

Lec 5: multi-hadron properties

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Lecture content

- Multi-particle systems at finite temporal extent
- Medium effects and multi-hadron matrix elements
- Open Issues for the future

Multi-particle systems at finite temporal extent

Multi-pion correlation function

- Consider N pion correlation function

$$C_n(t) \propto \left\langle \left(\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \pi^-(\mathbf{x}, t) \right)^n \left(\pi^+(\mathbf{0}, 0) \right)^n \right\rangle$$

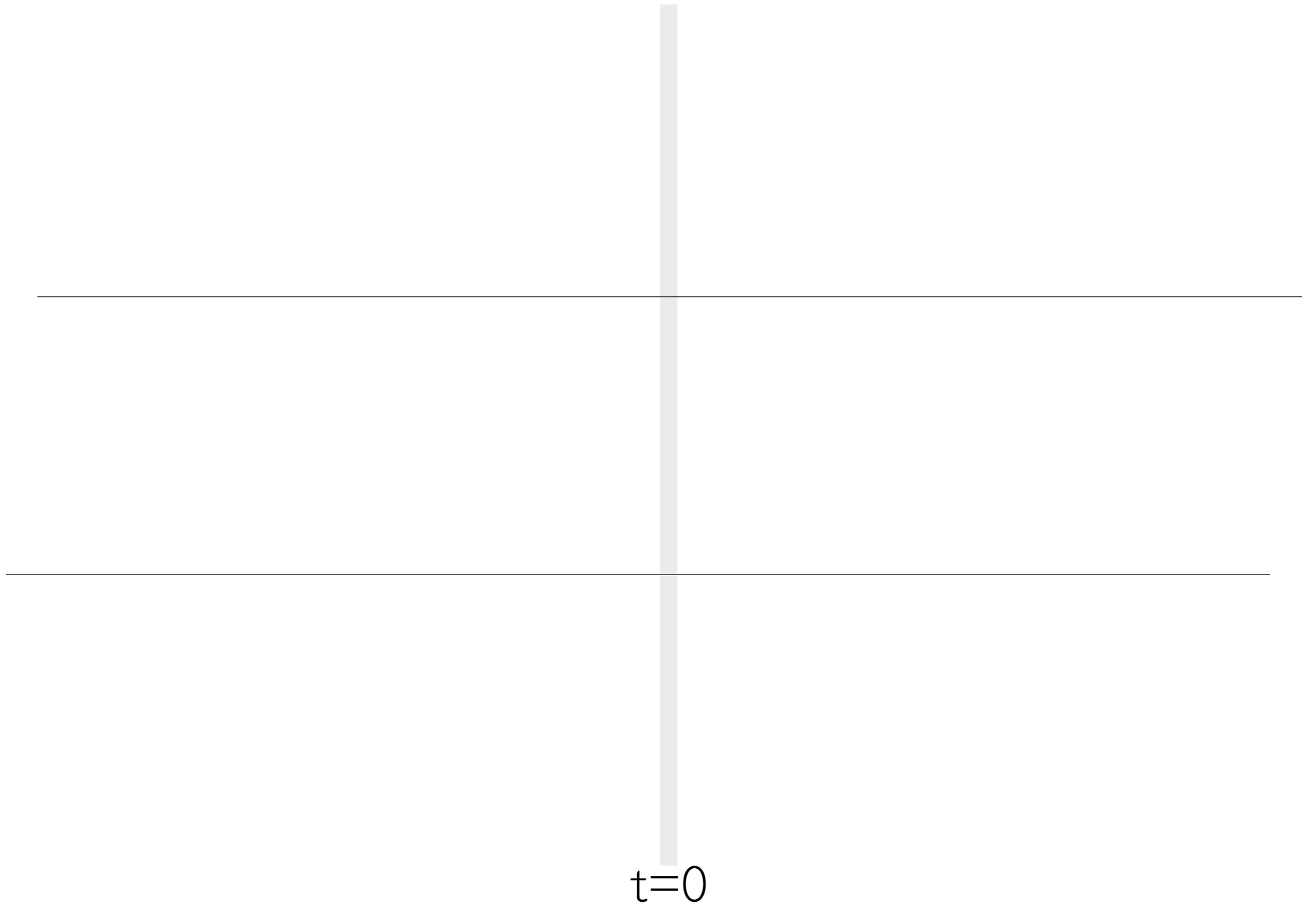
- For a lattice of temporal extent T (inverse temperature)

$$\begin{aligned} C_n(t) &= \text{Tr} \left[e^{-HT} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \pi^-(\mathbf{x}, t) \right)^n (\pi^+(0))^n \right] \\ &= \sum_m \left\langle m \left| e^{-HT} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \pi^-(\mathbf{x}, t) \right)^n (\pi^+(0))^n \right| m \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{m, \ell} \left\langle m \left| e^{-HT} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \pi^-(\mathbf{x}, t) \right)^n \right| \ell \right\rangle \langle \ell | (\pi^+(0))^n | m \rangle \\ &= \sum_{m, \ell} \left\langle m \left| e^{-H(T-t)} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{x}} \pi^-(\mathbf{x}, 0) \right)^n e^{-Ht} \right| \ell \right\rangle \langle \ell | (\pi^+(0))^n | m \rangle \\ &= \sum_{m, \ell} e^{-E_m(T-t)} e^{-E_\ell t} \mathcal{Z}_{\ell, m} \end{aligned}$$

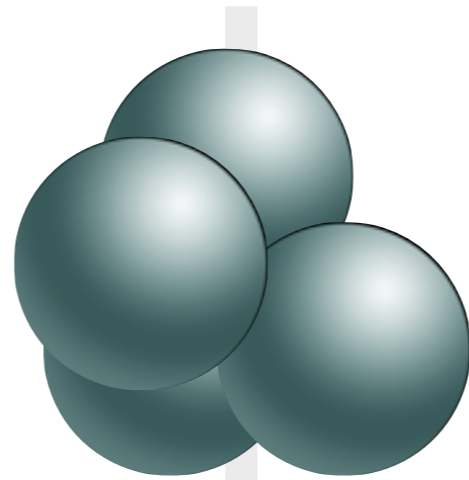
- Many states contribute (ignore excitations)

$$\{|m\rangle = |0\rangle, |\ell\rangle = |n\pi\rangle\}, \{|m\rangle = |\pi\rangle, |\ell\rangle = |(n-1)\pi\rangle\}, \dots, \{|m\rangle = |n\pi\rangle, |\ell\rangle = |0\rangle\}$$

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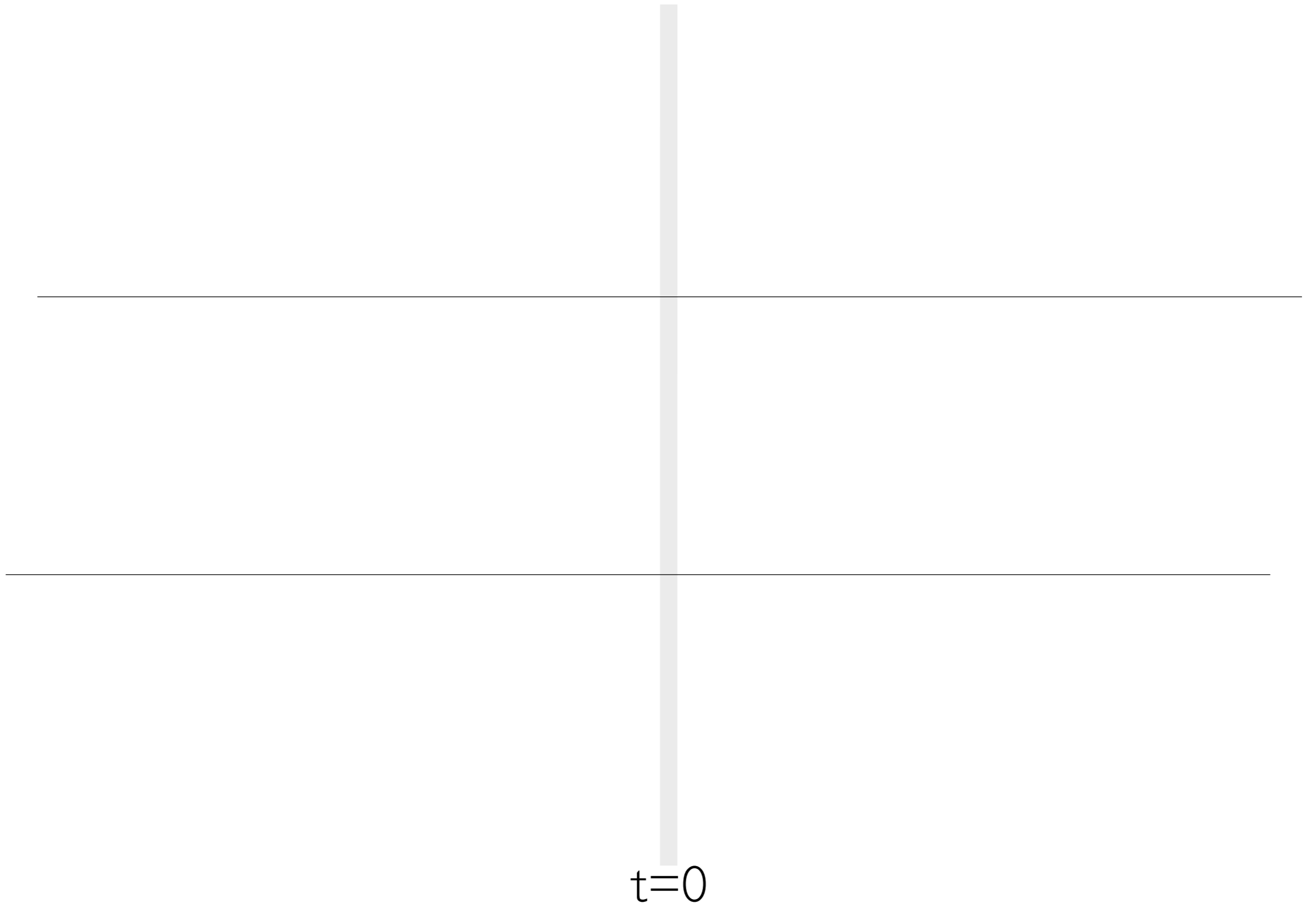


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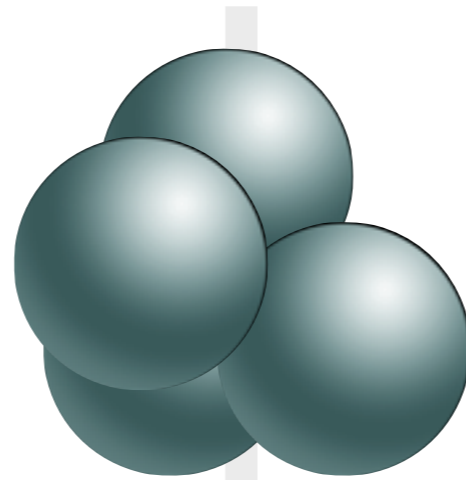


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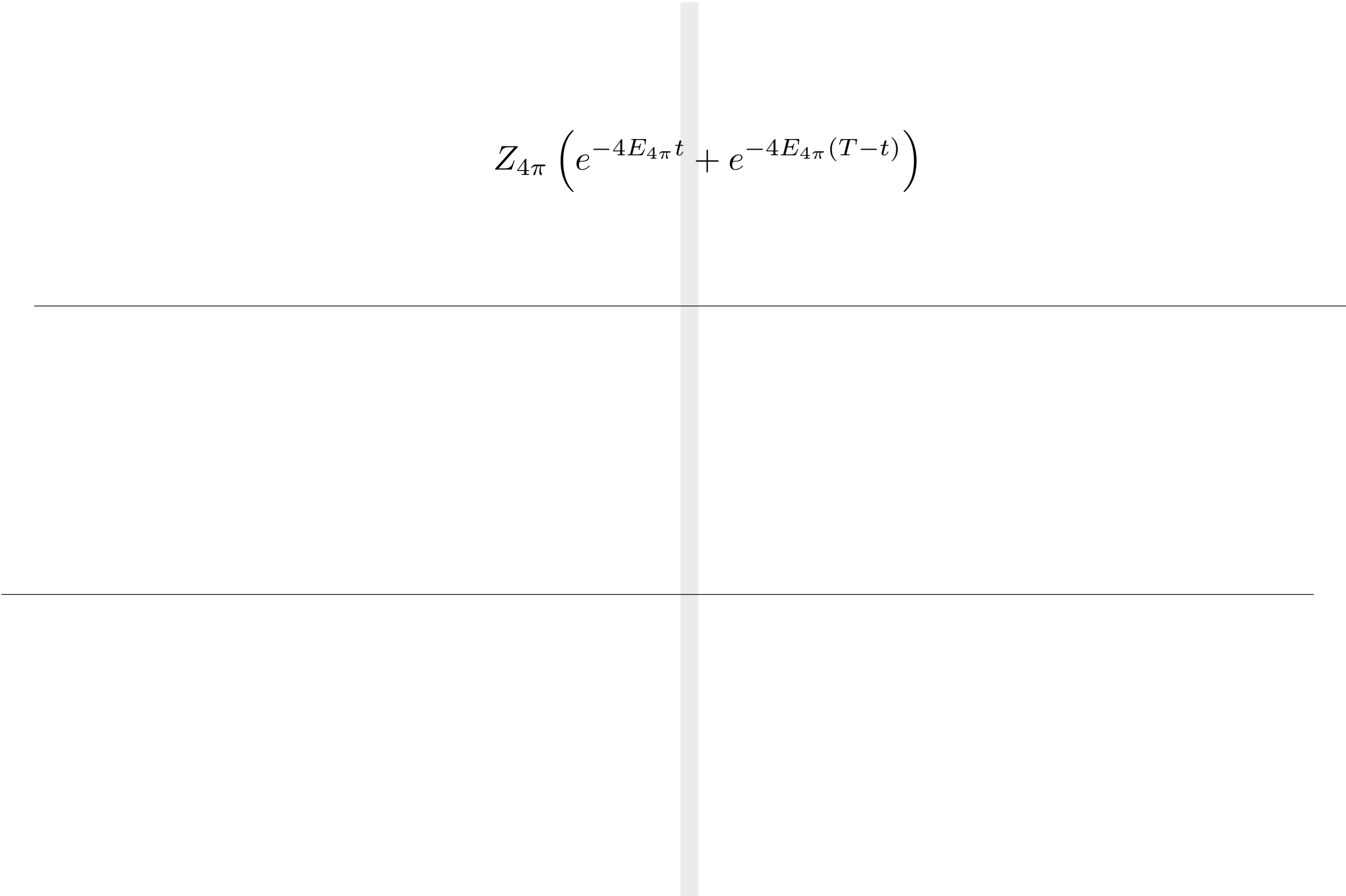
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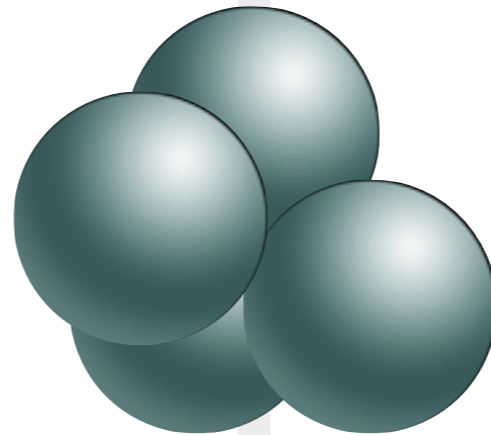


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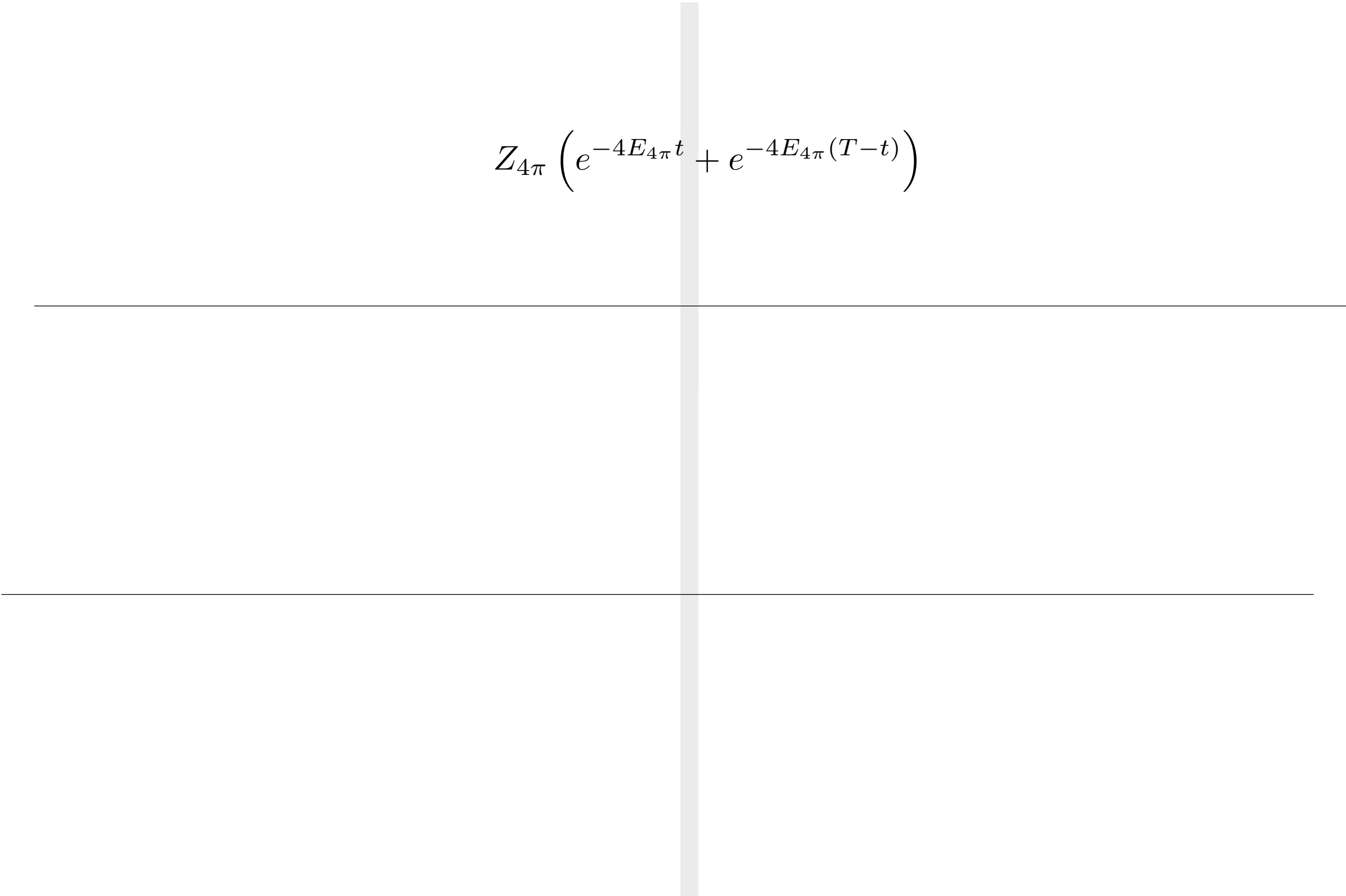
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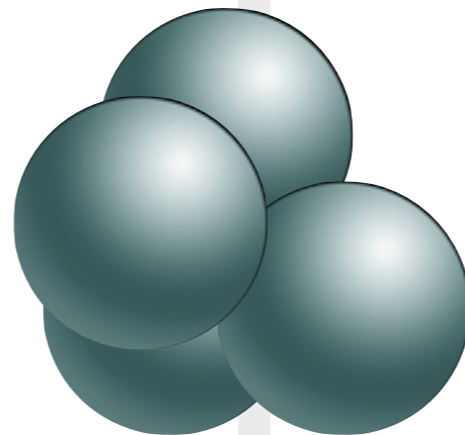
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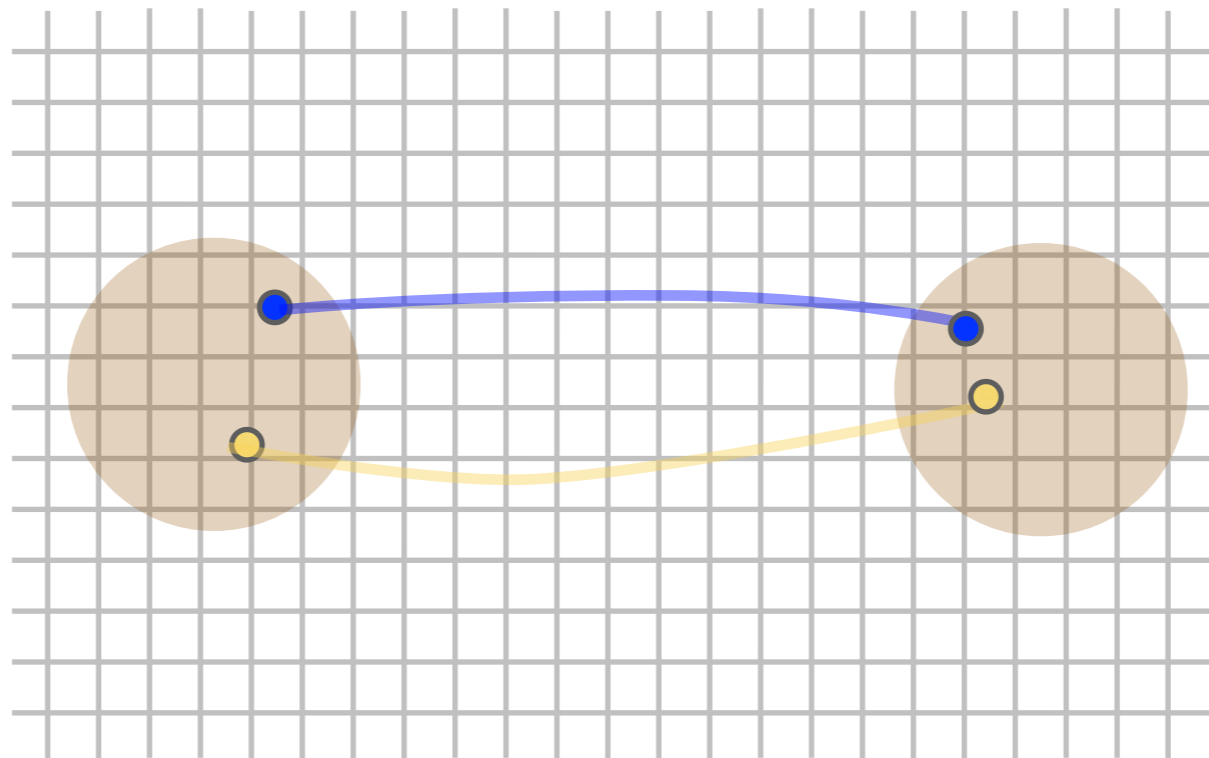
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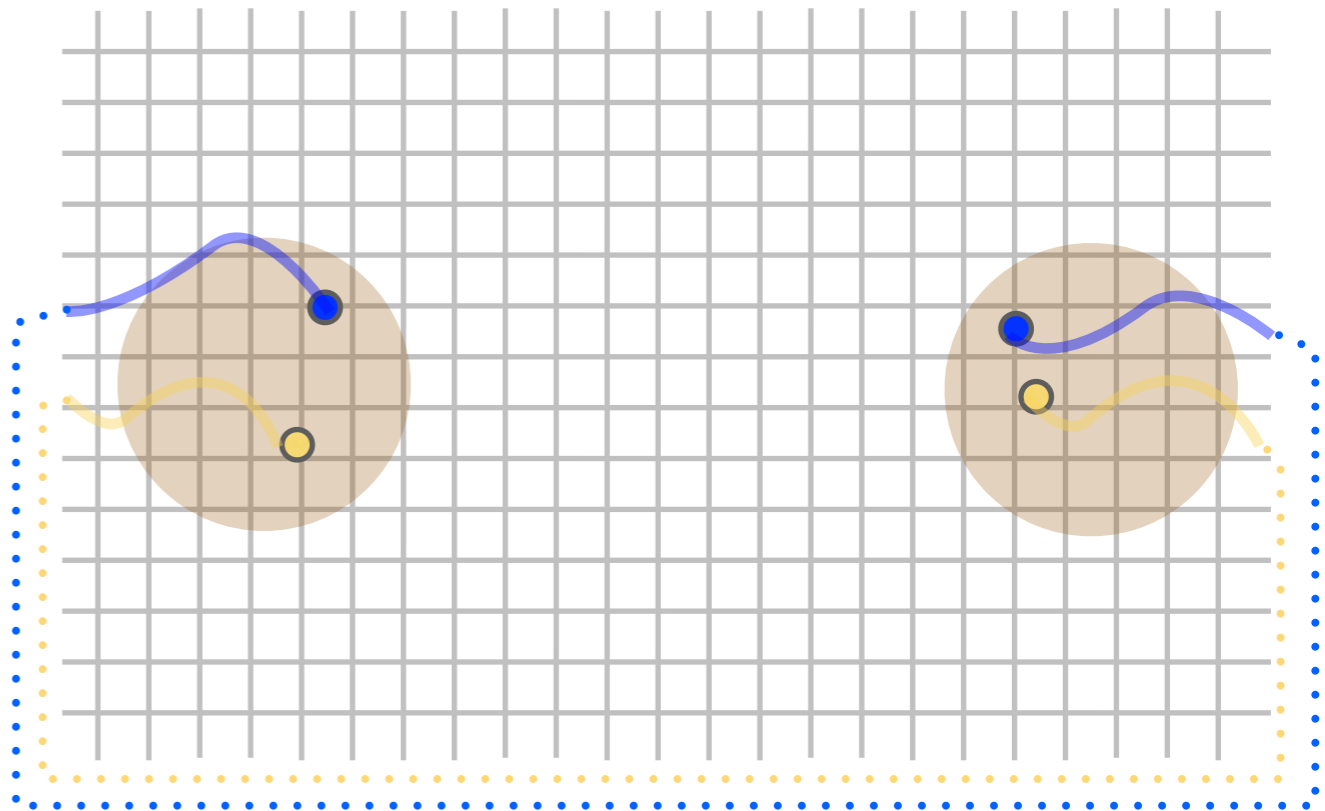
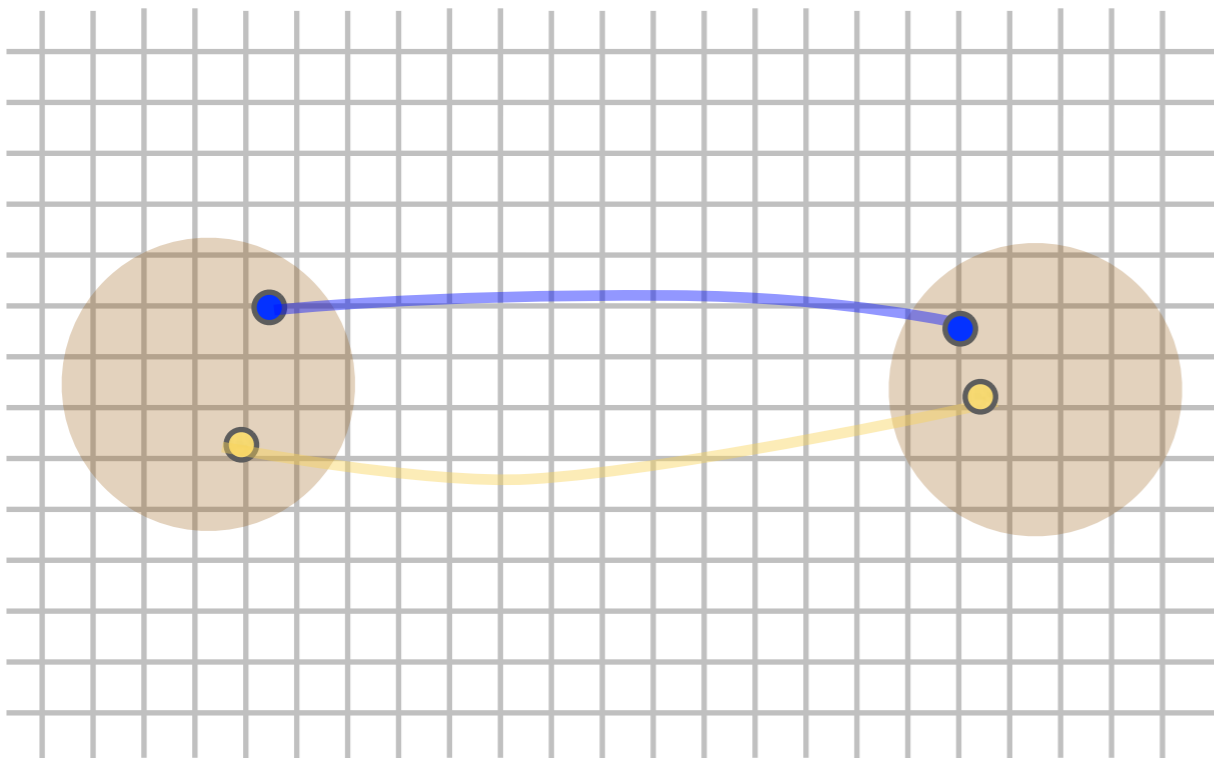


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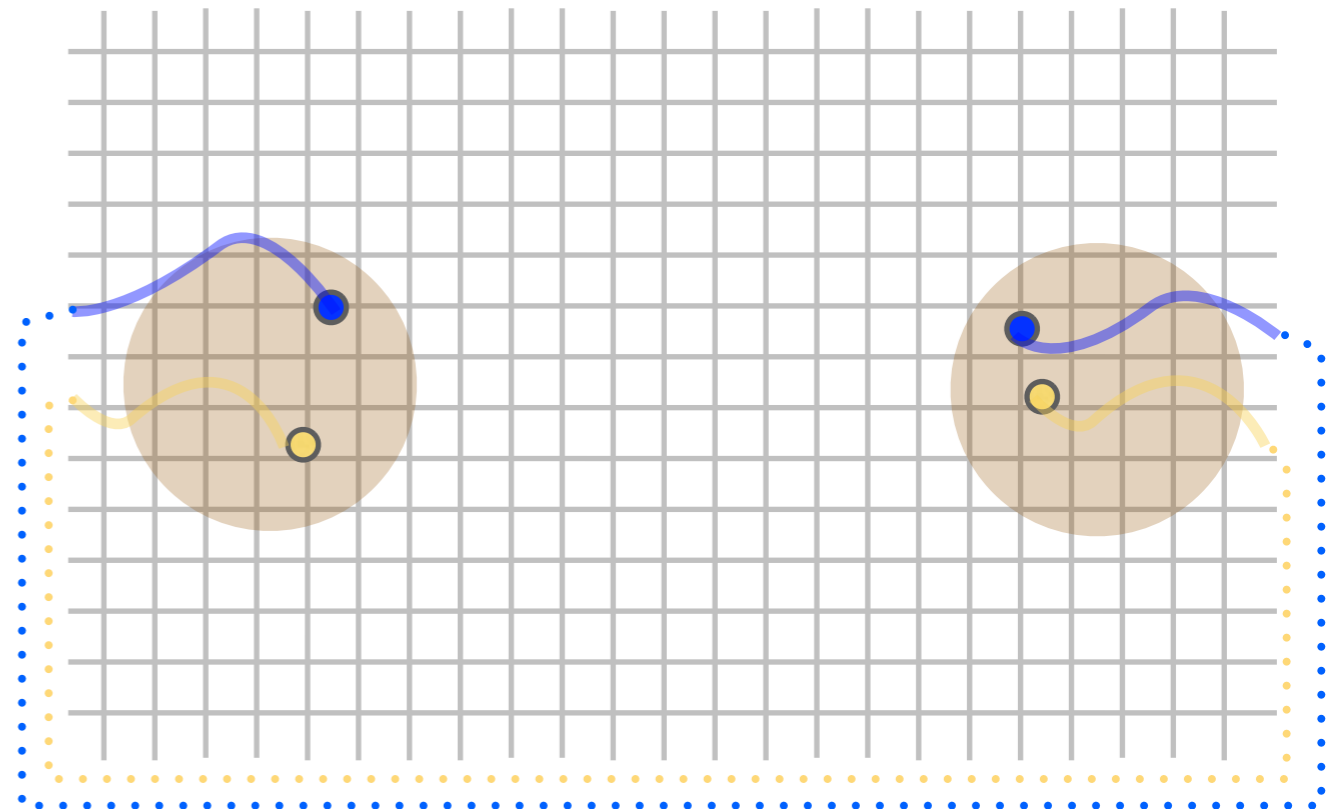
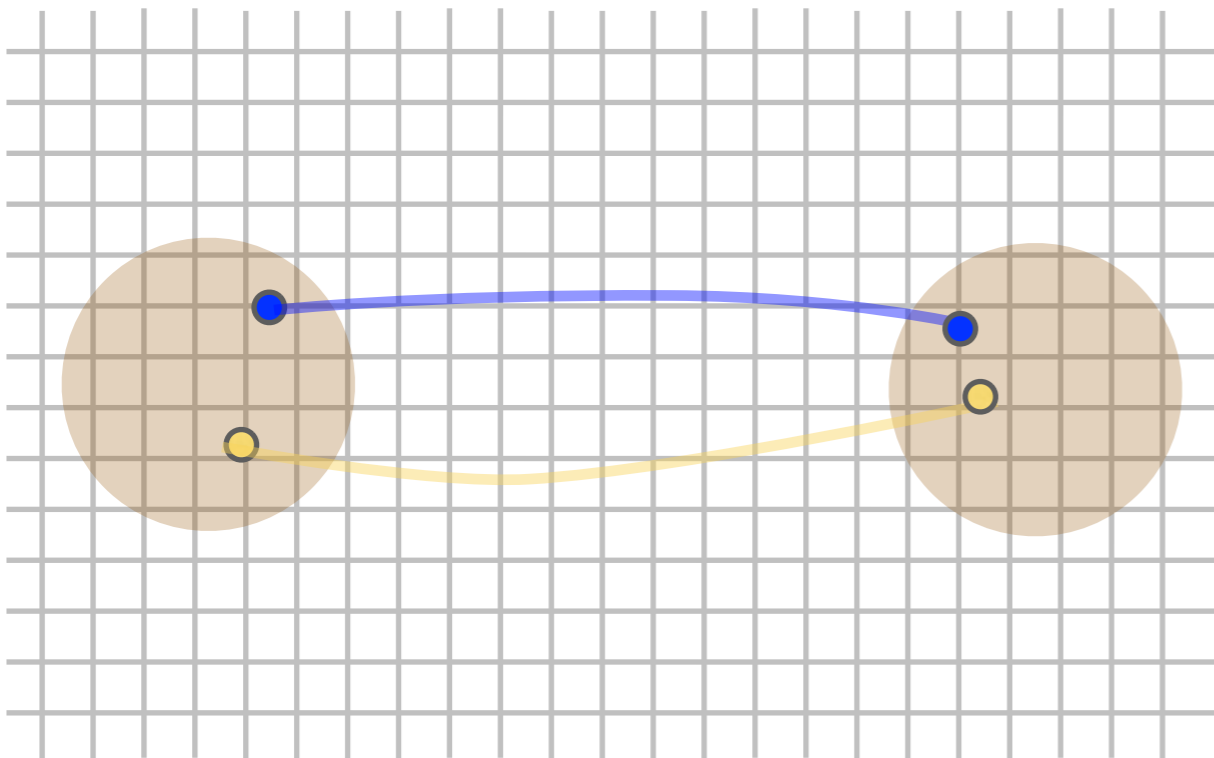


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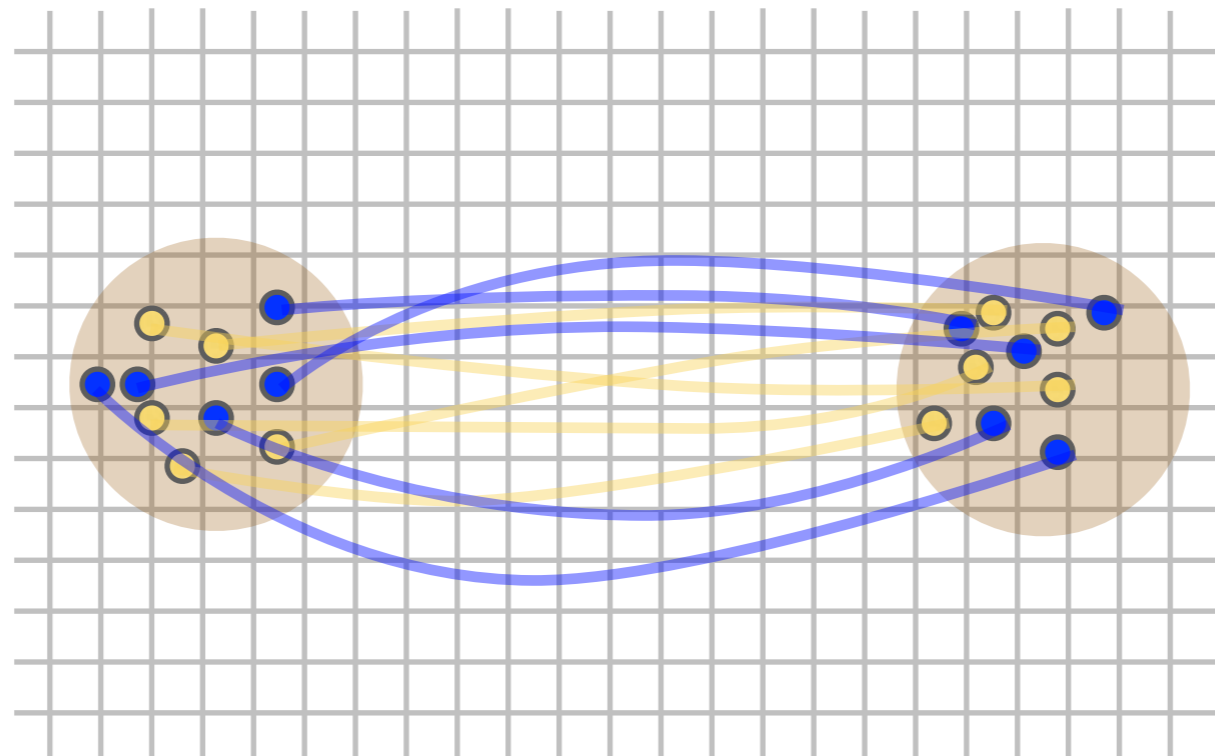


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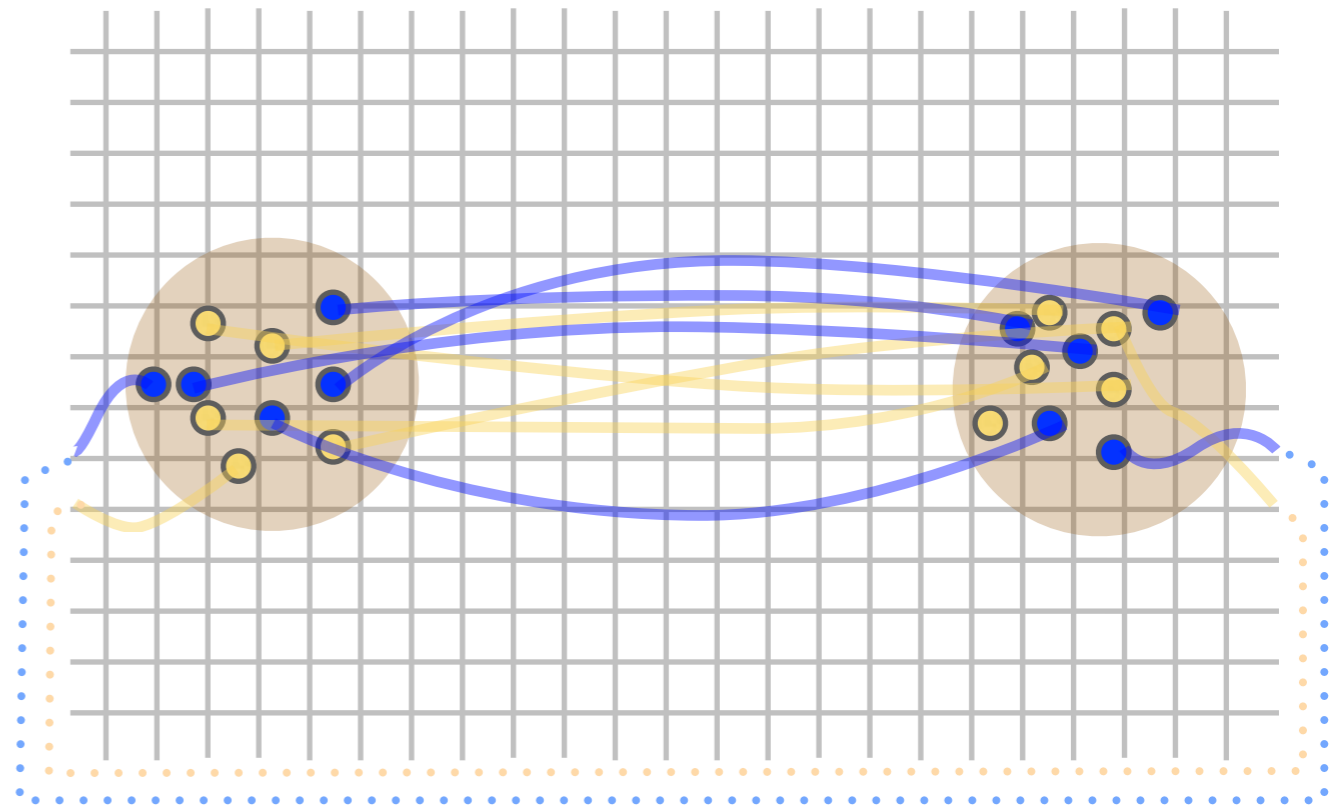
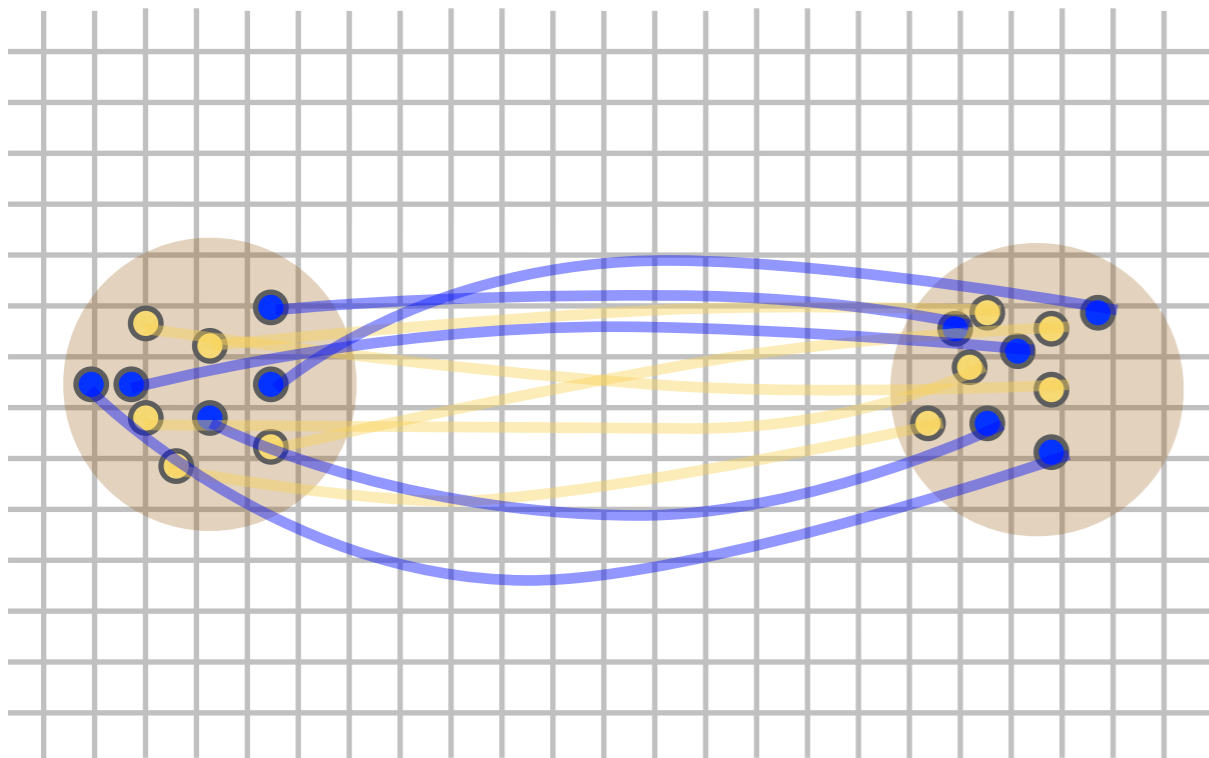


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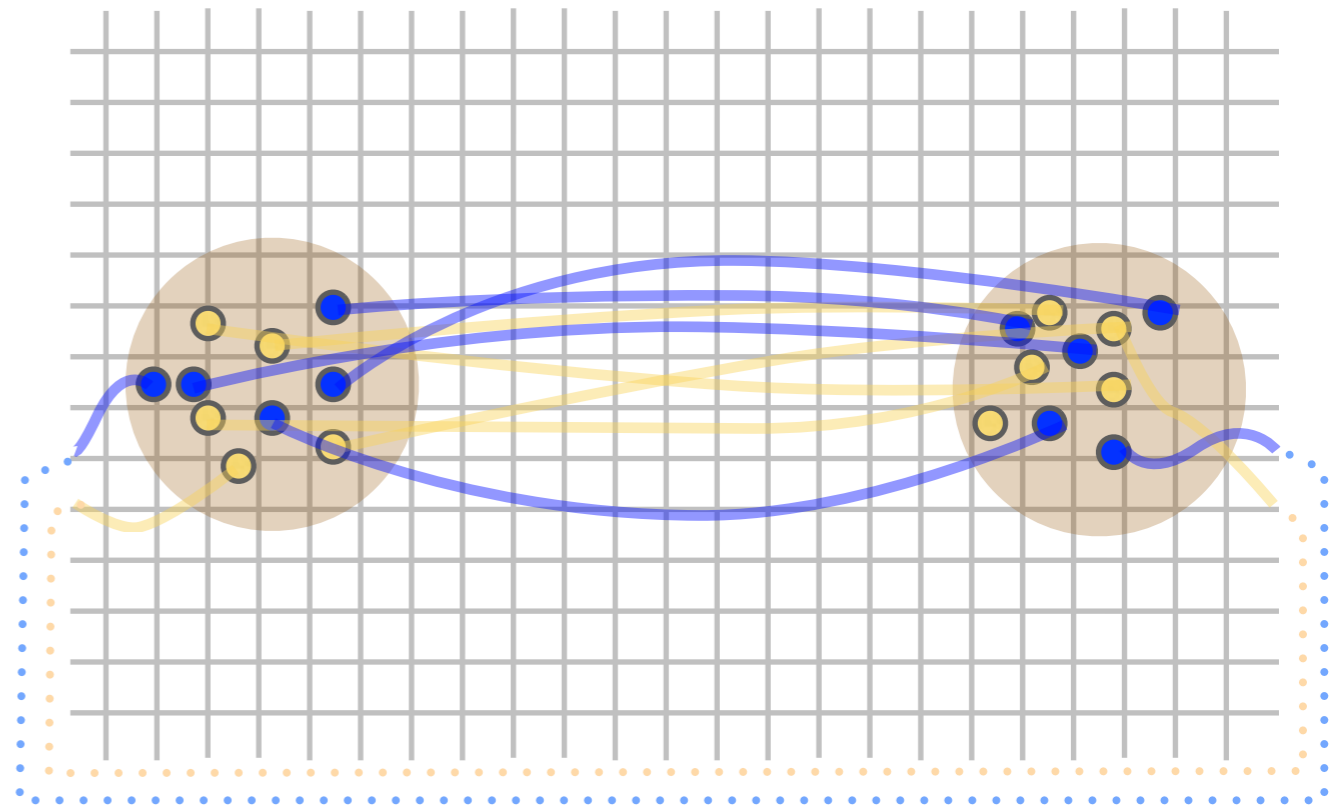
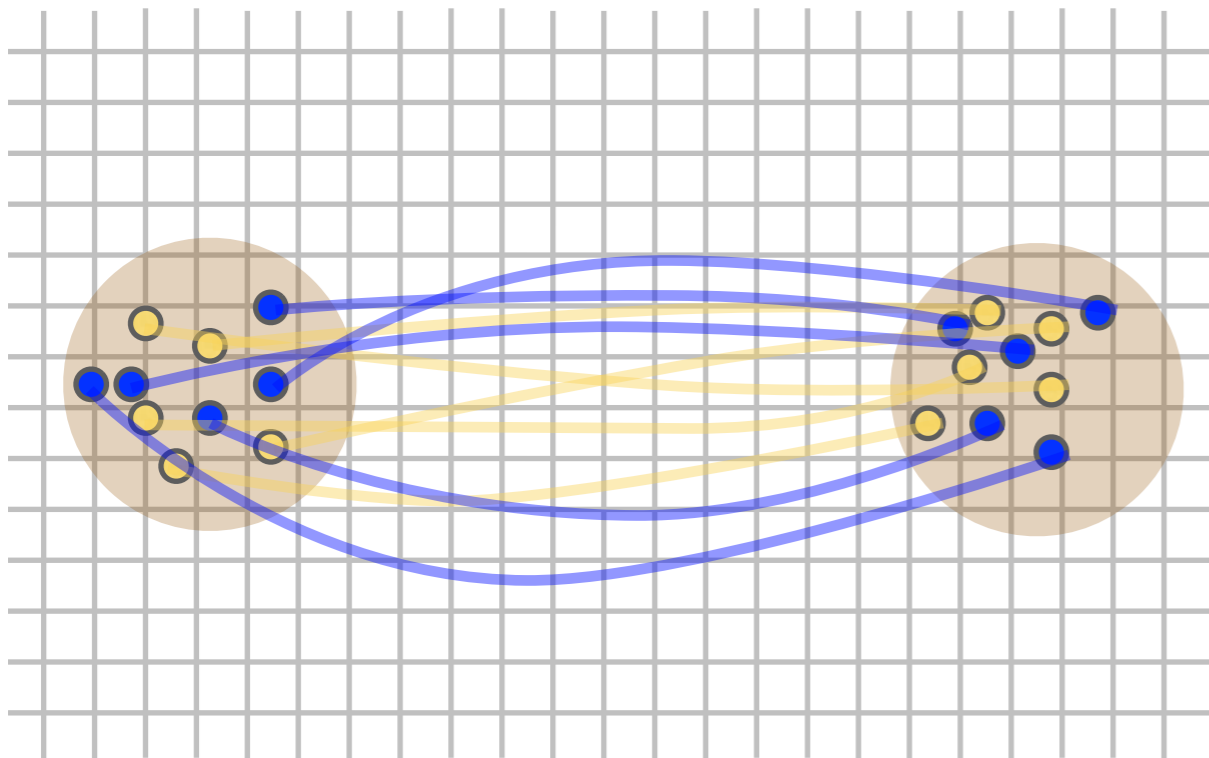


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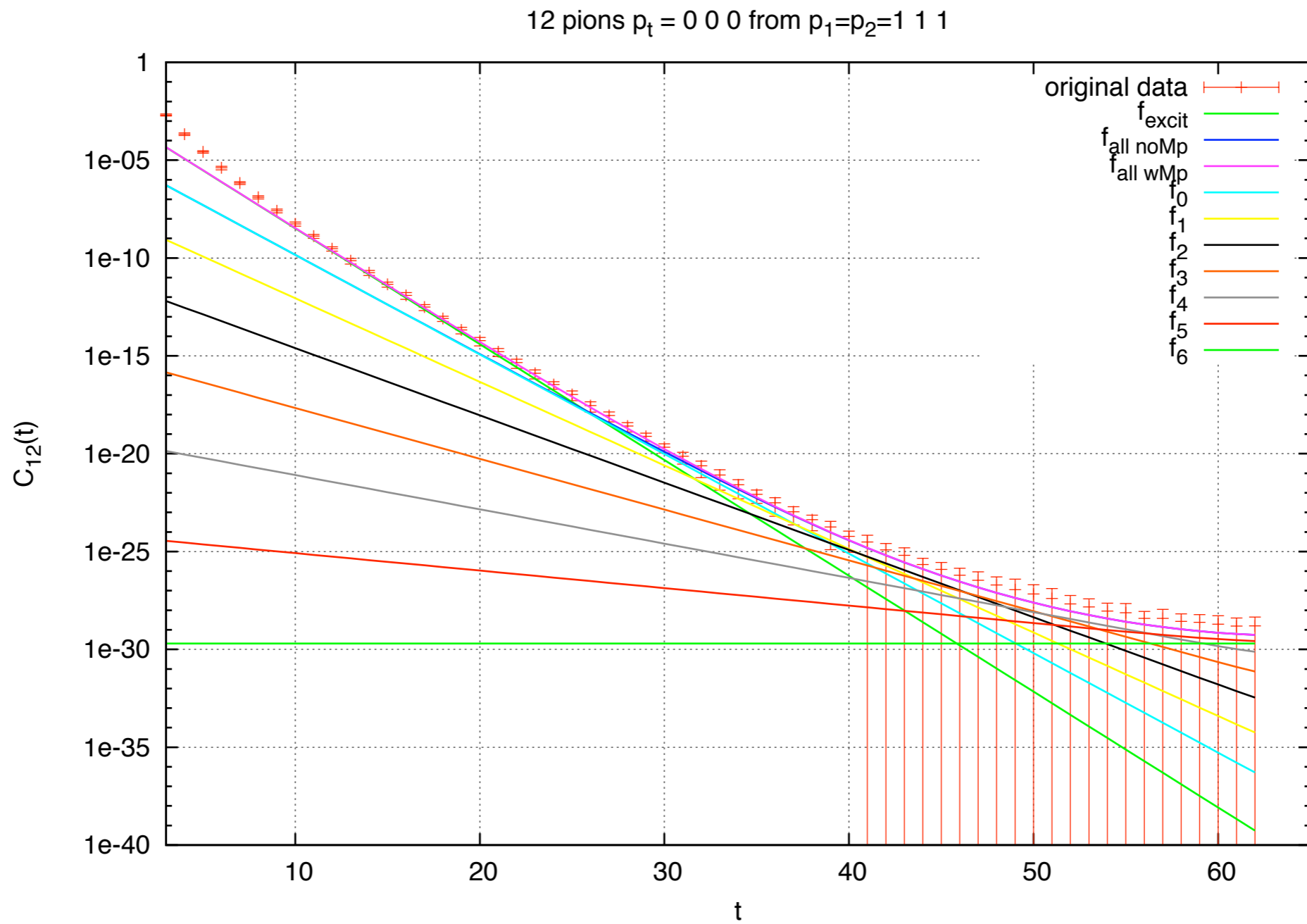
Analysis on finite T correlators

- Can rewrite the t dependence as

$$C_{n\pi}(t) = \sum_{m=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n}{m} A_m^n Z_m^n e^{-(E_{n-m} + E_m)T/2} \cosh((E_{n-m} - E_m)(t - T/2)) + \dots$$

- Extracting the eigen-energies from these correlators is difficult
 - Many parameters appear in each correlator
 - Correlations between different C_j as the energy E_k occurs in all C_j ($j \geq k$)
 - Various ways to deal with this: eg cascading fits

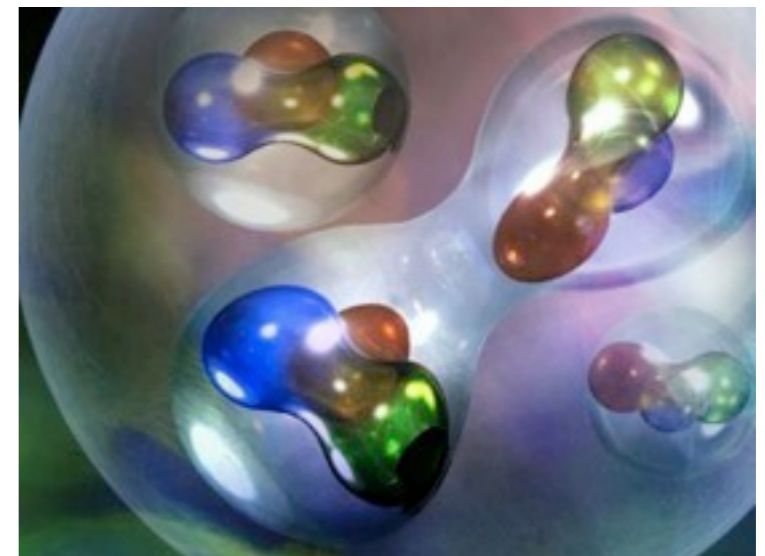
Thermal pollution



At no point does the ground state dominate the correlator!!!

Medium effects and matrix elements

- So far we have only investigated *spectroscopy* of multi-hadron systems
- What about the *structure* and other properties of such systems?
 - Moments, form factors, polarisabilities, weak interactions....
 - Probed by matrix elements in multi-hadron eigenstates
- What about in medium properties – how does a proton get modified in a nucleus (intrinsically not a well defined separation)?
 - Really an interpretation of the above
- Very new direction of investigation



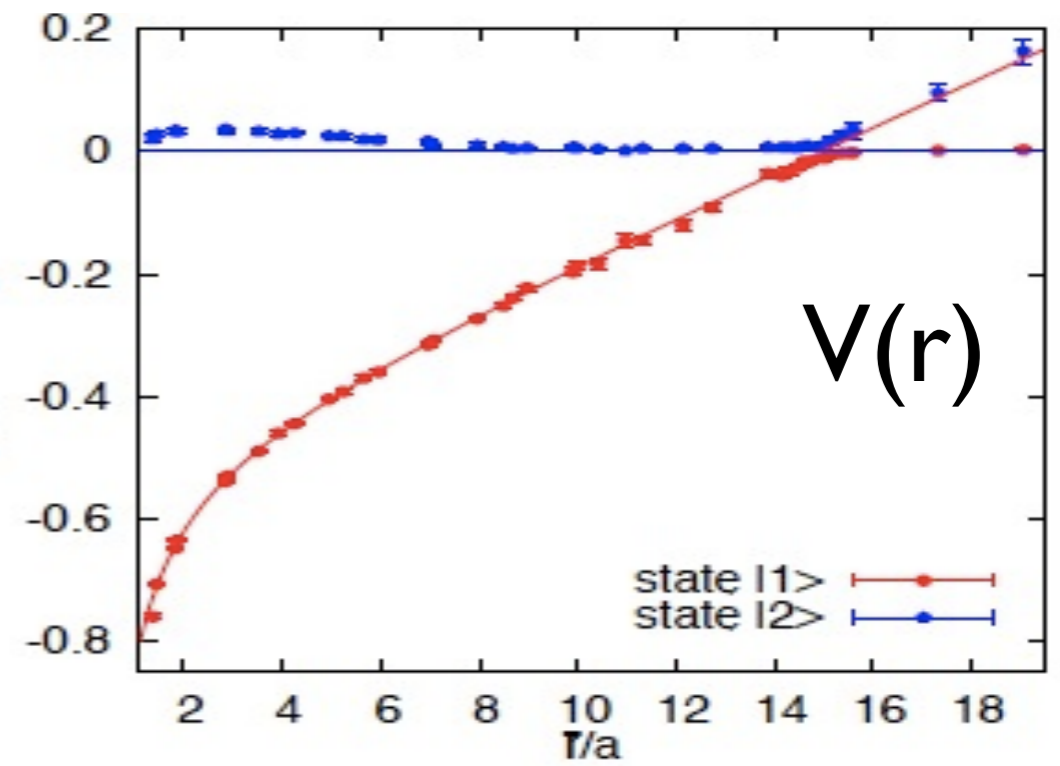
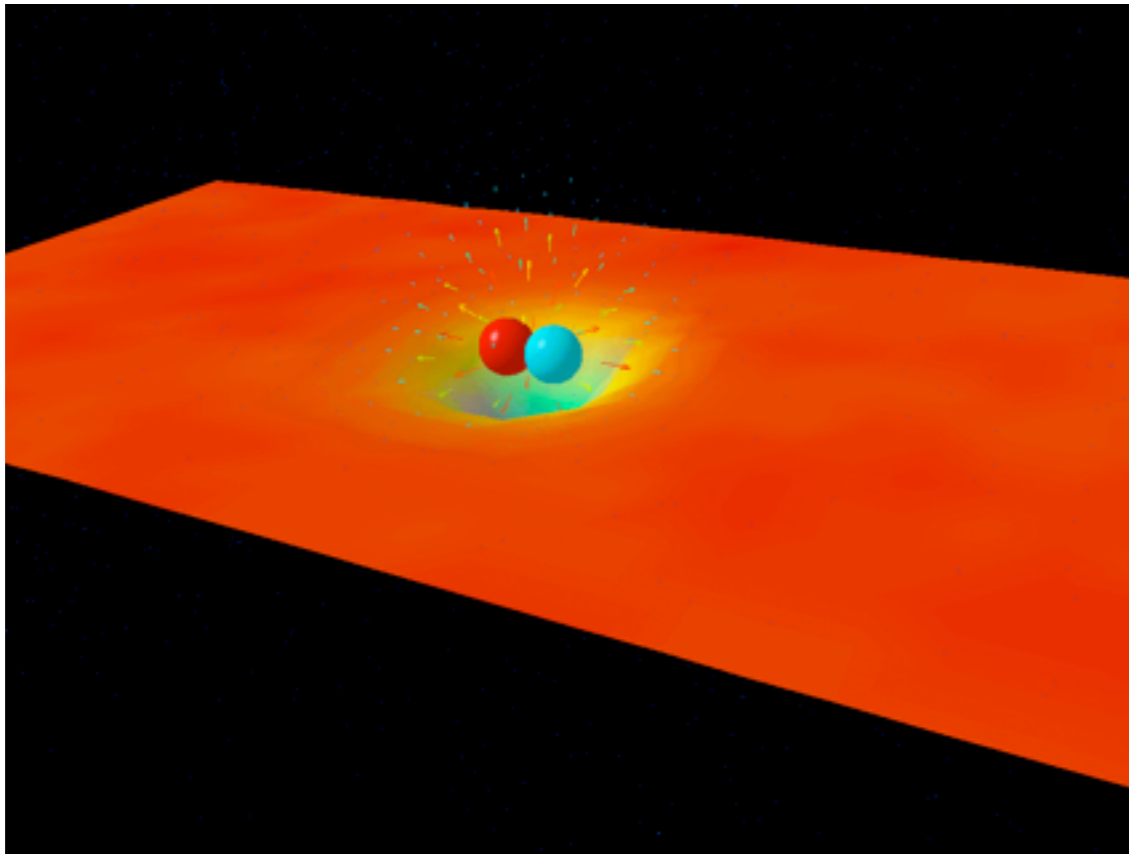
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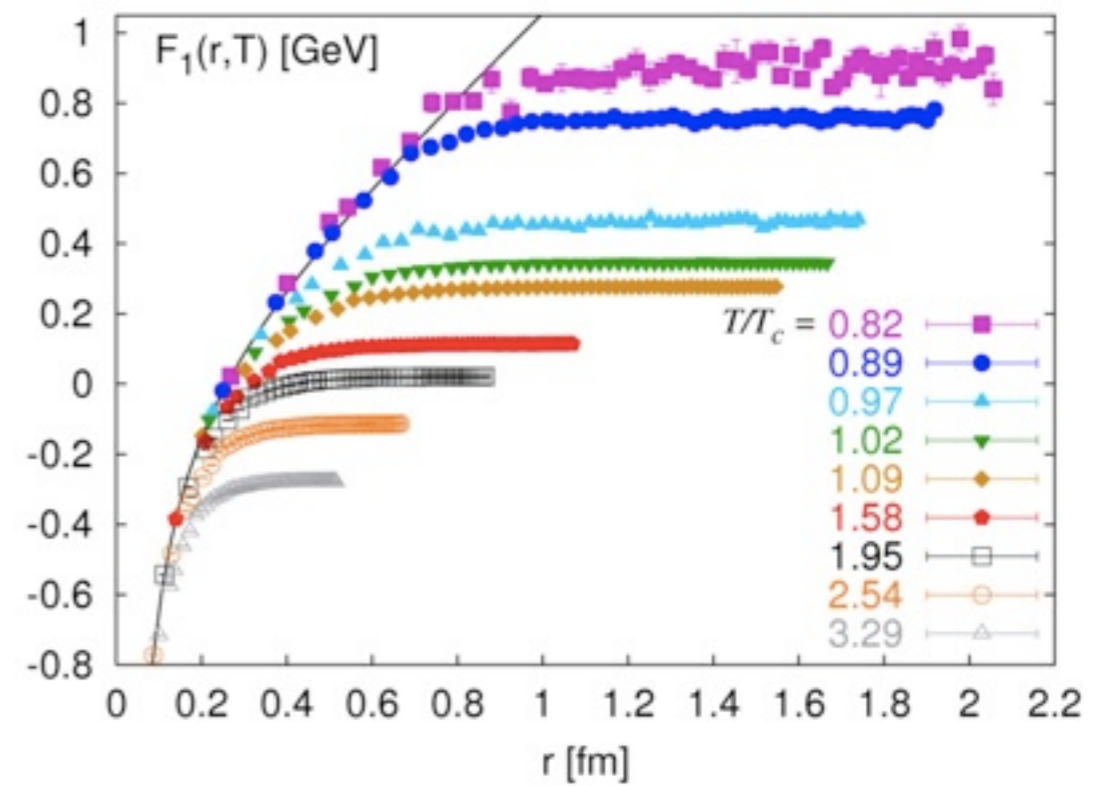
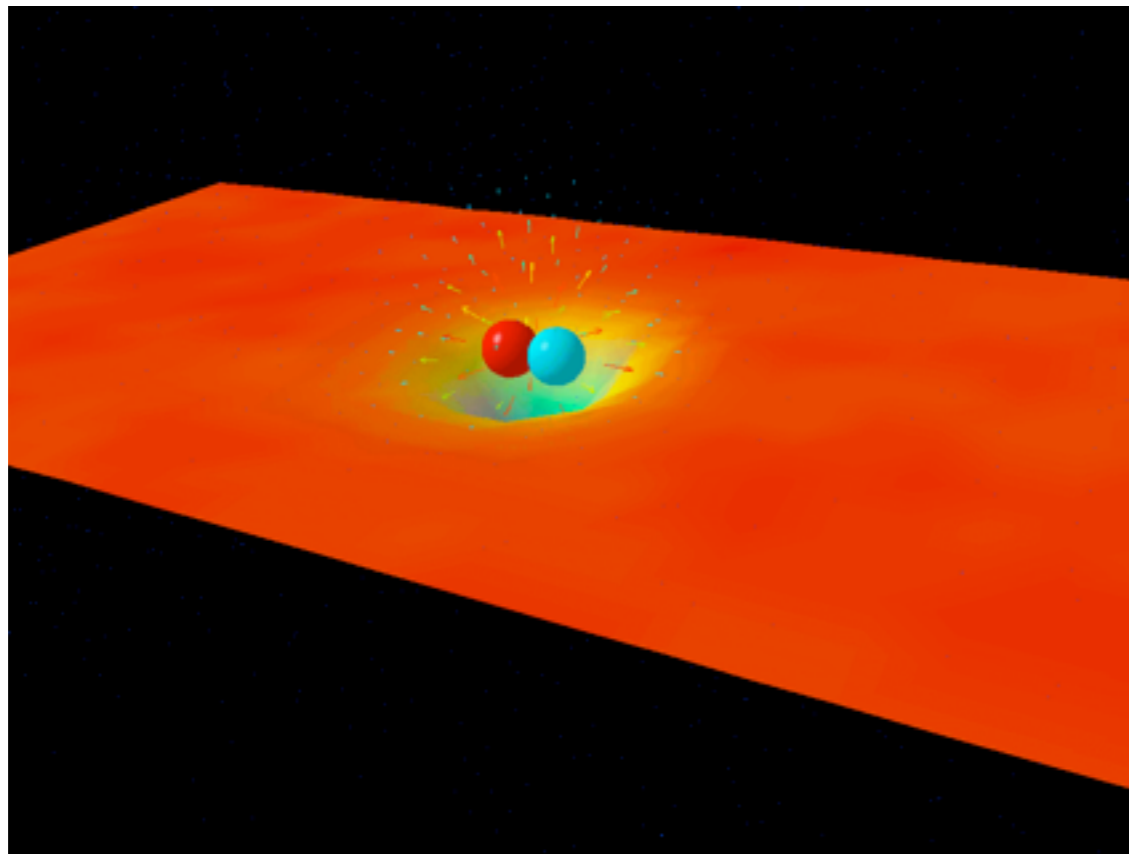
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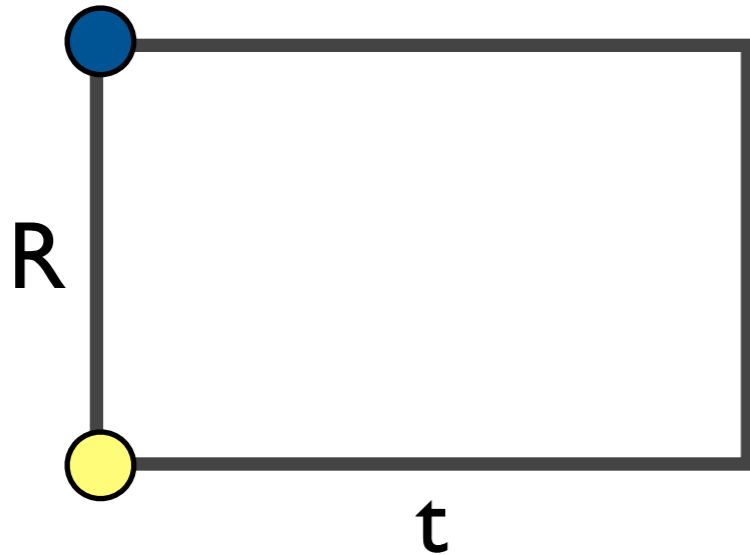


- Screening: evidence for quark-gluon plasma

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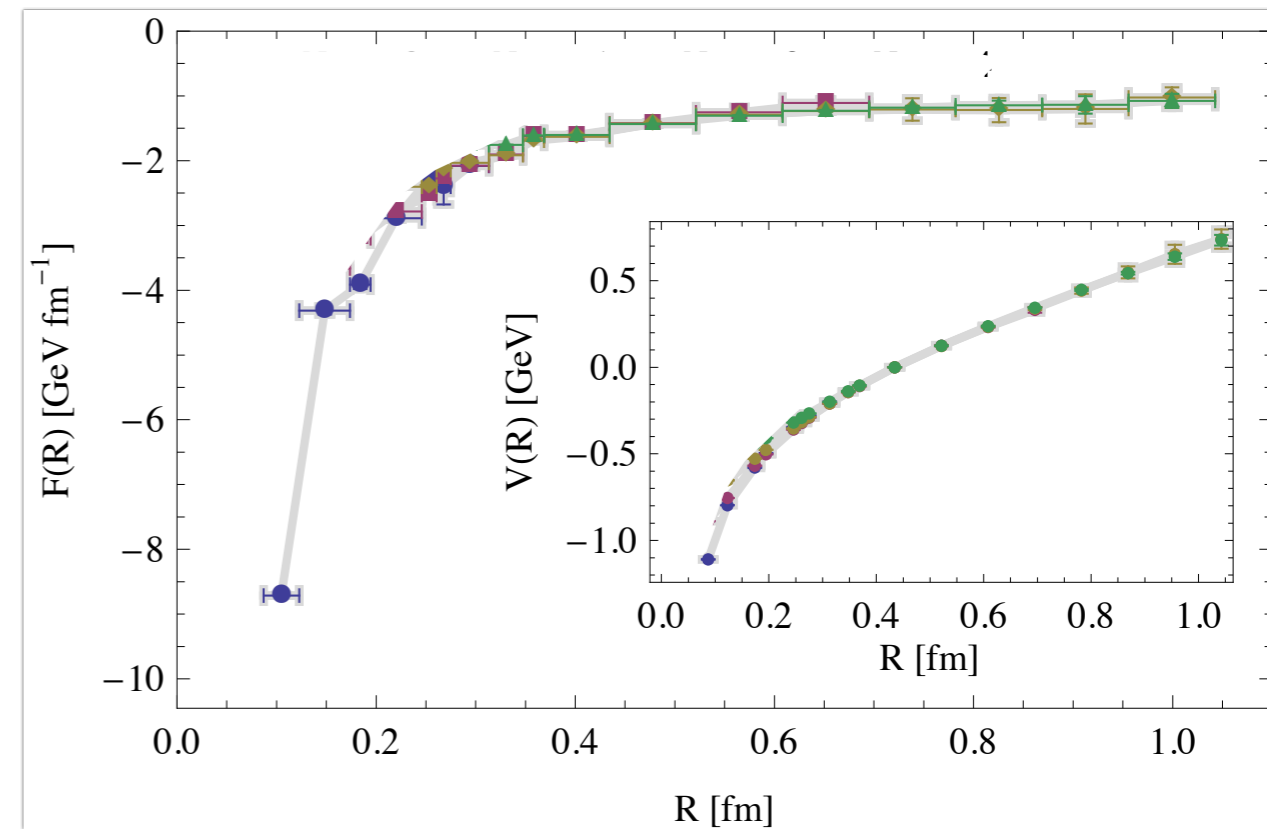
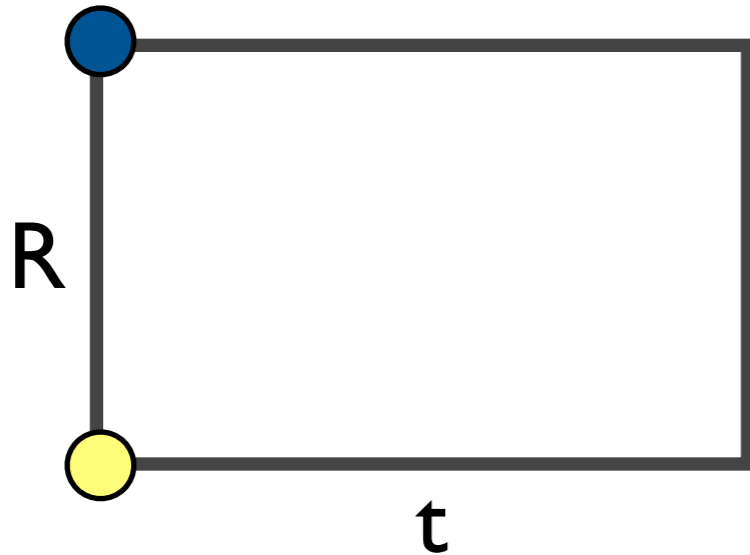
$$C_W(R, t_w, t) = \left\langle 0 \left| \sum_{\mathbf{y}, |\mathbf{r}|=R} \mathcal{W}(\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{r}, t; \mathbf{y}, t_w) \right| 0 \right\rangle$$
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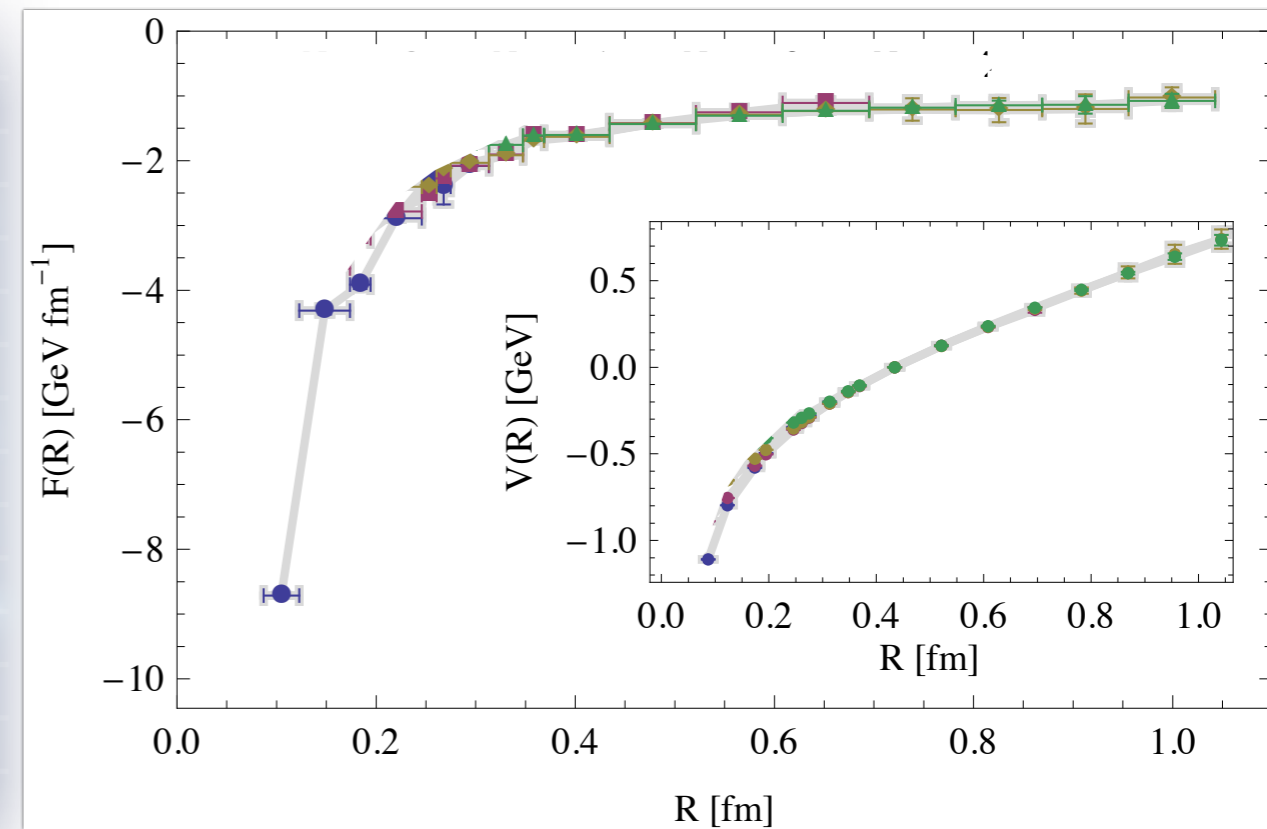
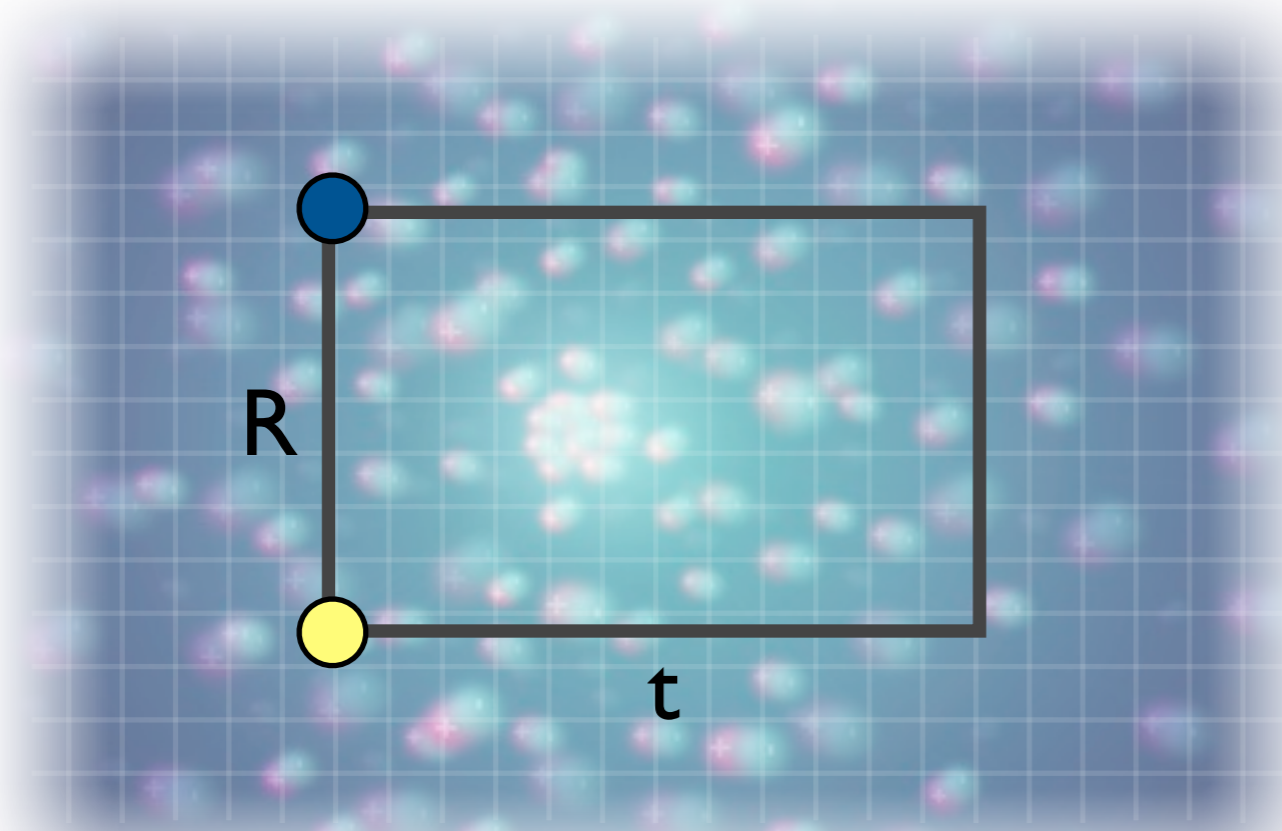
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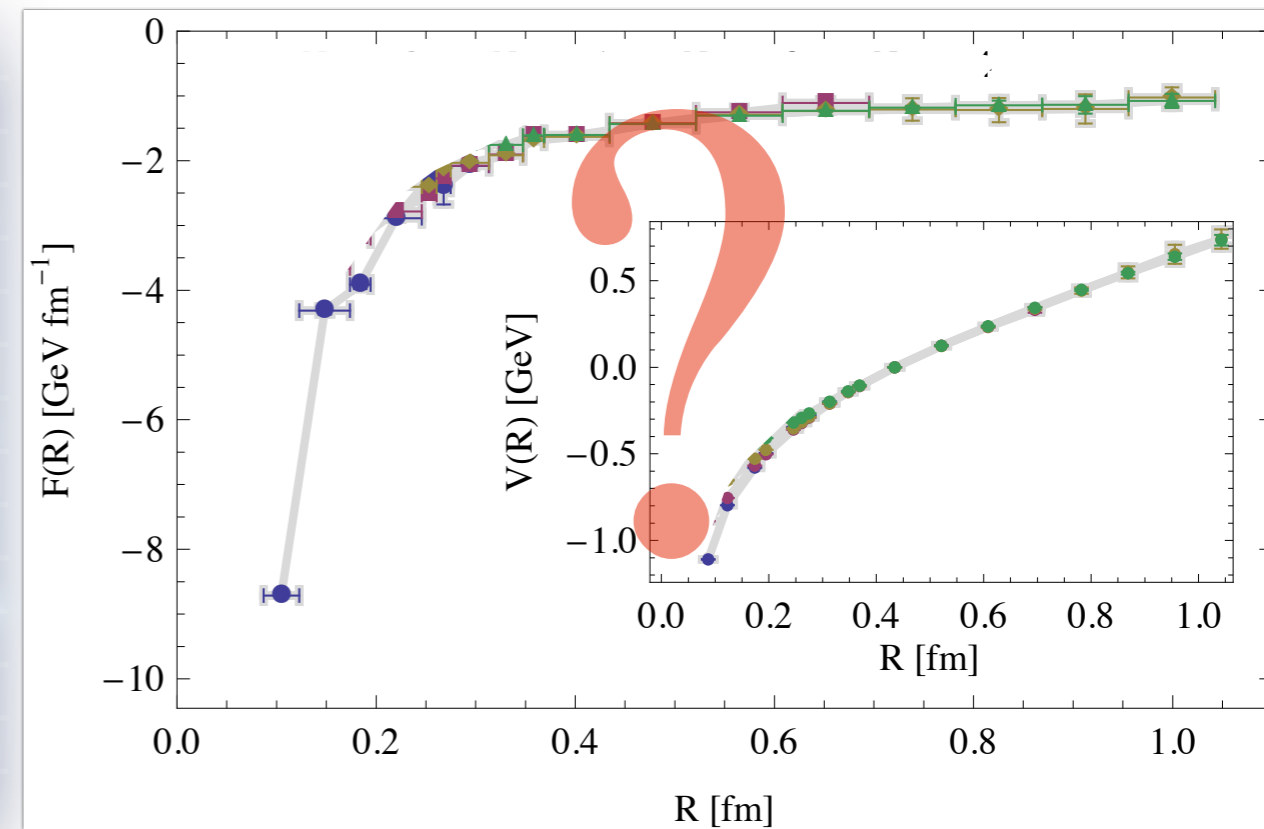
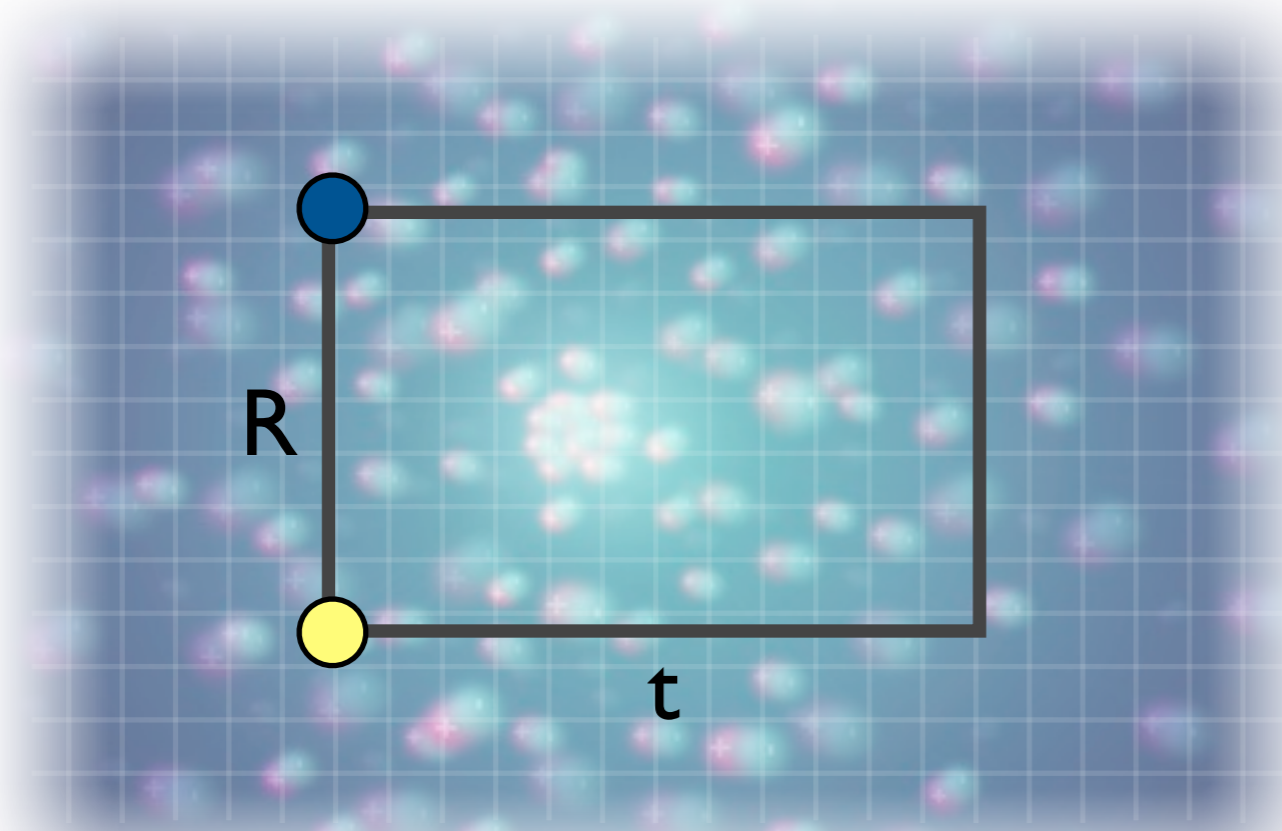


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In medium effects

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- Wilson loop correlator

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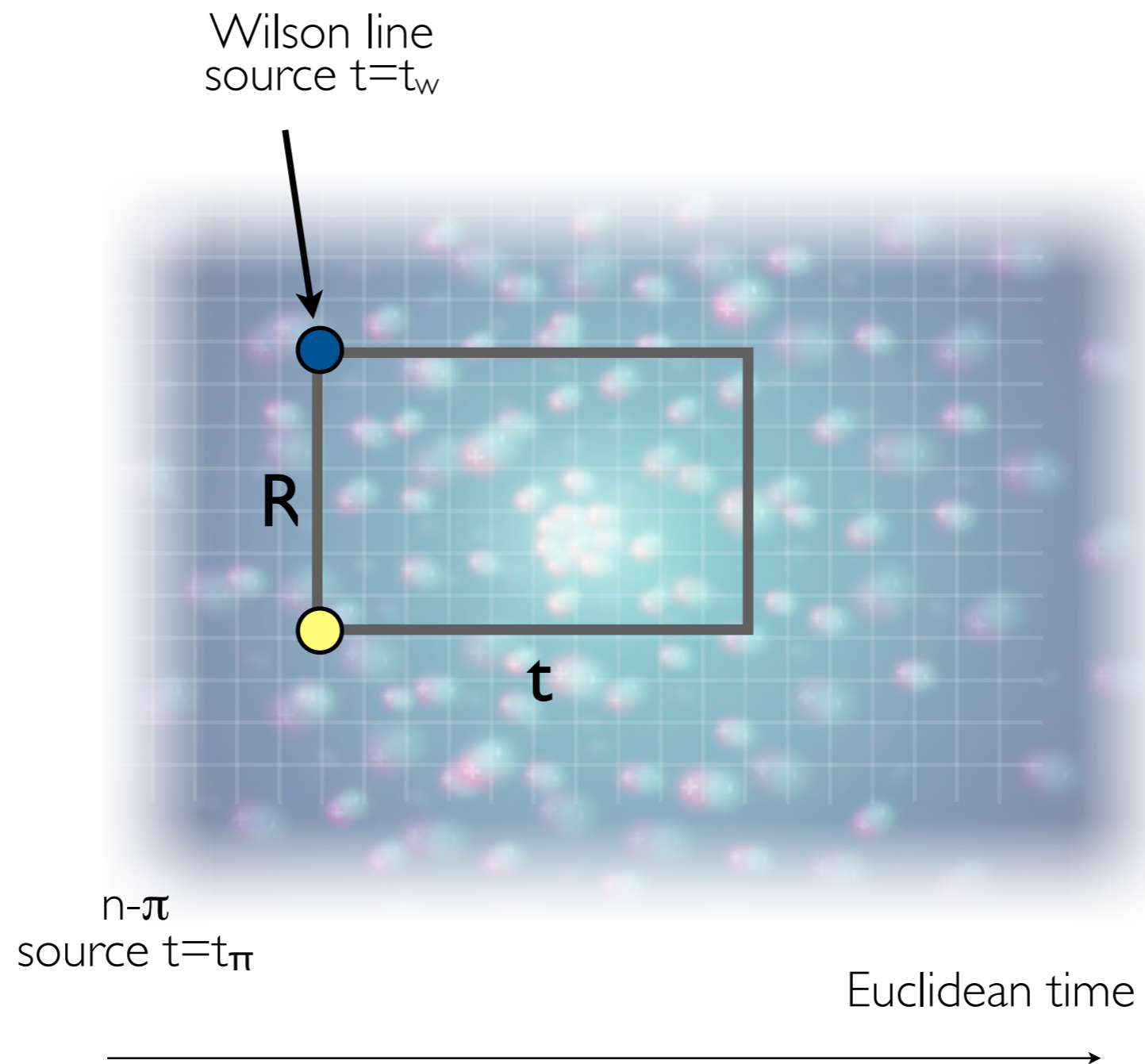
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- Ratio gives shift in potential due to interaction of potential with pion system

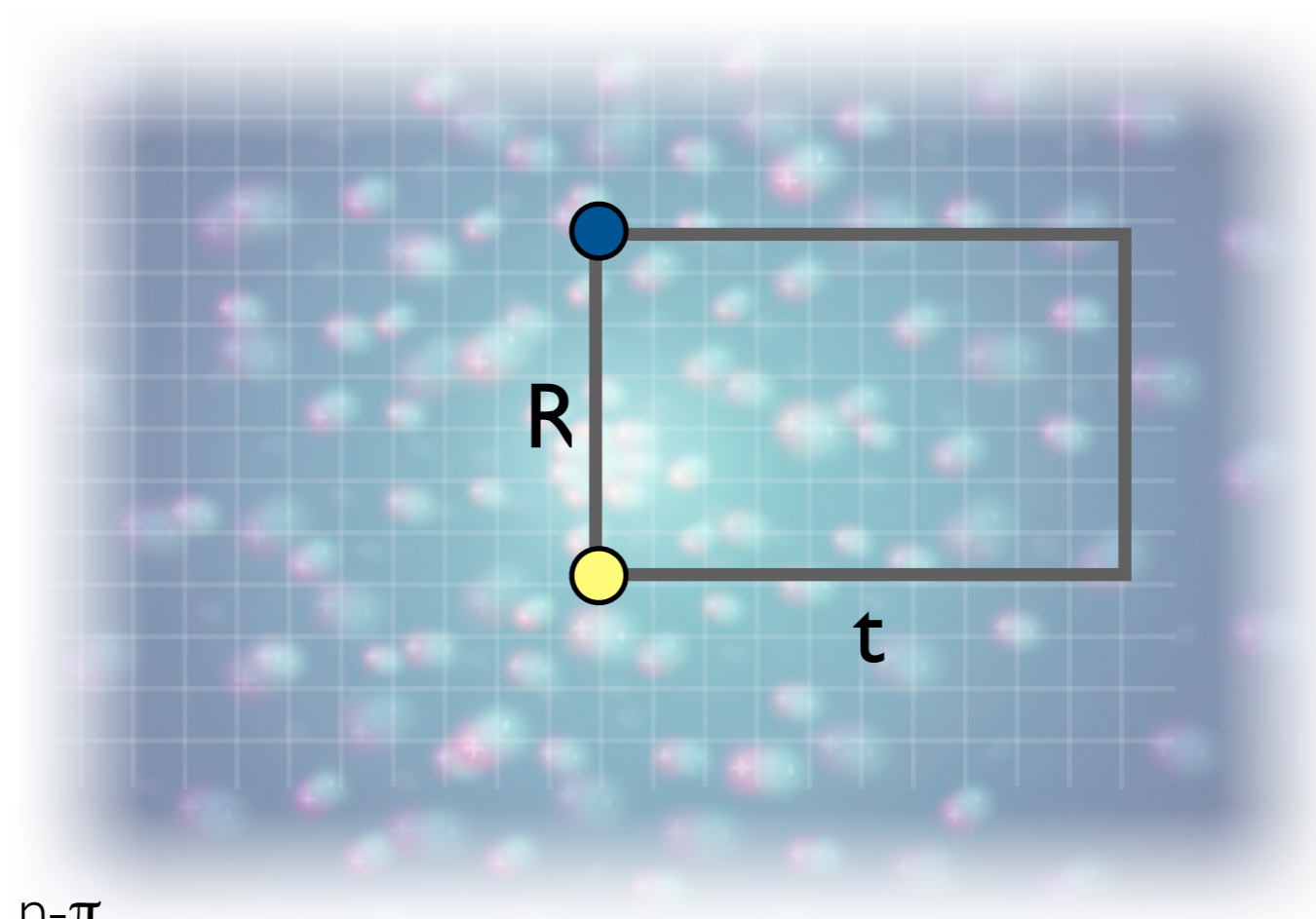
$$G_{n,W}(R, t_\pi, t_w, t) = \frac{C_{n,W}(R, t_\pi, t_w, t)}{C_n(t_\pi, t) C_W(R, t_w, t)}$$

$$\longrightarrow \# \exp[-\delta V(R, n)(t - t_w)]$$

In pictures



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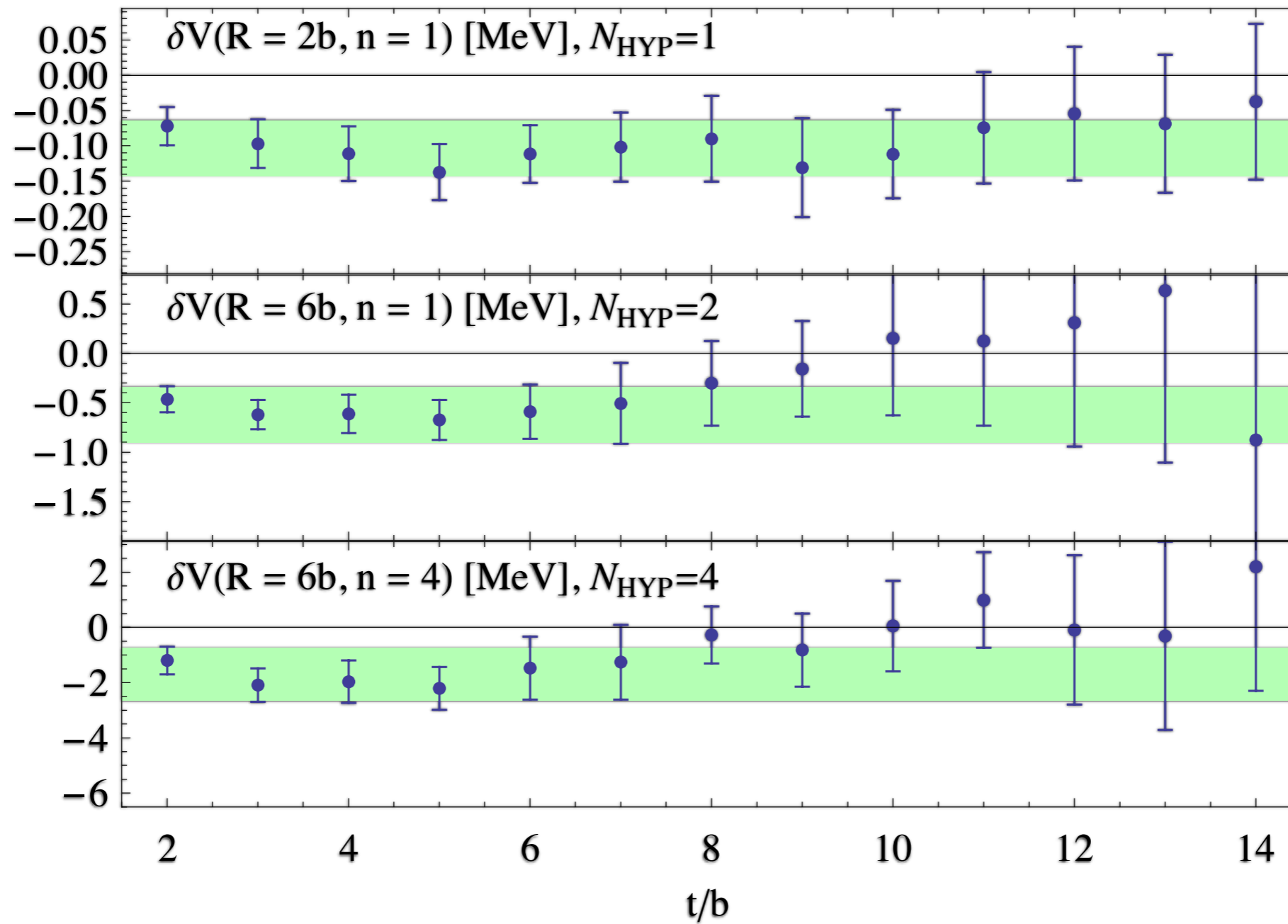
$n-\pi$
source $t=t_\pi$

Euclidean time



Effective δV plots

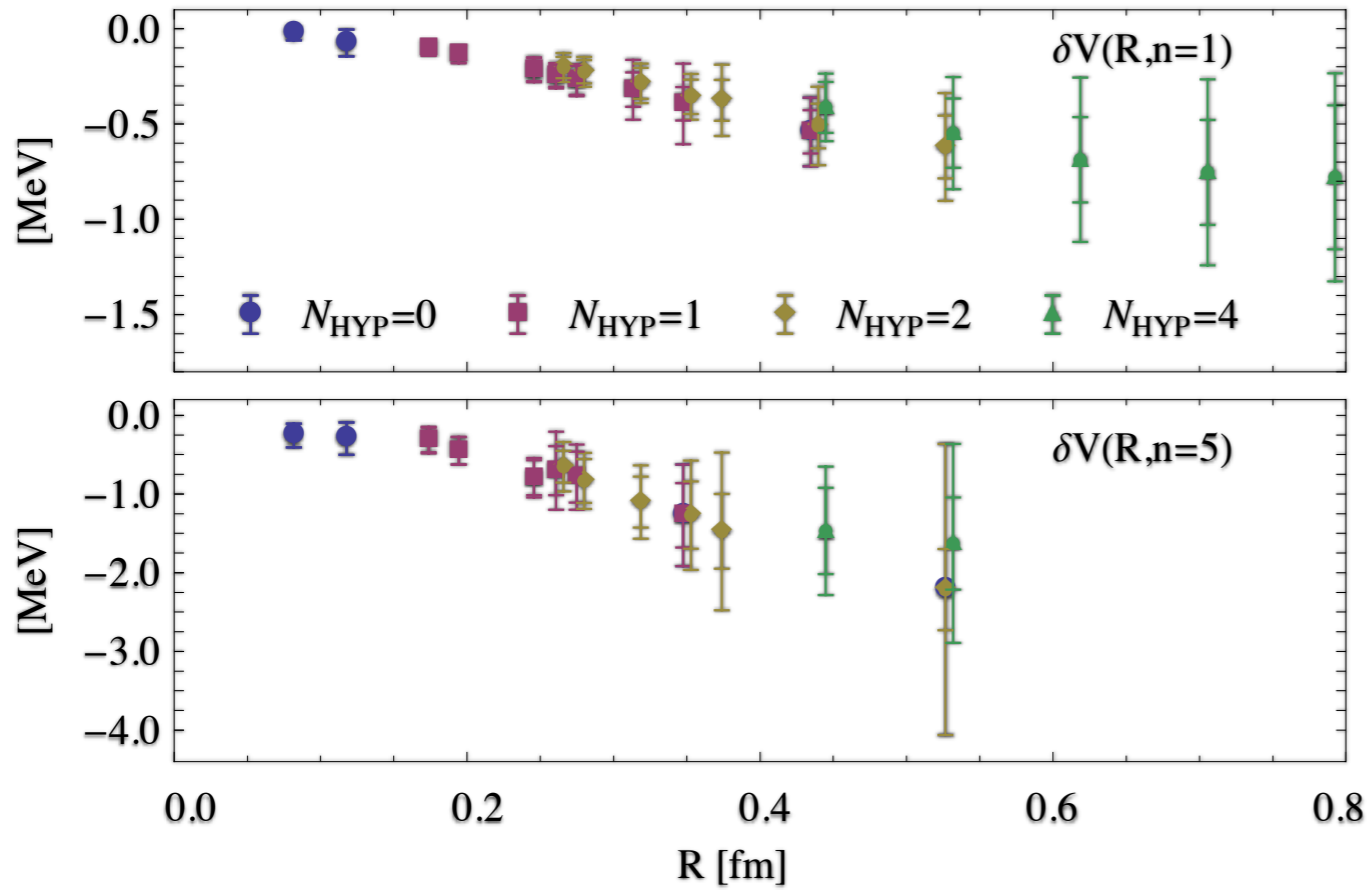
[WD & M Savage, PRL 102:032004, 2009]



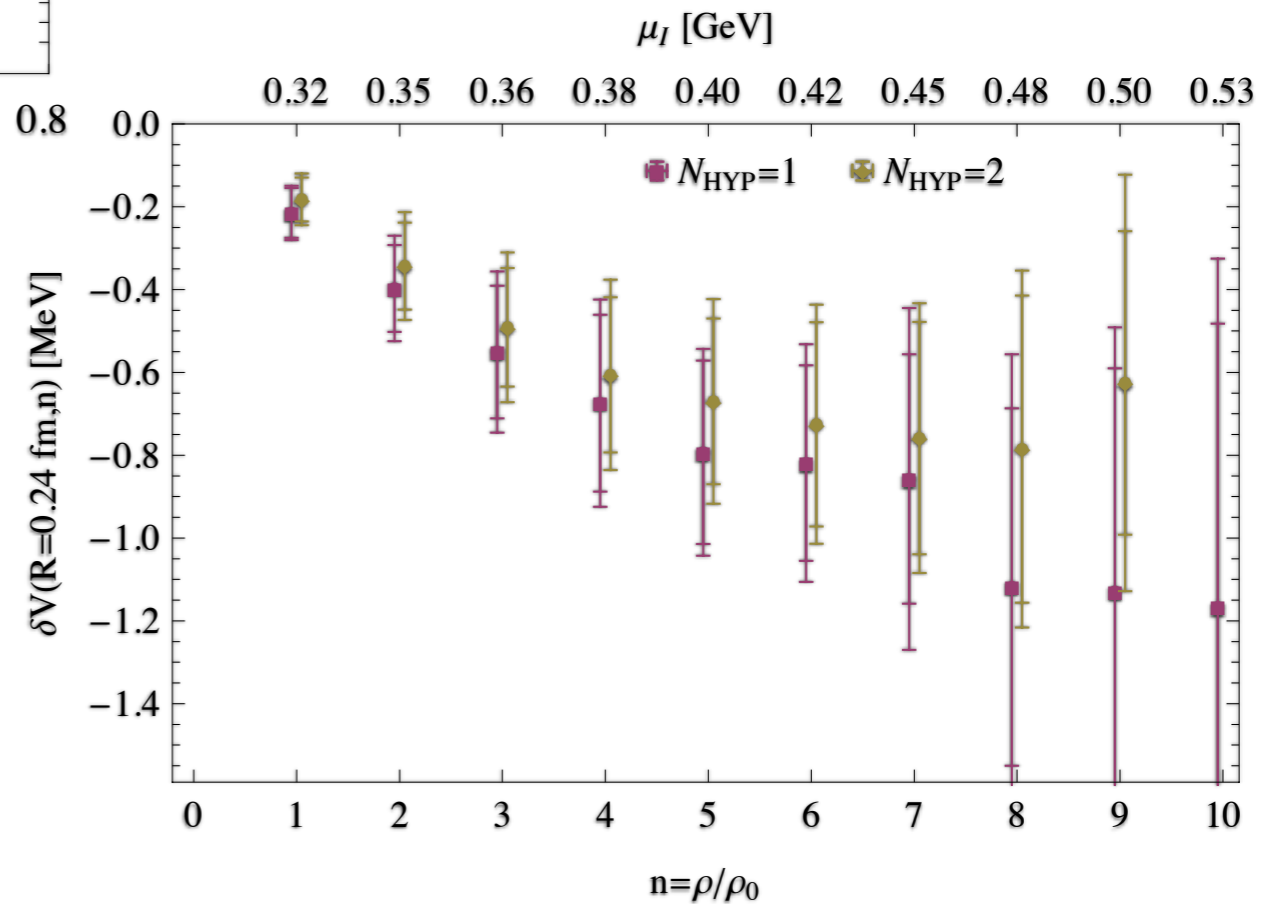
- DWF on MILC: $a=0.09$ fm, $28^3 \times 96$, $m_\pi=318$ MeV

$\delta V(R, n)$

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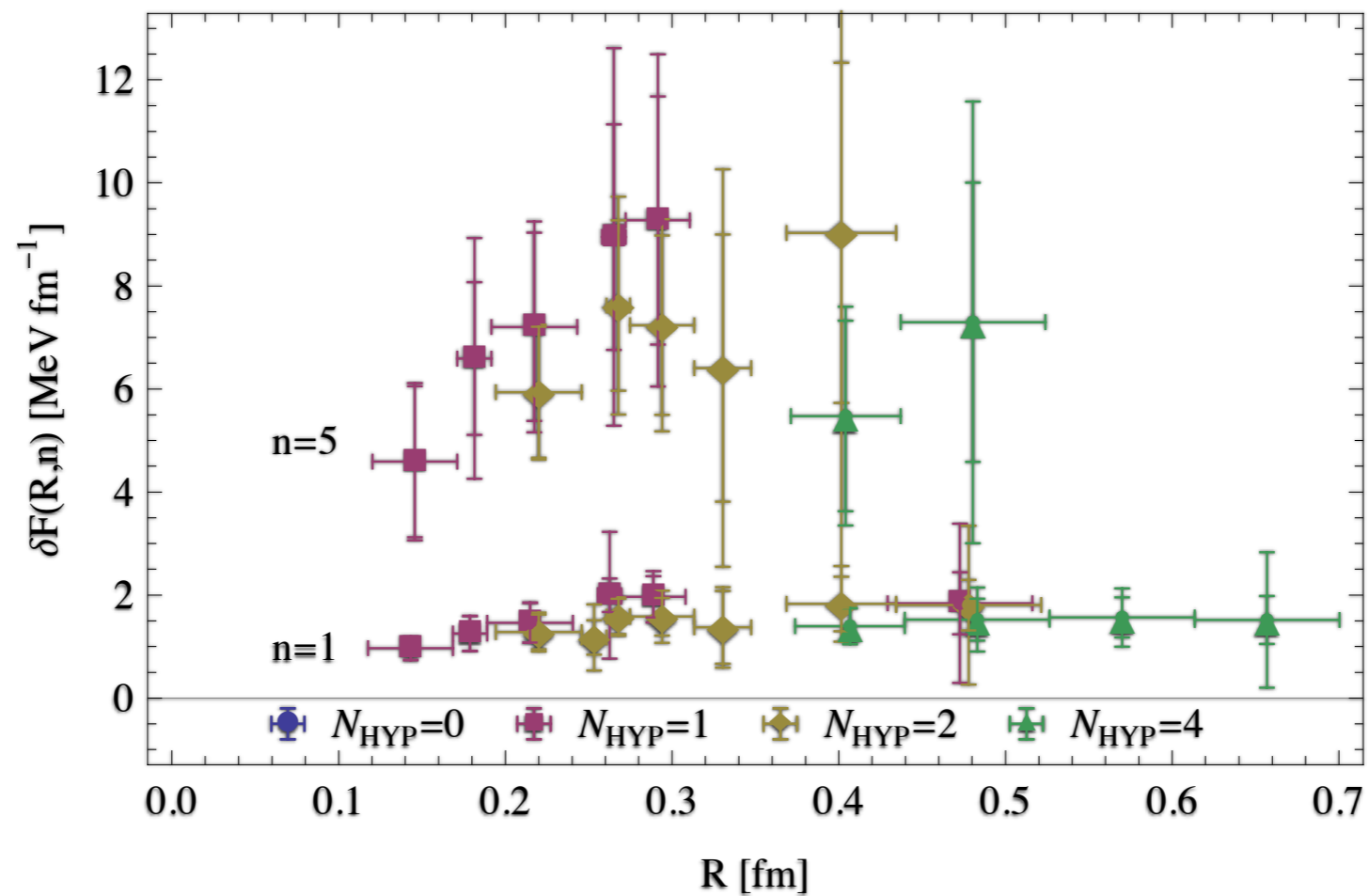


- 100 keV effect at small n, small R
- Approximately linear in isospin density



$\delta F(R, n=1 \text{ \& } 5)$

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- Small effect: $\delta F(n=1)/F = 2/1000$ at large R
- Constant at large R
- Dielectric medium inside flux tube

Hadron structure in QCD

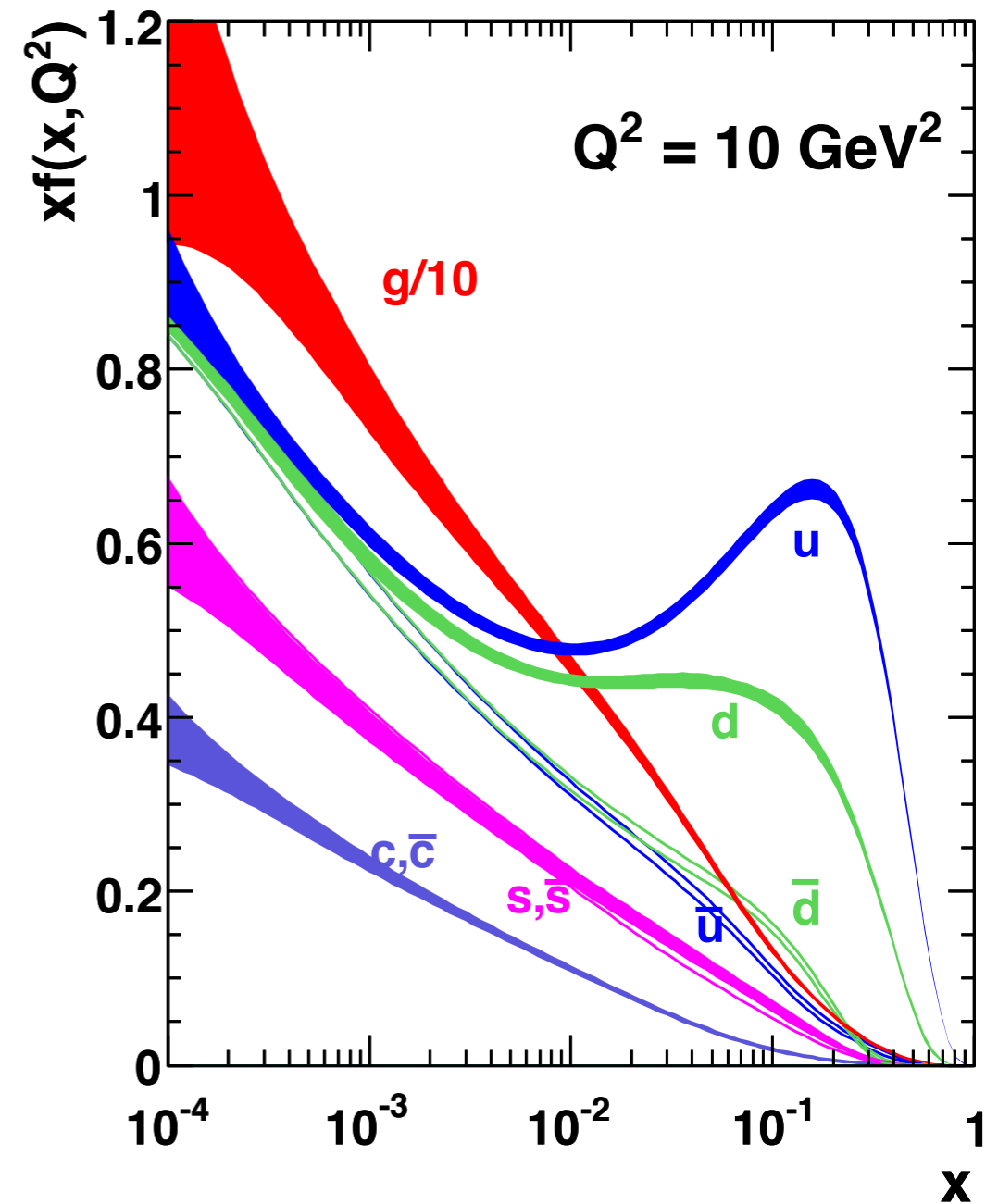
- Deep inelastic scattering experiments probe parton distribution functions $q_H(x)$
- Probability of finding a parton (q,g) in hadron h carrying longitudinal momentum fraction x

- Operator product expansion: Mellin moments of PDFs defined by forward matrix elements of local operators

$$\langle x^n \rangle_H = \int_{-1}^1 dx x^n q_H(x)$$

$$\langle H | \bar{\psi} \gamma^{\{\mu_0} D^{\mu_1} \dots D^{\mu_n\}} | H \rangle = p^{\{\mu_0} \dots p^{\mu_n\}} \langle x^n \rangle_H$$

- $n=1$ corresponds to LC momentum fraction carried by quarks inside H
- Phenomenologically find DIS on nuclei



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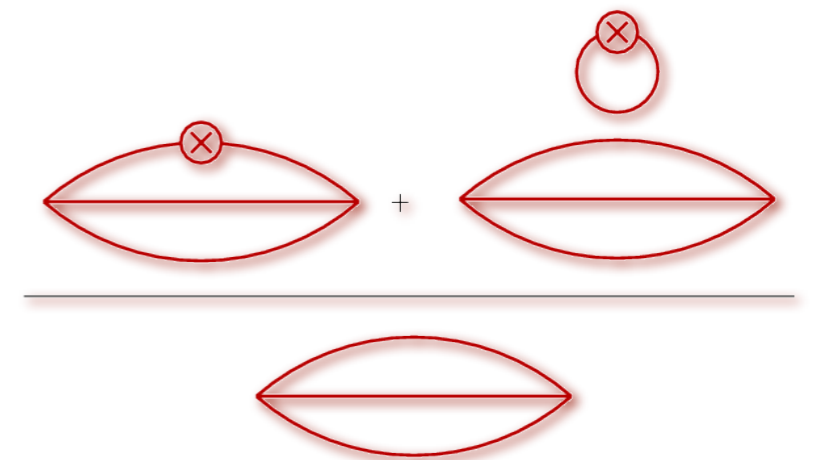
- Proton structure intensively studied in QCD using 3-pt functions (see James Zanotti's lectures next week)

$$C_2(t, \mathbf{p}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \langle 0 | \chi_H(0) \chi_H^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, t) | 0 \rangle$$

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$$R = \frac{C_3(t, \mathbf{p})}{C_2(t, \mathbf{p})} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} \langle H | \mathcal{O} | H \rangle$$

- Limited to low moments by reduced lattice symmetry
- Most studies for nucleon, but also pion, rho, ...
- Disconnected term often neglected (absent for isovector quantities)
- *What about multi-baryon structure (EMC effect)?*



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[WD & H-W Lin, in progress]

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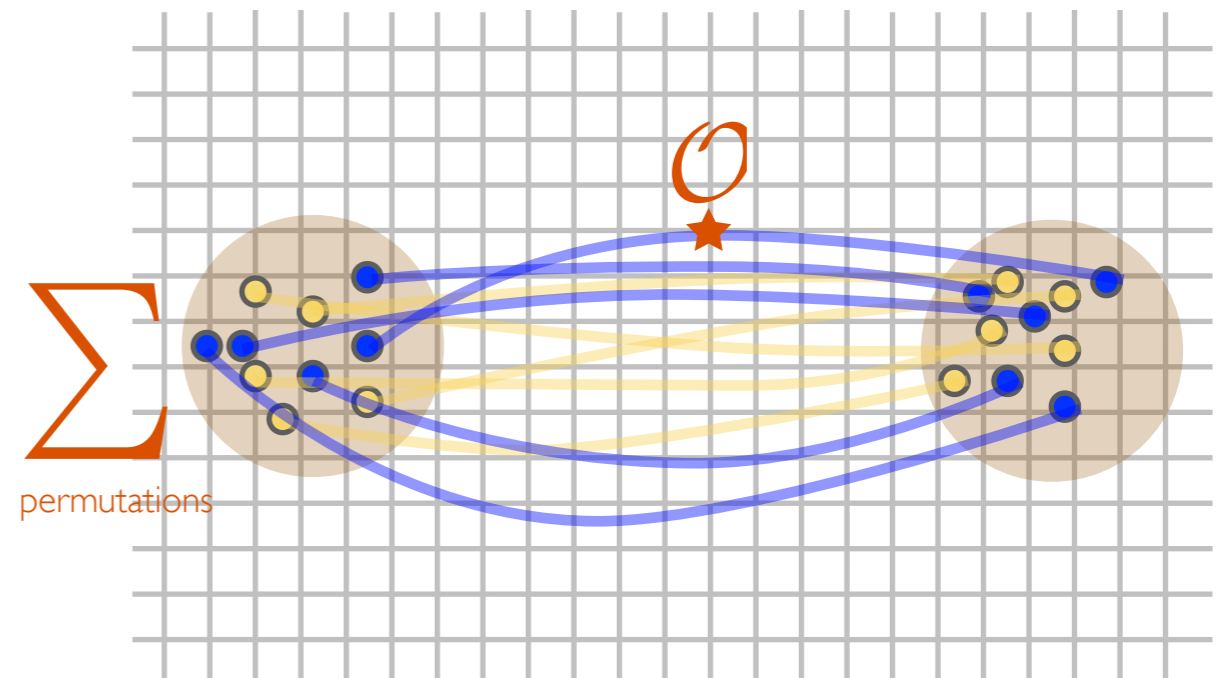
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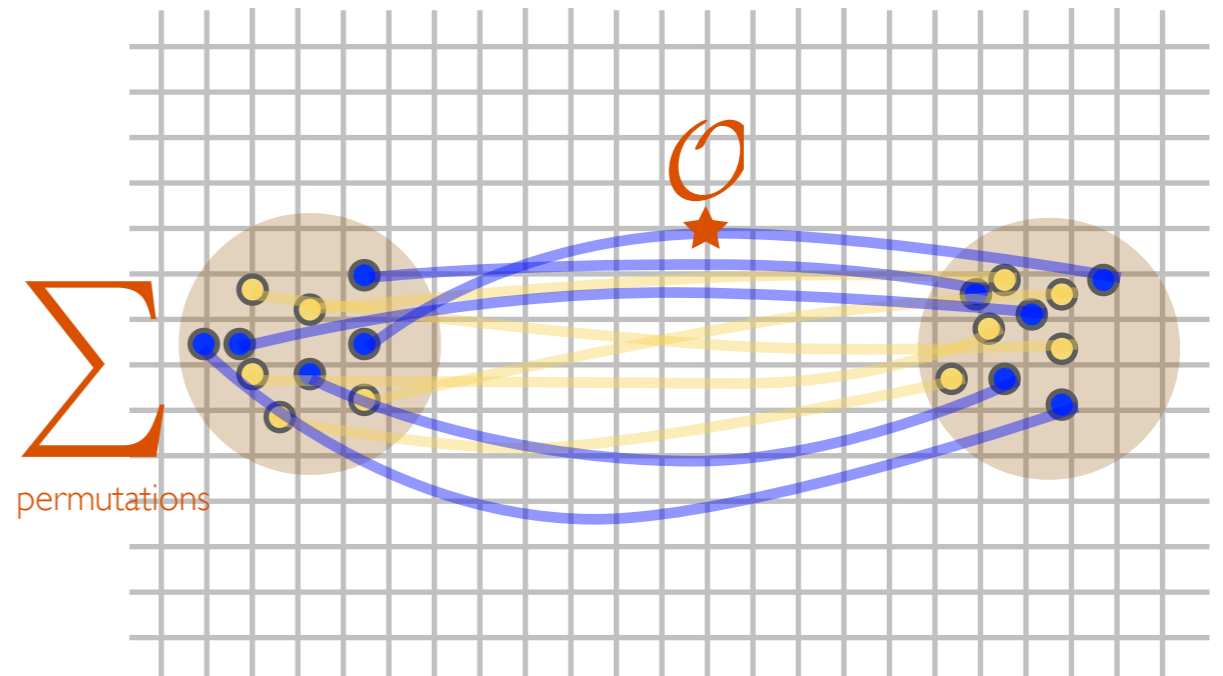
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where $\langle \mathcal{O}_m^{(n)} \rangle = \langle m\pi | \mathcal{J}^{(n)} | m\pi \rangle$



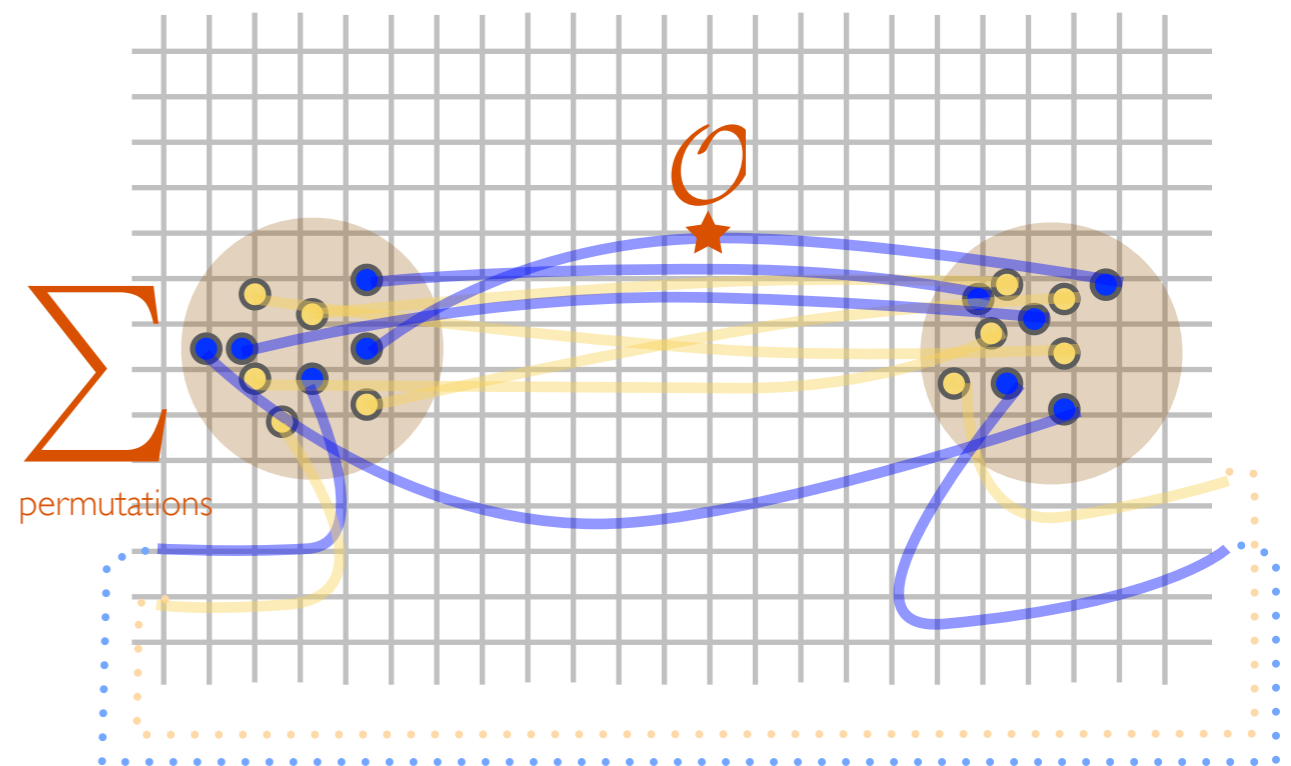
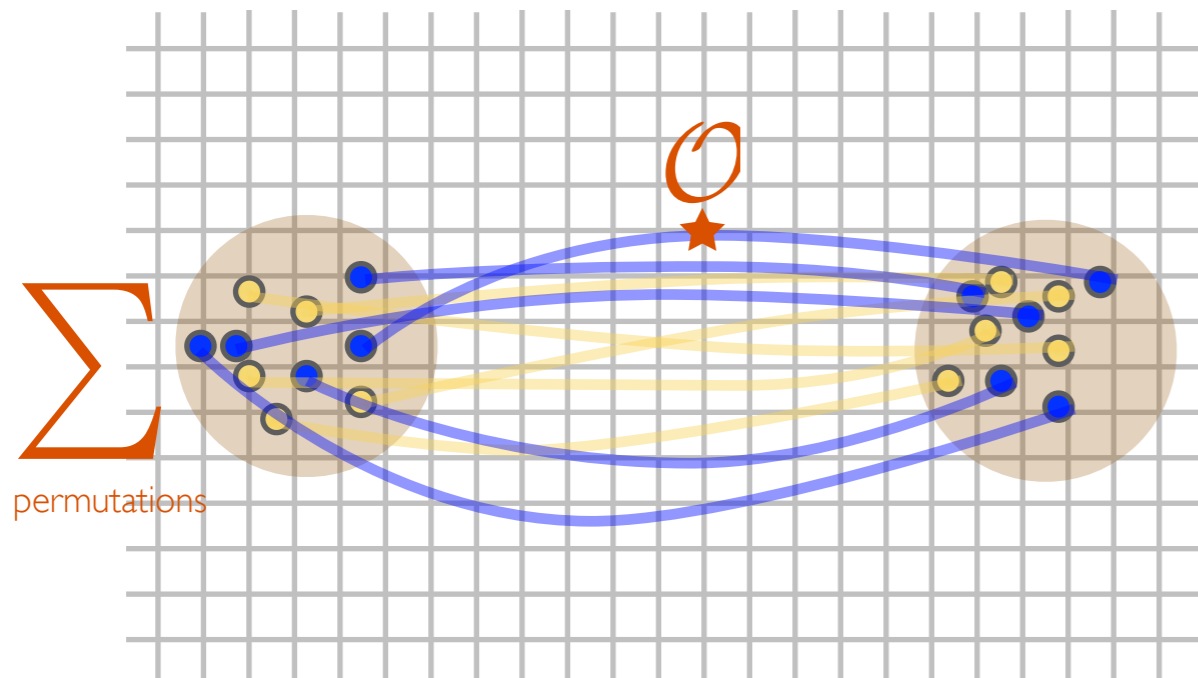
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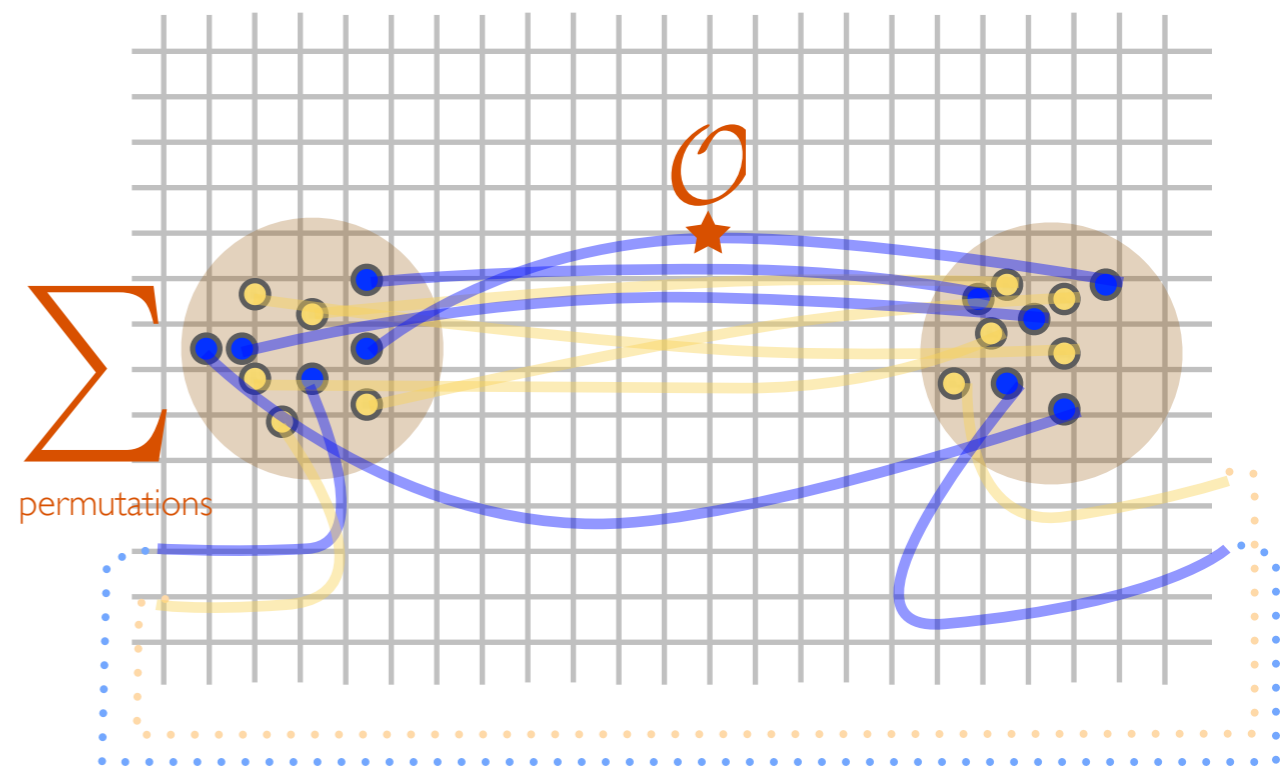
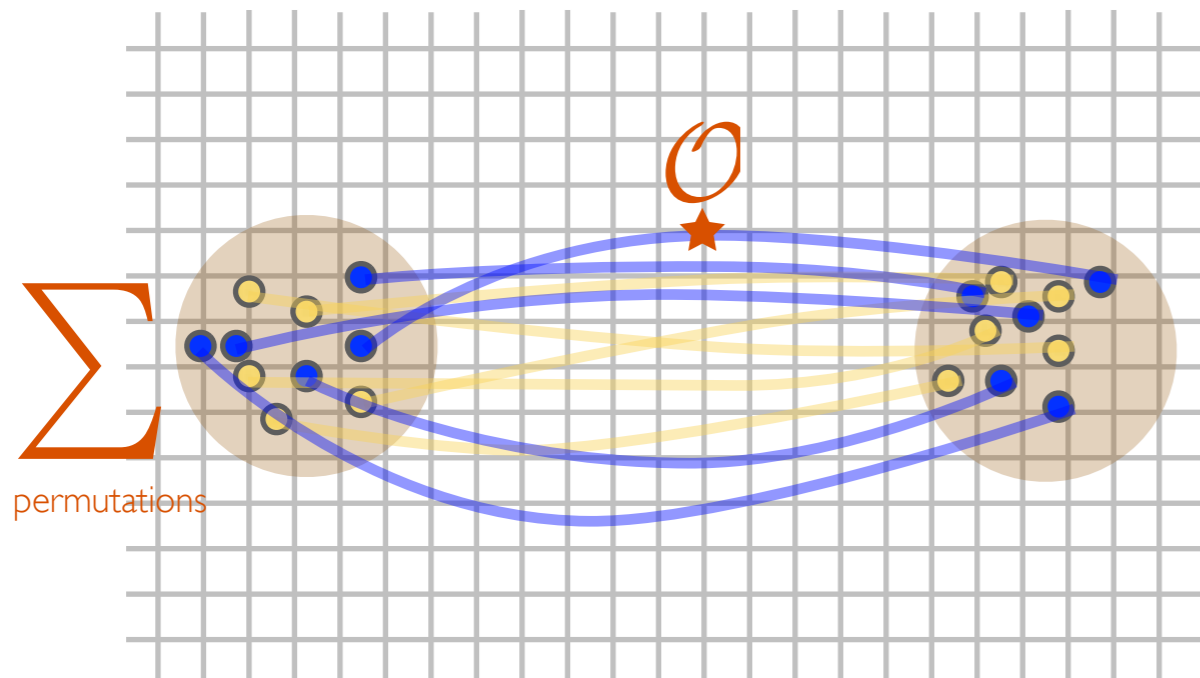
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Backwards propagator contamination

- Thermal contamination gets very bad near the midpoint of the temporal extent
- Fraction of non-thermal contributions to 2pt correlator ($T=64$ here)

$$\begin{aligned} m_\pi T &= 11.6 \\ m_\pi &= 290 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m_\pi T &= 19.9 \\ m_\pi &= 590 \text{ MeV} \end{aligned}$$

- Trying to measure three point function at $t > T/4$ is problematic – nothing to do with physically relevant state

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- Contractions performed by treating the struck meson as a separate species

$$\Pi = \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \gamma_5 S(\mathbf{x}, t; 0) \gamma_5 S^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, t; 0), \quad \tilde{\Pi}_\tau =_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \gamma_5 S(\mathbf{x}, t; \mathbf{y}, \tau) \Gamma_{\mathcal{O}} S(\mathbf{y}, \tau; 0) \gamma_5 S^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, t; 0)$$

Colour/Dirac structure of operator

- System now looks like $(m-1)$ pions + 1 “kaon”
- Can be written as products of traces of two matrices
[WD & B Smigielski, arXiv:1103.4362]

Double ratio

- Define ratio to extract matrix elements (eg for momentum fraction)

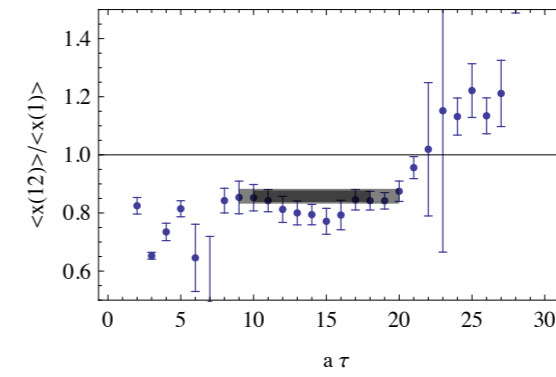
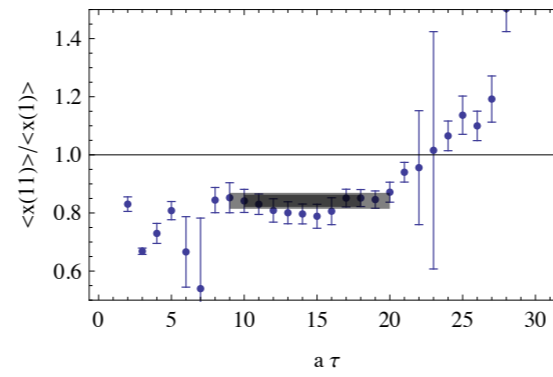
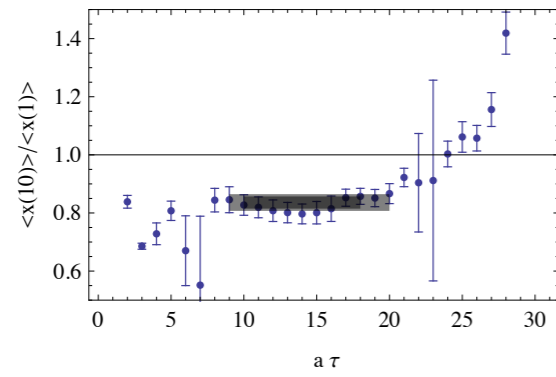
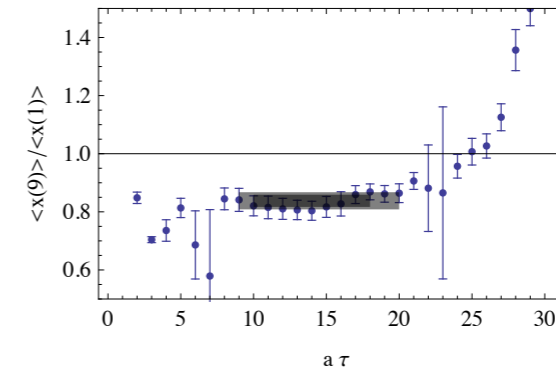
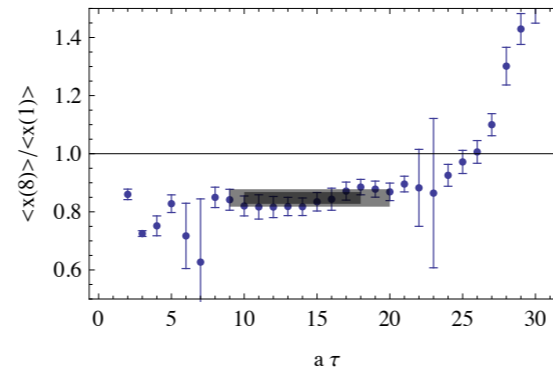
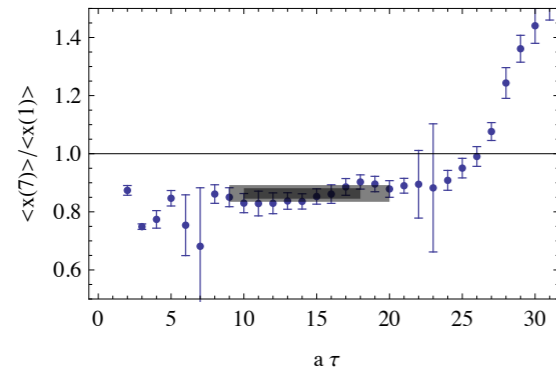
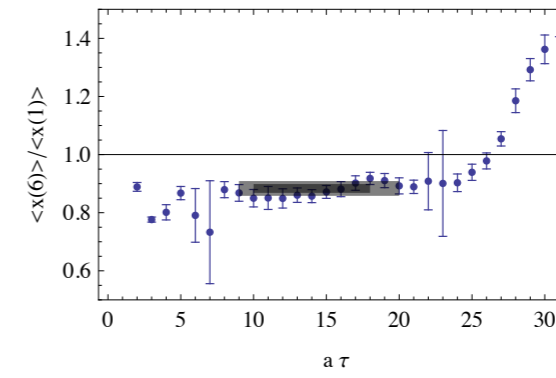
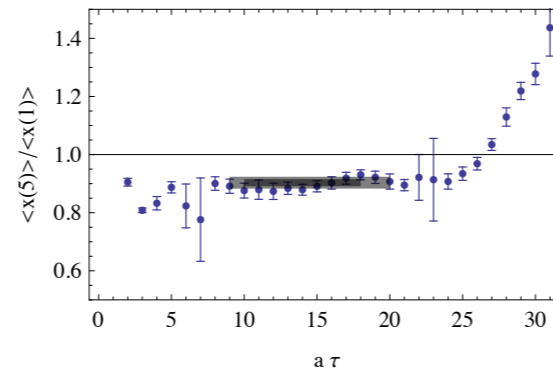
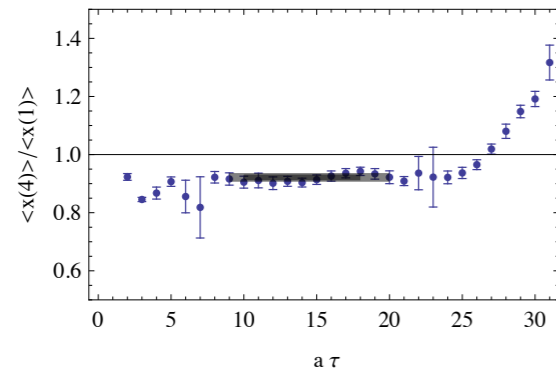
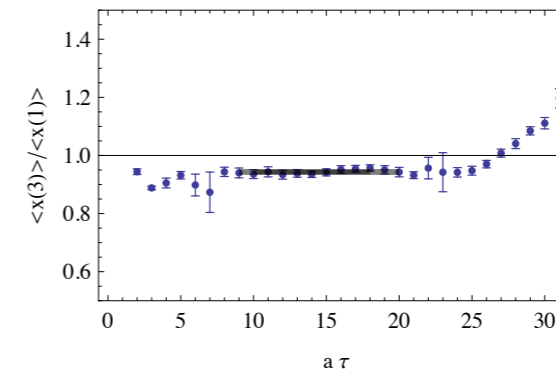
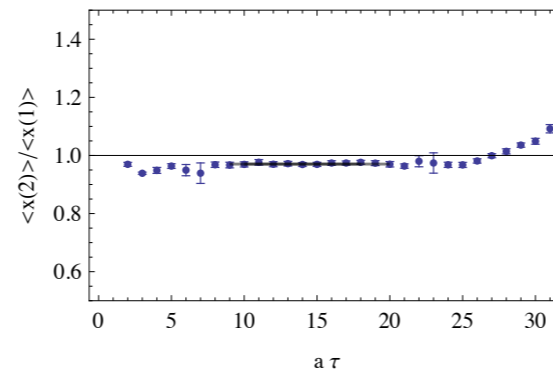
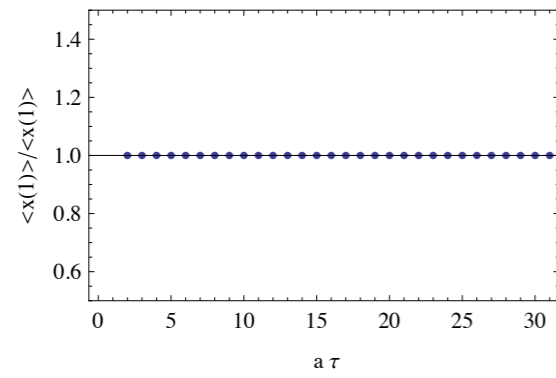
$$R^{(n)}(t, \tau) = \frac{C_3^{(n)}(t; \tau)}{C_2^{(n)}(t)} \xrightarrow{t \gg \tau} \frac{1}{E_{n\pi}} \langle n \pi^+ | \mathcal{O}^{44} | n \pi^+ \rangle$$

- Double ratio – allows direct investigation of ratio of moments

$$\frac{R^{(n)}(t, \tau)}{R^{(1)}(t, \tau)} \longrightarrow \frac{m_\pi \langle n \pi^+ | \mathcal{O}^{44} | n \pi^+ \rangle}{E_{n\pi} \langle \pi^+ | \mathcal{O}^{44} | \pi^+ \rangle} \longrightarrow \frac{E_{n\pi} \langle x \rangle_{n\pi^+}}{m_\pi \langle x \rangle_{\pi^+}}$$

- No need to renormalise operator!
- Calculate ratios for various quark masses [DWF valence on MILC sea]

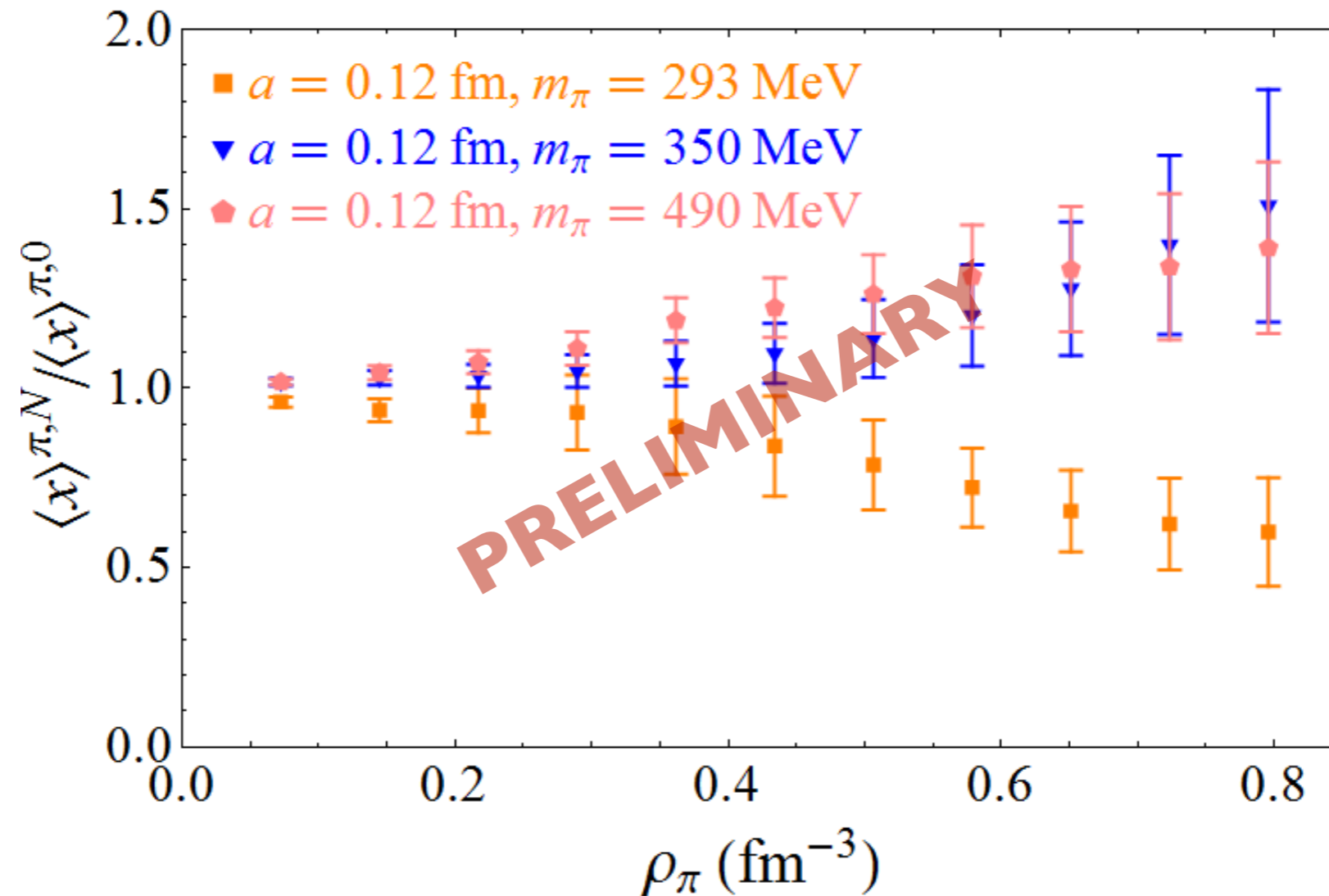
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DWF on MILC
 $m_\pi = 350$ MeV
 $a = 0.12$ fm, $20^3 \times 64$

Medium modification

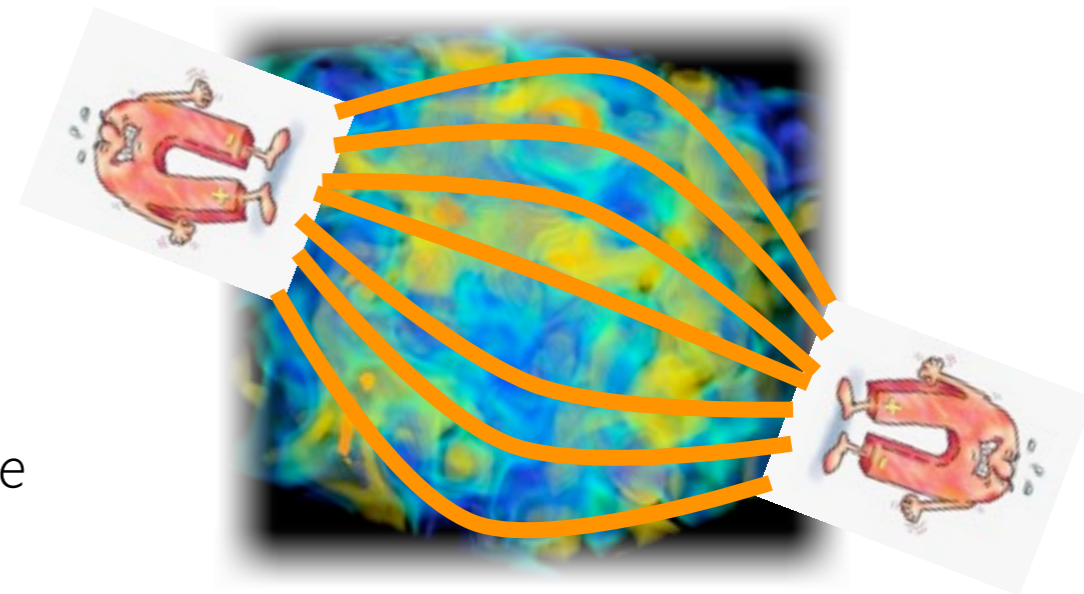
- Extracted ratio of moments is not unity – medium modification of pion structure



- Extension to baryons certainly possible but messier as usual!

Matrix elements in multi-hadron systems

- Many pion PDF moments are one example of matrix elements of multi-hadron systems
- Other theoretical investigations
 - WD & M Savage “*Electroweak matrix elements in the two nucleon sector from lattice QCD*” hep-lat/0403005
 - H Meyer, “*Photodisintegration of a Bound State on the Torus*“, I202.6675
 - V Bernard, D Hoya, U-G Meißner & A Rusetsky, “*Matrix elements of unstable particles*” I205.4642

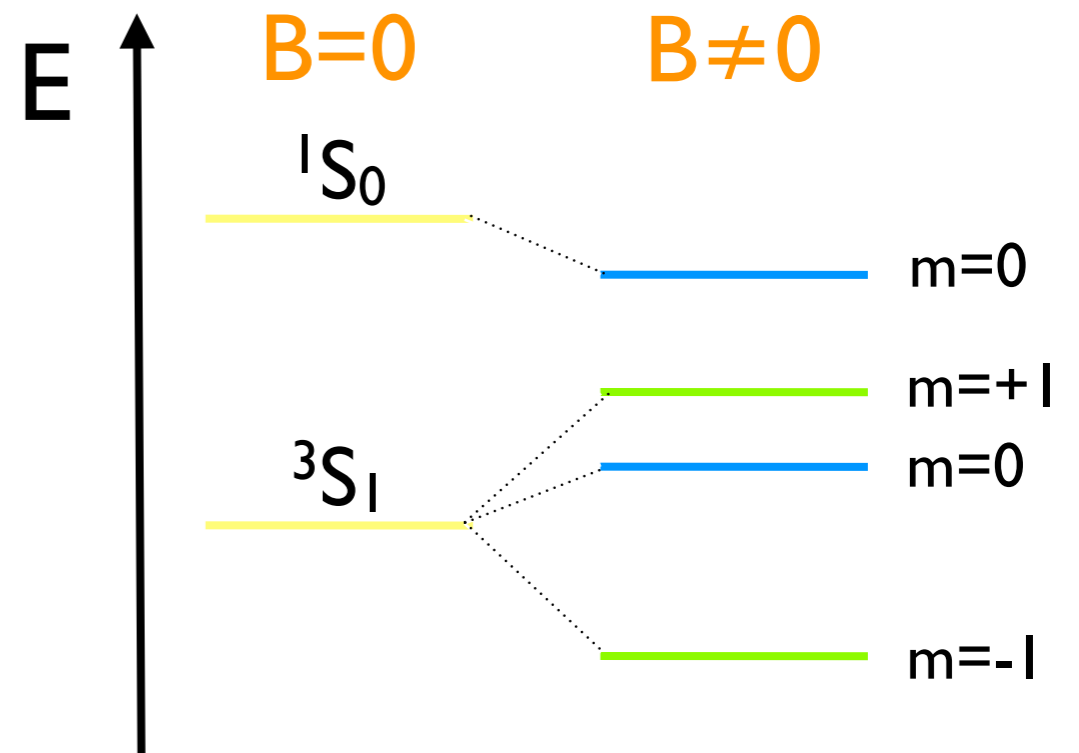


Background fields

- Consider QCD in the presence of a constant background magnetic field
- Implement by adding term to the action (careful with boundaries)
- Shifts spin-1/2 particle masses

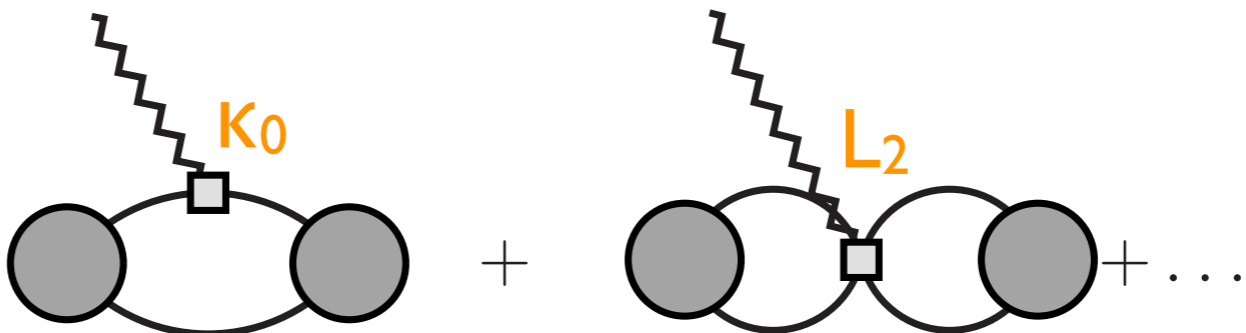
$$M_{\uparrow\downarrow} = M_0 \pm \mu|\mathbf{B}| + 4\pi\beta|\mathbf{B}|^2 + \dots$$

- Changing strength of background field allows μ, β to be extracted
- Two nucleon states
 - Levels split and mix
 - Landau levels:
- Similar for electro-weak fields and twist-two fields



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- Two-body contributions

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Energy levels in BF

- Background field modifies eigenvalue equation for $m=\pm 1$ states

$$p \cot \delta(p) - \frac{1}{\pi L} S \left(\frac{L^2}{4\pi^2} [p^2 \pm e|\mathbf{B}|\kappa_0] \right) \mp \frac{e|\mathbf{B}|}{2} (L_2 - r_3\kappa_0) = 0$$

- Asymptotic expansion of lowest scattering level

$$E_0^{m=\pm 1} = \mp \frac{e|\mathbf{B}|\kappa_0}{M} + \frac{4\pi A_3}{ML^3} \left[1 - c_1 \frac{A_3}{L} + c_2 \left(\frac{A_3}{L} \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

where $\frac{1}{A_3} = \frac{1}{a_3} \pm \frac{e|\mathbf{B}|L_2}{2}$

- Mixes 1S_0 and 3S_1 $m=0$ states (coupled channels – but perturbative)

$$\left[p \cot \delta_1(p) - \frac{S_+ + S_-}{\pi L} \right] \left[p \cot \delta_3(p) - \frac{S_+ + S_-}{\pi L} \right] = \left[\frac{e|\mathbf{B}|L_1}{2} + \frac{S_+ - S_-}{2\pi L} \right]^2$$

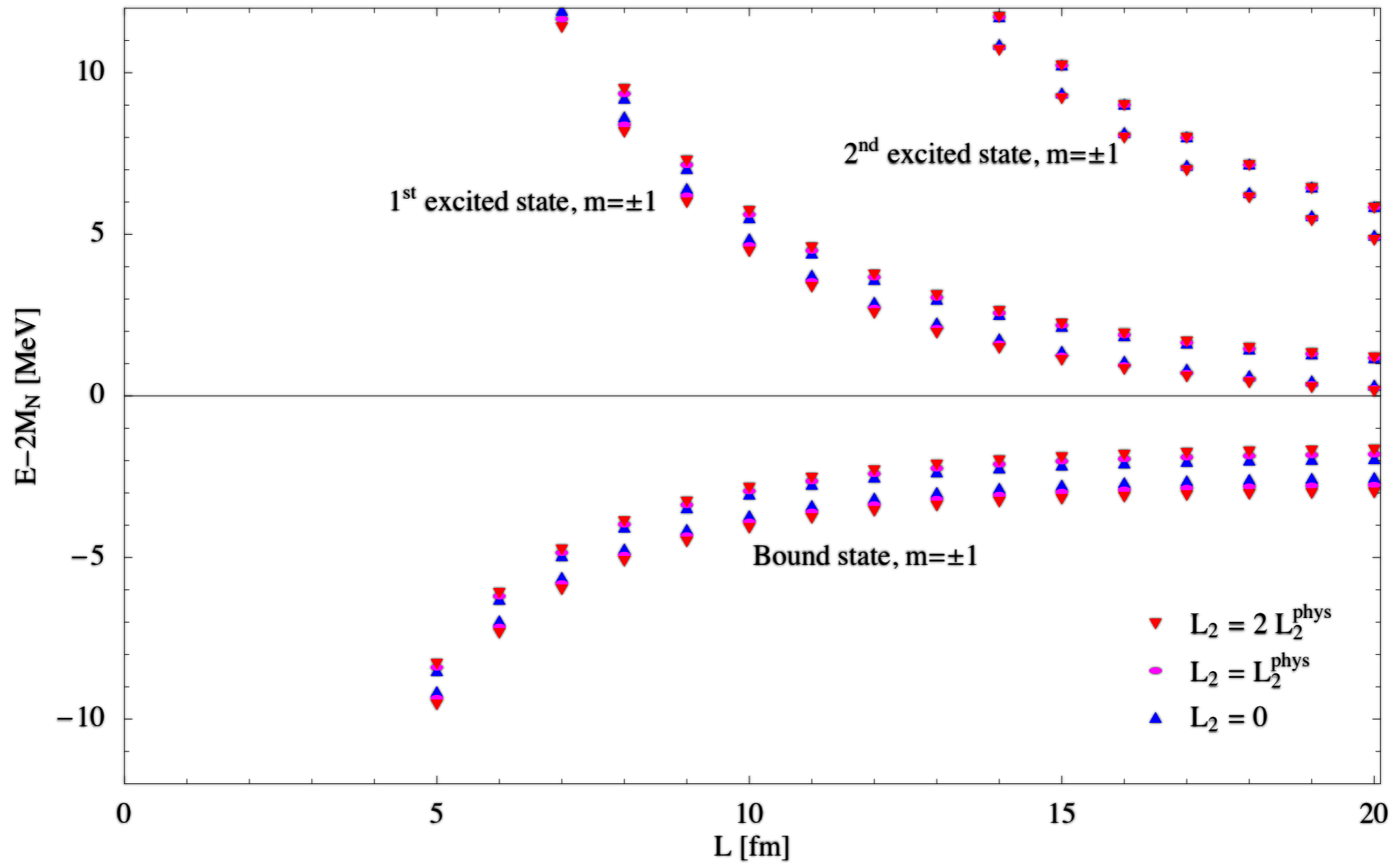
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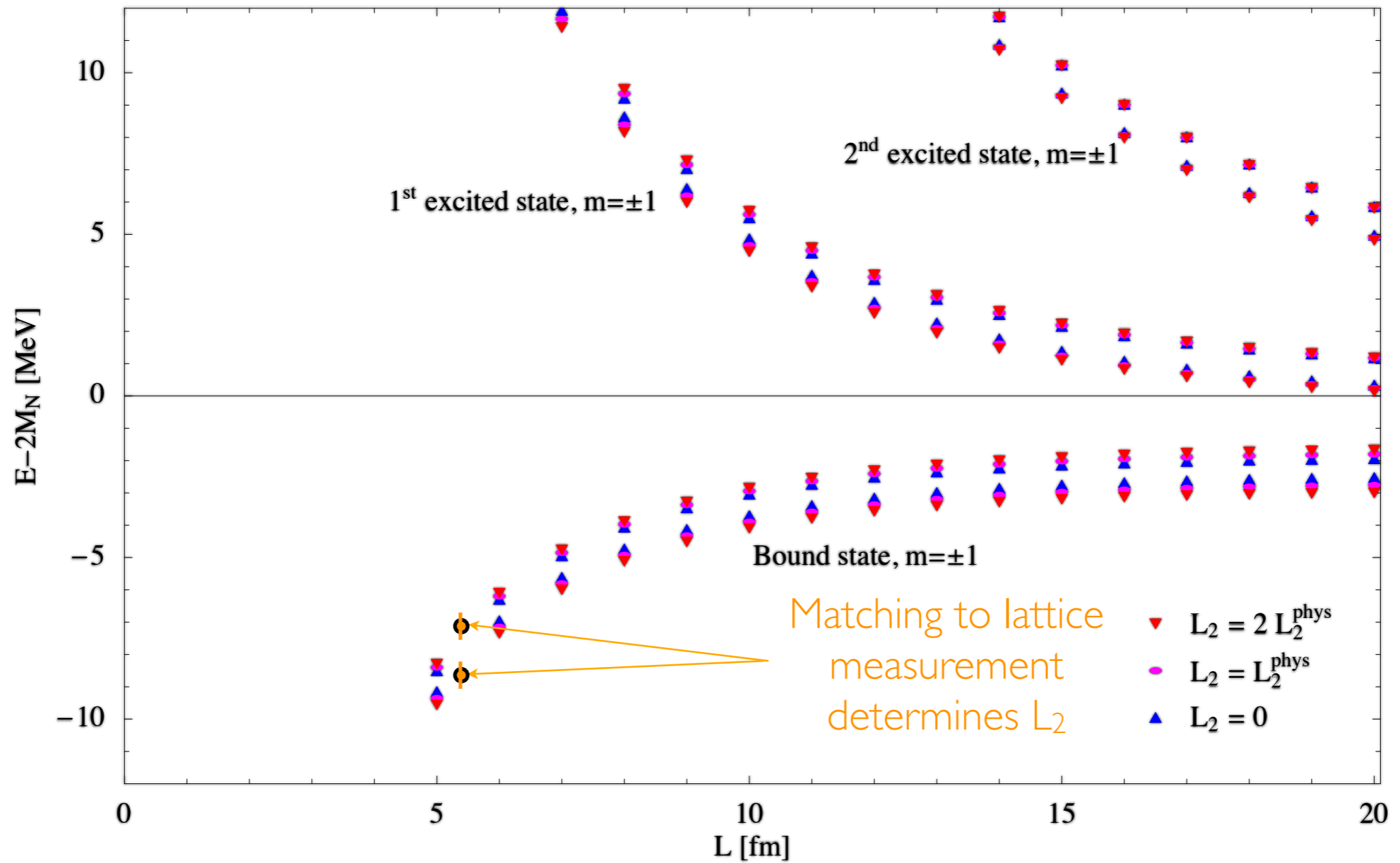
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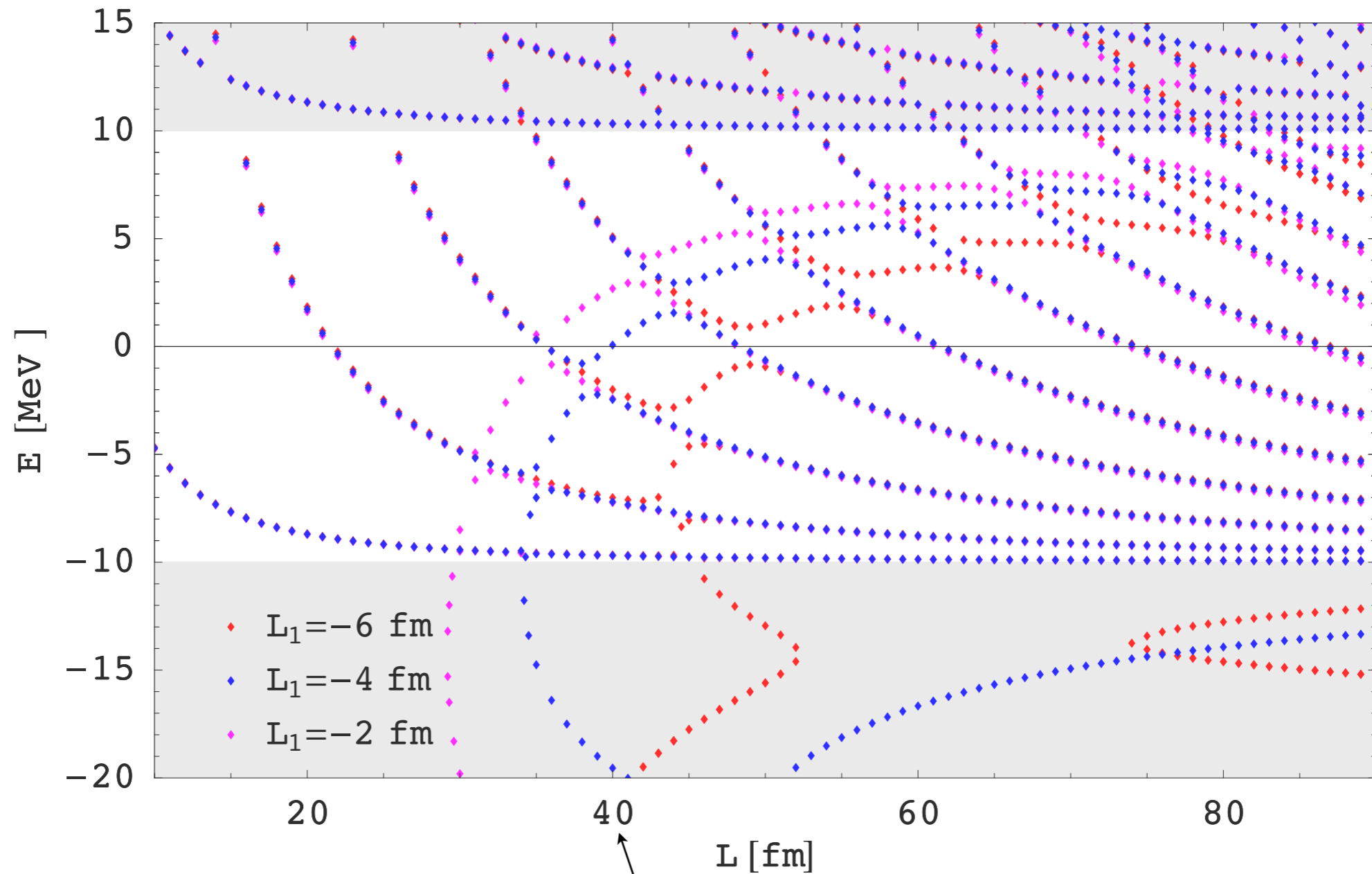
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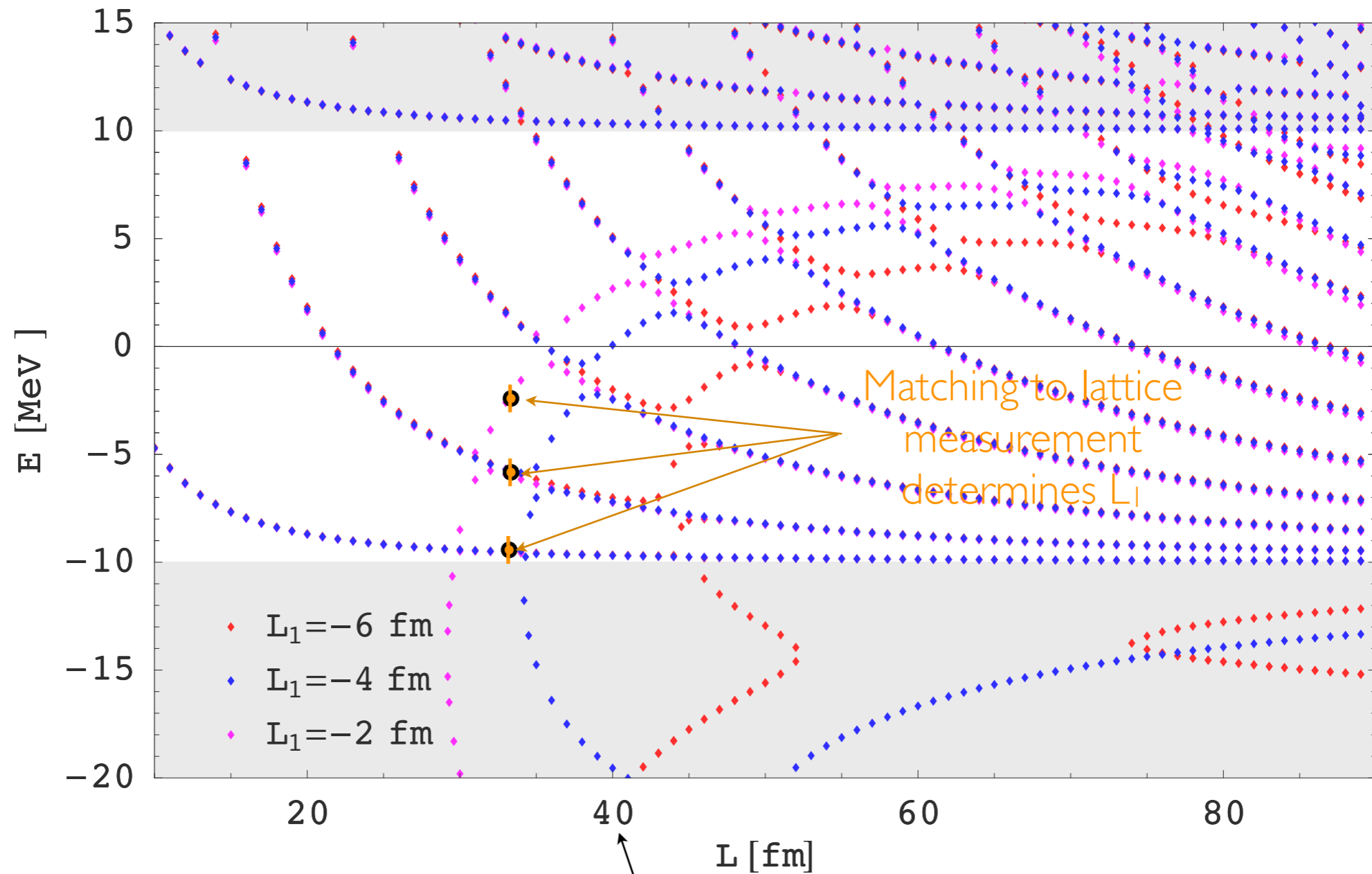
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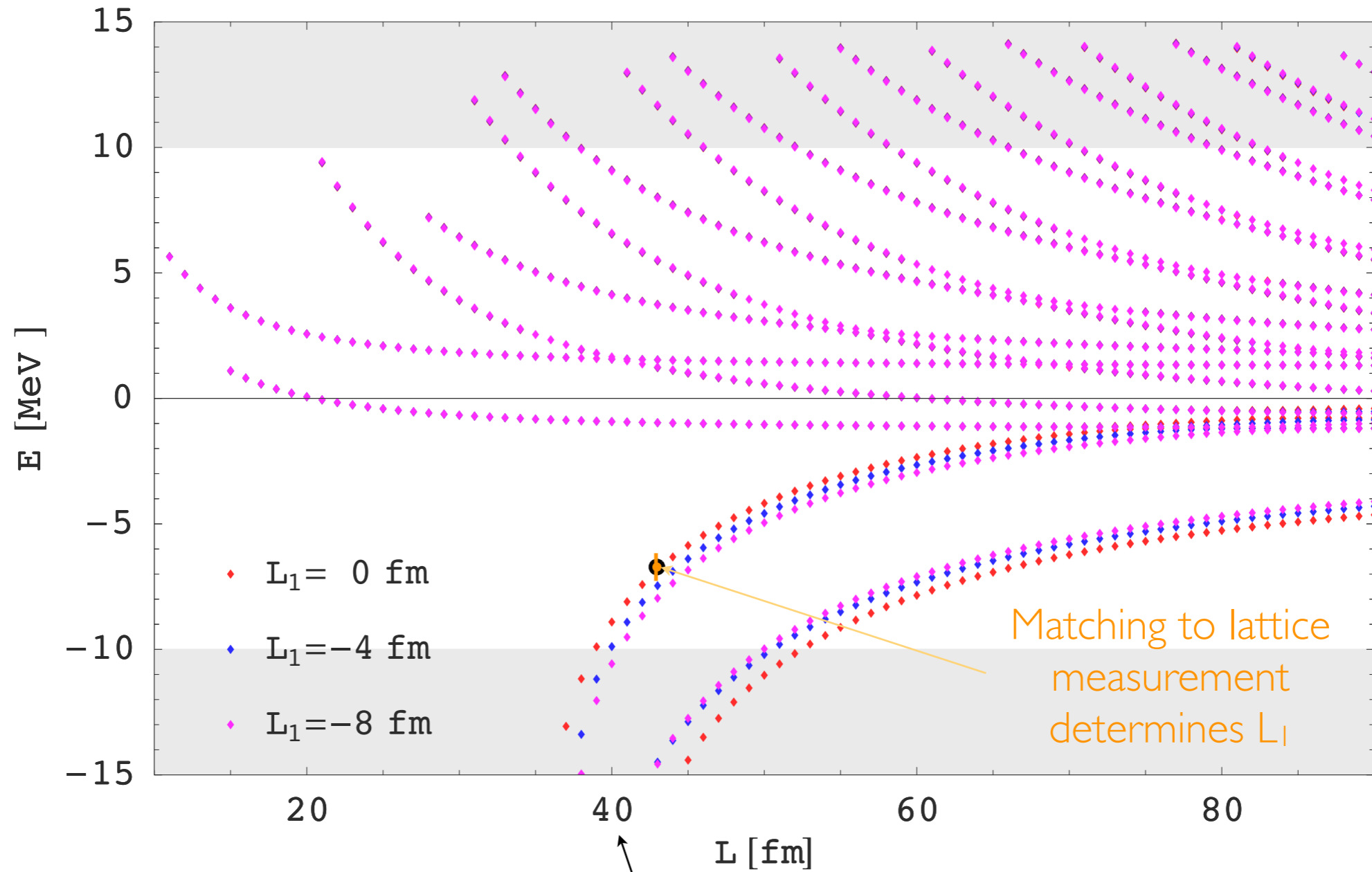
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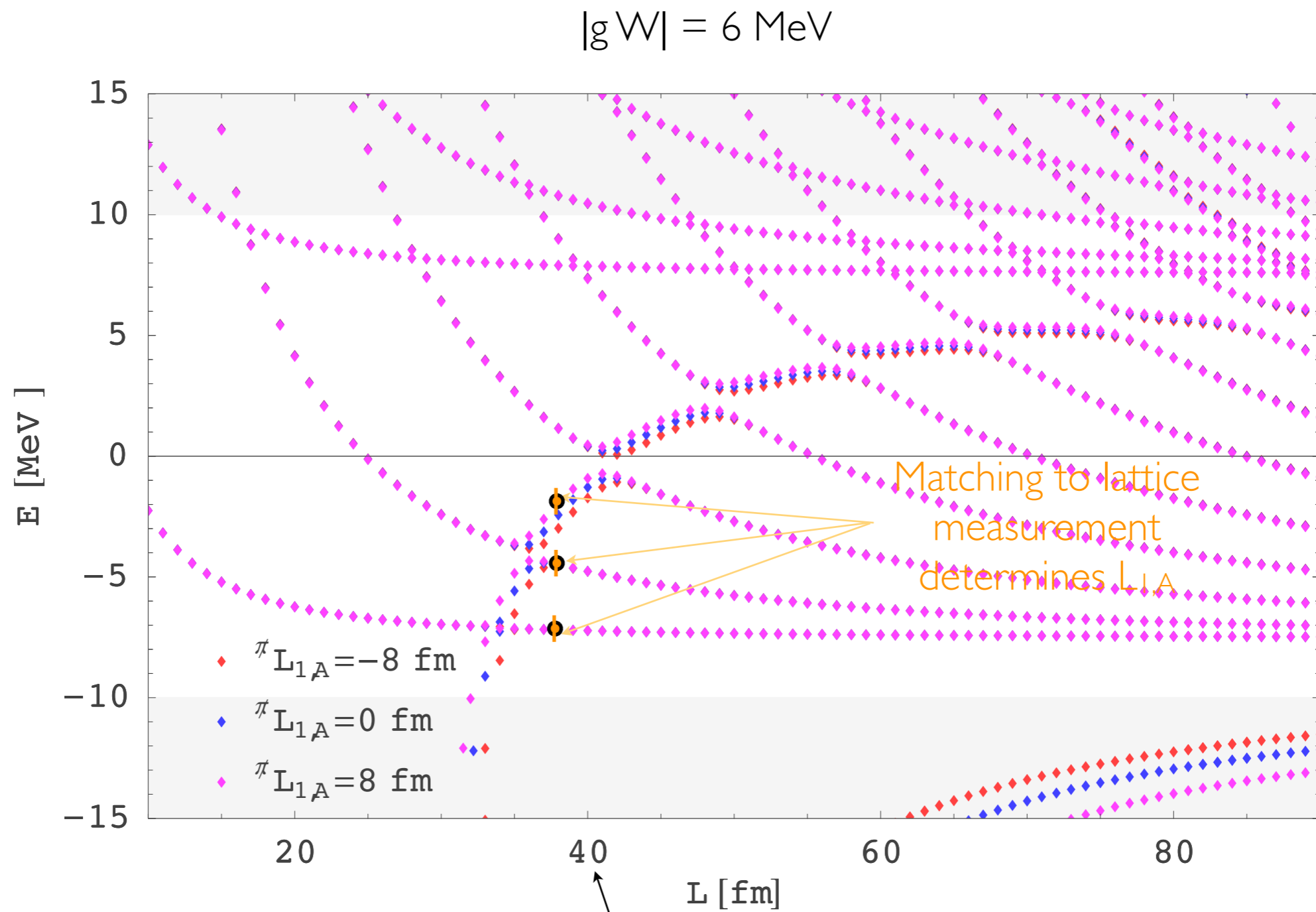
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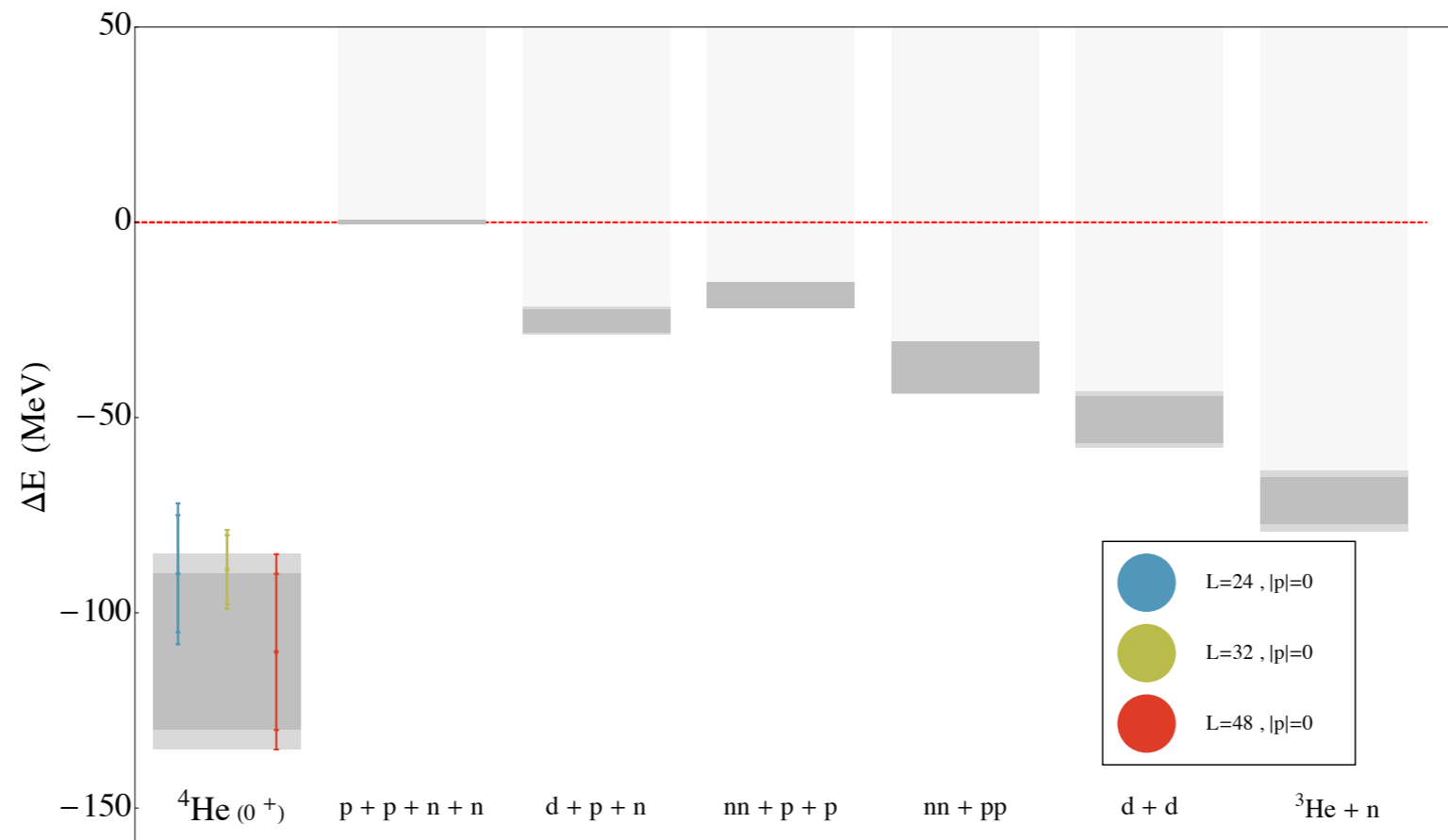
Open issues

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- Noise in QCD correlators is generically a problem – somehow related to the sign problem discussed in Gert Aarts' lectures
- There are hints that we can suppress noise for certain choices of correlation functions
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 - Can this be done for large A systems that we afford to perform contractions for?
- Are we measuring things the most sensible way?
- David K will say a lot more about noise on Friday

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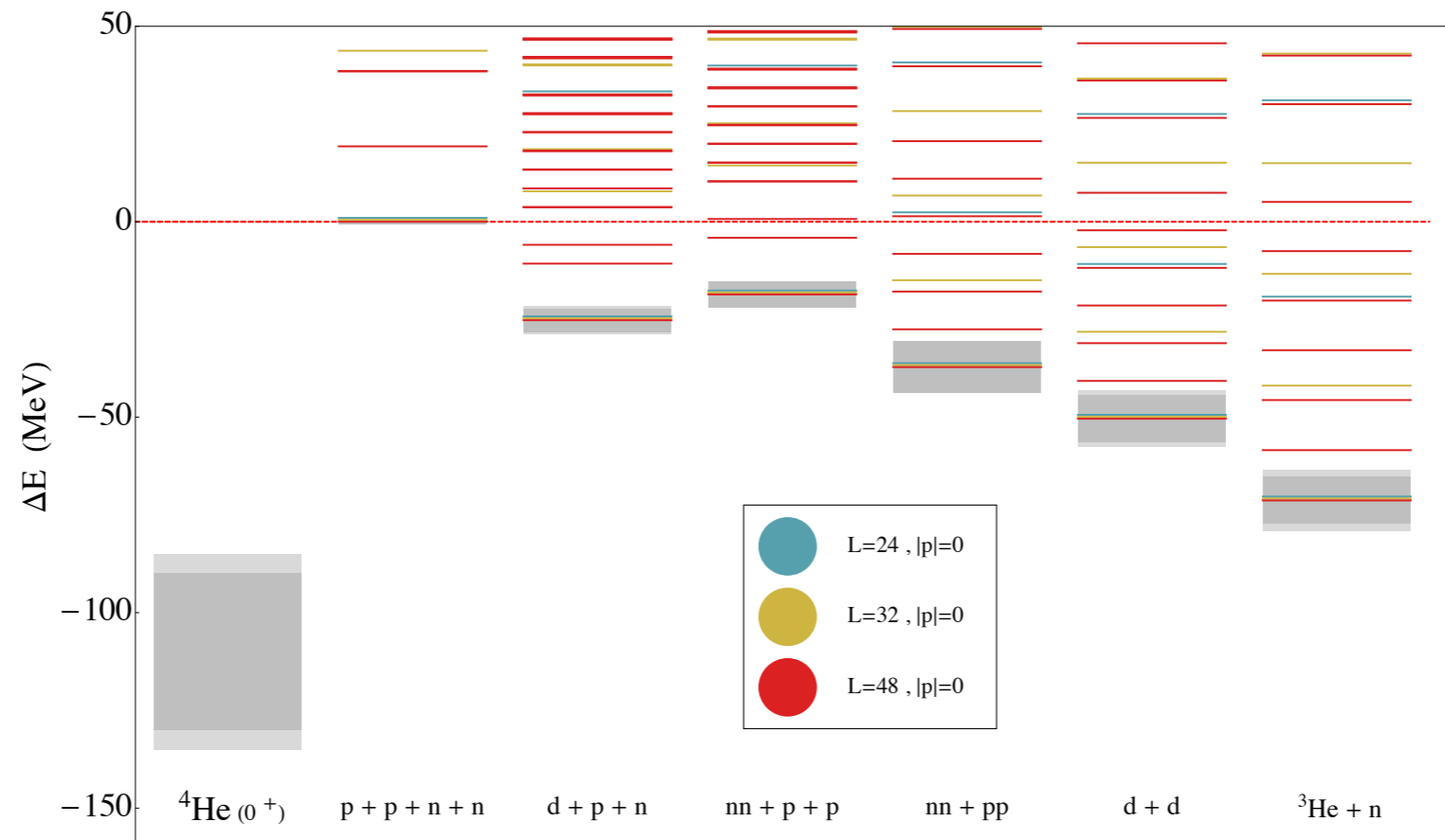
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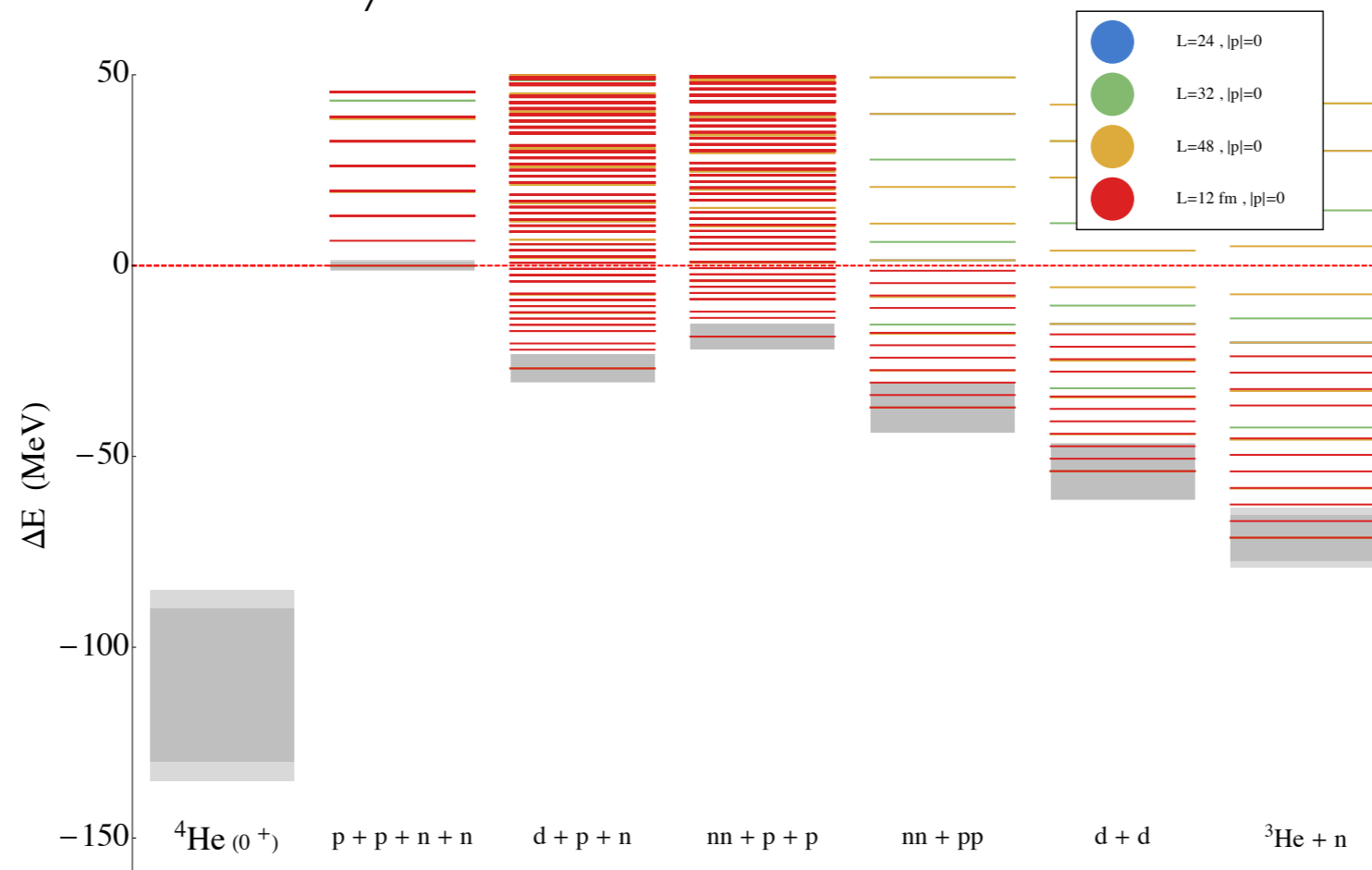
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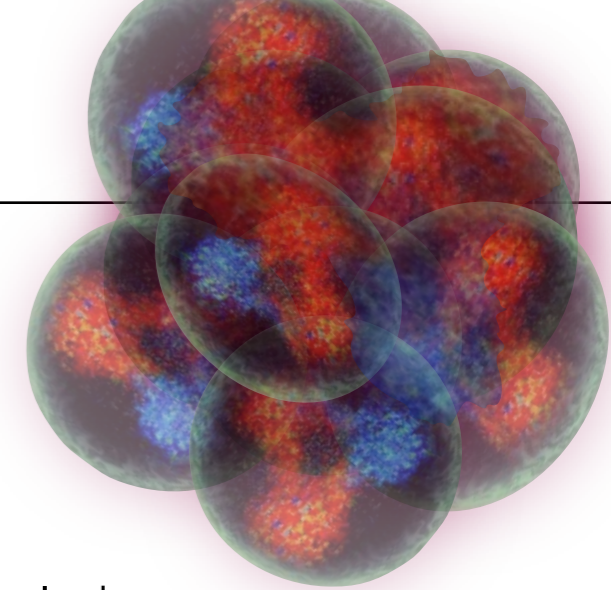


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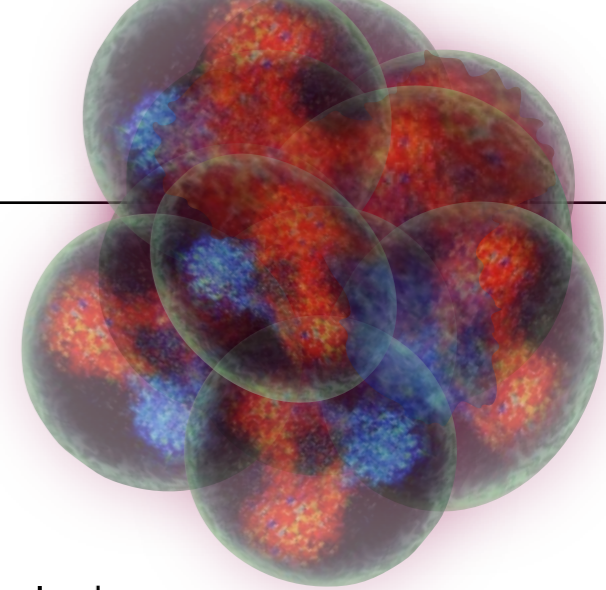
- For large A systems, how do we control the volume, lattice spacing, unphysical quark mass artefacts?
 - Maybe just empirically?
 - Can we have a better theoretical understanding?
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