

# Calculating transitions on the lattice

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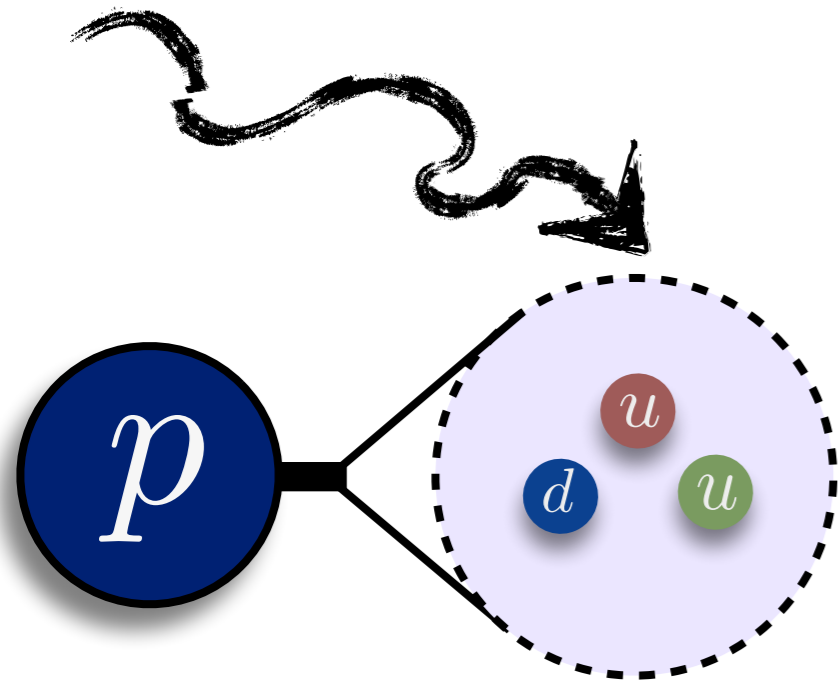
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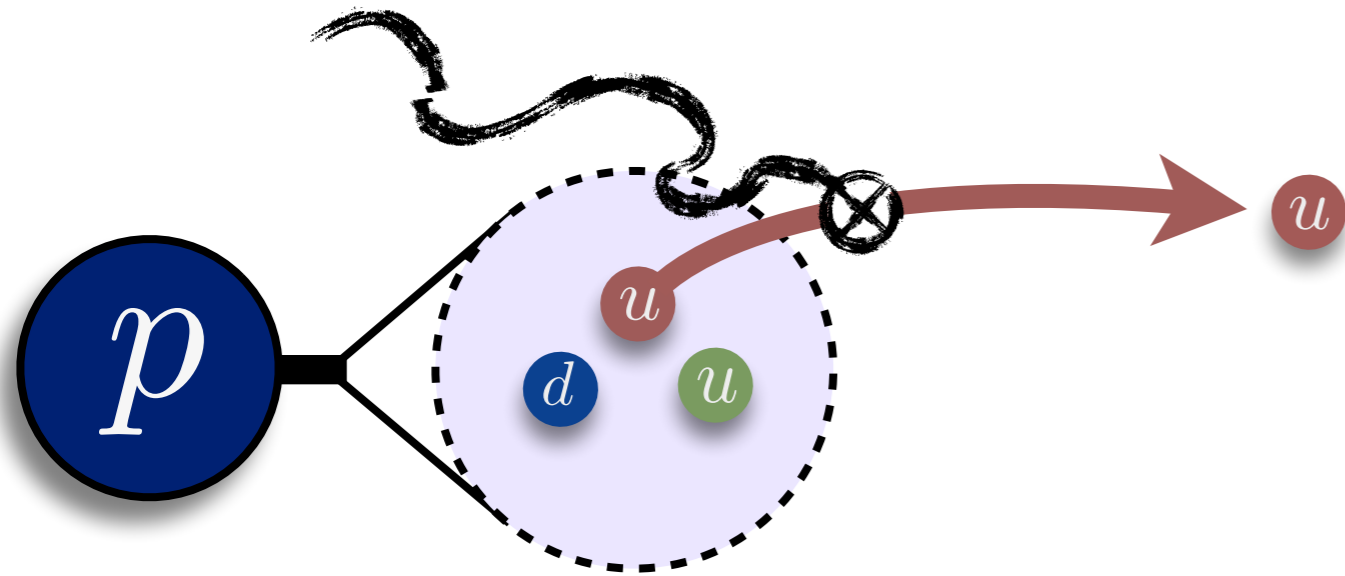
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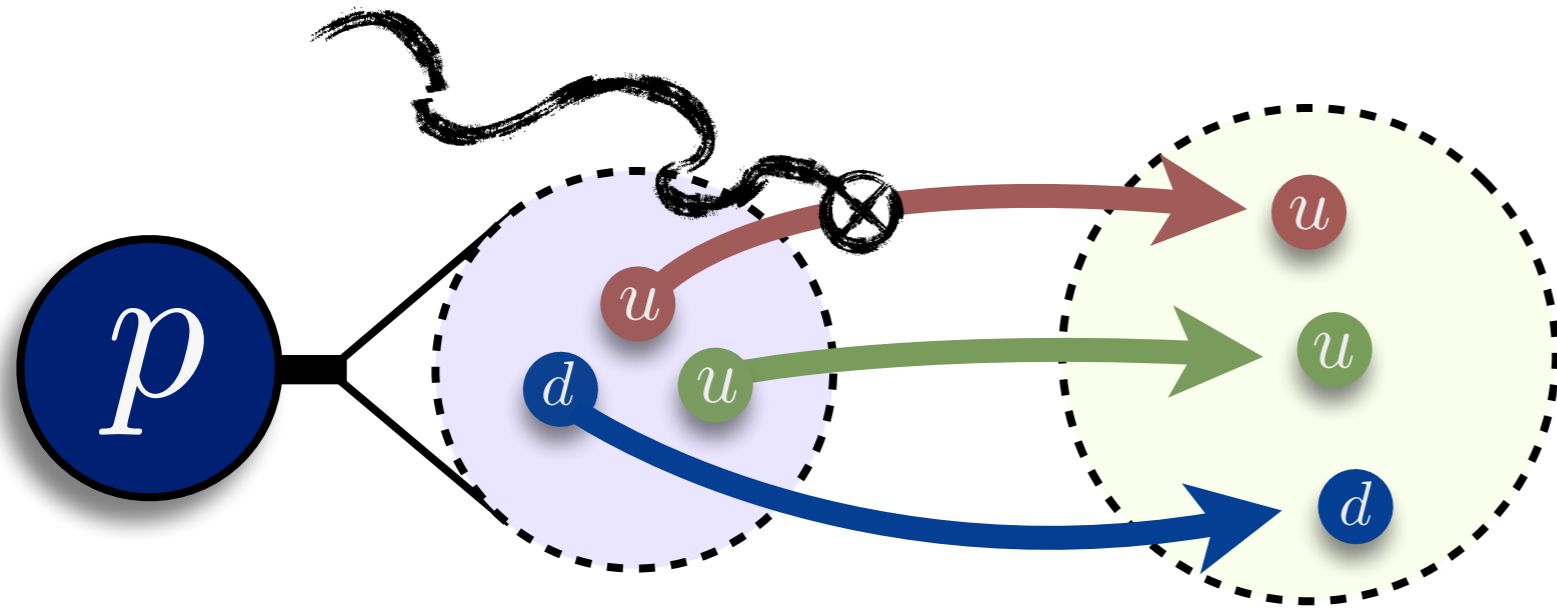
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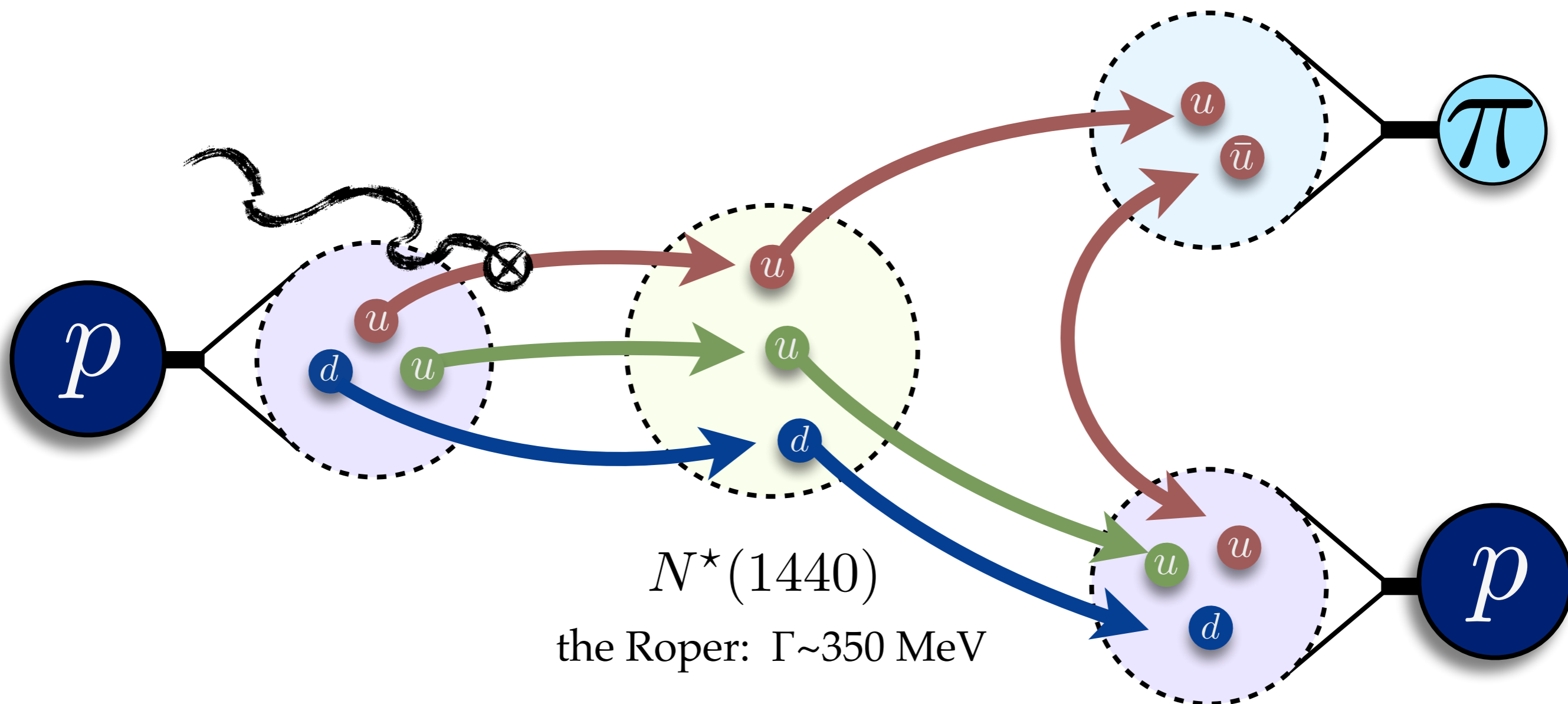


$N^*(1440)$

the Roper:  $\Gamma \sim 350$  MeV

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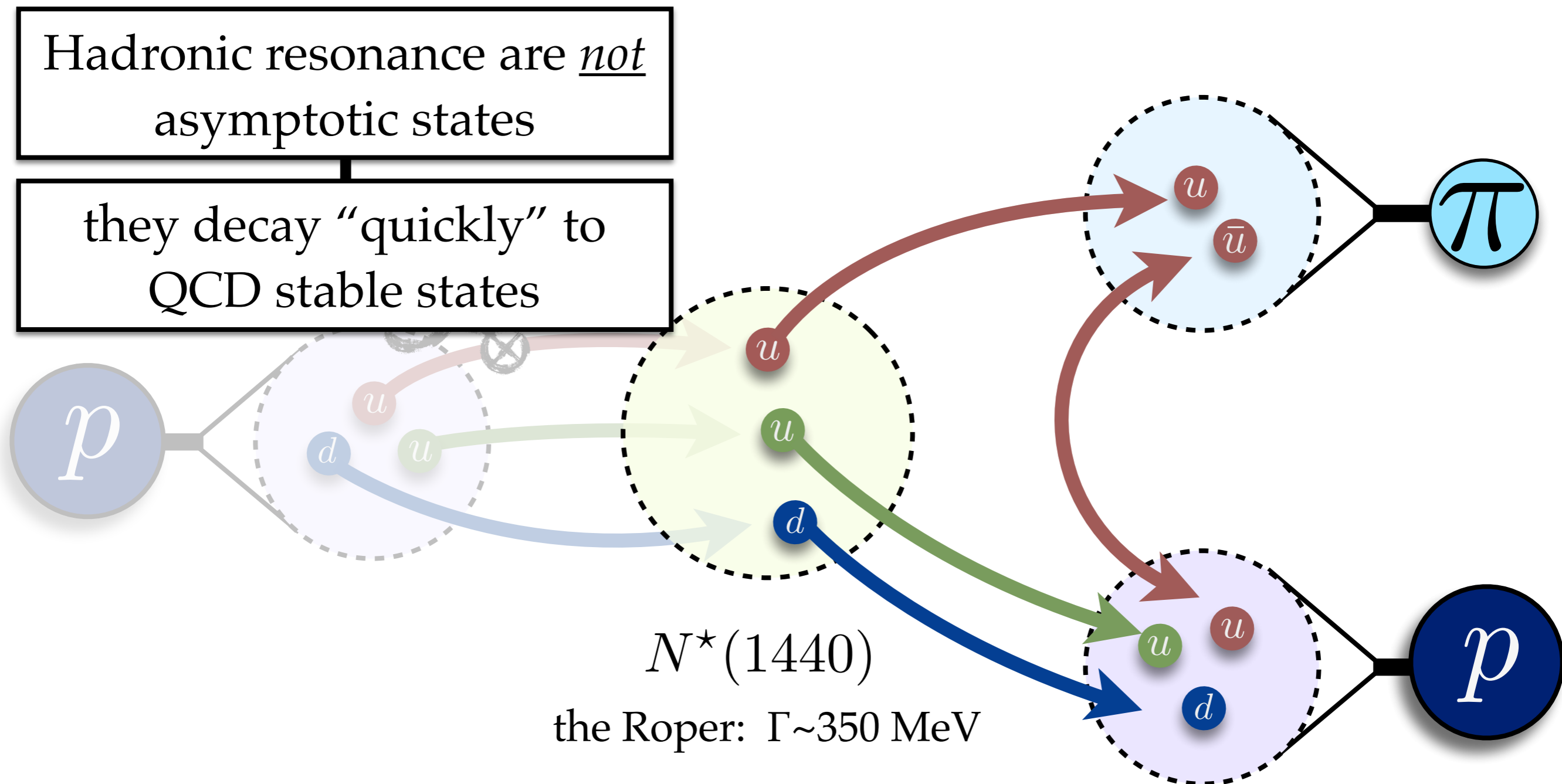


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Hadronic resonance are *not*  
asymptotic states

they decay “quickly” to  
QCD stable states



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Lattice QCD, the only available theoretical tool that:

- Is non-perturbative in QCD
- Generates resonating states dynamically
- Allows resonances to decay in accordance to QCD
- Treats QED effects perturbatively (or non-perturbatively)
- ...

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# Seemingly impossible

## Finite volume - a necessity for lattice QCD

- No asymptotic states, i.e., no scattering, resonances, etc.
- Challenging, but *not* an limitation
- Finite volume effects allow us to determine the S-matrix

### Proof for radiative processes:



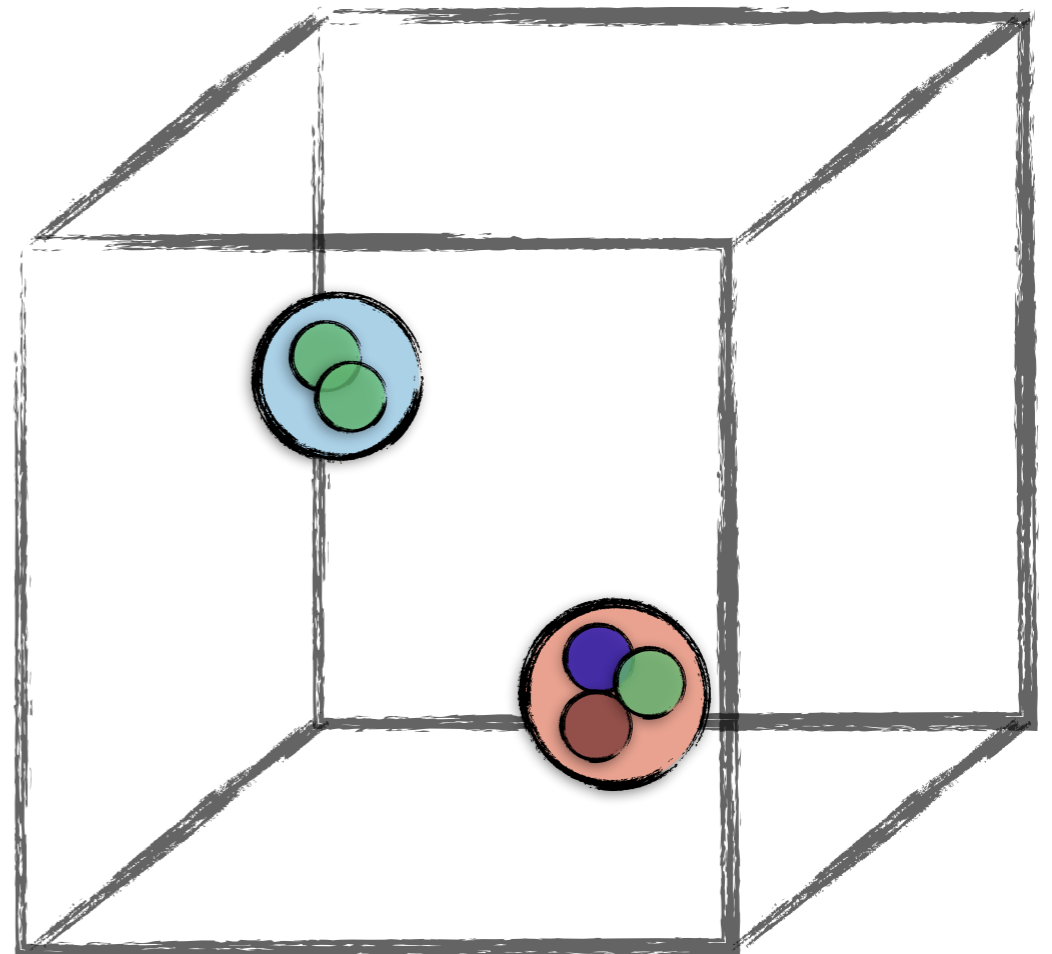
Hansen  
(Mainz)



Walker-Loud  
(JLab/W&M)

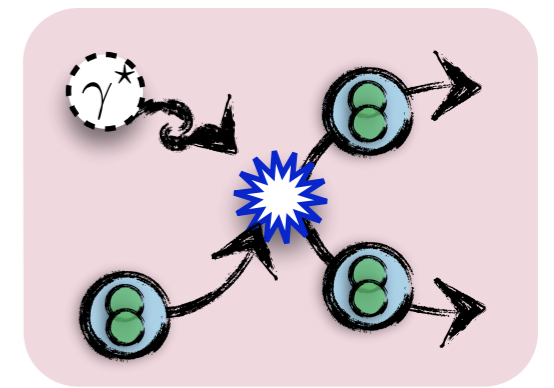
RB, Hansen & Walker-Loud (2014)

RB & Hansen (2015)





$$\pi\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$$



• Exploratory  $\pi\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi / \pi\gamma^* \rightarrow q$  calculation

• proof of principle / demonstration

•  $m_\pi \sim 400 \text{ MeV}$

• Over 500 matrix elements are measured:

corresponding to 48 different kinematic point

**HadSpec  
Collaboration**

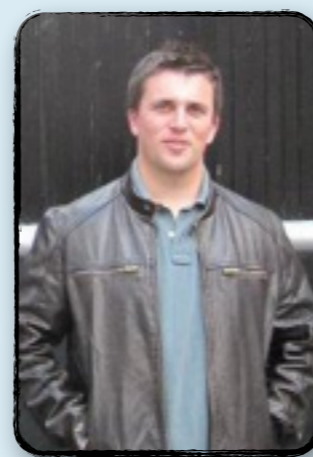
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Dudek



Edwards



Shultz



Thomas



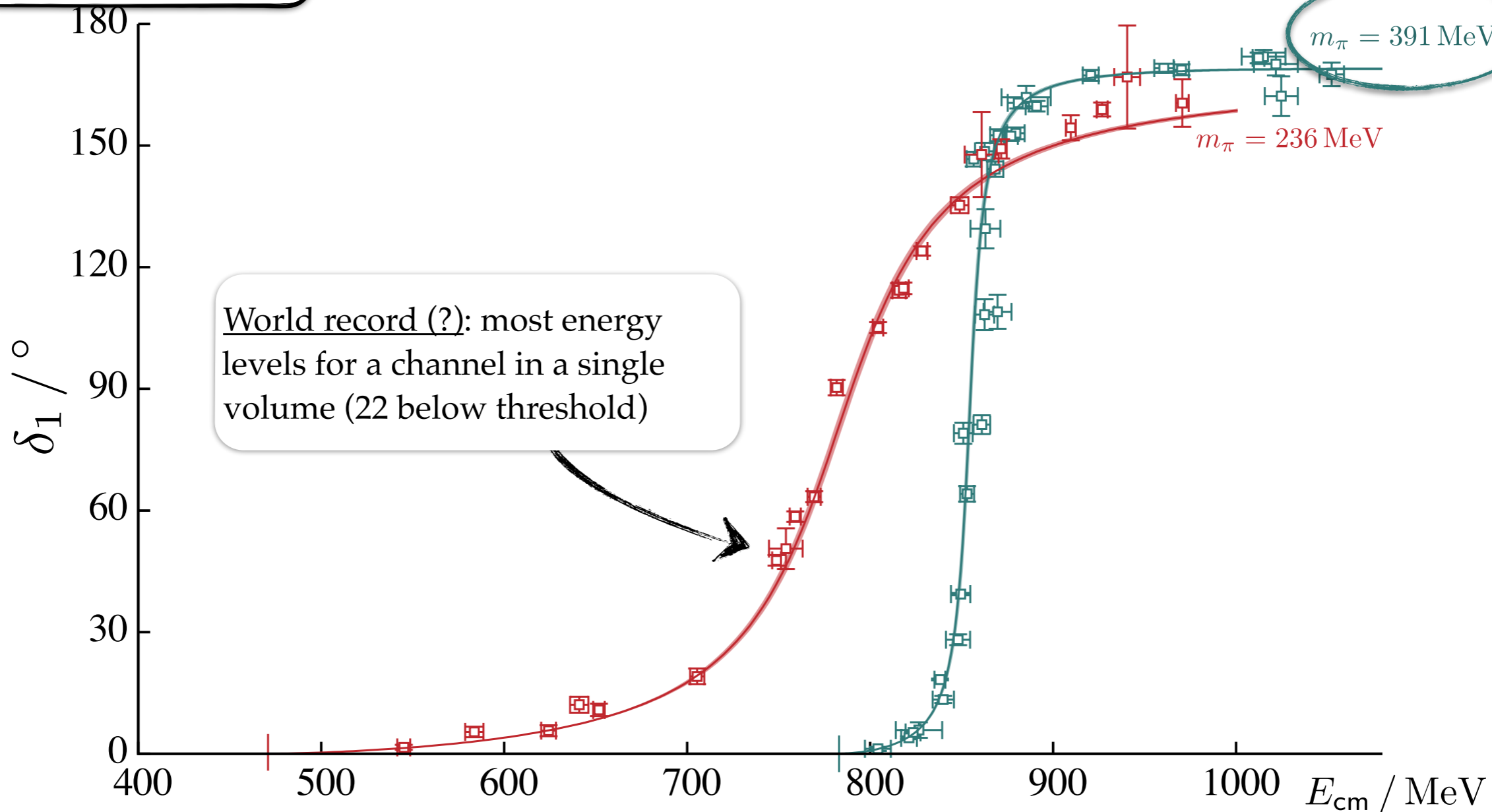
Wilson

# Elastic $\pi\pi$ scattering

(spectrum and interpretation)

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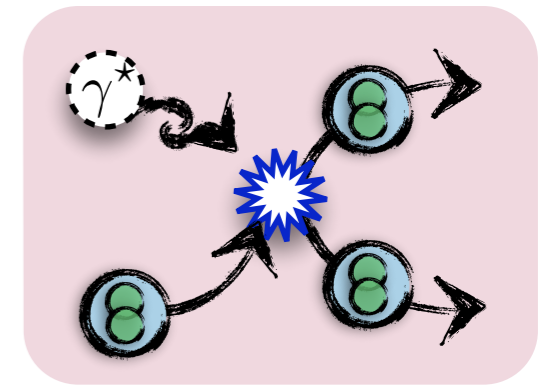


$\pi\pi$  in  $I=1$  channel

Dudek, Edwards & Thomas (2012)  
Wilson, Briceño, Dudek, Edwards & Thomas (2015)

# $\pi\gamma^*$ -to- $\pi\pi$

(a sketch)



On the lattice we calculate:  $L \langle \pi; P_\pi | \mathcal{J}_{x=0}^\mu | \pi\pi; P_{\pi\pi} \rangle L$

This can be *mapped* to :  $\langle \text{out}; \pi, P_\pi | \mathcal{J}_{x=0}^\mu | \text{in}; \pi\pi, P_{\pi\pi}, \ell = 1 \rangle$

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This gives us:

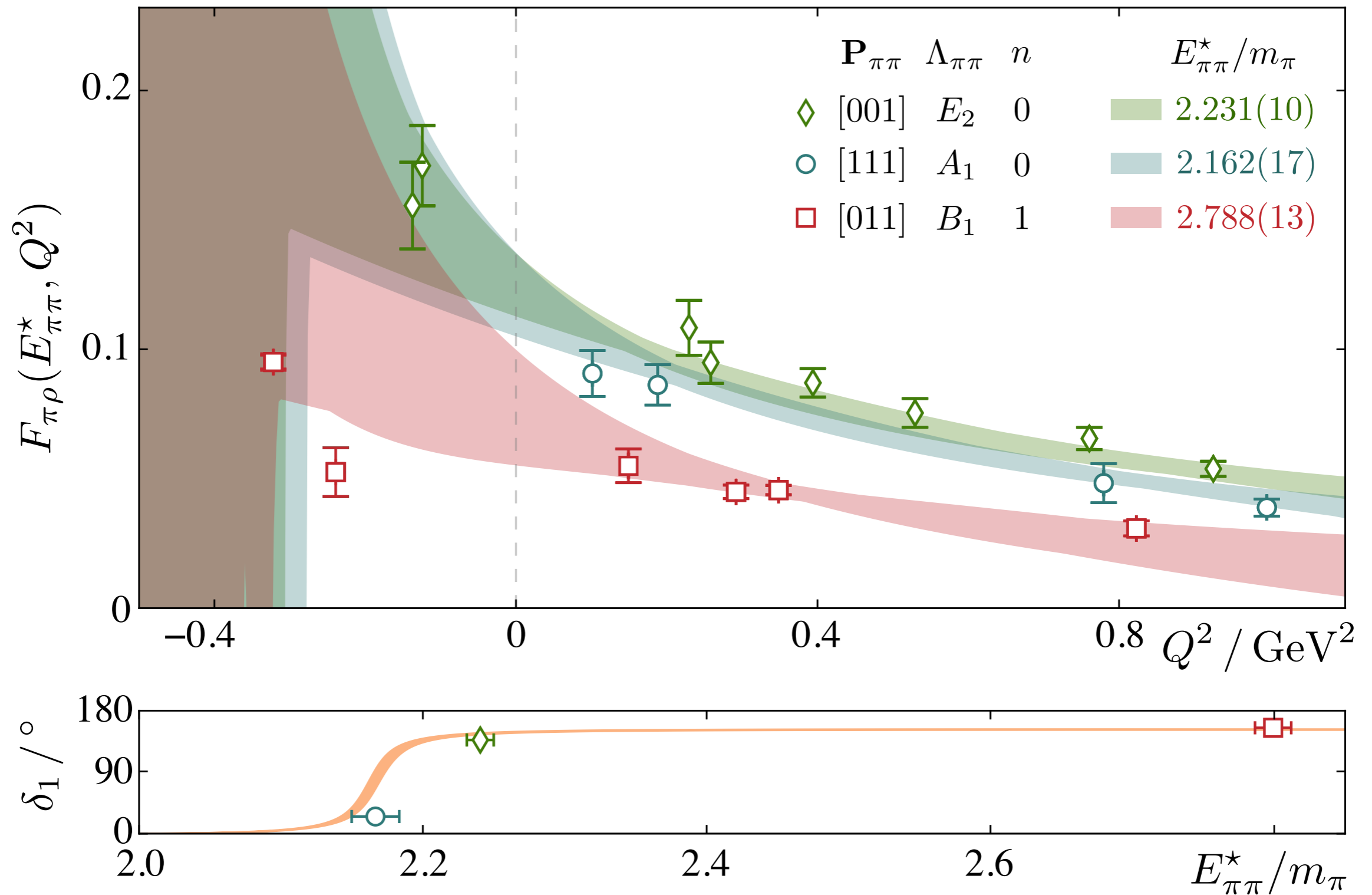
• energy-dependent  $\pi$ -to- $q$  form factor

•  $\pi\gamma^*$ -to- $\pi\pi$  amplitude for arbitrary virtuality

•  $\pi\gamma^*$ -to- $\pi\pi$  cross section

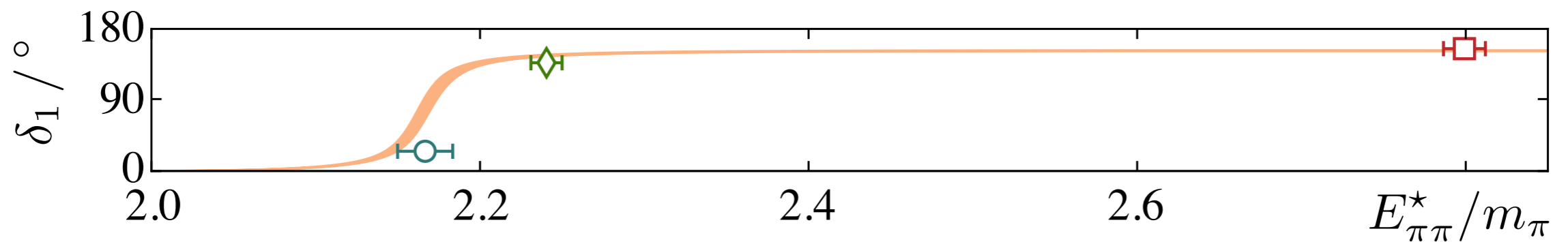
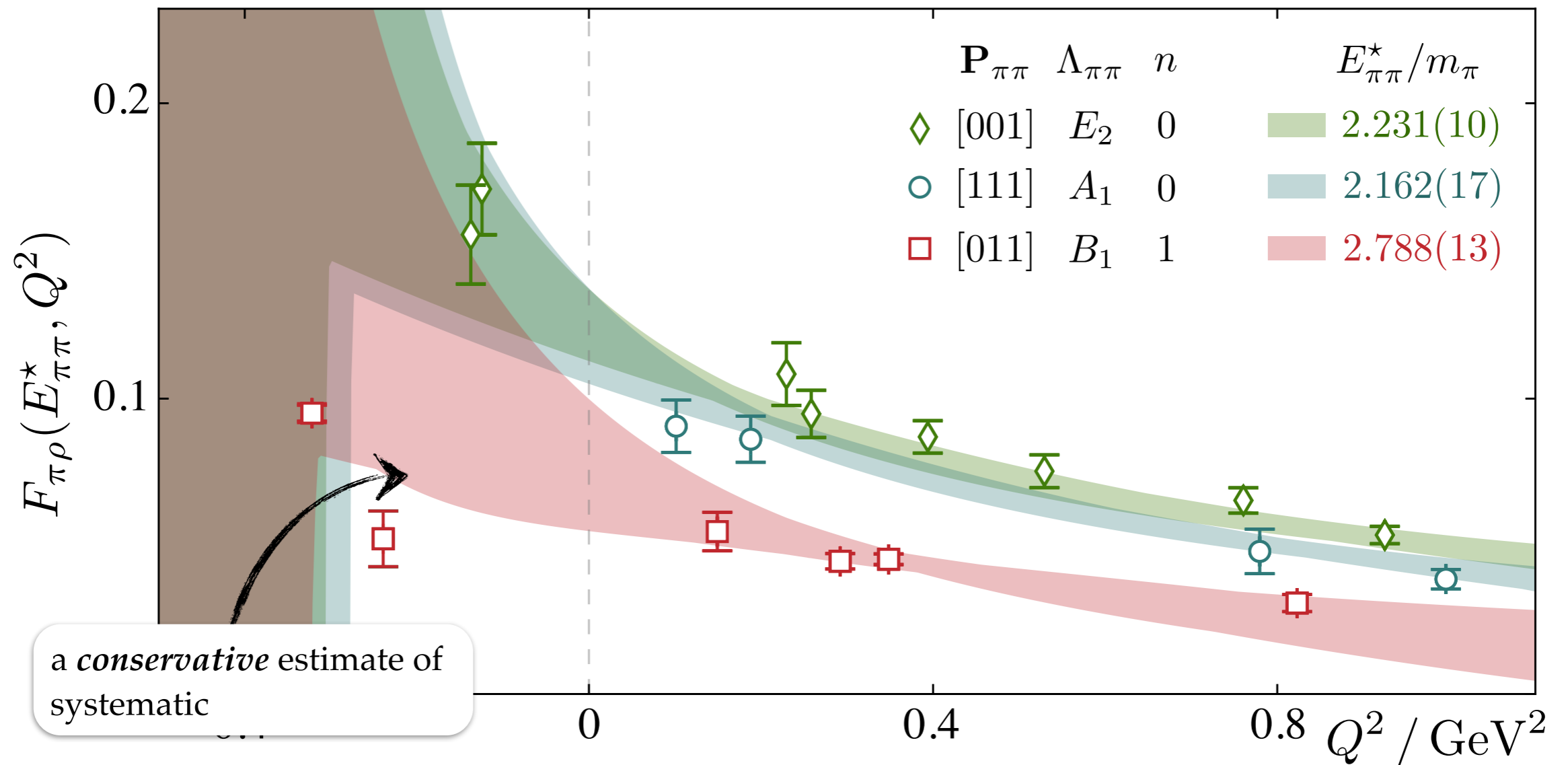
} not independent

# Form factor



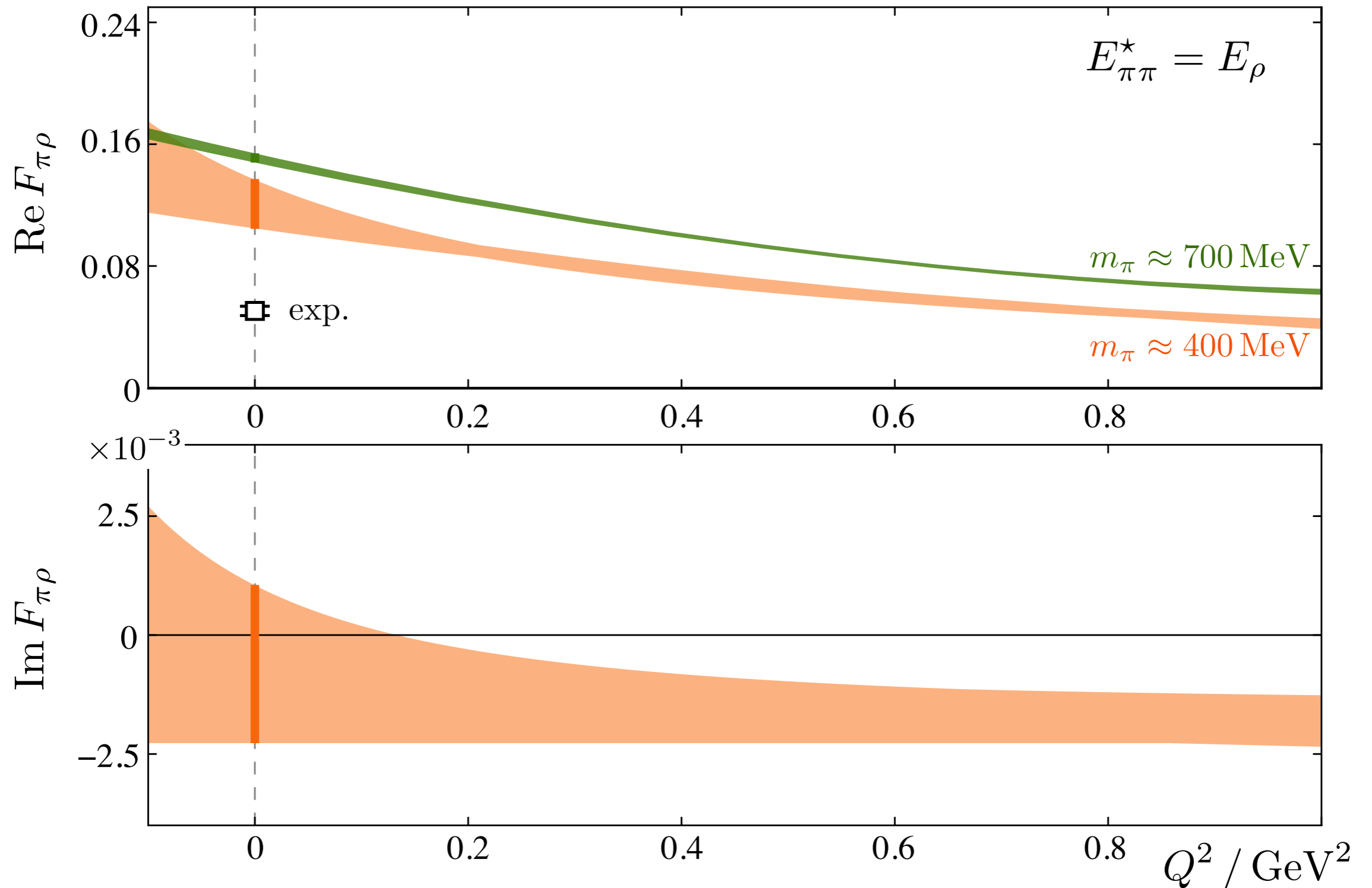
$\pi\pi$  cm energy

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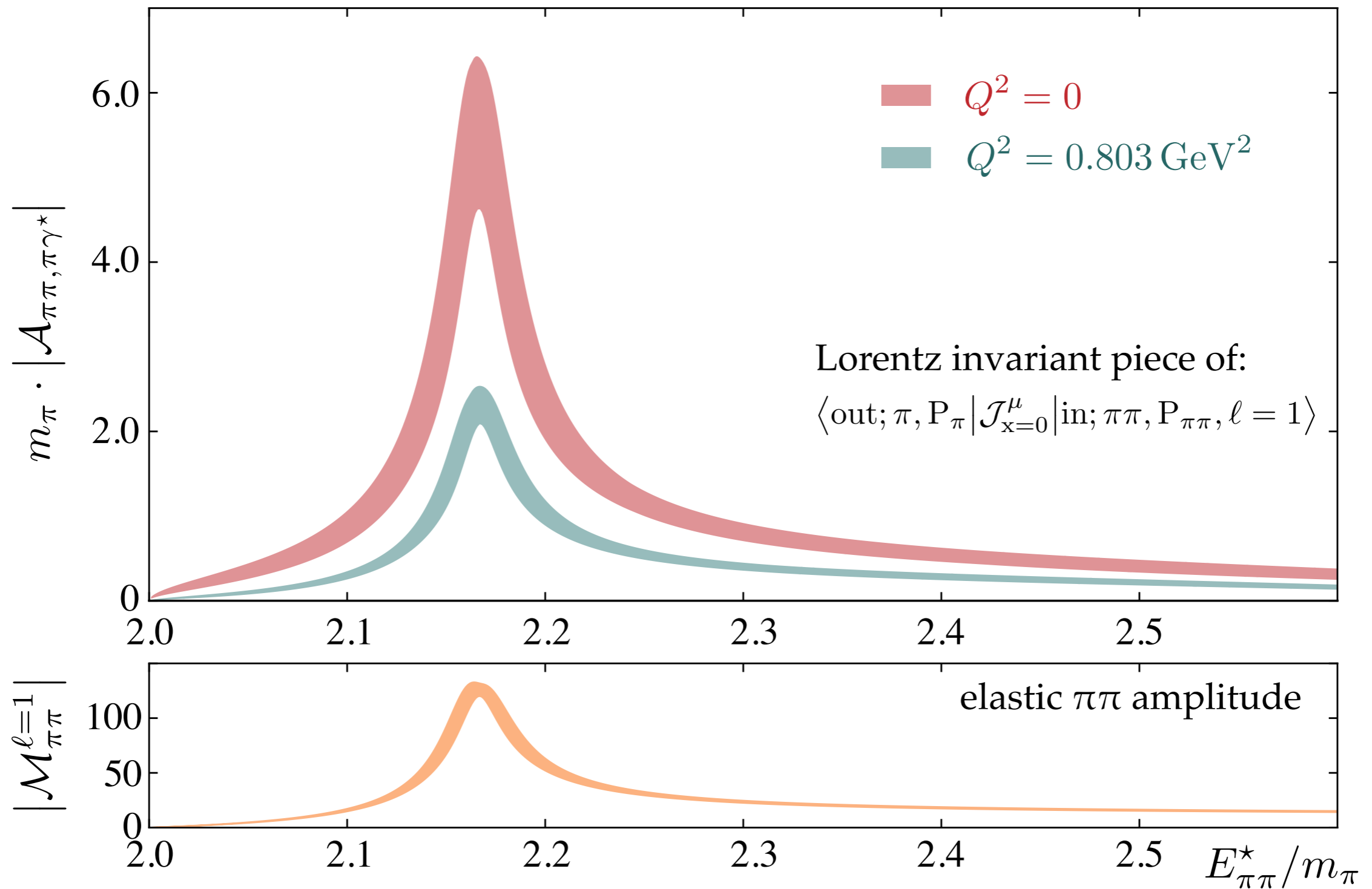


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# Form factor at $\rho$ pole

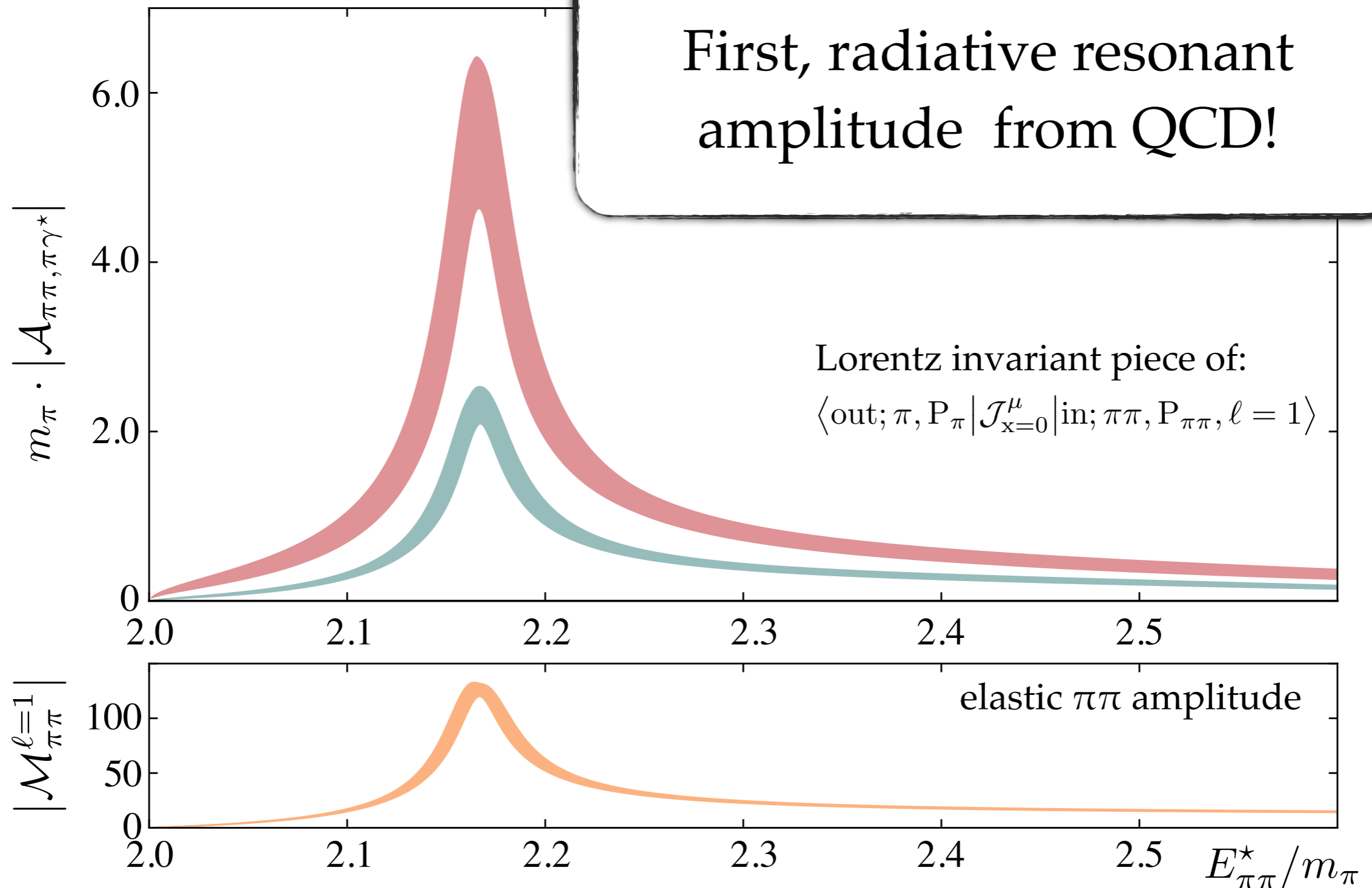


# $\pi\gamma^*$ -to- $\pi\pi$ amplitude



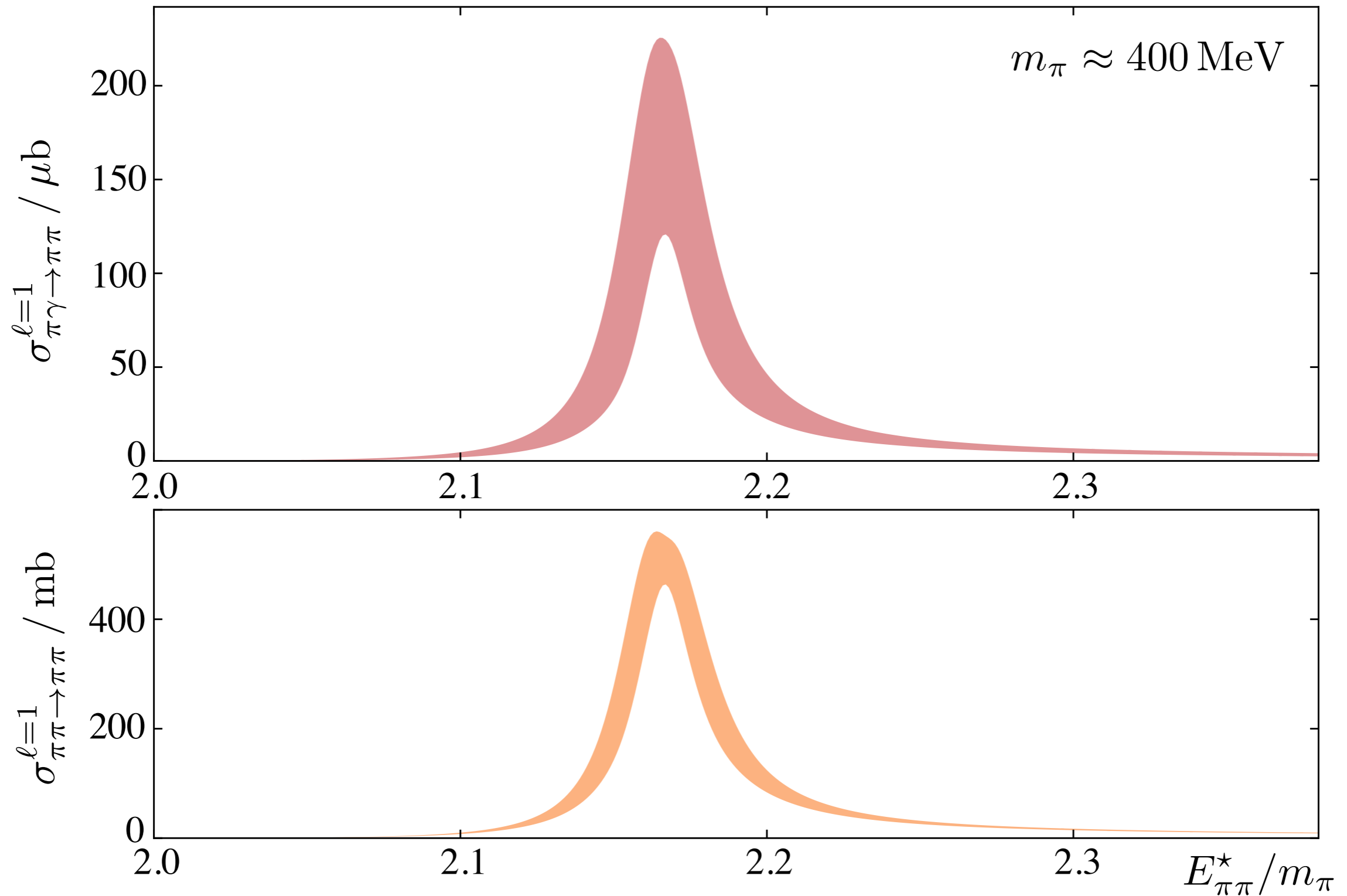
# $\pi\gamma^*$ -to- $\pi\pi$ amplitude

First, radiative resonant amplitude from QCD!





# $\pi\gamma^*$ -to- $\pi\pi$ cross section



# The Future!

(on-going *formal* efforts)

Elastic form factor of resonance:  
(e.g.,  $N\pi$ -to- $N\pi\gamma^*$ )

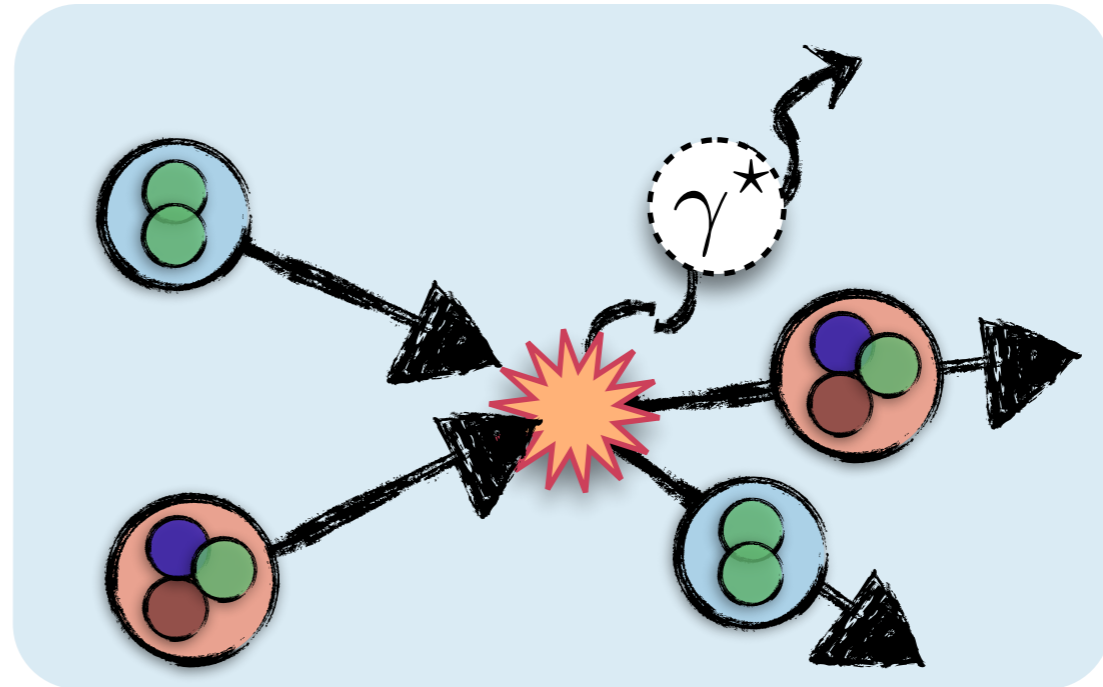
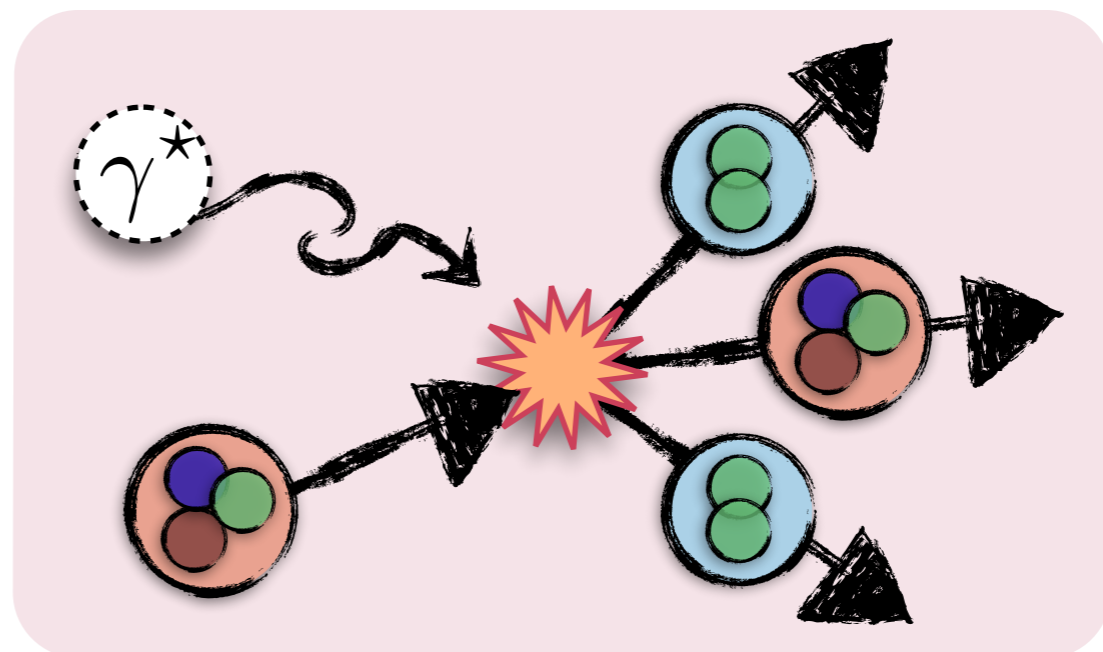


Photo-production of two mesons:  
(e.g.,  $N\gamma^*$ -to- $N\pi\pi$ )



Hansen  
(Mainz)