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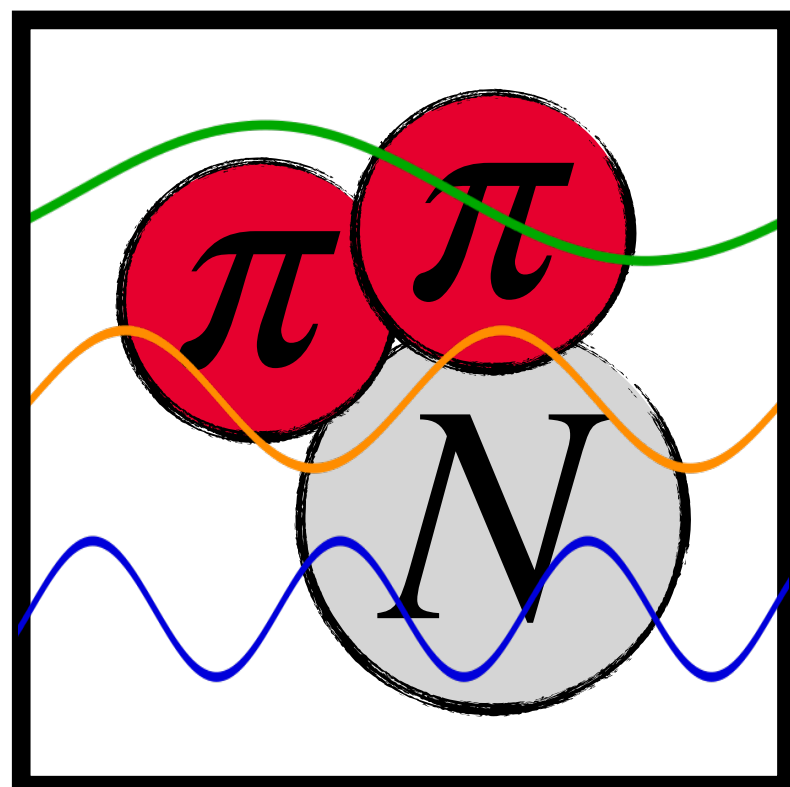
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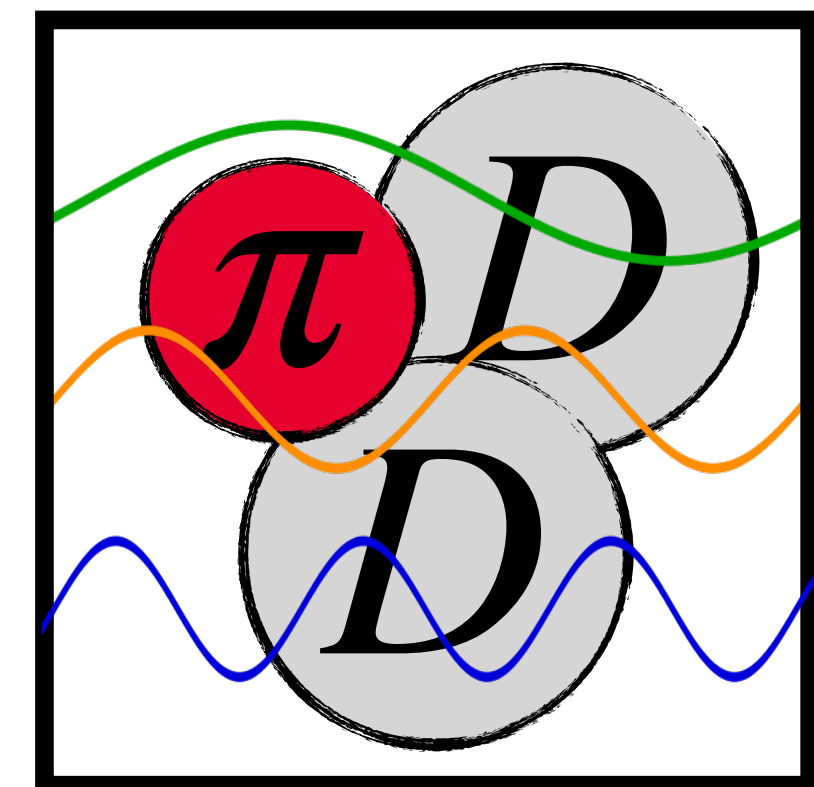
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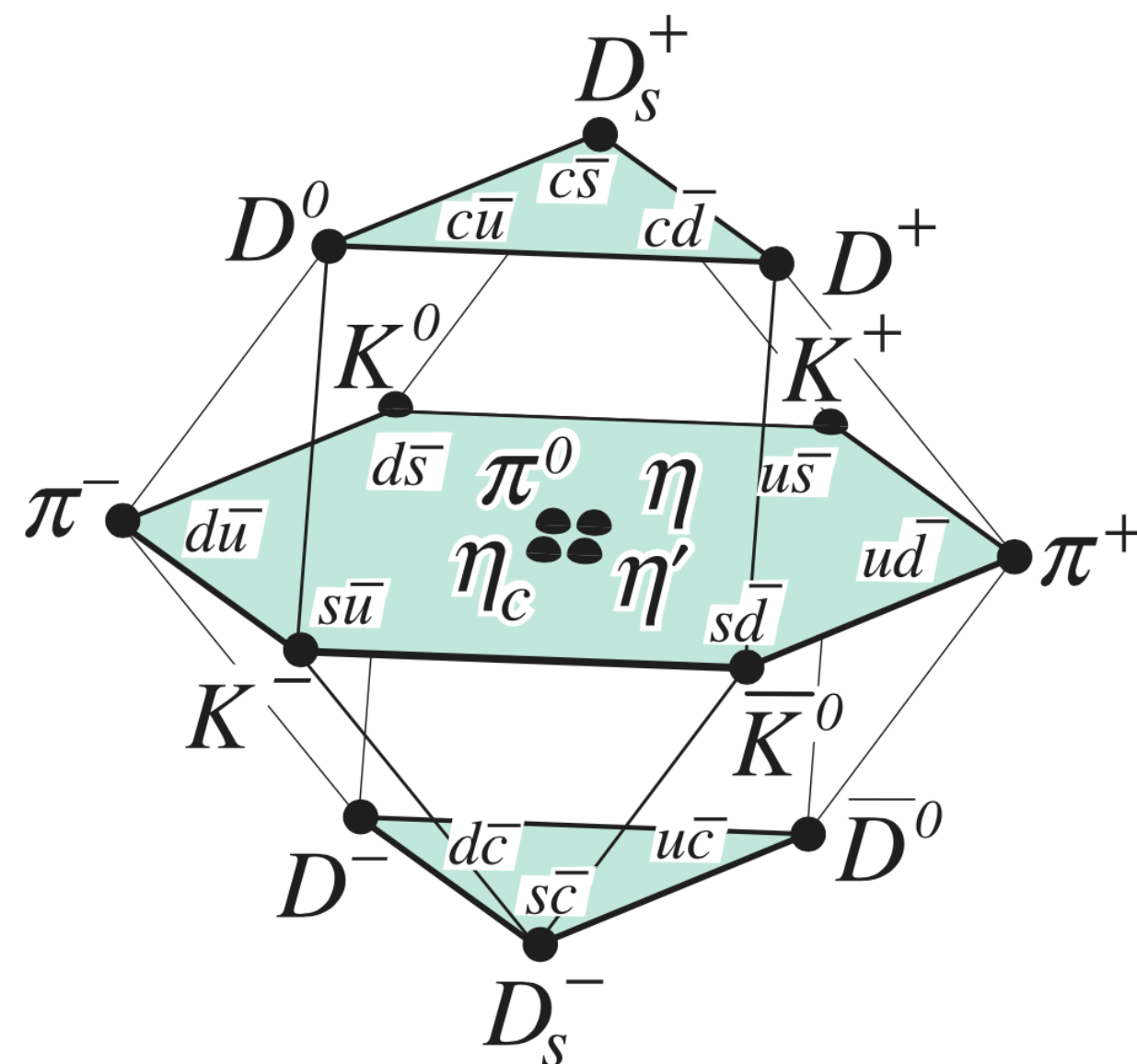
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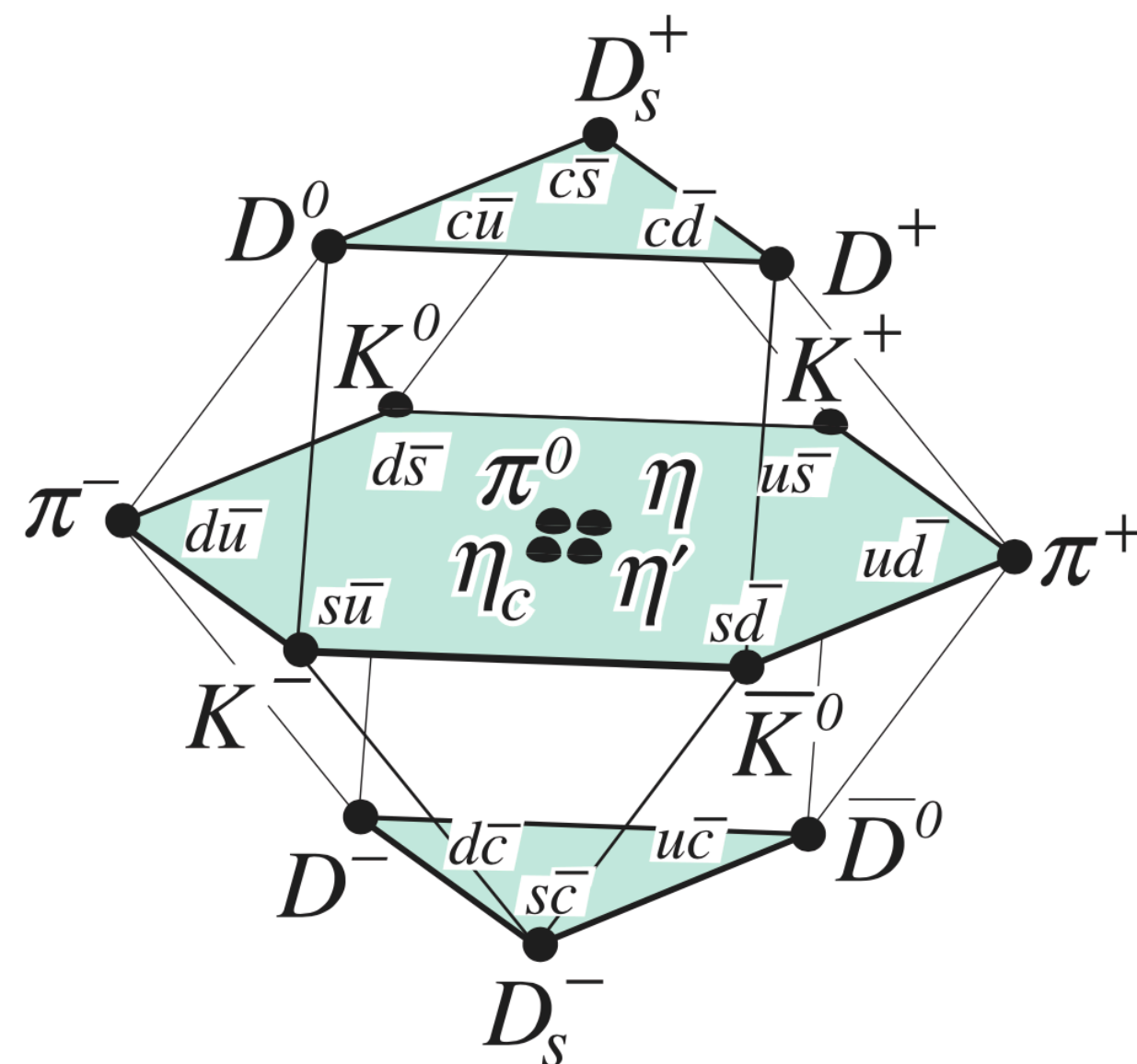


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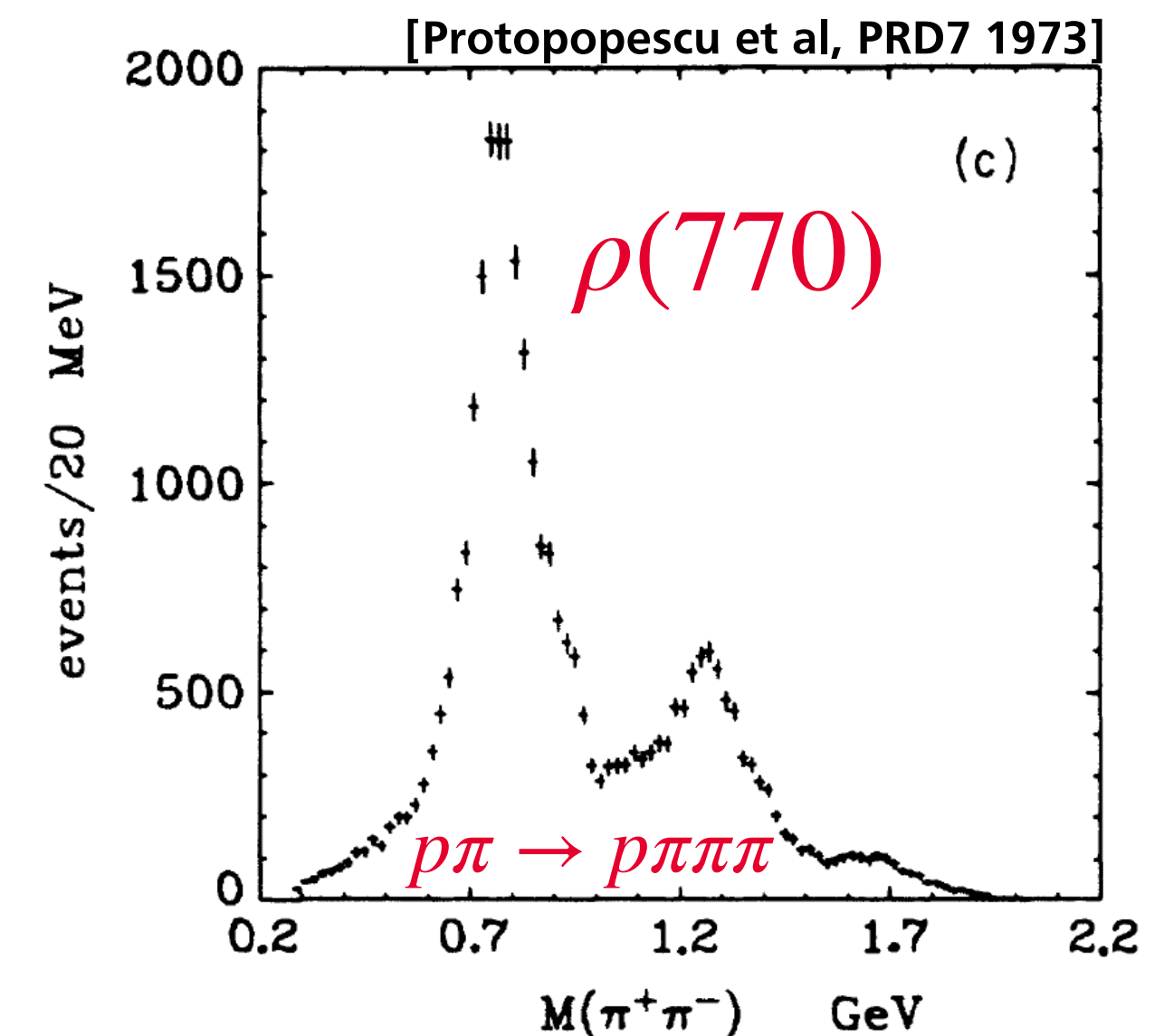
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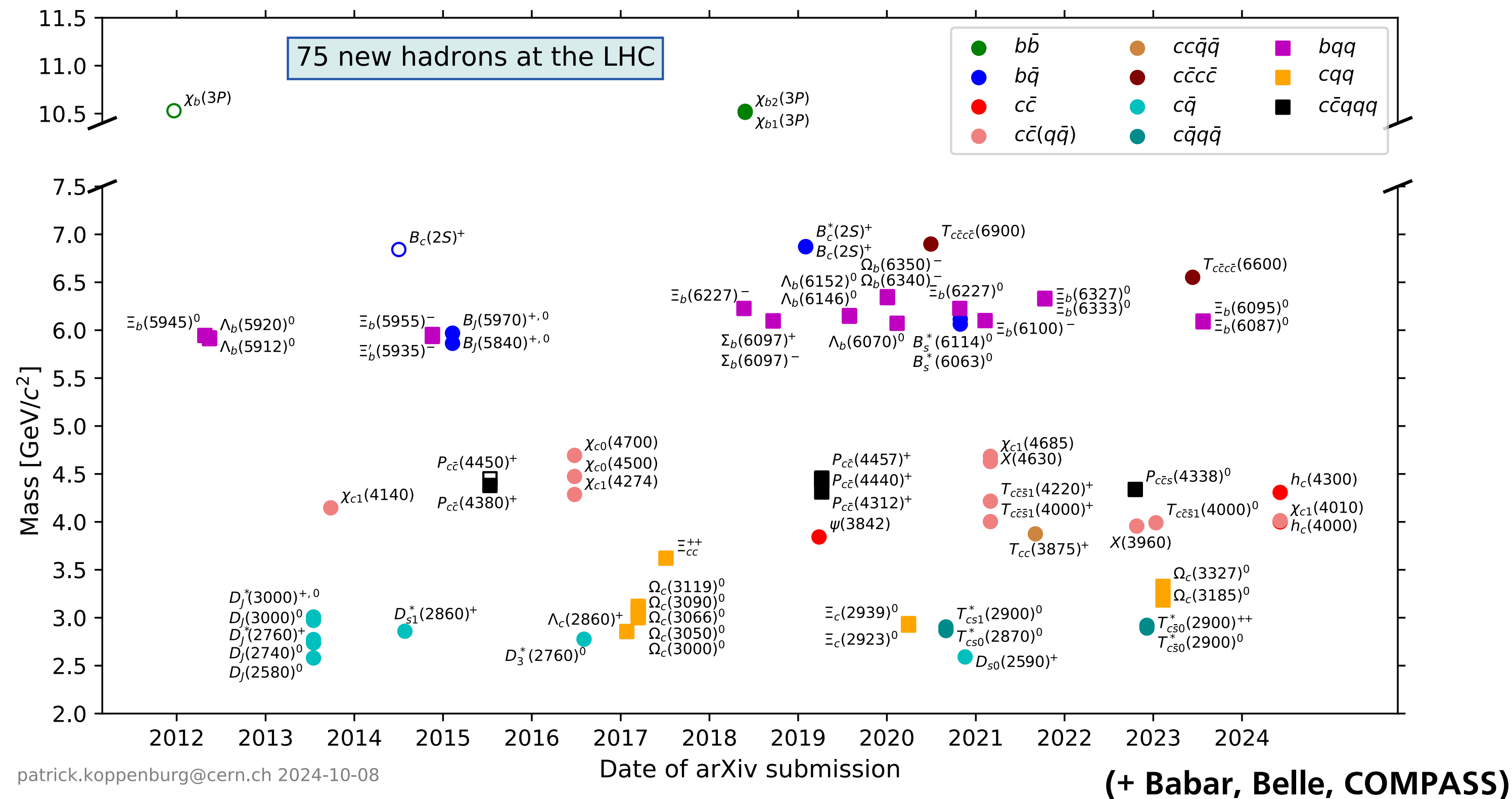


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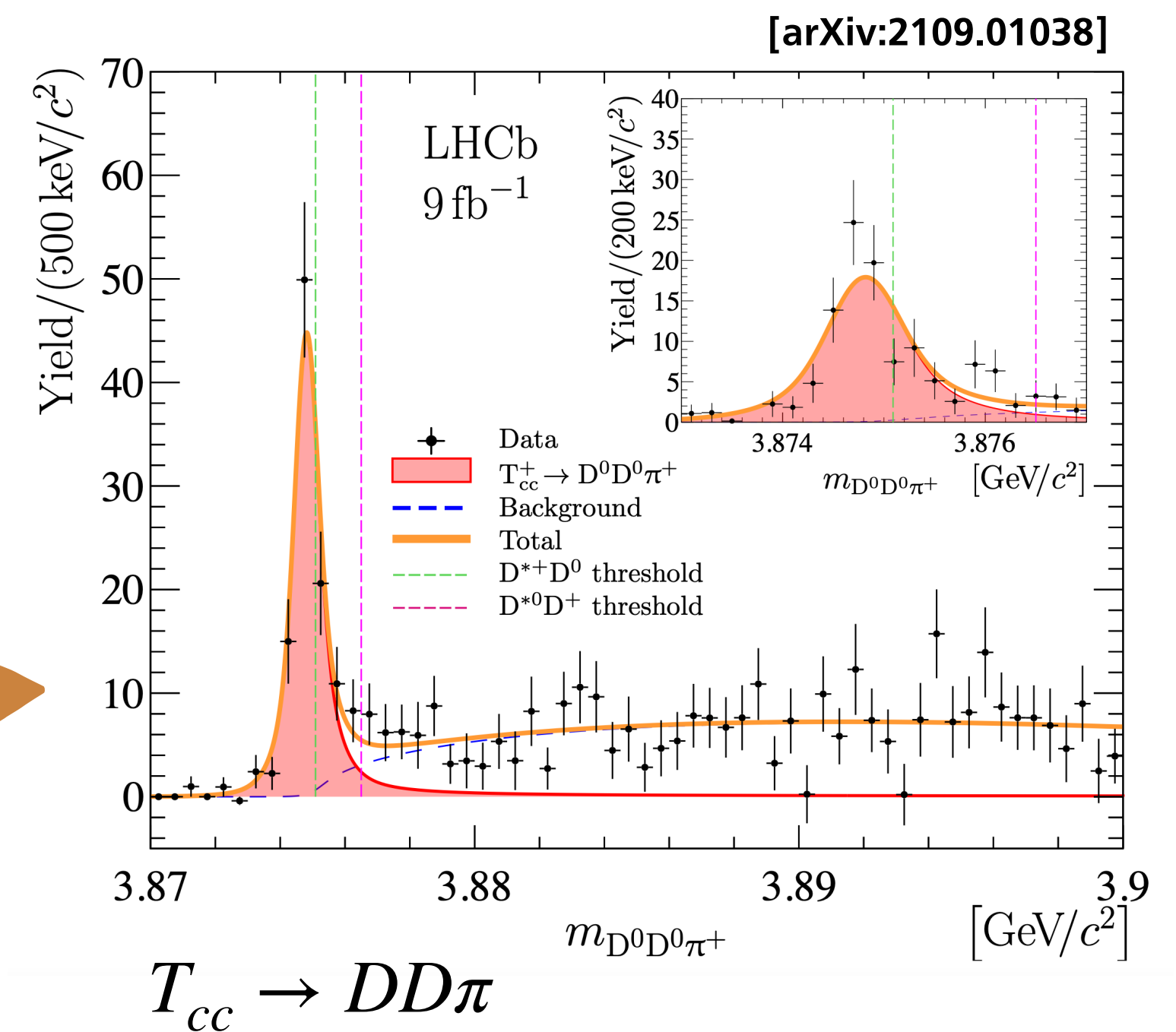
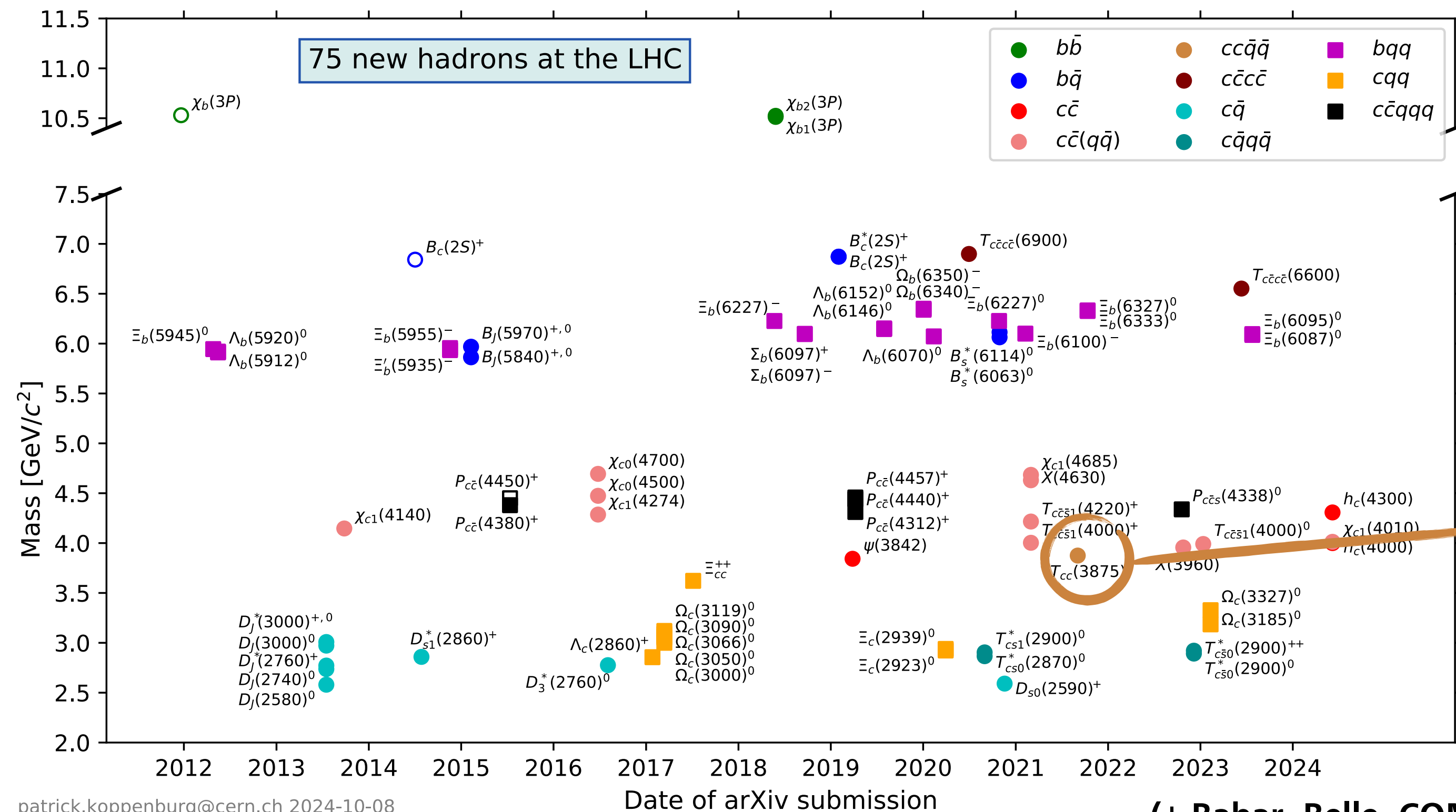
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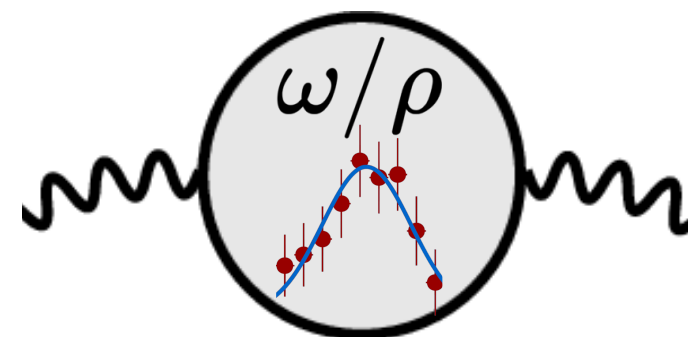
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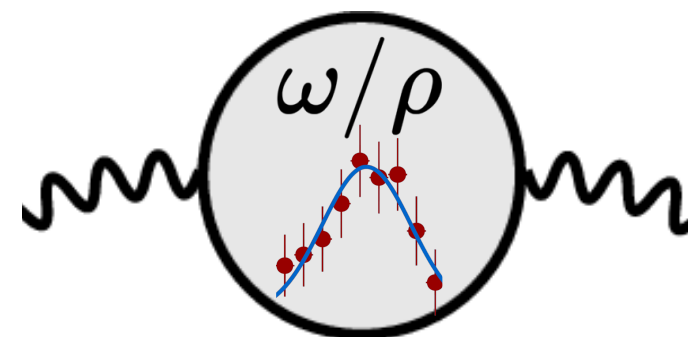
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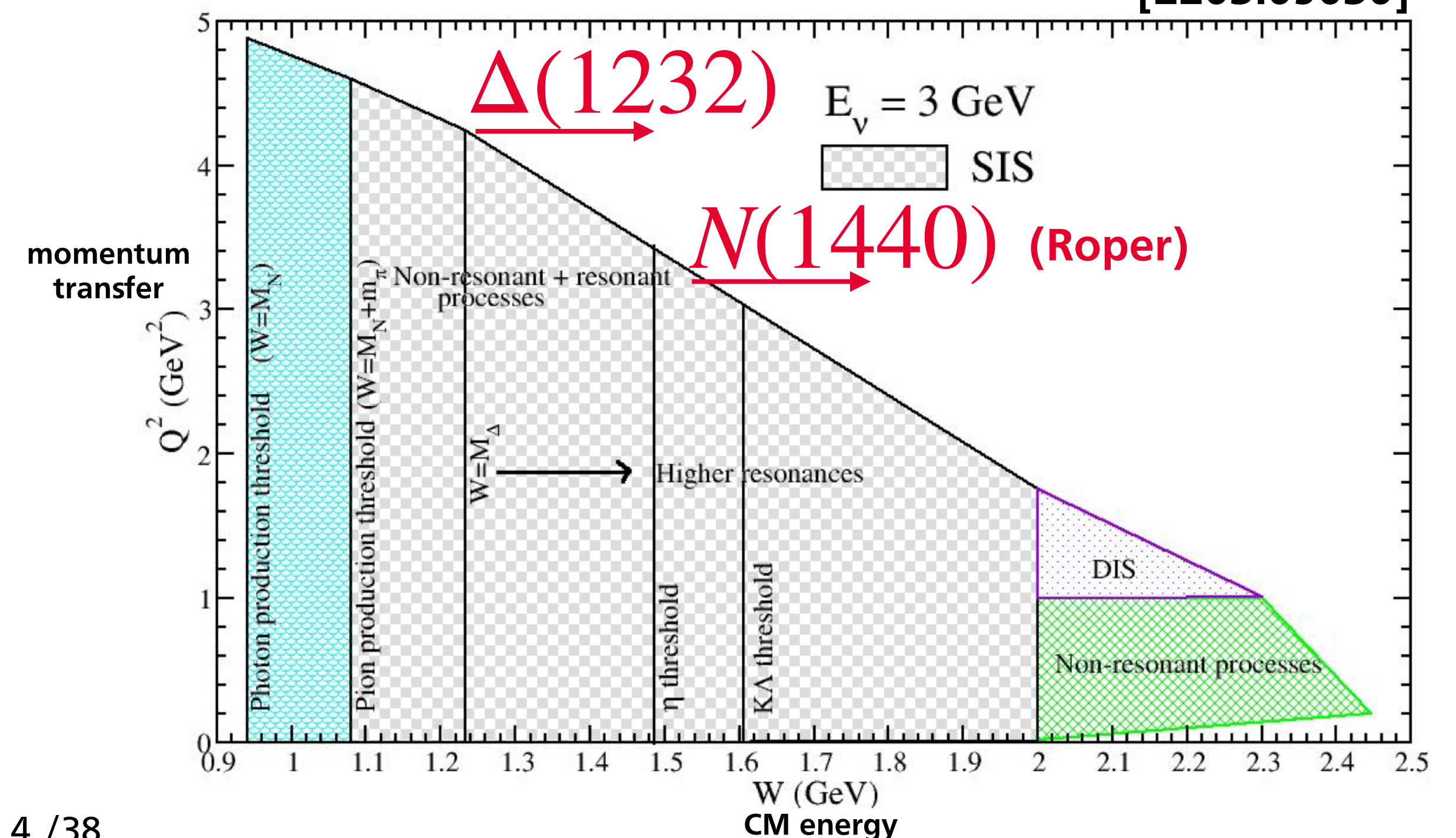
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► Neutrino-nucleus scattering (DUNE, Hyper-K)

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[2203.09030]



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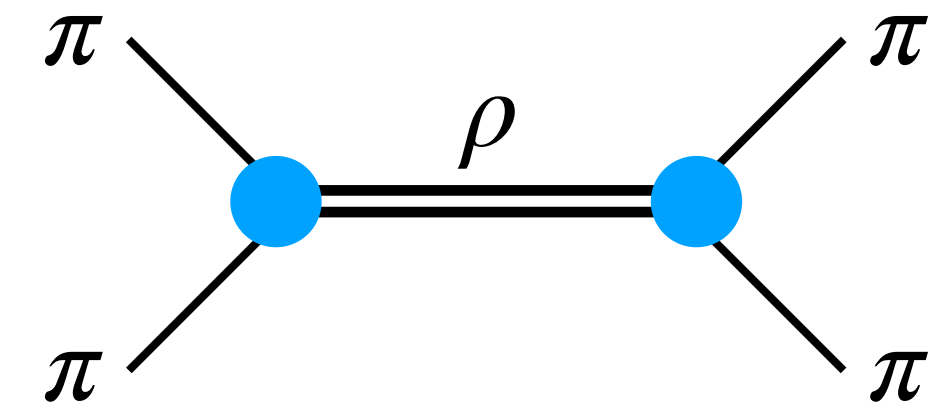
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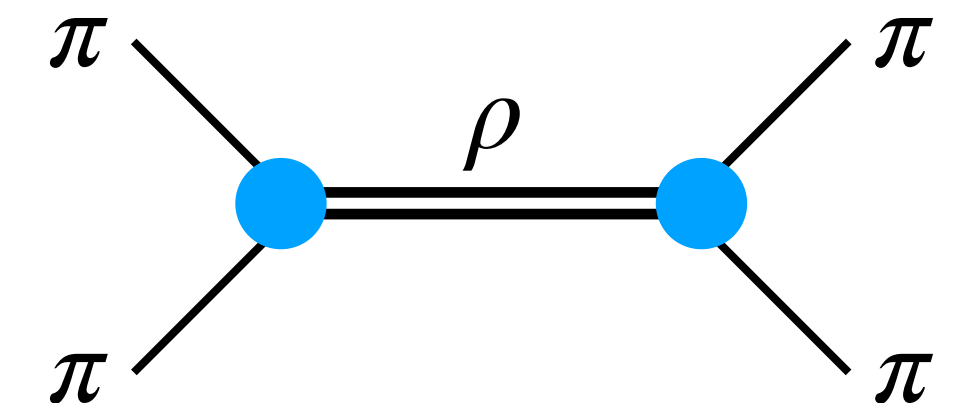
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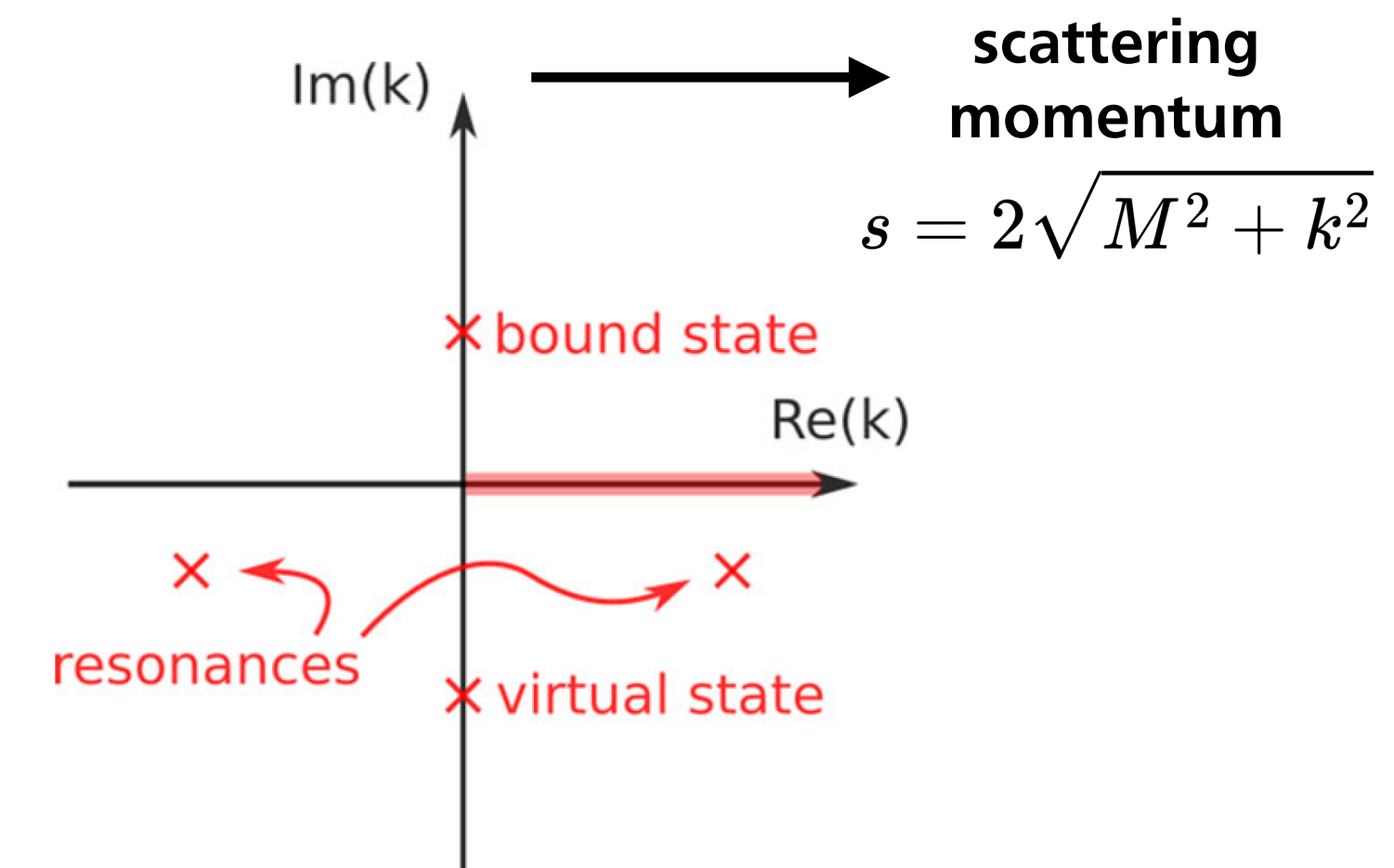
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○ Based on the location of the poles, they receive different names

- ▶ Bound states: stable particles, e.g. the deuteron is an NN bound state
- ▶ Resonances: unstable hadrons, e.g. the rho resonance
- ▶ Virtual states: “non-normalizable QM states”, e.g. “dineutron”
[See talk by [Andre Walker-Loud](#)]

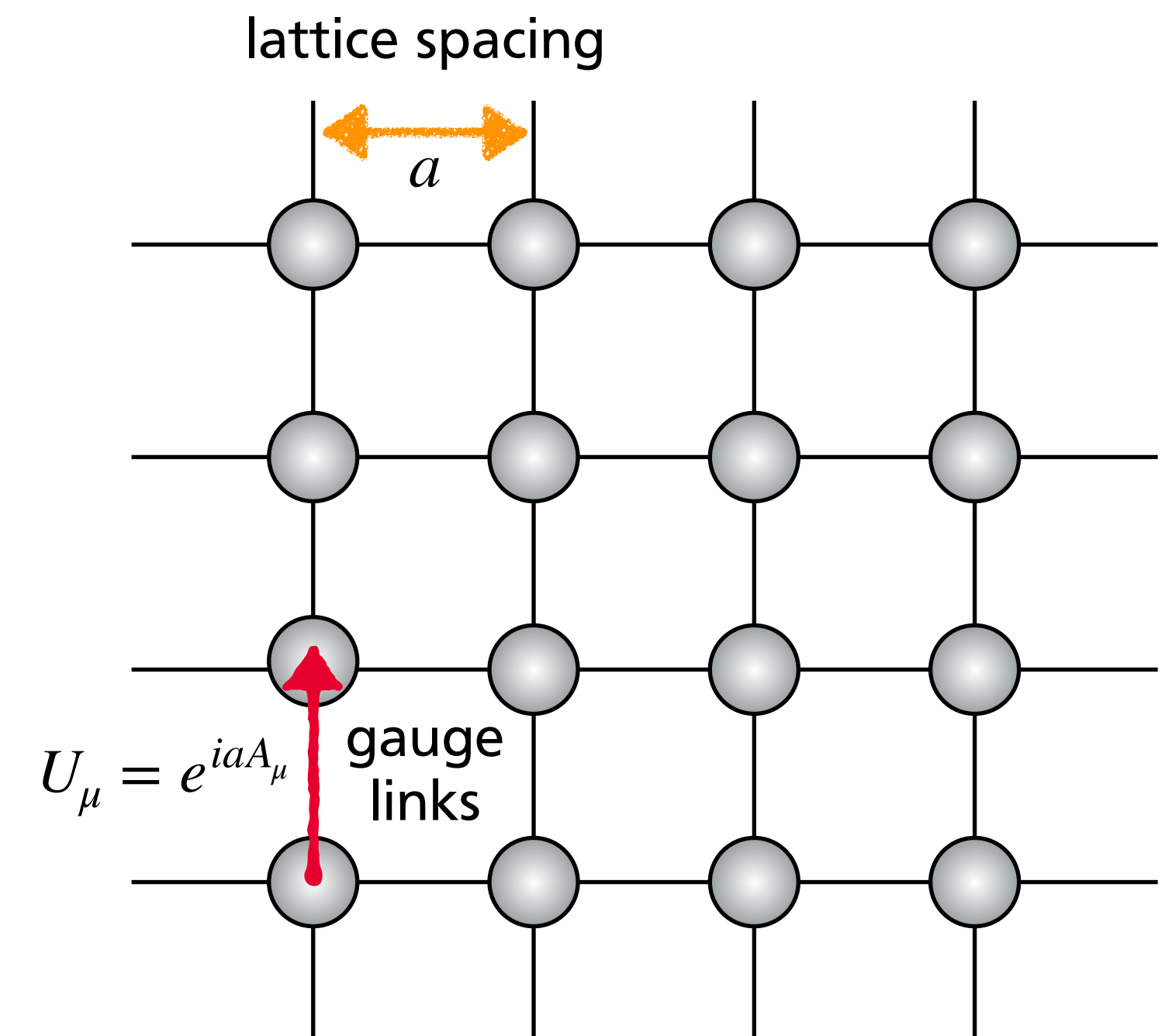


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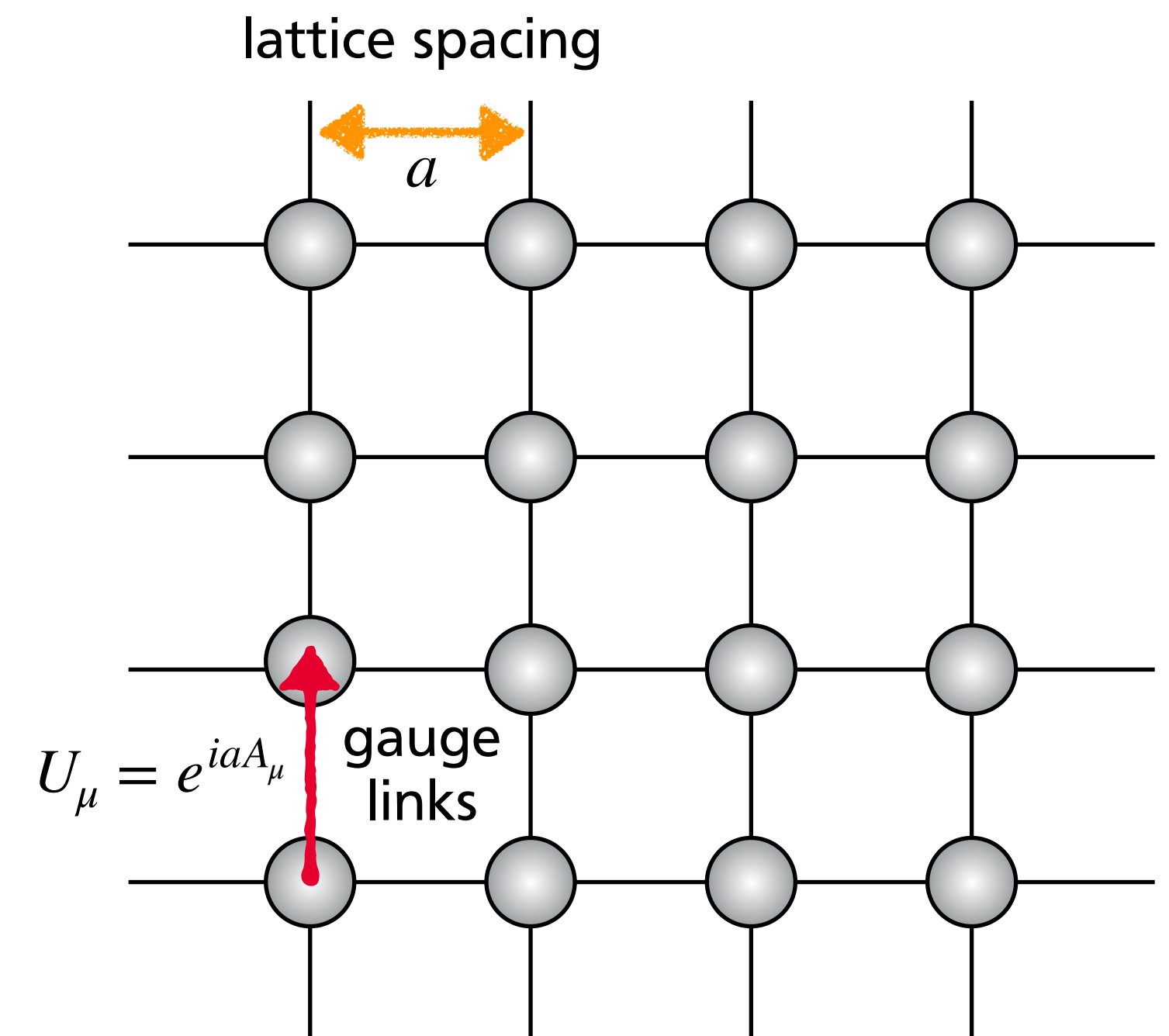
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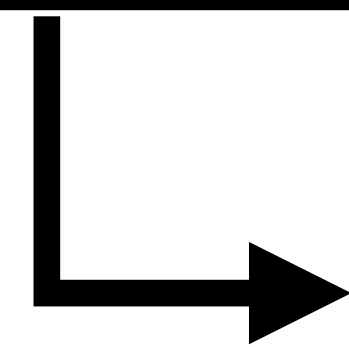
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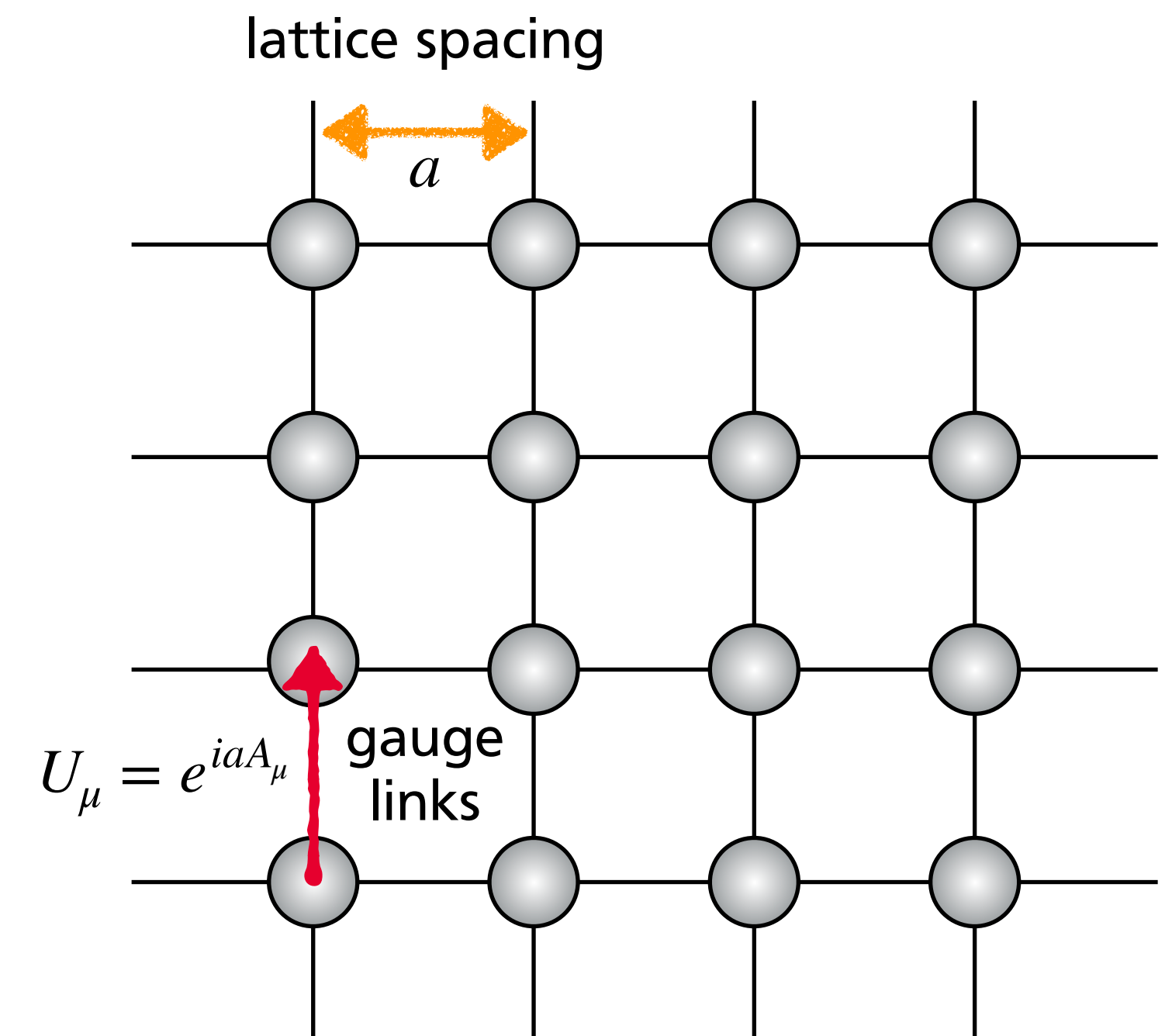
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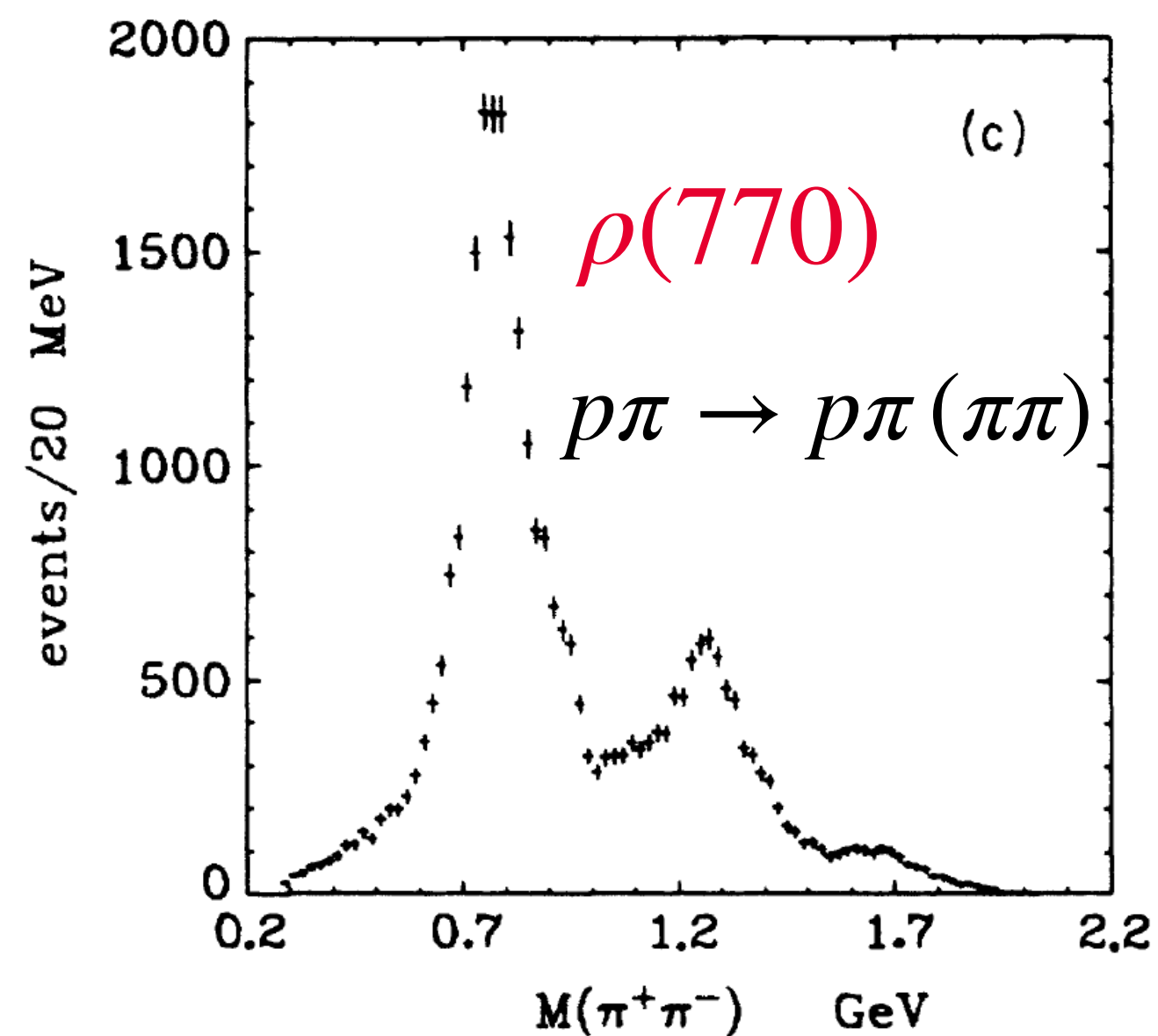
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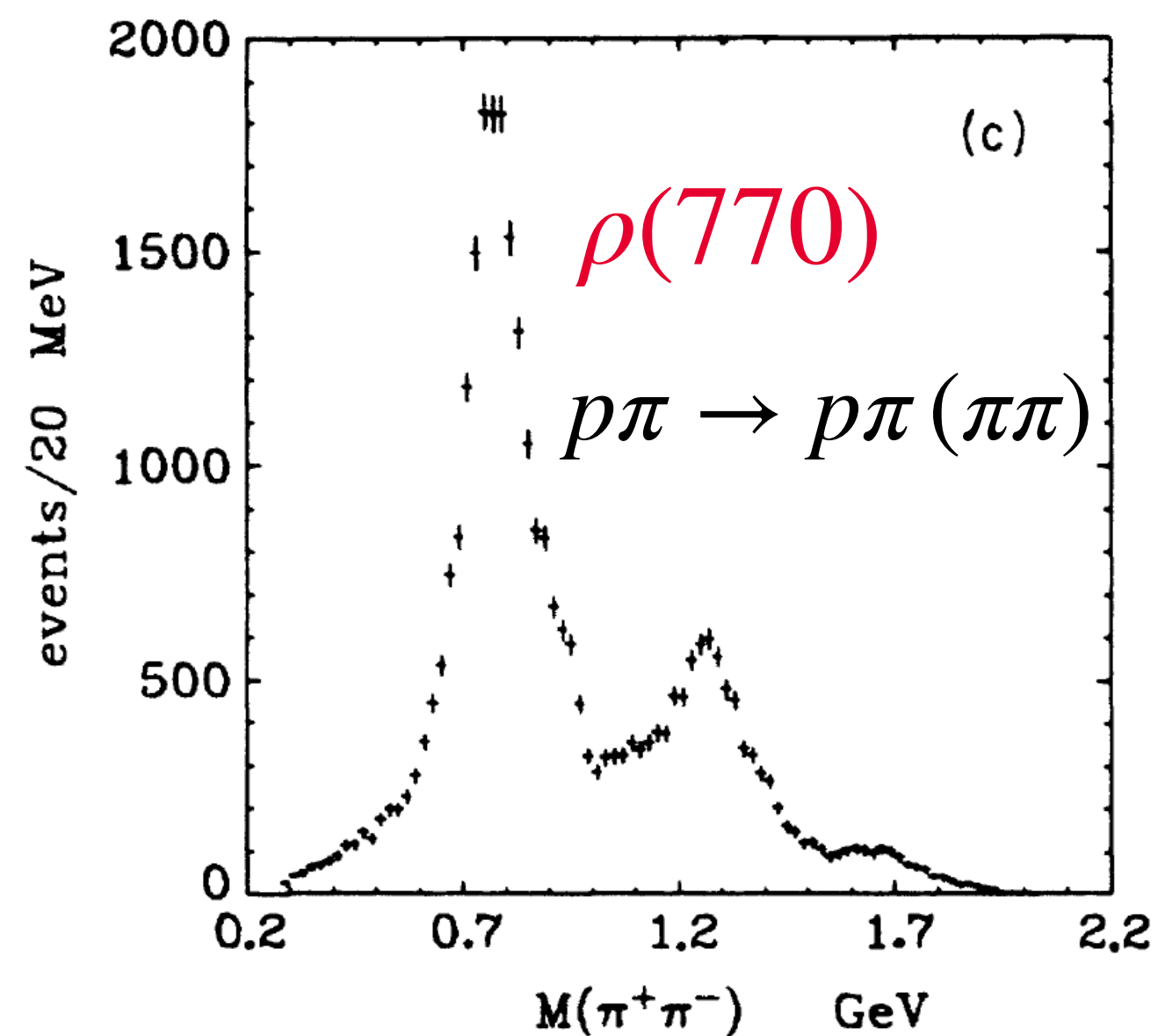


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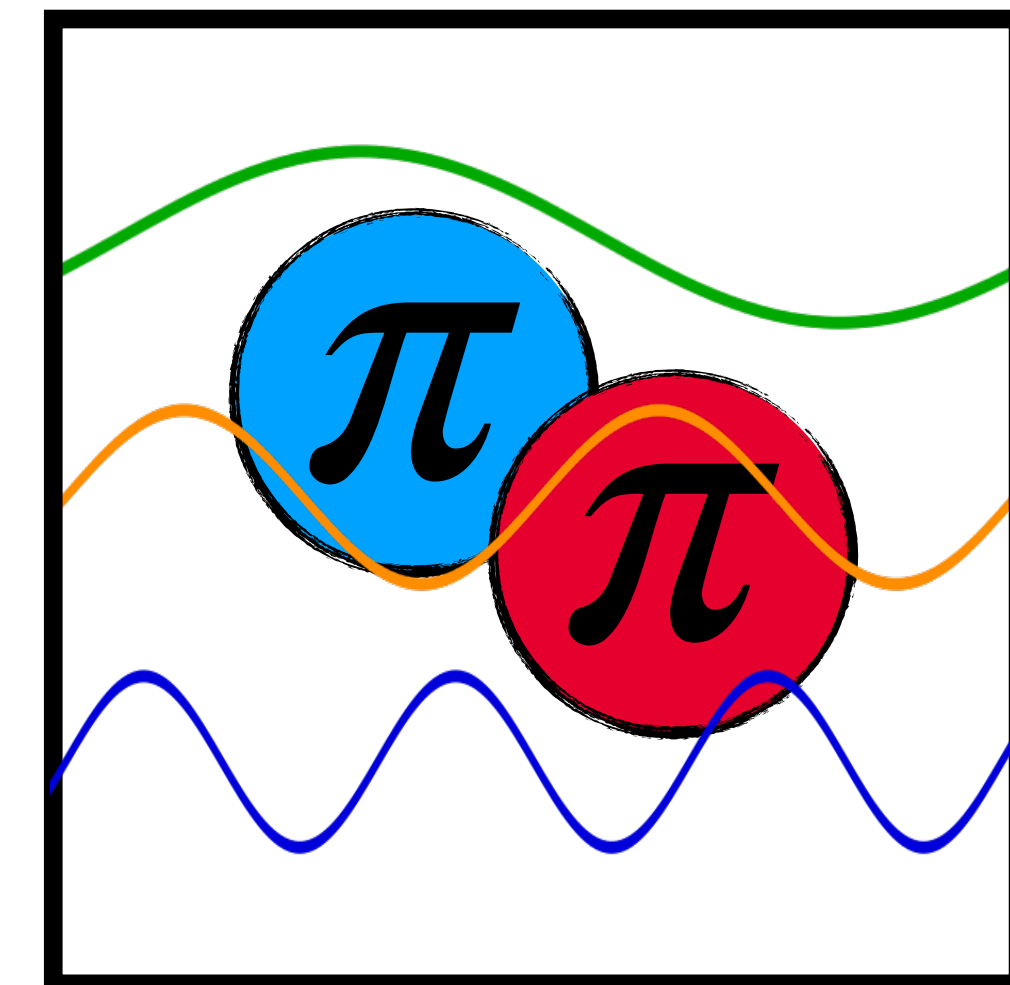
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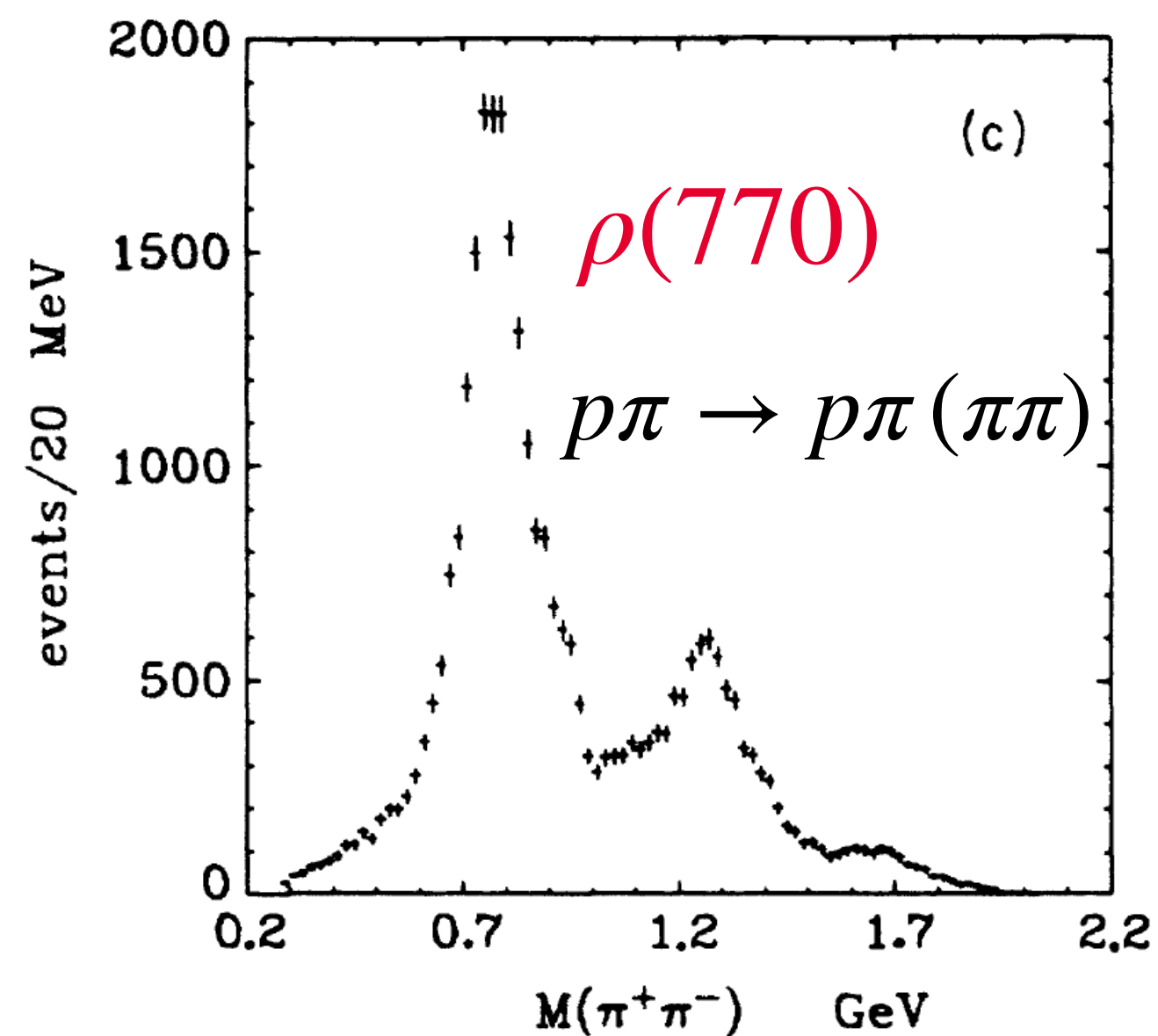
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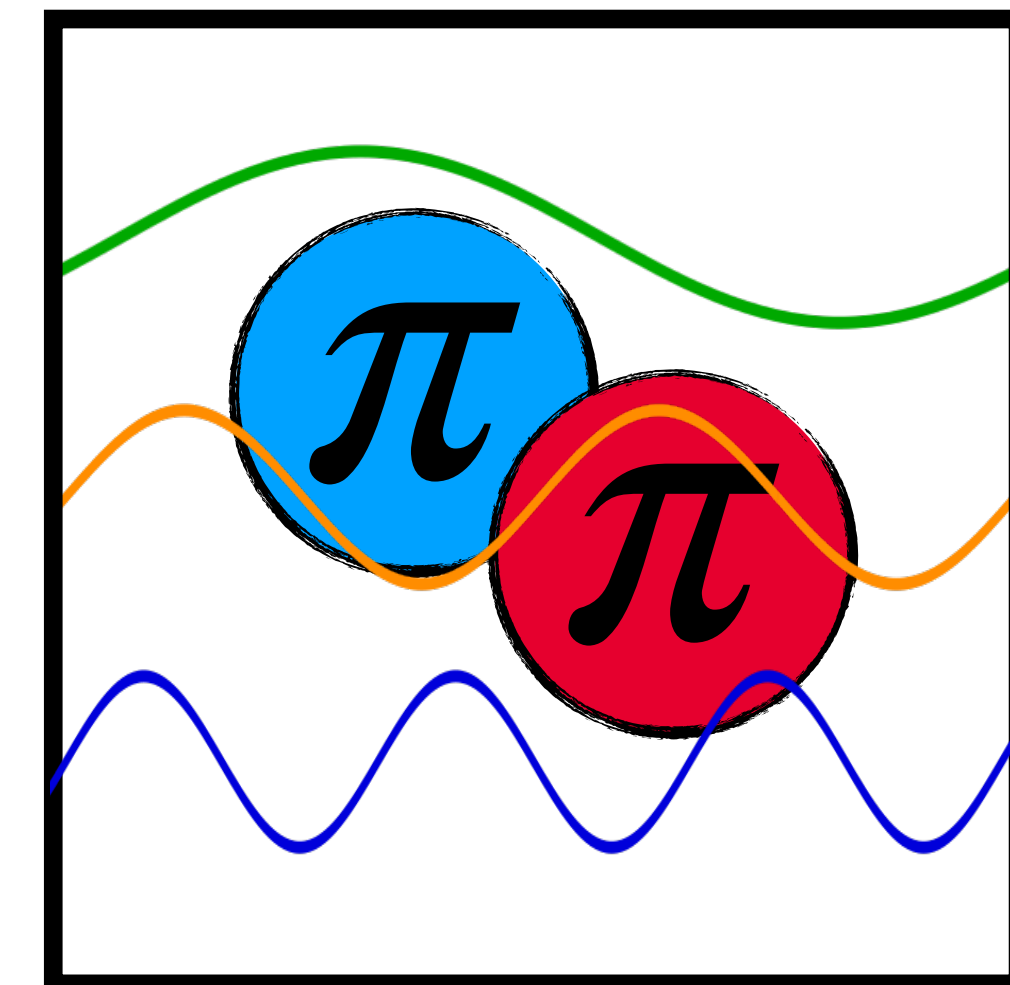
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[Lüscher, 89']

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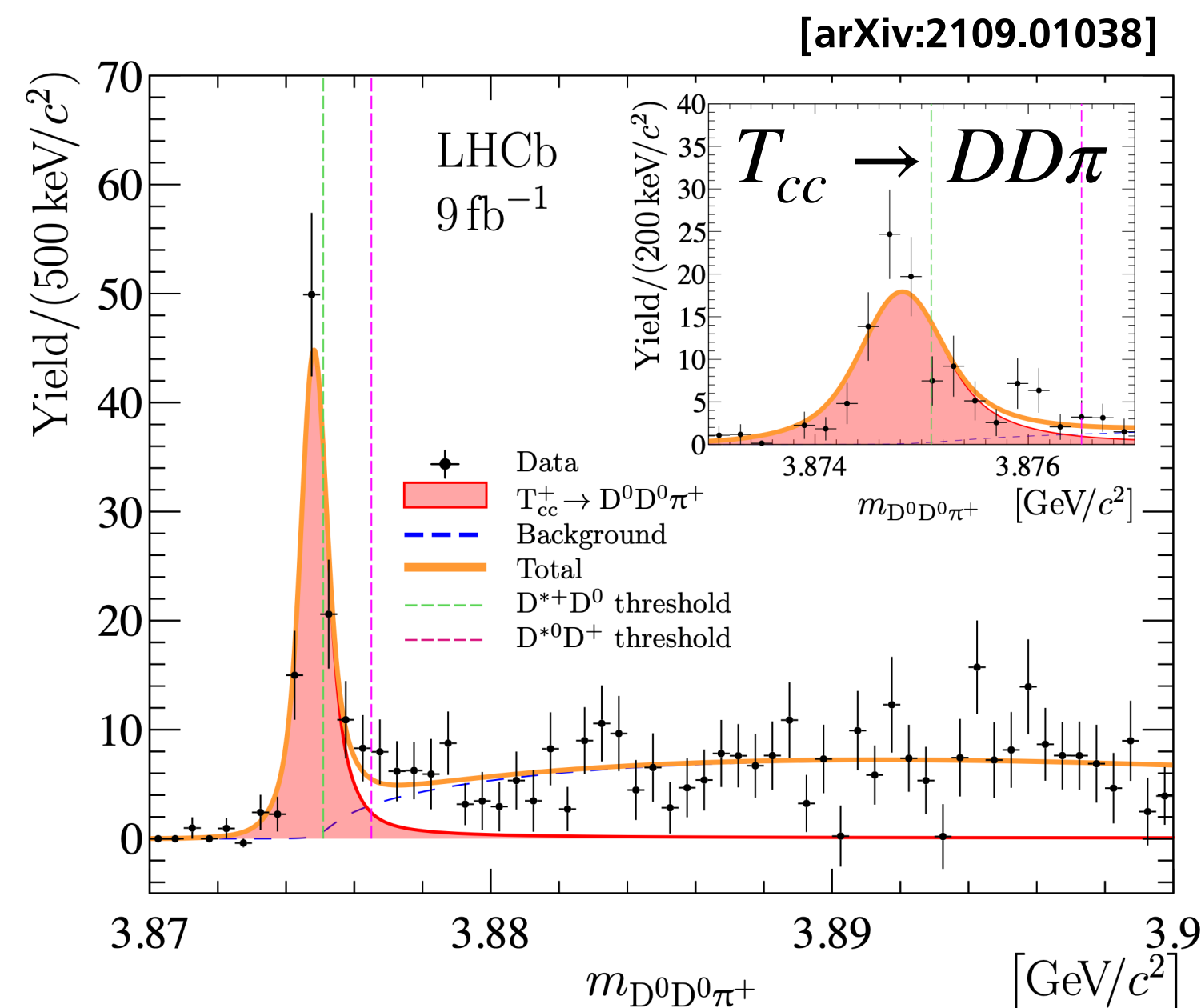
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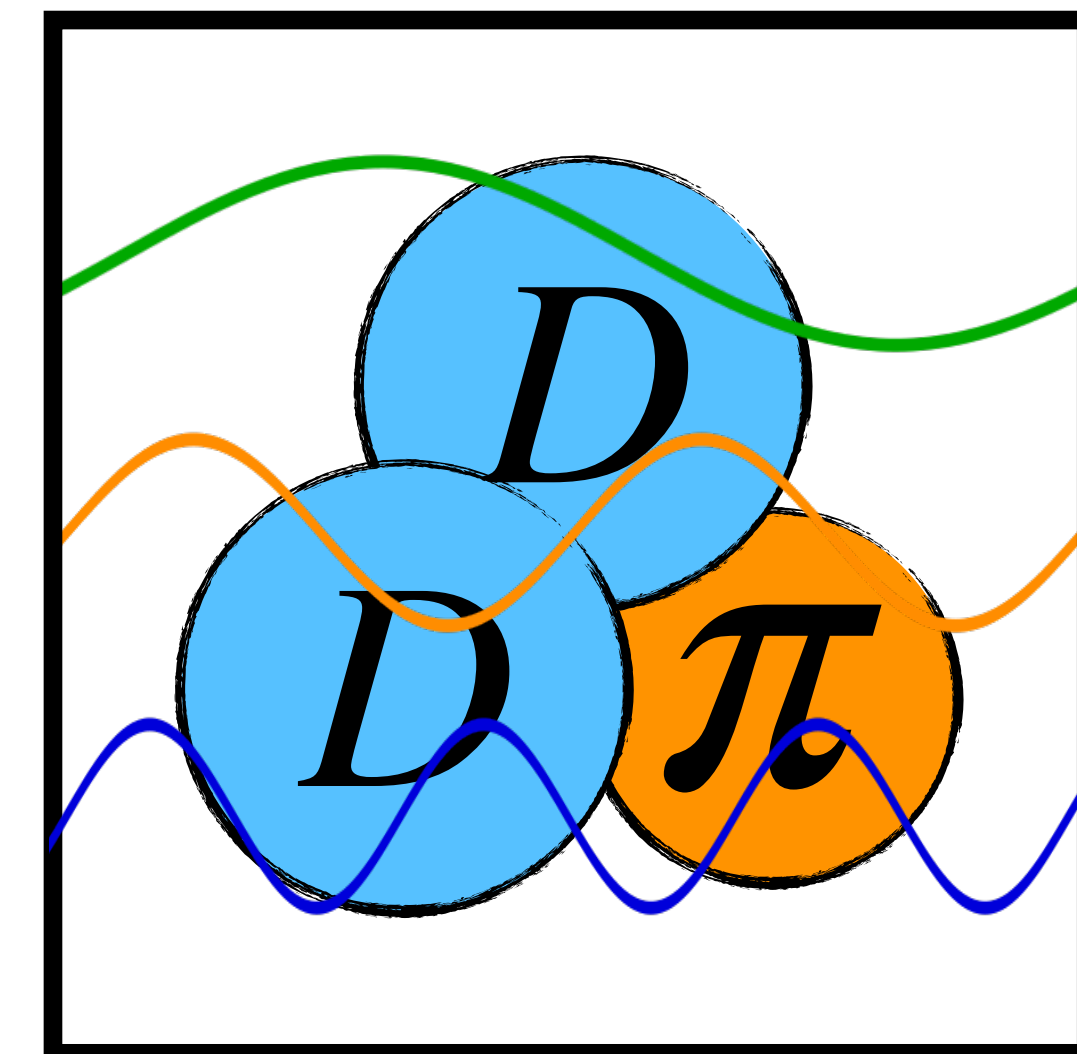
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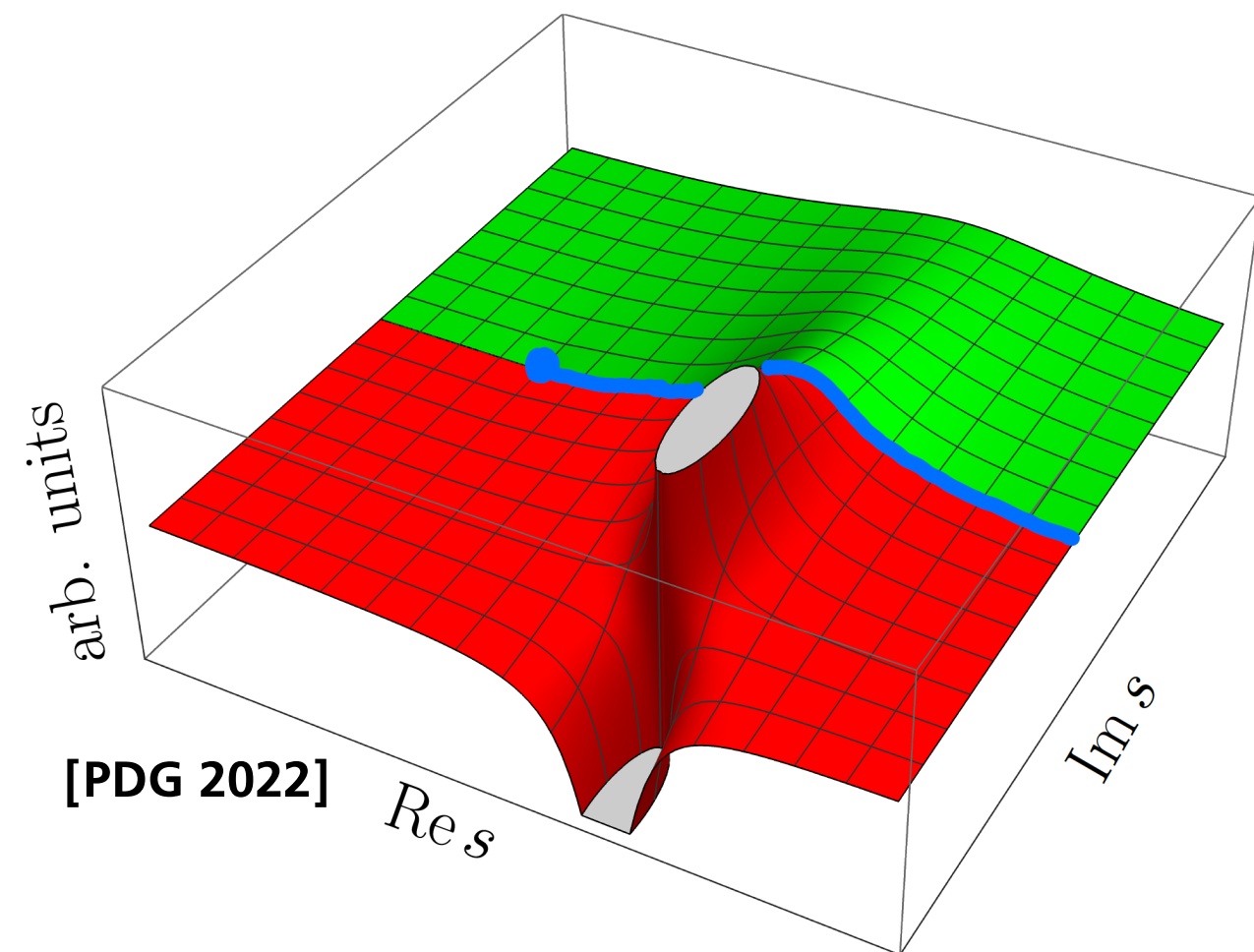
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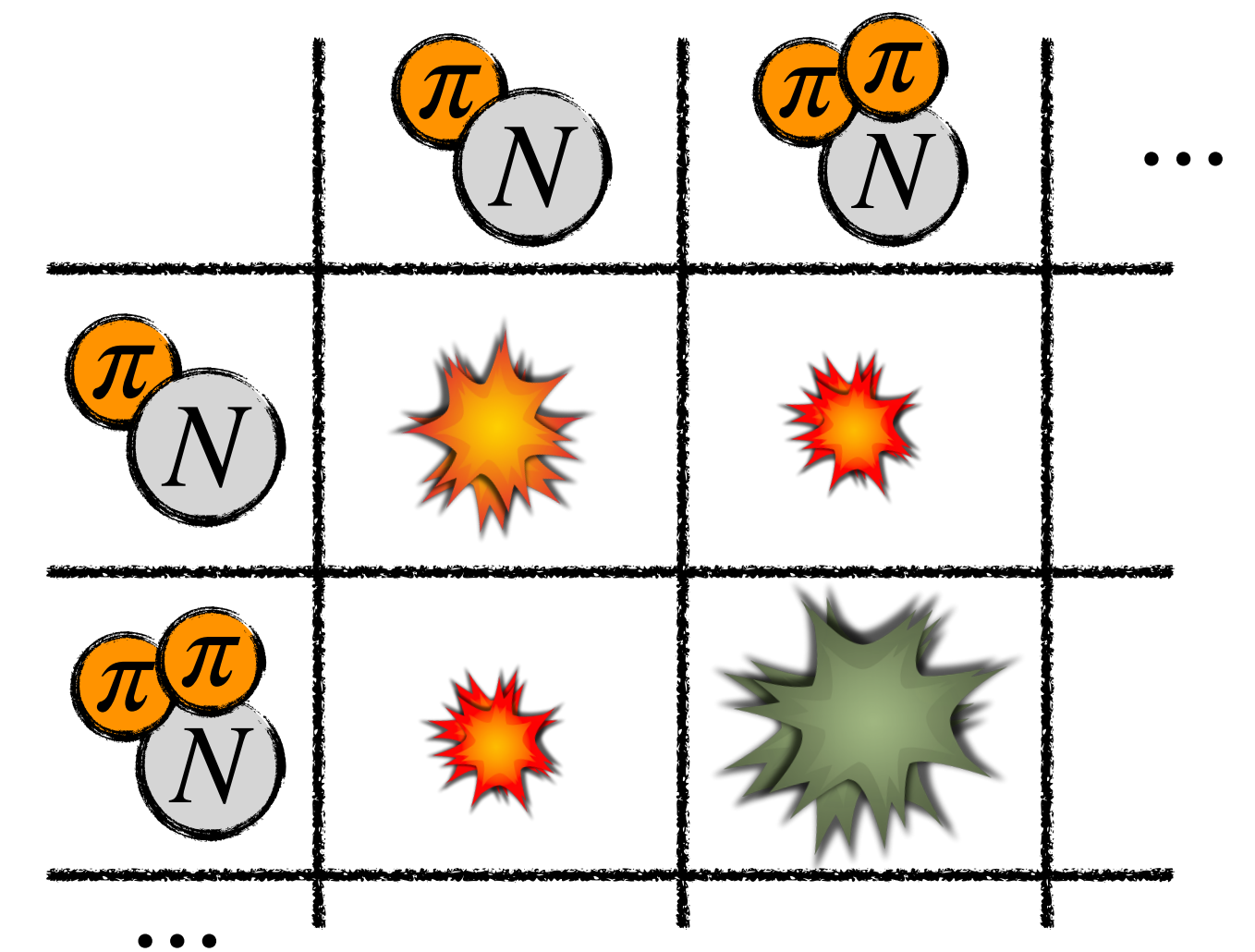
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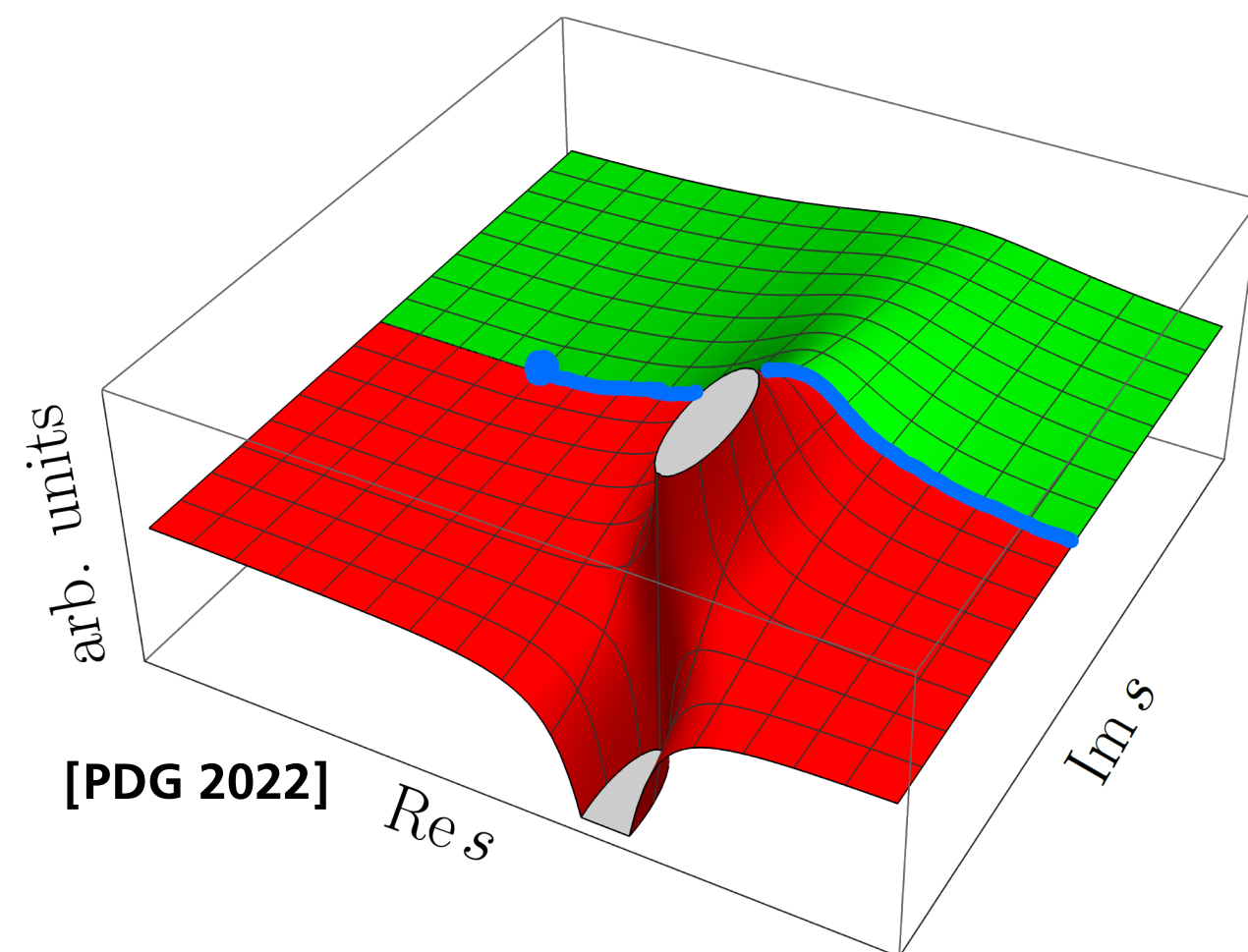
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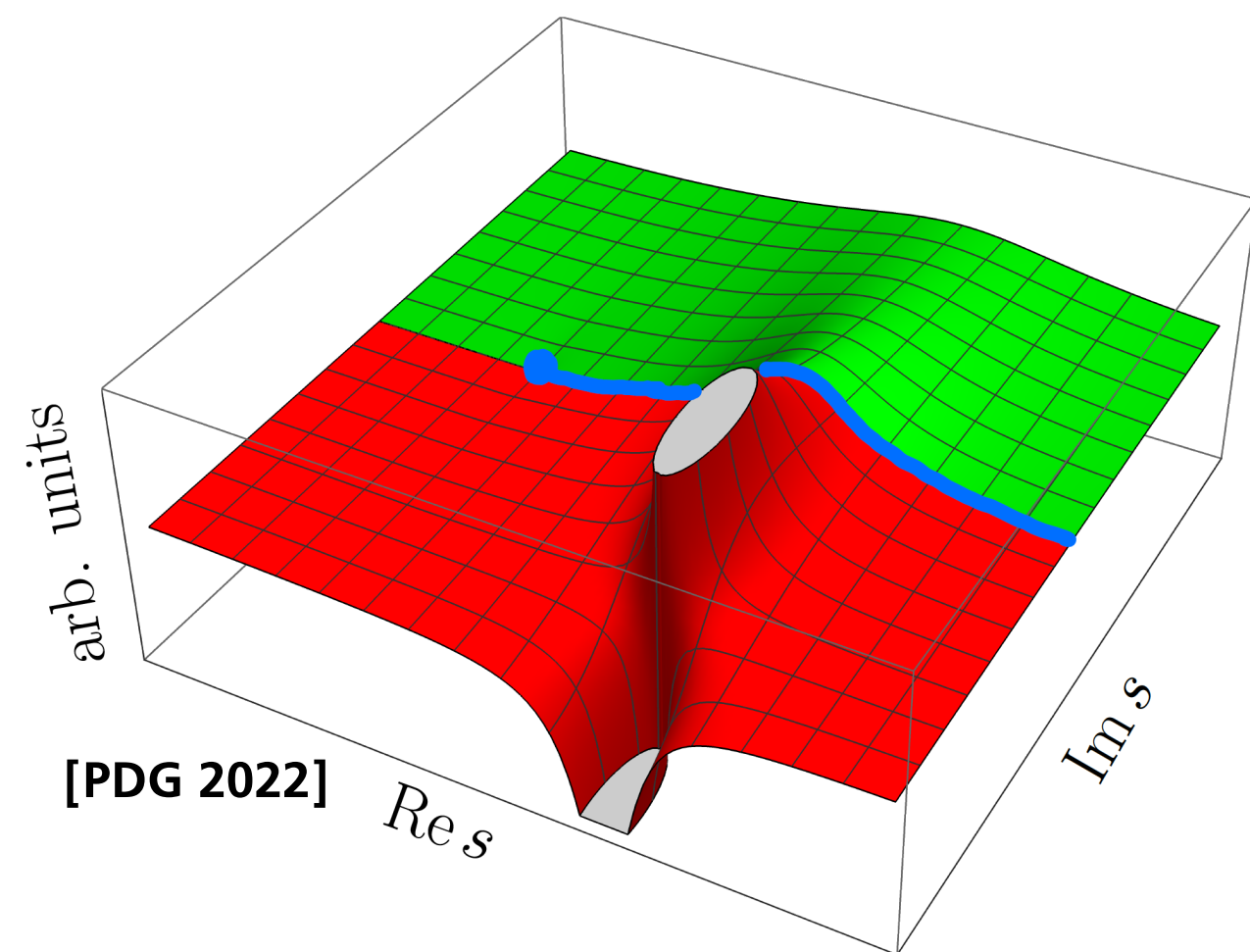
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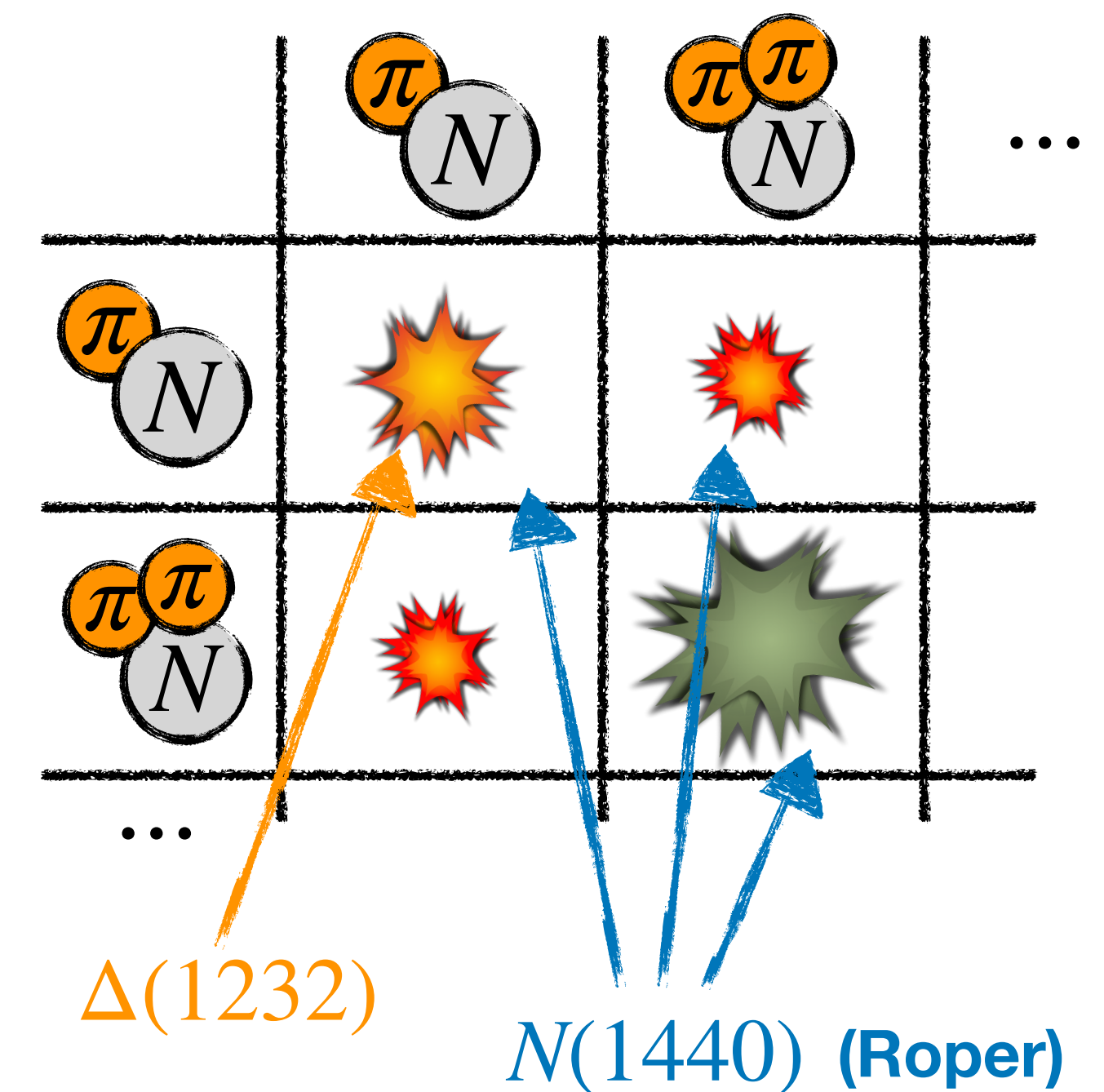
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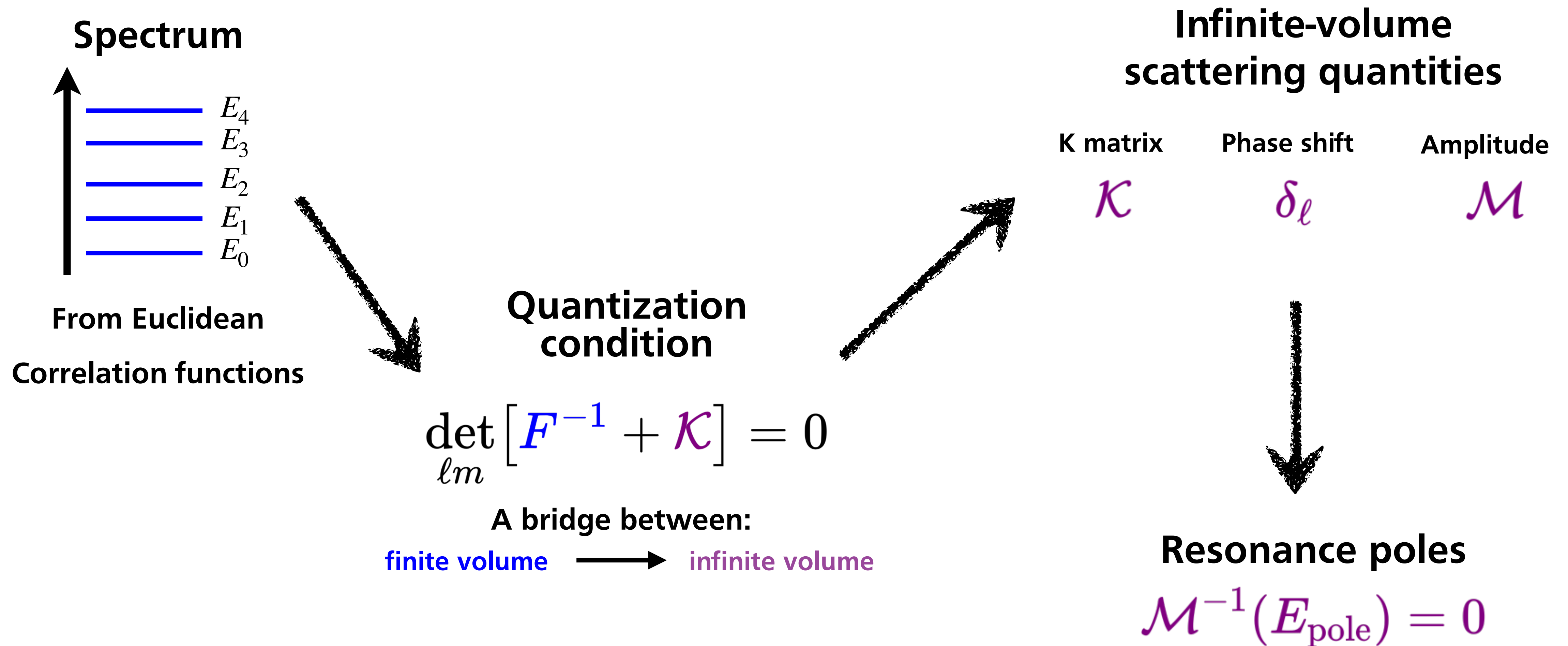


Outline

- 1) Scattering amplitudes from lattice QCD**
- 2) Applications to meson-baryon scattering**
- 3) The three-hadron frontier from lattice QCD**
- 4) Towards a three-body description of the T_{cc}**

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The general strategy



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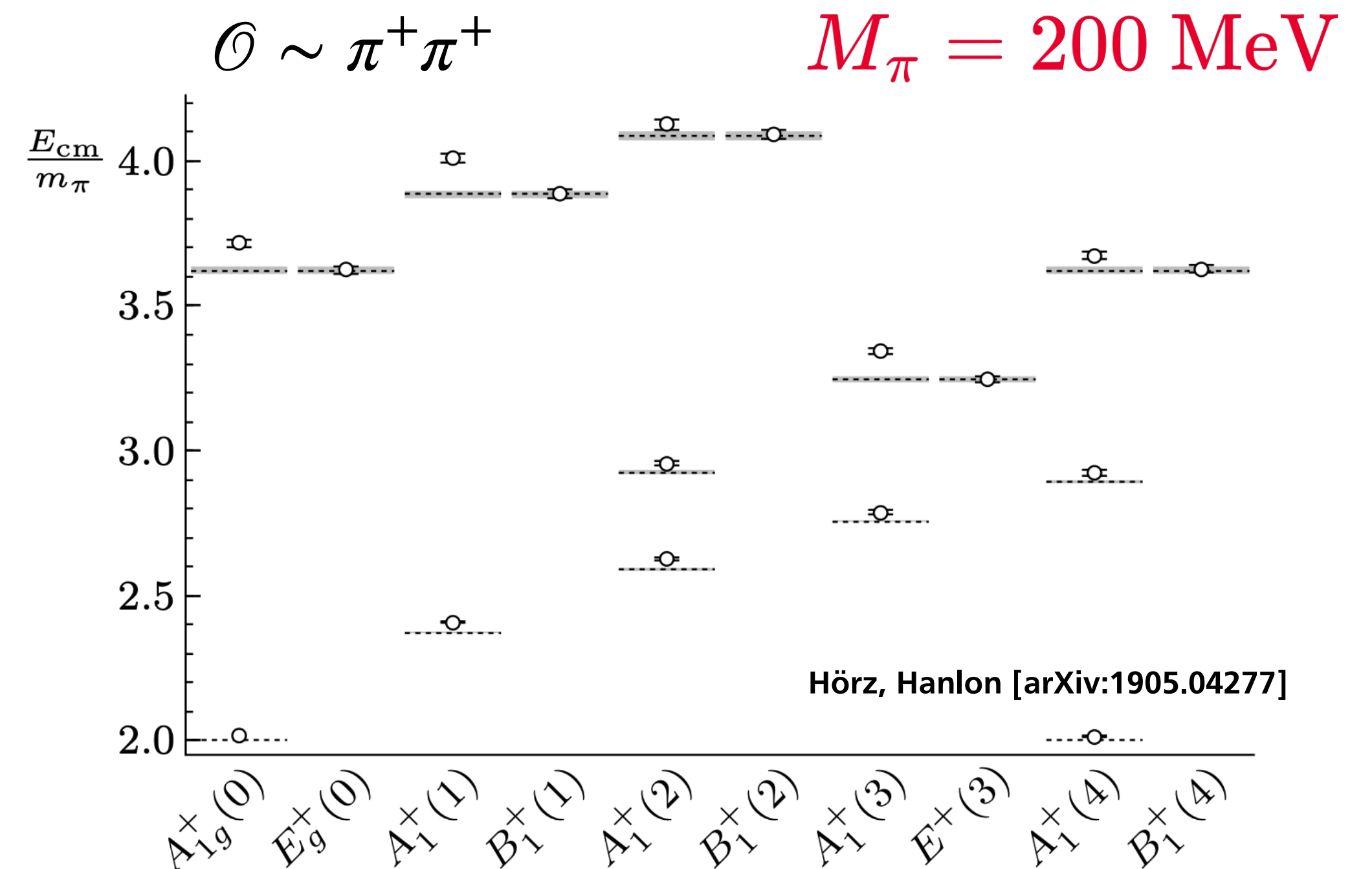
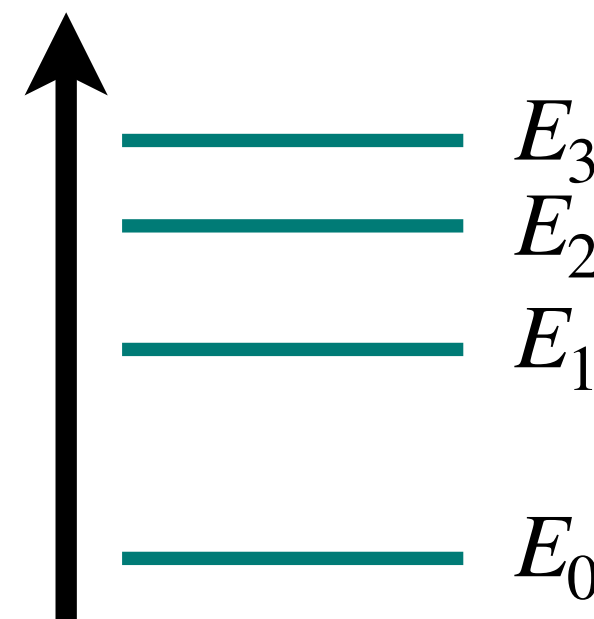
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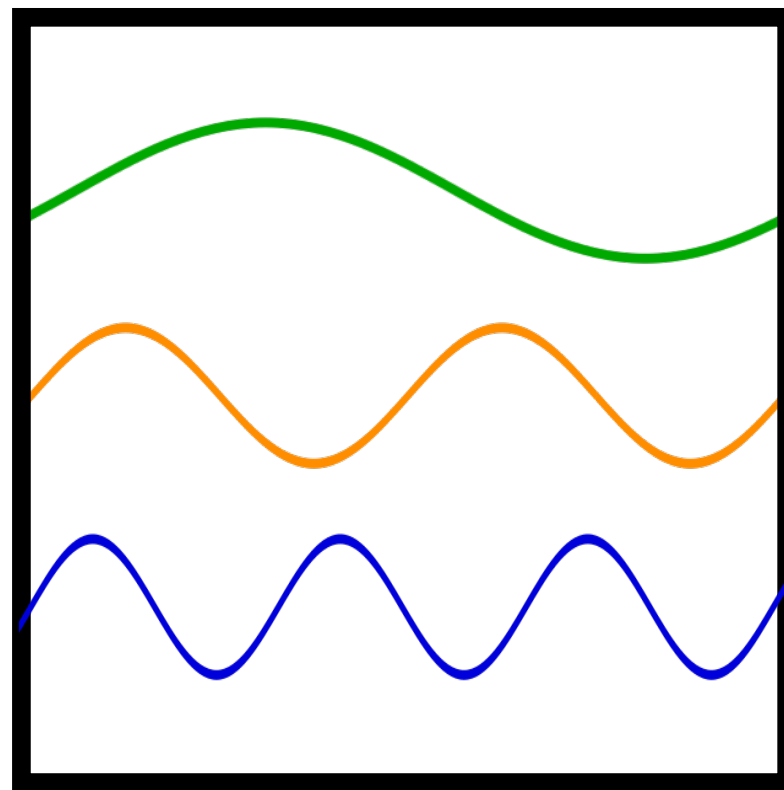
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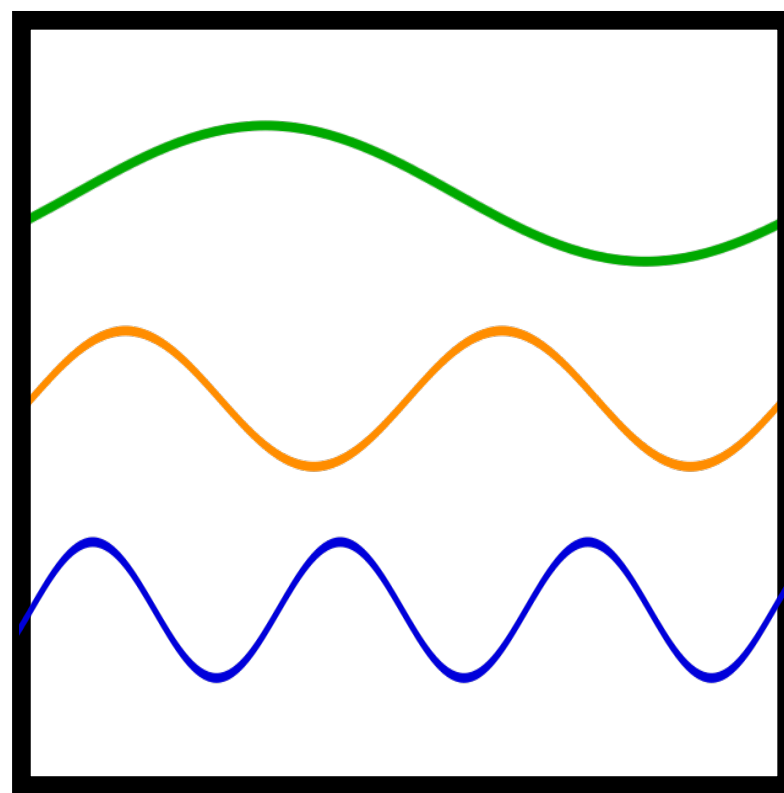


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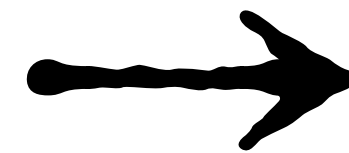
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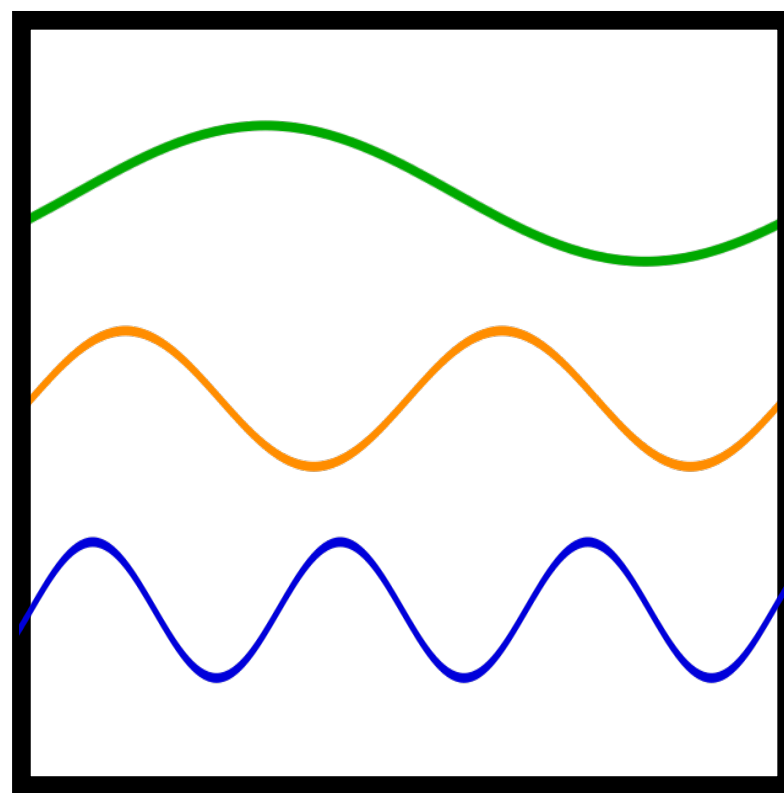
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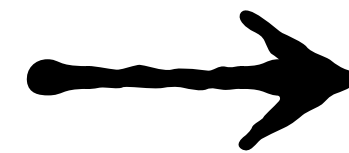
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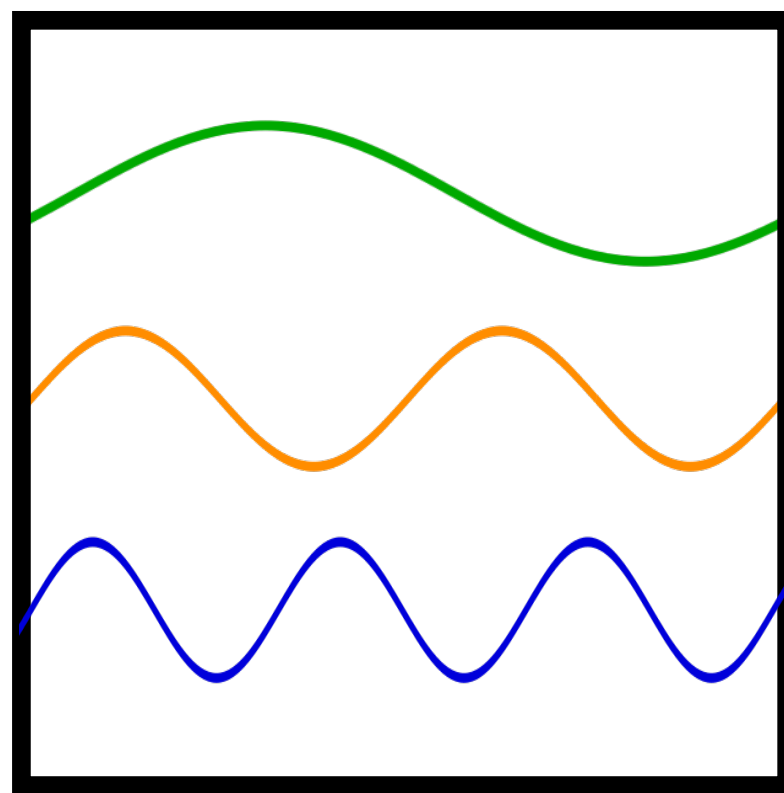
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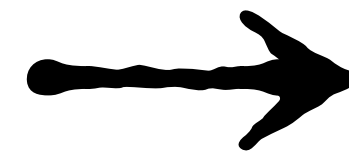
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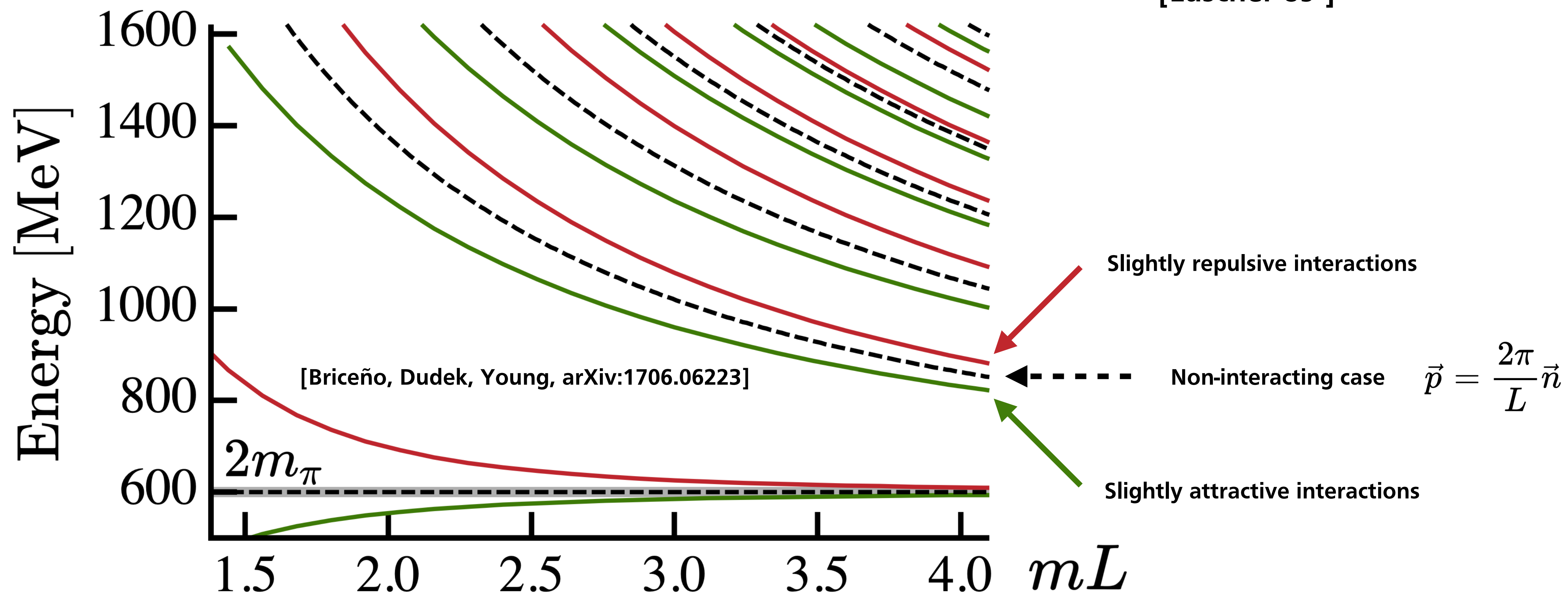
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Key insight

Volume dependence of finite-volume energy states contains scattering information

[Lüscher 89']



Finite-Volume formalism

- Indirect connection between the spectrum and the two-particle scattering amplitude [Lüscher 89']

K-matrix parametrized
in terms of phase shift

$$\mathcal{K}_2^\ell = \frac{16\pi\sqrt{s}}{q^{2\ell+1} \cot \delta_\ell}$$

Two-particle Quantization Condition

$$\det_{\ell m} \left[\underset{\text{Scattering K-Matrix}}{\mathcal{K}_2(E)} + \underset{\text{Known kinematic function}}{F^{-1}(E, \vec{P}, L)} \right]_{E=E_n} = 0$$

"QC2"

Finite-volume information

$$F_{00}(q^2) \sim \left[\frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\vec{k}} - \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \right] \frac{1}{k^2 - q^2}$$

! Note: only valid for two particles below inelastic thresholds.

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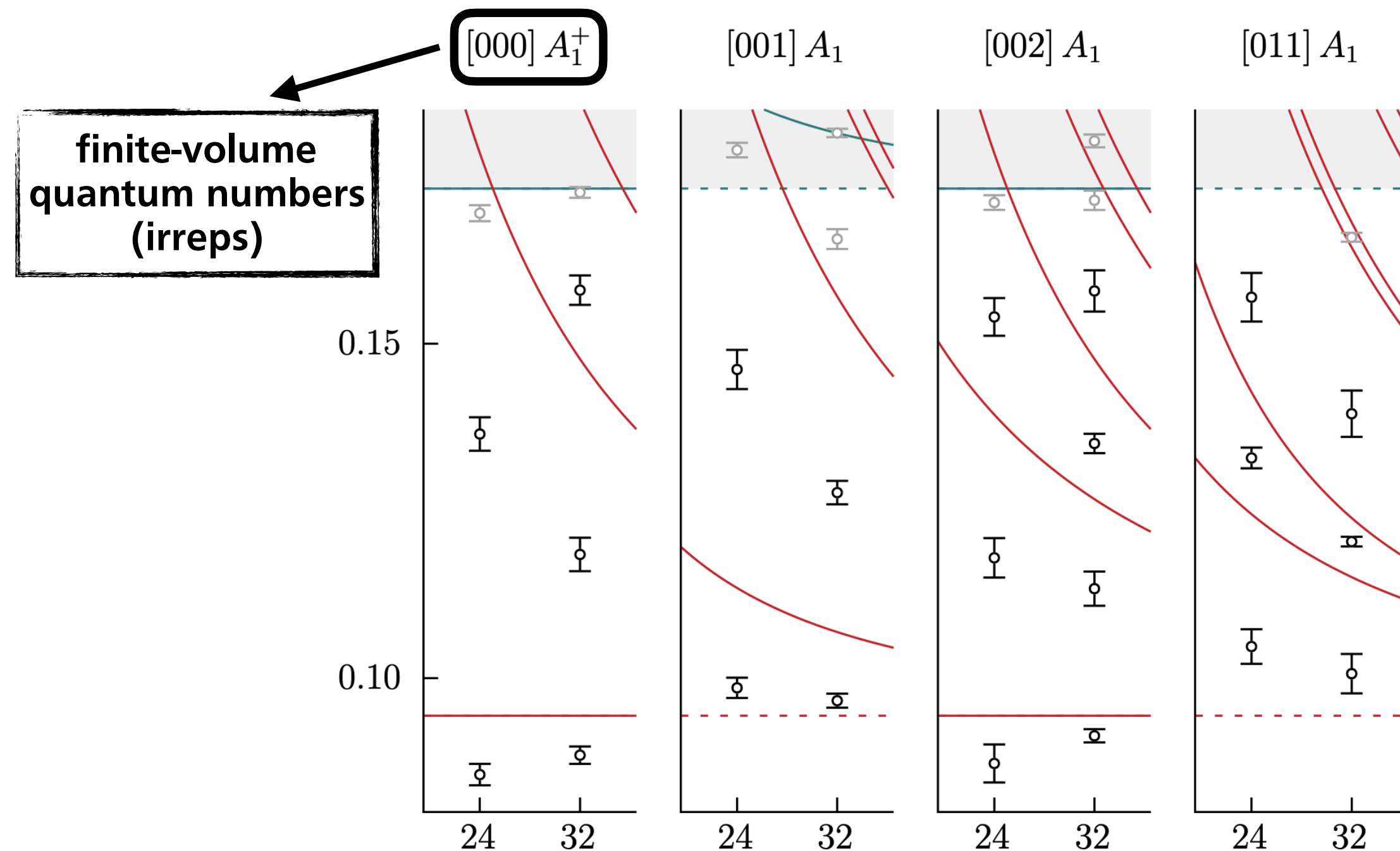
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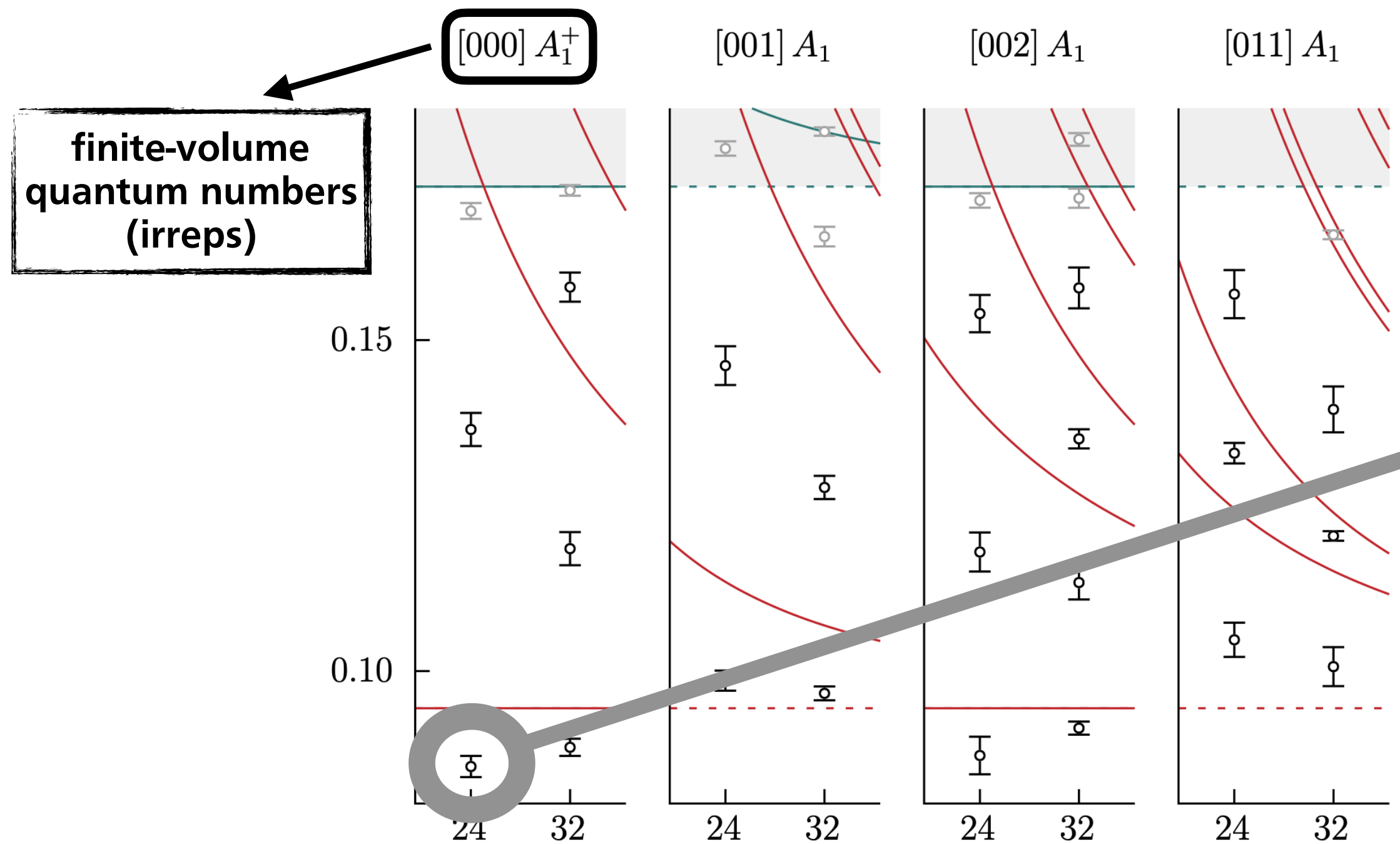
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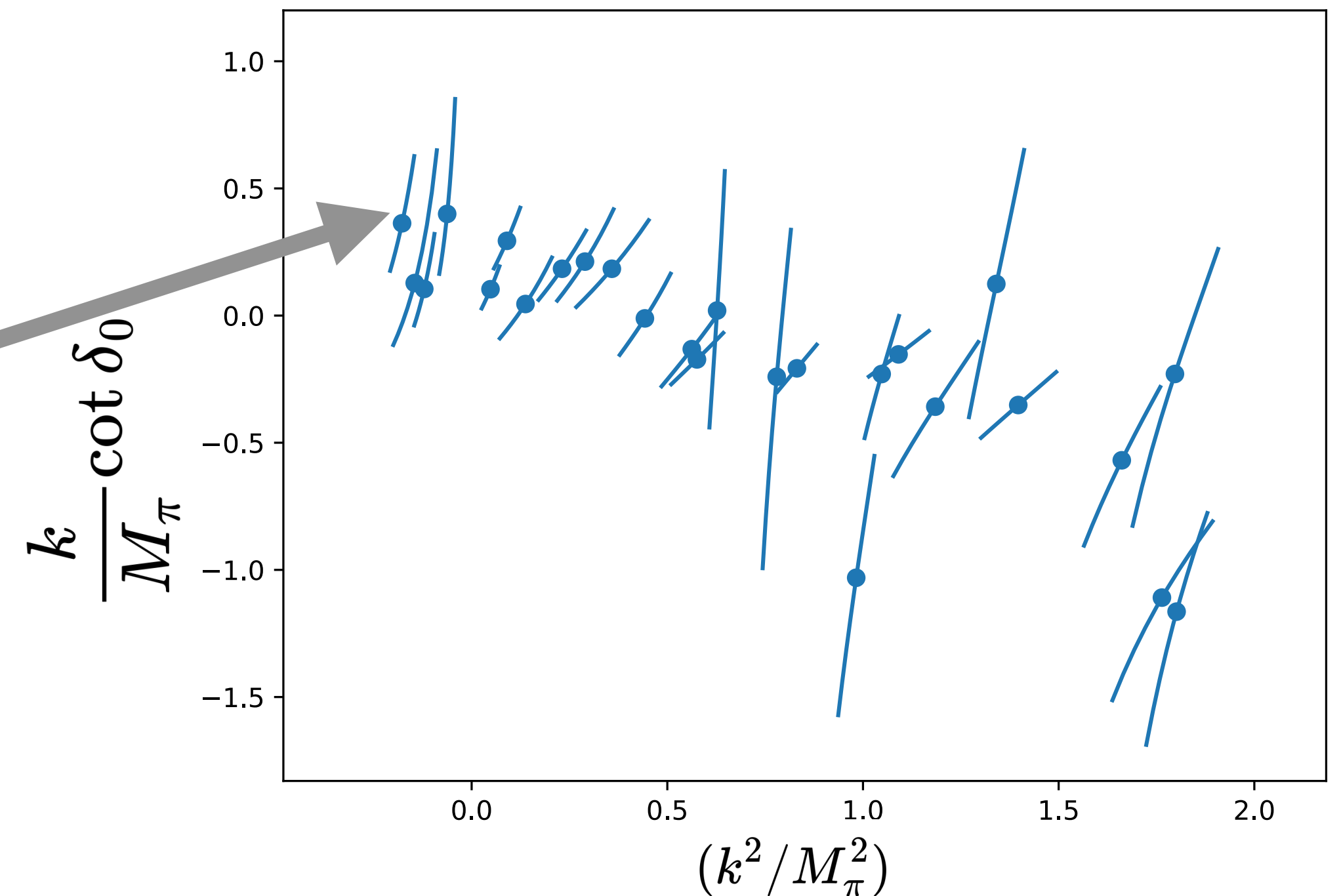
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Rodas et al. (HadSpec) [arXiv:2303.10701]



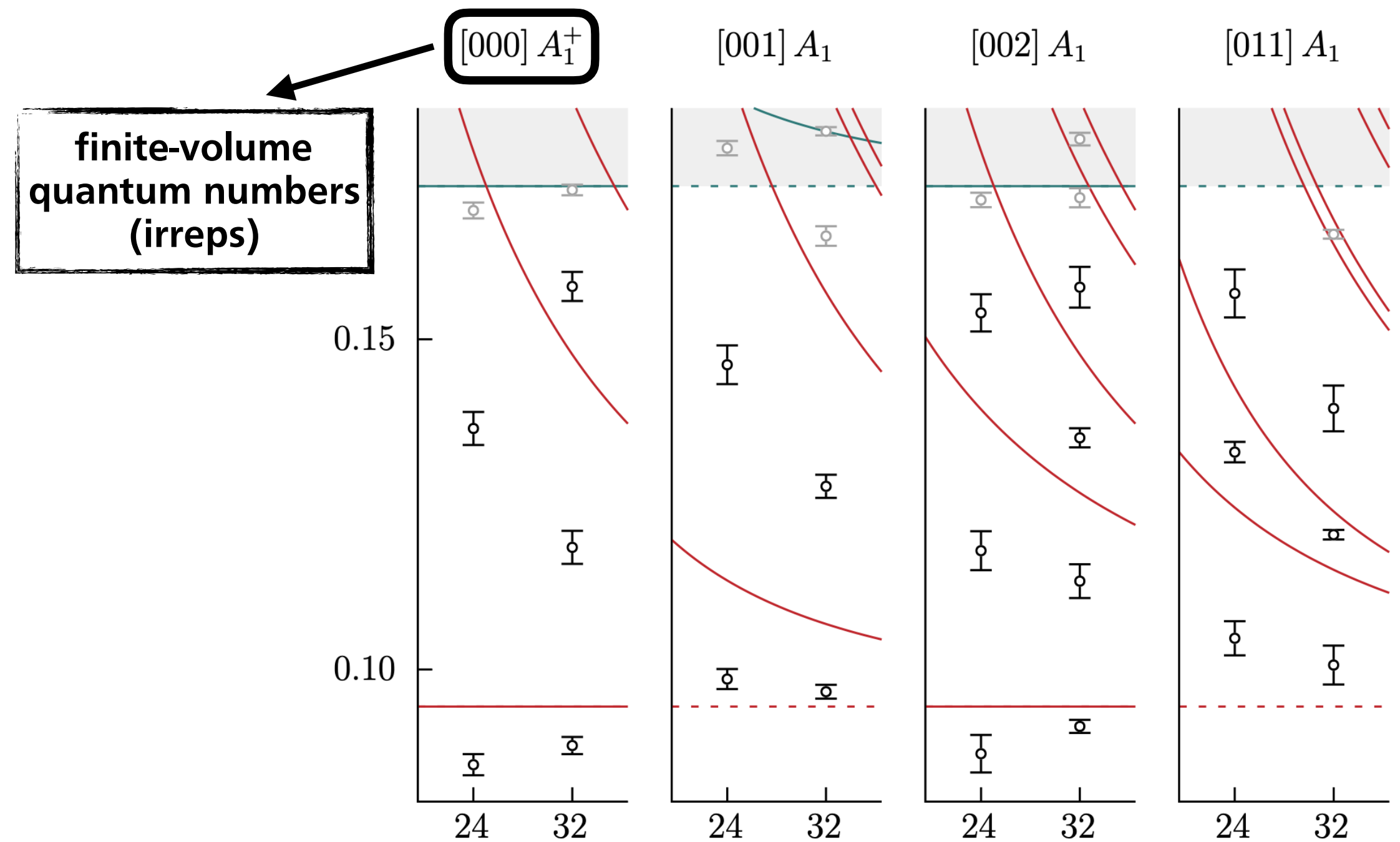
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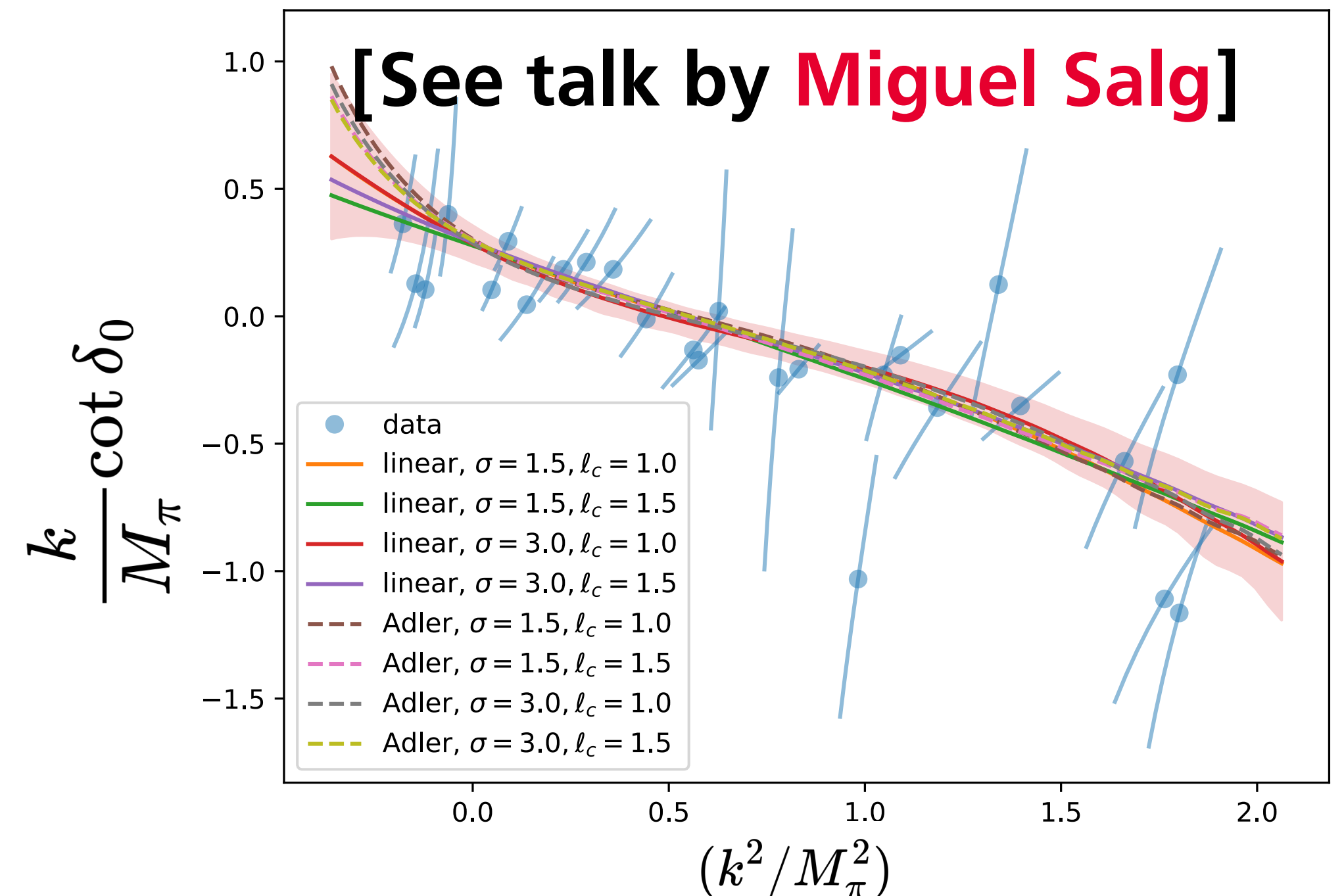
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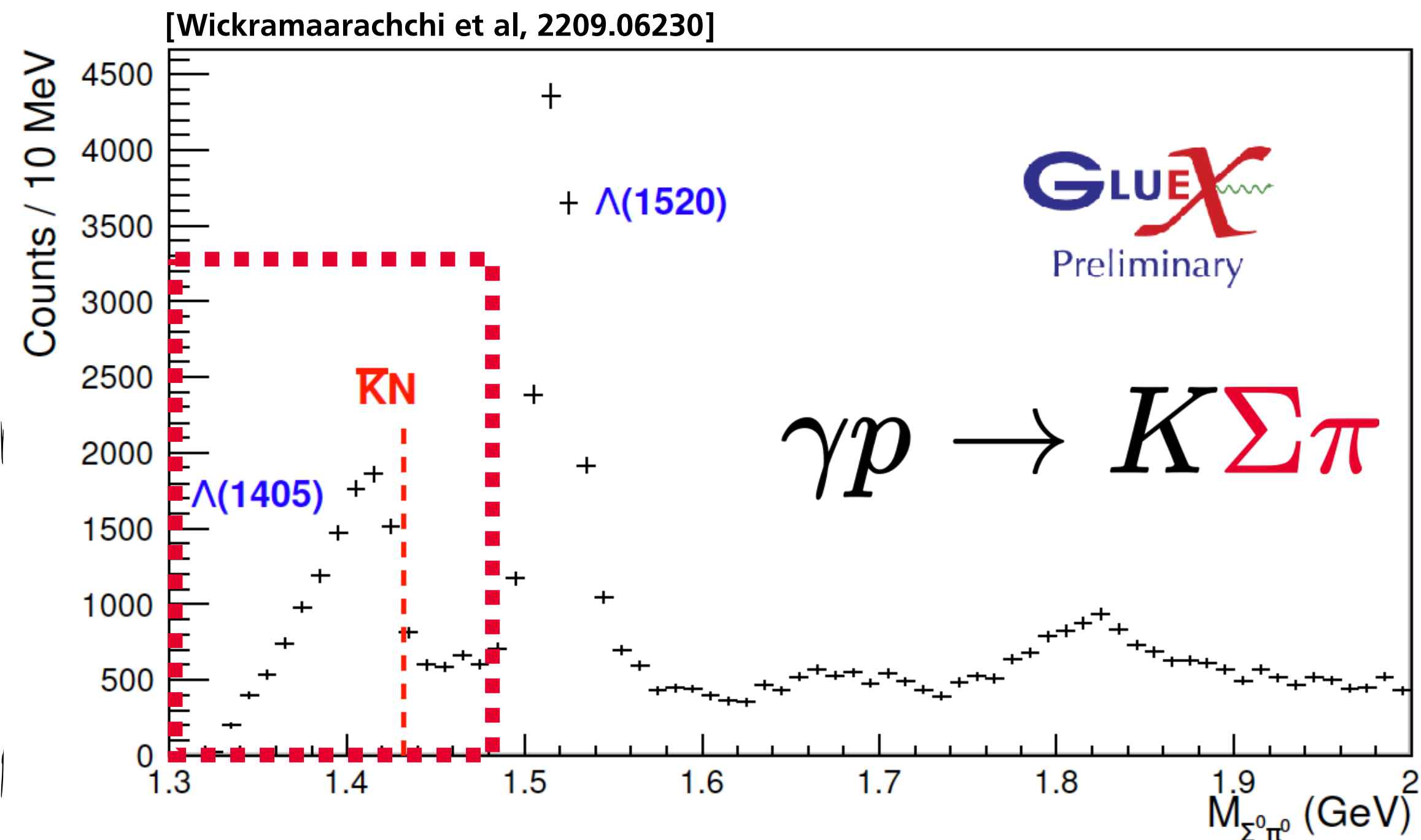
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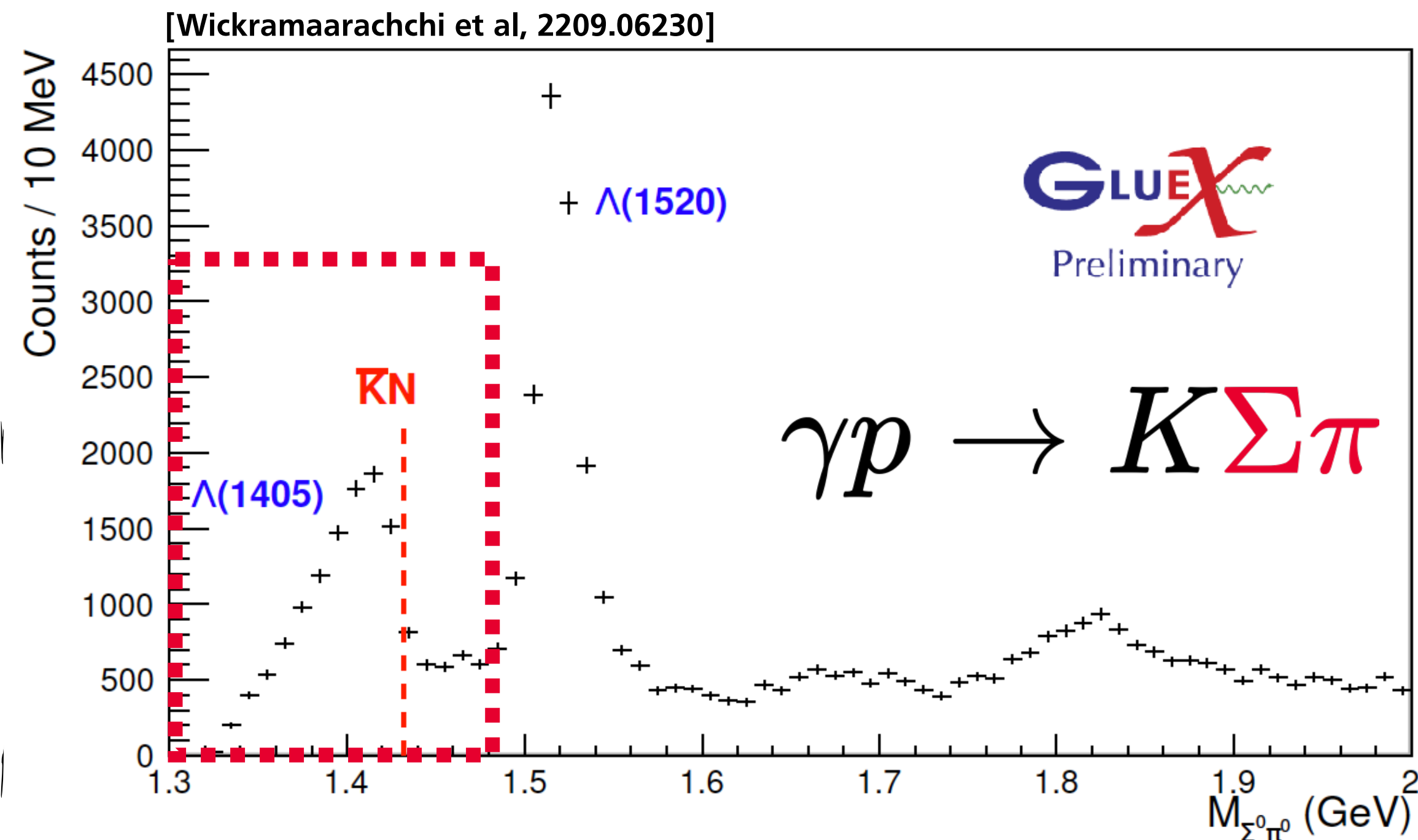


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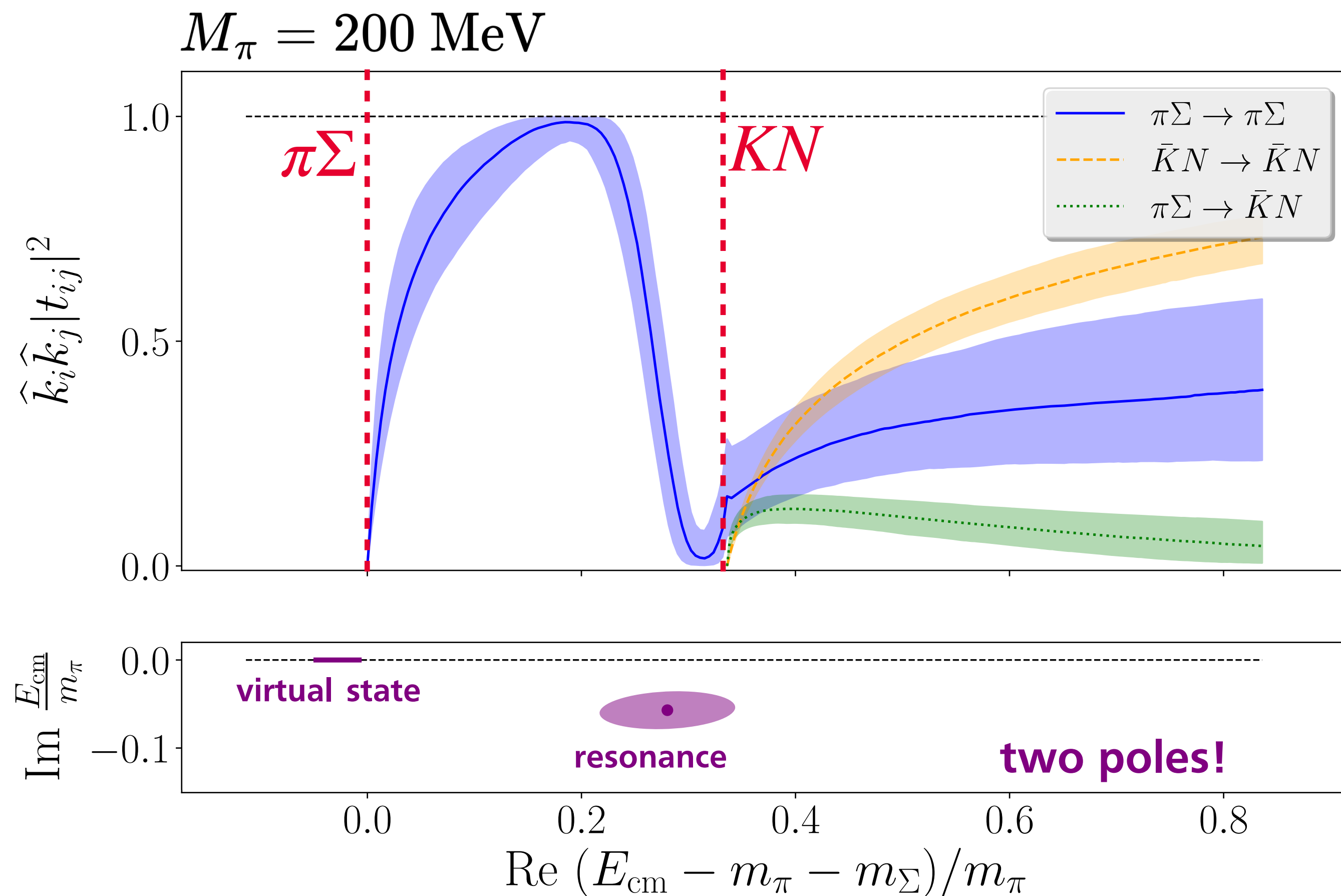
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► Scattering amplitudes for “preferred” fit
i.e. with lowest $\text{AIC} = \chi^2 - 2 \text{ dof}$

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Double-pole picture

Two poles with $(\text{sign Im } k_{\pi\Sigma}, \text{sign Im } k_{KN}) = (-, +)$

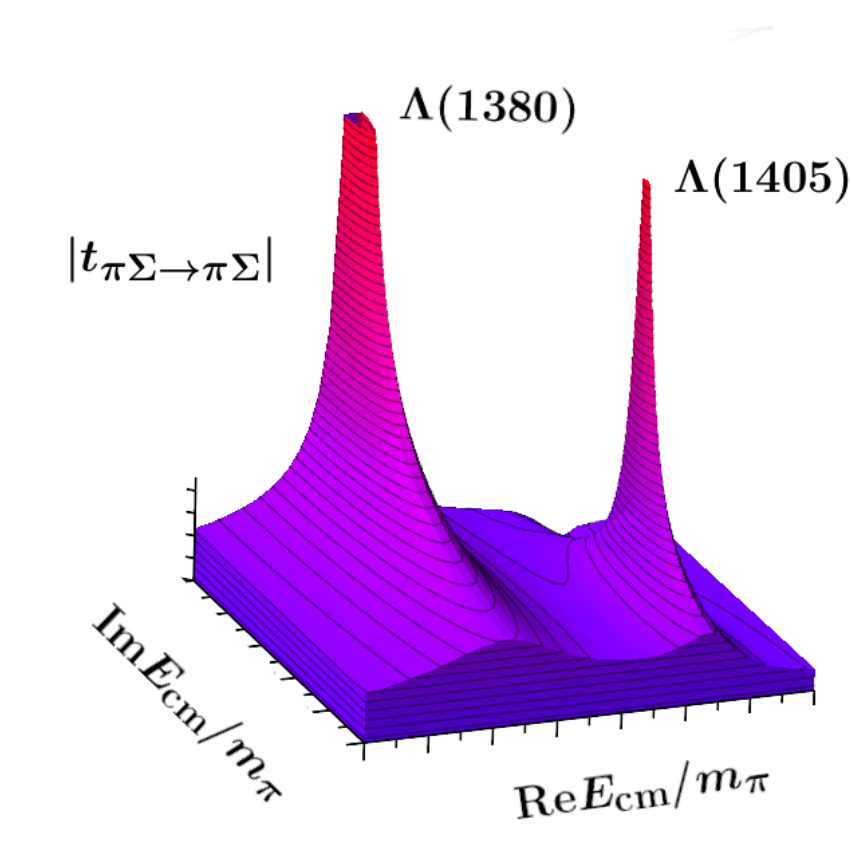
Virtual bound state

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ratio of residues of the pole



Resonance pole

$$E_2 = [1455(13)_{\text{stat}}(2)_{\text{model}}(17)_a - i \times 11.5(4.4)_{\text{stat}}(4.0)_{\text{model}}(0.1)_a] \text{ MeV}$$

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Stronger coupling to KN

☑ Qualitative agreement with chiral approaches
[See PDG, section 83]

$$\text{Re } E_1 = 1325 - 1380 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\text{Re } E_2 = 1421 - 1434 \text{ MeV}$$

○ Poles are at slightly larger energies

○ Lower pole on the real axis

► Unphysical pion mass effect?

The three-hadron frontier from LQCD

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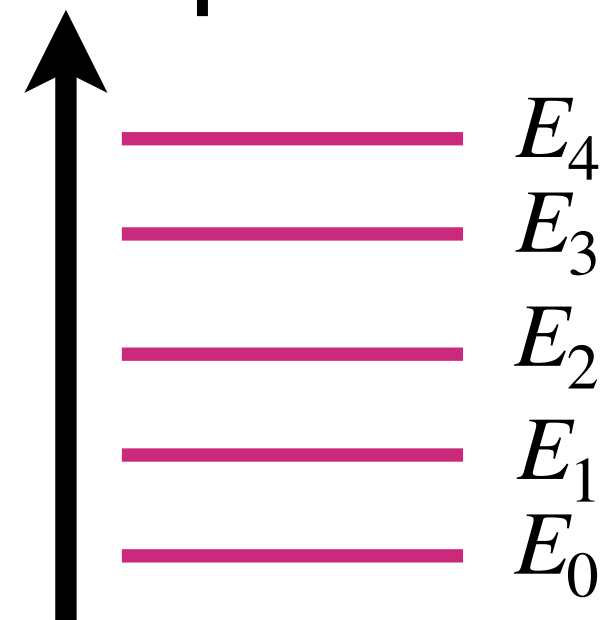
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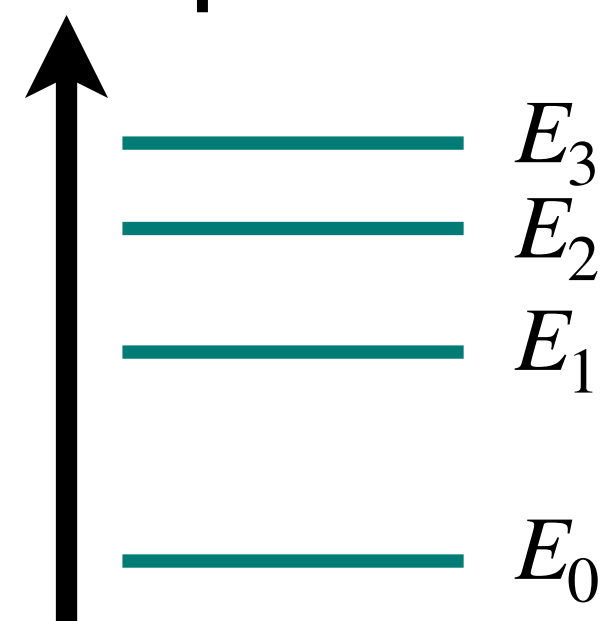
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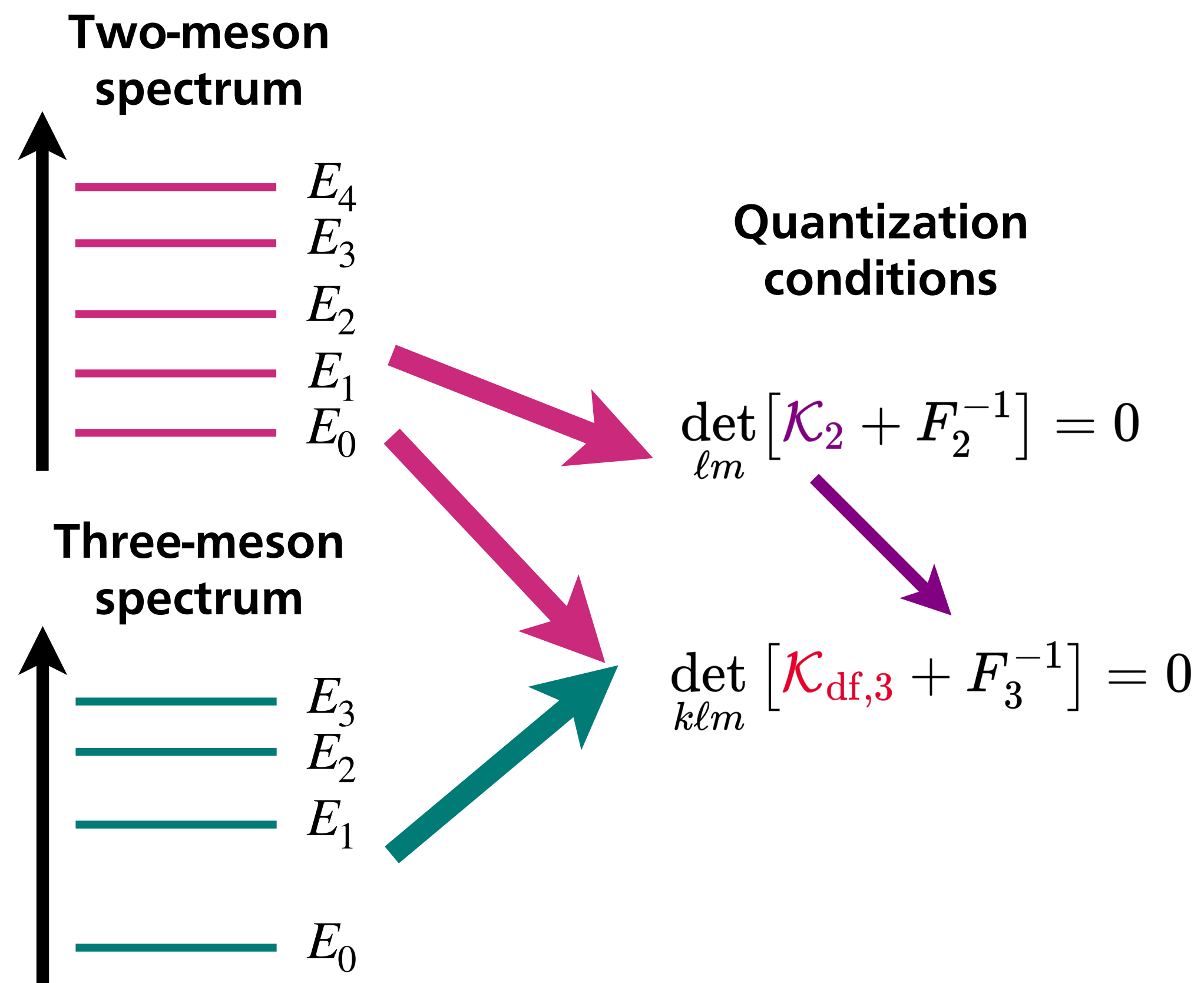


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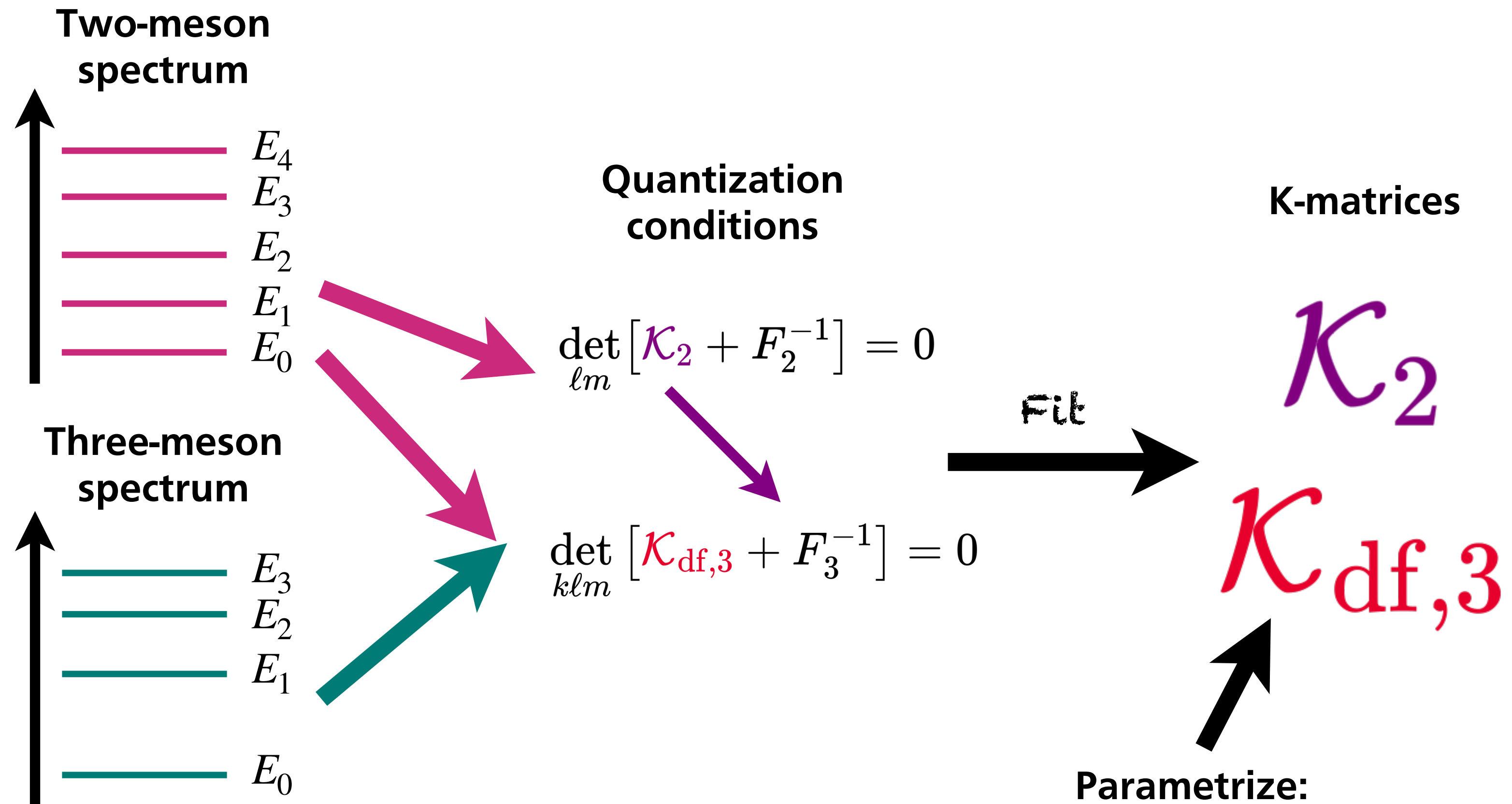
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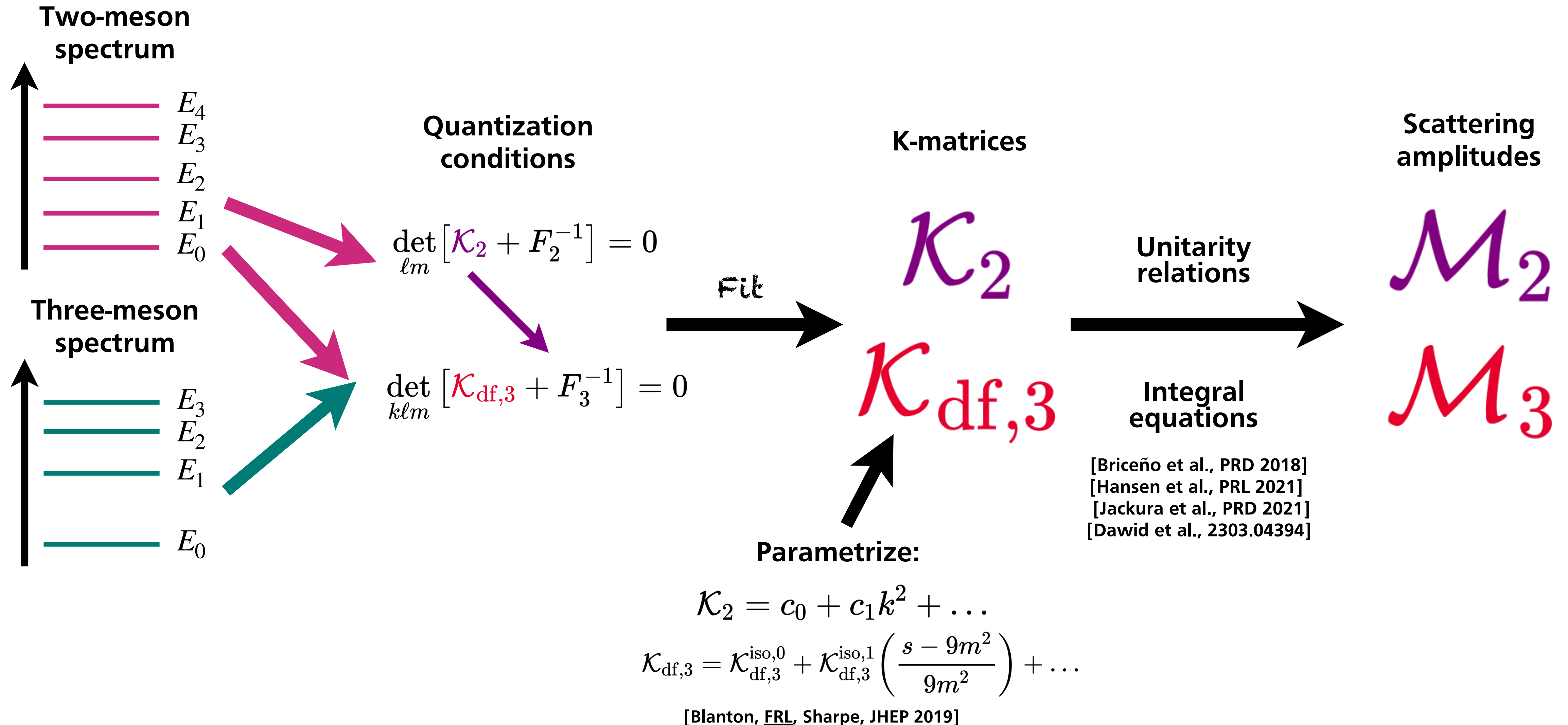
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D200	$64^3 \times 128$	200	480	2000
E250	$96^3 \times 192$	130	500	505

$$a \simeq 0.063 \text{ fm}$$

$$\text{tr } m_q = 2m_{ud} + m_s \simeq \text{const}$$

Three-pion K matrix

Three-particle formalism applied to weakly-interacting (non-resonant) systems, e.g. $\pi^+\pi^+\pi^+$

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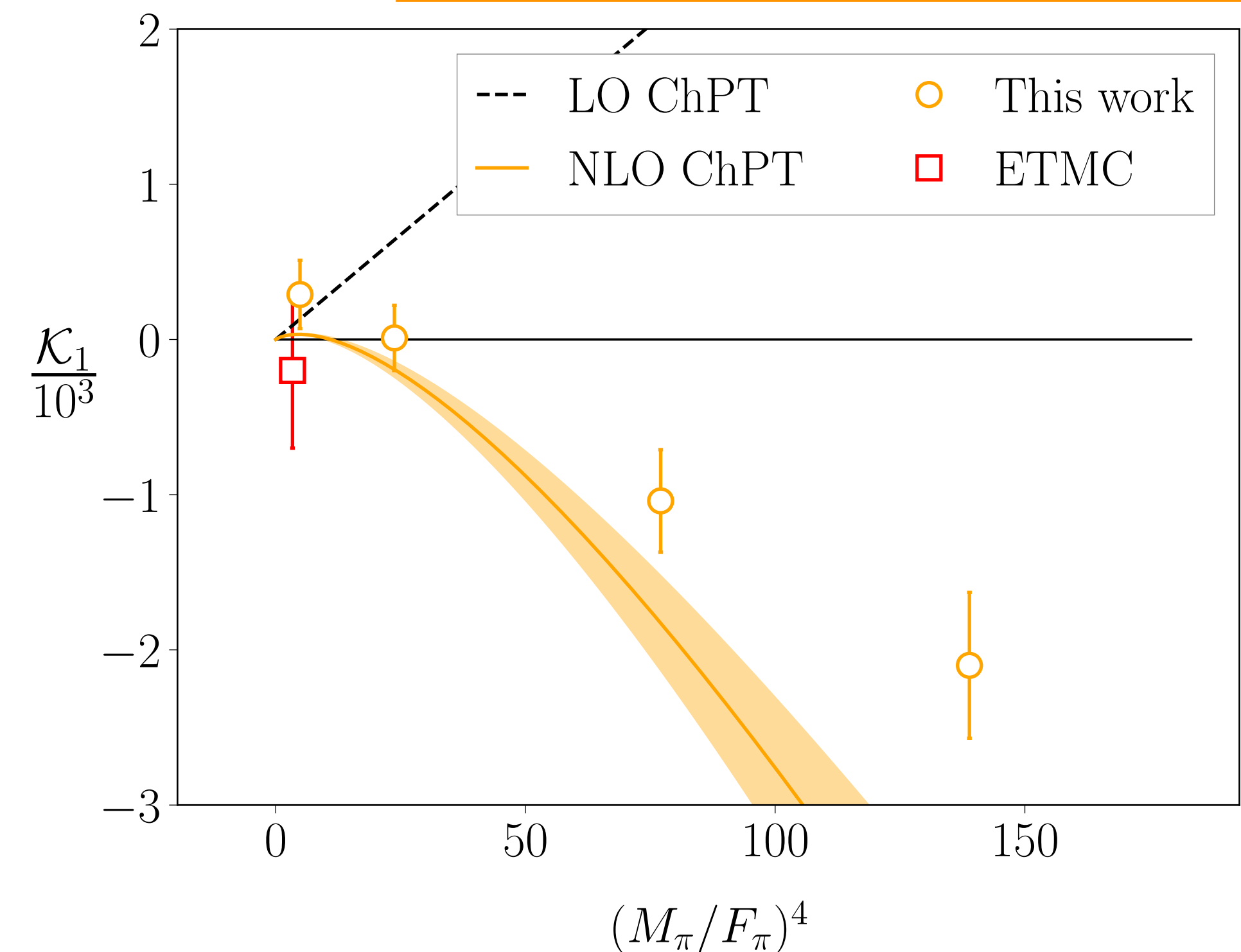
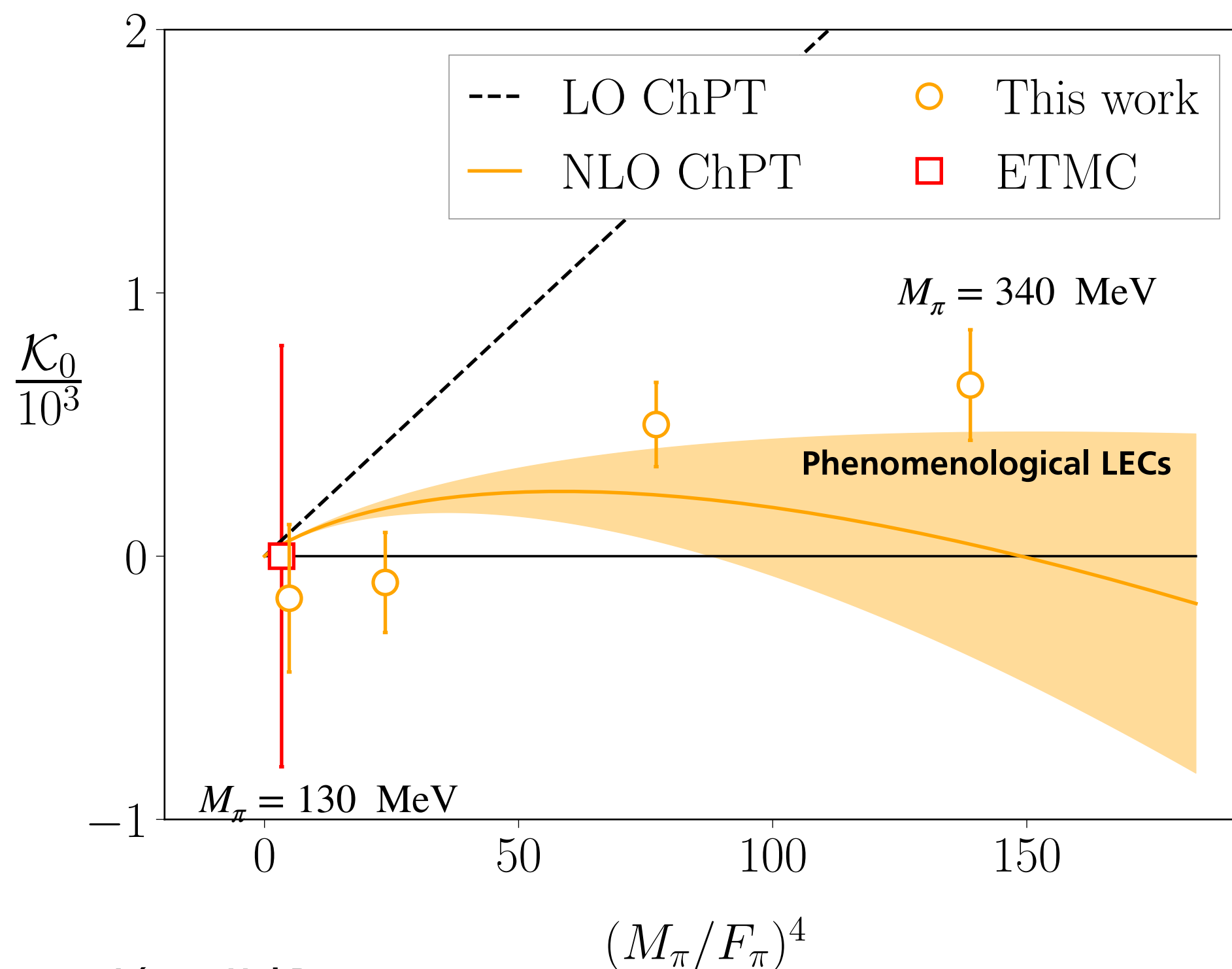
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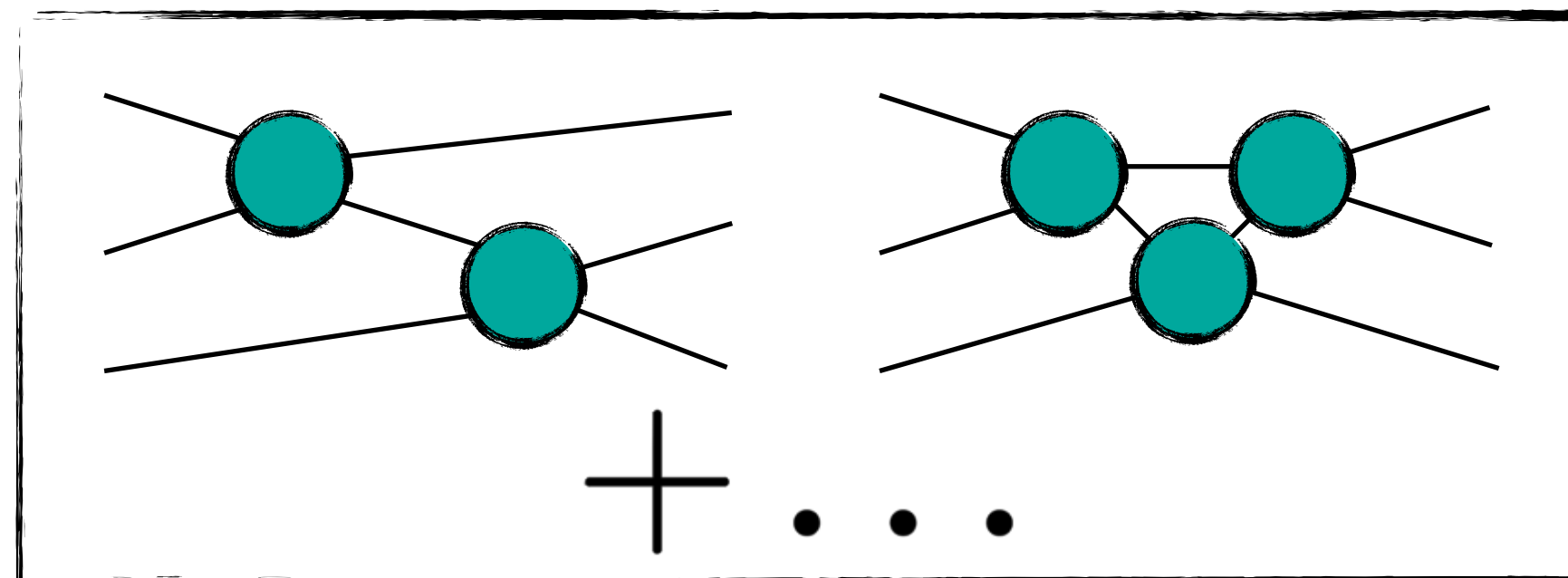


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- Physical amplitudes that are consistent with unitarity are obtained after solving integral equations:

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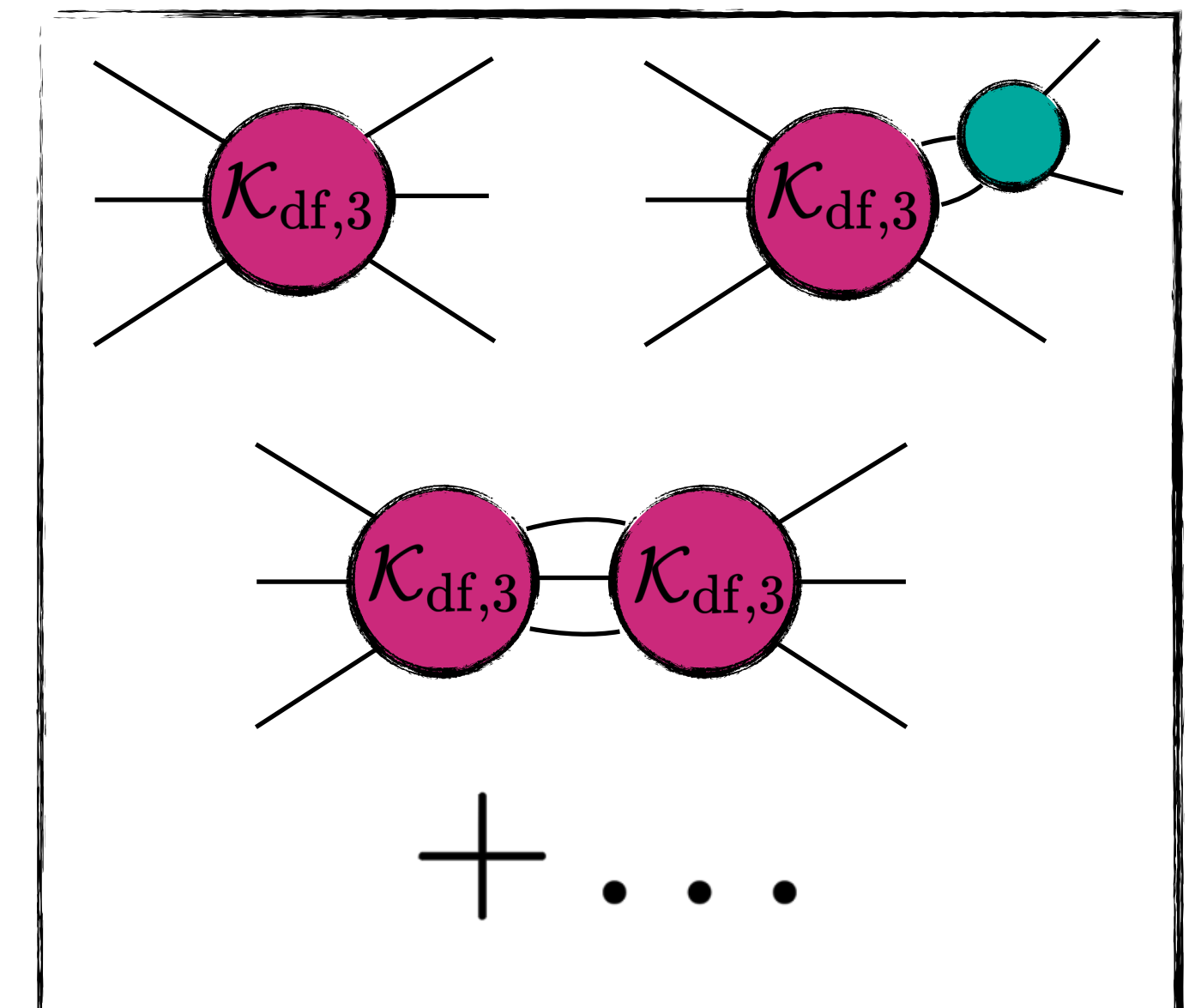
"ladder amplitude"



two-body rescattering

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"divergence-free amplitude"

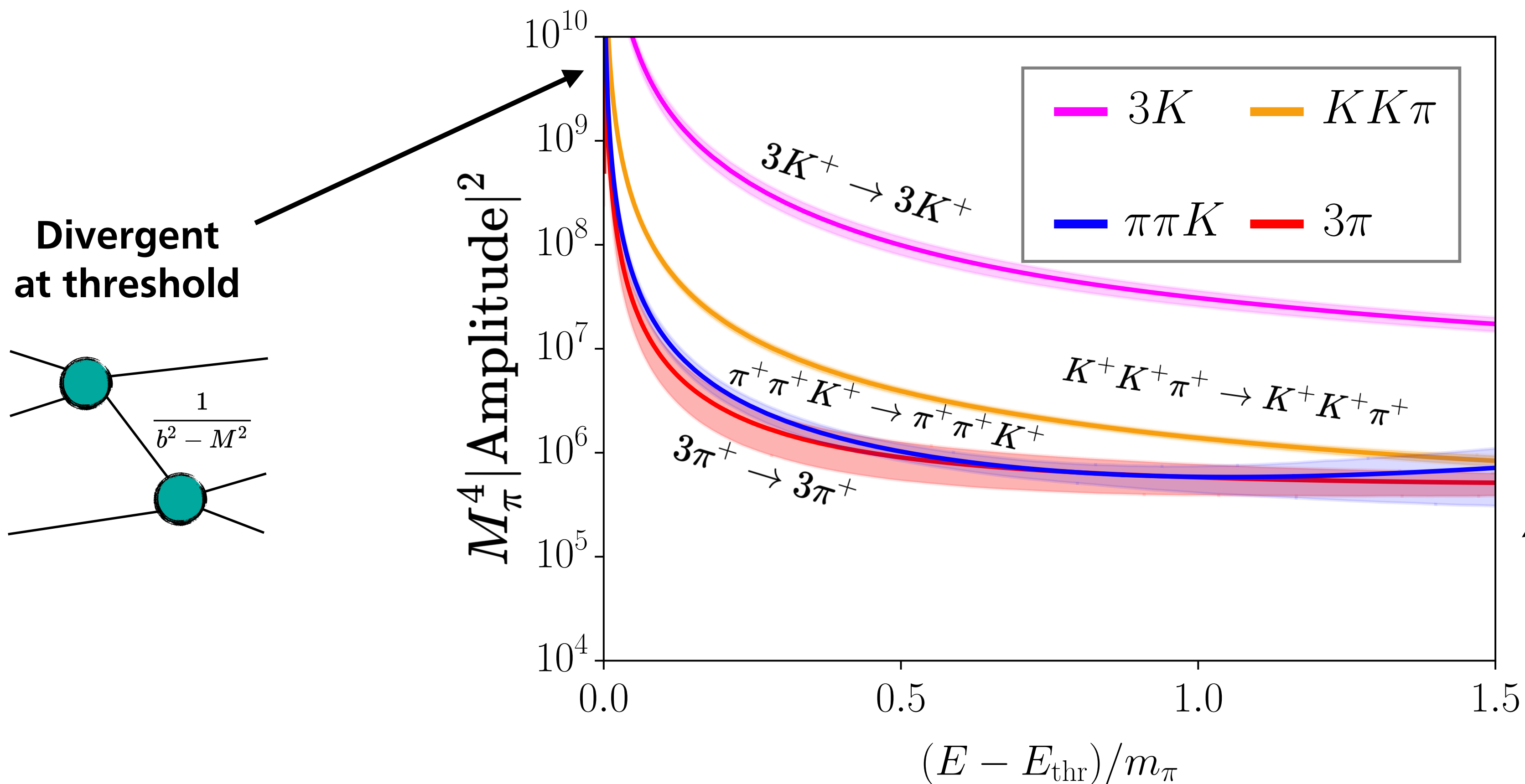


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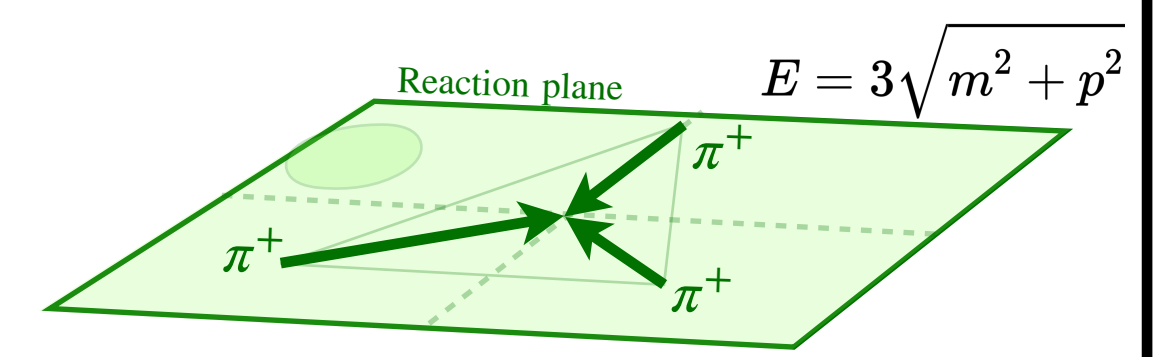
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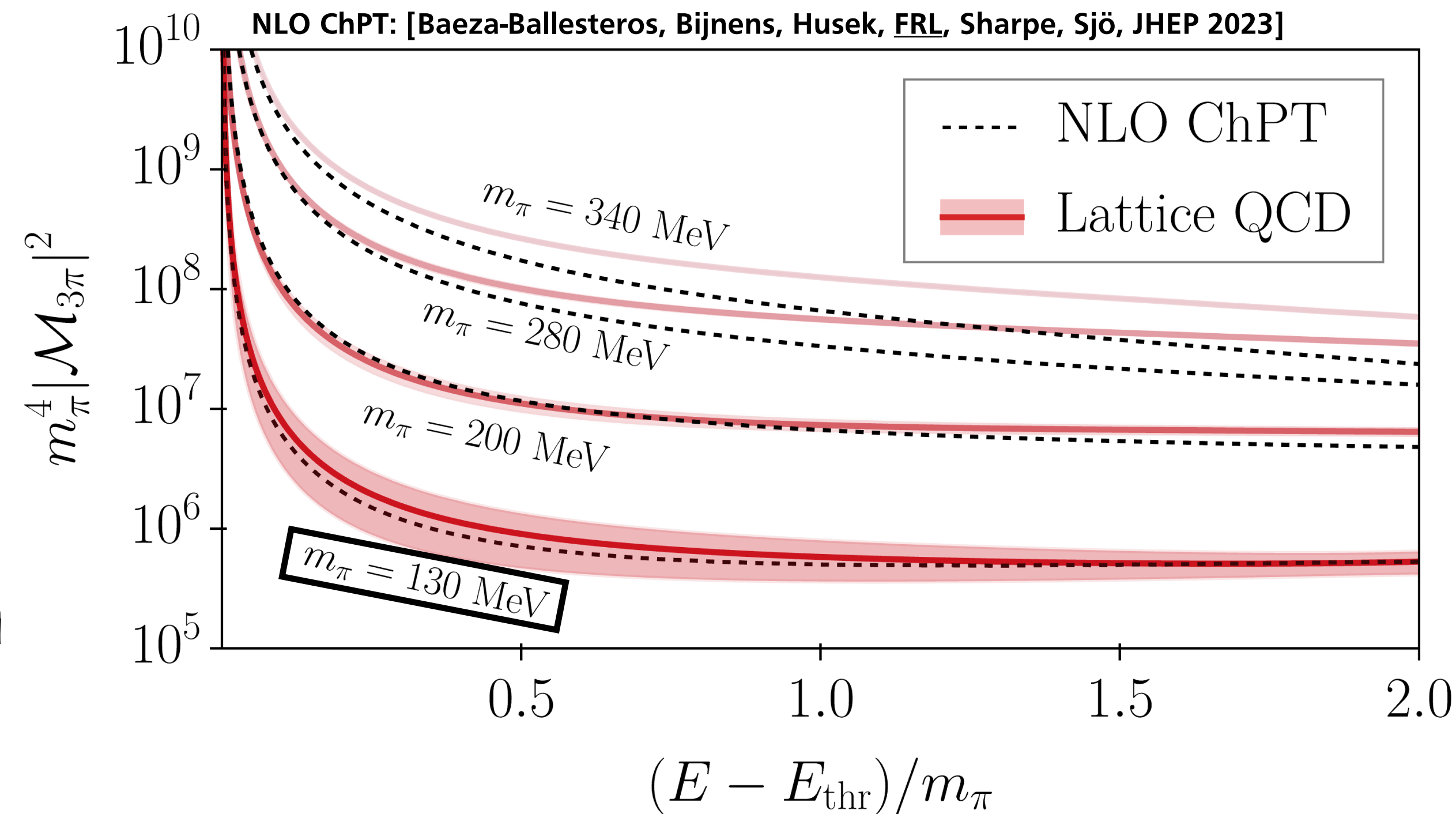
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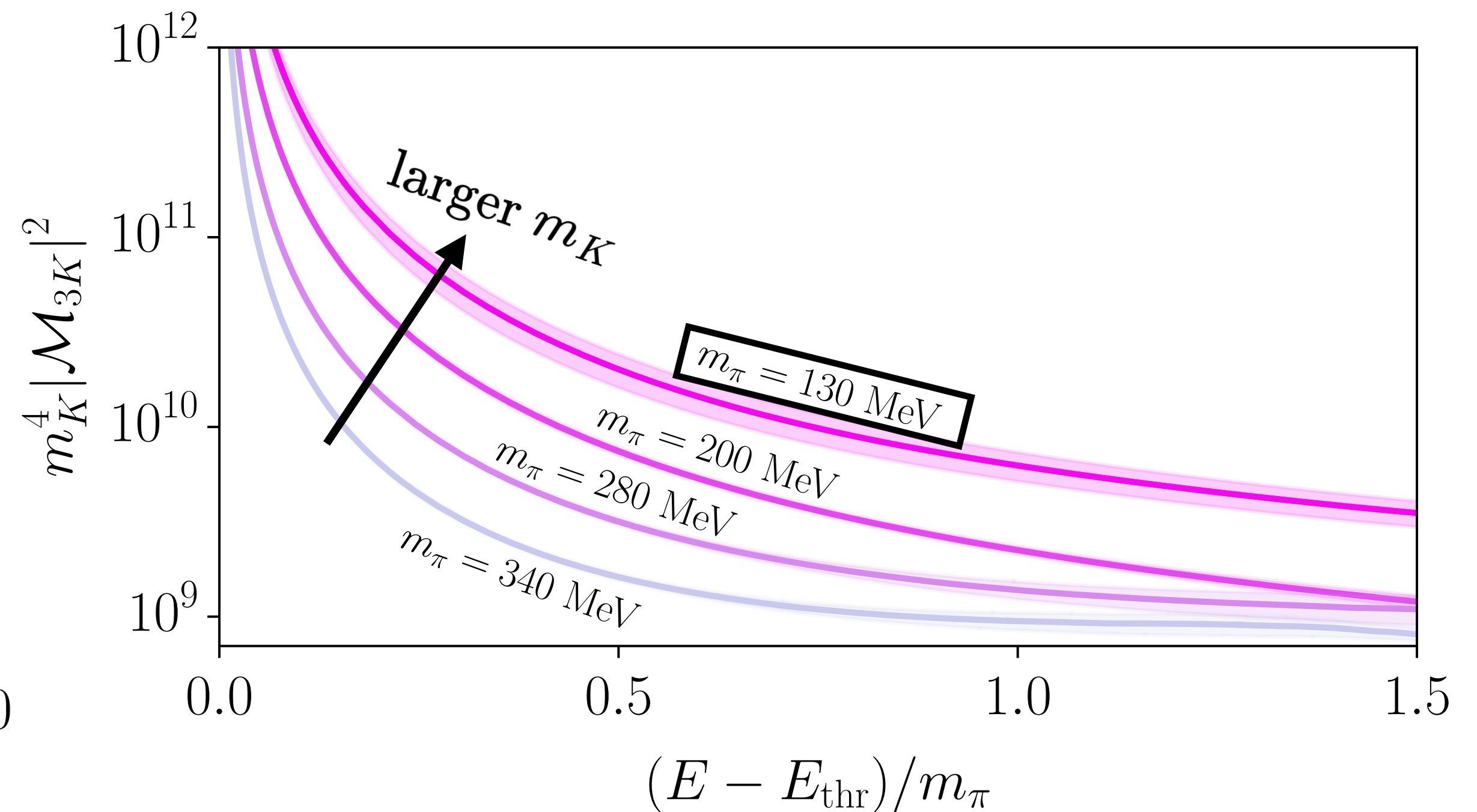
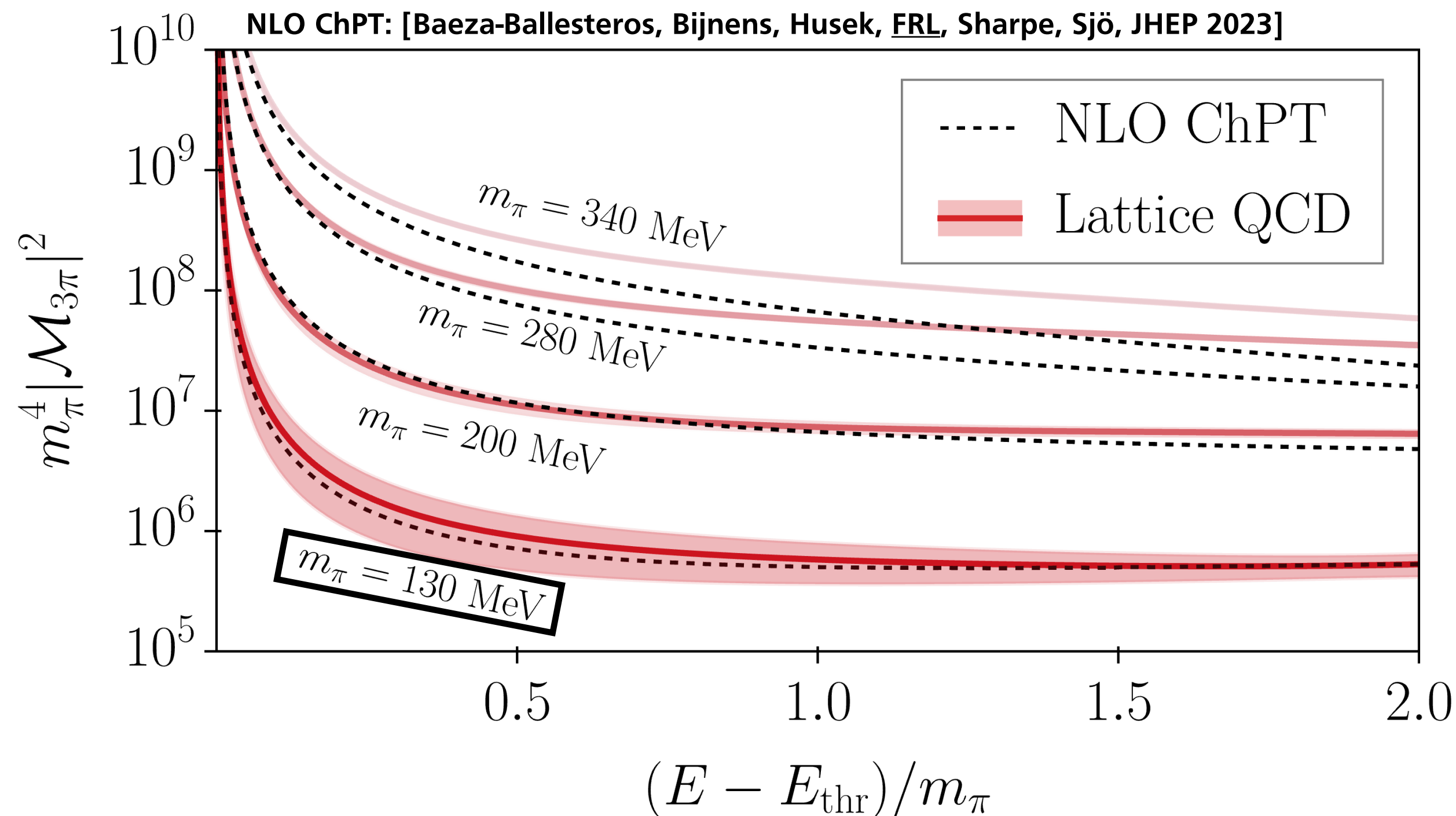


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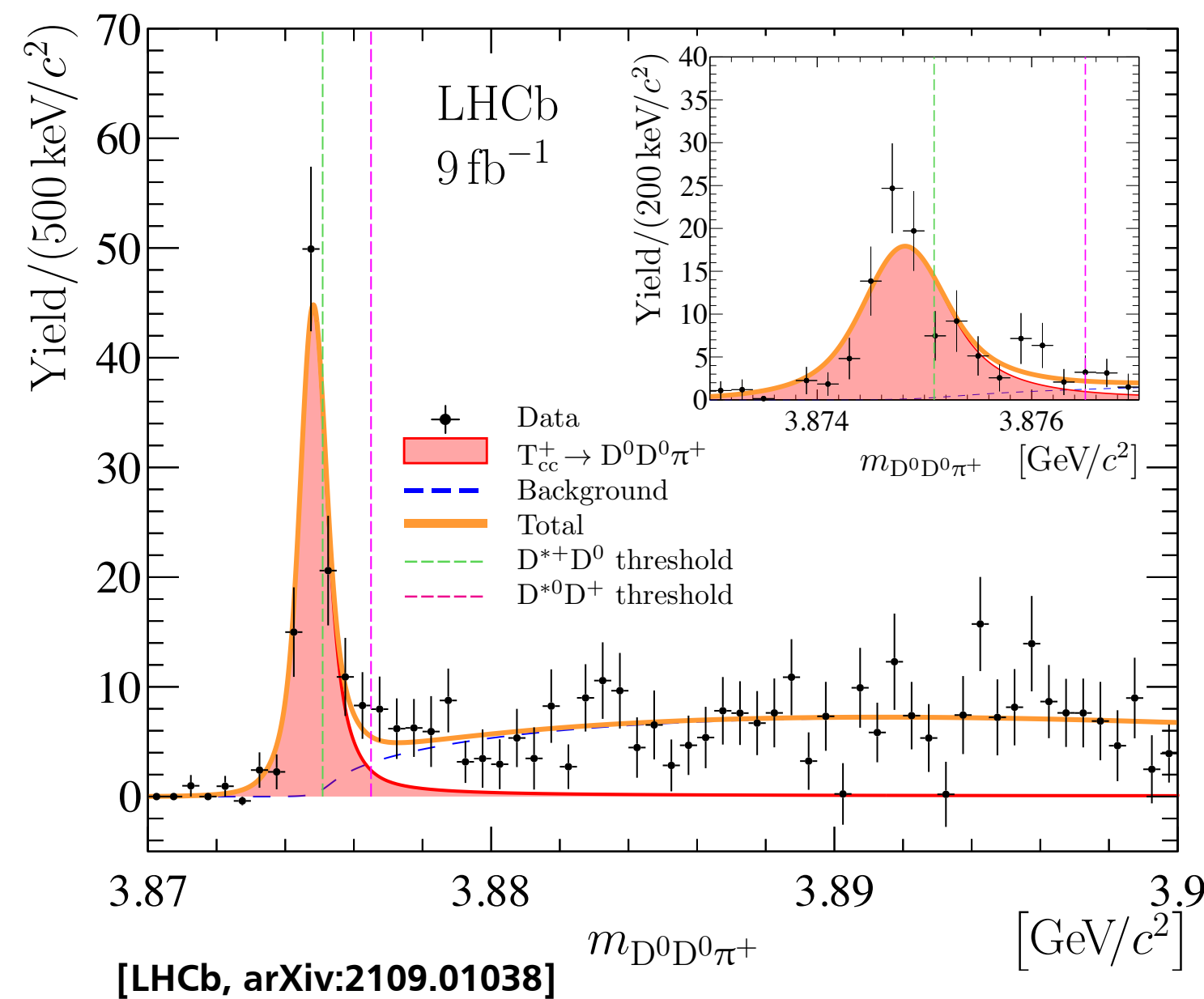
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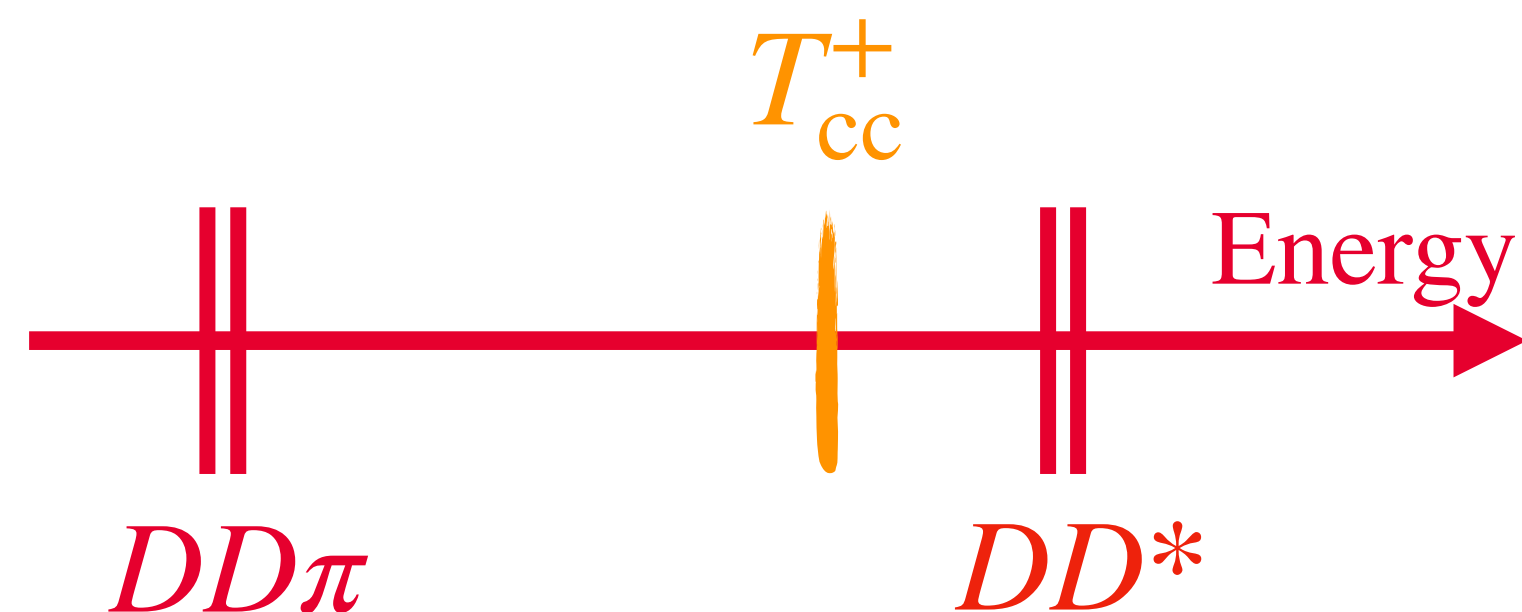
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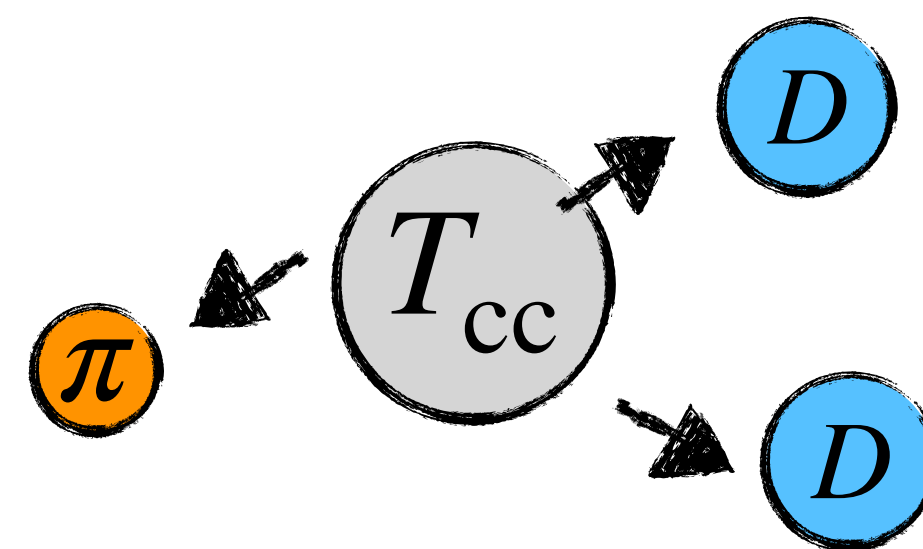
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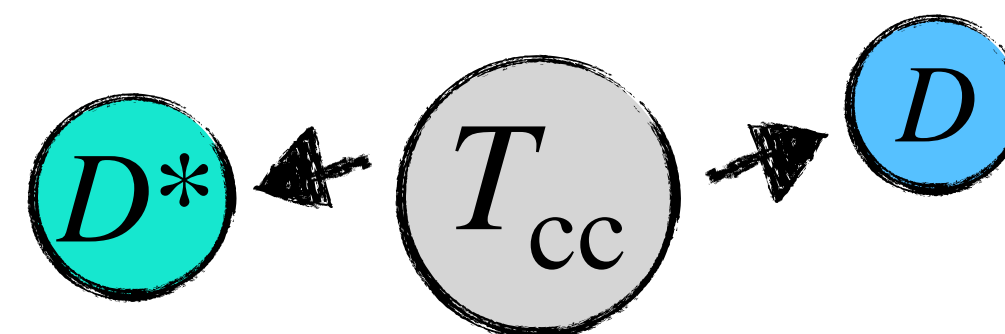


► For physical quark masses is a three-body resonance



need three-body formalism!

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suitable for the two-body finite-volume formalism?

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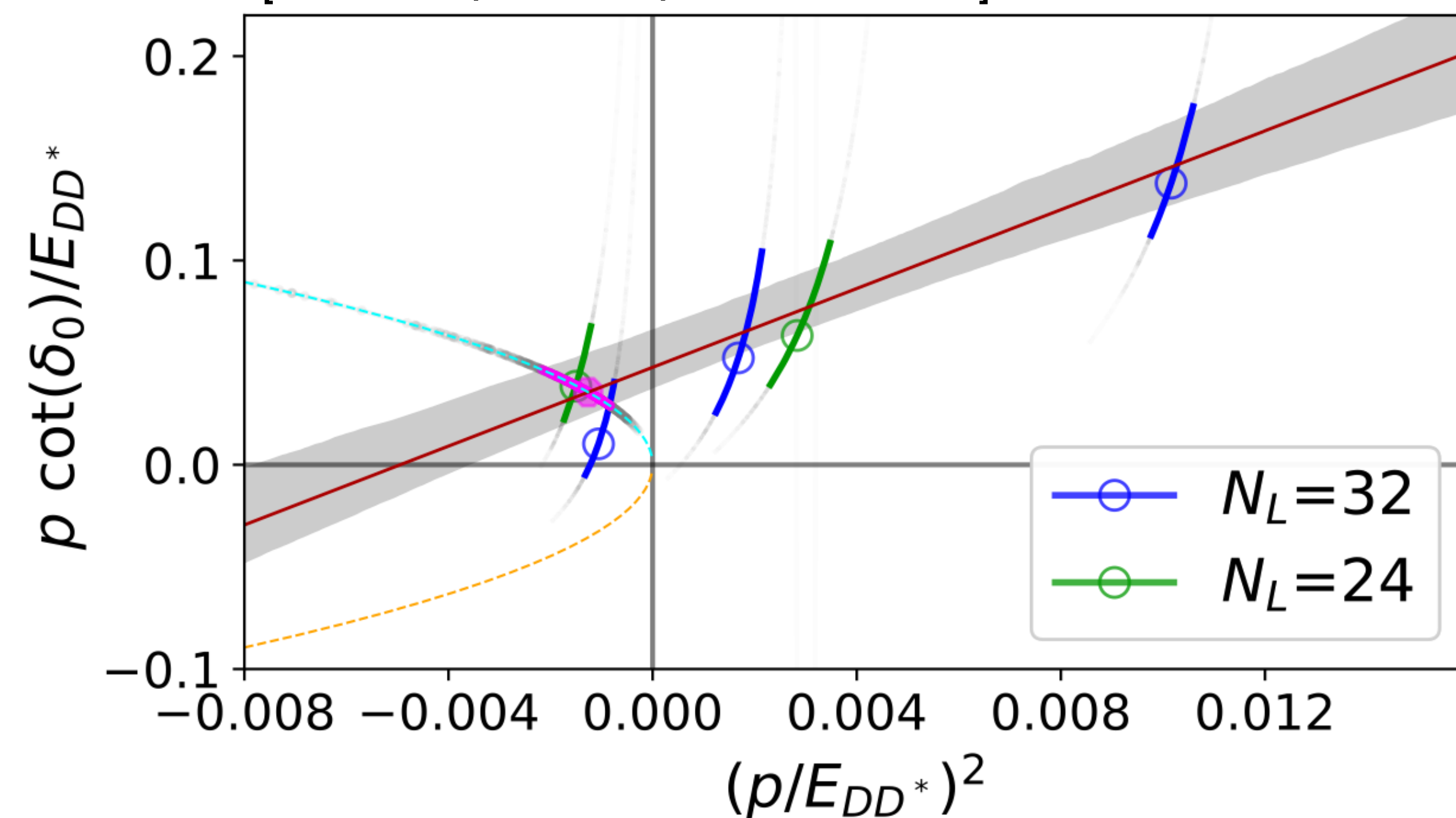
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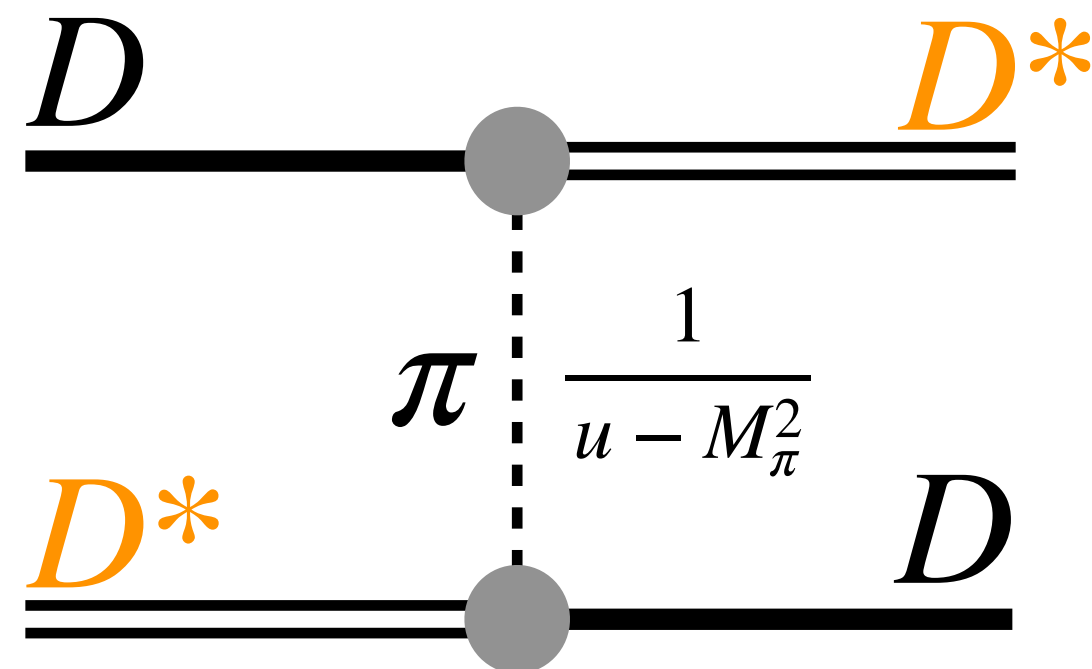
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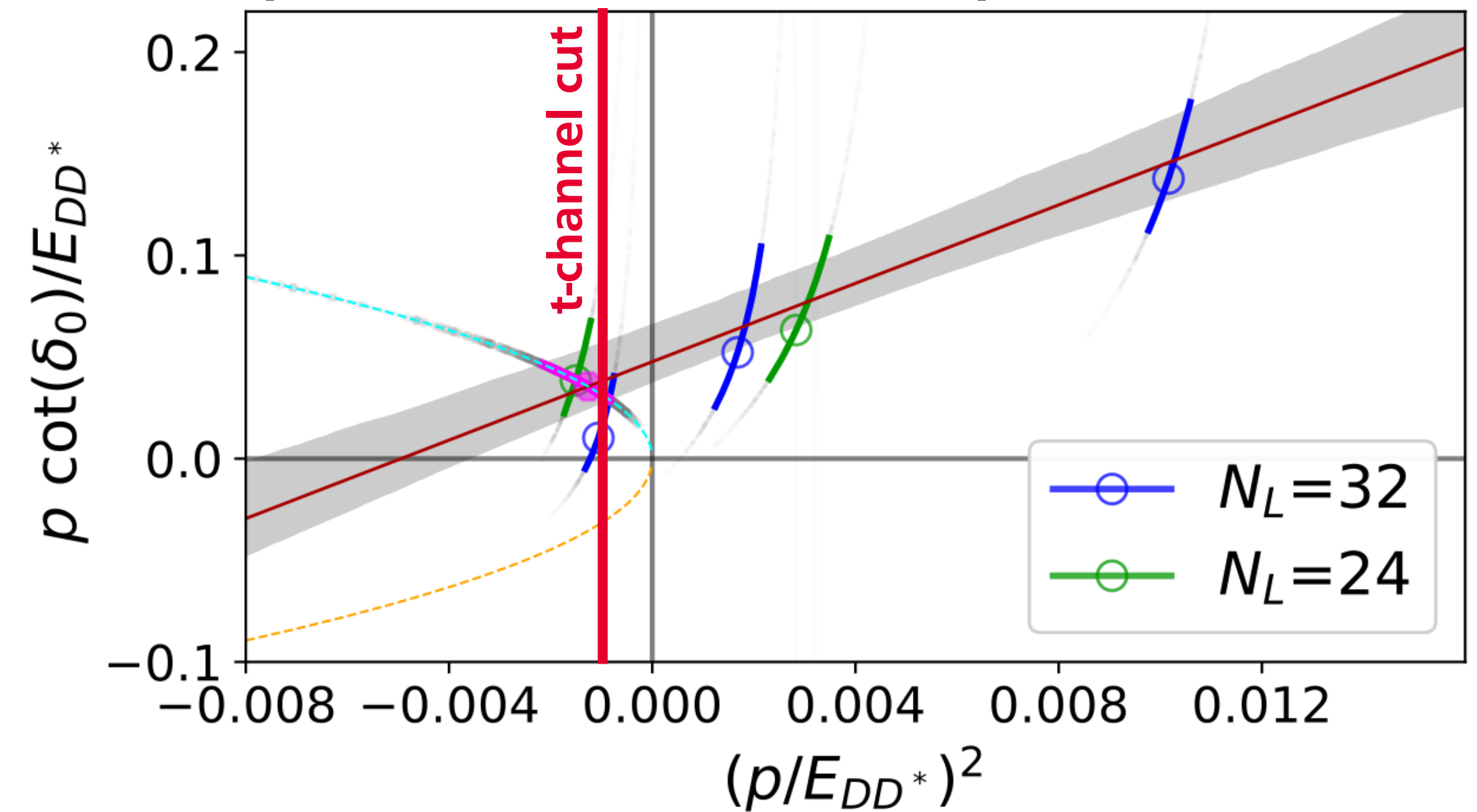
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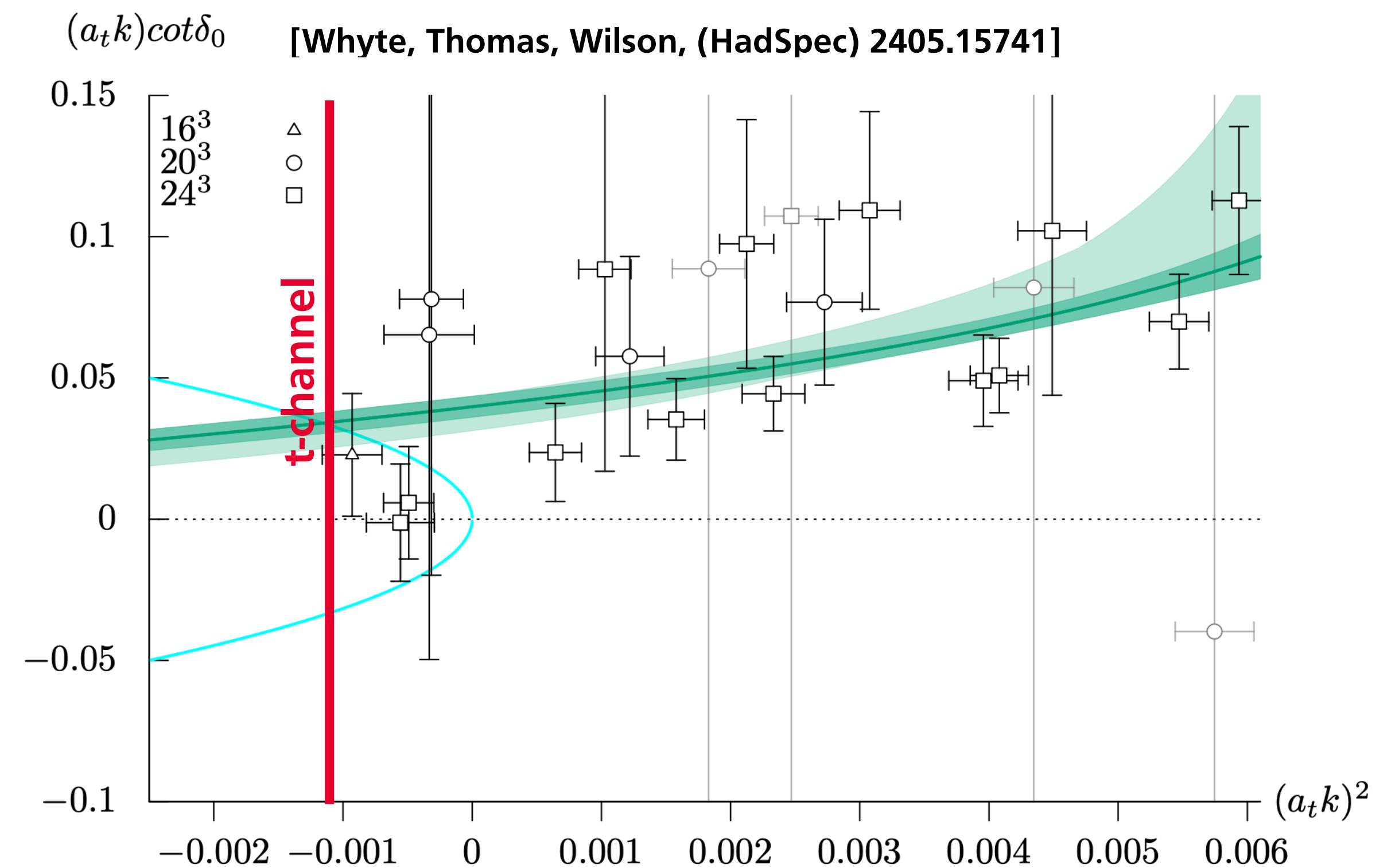
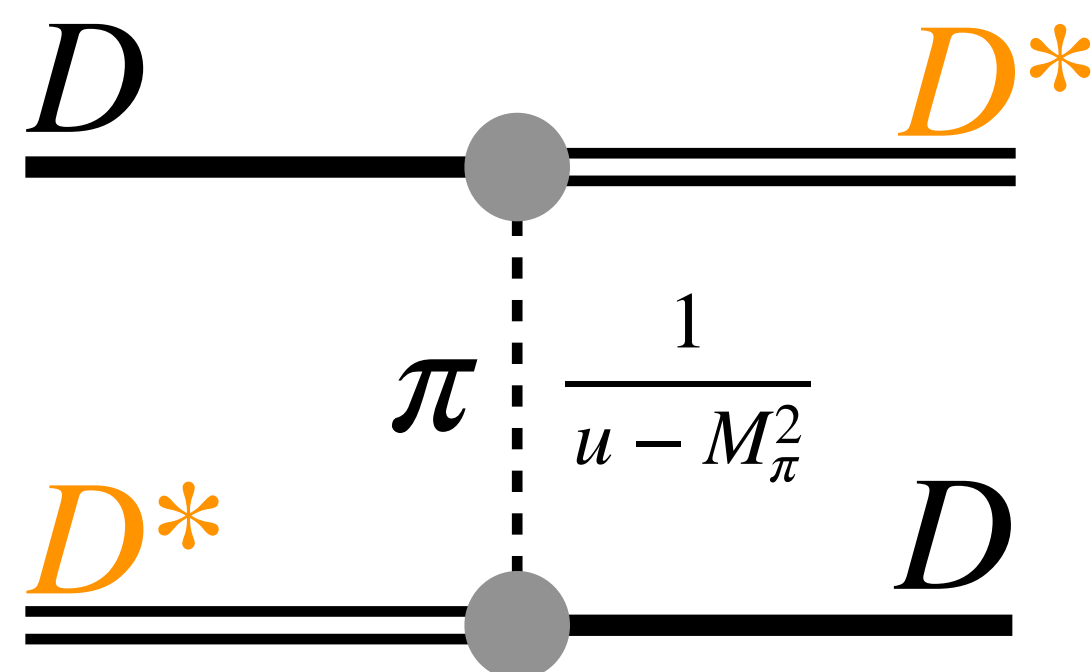
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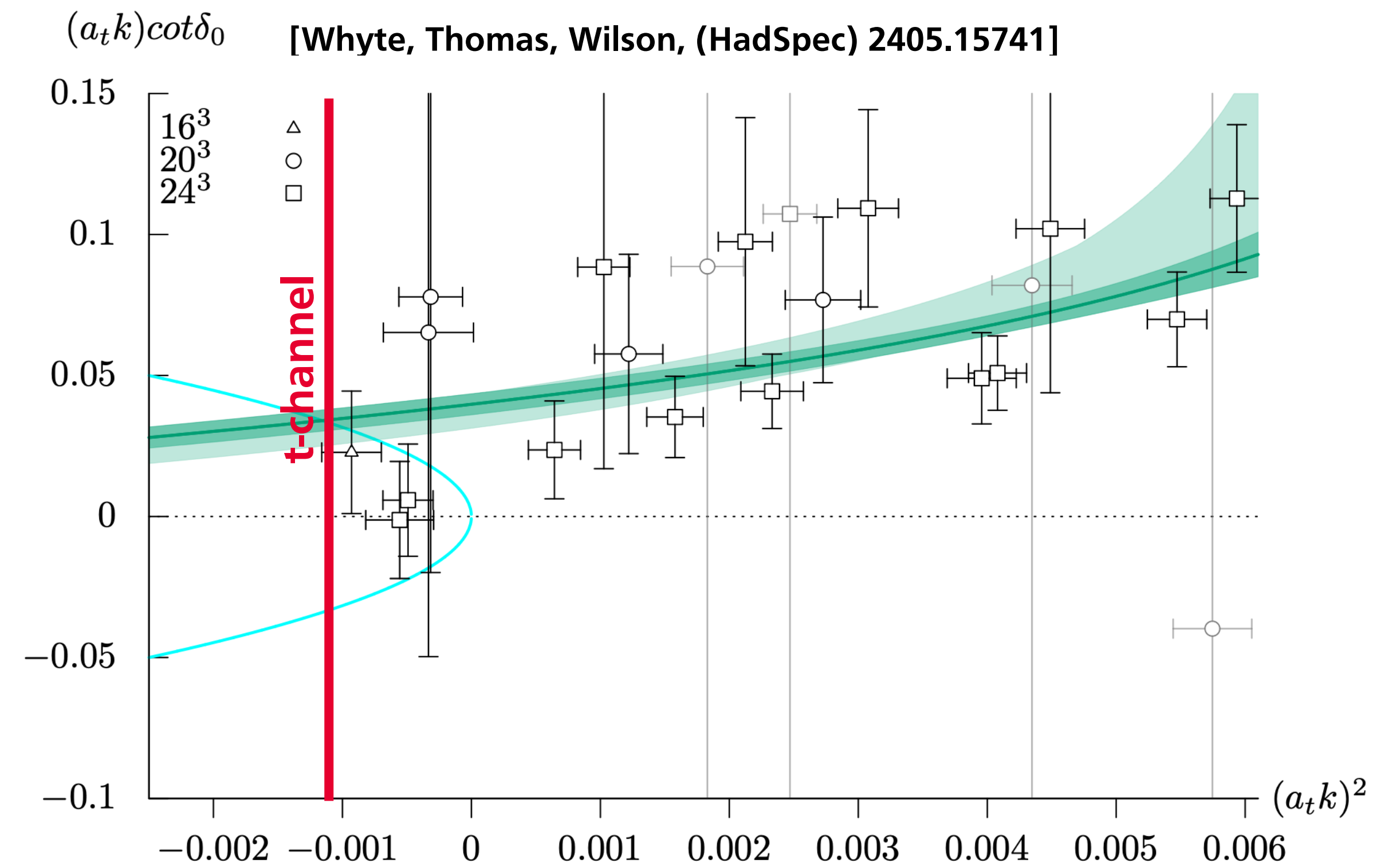
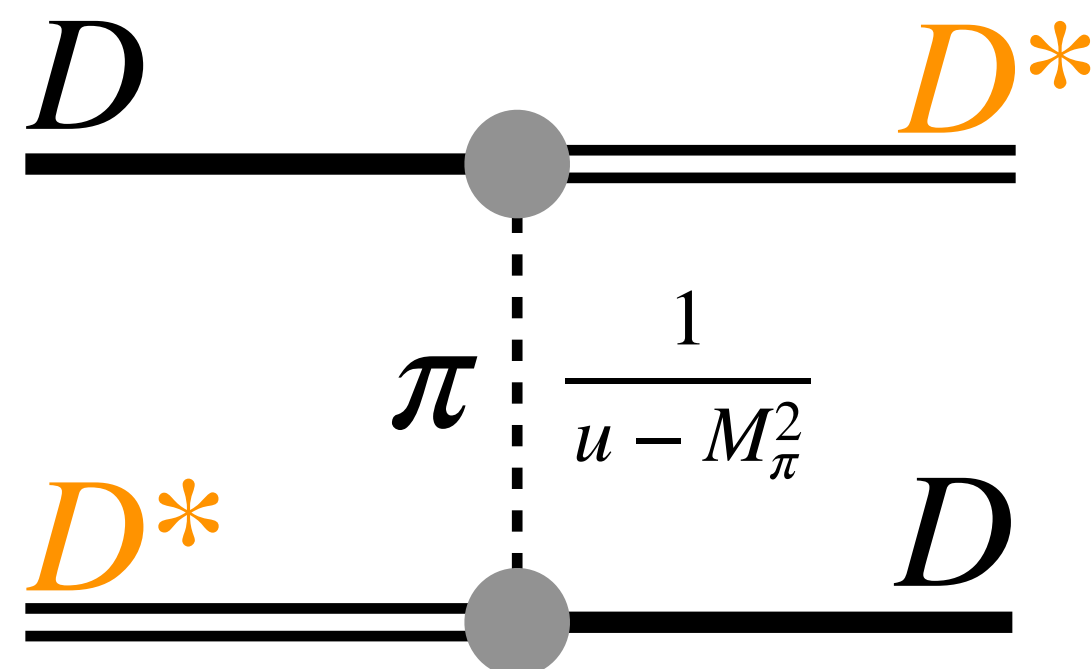
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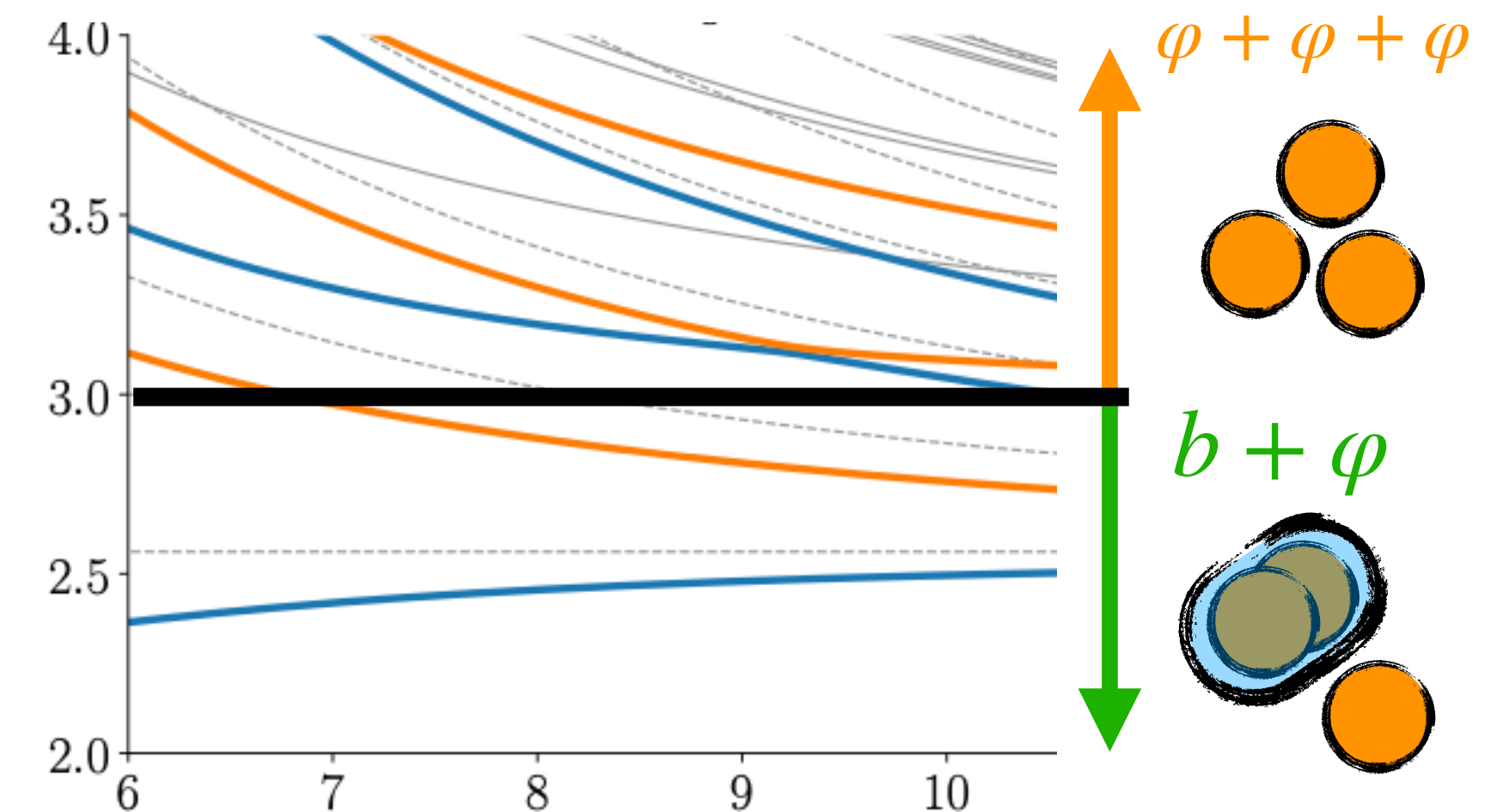
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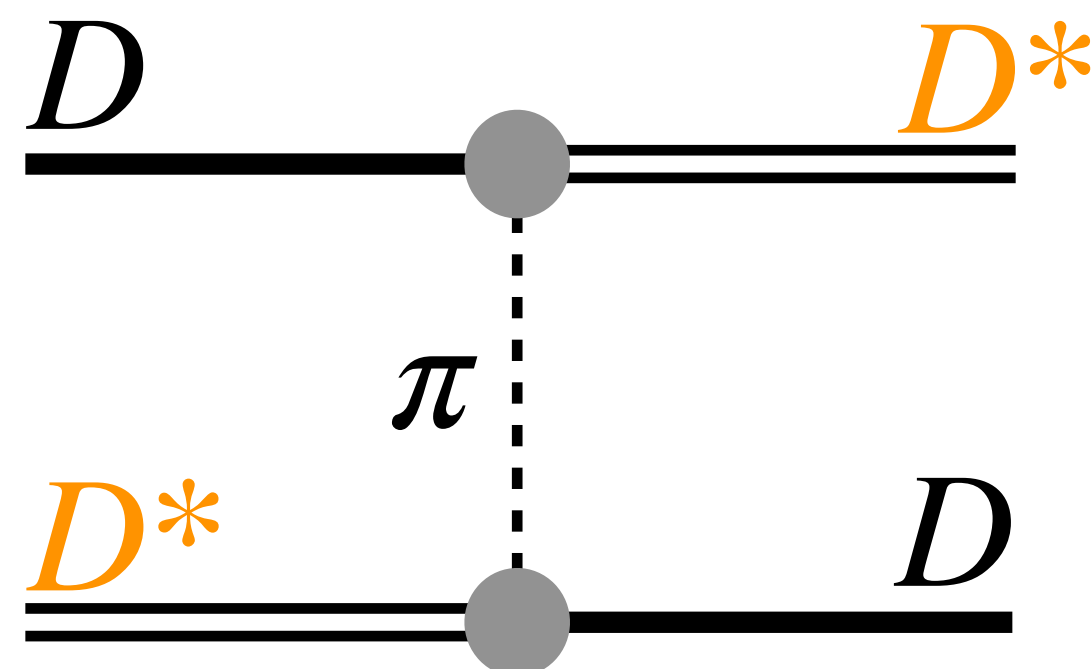
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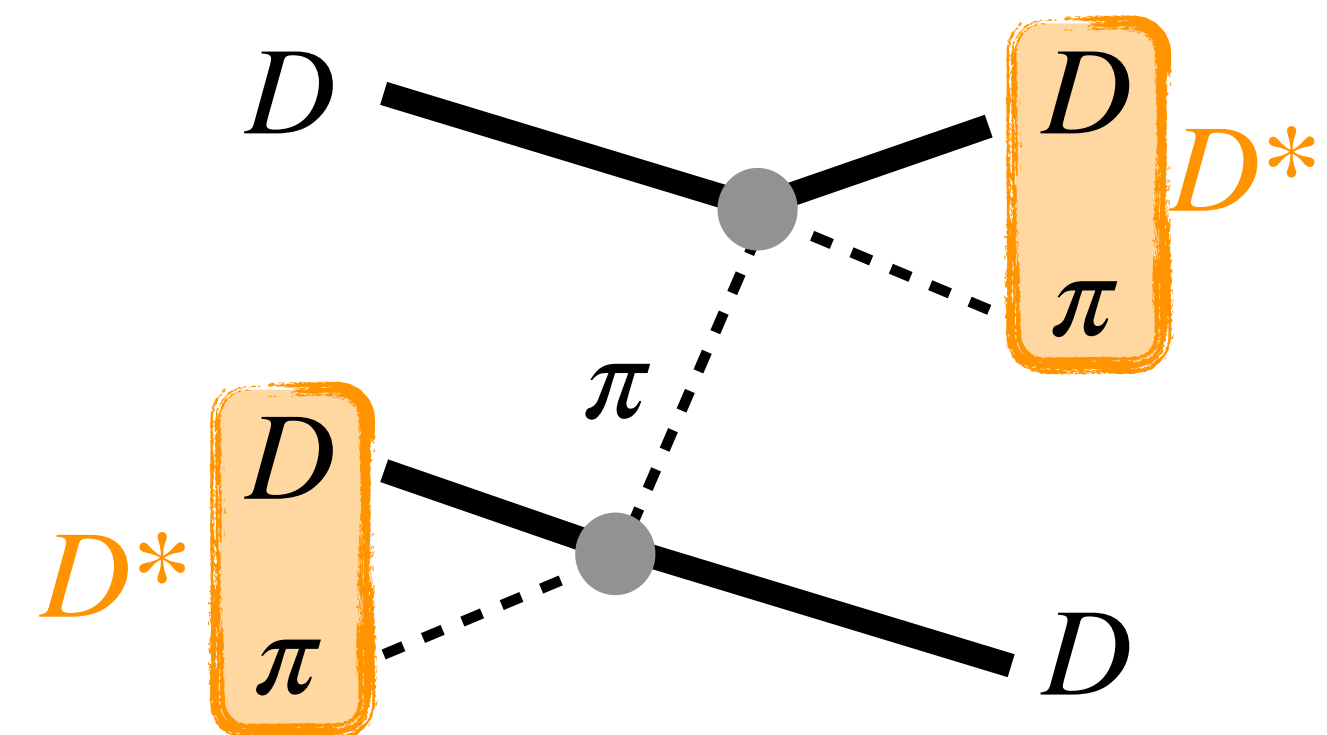
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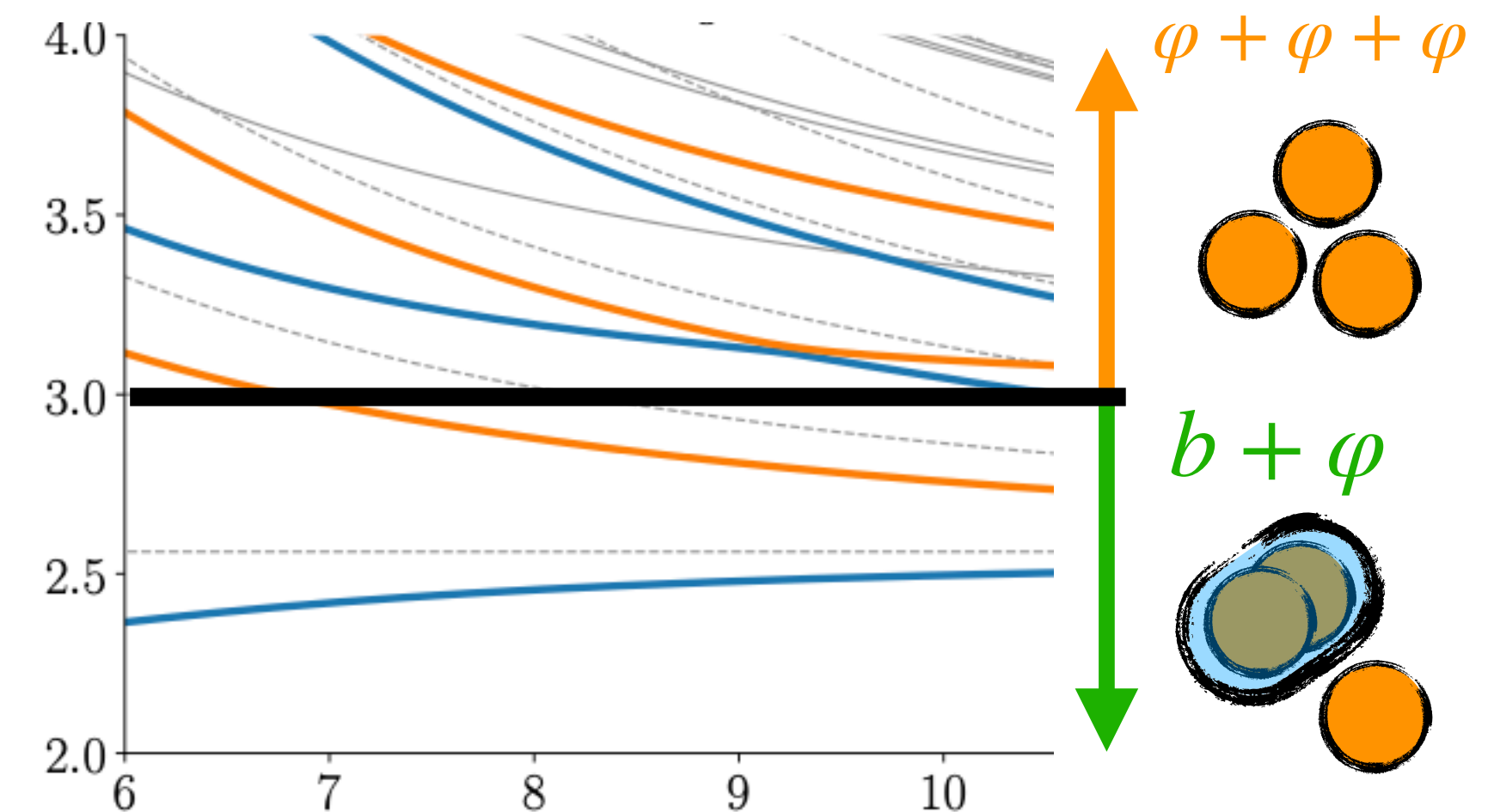
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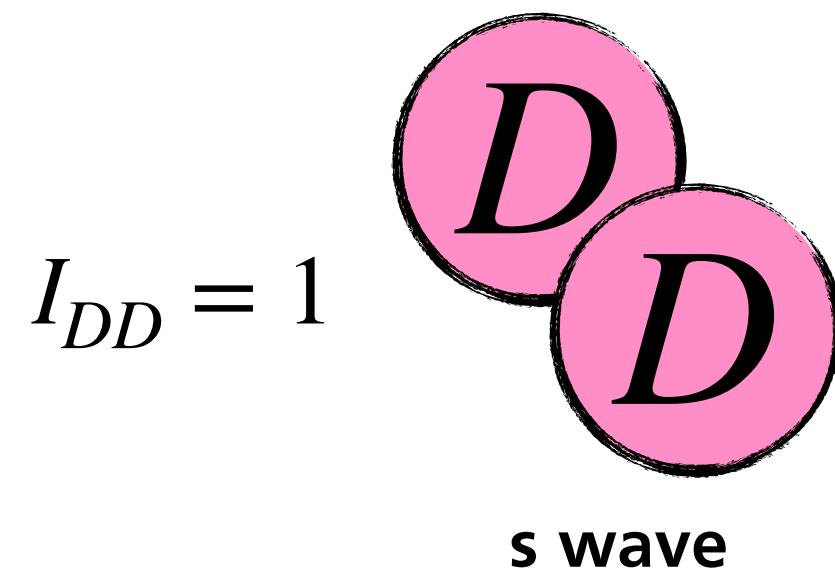
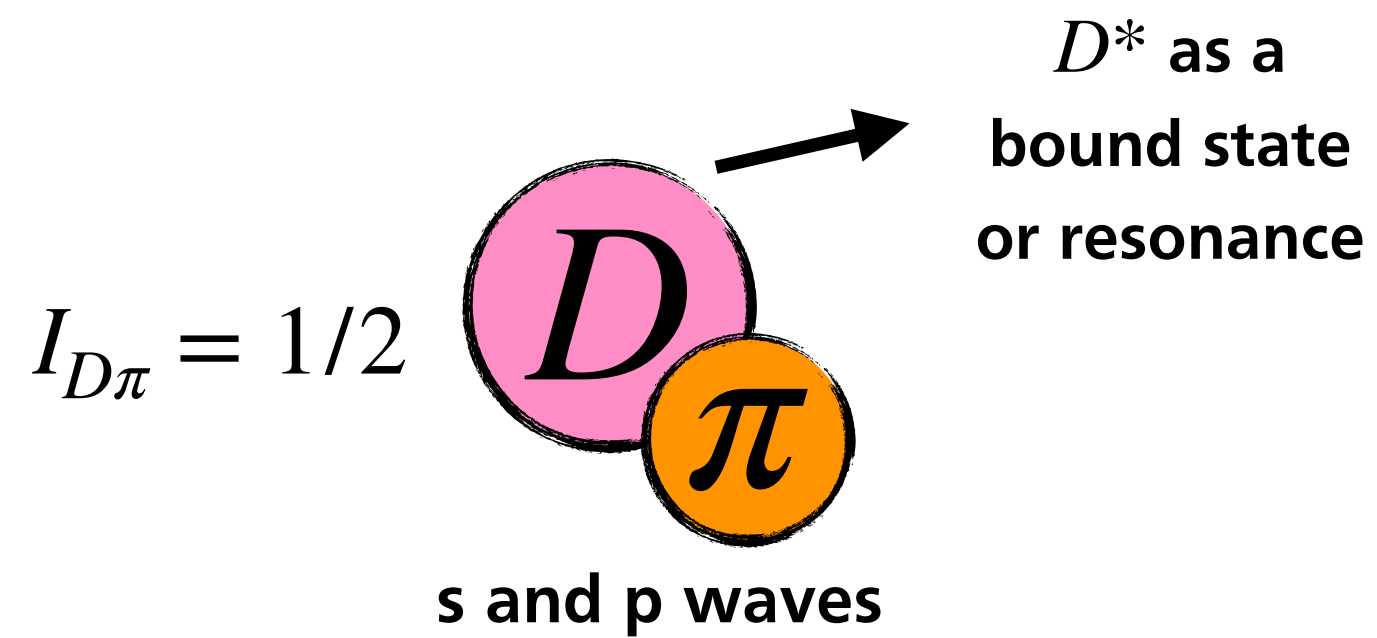
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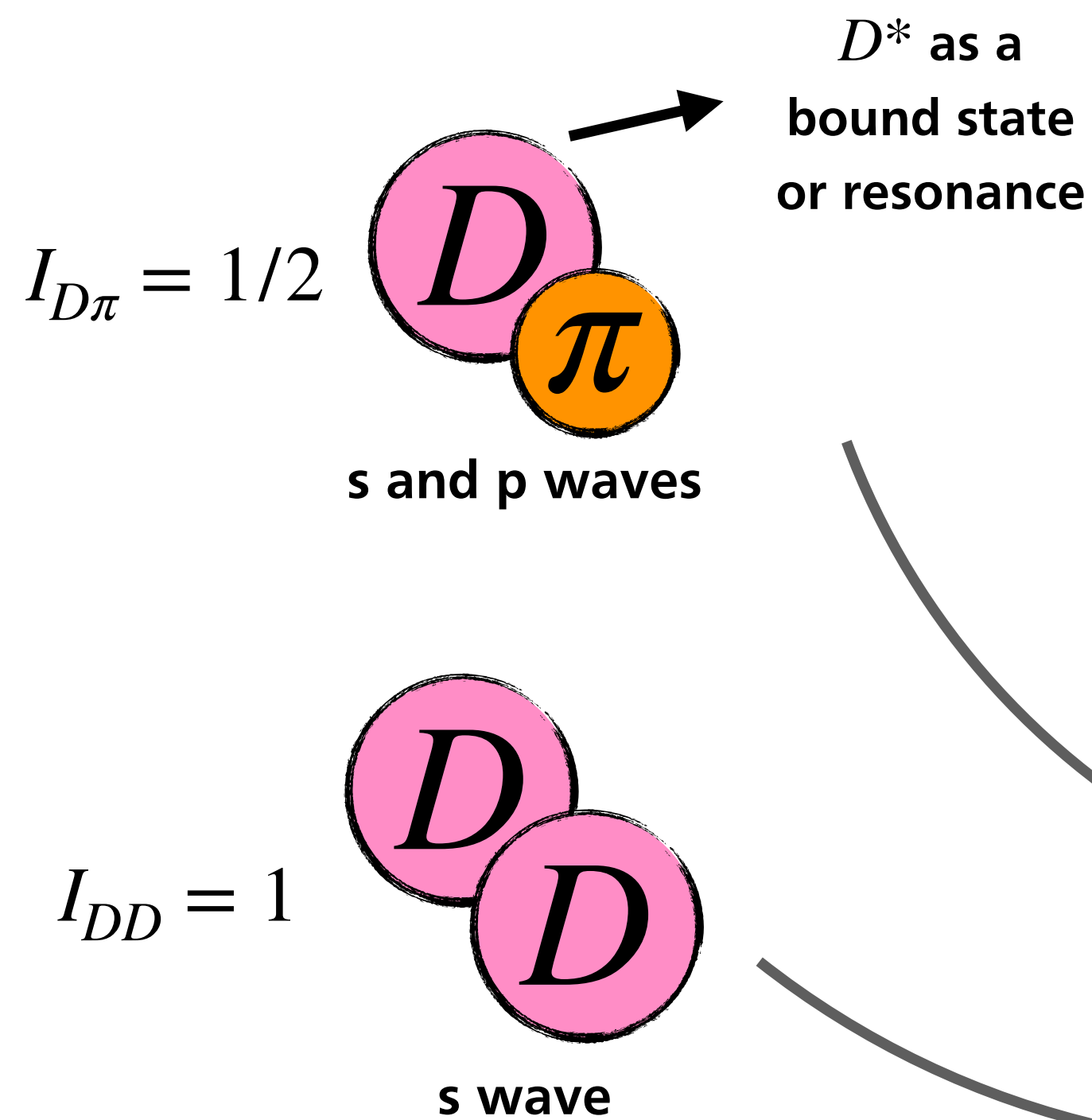
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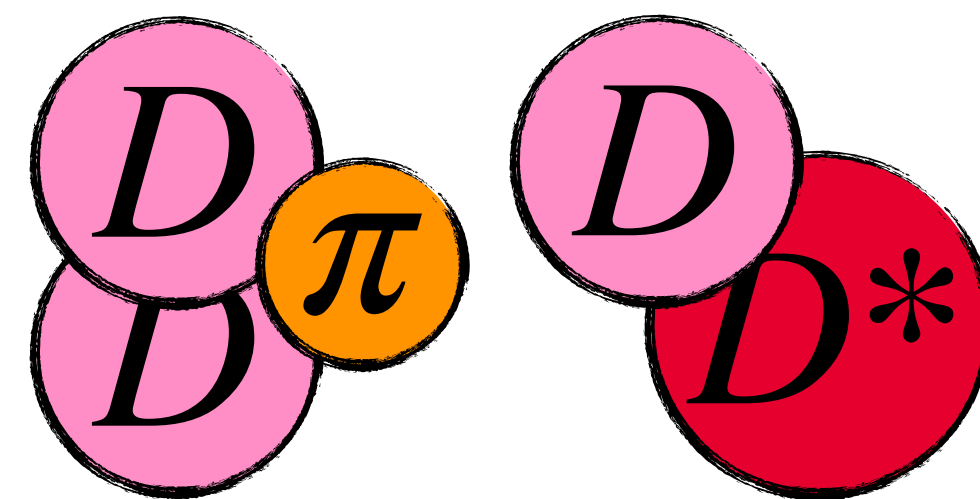
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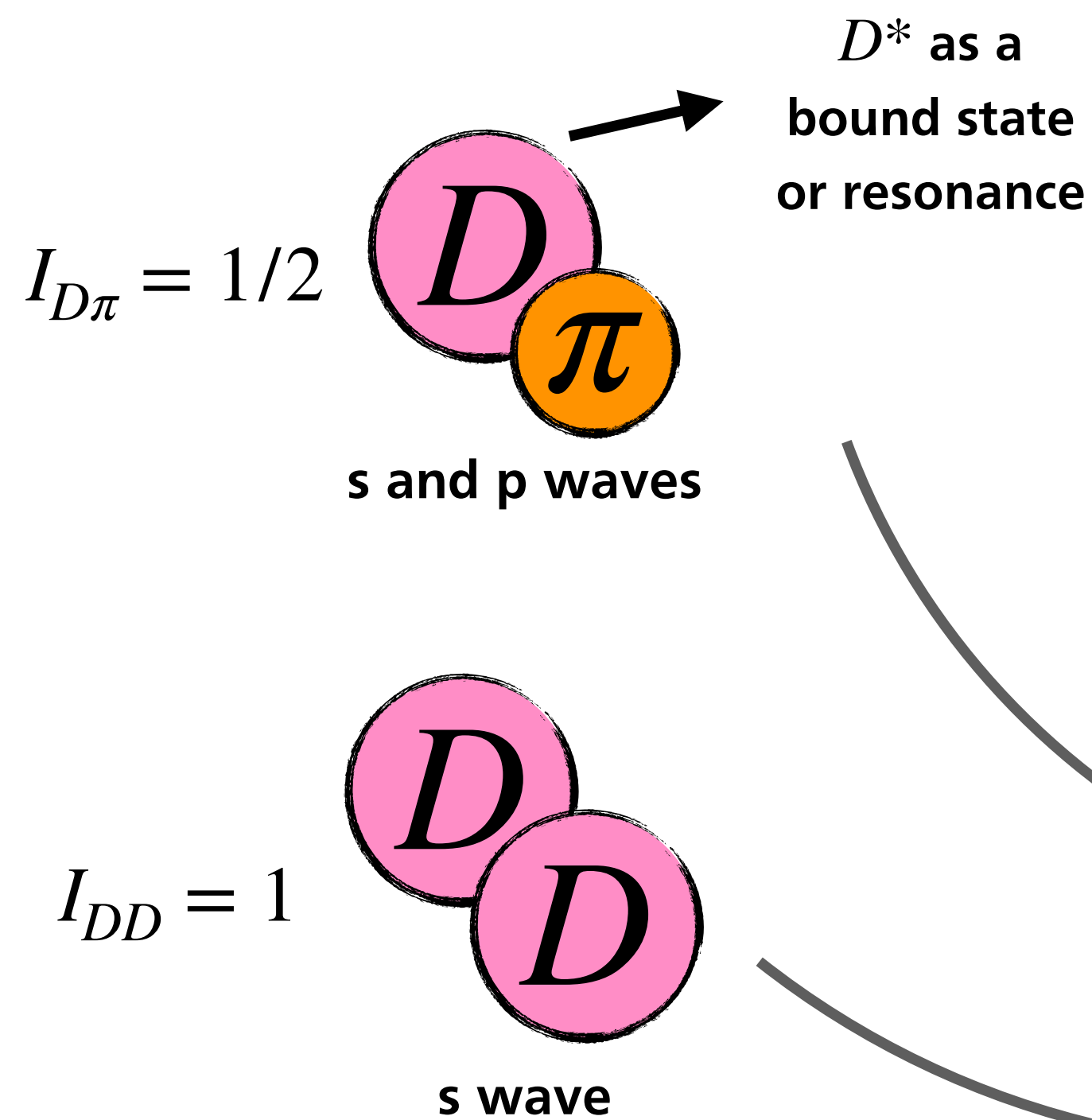
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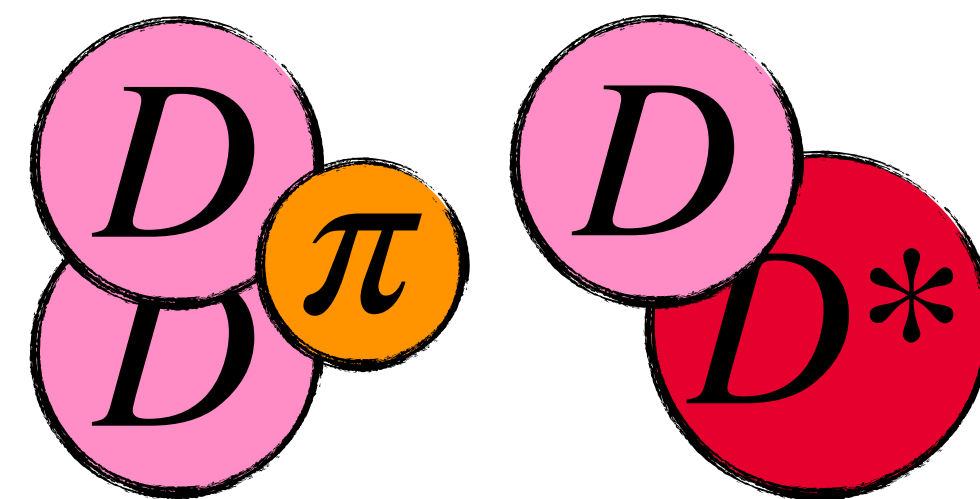
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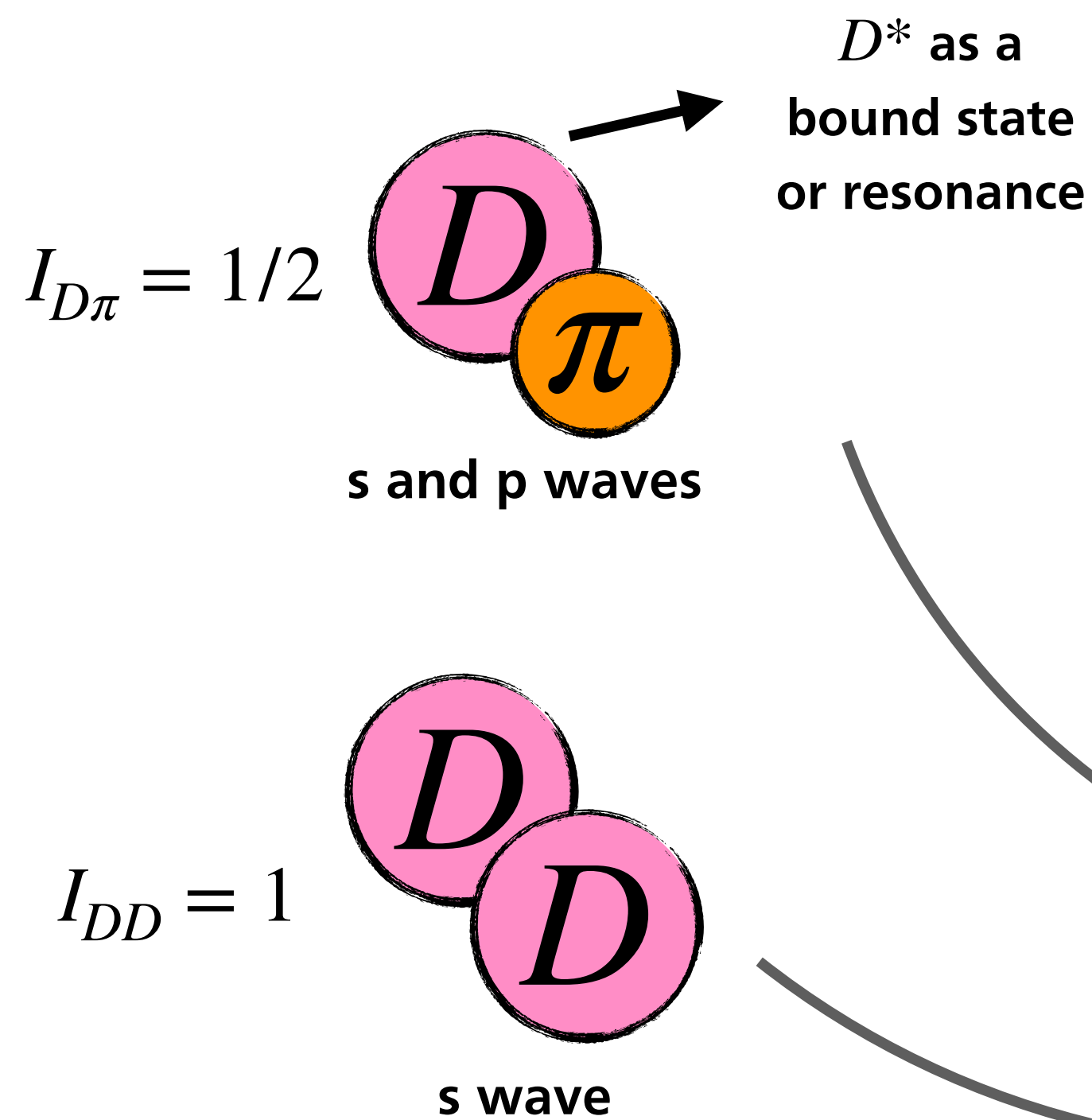
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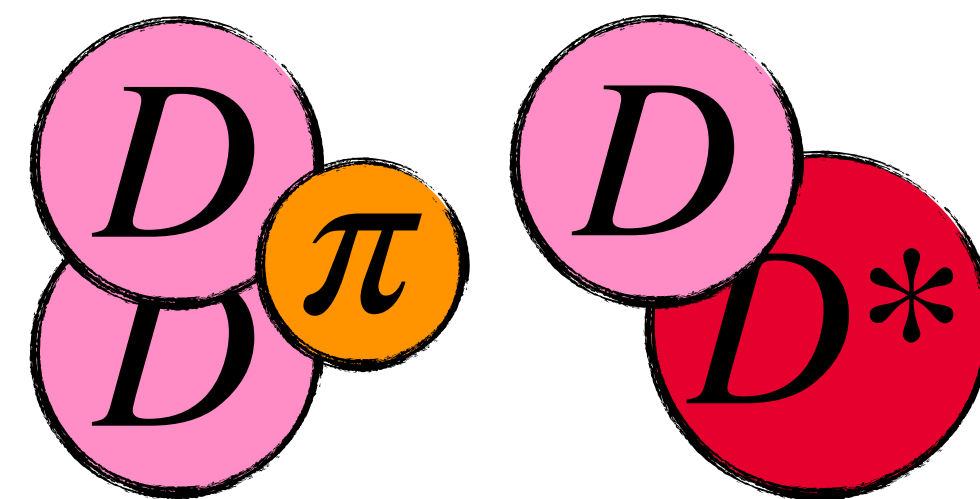
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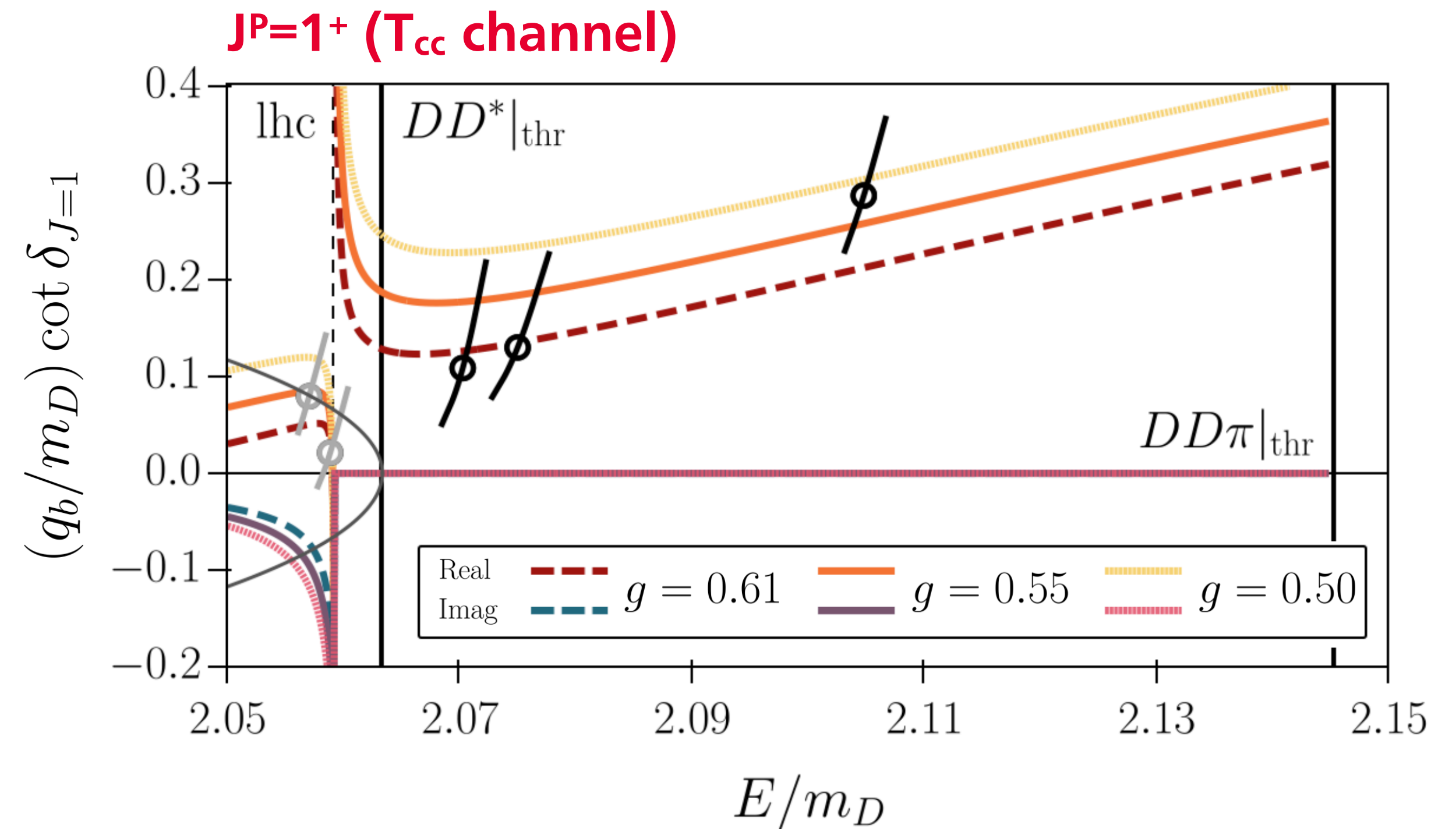
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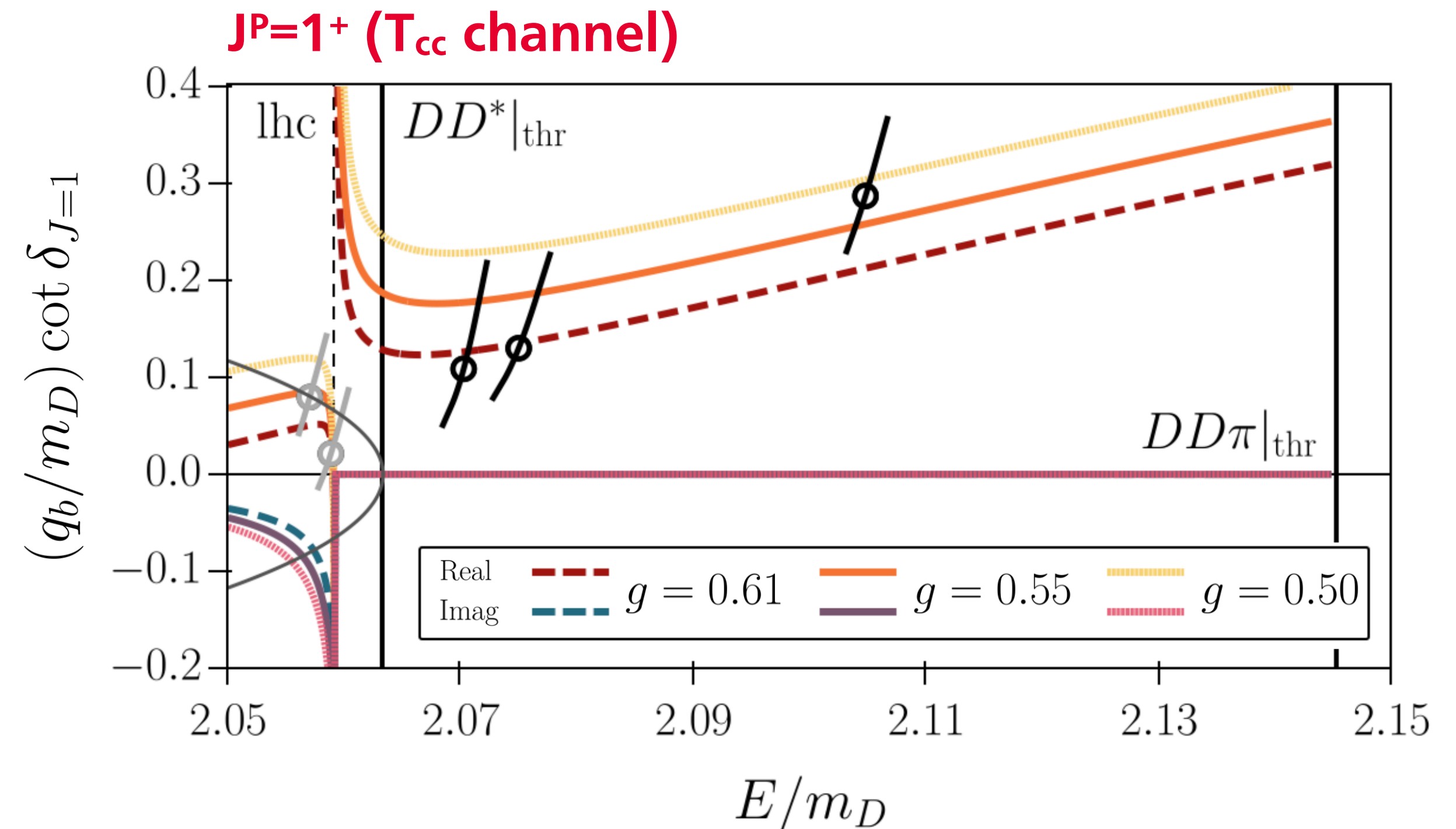


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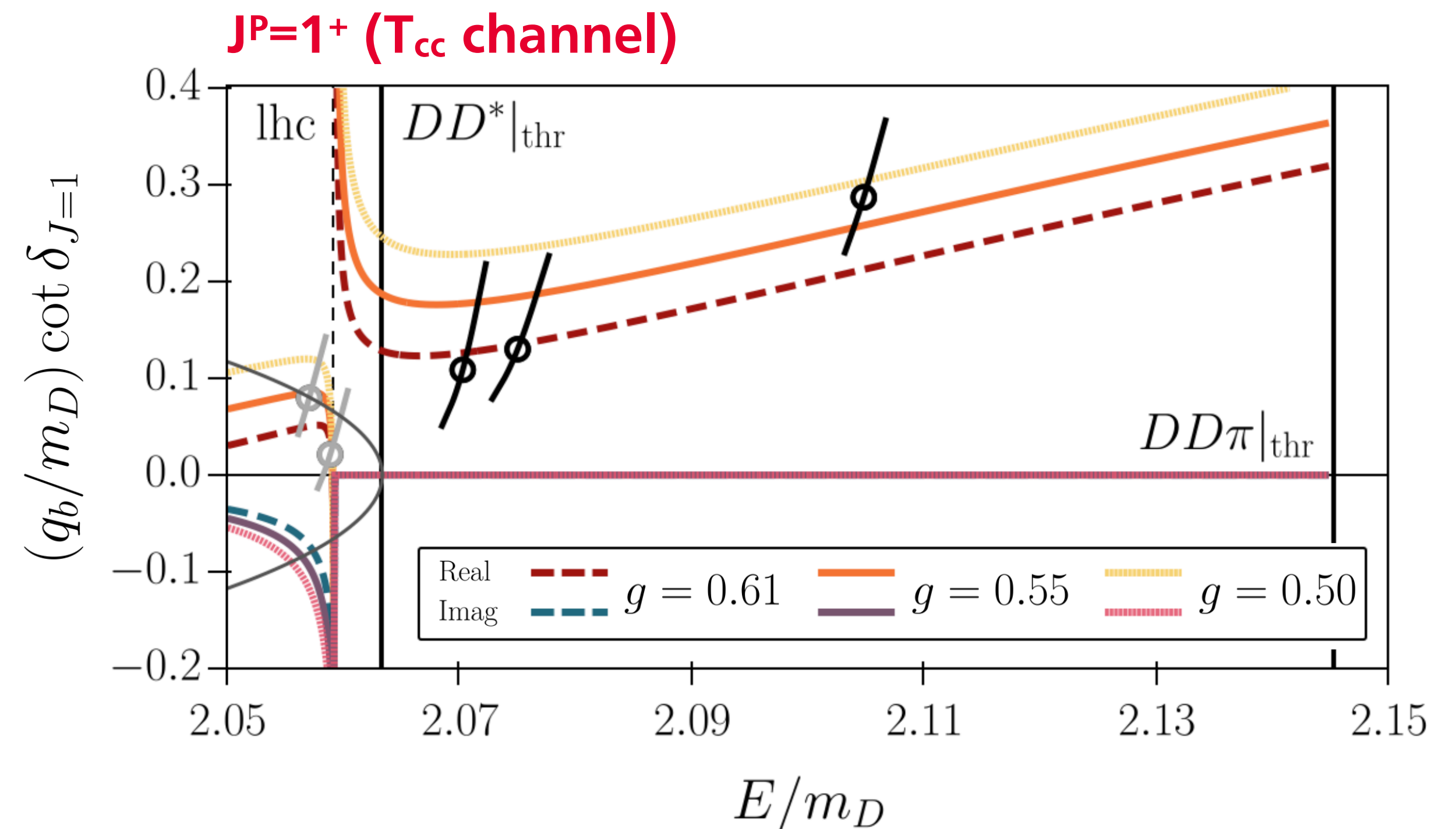
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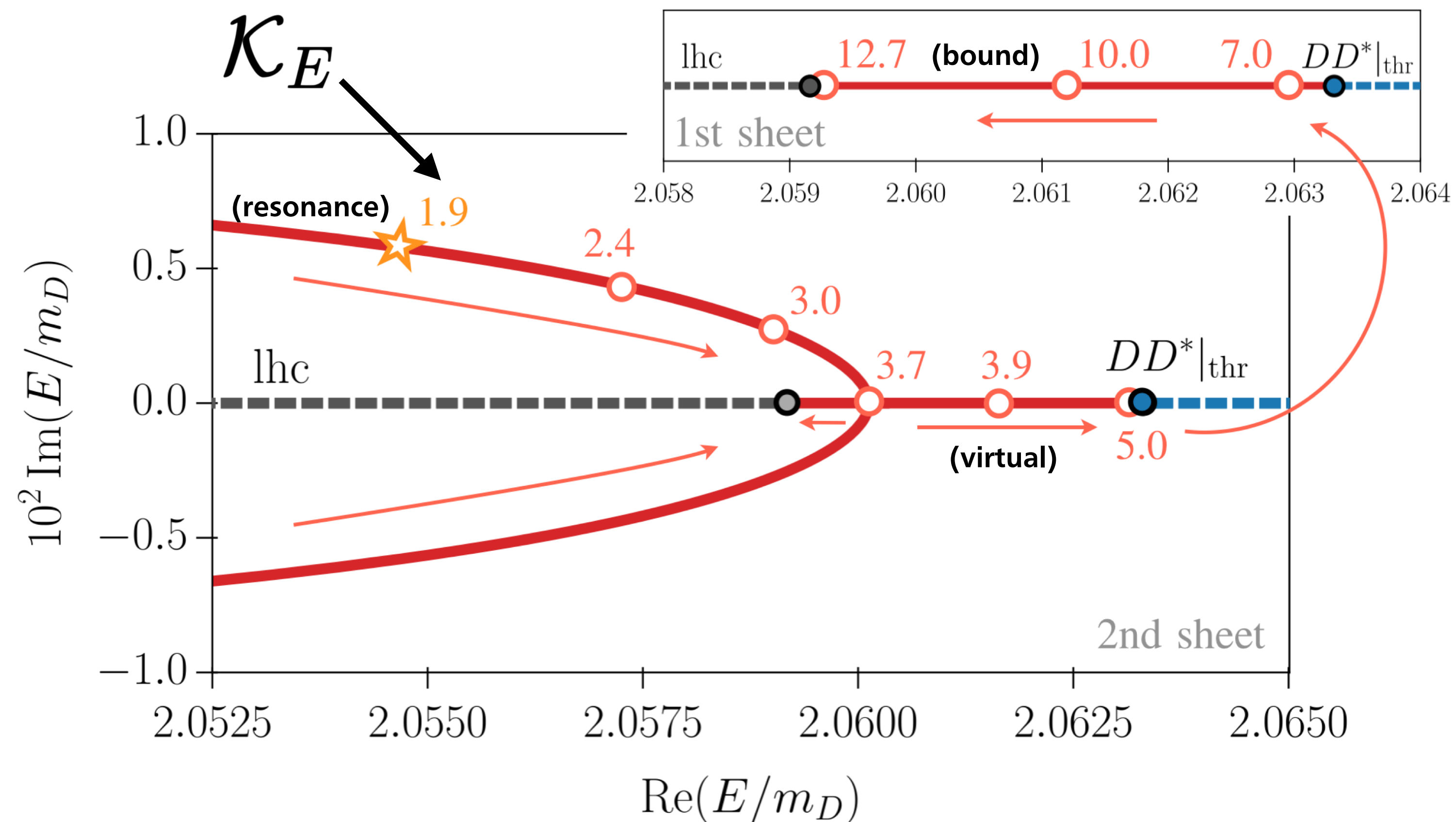
On-going efforts:

[Ortiz-Pacheco et al, 2312.13411 LAT23]
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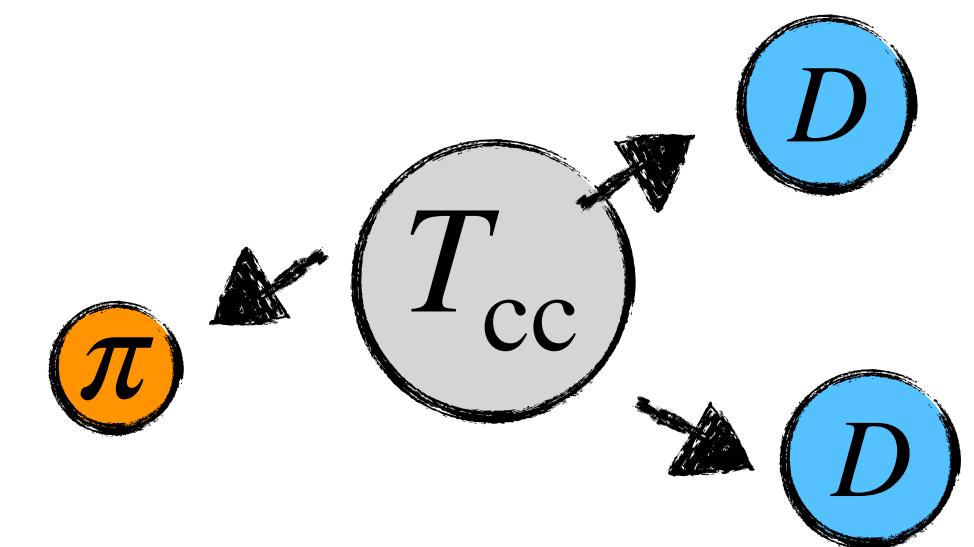
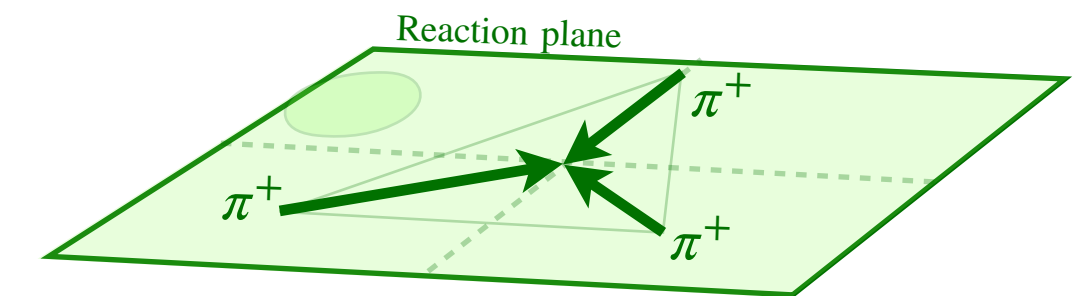
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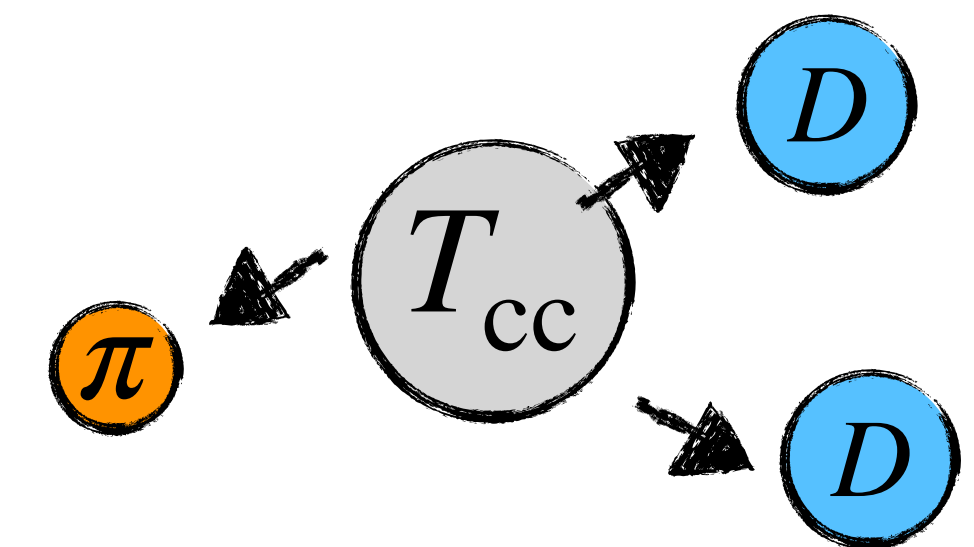
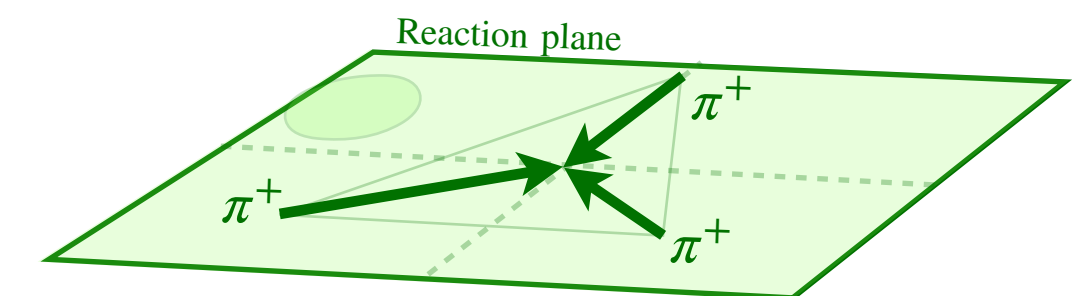
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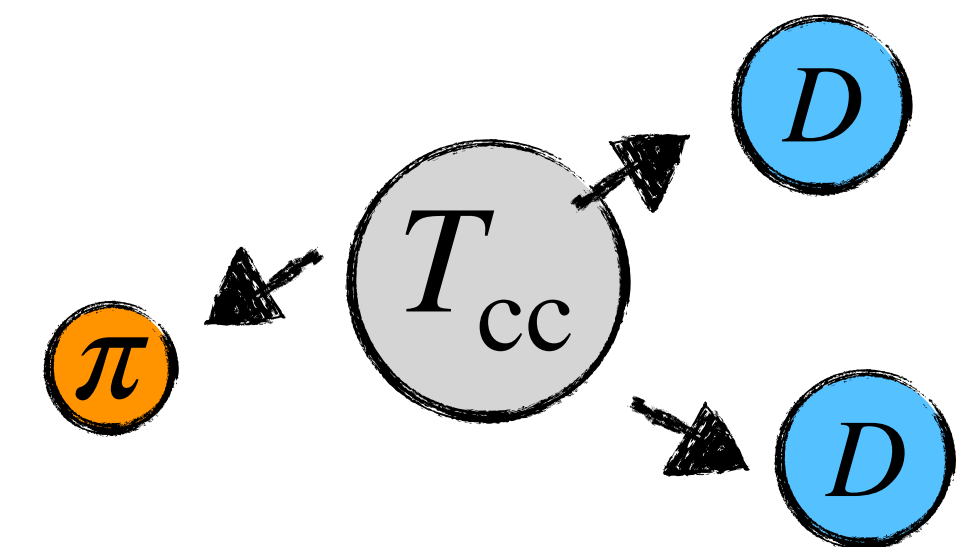
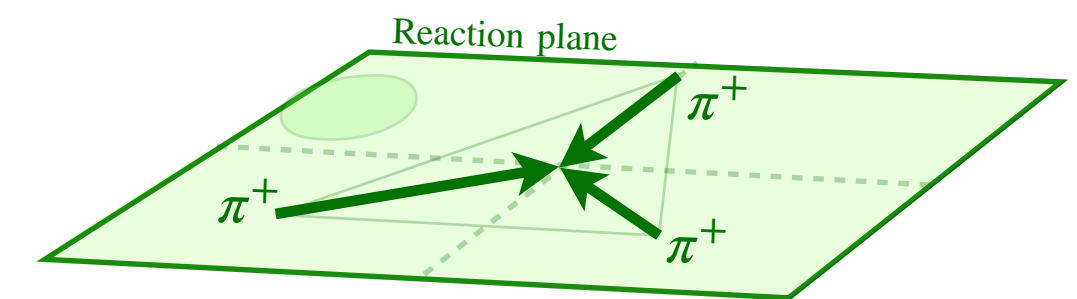
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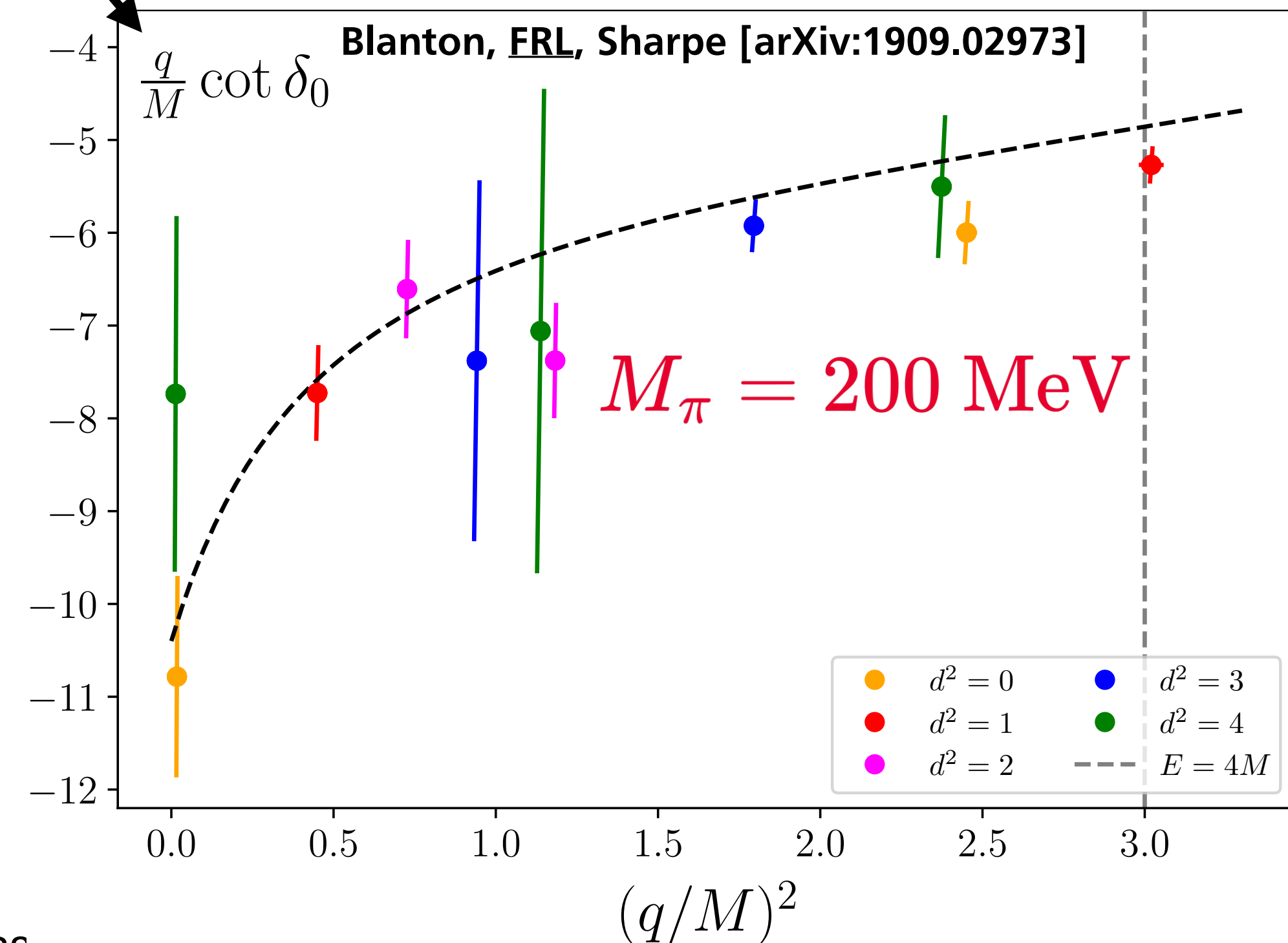
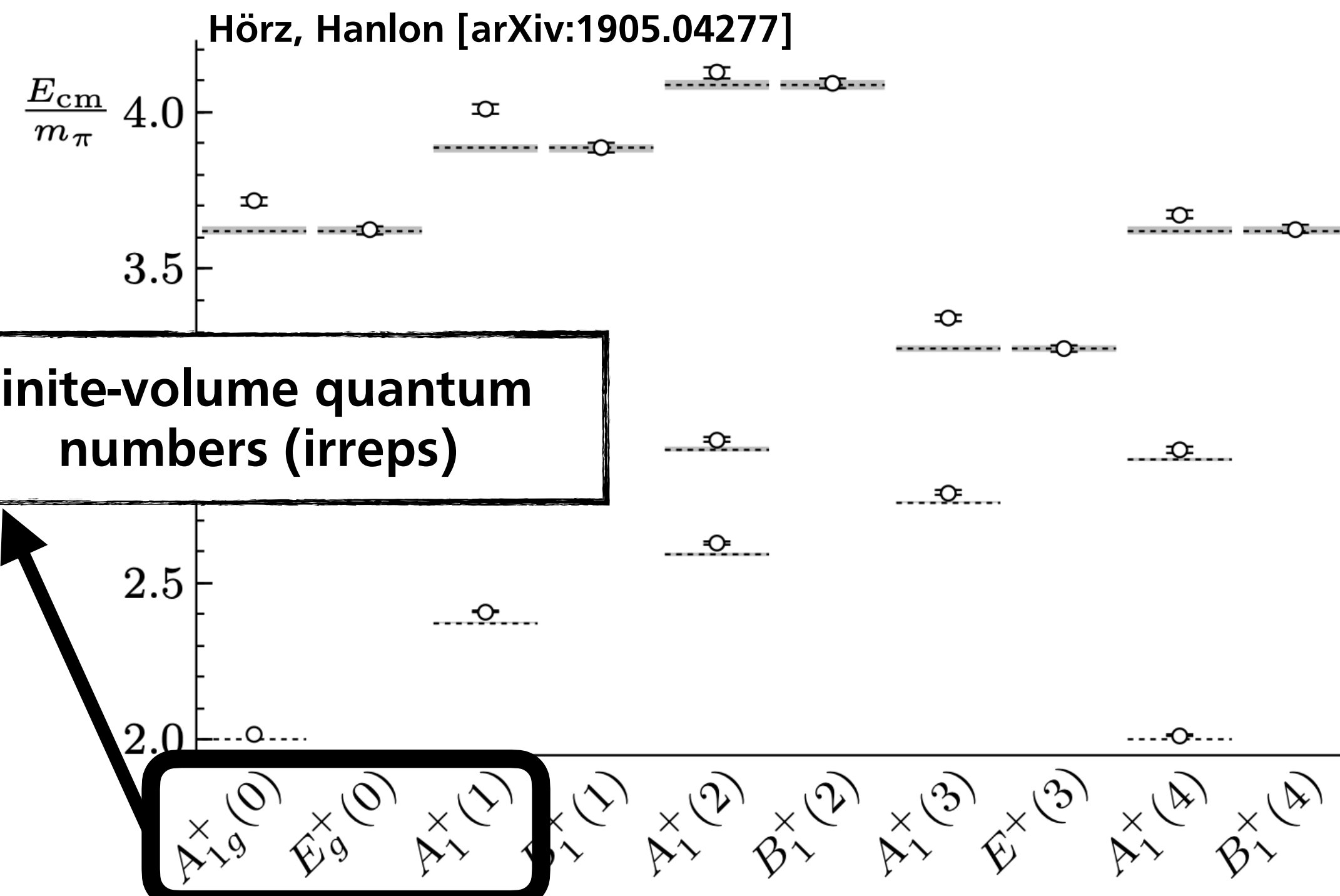
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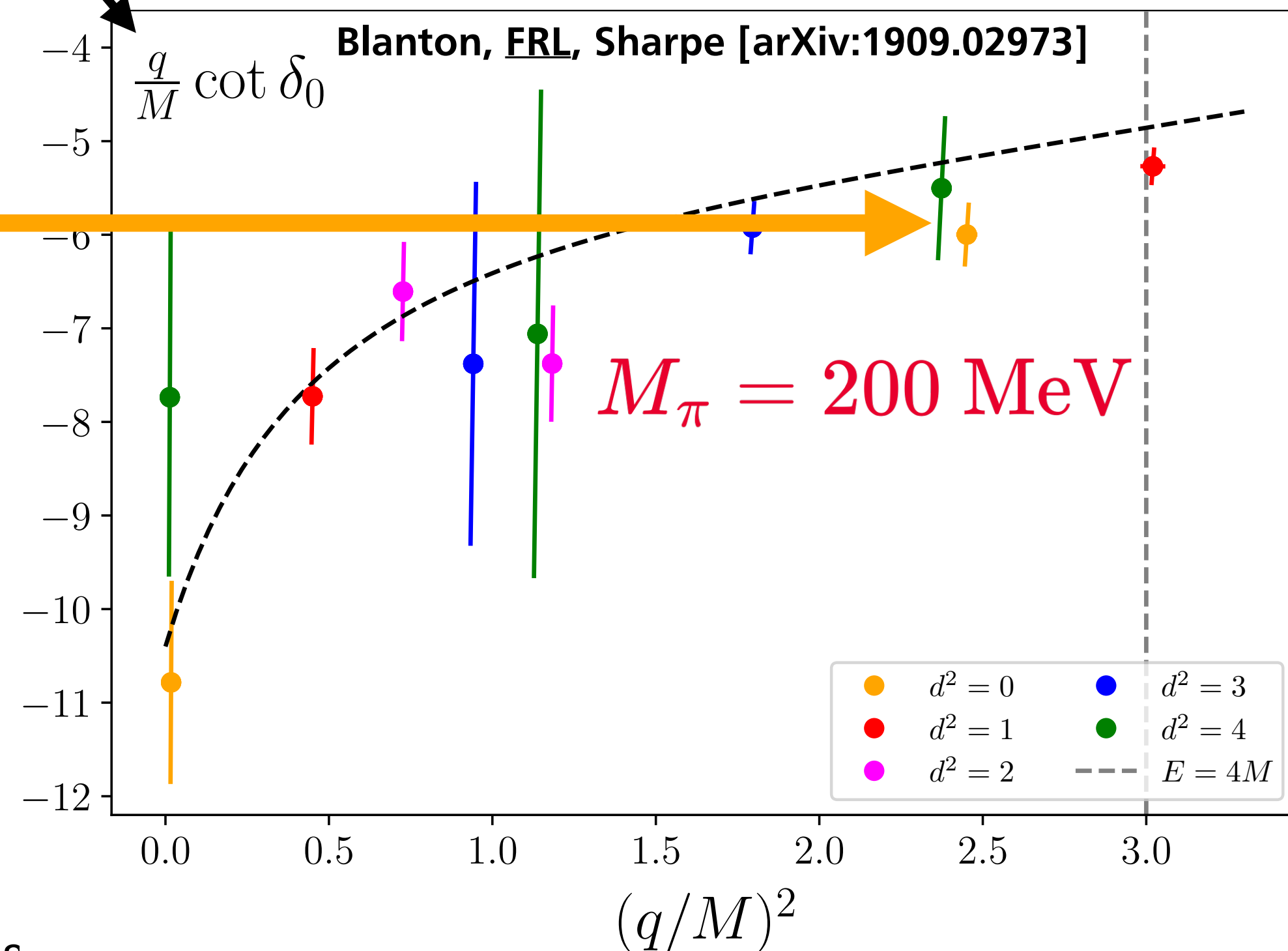
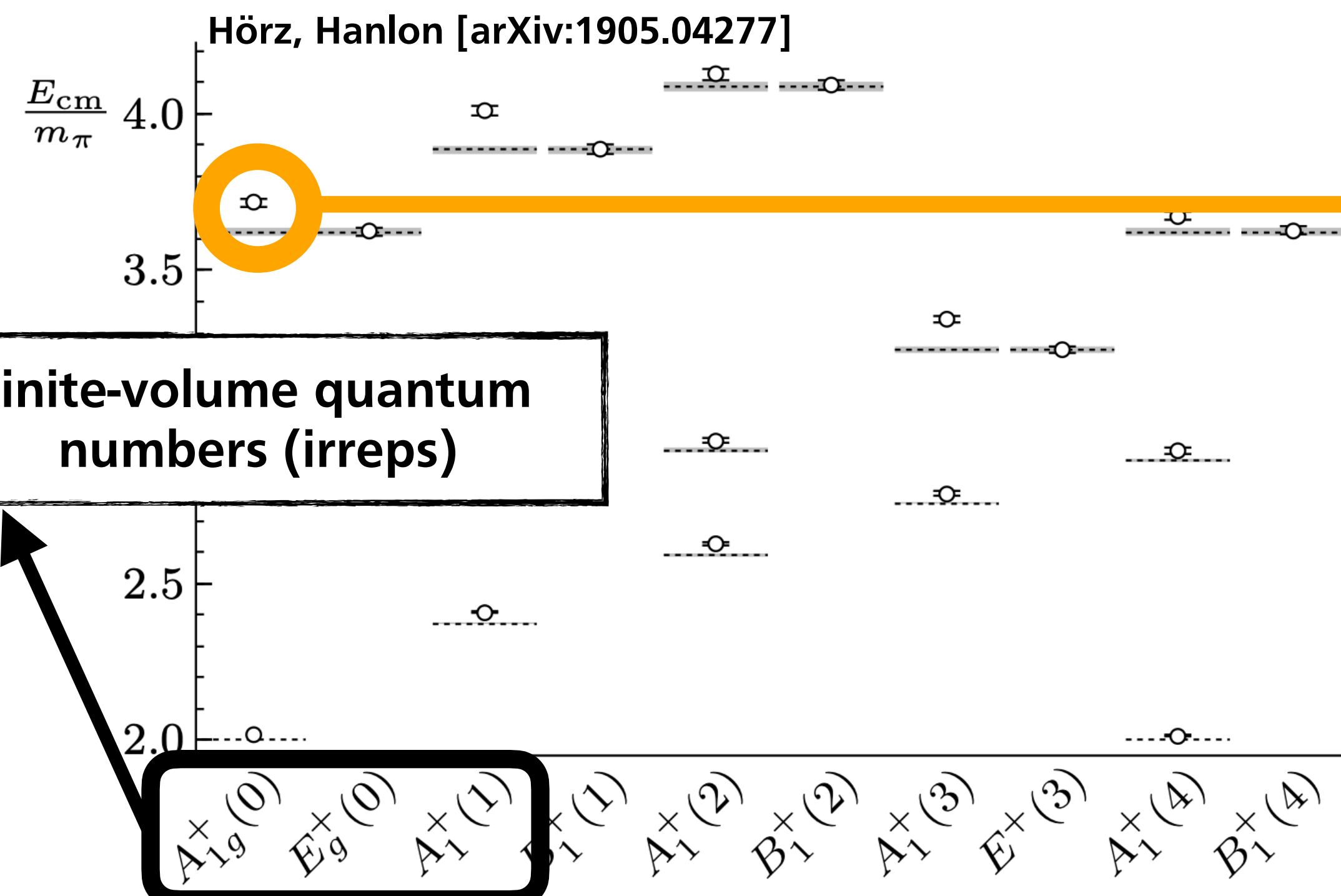
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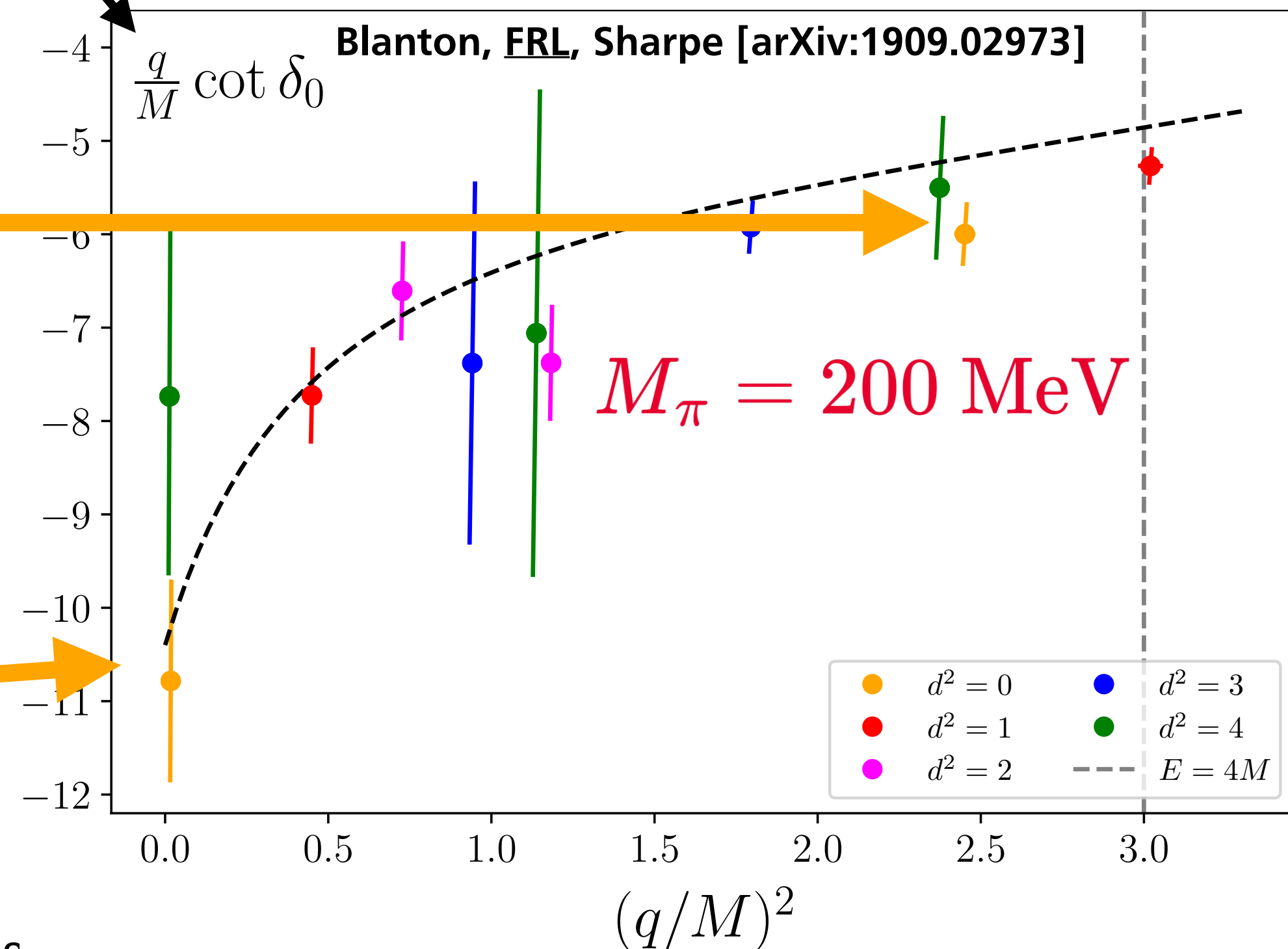
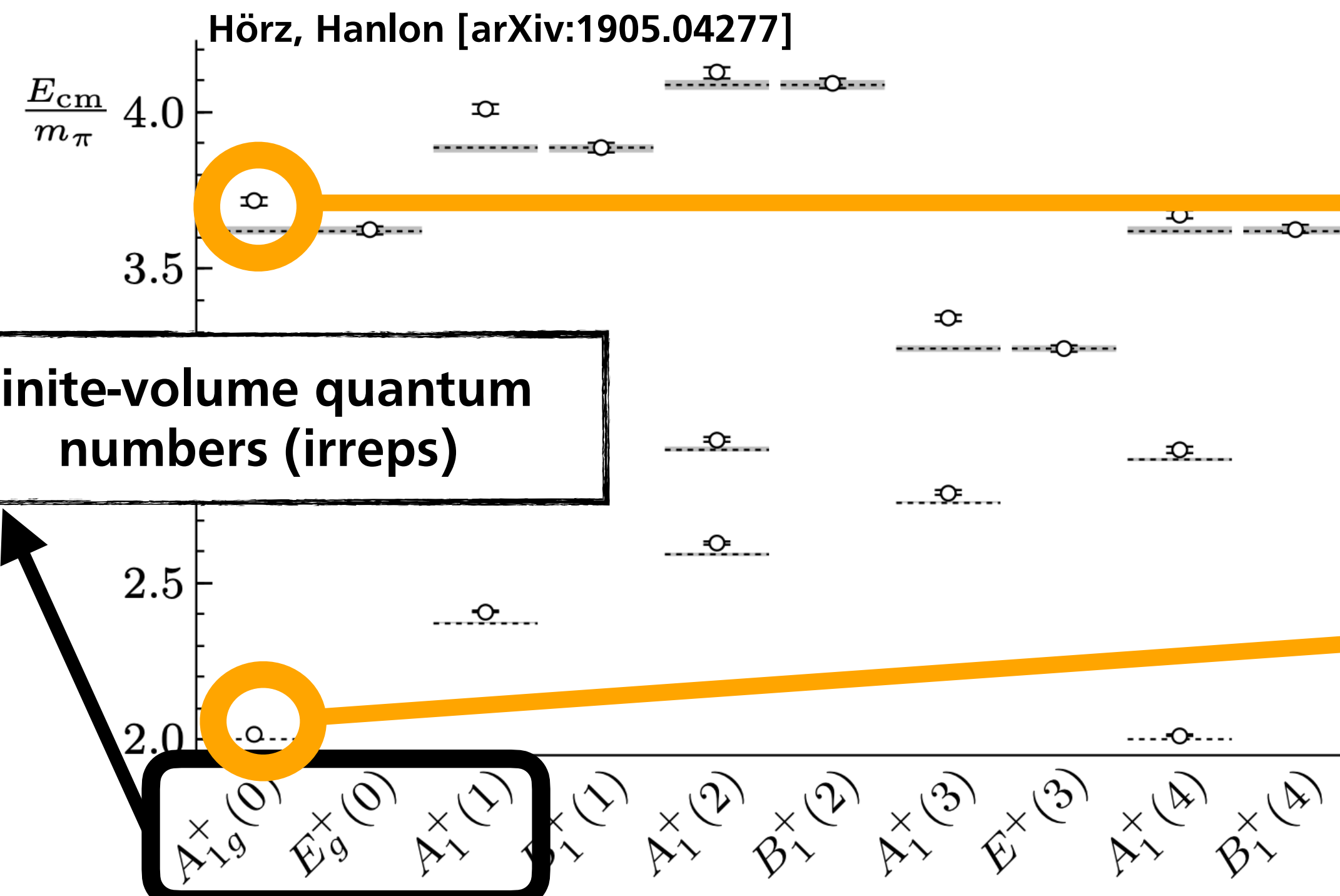
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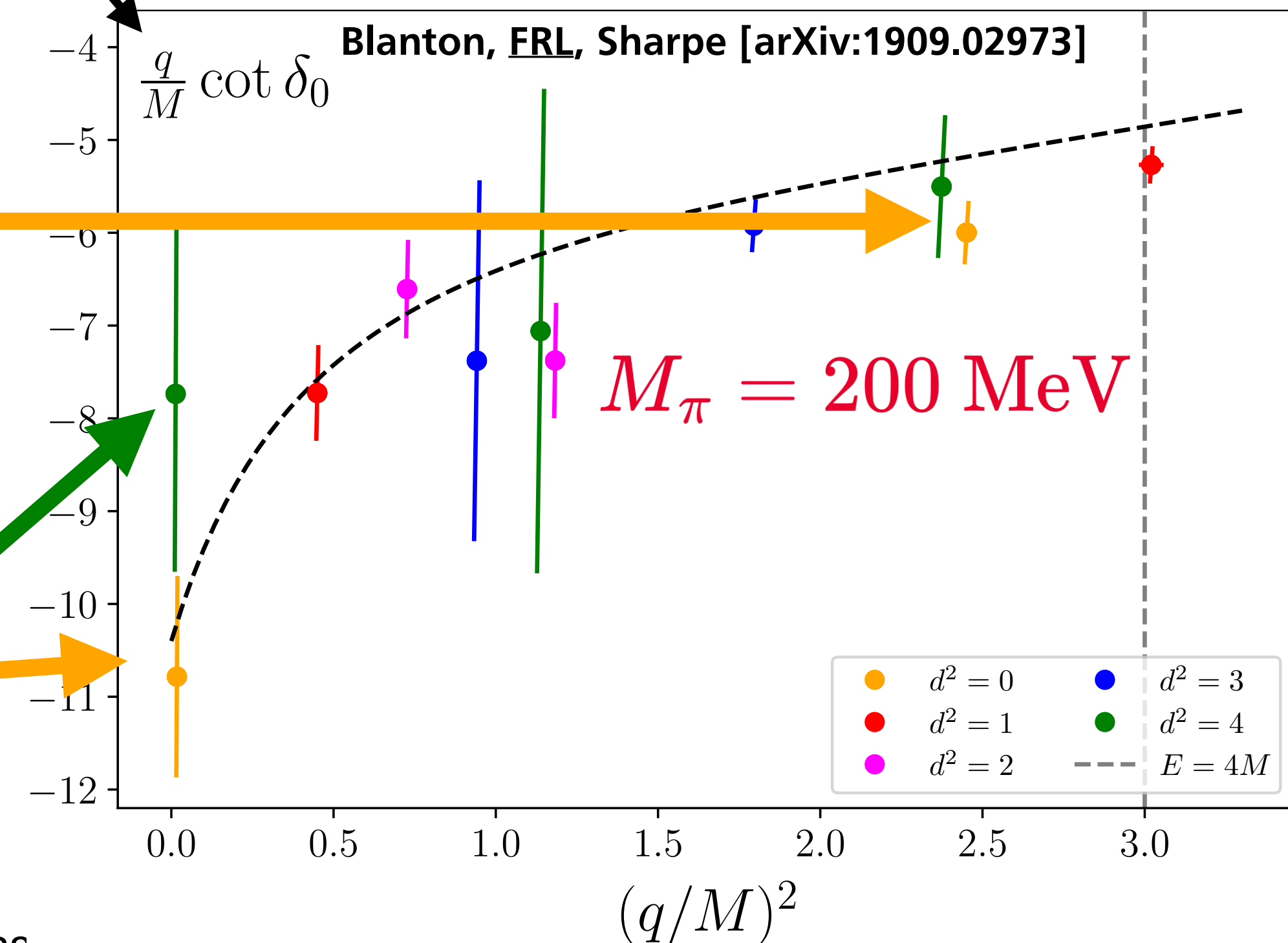
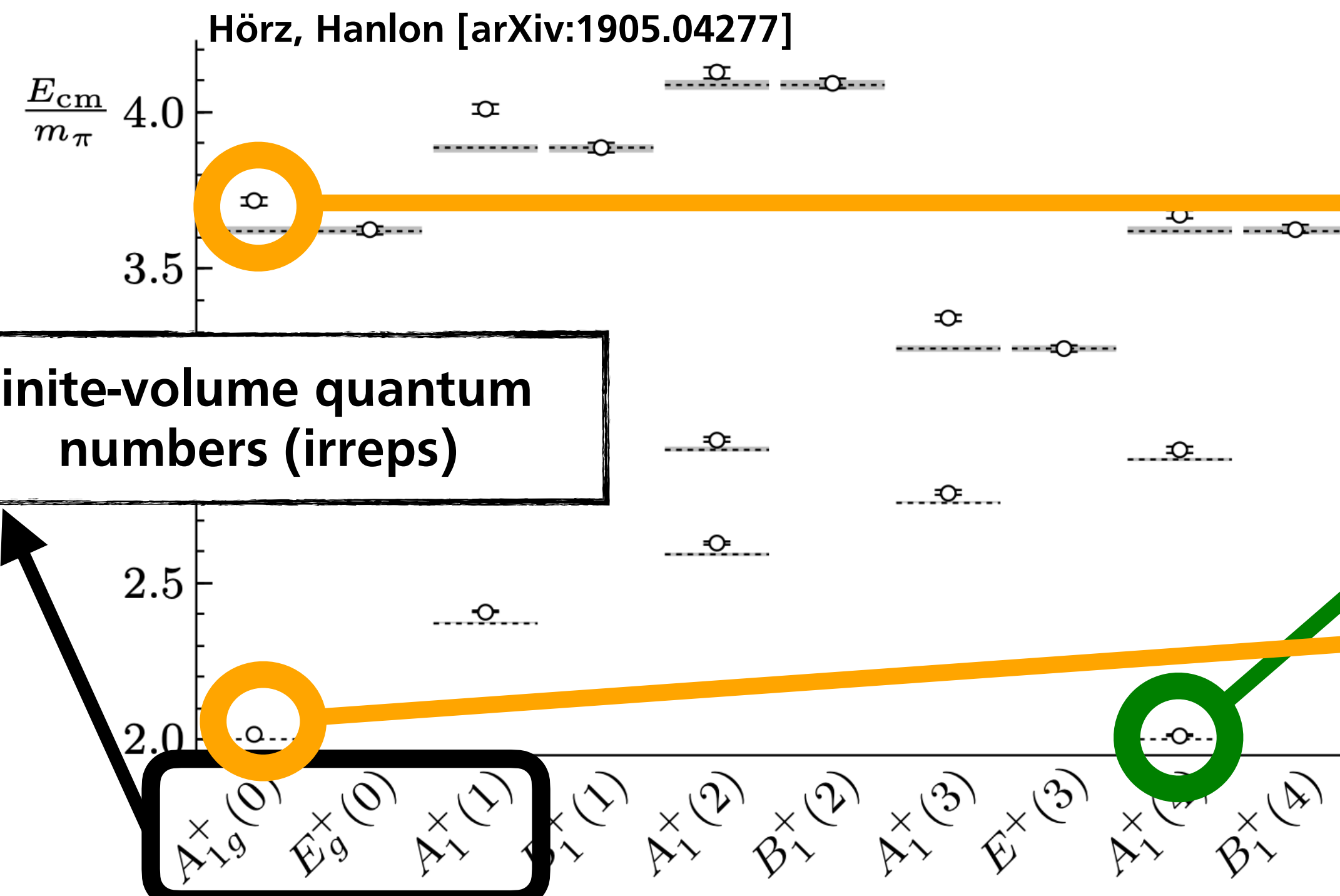
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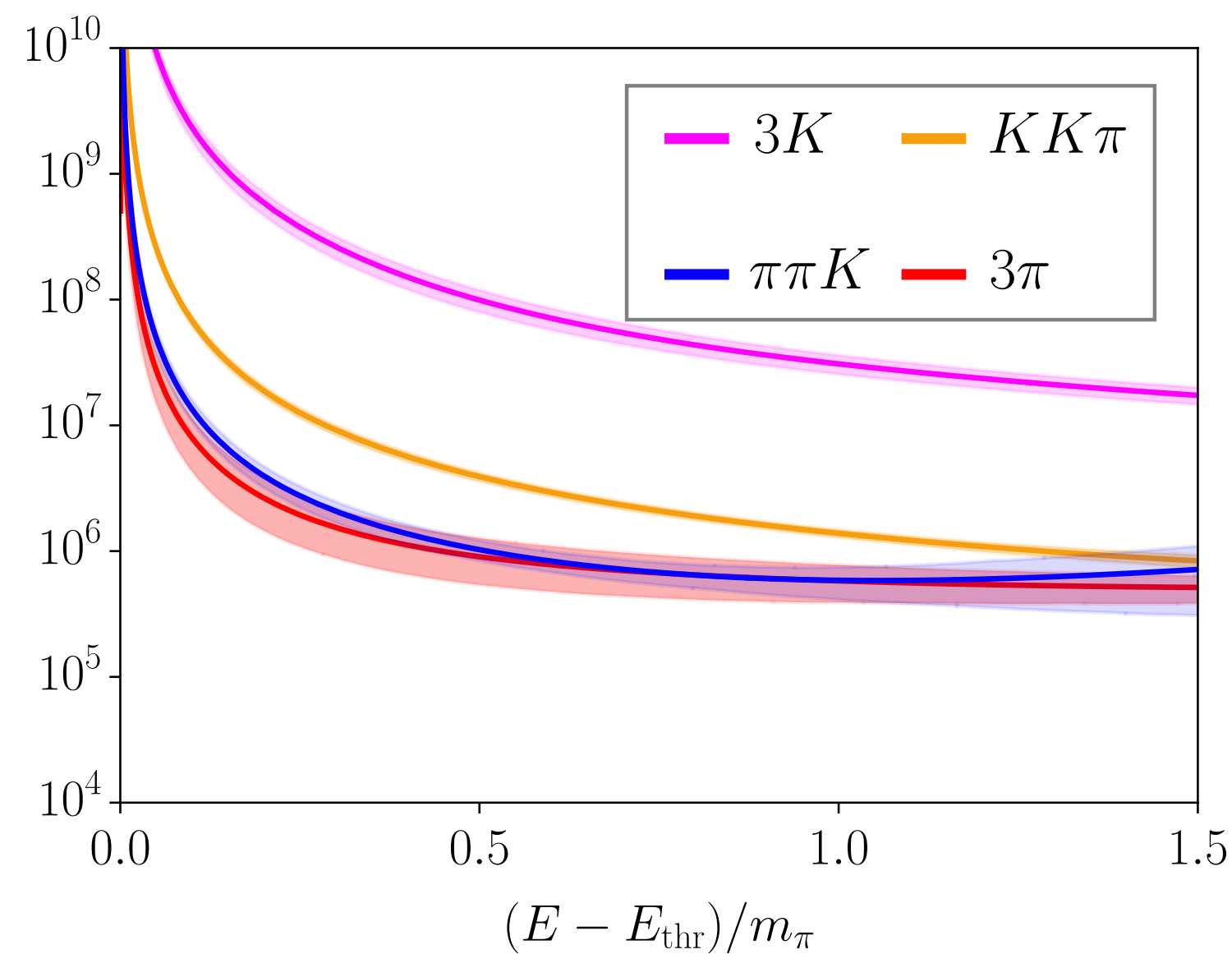
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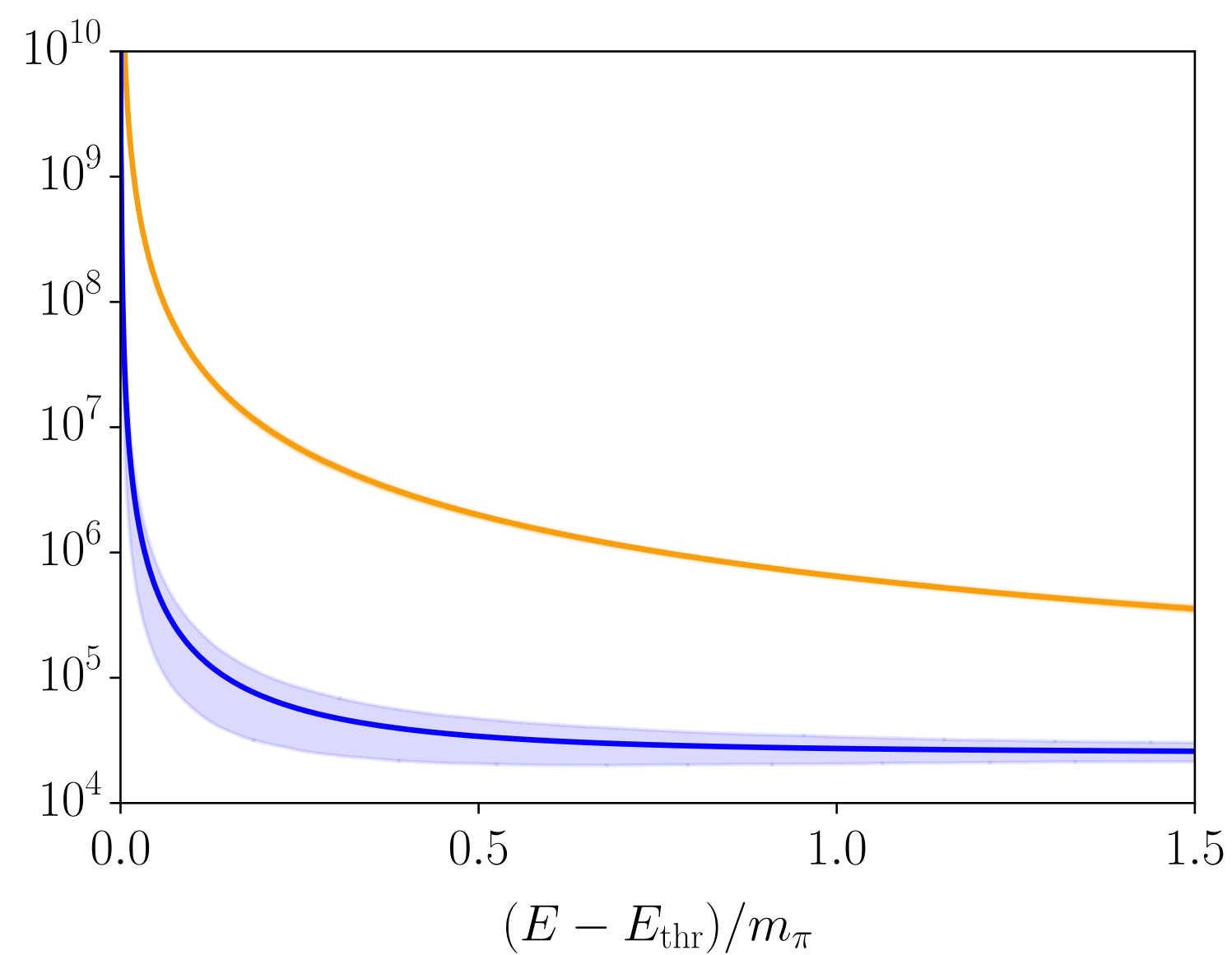


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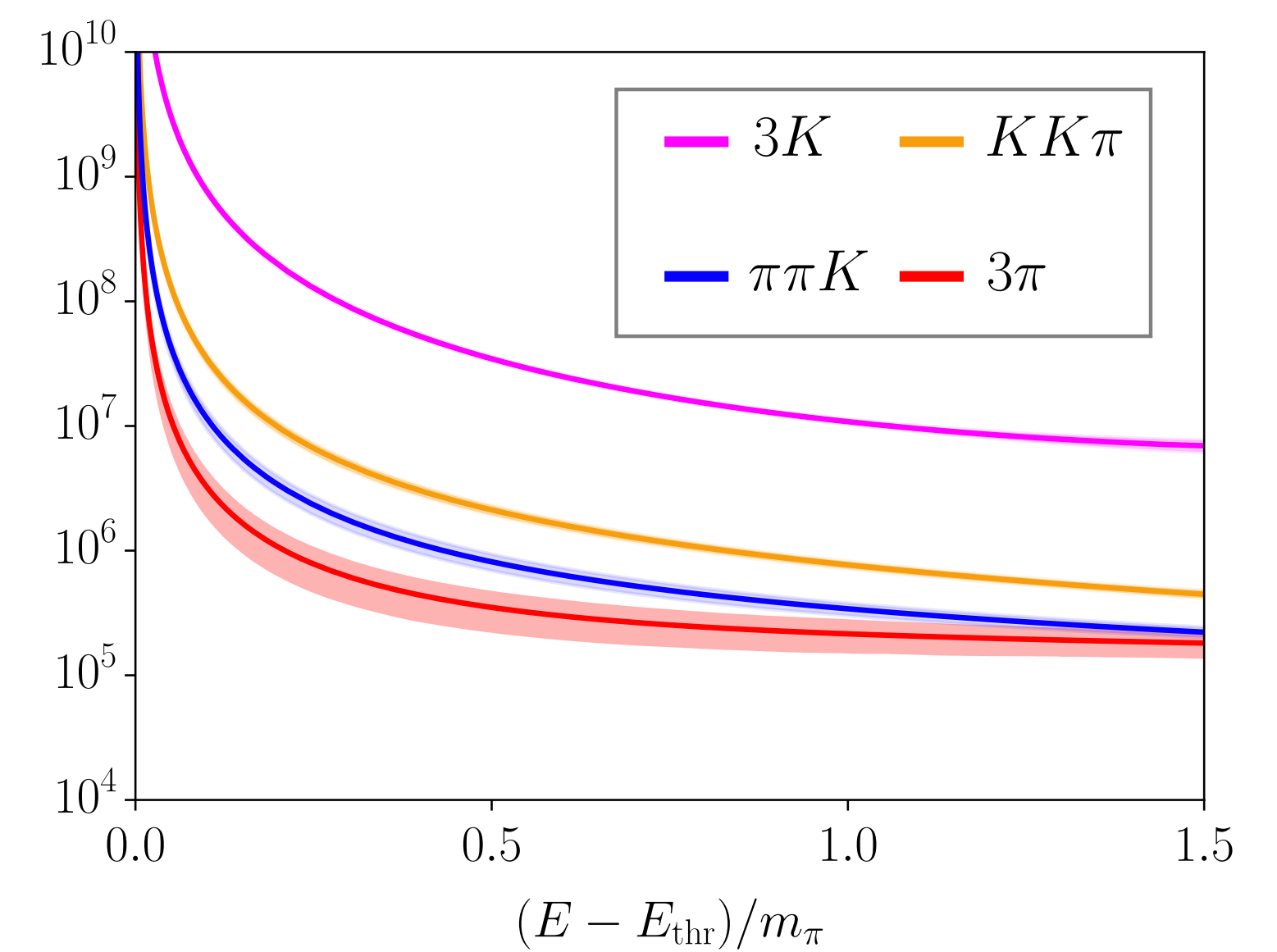
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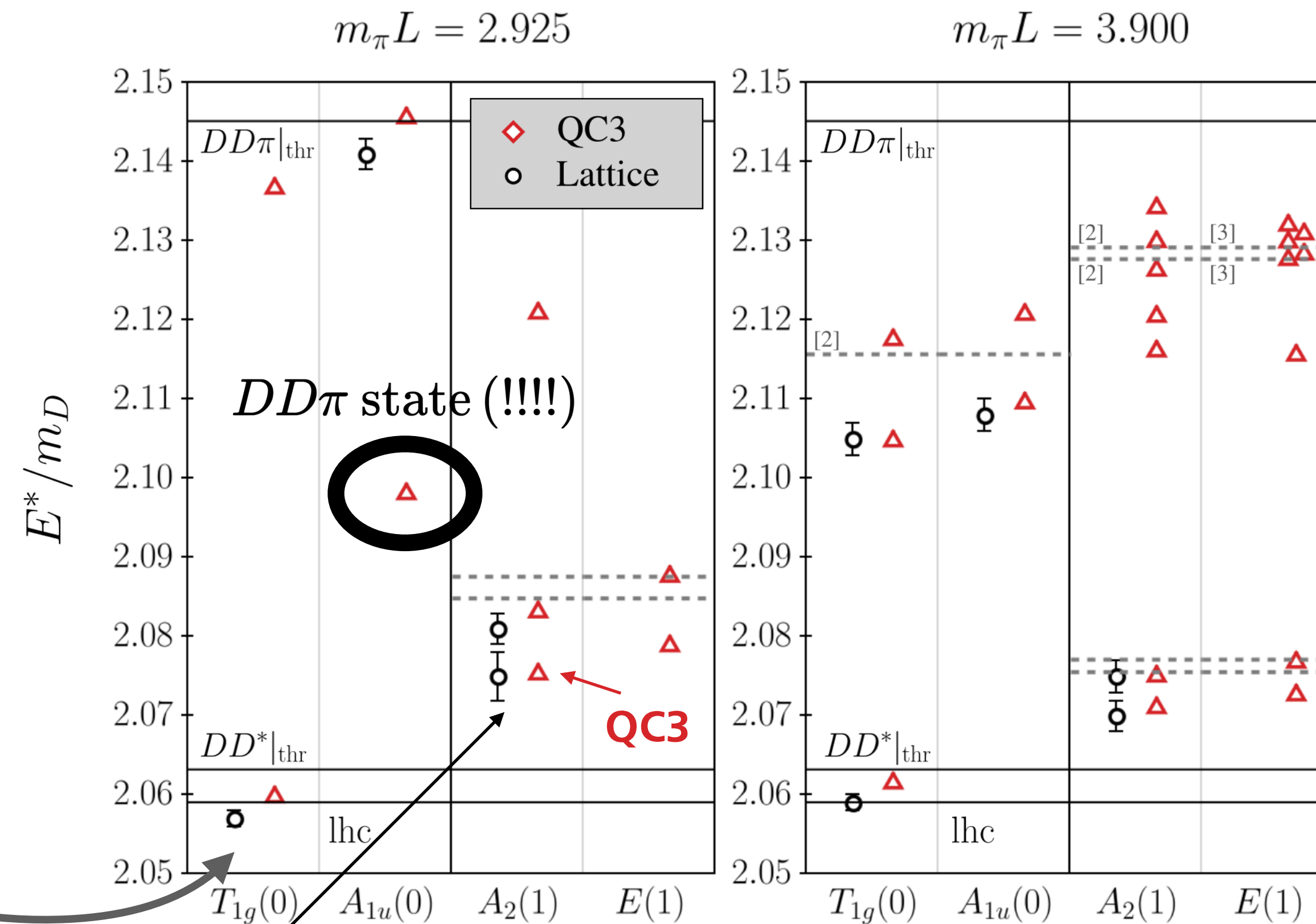


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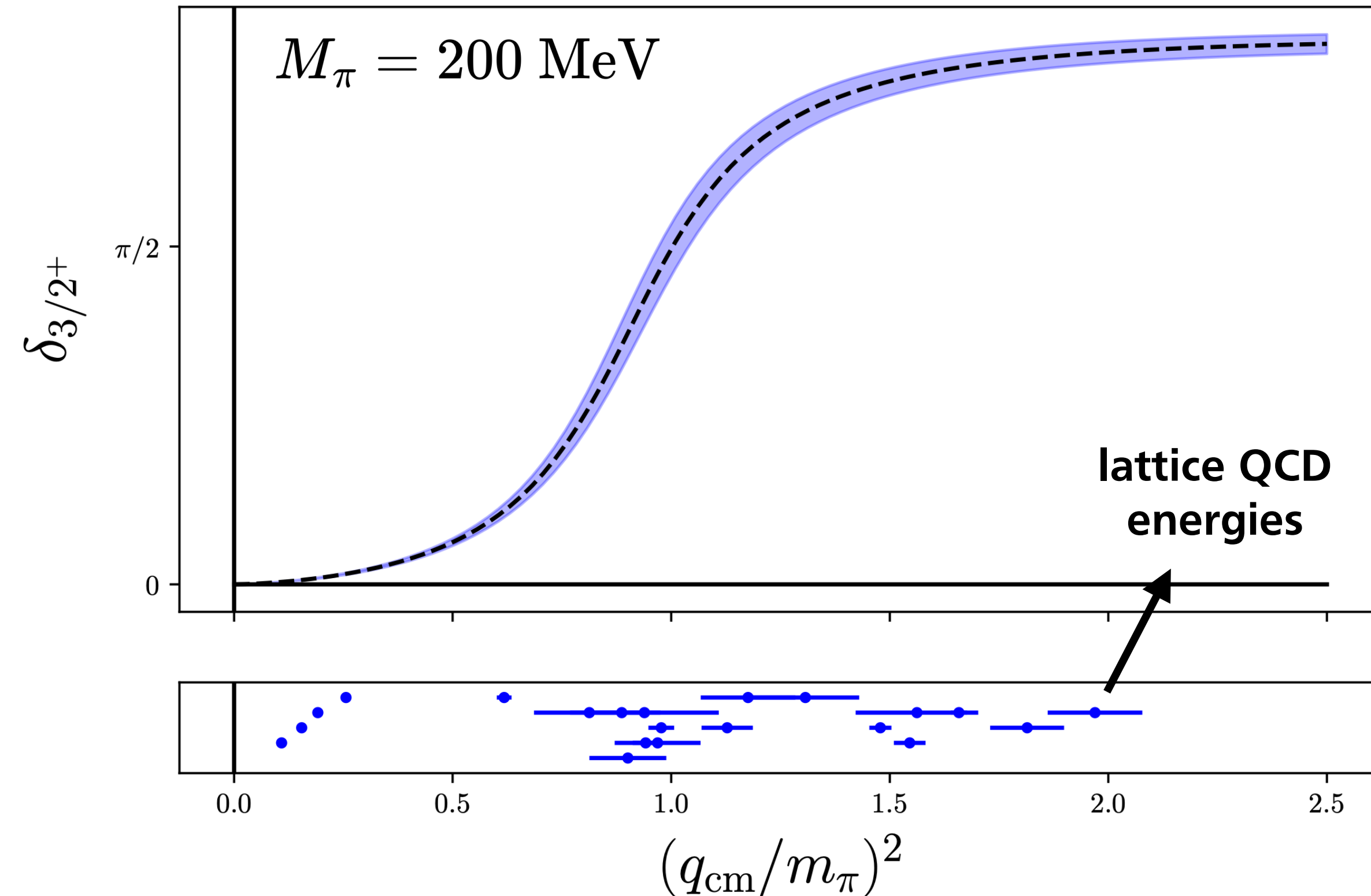
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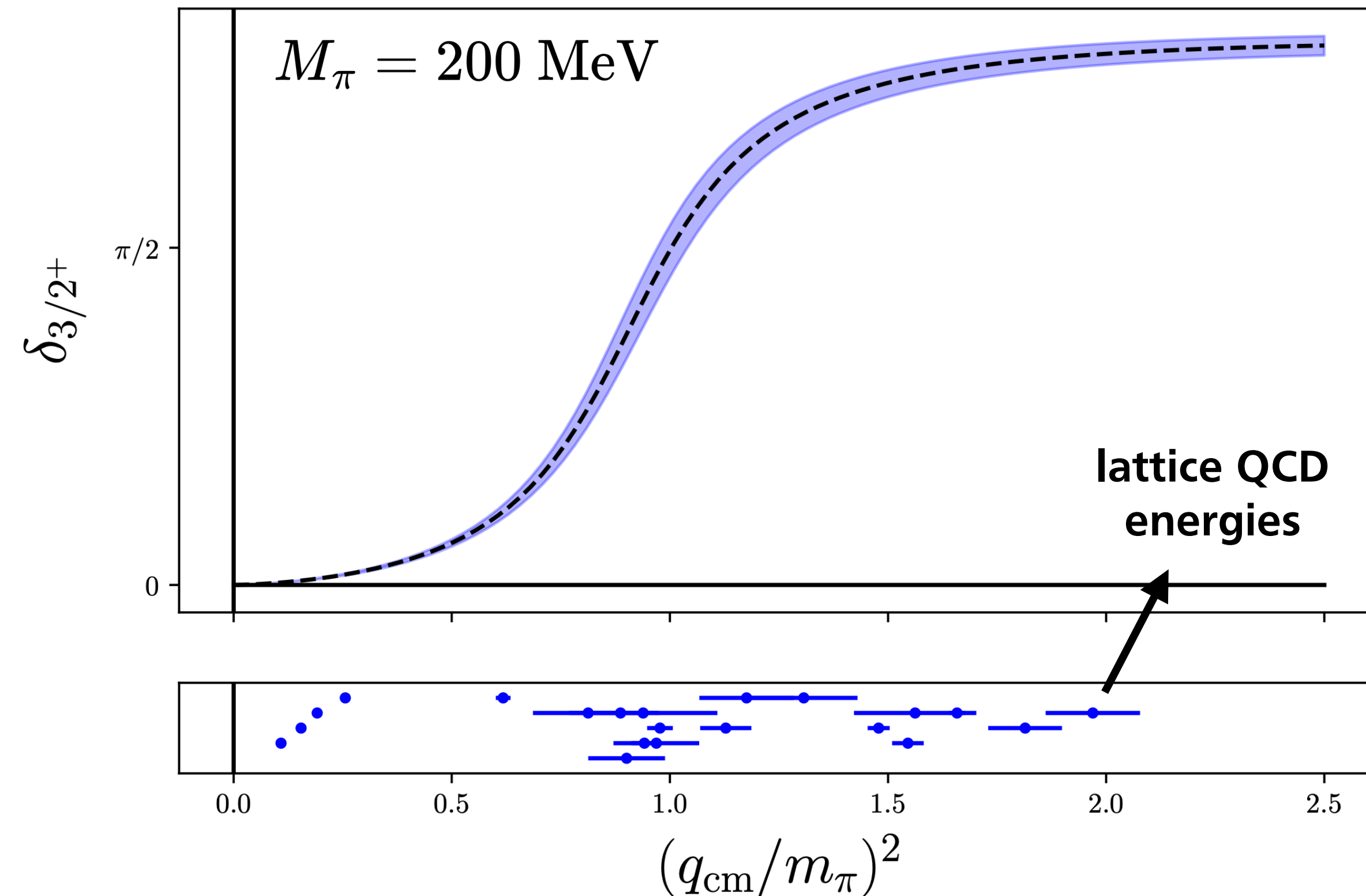
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