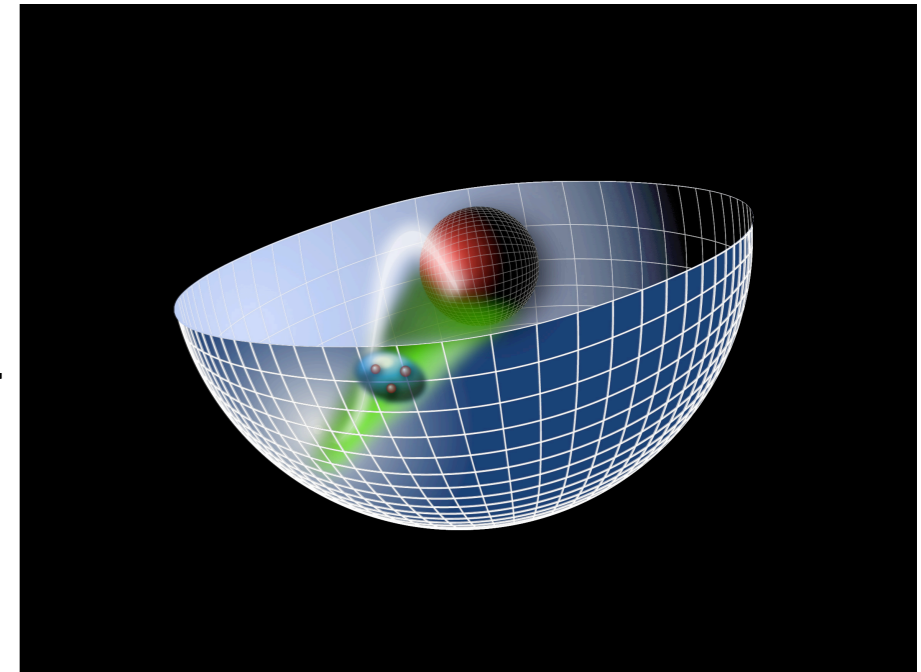
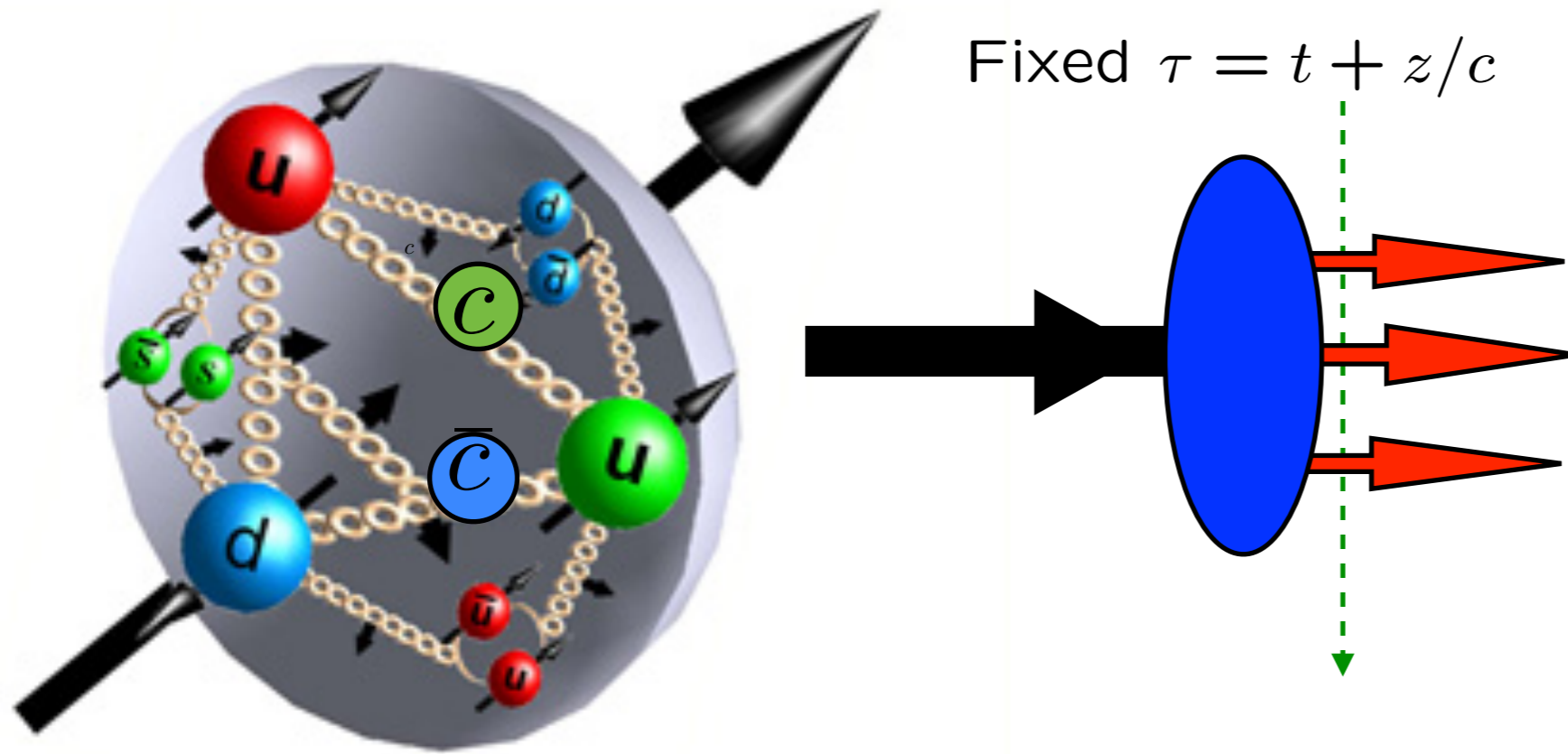


# Emergent Hadron Mass from Light-Front Holography and Superconformal Quantum Mechanics



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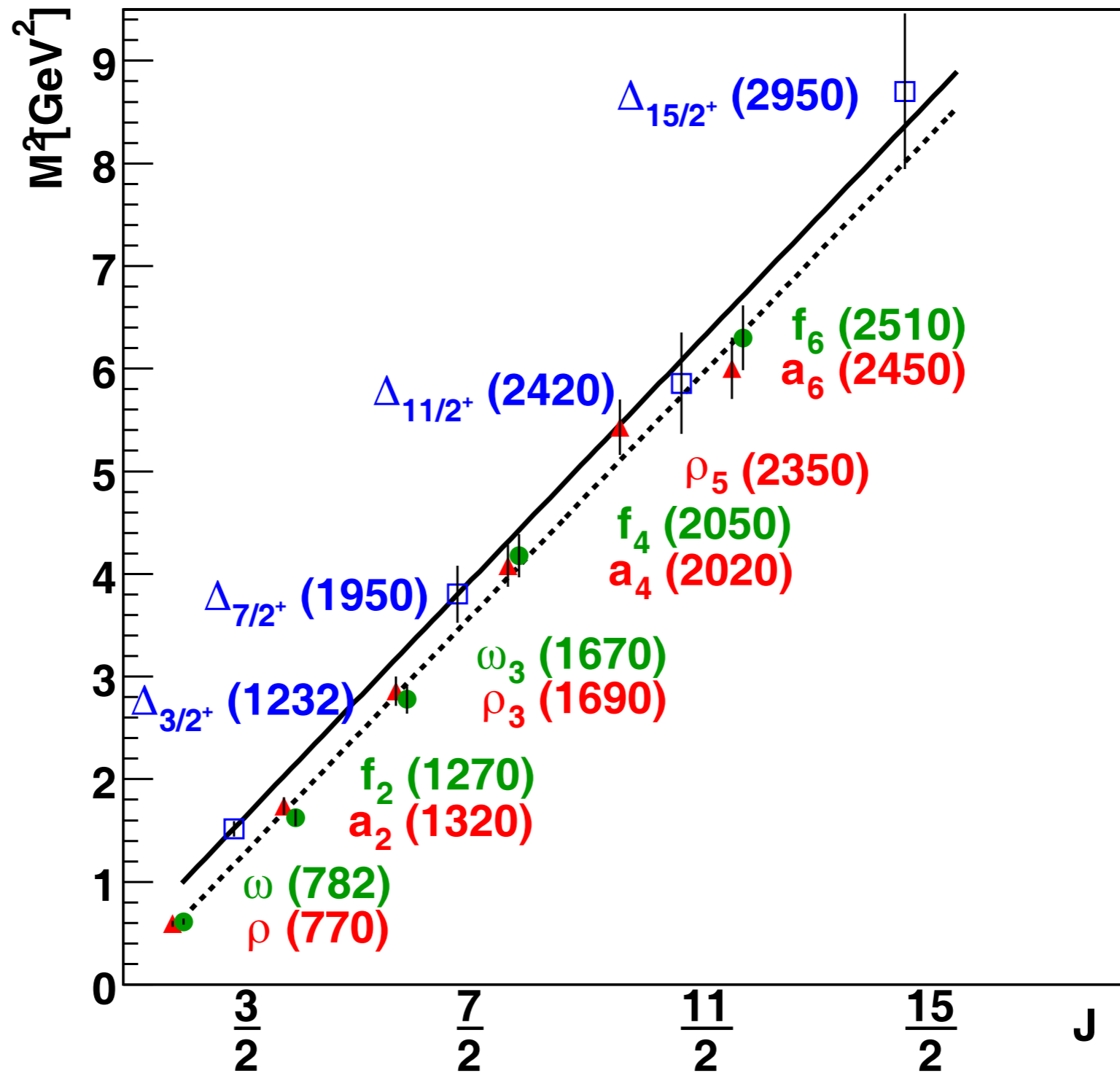
## *A Profound Question for Hadron Physics*

- **Origin of the QCD Mass Scale**
- **Color Confinement**
- **Spectroscopy: Tetraquarks, Pentaquarks, Gluonium, Exotic States**
- **Universal Regge Slopes:  $n$ ,  $L$ , both Mesons and Baryons**
- **Massless Pion: Bound State**
- **Dynamics and Spectroscopy**
- **QCD Coupling at all Scales**
- **QCD Vacuum —Do QCD Condensates Exist?**

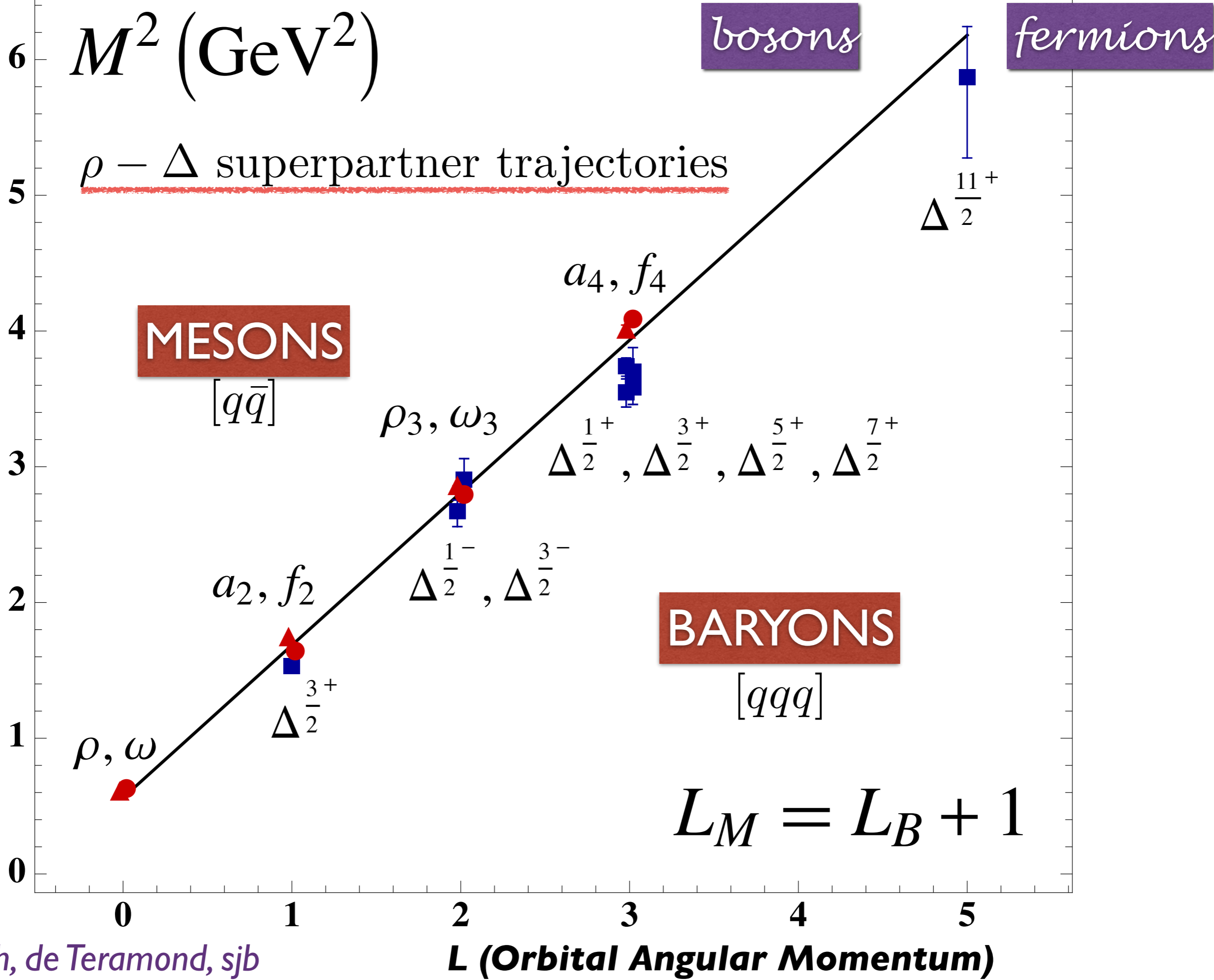


Mesons and Baryons: Same Regge Slope  $M^2 \propto J$  !

$M^2[\text{GeV}^2]$



The leading Regge trajectory:  $\Delta$  resonances with maximal  $J$  in a given mass range. Also shown is the Regge trajectory for mesons with  $J = L+S$ .

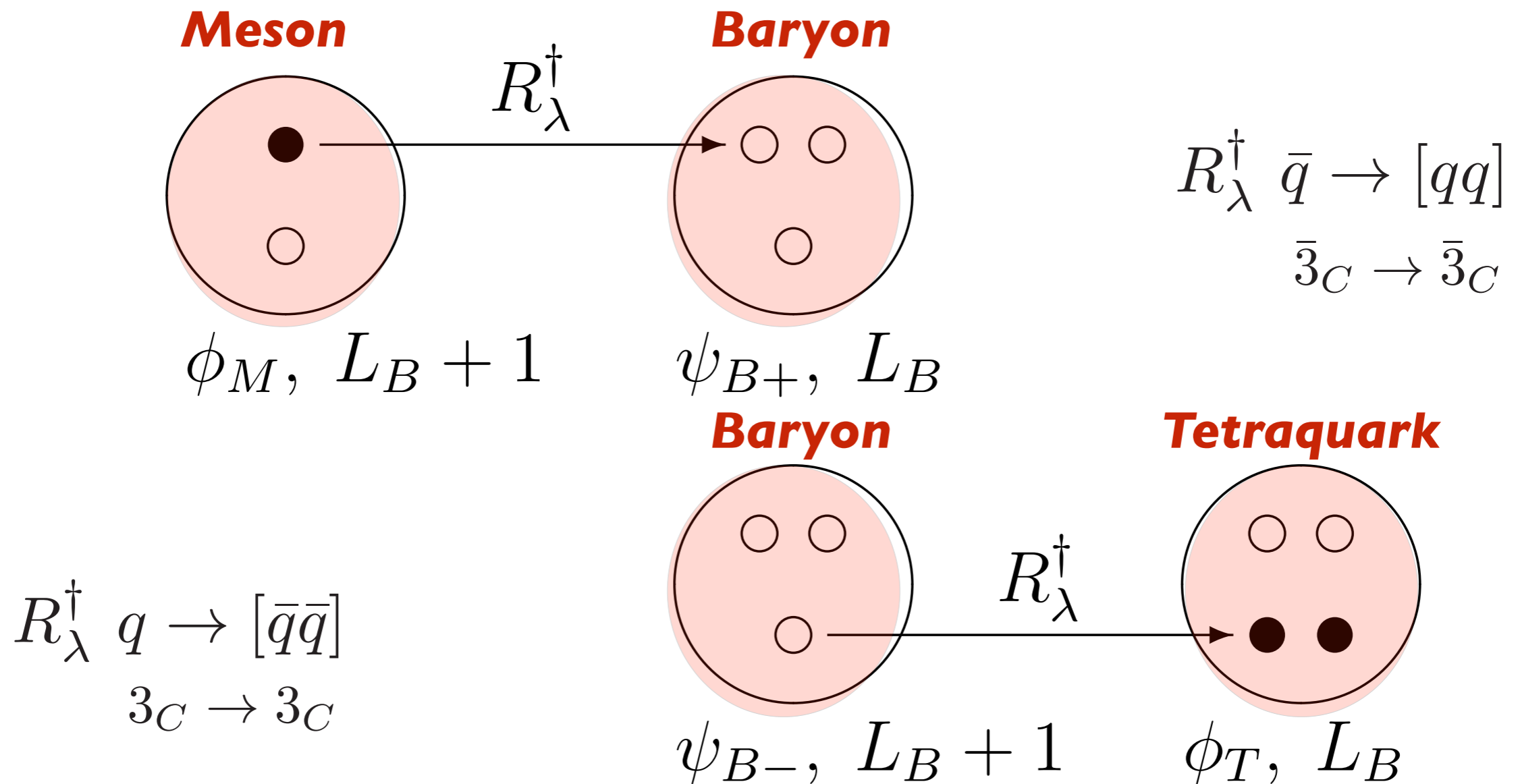




# Superconformal Algebra

## 2X2 Hadronic Multiplets

Bosons, Fermions with Equal Mass!



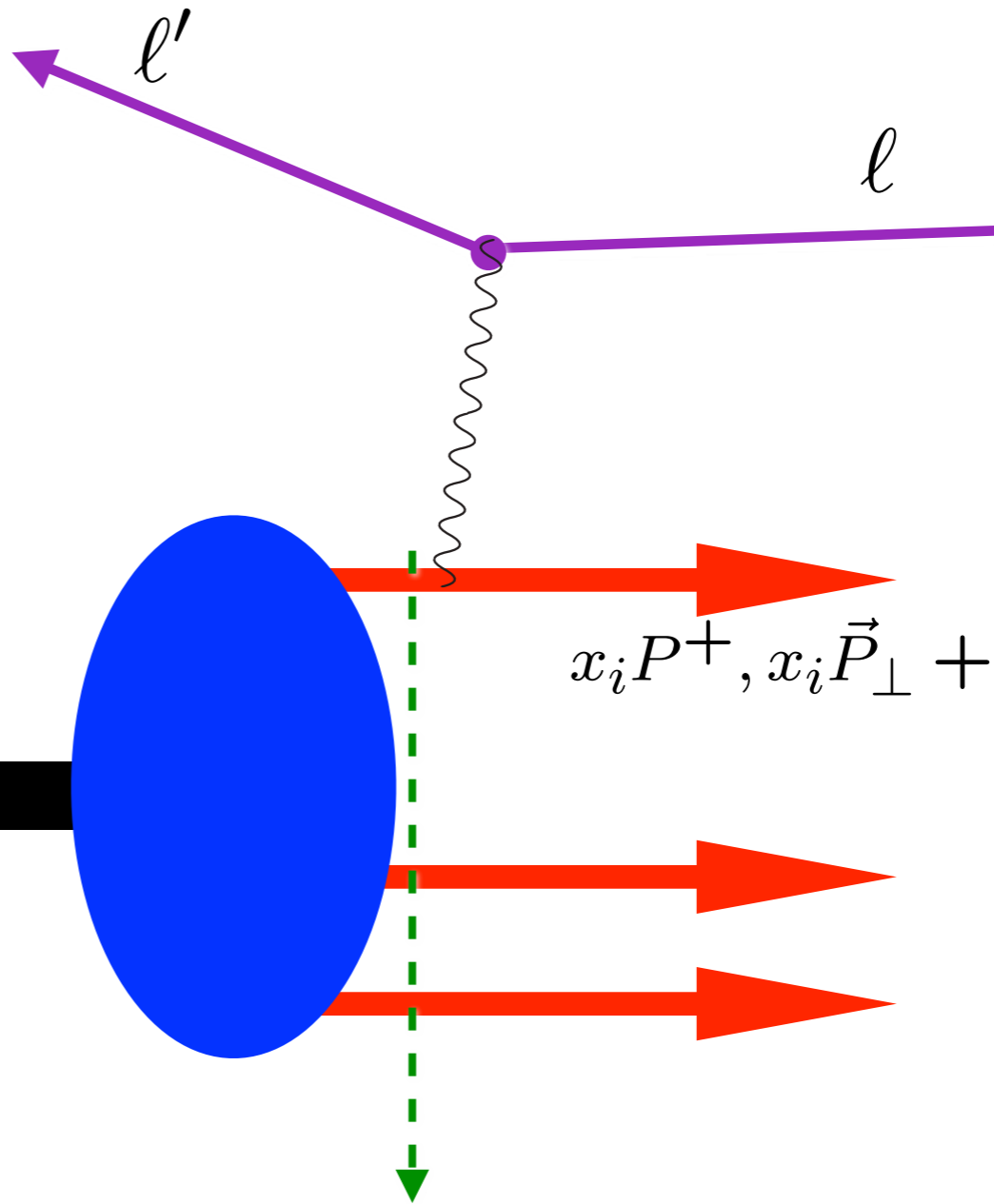
Proton:  $|u[ud]\rangle$  Quark + Scalar Diquark  
 Equal Weight:  $L=0, L=1$

# Supersymmetry in QCD

- A hidden symmetry of Color  $SU(3)_c$  in hadron physics
- QCD: No squarks or gluinos!
- Emerges from Light-Front Holography and Super-Conformal Algebra
- Color Confinement
- Massless Pion in Chiral Limit



$$x = \frac{k^+}{P^+} = \frac{k^0 + k^3}{P^0 + P^3}$$



**Dirac: Front Form**

*Measurements of hadron LF wavefunction are at fixed LF time*

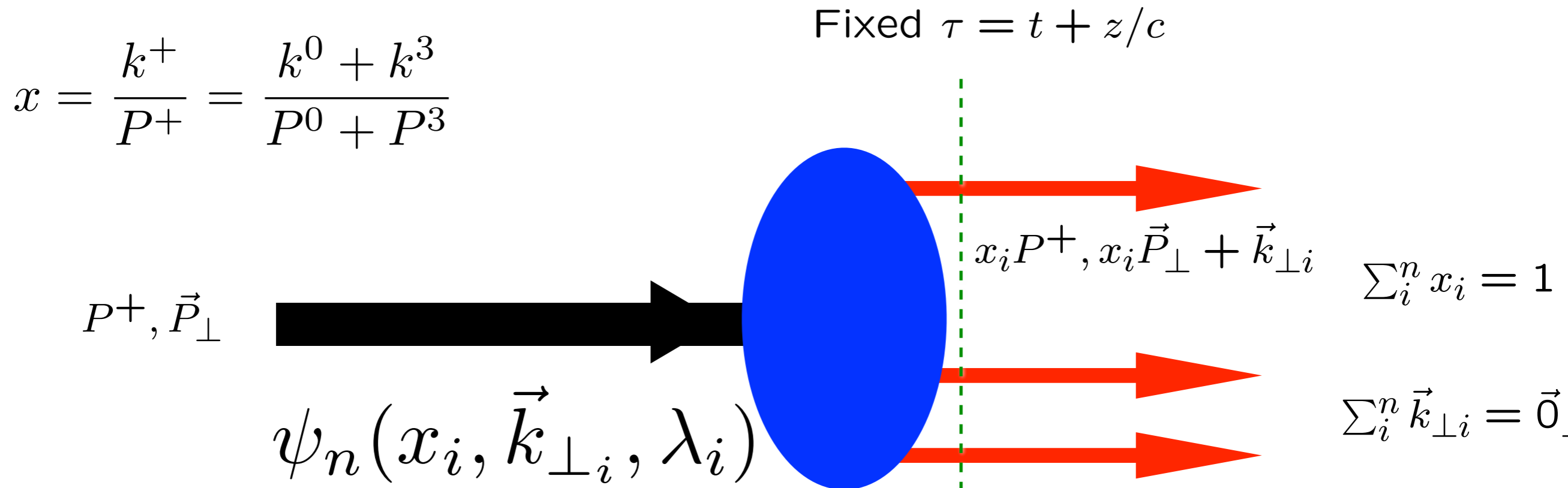
Fixed  $\tau = t + z/c$

*Like a flash photograph*

$$x_{bj} = x = \frac{k^+}{P^+}$$

*Invariant under boosts! Independent of  $P^\mu$*

# Light-Front Wavefunctions: **rigorous** representation of composite systems in quantum field theory



*Eigenstate of LF Hamiltonian*

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

$$|p, J_z\rangle = \sum_{n=3} \psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i) |n; x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i\rangle$$

*Invariant under boosts! Independent of  $P^\mu$*

**Causal, Frame-independent. Creation Operators on Simple Vacuum, Current Matrix Elements are Overlaps of LFWFS**



Exact frame-independent formulation of nonperturbative QCD!

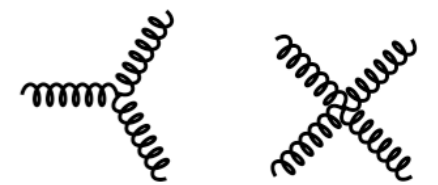
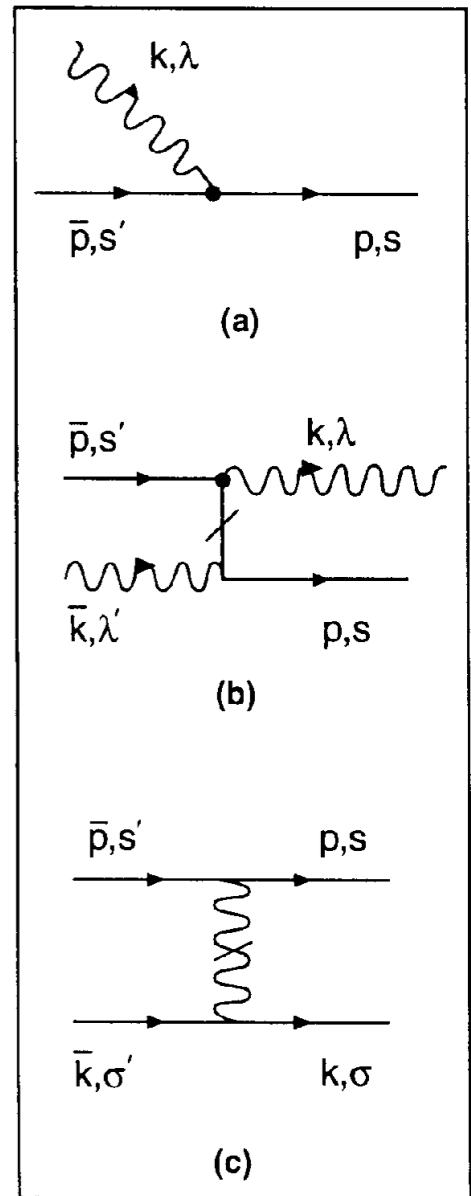
$$L^{QCD} \rightarrow H_{LF}^{QCD}$$

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} = \sum_i \left[ \frac{m^2 + k_{\perp}^2}{x} \right]_i + H_{LF}^{int}$$

$H_{LF}^{int}$ : Matrix in Fock Space

$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\Psi_h\rangle = \mathcal{M}_h^2 |\Psi_h\rangle$$

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$H_{LF}^{int}$

Eigenvalues and Eigensolutions give Hadronic Spectrum and Light-Front wavefunctions

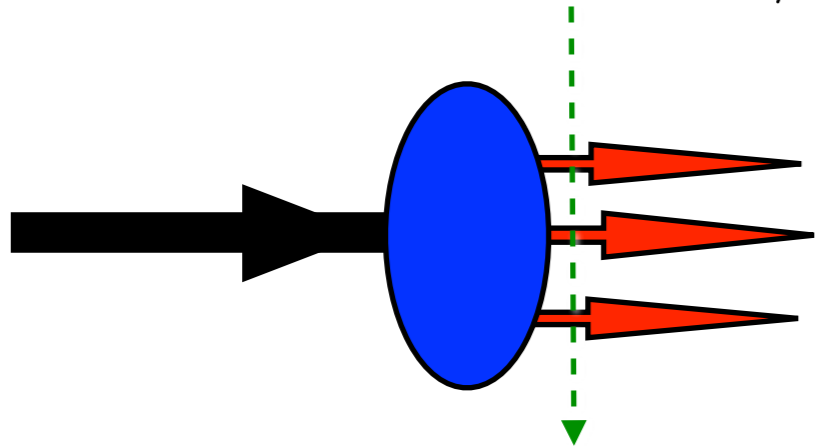
**LFWFs: Off-shell in P- and invariant mass**

# Bound States in Relativistic Quantum Field Theory:

## *Light-Front Wavefunctions*

Dirac's Front Form: Fixed  $\tau = t + z/c$

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$$\psi(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

$$x = \frac{k^+}{P^+} = \frac{k^0 + k^3}{P^0 + P^3}$$

***Invariant under boosts. Independent of  $P^\mu$***

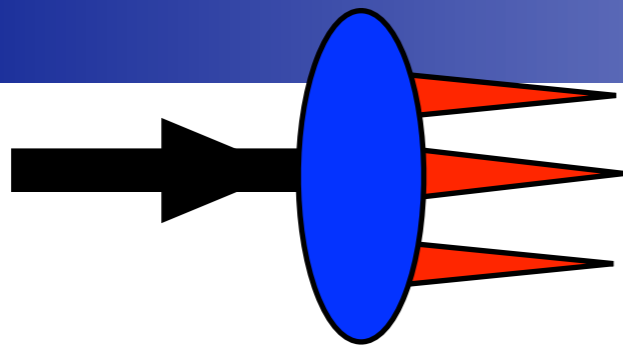
$$H_{LF}^{QCD} |\psi\rangle = M^2 |\psi\rangle$$

**Direct connection to QCD Lagrangian**

***LF Wavefunction: off-shell in invariant mass***

*Remarkable new insights from AdS/CFT, the duality between conformal field theory and Anti-de Sitter Space*





# Light-Front Wavefunctions underly hadronic observables

*Lorce, Pasquini*

$$\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$$

Transverse density in momentum space

GTMDs

$$x, \vec{k}_{\perp}, \vec{b}_{\perp}$$

Momentum space  $\vec{k}_{\perp} \leftrightarrow \vec{z}_{\perp}$  Position space  
 $\vec{\Delta}_{\perp} \leftrightarrow \vec{b}_{\perp}$

Transverse density in position space

Weak transition form factors

TMDs

$$x, \vec{k}_{\perp}$$

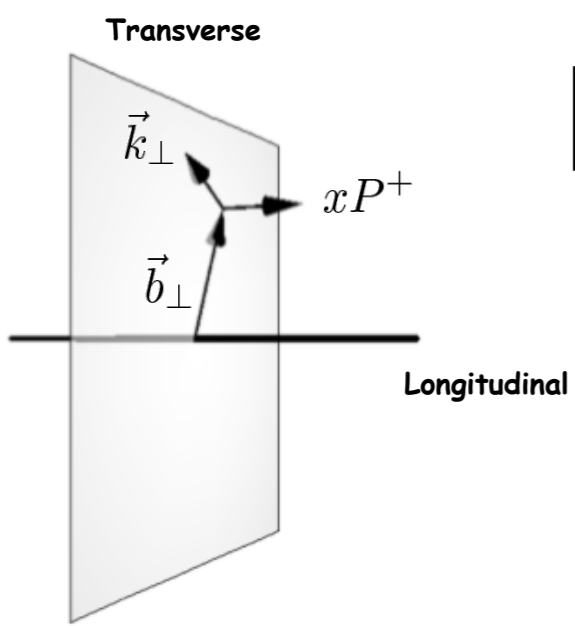
TMFFs

$$\vec{k}_{\perp}, \vec{b}_{\perp}$$

GPDs

$$x, \vec{b}_{\perp}$$

DGLAP, ERBL Evolution Factorization Theorems



TMSDs

$$\vec{k}_{\perp}$$

PDFs

$$x,$$

FFs

$$\vec{b}_{\perp}$$

Charges

- $\int d^2 b_{\perp}$
- $\int dx$
- $\int d^2 k_{\perp}$

*Sivers, T-odd from lensing*

*Single-spin asymmetries*

**Leading Twist Sivers Effect**

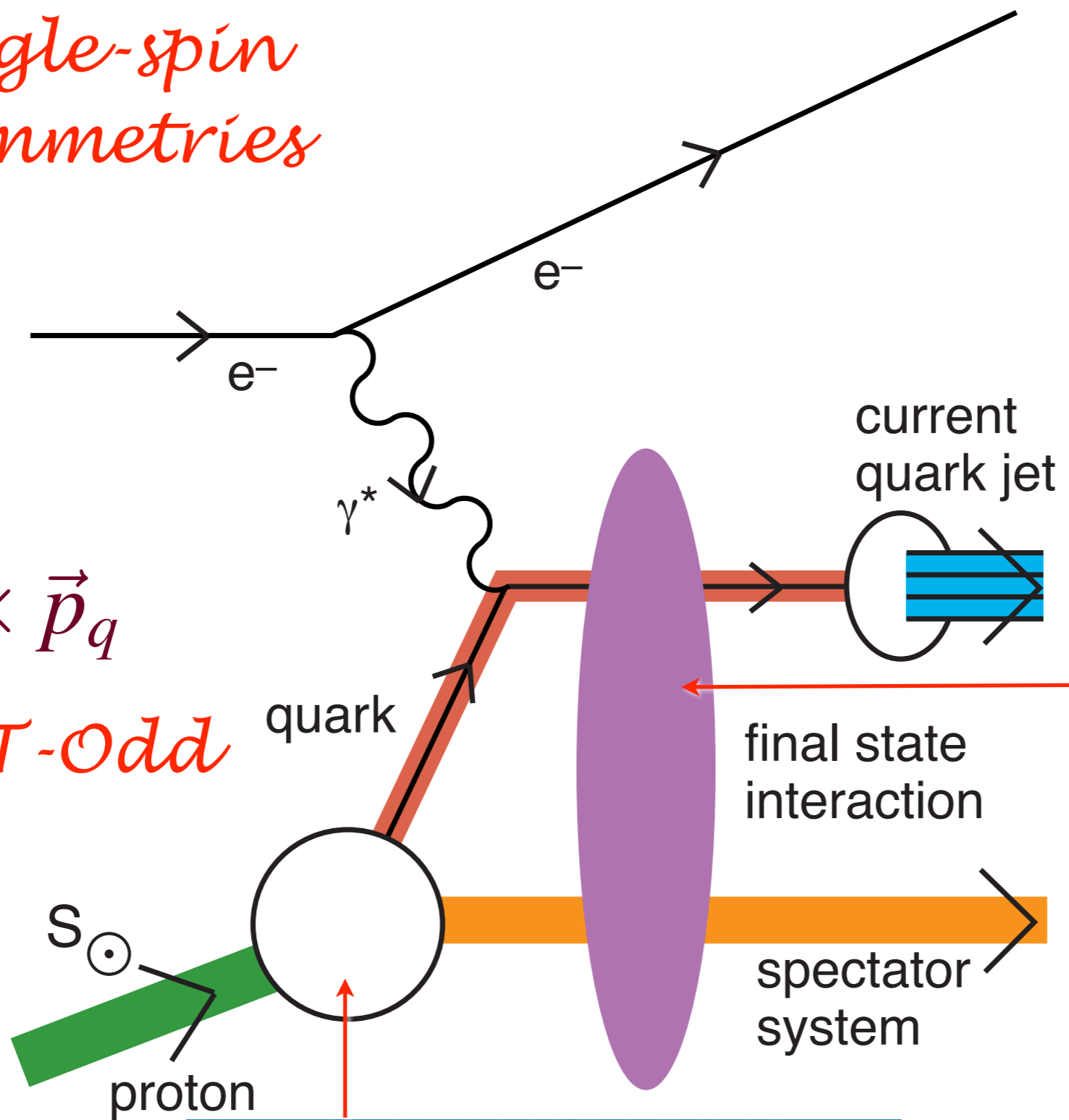
**Hwang, Schmidt, sjb**

**Collins, Burkardt, Ji, Yuan. Pasquini, ...**

*QCD S- and P-Coulomb Phases --Wilson Line*

**“Lensing Effect”**

*Leading-Twist Rescattering Violates pQCD Factorization!*



$$i \vec{S}_p \cdot \vec{q} \times \vec{p}_q$$

*Pseudo-T-Odd*

**“Lensing” involves soft scales**

*Sign reversal in DY!*

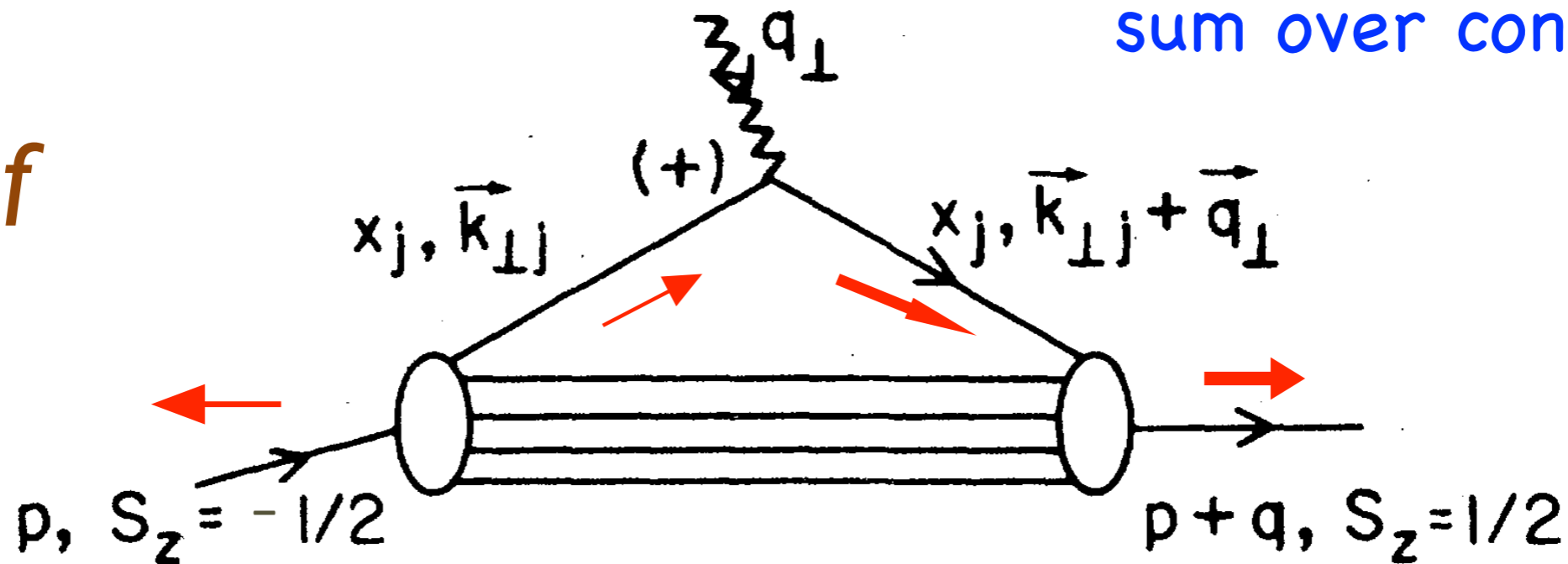
*Light-Front Wavefunction S and P- Waves!*

**Terayev, Okun:**  $B(0)$  Must vanish because of Equivalence Theorem

graviton

sum over constituents

LF Proof



$$B(0) = 0$$

Each Fock State

Vanishing Anomalous gravitomagnetic moment  $B(0)$

# $H_{QED}$

*QED atoms: positronium and muonium*

$$(H_0 + H_{int}) |\Psi\rangle = E |\Psi\rangle$$

*Coupled Fock states*

$$\left[ -\frac{\Delta^2}{2m_{red}} + V_{eff}(\vec{S}, \vec{r}) \right] \psi(\vec{r}) = E \psi(\vec{r})$$

*Effective two-particle equation*

**Includes Lamb Shift, quantum corrections**

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{2m_{red}} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} + \frac{1}{2m_{red}} \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} + V_{eff}(r, S, \ell) \right] \psi(r) = E \psi(r)$$

*Spherical Basis*  $r, \theta, \phi$

$$V_{eff} \rightarrow V_C(r) = -\frac{\alpha}{r}$$

*Semiclassical first approximation to QED*



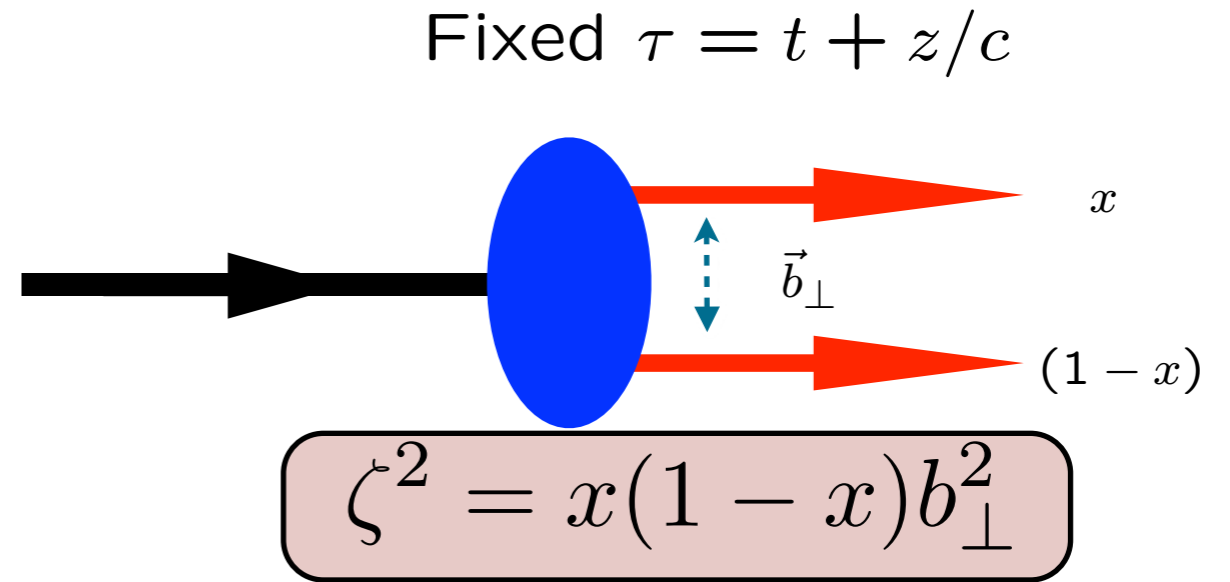
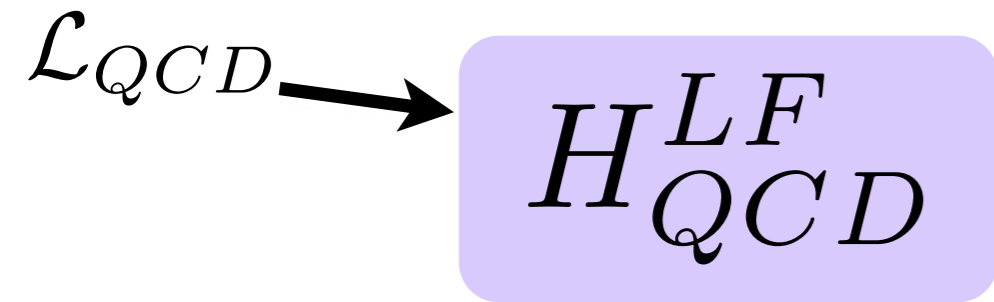
*Coulomb potential*

**Bohr Spectrum**

*Schrödinger Eq.*



# Light-Front QCD



$$(H_{LF}^0 + H_{LF}^I) |\Psi\rangle = M^2 |\Psi\rangle$$

*Coupled Fock states*

*Eliminate higher Fock states and retarded interactions*

$$\left[ \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m^2}{x(1-x)} + V_{\text{eff}}^{LF} \right] \psi_{LF}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp}) = M^2 \psi_{LF}(x, \vec{k}_{\perp})$$

*Effective two-particle equation*

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

*Azimuthal Basis  $\zeta, \phi$*

**Single variable Equation**

$$m_q = 0$$

**AdS/QCD:**

*Confining AdS/QCD potential!*

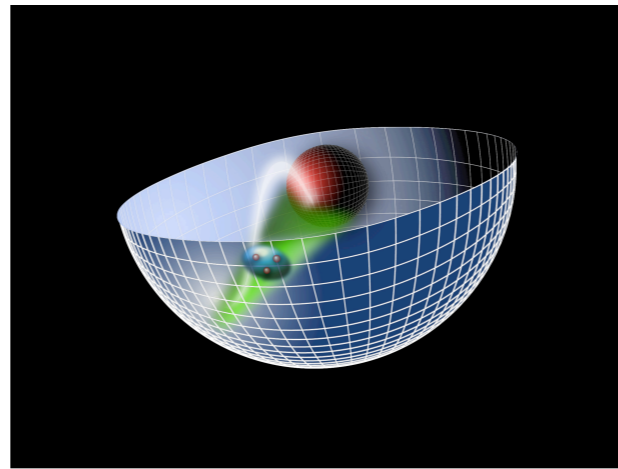
$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

*Sums an infinite # diagrams*

*Semiclassical first approximation to QCD*

*AdS/QCD  
Soft-Wall Model*

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$



$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2$$

*Light-Front Holography*

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



***Light-Front Schrödinger Equation***

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

*Single variable  $\zeta$*

***Unique  
Confinement Potential!***  
*Conformal Symmetry  
of the action*

***Confinement scale:***

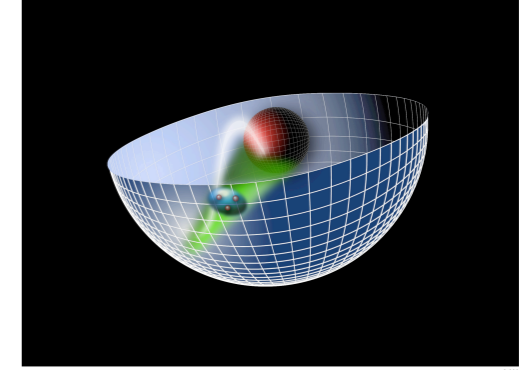
$$\kappa \simeq 0.5 \text{ GeV}$$

- **de Alfaro, Fubini, Furlan:**
- **Fubini, Rabinovici:**

**Scale can appear in Hamiltonian and EQM  
without affecting conformal invariance of action!**

*GeV units external to QCD: Only Ratios of Masses Determined*

# AdS<sub>5</sub>



- Isomorphism of  $SO(4, 2)$  of **conformal QCD** with the group of **isometries** of AdS space

$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2),$$

*invariant measure* ←

$x^\mu \rightarrow \lambda x^\mu, z \rightarrow \lambda z$ , maps scale transformations into the holographic coordinate  $z$ .

- AdS mode in  $z$  is the extension of the hadron wf into the fifth dimension.
- Different values of  $z$  correspond to different scales at which the hadron is examined.

$$x^2 \rightarrow \lambda^2 x^2, \quad z \rightarrow \lambda z.$$

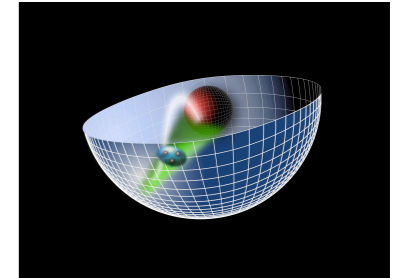
$x^2 = x_\mu x^\mu$ : invariant separation between quarks

- The AdS boundary at  $z \rightarrow 0$  correspond to the  $Q \rightarrow \infty$ , UV zero separation limit.

## AdS/CFT

# Dilaton-Modified AdS

$$ds^2 = e^{\varphi(z)} \frac{R^2}{z^2} (\eta_{\mu\nu} x^\mu x^\nu - dz^2)$$



- **Soft-wall dilaton profile breaks conformal invariance**  $e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$
- **Color Confinement in z**
- **Introduces confinement scale  $\kappa$**
- **Uses AdS<sub>5</sub> as template for conformal theory**



# Introduce "Dilaton" to simulate confinement analytically

- Nonconformal metric dual to a confining gauge theory

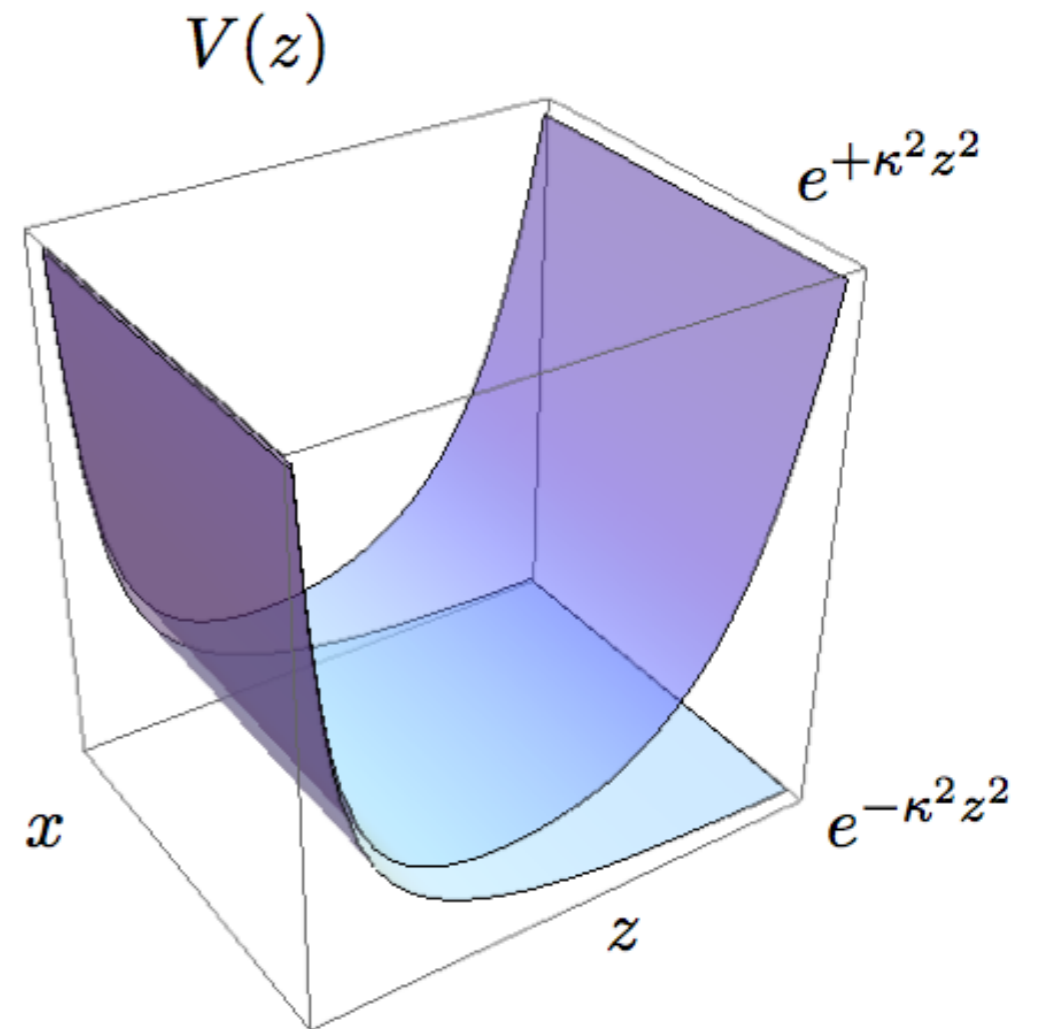
$$ds^2 = \frac{R^2}{z^2} e^{\varphi(z)} (\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - dz^2)$$

where  $\varphi(z) \rightarrow 0$  at small  $z$  for geometries which are asymptotically AdS<sub>5</sub>

- Gravitational potential energy for object of mass  $m$

$$V = mc^2 \sqrt{g_{00}} = mc^2 R \frac{e^{\varphi(z)/2}}{z}$$

- Consider warp factor  $\exp(\pm\kappa^2 z^2)$
- Plus solution:  $V(z)$  increases exponentially confining any object in modified AdS metrics to distances  $\langle z \rangle \sim 1/\kappa$



*Klebanov and Maldacena*

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

**Positive-sign dilaton**

- de Teramond, sjb

# Bosonic Solutions: Hard Wall Model

- Conformal metric:  $ds^2 = g_{\ell m} dx^\ell dx^m$ .  $x^\ell = (x^\mu, z)$ ,  $g_{\ell m} \rightarrow (R^2/z^2) \eta_{\ell m}$ .

- Action for massive scalar modes on  $\text{AdS}_{d+1}$ :

$$S[\Phi] = \frac{1}{2} \int d^{d+1}x \sqrt{g} \frac{1}{2} \left[ g^{\ell m} \partial_\ell \Phi \partial_m \Phi - \mu^2 \Phi^2 \right], \quad \sqrt{g} \rightarrow (R/z)^{d+1}.$$

- Equation of motion

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\ell} \left( \sqrt{g} g^{\ell m} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^m} \Phi \right) + \mu^2 \Phi = 0.$$

- Factor out dependence along  $x^\mu$ -coordinates,  $\Phi_P(x, z) = e^{-iP \cdot x} \Phi(z)$ ,  $P_\mu P^\mu = \mathcal{M}^2$ :

$$\left[ z^2 \partial_z^2 - (d-1)z \partial_z + z^2 \mathcal{M}^2 - (\mu R)^2 \right] \Phi(z) = 0.$$

- Solution:  $\Phi(z) \rightarrow z^\Delta$  as  $z \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$\Phi(z) = C z^{d/2} J_{\Delta-d/2}(z\mathcal{M}) \quad \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \left( d + \sqrt{d^2 + 4\mu^2 R^2} \right).$$

$$\Delta = 2 + L \quad d = 4 \quad (\mu R)^2 = L^2 - 4$$

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

**Positive-sign dilaton**

• de Teramond, sjb

*AdS Soft-Wall Schrödinger Equation for bound state of two scalar constituents:*

$$\left[ -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \frac{1 - 4L^2}{4z^2} + U(z) \right] \Phi(z) = \mathcal{M}^2 \Phi(z)$$

$$U(z) = \kappa^4 z^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

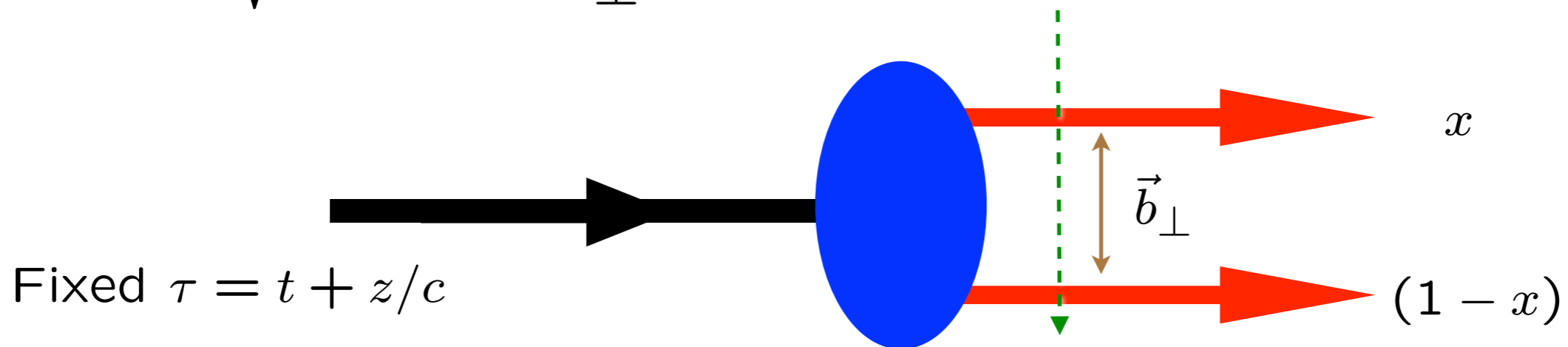
*Derived from variation of Action for Dilaton-Modified AdS<sub>5</sub>*

***Identical to Single-Variable Light-Front Bound State Equation in  $\zeta$ !***

$$z \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)\vec{b}_\perp^2}$$

$LF(3+1) \longleftrightarrow AdS_5$ 

# Light-Front Holographic Dictionary

 $\psi(x, \vec{b}_\perp) \longleftrightarrow \phi(z)$ 
 $\zeta = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \vec{b}_\perp^2 \longleftrightarrow z$ 


$$\psi(x, \zeta) = \sqrt{x(1-x)} \zeta^{-1/2} \phi(\zeta)$$

$$(\mu R)^2 = L^2 - (J - 2)^2$$

**Light-Front Holography:** Unique mapping derived from equality of LF and AdS formula for EM and gravitational current matrix elements and identical equations of motion

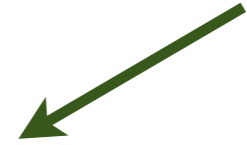


# Massless pion!

## Meson Spectrum in Soft Wall Model

$$m_\pi = 0 \text{ if } m_q = 0$$

*Pion: Negative term for J=0 cancels positive terms from LFKE and potential*



- Effective potential:  $U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1)$

- LF WE

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

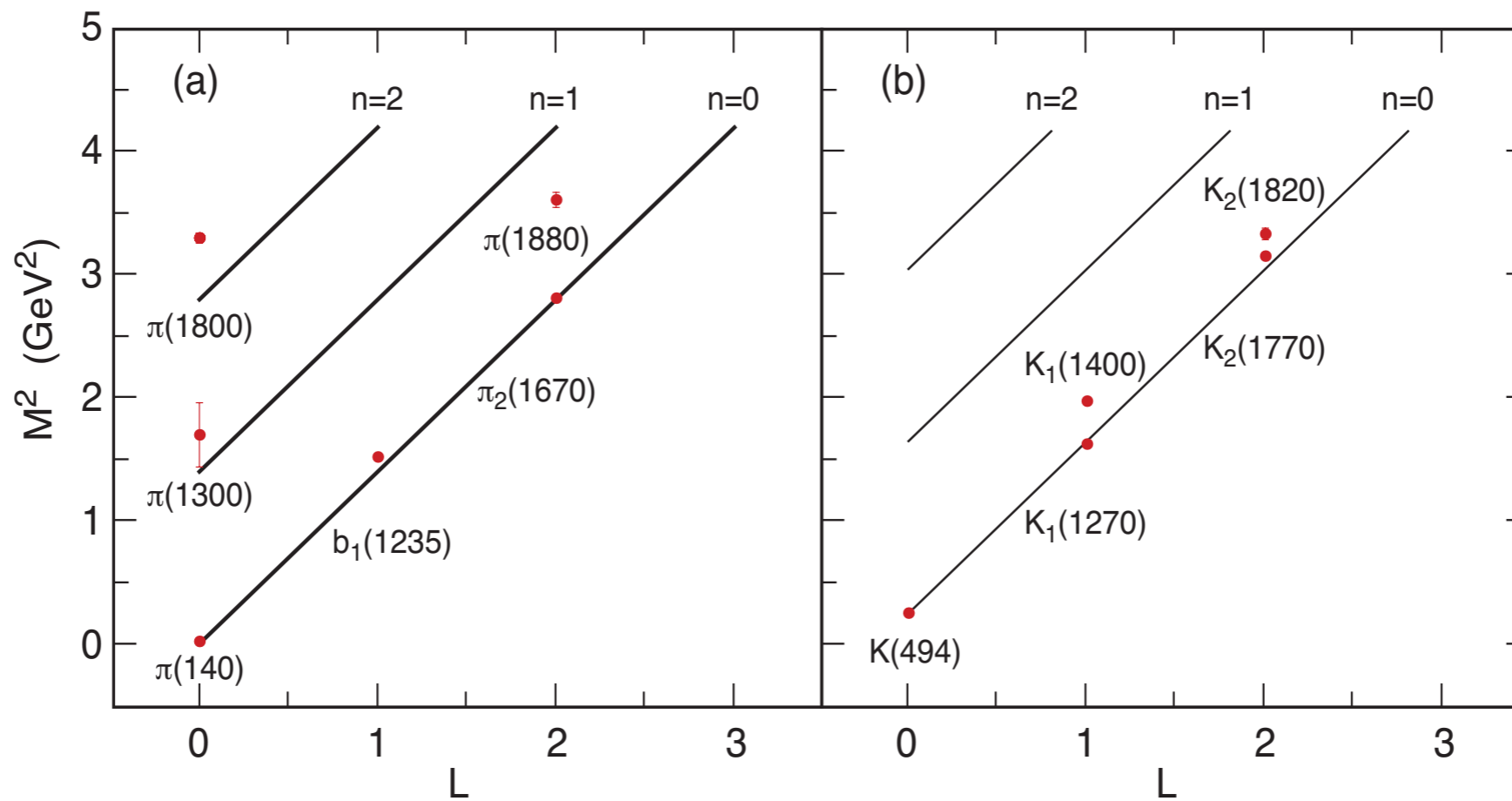
- Normalized eigenfunctions  $\langle \phi | \phi \rangle = \int d\zeta \phi^2(z)^2 = 1$

$$\phi_{n,L}(\zeta) = \kappa^{1+L} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} \zeta^{1/2+L} e^{-\kappa^2 \zeta^2 / 2} L_n^L(\kappa^2 \zeta^2)$$

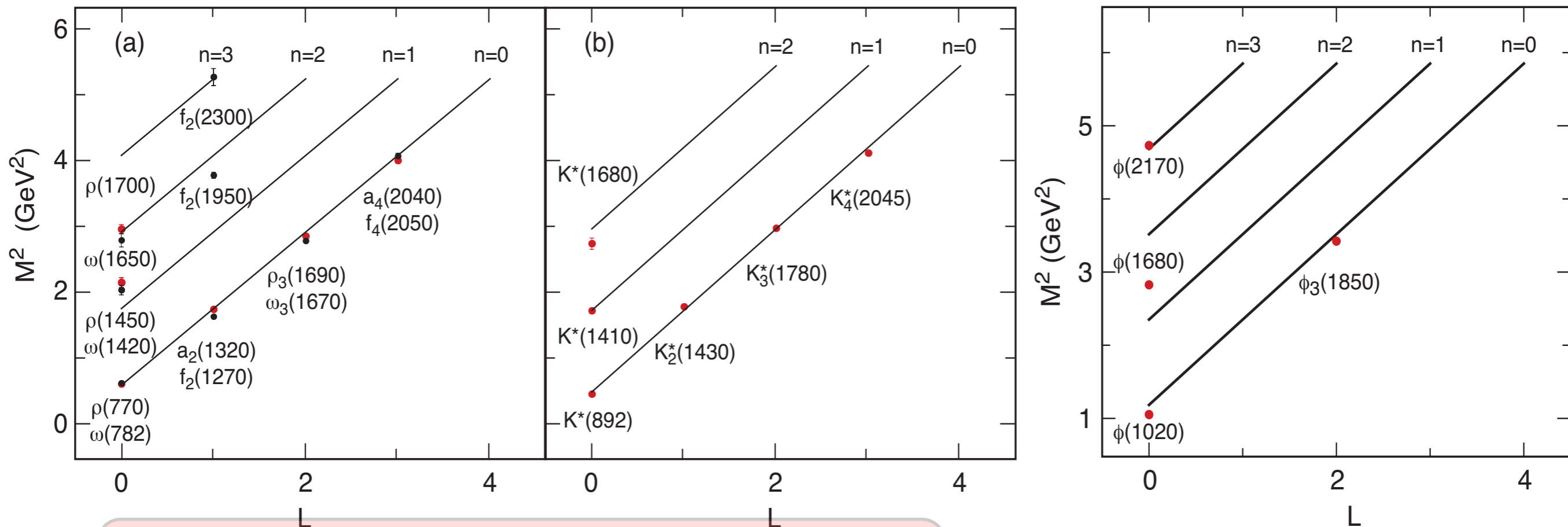
- Eigenvalues

$$M_{n,J,L}^2 = 4\kappa^2 \left( n + \frac{J+L}{2} \right)$$

$$\vec{\zeta}^2 = \vec{b}_\perp^2 x(1-x)$$



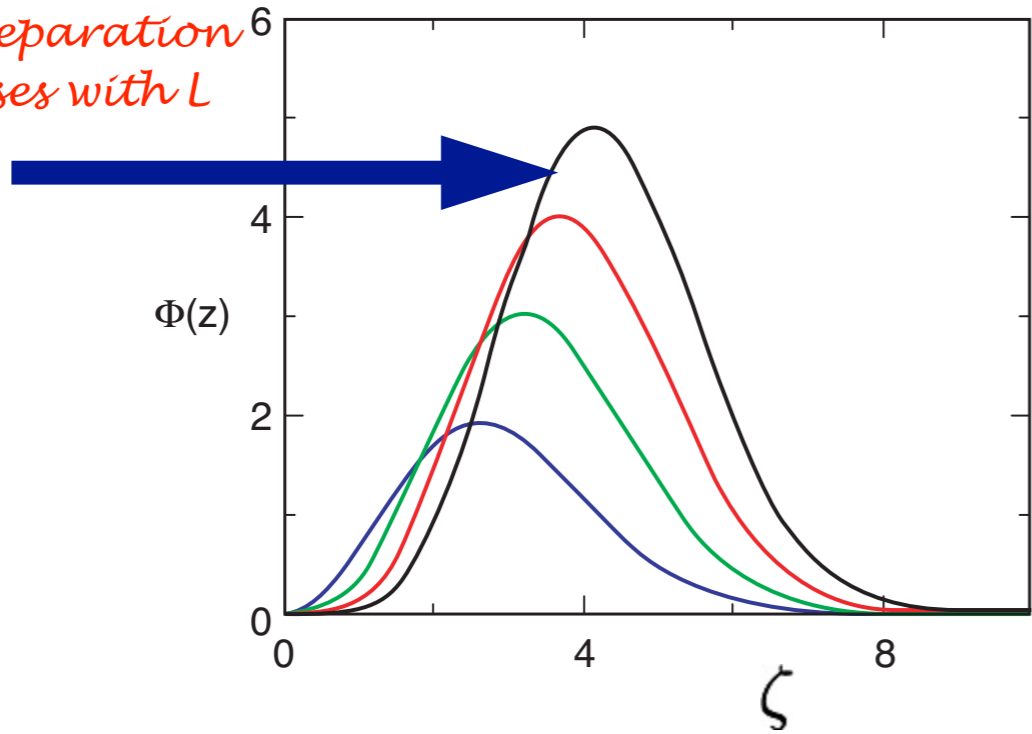
$m_q = 0$



$$M^2(n, L, S) = 4\kappa^2(n + L + S/2)$$

*Equal Slope in  $n$  and  $L$*

Quark separation increases with  $L$



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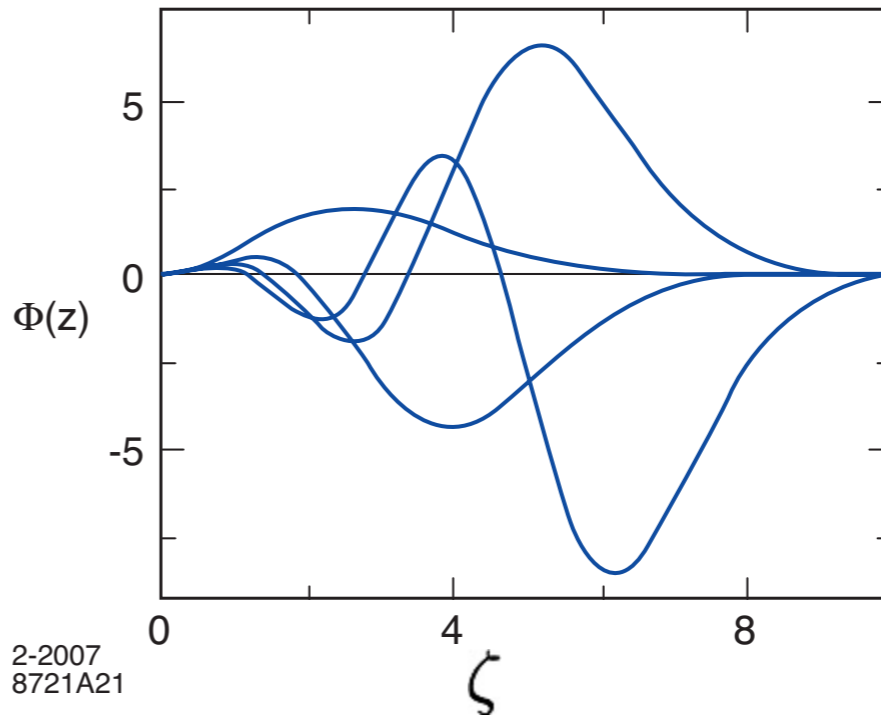
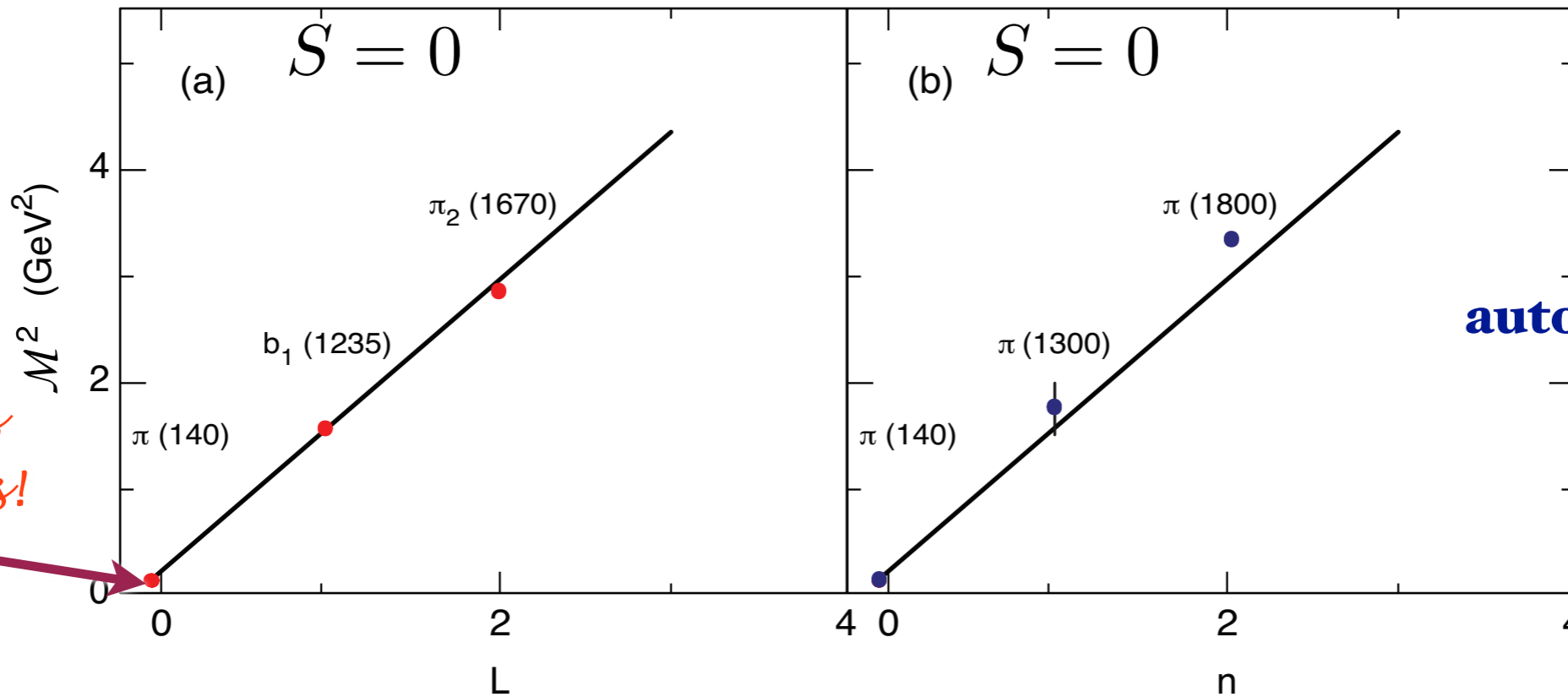


Fig: Orbital and radial AdS modes in the soft wall model for  $\kappa = 0.6$  GeV .

*Same slope in  $n$  and  $L$ !*

*Soft Wall Model*



*Pion has zero mass!*



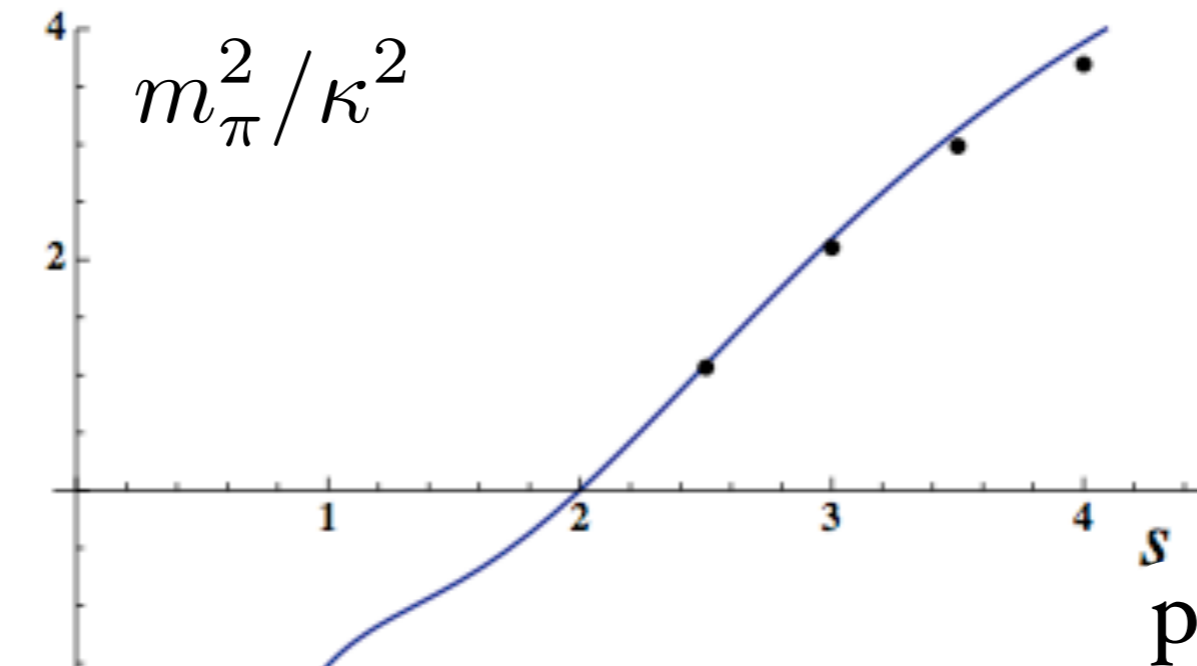
**Pion mass automatically zero!**

$$m_q = 0$$

Light meson orbital (a) and radial (b) spectrum for  $\kappa = 0.6$  GeV.

# Uniqueness of Dilaton

$$\varphi_p(z) = \kappa^p z^p$$



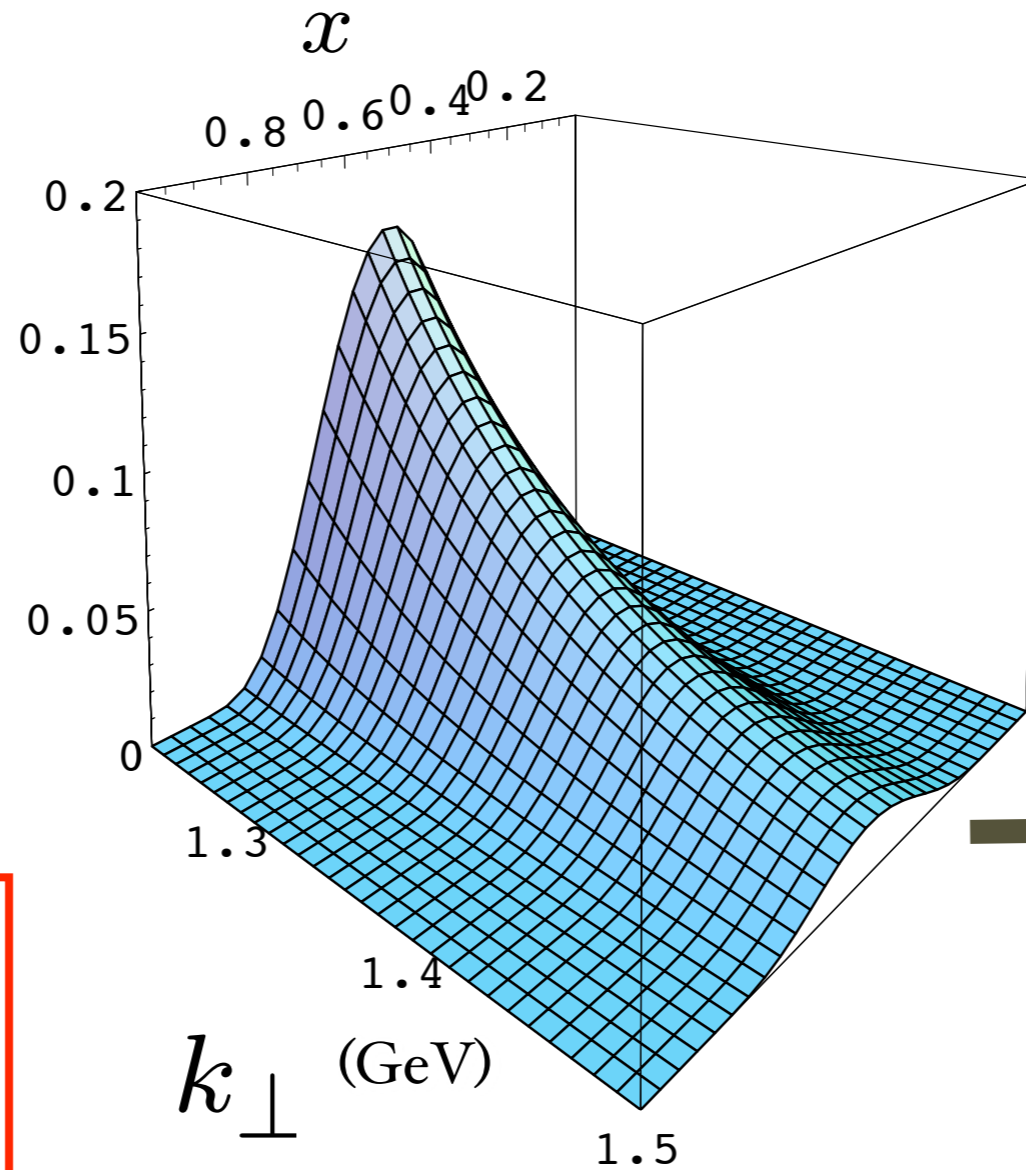
*pion is massless in chiral limit iff*  
 *$p=2!$*

$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

# Prediction from AdS/QCD: Meson LFWF

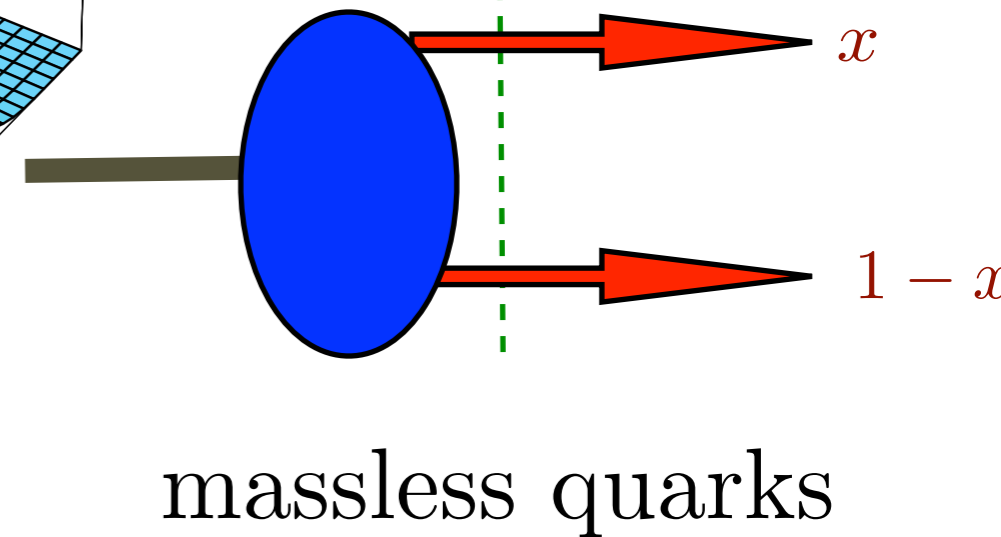
$$e^{\varphi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z}$$

$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}^2)$$



de Teramond,  
Cao, sjb

“Soft Wall”  
model



**Note coupling**

$$k_{\perp}^2, x$$

$$\psi_M(x, k_{\perp}) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_{\perp}^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$

$$\phi_{\pi}(x) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}\pi} f_{\pi} \sqrt{x(1-x)}$$

$$f_{\pi} = \sqrt{P_{q\bar{q}}} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8} \kappa = 92.4 \text{ MeV}$$

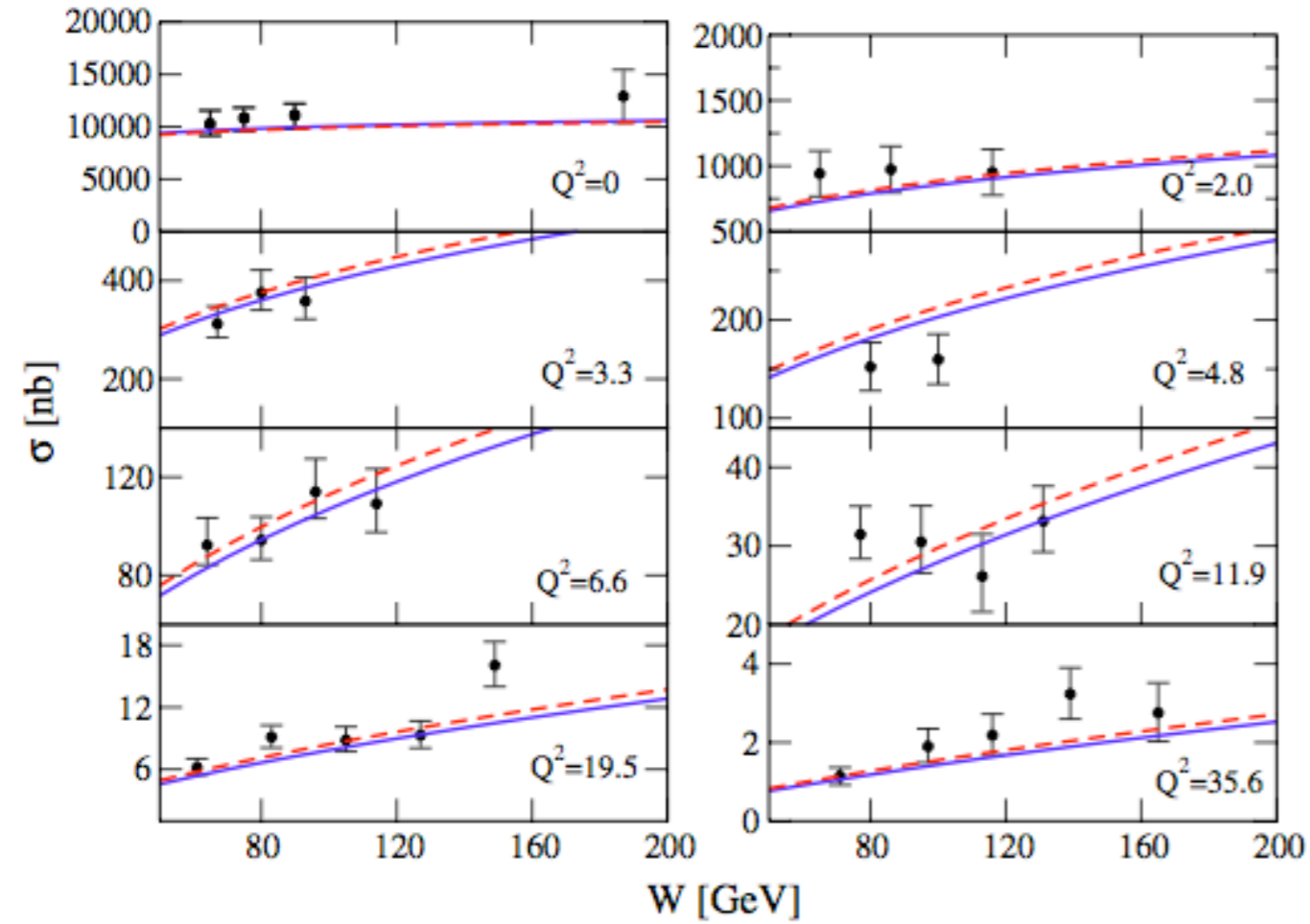
**Same as DSE!** C. D. Roberts et al.

*Provides Connection of Confinement to Hadron Structure*

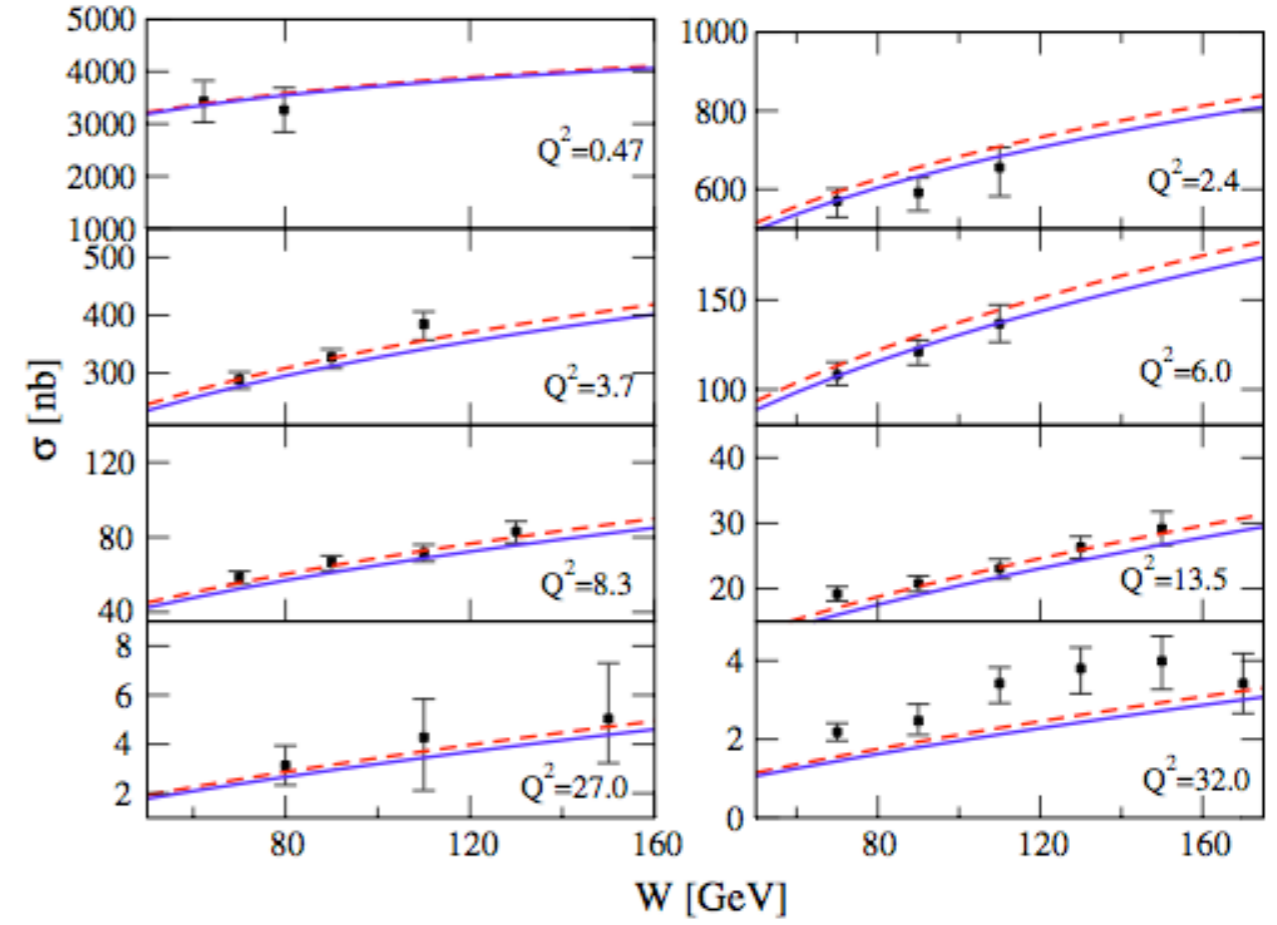


### AdS/QCD Holographic Wave Function for the $\rho$ Meson and Diffractive $\rho$ Meson Electroproduction

(a) H1



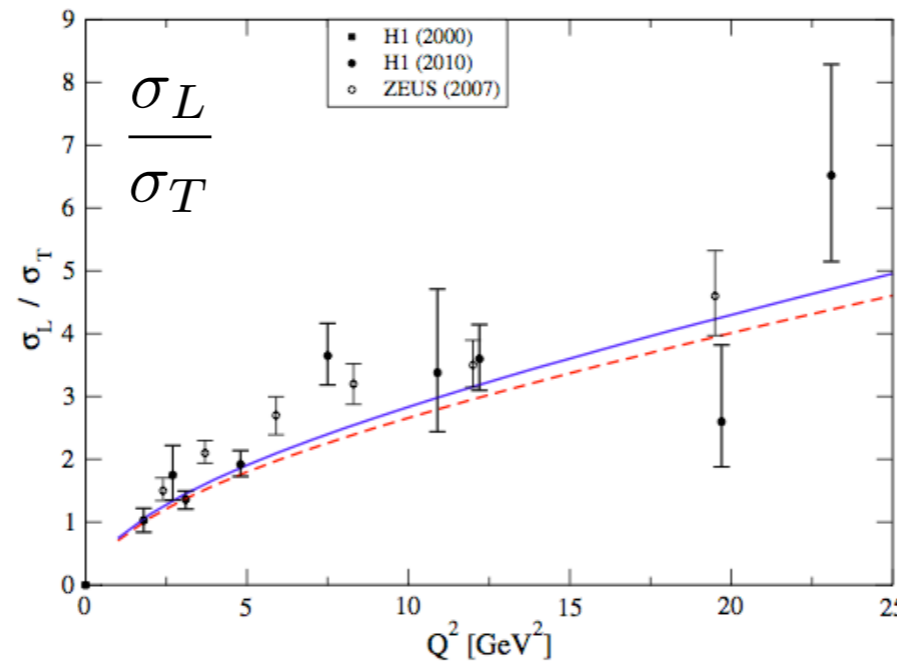
(a) H1



(b) ZEUS

**J. R. Forshaw,  
R. Sandapen**

$$\gamma^* p \rightarrow \rho^0 p'$$



$$\psi_M(x, k_\perp) = \frac{4\pi}{\kappa \sqrt{x(1-x)}} e^{-\frac{k_\perp^2}{2\kappa^2 x(1-x)}}$$

# Light-Front Perturbation Theory for pQCD

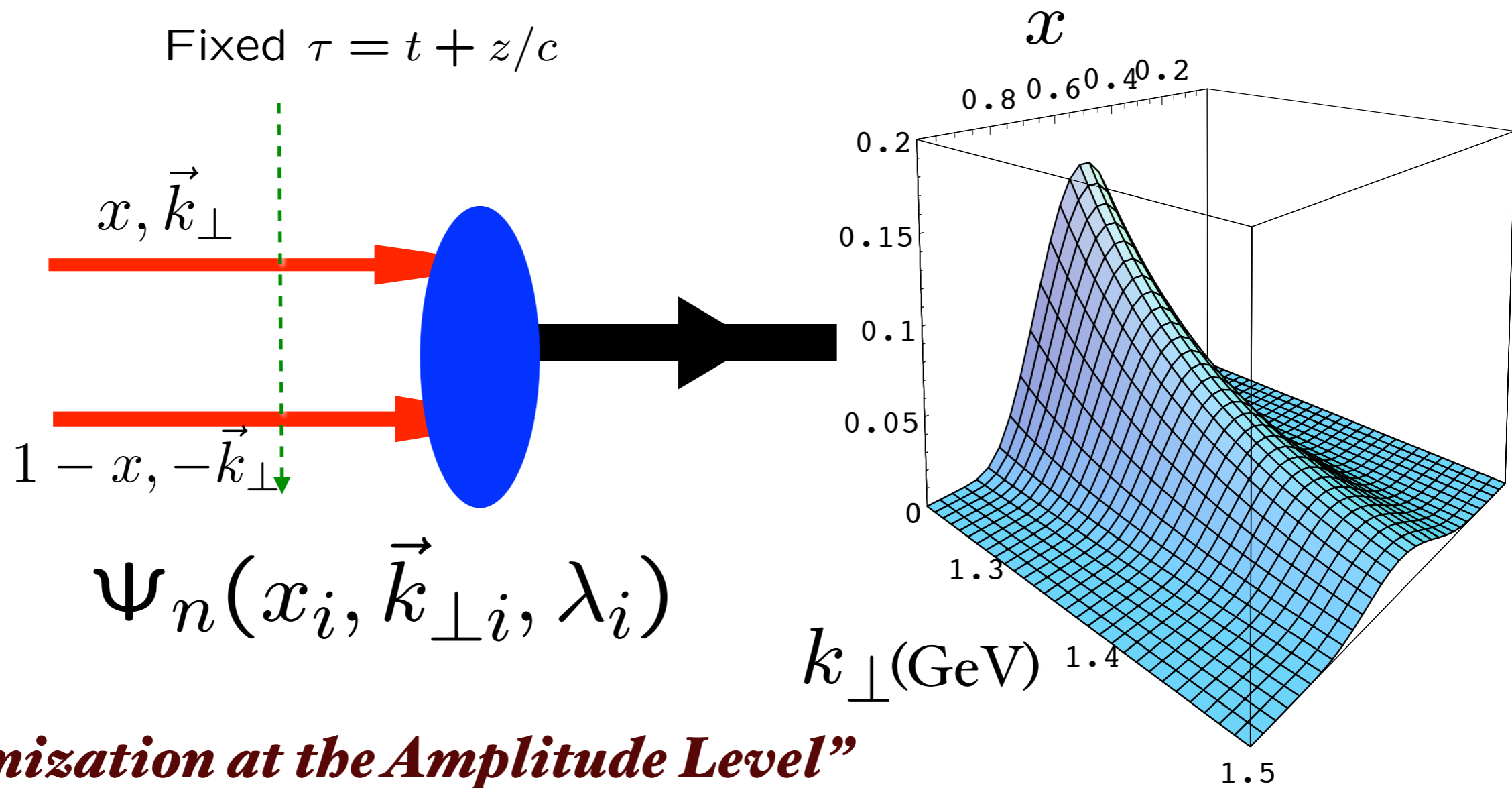
$$T = H_I + H_I \frac{1}{\mathcal{M}_{initial}^2 - \mathcal{M}_{intermediate}^2 + i\epsilon} H_I + \text{cdots}$$

- “History”: Compute any subgraph only once since the LFPth numerator does not depend on the process — only the denominator changes!
- Wick Theorem applies, but few amplitudes since all  $k^+ > 0$ .
- $J_z$  Conservation at every vertex  $\left| \sum_{initial} S^z - \sum_{final} S_z \right| \leq n$  at order  $g^n$
- Unitarity is explicit
- Loop Integrals are 3-dimensional  $\int_0^1 dx \int d^2 k_\perp$
- hadronization: coalesce comoving quarks and gluons to hadrons using light-front wavefunctions  $\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$

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• *Light Front Wavefunctions:*  $\Psi_n(x_i, \vec{k}_{\perp i}, \lambda_i)$

off-shell in  $P^-$  and invariant mass  $\mathcal{M}_{q\bar{q}}^2$



***“Hadronization at the Amplitude Level”***

**Boost-invariant LFWF connects confined quarks and gluons to hadrons**

# Connection to the Linear Instant-Form Potential

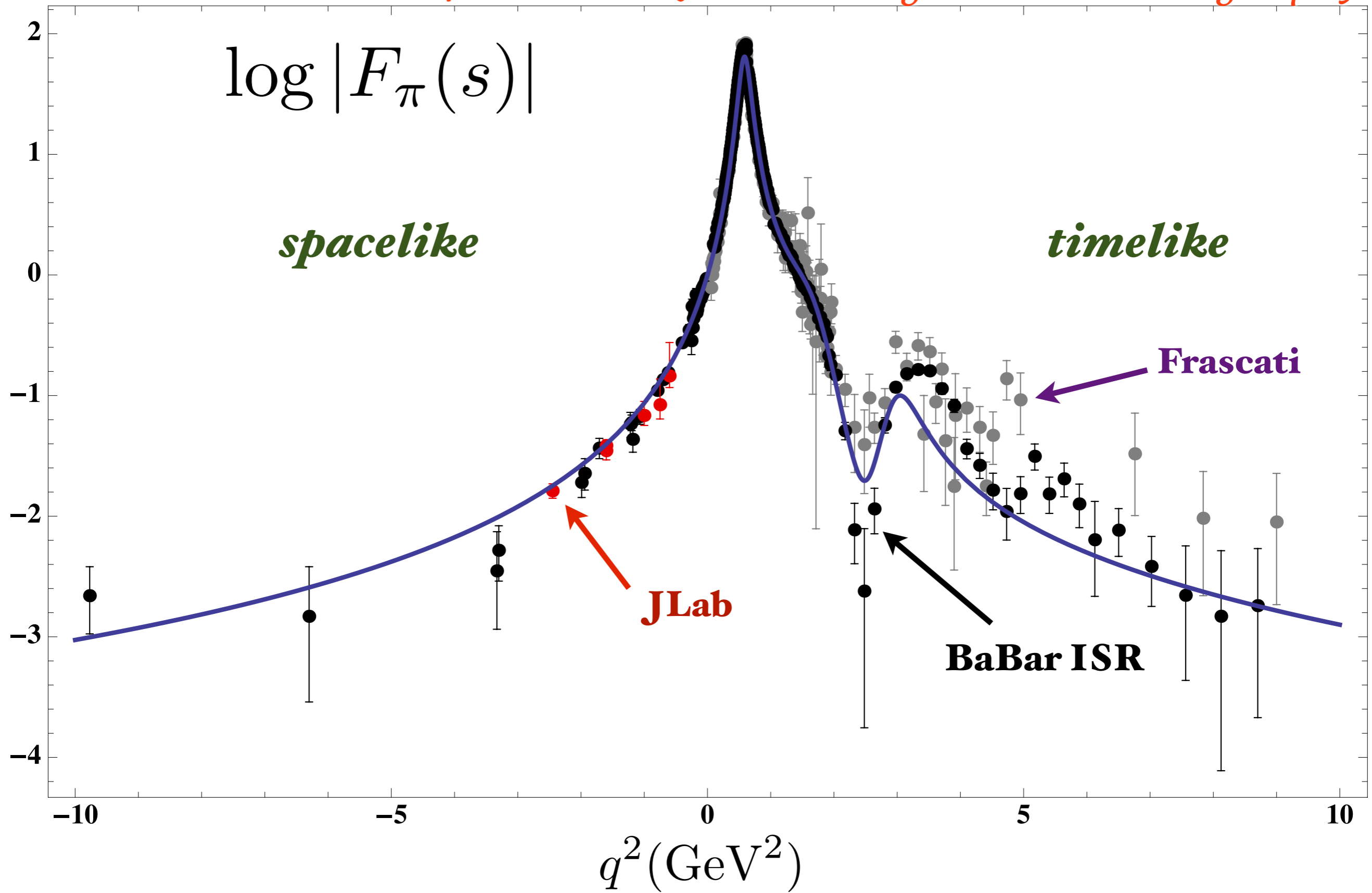
Linear instant nonrelativistic form  $V(r) = Cr$  for heavy quarks



Harmonic Oscillator  $U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$  LF Potential for relativistic light quarks

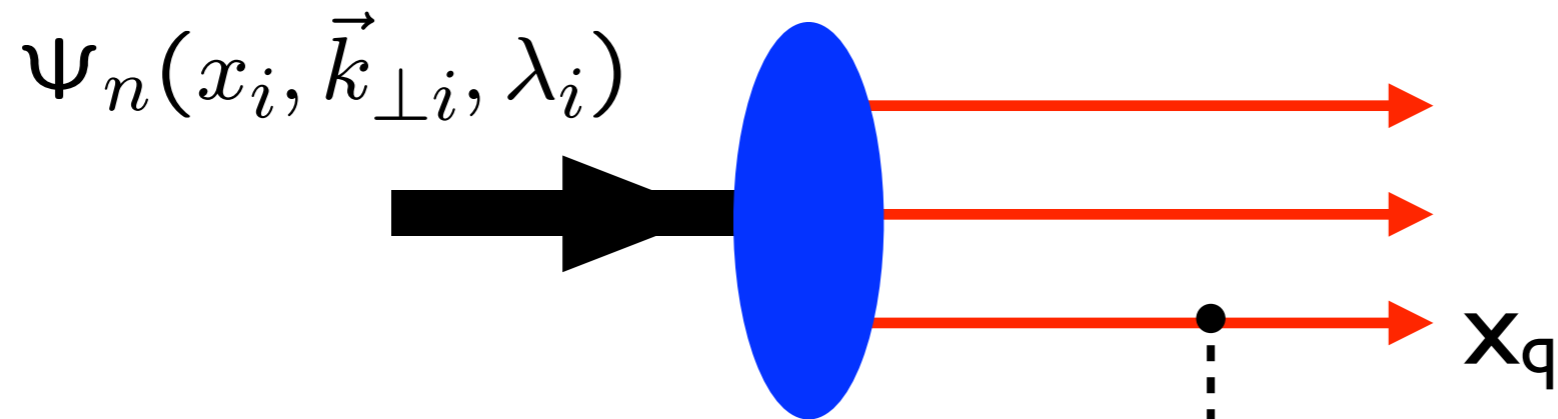
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# Pion Form Factor from AdS/QCD and Light-Front Holography





# Coupling of confined quarks to Higgs Zero Mode $\langle h \rangle$



$$g_q \bar{\psi}_q(x) \psi_q(x) h(x)$$

$\langle h \rangle$  **Higgs Zero Mode!**

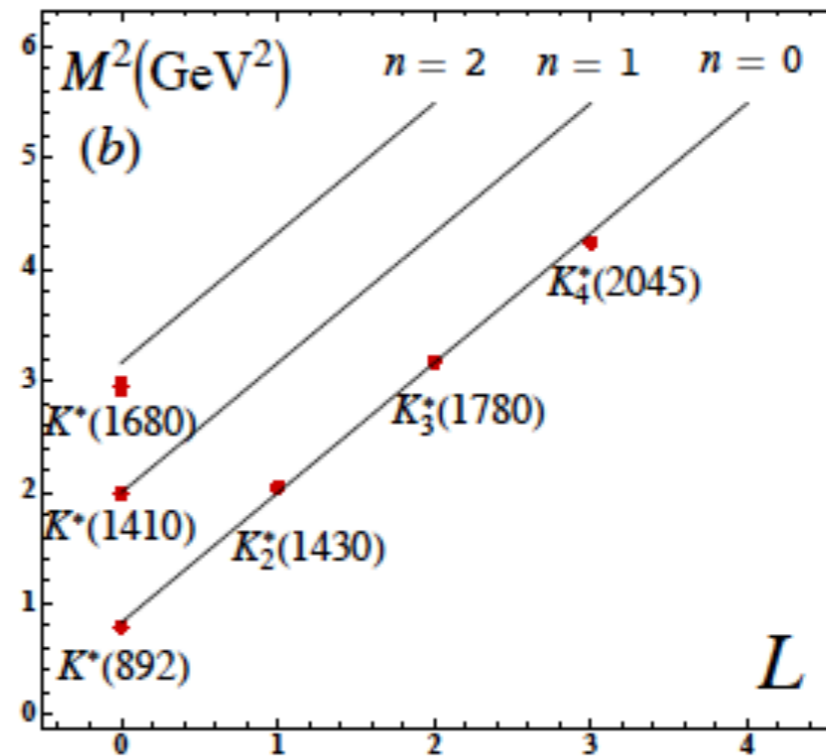
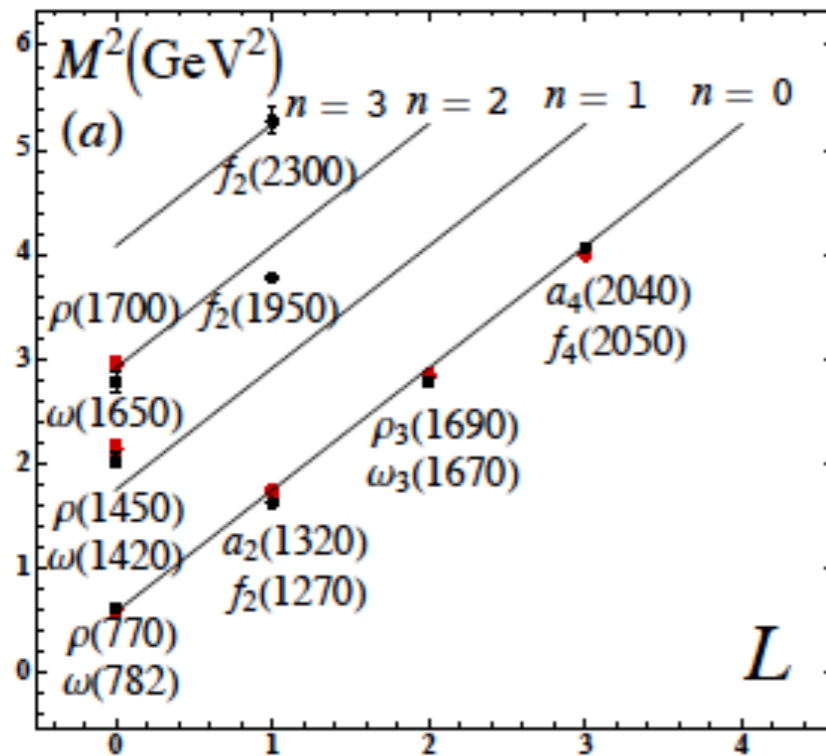
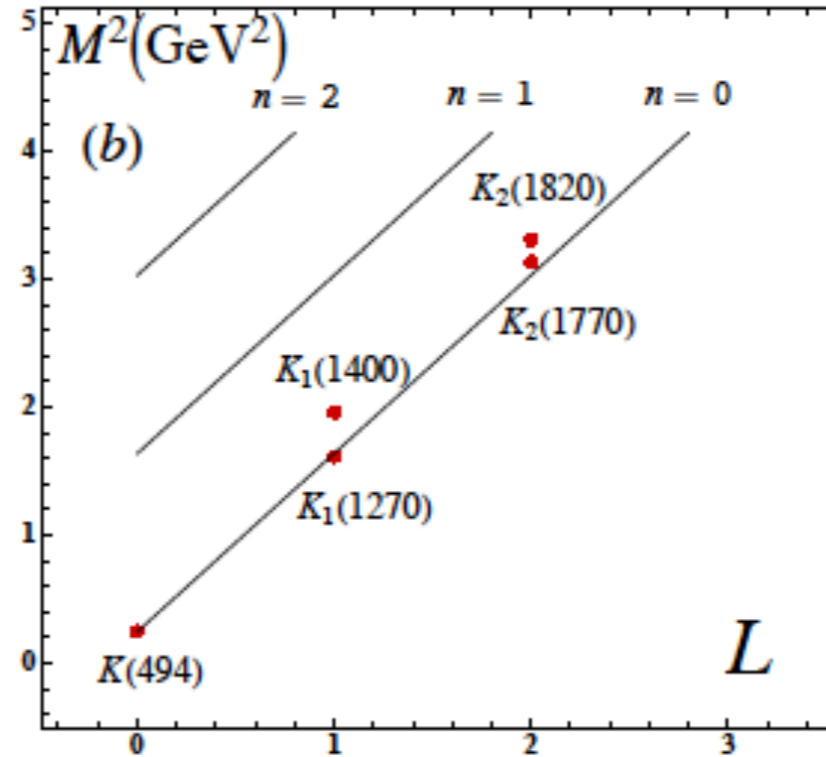
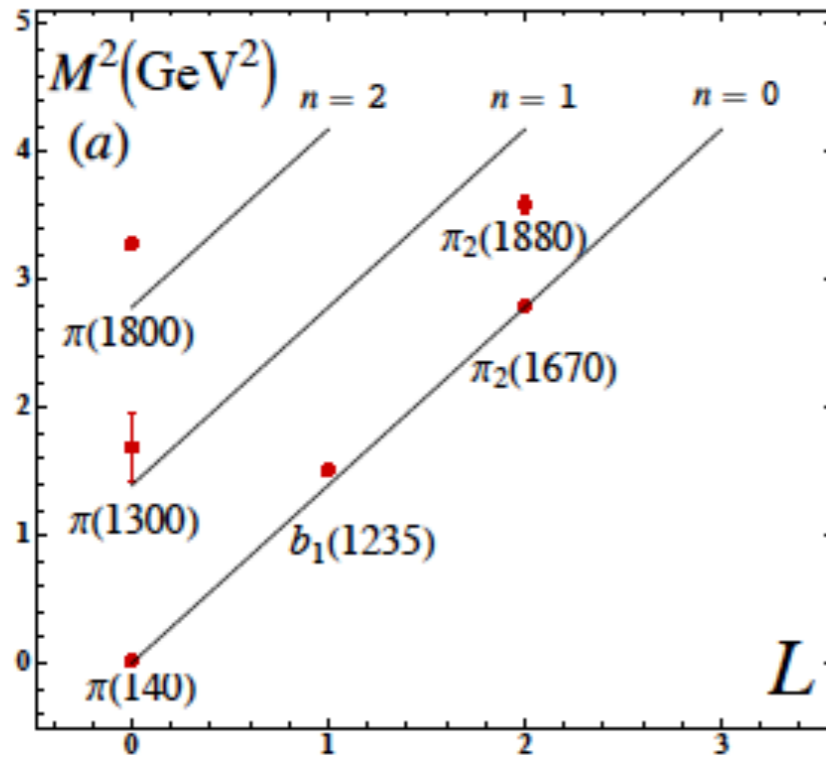
*Yukawa Higgs coupling of confined quark to Higgs zero mode gives*

$$\bar{u}u g_q \langle h \rangle = \frac{m_q}{x_q} m_q = \frac{m_q^2}{x_q}$$

$$H_{LFKE} = \sum_i \left[ \frac{\vec{k}_{\perp}^2 + m_q^2}{x_q} \right]_i = \mathcal{M}^2 = \left[ \sum_i k_q^{\mu} \right]^2$$

$$M^2 = M_0^2 + \left\langle X \left| \frac{m_q^2}{x} \right| X \right\rangle + \left\langle X \left| \frac{m_{\bar{q}}^2}{1-x} \right| X \right\rangle$$

from LF Higgs mechanism



# Remarkable Features of Light-Front Schrödinger Equation

## Dynamics + Spectroscopy!

- **Relativistic, frame-independent**
- **QCD scale appears - unique LF potential**
- **Reproduces spectroscopy and dynamics of light-quark hadrons with one parameter**
- **Zero-mass pion for zero mass quarks!**
- **Regge slope same for n and L -- not usual HO**
- **Splitting in L persists to high mass -- contradicts conventional wisdom based on breakdown of chiral symmetry**
- **Phenomenology: LFWFs, Form factors, electroproduction**
- **Extension to heavy quarks**

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 (L + S - 1)$$

# QCD Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = -\frac{1}{4} \text{Tr}(G^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}) + \sum_{f=1}^{n_f} i\bar{\Psi}_f D_\mu \gamma^\mu \Psi_f + \sum_{f=1}^{n_f} m_f \bar{\Psi}_f \Psi_f$$

$$iD^\mu = i\partial^\mu - gA^\mu \quad G^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu - g[A^\mu, A^\nu]$$

**Classical Chiral Lagrangian is Conformally Invariant**

**Where does the QCD Mass Scale come from?**

**QCD does not know what MeV units mean!  
Only Ratios of Masses Determined**

- **de Alfaro, Fubini, Furlan:** *Scale can appear in Hamiltonian and EQM without affecting conformal invariance of action!*

***Unique confinement potential!***

● **de Alfaro, Fubini, Furlan** (*dAFF*)

$$G|\psi(\tau)\rangle = i\frac{\partial}{\partial\tau}|\psi(\tau)\rangle$$

$$G = uH + vD + wK$$

**New term**

$$G = H_\tau = \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \frac{g}{x^2} + \frac{4uw - v^2}{4}x^2\right)$$

*Retains conformal invariance of action despite mass scale!*

$$4uw - v^2 = \kappa^4 = [M]^4$$

*Identical to LF Hamiltonian with unique potential and dilaton!*

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

$$U(\zeta) = \kappa^4\zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L + S - 1)$$



# *dAFF: New Time Variable*

$$\tau = \frac{2}{\sqrt{4uw - v^2}} \arctan \left( \frac{2tw + v}{\sqrt{4uw - v^2}} \right),$$

- **Identify with difference of LF time  $\Delta x^+ / P^+$  between constituents**
- **Finite range**
- **Measure in Double-Parton Processes**

*Retains conformal invariance of action despite mass scale!*

Superconformal Quantum Mechanics

$$\{\psi, \psi^+\} = 1 \quad B = \frac{1}{2}[\psi^+, \psi] = \frac{1}{2}\sigma_3$$

$$\psi = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 - i\sigma_2), \quad \psi^+ = \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_1 + i\sigma_2)$$

$$Q = \psi^+[-\partial_x + \frac{f}{x}], \quad Q^+ = \psi[\partial_x + \frac{f}{x}], \quad S = \psi^+ x, \quad S^+ = \psi x$$

$$\{Q, Q^+\} = 2H, \quad \{S, S^+\} = 2K$$

$$\{Q, S^+\} = f - B + 2iD, \quad \{Q^+, S\} = f - B - 2iD$$

generates conformal algebra

$$[H, D] = iH, \quad [H, K] = 2iD, \quad [K, D] = -iK$$

$$Q \simeq \sqrt{H}, \quad S \simeq \sqrt{K}$$

# Supersymmetric Superconformal QM

(Fubini & Rabinovici, NPB245 (84) 17)

graded algebra of two fermionic operators (super charges)  $Q, Q^\dagger$

$$\{Q, Q\} = 0, \{Q^\dagger, Q^\dagger\} = 0 \text{ with } H = \{Q, Q^\dagger\} \rightarrow [Q, H] = 0, [Q^\dagger, H] = 0$$

minimum **conformal** realization  $\rightarrow$  particle with 2 degrees of freedom with:

$$Q = \psi^\dagger \left( -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{f}{x} \right), \quad Q^\dagger = \psi \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \frac{f}{x} \right) \begin{cases} \psi, \psi^\dagger \text{ spinor operators with} \\ \{\psi^\dagger, \psi\} = I, [\psi^\dagger, \psi] = \sigma_3 \end{cases}$$

in matrix notation

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -\partial_x + \frac{f}{x} \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q^\dagger = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \partial_x + \frac{f}{x} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$$

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} -\partial_x^2 + \frac{f^2+f}{x^2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\partial_x^2 + \frac{f^2-f}{x^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$H$  operates on two component states

$$|\phi\rangle = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_M \\ \phi_B \end{pmatrix}$$

with same eigenvalue

# Superconformal Quantum Mechanics

**Baryon Equation**  $Q \simeq \sqrt{H}$ ,  $S \simeq \sqrt{K}$

Consider  $R_w = Q + wS$ ;  $w$ : dimensions of mass squared

$$G = \{R_w, R_w^+\} = 2H + 2w^2K + 2wfI - 2wB \quad 2B = \sigma_3$$

Retains Conformal Invariance of Action

*Fubini and Rabinovici*

*New Extended Hamiltonian  $G$  is diagonal:*

$$G_{11} = \left( -\partial_x^2 + w^2x^2 + 2wf - w + \frac{4(f + \frac{1}{2})^2 - 1}{4x^2} \right)$$

$$G_{22} = \left( -\partial_x^2 + w^2x^2 + 2wf + w + \frac{4(f - \frac{1}{2})^2 - 1}{4x^2} \right)$$

Identify  $f - \frac{1}{2} = L_B$ ,  $w = \kappa^2$   $\lambda = \kappa^2$

Eigenvalue of  $G$ :  $M^2(n, L) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1)$

$$\left( -\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(L_B + 1) + \frac{4L_B^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \psi_J^+ = M^2 \psi_J^+ \quad \left. \vphantom{\psi_J^+} \right\}$$

$$\left( -\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2 L_B + \frac{4(L_B + 1)^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \psi_J^- = M^2 \psi_J^- \quad \left. \vphantom{\psi_J^-} \right\}$$

$$M^2(n, L_B) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1) \quad \mathbf{S=1/2, P=+}$$

## Meson Equation

$$\lambda = \kappa^2$$

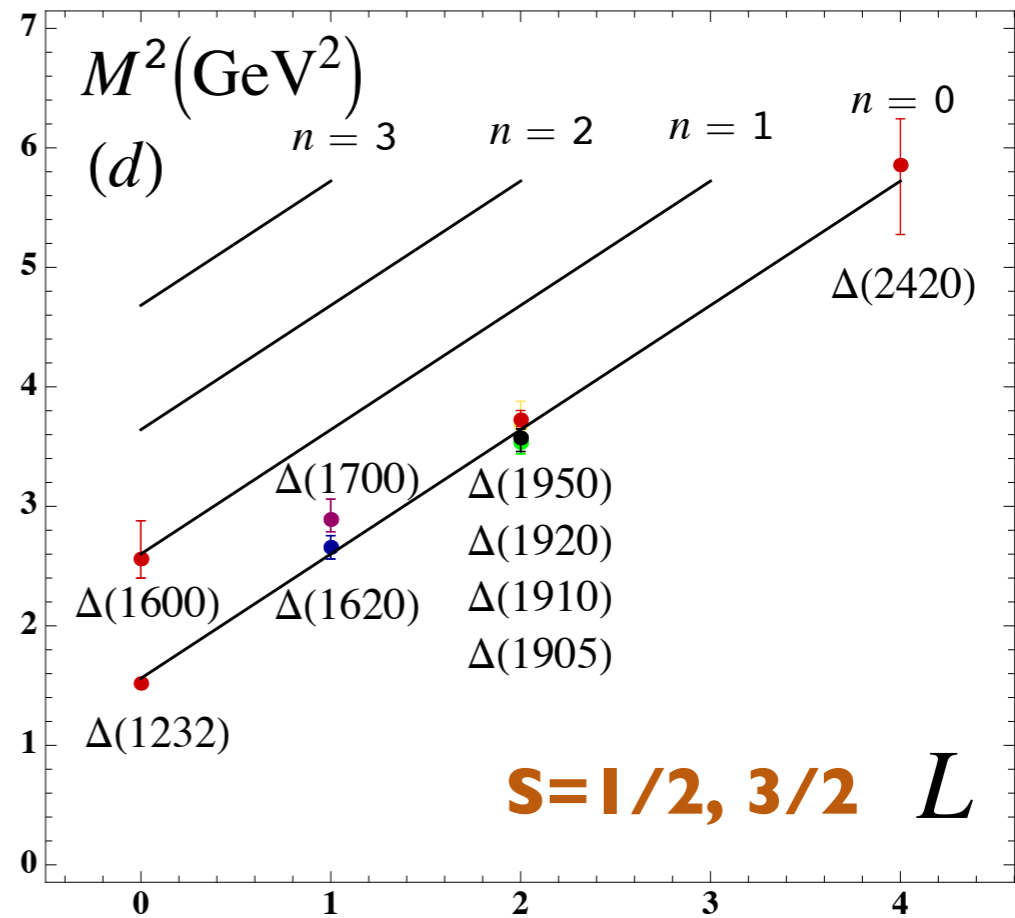
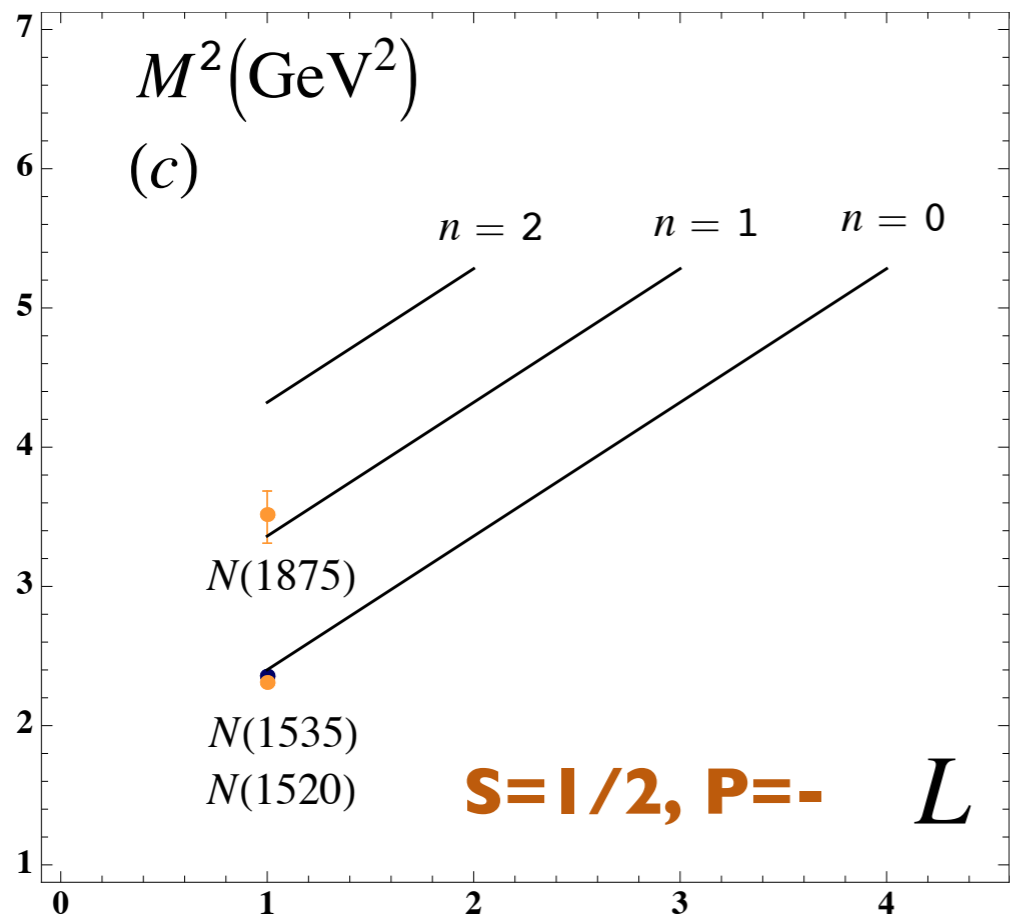
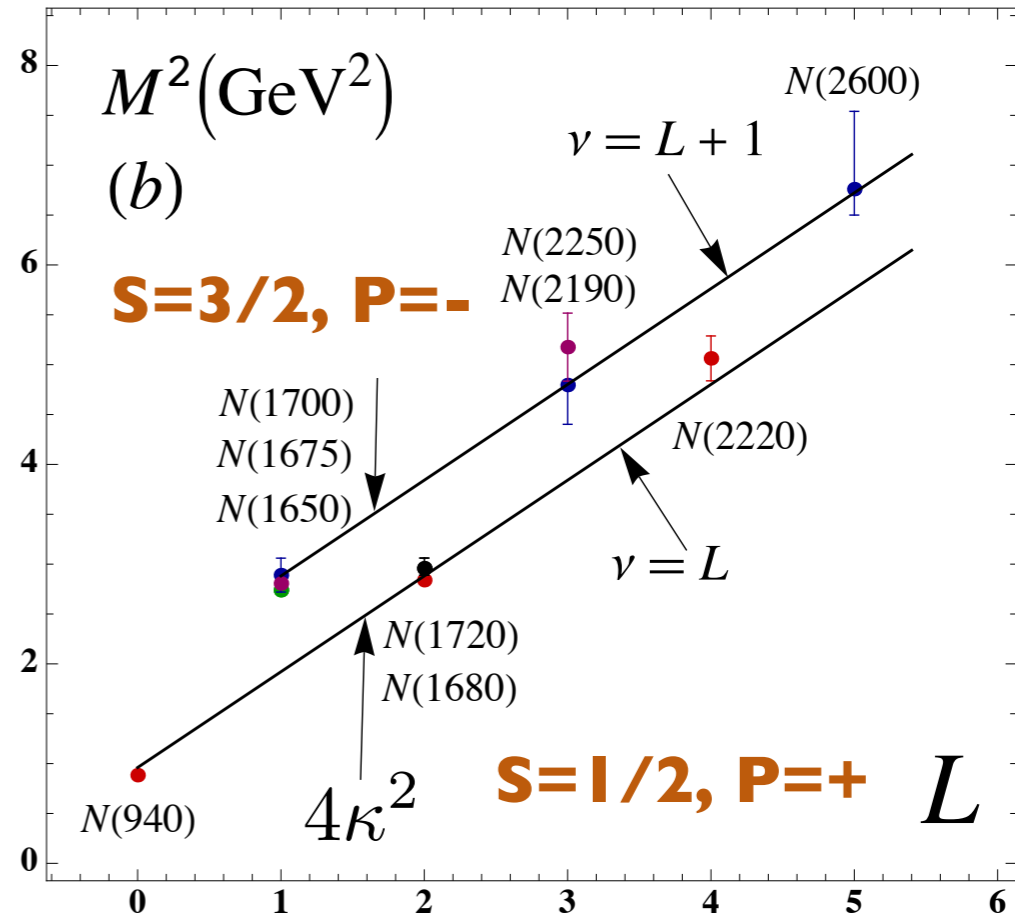
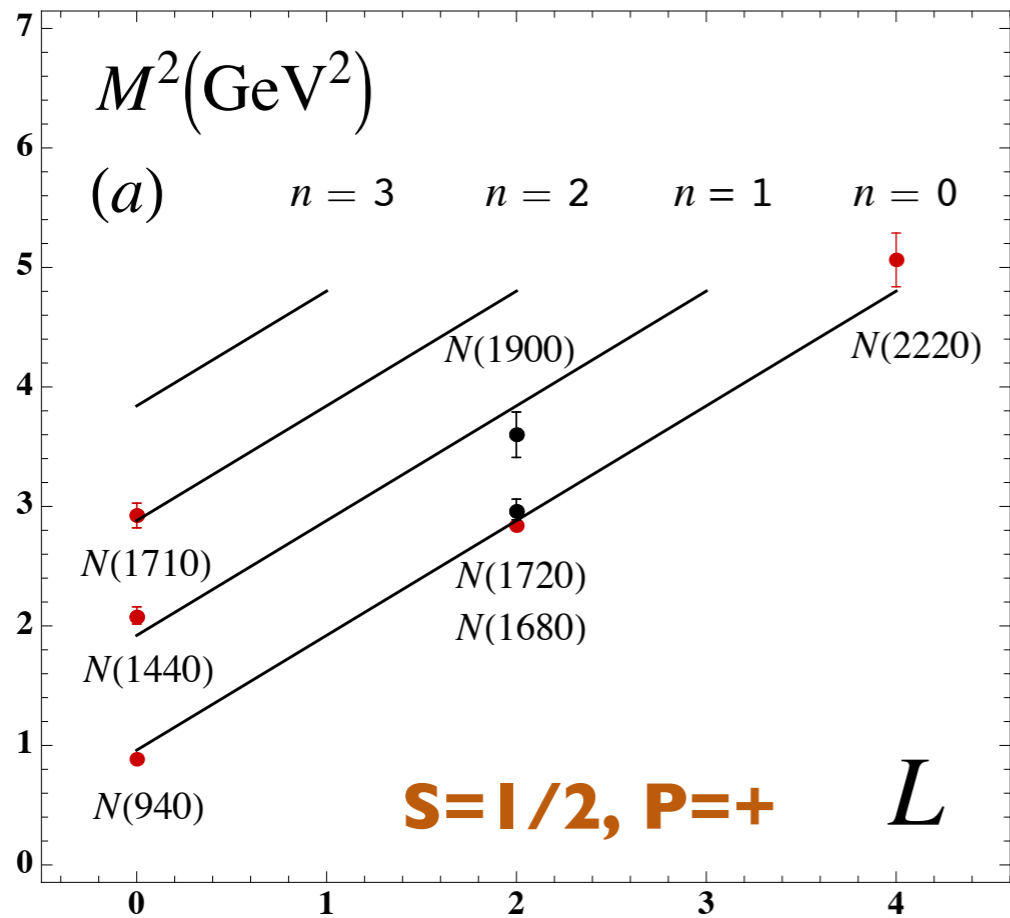
$$\left( -\partial_{\zeta}^2 + \kappa^4 \zeta^2 + 2\kappa^2(J - 1) + \frac{4L_M^2 - 1}{4\zeta^2} \right) \phi_J = M^2 \phi_J$$

$$M^2(n, L_M) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_M) \quad \mathbf{S=0, P=+}$$

*Same  $\kappa$ !*

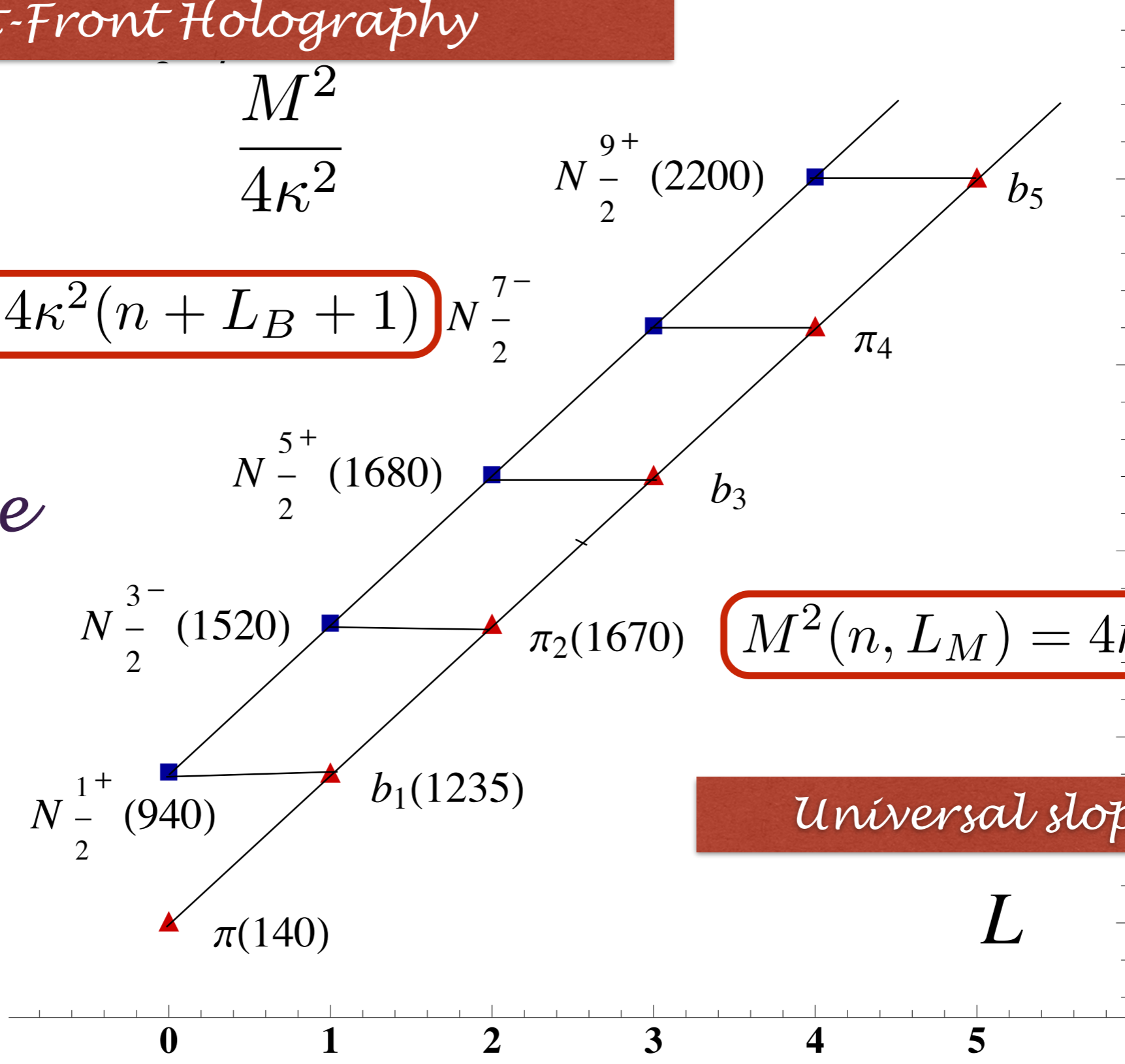
**$S=0, I=I$  Meson is superpartner of  $S=1/2, I=I$  Baryon**  
**Meson-Baryon Degeneracy for  $L_M=L_B+1$**





$$M^2(n, L_B) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_B + 1)$$

*Same slope*



$$M^2(n, L_M) = 4\kappa^2(n + L_M)$$

*Universal slopes in  $n, L$*

$$\frac{M_{meson}^2}{M_{nucleon}^2} = \frac{n + L_M}{n + L_B + 1}$$

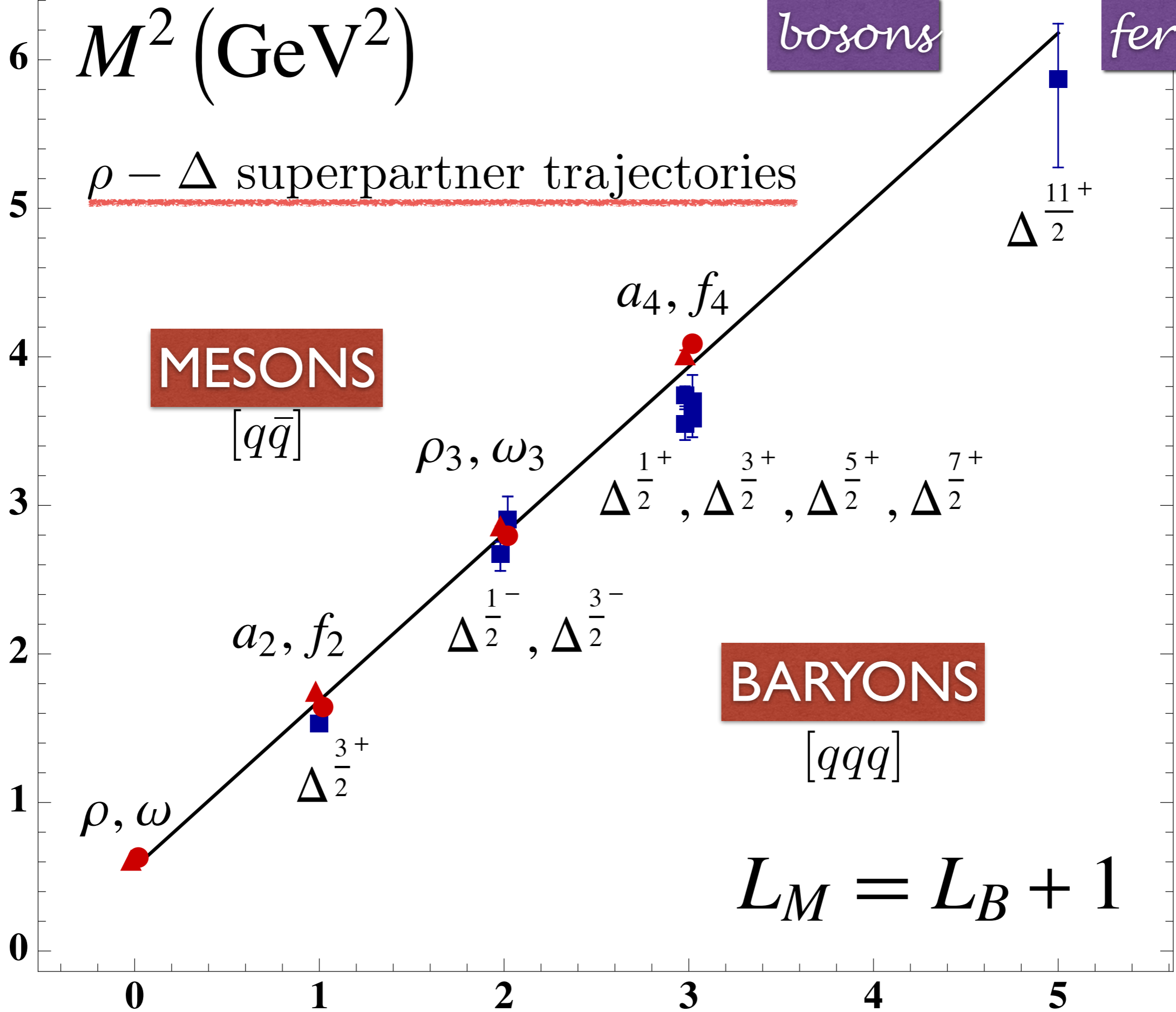
**Meson-Baryon  
Mass Degeneracy  
for  $L_M=L_B+1$**

$M^2$  (GeV<sup>2</sup>)

bosons

fermions

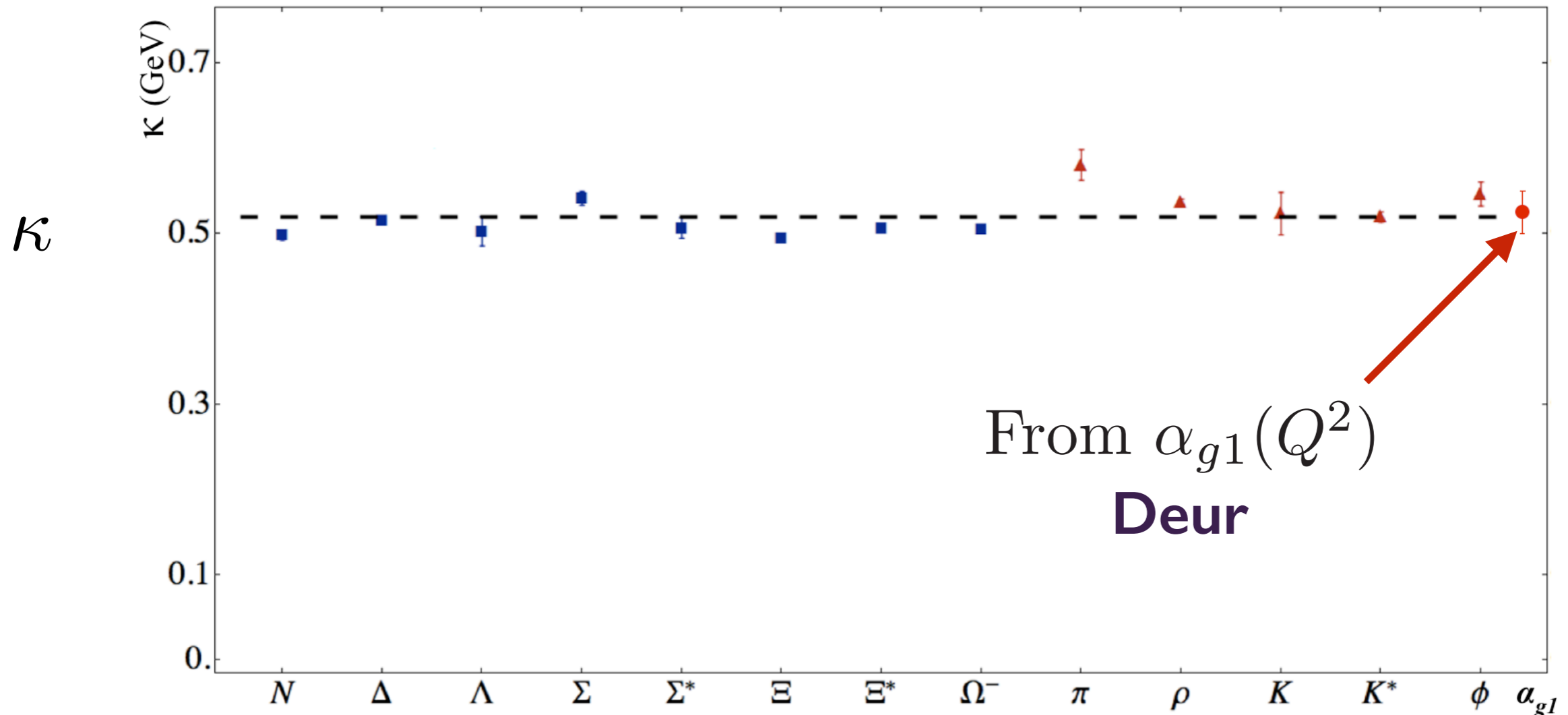
$\rho - \Delta$  superpartner trajectories



$$\lambda = \kappa^2$$

*de Tèramond, Dosch, Lorce', sjb*

$$m_u = m_d = 46 \text{ MeV}, m_s = 357 \text{ MeV}$$



**Fit to the slope of Regge trajectories,  
including radial excitations**

**Same Regge Slope for Meson, Baryons:  
Supersymmetric feature of hadron physics**

- Compute Dirac proton form factor using SU(6) flavor symmetry

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} V(Q, z) \Psi_+^2(z)$$

- Nucleon AdS wave function

$$\Psi_+(z) = \frac{\kappa^{2+L}}{R^2} \sqrt{\frac{2n!}{(n+L)!}} z^{7/2+L} L_n^{L+1}(\kappa^2 z^2) e^{-\kappa^2 z^2/2}$$

- Normalization ( $F_1^p(0) = 1$ ,  $V(Q=0, z) = 1$ )

$$R^4 \int \frac{dz}{z^4} \Psi_+^2(z) = 1$$

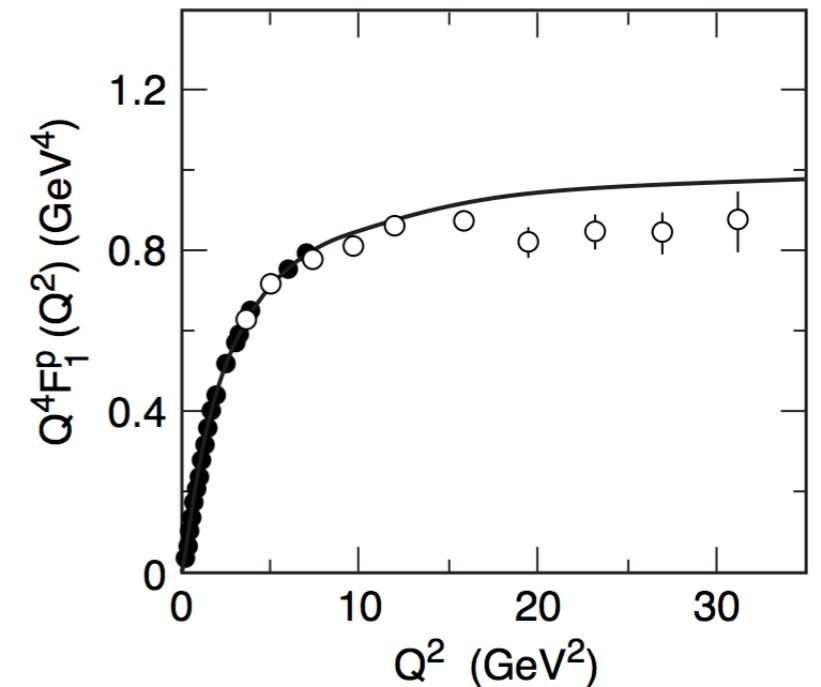
- Bulk-to-boundary propagator [Grigoryan and Radyushkin (2007)]

$$V(Q, z) = \kappa^2 z^2 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{(1-x)^2} x^{\frac{Q^2}{4\kappa^2}} e^{-\kappa^2 z^2 x/(1-x)}$$

- Find

$$F_1^p(Q^2) = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_\rho^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{Q^2}{\mathcal{M}_{\rho'}^2}\right)}$$

with  $\mathcal{M}_{\rho_n}^2 \rightarrow 4\kappa^2(n + 1/2)$





## Space-Like Dirac Proton Form Factor

- Consider the spin non-flip form factors

$$F_+(Q^2) = g_+ \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

$$F_-(Q^2) = g_- \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_-(\zeta)|^2,$$

where the effective charges  $g_+$  and  $g_-$  are determined from the spin-flavor structure of the theory.

- Choose the struck quark to have  $S^z = +1/2$ . The two AdS solutions  $\psi_+(\zeta)$  and  $\psi_-(\zeta)$  correspond to nucleons with  $J^z = +1/2$  and  $-1/2$ .
- For  $SU(6)$  spin-flavor symmetry

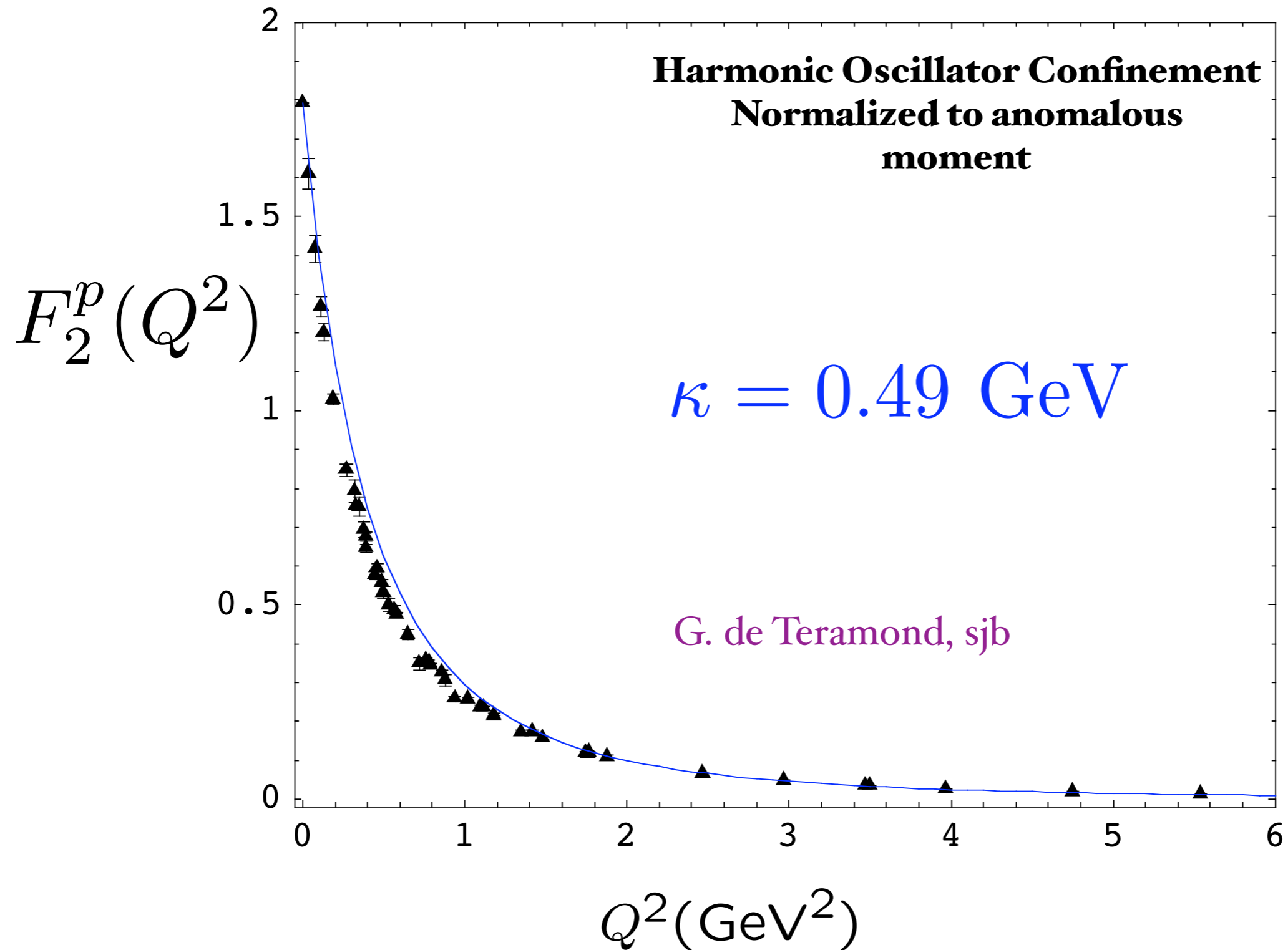
$$F_1^p(Q^2) = \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) |\psi_+(\zeta)|^2,$$

$$F_1^n(Q^2) = -\frac{1}{3} \int d\zeta J(Q, \zeta) [|\psi_+(\zeta)|^2 - |\psi_-(\zeta)|^2],$$

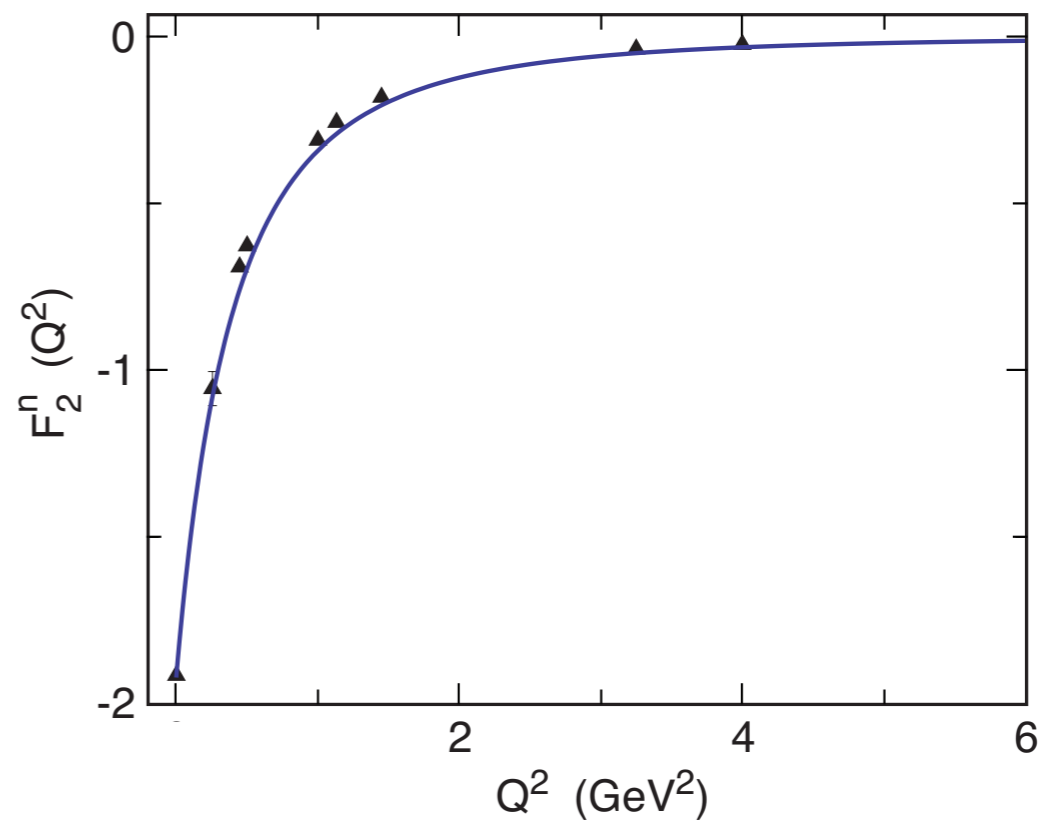
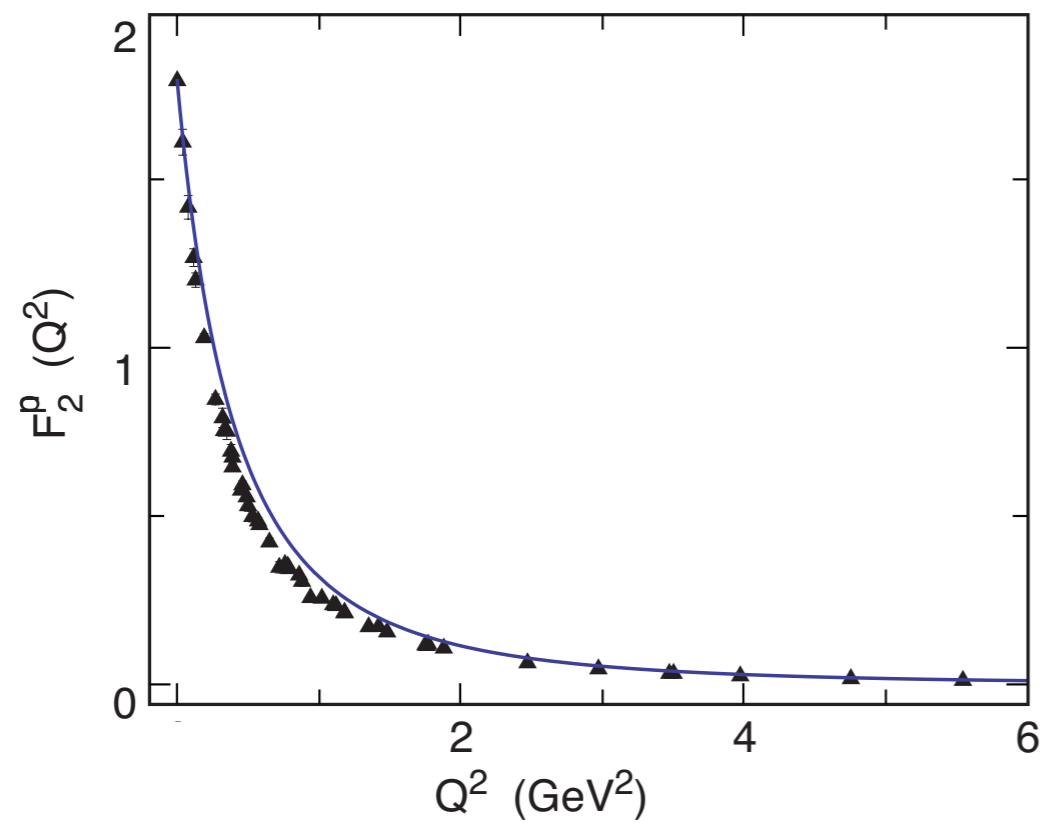
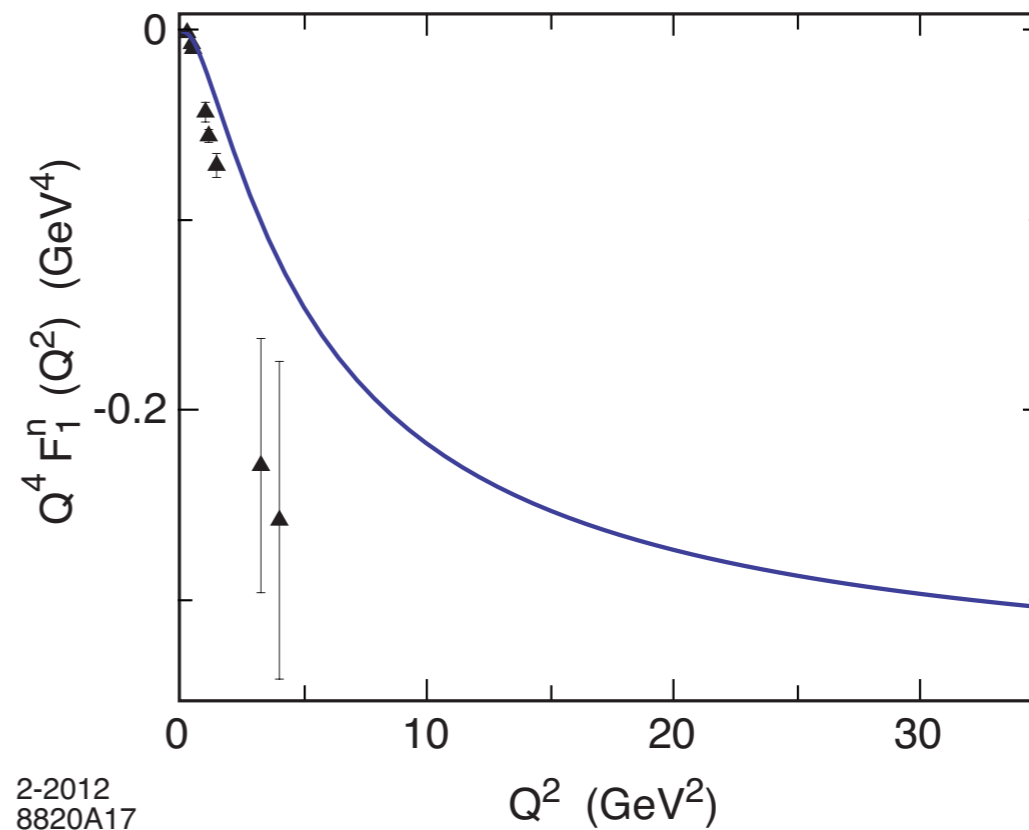
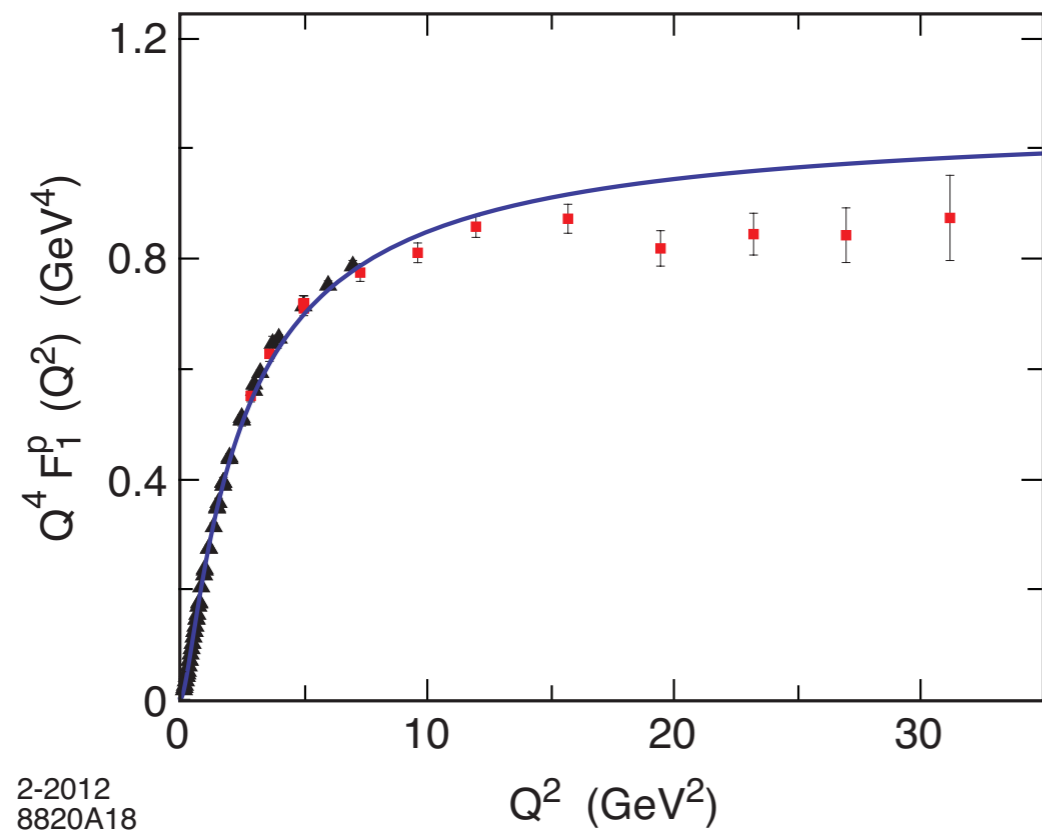
where  $F_1^p(0) = 1$ ,  $F_1^n(0) = 0$ .

# Spacelike Pauli Form Factor

From overlap of  $L = 1$  and  $L = 0$  LFWFs



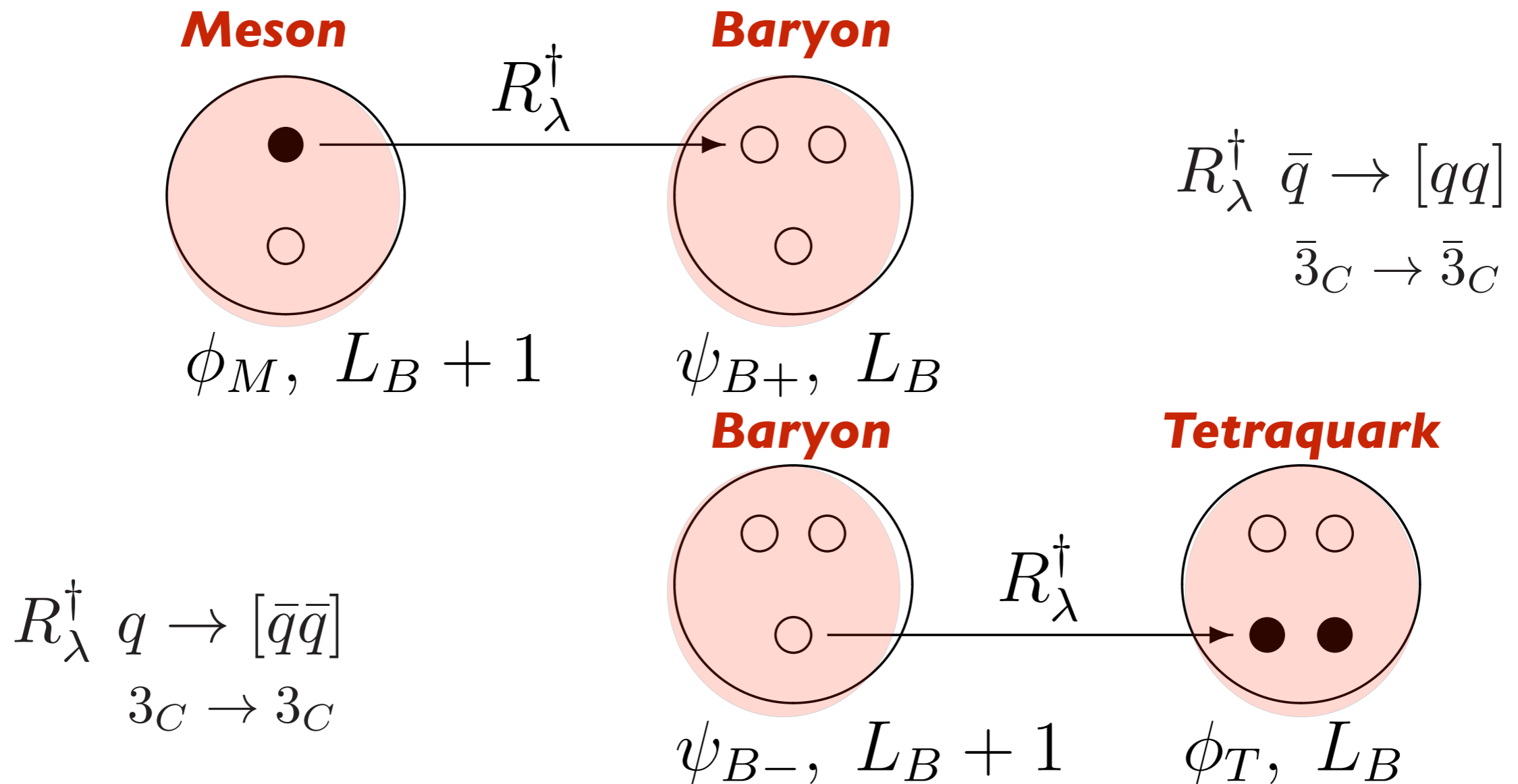
Using  $SU(6)$  flavor symmetry and normalization to static quantities



# Superconformal Algebra

## 2X2 Hadronic Multiplets

Bosons, Fermions with Equal Mass!



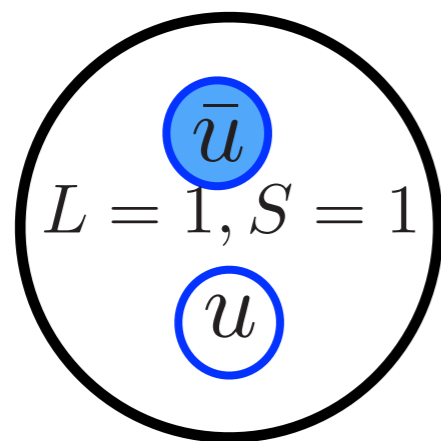
Proton:  $|u[ud]\rangle$  Quark + Scalar Diquark  
 Equal Weight:  $L=0, L=1$

# Superconformal Algebra 4-Plet

$$R_\lambda^\dagger \begin{matrix} \bar{q} \rightarrow (qq) \\ \bar{3}_C \rightarrow \bar{3}_C \end{matrix} S = 1$$

Vector ( ) + Scalar [ ] Diquarks

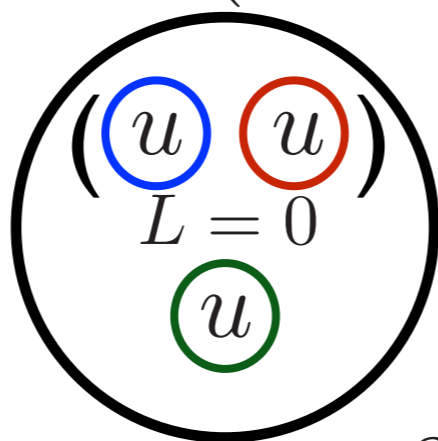
$f_2(1270)$



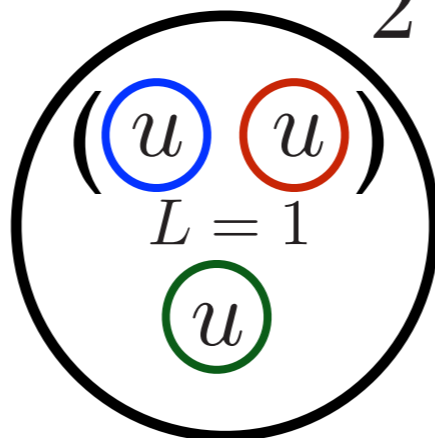
$$J^{PC} = 2^{++}$$

**Meson**

$\Delta^+(1232)$



$$J^P = \frac{3}{2}^+$$

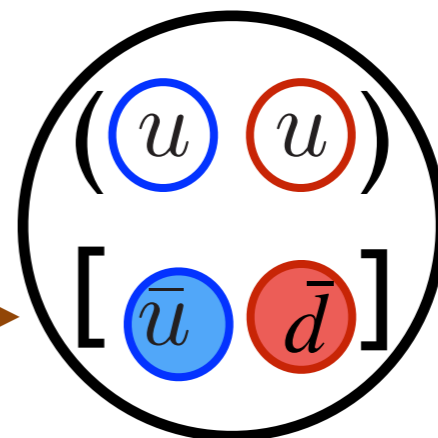


**Baryon**

**Tetraquark**

$$J^{PC} = 1^{++}$$

$a_1(1260)$



$$S = 0$$

$$L = 0$$

$$R_\lambda^\dagger \begin{matrix} q \rightarrow [\bar{q}\bar{q}] \\ 3_C \rightarrow 3_C \end{matrix}$$



Meson			Baryon			Tetraquark		
$q\text{-cont}$	$J^{P(C)}$	Name	$q\text{-cont}$	$J^P$	Name	$q\text{-cont}$	$J^{P(C)}$	Name
$\bar{q}q$	$0^{-+}$	$\pi(140)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{q}q$	$1^{+-}$	$h_1(1170)$	$[ud]q$	$(1/2)^+$	$N(940)$	$[ud][\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$0^{++}$	$\sigma(500)$
$\bar{q}q$	$2^{-+}$	$\eta_2(1645)$	$[ud]q$	$(3/2)^-$	$N_{\frac{3}{2}}(1520)$	$[ud][\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$1^{-+}$	—
$\bar{q}q$	$1^{--}$	$\rho(770), \omega(780)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{q}q$	$2^{++}$	$a_2(1320), f_2(1270)$	$(qq)q$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Delta(1232)$	$(qq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$1^{++}$	$a_1(1260)$
$qq$	$3$	$\rho_3(1690), \omega_3(1670)$	$(qq)q$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Delta_{\frac{3}{2}}(1700)$	$(qq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$1^{-+}$	$\pi_1(1600)$
$\bar{q}q$	$4^{++}$	$a_4(2040), f_4(2050)$	$(qq)q$	$(7/2)^+$	$\Delta_{\frac{7}{2}}(1950)$	$(qq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	—	—
$\bar{q}s$	$0^-$	$K(495)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{q}s$	$1^+$	$\bar{K}_1(1270)$	$[ud]s$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Lambda(1115)$	$[ud][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$0^+$	$K_0^*(1430)$
$\bar{q}s$	$2^-$	$K_2(1770)$	$[ud]s$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Lambda(1520)$	$[ud][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$1^-$	—
$\bar{s}q$	$0^-$	$K(495)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}q$	$1^+$	$K_1(1270)$	$[sq]q$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Sigma(1190)$	$[sq][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$0^{++}$	$a_0(980)$ $f_0(980)$
$\bar{s}q$	$1^-$	$K^*(890)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}q$	$2^+$	$K_2^*(1430)$	$(sq)q$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Sigma(1385)$	$(sq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$1^+$	$K_1(1400)$
$\bar{s}q$	$3^-$	$K_3^*(1780)$	$(sq)q$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Sigma(1670)$	$(sq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$2^-$	$K_2(1820)$
$\bar{s}q$	$4^+$	$K_4^*(2045)$	$(sq)q$	$(7/2)^+$	$\Sigma(2030)$	$(sq)[\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	—	—
$\bar{s}s$	$0^{-+}$	$\eta'(958)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}s$	$1^{+-}$	$h_1(1380)$	$[sq]s$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Xi(1320)$	$[sq][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$0^{++}$	$f_0(1370)$ $a_0(1450)$
$\bar{s}s$	$2^{-+}$	$\eta_2(1870)$	$[sq]s$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Xi(1620)$	$[sq][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$1^{-+}$	—
$\bar{s}s$	$1^{--}$	$\Phi(1020)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}s$	$2^{++}$	$f_2'(1525)$	$(sq)s$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Xi^*(1530)$	$(sq)[\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$1^{++}$	$f_1(1420)$ $a_1(1420)$
$\bar{s}s$	$3^{--}$	$\Phi_3(1850)$	$(sq)s$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Xi(1820)$	$(sq)[\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	—	—
$\bar{s}s$	$2^{++}$	$f_2(1640)$	$(ss)s$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Omega(1672)$	$(ss)[\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$1^+$	$K_1(1650)$

Meson

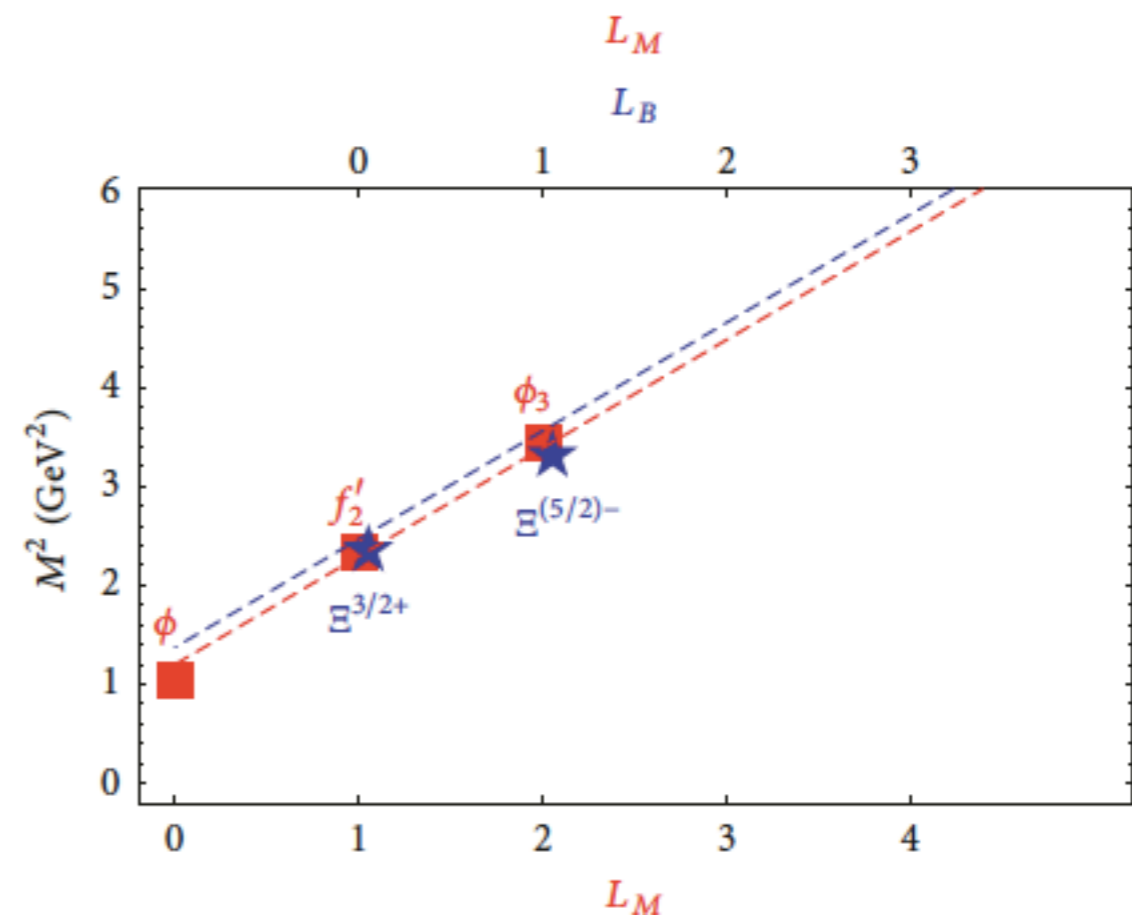
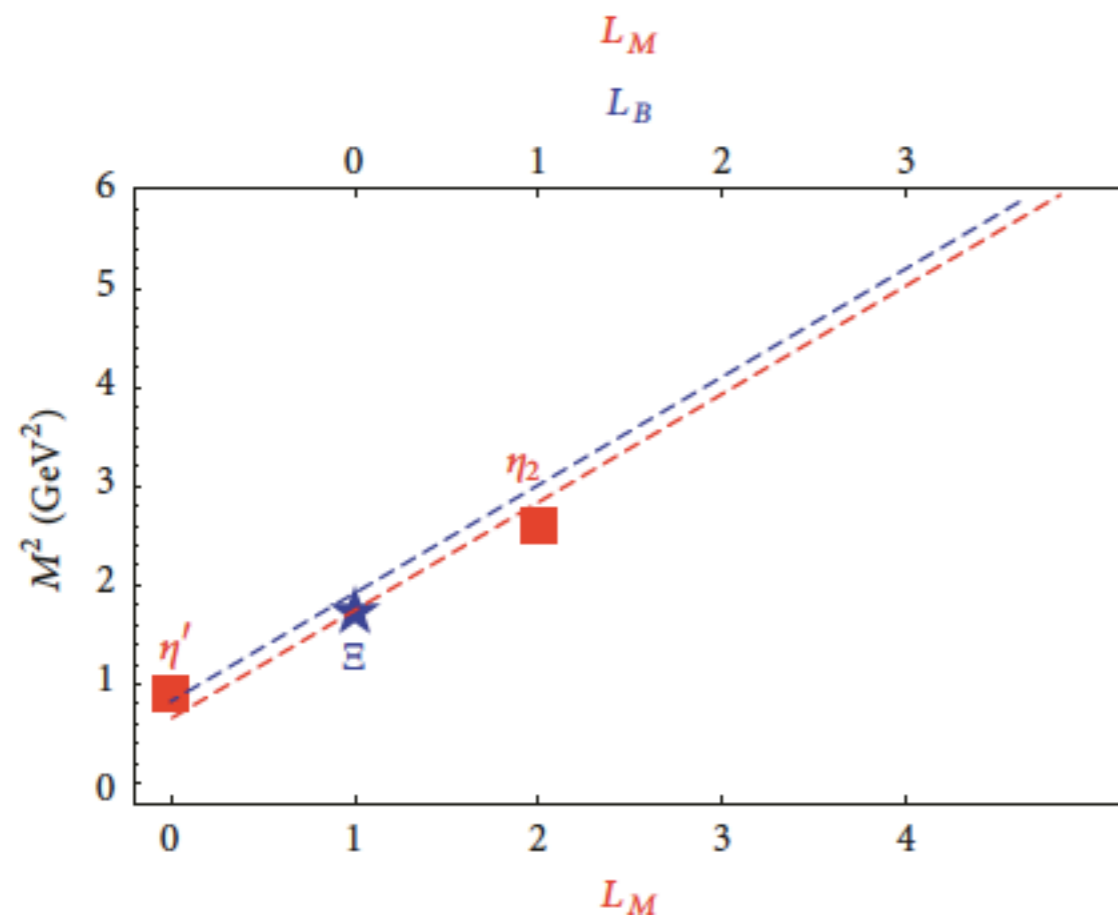
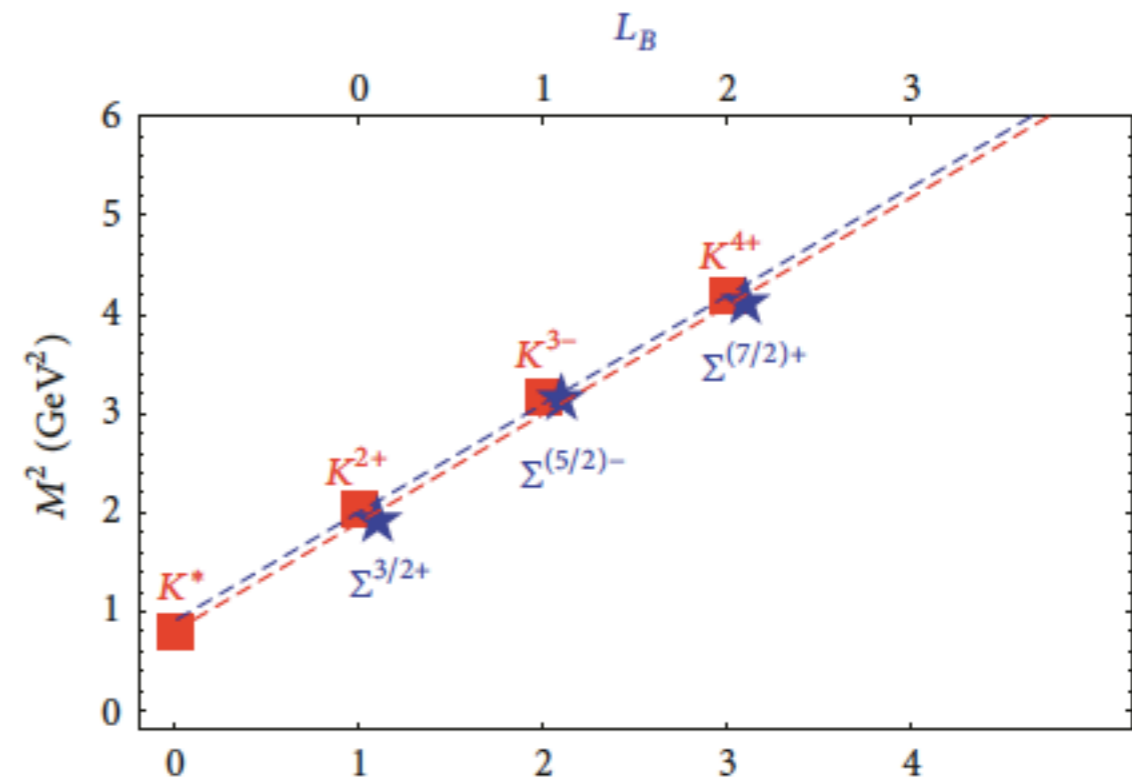
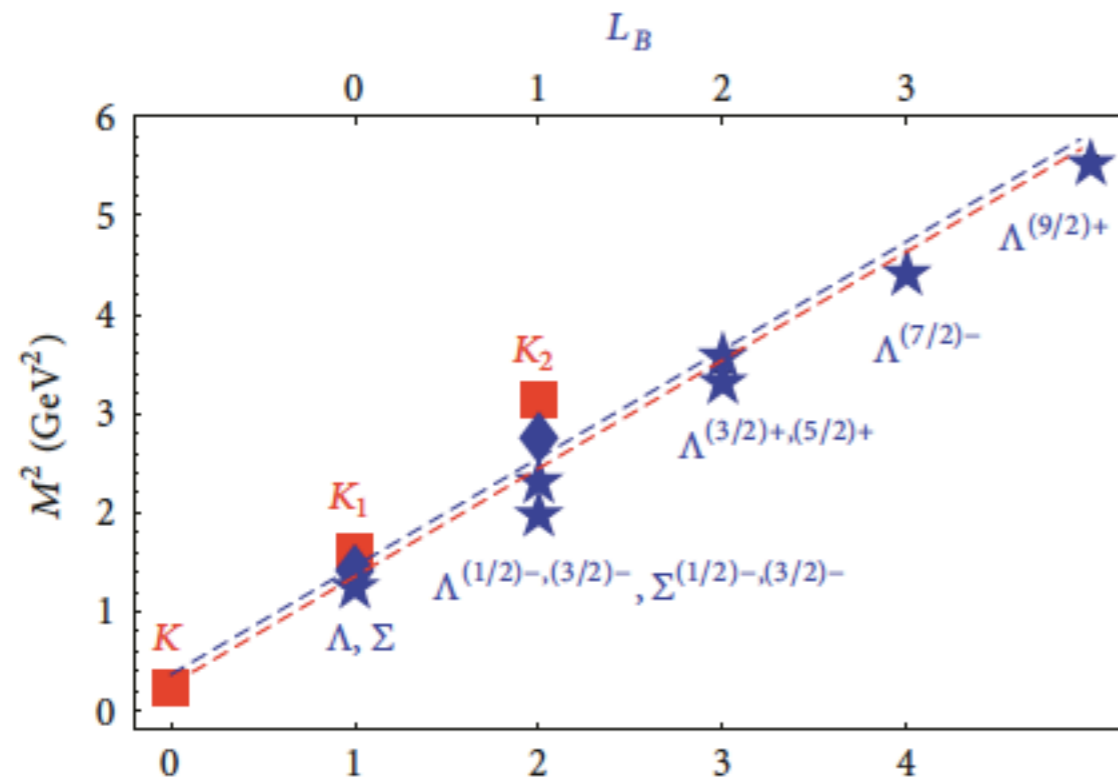
Baryon

Tetraquark

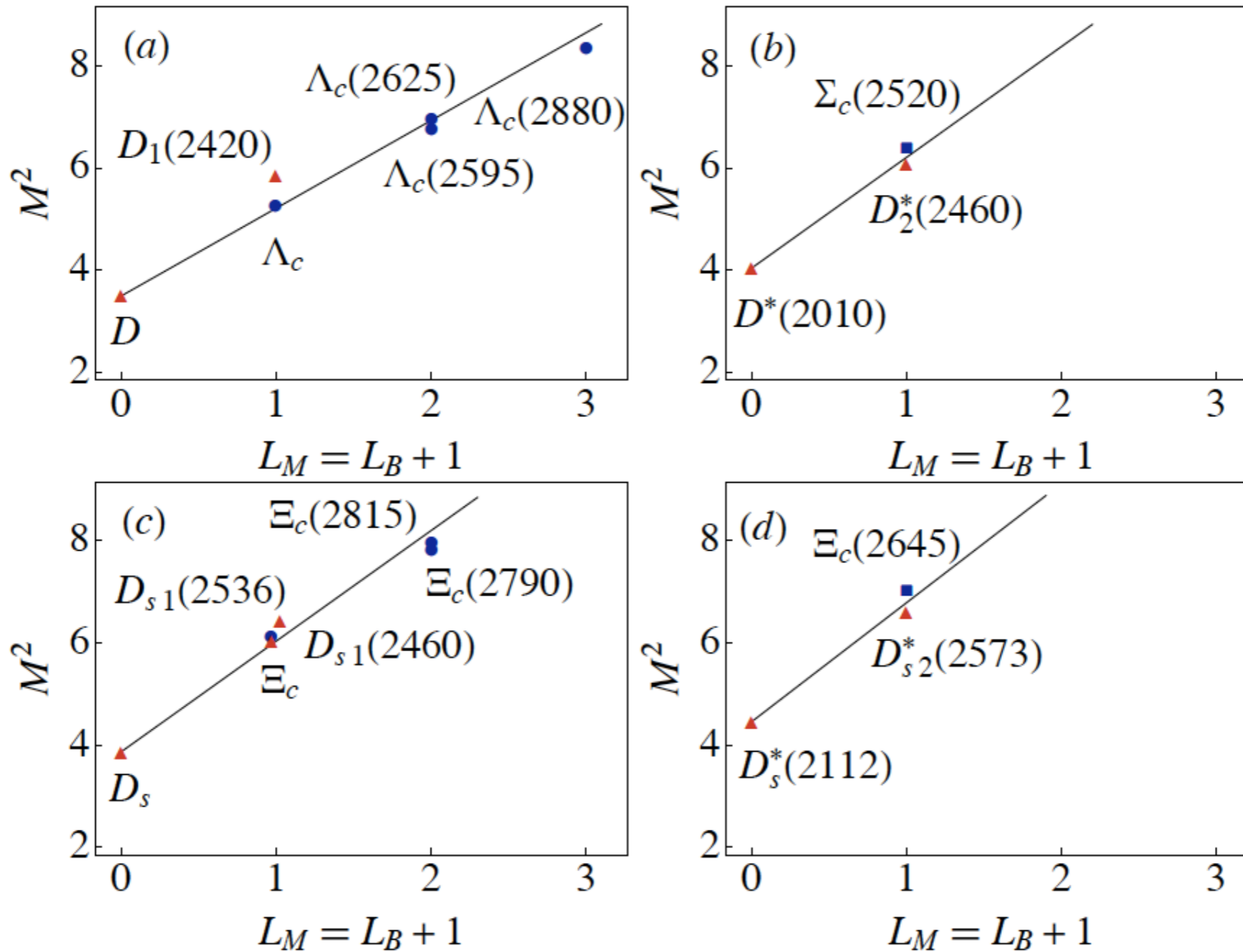
*New Organization of the Hadron Spectrum*

*M. Nielsen,  
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# Supersymmetry across the light and heavy-light spectrum



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**Heavy charm quark mass does not break supersymmetry**



# Superpartners for states with one c quark

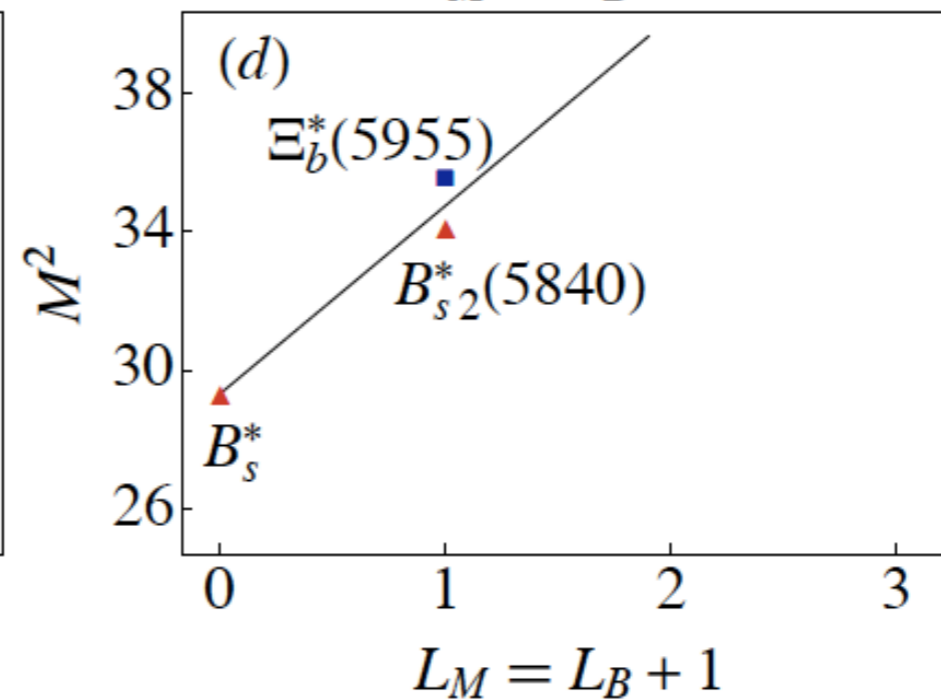
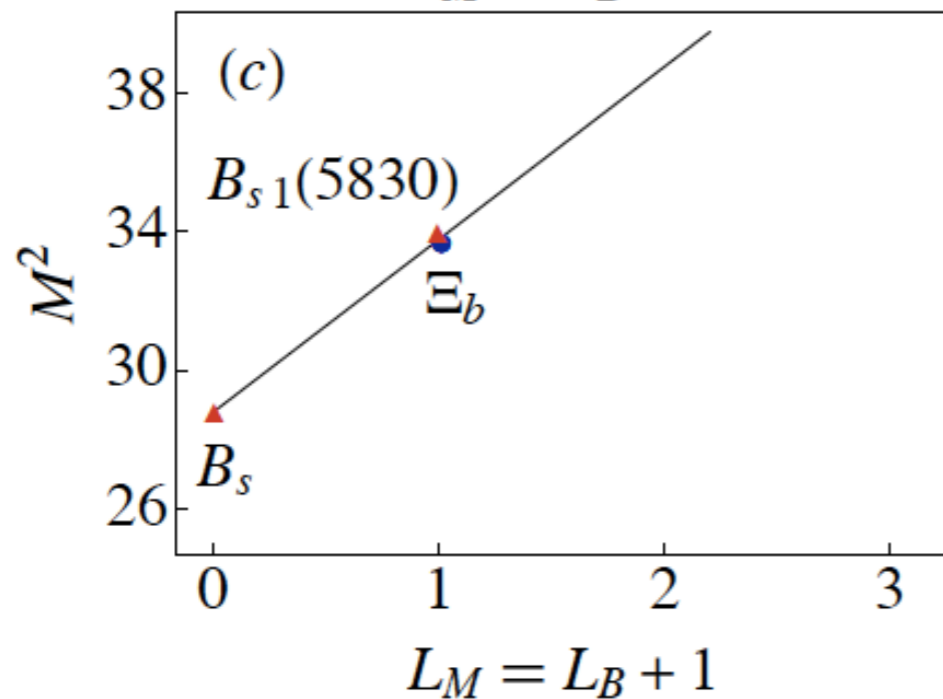
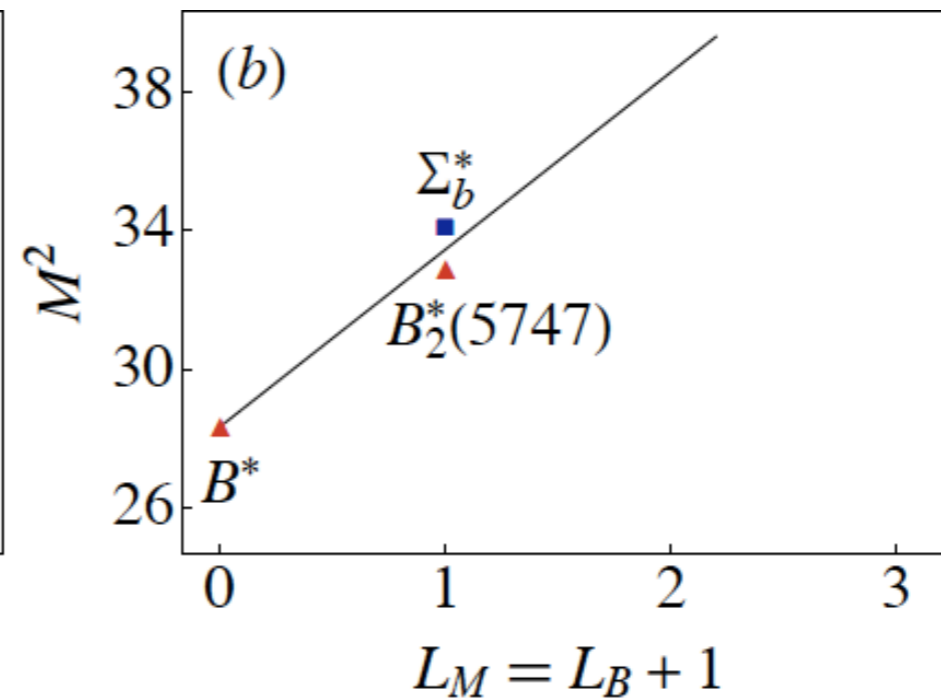
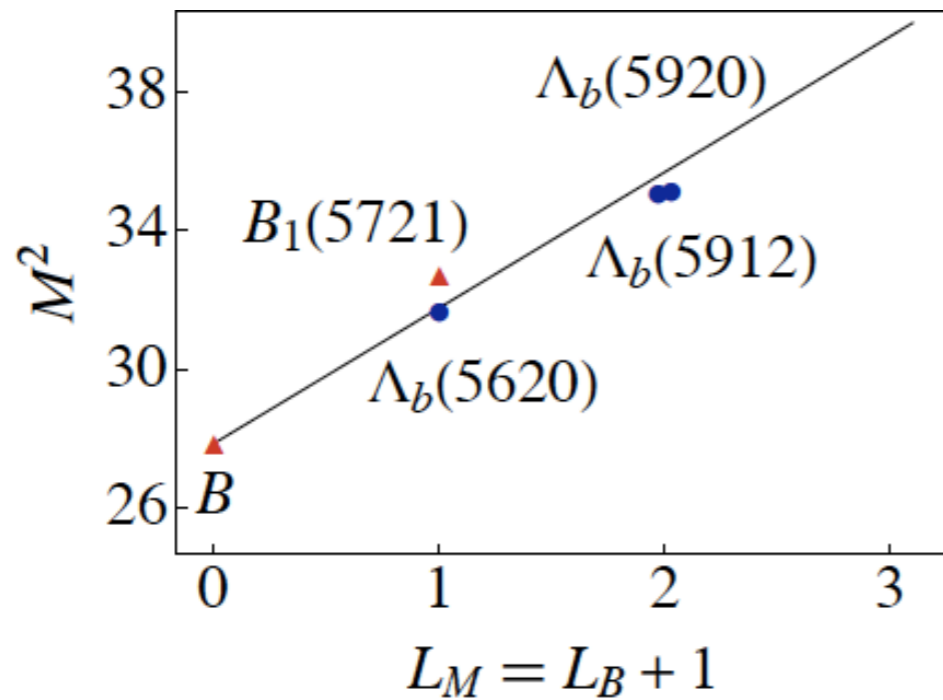
Meson			Baryon			Tetraquark		
$q$ -cont	$J^{P(C)}$	Name	$q$ -cont	$J^P$	Name	$q$ -cont	$J^{P(C)}$	Name
$\bar{q}c$	$0^-$	$D(1870)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{q}c$	$1^+$	$D_1(2420)$	$[ud]c$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Lambda_c(2290)$	$[ud][\bar{c}\bar{q}]$	$0^+$	$\bar{D}_0^*(2400)$
$\bar{q}c$	$2^-$	$D_J(2600)$	$[ud]c$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Lambda_c(2625)$	$[ud][\bar{c}\bar{q}]$	$1^-$	—
$\bar{c}q$	$0^-$	$\bar{D}(1870)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{c}q$	$1^+$	$\bar{D}_1(2420)$	$[cq]q$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Sigma_c(2455)$	$[cq][\bar{u}\bar{d}]$	$0^+$	$D_0^*(2400)$
$\bar{q}c$	$1^-$	$D^*(2010)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{q}c$	$2^+$	$D_2^*(2460)$	$(qq)c$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Sigma_c^*(2520)$	$(qq)[\bar{c}\bar{q}]$	$1^+$	$D(2550)$
$\bar{q}c$	$3^-$	$D_3^*(2750)$	$(qq)c$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Sigma_c(2800)$	$(qq)[\bar{c}\bar{q}]$	—	—
$\bar{s}c$	$0^-$	$D_s(1968)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}c$	$1^+$	$D_{s1}(2460)$	$[qs]c$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Xi_c(2470)$	$[qs][\bar{c}\bar{q}]$	$0^+$	$\bar{D}_{s0}^*(2317)$
$\bar{s}c$	$2^-$	$D_{s2}(\sim 2860)?$	$[qs]c$	$(3/2)^-$	$\Xi_c(2815)$	$[sq][\bar{c}\bar{q}]$	$1^-$	—
$\bar{s}c$	$1^-$	$D_s^*(2110)$	—	—	—	—	—	—
$\bar{s}c$	$2^+$	$D_{s2}^*(2573)$	$(sq)c$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Xi_c^*(2645)$	$(sq)[\bar{c}\bar{q}]$	$1^+$	$D_{s1}(2536)$
$\bar{c}s$	$1^+$	$\bar{D}_{s1}(\sim 2700)?$	$[cs]s$	$(1/2)^+$	$\Omega_c(2695)$	$[cs][\bar{s}\bar{q}]$	$0^+$	??
$\bar{s}c$	$2^+$	$D_{s2}^*(\sim 2750)?$	$(ss)c$	$(3/2)^+$	$\Omega_c(2770)$	$(ss)[\bar{c}\bar{s}]$	$1^+$	??

M. Nielsen, sjb

predictions

beautiful agreement!

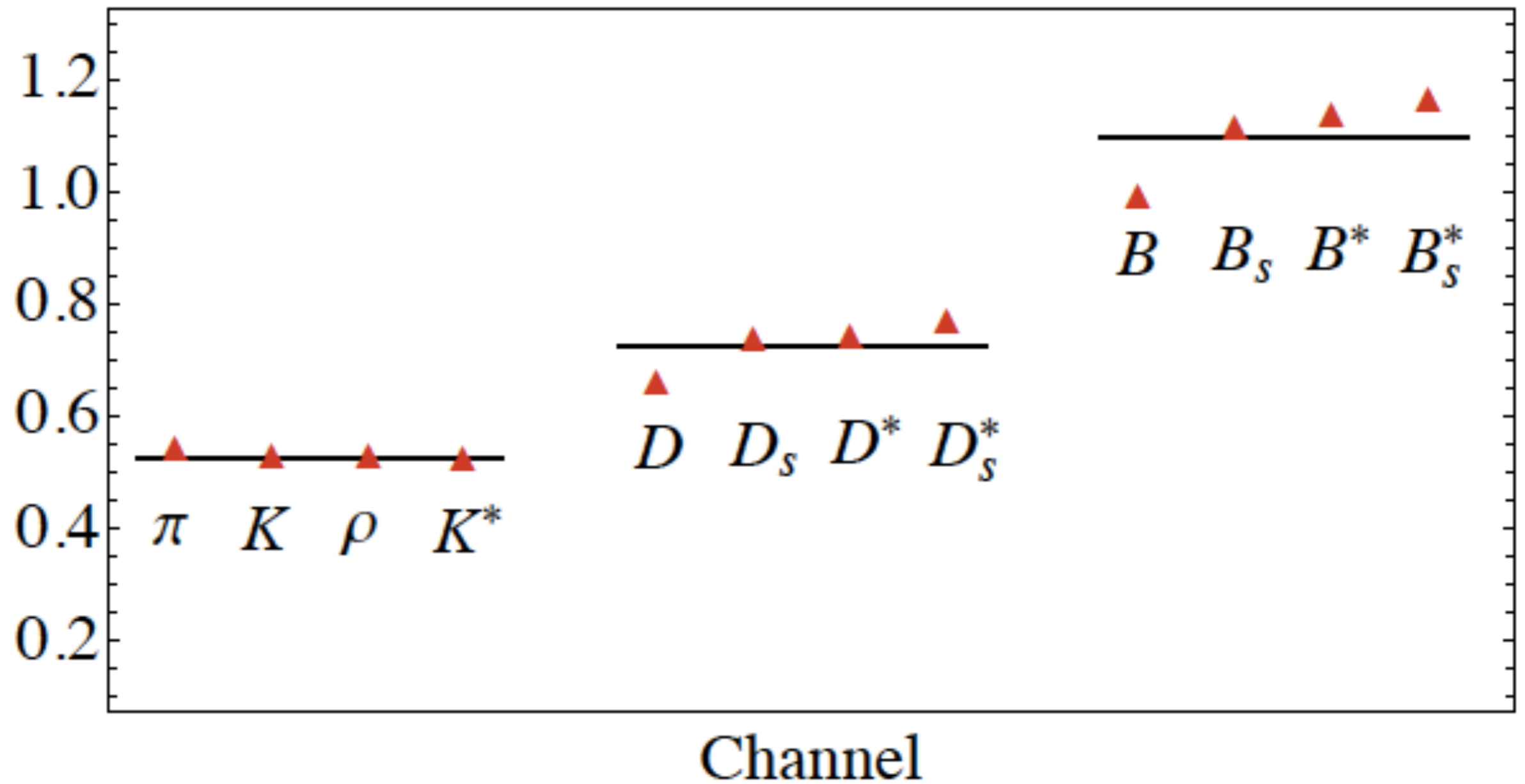
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Heavy bottom quark mass does not break supersymmetry



$\kappa_R(\text{GeV})$

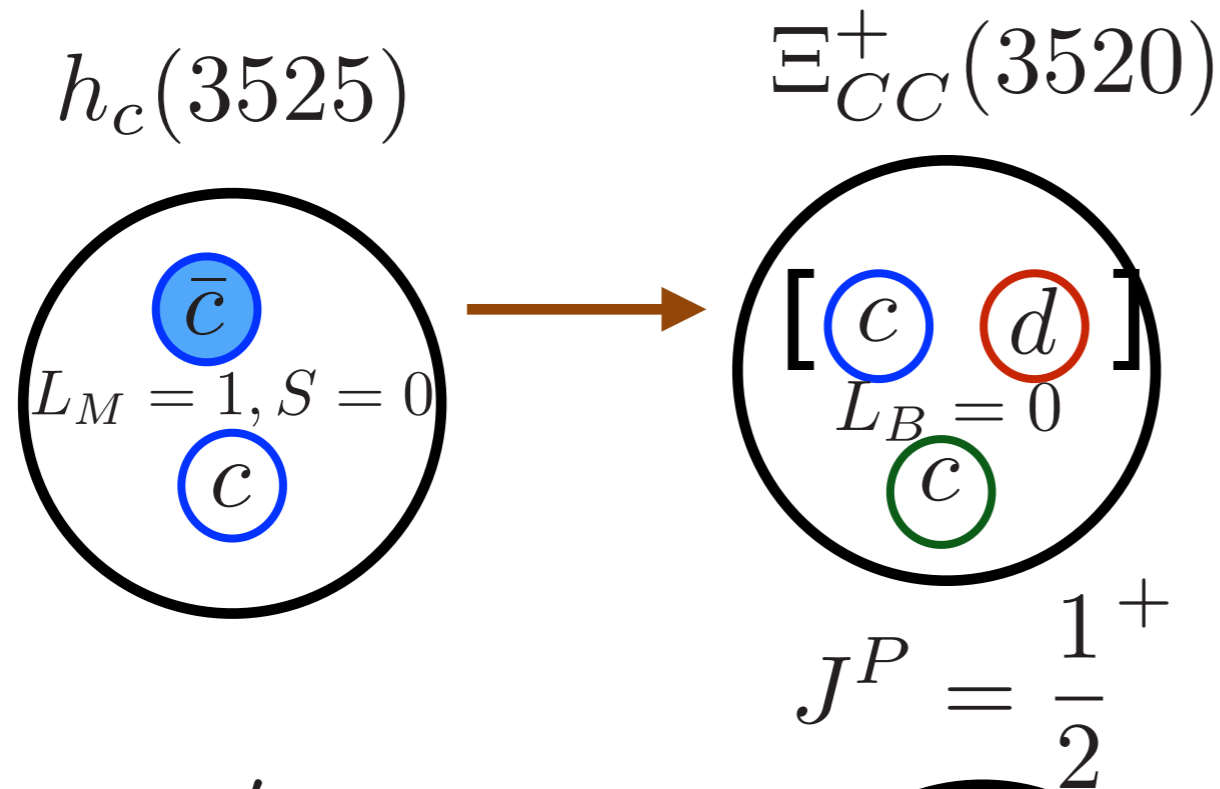


**Regge slope for heavy-light mesons, baryons:  
increases with heavy quark mass**

# Double-Charm Baryon (SELEX)

$$R_\lambda^\dagger \bar{q} \rightarrow [qq] \quad S = 0$$

$$\bar{3}_C \rightarrow \bar{3}_C$$

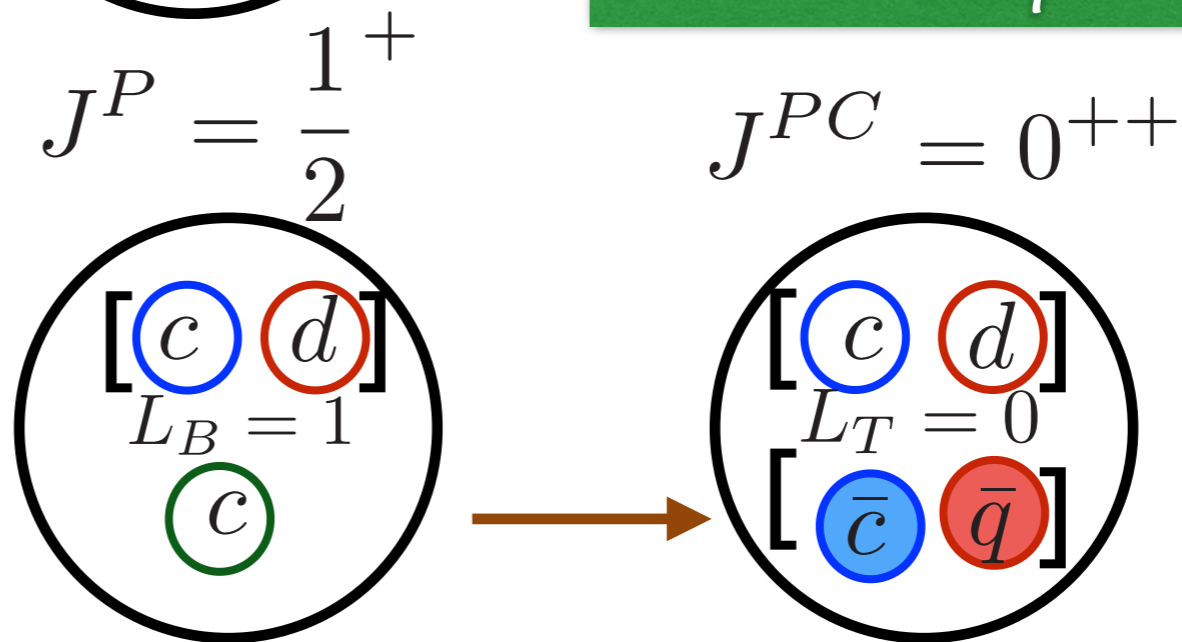


Predict Tetraquark  $T_{c\bar{c}q\bar{q}}$   
 $M_T \sim 3520 \text{ MeV}$

*Scalar Diquarks*

$\eta'_c$

$J^{PC} = 1^{+-}$



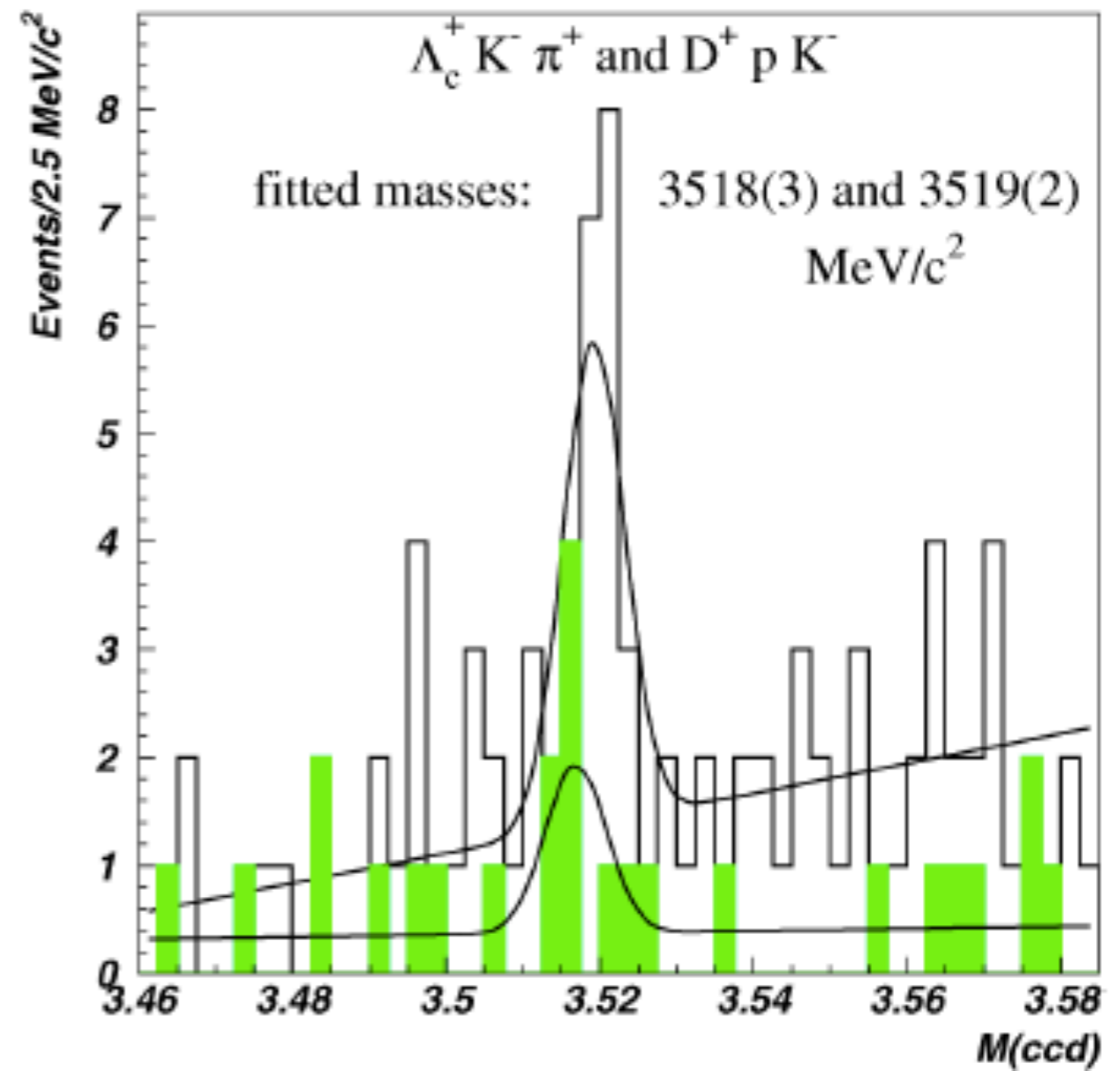
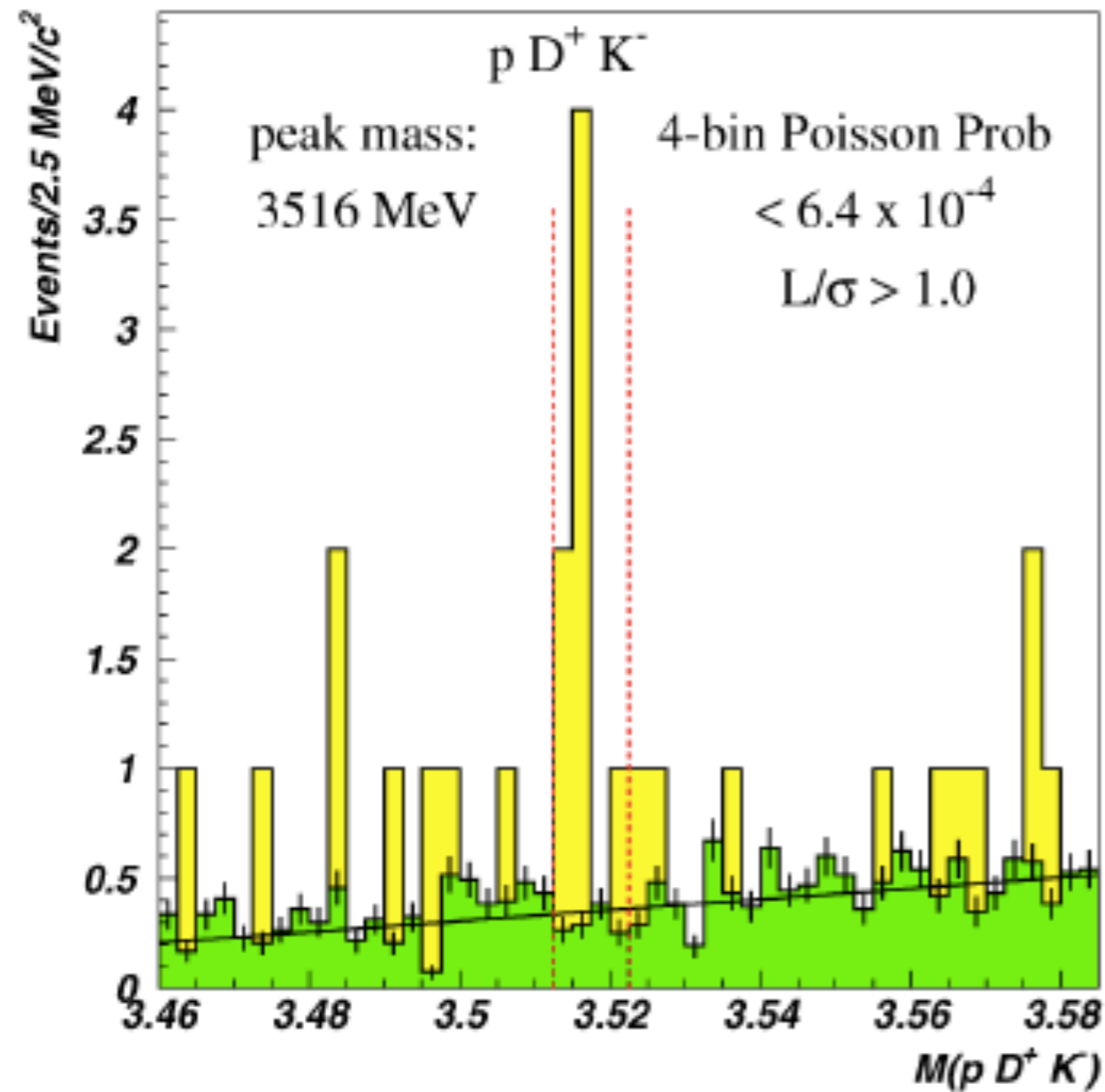
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SELEX ( $3520 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$ )  $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^- \quad |[cd]c \rangle$

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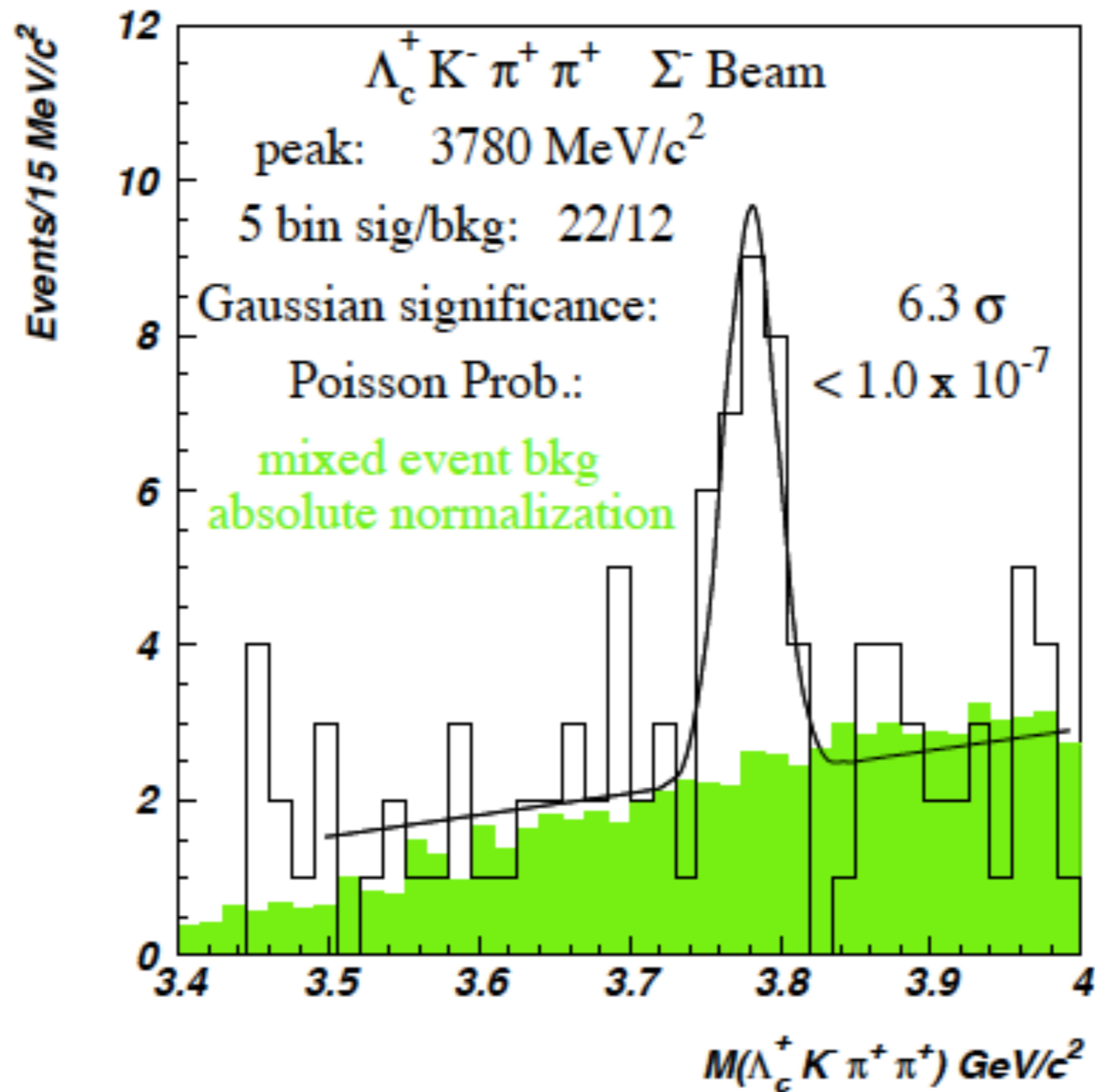
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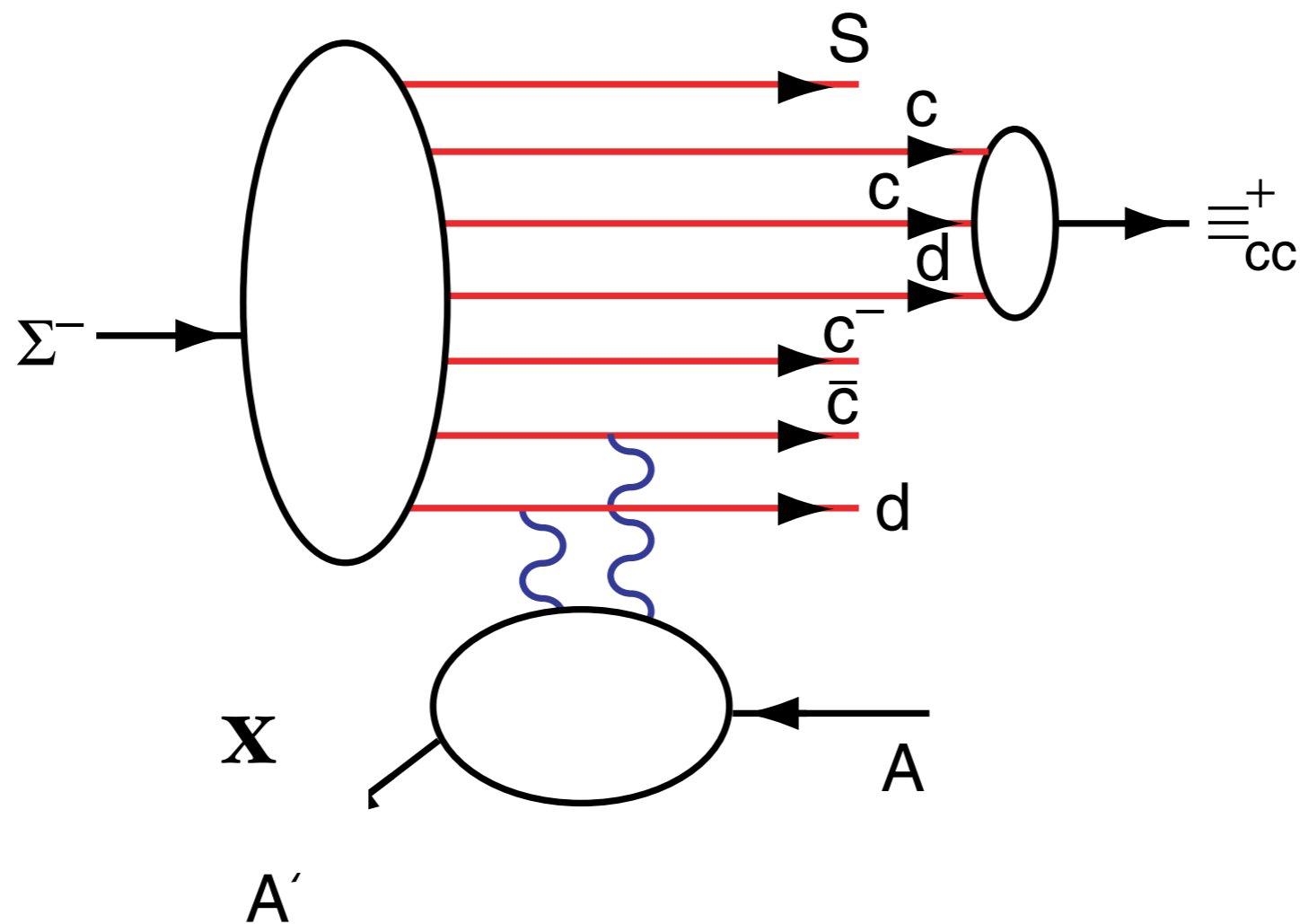
$\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow p D^+ K^-$  mass distribution from Fig. 2(a) with high-statistics measurement of random combinatoric background computed from event-mixing.

Gaussian fits for  $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+$  and  $\Xi_{cc}^+ \rightarrow p D^+ K^-$  (shaded data) on same plot.

## SELEX: Recent Progress in the Analysis of Charm-Strange and Double-Charm Baryons



The  $\Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$  invariant mass distribution, for  $\Sigma^-$  beam only.



# Production of a Double-Charm Baryon

**SELEX high  $x_F$**        $\langle x_F \rangle = 0.33$



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LHCb ( $3621 \pm 1 \text{ MeV}$ )  $J^P = \frac{1}{2}^-$  or  $\frac{3}{2}^-$   $|(cu)c \rangle$

$\Xi_{cc}^{++} \rightarrow \Lambda_c^+ K^- \pi^+ \pi^+$

Groote, Koshkarev, sjb: SELEX& LHCb could both be correct!

*Very different production kinematics:*

*LHCb (central region)*

*SELEX (Forward, High  $x_F$ ) where  $\Lambda_c$ ,  $\Lambda_b$  were discovered*

**NA3: Double  $J/\psi$  Hadroproduction measured at High  $x_F$**

Radiative Decay:

$\text{LHCb}(3621) \rightarrow \text{SELEX}(3520) + \gamma$

strongly suppressed:  $[\frac{100 \text{ MeV}}{M_c}]^7$

**Also: Different diquark structure possible for LHCb:  $|(cc)u \rangle$**

# Underlying Principles

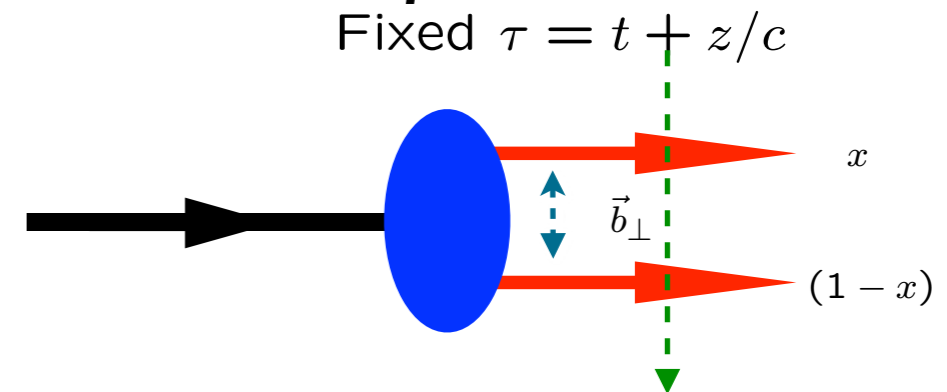
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$$z \leftrightarrow \zeta \text{ where } \zeta^2 = b_{\perp}^2 x(1-x)$$



$$\zeta^2 = x(1-x)b_{\perp}^2$$

- **Single fundamental hadronic mass scale  $\kappa$ : but retains the Conformal Invariance of the Action (dAFF)!**

- **Unique color-confining LF Potential!  $U(\zeta^2) = \kappa^4 \zeta^2$**

- **Superconformal Algebra: Mass Degenerate 4-Plet:**

$$\text{Meson } q\bar{q} \leftrightarrow \text{Baryon } q[qq] \leftrightarrow \text{Tetraquark } [qq][\bar{q}\bar{q}]$$

# Running Coupling from Modified AdS/QCD

Deur, de Teramond, sjb

- Consider five-dim gauge fields propagating in AdS<sub>5</sub> space in dilaton background  $\varphi(z) = \kappa^2 z^2$

$$e^{\phi(z)} = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2} \quad S = -\frac{1}{4} \int d^4x dz \sqrt{g} e^{\varphi(z)} \frac{1}{g_5^2} G^2$$

- Flow equation

$$\frac{1}{g_5^2(z)} = e^{\varphi(z)} \frac{1}{g_5^2(0)} \quad \text{or} \quad g_5^2(z) = e^{-\kappa^2 z^2} g_5^2(0)$$

where the coupling  $g_5(z)$  incorporates the non-conformal dynamics of confinement

- YM coupling  $\alpha_s(\zeta) = g_{YM}^2(\zeta)/4\pi$  is the five dim coupling up to a factor:  $g_5(z) \rightarrow g_{YM}(\zeta)$
- Coupling measured at momentum scale  $Q$

$$\alpha_s^{AdS}(Q) \sim \int_0^\infty \zeta d\zeta J_0(\zeta Q) \alpha_s^{AdS}(\zeta)$$

- Solution

$$\alpha_s^{AdS}(Q^2) = \alpha_s^{AdS}(0) e^{-Q^2/4\kappa^2}$$

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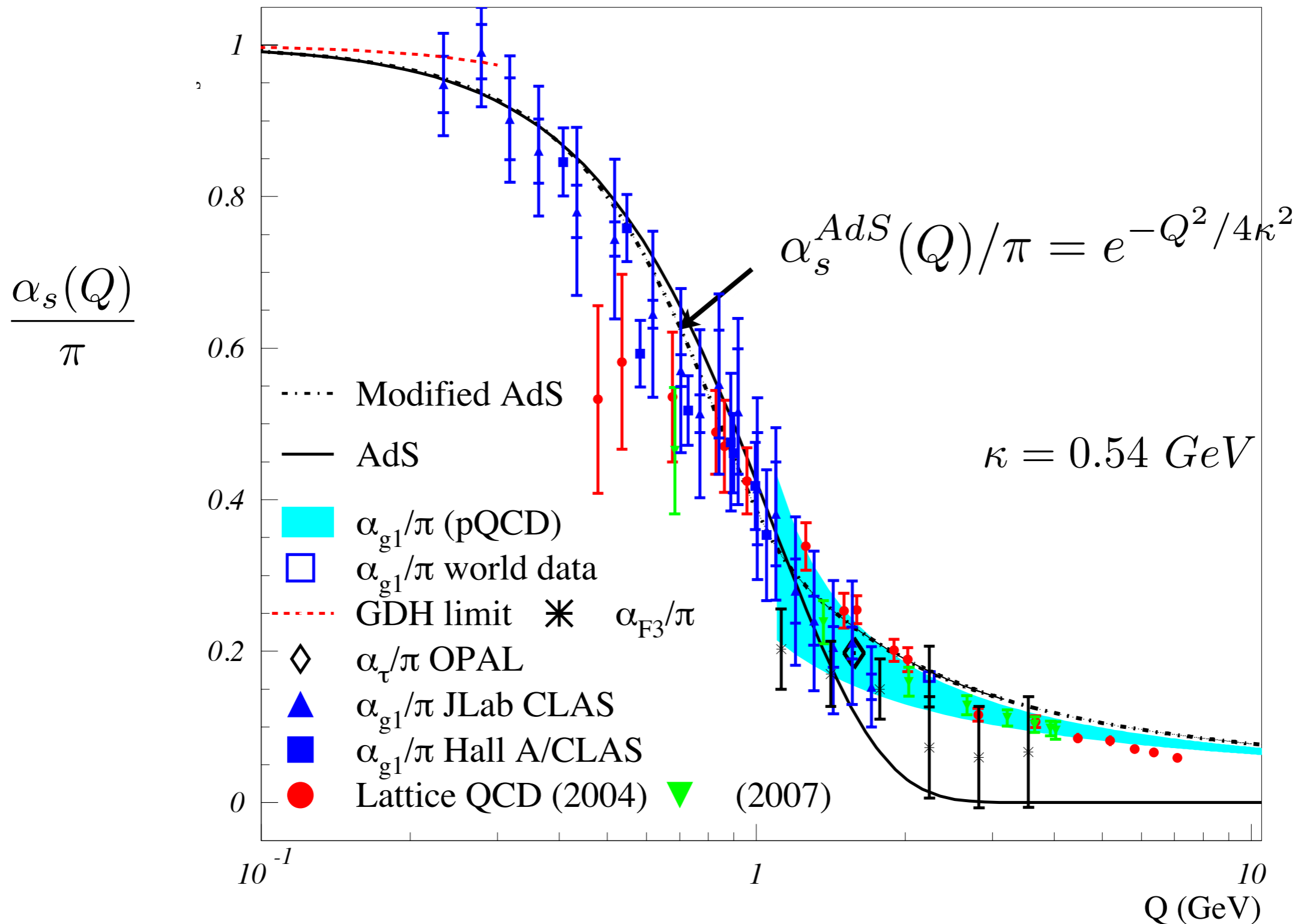
Bjorken sum rule defines effective charge

$$\alpha_{g1}(Q^2)$$

$$\int_0^1 dx [g_1^{ep}(x, Q^2) - g_1^{en}(x, Q^2)] \equiv \frac{g_a}{6} \left[ 1 - \frac{\alpha_{g1}(Q^2)}{\pi} \right]$$

- **Can be used as standard QCD coupling**
- **Well measured**
- **Asymptotic freedom at large  $Q^2$**
- **Computable at large  $Q^2$  in any  $p$ QCD scheme**
- **Universal  $\beta_0, \beta_1$**

# Analytic, defined at all scales, IR Fixed Point



**AdS/QCD dilaton captures the higher twist corrections to effective charges for  $Q < 1 \text{ GeV}$**

$$e^\varphi = e^{+\kappa^2 z^2}$$

**Deur, de Teramond, sjb**

$$m_\rho = \sqrt{2}\kappa$$

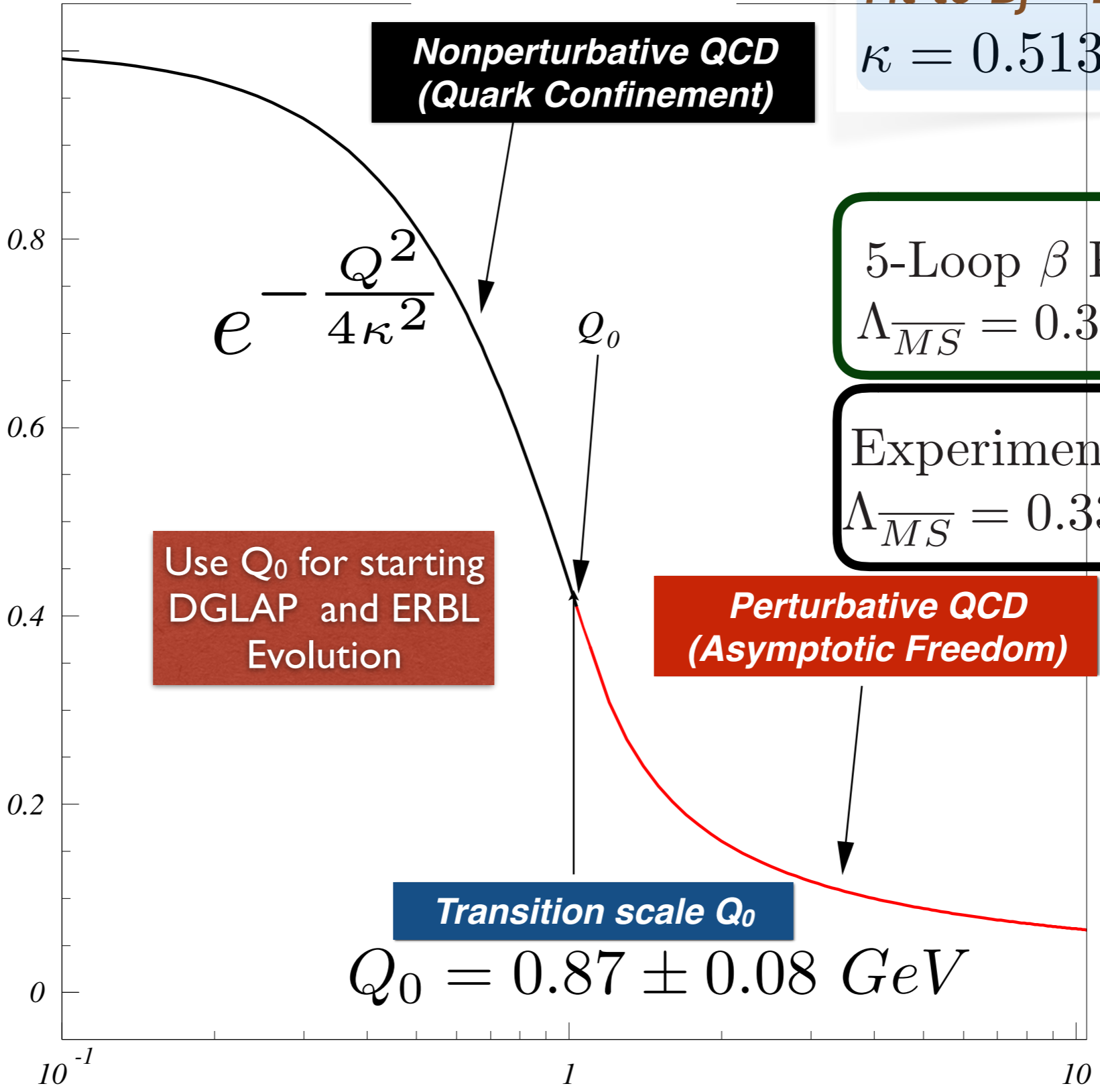
$$m_p = 2\kappa$$

Deur, de Tèramond, sjb

**All-Scale QCD Coupling**

Fit to Bj + DHG Sum Rules:  
 $\kappa = 0.513 \pm 0.007 \text{ GeV}$

$$\frac{\alpha_{g_1}^s(Q^2)}{\pi}$$



5-Loop  $\beta$  Prediction:  
 $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}} = 0.339 \pm 0.019 \text{ GeV}$

Experiment:  
 $\Lambda_{\overline{MS}} = 0.332 \pm 0.017 \text{ GeV}$

Use  $Q_0$  for starting  
DGLAP and ERBL  
Evolution

**Perturbative QCD  
(Asymptotic Freedom)**

**Transition scale  $Q_0$**

$$Q_0 = 0.87 \pm 0.08 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\lambda \equiv \kappa^2$$

*Reverse Dimensional Transmutation!*

Q (GeV)

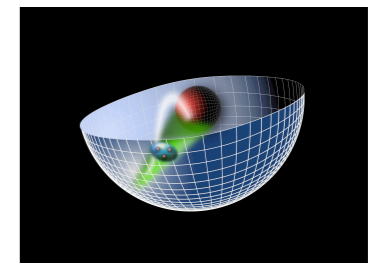
$\overline{MS}$  scheme



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# Features of LF Holographic QCD

- **Color Confinement, Analytic form of confinement potential**
- **Massless pion bound state in chiral limit**
- **QCD coupling at all scales**
- **Connection of perturbative and nonperturbative mass scales**
- **Poincare' Invariant**
- **Hadron Spectroscopy-Regge Trajectories with universal slopes in  $n, L$**
- **Supersymmetric 4-Plet: Meson-Baryon Tetraquark Symmetry**
- **Light-Front Wavefunctions**
- **Form Factors, Structure Functions, Hadronic Observables**
- **OPE: Constituent Counting Rules**
- **Hadronization at the Amplitude Level**
- **Analytic First Approximation to QCD**
- **Systematically improvable: Basis LF Quantization (BLFQ)**

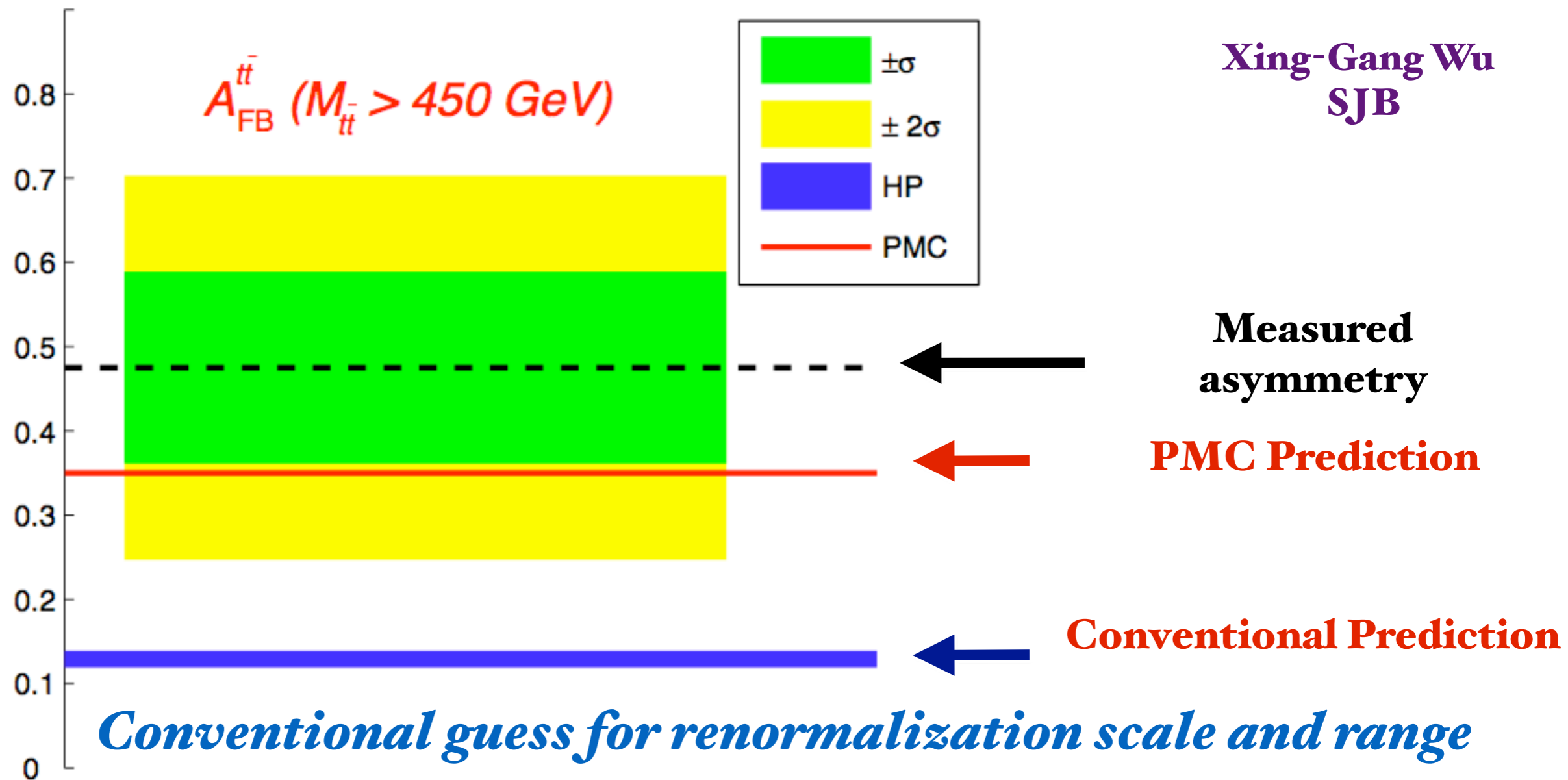
*Many phenomenological tests*

# *Invariance Principles of Quantum Field Theory*

- **Polncarè Invariance:** Physical predictions must be independent of the observer's Lorentz frame: *Front Form*
- **Causality:** Information within causal horizon: *Front Form*
- **Gauge Invariance:** Physical predictions of gauge theories must be independent of the choice of gauge
- **Scheme-Independence:** Physical predictions of renormalizable theories must be independent of the choice of the renormalization scheme — *Principle of Maximum Conformality (PMC)*
- **Mass-Scale Invariance:** *Conformal Invariance of the Action (DAFF)*

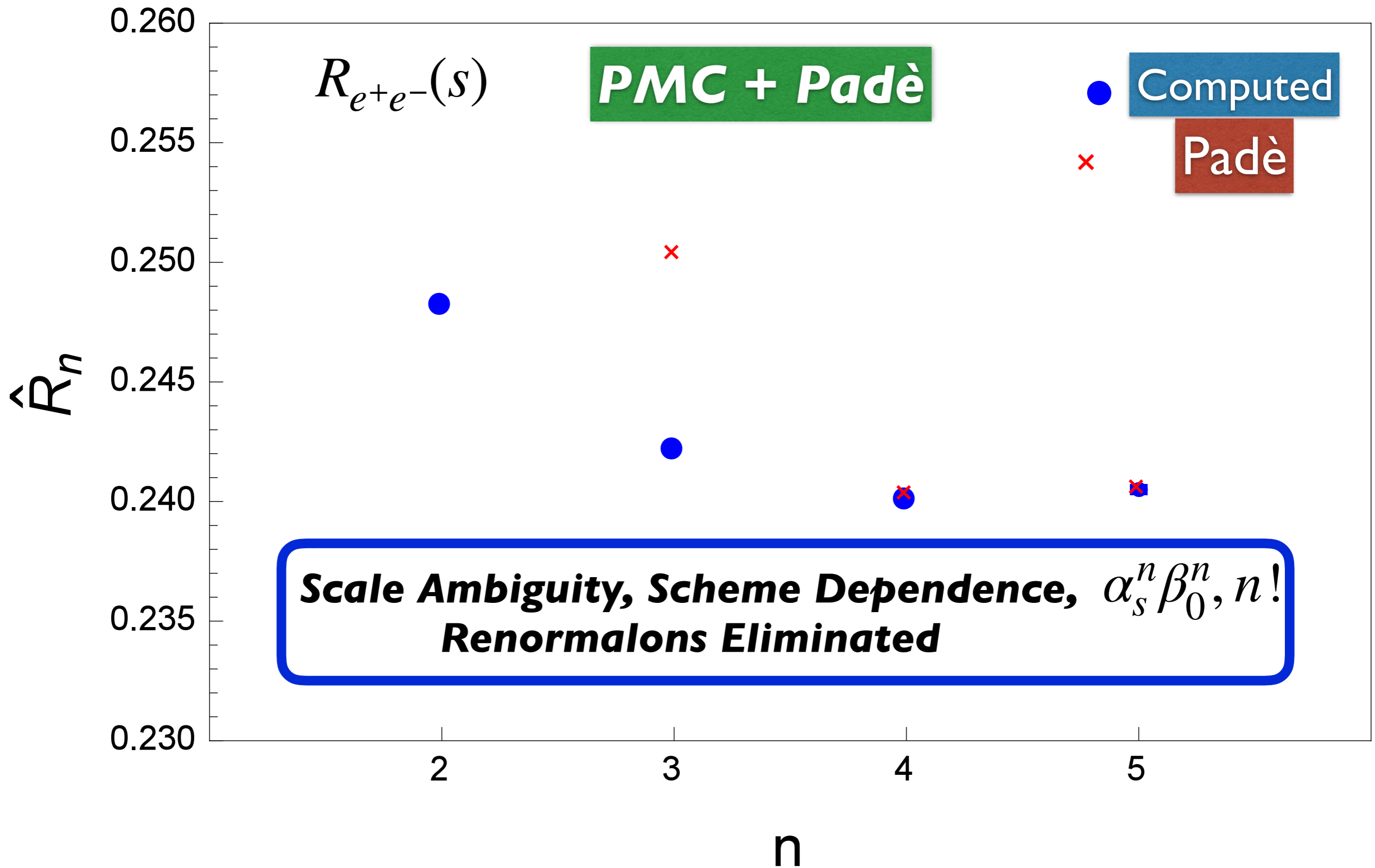


# The Renormalization Scale Ambiguity for Top-Pair Production Eliminated Using the 'Principle of Maximum Conformality' (PMC)



BLM/PMC: Scheme-Independent, same as Gell-Mann-Low in pQED

Top quark forward-backward asymmetry predicted by pQCD NNLO within  $1\sigma$  of CDF/D0 measurements using PMC/BLM scale setting



*Extending the Predictive Power of pQCD*

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## *Two Definitions of Vacuum State*

**Instant Form: Lowest Energy Eigenstate of Instant-Form Hamiltonian**

$$H|\psi_0\rangle = E_0|\psi_0\rangle, E_0 = \min\{E_i\}$$

*Eigenstate defined at one time  $t$  over all space;  
Acausal! Frame-Dependent*

**Front Form: Lowest Invariant Mass Eigenstate of Light-Front Hamiltonian**

$$H_{LF}|\psi_0\rangle_{LF} = M_0^2|\psi_0\rangle_{LF}, M_0^2 = 0.$$

*Frame-independent eigenstate at fixed LF time  $\tau = t+z/c$   
within causal horizon*

*Frame-independent description of the causal physical universe!*

# Front-Form Vacuum

All LF propagators have positive  $k^+$

$$k^+ = k^0 + k^3 \geq 0 \text{ since } |\vec{k}| \leq k^0$$

$P^+$  Momentum Conserved



$$\langle 0 | T^{\mu\nu} | 0 \rangle = 0$$

**Graviton does not couple to LF vacuum!**

*Vanishing gravitational coupling even in presence of zero modes*

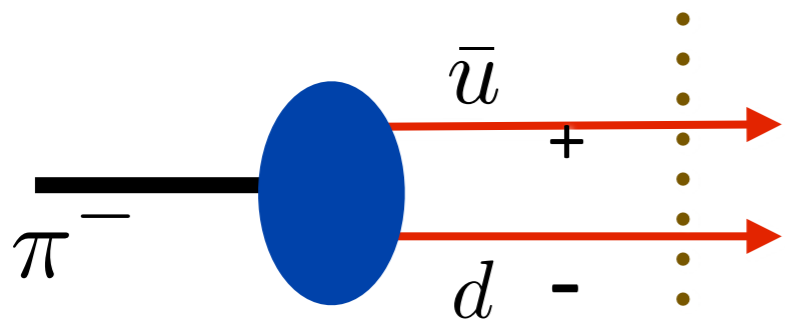
# Light-Front vacuum can simulate empty universe

Shrock, Tandy, Roberts, sjb

- Independent of observer frame
- Causal
- Lowest invariant mass state  $M=0$ .
- Trivial up to  $k^+=0$  zero modes-- already normal-ordering
- Higgs theory consistent with trivial LF vacuum (Srivastava, sjb)
- QCD and AdS/QCD: “In-hadron” condensates (Maris, Tandy Roberts) -- GMOR satisfied.
- QED vacuum; no loops
- Zero cosmological constant from QED, QCD, EW

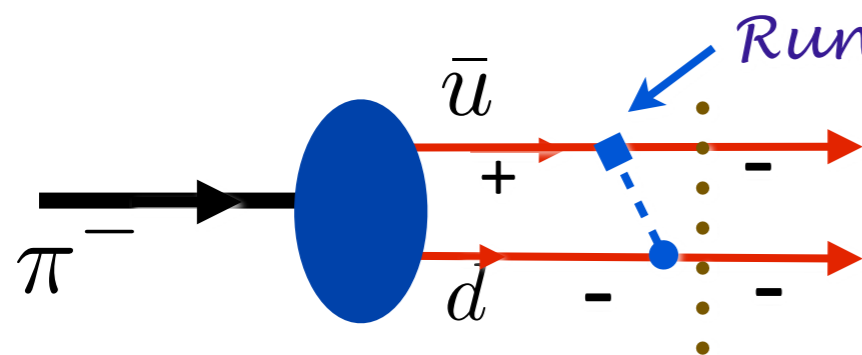
# Light-Front Pion Valence Wavefunctions

$$S_{\bar{u}}^z + S_d^z = +1/2 - 1/2 = 0$$



**Couples to**

$$L^z = 0, S^z = 0 \quad \langle \pi | \bar{\gamma}^\mu q \gamma_5 q | 0 \rangle \sim f_\pi$$



*Running constituent mass at vertex*

**Couples to**

$$L^z = +1, S^z = -1 \quad \langle \pi | \bar{q} \gamma_5 q | 0 \rangle \sim \rho_\pi$$

$$S_{\bar{u}}^z + S_d^z = -1/2 - 1/2 = -1$$

**Angular  
Momentum  
Conservation**

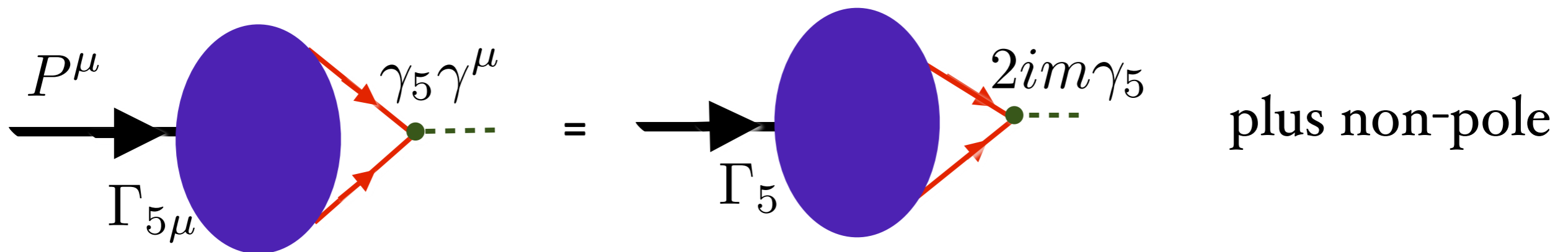
$$J^z = \sum_i^n S_i^z + \sum_i^{n-1} L_i^z$$

# Ward-Takahashi Identity for axial current

**GMOR satisfied, no VEV**

$$P^\mu \Gamma_{5\mu}(k, P) + 2im\Gamma_5(k, P) = S^{-1}(k + P/2)i\gamma_5 + i\gamma_5 S^{-1}(k - P/2)$$

$$S^{-1}(\ell) = i\gamma \cdot \ell A(\ell^2) + B(\ell^2) \quad m(\ell^2) = \frac{B(\ell^2)}{A(\ell^2)}$$



Identify pion pole at  $P^2 = m_\pi^2$

$$P^\mu \langle 0 | \bar{q} \gamma_5 \gamma^\mu q | \pi \rangle = 2m \langle 0 | \bar{q} i \gamma_5 q | \pi \rangle$$

$$f_\pi m_\pi^2 = -(m_u + m_d) \rho_\pi$$

# Revised Gell Mann-Oakes-Renner Formula in QCD

$$m_\pi^2 = -\frac{(m_u + m_d)}{f_\pi^2} \langle 0 | \bar{q}q | 0 \rangle$$

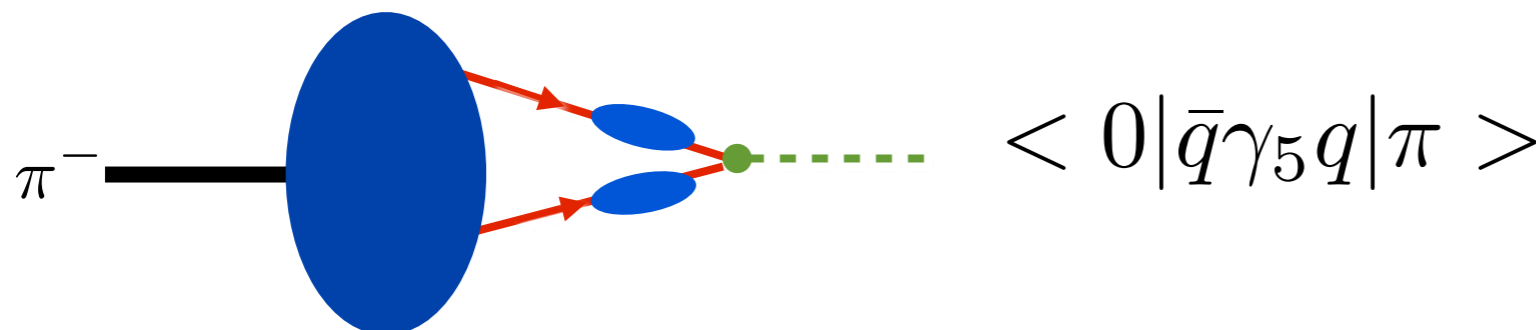
**current algebra:  
effective pion field**

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**QCD: composite pion  
Bethe-Salpeter Eq.**

**No VEV!**

*vacuum condensate actually is an "in-hadron condensate"*

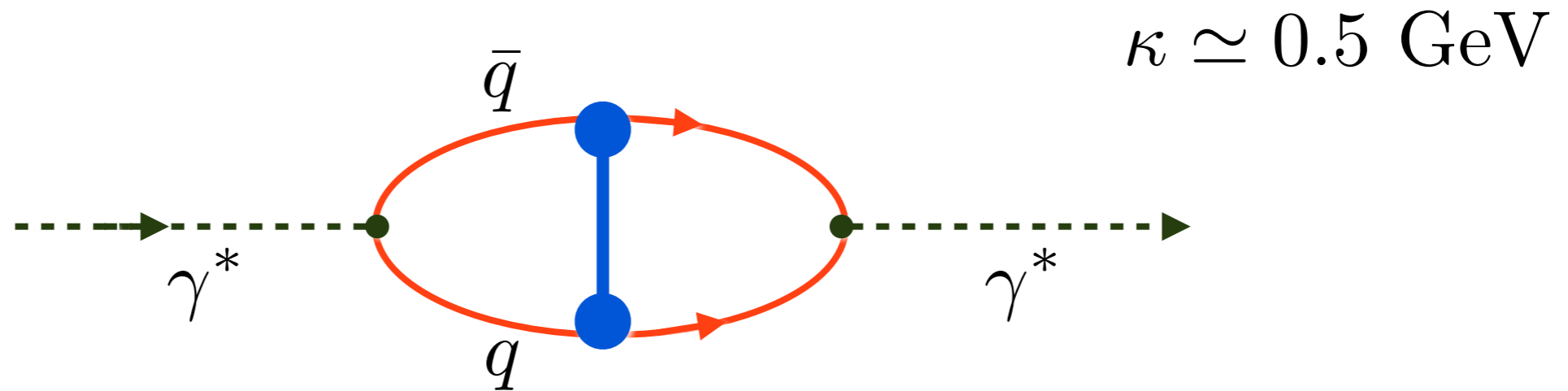


Maris, Roberts, Tandy



*Effective Confinement potential from soft-wall AdS/QCD gives Regge Spectroscopy plus higher-twist correction to current propagator*

$$M^2 = 4\kappa^2(n + L + S/2) \quad \text{light-quark meson spectra}$$



$$R_{e^+e^-}(s) = N_c \sum_q e_q^2 \left( 1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\kappa^4}{s^2}\right) + \dots \right)$$

*mimics dimension-4 gluon condensate*  $\langle 0 | \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} G^{\mu\nu}(0) G_{\mu\nu}(0) | 0 \rangle$  *in*

$e^+e^- \rightarrow X, \tau$  decay,  $Q\bar{Q}$  phenomenology

PHYSICAL REVIEW C **82**, 022201(R) (2010)**New perspectives on the quark condensate**Stanley J. Brodsky,<sup>1,2</sup> Craig D. Roberts,<sup>3,4</sup> Robert Shrock,<sup>5</sup> and Peter C. Tandy<sup>6</sup><sup>1</sup>*SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, Stanford University, Stanford, California 94309, USA*<sup>2</sup>*Centre for Particle Physics Phenomenology: CP<sup>3</sup>-Origins, University of Southern Denmark, Odense 5230 M, Denmark*<sup>3</sup>*Physics Division, Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, Illinois 60439, USA*<sup>4</sup>*Department of Physics, Peking University, Beijing 100871, China*<sup>5</sup>*C.N. Yang Institute for Theoretical Physics, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York 11794, USA*<sup>6</sup>*Center for Nuclear Research, Department of Physics, Kent State University, Kent, Ohio 44242, USA*

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**Emergent Mass  
Trento ECT\*, 2018**

**Color Confinement, Hadron Dynamics, and Hadron Spectroscopy  
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*Quark and Gluon condensates reside  
within hadrons, not vacuum*

Casher and Susskind

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*Central Question: What is the source of Dark Energy?*

$$\Omega_\Lambda = 0.76(\text{expt})$$

*Higgs Zero-Mode Curvature?*

# Advantages of the Dirac's Front Form for Hadron Physics

## Poincare' Invariant

### *Physics Independent of Observer's Motion*



- **Measurements are made at fixed  $\tau$**
- **Causality is automatic**
- **Structure Functions are squares of LFWFs**
- **Form Factors are overlap of LFWFs**
- **LFWFs are frame-independent: no boosts, no pancakes!**

***Penrose, Terrell, Weisskopf***

- **Same structure function measured at an e p collider and the proton rest frame**
- **No dependence of hadron structure on observer's frame**
- **Jz Conservation, bounds on  $\Delta L_z$  *Chiu, sjb***
- **LF Holography: Dual to AdS space**
- **LF Vacuum trivial -- no vacuum condensates!**

***Roberts, Shrock, Tandy, sjb***



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- **Color Confinement, Analytic form of confinement potential**
- **Retains underlying conformal properties of QCD despite mass scale (DeAlfaro-Fubini-Furlan Principle)**
- **Massless quark-antiquark pion bound state in chiral limit, GMOR**
- **QCD coupling at all scales**
- **Connection of perturbative and nonperturbative mass scales**
- **Poincarè Invariant**
- **Hadron Spectroscopy-Regge Trajectories with universal slopes in  $n, L$**
- **Supersymmetric 4-Plet: Meson-Baryon-Tetraquark Symmetry**
- **Light-Front Wavefunctions**
- **Form Factors, Structure Functions, Hadronic Observables**
- **OPE: Constituent Counting Rules**
- **Hadronization at the Amplitude Level: Many Phenomenological Tests**
- **Systematically improvable: Basis LF Quantization (BLFQ)**

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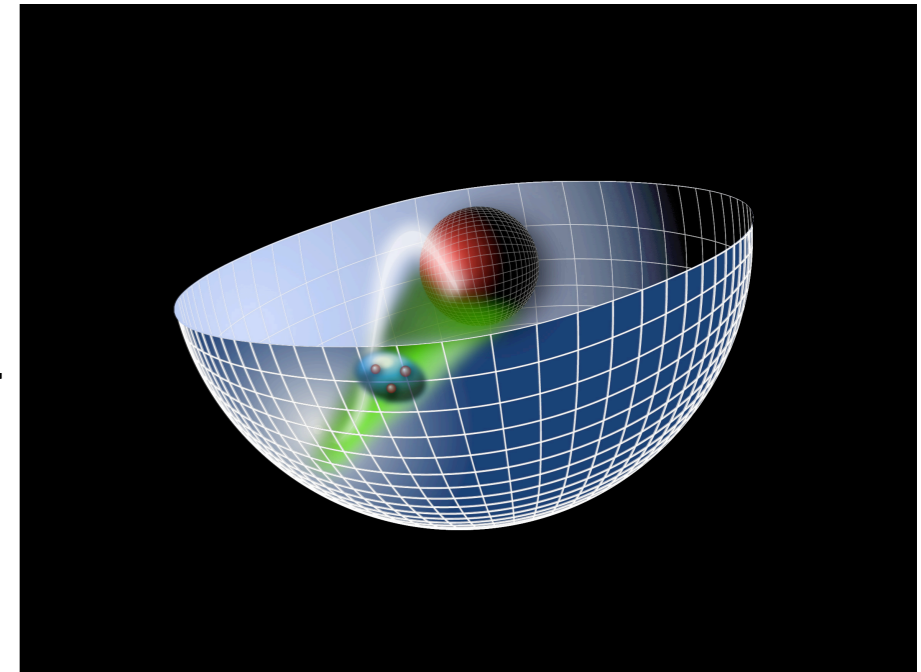
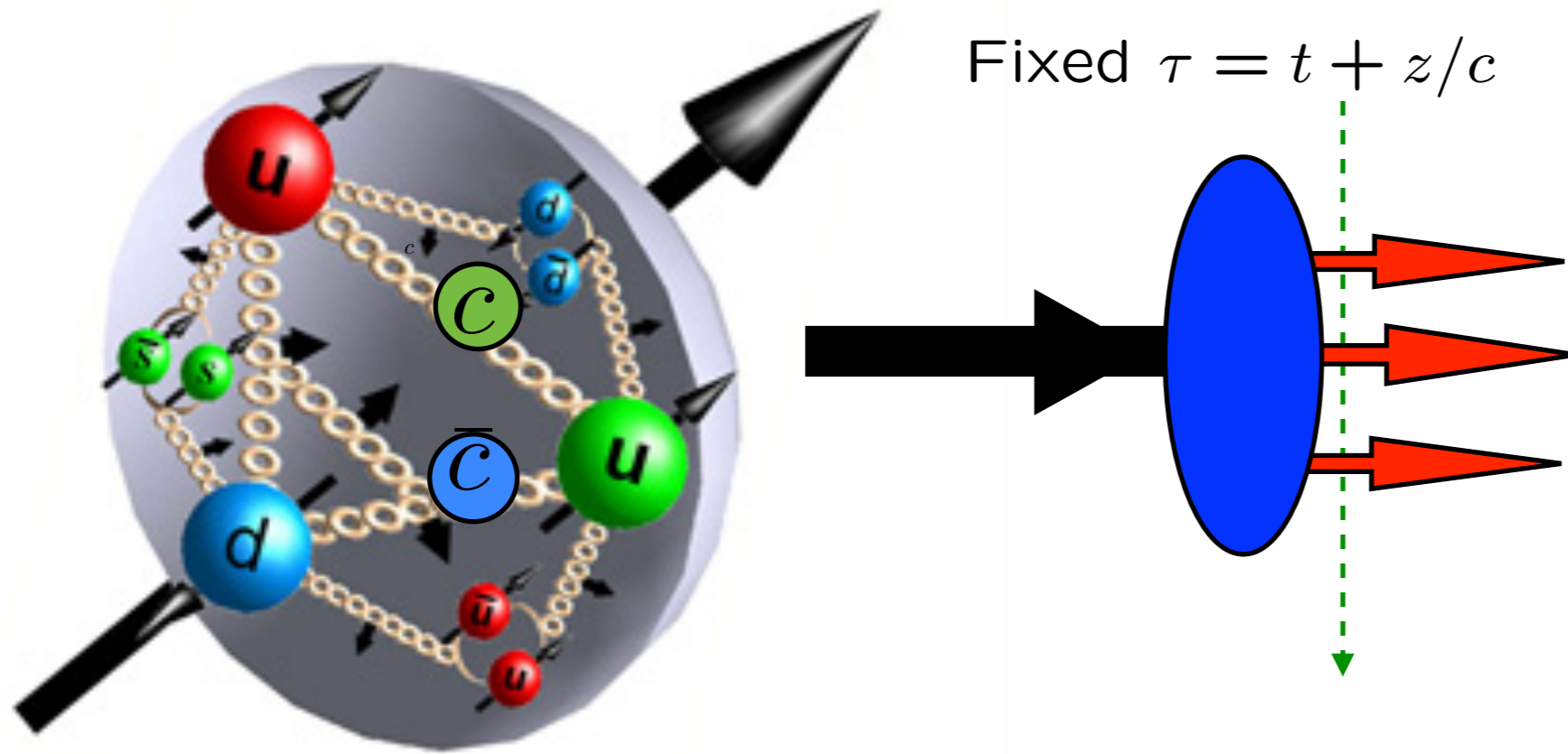
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