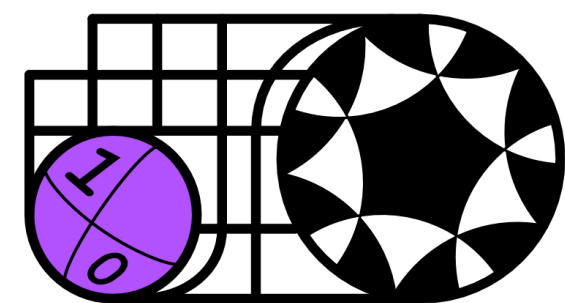
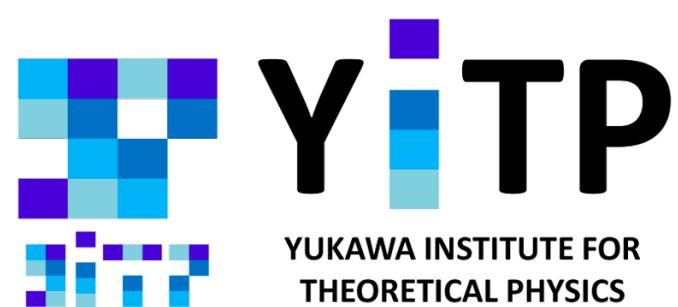


Introduction to Lattice QCD (part2)

Etsuko Ito (YITP, Kyoto U./RIKEN iTHEMS)



YITP long-term workshop

Hadrons and Hadron Interactions in QCD 2024 (HHIQCD2024)@ YITP, Kyoto U., 2024/10/16

Contents

1. Introduction

2. Lattice gauge theory

Lattice gauge theory and confinement - analytical study and beyond-

3. Introduction to numerical calculation

4. Configuration generation

5. Hadron mass spectrum

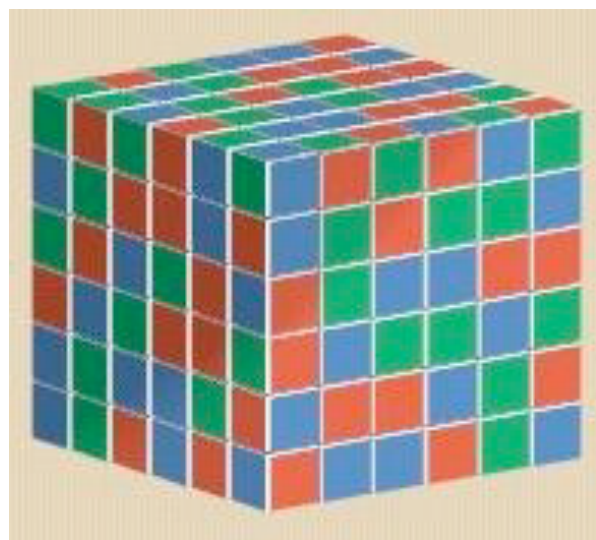
6. Advanced topics for mass spectrum

7. Summary

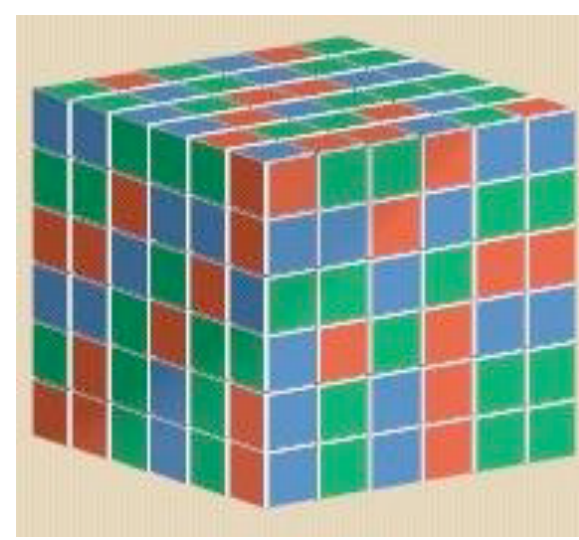
4. Hadron mass spectrum

Calculation strategy of Lattice QCD

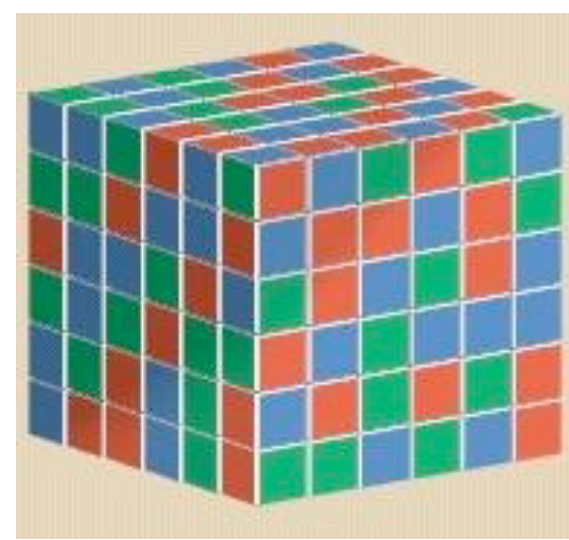
- We want to calculate the value: $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int D\phi \mathcal{O} e^{-S[\phi]}$
- Step1 : Generate configuration samples
- Step2 : Measure the value of observable for each conf.



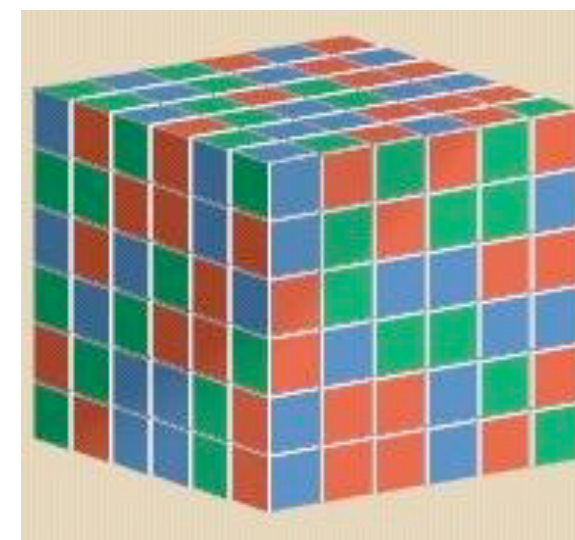
\mathcal{O}_1



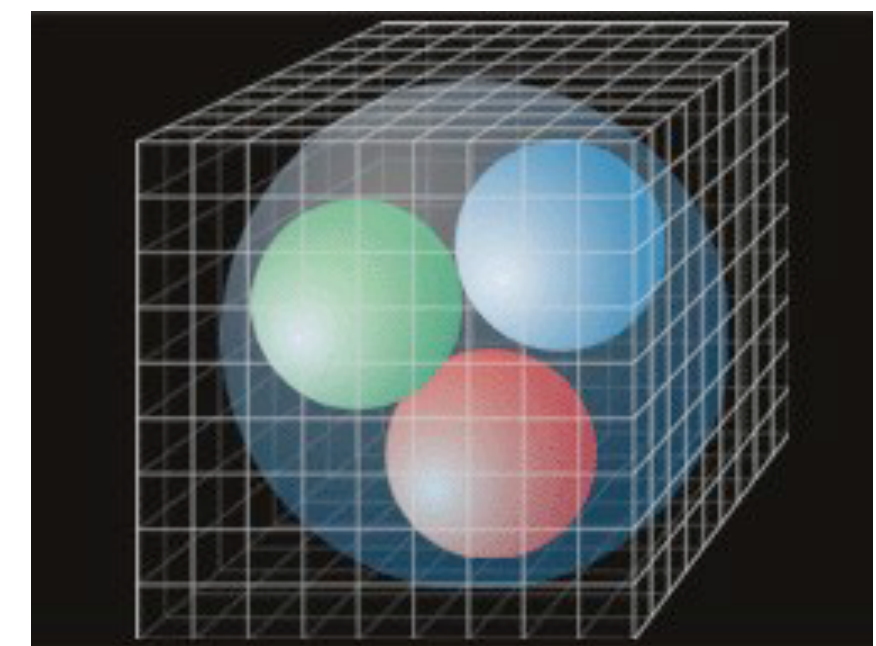
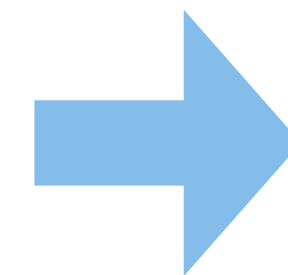
\mathcal{O}_2



\mathcal{O}_3



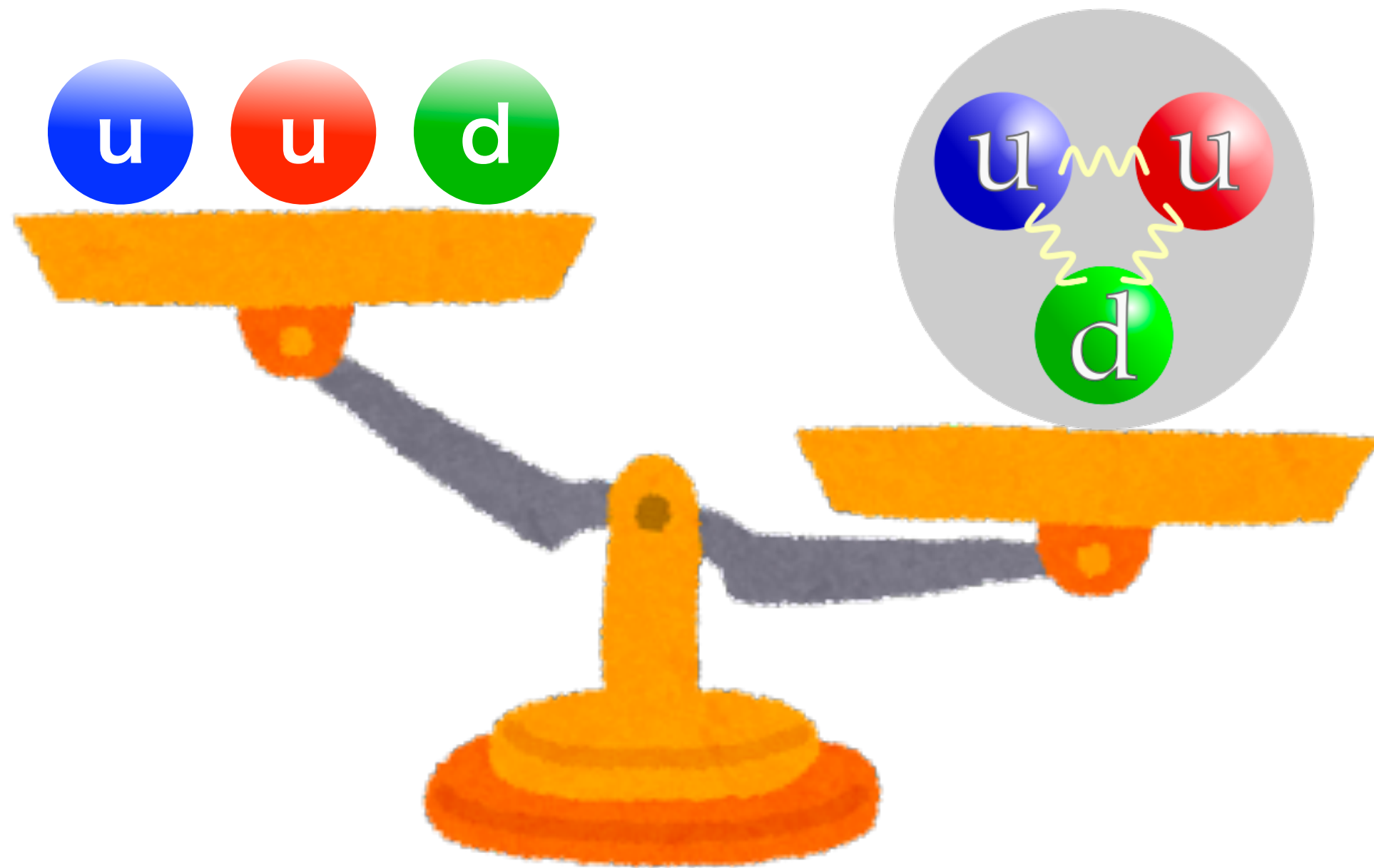
\mathcal{O}_N



$$\langle O \rangle = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N O_i$$

Hadron spectrum

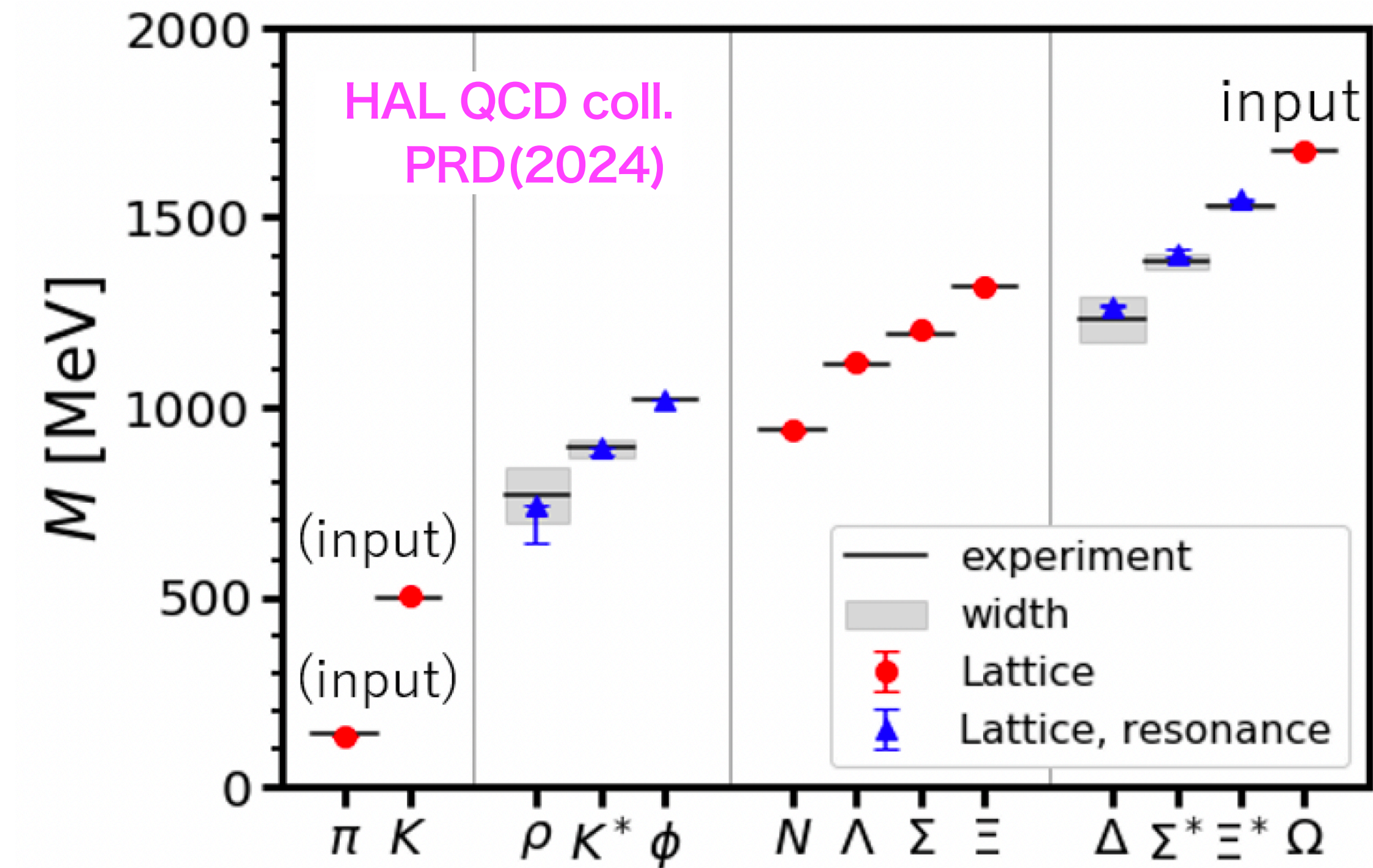
$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a + \bar{\psi}(i\gamma_{\mu}D_{\mu} + m)\psi$$



u,d quark mass ~ 2-5MeV
proton mass ~ 938MeV

- Hadron mass is very heavier than the sum of quark mass
- Input parameters are in QCD action
lattice bare coupling g_0 ($\leftrightarrow a$)
bare quark masses
- To give a theoretical prediction, taking into account of interaction effects correctly

Agreement between QCD predictions and experiments



- Input parameters are in QCD action lattice bare coupling g_0 ($\leftrightarrow a$)
- bare quark masses
(Left panel: $m_{u,d}^0, m_s^0$)
- Only 3 inputs give more than 10 hadron masses, which are consistent with experimental data within a few % errors
- This is quantitative evidence that hadron micro-theory is QCD

2-pt fn. and mass of the low-lying mode

- The observable \mathcal{O} to obtain the mass is the 2pt. fn. of the composite operator

$$(M = \bar{\psi}\gamma_5\psi, \bar{\psi}\gamma_i\psi, \bar{\psi}\psi)$$

$$C(\tau) = \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle M^\dagger(0, \vec{0}) M(\tau, \vec{x}) \rangle = \langle 0 | M(0) e^{iPx} M(0) e^{-iPx} | 0 \rangle \text{ (Fourier transf.)}$$

$$= \sum_k \int \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_n \langle 0 | M^\dagger(0) | E_k(\vec{p}) \rangle \frac{1}{2E_k(\vec{p})} \langle E_k(\vec{p}) | M(0) | 0 \rangle \frac{1}{2E_k(\vec{p})} + \dots$$

$$= \sum_k \frac{|\langle 0 | M(0) | E_k(\vec{p}) \rangle|^2}{2m_k} e^{-m_k\tau} + \dots, \quad \leftarrow \text{the sum of } e^{-m_k\tau}, k \text{ labels } k\text{-th excited state}$$

Here $E_k(\vec{p})$ denotes an one-particle state w/ momentum \vec{p} and mass $m_k = E_k(\vec{0})$

In large τ , the lowest mode ($k = 0$) remains $C(\tau) = \frac{|\langle 0 | M(0) | E_0 \rangle|^2}{2m_0} e^{-m_0\tau} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-\Delta m_n\tau})$.

In the case of $M = \bar{\psi}\gamma_5\psi$, the lowest mode is named "pion" then m_0 gives the pion mass

Hadron spectrum (calc. strategy)

- From the quarks, we would like to construct the 2-pt. fn. of hadron

- (Step 1) Calculate the quark propagator (using supercomputer)

$$D^{-1} = \overbrace{\bar{\psi}(x)_\alpha \quad \psi(y)_\beta}^{\text{quark propagator}}$$

- (Step 2) Measure the composite particle correlator expressed by the quark propagator (using supercomputer)

$$M(x) = \bar{\psi}\Gamma\psi(x), \Gamma = 1, \gamma_5, \gamma_\mu, \dots$$

- (Step 3) Calculate mass from the behavior of long-time range of correlations (local PC is available)

(Step 1) Calculate the quark propagator

• The QCD action : $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a + \bar{\psi}(i\gamma_\mu D_\mu + m)\psi$ quark bilinear form

• On the lattice, the lattice Dirac operator (Wilson fermion) is given by

$$D^{(W)}\psi(x) = \psi(x) - \kappa \sum_{\mu} [(1 - \gamma_{\mu})U_{\mu}(x)\psi(x + \hat{\mu}) + (1 + \gamma_{\mu})U_{\mu}^{-1}(x - \hat{\mu})\psi(x - \hat{\mu})]$$

$\kappa \propto 1/m^0$: hopping parameter

Symbolically, we denote it as $D^{(W)}(x, y)\psi(y)$ It is written by link variables.

From here, $D(x, y)$ denotes the lattice Dirac op. : $D(x, y) = (i\gamma_{\mu}D_{\mu} + m)$

• $D(x, y)$ has 2 color indices and 2 spinor indices w/ contract $\bar{\psi}(x)_{\alpha}^a$ and $\psi(y)_{\beta}^b$

Quark propagator is $[D^{-1}(x, y)]_{\alpha, \beta}^{a, b} = \overbrace{\bar{\psi}(x)_{\alpha}^a \psi(y)_{\beta}^b}$: It is a huge matrix.

the quark propagator

- In cont. limit, it expands to perturbatively

$$D^{-1}(x, y) =$$

- We'd like to calculate all possible diagrams (analytically impossible..)

How to calculate the quark propagator numerically

- If we consider $D(x, y)\phi(y) = \delta_{x, x_0}$, then $\phi(y) = D(x_0, y)^{-1}$ is the quark propagator

- Solve a huge linear equations $A \cdot x = b$

- Algorithm: conjugate gradient (CG) method

Improvements: prepare a vector $\eta = Db$, then solve $x = (D^\dagger D)^{-1}\eta$

Eigenvalue of $(D^\dagger D)$ is real, there is a fast algorithm to obtain its inverse matrix

- Comment: the size of matrix

$[D^{-1}(x, y)]_{\alpha, \beta}^{a, b}$: spacetime vol. = N_s^4 , color = 3×3 (complex), spinor = 4×4

[size of $[D^{-1}(x, y)]_{\alpha, \beta}^{a, b}$] = $(N_s^4 \times 3 \times 4)^2$

In HAL QCD paper (2024), we take $N_s = 96$, the quark propagator is $10^9 \times 10^9$ matrix ! !

(Step 2) Construct the composite state correlator from the quark propagator

$$C(\tau) = \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle M^\dagger(0, \vec{0}) M(\tau, \vec{x}) \rangle = \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle (\bar{\psi} \Gamma \psi(0, \vec{0}))^\dagger \bar{\psi} \Gamma \psi(\tau, \vec{x}) \rangle$$

$$= \int d^3x \text{Tr} \left[\Gamma_{\alpha\beta} D^{-1}(x, 0)_{\beta\gamma}^{bd} (\Gamma^\dagger)_{\gamma\rho} D^{-1}(0, x)_{\rho\sigma}^{ca} \delta^{ab} \delta^{cd} \right] = \left\langle \text{Tr} \left[\Gamma D^{-1}(x, 0) \Gamma^\dagger D^{-1}(0, x) \right] \right\rangle$$

Multiply the matrix and take the trace

If the pseudo-scalar, $\Gamma = \gamma_5$, the Dirac op. is γ_5 -hermiticity (hermiticity in Euclidean spacetime) $\gamma_5 D^\dagger \gamma_5 = D$ then

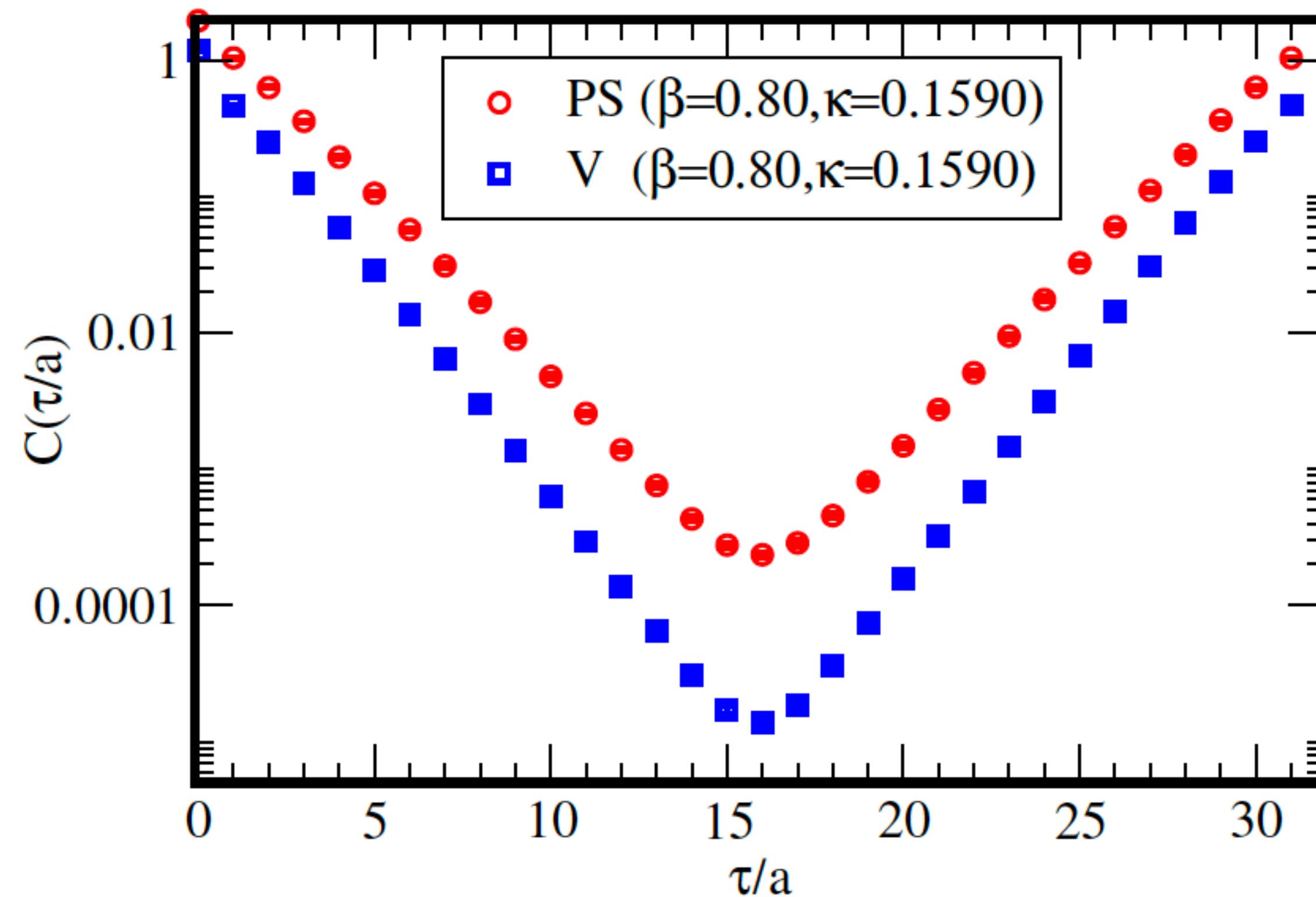
$$C_{PS}(\tau) = \left\langle \text{Tr} \left[(D^{-1})^\dagger(0, x) D^{-1}(0, x) \right] \right\rangle$$

Using the Schwartz inequality, for any Γ (such that $\Gamma^2 = 1$)

$$\text{Tr} \Gamma D^{-1}(x, 0) \Gamma D^{-1}(0, x) = \text{Tr} \Gamma \gamma_5 (D^{-1})^\dagger(0, x) \gamma_5 \Gamma D^{-1}(0, x) \leq \text{Tr} (D^{-1})^\dagger(0, x) D^{-1}(0, x)$$

QCD inequality and the lightest meson

- $C_{(\bar{\psi}\Gamma\psi)}(\tau) \leq C_{PS}(\tau)$ for any Γ (such that $\Gamma^2 = 1$) in whole τ



Pseudo-scalar op.: $M = \bar{\psi}\gamma_5\psi$

vector meson op.: $M = \bar{\psi}\gamma_1\psi$

$C_V(\tau) \leq C_{PS}(\tau)$ and never cross

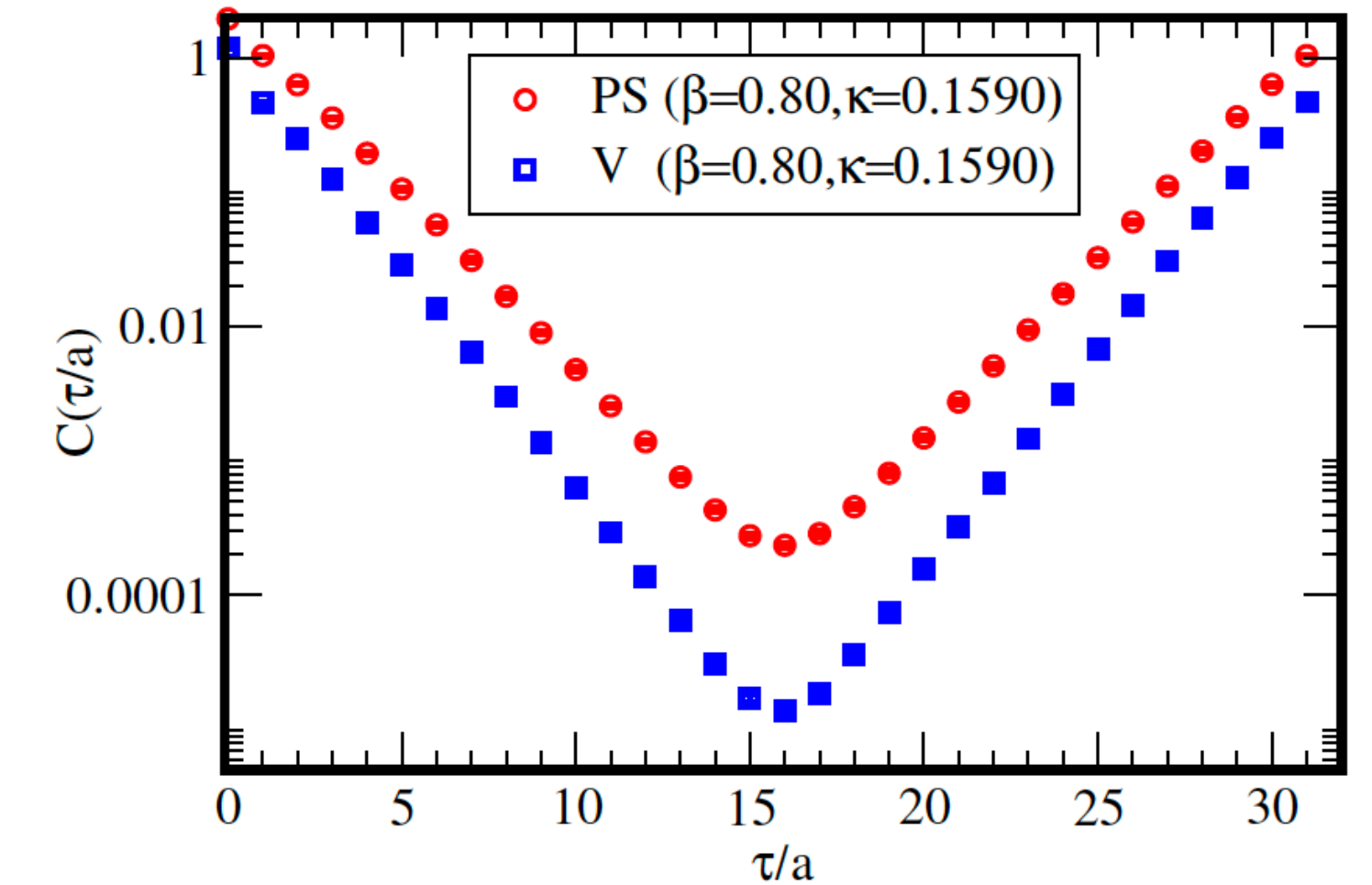
The slopes in $C_{PS}(\tau) \approx e^{-m_\pi\tau}$ are gentler than those in $C_V(\tau) \approx e^{-m_\rho\tau}$.

$m_\pi \leq m_{(\bar{\psi}\Gamma\psi)}$ for any mesons

Periodicity of the lattice

- In lattice simulations, we usually impose periodic b.c. Then the meson correlation fn. has a cosh shape:

$$C(\tau) \sim e^{-m\tau} + e^{-m(N_\tau - \tau)} \sim \cosh(m(\tau - N_\tau/2))$$

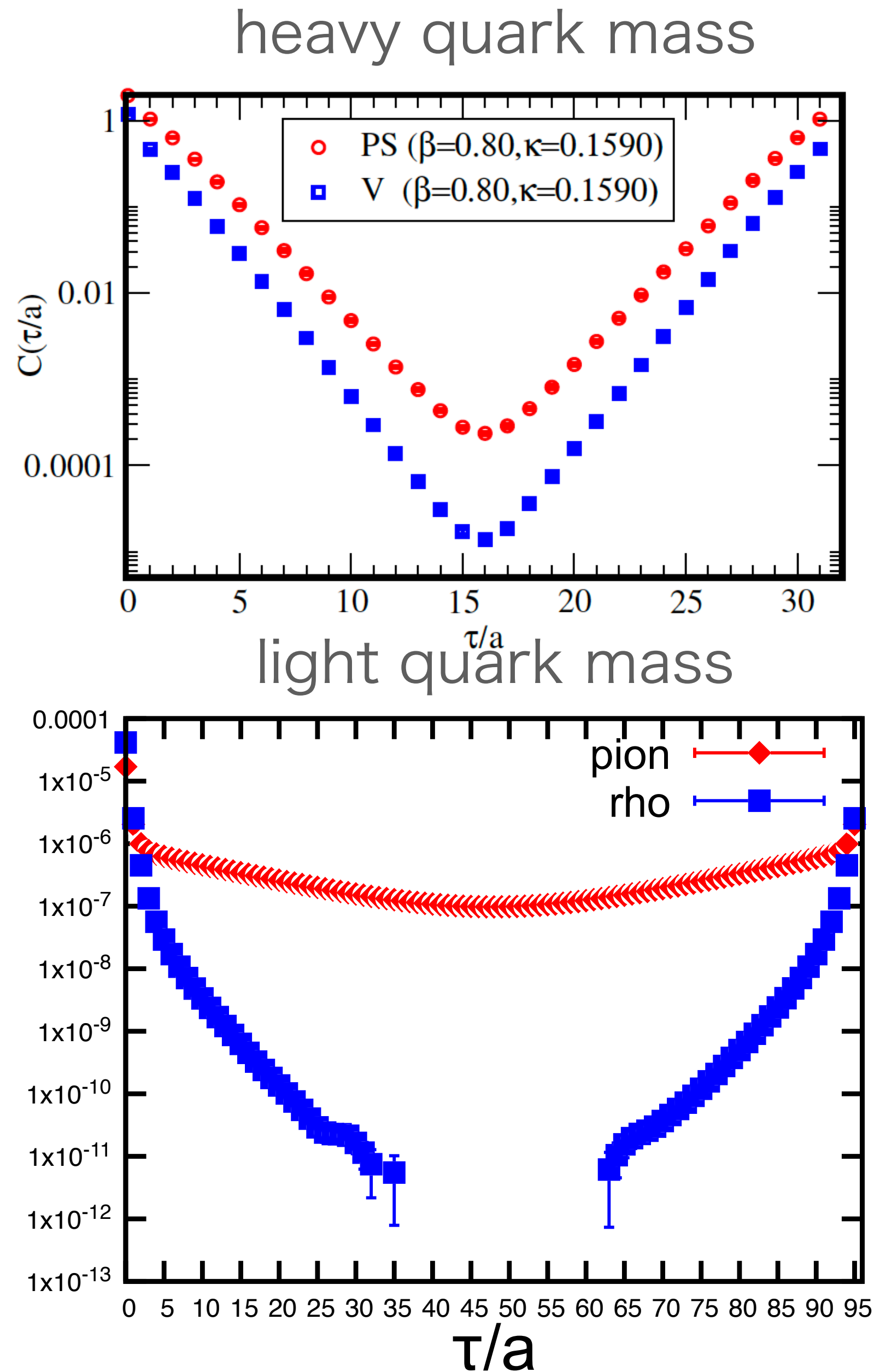


- Note: This is not the case with regard to baryons. For instance the nucleon (N), the positive and negative mass eigenstates of parity (N^\pm) have different masses ($m_{N^+} \neq m_{N^-}$). Then the slope of forward and backward correlation fn. N^\pm shows asymmetry against τ .

QCD inequality and the lightest meson

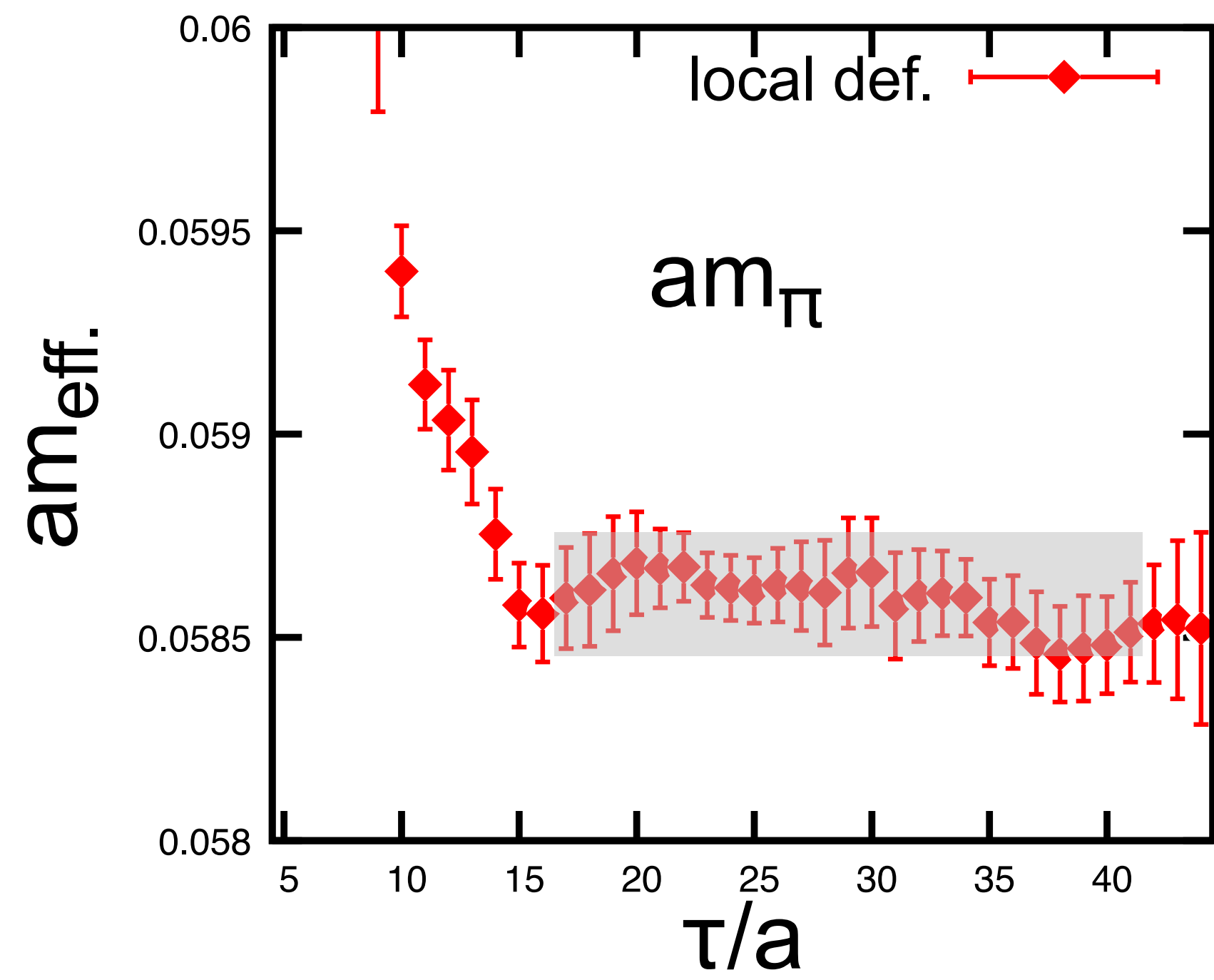
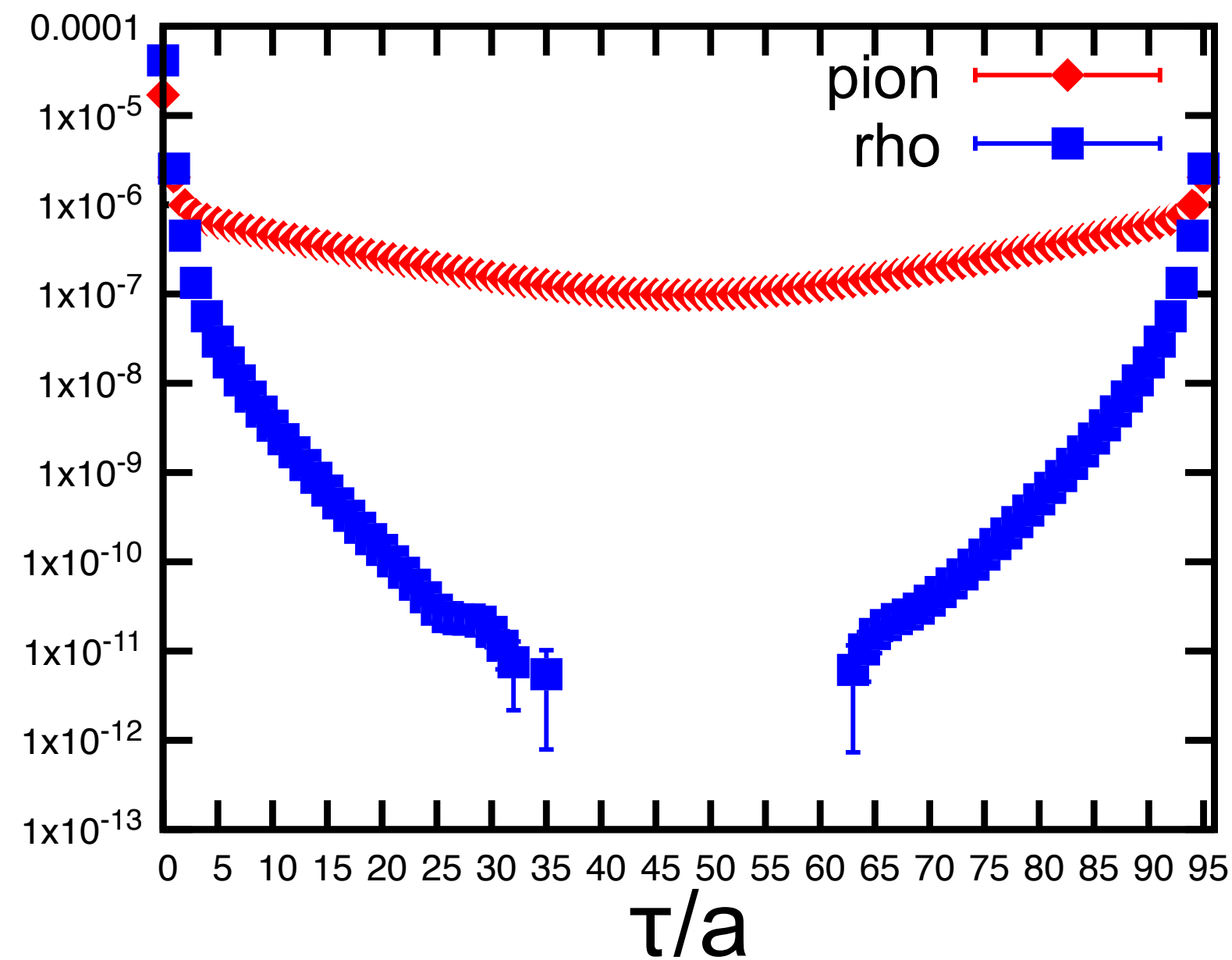
- $C_{(\bar{\psi}\Gamma\psi)}(\tau) \leq C_{PS}(\tau)$ for any Γ (such that $\Gamma^2 = 1$) \Rightarrow pion is the lightest meson
- Here, we assume
 - (1) the Dirac op. has the γ_5 -hermiticity
 - (2) no disconnected contribution to the 2-pt. fn.
- (1) is broken if the finite-density term is included
$$\gamma_5 D^\dagger(\mu) \gamma_5 = D(-\mu) \text{ not } \gamma_5 D^\dagger(\mu) \gamma_5 = D(\mu)$$
- (2) is broken if iso-singlet scalar meson

Quark mass dependence of correlation fns.



- Top panel: $m_\pi/m_\rho \sim 0.8$ (heavy quark mass)
- Bottom panel: $m_\pi/m_\rho \sim 0.2$ (light quark mass)
(physical point)
- By changing lattice bare mass (κ), this ratio is a result of.
- In lighter quark mass, ρ can decay to 2 pion.
 ρ cannot propagator long time.
The signal of the correlation fn. becomes noisy in long τ regime.
Hard to obtain precise data for heavier hadron mass

(Step 3) Calculate mass from the long-time range of correlations



1. Fit the data in the appropriate τ region with $f(\tau) = c_0 + c_1 e^{-c_2 \tau}$
the best-fit value of $c_2 = m$

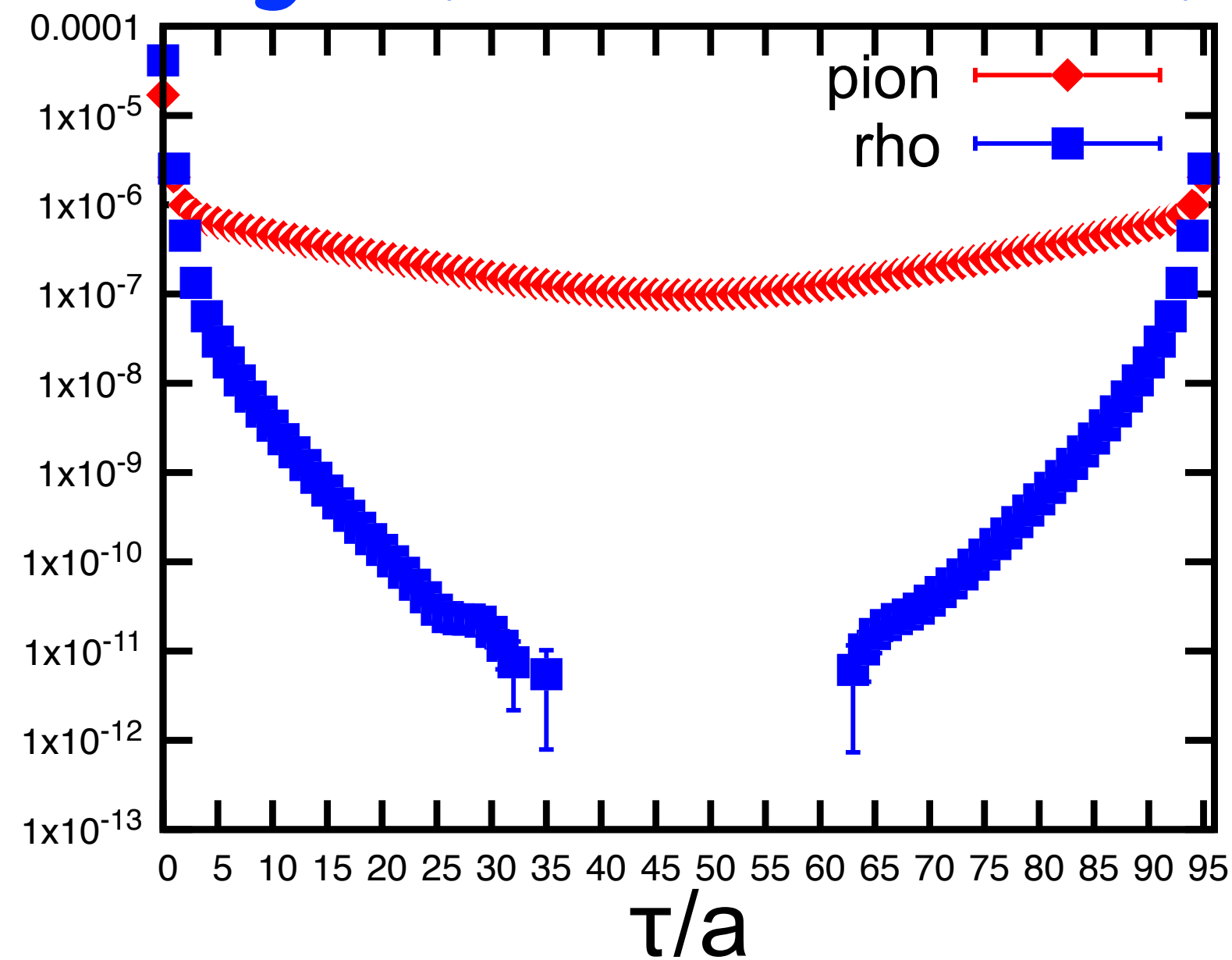
2. Calc. effective mass

$$m_{eff}(\tau) = -\log[C(\tau + 1)/C(\tau)]$$

In long τ , it should converge with the lowest state mass

Find a plateau of m_{eff}

Heavy (unstable) meson case

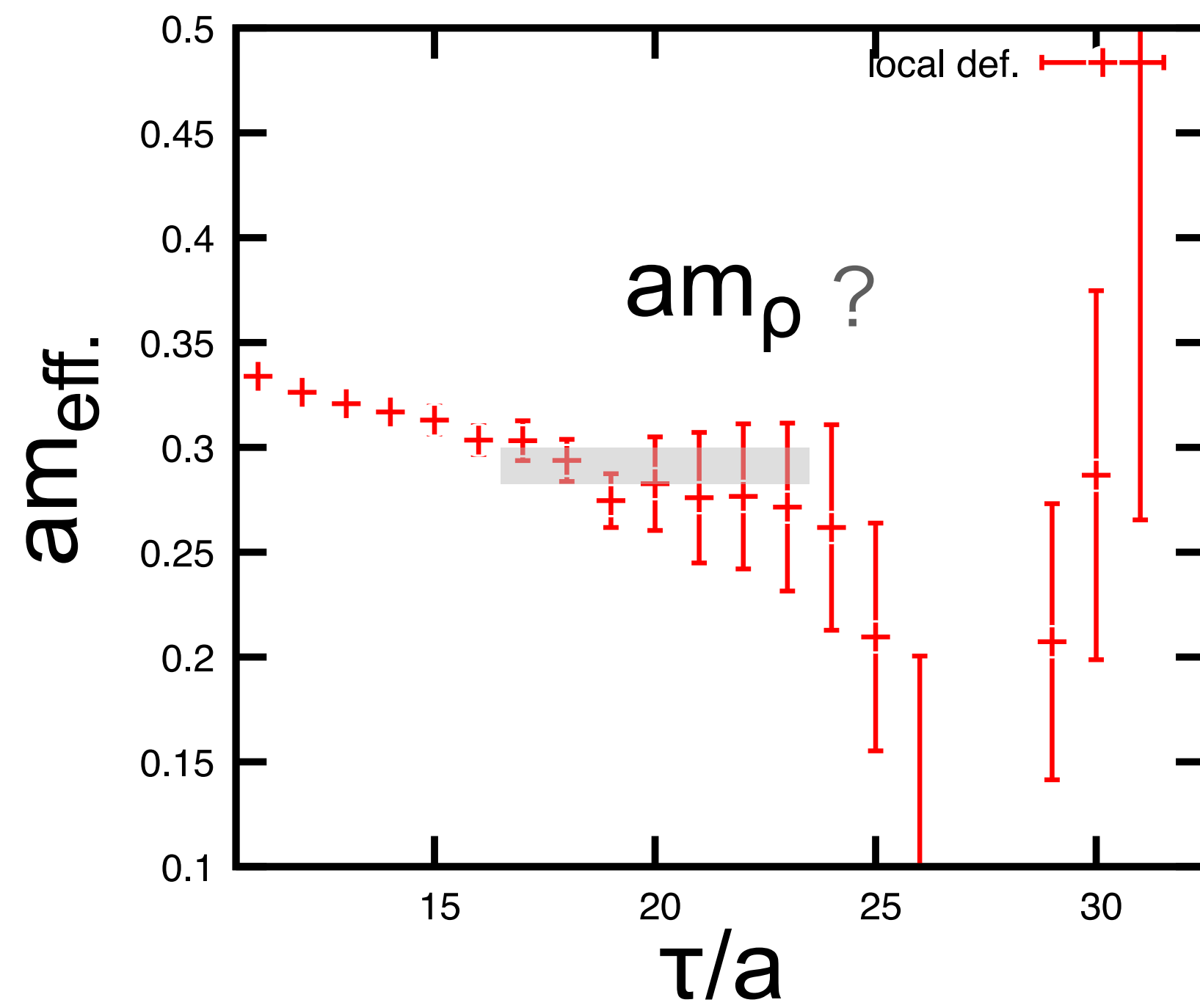


- Calc. effective mass

$$m_{eff}(\tau) = -\log[C(\tau + 1)/C(\tau)]$$

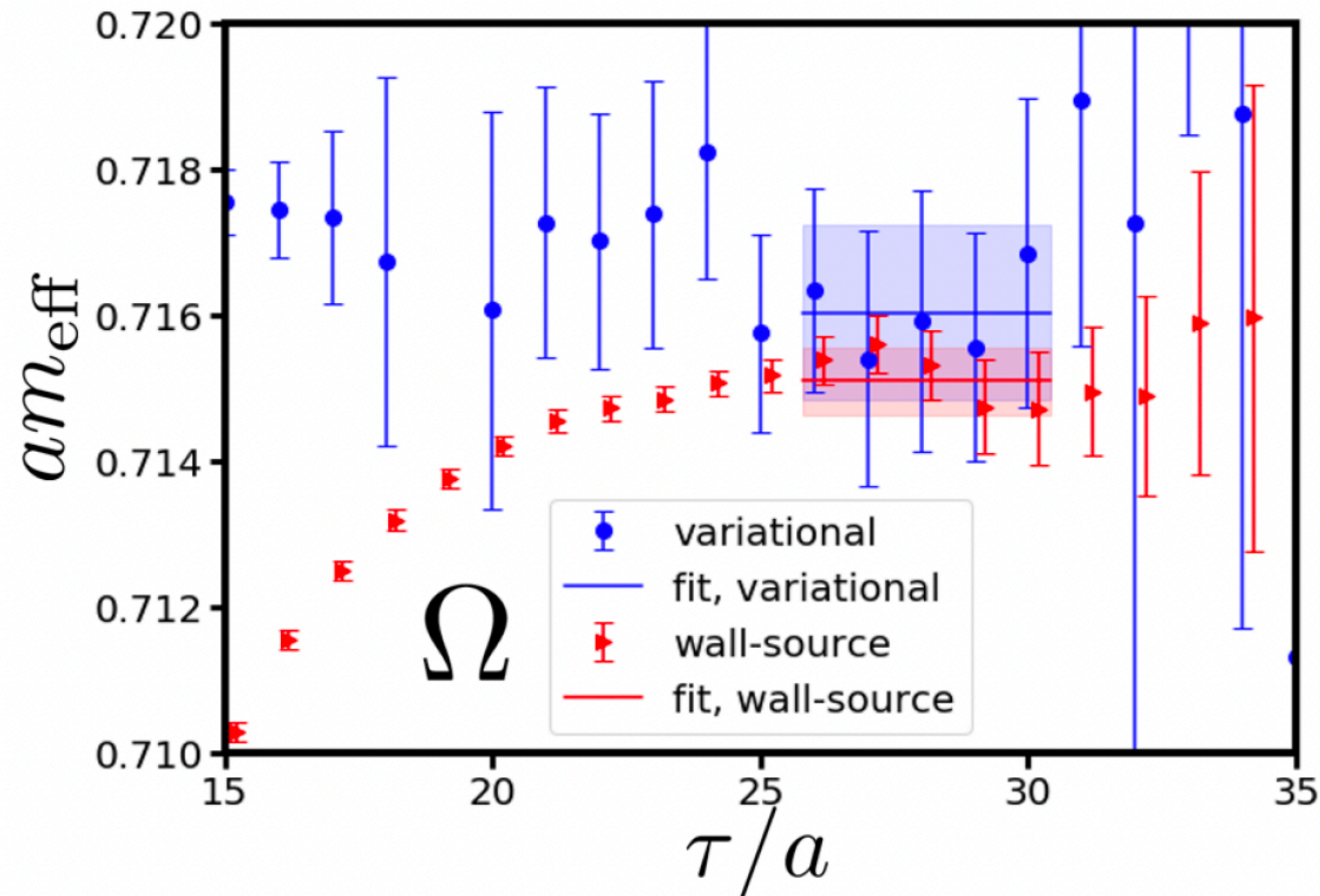
In long τ , it should converge with the lowest state mass

Find a plateau of m_{eff}



- It is difficult to find a plateau for heavy (unstable) case

Choice of source term



wall source: $q_{s,a}(x_0) = \sum_{\vec{x}_0} q_a(\vec{x}_0, 0)$

smeared source: $q_{s,a}(x_0) = \sum_{\vec{x}_0} f_q(|\vec{x}_0 - \vec{y}|) q_a(\vec{y}, 0)$

(smeared quark op. in $|\vec{x}_0 - \vec{y}|$ regime)

- To obtain the quark propagator, we solve

$$D(x, y)\phi(y) = \delta_{x, x_0}$$

- We introduce source op.

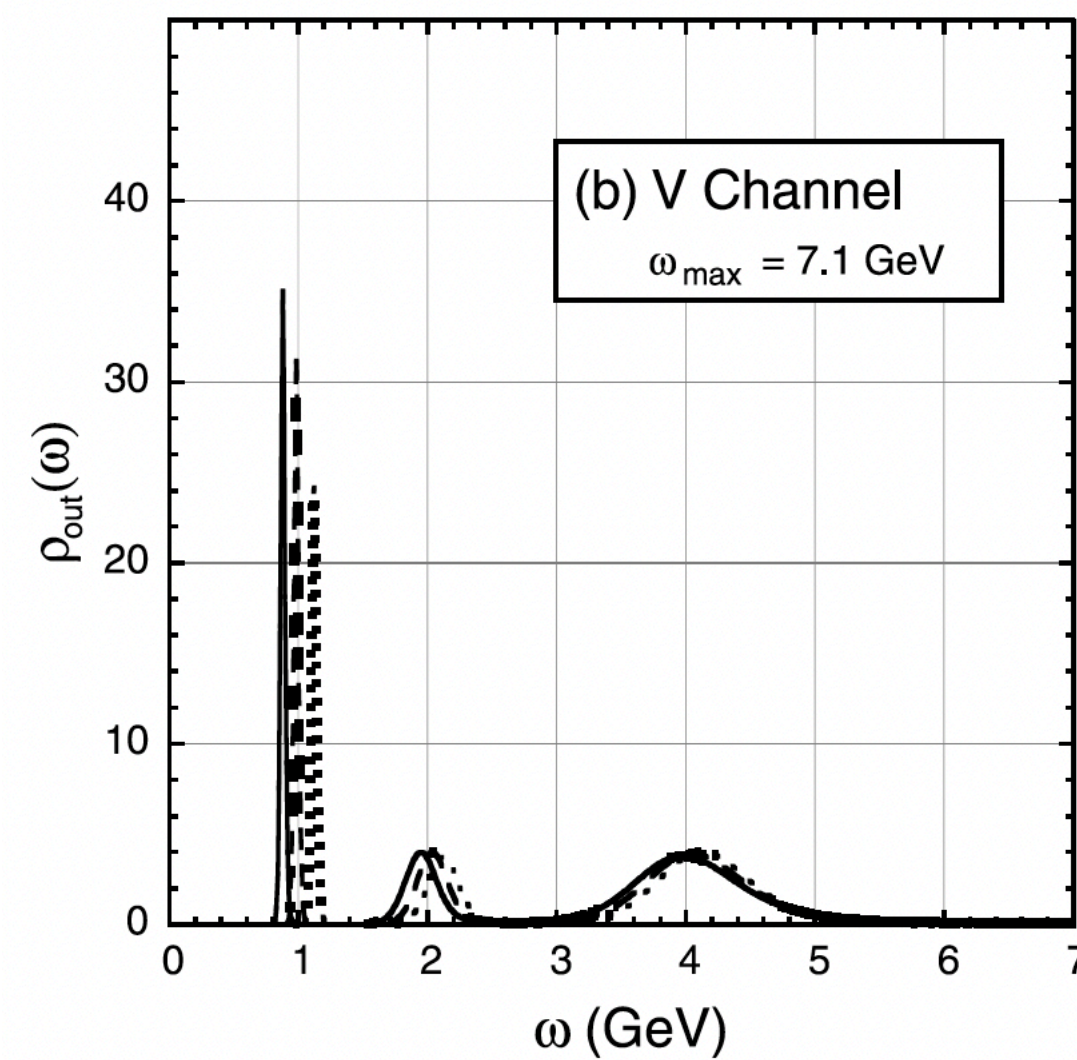
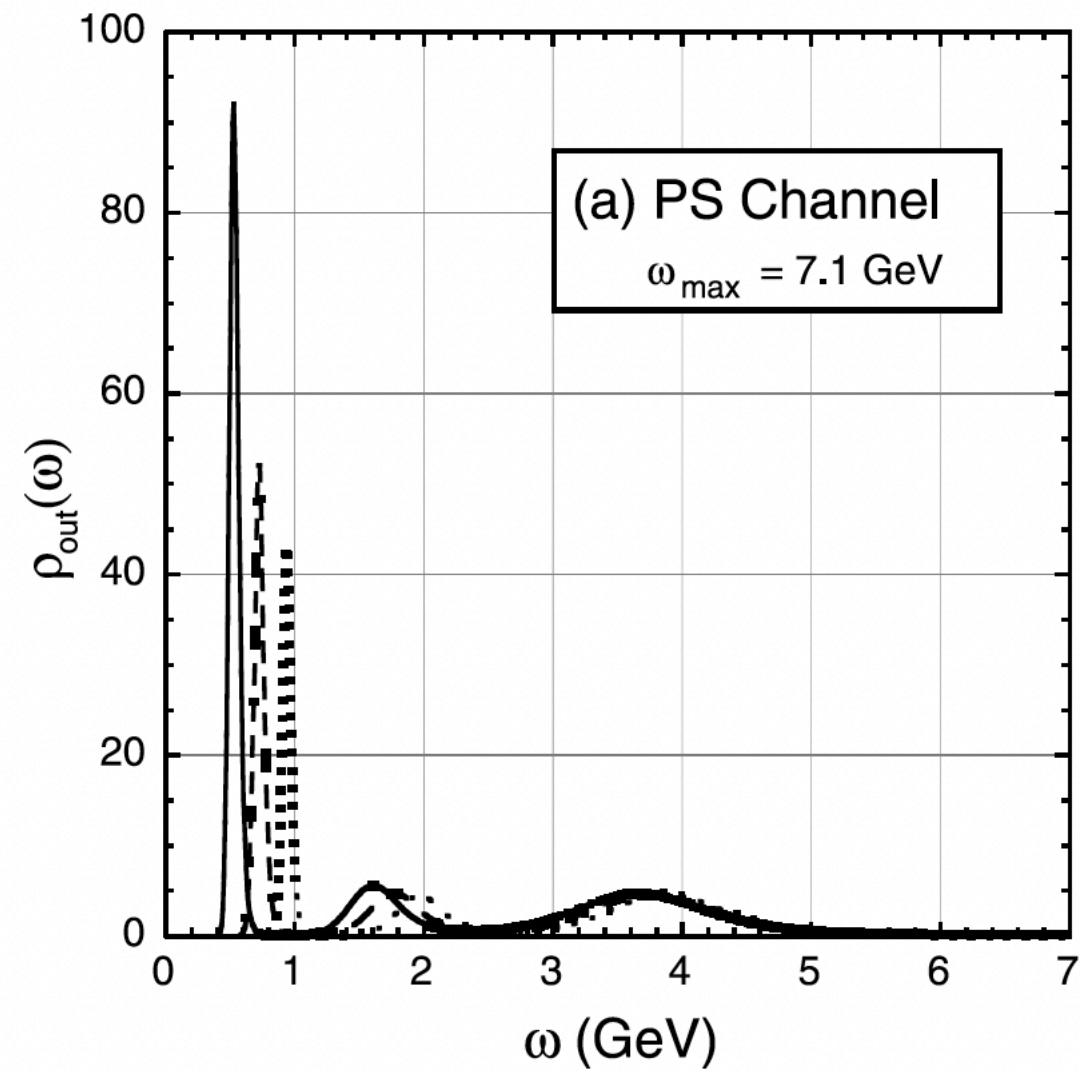
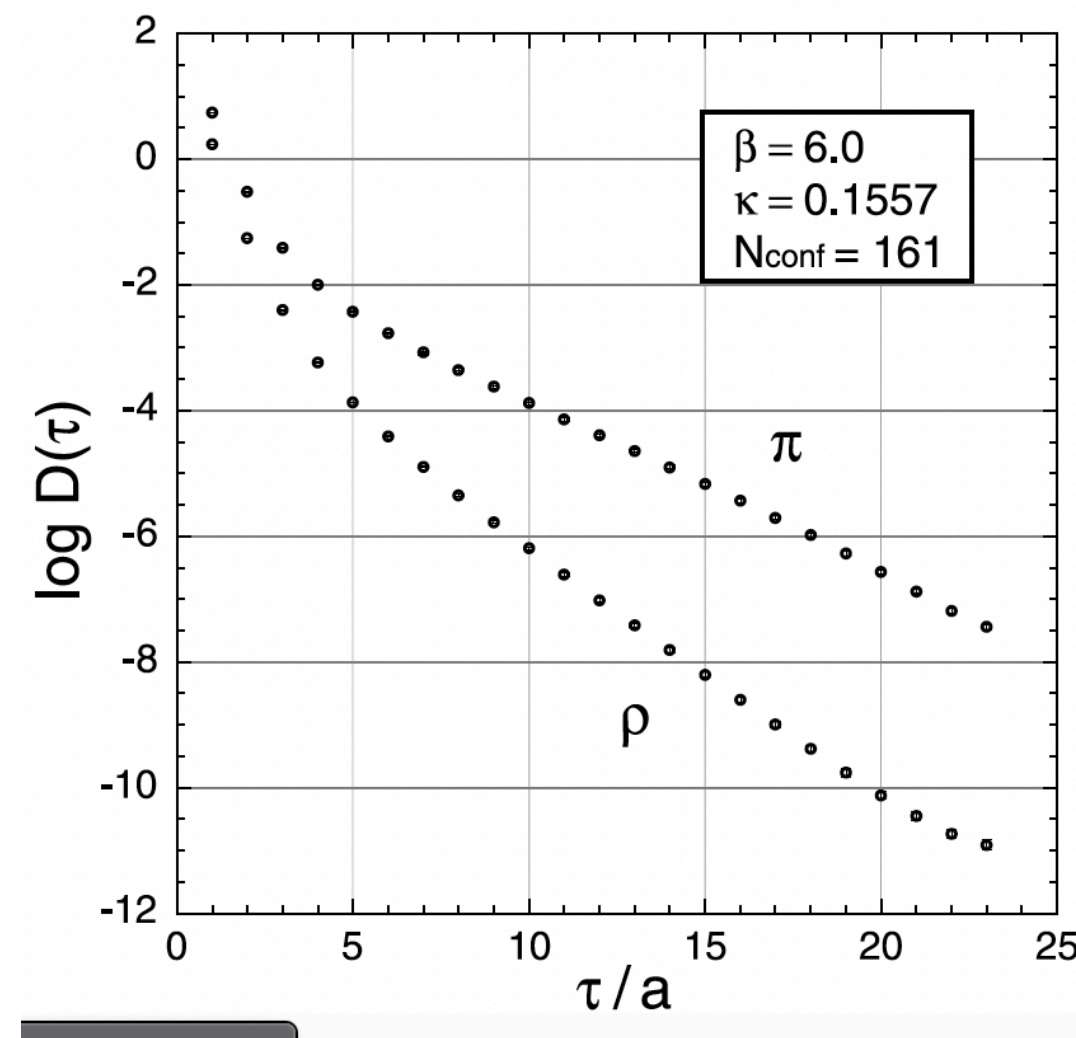
$$D(x, y)\phi(y) = \delta_{x, x_0} q_s(x_0) \text{ at } x = x_0$$

- Changing source op. changes the operator mixing around $x = x_0$

But it does not change the long distance behavior

- Changing source op. gives a cross check of the contamination of excited state/boundary effect

Other analysis of the correlation fn.



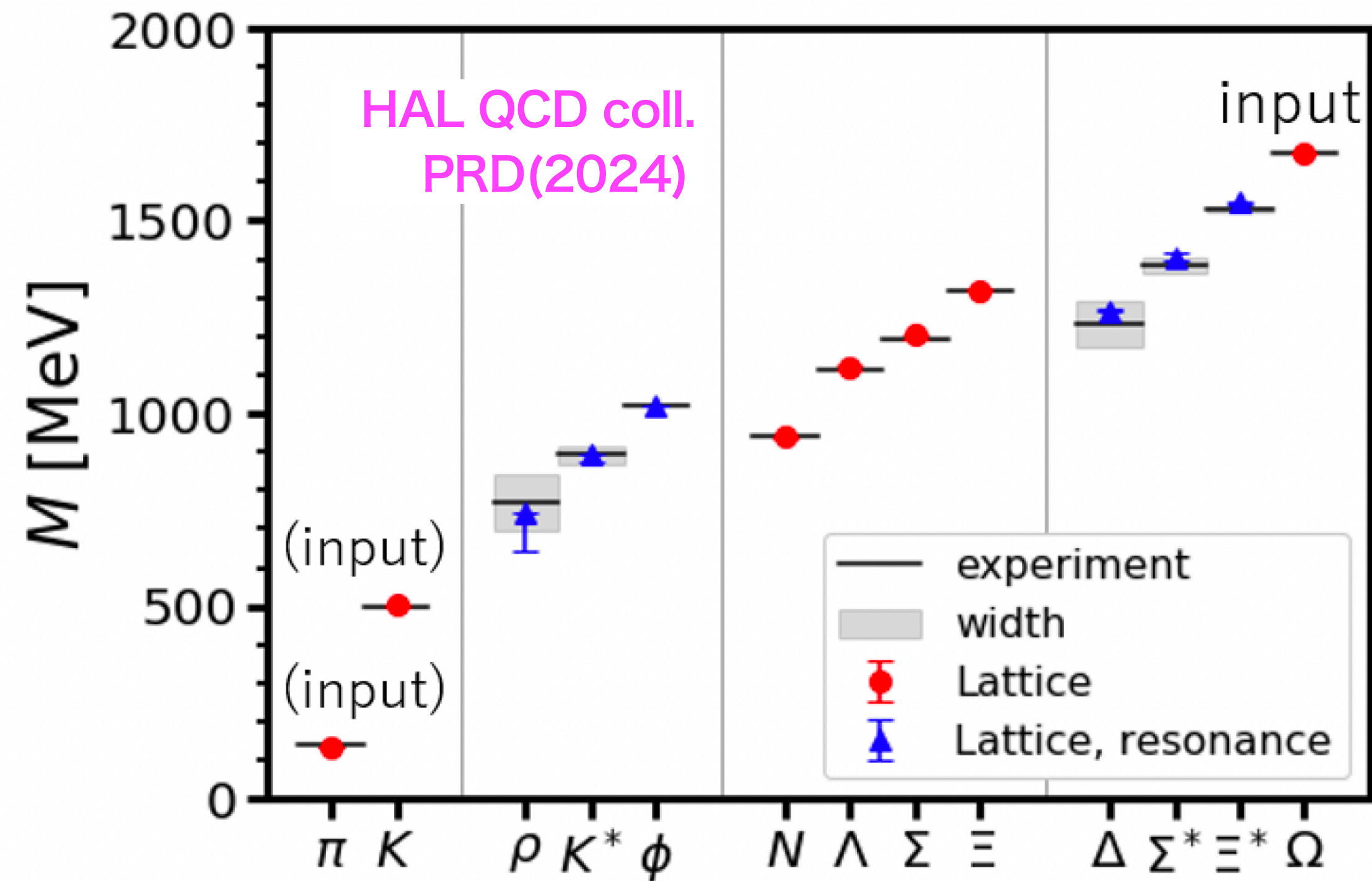
M.Asakawa, T.Hatsuda, Y.Nakahara,
 Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. 46 (2001) 459-508

- Can we obtain the spectrum function? -> Yes!

$$C(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} d\omega K(\tau, \omega) \rho(\omega), \quad K(\tau, \omega) = \frac{\cosh\left(\omega\left(\frac{N_\tau}{2} - \tau\right)\right)}{\sinh\left(\frac{\omega N_\tau}{2}\right)}$$

- Note: on the lattice, # of data points of $C(\tau)$ is finite, it makes difficult to obtain $\rho(\omega)$ (it becomes ill-posed inverse problem)
- Maximal entropy method
 Sparse modeling method
 Machine learning... are proposed
- Obtaining $\rho(\omega)$ is very useful for the other quantities (viscosity, PDF...)

Physical scale setting



- all quantities are dimension-less

- 3 input parameters

$$g_0 (\rightarrow a), \kappa_{u,d} (m_{ud}^0), \kappa_s (m_s^0)$$

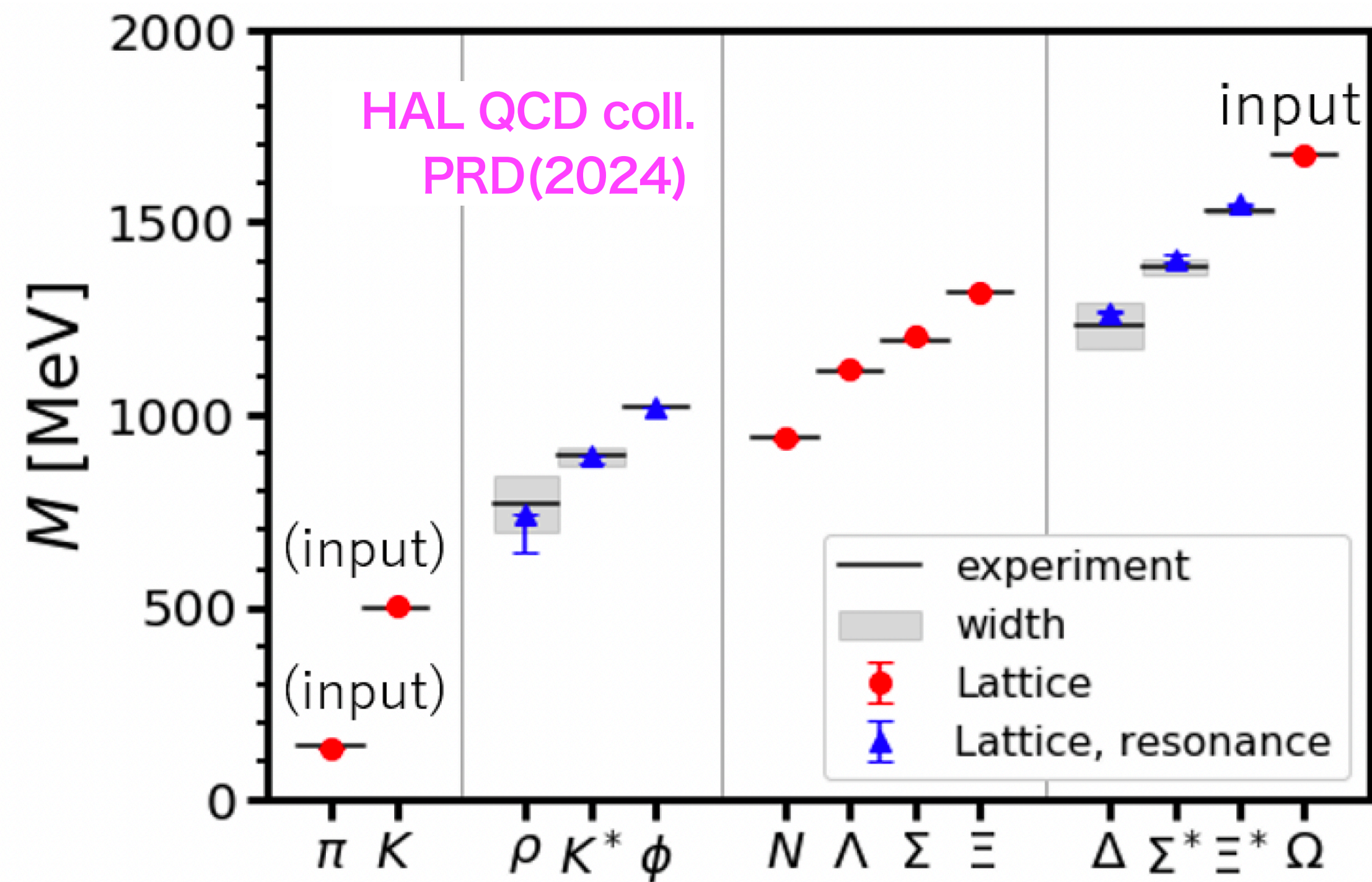
- In HAL QCD paper, we calc.

$$am_{\Omega} \rightarrow \text{fix the scale } a \approx 2.3 \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

$$am_{\pi} \rightarrow \text{fix } \kappa_{u,d}, (\kappa_{u,d}=0.126117)$$

$$am_K \rightarrow \text{fix } \kappa_s, (\kappa_s=0.124902)$$

Summary of mass spectrum calculation



- Calculate hadron correlation fn., which is written by quark propagator
- Seeing long propagation time, we can extract the mass of low-lying state for composite state
pseudo-scalar meson \rightarrow pion
vector meson \rightarrow rho
- The mass of excited states/unstable particles can be obtained using the same strategy

6. Advanced topics for mass spectrum

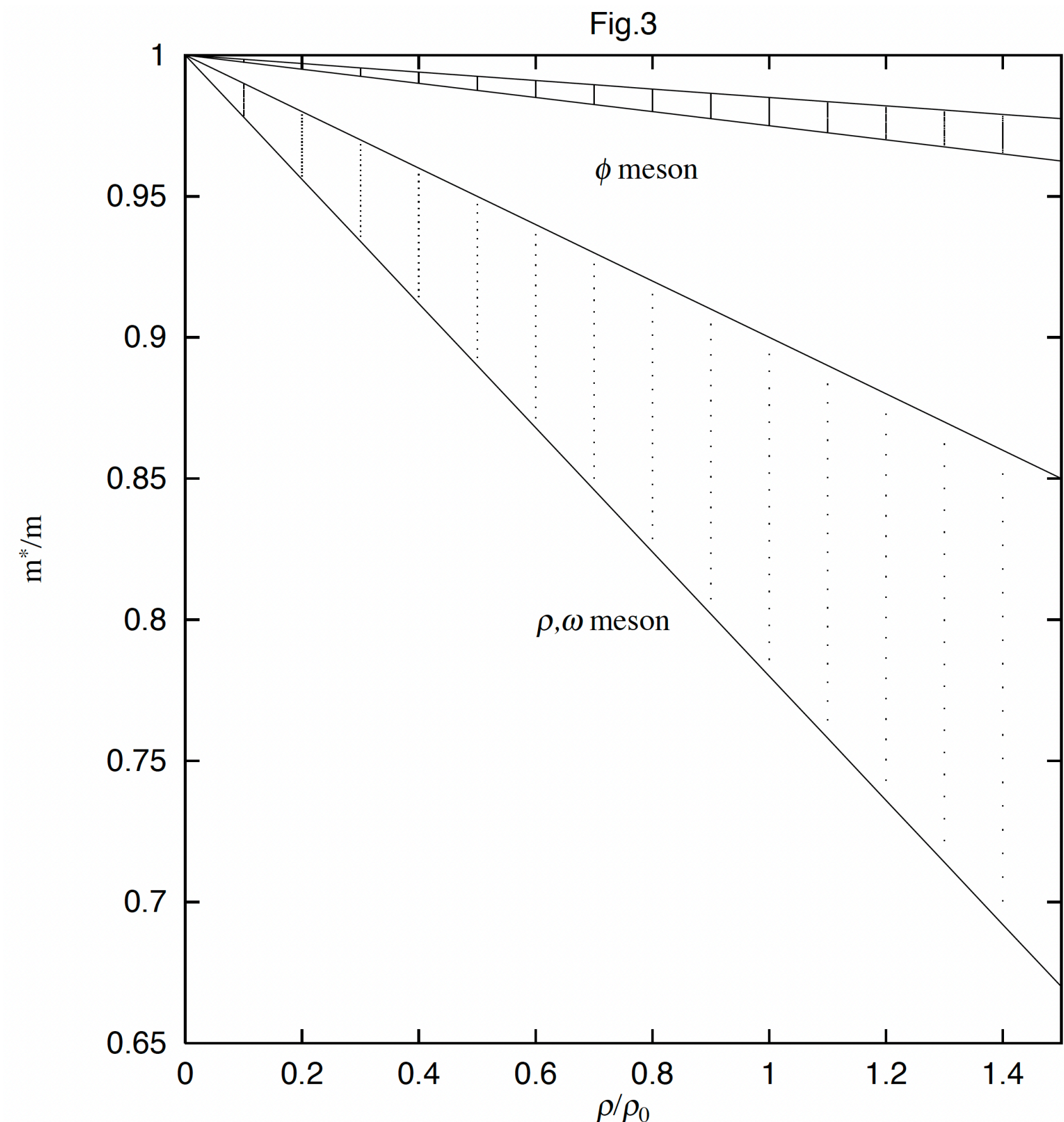
QCD inequality and the lightest meson

- $C_{(\bar{\psi}\Gamma\psi)}(\tau) \leq C_{PS}(\tau)$ for any Γ (such that $\Gamma^2 = 1$)
- Here, we assume
 - (1) the Dirac op. has γ_5 -hermiticity $\gamma_5 D^\dagger(\mu) \gamma_5 = D(\mu)$
 - (2) no disconnected contribution to the 2-pt. fn.
- (1) is broken if the finite-density term is included
$$\gamma_5 D^\dagger(\mu) \gamma_5 = D(-\mu)$$
- (2) is broken if iso-singlet scalar meson

In density regime, what is the lightest meson?

$m^*(\rho)/m(\rho_0)$ ratio as a fn of density (ρ)

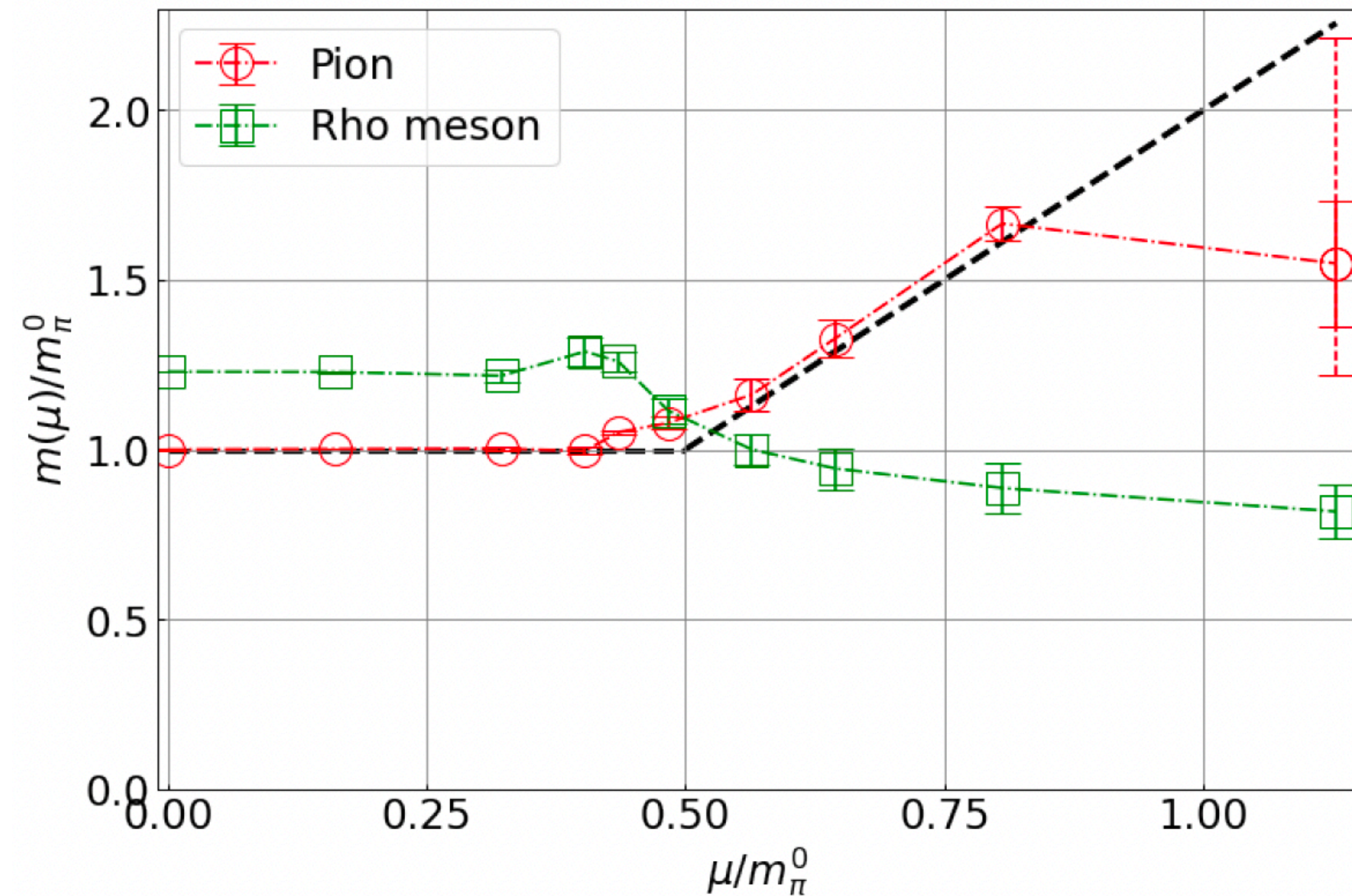
ρ_0 : standard nuclear density



T. Hatsuda, H. Shiomi and H. Kuwabara
Prog. Theor. Phys. 95(1996)1009

- In high-density regime, it is believed that chiral symmetry becomes restored
- According to several analytical studies, vector mesons gets lighter and lighter as density increases
Hatsuda-Lee(1992)
- Some experimental data also indicate mass shift of vector meson
cf.) [J-PARC E16 experiment](#)

Lattice simulation results for dense 2color QCD



K.Murakami, D.Suenaga, K.Iida, Et,
PoS LATTICE2022 (2023) 154

- Lattice simulation of dense QCD is extremely difficult because of the sign problem
- There are ab initio calculations in gauge theory that avoid the sign problem and are similar to QCD (2color QCD)
- It is shown that rho is lighter than pion in high-density regime
- Related topics of density QCD will be discussed during the 4th week of this workshop

Sign problem and new directions

- What is the sign problem ?

It comes from non-positivity of euclidean action in path-integral formula using Monte Carlo

simulation: $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int D\phi \mathcal{O} e^{-S[\phi]}$

In importance sampling method, $e^{-S[\phi]}$ is the Boltzmann weight to generate ensembles

Should be real and positive, but adding the density term (or θ term) the $S[\phi]$ takes complex value.

The sign problem proves to be NP-hard. If the system size increases, the cost increases faster than poly.

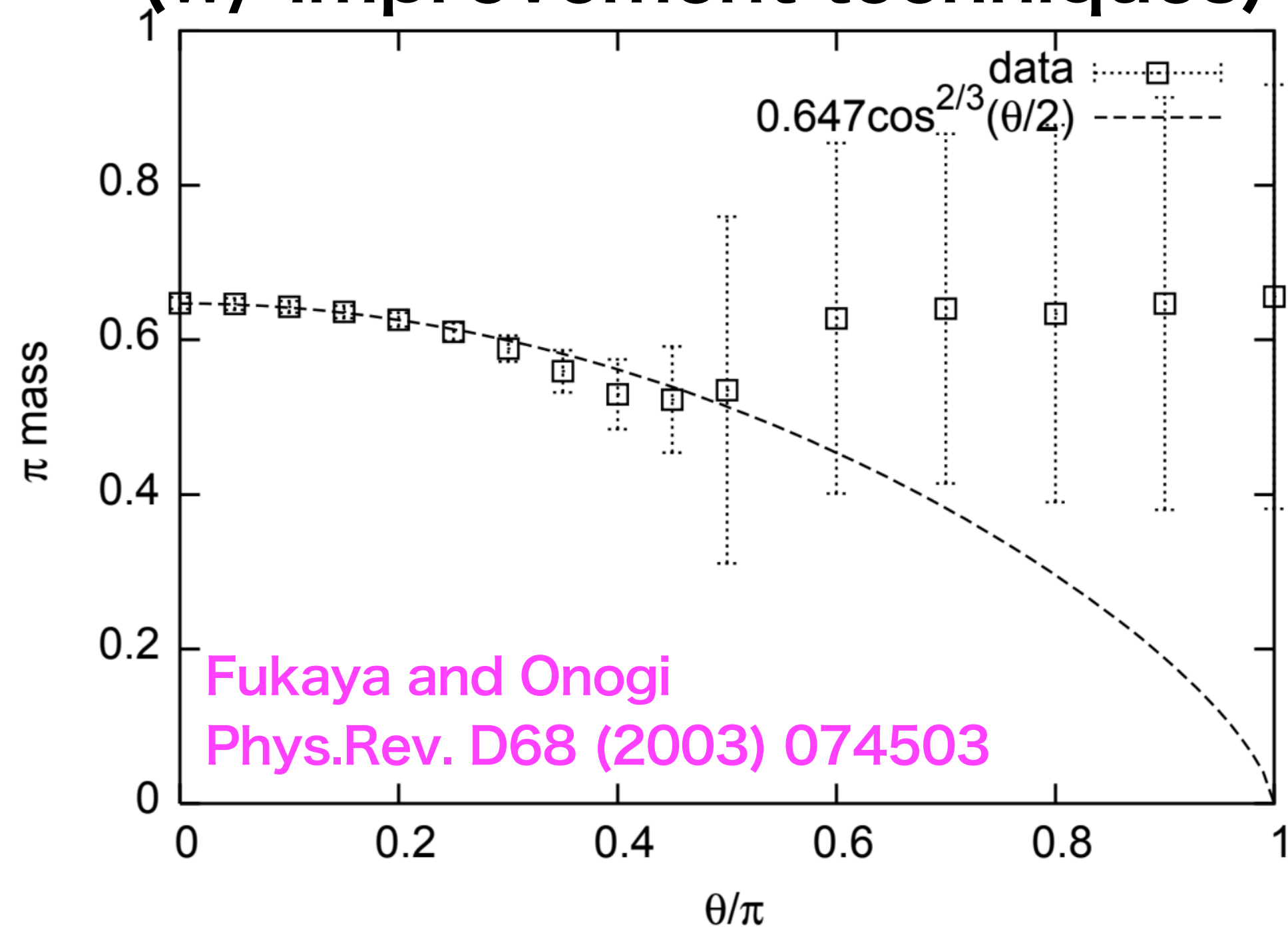
(Troyer and Wiese: Phys. Rev. Lett. 94, 170201, 2005)

- To avoid this, a new direction of ab initio calculation based on the Hamiltonian formalism has recently proposed (5th week of this workshop)

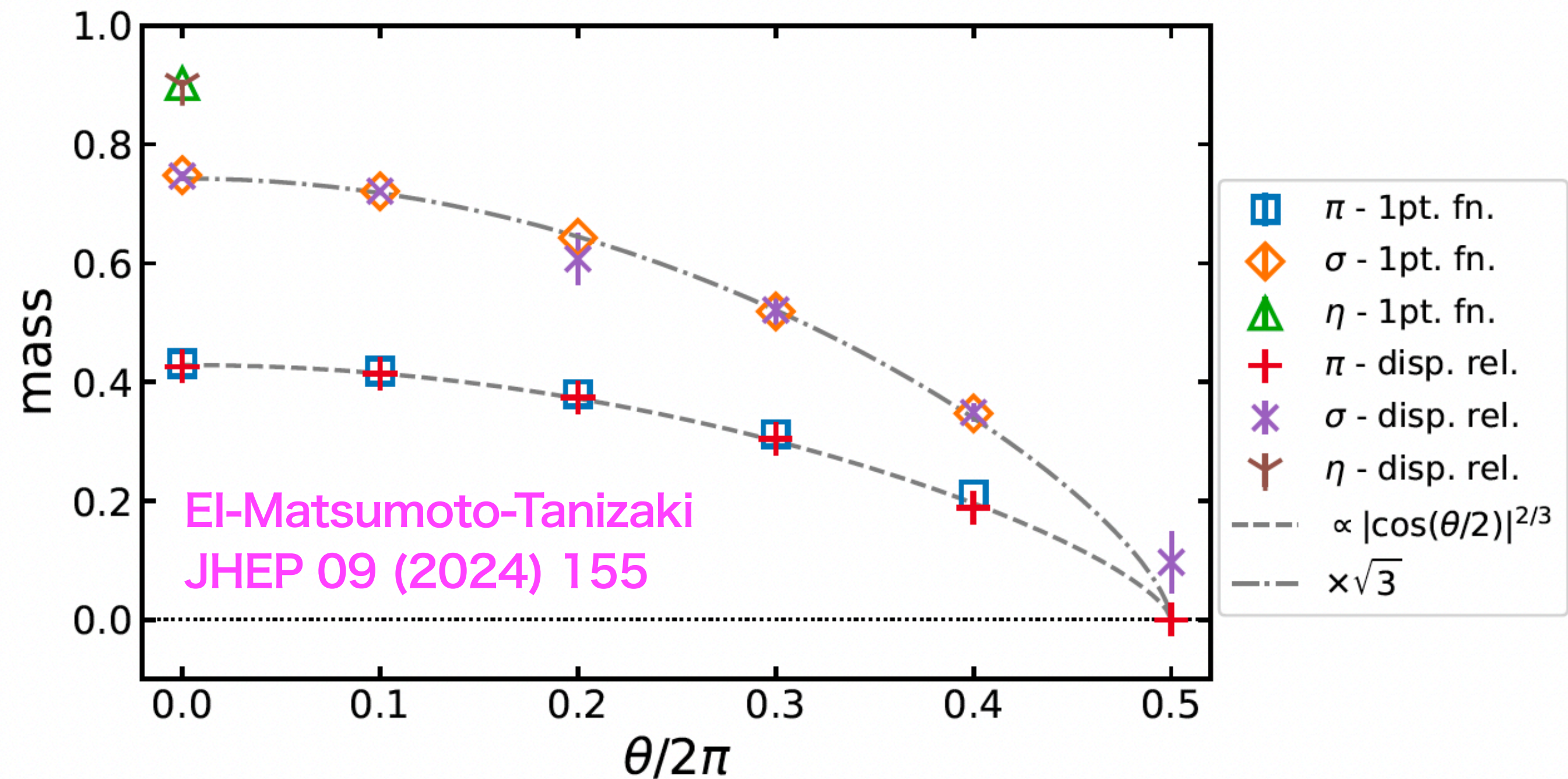
$\theta \neq 0$ regime (sign problem emerges in MC)

Nf=2 1+1 dim. QED (Schwinger model)

Monte Carlo based on Lagrangian
(w/ improvement techniques)



Tensor network based on Hamiltonian



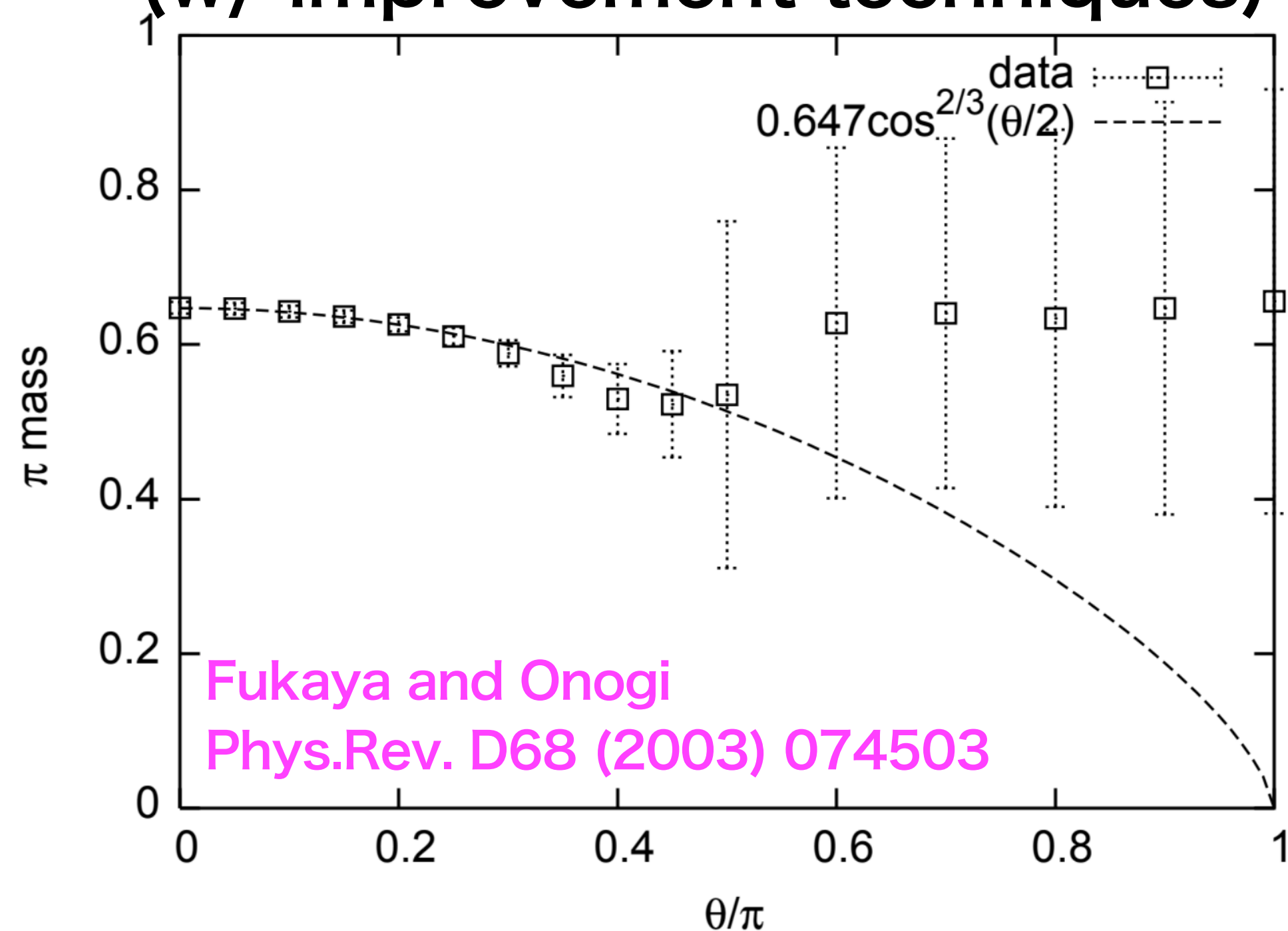
- In large θ , the signal is very noisy because of the sign problem
- Difficult to find a heavy η -meson and σ -meson

- Straightforwardly apply to $\theta = \pi$ regime (even near CFT)
- Results are consistent with theoretical predictions

$\theta \neq 0$ regime (sign problem emerges in MC)

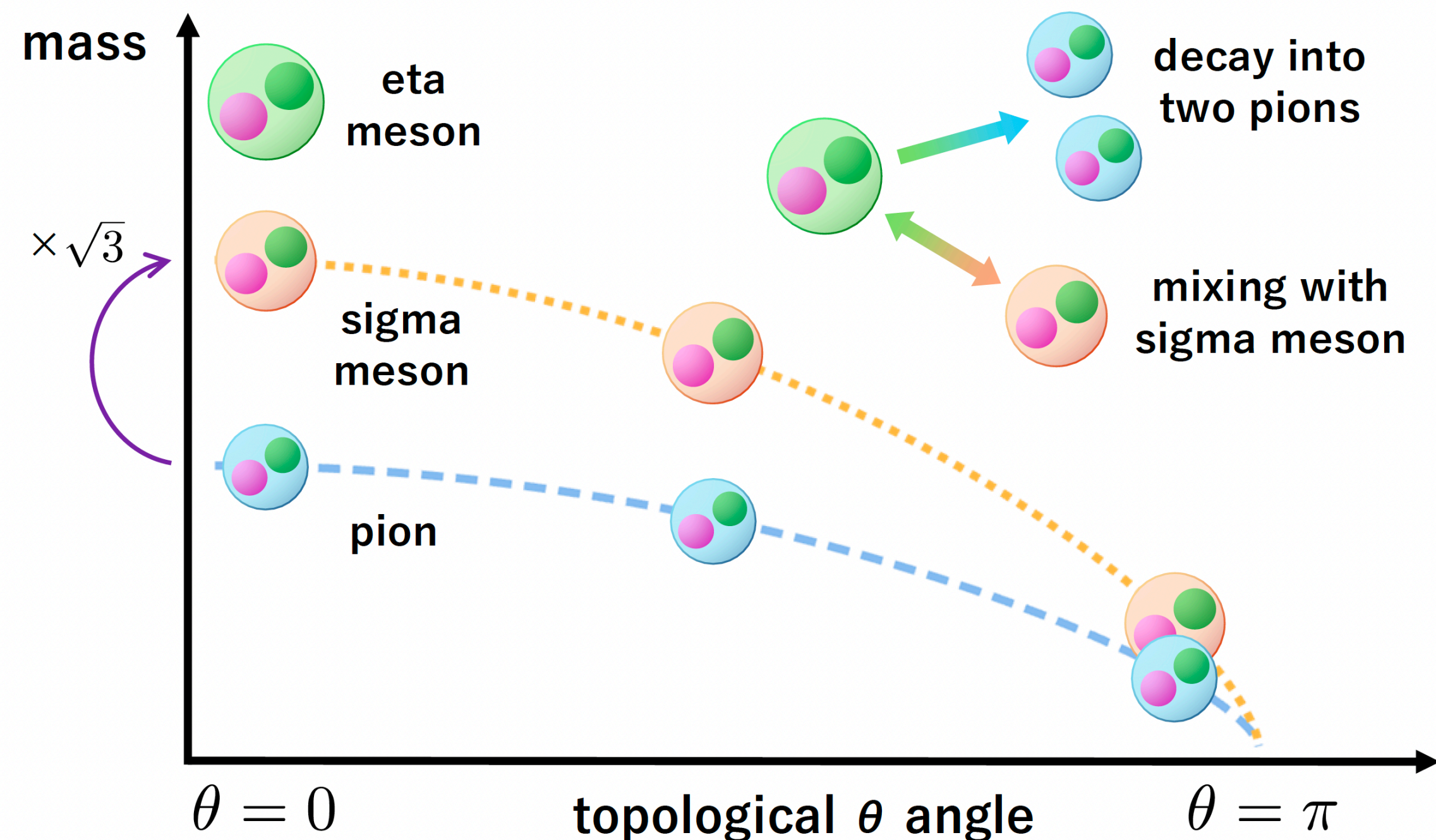
Nf=2 1+1 dim. QED (Schwinger model)

Monte Carlo based on Lagrangian
(w/ improvement techniques)



- In large θ , the signal is very noisy because of the sign problem
- Difficult to find a heavy η -meson and σ -meson

Tensor network based on Hamiltonian



- Straightforwardly apply to $\theta = \pi$ regime (even near CFT)
- Results are consistent with theoretical predictions

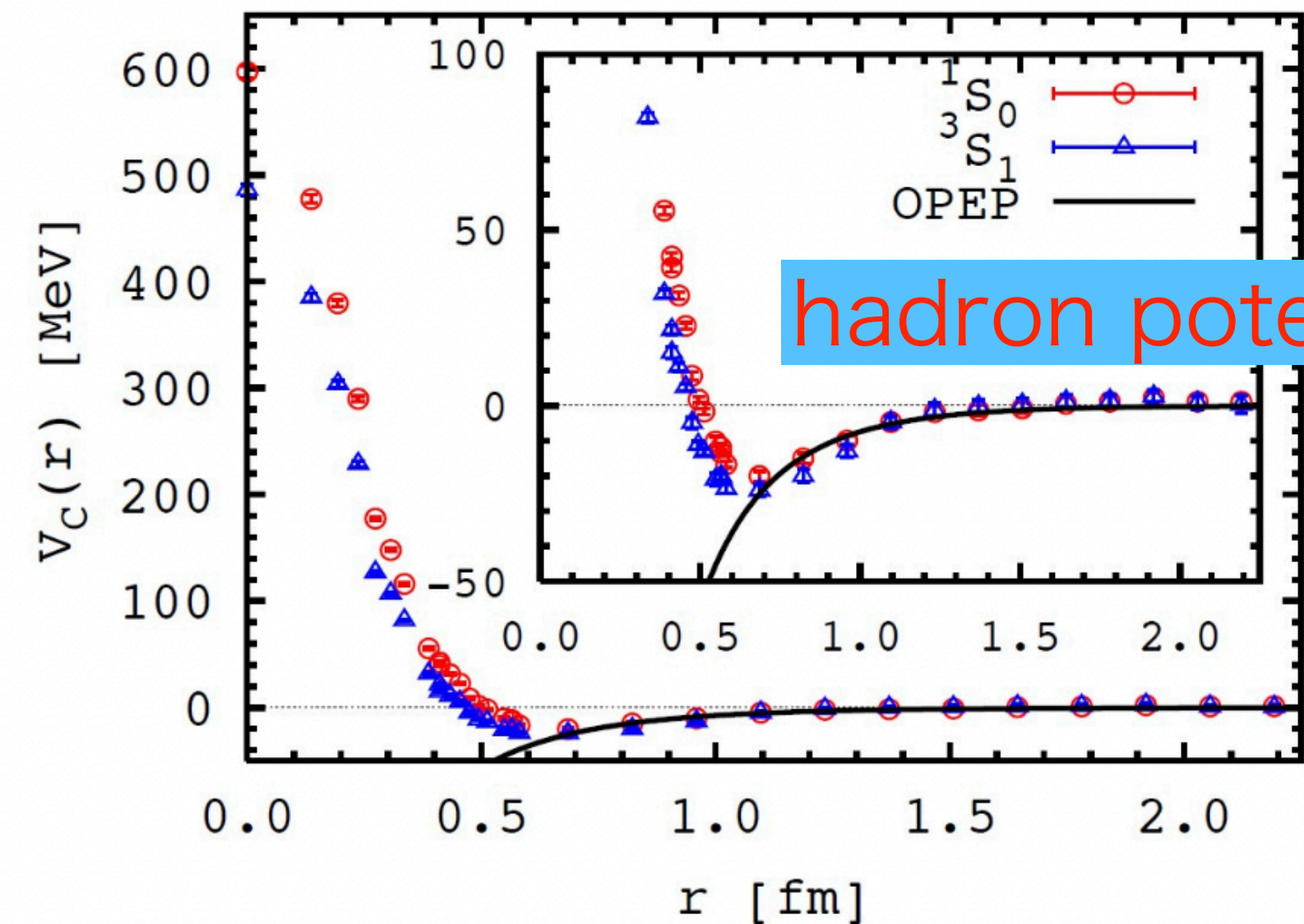
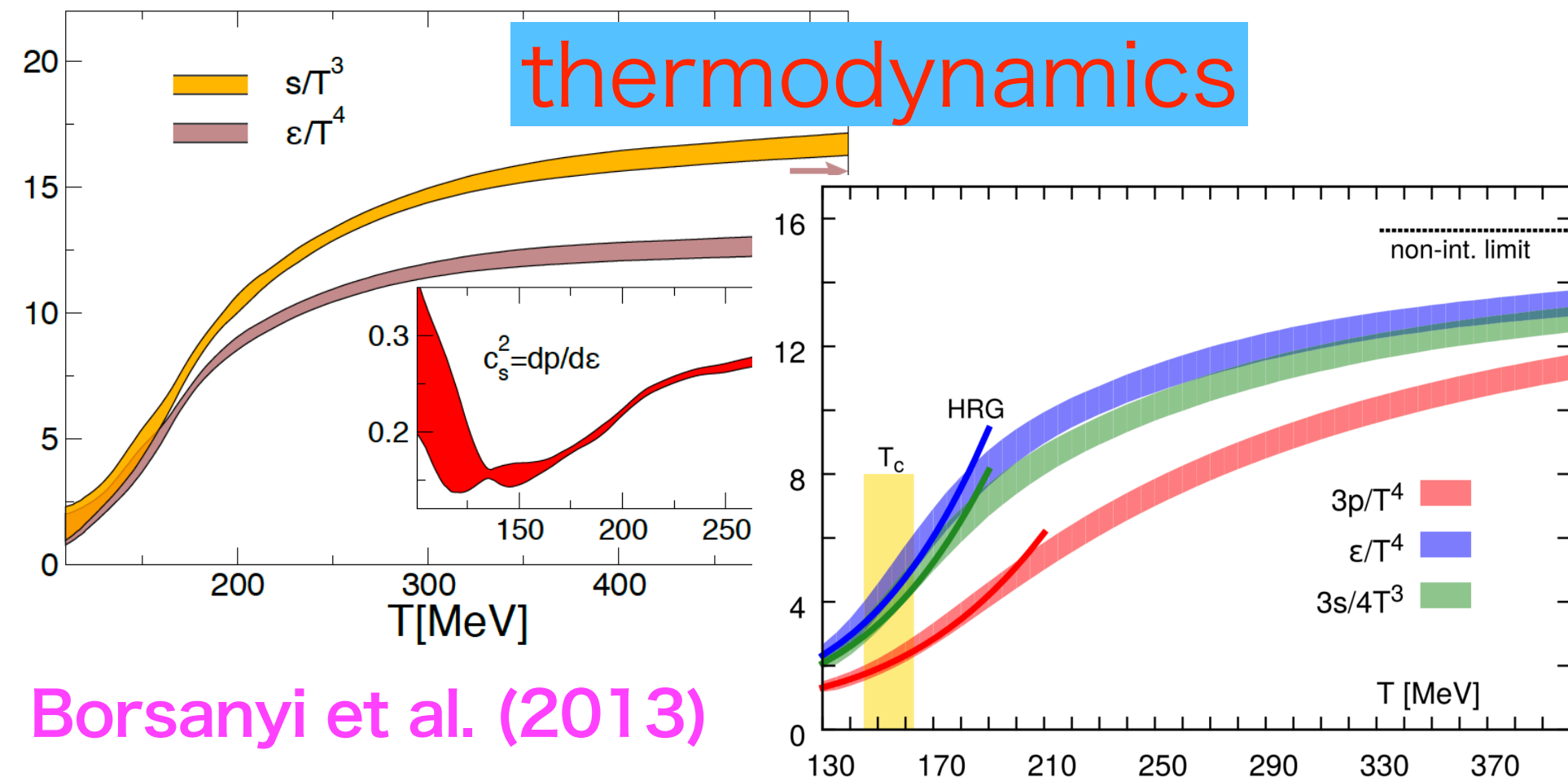
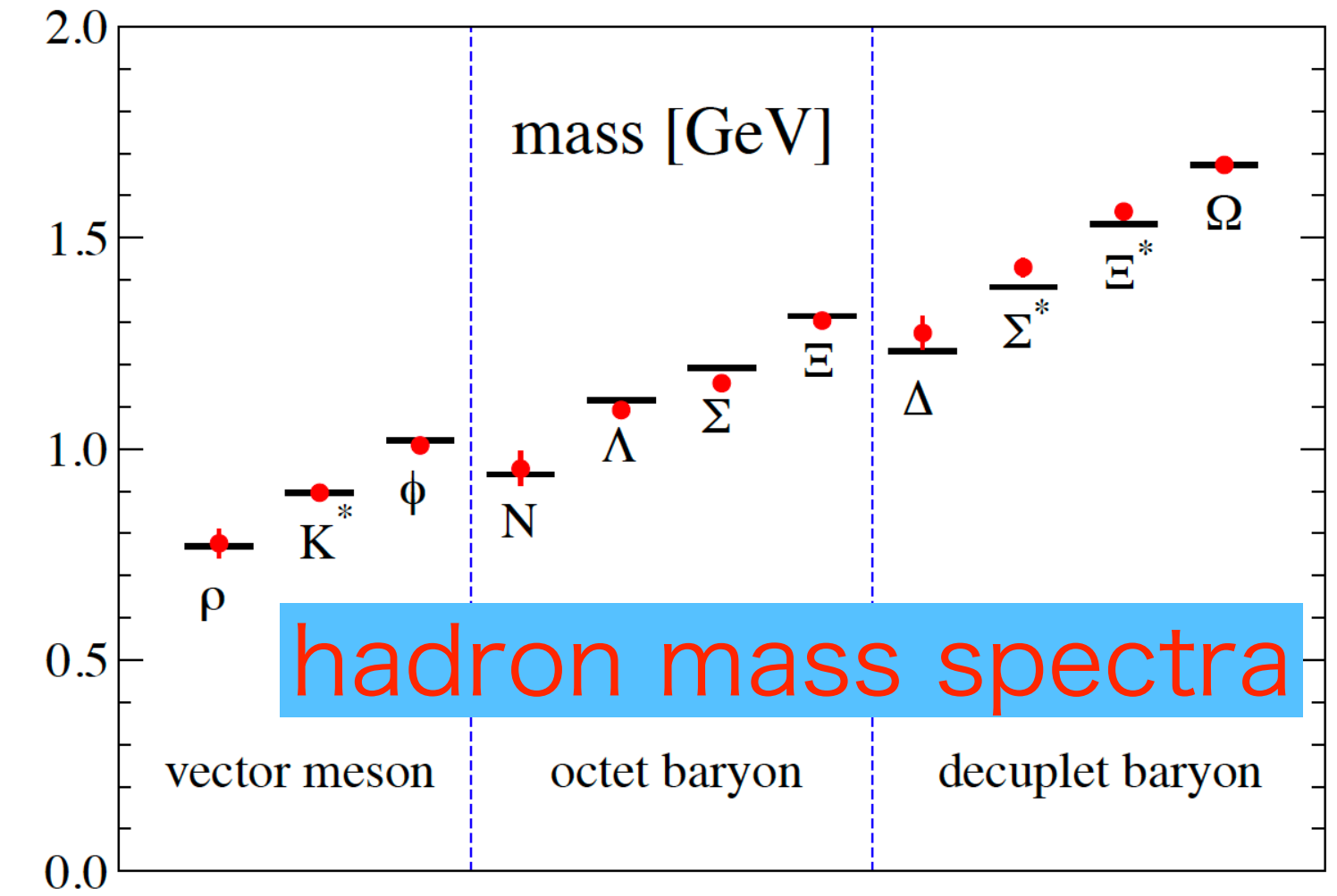
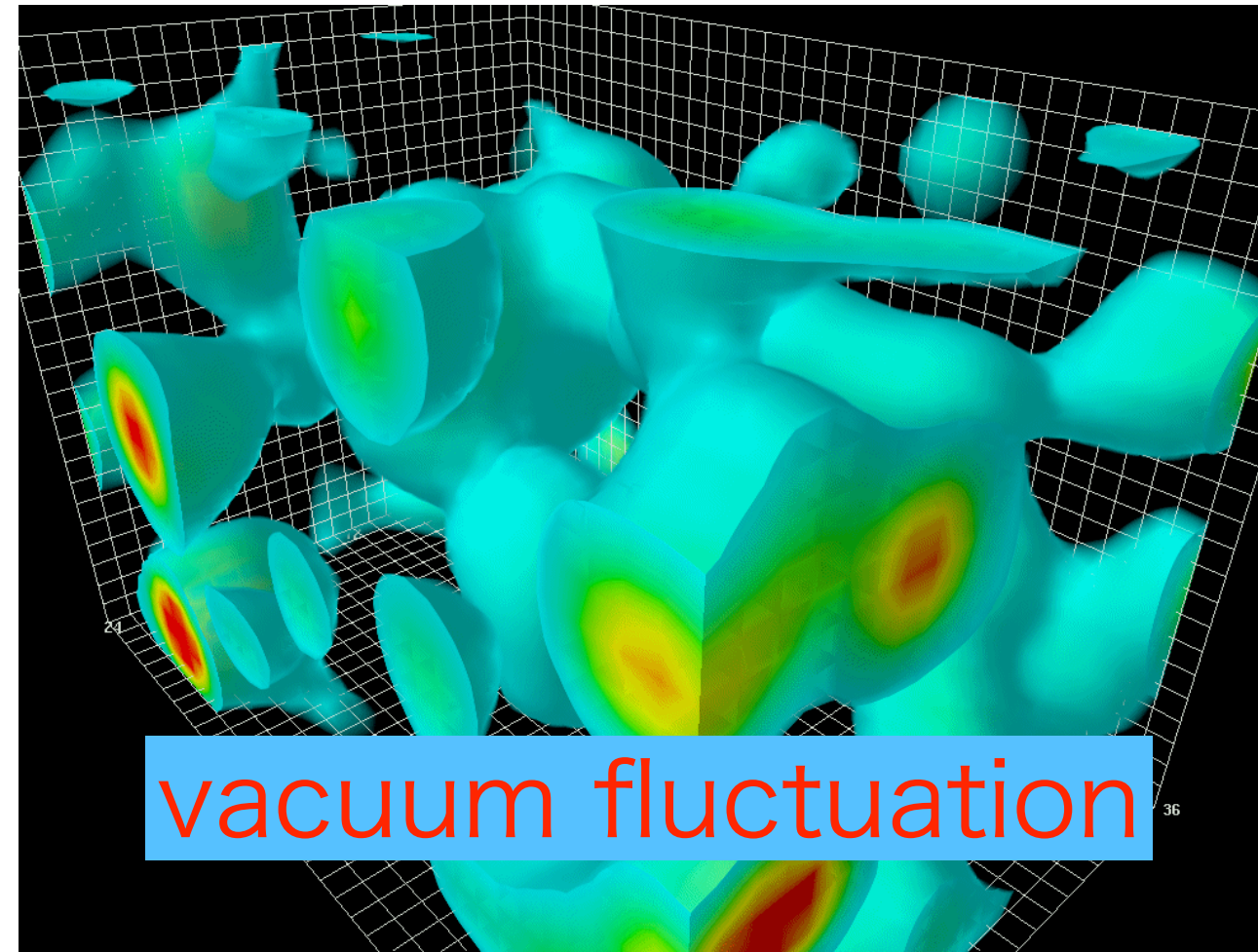
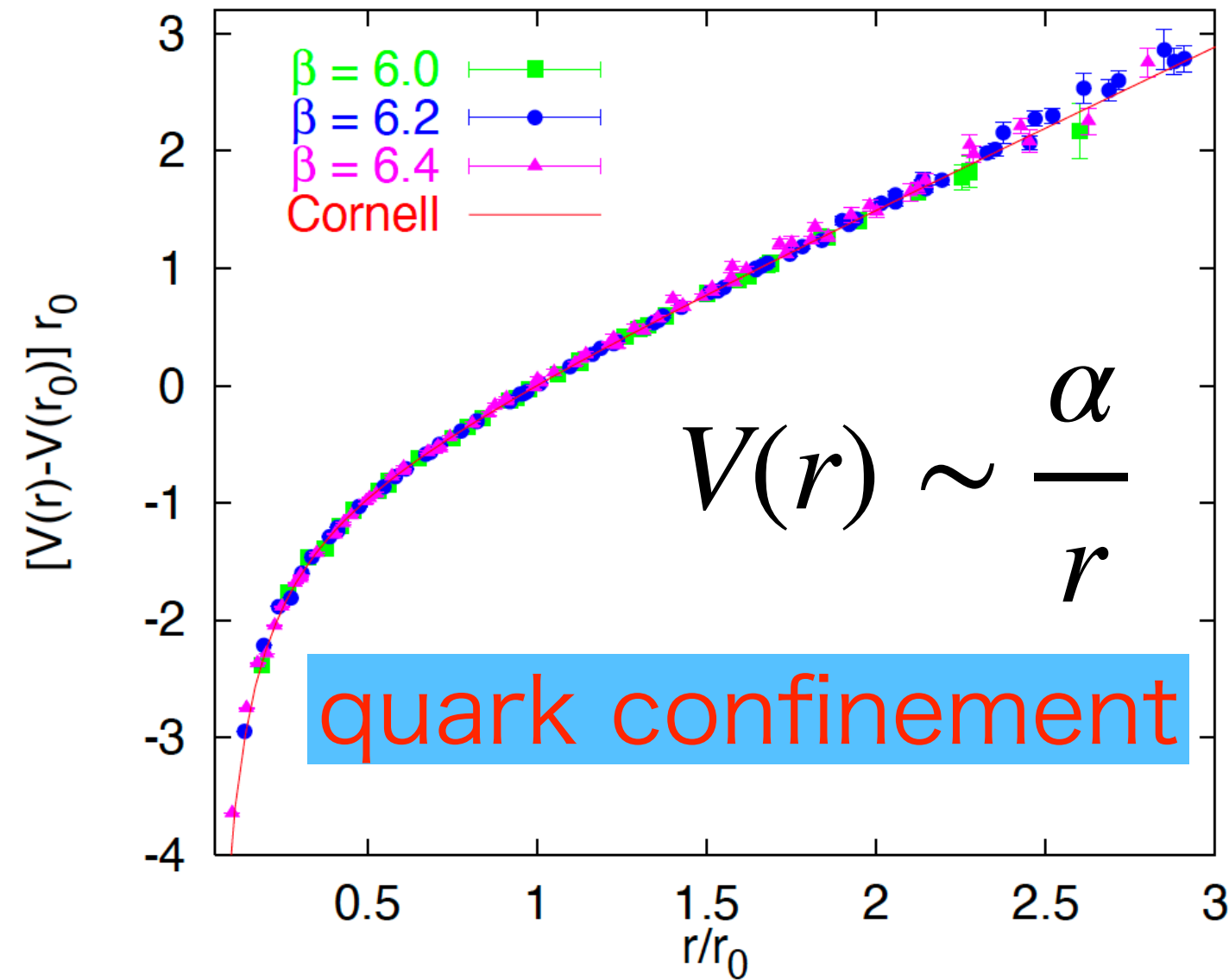
Other quantities

Successes of Lattice MC QCD

G.Bali, Phys.Rept.343:1 (2000)

© Derek B. Leinweber

Z.Fodor and C.Hoelbling
arXiv:1203.4789



it hadron spectrum
Experimental data
is reproduced from
on of the PACS-CS

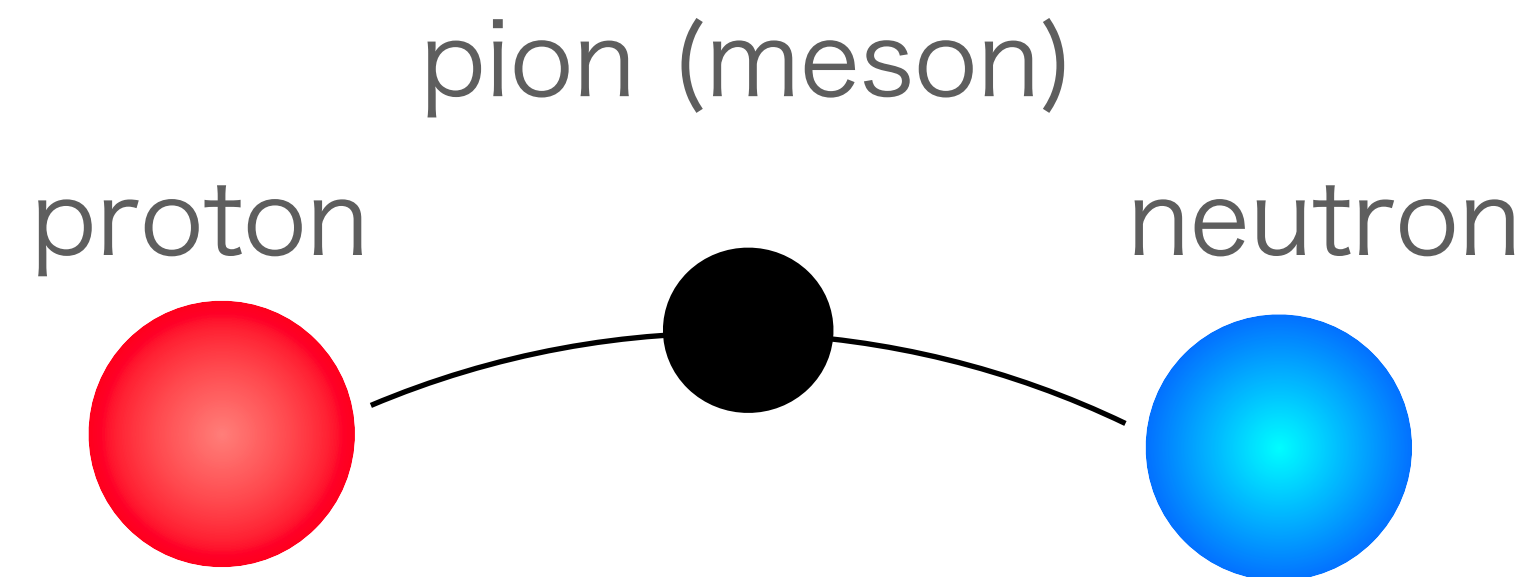
Borsanyi et al. (2013)

HotQCD (2014)

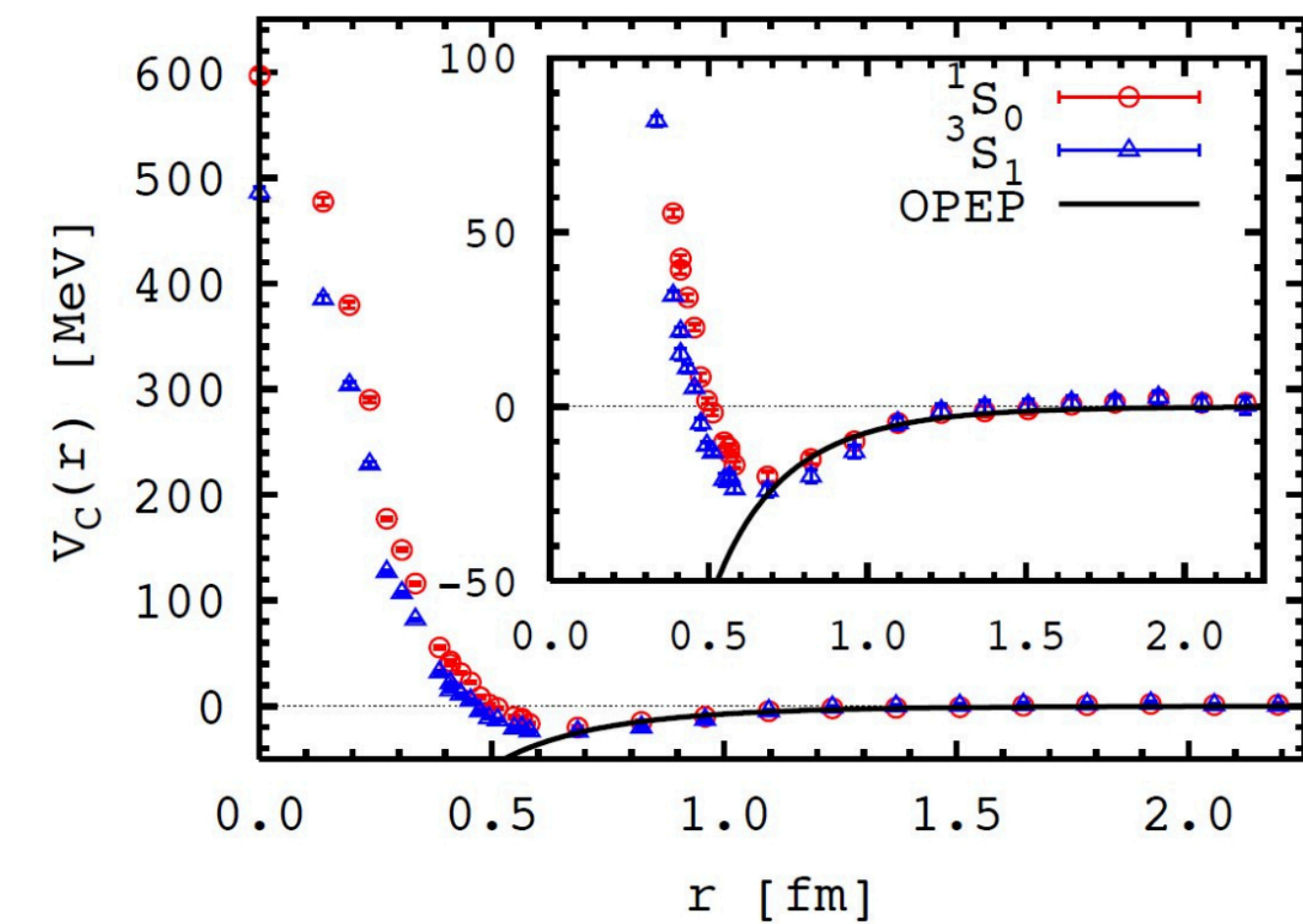
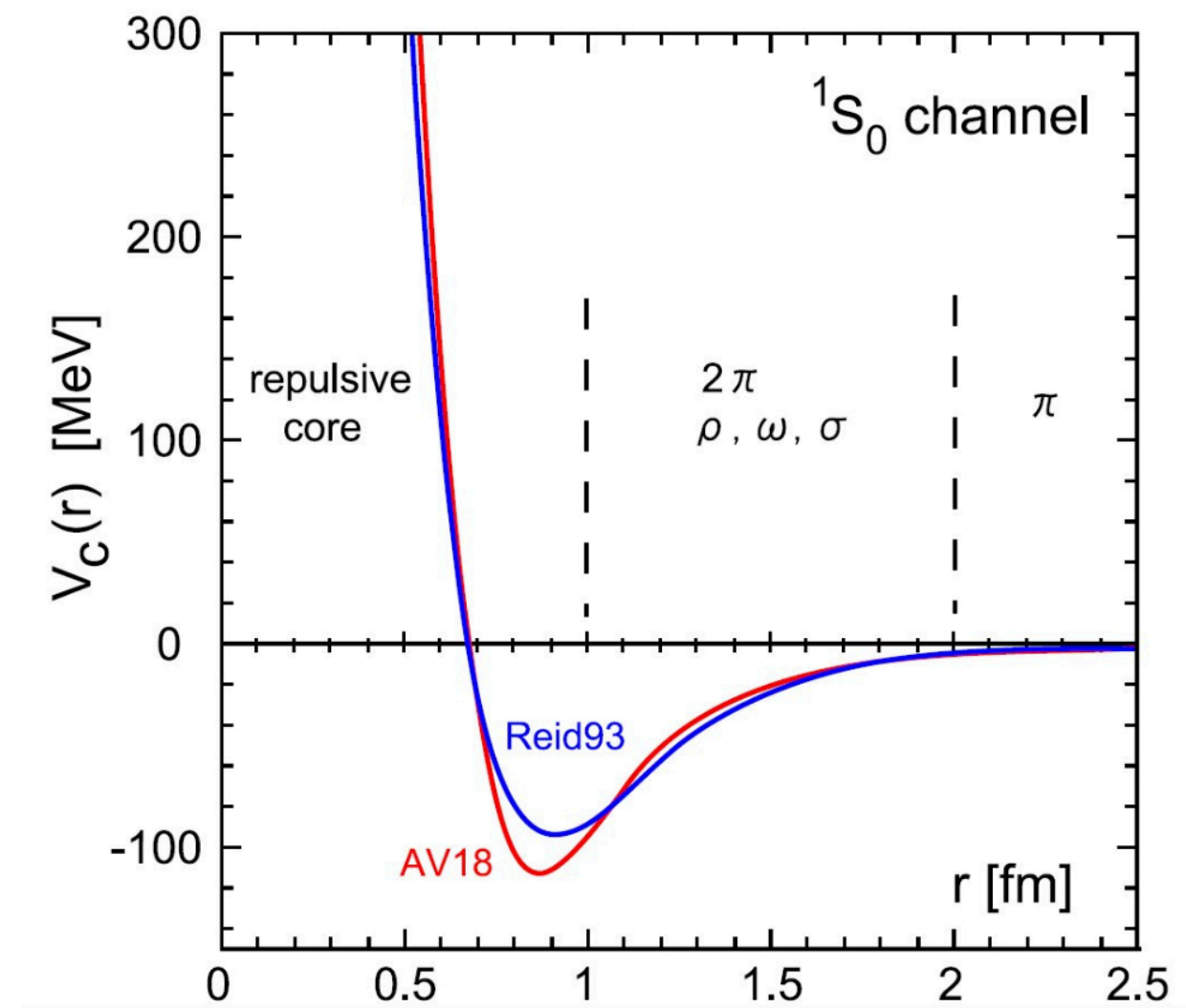
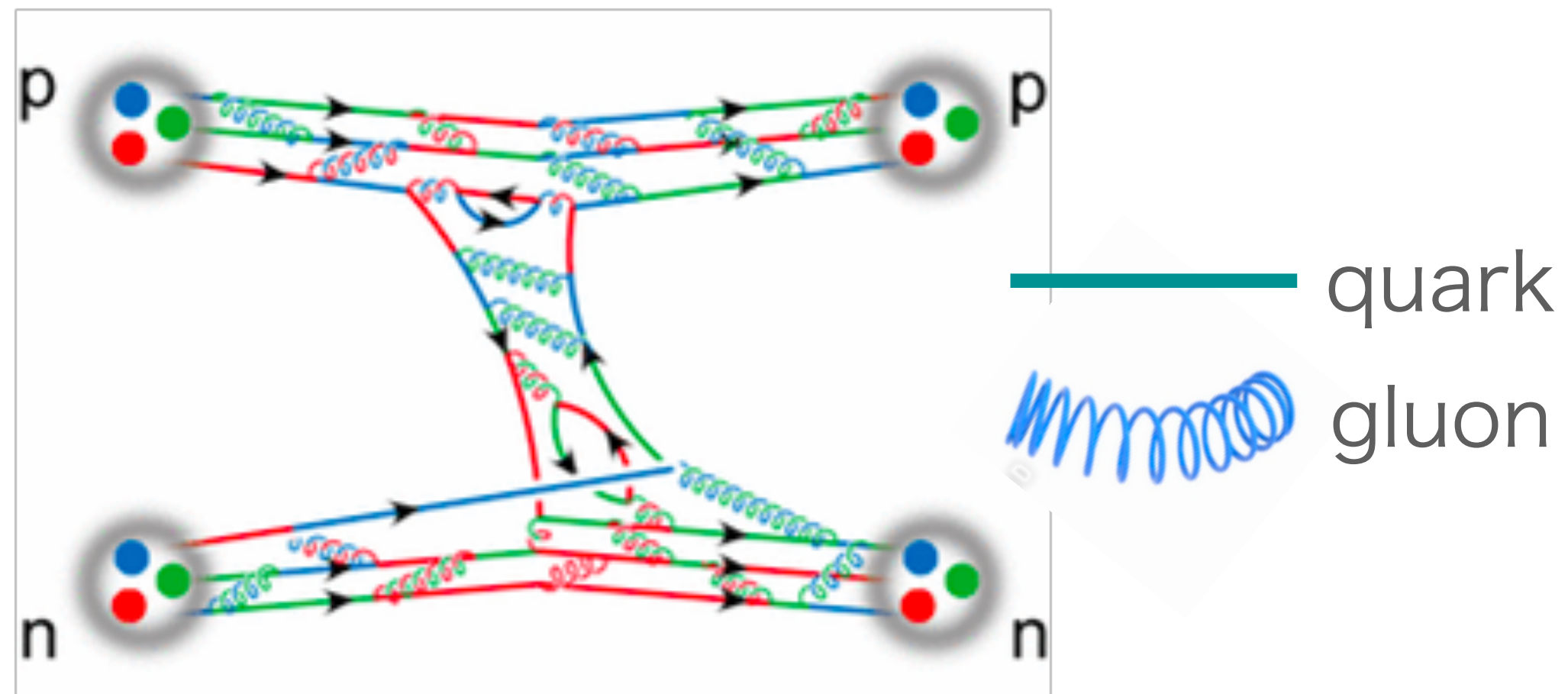
Aoki, Ishii, Hatsuda
HAL QCD coll.
(2007 -)

Hadron interaction potential is also calculated by Lattice

Yukawa interaction

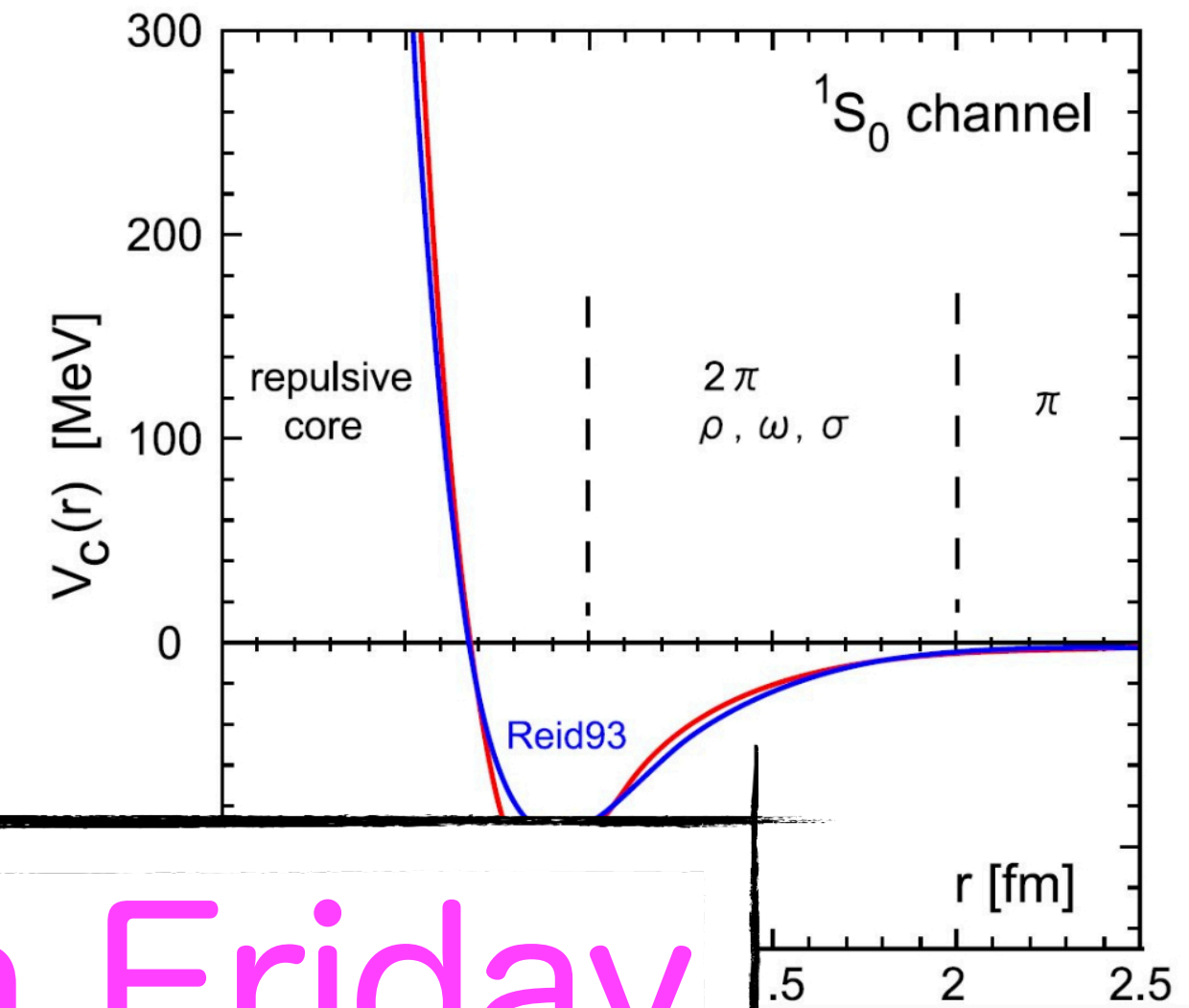
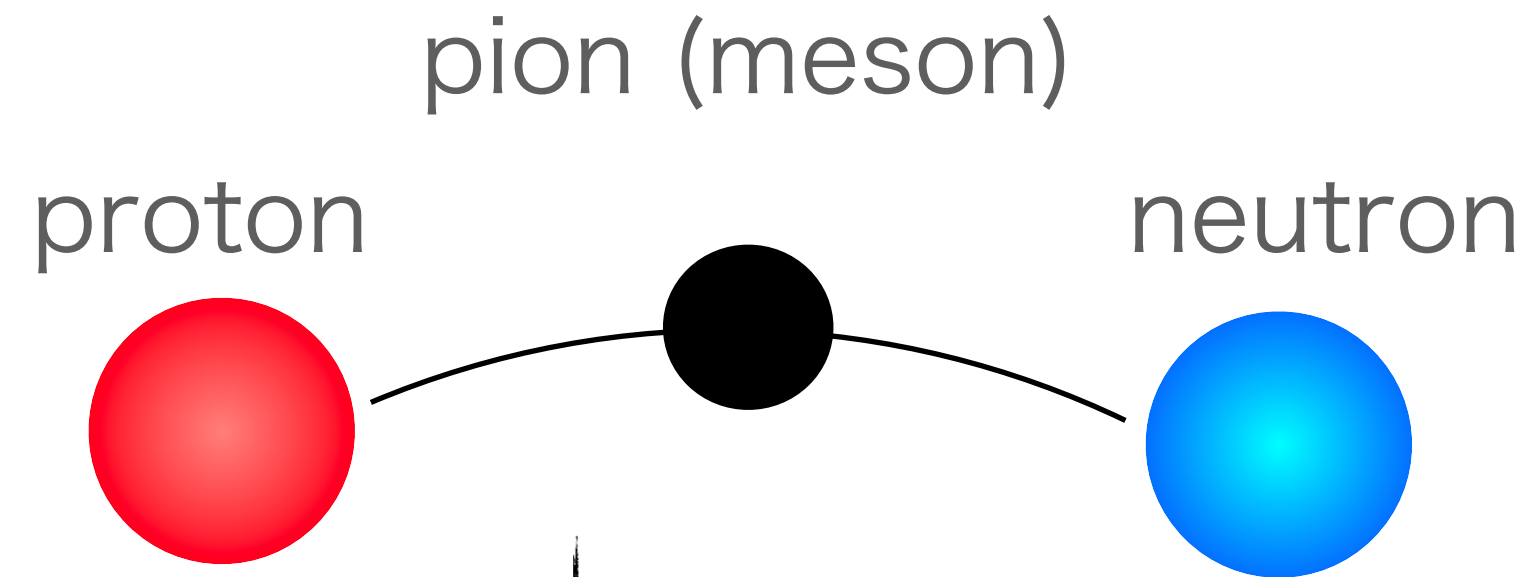


Microscopical picture described by quarks



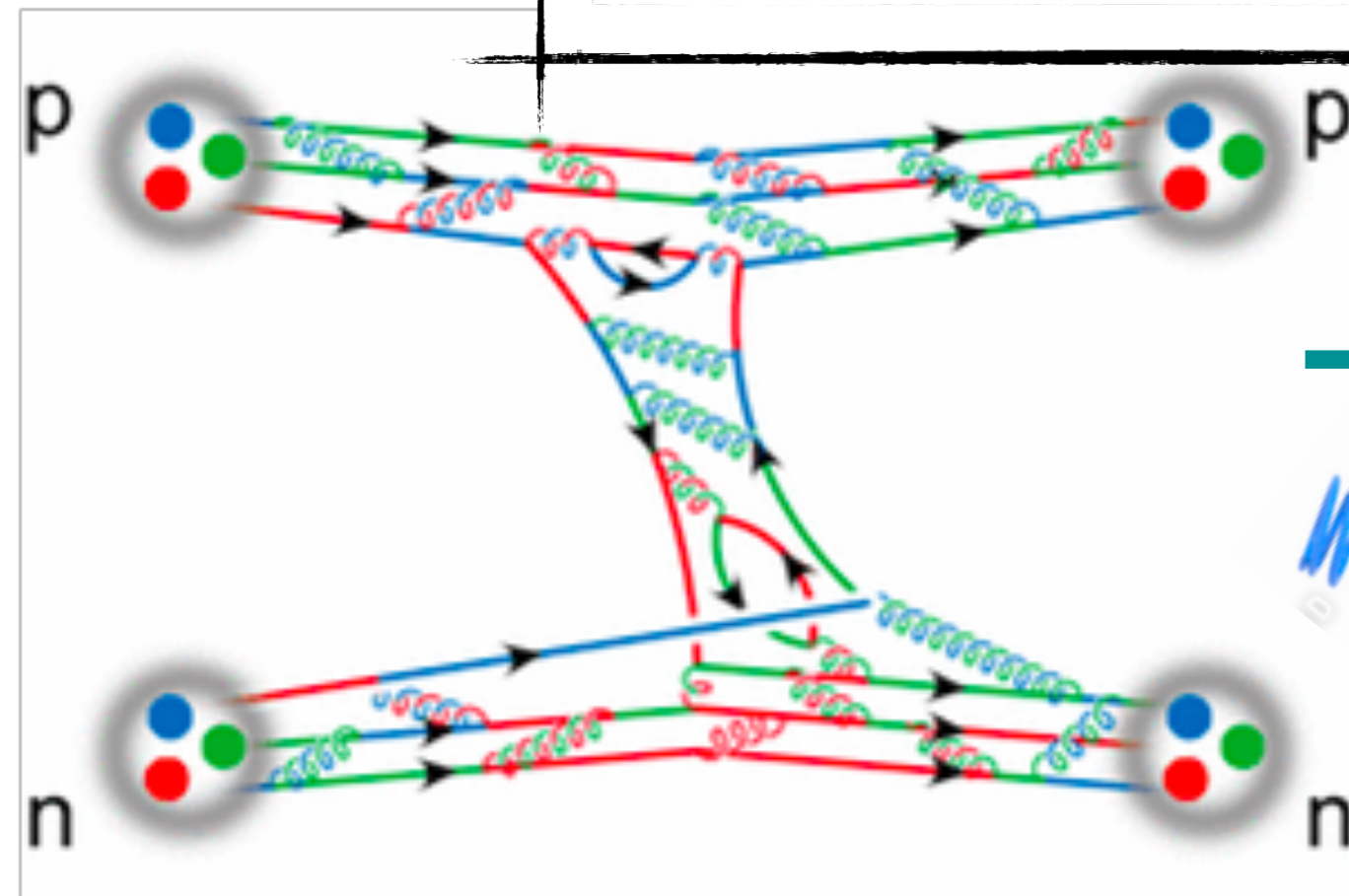
Hadron interaction potential is also calculated by Lattice

Yukawa interaction

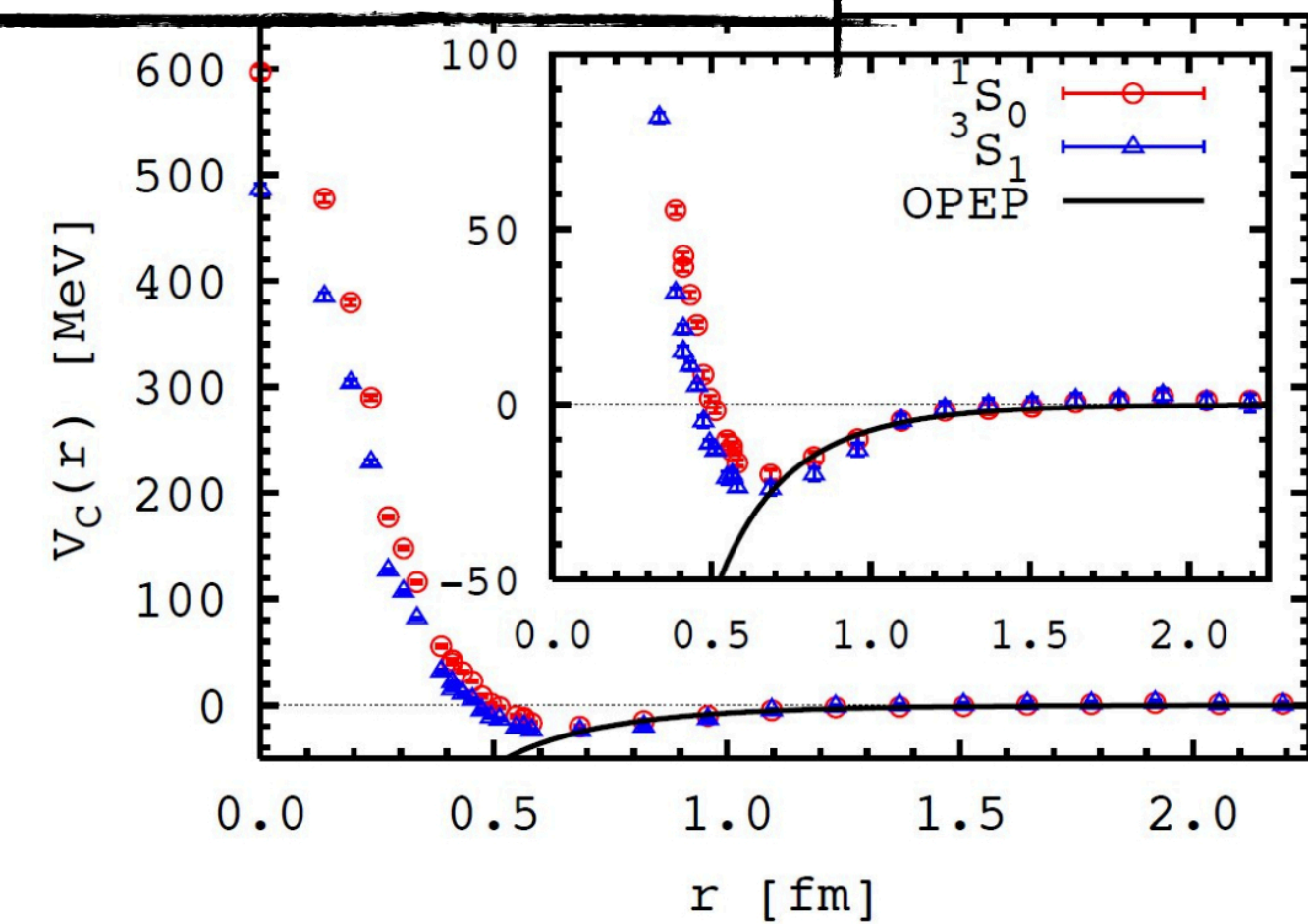


Microscopical p

Lecture by T. Doi on Friday



quark
gluon



7. Summary

Summary

- Lattice regularization is only known the gauge invariant and nonperturbative formula.
- From lattice model calculation, we can obtain $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$ of actual QCD, thanks to the asymptotic freedom of non-abelian gauge theories
- In simulations, we do not perform an actual path-integral.
Estimate the value of $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$ using Monte Carlo (importance sampling) method
Now, we have some exact algorithms to perform its calculation
- Physical quantities even for hadron (composite particle) can be calculated from quarks and gluons theory