



Nuclear Force from String Theory



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input : f_π, m_ρ [Sakai, Sugimoto, KH (arXiv/0806.3122)]

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μ_{Δ^+}	2.32	—	$2.7_{-1.3}^{+1.0} \pm 1.5 \pm 3$	2.49
μ_{Δ^0}	0.204	—	—	0.06
μ_{Δ^-}	-1.91	—	—	-2.45

Plan

Holographic QCD :
Derivation / Computation

Nuclear Force at Short Range

Superstring theory, D-branes

(ii)  Derivation

Holographic QCD

Low energy massless QCD at large N_c = Gravity in 5 dim. + Yang-Mills in 5 dim.

(i)  Computation

Meson, baryon, glueball sectors

How to compute things

1. Write the action, 5D gravity + 5D $U(N_f)$ YM

$$S = \int d^5x \sqrt{-g}(R[g] + \Lambda) + \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} F_{MN}^2 + \dots$$

Free parameters : g_s, Λ, N_c, N_f

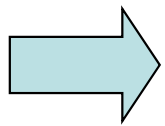
2. Choose a gravity background

$$ds^2 = \left(\frac{U}{R}\right)^{3/2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + f(U) d\tau^2) + \left(\frac{R}{U}\right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{dU^2}{f(U)} + U^2 d\Omega_4^2\right) \quad e^\phi = g_s \left(\frac{U}{R}\right)^{3/4}, \quad F_4 = \frac{2\pi N_c}{V_4} \epsilon_4, \quad f(U) = 1 - \frac{U_{KK}^3}{U^3}$$

3. Diagonalize fluctuations (Kaluza-Klein expansion)

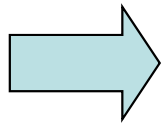
$$A_\mu(x^\mu, z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \psi^{(n)}(z) \rho_\mu^{(n)}(x^\mu)$$

4a. Substitute the expansion into the action, and perform integration $\int dz$



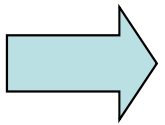
Effective action of mesons and glueballs
(Spectra and all interactions)

4b. Computations in soliton sectors
(YM instanton, small blackholes, etc)



Spectra / interaction of baryons,
QCD instantons, GUT monopoles

4c. Introduce classical configuration of a string



Quark-antiquark potential, Regge trajectory

D-branes giving the duality

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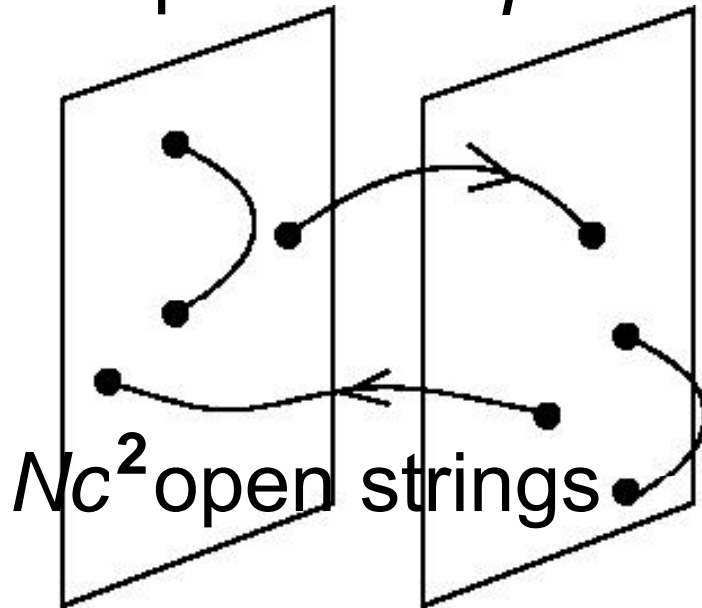
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N_c parallel D_p -branes



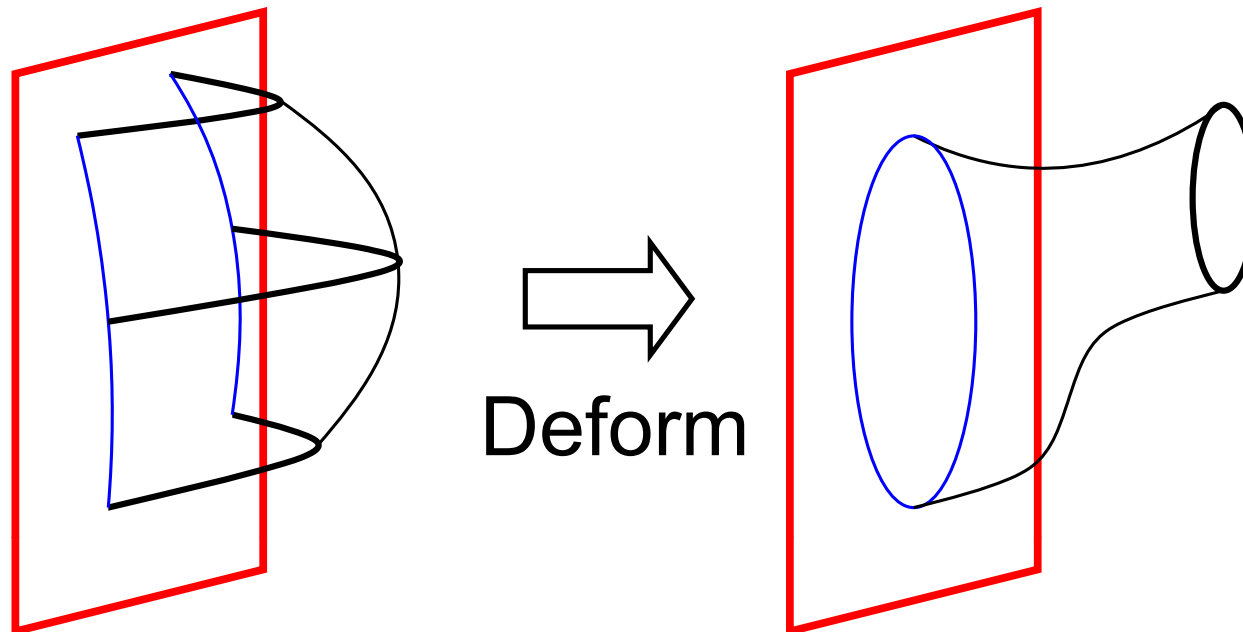
Open string theory
on the D_p -brane is :
 $SU(N_c)$ gauge theory
in $p+1$ dimensions

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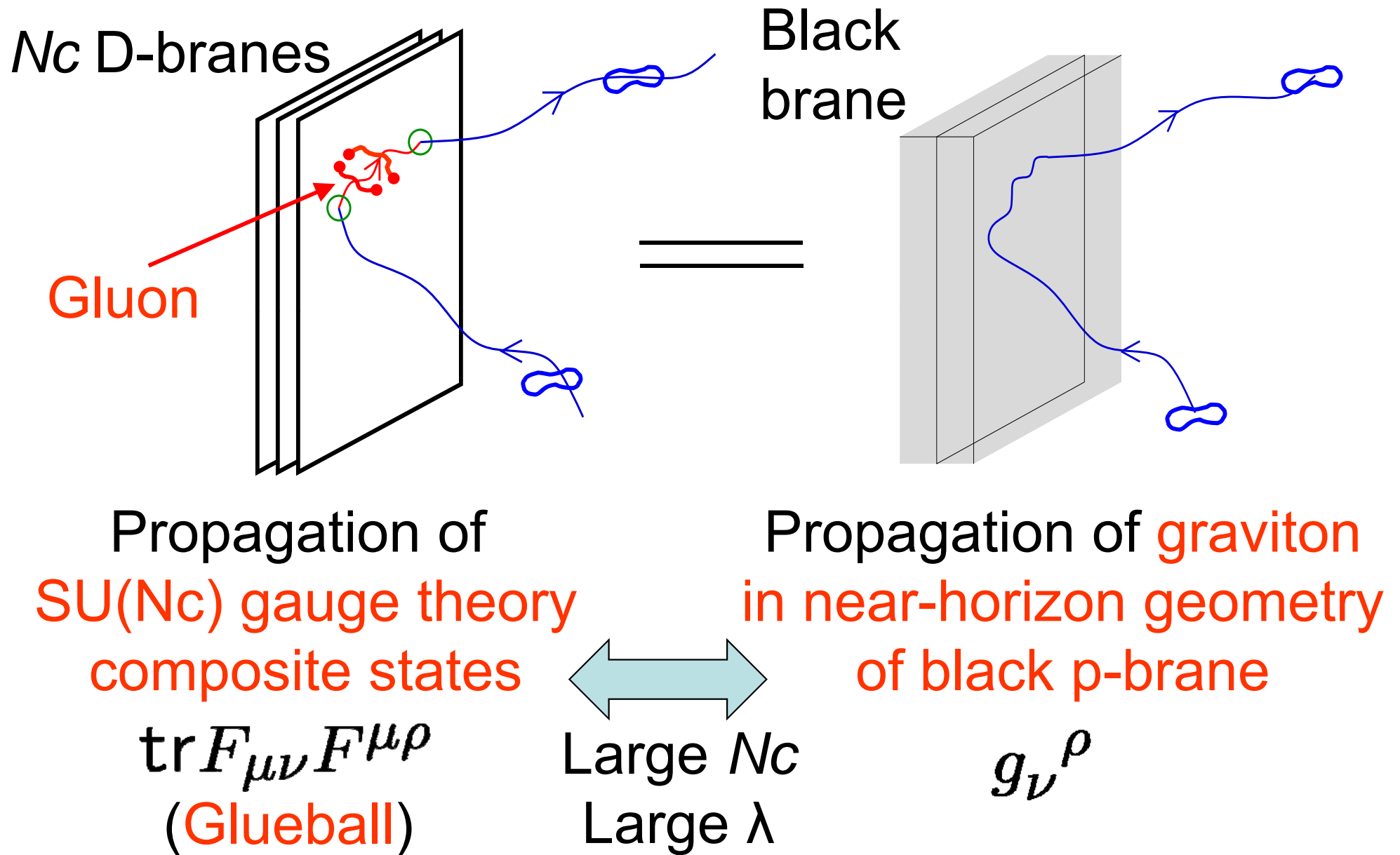
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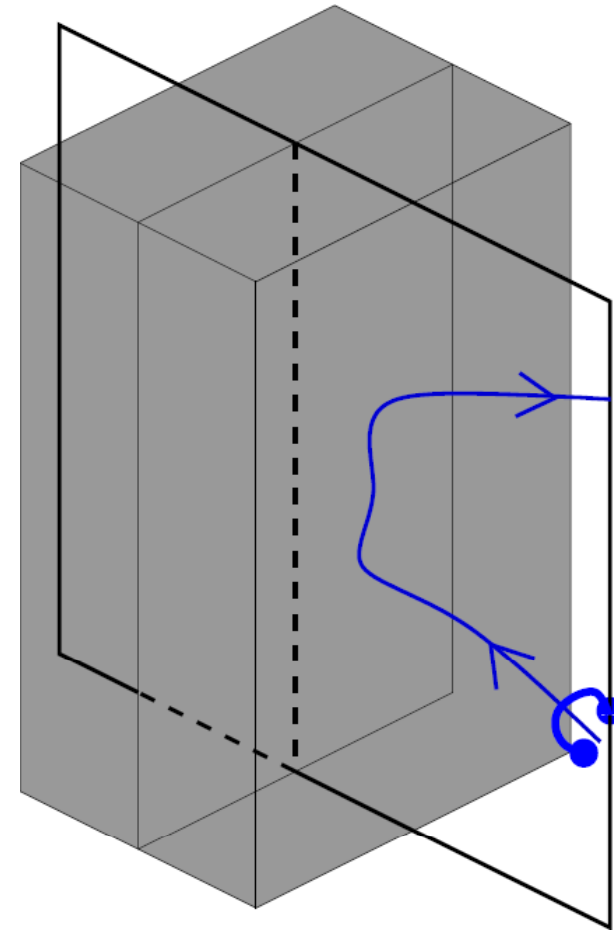
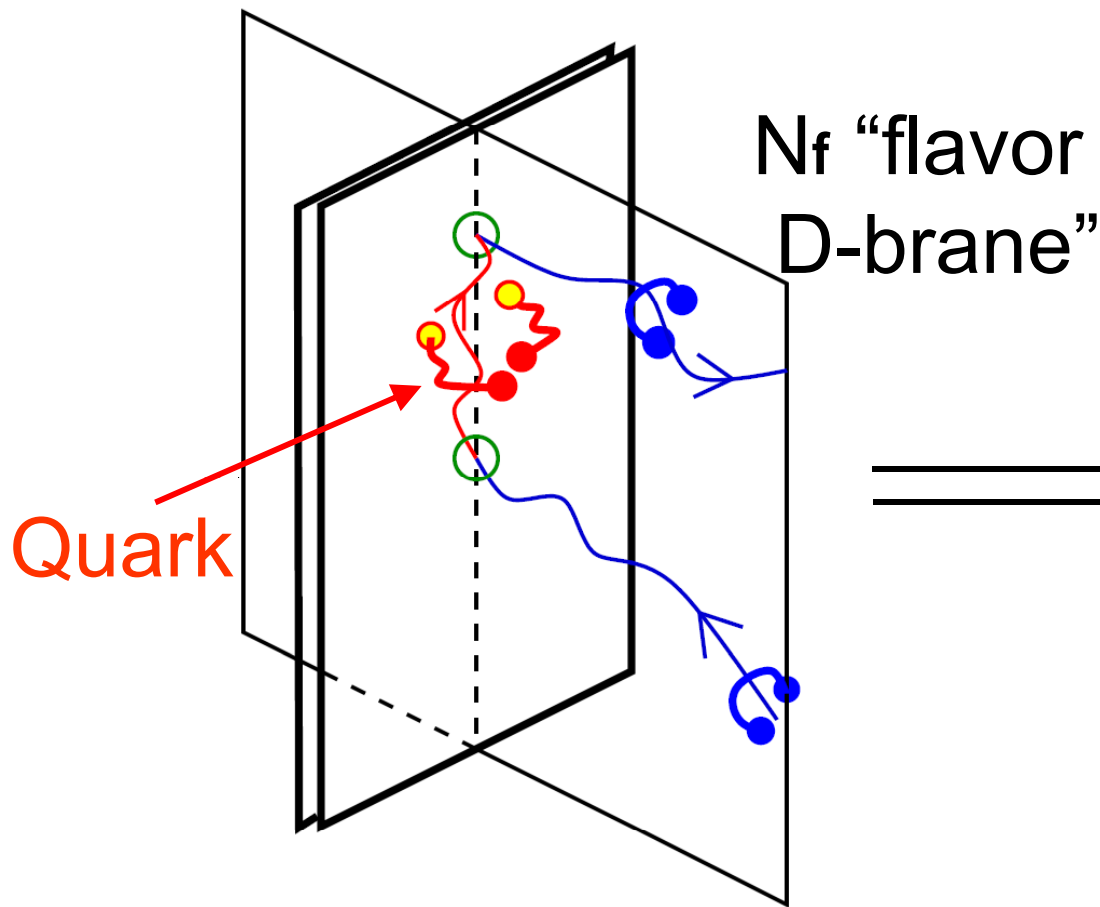
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D-branes = Object on which open strings can end
= Source of closed strings
= Source of gravity
= **Extended blackhole**
“blackbrane” in 10D

Holography (Gauge/Gravity duality)



Holographic QCD



Propagation of meson
 $\bar{q}\gamma\dots q$

$SU(N_f)$ gauge fields in
higher dim. D-brane
on curved background



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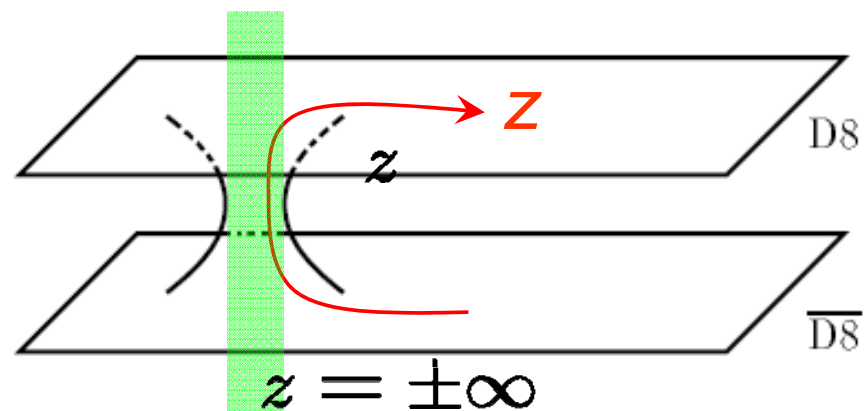
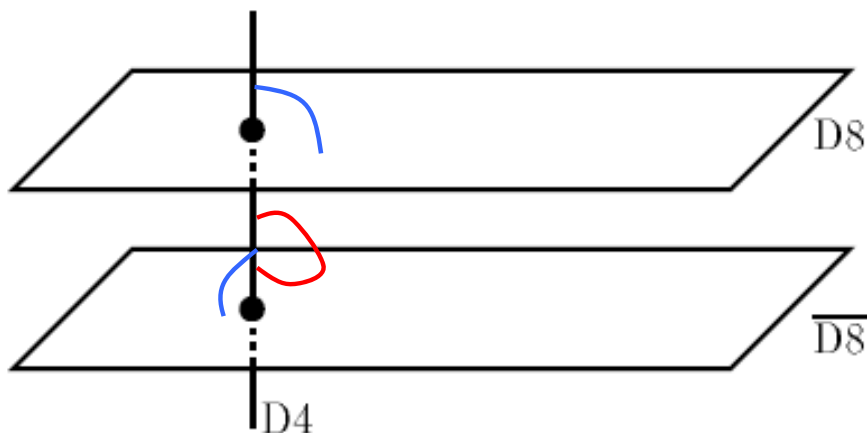
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Important features:

Extra “holographic” dimension z .

The gauge group is flavor $U(N_f)$.

Chiral rotation is defined at $z = \pm\infty$

Mesons = flavor gauge fields

$A_\mu \rightarrow$ Vector mesons, $A_z \rightarrow$ Massless pion

$$S = \int d^4x \left(\frac{f_\pi^2}{4} \text{tr} (U^{-1} \partial_\mu U)^2 + \frac{1}{32e^2} \text{tr} [U^{-1} \partial_\mu U, U^{-1} \partial_\nu U]^2 \right)$$
$$f_\pi^2 = \frac{1}{54\pi^4} (g_{YM}^2 N_c) M_{KK}^2 N_c \quad e^2 = \frac{27\pi^7}{2b} \frac{1}{(g_{YM}^2 N_c) N_c}$$

Baryons = YM instantons

Baryon = Instanton in (x^1, x^2, x^3, z) [Sakai, Sugimoto(04)]

$$+ \frac{N_c}{24\pi^2} \text{tr} \int [A \boxed{F^2} + \dots] \quad \text{Instanton charge sources } U(1)_v$$

Quantization of instantons \rightarrow Baryon spectrum

[Hata, Sakai, Sugimoto, Yamato (07)] [Hong, Rho, Yee, Yi (07)]

Nuclear force at short distance

Inserting 2-instanton solution to the action gives

$$H = H^{(1)} + H^{(2)} + \boxed{H_1(r)}$$

Interaction hamiltonian

$$H_1(r) = \frac{1}{r^2} f(\text{Instanton moduli}) + \mathcal{O}(1/r^3)$$

Nucleon-nucleon potential = VEV $\langle H_1(r) \rangle$

with 2-baryon asymptotic wavefunction $|p \uparrow\rangle_1 |p \uparrow\rangle_2$

$$\langle H_1(r) \rangle = V_C(r) + (3\hat{r} \cdot \sigma_1 \hat{r} \cdot \sigma_2 - \sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2) V_T(r)$$

$$V_C(r) = \pi \left(\frac{27}{2} + \frac{32}{5} \vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{s}_2 \vec{I}_1 \cdot \vec{I}_2 \right) \frac{N_c}{\lambda} \frac{1}{r^2}$$

$$V_T(r) = \frac{8\pi}{5} \vec{I}_1 \cdot \vec{I}_2 \frac{N_c}{\lambda} \frac{1}{r^2}$$

**Strongly repulsive
with $1/r^2$ potential**

Conclusion

Nuclear force from string theory :

We compute Nuclear force at short distances

= First analytic result reproducing repulsive core,
from strongly coupled “QCD”

[Sakai, Sugimoto, KH, 0901.4449]

We compute also static properties of baryons, including
meson-baryon coupling. → Long range nuclear force

They nicely match exp. data

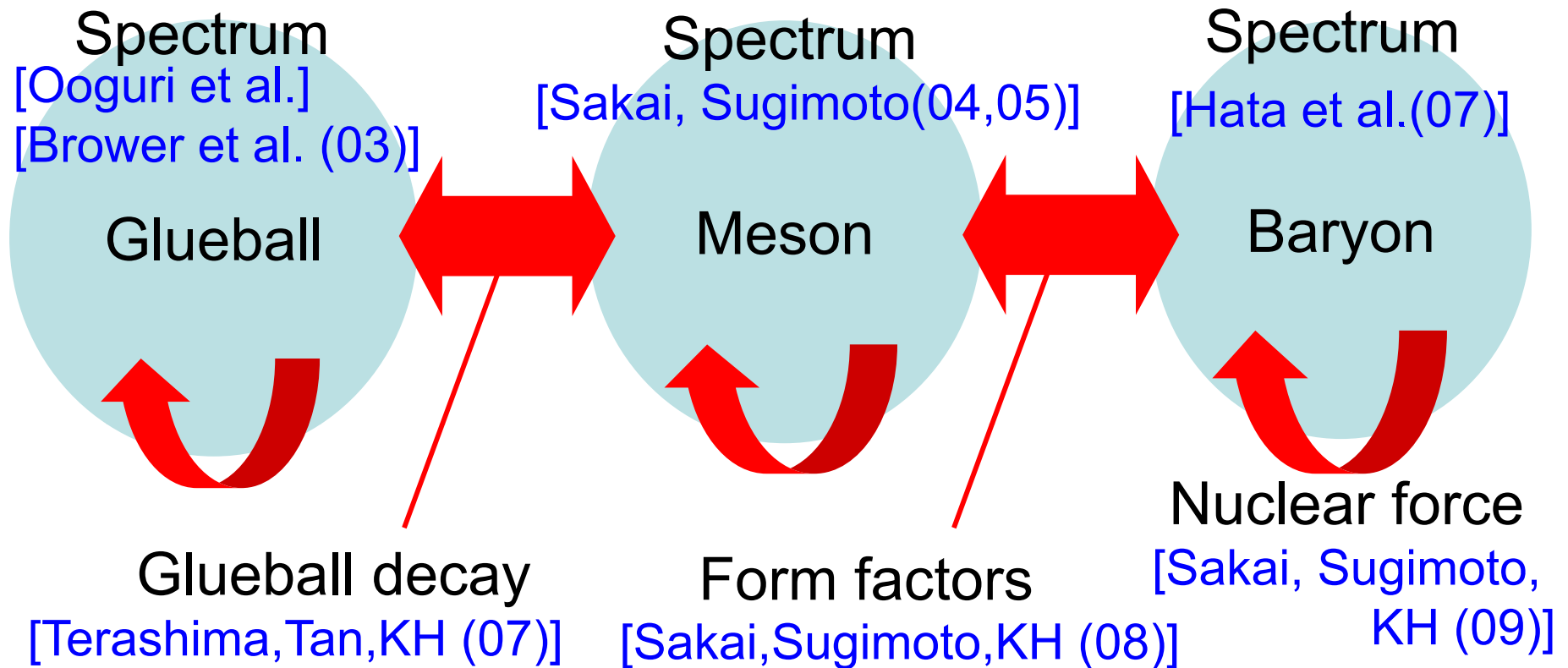
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Work in progress

- 3-body nuclear force, YN potential,
- Quark mass dependence, Color-flavor locking

Ref: [0906.0402, 0909.1296, 0909.????]

What can holographic QCD compute?



More : hidden local symmetry, vector meson dominance,
Jet quenching parameters, viscosity of plasma,
Quark drag force, meson melting and decay width,
Finite temperature, Chemical potential, Phase diagram