

A lattice study of the $K^*(892)$ resonance in P-wave pion-kaon scattering

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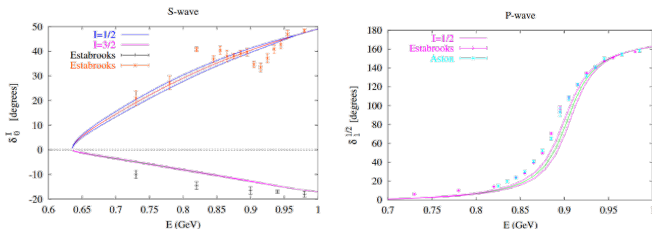


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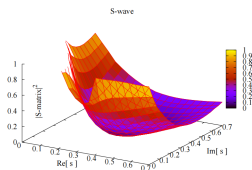
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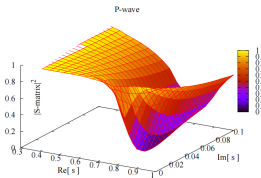
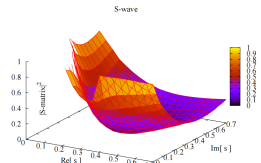
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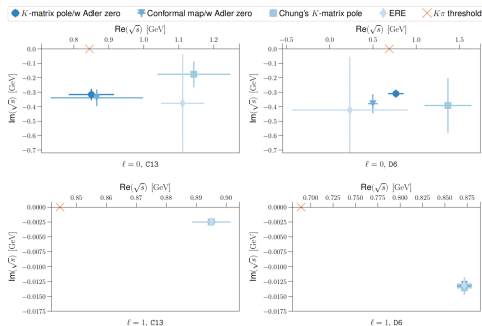
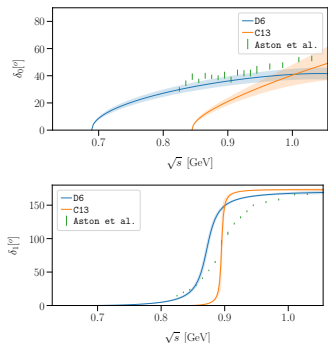
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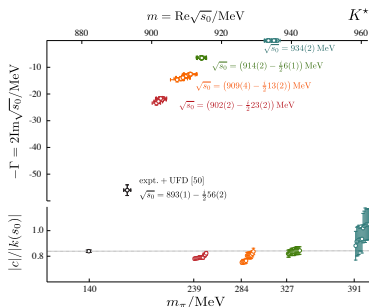
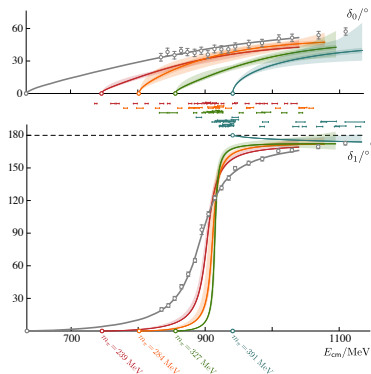
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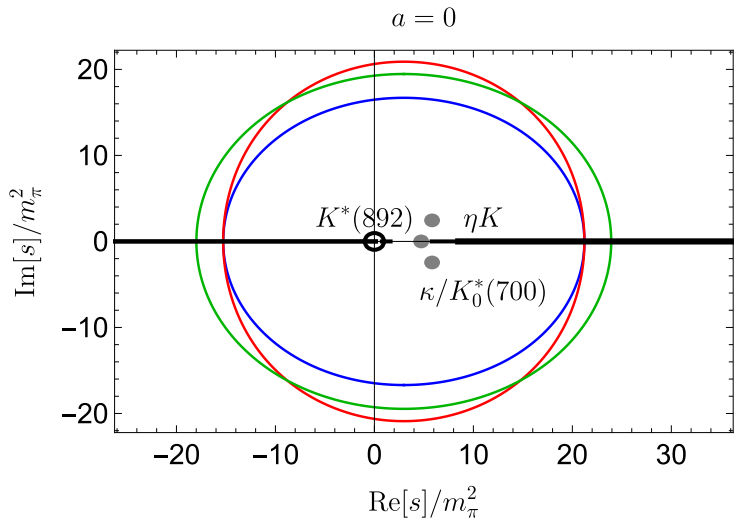
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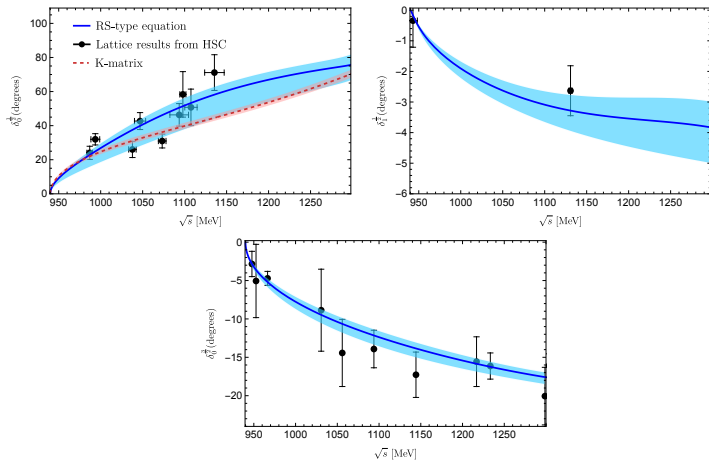
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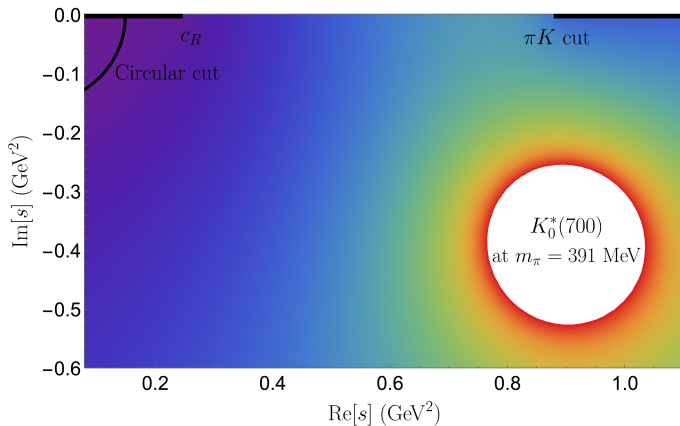
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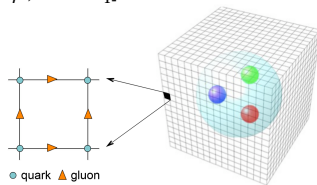
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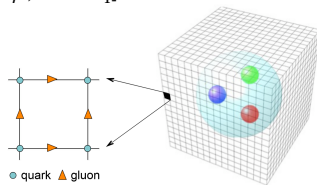
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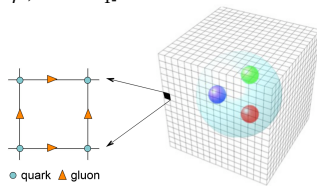
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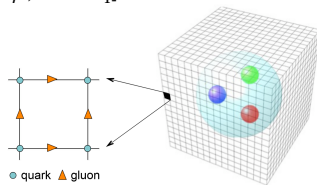
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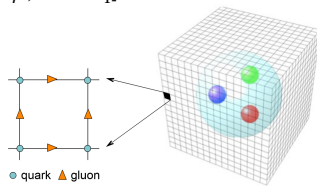
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- Hadron correlators in terms of quark fields

$$\langle \mathcal{O}_h(t) \mathcal{O}_h^\dagger(0) \rangle \stackrel{t \gg 0}{\sim} C \exp(-m_h t)$$

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$$O_{K\pi}^{I=1/2}(t, p_1, p_2) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \pi^+(t, p_1) K^0(t, p_2) - \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \pi^0(t, p_1) K^+(t, p_2)$$

with

$$\pi^0(t, p_1) = \sum_x e^{ip_1 \cdot x} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\bar{d}(t, x) \gamma_5 d(t, x) - \bar{u}(t, x) \gamma_5 u(t, x)]$$

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- Projection method

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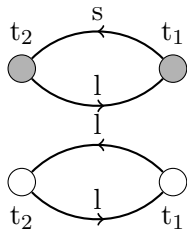
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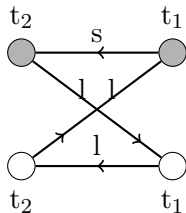
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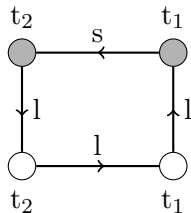
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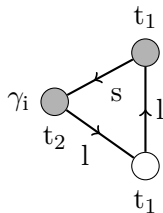
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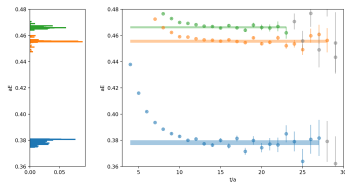
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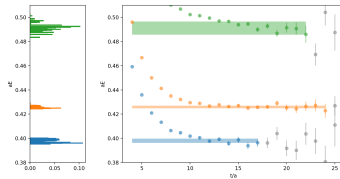
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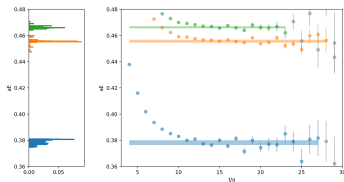


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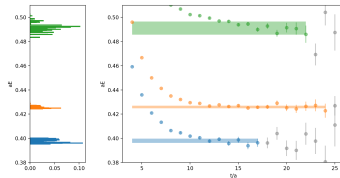


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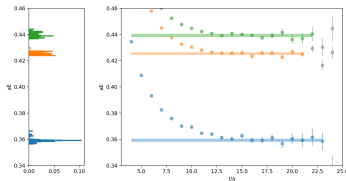


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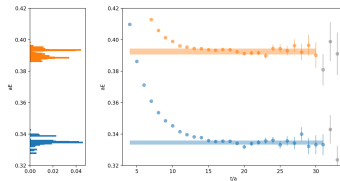


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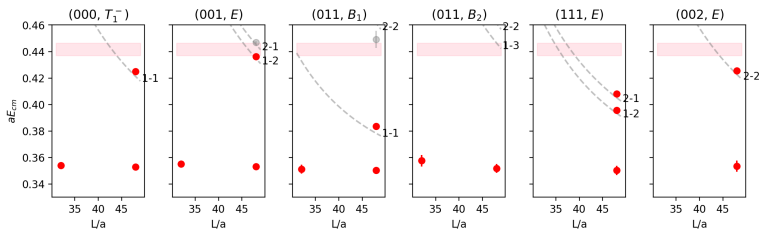
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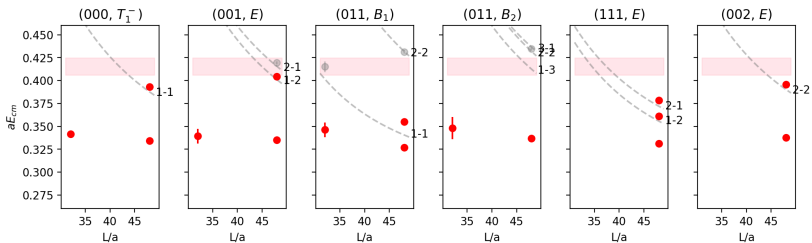
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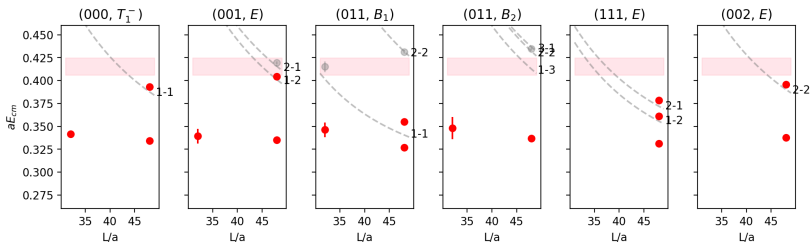
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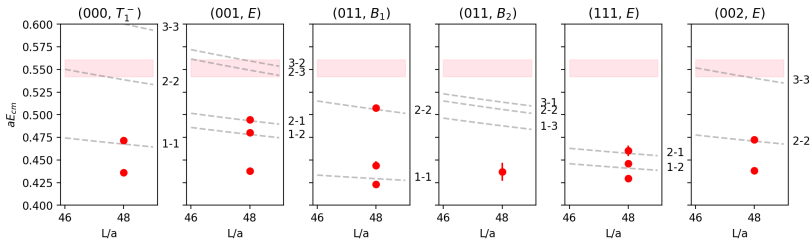
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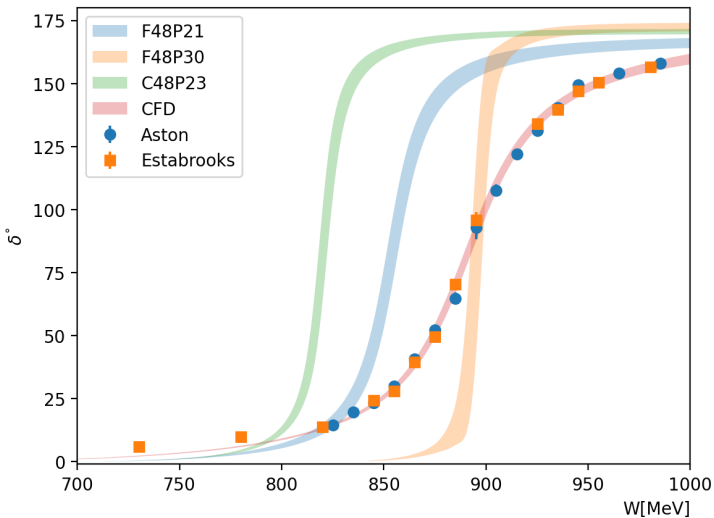
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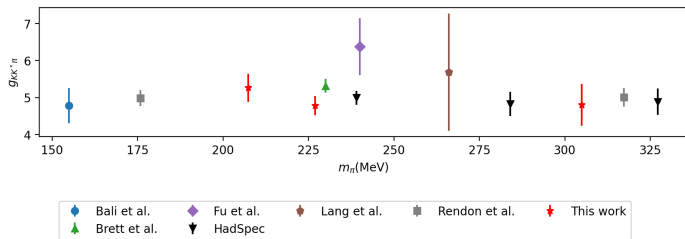
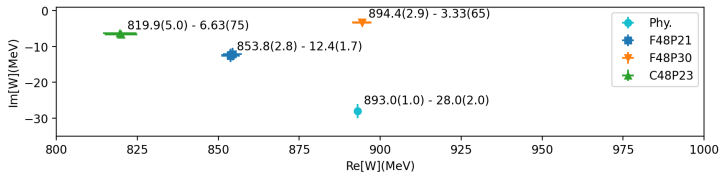
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