

Meson spectroscopy and properties in a Dyson-Schwinger approach

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- QCD and hadrons
- DSE-BSE
- Symmetries $\leftrightarrow$ exact results
- Mesons and their properties
- Example (sophisticated) Ansatz
- Example results
- Conclusions and outlook



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- Study hadrons as composites of **quarks** and **gluons** . . .
- . . . including:
 - **Chiral symmetry** and $D_\chi SB$
 - correct perturbative limit (via $\alpha_p(Q^2)$)
 - quark and gluon confinement
 - **Poincaré covariance**
- Propagators and Bethe-Salpeter amplitudes
→ **observables**

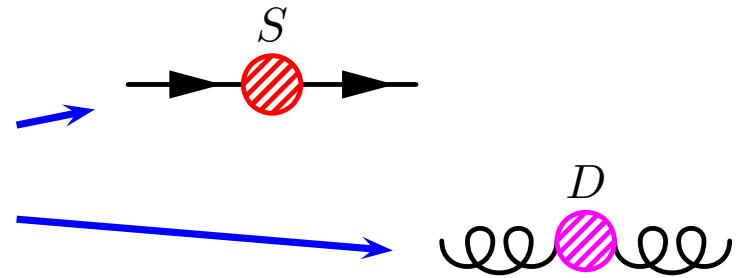
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- Prove **exact** (model independent) **results**
- Devise **(sophisticated) models** to illustrate them

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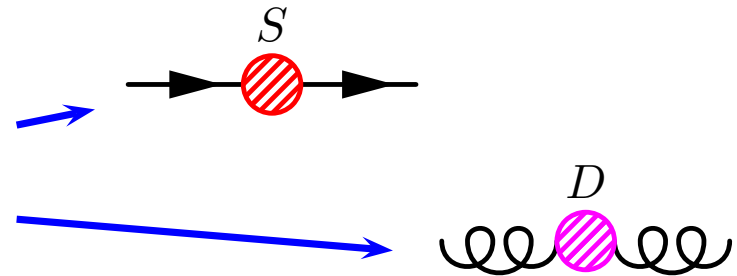
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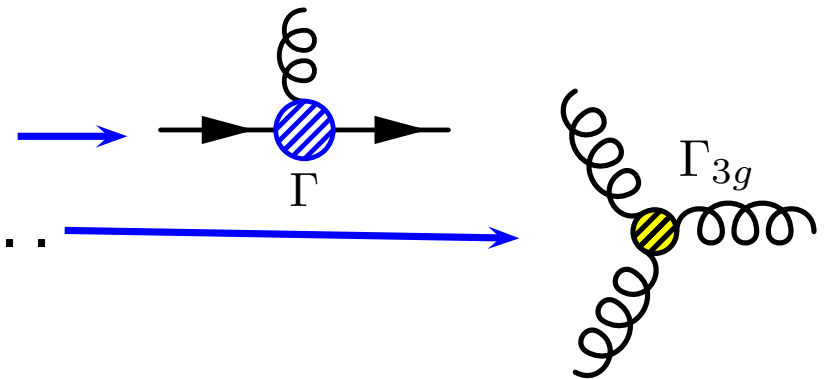
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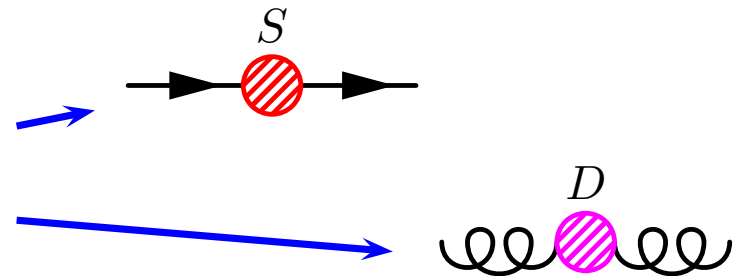
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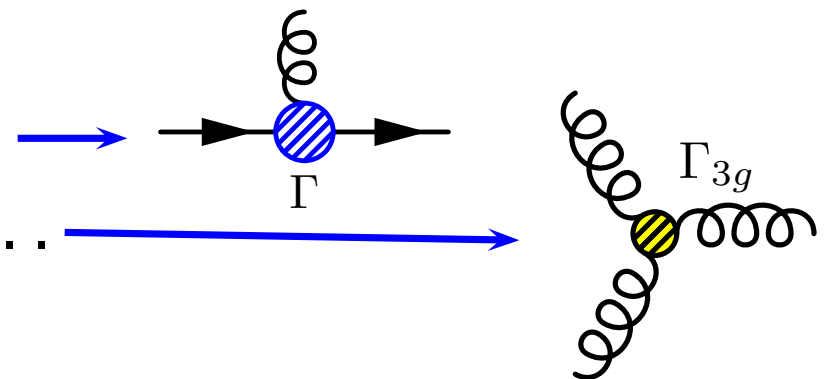
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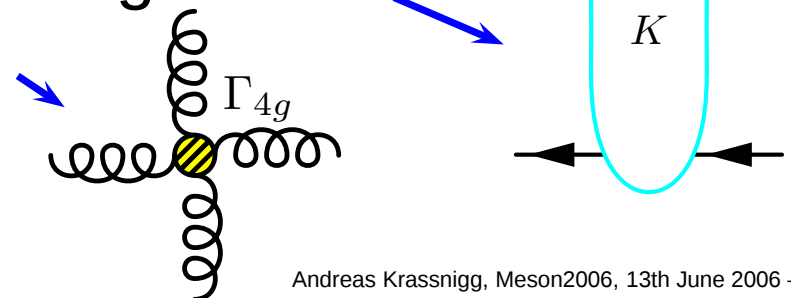
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- quark-antiquark scattering kernel
- four-gluon vertex ...

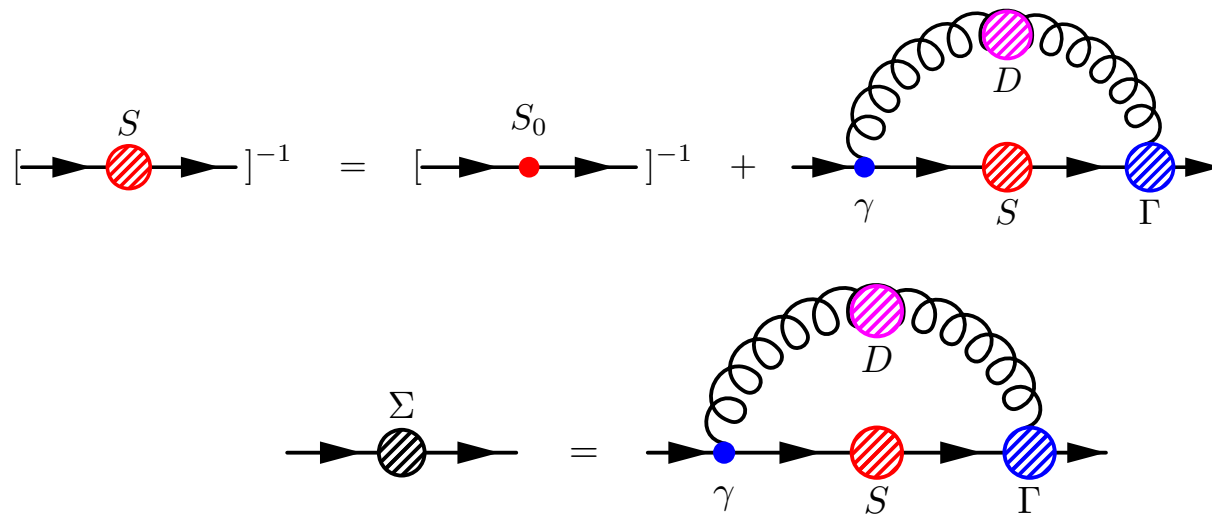


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- Need to ...
 - have a well-defined **chiral limit**
 - understand **dynamical chiral symmetry breaking**
 - understand the relation between **current** and **constituent** quarks
 - have a **covariant** framework

Gap Equation

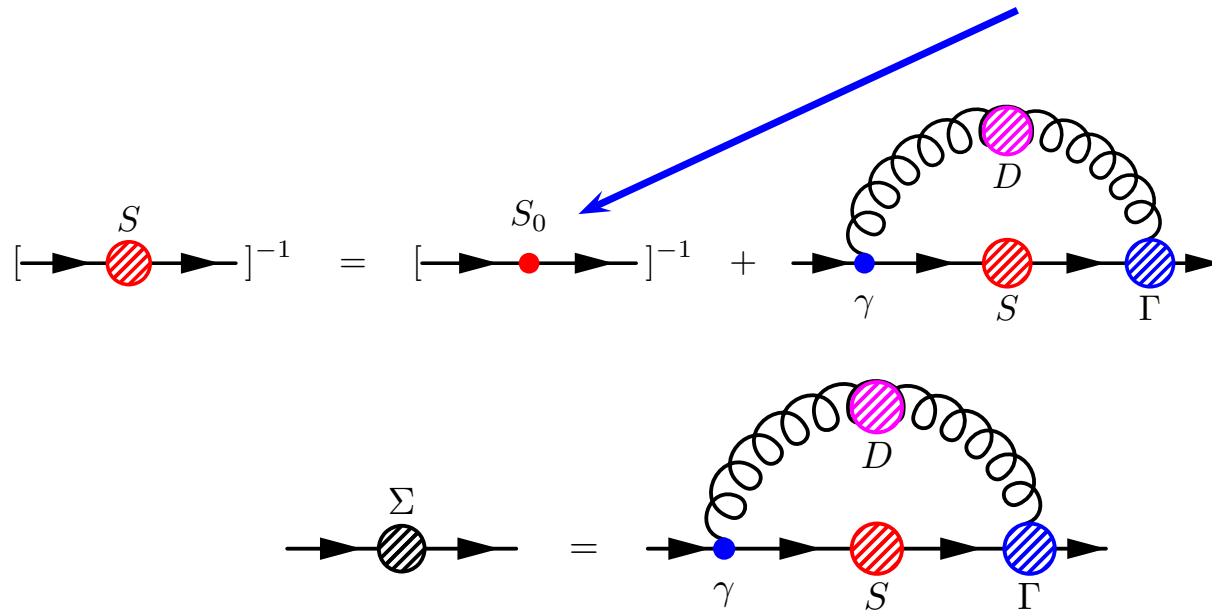
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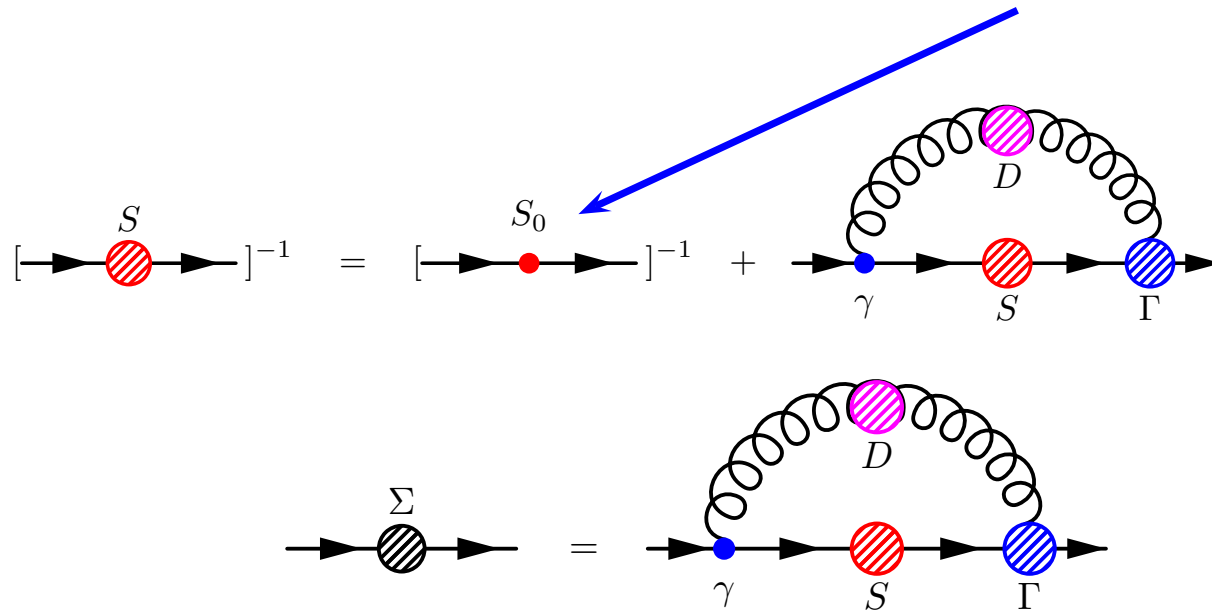
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- **Weak coupling** expansion reproduces every diagram in **perturbation theory**, but:
- Perturbation theory: $m_\zeta = 0 \Rightarrow M(p^2) \equiv 0$

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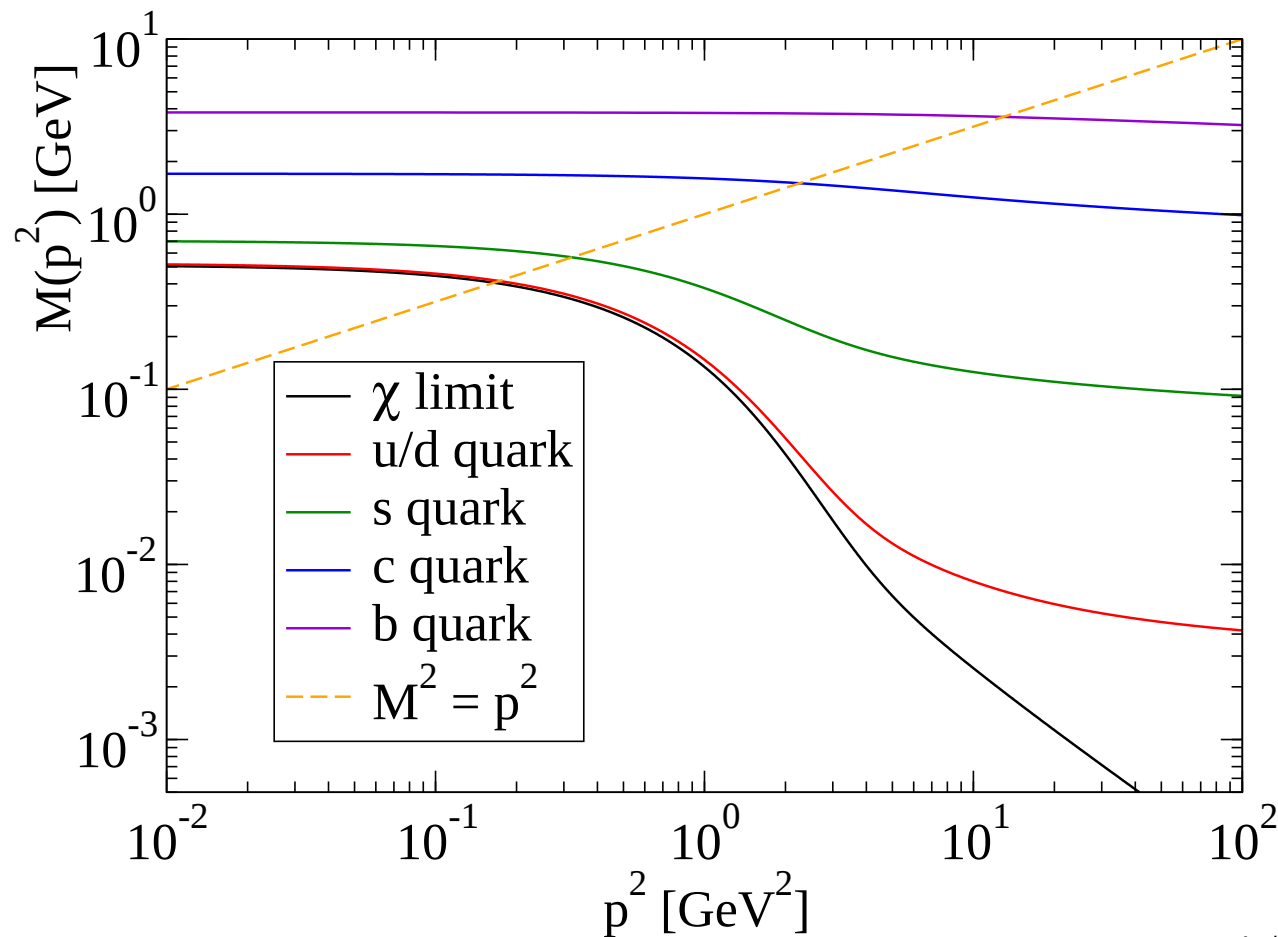
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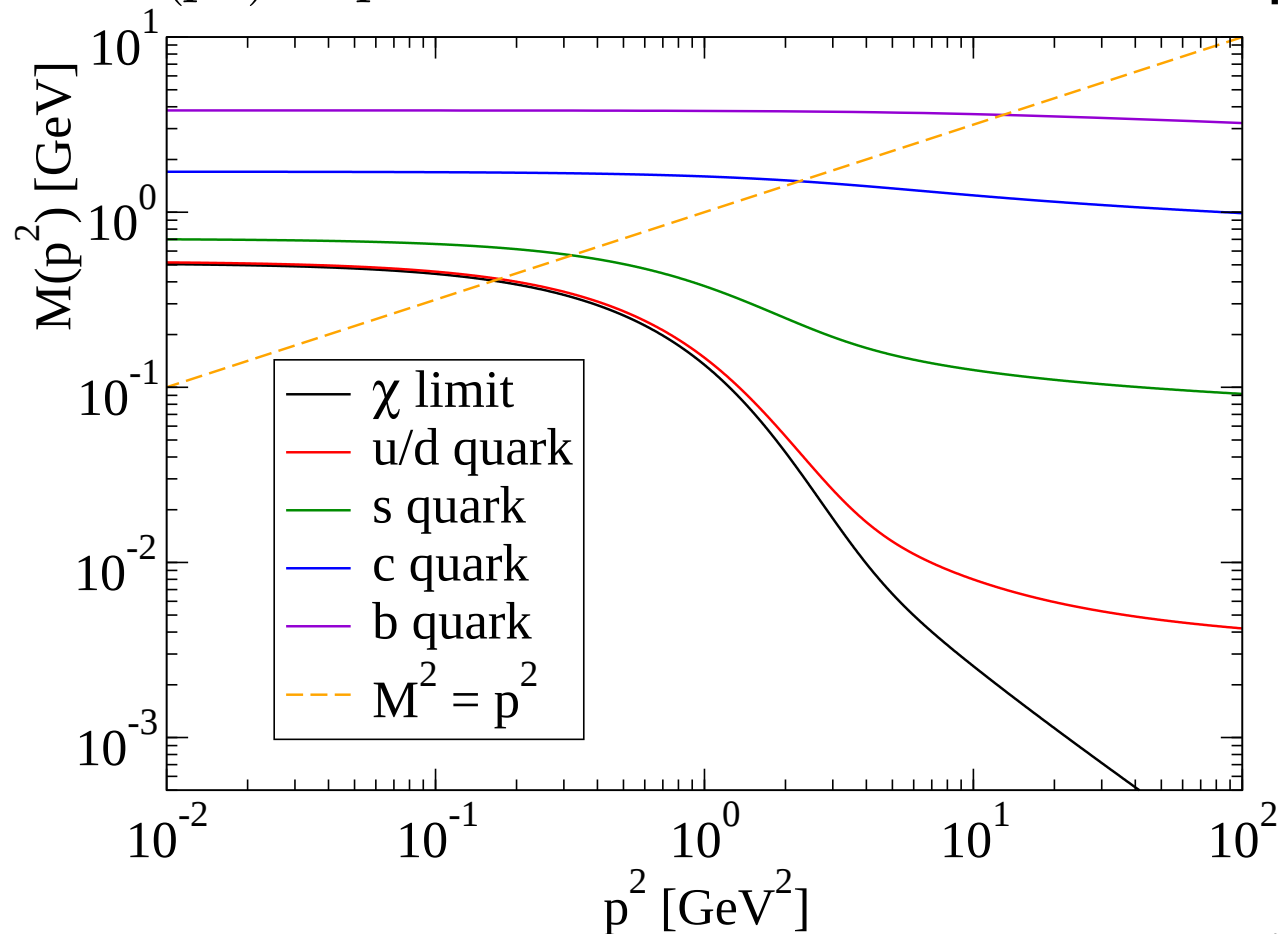
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$M^2(p^2) = p^2 \Rightarrow$ Euclidean constituent quark mass M_E



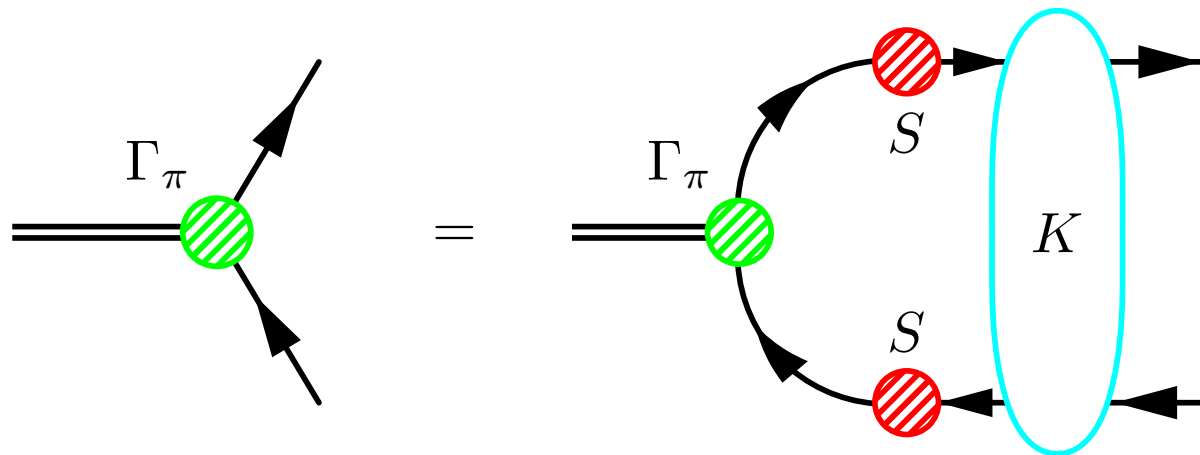
q	M_E/m_ζ
χ	∞
u/d	100
s	7
c	1.7
b	1.2
$\rightarrow D_\chi SB$	

Bethe-Salpeter Equation

- BSE for $q\bar{q}$ or qq bound states ($\chi = S \Gamma_\pi S$)

$$\Gamma_{tu}(p; P) = \int d^4q [\chi(q; P)]_{sr} K_{rs}^{tu}(q, p; P) .$$

- Gap eq. output $\rightarrow$ BSE input



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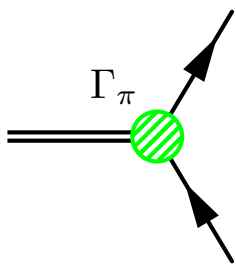
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- Preserved at **every step** in truncation scheme
- At least one such scheme exists
- Lowest order: **rainbow** truncation in gap, **ladder** truncation in BS equation

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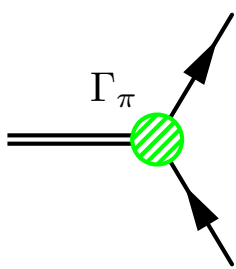
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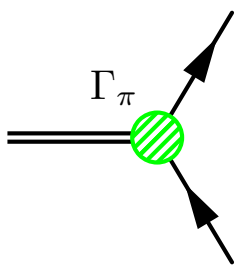


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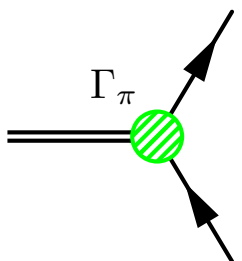


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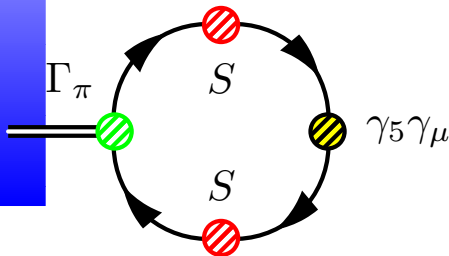


A Feynman diagram showing a meson vertex. A double horizontal line on the left represents an incoming quark. A single line with an arrow pointing up and to the right represents an outgoing quark. A single line with an arrow pointing down and to the right represents an outgoing antiquark. The vertex is a green circle with diagonal hatching. The label Γ_π is placed near the incoming quark line.

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- pseudovector pieces:
 - intrinsic orbital angular momentum
 - crucial for Lorentz invariance
 - preserving symmetries (AV WTI)

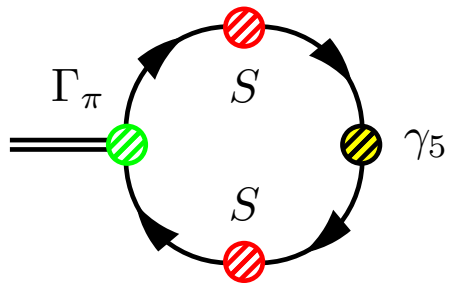
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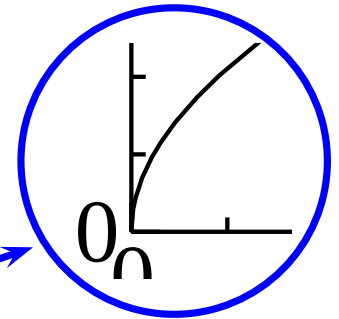
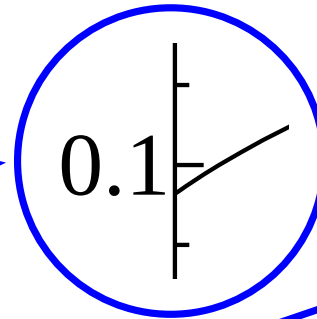
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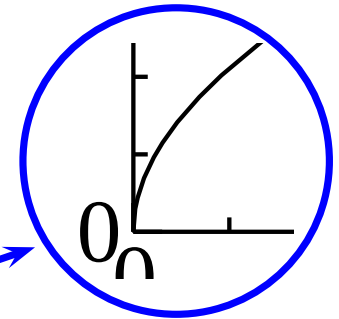
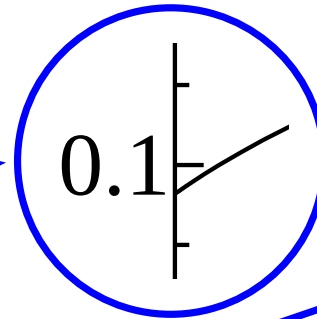
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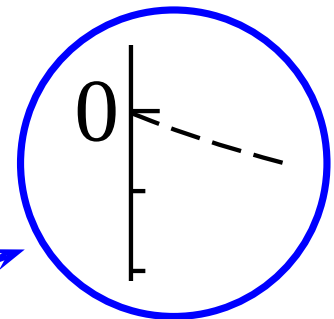
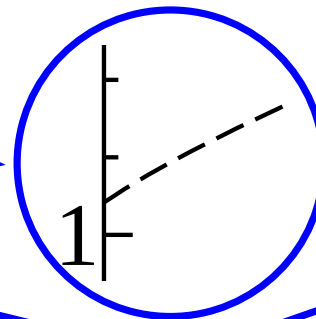


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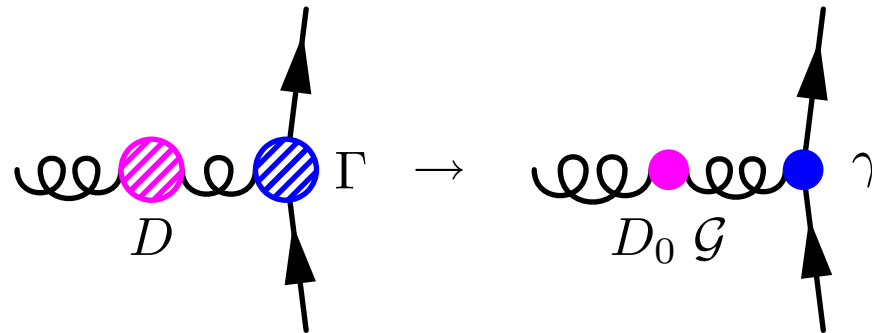
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Rainbow-Ladder (RL) Truncation

- Rainbow approximation for gap equation
- Ladder approximation for BSE



- Effective coupling $\mathcal{G}$
- Bare quark-gluon vertex γ_ν
- Bare gluon propagator $D_{\mu\nu}^{\text{free}}(p - q)$
- How good is this?

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 - UV-finite Ansatz
 - RG-improved Ansatz
 - Results from DSEs for gluon propagator and quark-gluon vertex
- More general scheme?

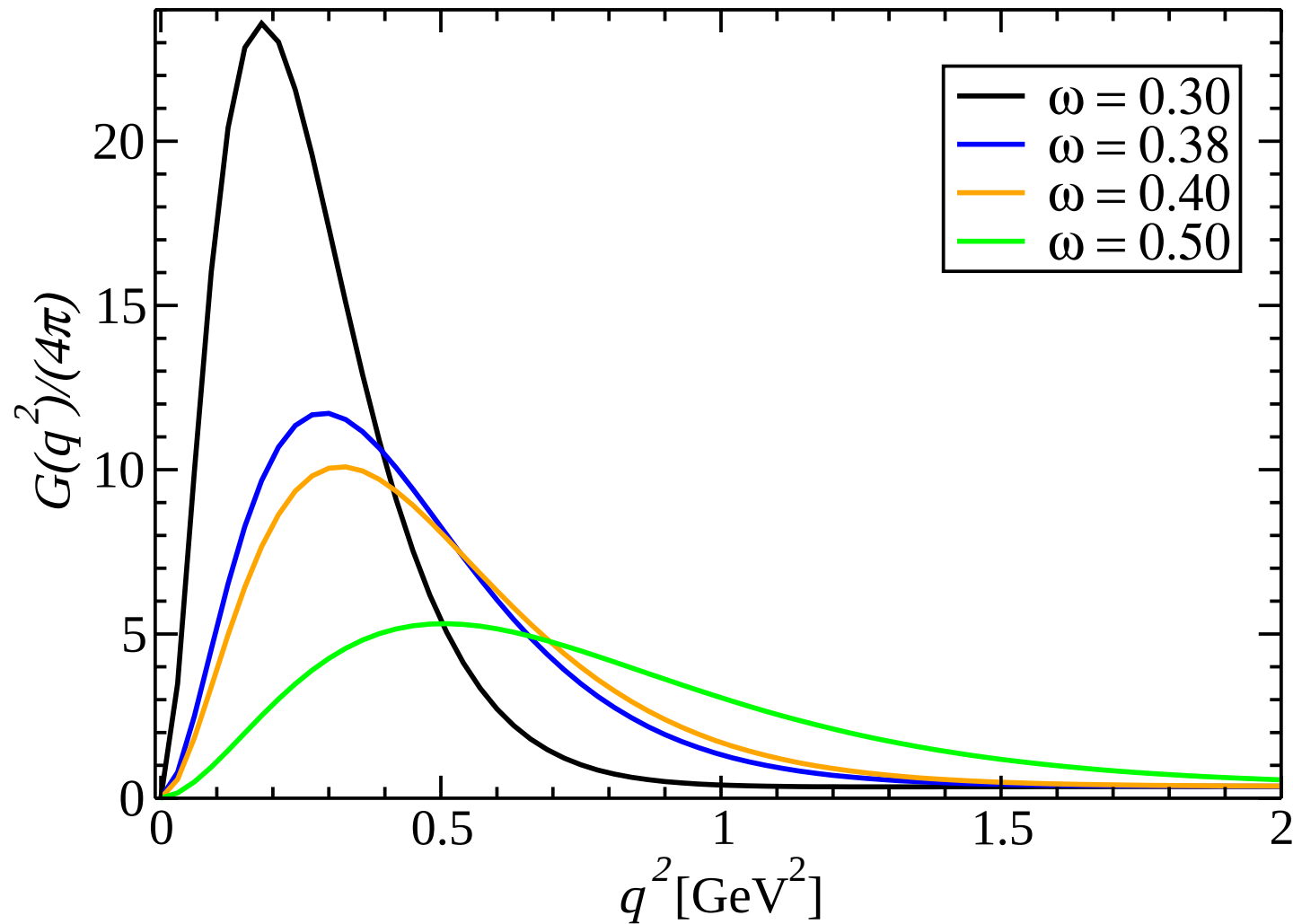
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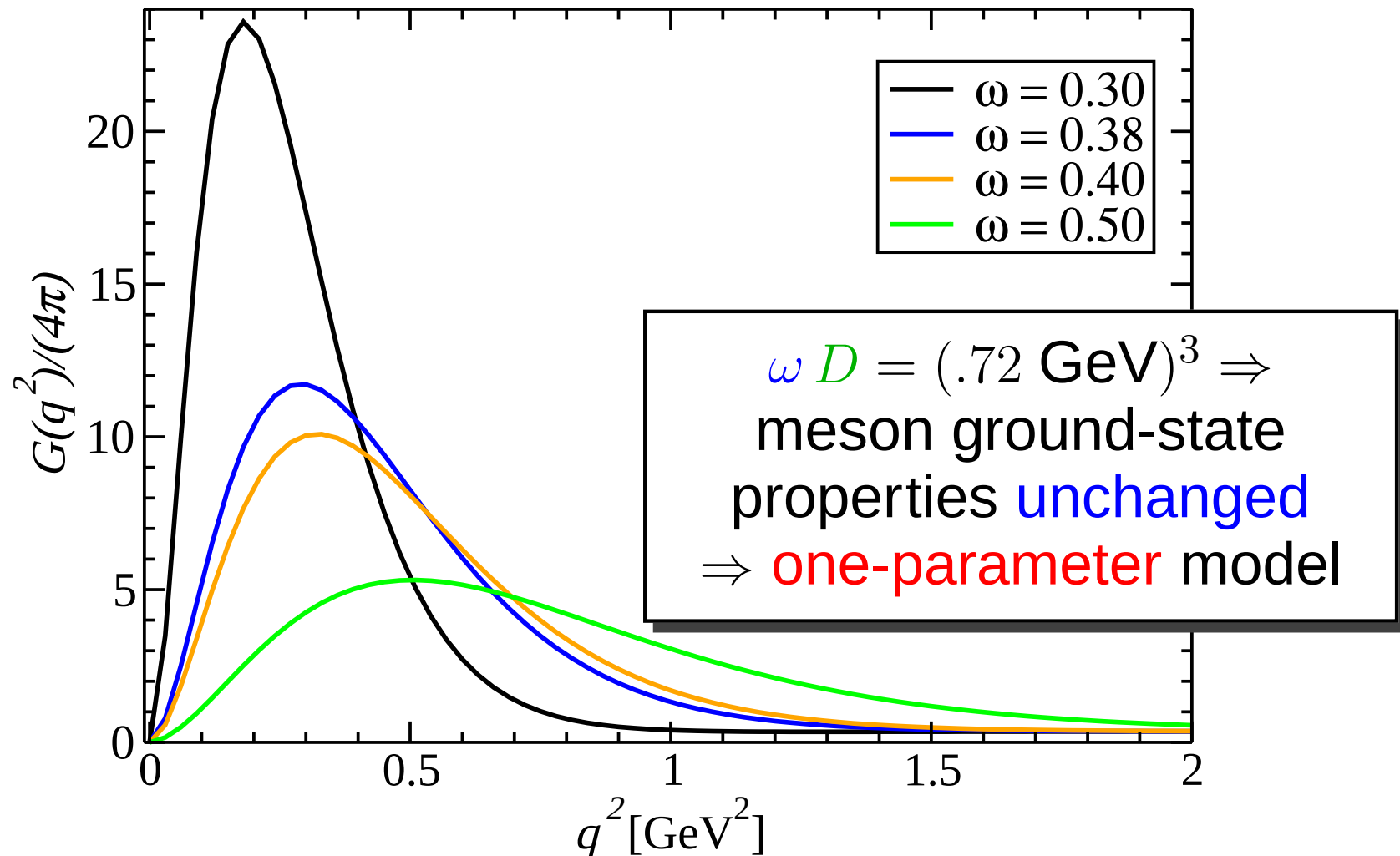
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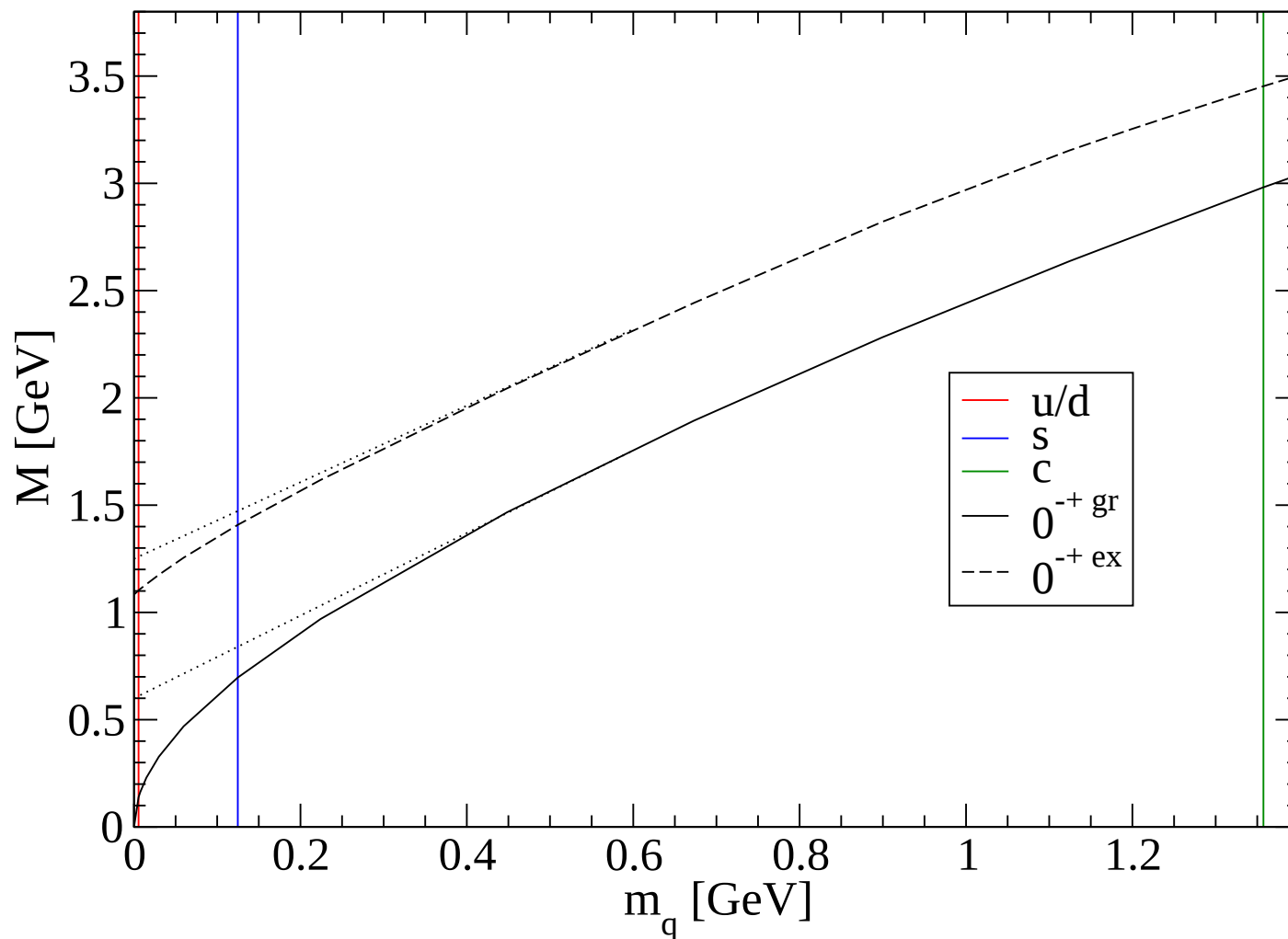
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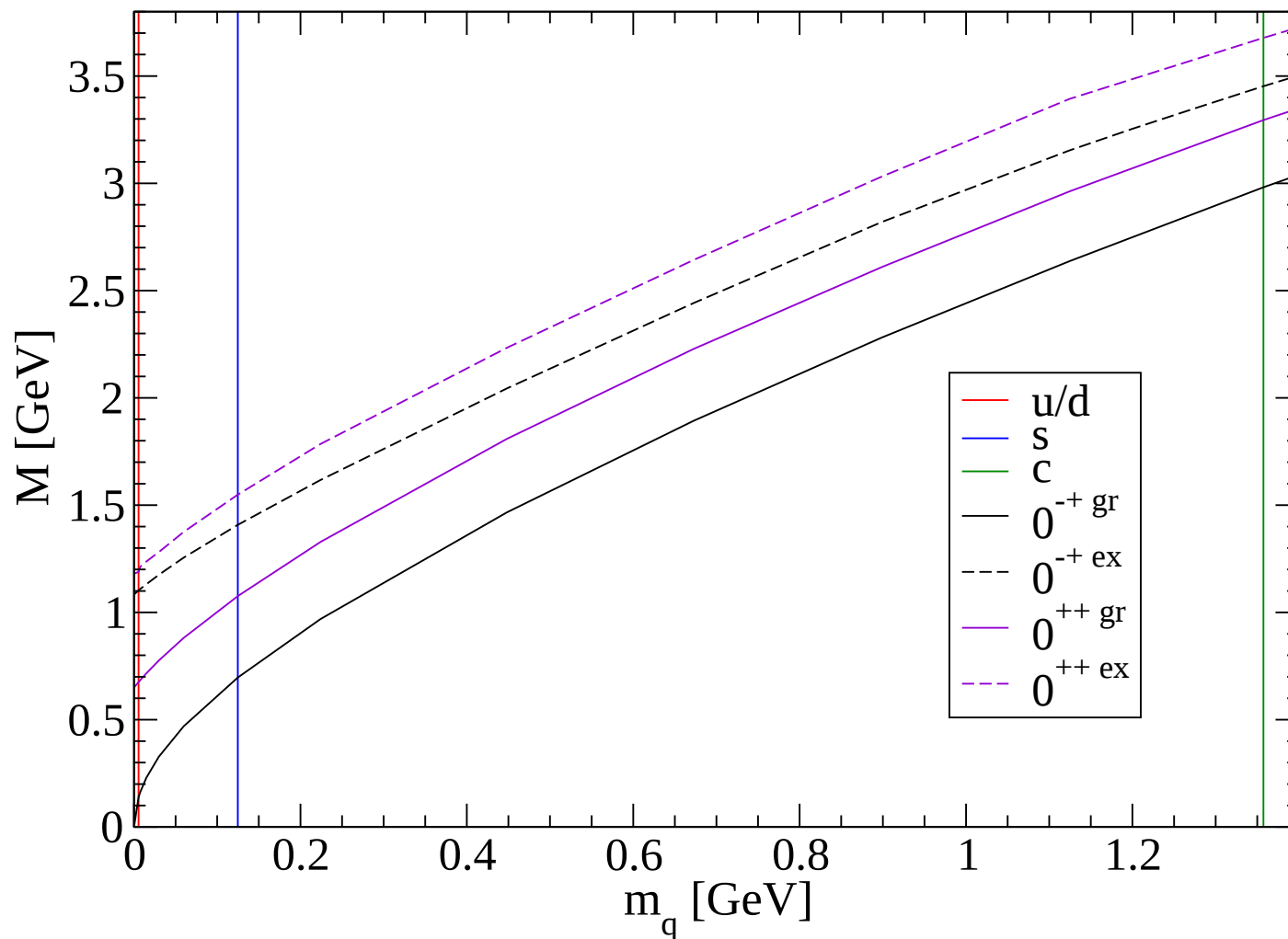
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 - Radial excitations
 - Scalar mesons
 - Axial vector mesons
- Study long range part of the strong interaction
between light quarks

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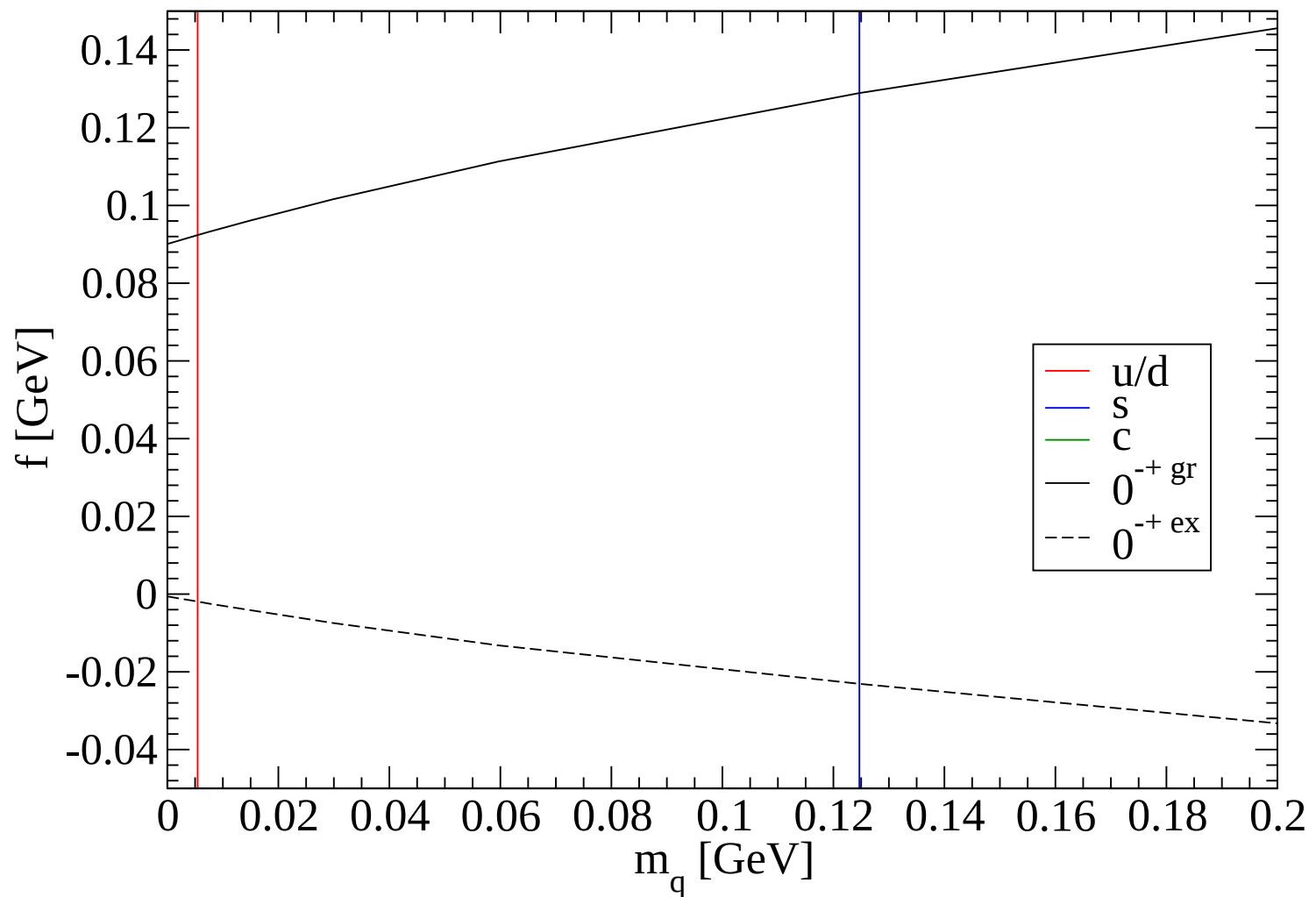


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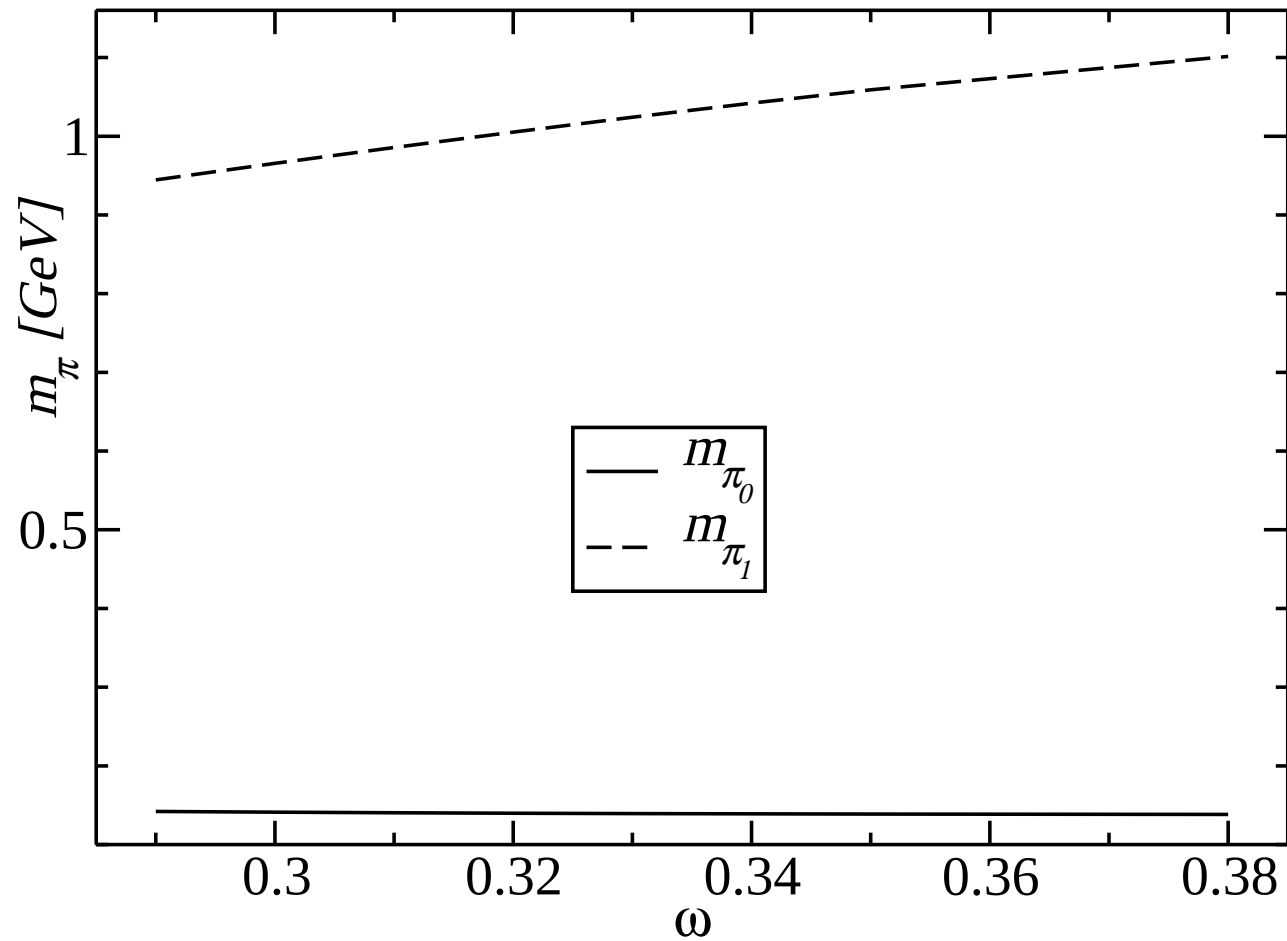
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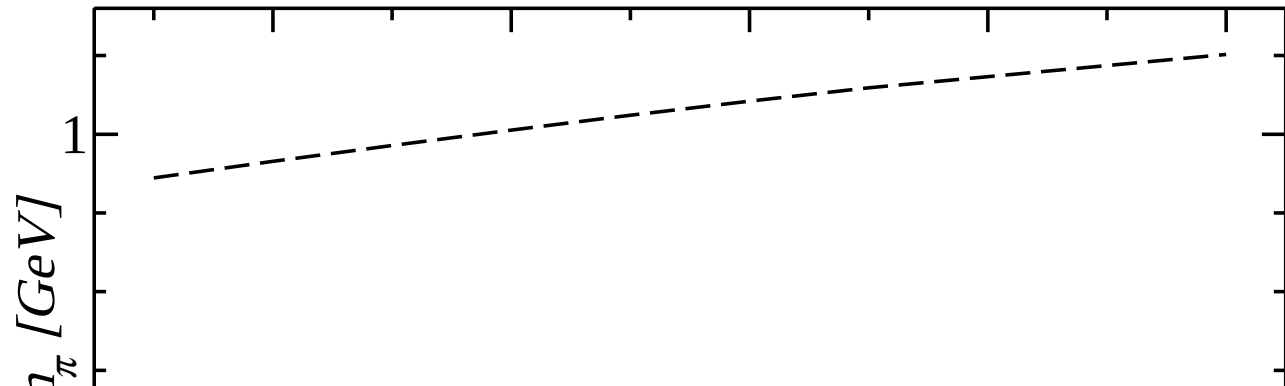
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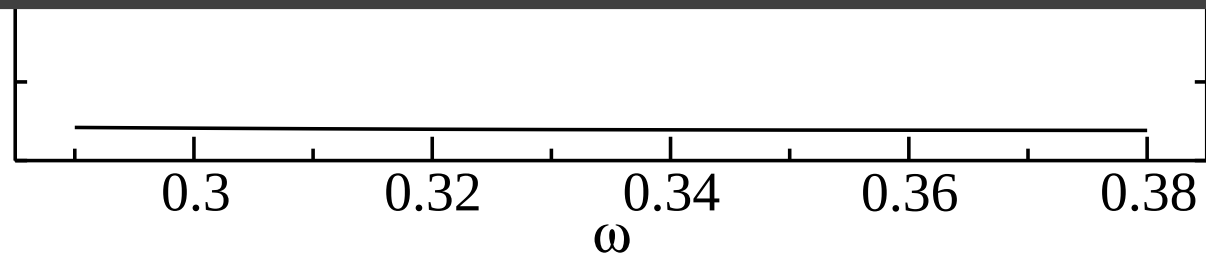


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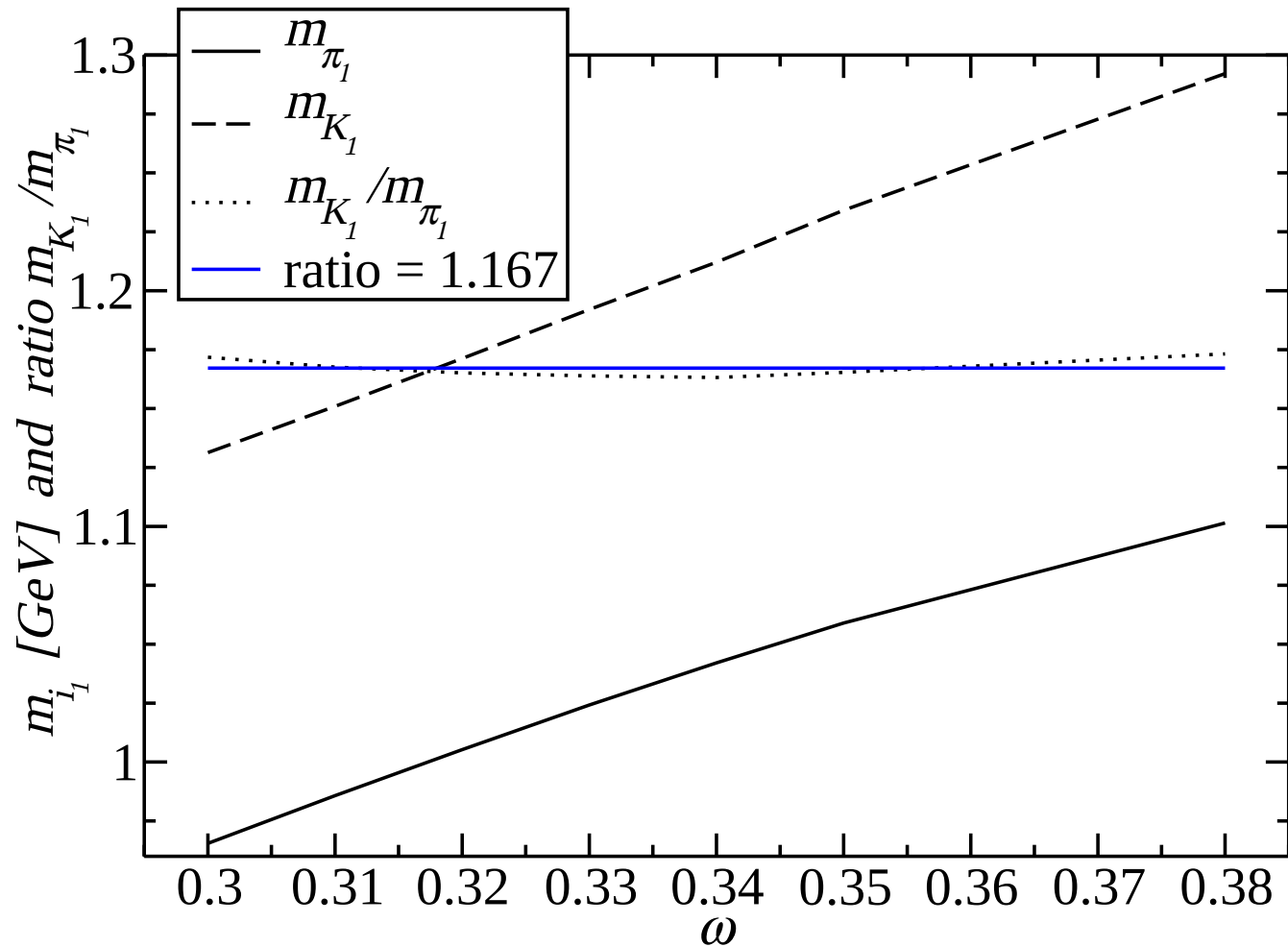
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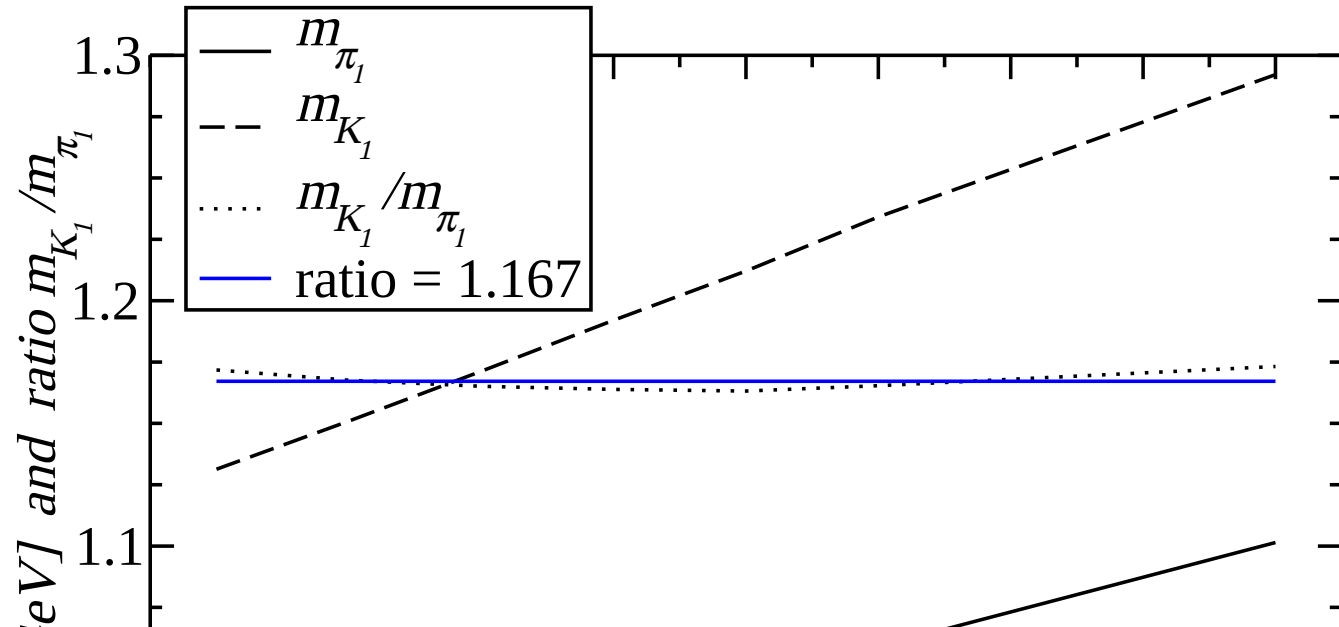
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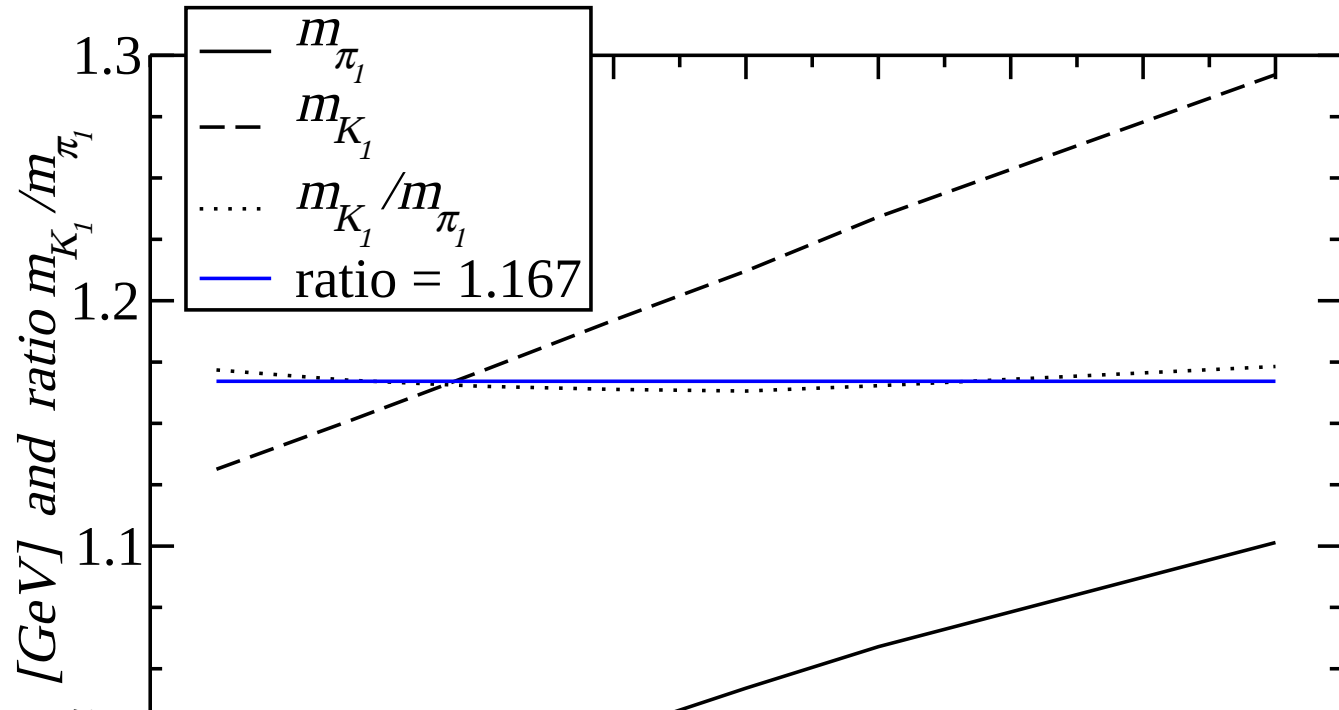


Consider ratio: $m_{K_{exc1}}/m_{\pi_{exc1}} = const \rightarrow$
estimate for $m_{K_{exc1}}$

via experimental mass of excited pion:

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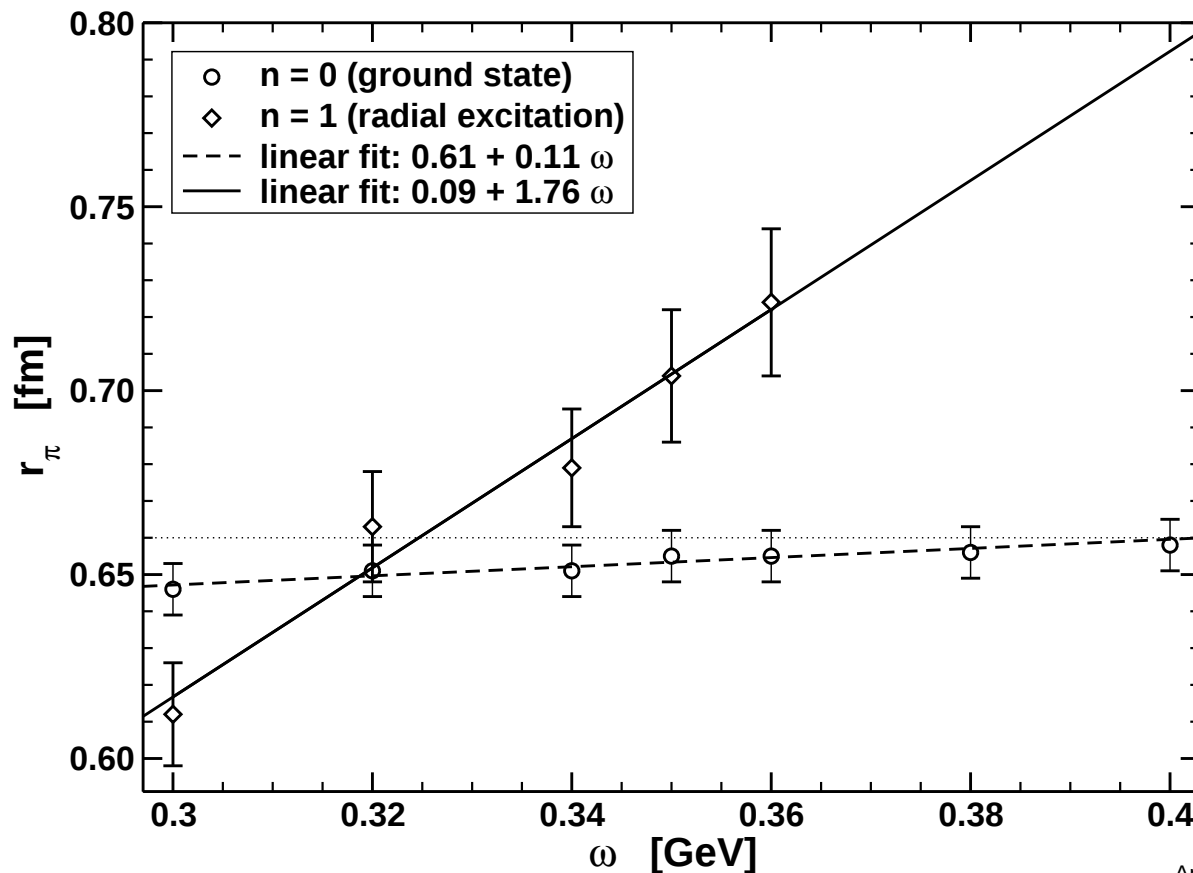


One more ratio: **leptonic decay constants:**

$$f_{K_{exc1}}/f_{\pi_{exc1}} \sim 10$$

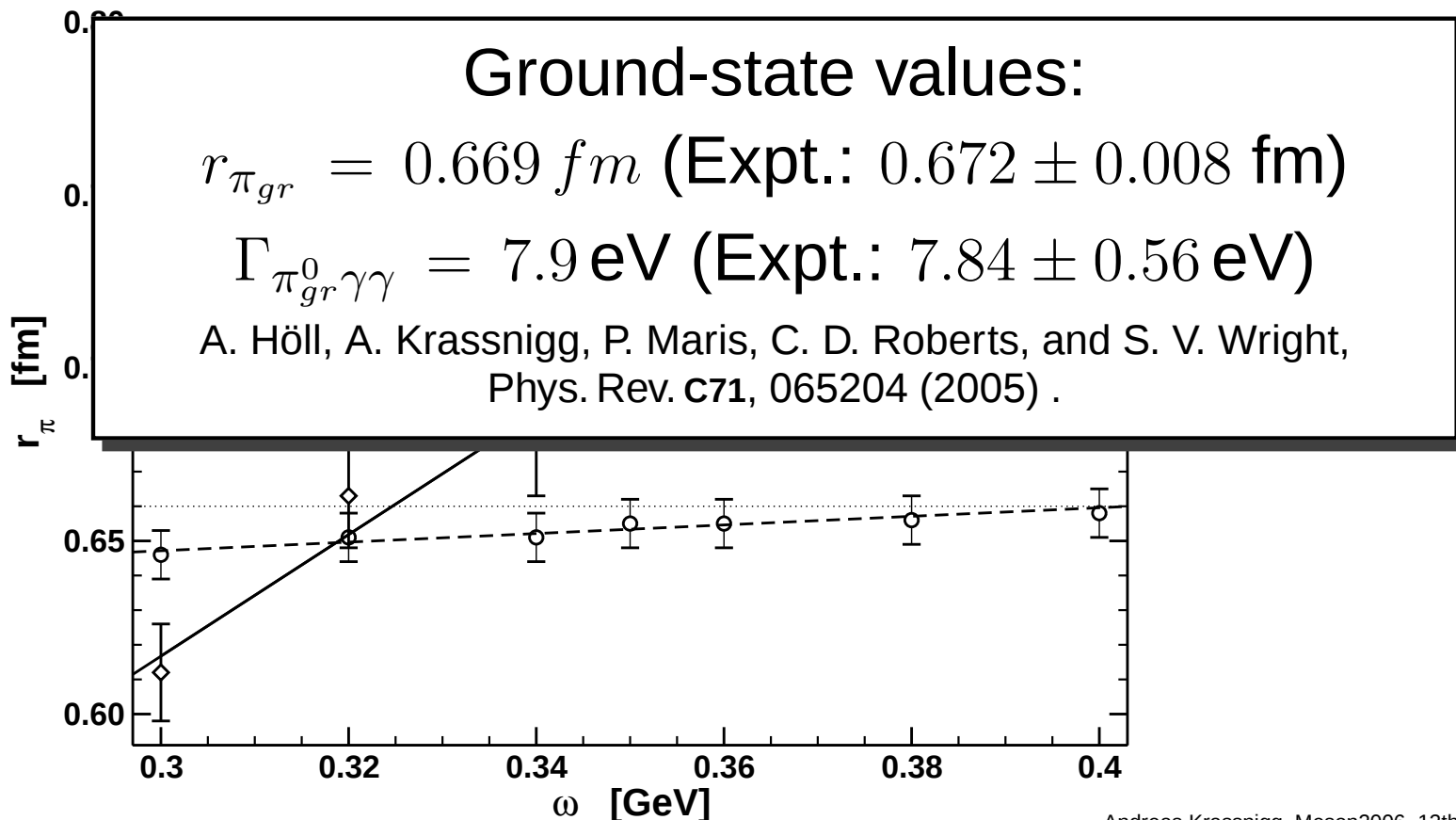
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- Progress **will be made**

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Thank you!