

Three-pion scattering from lattice QCD



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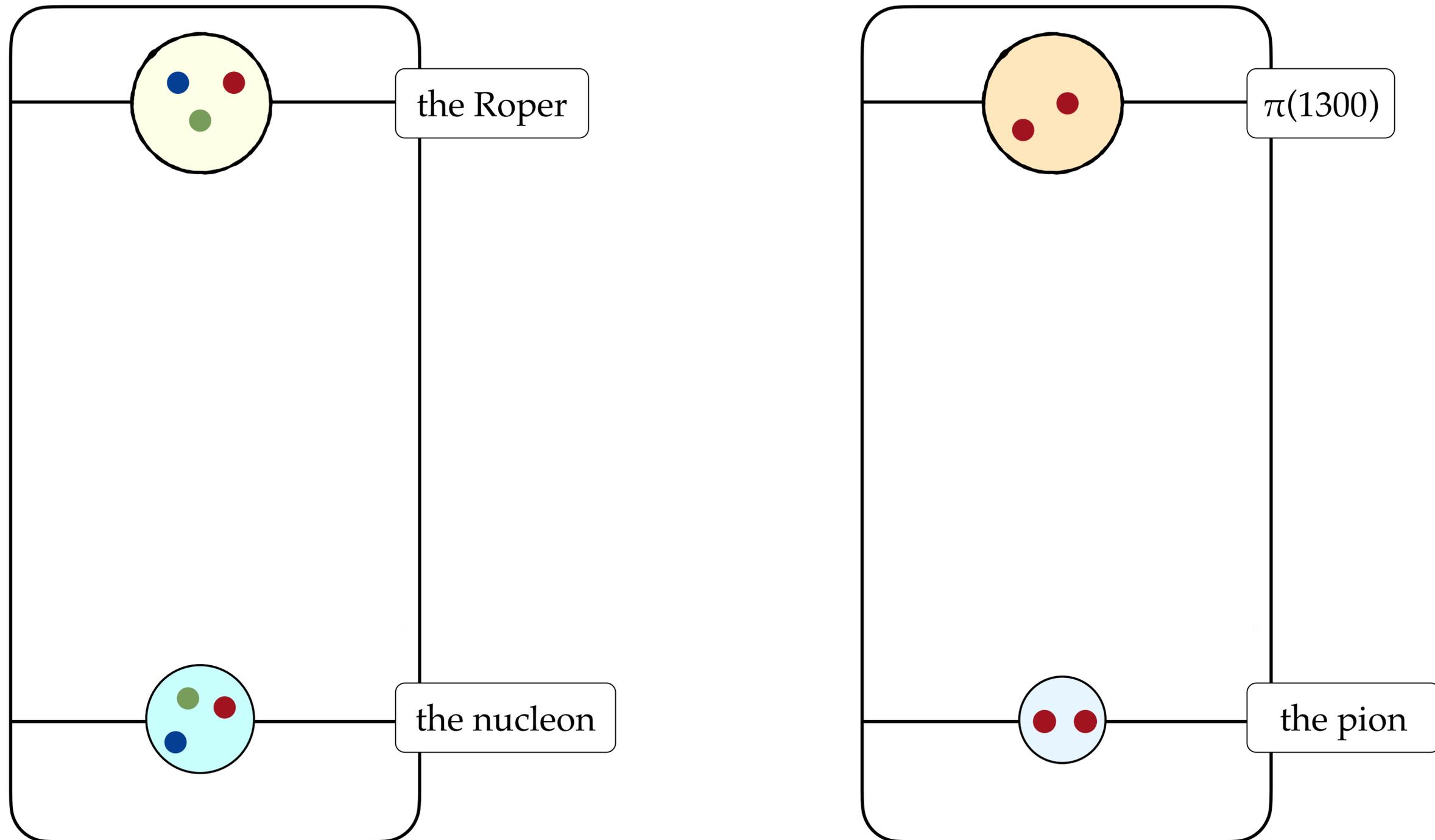
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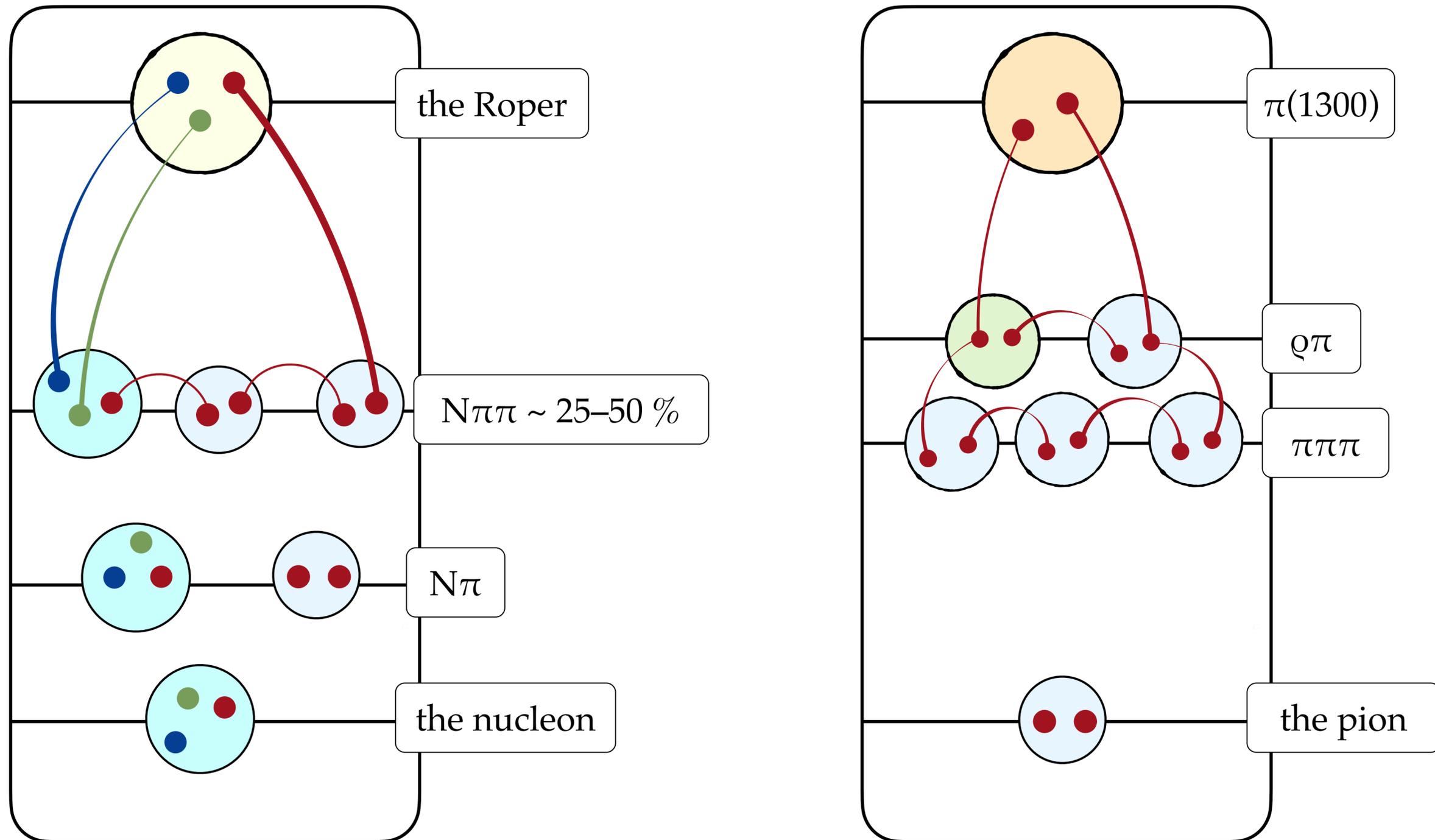
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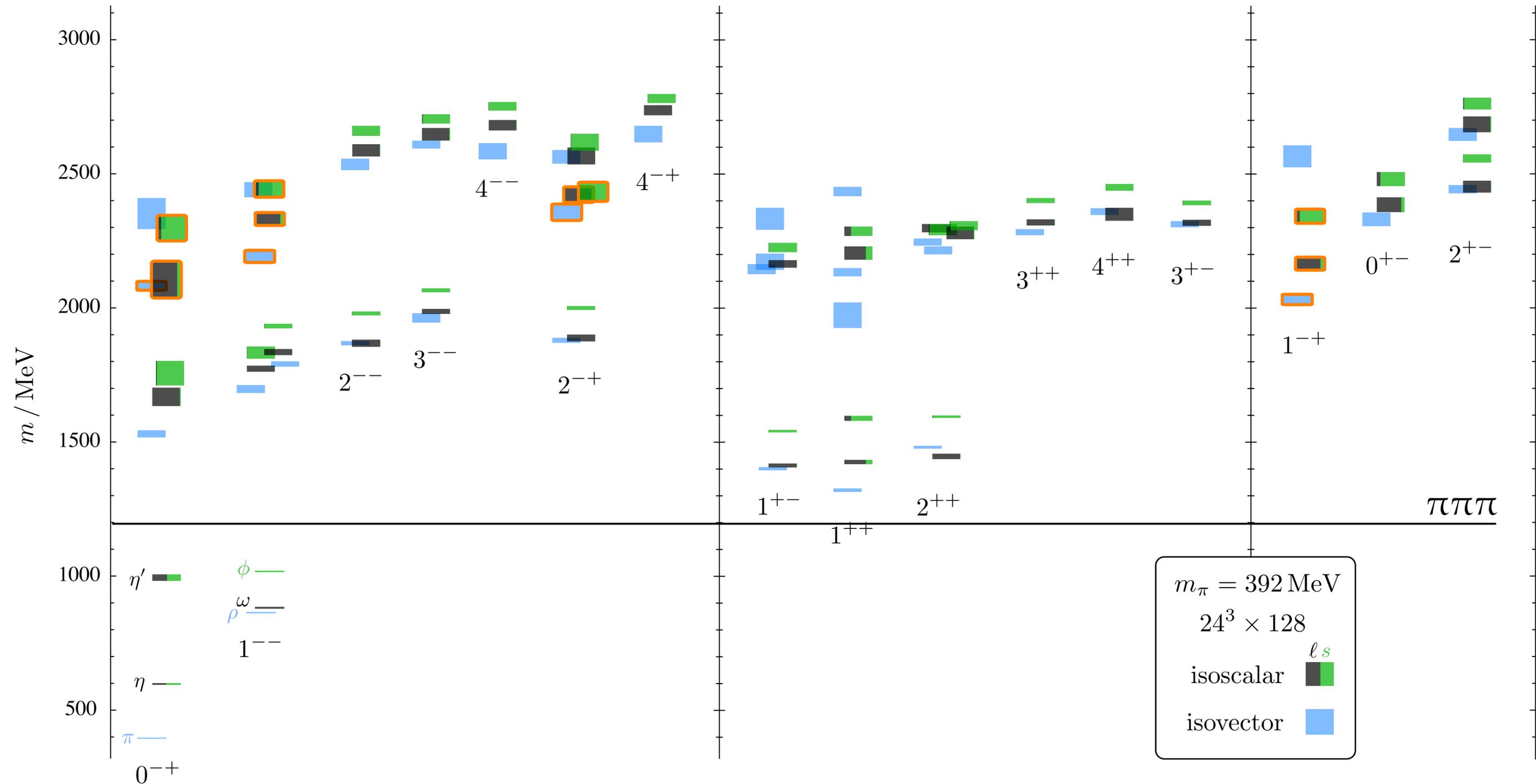
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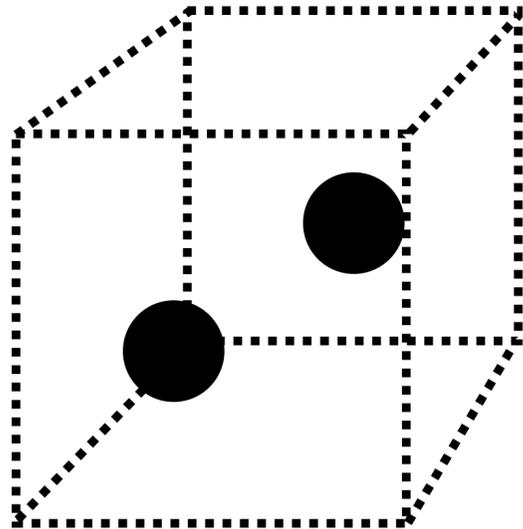


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How does the three-body problem manifest itself in lattice QCD?



Two-hadron systems

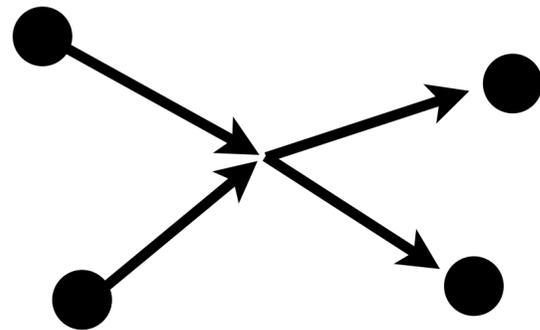


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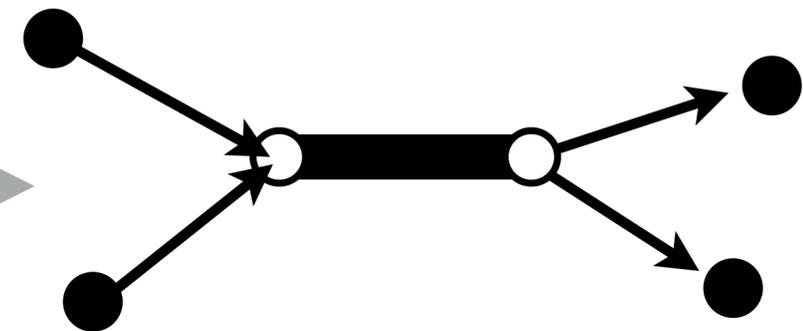
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Lüscher (1986, 1991)
Rummukainen & Gottlieb (1995)
Kim, Sachrajda, & Sharpe (2005)
Christ, Kim & Yamazaki (2005)
Feng, Li, & Liu (2004)
Hansen & Sharpe (2021)
RB & Davoudi (2012)
RB (2014)



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bound state and
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2+1 minimum requirements

Two “musts” for few-body systems:

☑ Generalized eigenvalue problem (GEVP),

☑ large basis of ops,

$$\mathcal{O}_b \sim \bar{q} \Gamma_b q, \pi\pi, K\bar{K}, \dots, 3\pi, \dots$$

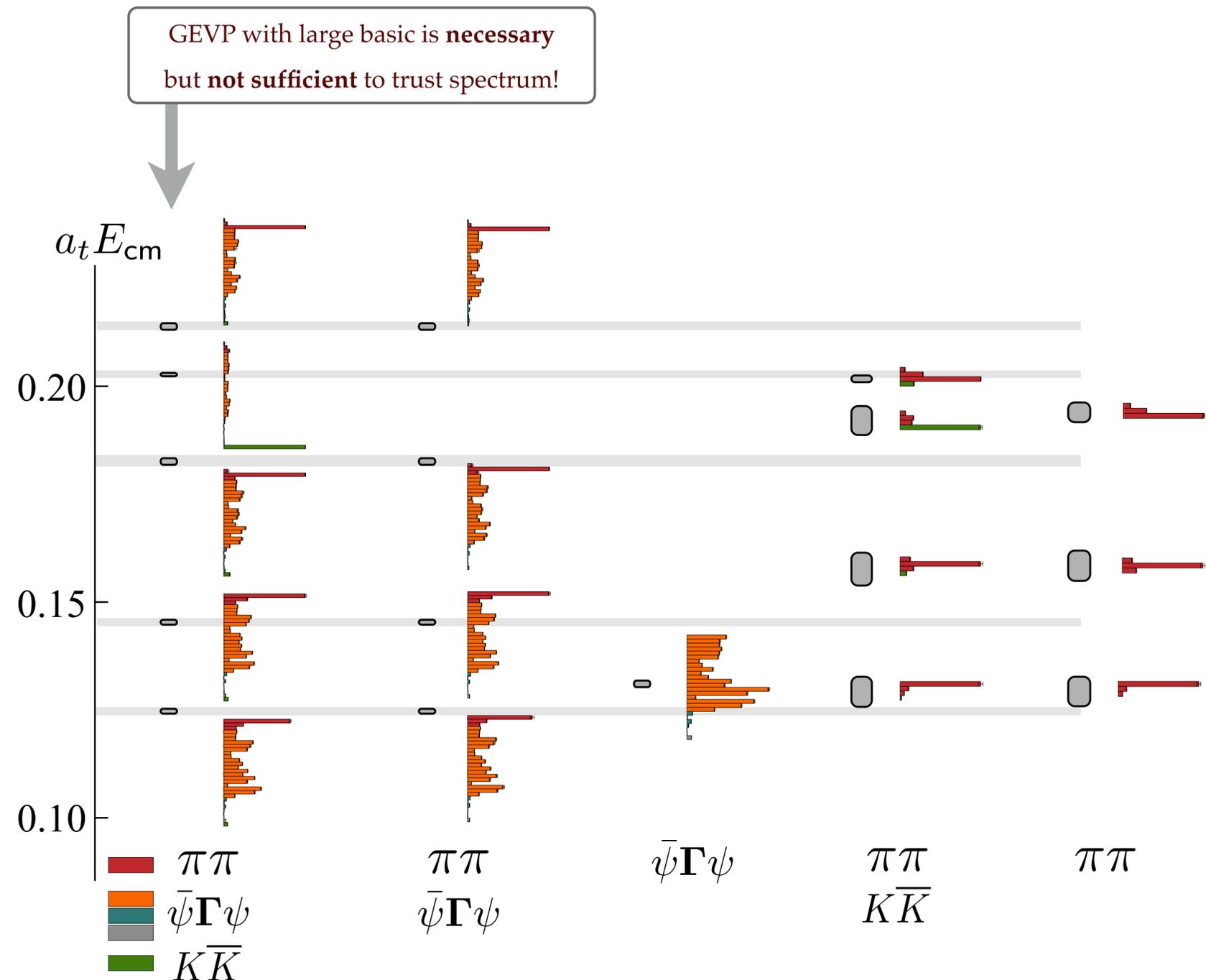
☑ diagonalization,

$$C_{ab}^{2pt.}(t, \mathbf{P}) \equiv \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_b(t, \mathbf{P}) \mathcal{O}_a^\dagger(0, \mathbf{P}) | 0 \rangle = \sum_n Z_{b,n} Z_{a,n}^* e^{-E_n t}$$

☑ Finite-volume formalisms.

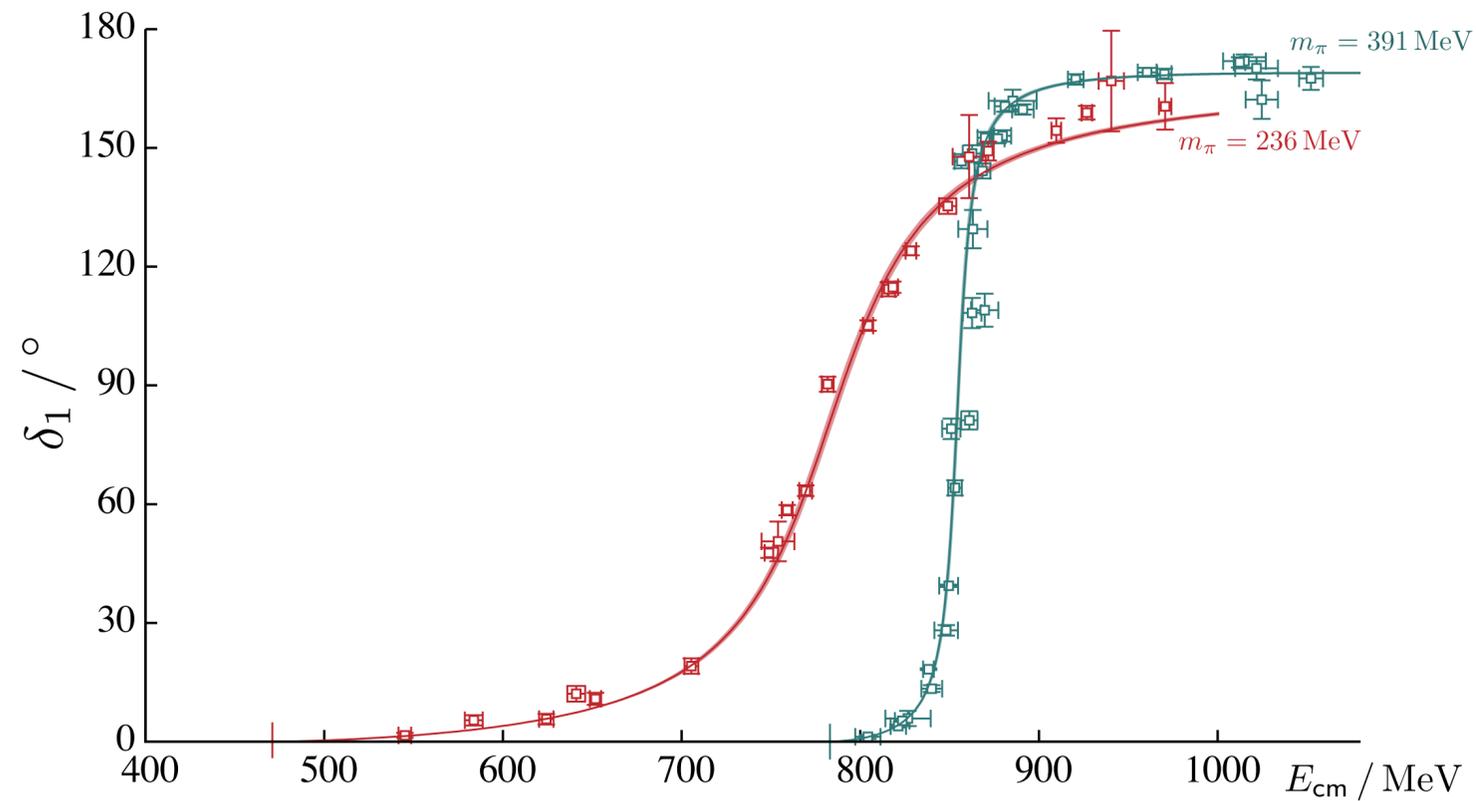
One powerful tool to make GEVP practical:

☑ Distillation [Peardon, *et al.* (HadSpec, 2009)].

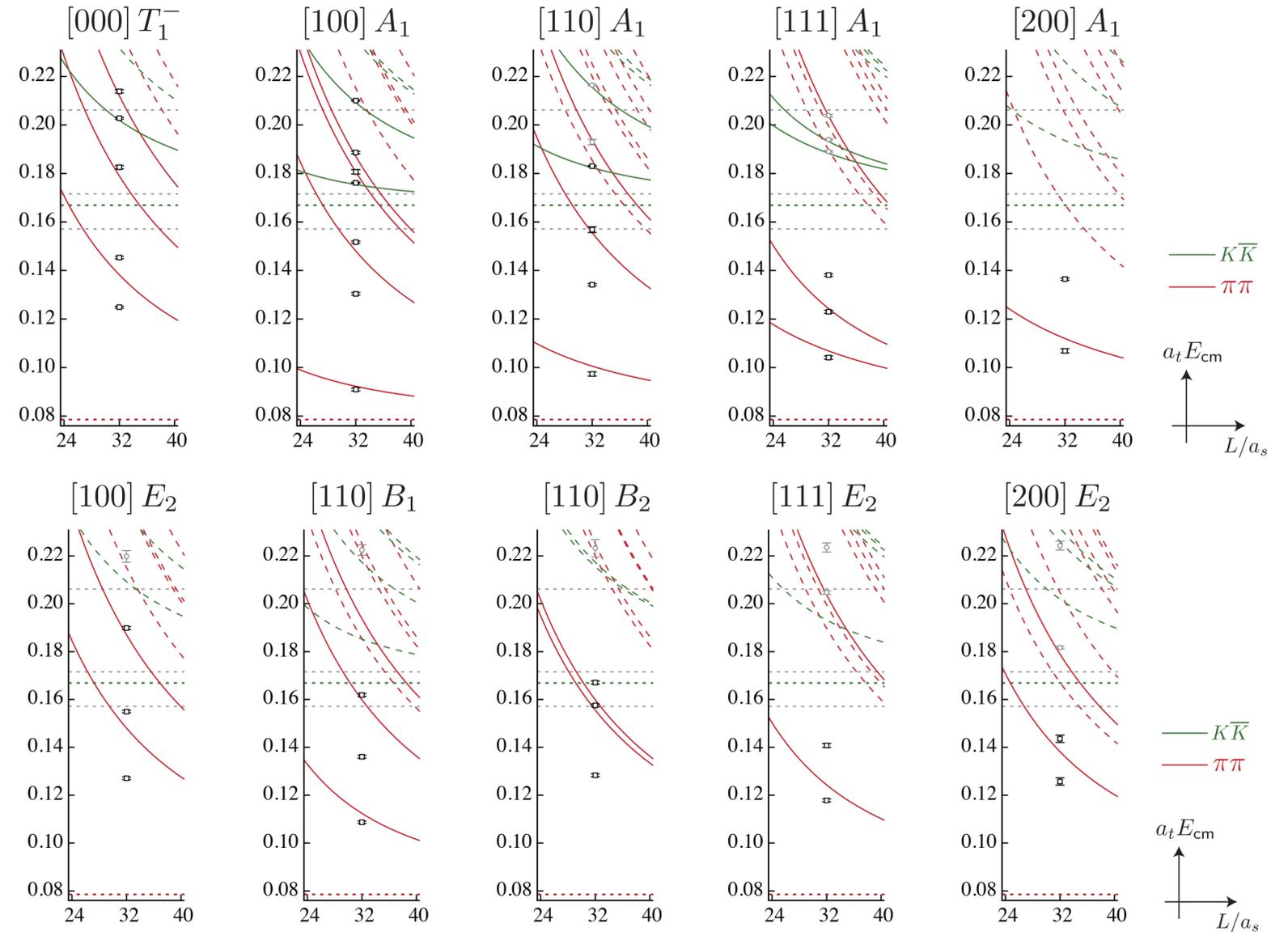


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($l=1$ channel)

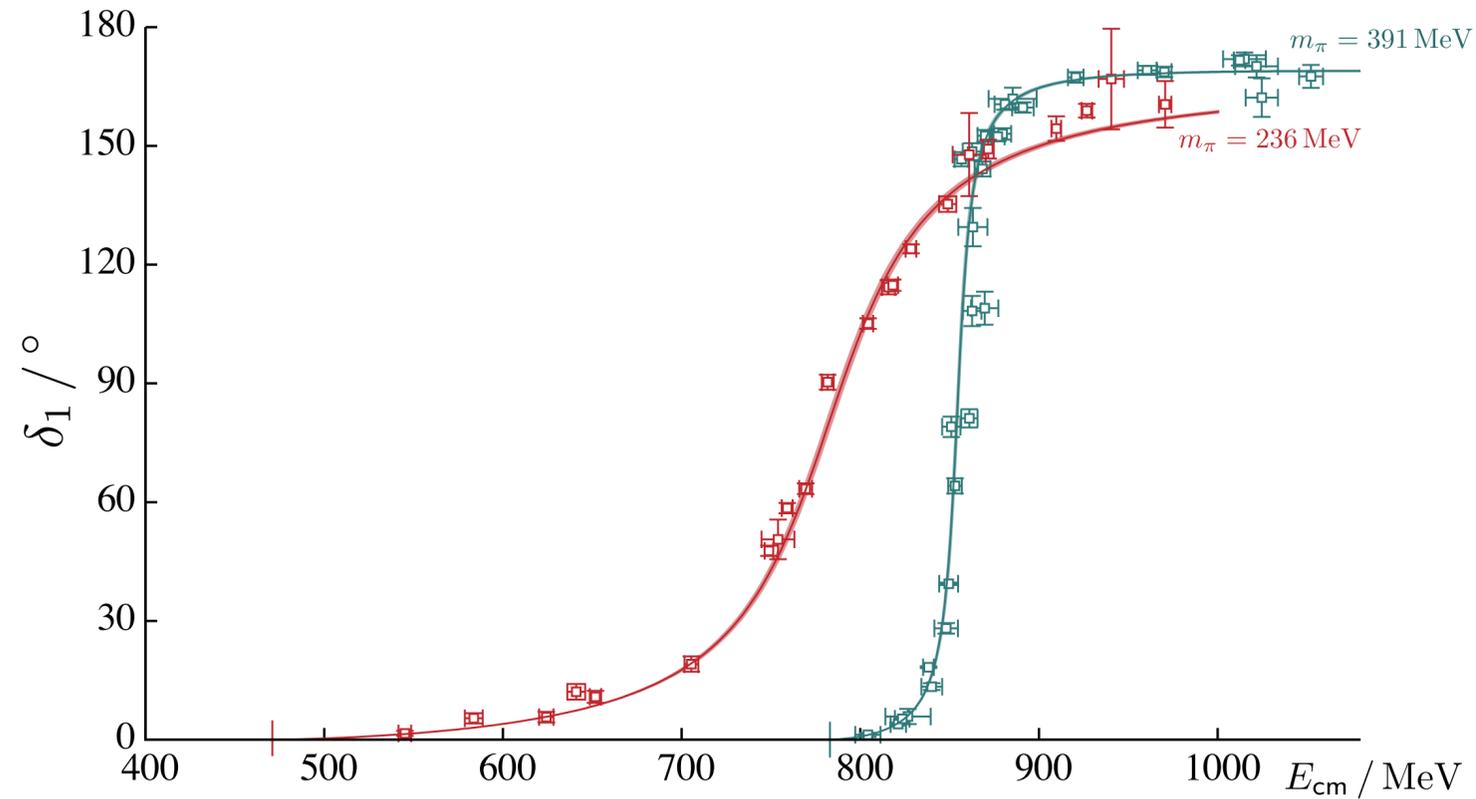


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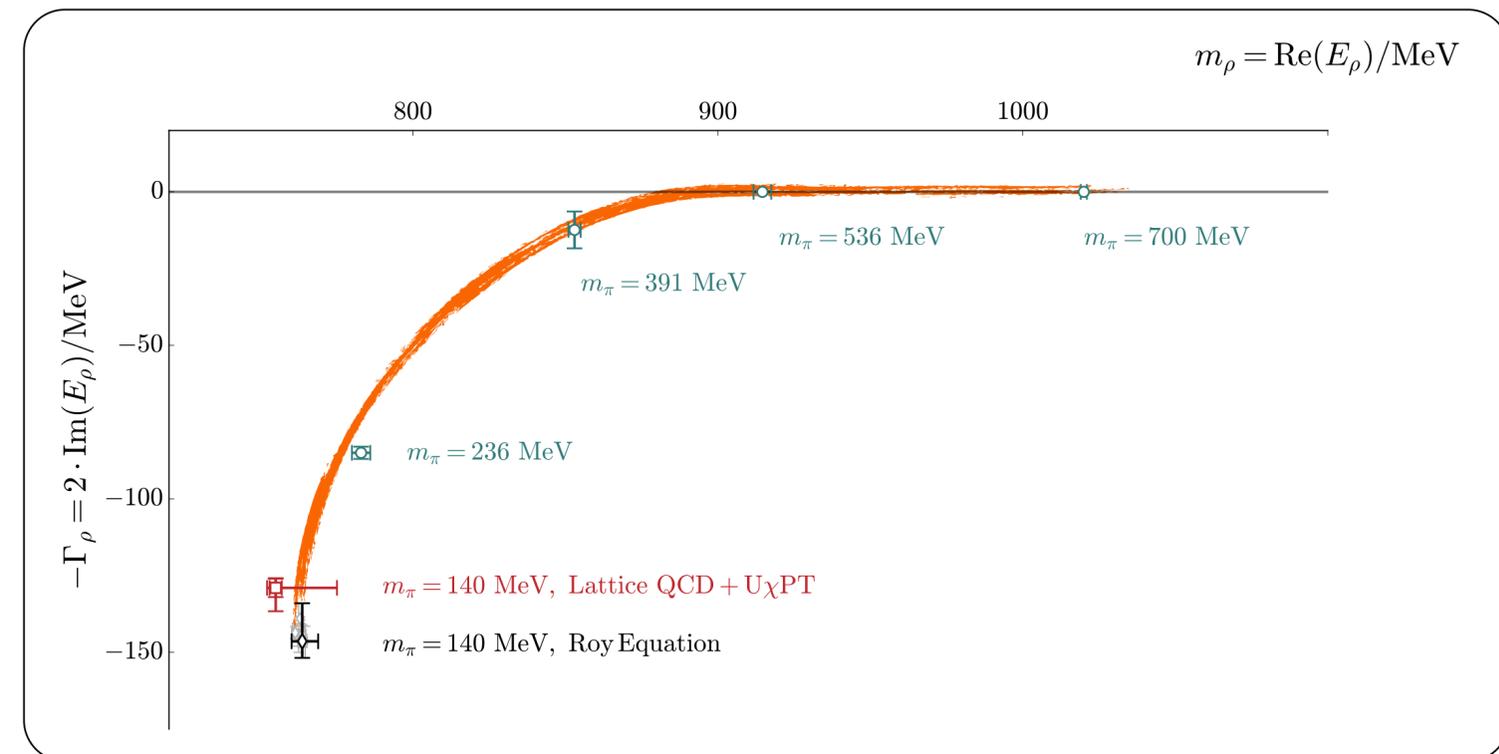
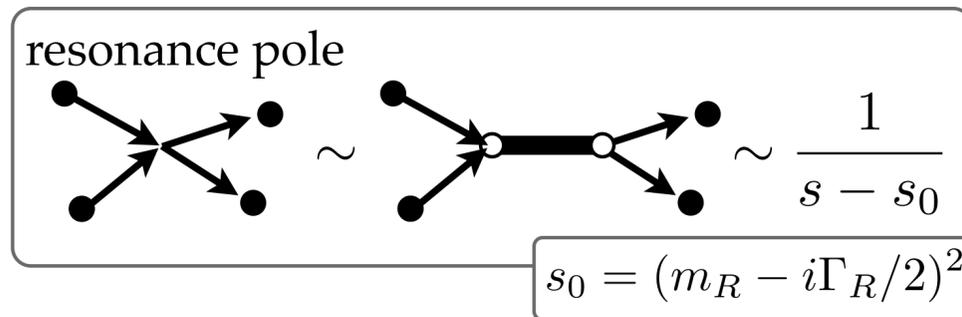


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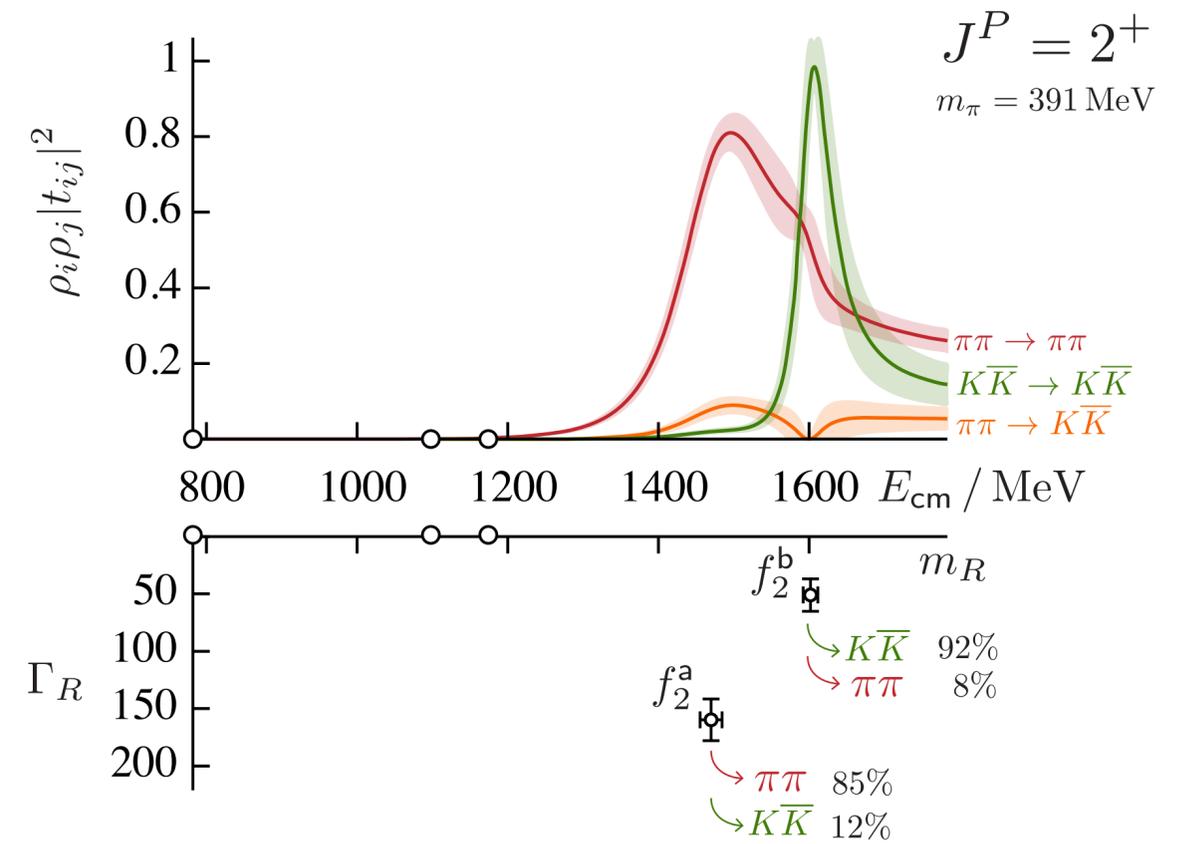
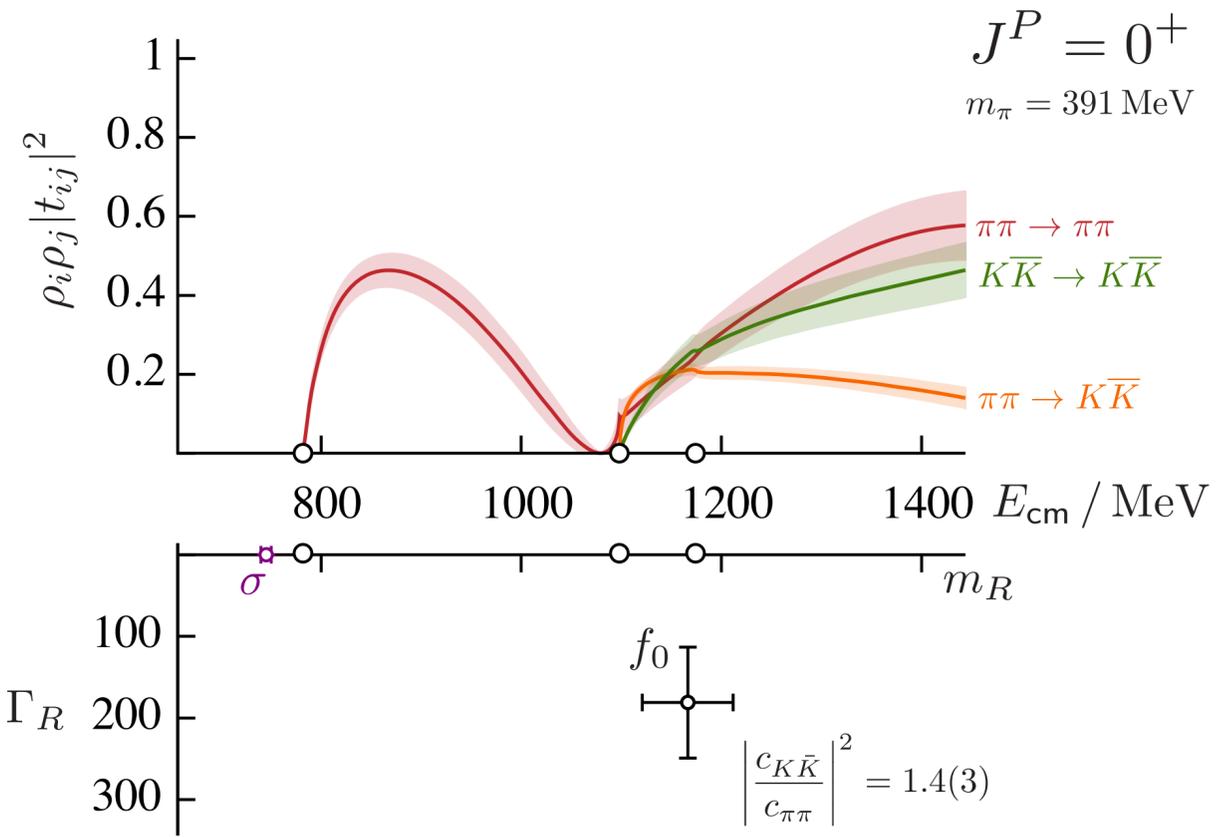
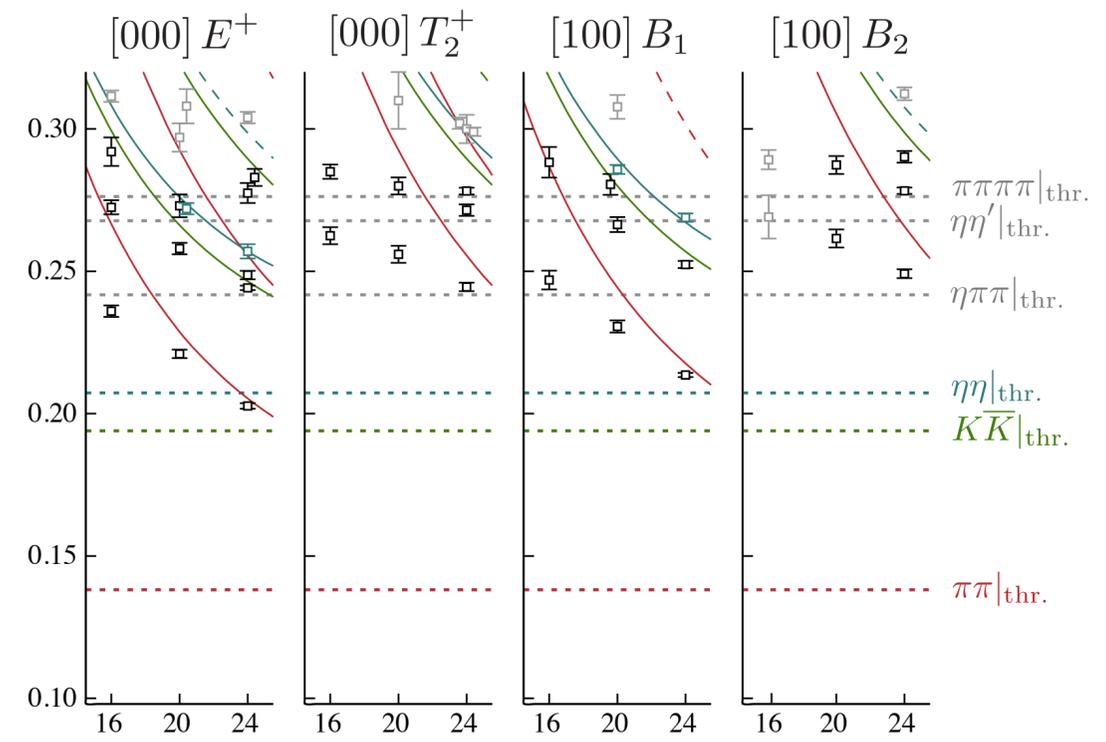
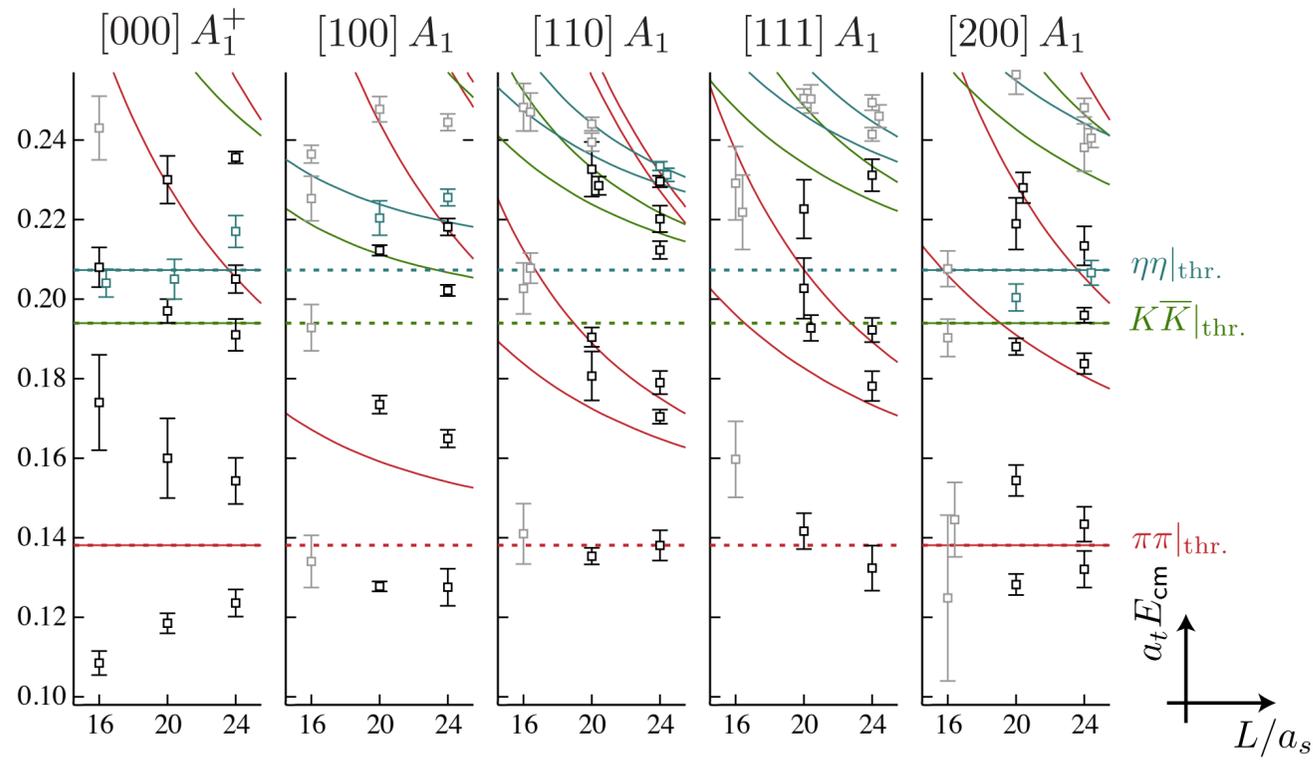
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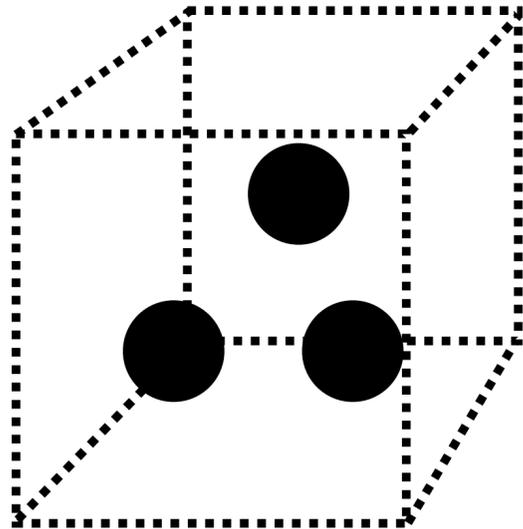
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$\pi\pi-K\bar{K}$ ($l=0$ channel)



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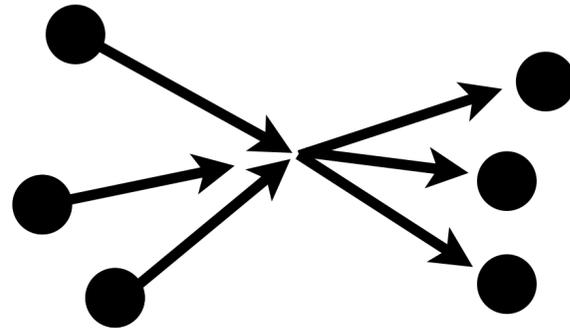


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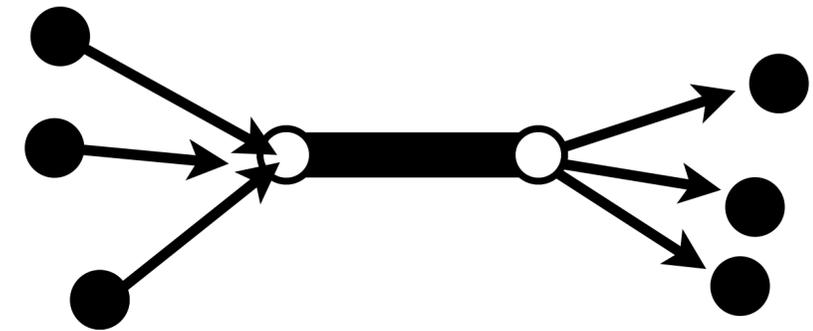
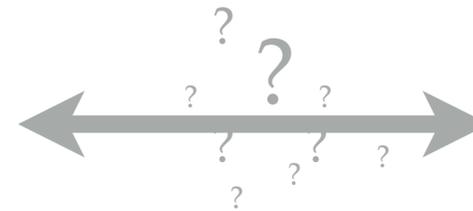
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Three hadrons in an infinite volume

The three-body scattering amplitude using all orders perturbation theory.

Sum over all connected 3-to-3 diagrams...

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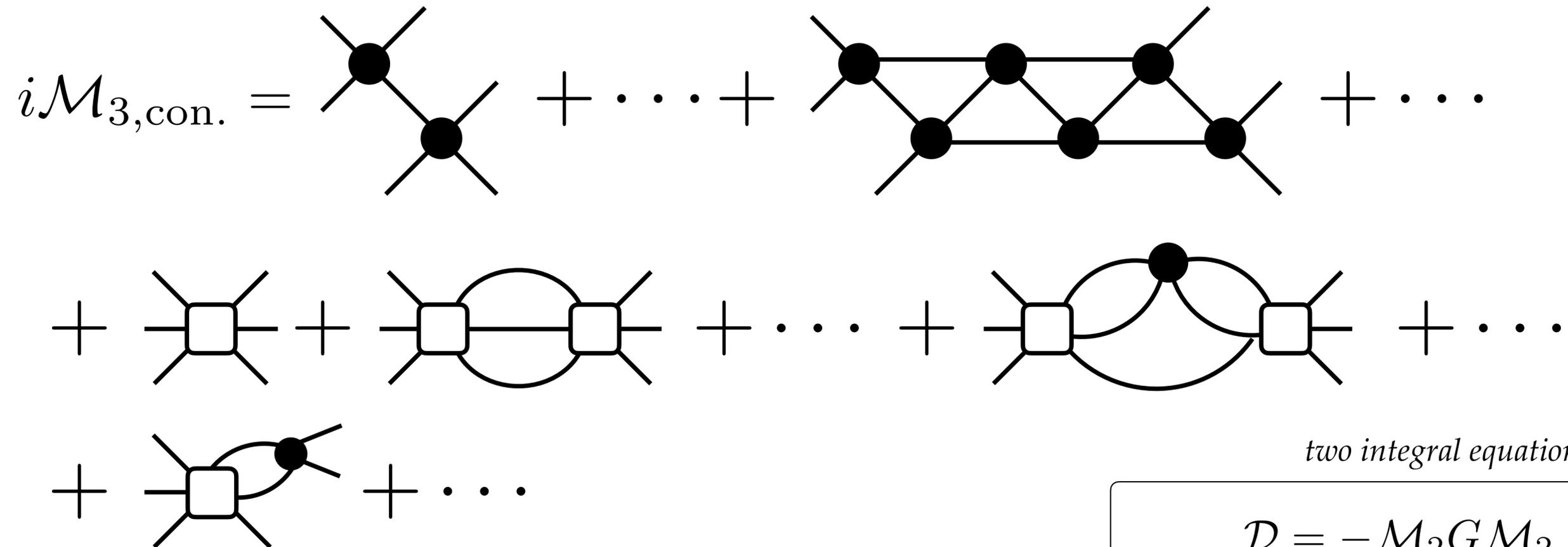
satisfies an integral equations

$$i\mathcal{D} = i\mathcal{M}_2 iG i\mathcal{M}_2 + \int i\mathcal{M}_2 iG i\mathcal{D}$$

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two integral equations and you're done!

$$\mathcal{D} = -\mathcal{M}_2 G \mathcal{M}_2 - \int \mathcal{M}_2 G \mathcal{D}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{3} + \mathcal{M}_2 \rho - \mathcal{D} \rho$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \mathcal{K}_{\text{df},3} - \int \mathcal{K}_{\text{df},3} \rho \mathcal{L} \mathcal{T}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{3,\text{con.}} = \mathcal{S} \{ \mathcal{D} + \mathcal{L} \mathcal{T} \mathcal{L}^T \}$$

Solving integral equations

Assuming $\mathcal{K}_{\text{df}} = 0$ and partial wave-projecting onto $\ell = 0$ sector,

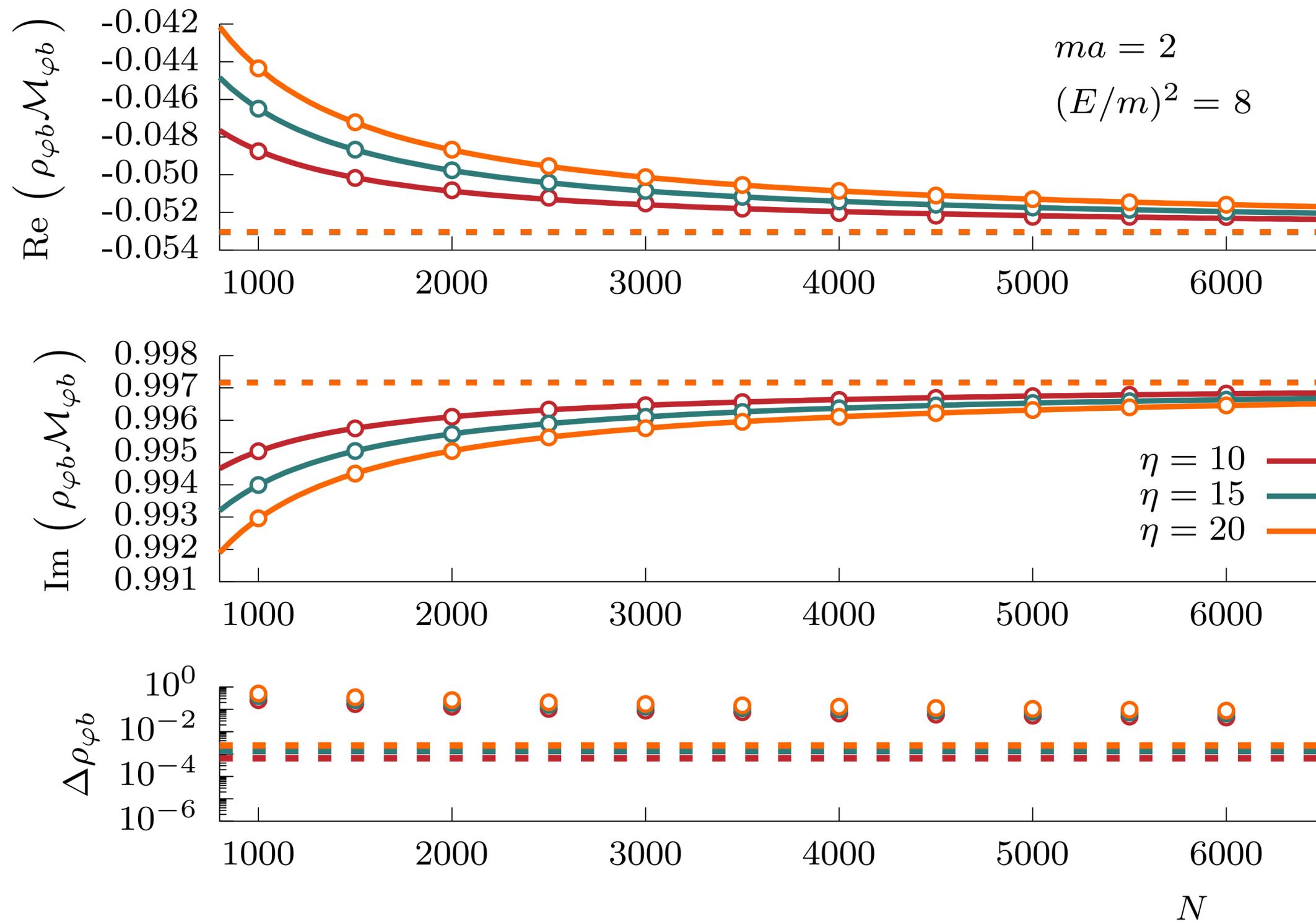
$$\mathcal{D}_s^{(u,u)}(p, k) = -\mathcal{M}_2(E_{2,p}^*)G_s(p, k, \epsilon)\mathcal{M}_2(E_{2,k}^*) - \mathcal{M}_2(E_{2,p}^*) \int_0^{k_{\text{max}}} \frac{k'^2 dk'}{(2\pi)^2 \omega_{k'}} G_s(p, k', \epsilon) \mathcal{D}_s^{(u,u)}(k', k),$$

- Discretized momenta: meshes, splines,...
- Soften or isolate possible singularities: non-zero epsilon, integrate out poles analytically, ...
- Write as a matrix form:

$$\mathbf{D}(N, \epsilon) = -\mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{G}(\epsilon) \cdot \mathbf{M} - \mathbf{M} \cdot \mathbf{G}(\epsilon) \cdot \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{D}(N, \epsilon)$$

- Recover the exact results when taking $\epsilon = \eta/N \rightarrow 0$.

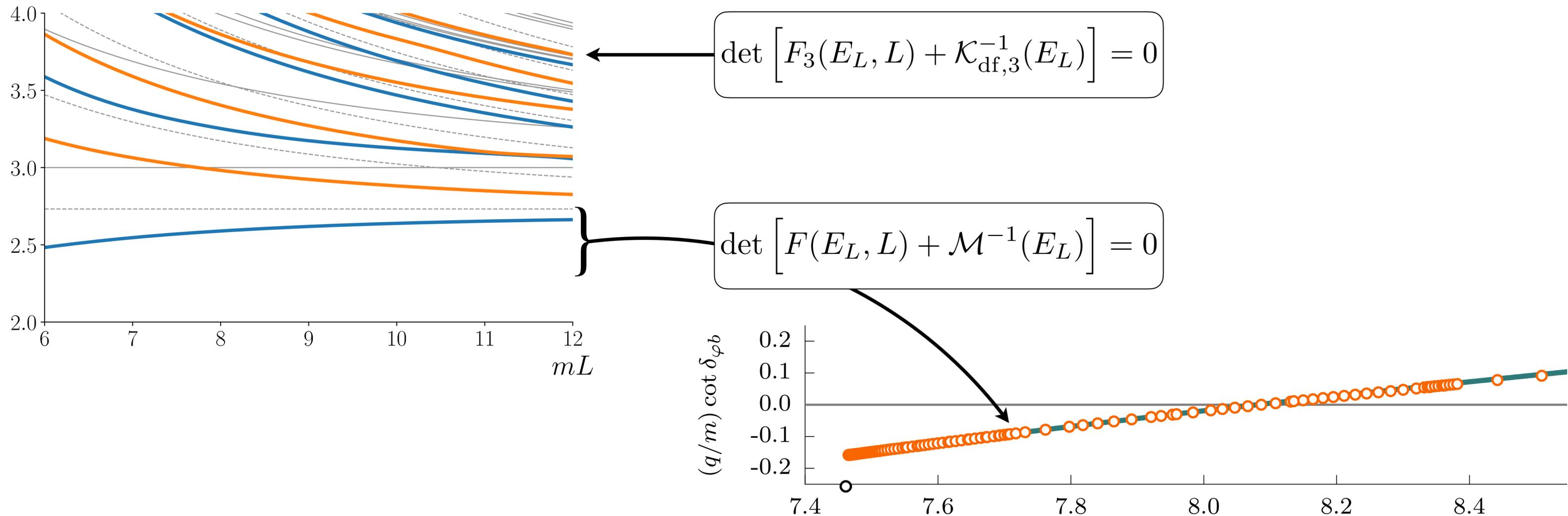
Convergence tests



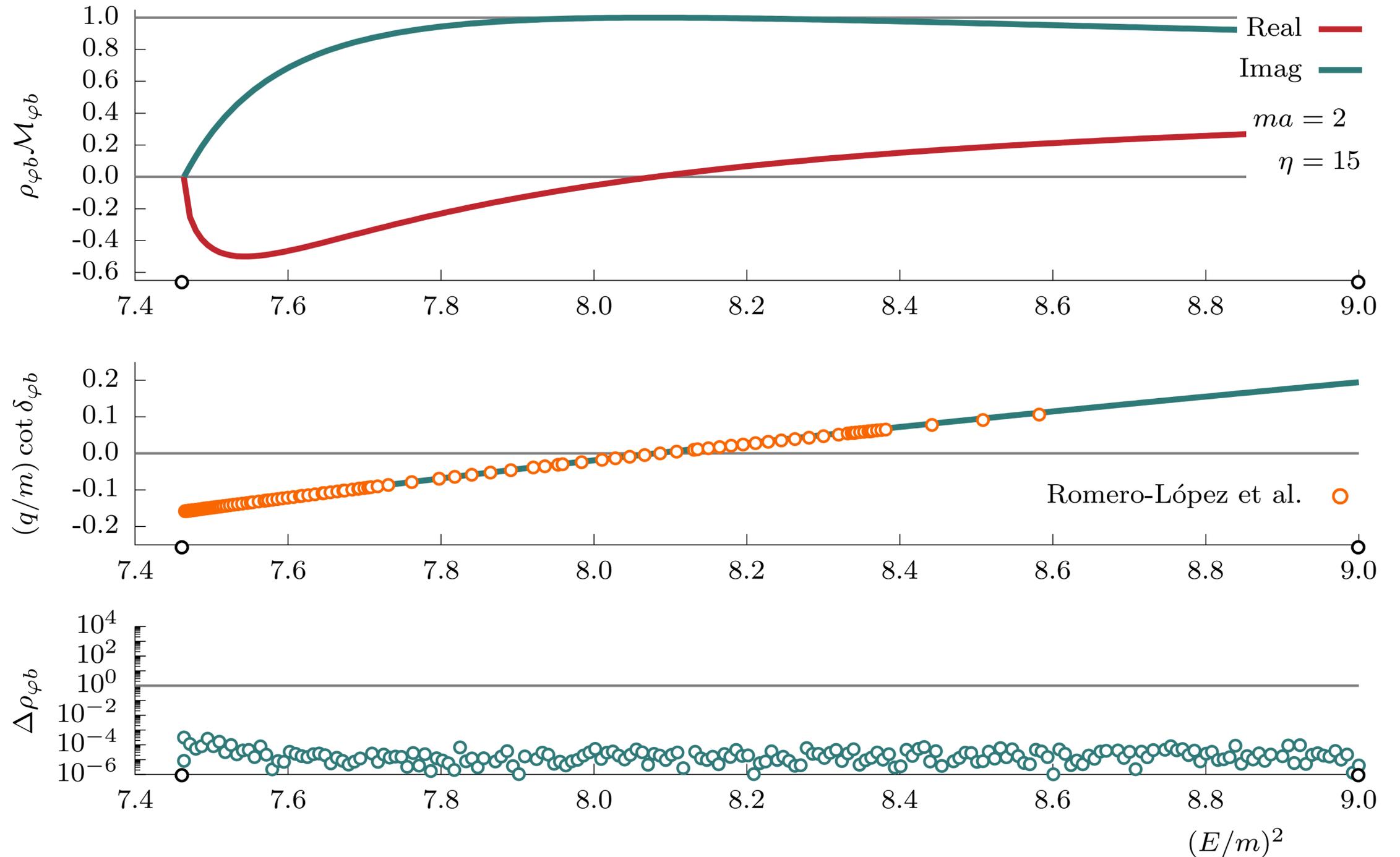
Consistency checks for toy model

Alternatively to solving the integral equations, one can instead:

- consider theories with two-body bound states (),
- obtain E_L using 3-body quantization by Hansen & Sharpe (2014),
- obtain $q \cot \delta_{\varphi b}$ using the two-body Lüscher formalism.

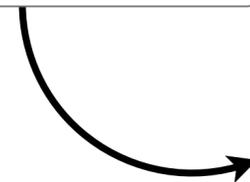


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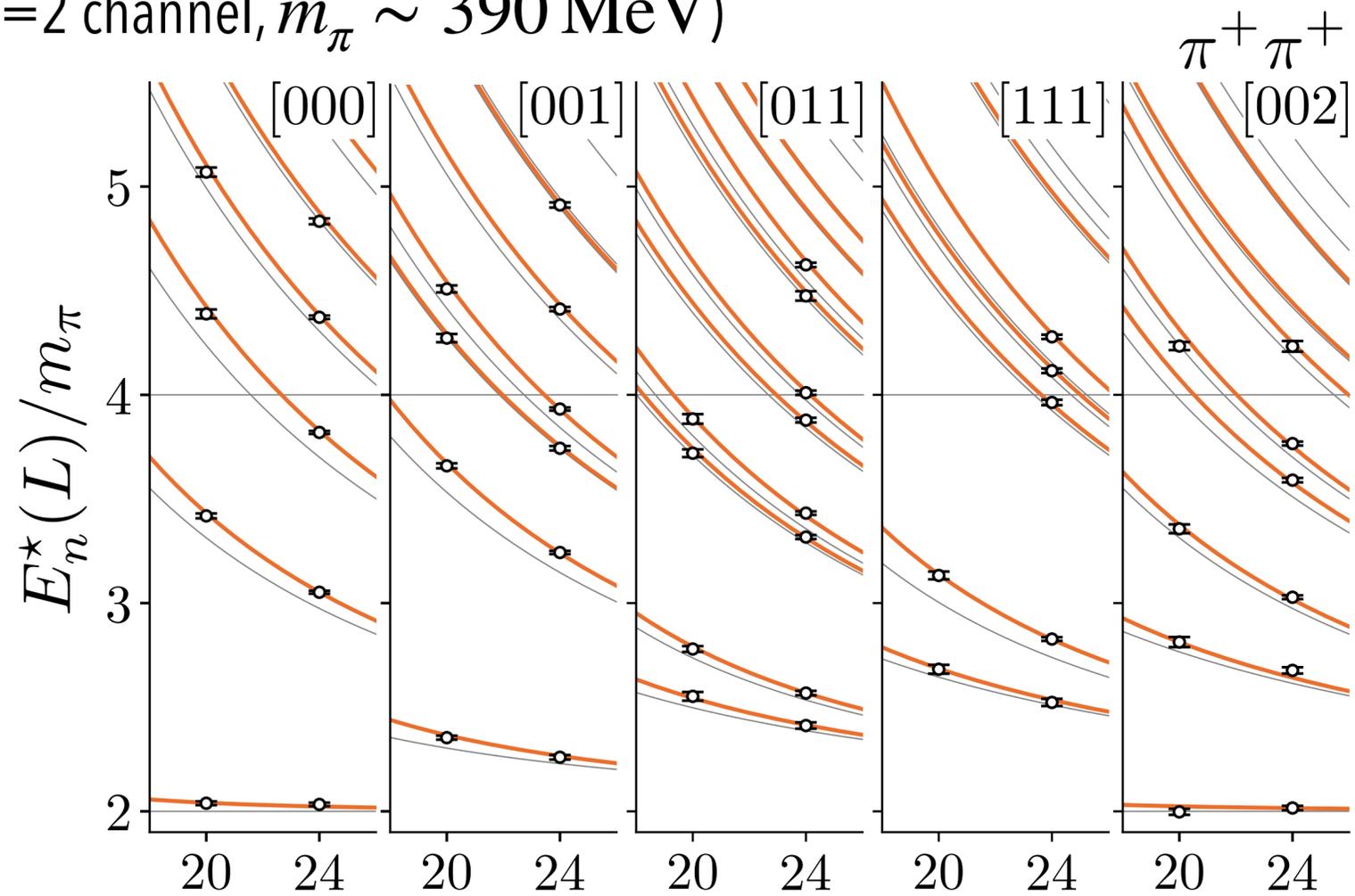
percentage unitarity deviation

$$\Delta \rho_{\varphi b}(E; N) \equiv \left| \frac{\text{Im} \left[\mathcal{M}_{\varphi b}^{-1}(E; N) \right] + \rho_{\varphi b}(E)}{\rho_{\varphi b}(E)} \right| \times 100$$



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($l=2$ channel, $m_\pi \sim 390$ MeV)



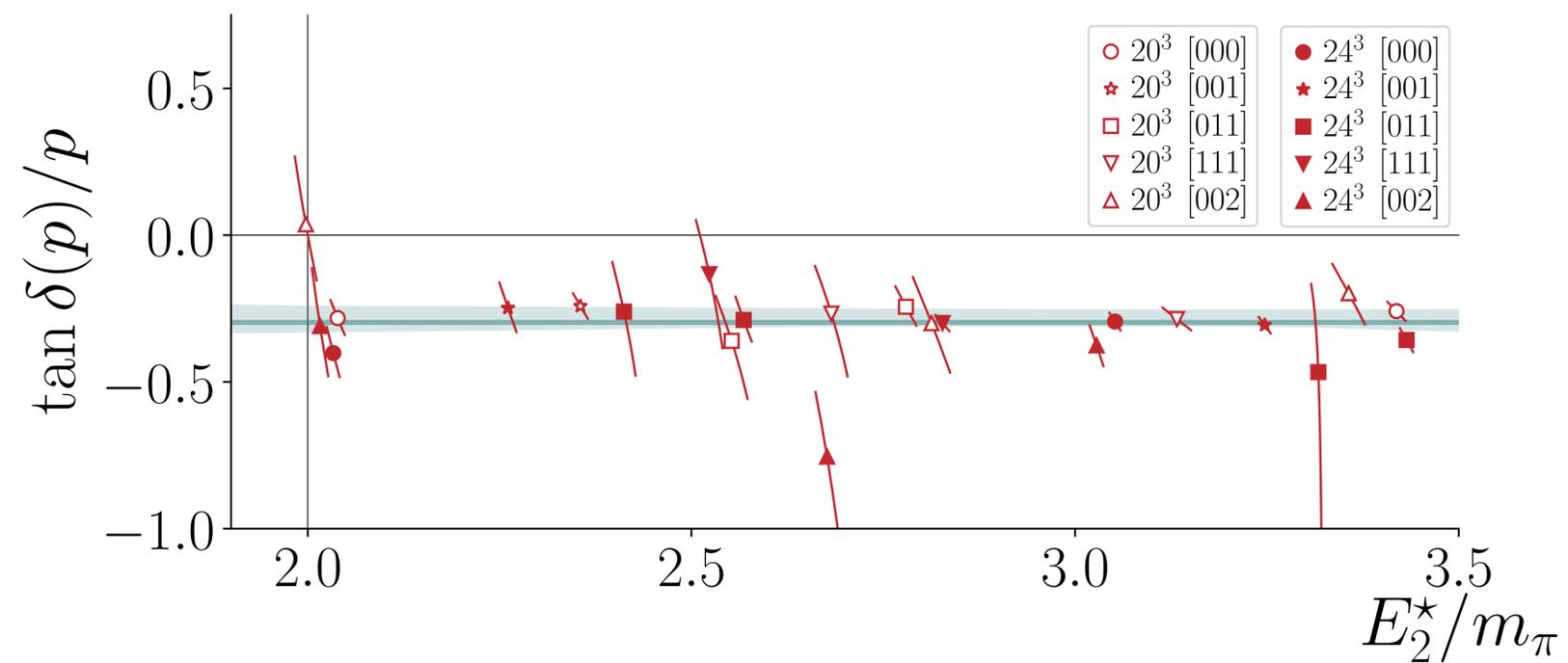
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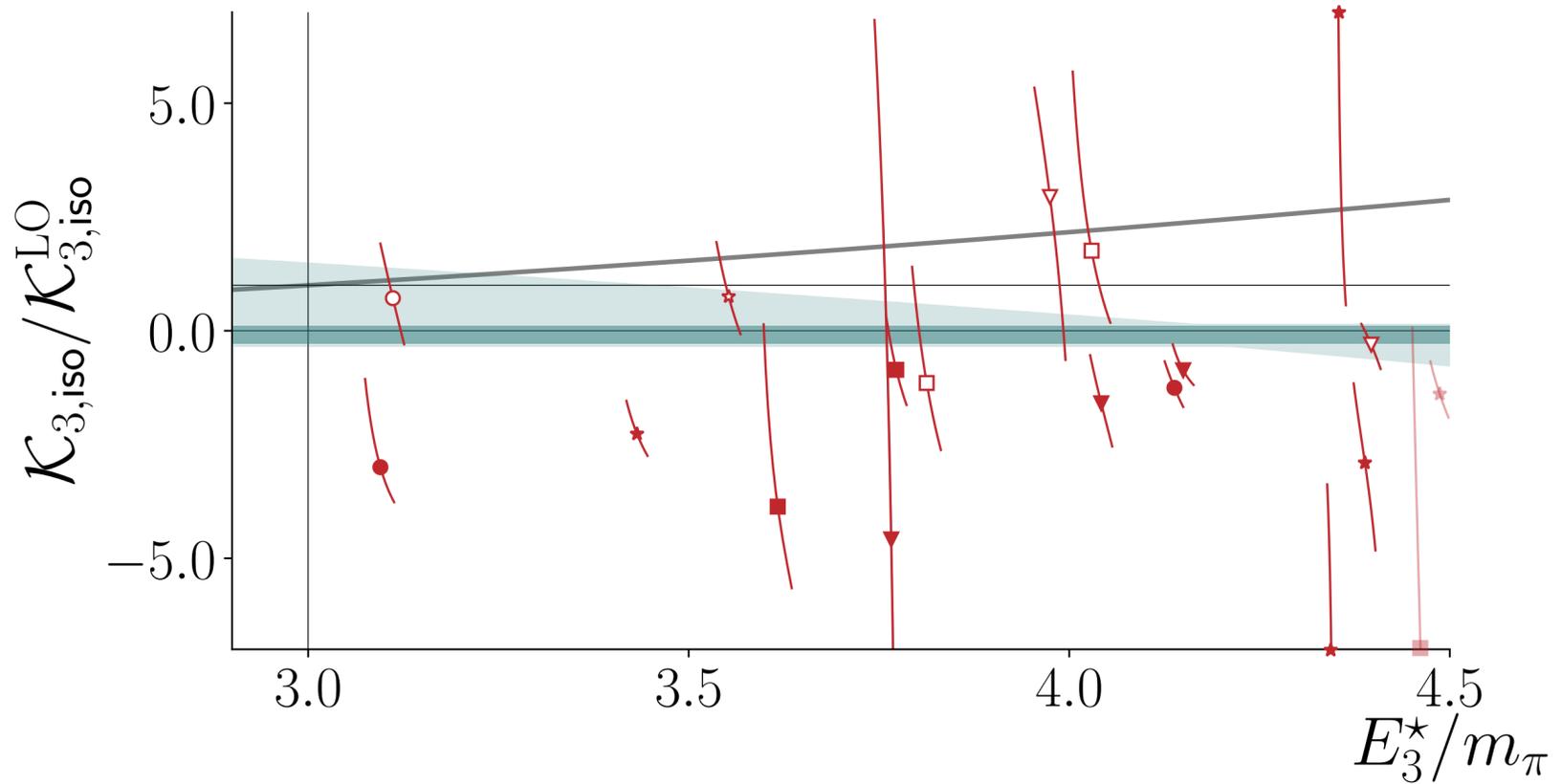
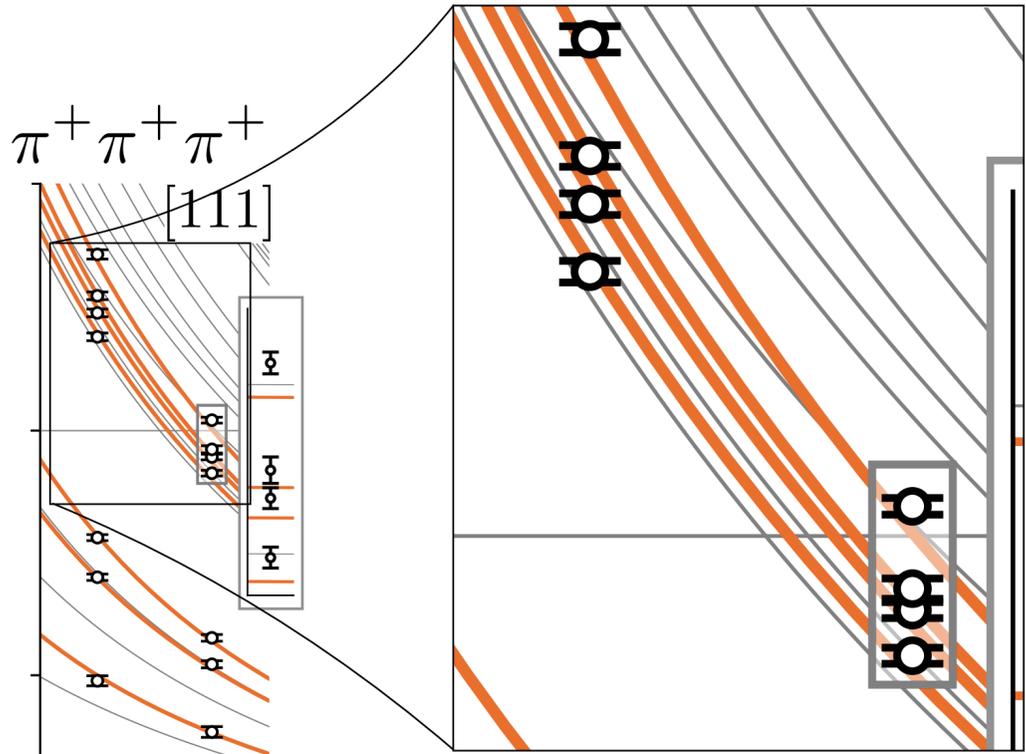
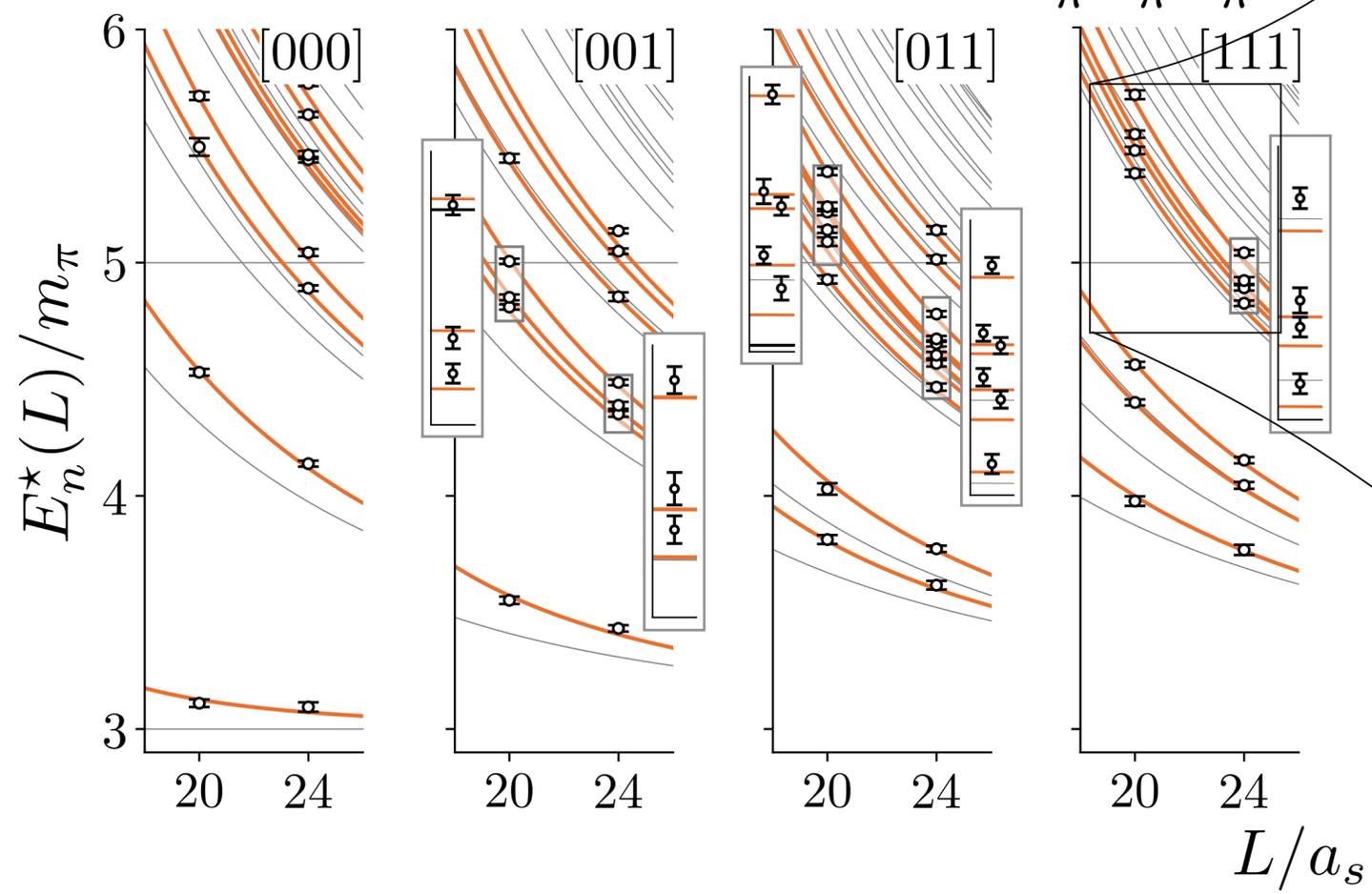


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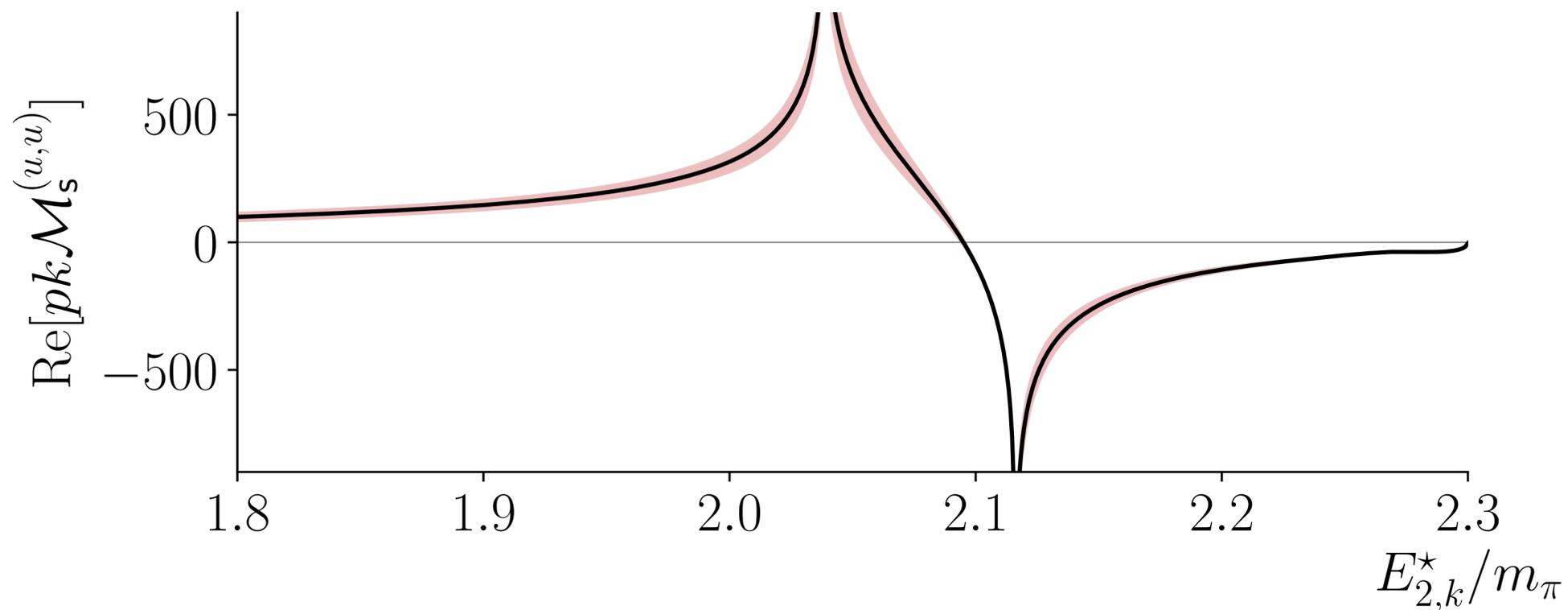
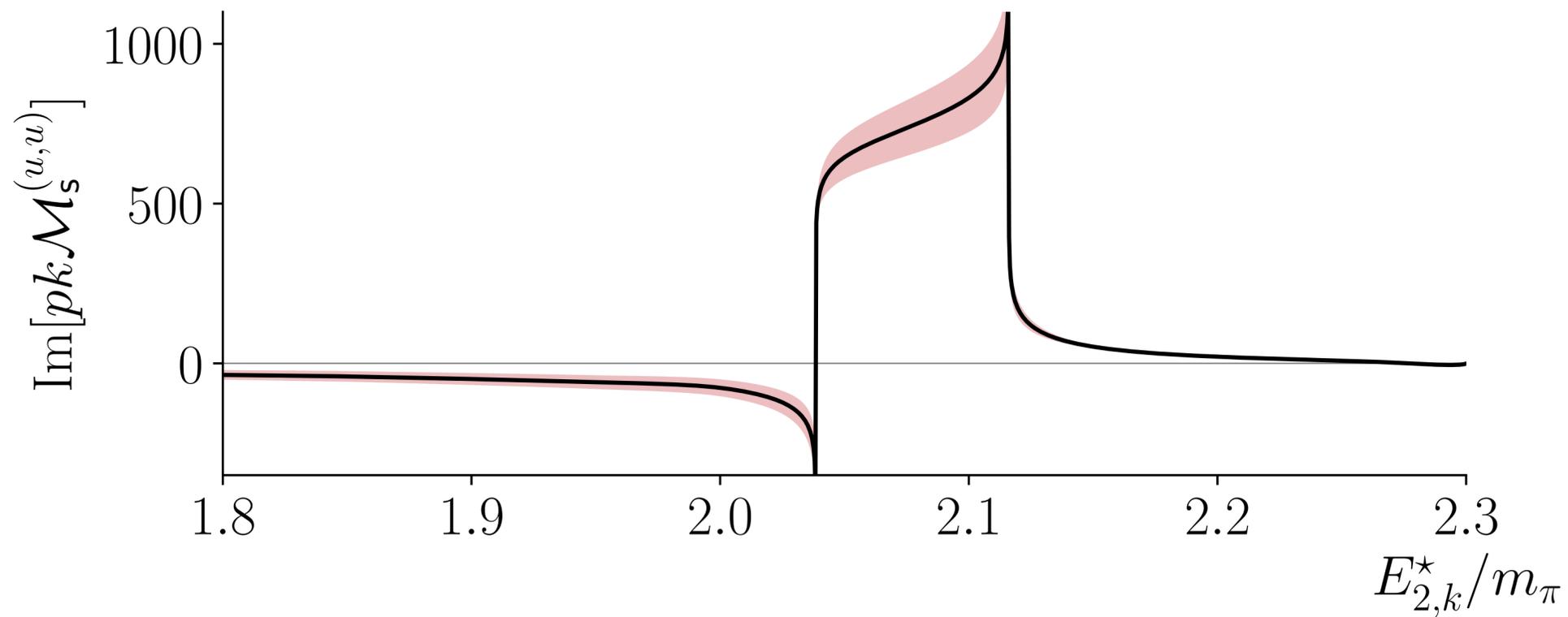
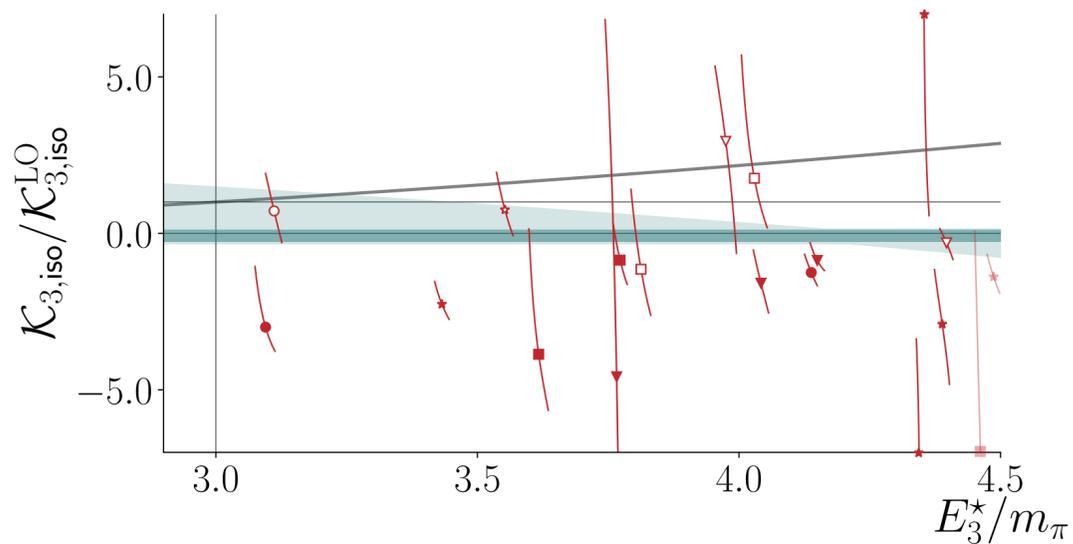
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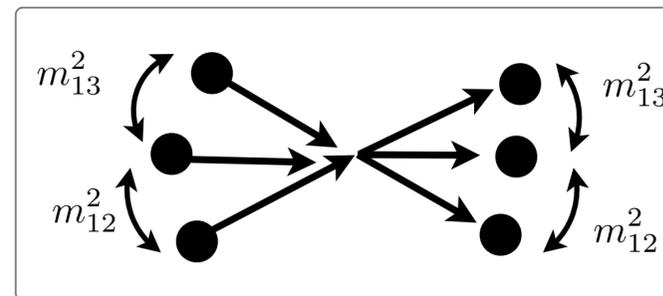
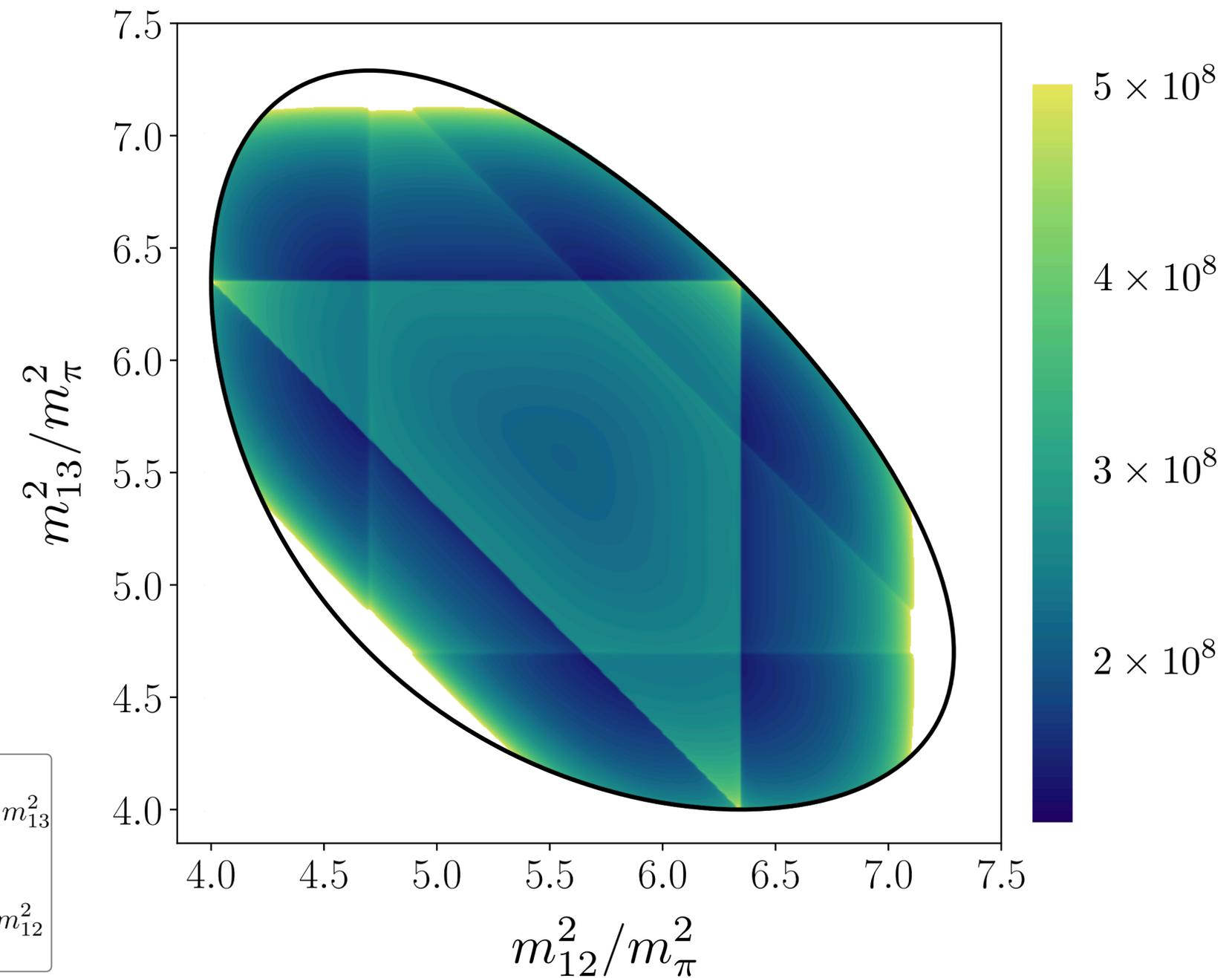
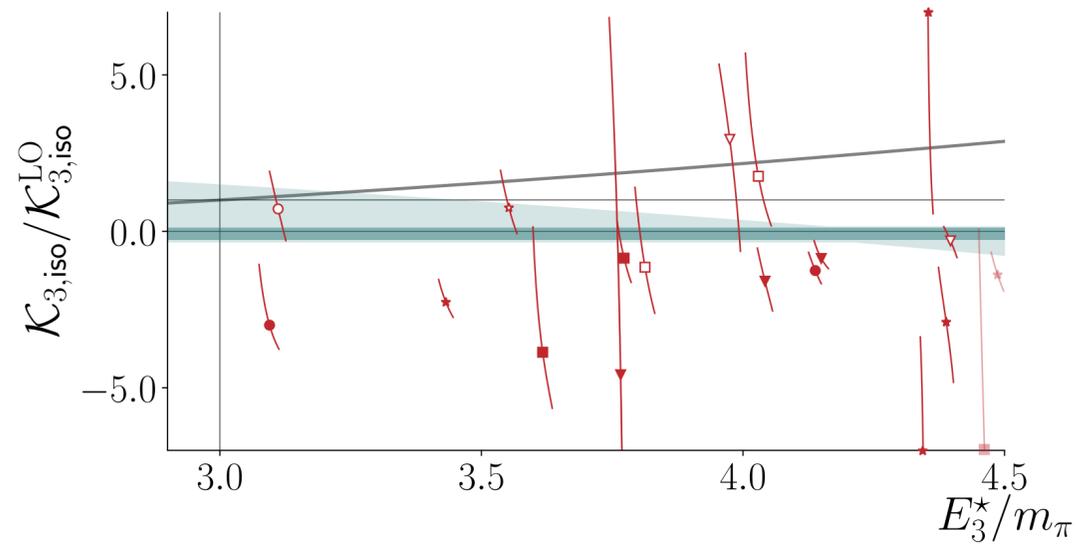
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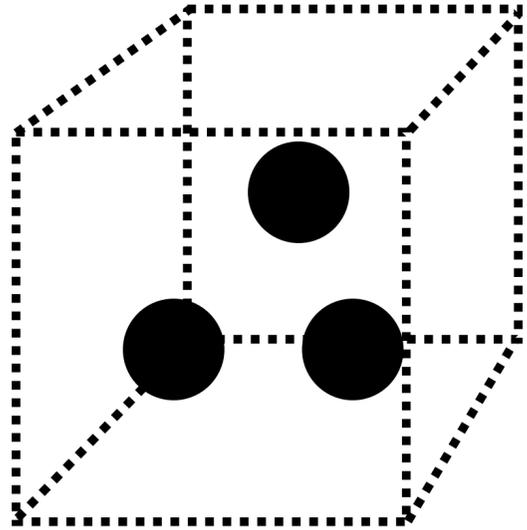
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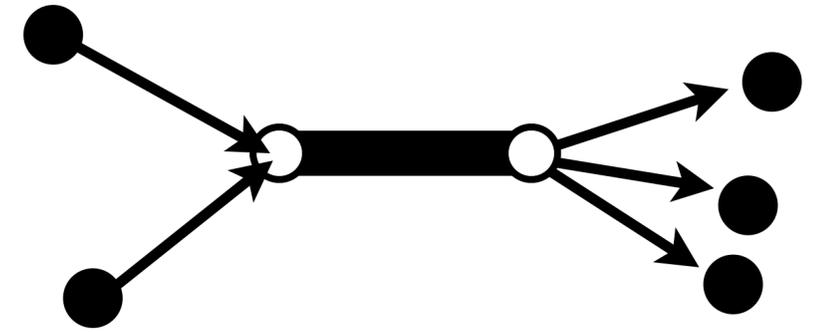
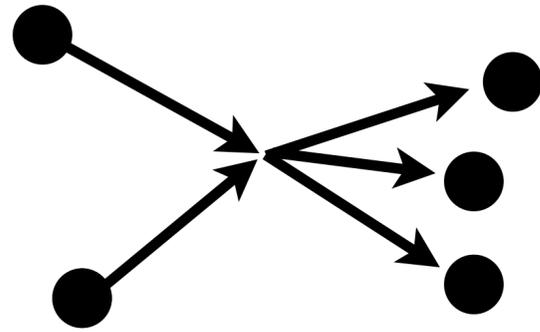
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Future of spectroscopy



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Unitarity in 3Body systems

FV formalism for spinless states

coupled 2/3B systems

analytic and numerical checks

integral equations

Actual calculations

Spin, multichannels

Analytic continuation