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resonances, scattering, elastic phase-shifts

lattice QCD

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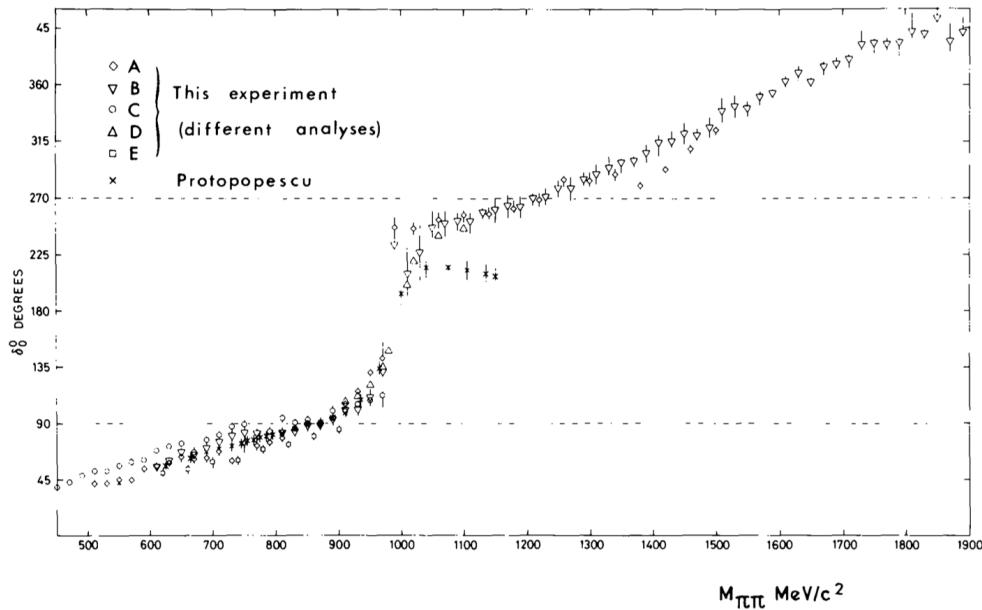
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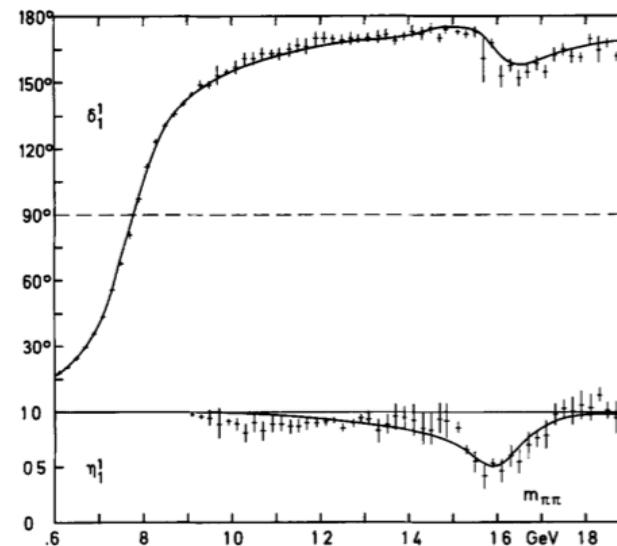
rigorously determining resonances

# the “simplest” case: $\pi\pi$ elastic scattering

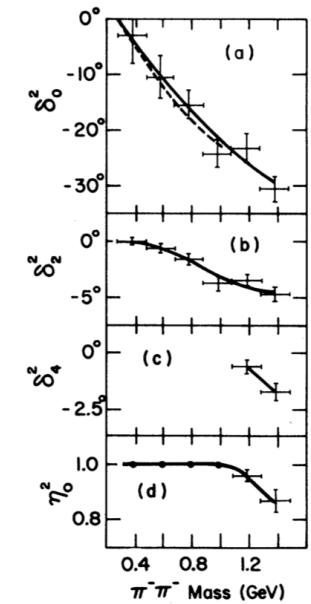
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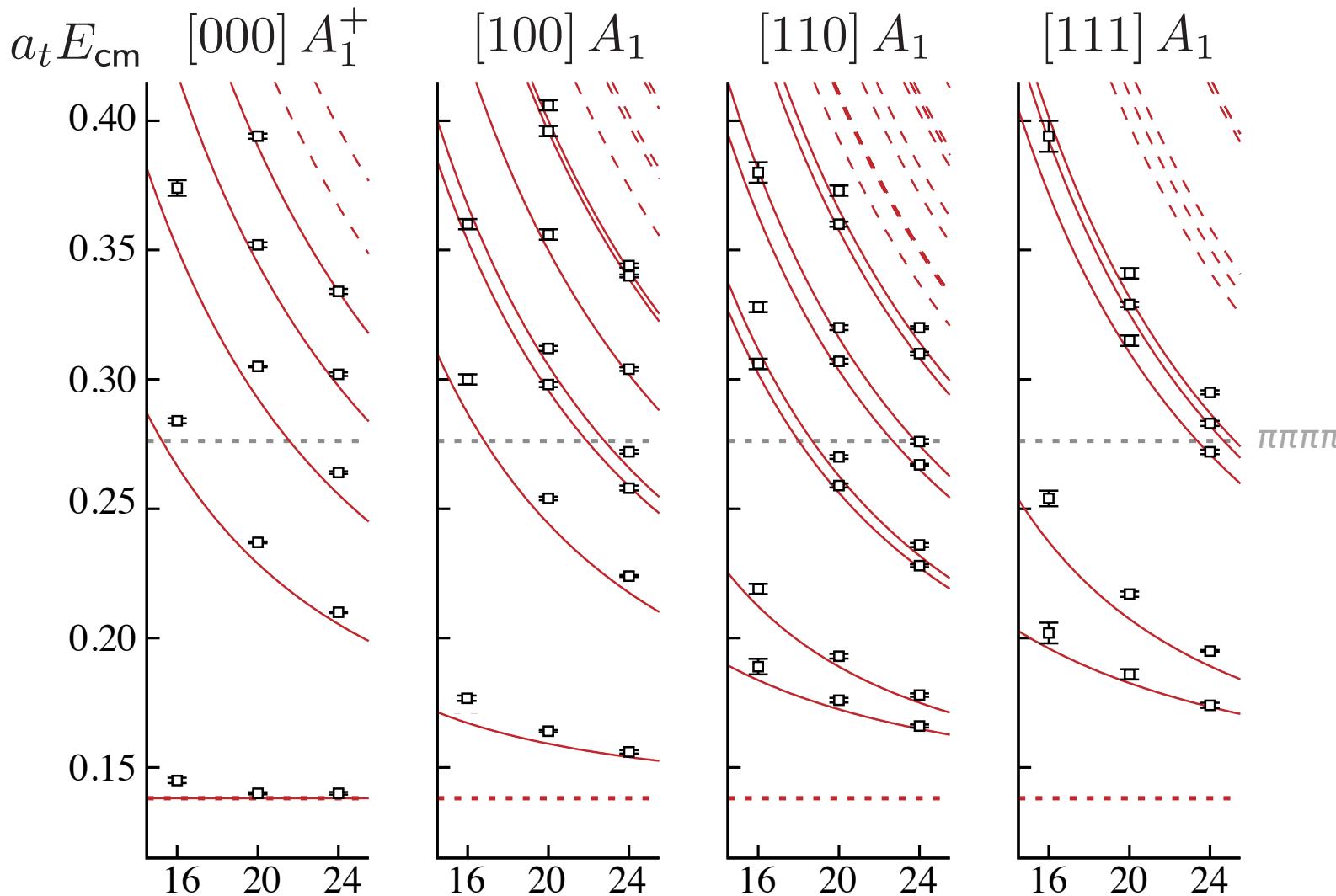
a first target: can a first-principles QCD calculation lead to these kinds of behaviour ?

a next target: can we understand these behaviours in terms of resonances ?

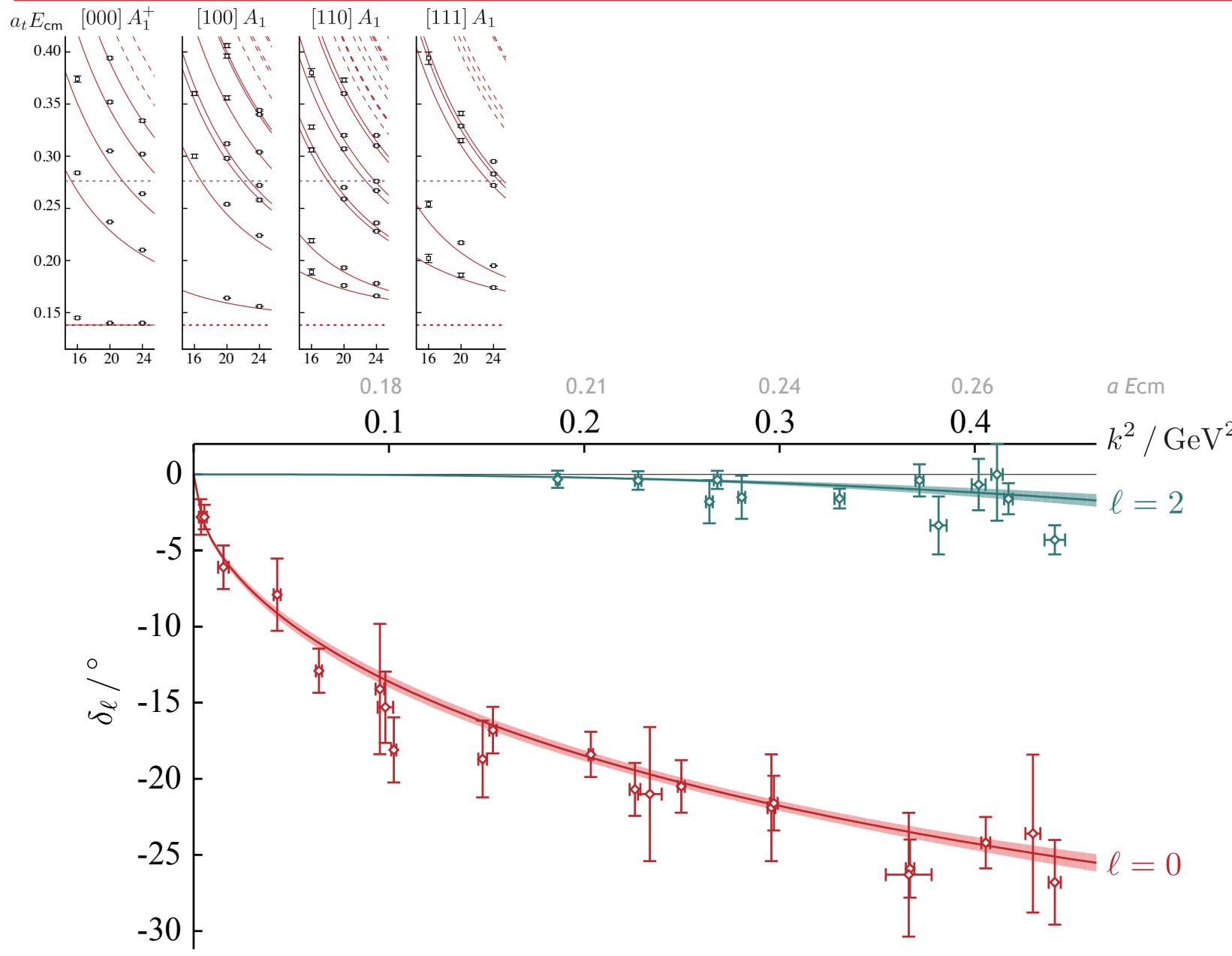
an ultimate target: can we understand the quark-gluon make-up of these resonances ?

[ basis of  $\pi\pi$ -like operators only ]

[ computed in three volumes ]



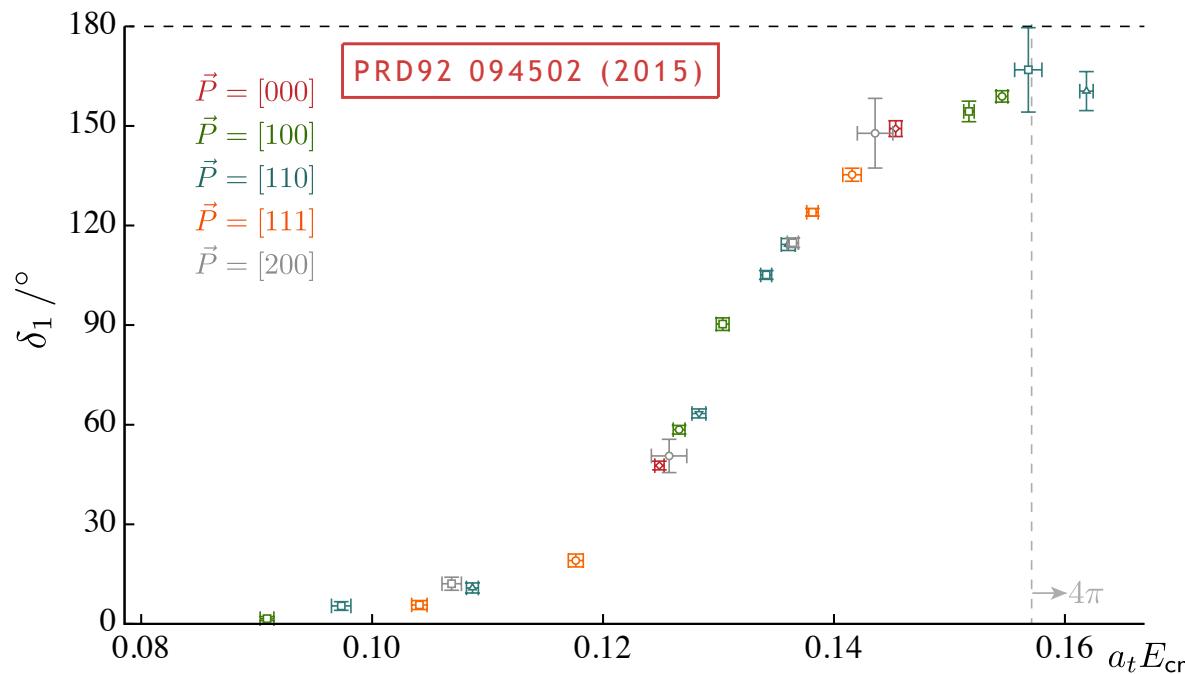
& spectra in irreps  
with lowest  $\ell=2$   
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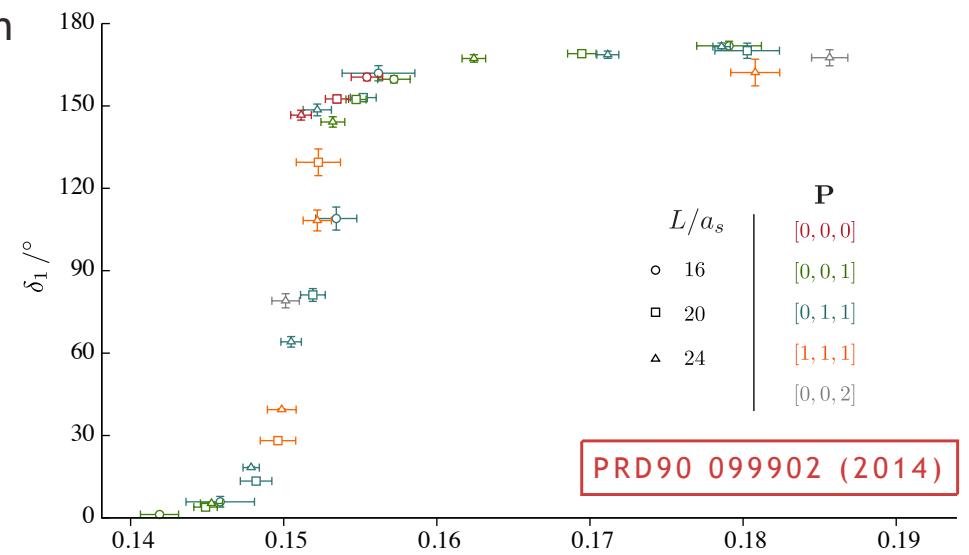
Cohen 1972

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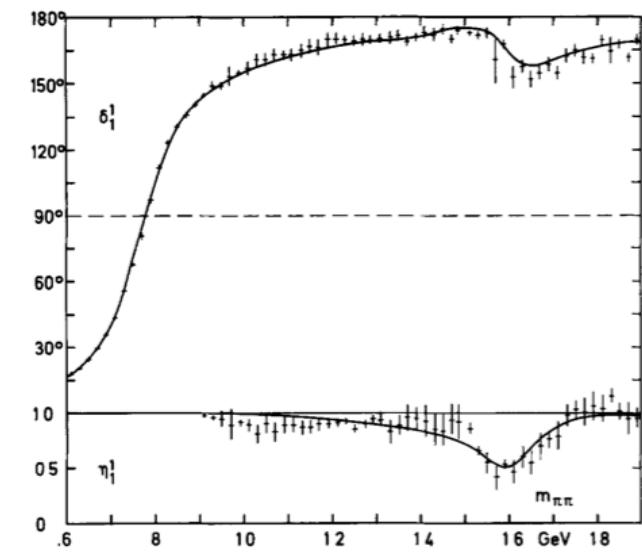
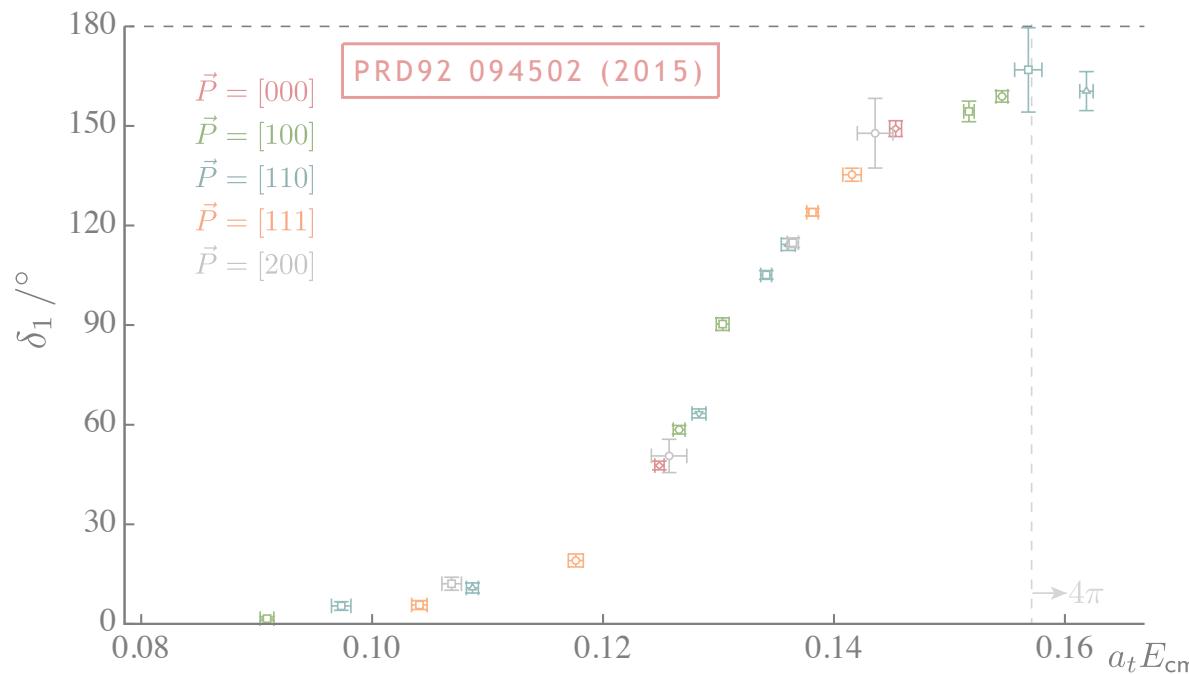


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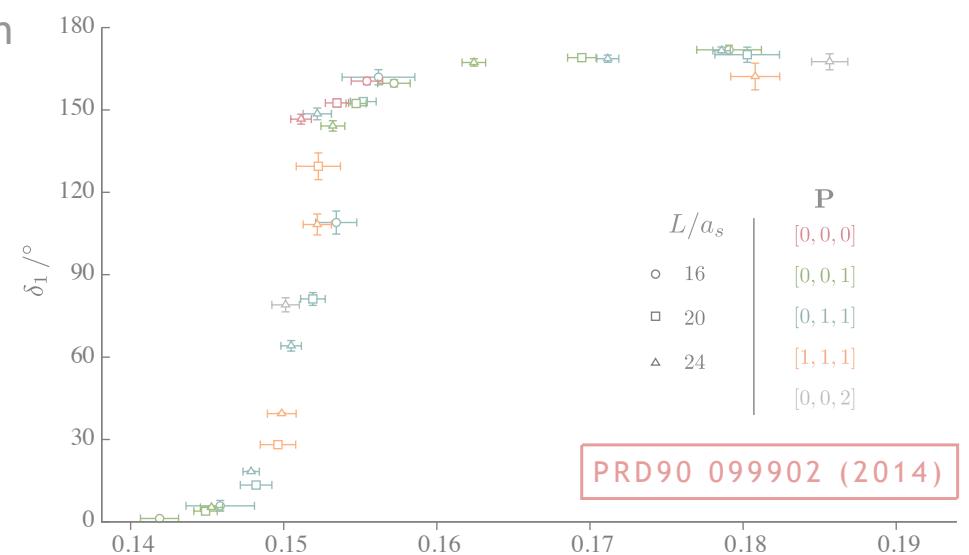


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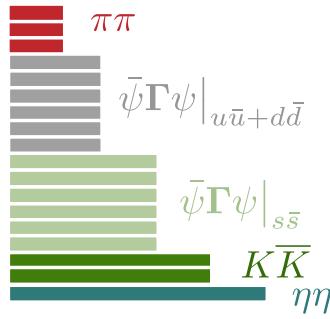


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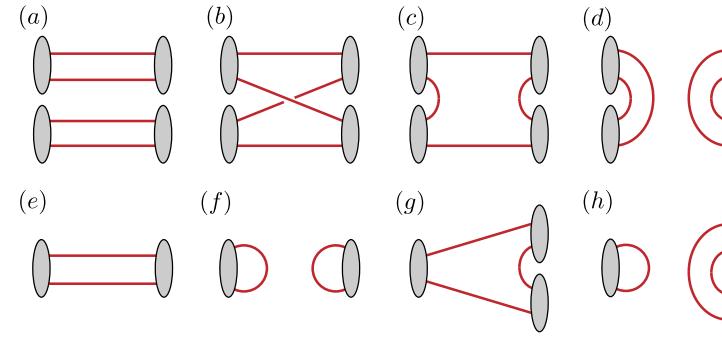


this is the hardest one by far ...

## operator basis



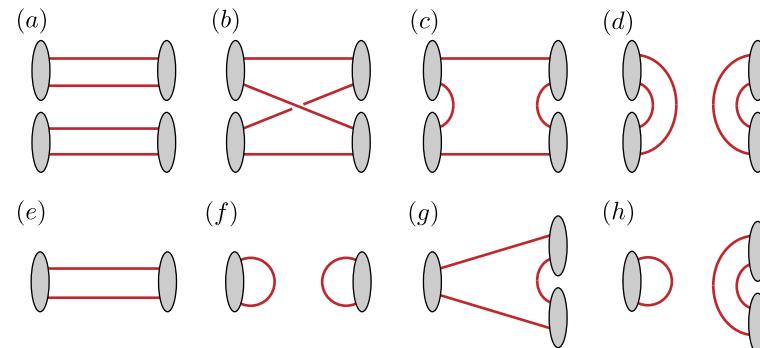
## Wick diagrams



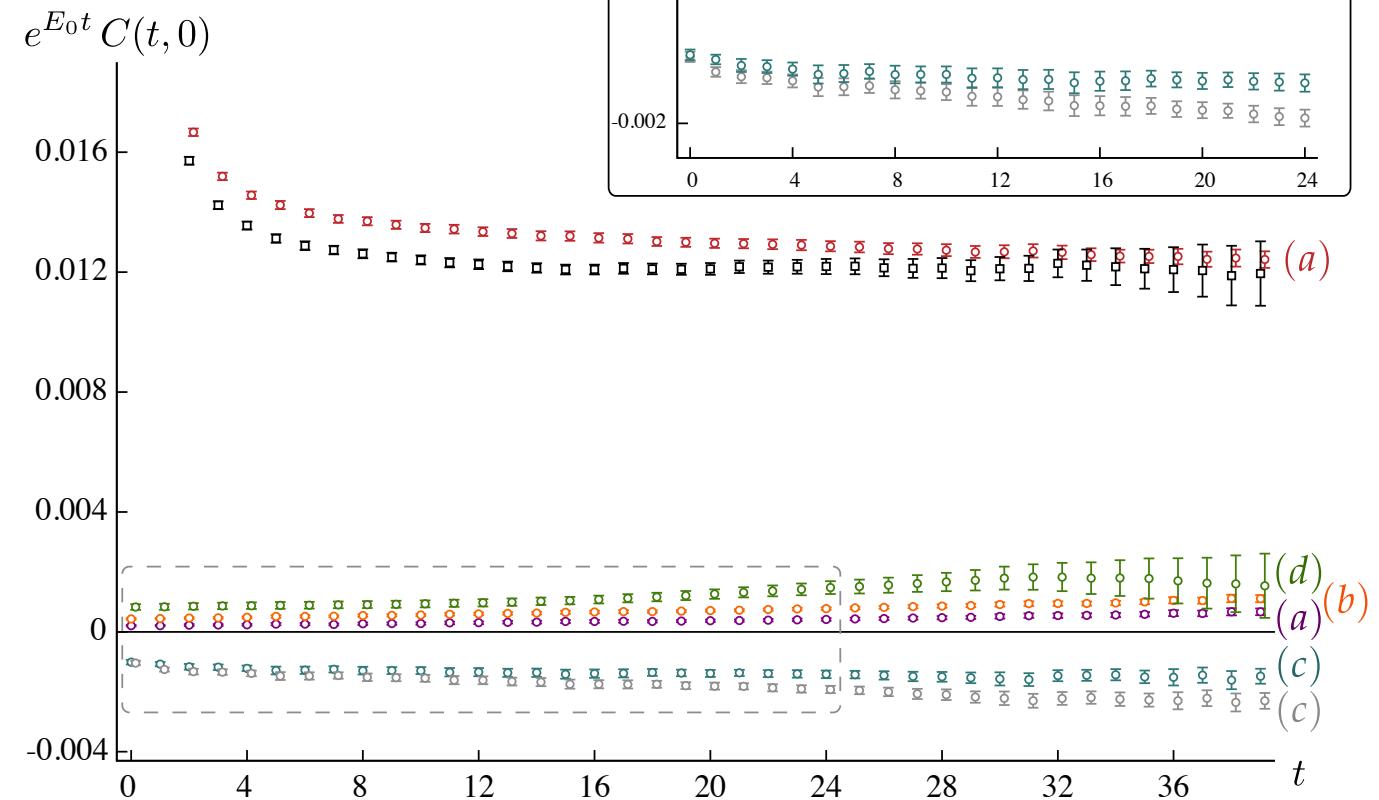
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a single entry of the correlation matrix –  $\pi\pi$ -like operator :

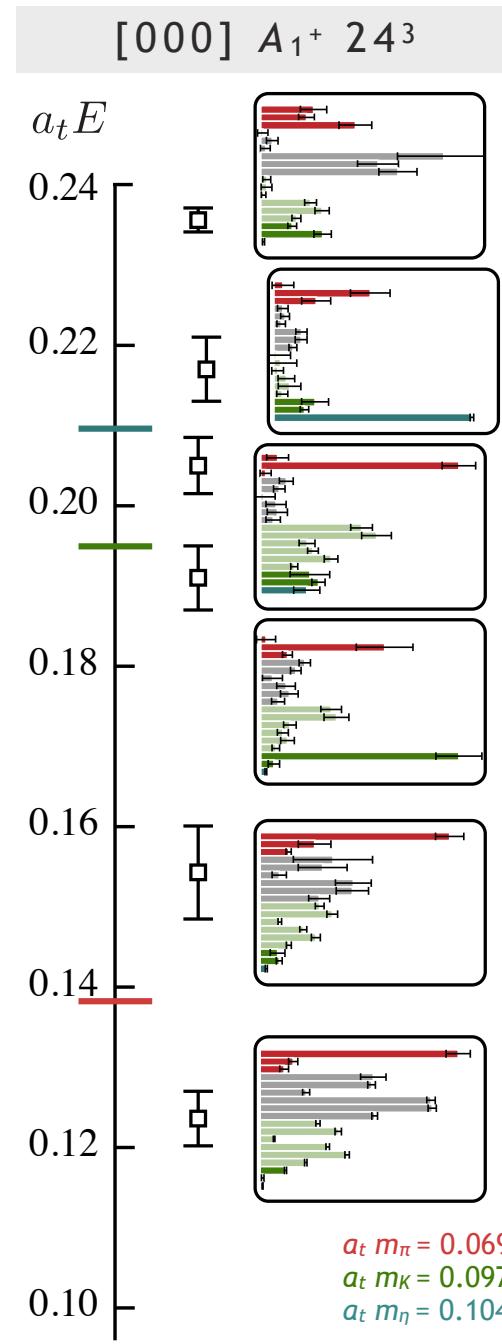
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 $32^3 \times 256$



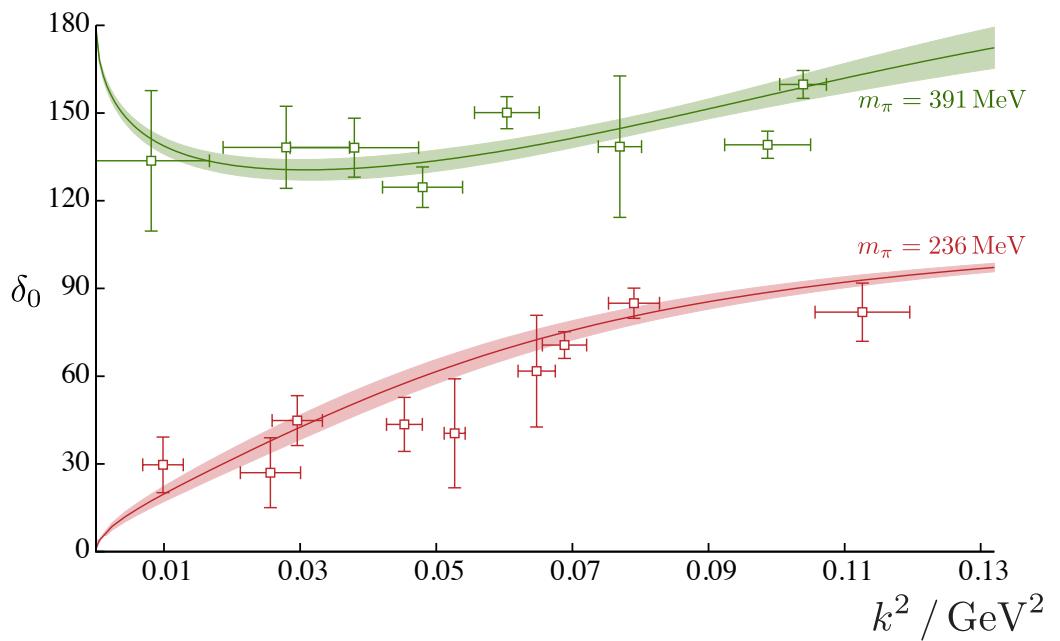
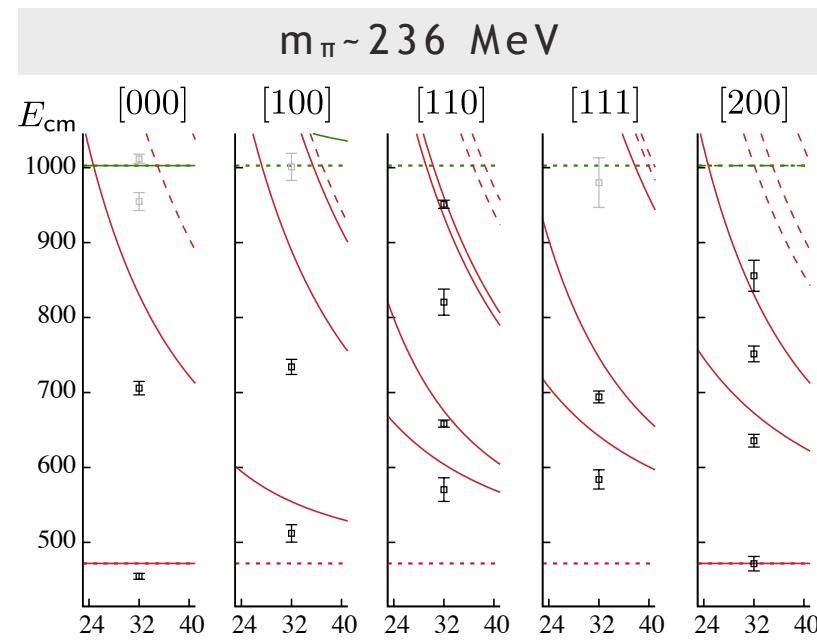
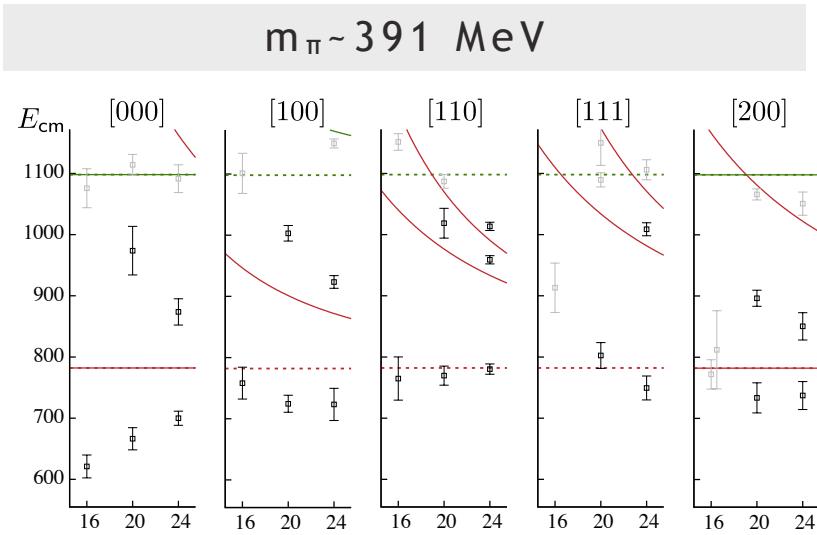
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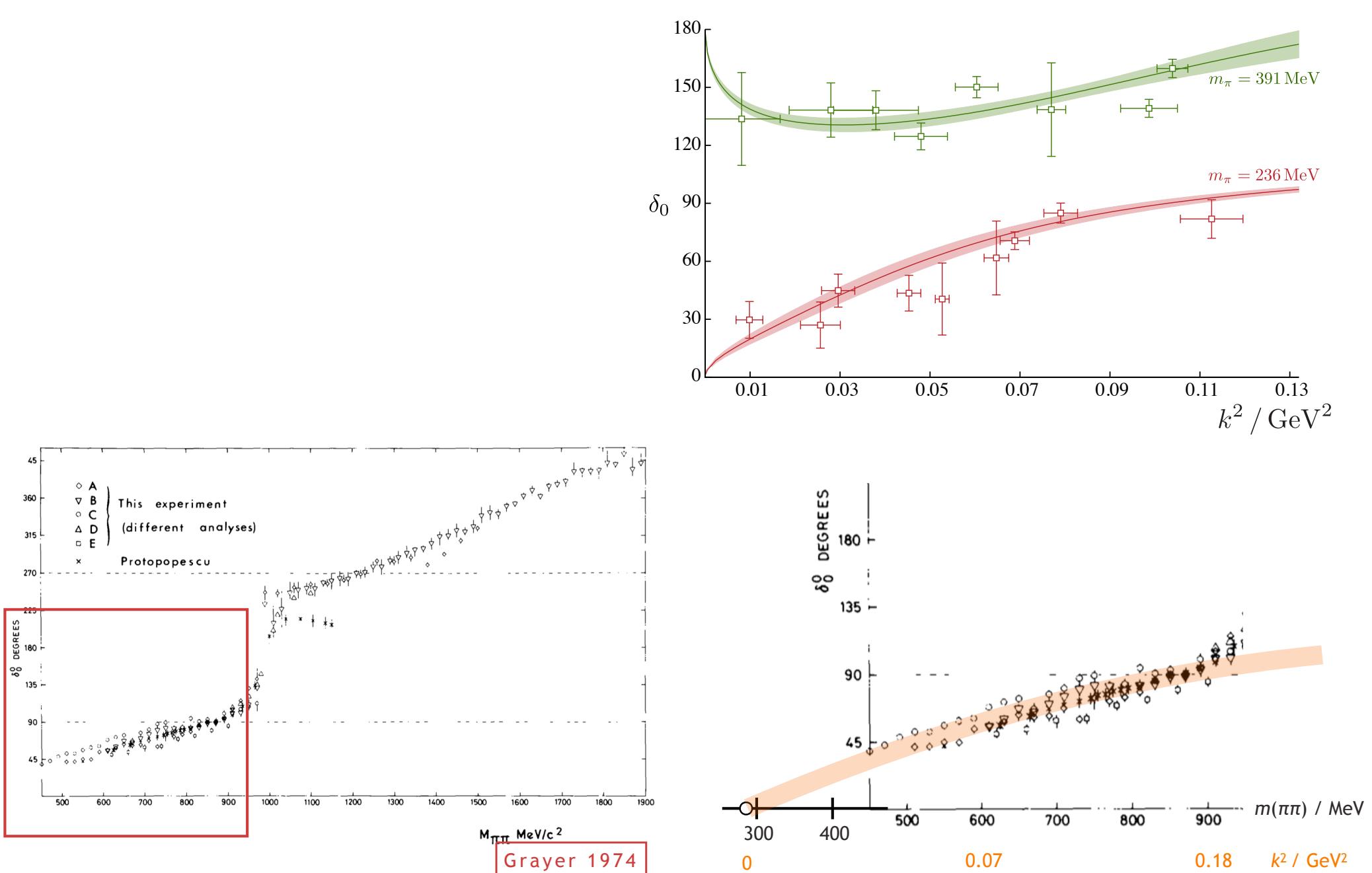


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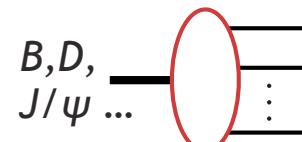
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# producing meson resonances

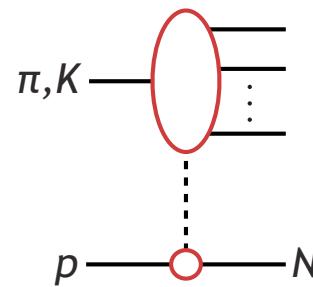
some example processes:

heavy flavour decays



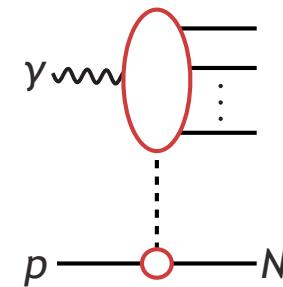
e.g. LHCb

peripheral meson hadroproduction



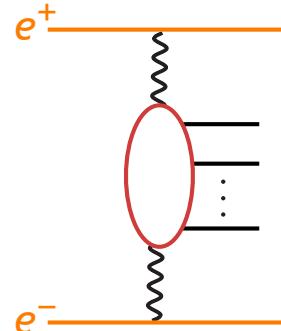
e.g. COMPASS

peripheral meson photoproduction



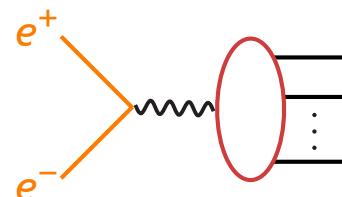
e.g. GlueX

two photon fusion



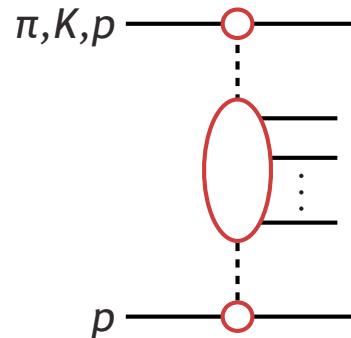
e.g. Belle

$e^+e^-$  annihilation



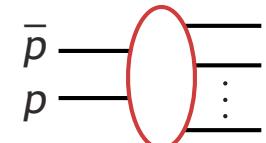
e.g. BES III

central production



e.g. WA102

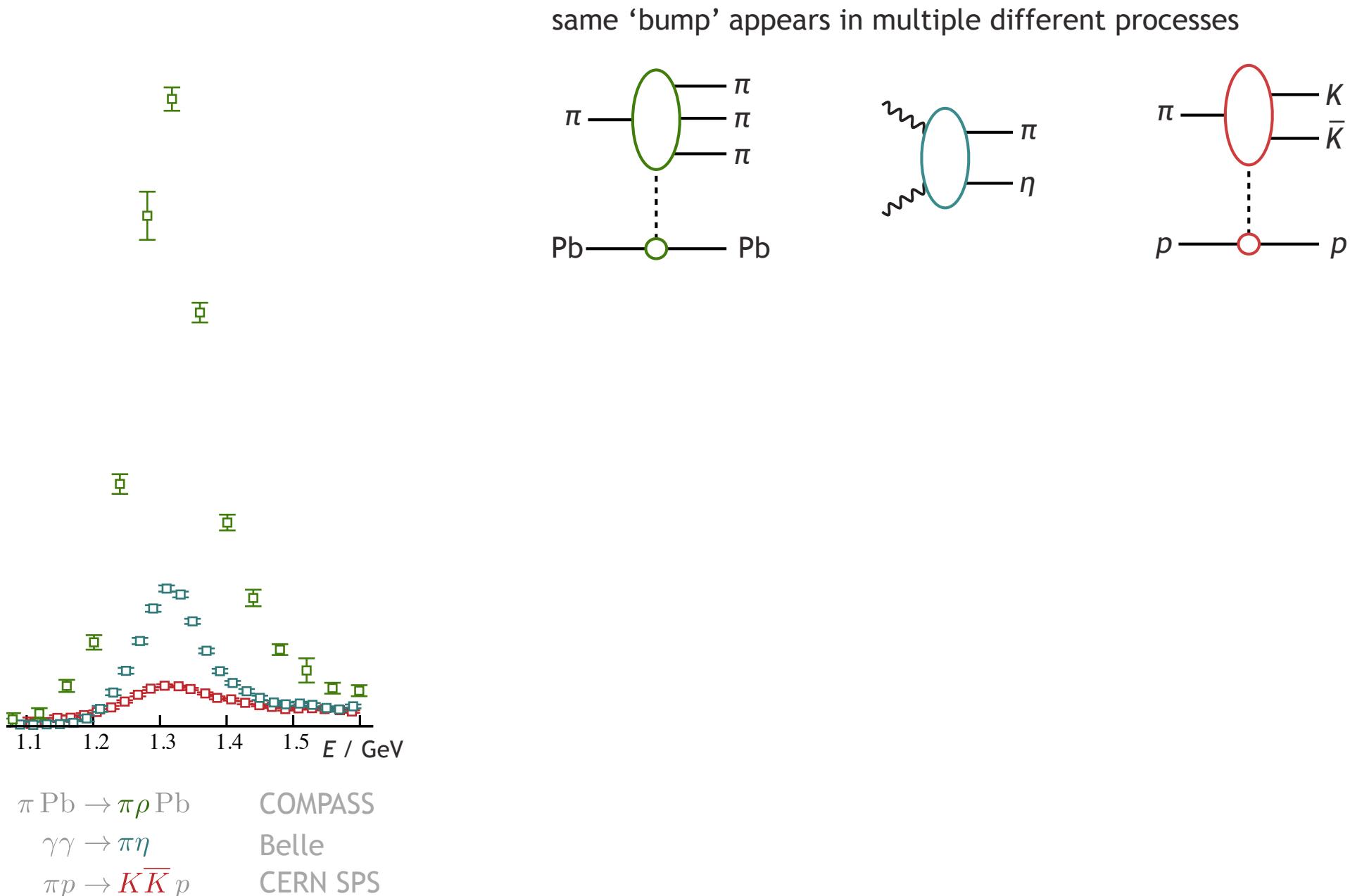
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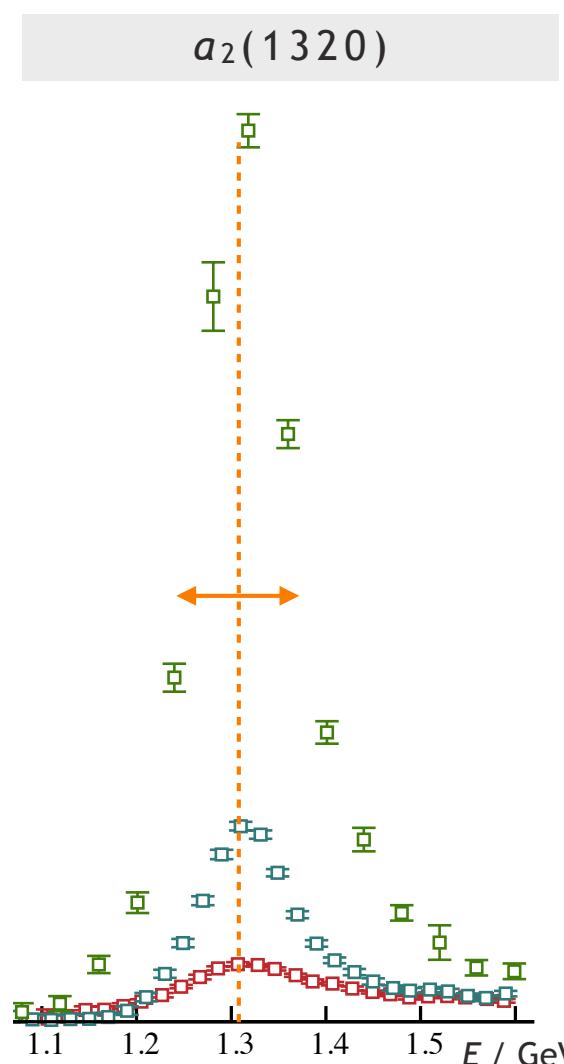
e.g. Crystal Barrel

many decades of accumulated data ...

# 'straightforward' coupled-channel resonances

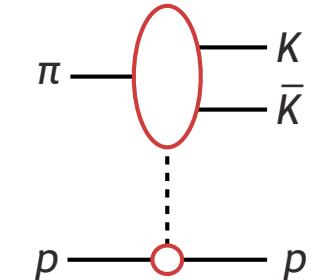
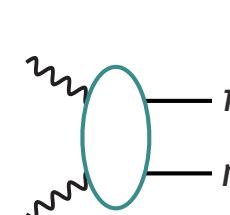
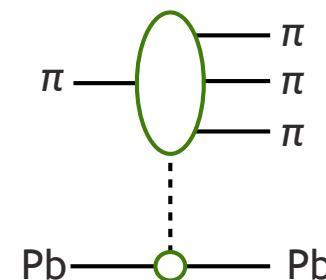


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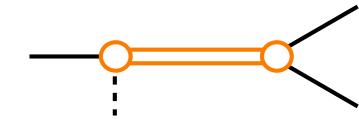
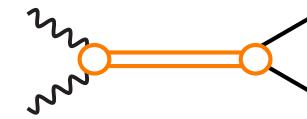
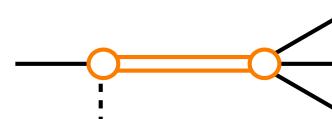


$\pi \text{ Pb} \rightarrow \pi \rho \text{ Pb}$       COMPASS  
 $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \pi\eta$       Belle  
 $\pi p \rightarrow K\bar{K} p$       CERN SPS

same 'bump' appears in multiple different processes ...



... due to same  $a_2$  resonance



## pdg summary entry

**$a_2(1320)$**

$I^G(J^{PC}) = 1^-(2^{++})$

Mass  $m = 1318.3^{+0.5}_{-0.6}$  MeV

Full width  $\Gamma = 107 \pm 5$  MeV

### $a_2(1320)$ DECAY MODES

Fraction ( $\Gamma_i/\Gamma$ )

$3\pi$	$(70.1 \pm 2.7) \%$
$\eta\pi$	$(14.5 \pm 1.2) \%$
$\omega\pi\pi$	$(10.6 \pm 3.2) \%$
$K\bar{K}$	$(4.9 \pm 0.8) \%$
$\eta'(958)\pi$	$(5.5 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3}$
$\pi^\pm\gamma$	$(2.91 \pm 0.27) \times 10^{-3}$
$\gamma\gamma$	$(9.4 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-6}$

# the experimental excited meson spectrum

## pdg meson listings

LIGHT UNFLAVORED ( $S = C = B = 0$ )		STRANGE ( $S = \pm 1, C = B = 0$ )		CHARMED, STRANGE ( $C = S = \pm 1$ )		$c\bar{c}$ $I^G(J^{PC})$	
$I^G(J^{PC})$	$I^G(J^{PC})$	$I(J^P)$	$I(J^P)$	$I(J^P)$	$I(J^P)$	$I^G(J^{PC})$	$I^G(J^{PC})$
• $\pi^\pm$	$1^-(0^-)$	• $\rho_3(1690)$	$1^+(3^-)$	• $K^\pm$	$1/2(0^-)$	• $D_s^\pm$	$0(0^-)$
• $\pi^0$	$1^-(0^-+)$	• $\rho(1700)$	$1^+(1^-)$	• $K^0$	$1/2(0^-)$	• $D_s^{*\pm}$	$0(?)$
• $\eta$	$0^+(0^-+)$	$a_2(1700)$	$1^-(2^+)$	• $K_S^0$	$1/2(0^-)$	• $D_{s0}^*(2317)^\pm$	$0(0^+)$
• $f_0(500)$	$0^+(0^+)$	• $f_0(1710)$	$0^+(0^+)$	• $K_L^0$	$1/2(0^-)$	• $D_{s1}(2460)^\pm$	$0(1^+)$
• $\rho(770)$	$1^+(1^-)$	$\eta(1760)$	$0^+(0^-)$	$K_0^*(800)$	$1/2(0^+)$	• $D_{s1}(2536)^\pm$	$0(1^+)$
• $\omega(782)$	$0^-(1^-)$	• $\pi(1800)$	$1^-(0^-)$	• $K^*(892)$	$1/2(1^-)$	• $D_{s2}(2573)$	$0(2^+)$
• $\eta'(958)$	$0^+(0^-)$	$f_2(1810)$	$0^+(2^+)$	• $K_1(1270)$	$1/2(1^+)$	• $D_{s1}^*(2700)^\pm$	$0(1^-)$
• $f_0(980)$	$0^+(0^+)$	$X(1835)$	$?^?(0^-)$	• $K_1(1400)$	$1/2(1^+)$	$D_{s1}^*(2860)^\pm$	$0(1^-)$
• $a_0(980)$	$1^-(0^+)$	$X(1840)$	$?^?(???)$	• $K_1^*(1410)$	$1/2(1^-)$	$D_{s3}^*(2860)^\pm$	$0(3^-)$
• $\phi(1020)$	$0^-(1^-)$	$a_1(1420)$	$1^-(1^+)$	• $K_0^*(1430)$	$1/2(0^+)$	$D_{sJ}(3040)^\pm$	$0(?)$
• $h_1(1170)$	$0^-(1^+)$	• $\phi_3(1850)$	$0^-(3^-)$	• $K_2^*(1430)$	$1/2(2^+)$	BOTTOM ( $B = \pm 1$ )	
• $b_1(1235)$	$1^+(1^+)$	$\eta_2(1870)$	$0^+(2^-)$	$K(1460)$	$1/2(0^-)$	• $B^\pm$	$1/2(0^-)$
• $a_1(1260)$	$1^-(1^+)$	• $\pi_2(1880)$	$1^-(2^-)$	$K_2(1580)$	$1/2(2^-)$	• $B^0$	$1/2(0^-)$
• $f_2(1270)$	$0^+(2^+)$	$\rho(1900)$	$1^+(1^-)$	$K(1630)$	$1/2(?)$	• $B^\pm/B^0$ ADMIXTURE	
• $f_1(1285)$	$0^+(1^+)$	$f_2(1910)$	$0^+(2^+)$	$K_1(1650)$	$1/2(1^+)$	• $B^0/B^0/B_s^0/b$ -baryon	
• $\eta(1295)$	$0^+(0^-)$	$a_0(1950)$	$1^-(0^+)$	• $K^*(1680)$	$1/2(1^-)$	ADMIXTURE	
• $\pi(1300)$	$1^-(0^-)$	• $f_2(1950)$	$0^+(2^+)$	• $K_2(1770)$	$1/2(2^-)$	$V_{cb}$ and $V_{ub}$ CKM Matrix Elements	
• $a_2(1320)$	$1^-(2^+)$	$\rho_3(1990)$	$1^+(3^-)$	• $K_3^*(1780)$	$1/2(3^-)$		
• $f_0(1370)$	$0^+(0^+)$	• $f_2(2010)$	$0^+(2^+)$	• $K_2(1820)$	$1/2(2^-)$		
$h_1(1380)$	$?^-(1^+)$	$f_0(2020)$	$0^+(0^+)$	$K(1830)$	$1/2(0^-)$		
• $\pi_1(1400)$	$1^-(1^-)$	• $a_4(2040)$	$1^-(4^+)$	$K_0^*(1950)$	$1/2(0^+)$		
• $\eta(1405)$	$0^+(0^-)$	• $f_4(2050)$	$0^+(4^+)$	$K_2^*(1980)$	$1/2(2^+)$		
• $f_1(1420)$	$0^+(1^+)$	$\pi_2(2100)$	$1^-(2^-)$	• $K_4^*(2045)$	$1/2(4^+)$		
• $\omega(1420)$	$0^-(1^-)$	$f_0(2100)$	$0^+(0^+)$	$K_2(2250)$	$1/2(2^-)$		
$f_2(1430)$	$0^+(2^+)$	$f_2(2150)$	$0^+(2^+)$	$K_3(2320)$	$1/2(3^+)$		
$\pi(1450)$	$1^-(0^+)$	$\pi(2150)$	$1^+(1^+)$				

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# coupled-channel scattering

evolution from scattering ‘in’ state to scattering ‘out’ state given by S-matrix elements     $S_{ij} = \langle \text{out}, i | \text{in}, j \rangle$

e.g. in coupled  $\pi\pi, K\bar{K}$  scattering

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{pmatrix} S_{\pi\pi,\pi\pi} & S_{\pi\pi,K\bar{K}} \\ S_{K\bar{K},\pi\pi} & S_{K\bar{K},K\bar{K}} \end{pmatrix}$$

more convenient to work with  $t$ -matrix     $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{1} + 2i\sqrt{\rho} \cdot \mathbf{t} \cdot \sqrt{\rho}$     typically in partial-waves     $t_{ij}^{(\ell)}(E)$

in time-reversal invariant theories,  $\mathbf{t}$  is symmetric     $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}N(N+1)$  **complex** numbers at each energy?

conservation of probability, a.k.a. **unitarity** is an important constraint

$$\text{Im } t_{ij} = \sum_k t_{ik}^* \rho_k t_{kj} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{sum over channels} \\ \text{kinematically open} \end{matrix}$$

or  $\boxed{\text{Im } (t^{-1}(E))_{ij} = -\delta_{ij} \rho_i(E) \Theta(E - E_i^{\text{thr.}})}$

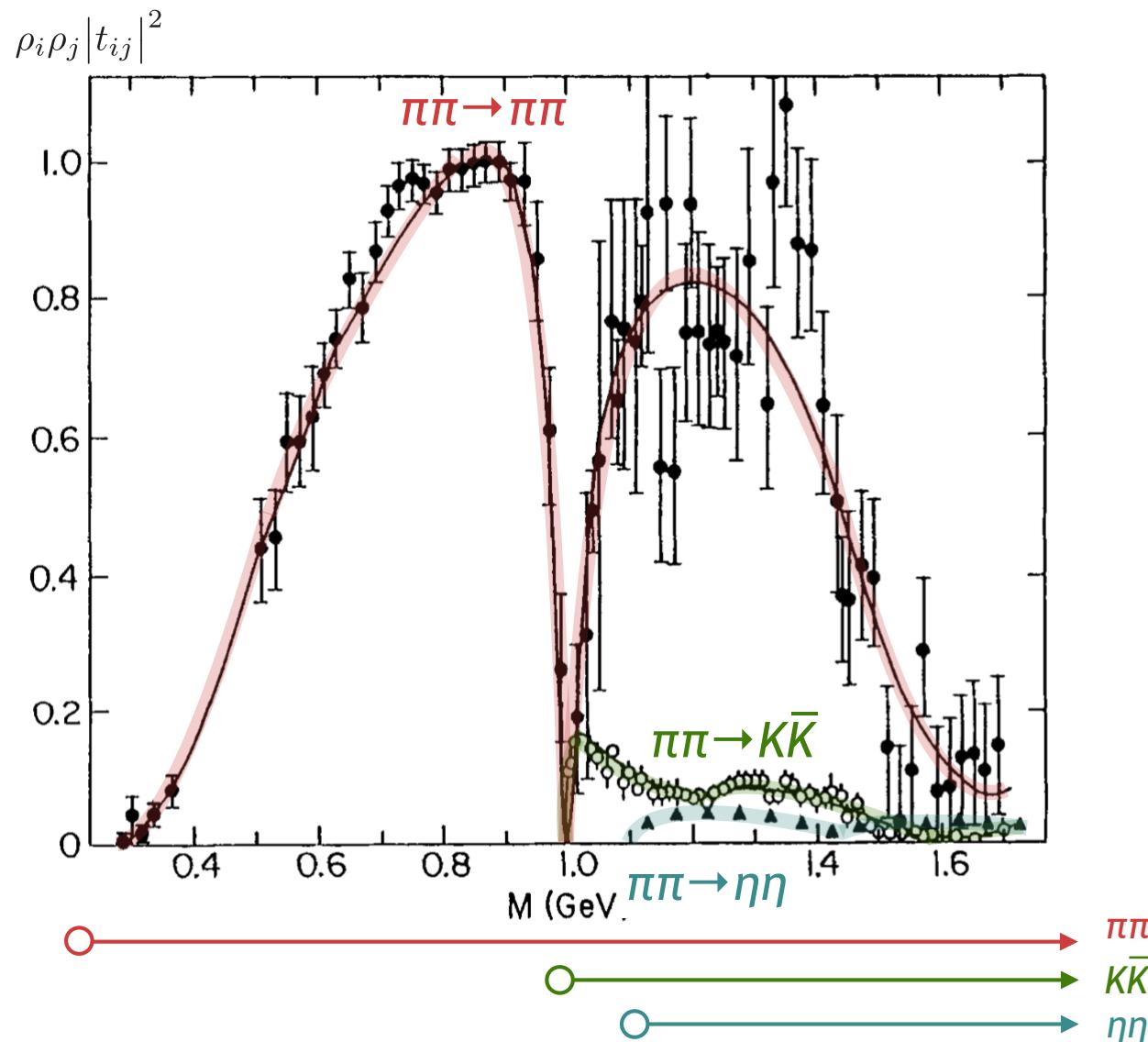
$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}N(N+1)$  **real** numbers at each energy

$$(S^\dagger S)_{ij} = \sum_k \langle \text{in}, i | \text{out}, k \rangle \langle \text{out}, k | \text{in}, j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

completeness of  
outgoing states

$$1 = \sum_k |\text{out}, k\rangle \langle \text{out}, k|$$

# $\pi\pi, K\bar{K}, \eta\eta$ S-wave scattering



experimentally  
quite difficult to fill out  
the whole matrix

$$t = \begin{pmatrix} \blacksquare & \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ \square & \square & \square \\ \square & \square & \square \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \textcolor{red}{\pi\pi} \\ \textcolor{green}{K\bar{K}} \\ \textcolor{teal}{\eta\eta} \end{array}$$

isolating kaon exchange hard  
&  $\eta$  beams don't exist

normalization of  $\pi\pi \rightarrow K\bar{K}$   
also slightly uncertain ...

# two-channel scattering

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a common parameterization uses two phase-shifts,  $\delta_1$ ,  $\delta_2$ , and an inelasticity,  $\eta$

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} \eta e^{2i\delta_1} & i\sqrt{1-\eta^2} e^{i(\delta_1+\delta_2)} \\ i\sqrt{1-\eta^2} e^{i(\delta_1+\delta_2)} & \eta e^{2i\delta_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$t_{11} = \frac{1}{\rho_1} e^{i\delta_1} \left[ \frac{1}{2}(\eta + 1) \sin \delta_1 - \frac{i}{2}(\eta - 1) \cos \delta_1 \right]$$

elastic form regained if  $\eta \rightarrow 1$

$$\rho_1 \rho_2 |t_{12}|^2 = 1 - \eta^2$$

channel coupling given by  $\eta \neq 1$

# coupled-channel scattering – a simple resonance model

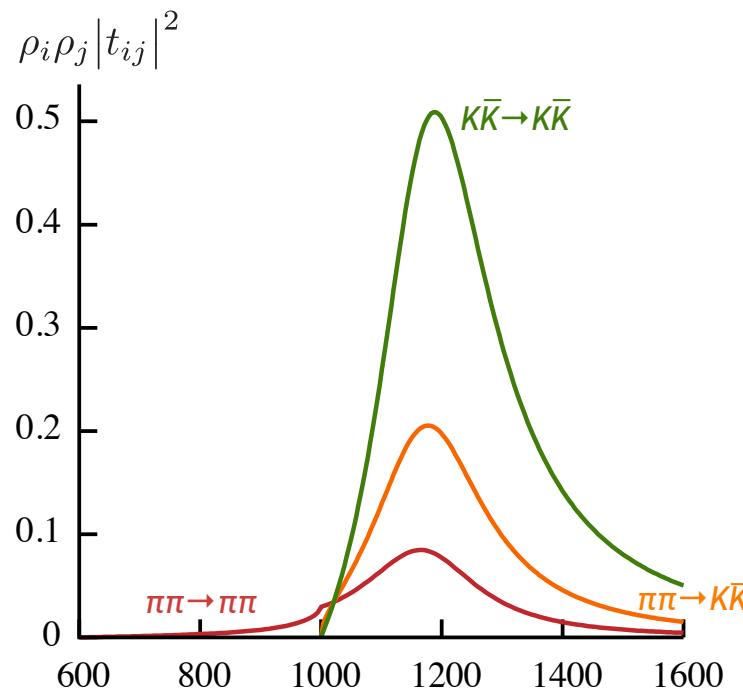
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Flatté form – coupled-channel generalisation of Breit-Wigner

$$m_\pi = 300 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_K = 500 \text{ MeV}$$

$$t_{ij}(E) = \frac{g_i g_j}{m^2 - E^2 - ig_1^2 \rho_1 - ig_2^2 \rho_2}$$

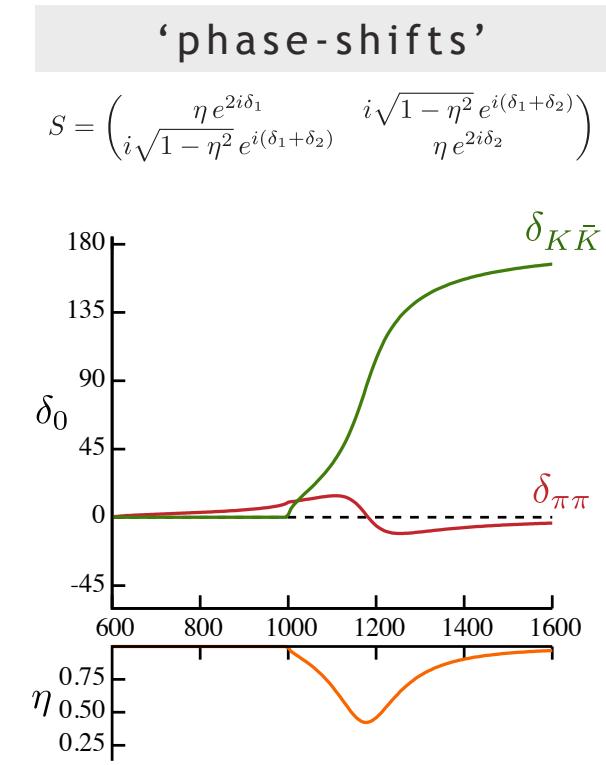
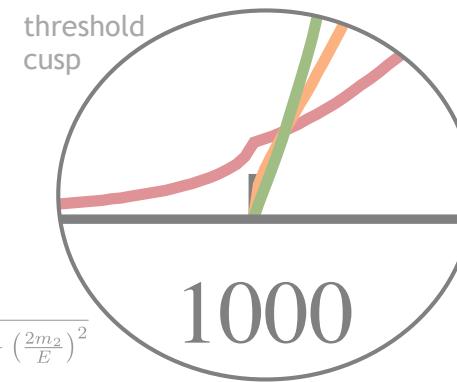


$$m = 1182 \text{ MeV}$$

$$g_{\pi\pi} = 296 \text{ MeV}$$

$$g_{K\bar{K}} = 592 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\rho_2(E) = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{2m_2}{E}\right)^2}$$



# coupled-channel scattering in a finite-volume

the quantization condition generalizes to

$$0 = \det [1 + i\boldsymbol{\rho} \cdot \mathbf{t} \cdot (1 + i\mathcal{M})]$$

e.g. in  $A_1^+$  irrep ( $\ell = 0, 4 \dots$ )

$$\mathbf{t} = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t_{11}^{(0)} & t_{12}^{(0)} \\ t_{12}^{(0)} & t_{22}^{(0)} \end{pmatrix} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \begin{pmatrix} t_{11}^{(4)} & t_{12}^{(4)} \\ t_{12}^{(4)} & t_{22}^{(4)} \end{pmatrix} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

**dense in channel space**  
– infinite-volume dynamics mixes channels

**diagonal in angular momentum space**  
–  $\ell$  good q.n. in infinite-volume

$$\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{00}^{A_1^+}(k_1) & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{M}_{00}^{A_1^+}(k_2) \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{04}^{A_1^+}(k_1) & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{M}_{04}^{A_1^+}(k_2) \end{pmatrix} & \dots \\ \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{40}^{A_1^+}(k_1) & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{M}_{40}^{A_1^+}(k_2) \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{44}^{A_1^+}(k_1) & 0 \\ 0 & \mathcal{M}_{44}^{A_1^+}(k_2) \end{pmatrix} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

**diagonal in channel space**  
– no dynamics in  $\mathcal{M}$

**dense in angular momentum**  
– cubic symmetry lives here

$$k_1 = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E^2 - 4m_1^2}$$

$$k_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E^2 - 4m_2^2}$$

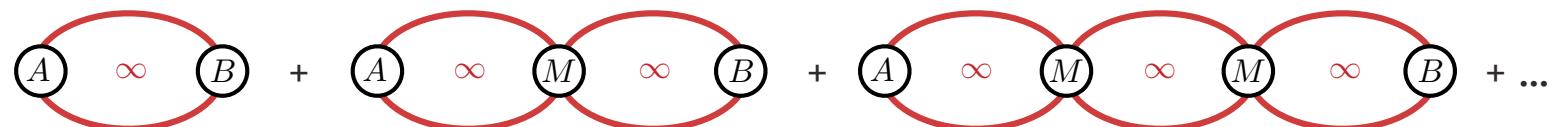
# a 3+1 field theory derivation

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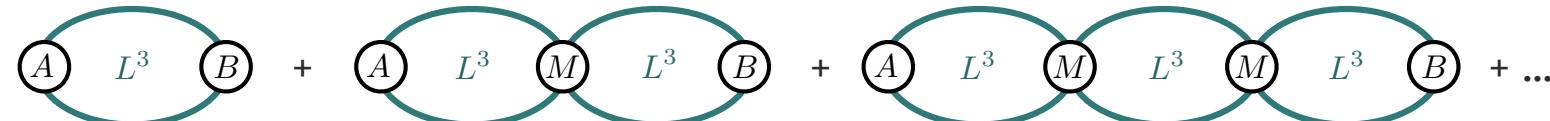
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**in infinite volume**



**in finite volume**



where the colored lines are fully-dressed propagators,  
and where we are below three-hadron thresholds, so diagrams with three lines can't go on-shell

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## basic loop :

loop :  -  = 
$$-\left[ \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} - \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right] \int \frac{dk_4}{2\pi} \mathcal{L}(P-k, k) \Delta(k) \Delta(P-k) \mathcal{R}^\dagger(P-k, k)$$

finite volume      infinite volume

dressed propagators [ only the poles matter ]

performing the  $k_4$  integration

$$= - \left[ \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} - \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right] \frac{1}{2\omega_k} \frac{1}{2\omega_{P-k}} \mathcal{L} \frac{1}{E - \omega_k - \omega_{P-k} + i\epsilon} \mathcal{R}^\dagger \Big|_{k_4 = i\omega_k}$$

for smooth functions of  $k$ ,  
the difference between  $\Sigma$  and  $\zeta$   
is exponentially suppressed

[ Poisson summation formula ]

but there is a pole at

$$E = \omega_k + \omega_{P=k}$$

this ensures **on-shell** dominance  
in  $\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{R}^\dagger$

expanding in partial-waves

$$\text{Diagram showing two terms: } (\mathcal{L}) \text{ (green circle)} \text{ and } (\mathcal{R}) \text{ (red circle)} \text{ connected by a loop.} - (\mathcal{L}) \text{ (green circle)} \text{ and } (\mathcal{R}) \text{ (red circle)} \text{ connected by a loop.} = -\mathcal{L}_{\ell m}(P) F_{\ell m, \ell' m'}(P, L) \mathcal{R}_{\ell' m'}^\dagger(P)$$

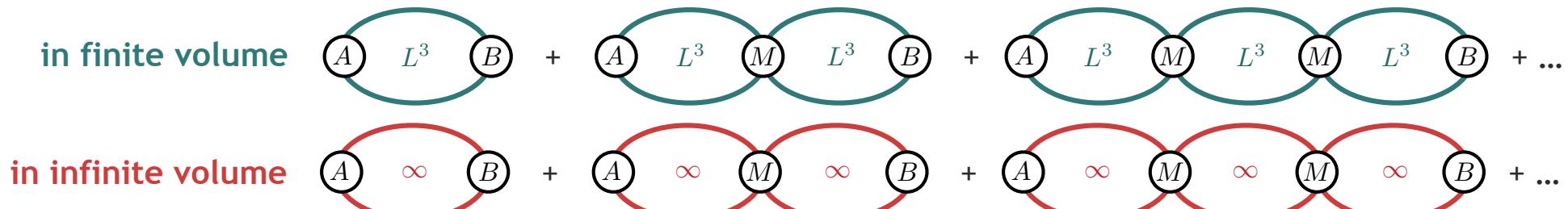
$$\text{with } F_{\ell m, \ell' m'}(P, L) = - \left[ \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} - \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right] \frac{4\pi Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}^\star) Y_{\ell m}^*(\hat{\mathbf{k}}^\star)}{2\omega_k 2\omega_{P-k} (E - \omega_k - \omega_{P-k} + i\epsilon)} \left( \frac{k^\star}{q^\star} \right)^{\ell + \ell'}$$

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$$C_L - C_\infty = \tilde{A}(-F) \tilde{B} + \tilde{A}(-F)M(-F) \tilde{B} + \tilde{A}(-F)M(-F)M(-F) \tilde{B} + \dots$$

a geometric series can be summed:  $\tilde{A} [F^{-1} + M]^{-1} \tilde{B}$

$$\text{giving } C_L(t, \mathbf{P}) = L^3 \int \frac{dE}{2\pi} e^{iEt} \left[ C_\infty(E, \mathbf{P}) - \tilde{A} [F^{-1}(E, \mathbf{P}, L) + M(E, \mathbf{P})]^{-1} \tilde{B} \right]$$

discrete spectral decomposition for finite-volume requires poles in  $E$

$\Rightarrow$  divergence of  $[F^{-1}(E, \mathbf{P}, L) + M(E, \mathbf{P})]^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow \det [F^{-1}(E, \mathbf{P}, L) + M(E, \mathbf{P})] = 0$$

# a 3+1 field theory derivation

$$\det [F^{-1}(E, \mathbf{P}, L) + M(E, \mathbf{P})] = 0$$

$$0 = \det [\mathbf{1} + i\rho \cdot \mathbf{t} \cdot (\mathbf{1} + i\mathcal{M})]$$

formalism dictionary:

$$16\pi F_{\ell m, \ell' m'} = i\rho \delta_{\ell\ell'} \delta_{mm'} - \rho \mathcal{M}_{\ell m, \ell' m'}$$
$$M = 16\pi t$$

# coupled-channel scattering in a finite-volume

the quantization condition generalizes to

$$0 = \det [1 + i\rho \cdot t \cdot (1 + i\mathcal{M})]$$

can also be expressed as  $0 = \det [t^{-1} + i\rho - \mathcal{M} \cdot \rho]$

which exposes the role of unitarity  $\text{Im}(t^{-1}(E))_{ij} = -\delta_{ij} \rho_i(E) \Theta(E - E_i^{\text{thr.}})$

the quantization condition is a **single real condition**:

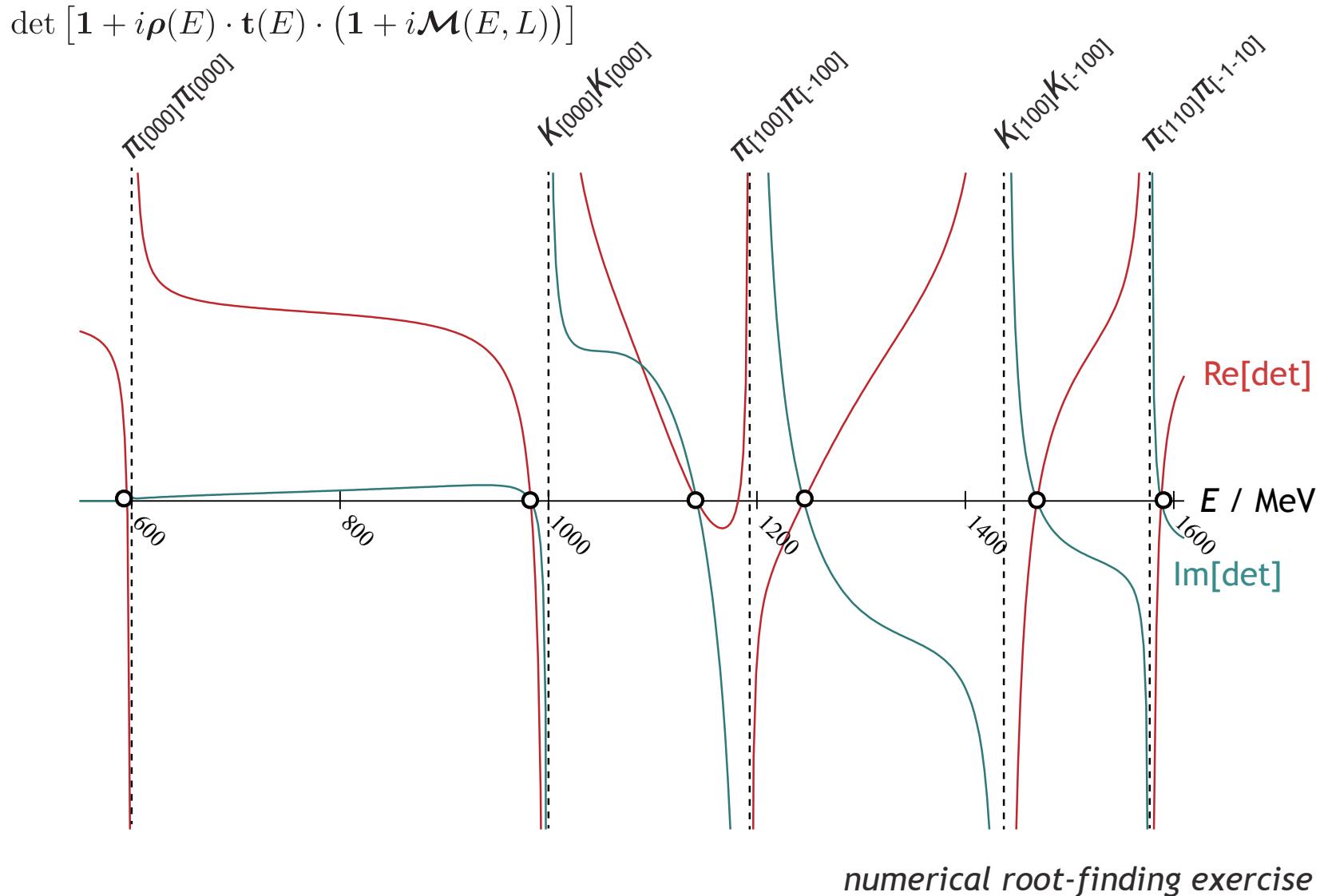
the zeroes  $E=E_n(L)$  of the function  $\det [1 + i\rho(E) \cdot t(E) \cdot (1 + i\mathcal{M}(E, L))]$

correspond to the spectrum in an  $L \times L \times L$  volume

# zeroes of the determinant

e.g. previously presented two-channel Flatté form – [000]  $A_1^+$  irrep in  $L=2.4$  fm box

$$\begin{aligned} m_\pi &= 300 \text{ MeV} \\ m_K &= 500 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$



don't take the determinant – look at the matrix eigenvalues ...

$$0 = \det \mathbf{D}(E_{\text{cm}})$$

*matrix*  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{1} + i\rho \mathbf{t} (\mathbf{1} + i\mathcal{M})$  inconvenient – eigenvalues are unbounded, houses divergences

perform a transformation to a matrix with the same determinant

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{2}\rho^{1/2}(\mathbf{1} + \mathbf{S}\mathbf{V})(\mathbf{1} - i\mathcal{M})\rho^{-1/2}$$

*unitary matrices*

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{1} + 2i\rho^{1/2} \mathbf{t} \rho^{1/2}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = (\mathbf{1} + i\mathcal{M}) (\mathbf{1} - i\mathcal{M})^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{D}_V = \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{S}\mathbf{V}$$

$\mathbf{D}_V - \mathbf{1}$  *is unitary*

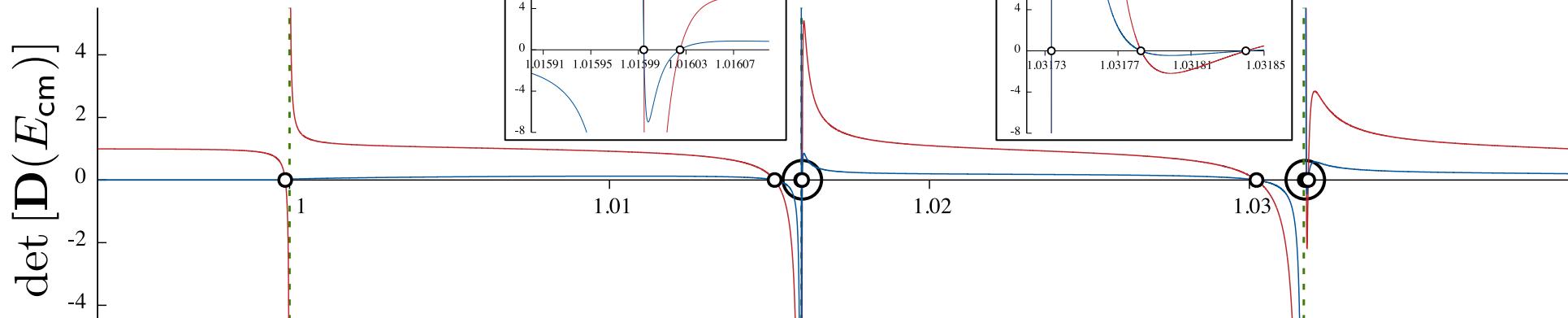
eigenvalues are bounded

eigenvectors are orthogonal

$$\lambda_p(E_{\text{cm}}) = 2 e^{i \frac{1}{2} \theta_p(E_{\text{cm}})} \cos \frac{1}{2} \theta_p(E_{\text{cm}})$$

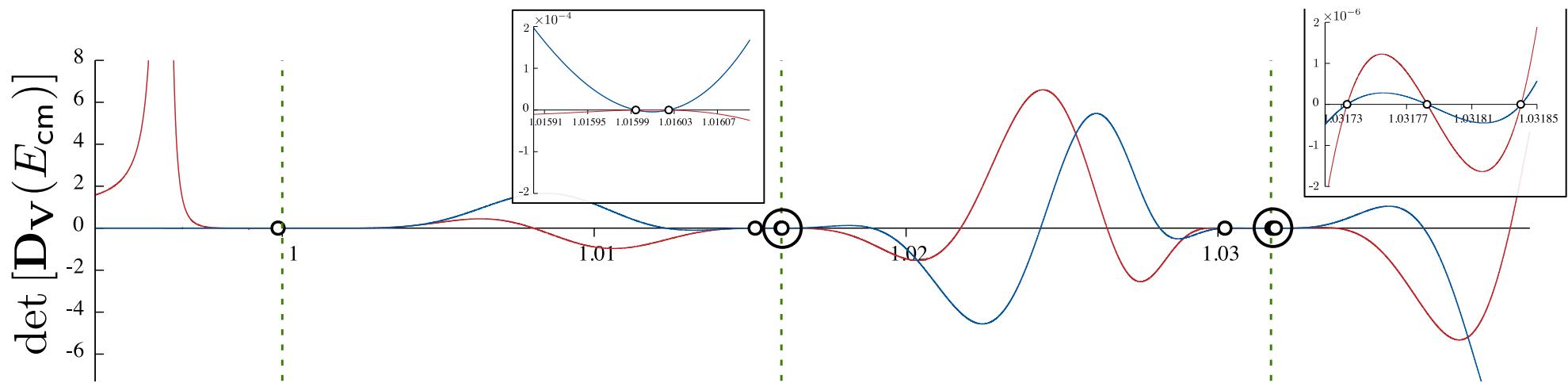
find the zeroes of the eigenvalues ...

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{1} + i\rho t(\mathbf{1} + i\mathcal{M})$$



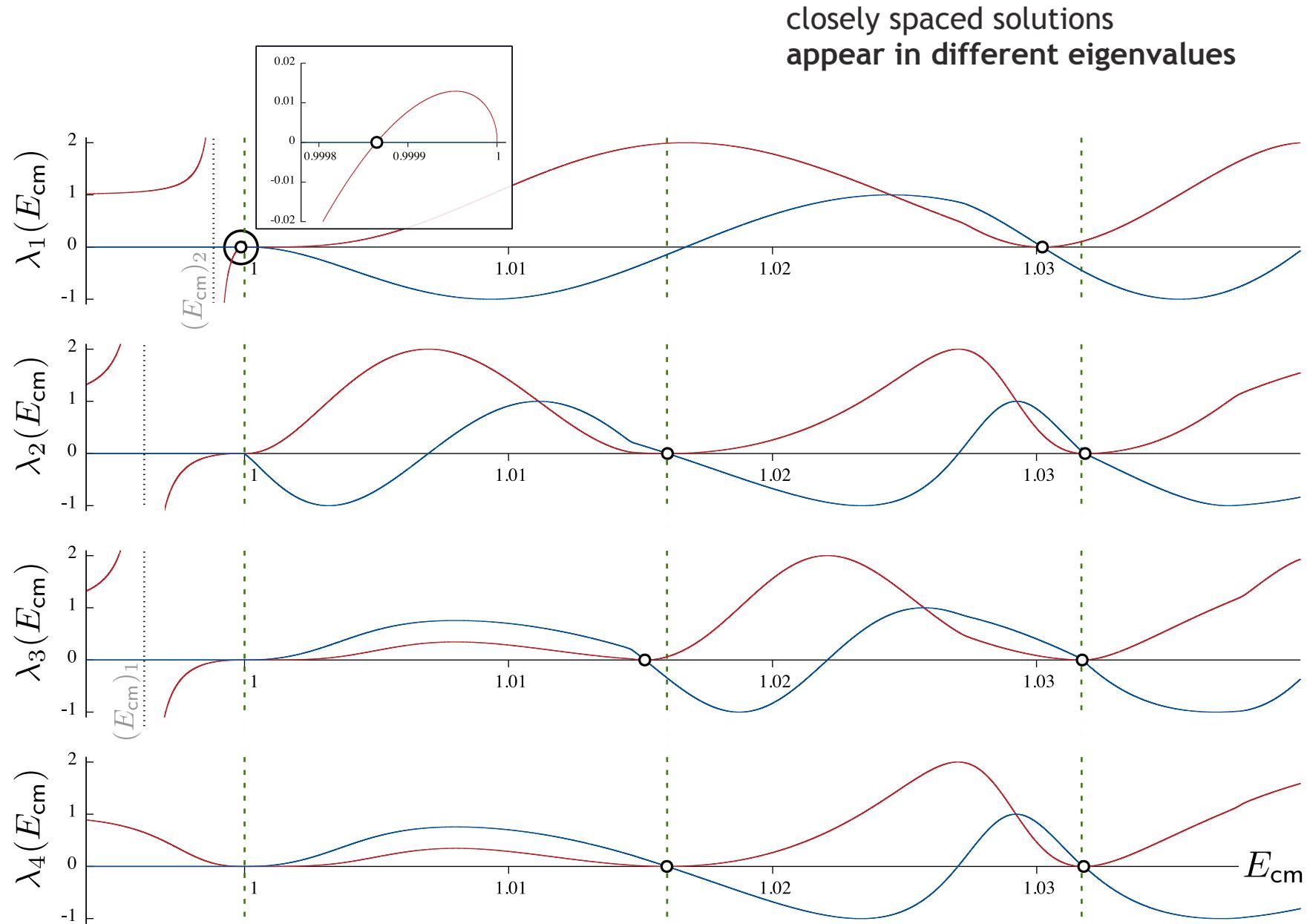
divergences & closely spaced solutions

$$\mathbf{D}_V = \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}$$

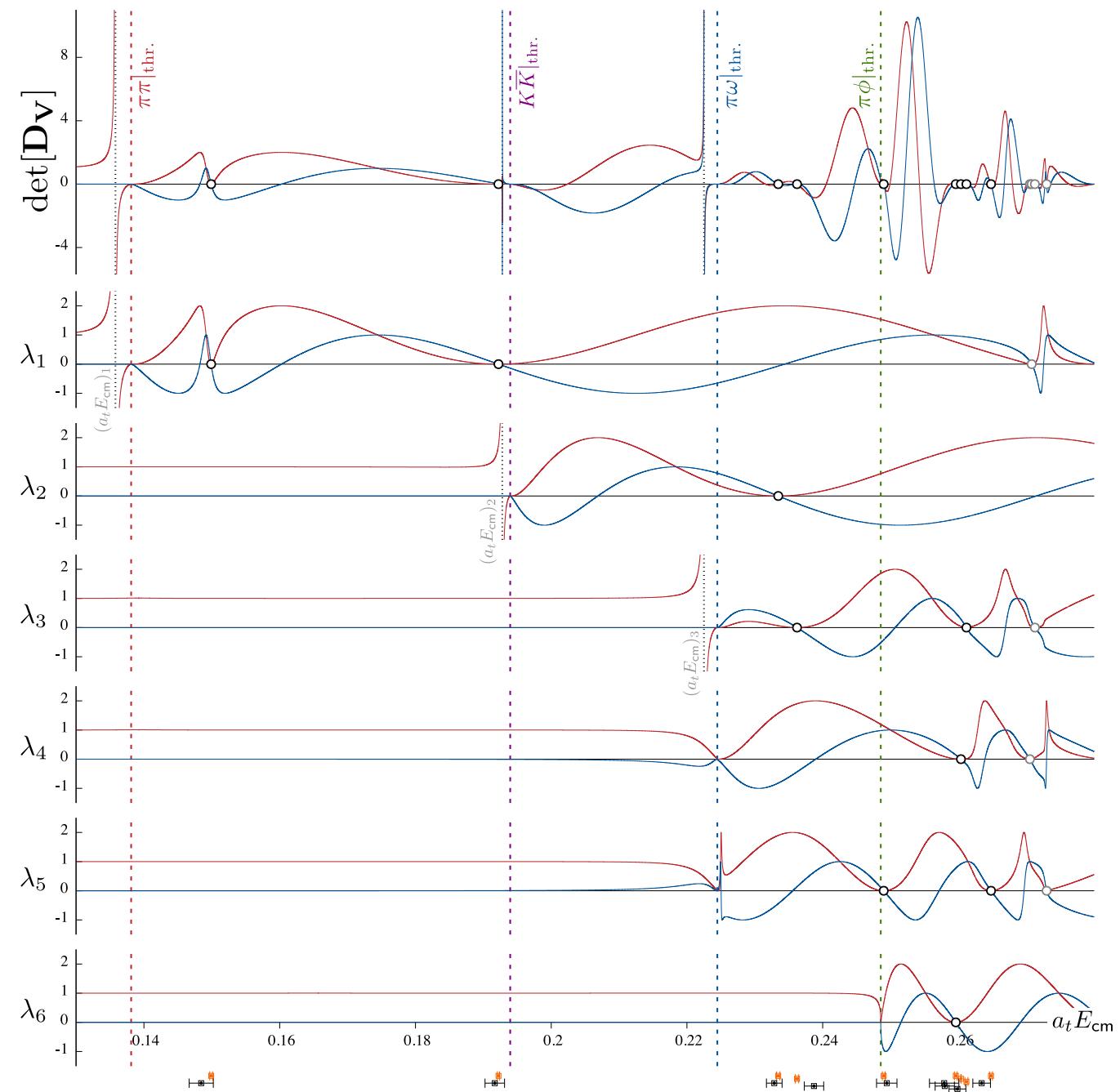


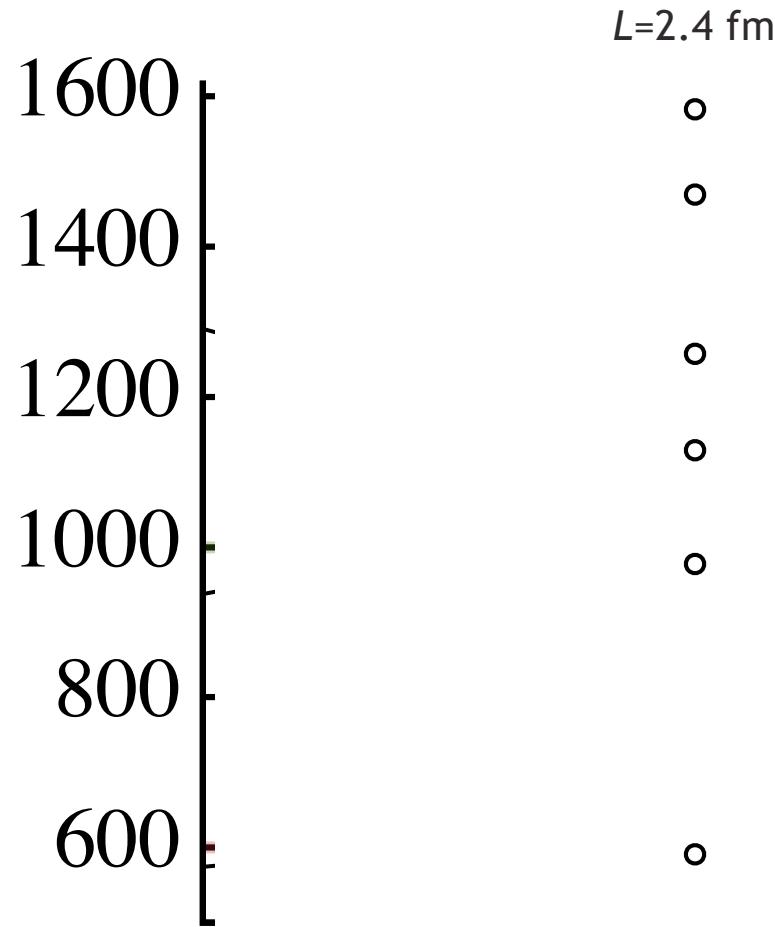
removed divergences, but still closely spaced solutions

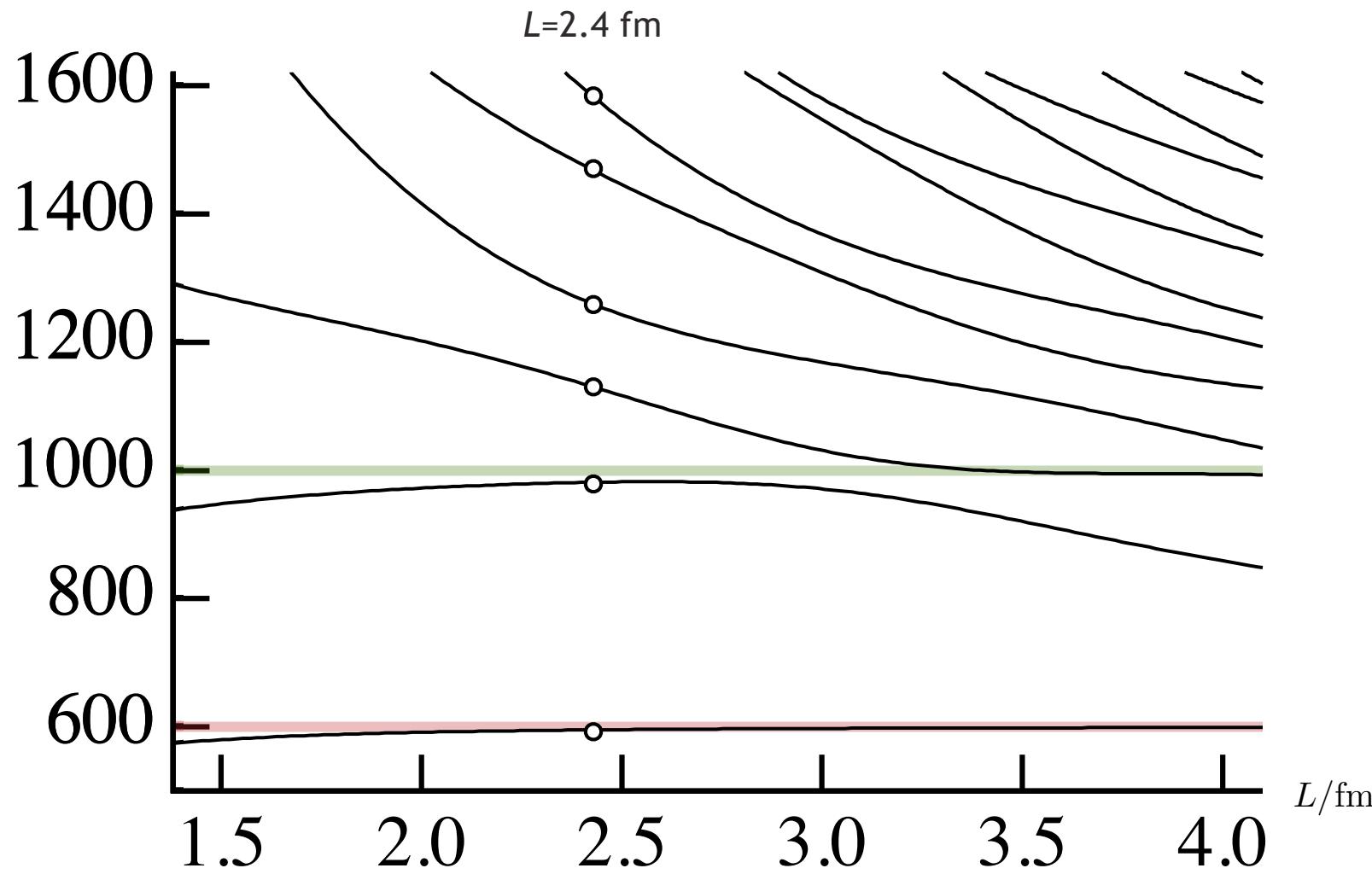
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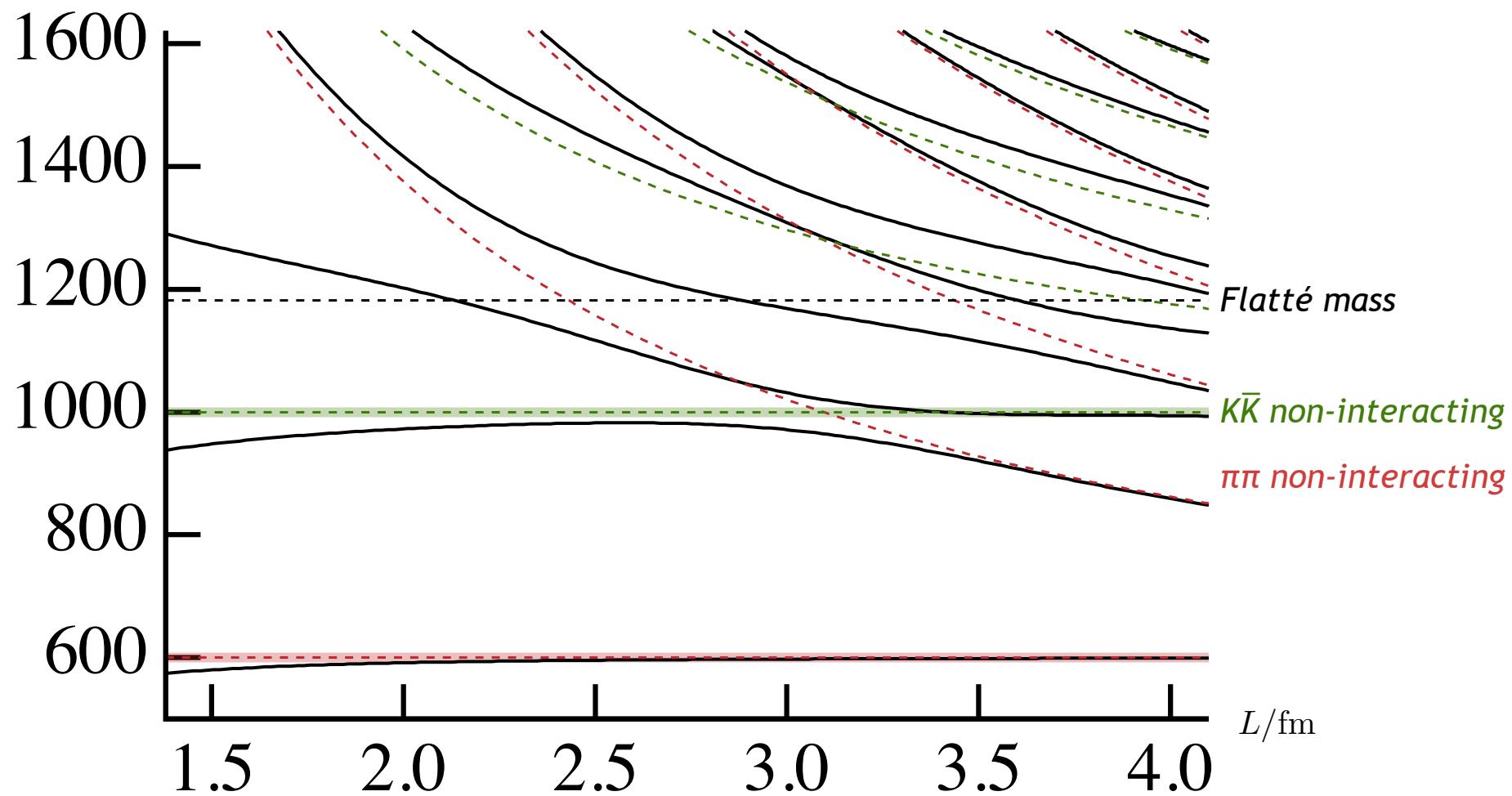


very powerful in  
coupled-channel situation

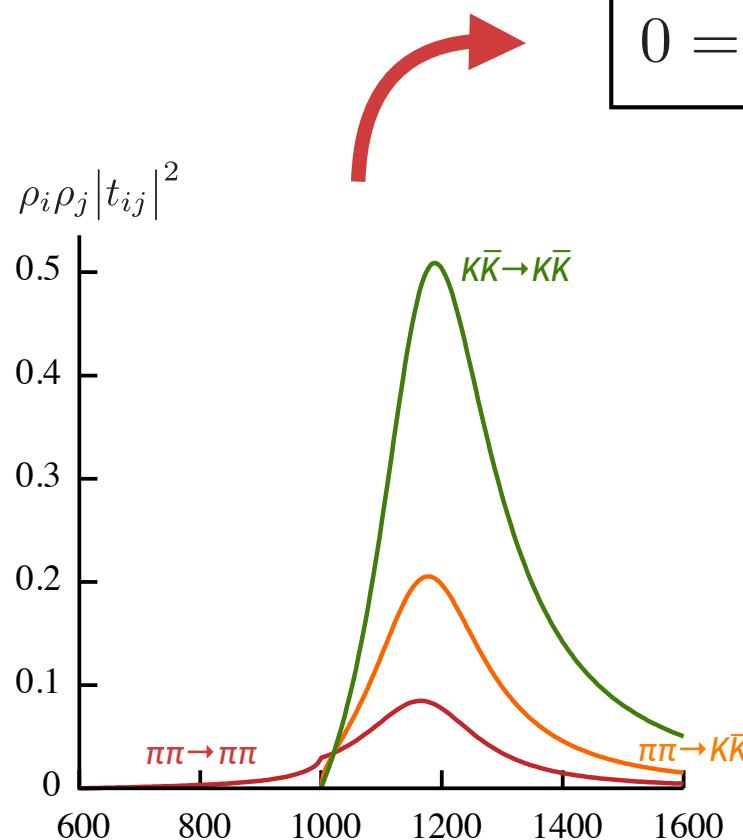




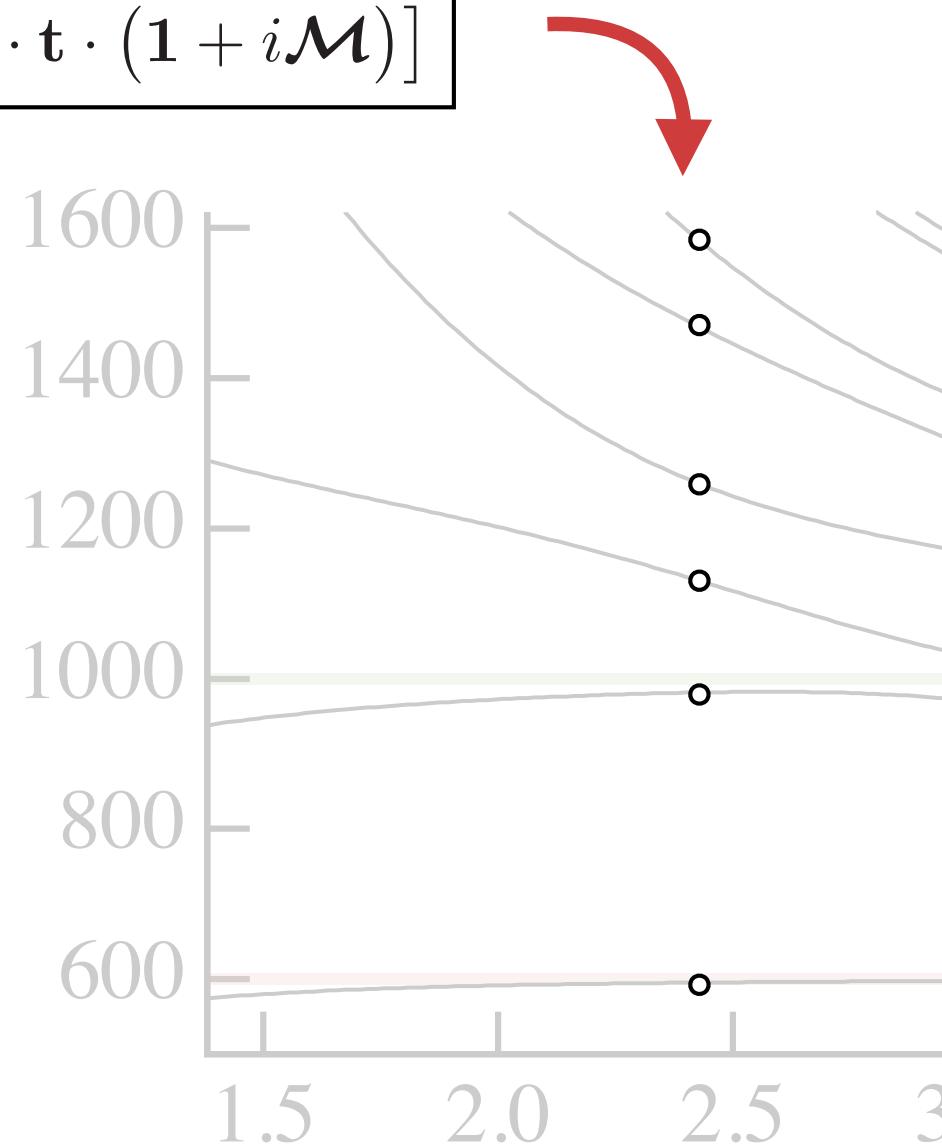




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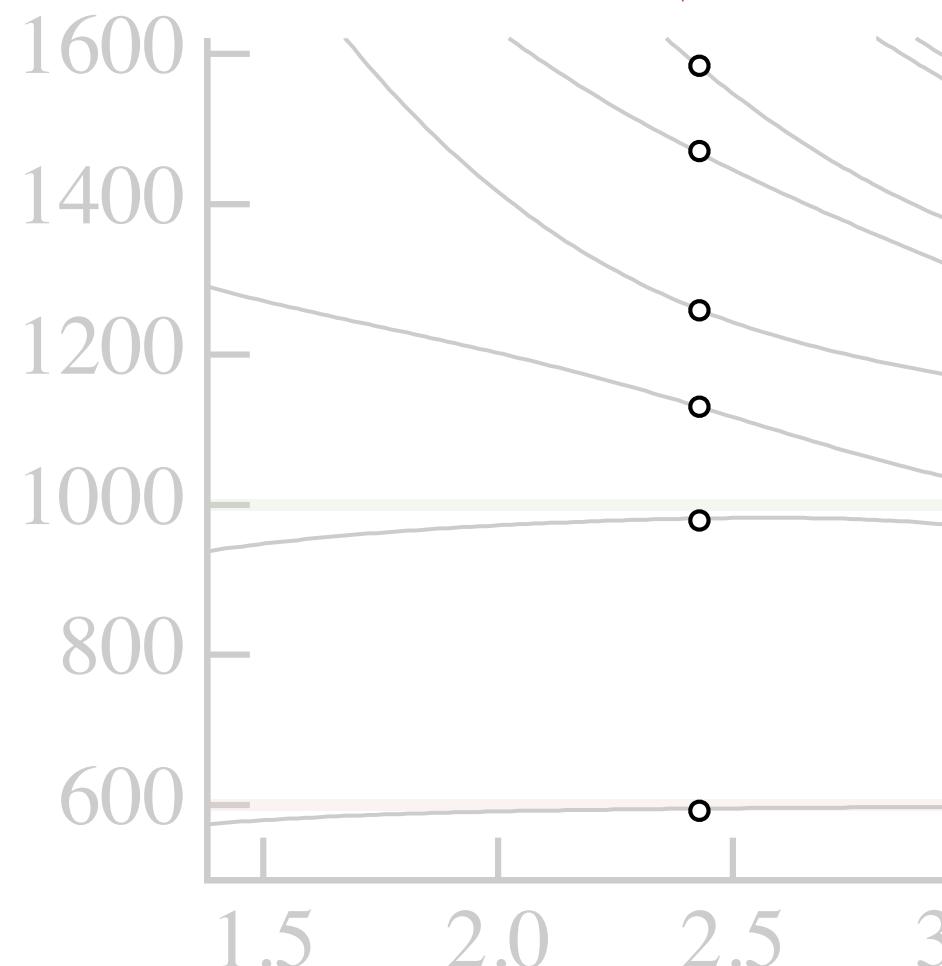
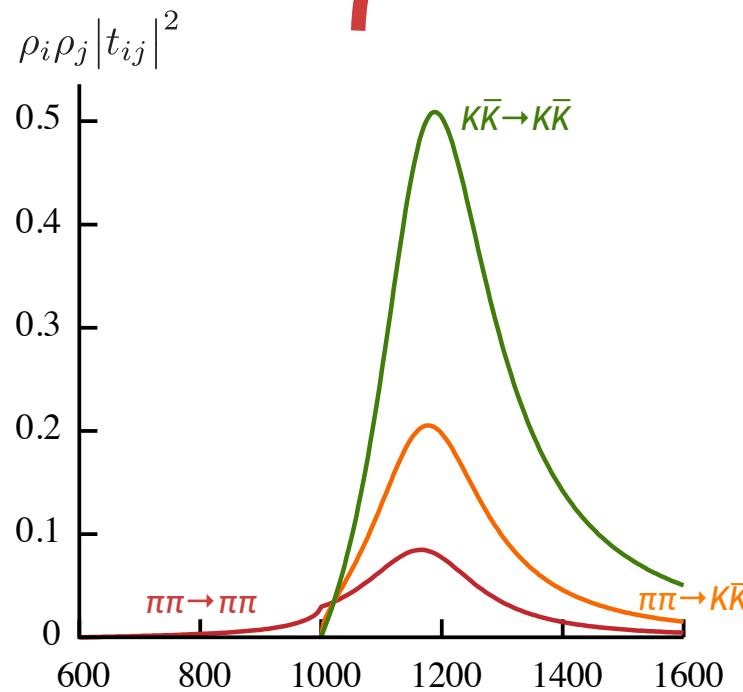


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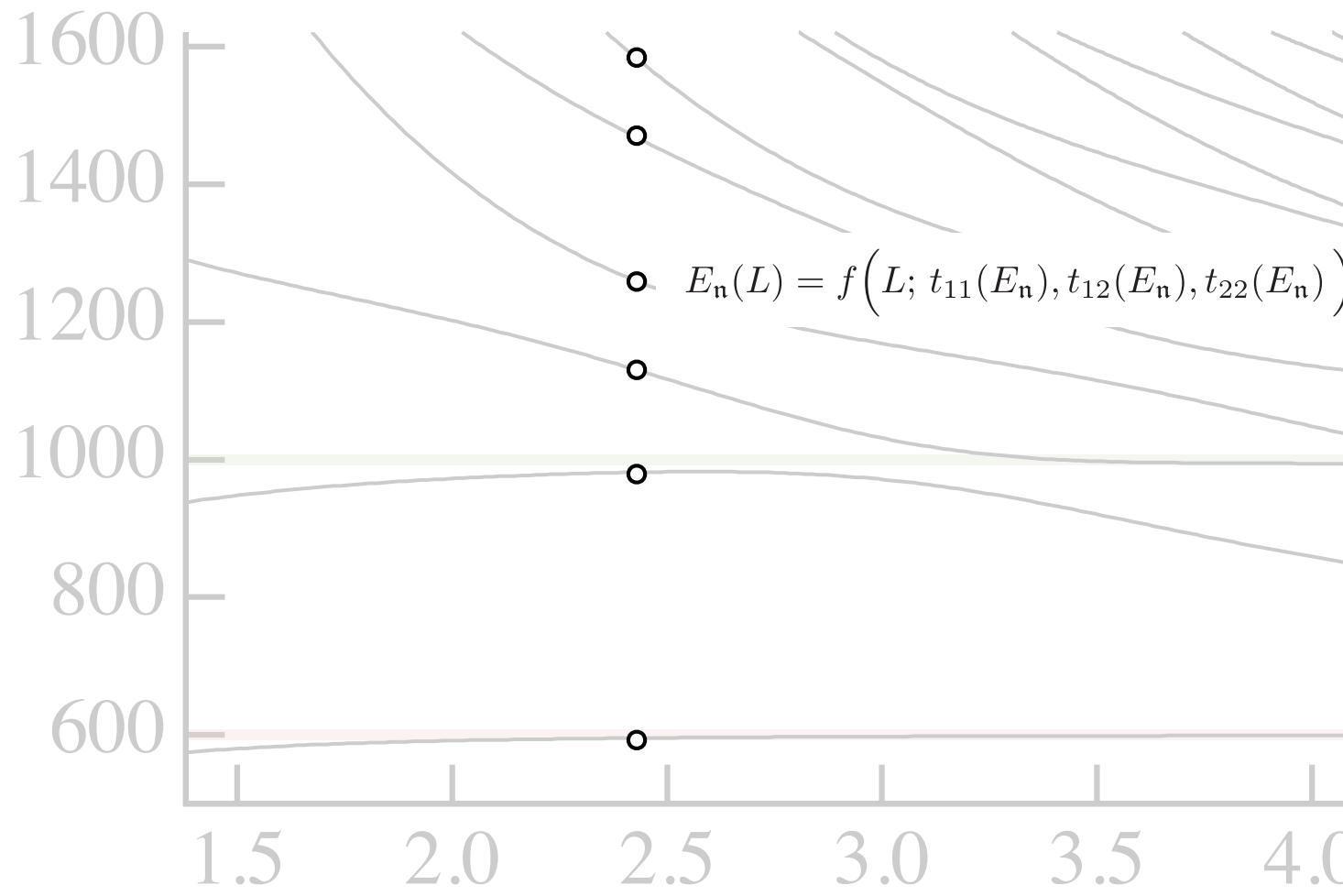
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but in a lattice QCD calculation  
we have the inverse problem ...

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position of each energy level depends upon all elements of the  $t$ -matrix



$$0 = \det [\mathbf{1} + i\boldsymbol{\rho} \cdot \mathbf{t} \cdot (\mathbf{1} + i\mathcal{M})]$$

at  $E = E_n(L)$   
is one equation in three unknowns ...

# parameterizing the $t$ -matrix

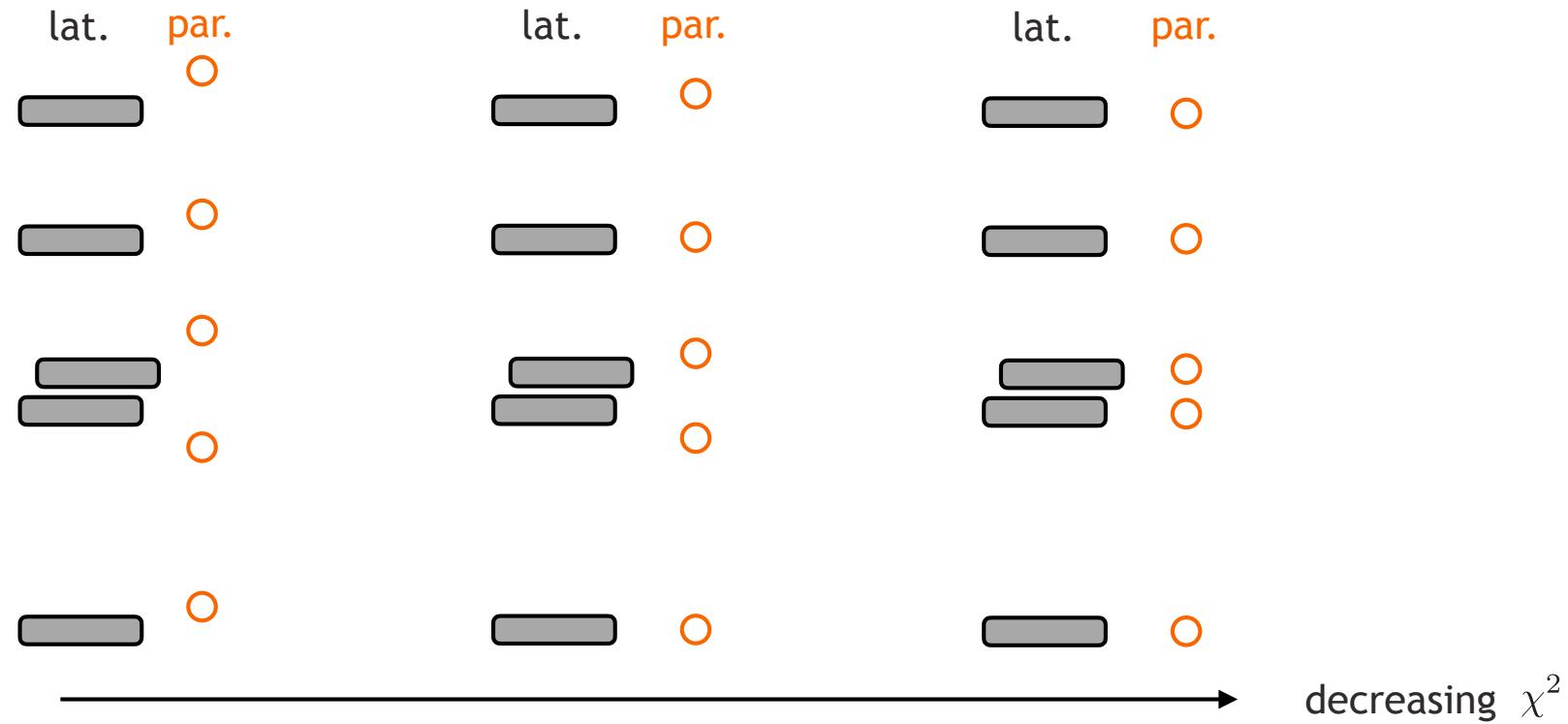
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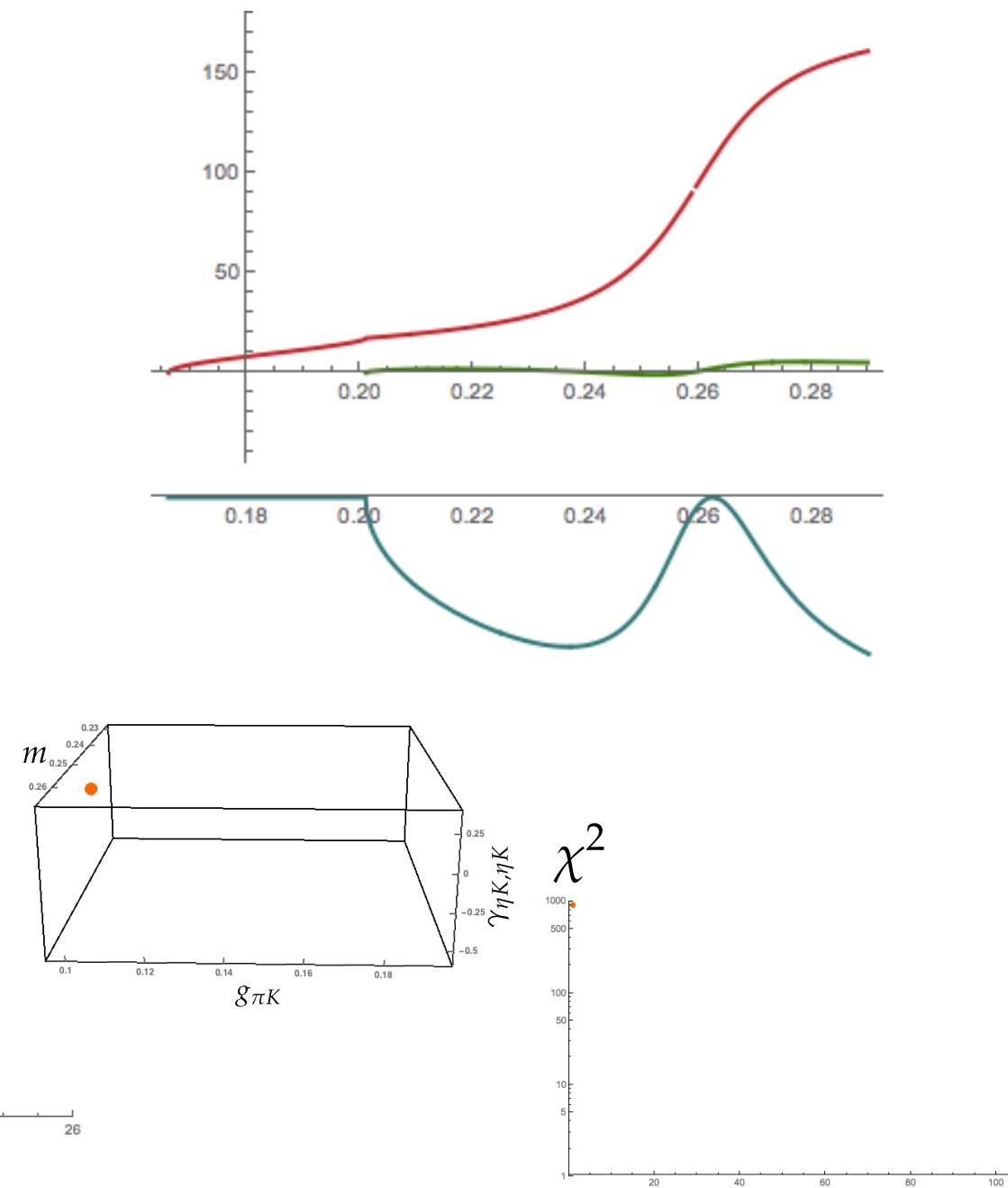
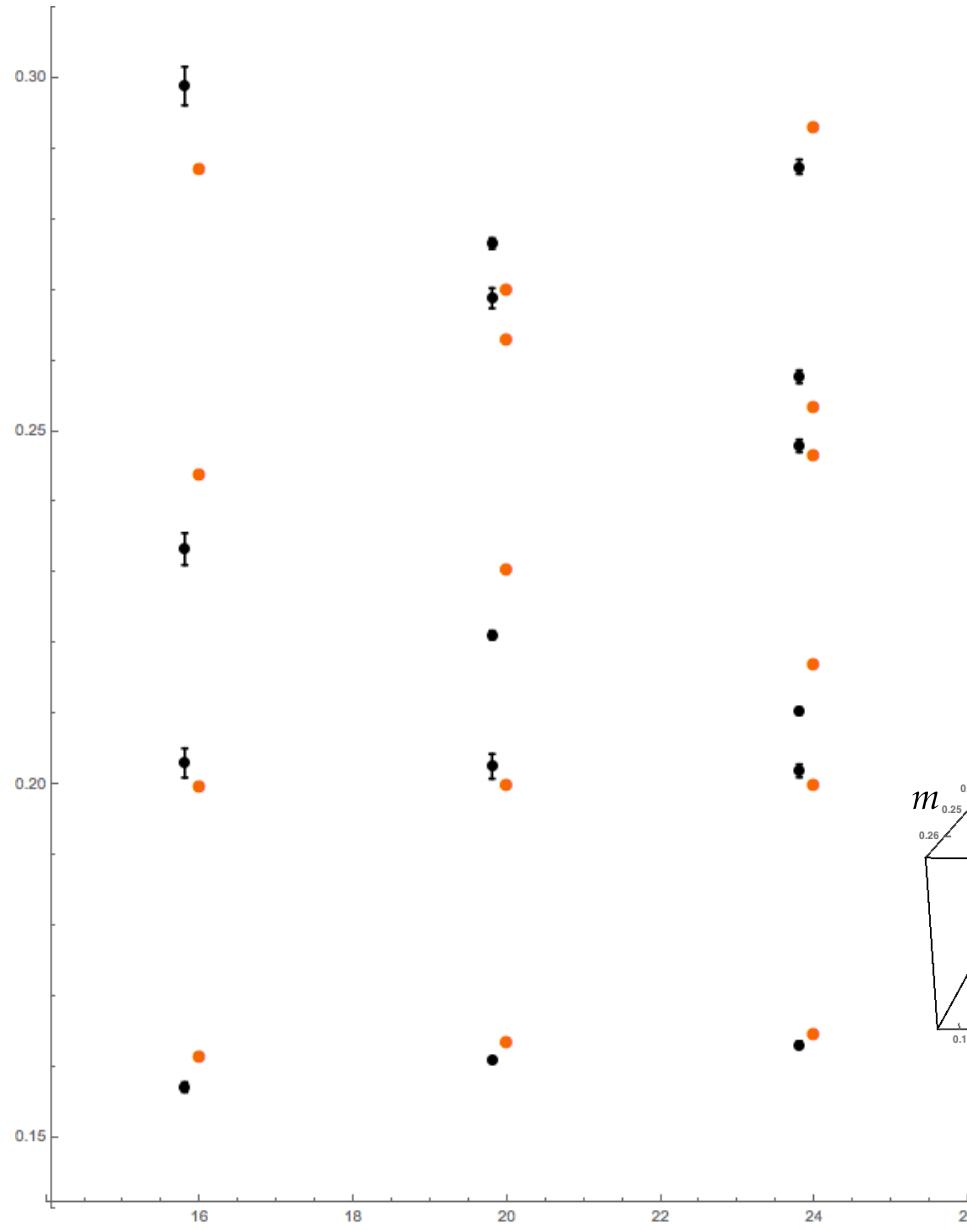
then can use many energy levels to constrain the parameters by minimising a  $\chi^2$

$$\chi^2(\{a_i\}) = \sum_{n,n'} \left( E_n^{\text{lat.}} - E_n^{\text{par.}}(L; \{a_i\}) \right) C_{n,n'}^{-1} \left( E_{n'}^{\text{lat.}} - E_{n'}^{\text{par.}}(L; \{a_i\}) \right)$$

inverse  
data  
covariance

energy levels solving  
 $0 = \det [\mathbf{1} + i\rho \cdot \mathbf{t} \cdot (\mathbf{1} + i\mathcal{M})]$   
 for  $t(E; \{a_i\})$





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need to ensure multi-channel unitarity  $\text{Im} (t^{-1}(E))_{ij} = -\delta_{ij} \rho_i(E) \Theta(E - E_i^{\text{thr.}})$

–  $K$ -matrix approach

$$\mathbf{t}^{-1}(E) = \mathbf{K}^{-1}(E) + \mathbf{I}(E) \quad \text{with} \quad \text{Im} (I(E))_{ij} = -\delta_{ij} \rho_i(E)$$

simplest choice has  $\text{Re } \mathbf{I}(E) = 0$

a more sophisticated approach = “Chew-Mandelstam” phase-space

$K(E)$  should be a real symmetric matrix

for reasons you'll see later,  
better to parameterize in terms of  $s = E^2$

e.g.  $K_{ij} = \frac{g_i g_j}{m^2 - s}$  gives the Flatté form

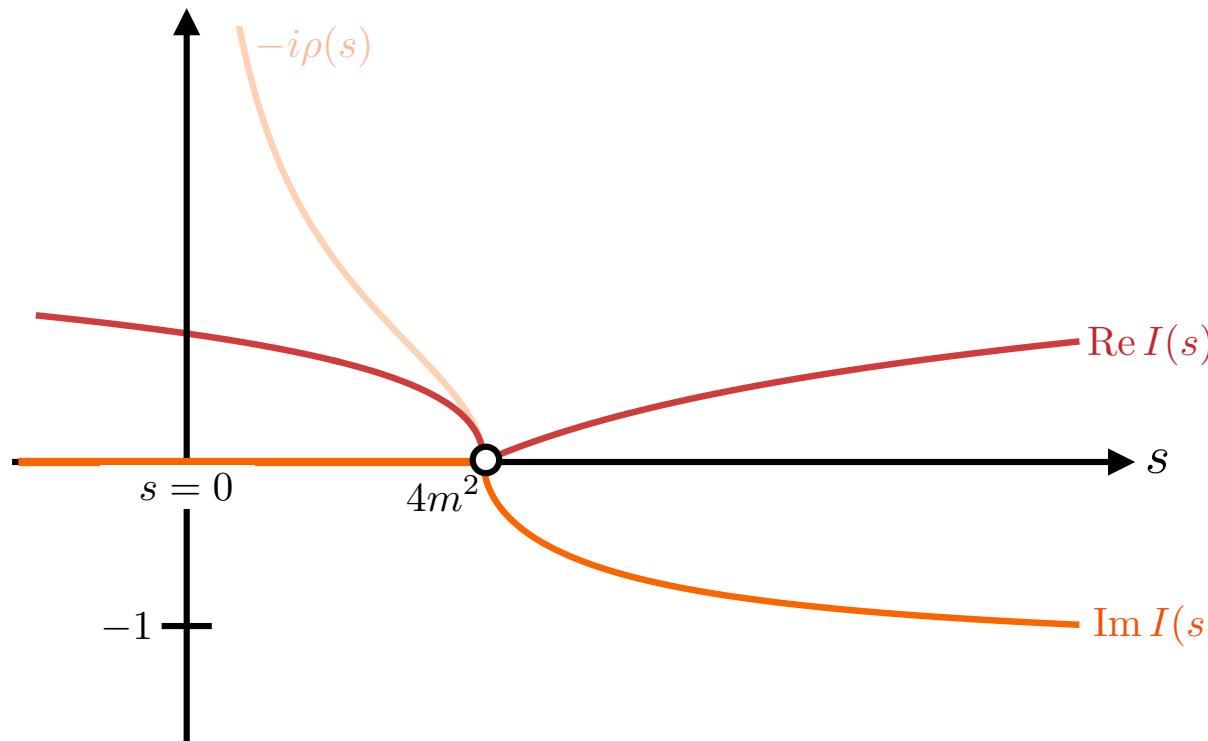
# Chew-Mandelstam phase space

(subtracted) dispersion of the phase-space

$$I(s) = I(s_0) - \frac{s - s_0}{\pi} \int_{s_{\text{thr}}}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\rho(s')}{(s' - s_0)(s' - s)}$$

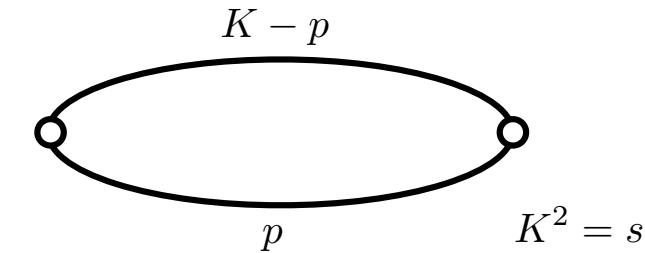
in the equal mass case evaluates to

$$I(s) = I(4m^2) - \frac{\rho(s)}{\pi} \log \left[ \frac{1 - \rho(s)}{1 + \rho(s)} \right] - i\rho(s)$$



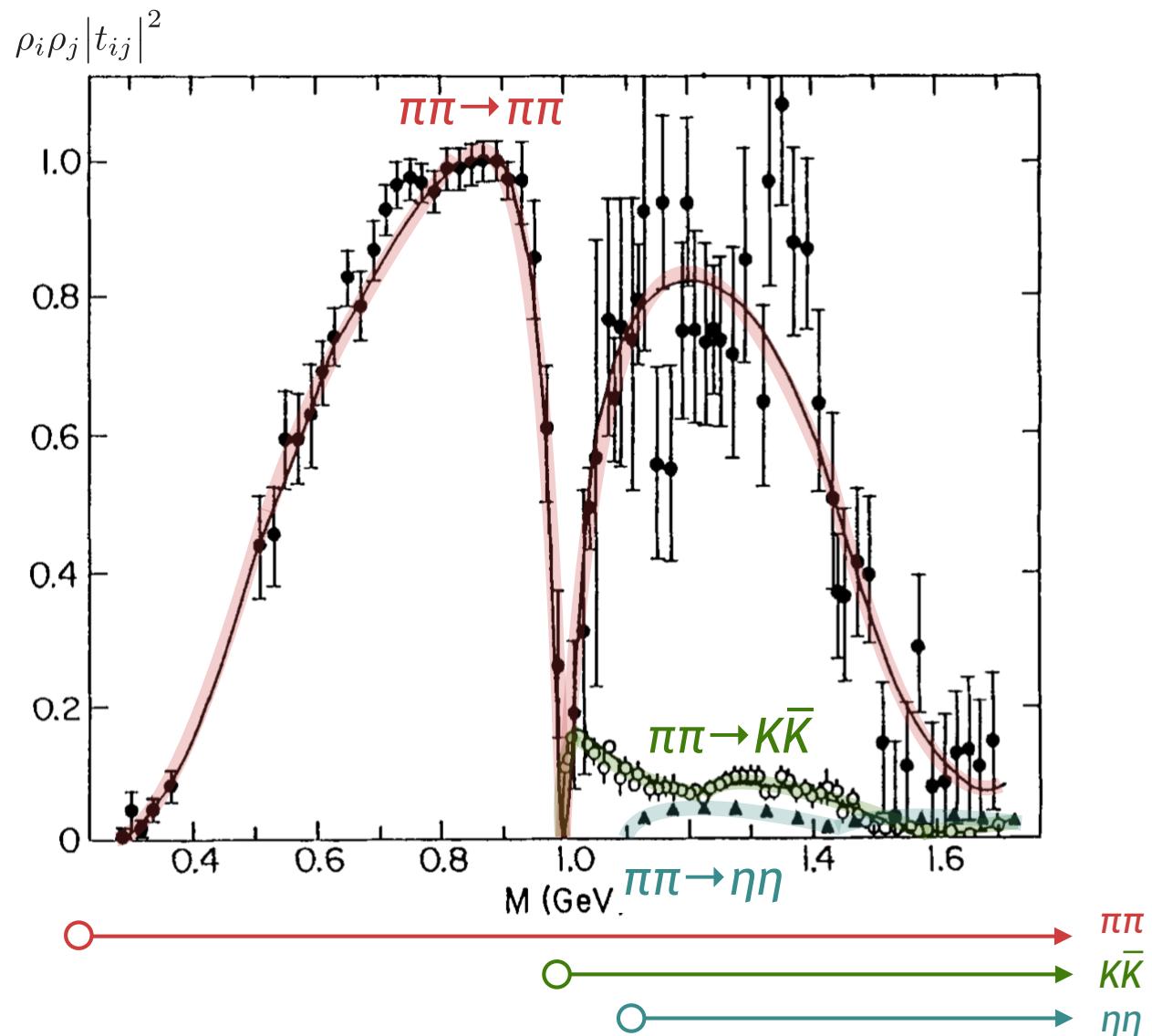
notice the smooth behavior below threshold  
& absence of a singularity at  $s=0$

equivalent to the scalar loop integral



$$16\pi i \int \frac{d^4 p}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{p^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon} \frac{1}{(K-p)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

[ regularization → subtraction ]



explore this non-trivial system ...  
... at a higher quark mass ...

[000]  $A_1^+$   $24^3$

$a_t E$

0.24

0.22

0.20

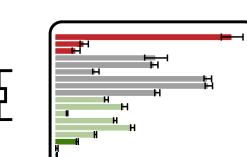
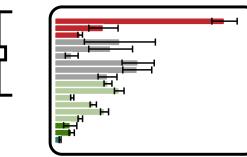
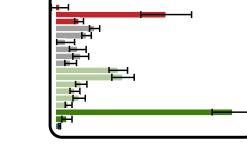
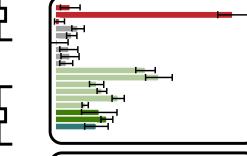
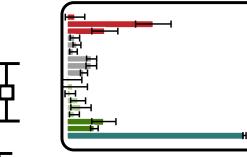
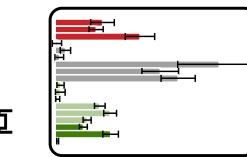
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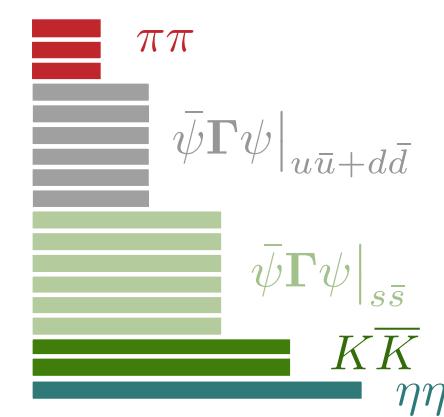
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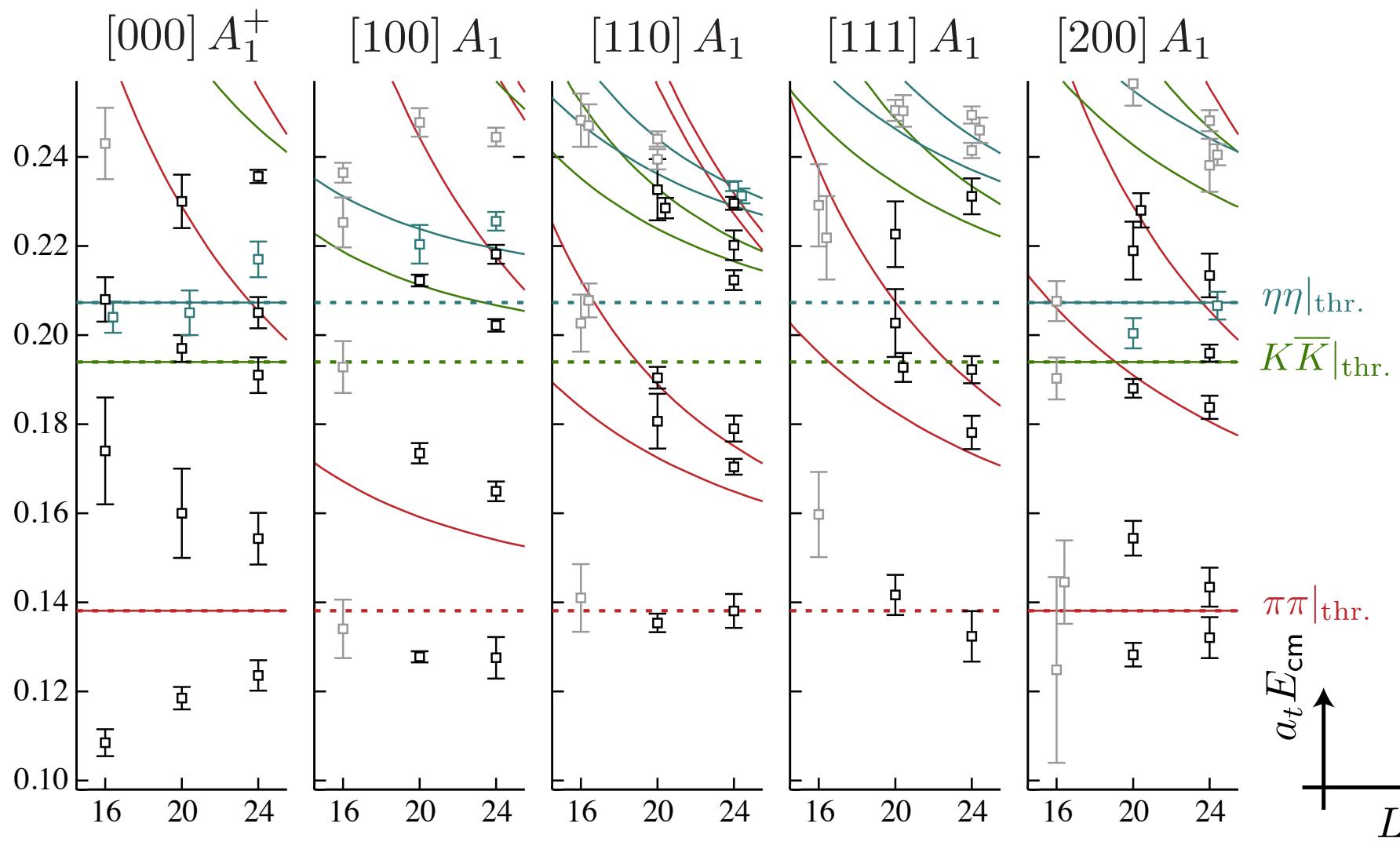
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$a_t m_\pi = 0.069$   
 $a_t m_K = 0.097$   
 $a_t m_\eta = 0.104$

operator basis



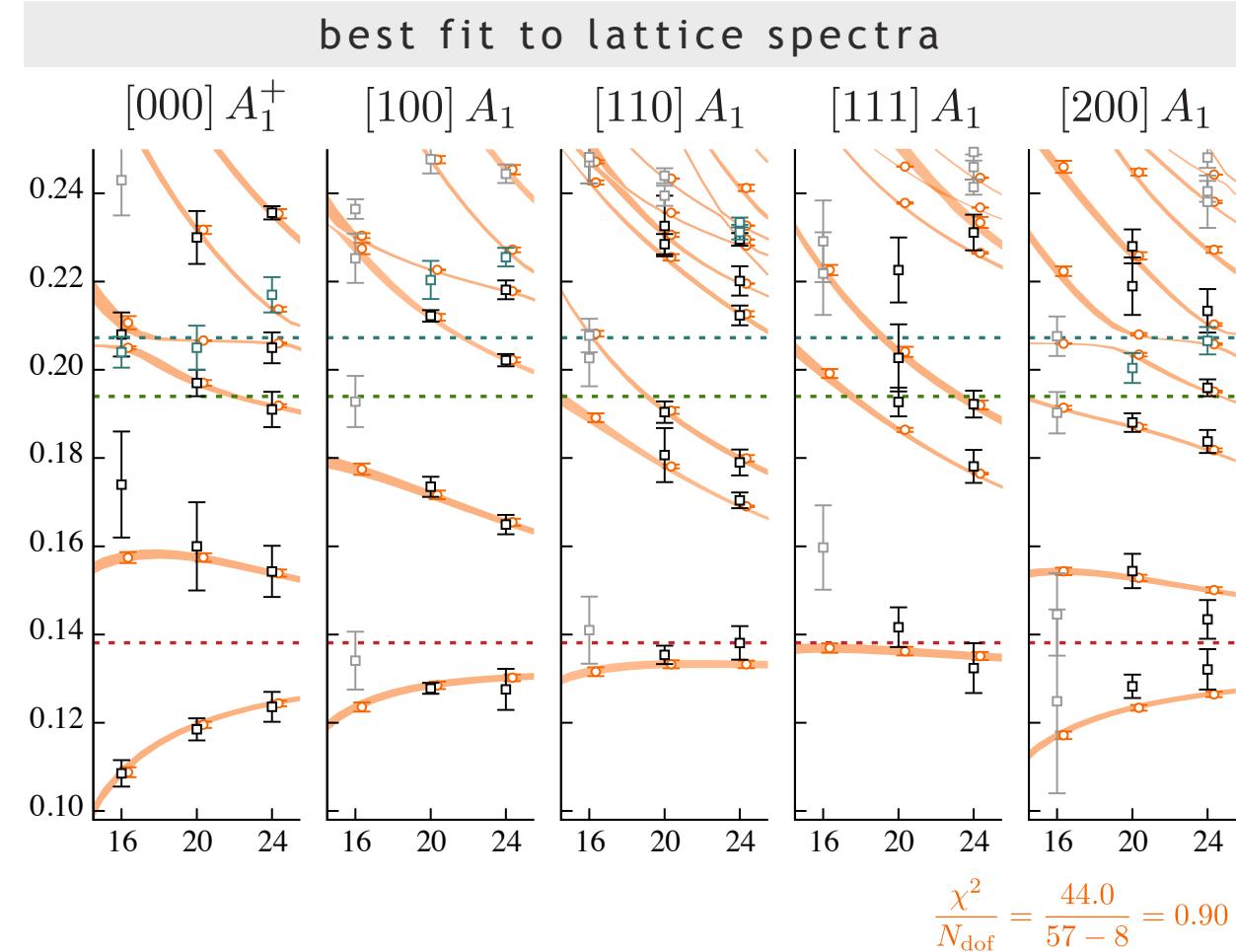


what  $t$ -matrix gives these spectra?

not obvious what amplitude parameterization likely to describe the spectra well – try many ...

$$\text{e.g. } \mathbf{K}^{-1}(s) = \begin{pmatrix} a + b s & c + d s & e \\ c + d s & f & g \\ e & g & h \end{pmatrix}$$

{  $a \dots h$  } are free parameters

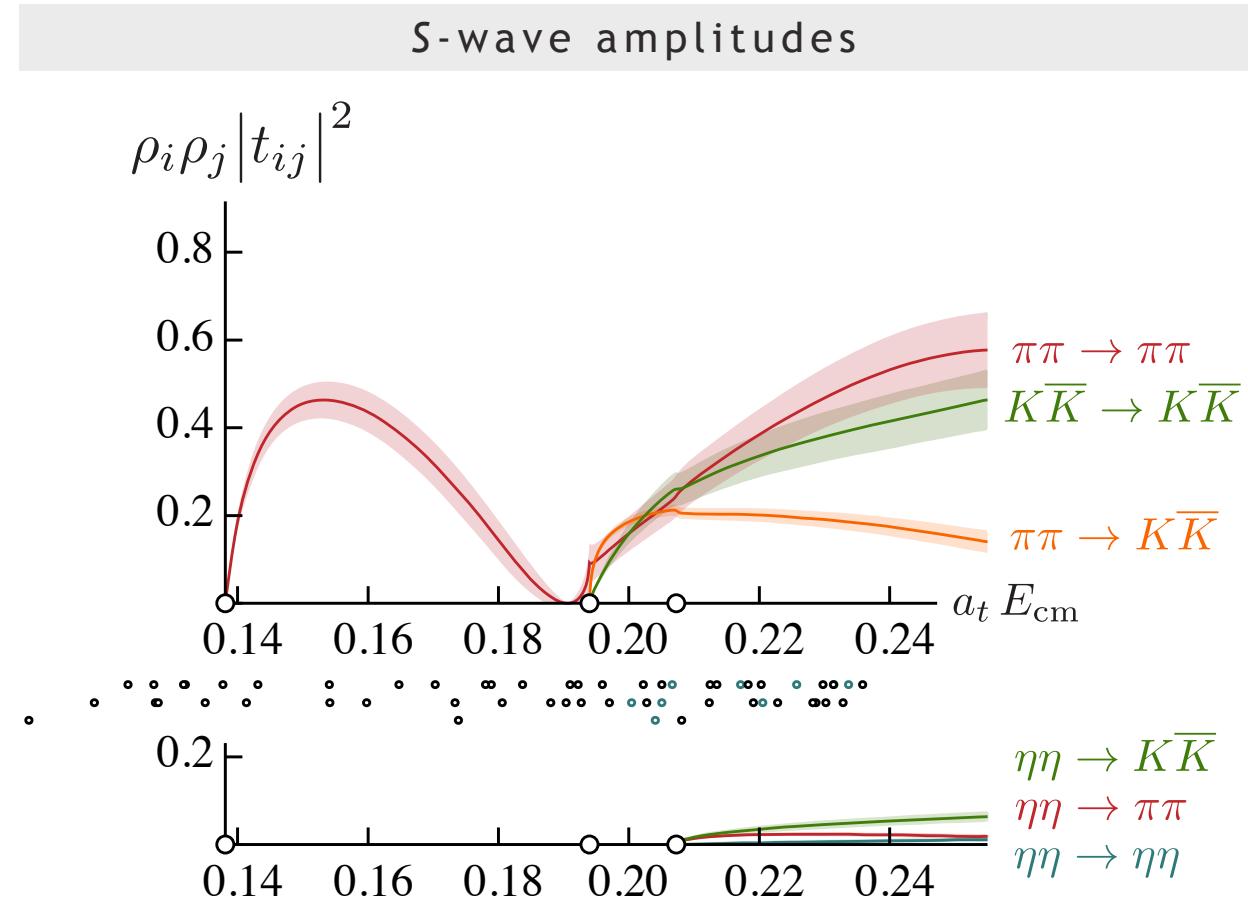


with Chew-Mandelstam phase-space

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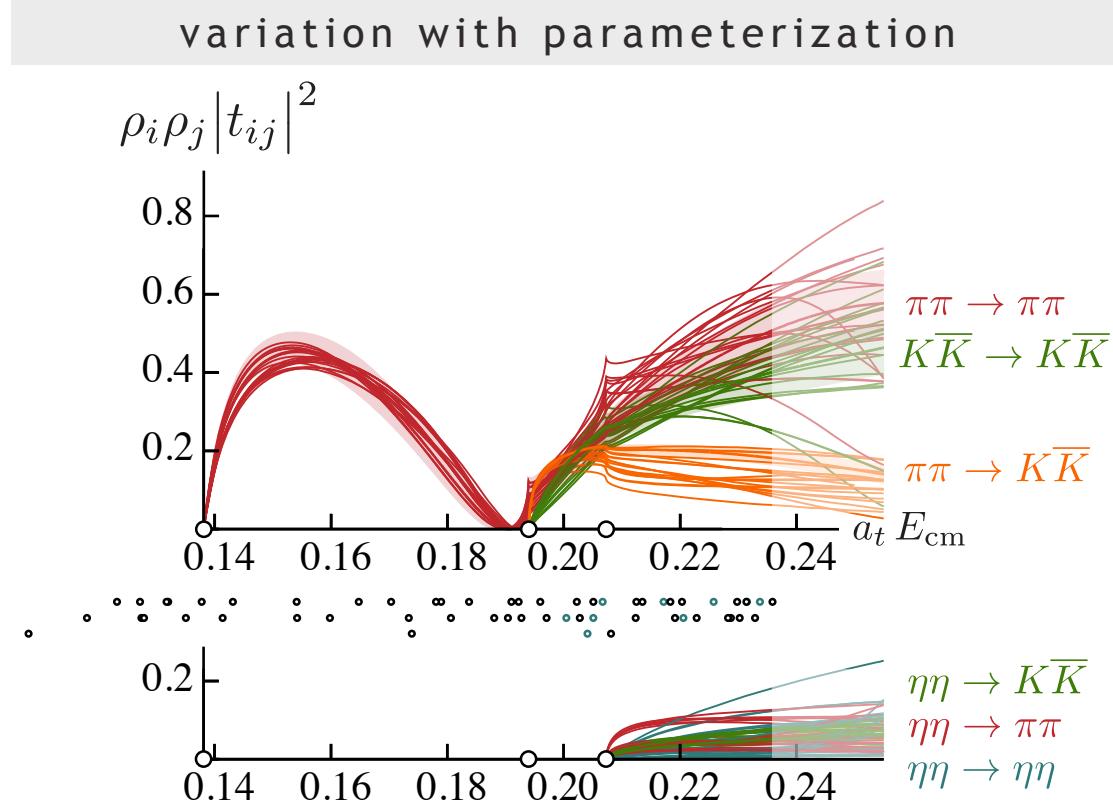
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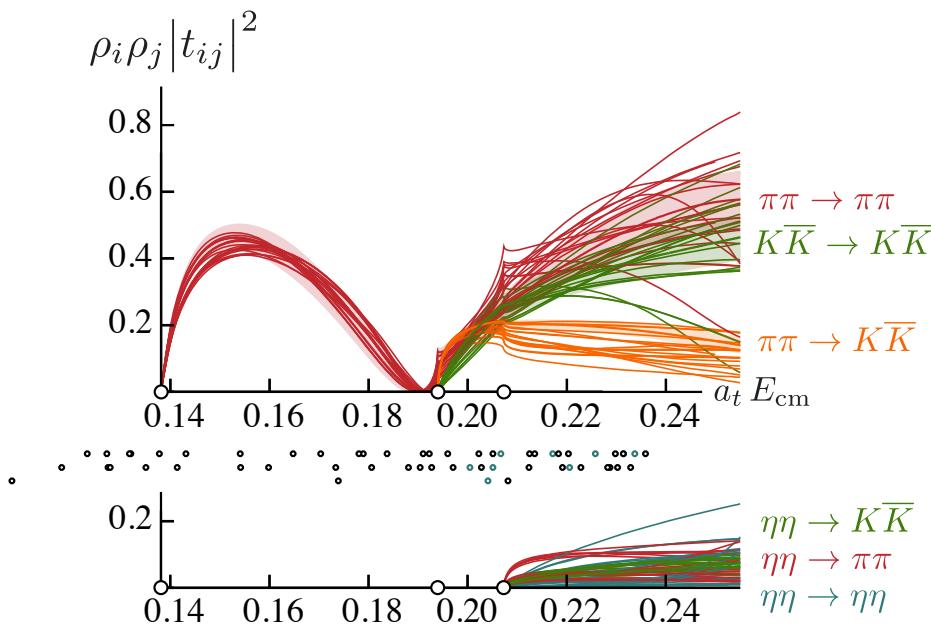
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$K^{-1}$  as matrix of polynomials,  
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 $K$  as pole plus matrix of polynomials,  
simple versus Chew-Mandelstam phase-space ...

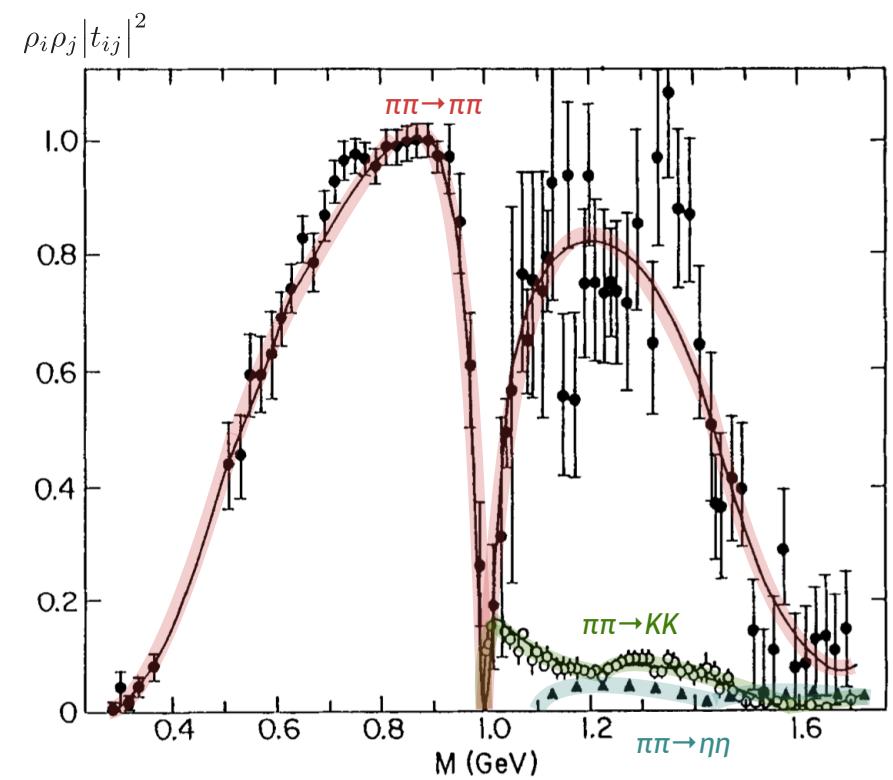
keep choices that can describe spectra with good  $\chi^2$



scattering amplitude ‘prediction’



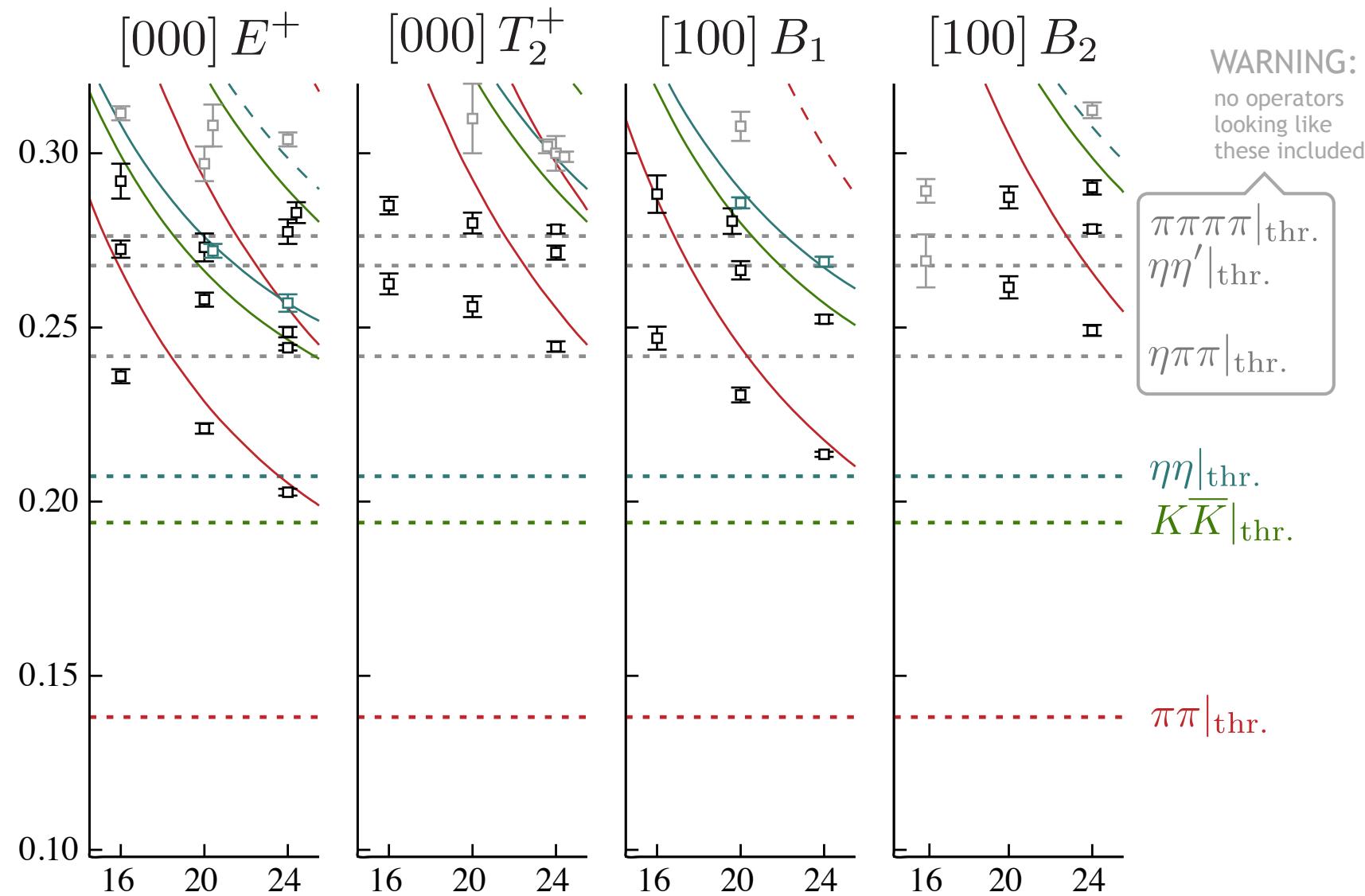
‘analogous’ experimental data



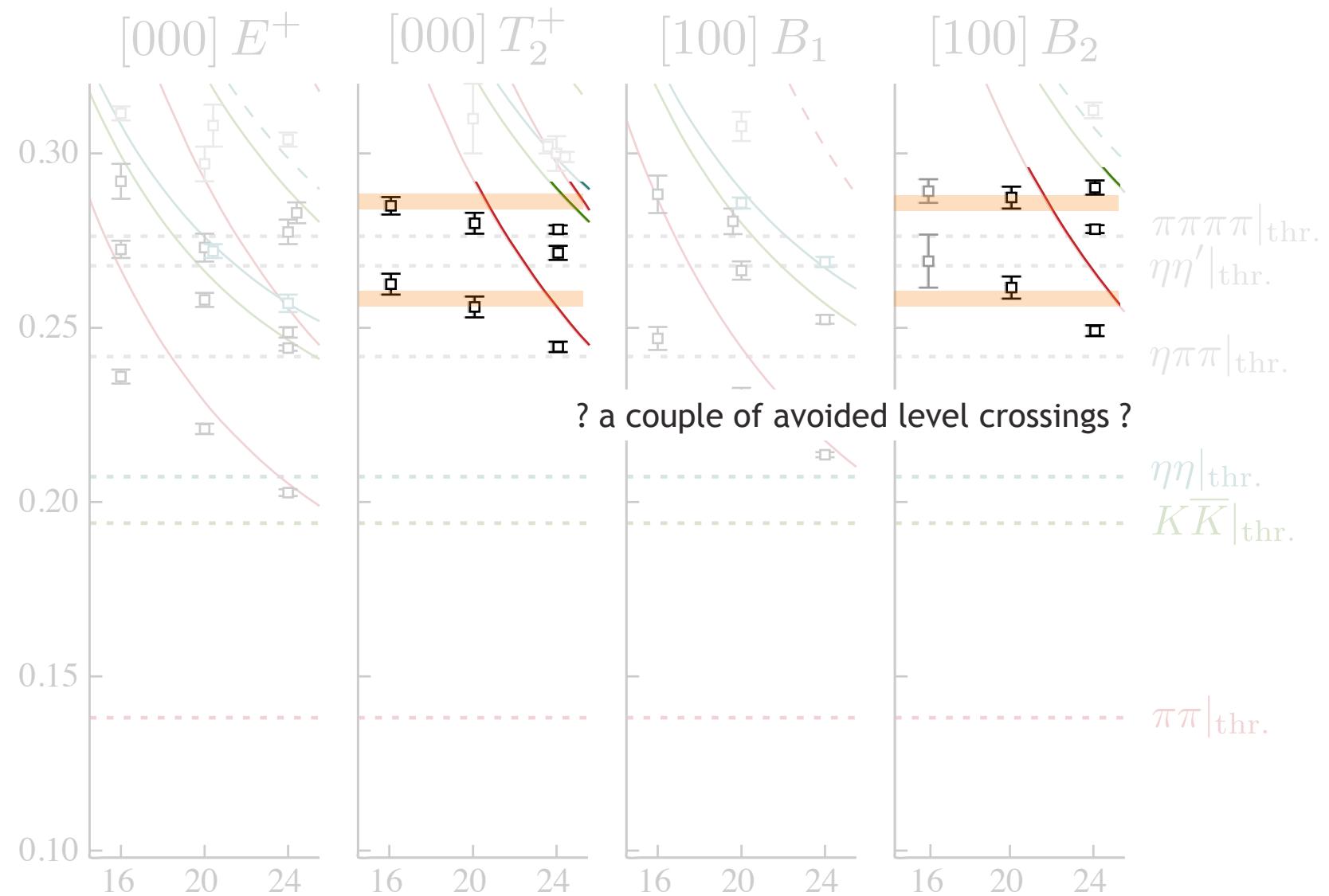
... but what do we do with this ?

... is this strange energy dependence due to resonances ?

also computed spectra for irreps with lowest subduced spin  $J=2$



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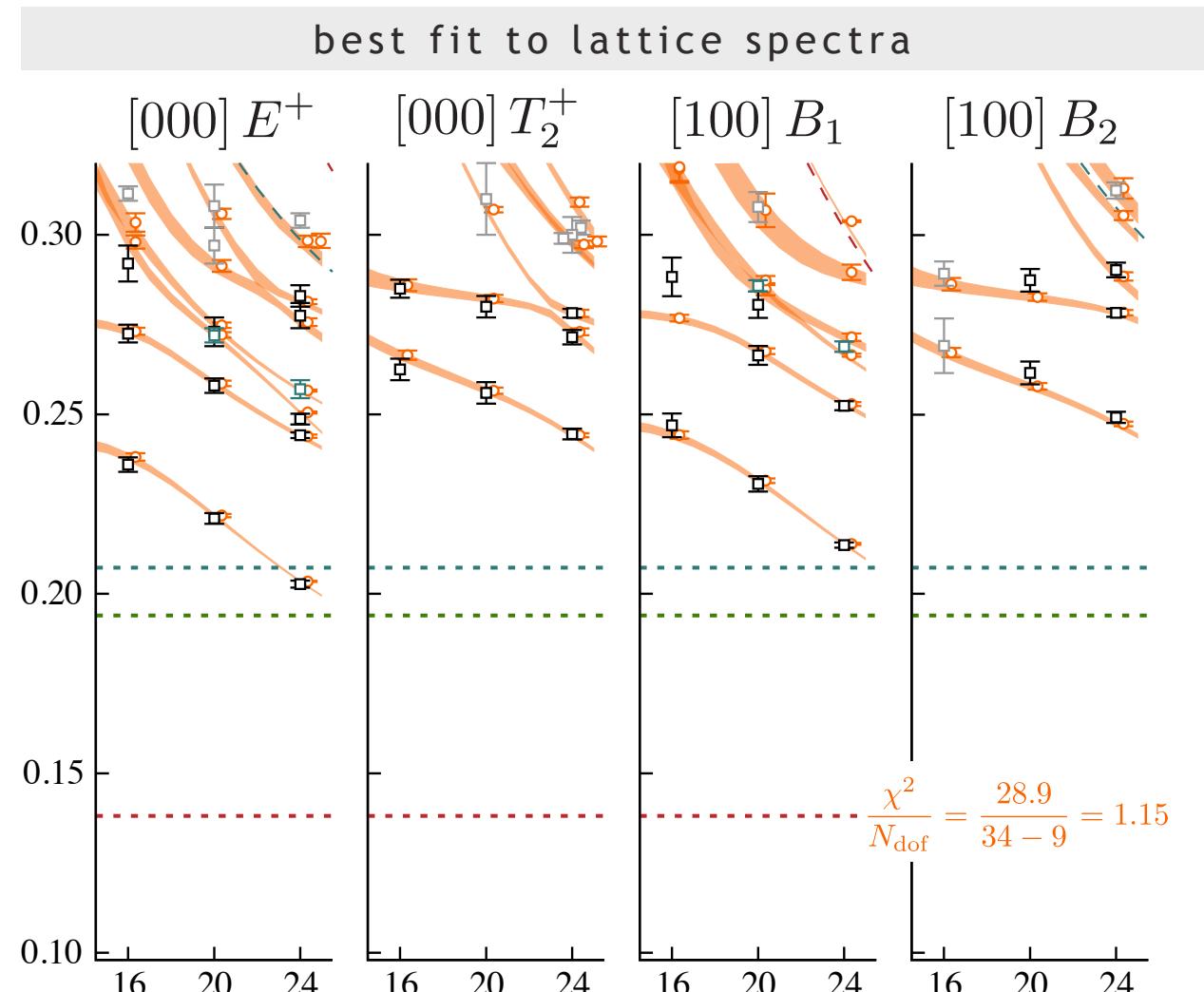


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$$\gamma = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \gamma_{\eta\eta,\eta\eta} \end{pmatrix}$$

and the simple phase-space

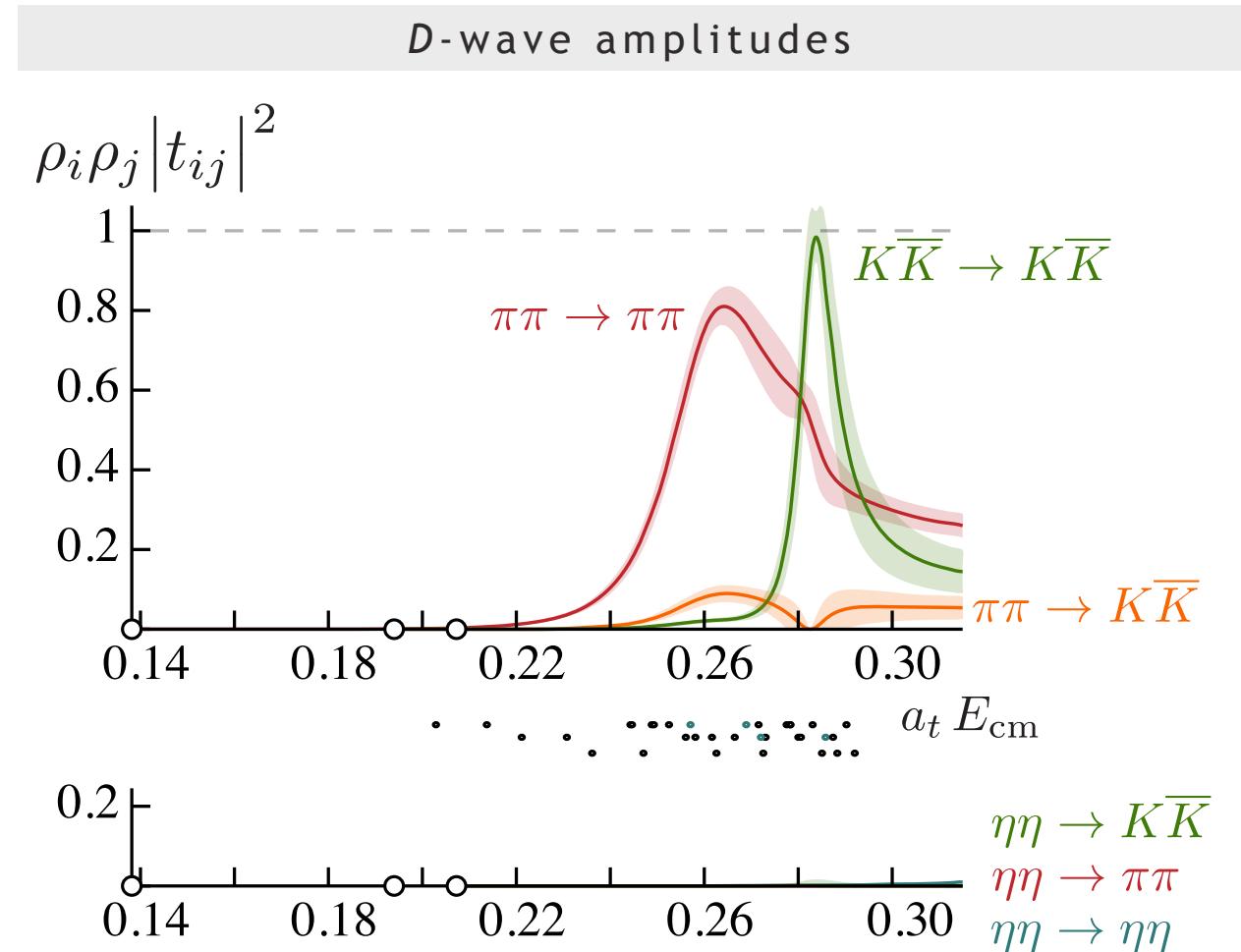


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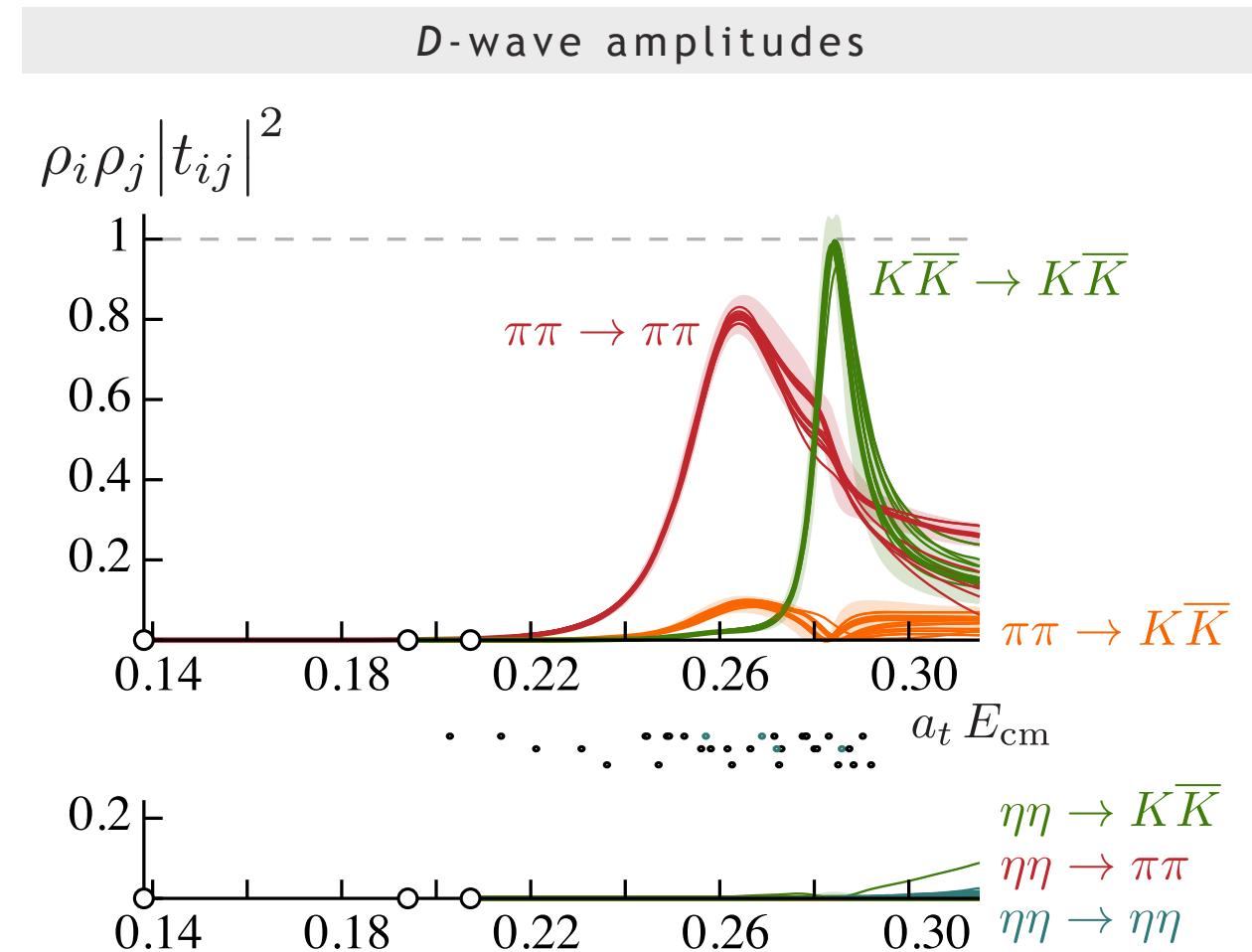
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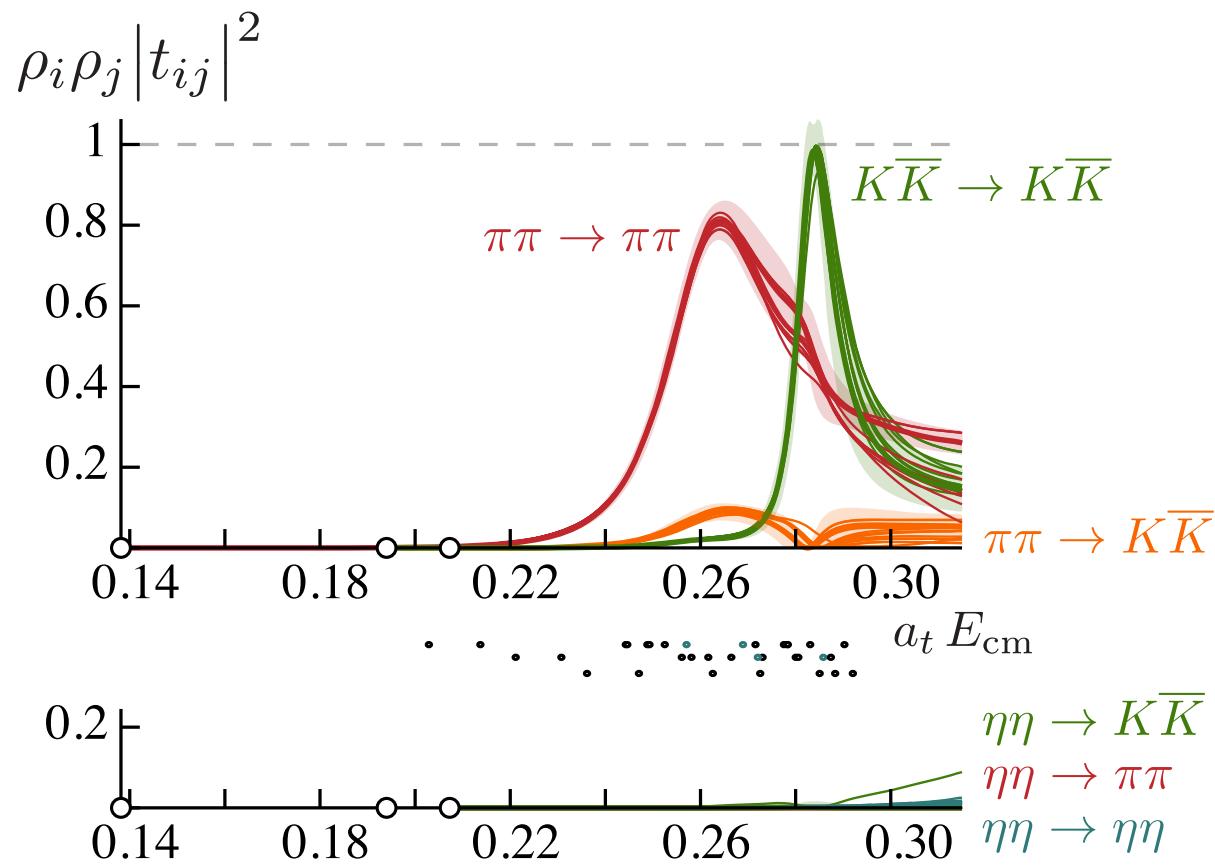
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... and varying the particular choice of parameterization ...



D-wave amplitudes



- ‘looks like’ two resonances
- lighter one has larger width, big coupling to  $\pi\pi$
  - heavier one has smaller width, big coupling to  $K\bar{K}$

... there must be a more rigorous way to know the resonance content ?