

Factorial growth at low orders in perturbative QCD

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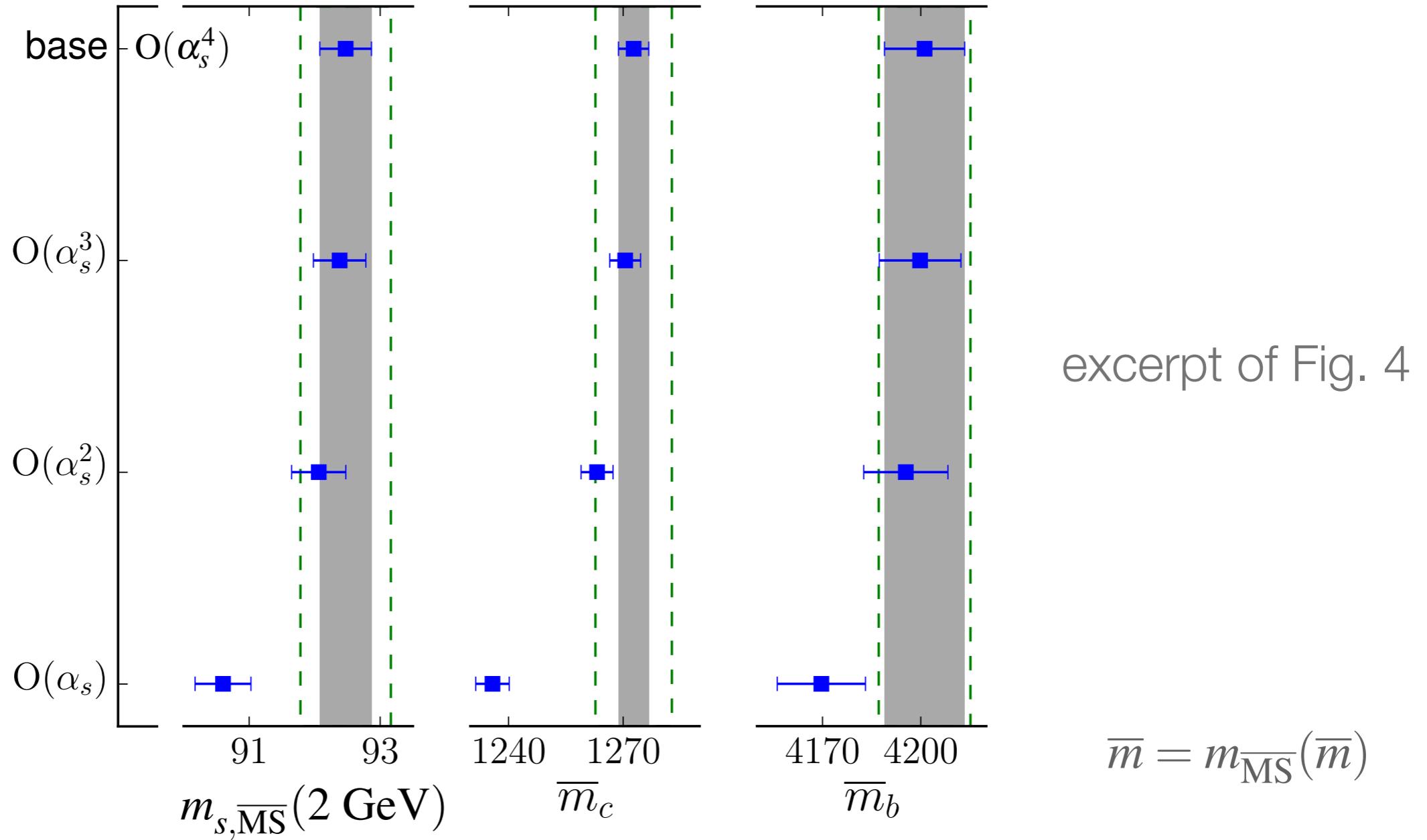
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No Perturbative Truncation Uncertainty!?

- Quark masses in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ scheme with small uncertainties:
 - total < 1% for bottom, charm, strange;
 - and 1–2% for up and down. [\[arXiv:1802.04248\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.04248).
- Negligible uncertainty for truncating perturbation theory:
 - order α_s^4 “matching”, but still 😊;
 - could whatever wizardry was used be generalized?

Perturbative Stability



Fermilab Lattice, MILC, & TUMQCD [[arXiv:1802.04248](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.04248)]

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Normalization Factor R_0

- R_0 less well understood:
 - expressions with **complicated derivations** in the literature [[I. Lee 1998](#), [1999](#), [Pineda 2001](#); [Hoang, Jain, Scimemi, Stewart 2008](#); [Komijani 2017](#)].
- Komijani [[arXiv:1701.00347](#)]:

$$R_0 = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (k+1) \frac{\Gamma(1+b)}{\Gamma(k+2+b)} (2\beta_0)^{-k} f_k$$



f_k obtained from $r_j, \beta_j, j \leq k$; see below

Minimal Renormalon Subtraction

- Brambilla, Komijani, & ASK, Vairo [[arXiv:1712.04983](https://arxiv.org/abs/1712.04983)]
proposed adding and subtracting the R_l series:

$$m_b = \bar{m} + \bar{m} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} [r_l - R_l] \alpha_s^{l+1}(\bar{m}) + \bar{m} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} R_l \alpha_s^{l+1}(\bar{m})$$

- First sum is truncated at some order: $\infty \rightarrow L - 1$.
- Second sum can be carried out via Borel procedure.
- Dubbed “minimal renormalon subtraction” (MRS).
- Are medium orders approximated well?

Aims & Outcomes

- Generalize MRS to arbitrary power corrections Λ^p / Q^p and to different scale choices $\alpha_s(s\bar{m})$.
- Dissatisfaction with (my understanding) of the R_0 derivations led me to devise a simple method that:
 - reproduces Komijani's normalization (in practice);
 - demonstrates factorial behavior already at low order;
 - shows how to treat more than one power correction.

Outline

- Introduction
- Power Corrections and Factorial Growth
- New Approximation for Perturbative Series
- Borel Summation
- Worked Examples: Static Energy and Pole Mass
- Two or More Power Corrections
- Conclusions & Outlook

Power Corrections and Factorial Growth

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Power-Term Removal

- Start with $\mathcal{R}(Q) = r_{-1} + R(Q) + C_p \frac{\Lambda^p}{Q^p}$.
- To eliminate Λ^p/Q^p , multiply by Q^p and differentiate:

$$r_{-1} + F(Q) \equiv \frac{1}{pQ^{p-1}} \frac{dQ^p \mathcal{R}}{dQ} \equiv \hat{Q}^{(p)} \mathcal{R}$$

- As a series $F(Q) = \sum_{k=0} f_k \alpha_s^{k+1}(Q) \Rightarrow f(\alpha) = \sum_{k=0} f_k \alpha^{k+1}$.

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- Take $f(\alpha)$ as given and solve for $r(\alpha)$:
 - Komijani's solution reproduces R_l 's growth, yields R_0 .
 - Here, use only the elementary feature—
 - general solution is **any** particular solution plus a solution of the homogeneous equation (0 on RHS);
 - **solution to homogeneous equation is** $\propto \Lambda^p$.

My Solution

- The relation between the coefficients is a matrix equation

$$f_k^{(p)} = r_k - \frac{2}{p} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} (j+1) \beta_{k-1-j} r_j$$

$$\mathbf{f}^{(p)} = \left[1 - \frac{2}{p} \mathbf{D} \right] \cdot \mathbf{r} \equiv \mathbf{Q}^{(p)} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

and \mathbf{D} is on the lower triangle.

- Matrix is infinite, but the lower triangular form makes a row-by-row solution straightforward.

- Notation to make the expressions compact: $\tau \equiv 2\beta_0/p$.

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- As before $b = \beta_1/2\beta_0^2 \stackrel{n_f=3}{=} 32/81 \approx 0.4$.
- Scheme for α_s is chosen to simplify algebra (“geometric”):

$$\beta(\alpha_g) = -\frac{\beta_0 \alpha_g^2}{1 - (\beta_1/\beta_0)\alpha_g}$$

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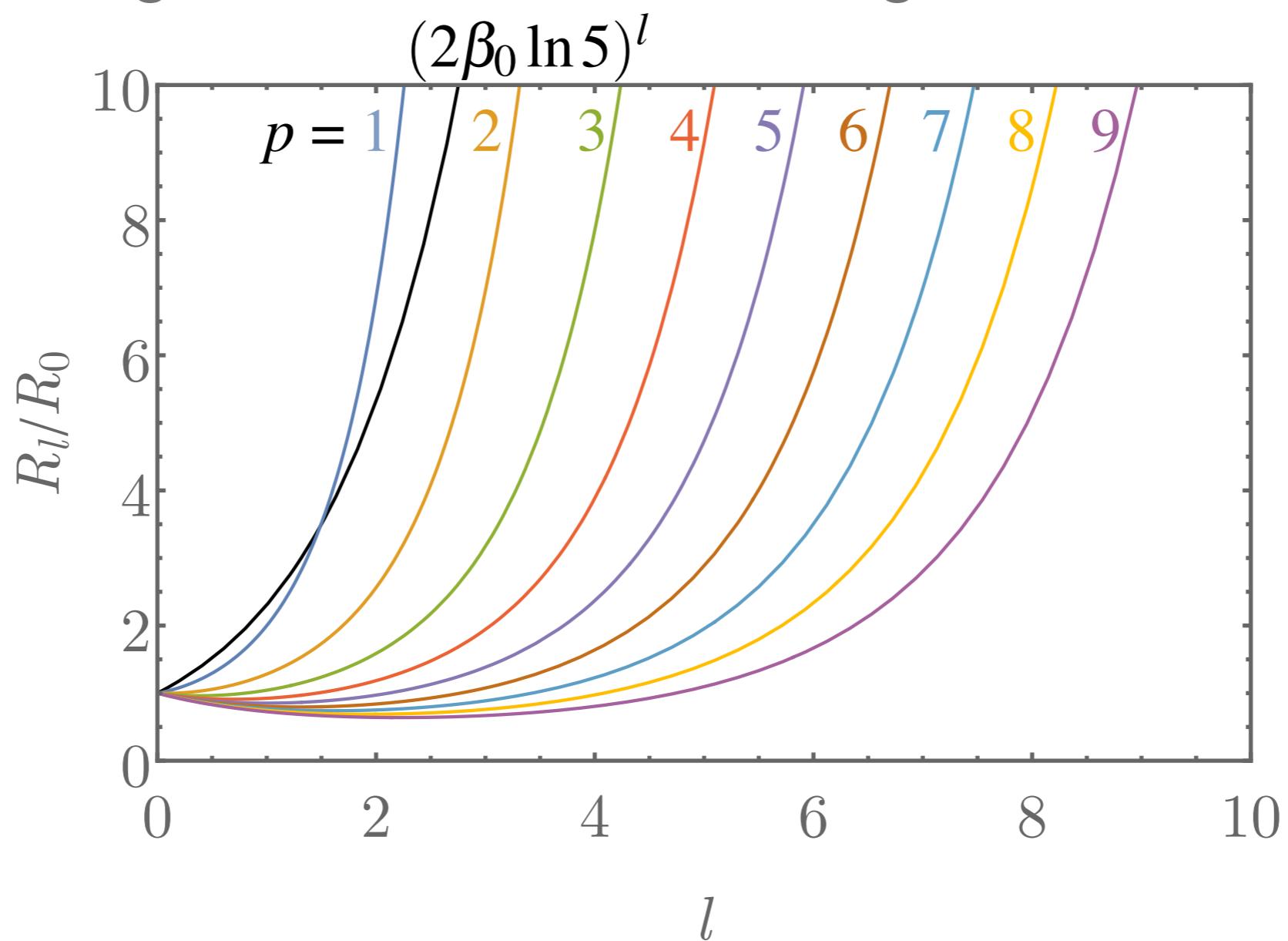
Komijani's R_0 (truncated)

$$+ f_l^{(p)}$$

extra

Growth Power

- Larger p growth takes over at larger l .



New Approximation for Perturbative Series

Perturbative Series

- We must be back where we started, right? $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{r}$
- In practice, we know r_l and, hence, f_l for $l < L$.
The formula returns these r_l (as it must).
- For $l \geq L$, the formula tells us (formally) the largest part.
- So truncate on f_l , not r_l . Evaluate $\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1}$ by—
 - taking exact r_l from the literature for $l < L$;
 - approximating $r_l \approx R_l$ for $l \geq L$.

Recap & Compendium

- That means $\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1} \rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1} + \sum_{l=L}^{\infty} R_l^{(p)} \alpha_s^{l+1}$

with

$$R_l^{(p)} \equiv R_0^{(p)} \left(\frac{2\beta_0}{p} \right)^l \frac{\Gamma(l+1+pb)}{\Gamma(1+pb)}$$

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- Systematic approximation because the **retained terms** are **formally larger** than the ones omitted.

Comparing Truncations

- Standard—truncate and hope for the best:

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1} \rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1}$$

- [arXiv:1701.00347](#) + [arXiv:1712.04983](#)—add&subtract, truncate:

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1} \rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} [r_l - R_l] \alpha_s^{l+1} + \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} R_l \alpha_s^{l+1} \rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} [r_l - R_l] \alpha_s^{l+1} + \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} R_l \alpha_s^{l+1}$$

- This analysis—approximate higher orders with the dominant factorial:

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1} \rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1} + \sum_{l=L}^{\infty} R_l \alpha_s^{l+1} \rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} [r_l - R_l] \alpha_s^{l+1} + \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} R_l \alpha_s^{l+1}$$

Borel Summation

Rearrange and React

- We have

$$\begin{aligned} R(Q) &= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1} \rightarrow \sum_{l=0}^{L-1} r_l \alpha_s^{l+1} + \sum_{l=L}^{\infty} R_l^{(p)} \alpha_s^{l+1} \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{l=0}^{L-1} (r_l - R_l^{(p)})}_{R_{\text{RS}}^{(p)}(Q)} \alpha_s^{l+1} + \underbrace{\sum_{l=0}^{\infty} R_l^{(p)}}_{R_{\text{B}}^{(p)}(Q)} \alpha_s^{l+1} \end{aligned}$$

- The “renormalon subtracted” part and the “Borel” part.
- The R_l from above yield divergent sum for R_{B} , but we’re not done yet: **use Borel summation to assign meaning.**

Borel Summation

- Using the integral representation of $\Gamma(l+1)$:

$$R_B^{(p)}(Q) = R_0^{(p)} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{\Gamma(l+1+pb)}{\Gamma(1+pb)\Gamma(l+1)} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{2\beta_0 t}{p} \right)^l e^{-t/\alpha_g(Q)} dt \right]$$

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absorb into power correction

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Definition and Properties of \mathcal{J}

- Thus, we now define

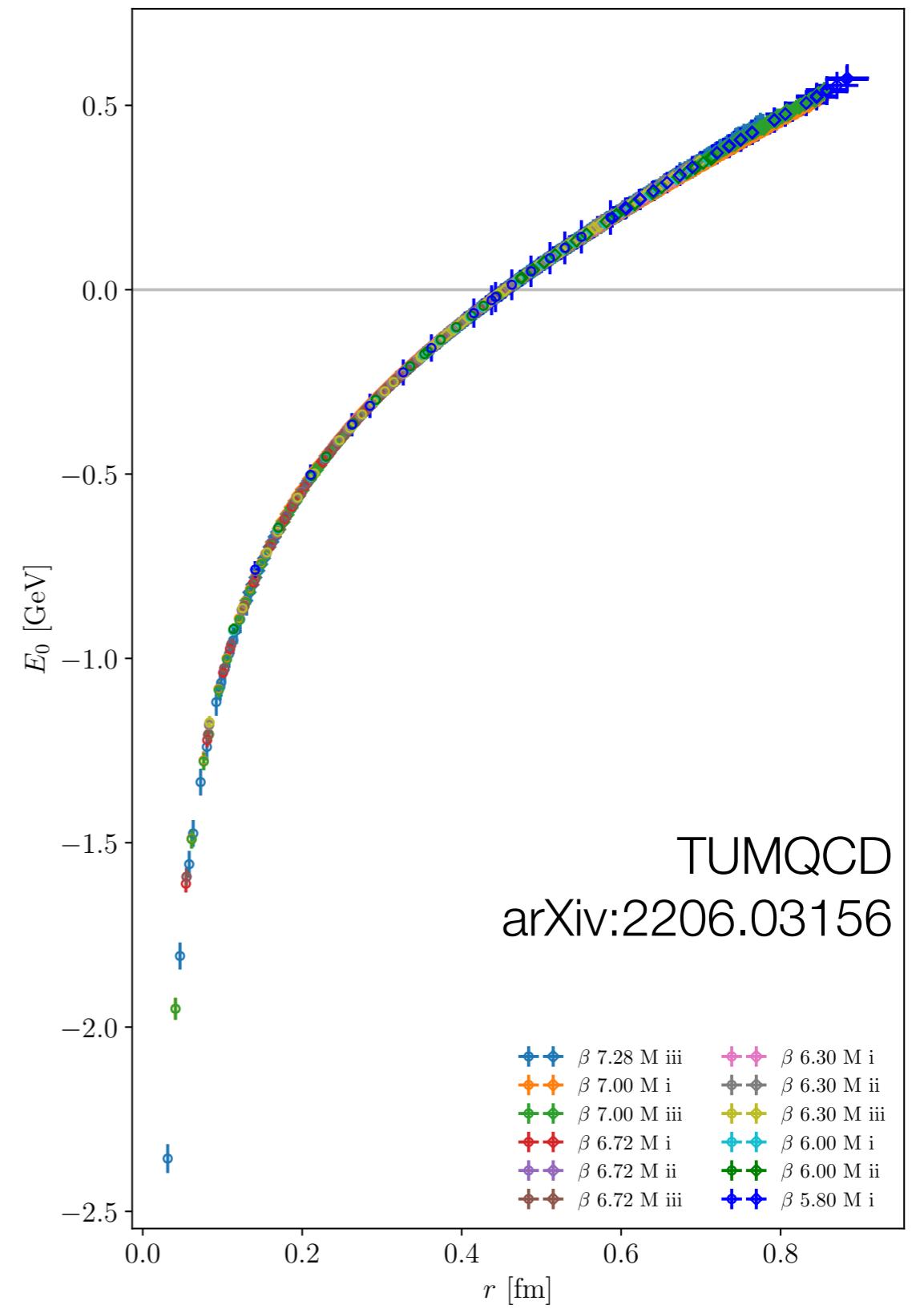
$$R_B^{(p)}(Q) = R_0^{(p)} \frac{p}{2\beta_0} \mathcal{J}(pb, 1/2\beta_0\alpha_g(Q))$$
$$\mathcal{J}(c, y) = e^{-y}\Gamma(-c)\gamma^*(-c, -y)$$

where $\gamma^*(a, x)$ is an analytic function of both a and x :

limiting function of the incomplete gamma function

- convergent expansion in $x = -1/2\beta_0\alpha_g$;
- asymptotic expansion in α_g regenerates the starting point; the dropped term is $O(e^{-p/2\beta_0\alpha_g})$.

Worked Examples



Static Energy

- Quantity extracted from oblong Wilson loops:
 - perturbative **potential** has IR divergences starting at 3 loops [[Appelquist, Dine, Muzinich 1978](#)];
 - compensated by multipole term [[Brambilla, Pineda, Soto, Vairo 1999, 2000](#)].
- Perturbative series:
$$E_0(r) = -\frac{C_F}{r} \sum_{l=0} \textcolor{brown}{v}_l(\mu r) \alpha_s(\mu)^{l+1} + \Lambda_0$$
- In notation used above, $Q \rightarrow 1/r$, $\mathcal{R}(1/r) = -rE_0(r)/C_F$.

Related Quantities

- Perturbation theory carried out in momentum space:

$$\tilde{R}(q) = \sum_{l=0} \textcolor{orange}{a}_l(\mu/q) \alpha_s(\mu)^{l+1}$$

- Leading power/factorial comes from Fourier transform, so $\tilde{R}(q)$ has $p > 1$.
- The “static force”

$$\mathfrak{F}(r) = -\frac{dE_0}{dr} \quad \mathcal{F}(r) = F^{(1)}(1/r) = -r^2 \mathfrak{F}(r)/C_F$$

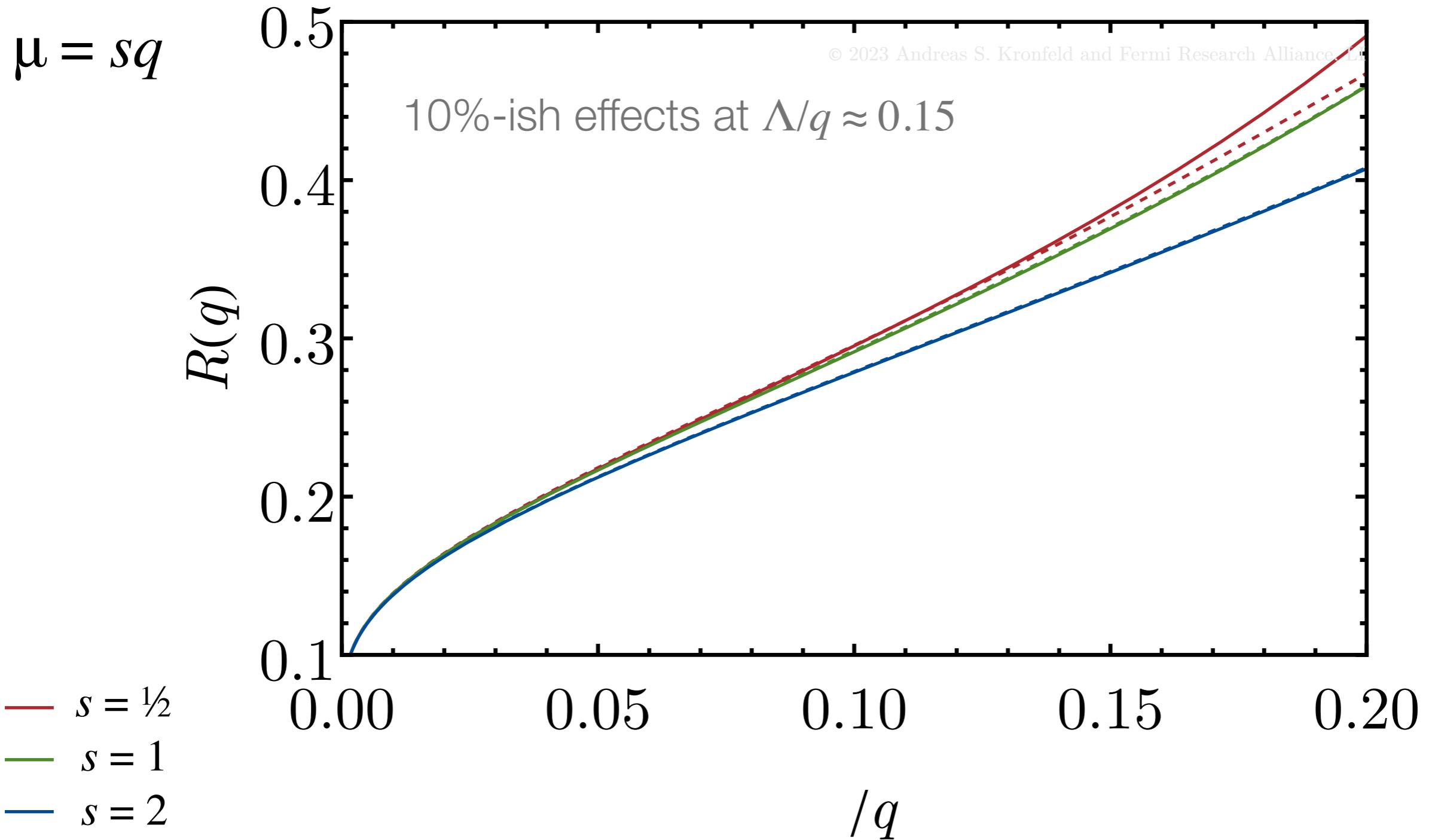
has no power corrections (until instantons at $p \geq 9$).

Coefficients at $\mu = 1/r$ or $\mu = q$

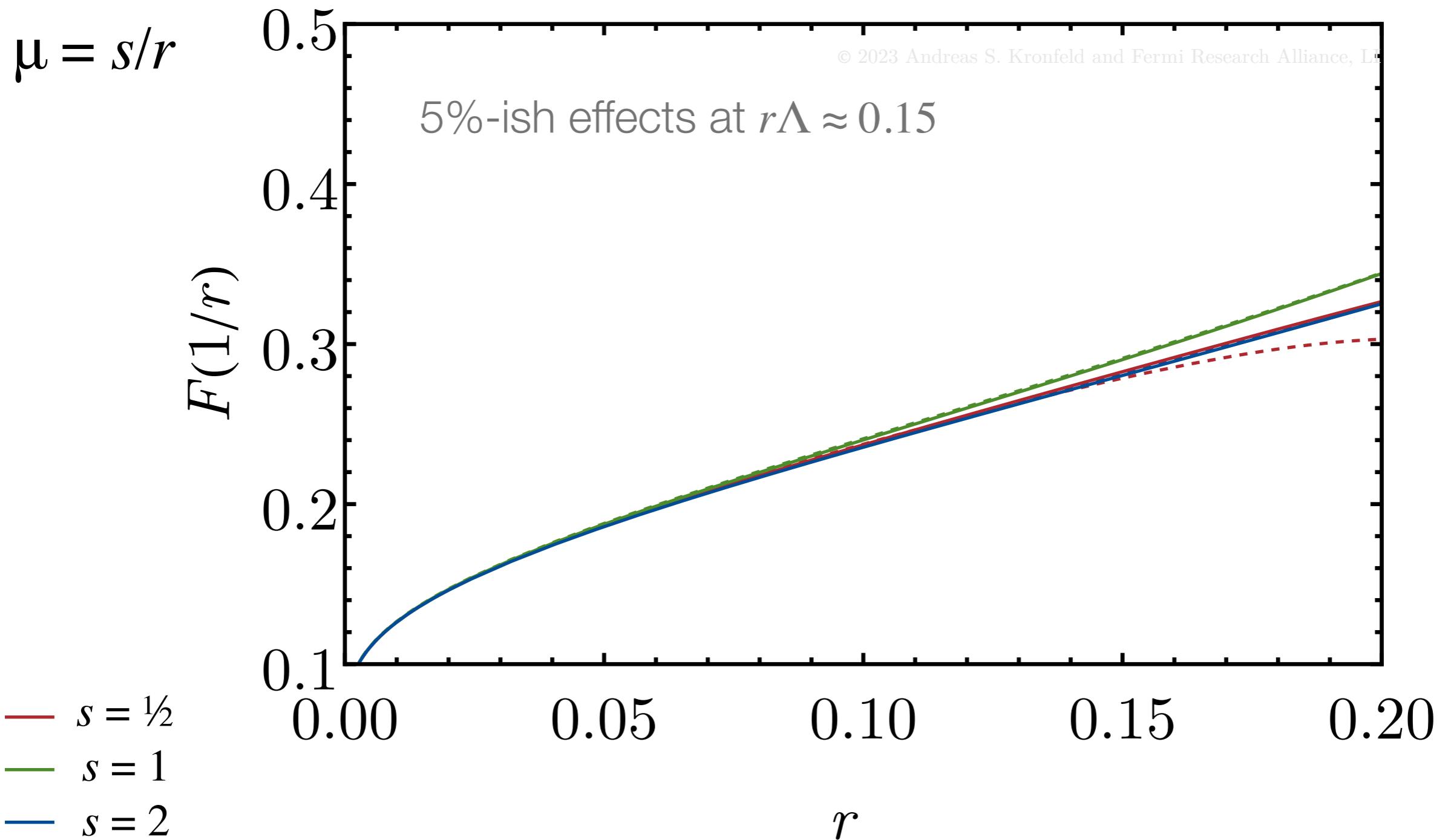
l	$\overline{\text{MS}}$		geometric		α_2	
	$a_l(1)$	$f_l(1)$	$a_l(1)$	$f_l(1)$	$a_l(1)$	$f_l(1)$
0	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0.557042	-0.048552	0.557042	-0.048552	0.557042	-0.048552
2	1.70218	0.687291	1.83497	0.820079	1.83497	0.820079
3	2.43687	0.323257	2.83268	0.558242	3.01389	0.739452

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	$v_l(1)$	$v_l(1) - V_l(1)$	$v_l(1)$	$v_l(1) - V_l(1)$	$v_l(1)$	$v_l(1) - V_l(1)$
0	1	0.206061	1	0.182531	1	0.177584
1	1.38384	-0.202668	1.38384	-0.249689	1.38384	-0.259574
2	5.46228	0.019479	5.59507	-0.009046	5.59507	-0.042959
3	26.6880	0.219262	27.3034	0.050179	27.4846	0.066468

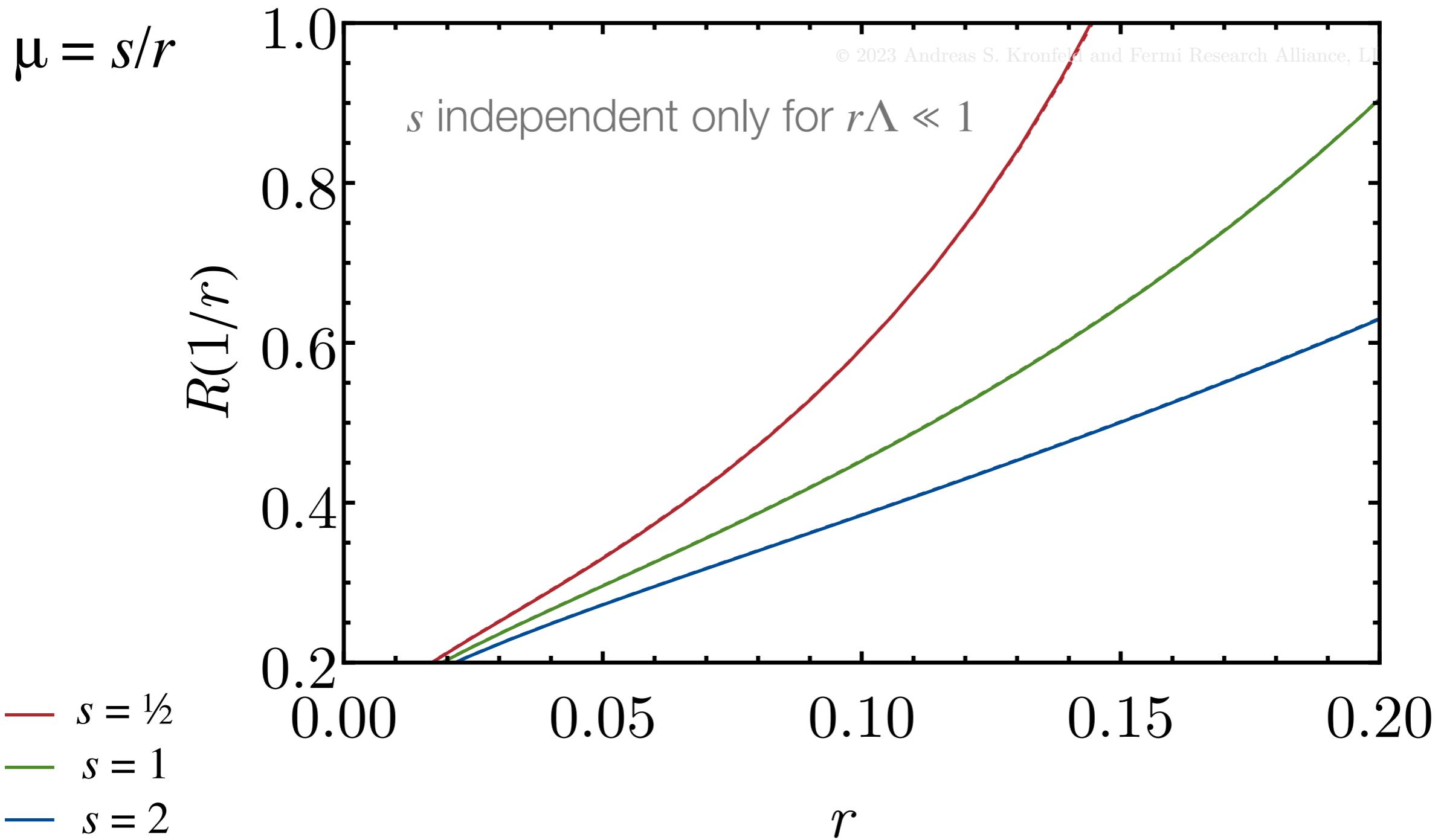
Good Series (at most $p > 1$ growth)



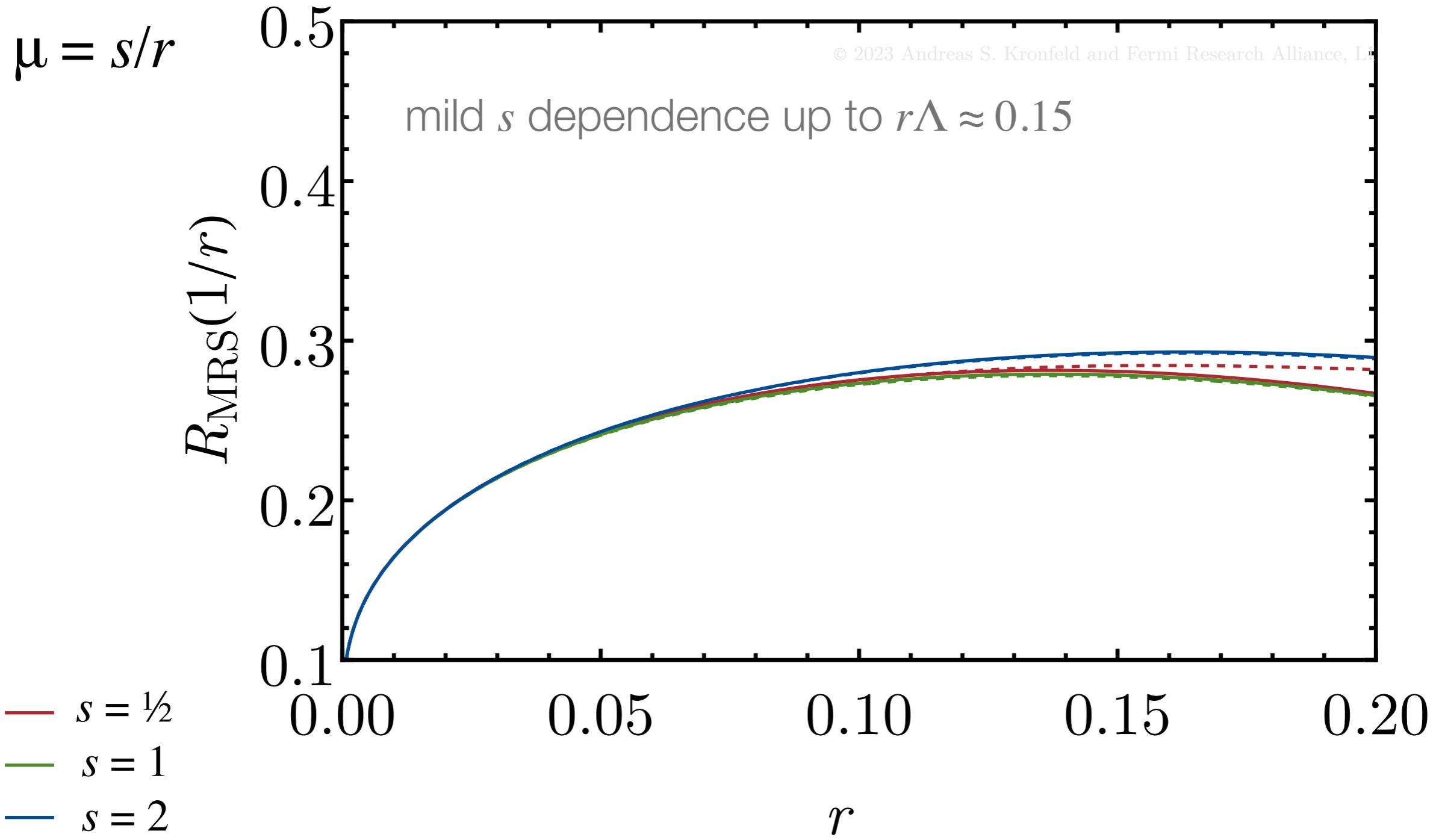
Great Series (instanton power $p \geq 9$)



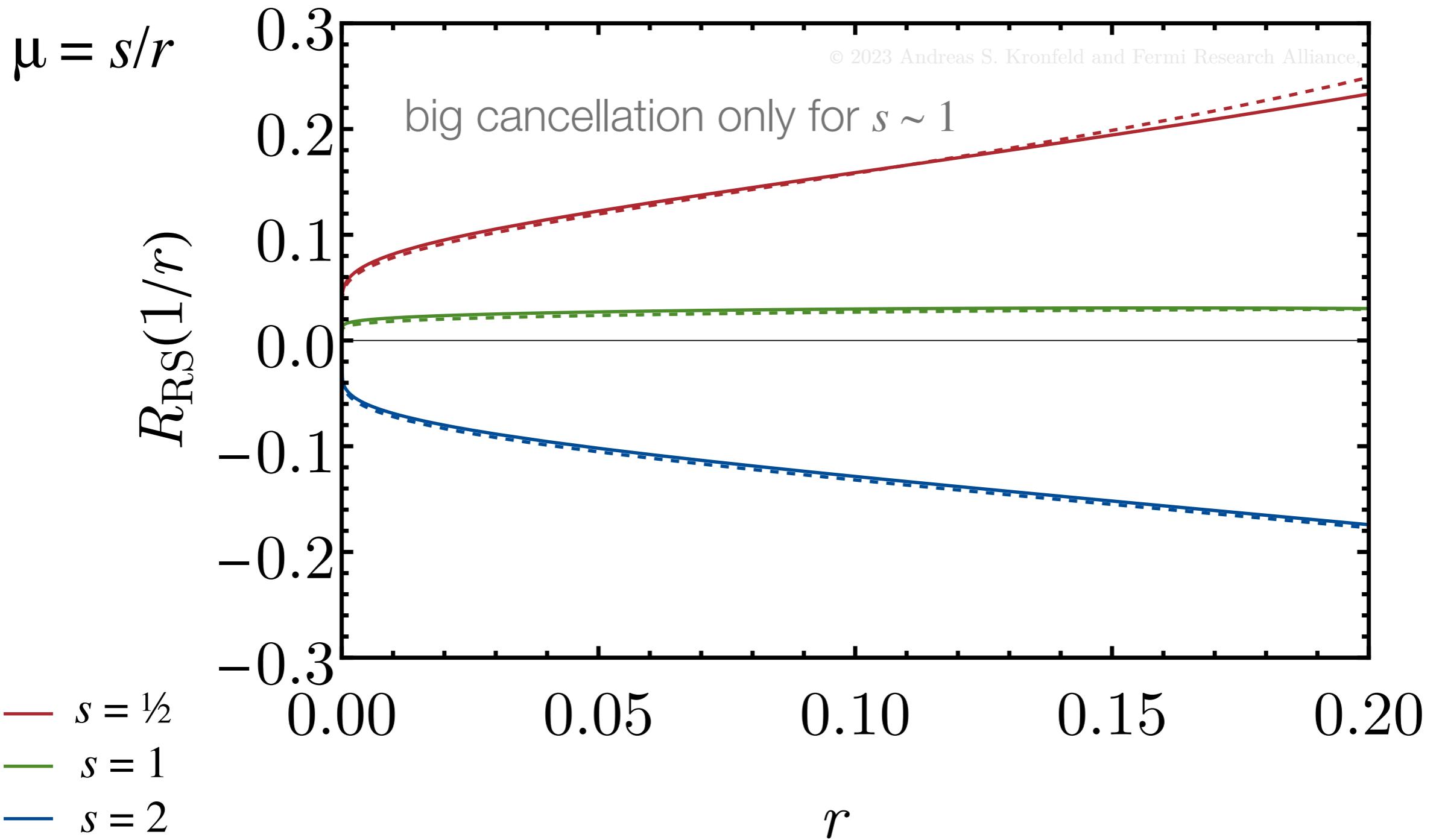
Horrible Series ($p = 1$)



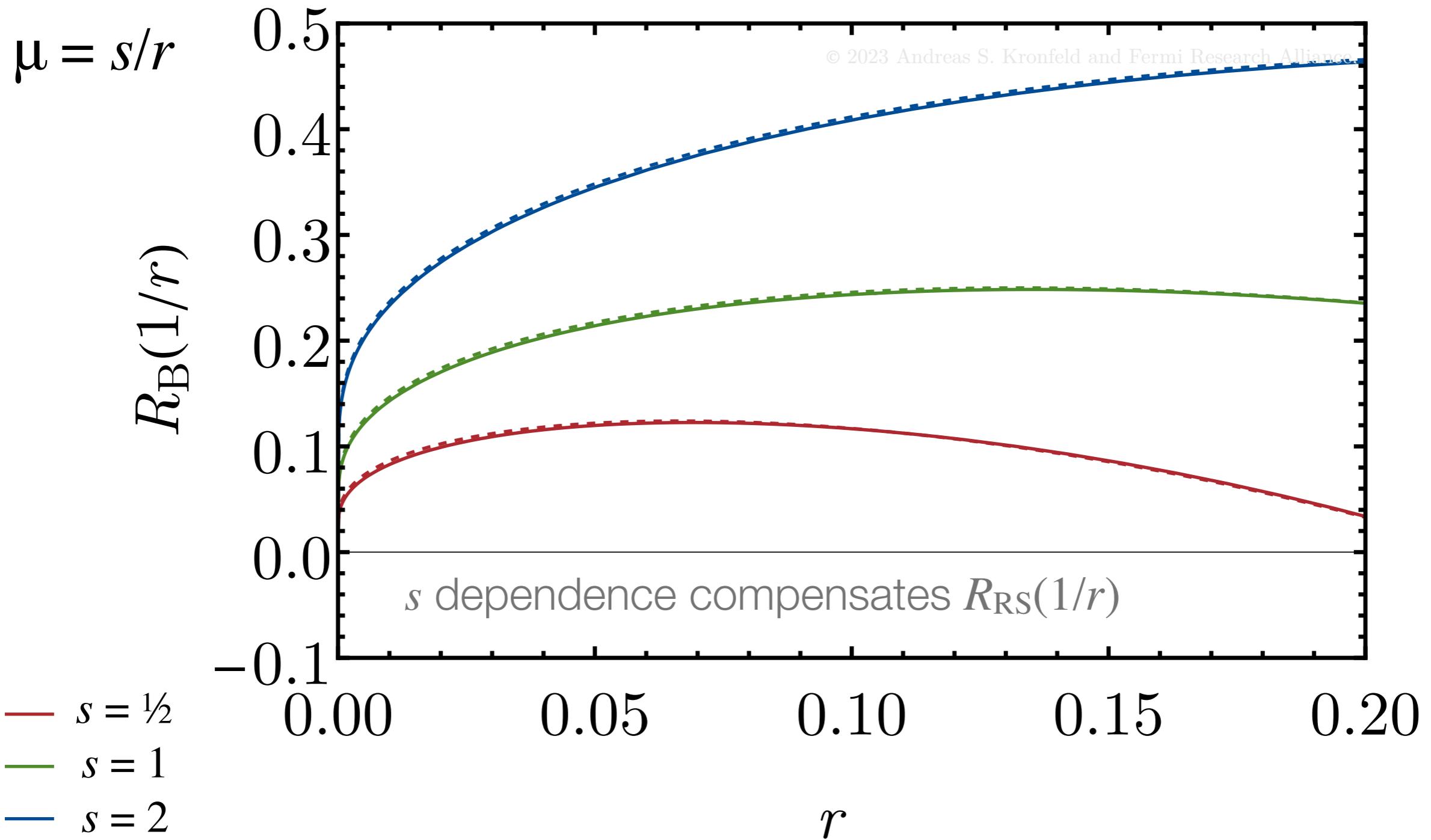
MRS Series



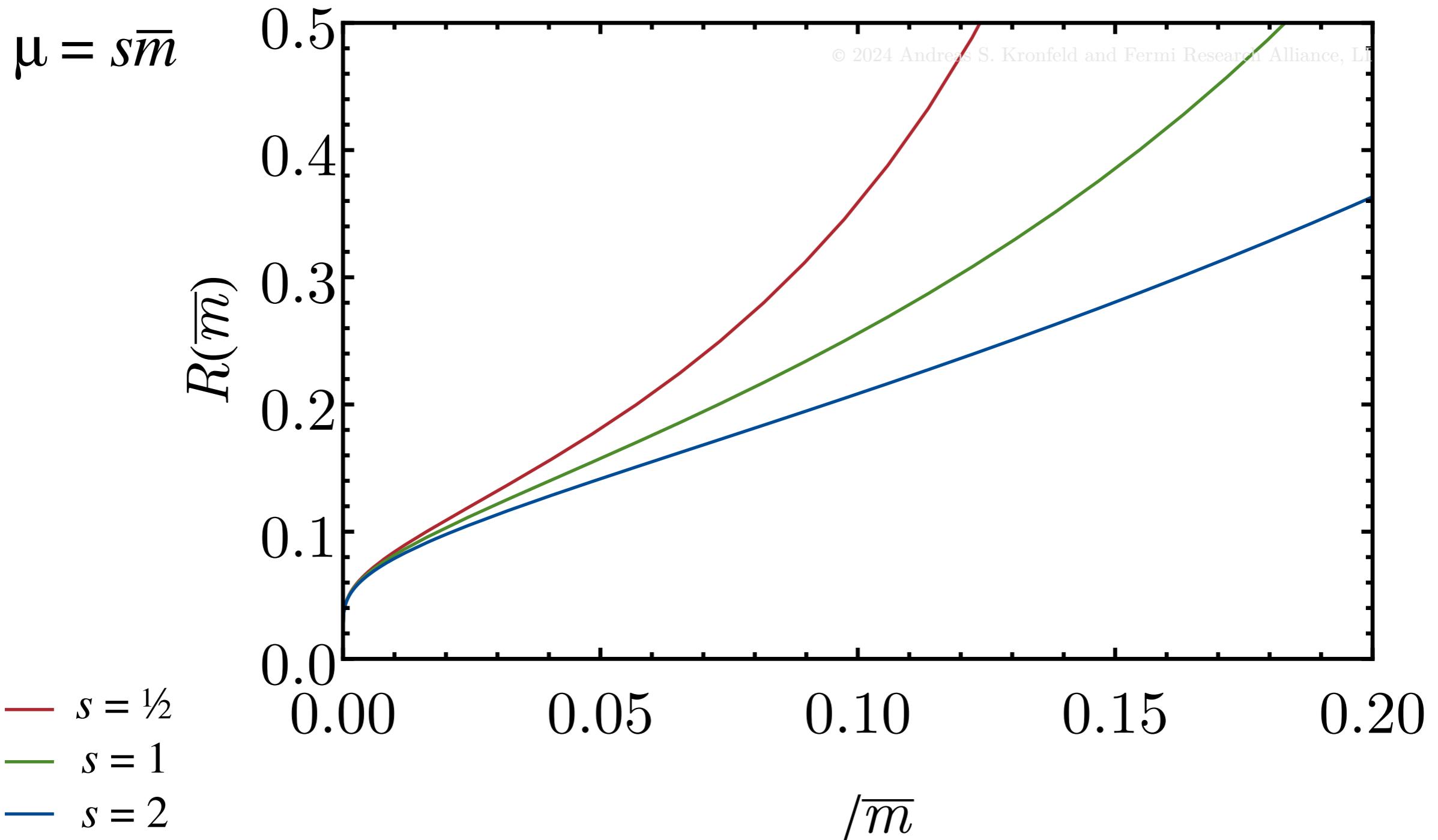
Renormalon Subtracted Series



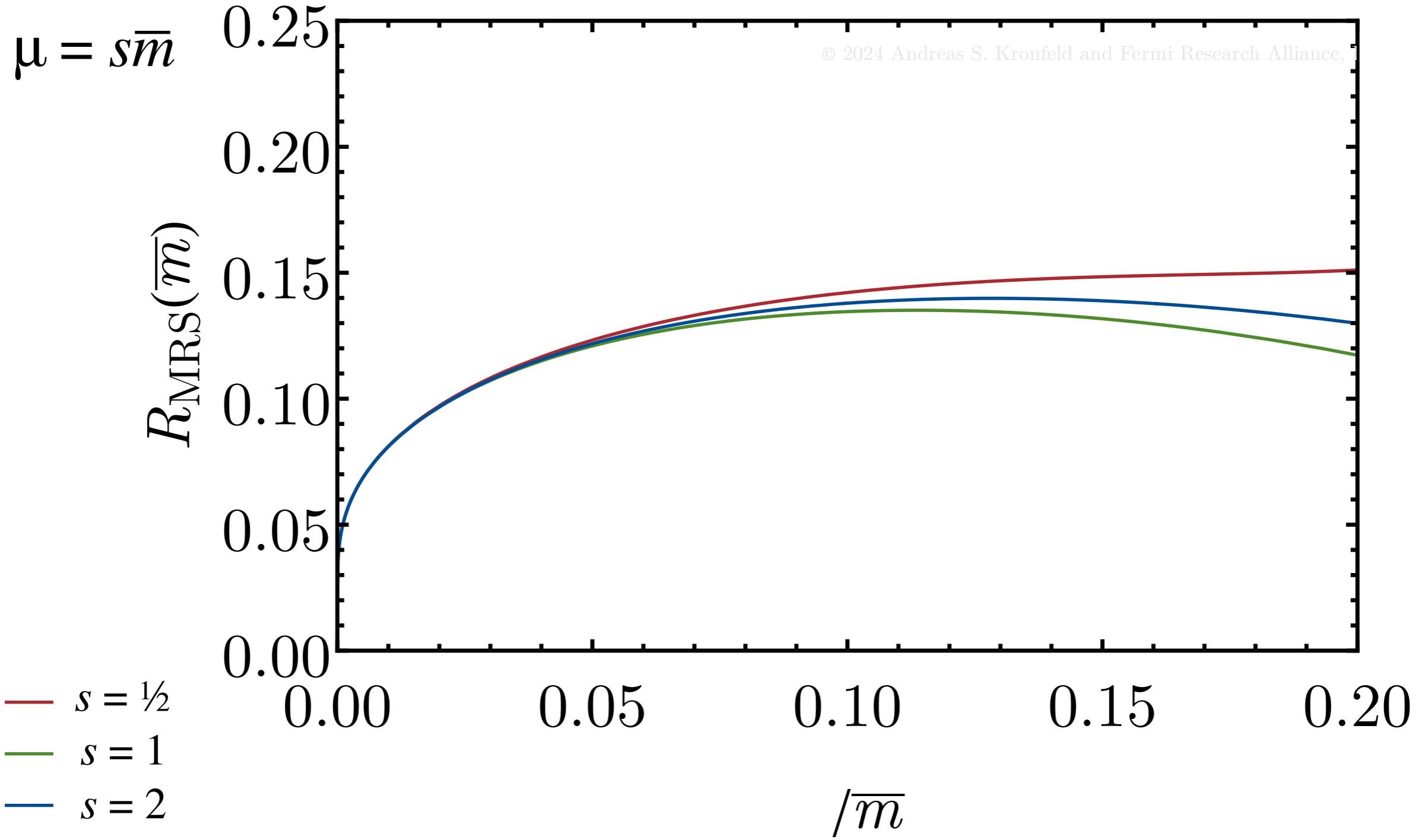
Borel Sum (the series convergent in $1/\alpha_s$)



Pole Mass's Horrible Series ($p = 1$)



Pole Mass's MRS Series

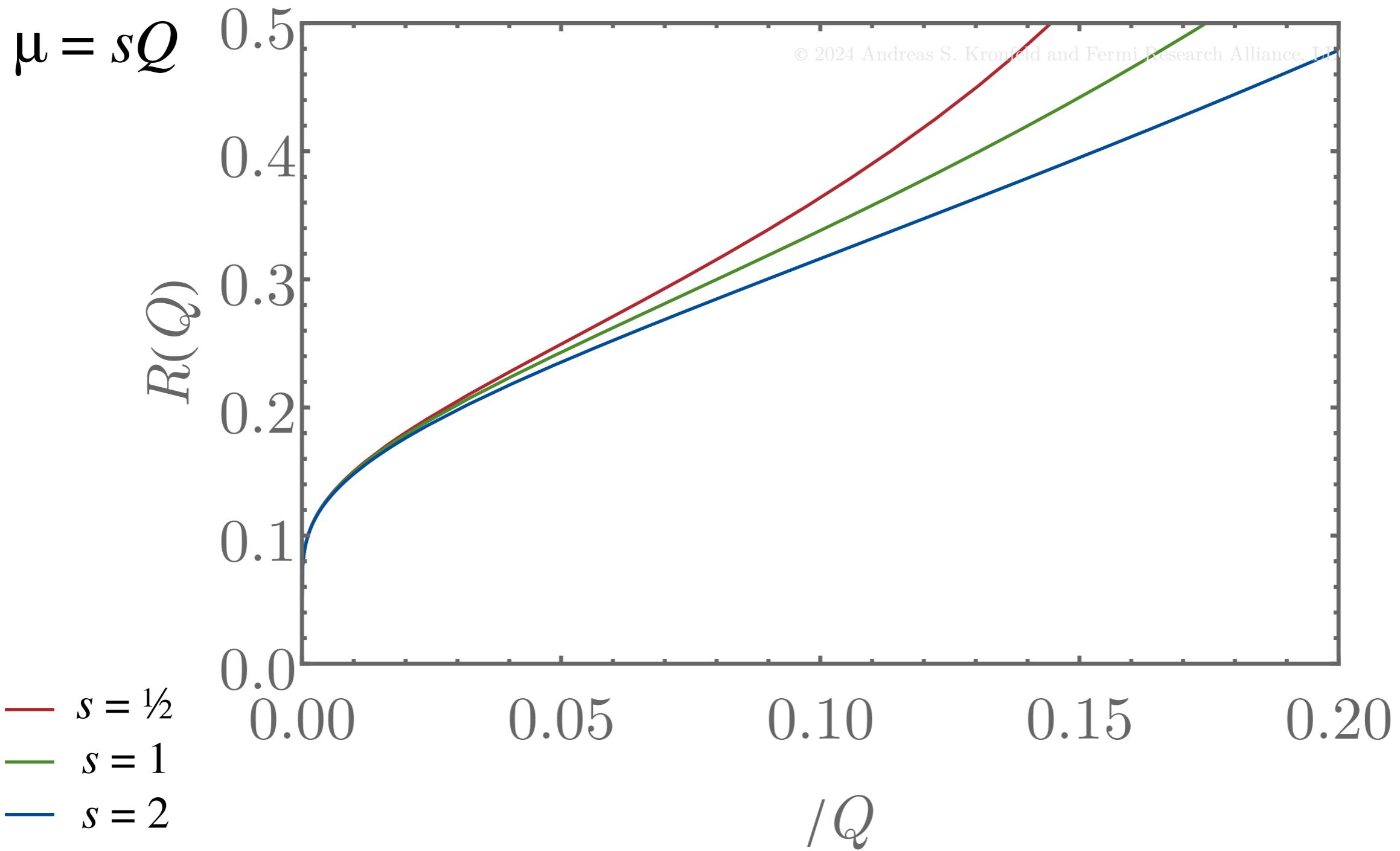


Fitting with Power Corrections

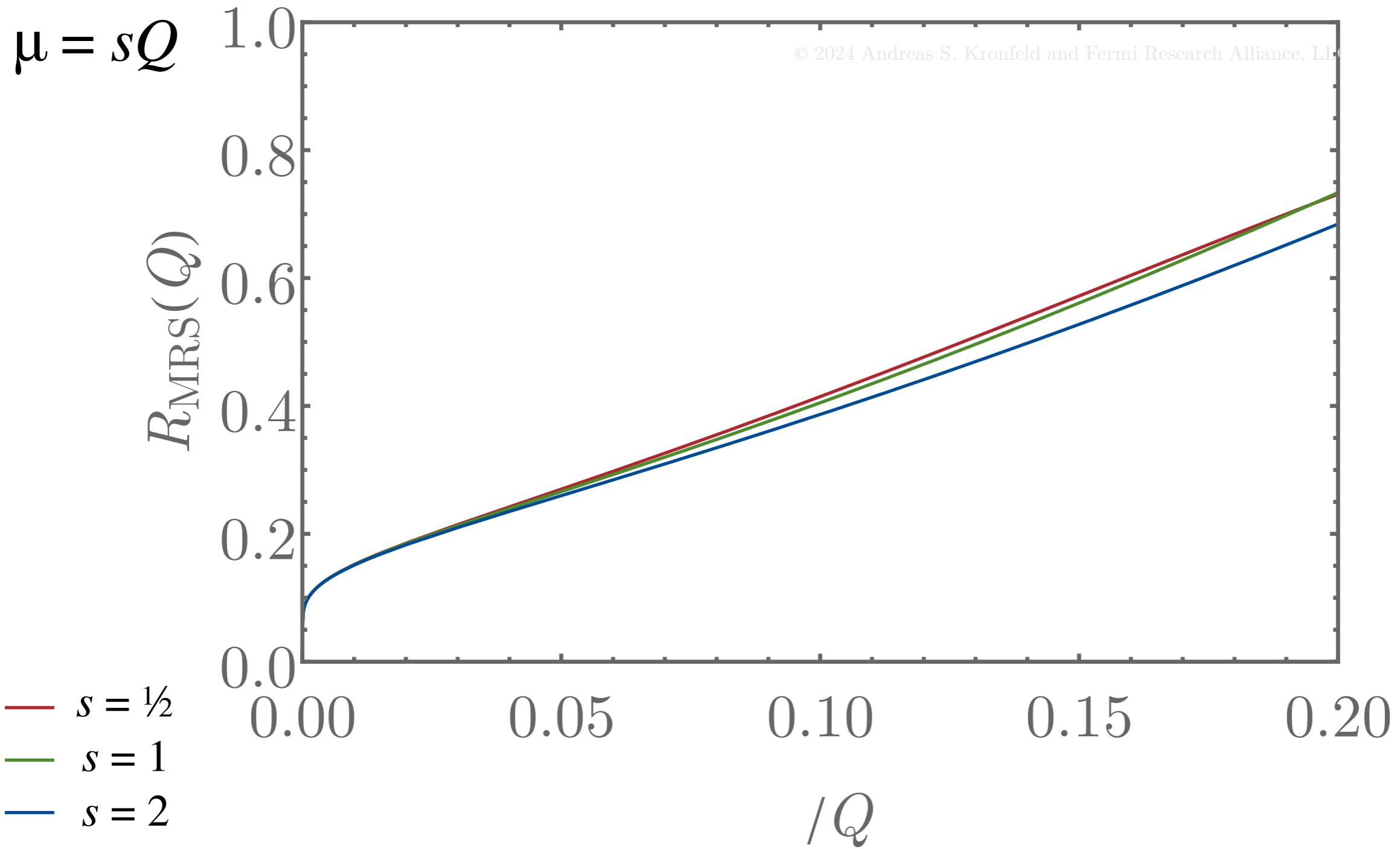
- The Λ on the horizontal axis is $\Lambda_{\overline{\text{MS}}}$ —
 - fits to data will have this as free parameter, i.e., optimization will stretch/shrink the curves to fit.
- Let's go back to the plots and get a feel for adding small amounts of order $(\Lambda/q)^2$ or 3 or 4, $(\Lambda r)^9$, or Λr .
- Disentangling power-law and logarithmic dependence seems hard for $\tilde{R}(q)$ and $R(1/r)$, but not for $F(1/r)$ and $R_{\text{MRS}}(1/r)$.



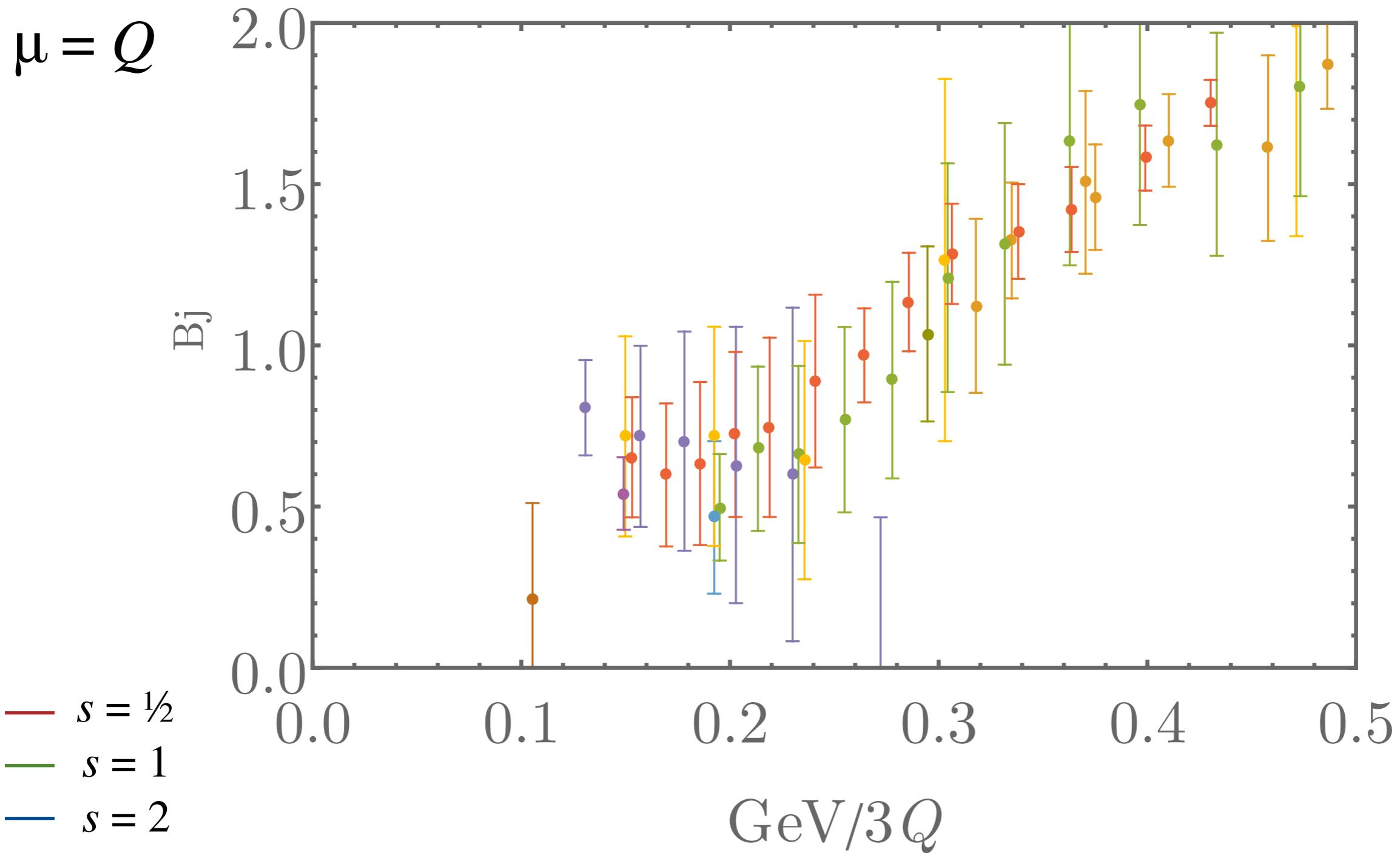
Bjorken Sum Rule's Horrible Series ($p = 2$)



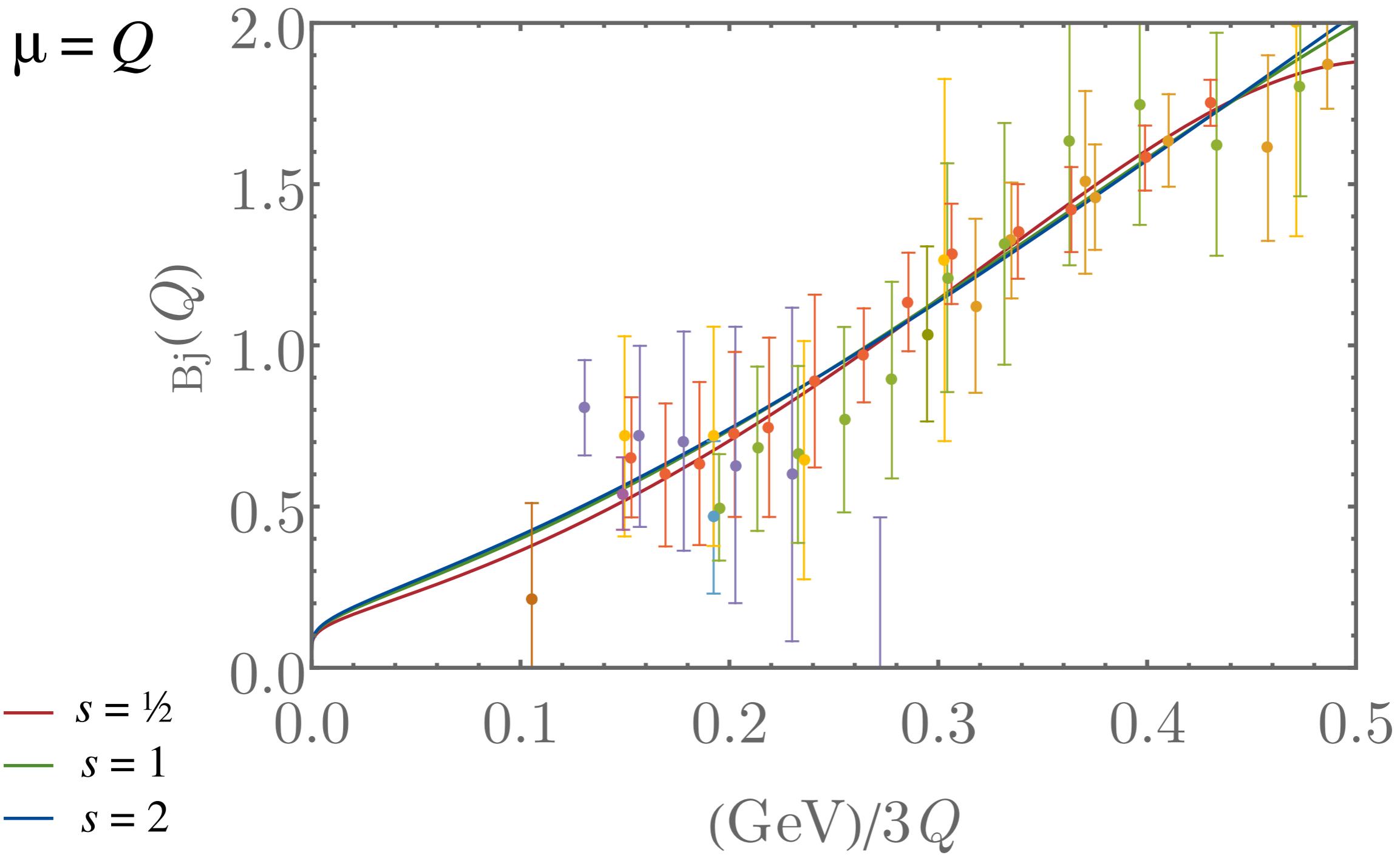
Bjorken Sum Rule's MRS Series



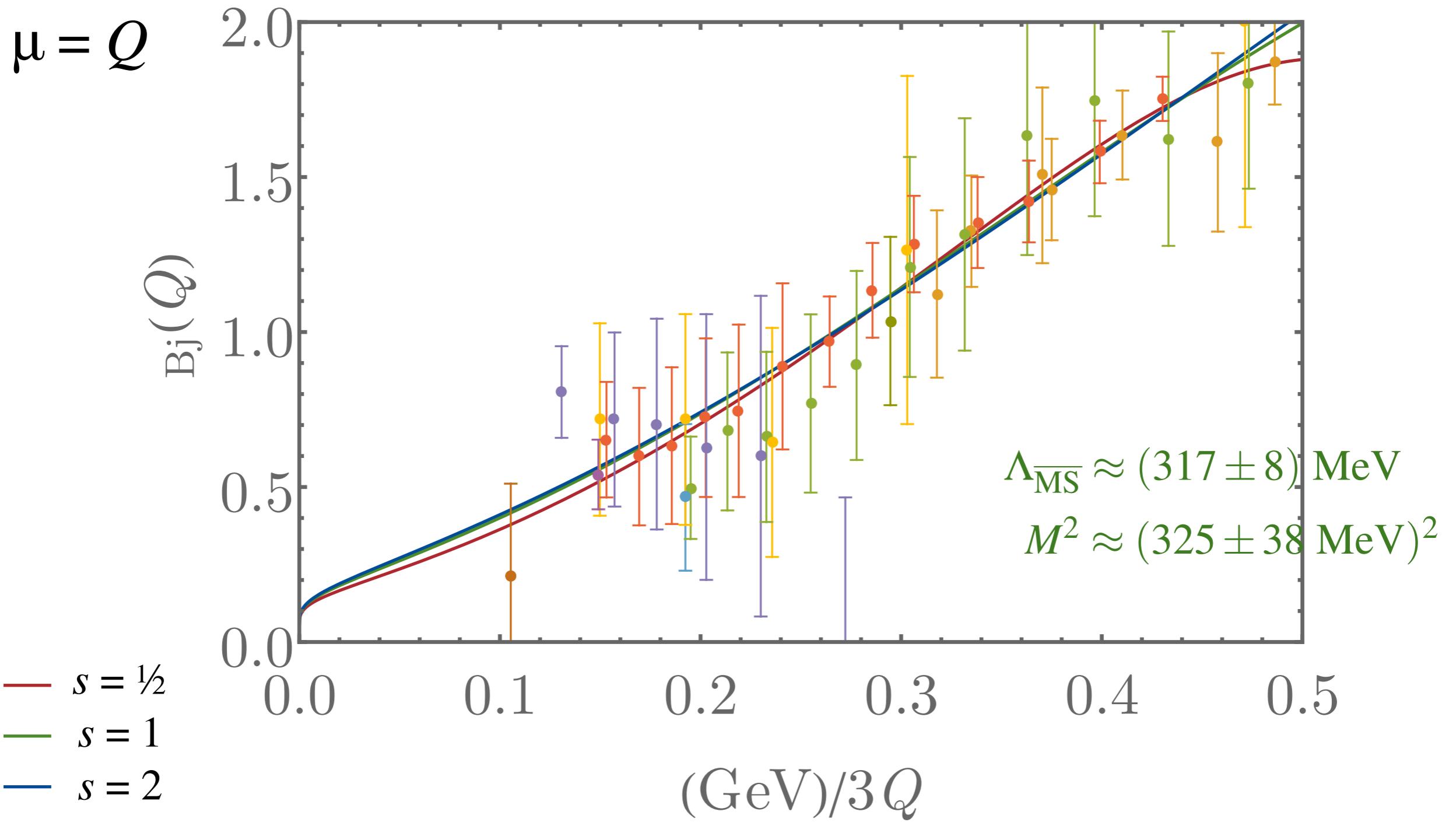
Bjorken Sum Rule Experimental Data



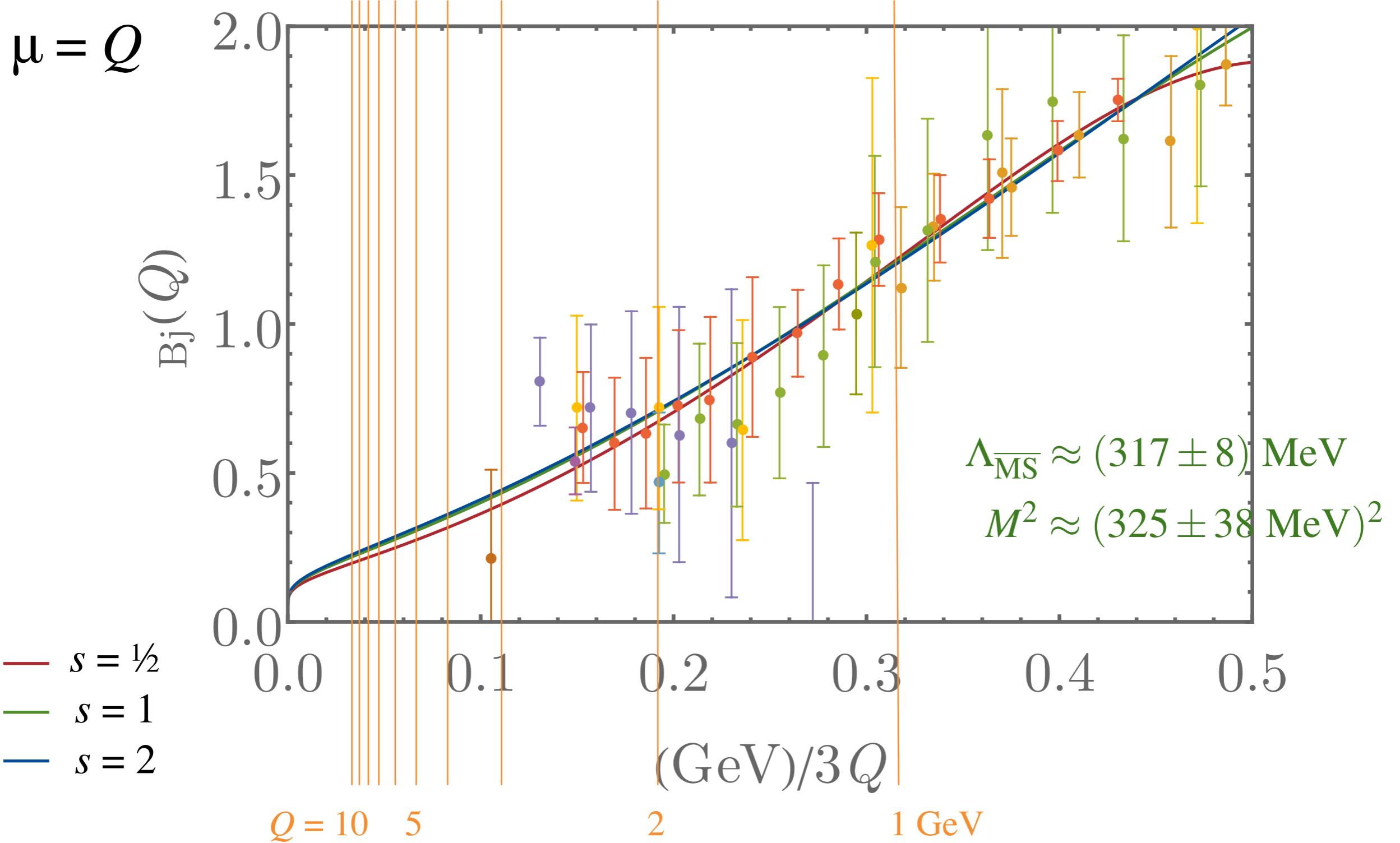
Bjorken Sum Rule Two-Parameter Fits



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Two or More Power Corrections

Next Approximation

- If there is another power correction with $p_2 > p_1 = p$, then f_k will grow in a **similar** but **slower** fashion.
- Apply previous procedure with p_1 ; then repeat with p_2 :

$$f^{\{p_1, p_2\}} \equiv \mathbf{Q}^{(p_2)} \cdot \mathbf{Q}^{(p_1)} \cdot \mathbf{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{Q}^{(p_1)^{-1}} \cdot \mathbf{Q}^{(p_2)^{-1}} \cdot f^{\{p_1, p_2\}}$$

$$= \left[\frac{p_2}{p_2 - p_1} \mathbf{Q}^{(p_1)^{-1}} + \frac{p_1}{p_1 - p_2} \mathbf{Q}^{(p_2)^{-1}} \right] \cdot f^{\{p_1, p_2\}}$$

- Extension to any sequence of higher powers by induction.

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- MRS formulas for growth and normalization both follow from RGE and hold exactly at low orders.
- Generalized to any sequence of power corrections \leftrightarrow dominant, subdominant, sub-subdominant, ... growth.
- Scale dependence of total is mild: even though cancellation depends on $s = \frac{1}{2}, 1, 2$.
- MRS shape not like leading power, when latter matters.
- Standard to sum logarithms; let's sum factorials too!

Thank you for your attention

Questions?