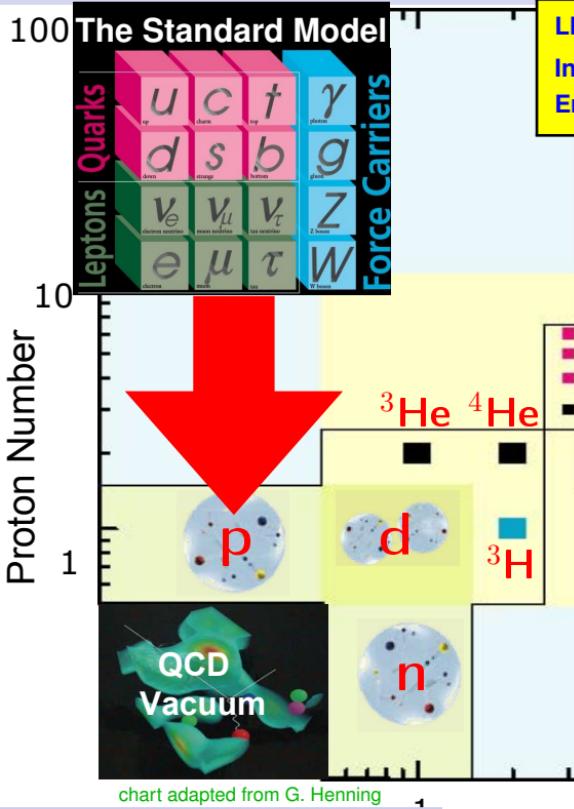


# How Important is QCD For The Nuclear Chart?

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## Emergence & Reductionism in Nuclear Physics: “Order from Chaos”



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“simple” QCD  $\Rightarrow$  rich low-E structure  $\Rightarrow$  patterns

$\Rightarrow$  Quantitatively differentiate between:

Universality  $\Leftrightarrow$  unique QCD/Chiral Symmetries & Dynamics

“Trivial”  $\Leftrightarrow$  “Interesting” observables

How important are anomalously large  $NN$  scatt. lengths?:

$$a(^1S_0) = -23.7 \text{ fm}, a(^3S_1) = +5.4 \text{ fm} \gg \text{typ. QCD scales}$$

Unitarity Limit  $|a| \rightarrow \infty$  is State of Heightened Symmetry:

Amplitude saturated – Wigner’s  $SU(4)$  spin-isospin symmetry

Scale invariance – dynamically broken in  $A \geq 3$  by Efimov effect.

$\Rightarrow$  LO: Nuclear Physics correlated to just one scale:  $B(^3\text{H})$ .

Is there a “Goldilocks Point of NP”:  $\frac{1}{a} \ll k_{\text{typ}} \ll m_\pi$ ?

$\Rightarrow$  Quantify if expansion about Unitarity converges (also to data)!

## Few-Nucleon Consistent With Unitarity

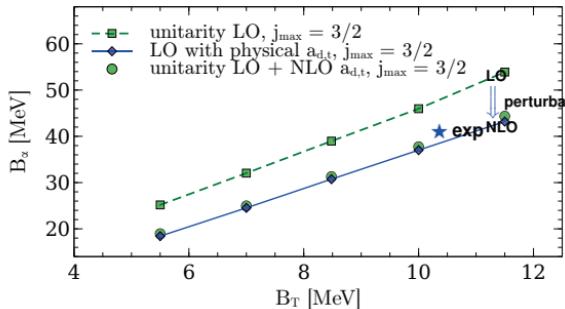
### **A 3: Parameter-free expansion about Unitarity:**

$$[B_{^3\text{H}-^3\text{He}}]^{\text{NLO}} = [0.92 \pm 0.18] \text{ MeV} \Leftrightarrow 0.764 \text{ MeV}_{\text{exp}}$$

$A = 4$ : Efimov Physics: 2 bound states, 1 barely bound.

	Fermion Unitarity LO → NLO	exp $^4\text{He}/^3\text{H}$
ground: $B_4/B_3$	$4.6 \rightarrow 3.8 \pm 0.2$	3.66
excitation: $B_4^*/B_3$	$\sim 1.1 \rightarrow \sim 0.98 \pm 0.05$	0.96

Explain Tjon line: correlation of  $^3\text{H}$ - $^4\text{He}$  binding

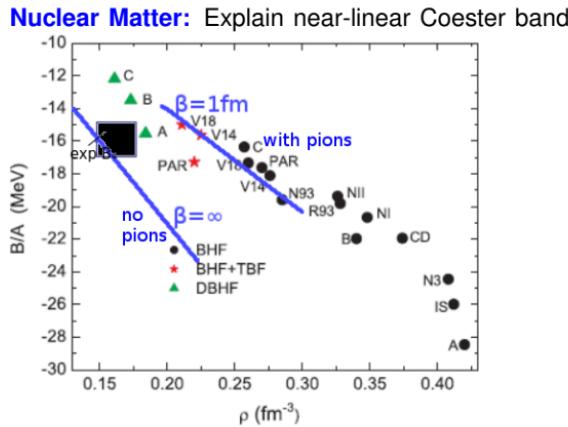


**PARADIGM SHIFT:** De-emphasise  $\pi N$  &  $NN$ , emphasise  $3N$  scale & universality.

Insight into concepts  $\Rightarrow$  Quantitatively test Emergence of ORDER/SIMPLICITY from complexity of NPs

**Atomic/Molecular systems: World of “nuclear-landscape-like” states** for He, Rb etc. (Feshbach resonances)?

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	$\rho_0$	$B/A$	$E_{\text{sym}}$	slope $E_{\text{sym}}$	$K_\infty$
Kievsky/...	0.15	-16	35	70	251
exp	0.16	-16	$\approx 30$	[40...60]	210

## How Far Is Too Far?

Radiates into  $\chi$ EFT: Re-evaluate rôle of 3N interactions.