

# BARYON PROPERTIES IN MESON MEDIUMS FROM LATTICE QCD

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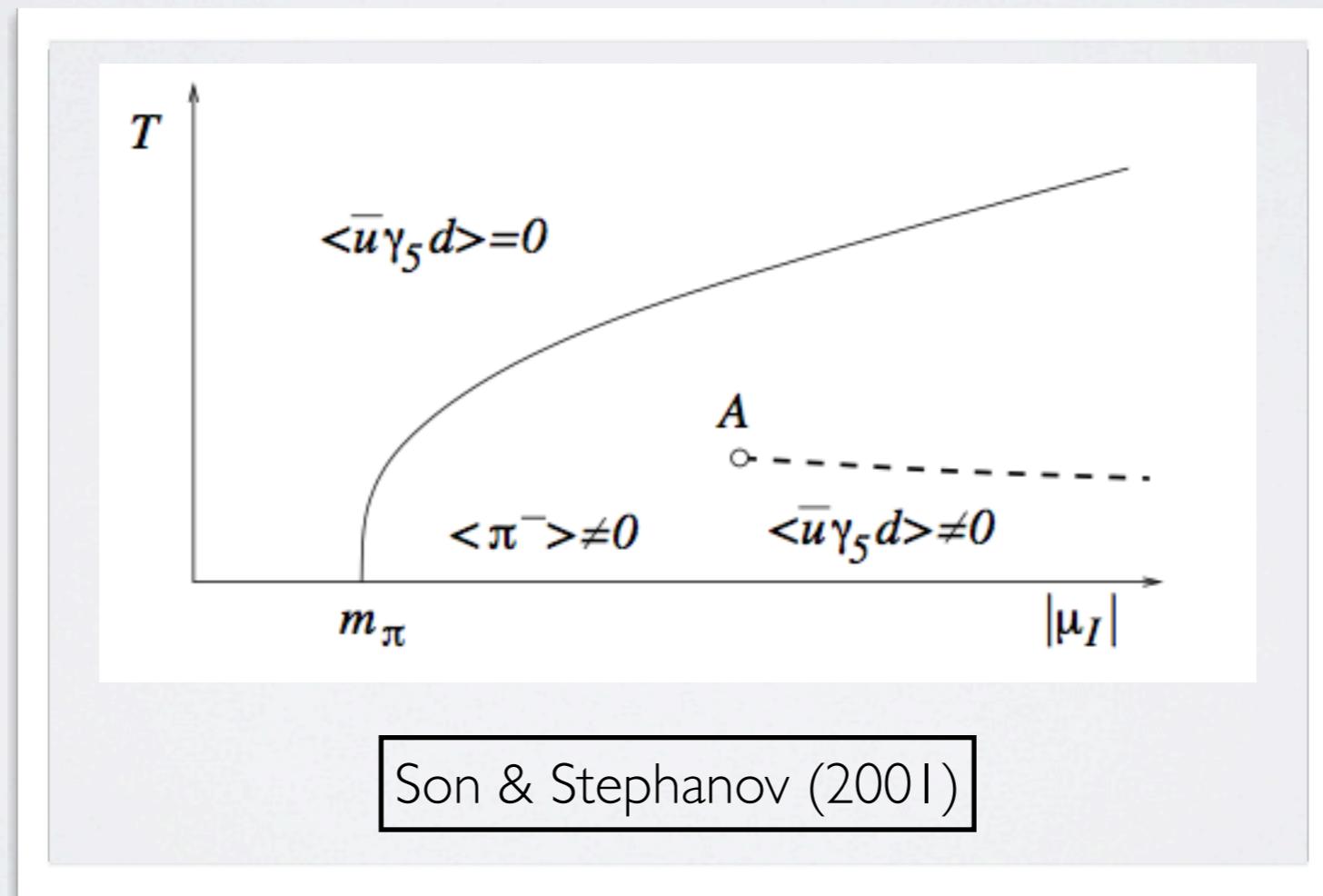
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- Multi-meson systems studied extensively by NPLQCD
- Would like to add baryons
- First step: investigate properties of single baryon in meson medium

Son & Stephanov (2001)

# THIS WORK:

System	Quark content
$\Sigma^+(\pi^+)^n$	$uus(u\bar{d})^n$
$\Xi^0(\pi^+)^n$	$uss(u\bar{d})^n$
$p(K^+)^n$	$uud(u\bar{s})^n$
$n(K^+)^n$	$udd(u\bar{s})^n$

- Will calculate:
- Ground-state energies
  - 2- and 3-body interaction parameters
  - LECs - tree-level ChiPT

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$$\longrightarrow \Pi_a^b$$



|2x12 matrix for 12 dof

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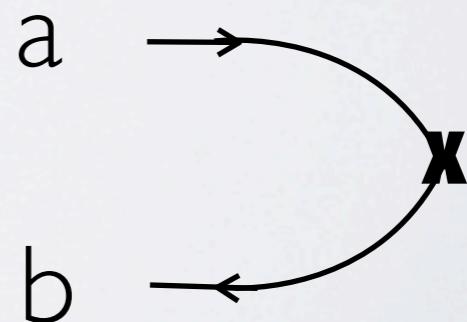
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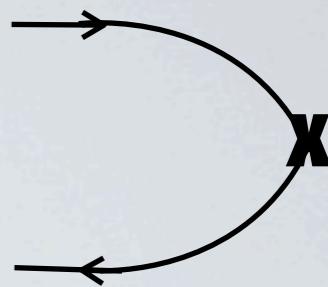
need to tie up  
source indices

The diagram illustrates a set brace on the left, with labels 'a' above and 'b' below it. An arrow points from 'a' to a point 'x' on a curve, and another arrow points from 'x' back towards 'b'.

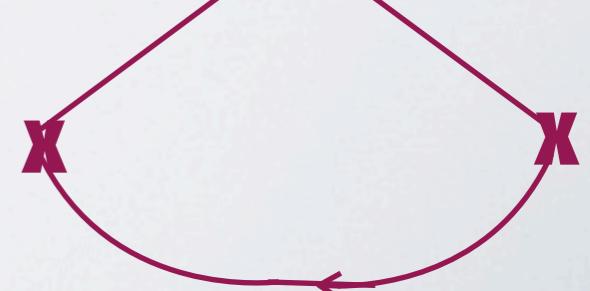
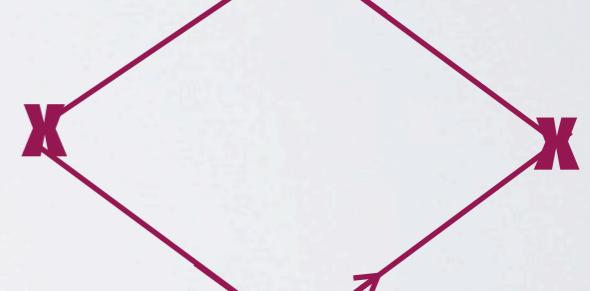
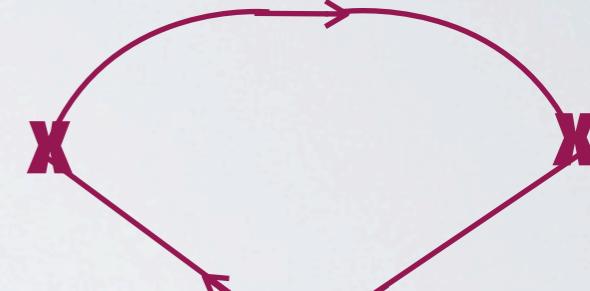
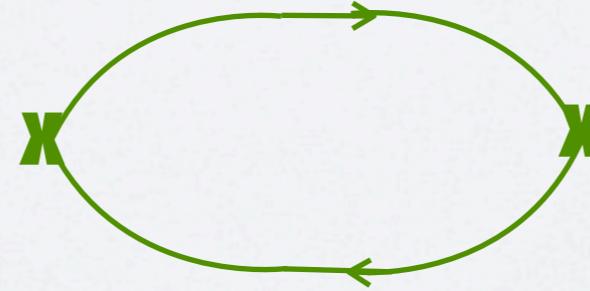
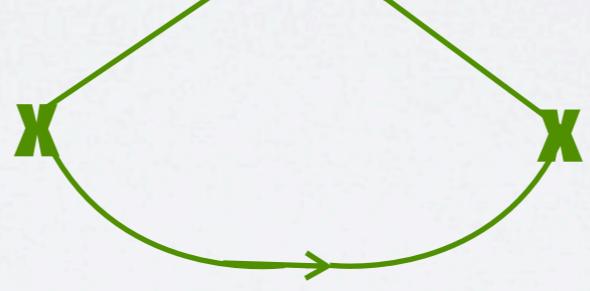
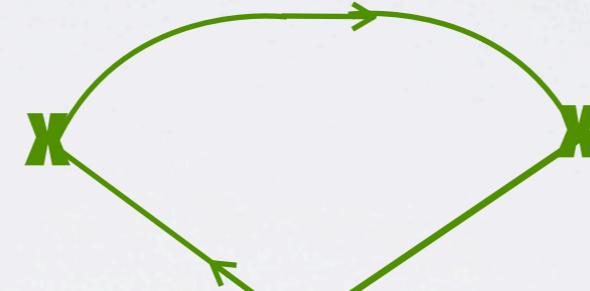
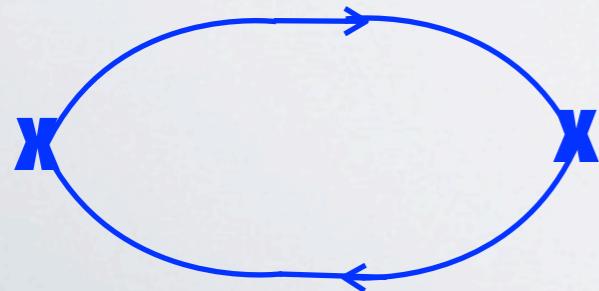
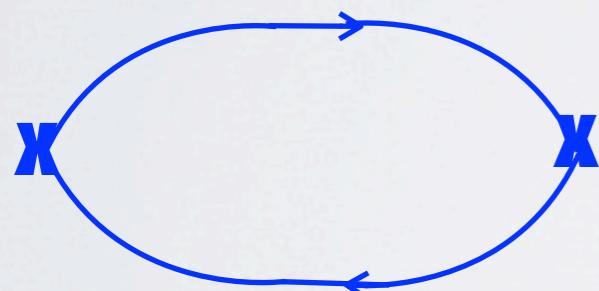
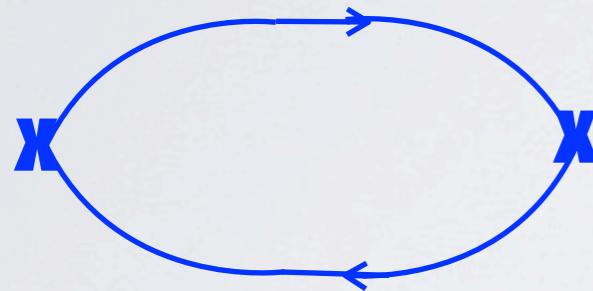
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Easily extended for multiple species of mesons,  
e.g. pions and kaons

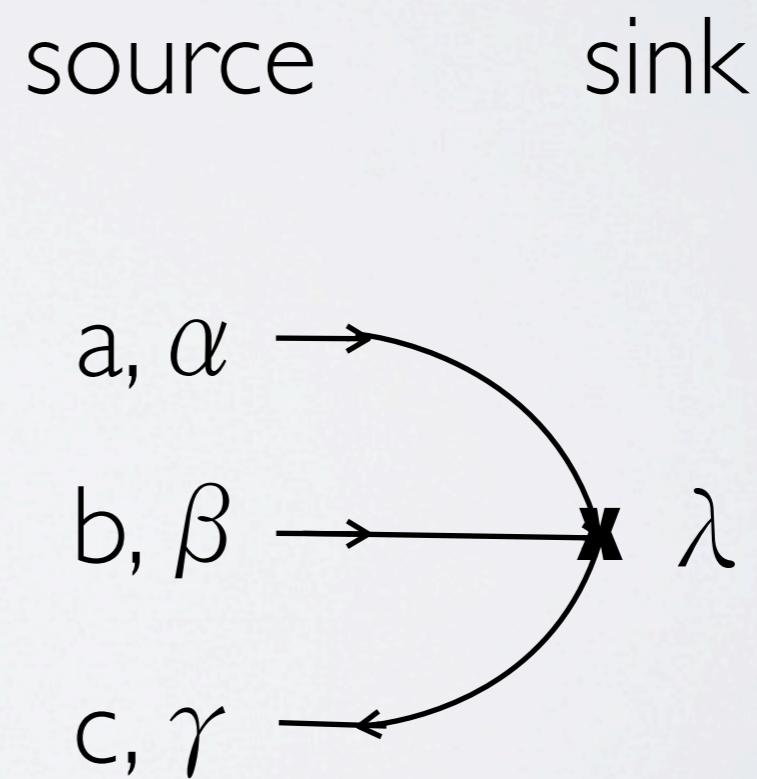
$$\det(1 + \lambda\Pi) \longrightarrow \det(1 + \lambda\Pi + \kappa K)$$

# ADDING A BARYON

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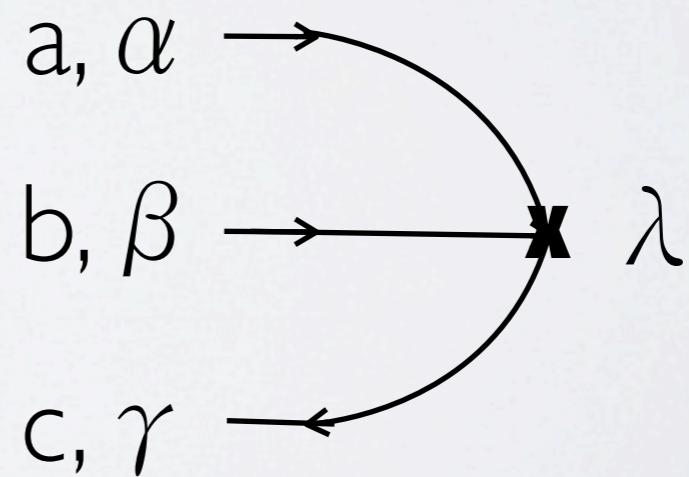


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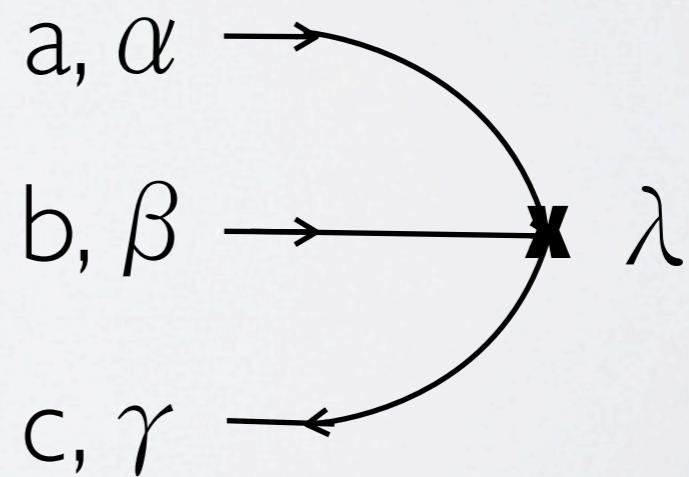


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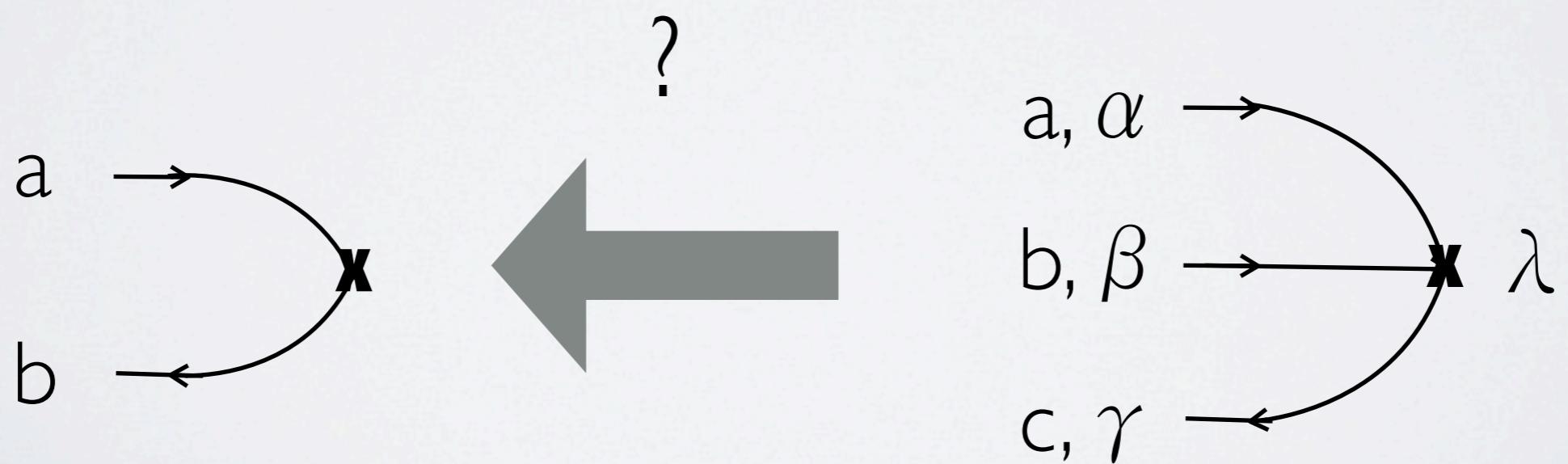
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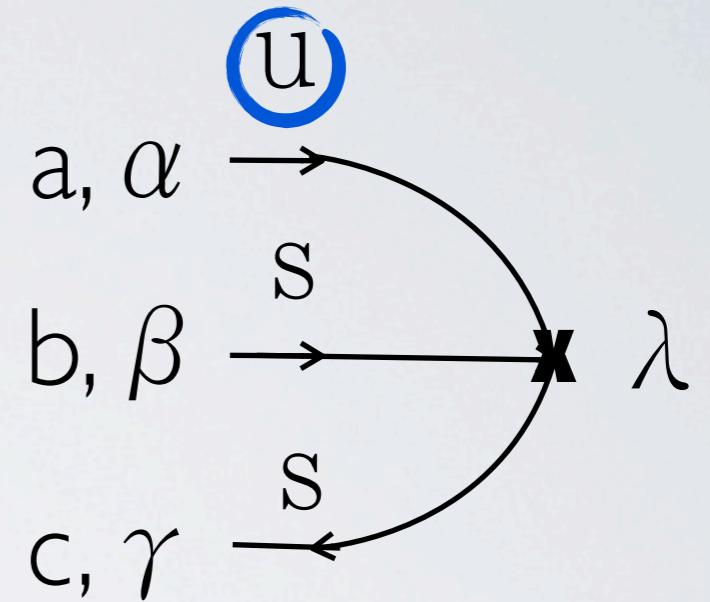
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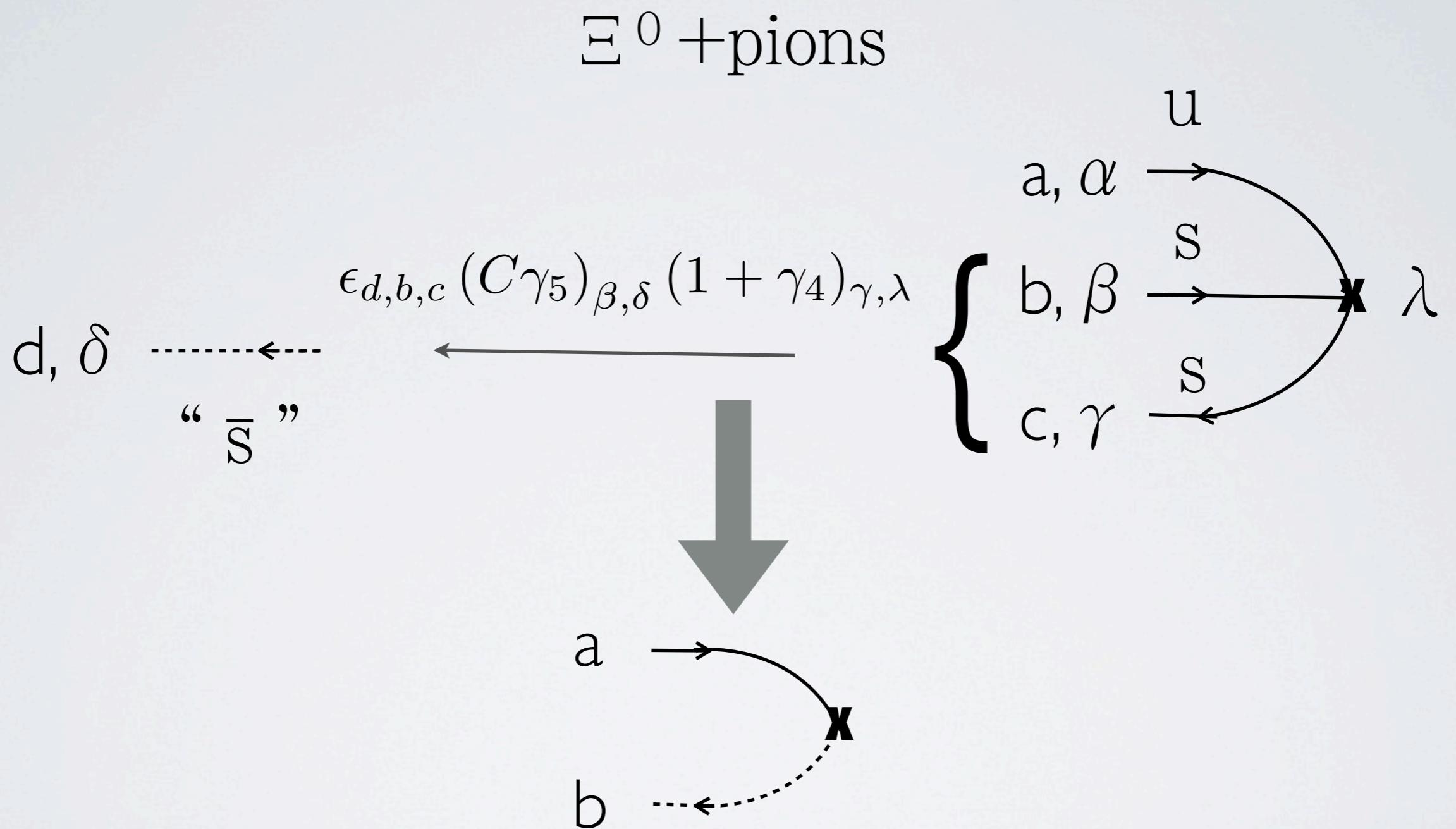
# $\Sigma$ +PIONS, N+KAONS

$\Sigma^0$  + pions

only u quarks need to  
be contracted with pions

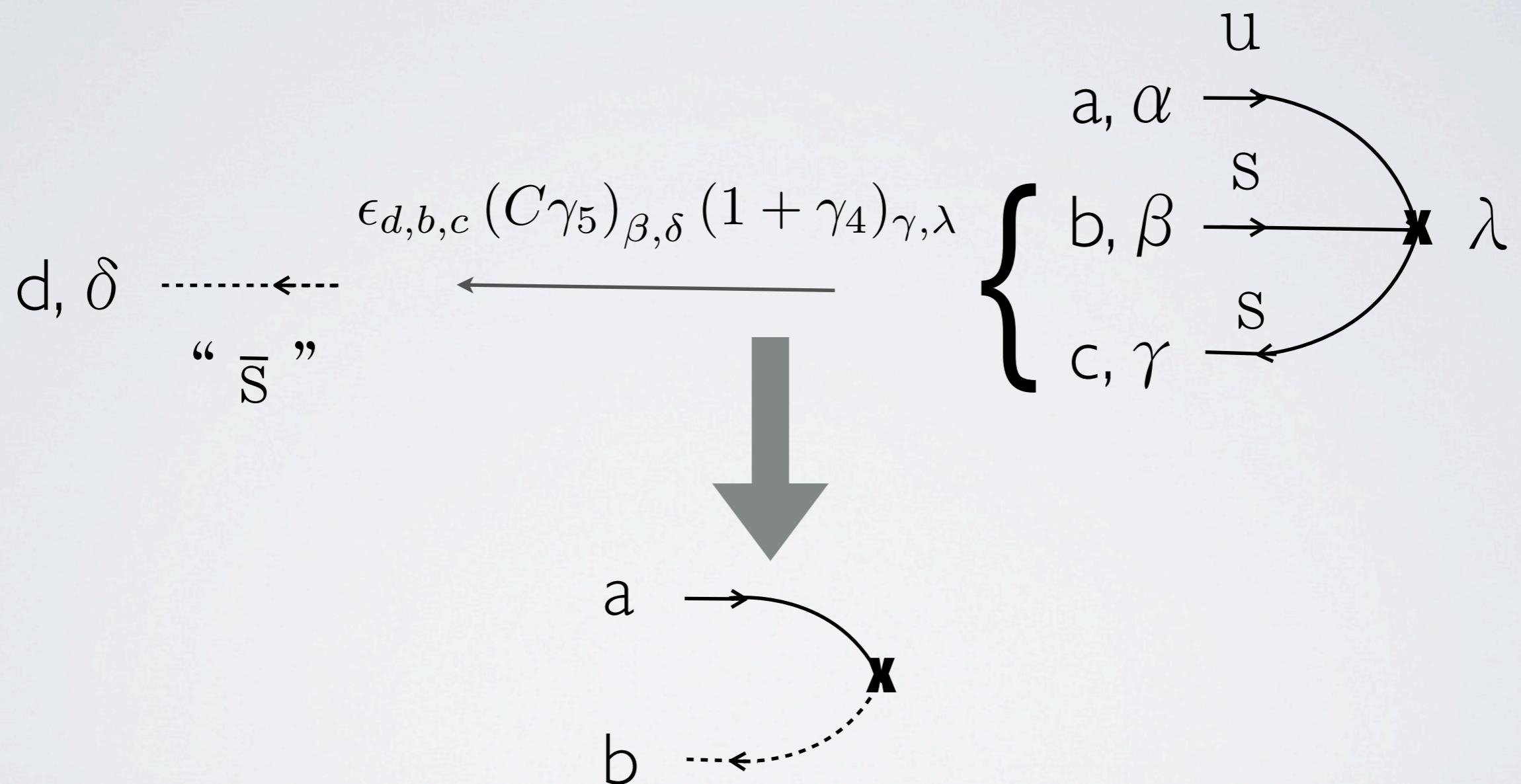


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# E+PIONS, N+KAONS

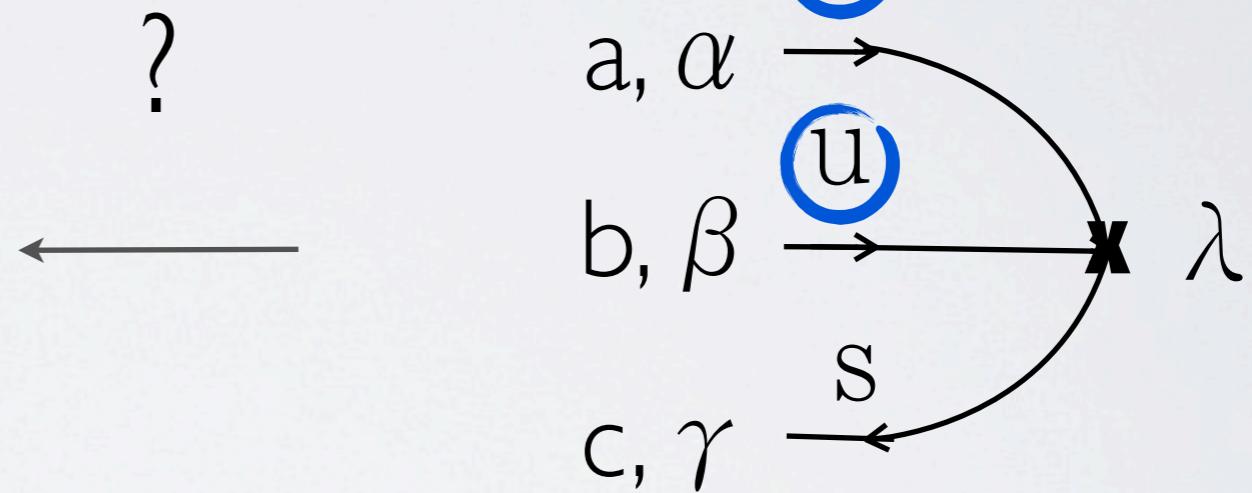
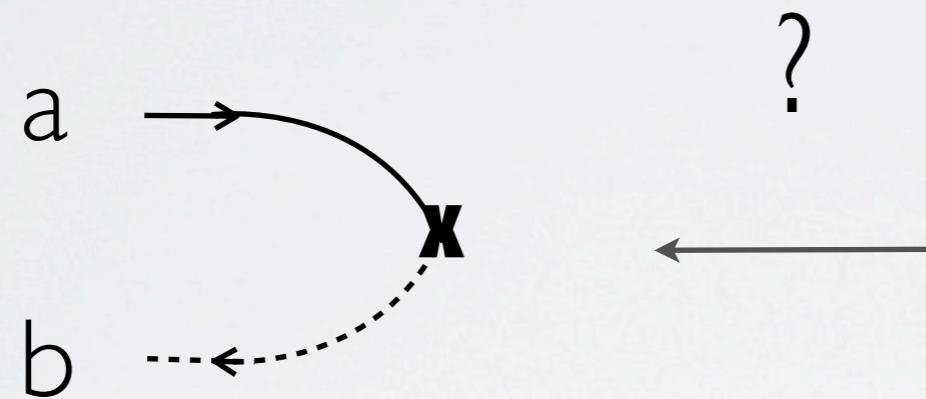
$E^0 + \text{pions}$



Plug in to formula for mixed species

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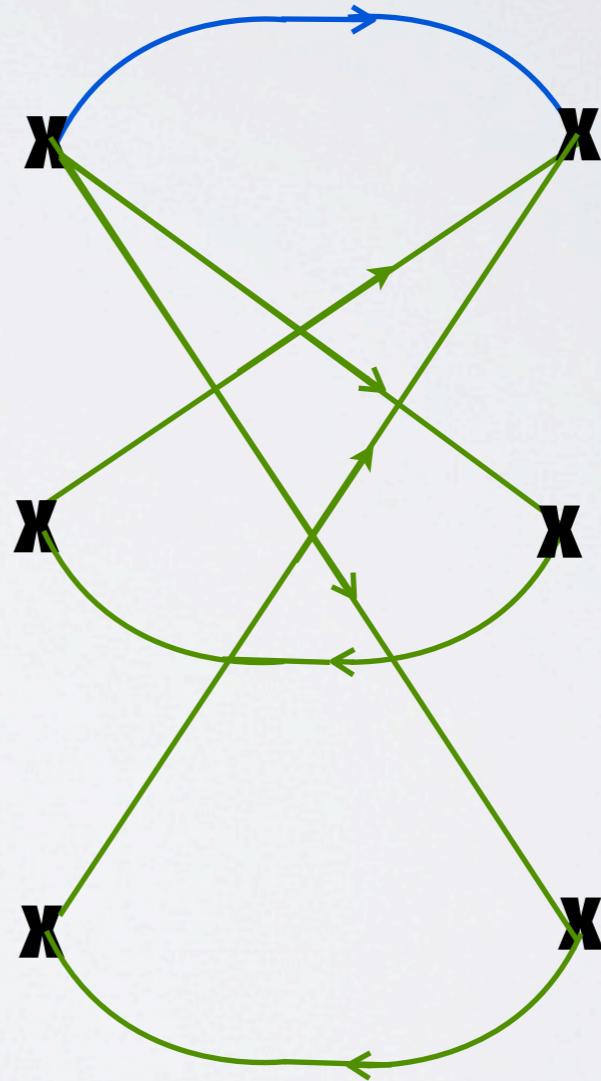
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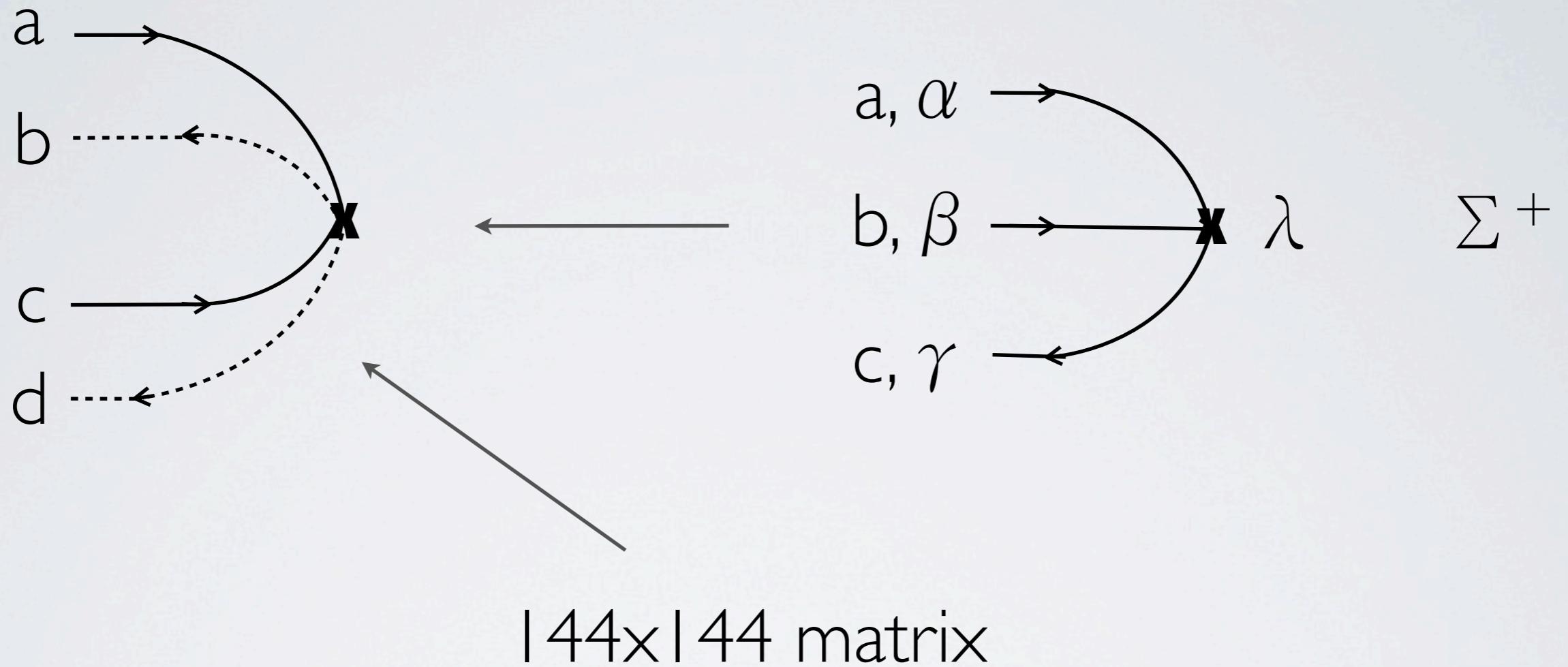
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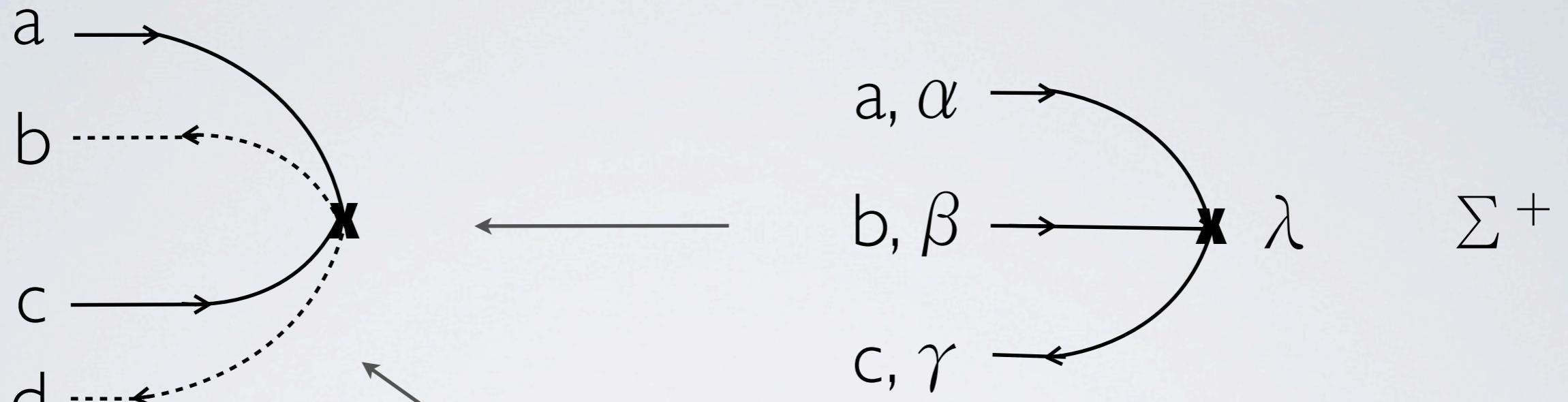
Miss diagrams  
where baryon  
exchanges both  
quarks



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|44x|44 matrix

$\Pi \otimes \Pi,$

$1 \otimes \Pi,$

$\Pi \otimes 1$

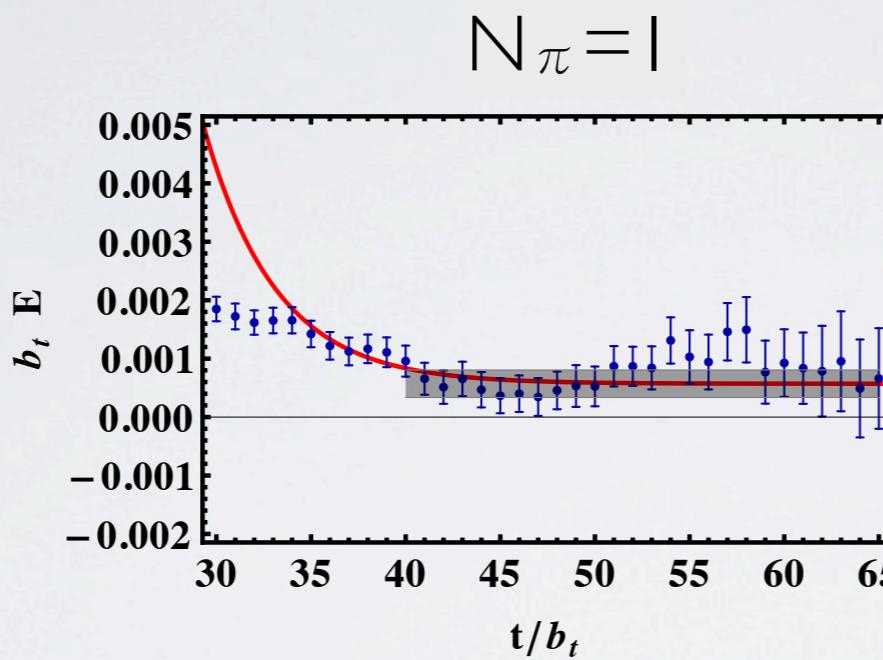
# LATTICE DETAILS

- HSC lattices
  - clover, tadpole improved
  - $a_s \sim 0.125$  fm,  $a_t \sim a_s/3.5$ ,
  - $m_\pi \sim 390$  MeV,  $32^3 \times 256$
- NPLQCD propagators
  - same discretization as gauge fields
  - $\sim 200$  per configuration

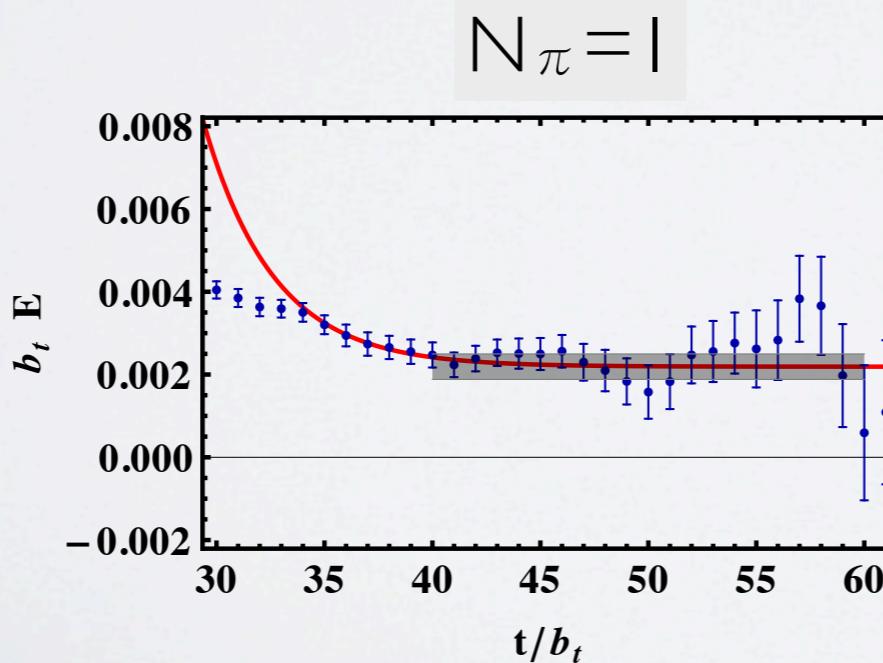
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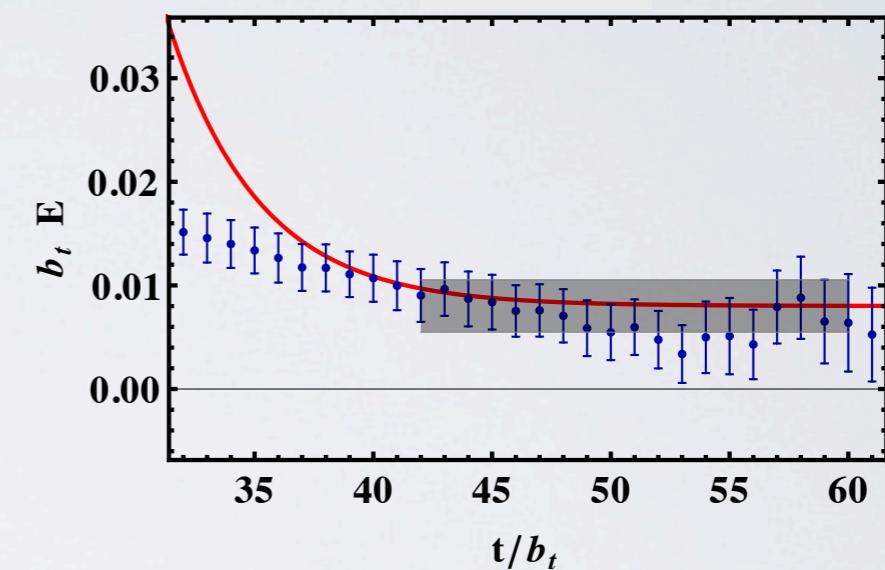
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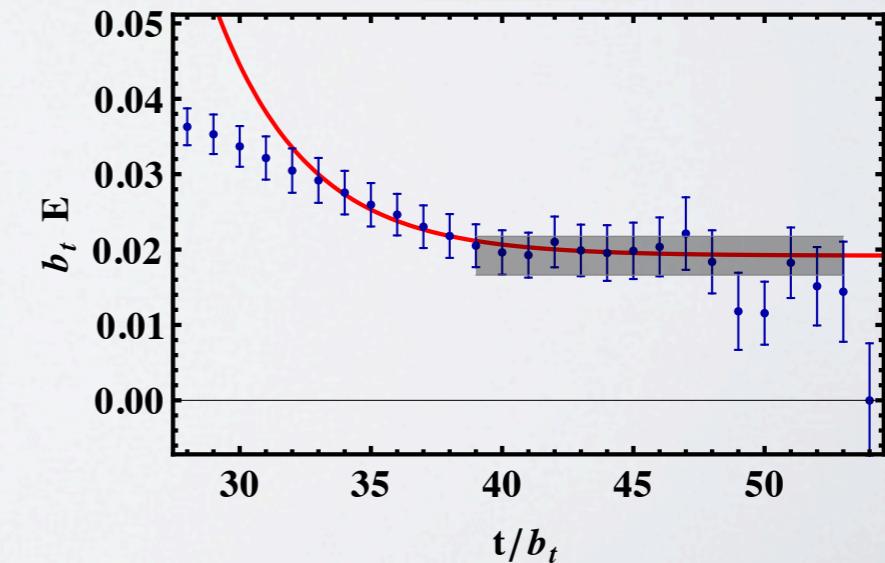
$\sum +$



$N_\pi = 7$



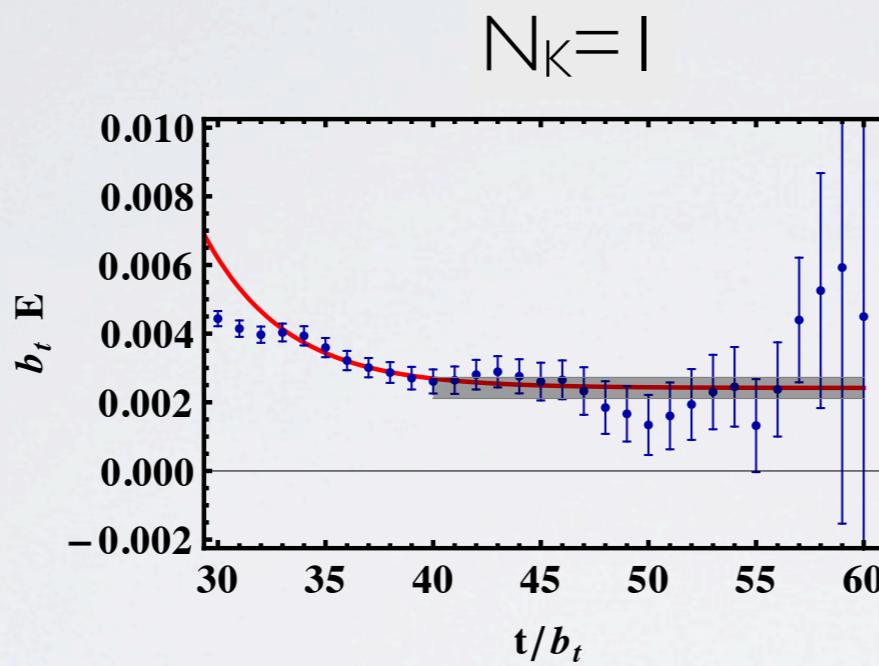
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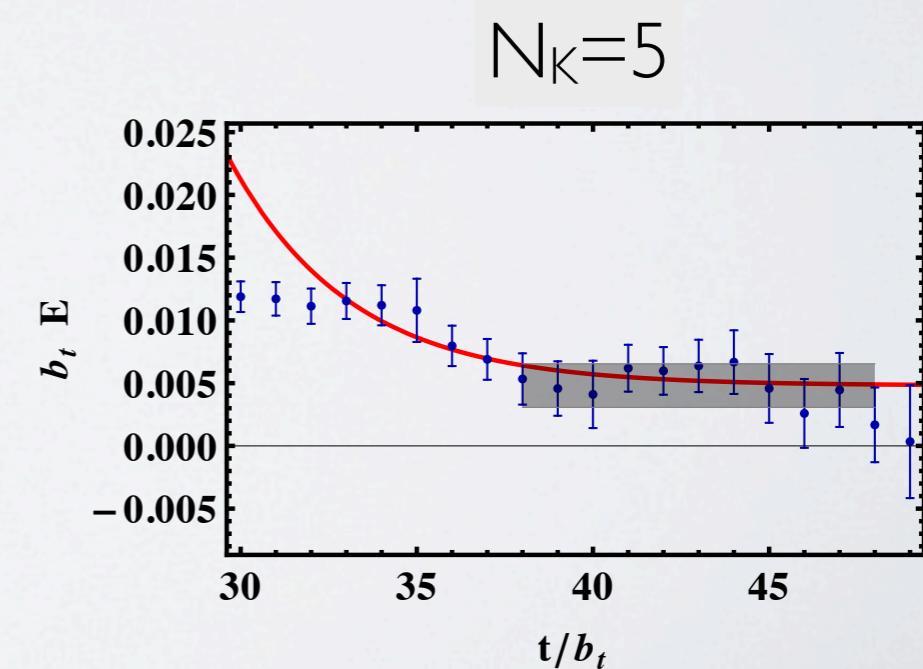
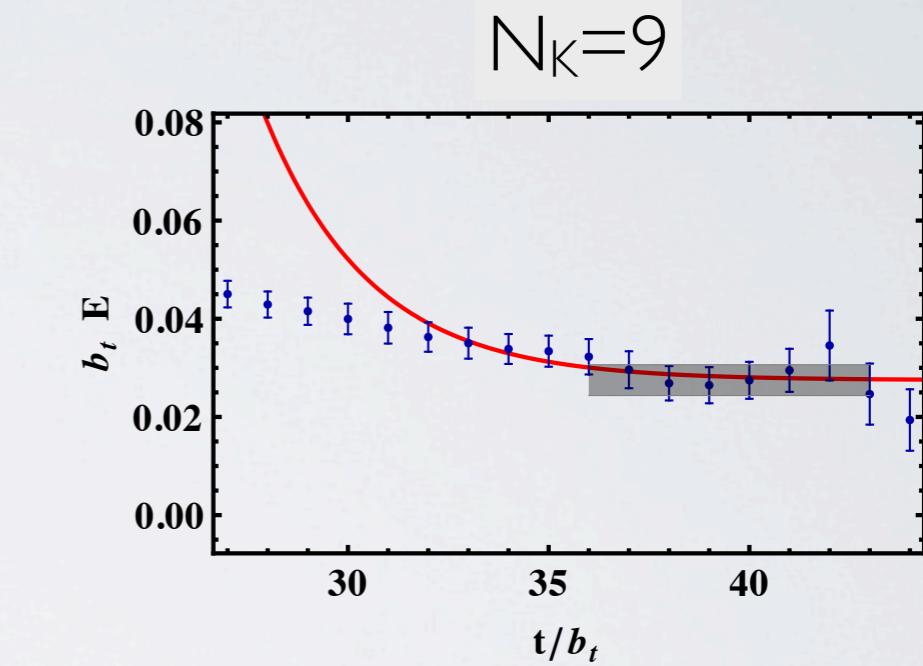
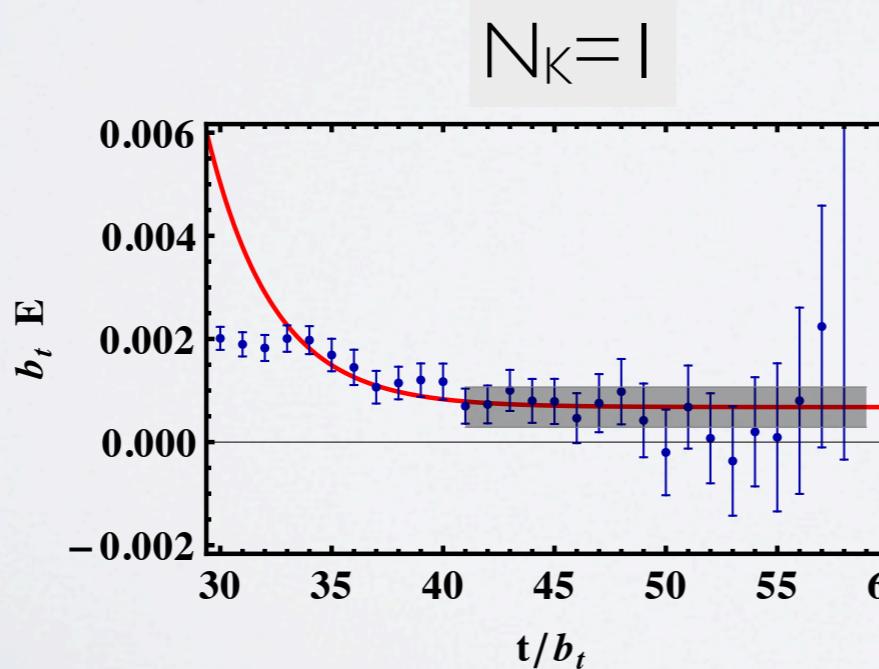
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proton



neutron



# ENERGIES IN A BOX

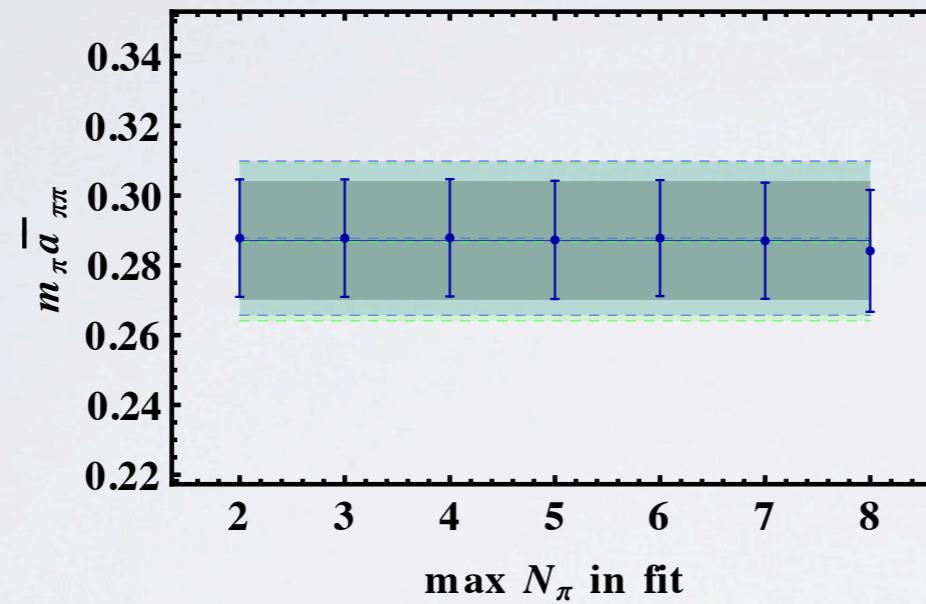
Beane, Detmold & Savage (2007)  
Smigielski & Wasem (2008)

- Large volume expansion of g.s. energy for two species of bosons in a box to  $O(L^{-6})$
- extension of Lüscher's relation for 2 particles in a box
- includes 2- and 3-body parameters,  $\bar{a}_{MB}$ ,  $\bar{a}_{MM}$ ,  
 $\eta_{3,MMB}(L)$
- Since single baryon carries the spin for the entire system, can treat like different species of boson

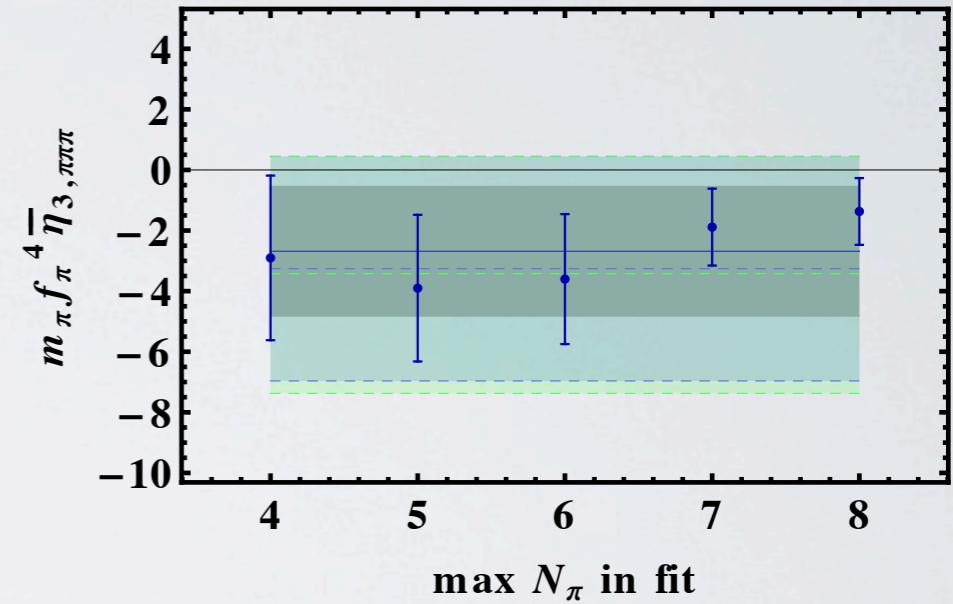
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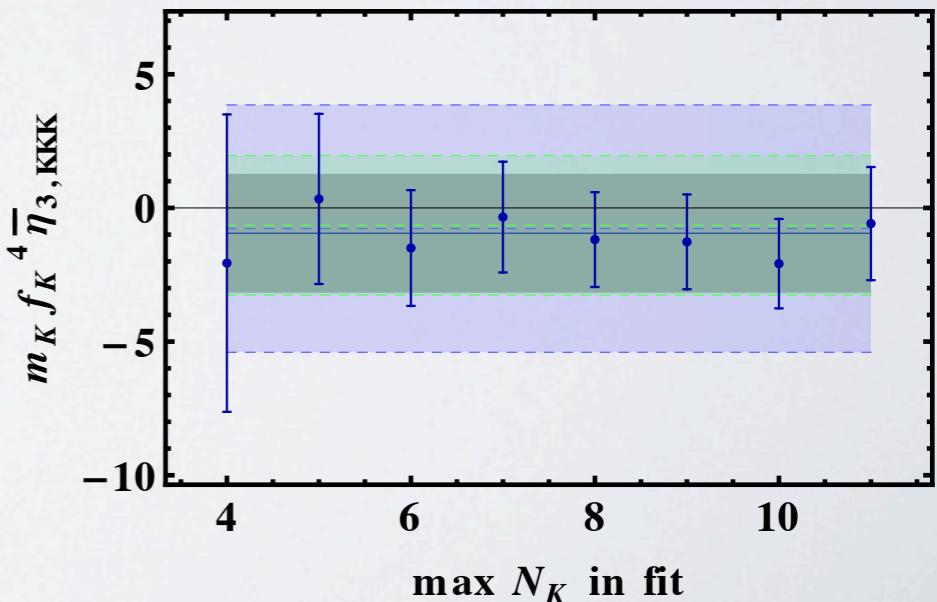
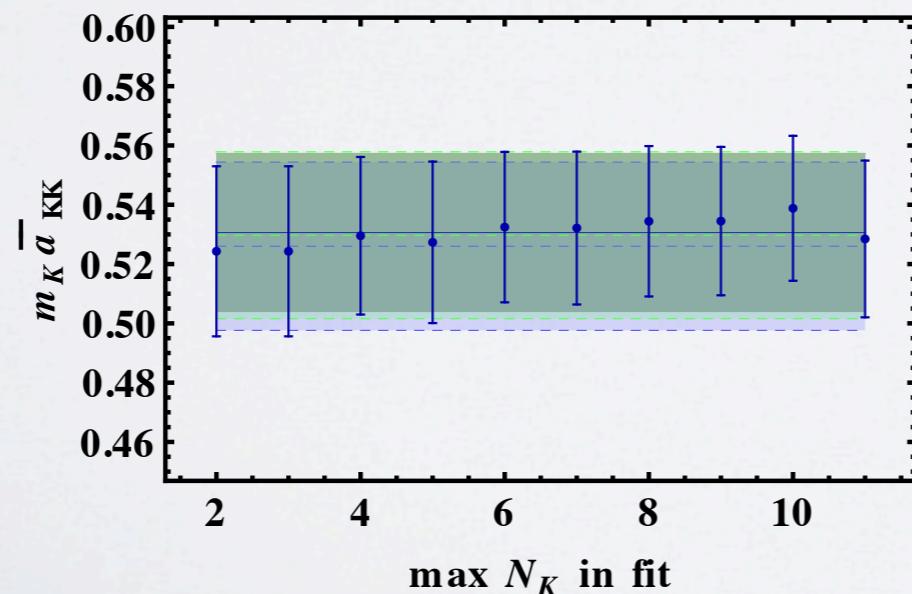
2-body



3-body

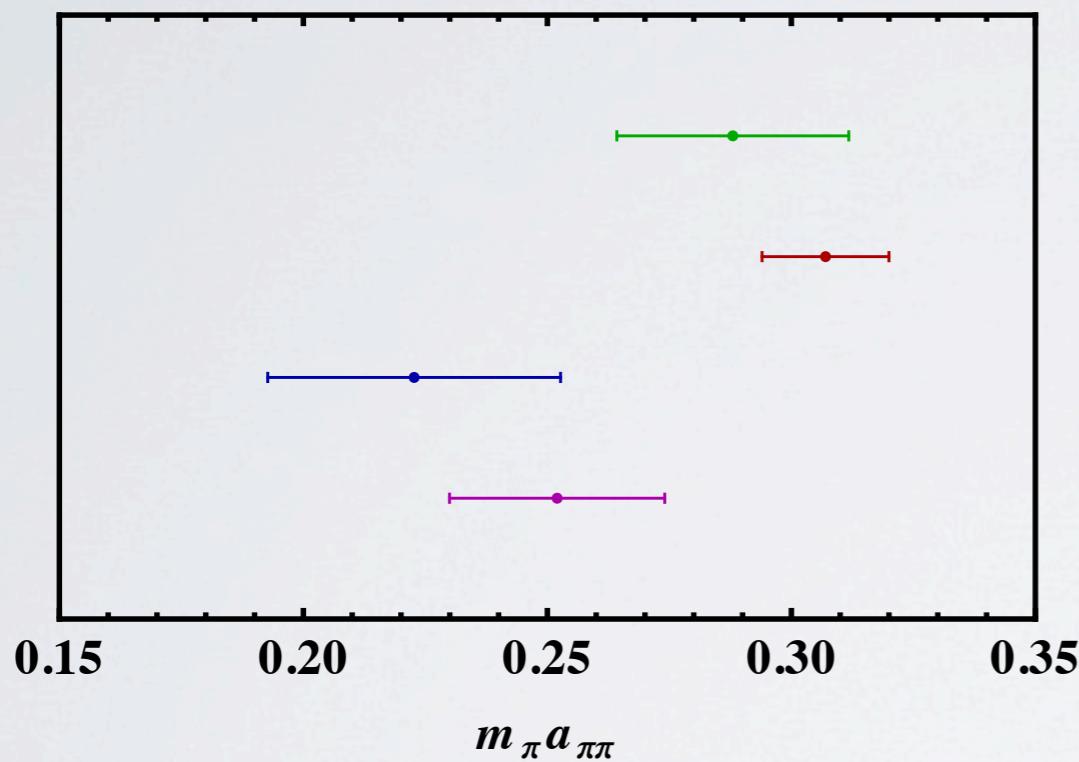


kaons

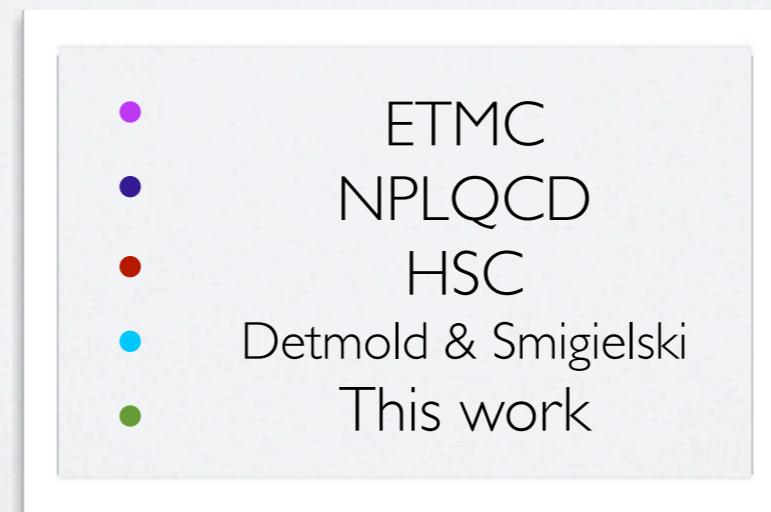
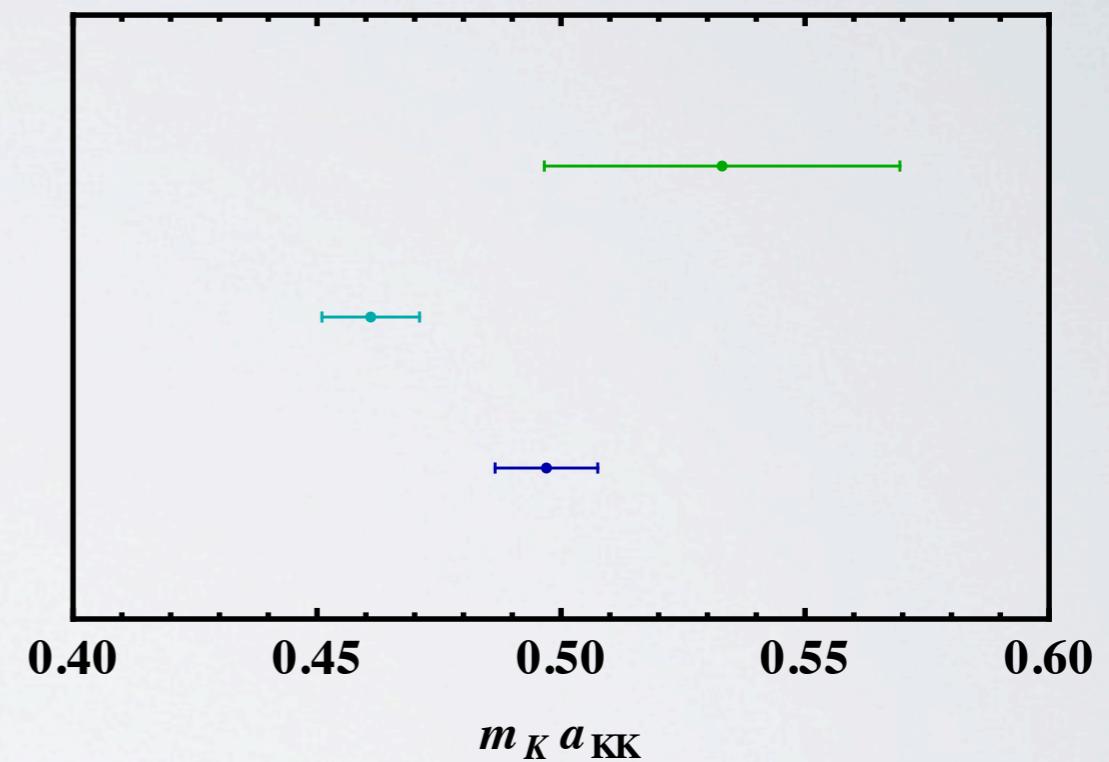


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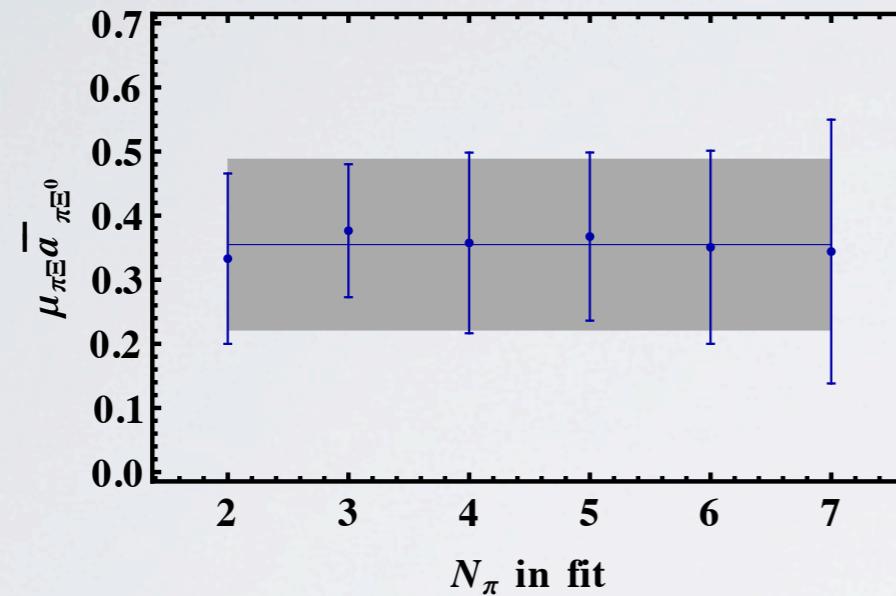


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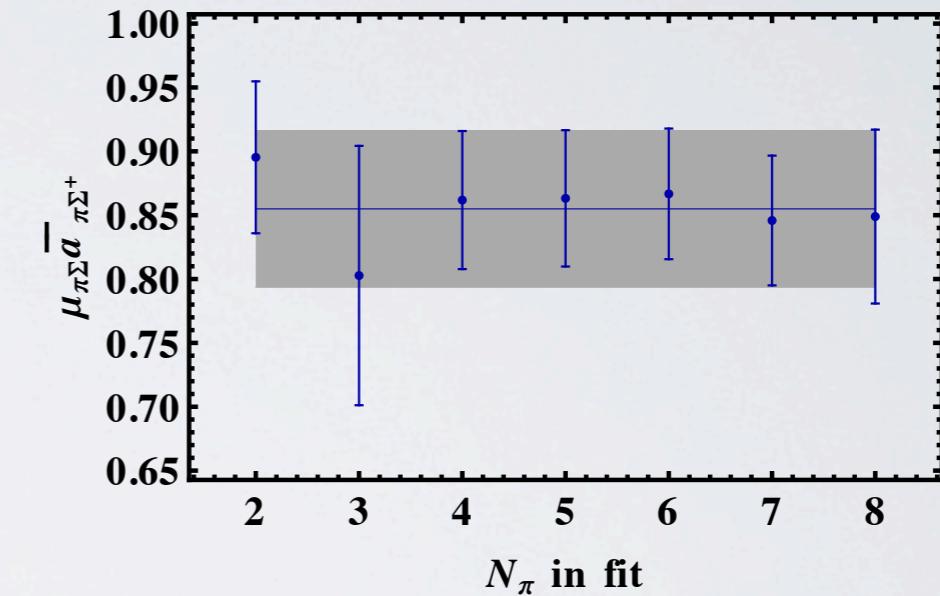


# MESON-BARYON 2-BODY PARAMETERS

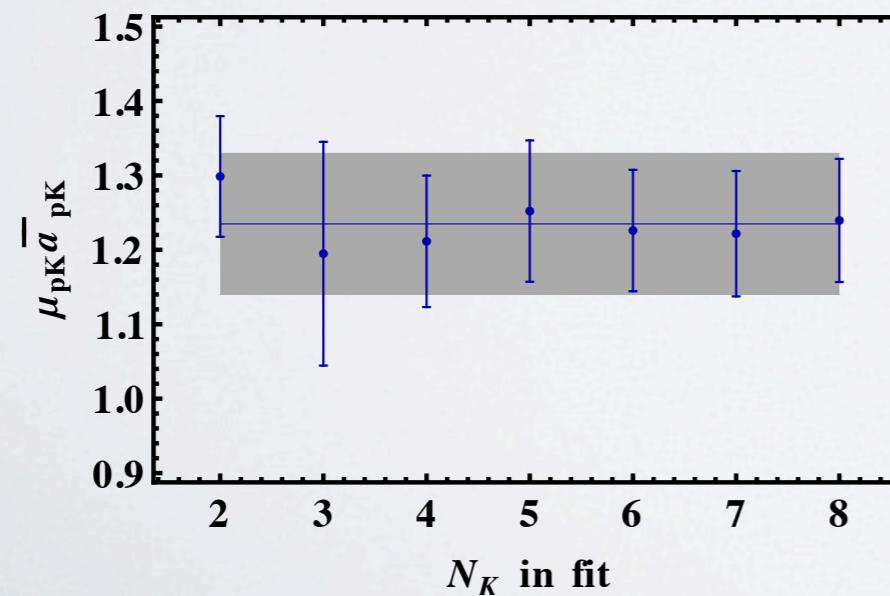
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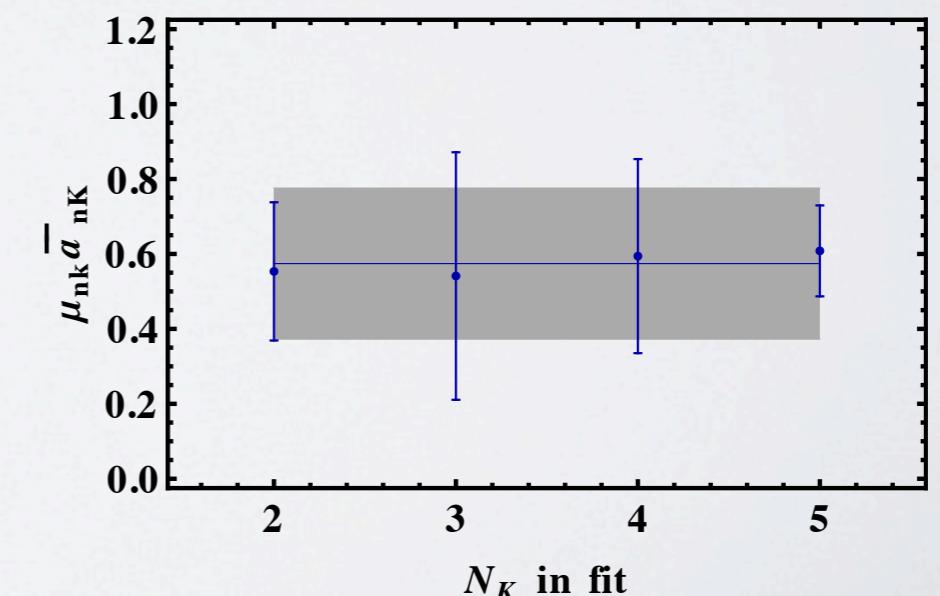
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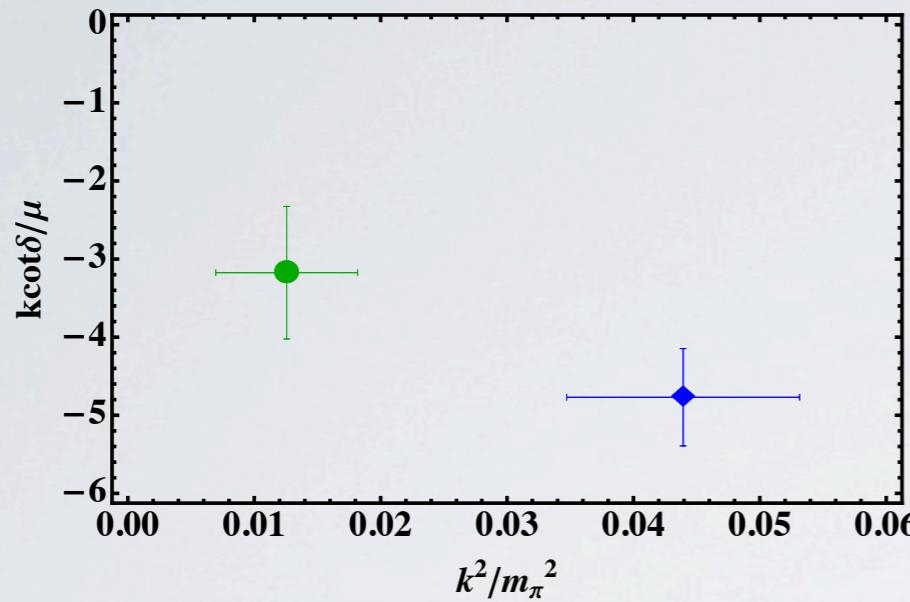
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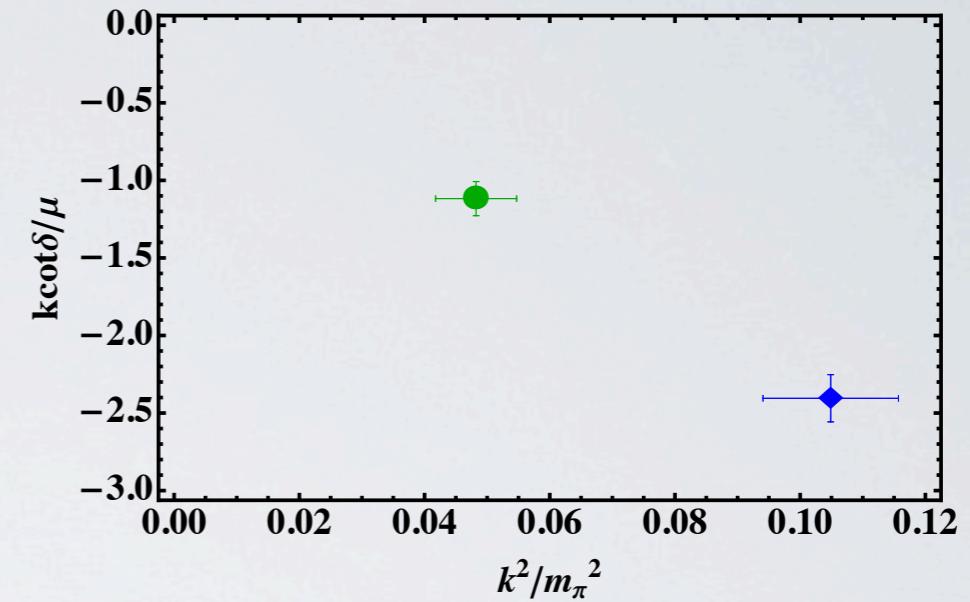
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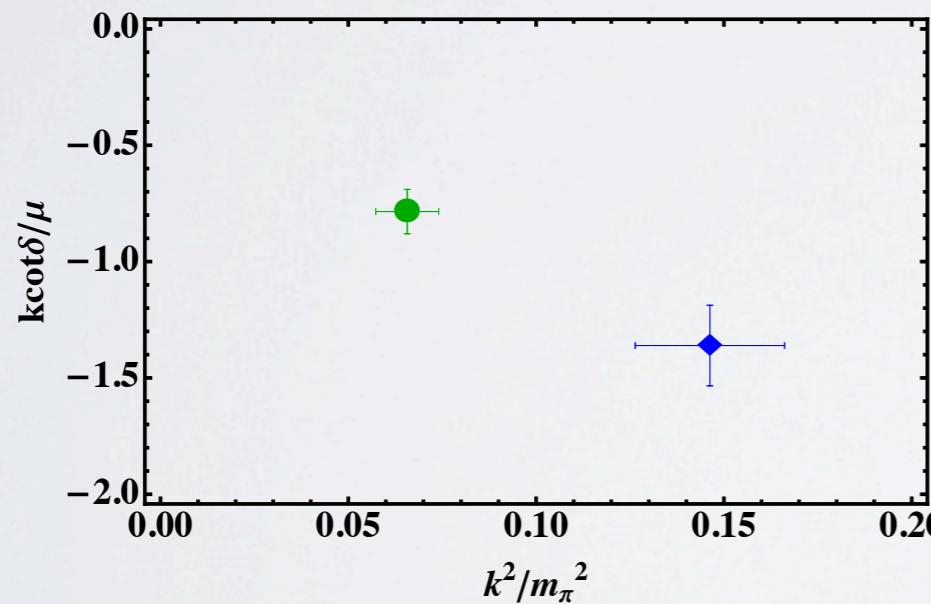
$[E]^0, \pi^+$



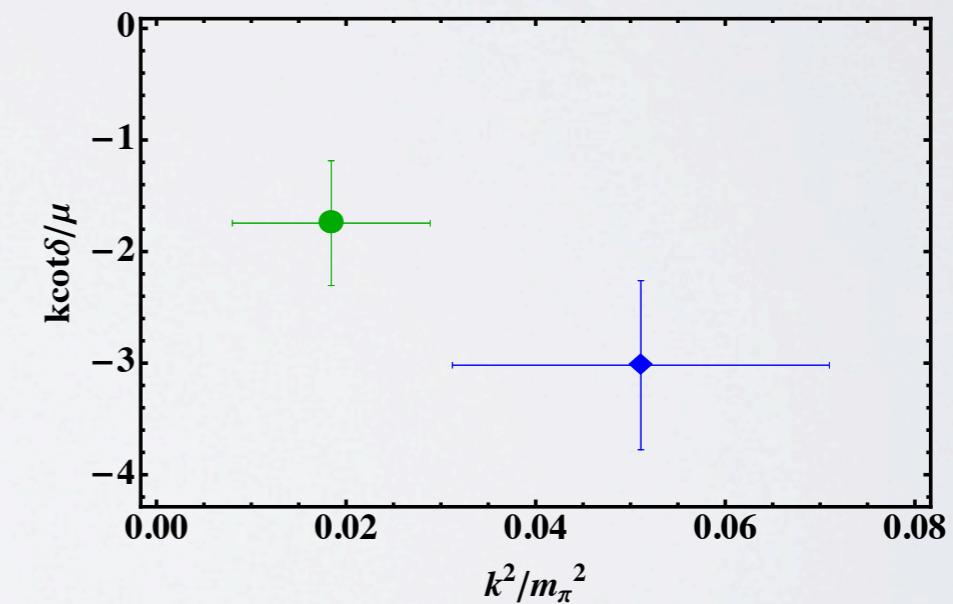
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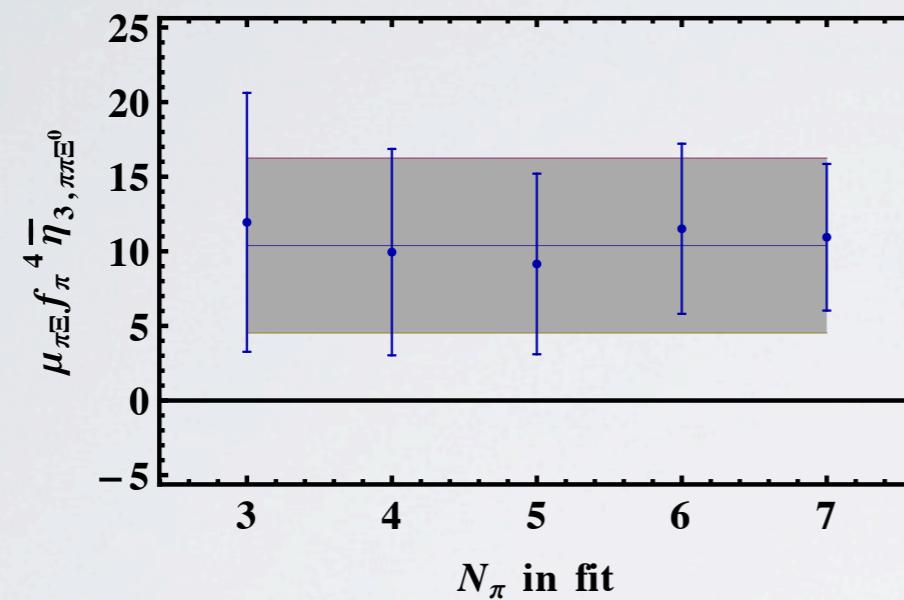
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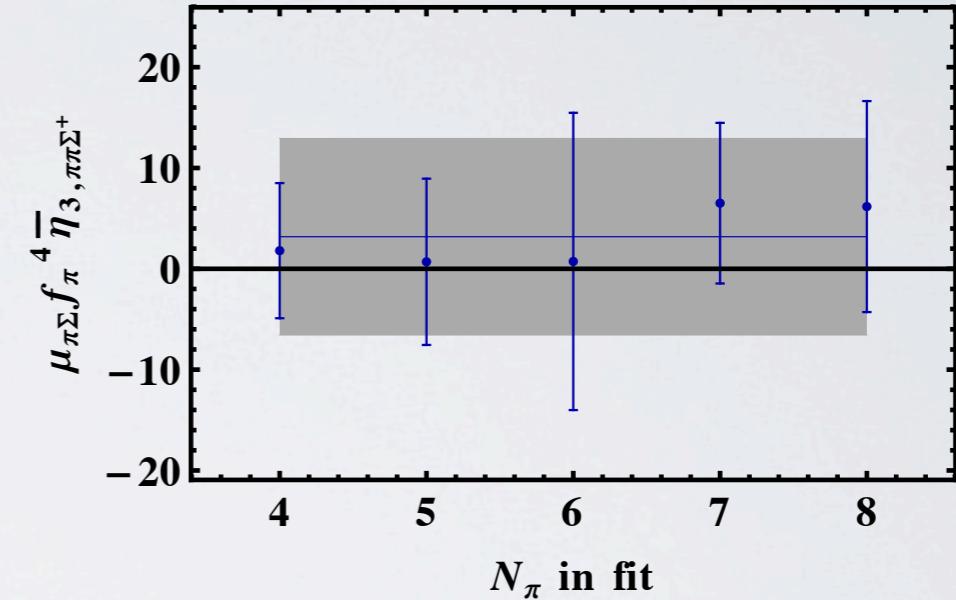
NPLQCD (2009)  
 $L=2.5$  fm

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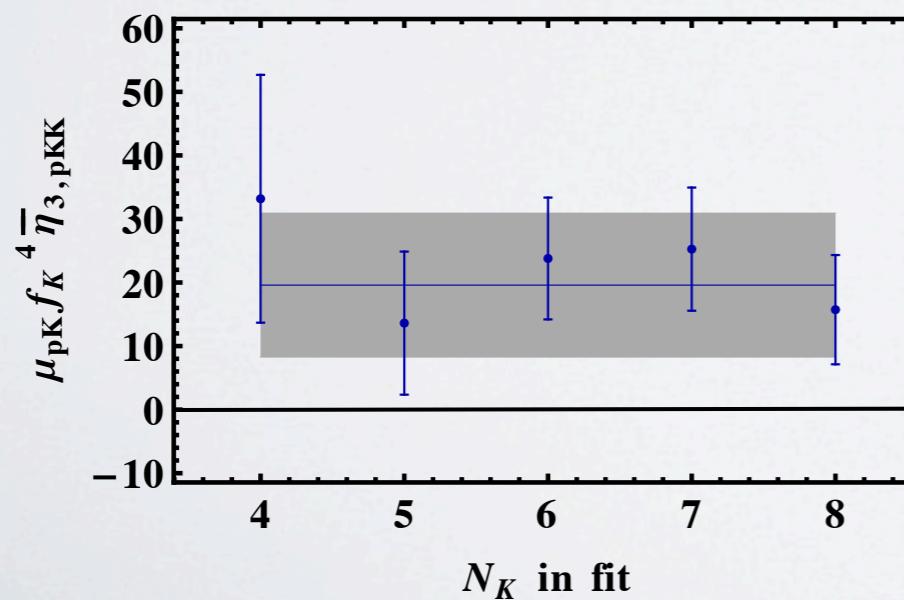
$[\Xi^0, \pi^+]$



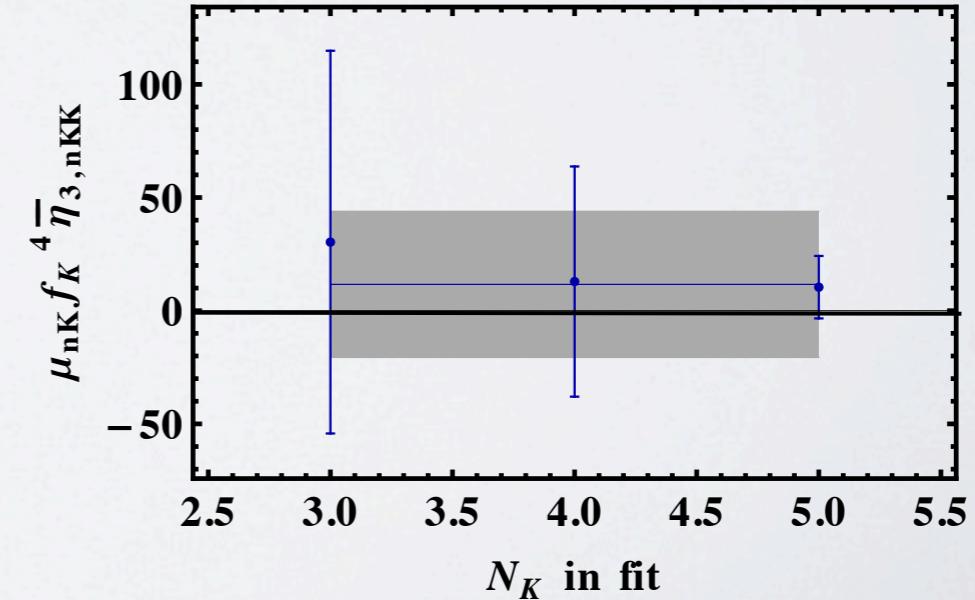
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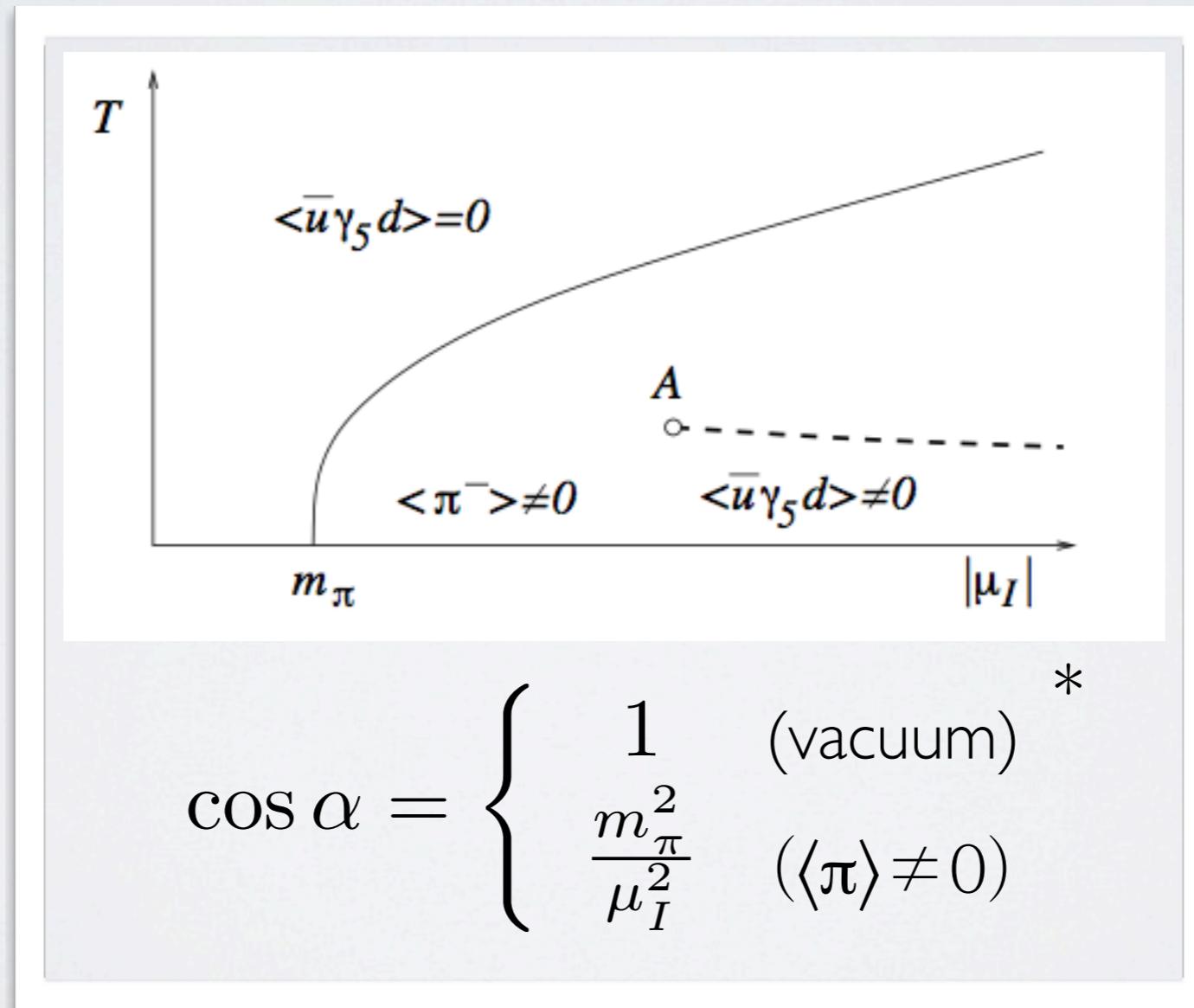


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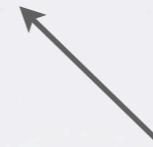
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Subtract mass in vacuum to give LECs  
corresponding to pion interactions

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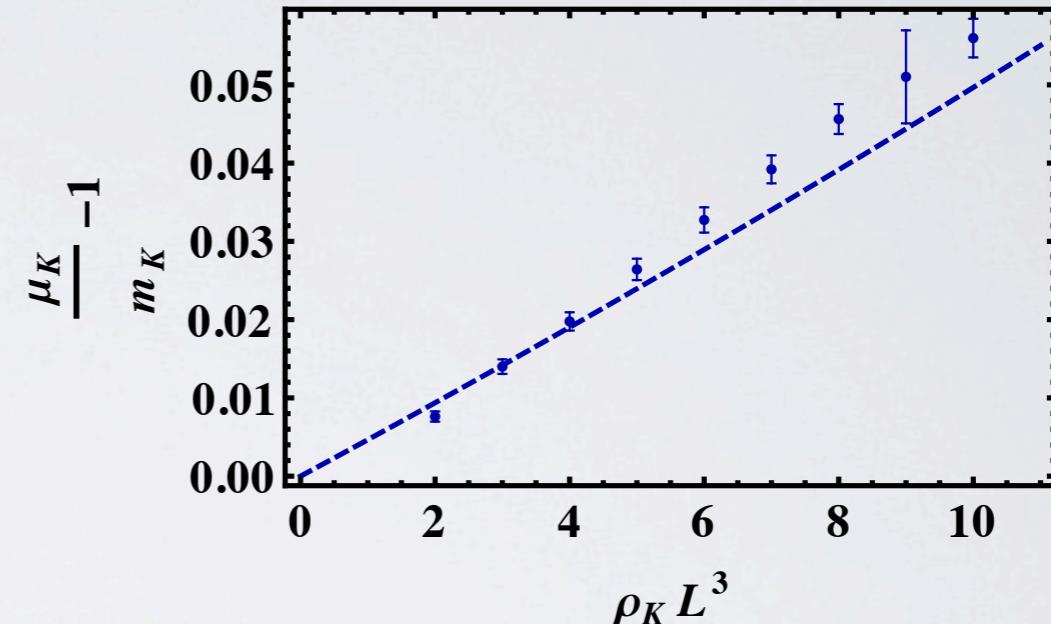
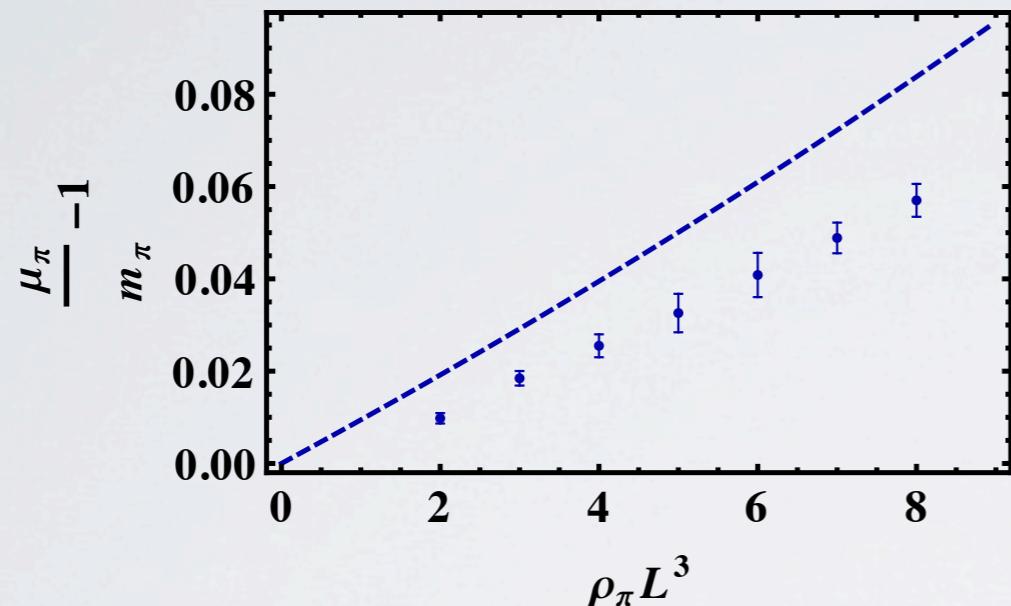
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$$M_{\Sigma^+}(\mu_I, m_\pi) \iff M_p(\mu_K, m_K)$$

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# CHEMICAL POTENTIAL

$$\rho_{\pi,K} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{stat}}{\partial \mu_{\pi,K}} = f_{\pi,K}^2 \mu_{\pi,K} \left(1 - \frac{m_{\pi,K}^4}{\mu_{\pi,K}^4}\right)^*$$

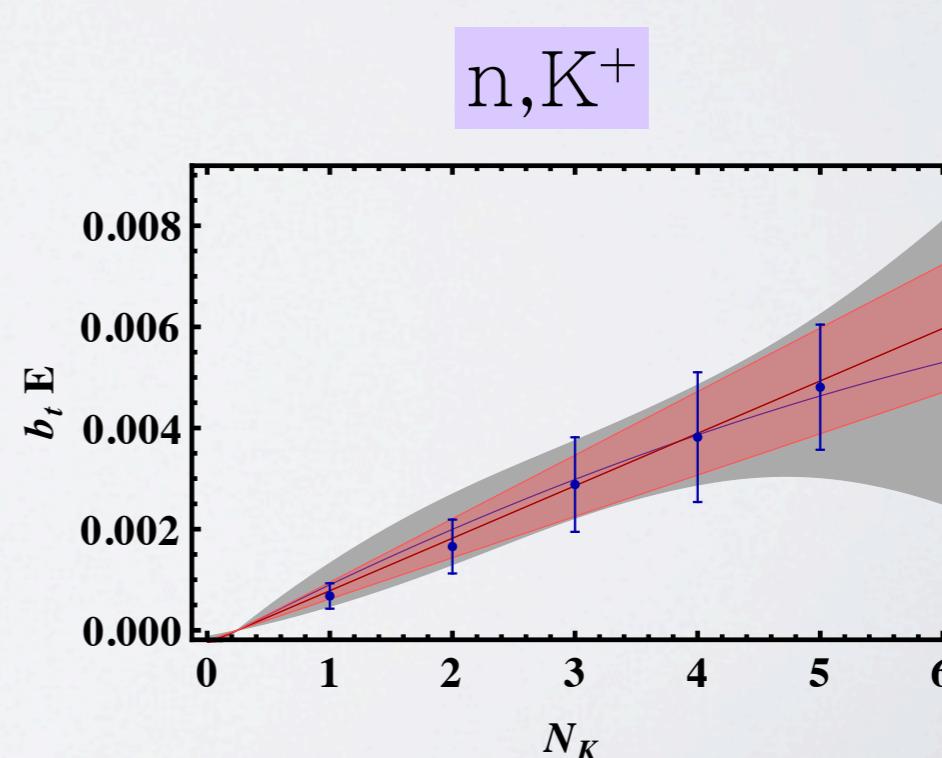
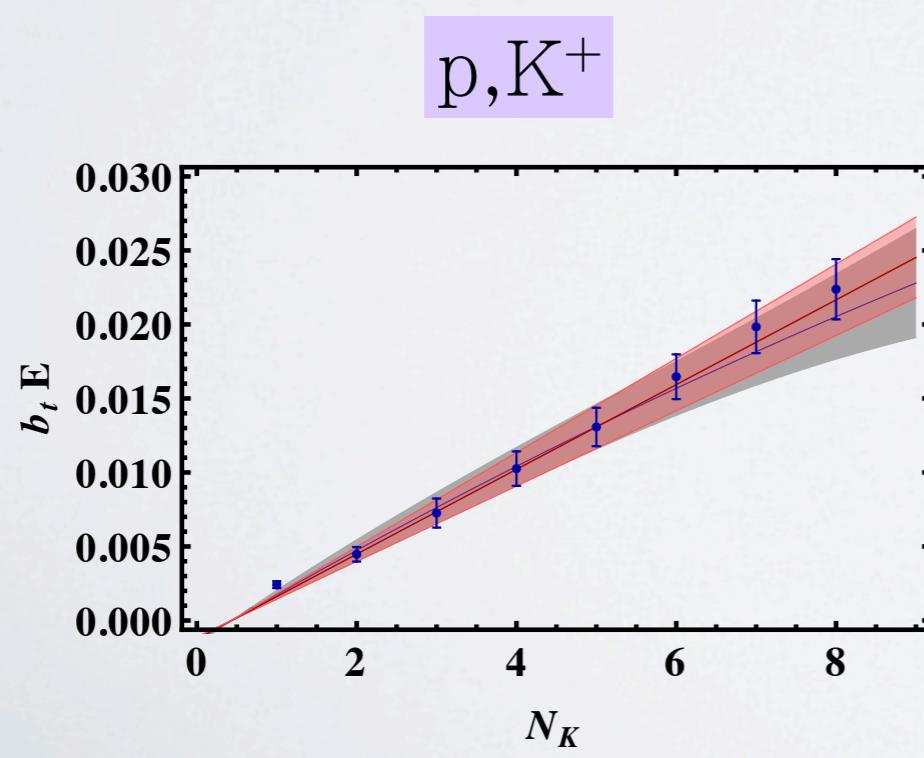
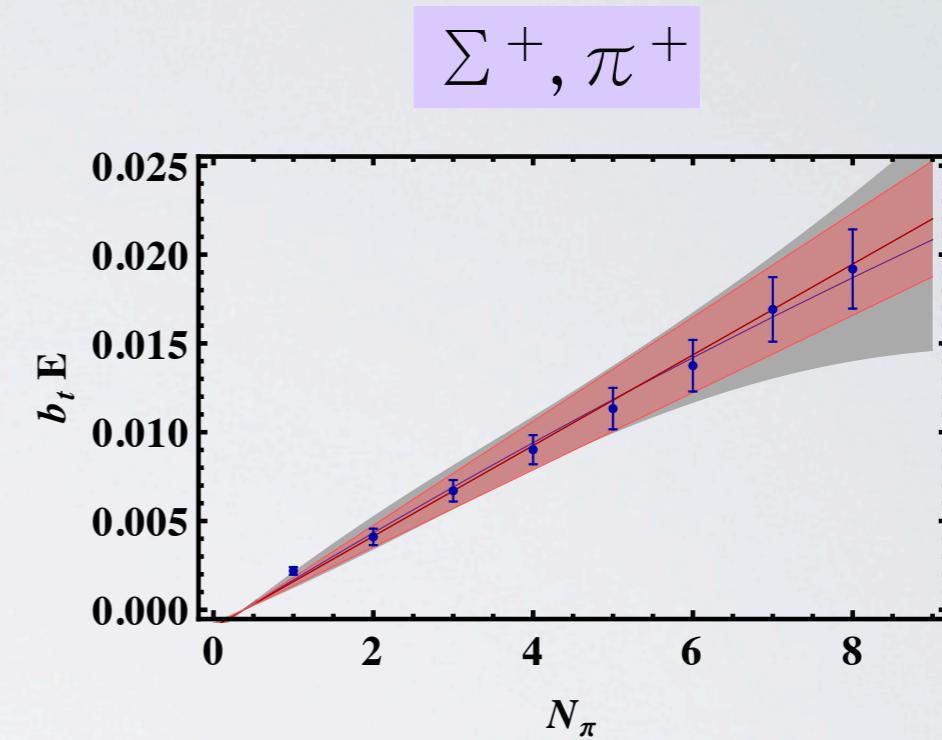
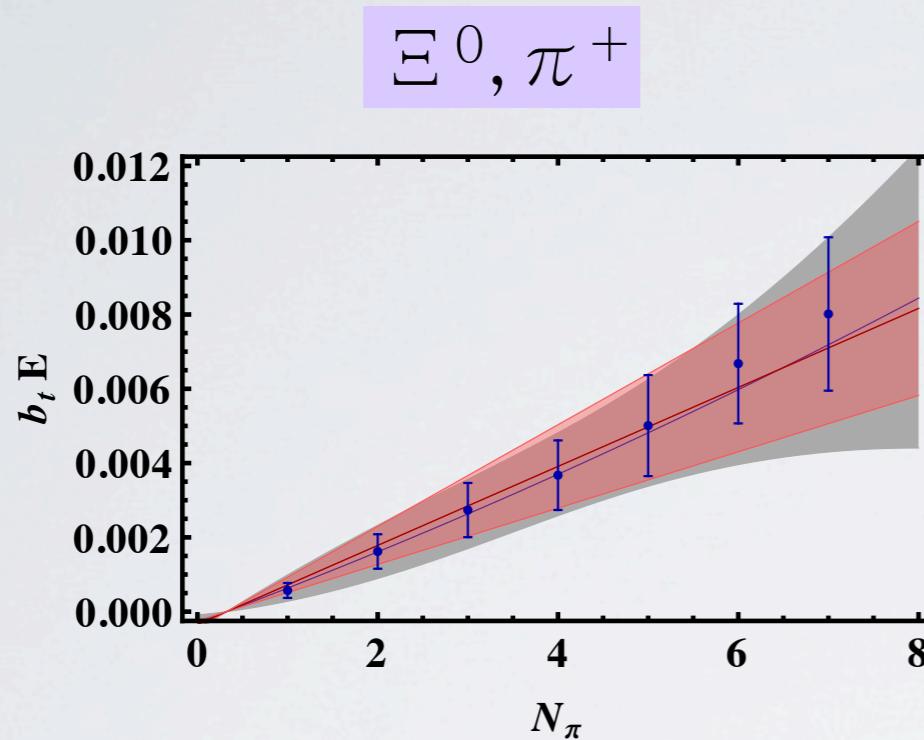


- $|\mu_{\pi,K}/m_{\pi,K}|$  very small
- Expanding mass relations around  $\mu_{\pi,K}=m_{\pi,K}$  gives different linear combinations of LECs
- fits much more stable

\*Son & Stephanov (2001)

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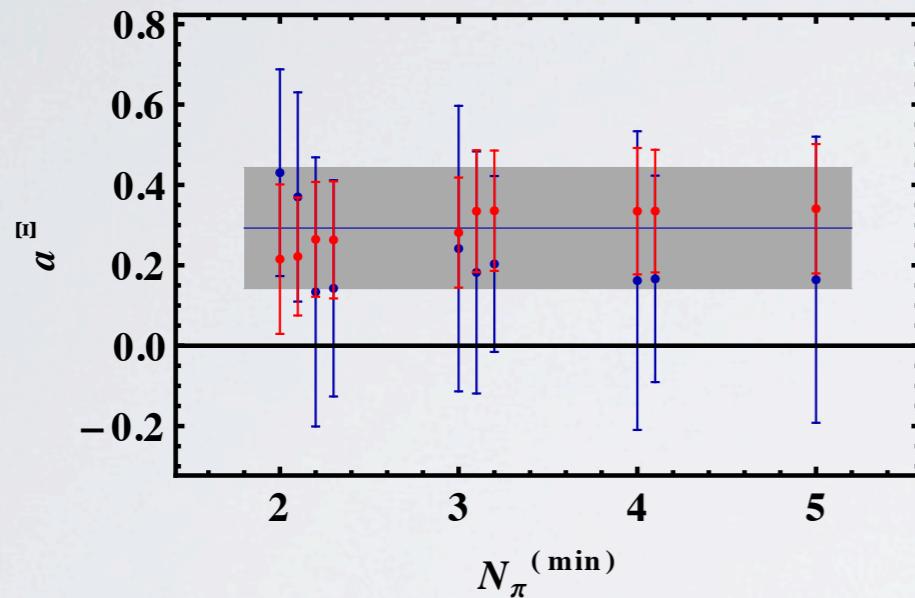
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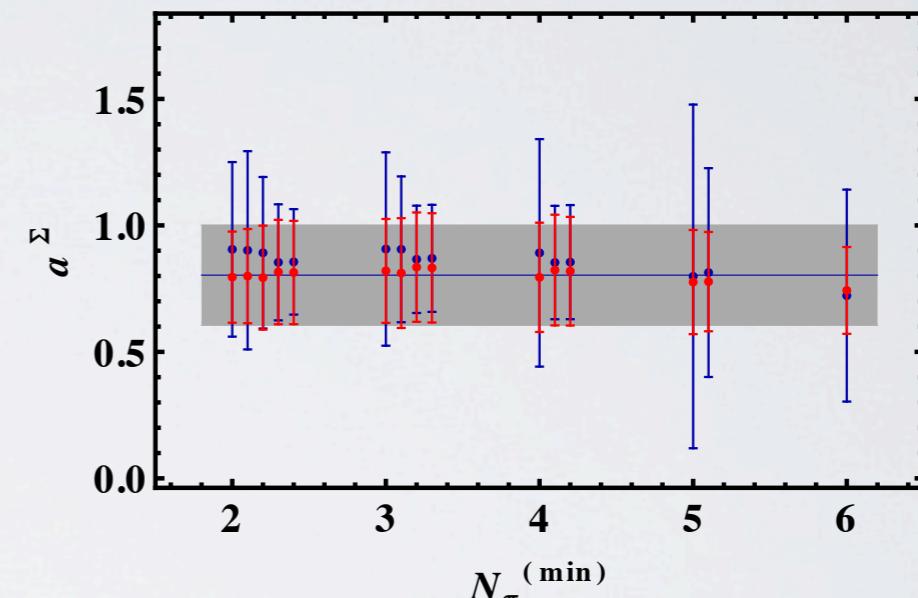
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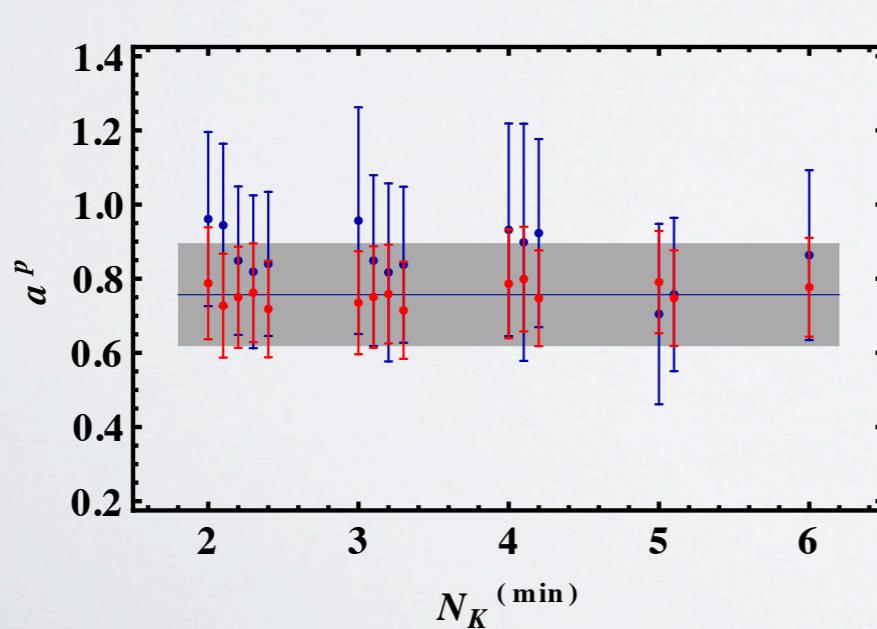
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# SUMMARY

- Investigated systems of up to 9 mesons + 1 baryon
  - Some volume-dependence of meson-baryon scattering phase shifts found when compared to previous work by NPLQCD
    - may indicate significant effective range contribution and/or inelasticities
  - First calculation of meson-meson-baryon 3-body interaction
  - Some combinations of LECs accessible
- Thermal effects & noise current limitation to system size
- Would like to study attractive channels (need to deal with disconnected contributions)

