



Analytic structure of scattering amplitudes

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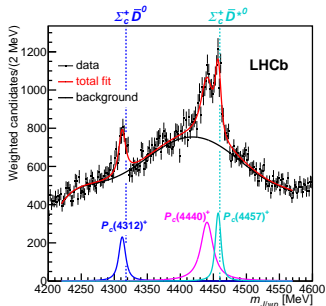
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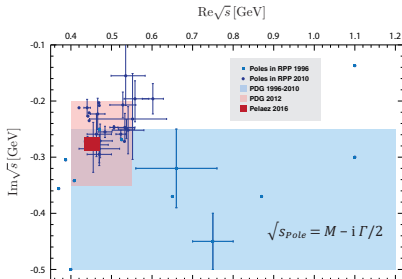
Resonances:

bumps in cross sections \Leftrightarrow
poles in scattering amplitudes
(complex momentum plane)



LHCb pentaquarks

Aaij, PRL 112 (2019) 222001



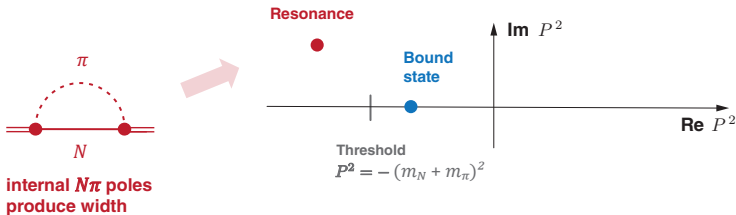
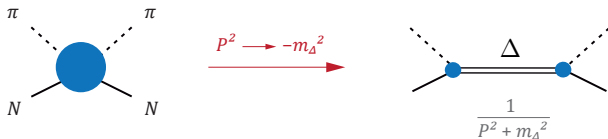
Pelaez, Phys. Rept. 658 (2016) 1

$\sigma/f_0(500)$: resonance in $\pi\pi$ scattering

- PDG 2010: “ $f_0(600)$ ”
 $\sqrt{s} \sim (400\dots1200) - i(250\dots500)$ MeV
- PDG 2012: “ $f_0(500)$ ”
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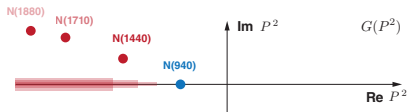
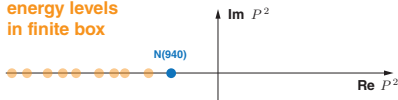


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Lattice QCD:

$$\langle \dots \rangle = \int \mathcal{D}[\psi, \bar{\psi}, A] e^{-S[\psi, \bar{\psi}, A]} (\dots)$$

energy levels
in finite box



- **Finite volume:**
bound states & scattering states



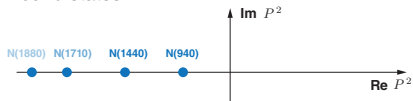
vary volume,
Luescher method

- **Infinite volume:**
Bound states, resonances,
branch cuts

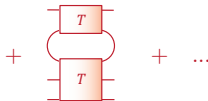
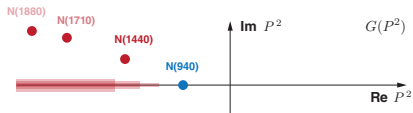
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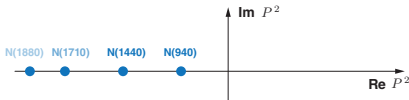
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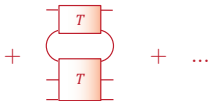
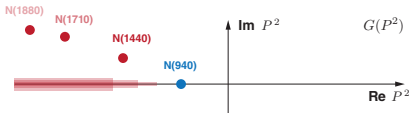
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Both **bound states** and **resonances** must be generated from quark-gluon structure!



Analogue for $\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi$:

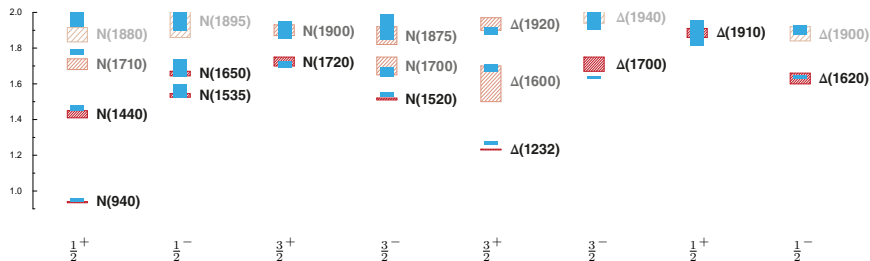
[Williams, 1804.11161 \[hep-ph\]](#),
[Miramontes, Sanchis-Alepuz, 1906.06227 \[hep-ph\]](#)

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Baryon excitation spectrum:

Review: GE, Sanchis-Alepuz, Williams, Alkofer, Fischer,
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M [GeV]



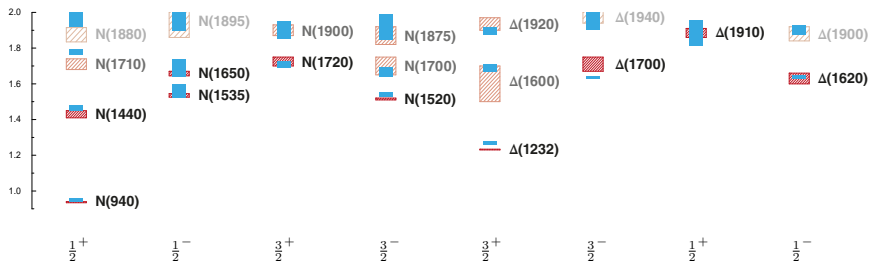
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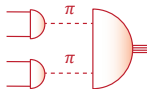


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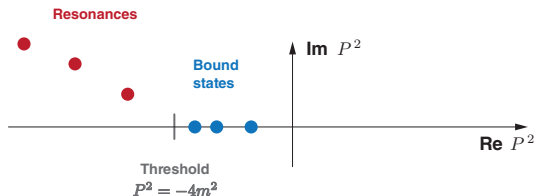
- **Tetraquarks are resonances:** internal poles emerge dynamically!

$\sigma, \kappa, a_0/f_0$: GE, Fischer, Heupel, PLB 753 (2016)

$X(3872)$: Wallbott, GE, Fischer, PRD 100 (2019)



Questions



- Instead of extracting resonance information from spacelike data ($P^2 > 0$), can we calculate them directly in **complex plane**?
- On the **second Riemann sheet**?
- From **four-dimensional, Lorentz-invariant** integral equations?
- Related: **Euclidean vs. Minkowski space** – what's the deal?

Euclidean vs. Minkowski

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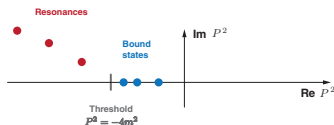
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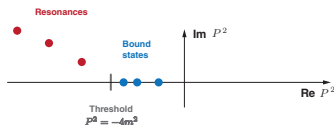
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$$E = M$$

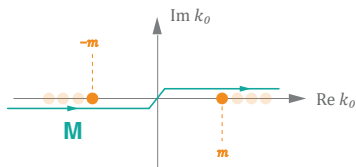
$\neq E'$... “naive Euclidean”

“We need XY in Minkowski space”

“We calculate XY directly in Minkowski space”

“The Euclidean calculation is wrong”

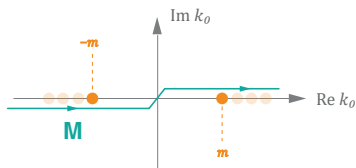
Textbook example



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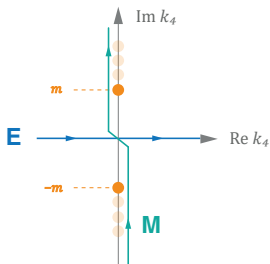
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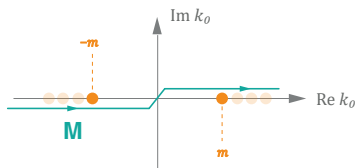
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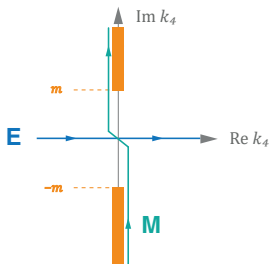
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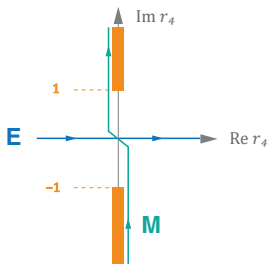
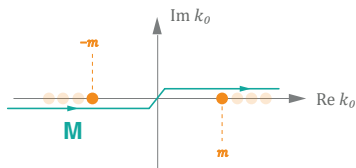
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- Now exchange $d^3 k \leftrightarrow dk_4$ integration:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_4 \int d^3 k \frac{1}{k_4^2 + \omega^2} \dots$$

has **cuts** instead of poles
 \rightarrow avoid cuts in k_4 integration

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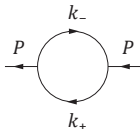
- Make everything dimensionless: $r^\mu = k_E^\mu / m$
- For manifest Lorentz invariance: $k_E^2, d\Omega$ instead of k_4, d^3k :

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_E^2 \int d\Omega \frac{1}{k_E^2 + m^2} \dots \quad k_E^2 = -k^2$$

→ avoid cuts in k_E^2 integration

Two poles

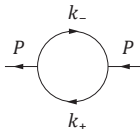
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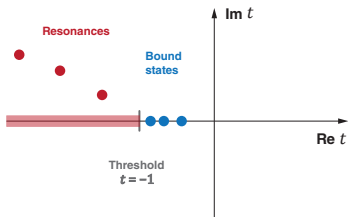
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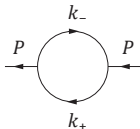
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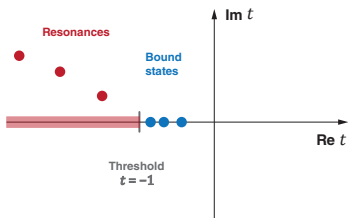
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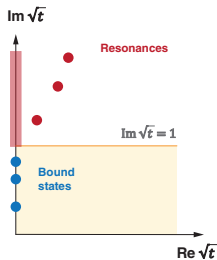


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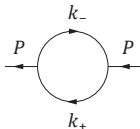


Simpler in \sqrt{t} :



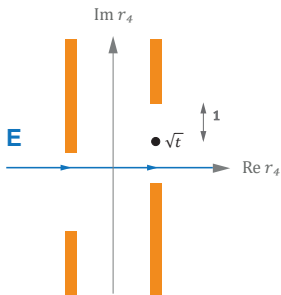
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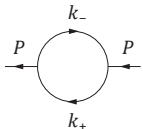
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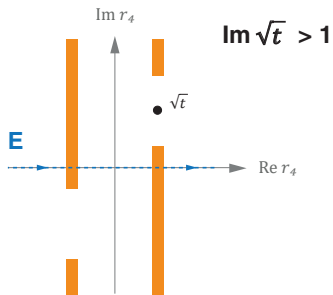
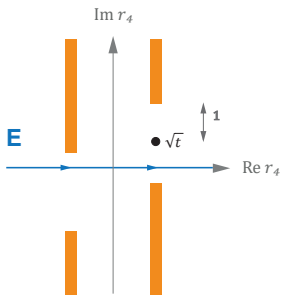
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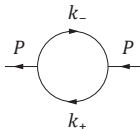
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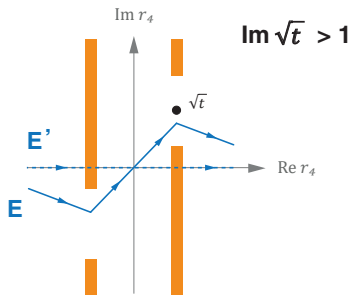
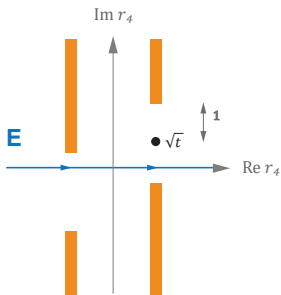
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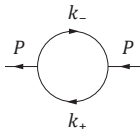
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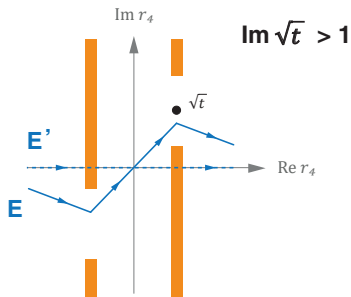
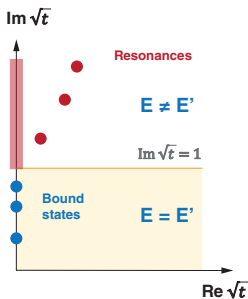


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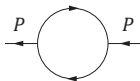


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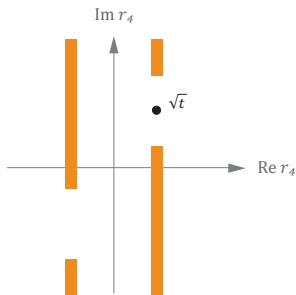


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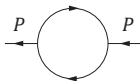


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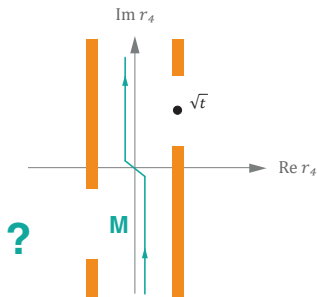


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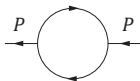


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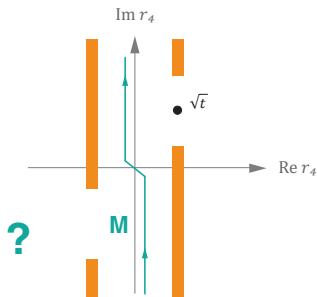


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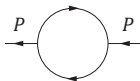
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-iE_n T} |n\rangle \langle n|\Omega\rangle \xrightarrow{T \rightarrow \infty(1-i\epsilon)} e^{-iE_0 T} |0\rangle \langle 0|\Omega\rangle$$

$$\int_{-\infty(1+i\epsilon)}^{\infty(1+i\epsilon)} dk_0 \Leftrightarrow \int_{-\infty(i-\epsilon)}^{\infty(i-\epsilon)} dr_4$$



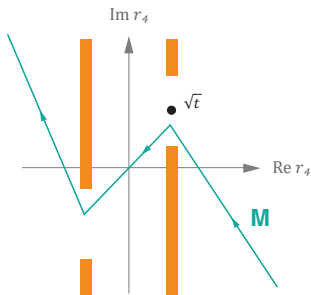
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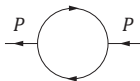
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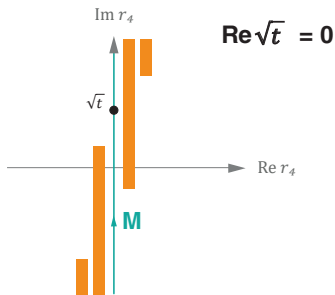
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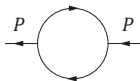
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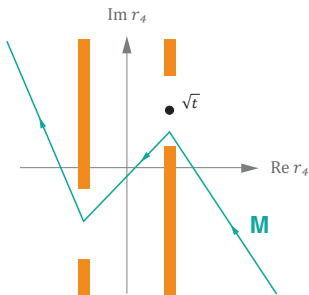
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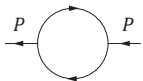
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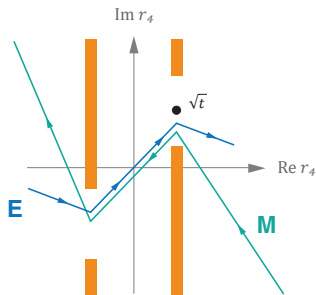
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So:

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$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_4 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d^3\mathbf{k}$... avoid cuts by numerical **contour deformation**

Suggestions for better wording:

~~"We need XY in Minkowski space"~~

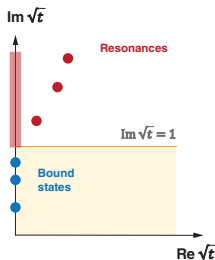
~~"We calculate XY directly in Minkowski space"~~

... in the full kinematical domain

... above threshold

... using residue calculus

The *naive* Euclidean calculation ~~is~~ *would be* wrong
in certain kinematical regions (if anyone actually did that)



So:

E = M

$\int d^3k \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_4$... close contours analytically, pick up **residues**

$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_4 \int d^3k$... avoid cuts by numerical **contour deformation**

Suggestions for better wording:

"We need XY ~~in Minkowski space~~"

"We calculate XY ~~directly in Minkowski space~~"

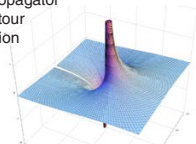
... in the full kinematical domain

... above threshold

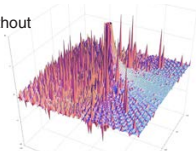
... using residue calculus

The *naive* Euclidean calculation ~~is~~ *would be* wrong
in certain kinematical regions (if anyone actually did that)

Quark propagator
with contour
deformation



... and without



Contour deformations

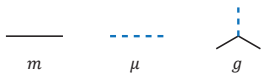
2-point functions:

- Fermion propagator in QED3
[Maris, PRD 52 \(1995\)](#)
- Quark propagator in QCD
[GE, PhD thesis \(2009\)](#)
- Gluon and ghost propagators in QCD
[Strauss, Fischer, Kellermann, PRL 109 \(2012\)](#)
- Glueball correlator in YM
[Windisch, Alkofer, Haase, Liebmann, CPC 184 \(2013\)](#),
[Windisch, Huber, Alkofer, PRD 87 \(2013\)](#)
- Finite-T spectral functions from FRG
[Pawlowski, Strodthoff, Wink, PRD 98 \(2018\)](#)

3-point functions:

- Rare pion decay $\pi^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$
[Weil, GE, Fischer, Williams, PRD 96 \(2017\)](#)
- Rho-meson decay
[Williams, 1804.11161](#)
- Quark-photon vertex
[Miramontes, Sanchis-Alepuz, 1906.06227](#)

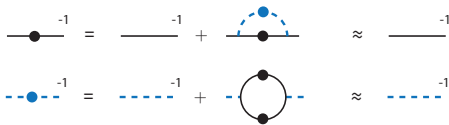
Scalar system



2 parameters:

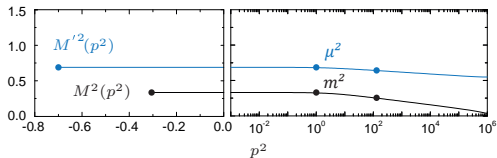
$$c = \frac{g^2}{(4\pi m)^2}, \quad \beta = \frac{\mu}{m}$$

Dressed propagators do not change much:



Tree-level propagators ok –
at least for small coupling

Ahlig, Alkofer, Ann. Phys. 275 (1999)

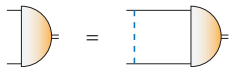


$$D(p^2) = \frac{1}{Z} \frac{1}{p^2 + M^2(p^2)}$$

$$D'(p^2) = \frac{1}{Z'} \frac{1}{p^2 + M'^2(p^2)}$$

Bound states & resonances

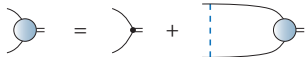
- **Homogeneous BSE:** $\psi = KG_0\psi$



→ **BS amplitude:**
eigenvalue spectrum of KG_0
for given J^{PC} channel

Wick 1954,
Cutkosky 1954,
Nakanishi 1969, ...

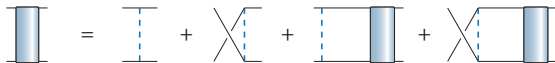
- **Inhomogeneous BSE:** $\Gamma = \Gamma_0 + KG_0\Gamma$



→ **Vertex:** bound-state
and resonance poles
for given J^{PC} channel

$$\Gamma = \frac{\Gamma_0}{1 - KG_0}$$

- **Scattering equation:** $T = K + KG_0T$

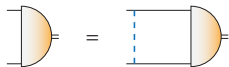


→ **Scattering amplitude,**
all singularities

$$T = \frac{K}{1 - KG_0}$$

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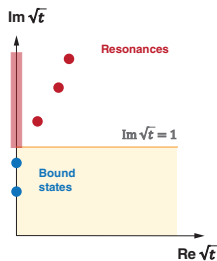
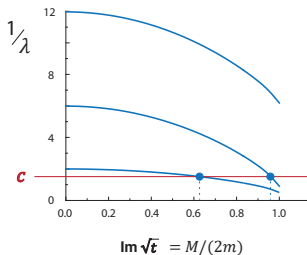
- Homogeneous BSE:



$$\Rightarrow \psi(t) = \mathbf{c} K G_o(t) \psi(t)$$

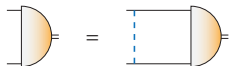
$$\psi(X, Z, t) = \mathbf{c} \int dx \int dz K(X, x, Z, z, t) G_o(x, z, t) \psi(x, z, t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda(t)} \stackrel{!}{=} \mathbf{c}$$



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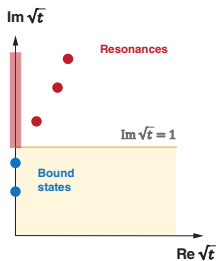
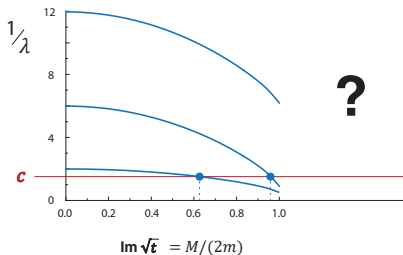
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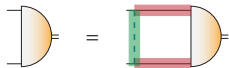
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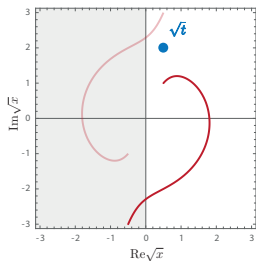
- Homogeneous BSE:



$$\psi(X, Z, t) = \int_0^\infty dx \int_{-1}^1 dz K(X, x, Z, z) \underbrace{G_0(x, z, t)}_1 \psi(x, z, t) \\ \frac{1}{(x+t+1)^2 - 4xtz^2}$$

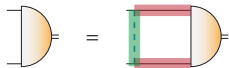
→ cuts from G_0 in complex x plane for given t

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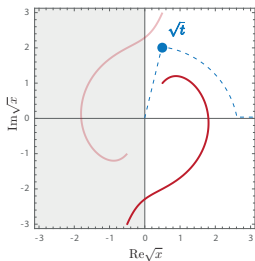


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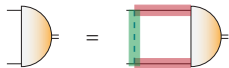
→ cuts from K in complex x plane for given X



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Contour deformation

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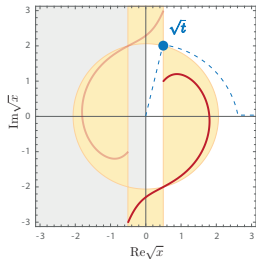


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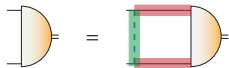
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- All cuts in yellow area
- $\text{Re}\sqrt{x}$ and $\text{Abs}\sqrt{x}$ must never decrease
- Can cover **entire complex t plane!**

Contour deformation

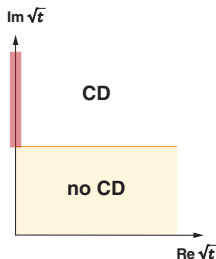
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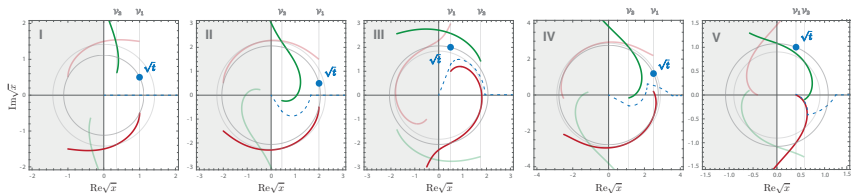
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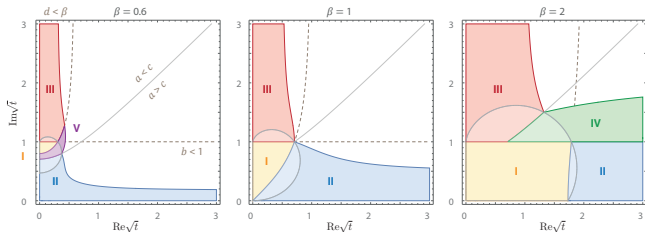
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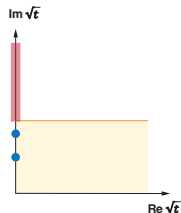
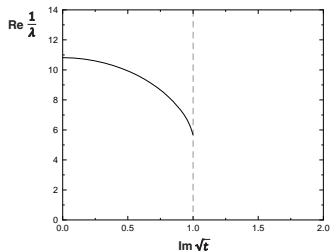
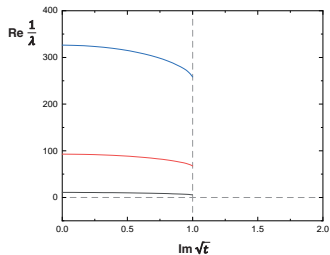
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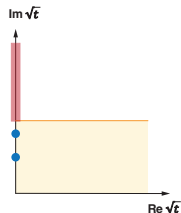
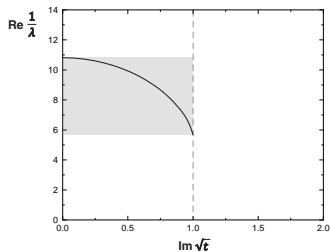
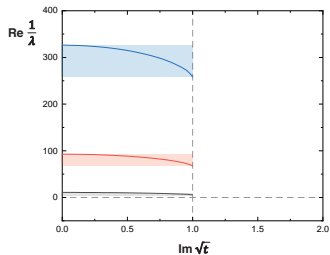
Can still cover **parts** of complex t plane:



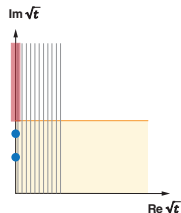
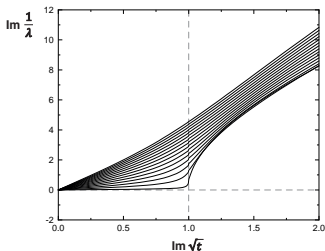
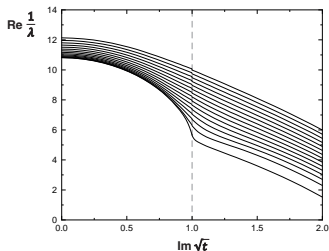
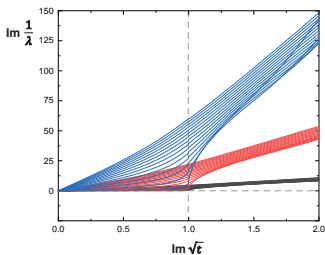
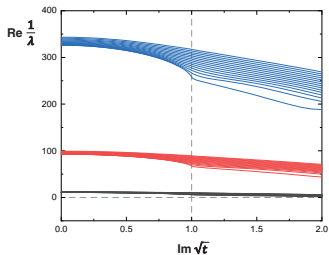
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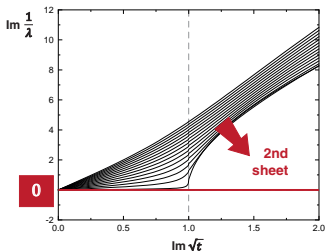
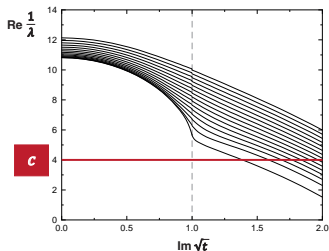
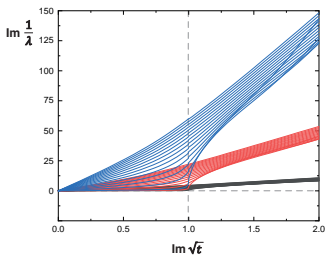
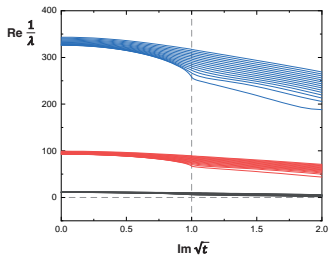
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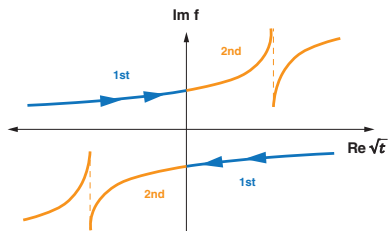
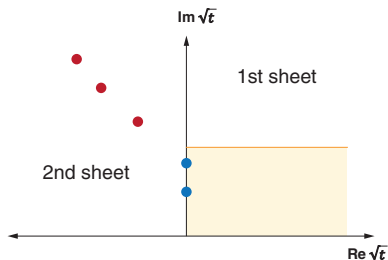
BSE Eigenvalues



$$\frac{1}{\lambda(t)} = c + 0 \cdot i$$

still valid for
complex poles:
 can detect
 resonances from
homogeneous BSE

How to access 2nd sheet?



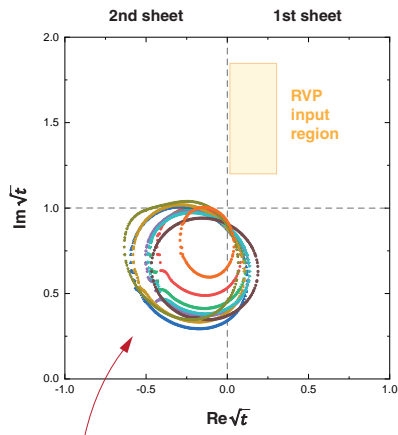
RVP: Resonances via Padé /
Schlessinger point method /
Continued fraction

Schlessinger, Phys. Rev. 167 (1968)

Tripolt, Haritan, Wambach, Moiseyev, PLB 774 (2017)

$$f(z) = \frac{c_1}{1 + \frac{c_2 (z-z_1)}{1 + \frac{c_3 (z-z_2)}{1 + \frac{c_4 (z-z_3)}{\dots}}}}$$

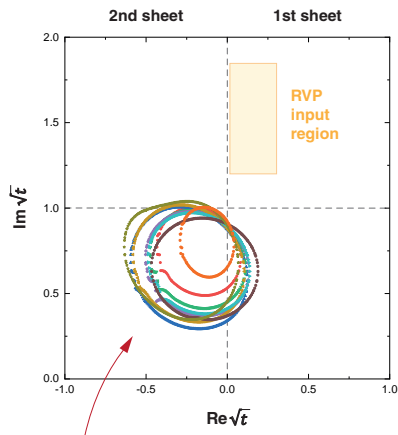
Pole trajectories



Pole trajectories:
Zeros of $\text{Im } 1/\lambda$

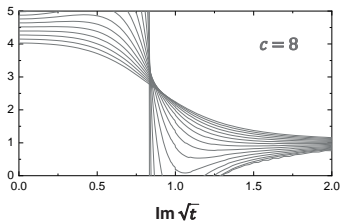
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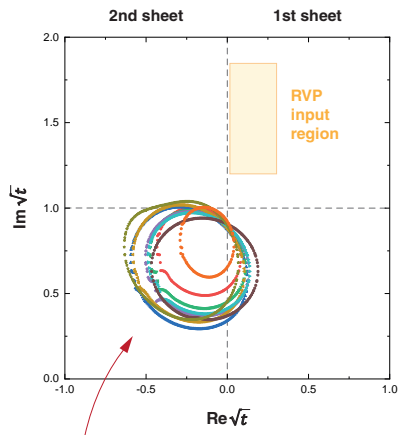


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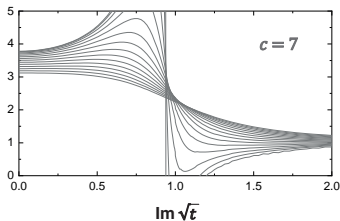


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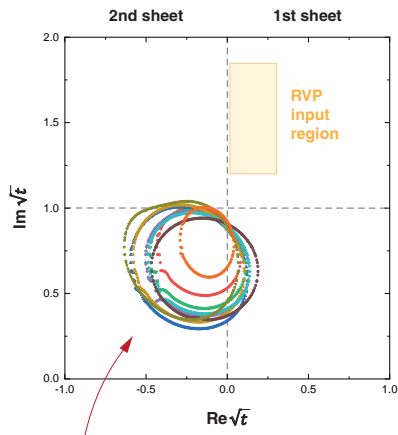


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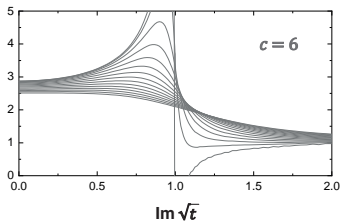


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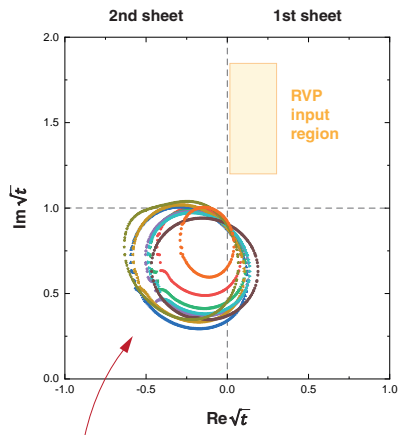


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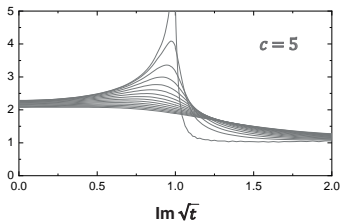


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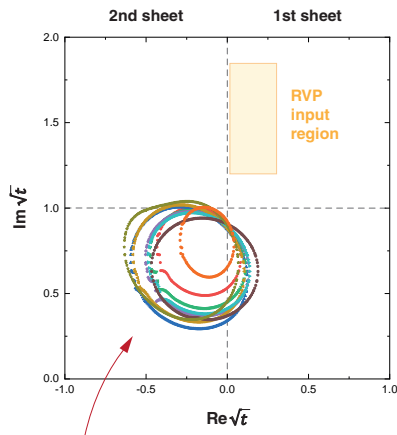


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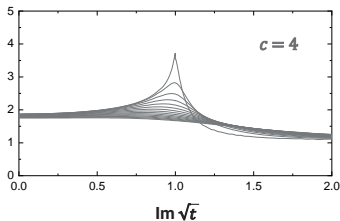


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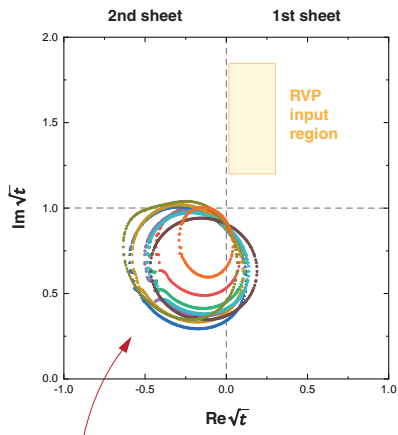


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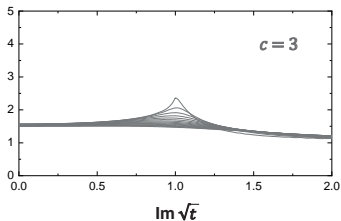


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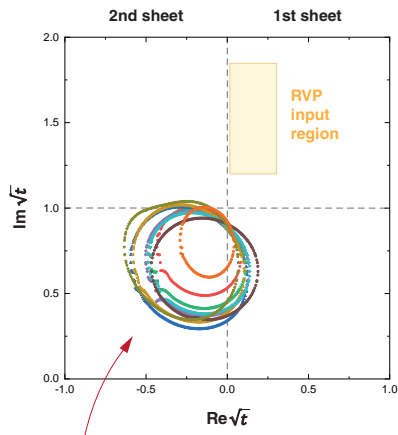


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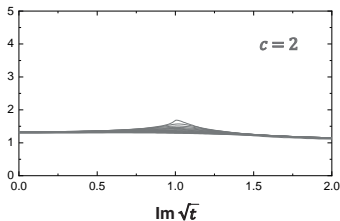


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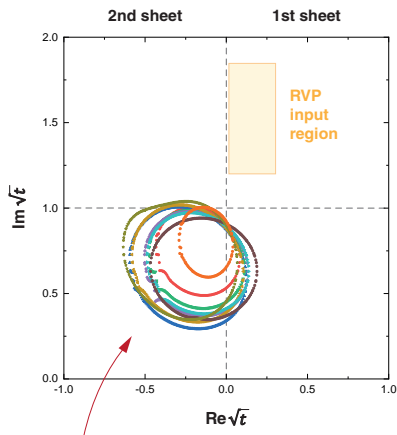


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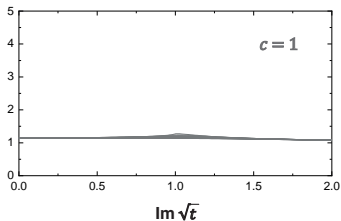


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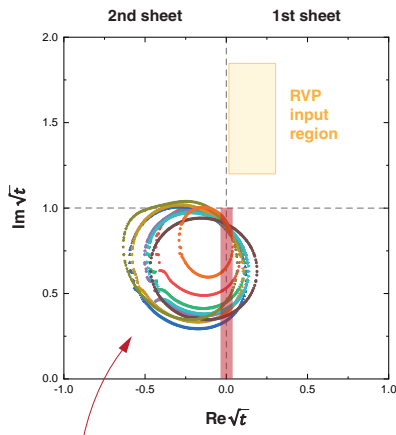


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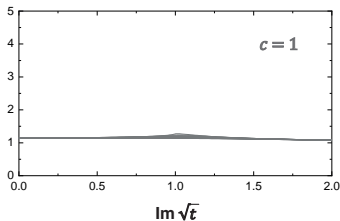


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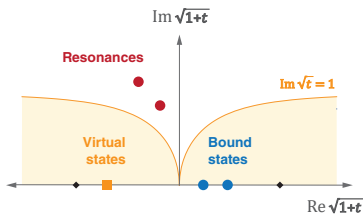
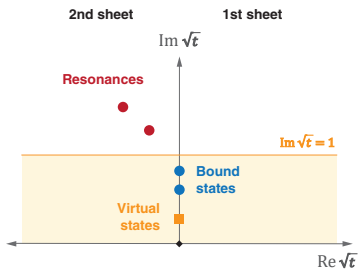
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- **Virtual bound states?**

Glöckle, "The QM Few-Body Problem", 1983
Hanhart, Pelaez, Rios, PLB 739 (2014)

Poles on 2nd sheet

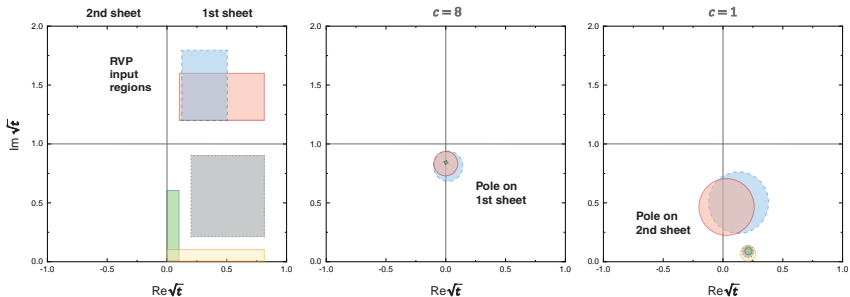


No cut in $\sqrt{1+t}$ plane

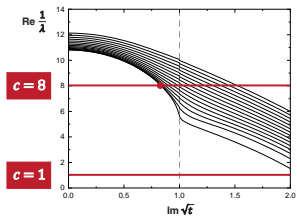
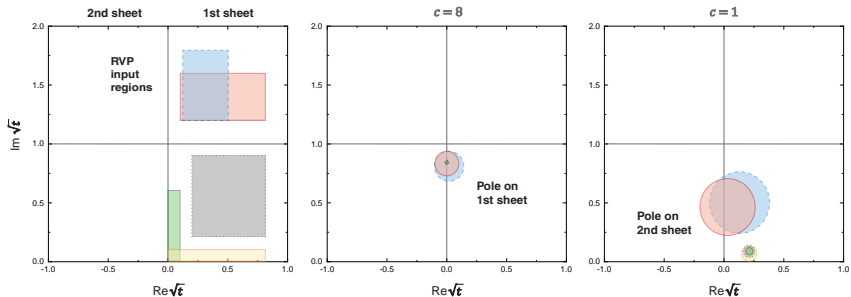
Hanhart, Pelaez, Rios, PLB 739 (2014)

→ can analytically continue
eigenvalues of homogeneous BSE!

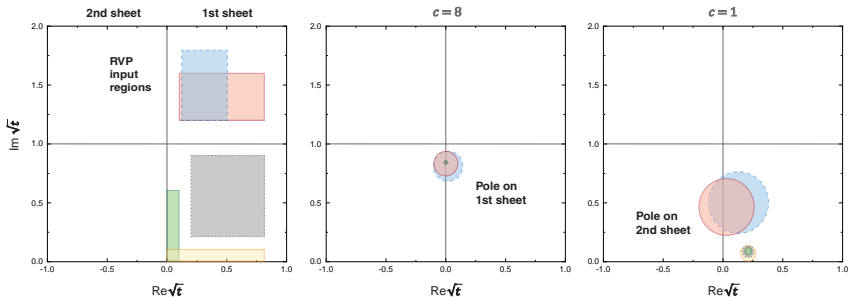
Poles on 2nd sheet



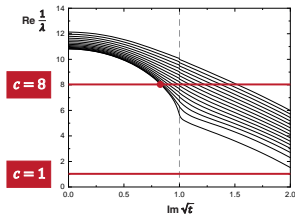
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Poles on 2nd sheet



- RVP accurately reproduces **bound-state pole** on 1st sheet
- For small couplings, RVP points to **virtual states** (poles on axis of 2nd sheet)

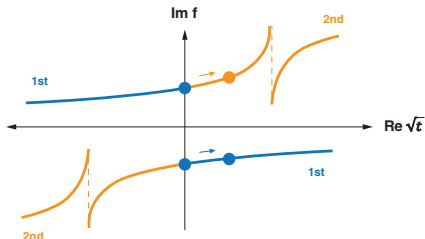


Two-body unitarity

Follows from scattering equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= K + KG_0 T && \Rightarrow T^{-1} = K^{-1} - G_0 \\
 & && \Rightarrow T_+^{-1} - T_-^{-1} = (K_+^{-1} - K_-^{-1}) - (G_{0+} - G_{0-}) \\
 & && \Rightarrow T_+ - T_- = T_+(G_{0+} - G_{0-})T_- + (\dots)
 \end{aligned}$$

e.g.: Gribov Lectures
on Theoretical Physics,
Cambridge 2008



If $T_{\pm} = T(t \pm i\epsilon)$:

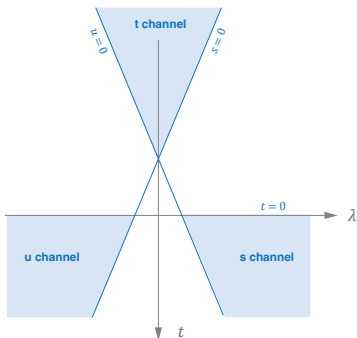
With **partial-wave decomposition**:

$$f_l(t)_{II} = \frac{f_l(t)_I}{1 - 2i \tau(t) f_l(t)_I}$$

→ But this requires **scattering amplitude**

Scattering amplitude

Depends on two variables: t and crossing variable $\lambda = \frac{s-u}{4m^2}$



- Bound states, resonances and t-channel cuts at fixed $t \rightarrow$ determined by scattering equation

$$\text{Diagram} = \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram}$$

The equation shows four diagrams representing different scattering processes. The first is a vertical bar with a dashed line. The second is a vertical bar with a dashed line and a cross. The third is a vertical bar with a dashed line and a solid bar. The fourth is a vertical bar with a dashed line and a cross and a solid bar.

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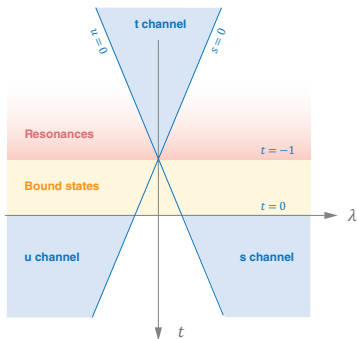
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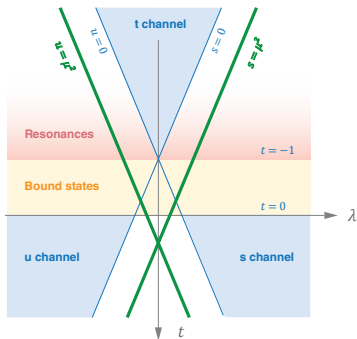
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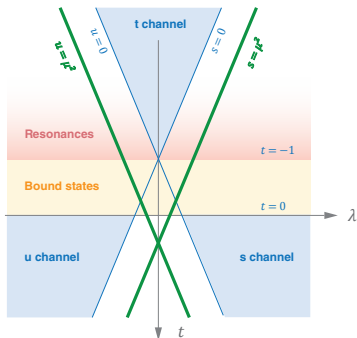
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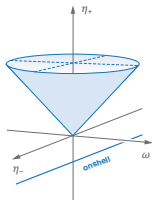


- To obtain onshell scattering amplitude, must first solve **half-offshell** scattering equation

$$\text{Diagram} = \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram} + \text{Diagram}$$

The equation shows a diagram with a vertical bar and a red top line equal to the sum of four diagrams: a vertical bar with dashed lines, a crossed diagram, a vertical bar with a red bottom line, and a crossed diagram with a red bottom line.

- Kinematics same as in **Compton scattering**
[GE, Ramalho, PRD 98 \(2018\)](#)



Scattering amplitude

Partial-wave expansion:

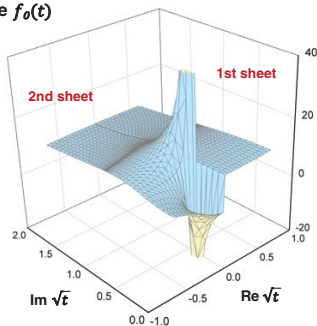
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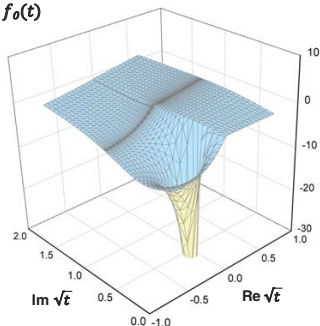
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$c = 1$

Re $f_0(t)$



Im $f_0(t)$



Scattering amplitude

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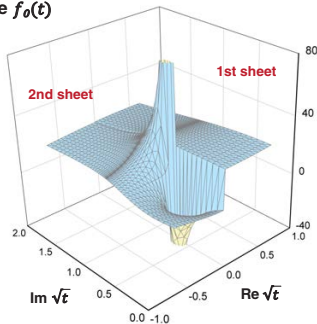
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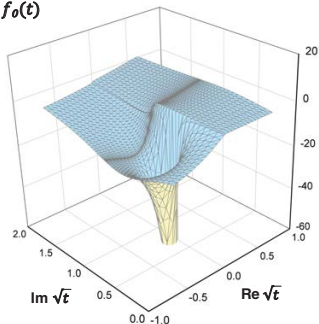
$$f_l(t)_{II} = \frac{f_l(t)_I}{1 - 2i \tau(t) f_l(t)_I}$$

$c = 2$

Re $f_0(t)$



Im $f_0(t)$



Scattering amplitude

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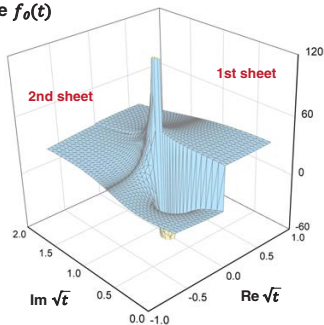
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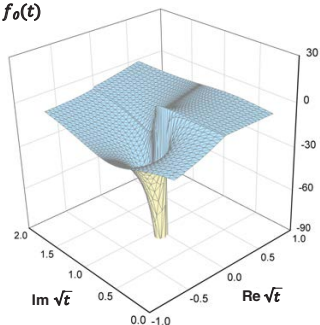
$$f_l(t)_{II} = \frac{f_l(t)_I}{1 - 2i \tau(t) f_l(t)_I}$$

$c = 3$

Re $f_0(t)$



Im $f_0(t)$



Scattering amplitude

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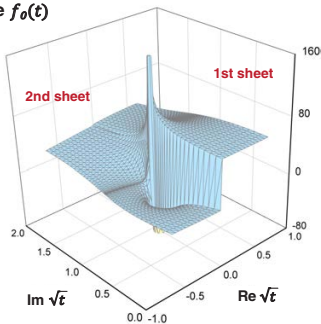
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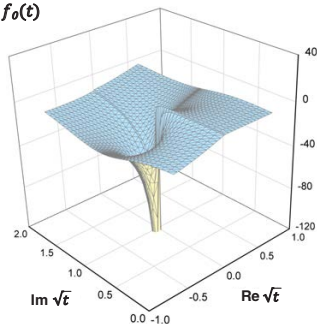
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$c = 4$

Re $f_0(t)$



Im $f_0(t)$



Scattering amplitude

Partial-wave expansion:

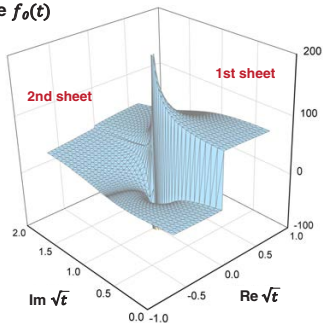
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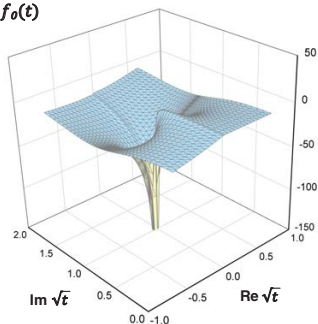
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$c = 5$

Re $f_0(t)$



Im $f_0(t)$



Scattering amplitude

Partial-wave expansion:

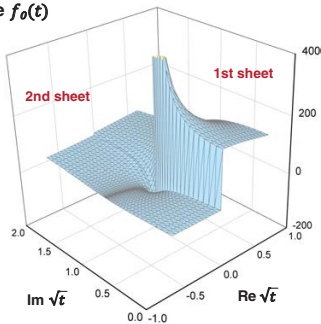
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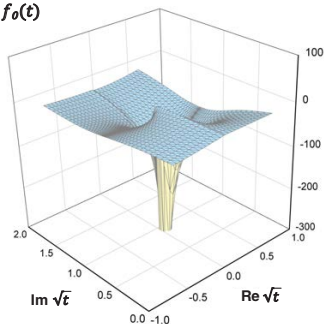
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$c = 7$

Re $f_0(t)$



Im $f_0(t)$



Scattering amplitude

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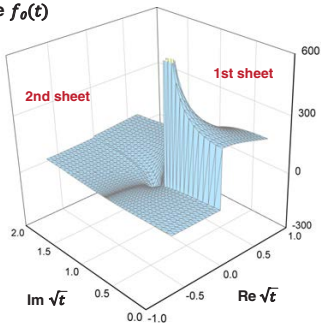
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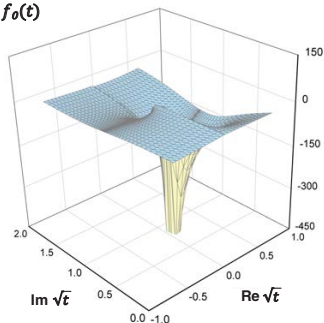
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$c = 8$

Re $f_0(t)$



Im $f_0(t)$



Scattering amplitude

Partial-wave expansion:

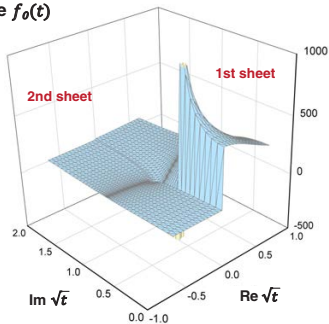
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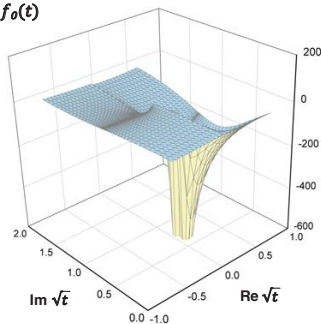
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$c = 9$

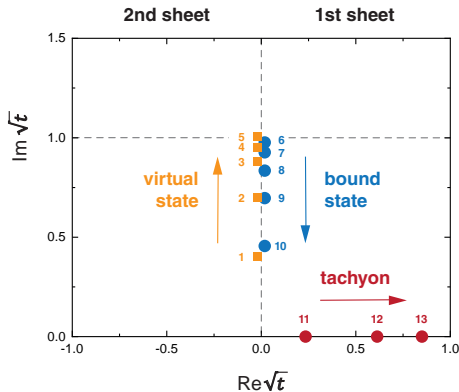
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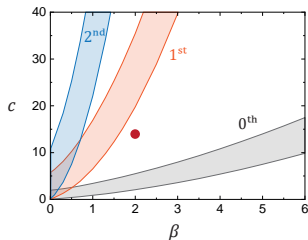
Pole trajectories



- Scalar model doesn't have resonances but only **virtual bound states**
- Need full **scattering equation** to find them (2-body unitarity)
- For **nearby resonances**, (in-)homogeneous BSE + RVP probably sufficient

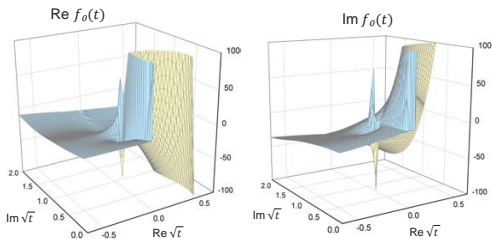
Pole trajectories

Analogous for other values of β
(i.e., exchange-particle masses)



Inside each band a state is bound

At fixed β , when increasing coupling:
virtual states \rightarrow **bound states** \rightarrow **tachyons**



Here for $\beta = 2$, $c = 12$:

- Ground state has become tachyonic, 1st excited state is not yet bound
- Large structure is exchange particle pole at fixed s (or u), cf. Mandelstam plane

Benchmarks

• Binding energies

$$c = 1, \beta = 0.5$$

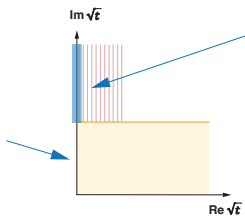
$\text{Im}\sqrt{t}$	π/λ_0 this work	π/λ_0 [1, 2]	π/λ_0 [3]
0.999	1.18(3)	1.211	1.216
0.995	1.43(1)	1.440	1.440
0.99	1.623	1.624	1.623
0.95	2.498	2.498	2.498
0.90	3.251	3.251	3.251
0.80	4.416	4.416	4.416
0.75	4.901	4.901	4.901
0.6	6.094	6.096	6.094
0.4	7.205	7.206	7.204
0.2	7.849	7.850	7.849
0	8.061	8.062	8.061

[1, 2] Kusaka, Simpson, Williams, PRD 56 (1997)
Karmanov, Carbonell, EPJ A 28 (2006)

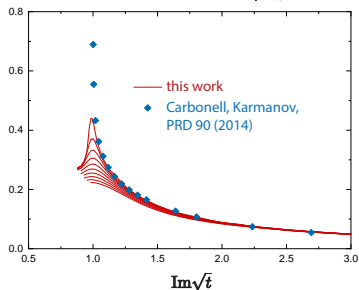
[3] Frederico, Salmè, Viviani, PRD 89 (2014)

• Phase shifts

$$f_i(t) = \frac{1}{2i\tau(t)} \left[e^{2i\delta_i(t)} - 1 \right]$$



$\text{Re } \delta_0(t)/\pi$ $c = 1.2/\pi, \beta = 0.5$



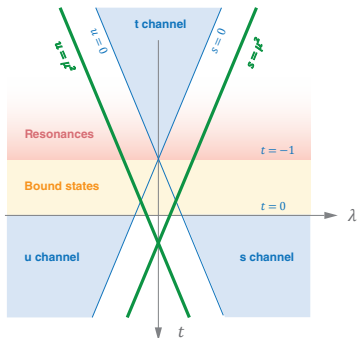
Summary & Outlook

- **Contour deformations:**
Toolbox for treating resonances with integral equations
- Can be taken over without changes to **NN** , **$N\pi$** scattering, etc. → amplitude analyses
- QCD with functional methods: must still implement **resonance mechanism**, tetraquarks are good starting point (it's automatic)
- **Homogeneous BSE** is good enough to extract **pole positions on 2nd sheet** (nearby resonances, otherwise at least ballpark estimates)
- Generally applicable for **circumventing singularities** (e.g. from quark propagator)
→ highly excited states, timelike FFs, FFs at large Q^2 , PDFs, GPDs, TMDs, . . .
- Scalar system: template for resonances in **Higgs sector**.
Model considered here doesn't have resonances but **virtual bound states**

Backup slides

Scattering amplitude

Depends on two variables: t and crossing variable $\lambda = \frac{s-u}{4m^2}$



- λ dependence “boring”: exchange poles and cuts, $T - K$ almost flat (cuts only)
- Also $T(\lambda)$ is flat if exchange poles far away \Rightarrow **partial-wave expansion** converges rapidly

$$T(t, \lambda) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l+1) f_l(t) P_l(\cos \theta) \approx f_0(t)$$

- Extract **phase shifts**, make Argand plots, etc.

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Complex eigenvalues?

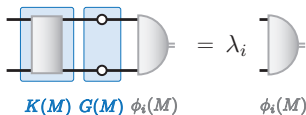
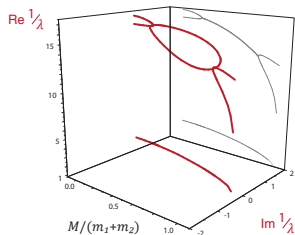
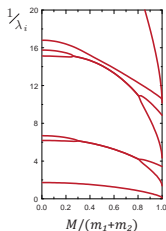
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Wick 1954, Cutkosky 1954

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Ahlig, Alkofer, Ann. Phys. 275 (1999)



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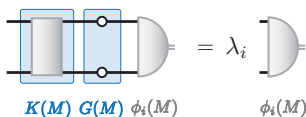
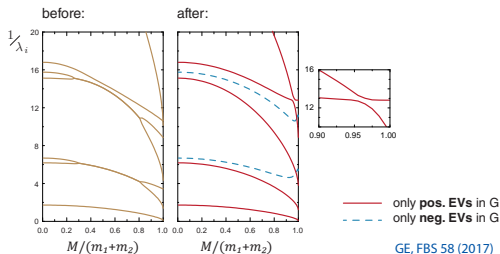
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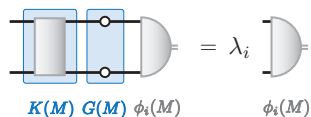
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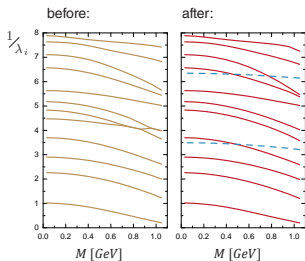
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Eigenvalue spectrum for pion channel

GE, FBS 58 (2017)

— only pos. EVs in G
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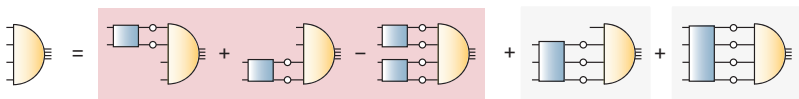
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Four-body equation



Two-body interactions

... plus permutations:

$$(qq)(\bar{q}\bar{q}), (q\bar{q})(q\bar{q}), (q\bar{q})(q\bar{q})$$

$$(12)(34) \quad (23)(14) \quad (13)(24)$$

3-body
(+ permutations)

4-body

Bethe-Salpeter amplitude:

$$\Gamma(p, q, k, P) = \sum_i f_i(p^2, q^2, k^2, \{\omega_j\}, \{\eta_j\}) \tau_i(p, q, k, P) \otimes \text{Color} \otimes \text{Flavor}$$

9 Lorentz invariants:

$$p^2, \quad q^2, \quad k^2$$

$$\omega_1 = q \cdot k \quad \eta_1 = p \cdot P$$

$$\omega_2 = p \cdot k \quad \eta_2 = q \cdot P$$

$$\omega_3 = p \cdot q \quad \eta_3 = k \cdot P$$

$$P^2 = -M^2$$

256
Dirac-
Lorentz
tensors

2 Color
tensors:

$$3 \otimes \bar{3}, \quad 6 \otimes \bar{6} \quad \text{or}$$

$$1 \otimes 1, \quad 8 \otimes 8$$

(Fierz-equivalent)

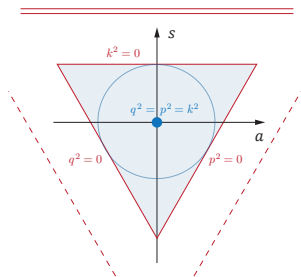
Structure of the amplitude

- **Singlet:** symmetric variable, carries overall scale:

$$\mathcal{S}_0 = \frac{1}{4} (p^2 + q^2 + k^2)$$

- **Doublet:** $\mathcal{D}_0 = \frac{1}{4\mathcal{S}_0} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}(q^2 - p^2) \\ p^2 + q^2 - 2k^2 \end{bmatrix}$

Mandelstam triangle,
outside: **meson and diquark poles!**

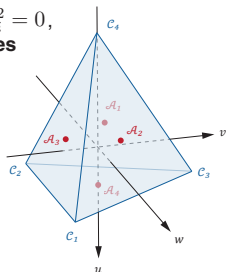


Lorentz invariants can be grouped into **multiplets of the permutation group S4:**

GE, Fischer, Heupel, PRD 92 (2015)

- **Triplet:** $\mathcal{T}_0 = \frac{1}{4\mathcal{S}_0} \begin{bmatrix} 2(\omega_1 + \omega_2 + \omega_3) \\ \sqrt{2}(\omega_1 + \omega_2 - 2\omega_3) \\ \sqrt{6}(\omega_2 - \omega_1) \end{bmatrix}$

tetrahedron bounded by $p_i^2 = 0$,
outside: **quark singularities**



- **Second triplet:** 3dim. sphere

$$\mathcal{T}_1 = \frac{1}{4\mathcal{S}_0} \begin{bmatrix} 2(\eta_1 + \eta_2 + \eta_3) \\ \sqrt{2}(\eta_1 + \eta_2 - 2\eta_3) \\ \sqrt{6}(\eta_2 - \eta_1) \end{bmatrix}$$

Tetraquark mass

$$f_i(S_0, \nabla, \triangle, \circ)$$

