Meson masses in external magnetic fields with HISQ fermions

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Motivation

- **NJL model and GL approach:**

  - magnetic field led to a vacuum instability ⟶ superconductivity

  - superconducting states signaled by condensation of charged ρ-meson.

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- **Vafa-Witten theorem and QCD inequality:**

  - charged ρ-meson cannot condensate in QCD

  - $m_{\rho^{\pm}} \geq \left(m_{\pi_u^0} + m_{\pi_d^0} \right)/2$ Y. Hidaka and A. Yamamoto Phys. Rev. D 87, 094502 (2013)

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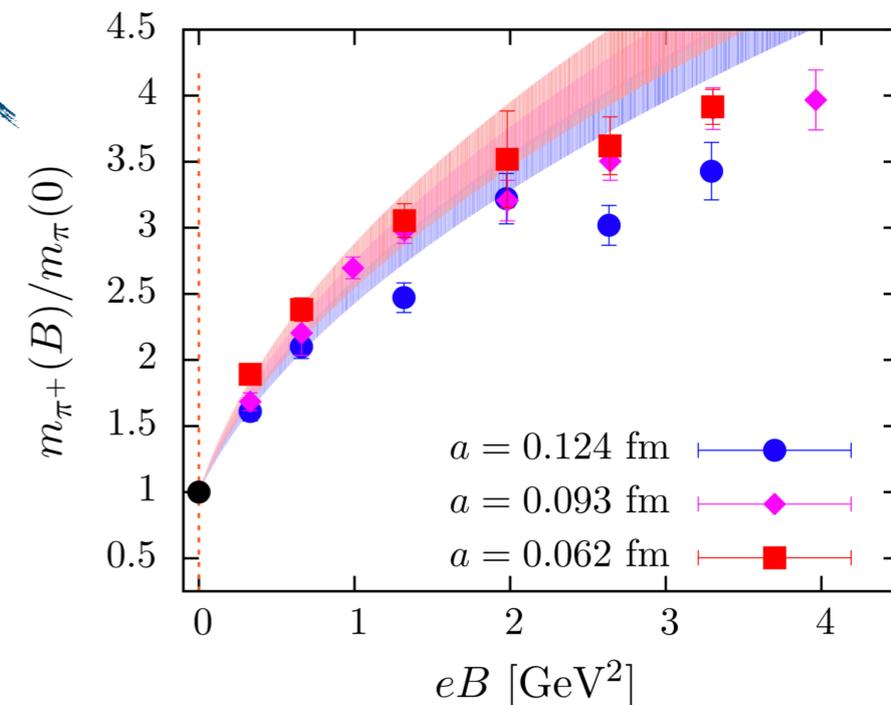
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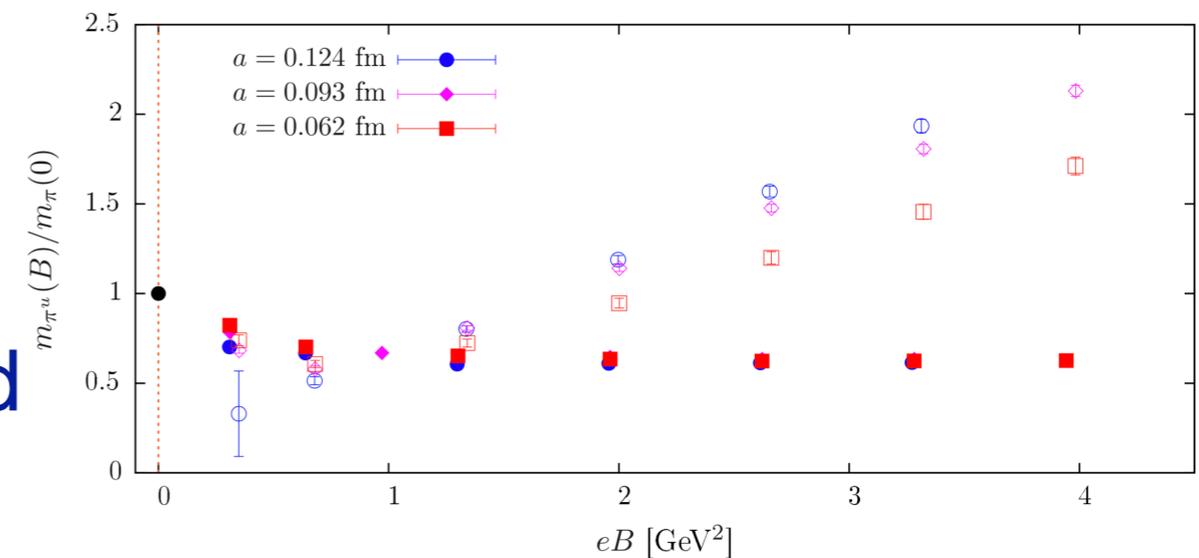
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Lattice Setup

- (2+1) flavor Dynamical HISQ fermion at T=0
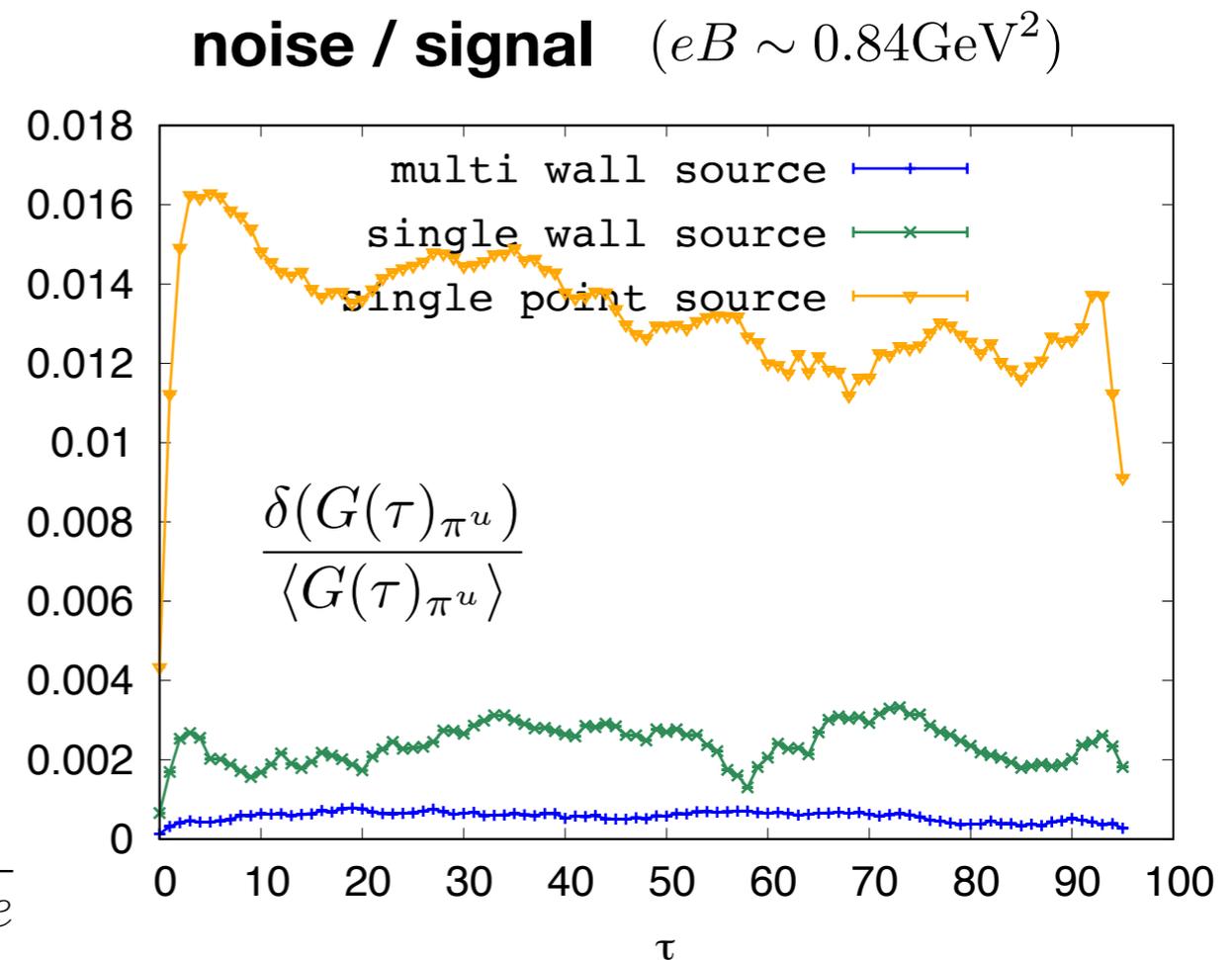
- Lattice size: 32^3 x 96, a^{-1} = 1.6852 GeV

- m_π = 230 MeV

- $qB = a^{-2} \dfrac{2\pi N_b}{N_x N_y}$ with $\begin{cases} 0 \leq N_b \leq \frac{N_x N_y}{4} \\ N_b \in \mathbb{Z} \end{cases}$

$N_b = 0, 4, 8, 16, 24, 32, 48, 64$ ($0 < |eB| \lesssim 3$ GeV^2)

Correlator

take π_u^0 and π^+ as example

- Correlators:

π^+ $\qquad \left\langle O_{\pi^+}(n) \overline{O}_{\pi^+}(n') \right\rangle_F$ **connected part**

π^0 $\qquad \left\langle O_{\pi^0}(n) \overline{O}_{\pi^0}(n') \right\rangle_F$ + **disconnected part**

- Staggered correlators:

$$G(\tau) = -\sum_n \zeta(\vec{n}) \, \mathrm{Tr}\left[M^{-1\dagger}(n,0) M^{-1}(n,0) \right]$$

$\zeta(\vec{n})$ is the phase factor characterizing Dirac and flavor index of staggered fermion

Reduction of noise ratio

- point, corner wall, multiple corner wall sources

➡ corner wall source : source at the origin of every 2^4 cube on particular time slice (improved the quality of signal by around 20% compared to single point source)

➡ multiple corner wall sources : put 12 sources at (0,0,0,0) , (0,0,0,8), (0,0,0,16)... (0,0,0,88)

➡ improved the signal around $\sqrt{\# \ of \ source}$ times better than the single corner wall source

noise / signal $(eB \sim 0.84\mathrm{GeV}^2)$

$$\frac{\delta(G(\tau)_{\pi^u})}{\langle G(\tau)_{\pi^u}\rangle}$$

multi wall source
single wall source
single point source

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Neutral Pseudo-scalar Correlators

(take π_u^0 as example)

$$\frac{G(n_\tau)}{G(n_\tau + 1)} = \frac{\cosh(m_{\text{eff}}(n_\tau - N_\tau/2))}{\cosh(m_{\text{eff}}(n_\tau + 1 - N_\tau/2))}$$
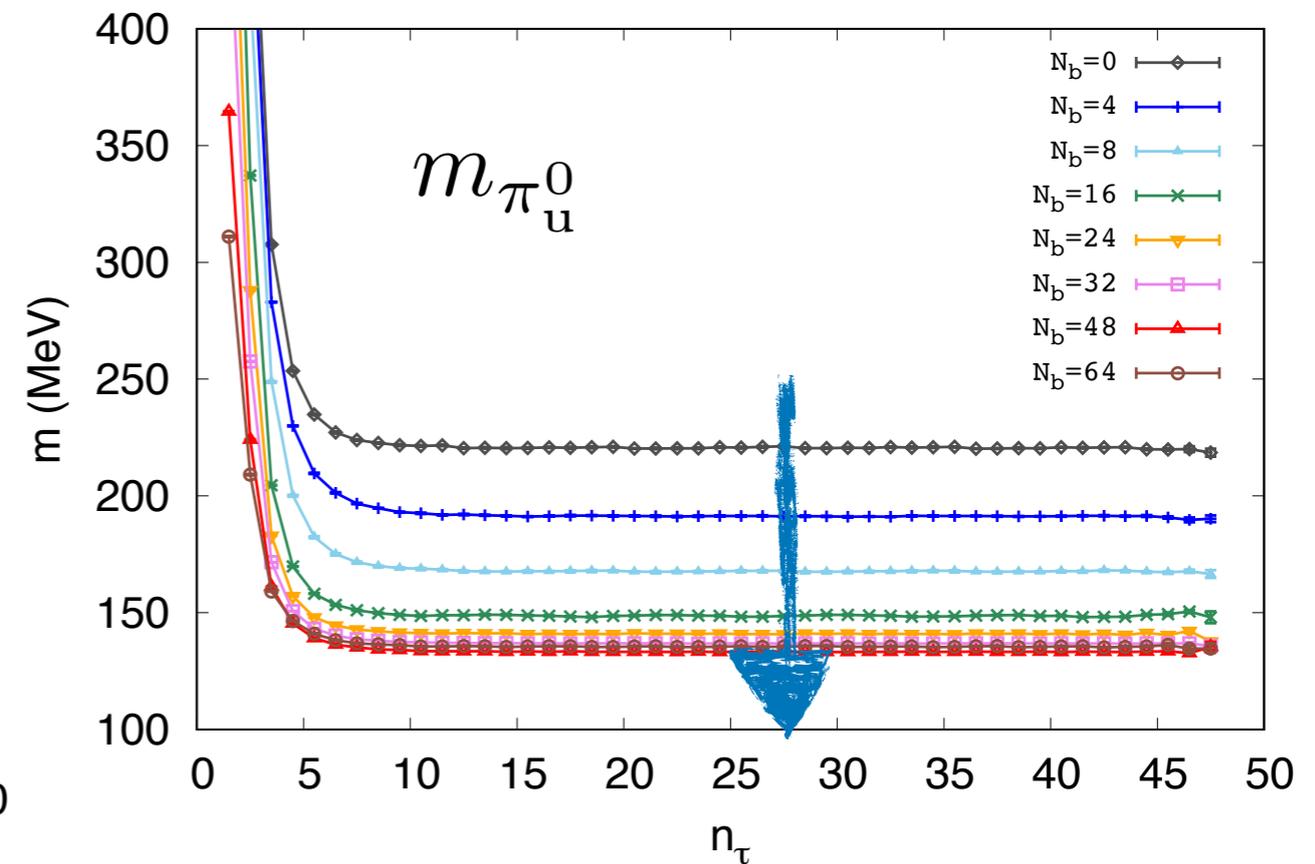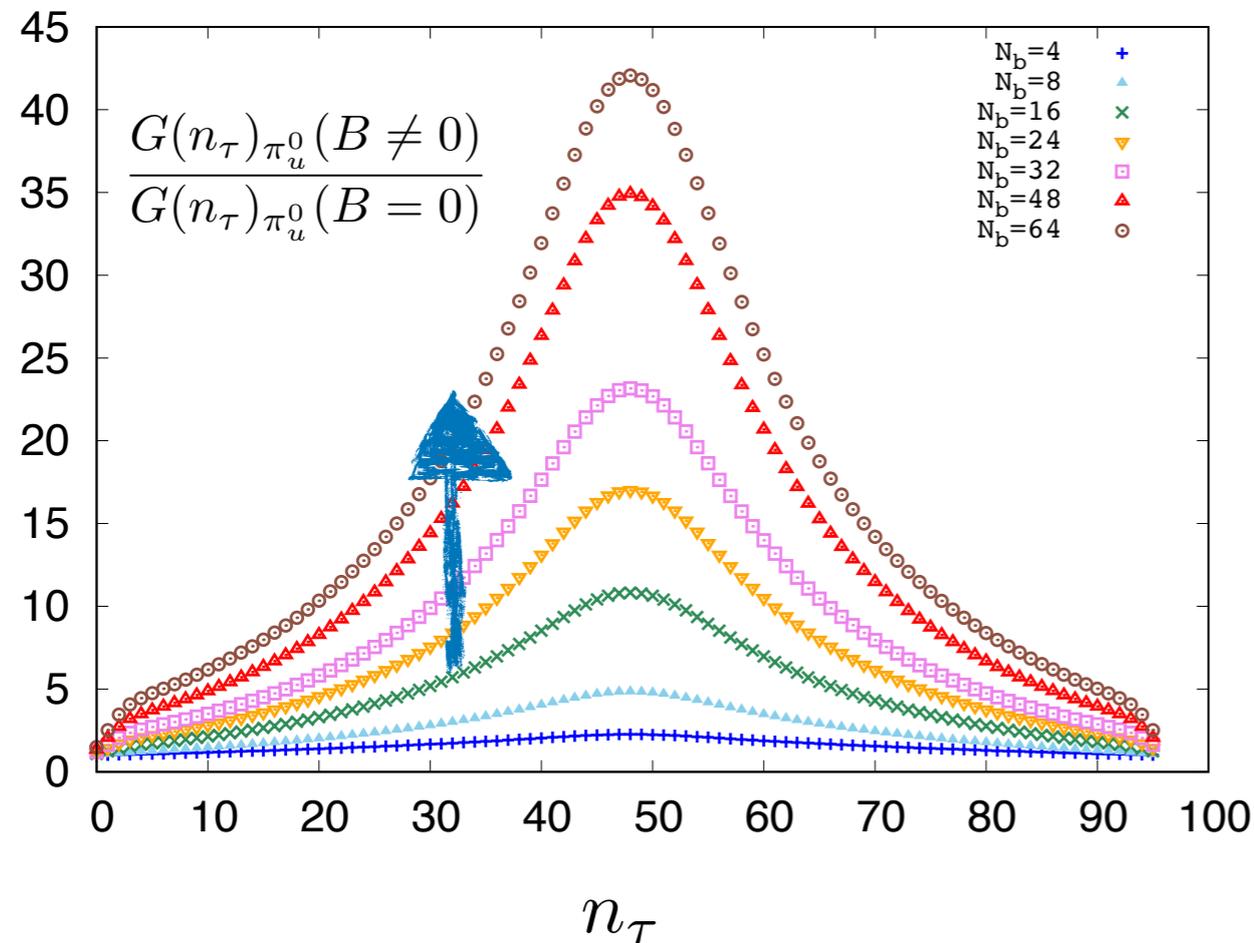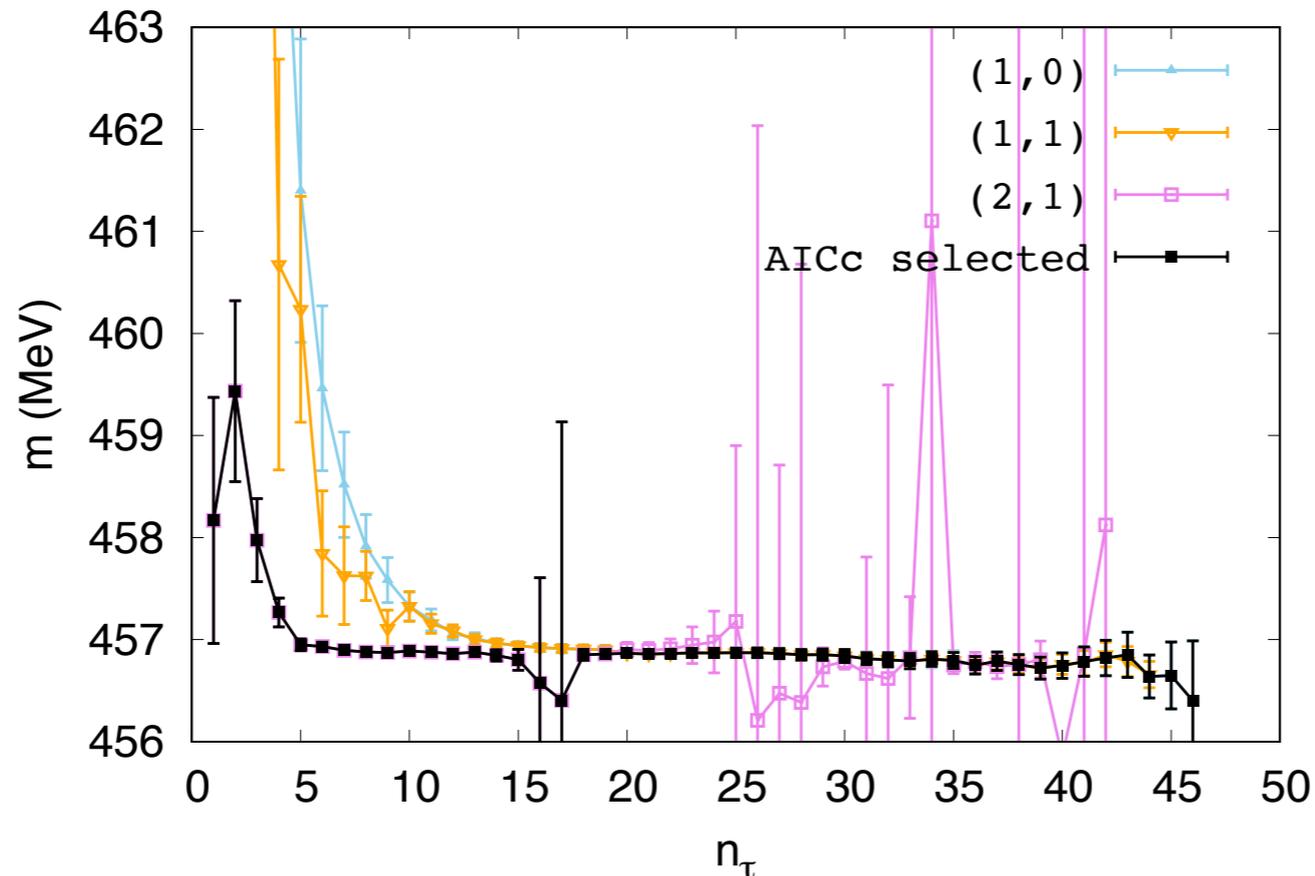

- $G(\tau)_{\pi_u^0}$ increases as the magnetic field grows

- ground state effective mass tends to decrease as magnetic field grows

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Correlator Fitting

with (# of non-oscillating states, # of oscillating states)
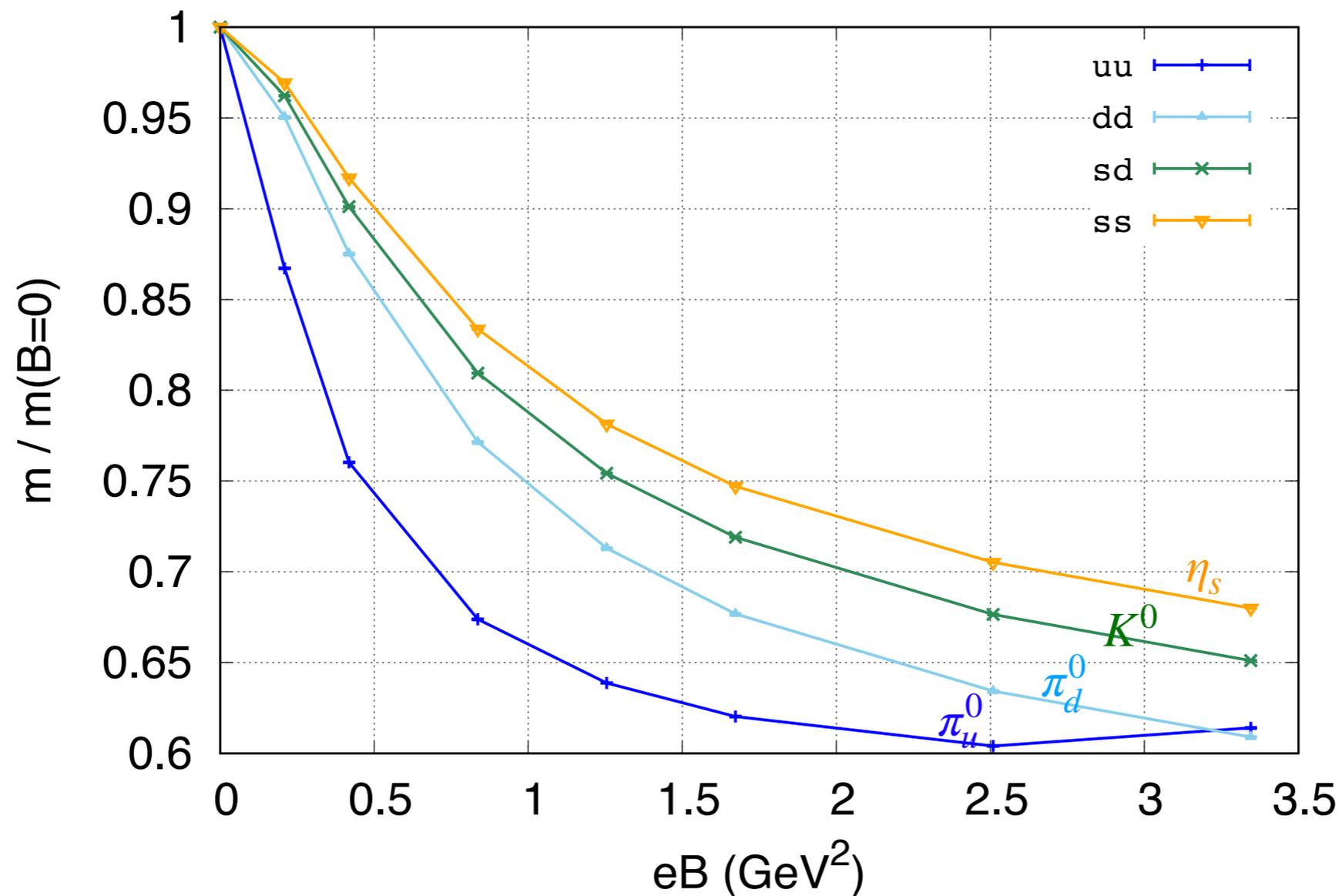

- fit ansatz for different number of states

$$G_{\text{fit}}(n_\tau) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_s,no} A_{no,i} \exp\left(-m_{no,i} n_\tau\right) - (-1)^{n_\tau} \sum_{i=0}^{N_s,osc} A_{osc,i} \exp\left(-m_{osc,i} n_\tau\right)$$

- select the fit with lowest AICc   Akaike 1974 Cavanaugh 1997

- use Gaussian bootstrapping to estimate final value and error

Summary of Neutral PS Particle Mass

- Neutral PS particles' masses decrease as eB grows

- Neutral PS particles' masses saturate at large eB

- the lighter quark has stronger influence of eB
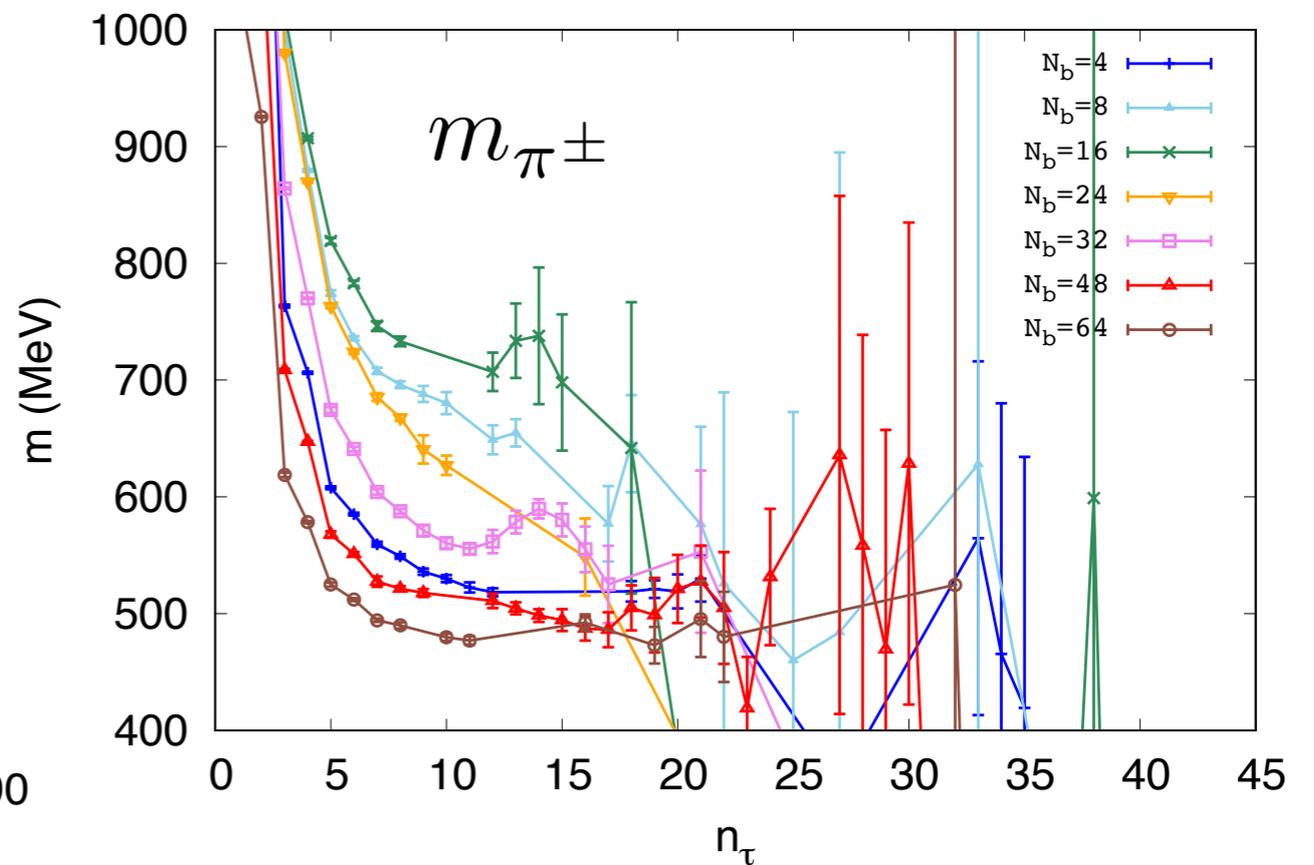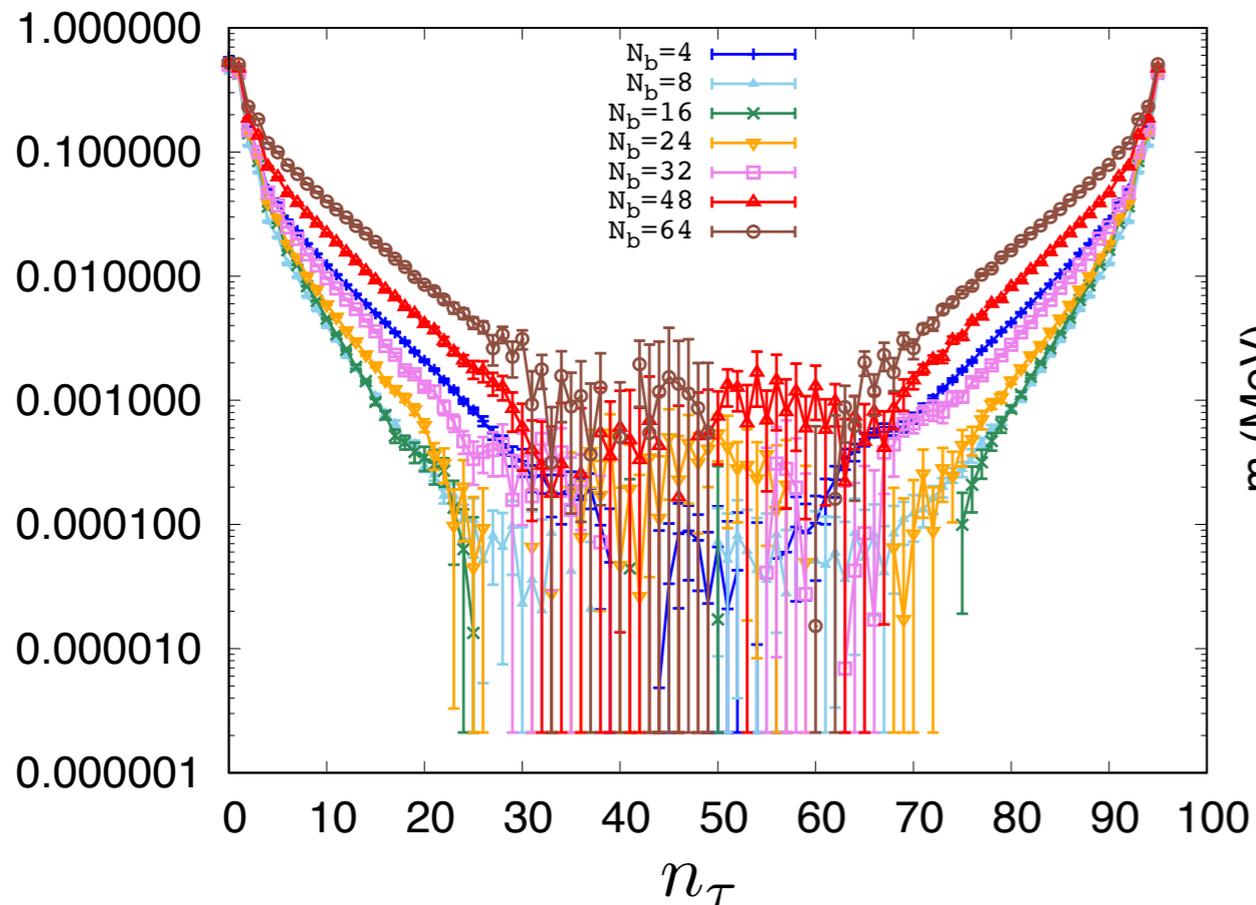
Neutral Pseudo-scalar Particle Mass

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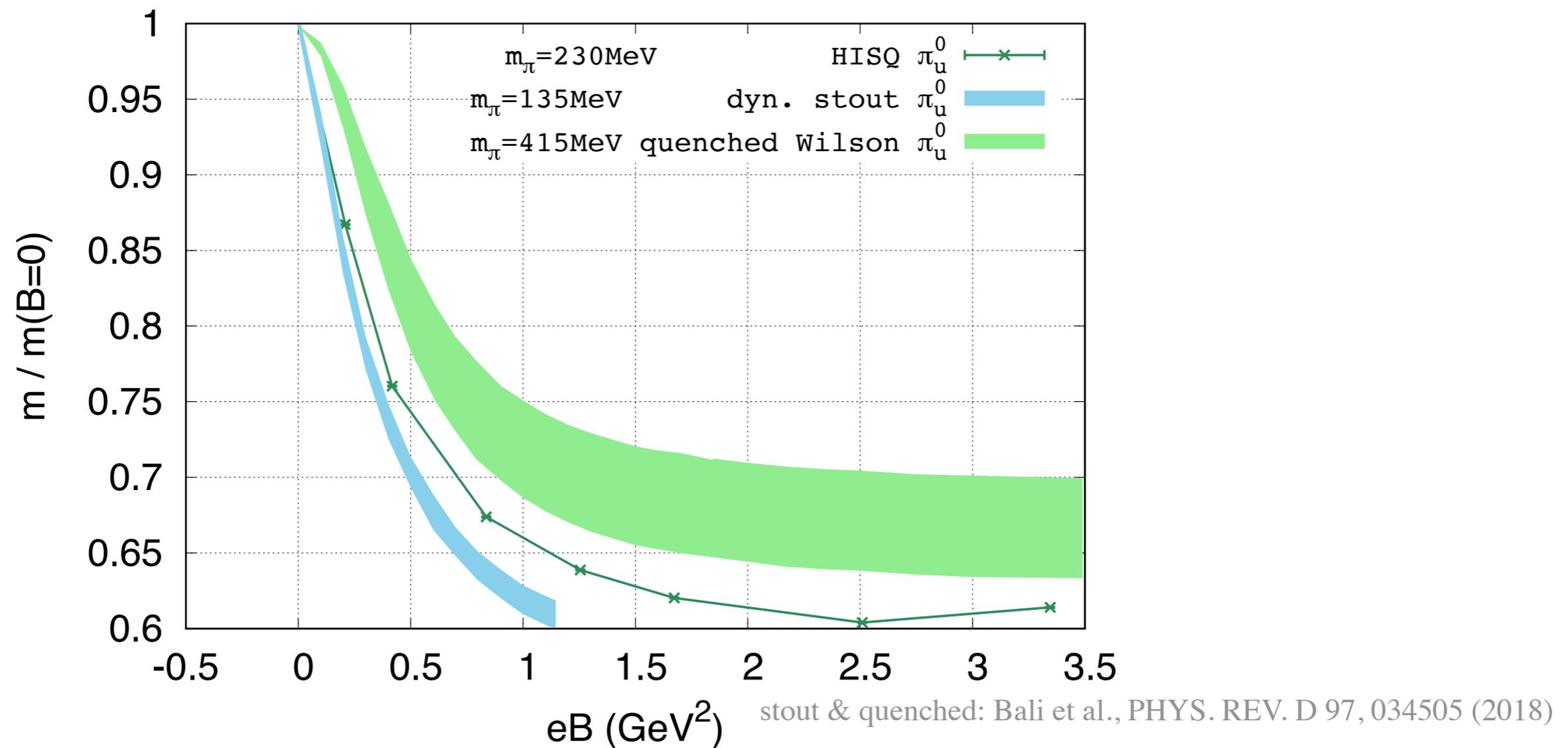
- general tendency agreed with each other

- quark loop contribution

Charged Pseudo-scalar Correlators

$$\frac{G(n_\tau)_{\pi^\pm}(B \neq 0)}{G(n_\tau)_{\pi^\pm}(B = 0)}$$

$$G(n_\tau) \approx A_{no}\exp\left(-m_{no}n_\tau\right) - (-1)^{n_\tau}A_{osc}\exp\left(-m_{osc}n_\tau\right)$$
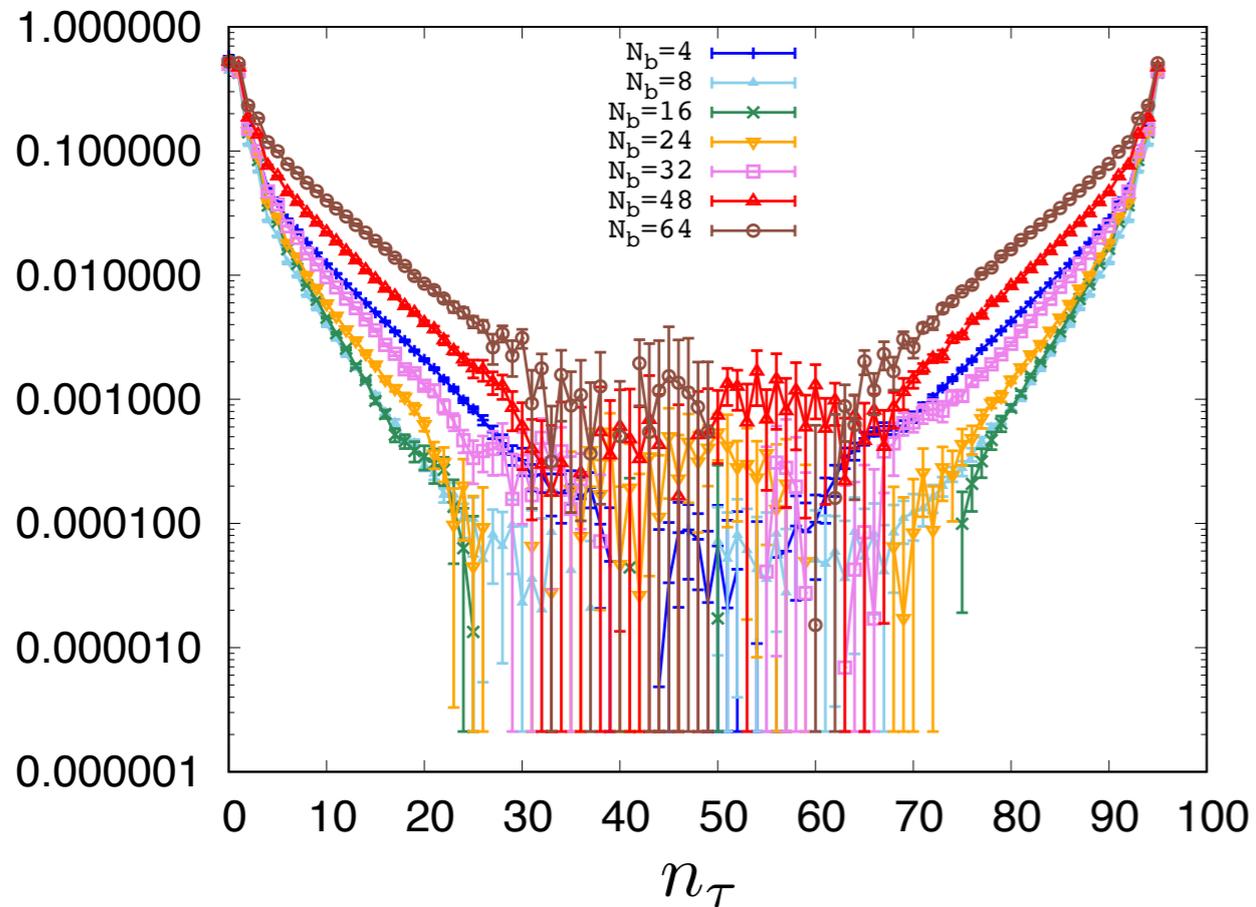

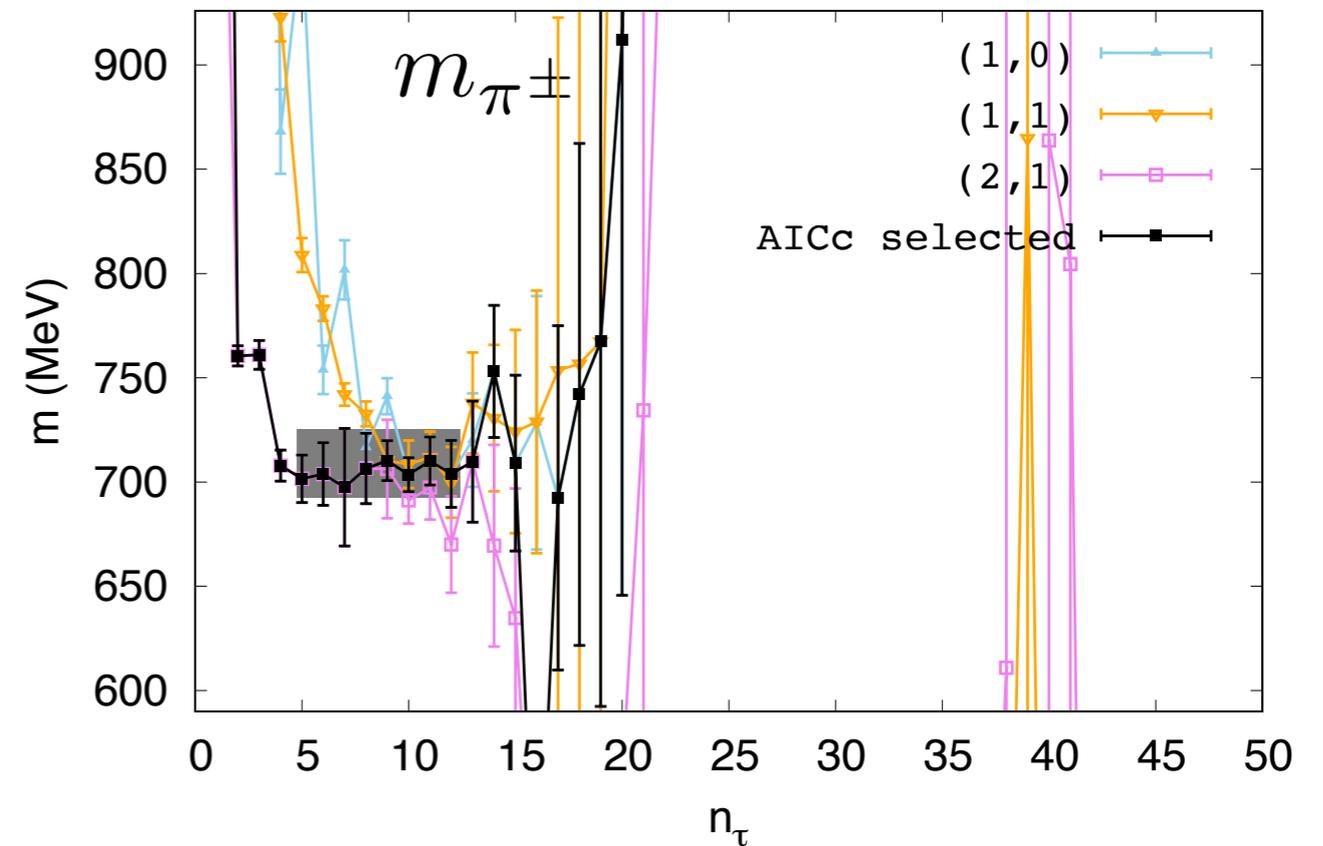
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correlator fitting result

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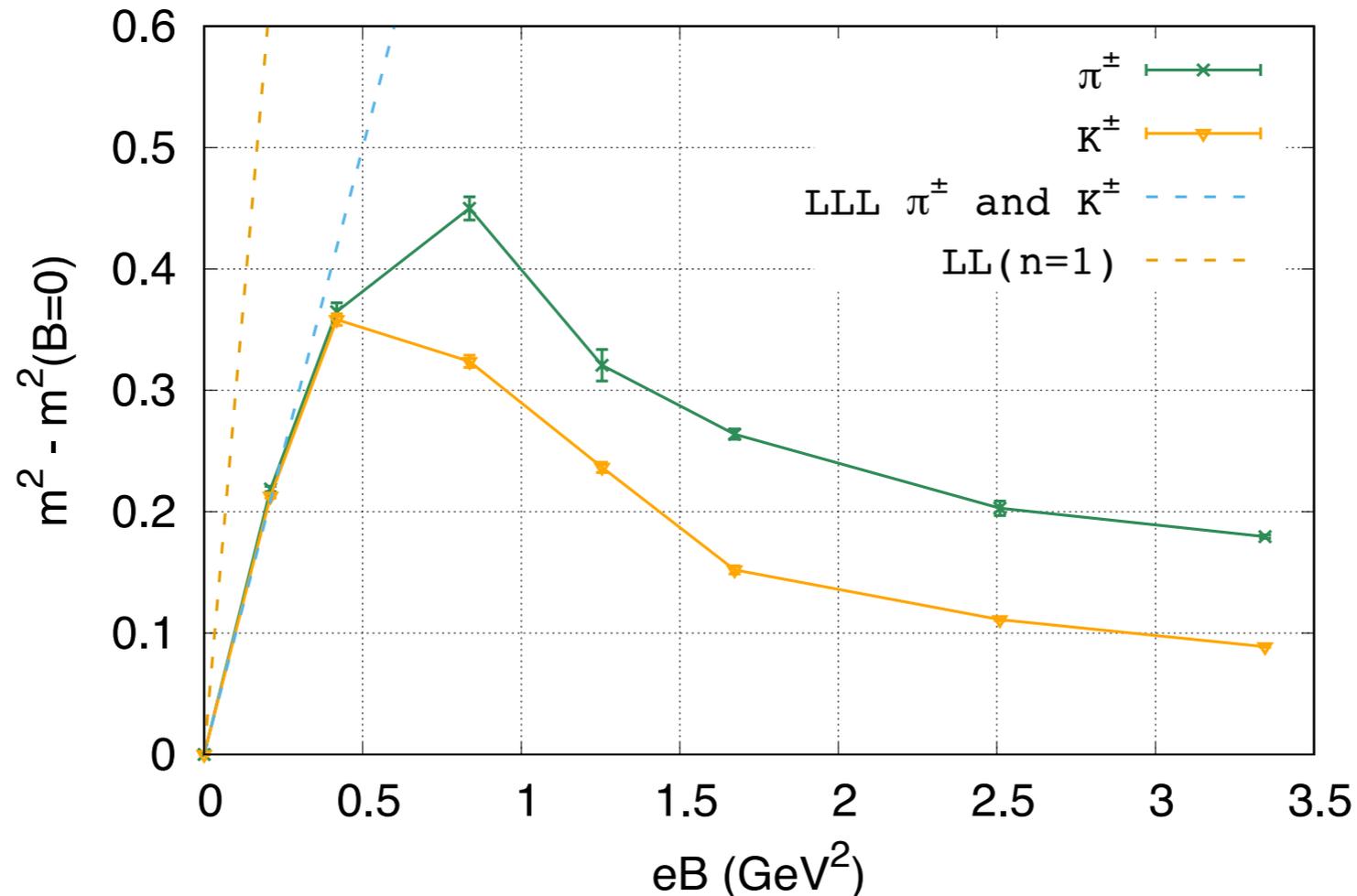
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Charged Pseudo-scalar Particle Mass

$$LLL\ approx: E^2 = p_z^2 + 2n|qB| + m^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad m_{\pi^\pm}^2(B) = m_{\pi^\pm}^2(B=0) + eB$$

- In very small eB regime, the mass of charged PS particle roughly agreed with the mesonic LLL approximation.

- As magnetic field grows larger, the mass of charged PS particle start decreasing.

ϱ-meson condensation
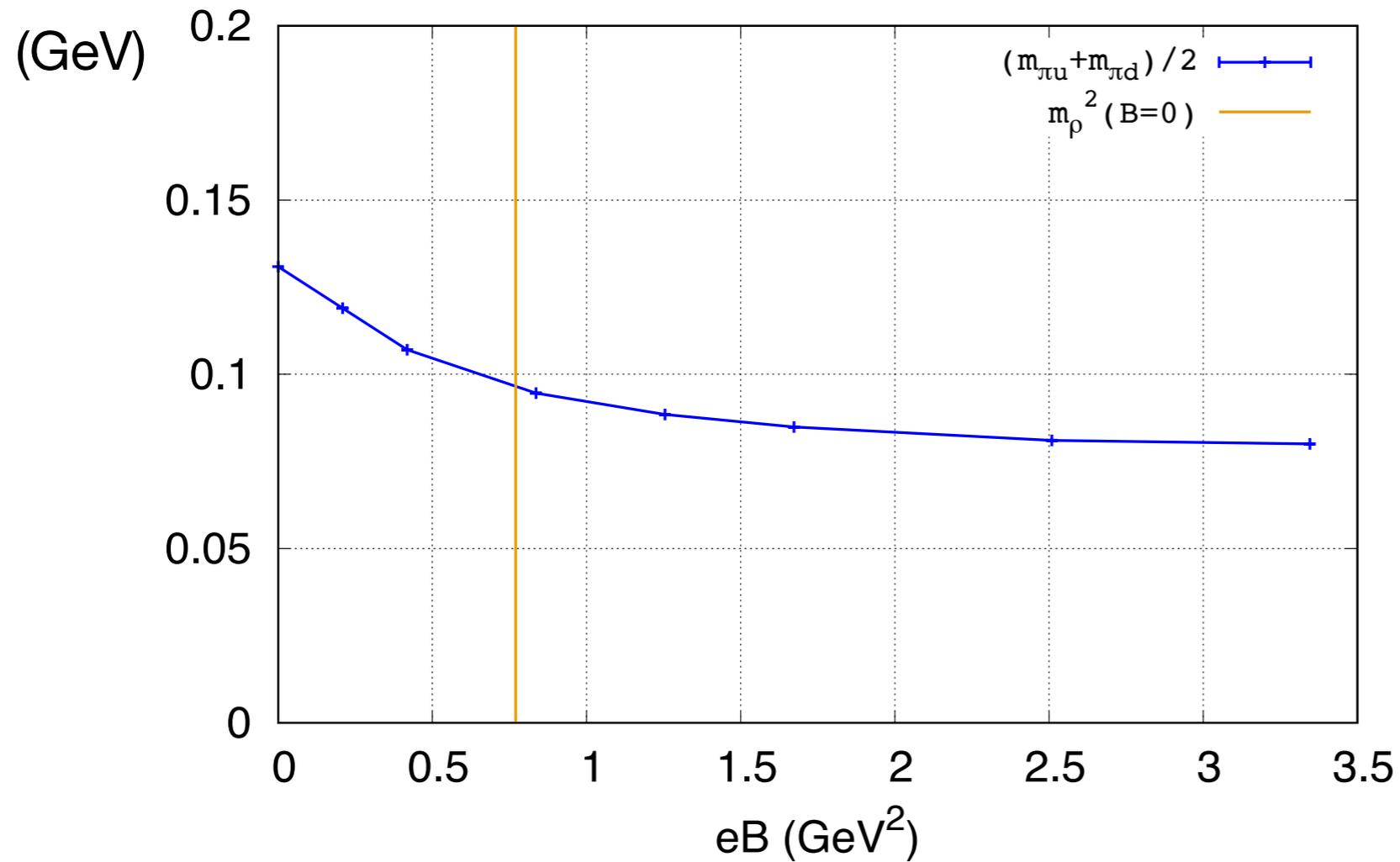
- QCD inequality

$$m_{\rho^\pm} \geq \left(m_{\pi_u^0} + m_{\pi_d^0} \right) / 2$$

- NJL model

$$eB_c \sim m_\rho^2(B = 0)$$

📌 no ρ-meson condensation observed

Summary and Outlook

- Masses of neutral pseudo-scalar particles decrease as the magnetic field grows but saturate at large eB.

  ➡ Neutral particles interact with magnetic field.

- Charged PS particle showed non-monotonous behavior as eB increases.

- According to the mass relation between $\rho^{\pm}$ - meson with π_u^0 and π_d^0, $\rho^{\pm}$ meson cannot condensate.

  ➡ Superconductivity was not observed in current simulations.

‣ Try Z(2) Wall source to further improve the signal.

‣ Investigate vector particle masses and mixing of π and ρ.

Phase factor $\zeta(\vec{n})$ for staggered fermion

$$G\left(\tau\right) = -\sum_{n} \zeta(\vec{n}) \operatorname{Tr}\left[D^{-1\dagger}(n,0)D^{-1}(n,0)\right]$$

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Phasefactor $\zeta(x)$	Γ non-osc.	osc.	$\mathcal{J}^{\mathcal{PC}}$ non-osc.	osc.	Particles non-osc.	osc.	Channel
$(-1)^{x+y+z}$	$\gamma_4\gamma_5$	$\mathbb{1}$	0^{-+}	0^{++}	π	a_0	M_1
$+1$	γ_5	γ_4	0^{-+}	0^{+-}	π	-	M_2
$(-1)^{y+z}$	$\gamma_1\gamma_4$	$\gamma_1\gamma_5$	1^{--}	1^{++}	ρ_2	a_1	M_3
$(-1)^{x+z}$	$\gamma_2\gamma_4$	$\gamma_2\gamma_5$	1^{--}	1^{++}	ρ_2	a_1	M_4
$(-1)^{x+y}$	$\gamma_3\gamma_4$	$\gamma_3\gamma_5$	1^{--}	1^{++}	ρ_2	a_1	M_5
$(-1)^{x}$	γ_1	$\gamma_2\gamma_3$	1^{--}	1^{+-}	ρ_1	b_1	M_6
$(-1)^{y}$	γ_2	$\gamma_1\gamma_3$	1^{--}	1^{+-}	ρ_1	b_1	M_7
$(-1)^{z}$	γ_3	$\gamma_1\gamma_2$	1^{--}	1^{+-}	ρ_1	b_1	M_8