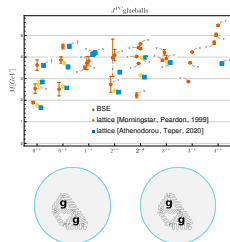
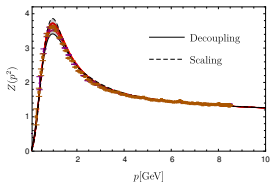


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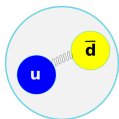
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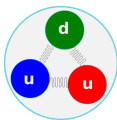
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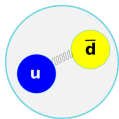


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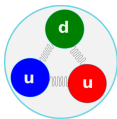


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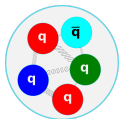
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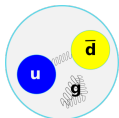
Pentaquarks

First observations 2015 (LHCb)



Tetraquarks

Increasing number of confirmed states. Bound state equations perspective: [Eichmann, Fischer, Heupel, Santowsky, Wallbott '20]



Hybrids



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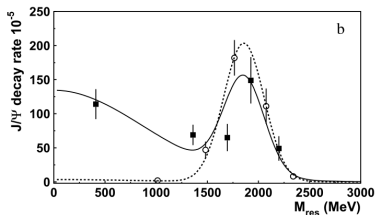
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Recent analysis of BESIII data [Sarantsev, Denisenko, Thoma, Klempt '21]:

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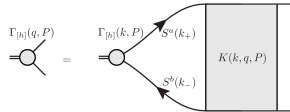
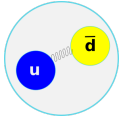
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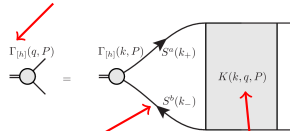
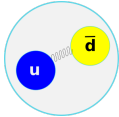


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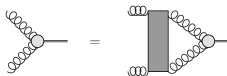
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
- Interaction kernel K
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A diagram showing the Dyson equation for the quark propagator. It consists of an equation: a circle with a horizontal line through it labeled $S(p)$ with a superscript -1, equals a circle with a horizontal line through it labeled $S_0(p)$ with a superscript -1, plus a term. The plus term is a circle with a horizontal line through it labeled $S(q)$, with a wavy line labeled $D_{\mu\nu}(p-q)$ connecting it to a circle with a horizontal line through it labeled $\Gamma_\mu(p, q)$. The wavy line also has a label γ_μ at its left end.

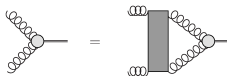
Nonperturbative diagram: full momentum dependent dressings
 → numerical solution




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Previous BSE calculations for glueballs:

- ▶ [Meyers, Swanson '13]
- ▶ [Sanchis-Alepuz, Fischer, Kellermann, von Smekal '15]
- ▶ [Souza et al. '20]
- ▶ [Kaptari, Kämpfer '20]

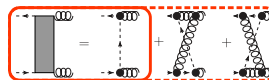
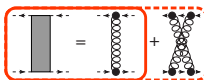
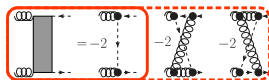
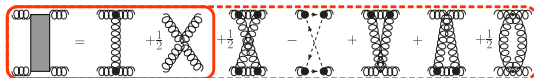
\Rightarrow **Input is important** for
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[MQH, Fischer, Sanchis-Alepuz '20]

Kernel construction

From 3PI effective action truncated to three-loops:

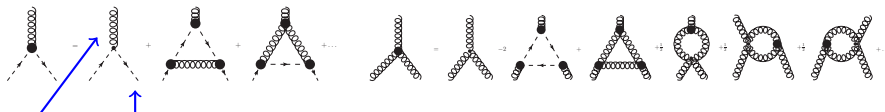
[Fukuda '87; McKay, Munczek '89; Sanchis-Alepuz, Williams '15; MQH, Fischer, Sanchis-Alepuz '20]



→ Need , \rightarrow , , .

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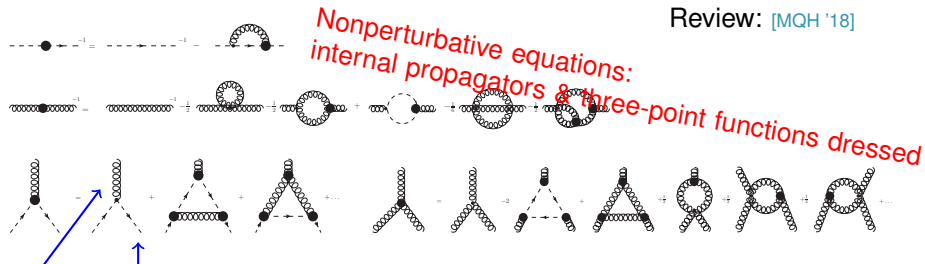
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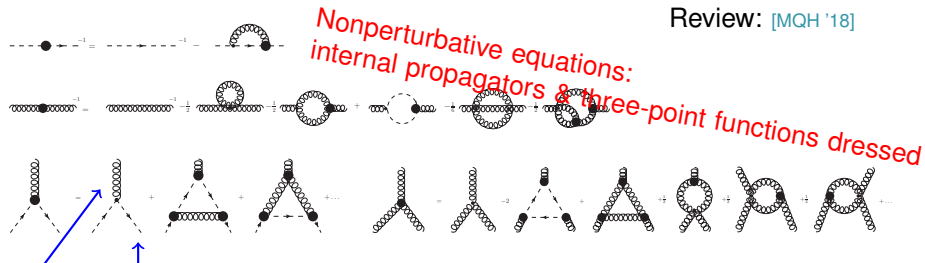


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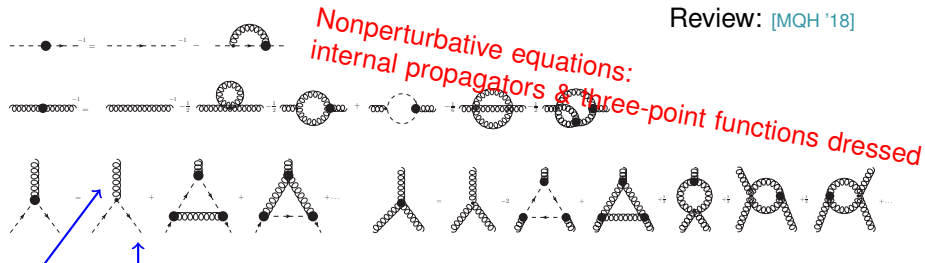
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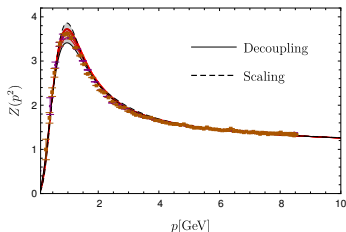
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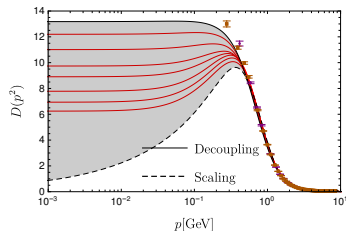
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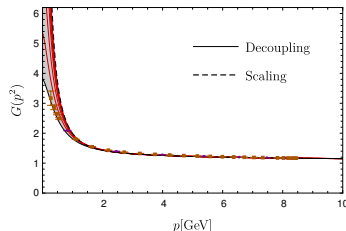


- Family of solutions:
Nonperturbative completions of Landau gauge [Maas '10]?
- Realized by condition on $G(0)$
[Fischer, Maas, Pawłowski '08; Alkofer, MQH, Schwenzer '08]
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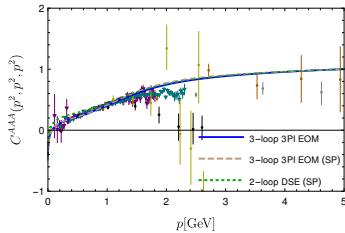


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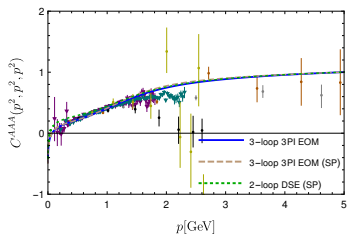


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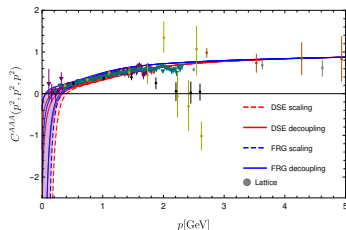
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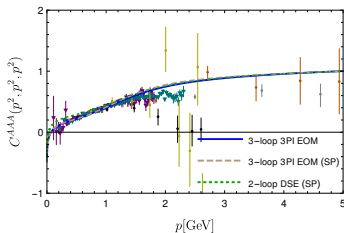


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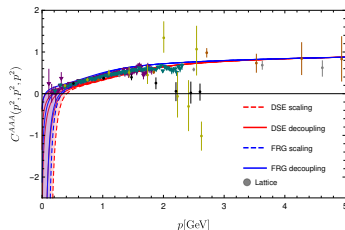
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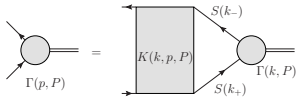


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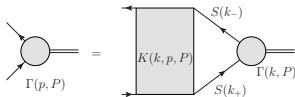
Beyond this truncation

- Further dressings of three-gluon vertex [Eichmann, Williams, Alkofer, Vujanovic '14]
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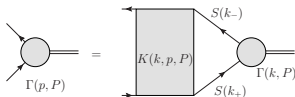


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\Rightarrow Complex momentum arguments.

Direct calculation from functional methods possible, e.g., [Fischer, MQH '20].

\rightarrow talk by Windisch

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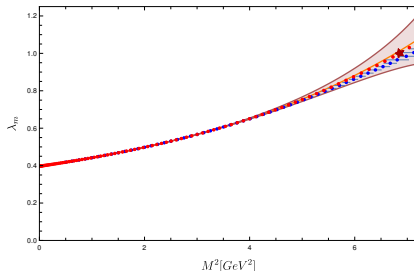
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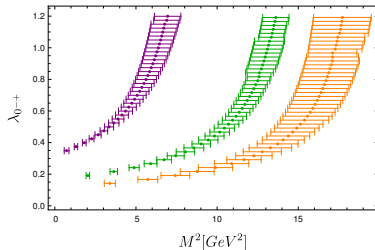
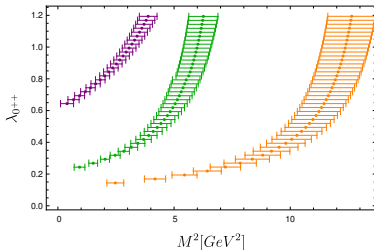


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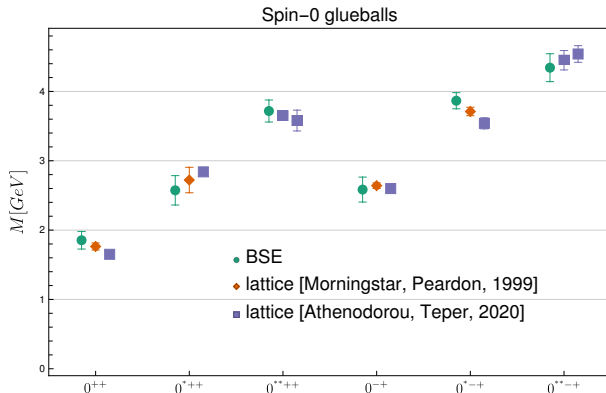
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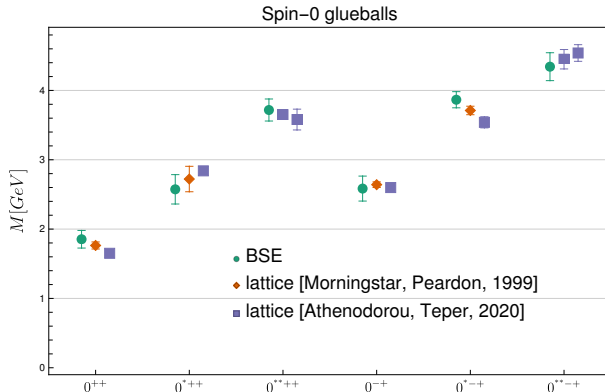


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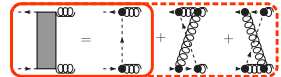
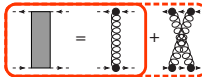
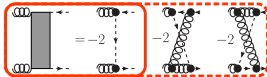
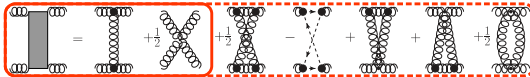
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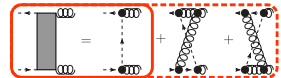
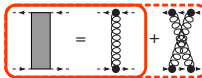
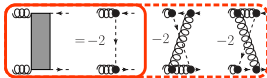


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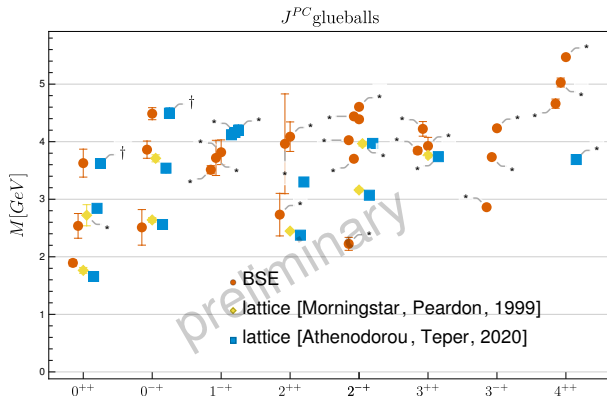
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Blueballs as bound states

Hadron masses from correlation functions of **color singlet operators**.

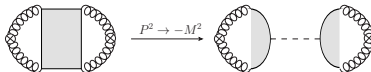
Example: For $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$ glueball take $O(x) = F_{\mu\nu}(x)F^{\mu\nu}(x)$:

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Put total momentum on-shell and consider individual 2-, 3- and 4-gluon contributions. \rightarrow Each can have a pole at the glueball mass.

A^4 -part of $D(x - y)$, total momentum on-shell:



Charge parity

Transformation of gluon field under charge conjugation:

$$A_{\mu}^a \rightarrow -\eta(a)A_{\mu}^a$$

where

$$\eta(a) = \begin{cases} +1 & a = 1, 3, 4, 6, 8 \\ -1 & a = 2, 5, 7 \end{cases}$$

Color neutral operator with two gluon fields:

$$A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^a \rightarrow \eta(a)^2 A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^a = A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^a.$$

$$\Rightarrow C = +1$$

Negative charge parity, e.g.:

$$\begin{aligned} d^{abc} A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^b A_{\rho}^c &\rightarrow -d^{abc} \eta(a)\eta(b)\eta(c) A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^b A_{\rho}^c = \\ &= -d^{abc} A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^b A_{\rho}^c. \end{aligned}$$

Only nonvanishing elements of the symmetric structure constant d^{abc} : zero or two indices equal to 2, 5 or 7.

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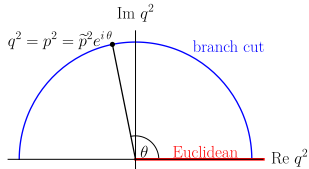
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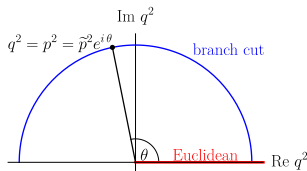


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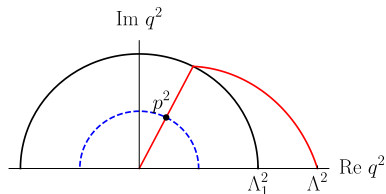
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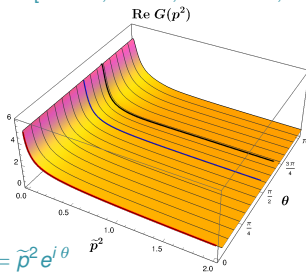
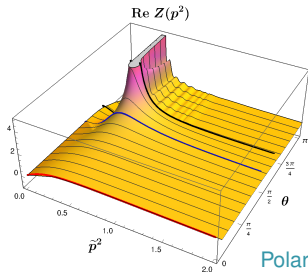
Appearance of branch cuts for complex momenta forbids integration directly to cutoff.

Deformation of integration contour necessary [Maris '95]. Recent resurgence: [Alkofer et al. '04; Windisch, MQH, Alkofer, '13; Williams '19; Miramontes, Sanchis-Alepuz '19; Eichmann et al. '19, ...]

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Ray technique for self-consistent solution of a DSE:

[Strauss, Fischer, Kellermann; Fischer, MQH '20].



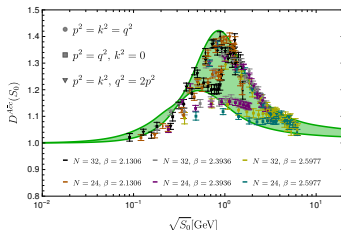
Polar coordinates: $p^2 = \tilde{p}^2 e^{i\theta}$

- Current truncation leads to a pole-like structure in the gluon propagator.
- Analyticity up to 'pole' confirmed by various tests (Cauchy-Riemann, Schlessinger, reconstruction)
- No proof of existence of complex conjugate poles due to simple truncation.

[Fischer, MQH '20]

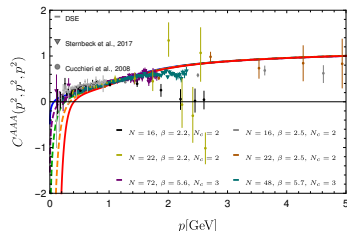
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[Maas '19; MQH '20]

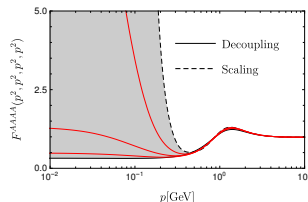
Three-gluon vertex:



[Cucchieri, Maas, Mendes '08; Sternbeck et al. '17; MQH '20]

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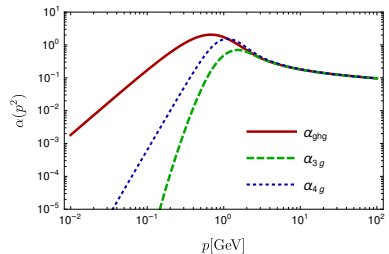


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