colored carvings and patterns. Multiple levels of balconies with ornate railings and small lights are visible on both sides. The floor is dark, and the overall atmosphere is one of classical elegance and grandeur.

ACT III
QUANTUM GRAVITY
DECOHERENCE
&
ENTANGLED STATES

FOAM & QUANTUM DECOHERENCE

- SPACE-TIME FOAM d.o.f. (metric fluctuations, defect recoil etc.) *cannot* be detected by a *low-energy observer* performing only scattering experiments.
- This implies an ``*environment*'' for low-energy matter (*open system*) propagating in a *Quantum Gravity* (QG) foamy background.
- *INDUCED (LOW-ENERGY) DECOHERENCE*
- *Coupling* of matter system to environment is expected to be generically ``*weak*'' due to the weakness of quantum gravitational interactions. 
- *Perturbative* treatment of related *QG effects*

MATTER EVOLUTION MASTER EQUATIONS

Time evolution of matter density matrix $\rho = |\psi\rangle\langle\psi|$

Highly dependent on details of the microscopic model

$$\partial_t \rho = i[\rho, H] + \delta H(\rho)$$

Basic phenomenological assumption: *LINDBLAD* form

(i) *Linear* evolution $\partial_t \rho = i[\rho, H] + \delta H \rho$

(ii) total probability conservation $\text{Tr}(\rho) = 1$

(iii) complete positivity of ρ $\text{eigenvalues} \geq 0$

(iv) entropy increase $S = -\text{Tr}(\rho \ln(\rho))$, $dS/dt \geq 0$

(v) energy conservation (on the average)

LINDBLAD EVOLUTION

$$\rho = \text{Tr}_{\mathcal{M}} |\Psi\rangle\langle\Psi|$$

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$$\dot{\rho} \equiv \partial_t \rho = i[\rho, H] - \sum_m \{B_m^\dagger B_m, \rho\}_+ + 2 \sum_m B_m \rho B_m^\dagger$$

In terms of state vectors $|\psi\rangle$:

$$|d\Psi\rangle = -\frac{i}{\hbar} H |\Psi\rangle + \sum_m (\langle B_m^\dagger \rangle_\Psi B_m - \frac{1}{2} B_m^\dagger B_m - \frac{1}{2} \langle B_m^\dagger \rangle_\Psi \langle B_m \rangle_\Psi) |\Psi\rangle dt + \sum_m (B_m - \langle B_m \rangle_\Psi) |\Psi\rangle d\xi_m$$

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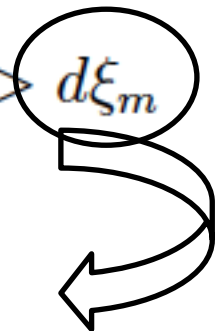
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stochastic
Wiener
white noise

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$$d\xi_i^* d\xi_j = \delta_{ij} dt$$



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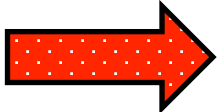
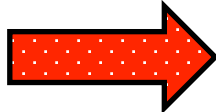
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If (iv) & (v)  $B_j^\dagger = B_j$, $[B_j, H] = 0$ 

self-adjointness

LINDBLAD EVOLUTION

Adler & Horwitz

$$\dot{\rho} = i[\rho, H] + \mathcal{D}[\rho]$$
$$\mathcal{D}[\rho] = \sum_j [B_j, [B_j, \rho]]$$

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So *Double commutator form* for Lindblad term in master equation if:

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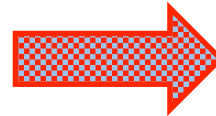
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Channel k projection operator: P_k



$$[P_k, H] = 0$$

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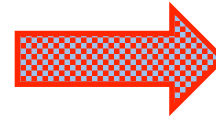
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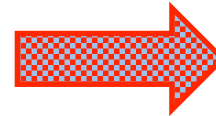
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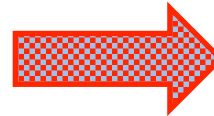
State Vector Diffusion & Localization

Gisin & Percival

Assumption: Hamiltonian : block diagonal form in channels independent of "measurement"

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Channel k projection operator: P_k



$$[P_k, H] = 0$$

Localisation ("collapse") is quantified by *rate of decrease of Quantum Dispersion Entropy*



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Some times: Localization may stop before it is complete:
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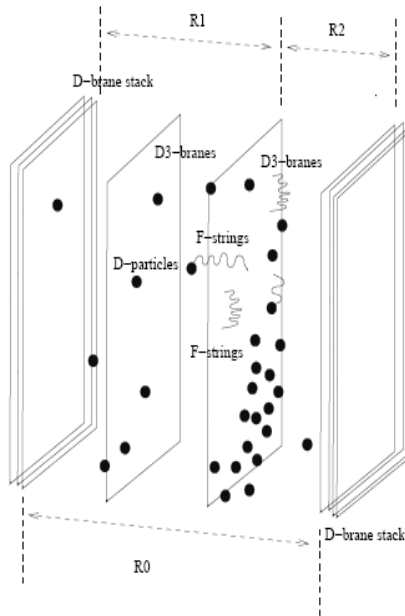
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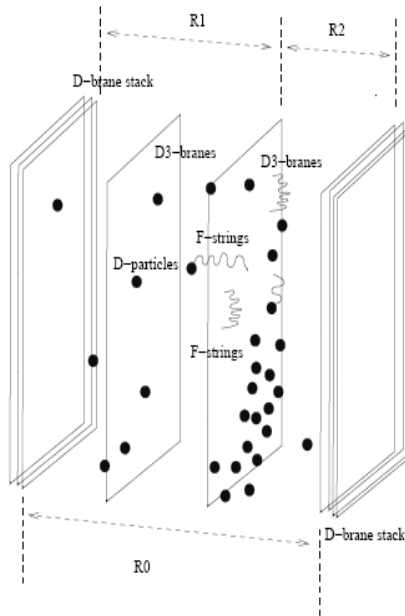
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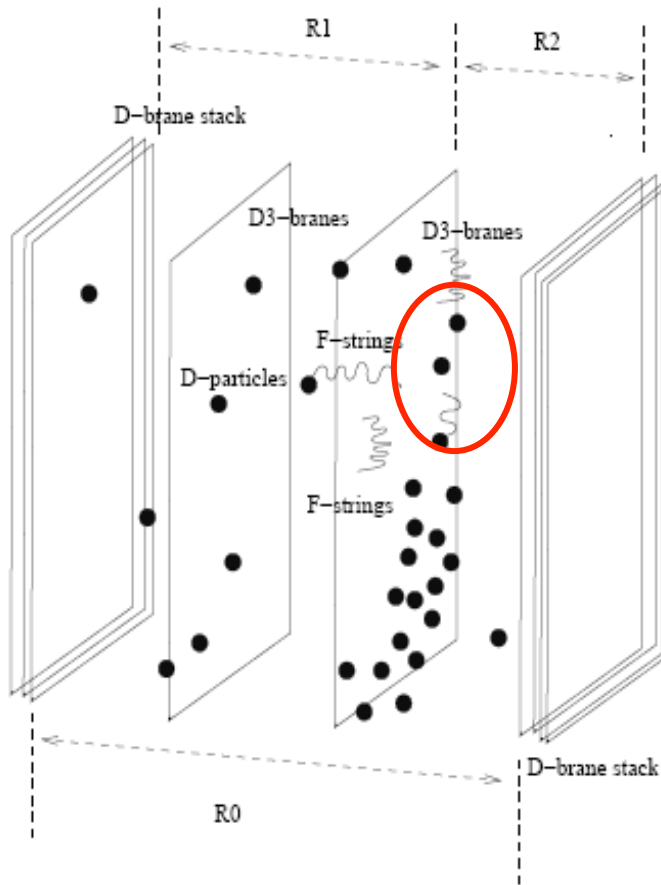


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Problem Equivalent to
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Induced metric depends
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Explicit *local* breaking of $SO(3,1)$
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directions

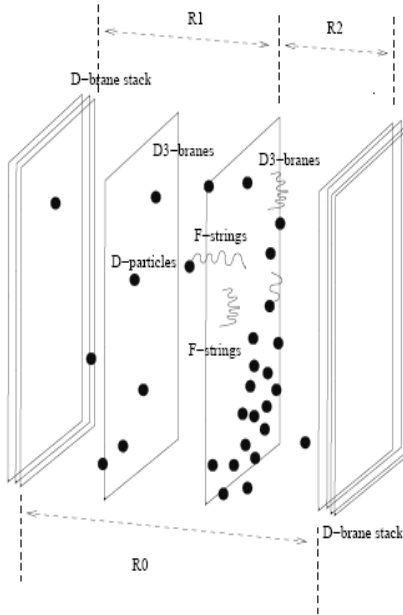
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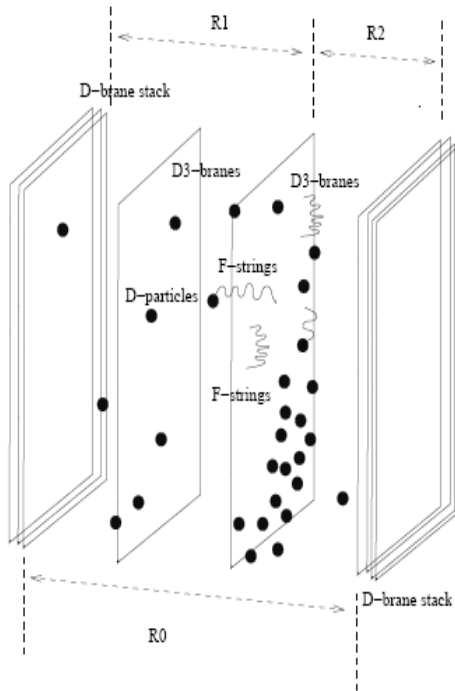
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NEM, Alexandre, Farakos...

D-particle Foam: *Cauchy-Lorentz D-particle recoil velocities distribution*



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Chaichian et al. PLB669, 177 (2011)



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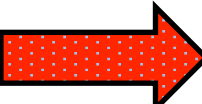
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Bar denotes
anti-particle states

WELL-DEFINED

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Inverse of \$!

Also would imply:

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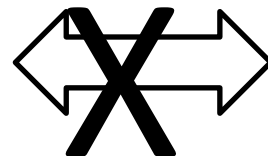
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INCOMPATIBLE

CPT symmetry without CPT invariance Wald (79)

But...nature may be tricky: WEAK FORM OF CPT INVARIANCE might exist, such that the fundamental “arrow of time” **does not show up** in any experimental measurements (scattering experiments).

Probabilities for transition from ψ =initial pure state to ϕ =final state

$$P(\psi \rightarrow \phi) = P(\theta^{-1}\phi \rightarrow \theta\psi)$$

where $\theta: \mathcal{H}_{\text{in}} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_{\text{out}}$, \mathcal{H} = Hilbert state space,
 $\Theta\rho = \theta\rho\theta^\dagger$, $\theta^\dagger = -\theta^{-1}$ (anti-unitary).

In terms of superscattering matrix $\$$:

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Here, Θ is well defined on pure states, but $\$$ has no inverse, hence $\$\dagger \neq \$^{-1}$ (full CPT invariance: $\$ = S S^\dagger$, $\$\dagger = \$^{-1}$).

Weak CPT invariance in Black-Holes?

Wald (79)

Supporting evidence for Weak CPT from Black-hole thermodynamics: *Although white holes do not exist (strong CPT violation), nevertheless the CPT reverse of the most probable way of forming a black hole is the most probable way a black hole will evaporate: the states resulting from black hole evaporation are precisely the CPT reverse of the initial states which collapse to form a black hole.*

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In principle...

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Highly microscopic model dependent...



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ACT IV
PHENOMENOLOGY
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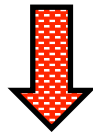
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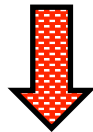
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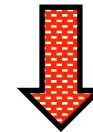
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K_L : $(5.116 \pm 0.020) \times 10^{-8} \text{ s}$

mass difference: $m_{K_L} - m_{K_S} = (3.483 \pm 0.006) \times 10^{-15} \text{ GeV}$

QG DECOHERENCE IN NEUTRAL KAONS: SINGLE STATES

Quantum Gravity (QG) may induce decoherence and oscillations $K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0 \Rightarrow$ could use Lindblad-type approach (one example) (Ellis, Hagelin, Nanopoulos, Srednicki, Lopez, NM):

$$\partial_t \rho = i[\rho, H] + \delta H \rho$$

where

$$H_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} -\Gamma & -\frac{1}{2}\delta\Gamma & -\text{Im}\Gamma_{12} & -\text{Re}\Gamma_{12} \\ -\frac{1}{2}\delta\Gamma & -\Gamma & -2\text{Re}M_{12} & -2\text{Im}M_{12} \\ -\text{Im}\Gamma_{12} & 2\text{Re}M_{12} & -\Gamma & -\delta M \\ -\text{Re}\Gamma_{12} & -2\text{Im}M_{12} & \delta M & -\Gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

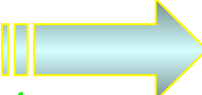
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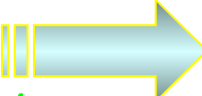
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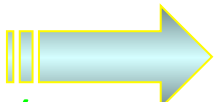
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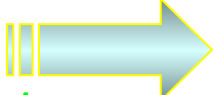
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Complex Phenomenology of CPTV

- CPT Operator well defined but NON-Commuting with Hamiltonian $[H, \Theta] \neq 0$
 - Lorentz & CPT Violation in the Hamiltonian
 - Neutral Mesons & Factories, Atomic Physics, Anti-matter factories, Neutrinos, ...
 - Modified Dispersion Relations (GRB, neutrino oscillations, synchrotron radiation...)

- CPT Operator **ill defined** (Wald), intrinsic violation, **modified** concept of **antiparticle**



– Decoherence CPTV Tests

- Neutral Mesons: K, B & factories
(novel effects in entangled states :
(perturbatively) **modified EPR correlations**)
- Ultracold Neutrons
- Neutrinos (highest sensitivity)
- Light-Cone fluctuations (GRB, Gravity-Wave Interferometers, neutrino oscillations)



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**INTRINSIC
CPT VIOLATION
&
ENTANGLED STATES
(ω -EFFECT)**

EPR correlated states and particle physics

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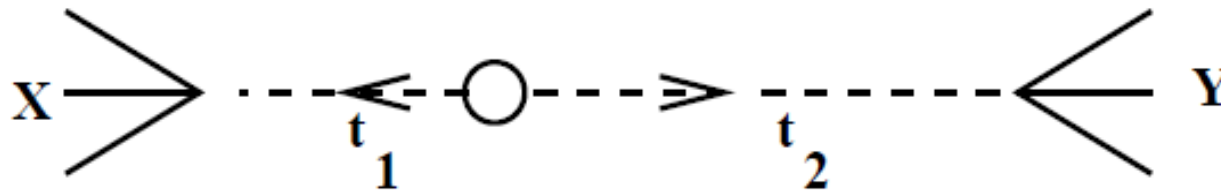
Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen (EPR) effect proposed originally as a PARADOX testing foundations of Quantum Theory.

Correlations between spatially separated events, instant transport of information? contradicts relativity?

NO, NO PARADOX

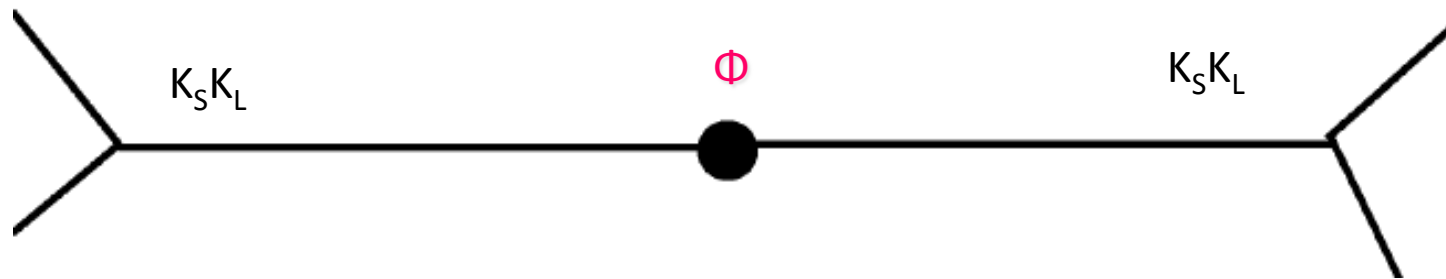
EPR has been confirmed EXPERIMENTALLY:

- (i) pair of particles can be created in a definite quantum state,
- (ii) move apart,
- (iii) decay when they are widely separated (spatially).



EPR CORRELATIONS between different decay modes should be taken into account, when interpreting any experiment. (Lipkin (1968))

- CPT Violation Consequences for Neutral mesons
- Einstein Podolsky Rosen (EPR) – correlators

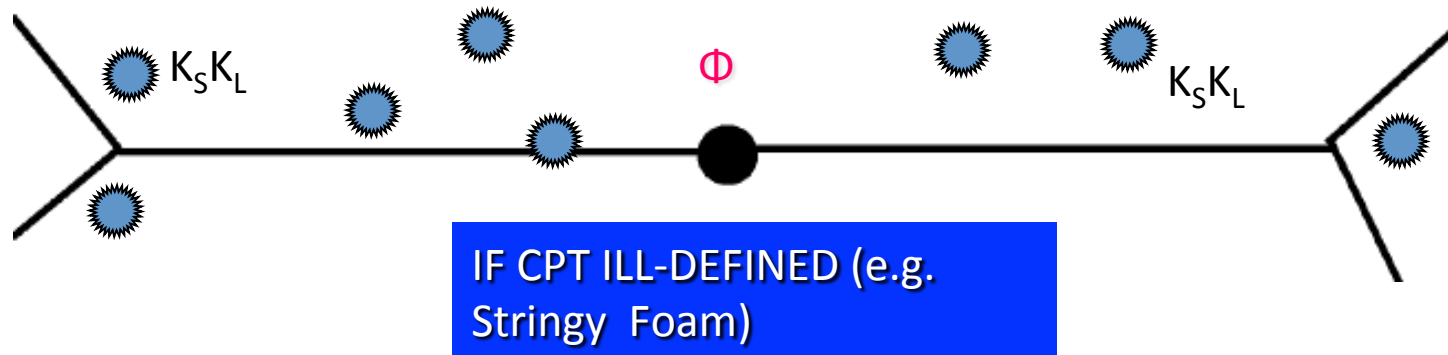


IF CPT Θ -operator WELL-DEFINED
Even if $[\Theta, H] \neq 0$

Neutral Kaon, anti-Kaon mesons treated as indistinguishable particles,
Bose-statistics applies

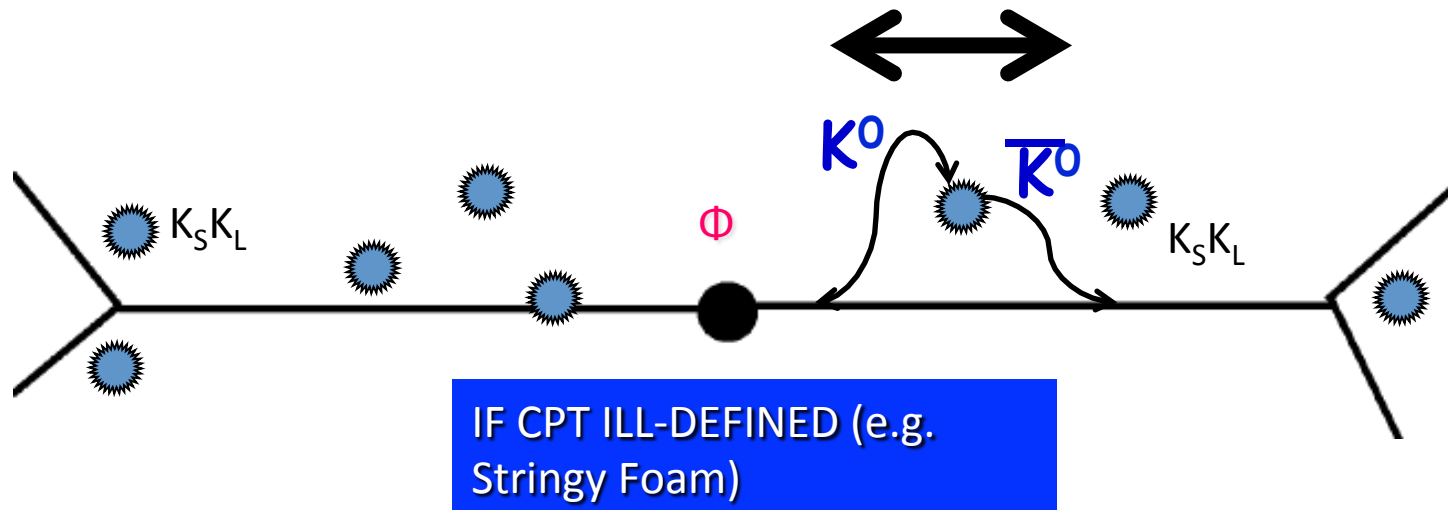
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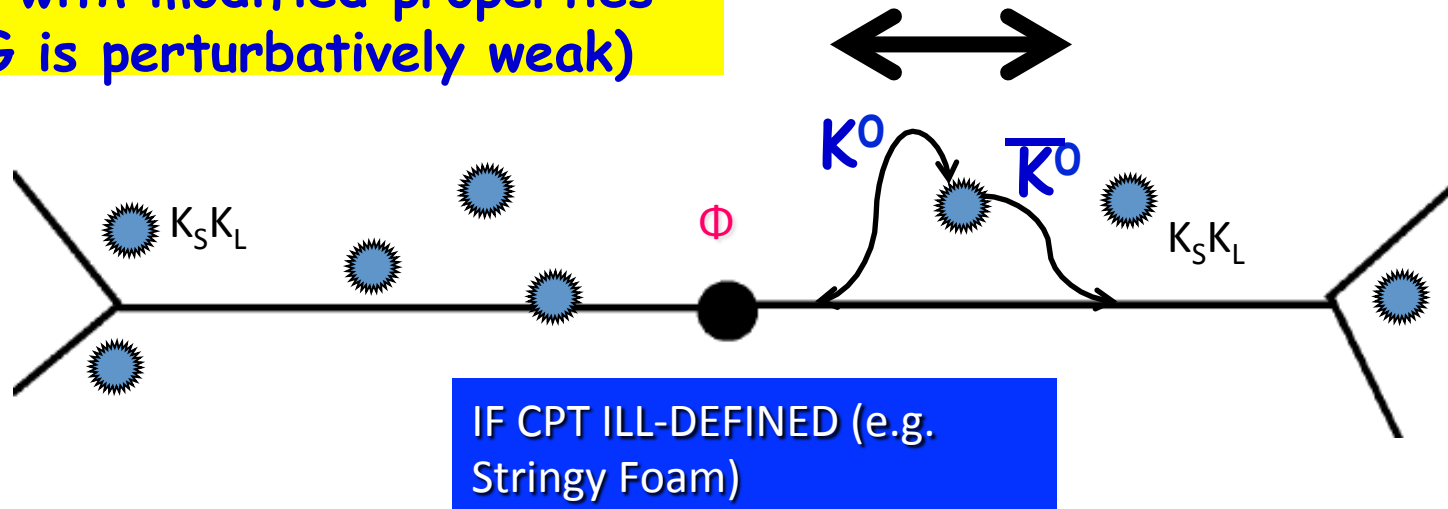


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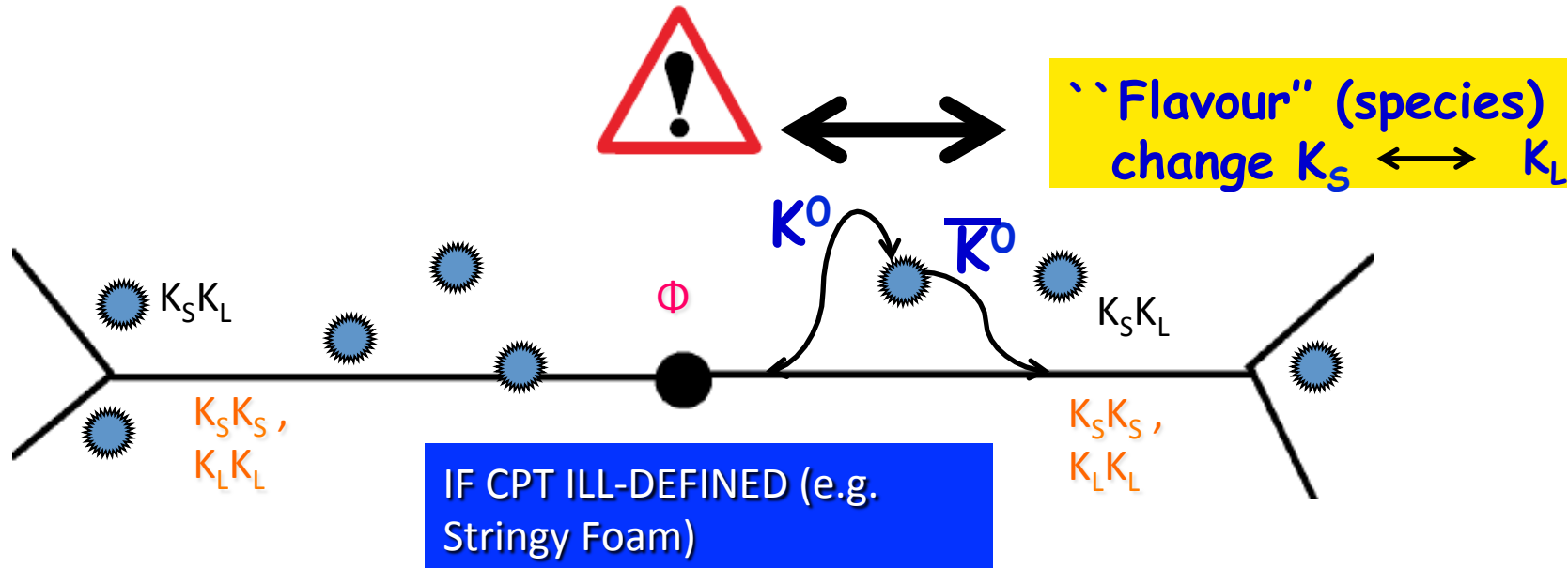
Anti-particle exists
but with modified properties
(QG is perturbatively weak)

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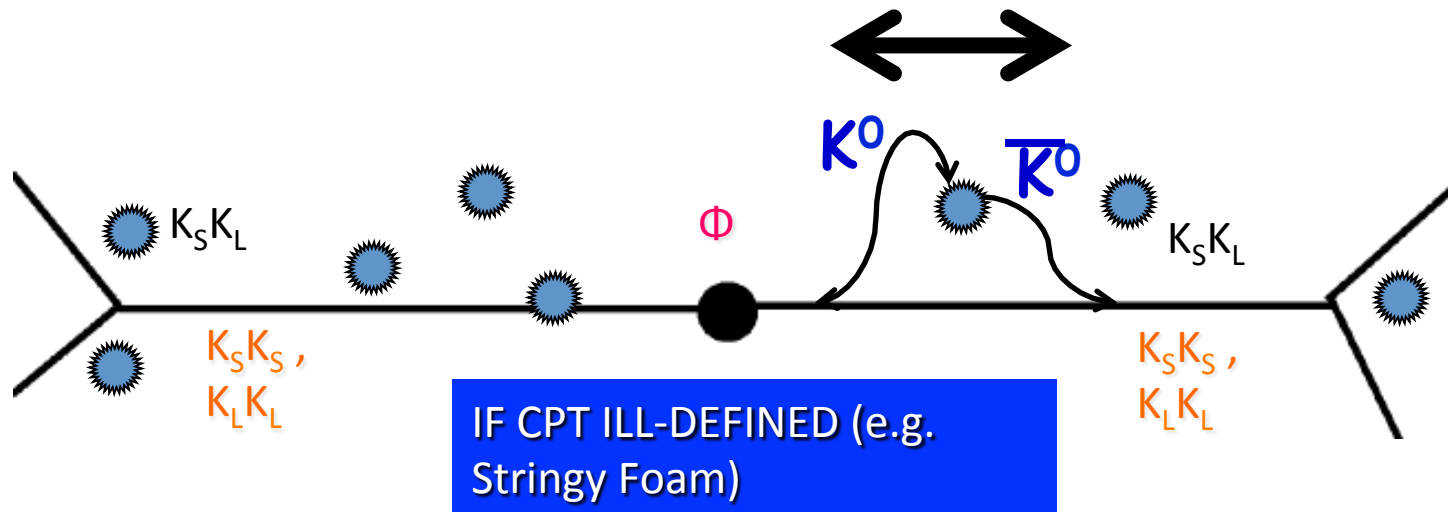


$$|K_L\rangle \propto (1 + \epsilon - \delta) |K^0\rangle - (1 - \epsilon + \delta) |\bar{K}^0\rangle$$

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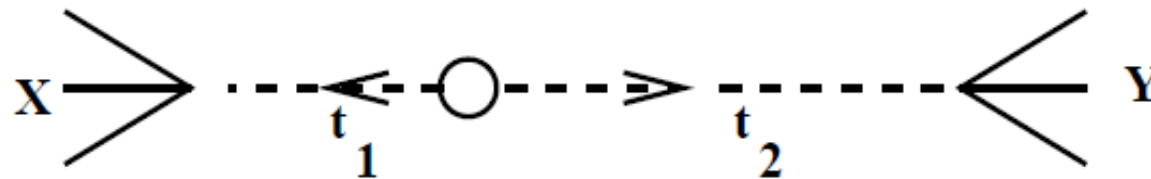


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ϕ Decays and the ω Effect

Consider the ϕ decay amplitude: final state X at t₁ and Y at time t₂ (t = 0 at the moment of ϕ decay)



Amplitudes:

$$A(X, Y) = \langle X|K_S\rangle\langle Y|K_S\rangle\mathcal{N} (A_1 + A_2)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= e^{-i(\lambda_L + \lambda_S)t/2} [\eta_X e^{-i\Delta\lambda\Delta t/2} - \eta_Y e^{i\Delta\lambda\Delta t/2}] \\ A_2 &= \omega [e^{-i\lambda_S t} - \eta_X \eta_Y e^{-i\lambda_L t}] \end{aligned}$$

the CPT-allowed and CPT-violating parameters respectively, and $\eta_X = \langle X|K_L\rangle/\langle X|K_S\rangle$ and $\eta_Y = \langle Y|K_L\rangle/\langle Y|K_S\rangle$.

The "intensity" $I(\Delta t)$: ($\Delta t = t_1 - t_2$) is **an observable**

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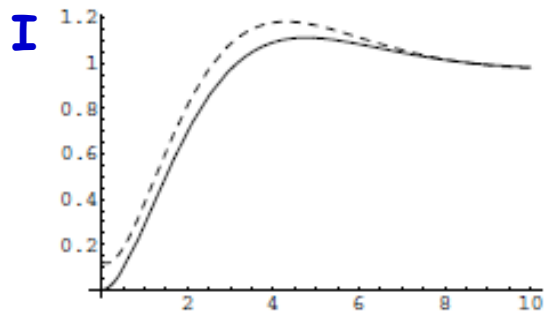
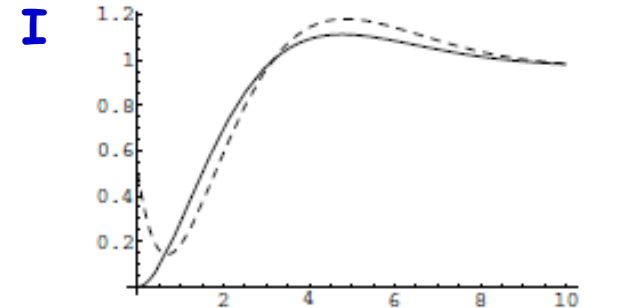
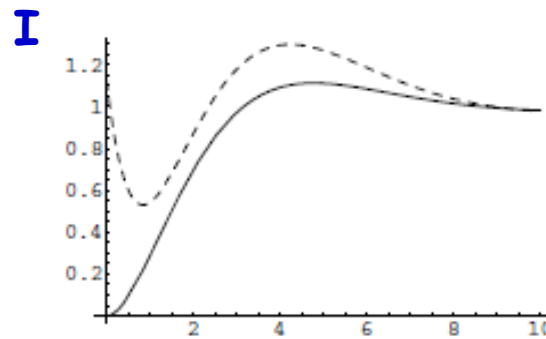
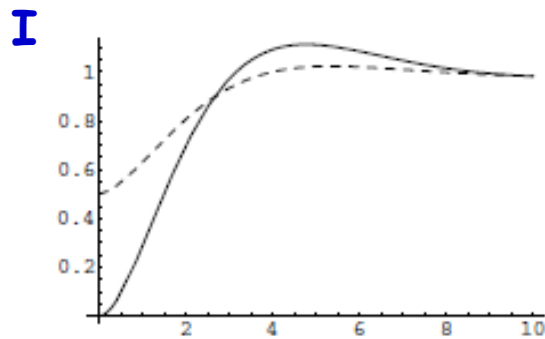
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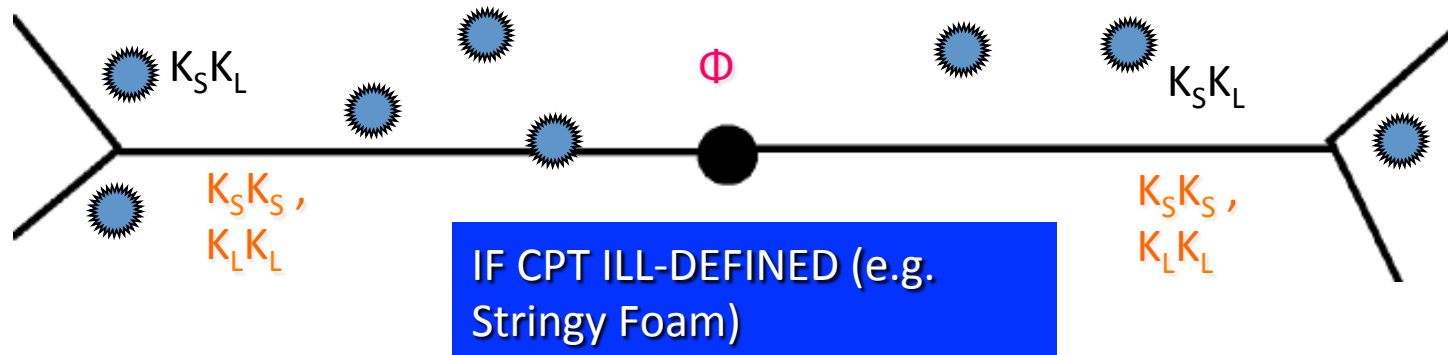


Δt

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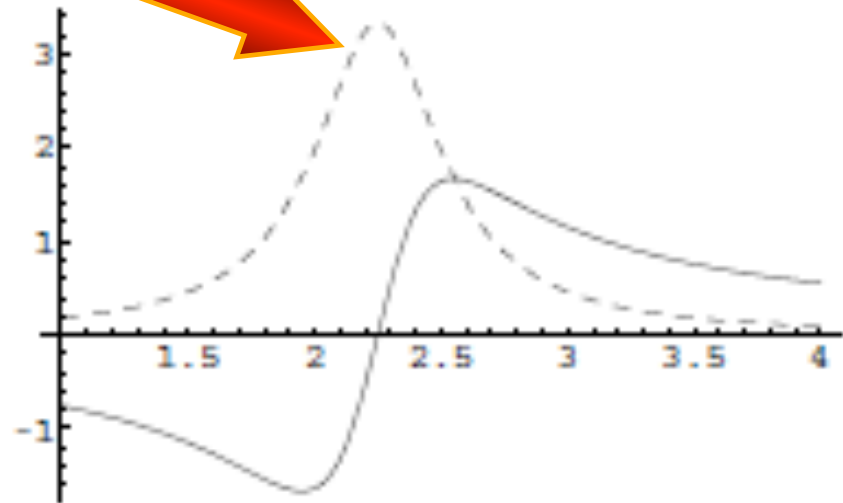
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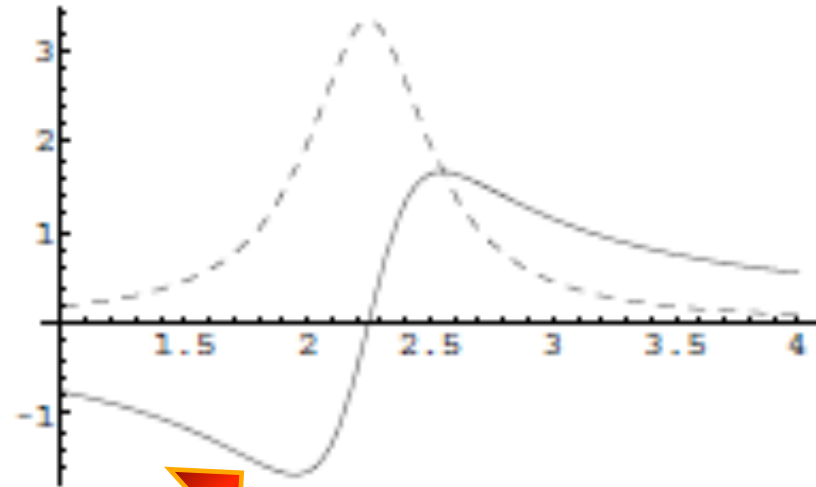
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$K_S K_S$ terms from $C=+$ background
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Real part of Breit-Wigner amplitude
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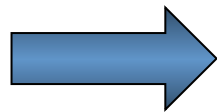
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- But Interesting tests of the ω -effect can be performed by looking at the equal-sign di-lepton decay channels

a first decay $B \rightarrow X \ell^\pm$ and a second decay, Δt later, $B \rightarrow X' \ell^\pm$

$$A_{sl} = \frac{I(\ell^+, \ell^+, \Delta t) - I(\ell^-, \ell^-, \Delta t)}{I(\ell^+, \ell^+, \Delta t) + I(\ell^-, \ell^-, \Delta t)} \Big|_{\omega=0} = 4 \frac{\text{Re}(\varepsilon)}{1 + |\varepsilon|^2} + \mathcal{O}((\text{Re } \varepsilon)^2)$$

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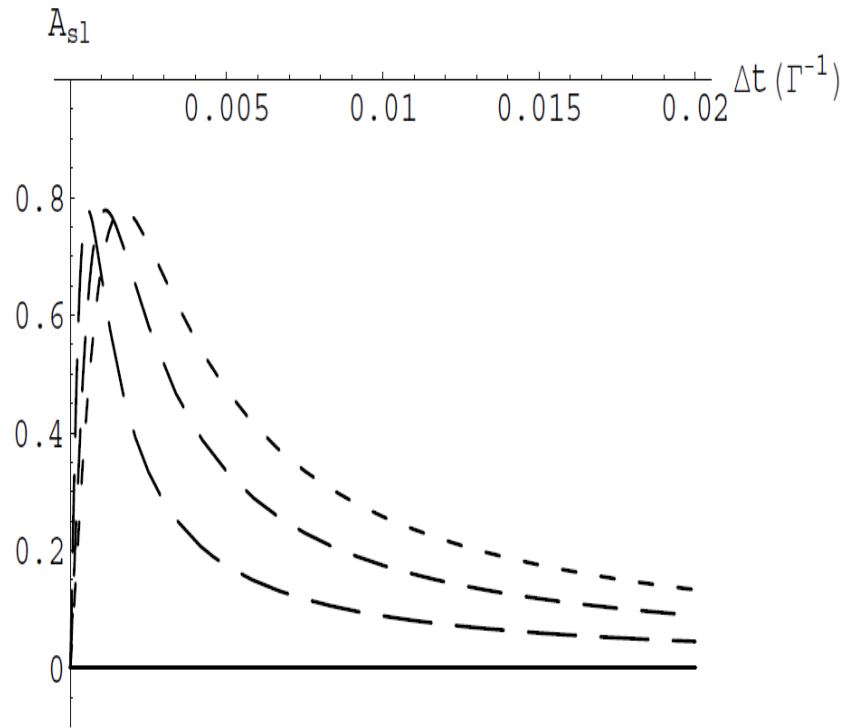
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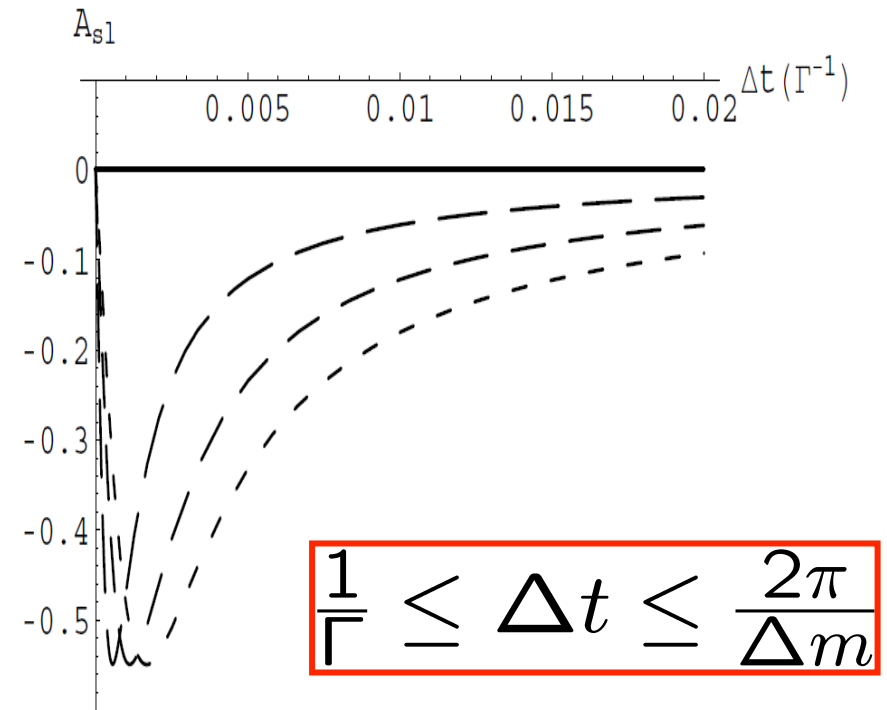
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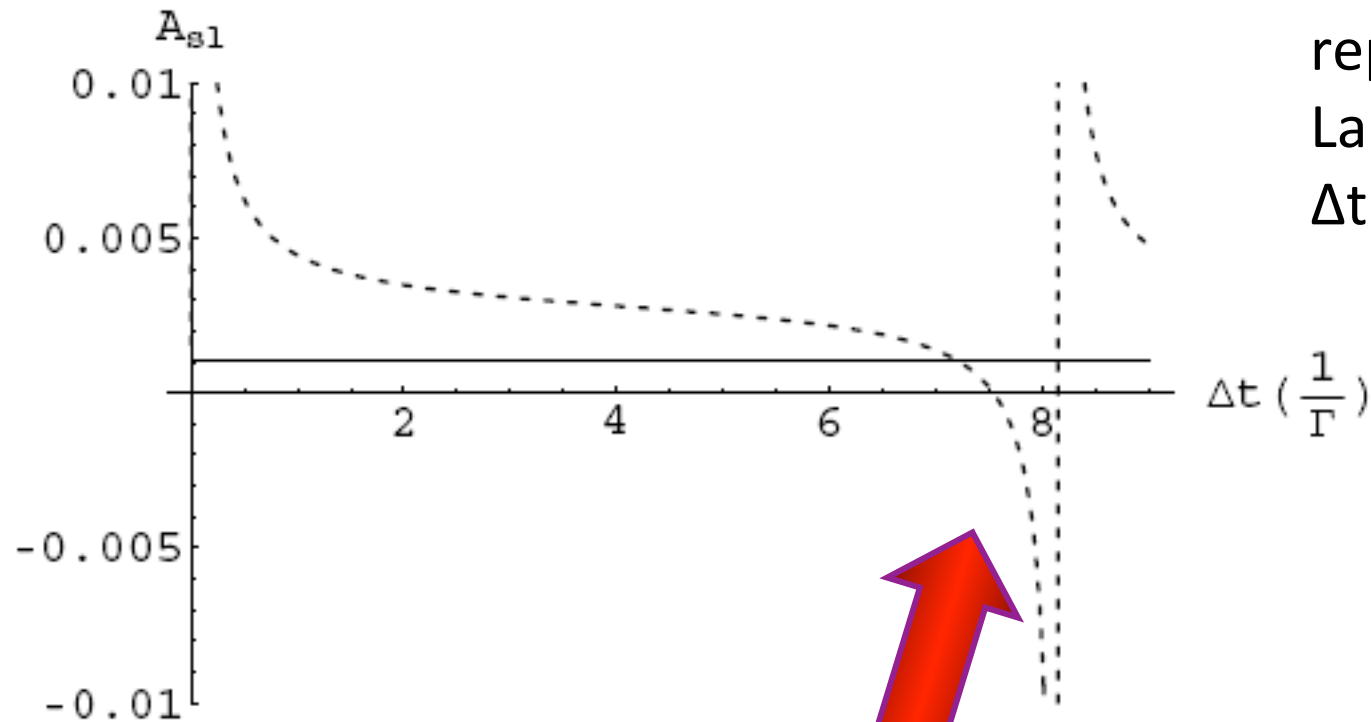


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Equal-Sign di-lepton charge asymmetry



Peak structure
repeats itself at
Larger times
 $\Delta t \Delta m = 2\pi$

$$\Delta t \Delta m \simeq 2\pi \simeq 8.2 \cdot \Gamma^{-1} \Delta m$$

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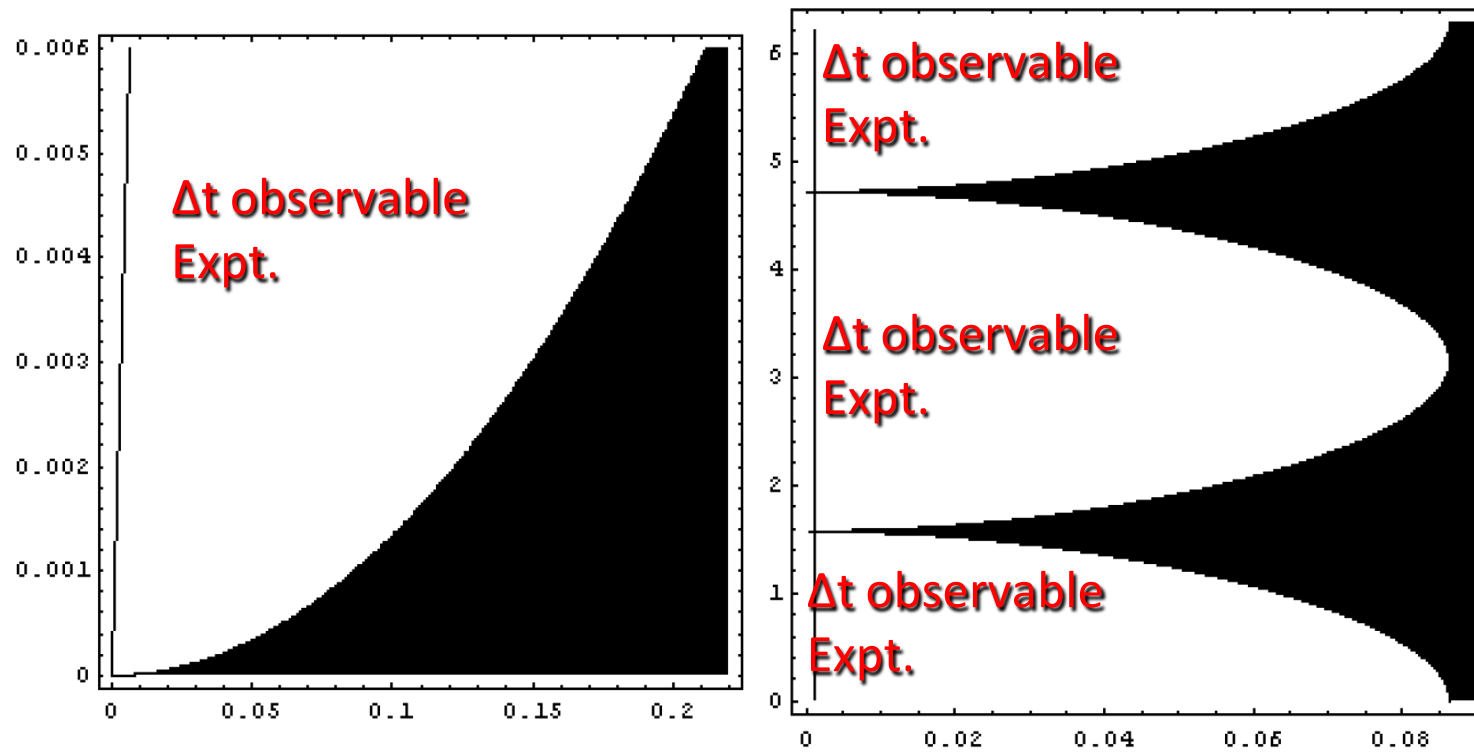
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95% C.L



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$$e^{-8.2} \sim 10^{-4}$$

Future super B experiments
could exhibit sensitivity in
such regions (?)

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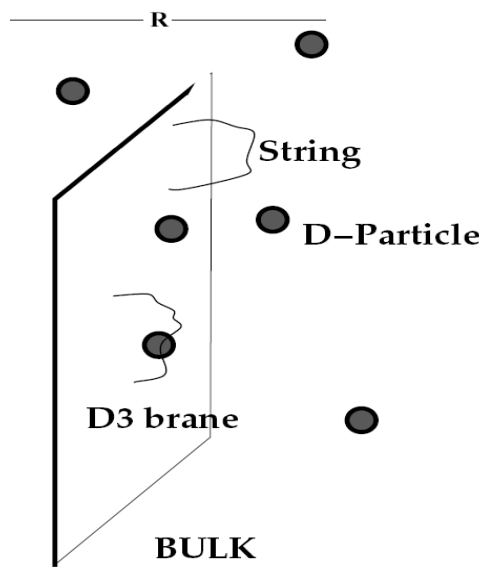
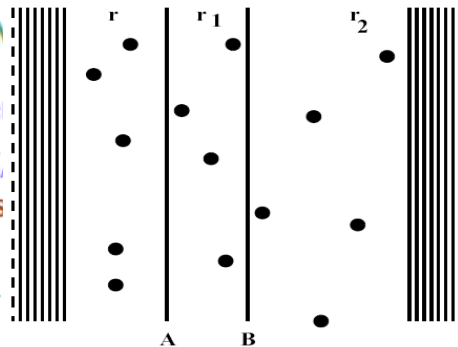
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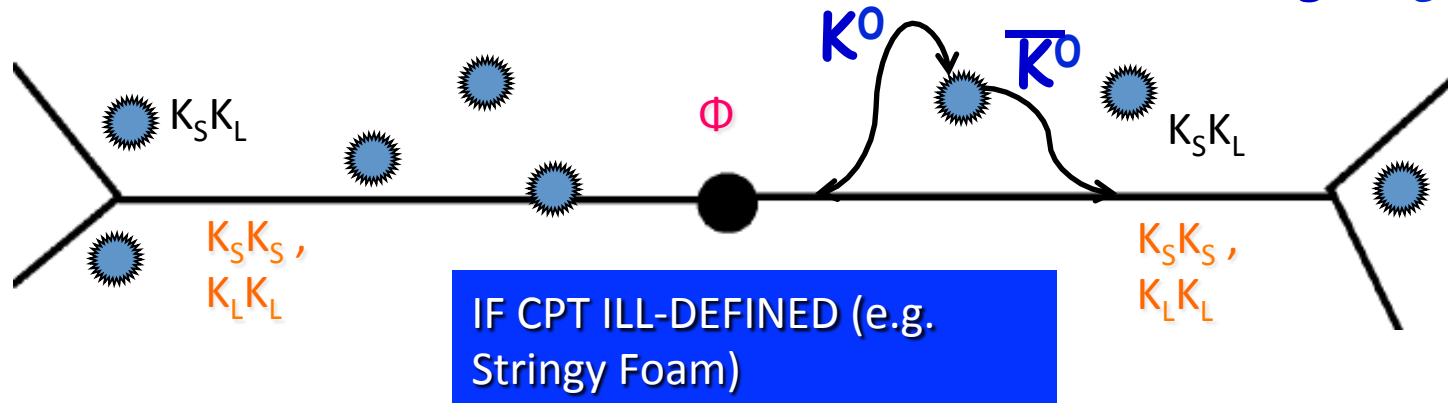
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Bernabeu, NEM, Sarkar

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"Flavour" (species) change $K_S \leftrightarrow K_L$



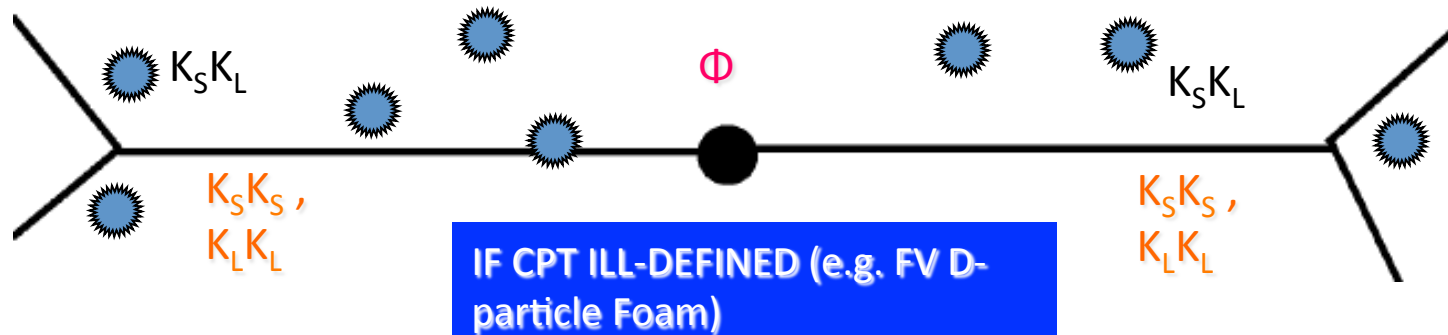
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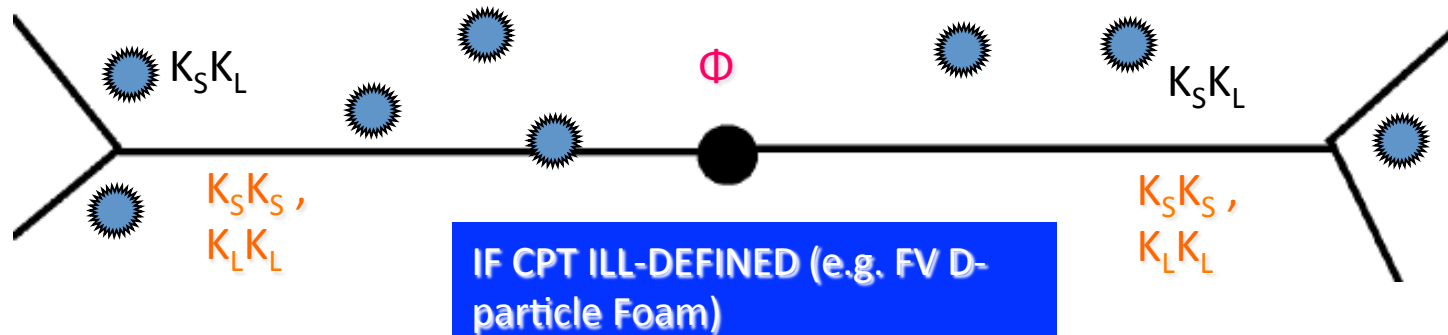
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only **gluons** inside the Kaons **do**, suppressed effects?
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ω -effect as discriminant of foam models

Bernabeu, NEM, Sarben Sarkar

- ω -effect not generic, depends on details of foam

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$$\widehat{H}_I = - (r_1 \sigma_1 + r_2 \sigma_2) \widehat{k}$$


Features: *direction of k violates local Lorentz symmetry, flavour non conservation* **non-trivial ω -effect**

(II) Quantum Gravity Foam as “thermal isotropic Bath”

$$\mathcal{H} = \nu a^\dagger a + \frac{1}{2} \Omega \sigma_3^{(1)} + \frac{1}{2} \Omega \sigma_3^{(2)} + \gamma \sum_{i=1}^L \left(a \sigma_+^{(i)} + a^\dagger \sigma_-^{(i)} \right)$$



“atom” (matter) frequency


Bath frequency



Garay

no ω -effect





EPILOGUE

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MAGIC results (2005)



First Interesting result...
in conflict with Conventional
Astrophysical acceleration
AGN Models (e.g. Crab Nebula)

TeV Photons from
Active Galactic Nucleus
(AGN) Mkn 501 at red-shift
 $z = 0.03$

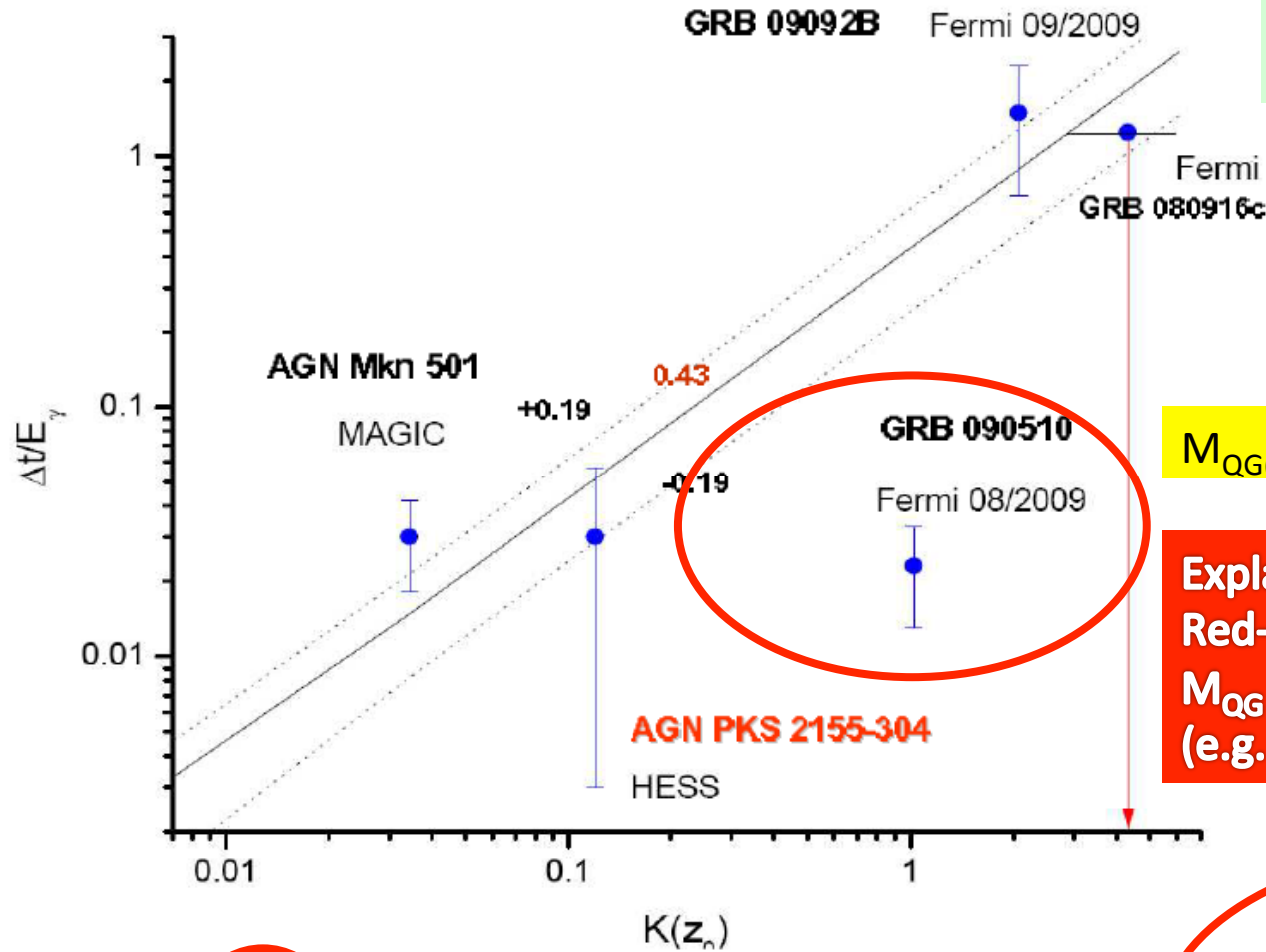
More energetic
photons (1.2 - 10 TeV)
delayed by $O(1 \text{ min})$ compared
to $E < 0.6 \text{ TeV}$

Interestingly can fit **QG**
subluminal refractive index
with **linear** M_{QG} suppression
with $M_{\text{QG}(1)} = 0.2 \times 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$

or, if astrophysics at source
taken into account
 $M_{\text{QG}(1)} > 0.2 \times 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$

Observed Photon Delays (H.E.S.S, FERMI)

Ellis, NEM, Nanopoulos
(2009, 2010)



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Explained by
Red-shift dependent
 M_{QG} scale
(e.g. D-foam voids at $z=0.9$)

$$\Delta t = \frac{E}{M_{QG}} H_0^{-1} \int_0^z dz \frac{(1+z)}{\sqrt{\Omega_M(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}}$$

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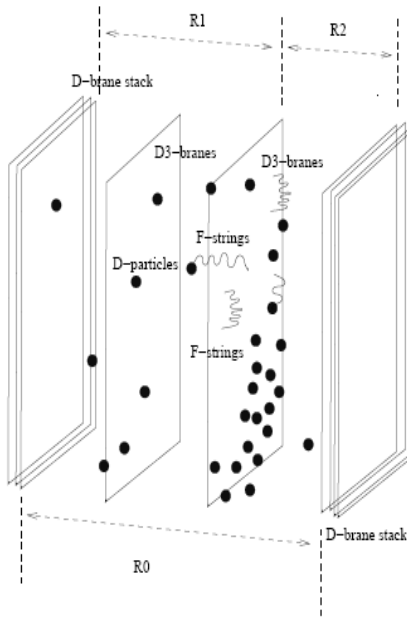
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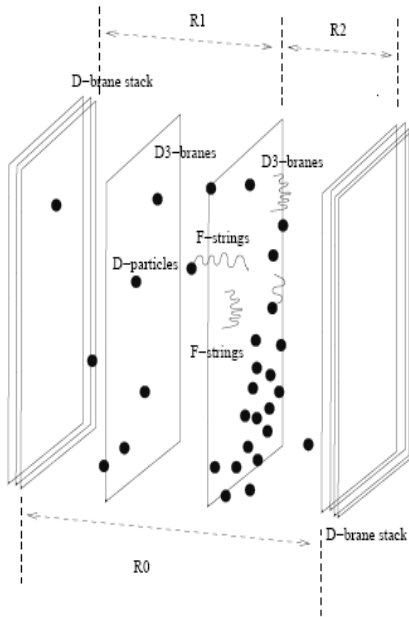
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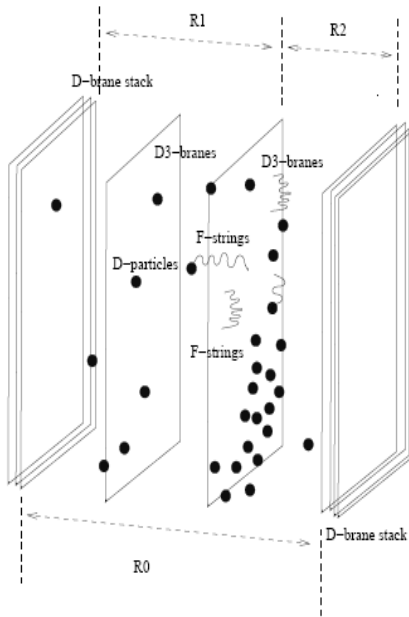
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CAUSALITY & SUPERLUMINALITY

No problems with Causality if **Superluminality** is **Observer dependent**

i.e. Causality paradox arise if signals travel with the **same** speed $V > c$ in **two different** frames

Liberati, Sonego, Visser (2002)



Previous examples are fine in this respect, the effects on photon dispersion relation can be represented by "effective" metrics ,

$$p^\mu p^\nu g_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

e.g. in Casimir photons in a cavity (n^μ unit space-like vector orthogonal to plates)

$$x^\mu \rightarrow x^\mu + \xi^\mu(x, u)$$
$$g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow g_{\mu\nu} + \partial_{(\mu} \xi_{\nu)}$$



As such, **speed of signal** depends on **observer velocities** u^μ relative to system

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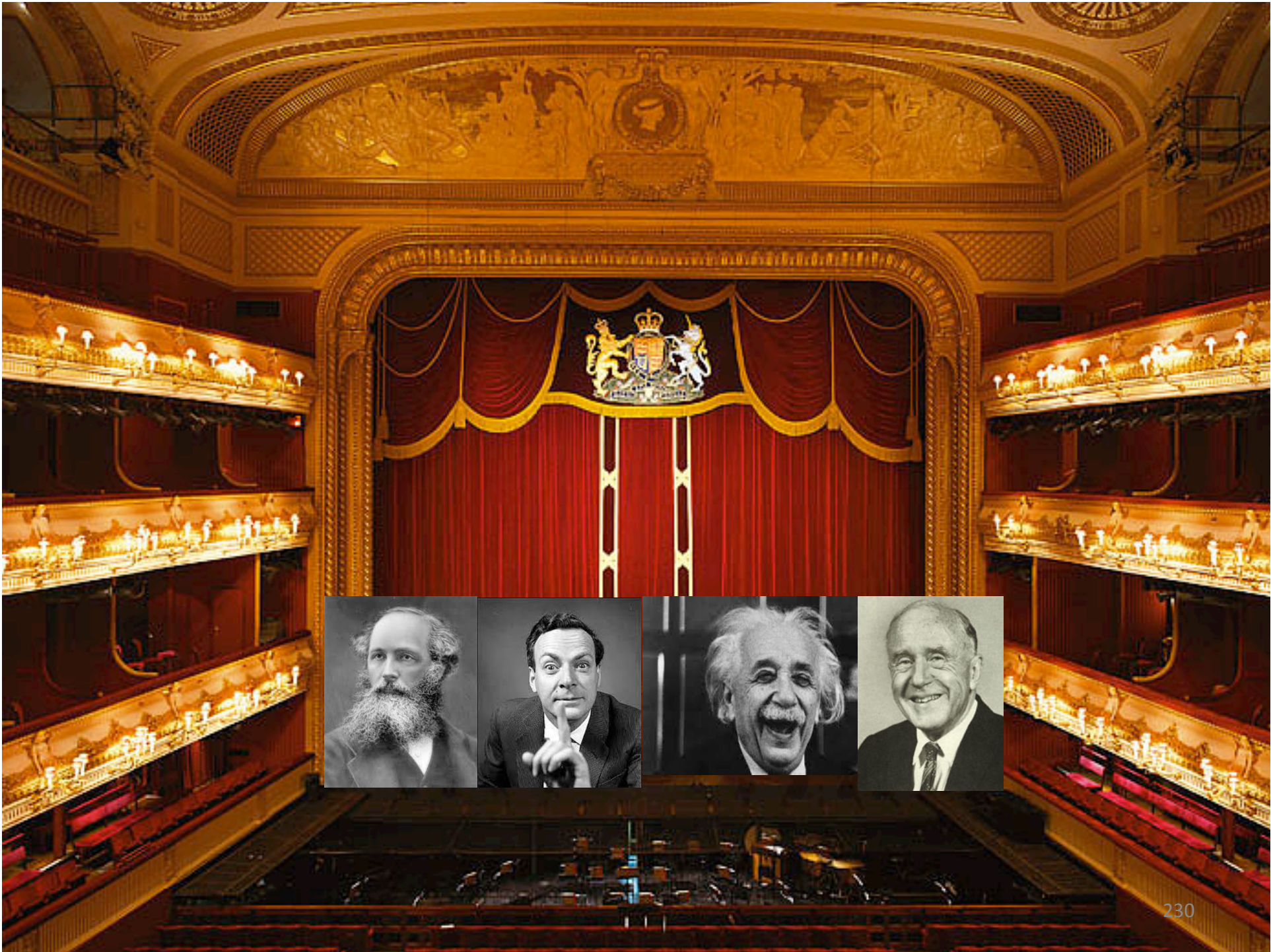


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