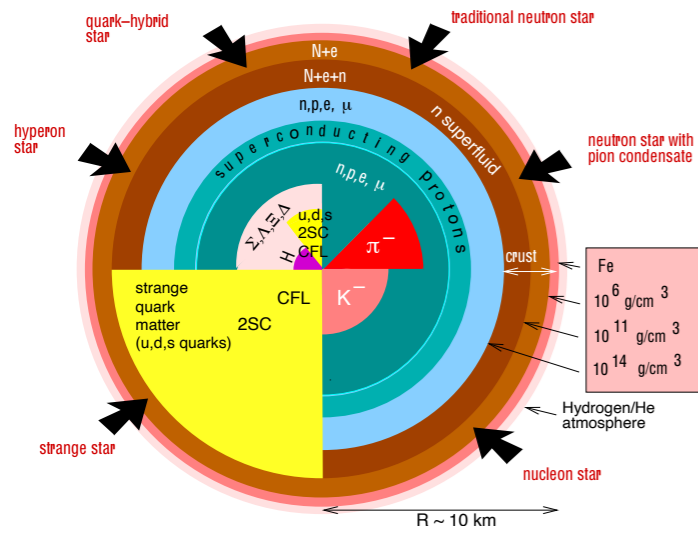


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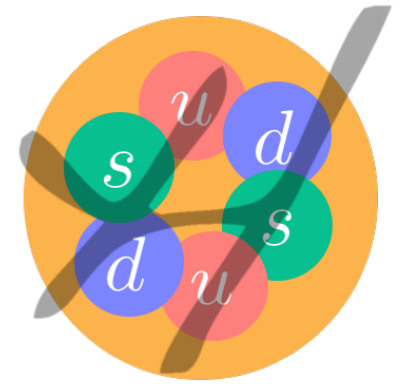


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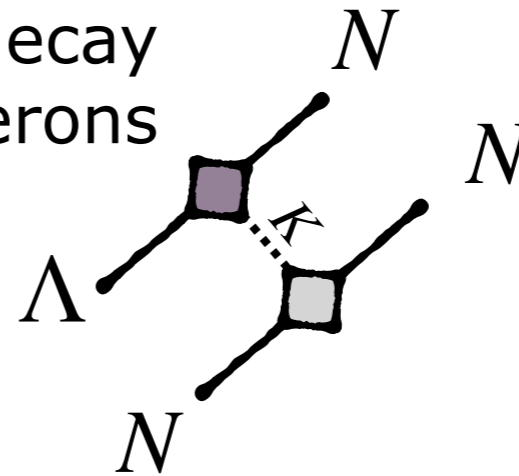


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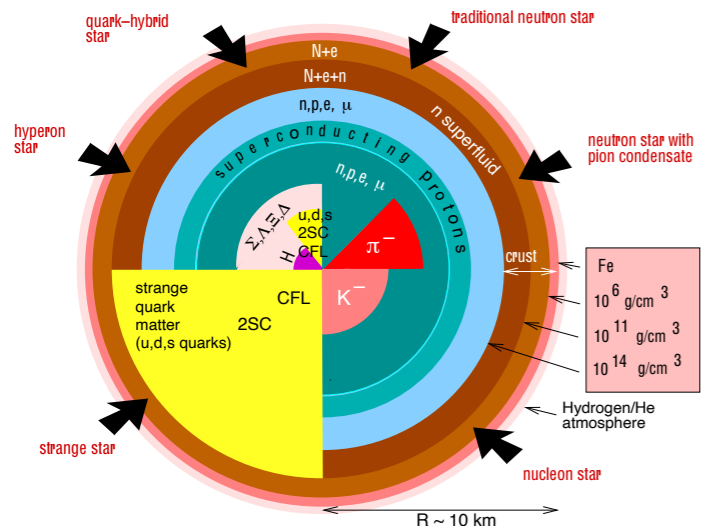
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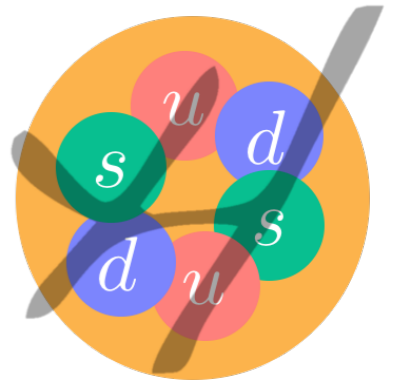


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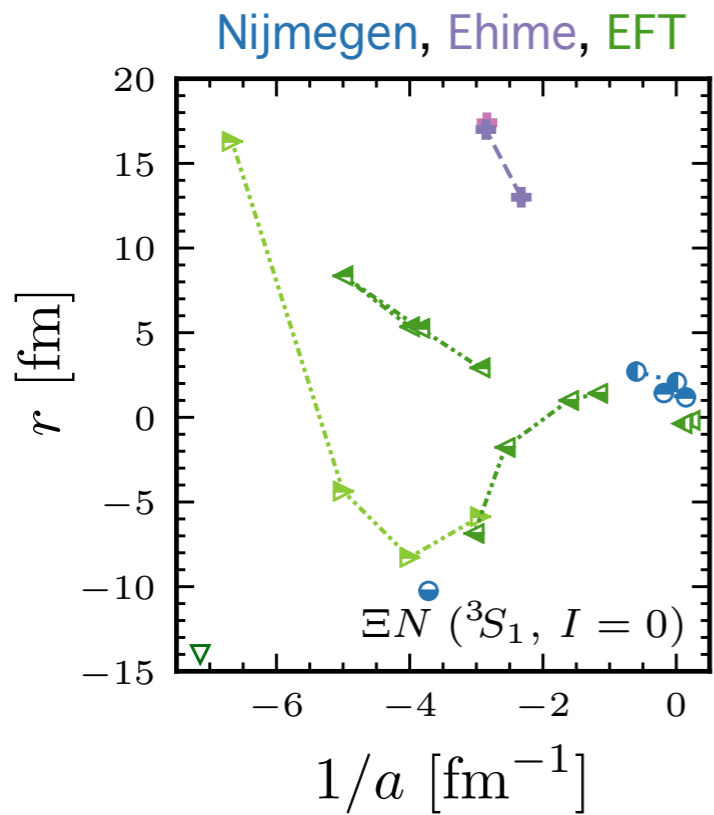
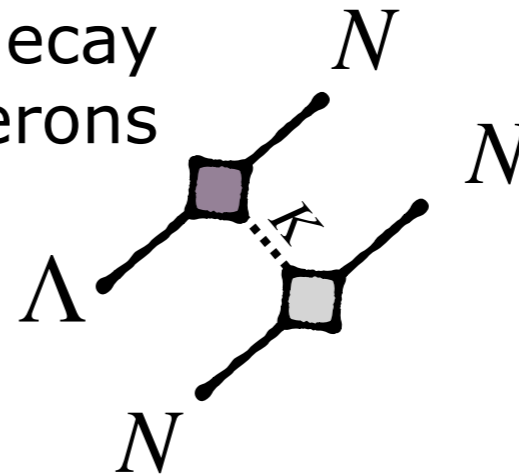


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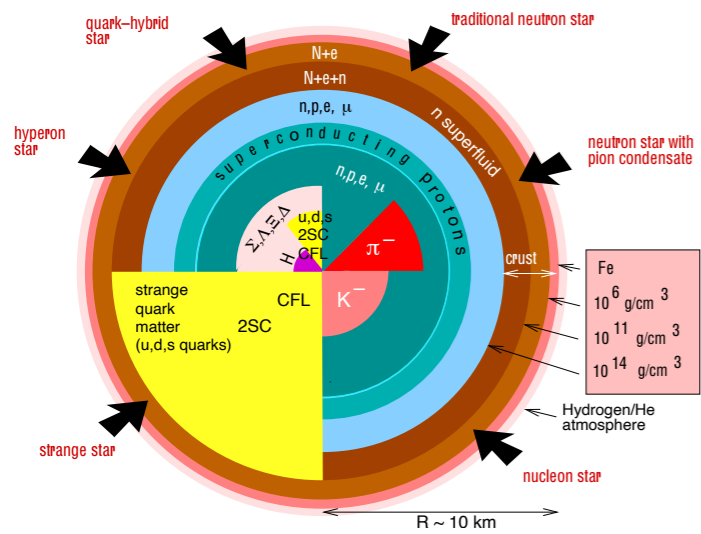


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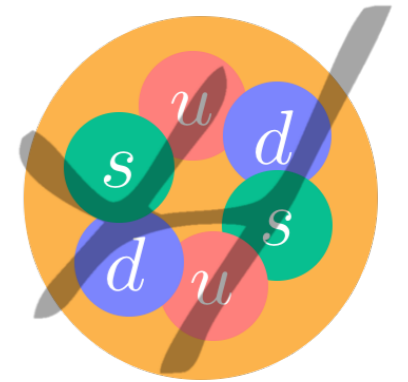
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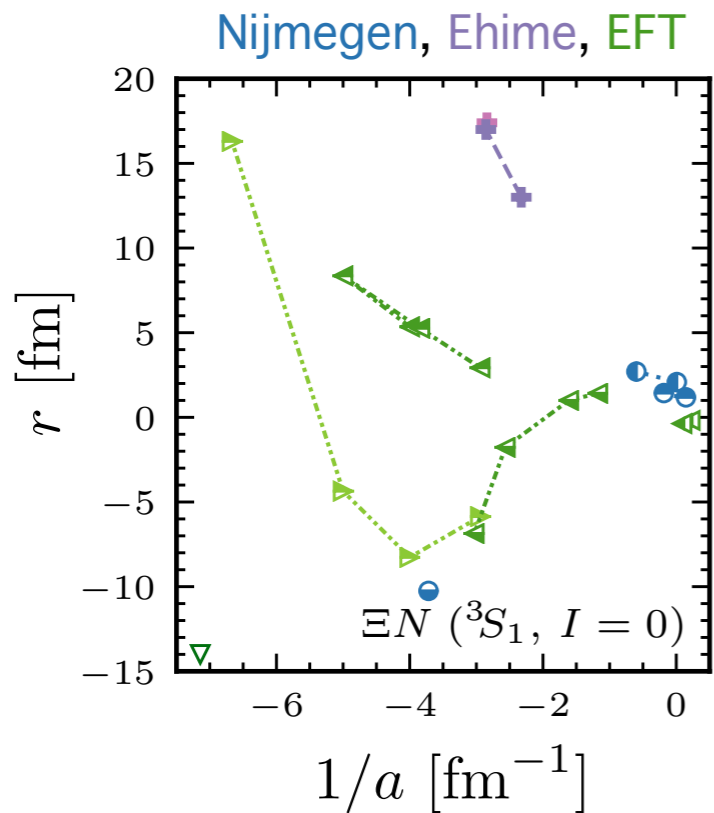
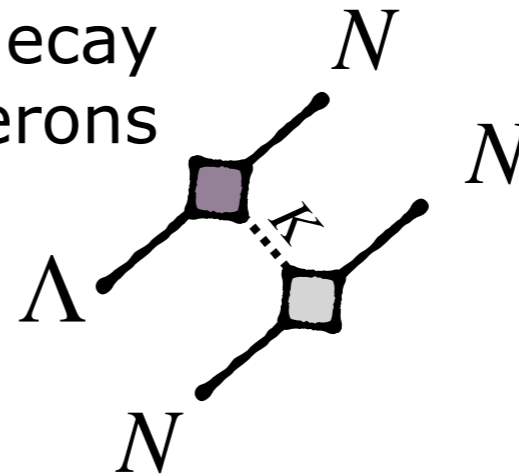


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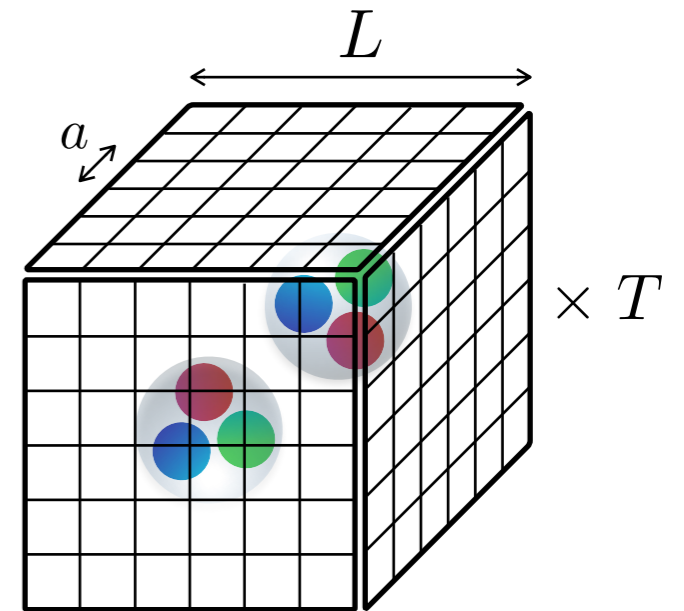


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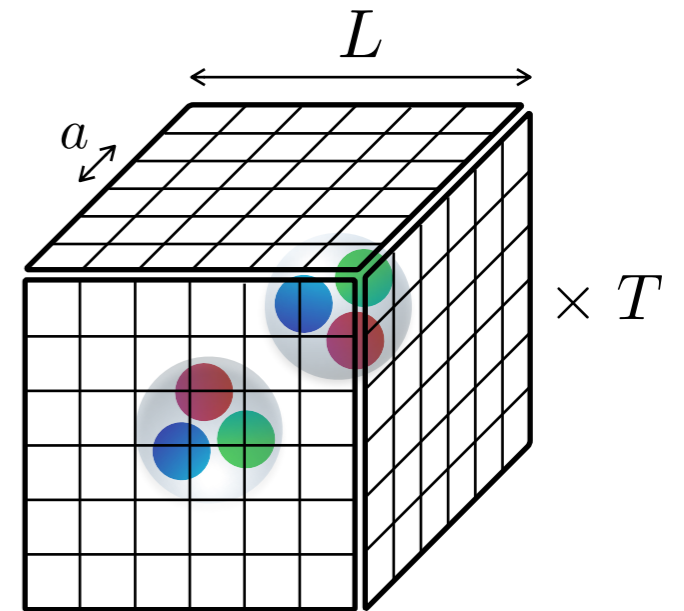


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- The direct method

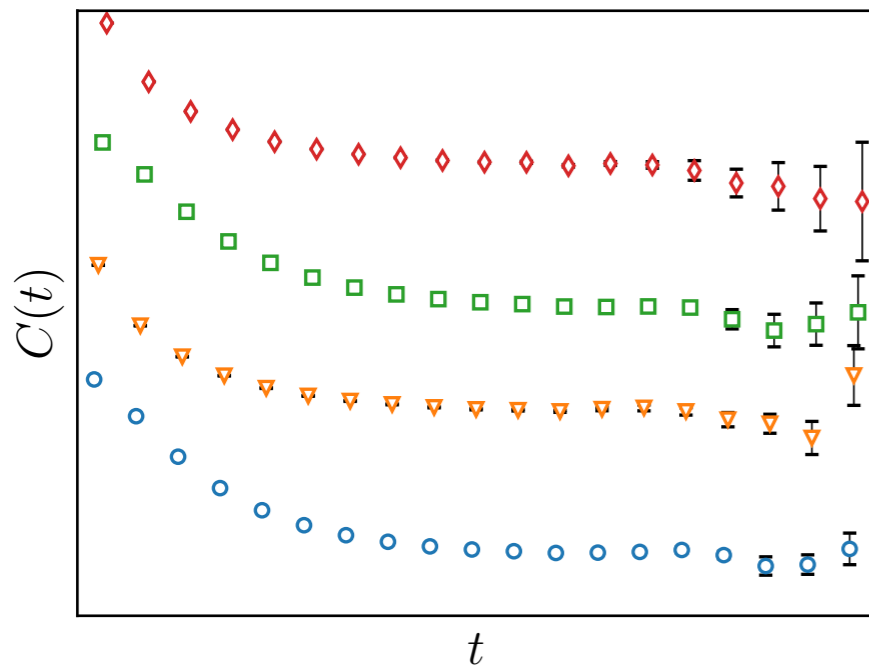




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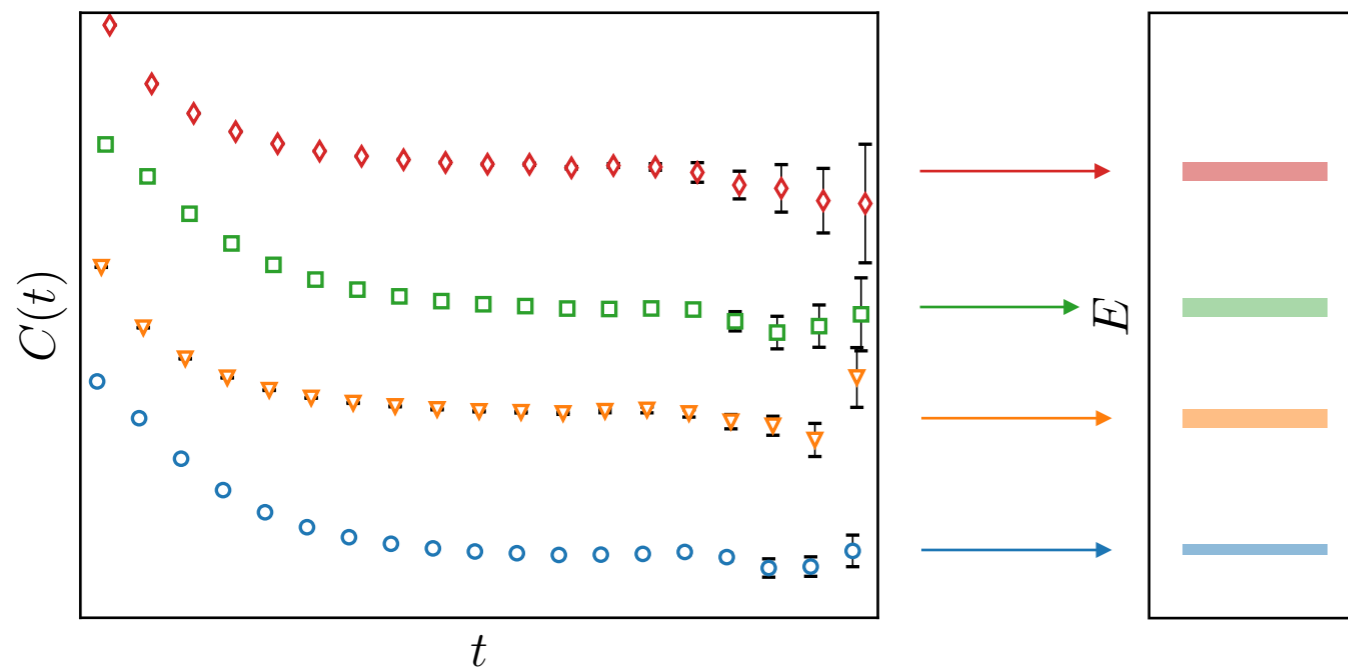
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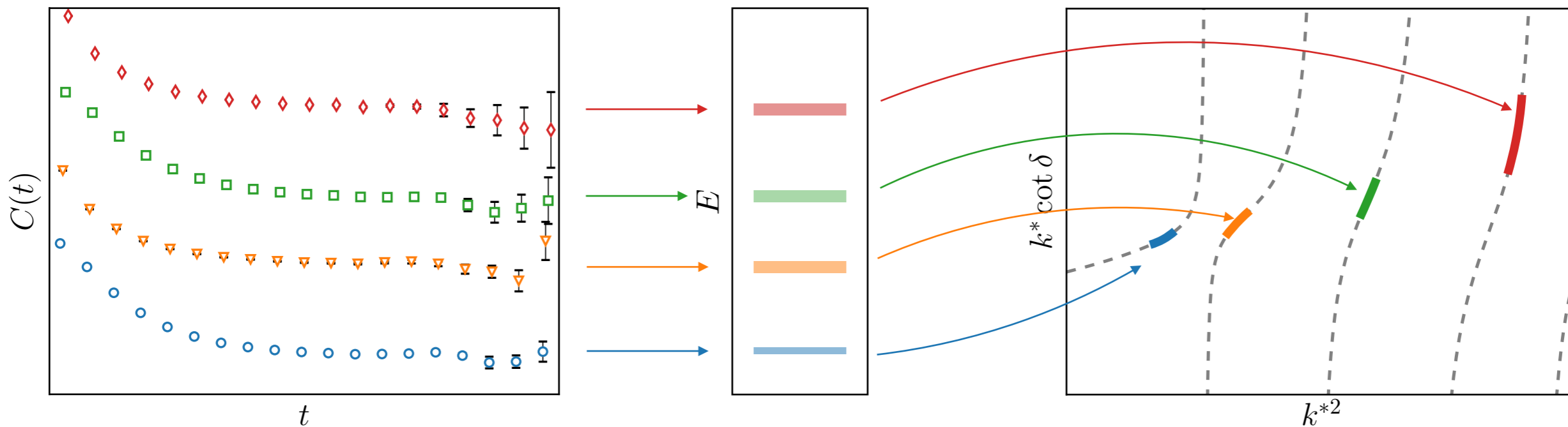


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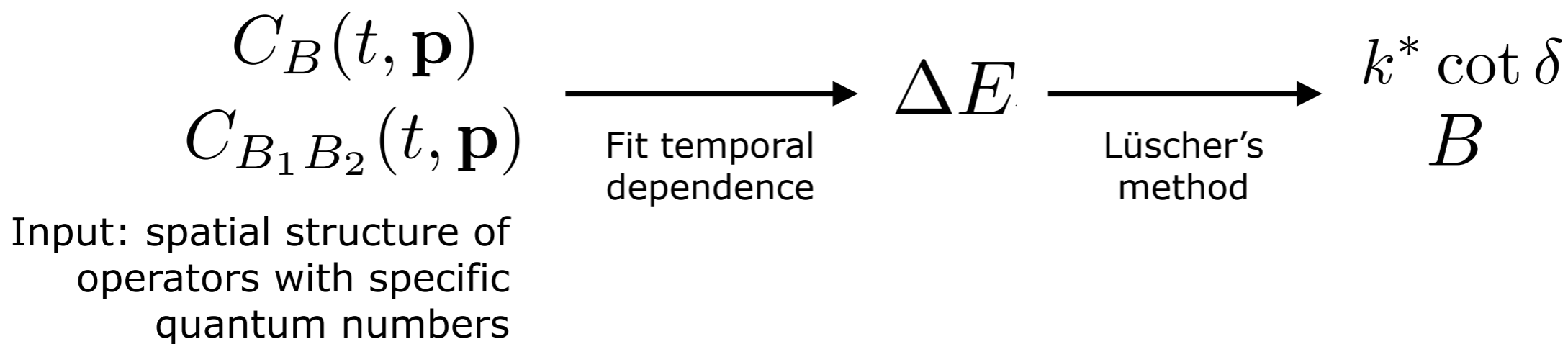
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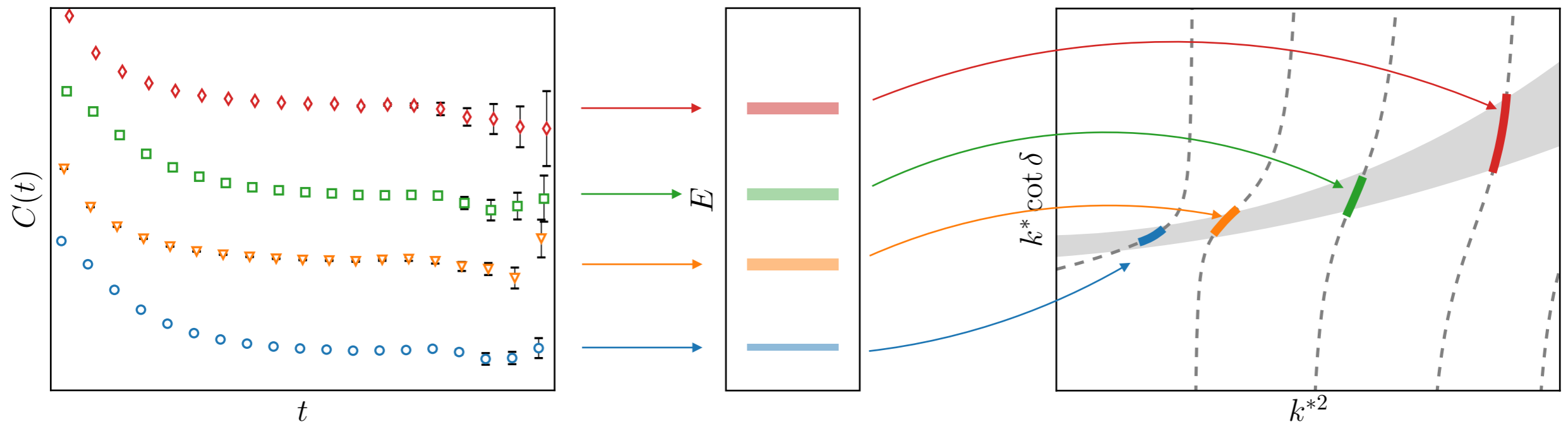
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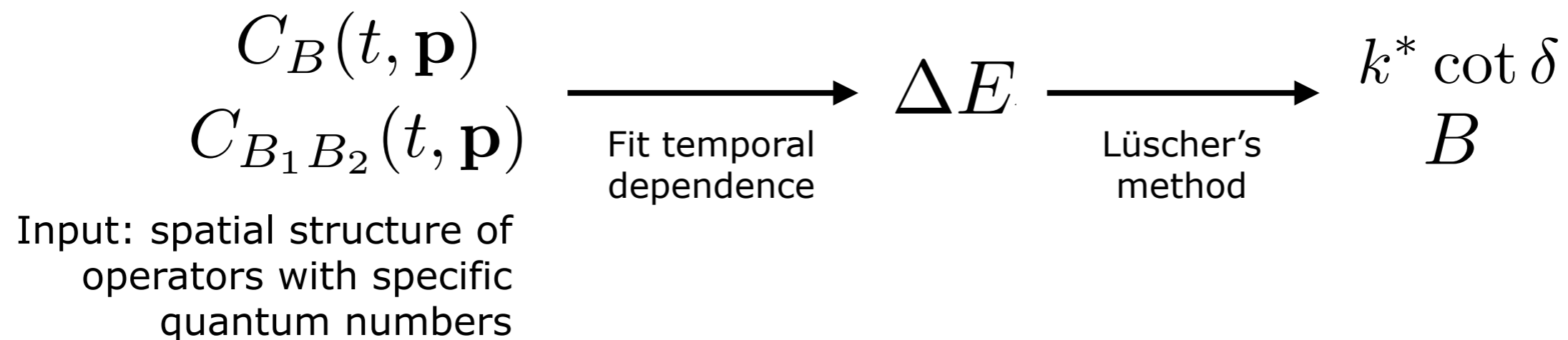
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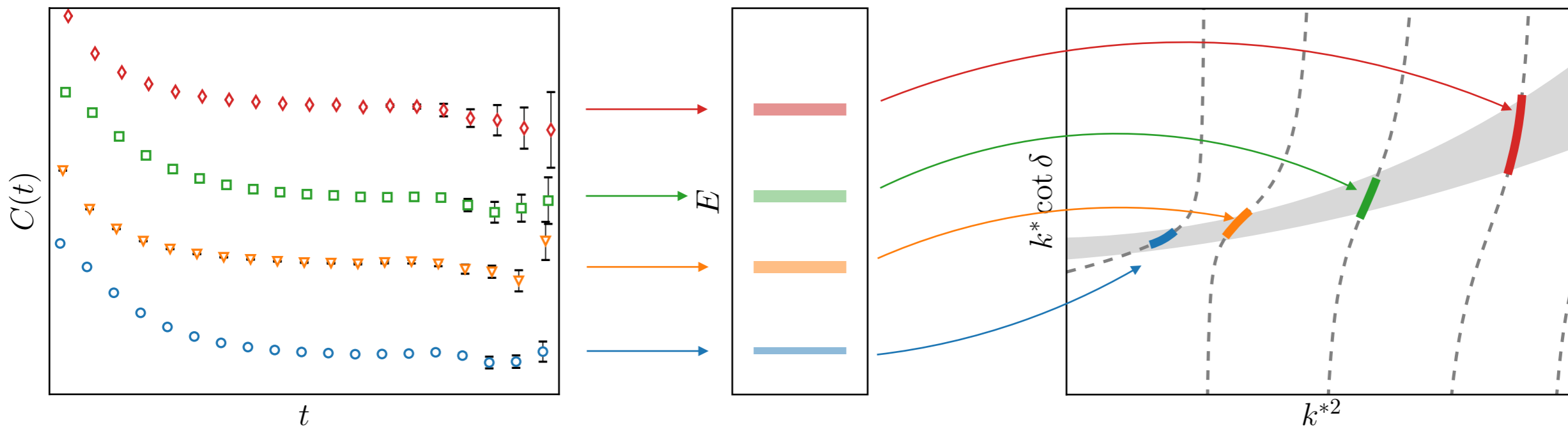
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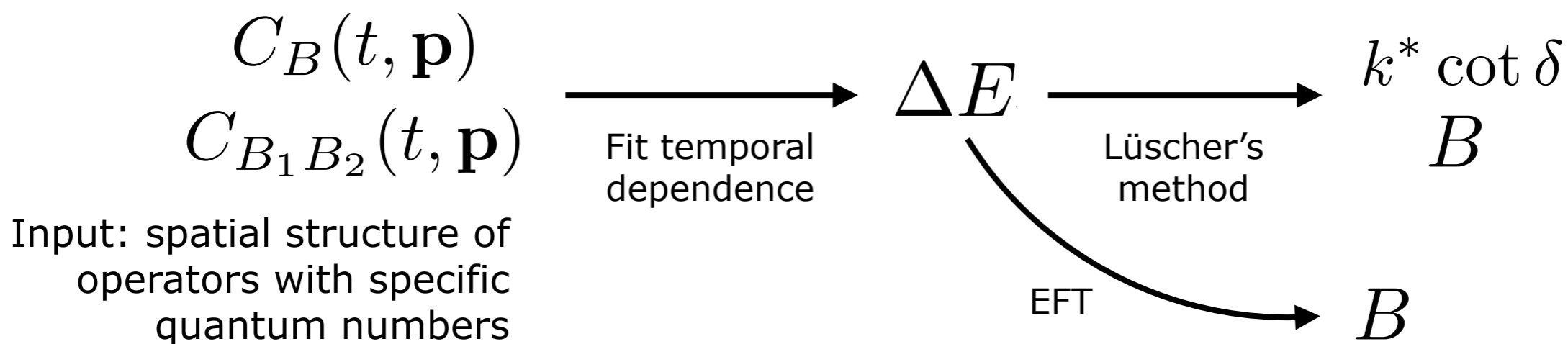
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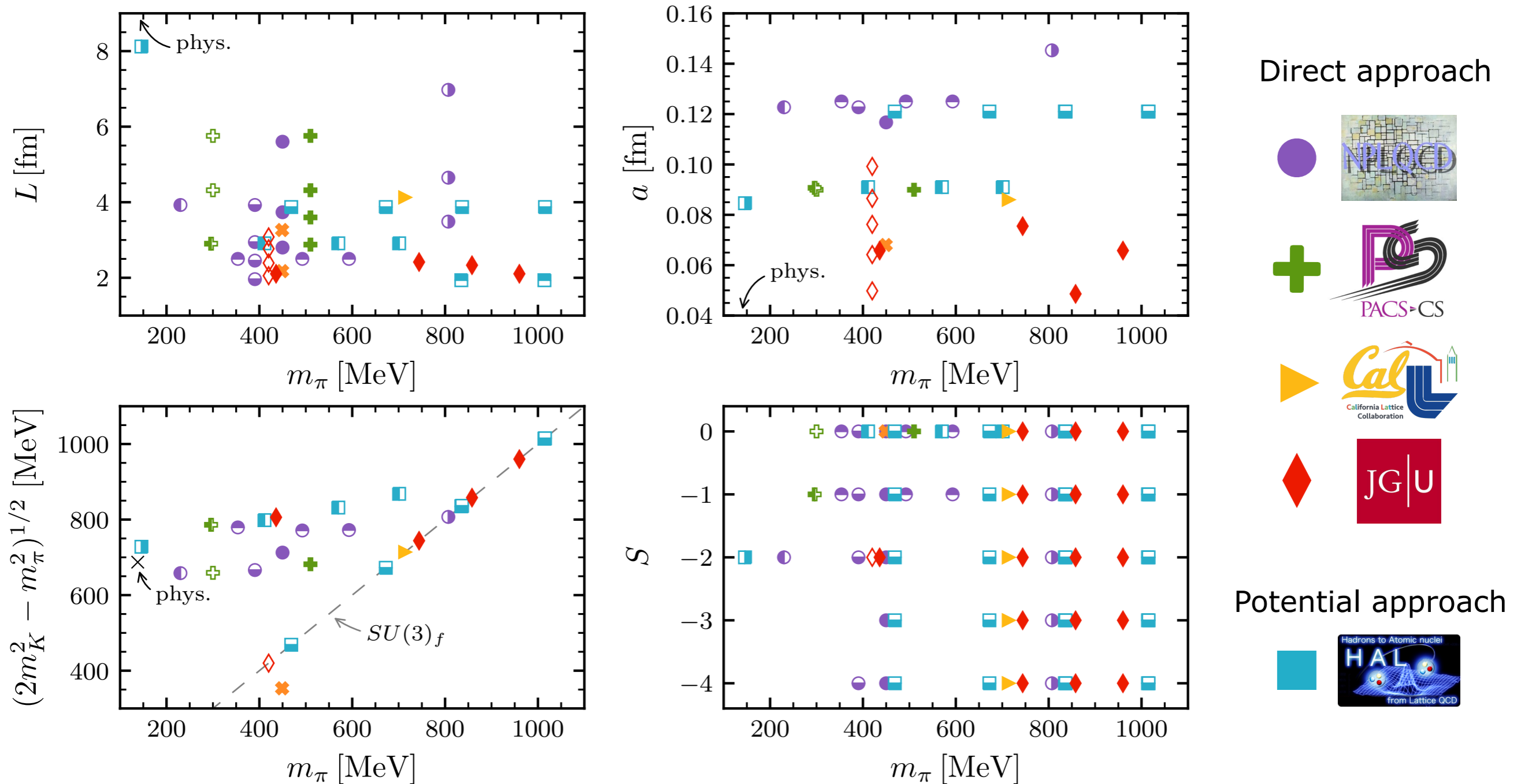


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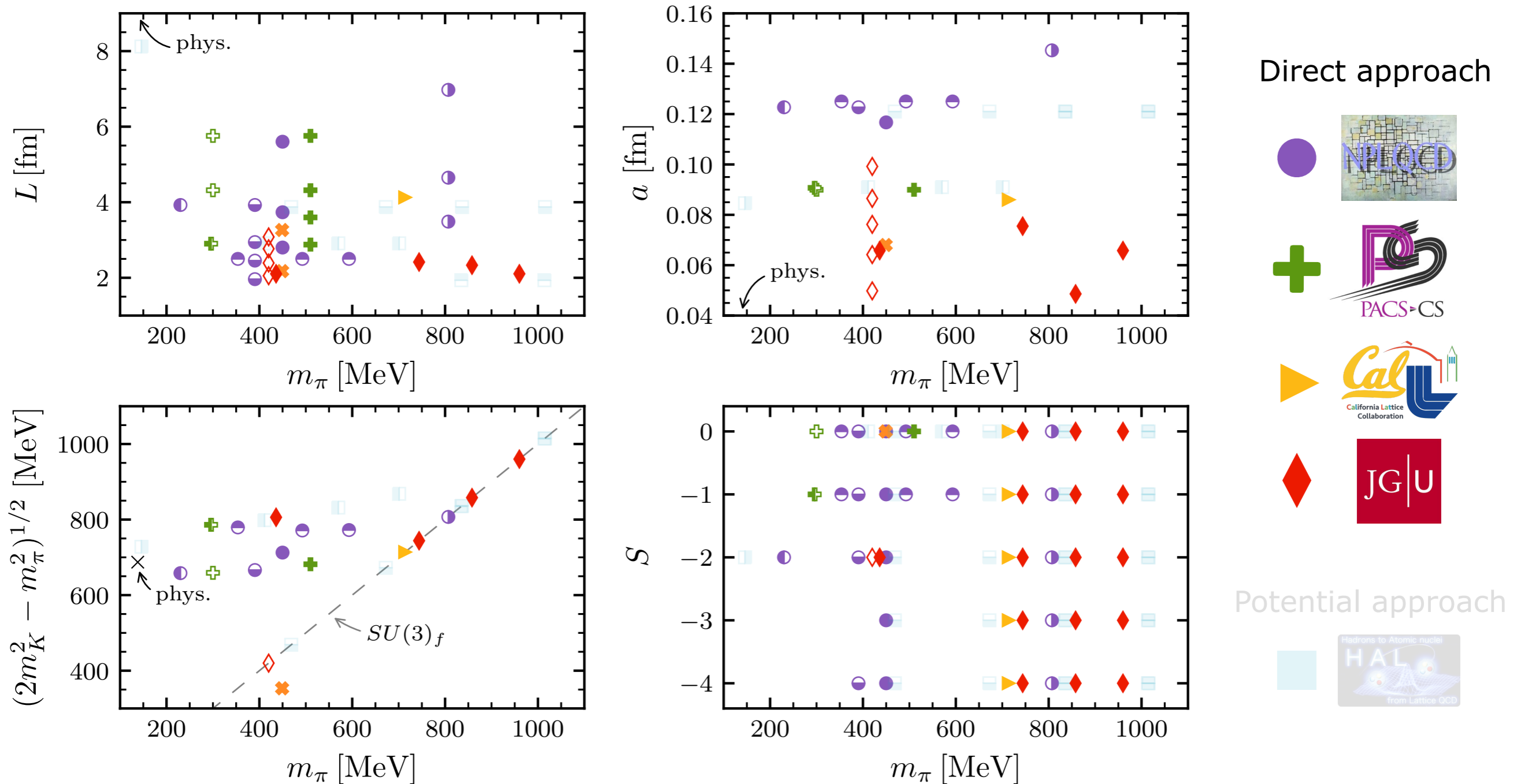
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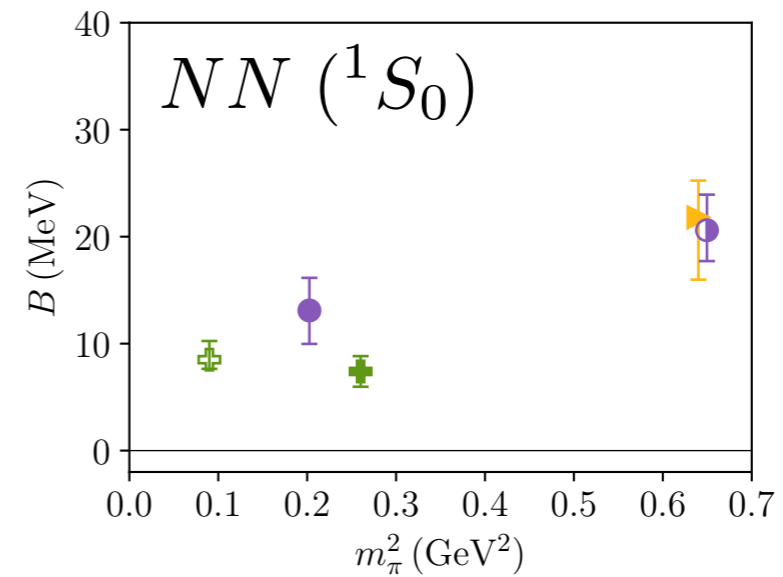
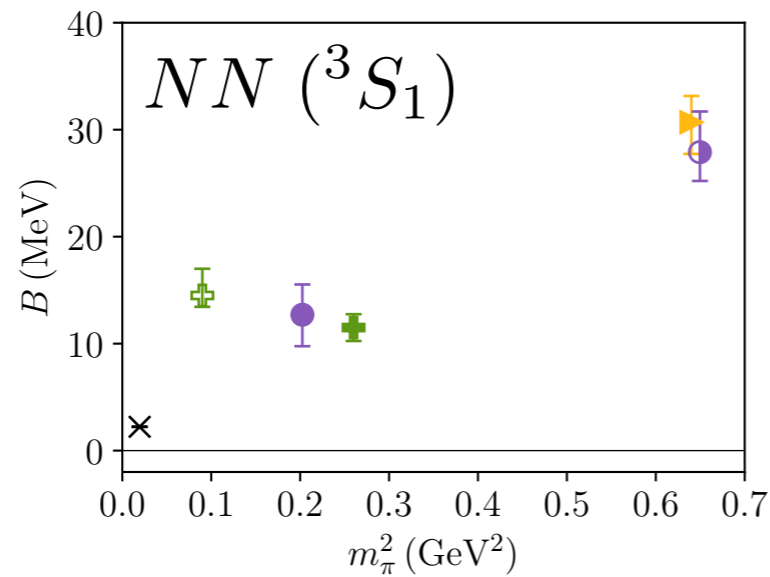
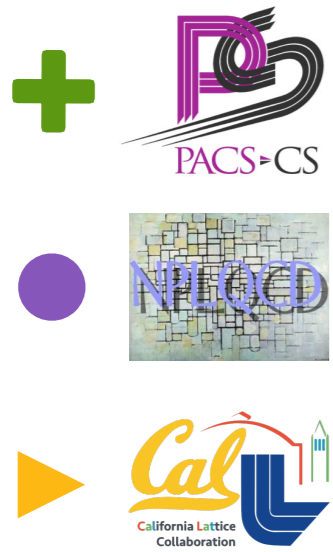
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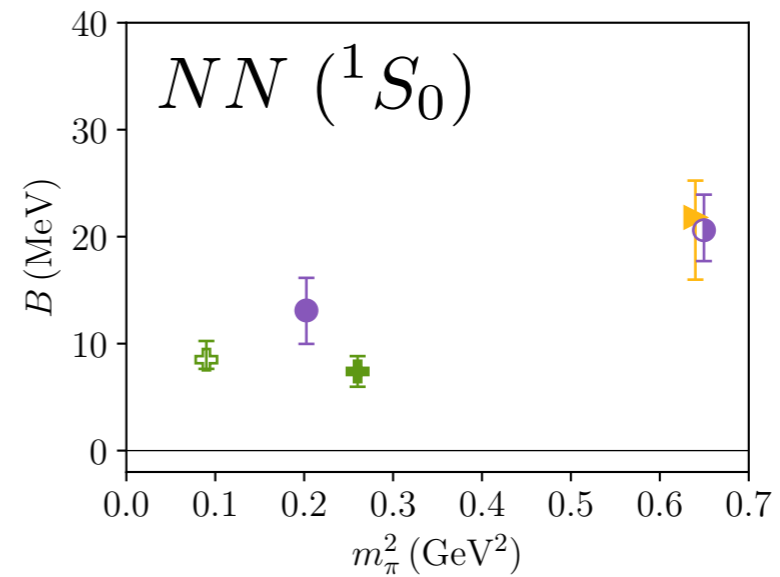
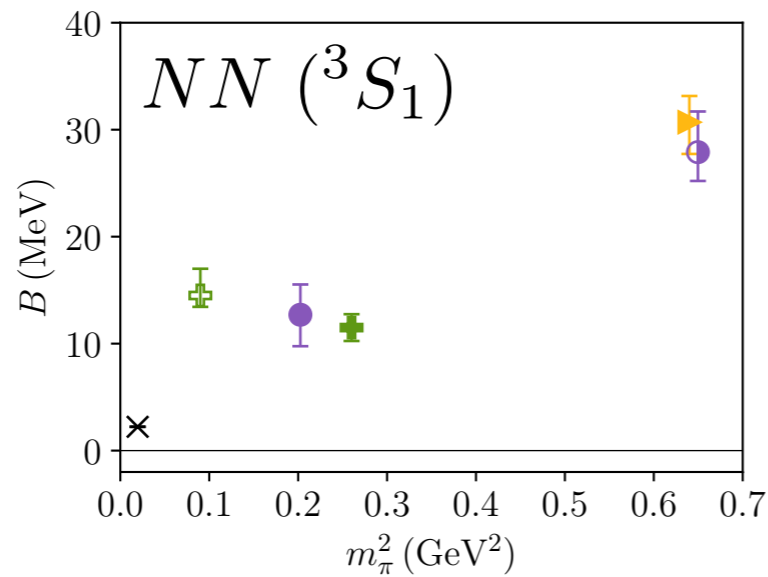
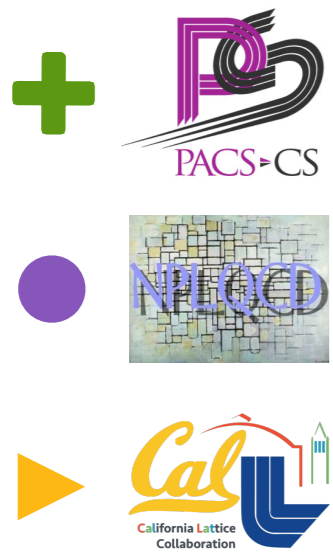
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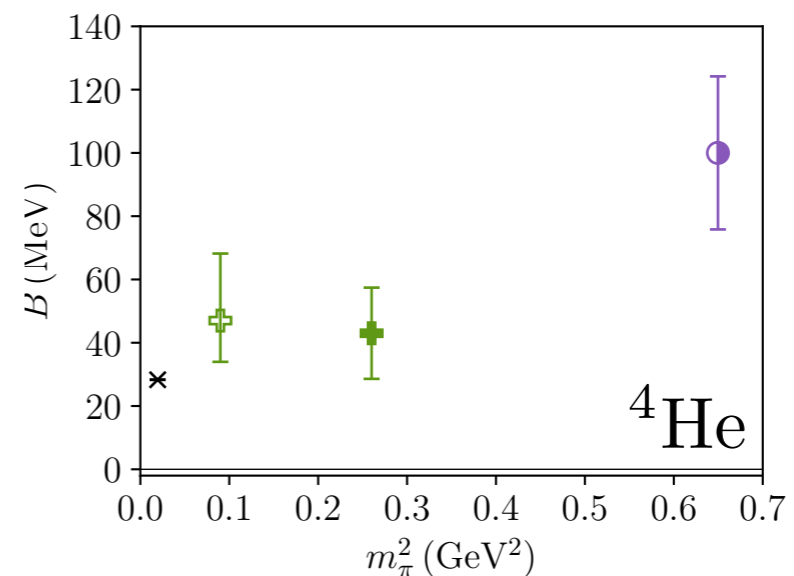
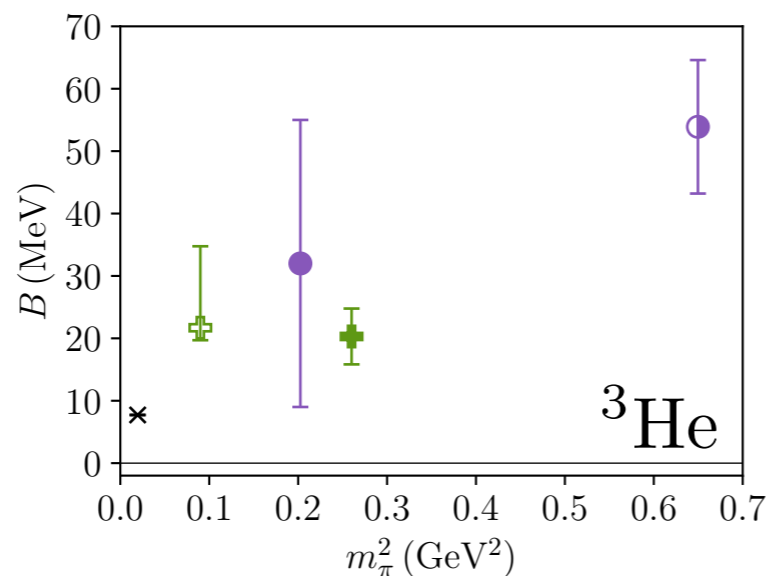


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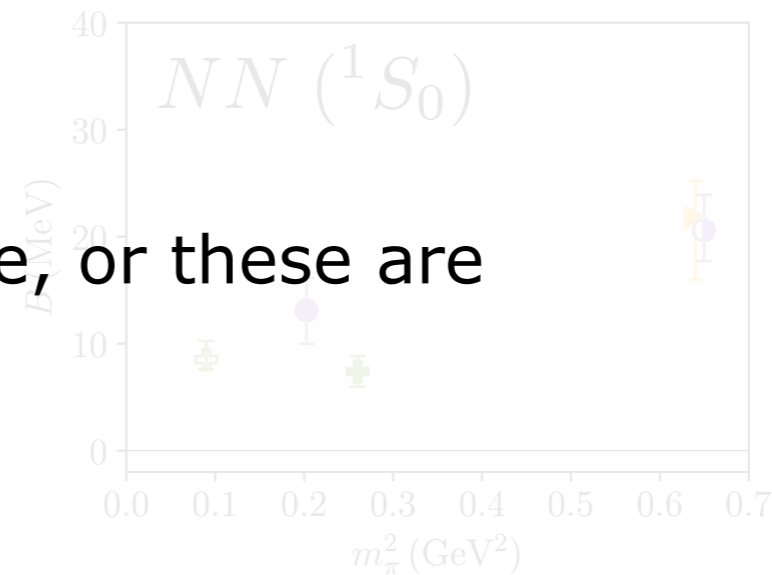
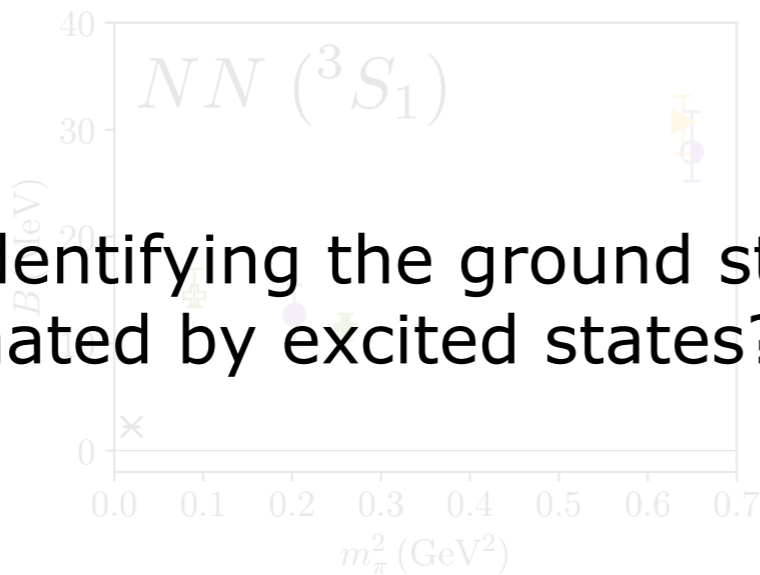


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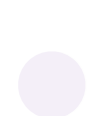
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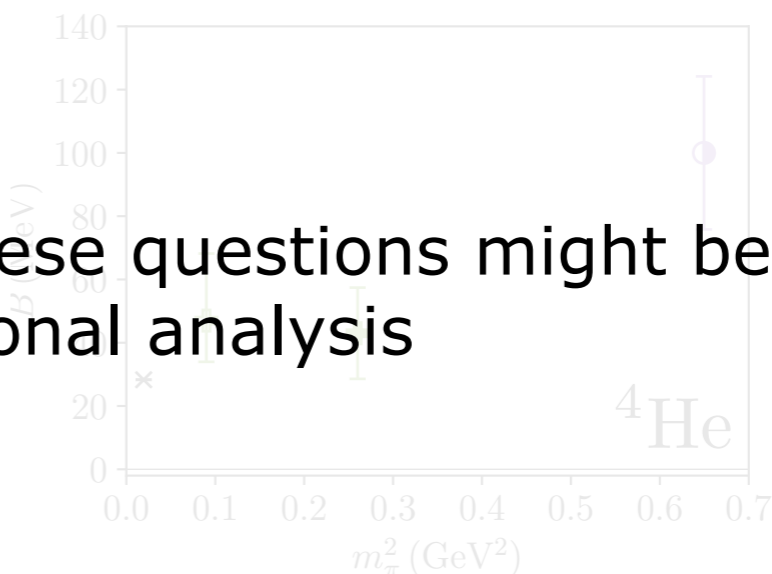
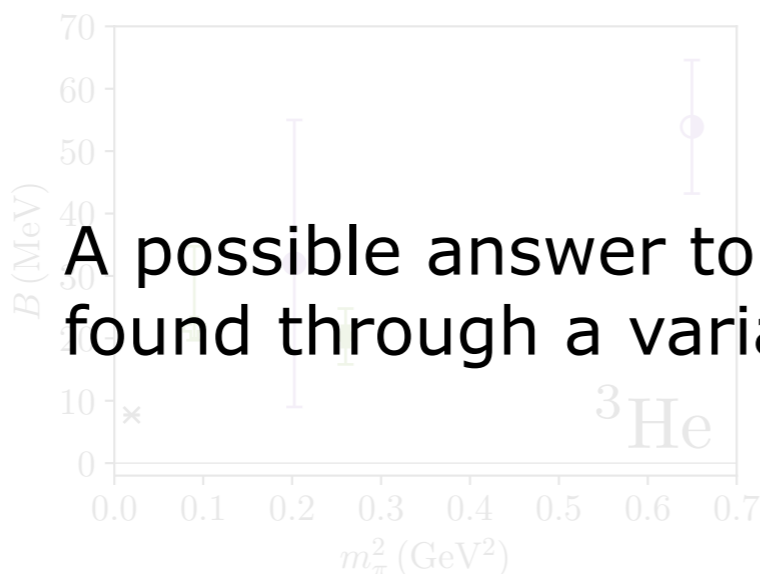
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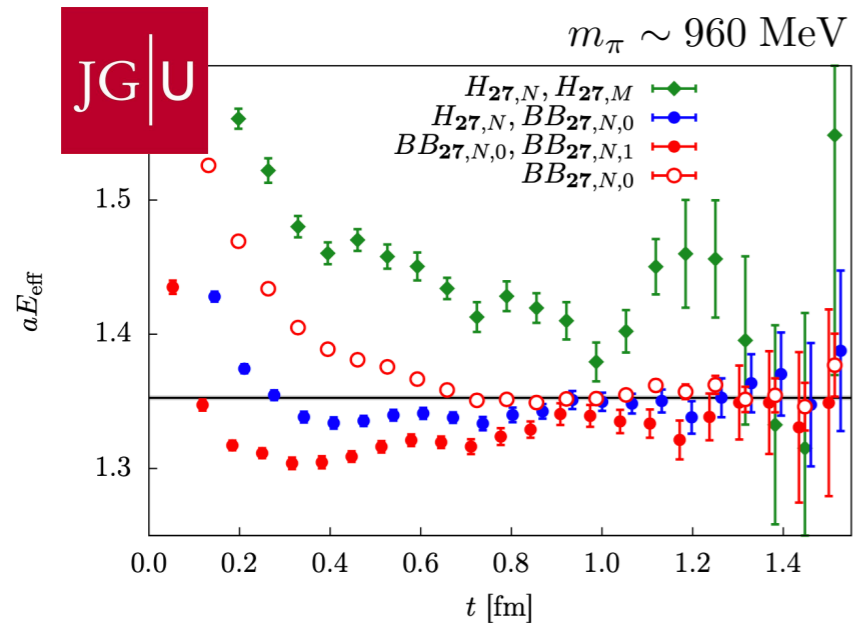


A possible answer to these questions might be found through a variational analysis



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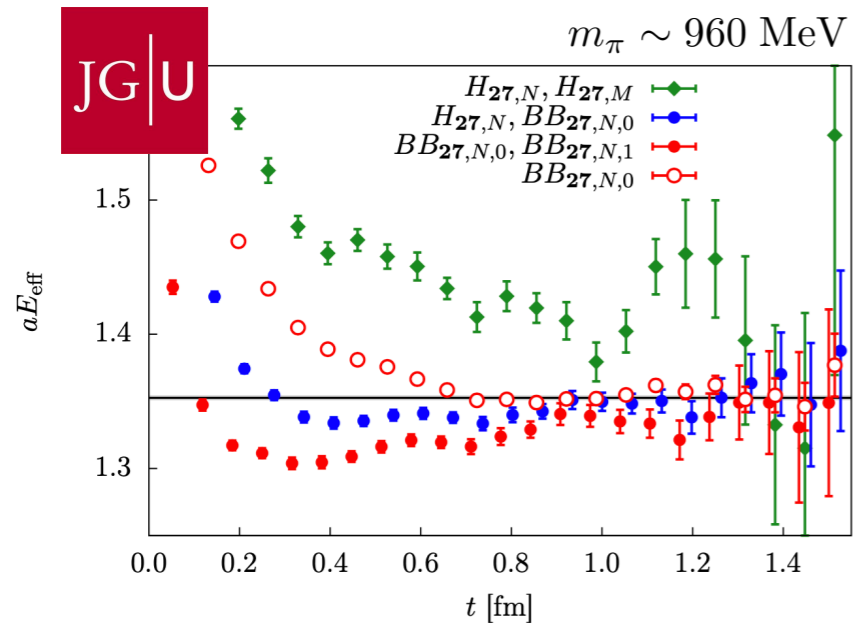
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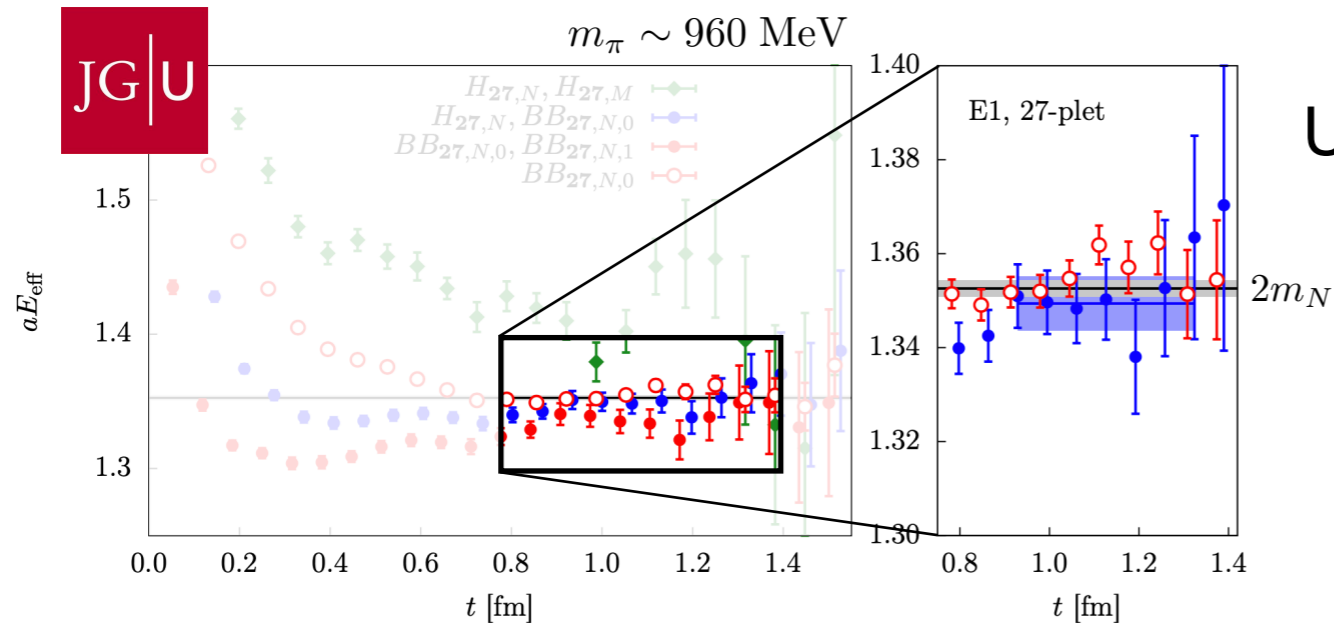
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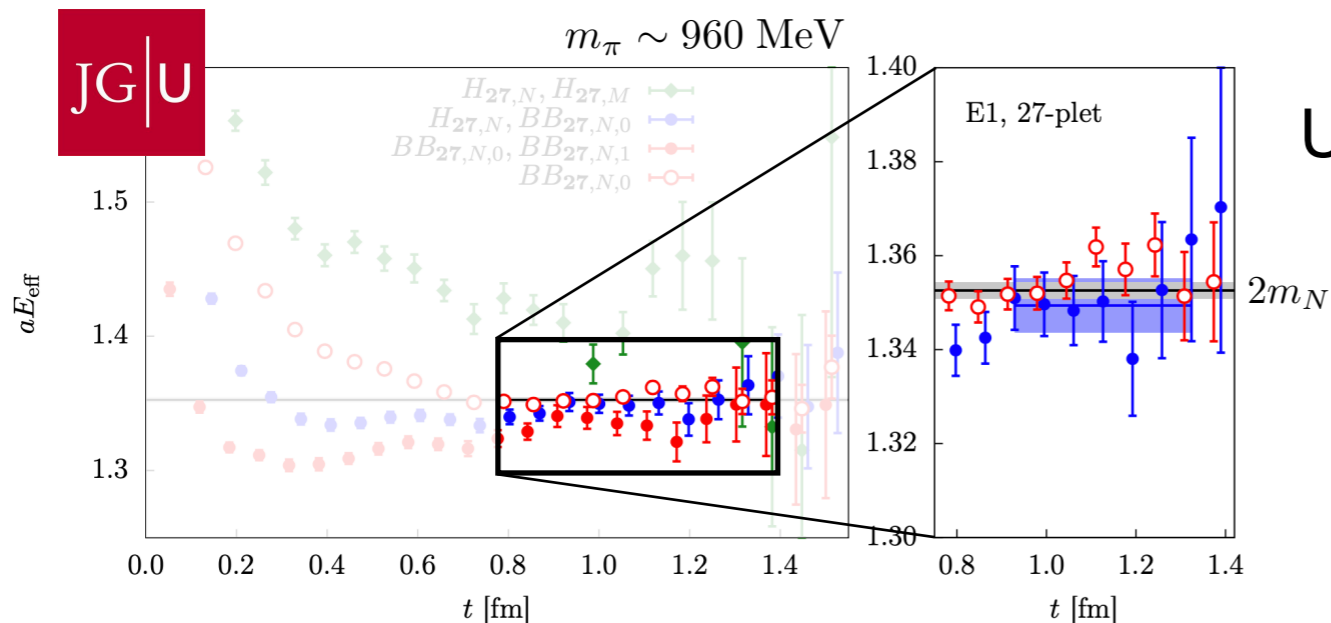
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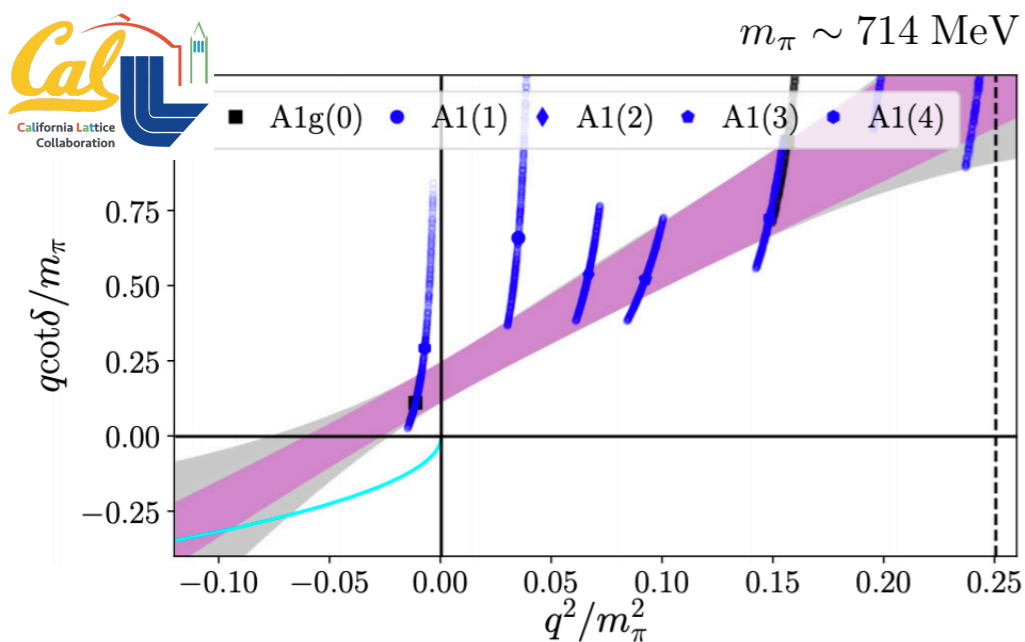


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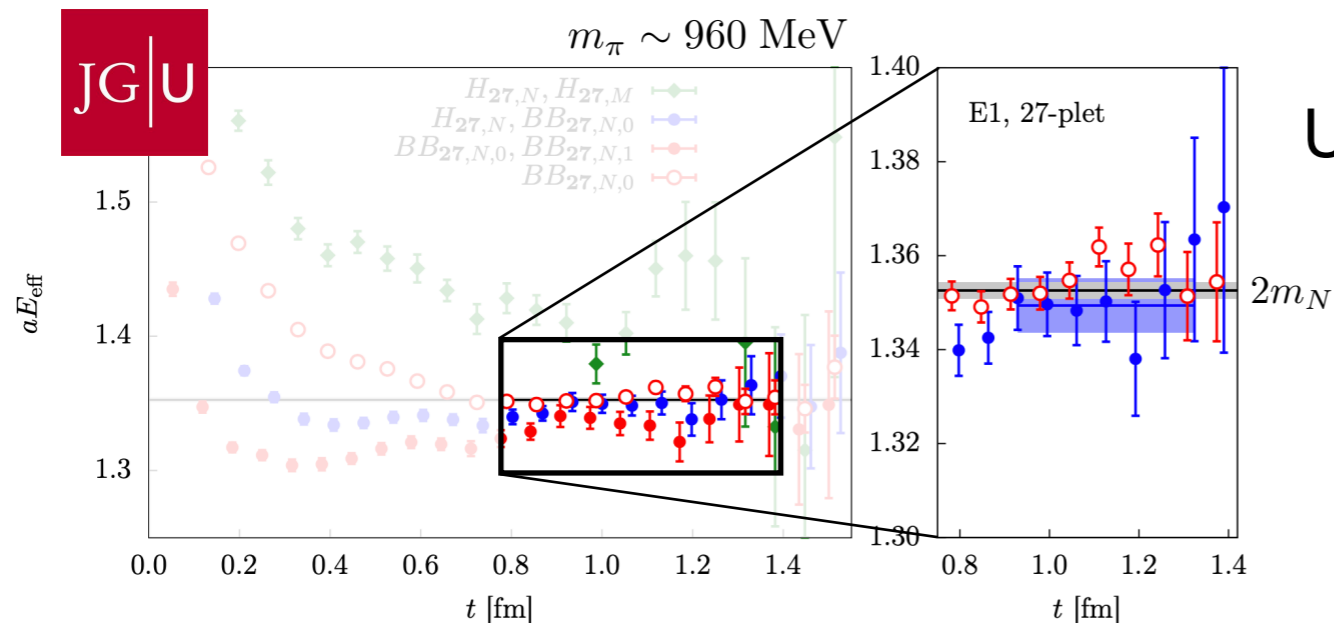
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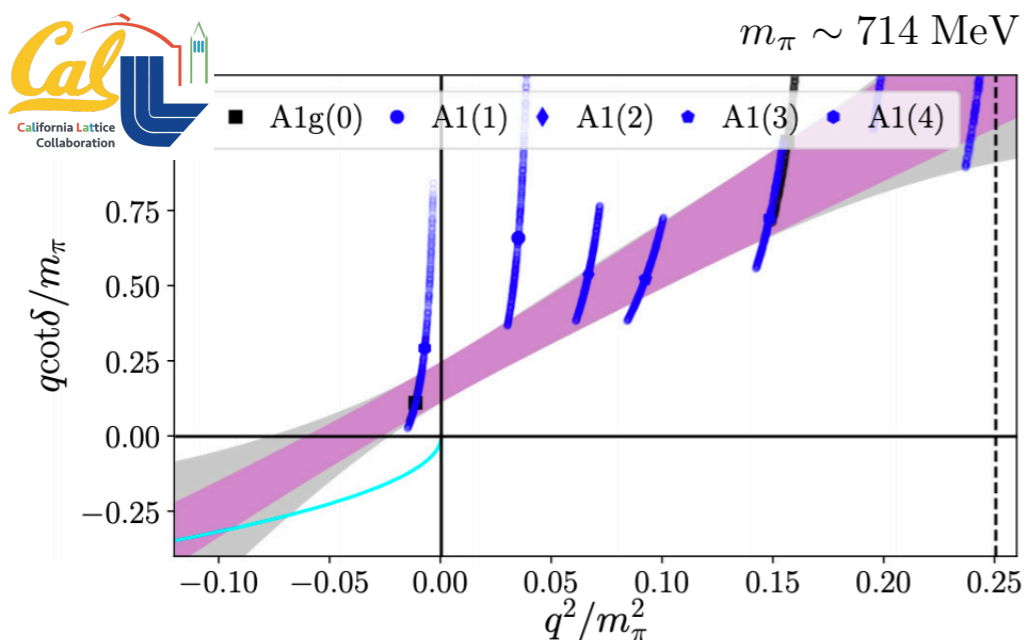


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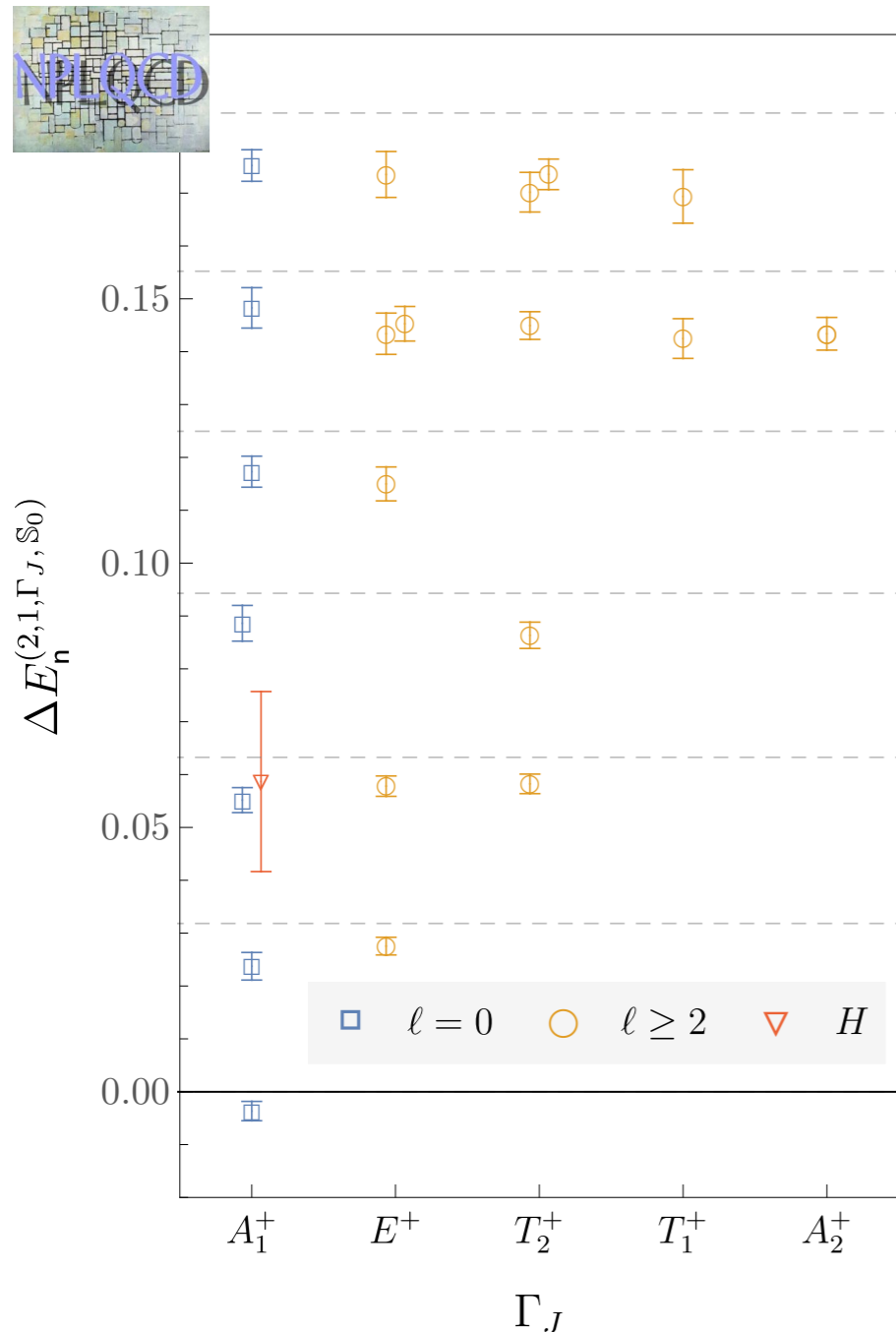
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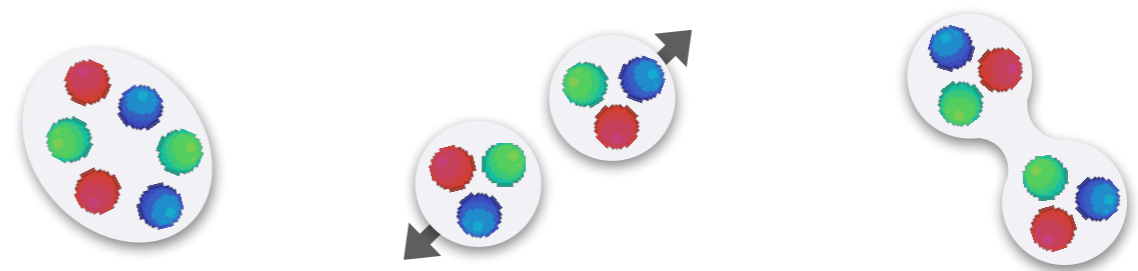
Dineutron channel GEVP spectrum



## Unbound $NN$ ( $^1S_0$ )

Hermitian matrices with three operators:

- Hexaquark
- Dibaryon
- Quasilocal  $\longrightarrow$  EFT inspired, with wavefunction that decays exponentially



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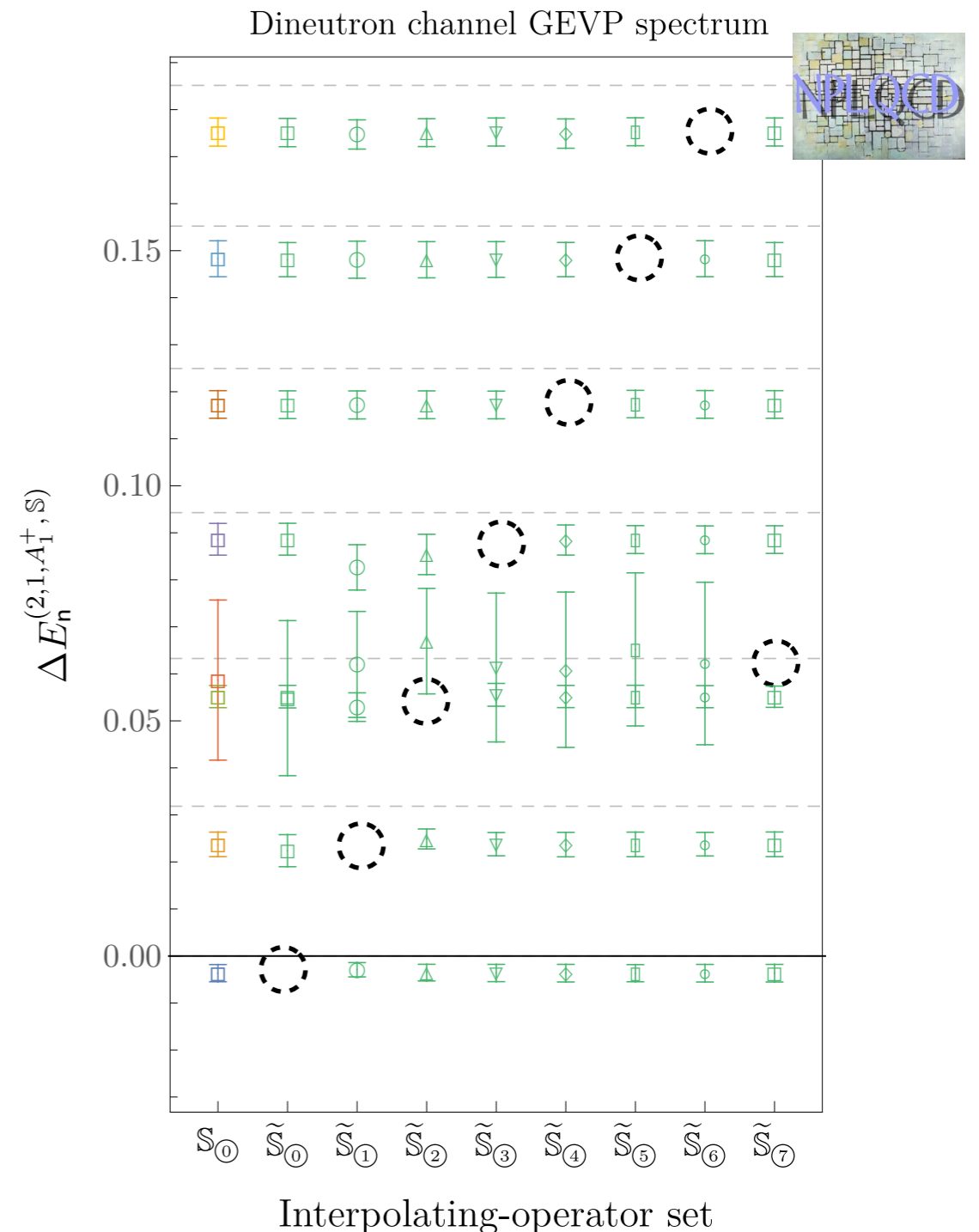
Large interpolating-operator dependence is observed

Energy levels disappear when the operator with the corresponding larger overlap is removed

$\pi\pi$  Dudek et al. [HadSpec], PRD87 (2013)  
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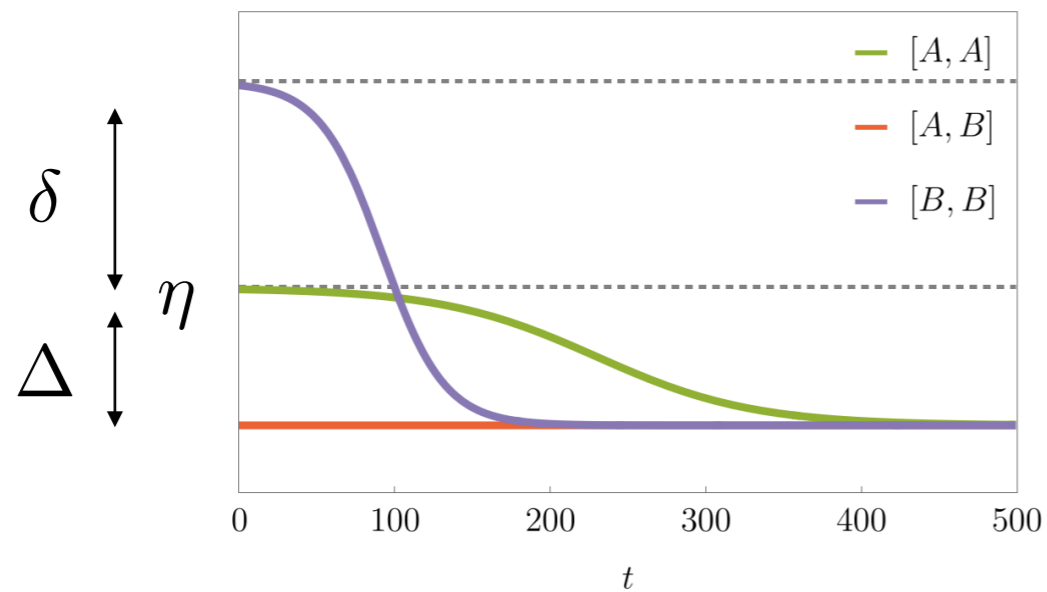


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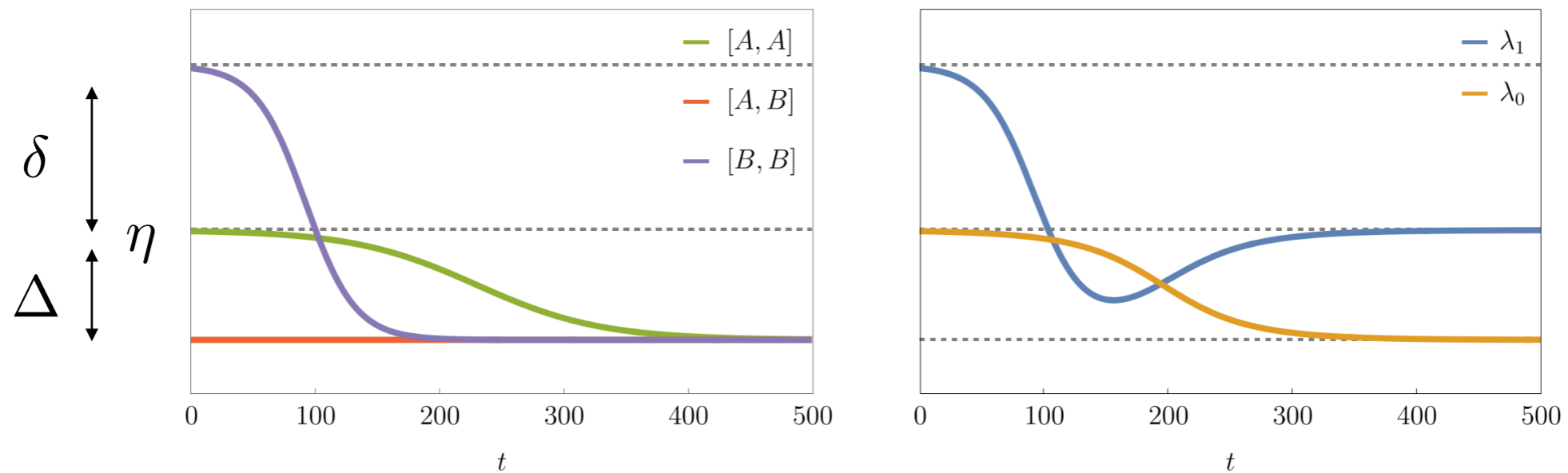
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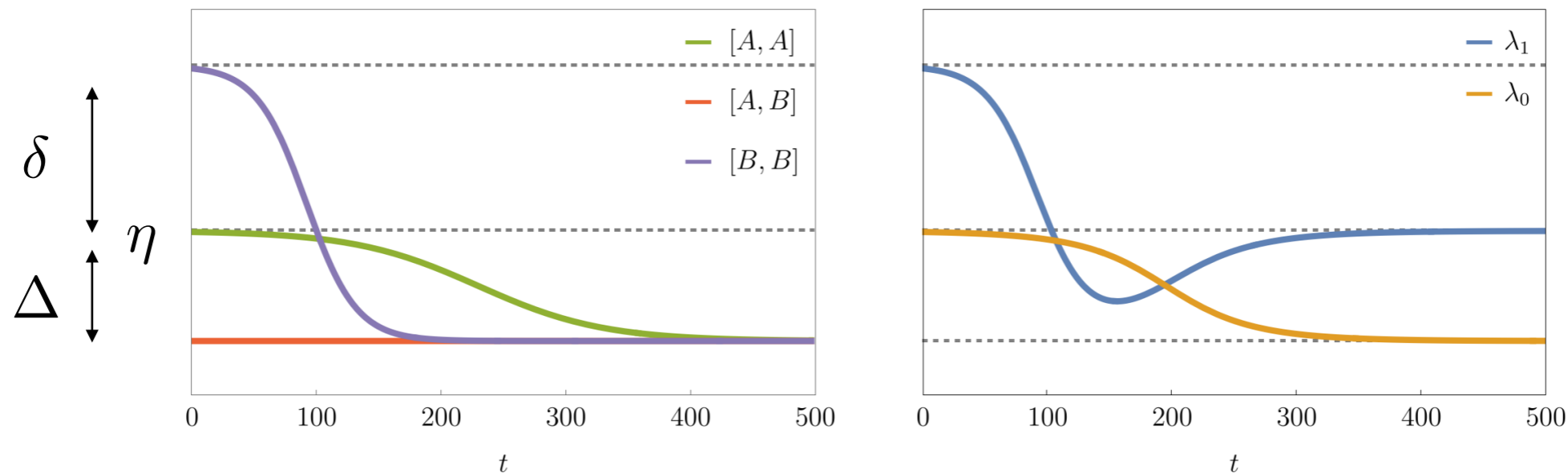
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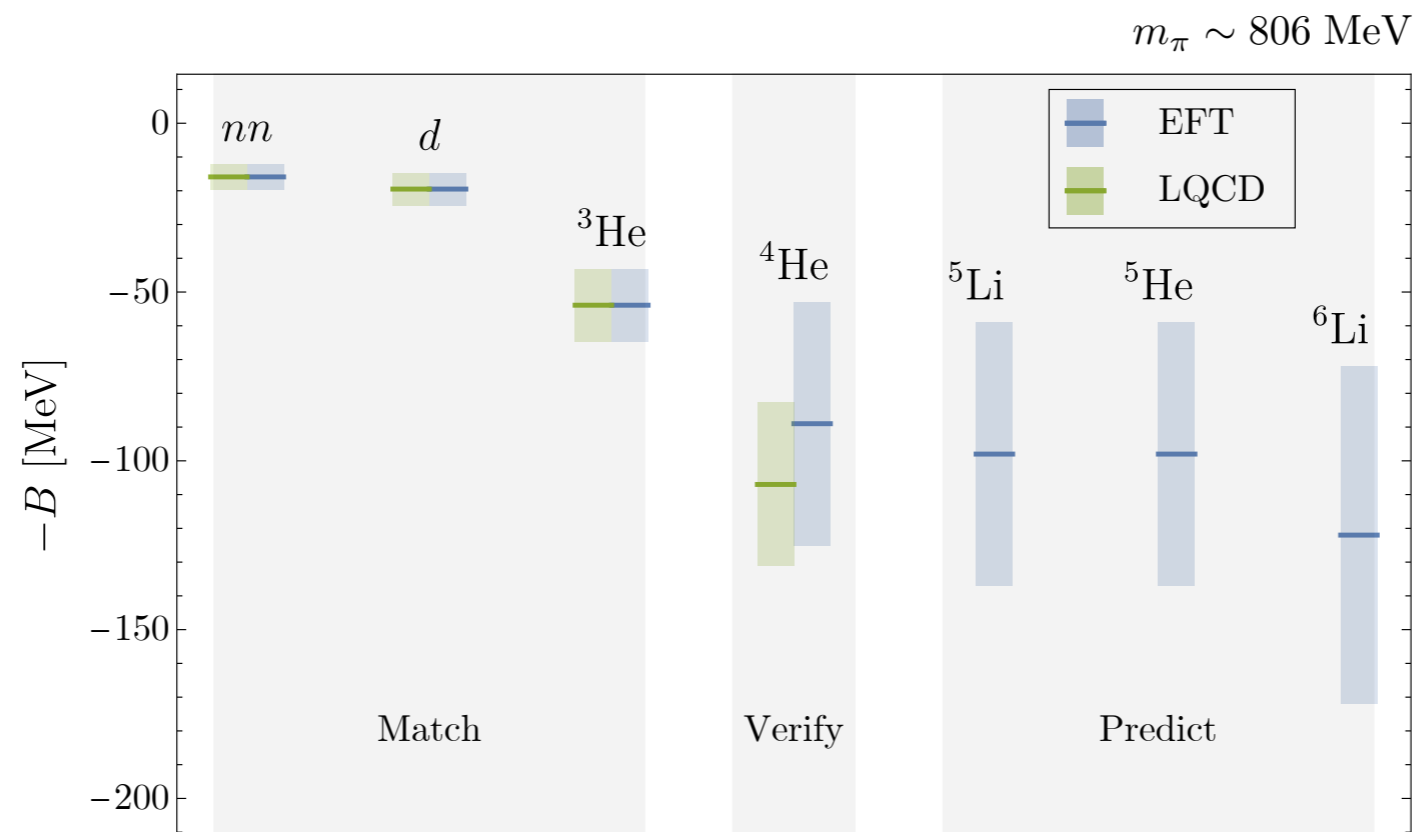


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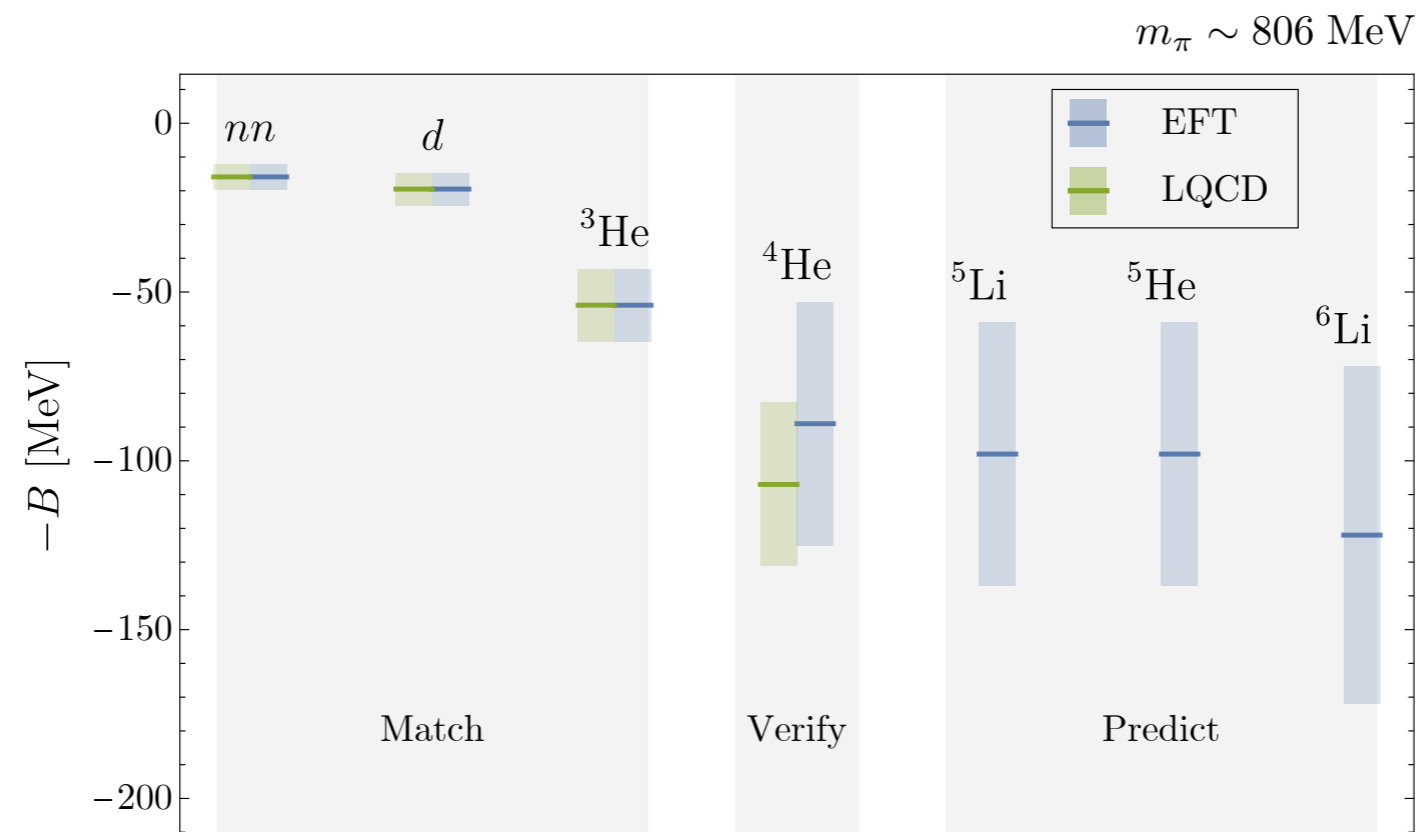


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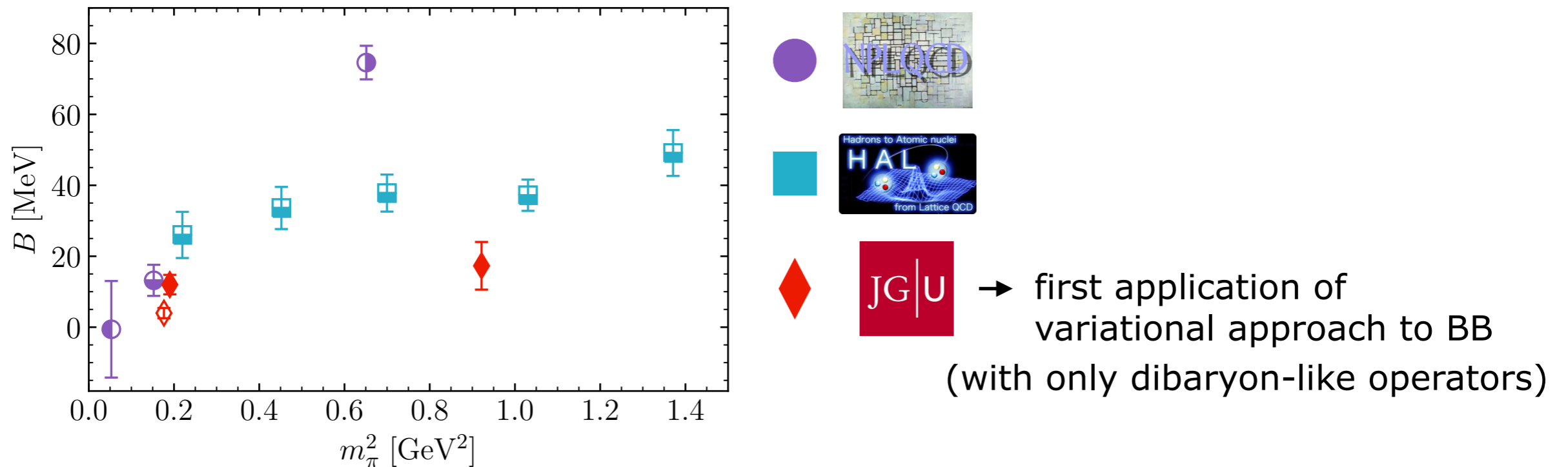
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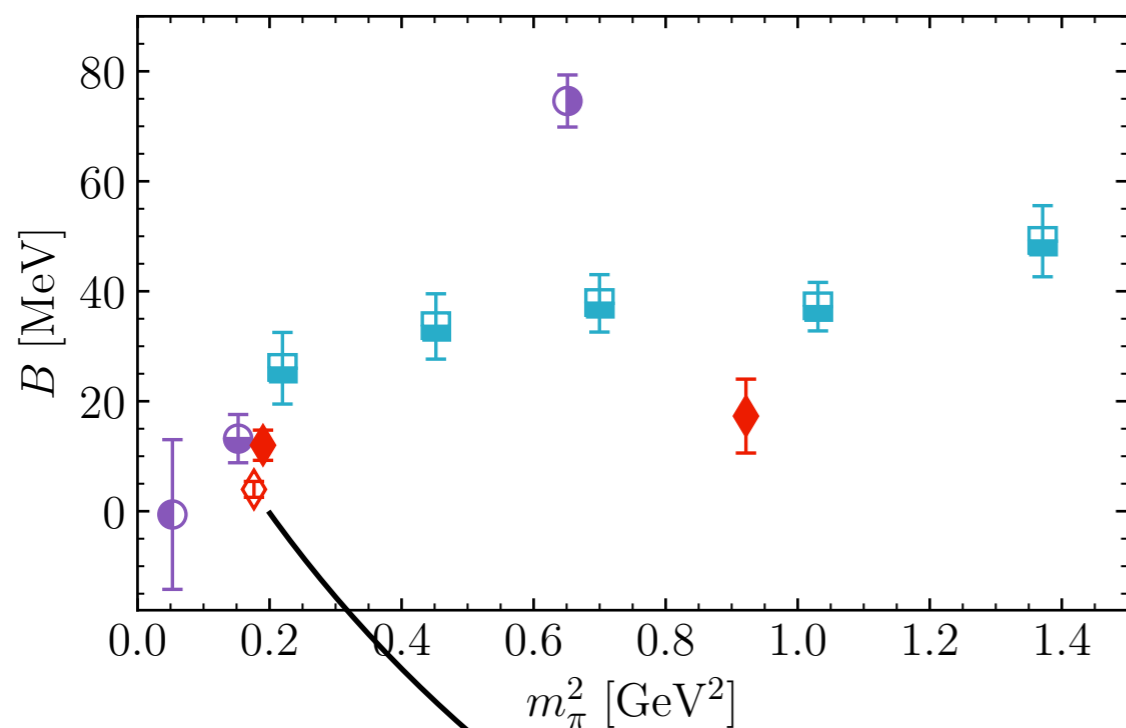
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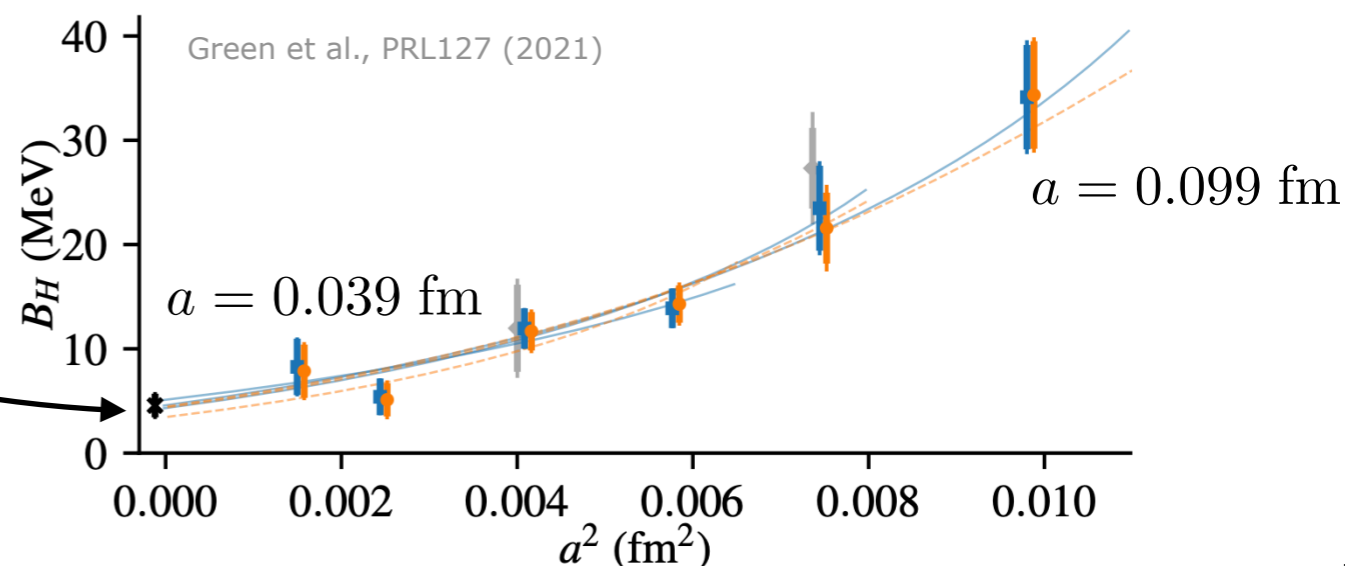
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→ first application of variational approach to BB (with only dibaryon-like operators)

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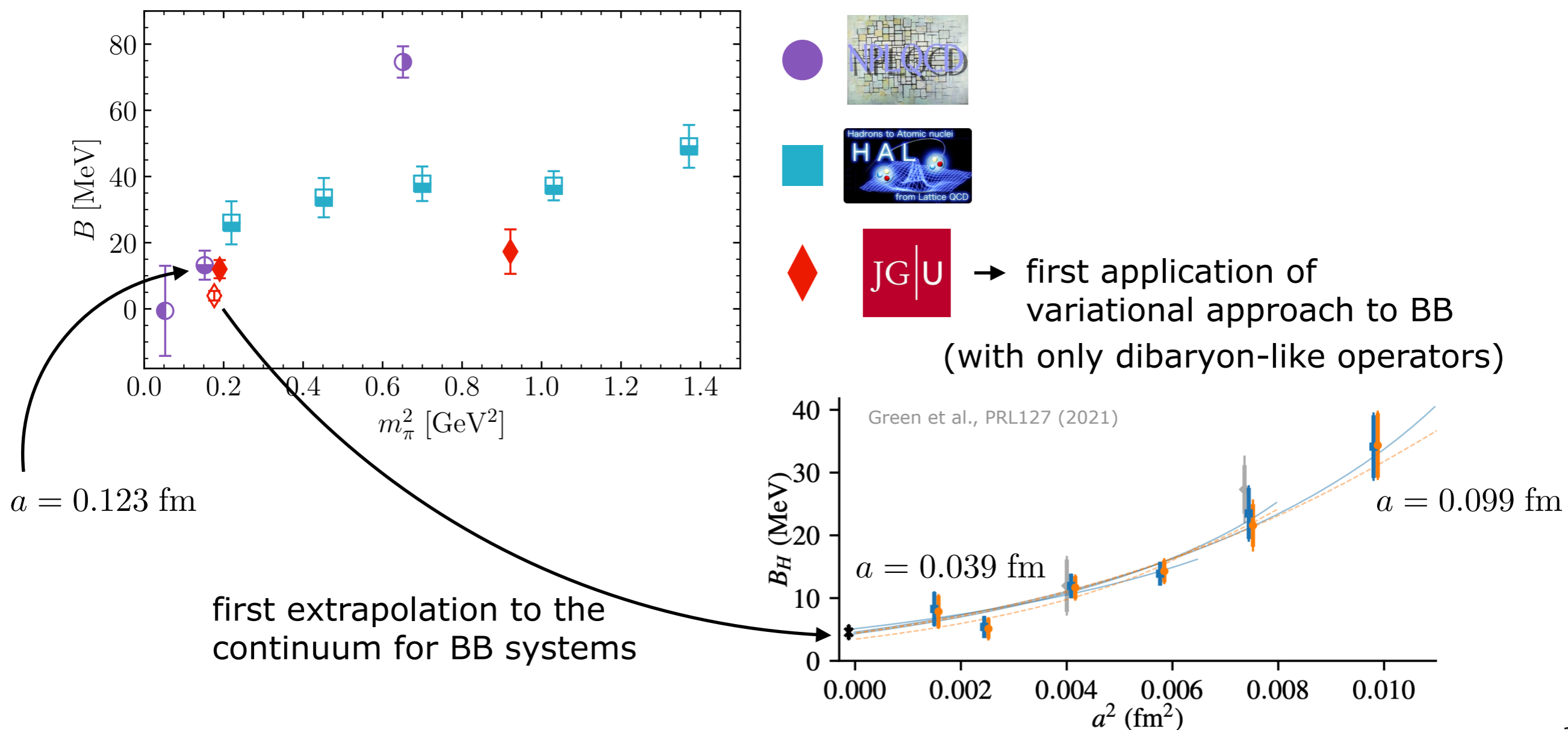




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# Summary

We can use LQCD to reach systems that are difficult for experimentalists (like strange systems)

It is still not clear what the best operators are to include in a variational analysis for two-baryon systems

Ongoing study with additional operators and additional volumes at  $m_\pi \sim 806$  MeV

Starting production for different baryon-baryon systems closer to the physical point ( $m_\pi \sim 170$  MeV) with different volumes

Beyond spectroscopy, matrix elements relevant for current experiments are being pursued (momentum fraction,  $\beta$ -decay and  $\beta\beta$ -decay, scalar and tensor ME,...)



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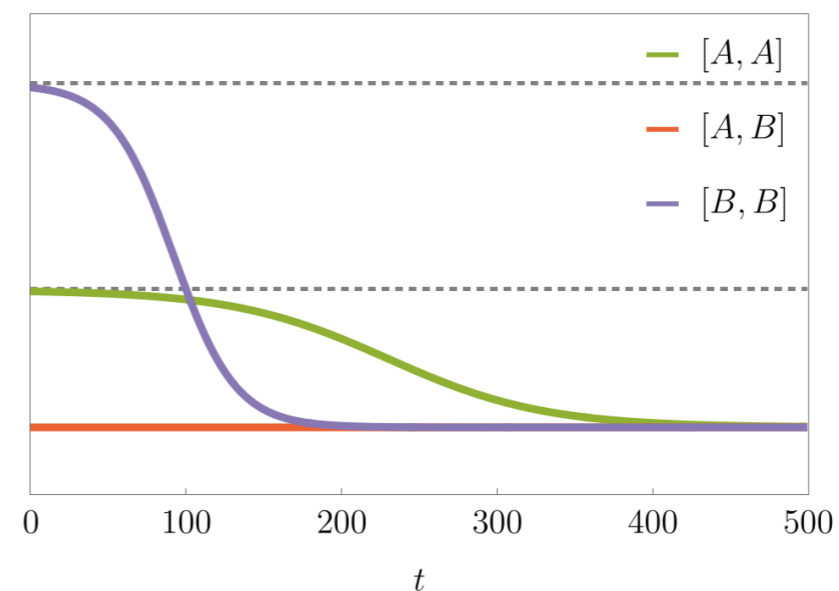
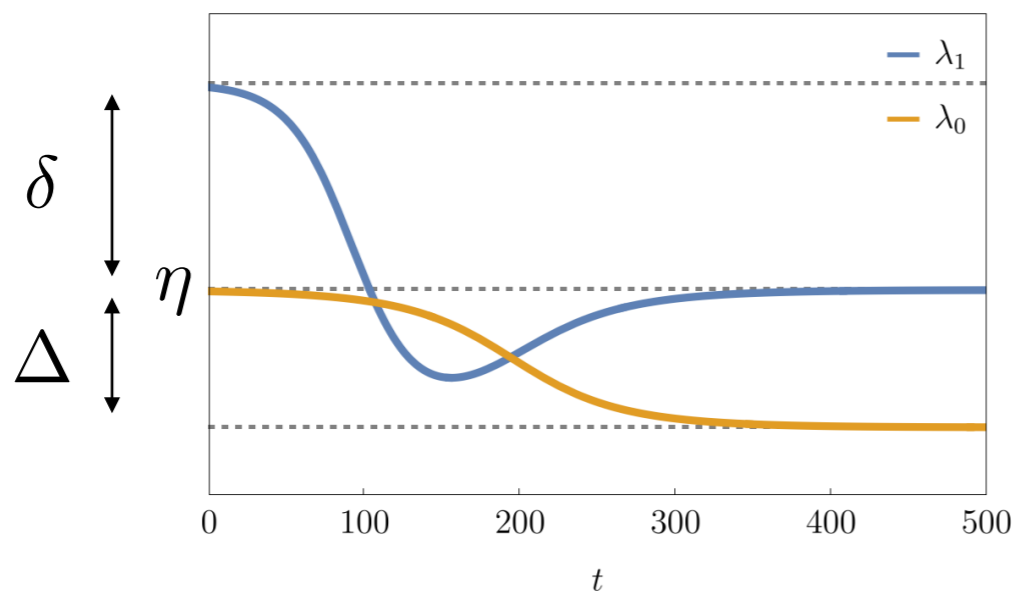
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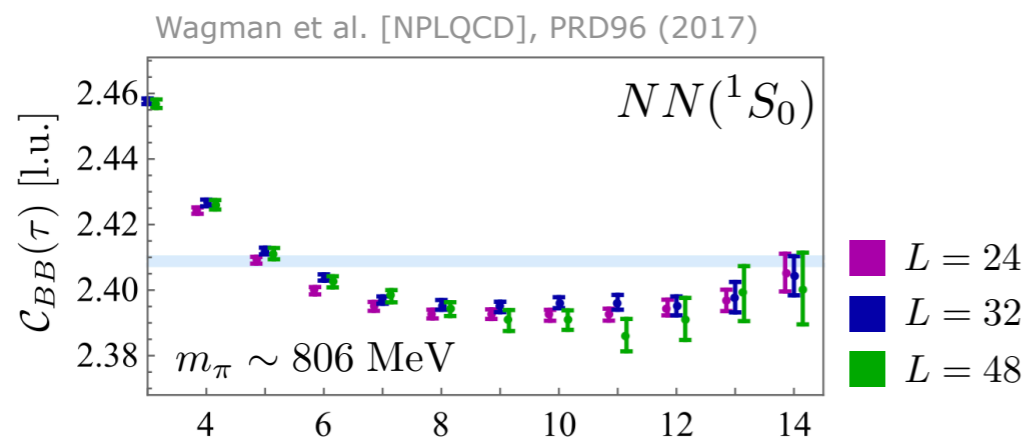
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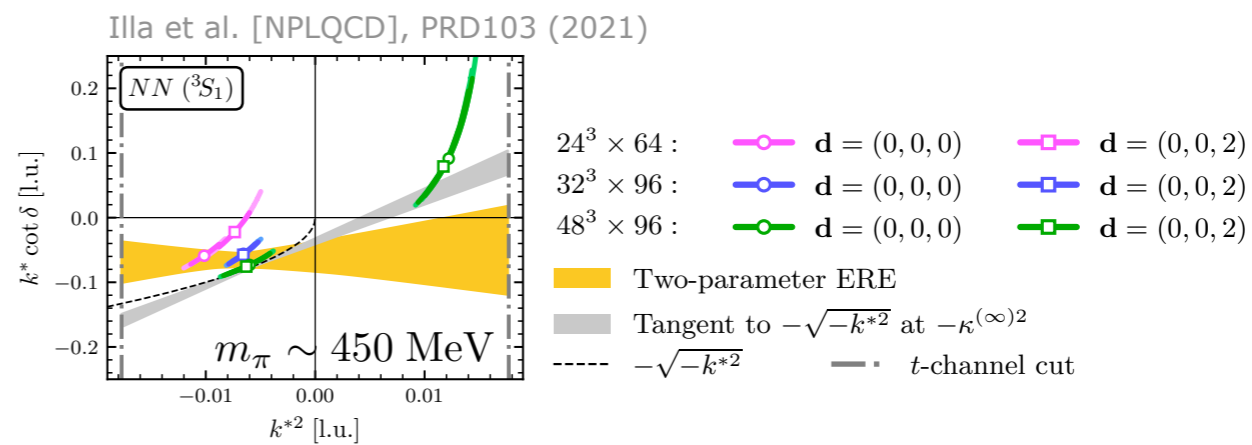


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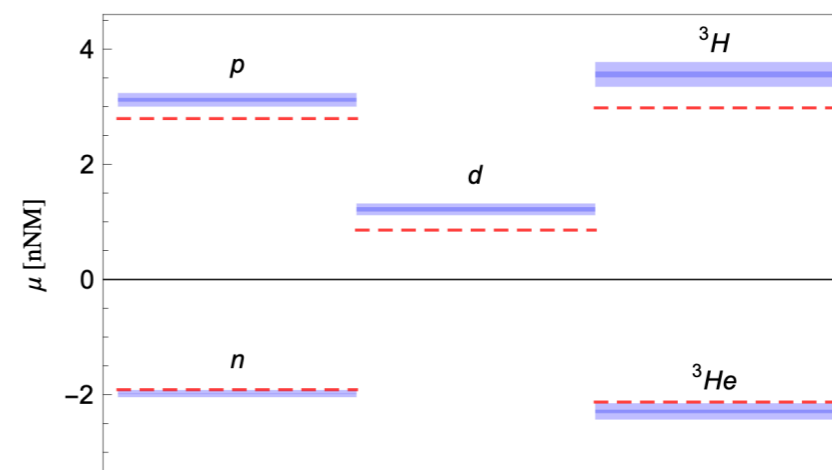
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	Direct calculation	Feynman-Hellmann approach	$m_\pi \sim 806$ MeV
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${}^3\text{He}$	$-40(22)$	$-50.8(11.8)$	

Consistency in scalar ME extraction

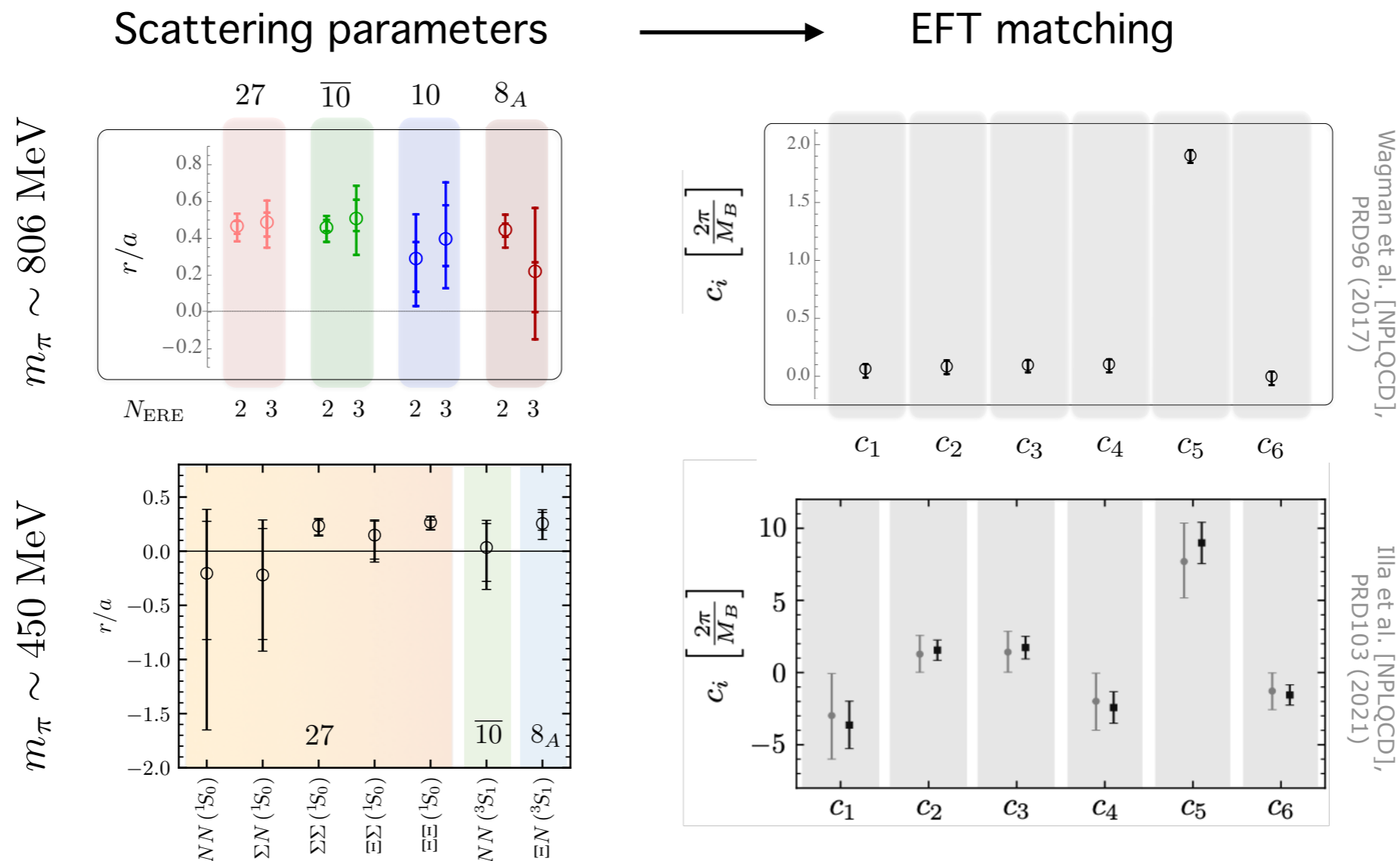
Beane et al. [NPLQCD], PRL113 (2014)



Magnetic moments of light nuclei

# Are we missing operators?

Option b) There is no deep-bound state, however...

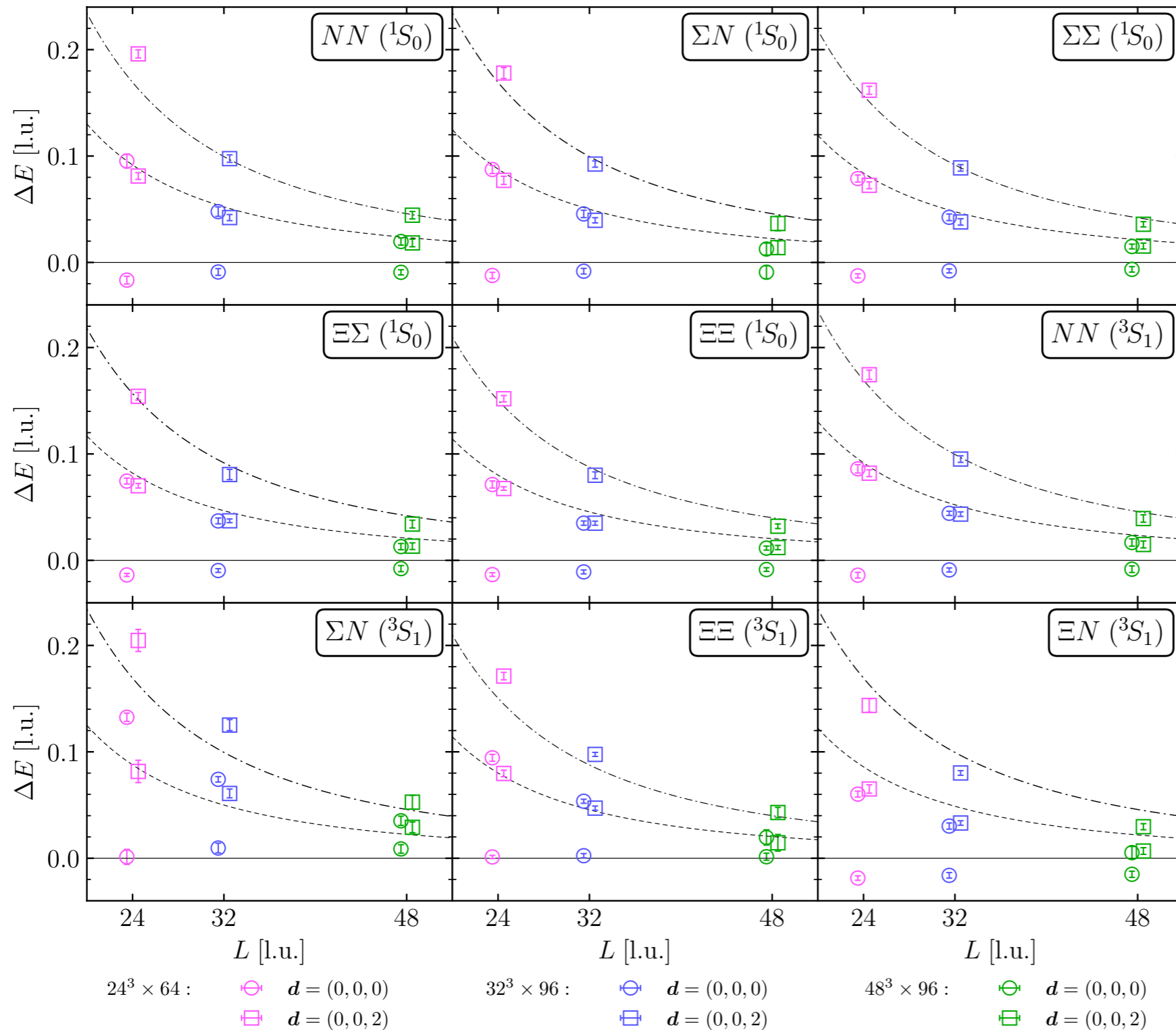


Agreement with large- $N_c$  prediction of an  $SU(6)$  symmetry, and a larger  $SU(16)$  symmetry predicted by the conjecture that entanglement is minimized in low-energy processes Beane, Kaplan, Klco, Savage, PRL122 (2019)

# Studying the BB interaction

Illa et al. [NPLQCD], PRD103 (2021)

$m_\pi \sim 450$  MeV



$24^3 \times 64$  :  $\circ$   $\mathbf{d} = (0, 0, 0)$   
 $\square$   $\mathbf{d} = (0, 0, 2)$

$32^3 \times 96$  :  $\circ$   $\mathbf{d} = (0, 0, 0)$   
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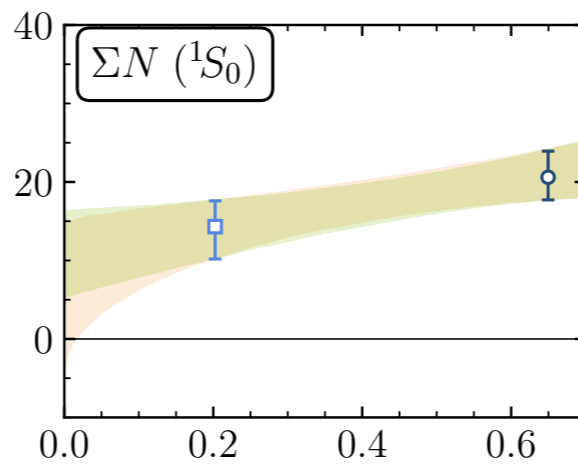
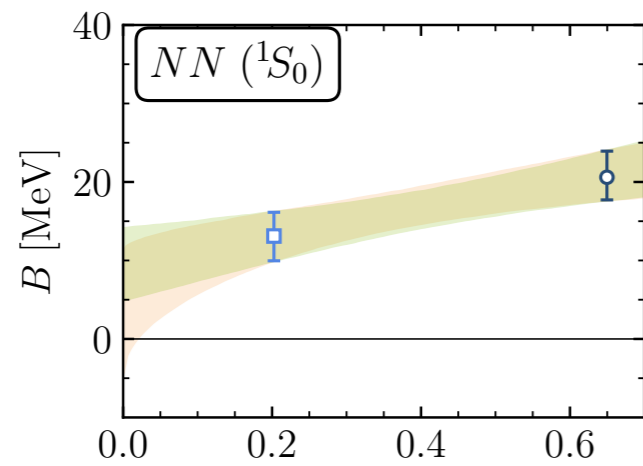
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A total of 12 kinematic points per system

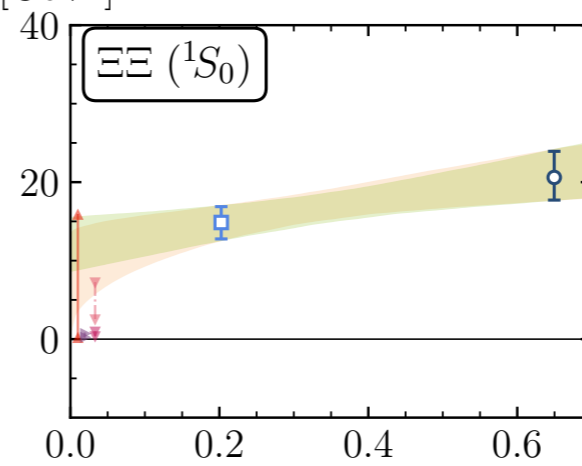
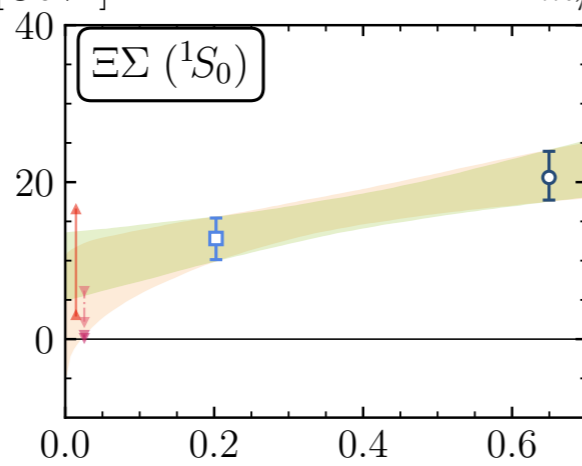
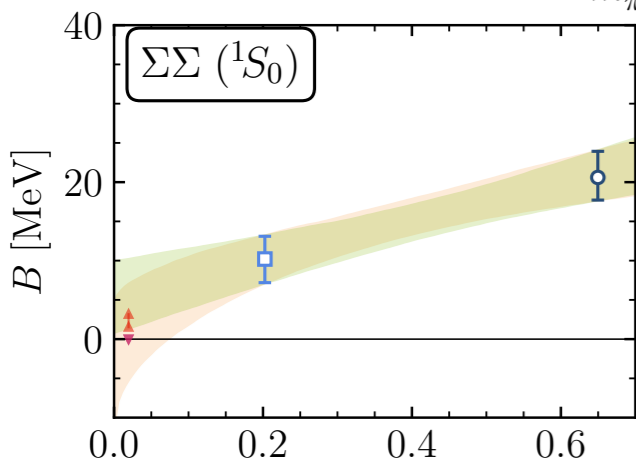
Not all systems show negative ground-state energies

# Studying the BB interaction

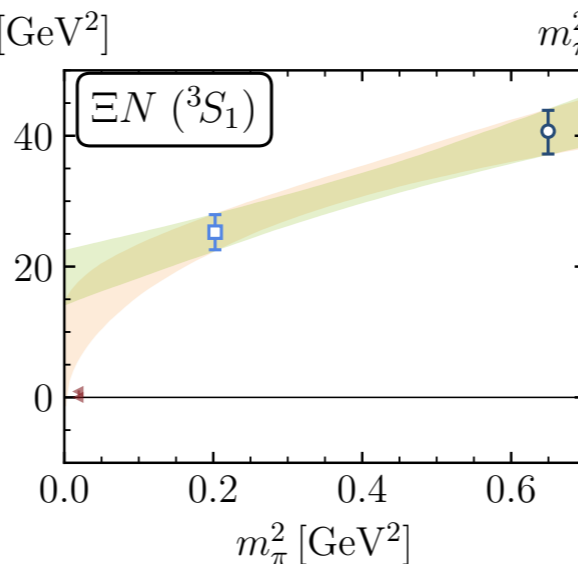
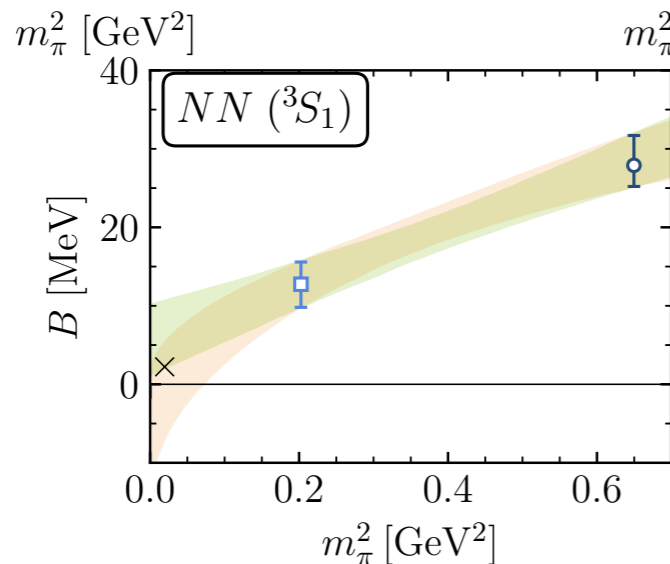
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- NPLQCD  $n_f = 3$  ( $m_\pi \sim 806$  MeV)
- NPLQCD  $n_f = 2 + 1$  ( $m_\pi \sim 450$  MeV)
- Linear extrapolation in  $m_\pi$
- Quadratic extrapolation in  $m_\pi$

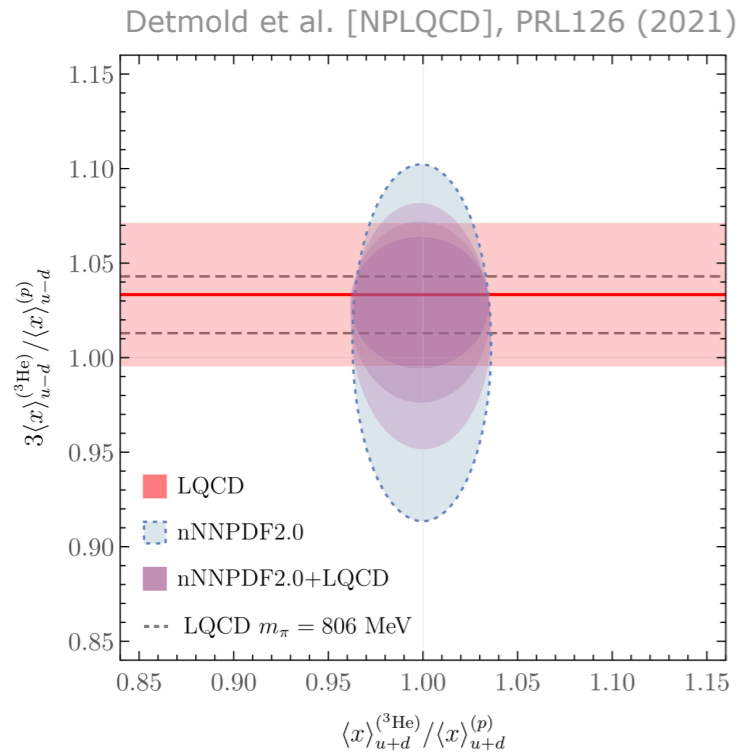


- NSC97
- Ehime
- ESC
- $\chi$ EFT LO
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- Experimental



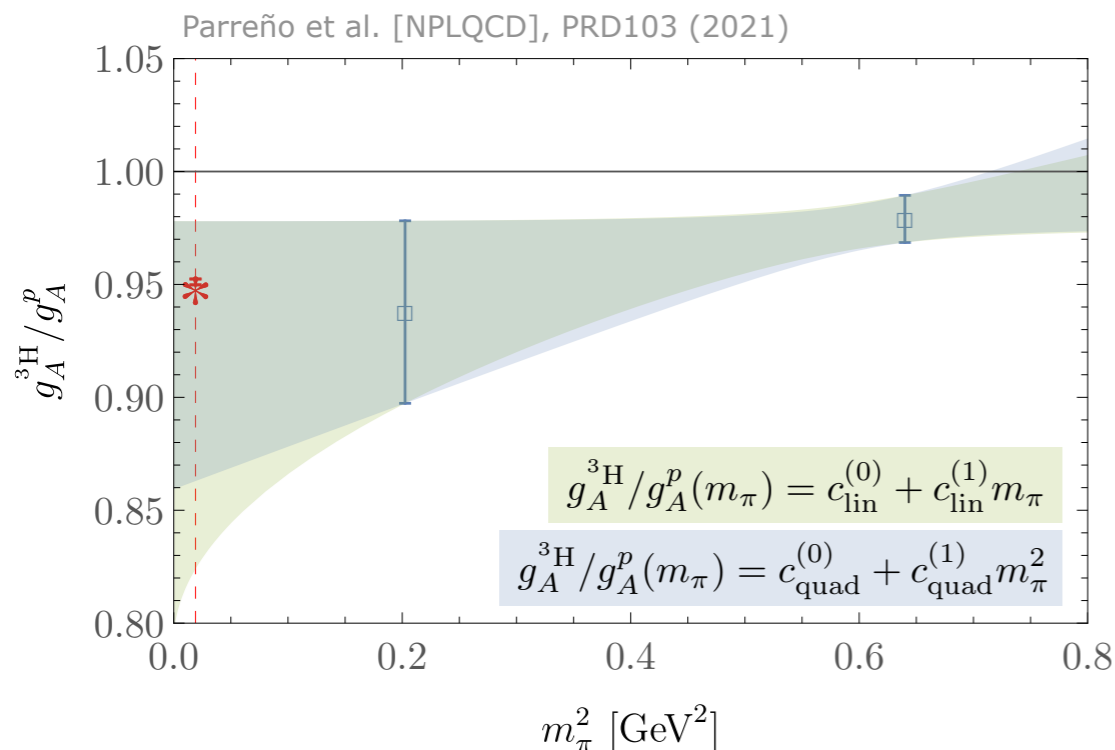


# Matrix elements for nuclear physics



Extraction of the momentum fraction of  $u - d$  in light nuclei

It can help constrain current experimental values, showing the potential for future calculations closer to the physical pion mass



The axial charge of the triton can be extrapolated to the physical point

Pionless EFT was used to extrapolate the finite-volume lattice result to infinite volume