

Bootstrapping gauge theories (QCD)

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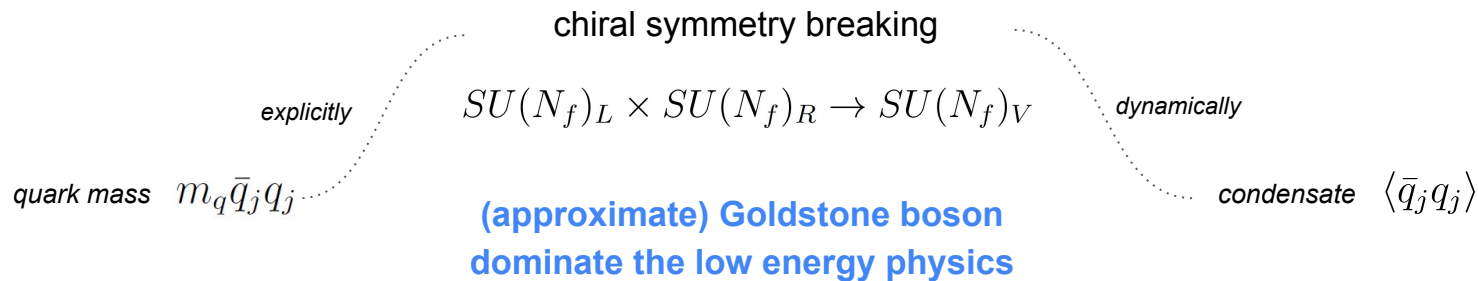
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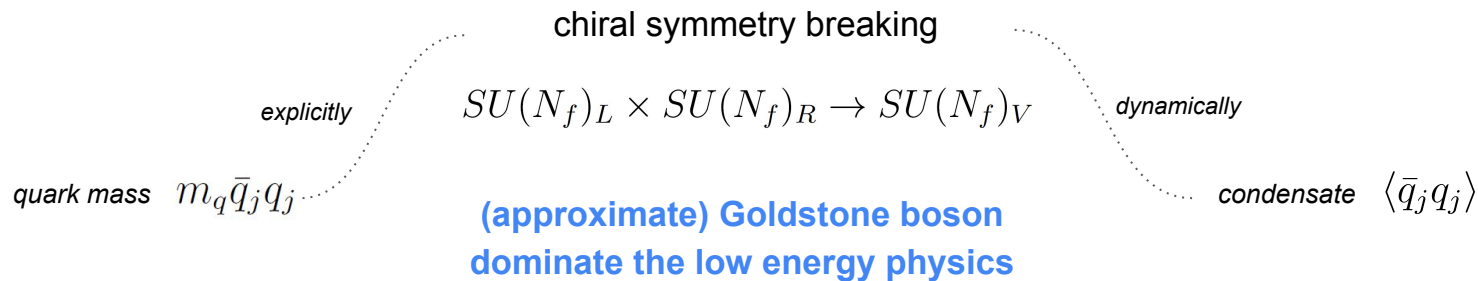
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What is the low energy physics?

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explicitly

$$SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R \rightarrow SU(N_f)_V$$

dynamically

quark mass $m_q \bar{q}_j q_j$

condensate $\langle \bar{q}_j q_j \rangle$

**(approximate) Goldstone boson
dominate the low energy physics**

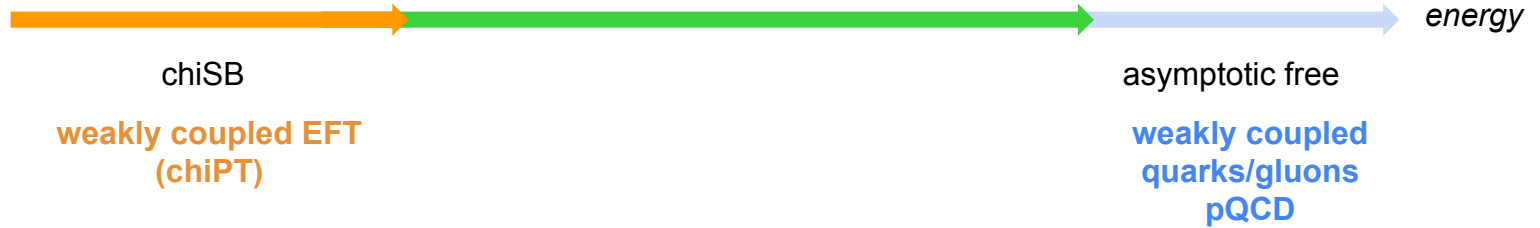
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very low energy – effective Lagrangian (lowest order):

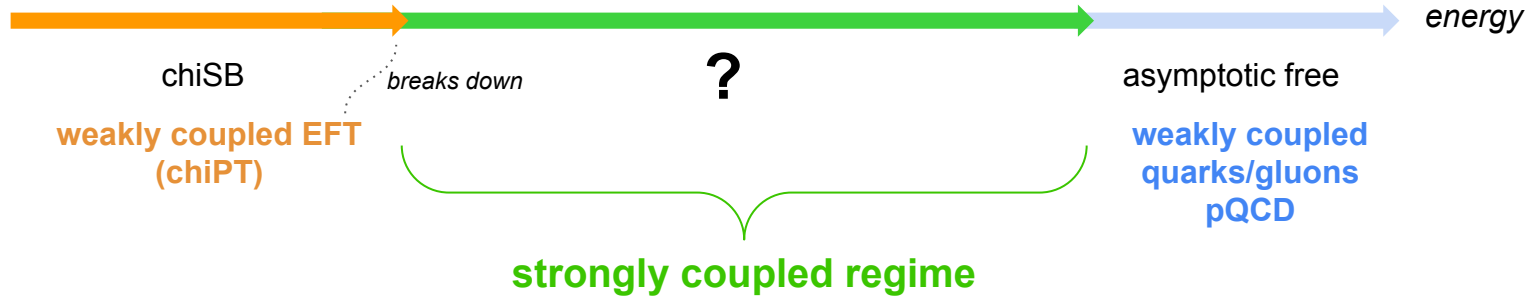
$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{f_{\pi}^2}{4} \left\{ \text{Tr} (\partial_{\mu} U \partial^{\mu} U^{\dagger}) + m_{\pi}^2 \text{Tr} (U + U^{\dagger}) \right\}$$

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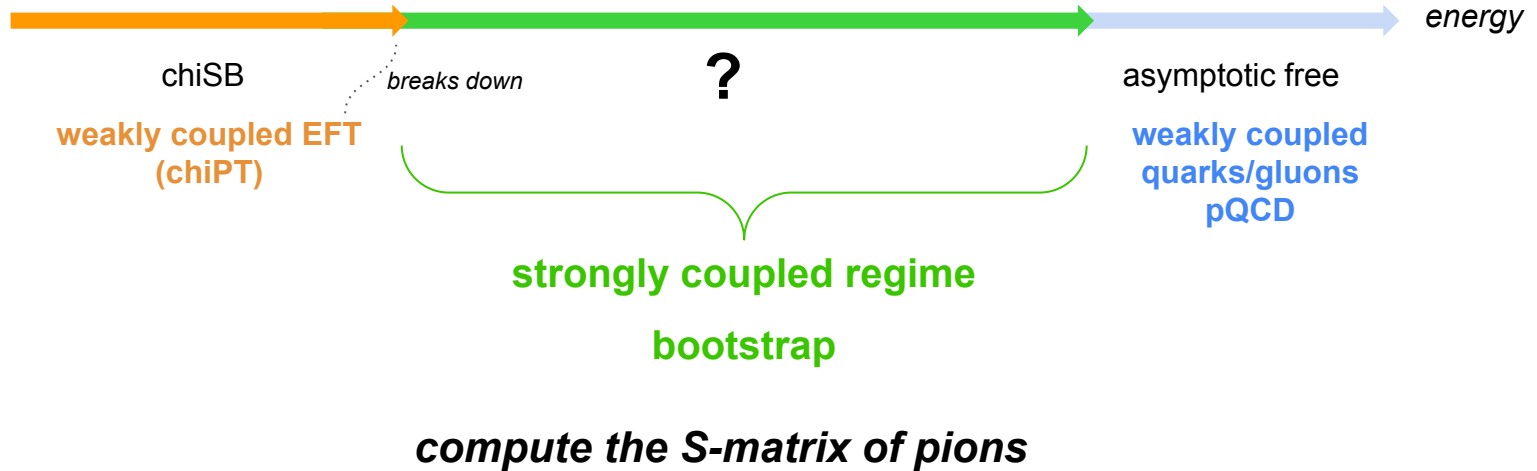
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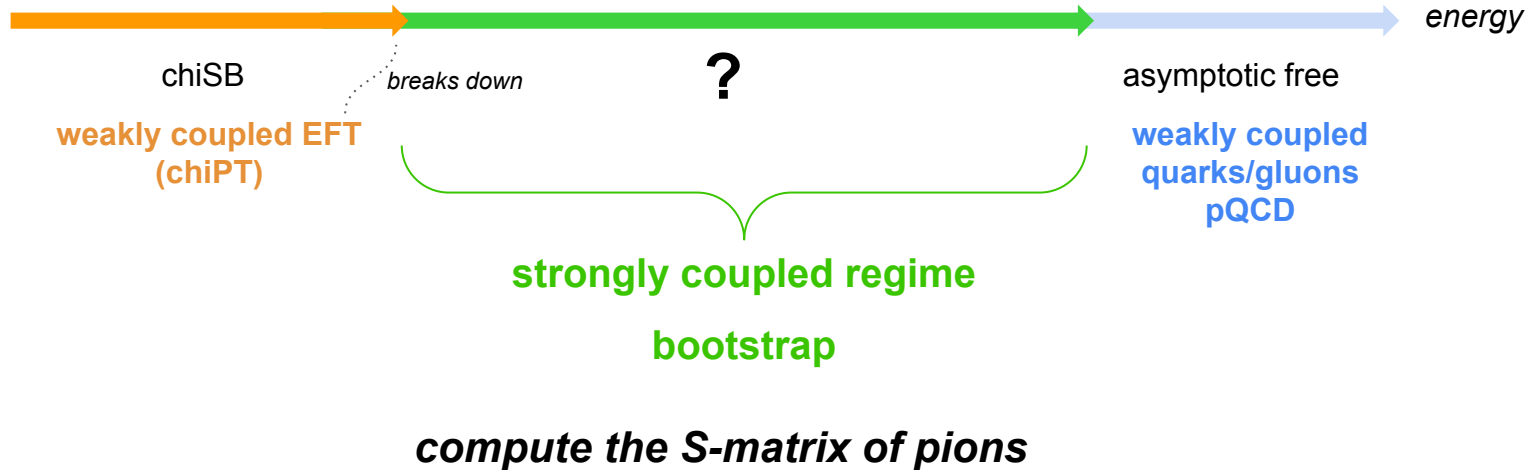
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rules of the game: chiral symmetry breaking, confinement, gauge theory parameters
as few as possible low energy parameters

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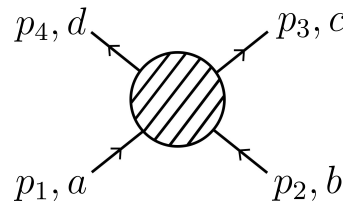
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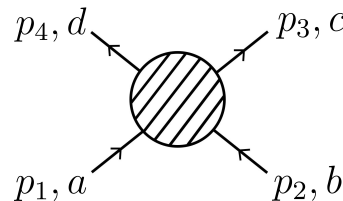
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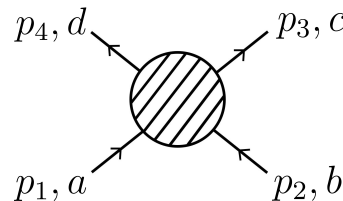
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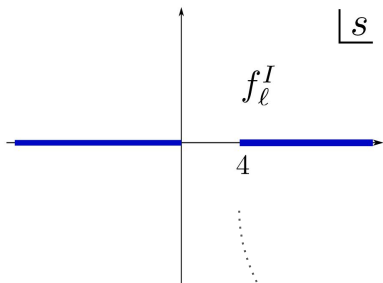
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parameters: $T_0, \sigma_{\alpha=1,2}(x), \rho_{\alpha=1,2}(x, y)$

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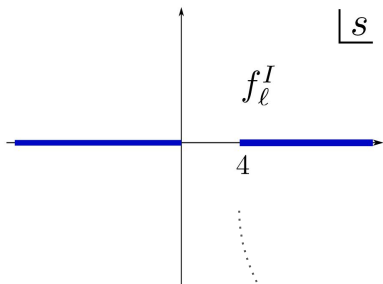
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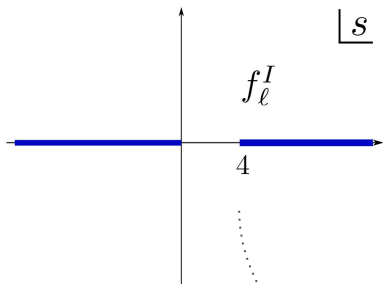
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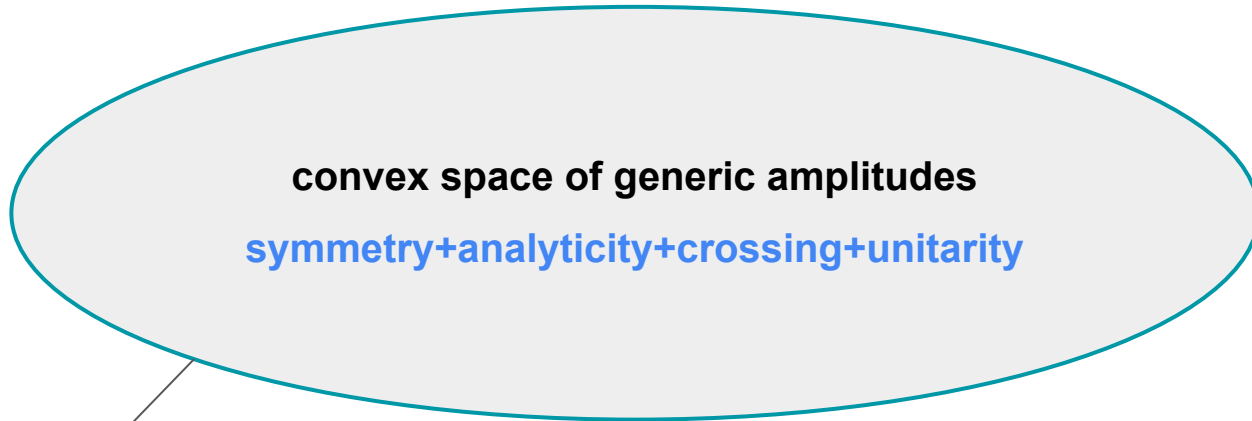
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positive semidefinite \rightarrow convex space of amplitudes

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convex optimization

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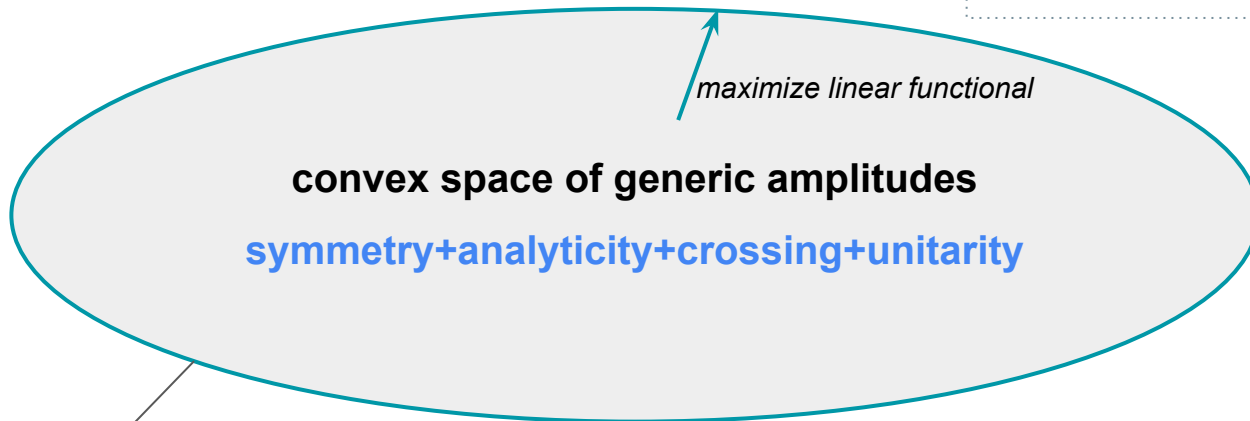


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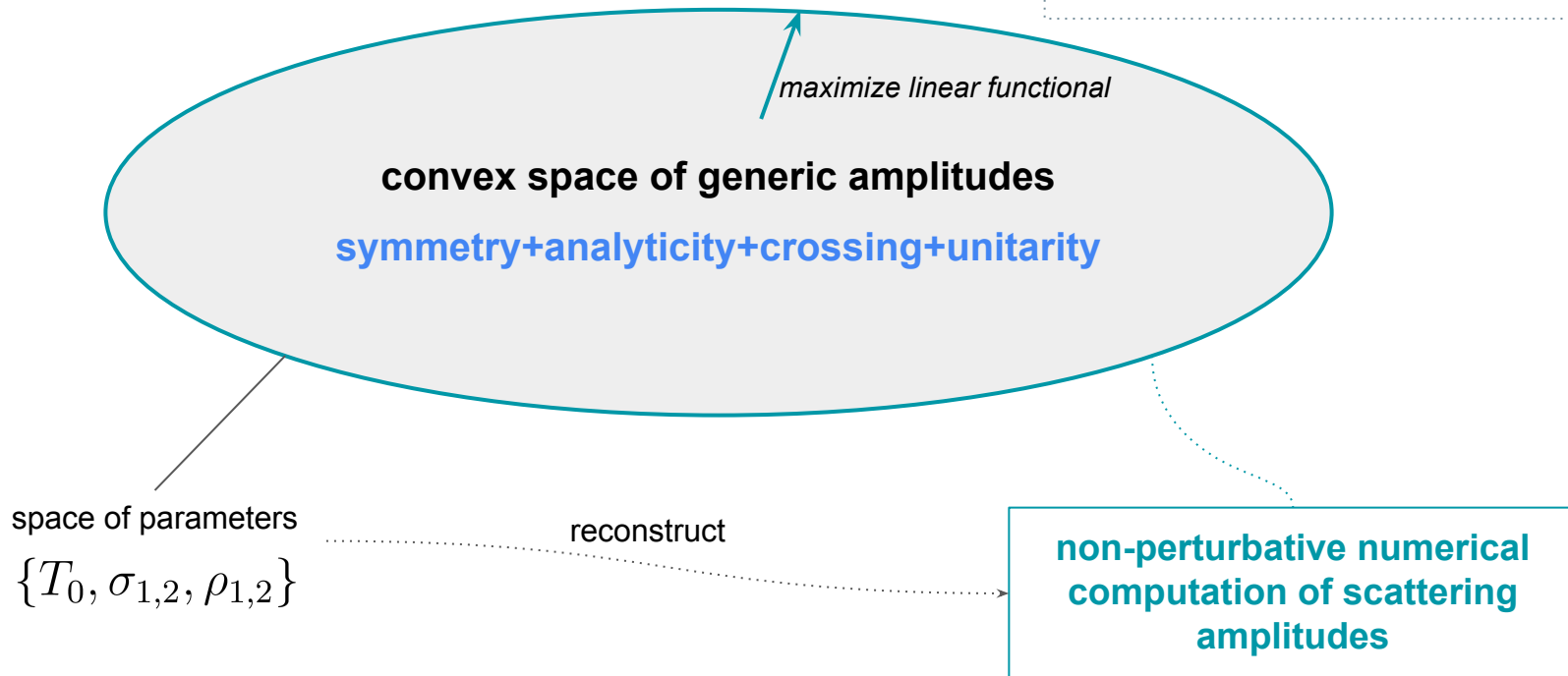


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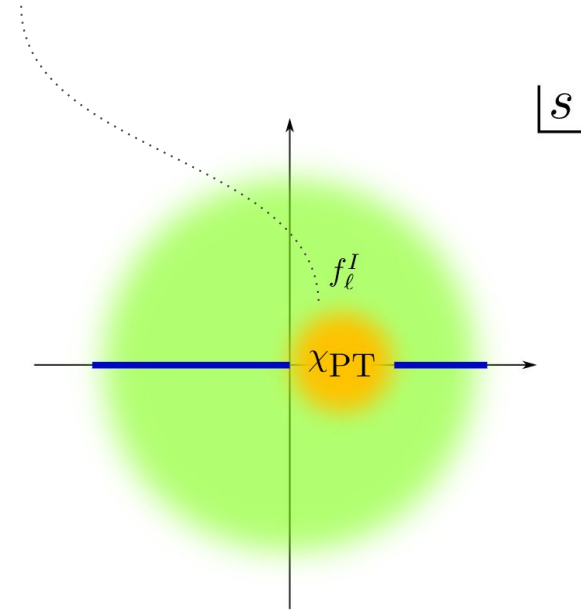


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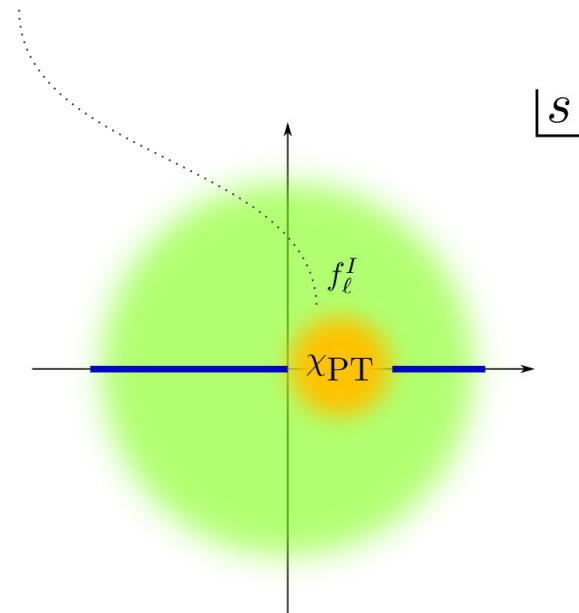
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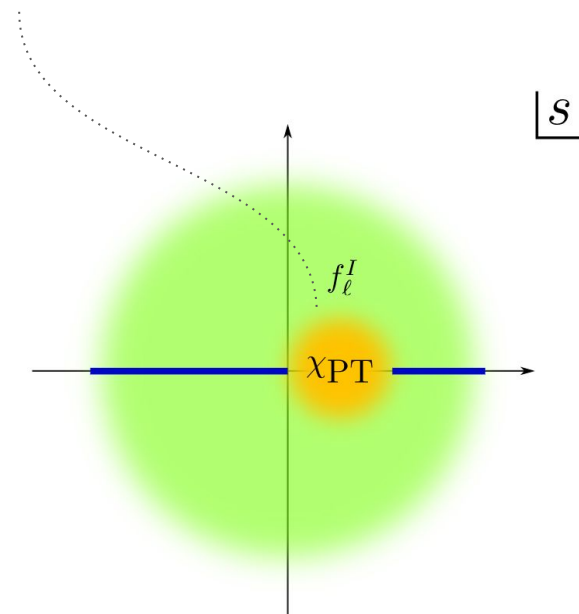
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can consider various values of the pion decay constant f_π

approximate linearity to be valid: $\lambda_{\text{eff}} \sim \frac{s}{f_\pi^2}$ small in the subthreshold region $0 < s < 4m_\pi^2 \implies f_\pi/m_\pi$ bounded from below



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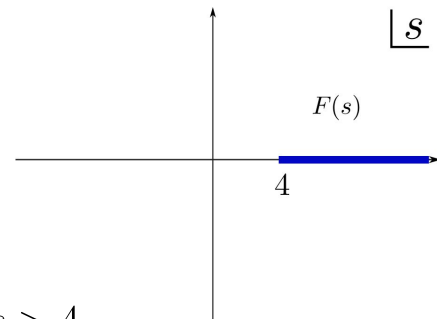
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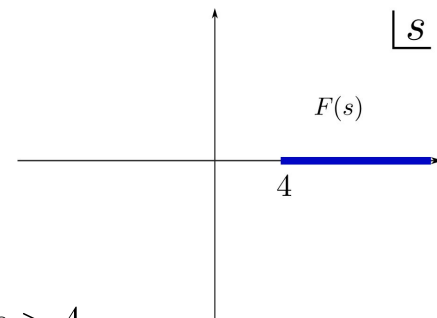
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2d applications: bound UV central charge

allow connection with UV theory

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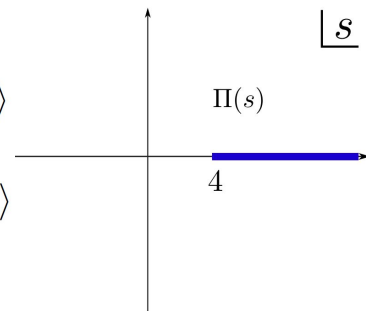
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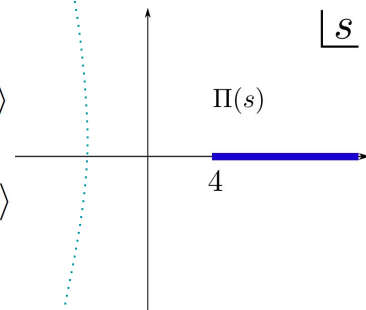
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large spacelike momenta — asymptotic free region with pQCD computation

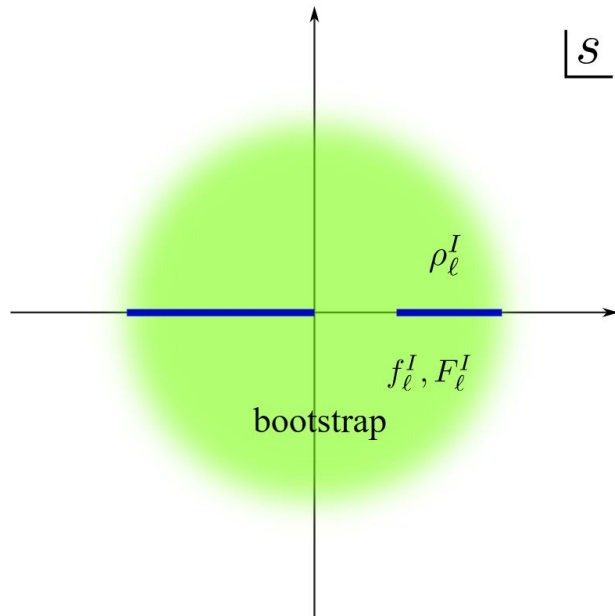
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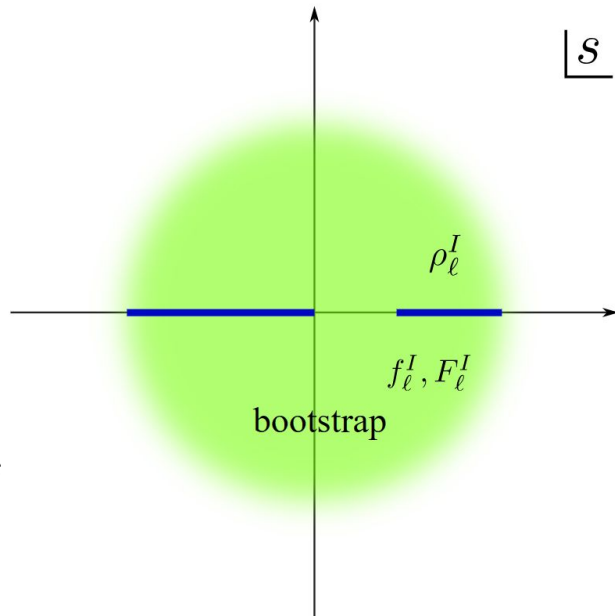
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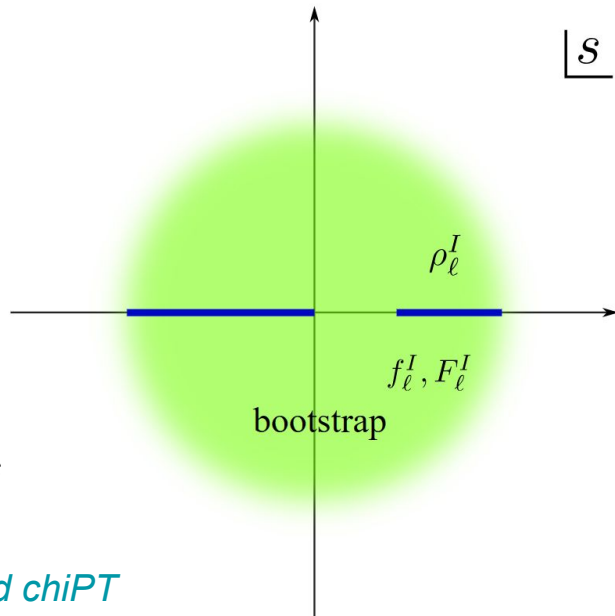
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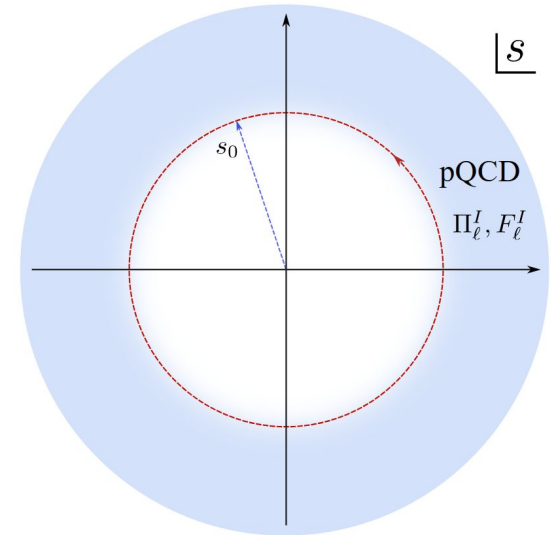
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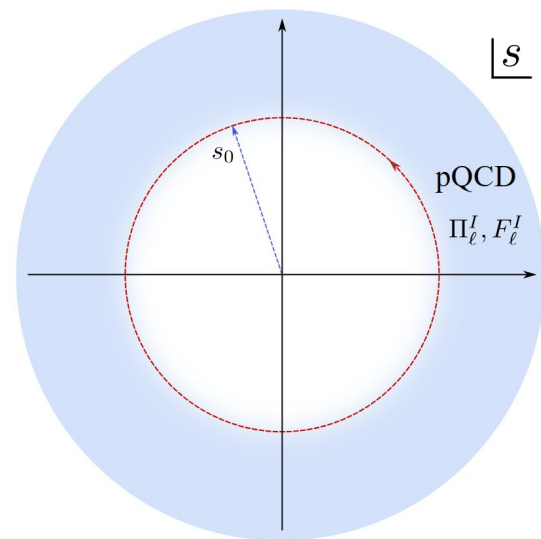
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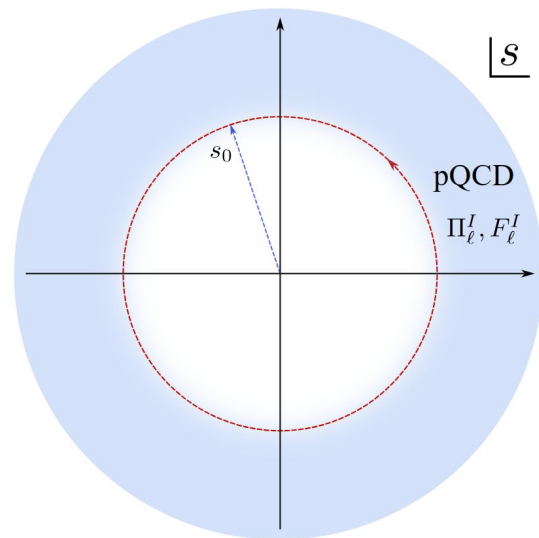
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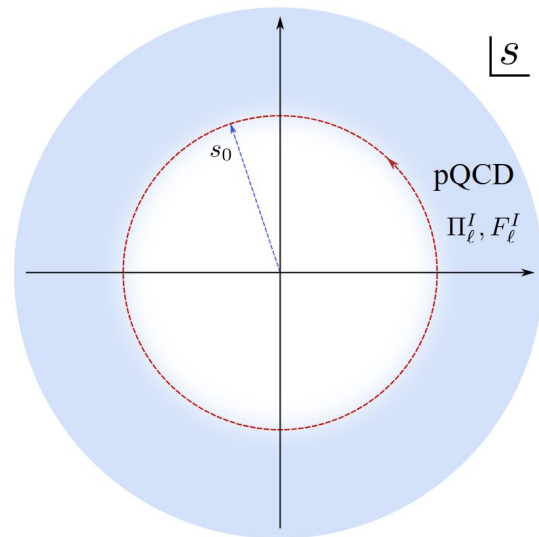
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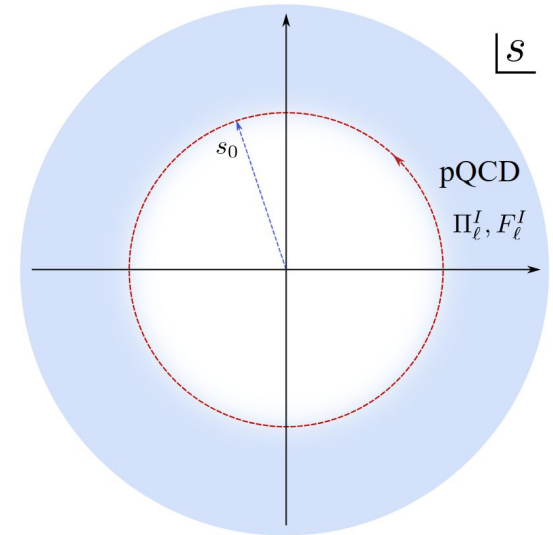
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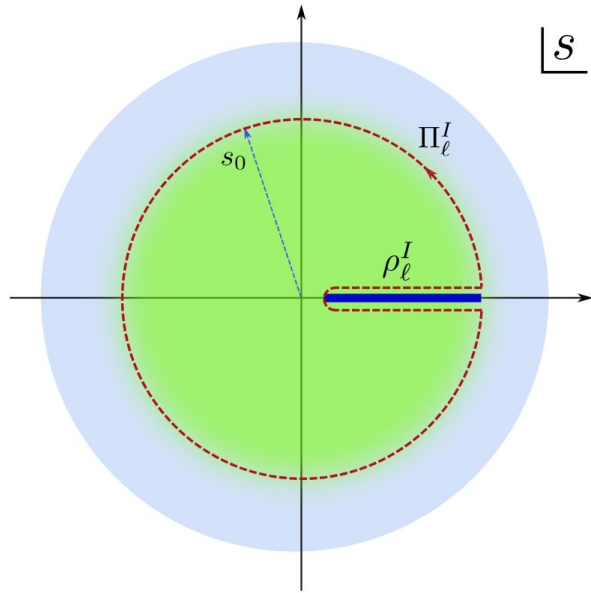


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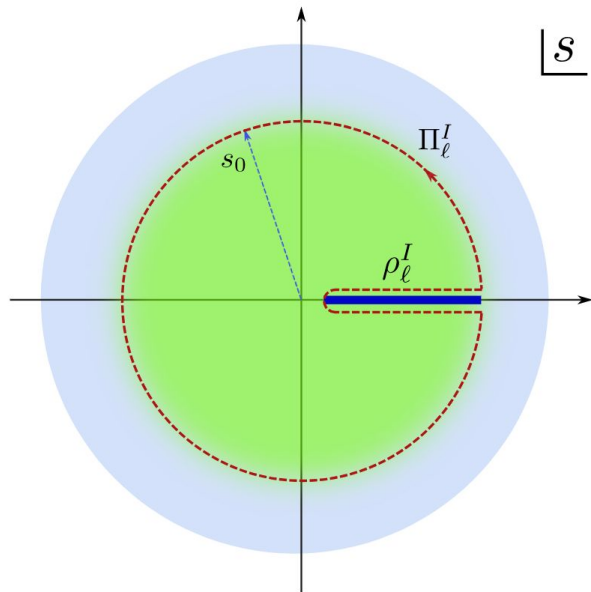
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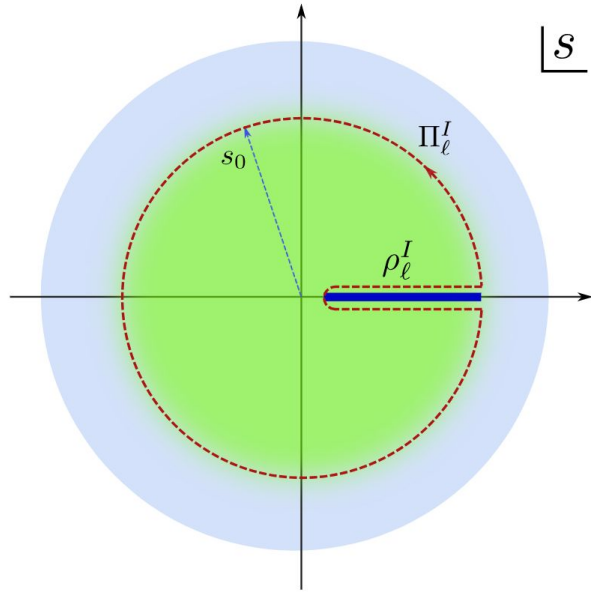
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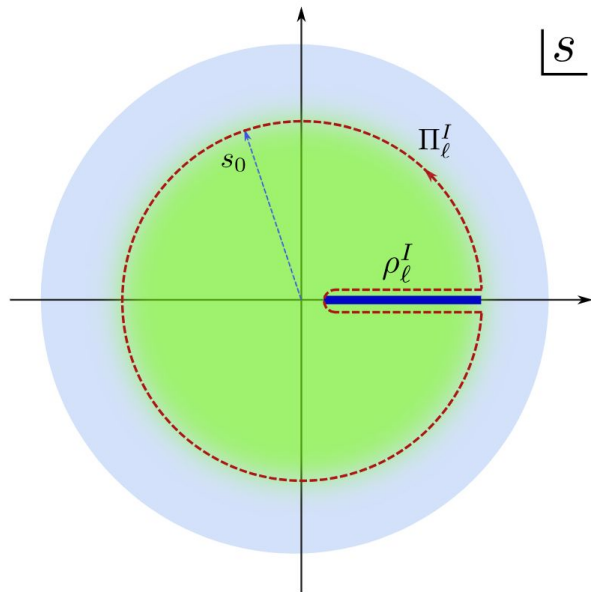
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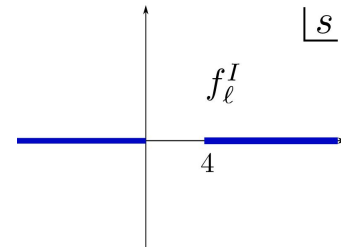
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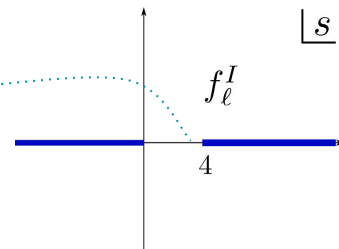
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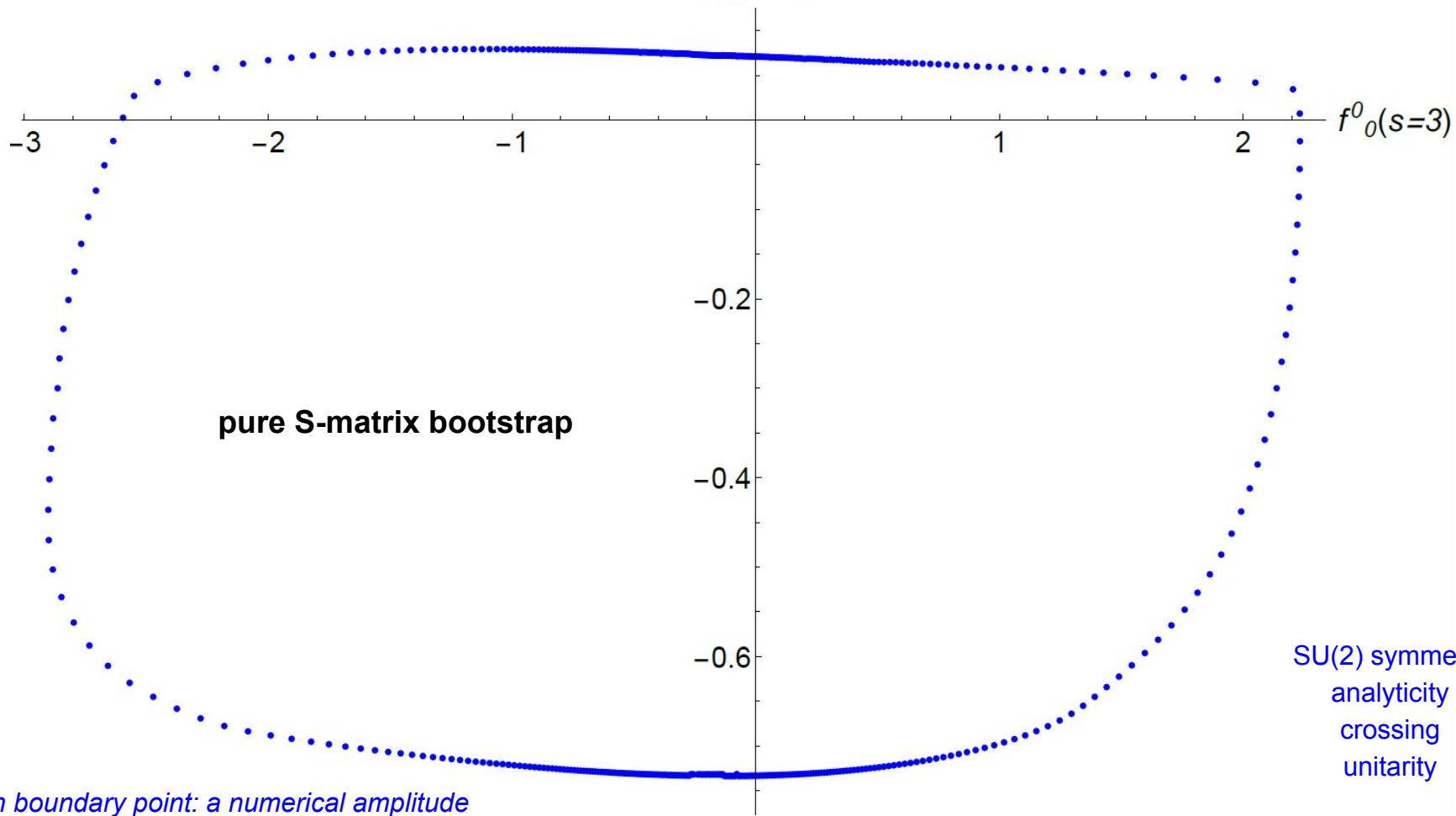
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symmetry, analyticity, crossing, unitarity

boundary: non-perturbative computation of amplitudes

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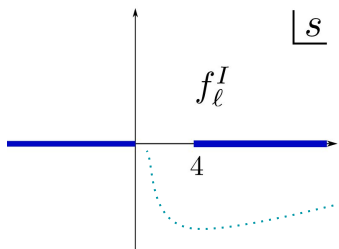


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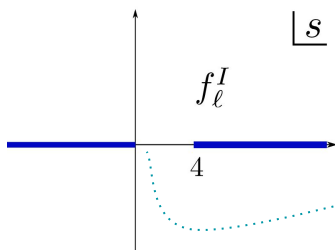


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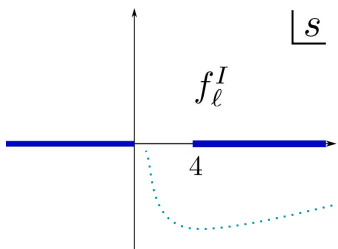
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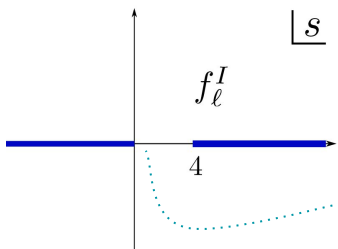
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numerics 2: in practice, only 4 points $s \leq 2$

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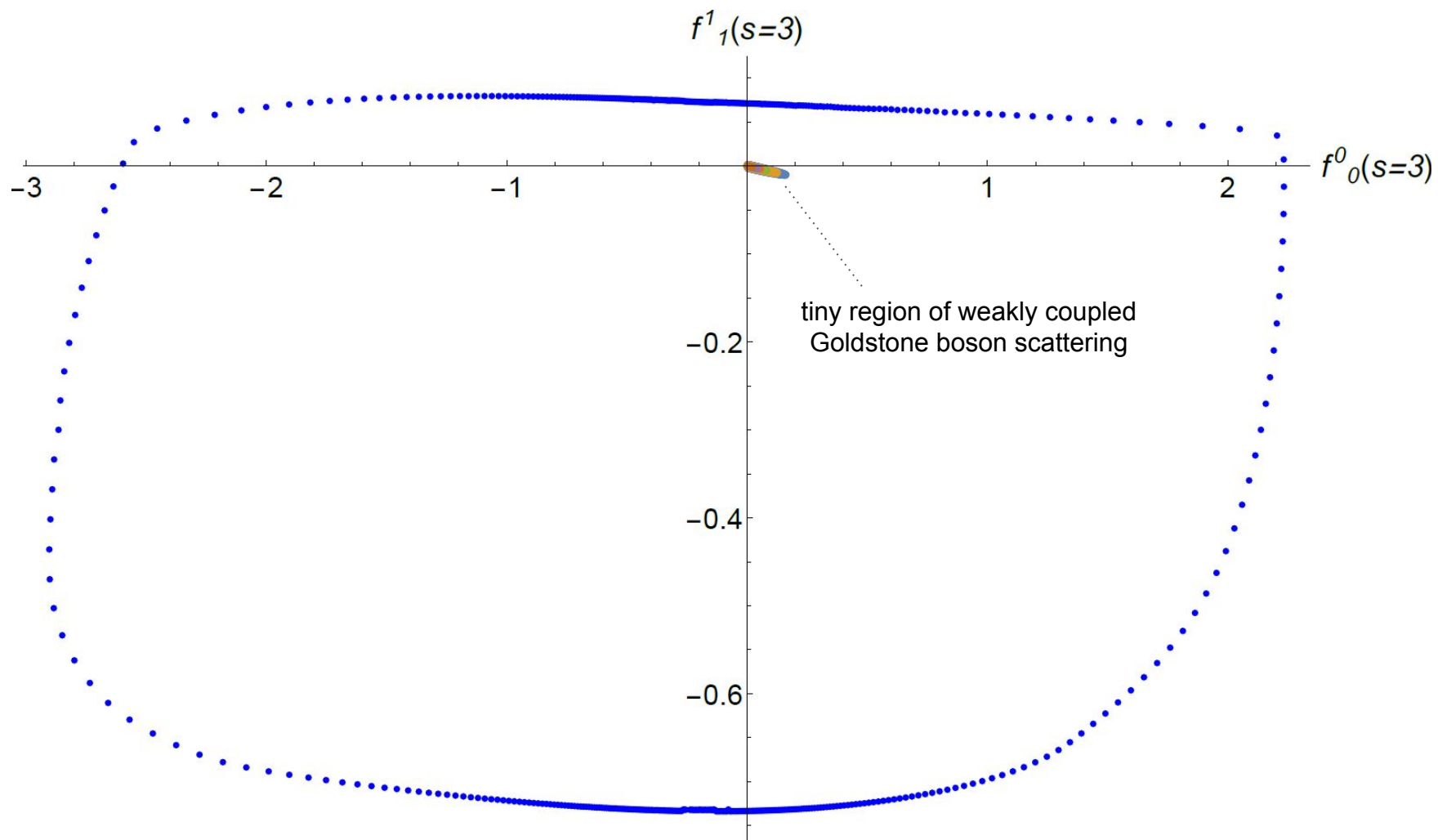
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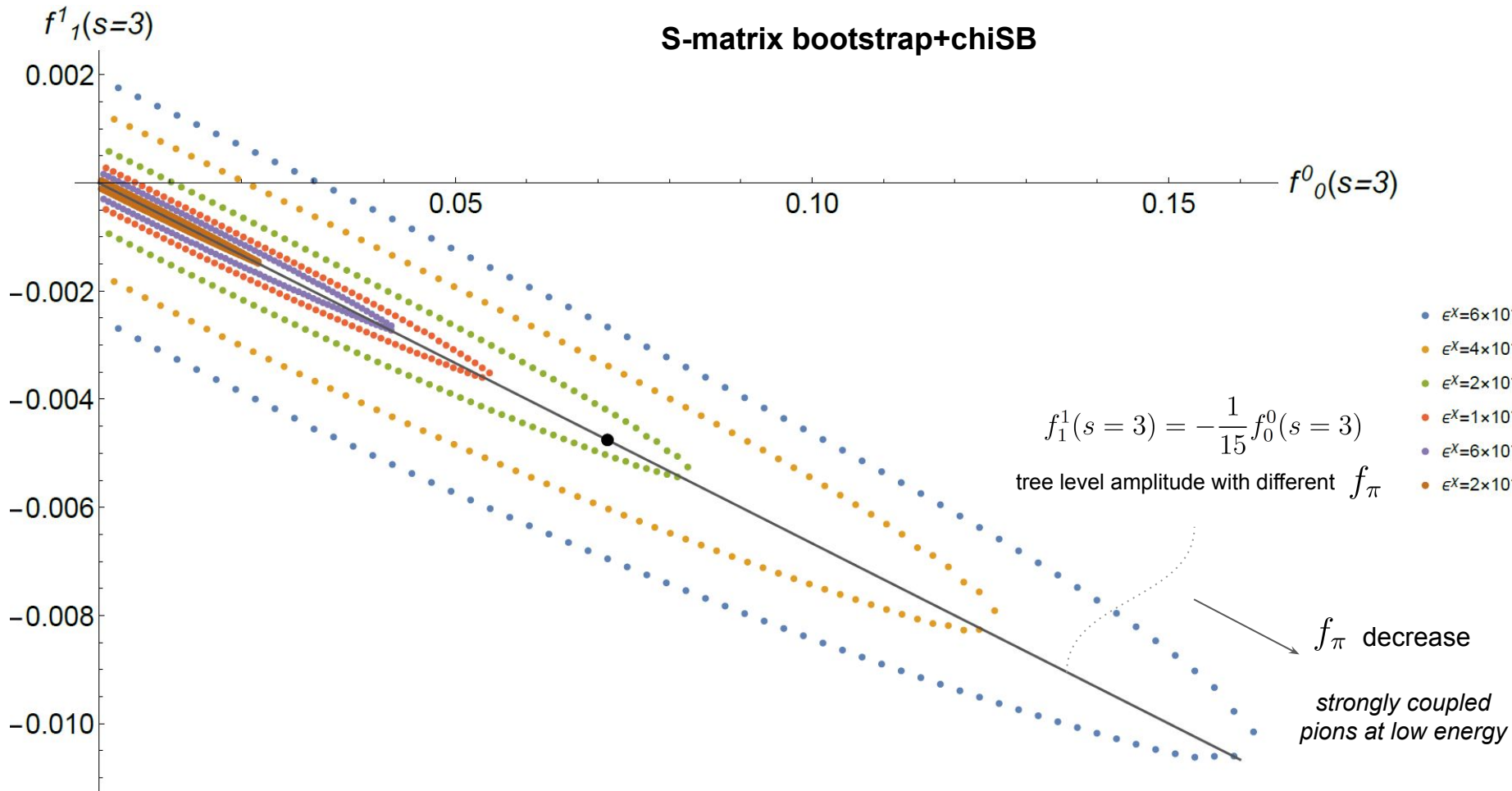
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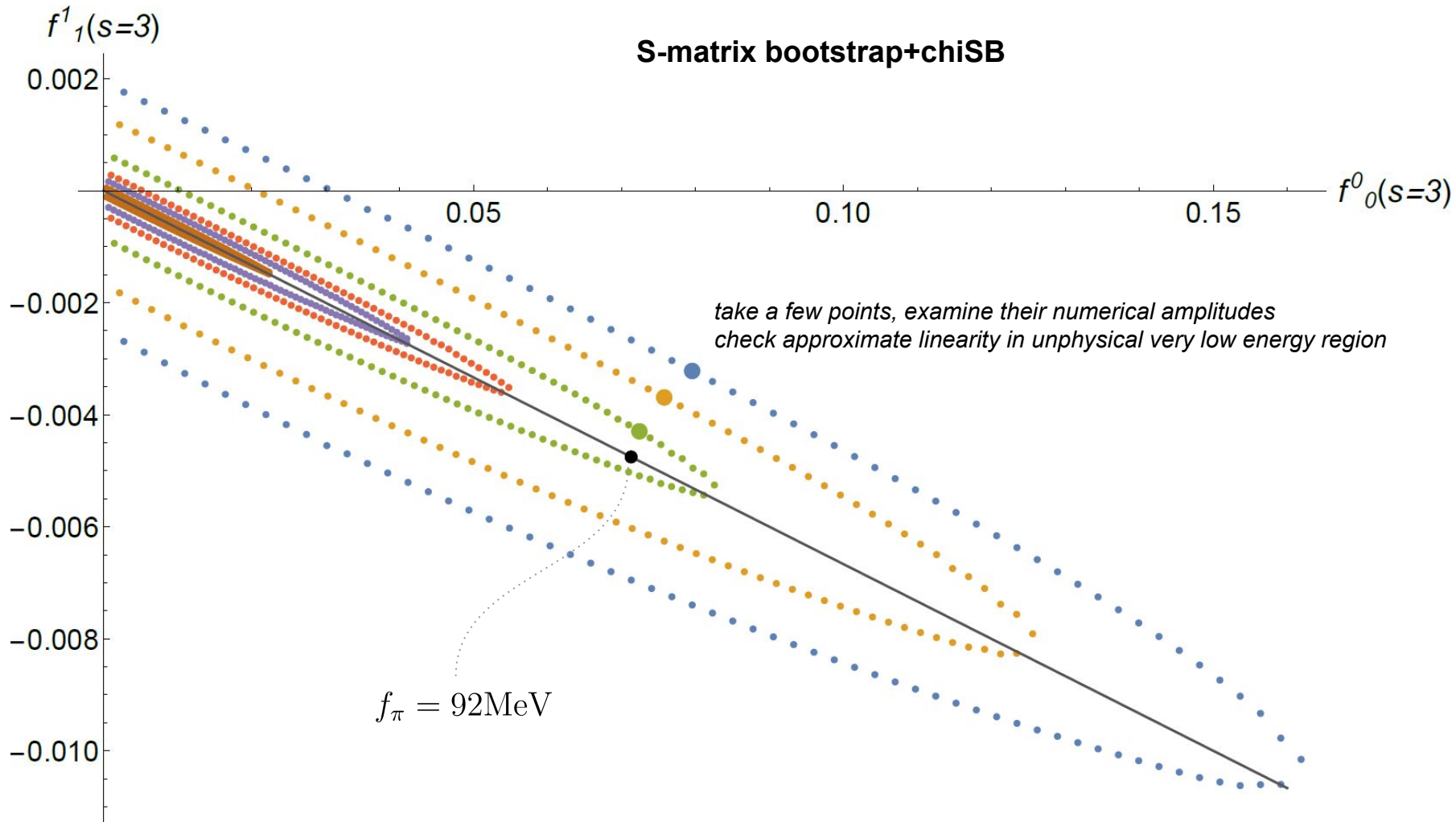
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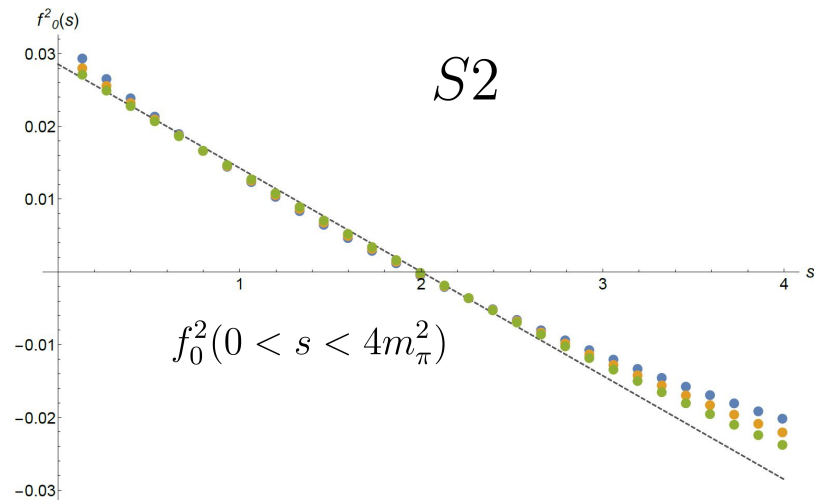
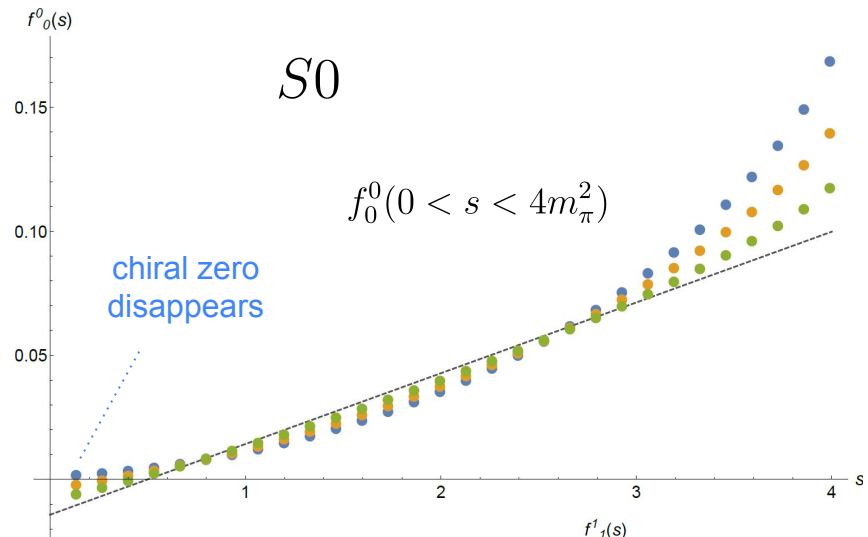


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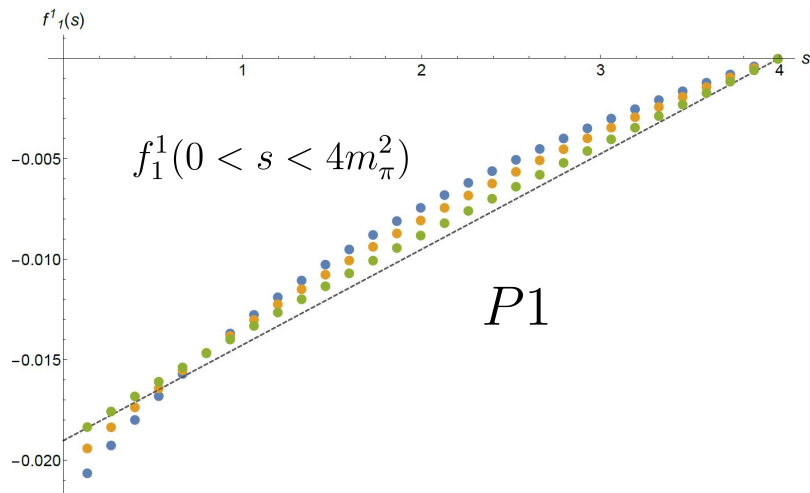


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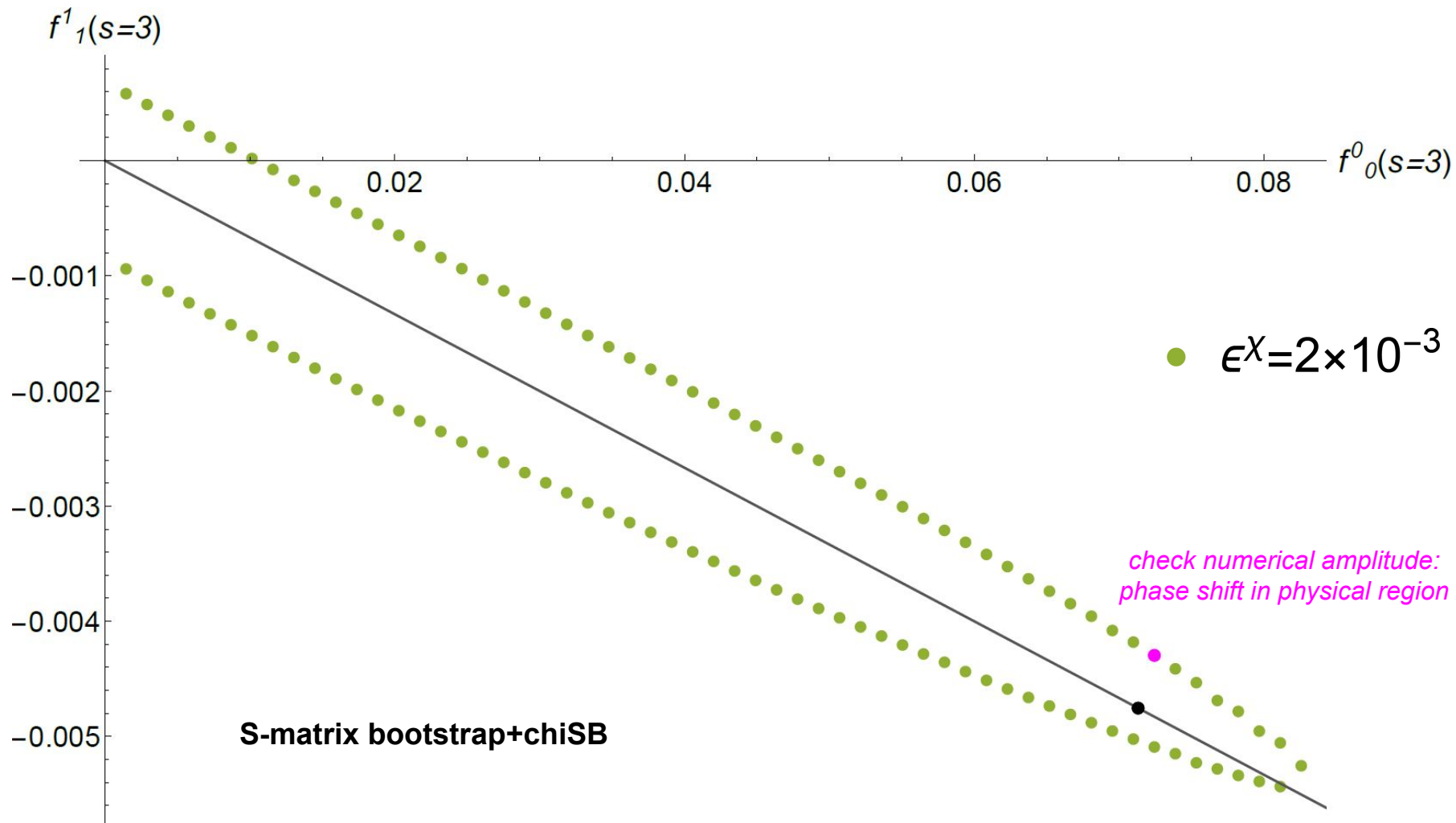
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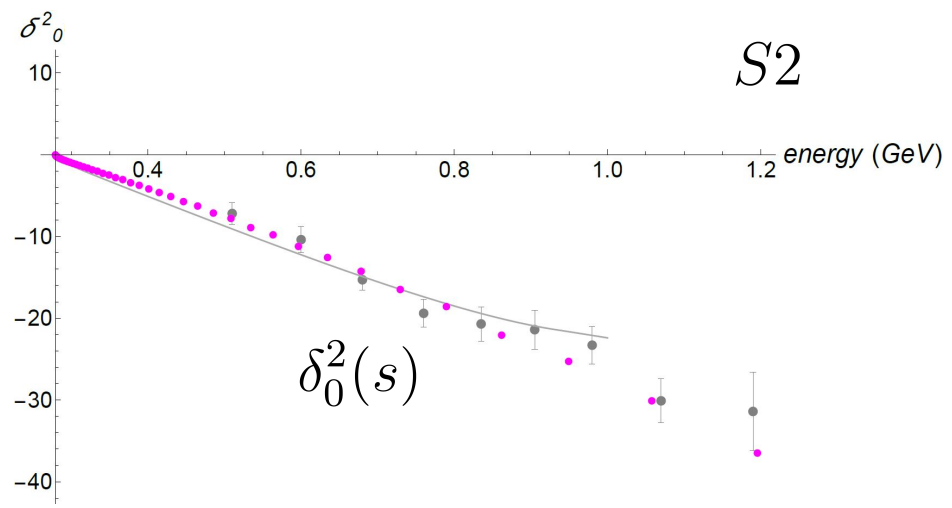
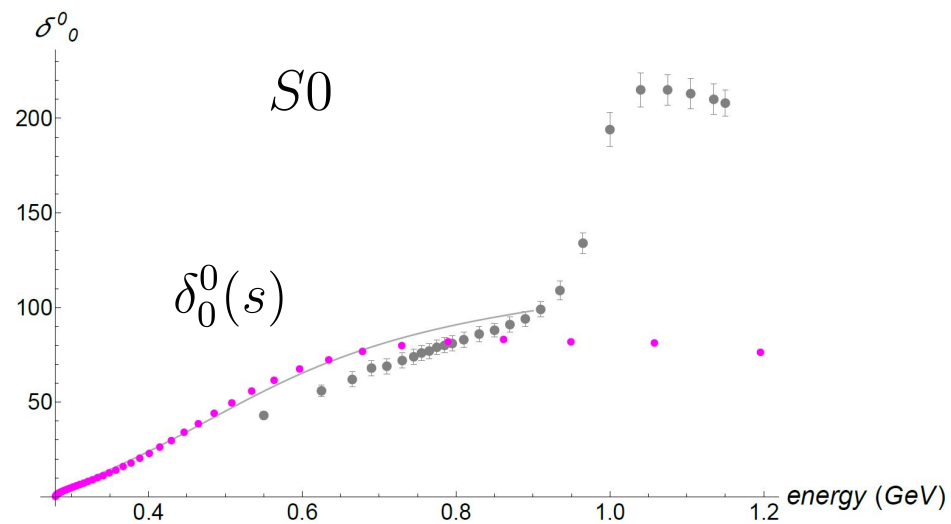
$$f_\pi = 92\text{MeV}$$



- $\epsilon^X = 6 \times 10^{-3}$
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$$0 < s < 4m_\pi^2$$

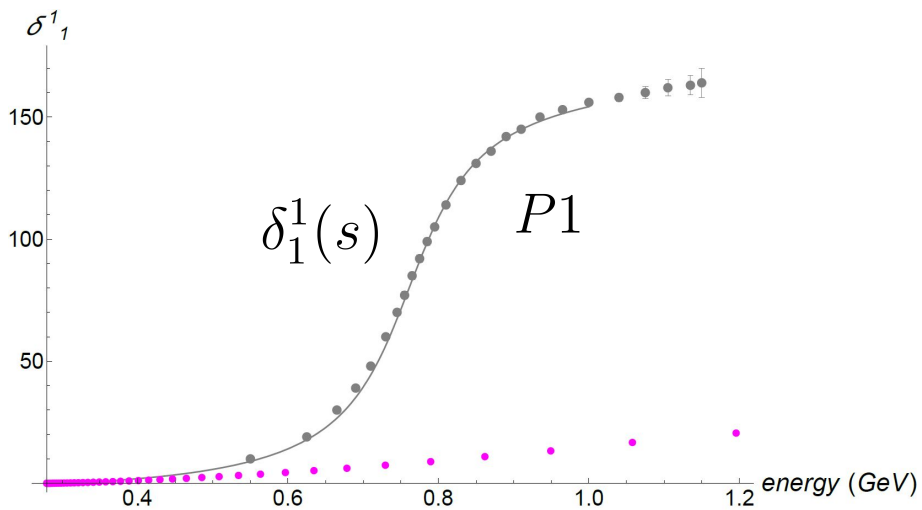


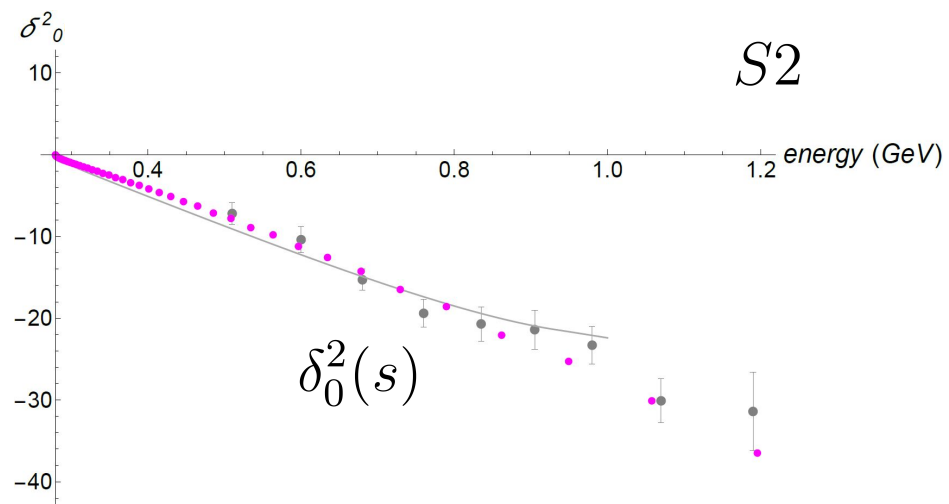
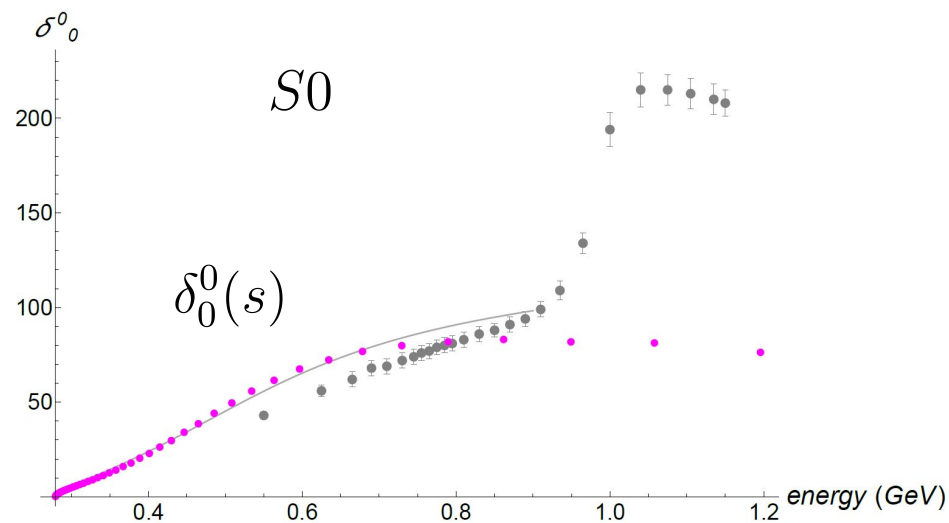


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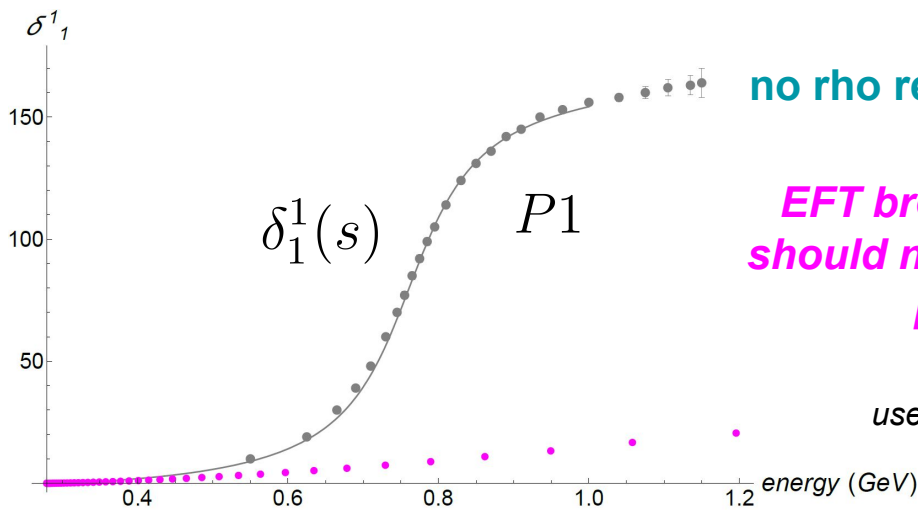


good $S0$ $S2$ waves, from EFT+unitarity

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no rho resonance without UV info

makes sense
EFT breaks down at rho mass
should not expect to get rho with
purely EFT input

use same ϵ^χ for imposing SR next

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discretize integral
2 sum rules/p.w.
 impose with tolerance ϵ^{SR}

too loose:
 uv info does not enter

too tight:
 infeasible

numerically: tune down before bootstrap becomes infeasible

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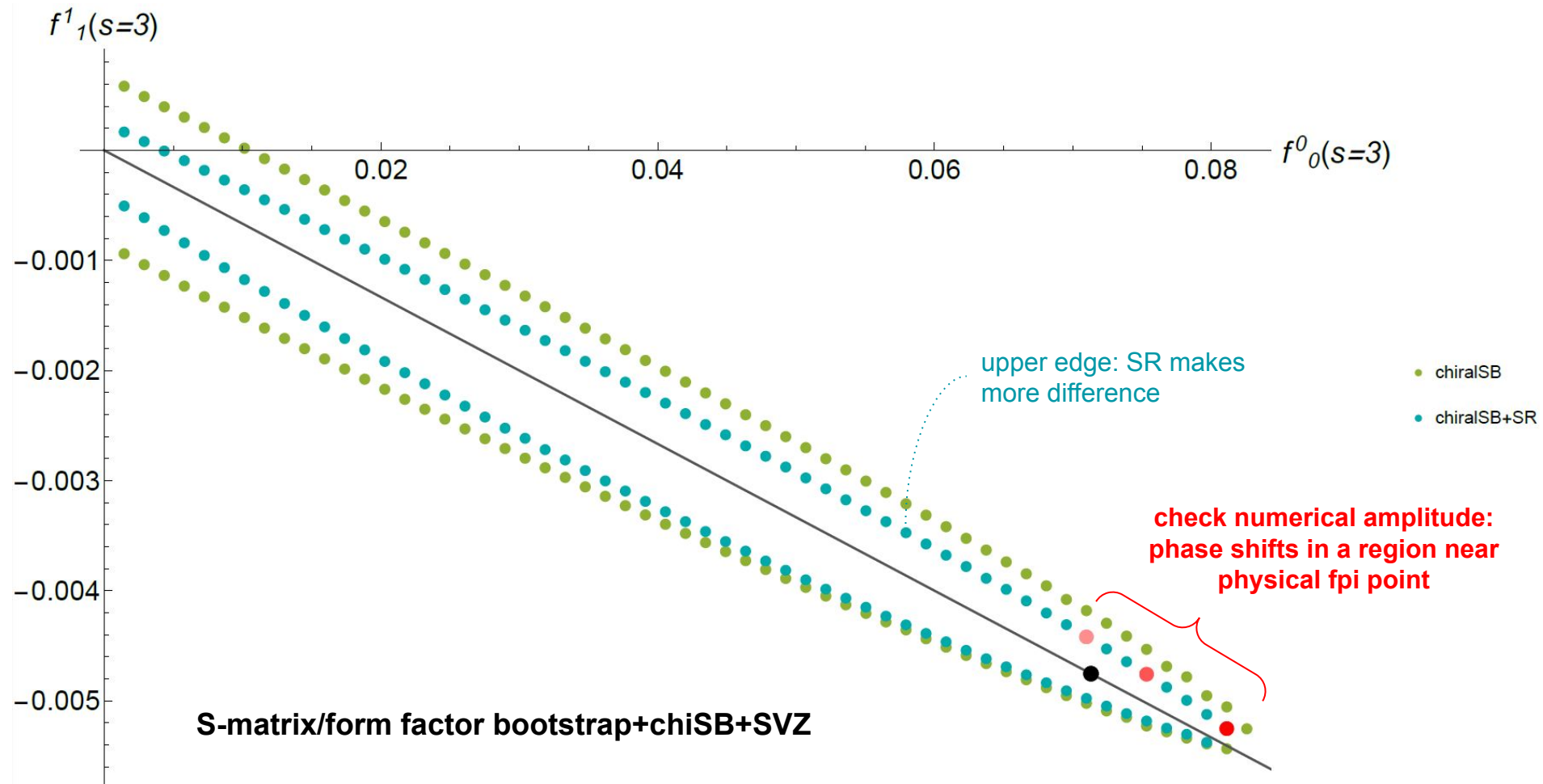
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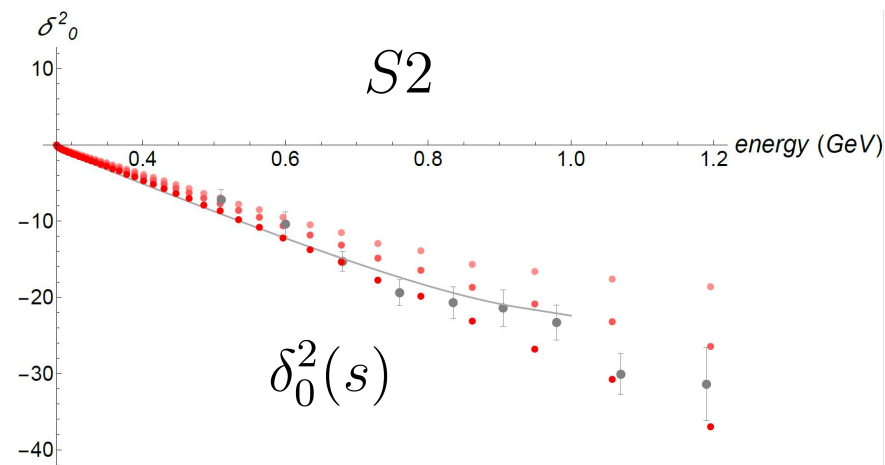
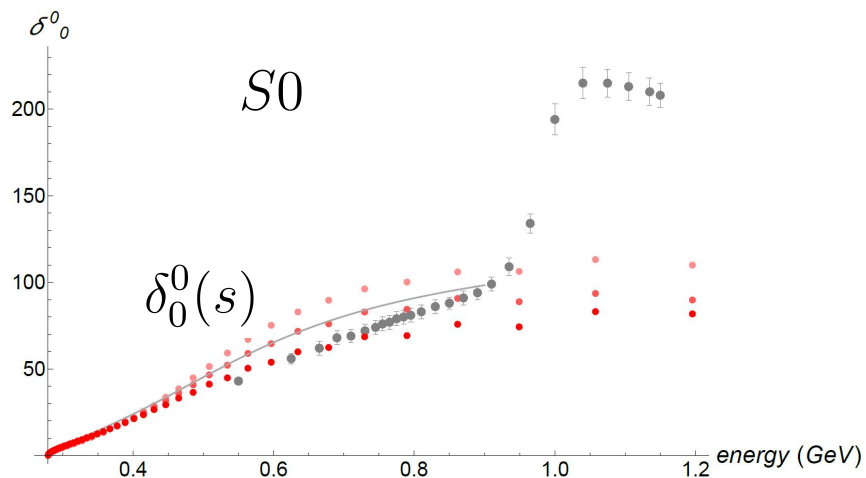
$$\mathcal{O}(10^{-2}) \lesssim |F_\pi(s \geq s_0)| \lesssim \mathcal{O}(10^0)$$

underestimate from asymptotics FF

overestimate from spectral density

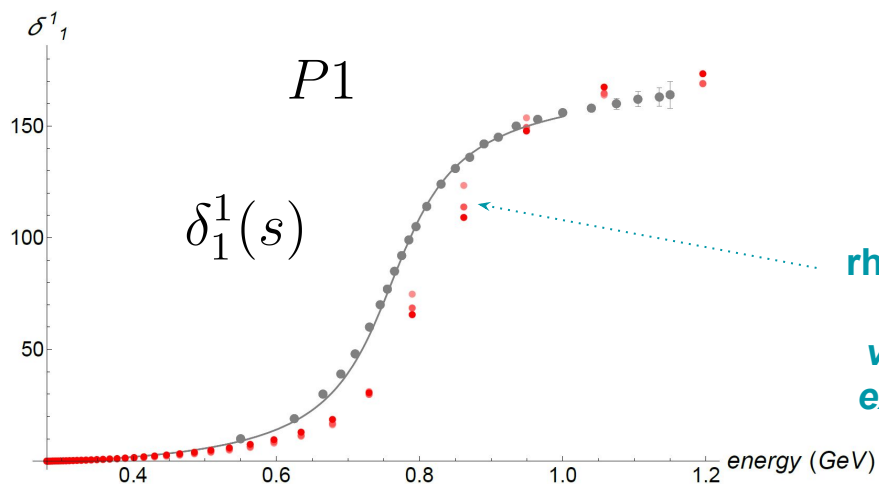
$$|\mathcal{F}|^2 \leq \rho$$





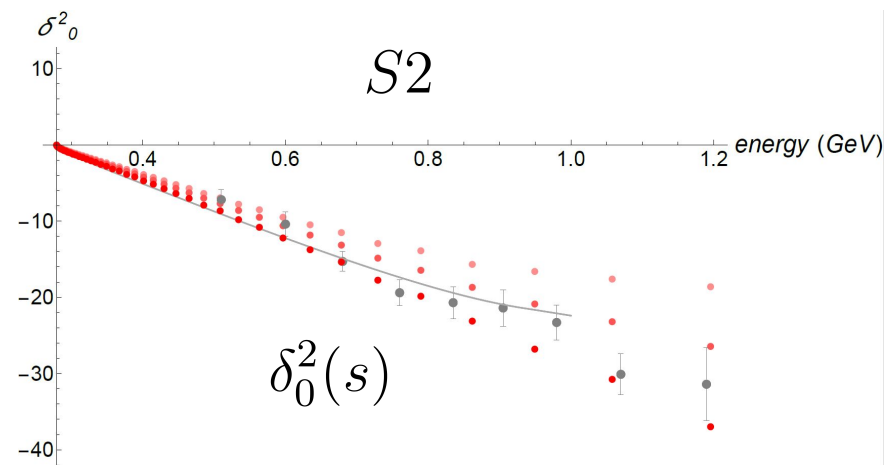
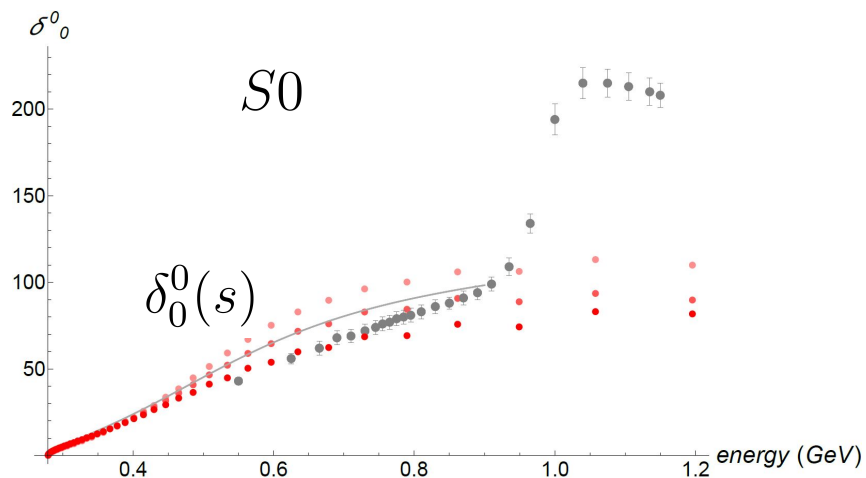
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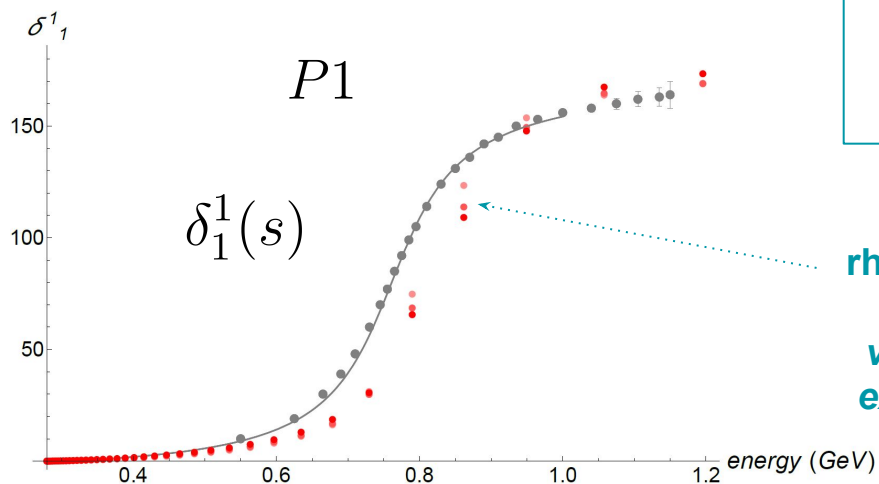
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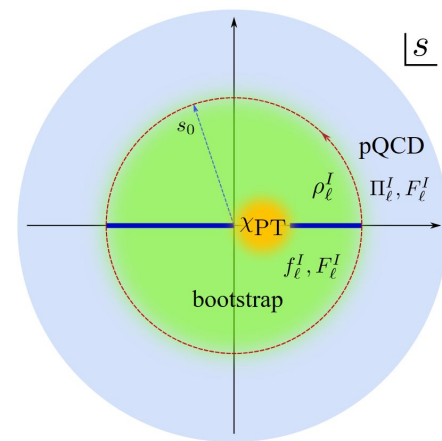
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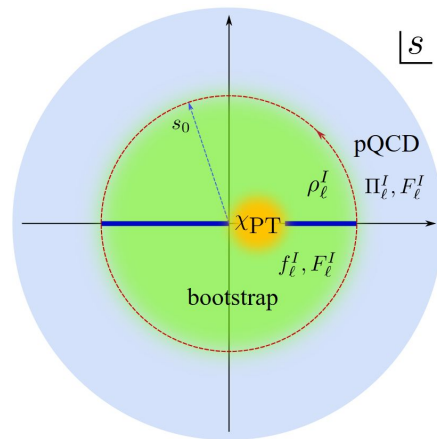
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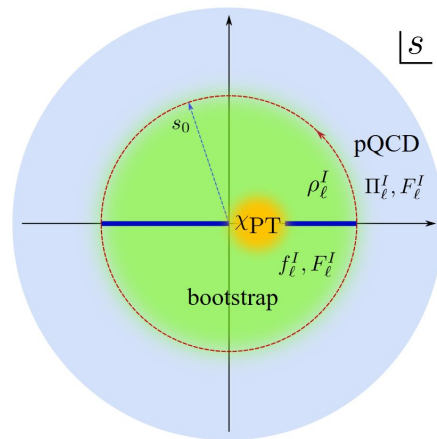
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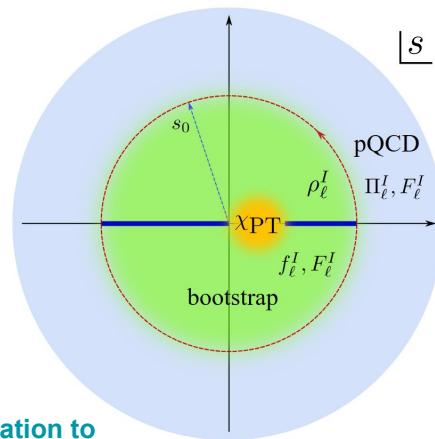
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