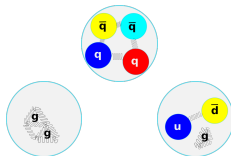
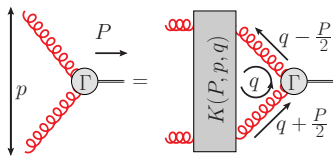


# Exploring exotic hadrons with functional equations

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# Bound states of the strong interaction

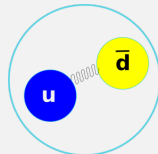
Quark model 1964:

- Solve Schrödinger equation with a given potential, e.g., Cornell:

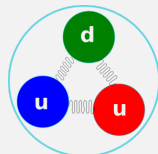
$$V(r) = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{r} + \sigma r + \text{const.}$$

- Abundance of states

Meson



Baryon

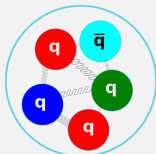


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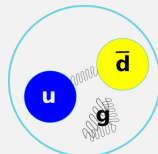
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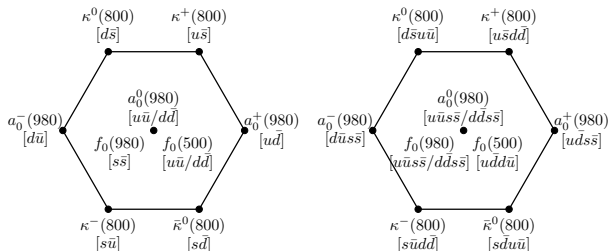


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Classification not always easy, e.g., scalar sector  $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$ :

- $q\bar{q}$  mesons, tetraquarks: (inverted) mass hierarchy?

[Jaffe, Phys. Rev. D 15 (1977)]



Functional review:

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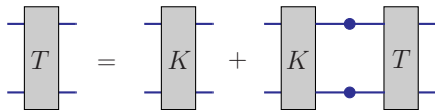
$f_0(500)$
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$f_0(1710)$

glueball candidates

# Functional bound state equation

Dyson equation: nonperturbative resummation!

Compare:  $f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x} = 1 + x + x^2 + \dots = 1 + x f(x) = 1 + x + x^2 f(x)$

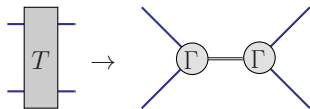


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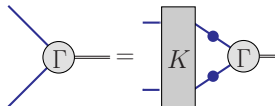
$T$  contains bound states:



$$T \rightarrow \frac{\Gamma \bar{\Gamma}}{P^2 + M^2}$$

Plug into Dyson equation:

→ homogeneous Bethe-Salpeter equ.



[Review: Eichmann, Sanchis-Alepuz, Williams, Alkofer, Fischer, Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys. 91 (2016)]



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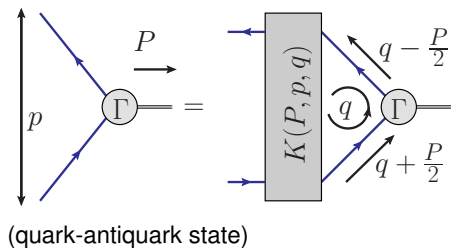
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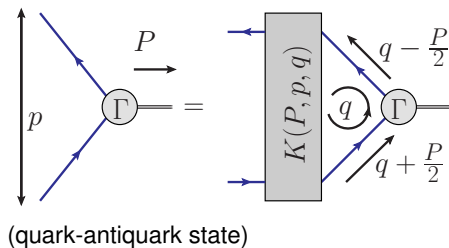
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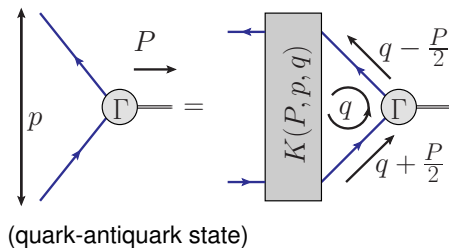
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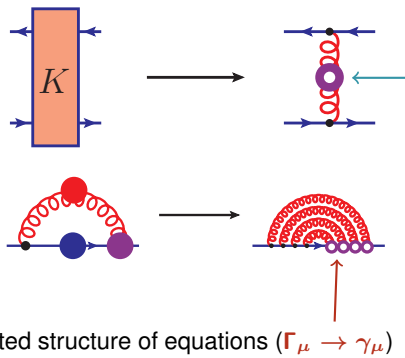
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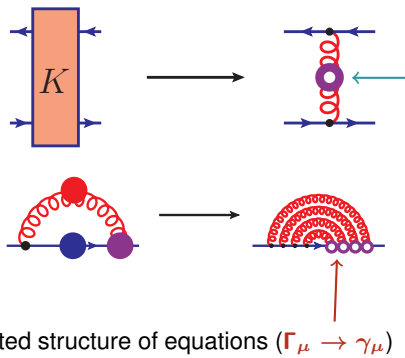


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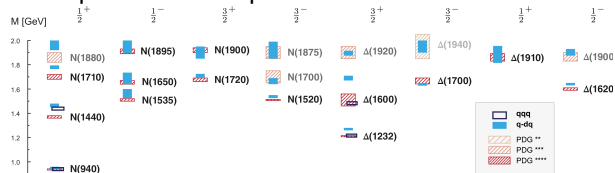


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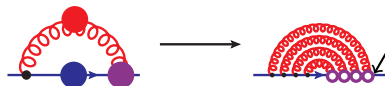


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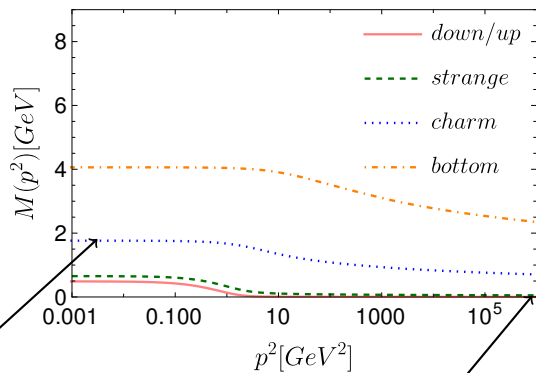
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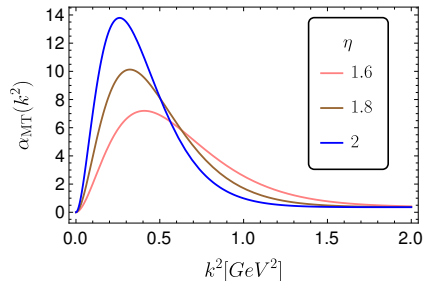
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# Example for a model: Maris-Tandy interaction

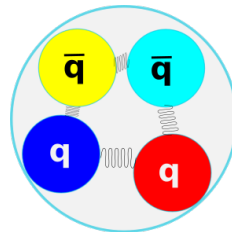
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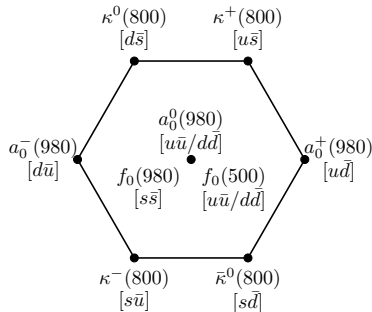
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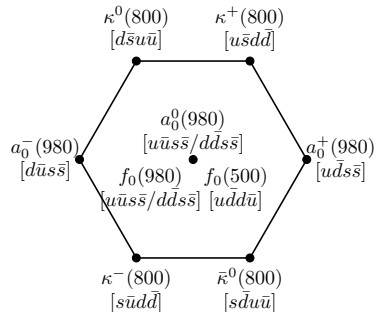
# Tetraquarks

- Light scalar mesons: (inverted) mass hierarchy [Jaffe, PRD15 (1977)]?  
History of  $\sigma$  meson, lightest scalar nonet is incompatible with  $q\bar{q}$  picture:

$q\bar{q}$ :



$q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ :

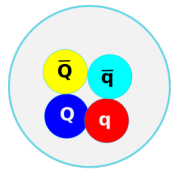


- Experimental discovery of exotic **XYZ states**  $\rightarrow$  four-quark states?

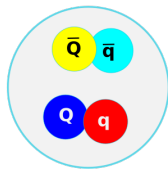
# Structure of four-quark states

Consider heavy-light system, e.g.,  $X(3872)$ .

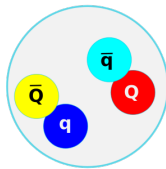
Possible clustering of states:



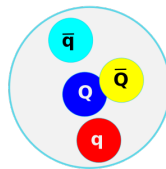
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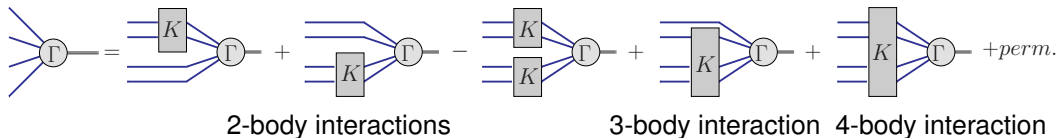


hadro-quarkonium

Not mutually exclusive: Superpositions!

# Tetraquarks: Functional equations

[Eichmann, Fischer, Santowsky, Wallbott, Few-Body Syst.61 (2020)]



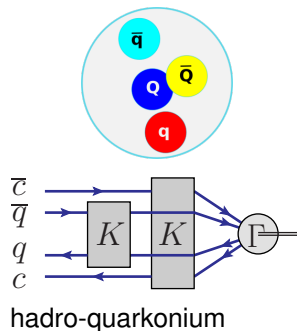
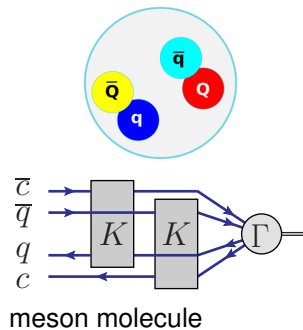
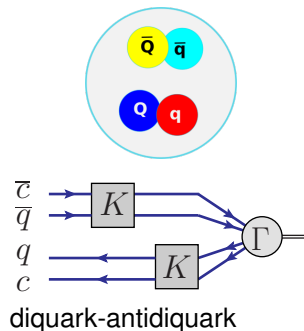
[Kvinikhidze, Khvedelidze, Theor. Math. Phys. 90 (1992); Heupel, Eichmann, Fischer, PLB 718 (2012); Eichmann, Fischer, Heupel, PLB 753 (2016)]

- Neglect 3- and 4-body interactions
- Complicated kinematics (4 momenta):
  - dressings  $f(9 \text{ Lorentz scalar})$
  - $J = 0$ : 256 tensors,  $J = 1$ : 768 tensors

→ Approximations necessary.

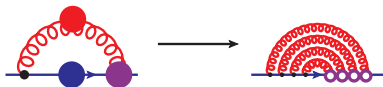
# Clustering

Two-body clusters in amplitudes [Eichmann, Fischer, Heupel, PLB 753 (2016); Wallbott, Eichmann, Fischer, PRD 102 (2020)]:



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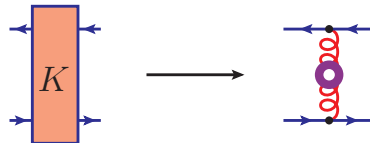
Consistency between quark propagator and bound state equations:



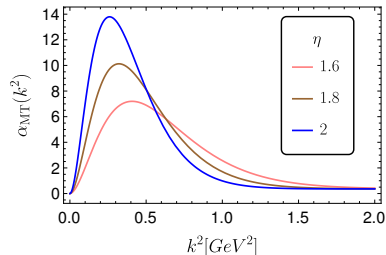
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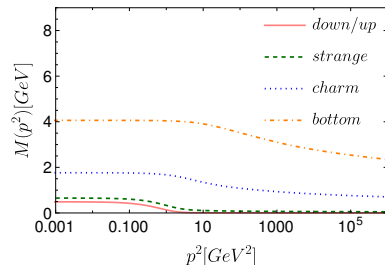
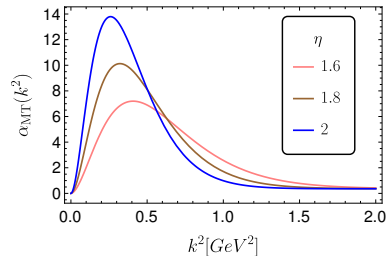


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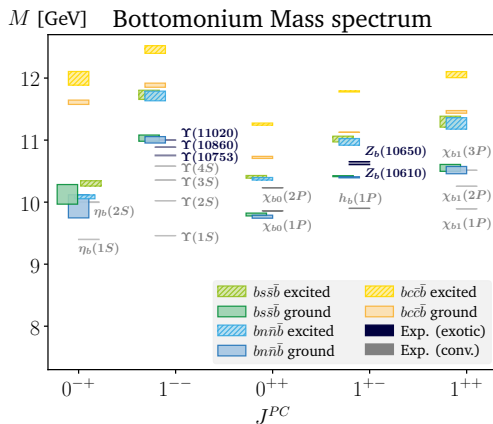
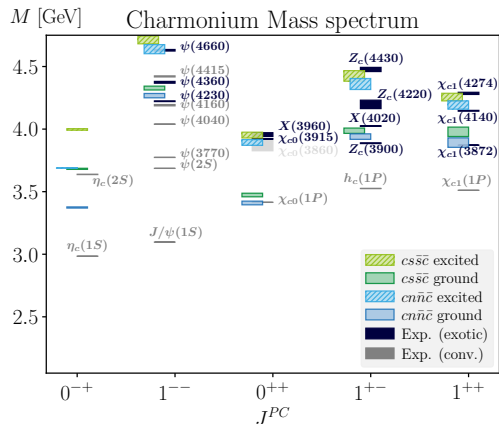




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Some teasers. . . → Full story:

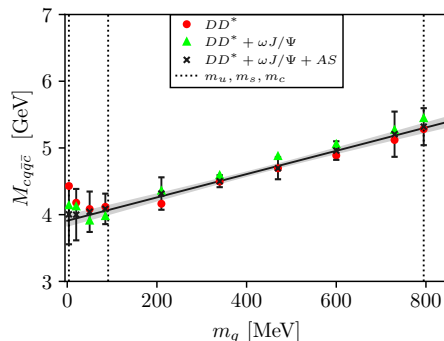
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Identify dominant components, e.g.,  $\chi_{c1}(3872)$  [ $X(3872)$ ]:

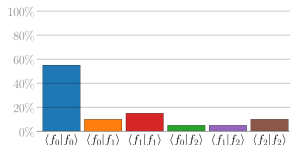
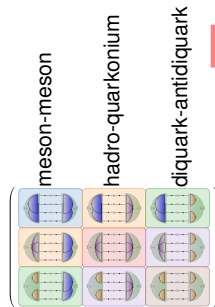
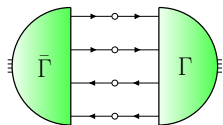


- $DD^*$ :  $c\bar{q}, q\bar{c}$  (molecule)
- $\omega J/\psi$ :  $c\bar{c}, q\bar{q}$  (hadro-quarkonium)
- $AS$ :  $cq, \bar{c}\bar{q}$  (diquark-antidiquark)

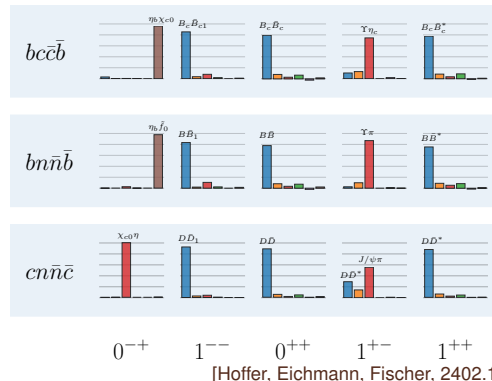
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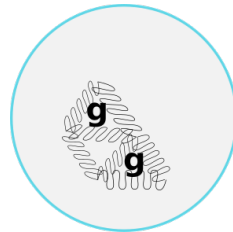


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Non-Abelian nature of QCD  $\rightarrow$  self-interaction of force fields.



Mass dynamically created from **massless** (due to gauge invariance) gluons.

Theory:

Glueballs from gauge inv. operators, e.g.,  $F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu}$ .

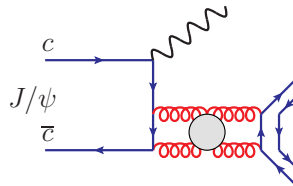
$\rightarrow$  **Mixing** of operators with equal quantum numbers.

Experiment:

Production in glue-rich environments, e.g.,  $p\bar{p}$  annihilation (PANDA), pomeron exchange in  $pp$  (central exclusive production), radiative  $J/\psi$  decays

Reviews on glueballs: [Klempt, Zaitsev, Phys.Rept.454 (2007); Mathieu, Kochelev, Vento, Int.J.Mod.Phys.18 (2009); Crede, Meyer, Prog.Part.Nucl.Phys.63 (2009); Ochs, J.Phys.G40 (2013); Llanes-Estrada, EPJST 230 (2021); Vadamchinn, 2305.04869]

# Scalar glueballs from $J/\psi$ decay

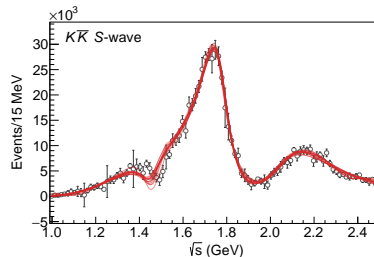
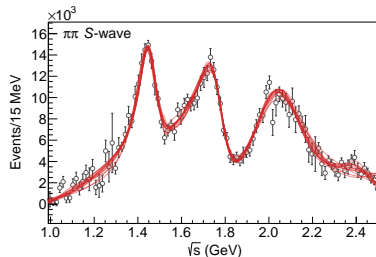


Coupled-channel analyses of exp. data (BESIII):

- +add. data, largest overlap with  $f_0(1770)$
- largest overlap with  $f_0(1710)$

[Sarantsev, Denisenko, Thoma, Klempt, Phys. Lett. B 816 (2021)]

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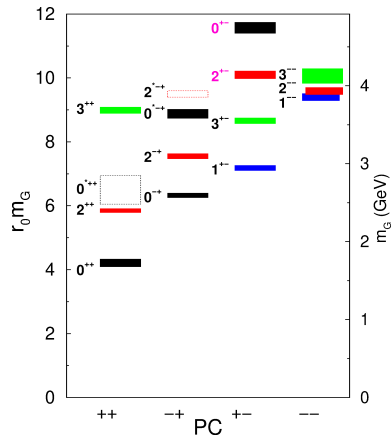
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- [Brett et al., AIP Conf.Proc. 2249 (2020)]
- [Chen et al., 2111.11929]
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- ...

Challenging:

- Much higher statistics required (poor signal-to-noise ratio)
- Continuum extrapolation and inclusion of fermionic operators still to be done
- Mixing with  $\bar{q}q$  challenging
- $m_\pi = 360$  MeV
- Small unquenching effects found

No quantitative results yet.



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Glueballs? Rainbow-ladder?

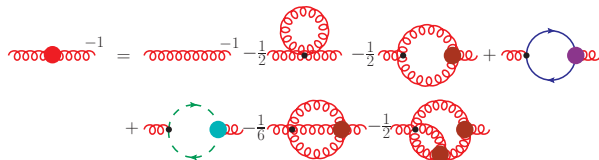
The diagram shows the rainbow-ladder approximation for the glueball self-energy. On the left, a red wavy line with a red dot is labeled with a superscript  $-1$ . This is set equal to a sum of terms on the right. The first term is a red wavy line with a superscript  $-1$ . The second term is  $-\frac{1}{2}$  times a red wavy line with a red dot and a red loop. The third term is  $-\frac{1}{2}$  times a red wavy line with a red dot and a red loop with a red dot. The fourth term is a red wavy line with a red dot and a blue loop. The fifth term is  $+\frac{1}{6}$  times a red wavy line with a red dot and a green loop. The sixth term is  $-\frac{1}{2}$  times a red wavy line with a red dot and a red loop with two red dots. The seventh term is  $-\frac{1}{2}$  times a red wavy line with a red dot and a red loop with two red dots and a red dot.



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 & + \text{gluon} \text{ box} - \frac{1}{6} \text{gluon} \text{ pentagon} - \frac{1}{2} \text{gluon} \text{ hexagon}
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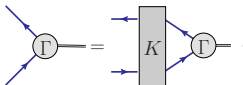
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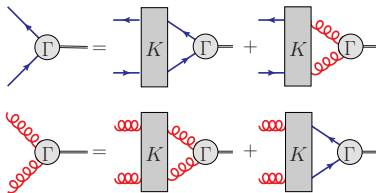
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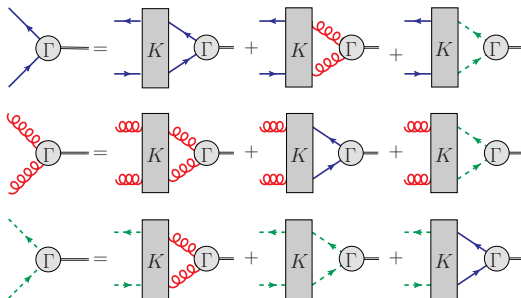
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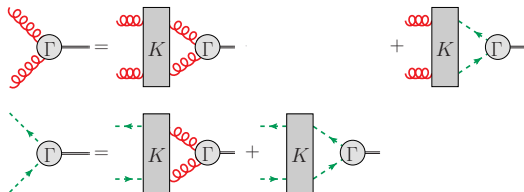
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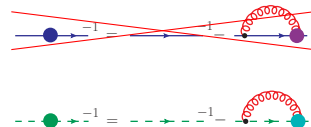
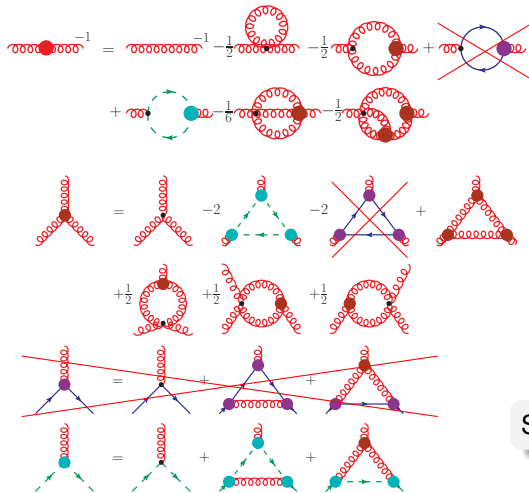
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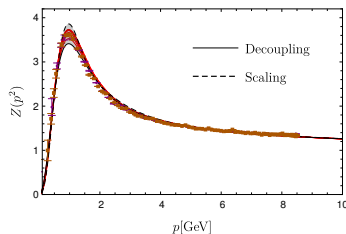
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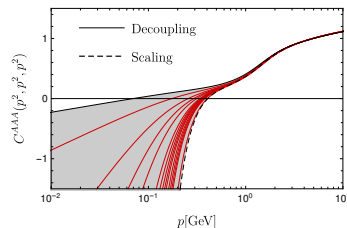
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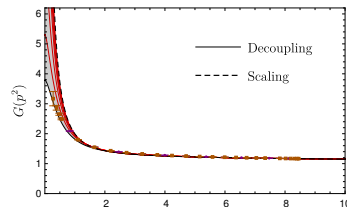
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Nonperturbative completions of Landau gauge  
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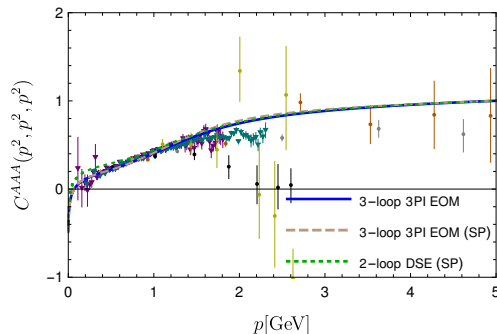
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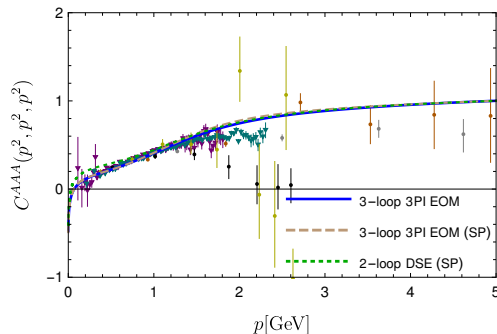
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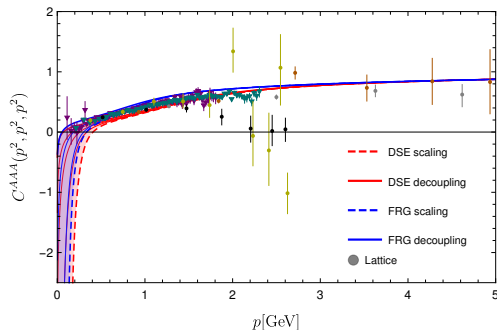
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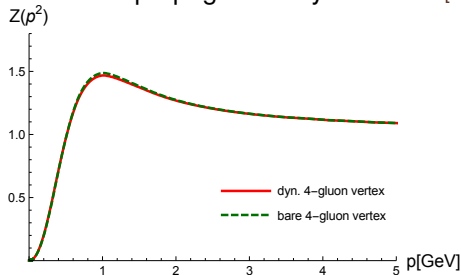


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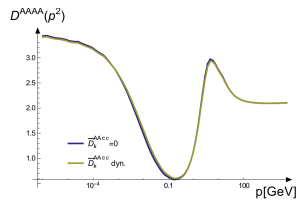
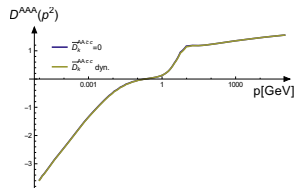
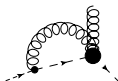
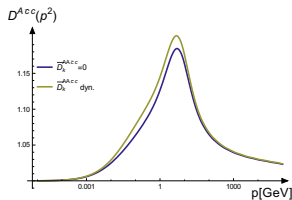
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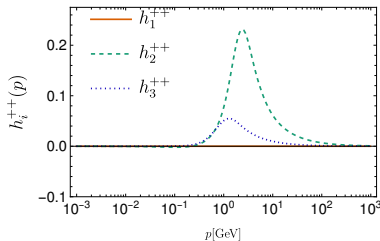


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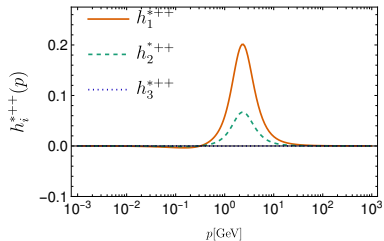
Ground state scalar glueball:

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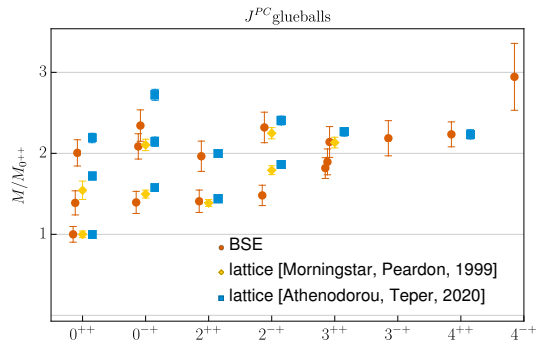
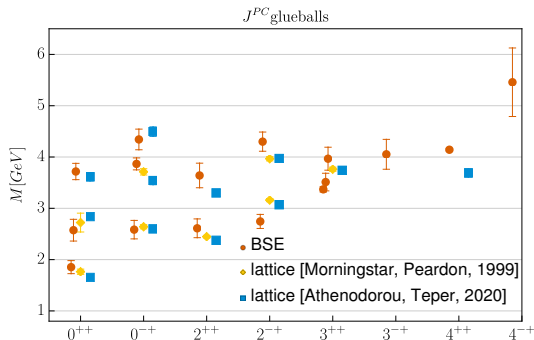
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→ Amplitudes have different behavior for ground state and excited state. Useful guide for future developments.

→ Meson/glueball amplitudes: **Information about mixing.**

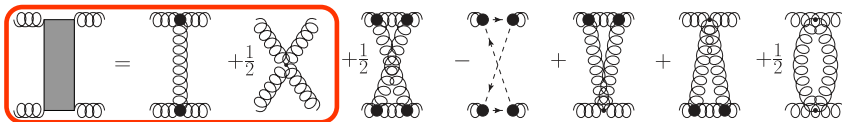
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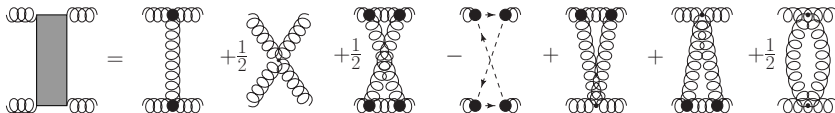
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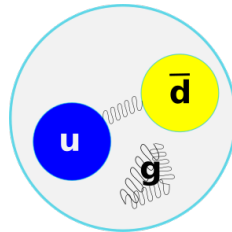
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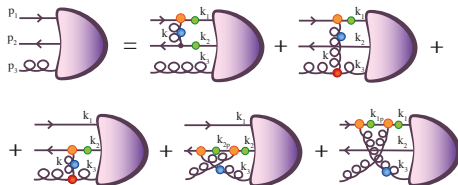
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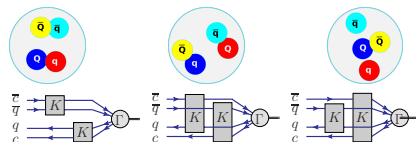
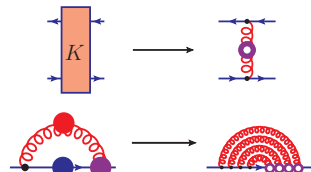
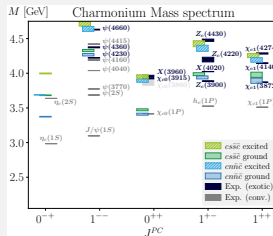
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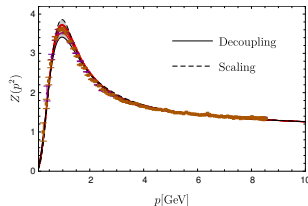
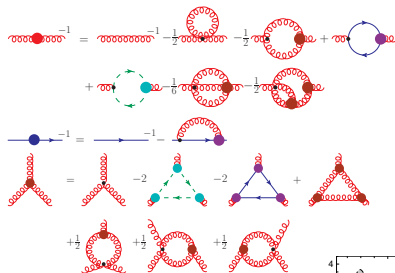
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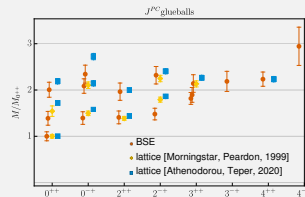


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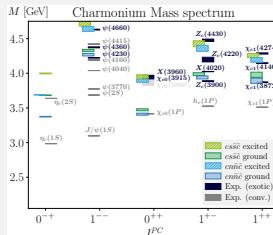
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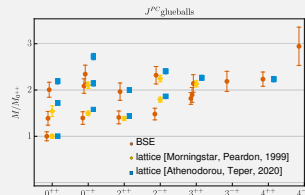


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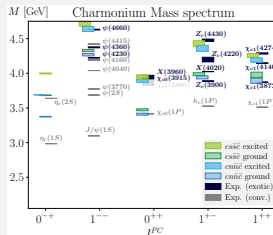
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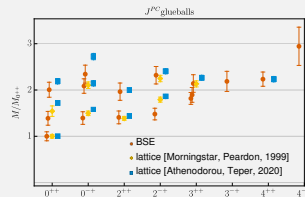


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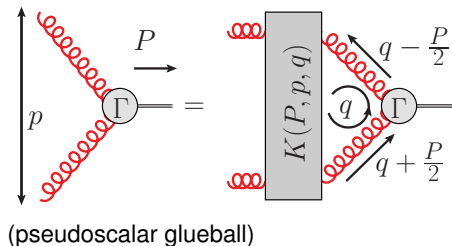
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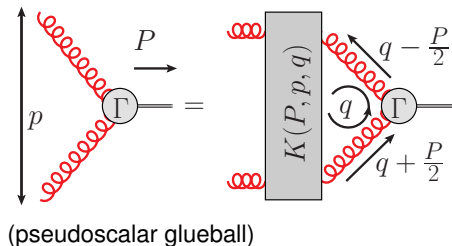


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→ Complex for  $P^2 < 0$ !

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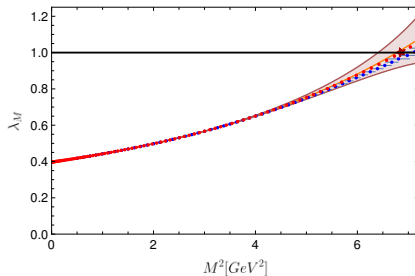
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Two-photon states cannot couple to  $J^P = \mathbf{1}^\pm$  or  $(2n+1)^-$

[Landau, Dokl.Akad.Nauk SSSR 60 (1948); Yang, Phys. Rev. 77 (1950)].

( $\rightarrow$  Exclusion of  $J = 1$  for Higgs because of  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ .)

Applicable to glueballs?

$\rightarrow$  Not in this framework, since gluons are not on-shell.

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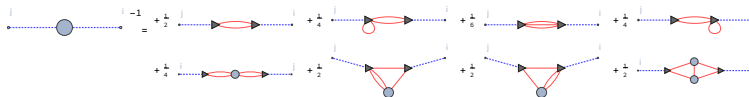
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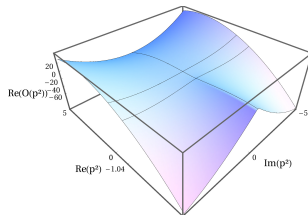
Functional approach: Complicated object in a diagrammatic language, 2-, 3- and 4-gluon contributions [MQH, Cyrol, Pawłowski, Comput.Phys.Commun. 248 (2020)]



+ 3-loop diagrams

Leading order:

[Windisch, MQH, Alkofer, Phys.Rev.D87 (2013)]



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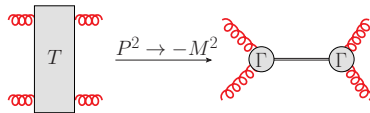
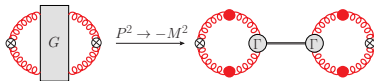
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Put total momentum **on-shell** and consider individual 2-, 3- and 4-gluon contributions.  $\rightarrow$   
Each can have a pole at the glueball mass.

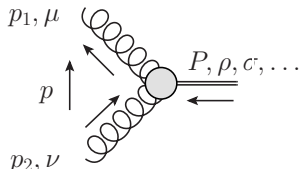
$A^4$ -part of  $D(x - y)$ , total momentum on-shell:



# Glueball amplitudes for spin $J$

[MQH, Fischer, Sanchis-Alepuz, Eur.Phys.J.C81 (2021)]

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\dots}(p_1, p_2) = \sum \tau_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma\dots}^i(p_1, p_2) h_i(p_1, p_2)$$



Increase in complexity:

- 2 gluon indices (transverse)
- $J$  spin indices (symmetric, traceless, transverse to  $P$ )

Numbers of tensors:

$J$	$P = +$	$P = -$
0	2	1
1	4	3
$>2$	5	4

Low number of tensors, but high-dimensional tensors!

→ Computational cost increases with  $J$ .

# Charge parity

Transformation of gluon field under charge conjugation:

$$A_{\mu}^a \rightarrow -\eta(a)A_{\mu}^a$$

where

$$\eta(a) = \begin{cases} +1 & a = 1, 3, 4, 6, 8 \\ -1 & a = 2, 5, 7 \end{cases}$$

Color neutral operator with two gluon fields:

$$A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^a \rightarrow \eta(a)^2 A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^a = A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^a.$$

$$\Rightarrow C = +1$$

Negative charge parity, e.g.:

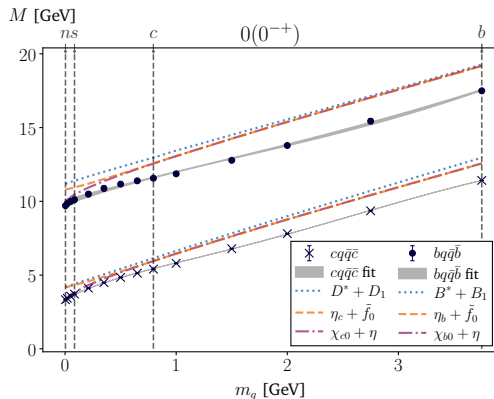
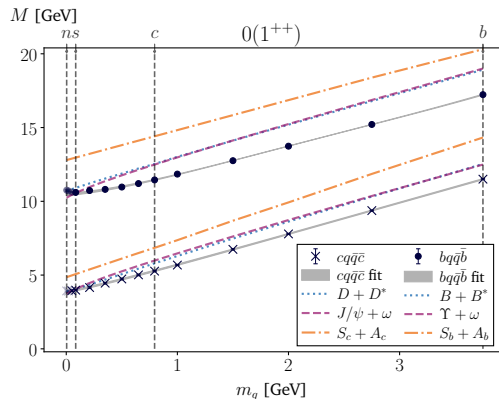
$$\begin{aligned} d^{abc} A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^b A_{\rho}^c &\rightarrow -d^{abc} \eta(a)\eta(b)\eta(c) A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^b A_{\rho}^c = \\ &= -d^{abc} A_{\mu}^a A_{\nu}^b A_{\rho}^c. \end{aligned}$$

Only nonvanishing elements of the symmetric structure constant  $d^{abc}$ : zero or two indices equal to 2, 5 or 7.

# Hidden-flavor tetraquarks w/ charm and bottom quarks: Quark mass dependence

Some teasers... → Full story:

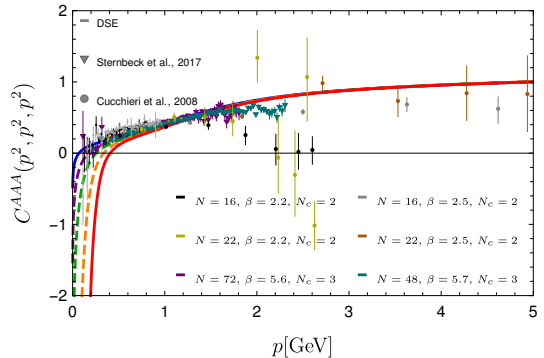
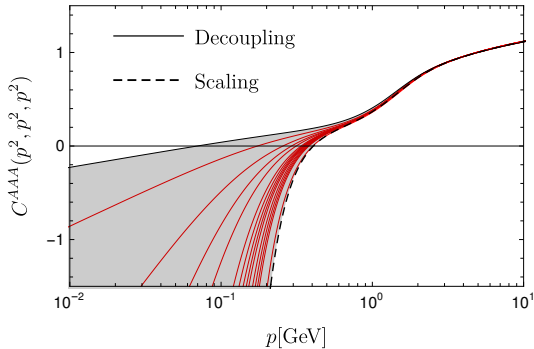
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[Hoffer, Eichmann, Fischer, 2402.12830]

# Three-gluon vertex

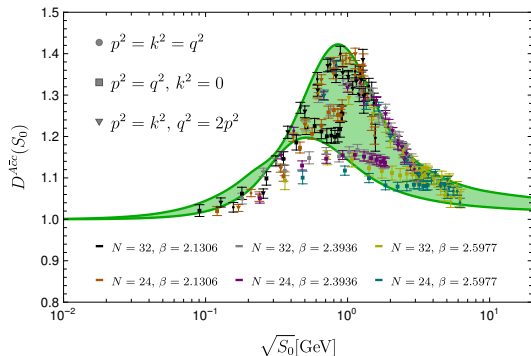
[Cucchieri, Maas, Mendes, Phys. Rev. D 77 (2008); Sternbeck et al., 1702.00612; MQH, Phys. Rev. D 101 (2020)]



- Simple kinematic dependence of three-gluon vertex (only singlet variable of  $S_3$ )
- Large cancellations between diagrams

# Ghost-gluon vertex

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[Maas, SciPost Phys. 8 (2019);

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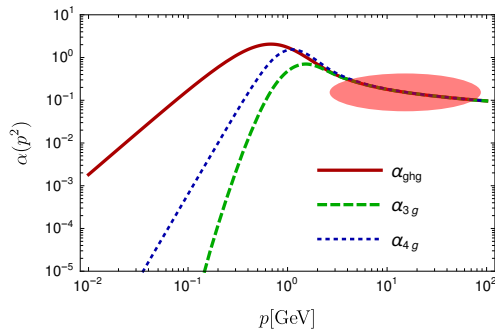
- Nontrivial kinematic dependence of ghost-gluon vertex
- Qualitative agreement with lattice results, though some quantitative differences (position of peak!).

# Gauge invariance

[MQH, Phys. Rev. D 101 (2020)]

Couplings can be extracted from each vertex.

- Slavnov-Taylor identities (gauge invariance): Agreement perturbatively (UV) necessary.  
[Cyrol et al., Phys.Rev.D 94 (2016)]
- Difficult to realize: Small deviations  $\rightarrow$  Couplings cross and do not agree.
- Here: Vertex couplings agree down to GeV regime (IR can be different).





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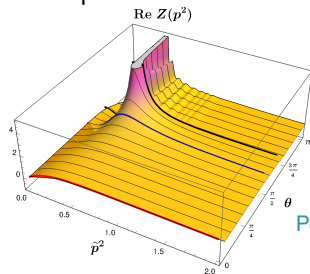
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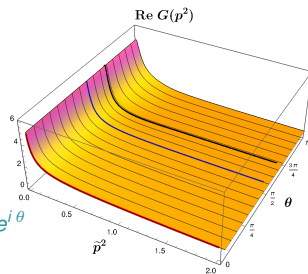
$$\text{gluon loop}^{-1} = \text{gluon}^{-1} - \frac{1}{2} \text{ghost loop} + \text{ghost} \text{ loop}$$

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Ray technique for self-consistent solution of a DSE:



Polar coordinates:  $p^2 = \tilde{p}^2 e^{i\theta}$



- Current truncation leads to a pole-like structure in the gluon propagator.
- Analyticity up to 'pole' confirmed by various tests (Cauchy-Riemann, Schlessinger, reconstruction)

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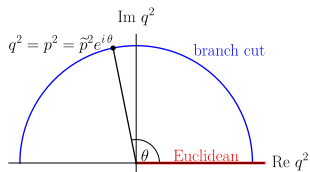
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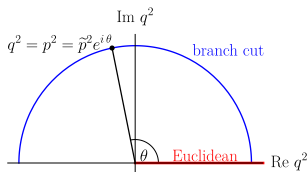


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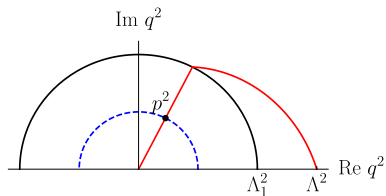
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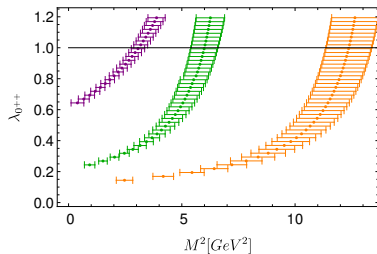
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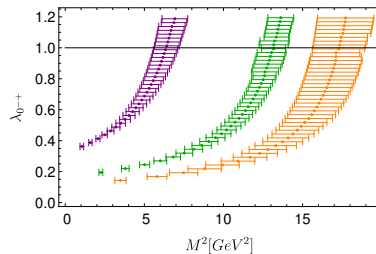
Appearance of branch cuts for complex momenta forbids integration directly to cutoff.

# Extrapolation for glueball eigenvalue curves

$0^{++}$ :



$0^{-+}$ :



Several curves: ground state and excited states.