



LONGITUDINAL DYNAMICS IN LIGHT-FRONT HOLOGRAPHIC QCD AND HADRON SPECTROSCOPY

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Overview



Light-Front Schrödinger Wave Equation

Light-Front Holography with Invariant Mass Ansatz

The 't Hooft Equation and Longitudinal Dynamics

Hadron Mass Spectra and Pion structure

Conclusions

Based on → M. Ahmady, H. Dahiya, S. Kaur, CM, R. Sandapen and N. Sharma, [arXiv:2105.01018 [hep-ph]] & recent progress.

LIGHT-FRONT SCHRÖDINGER WAVE EQUATION



In light-front QCD, the mass of a quark-antiquark meson

$$M^2 = \int dx d^2\mathbf{b} \Psi^*(x, \mathbf{b}) \left[-\frac{\nabla_{\mathbf{b}}^2}{x(1-x)} + \frac{m_q^2}{x} + \frac{m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} \right] \Psi(x, \mathbf{b}) + \text{interactions}$$

- Light-front variable, $\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)}\mathbf{b}_{\perp}$
- Assuming factorized form of wavefunction as

$$\Psi(x, \zeta, \varphi) = \frac{\phi(\zeta)}{\sqrt{2\pi\zeta}} e^{iL\varphi} X(x)$$

- $X(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}\chi(x)$ and $L = |L_z^{\max}|$ is the light-front OAM

Light-front wave equation

$$\left(\frac{m_q^2}{x} + \frac{m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} - \frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U_{\text{eff}} \right) \chi(x) \phi(\zeta) = M^2 \chi(x) \phi(\zeta)$$

- For massless quarks: $U_{\text{eff}} \rightarrow U(\zeta)$

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In the chiral limit ($m_q \rightarrow 0$)

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U(\zeta) \right) \phi(\zeta) = M^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

- No longitudinal dynamical equation
- Wave function : $\Psi(x, \zeta) = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \phi(\zeta)$

For massive quark $m_q \neq 0$ ¹

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} - \frac{1-4L^2}{4\zeta^2} + U_{\perp}(\zeta) \right) \phi(\zeta) = M_{\perp}^2 \phi(\zeta)$$

$$\left(\frac{m_q^2}{x} + \frac{m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} + U_{\parallel} \right) \chi(x) = M_{\parallel}^2 \chi(x)$$

- Assumption: $U_{\text{eff}} = U_{\perp}(\zeta) + U_{\parallel}(x)$
- Masses : $M^2 = M_{\perp}^2 + M_{\parallel}^2$
- Wave functions : $\Psi(x, \zeta) = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \chi(x) \phi(\zeta)$
- Normalization : $\int dx |\chi(x)|^2 = \int d^2\zeta |\phi(\zeta)|^2 = 1$

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LIGHT-FRONT HOLOGRAPHY QCD



- String modes in anti-de-Sitter (AdS) space are mapped into the hadron states of the light-front Hamiltonian equations ¹
- Mapping between ζ and fifth dimension z in anti de-Sitter space
- Unique confining potential: $U_{\perp}^{\text{LFH}}(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1)$
- Meson mass spectra:

$$M_{\perp}^2(n_{\perp}, J, L) = 4\kappa^2 \left(n_{\perp} + \frac{J+L}{2} \right) \quad ; \quad J = L + S$$

- Massless pion (chiral limit): $M_{\pi}^2 = M_{\perp}^2(0, 0, 0) = 0$
- Transverse part of the wavefunction:

$$\phi_{n_{\perp}L}(\zeta) \sim \zeta^{1/2+L} \exp\left(\frac{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2}{2}\right) L_{n_{\perp}}^L(\kappa^2 \zeta^2)$$

- Longitudinal mode: $X(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}$, fixed by mapping the spacelike EM / GFF form factor calculated in AdS and LF formalism

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INVARIANT MASS ANSATZ FOR LIGHT-FRONT HOLOGRAPHY



$$\frac{\vec{k}_\perp^2}{x(1-x)} \rightarrow \frac{\vec{k}_\perp^2}{x(1-x)} + \frac{m_q^2}{x} + \frac{m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x}$$

- *Brodsky-de Téramond prescription* Mass correction due to $m_q \neq 0$ ¹

$$\Delta M_{\text{BdT}}^2 = \int \frac{dx}{x(1-x)} X_{\text{BdT}}^2(x) \left(\frac{m_q^2}{x} + \frac{m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} \right)$$

with

$$X_{\text{BdT}}(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left(\frac{m_q^2}{x} + \frac{m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} \right) \right]$$

- Masses: $M_\perp^2(n_\perp, J, L) + \Delta M_{\text{BdT}}^2$; (Pion mass: $M_\pi = \Delta M_{\text{BdT}}$)
- Phenomenologically successful: describes mass spectroscopy, form factors and parton distributions, etc., ¹²³⁴

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² J. R. Forshaw, R. Sandapen, Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 081601 (2012)

³ M. Ahmady, R. Sandapen, N. Sharma, Phys. Rev. D94, 074018 (2016)

⁴ M. Ahmady, C. Mondal, R. Sandapen, Phys. Rev. D98, 034010 (2018) & many more

SHORTCOMING WITH INVARIANT MASS ANSATZ



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THE 'T HOOFT EQUATION

Derived from the $(1+1)$ -dim QCD Lagrangian in the large N_c limit ¹ :



$$\left(\frac{m_q^2}{x} + \frac{m_q^2}{1-x} \right) \chi(x) + \frac{g^2}{\pi} \mathcal{P} \int dy \frac{|\chi(x) - \chi(y)|}{(x-y)^2} = M_{\parallel}^2 \chi(x)$$

- $g = g_s \sqrt{N_c}$ is the (finite) 't Hooft coupling with mass dimensions \rightarrow plays the role of Λ_{QCD} .
- Assuming $\chi(x) \approx x^{\beta_1} (1-x)^{\beta_2} \rightarrow$ end-point behavior characterized by :

$$\frac{\pi m_i^2}{g^2} - 1 + \pi \beta_i \cot(\pi \beta_i) = 0$$

- In the chiral limit, $m_i \rightarrow 0$ ²,

$$\beta_i = \sqrt{2m_i^2/\pi g^2}$$

$$M_{\pi}^2 = g \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{3}} (m_u + m_d) + \mathcal{O}(m_u + m_d)^2$$

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KEY OBSERVATIONS WITHIN 'T HOOFT MODEL



- In chiral limit : $M_\pi^2 \propto m_{u/d}$ (GMOR relation)
- $\beta = 0 \rightarrow \chi(x) = 1$ and $X(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}$, i.e. the longitudinal mode of light-front holography
- In heavy quark limit ^{1 2} : $f_M \propto m_Q^{-1/2}$ (HQET)
- The 't Hooft potential is consistent with the holographic potential in the non-relativistic limit and thus reflecting the restoration of manifest 3-dimensional rotational symmetry ³
- Following ⁴ :

$$U_{LF} = V_{IF}^2 + 4mV_{IF}$$

One finds: $V_\perp = \frac{1}{4}\kappa^2 b_\perp$ and $V_\parallel = \frac{1}{4}g^2 b_\parallel$

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MESON MASS SPECTRUM



$$M^2(n_{\parallel}, n_{\perp}, J, L) = M_{\perp}^2(n_{\perp}, J, L) + M_{\parallel}^2(n_{\parallel}; m_q, m_{\bar{q}}, g)$$

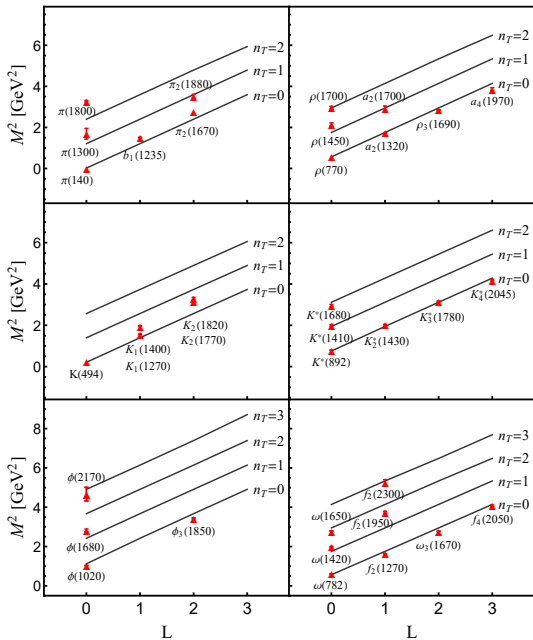
- Parity and charge conjugation quantum numbers to the meson to be $P = (-1)^{L+1}$ and $C = (-1)^{L+S+n_{\parallel}}$.
- Important points to mention :
 - We use universal holographic mass scale $\kappa = 0.523$ GeV
 - The universality of κ seems to be lost with BdT prescription for heavy mesons/baryons/tetraquarks ¹: $\kappa \propto \sqrt{m_Q}$.
 - We expected $\kappa \approx g$ for heavy-heavy mesons because of the restoration of the 3-dimensional rotational symmetry ²
 - We find that $n_{\parallel} \geq n_{\perp} + L$ (underlying link between the holographic Schrödinger Equation and the 't Hooft Equation)
- Parameters to compute masses:

Mesons	g	m_u/d	m_s	m_c	m_b
Light	0.128	0.046	0.357	-	-
Heavy-light	0.680	0.046	0.357	1.370	4.640
Heavy-heavy	0.523	-	-	1.370	4.640

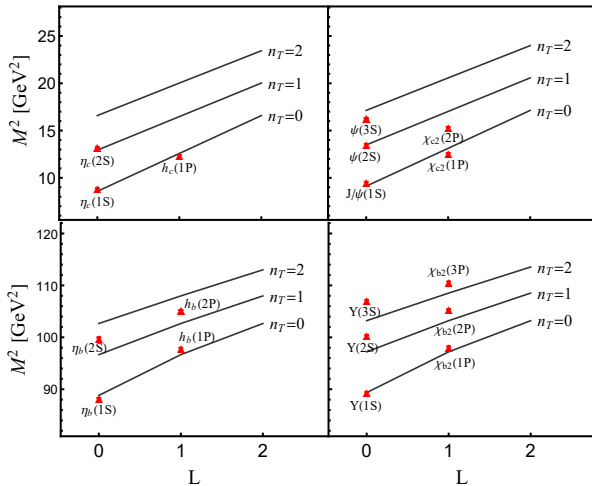
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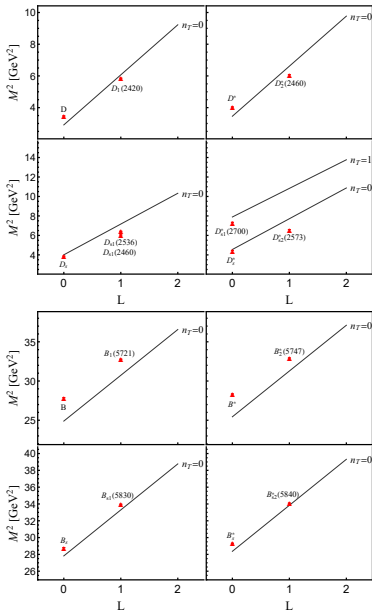
LIGHT MESONS



HEAVY MESONS



HEAVY-LIGHT MESONS



SUPERSYMMETRIC FORMULATION OF LFH



- Provides a unified description of baryons and mesons/tetraquarks
- Each baryon possesses two superpartners: a meson and a tetraquark
- Supersymmetric holographic Schrödinger Equation: $H |\phi\rangle = M_{\perp}^2 |\phi\rangle$ ¹²

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{4L_M^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} + U_M(\zeta) & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{d^2}{d\zeta^2} + \frac{4L_B^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} + U_B(\zeta) \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$U_M(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L_M + S_M - 1)$$

$$U_B(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L_B + S_D)$$

- Mesons with L_M and S_M are the superpartners of baryons with $L_B = L_M - 1$ and the diquark with $S_D = S_M$.
- Baryons with L_B and diquark with S_D are the superpartners with $L_T = L_B$ and $S_T = S_D$.

¹S.J. Brodsky, G.F. de Téramond, H.G. Dosch, C. Lorcé, Phys. Lett. B 759, 171 (2016)

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HARDONIC SUPERPARTNERS



$$M_M^2(n_\perp, n_\parallel, L_M, S_M) = 4\kappa^2 \left(n_\perp + L_M + \frac{S_M}{2} \right) + M_\parallel^2(n_\parallel; m_q, m_{\bar{q}}, g)$$

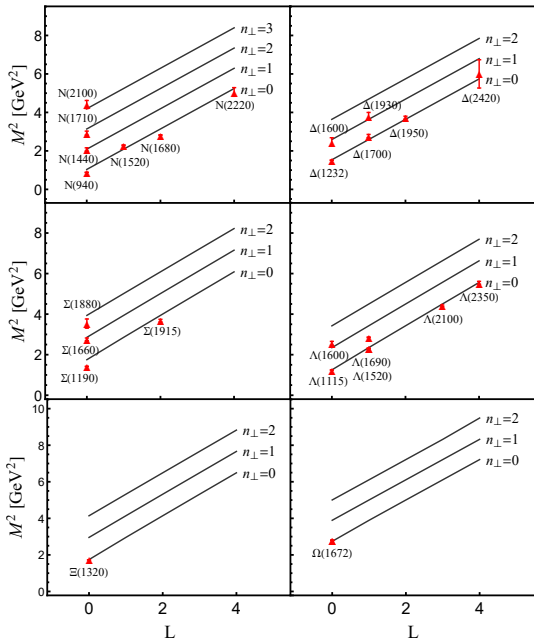
$$M_B^2(n_\perp, n_\parallel, L_B, S_D) = 4\kappa^2 \left(n_\perp + L_B + \frac{S_D}{2} + 1 \right) + M_\parallel^2(n_\parallel; m_q, m_{[qq]}, g)$$

$$M_T^2(n_\perp, n_\parallel, L_T, S_T) = 4\kappa^2 \left(n_\perp + L_T + \frac{S_T}{2} + 1 \right) + M_\parallel^2(n_\parallel; m_{[\bar{q}q]}, m_{[qq]}, g)$$

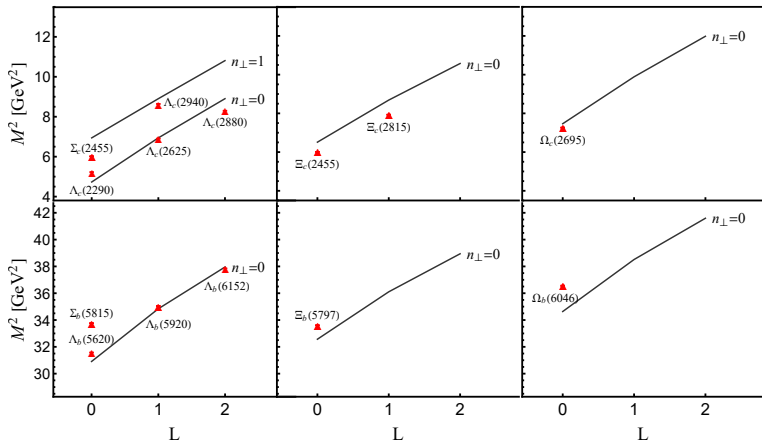
- Parity : $P = (-1)^{L_M+1} = (-1)^{L_B} = (-1)^{L_T}$
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LIGHT BARYONS

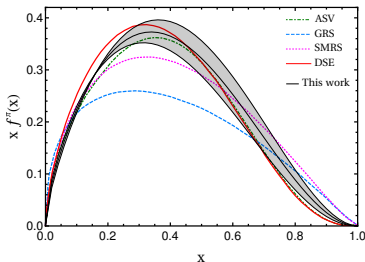
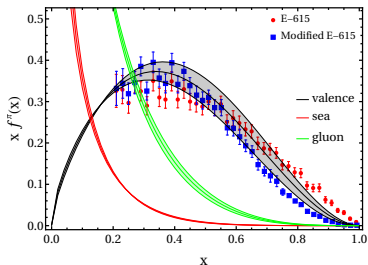


HEAVY-LIGHT BARYONS



¹ Particle Data Group (2020)

Application of LFWFs : Pion PDFs



LF wavefunction \Rightarrow Initial PDFs \Rightarrow Scale evolution ($0.240 \pm 0.024 \rightarrow 16 \text{ GeV}^2$)

- Pion valence PDF falls off as $(1-x)^{1.9}$, favoring a slightly slower falloff compared to the $(1-x)^2$ predicted by perturbative QCD and DSEs.

Valence moments	$\langle x \rangle$ 1.69	$\langle x \rangle$ 4	$\langle x^2 \rangle$ 1.69	$\langle x^2 \rangle$ 4
This work	0.271	0.245	0.121	0.103
JAM (2018)	0.268	0.245	0.127	0.108
BLFQ-NJL (2019)	0.271	0.245	0.124	0.106
BSE (2018)	0.268	0.240	0.125	—
ETM (2018) [Lattice]	—	0.207(11)	—	0.163(33)

- Gluons: **{36.8, 39.8, 42.7}%** of pion momentum at $\{1.69, 4, 10, 16\} \text{ GeV}^2$.

¹ JAM: PRL 121 (2018), BLFQ-NJL: PRL 122 (2019), BSE: PRL 124 (2020), ETM: PRD 99 (2019).

Distribution Amplitude and Transition Form Factor



$\pi \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma$ TFF:¹

$$F_{\pi\gamma}(Q^2) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} f_\pi \int_0^1 dx T_H(x, Q^2) \phi(x, \bar{x}Q)$$

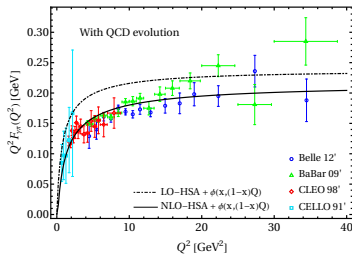
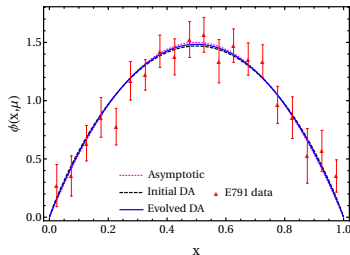
- DA evolution: ERBL evol. (Gegenbauer basis) Ruiz, *et. al.* PRD 66, (2002)
- Our DA is close to Asymptotic DA
- Our prediction agrees well with data reported by Belle Collaboration.
- It deviates from the rapid growth of the large Q^2 data reported by BaBar Collaboration.

Decay constant f_π :

LFH + 't Hooft Equation: 166.4 MeV
Experimental data: 130.2 ± 1.7 MeV

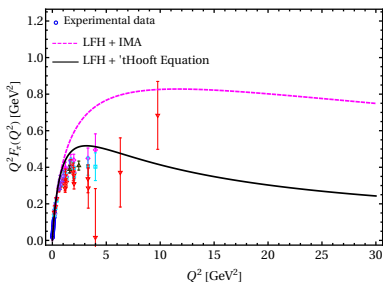
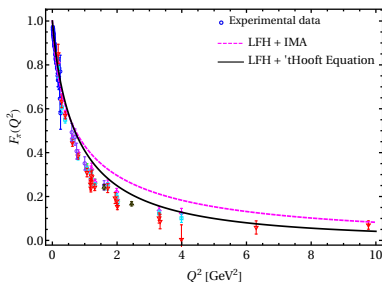
Decay constants for excited pions:

$$f_{\pi'} = 3.5 \text{ MeV}; \quad f_{\pi''} = 2.6 \text{ MeV}$$



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Pion Electromagnetic Form Factor



Charge radius:

$$\langle r_c^2 \rangle = -6 \lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{dQ^2} F_P(Q^2).$$

Pion charge radius: **0.69 fm**

Experimental data: **0.672 ± 0.008 fm**

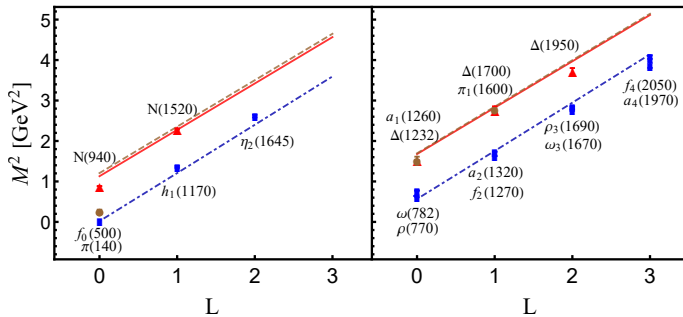
CONCLUSIONS



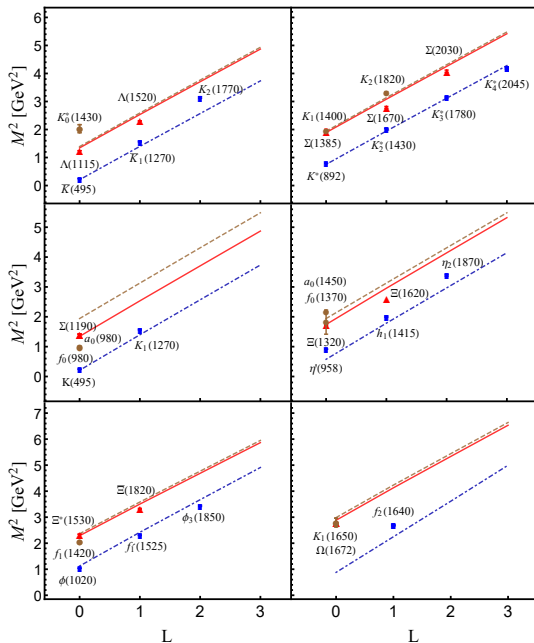
- The 't Hooft Equation is complementary to the holographic Schrödinger Equation in predicting the full hadron spectrum.
- We find that the emerging hadronic scale κ of LFH remains universal across the full spectrum. For heavy-heavy mesons, κ coincides with the 't Hooft coupling as expected for rotational symmetry in nonrelativistic limit.
- The baryons and mesons spectra are in good agreement with the data. For the tetraquark candidates, the agreement is less impressive.
- Wave functions lead to a good description of Pion FF, PDFs, PDA, and transition form factor ($\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma$).

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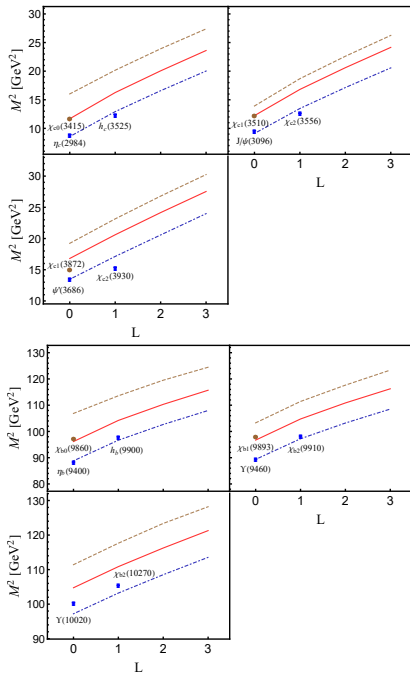
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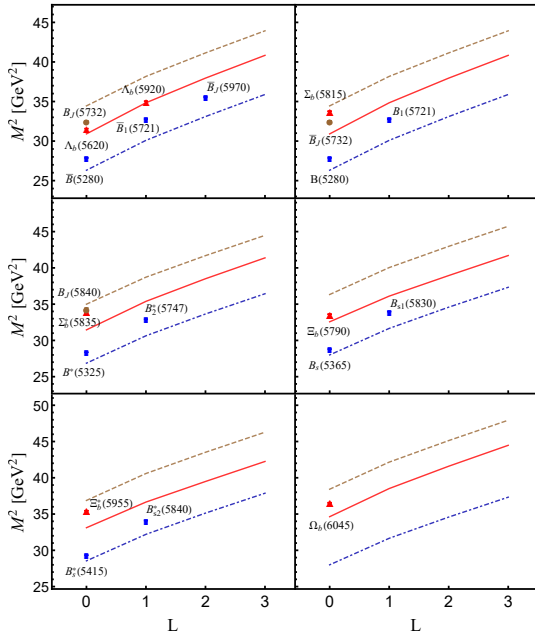
LIGHT-STRANGE SUPER-PARTNERS



HEAVY SUPER-PARTNERS



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