

lattice QCD and the hadron spectrum

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very little referencing in these lectures
most references can be found in this review

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if I have time at the end ...

other applications of lattice QCD technology

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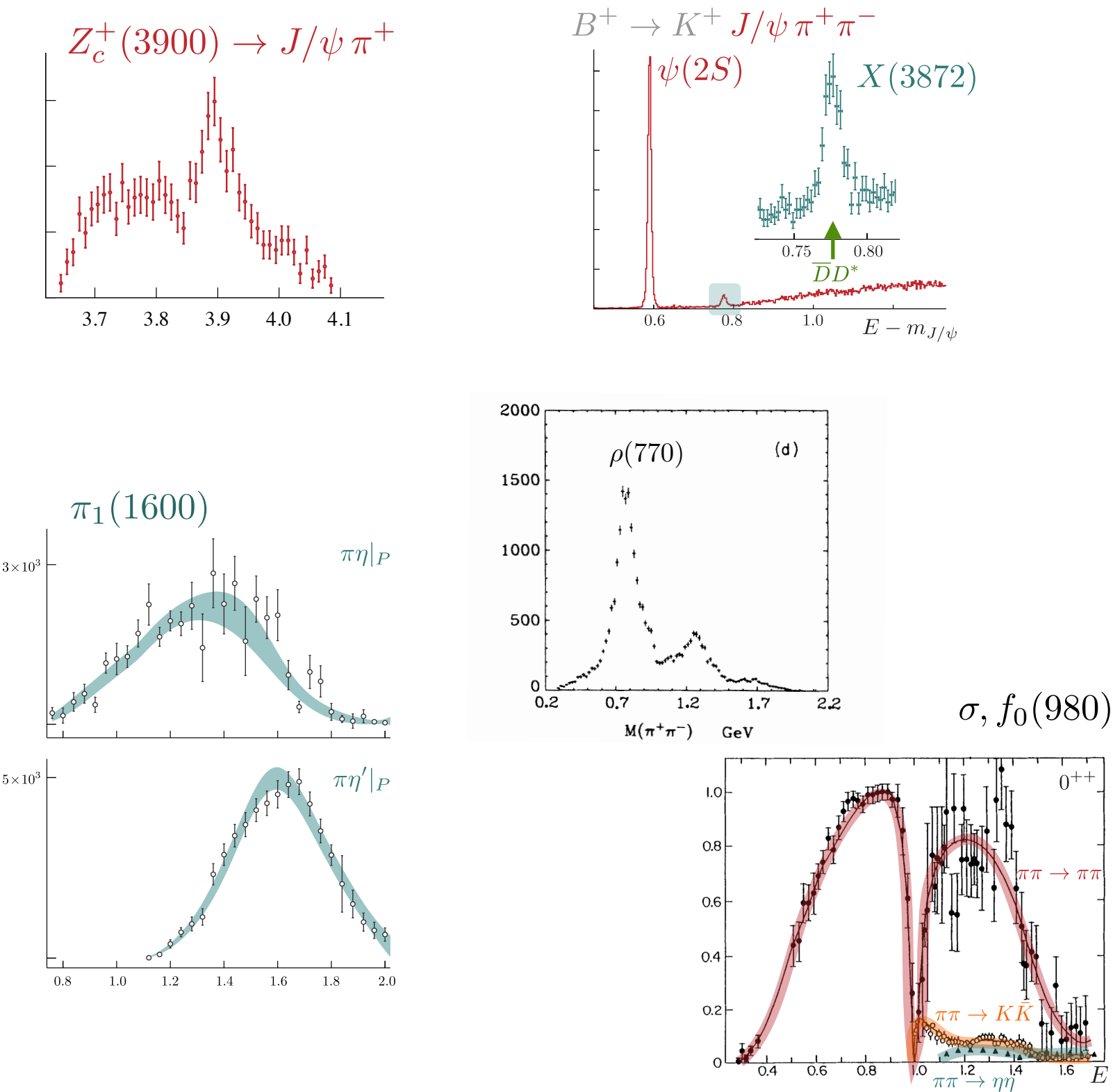
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experimental signals



‘theory’ ?

$q\bar{q}$ mesons
glueballs
hybrids
tetraquarks
molecules
...

these are ‘pictures’

the theory is QCD

... how do we bridge the gap ?

I’ll try to show you over
the next few lectures

want to study excited hadrons as they really are — **rapidly decaying resonances**

$$\tau_\rho = \frac{\hbar}{\Gamma_\rho} \rightarrow 4 \times 10^{-24} \text{ s}$$

same strong dynamics that binds them also causes their decay
can't treat decay as a perturbation

e.g. ρ resonance: $m_\rho \sim 800 \text{ MeV}$ $\Gamma_\rho \sim 150 \text{ MeV}$

compare hydrogen: $E_{2P} \sim \text{eV}$ $\Gamma_{2P} = \frac{\hbar}{\tau_{2P}} \sim 10^{-7} \text{ eV}$

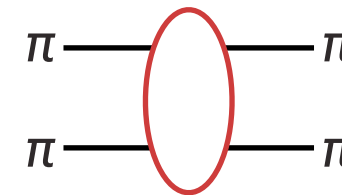
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we need to compute **scattering amplitudes** and see if they resonate

start with the simplest case: **elastic scattering** ...

e.g.



amplitude
 $t(E, \cos \theta)$

differential cross-section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \propto |t(E, \cos \theta)|^2$$

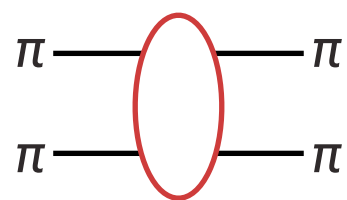
pion, π , is a $J^P=0^-$ hadron,

stable in pure QCD

mass near 140 MeV

isospin=1, π^+ , π^- , π^0

long-lived enough to make
charged beams



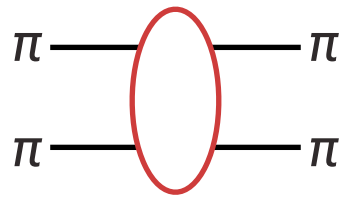
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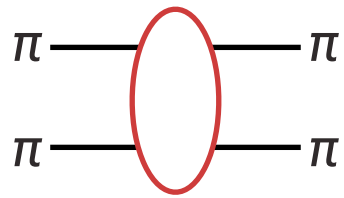
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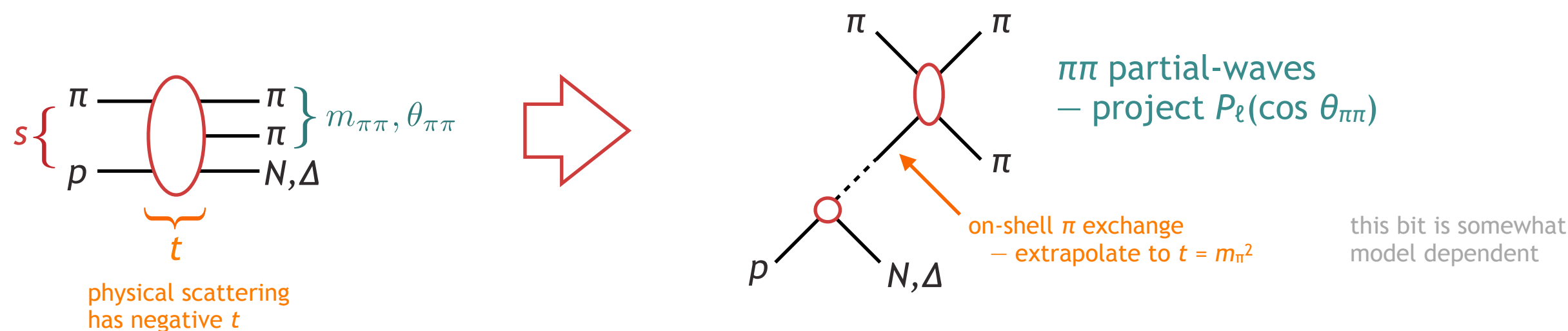
can parameterise elastic scattering
in terms of a single real parameter

$$t_{\ell}(E) = \frac{1}{\rho(E)} e^{i\delta_{\ell}(E)} \sin \boxed{\delta_{\ell}(E)}$$

‘phase-shift’

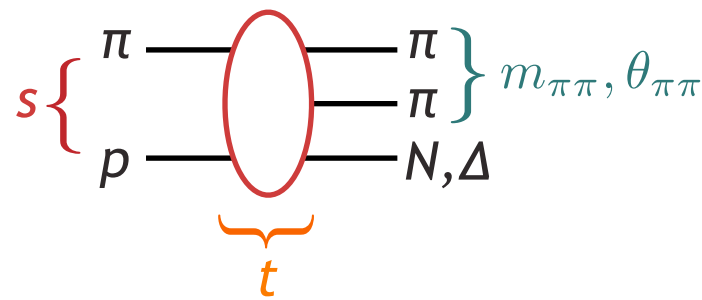
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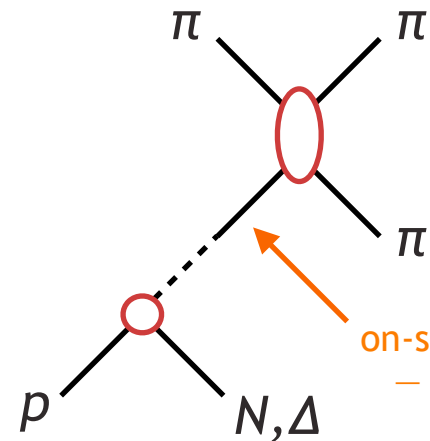


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physical scattering
has negative t

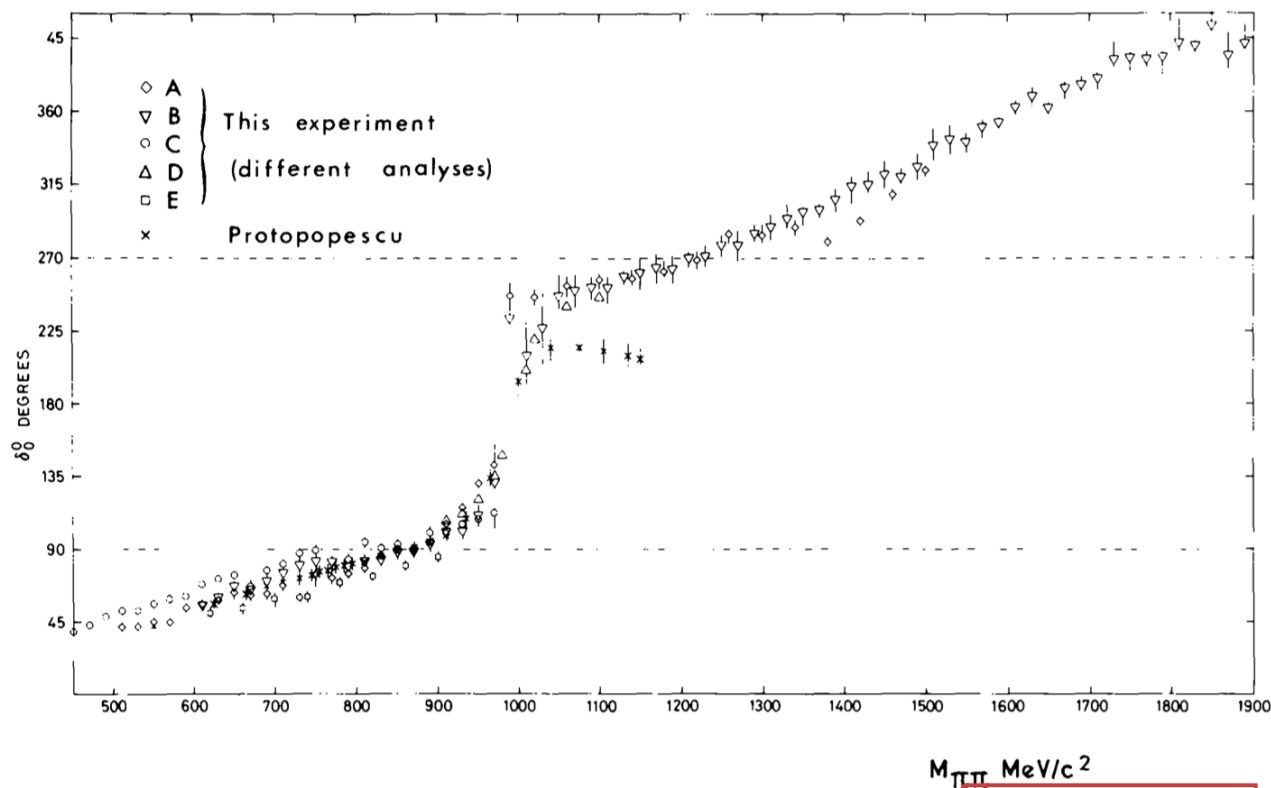


$\pi\pi$ partial-waves
— project $P_\ell(\cos \theta_{\pi\pi})$

on-shell π exchange
— extrapolate to $t = m_\pi^2$

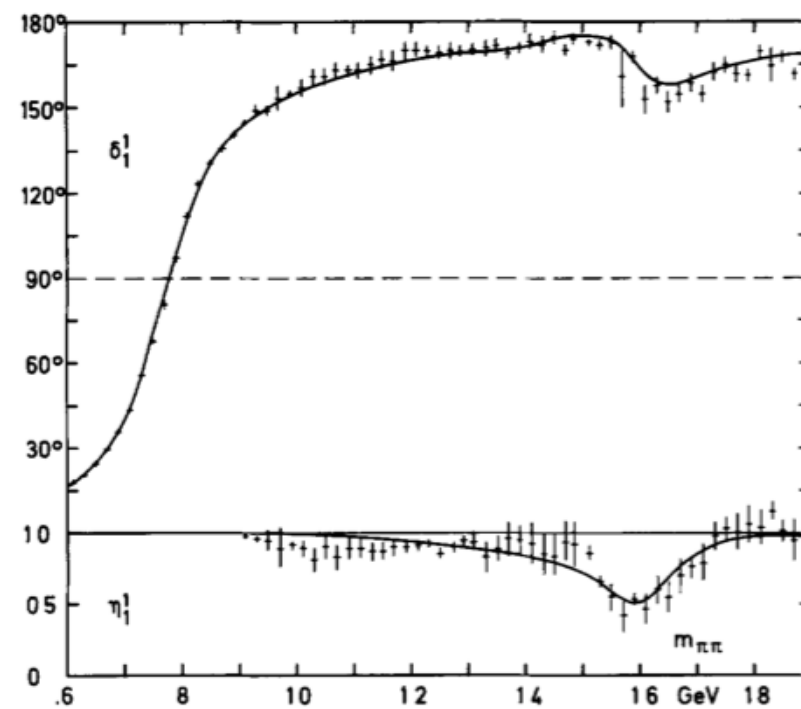
this bit is somewhat
model dependent

isospin=0



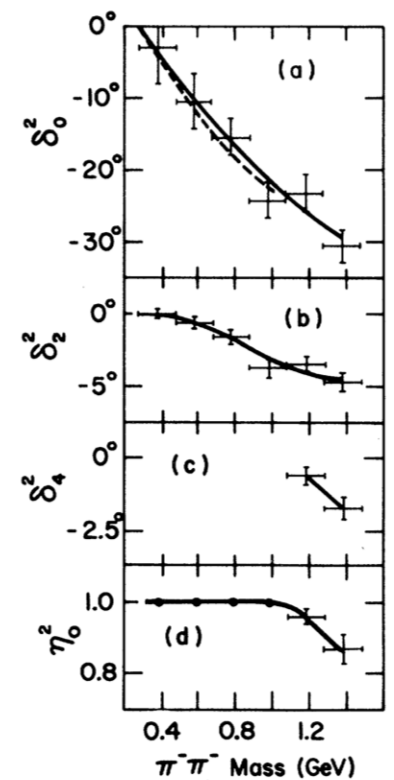
Gray 1974

isospin=1



Hyams 1973

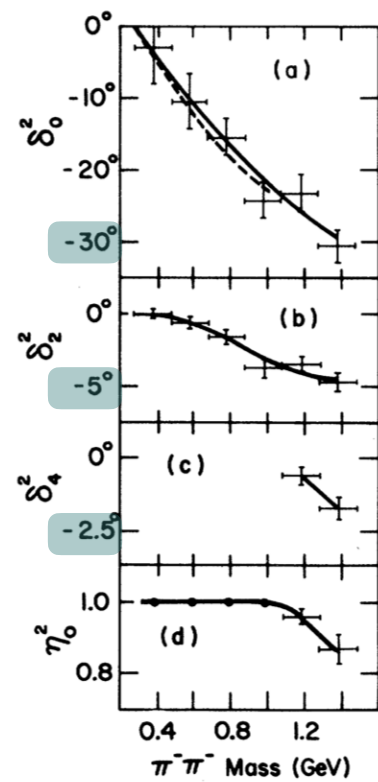
isospin=2



Cohen 1972

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$\ell=0$, a.k.a “S-wave”

isospin=2 phase-shift is **small** and **negative**

$\ell=2$, a.k.a “D-wave”

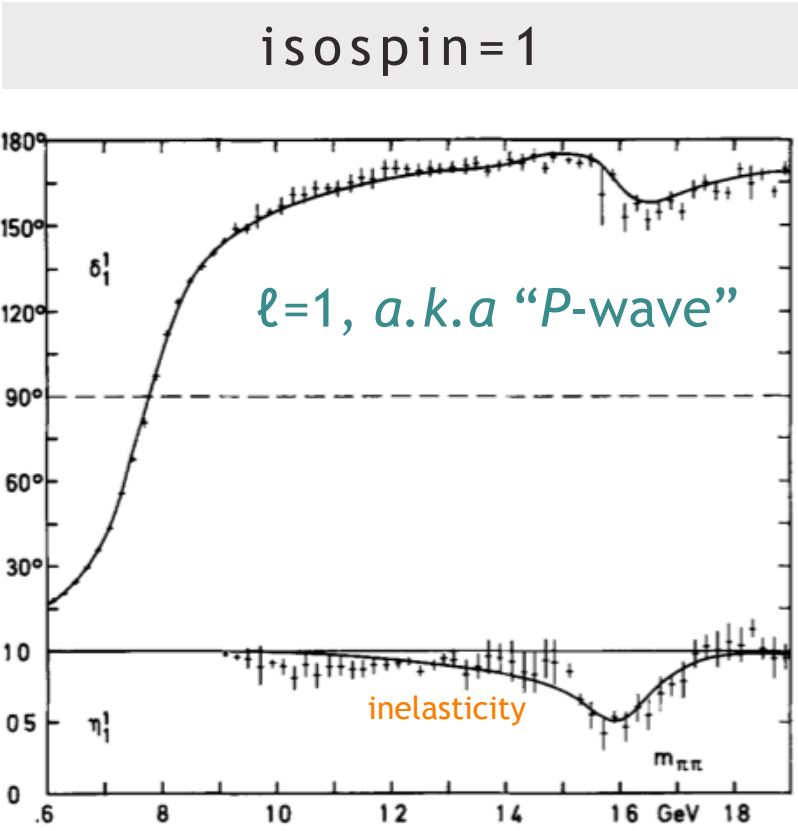
at low energies $|\delta_0| \gg |\delta_2| \gg |\delta_4| \dots$

$\ell=4$, a.k.a “G-wave”

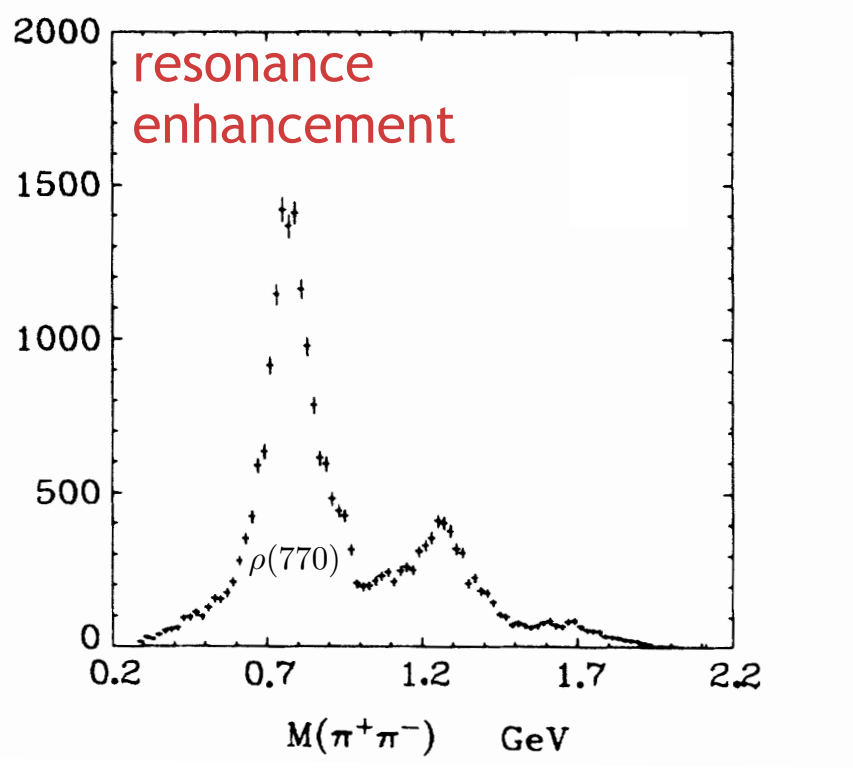
inelasticity

— indicates other final states accessible

$$t_\ell(E) = \frac{\eta_\ell(E) e^{2i\delta_\ell(E)} - 1}{2i\rho(E)}$$



isospin=1 phase-shift **rises rapidly through 90°** near 770 MeV
gives rise to a ‘bump’ in the cross-section



this is the famous ρ resonance

$\rho(770)$

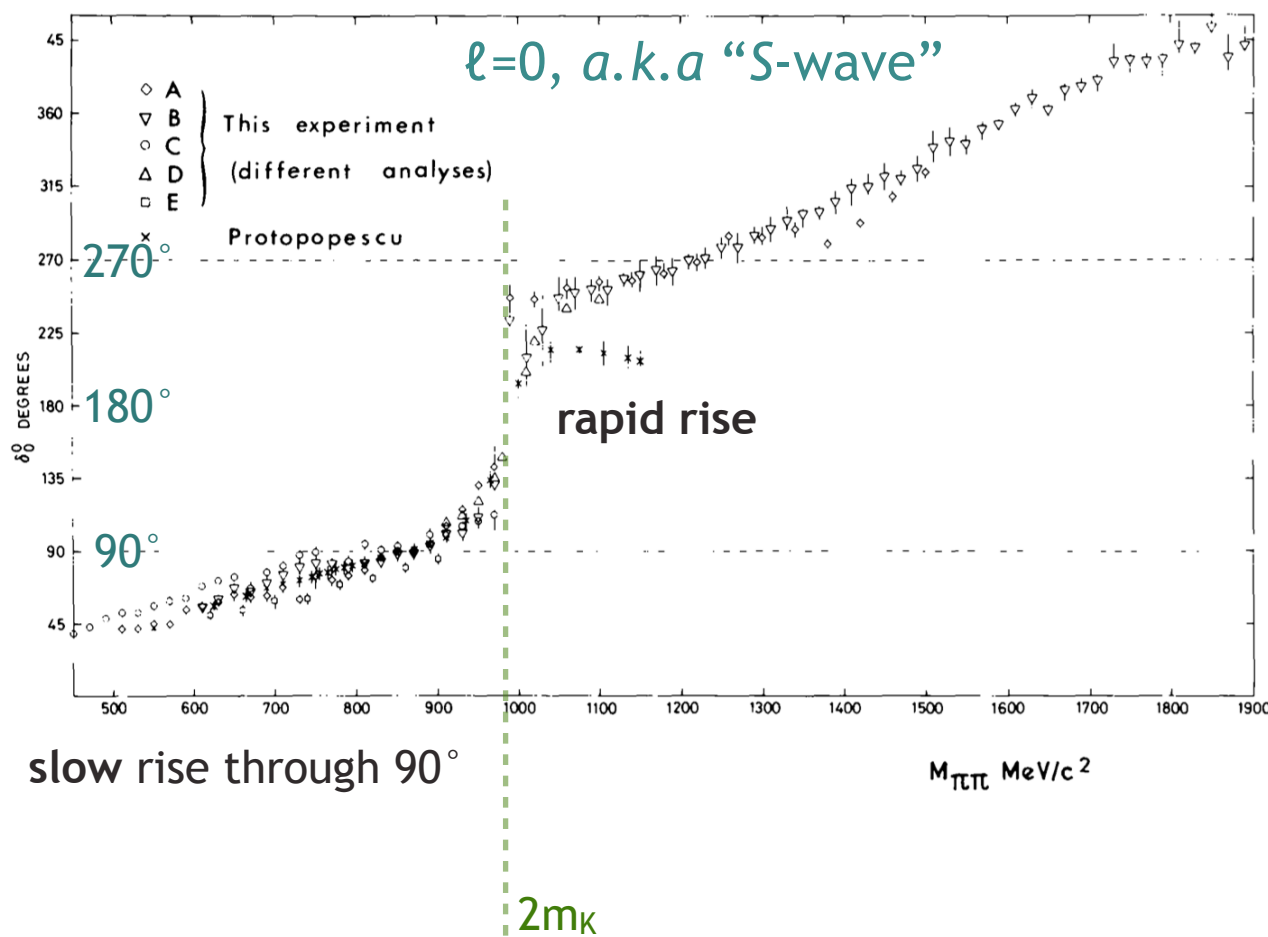
$$I^G(J^{PC}) = 1^+(1^--)$$

Mass $m = 775.26 \pm 0.25$ MeV
Full width $\Gamma = 149.1 \pm 0.8$ MeV

$\rho(770)$ DECAY MODES	Fraction (Γ_i/Γ)	p (MeV/c)
$\pi\pi$	~ 100	363

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

isospin=0



interpretation of isospin=0
phase-shift is **interesting** !

will come back to it later ...

this $\pi\pi$ system is **relativistic** scattering of **composite particles**

— we are going to need **quantum field theory**

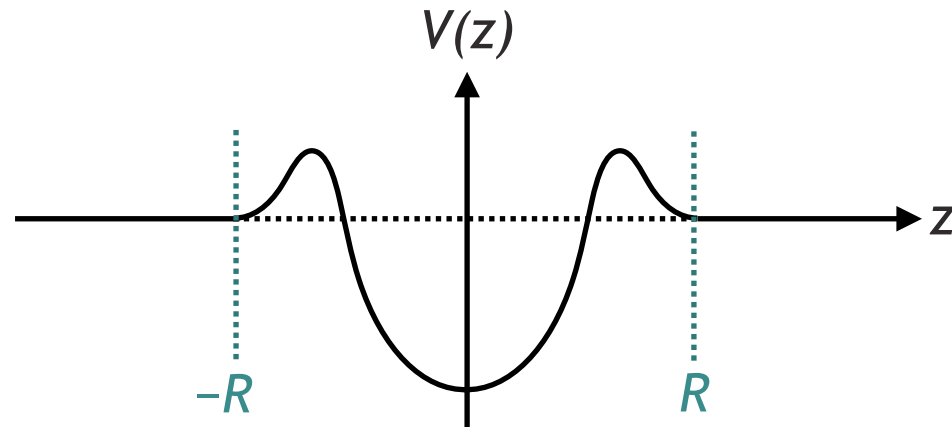
— but first let’s orient ourselves with good old fashioned quantum mechanics ...

most easily illustrated considering **one-dimensional non-relativistic quantum mechanics**

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interacting through a finite-range potential $V(z)$

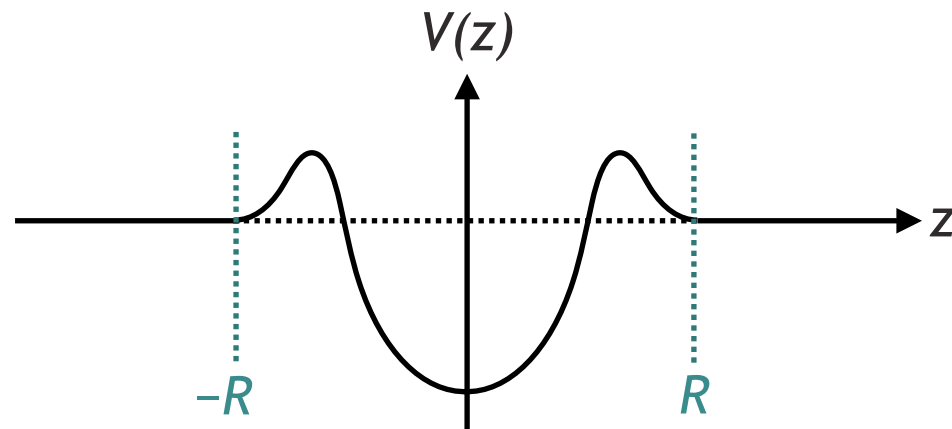
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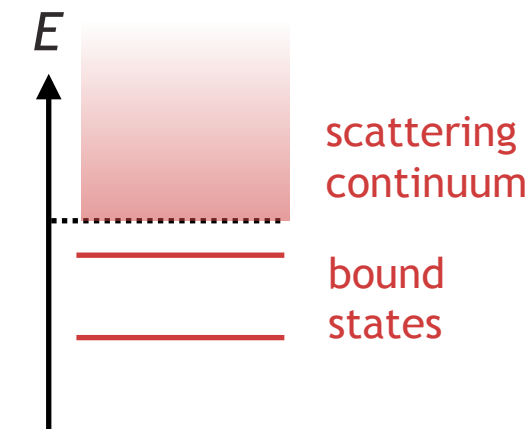
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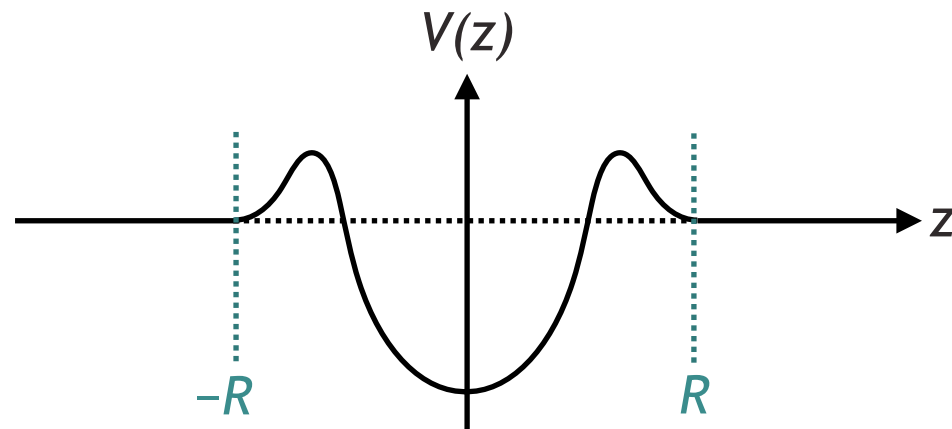
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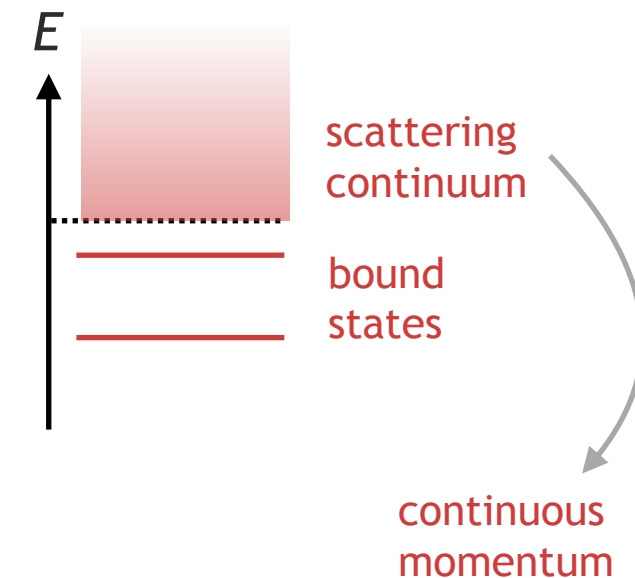
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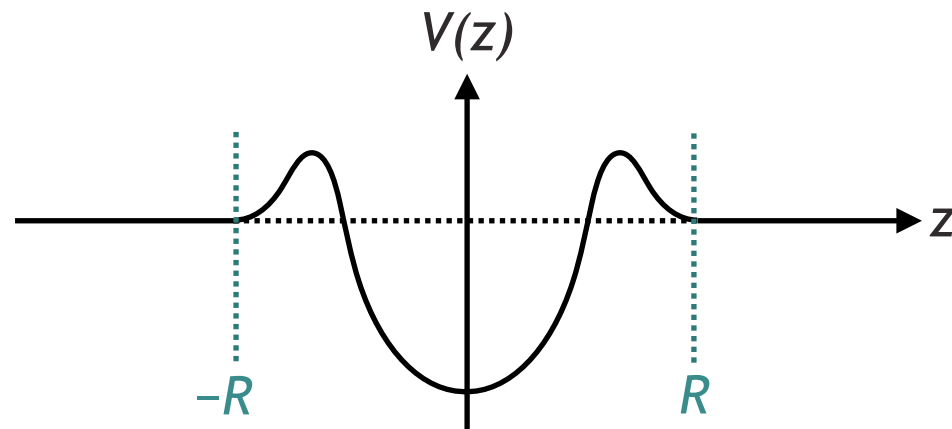
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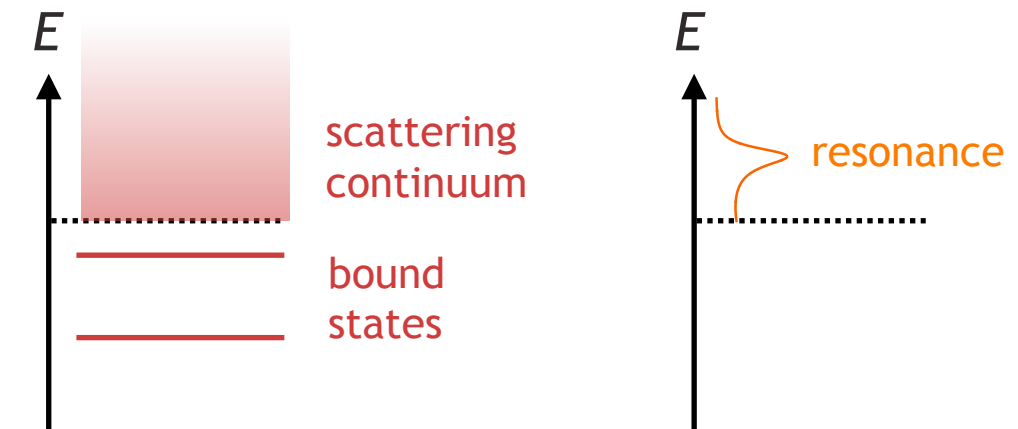
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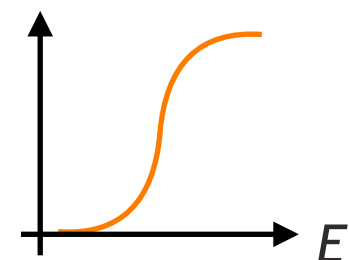
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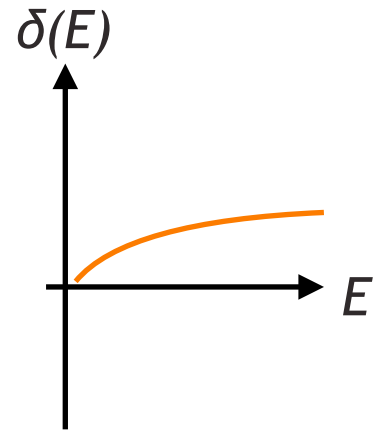
phase-shift



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phase-shift

e.g.



‘weak’ attraction

c.f. $\pi\pi$ isospin=0
at low energy ?

generally, consider
S-matrix

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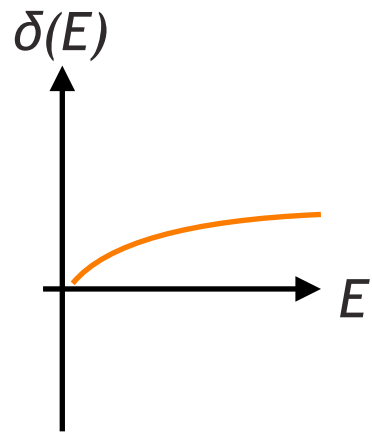
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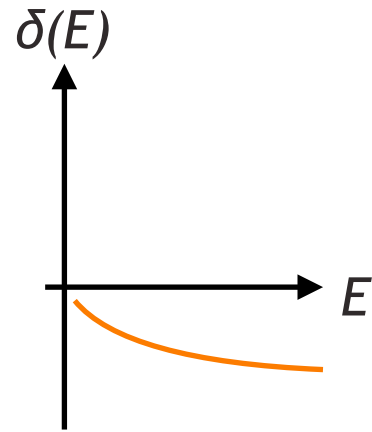
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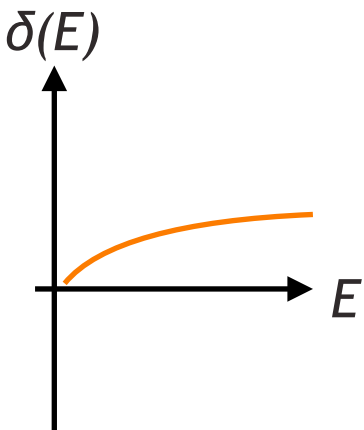
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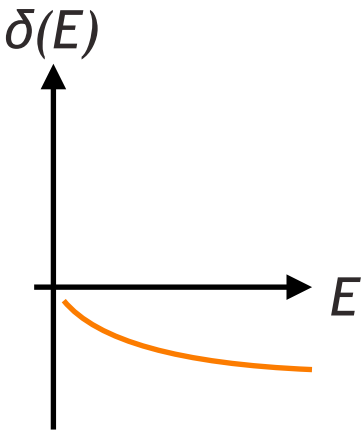
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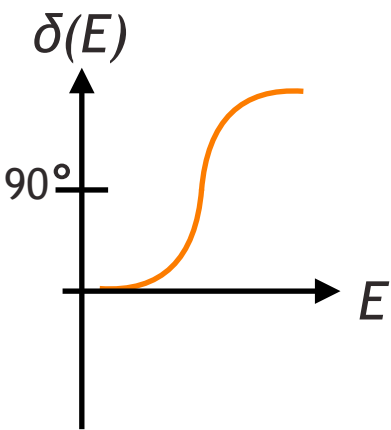
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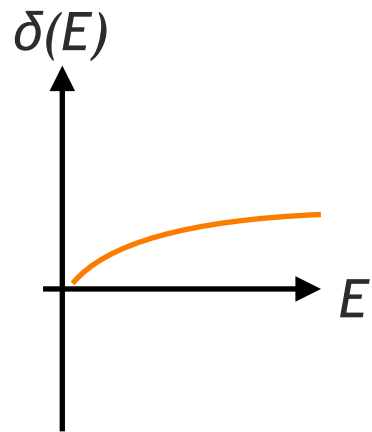
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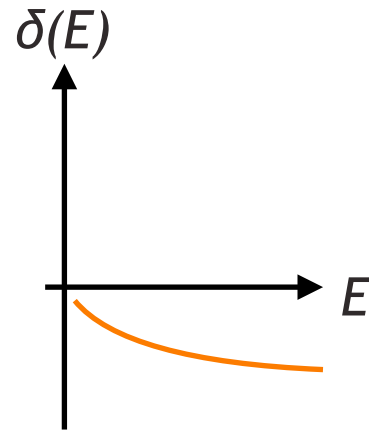
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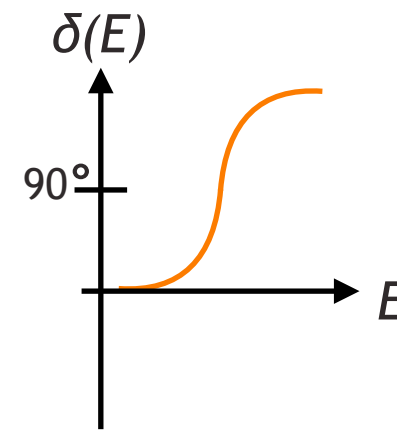
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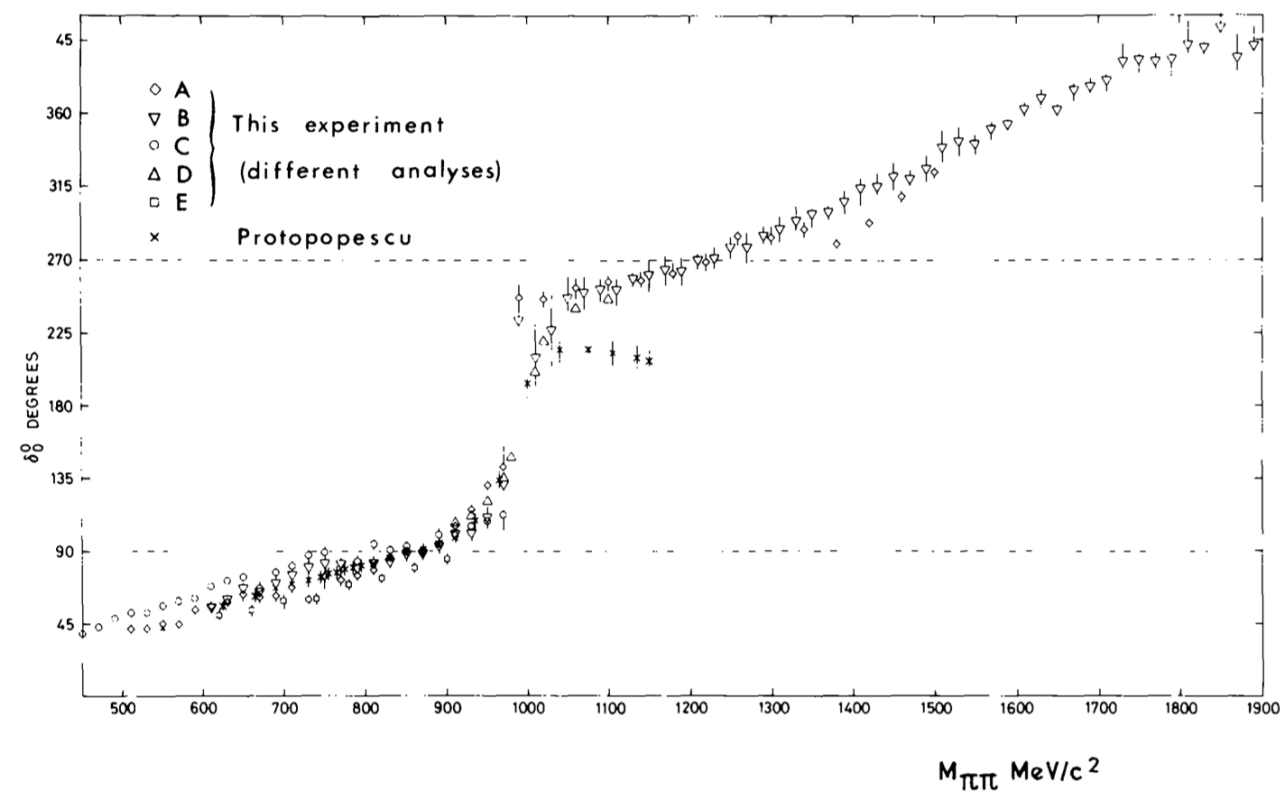
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scattering in three-dimensions:

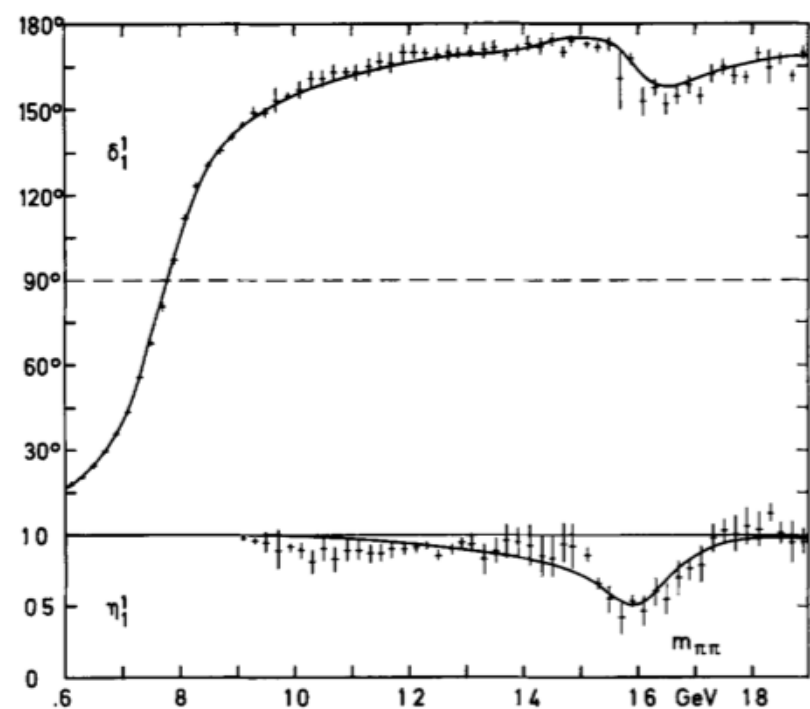
brings in the concept of the angular momentum ‘barrier’ $\sim \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2}$ which causes $\delta_\ell(p) \sim p^{2\ell+1}$

suppresses higher
partial-waves
at low energies

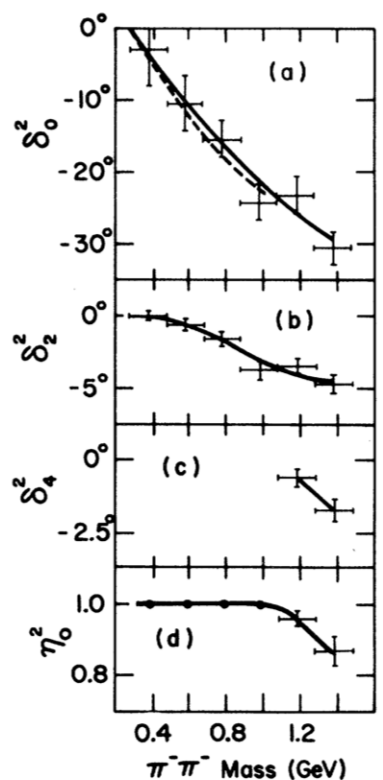
isospin=0



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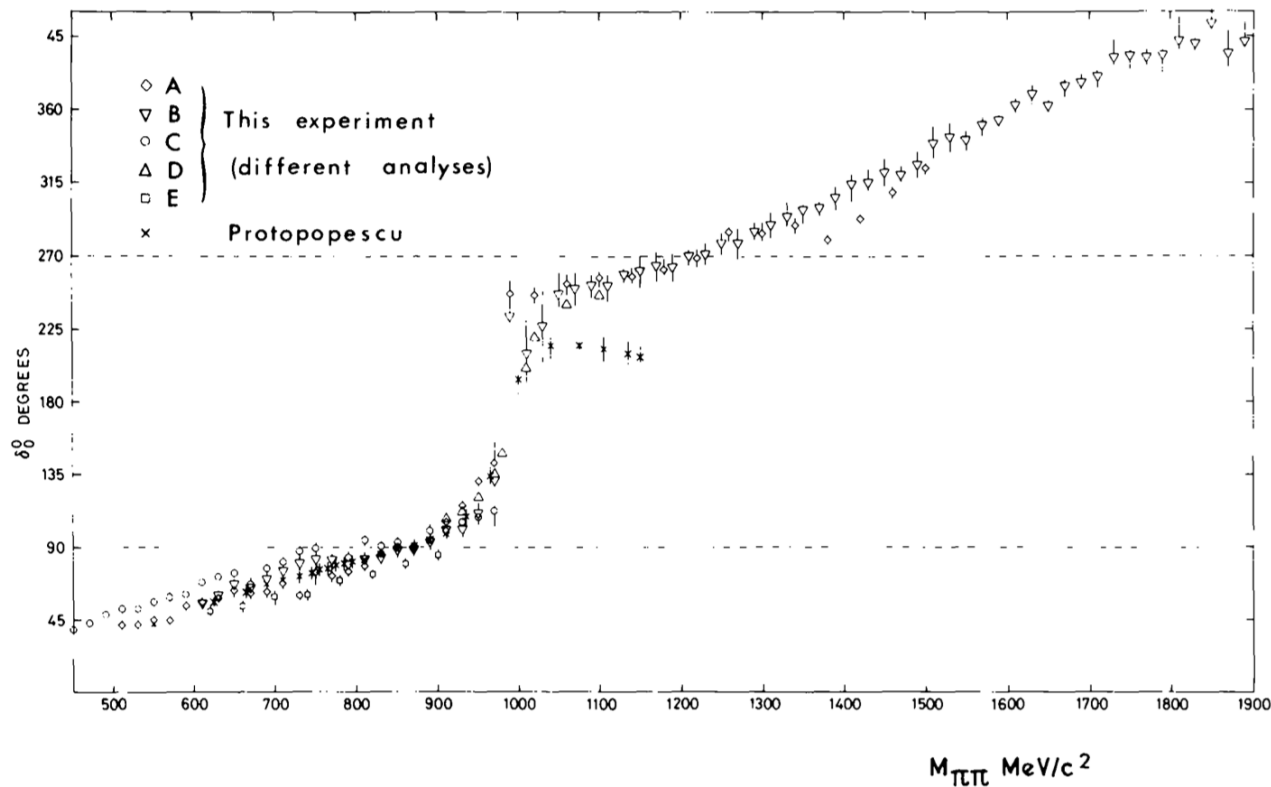
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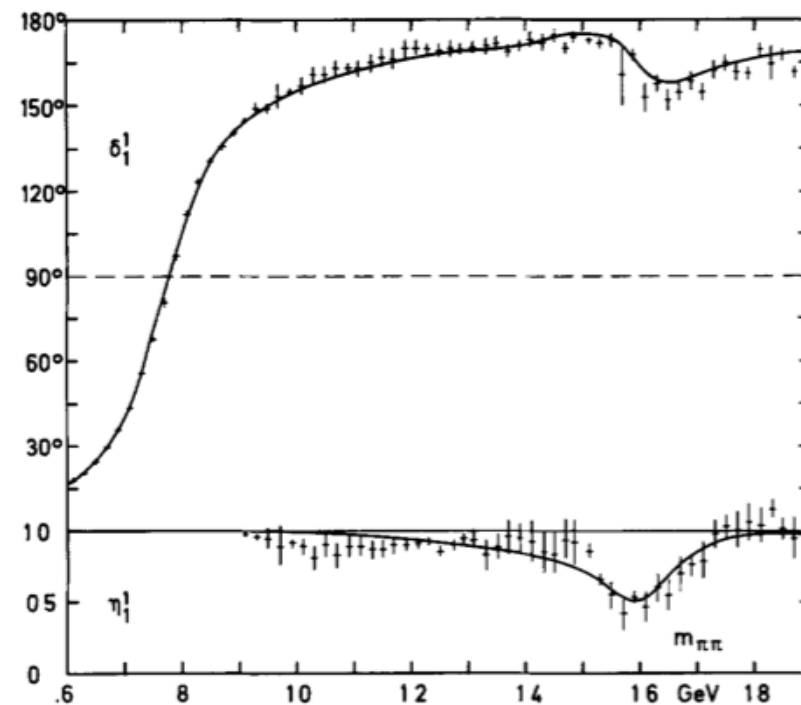
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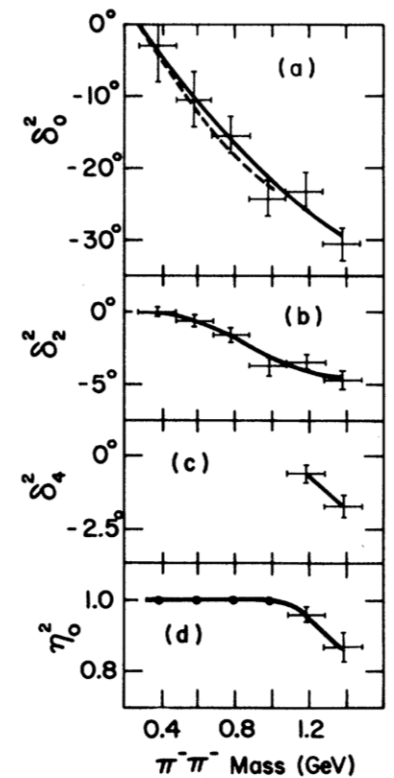


narrow resonance

can make isospin=1 from $q\bar{q}$

$$u\bar{d}, d\bar{u}, u\bar{u} - d\bar{d}$$

isospin=2



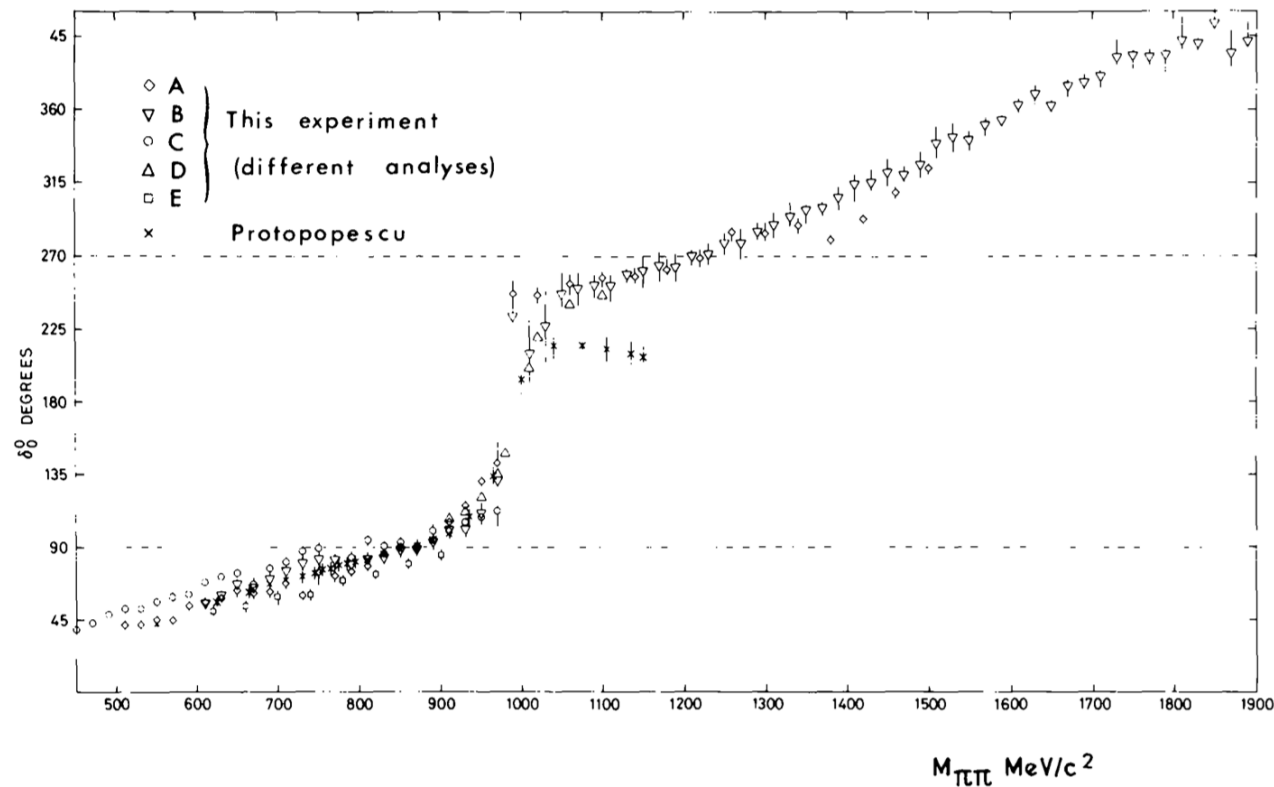
no resonance

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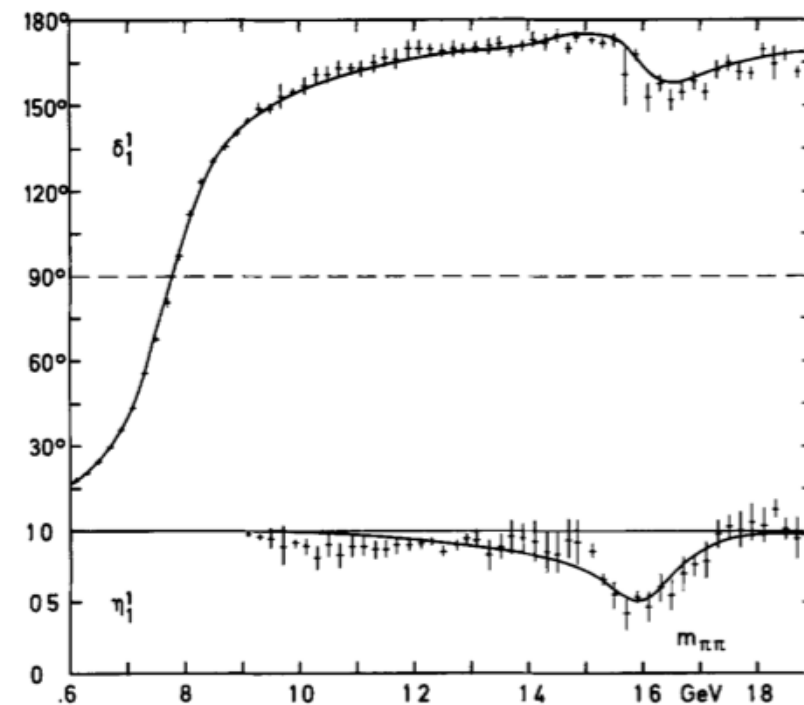
isospin=0



can make isospin=0 from $q\bar{q}$
 $u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}, s\bar{s}$

but can this weird scattering amplitude
 be explained that way ?

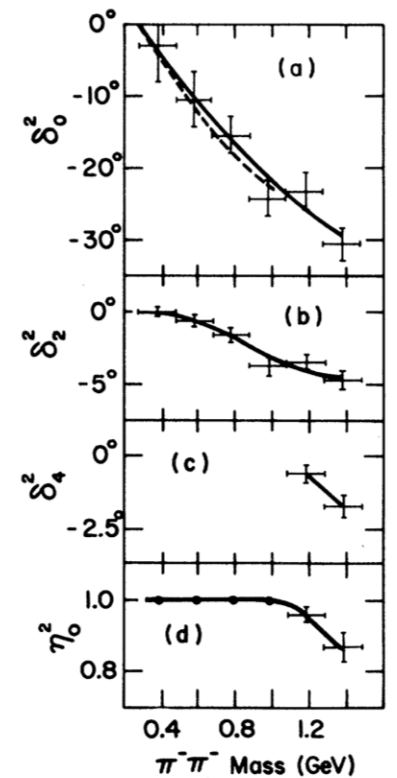
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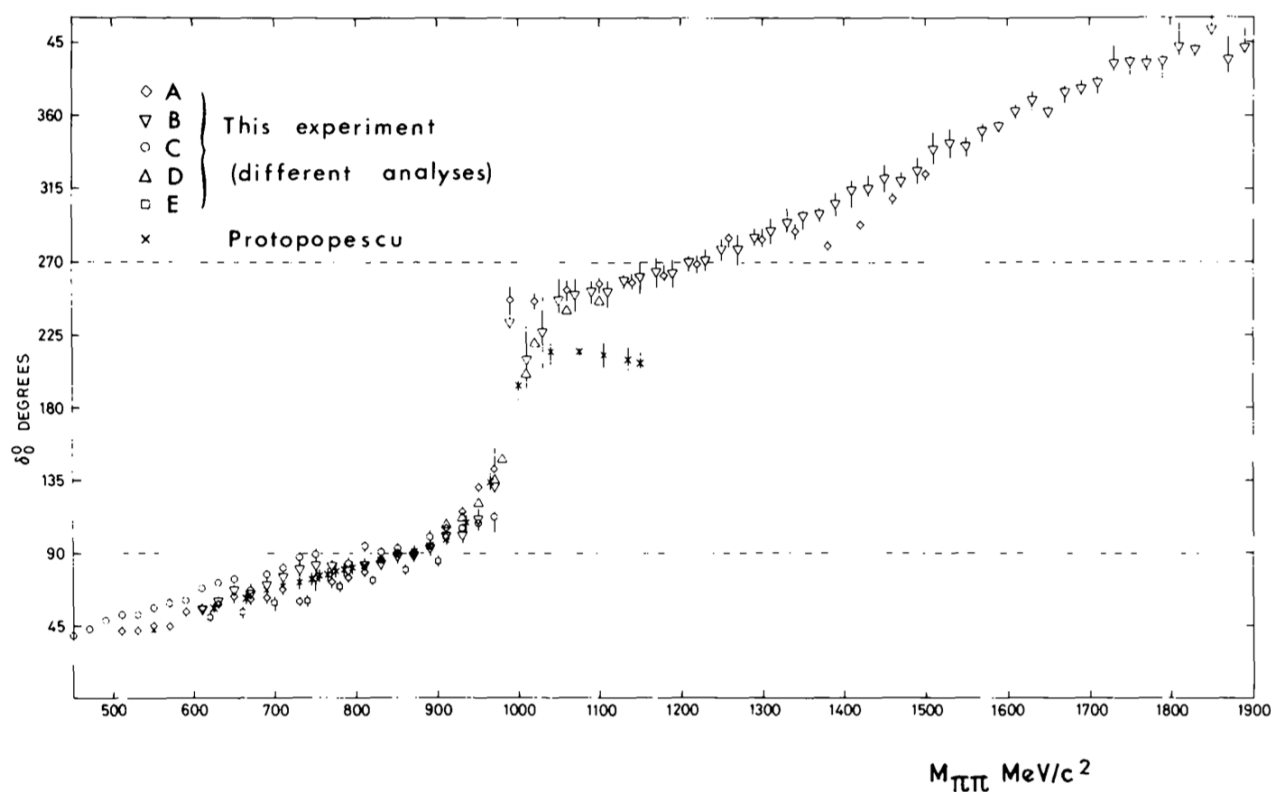
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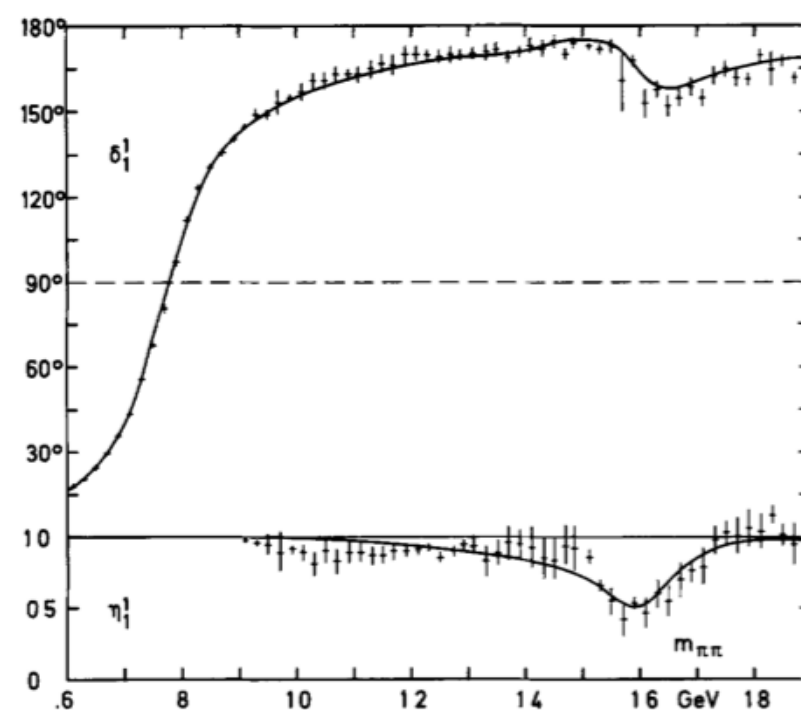
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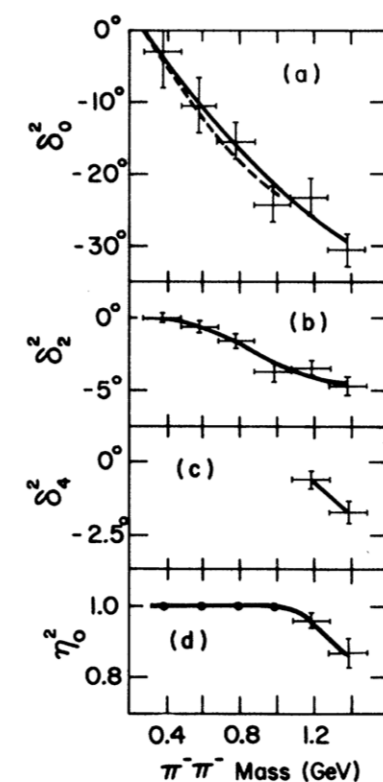
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a first target: can a first-principles QCD calculation lead to these kinds of behaviour ?

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 ?