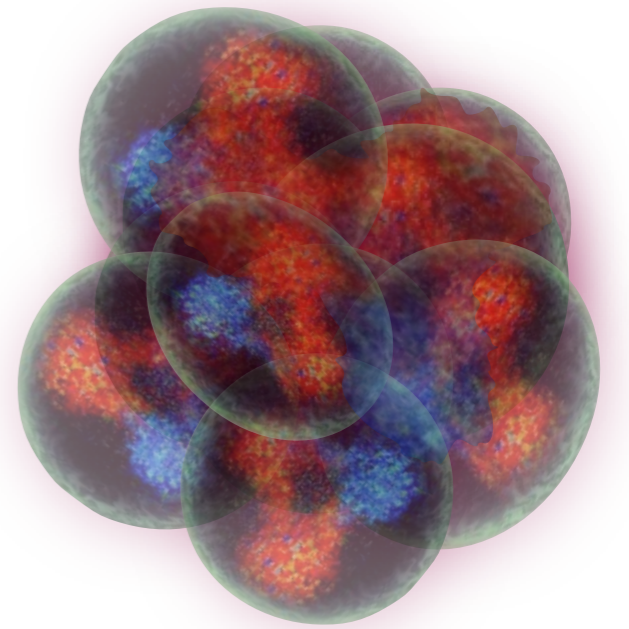


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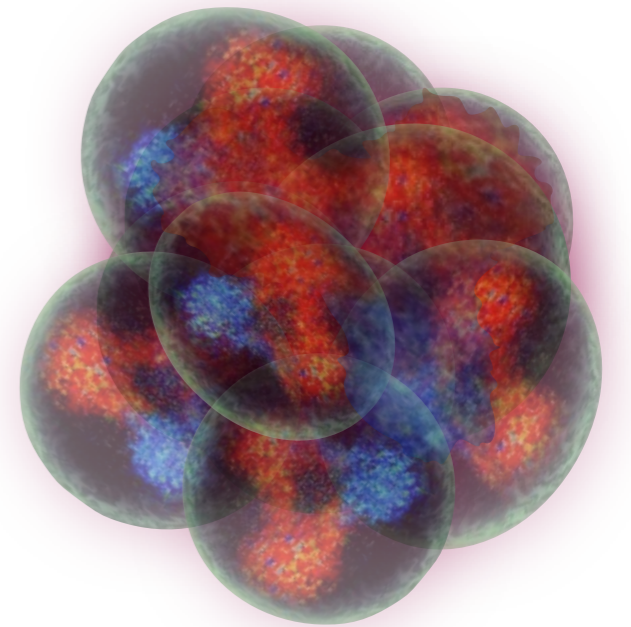
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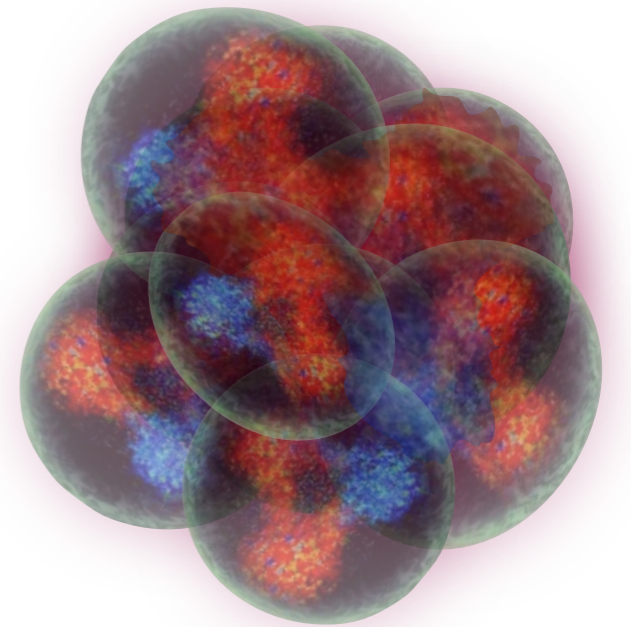
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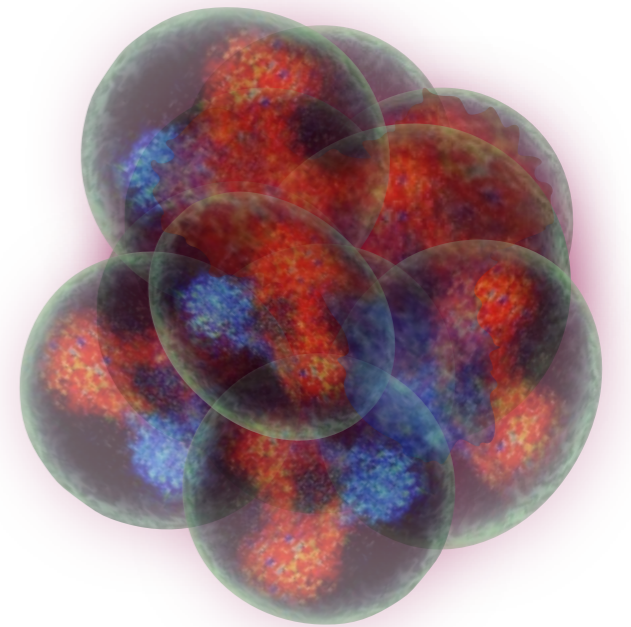
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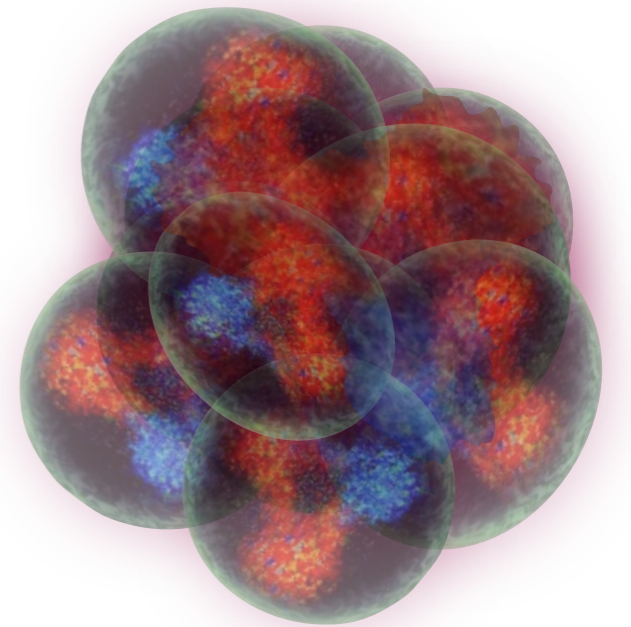
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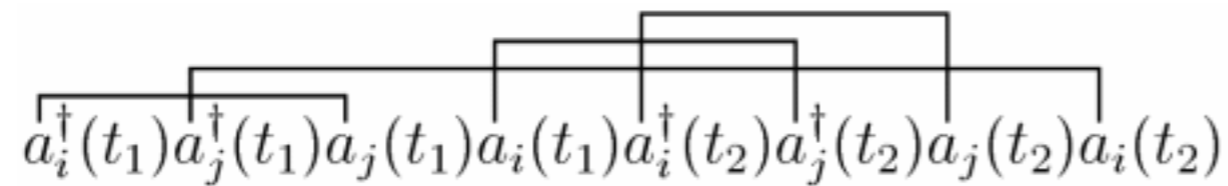
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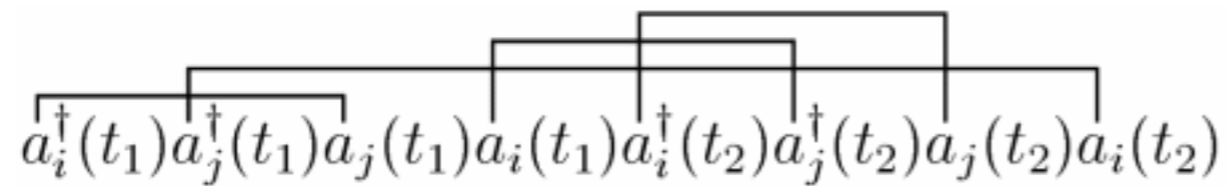
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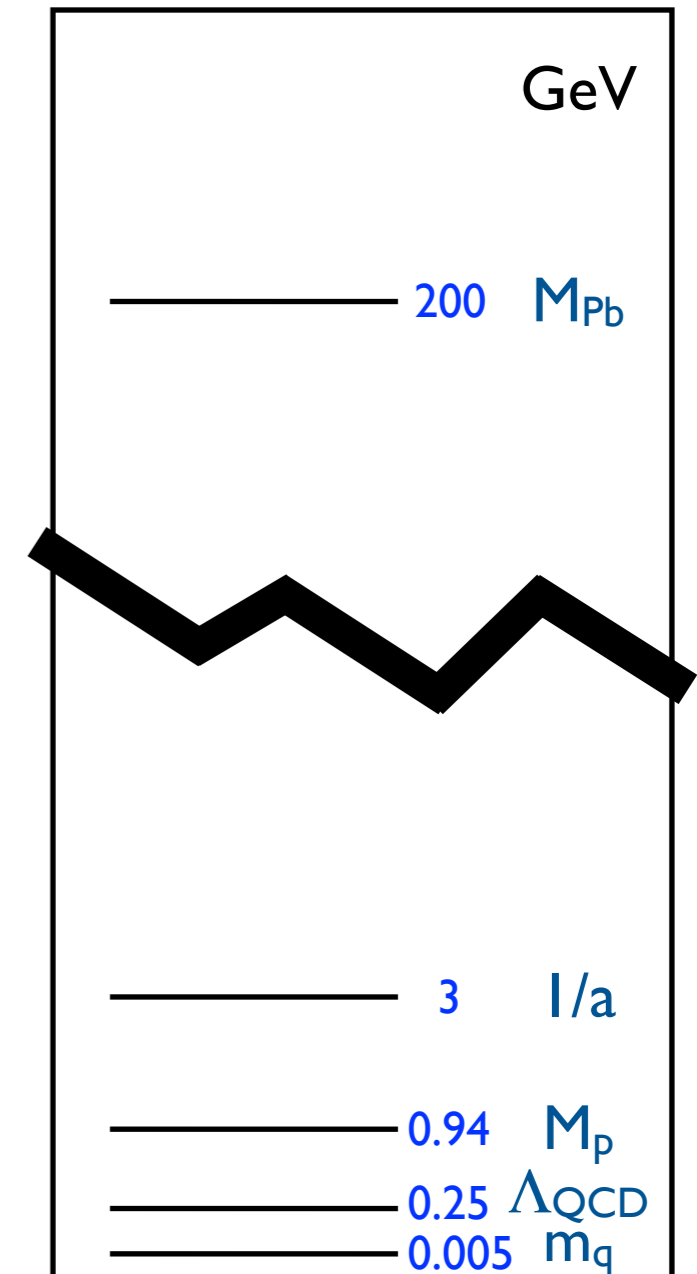


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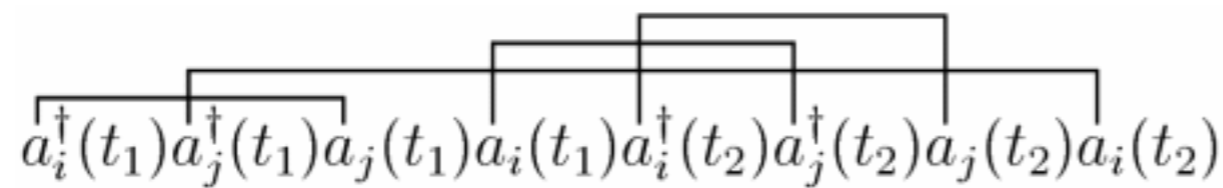


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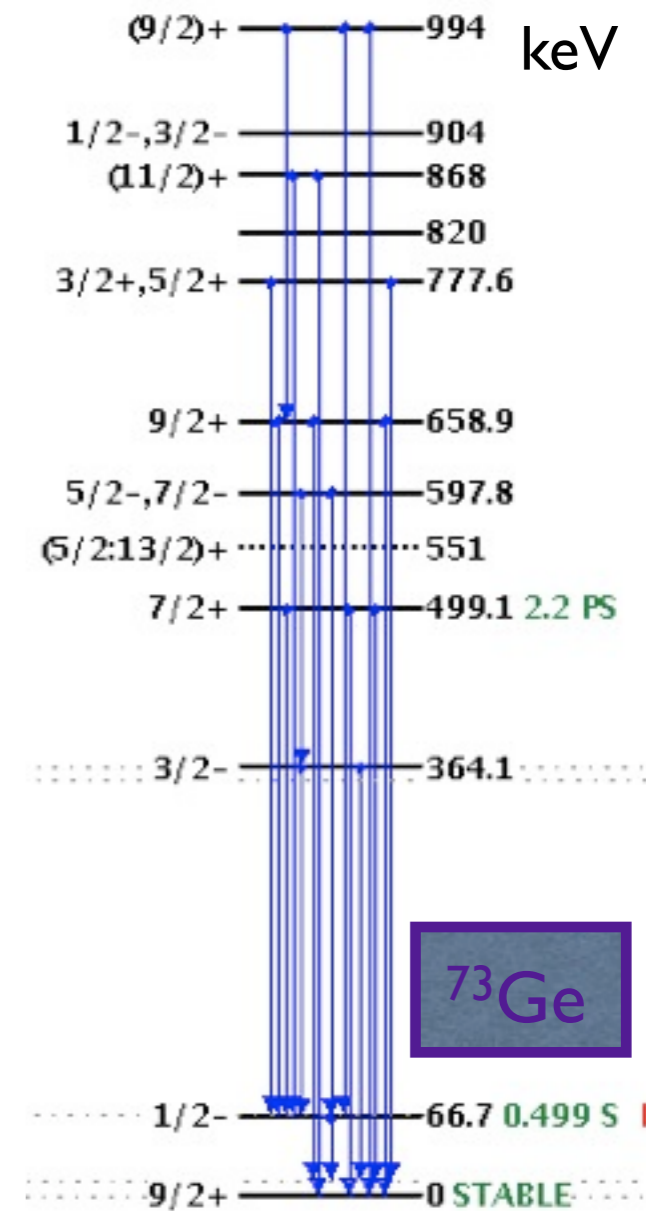


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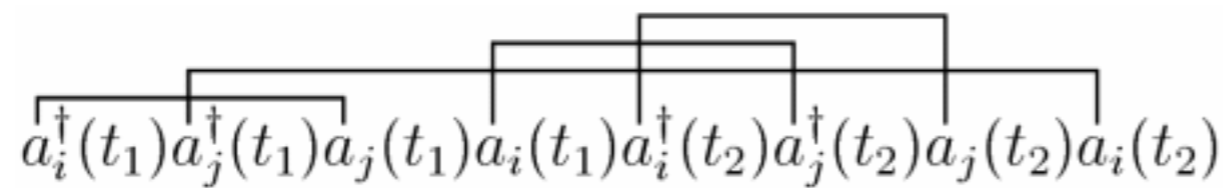
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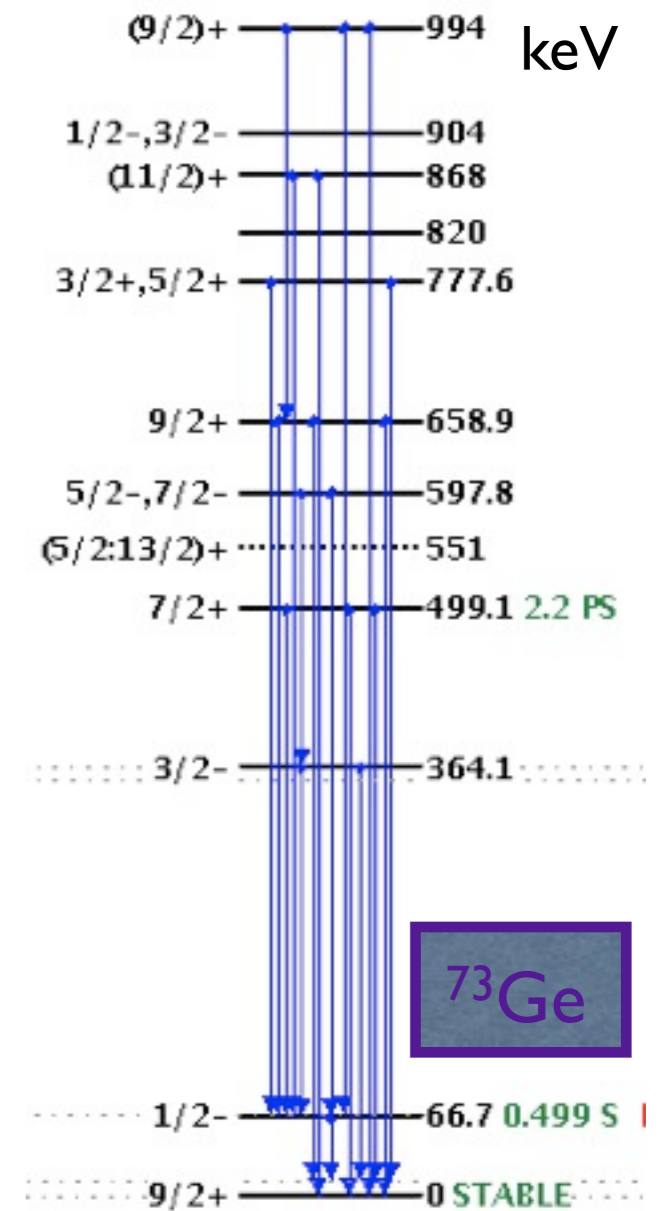


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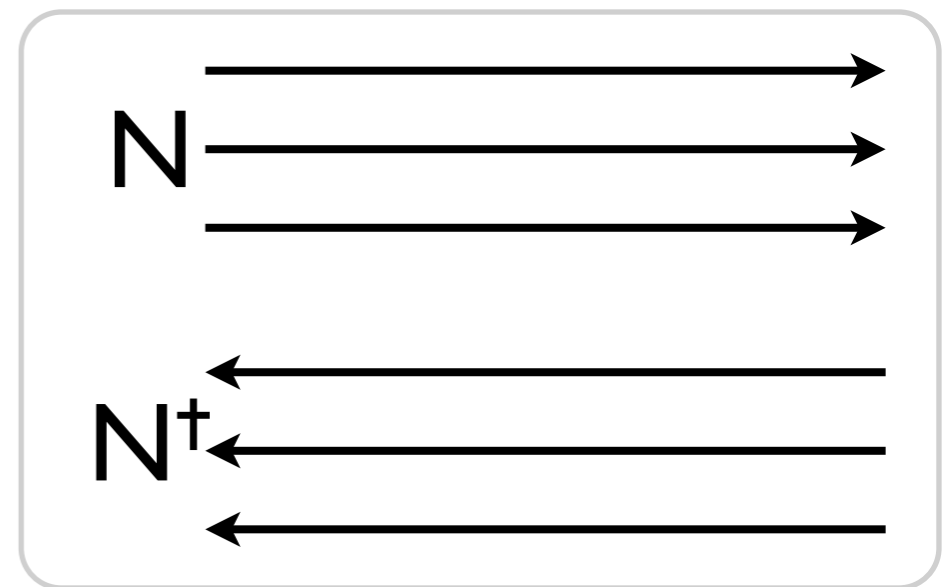
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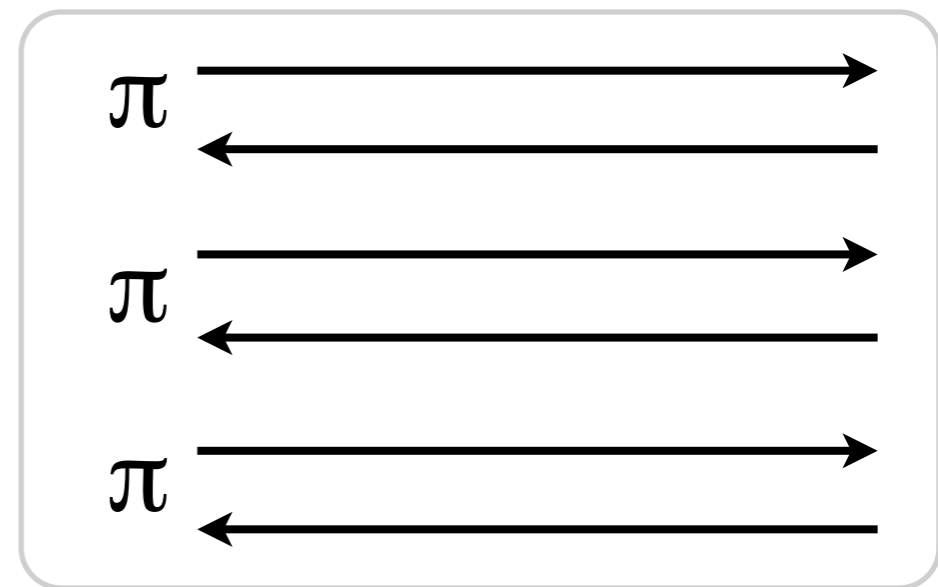
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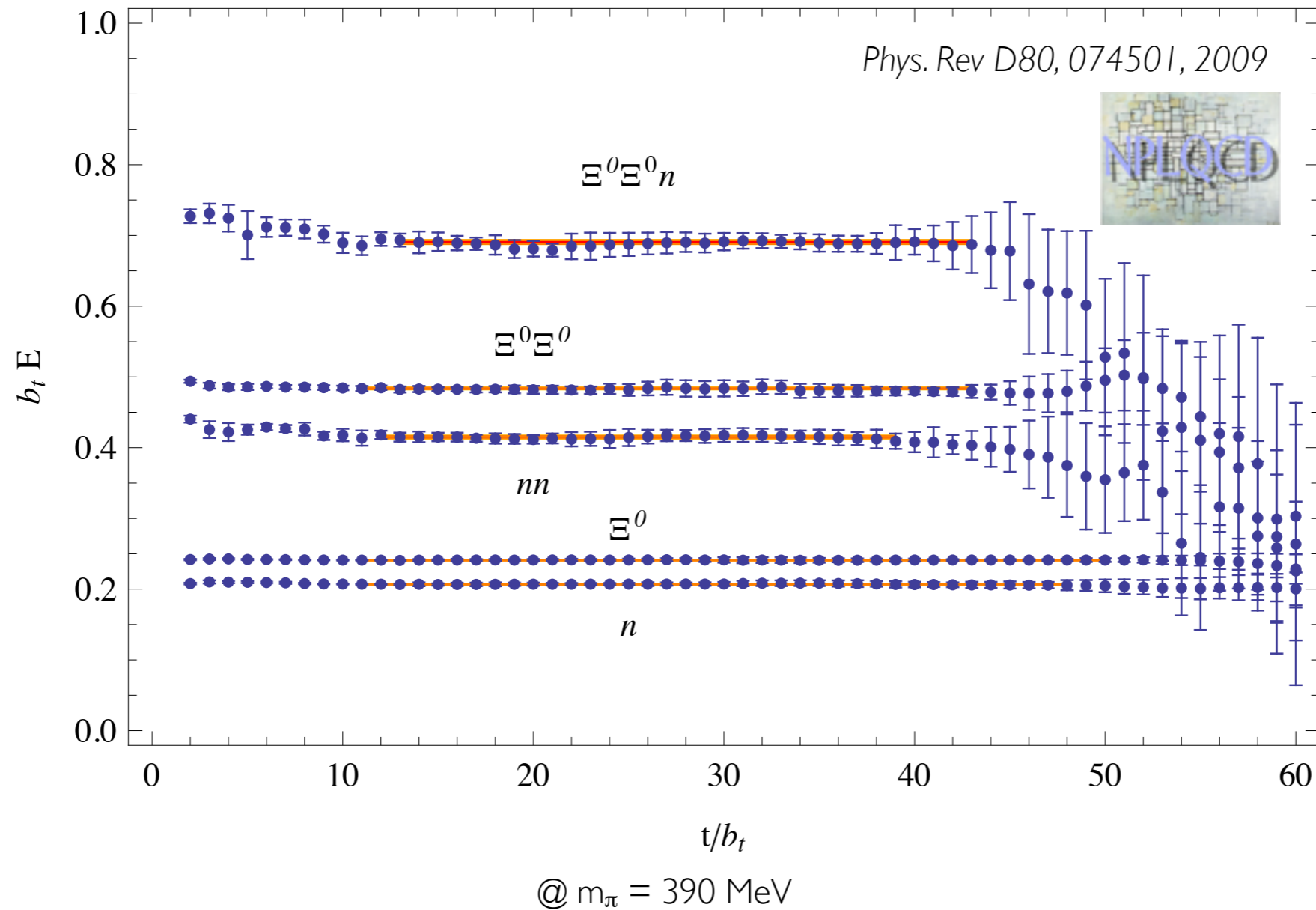
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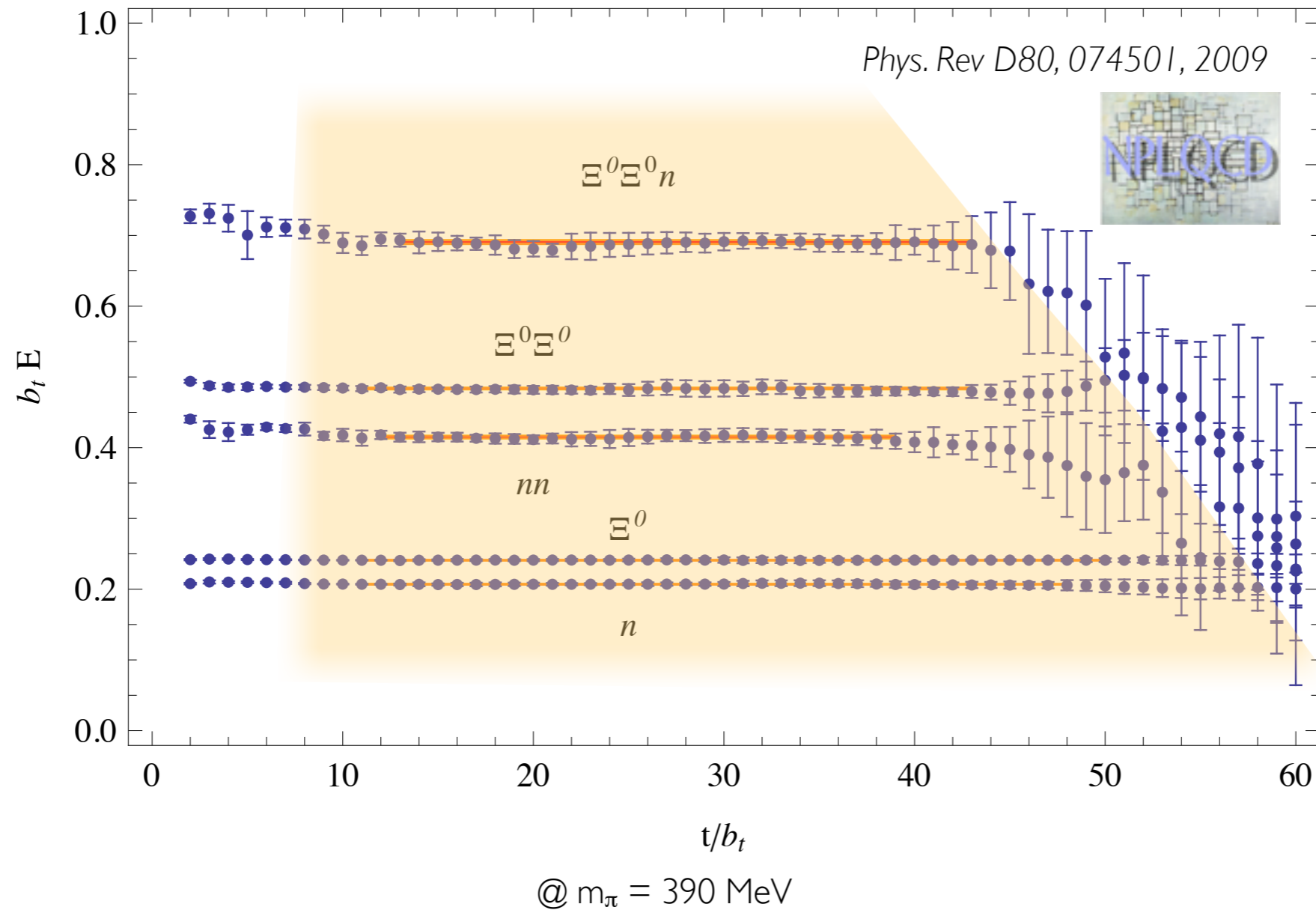
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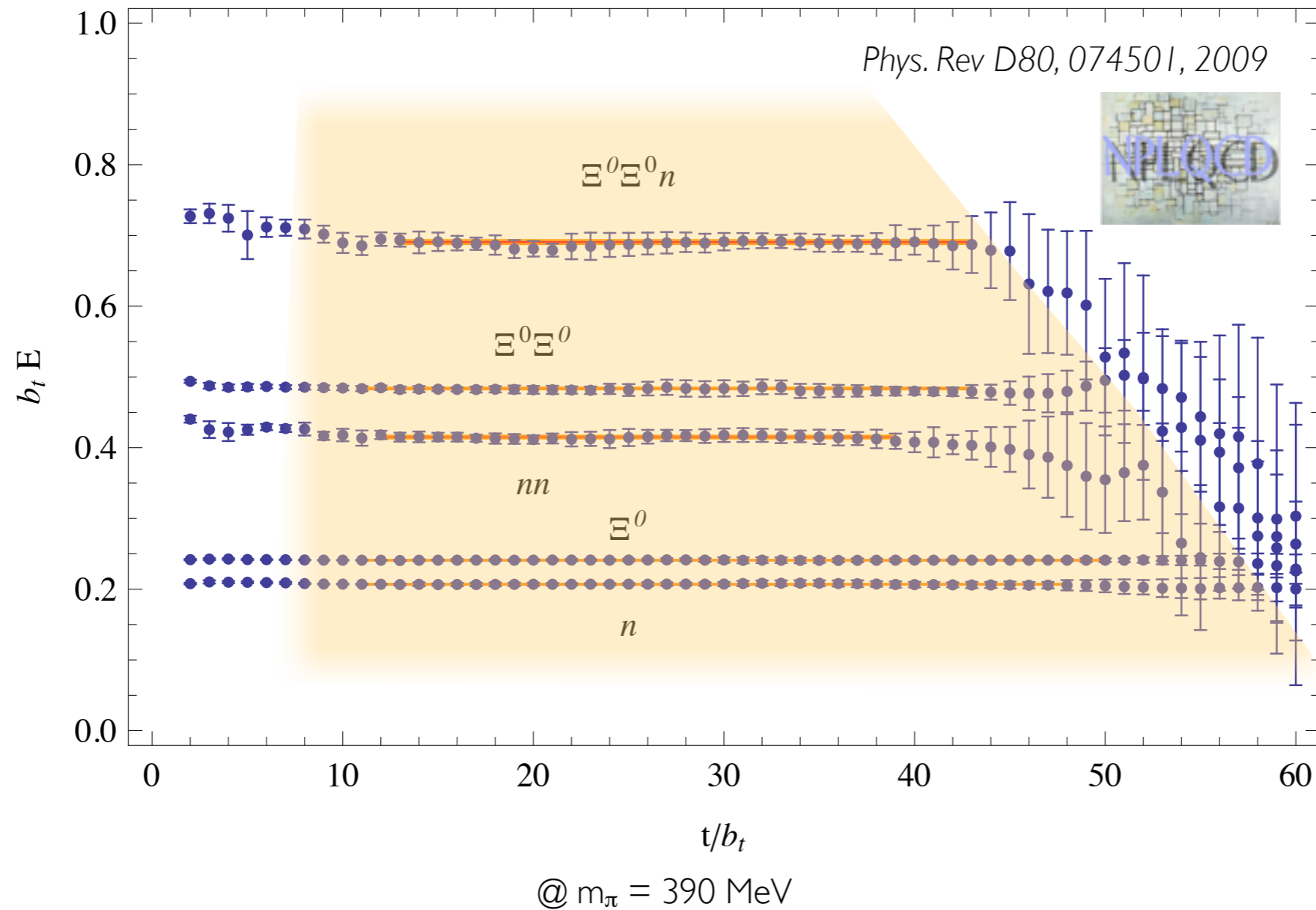
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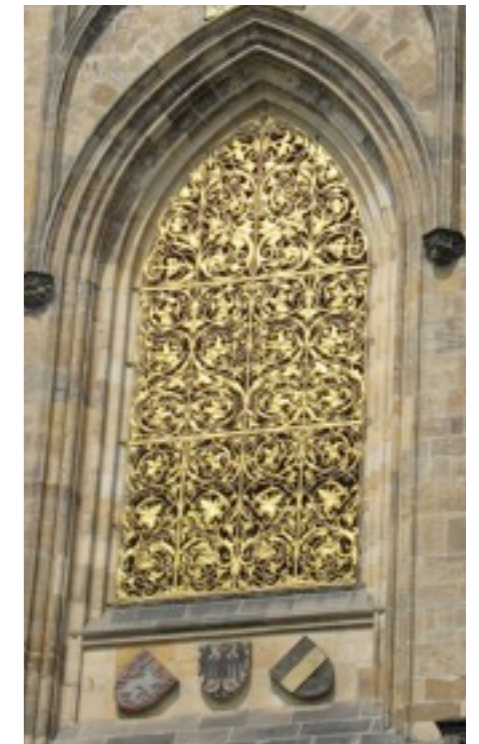
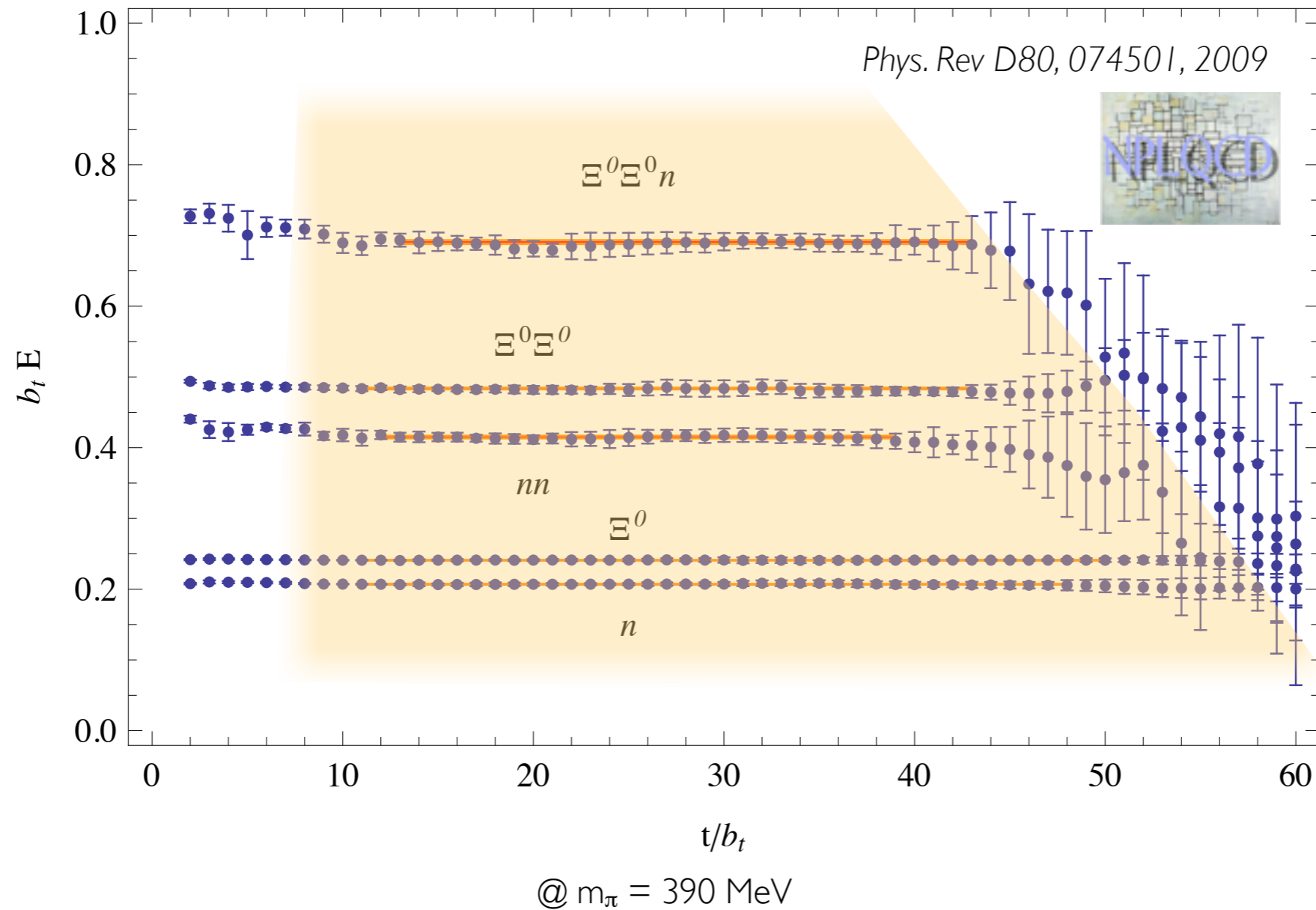
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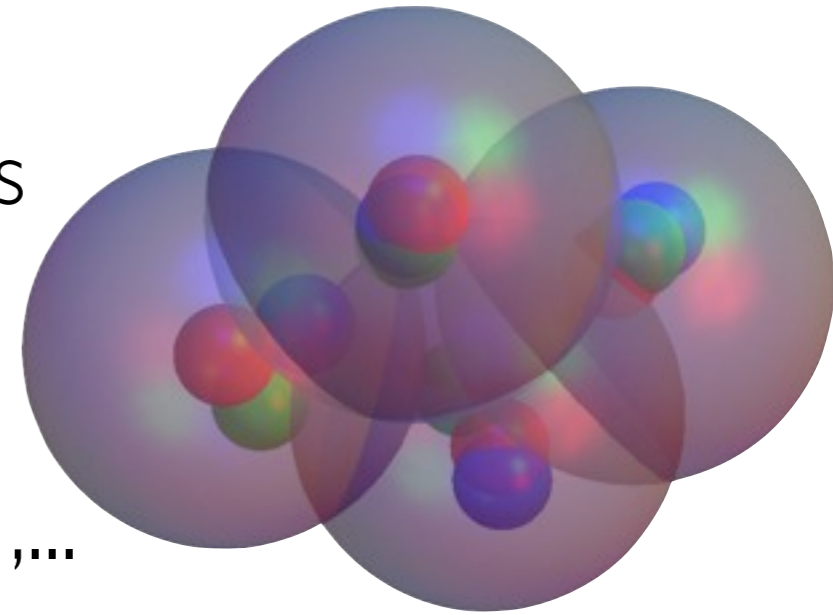
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# Multi-baryon systems

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- Scattering and bound states
- NB: Strong interaction bound states
- Dibaryons : H, deuteron,  $\Xi\Xi$
- ${}^3\text{H}$ ,  ${}^4\text{He}$  and more exotic:  ${}^4\text{He}_\Lambda$ ,  ${}^4\text{He}_\Lambda$ , ...
- Correlators for significantly larger  $A$
- Caveat: at unphysical quark masses no electroweak interactions





# Bound states at finite volume

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- Two particle scattering amplitude in infinite volume

$$\mathcal{A}(p) = \frac{8\pi}{M} \frac{1}{p \cot \delta(p) - ip}$$

scattering  
phase shift

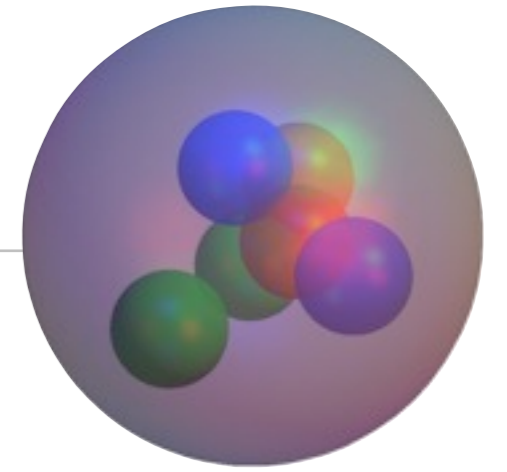
bound state at  $p^2 = -\gamma^2$  when  $\cot \delta(i\gamma) = i$

- Scattering amplitude in finite volume (Lüscher method)

$$\cot \delta(i\kappa) = i - i \sum_{\vec{m} \neq 0} \frac{e^{-|\vec{m}|\kappa L}}{|\vec{m}|\kappa L} \quad \kappa \xrightarrow{L \rightarrow \infty} \gamma$$

- Need multiple volumes
- More complicated for  $n > 2$  body bound states

# H-dibaryon



- Jaffe [1977]: chromo-magnetic interaction

$$\langle H_m \rangle \sim \frac{1}{4}N(N - 10) + \frac{1}{3}S(S + 1) + \frac{1}{2}C_c^2 + C_f^2$$

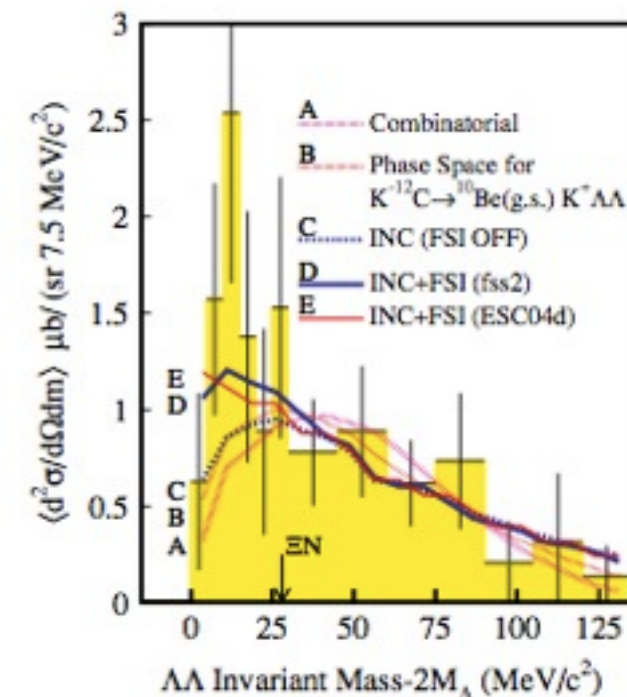
most attractive for spin, colour, flavour singlet

- H-dibaryon (uuddss)  $J=I=0, s=-2$  most stable

$$\Psi_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \left( \Lambda\Lambda + \sqrt{3}\Sigma\Sigma + 2\Xi N \right)$$

- Bound in a many hadronic models
- Experimental searches
  - Emulsion expts, heavy-ion, stopped kaons
  - No conclusive evidence for or against

KEK-ps (2007)  
 $K^- {}^{12}\text{C} \rightarrow K^+ \Lambda \Lambda X$



# H dibaryon in QCD

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- Early quenched studies on small lattices: mixed results

[Mackenzie et al. 85, Iwasaki et al. 89, Pochinsky et al. 99, Wetzorke & Karsch 03, Luo et al. 07, Loan 11]

- Semi-realistic calculations

- “Evidence for a bound H dibaryon from lattice QCD”

PRL 106, 162001 (2011)

$N_f=2+1$ ,  $a_s=0.12$  fm,  $m_\pi=390$  MeV,  $L=2.0, 2.5, 3.0, 3.9$  fm



- “Bound H dibaryon in flavor SU(3) limit of lattice QCD” \*

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$N_f=3$ ,  $a_s=0.12$  fm,  $m_\pi=670, 830, 1015$  MeV,  $L=2.0, 3.0, 3.9$  fm



- NB: Quark masses unphysical, single lattice spacing

\* use a somewhat different method

# H dibaryon in QCD

- Extract energy eigenstates from large Euclidean time behaviour of two-point correlators

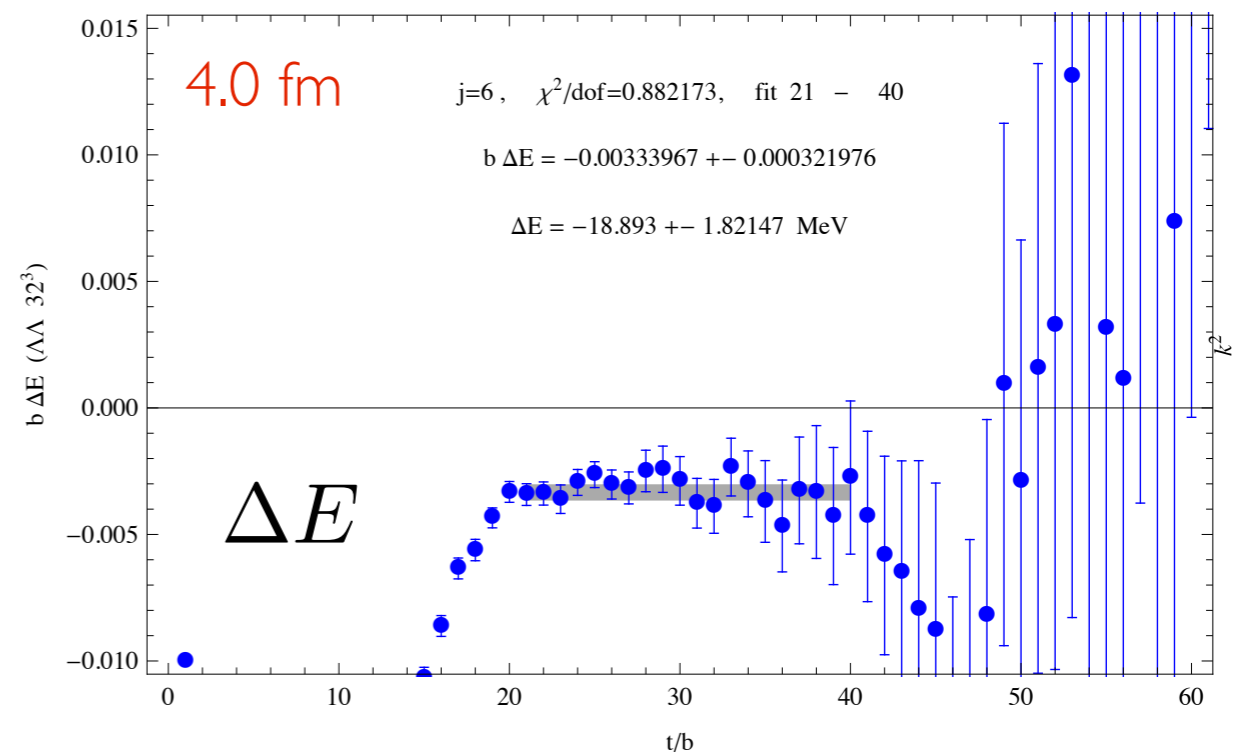
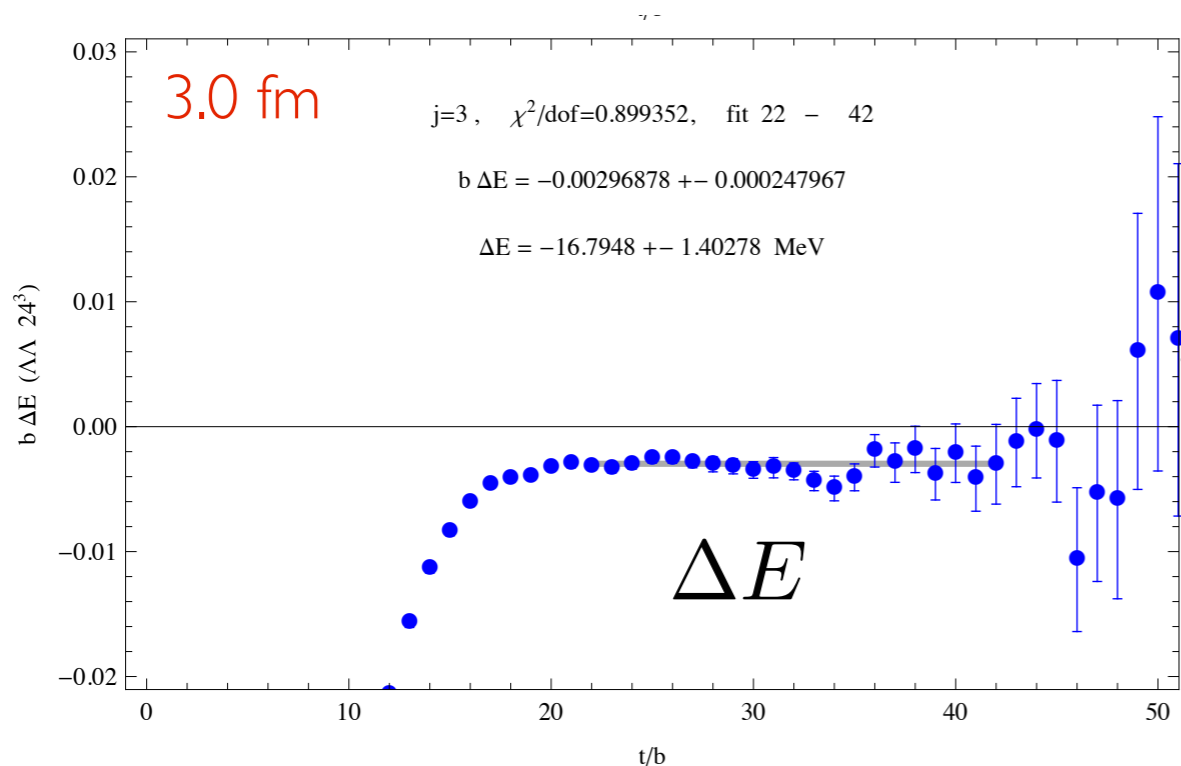
$$C_{\Lambda}(t) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \langle 0 | \chi(\mathbf{x}, t) \bar{\chi}(0) | 0 \rangle \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} Z_{\Lambda} e^{-M_{\Lambda} t}$$

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$$R(t) = \frac{C_{\Lambda\Lambda}(t)}{C_{\Lambda}^2(t)} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{Z} e^{-\Delta E_{\Lambda\Lambda} t}$$

- Correlator ratio allows direct access to energy shift



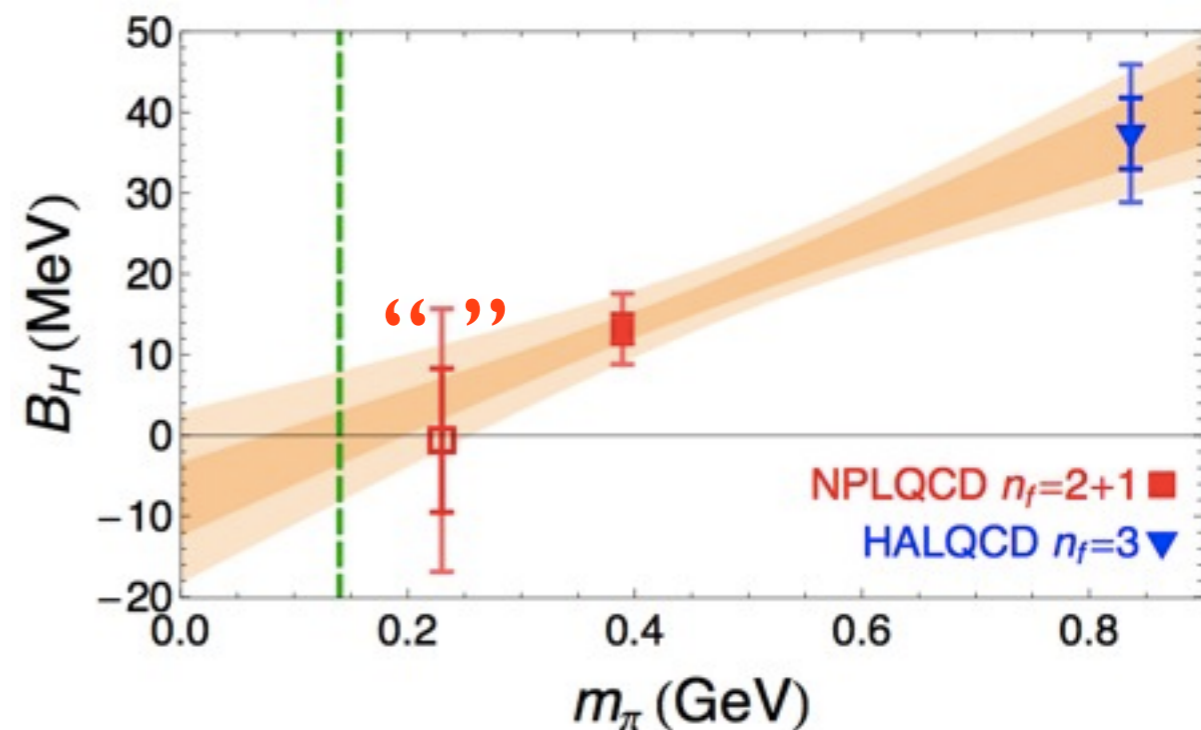
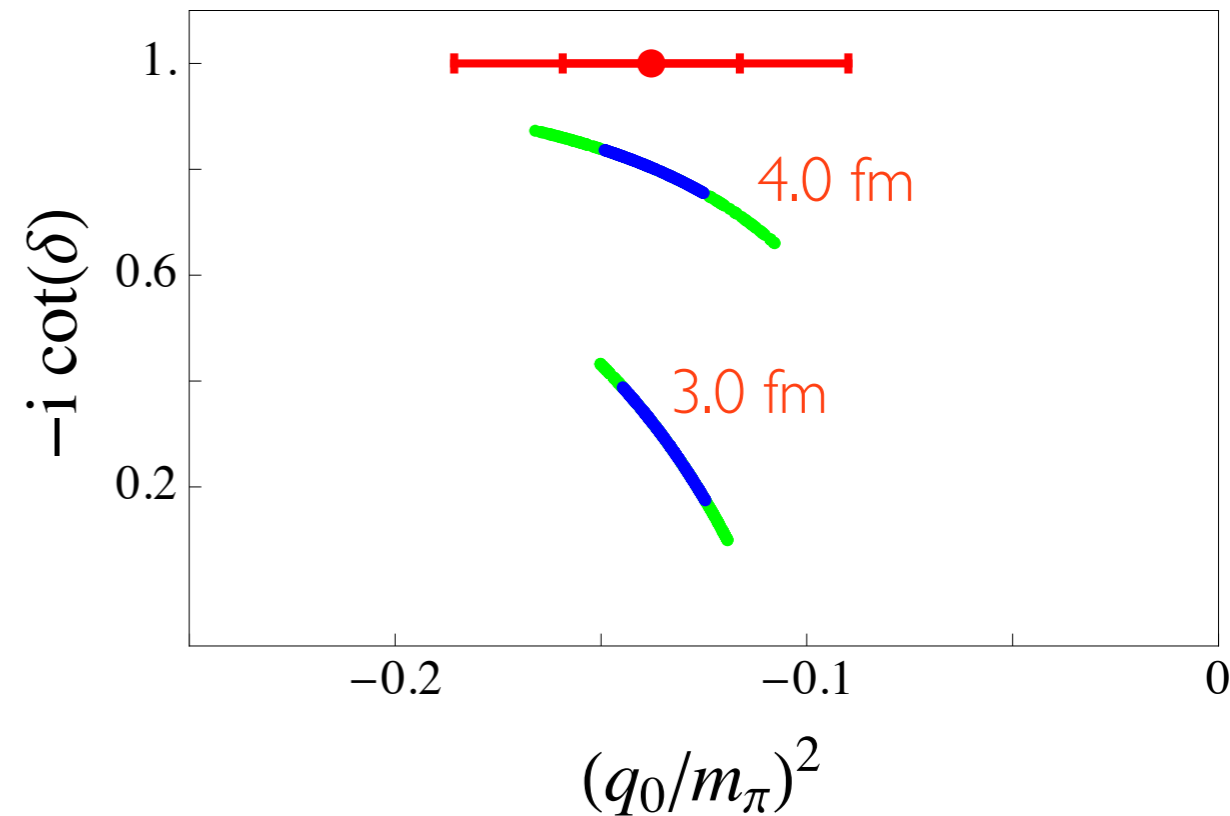
# Simple extrapolations

- After volume extrapolation H bound at unphysical quark masses
- Quark mass extrapolation is uncertain and unconstrained

$$B_H^{\text{quad}} = +11.5 \pm 2.8 \pm 6.0 \text{ MeV}$$

$$B_H^{\text{lin}} = +4.9 \pm 4.0 \pm 8.3 \text{ MeV}$$

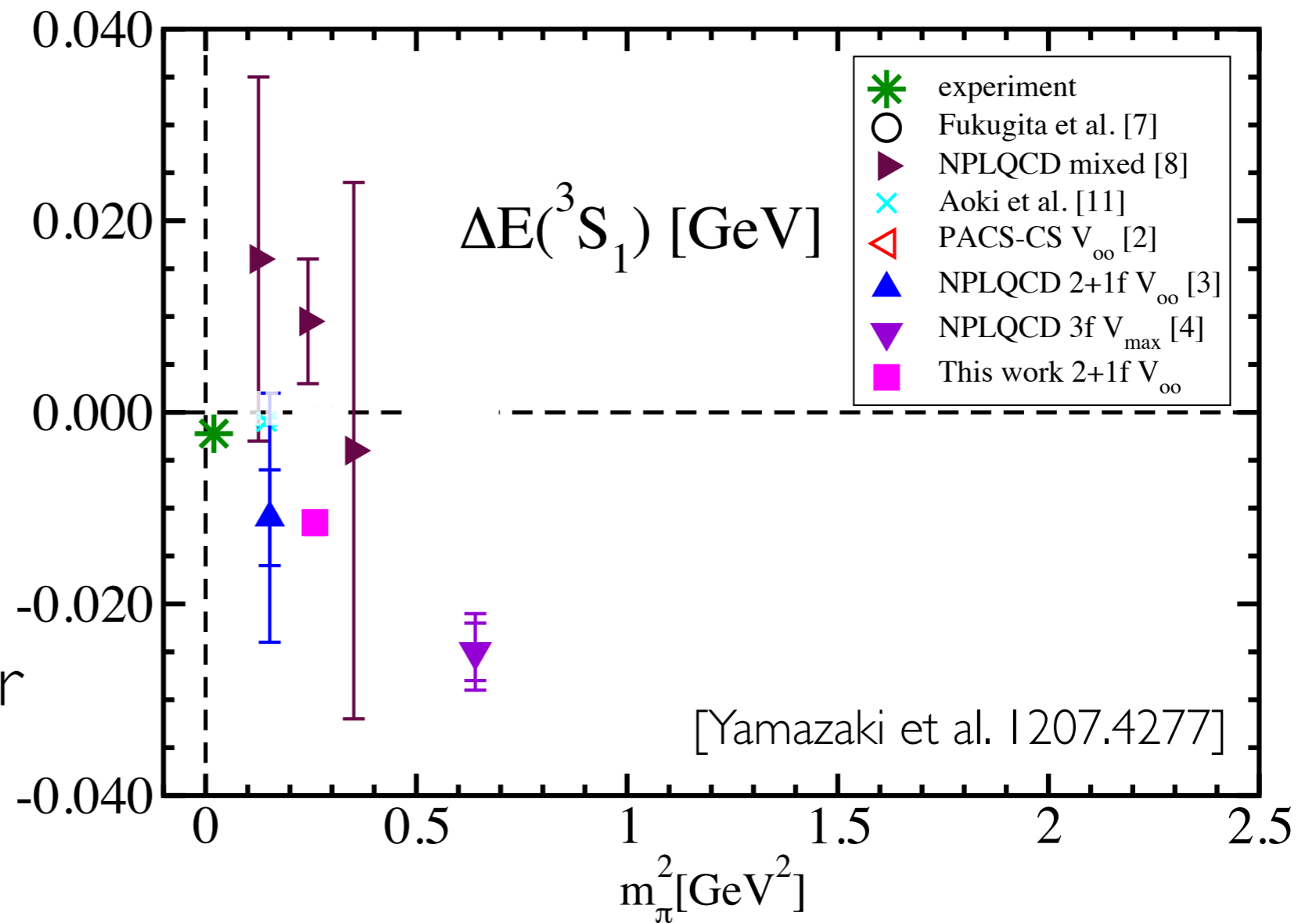
- Other extrapolations, see  
[Shanahan, Thomas & Young PRL 107 (2011) 092004,  
Haidenbauer & Meissner 1109.3590]
- Suggests H is weakly bound or just unbound



\* 230 MeV point preliminary (one volume)

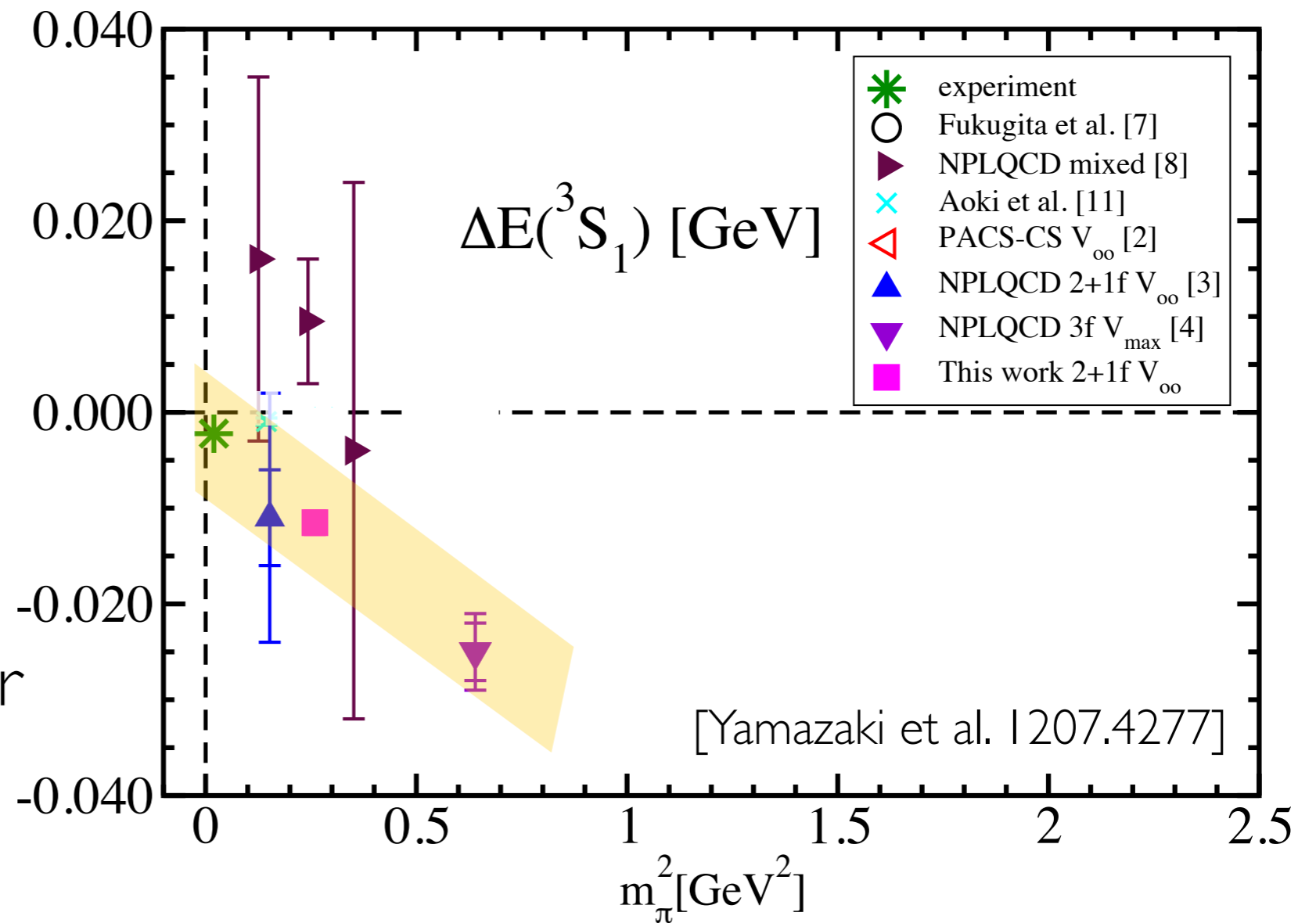
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- Many baryon correlator construction is somewhat messy
- Interpolating fields – minimal expression as weighted sums

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color/spin/flavour/spatial indices

- Generation of weights can be automated (symbolic c++ code) for given quantum numbers
  - Specify final quantum numbers (spin, isospin, strangeness etc)
  - Build up from states of smaller quantum numbers just by using rules of eg angular momentum addition
- Similar ideas by Doi and Endres [1205.0585]
- Contraction just reads in weights and can be implemented independent of the particular process being considered

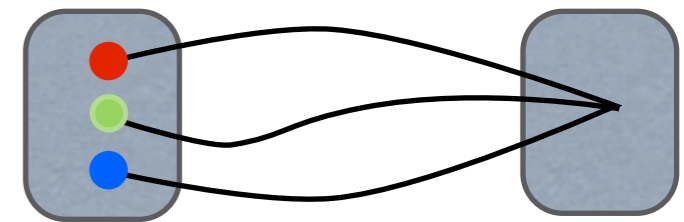


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- Given a complex many baryon system to perform contractions for, always possible to group colour singlets at one end (sink)
- Contractions can be written in terms of baryon blocks (objects that are contracted at sink)
- A particular set of quantum numbers  $b$  for the block is select by a weighted sum of components of quark propagators

$$\mathcal{B}_b^{a_1, a_2, a_3}(\mathbf{p}, t; x_0) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \sum_{k=1}^{N_{B(b)}} \tilde{w}_b^{(c_1, c_2, c_3), k} \sum_{\mathbf{i}} \epsilon^{i_1, i_2, i_3}$$

$$\times S(c_{i_1}, x; a_1, x_0) S(c_{i_2}, x; a_2, x_0) S(c_{i_3}, x; a_3, x_0)$$



- Can be generalised to multi-baryon blocks if desired although storage requirements rapidly increase

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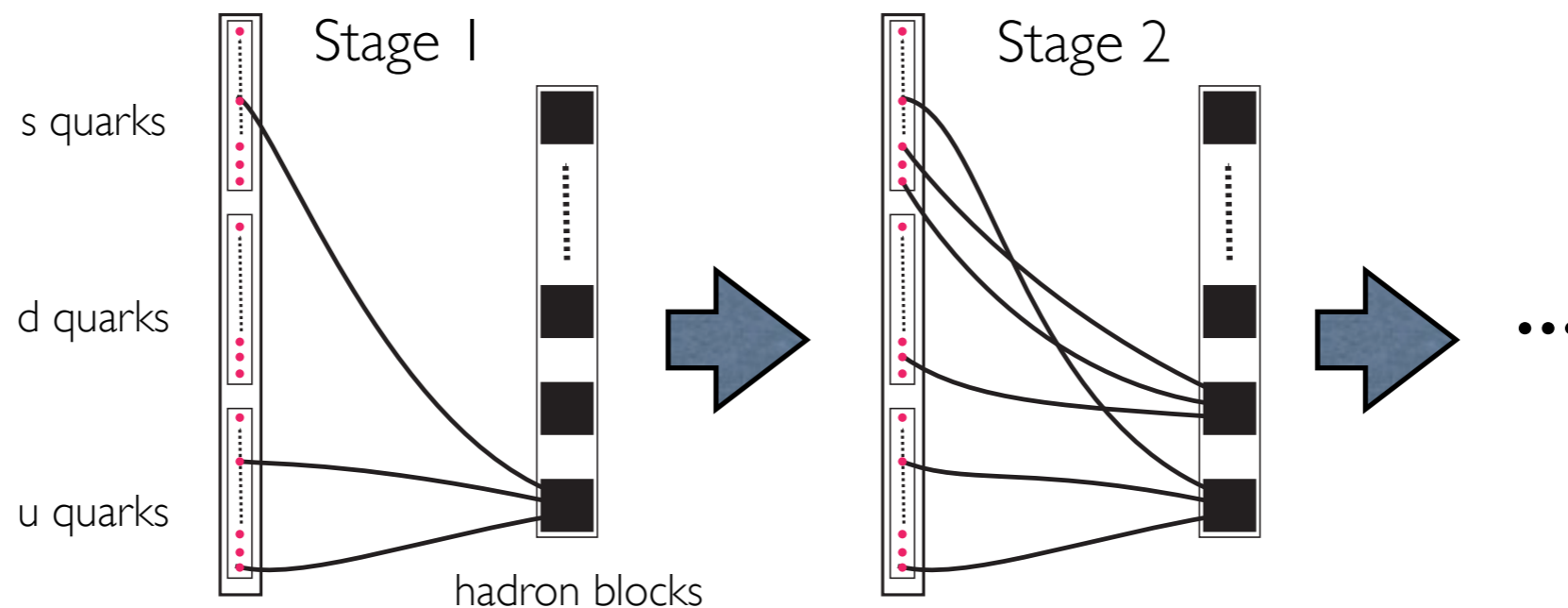
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# Nuclei



- Recent studies at SU(3) point (physical  $m_s$ )
  - Isotropic clover lattices
  - Single lattice spacing: 0.145 fm
  - Multiple volumes: 3.4, 4.5, 6.7 fm
  - High statistics

Label	$L/b$	$T/b$	$\beta$	$b m_q$	$b$ [fm]	$L$ [fm]	$T$ [fm]	$m_\pi$ [MeV]	$m_\pi L$	$m_\pi T$	$N_{\text{cfg}}$	$N_{\text{src}}$
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# SU(3) symmetric world



- In flavour SU(3) symmetric case, multi-baryon states come in multiplets

$$8 \otimes 8 = 27 \oplus 10 \oplus \overline{10} \oplus 8_S \oplus 8_A \oplus 1$$

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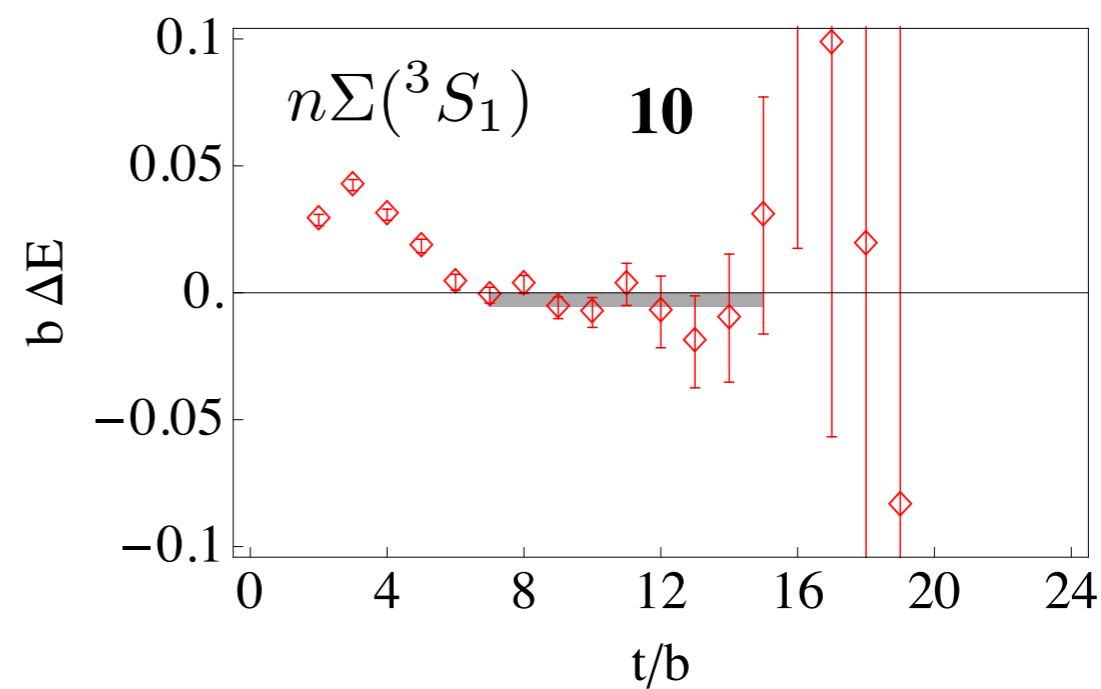
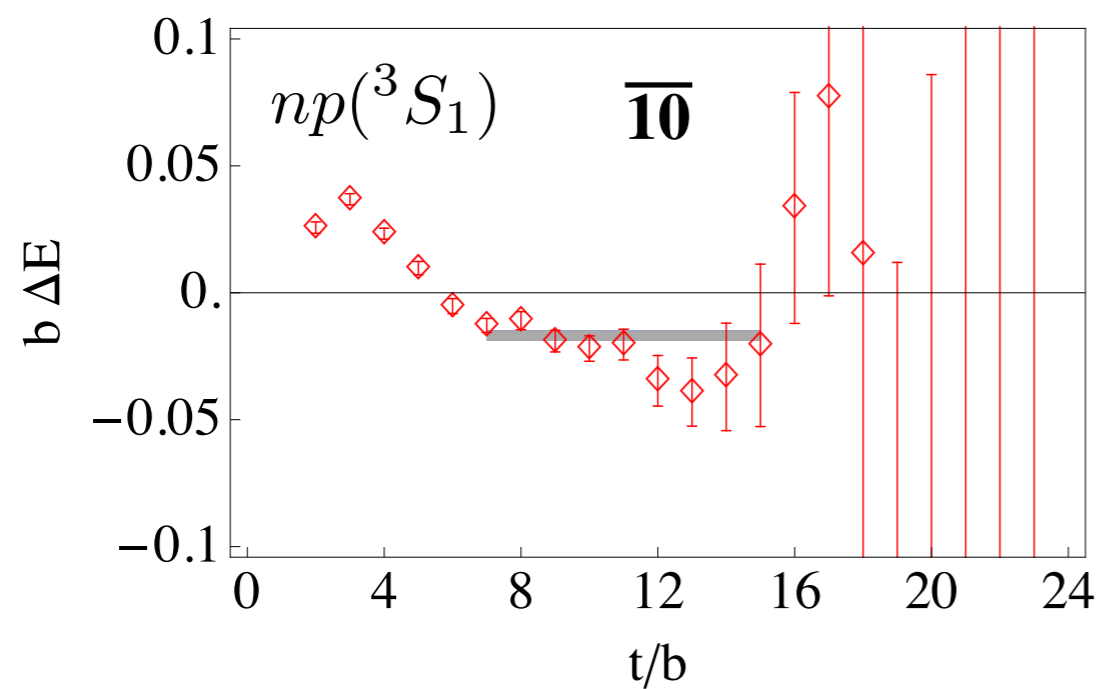
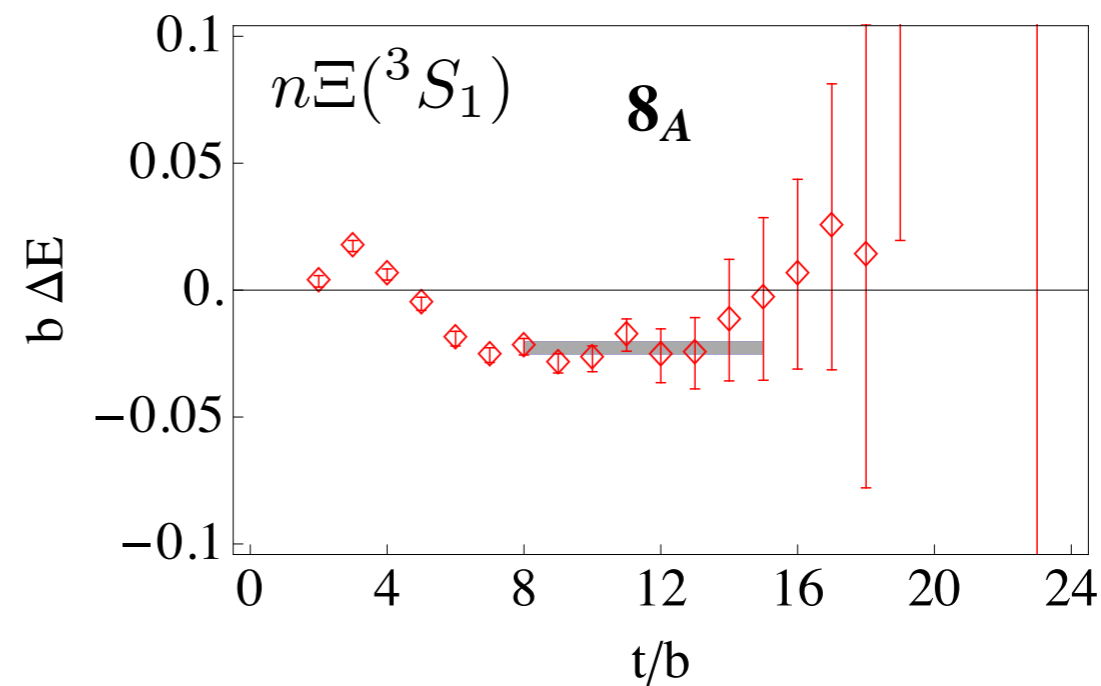
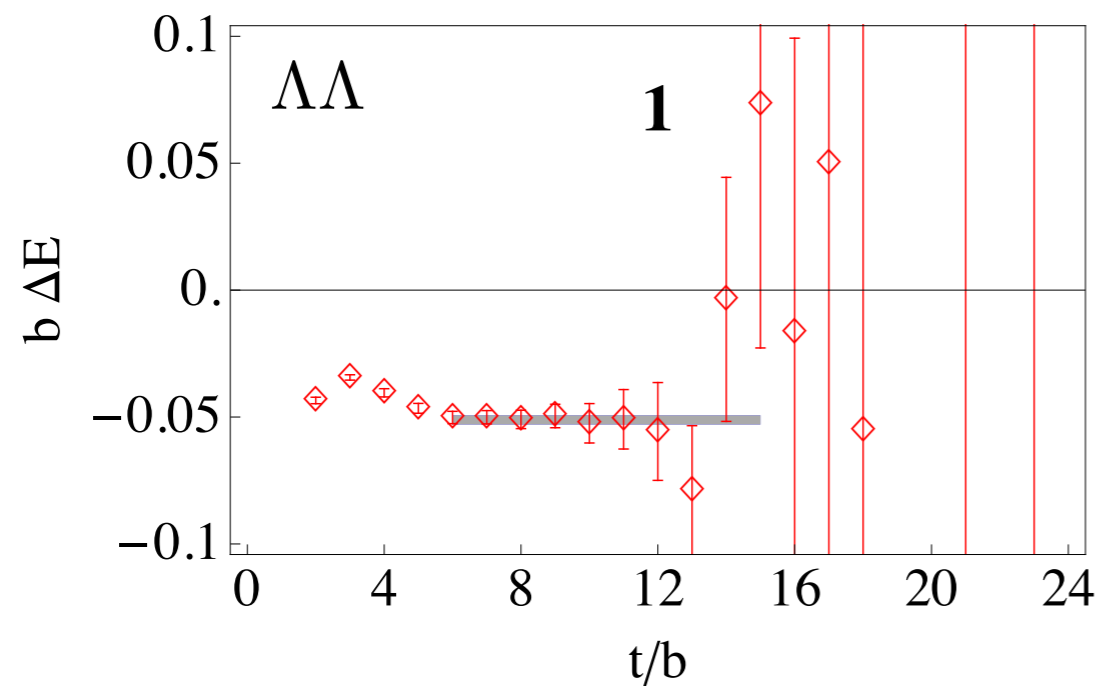
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- Unphysical symmetries manifest in spectrum

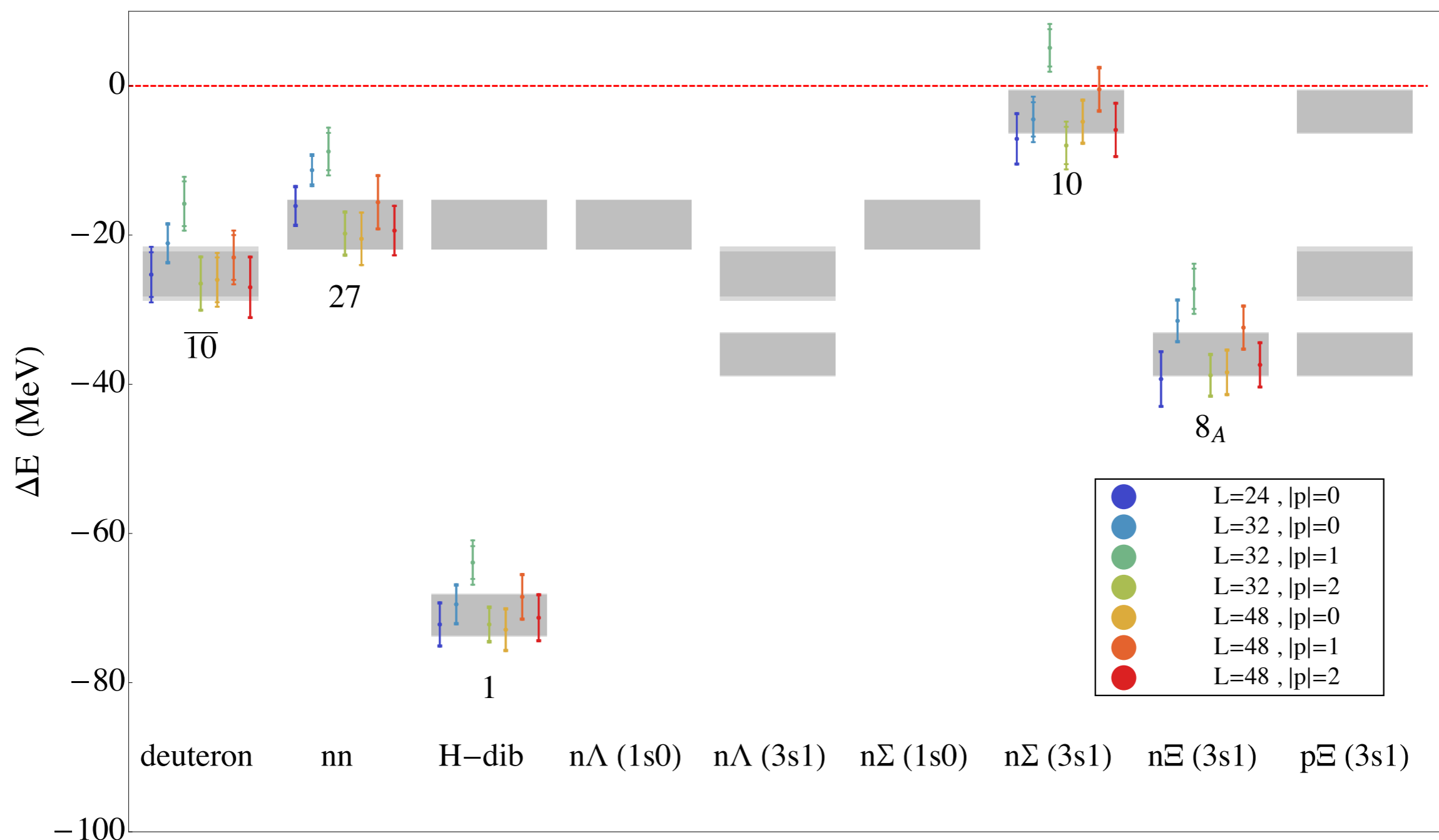
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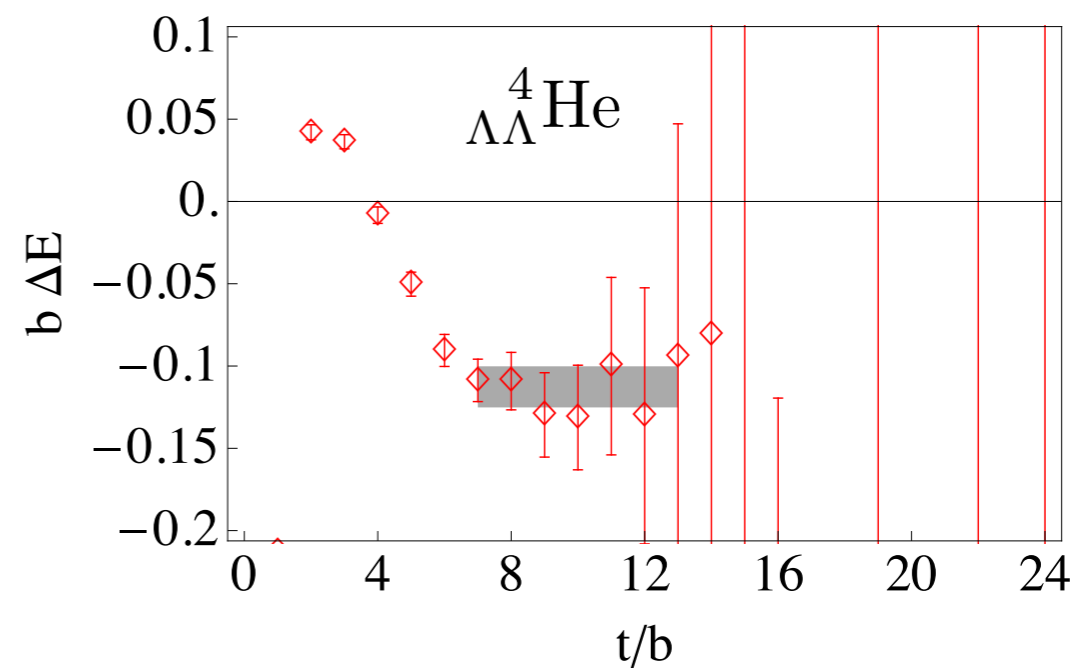
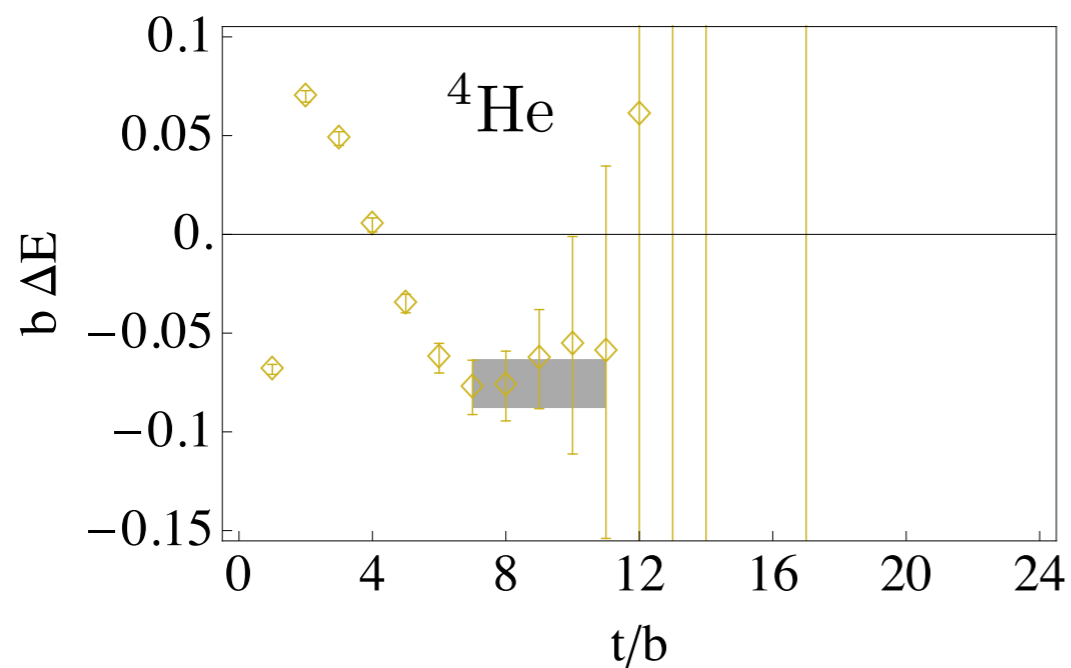
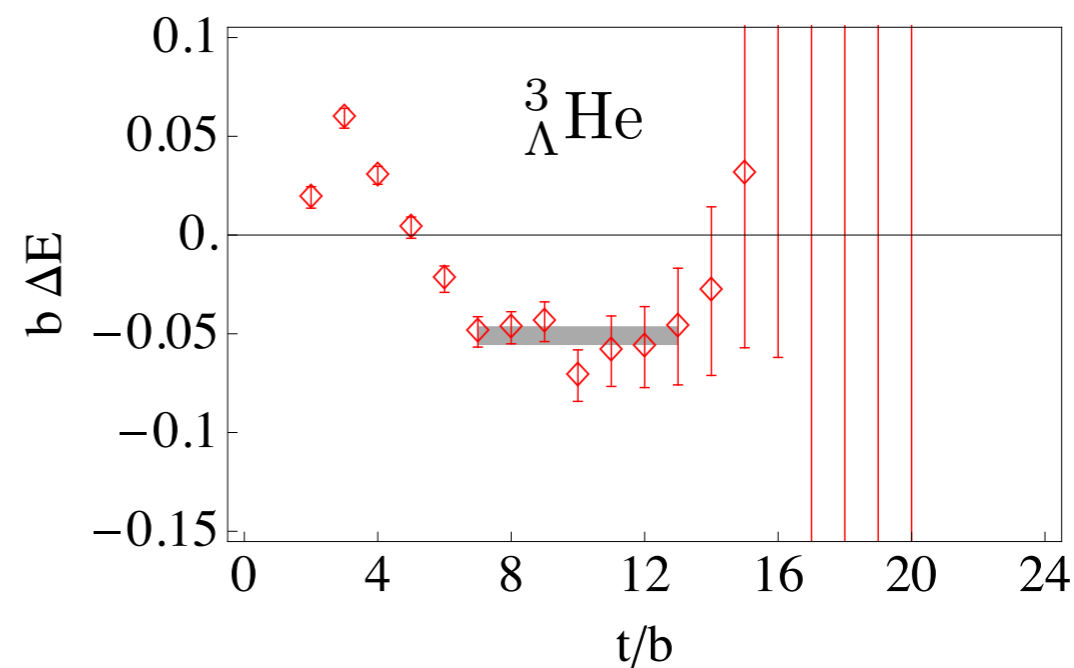
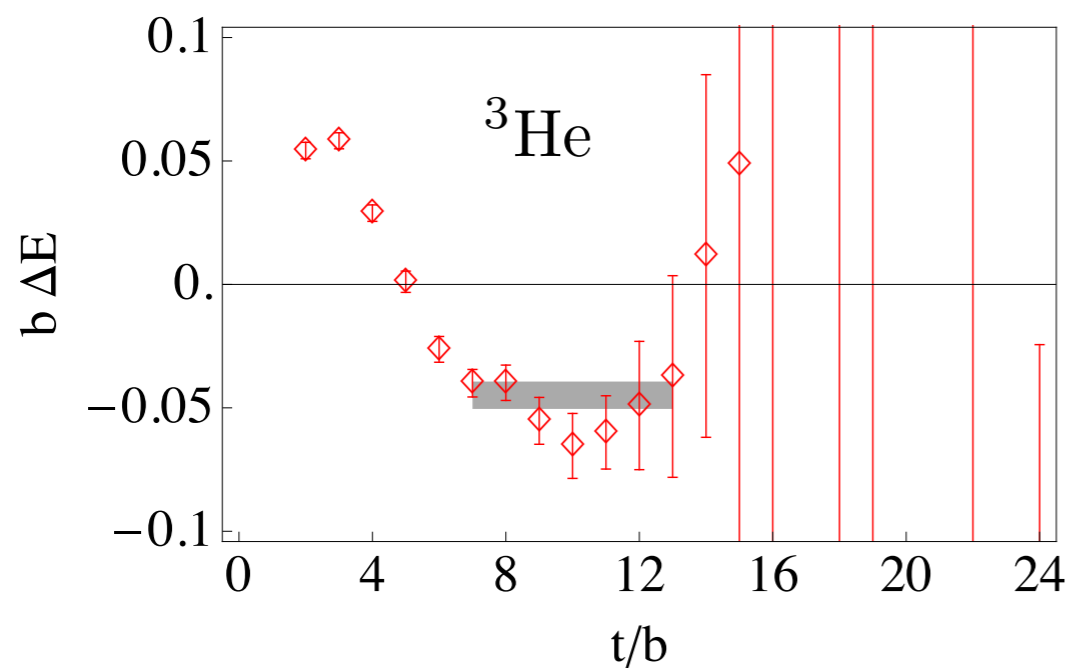
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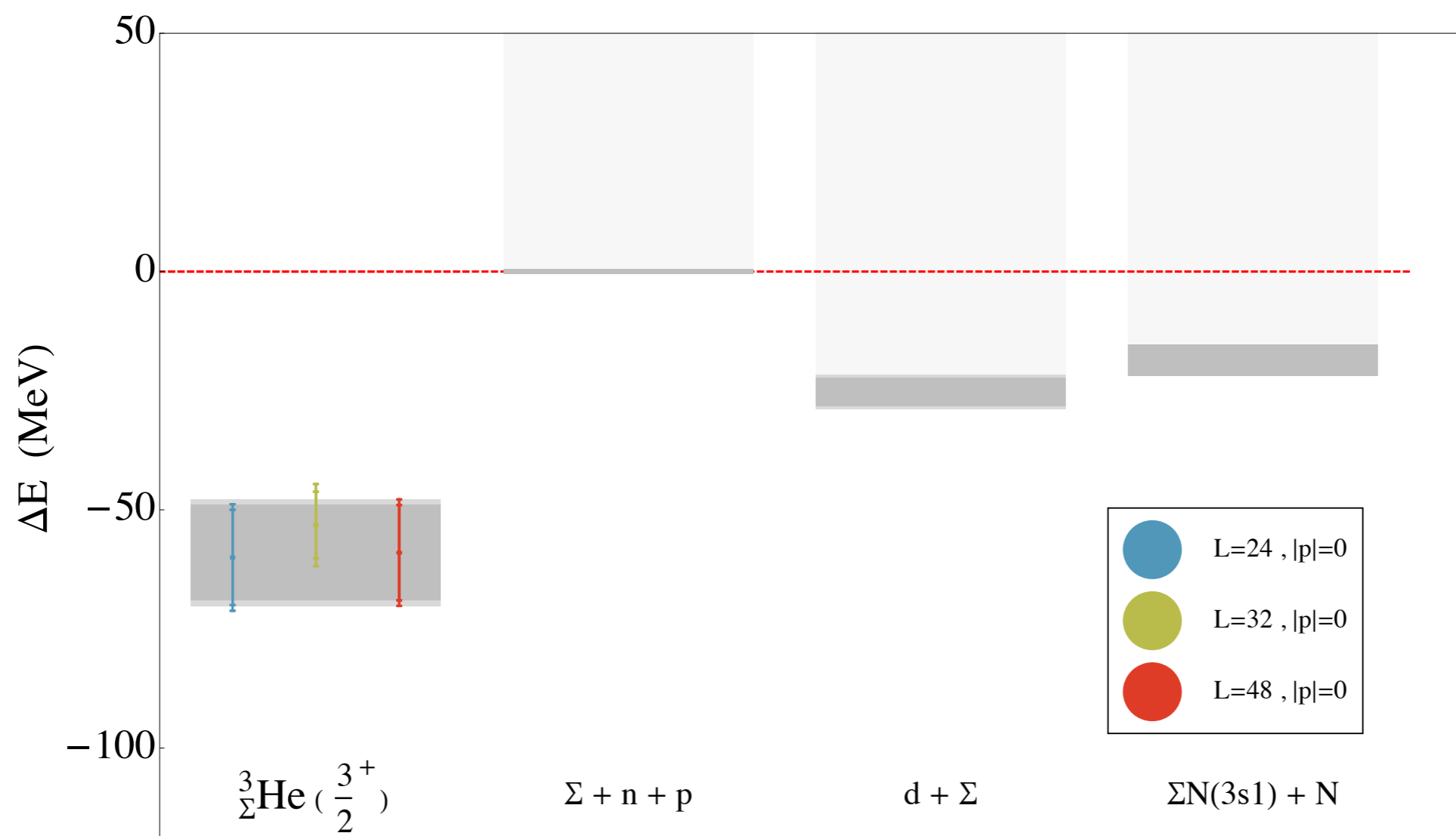
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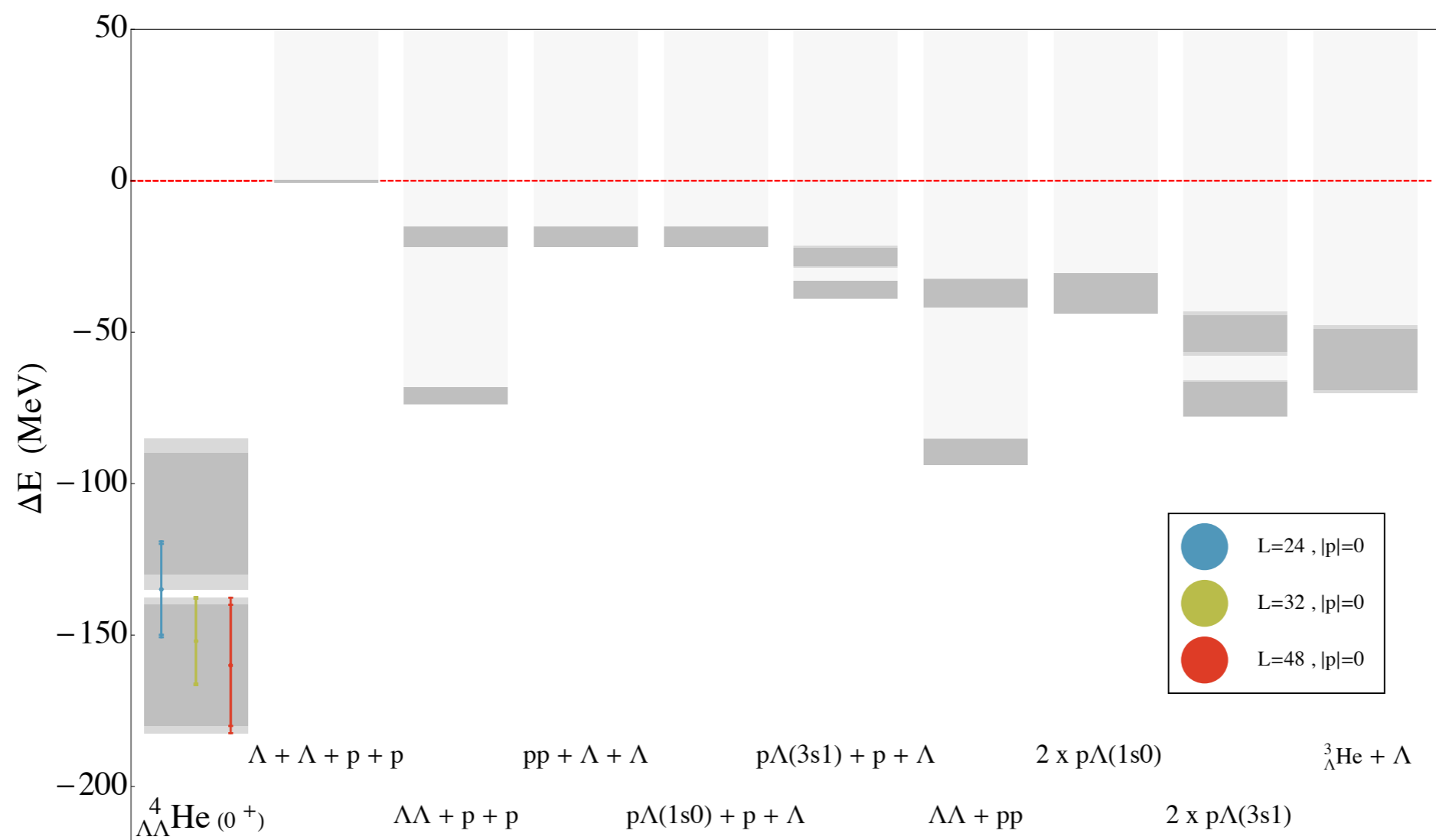
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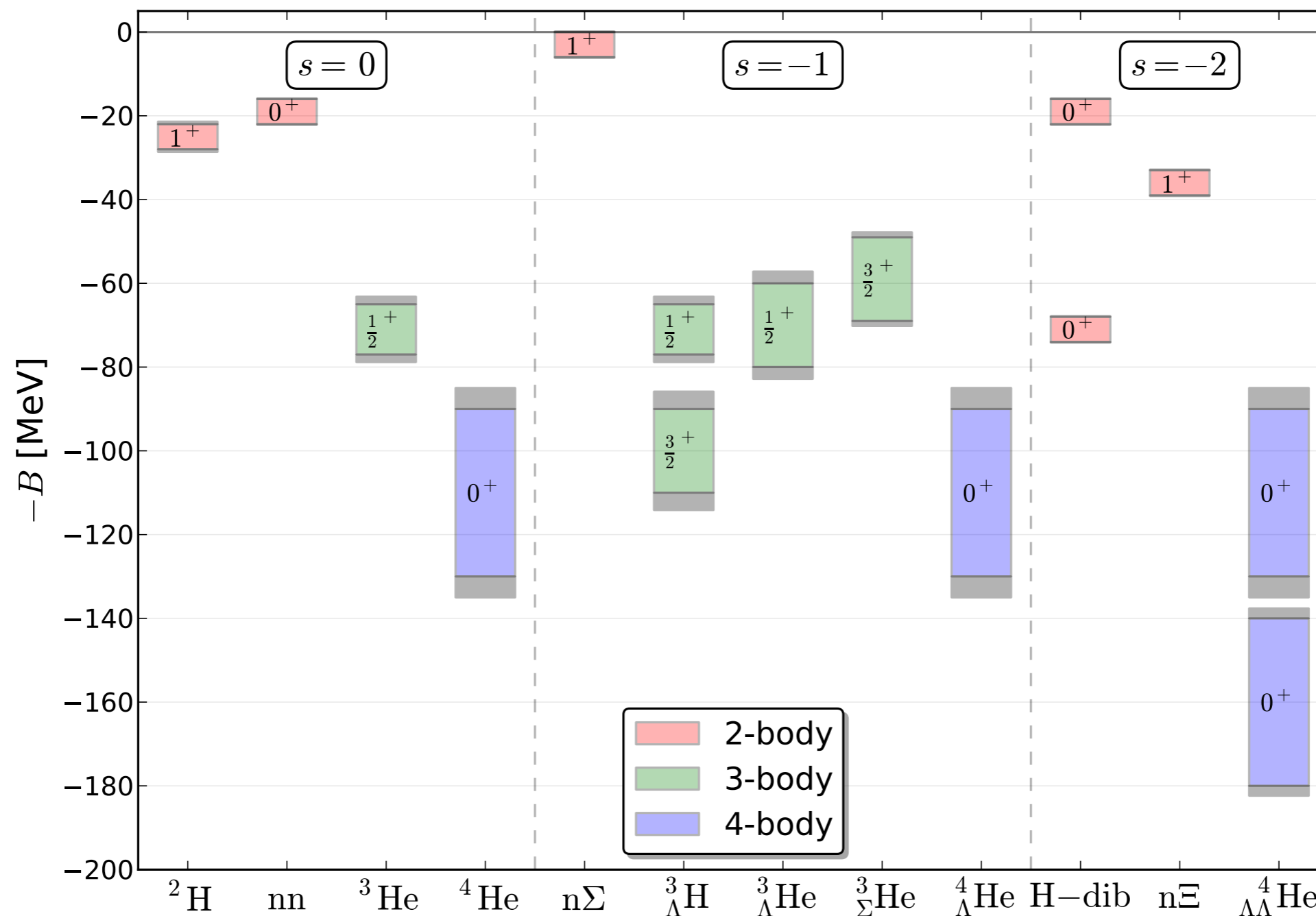
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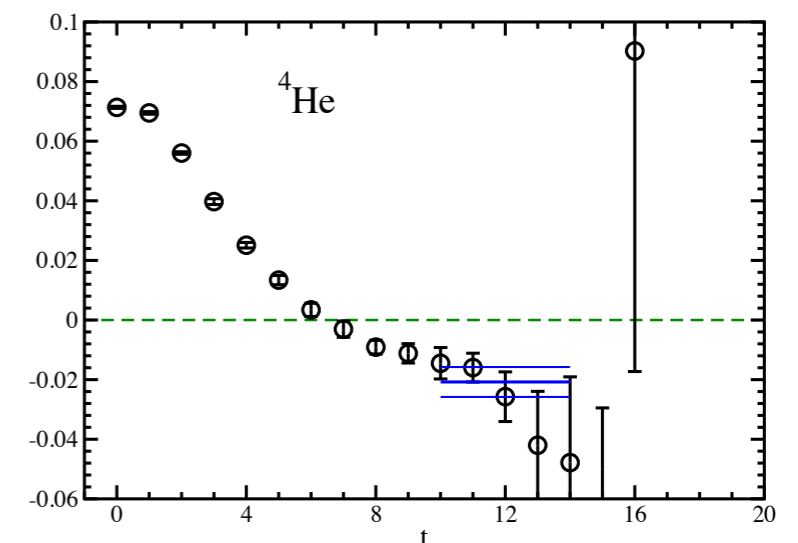
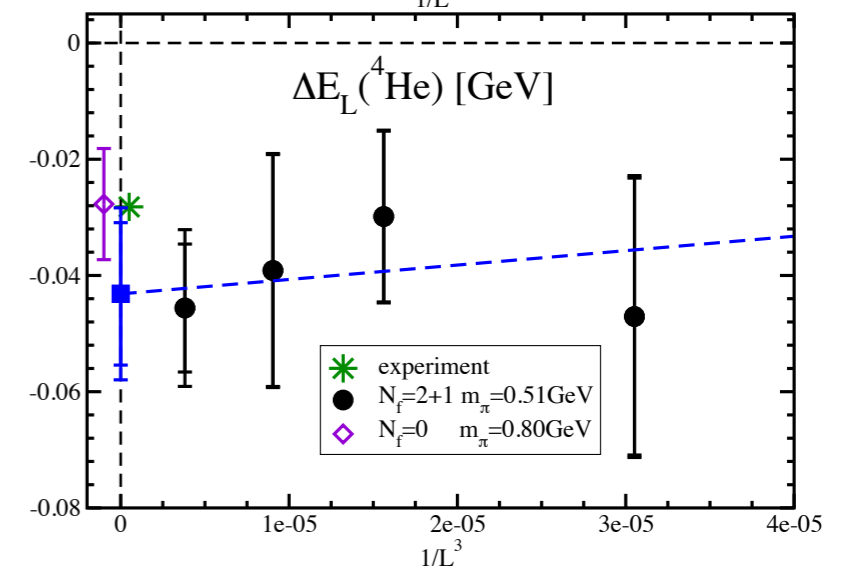
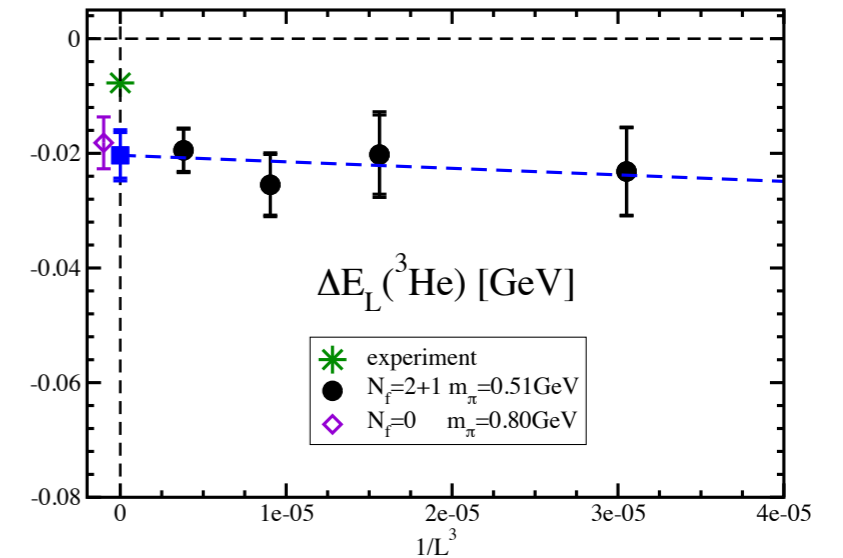
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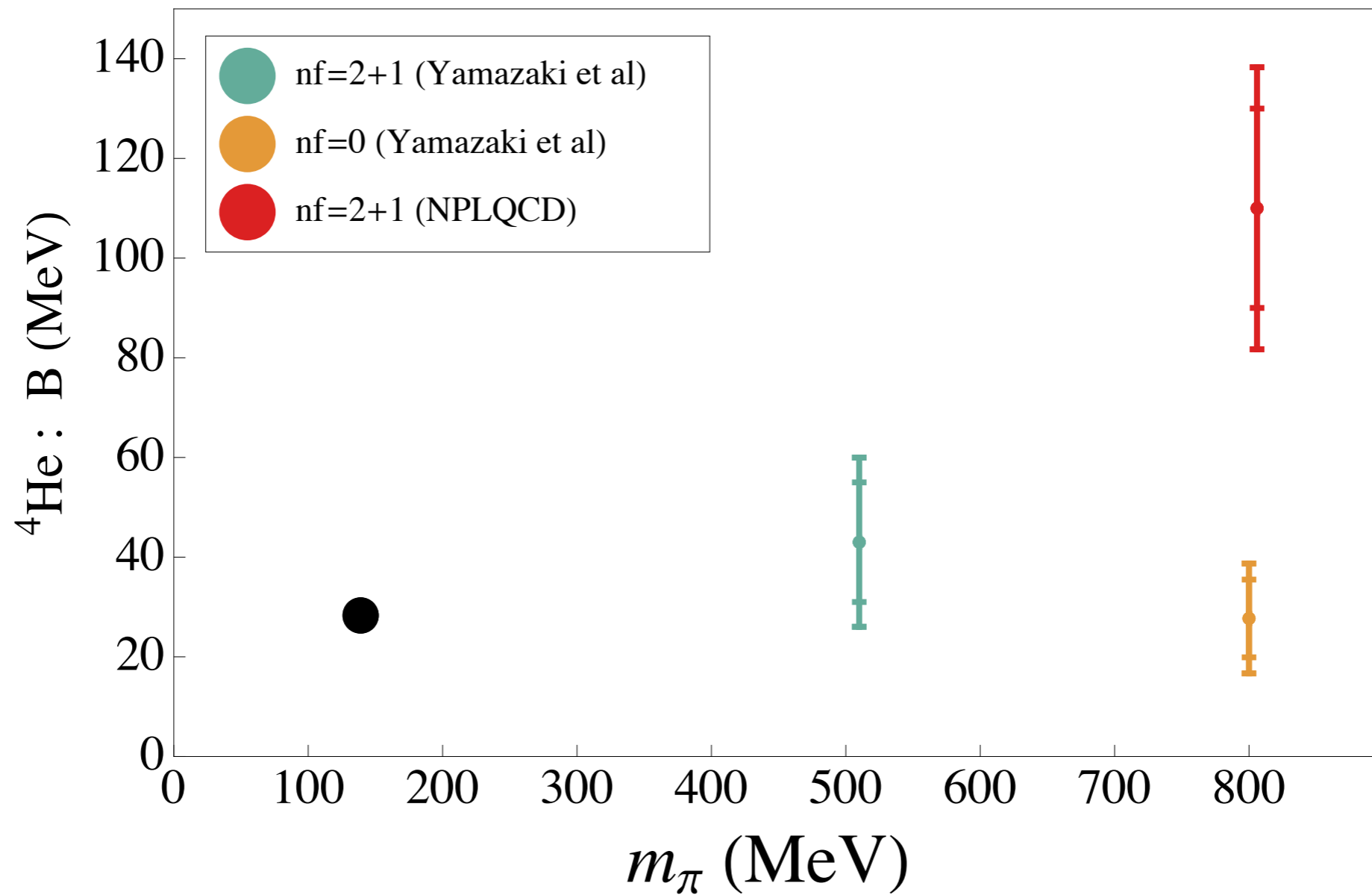


# d, nn, $^3\text{He}$ , $^4\text{He}$

- PACS-CS: bound d, nn,  $^3\text{He}$ ,  $^4\text{He}$
- Previous quenched work
- Recent unquenched study at  $m_\pi=500$  MeV
- HALQCD
  - Extract an NN potential
  - Strong enough to bind H,  $^4\text{He}$  at  $m_{PS}=490$  MeV SU(3) pt
  - d, nn not bound



# $^4\text{He}$ binding



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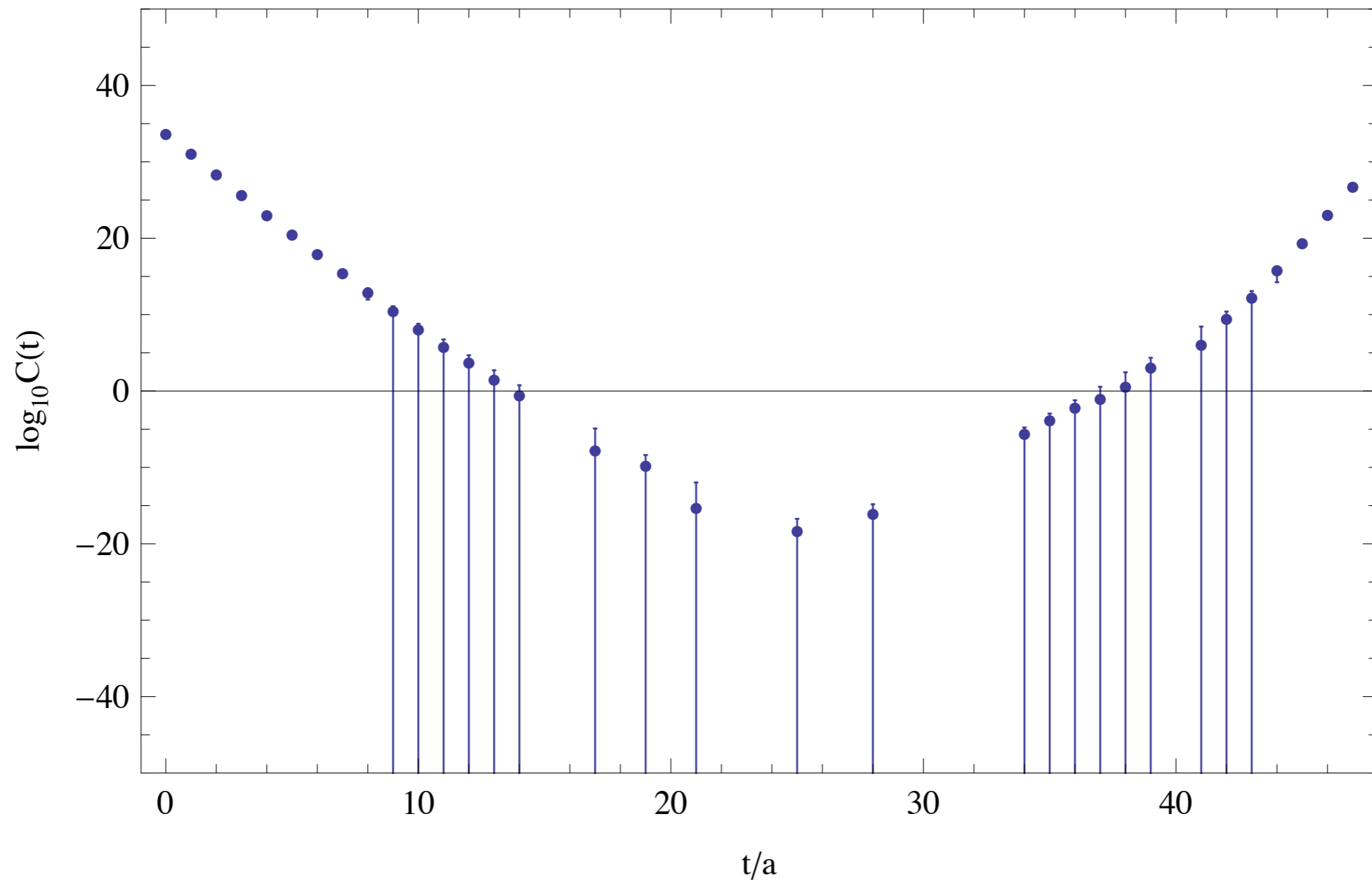
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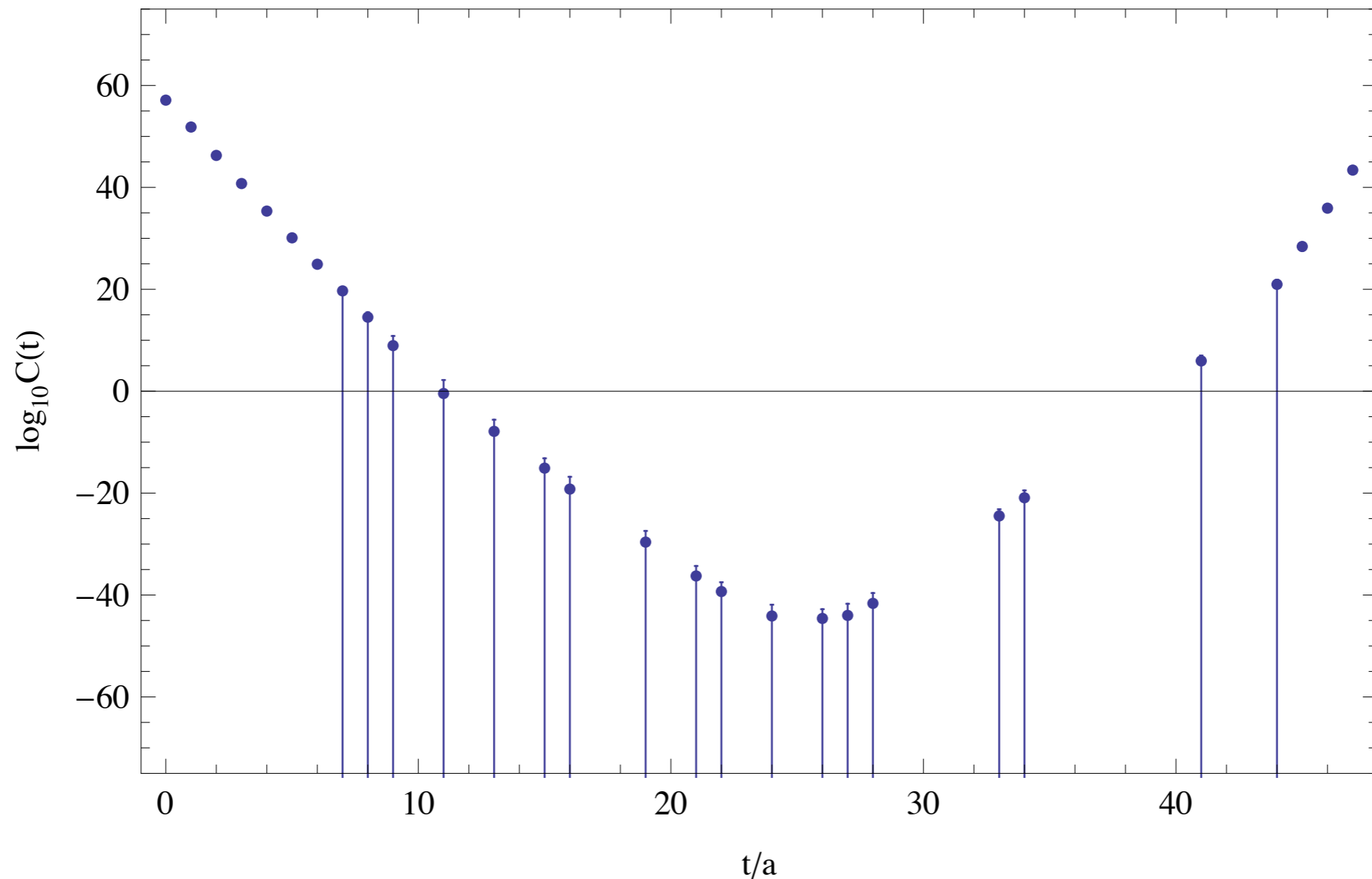
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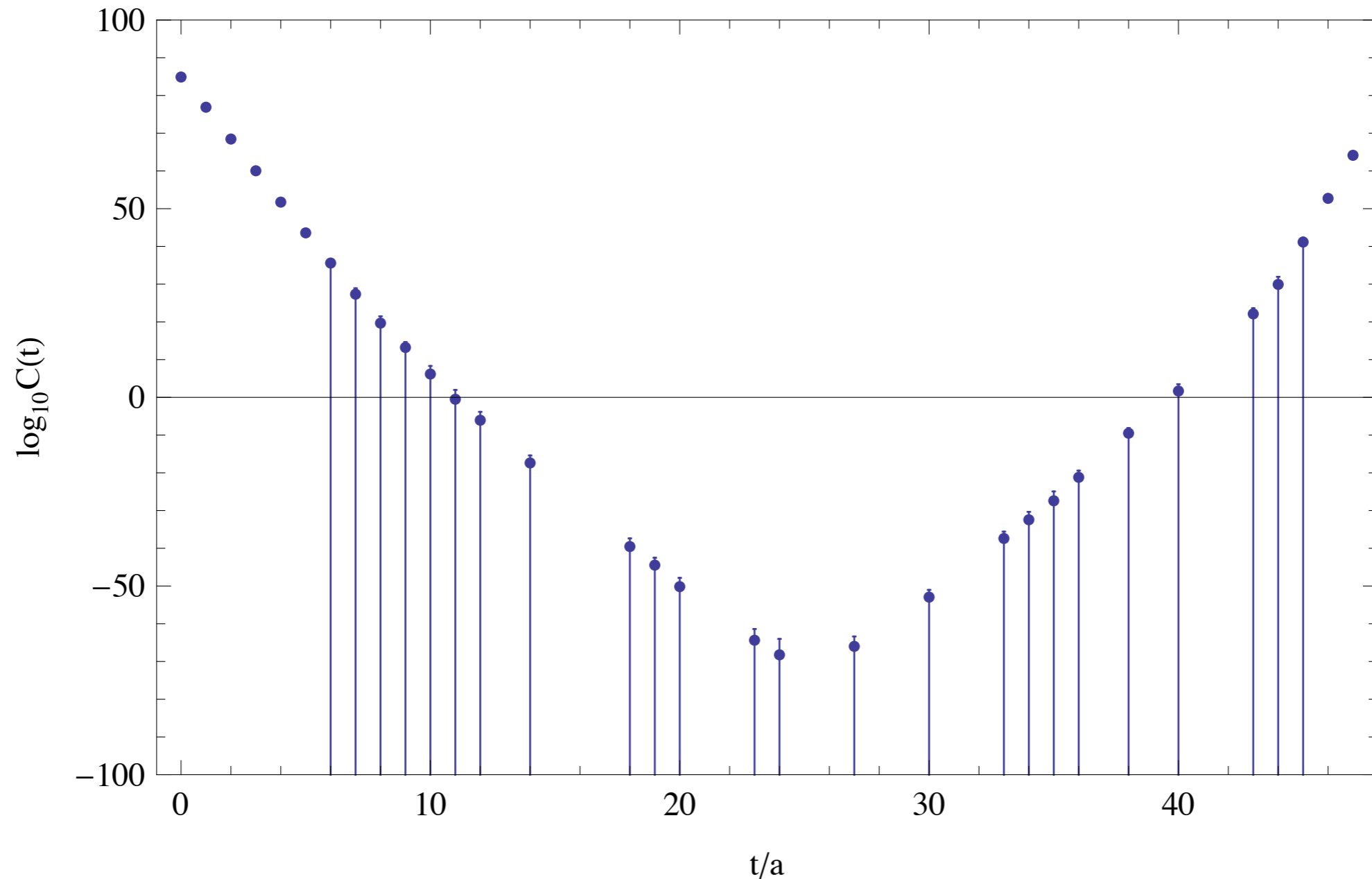




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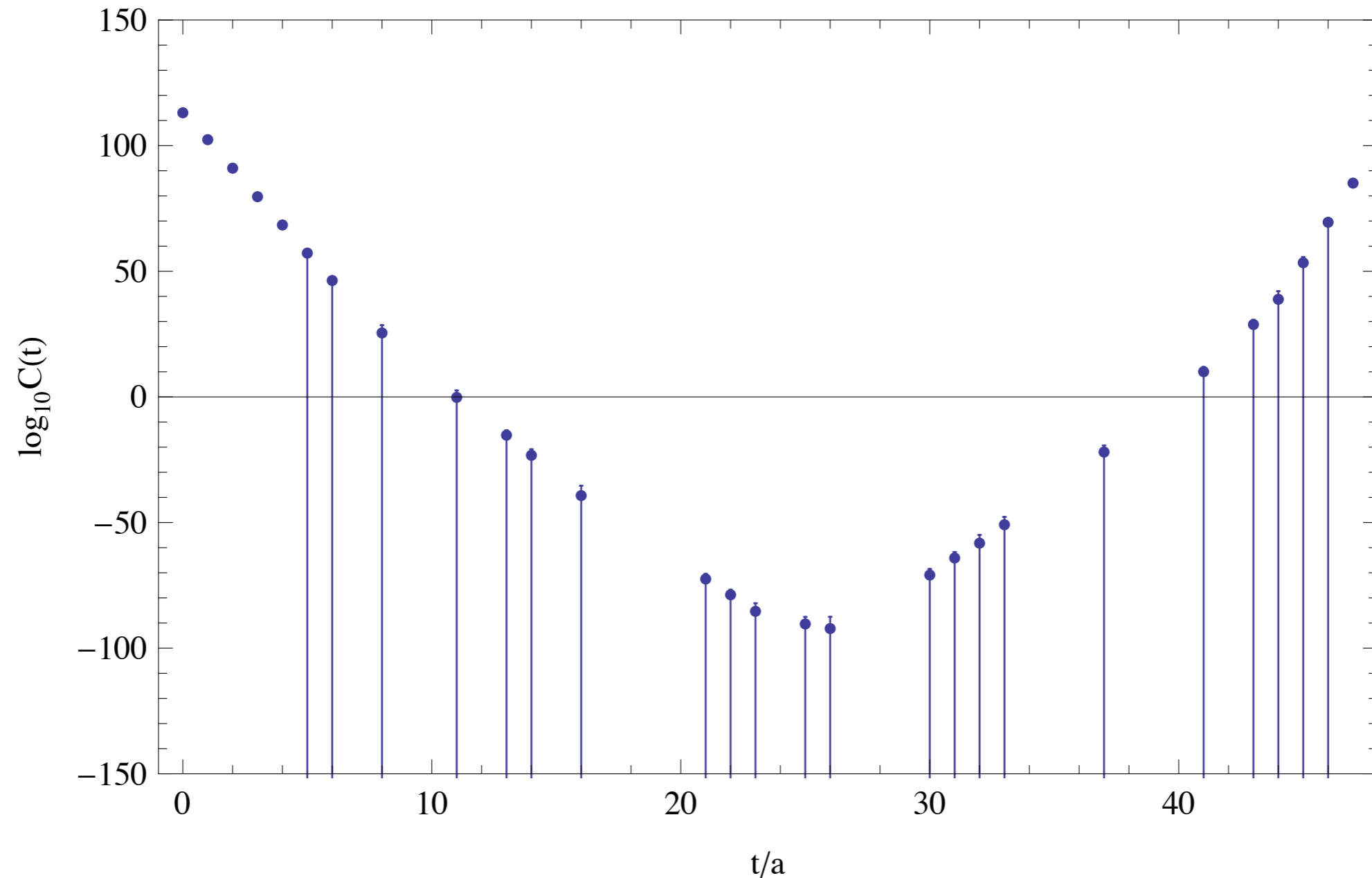
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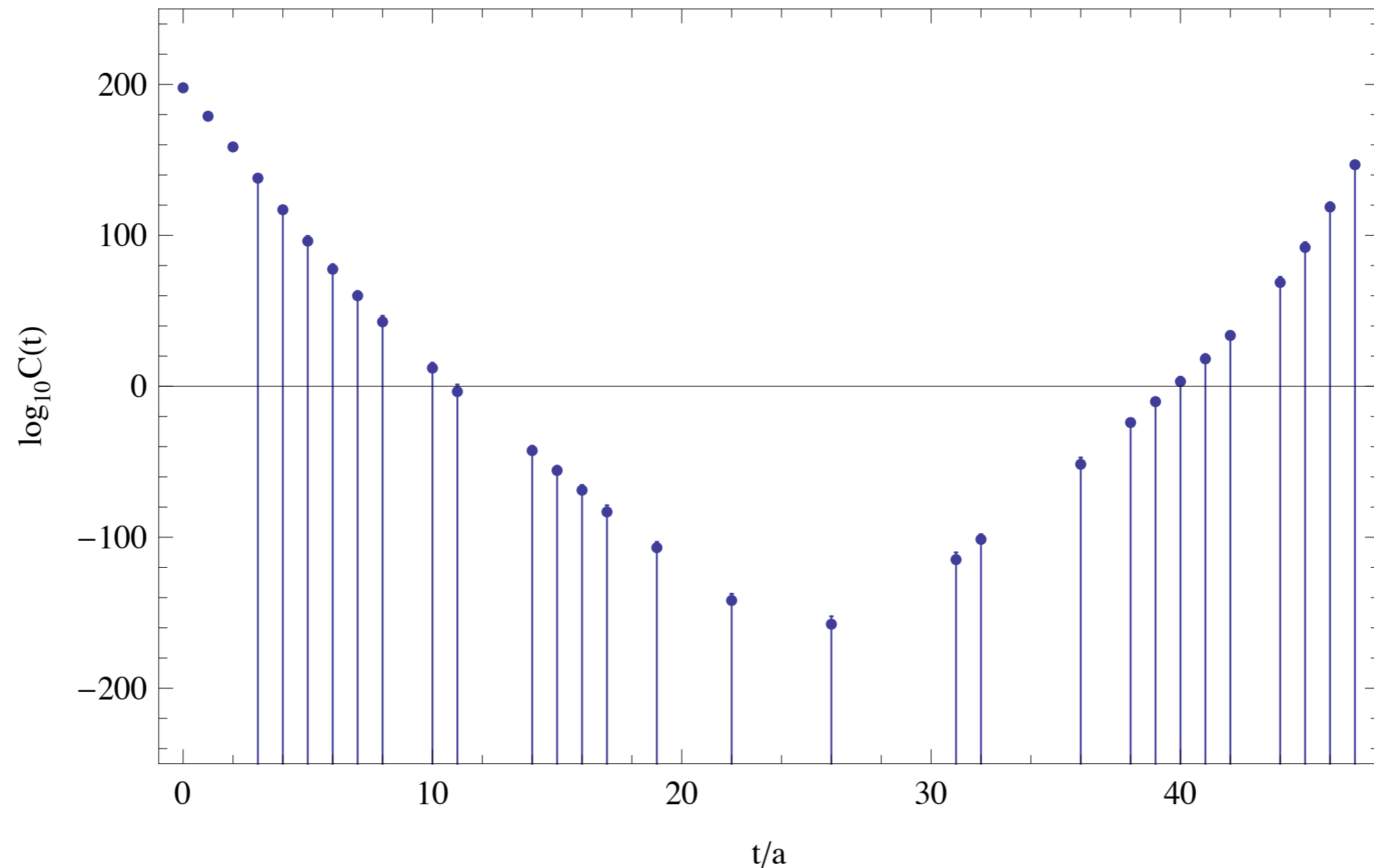
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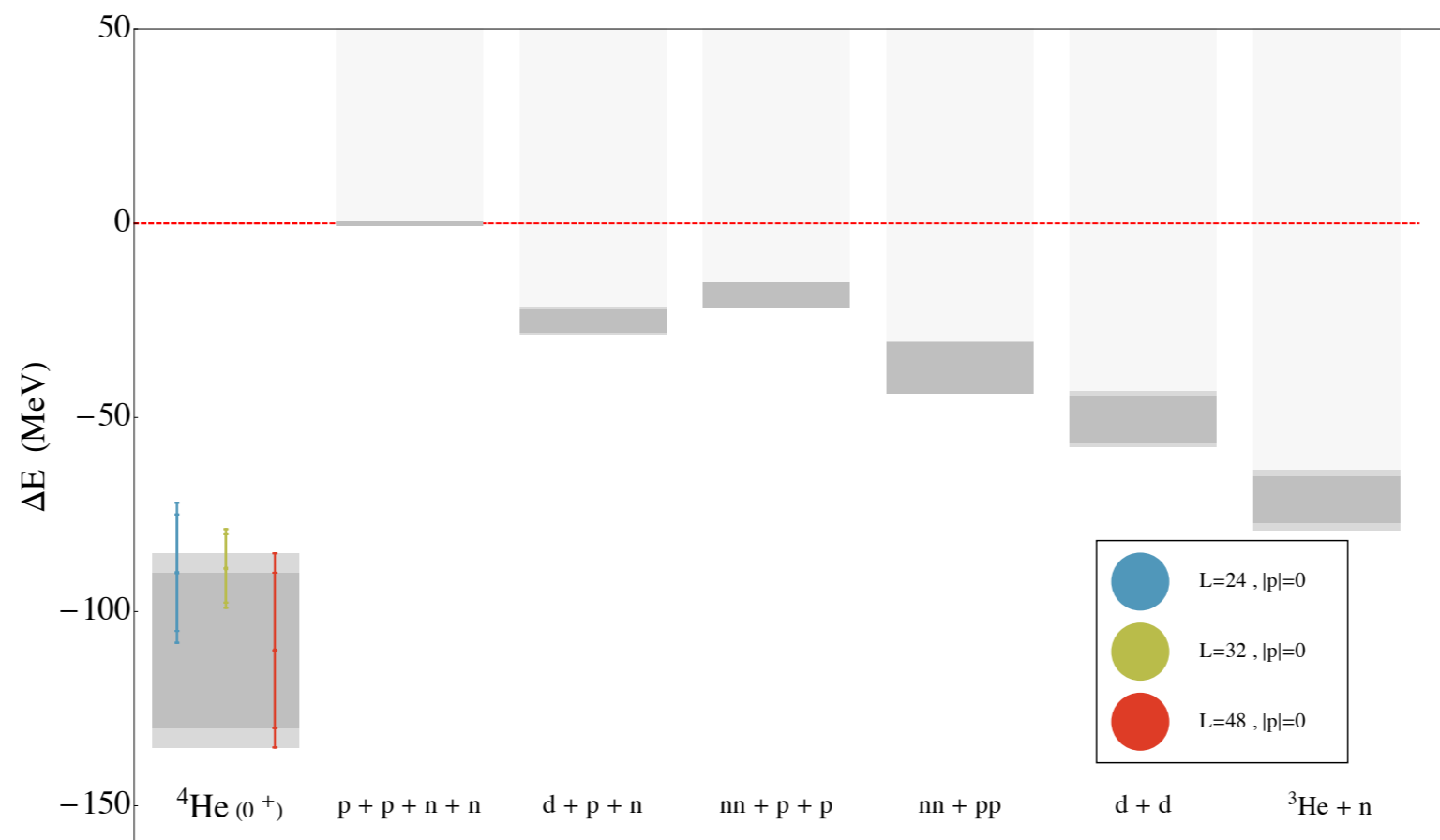
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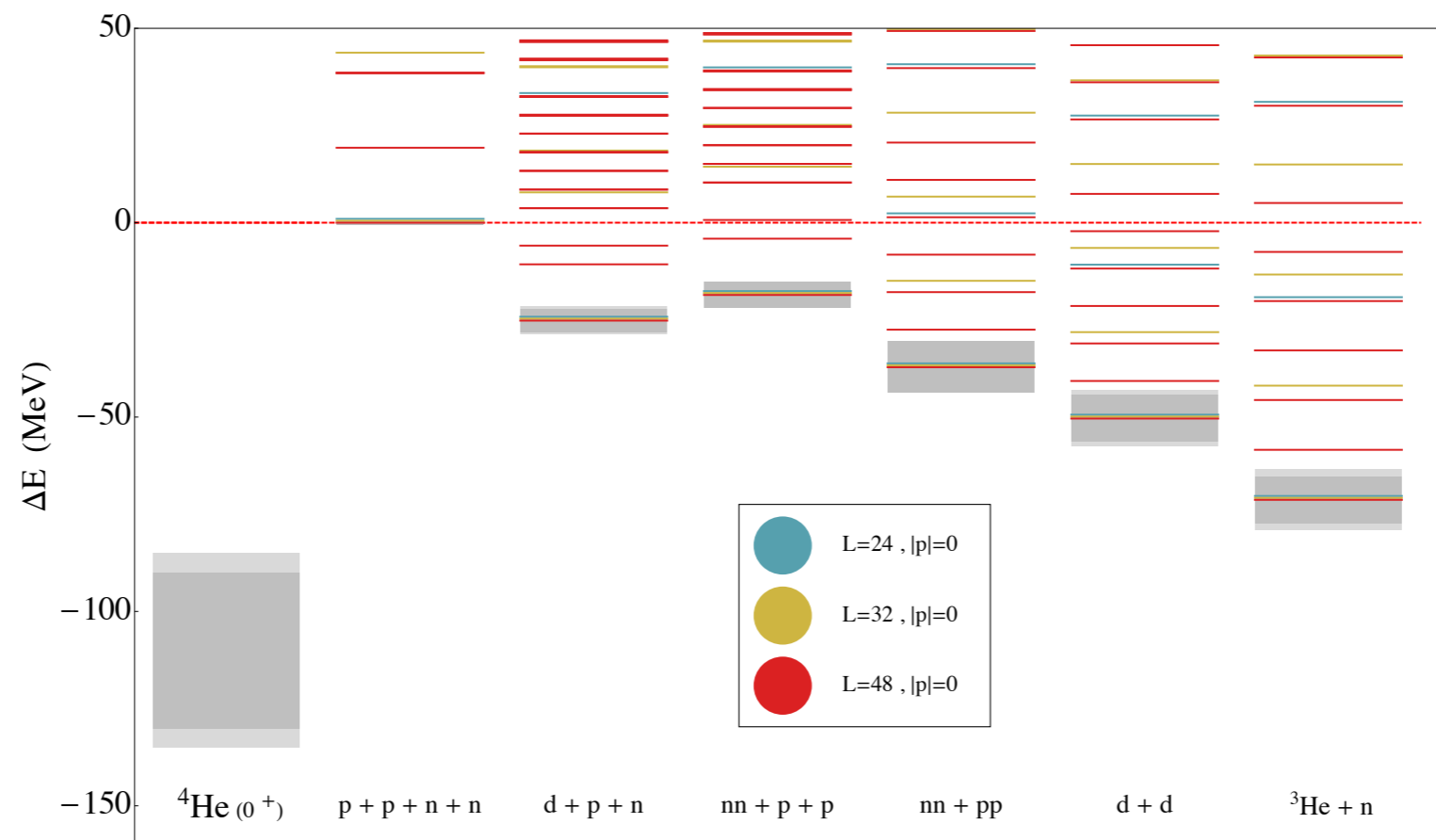
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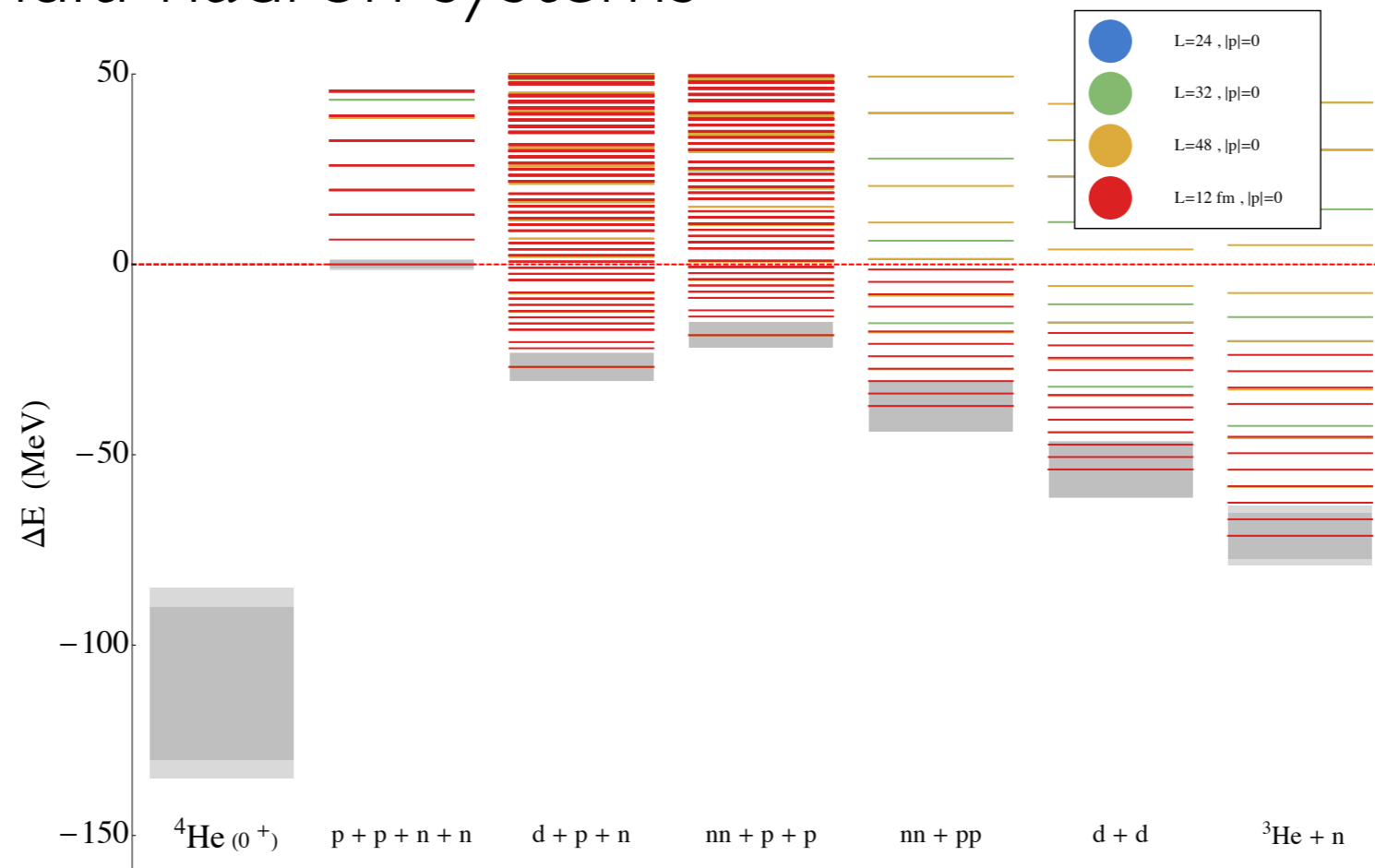
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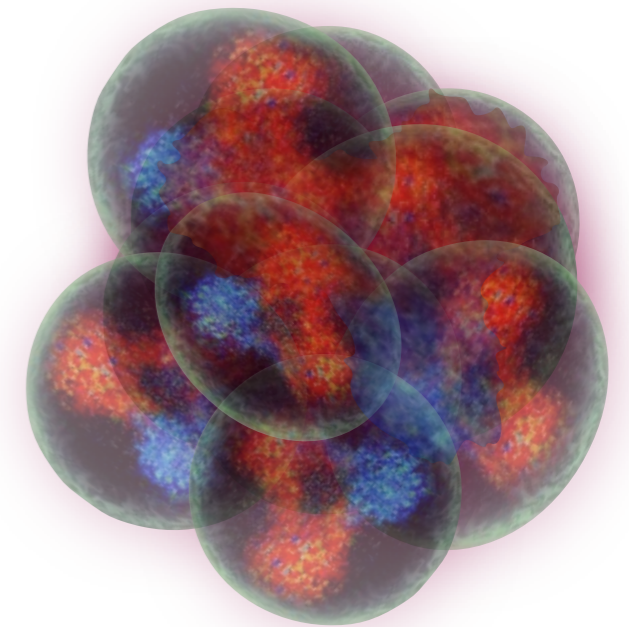
# Issues

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- For large  $A$  systems, how do we control the volume, lattice spacing, unphysical quark mass artefacts?
  - EFT probably loses control/breaks down for  $A > 4$
  - Maybe just empirically?
- What other kinds of observables can we calculate?
  - Structure of bound nuclei

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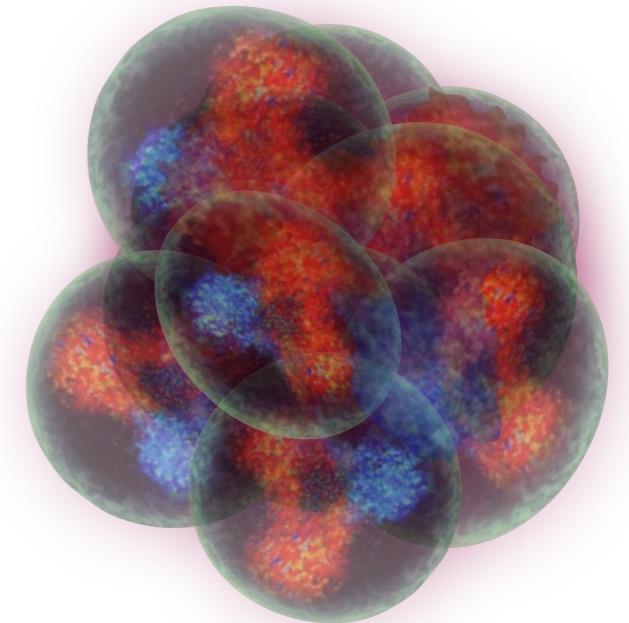




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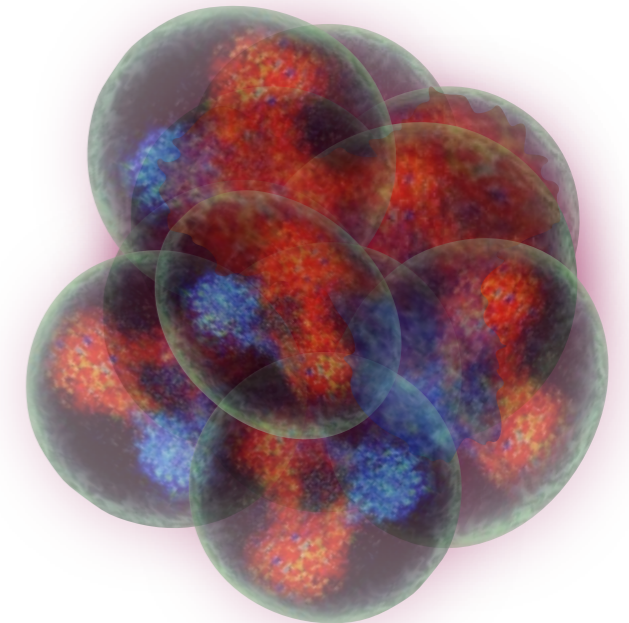
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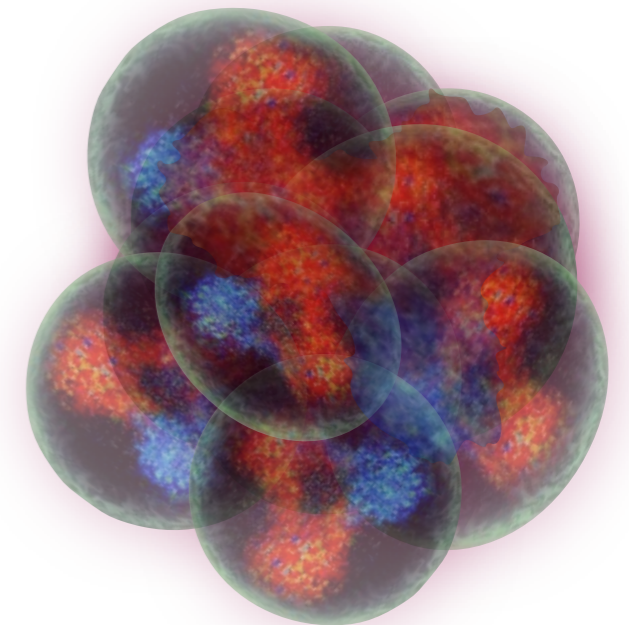
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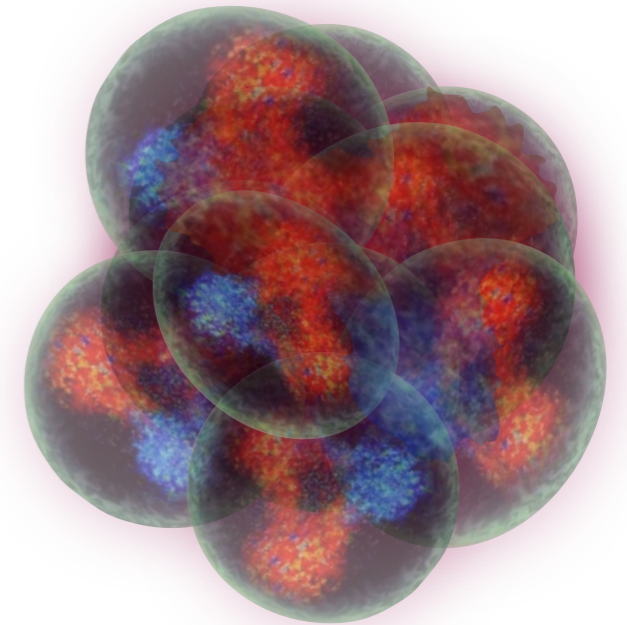
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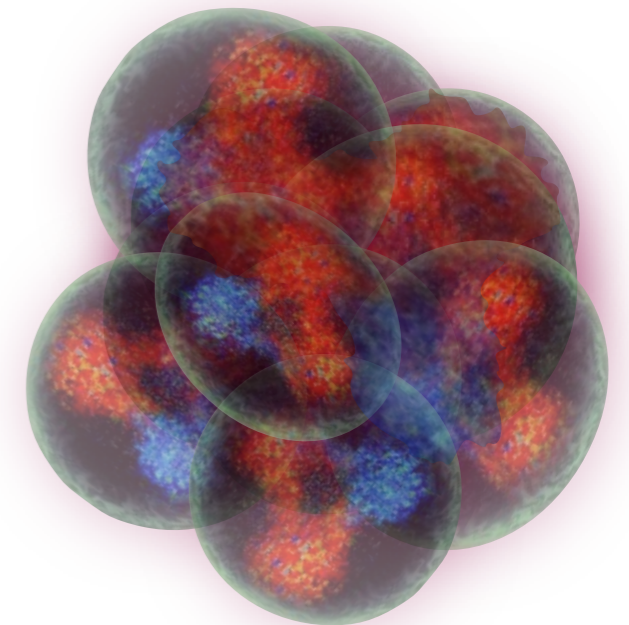
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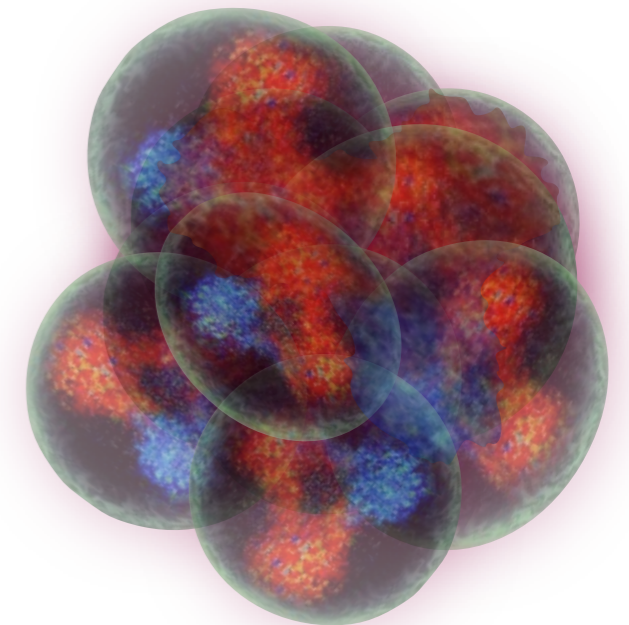
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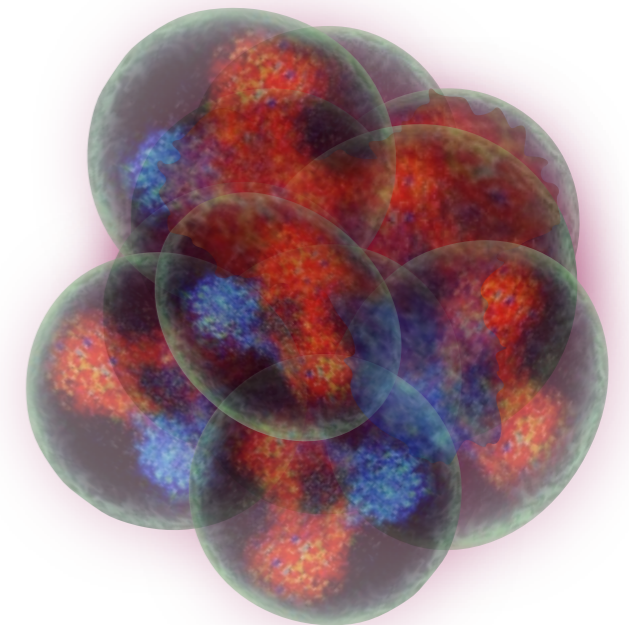
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