

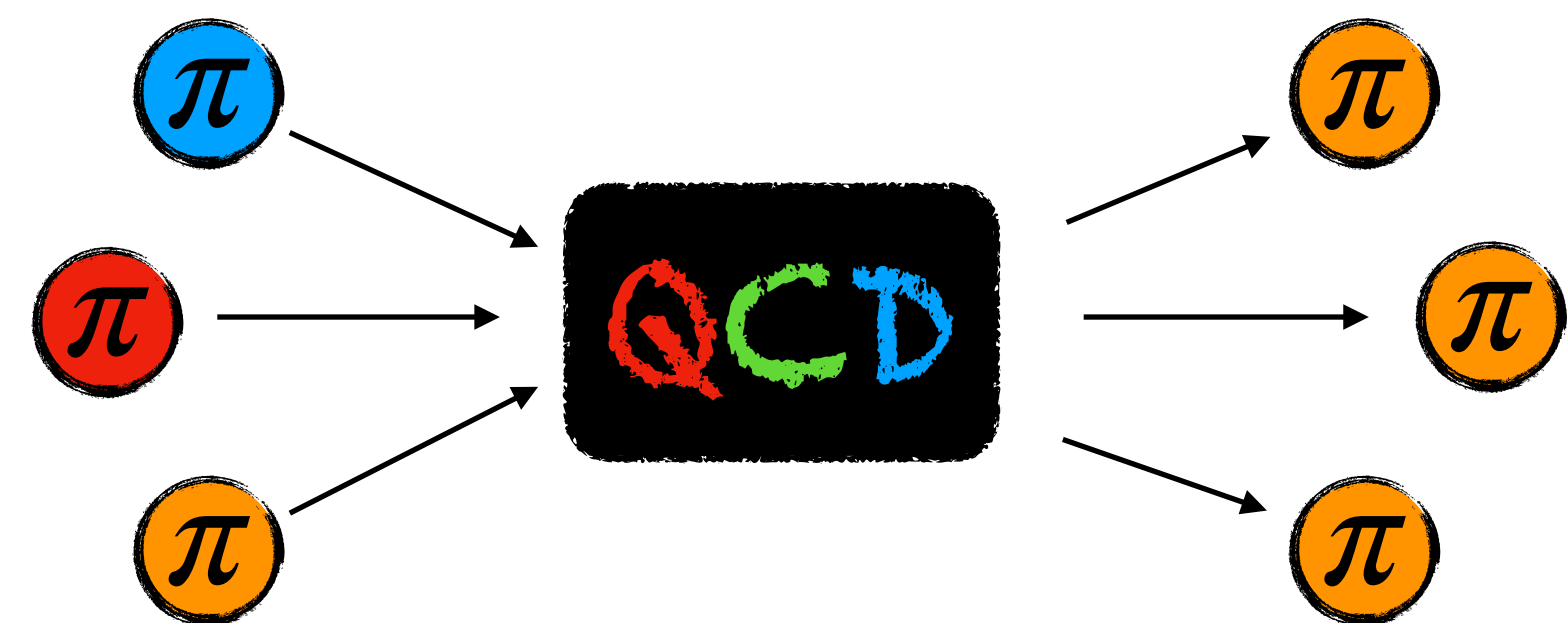
Three-particle scattering amplitudes from lattice QCD

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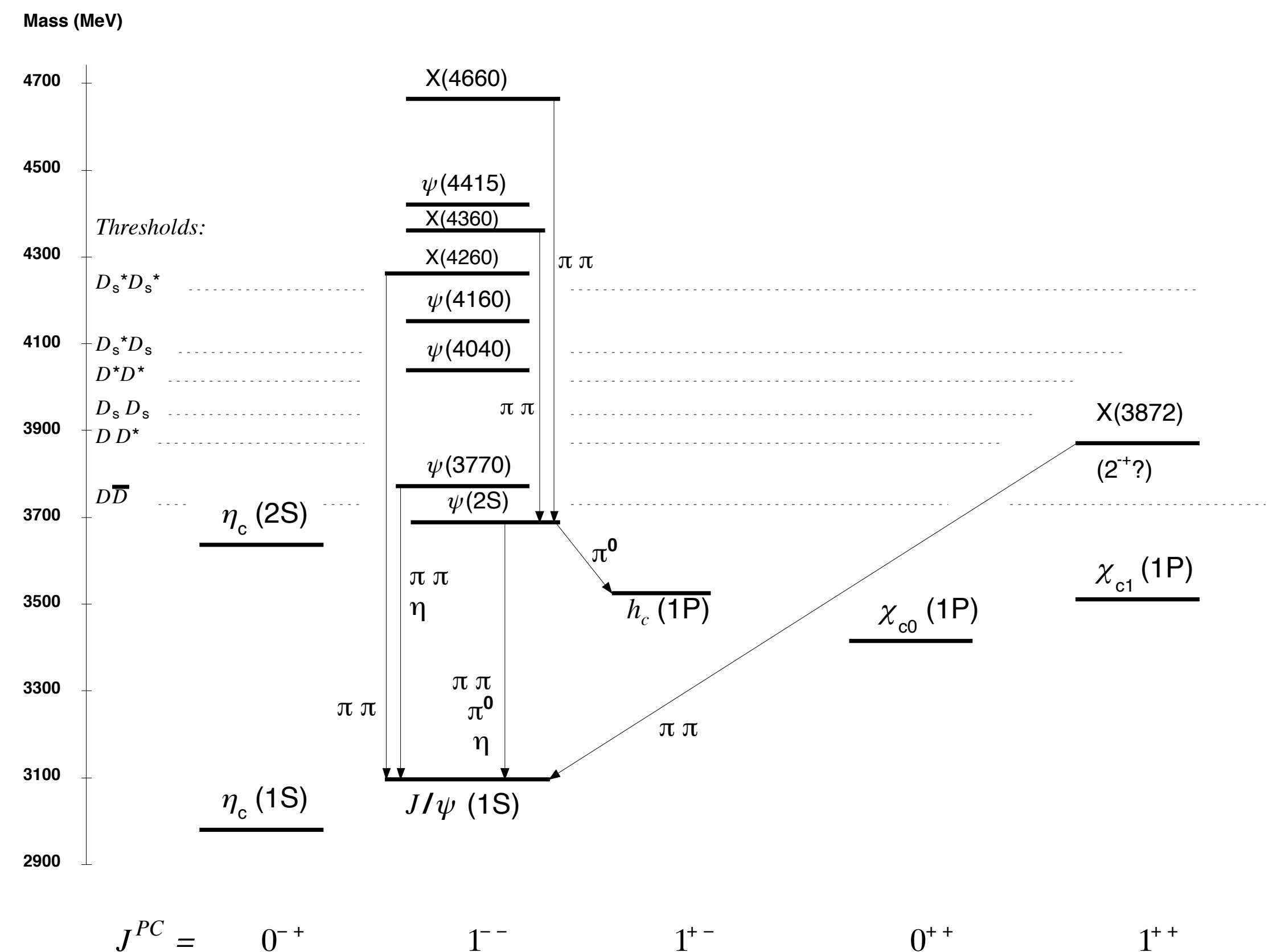
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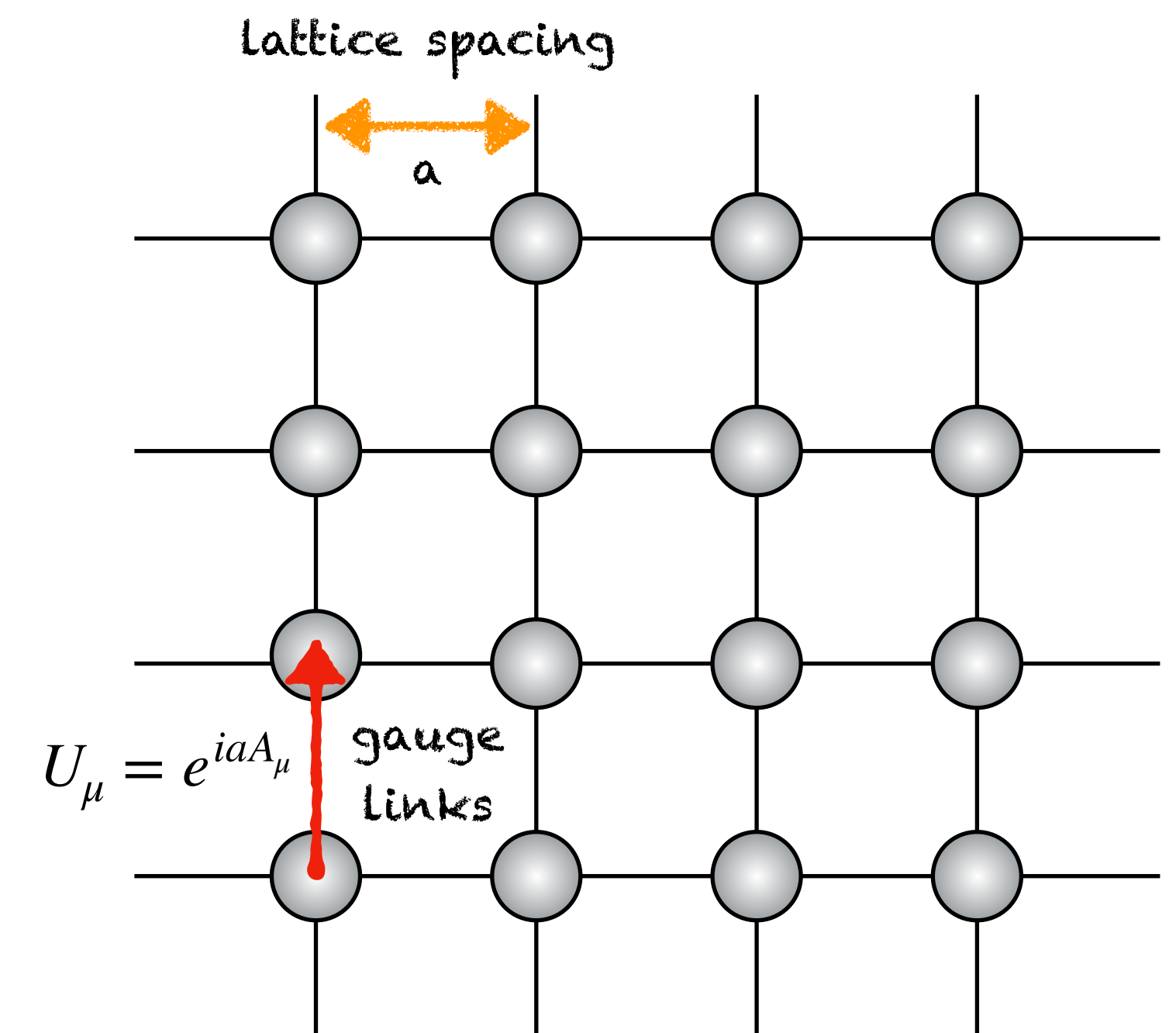
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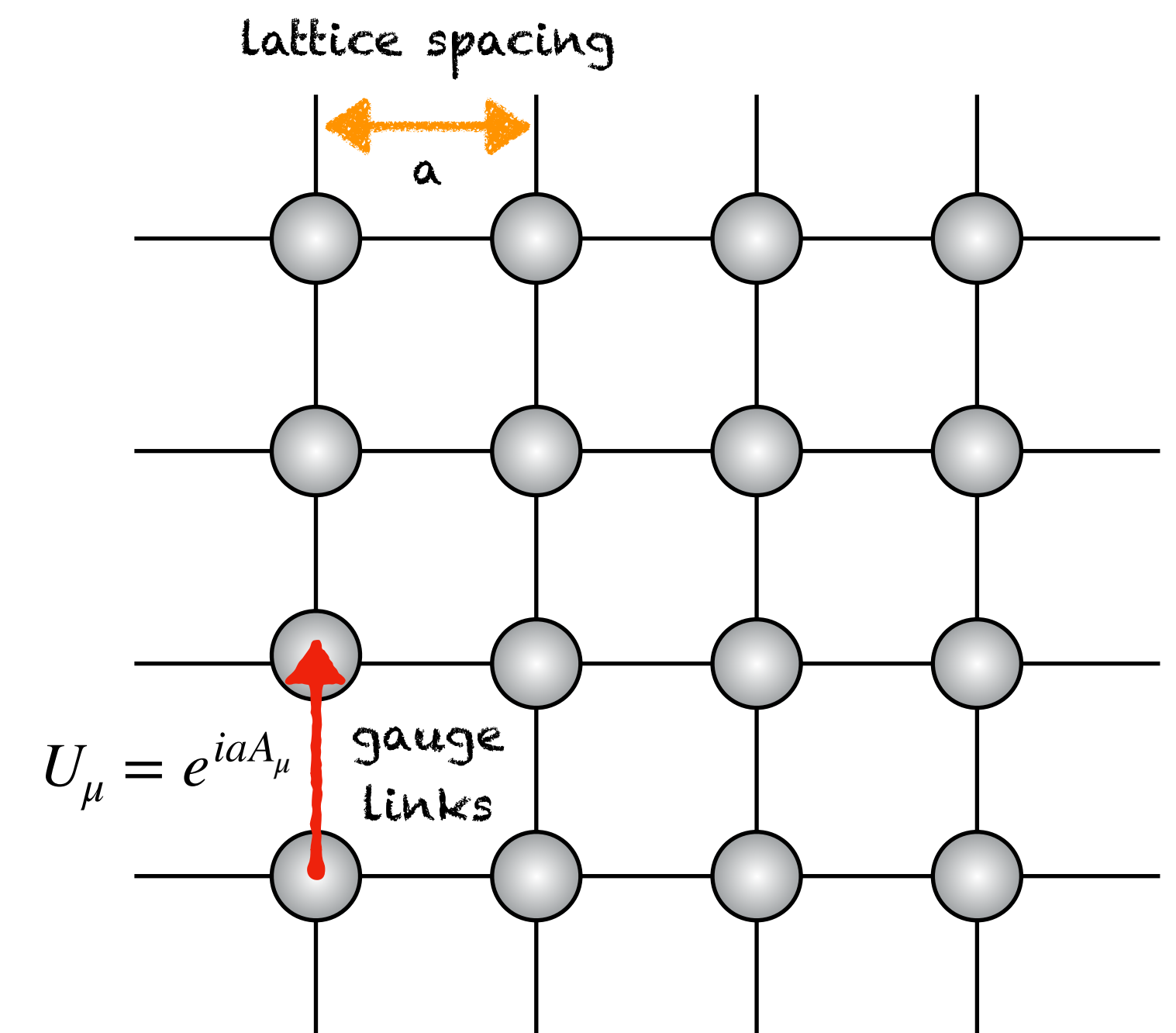
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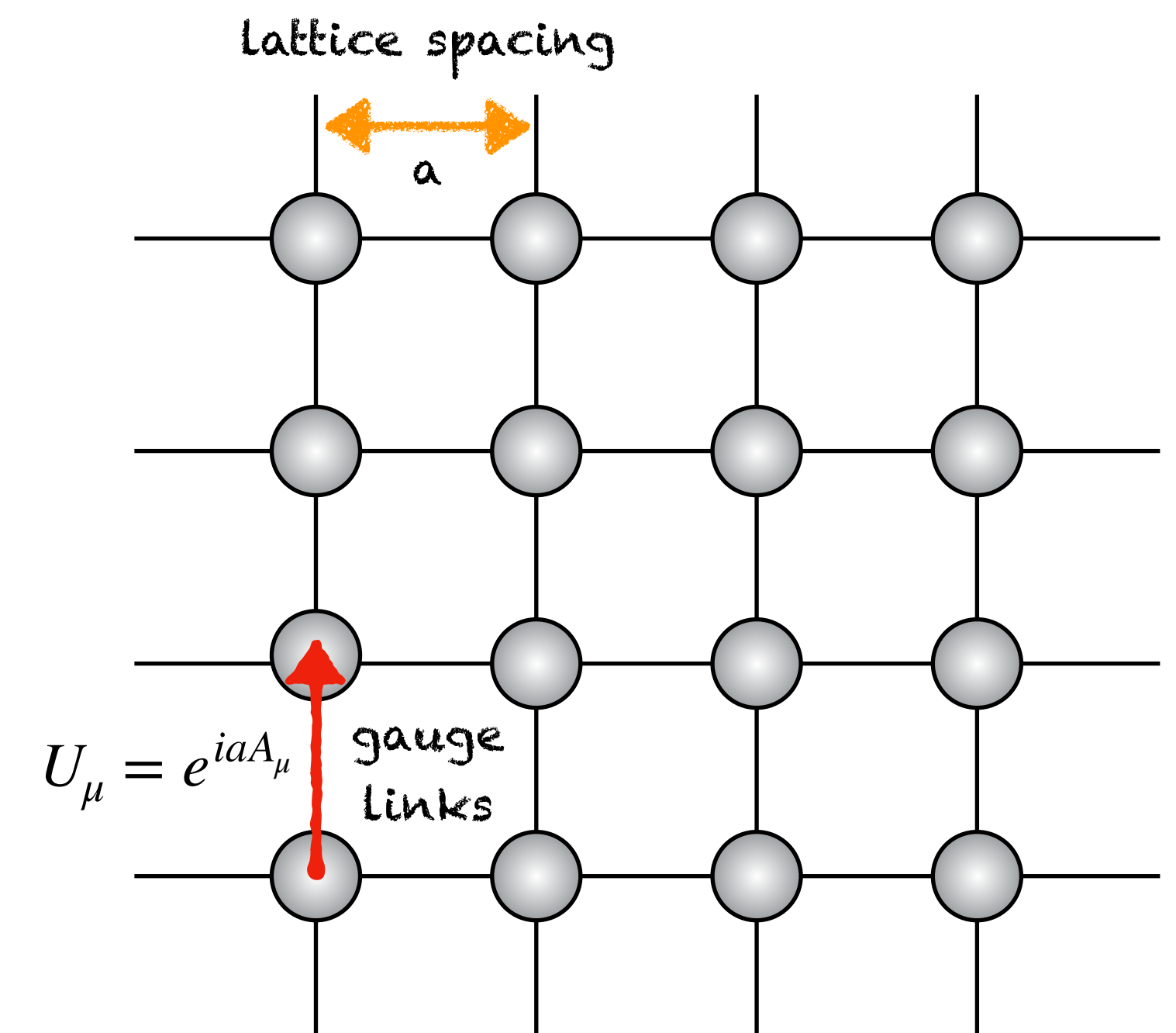


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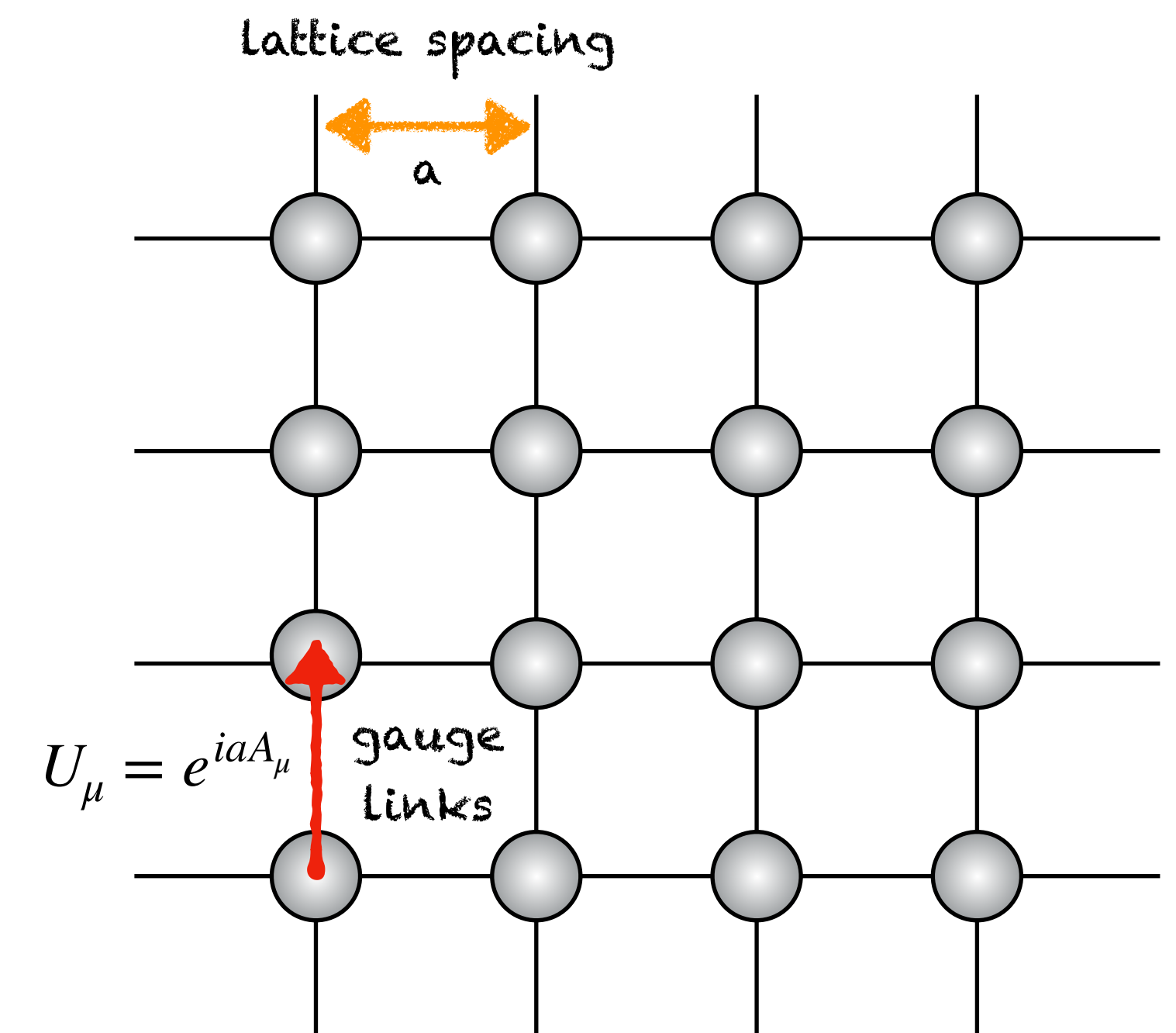
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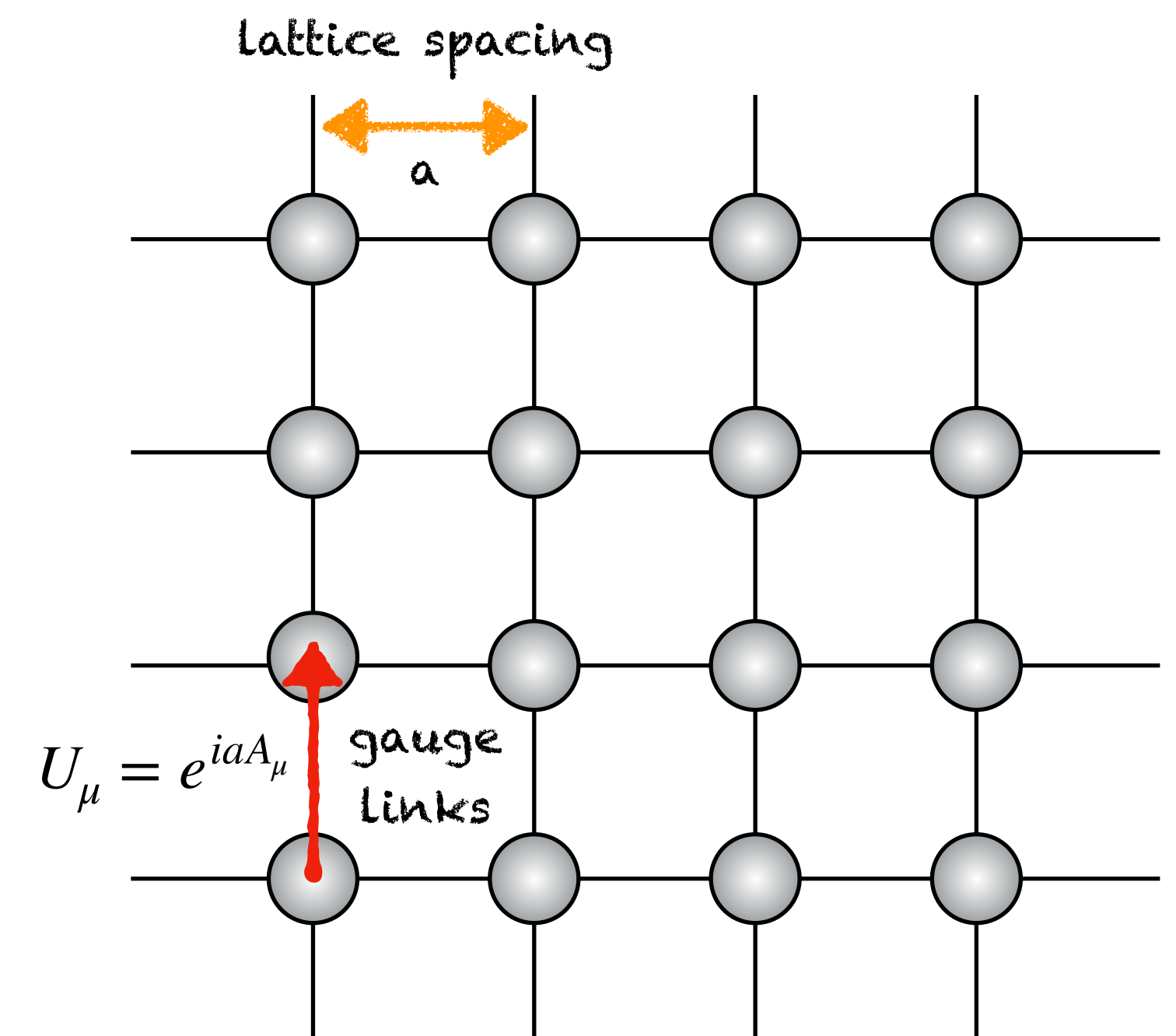
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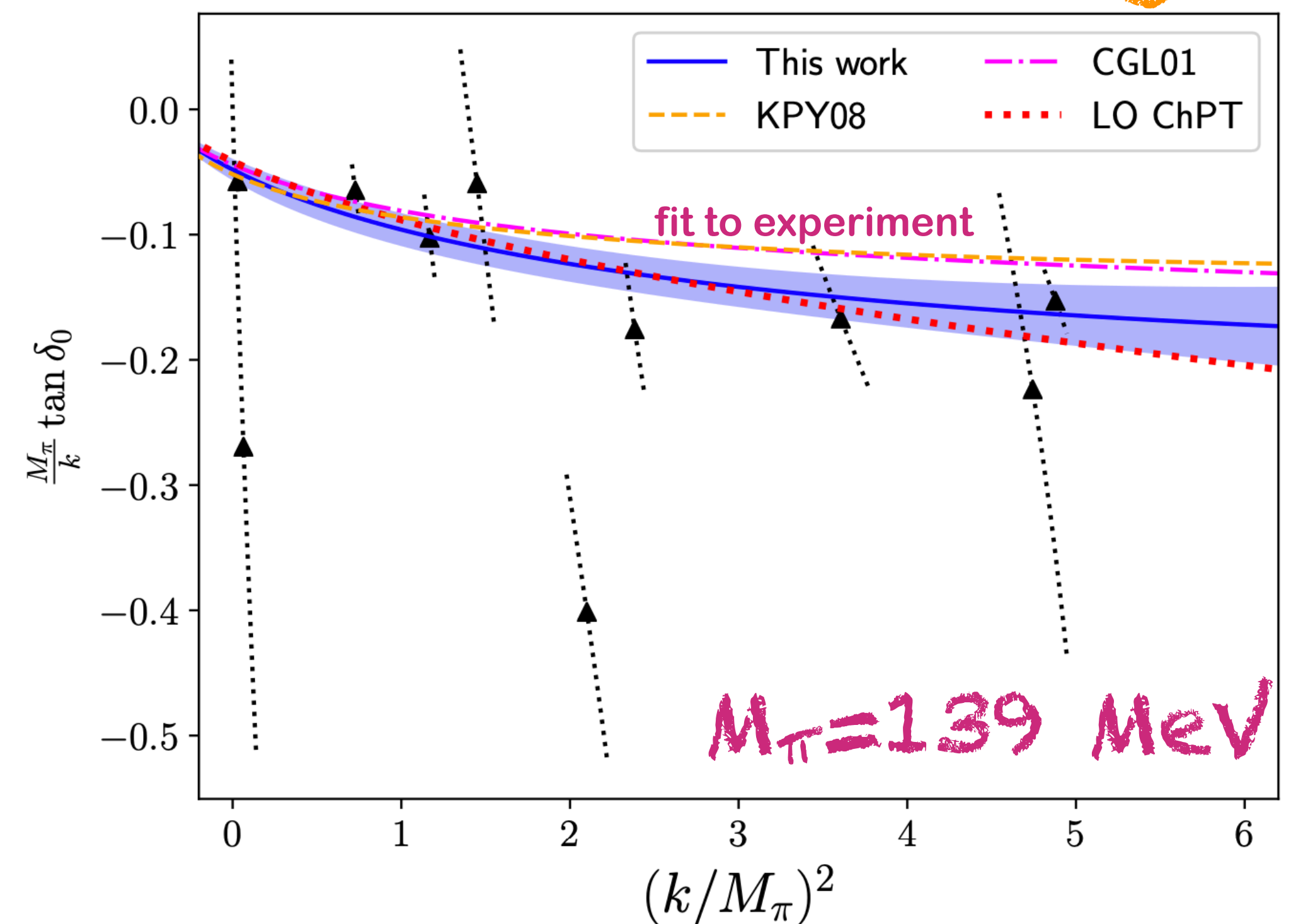
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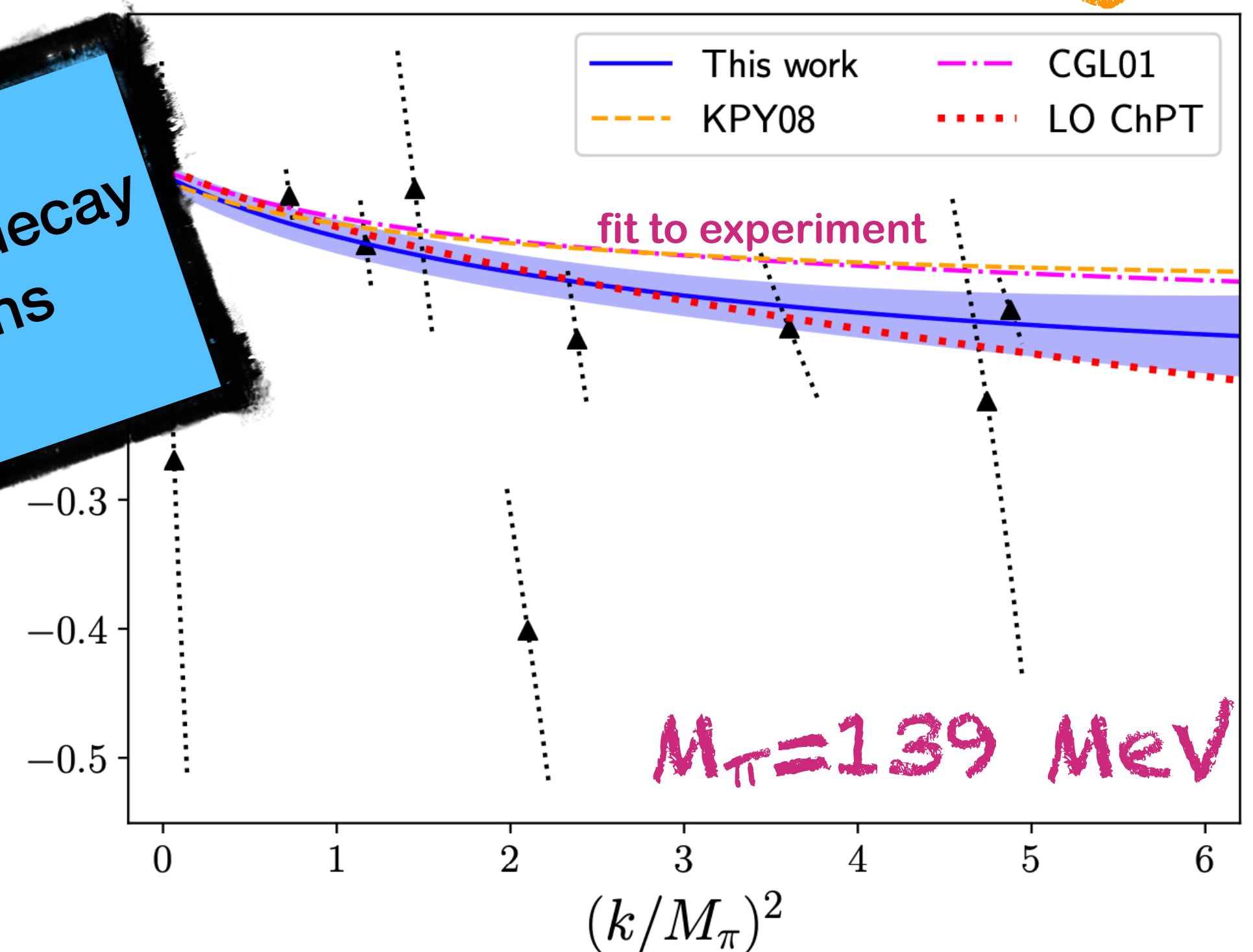
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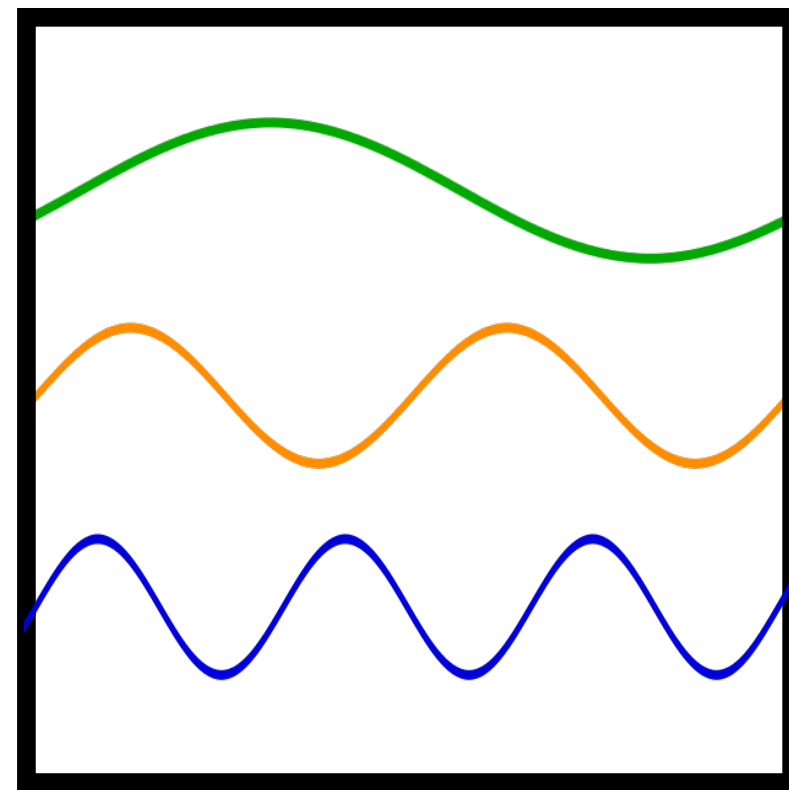
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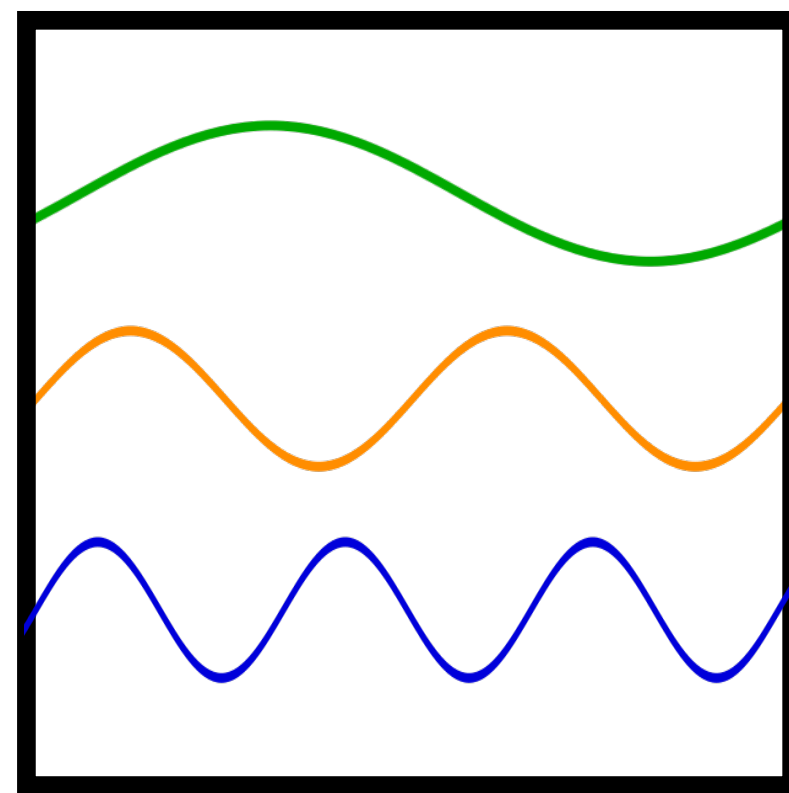
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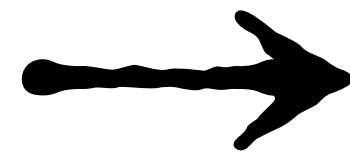


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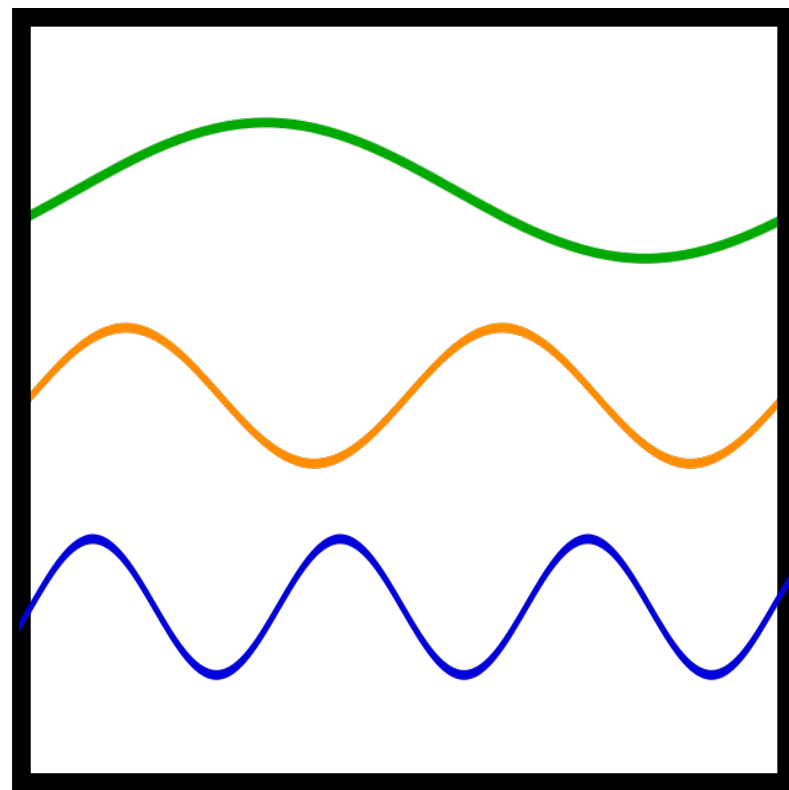
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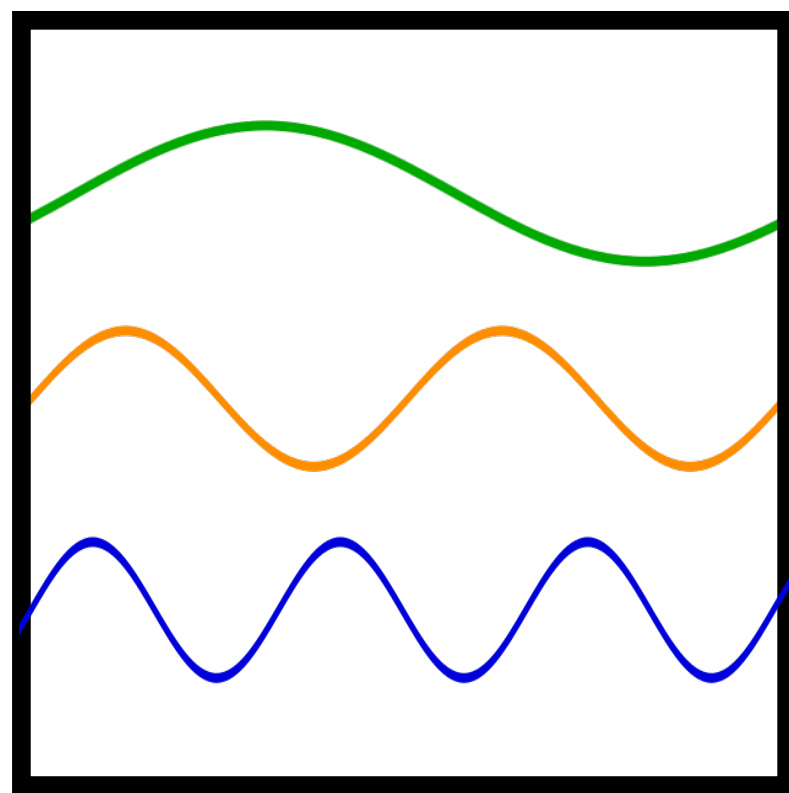


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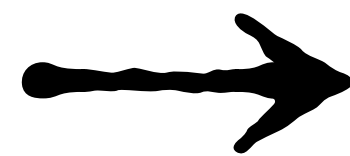
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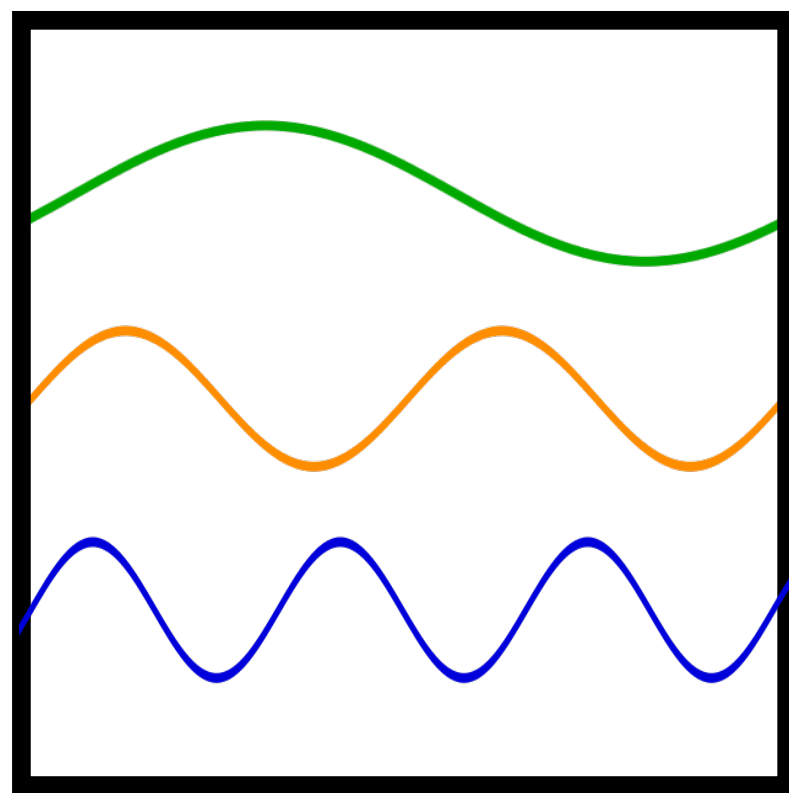
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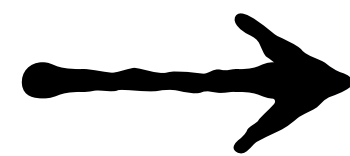
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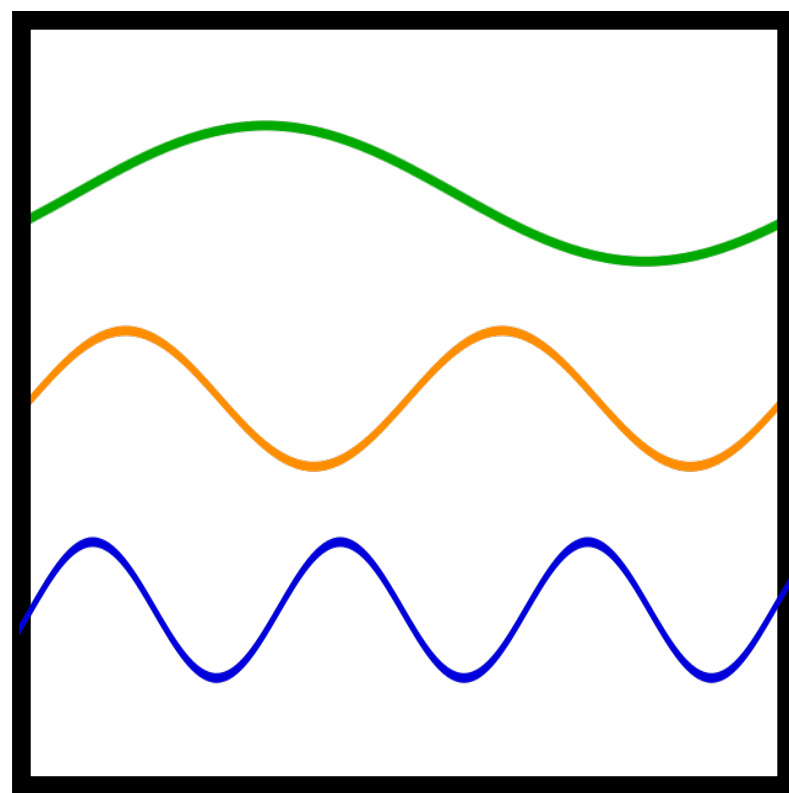
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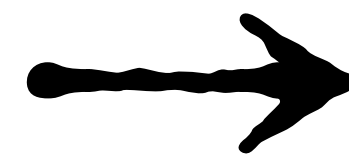
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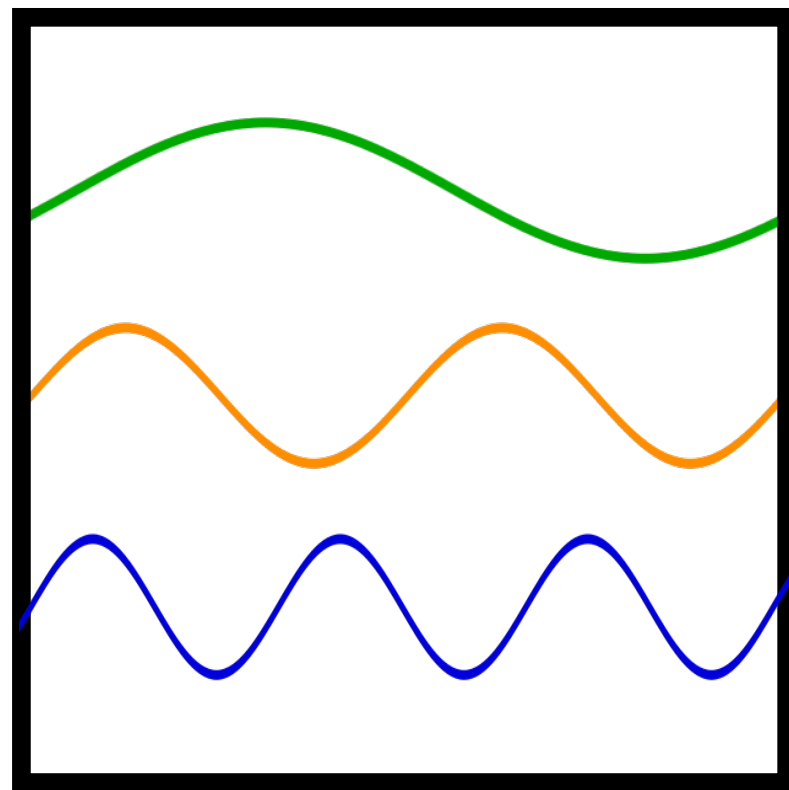
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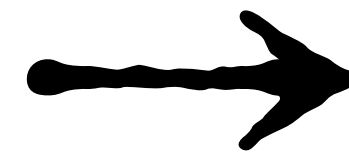
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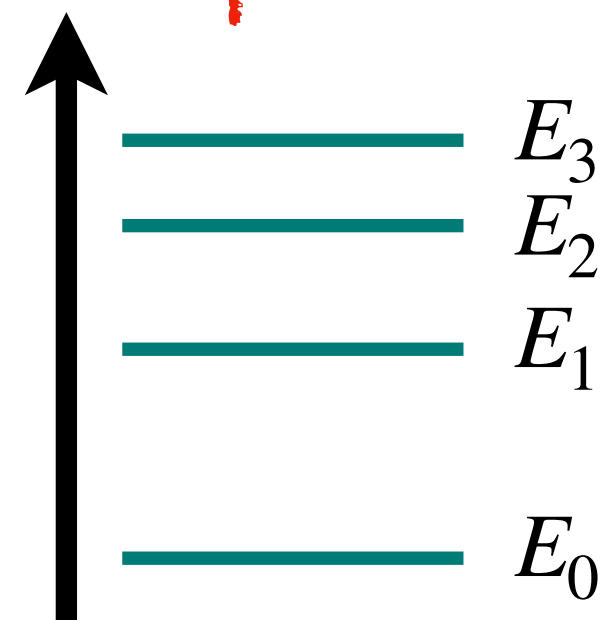
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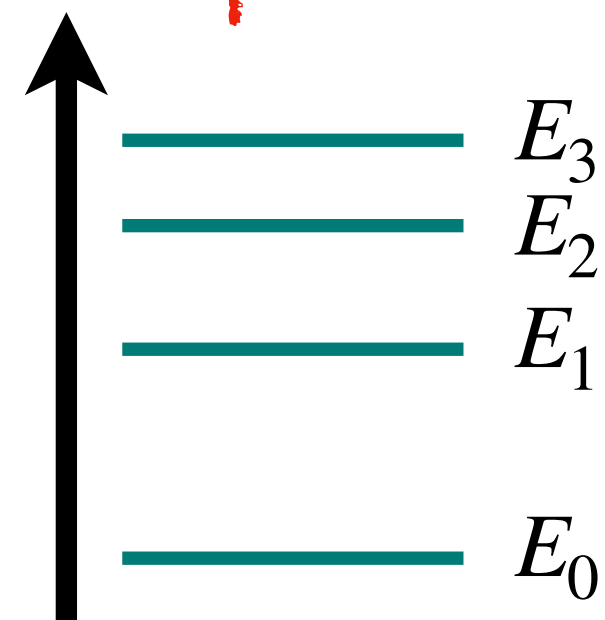


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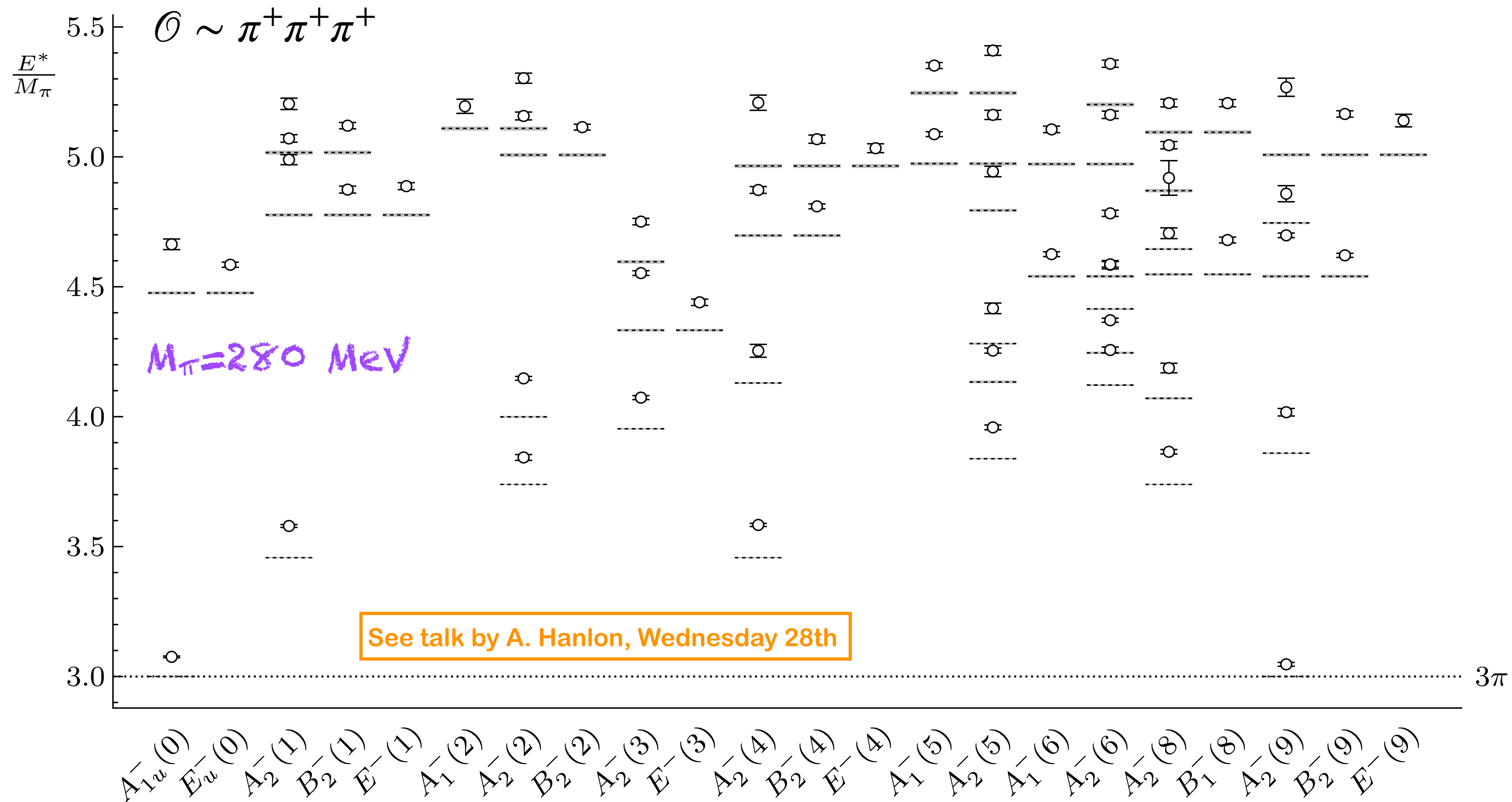
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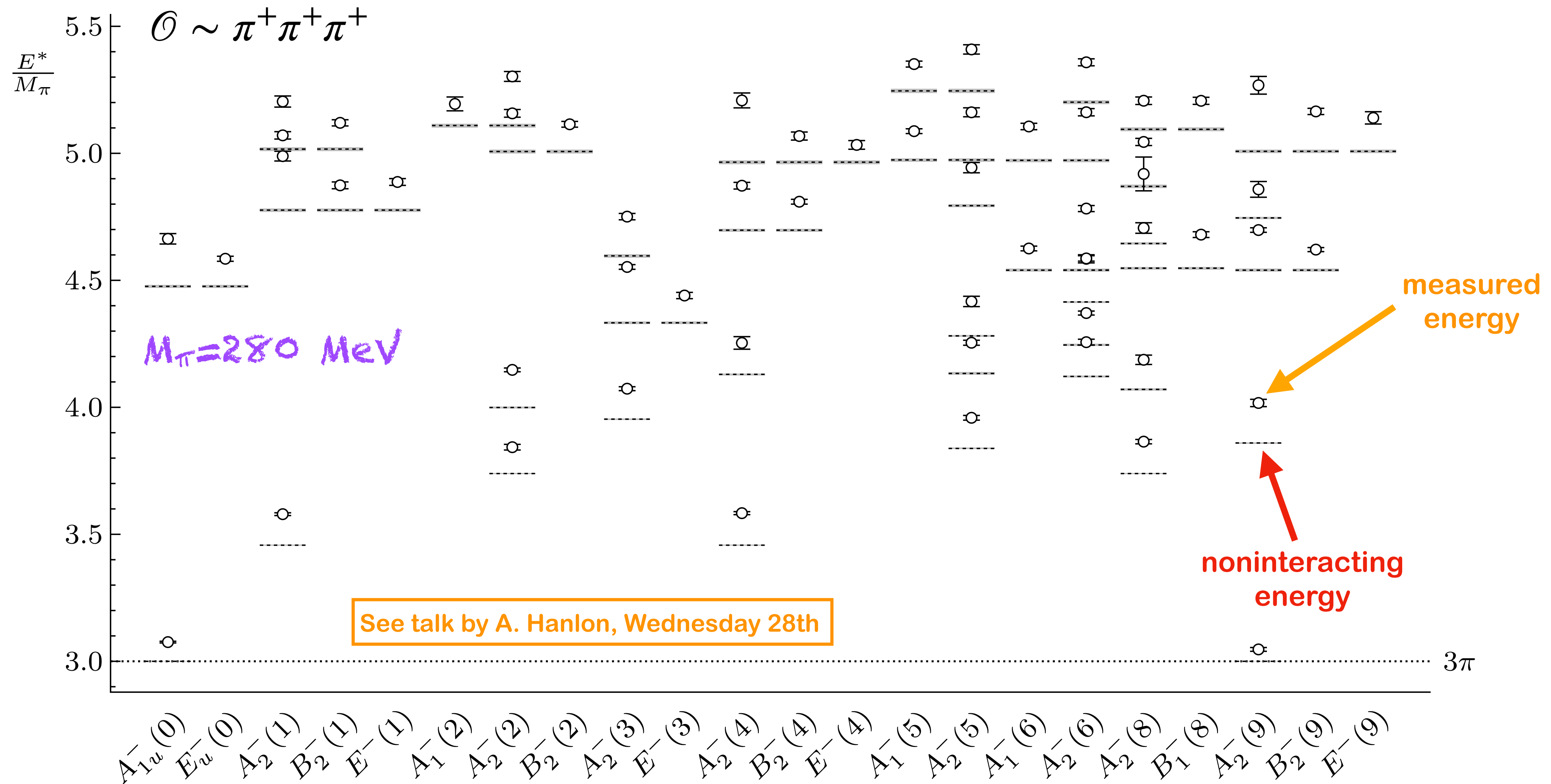
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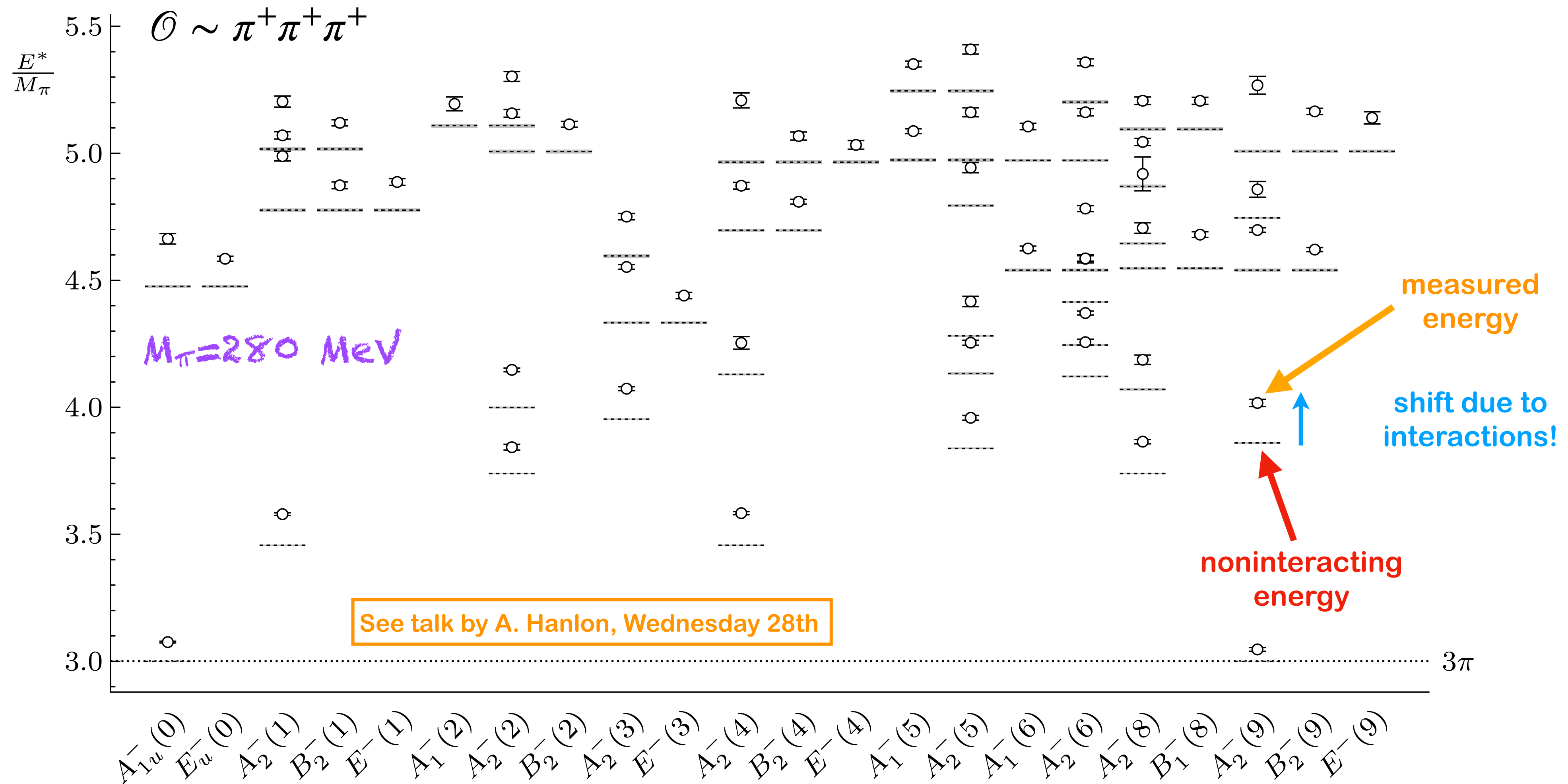
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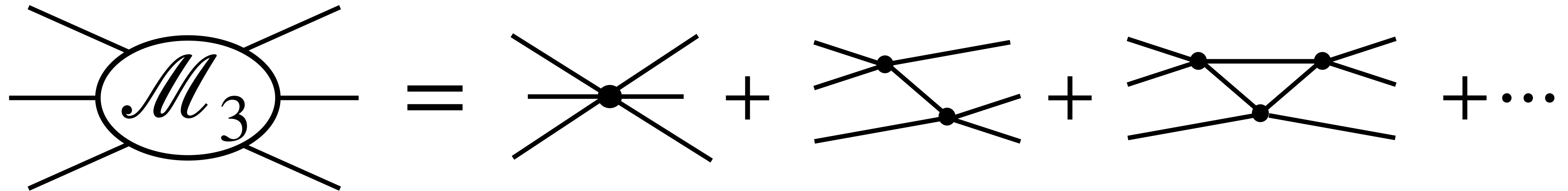


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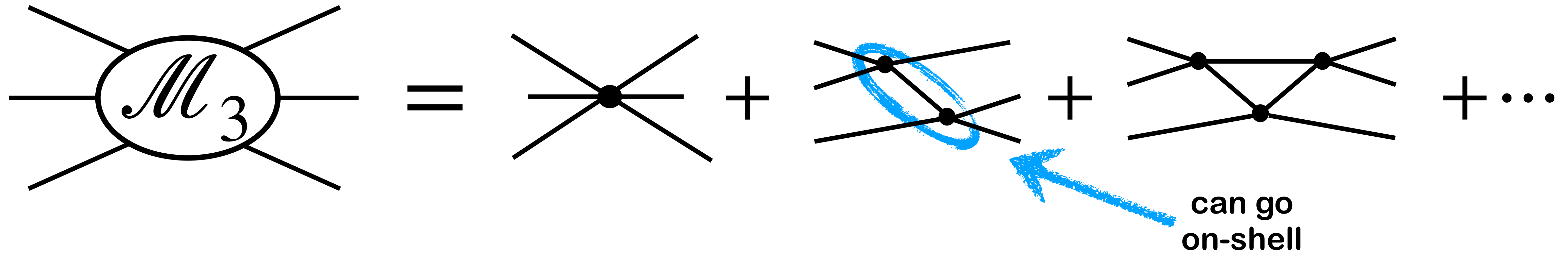
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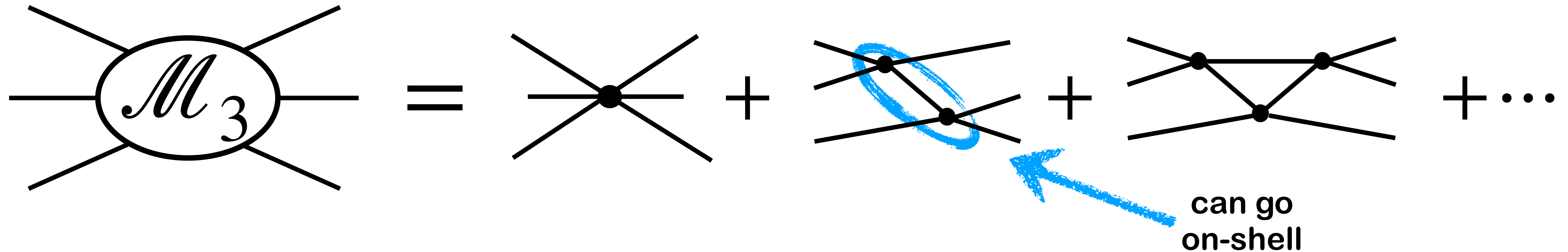
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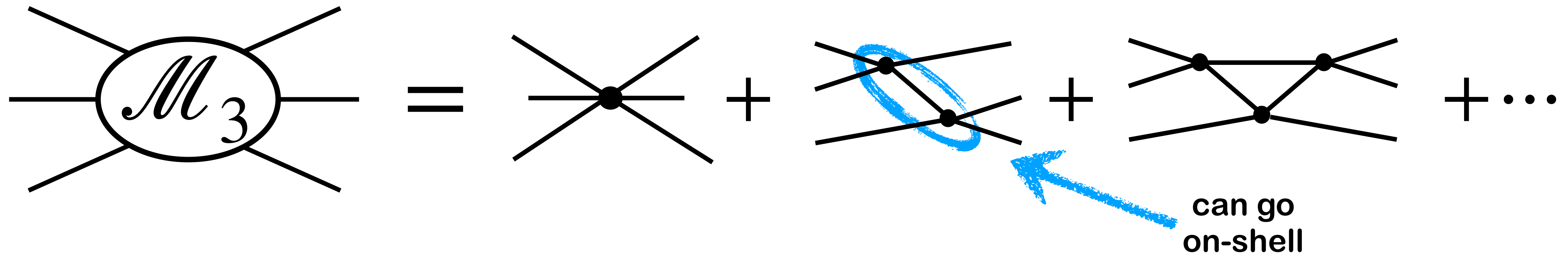
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Explicitly shown for FVU and RFT!
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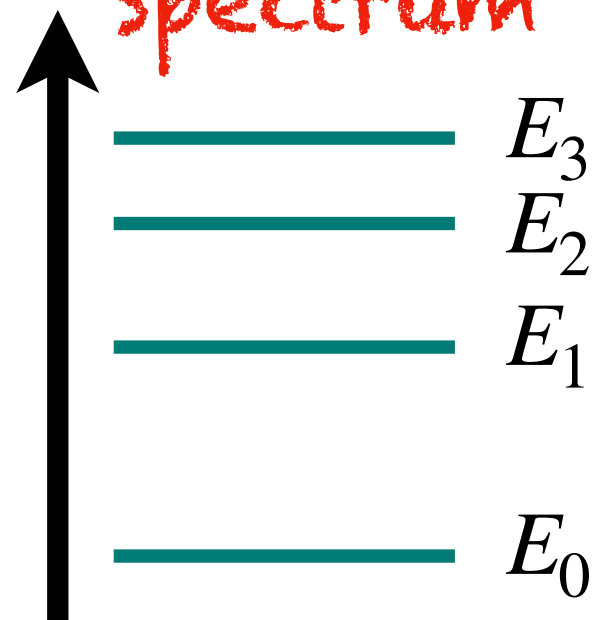
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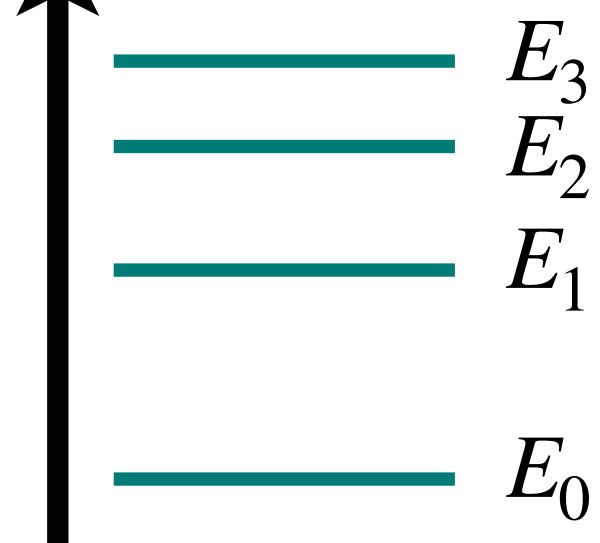
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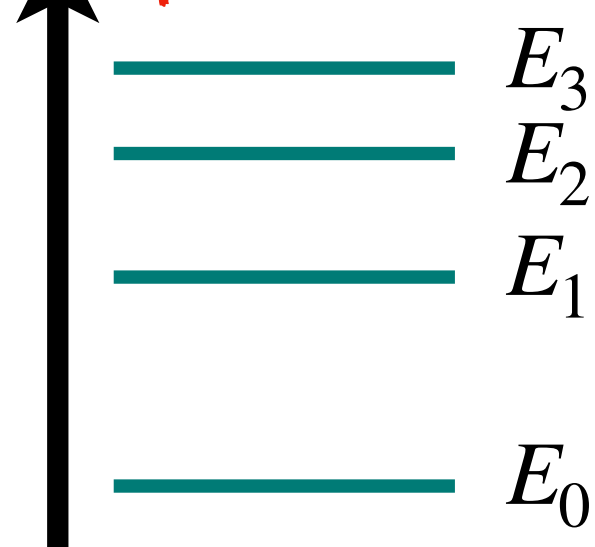


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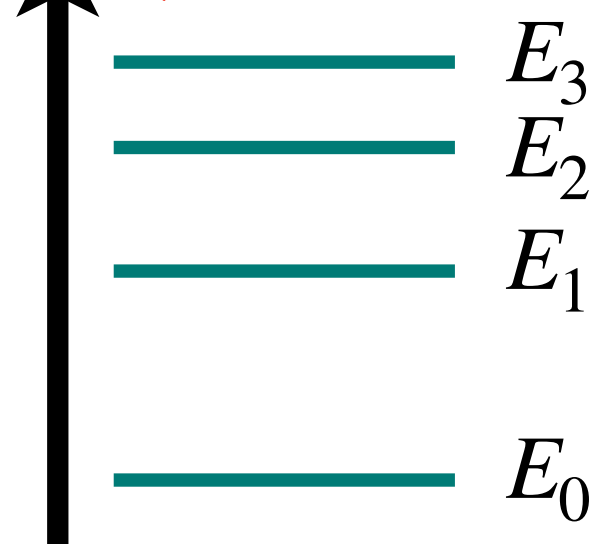
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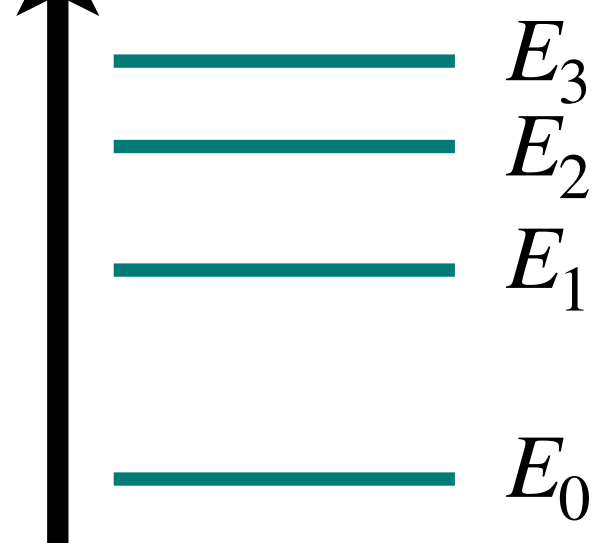
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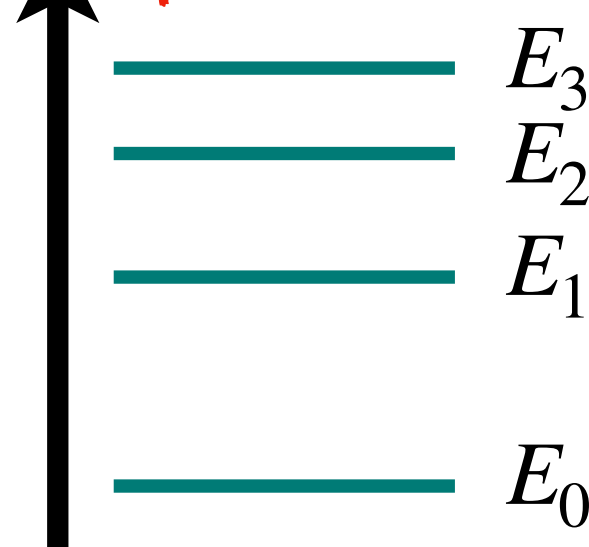
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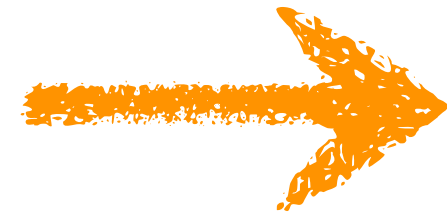
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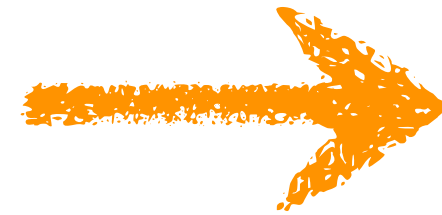
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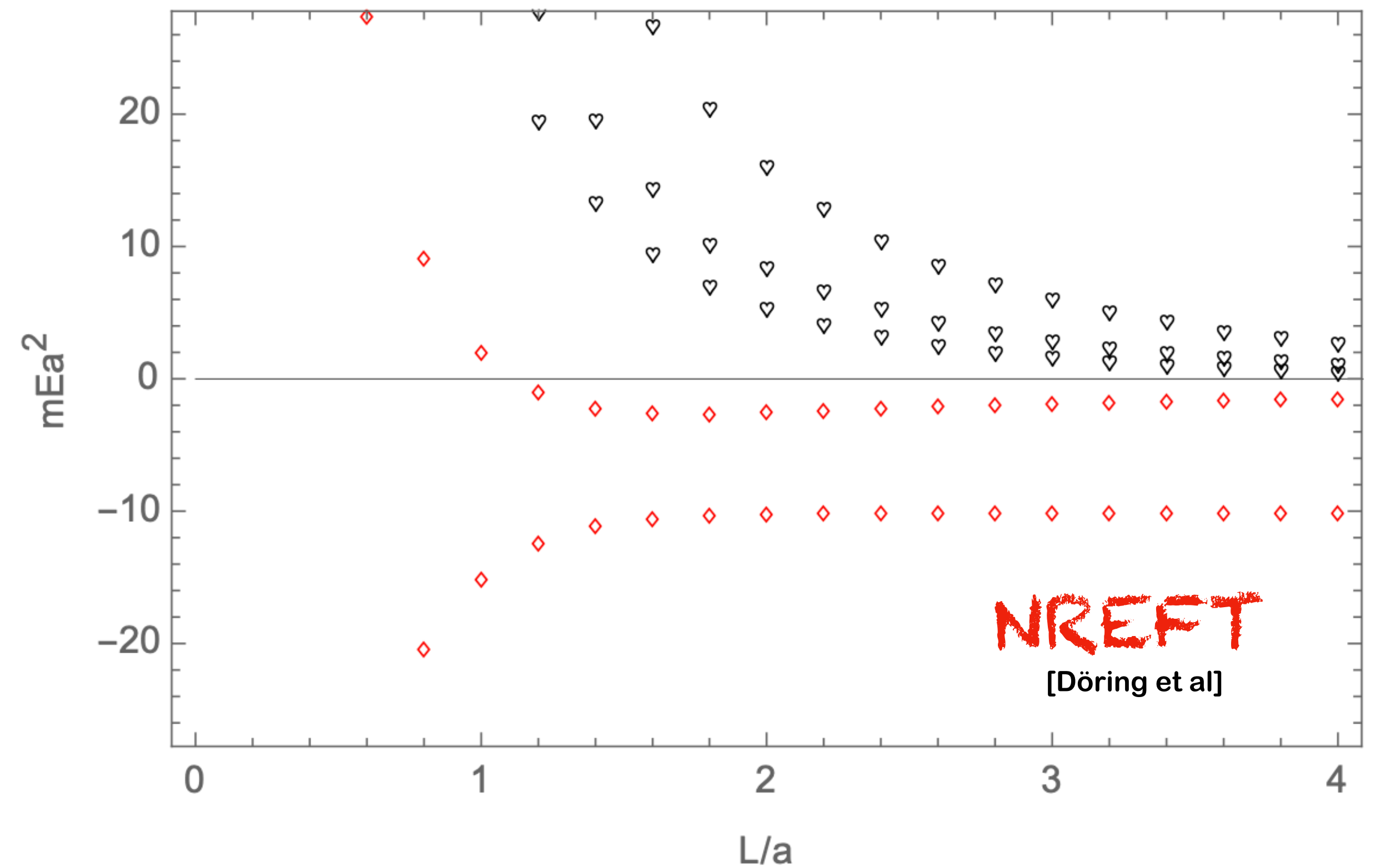
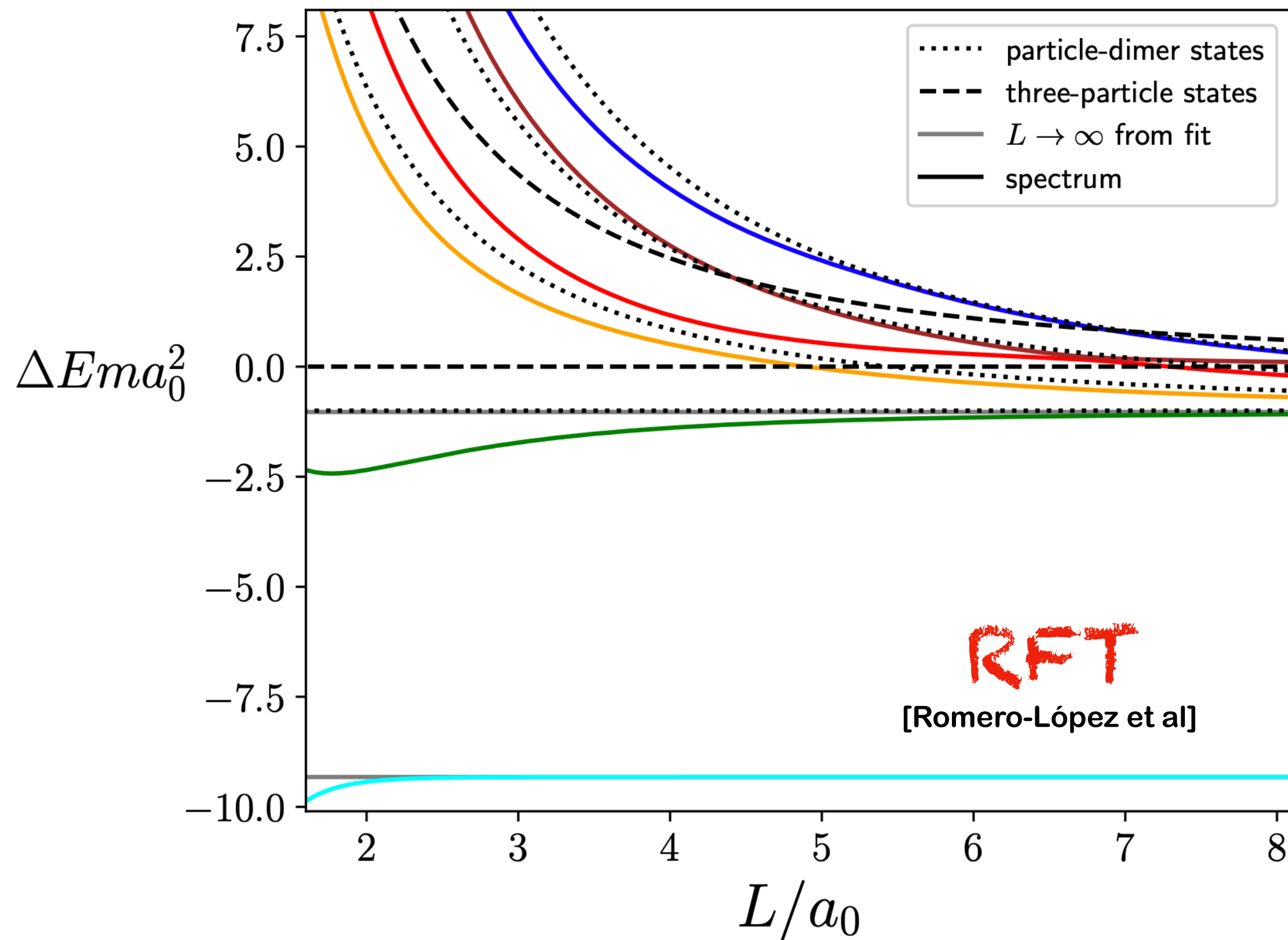
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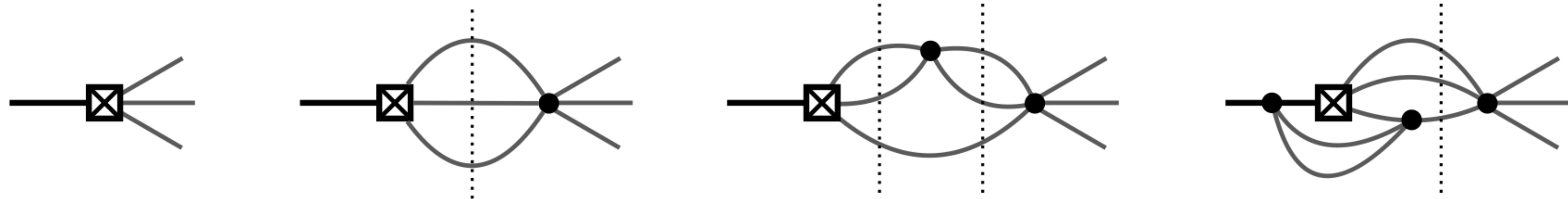


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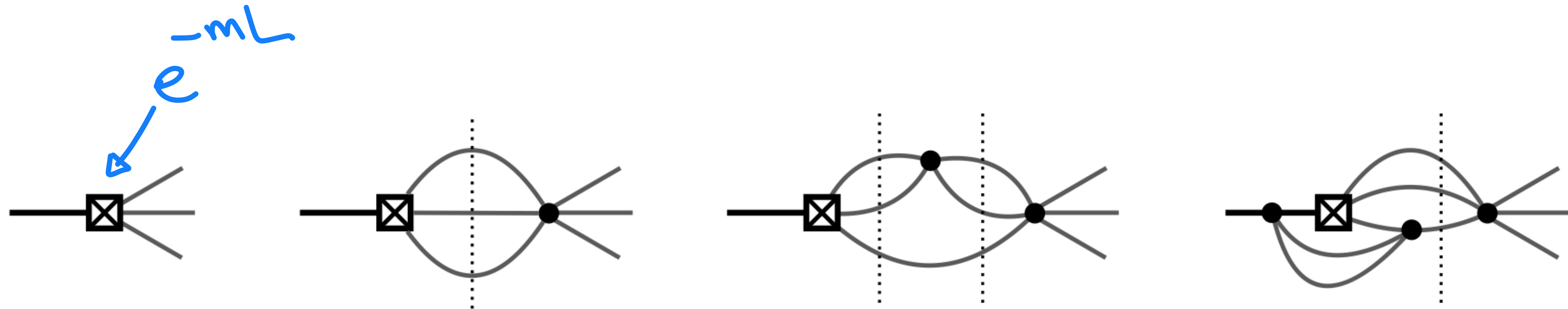
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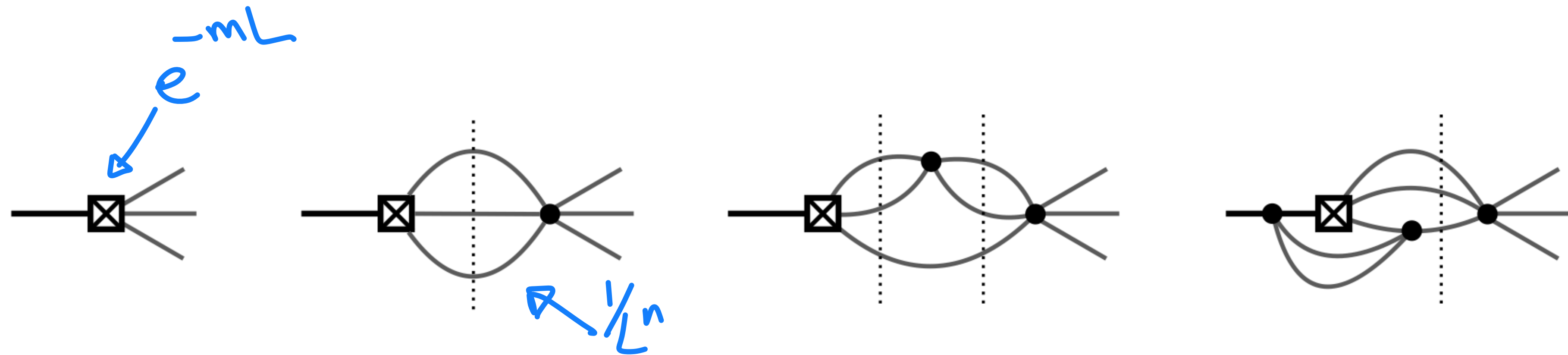
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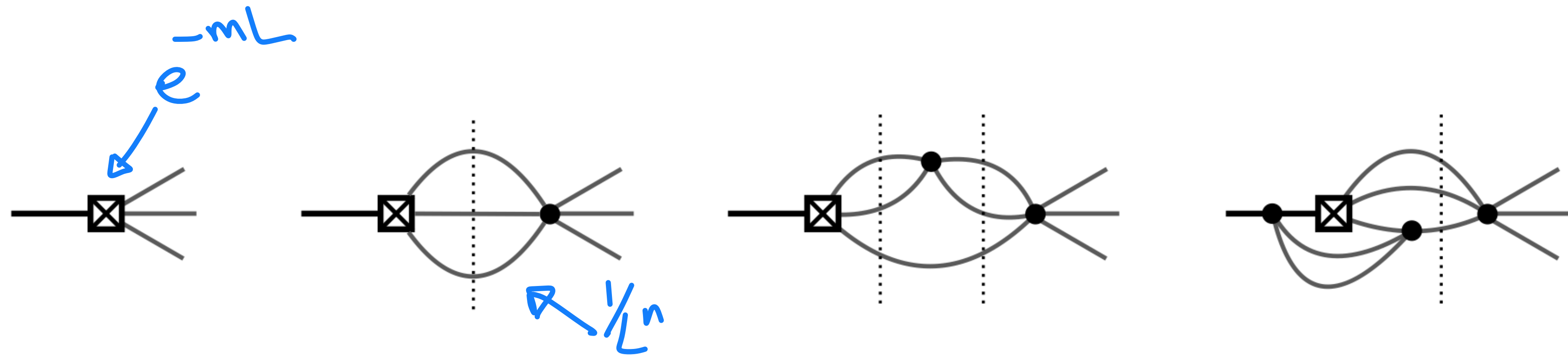
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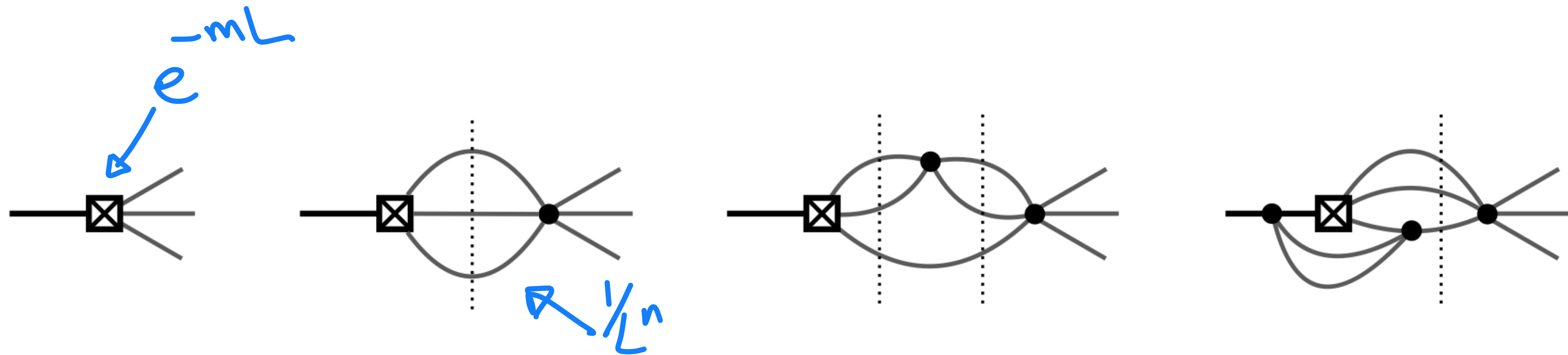


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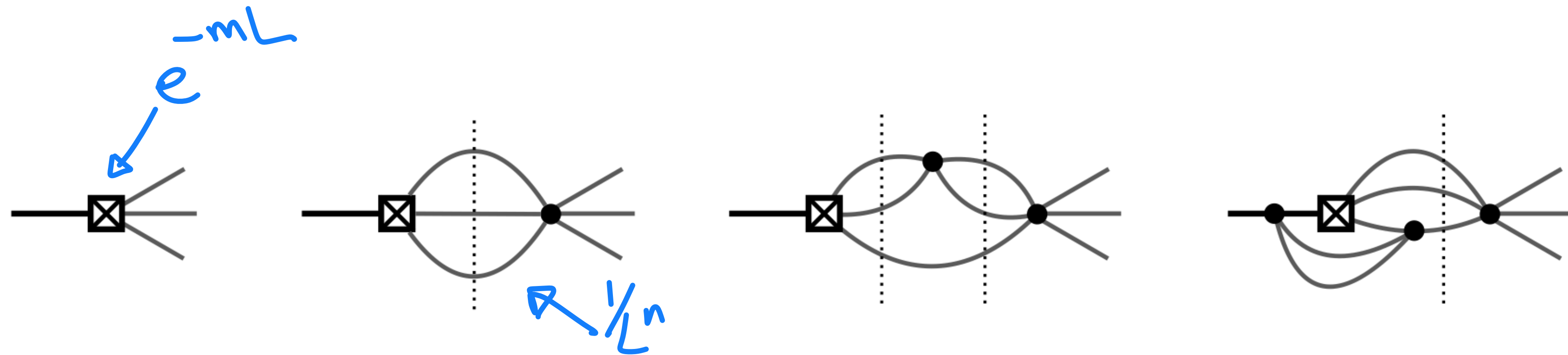
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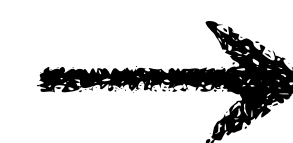
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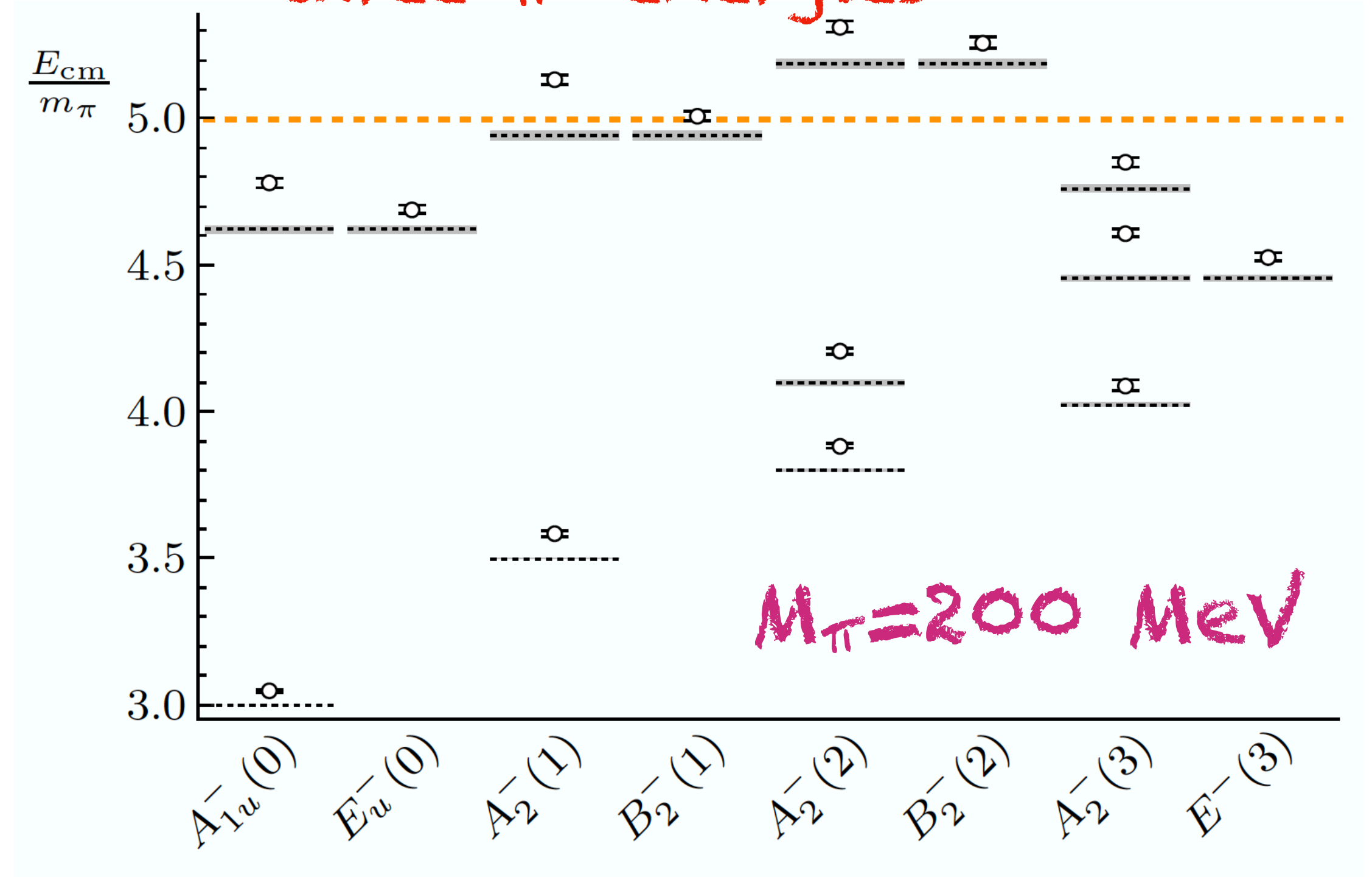
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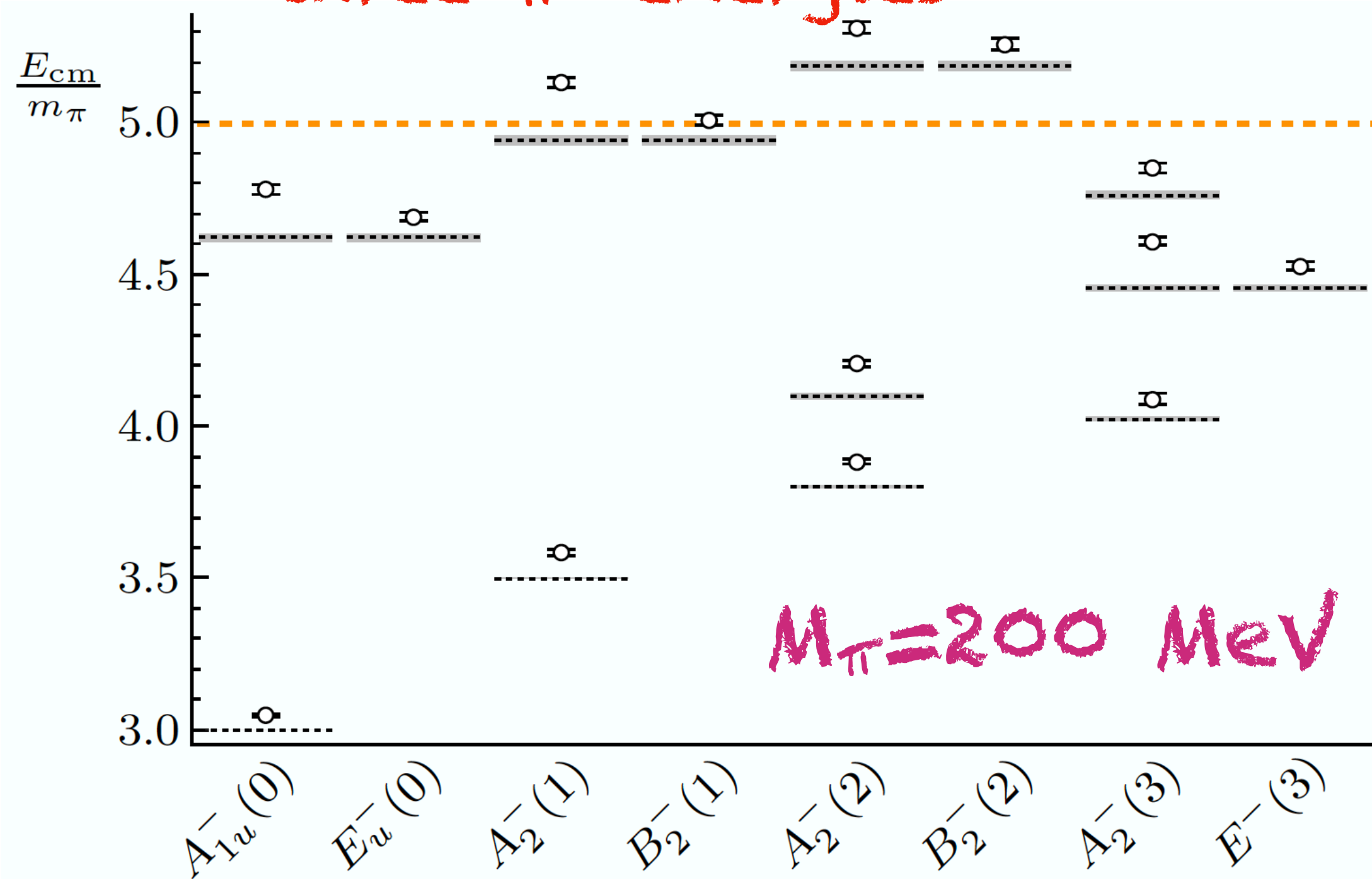
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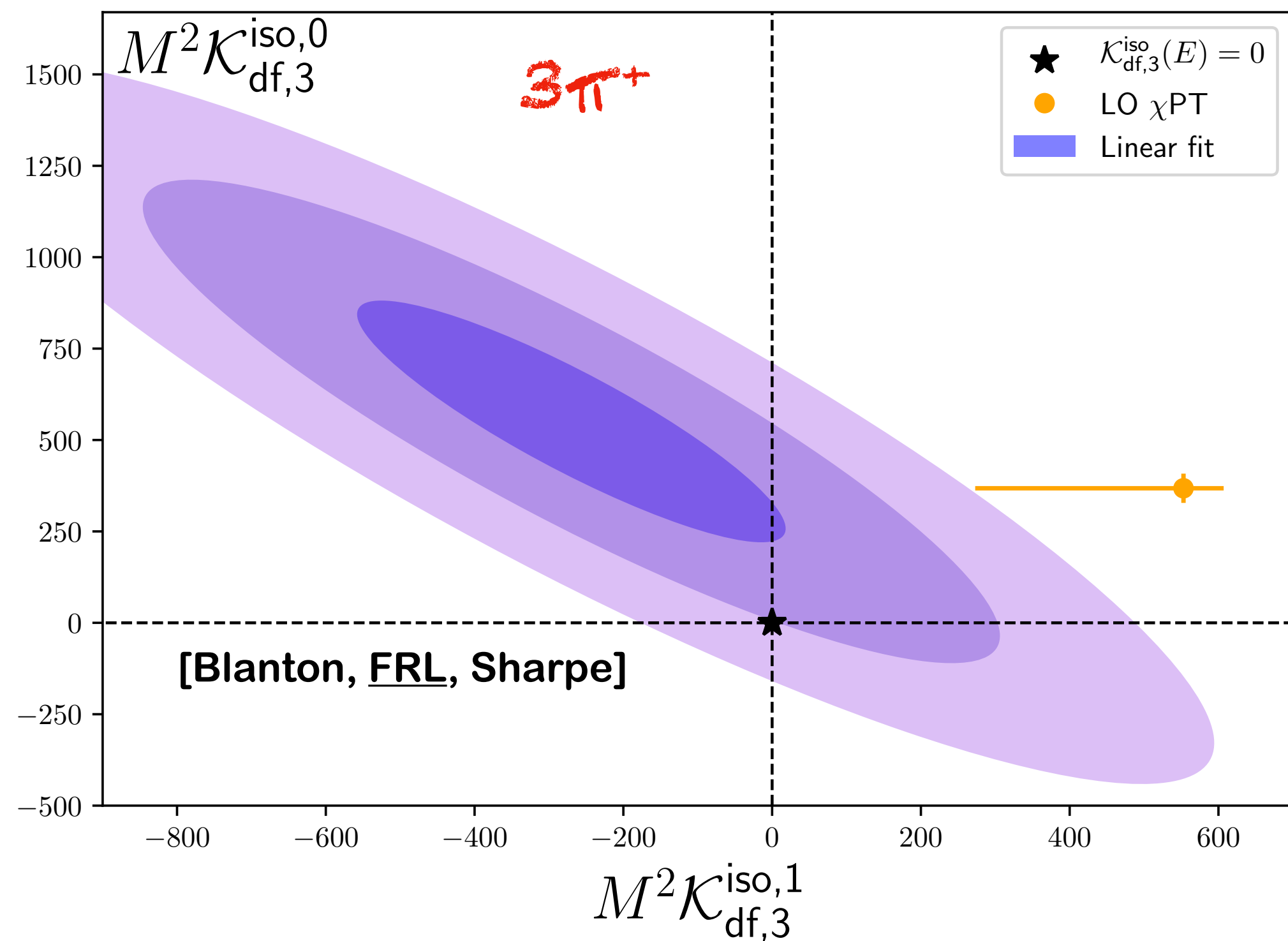
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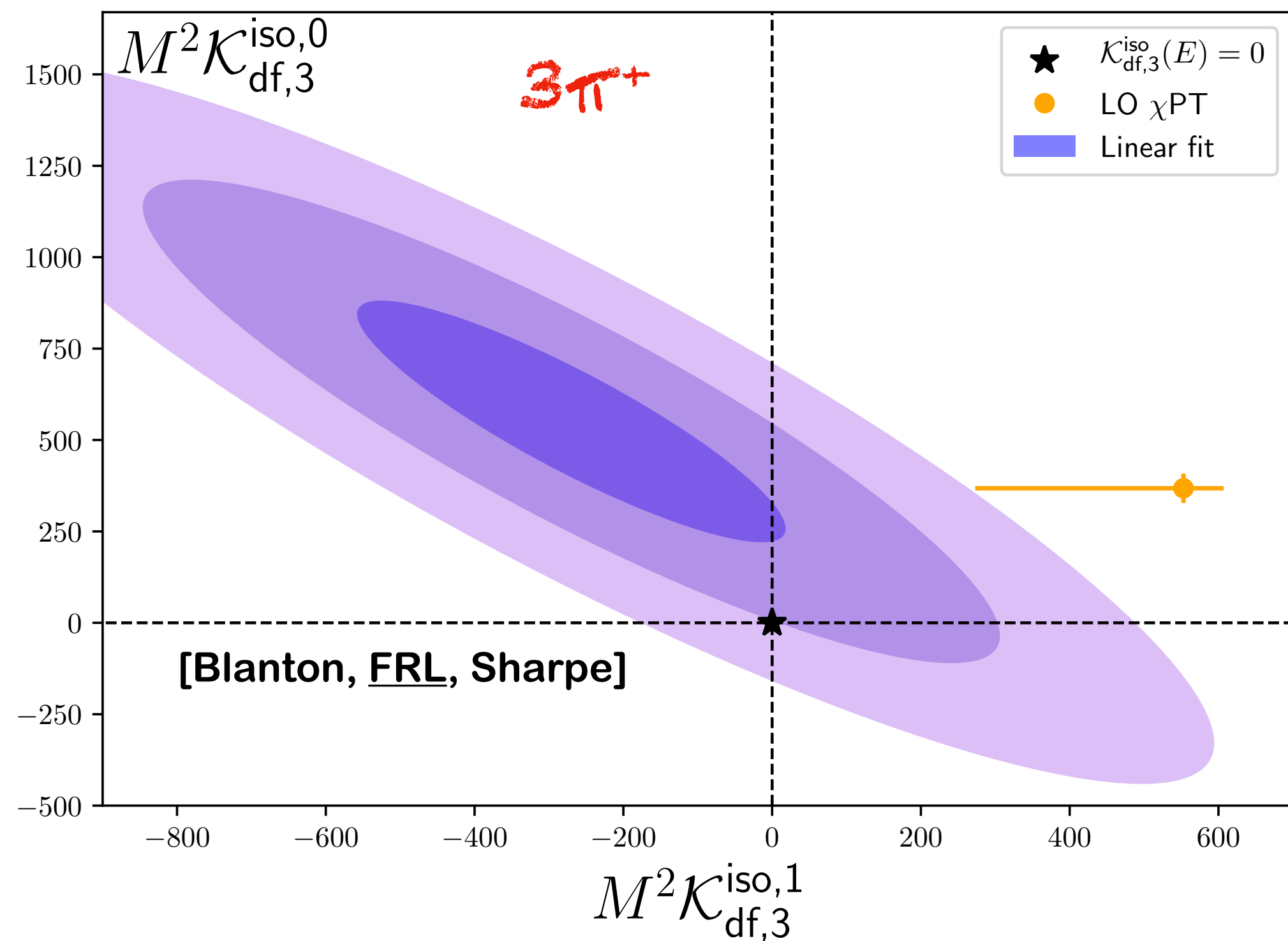
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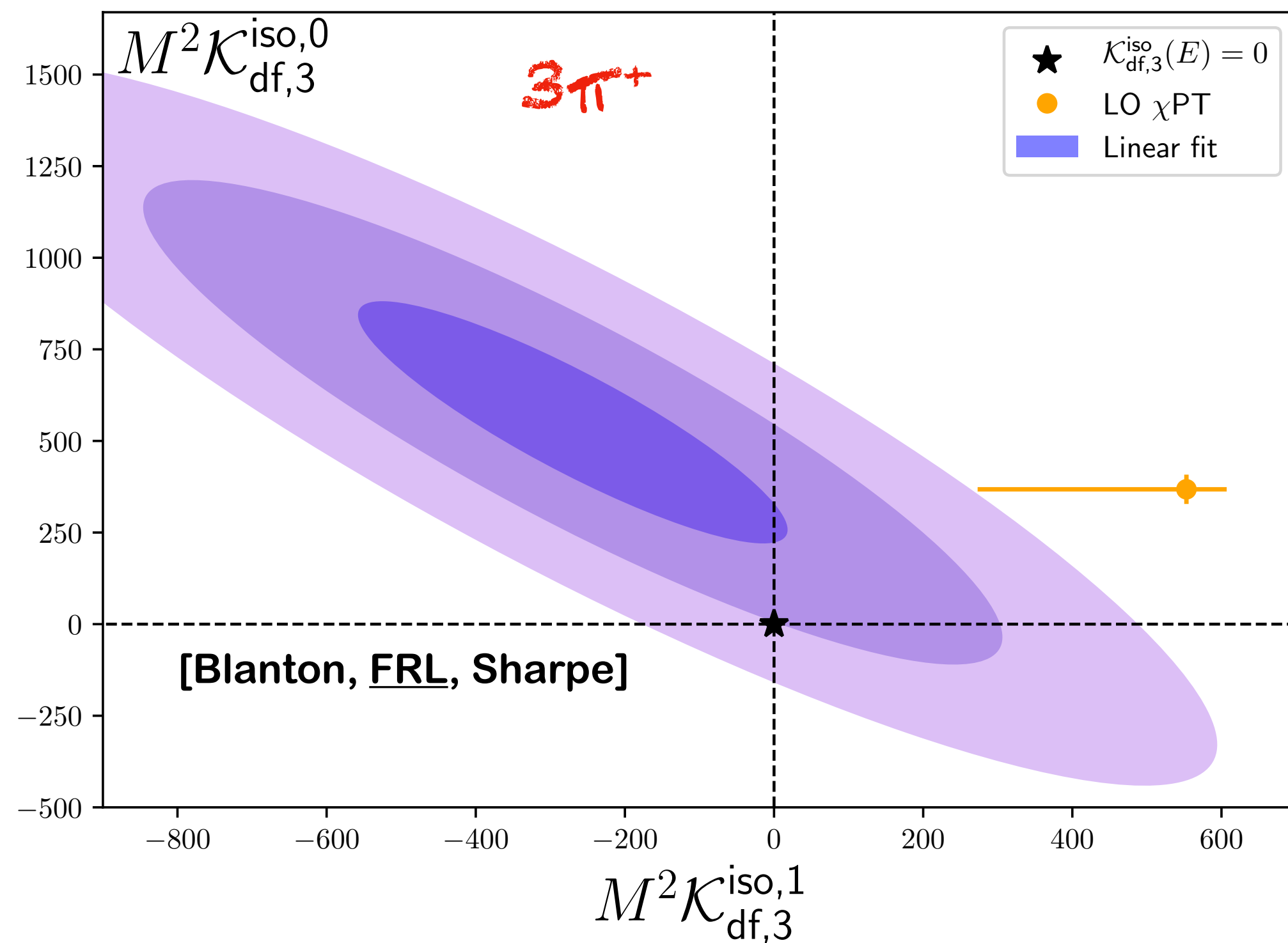
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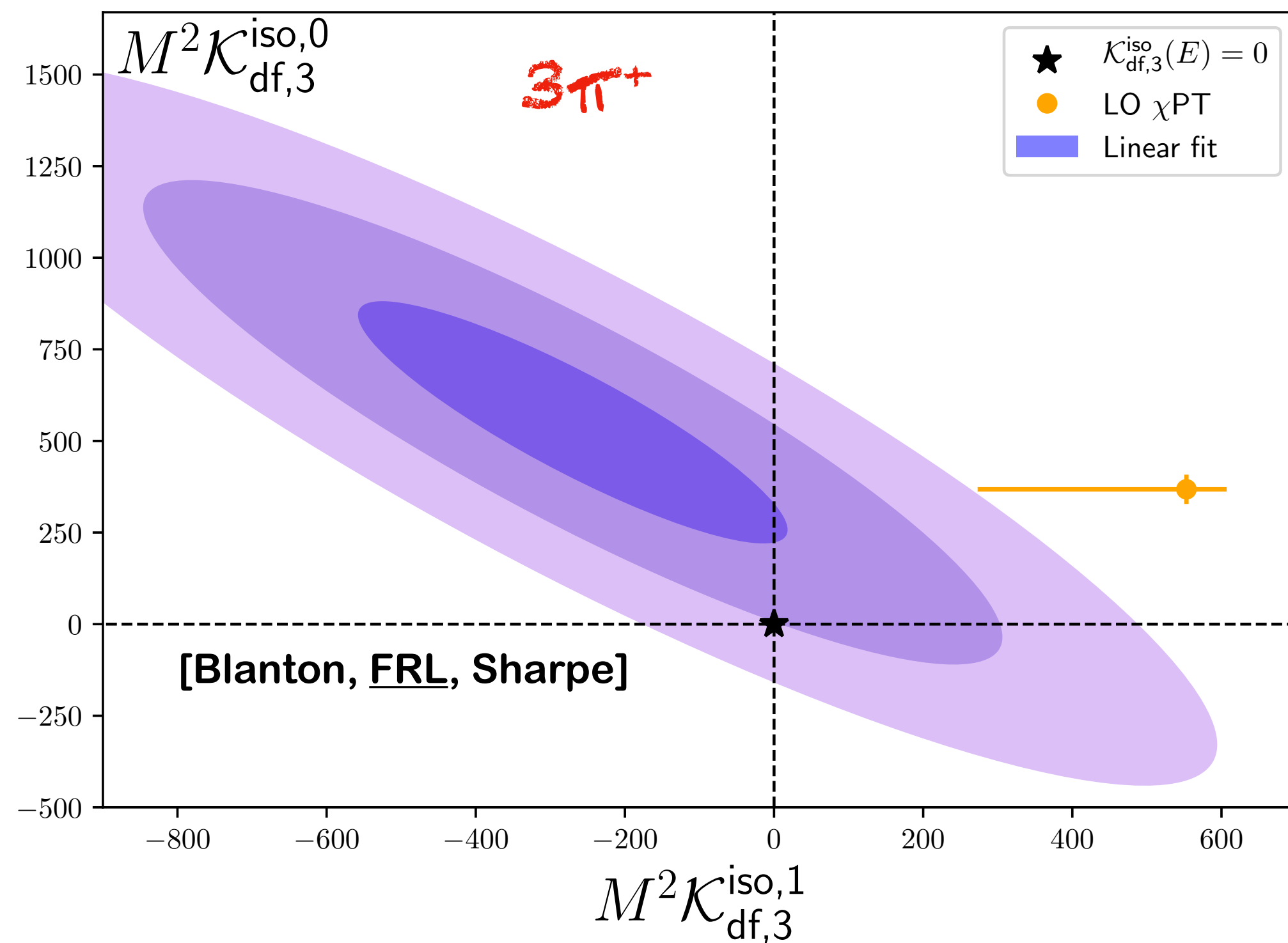
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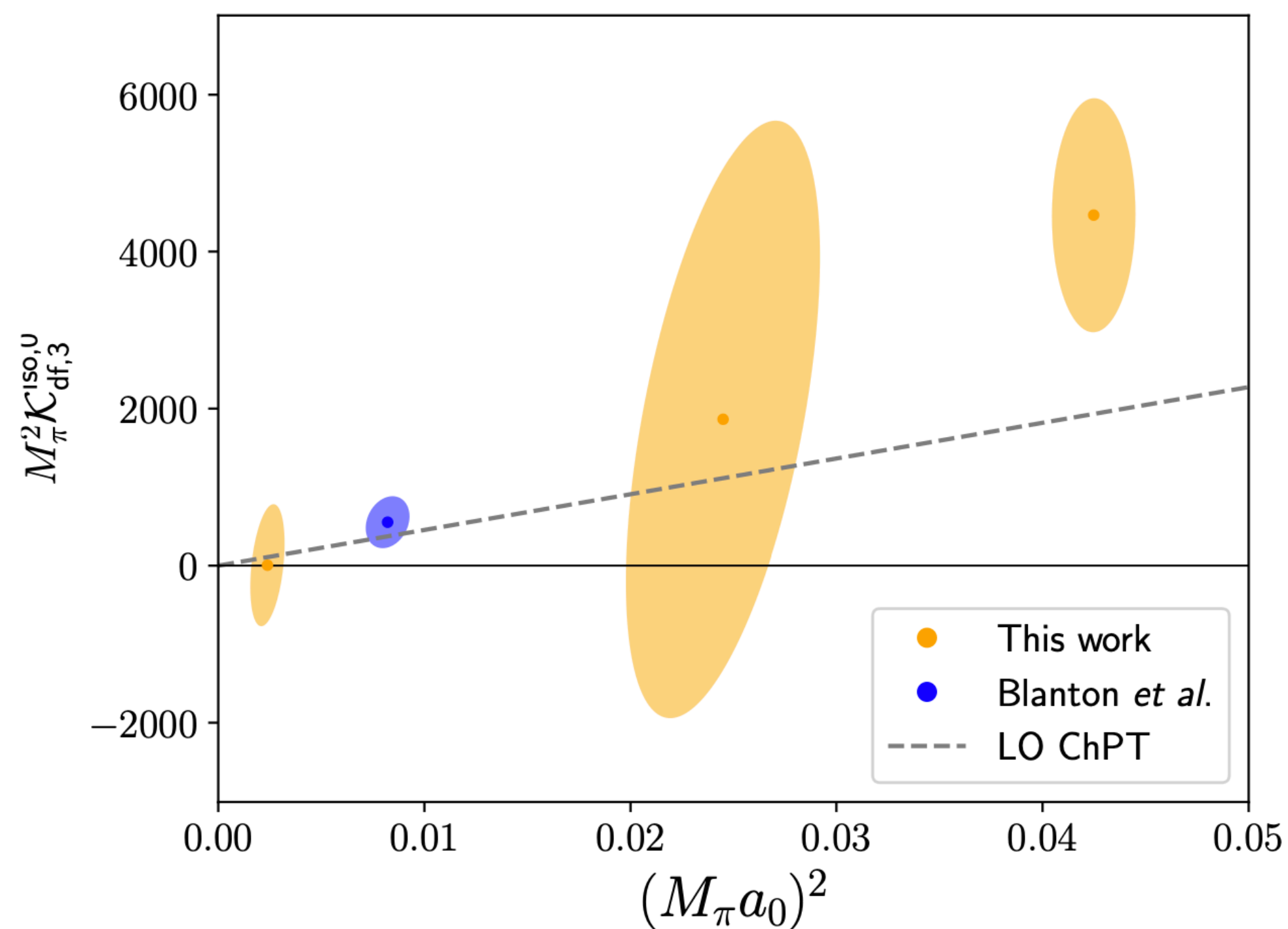
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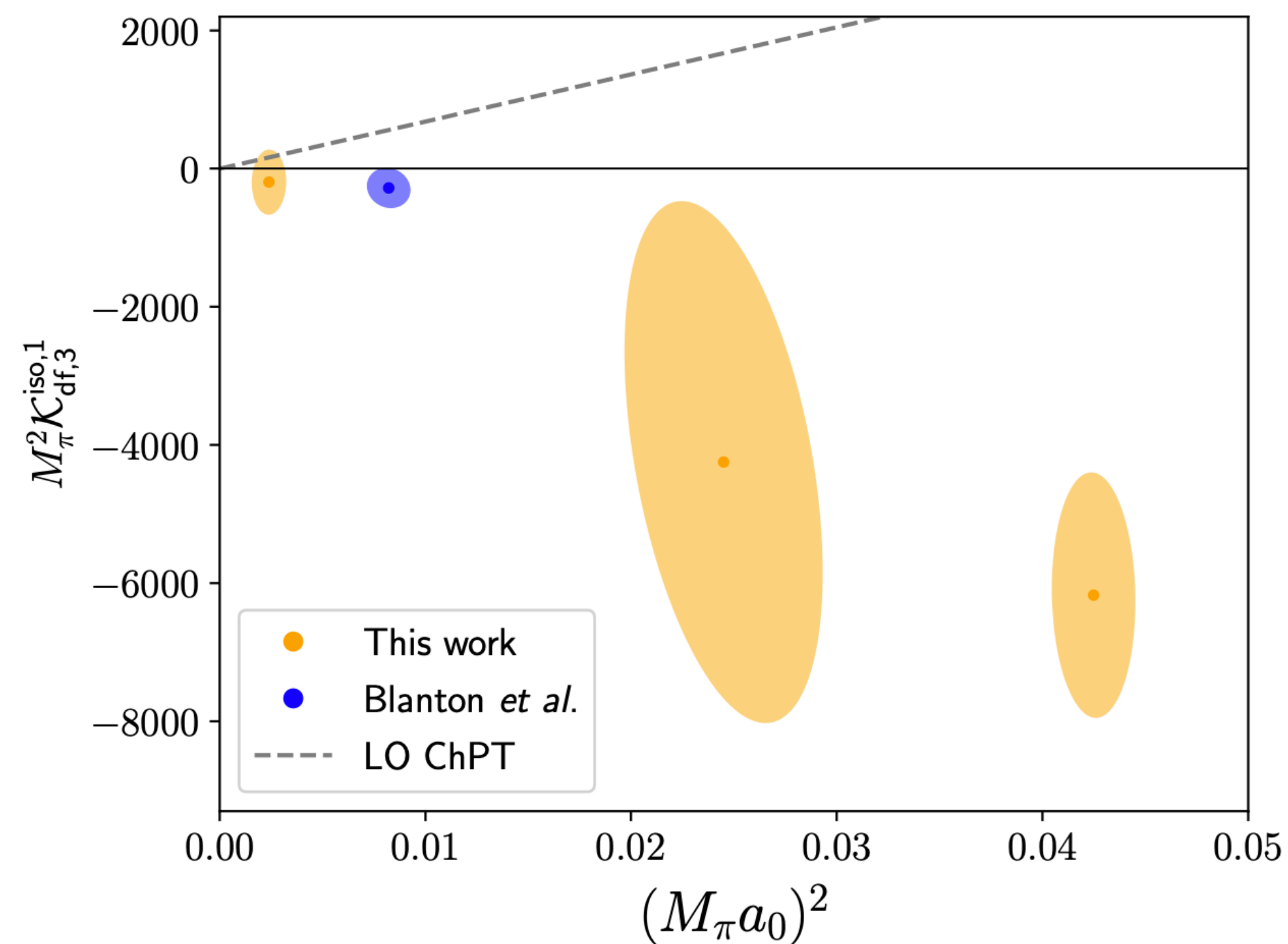
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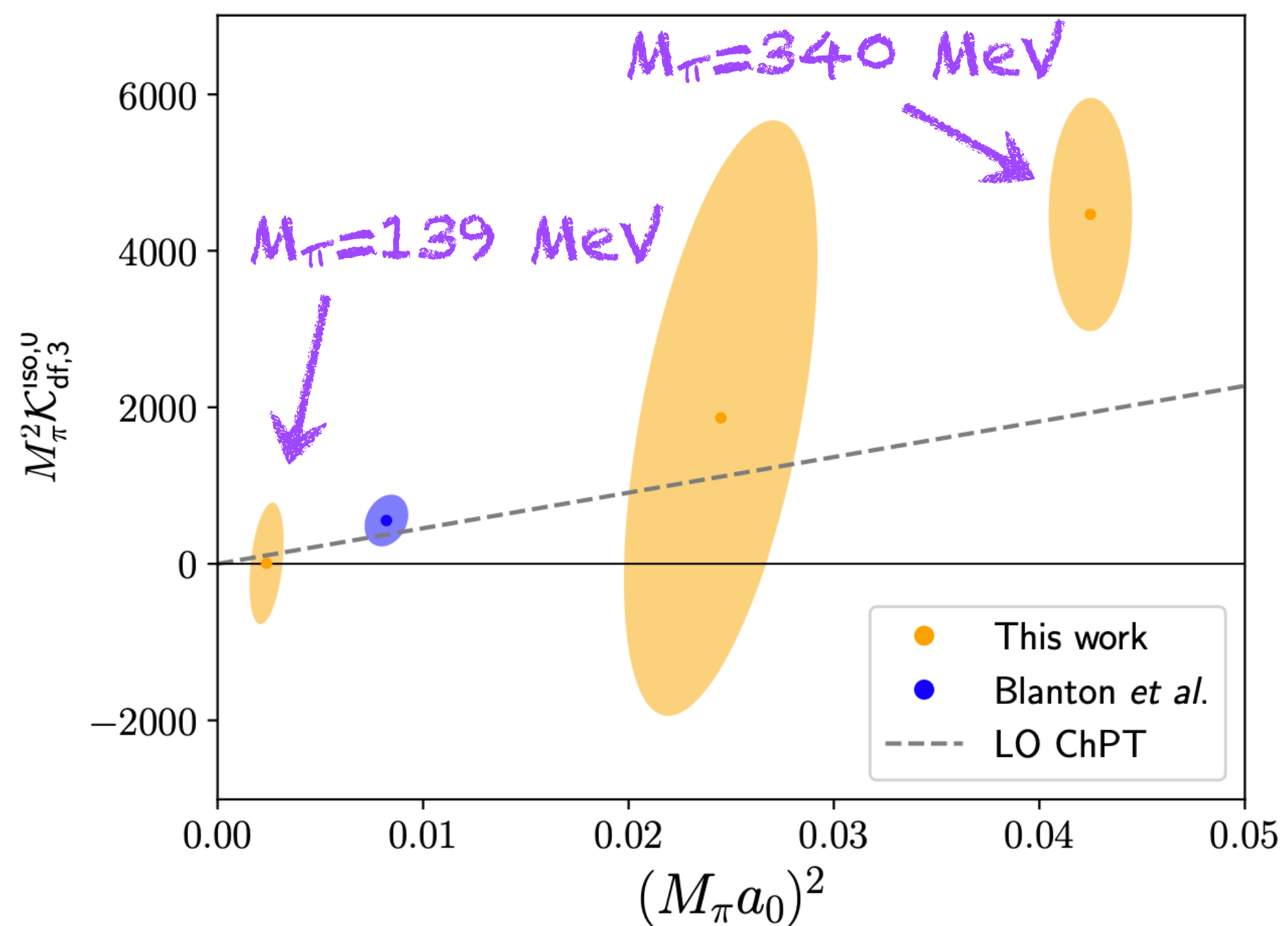
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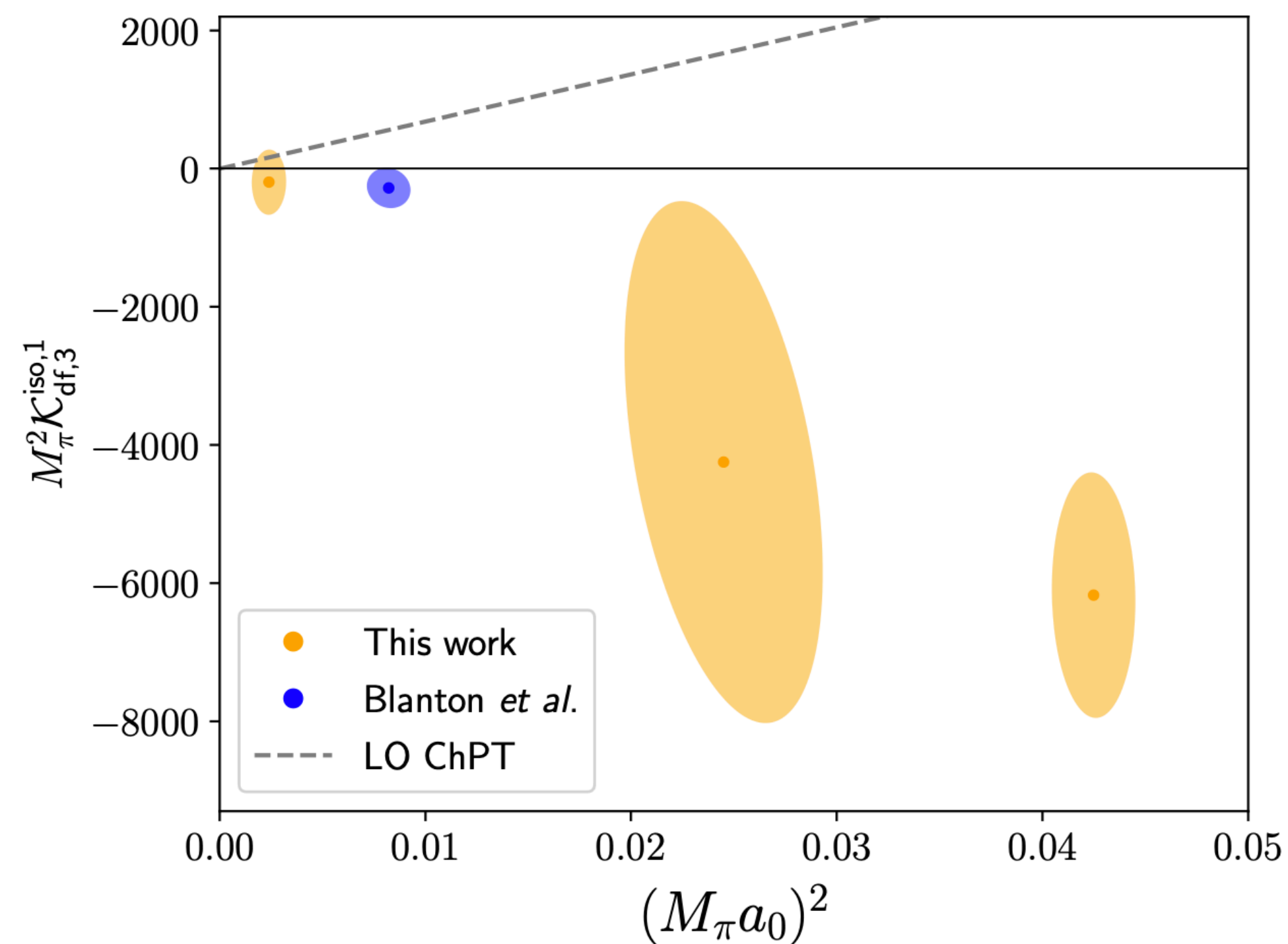
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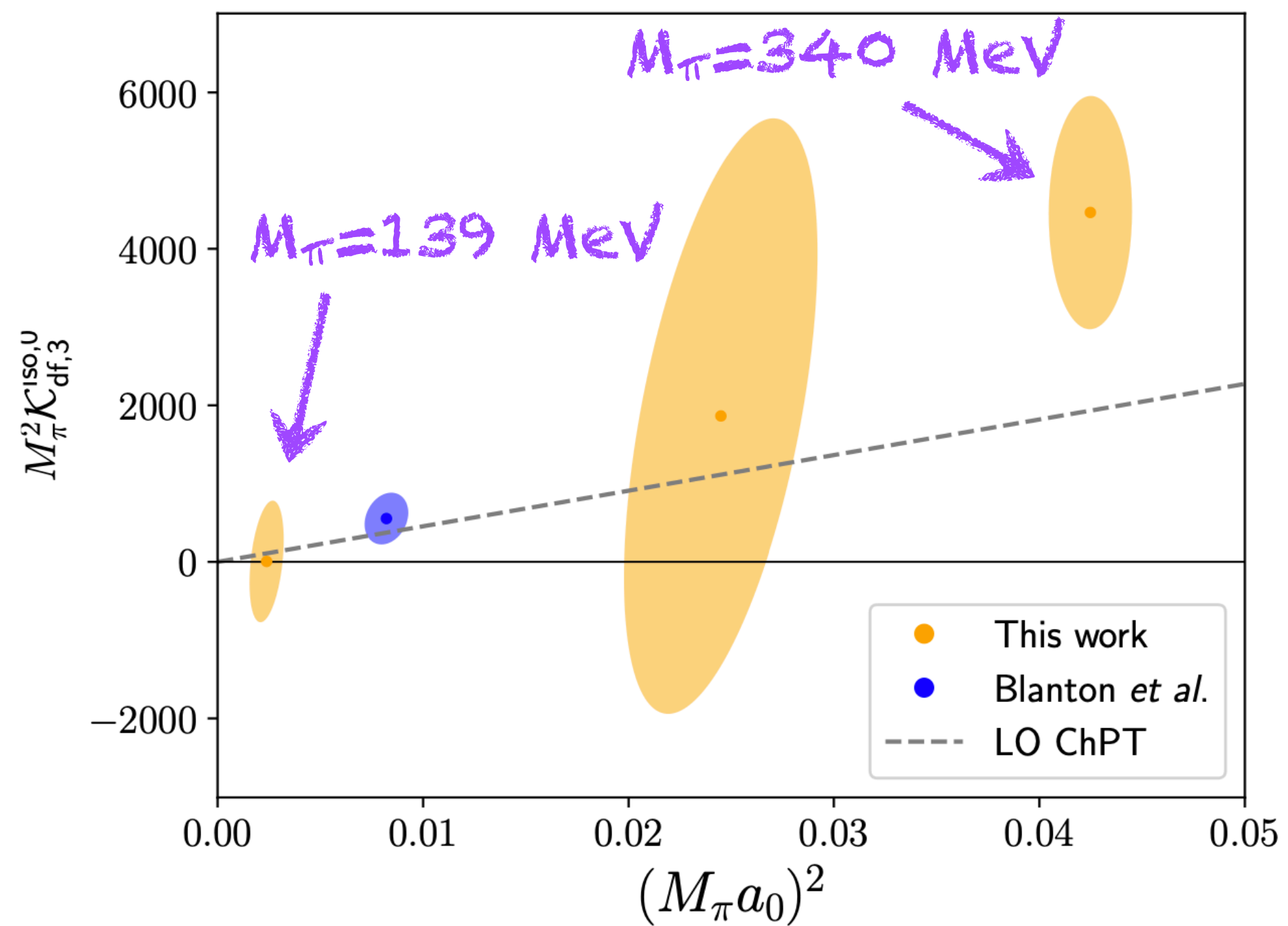
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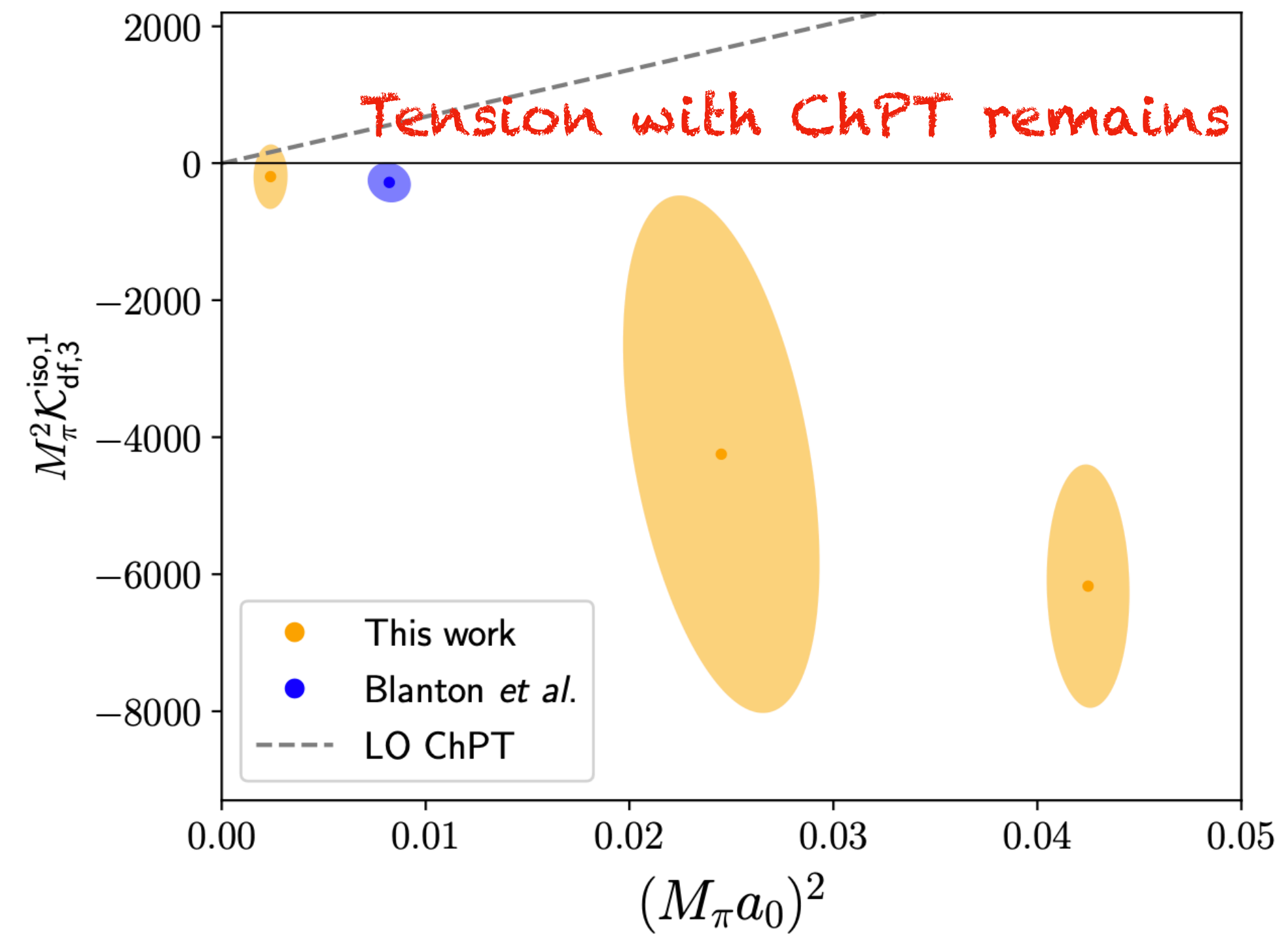
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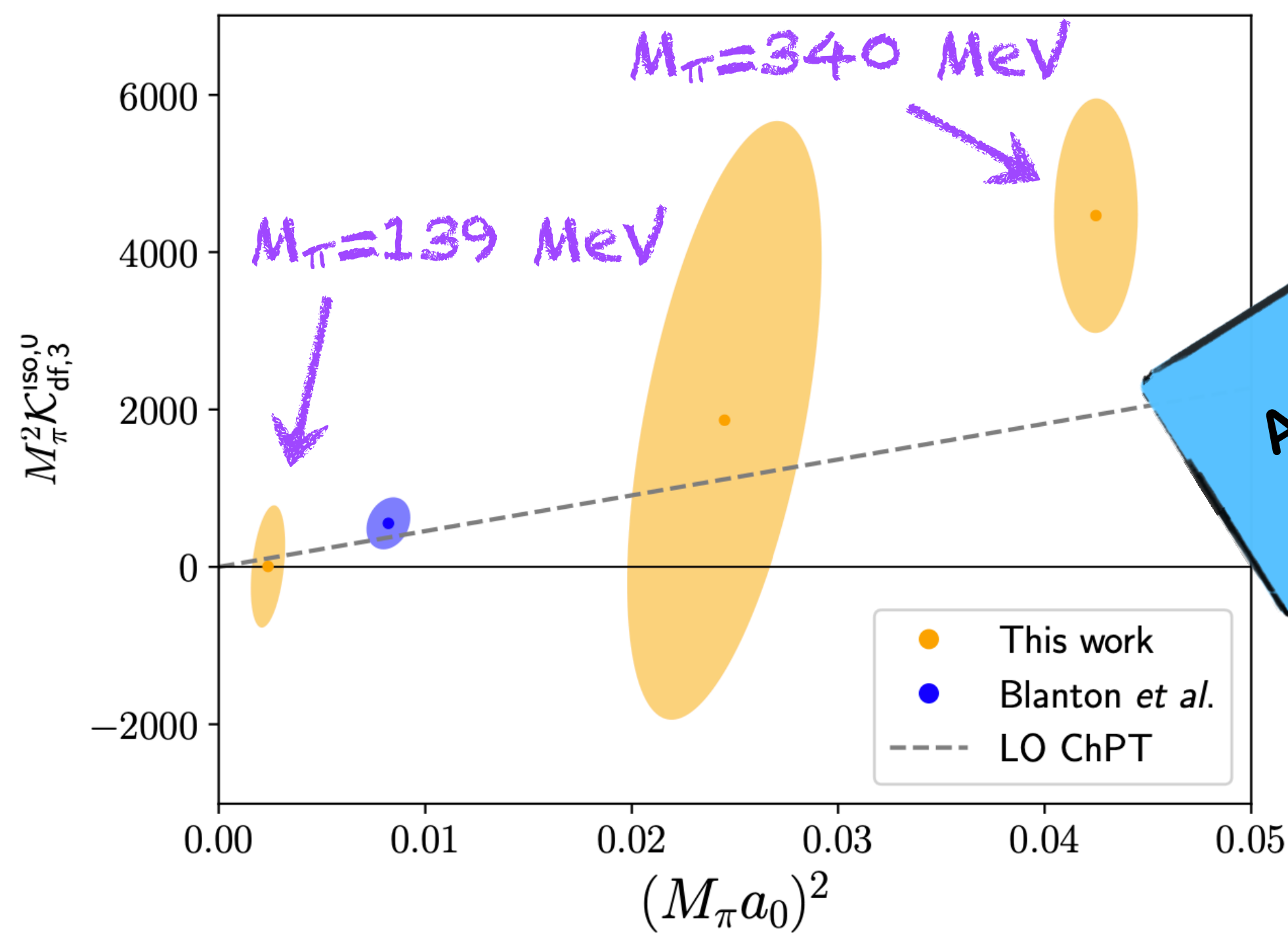
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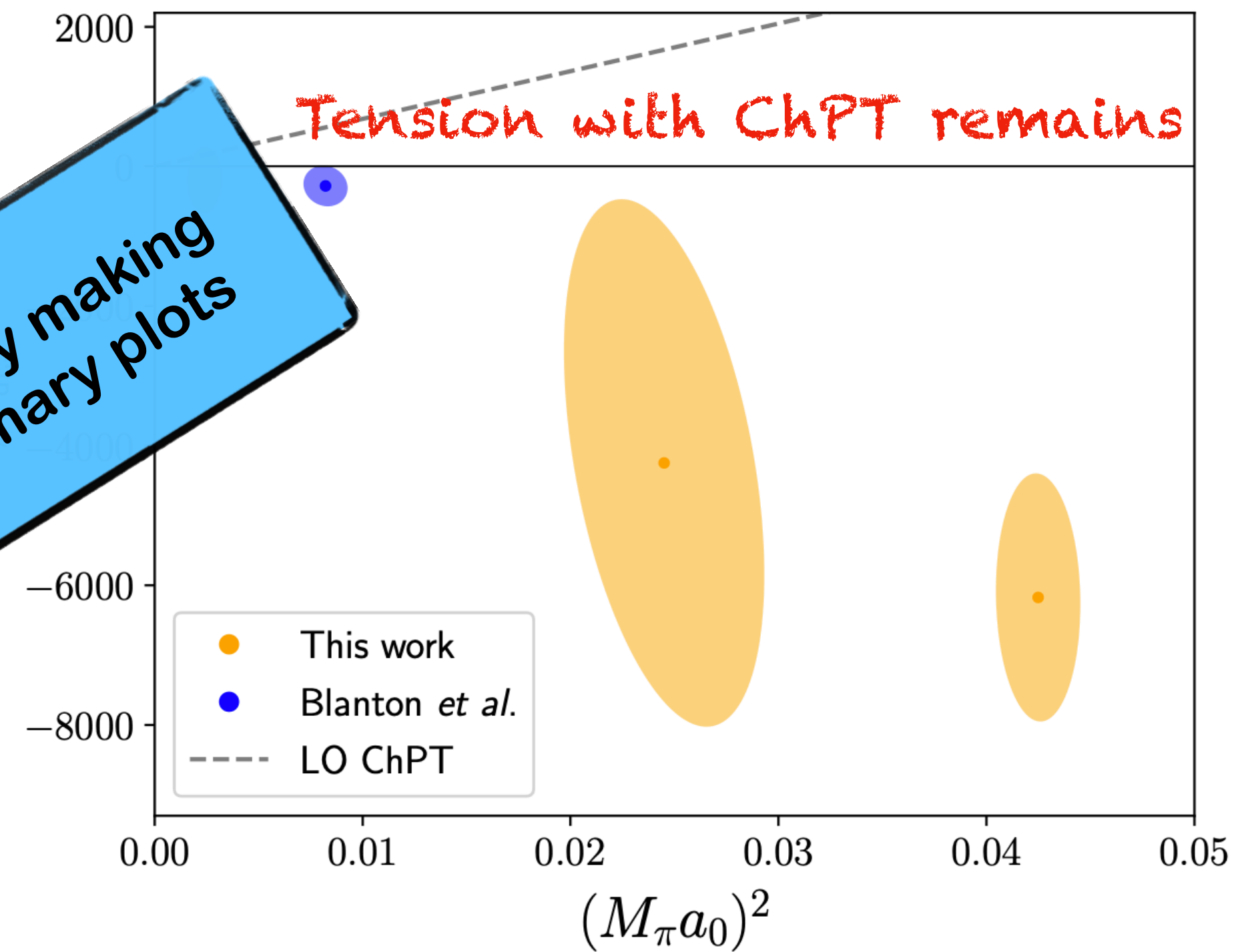
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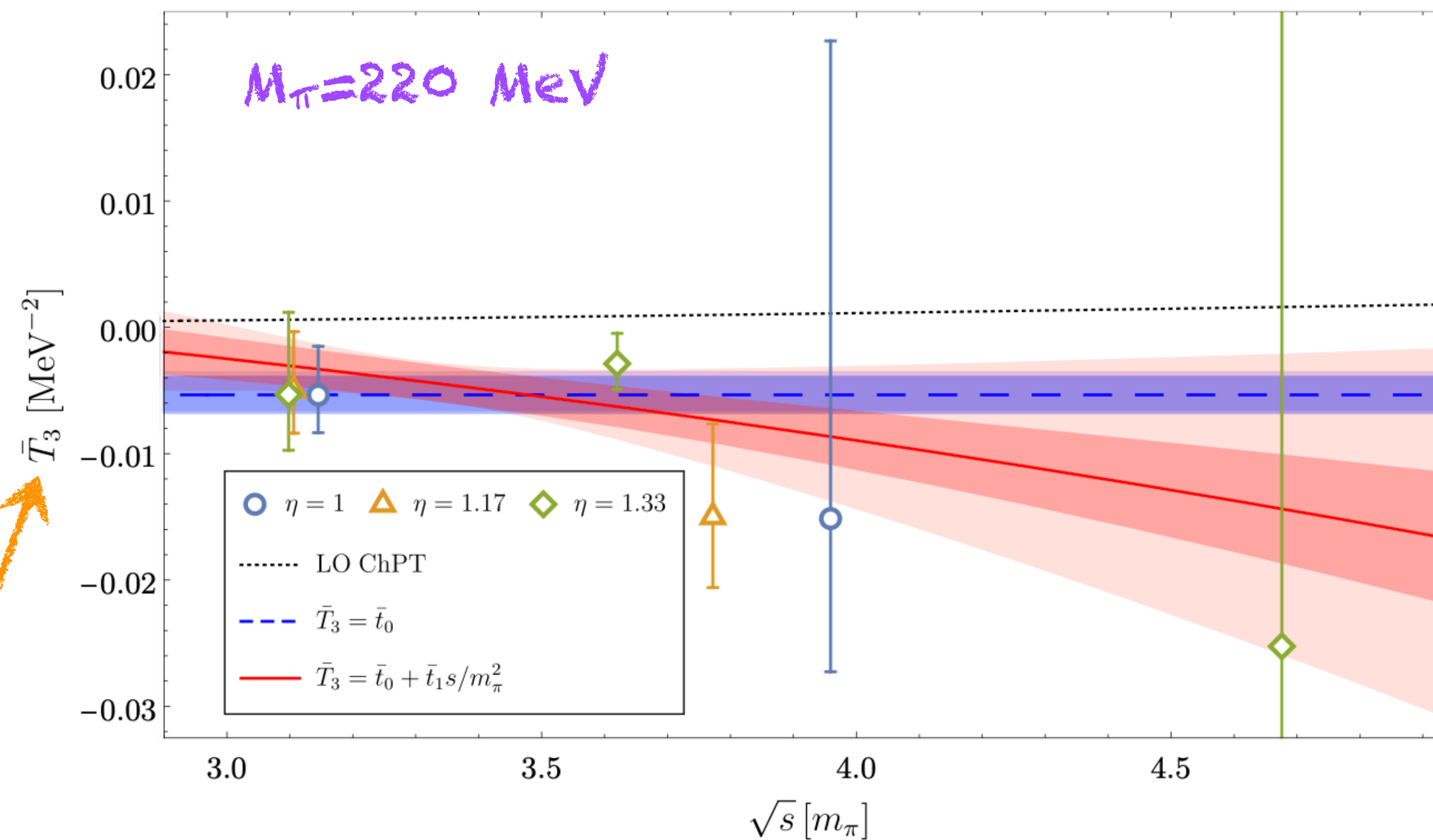
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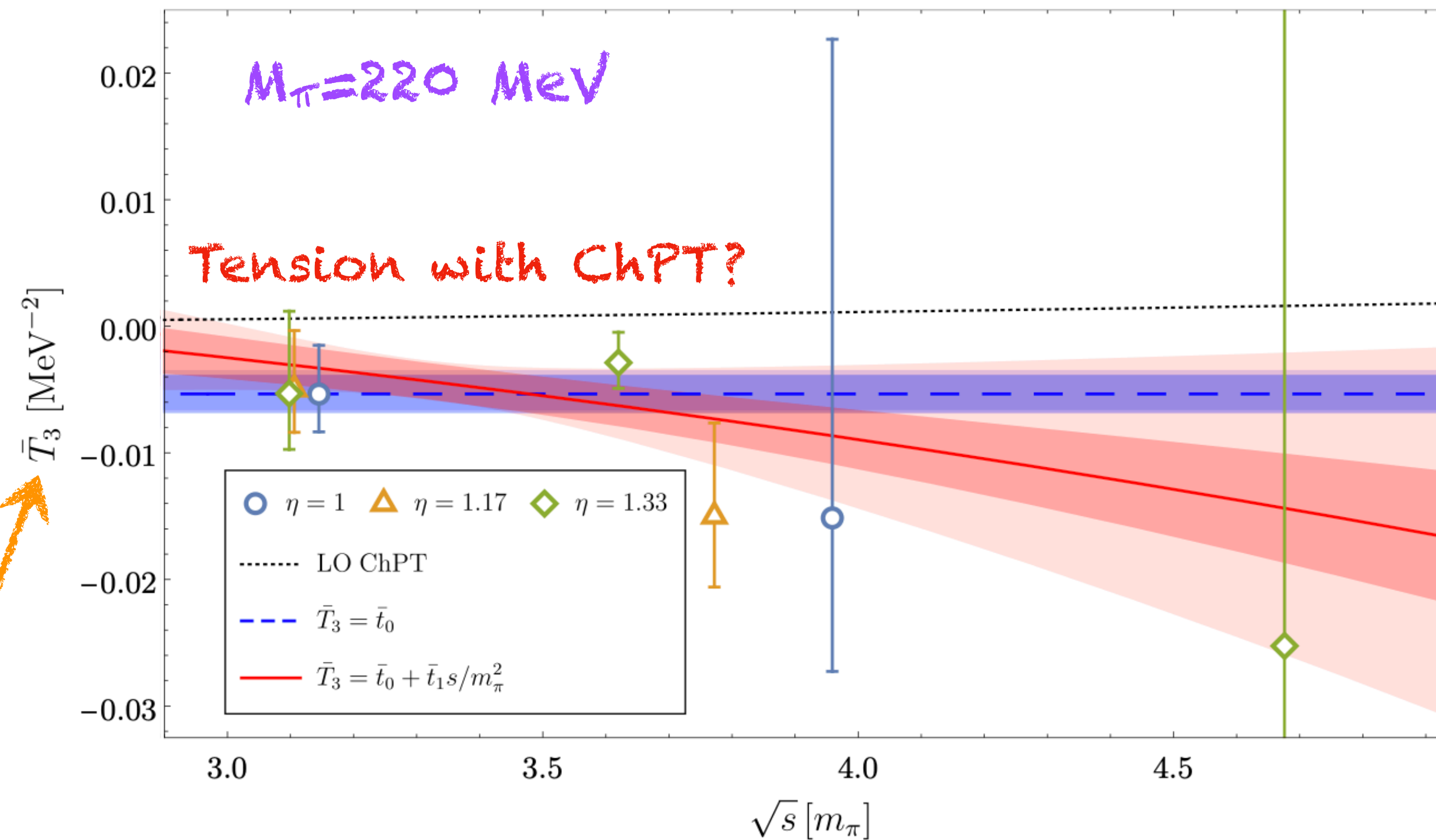


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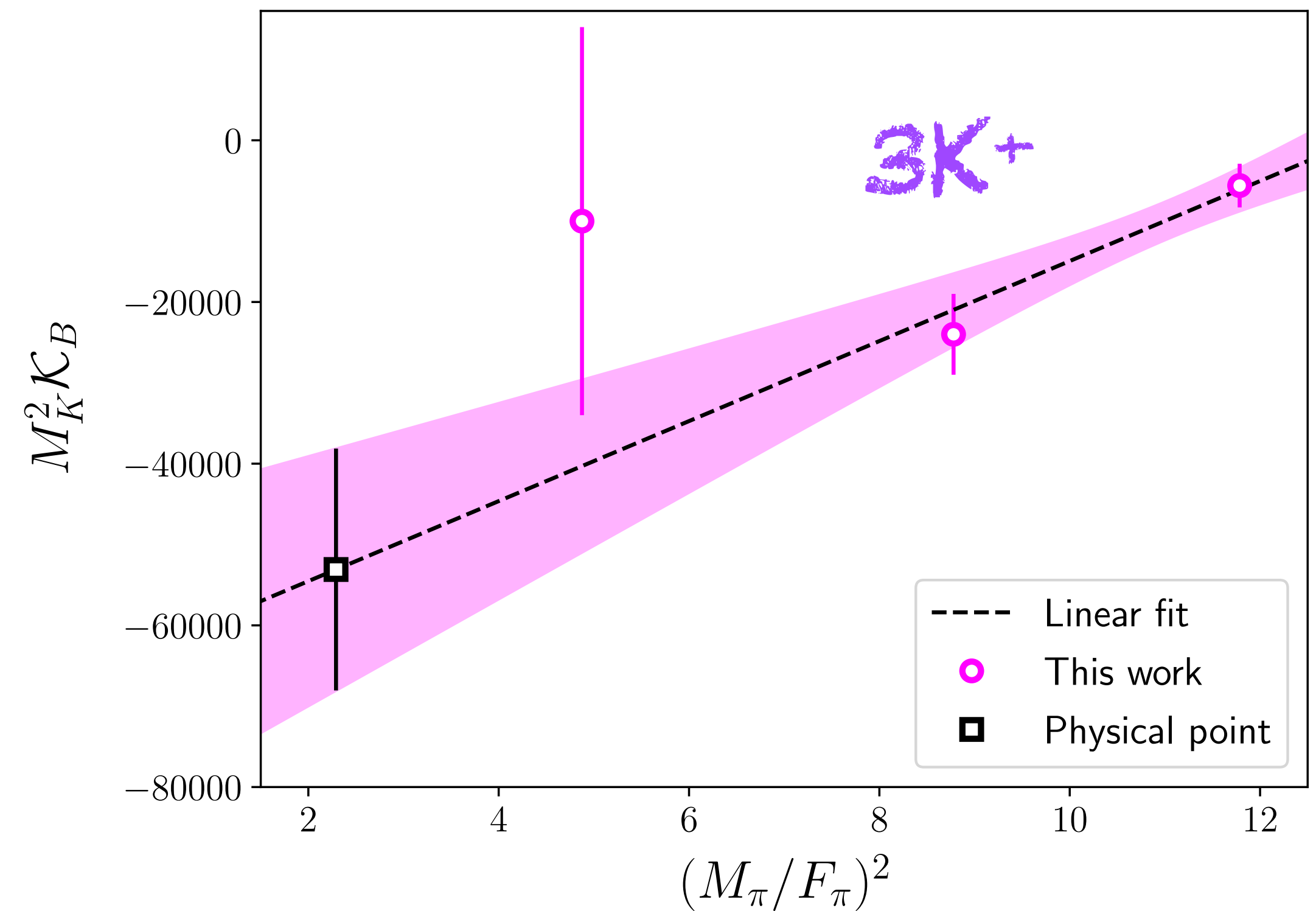
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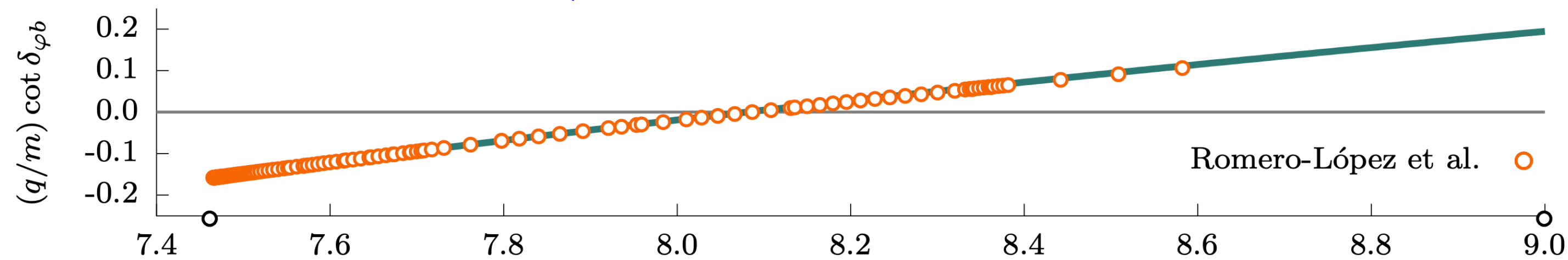
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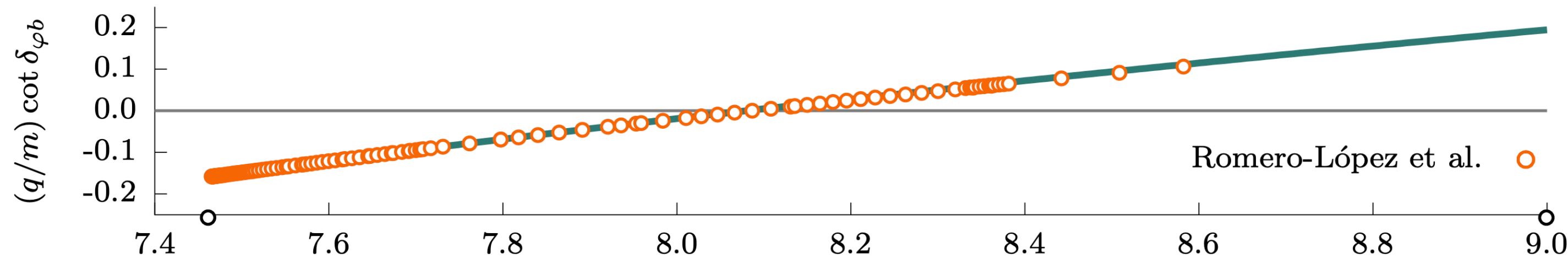


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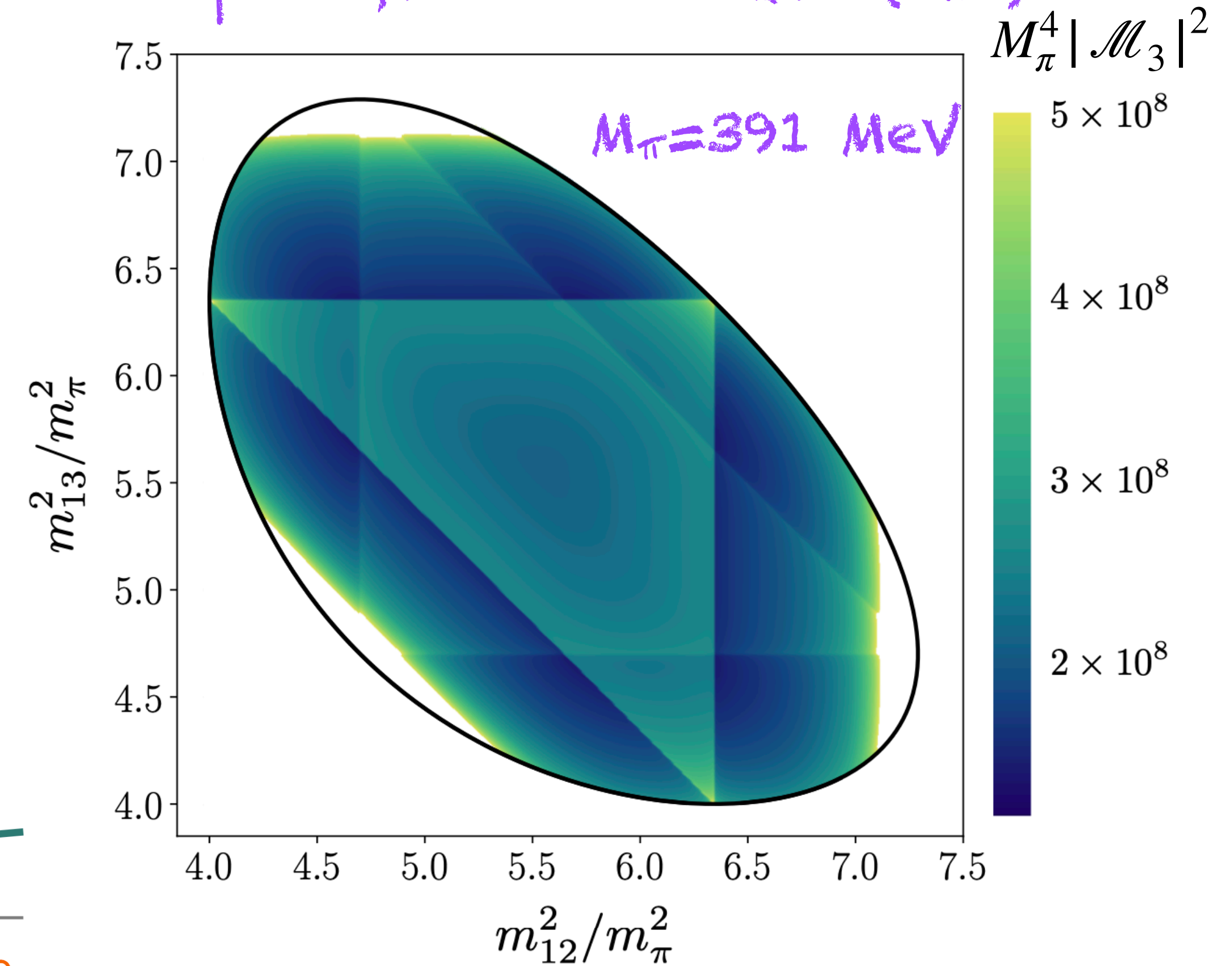
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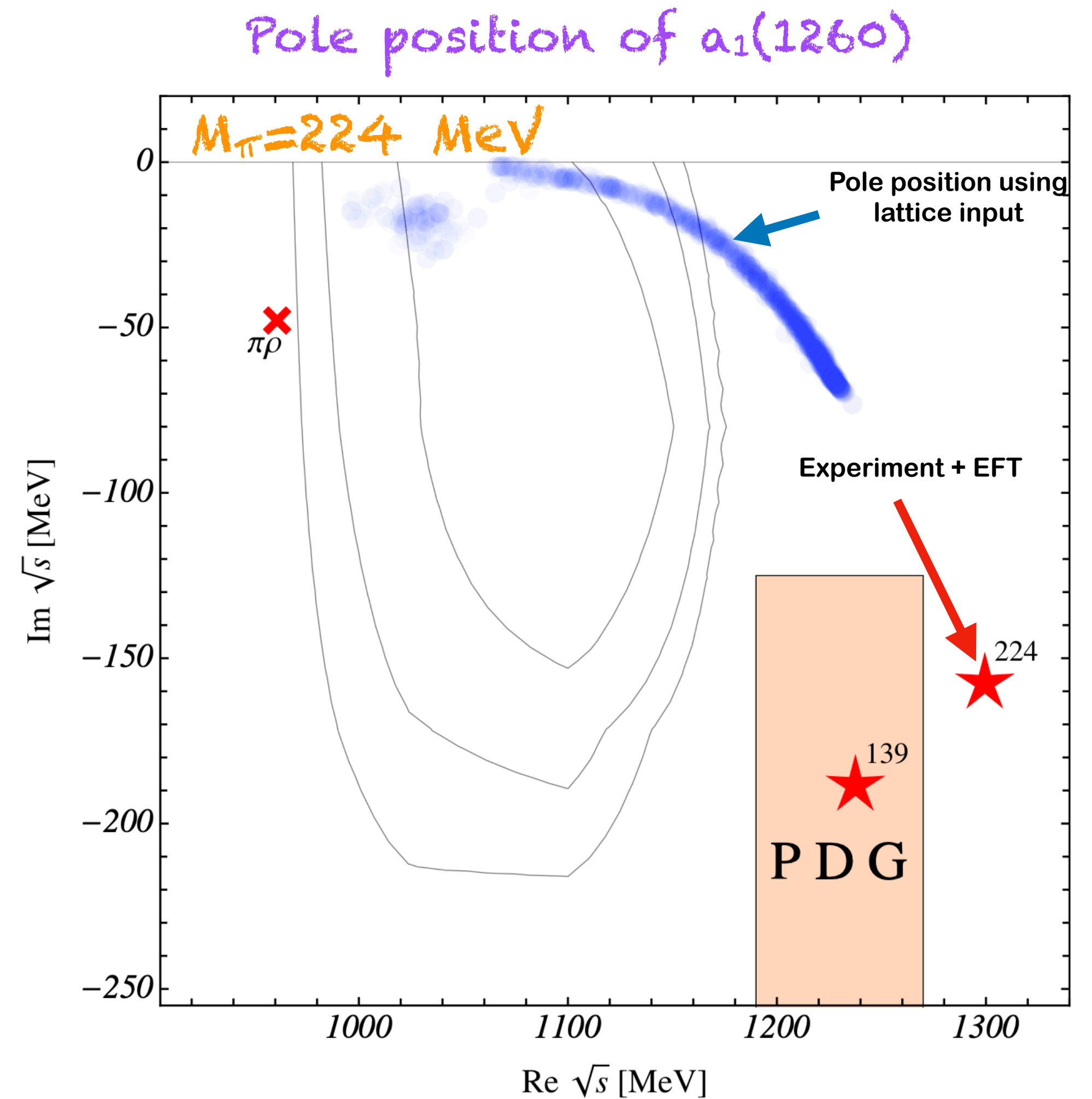
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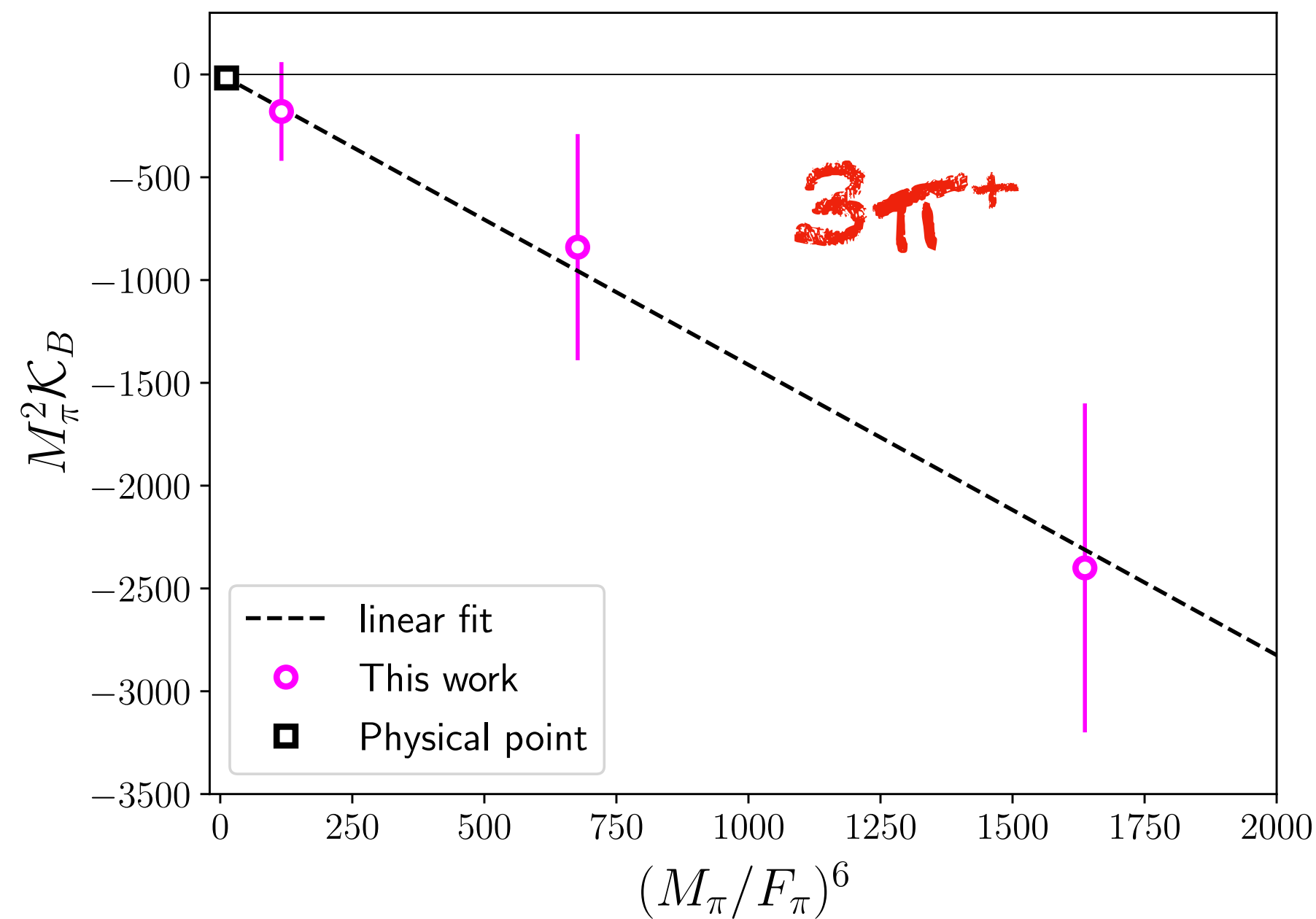
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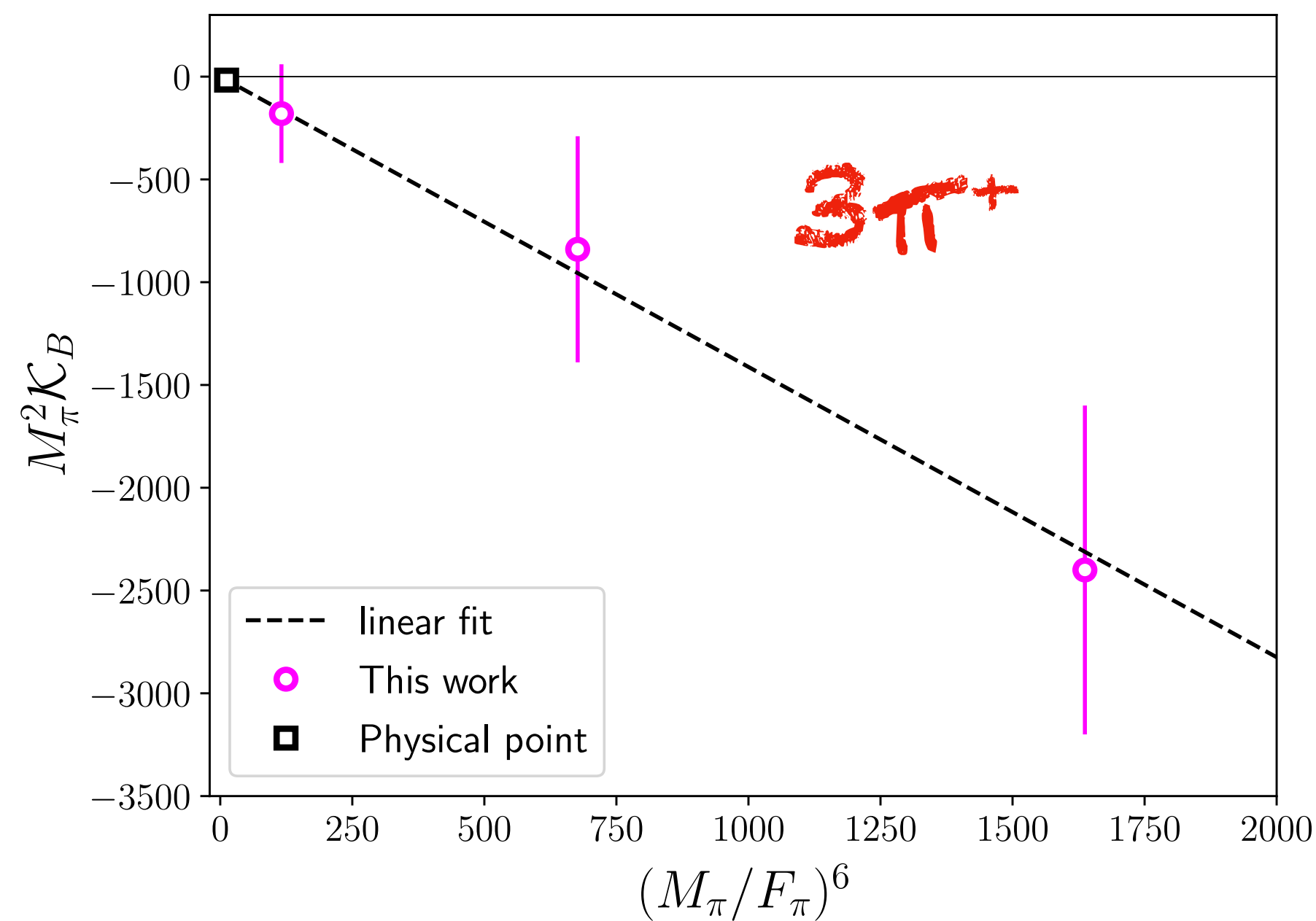
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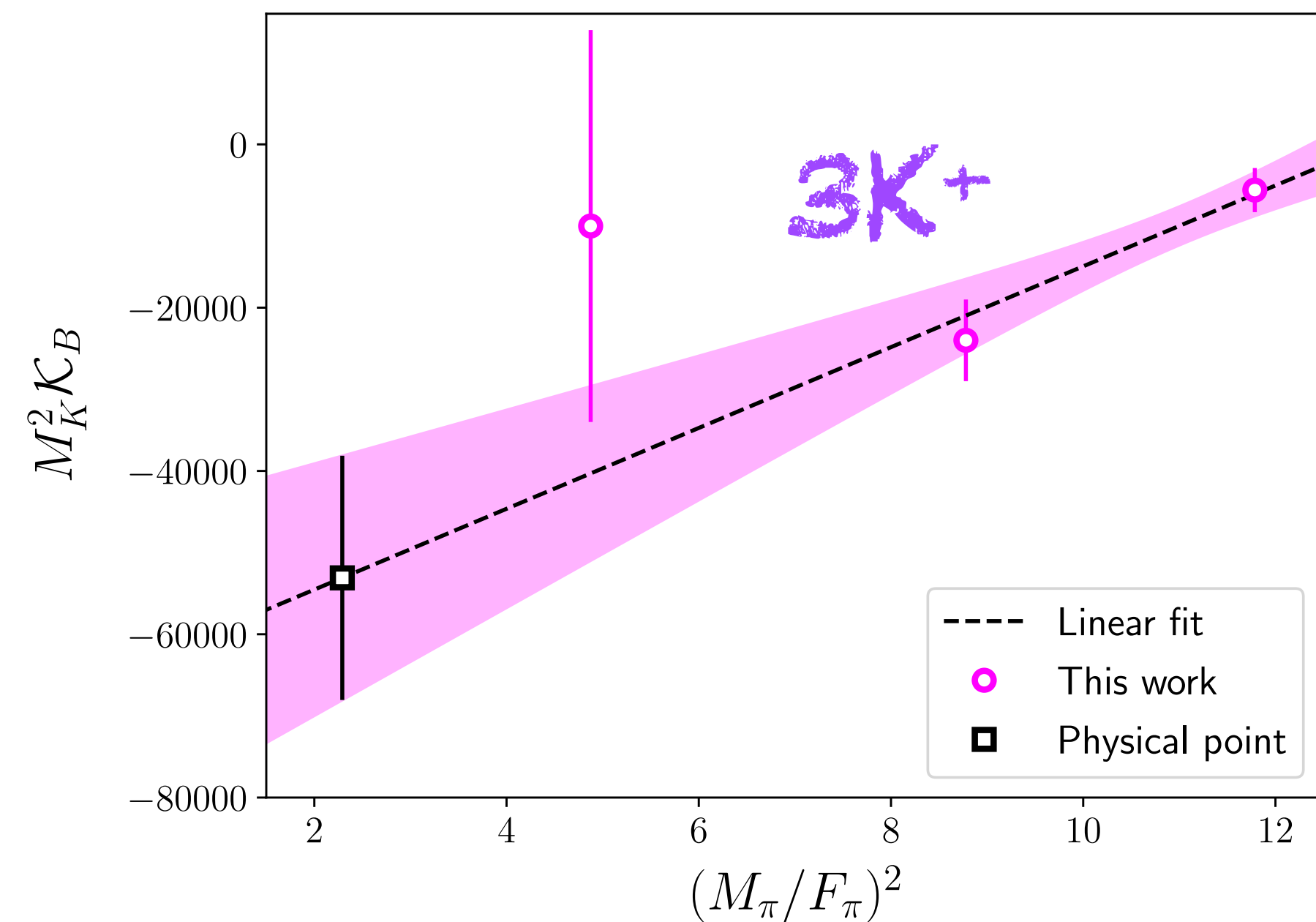
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