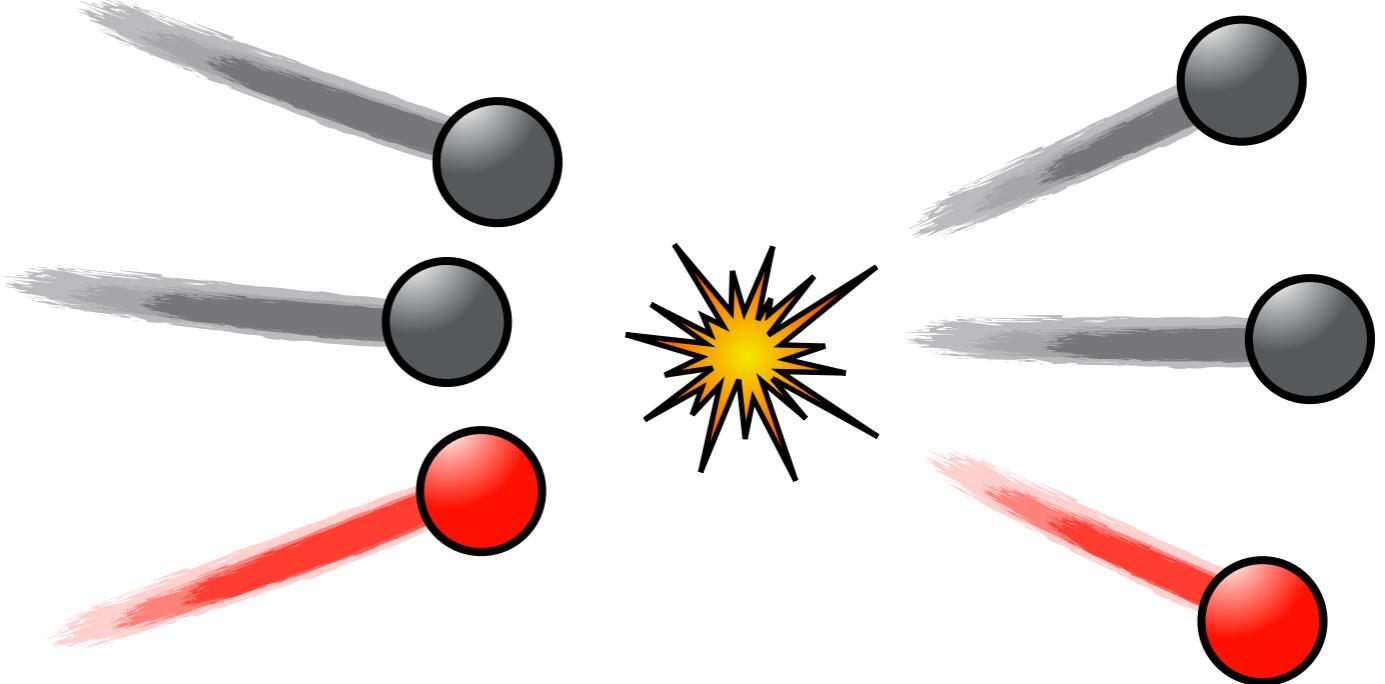


# Solving relativistic integral equations for three body systems

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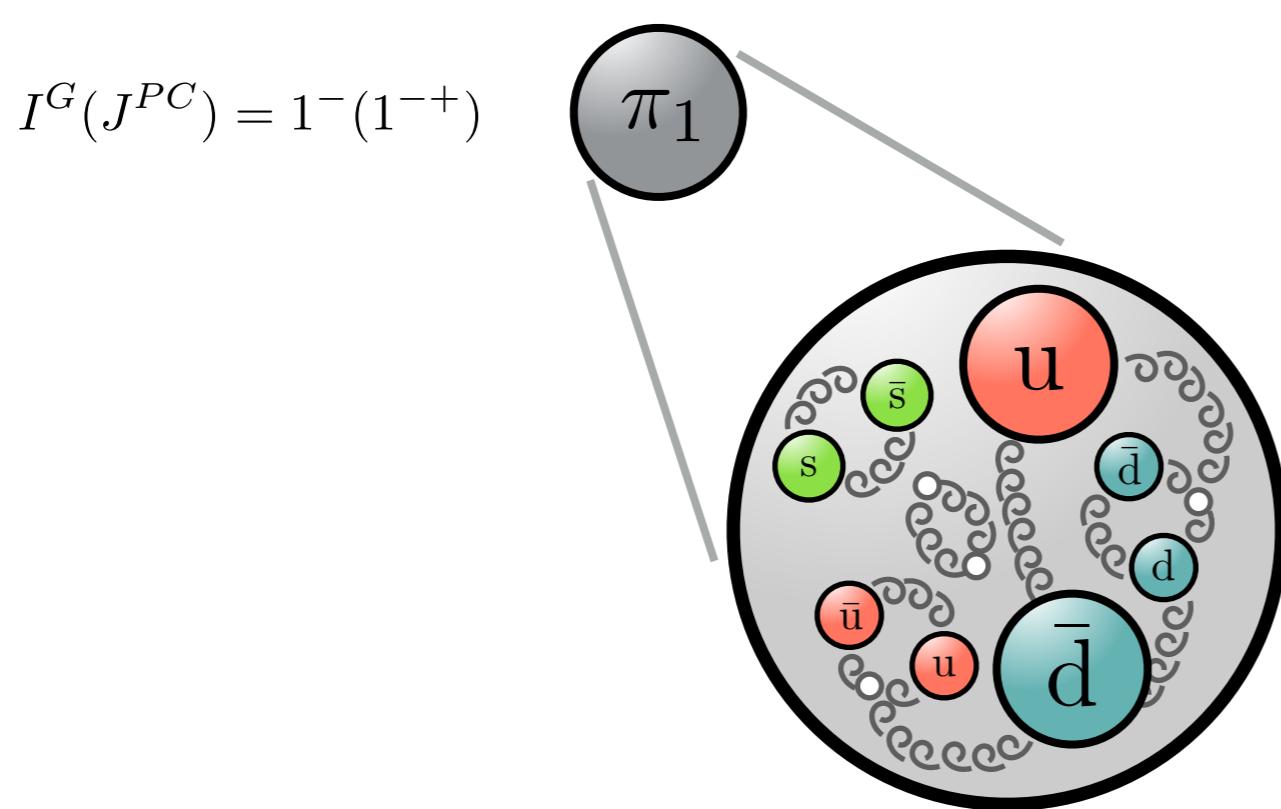
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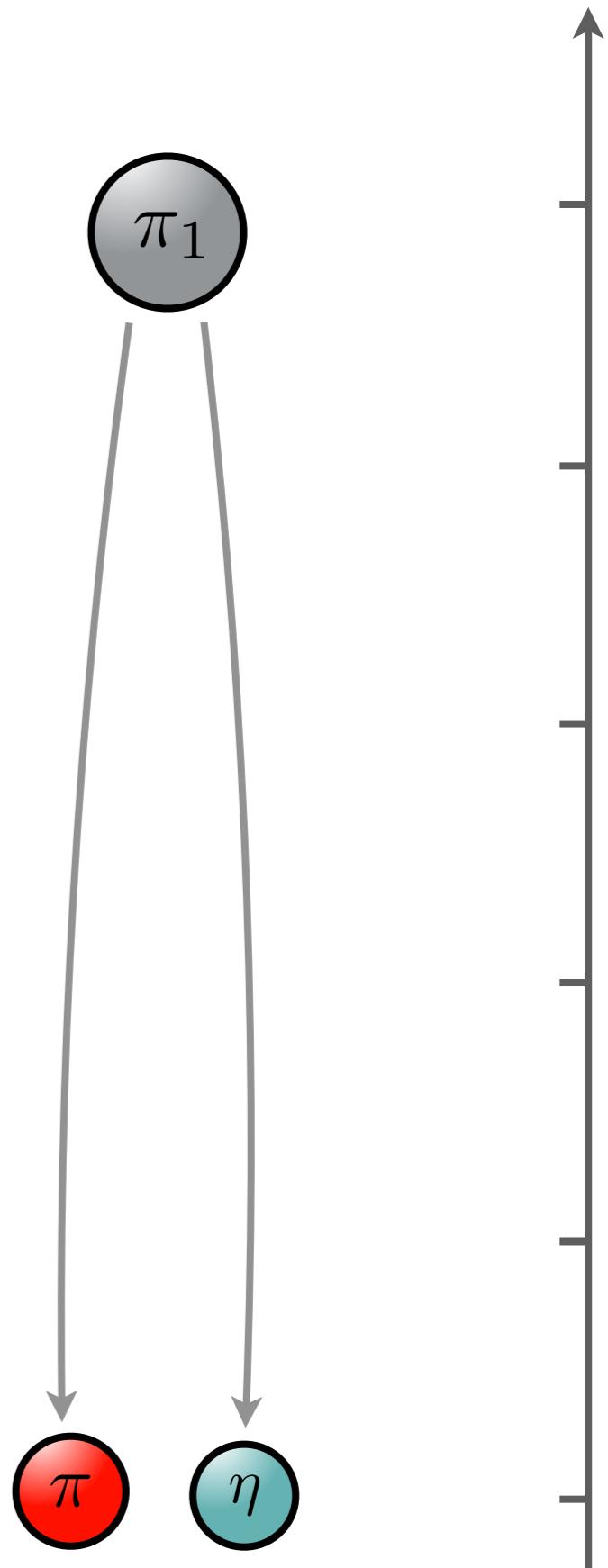
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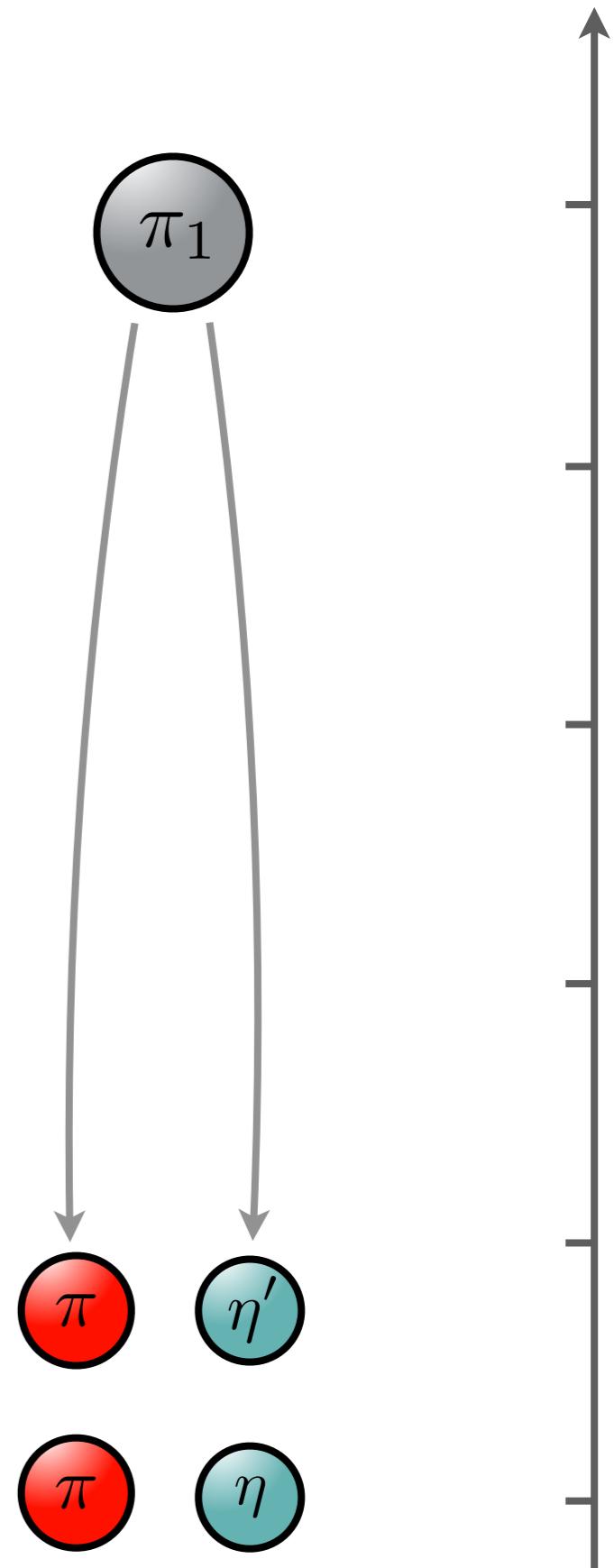
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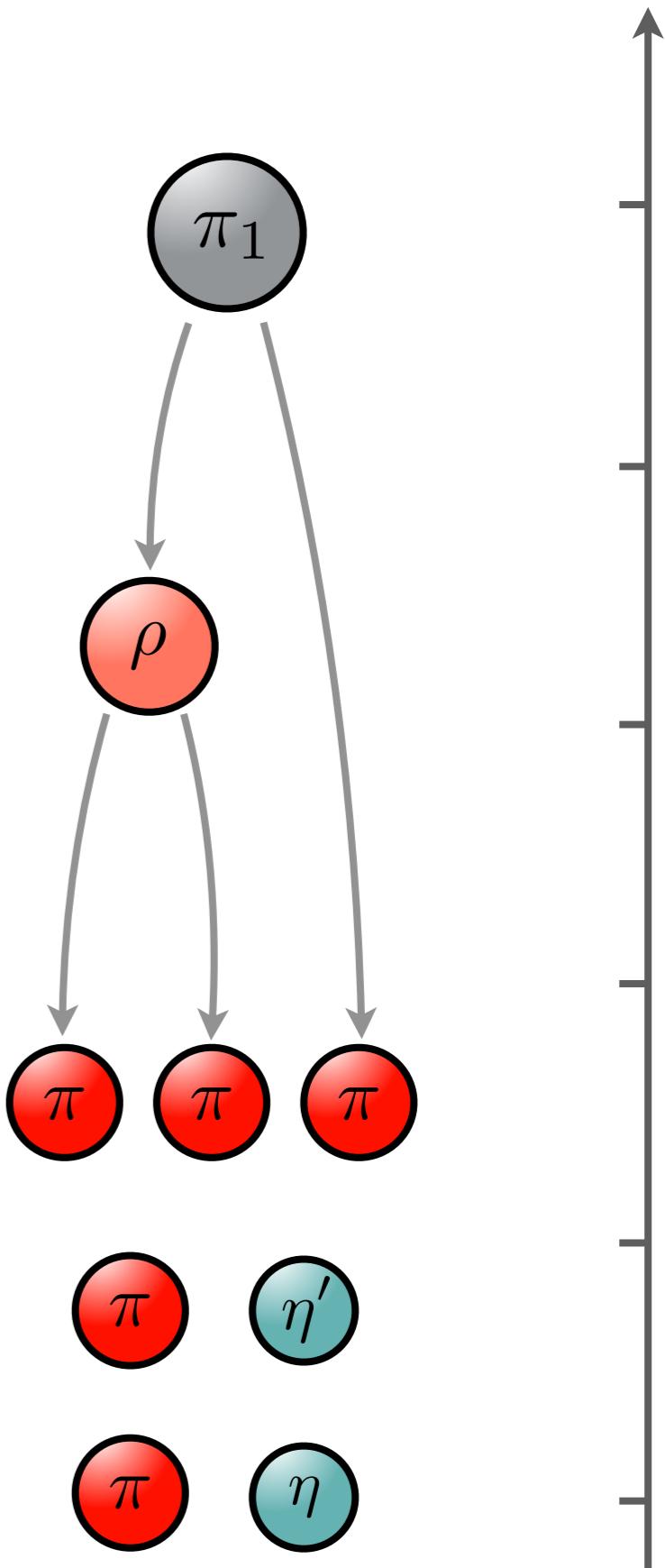
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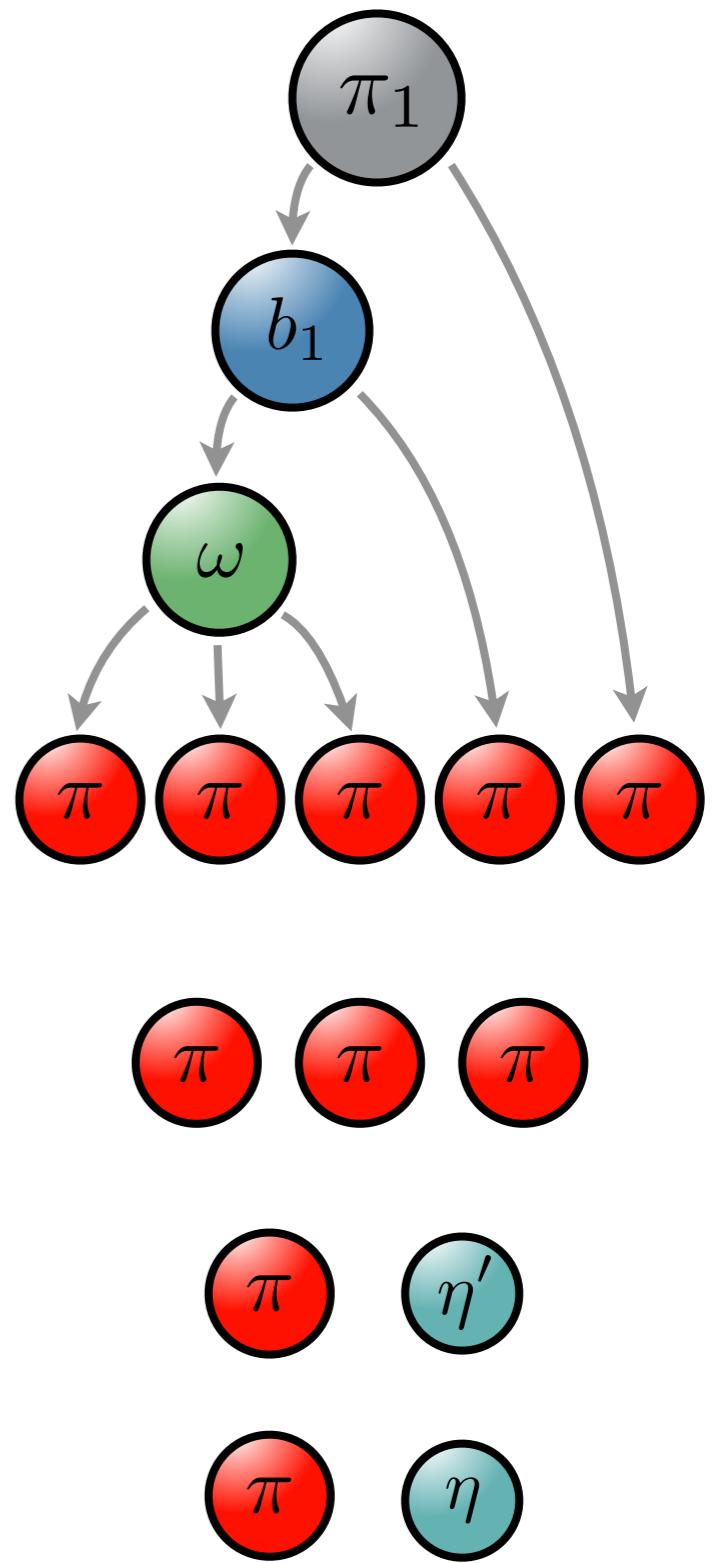
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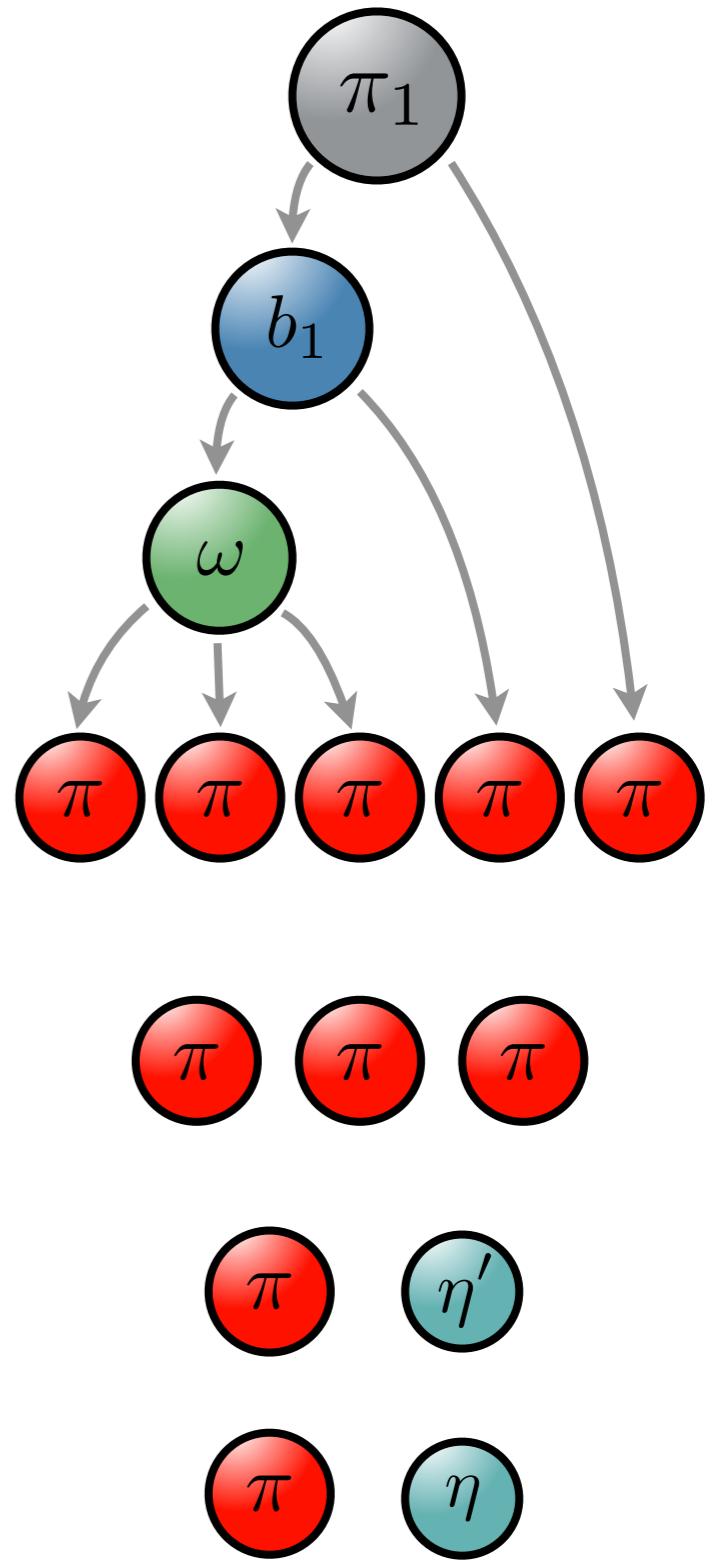
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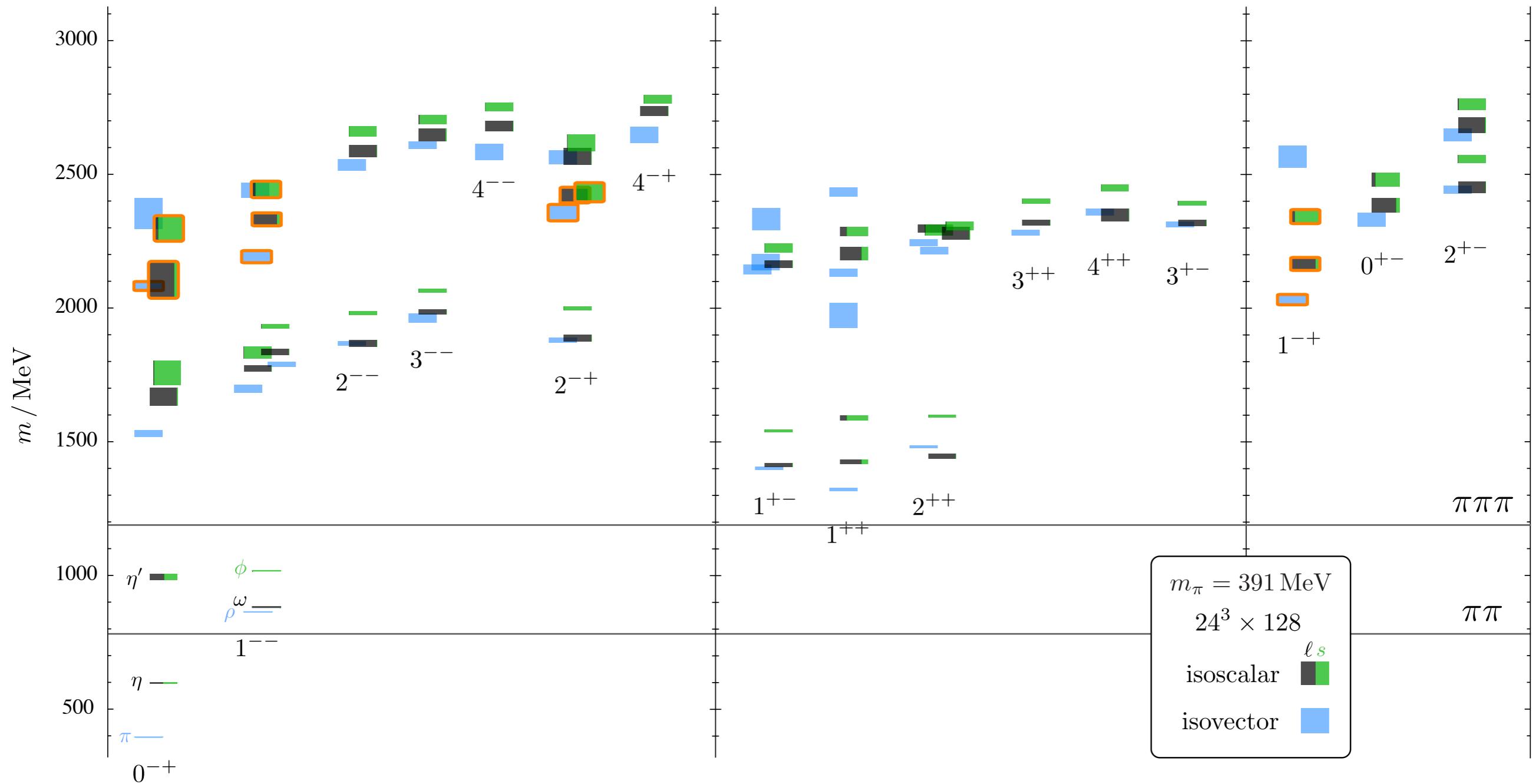
Multi-channel, multi-hadron scattering processes

# Three body problem in lattice QCD

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Focus on three body physics from lattice QCD perspective

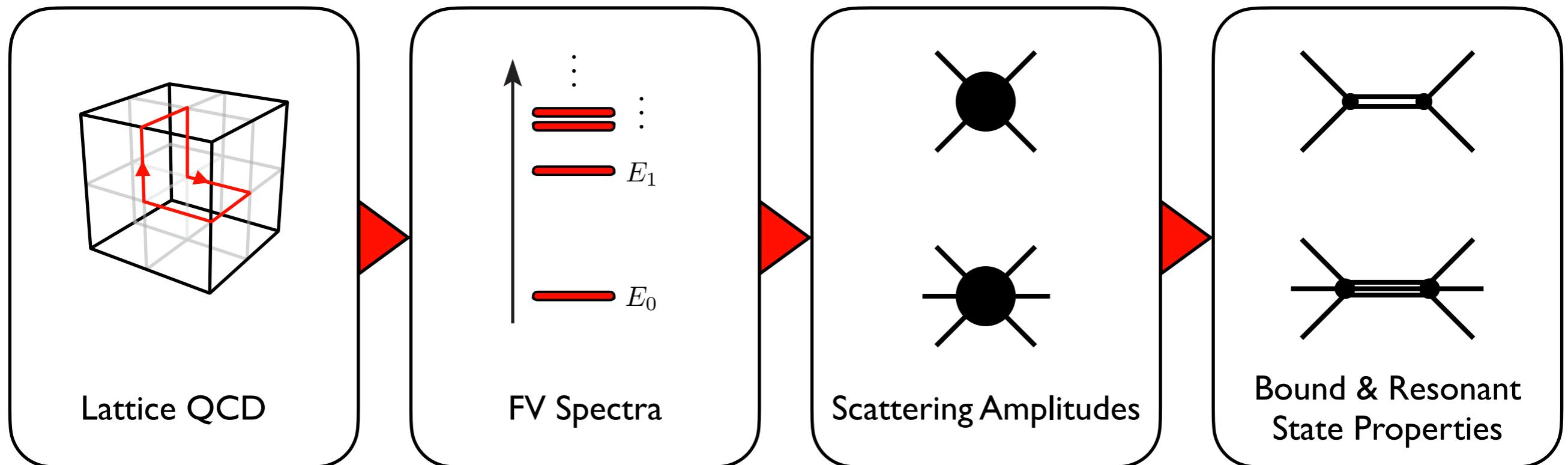
- Review formal aspects — Quantization conditions and integral equations
- Solving 2+1 scattering systems



# Path to hadronic properties from QCD

Lattice QCD offers a systematic avenue to compute multi-hadron amplitudes

- Follow Lüscher methodology — connect spectra to amplitudes
- Much success in 2-body sector    See talk by C.Thomas on Monday, August 17



# Three hadron resonances from QCD

Past decade has seen tremendous progress extending these ideas to three particles

## Non-relativistic EFT (NREFT)

H. Hammer, J. Pang, and A. Rusetsky  
JHEP 09, 109 (2017), JHEP 10, 115 (2017)

## Finite-volume unitarity (FVU)

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## All-orders relativistic field theory (RFT)

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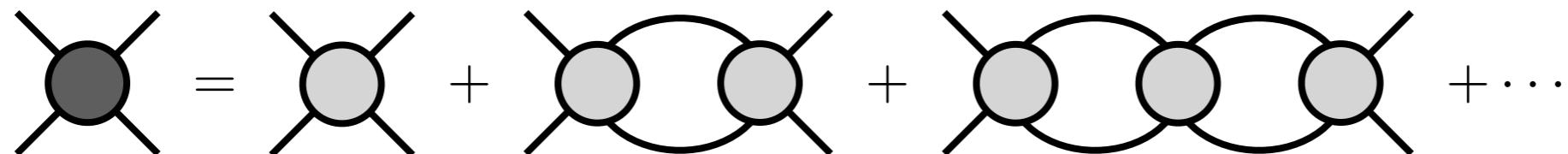
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# On-shell scattering amplitudes from RFT

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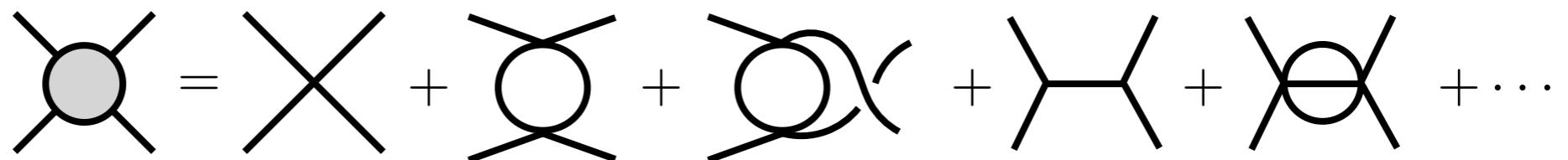
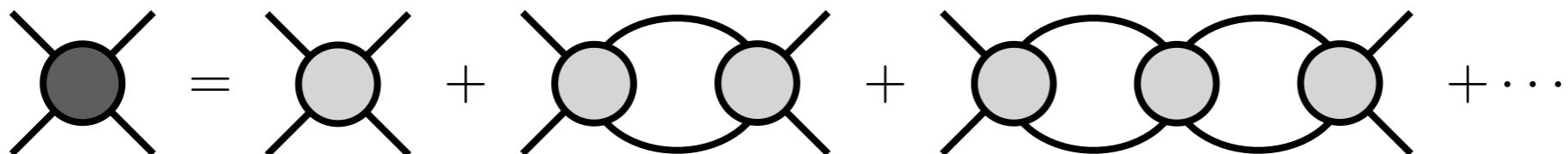
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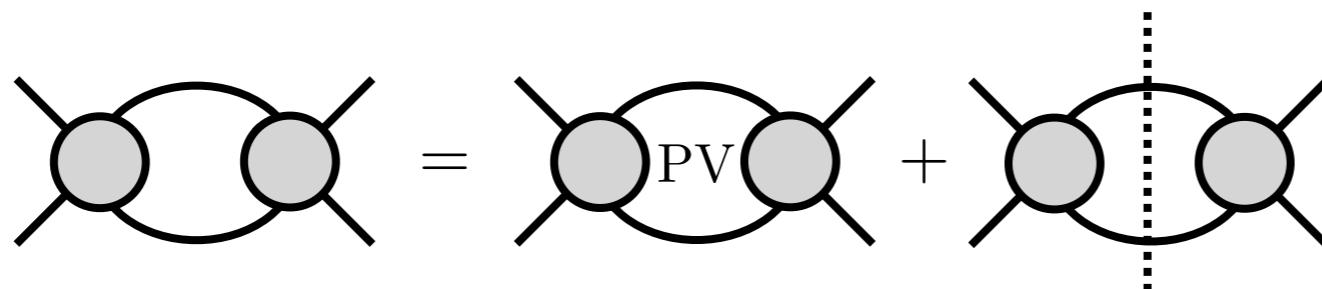
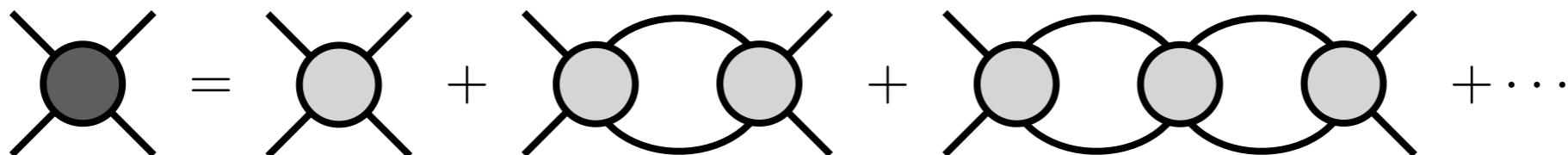


*All 2PI diagrams - left hand cuts and higher multi-particle thresholds*

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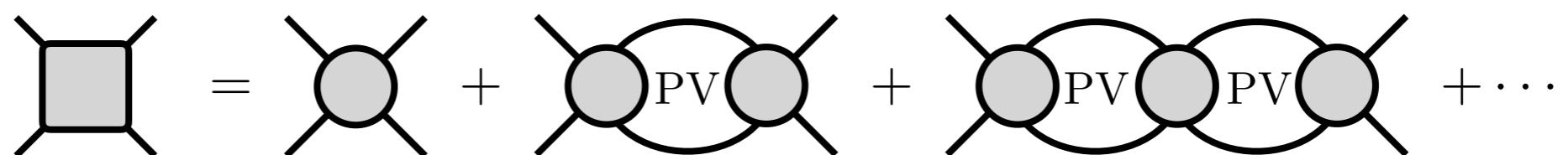
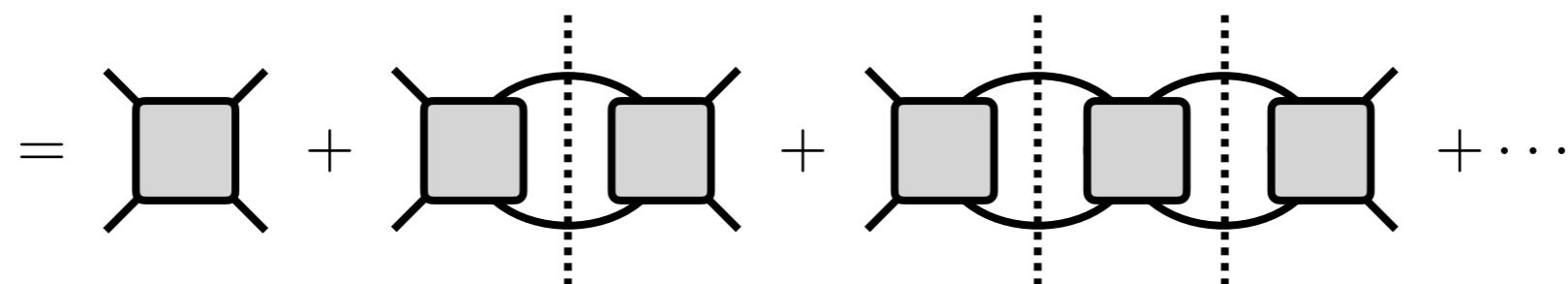
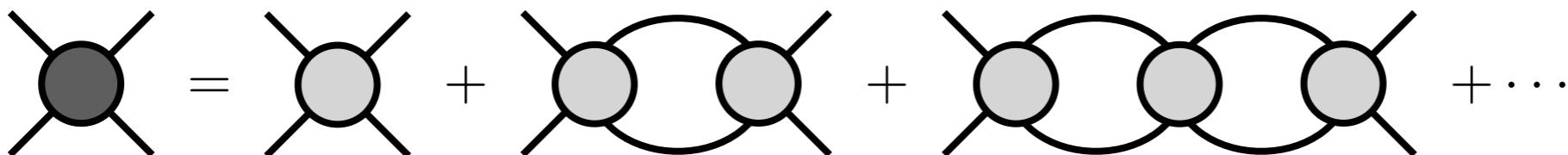


$$\rho = \frac{q}{8\pi E} \sim \sqrt{s - s_{\text{th}}}$$

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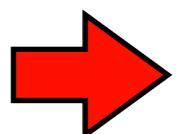
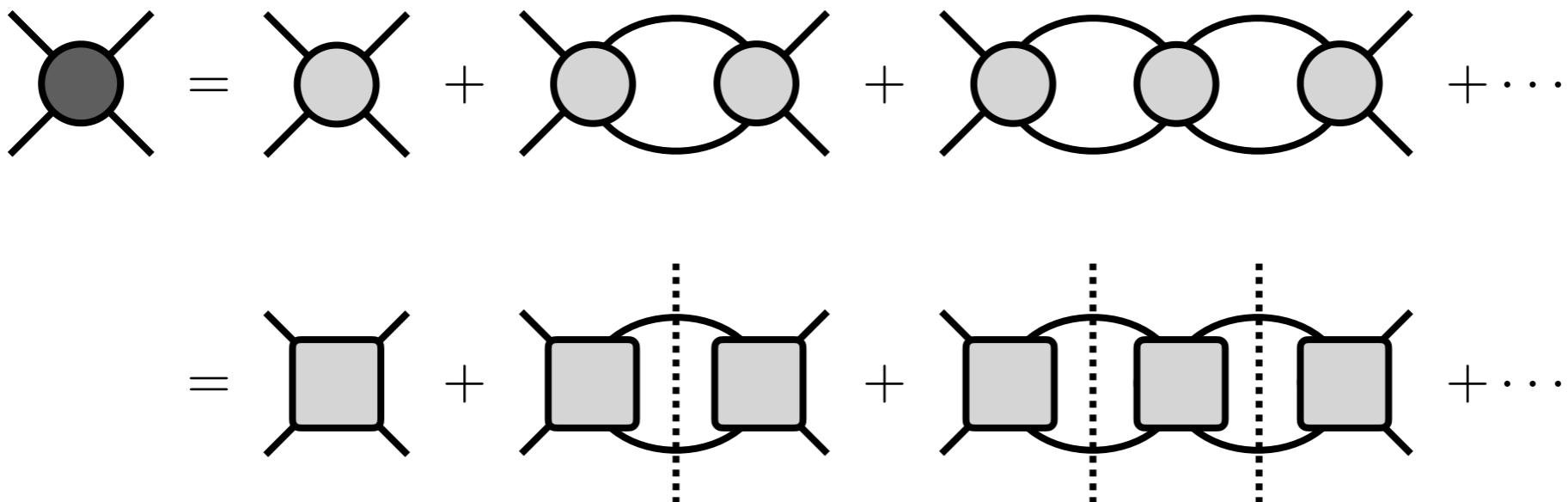


*K matrix — unknown dynamical function unconstrained by unitarity*

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$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \mathcal{K}_2 + \mathcal{K}_2 i\rho \mathcal{M}_2$$

For given  $K$  matrix, obtain on-shell solution for amplitude

# On-shell scattering amplitudes from RFT

Repeat on-shell separation for  $3 \rightarrow 3$

- For FV correlation functions — obtain condition relating spectrum to  $K$  matrix

$$\det [1 + \mathcal{K}_{3,\text{df}} F_{3,L}] = 0$$

$$F_{3,L} = F_{2,L} \left( \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{H_L} F_{2,L} \right)$$

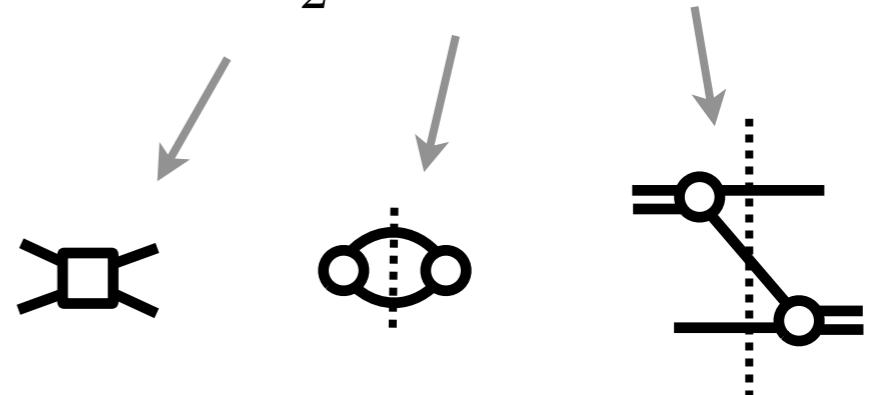
## Features

- Relativistic
- Model independent

## Assumptions

- Spinless particles
- No coupling to 2 particles
- Energies below coupled channel or 4 particles

$$H_L = \frac{1}{2\omega L^3 \mathcal{K}_2} + F_{2,L} + G_L$$



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$$i\mathcal{D} = \text{[square box with four ports]} = \text{[two-point vertex with two internal lines]} + \text{[two-point vertex with one internal line connected to a square box with four ports]}$$

$$= \text{Diagram A} + \text{Diagram B} + \dots + \text{Diagram C} + \dots$$

The equation shows a sum of Feynman diagrams. Diagram A consists of two vertices connected by a horizontal line, each with two diagonal lines extending from it. Diagram B consists of three vertices connected by a horizontal line, with the first and third vertices having two diagonal lines and the middle vertex having one horizontal line extending to the right. The ellipsis indicates that the sequence continues with more vertices and lines.

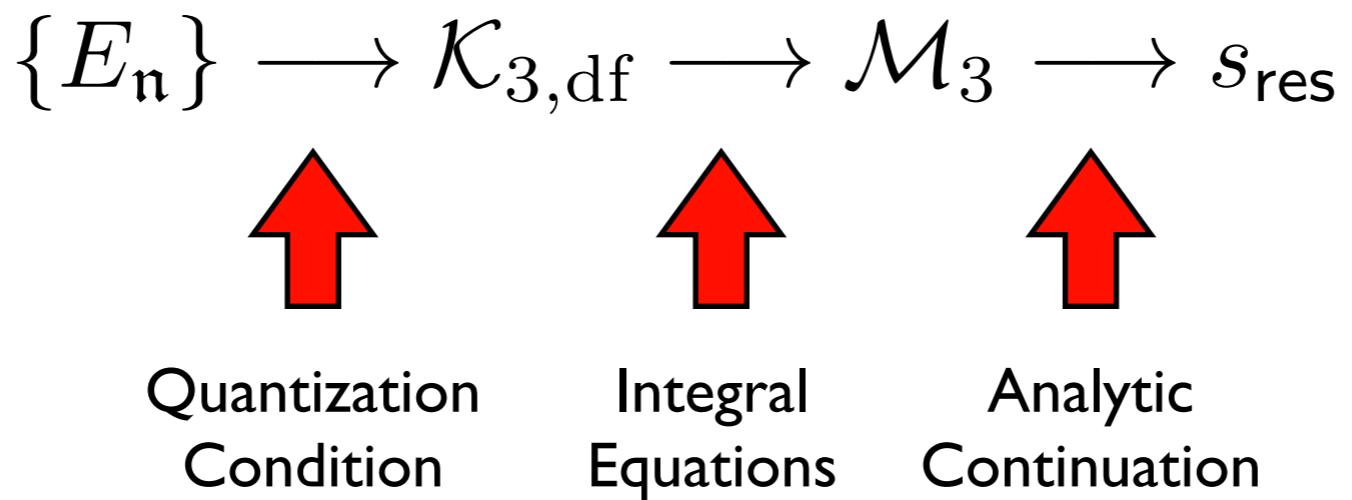
$$i\mathcal{T} = \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram of } \mathcal{K}_3 \\ \text{Diagram of } \mathcal{L} \end{array}$$

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- Path to 3-body resonance parameters



# First lattice QCD spectra

First applications of this formalism being tested on  $3\pi^+$

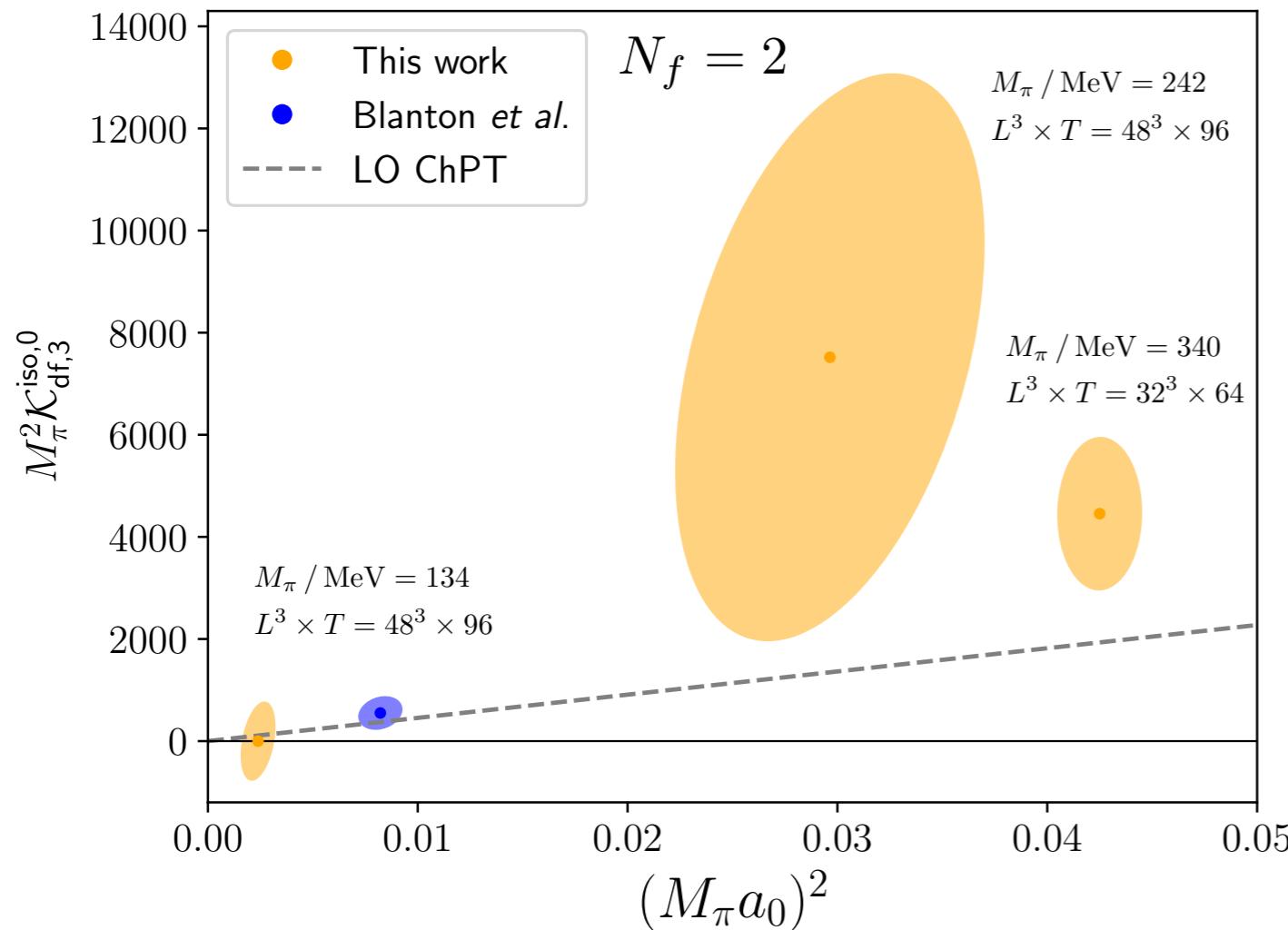
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No complete amplitudes from LQCD to date —  
requires solving the integral equations for given  $K$  matrix

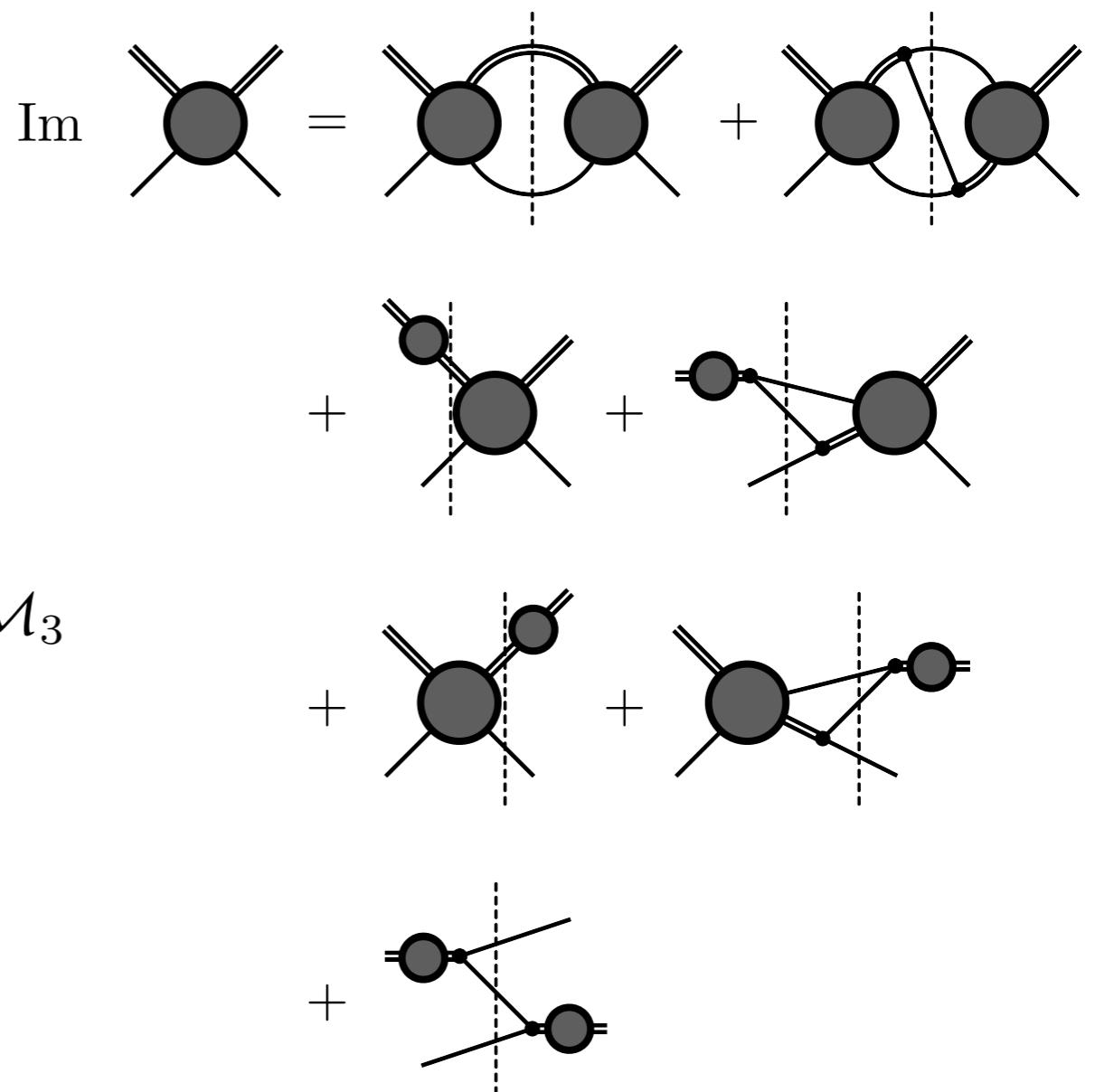
# On-shell scattering amplitudes from unitarity

Start with  $S$  matrix unitarity

- Provides constrain for amplitude on real axis in physical region
- On-shell amplitude satisfies linear equation — check unitarity constraint

$$\mathcal{M}_3 = \mathcal{M}_2(\mathcal{R} - G)\mathcal{M}_2 + \int \mathcal{M}_2(\mathcal{R} - G)\mathcal{M}_3$$

$R$  is a different short-distance function



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*Extension to FV*

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# Equivalence of relativistic methods

The RFT vs FVU methods can be summarized as “Bottom up” vs “Top down”

On-shell scattering equations are equivalent

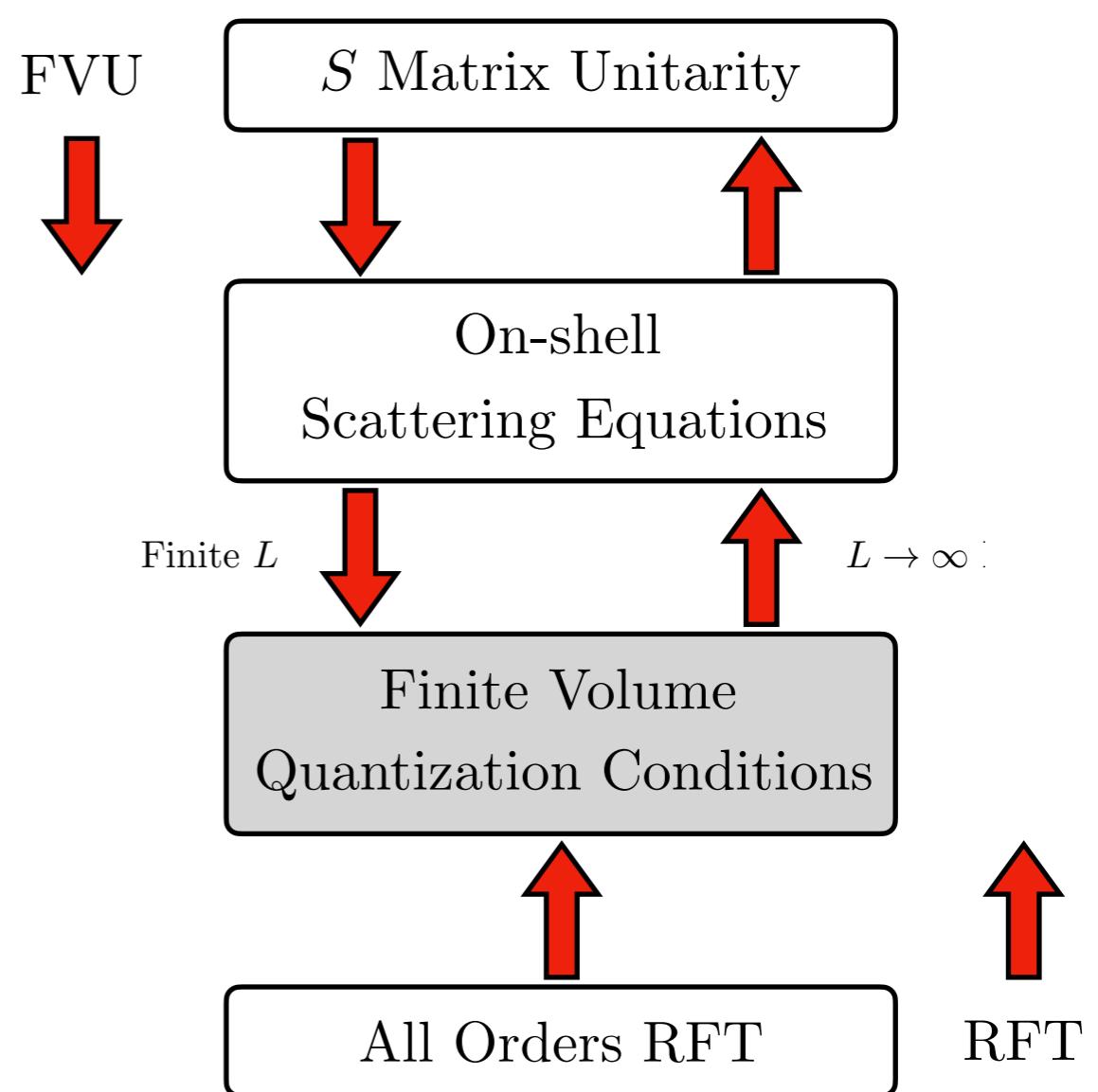
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Quantization conditions are equivalent

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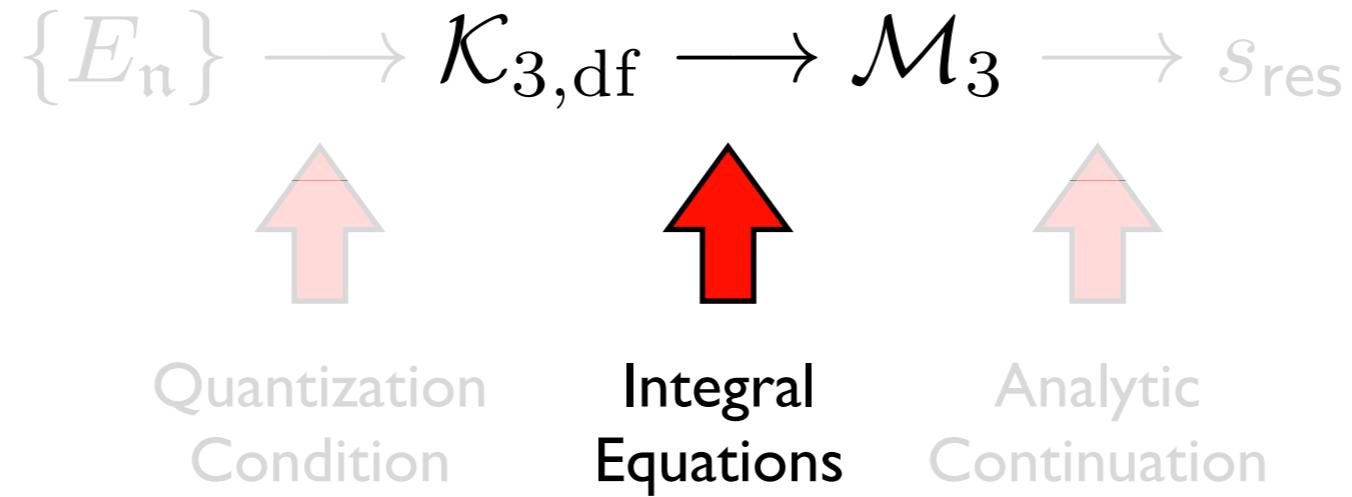
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Diagram 1: } &= \text{Diagram 2: } \mathcal{R} + \text{Diagram 3: } \mathcal{R} \\ \text{Diagram 4: } &= \frac{1}{3} \text{Diagram 5: } \mathcal{K} + \text{Diagram 6: } \mathcal{K} + \text{Diagram 7: } \mathcal{K} \end{aligned}$$

*Small details, e.g. aspects of symmetrization  
— see literature for information*



# Solving the Integral Equations

Given a  $\mathcal{K}_{3,\text{df}}$ , solve integral equations for scattering amplitude



Set foundation by studying simplest case

- Three identical scalar particles
- All angular momentum in  $S$  wave
- Bound state in 2-body system
- Assume  $\mathcal{K}_{3,\text{df}} = 0$

# Solving the Integral Equations

Assume short-range  $K$  matrix is zero

- Base case for integral equations — non-zero  $K$  involves  $K=0$  case
- Series of increasing number of exchanges between 2-body systems

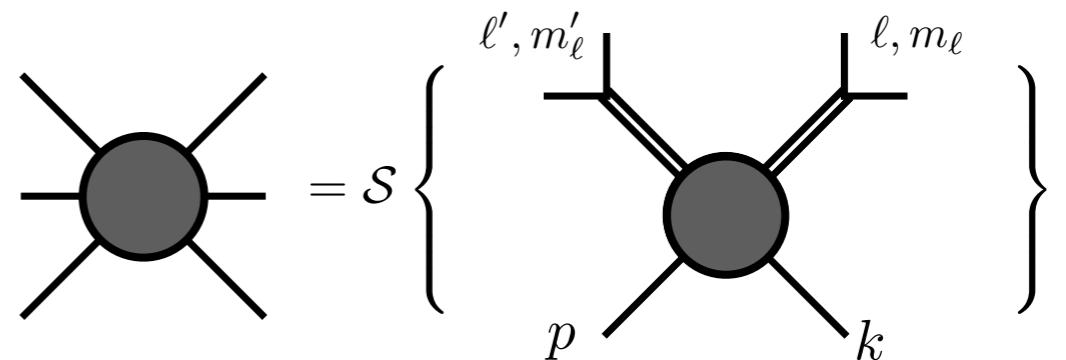
$$i\mathcal{M}_3 = i\mathcal{D}$$

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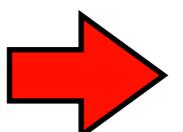
Amplitude in pair-spectator basis

- S wave dimers
- Remove initial and final state  $2 \rightarrow 2$  amplitudes
- Project to total S wave



$$\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{M}_2 d \mathcal{M}_2$$

$$d \xrightarrow[J=0]{} d_s$$

  $d_s(p, k) = -G_s(p, k) + \int dk' K_s(p, k') d_s(k', k)$

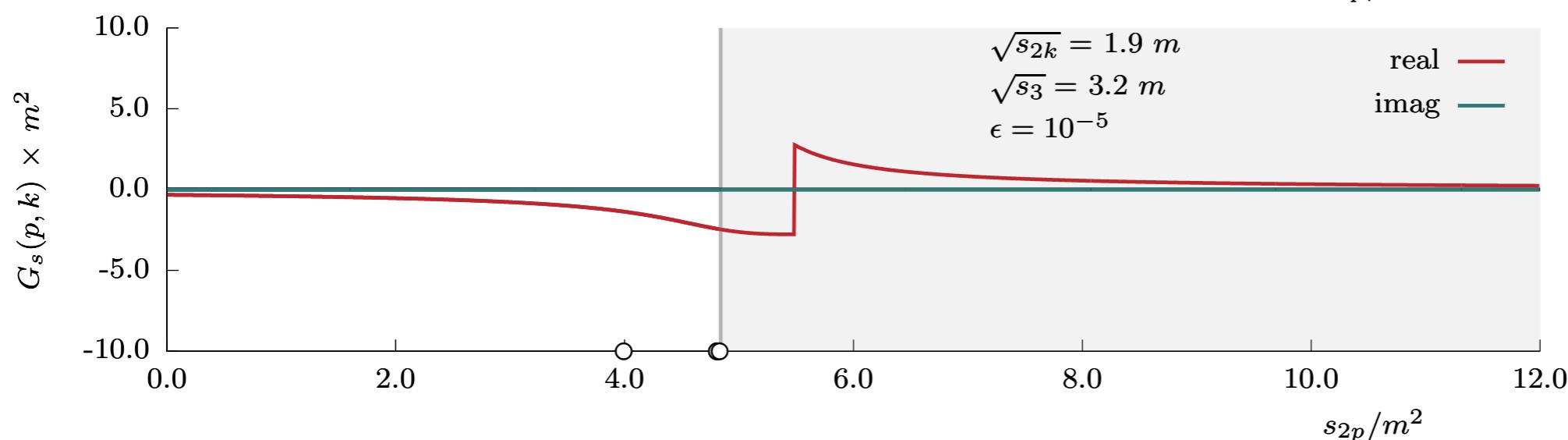
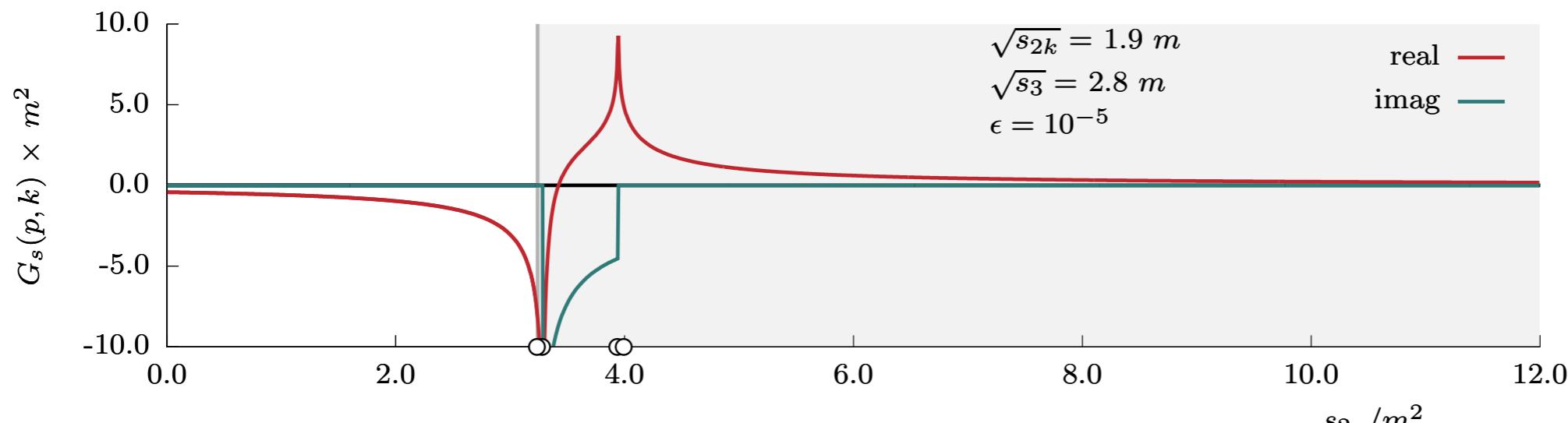
$$K_s(p, k) = -\frac{k^2}{(2\pi)^2 \omega_k} G_s(p, k) \mathcal{M}_2(k)$$

# Solving the Integral Equations

Exchange amplitude yields logarithmic singularities

$$G = \frac{H(p, k)}{(P - k - p)^2 - m^2 + i\epsilon}$$

$$G_s = -\frac{1}{4pk} H(p, k) \log \left( \frac{z(p, k) - 1}{z(p, k) + 1} \right)$$

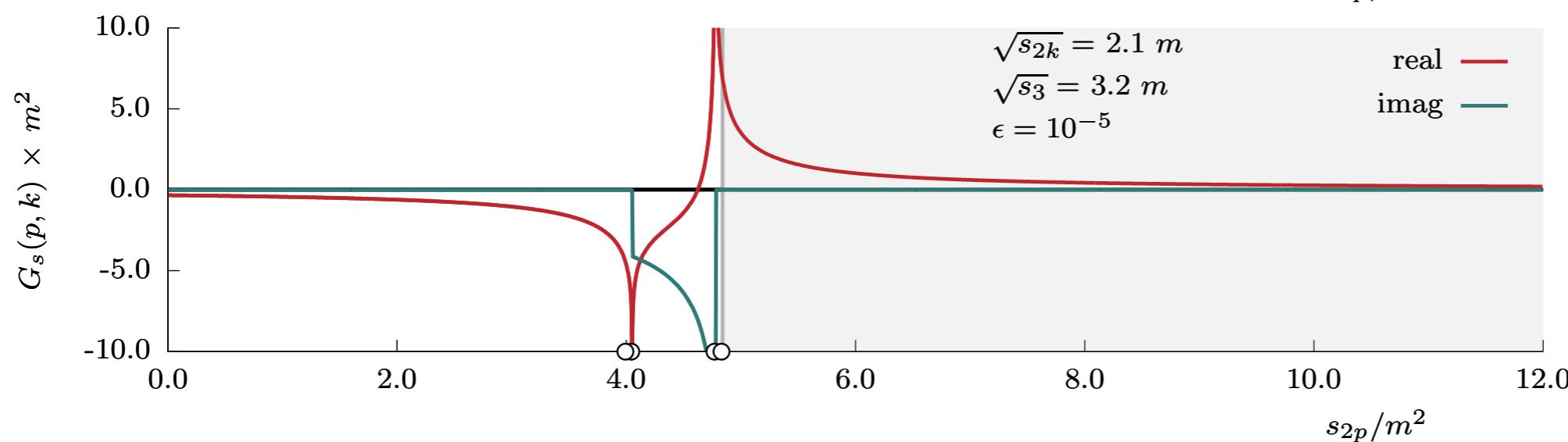
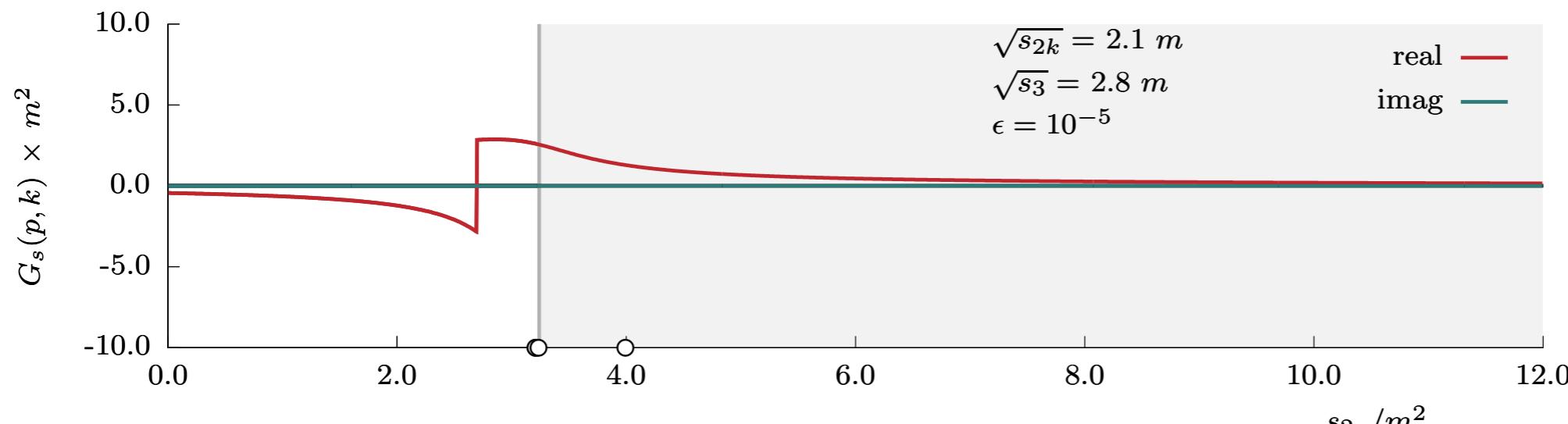


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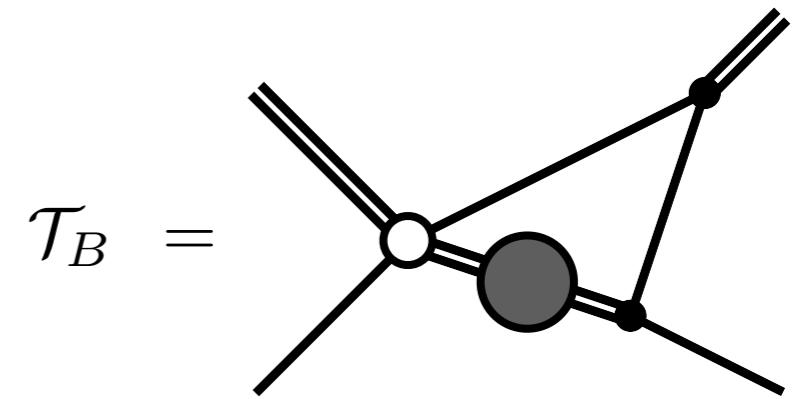
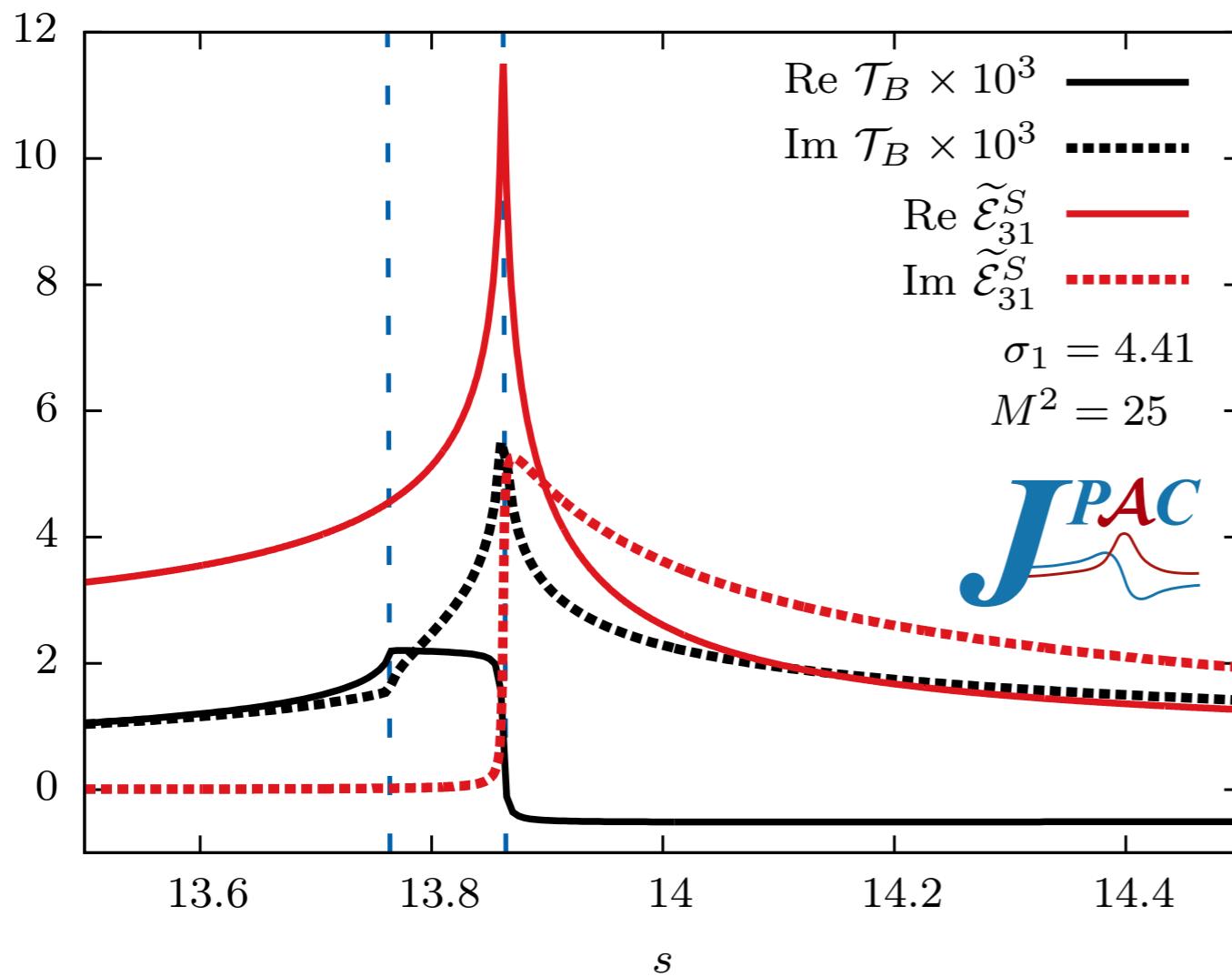
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- Induces structures in amplitudes, e.g. triangle singularities



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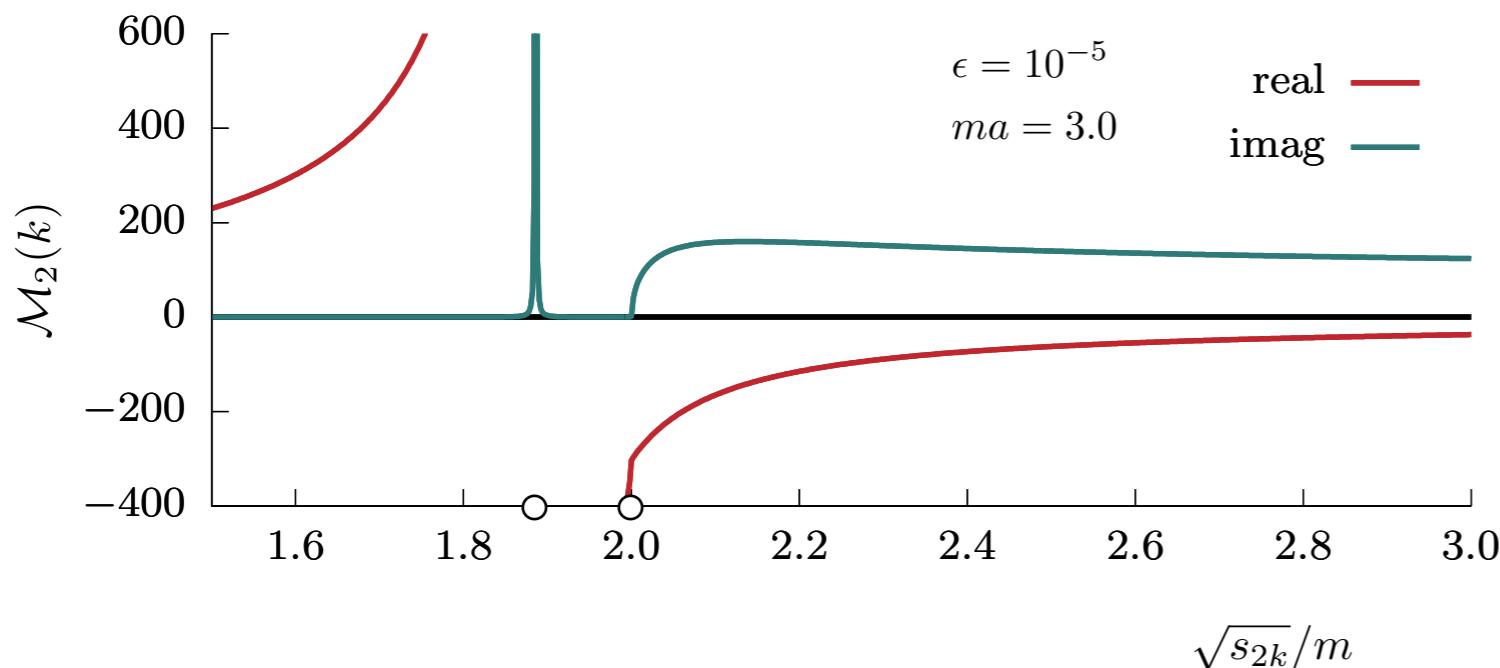
# Solving the Integral Equations — 2+1 scattering

Focus on case where 2-body systems forms bound state

- Effective range expansion with scattering length  $a$

$$\mathcal{M}_2(k) = 16\pi\sqrt{s_{2k}} \left( -\frac{1}{a} - \frac{i}{2}\sqrt{s_{2k} - 4m} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\sim \frac{-g^2}{s_{2k} - s_{2b}}$$



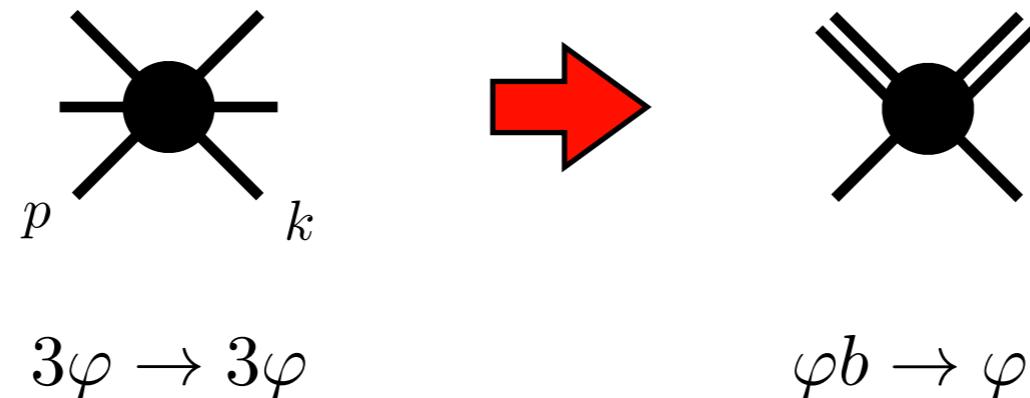
$$s_{2b} = 4 \left( m^2 - \frac{1}{a^2} \right)$$

$$g^2 = 128\pi\sqrt{s_{2b}}/a$$

# Solving the Integral Equations — 2+1 scattering

Factorize pole and residue for 2+1 scattering

$$\lim_{s_{2p}, s_{2k} \rightarrow s_{2b}} i\mathcal{M}_3(p, k) = ig \frac{i}{s_{2p} - s_{2b}} i\mathcal{M}_{\varphi b} \frac{i}{s_{2k} - s_{2b}} ig$$



- Relate to solution for  $d_s$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\varphi b} = \lim_{s_{2k}, s_{2p} \rightarrow s_{2b}} g^2 d_s(p, k)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{3\varphi \rightarrow \varphi b}(k) = \lim_{s_{2p} \rightarrow s_{2b}} g d_s(p, k)$$

# Solving the Integral Equations — 2+1 scattering

Convert integral equation to linear equation

- Introduce regulators  $N$  (matrix size) and  $\epsilon$  (pole shift)
- Recover amplitude in  $N \rightarrow \infty, \epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  limit

$$d_s = -G_s + \int K_s d_s \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathbf{d}_s(k) = -\left[ \mathbb{1} - \tilde{\mathbb{K}}_s \right]^{-1} \mathbf{G}_s(k)$$

- Interpolate solution to bound state pole

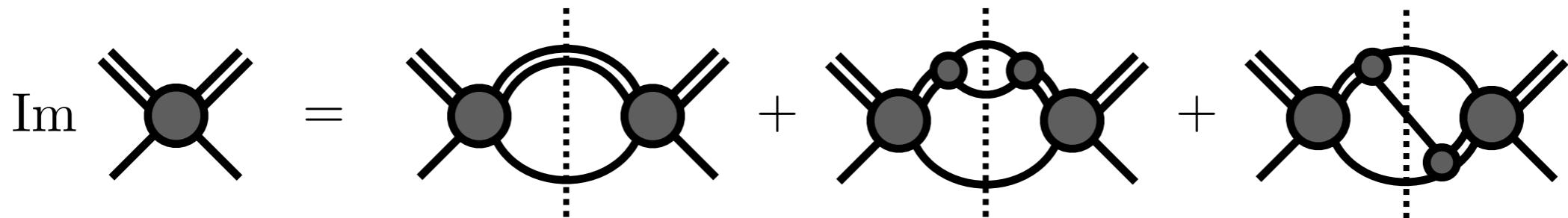
$$\mathcal{M}_{\varphi b}(N, \epsilon) = g^2 d_s(N, \epsilon)$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\varphi b} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{M}_{\varphi b}(N, \epsilon)$$

# Solving the Integral Equations — 2+1 scattering

$S$  matrix unitarity provides a way to check quality of solutions

- By construction, solutions are on-shell representations satisfying unitarity



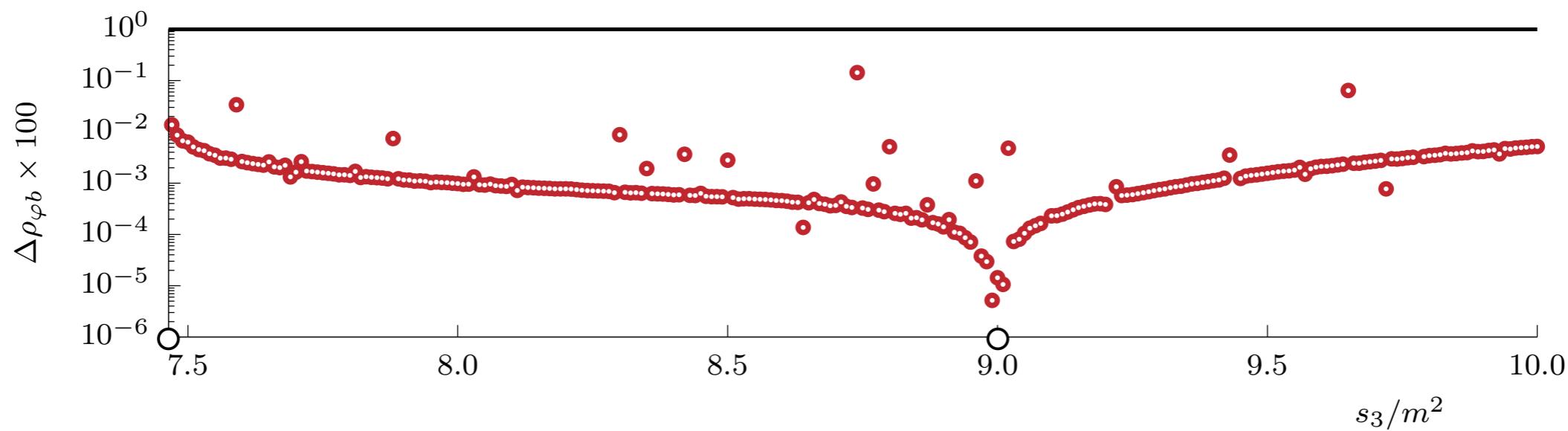
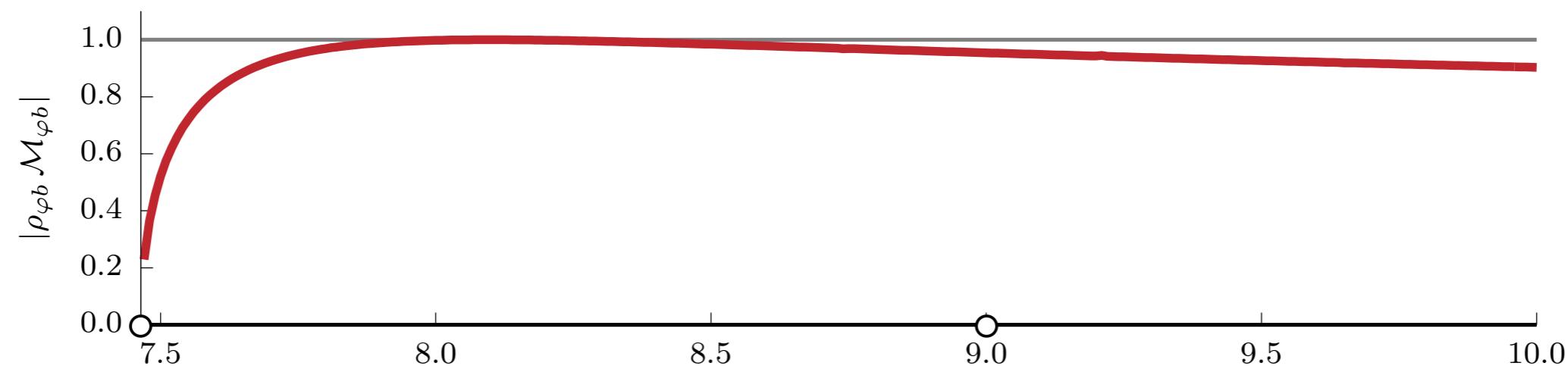
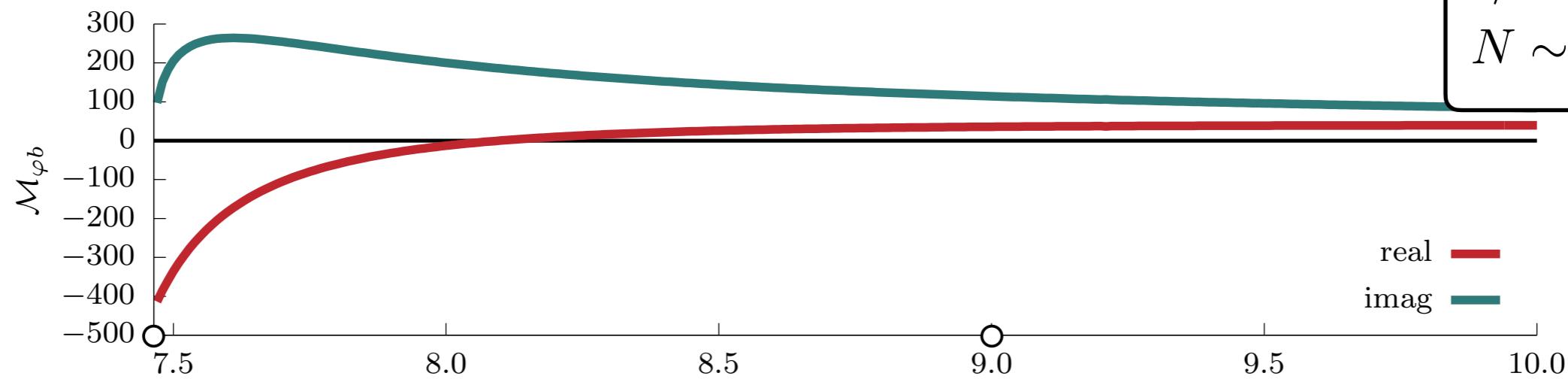
- Deviation from unitarity guides quality of solution
- Define deviation ‘error’

$$\Delta\rho_{\varphi b} = 2 \left| \frac{\text{Im } \mathcal{M}_{\varphi b}^{(\text{LHS})} - \text{Im } \mathcal{M}_{\varphi b}^{(\text{RHS})}}{\text{Im } \mathcal{M}_{\varphi b}^{(\text{LHS})} + \text{Im } \mathcal{M}_{\varphi b}^{(\text{RHS})}} \right|$$

- For a given  $N$  and  $\epsilon$ , accept solution if  $\Delta\rho_{\varphi b}$  is small

# Example of solution

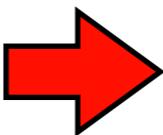
$ma = 2$   
 $\epsilon/m^2 = 10^{-5}$   
 $N \sim 4500$



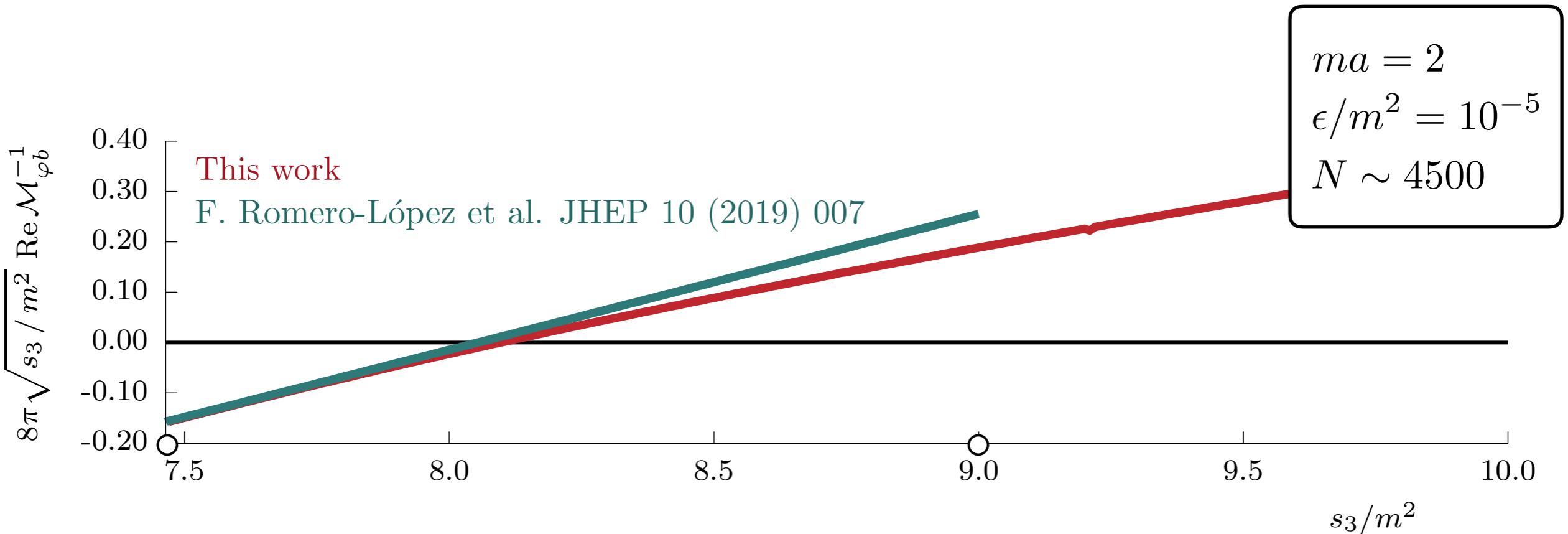
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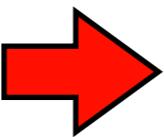
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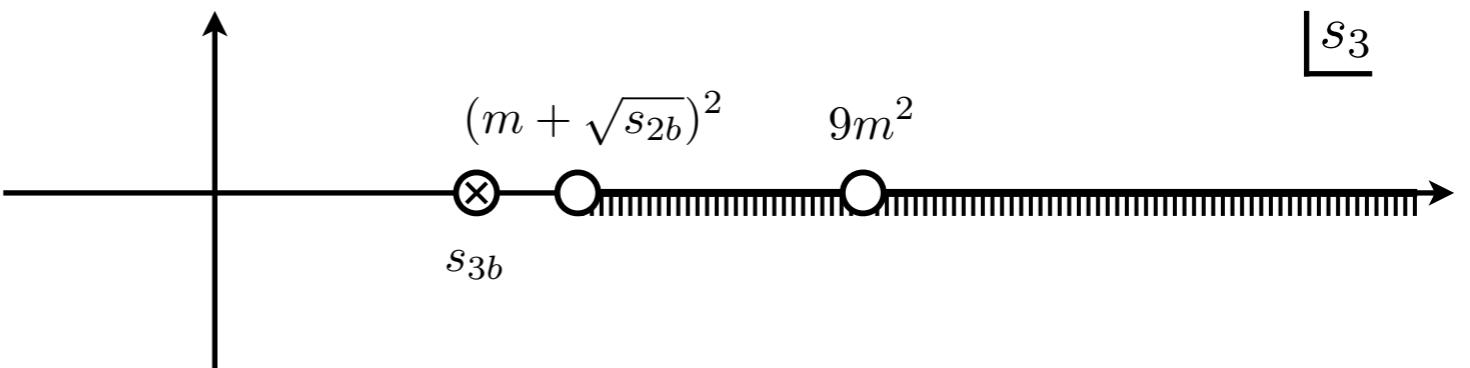
Suggestion of bound state in 2+1 system

$$ma = 2$$

$$s_{2b}/m^2 = 3$$

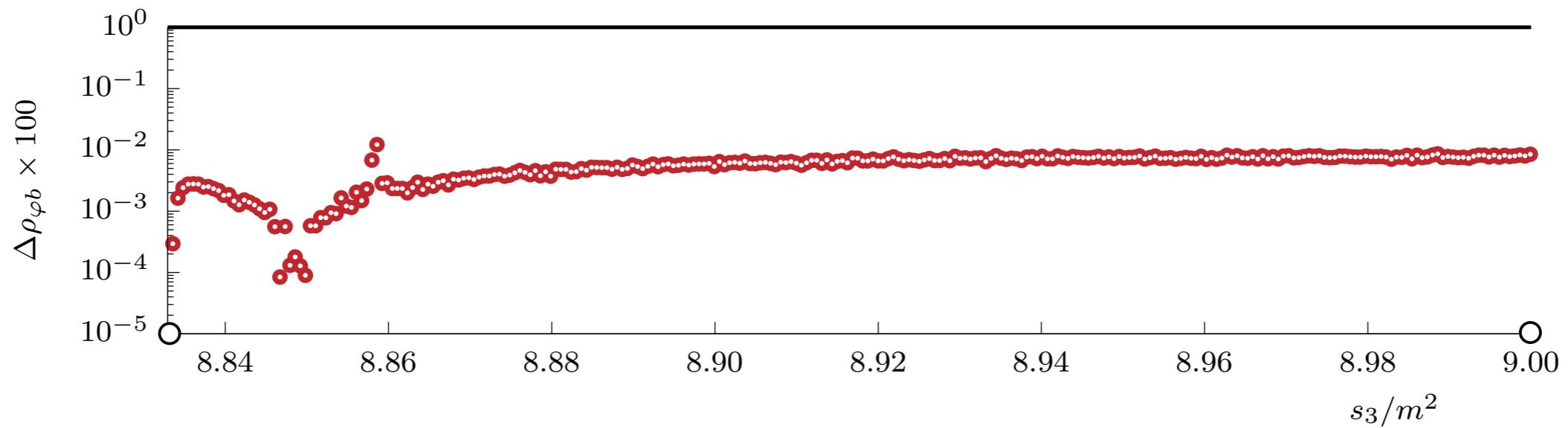
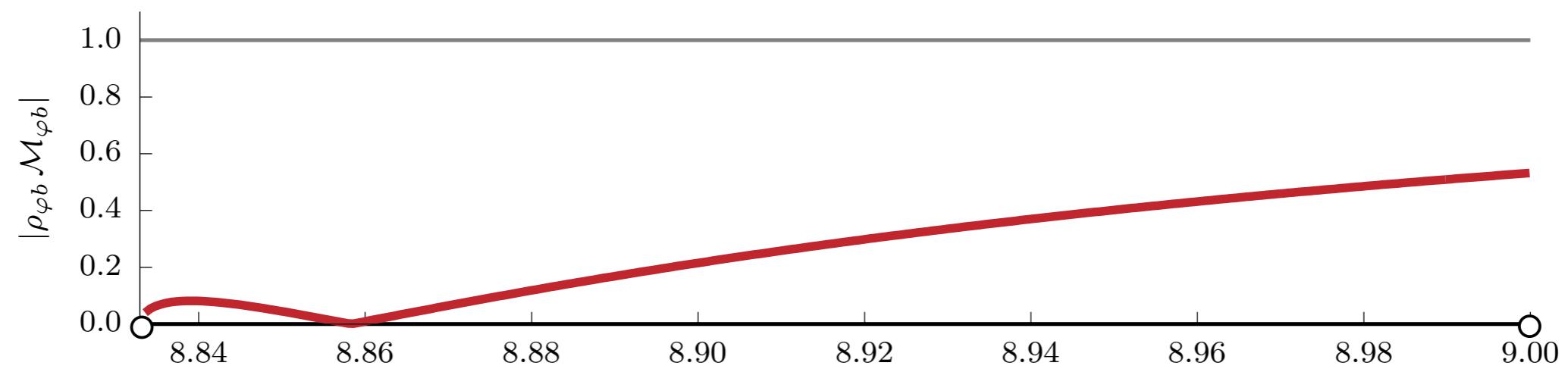
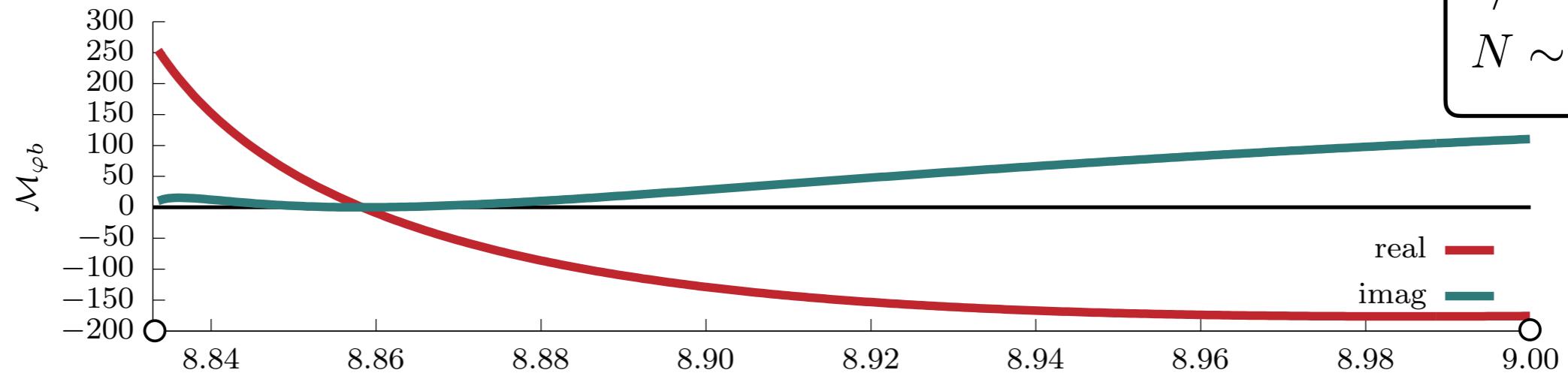
$$(1 + \sqrt{s_{2b}/m^2})^2 \sim 7.46$$

$$s_{3b}/m^2 \sim 7.28$$



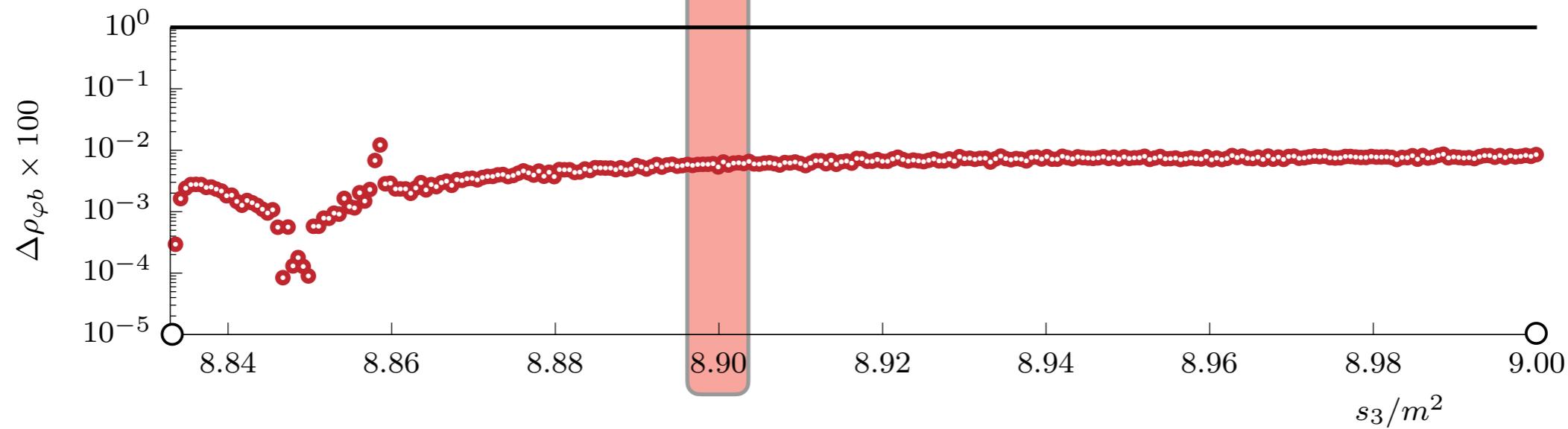
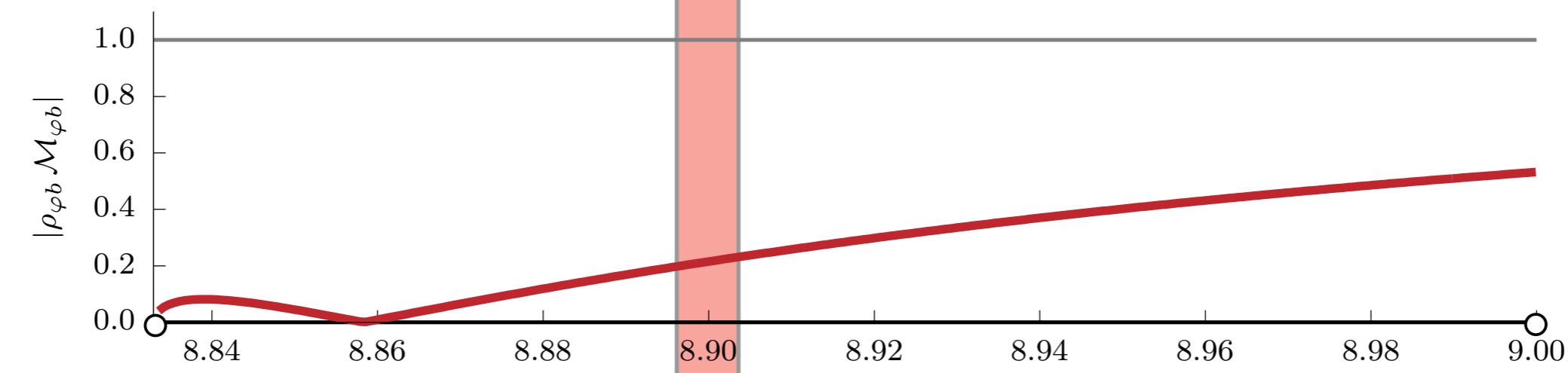
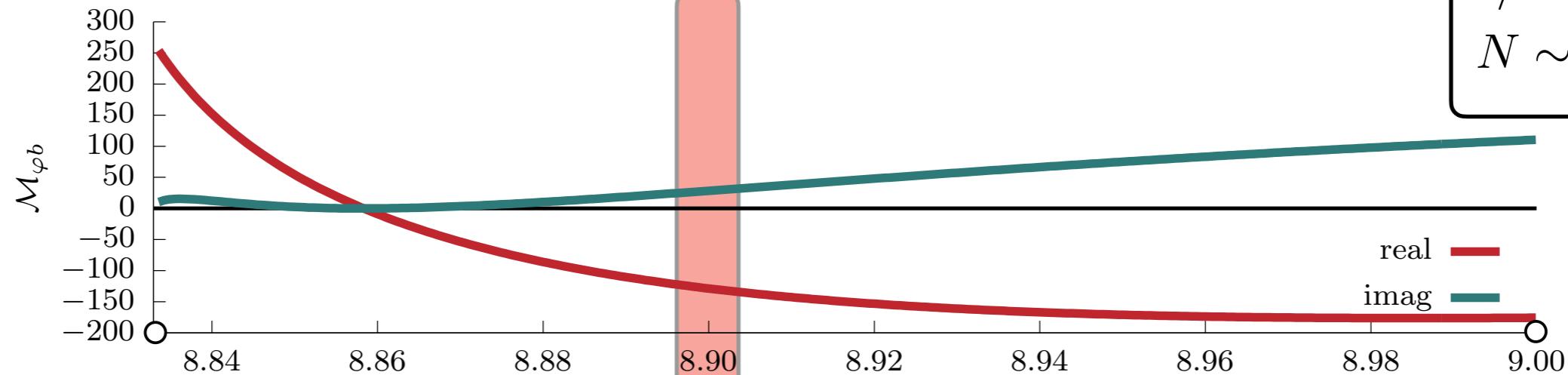
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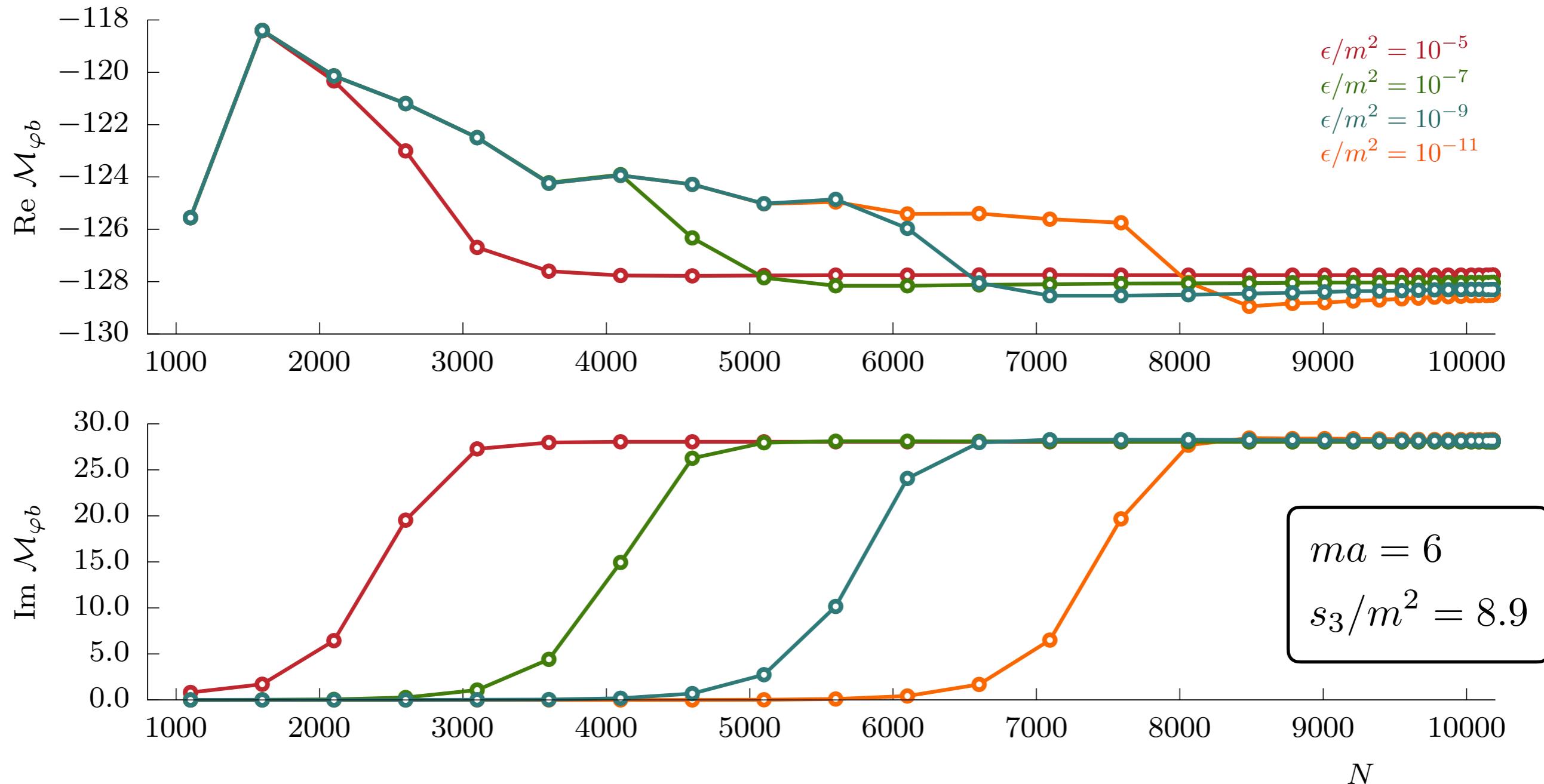
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- Poisson summation formula relates  $N$  and  $\epsilon$

$$\left[ \sum_x \Delta x - \int dx \right] \frac{1}{x^2 - x_0^2 + i\epsilon} \sim e^{-2\pi\epsilon/\Delta x}$$

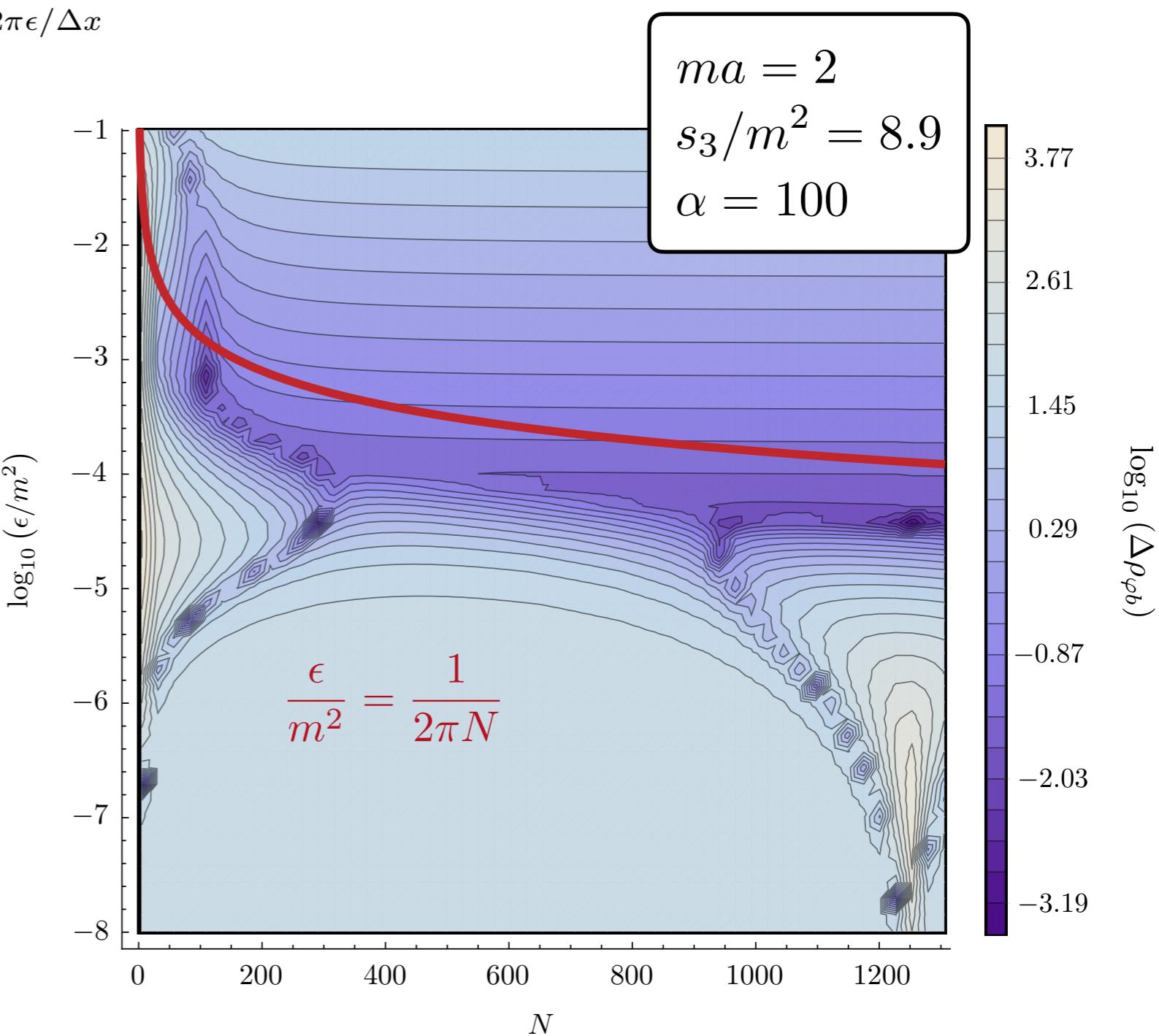
$$\implies \epsilon > \frac{1}{2\pi N} \quad \Delta x = \frac{1}{N}$$

$$N = 10^3 \implies \epsilon > 10^{-4}$$

$$N = 10^4 \implies \epsilon > 10^{-5}$$

- Not all  $\epsilon$  allowed for given  $N$
- Ordered limit must be taken carefully

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# Summary

First steps toward solving 3-body integral equations — Much more to explore

- Performing studies of stability of solutions as function of  $\epsilon$  and  $N$

- Exploring discretization schemes to improve convergence

- Estimates of systematic error

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Possible (immediate) future extensions

- Non-zero  $J$  — trivial

- Higher spin dimers — not so trivial, but doable

- 2-body resonances

Applications to lattice QCD data

- Extensions for more interesting channels, e.g.  $3\pi$  in  $I = 0,1$

Outstanding issues

- Analytic continuation below threshold / complex energy plane



# Solution strategies

Large values near poles

Brute Force

- Include finite  $+i\epsilon$  prescription for BS pole

Semi-Analytic

- Remove contribution from pole
- Residual  $\epsilon$ -dependence from removing imaginary part

$$\mathcal{M}_2(s_{2k'}) = g^2 i\pi \delta(s_{2k'} - s_b) + \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \Delta\mathcal{M}_2(s_{2k'}, \epsilon)$$
$$\delta_\epsilon(s_{2k'} - s_b) = \frac{\epsilon}{\pi ((s_{2k'} - s_b)^2 + \epsilon^2)}$$

Find consistent solutions — some improvement on unitarity checks, but not always

# Solving the Integral Equations

Discretize integral equation  $\implies$  Obtain matrix equation

$$\int_0^{k_{\max}} dk f(k) \longrightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \Delta k_n f(k_n)$$

$$k_{\text{mesh}} = \{ k_0 = 0, k_1, k_2, \dots, k_{N-1}, k_N = k_{\max} \}$$

$$\Delta k_n = k_{n+1} - k_n$$

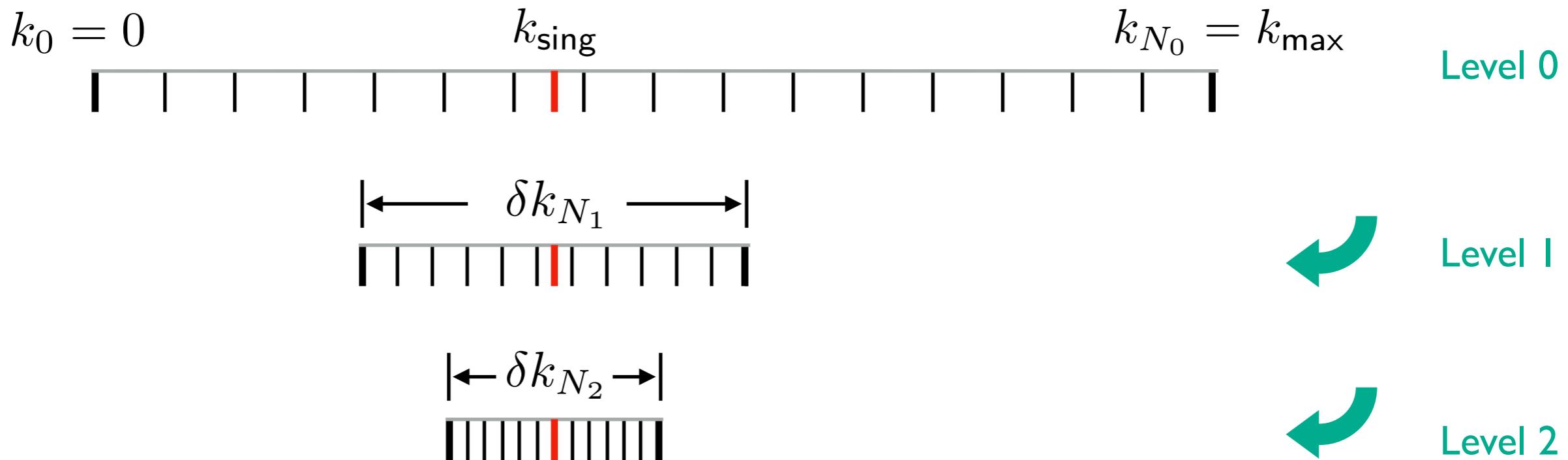
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- Alternative meshing schemes being studied — more later

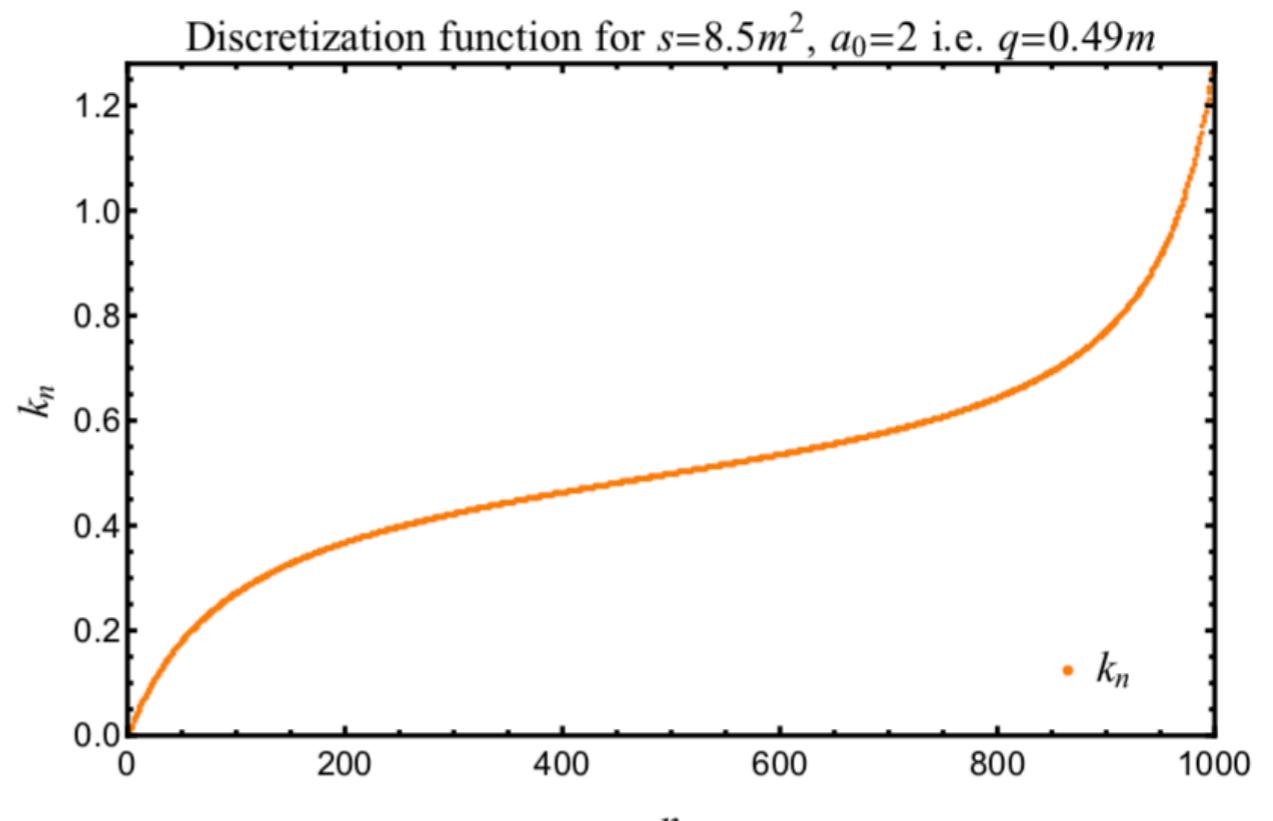
# Meshing techniques

Refinement scheme may not be most efficient meshing technique

- Requires a priori knowledge of exact location of pole
- Does not capture other features of kernel, e.g. logarithmic enhancements
- Not flexible for other non-bound systems
- For different parameter sets, may need drastically different tunings

Testing variety of alternative methods

- Mapping functions
- Dynamical
- Adaptive



(a)  $\alpha = 10.$

# Assessing systematics

We have qualitatively good solutions — need to quantify systematic errors

- Physical scattering amplitude recovered in  $N \rightarrow \infty, \epsilon \rightarrow 0^+$  limit
- What are size of errors due to finite  $N$  and  $\epsilon$
- Notice real part more volatile than imaginary part — manifestation of unitarity?

## Workflow

- For given energy and  $\epsilon$ , compute solutions for various  $N$ ,  
e.g.  $s_3/m^2 = 8.9, \epsilon = 10^{-5}, 10^3 \leq N \leq 10^4$ .
- Solutions qualitatively pass unitarity check, e.g.  $\Delta\rho_{\varphi b} \lesssim 1\%$
- Repeat for same energy at various  $\epsilon$ , e.g.  $10^{-7} \leq \epsilon \leq 10^{-3}$
- For a given energy, extract a nominal value for amplitude as well as associated error
- Repeat for all energies desired

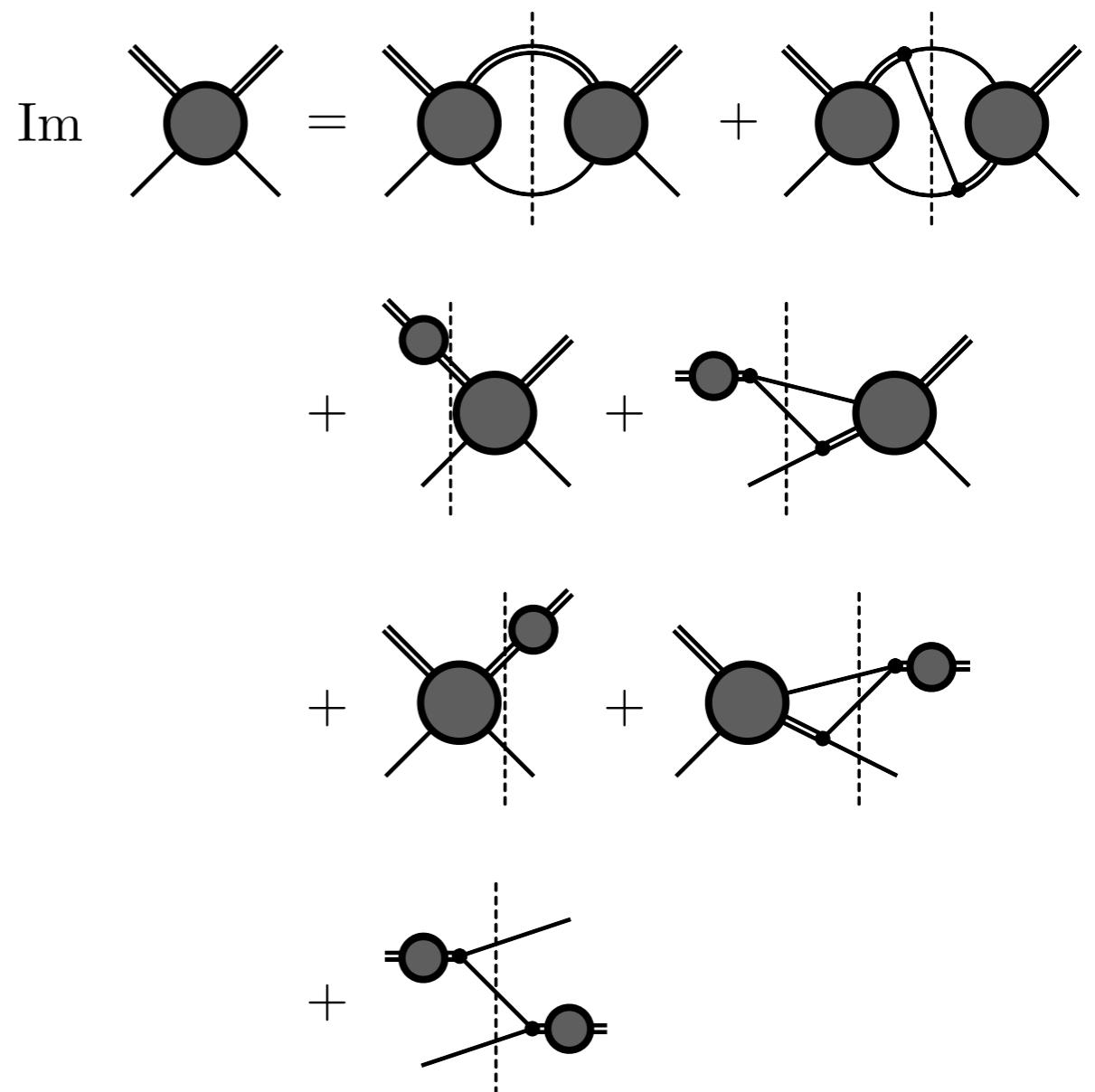
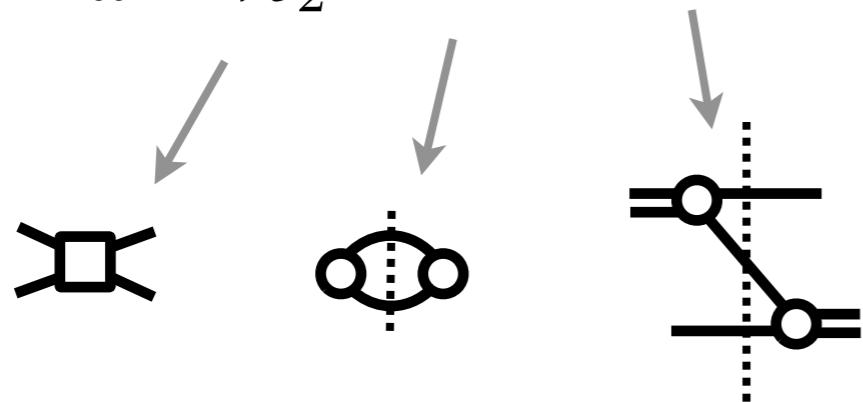
# On-shell scattering amplitudes from unitarity

Start with  $S$  matrix unitarity

- Provides constrain for amplitude on real axis in physical region
- Make *ansatz* for linear equation for amplitude — check unitarity constraint
- FVU — take on-shell rep, go to finite volume

$$\det \left[ H_L - \frac{1}{2\omega L^3} \mathcal{R} \frac{1}{2\omega L^3} \right] = 0$$

$$H_L = \frac{1}{2\omega L^3 \mathcal{K}_2} + F_{2,L} + G_L$$



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