

# Decays of an exotic $1^{-+}$ hybrid meson resonance in QCD

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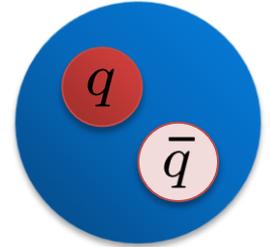


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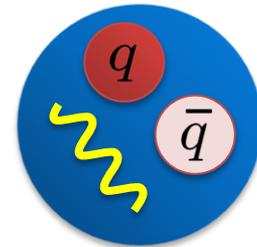
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Experiments have observed a number of structures that don't fit into the quark-model picture of mesons.



Exotic quantum numbers are particularly interesting, e.g.  $J^{PC} = 0^{--}, 0^{+-}, \mathbf{1^{-+}}, 2^{+-}$

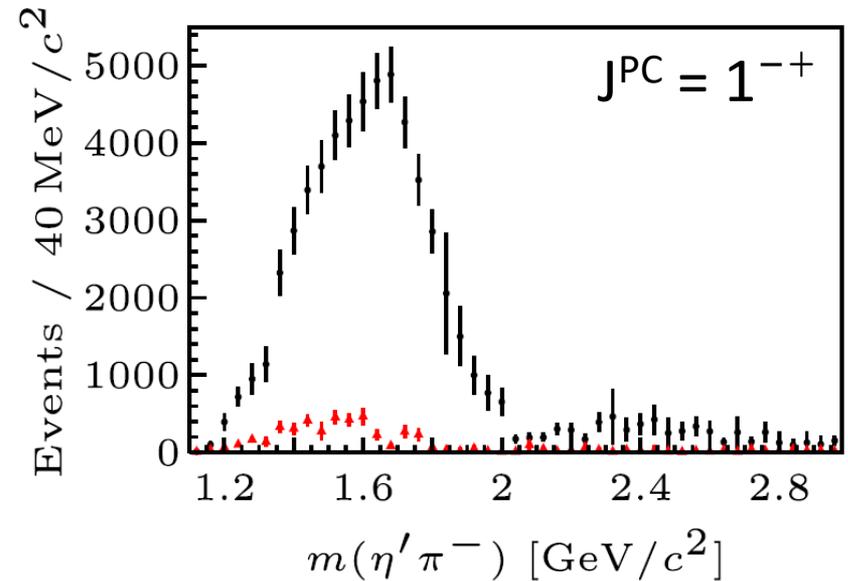
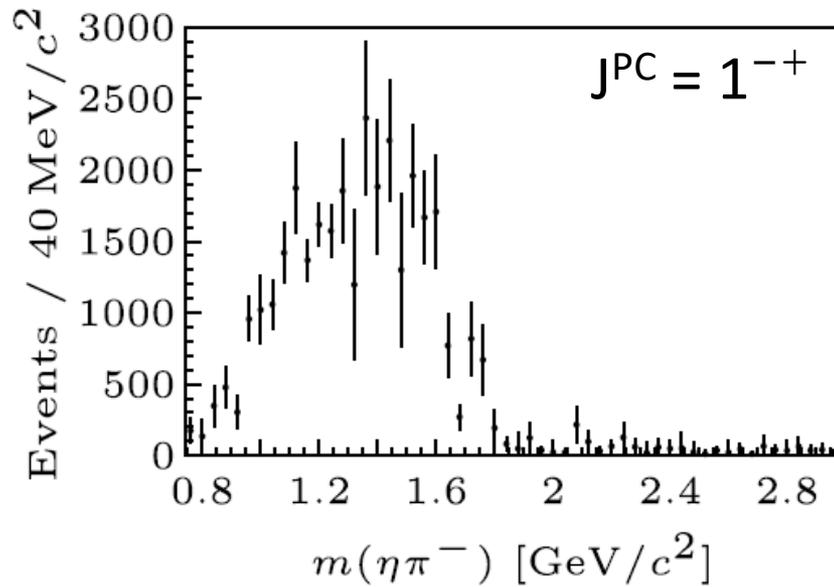
One proposed type of exotic is a **hybrid meson**.



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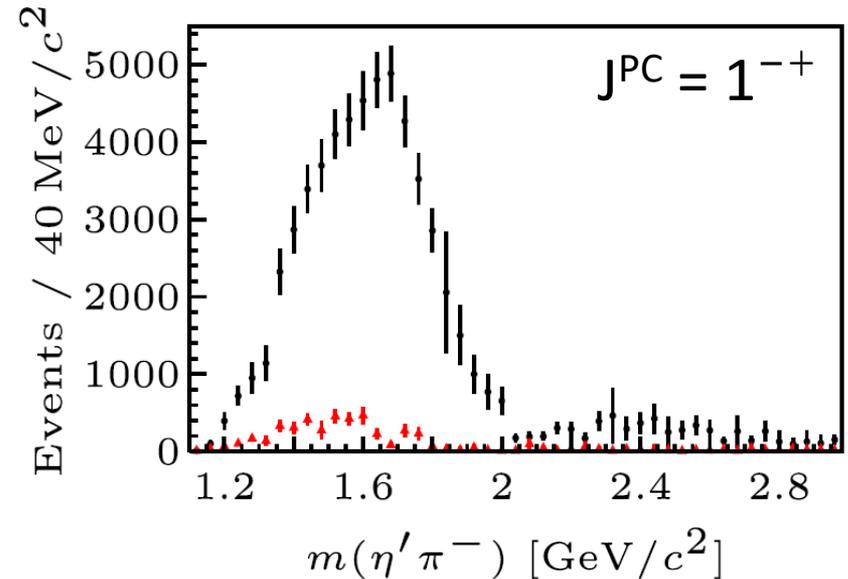
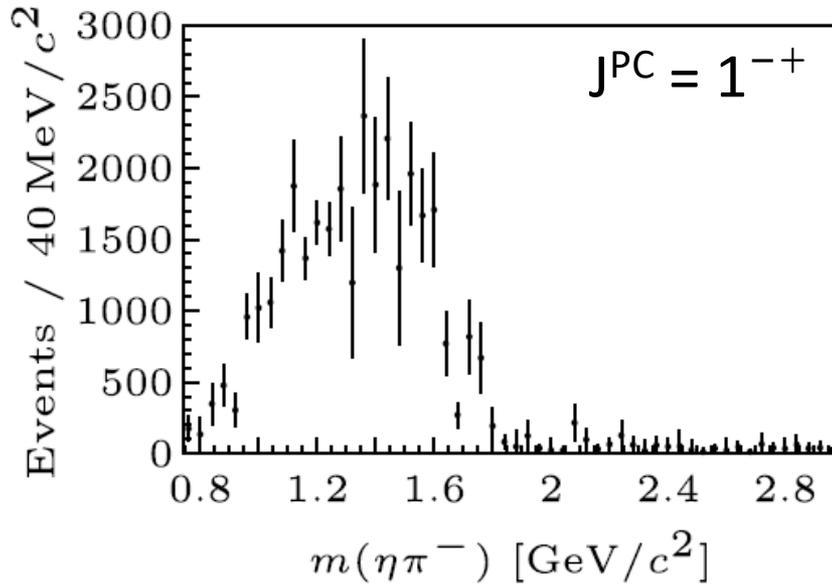
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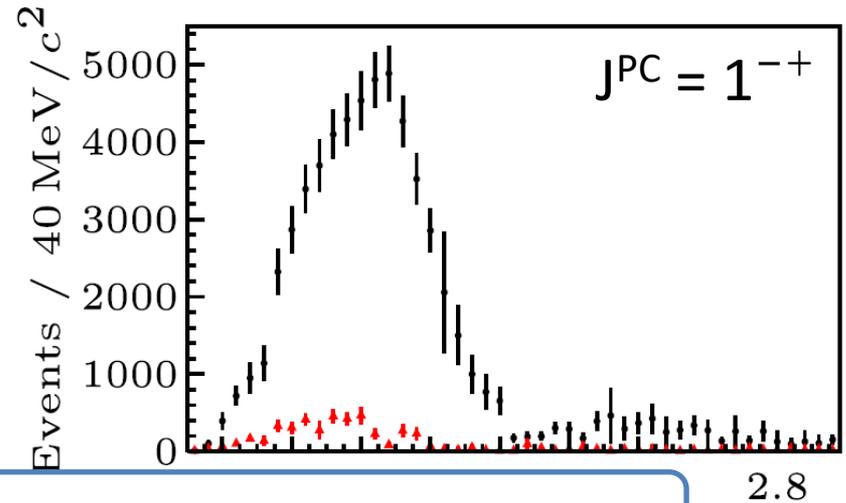
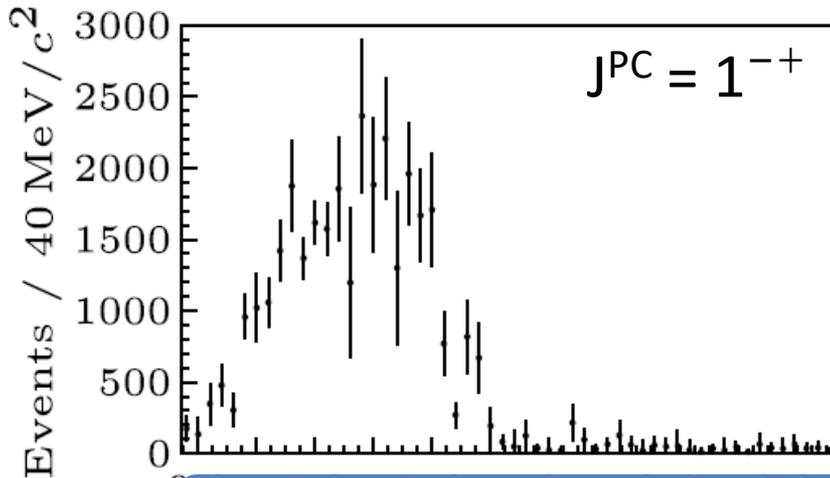


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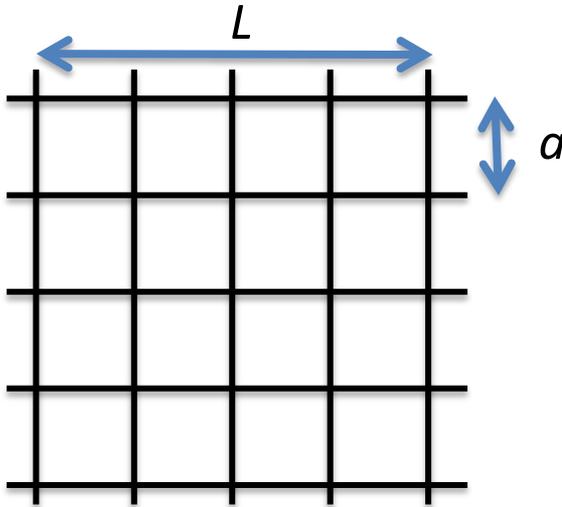
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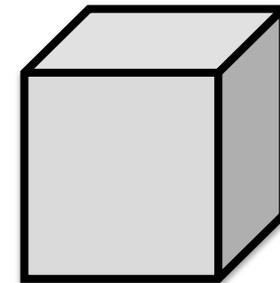


Systematically-improvable first-principles calculations

**Finite-volume energy eigenstates from:**

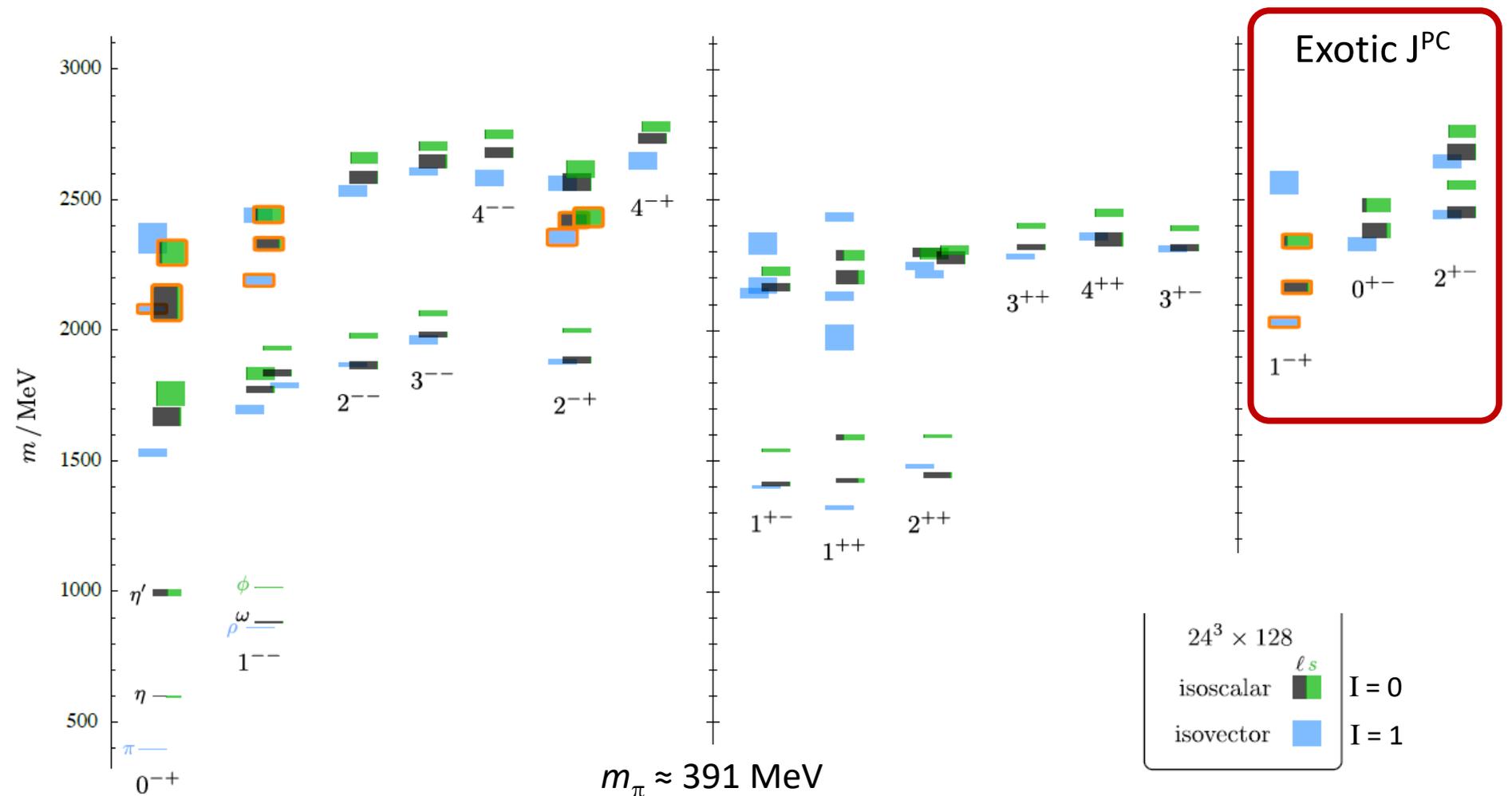
$$C_{ij}(t) = \langle 0 | \underbrace{\mathcal{O}_i(t)} \underbrace{\mathcal{O}_j^\dagger(0)} | 0 \rangle$$

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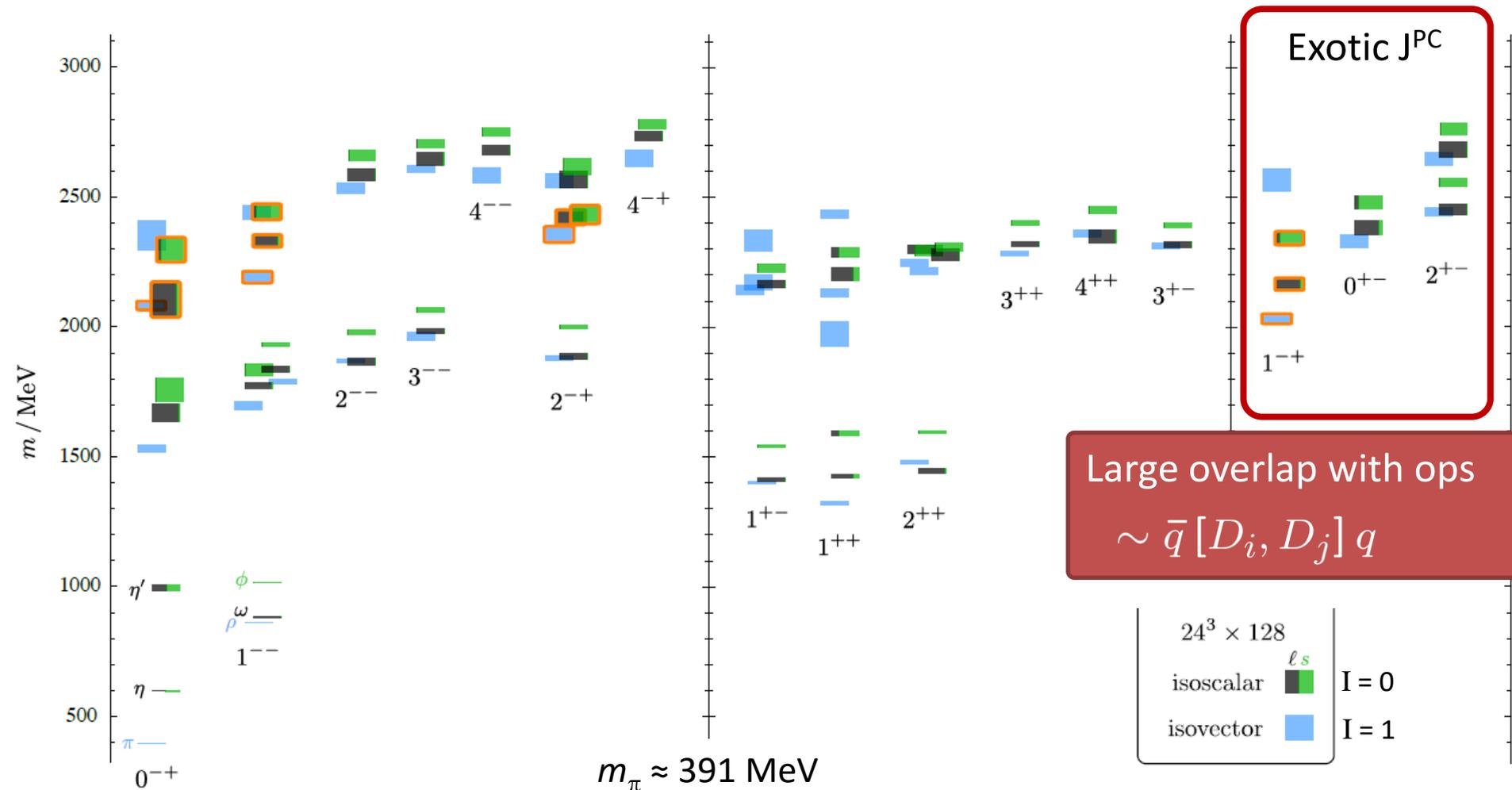


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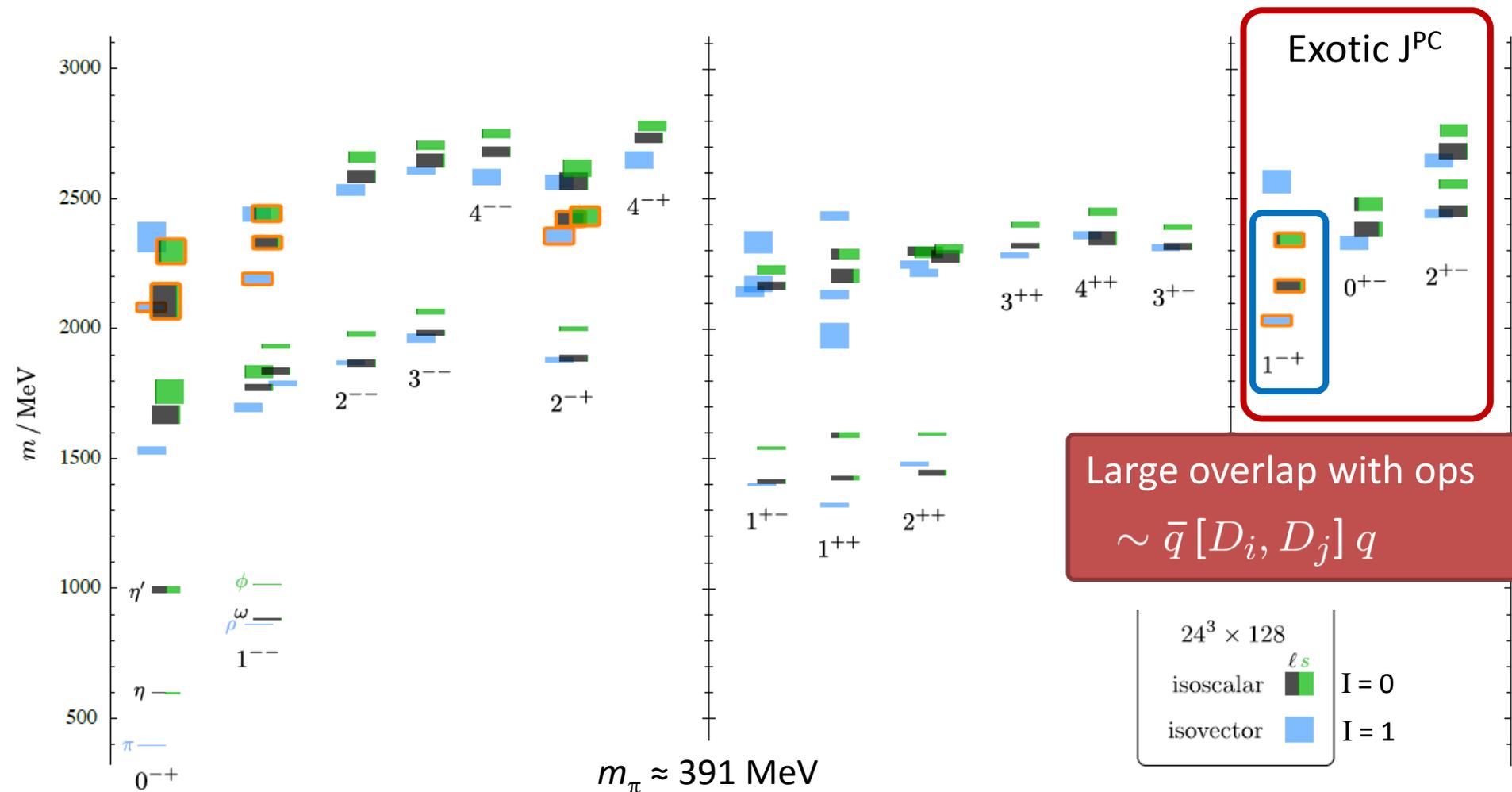


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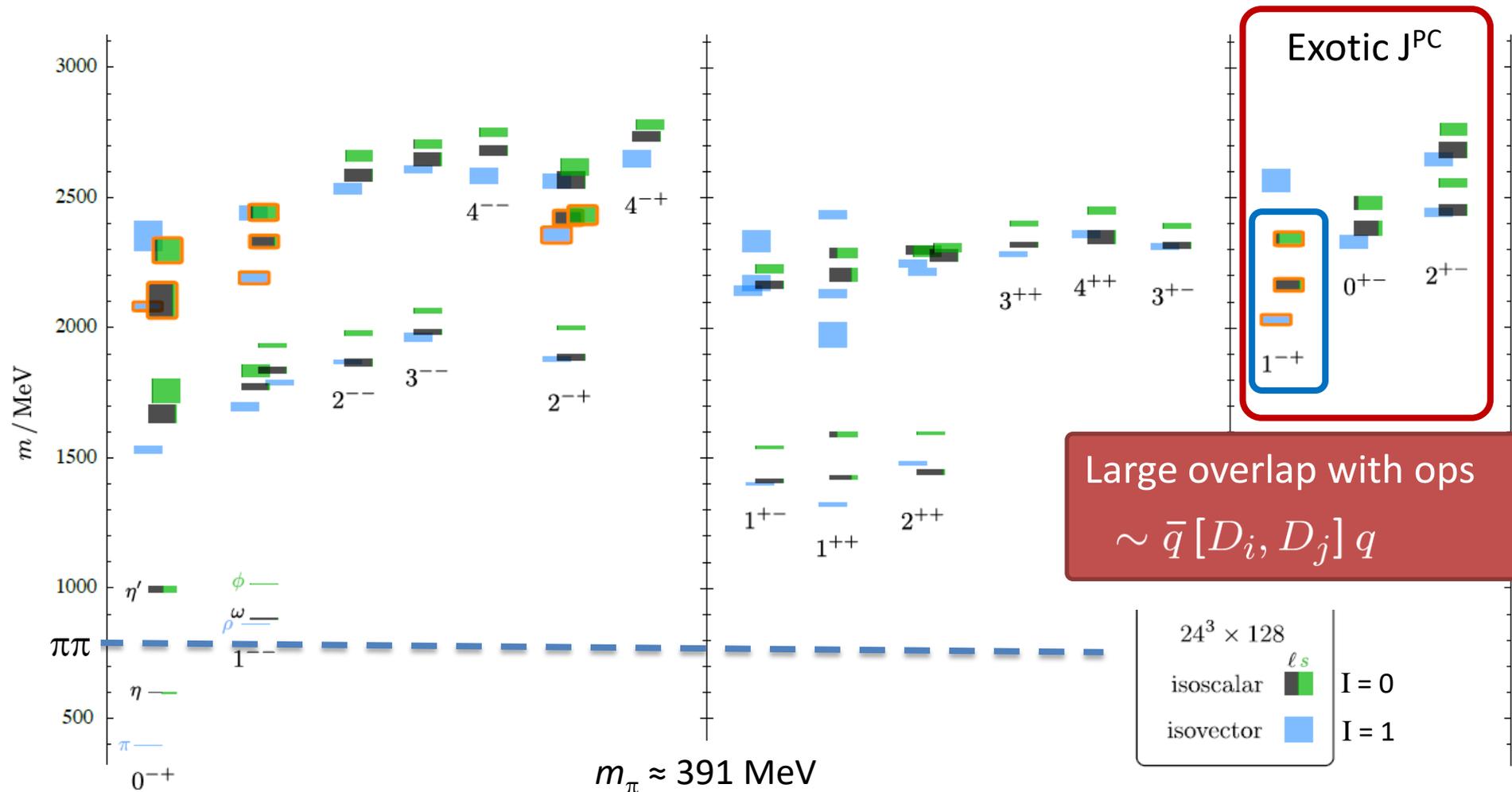


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Demonstrated in calcs. of  $\rho$ , light scalars,  $b_1$ , charm mesons, ...

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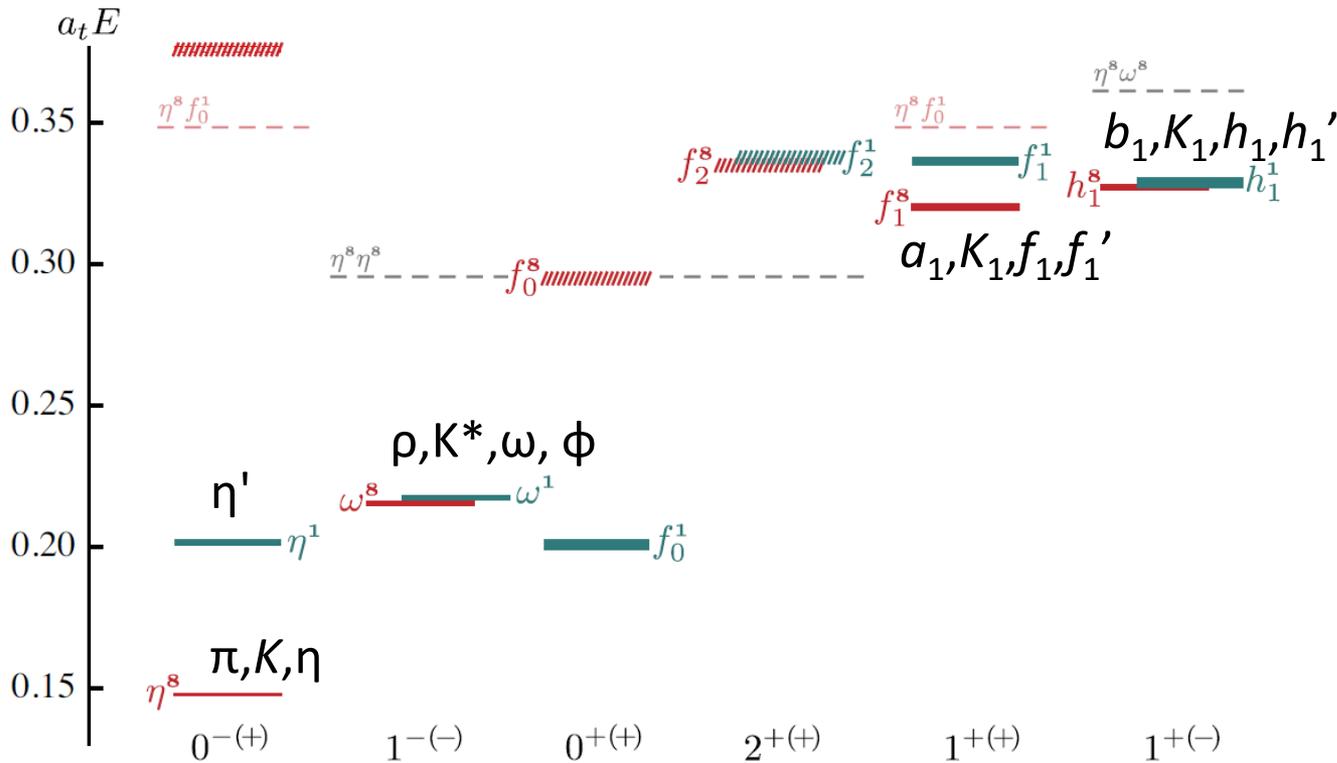
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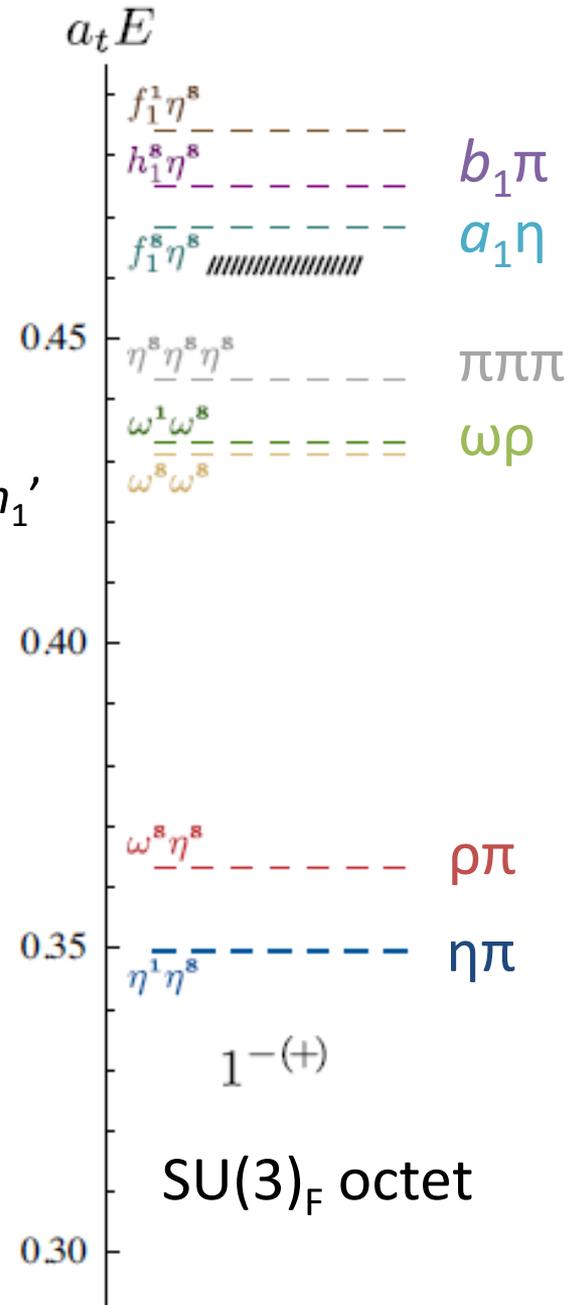
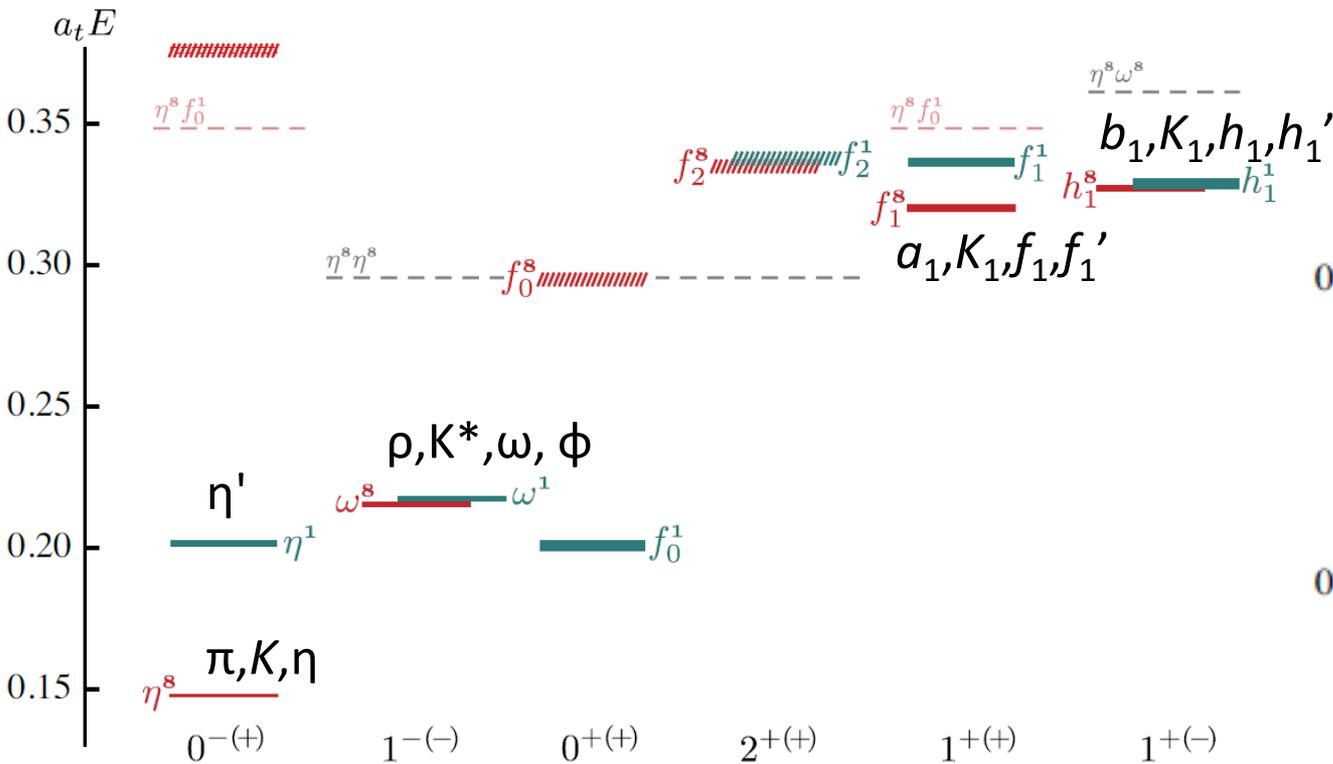


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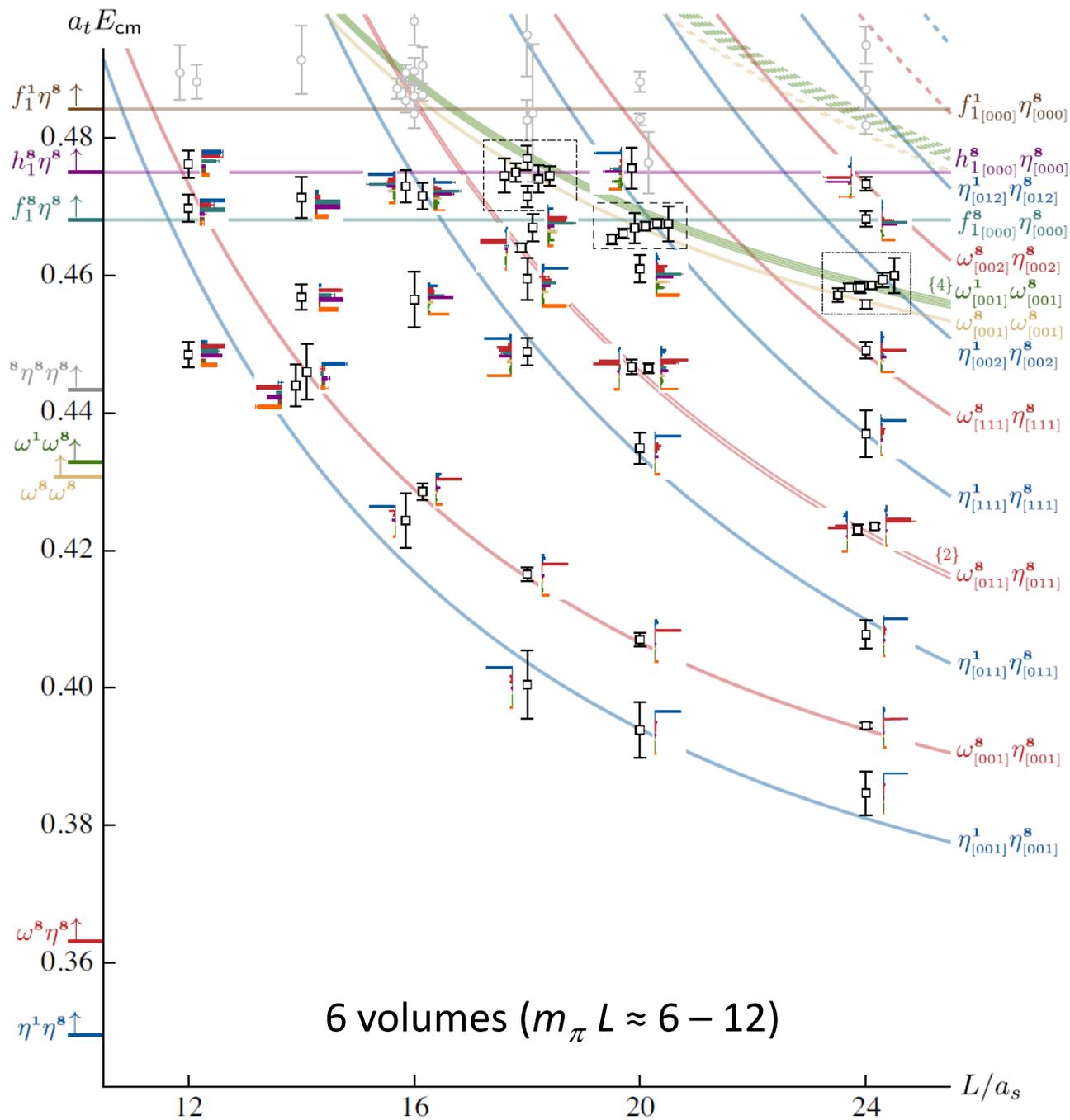
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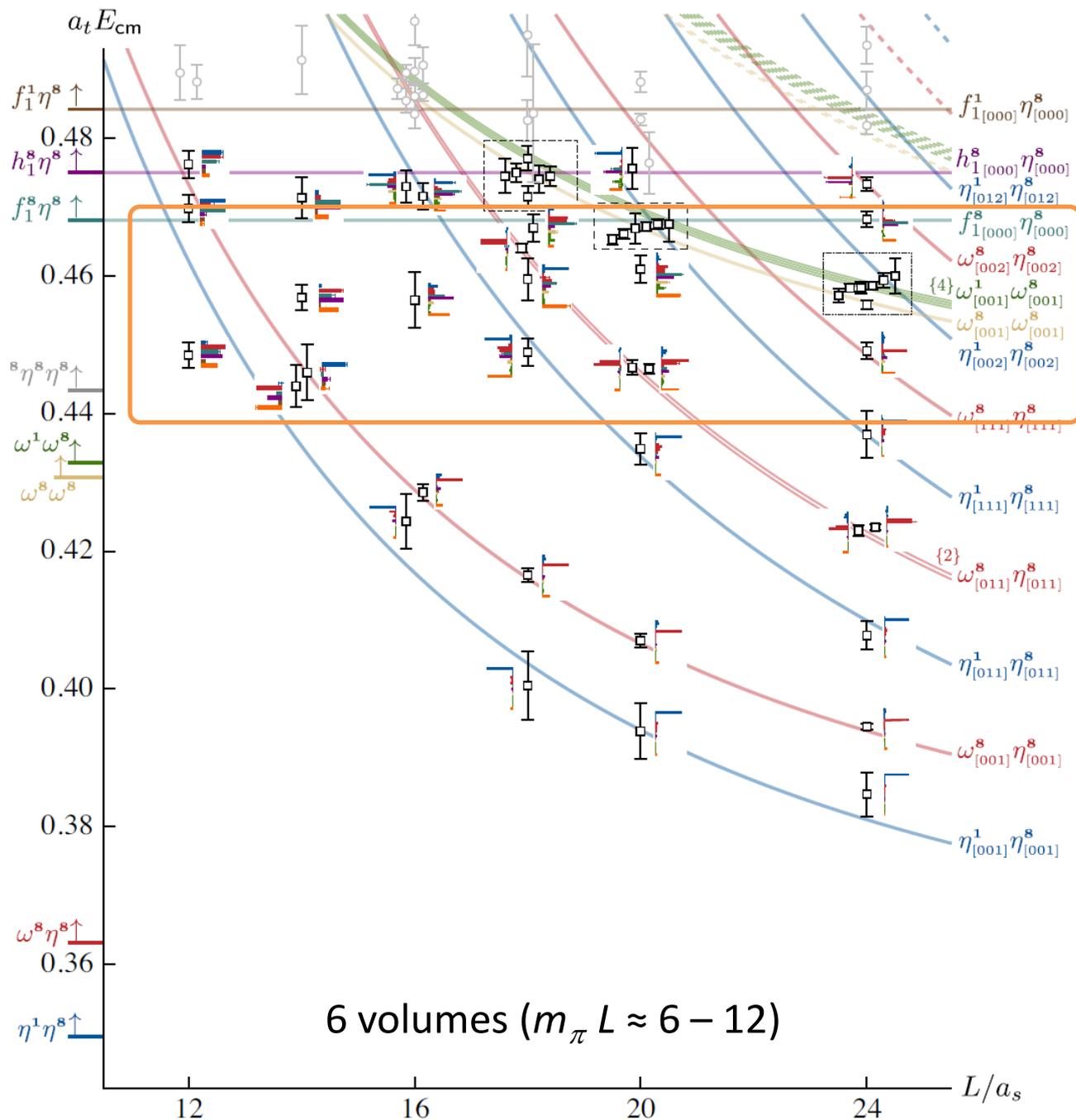
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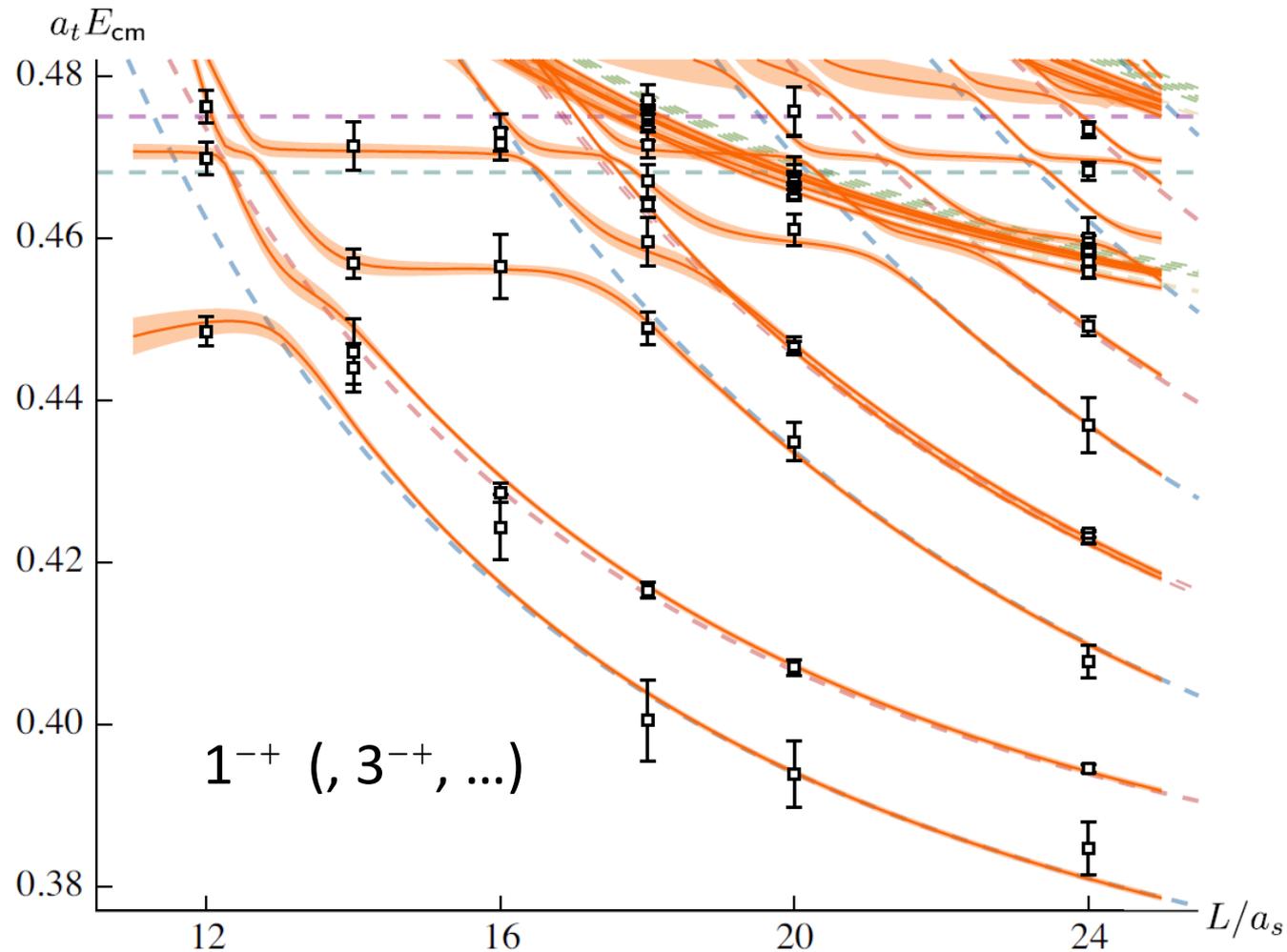
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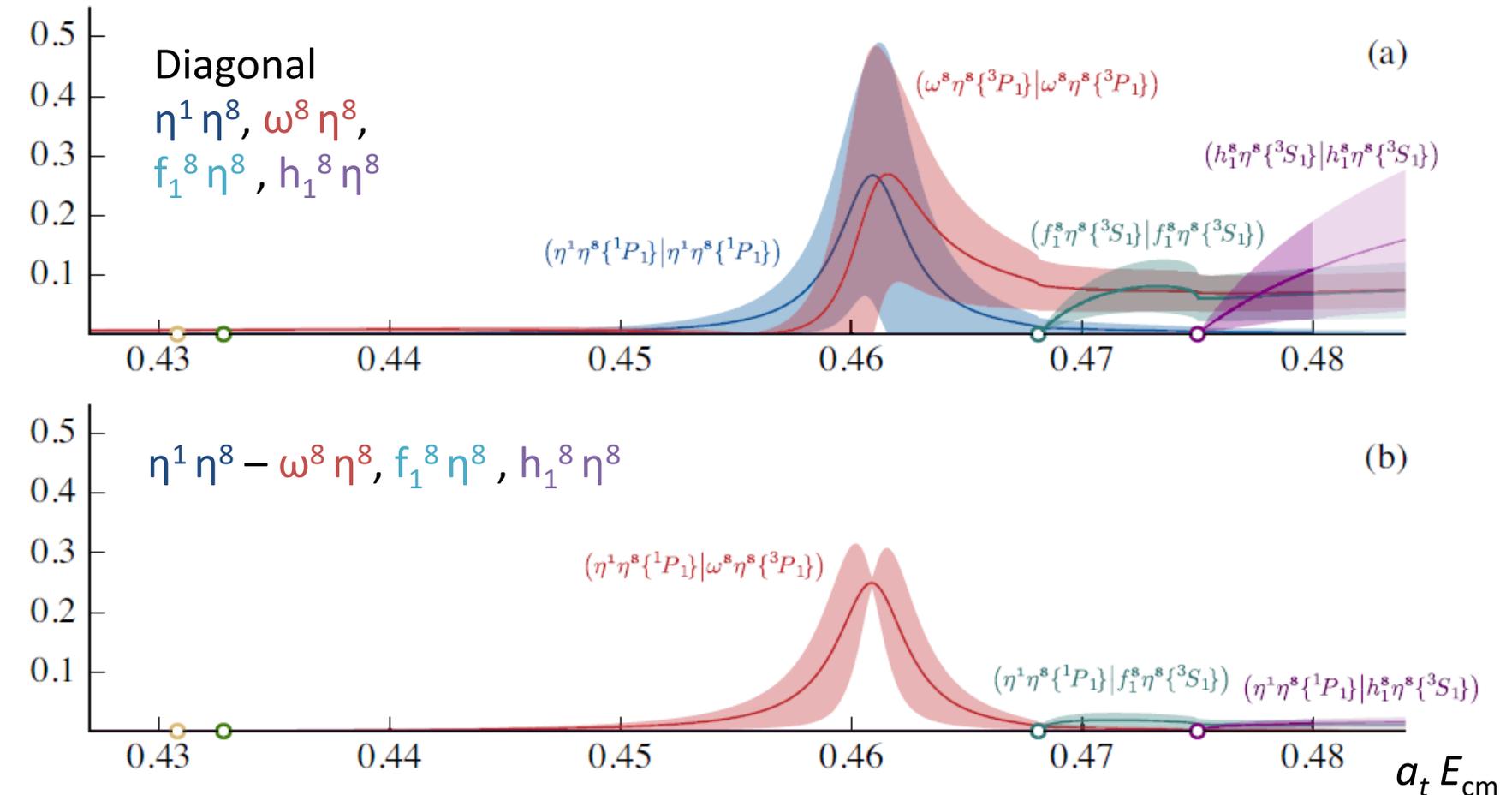
$$\begin{aligned}\chi^2/N_{\text{dof}} &= 43.6/(53 - 11) \\ &= 1.04\end{aligned}$$



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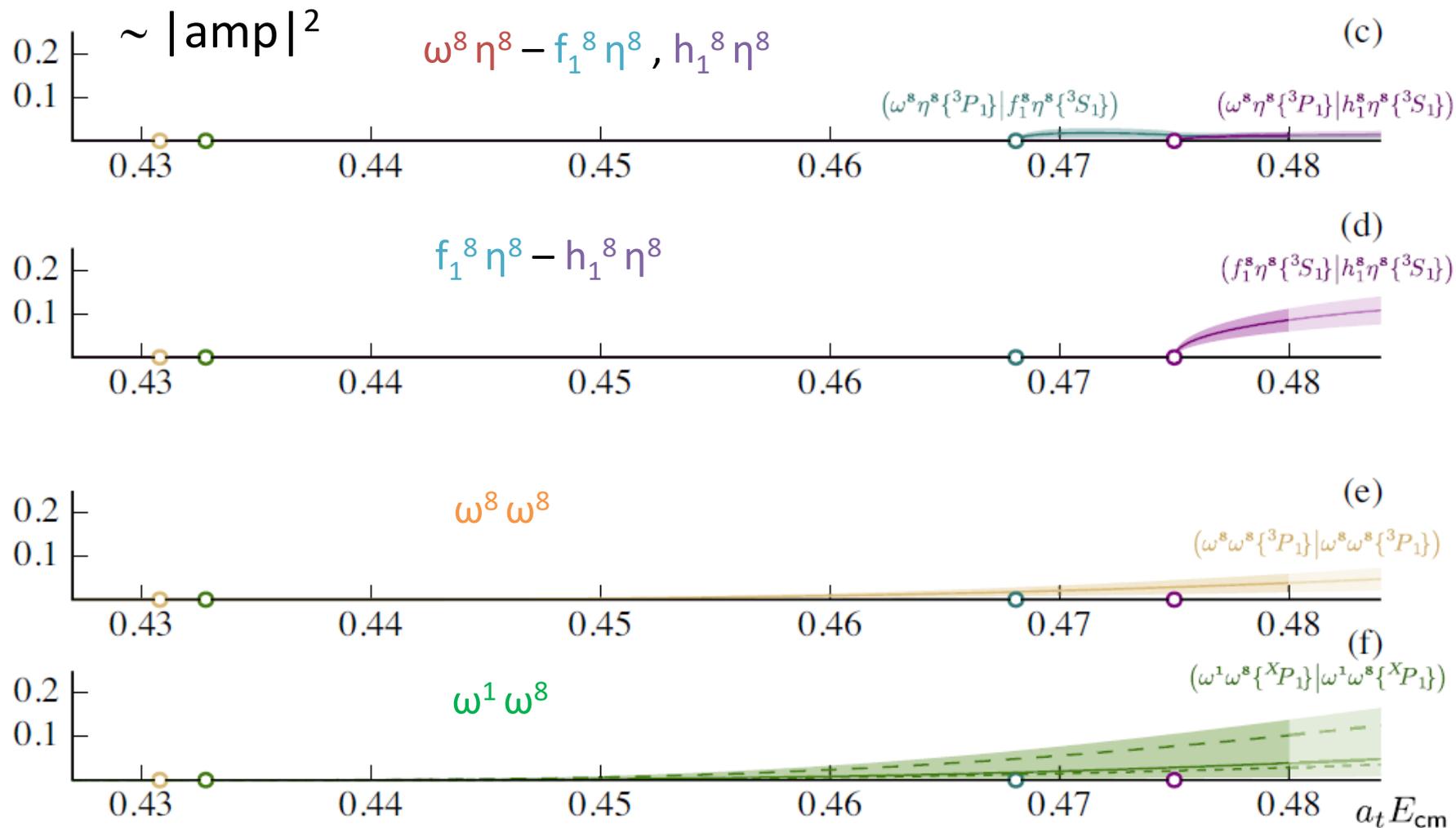
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$$\rho_a \rho_b |t_{ab}|^2 \sim |\text{amp}|^2$$



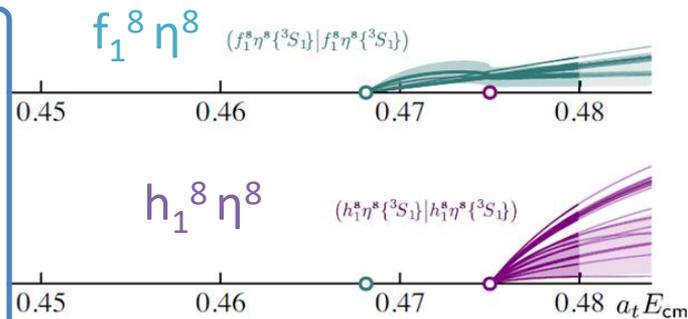
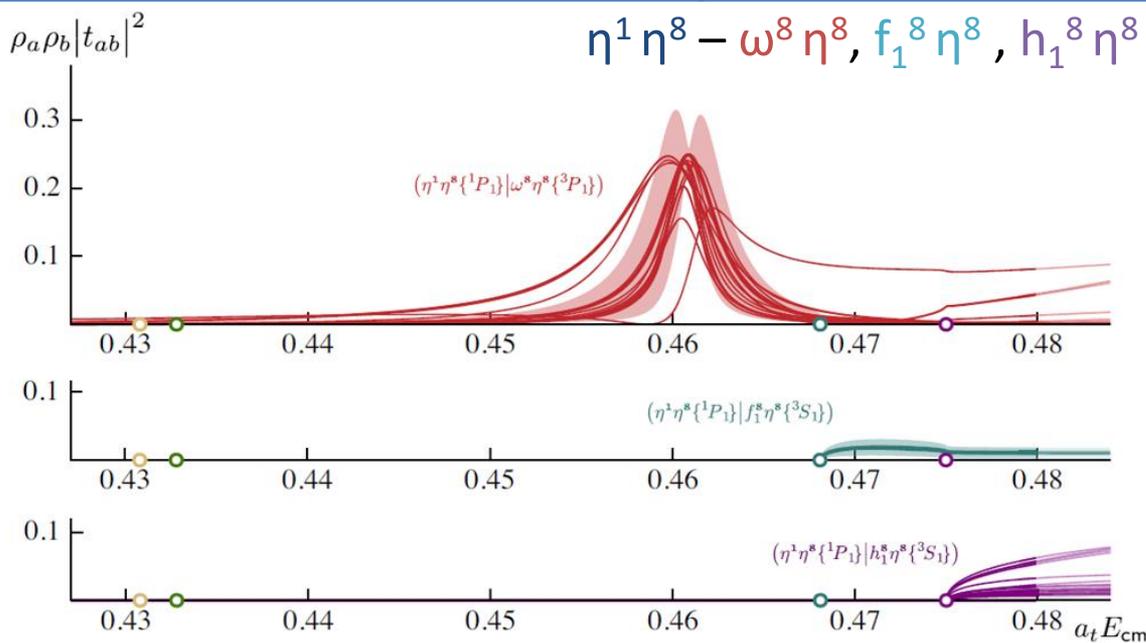
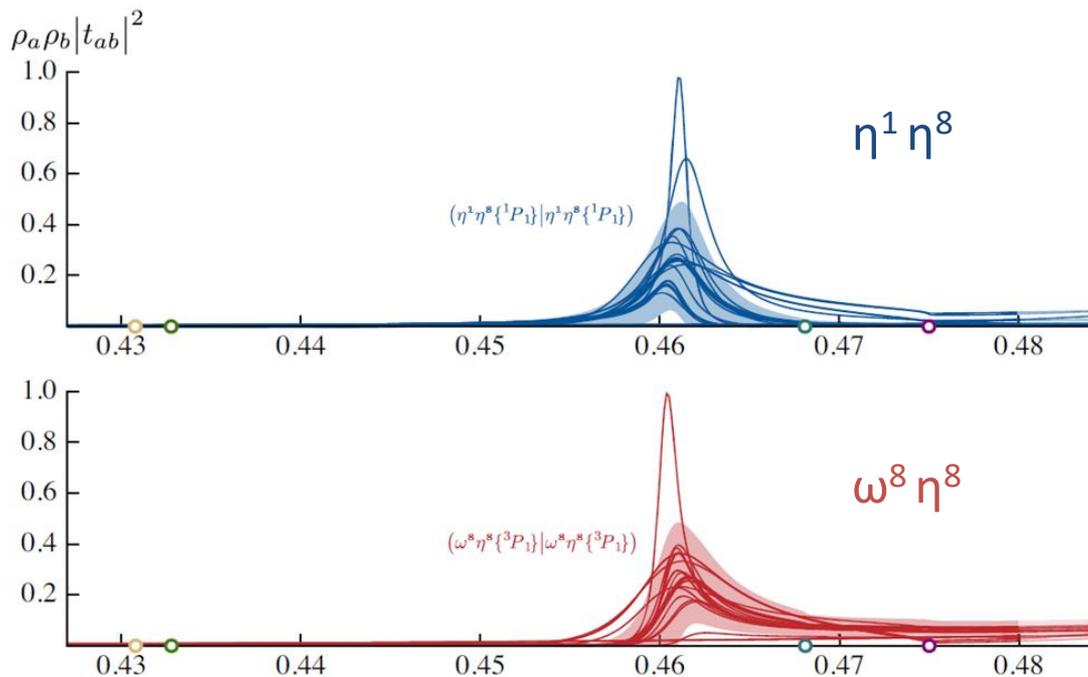
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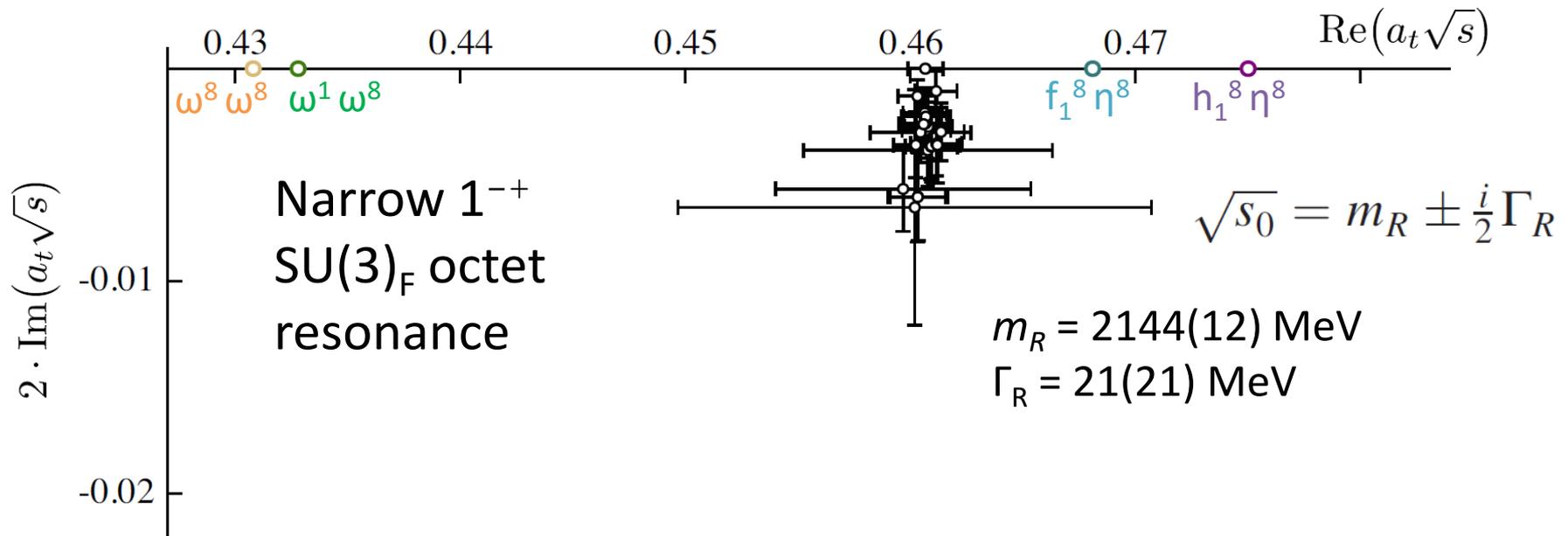
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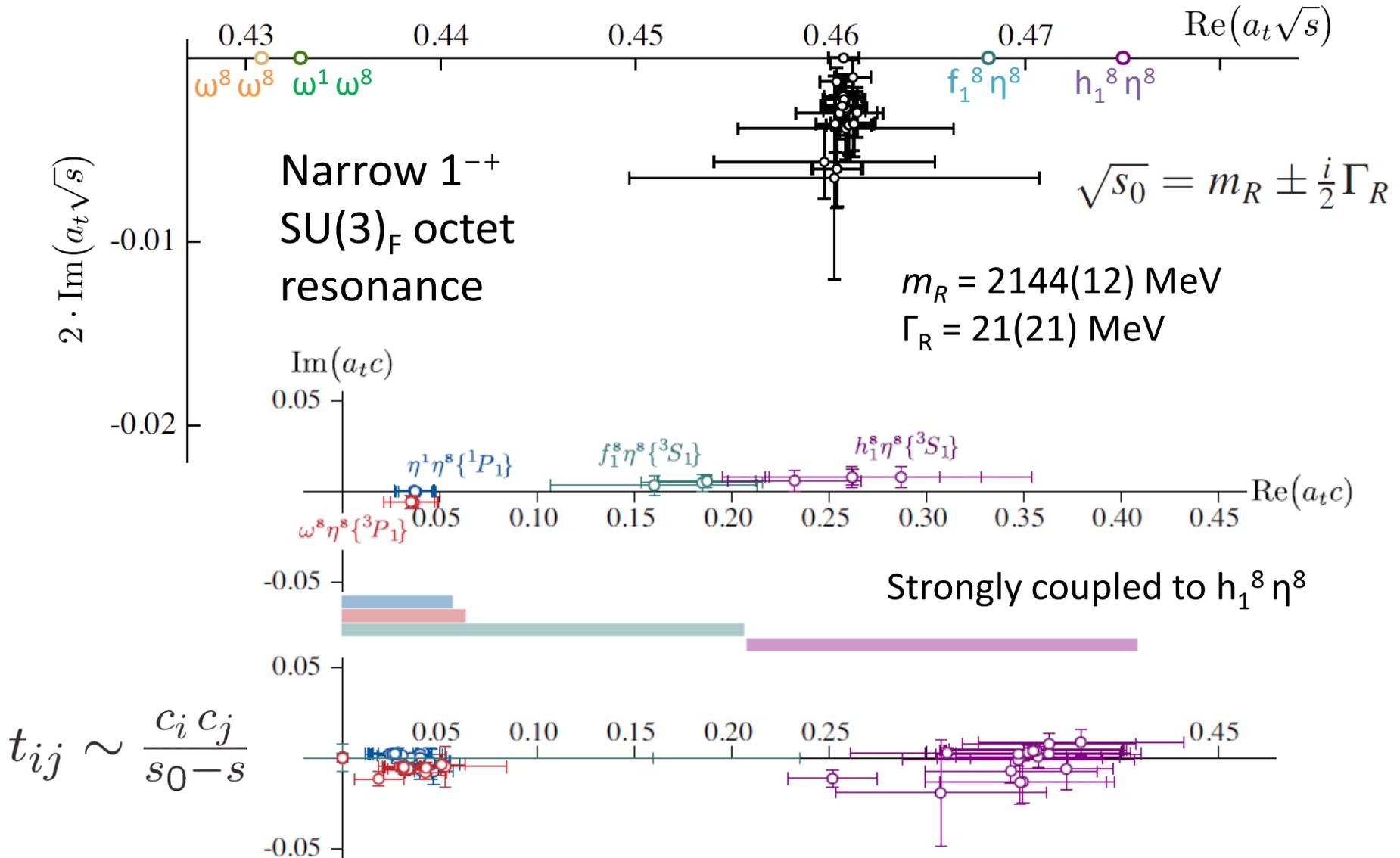
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LQCD calc in McNeile & Michael [PR D73, 074506 (2006)]:

consider setup with  $m_\pi \approx 500$  MeV,  $m_{\pi_1} = m_{b_1} + m_\pi$

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- With  $SU(3)_F$  sym and  $m_\pi \approx 700$  MeV: **narrow resonance** in flavour-octet  $1^{-+}$  channel.
- Weak coupling to open channels, strong coupling to at least one closed axial-vector–pseudoscalar channel.
- Simple extrapolation to physical masses, breaking  $SU(3)_F$   
→ potentially **broad resonance** with large decay to  $b_1\pi$   
(would →  $\omega\pi\pi$  →  $\pi\pi\pi\pi$ )
- Calculation with lighter light-quarks? (three-meson decays...)
- Other exotic quantum numbers?

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