

# 胶球的格点 QCD 研究

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# Hadron

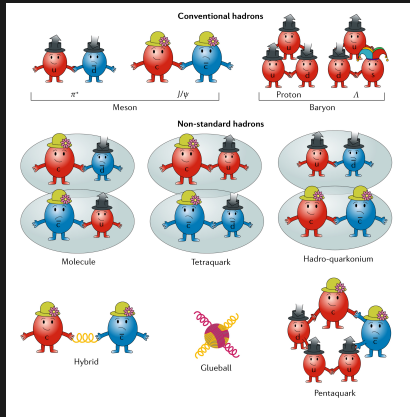


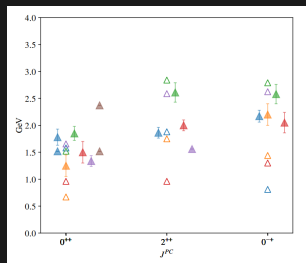
Figure: Various types of hadrons.[10.1038/s42254-019-0082-y]

# Why study glueballs?

- ▶ It provides a deep understanding of the behavior of pure gluons, helping to distinguish the interaction mechanisms between quarks and gluons.
- ▶ The existence of glueballs offers an important test of the validity of quantum chromodynamics.
- ▶ Research on glueballs helps to understand the non-perturbative characteristics of strong interactions.
- ▶ Glueballs may be associated with new physical phenomena such as dark matter in phenomenological models, providing potential candidates for dark matter.

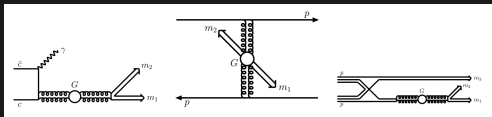
# Theory study

- ▶ the phenomenological models, the constituent gluon model, MIT bag model ...
- ▶ the analytical models, QCD sum rules, the Bethe-Salpeter equation...



# How to search for glueballs

- ▶ The decay process should exhibit flavor symmetry.
- ▶ There exist supernumerary isoscalar state in the  $q\bar{q}$  nonets.
- ▶ The ideal search process.
  - ▶  $N\bar{N}$  annihilation processes
  - ▶ Central production experiments
  - ▶  $J/\psi$  radiative decay processes, etc.



# Glueball candidates

- ▶ scalar glueball
  - ▶  $f_0(1710), f_0(1500), f_0(1370)$
- ▶ pseudoscalar glueball
  - ▶  $\eta(1405), \eta(1475)$
  - ▶  $X(2370)$
- ▶ tensor glueball
  - ▶  $f_J(2220), f_2(2340)$
- ▶ We still have not fully identified the glueball and need more efforts in both experimental and theoretical aspects.

# Lattice QCD

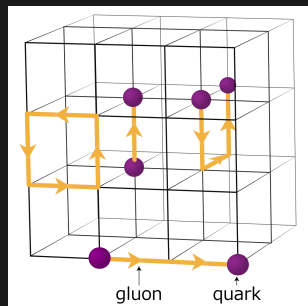
- ▶ Path integral quantization

$$Z = \int D A D \psi D \bar{\psi} e^{i S[A, \psi, \bar{\psi}]}$$

$$\rightarrow \int D U \det M[U] e^{-S_g[U]}$$

$$\langle \hat{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int D U \det M[U] e^{-S_g[U]} \hat{O}[U]$$

- ▶ Perform a Wick rotation to Euclidean spacetime, and solve it using Monte Carlo methods after discretization.



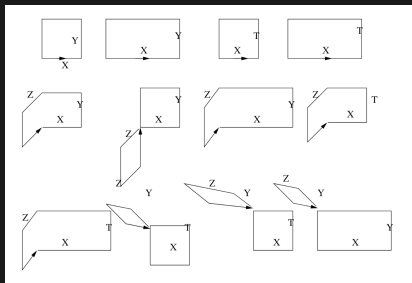
$$\langle \hat{O}[U, \psi, \bar{\psi}] \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i O[U_i] + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right)$$



# Glueball operator

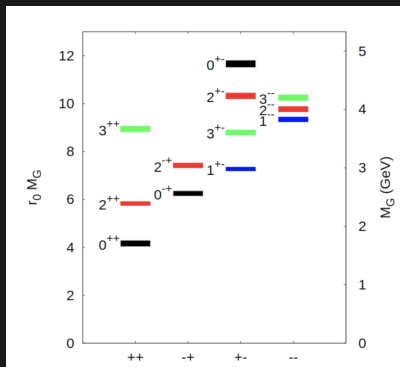
- ▶ Use optimized operators to extract the glueball mass.

$$C(\vec{p}, t) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{\tau} \langle \Phi(\vec{p}, t + \tau) \Phi^\dagger(\vec{p}, \tau) \rangle$$
$$\approx \frac{|\langle 0 | \Phi(\vec{p}, 0) | S(\vec{p}) \rangle|^2}{2E_S V_3} e^{-E_S t} \approx e^{-E_S t},$$



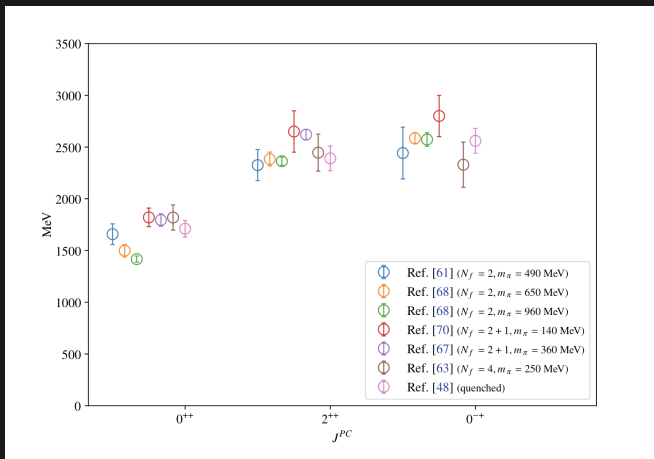
# Quenched approximation

- Under the quenched lattice QCD, the scalar ( $0^{++}$ ) glueball has a mass of approximately (1.5 ~ 1.7 GeV), the tensor ( $2^{++}$ ) glueball has a mass of approximately 2.2 ~ 2.4 GeV, and the pseudoscalar ( $0^{-+}$ ) glueball has a mass of approximately 2.4 ~ 2.6 GeV. [PhysRevD.73.014516]



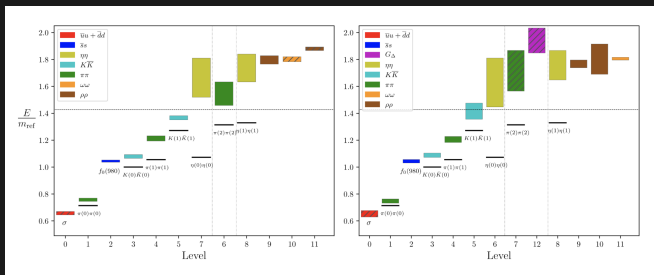
# Unquenched approximation

- ▶ In recent years, there have been many studies investigating the glueball spectrum using pure glueball operators in the unquenched approximation. [arXiv:2305.04869]



# Beyond gluon operators

- Some studies have attempted to construct correlation functions using  $\bar{q}q$ , multi-quark operators, and gluon operators together, and analyze the light meson spectrum through variational methods.[AIP Conf. Proc., 2249(1):030032, 2020.]



# The production rate of glueballs

- ▶  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_s$  : [PRL110,021601],

$$\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_s) = 0.35(8) \text{ keV}$$

$$\text{Br}(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_s) = 3.8(9) \times 10^{-3}$$

- ▶  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_T$  : [PRL111,091601],

$$\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_T) = 1.01(22)(10) \text{ keV}$$

$$\text{Br}(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_T) = 1.1(2)(1) \times 10^{-2}$$

- ▶  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_{ps}$  : [PRD100,054511],

$$\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_{ps}) = 0.0215(74) \text{ keV}$$

$$\text{Br}(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_{ps}) = 2.31(80) \times 10^{-4}$$

- ▶ However, so far, we still cannot provide a definitive answer regarding the existence of glueballs.
  - ▶ There is a lack of sufficient understanding of the properties of glueballs, such as their production, decay, and other related information.
  - ▶ There is a strong likelihood of mixing between glueballs and isospin singlet mesons, making them difficult to distinguish.
- ▶ On one hand, there is a need for more comprehensive experimental measurements of glueball candidates; on the other hand, it is essential to provide richer theoretical insights.

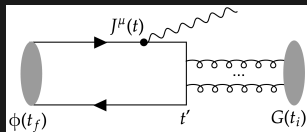
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# The radiative decay of glueball



**Figure:** The radiative decay of glueball.

- ▶ Radiative processes provide an ideal probe to understand the internal structure of particles.
- ▶ Theoretical estimates of various pure state decay processes offer important theoretical inputs for calculating their mixing matrix.
- ▶ The combined radiative decay and two-photon decay processes can provide information on the stickiness parameter of particles.



- ▶ Radiative decay width

$$\Gamma(i \rightarrow \gamma f) = \frac{1}{2J_i + 1} \frac{1}{32\pi^2} \int d\Omega_q \frac{|\vec{q}|}{M_i^2} \sum_{r_i, r_j, r_\gamma} |\mathcal{M}_{r_i, r_j, r_\gamma}|^2$$

- ▶ Decay amplitude

$$\mathcal{M}_{r_i, r_f, r_\gamma} = \epsilon_\mu^*(q, r_\gamma) \langle f(p_f, r_f) | j_{em}^\mu(0) | i(p_i, r_i) \rangle$$

- ▶ Multi-pole expanding

$$\langle f(p_f, r_f) | j_{em}^\mu(0) | i(p_i, r_i) \rangle = \sum_k \alpha_k^\mu(p_f, p_i, \epsilon_f, \epsilon_i) F_k(Q^2)$$

# Three point function

► Three point function

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{i,\mu,j}^{(3)}(\vec{q}; t_f, t) &= \frac{1}{T} \sum_{\tau=0}^{T-1} \sum_{\vec{y}} e^{-i\vec{q}\vec{y}} \langle \Phi^{(i)}(t_f + \tau) \\ &\quad \times J_{\mu}(\vec{y}, t + \tau) O_{V,j}(\vec{0}, \tau) \rangle \\ &= \sum_{T,V,r} \frac{e^{-M_T(t_f-t)} e^{-E_V(\vec{q})t}}{2M_T V_3 2E_V(\vec{q})} \\ &\quad \times \langle 0 | \Phi^{(i)}(0) | G_i \rangle \langle G_i | J_{\mu}(0) | V(\vec{q}, r) \rangle \\ &\quad \times \langle V(\vec{q}, r) | O_{V,j}^{\dagger}(0) | 0 \rangle\end{aligned}$$

# Lattice setup

TABLE I. The configuration parameters and mass spectrum. The spatial lattice spacing  $a_s$  is determined from  $r_0^{-1} = 0.410(20)$  GeV by calculating the static potential.

$\beta$	$\xi$	$a_s$ (fm)	$La_s$ (fm)	$L^3 \times T$	$N_{\text{conf}}$	$m[\eta_s(0^{--})]$ (GeV)	$m[\phi(1^{--})]$ (GeV)	$m[f_0^{(s)}(0^{++})]$ (GeV)	$m[G(0^{++})]$ (GeV)
2.4	5	0.222(2)	2.66	$12^3 \times 192$	4000	0.7025(19)	1.0241(17)	1.569(22)	1.372(27)
2.8	5	0.138(1)	2.21	$16^3 \times 192$	4000	0.7064(12)	1.0287(20)	1.549(29)	1.495(54)
3.0	5	0.110(1)	1.76	$16^3 \times 192$	4000	0.6946(27)	1.0214(22)	1.593(24)	1.612(63)
$\infty$						0.7044(20)	1.0252(23)	1.582(28)	1.635(62)

[Sci. China Phys. Mech. Astron. 67,111012 (2024)]

# Glueball and $\phi$

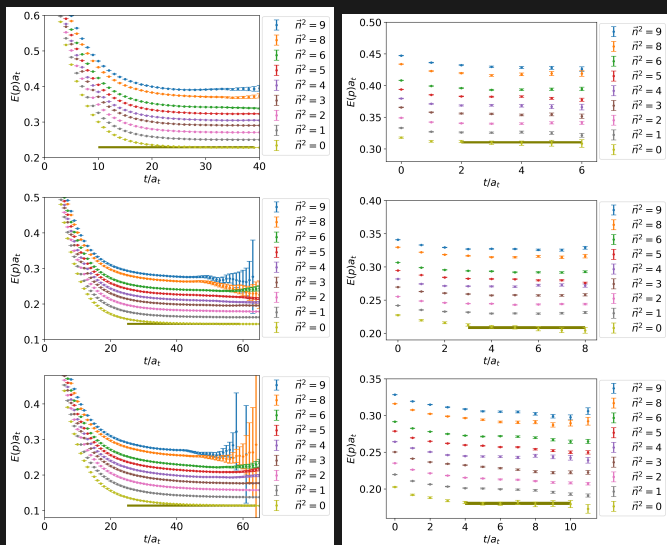


Figure: The effective mass of glueball and  $\phi$ .

# Formfactor

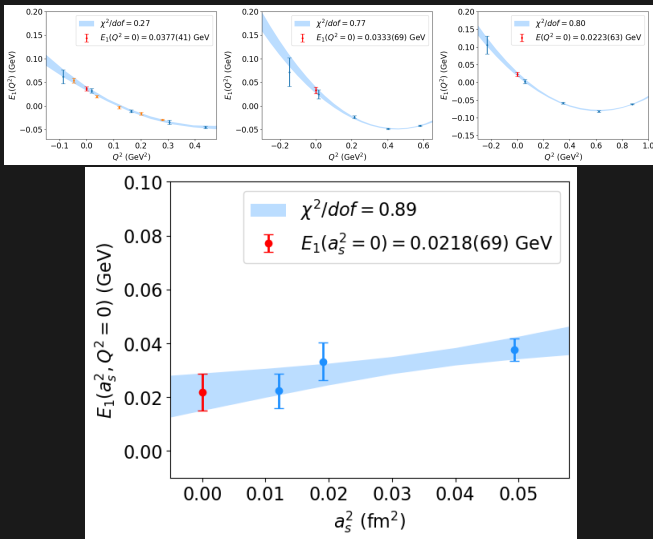


Figure: The form factor of  $G \rightarrow \gamma\phi$ .

$$G_s \rightarrow \gamma\phi$$

- ▶ The decay width of  $G_s \rightarrow \gamma\phi$

$$\Gamma_{G \rightarrow \gamma\phi} = 0.074(47) \text{ keV}$$

- ▶ Assuming the decay width of the glueball is  $\sim \mathcal{O}(100 \text{ MeV})$ , we can obtain

$$\text{Br}(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G, G \rightarrow \gamma\phi) \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-9}).$$

This can explain why the  $f_0(1710)$  particle has not been observed in the experimental process

$J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma\phi$ . [arxiv:2401.00918]

$$G_s \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

- ▶ Additionally, based on the VMD model, we estimate the width of  $G_s \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  to be

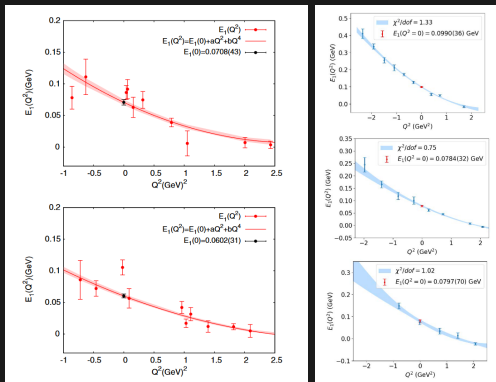
$$\Gamma(G \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \approx 0.52(33)\text{eV},$$

which allows us to determine the stickiness parameter of the glueball as follows:

$$S(G) = C \left( \frac{m_G}{q_\gamma} \right) \frac{\Gamma(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G)}{\Gamma(G \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)} \sim \mathcal{O}(10^4)$$

$$J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_S$$

- ▶ Additionally, we have recalculated the process  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_S$ .



**Figure:** The left figure shows our previous calculation results for the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_S$ , while the right figure presents the most recently updated calculation results.



- ▶ The decay width and branch ratio of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G_s$

$$\Gamma_{J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G} = 0.578(86) \text{ keV}$$

$$\text{Br}(J/\psi \rightarrow \gamma G) = 6.2(9) \times 10^{-3}$$

- ▶ The new results reconsider the calculation of the current renormalization coefficient. This result is consistent with coupled-channel analysis based on BESIII data, which gives a yield of  $5.8 \times 10^{-3}$  for the scalar glueball in the  $J/\psi$  radiative decay process.[Phys.Lett.B 816,136227 (2021)]

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# Mixing

- ▶ In the presence of dynamical quarks, glueballs can mix with meson states that have the same quantum numbers.

$$\begin{pmatrix} |g\rangle \\ |f_0\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |G\rangle \\ |s\bar{s}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Using a basis composed of pure glueball states  $|G\rangle$  and pure  $|s\bar{s}\rangle$  states, the Hamiltonian can be expressed as:

$$\hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} m_{G_1} & x_1 \\ x_1 & m_{(s\bar{s})_1} \end{pmatrix} \oplus \dots$$

- ▶ The relationship between the mixing angle  $\theta$  and the mixing energy  $x$  can be expressed as:

$$\sin \theta = \frac{x}{\Delta} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{x^3}{\Delta^3}\right),$$
$$\Delta = m_G - m_{(s\bar{s})}$$

- ▶ The mixing energy can be extracted from the two-point correlation function of the glueball and the  $s\bar{s}$  :

$$C_{G1}(t) \approx \sqrt{Z_G Z_1} \frac{x}{m_{s\bar{s}} - m_G} (e^{-m_{f_0} t} - e^{-m_G t})$$

- ▶ By combining the two-point correlation functions  $C_{GG}(t)$  (for the glueball) and  $C_{11}(t)$  (for the  $s\bar{s}$  state), one can obtain the normalization constants  $Z_G$  and  $Z_1$ , as well as the masses  $m_{f_0}$  and  $m_G$ .
- ▶ With these parameters, one can fit the  $C_{G1}(t)$  to extract the mixing energy and the corresponding mixing angle.

- ▶ We have applied this method using configurations with a single flavor of sea quark, specifically setting  $m_{sea} = m_c$ , to compute the mixing of the pseudoscalar glueball with  $\eta_c$  [Phys.Lett.B 827 (2022) 136960]:

ensemble	$\Gamma$	$[t_l, t_h]_{CC}$	$[t_l, t_h]_{CG}$	$[t_l, t_h]_{GC}$	$\chi^2/dof$	$m_{\eta_1}$ (MeV)	$m_{g_1}$ (MeV)	$\theta_1$	$x_1$ (MeV)
I	$\gamma_5$	[10, 25]	[2, 18]	[2, 25]	1.1	2705(2)	2289(50)	6.8(9)°	49(9)
	$\gamma_5 \gamma_4$	[10, 25]	[2, 18]	[2, 30]	0.98	2701(1)	2283(51)	6.5(9)°	48(9)
	avg.	—	—	—	—	2703(1)	2286(50)	6.6(9)°	48(9)
II	$\gamma_5$	[13, 30]	[3, 15]	[2, 20]	1.1	3028(8)	2261(74)	4.5(6)°	60(10)
	$\gamma_5 \gamma_4$	[13, 30]	[2, 15]	[1, 30]	1.1	3031(3)	2348(47)	3.9(3)°	47(5)
	avg.	—	—	—	—	3031(3)	2323(55)	4.3(4)°	49(6)

- ▶ In the literature [Phys. Rev. D 107, 094510 (2023)], a similar method was employed using two-flavor dynamical configurations to compute the mixing of the pseudoscalar glueball with the  $\eta$  meson.

$\Gamma$	$[t_l, t_h]_\Gamma$	$[t_l, t_h]_{GG}$	$[t_l, t_h]_{G\Gamma}$	$\chi^2/\text{dof}$	$m_\eta a_t$	$m_G a_t$	$ x_1  a_t$	$ \theta $
$\gamma_5$	[9, 30]	[1, 14]	[3, 30]	0.96	0.10358(84)	0.3607(75)	0.0155(22)	3.46(46) $^\circ$
$\gamma_4 \gamma_5$	[5, 30]	[1, 14]	[0, 30]	0.15	0.10358(84)	0.3607(75)	0.0112(55)	2.5(1.2) $^\circ$

- ▶ How about the scalar case?

# Lattice setup

- Therefore, we recently used two-flavor anisotropic configurations to calculate the mixing of the scalar glueball with the scalar  $s\bar{s}$  meson.

$L^3 \times T$	$\beta$	$a_t^{-1} \text{GeV}$	$\xi$	$m_\pi(\text{MeV})$	$N_{cfg}$
$16 \times 128$	2.4	6.66	5.0	686	4893

**Table:** The parameters of configurations

# Two-point function

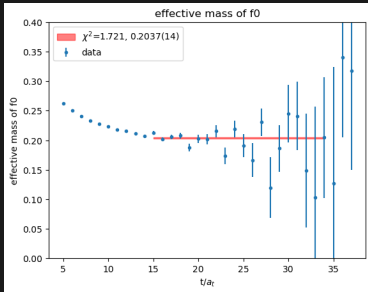
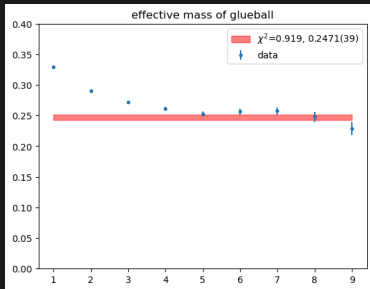
- ▶ The correlation functions of glueball and scalar  $s\bar{s}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}C_{GG}(\vec{p}, t) &= \langle \mathcal{O}_G(t, \vec{p}) \mathcal{O}_G^\dagger(0, \vec{p}) \rangle \\ &= \sum_n Z_G (e^{-E_G t} + e^{-E_G(T-t)})\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}C_{SS}(\vec{p}, t) &= \langle \mathcal{O}_1(t) \mathcal{O}_1(0) \rangle \\ &= -\langle \mathcal{G}^{(s)}(0, t; \vec{p}) \mathbb{1} \mathcal{G}^{(s)}(t, 0; \vec{p}) \mathbb{1} \rangle \\ &\quad + \text{Tr} \langle \mathcal{G}^{(s)}(0, 0; \vec{p}) \mathbb{1} \rangle \text{Tr} \langle \mathcal{G}^{(s)}(t, t; \vec{p}) \mathbb{1} \rangle \\ &= C_{SS}^{\text{con.}}(\vec{p}, t) + C_{SS}^{\text{disc.}}(\vec{p}, t)\end{aligned}$$



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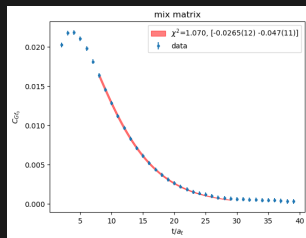


# The mixing matrix

$$\begin{aligned}C_{G1}(t) &= \langle O_1(t) O_G^\dagger(0) \rangle \\ &= \langle G_{SS}(t, t, \vec{p}) \mathbb{1} O_G^\dagger(0, \vec{p}) \rangle\end{aligned}$$

The mixing angle  
was obtained as

$$\theta = -35.0(1.5)^\circ.$$

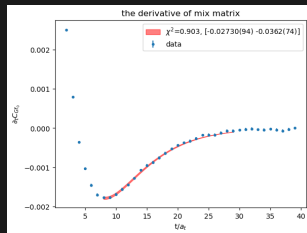


# The mixing matrix

$$\partial_t C_{G1}(t) \equiv \frac{1}{2a}(C_{G1}(t+1) - C_{G1}(t-1))$$

The mixing angle was determined by fitting  $\partial_t C_{G1}(t)$

$$\theta = -36.1(1.2)^\circ$$



# Mixing angle

- ▶ In the literature [Phys. Lett. B 826, 136906 (2022)], the mixing angles of various  $f_0$  mesons with glueballs were obtained based on experimental data fitting. The mixing angles for  $f_0(1770)$ ,  $f_0(1710)$  with the glueball are given as follows:

$$\phi_{2H}^G = -(29 \pm 6)^\circ, \quad \phi_{2L}^G = -(20 \pm 5)^\circ$$

- ▶ Our results currently only take into account the mixing between the glueball and the pure  $s\bar{s}$  meson.

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- ▶ Currently, the glueball mass from most lattice calculations is quite consistent. The results for quenched and unquenched cases are also not significantly different.
- ▶ We are the first to calculate the radiative decay of the scalar glueball to  $\phi$  based on lattice QCD and estimate the stickiness parameter of the scalar glueball to be  $\mathcal{O}(10^4)$ .
- ▶ We have obtained the mixing angle between the scalar glueball and the scalar  $s\bar{s}$  particle for the first time under the unquenched lattice QCD.
- ▶ How is a glueball defined in the unquenched approximation?
- ▶ What can be calculated on the lattice to help determine glueballs?

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