

Bootstrapping gauge theories (QCD)

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very low energy
effective Lagrangian
(lowest order):

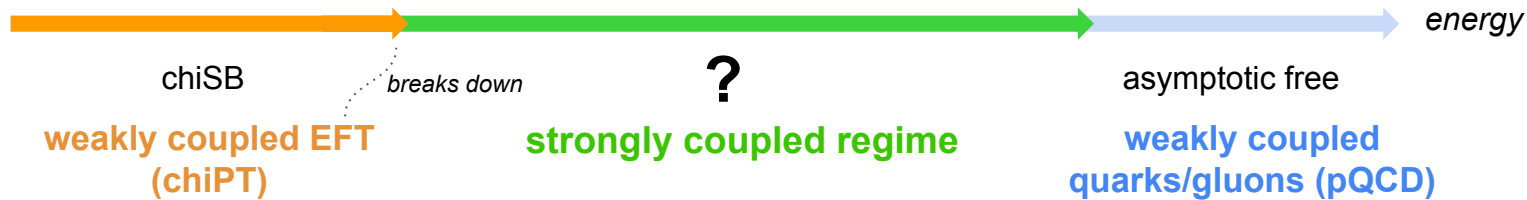
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{f_{\pi}^2}{4} \left\{ \text{Tr} (\partial_{\mu} U \partial^{\mu} U^{\dagger}) + m_{\pi}^2 \text{Tr} (U + U^{\dagger}) \right\} \quad U = e^{i \frac{\vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\pi}}{f_{\pi}}}$$

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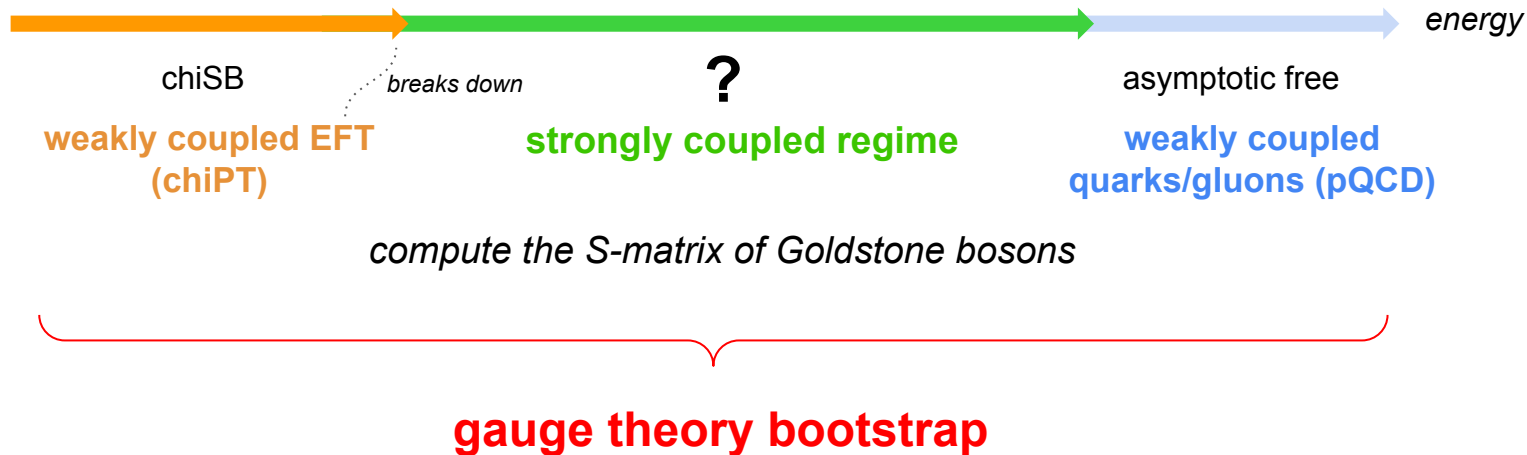
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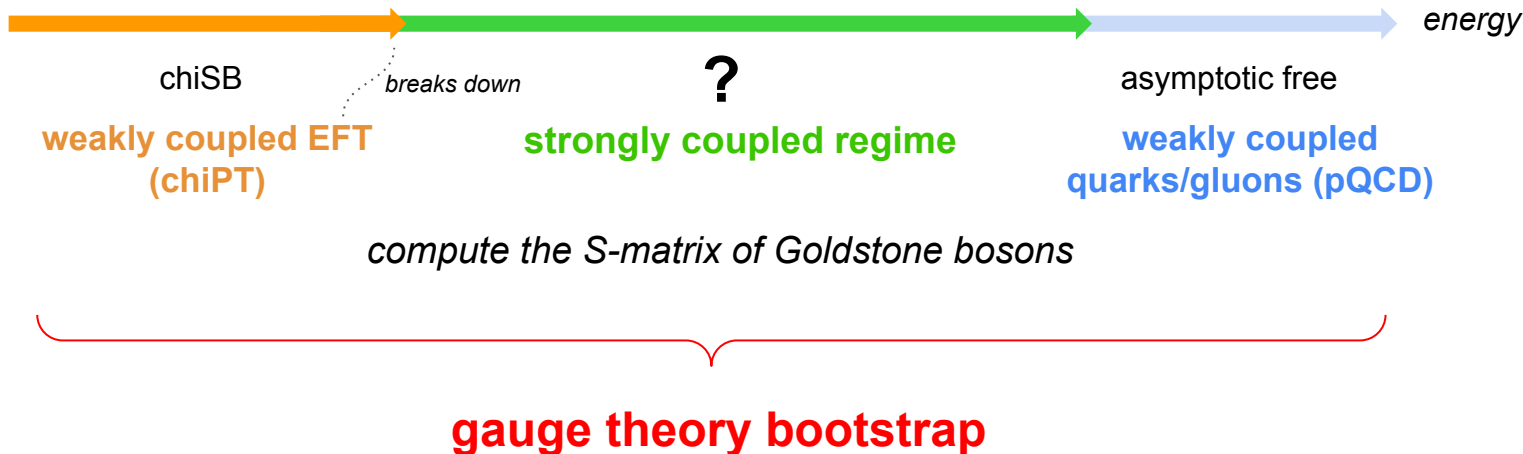
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- rules:**
- assume — chiral symmetry breaking & confinement
 - input — gauge theory parameters – define the theory as few as possible (universal) low energy parameters

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Numerical test of the method: $N_f = 2 \quad N_c = 3$

can be compared with experimental data

for general gauge theories — compare with lattice data

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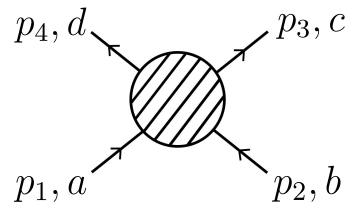
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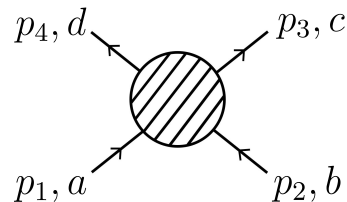


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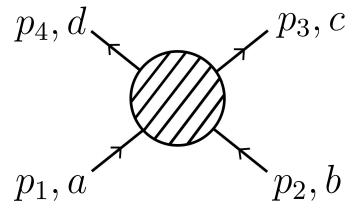
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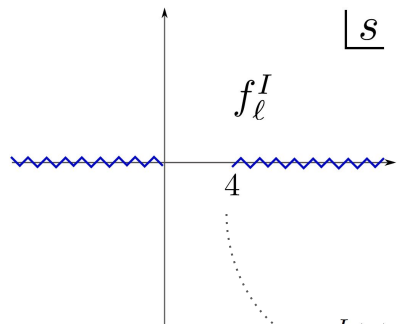
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$$A(s, t, u) = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int_4^\infty dx \int_4^\infty dy \left[\frac{\rho_1(x, y)}{(x-s)(y-t)} + \frac{\rho_1(x, y)}{(x-s)(y-u)} + \frac{\rho_2(x, y)}{(x-t)(y-u)} \right] + \text{subtraction terms}$$

parameters: $\{\rho_{\alpha=1,2}(x, y), \dots\}$

numerics: discretize $\{\rho_{\alpha,ij}, \dots\}$ bootstrap variables

Pure S-matrix bootstrap



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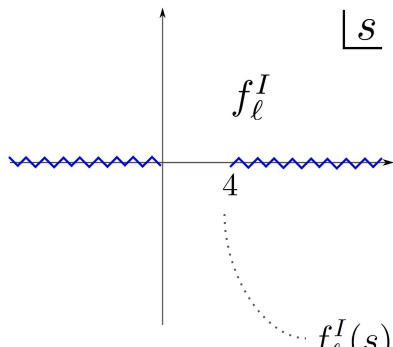


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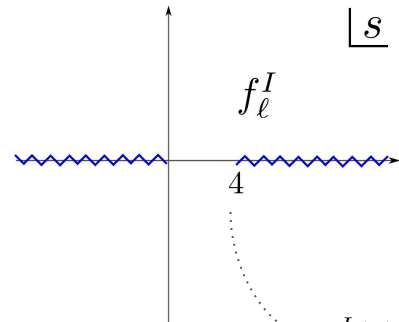


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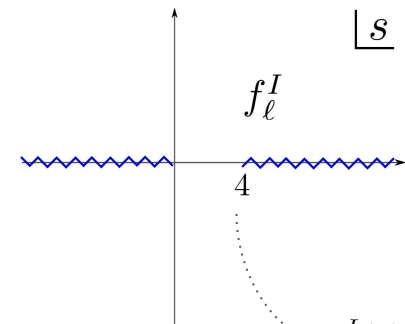
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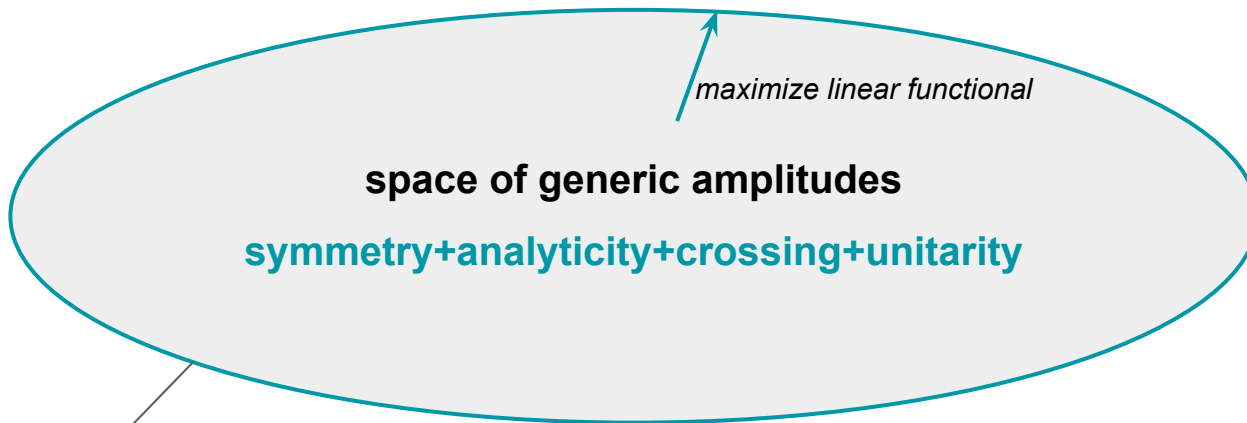
unitarity

positive semidefinite \rightarrow convex space of amplitudes

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & S_\ell^I(s) \\ S_\ell^{I*}(s) & 1 \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

convex optimization

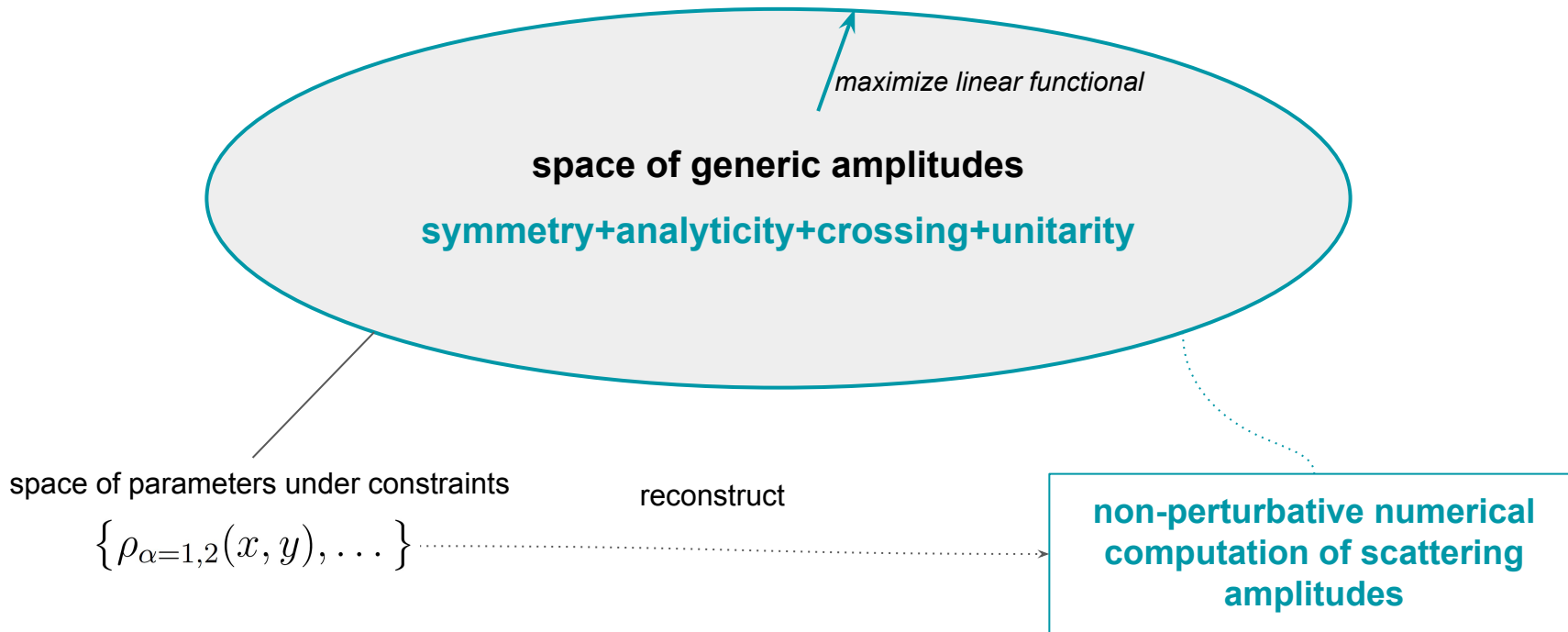
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space of parameters under constraints

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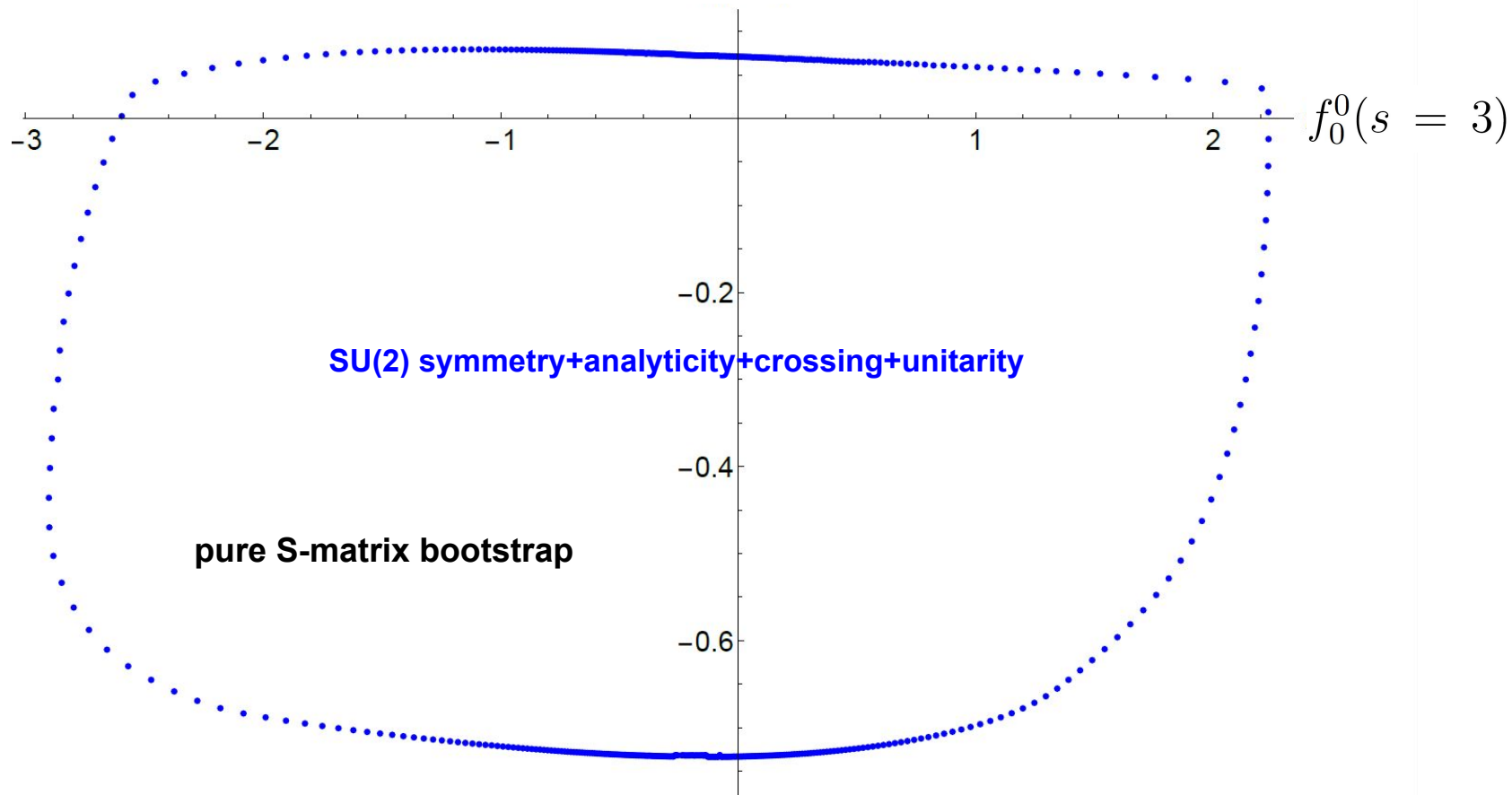
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**project out space of amplitudes
under most generic constraints:
*SU(2) symmetry, analyticity, crossing, unitarity***

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each boundary point: an extremal numerical amplitude

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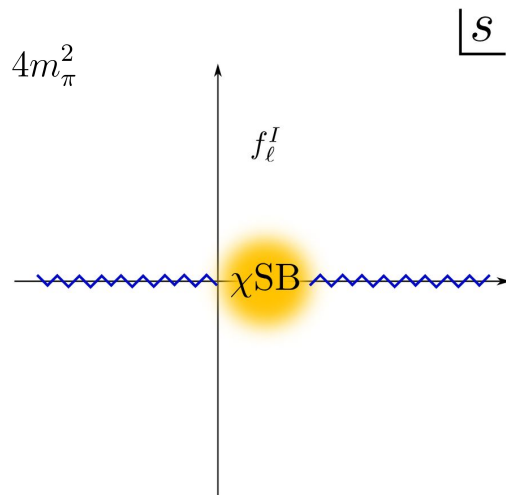
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P1:
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S2:
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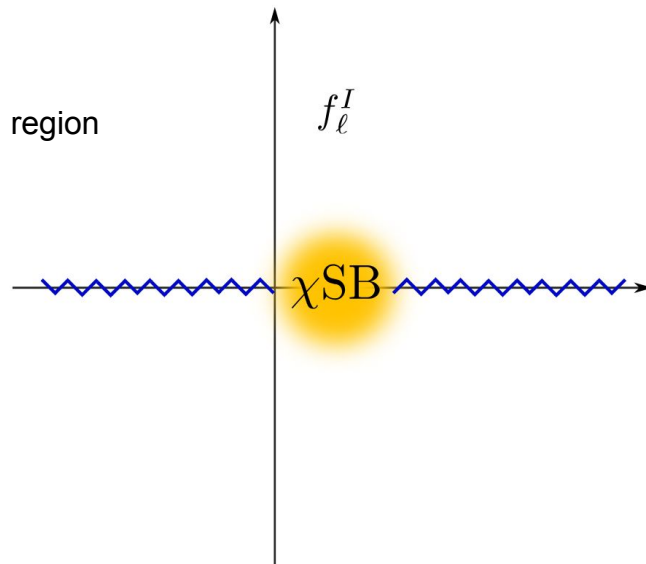
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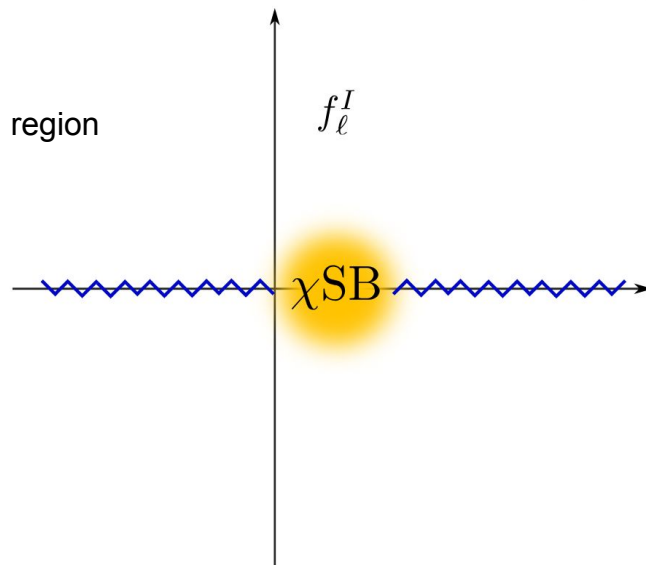
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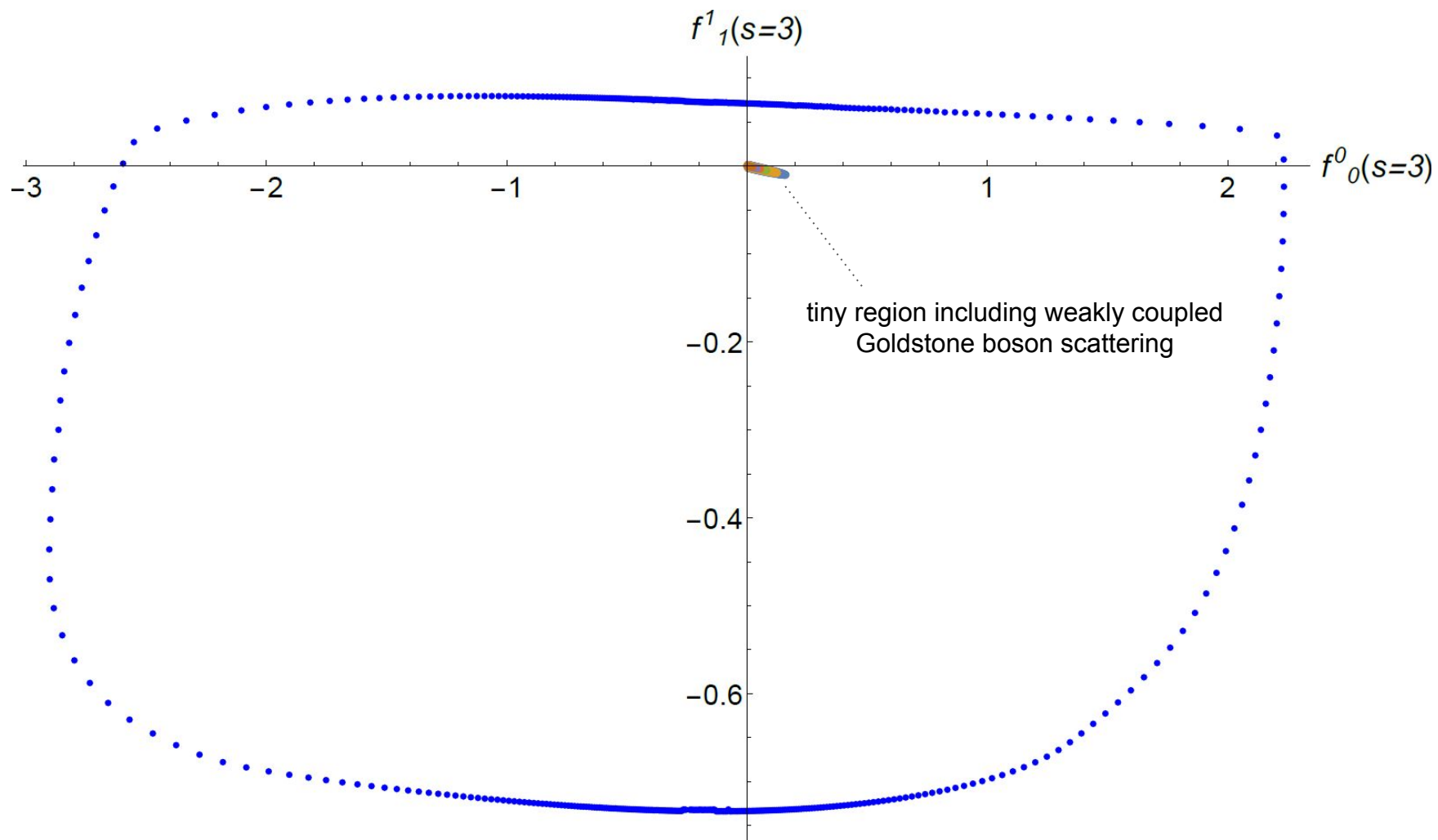
too loose: large deviation from chiSB prediction

too tight: exclude the desired theory

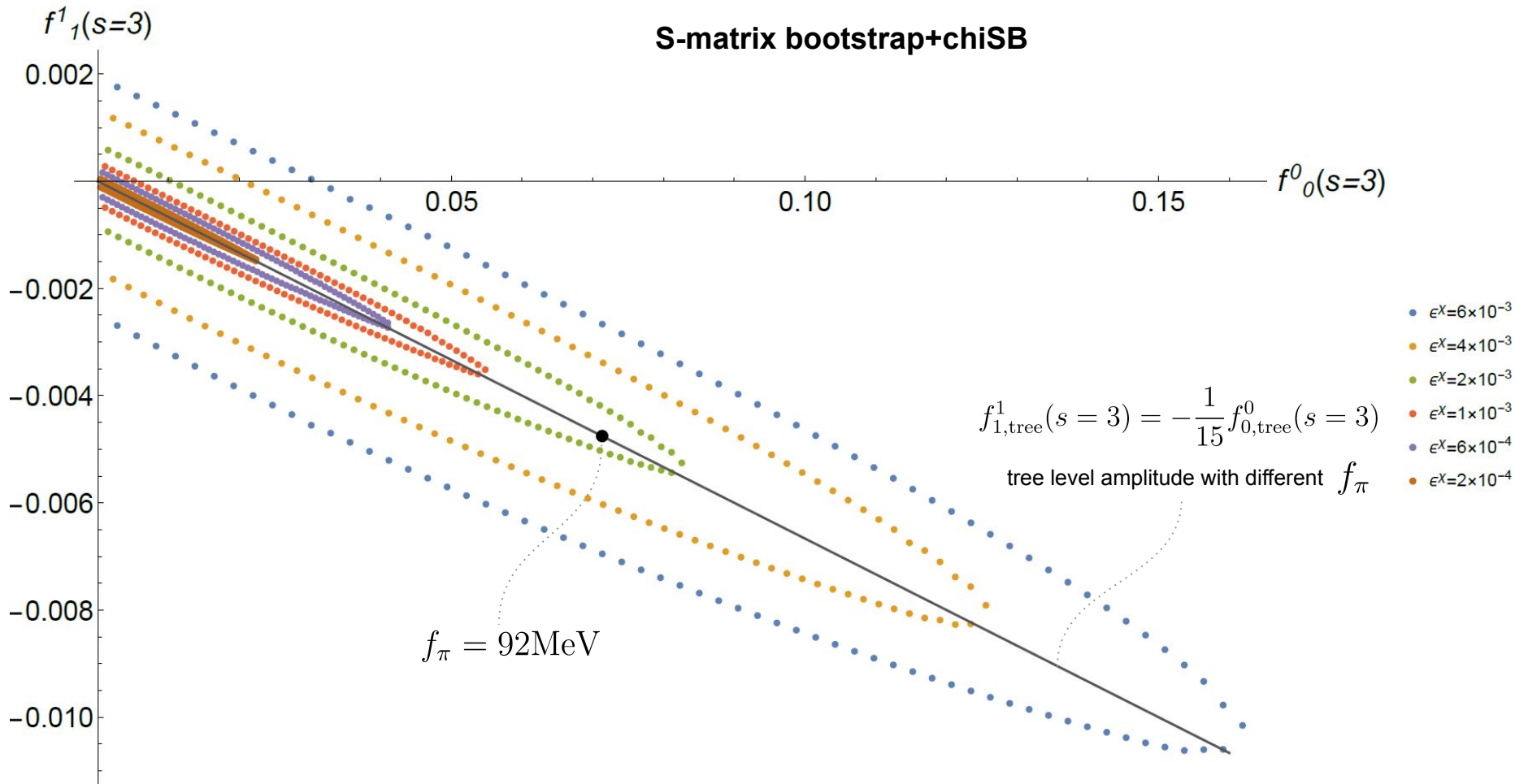


numerics with a series of tolerance

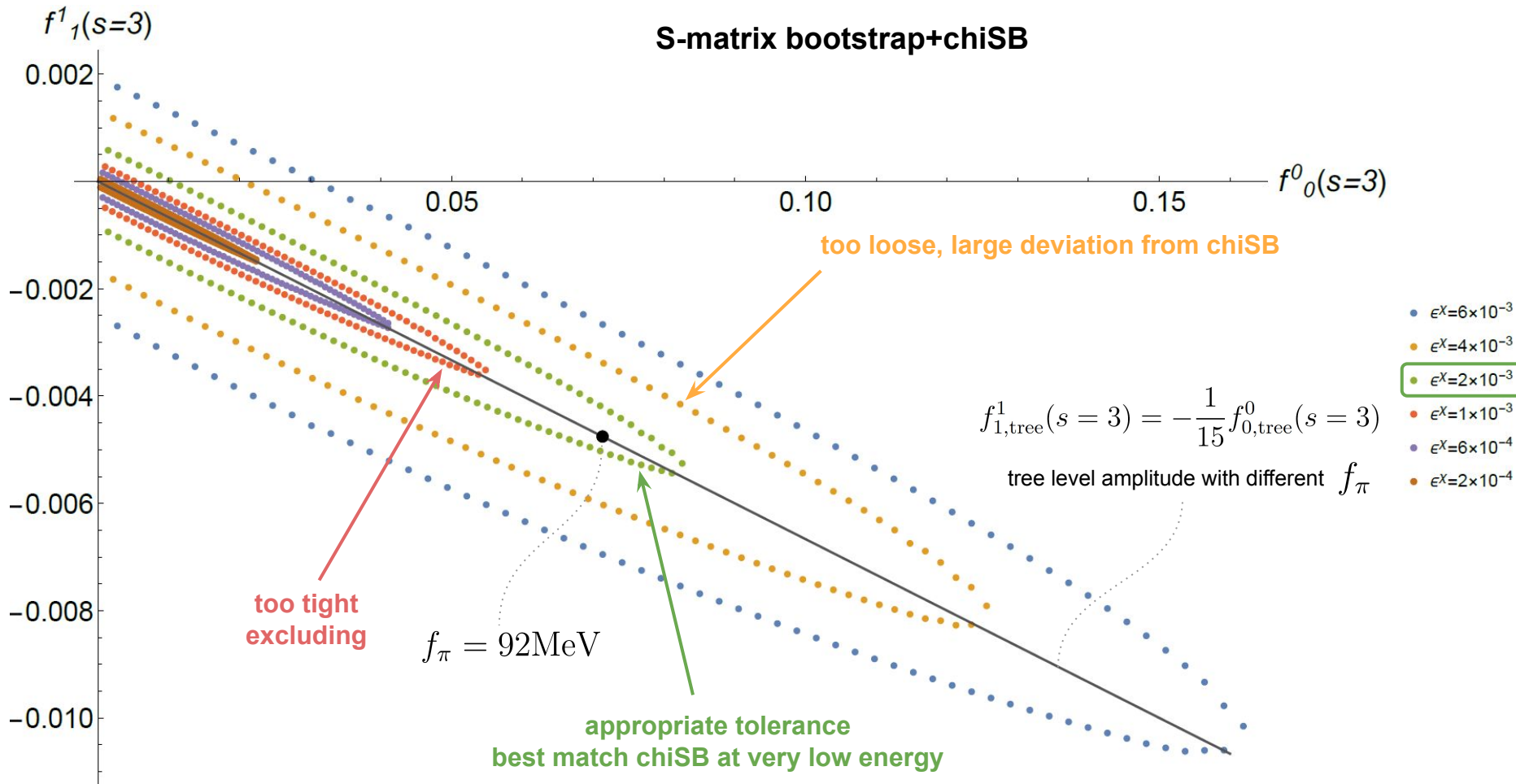
use $f_\pi = 92\text{MeV}$ to select appropriate tolerance

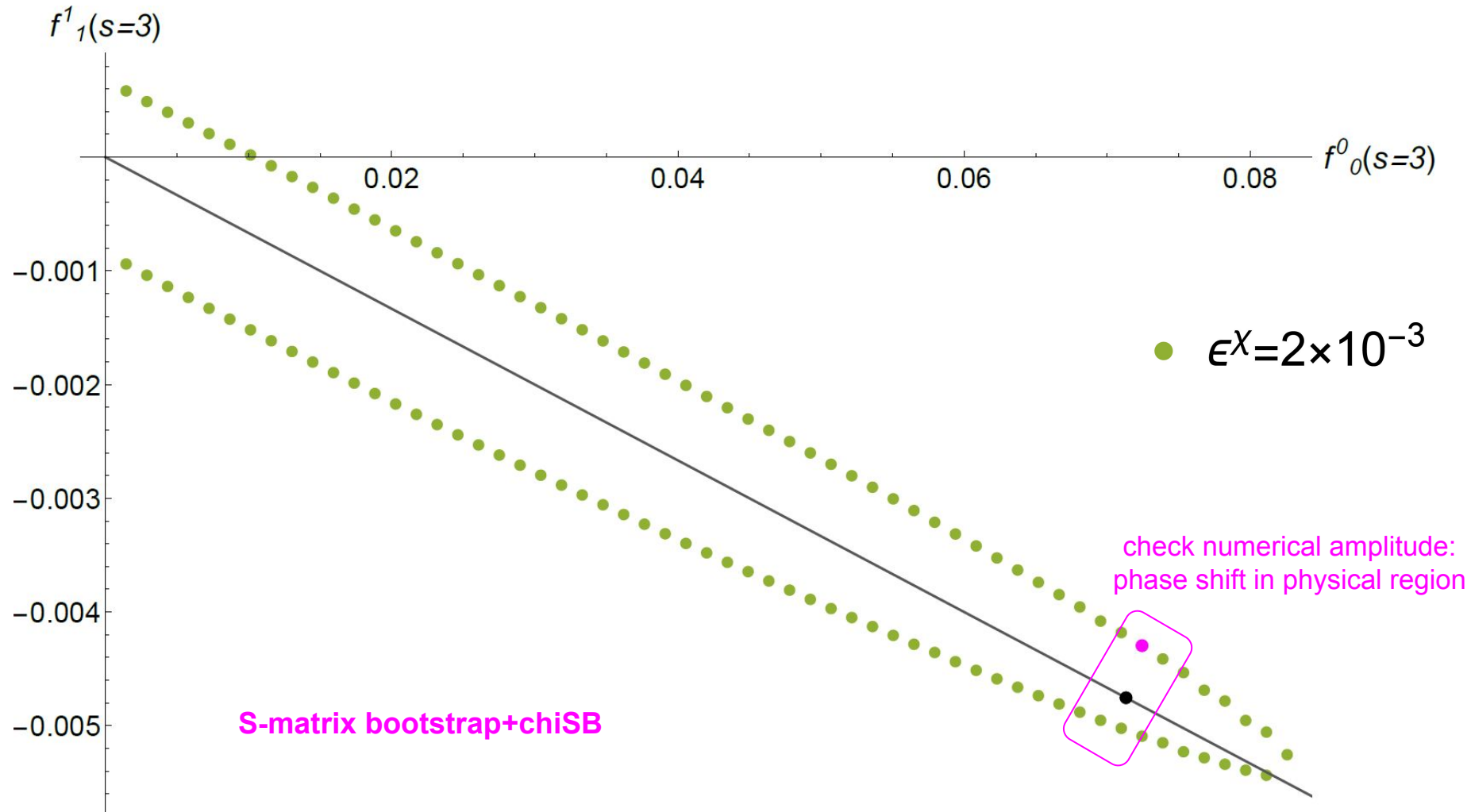


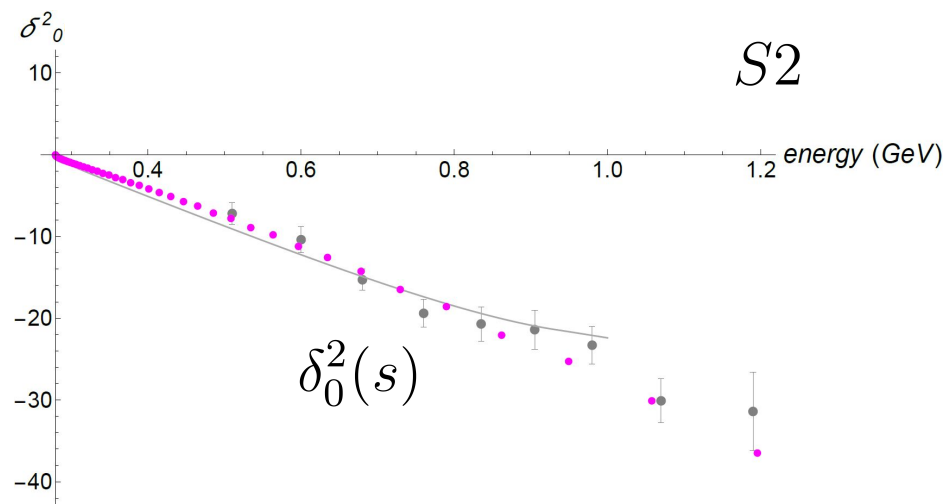
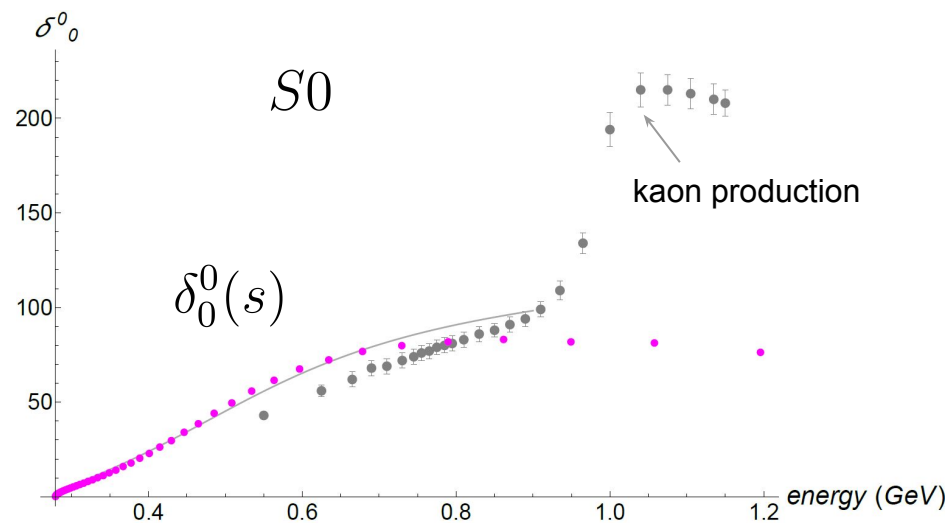
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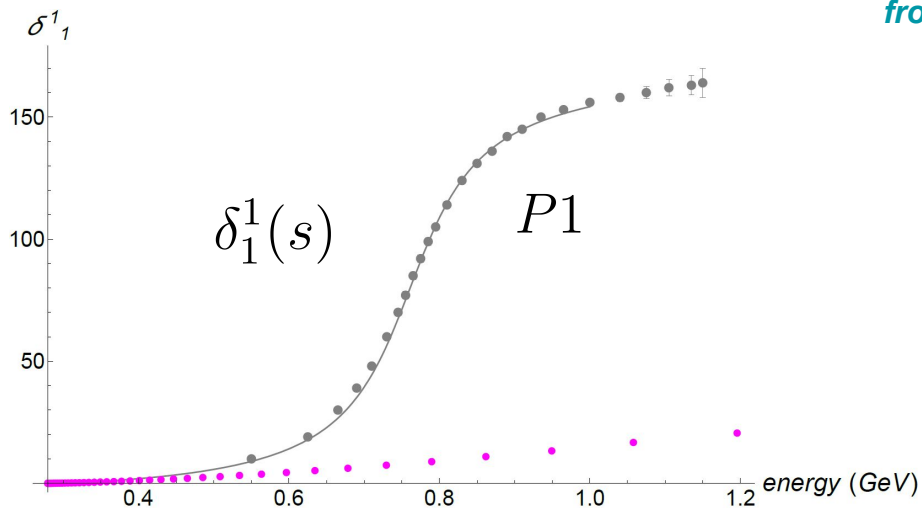


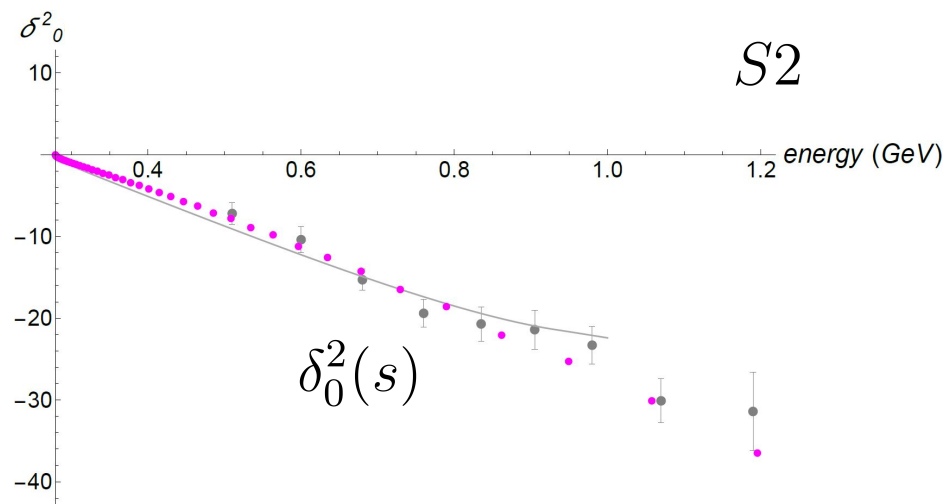
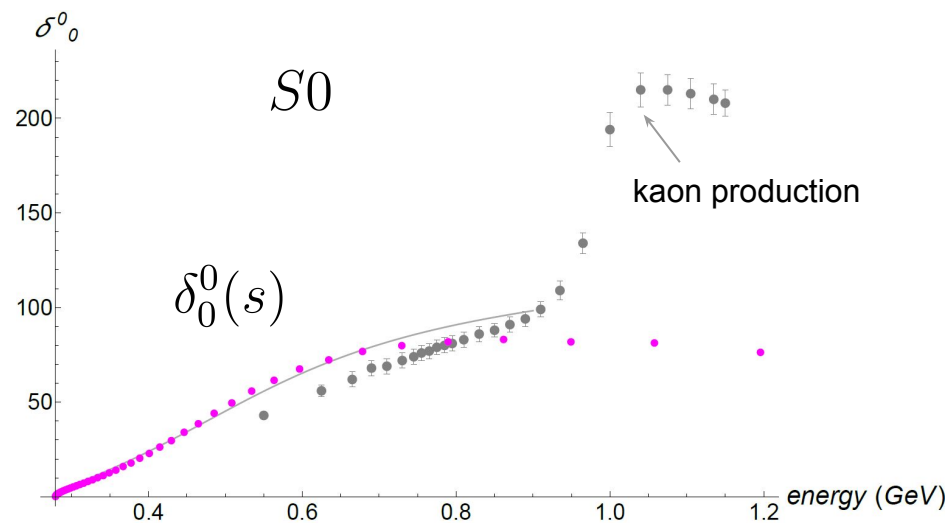


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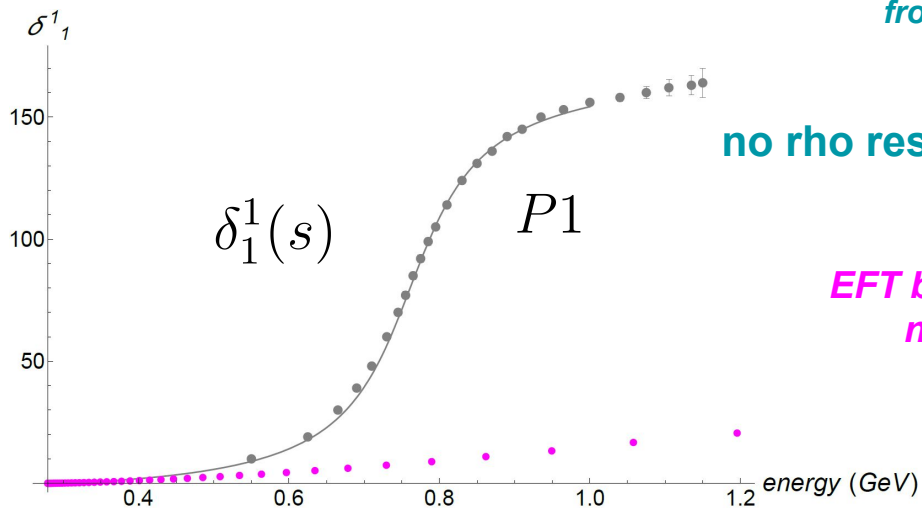




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no rho resonance without UV info

*makes sense
EFT breaks down at rho mass
not expecting get rho
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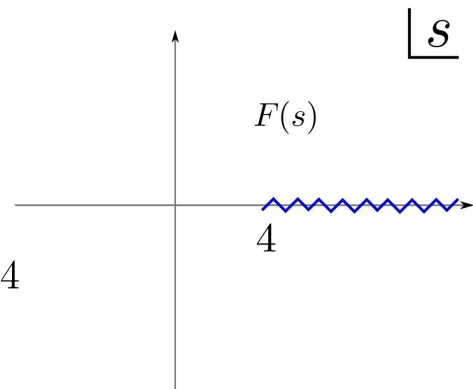
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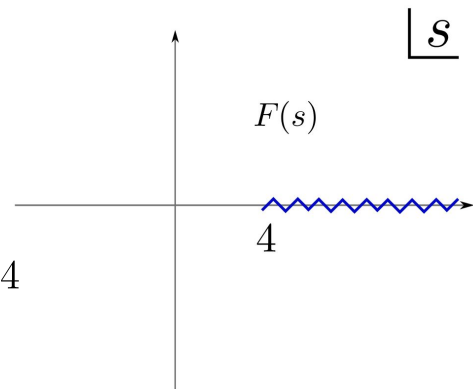
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allow connection with UV theory

Current correlators from the UV gauge theory

**to connect with
UV gauge theory**

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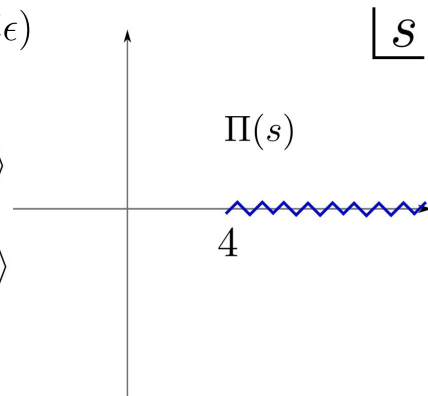
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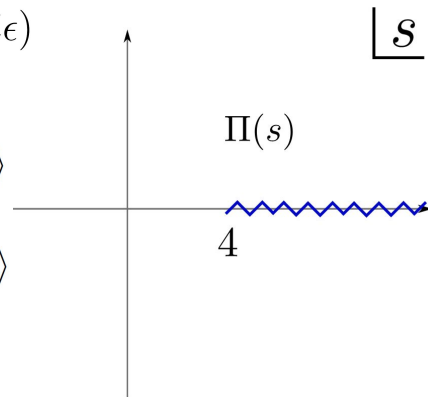
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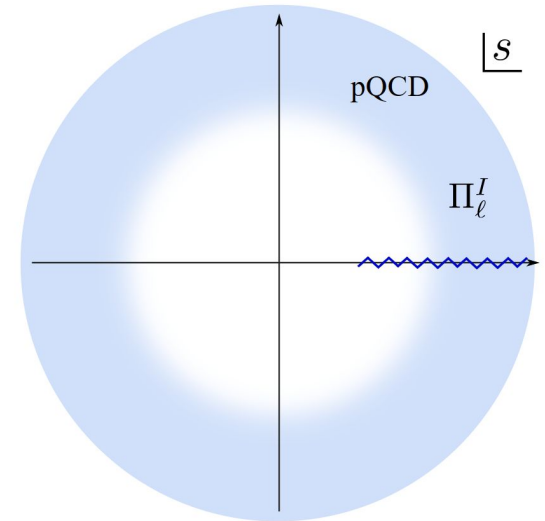
large spacelike momenta — asymptotic free region with pQCD computation

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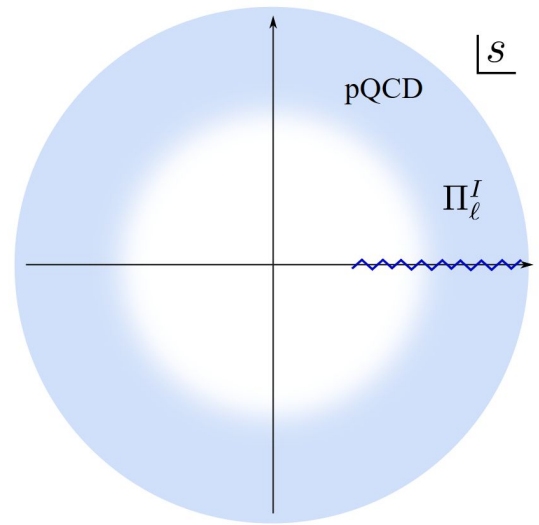
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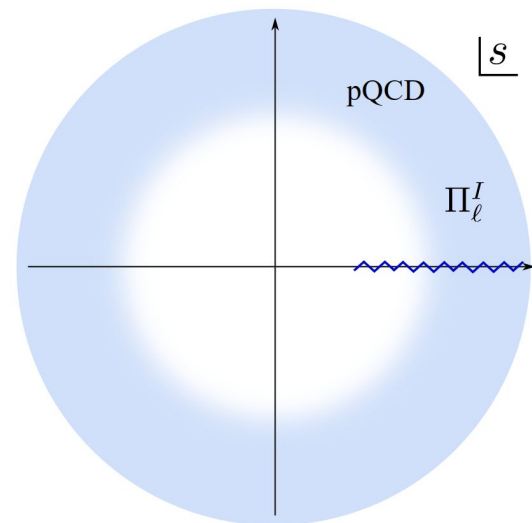
pQCD

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$$\Pi_1^1(s) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \left\{ -\frac{1}{4\pi^2} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} \right) s \ln\left(-\frac{s}{\mu^2}\right) + \frac{1}{12s} \left\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \right\rangle + \frac{1}{s} \langle j_S \rangle + \dots \right\}$$

⋮

$N_c = 3$



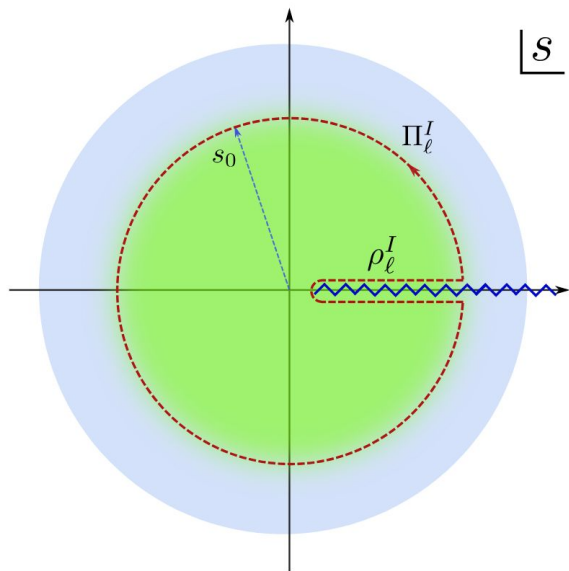
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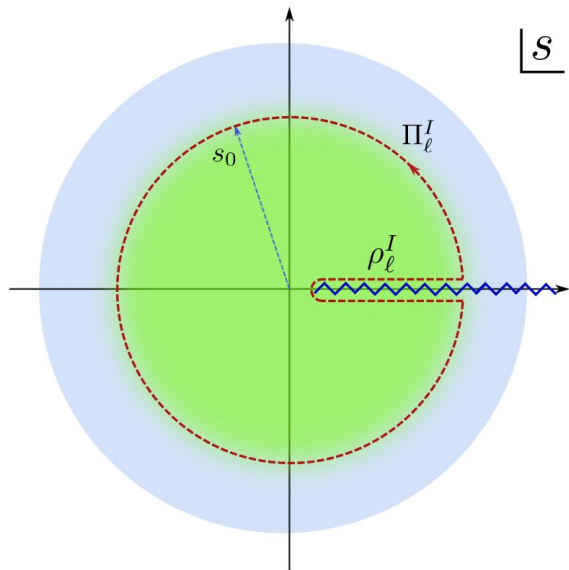
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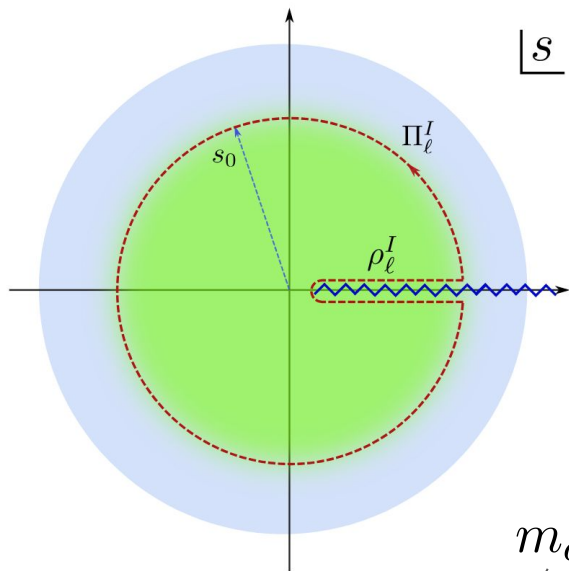
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Gauge theory parameters: numerical input

gauge theory info: { $N_f = 2$ $N_c = 3$ *for comparison with experiments*
 $s_0 = (1.2 \text{ GeV})^2$, $\alpha_s \simeq 0.41$, $m_u \simeq 4 \text{ MeV}$ $m_d \simeq 7.3 \text{ MeV}$

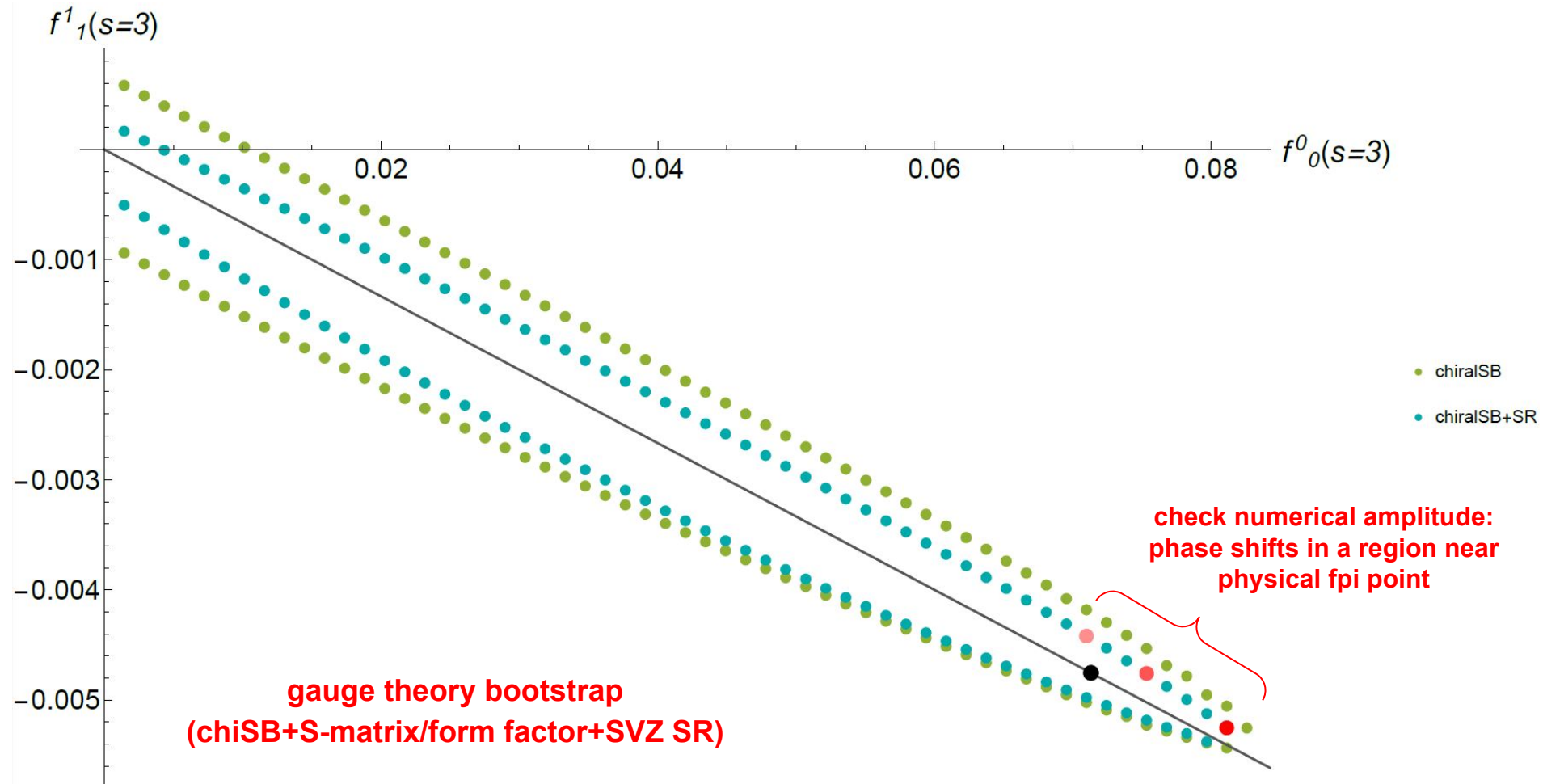
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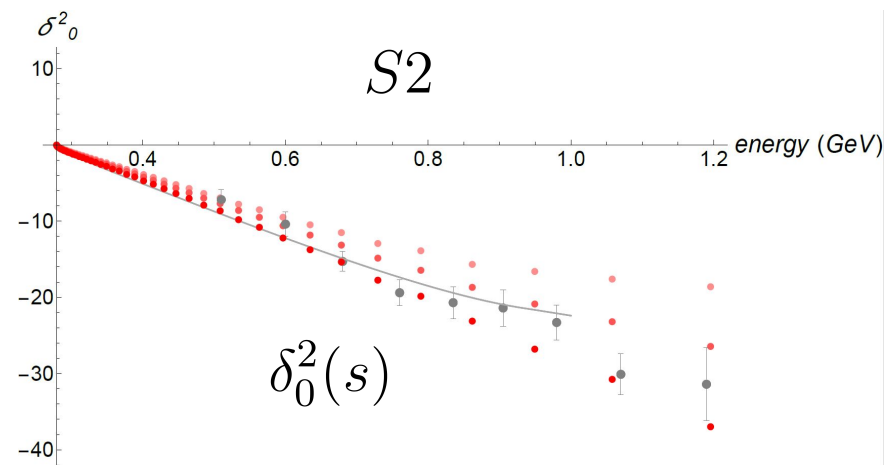
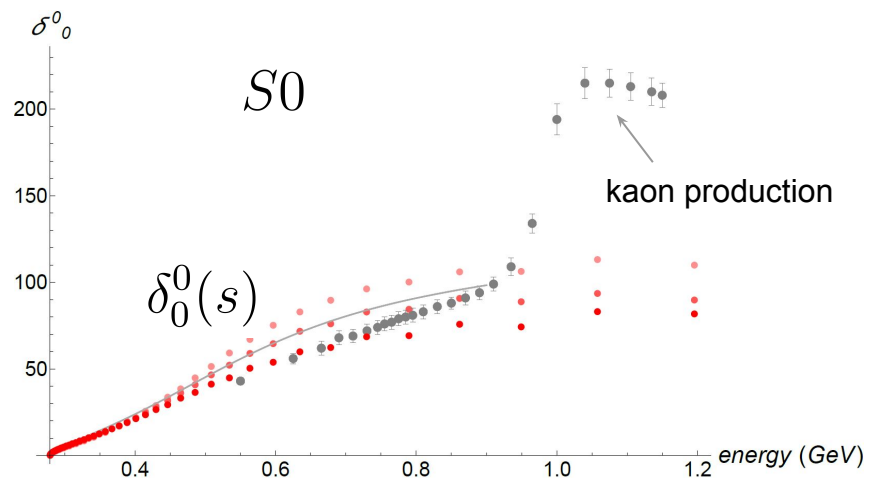
$$s_0 = (2 \text{ GeV})^2, \quad \alpha_s \simeq 0.31, \quad m_u \simeq 3.6 \text{ MeV} \quad m_d \simeq 6.5 \text{ MeV}$$

IR parameters

$$\left\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^2 \right\rangle \simeq 0.023 \text{ GeV}^4, \quad \langle j_S(0) \rangle = m_q \langle \bar{u}u + \bar{d}d \rangle \simeq -(0.1 \text{ GeV})^4$$

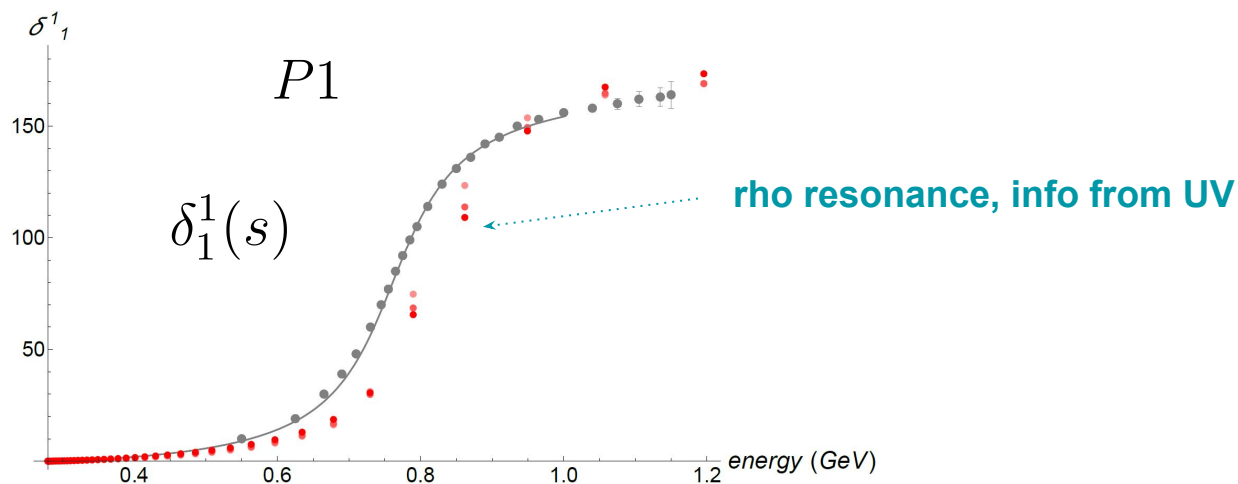
numerically not significant in our working precision





gauge theory bootstrap

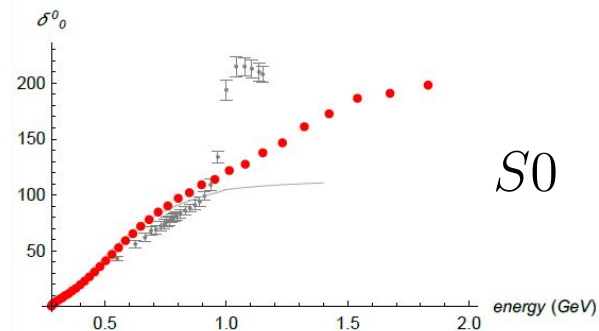
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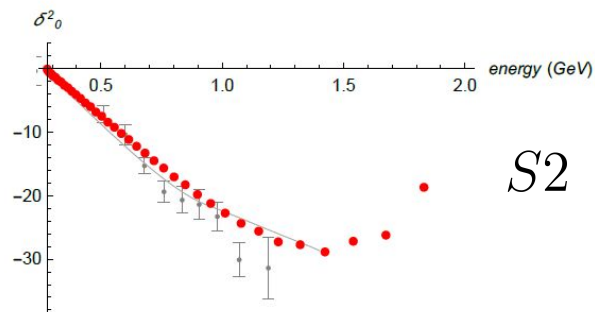
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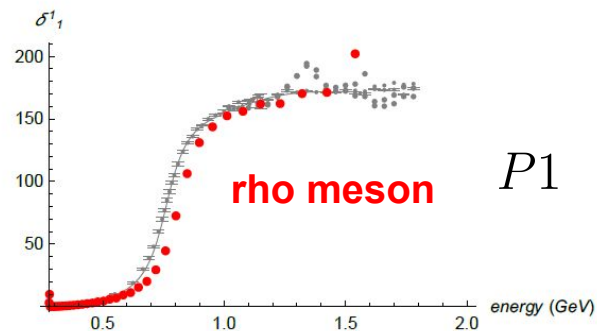
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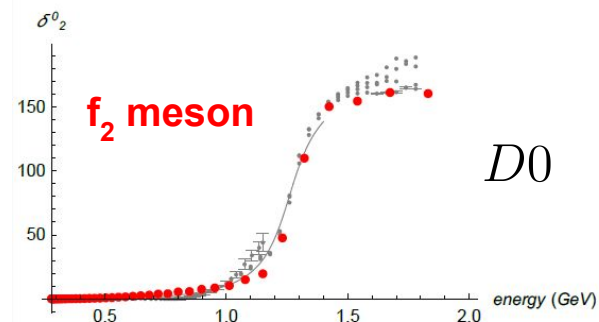


S_2



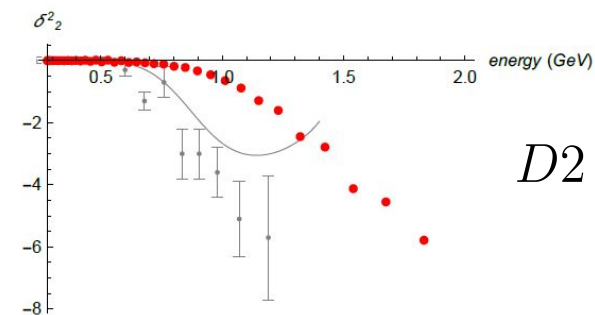
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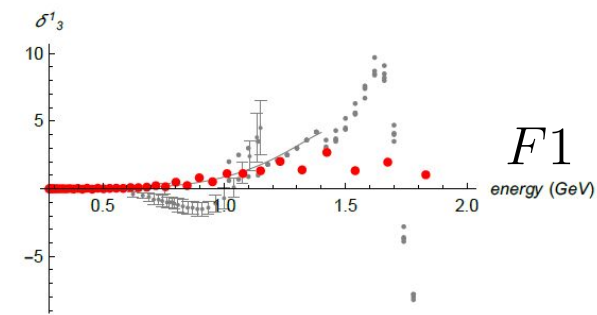


f₂ meson

D_0



D_2



F_1

experiments (gray dots) [Protopopescu et al, 1973][Losty et al, 1974][Hyams et al, 1975]

scattering lengths and effective range parameters

$$\text{Ref}_\ell^I(s) \stackrel{k \rightarrow 0}{\simeq} \frac{2m_\pi}{\pi} k^{2\ell} (a_\ell^I + b_\ell^I k^2 + \dots)$$

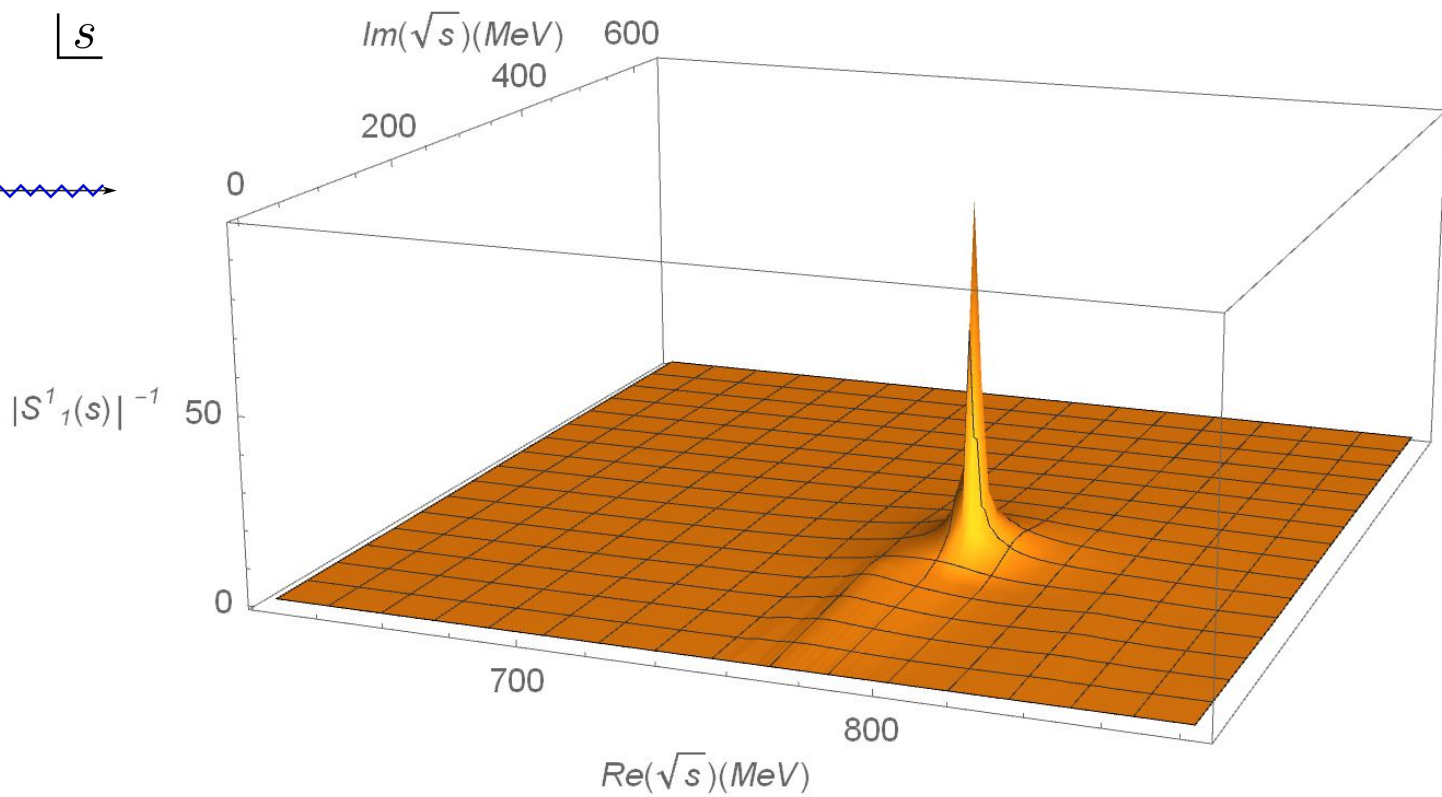
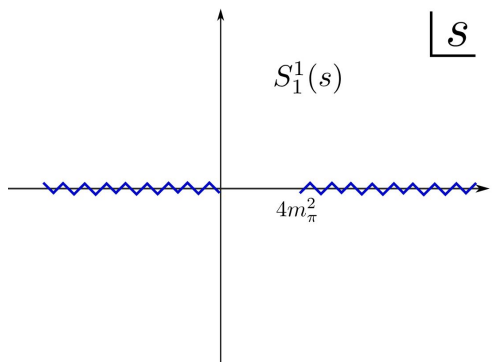
$$k = \frac{\sqrt{s - 4m_\pi^2}}{2}$$

| | DFGS | ACGL | CGL | PY | gauge theory bootstrap | | |
|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|---|--|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| $a_0^{(0)}$ | 0.228 ± 0.012 | 0.240 ± 0.060 | 0.220 ± 0.005 | 0.230 ± 0.010 | 0.178 | 0.188 | 0.201 |
| $a_0^{(2)}$ | -0.0382 ± 0.0038 | -0.036 ± 0.013 | -0.0444 ± 0.0010 | -0.0422 ± 0.0022 | -0.0362 | -0.0388 | -0.0425 |
| $b_0^{(0)}$ | | 0.276 ± 0.006 | 0.280 ± 0.001 | 0.268 ± 0.010 | 0.31 | 0.307 | 0.297 |
| $b_0^{(2)}$ | | -0.076 ± 0.002 | -0.080 ± 0.001 | -0.071 ± 0.004 | -0.0629 | -0.0681 | -0.075 |
| | Nagel | PSGY | CGL | PY | | | |
| a_1 | 38 ± 2 | 38.5 ± 0.6 | 37.0 ± 0.13 [37.9 ± 0.5] ^a | 38.1 ± 1.4 [38.6 ± 1.2] ^b $\times 10^{-3}$ | 0.0281 | 0.0304 | 0.0343 |

[Nagel et al, 1979][Descotes et al, 2002][Ananthanarayan et al, 2001]
[Colangelo, Gasser, Leutwyler, 2001][Pelaez, Yndurain, 2003]

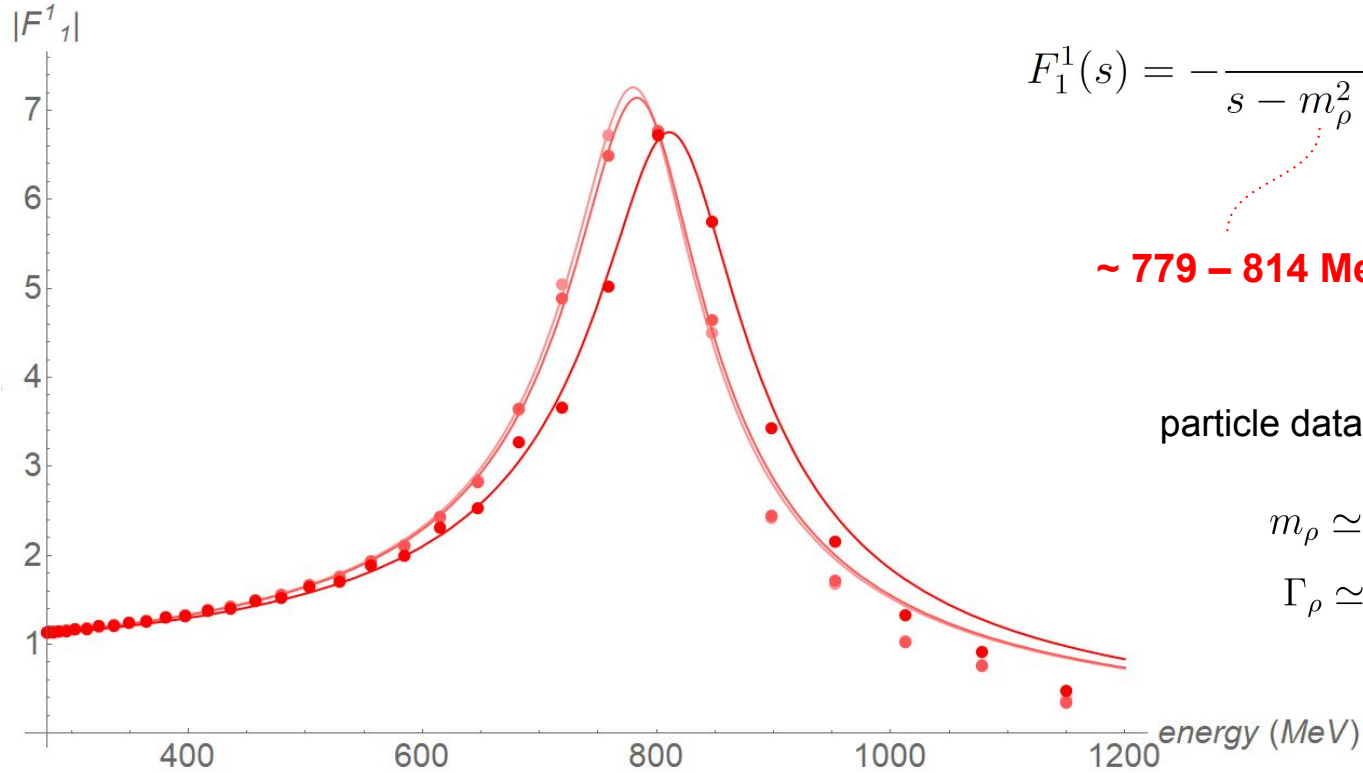
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***rho meson as pole on
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fit P1 form factor with Breit-Wigner form



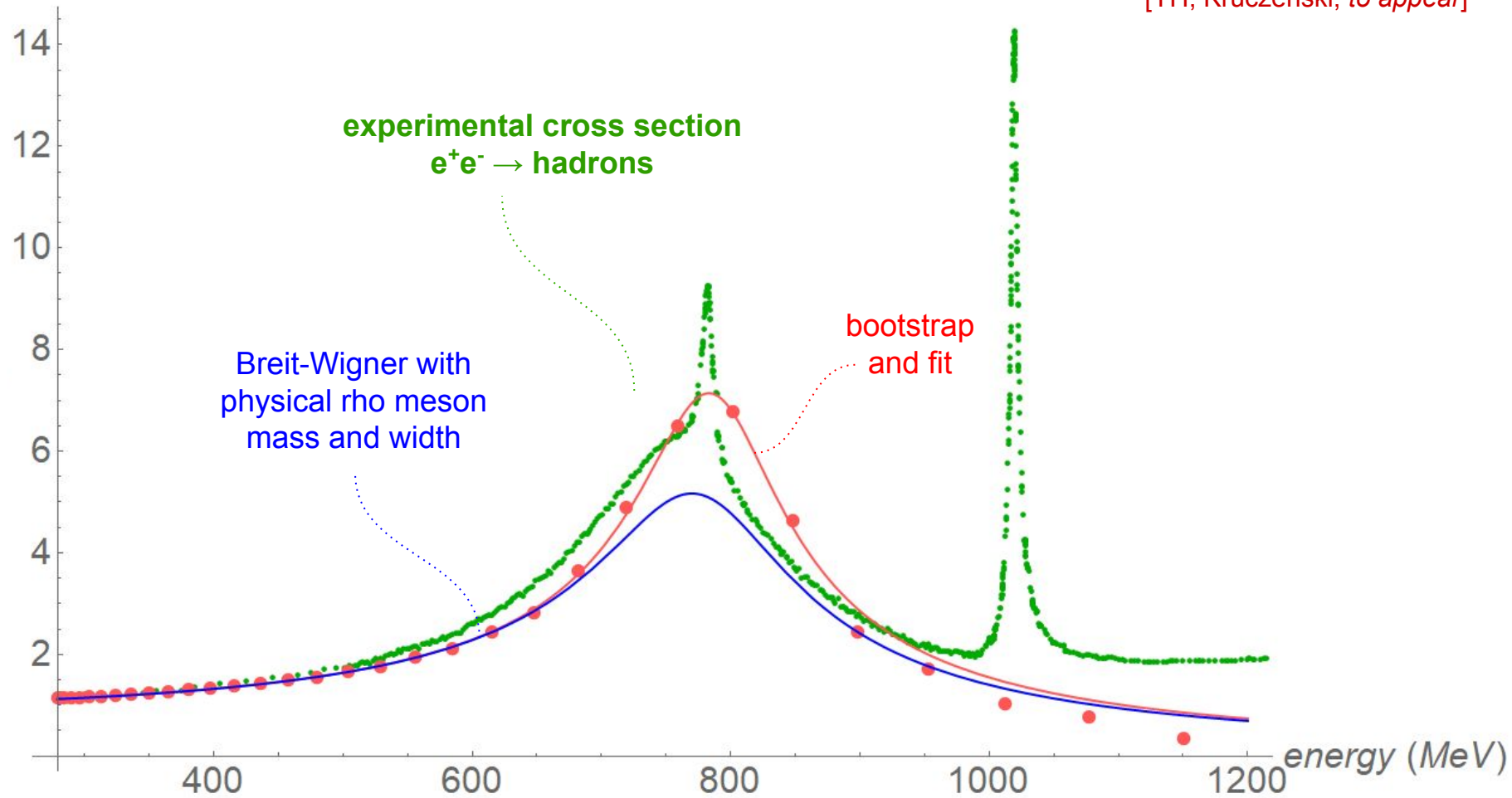
$$F_1^1(s) = -\frac{m_\rho^2}{s - m_\rho^2 + im_\rho\Gamma_\rho\theta(s - 4m_\pi^2)}$$

$\sim 779 - 814$ MeV $\sim 107 - 128$ MeV

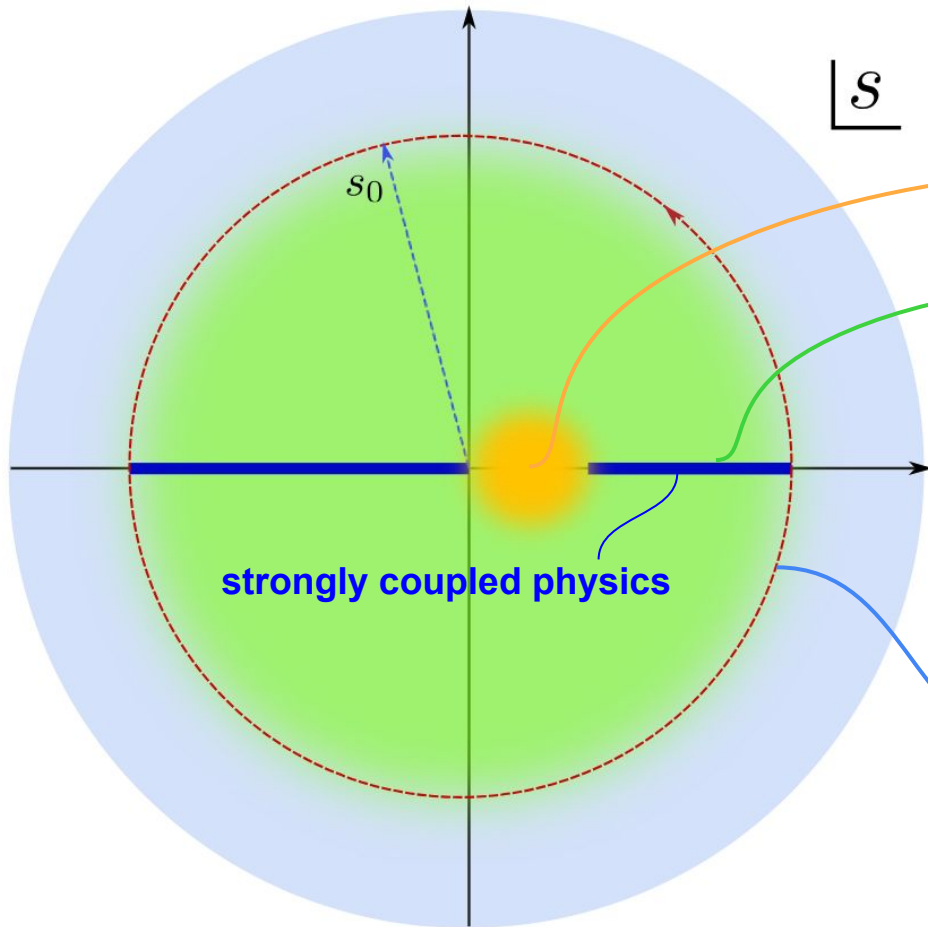
particle data group (T-matrix pole):

$$m_\rho \simeq 761 - 765 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma_\rho \simeq 142 - 148 \text{ MeV}$$



gauge theory bootstrap – summary



bootstrap variables:

$$\{\rho_{1,2}(x, y), \dots, \text{Im}F_\ell^I(x), \rho_\ell^I(x)\}$$

chiSB $A(s, t, u) \simeq \frac{4}{\pi} \frac{s - m_\pi^2}{32\pi f_\pi^2}$

S-matrix/form factor

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pQCD (SVZ, asymptotics)

$$\frac{1}{s_0^{n+2}} \int_4^{s_0} dx \rho_0^0(x) x^n, \frac{1}{s_0^{n+2}} \int_4^{s_0} dx \rho_1^1(x) x^n, \dots$$

$$F_\pi(s) \simeq -\frac{16\pi\alpha_s(s)f_\pi^2}{s}$$

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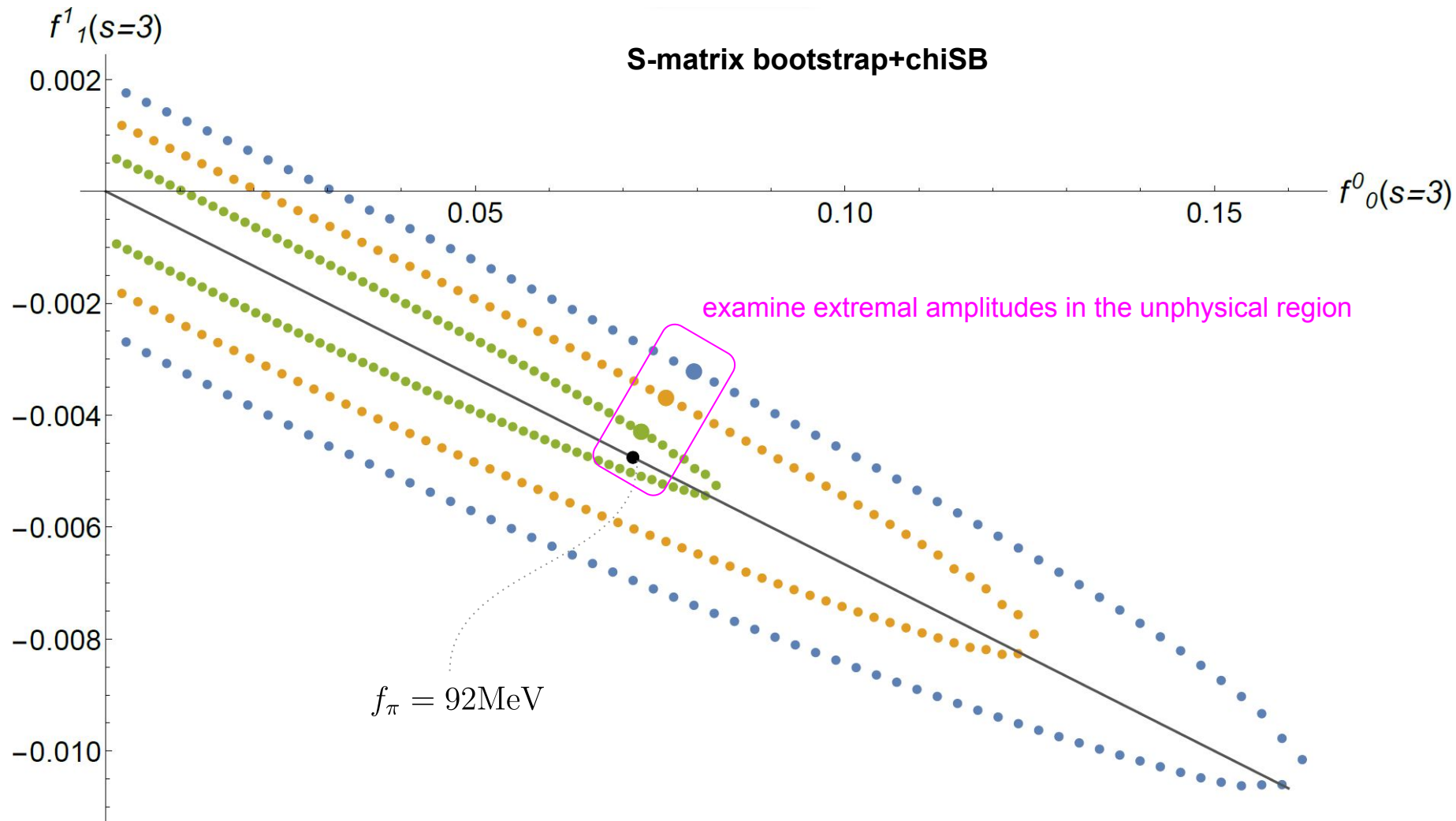
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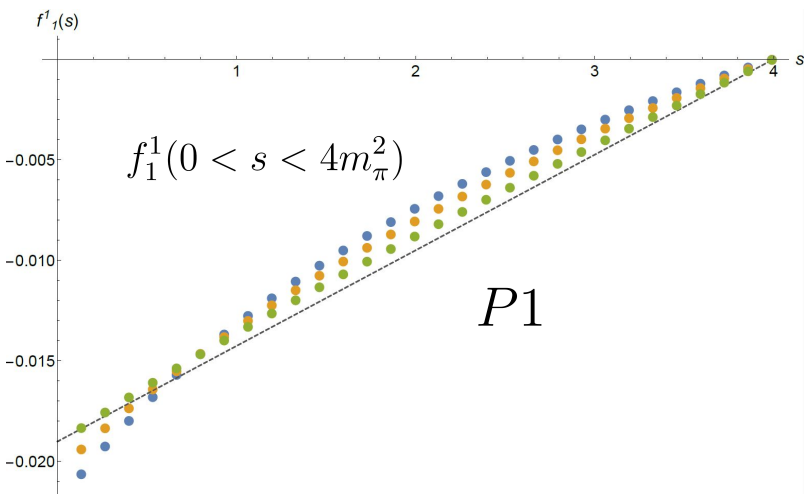
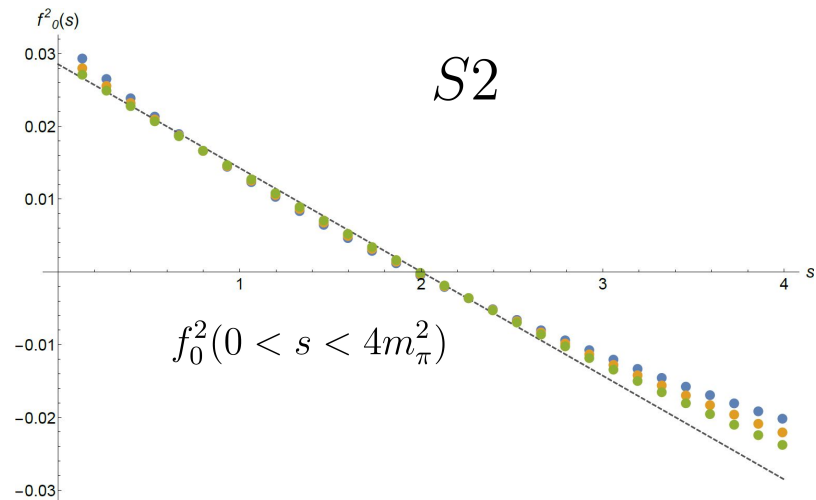
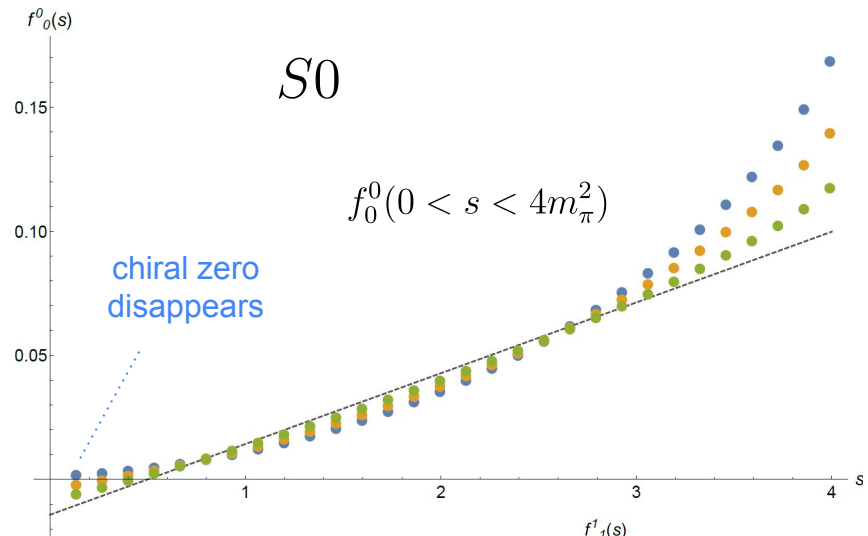
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- Further developments — deep understanding of gauge theories

Thank you!

S-matrix bootstrap+chiSB





dashed lines: tree-level p.w.

$$f_{0,\text{tree}}^0(s) \quad f_{1,\text{tree}}^1(s) \quad f_{0,\text{tree}}^2(s)$$

$$f_\pi = 92\text{MeV}$$

- $\epsilon^X = 6 \times 10^{-3}$
- $\epsilon^X = 4 \times 10^{-3}$
- $\epsilon^X = 2 \times 10^{-3}$

$$0 < s < 4m_\pi^2$$