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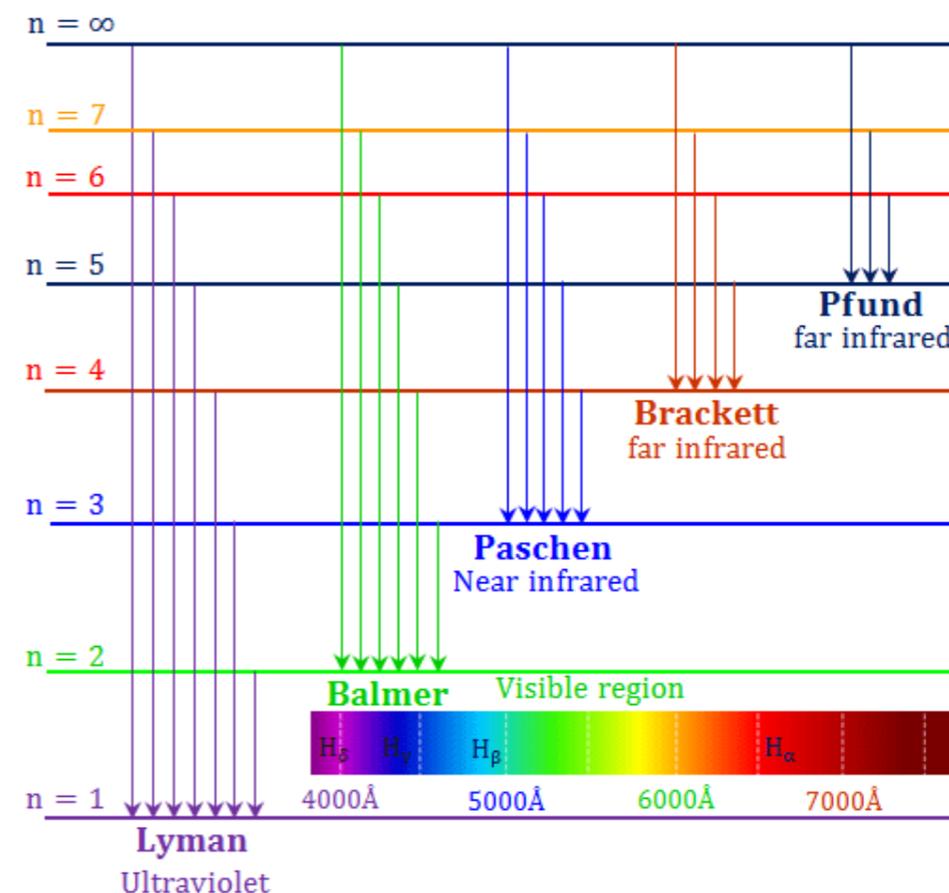
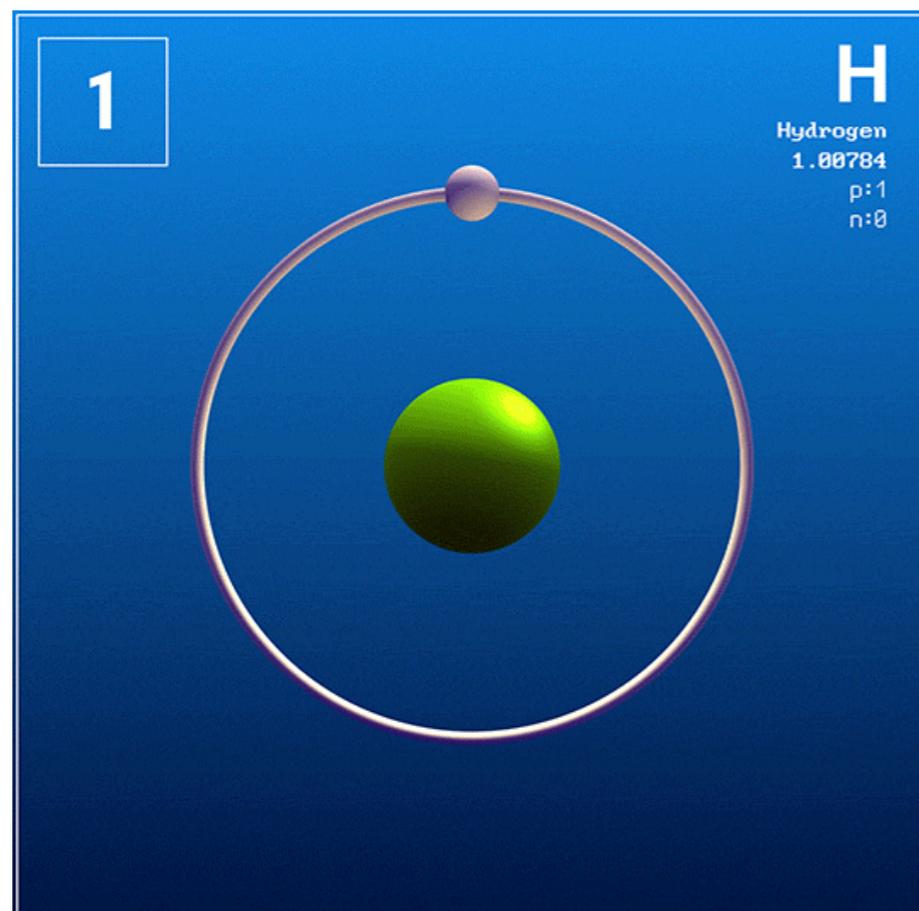
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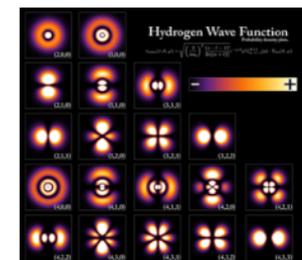
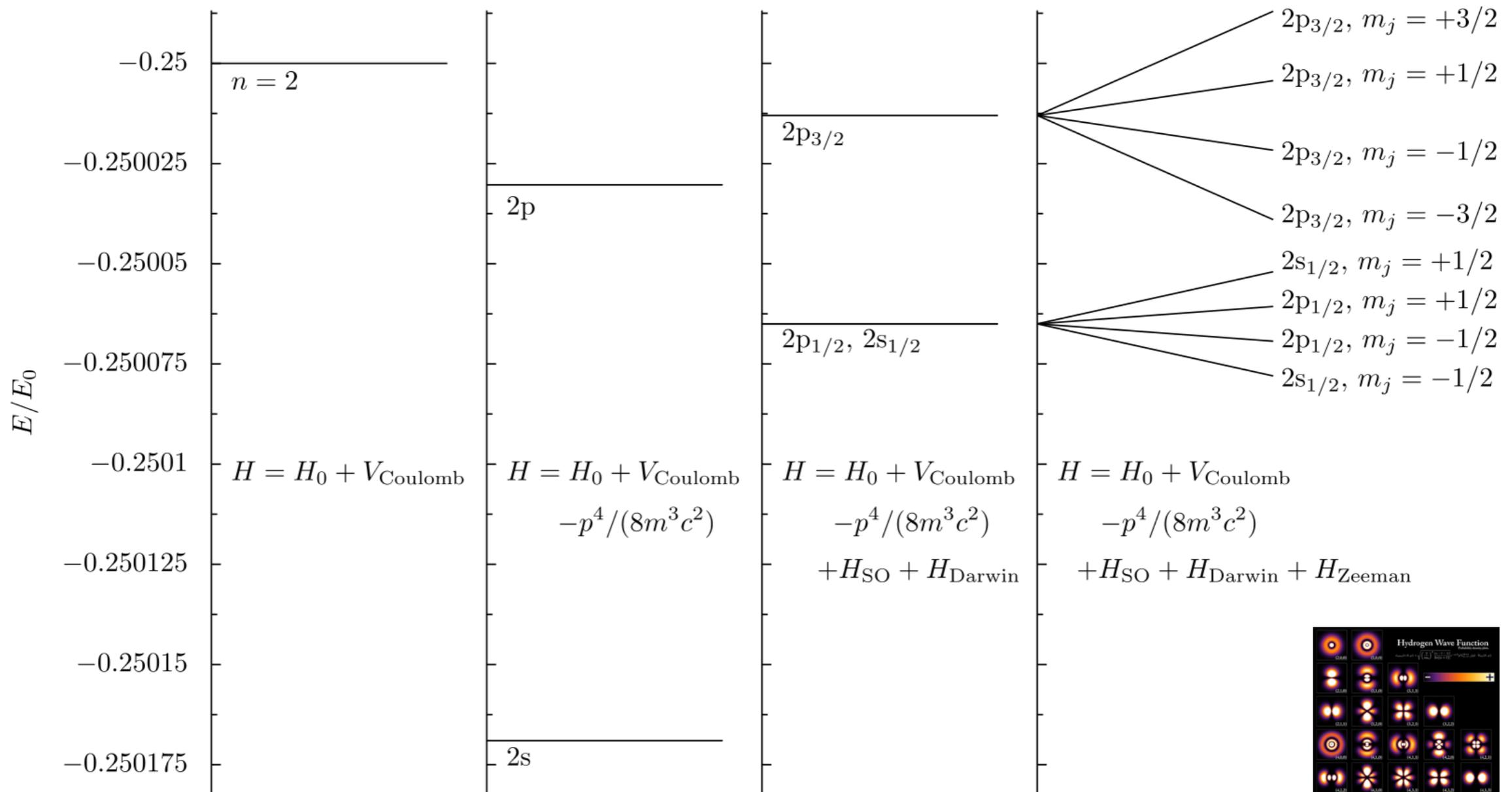
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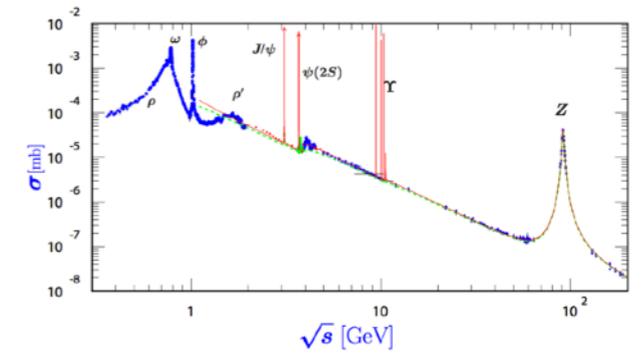
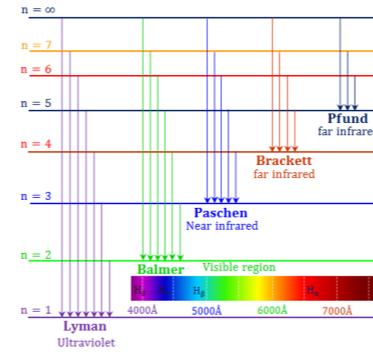
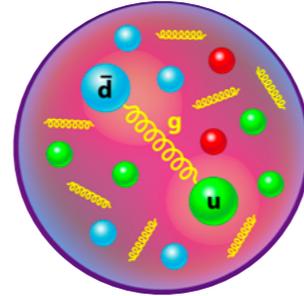
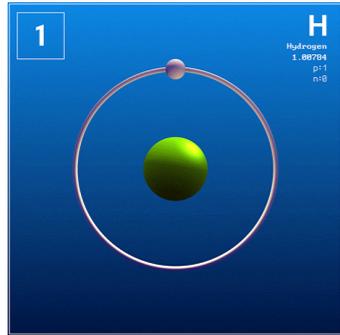
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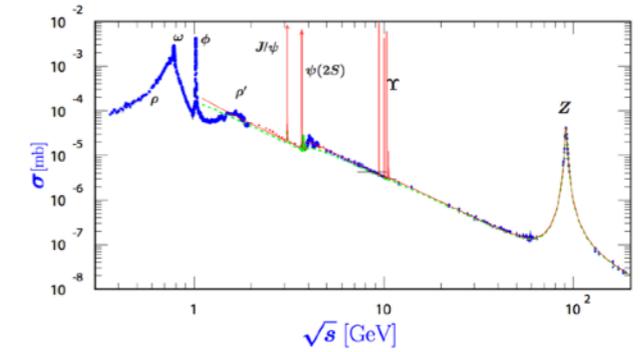
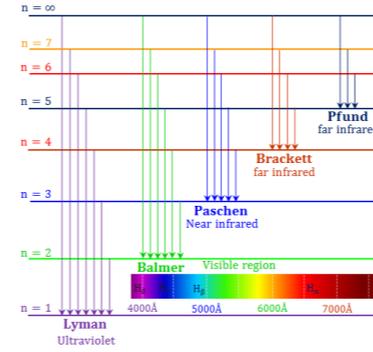
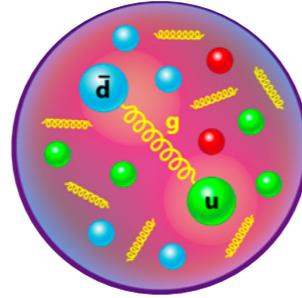
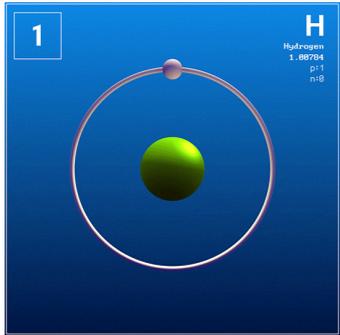


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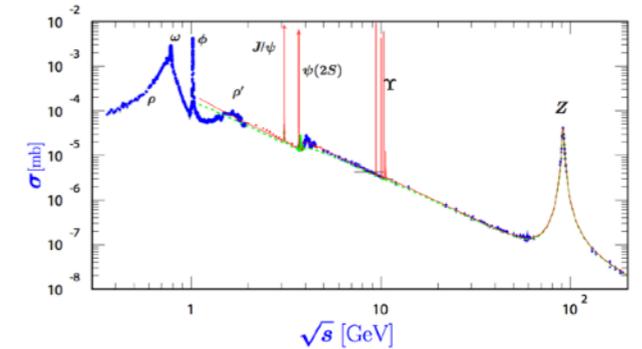
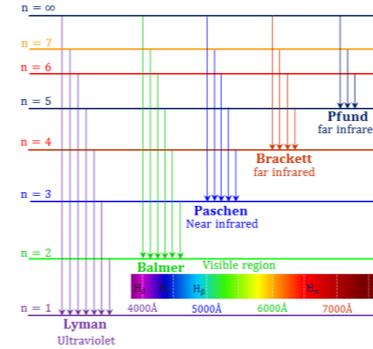
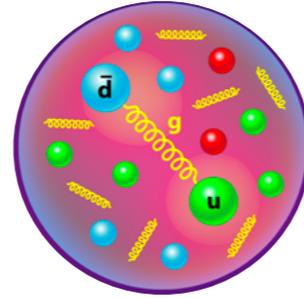
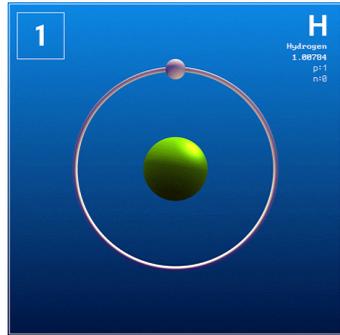
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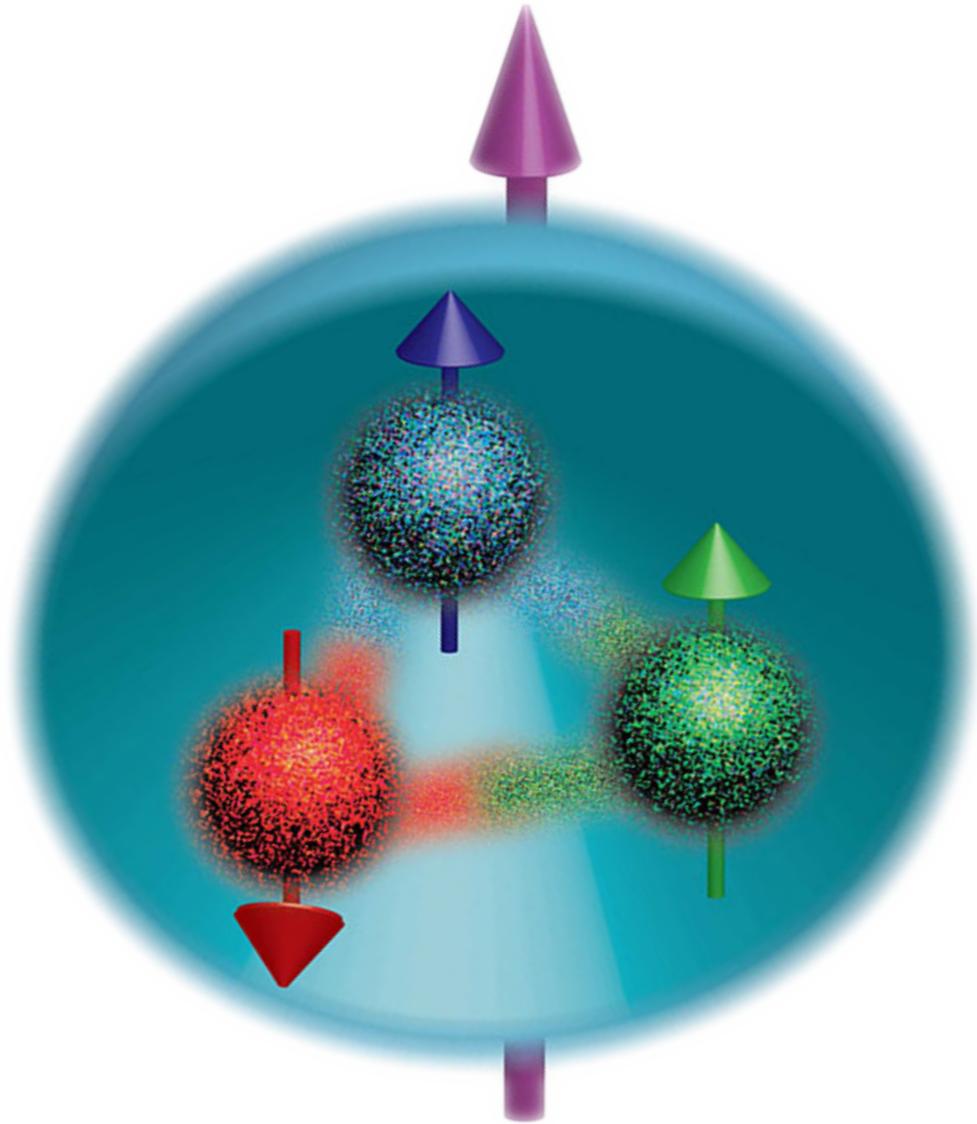
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◆ **Experiments:** High-precision measurements could make the story very different.

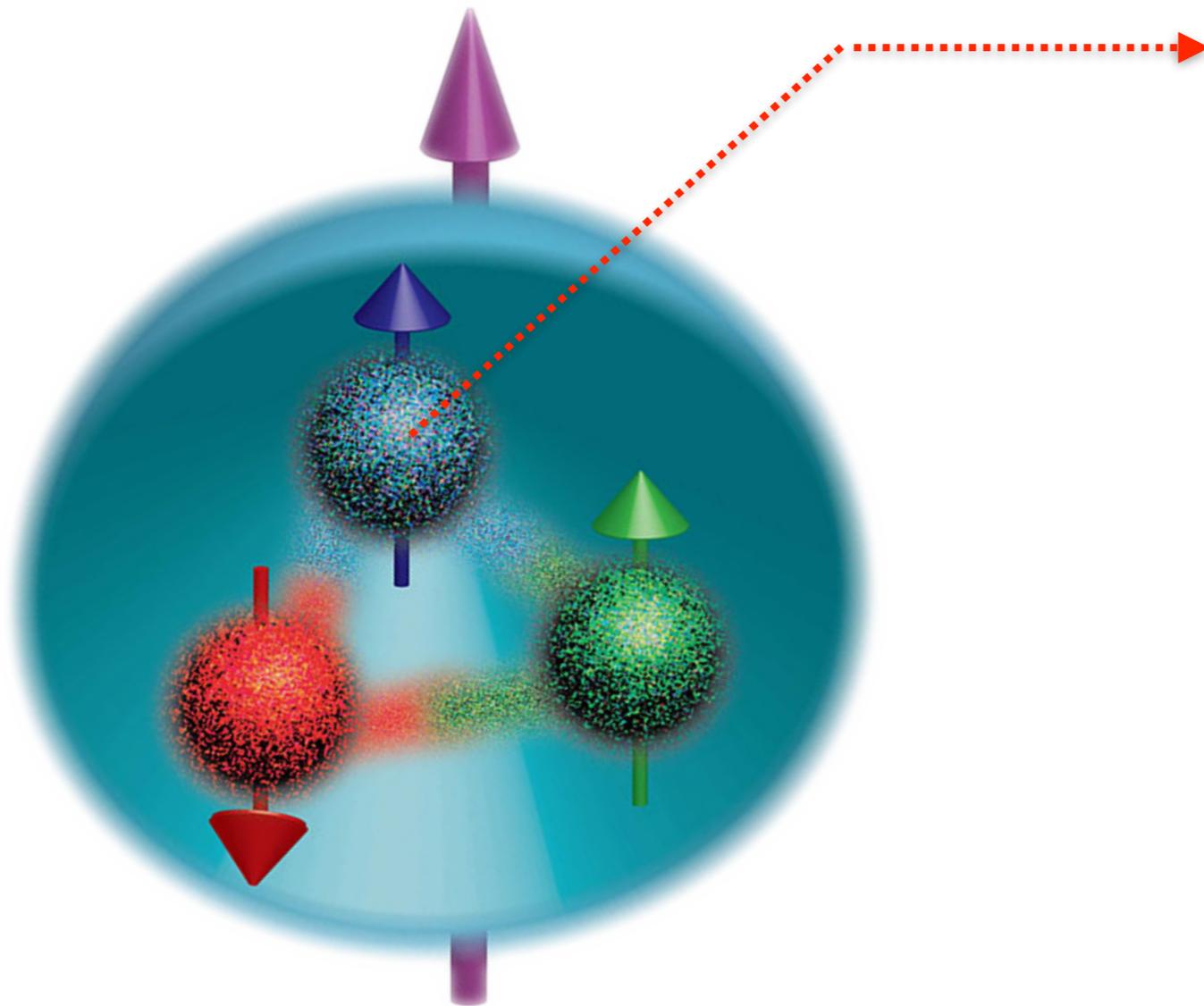
Chapter I: Theory

Physics of quark, gluon, vertex, and kernel

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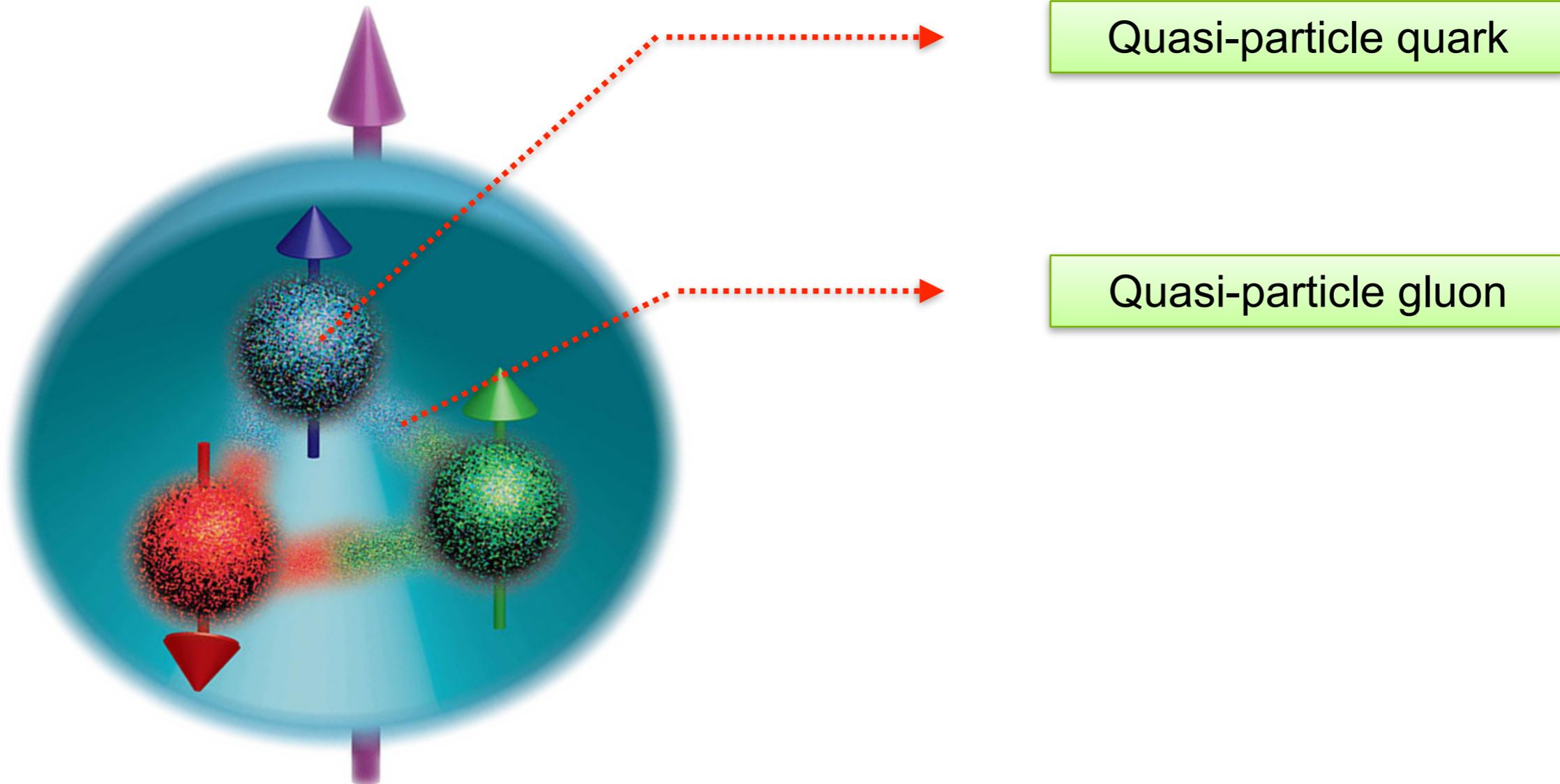


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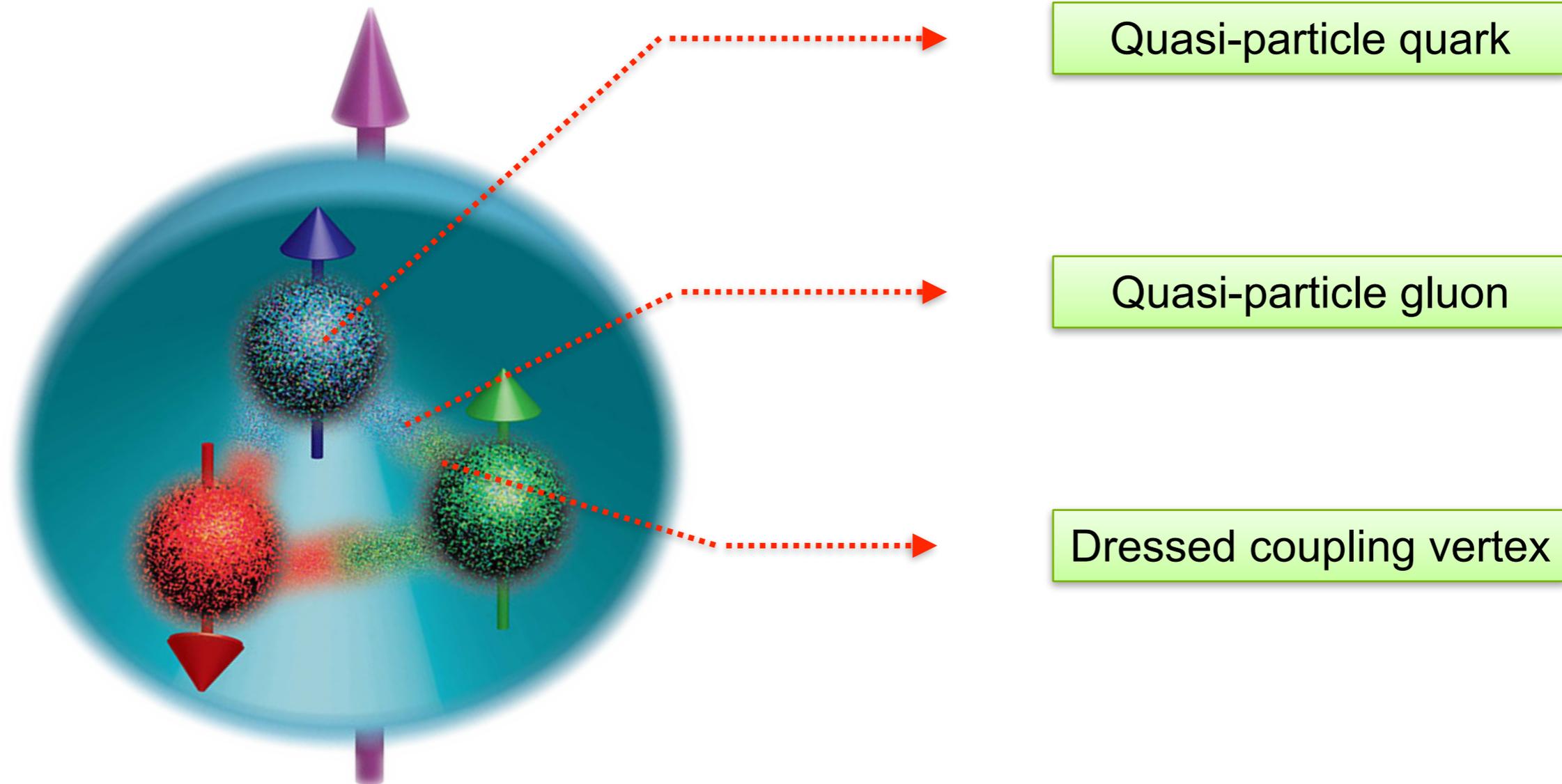


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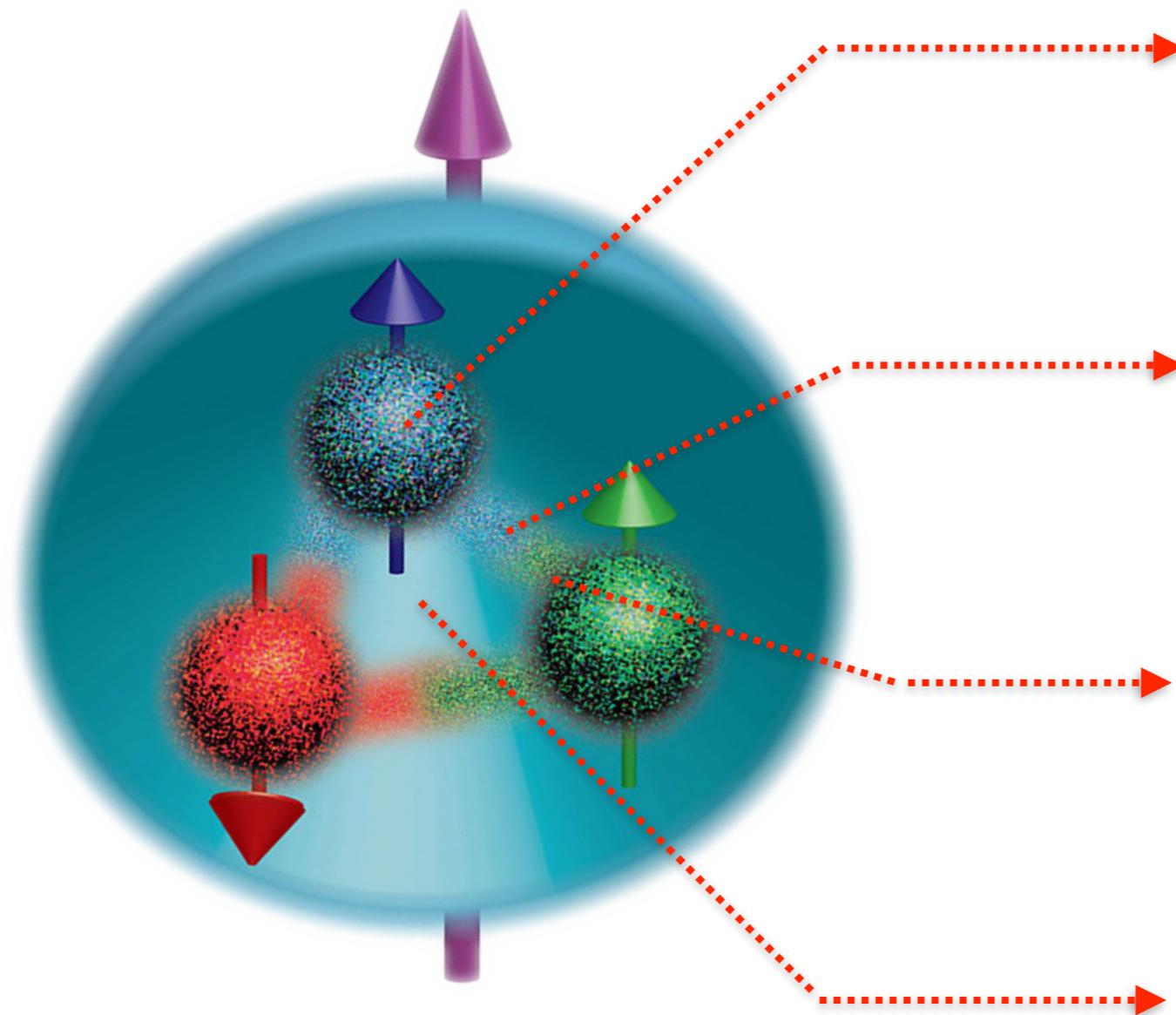
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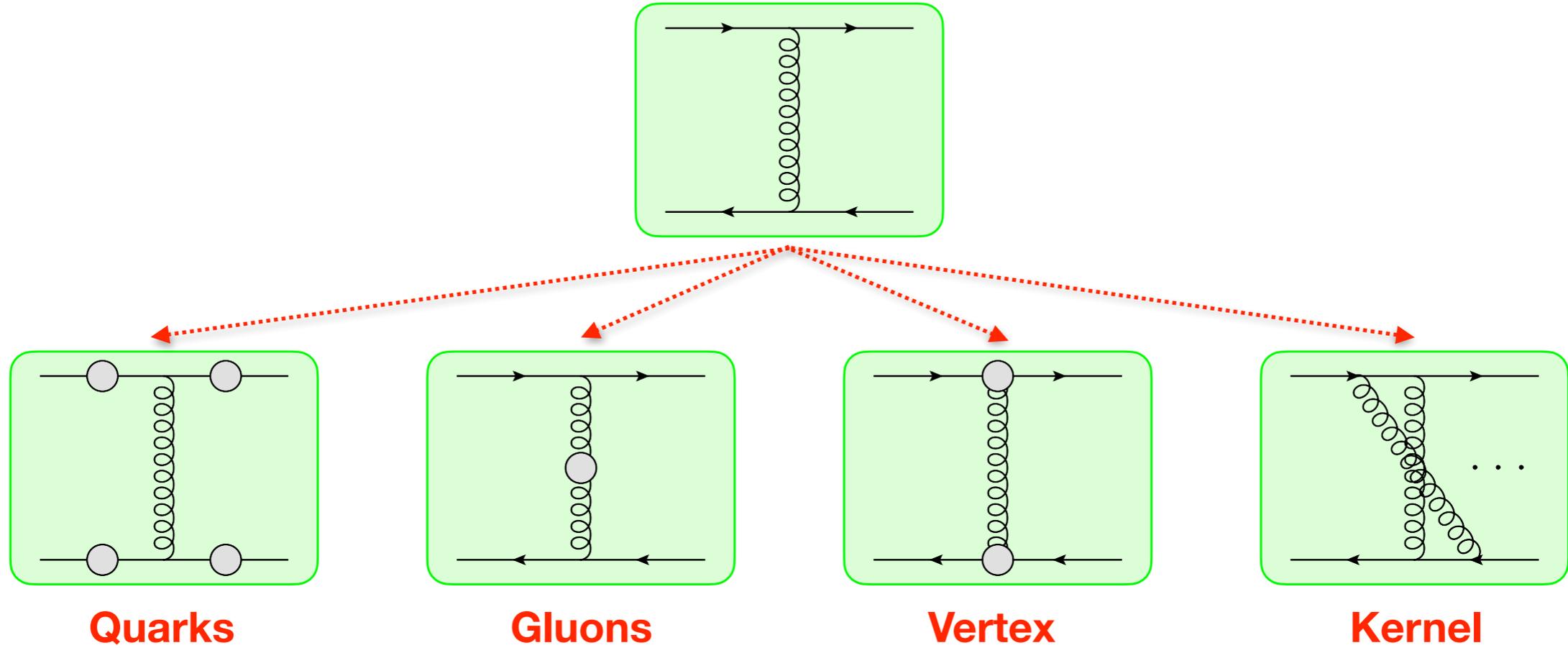
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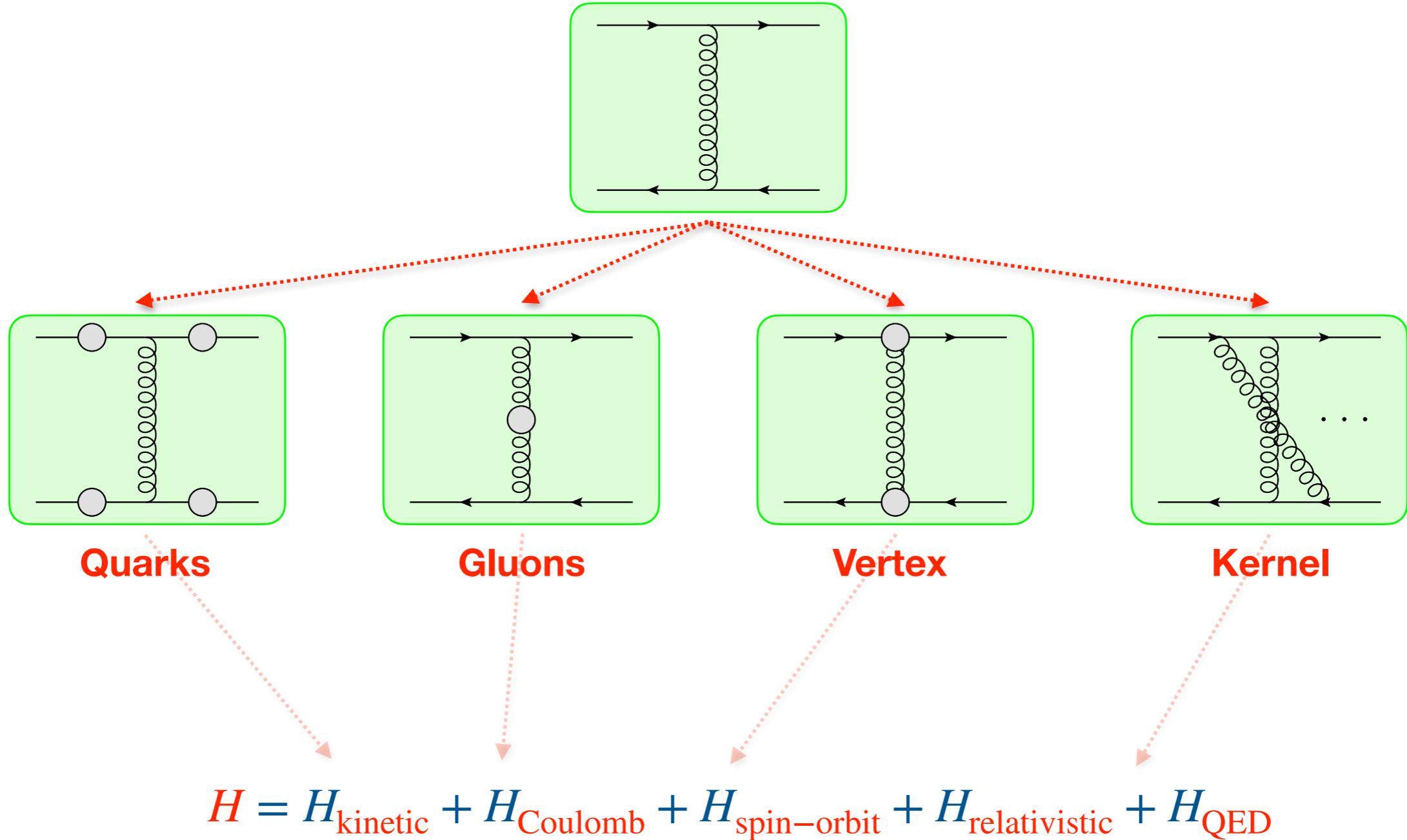
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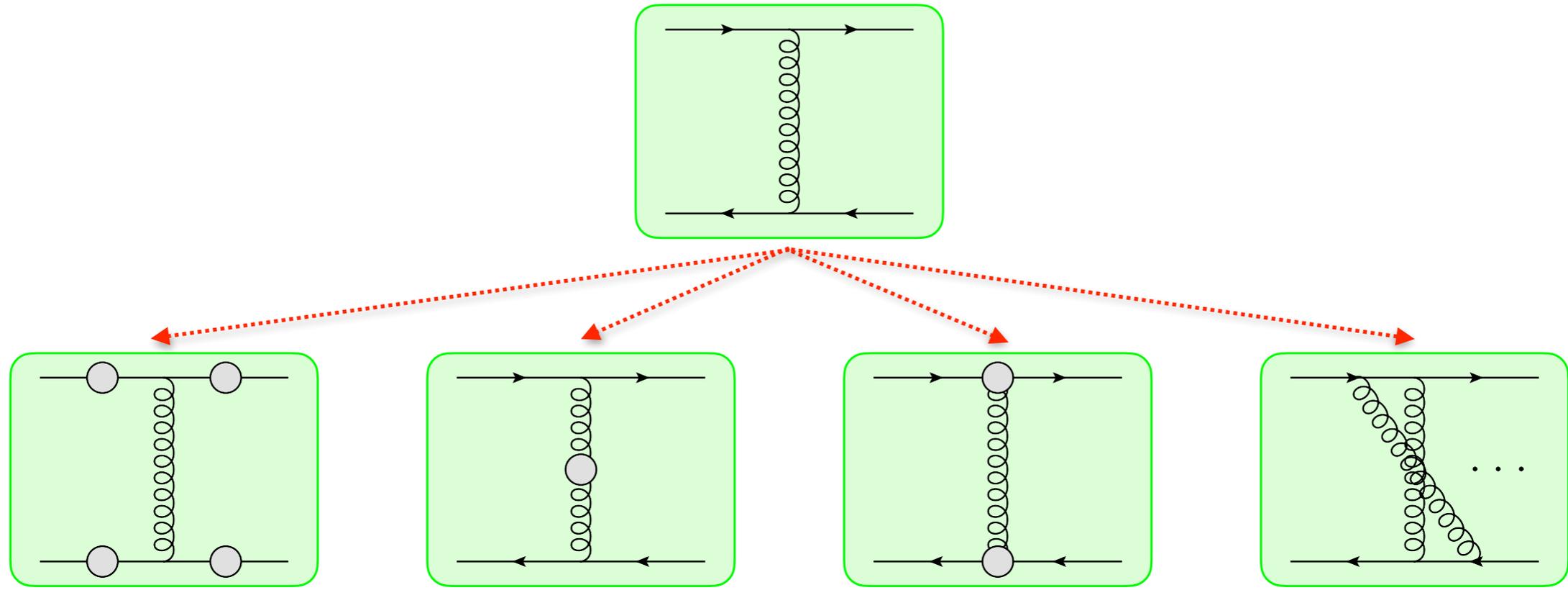
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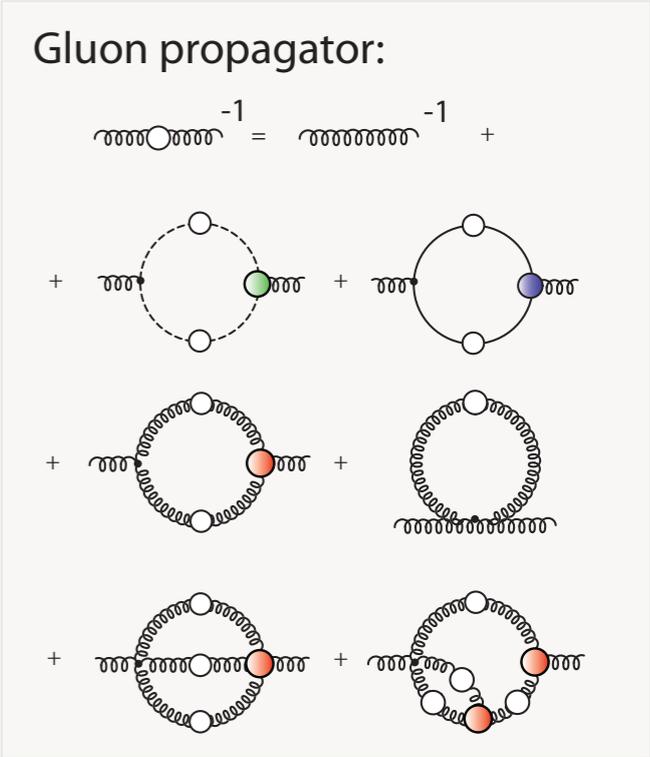
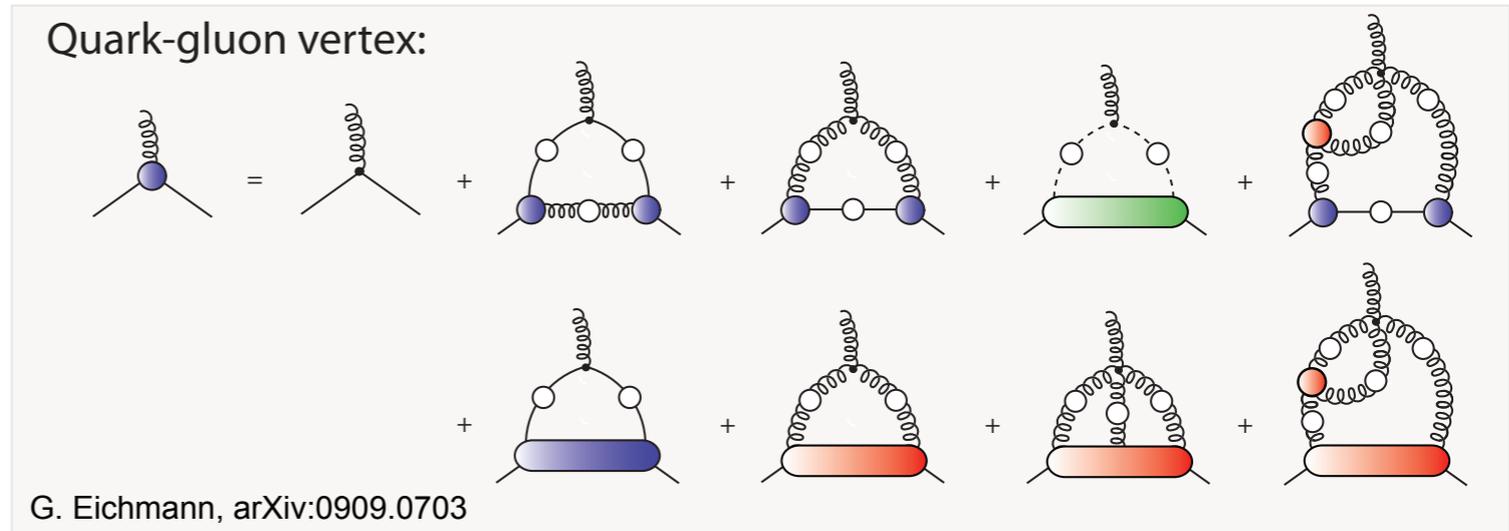
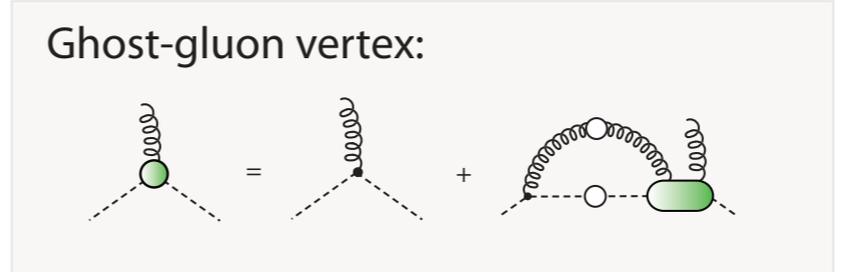
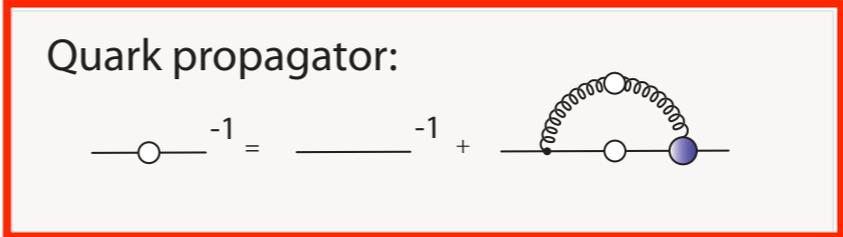
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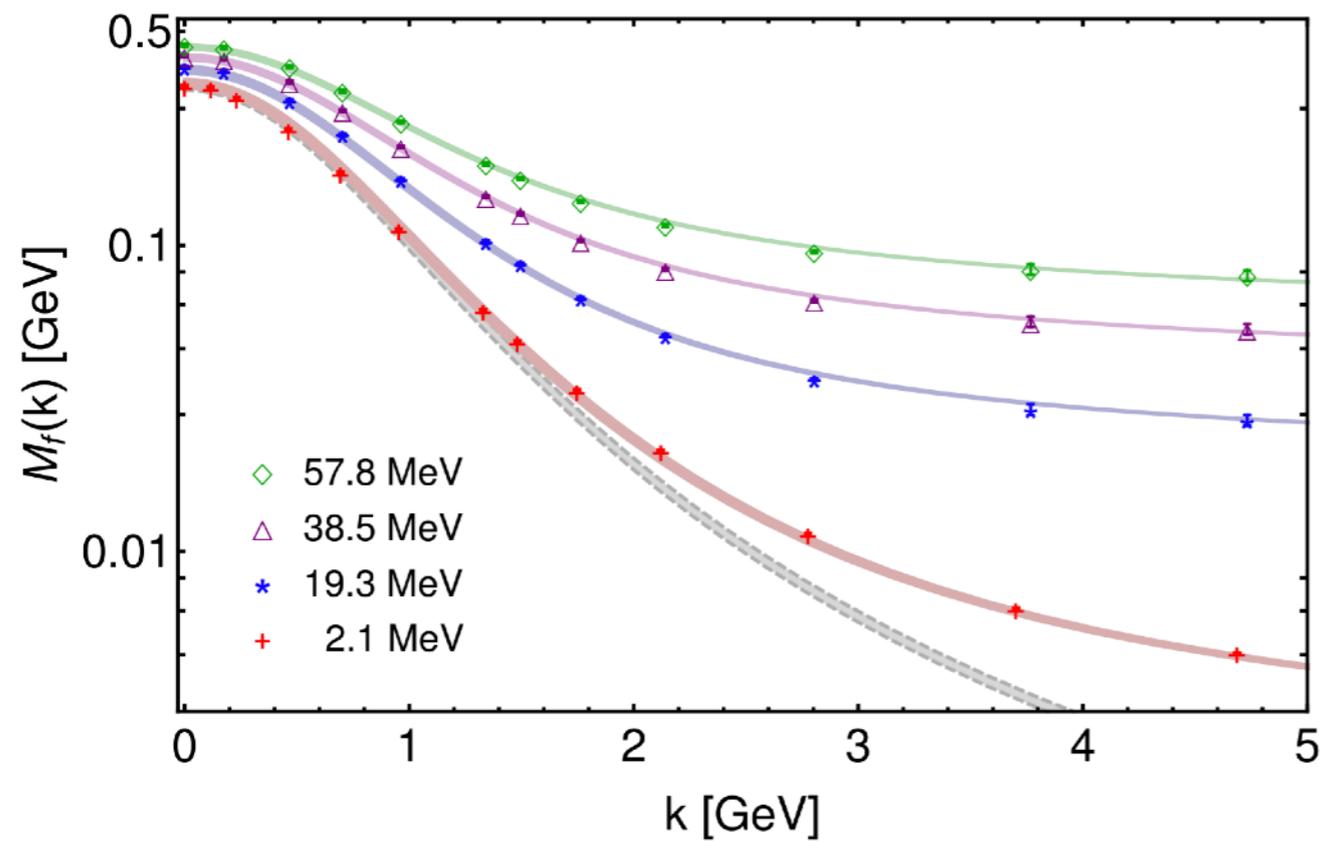
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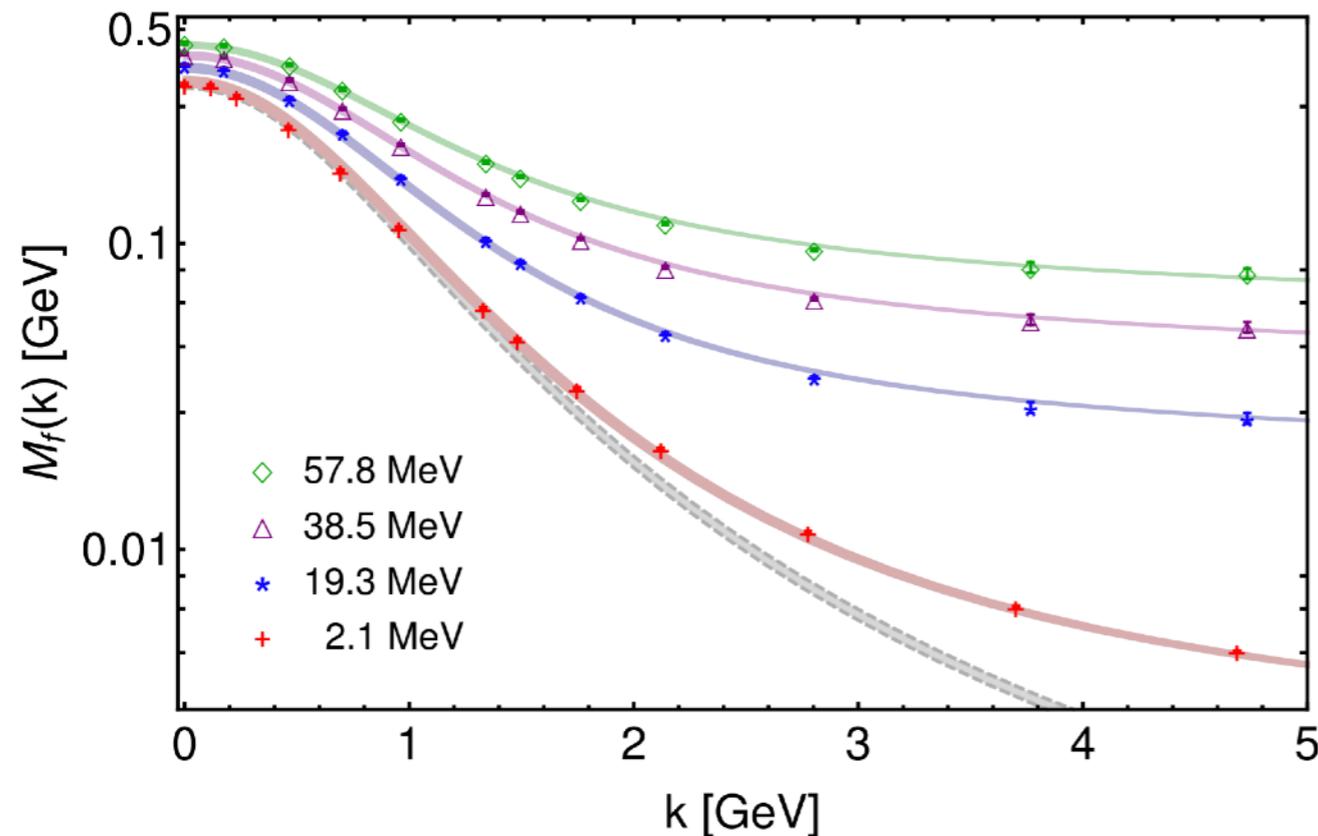


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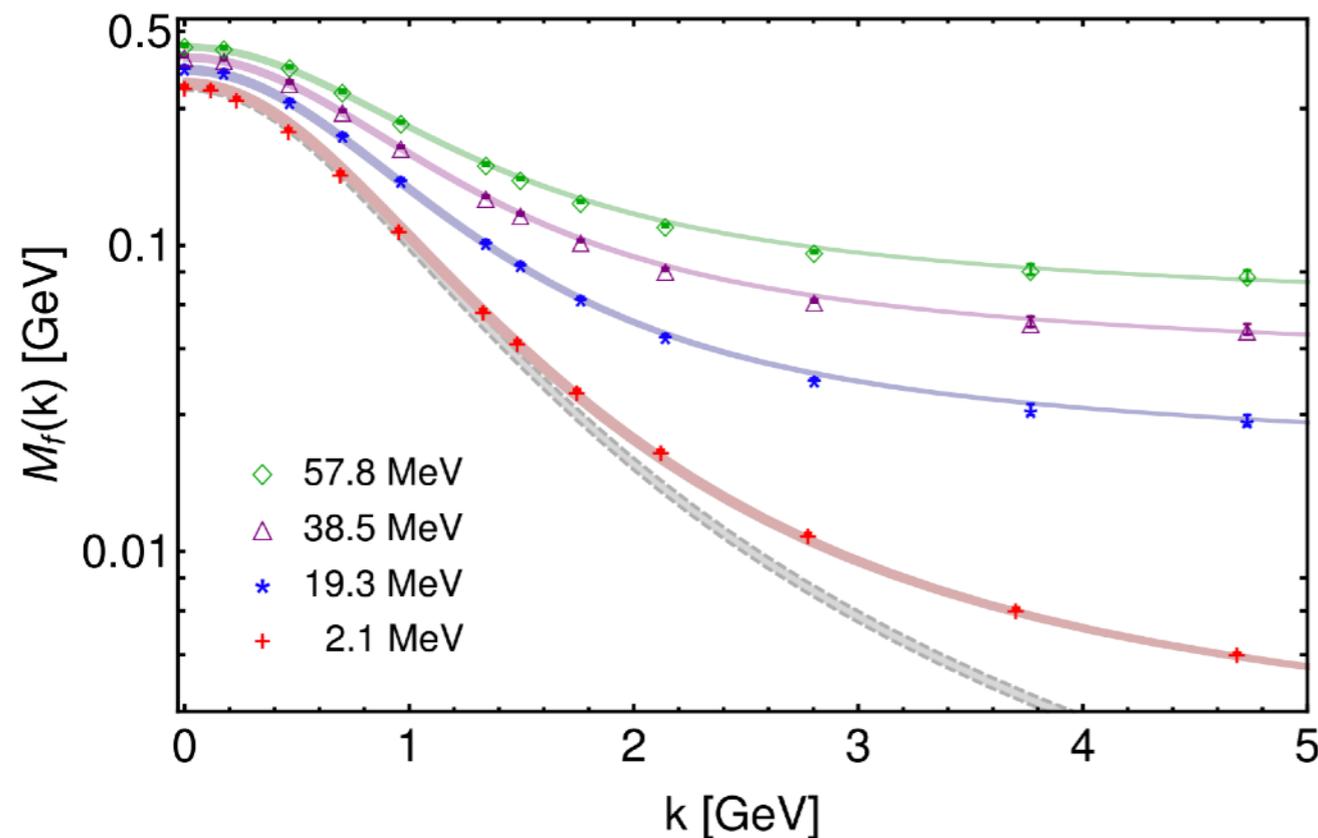
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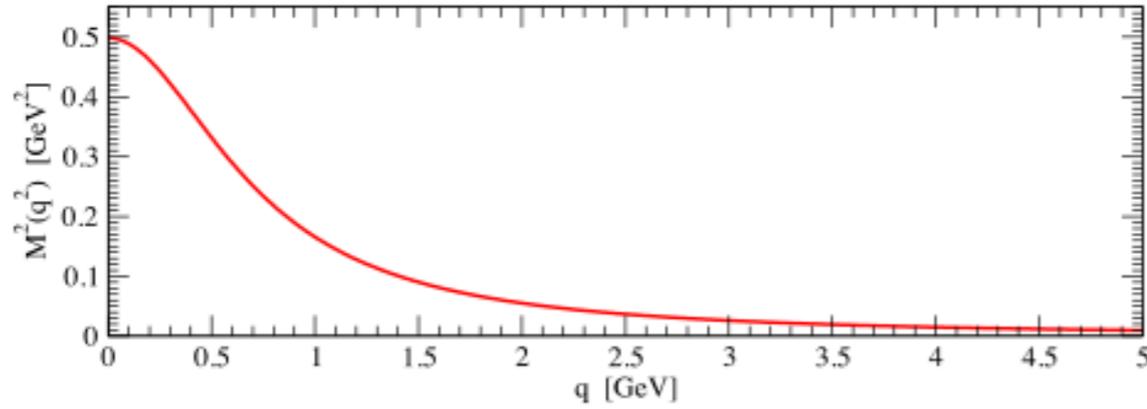
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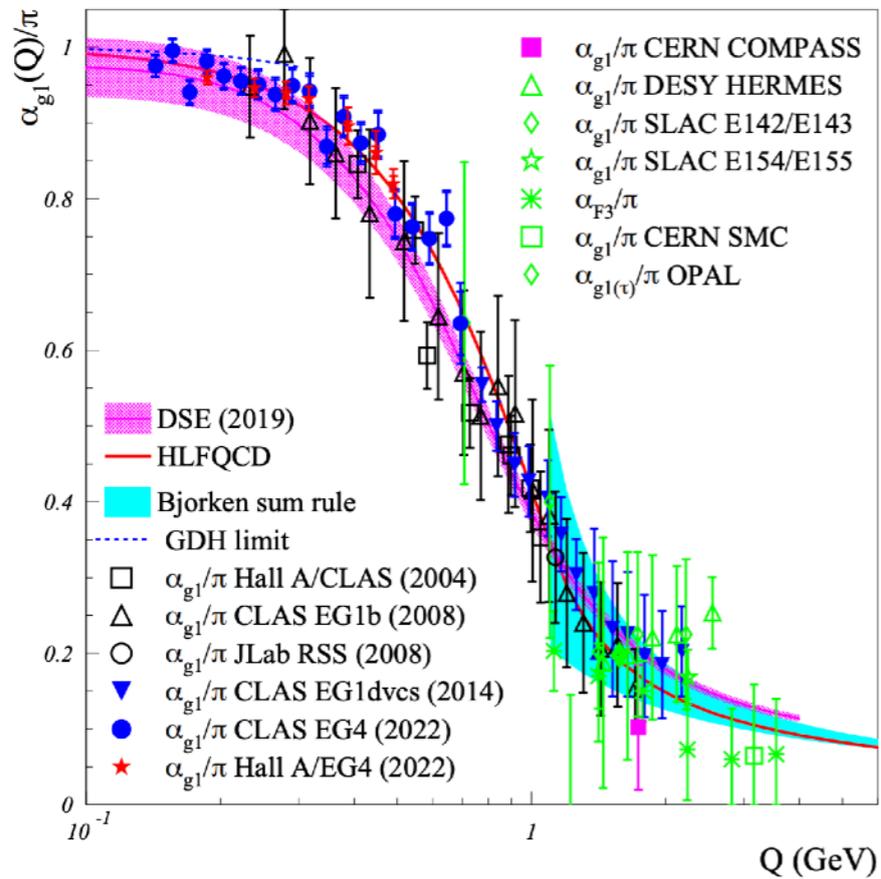
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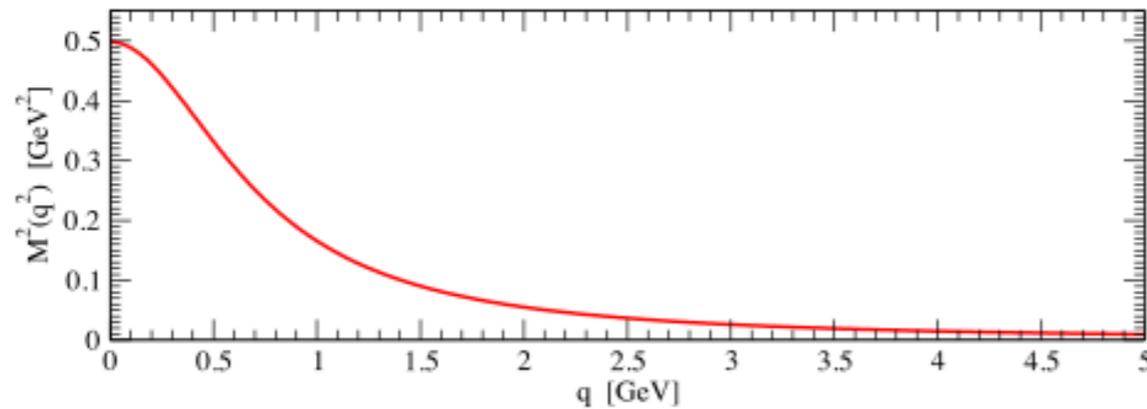
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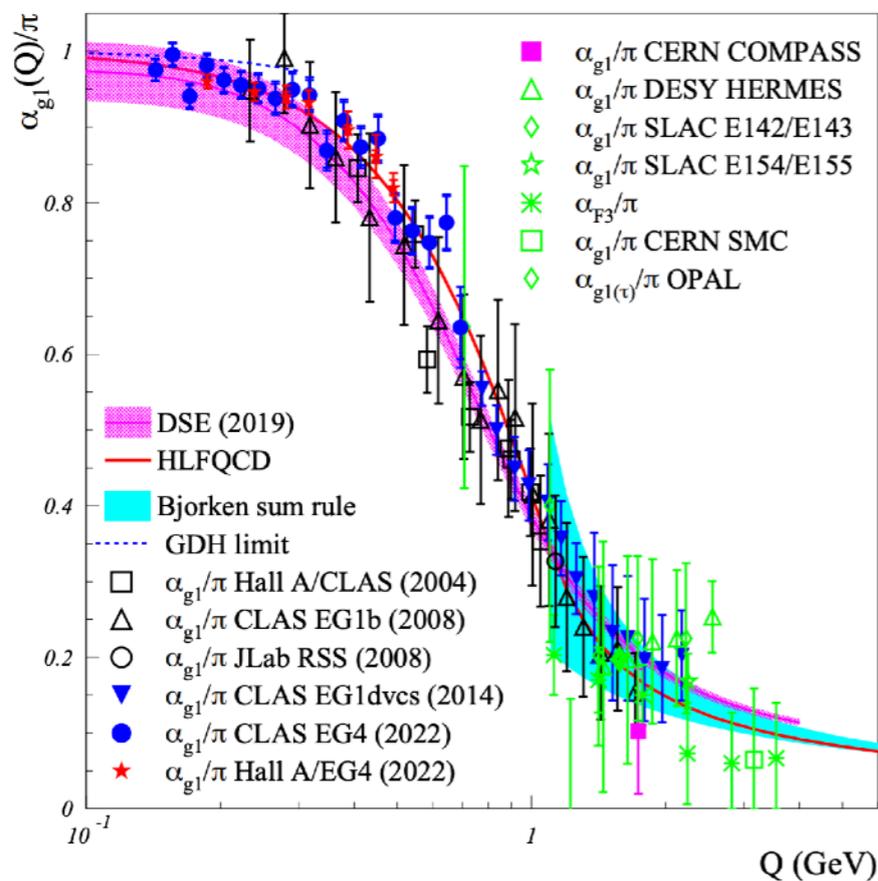
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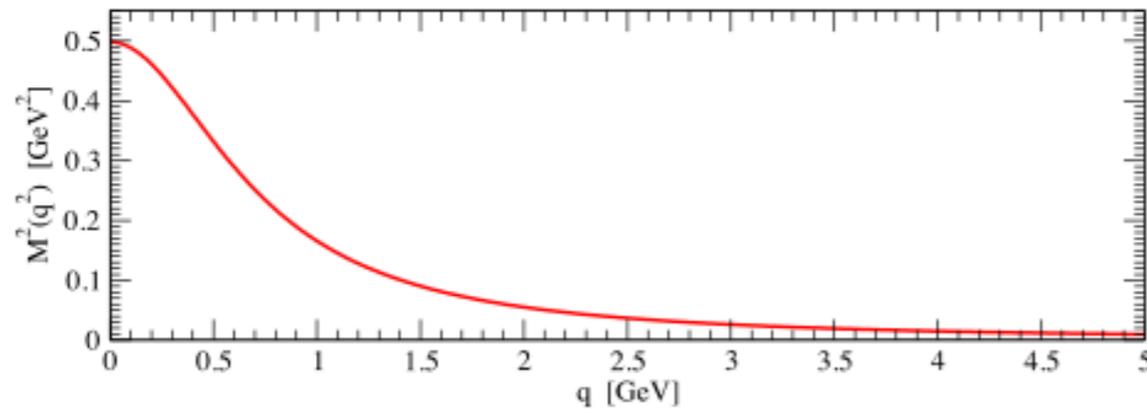
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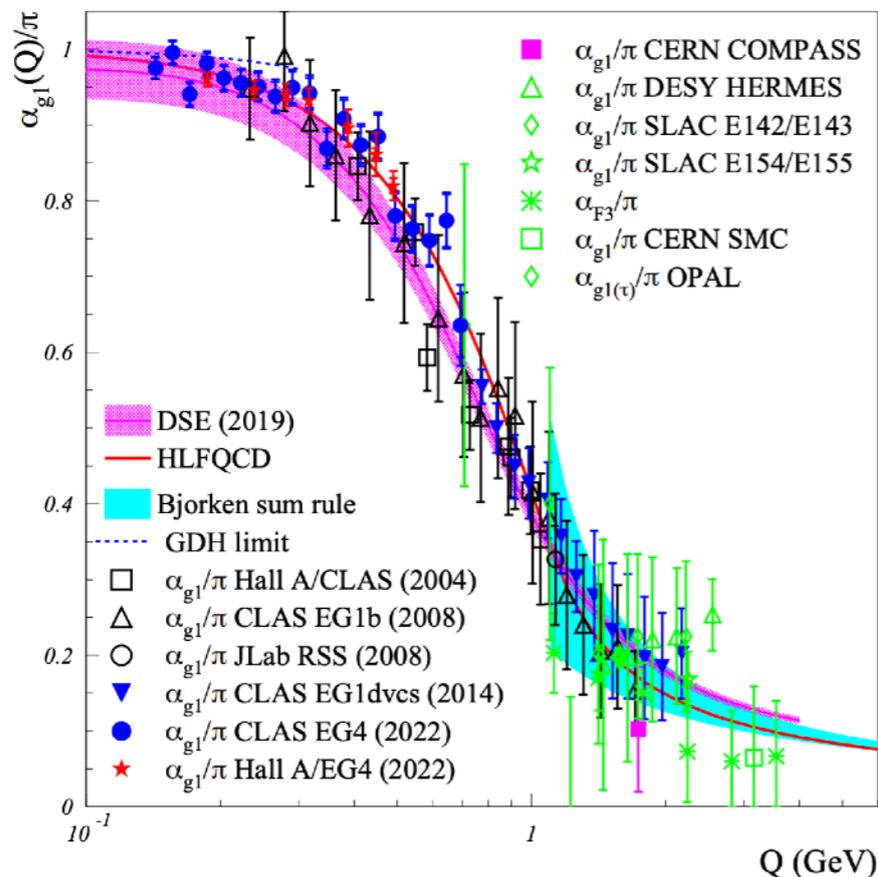
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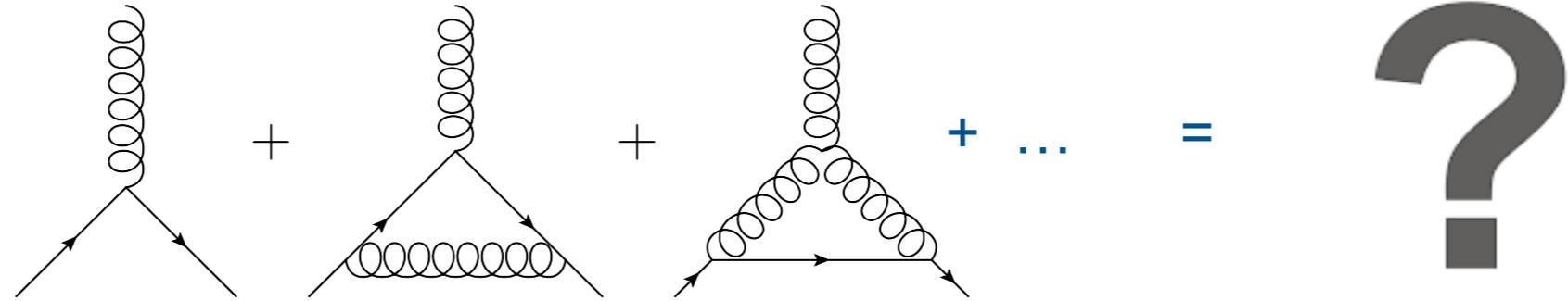
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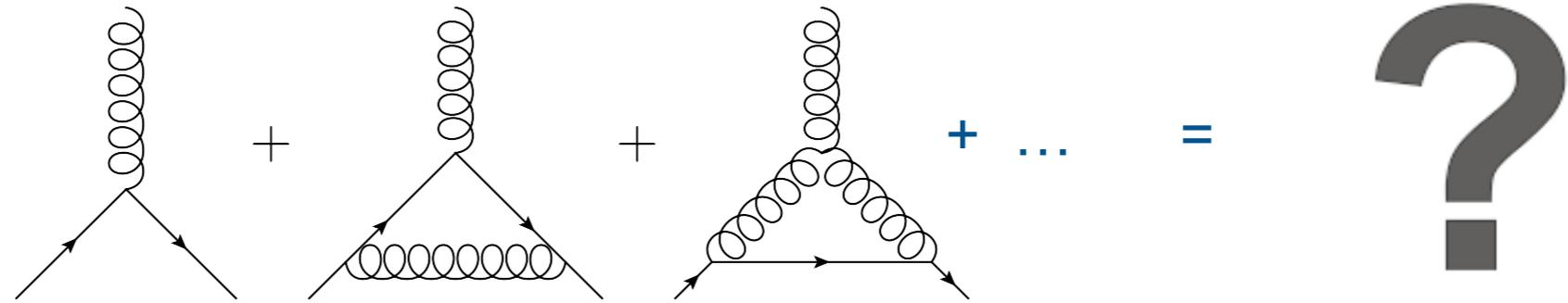
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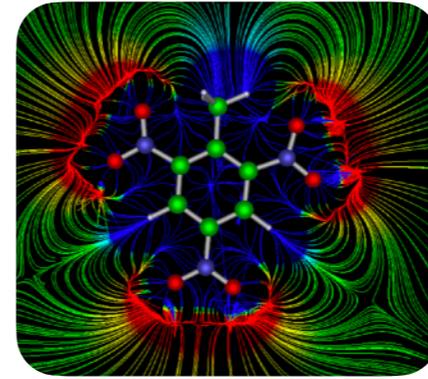
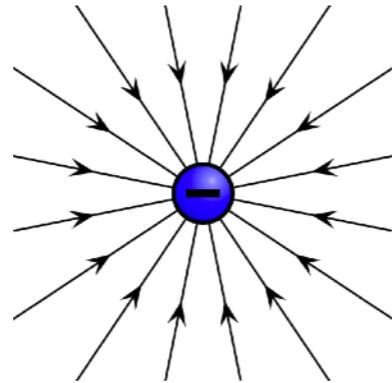
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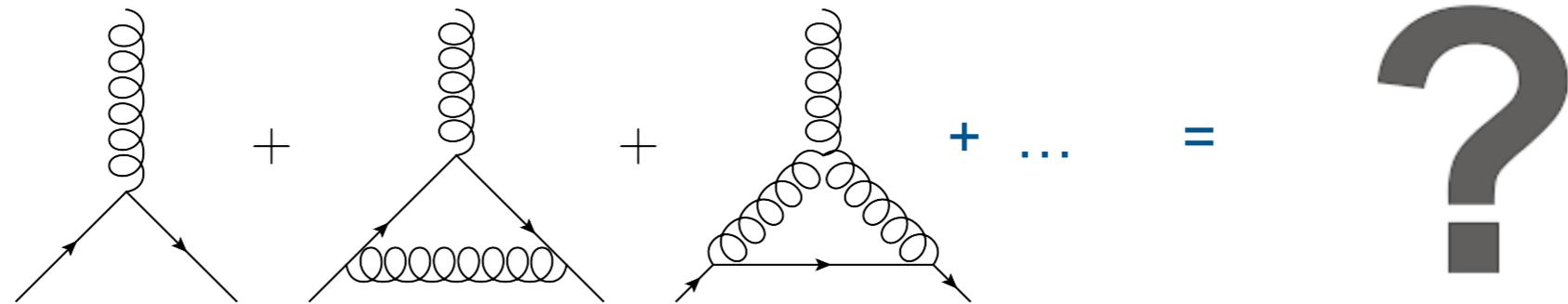
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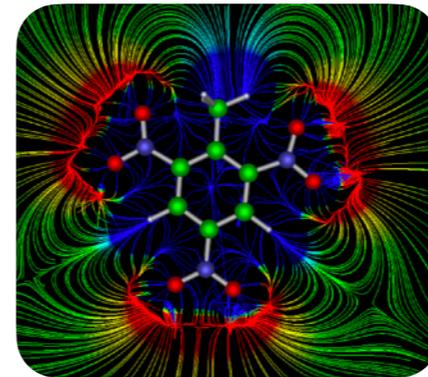
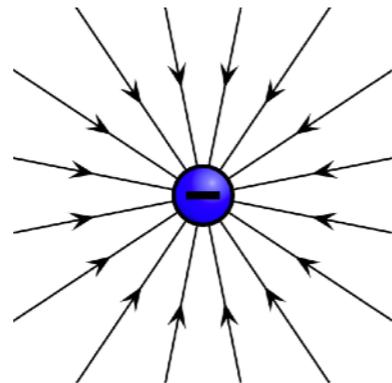
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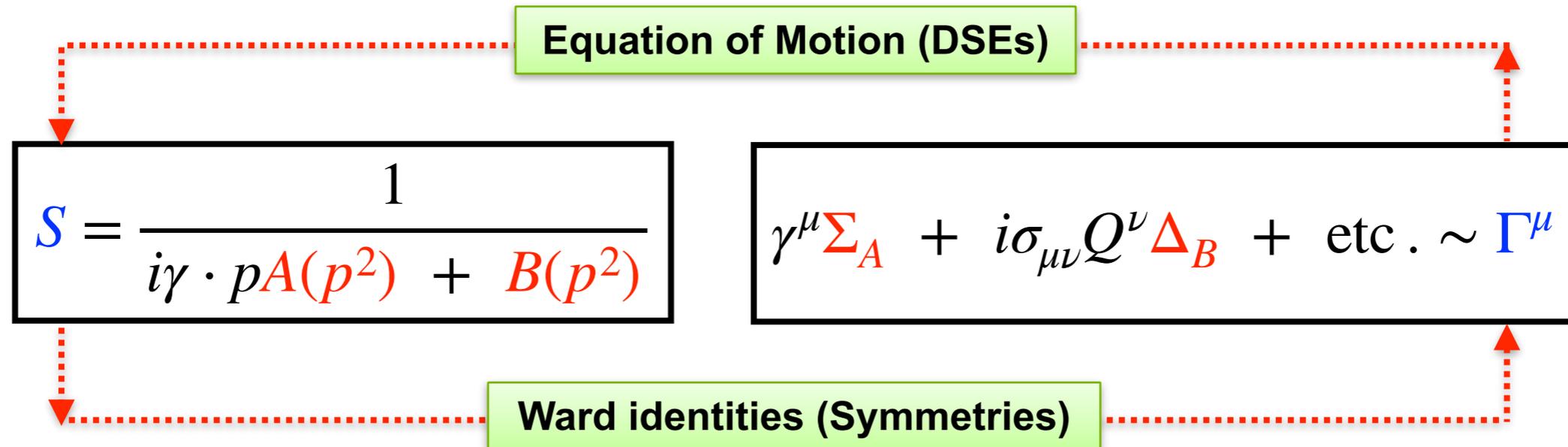
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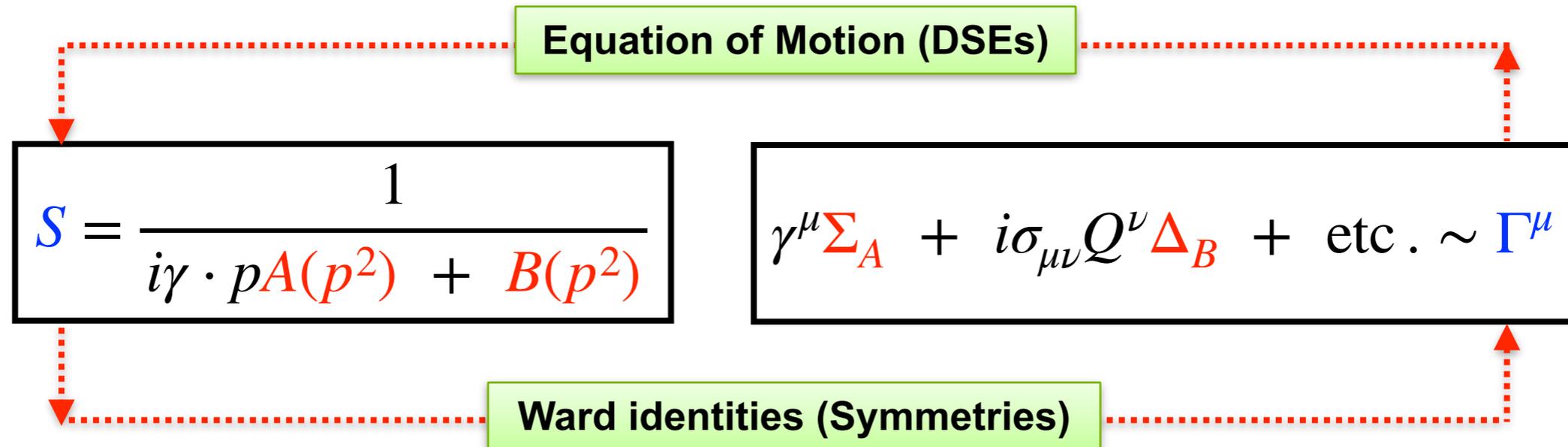
$$\Gamma^\mu(P', P) = \gamma^\mu F_1(Q^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{2M_f} Q^\nu F_2(Q^2)$$

- ◆ The form factors express (color-)charge and (color-)magnetization densities. And the so-called **anomalous magnetic moment** is proportional to the Pauli term.

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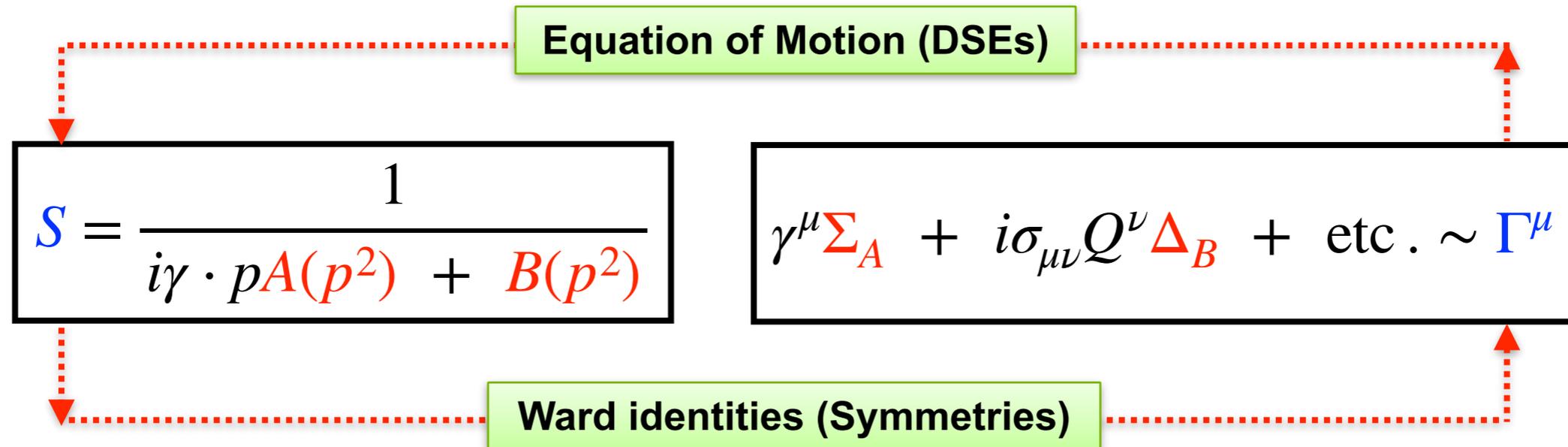
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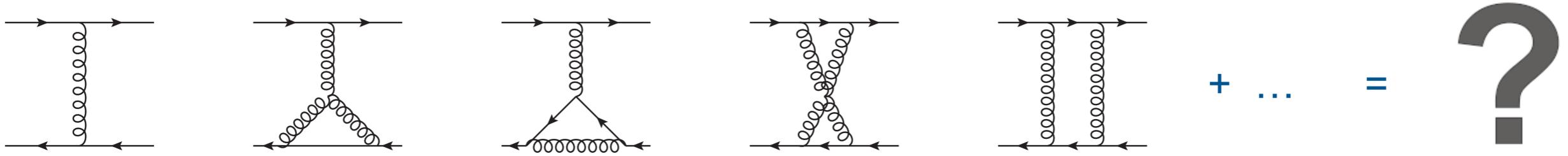
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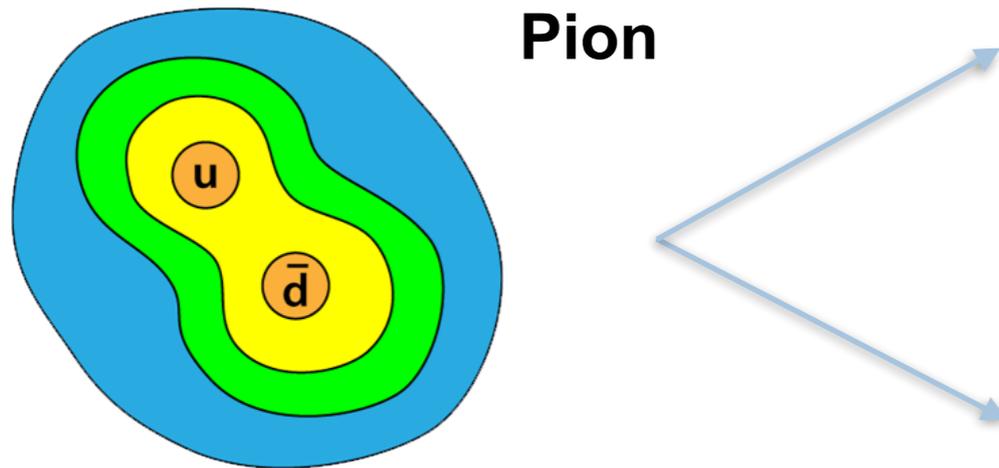
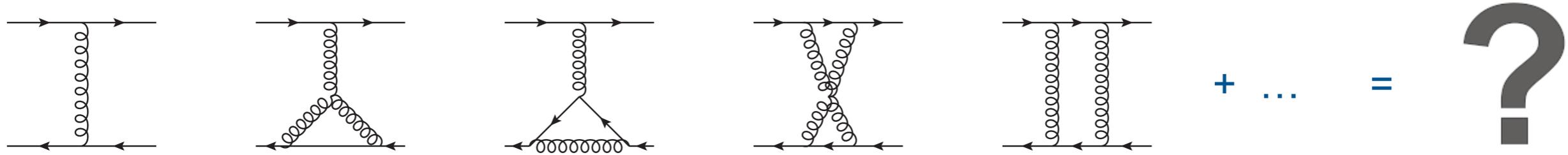
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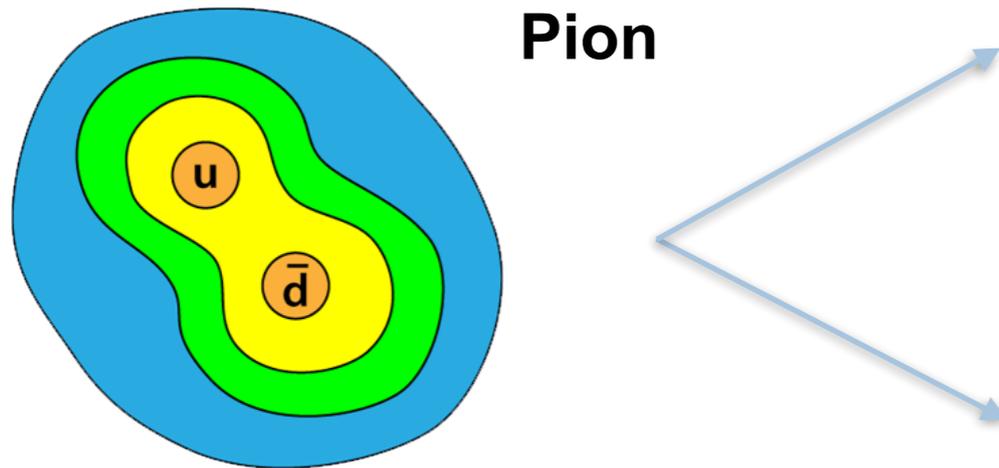
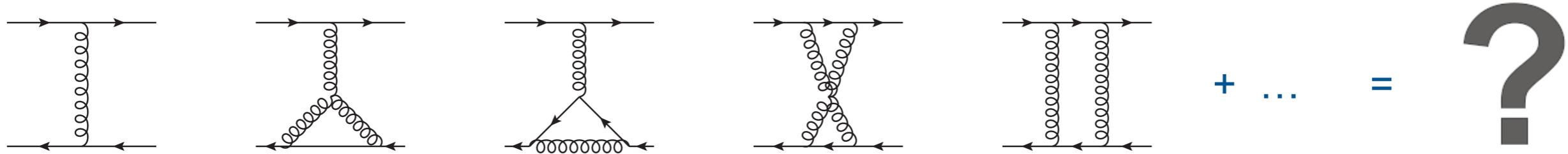


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C-, P-, T-symmetry

Gauge symmetry
Chiral symmetry

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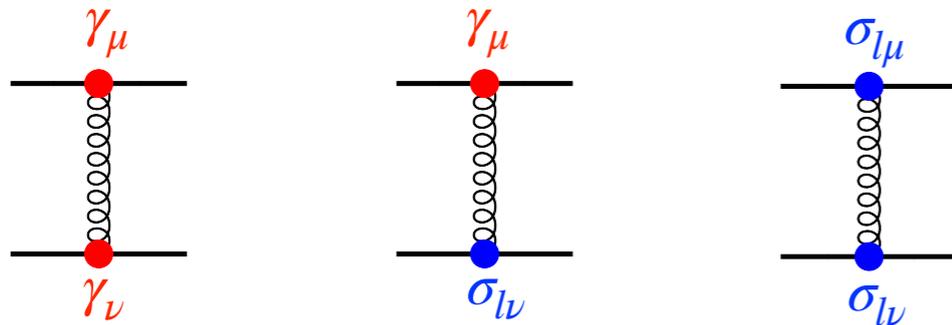
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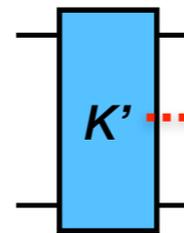
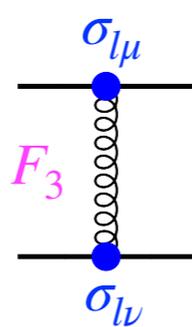
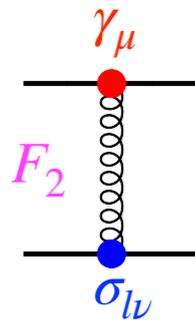
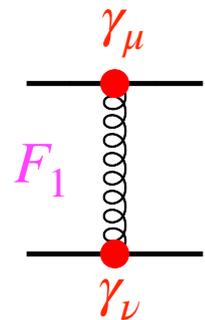
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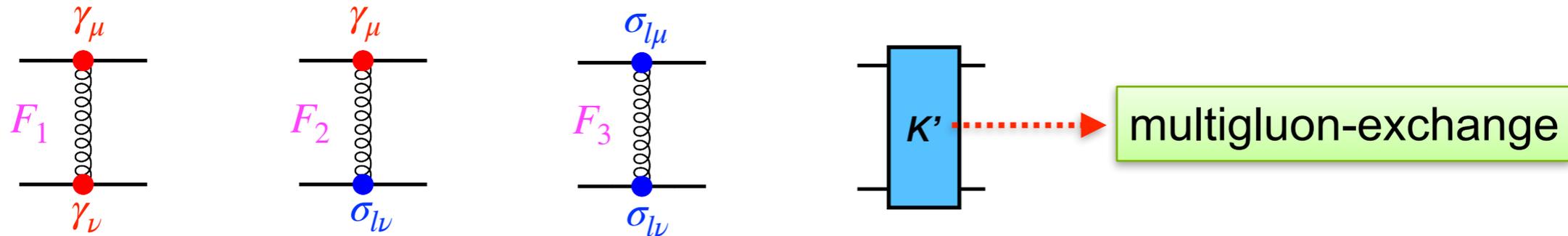
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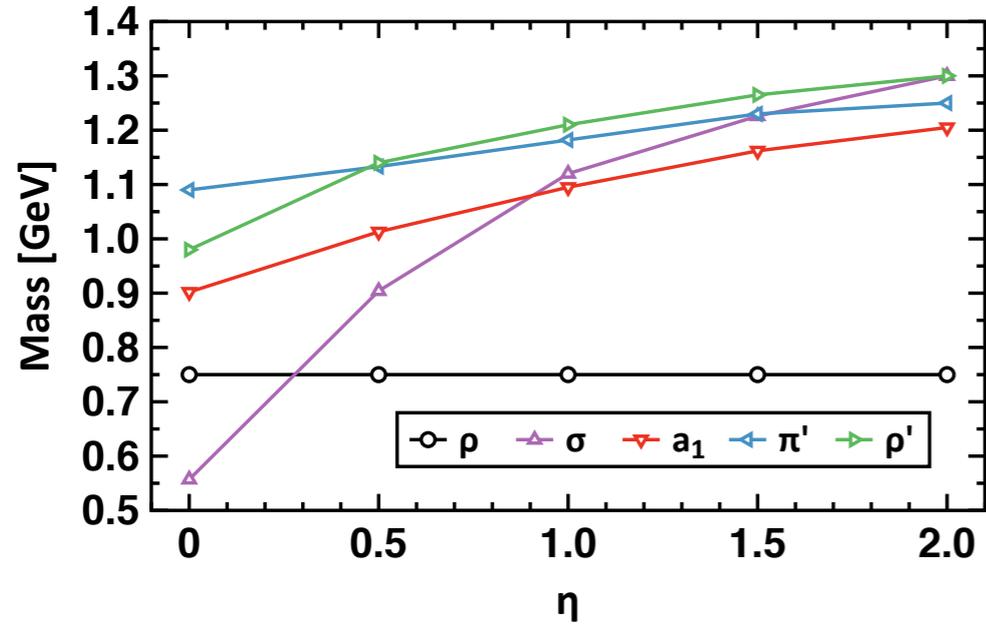
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Chapter II: Applications

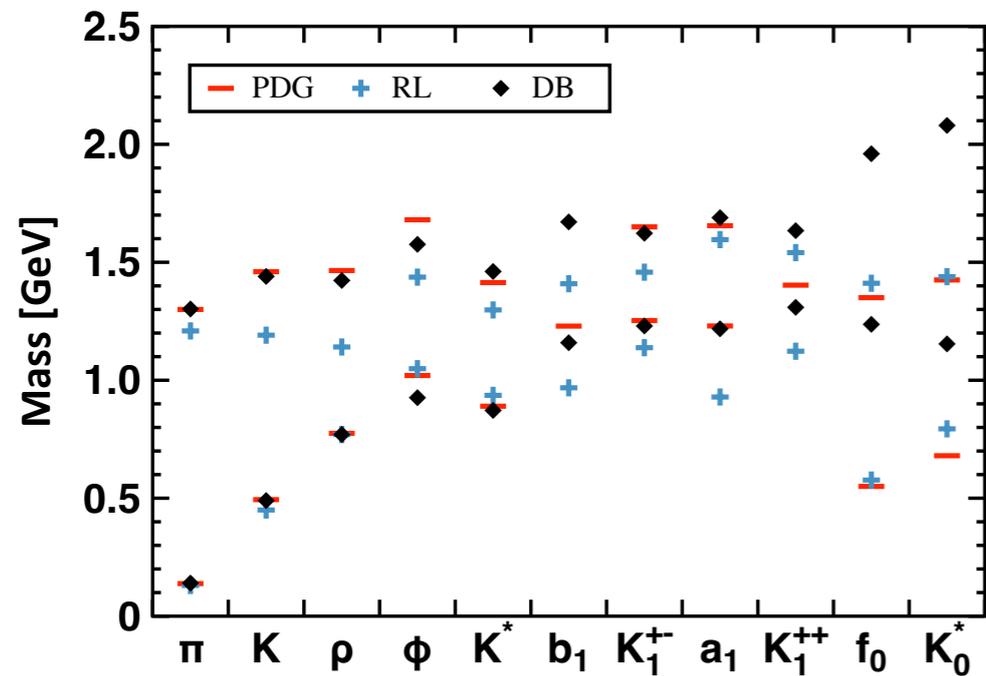
Spectra of mesons and baryons with light and heavy flavors.

Application: Meson sector

◆ Impact of the Pauli term (AM):

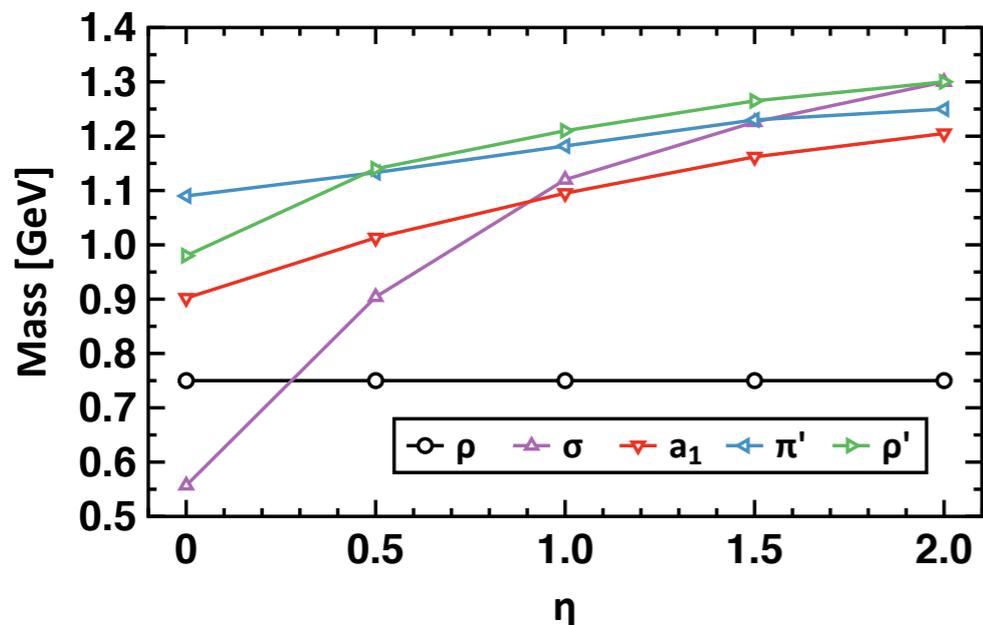


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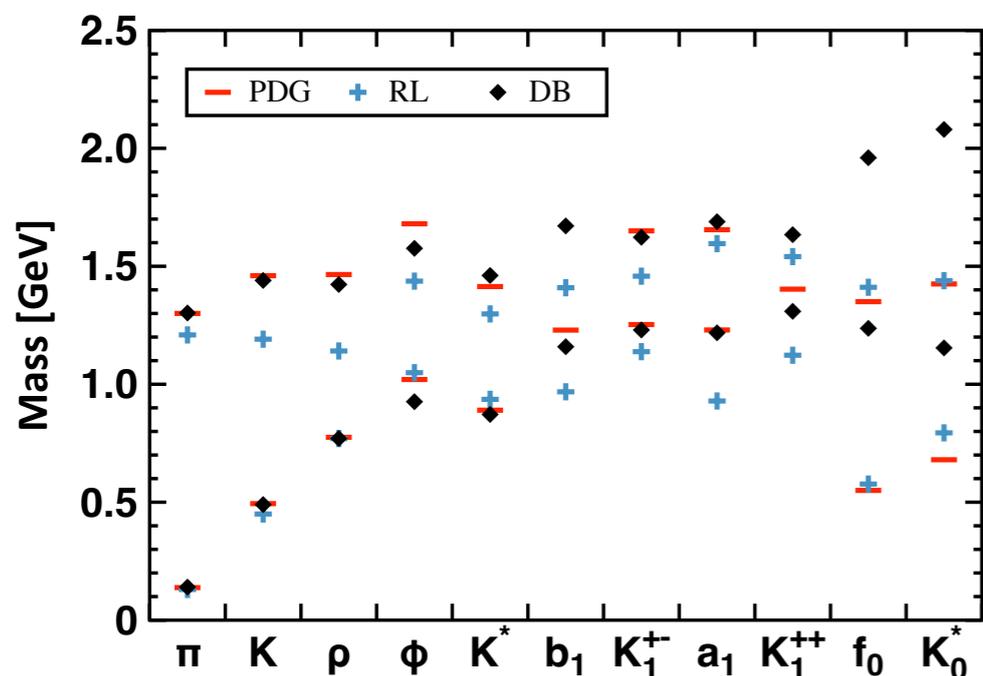
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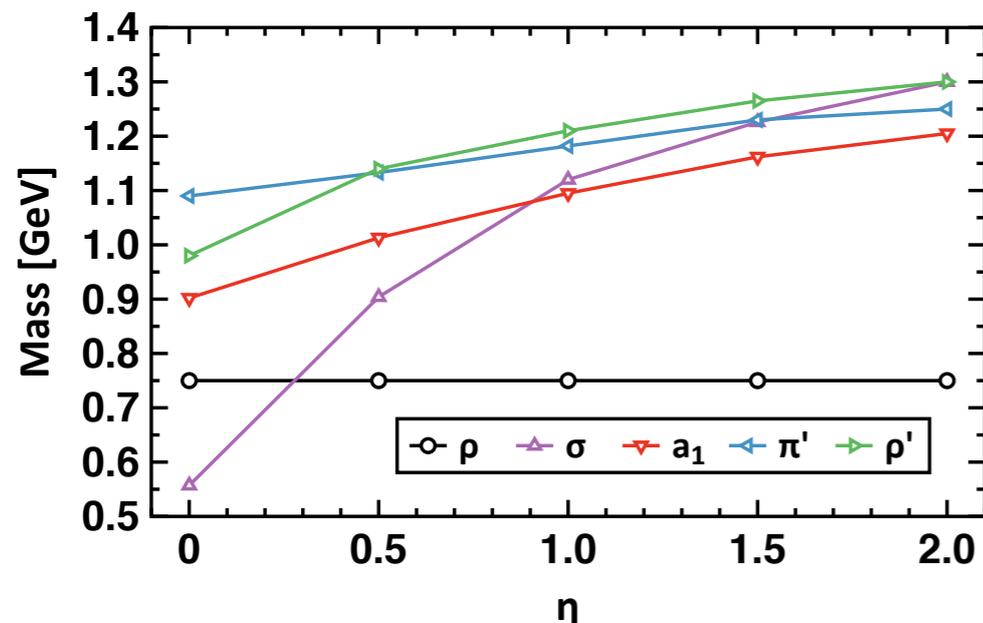
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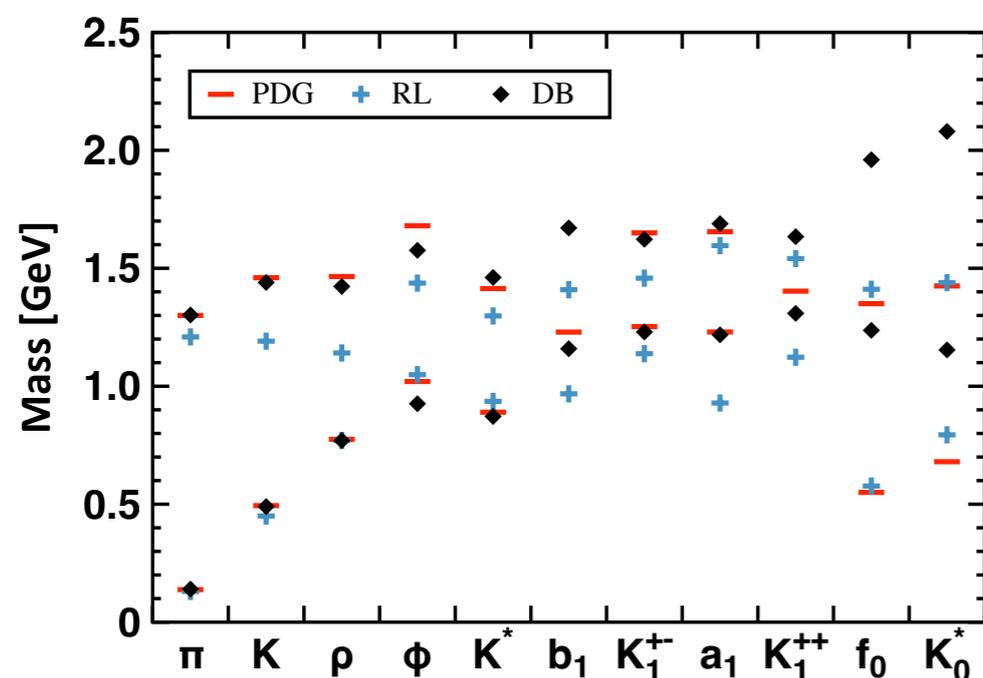


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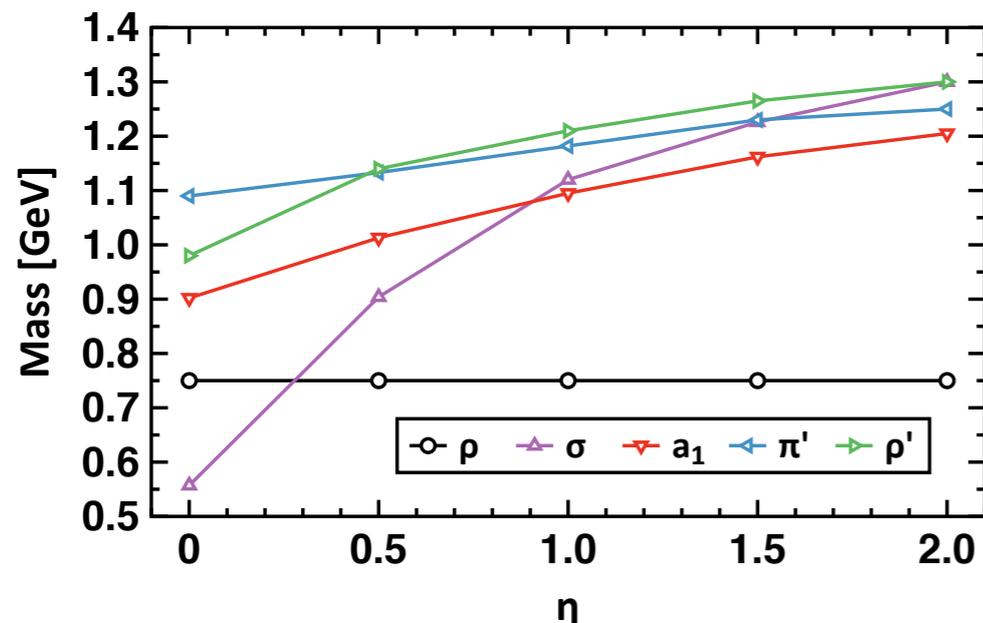


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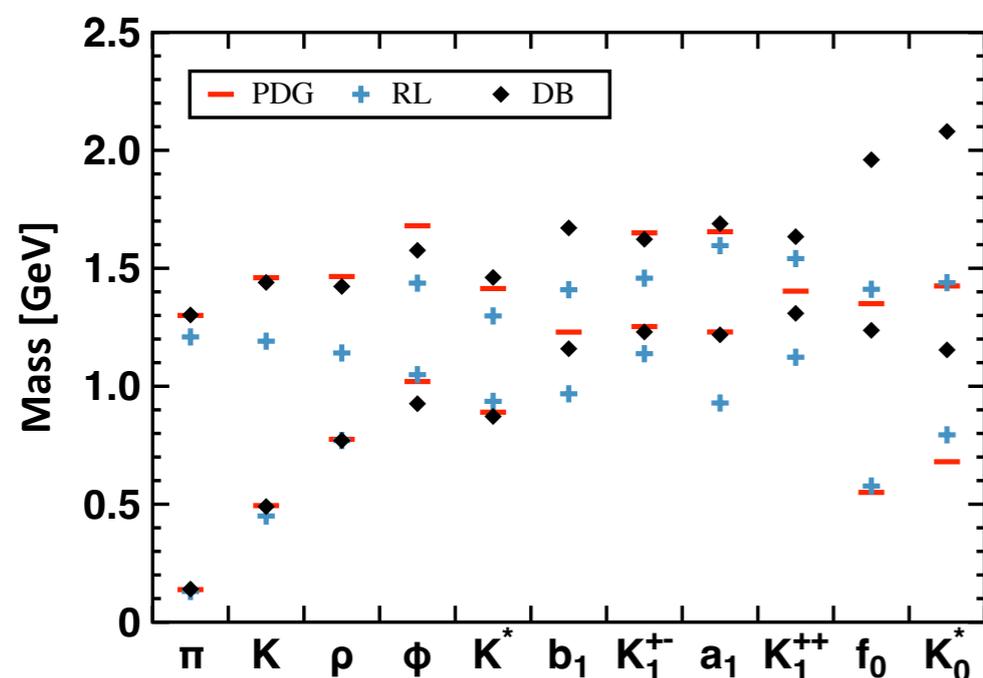
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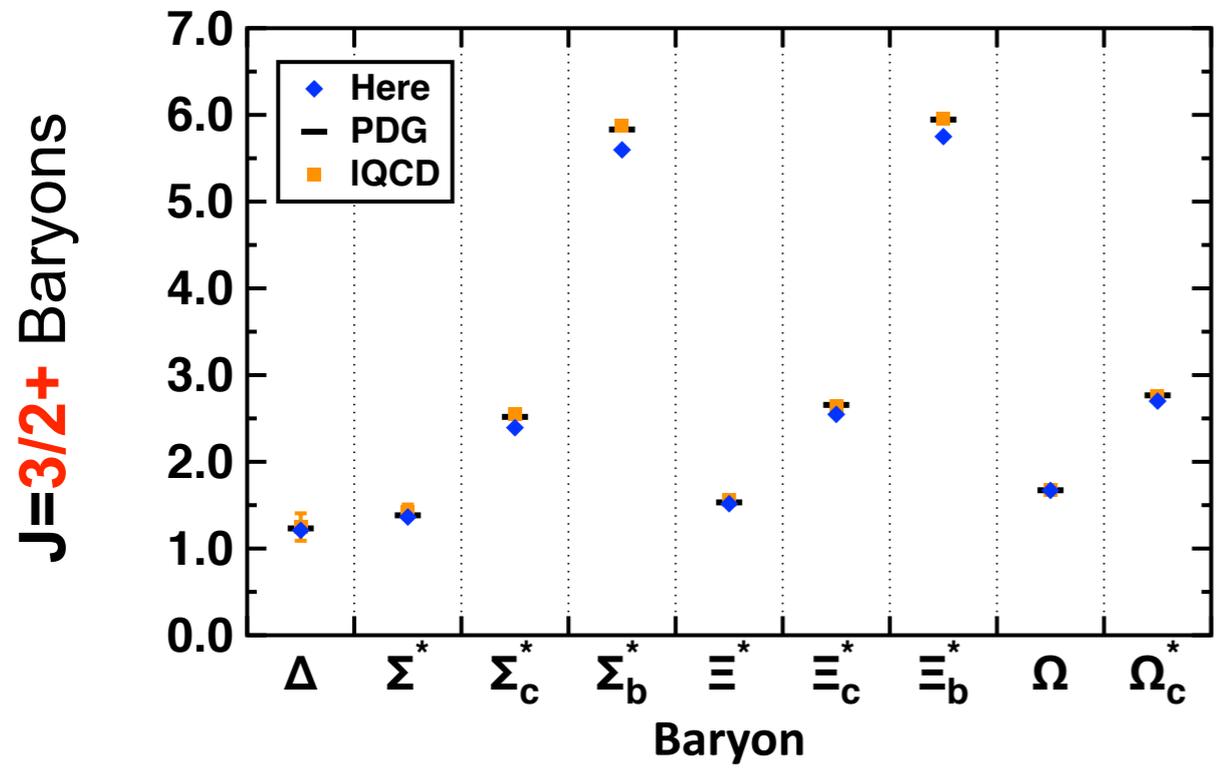
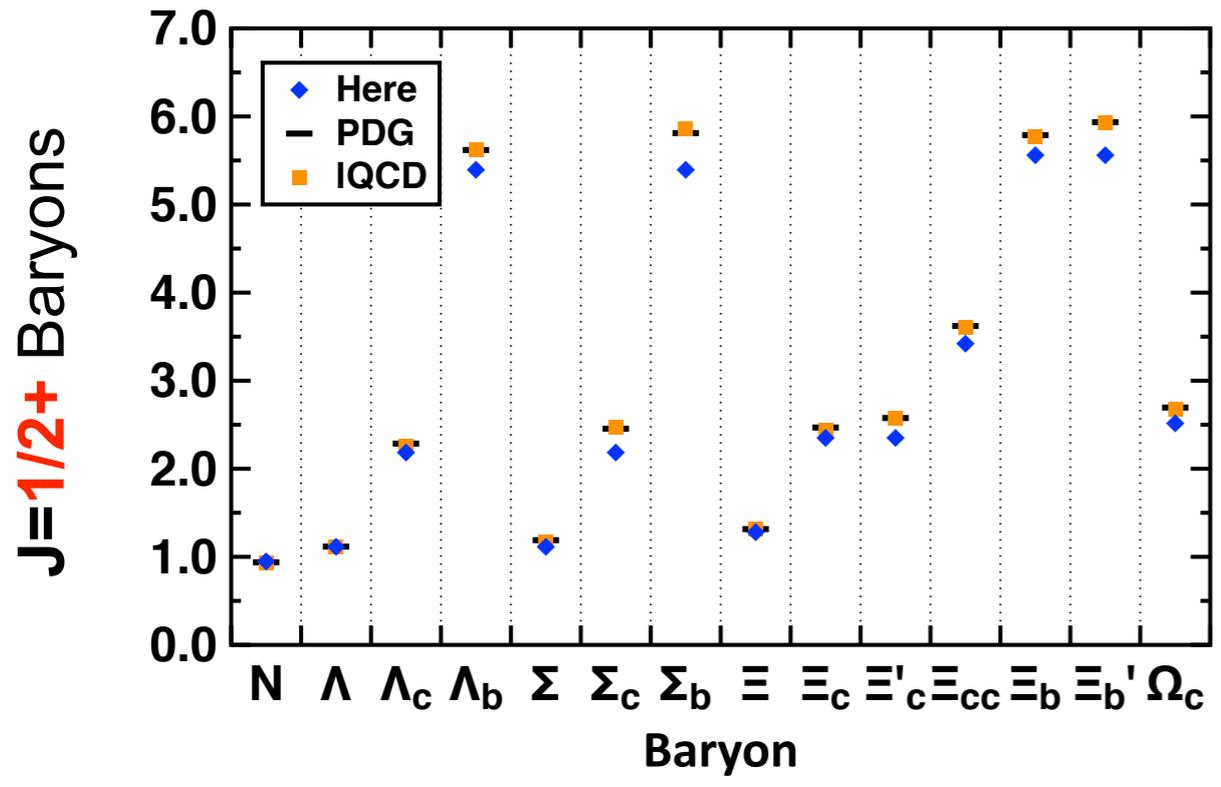
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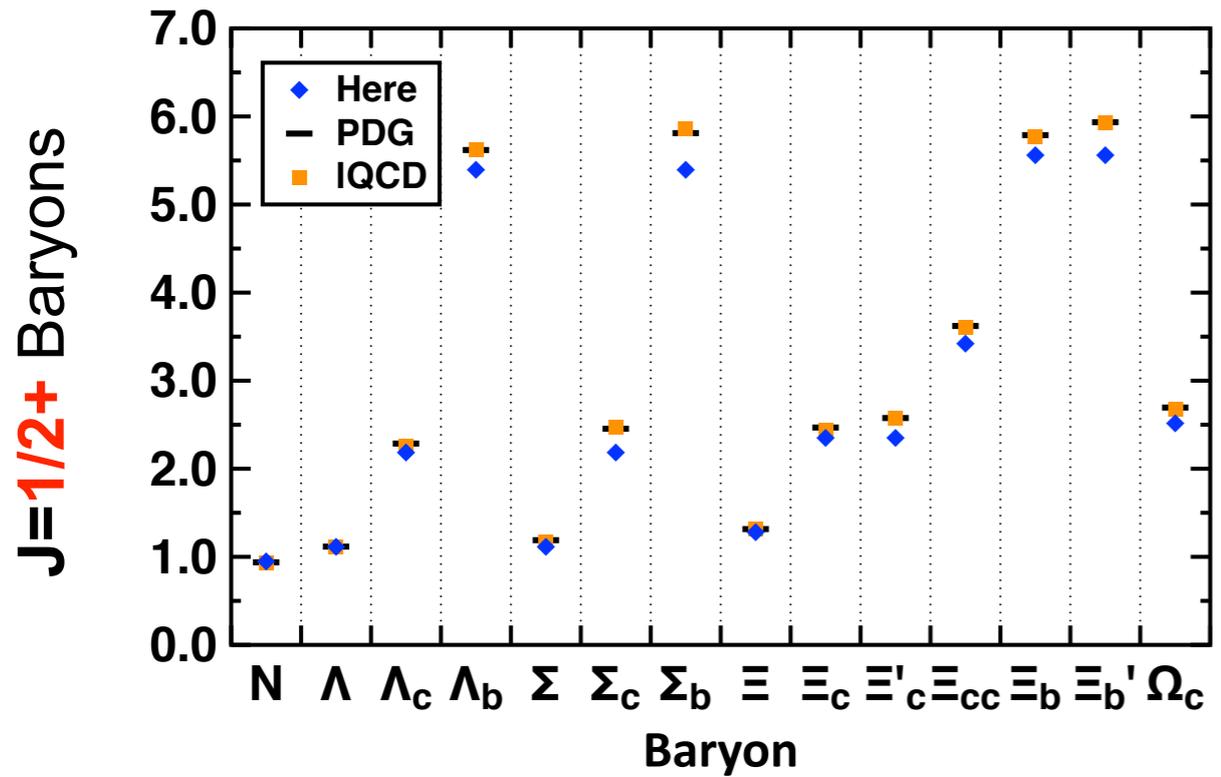
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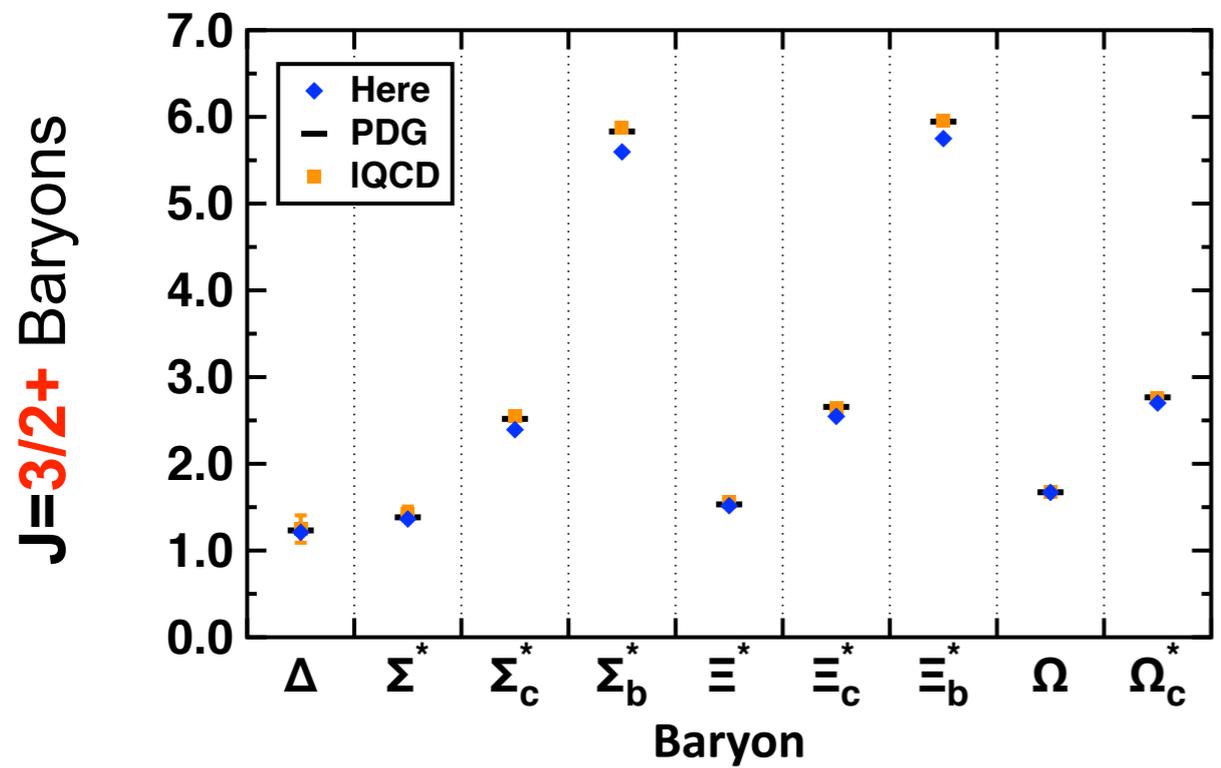


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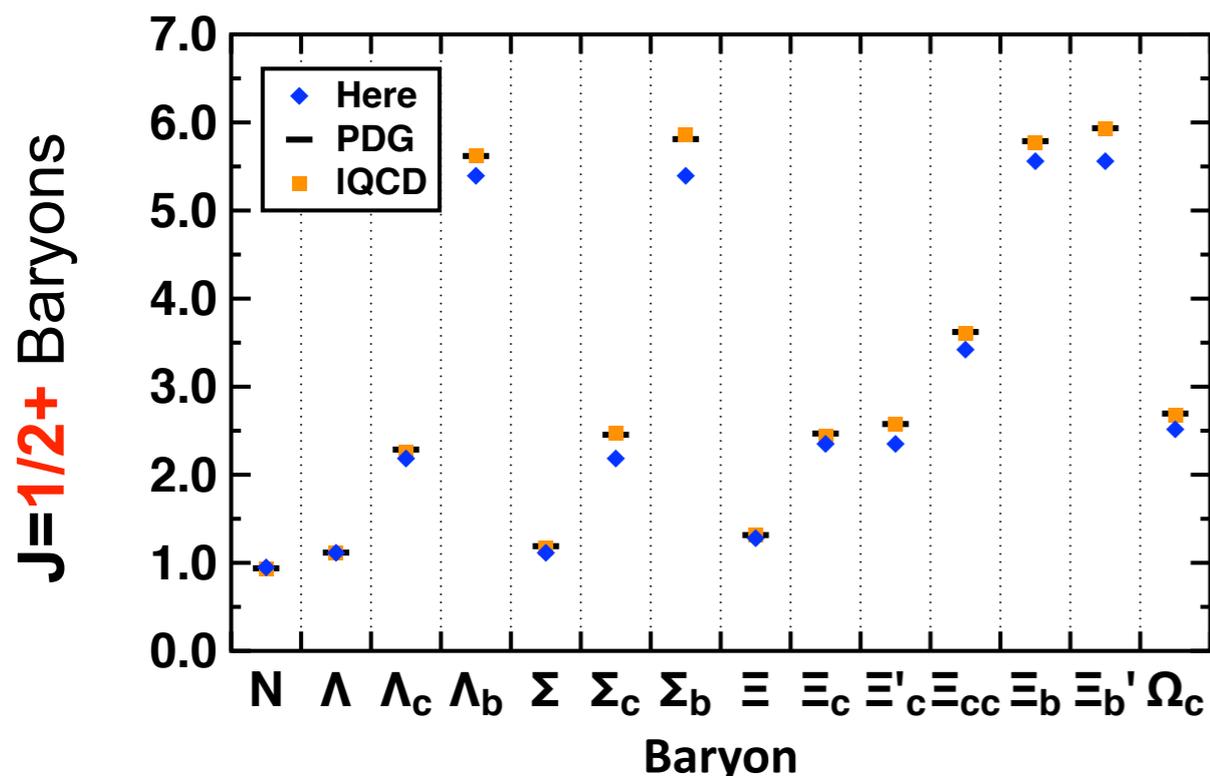


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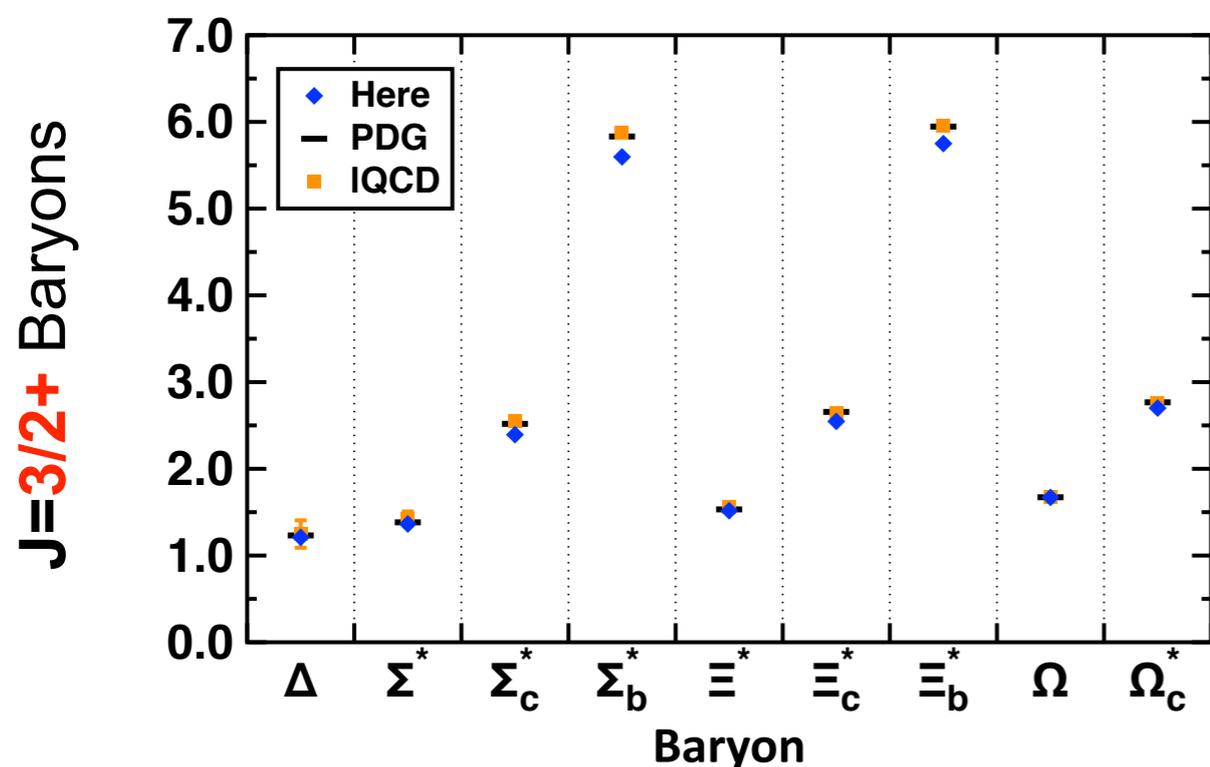
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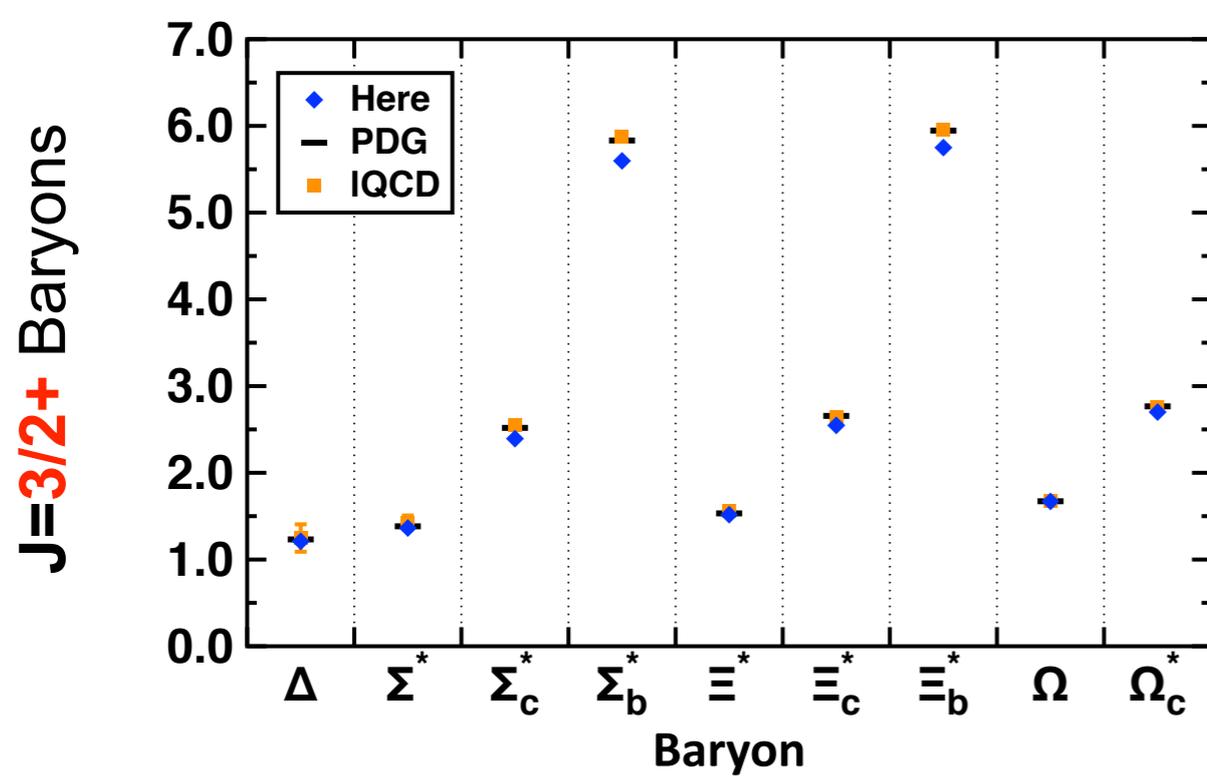
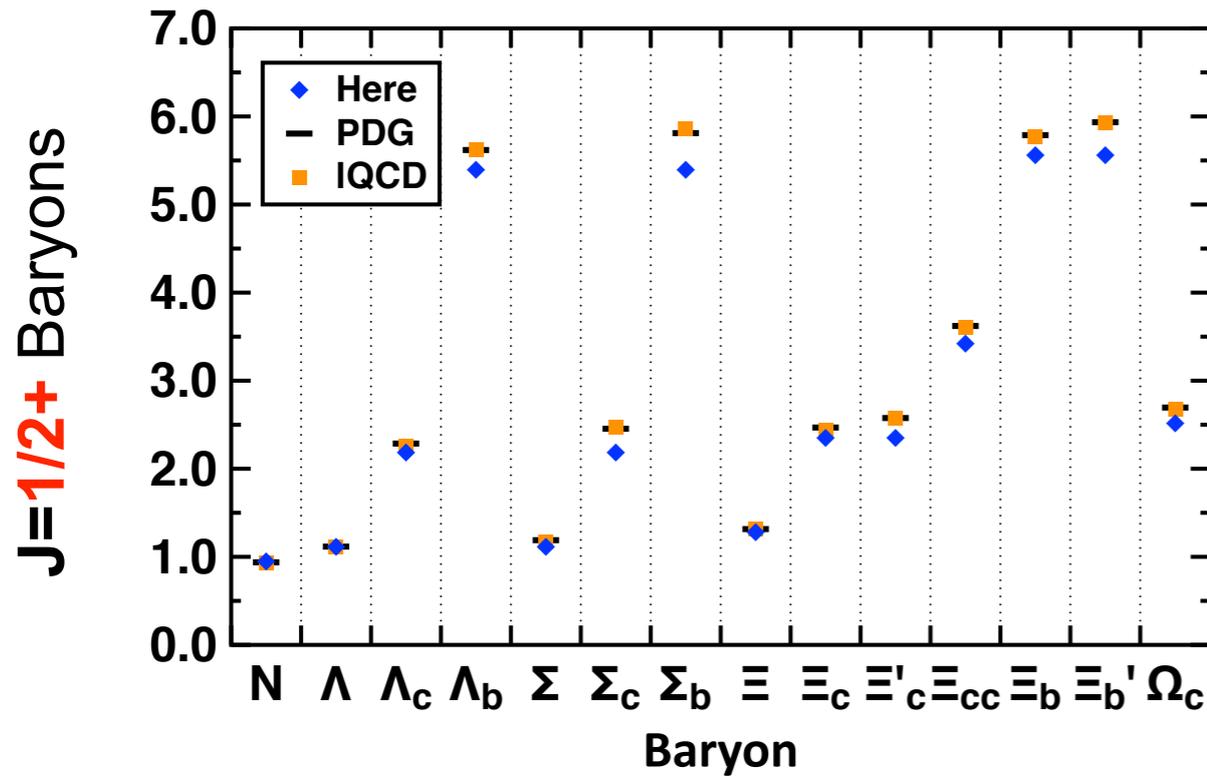


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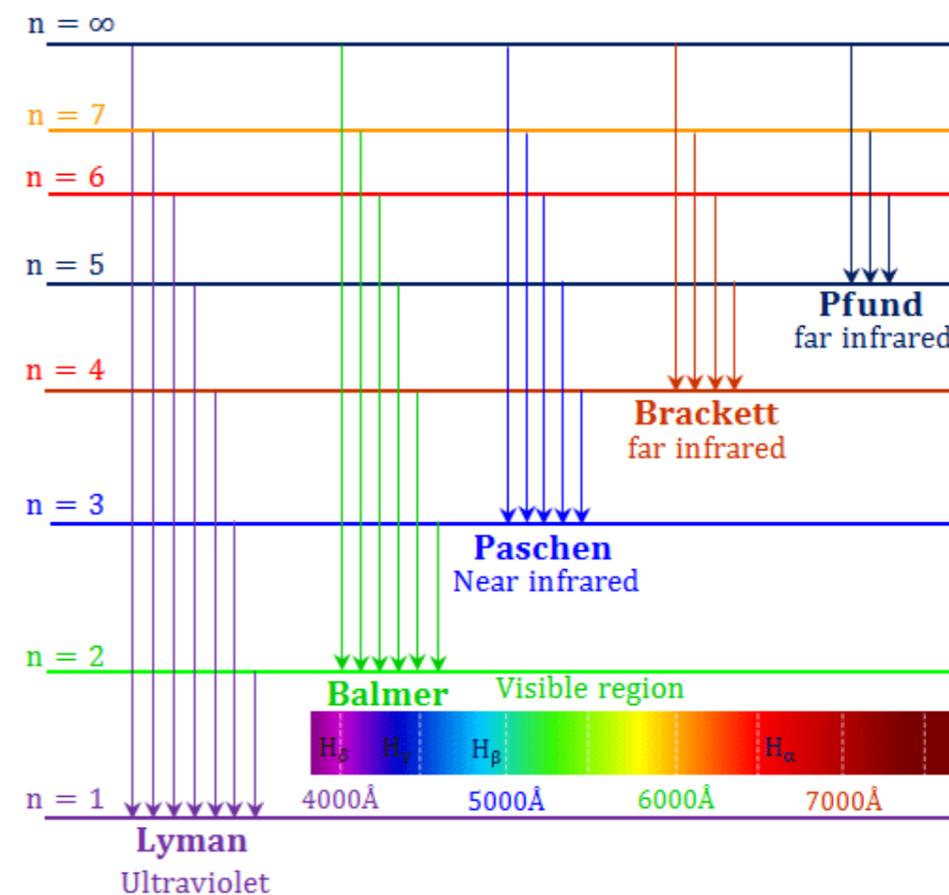
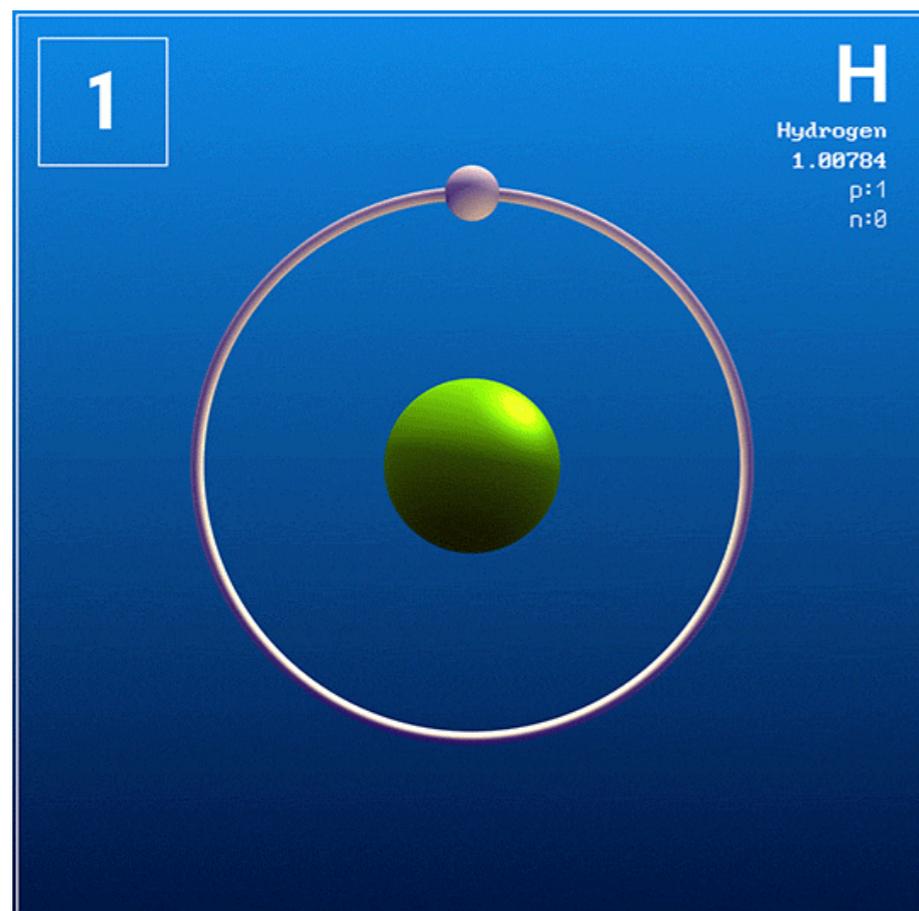
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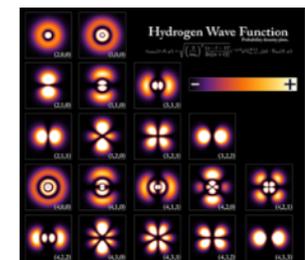
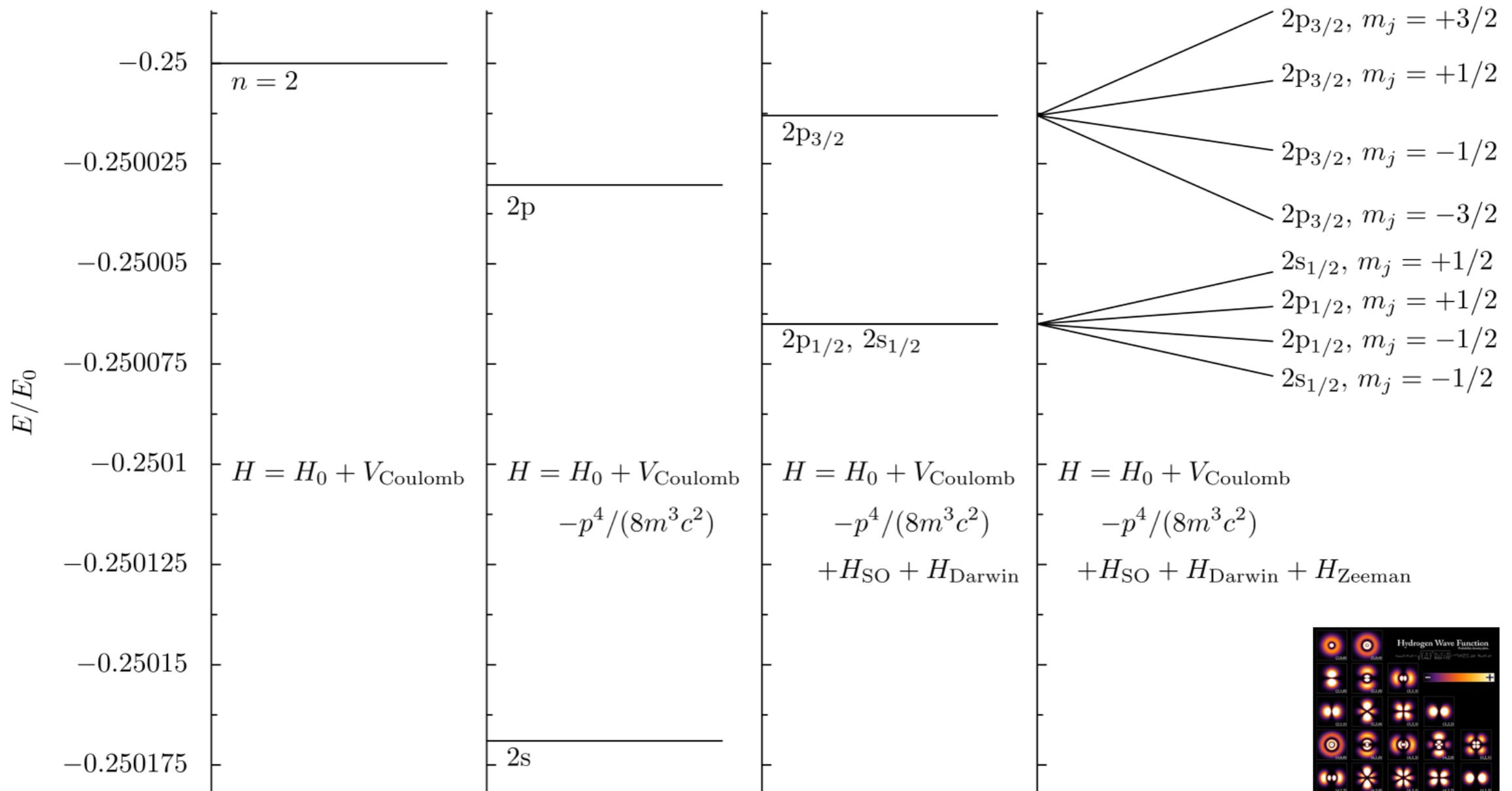
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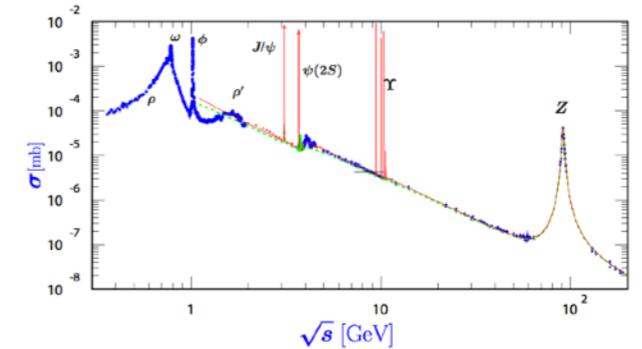
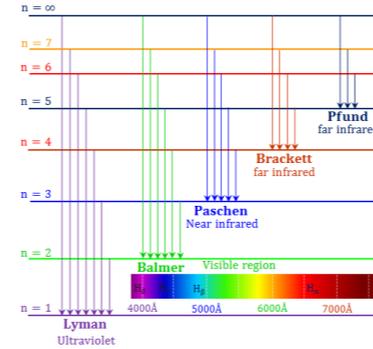
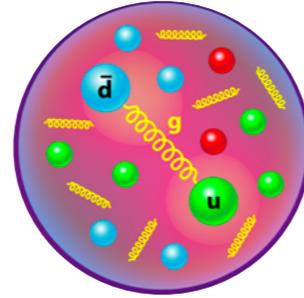
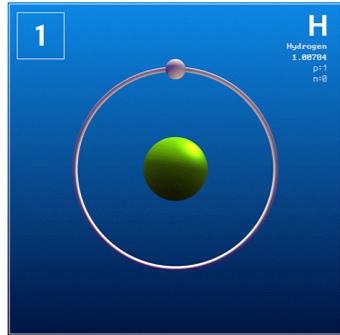
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Background: Hadron — The QCD “atom”



QM: Schrödinger equation

$$H |\psi\rangle = E |\psi\rangle$$



QFT: Bound-state equation

$$K \Psi = \lambda(P^2) \Psi$$

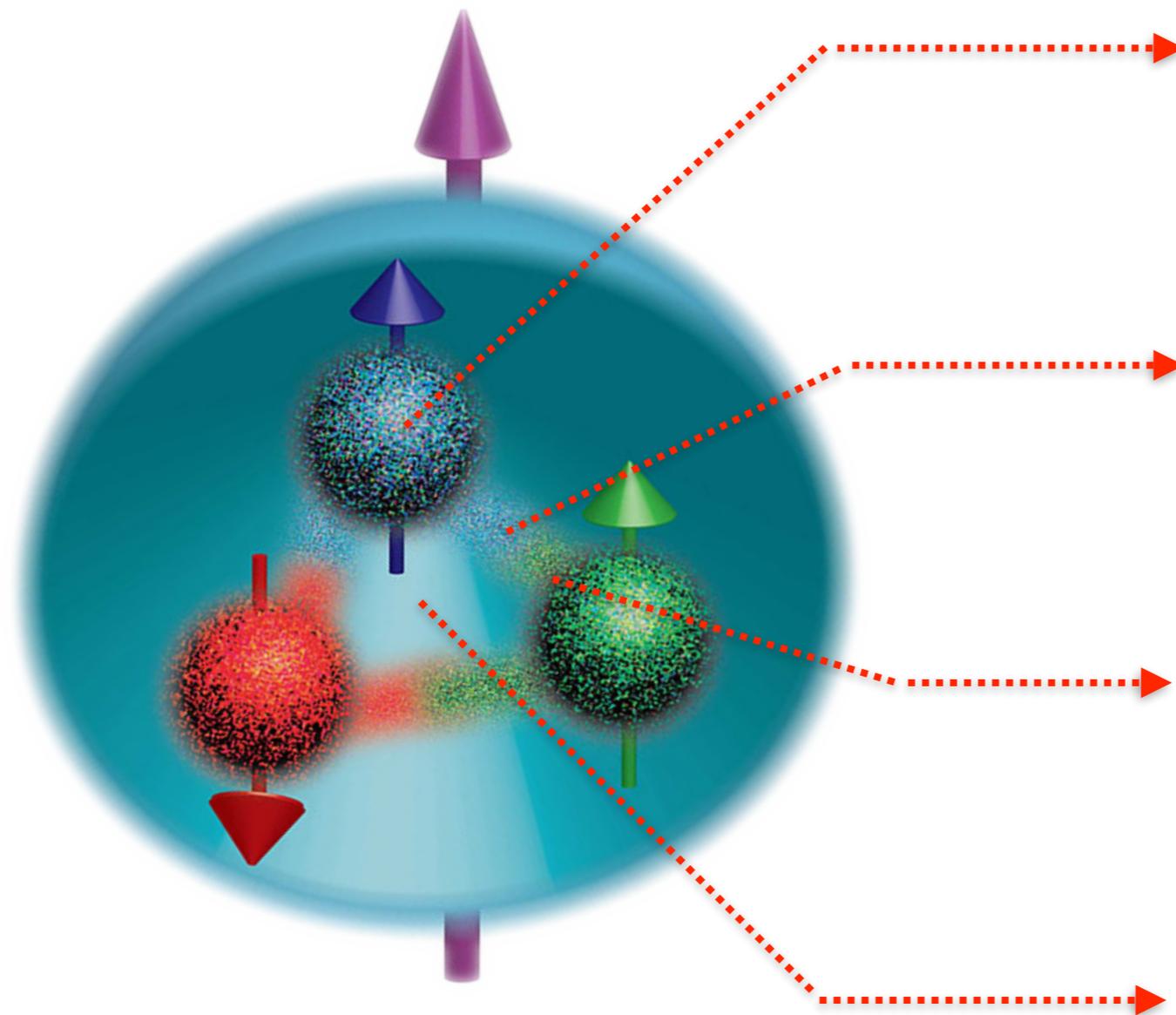
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Chapter I: Theory

Physics of quark, gluon, vertex, and kernel

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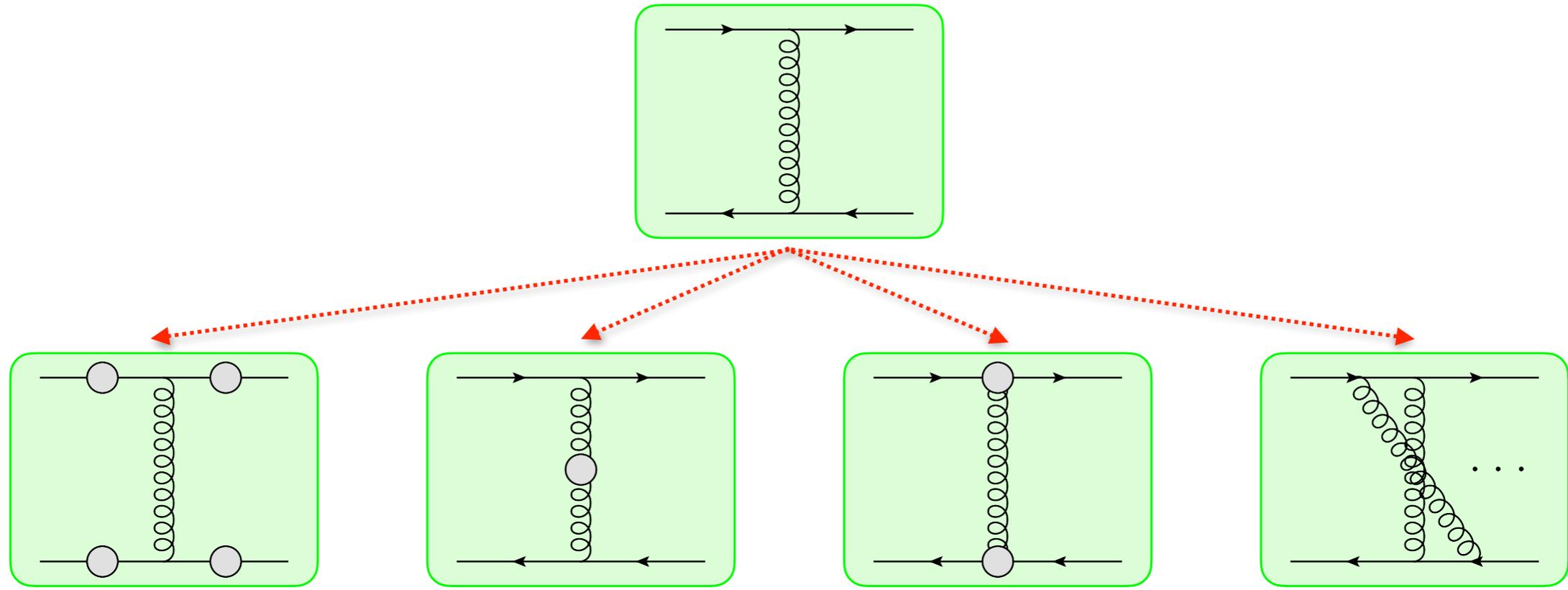
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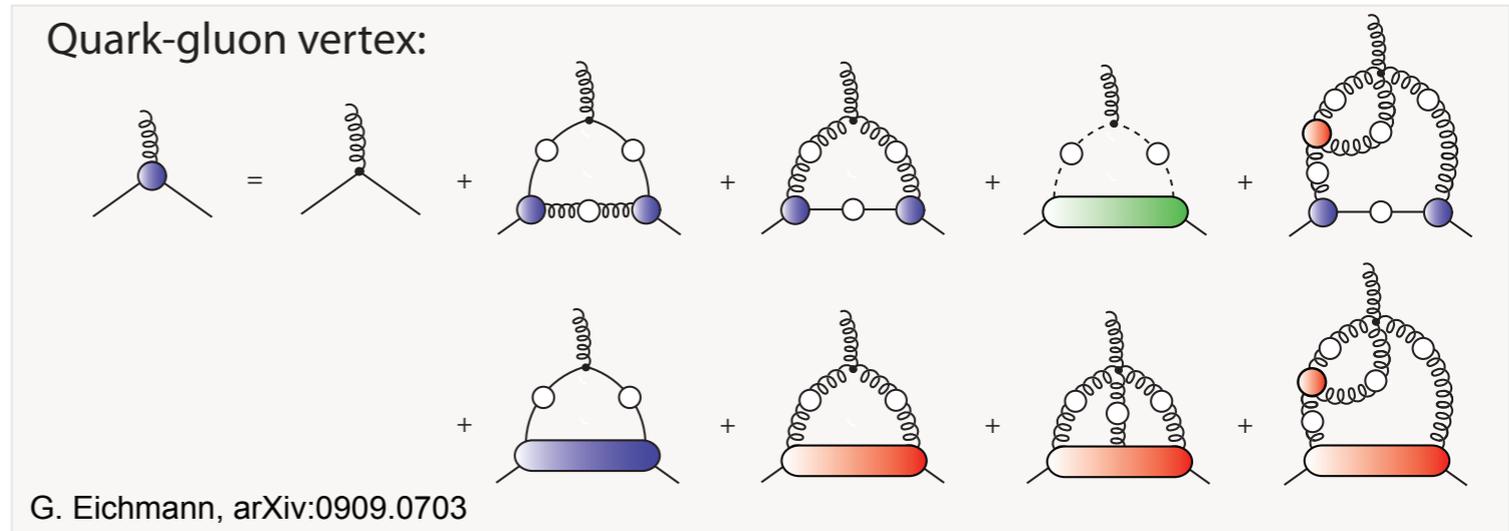
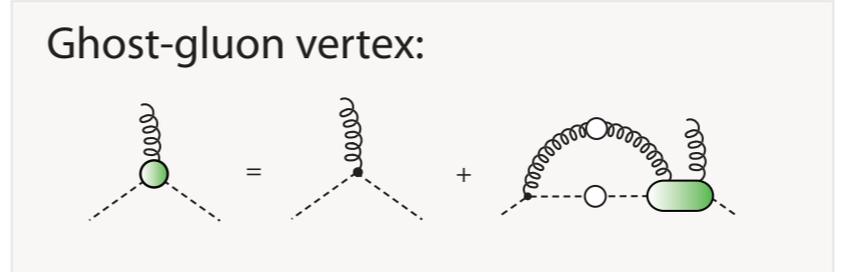
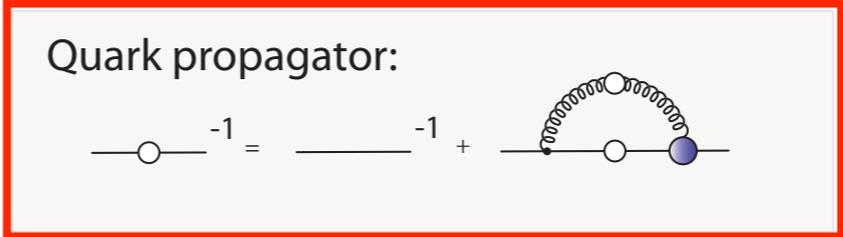
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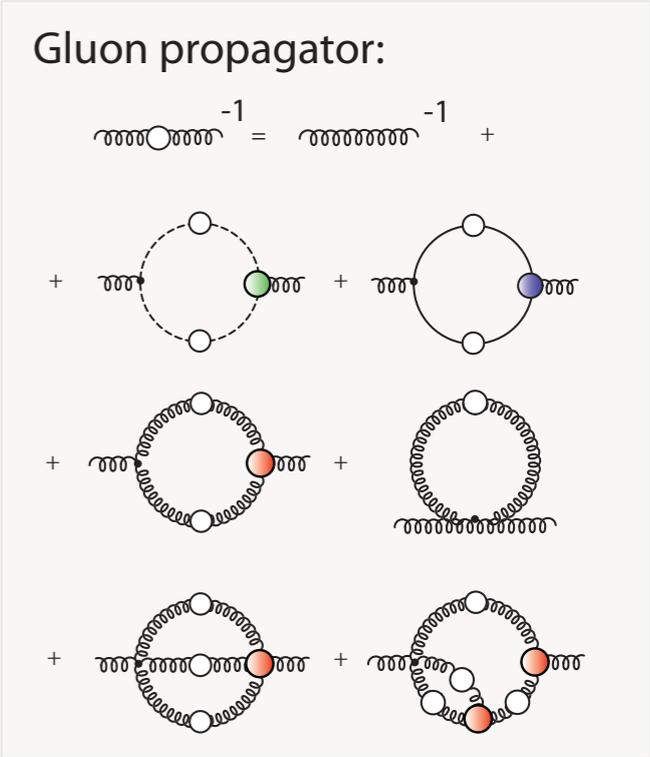
$$\left\langle \frac{\delta S[\phi(x)]}{\delta \phi(x)} \right\rangle = 0$$



Dyson-Schwinger Equations

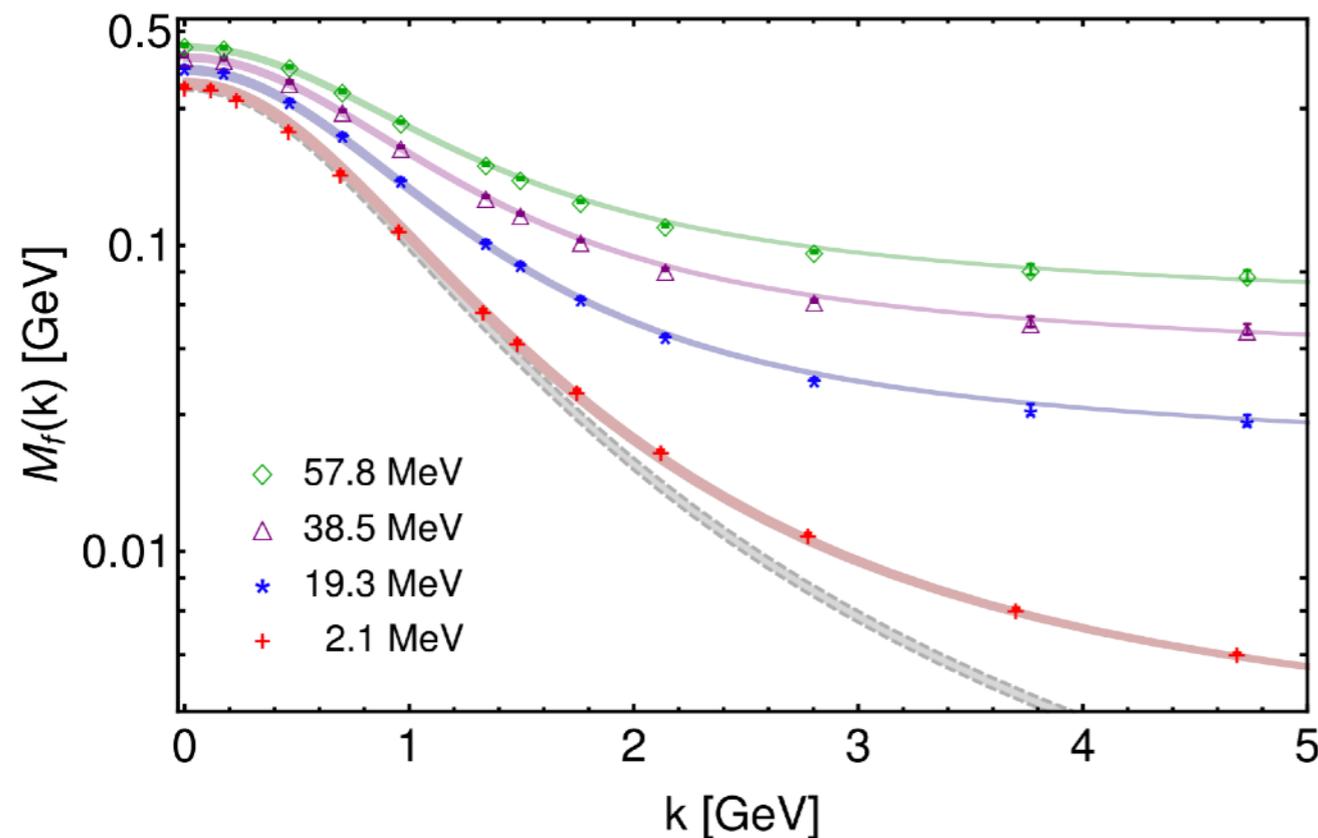


G. Eichmann, arXiv:0909.0703



$$S(p) = \frac{1}{i\gamma \cdot p A(p^2) + B(p^2)} = \frac{Z(p^2)}{i\gamma \cdot p + M(p^2)}$$

Chang, Yang, et. al., PRD 104, 094509 (2021)



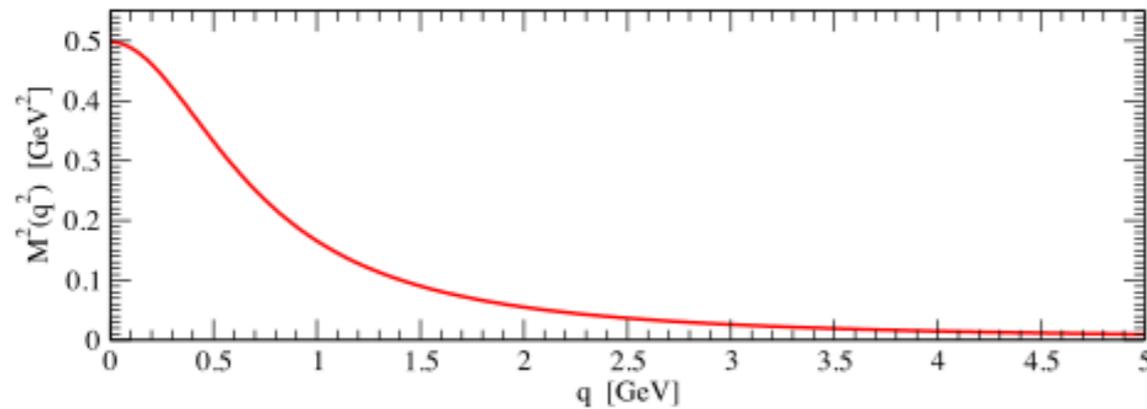
◆ Now:

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2. The most **constituent mass** of a light quark comes from a cloud of gluons.

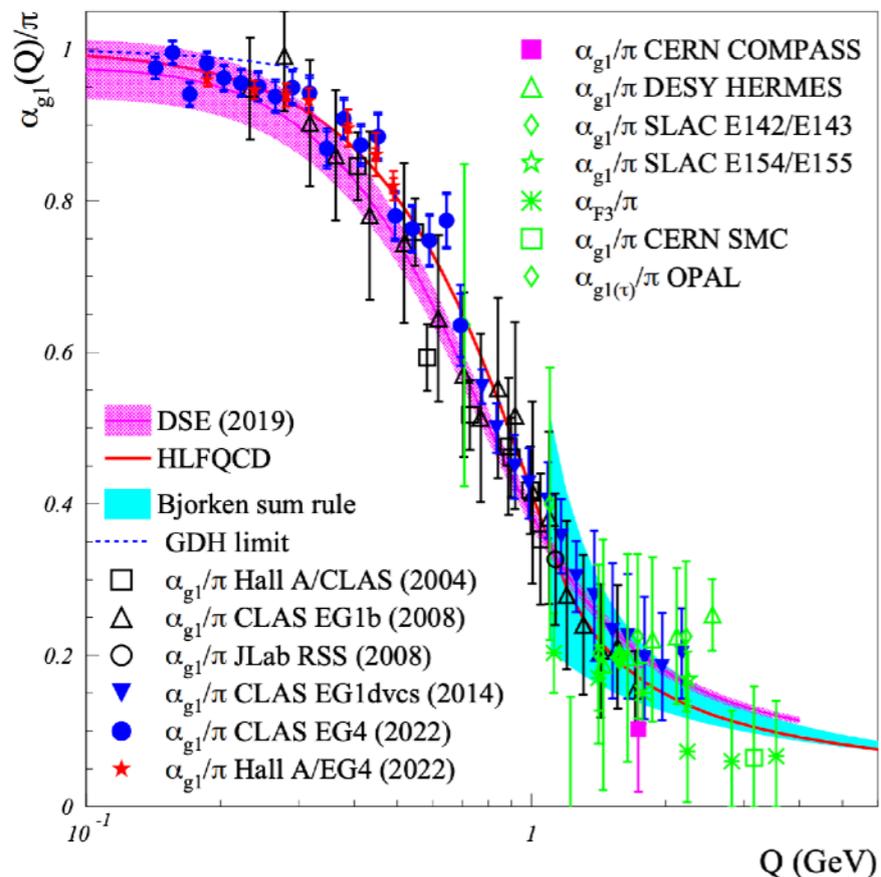
◆ Next:

1. What is the **infrared scale** of quark mass function?
2. How does the **transition** connect the non-perturbative and perturbative regions?

Gluon mass function: O. Oliveira et. al., J.Phys. G38, 045003 (2011)



Running coupling: Deur, Brodsky, Roberts, PPNP, 104081 (2024)



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1. The dressed gluon can be well parameterized by a **mass scale**

$$m_g^2(k^2) = \frac{M_g^4}{M_g^2 + k^2}$$

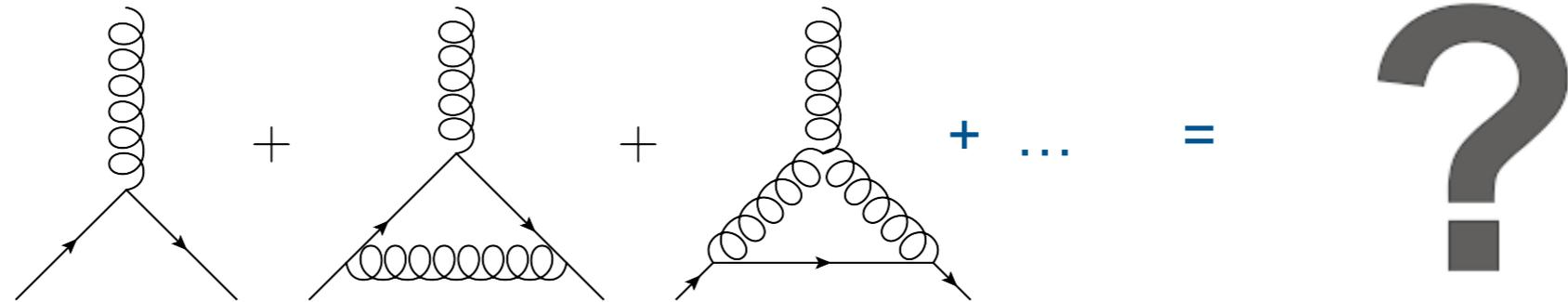
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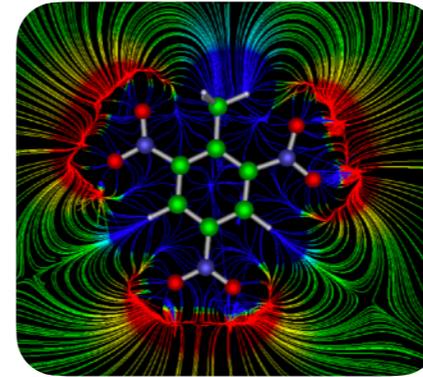
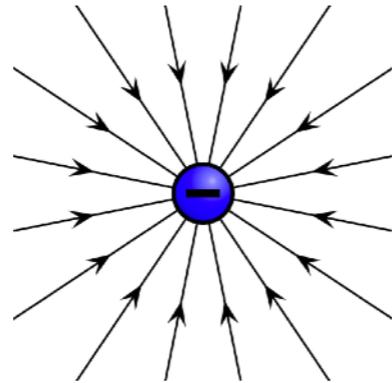
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Quark-gluon vertex:



point charge



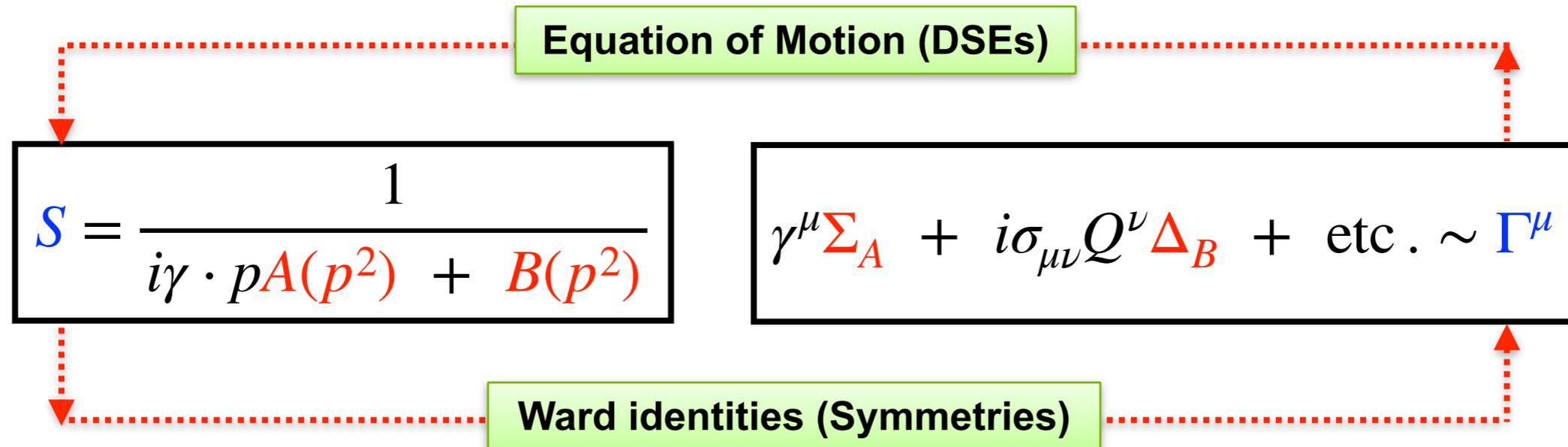
distributed charge

- ◆ The **Dirac** and **Pauli** terms: for an on-shell fermion, the vertex can be decomposed by two form factors:

$$\Gamma^\mu(P', P) = \gamma^\mu F_1(Q^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{2M_f} Q^\nu F_2(Q^2)$$

- ◆ The form factors express (color-)charge and (color-)magnetization densities. And the so-called **anomalous magnetic moment** is proportional to the Pauli term.

See, e.g., PLB722, 384 (2013)



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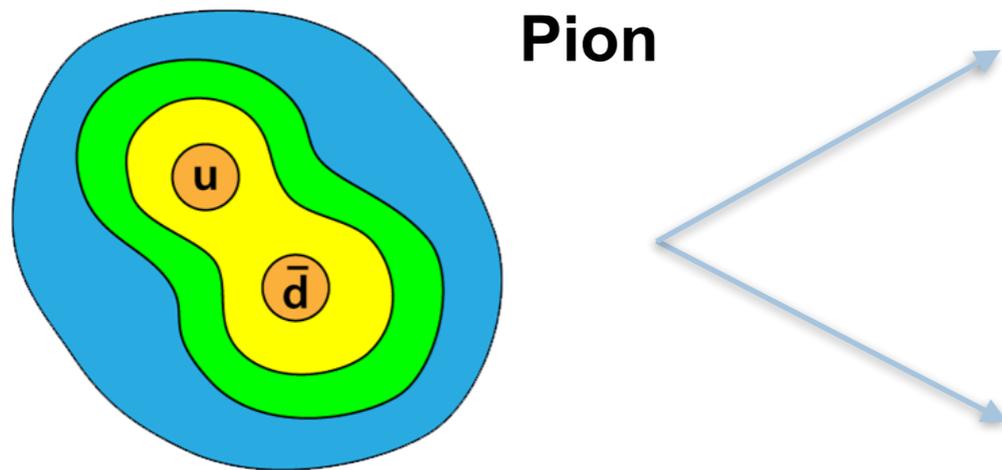
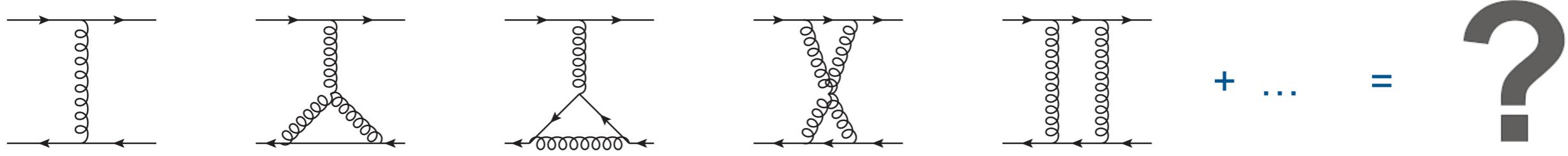
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- ◆ **Bound state** of quark and anti-quark, but abnormally light:

$$M_\pi \ll M_u + M_{\bar{d}}$$

- ◆ **Goldstone's theorem:** If a generic continuous symmetry is spontaneously broken, then new **massless scalar** particles appear in the spectrum of possible excitations.

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Poincaré symmetry
C-, P-, T-symmetry

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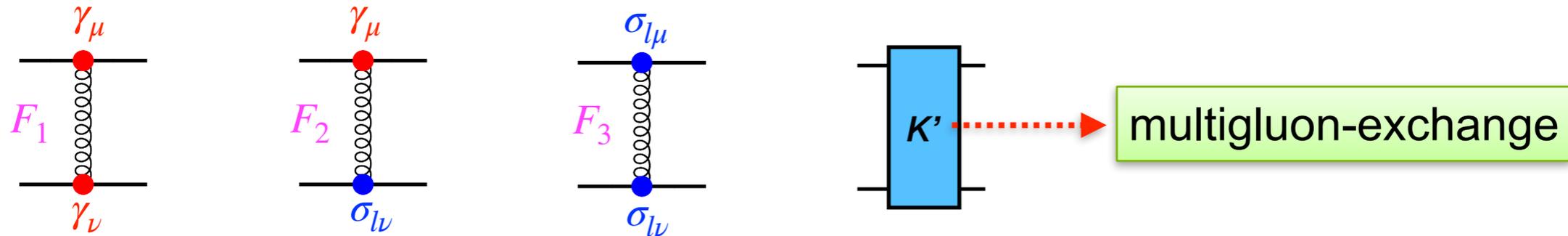
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$$f_{\pi} E_{\pi}(k^2) = B(k^2)$$

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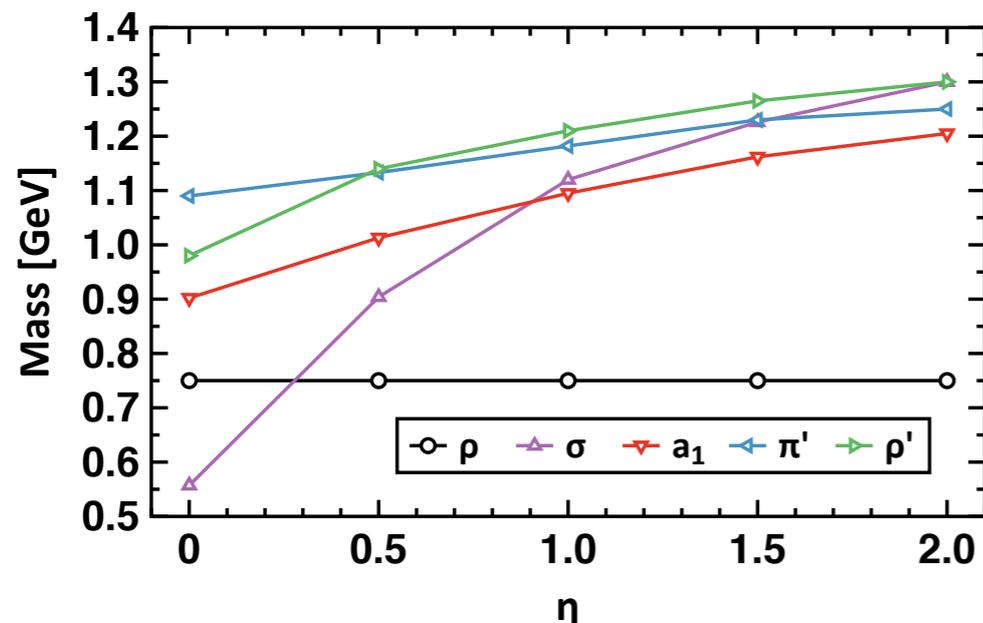
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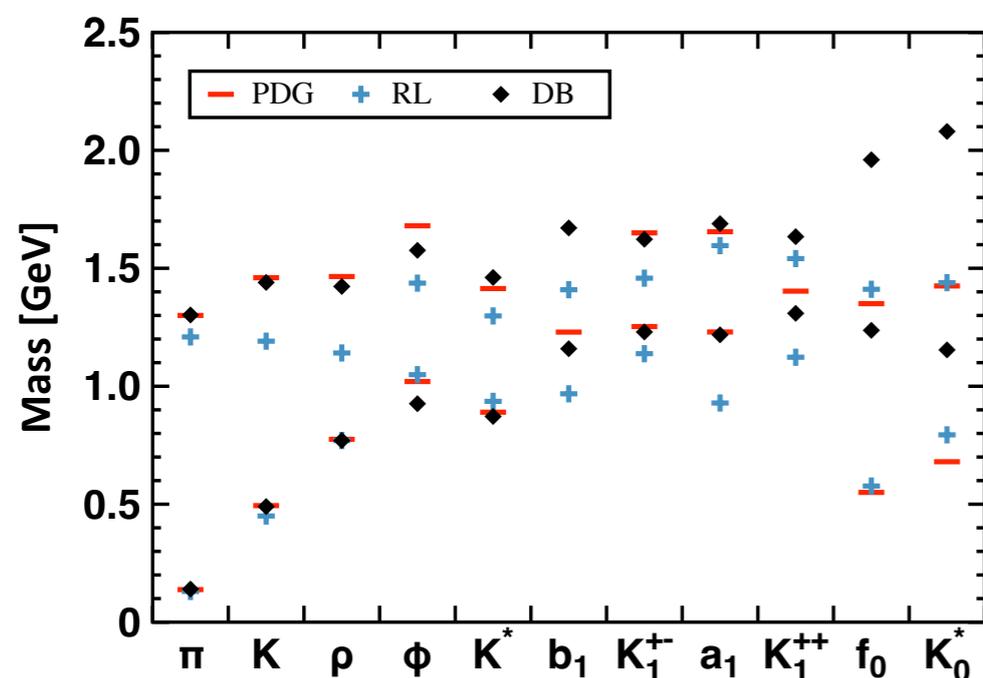
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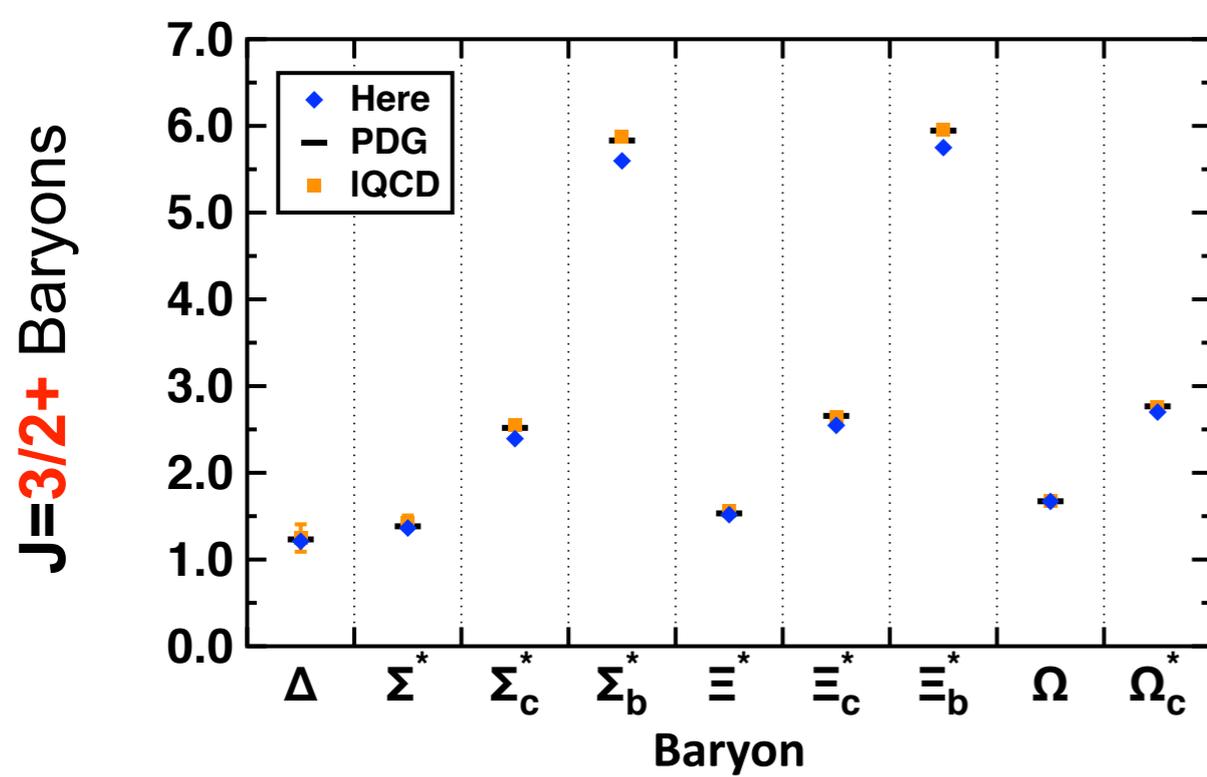
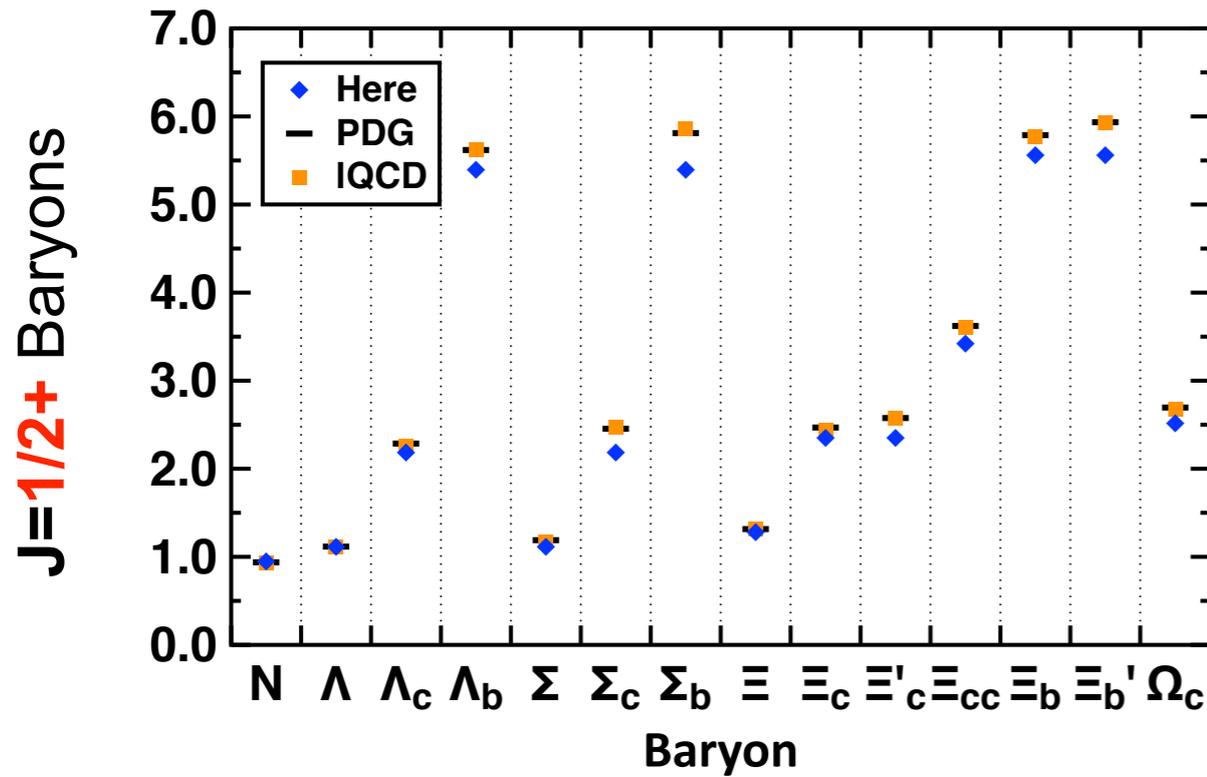


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