

# Realizing of Doubly Heavy Tetraquarks from Lattice QCD

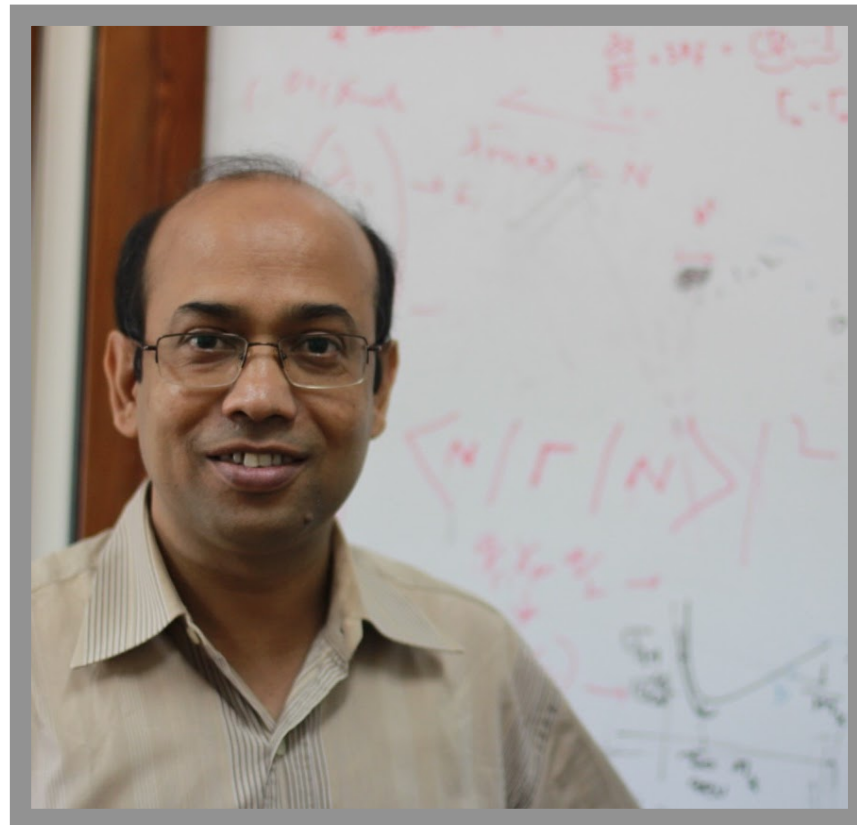
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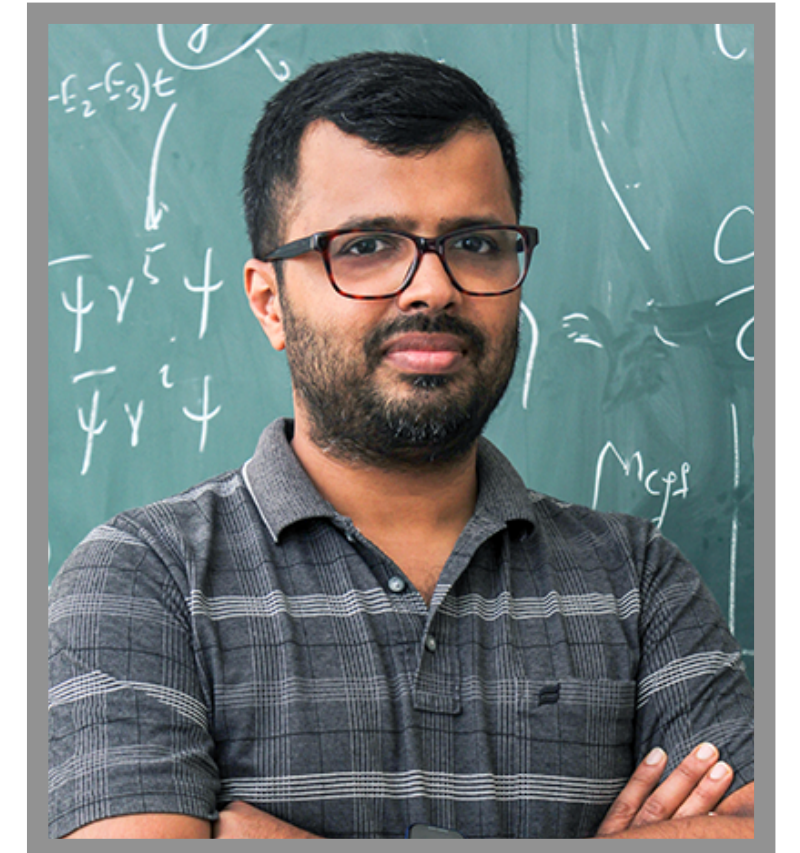
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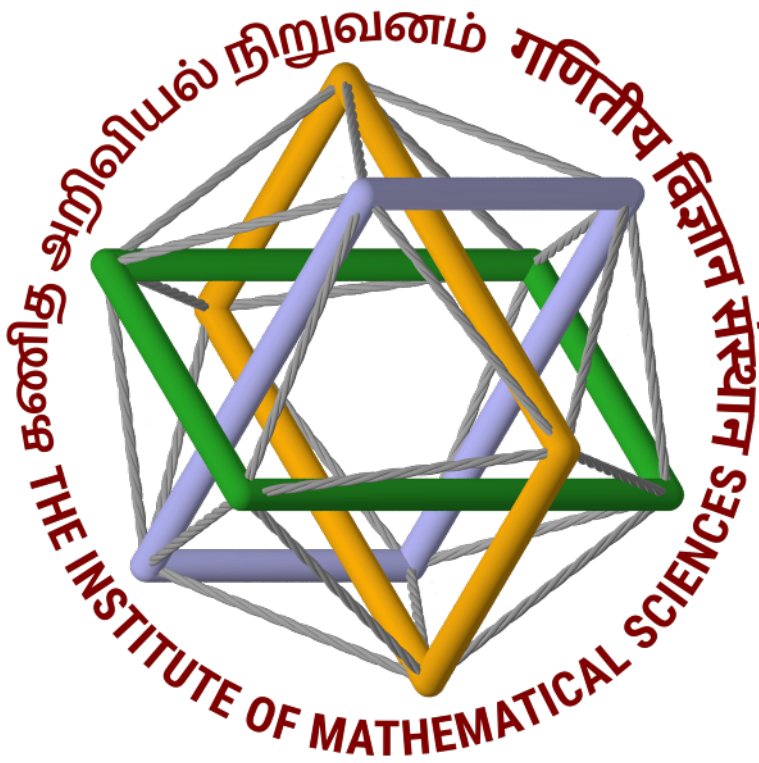
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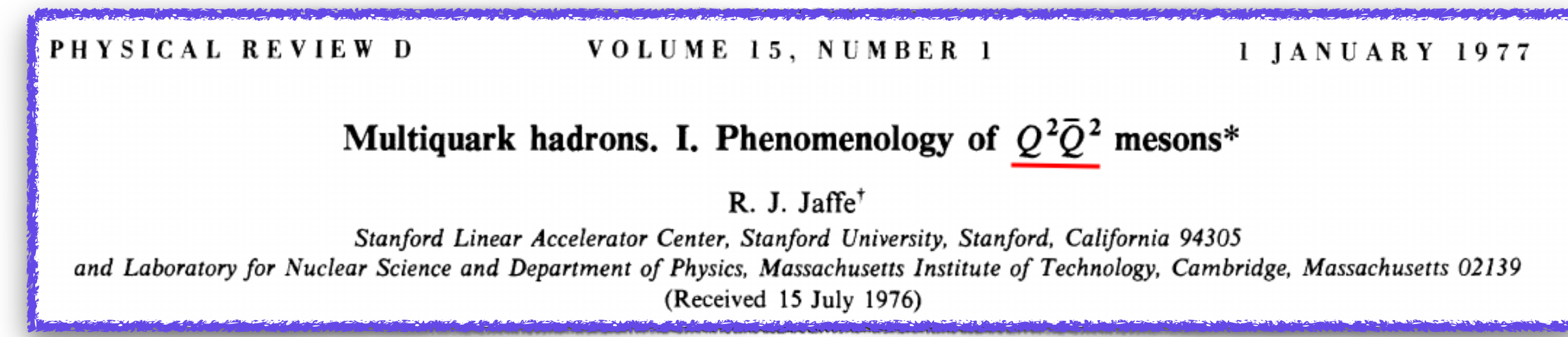
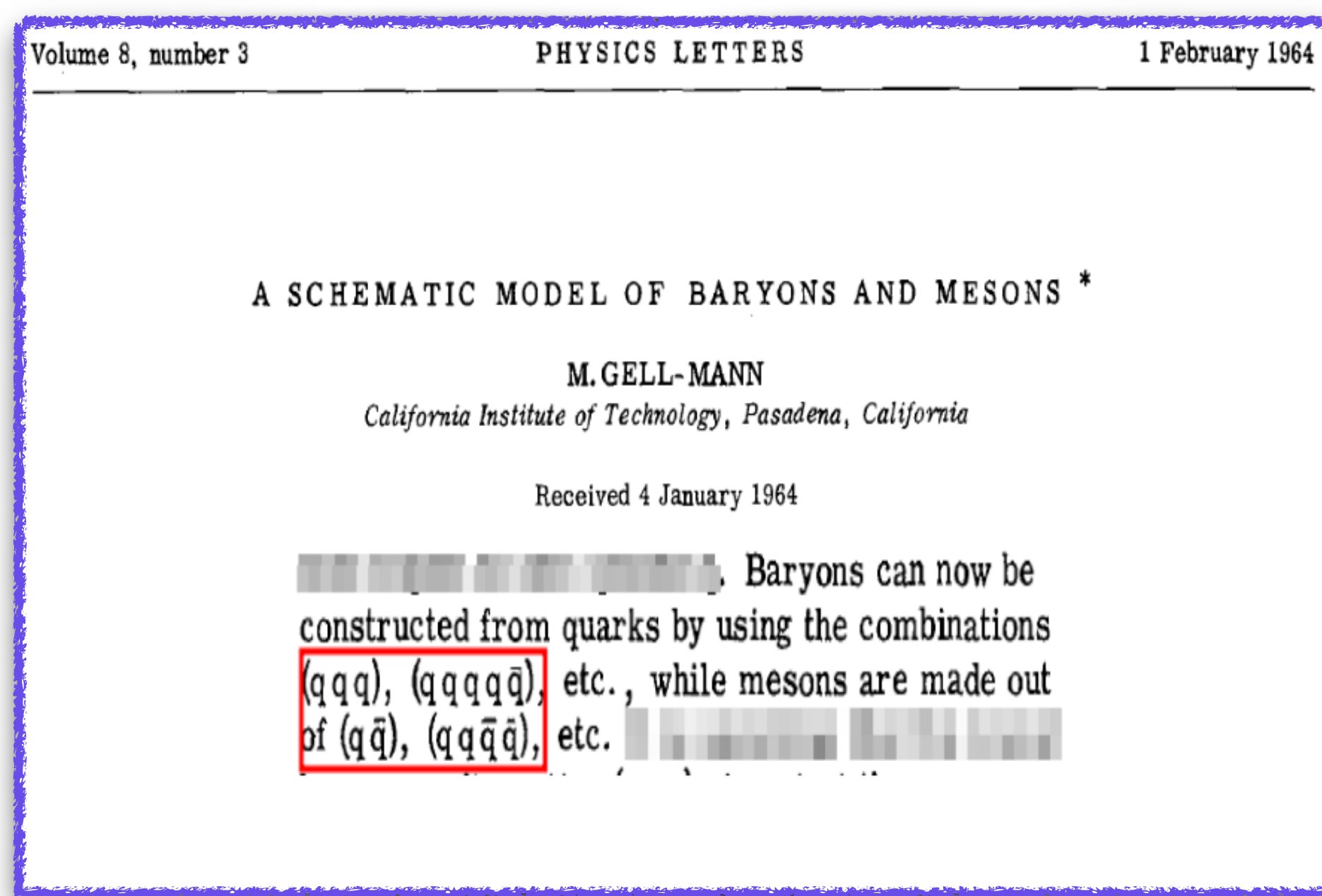


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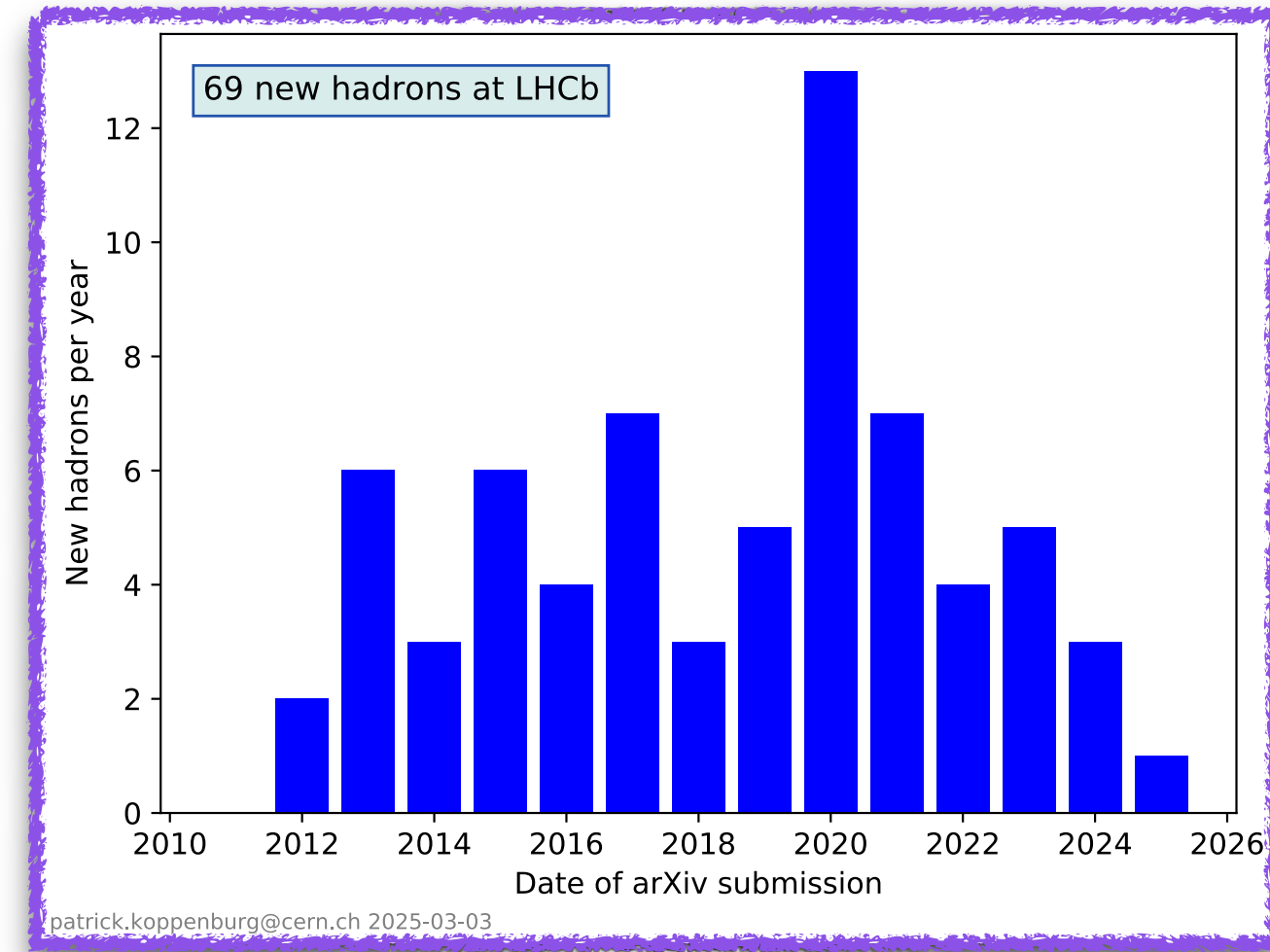
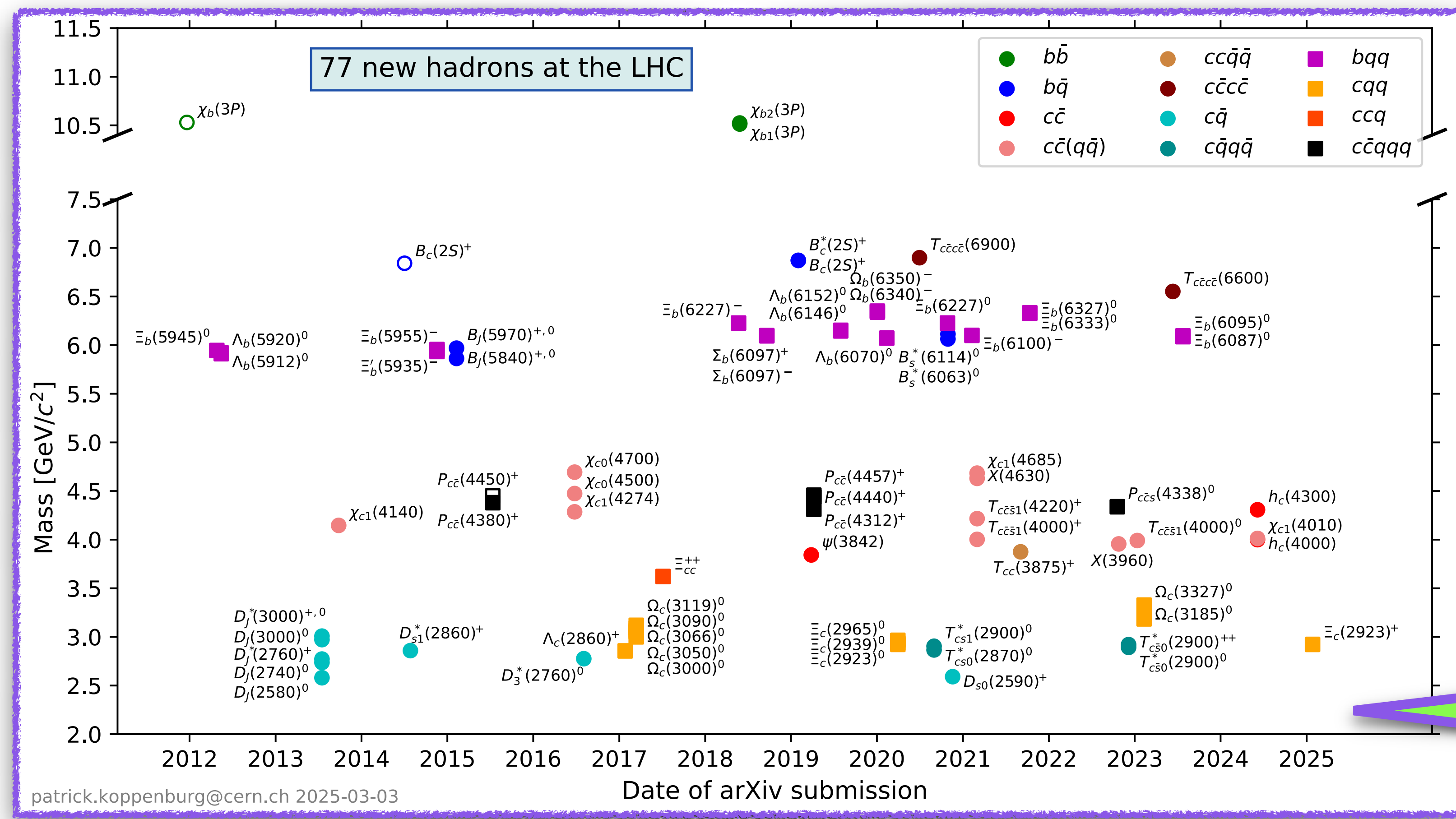


# Introduction and Motivation



- Murray Gellmann indicated the possibility of multiquark systems.
- Jaffe described it as color neutral states of diquark and antidiquark.
- Currently known as Tetraquarks and Pentaquarks.

# Experimental Results in LHC

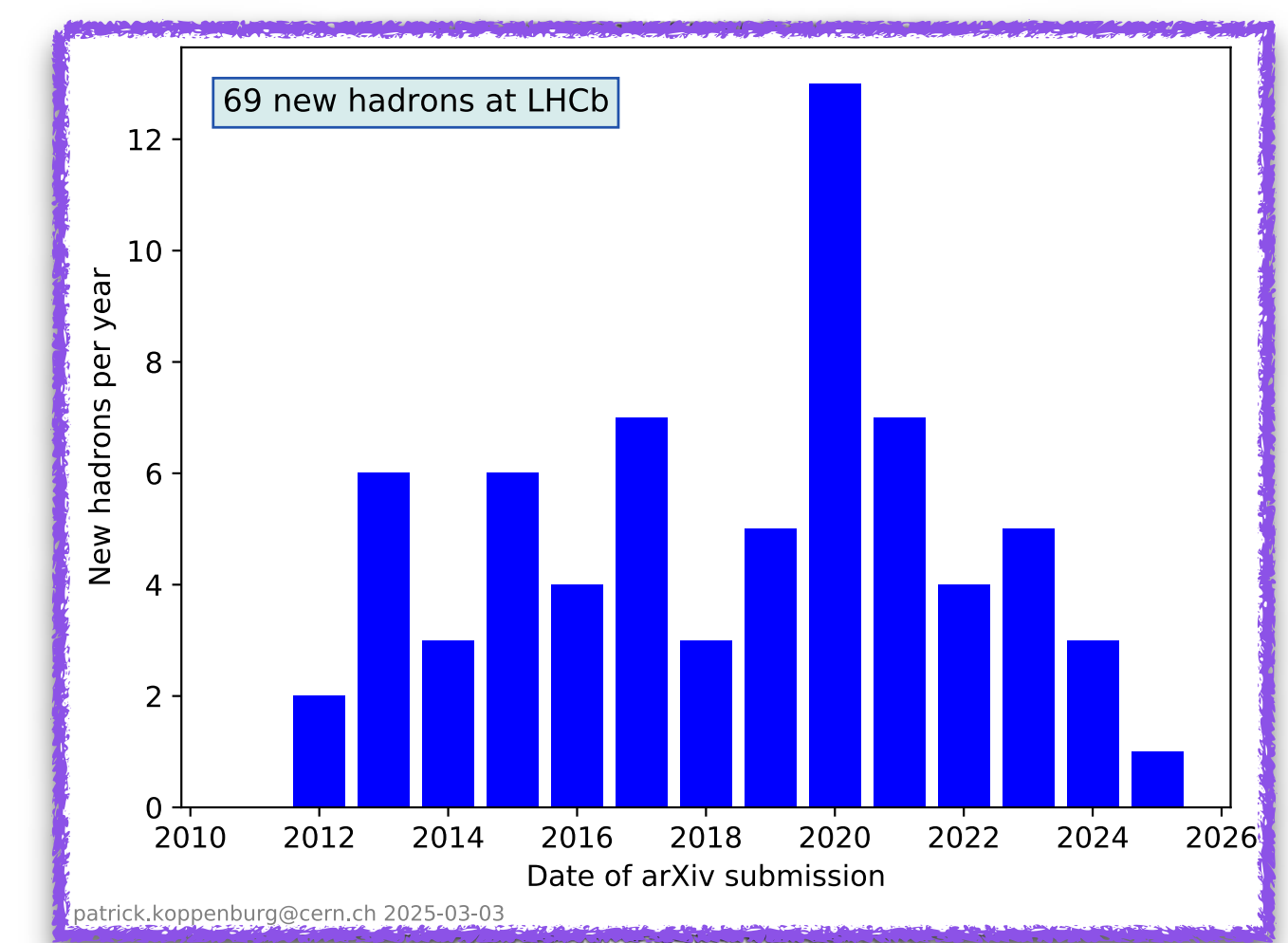
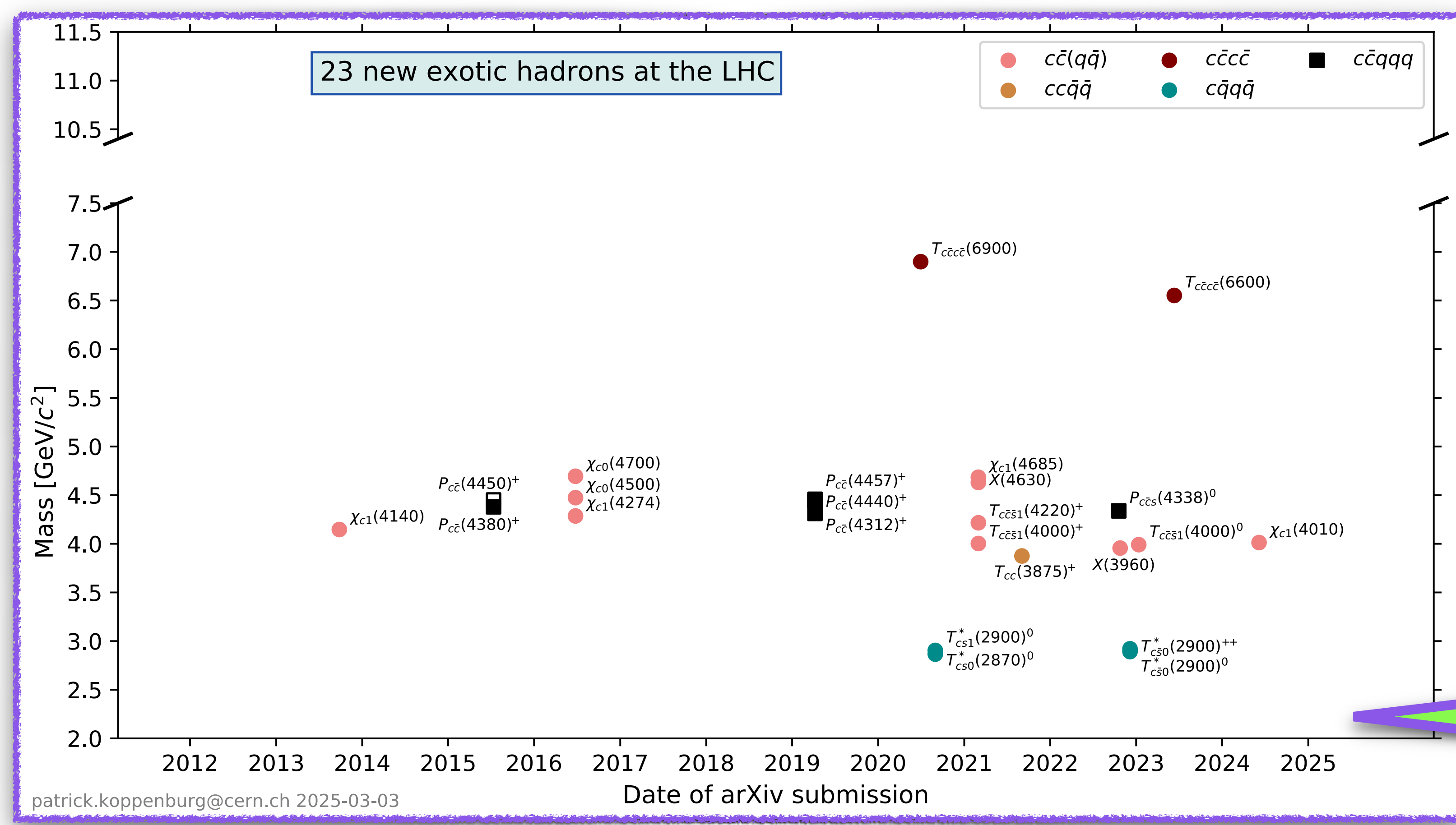


Particles discovered in the last decade including conventional heavy hadrons, open flavor mesons, exotic particles

Other research facilities like Belle, BES-III etc. have active spectroscopy programs.



# Experimental Results in LHC



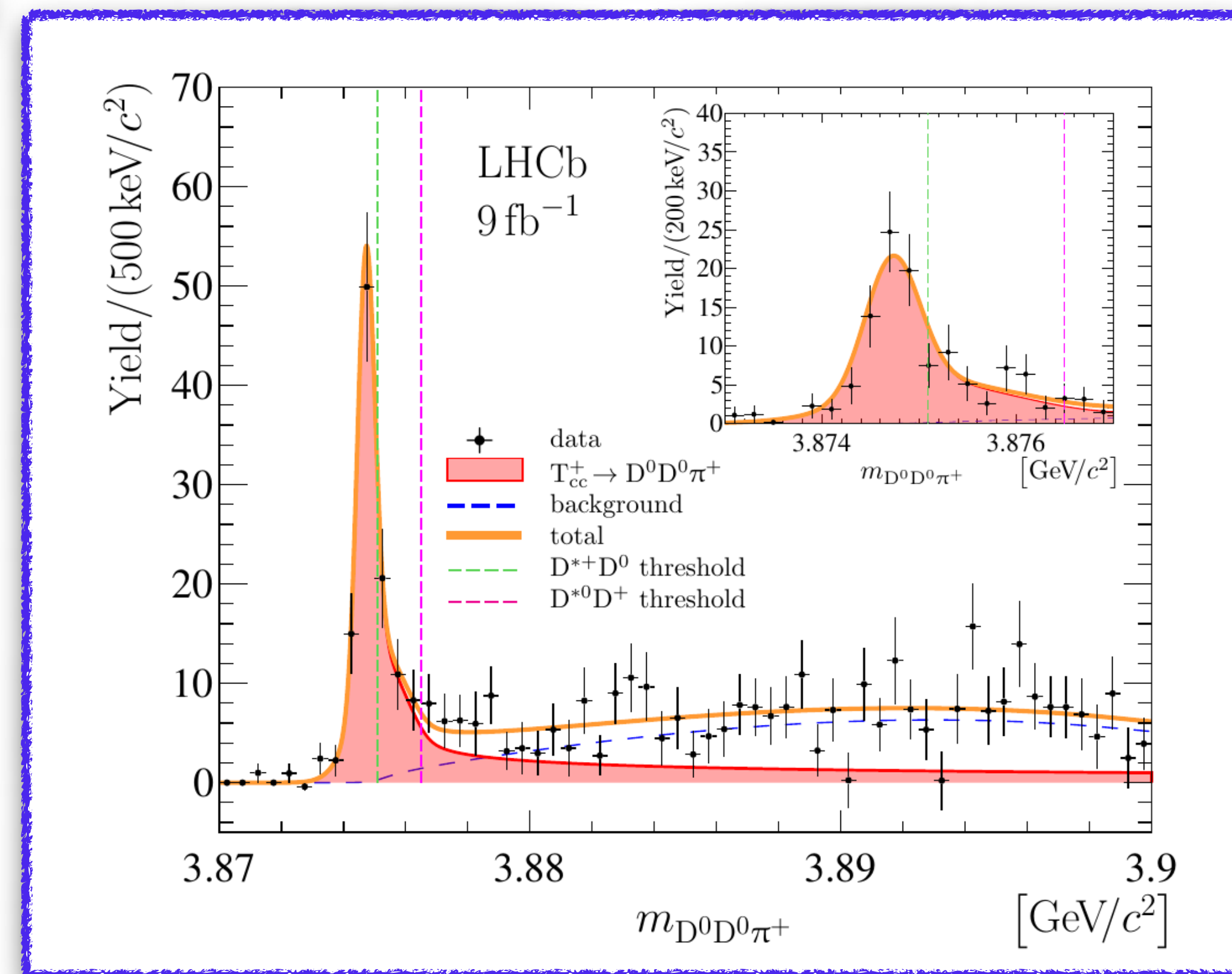
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Collection of exotic particles



# $T_{cc}(cc\bar{u}\bar{d})$ discovery at LHC

- In 2021, LHCb made headlines by discovering the longest-lived exotic state ever observed.
- It was observed in the channel  $I = 0$ ,  $J^P = 1^+$  below  $D^0 D^{*+}$  threshold (in  $D^0 D^0 \pi^+$ ).
- Many more exotic tetraquark discovered recently e.g.  $T_{cs}$ ,  $T_{c\bar{s}}$ ,  $Z_c$  and so on. Scope for  $T_{bc}$ ,  $T_{bs}$  in near future.



$$\delta M = M_{T_{cc}^+} - (M_{D^{*+}} + M_{D^0})$$

$$\delta M_{pole} = -360 \pm 40(^{+4}_{-0}) \text{ keV}/c^2$$

$$\Gamma_{pole} = 48 \pm 2(^{+00}_{-14}) \text{ KeV}$$

Nature phys: <https://rdcu.be/dNMRV>  
Arxiv:2109.01038

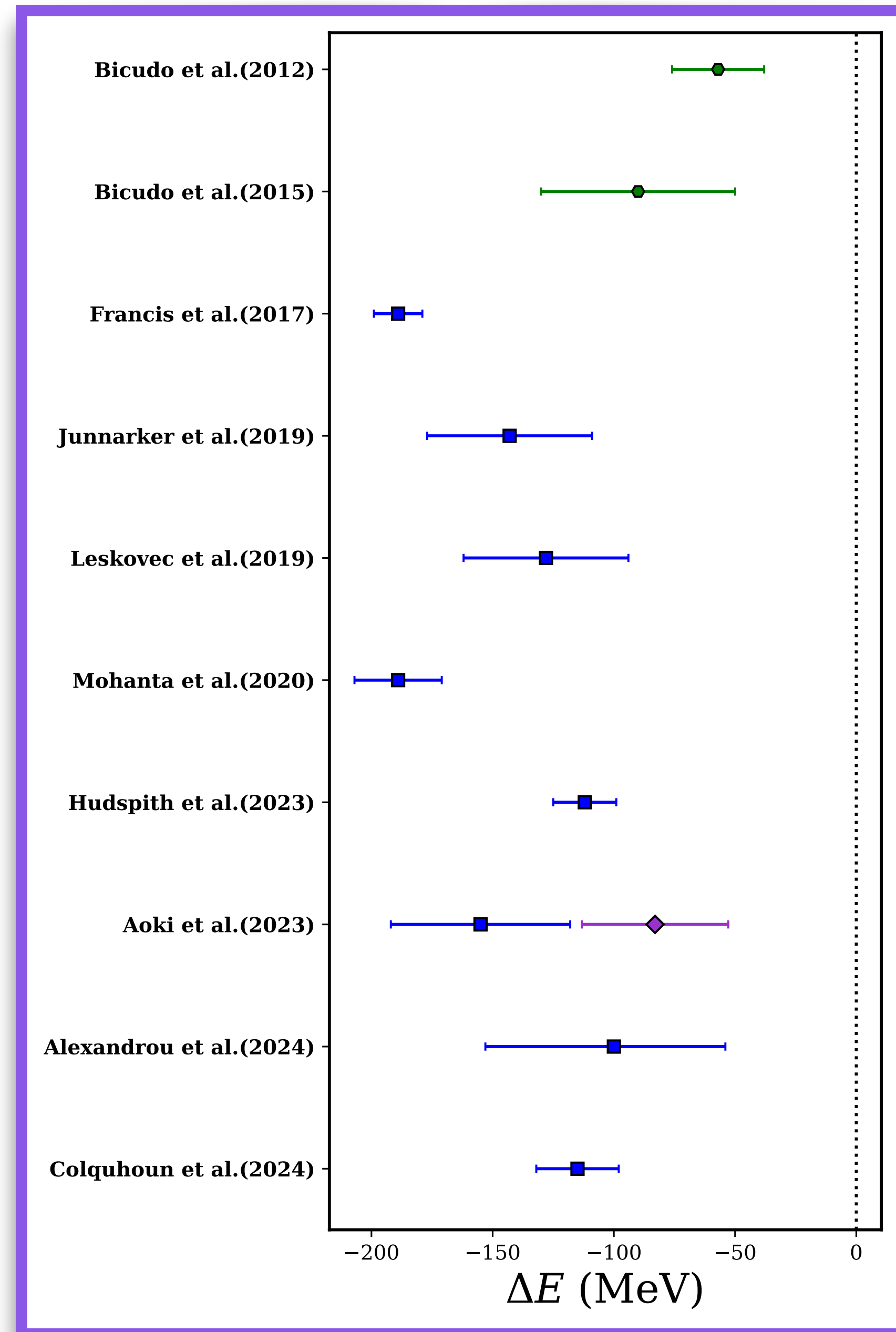


# Long History of $T_{bb}(bb\bar{u}\bar{d})$

- Phenomenological calculation of  $I(J^P) = 0(1^{1+})$   $T_{bb}$  can be date back to the early 80's.
- Prediction of deeply bound state in the heavy quark limit.

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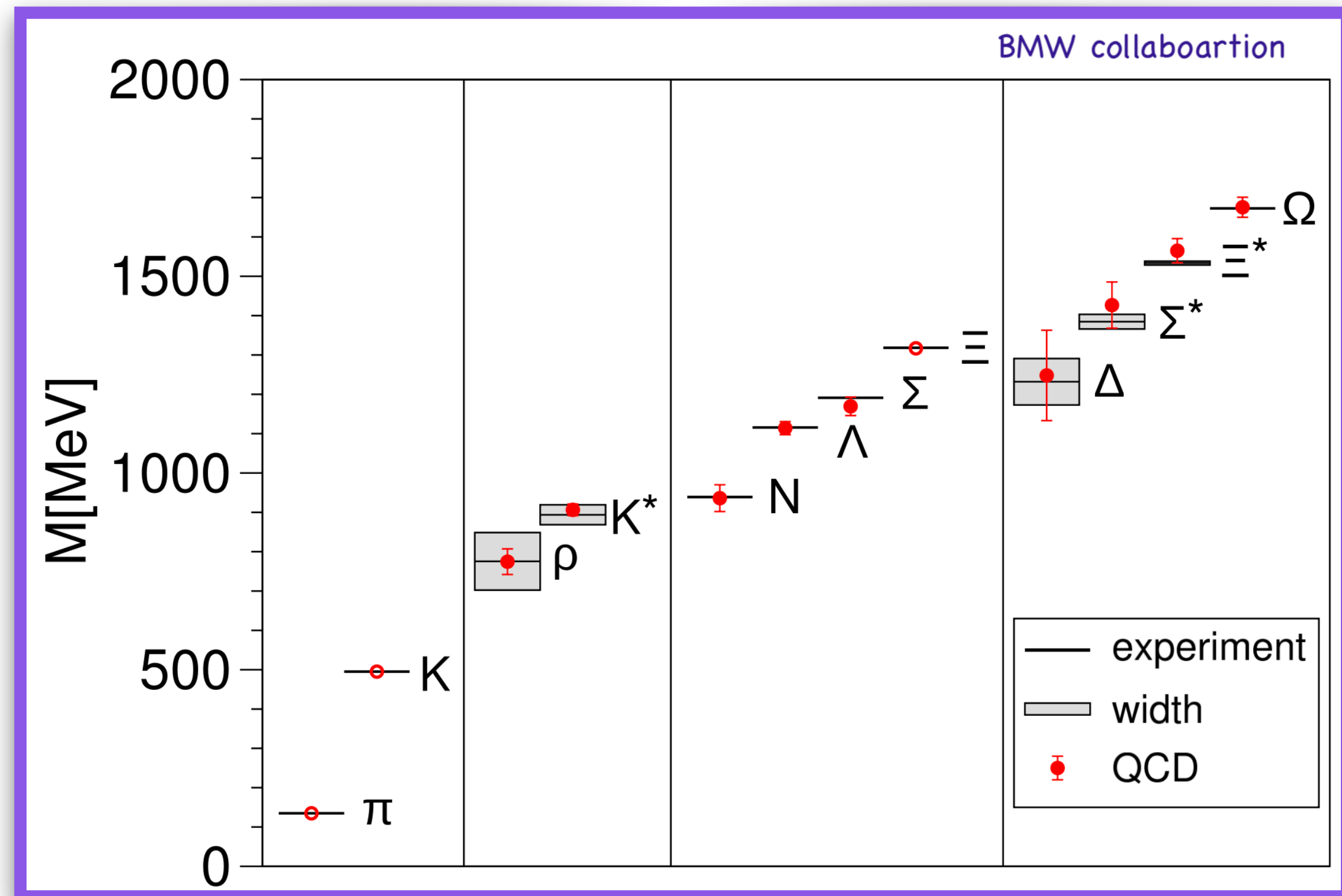
- Results from various phenomenological studies suggest possibility of deeply bound state.
- Previous lattice calculations on  $bb\bar{u}\bar{d}$   $I = 0$  shows deep bound state upto systematics.



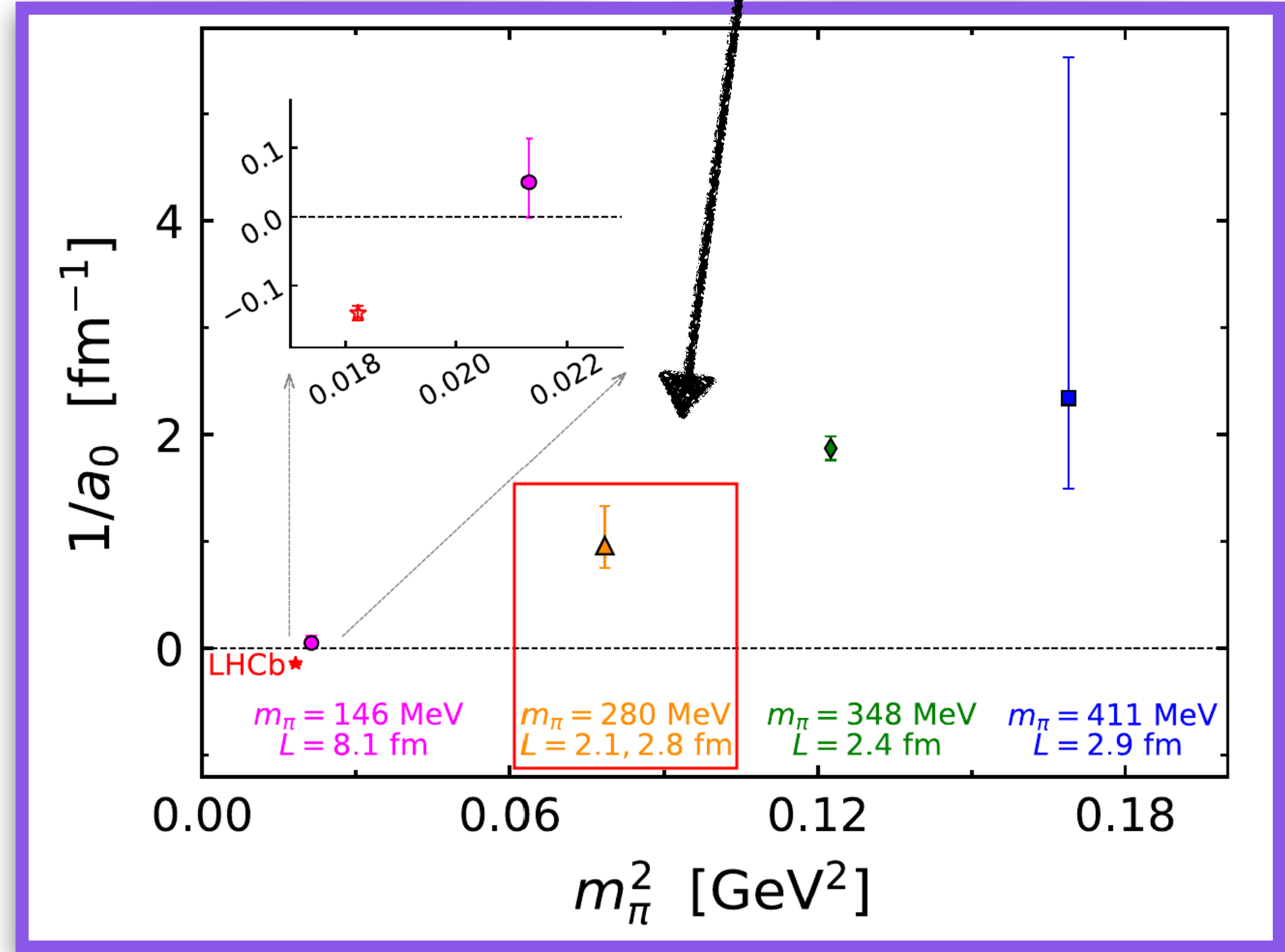


# Lattice Predictions

Phys. Rev. Lett. 129, 032002 Padmanath, Prelovsek



Science 322 (2008) 1224-1227



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- Early Lattice calculations accurately predicts masses of known hadrons.
- $T_{cc}$  lattice results matches with that of the experimental results as pion mass decreases.



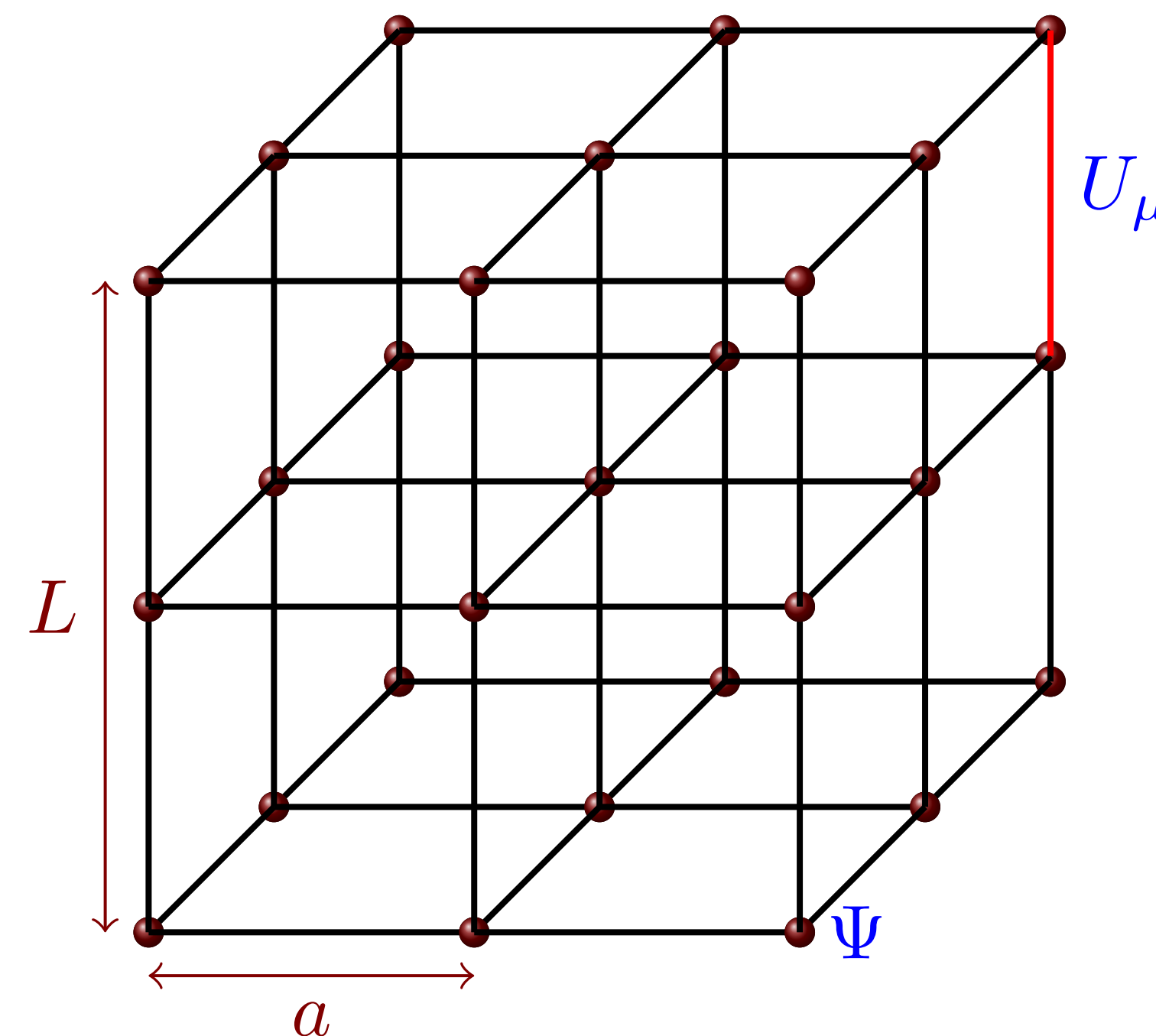
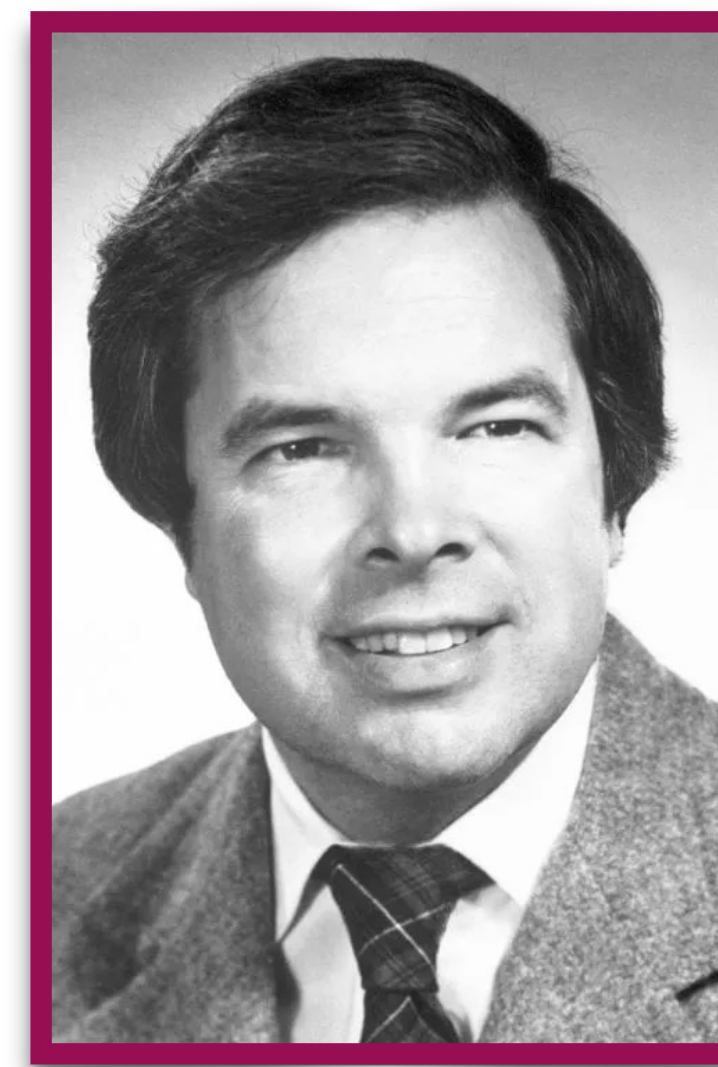
# How Lattice QCD Works

- To understand low energy physics from first principles.
- Fermions ( $\Psi$ ) in lattice point, gluon field ( $A_\mu$ ) in links.

$$U_\mu = e^{igA_\mu}$$

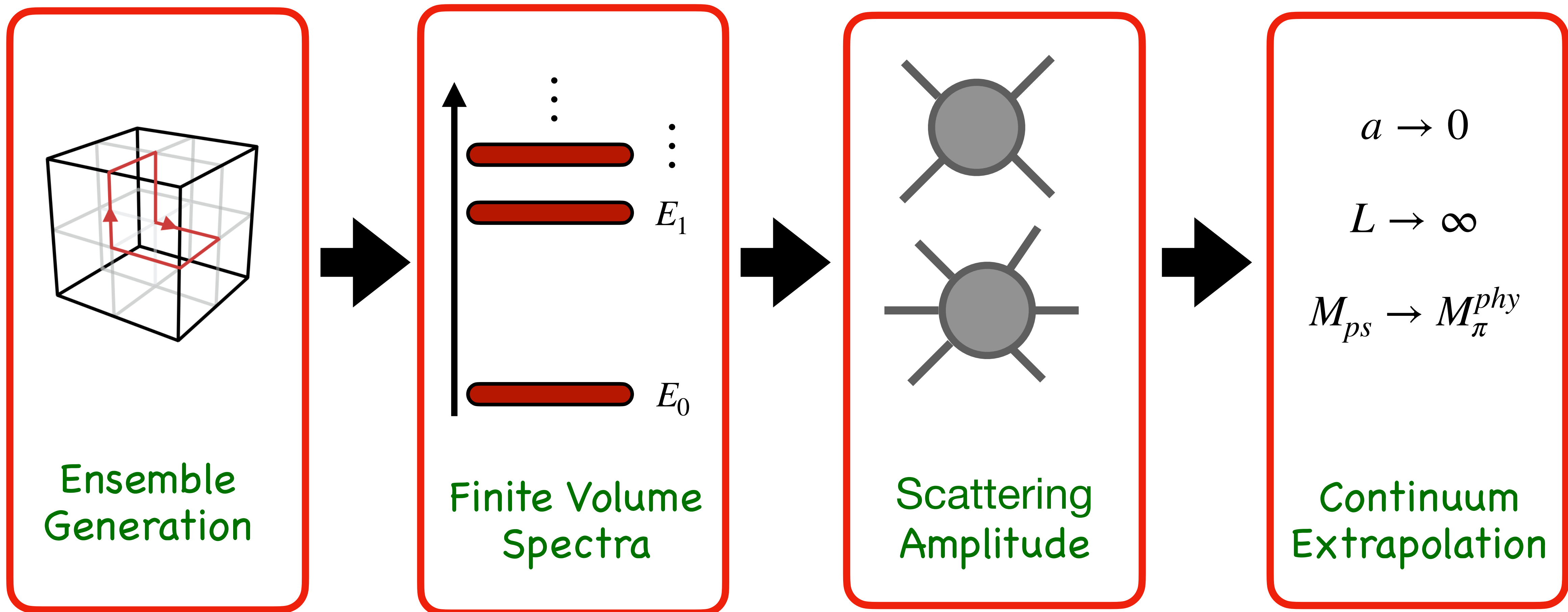
- UV regularized with lattice spacing  $a$ , IR regularised with Lattice extent  $L$ .
- Define Action of the theory.
- Sample phase space using Markov chain Monte Carlo Method.

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \int D\phi \mathcal{O}[\phi] e^{-S[\phi]}$$





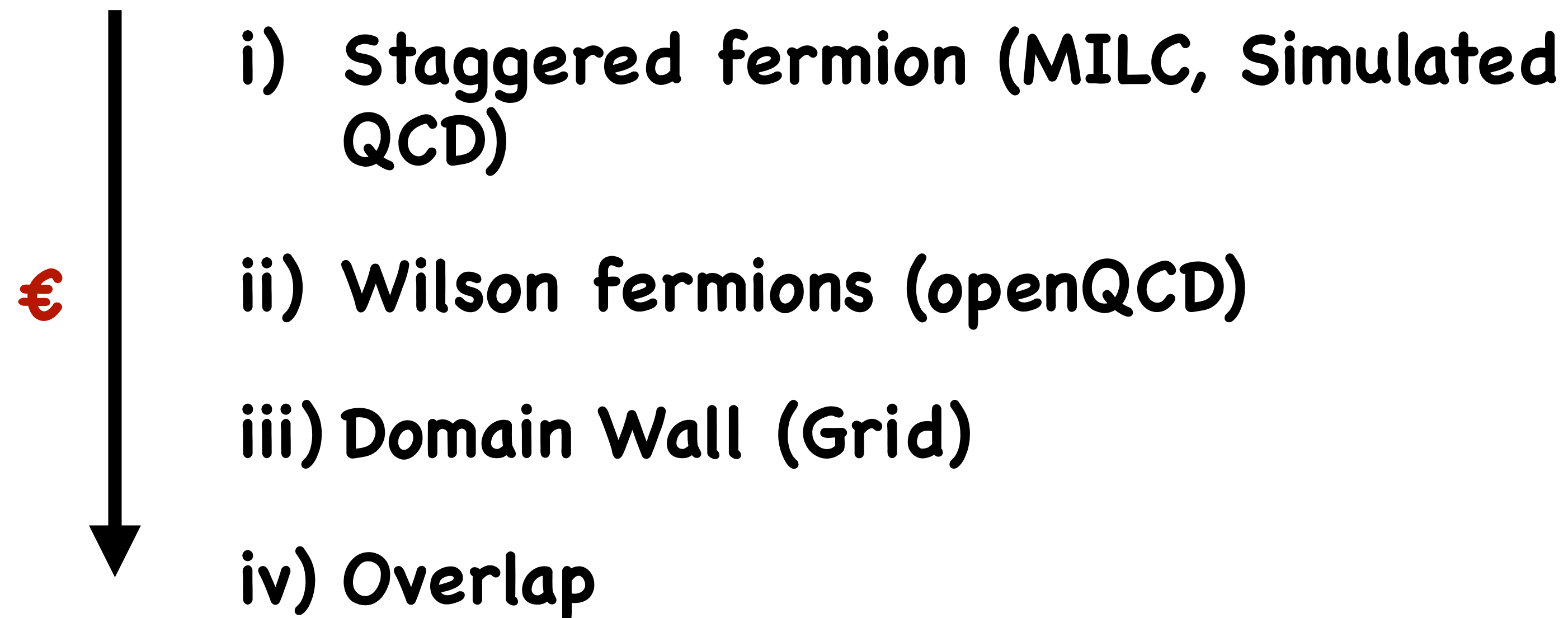
# Hadron Spectroscopy in a Nutshell





# Configuration Generation

- Need huge computational resources.
- Cost(€) increases multifold by adding fermions.
- Naive discretisation creates doublers.
- Lattice Fermions:–



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€€€ ↑ as  $a \downarrow L \uparrow M_\pi \downarrow$



# Configuration Generation

- For fermions,

$$Z = \int dU \prod_f d\Psi^f d\bar{\Psi}^f e^{-S_g - \Psi^f M \bar{\Psi}^f}$$

$$Z = \int dU \prod_f \det(M_f) e^{-S_g}$$

- For e.g.  $N_f = 2 + 1$ ,

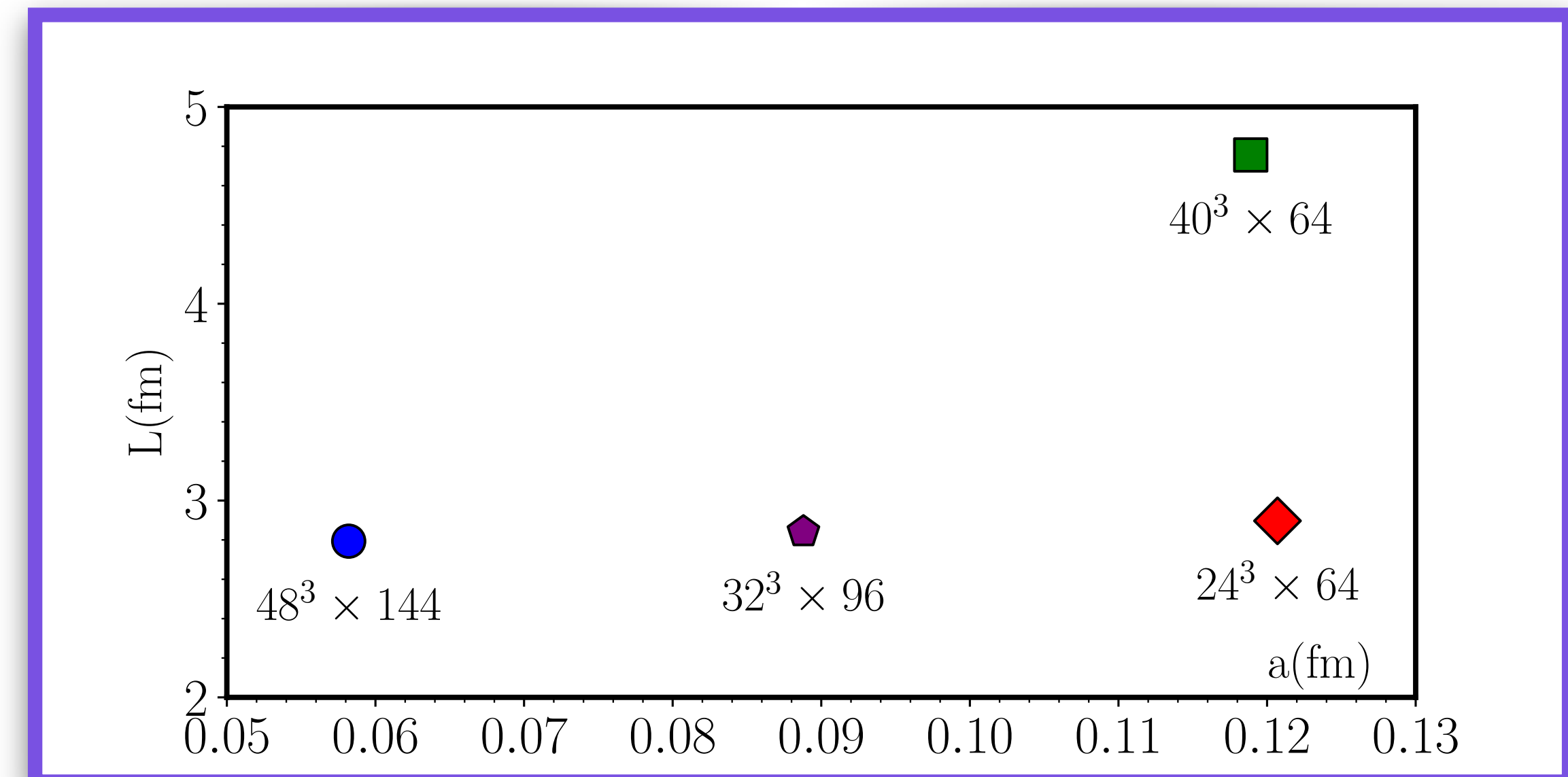
$$Z = \int dU \det(M_u) \det(M_d) \det(M_s) e^{-S_g}$$

Highly Non-local Object €



# Lattice Setup

- We are interested in doubly bottom tetra quarks  $bb\bar{u}\bar{d}$  with  $I(J^P) = 0(1^+)$ .
- Worked with 4 MILC ensembles with  $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  using HISQ action.
- Ensembles were generated at unphysical light quarks and physical charm and strange quarks.
- Light quark propagators were constructed using Overlap action. For heavy(bottom) quark, we used NRQCD action.
- Wall-source smearing setup.
- Used multiple volumes, box-sink correlators to reduce systematic effects.





# NRQCD formalism

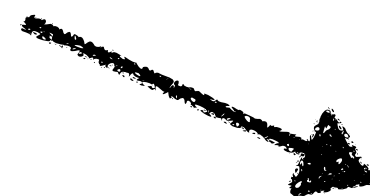
- Relativistic propagator not possible as  $am_b \gg 1$  in our setup. Require bigger lattice size.
- NRQCD becomes most suitable candidate.
- Energy scales here,

$$m_b \gg m_b v \gg m_b v^2$$

- We exclude rest mass term to make momentum as highest energy scale allow for calculation in larger lattice spacing.
- Offset correction accounted at the time of Analysis.

# Building Hadrons

- Goal is to construct interpolating fields coupled with ground state of desired quantum number.
- Properties:-
  1. **Flavor Structure**:- Correct combination of quark fields.
  2. **Spin and Parity**:- Appropriate Dirac bilinear  $\Gamma$  and quadrilinear(Tqs) to match desired spin and parity.
- Lattice breaks  $O(3)$  symmetry, operators must transform according to irreps of the cubic group.
- e.g. Pion:-  $\Phi_\pi = \bar{d}_c^\alpha (\gamma_5)_{\alpha\beta} u_c^\beta$  , c  $\rightarrow$  color index



Pseudo scalar



# Extracting Finite Volume Spectrum

- To extract spectrum we need good interpolating operators.
- Here we are using two types of operators.

Meson-Meson :

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{M}_{BB^*}}(x) = [\bar{u}(x)\gamma_i b(x)][\bar{d}(x)\gamma_5 b(x)] - [\bar{u}(x)\gamma_5 b(x)][\bar{d}(x)\gamma_i b(x)]$$

Diquark-antidiquark:

$$\Phi_{\mathcal{D}}(x) = [(\bar{u}(x)^T C \gamma_5 \bar{d}(x)) - (\bar{d}(x)^T C \gamma_5 \bar{u}(x)) \times (b^T(x) C \gamma_i b(x))]$$

- Finite volume spectrum can be calculated using Euclidean  $\mathcal{C}_{ij}(t)$ , between  $\Phi$ 's

$$\mathcal{C}_{ij}(t) = \sum_X \left\langle \Phi_i(\mathbf{x}, t) \tilde{\Phi}_j^\dagger(0) \right\rangle \sim e^{-E_n t}$$

# Wall Sources

- Instead of using a single point source, a source is placed at every spatial point on the source time slice.

$$Q(\bar{x}, t; t') = \sum_{\bar{x}'} Q(\bar{x}, t; \bar{x}', t')$$

- **ADVANTAGES:-** Better signals in the ground state.

- **DISADVANTAGE:-**

1. Assymetric Correlation Function, Non-Hermitian GEVP Needed.

2. False Plateau encounter, careful with fitting time window.

- Why not Wall source wall sink correlator? -> Very Noisy signal.

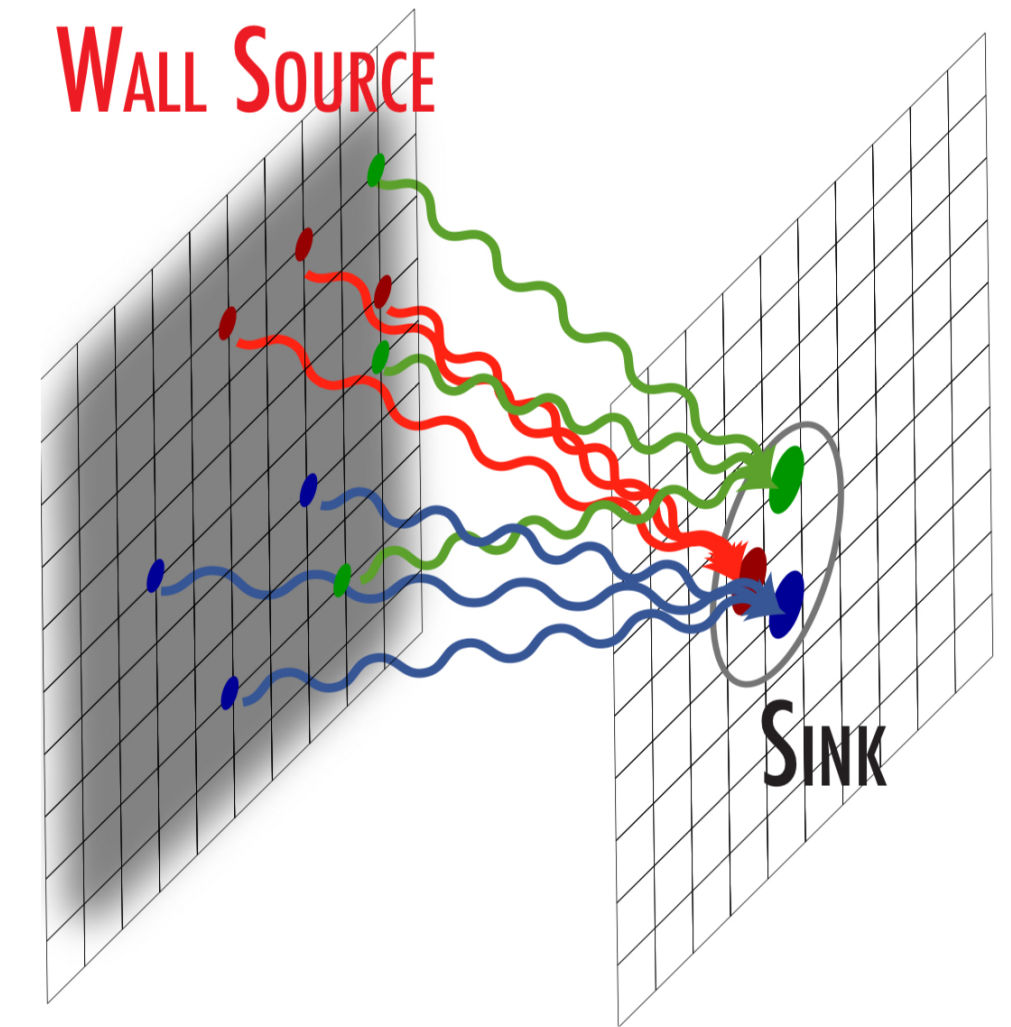


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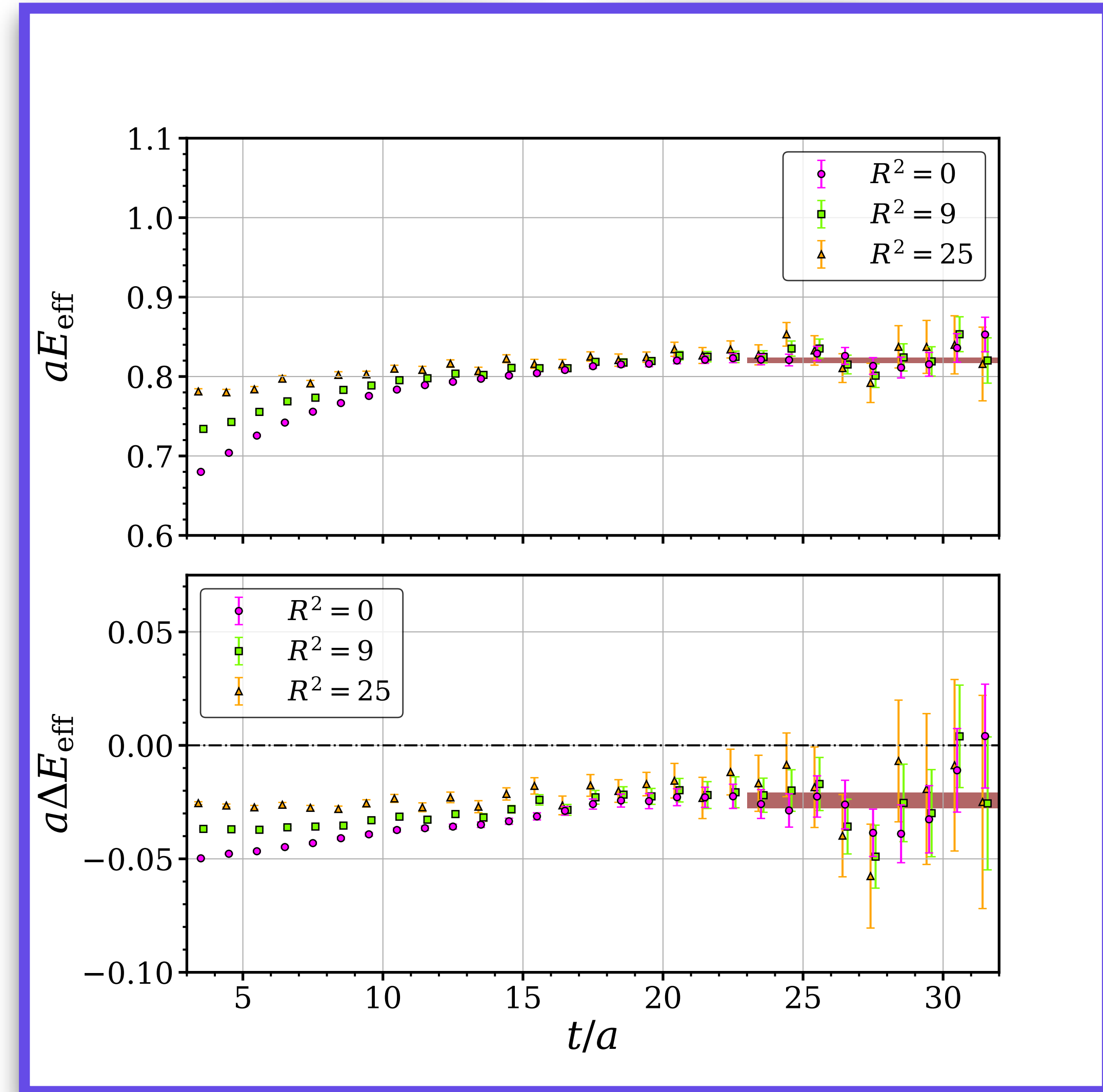
# Wall source- Box Sink Correlator

- Instead of wall-sink, we build box-sink correlator.

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$$Q(\bar{x}, t; t') = \sum_{|\bar{y}-\bar{x}| < R} Q(\bar{y}, t; , t')$$

- As we increase box radius  $R$ , it approaches to symmetric correlator.
- Used to make comparative study of the asymptotic signals.
- Increases robustness of the calculations.



# Finite Volume Spectrum cont.

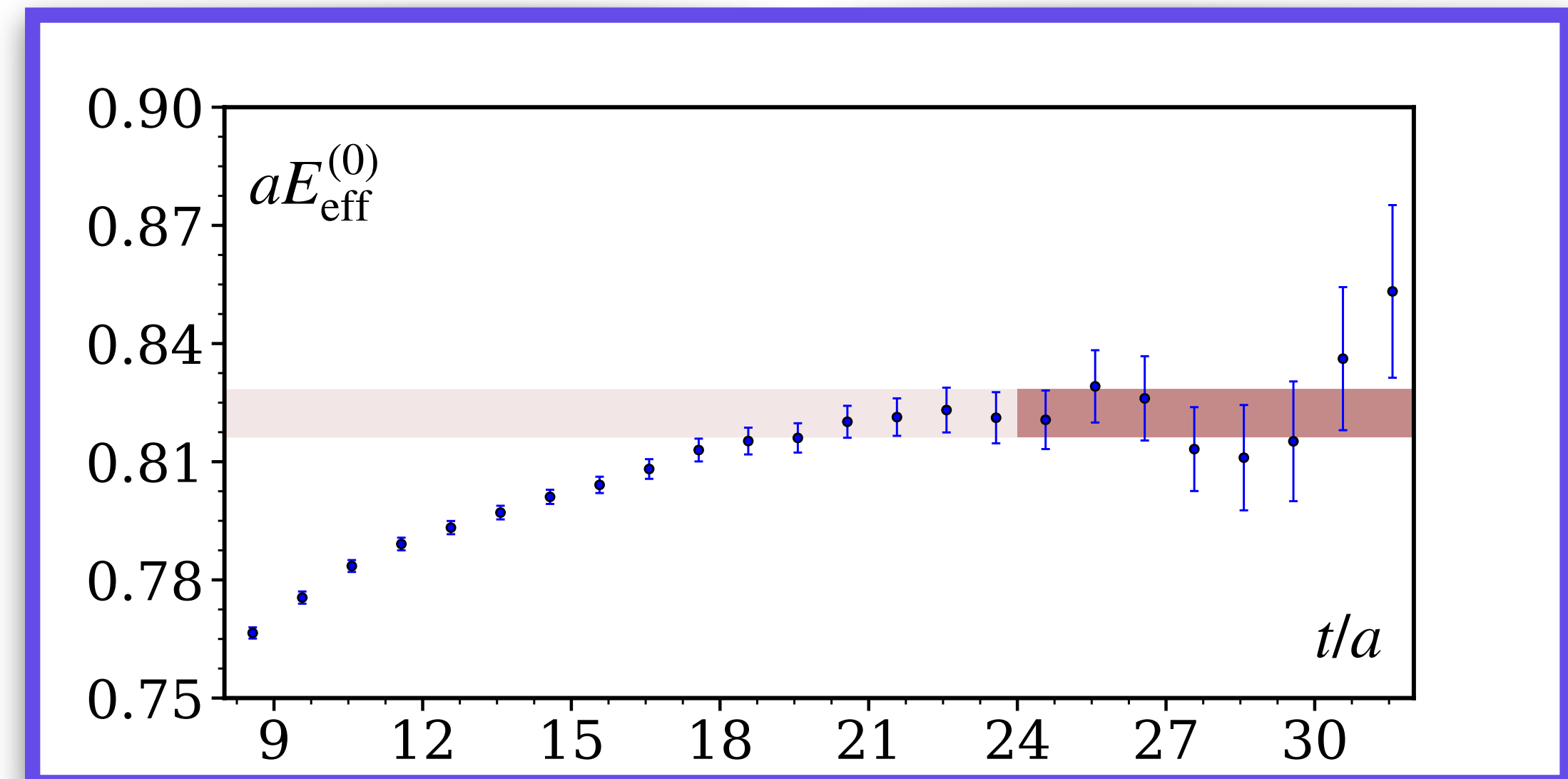
- We use GEVP to extract finite volume spectrum from correlation-matrix variationally.

$$\mathcal{C}(t)v^{(n)}(t) = \lambda^{(n)}(t, t_0)\mathcal{C}(t_0)v^{(n)}(t)$$

- Fitting the leading exponential of  $\lambda^n(t)$ , yields the energy Eigen states  $E_n$ .

$$\lambda^n(t, t_0) = |A_n|^2 e^{-E_n(t-t_0)}[1 + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\Delta_n(t-t_0)})]$$

- Excited states can be determined with this method.
- Repeated for  $B$  and  $B^*$  mesons.





# Non-Hermitian GEVP

- Modification of GEVP to account non-hermiticity.
- Solving asymmetric correlation matrix with left and right Eigenvector with same Eigenvalue.

$$\mathcal{C}(t_d)v_r^{(n)}(t_d) = \tilde{\lambda}^{(n)}(t_d)\mathcal{C}(t_0)v_r^{(n)}(t_d)$$

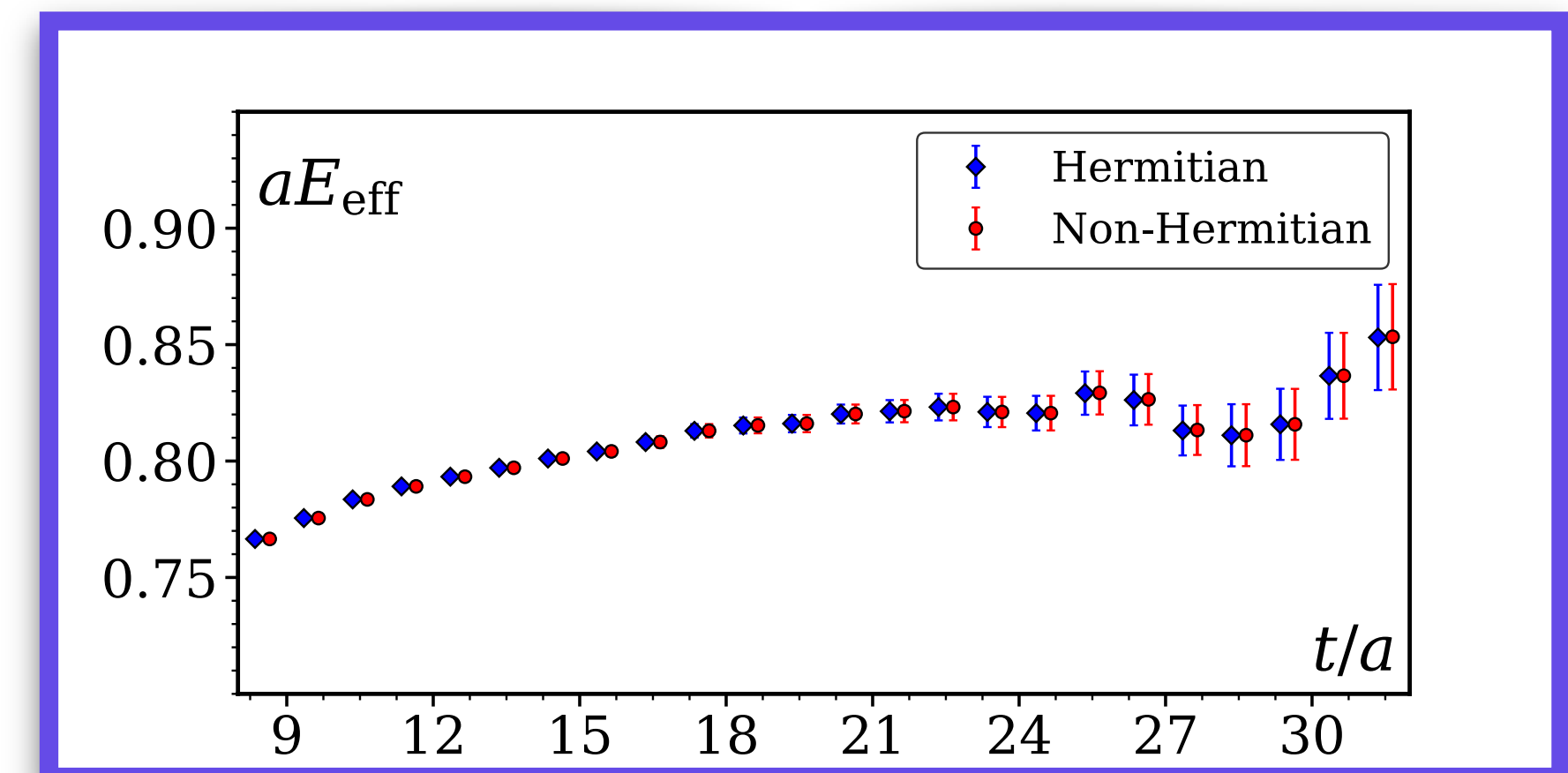
$$v_l^{(n)\dagger}(t_d)\mathcal{C}(t_d) = \tilde{\lambda}^{(n)}(t_d)v_l^{(n)\dagger}(t_d)\mathcal{C}(t_0)$$

$t_d \rightarrow$  diagonalization  
time slice

- Solve it for other time slices with  $v_l(t_d)$  and  $v_r(t_d)$  using

$$\tilde{\lambda}^{(n)}(t) = v_l^{(n)\dagger}(t_d)\mathcal{C}(t)v_r^{(n)}(t_d)$$

- Found  $\frac{\text{Im}(\tilde{\lambda}^{(n)}(t))}{\text{Re}(\tilde{\lambda}^{(n)}(t))} < 0.01$  for all correlators used.



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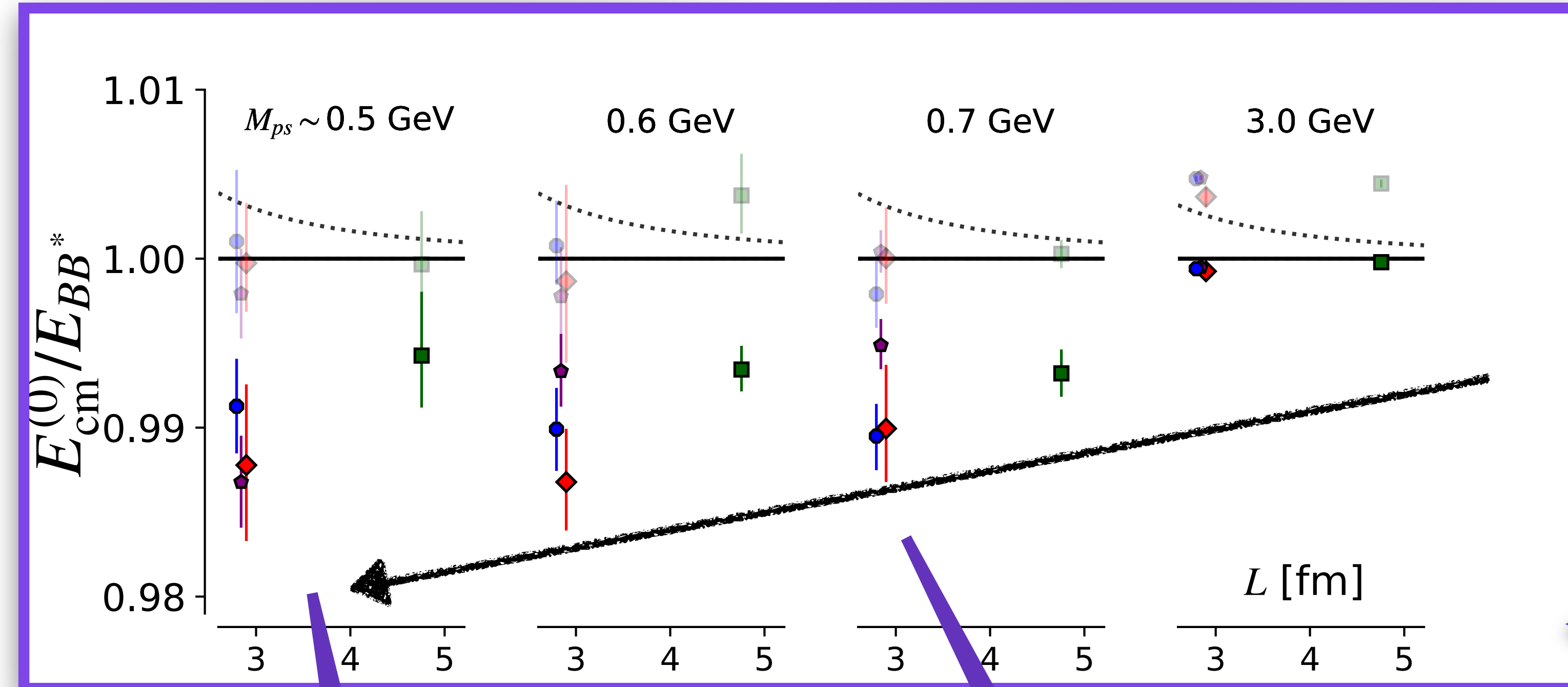
- Spectrum extraction repeated for every  $M_{ps}$  and every ensemble.

Spectrum were calculated In units of nearest Two body decay threshold  $BB^*$ .

We need continuum extrapolation to have results in physical limit

NRQCD Offset corrected

A decreasing trend can be observed

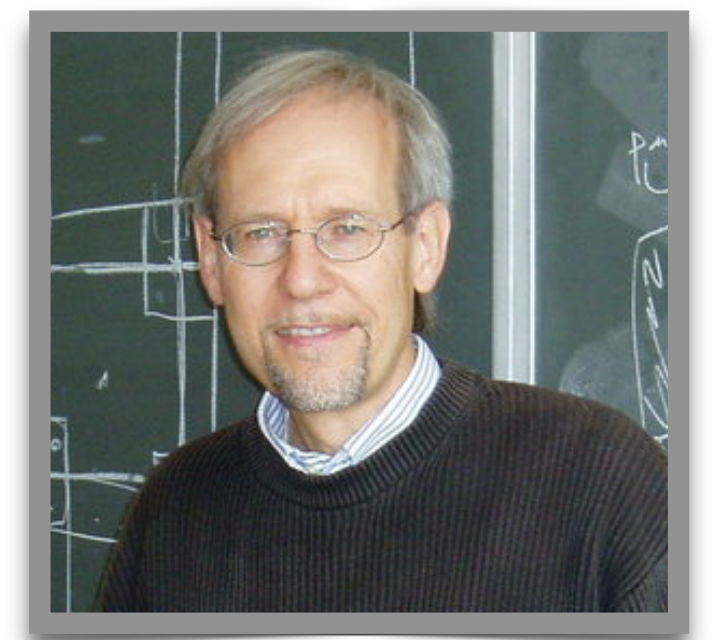
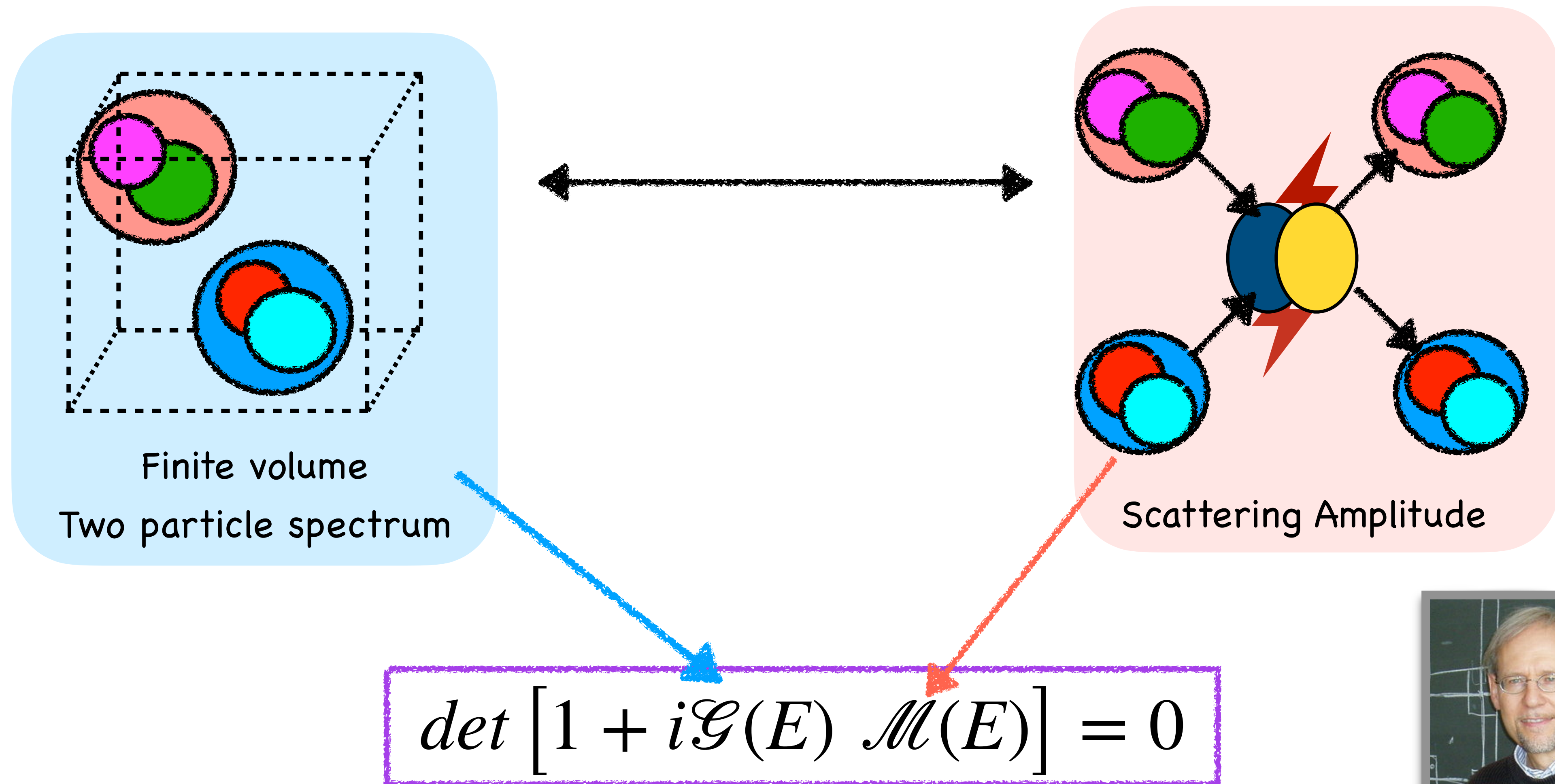




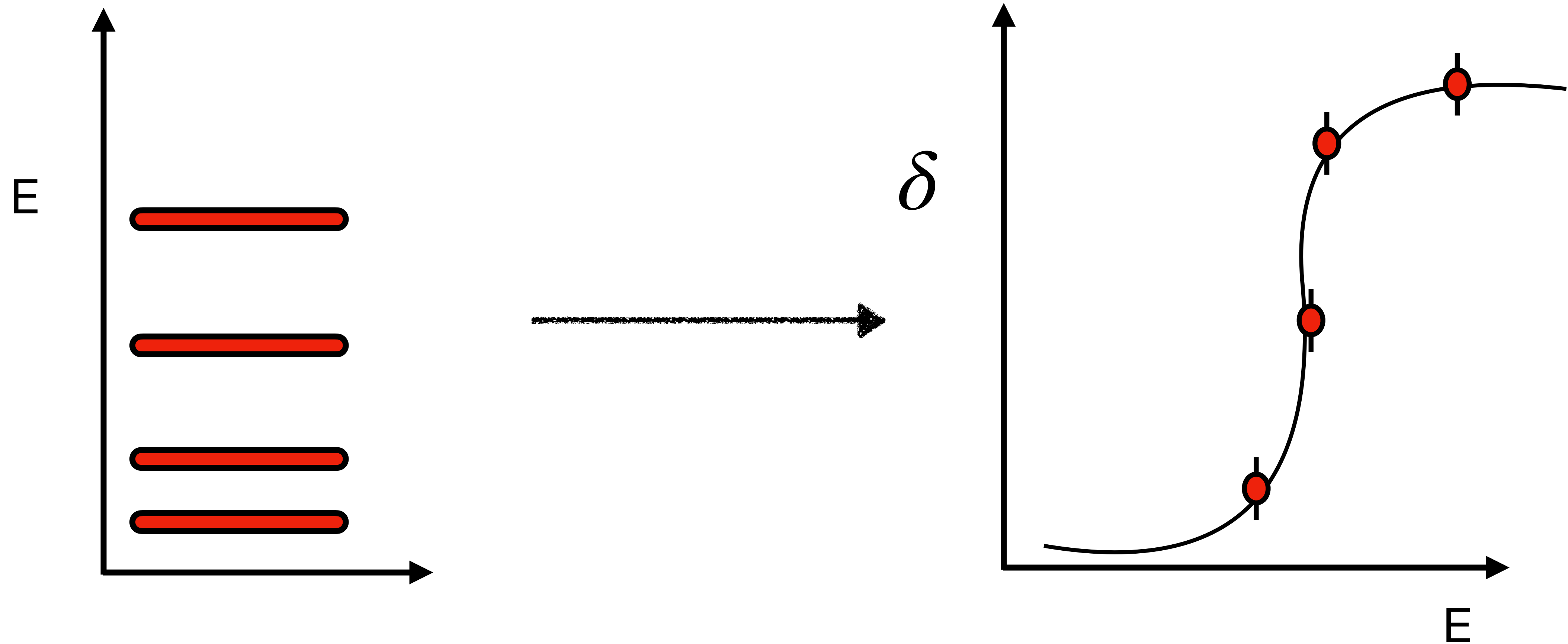
# Amplitude Analysis

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Lüscher based quantization condition(1991)



# Amplitude Analysis



- Energy is discrete.
- Energy dependence is required.



# Continuum Extrapolation

$$M_{ps} = 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

- Scattering Amplitude is given as

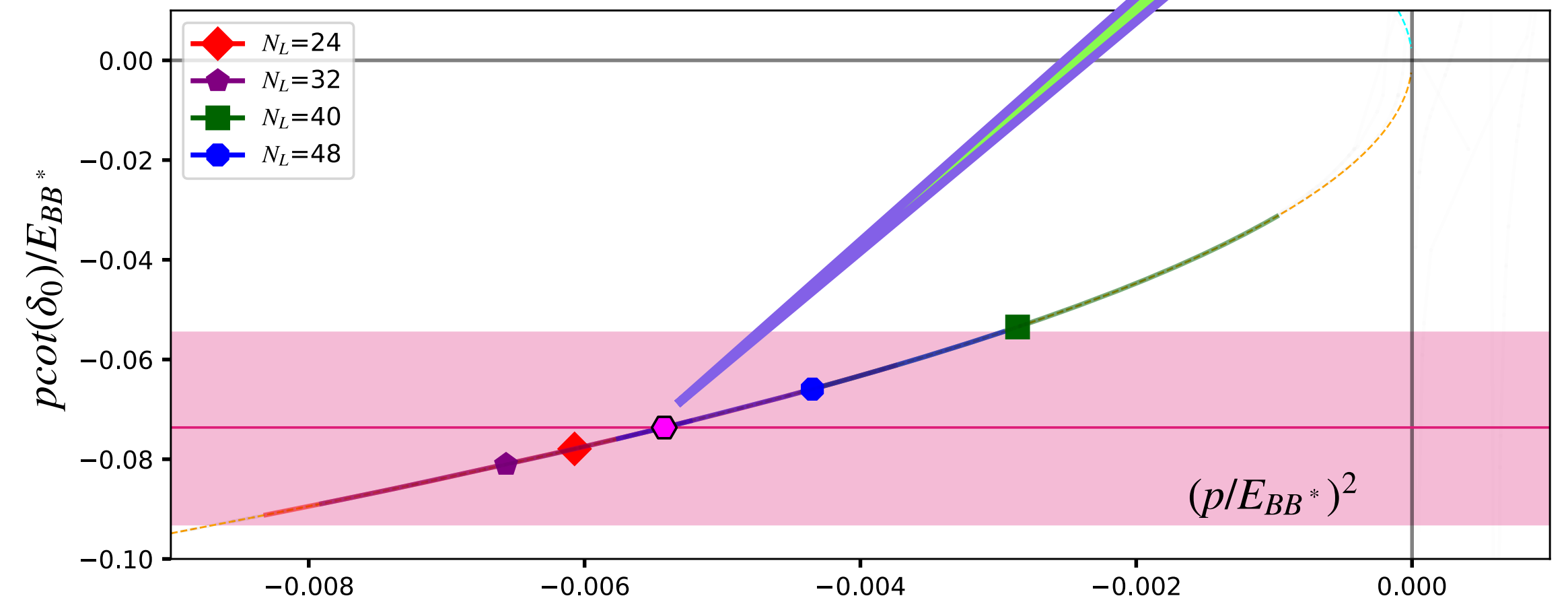
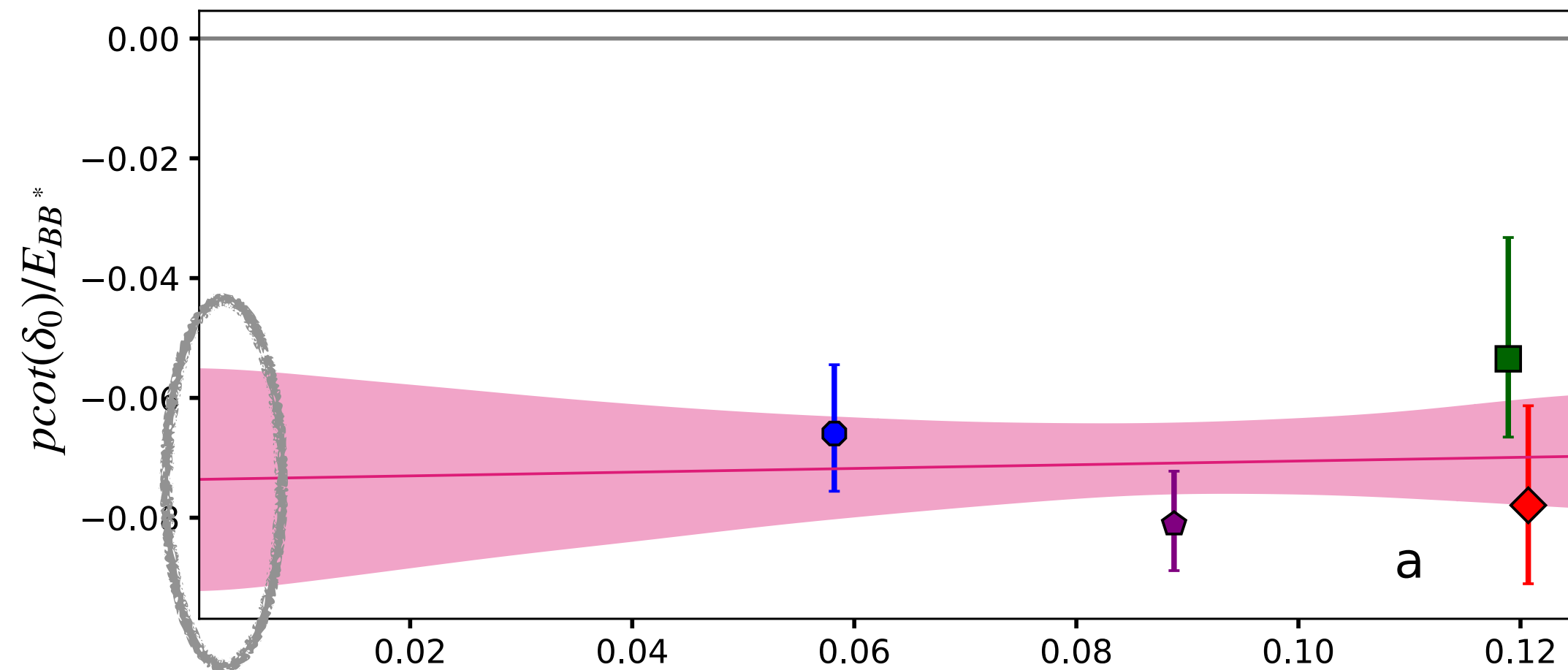
$$T \propto (pcot \delta - ip)^{-1}$$

- It is parametrised as

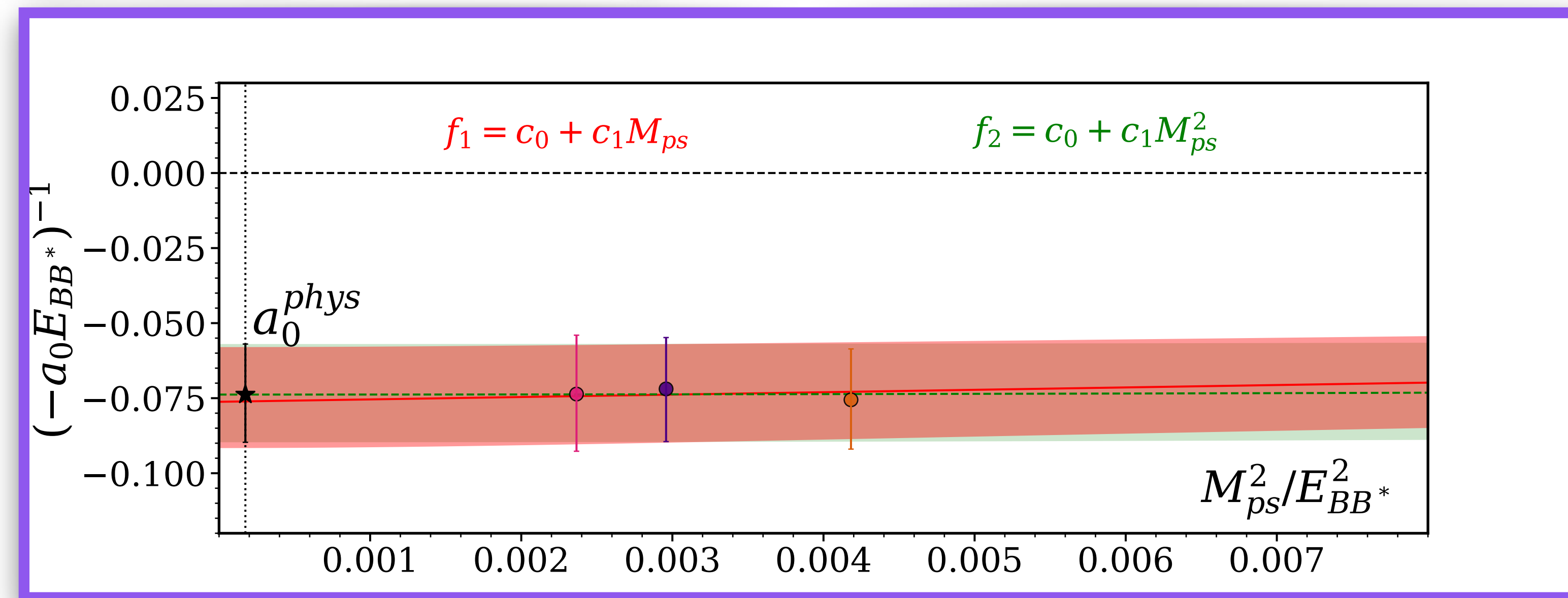
$$pcot \delta = -\frac{1}{a_0} + B \cdot a$$

Real Bound State

- Same repeated for other  $M_{ps}$ .
- Consistent Negative values for other  $M_{ps}$  as well as real bound state.



# Chiral Extrapolation

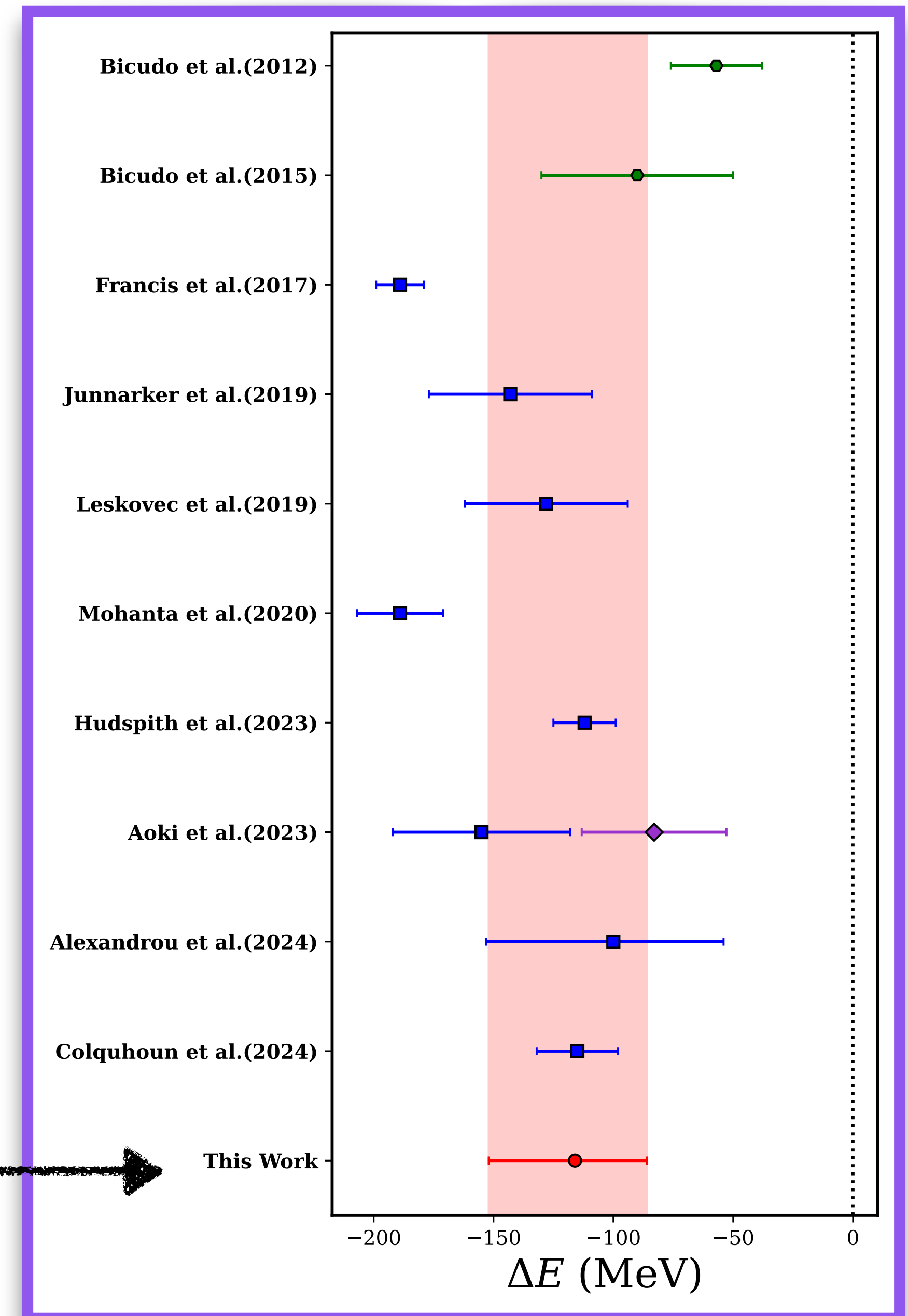


**Result:**

**Scattering length at physical limit**

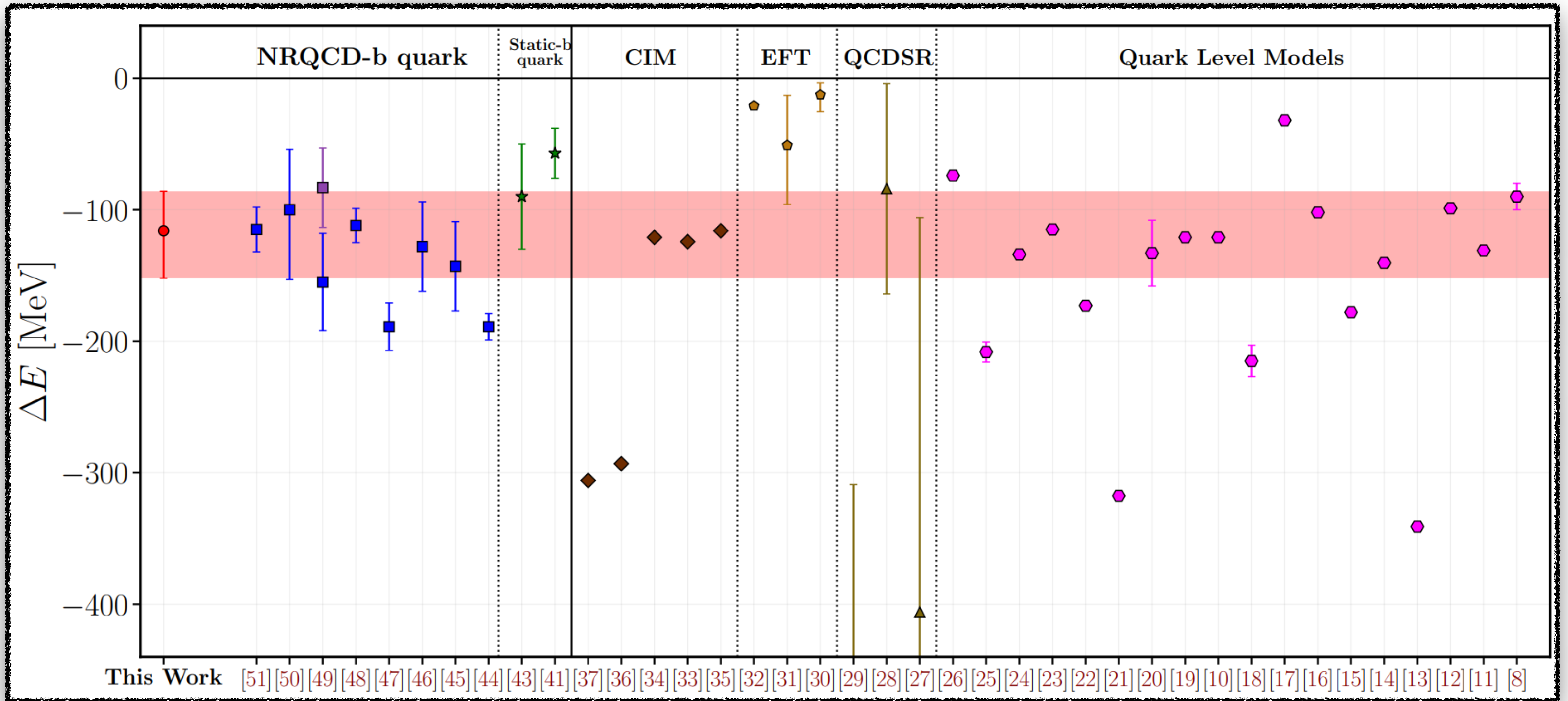
$$a_0^{phy} = 0.25({}^4_3) fm$$

**Corresponds to binding energy  $\Delta E = -116({}^{+30}_{-36}) MeV$ .**

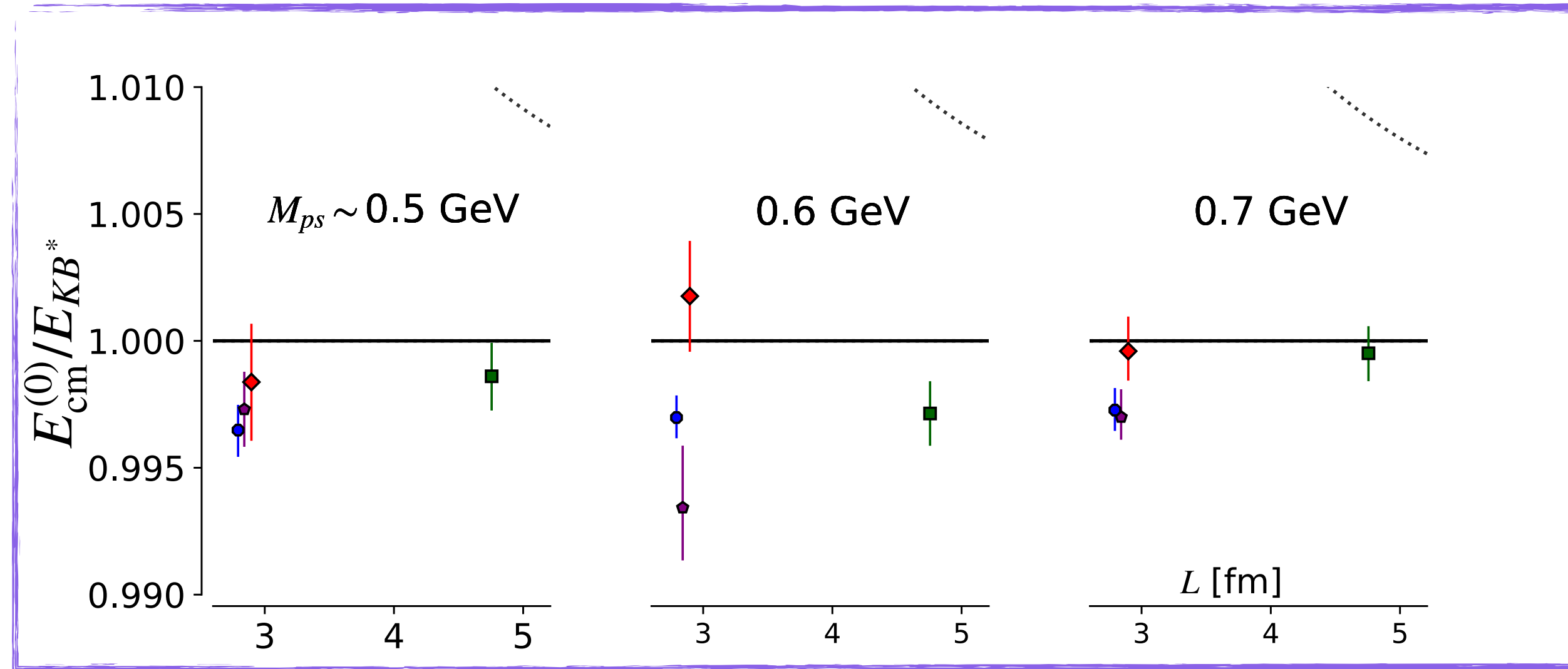




# Summary $T_{bb}$

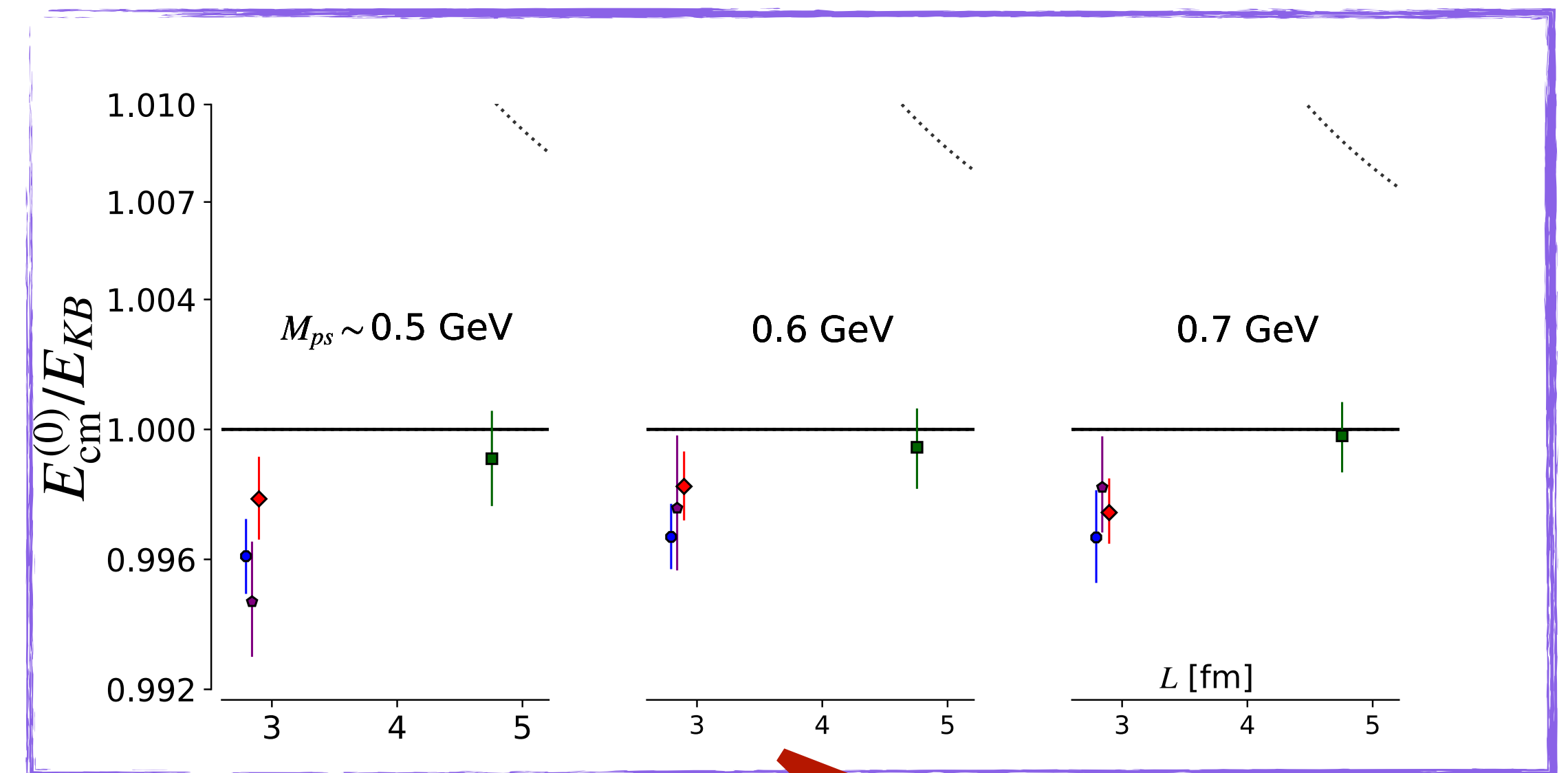


# Results of $T_{bs}$



Axial  
vector  $T_{bs}$

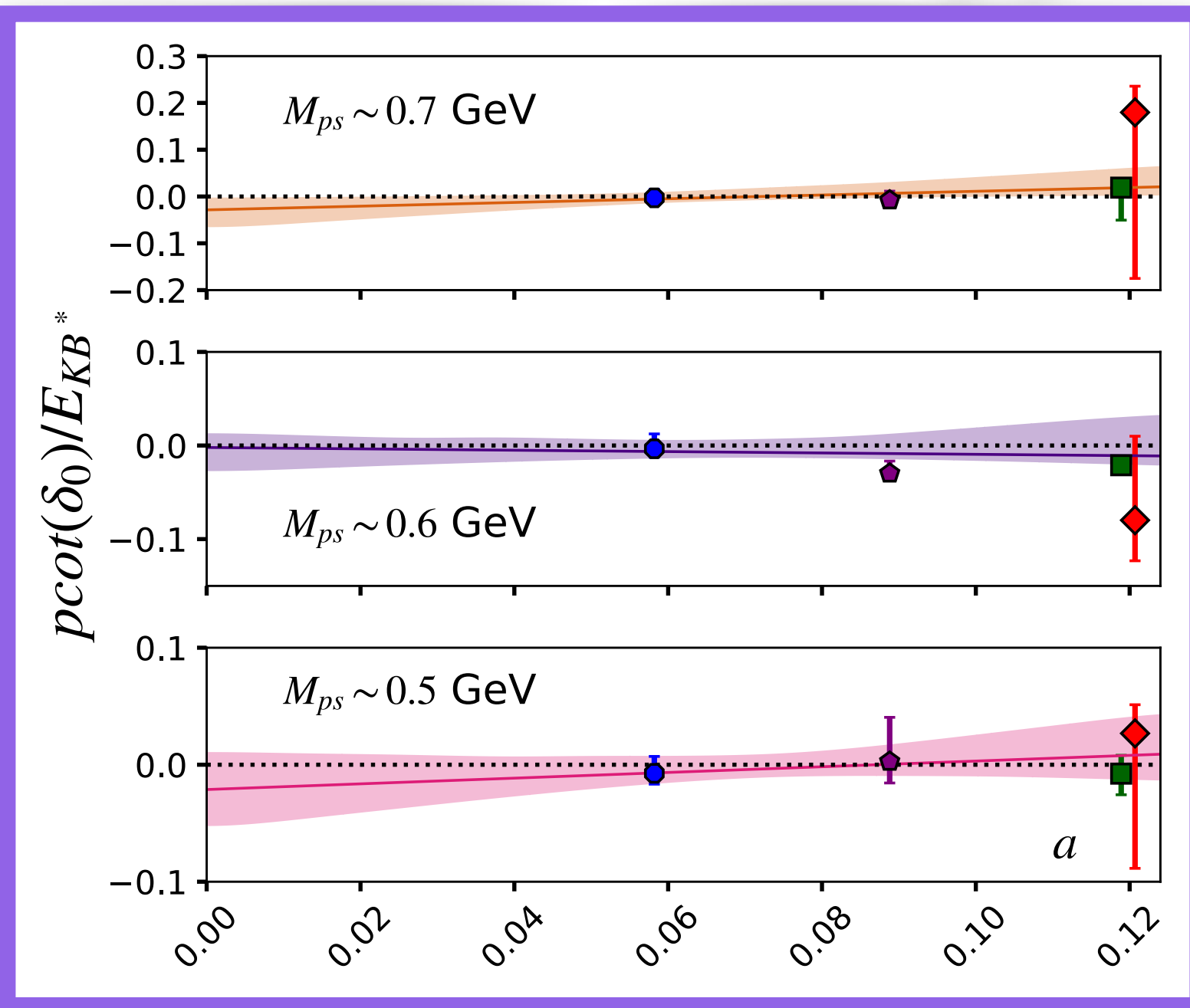
- Results are consistent with threshold in both the cases for larger volume.
- Need low  $M_{ps}$  datas for better results.



Scalar  $T_{bs}$

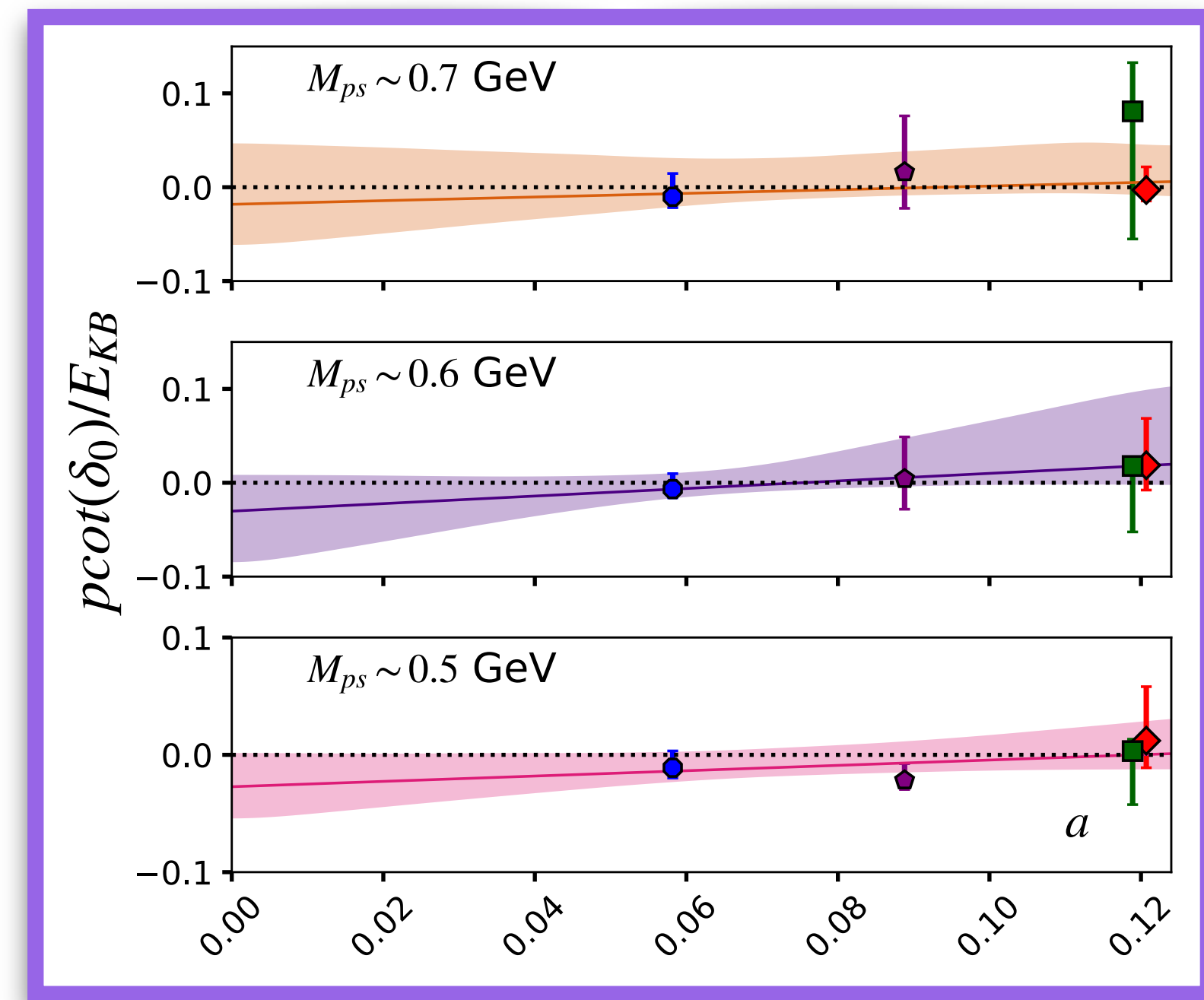
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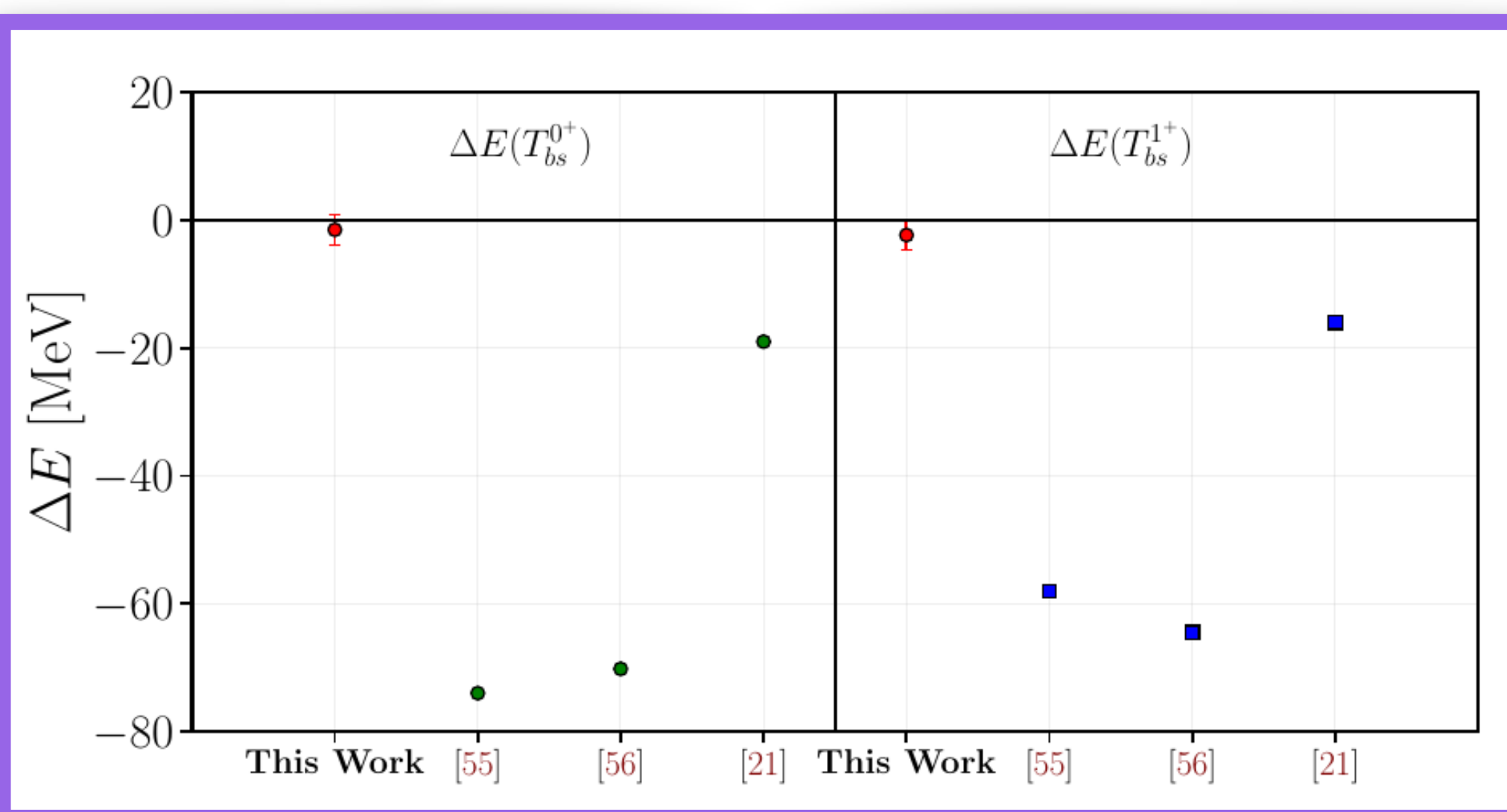


Scalar  $T_{bs}$

Summary  $T_{bs}$



Axial  
vector  $T_{bs}$



Can we understand  
phenomenological why  
this is the case??



# Summary and Outlook

- Various work widely predicted deep binding in isoscalar axial-vector  $T_{bb}$ .
- Rigorous spectrum analysis were done for  $T_{bb}$  tetraquark with  $I(J^P) = 0(1^+)$ .
- We worked with multiple lattice spacing, two volumes to control systematics.
- Finite volume spectrum indicates negative energy shift with respect to  $BB^*$  threshold.
- Found a possible deeply bound state for  $T_{bb}$  not such exciting results in  $T_{bs}$ .

Slides will be available at my website <https://www.imsc.res.in/~bhabanist/>

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