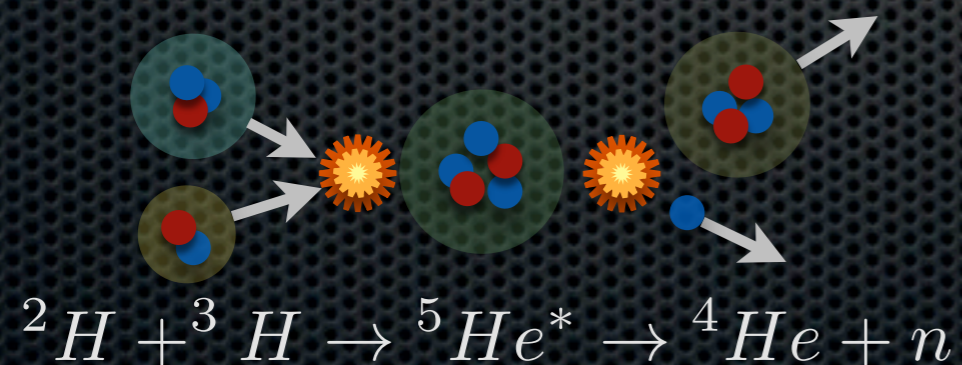


Towards Nuclear Reactions from Lattice QCD

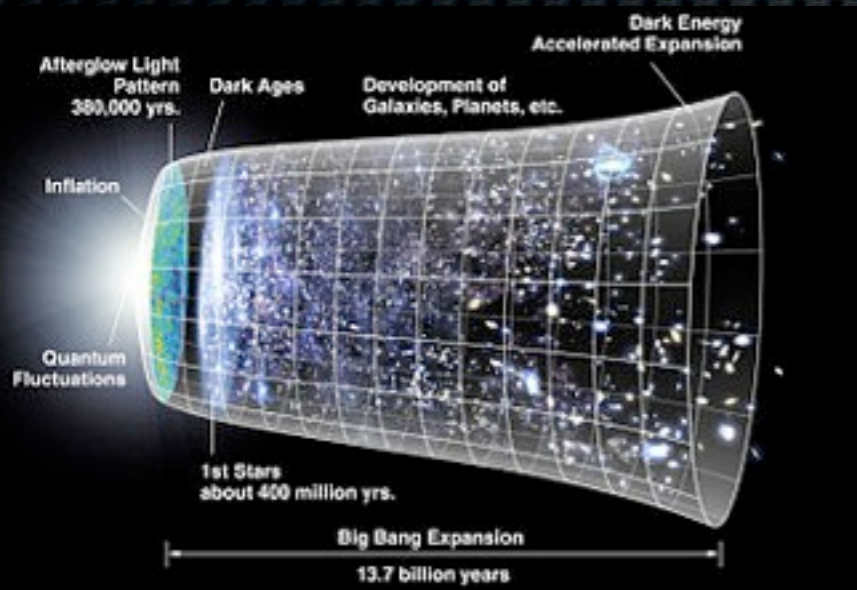
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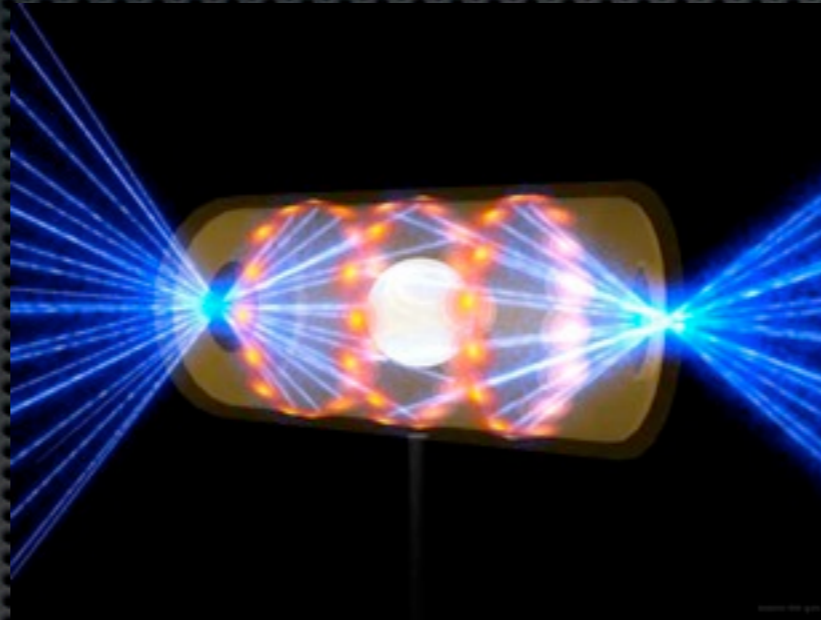


Paving the Road From QCD to Nuclear Reactions

Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

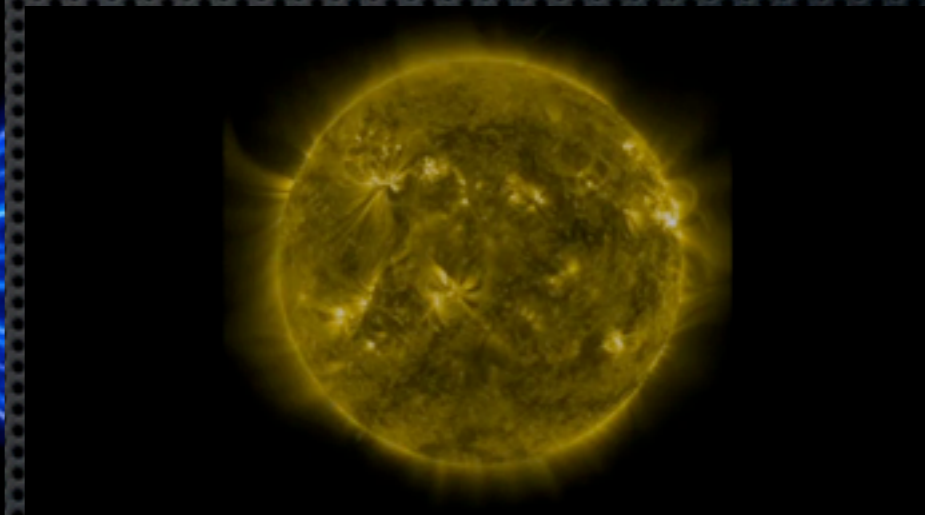


Fusion



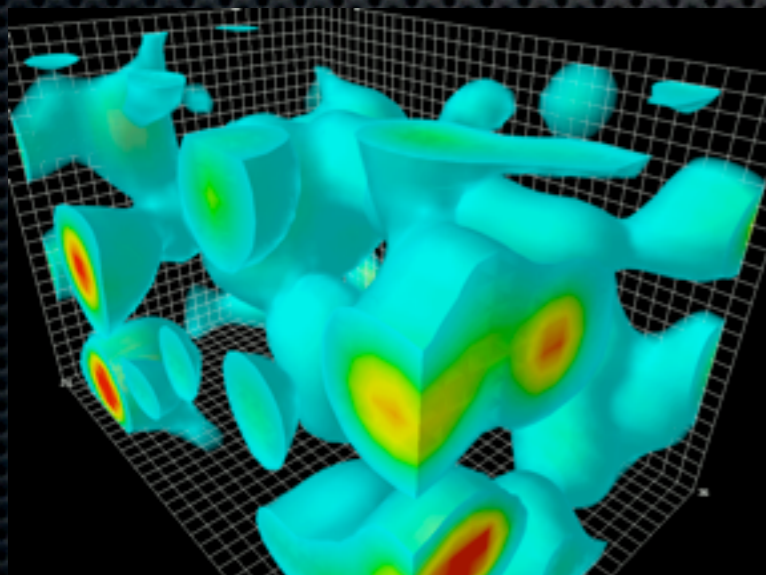
Inertial Confinement Fusion Target (NIF)

Stars, Supernovae, Neutron Stars



Solar Dynamics Observatory (NASA)

QCD (Vacuum)



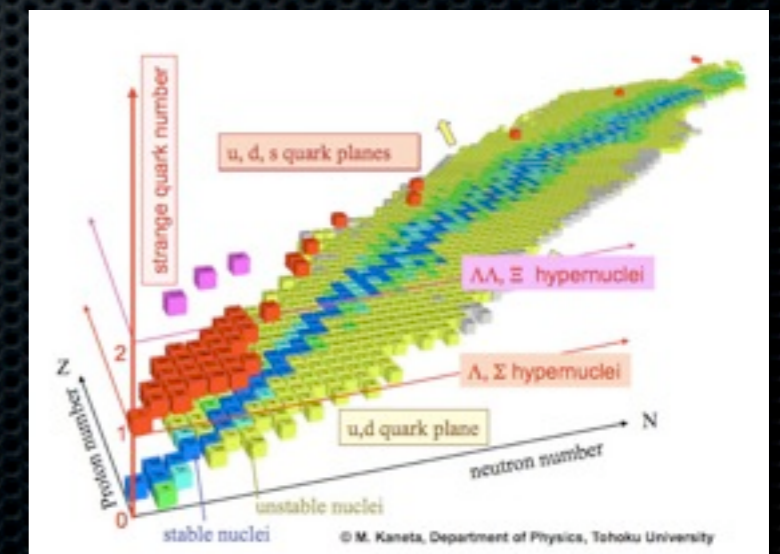
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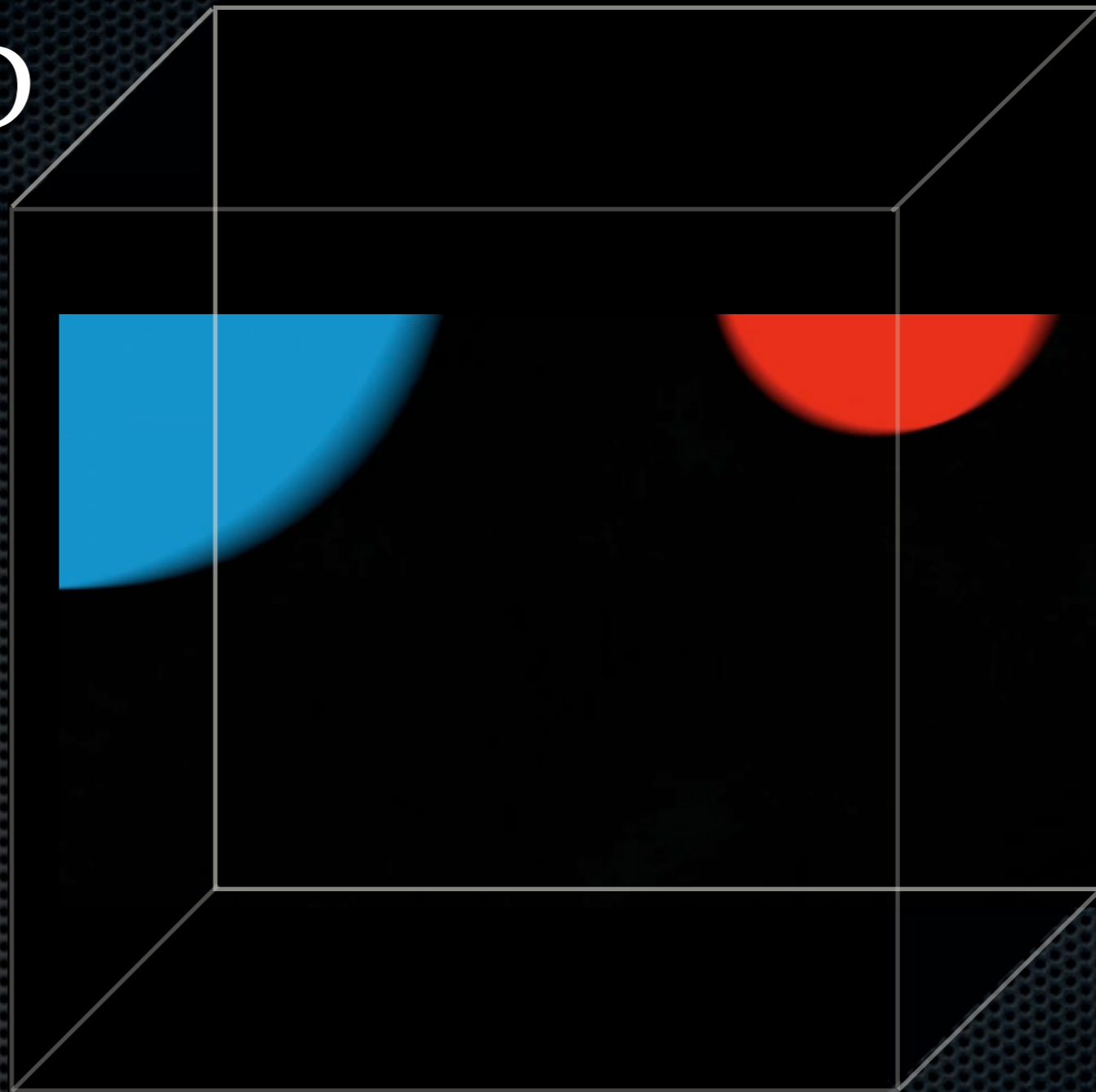
Sequoia (LLNL)

Spectrum



Lattice QCD

L



$a \rightarrow 0$

Movie by
José Rodríguez

- Numerical solution
- Finite periodic Euclidean spacetime
- Consider continuum limit
- Maiani-Testa theorem (1990)
- Lüscher (1991) : $E_L, m \rightarrow \delta(q^*)$

Community effort!

Analytical



Actions, observables,
systematics,...

Numerics



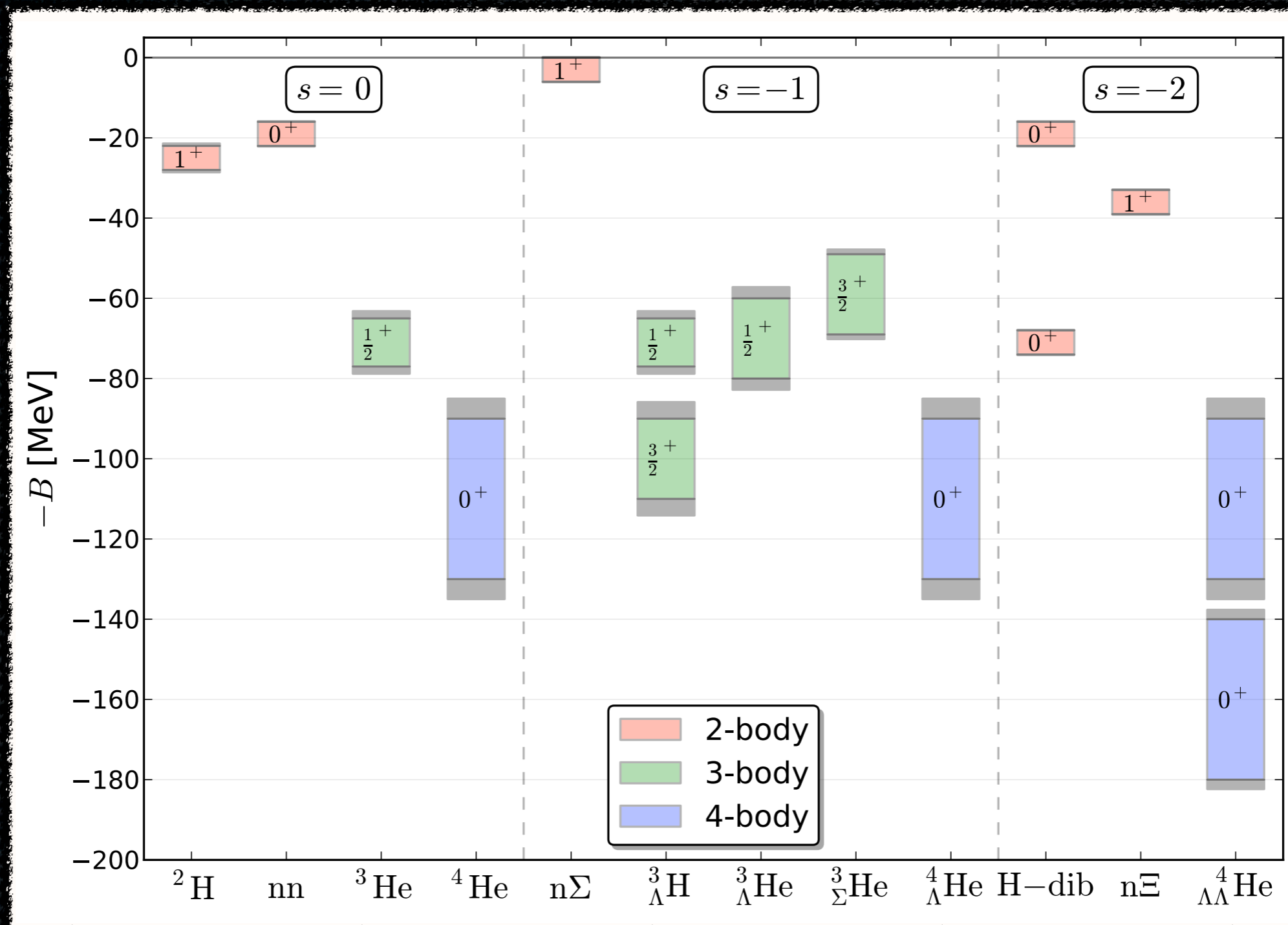
Inversion algorithms, code
development, production,...

Status Report: Spectrum



$$m_\pi = m_K \sim 800 \text{ MeV}$$

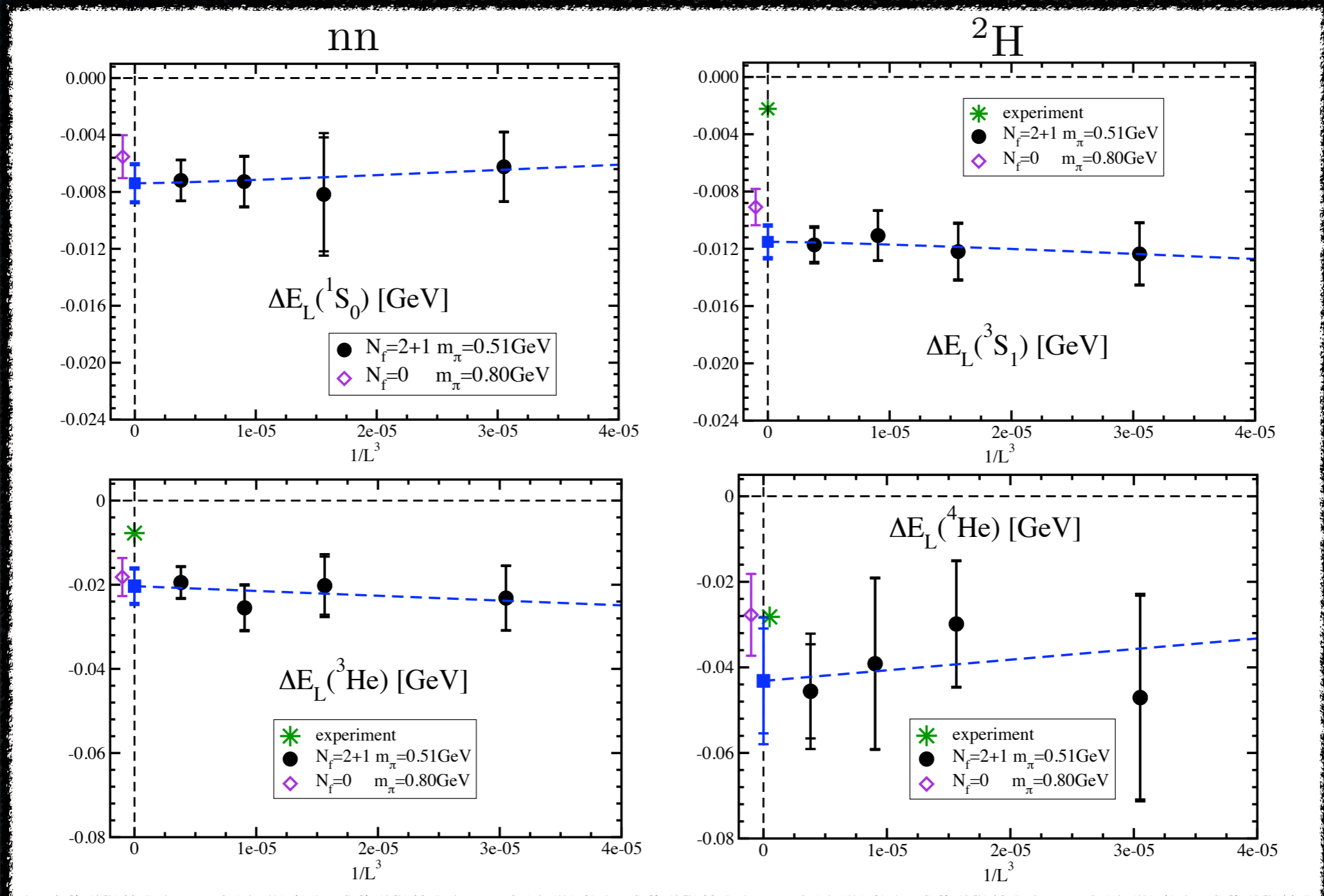
$$L = 3.5 - 6.7 \text{ fm}$$



Status Report: Spectrum

$$m_\pi \sim 510 \text{ MeV}$$

$$L = 2.9 - 5.8 \text{ fm}$$

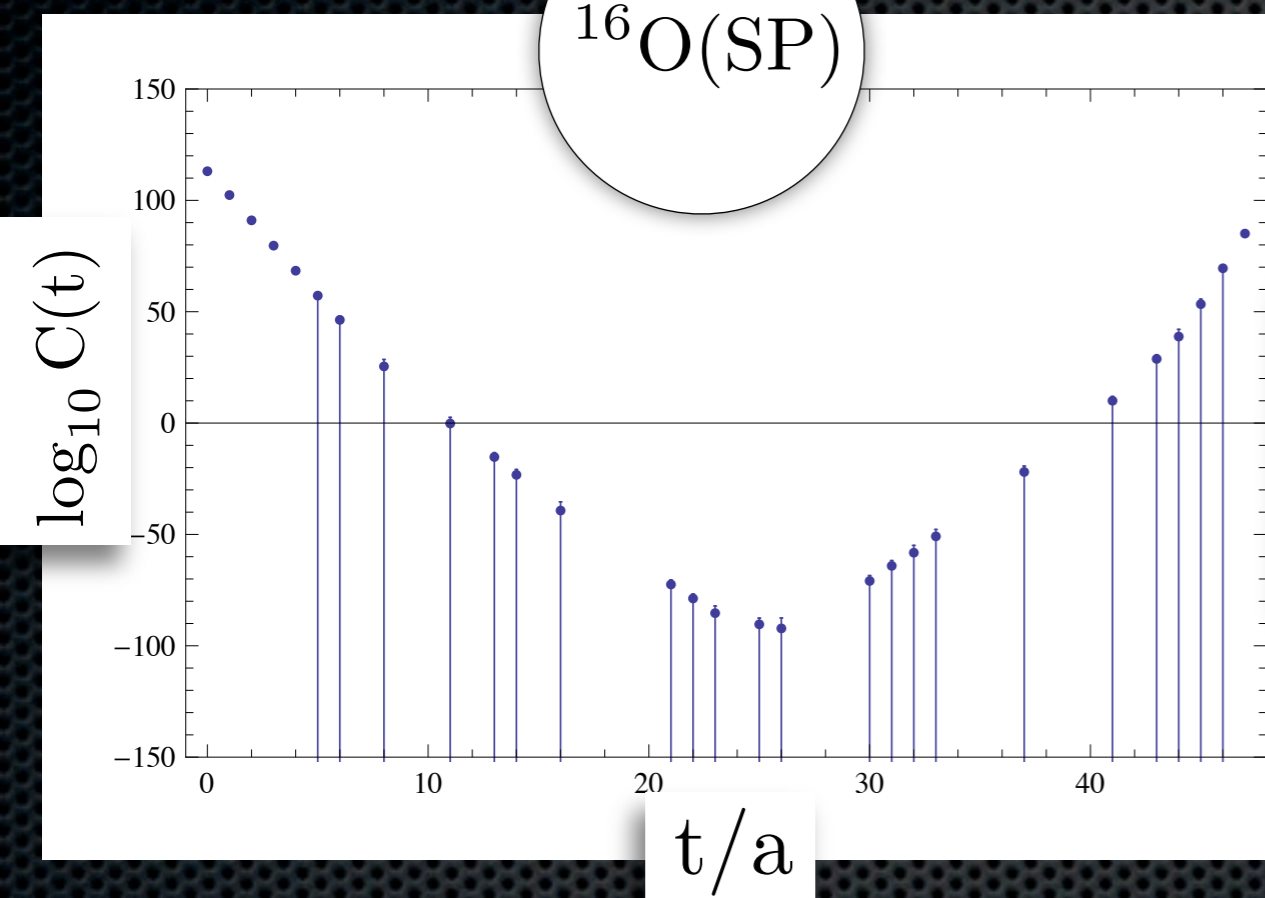


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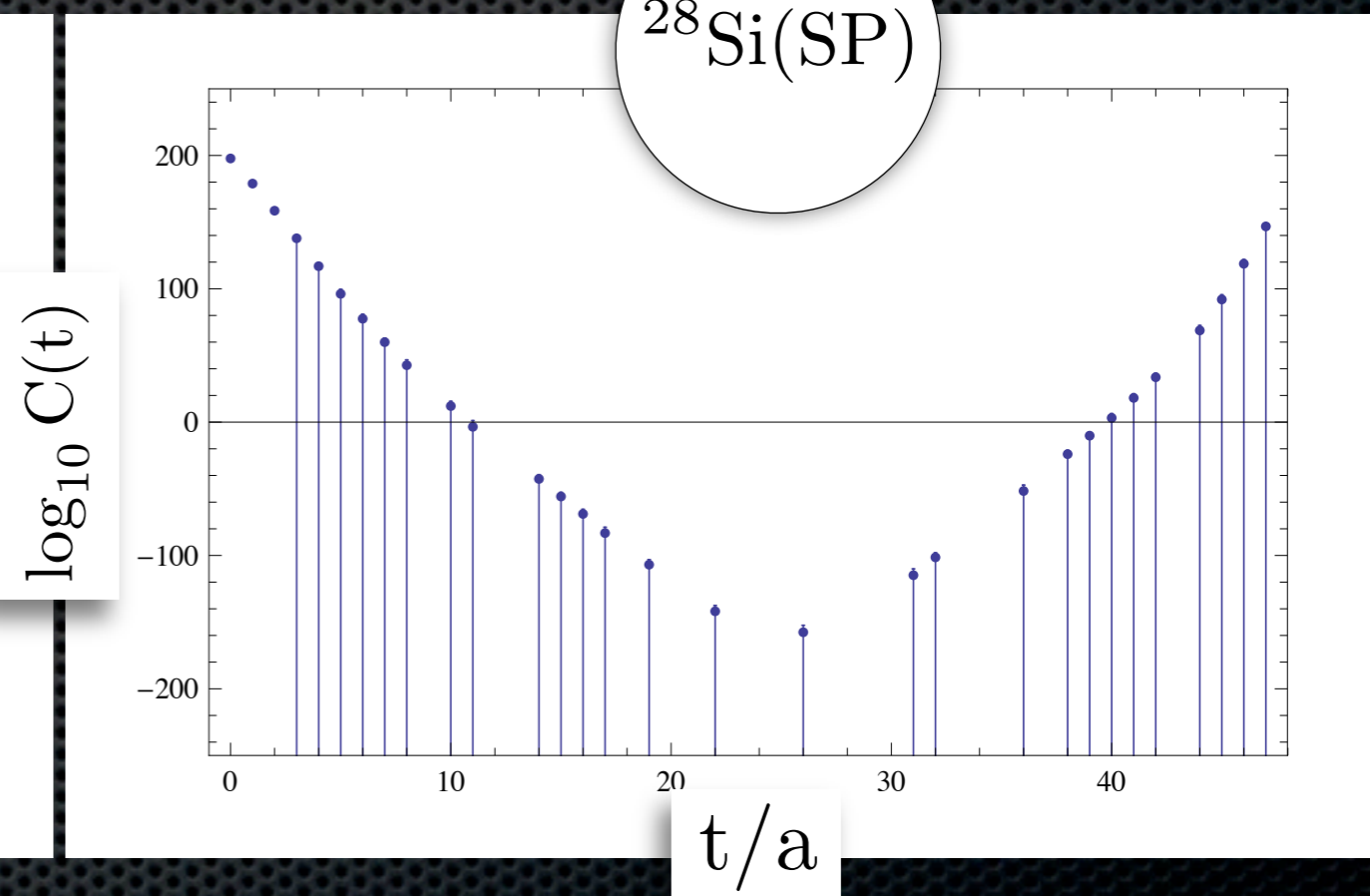
A glimpse into the future

$$C(t) = Z_0 e^{-tE_0} + \dots$$

$^{16}\text{O}(\text{SP})$



$^{28}\text{Si}(\text{SP})$



84 quarks!

Wick contractions: naive scaling $\sim n_u!n_d!n_s!$

improved scaling $\sim (n_u n_d n_s)^3$

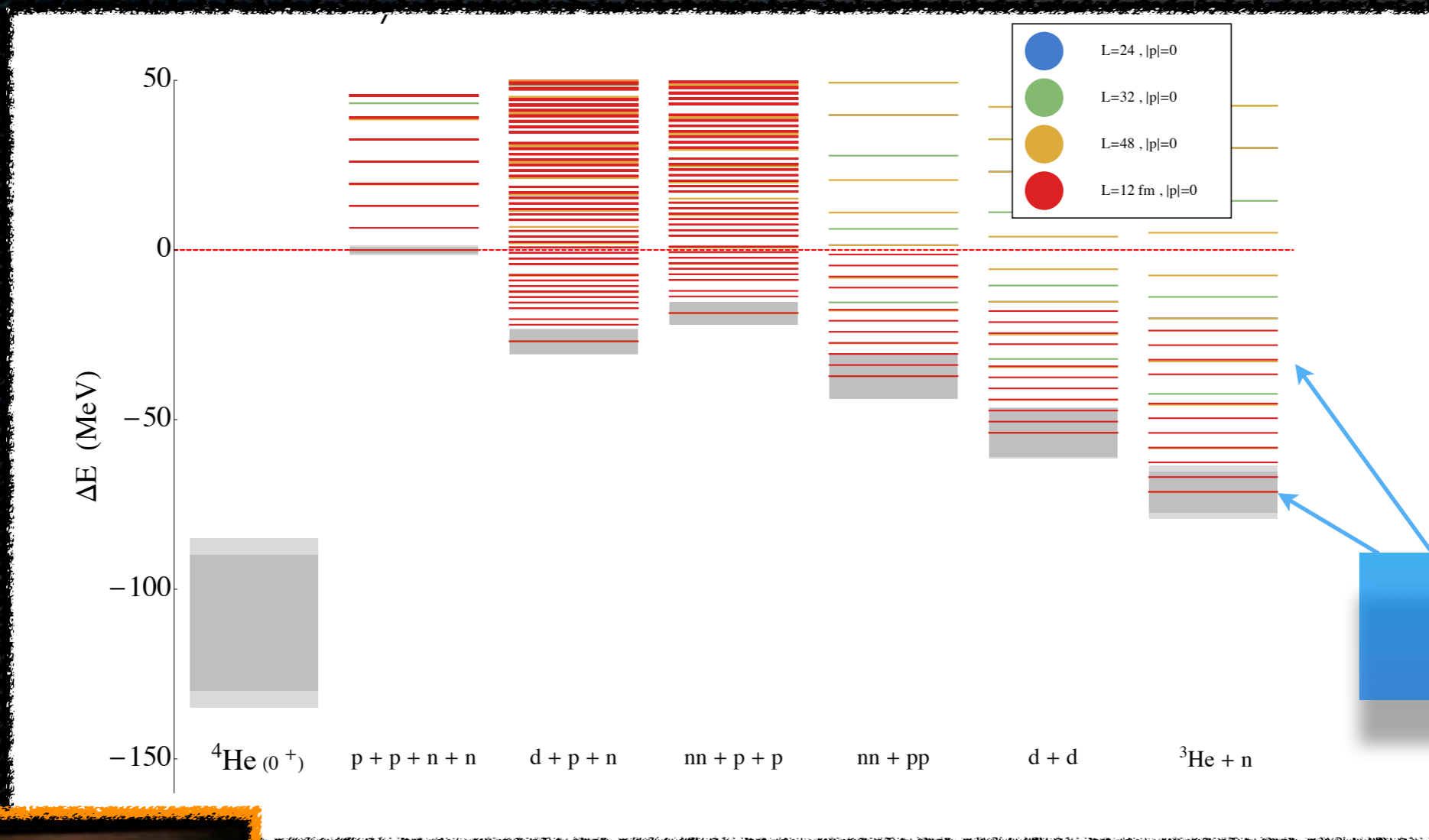
low statistics ~ 250 configurations

Detmold and Orginos (2012)

Bound to unbound?



Expected spectrum for the $J^\pi = 0^+$ ${}^4\text{He}$ sector.



If we did obtain this spectrum, what would it mean?

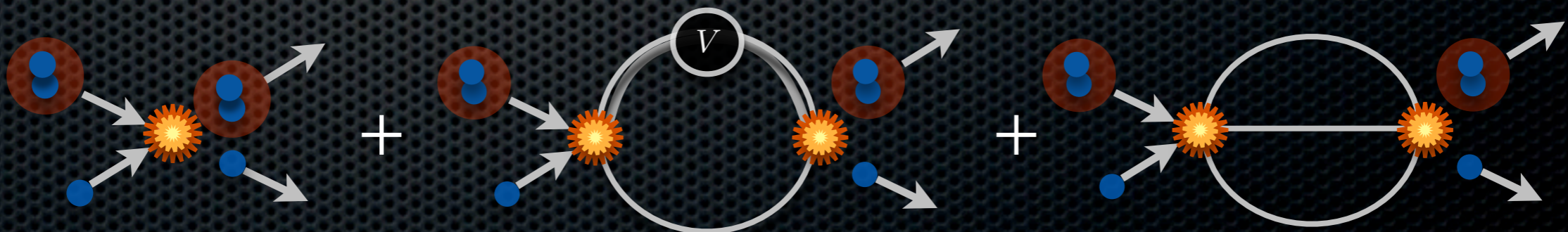
Optimistic yet Cautious!

Numerical Observation:

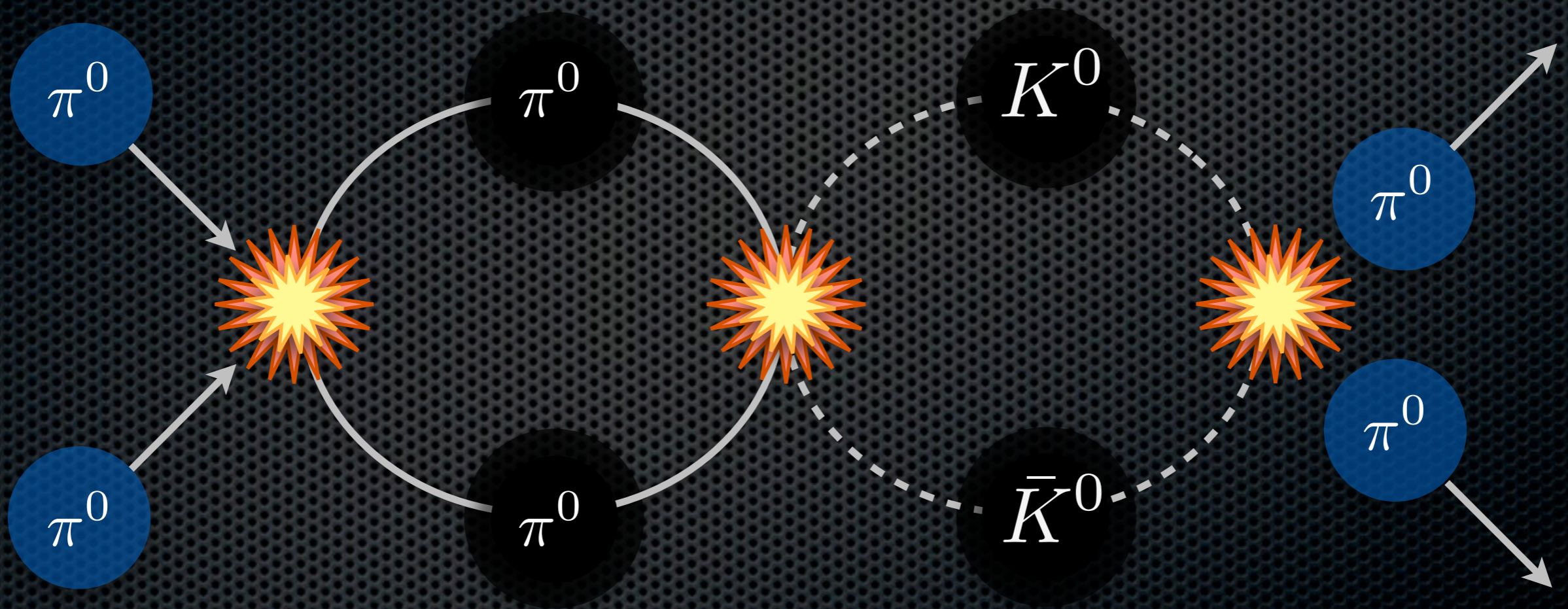
- Below break-up: 3-Body \rightarrow Lüscher [Bour, Hammer, Lee, Meißner (2012)]

Questions / Issues:

- Proof?
- Validity of Lüscher?
- Compact two-particle states? [Guo, Dudek, Edwards, Szczepaniak (2012)]
- FV effects from off-shell states?
- Partial wave mixing? [Kreuzer, Hammer, Greifshammer (2009-2012)]
- *Model independent* break-up / recombination?

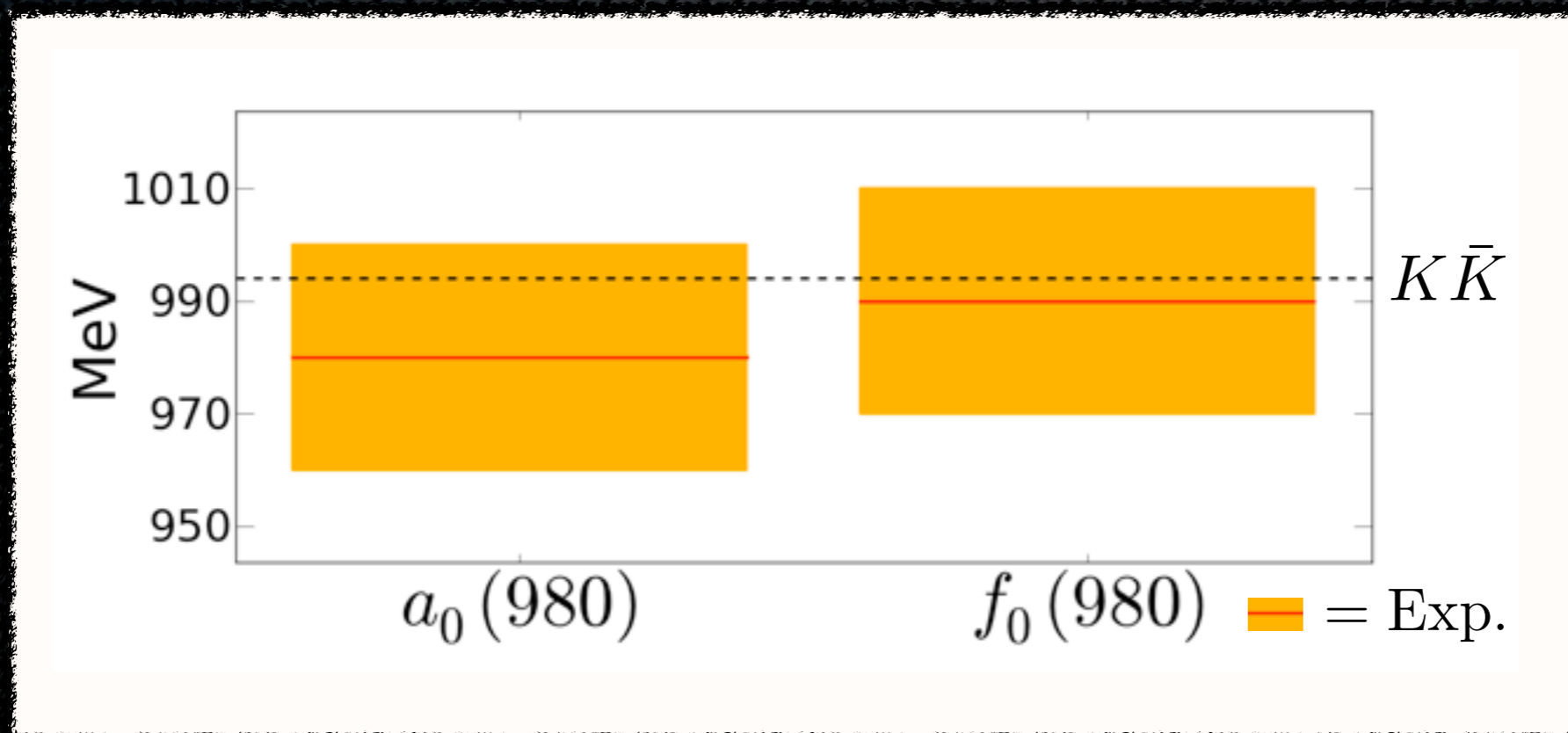


Coupled Channels: 2-Body



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$$f_0(980), a_0(980) : \{\pi\pi, 4\pi, 6\pi, K\bar{K}, \dots\}$$



- Two-channels: 2 phases + 1 mixing angle
- Boosted systems*

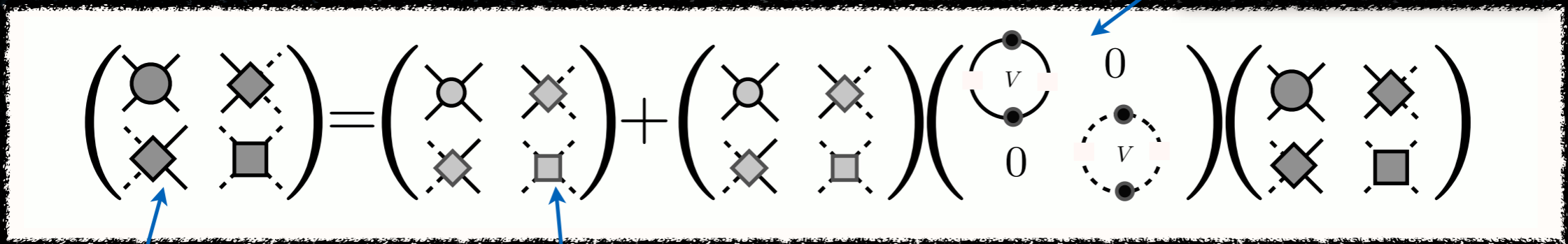
*Rummukainen and Gottlieb (1995) / Kim, Sachrajda, and Sharpe (2005)

$$\pi\pi - K\bar{K}$$

$$[m_\pi \sim 310\text{MeV}, m_K \sim 530\text{MeV}]$$

- Bellow 4 pion threshold
- Spectrum from poles of:

relativistic two particle propagator



FV Scattering Amplitude

s-channel 2PI

- Quantization condition (RB & Zohreh Davoudi arXiv:1204.1110):

$$\det (\mathcal{M}^{-1} + \delta\mathcal{G}^V) = 0$$

Holds for arbitrary numbers of channels

IV Scattering Amplitude

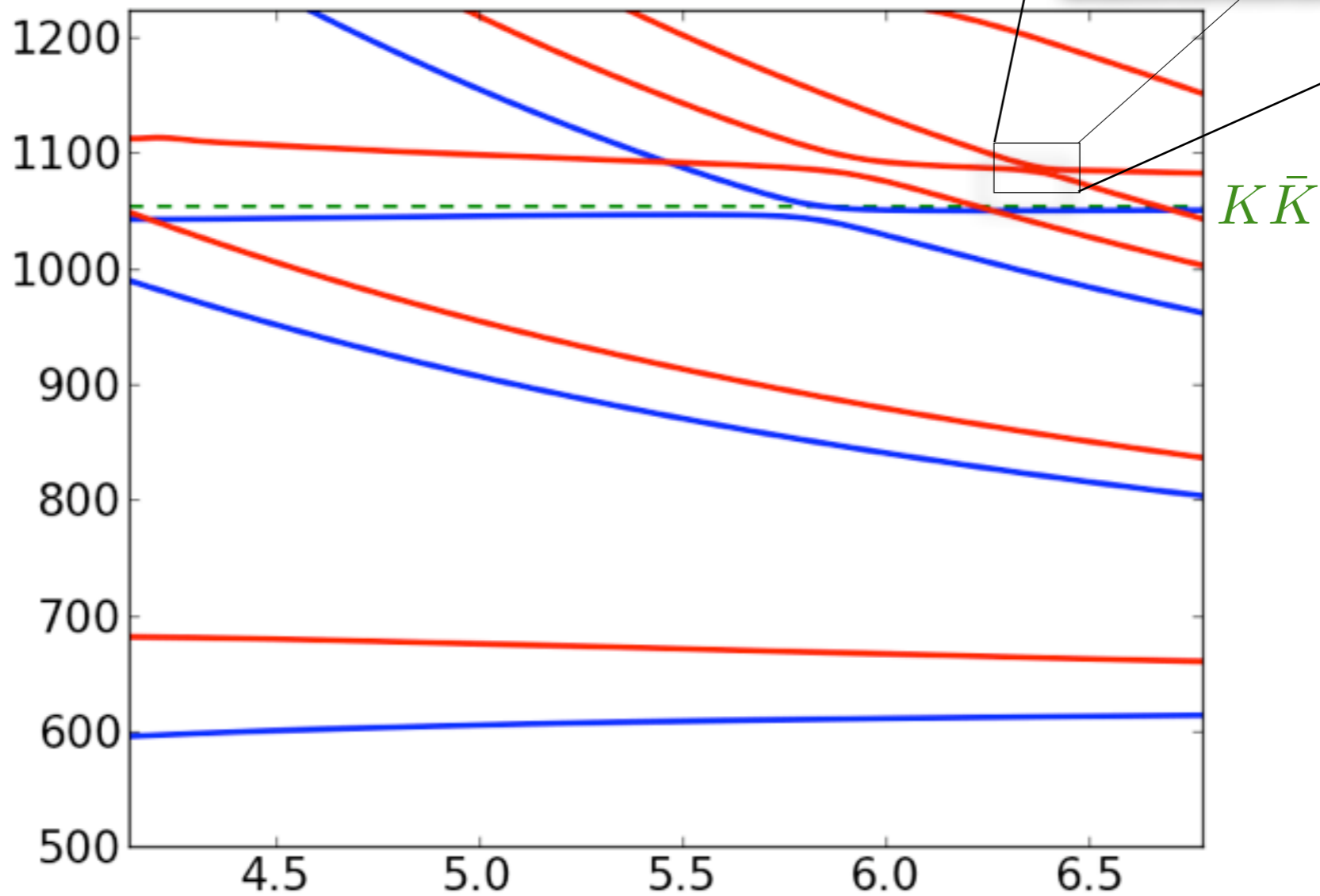
Kinematic function (L, E*, m)

- Derived independently by Max Hansen and Steve Sharpe (2012)

$\pi\pi - K\bar{K}$

$[m_\pi \sim 310\text{MeV}, m_K \sim 530\text{MeV}]$

$E_n^* [\text{MeV}]$



$K\bar{K}$

On going work [in collaboration Daniel Bolton & Keith Robertson (Baylor U), Zohreh Davoudi (UW)]

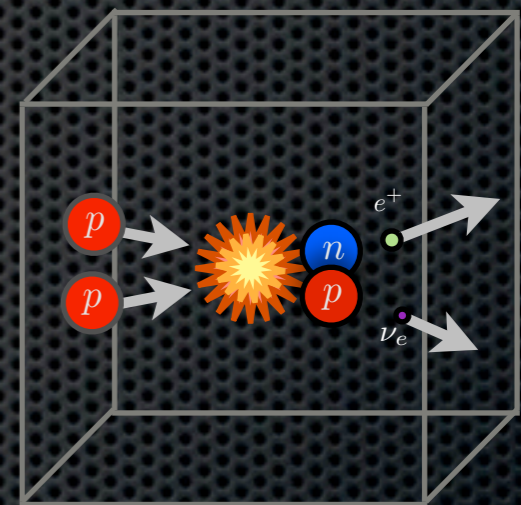
$L [m_\pi^{-1}]$

$d = [0, 0, 0]$
 $d = [1, 0, 0]$

NN Weak Matrix Elements

- Axial vector current: $A^{\mu=3} = \frac{1}{2} (\bar{u}\gamma^3\gamma^5 u - \bar{d}\gamma^3\gamma^5 d)$
- 2-Body ~ dominant uncertainty in deuteron break-up
- Detmold & Savage (2004): background field
- $^1S_0 - ^3S_1$ coupled channels
- 5-point correlation functions

reaction in FV



IV Weak Matrix Element

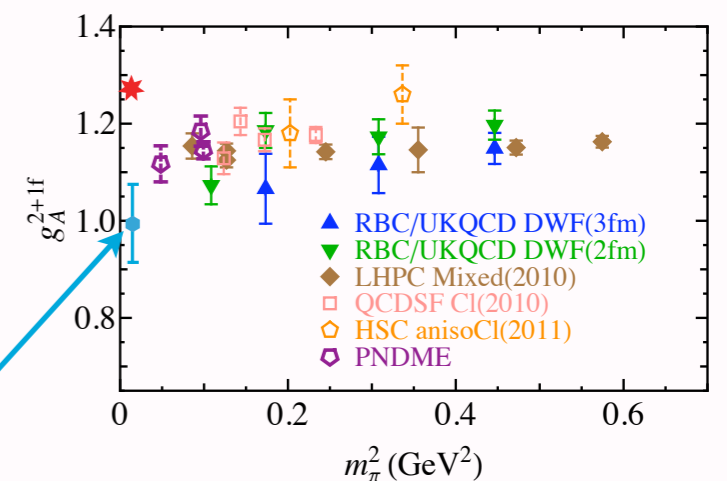
FV Weak Matrix Element

$$\left(|\mathcal{M}_{^1S_0-^3S_1}^\infty| - g_A W_3 \frac{\delta J_0^V e^{i2\phi}}{(\delta I_0^V)^2} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{2\pi V}{q_0^{*2}} \right)^2 (\phi' + \delta'_{^3S_1}) (\phi' + \delta'_{^1S_0}) |\mathcal{M}_{^1S_0-^3S_1}^V|^2$$

Kinematic function (L, E*)

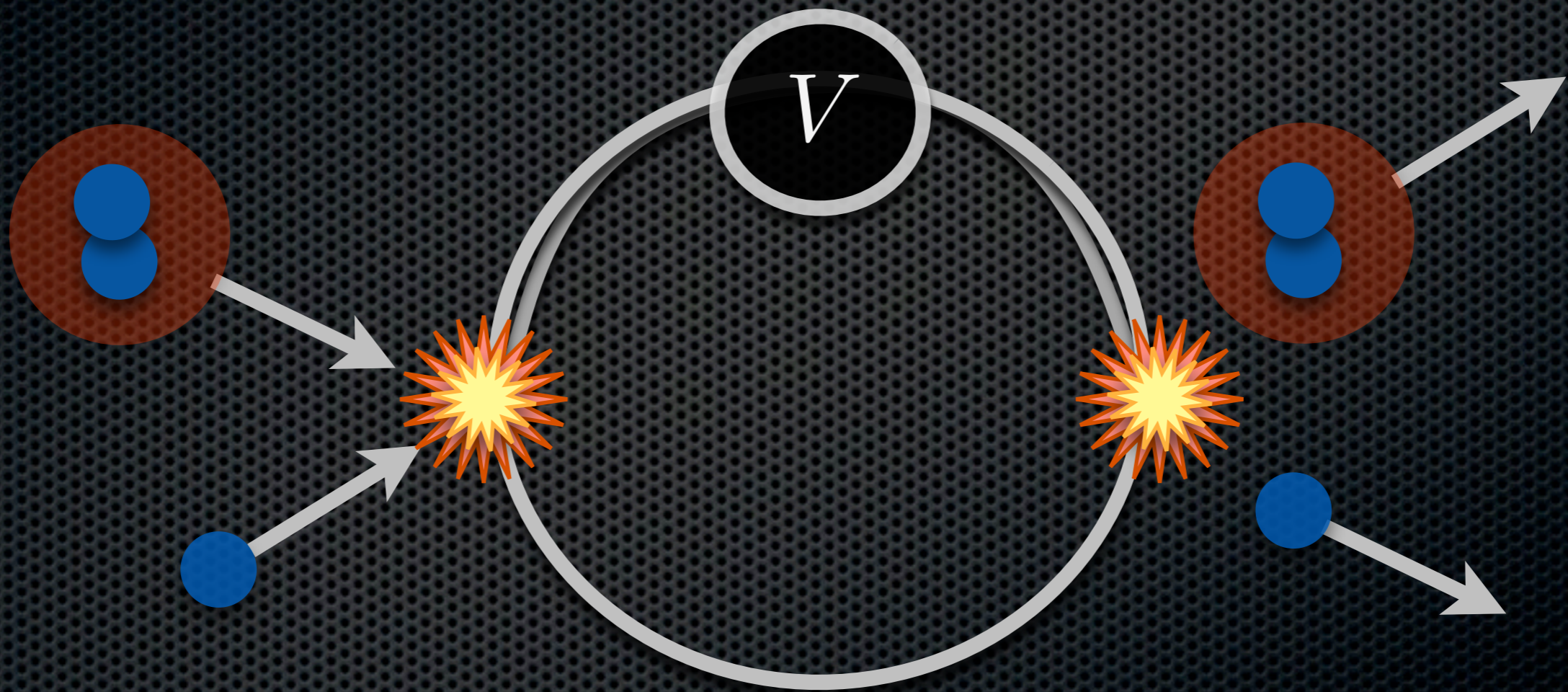
Future LQCD work

Summary plot by H-W Lin (2011)



Green et al. (2012) [extrapolated with lightest $m_\pi=149(1)$ MeV, and $m_\pi L \sim 4$]

Unto the 3-Body Problem



Unto the 3-Body Problem

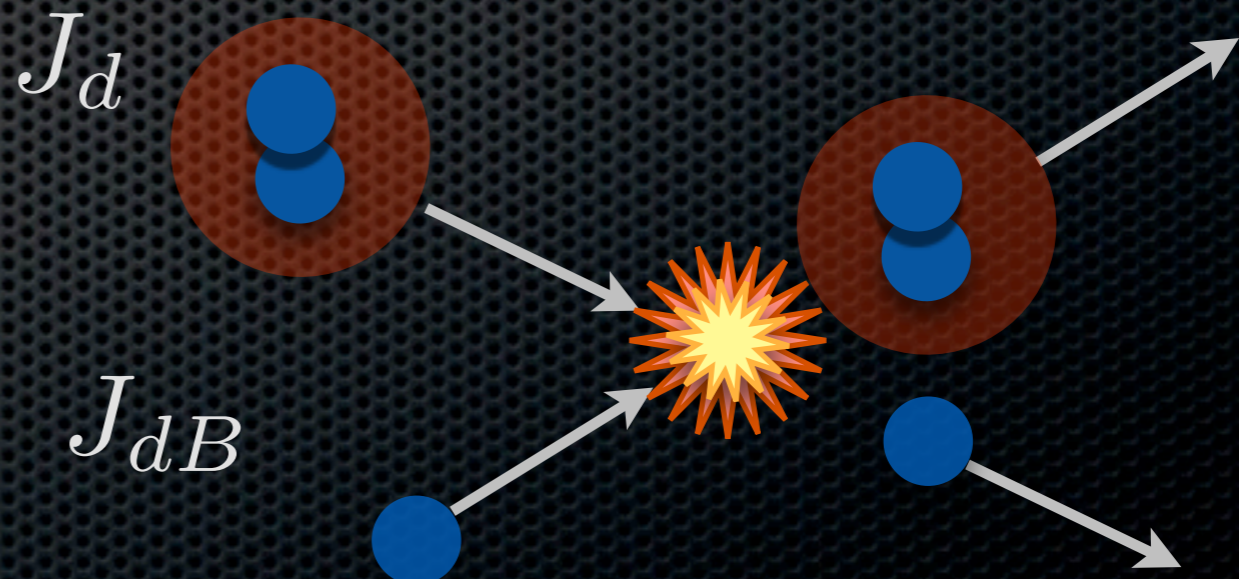
- Scalar sector
- Dimer formalism: $3 = 2+1$ [Kaplan (1997)]

2-body contact interactions

$$\mathcal{D}^V = \text{thick line} = \text{double line} + \text{double line} \text{---} \text{circle } V \text{---} \text{thick line}$$

- Simplification comes at a cost:

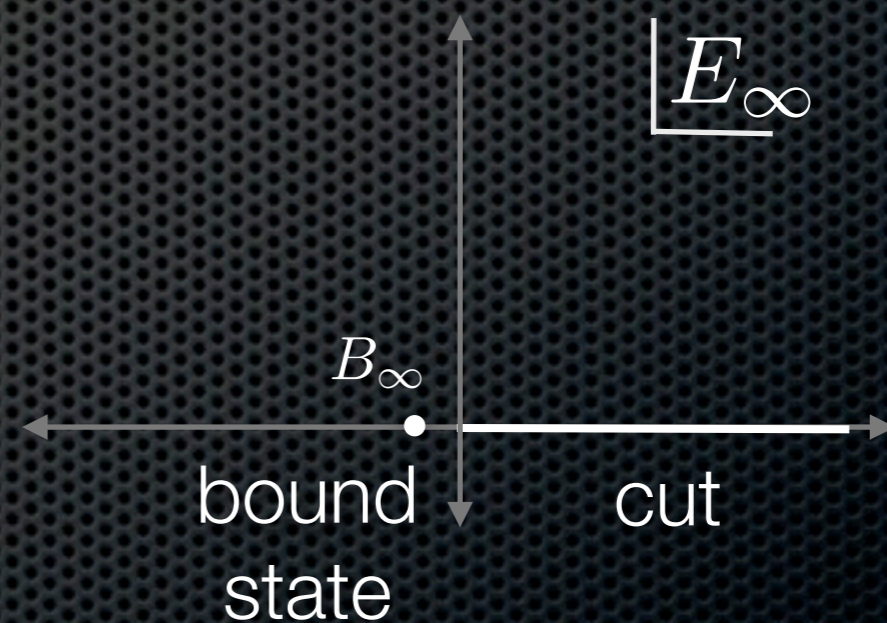
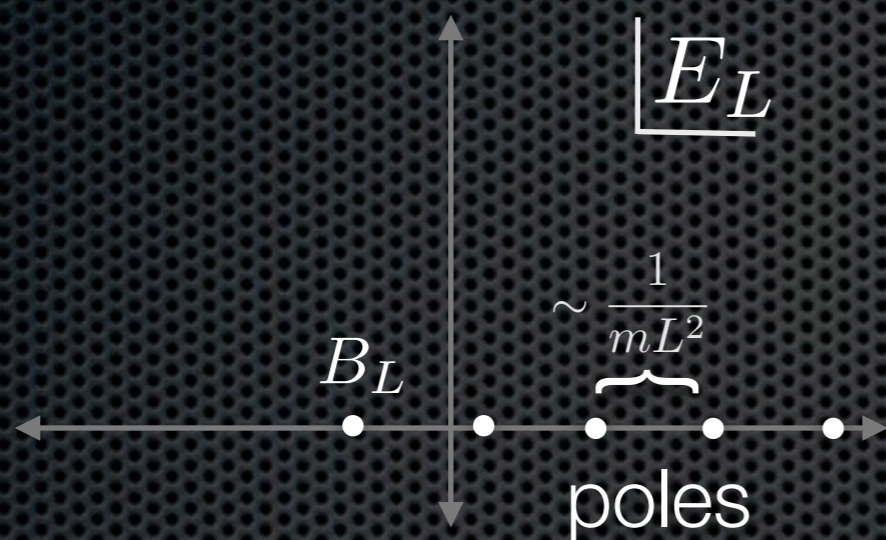
- $J_d = 0$



Infinite vs. Finite Volume Spectrum

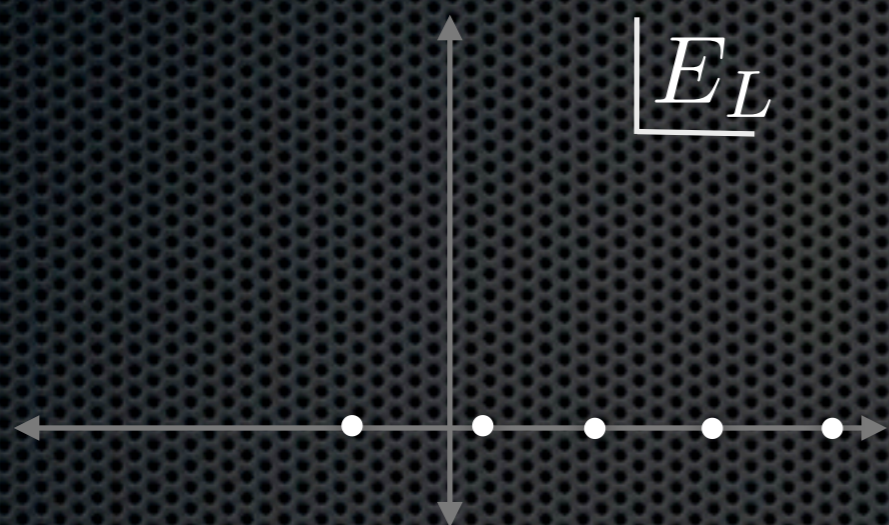
$$(\mathcal{D}^V)^{-1} = 0$$

$$(\mathcal{D}^\infty)^{-1} = 0$$



Infinite vs. Finite Volume Spectrum

$$(\mathcal{D}^V)^{-1} = 0$$



$\mathcal{D}^V \rightarrow$



FV spectrum is *ALWAYS* discretized
No cuts/integrals
Only poles/sums

"Lüscher poles"

Some Technicalities

- Spectrum from poles of correlation function

$$C_3^V \equiv \text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} + \text{Diagram 3} + \dots$$

Diagram 1: A circle with vertices A_3 and A'_3 and a thick line labeled V .

Diagram 2: Two circles with vertices A_3 and A'_3 , each with a thick line labeled V , and a central vertex labeled K_3 .

Diagram 3: Three circles with vertices A_3 and A'_3 , each with a thick line labeled V , and two central vertices labeled K_3 .

A blue box labeled "Kernel" points to the K_3 vertices in Diagram 3.

3-particle creation amplitude

- Two loop diagrams:

$$\text{Diagram 2} = \text{Diagram 4} + \text{Diagram 5}$$

Diagram 4: Two circles with vertices A_3 and A'_3 , each with a thick line labeled V , and a central vertex labeled K_3 .

Diagram 5: Two circles with vertices A_3 and A'_3 , each with a thick line labeled V , and a central vertex labeled K_3 . A diagonal line cuts through the central vertex.

A blue box labeled "3-body interaction" points to the K_3 vertex in Diagram 2.

A blue box labeled "2-body interaction" points to the V lines in Diagram 5.

- Only dimer poles contribute!

- **Loops decouple!**

Cut in IV

Poles in FV

Poles canceled by zeros of dimer

Some Technicalities

Finite volume
“scattering amplitude”

$$\mathcal{M}_V^V = K_3 + K_3 \text{---} V \text{---} \mathcal{M}_V^V$$

Poles determine spectrum
in finite volume

“Scattering amplitude”
between boson and
finite volume dimer

$$\mathcal{M}_V^\infty = K_3 + K_3 \text{---} \infty \text{---} \mathcal{M}_V^\infty$$

Continuous boson-
dimer relative momenta

Finite volume dimer

Infinite volume
scattering amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}_\infty^\infty = K_3 + K_3 \text{---} \infty \text{---} \mathcal{M}_\infty^\infty$$

Three-Body Result

Disagreement with
Guo et al. (2012)

$$\det \left(\mathcal{M}_V^\infty^{-1} + \delta \mathcal{G}^V \right) = 0$$

“Scattering amplitude” between
boson and finite volume dimer

Diagonal in angular momentum

Mixed the three particle states
(coupled-channels)

Kinematic function of (L, E_L)

Mixes angular momentum

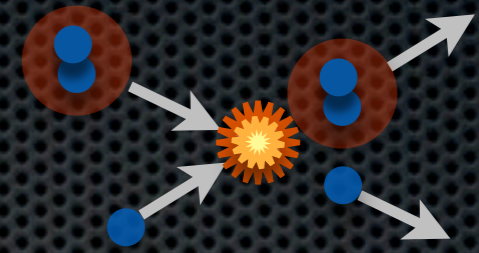
Diagonal in the three particle
states

Three-particle states:



Recovering Lüscher

(Negative energies, deeply bound diboson)



- Below break-up:

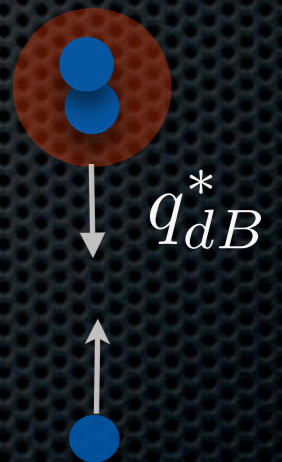
$$\mathcal{M}_{dB} = \frac{3\pi}{m} \frac{1}{q_{dB}^* \cot \delta_{dB} - iq_{dB}^*}$$

- CM momentum:

$$q_{dB}^{*2} \equiv \frac{4m}{3} \left(E^* + \frac{\gamma_d^{*2}}{m} \right)$$

diboson binding energy in the moving frame

Consistent with Bour et al. (2012)



- Quantization condition:

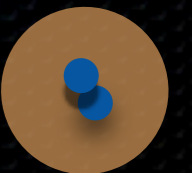
$$q_{dB}^* \cot \delta_{dB} = \frac{1}{\pi L} S^P \left((q_{dB}^* L / 2\pi)^2 \right)$$

~ Boosted Zeta function for two particles with $m_2=2m_1$

$$S^P(\tilde{p}^2) = \sum_n^{\Lambda_n} \frac{1}{(\mathbf{n} - LP/6\pi)^2 - \tilde{p}^2} - 4\pi\Lambda_n$$

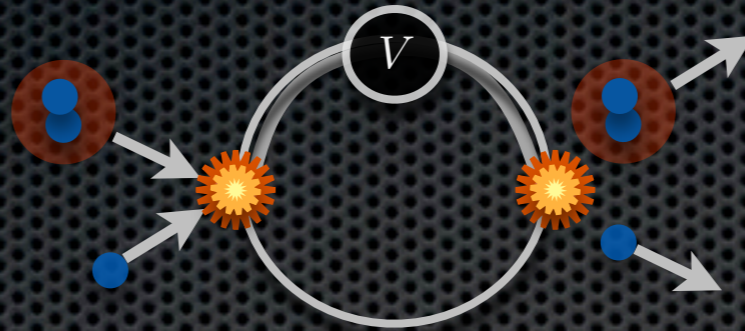
- Bound states:

$$\gamma_{dB} + q_{dB}^* \cot \delta_{dB} \Big|_{q_{dB}^{*2} = -\gamma_{dB}^2} = \mathcal{O}(e^{-\gamma_{dB} L})$$



Exponential Corrections

- Finite volume dimer:



Obtained from 3-particle spectrum

$$\delta_{dB}^L = \delta_{dB}^\infty + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\gamma_d^* L})$$

Extrapolate to infinite volume!

- Excited state:

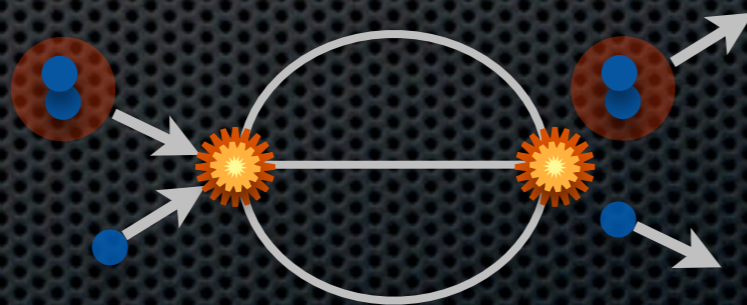
$$q_{E^*,1}^{*2} \equiv \frac{4}{3}(E^* m - q_1^{*2}) < 0$$

Dimer is NOT compact
[Guo et al. (2012)]

off-shell

$$\text{Corrections} \sim e^{-2L\sqrt{(q_1^{*2} - E^* m)/3}}$$

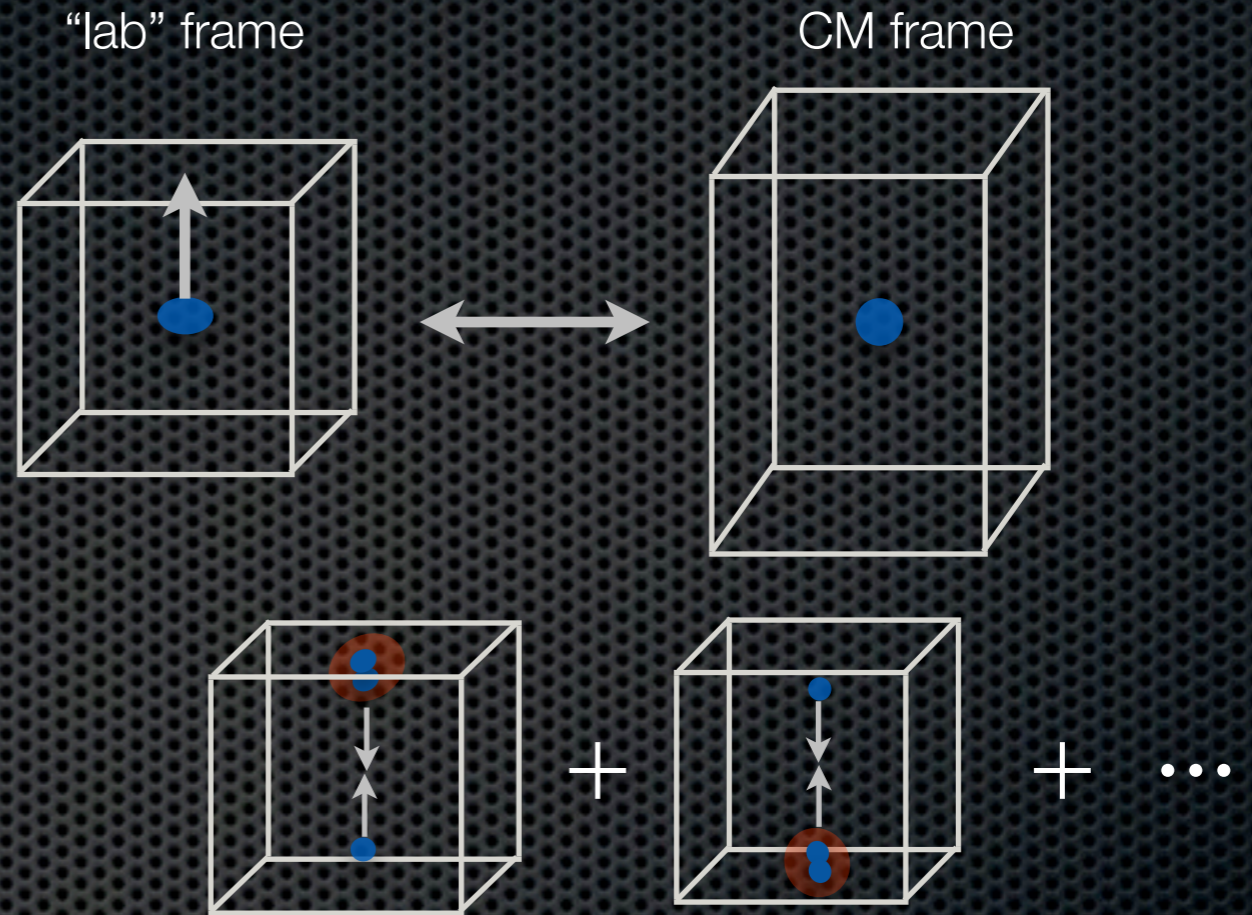
Included in quantization condition



- For positive energies: FV effects are power-law

Boosts

Symmetry is reduced:

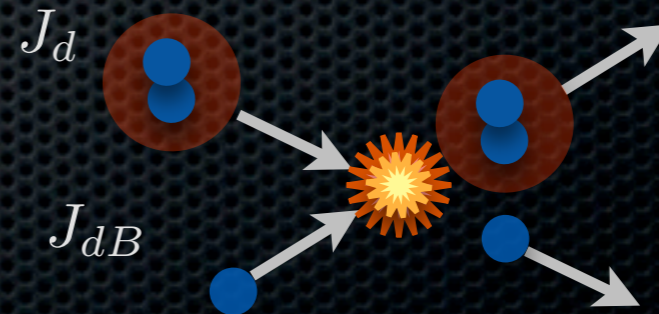


Boson-diboson CM:

- diboson is boosted: $J_d = \{0, 2, 4, \dots\}$
- dB is unboosted: $J_{dB} = \{0, 4, 6, \dots\}$

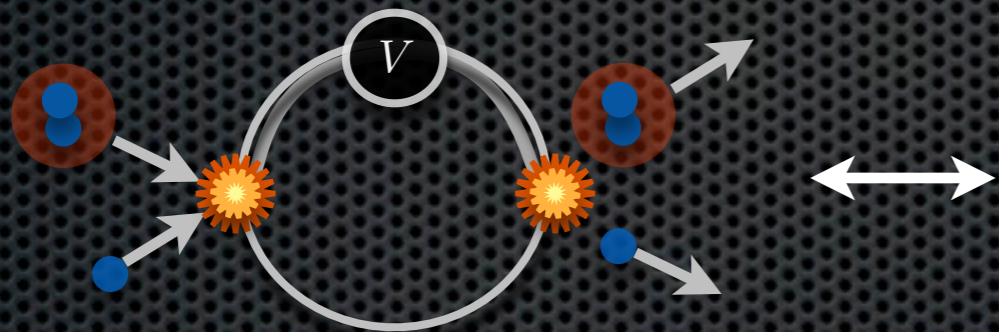
Boson-diboson Boosted:

- $J_{dB} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$



Take-Home Message

- FV spectrum is ALWAYS discretized
- 3-Body quantization condition reduces to Luscher-like equation
- $\{E_L^*, a_d, r_d\} \rightarrow \{q_{dB}^*, q_d^*, \delta_{dB}^L\}$
- Boson-diboson phase shift has *large* FV effects

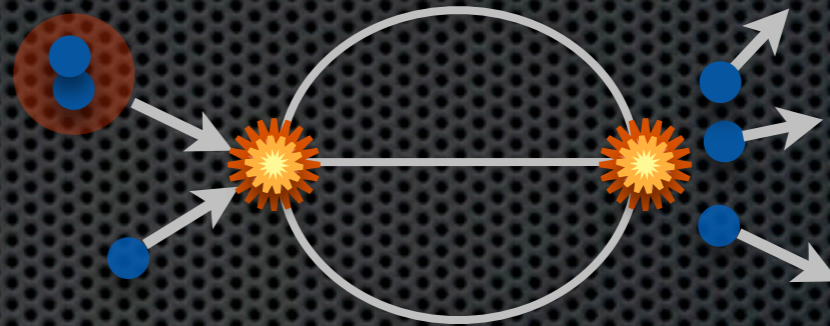


$$\delta_{dB}^L = \delta_{dB}^\infty + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\gamma_d^* L})$$

- Requires extrapolation
- Partial wave mixing: $J = 2$ (unboosted), $J = 1$ (boosted)
- **Three-body problem requires caution!**

In progress...

- Above threshold!



- Nuclear sector

- Partial wave mixing due to boost

- Cubic dimer propagator



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