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Nonperturbative Expansion of QCD

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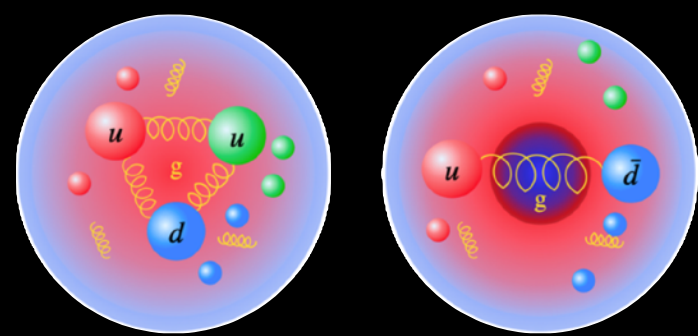
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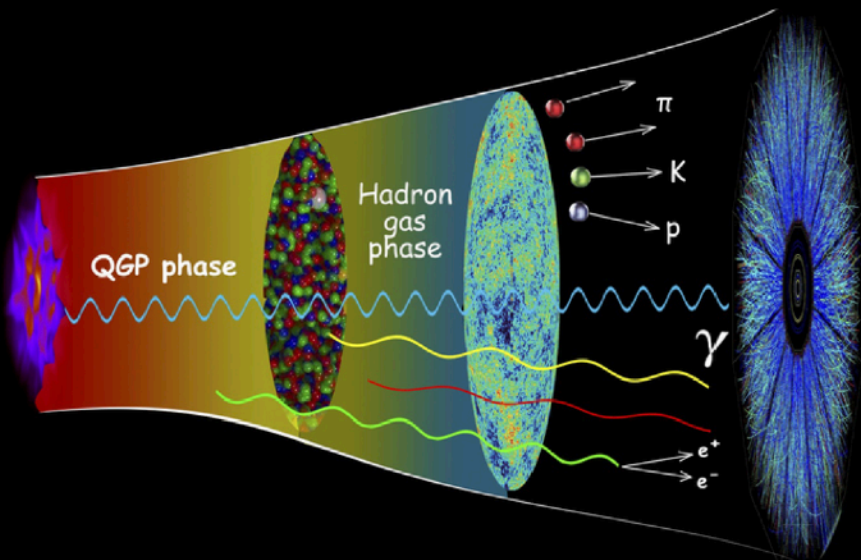
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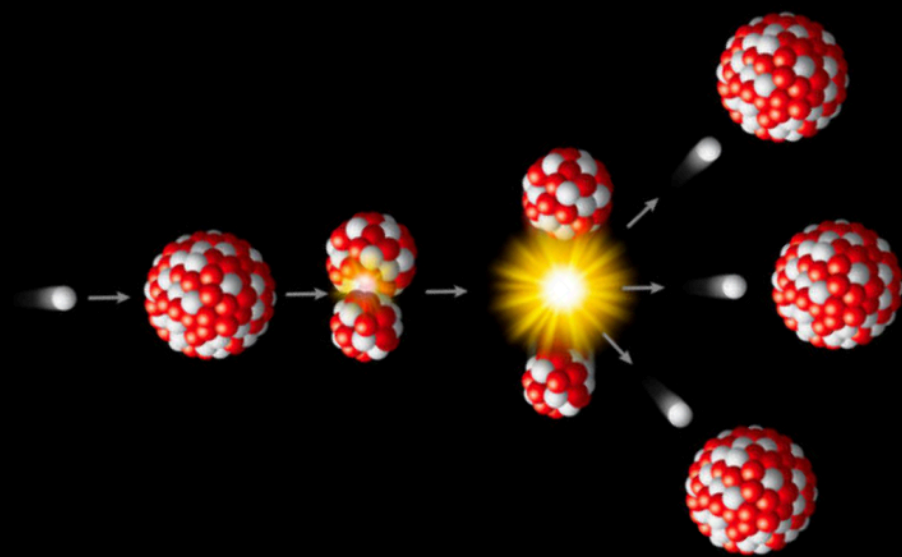
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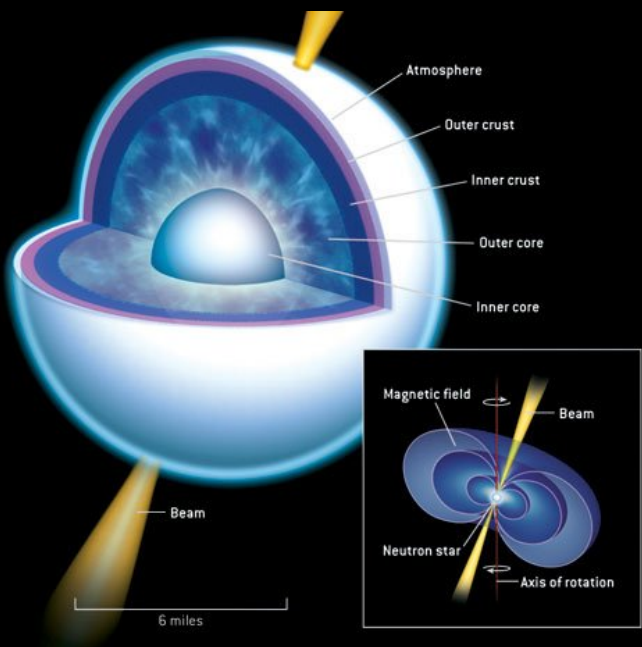
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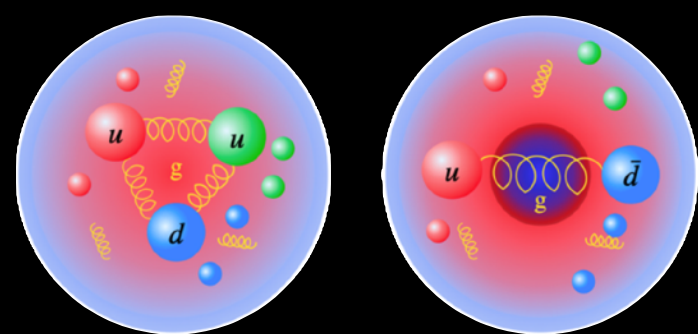


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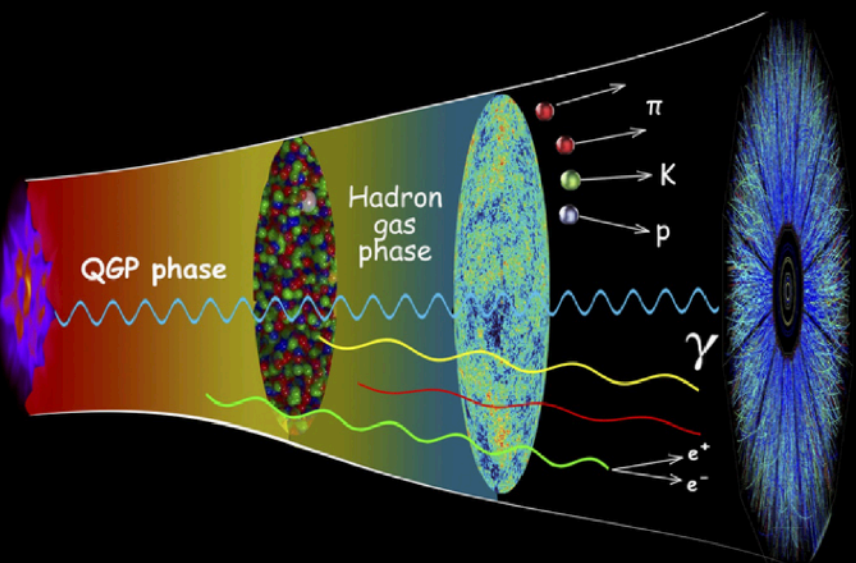


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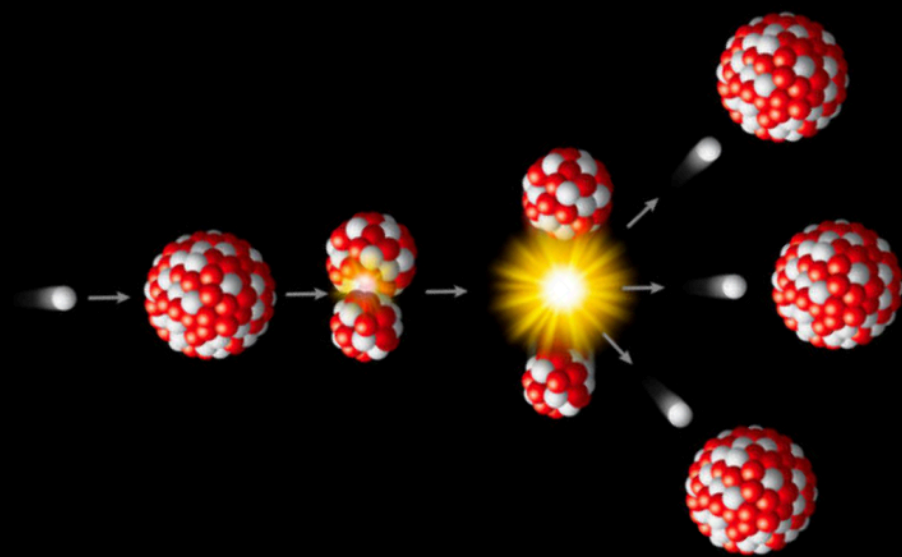
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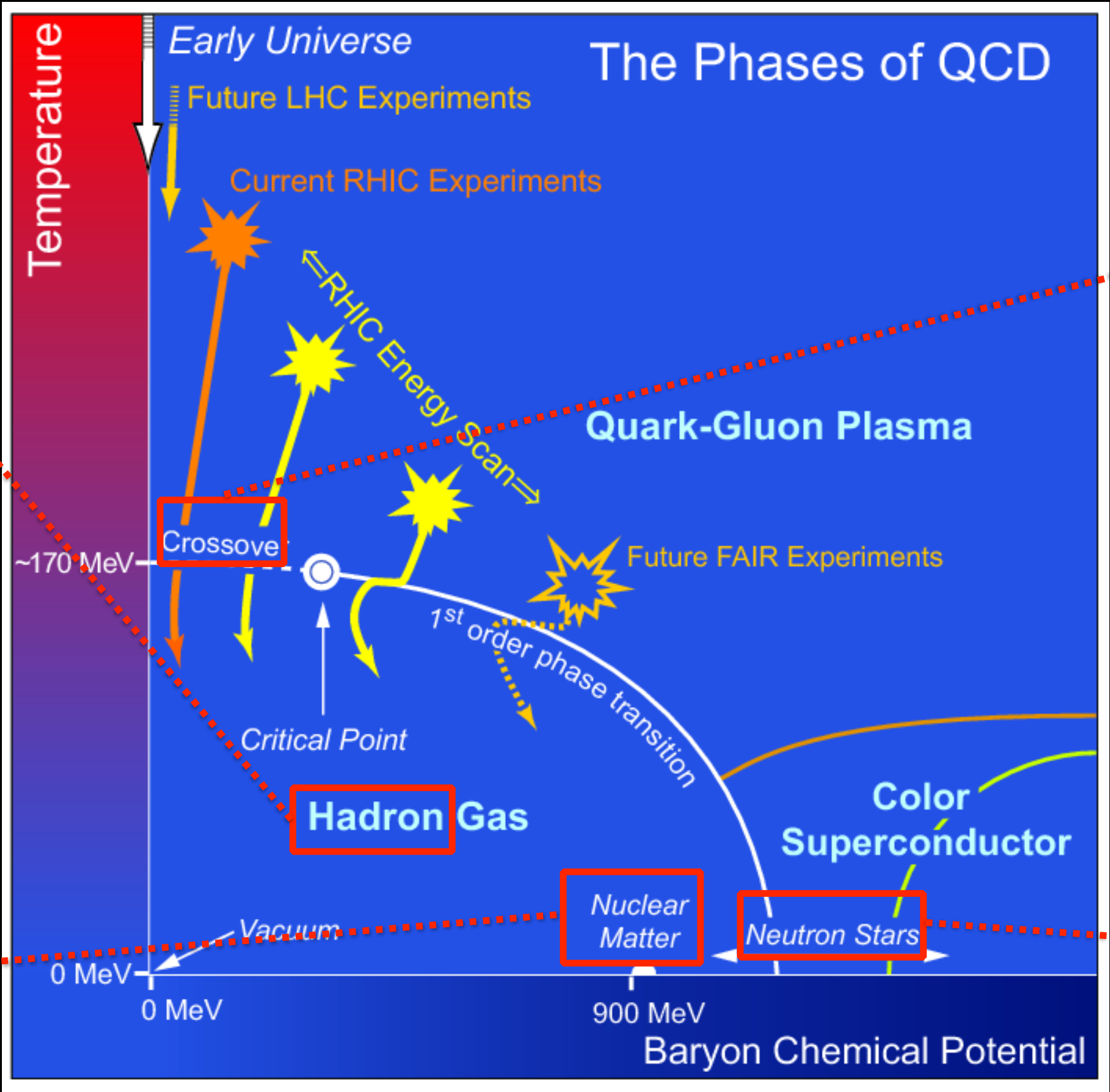
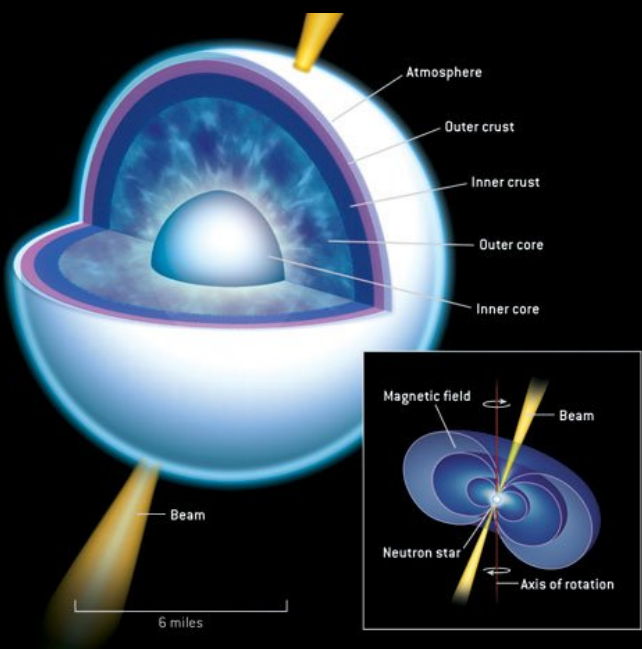
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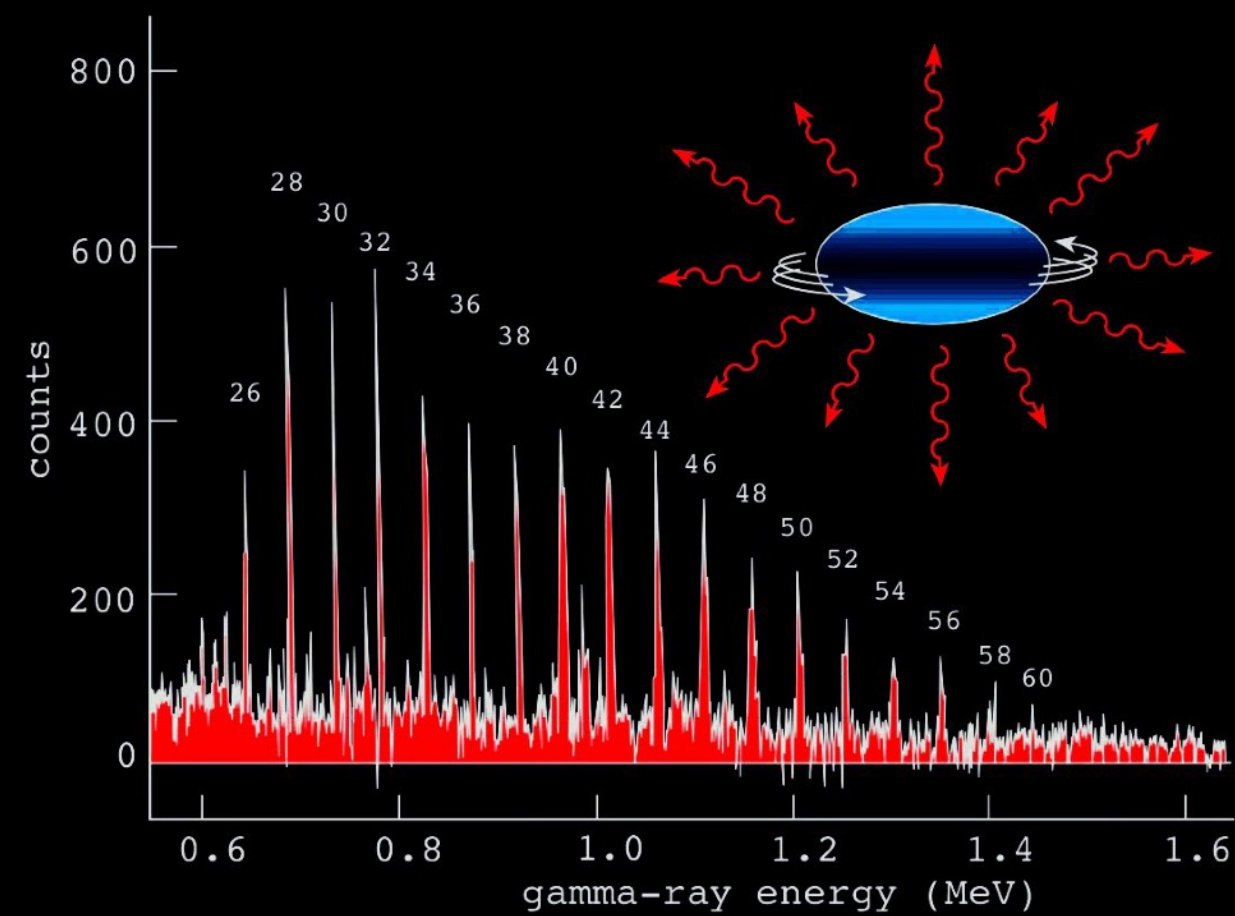


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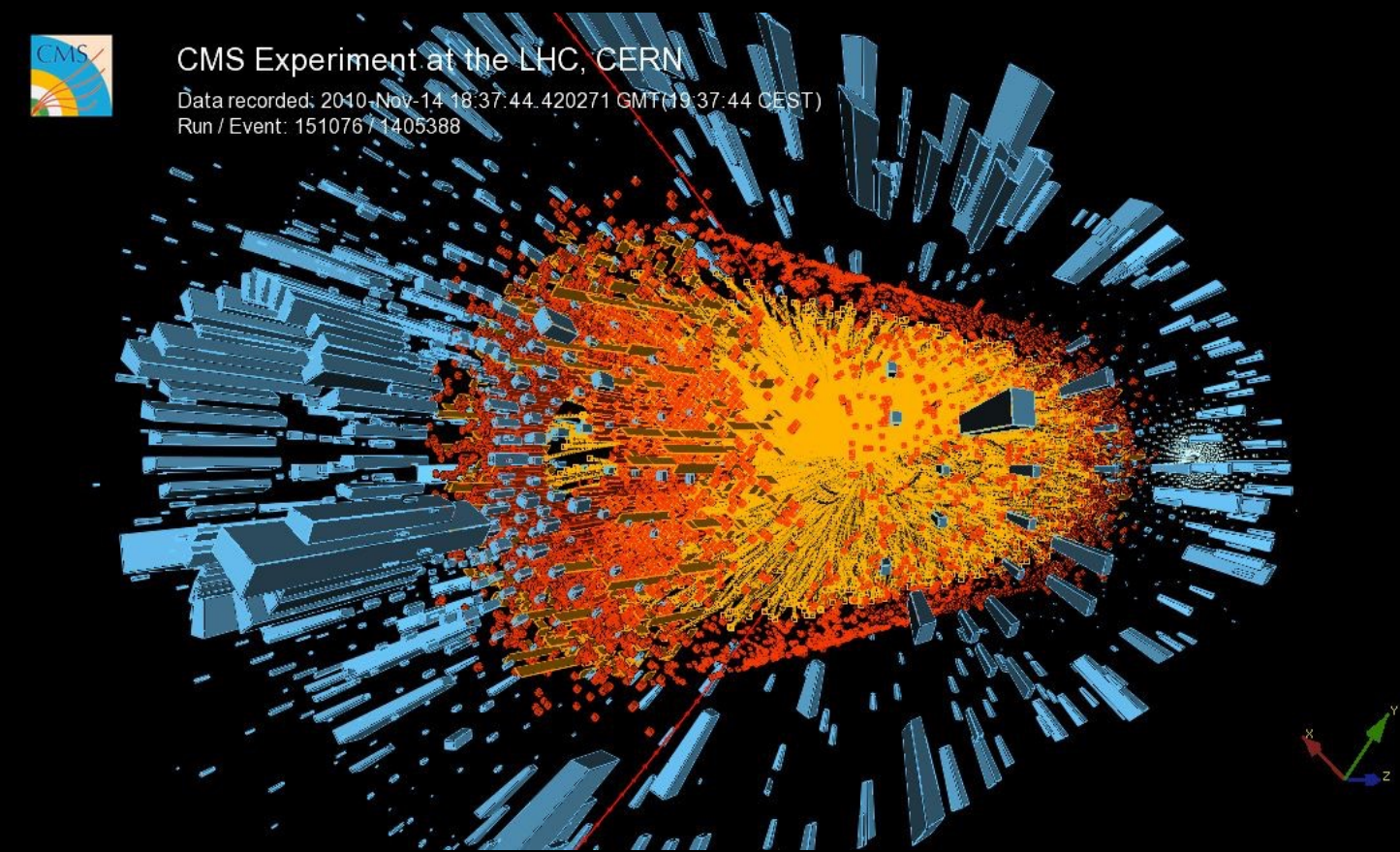


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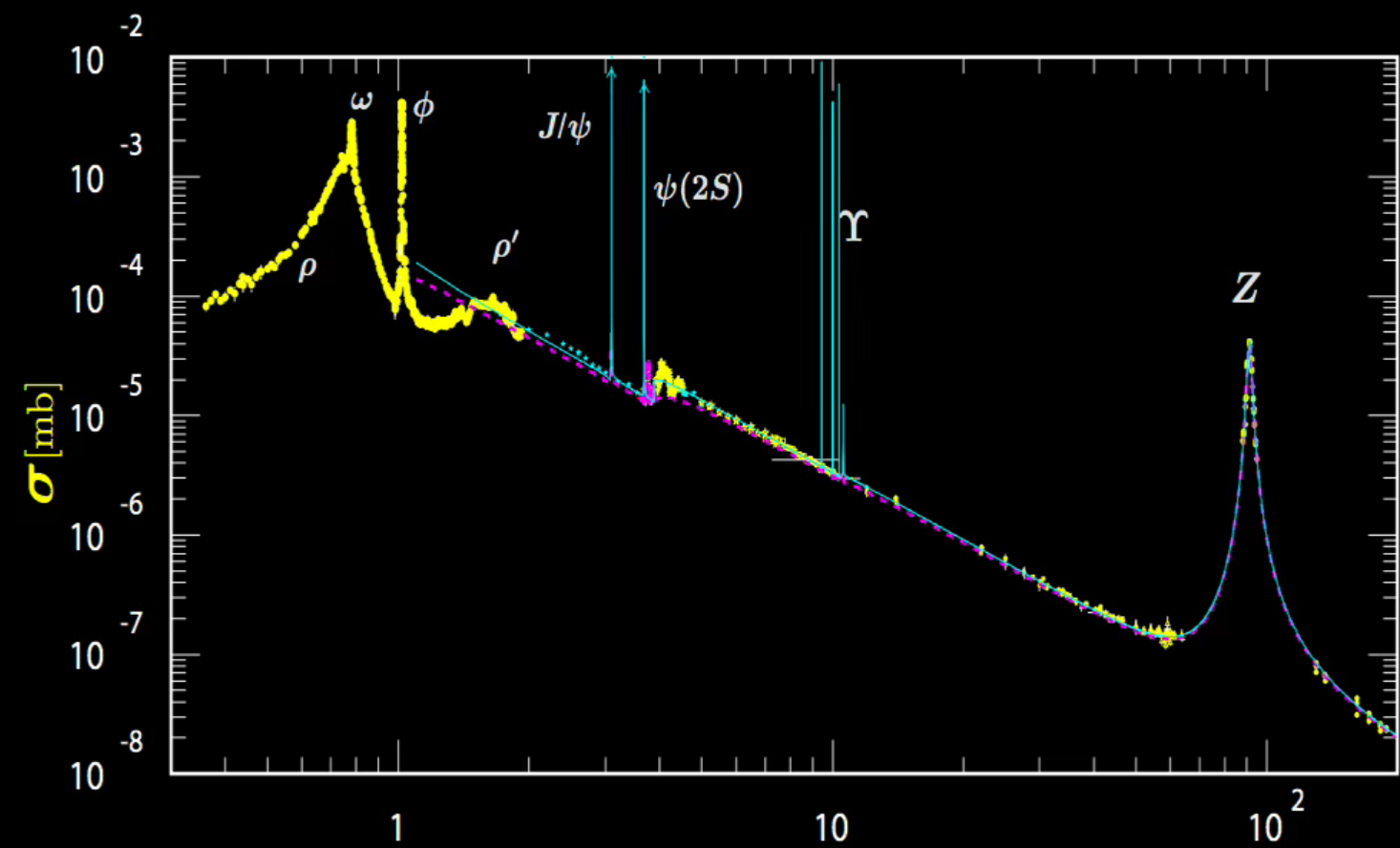
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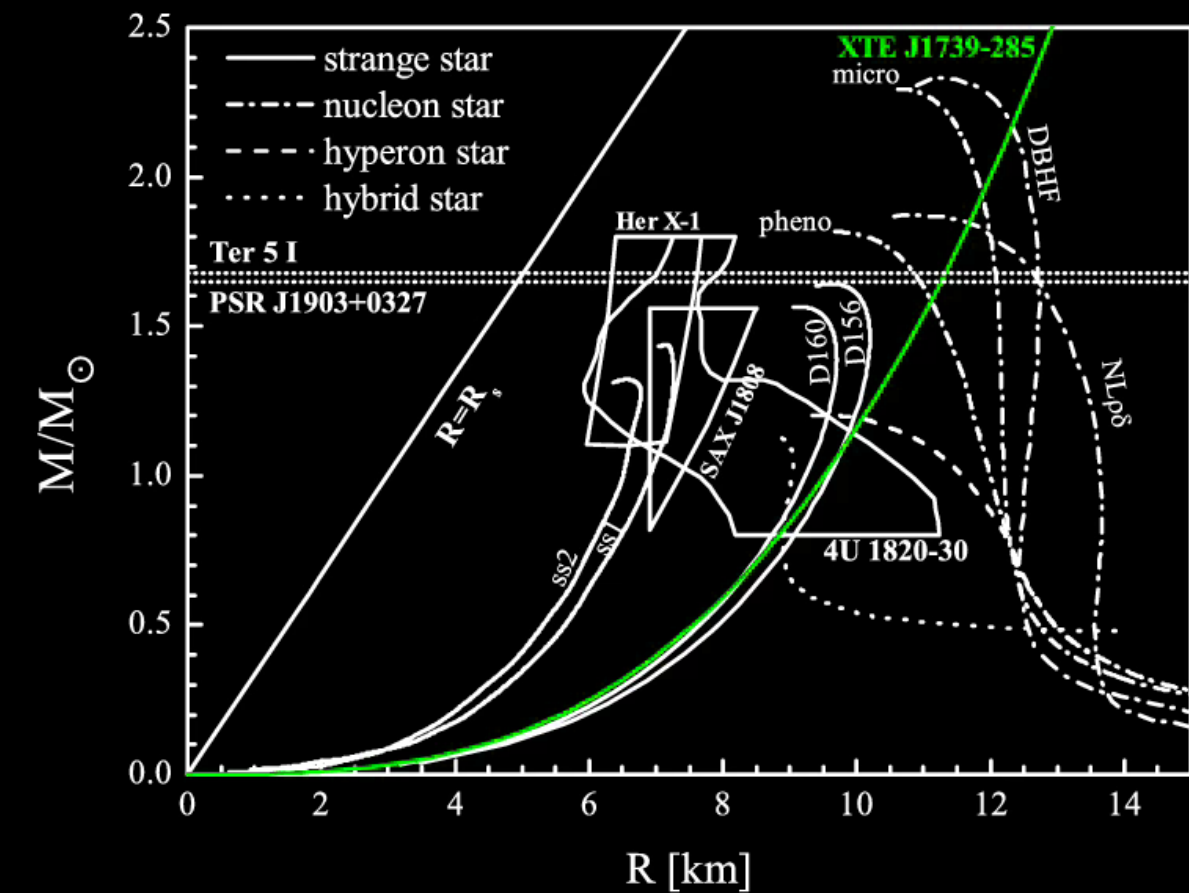
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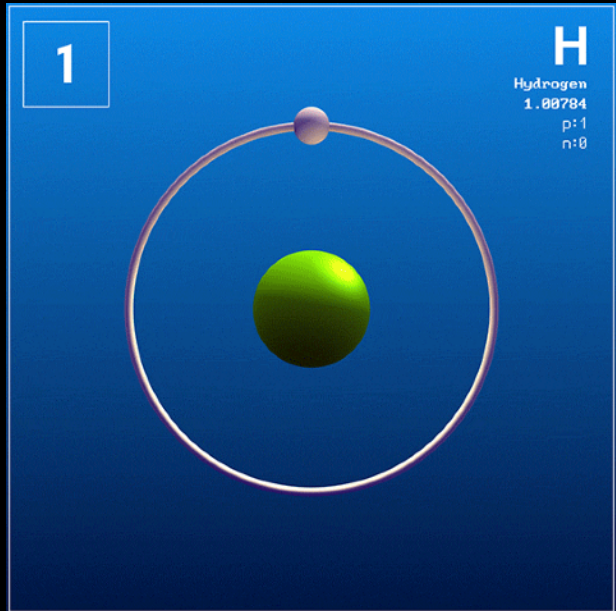
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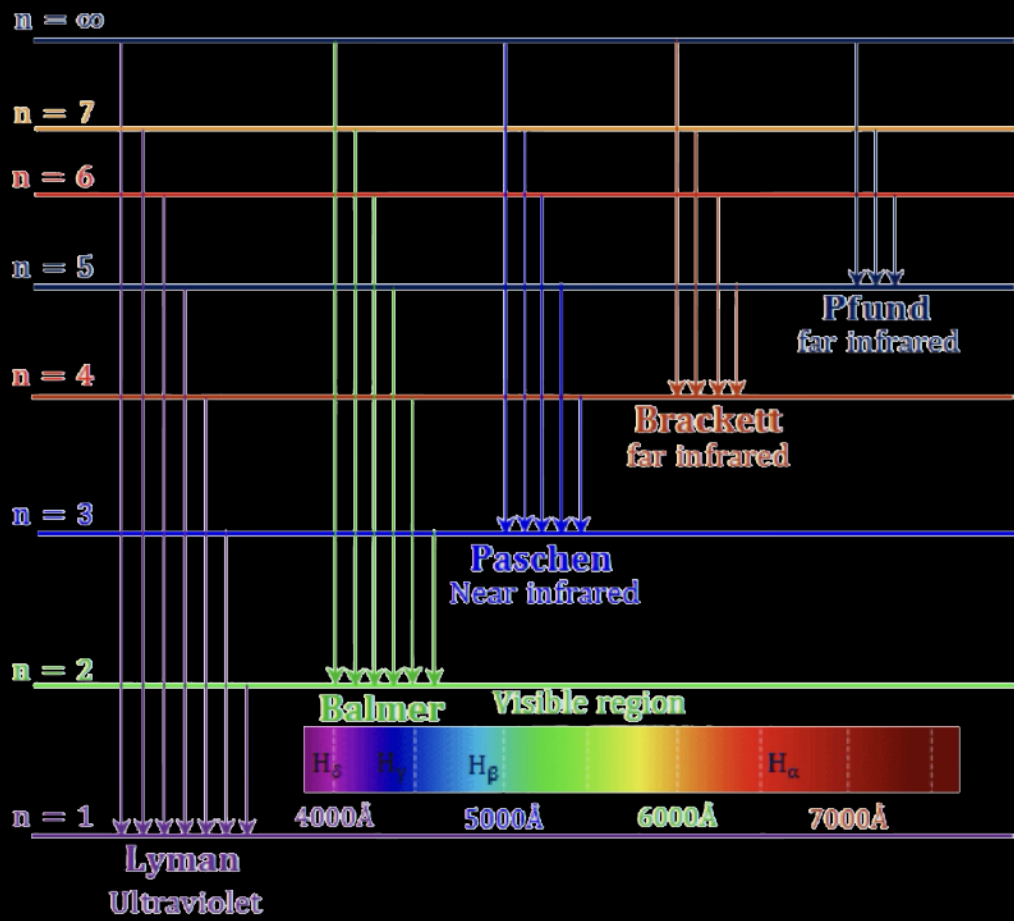
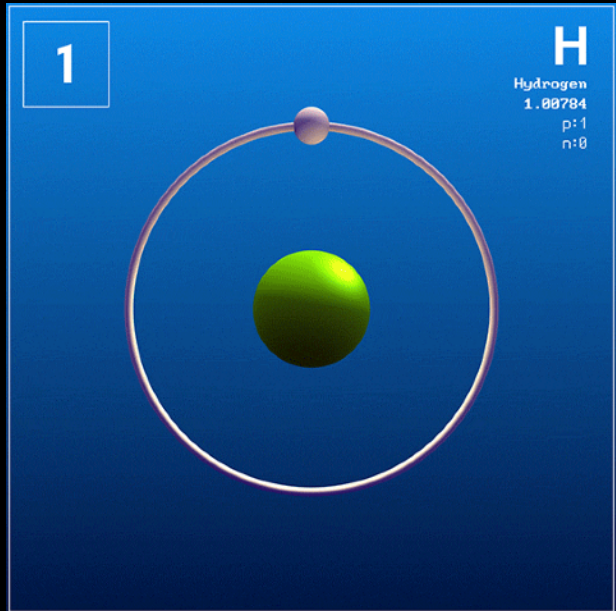
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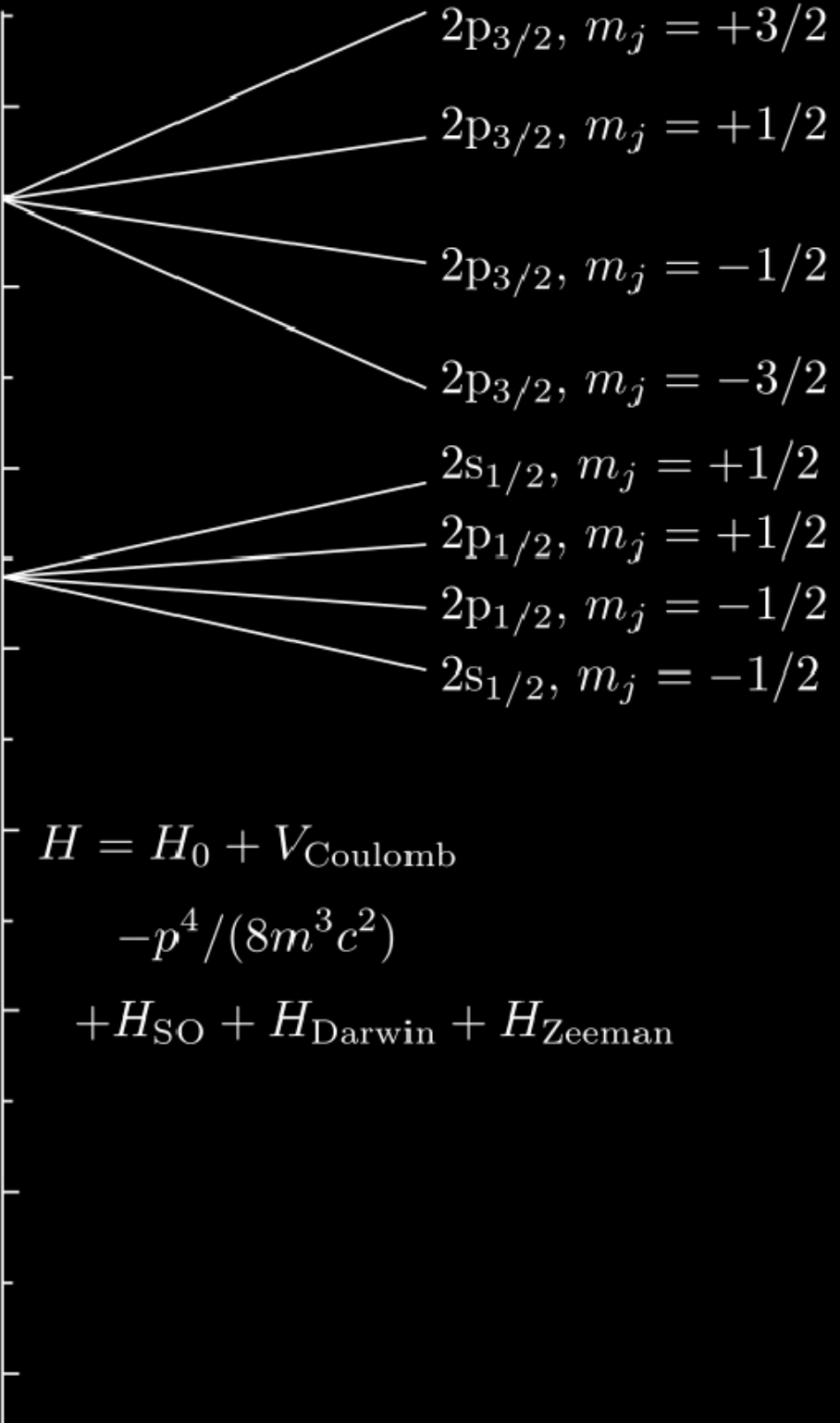
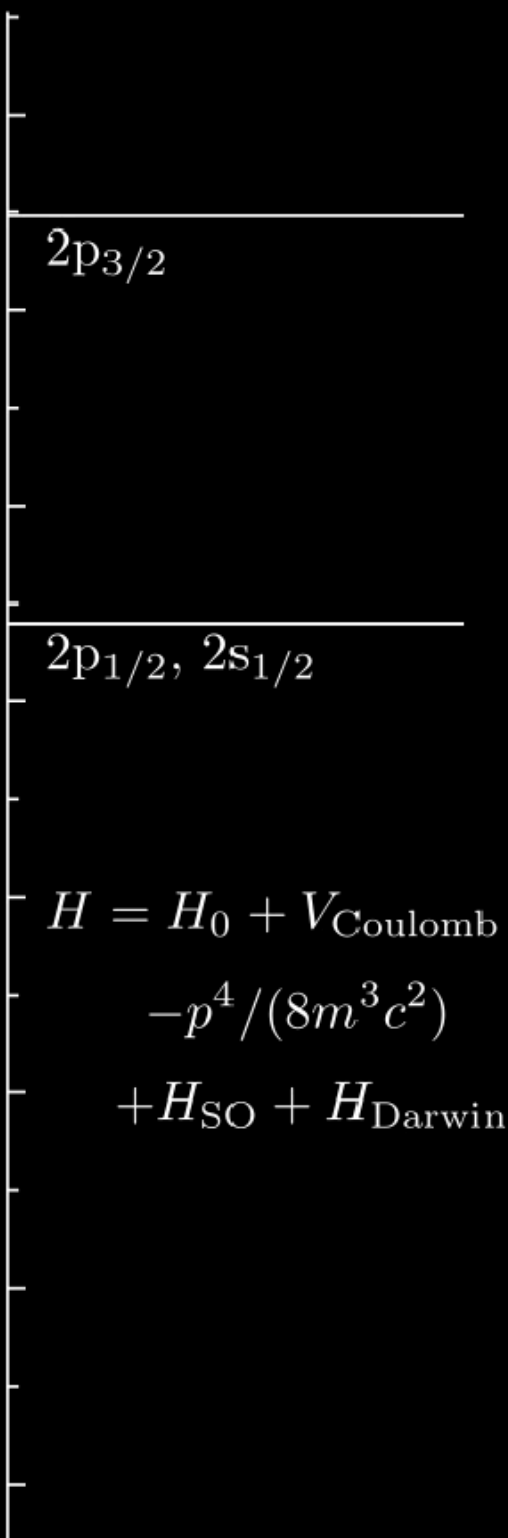
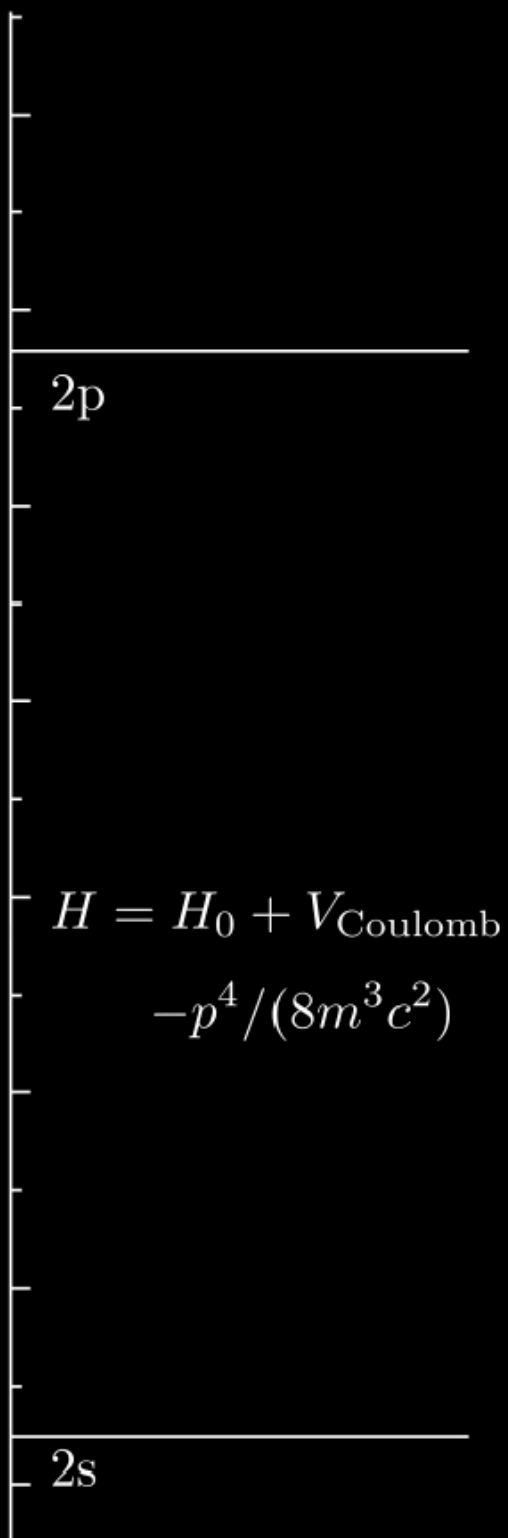
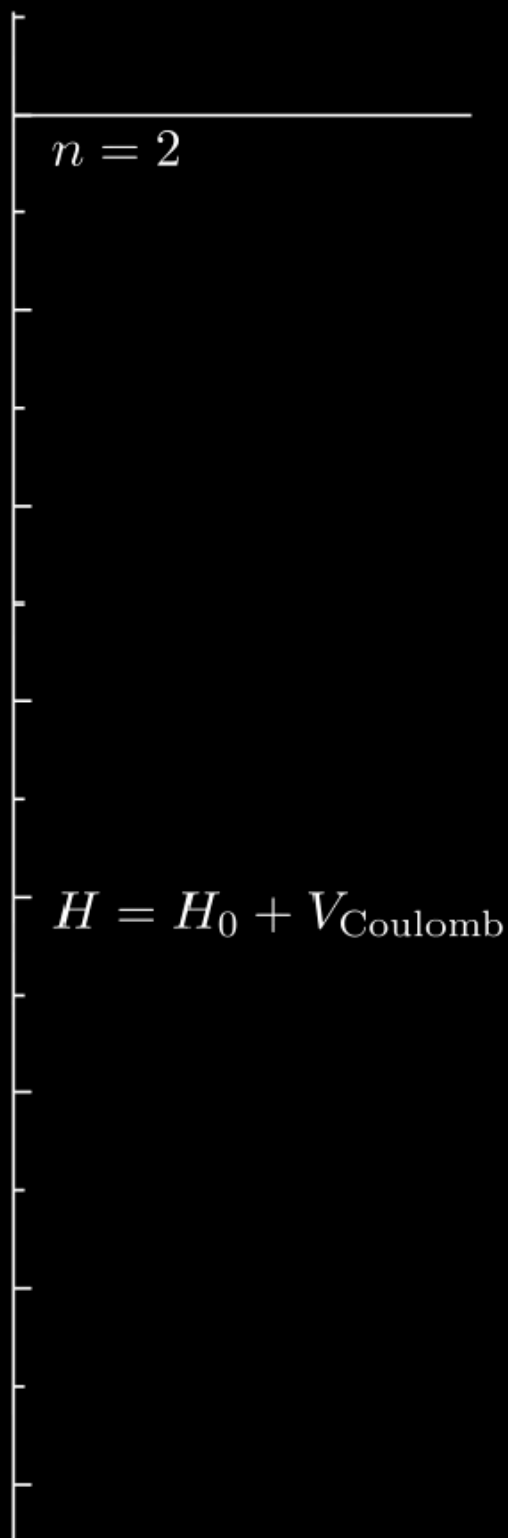
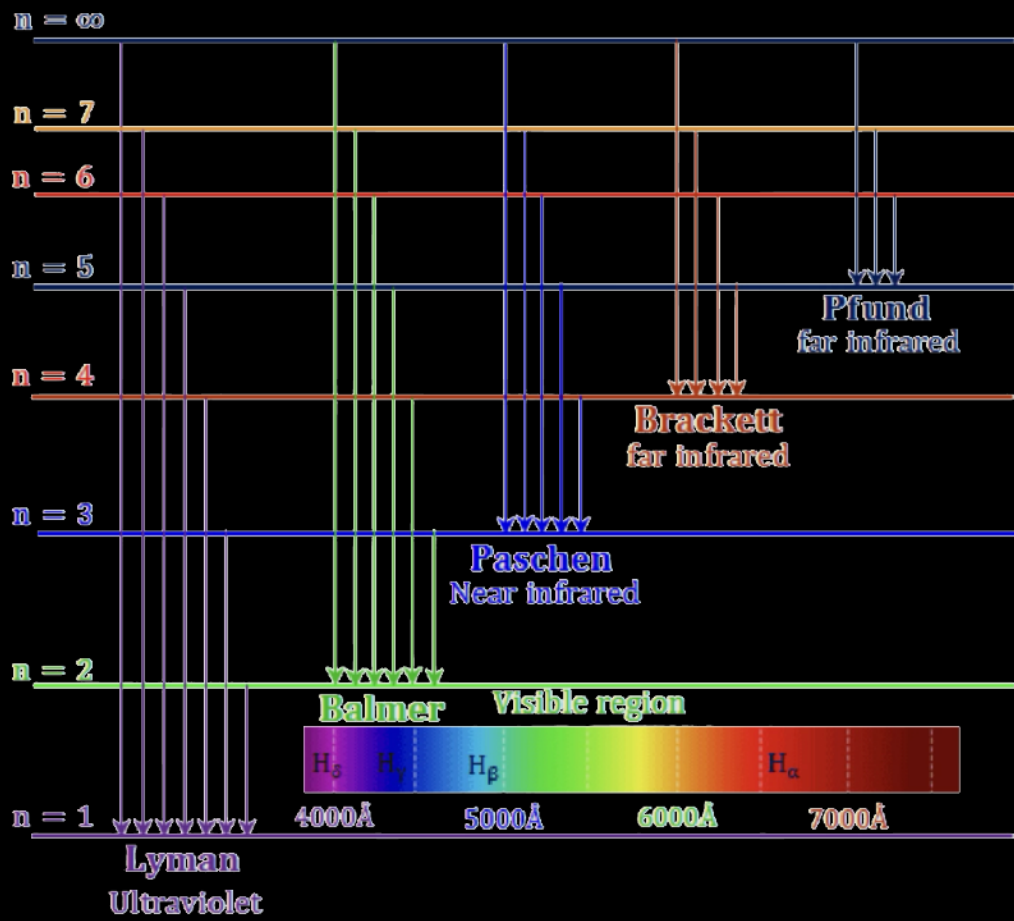
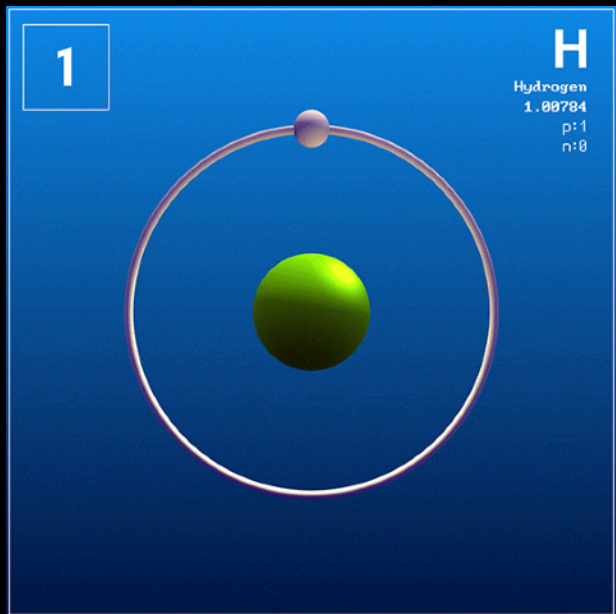
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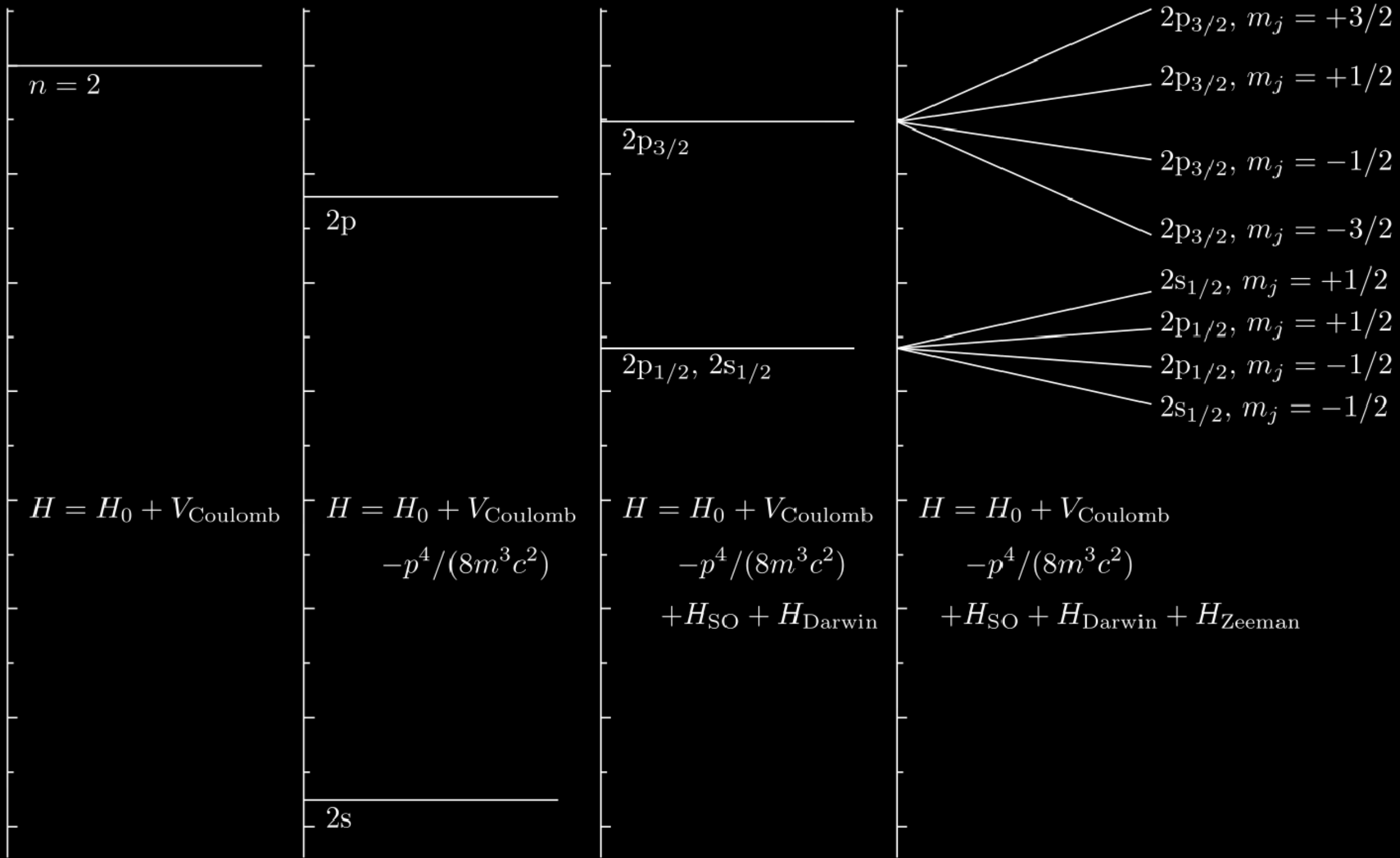
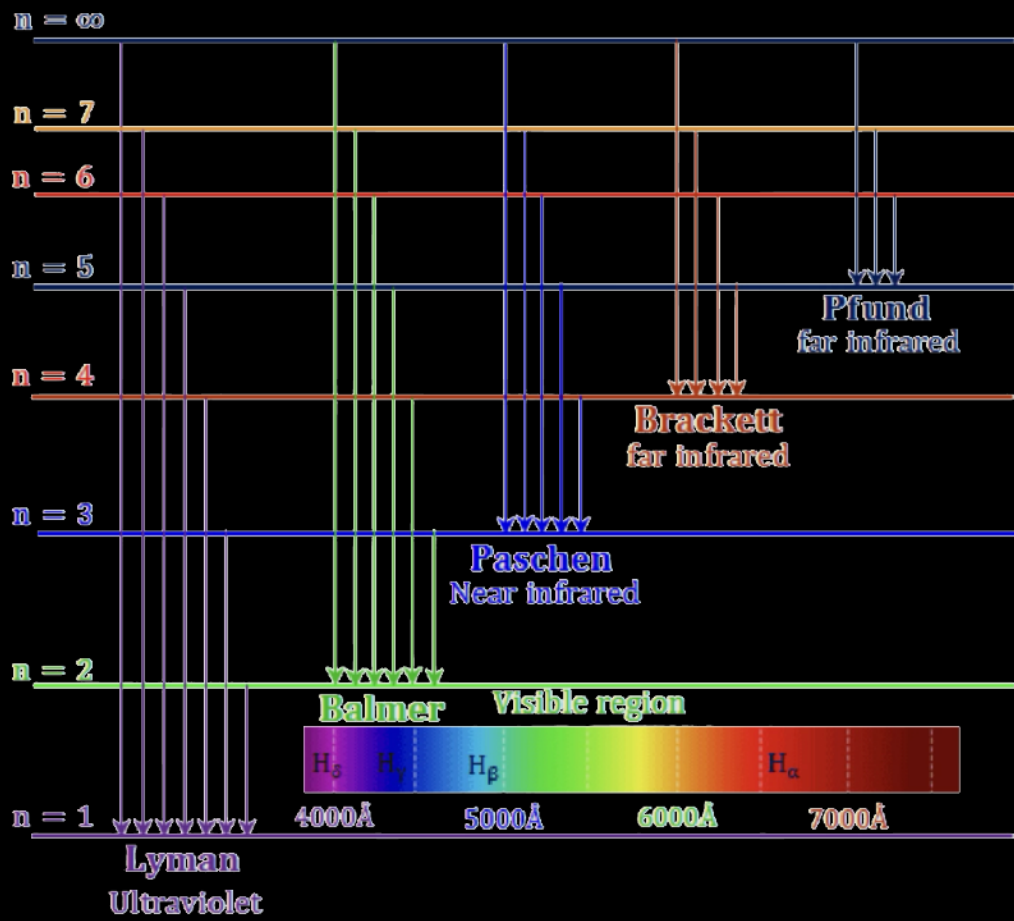
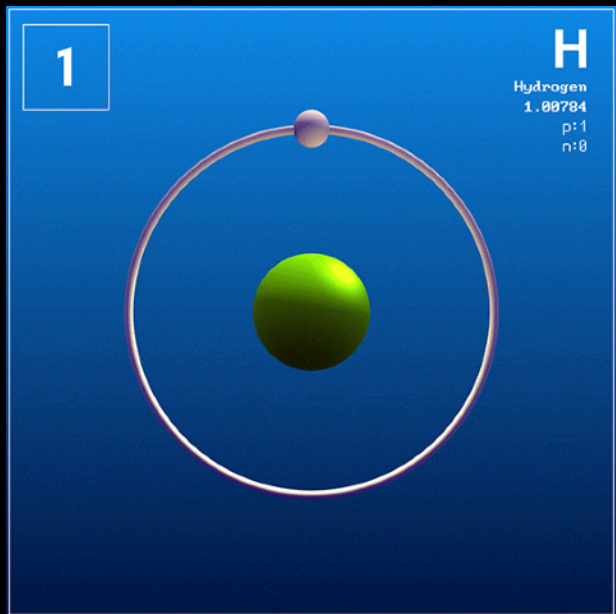
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$$H = H_{\text{kinetic}} + H_{\text{Coulomb}} + H_{\text{spin-orbit}} + H_{\text{relativistic}} + H_{\text{vacuum}}$$

Framework

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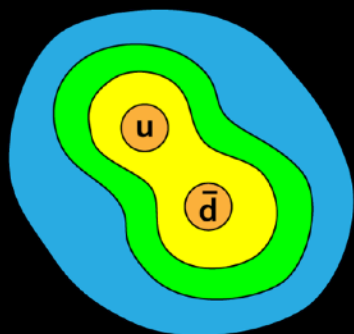
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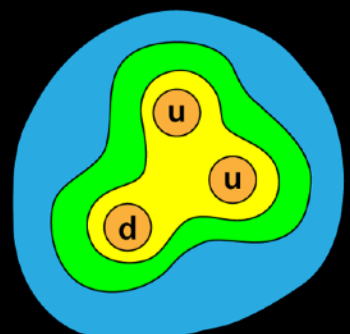
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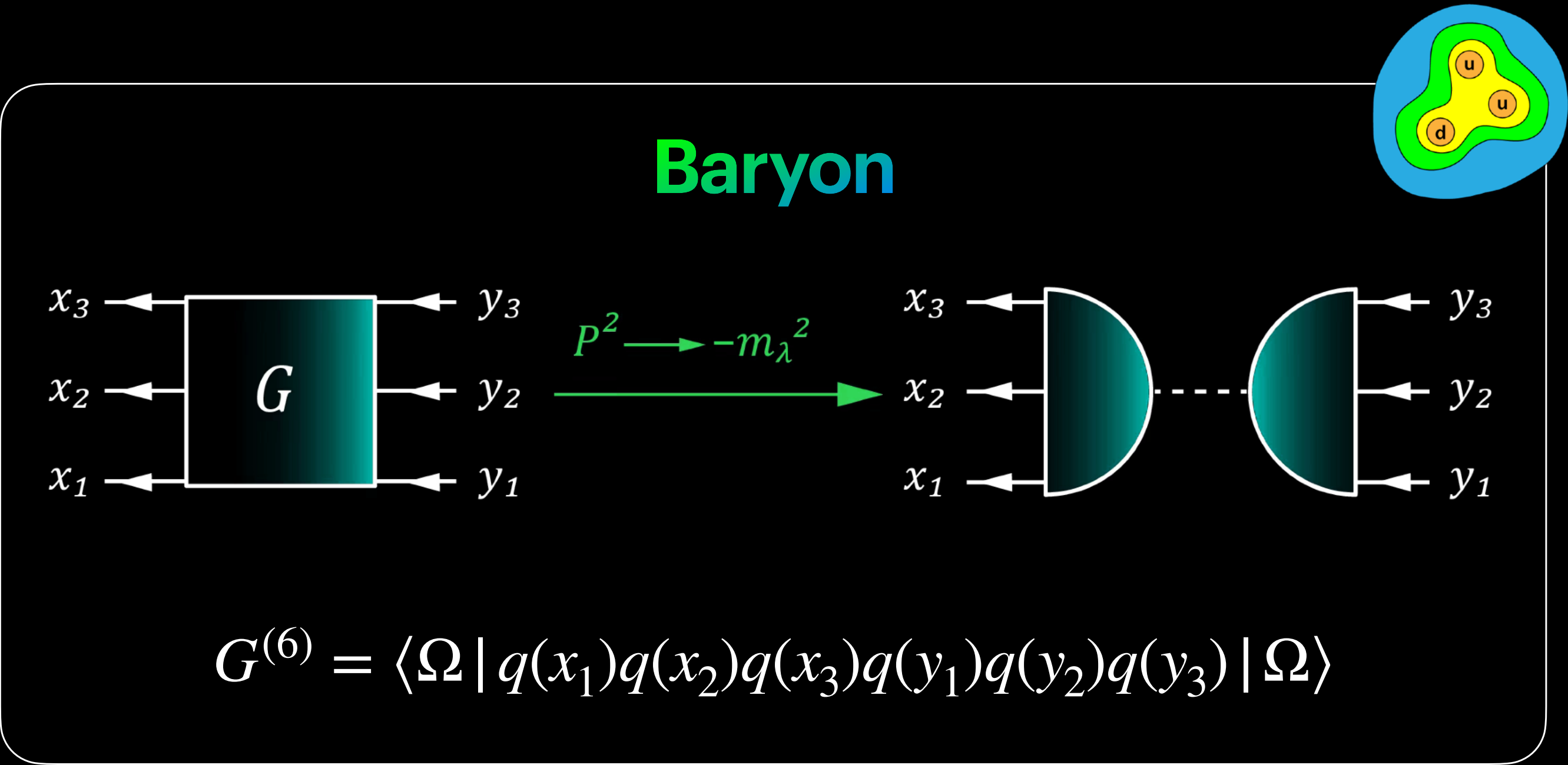
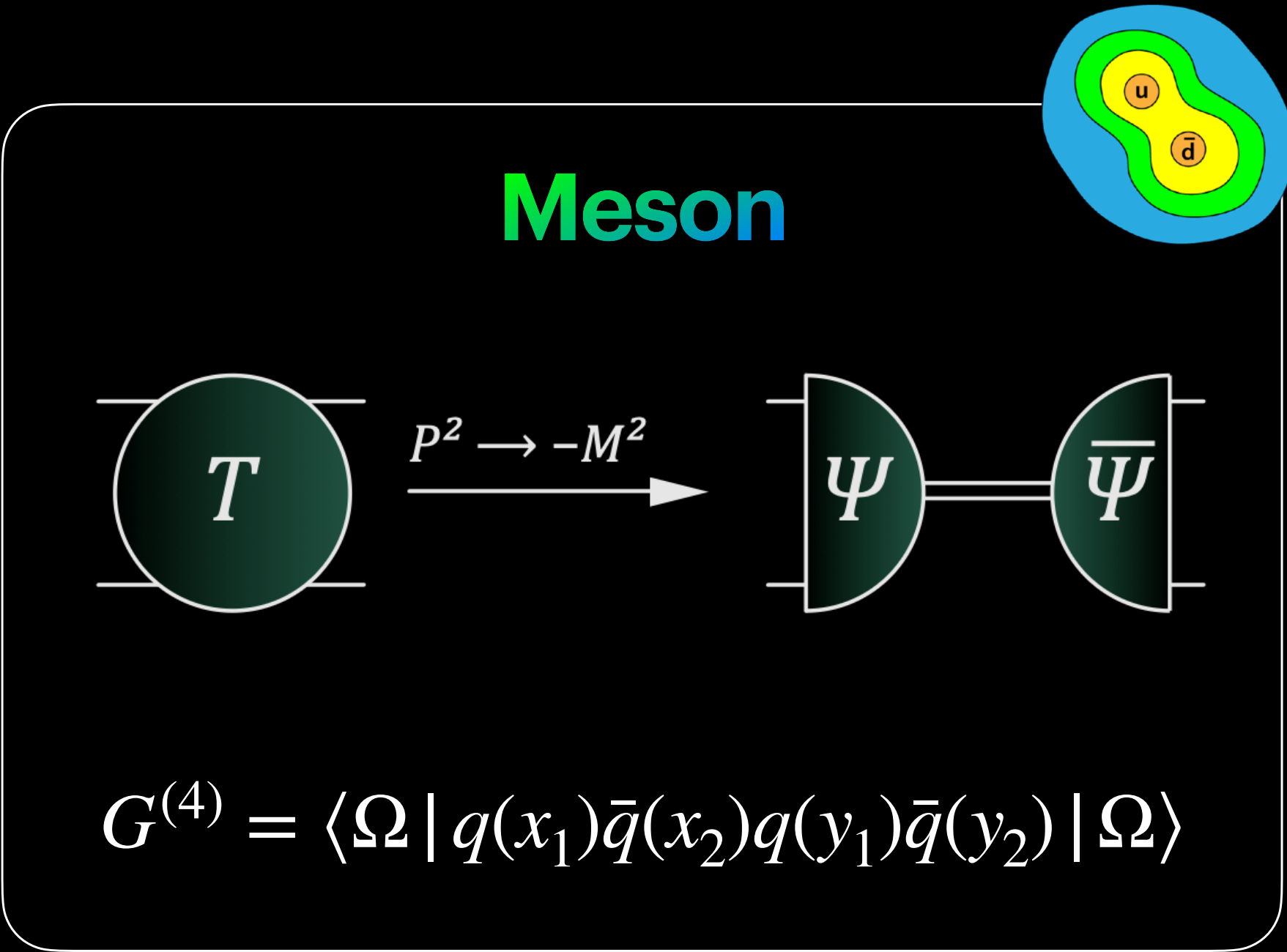
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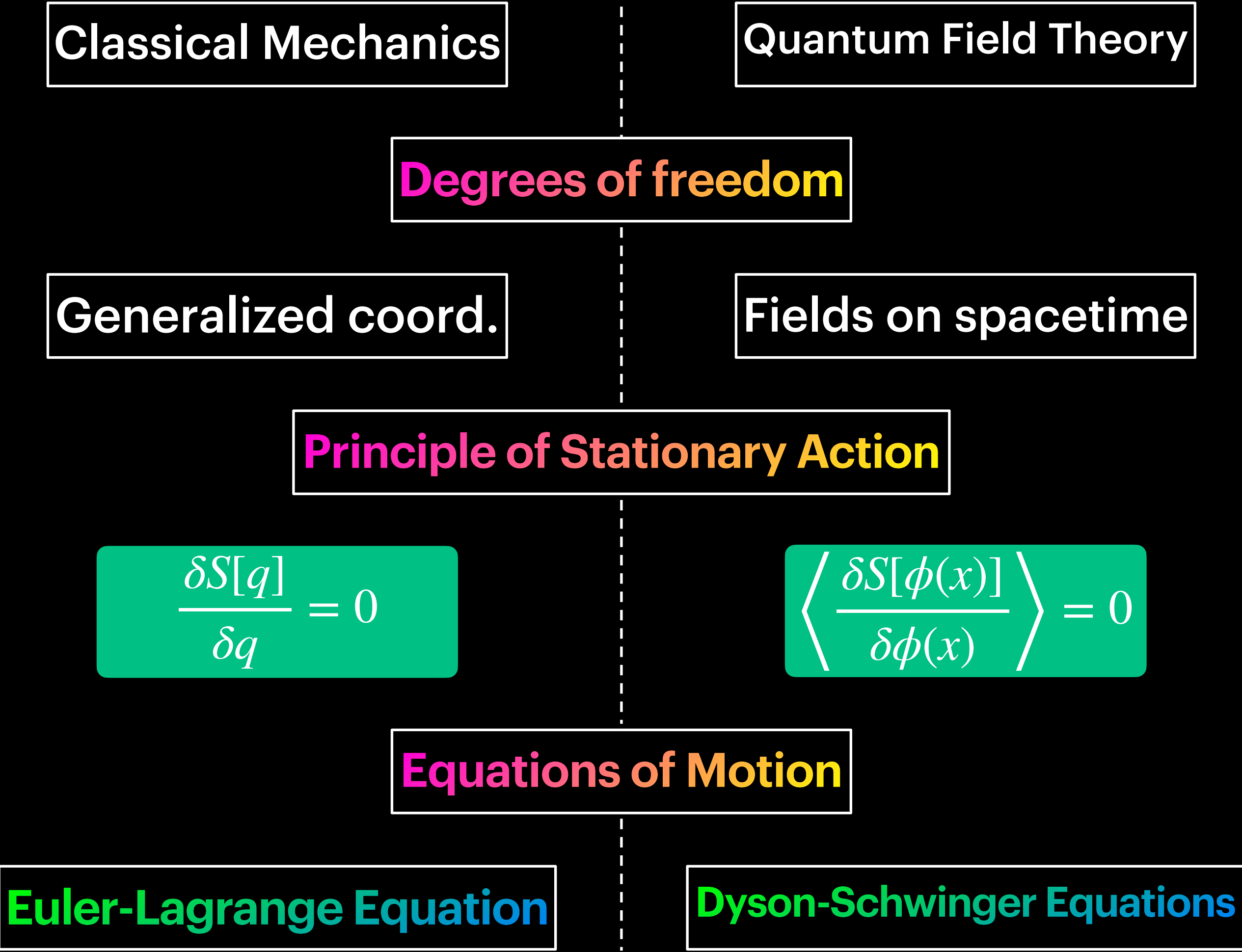
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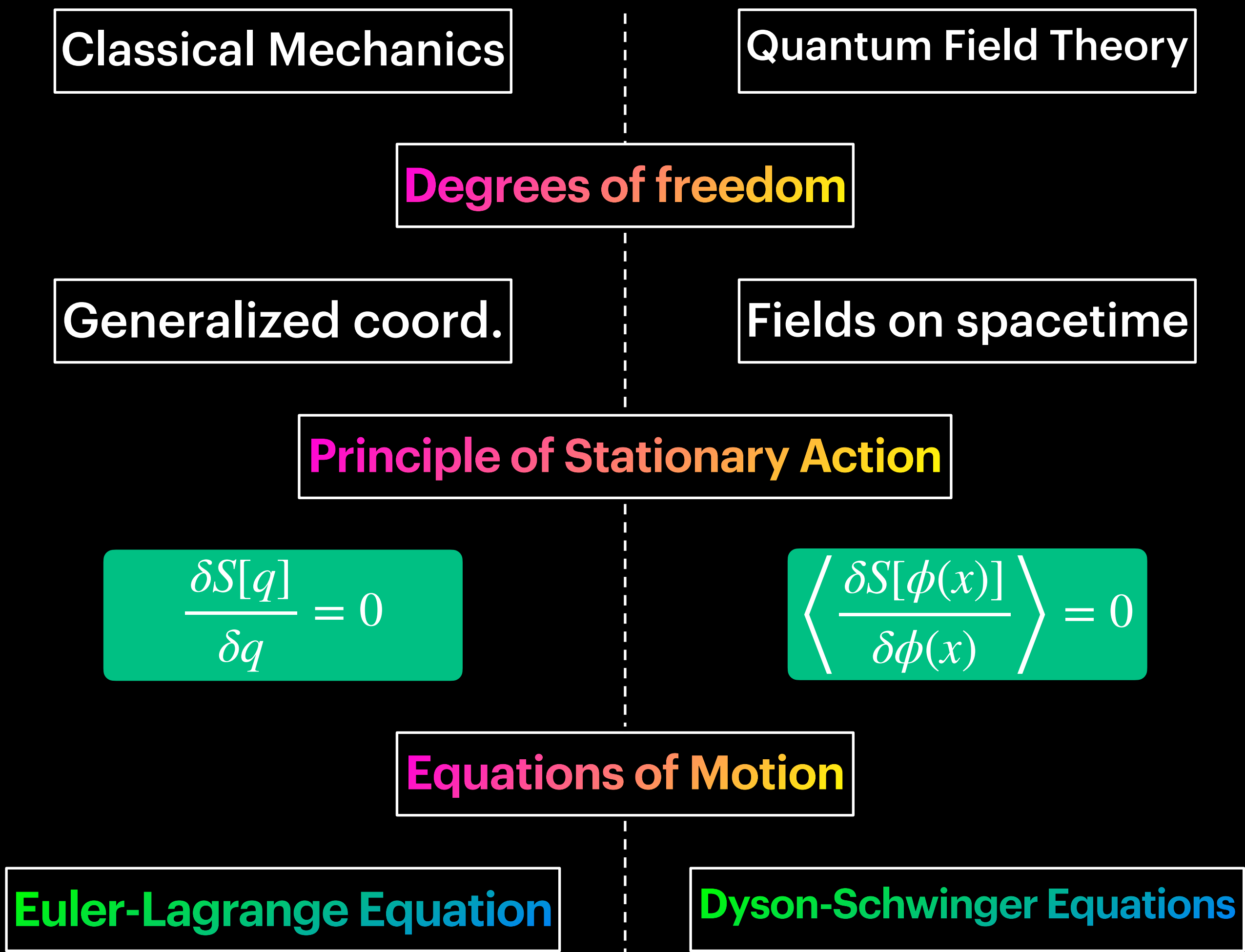
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Ghost propagator:

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Ghost-gluon vertex:

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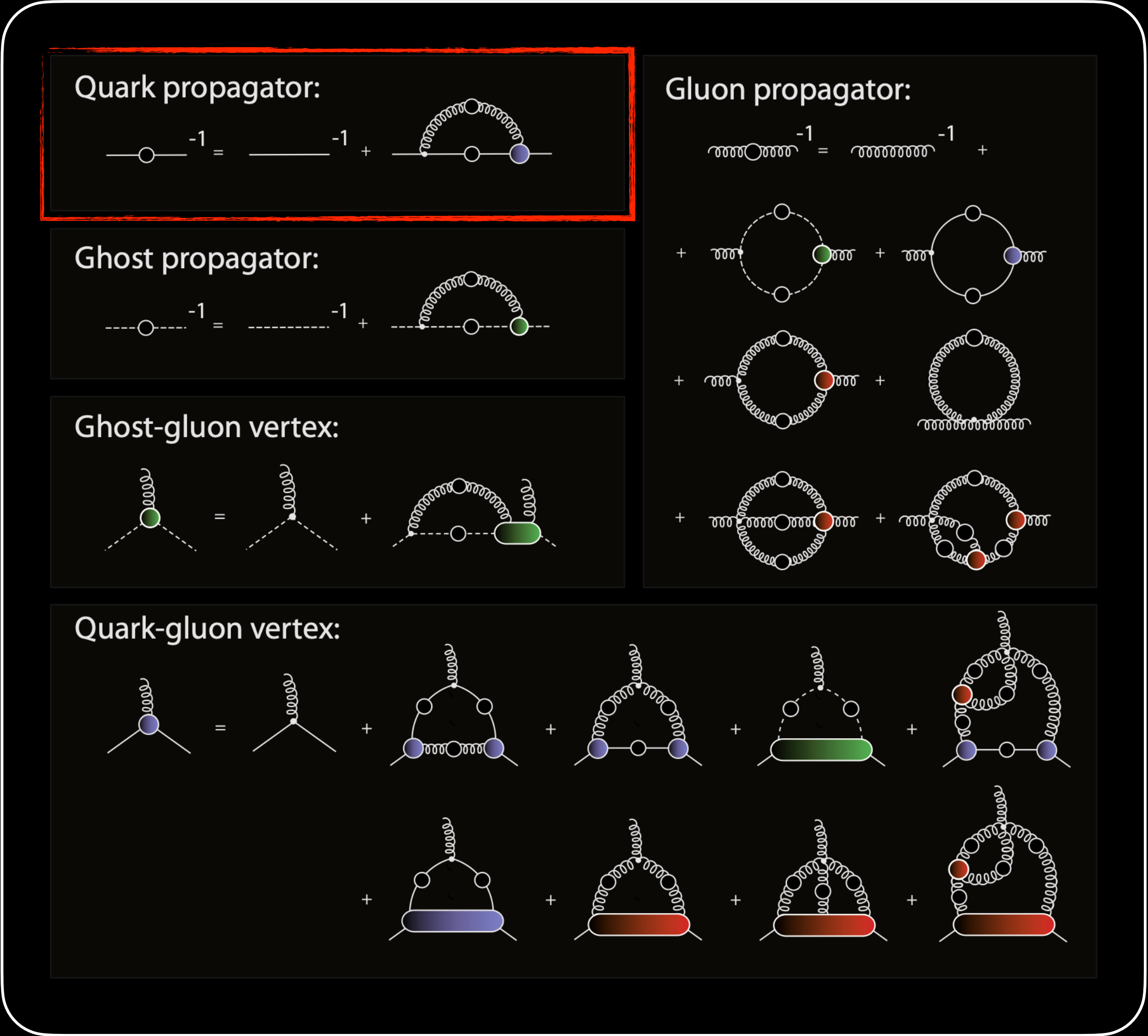
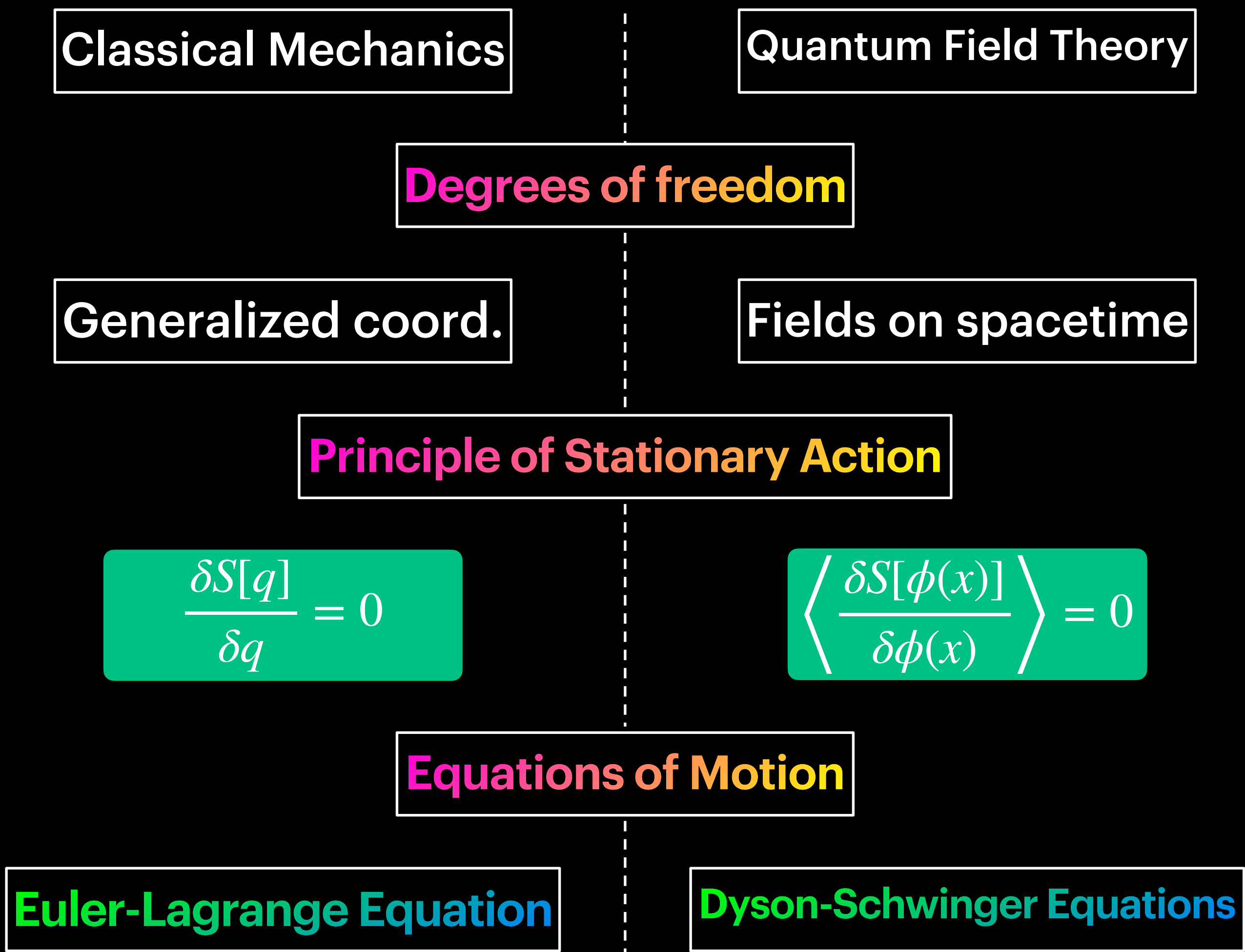
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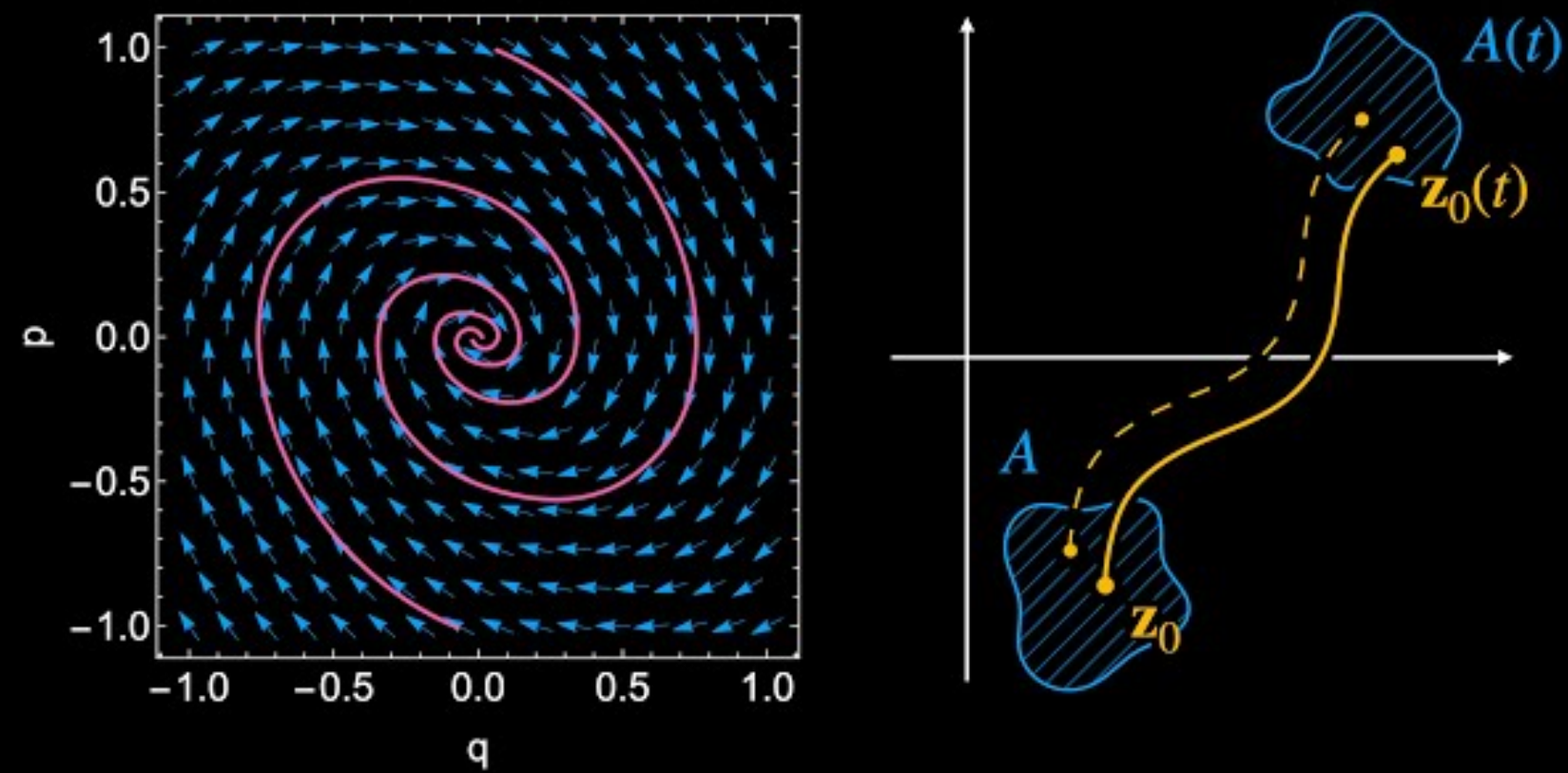
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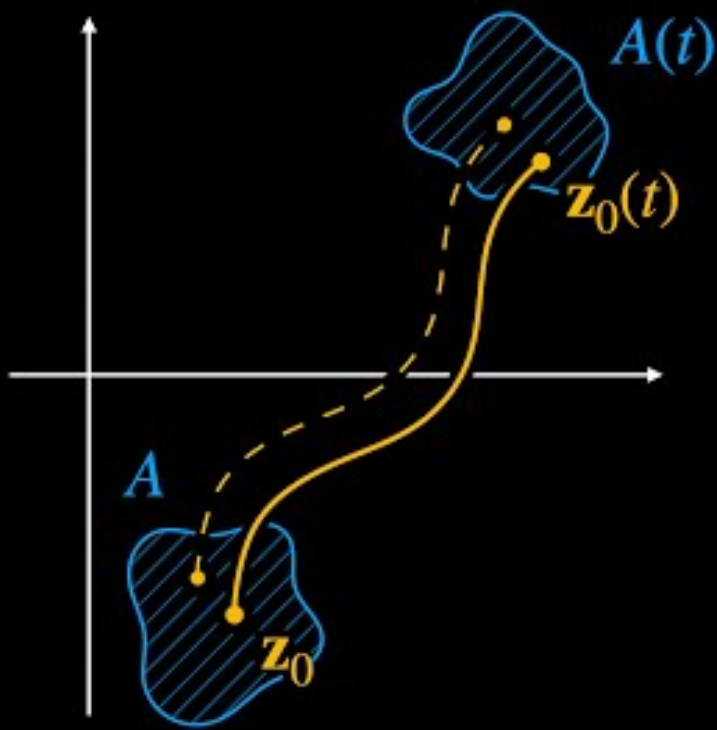
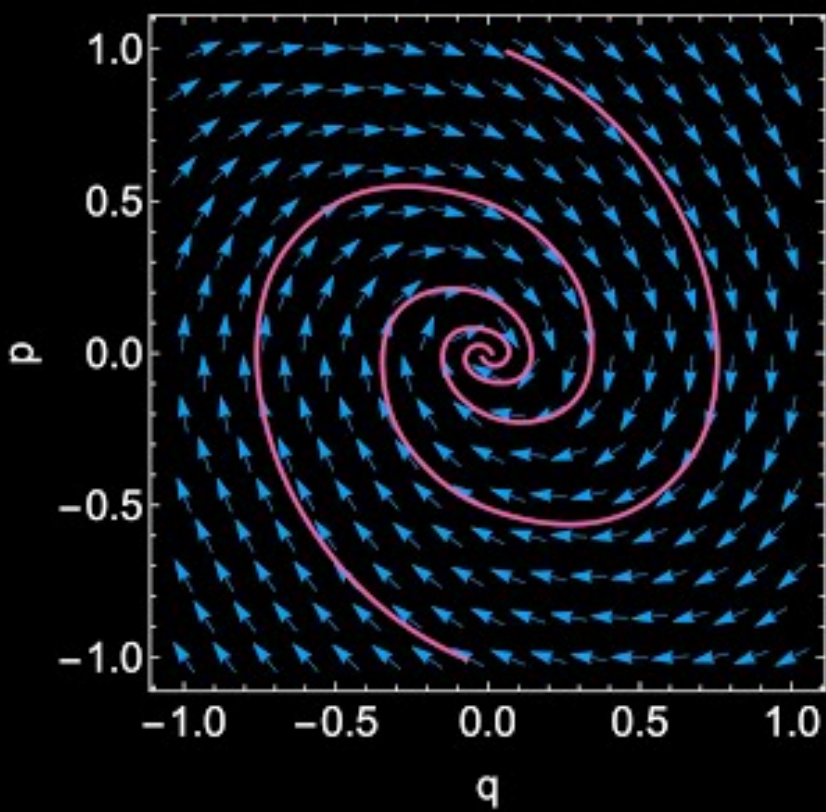
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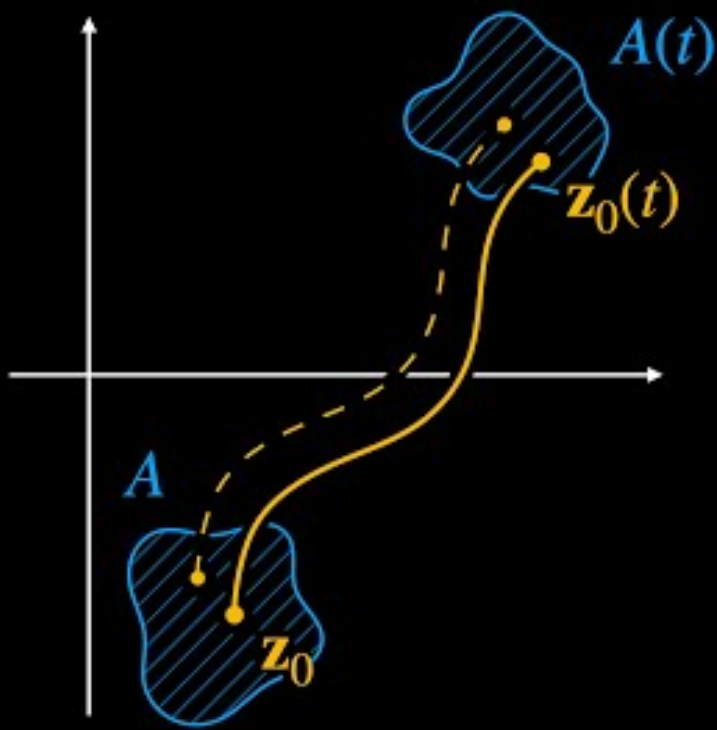
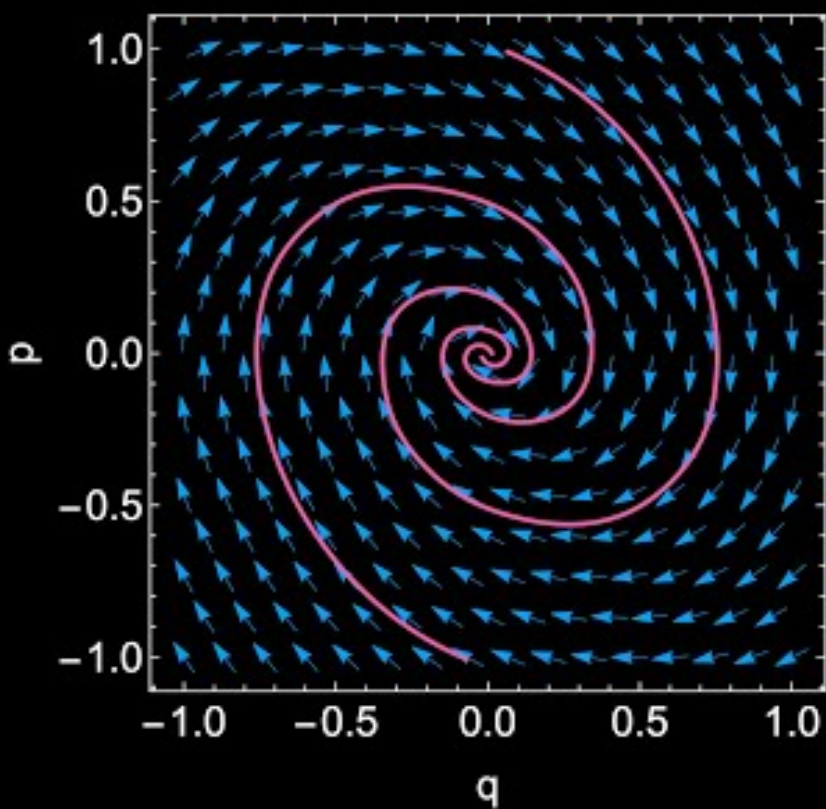
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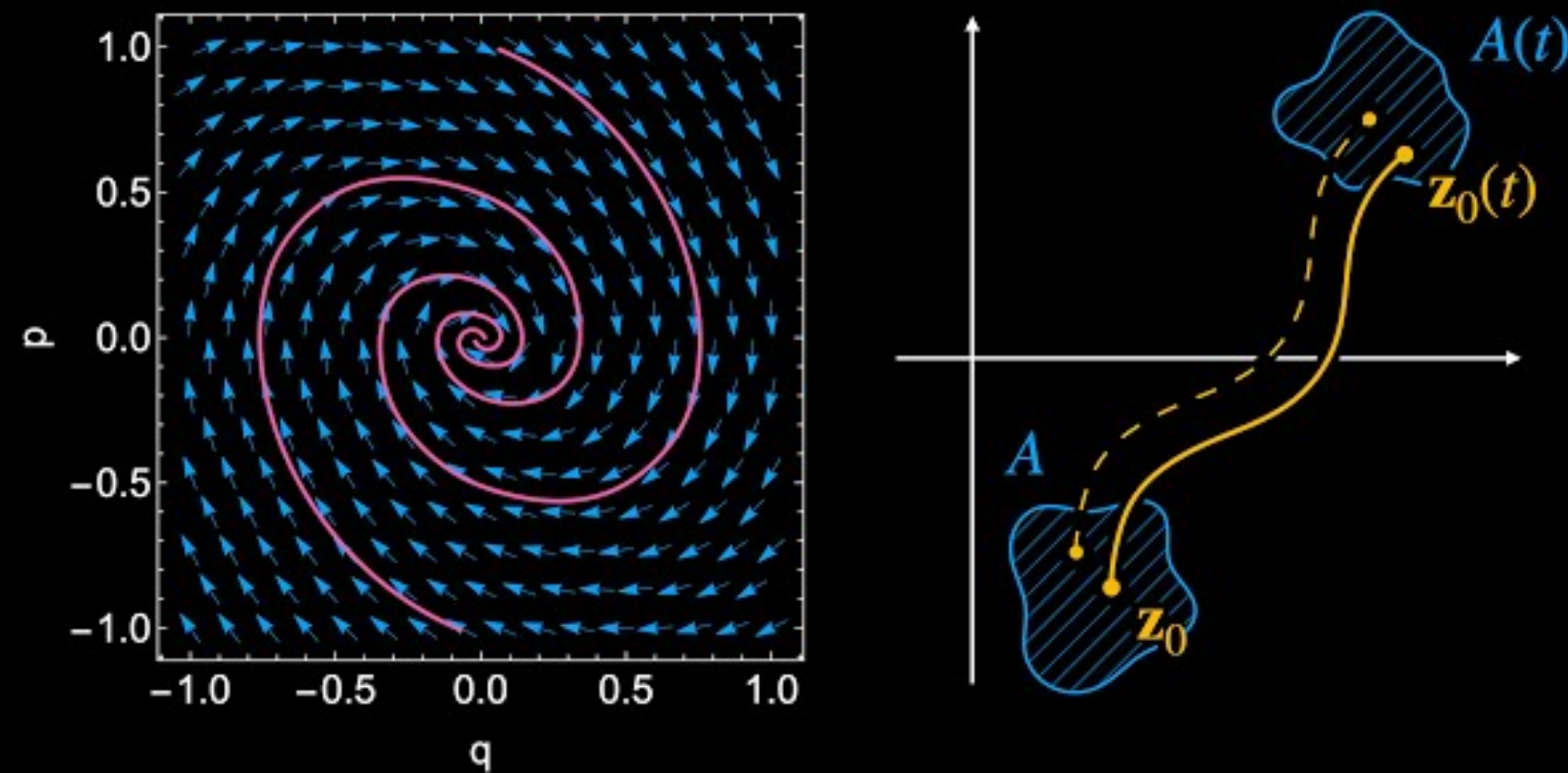
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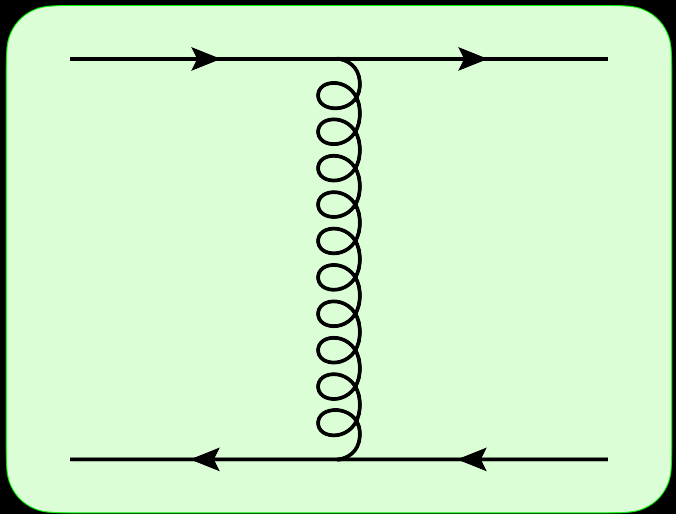
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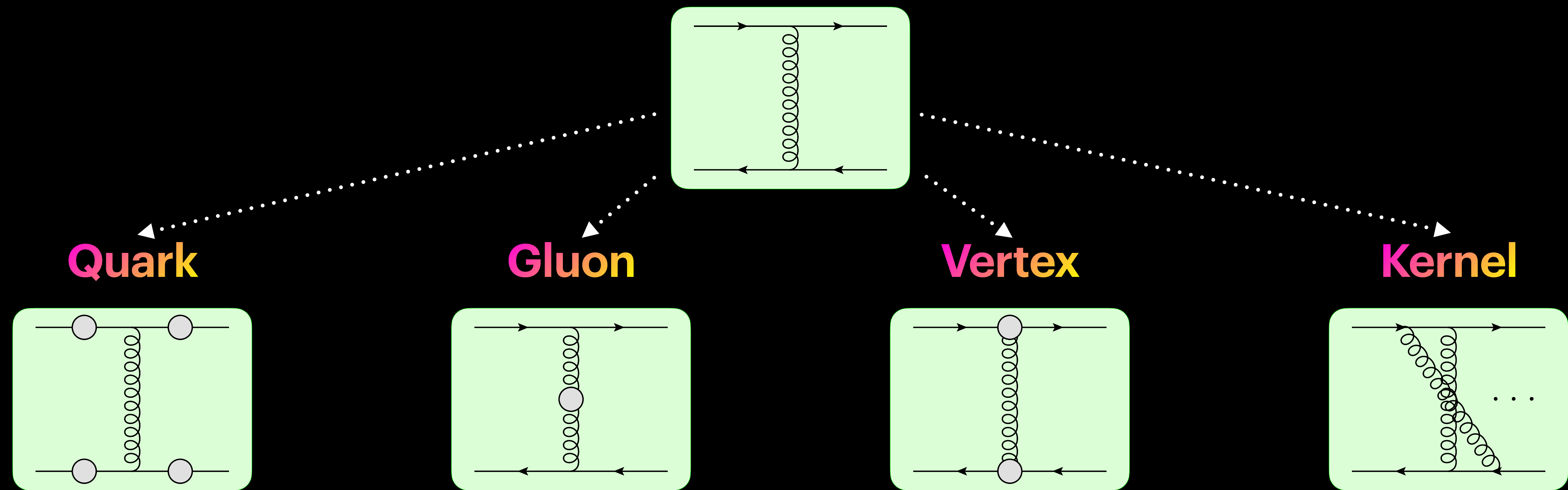
Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} = \{H_1, \rho_1\} + \int [\rho_1(\mathbf{p}'_1) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}'_2) - \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_1) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_2)] N \nu d\sigma d^3 \mathbf{p}_2$$

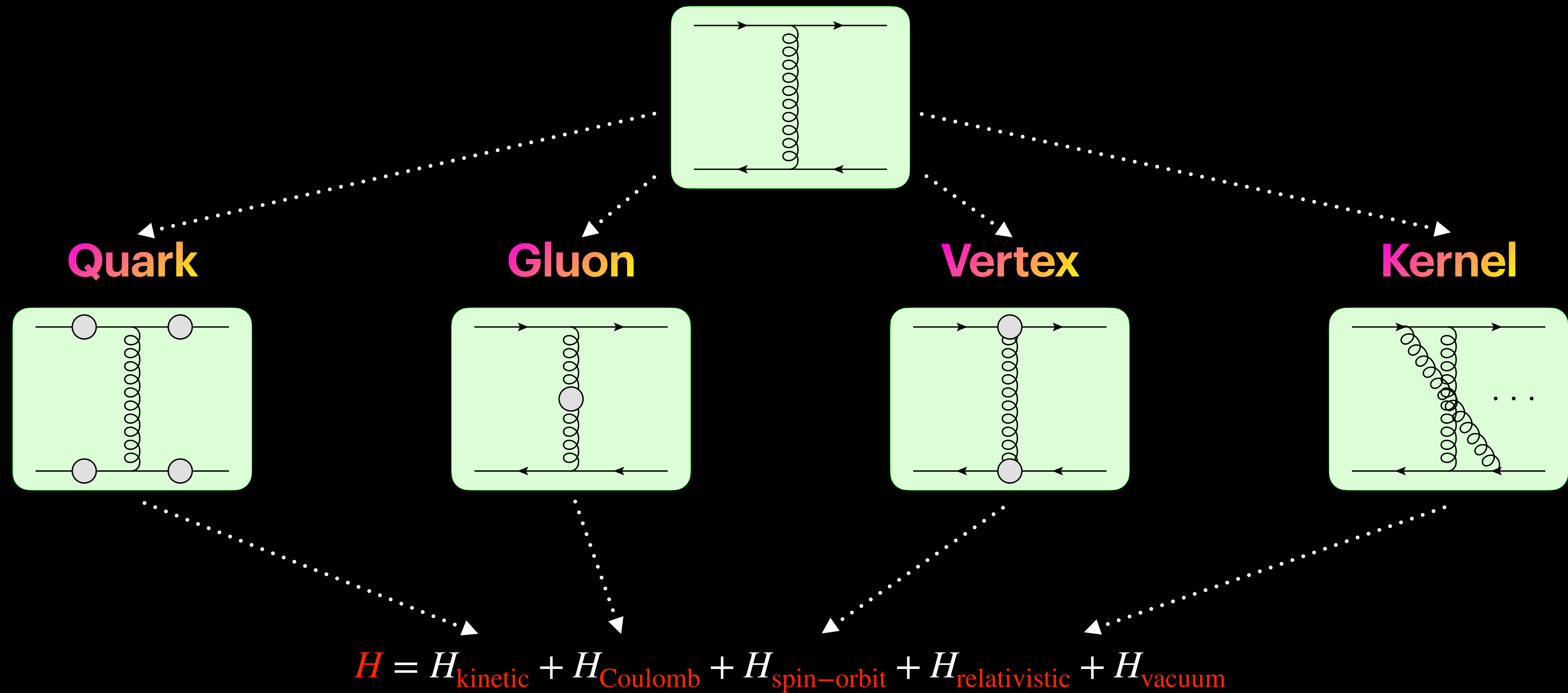
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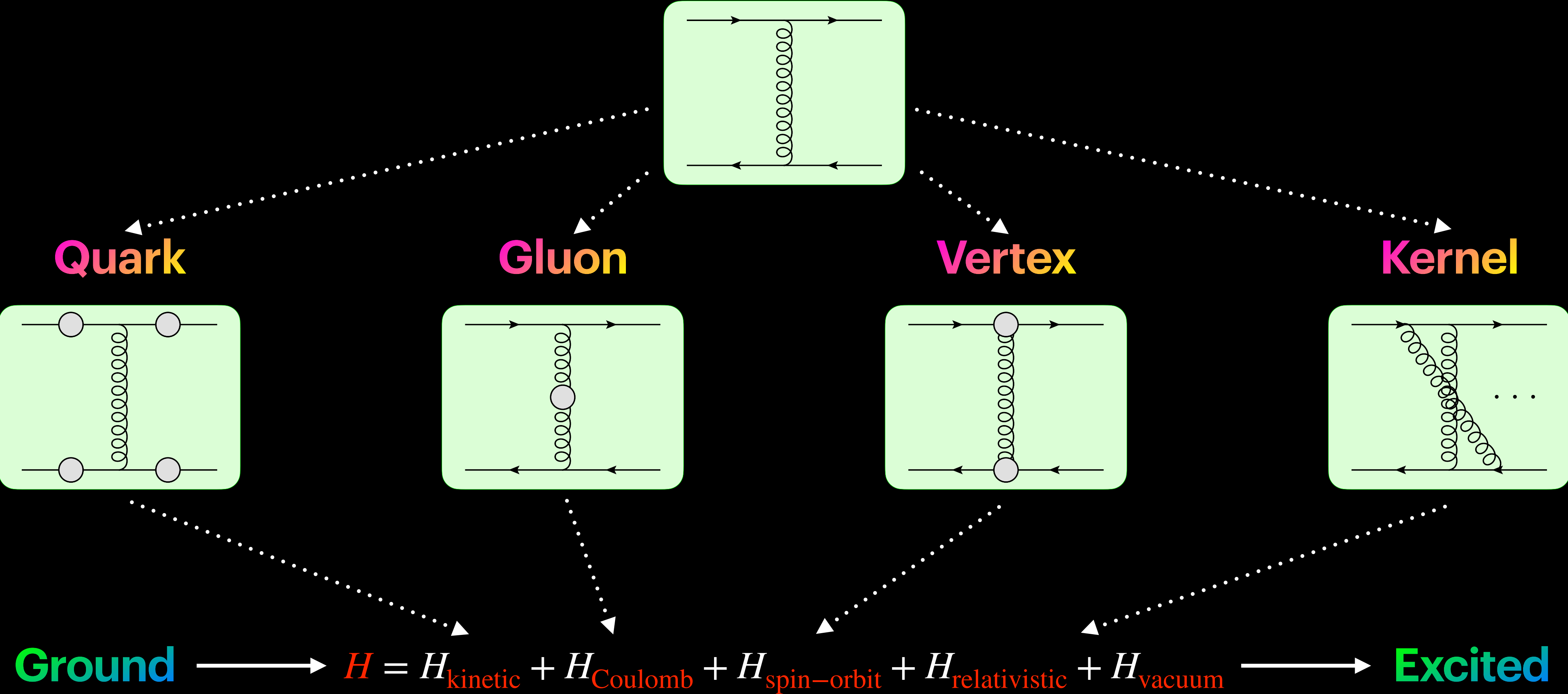
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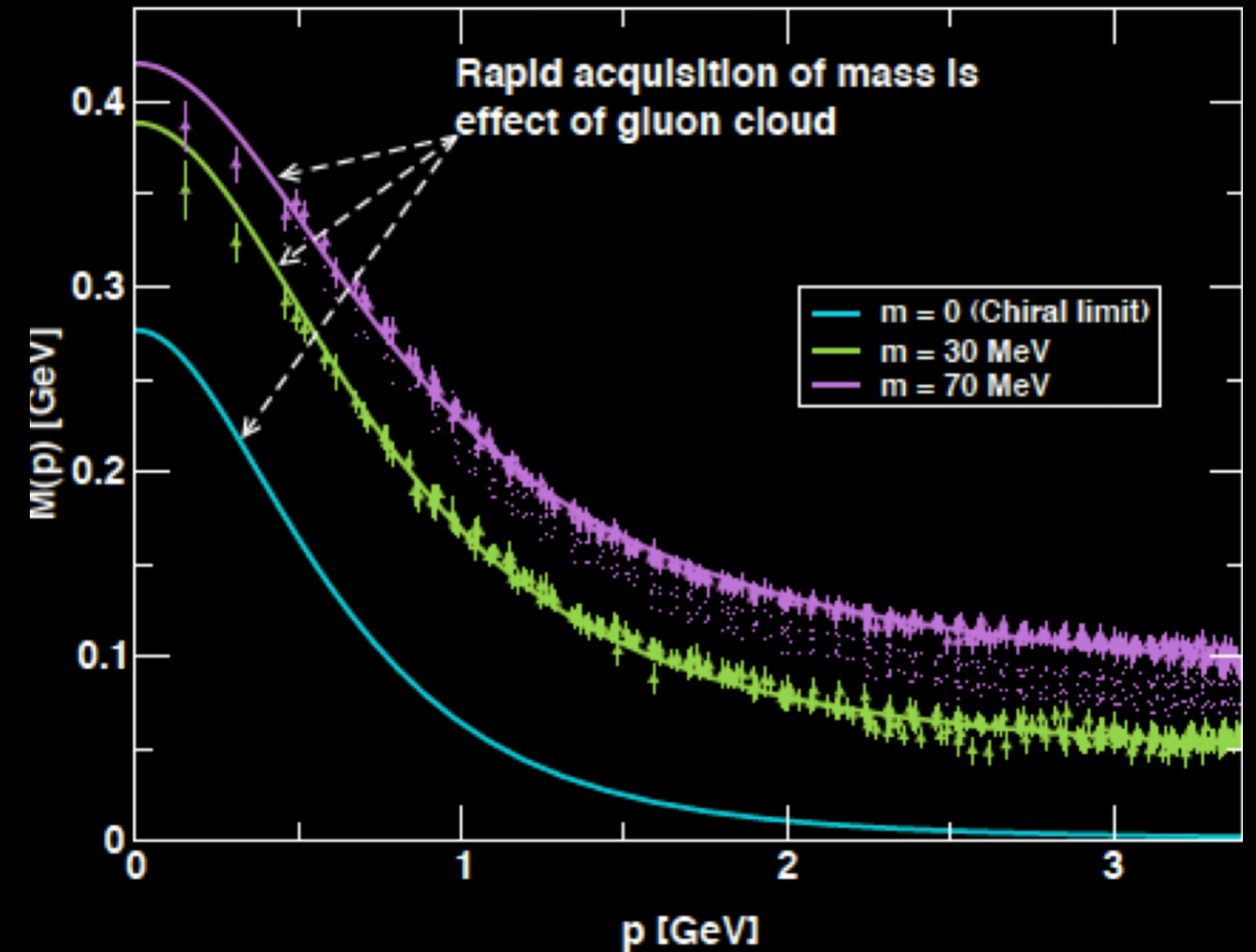
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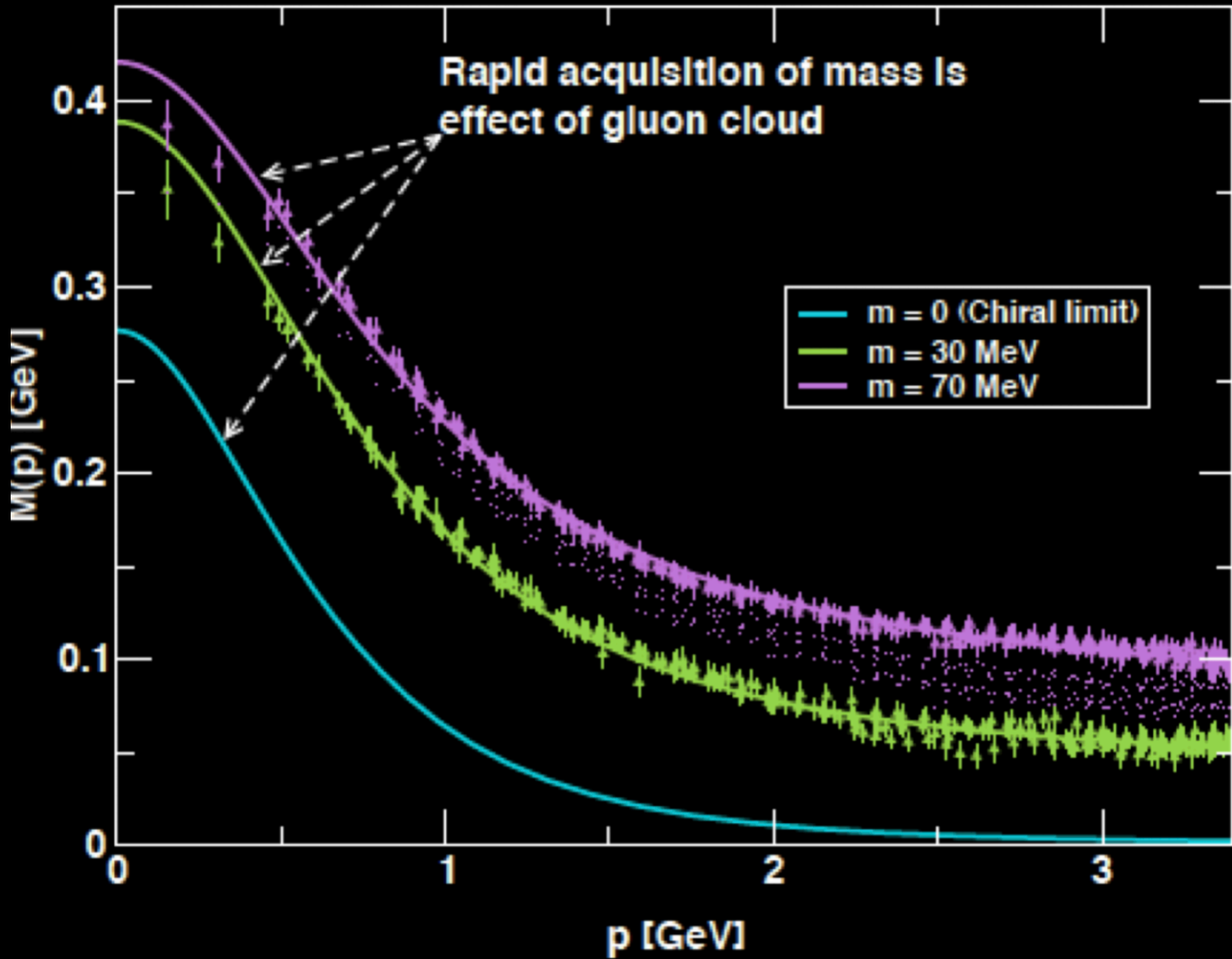
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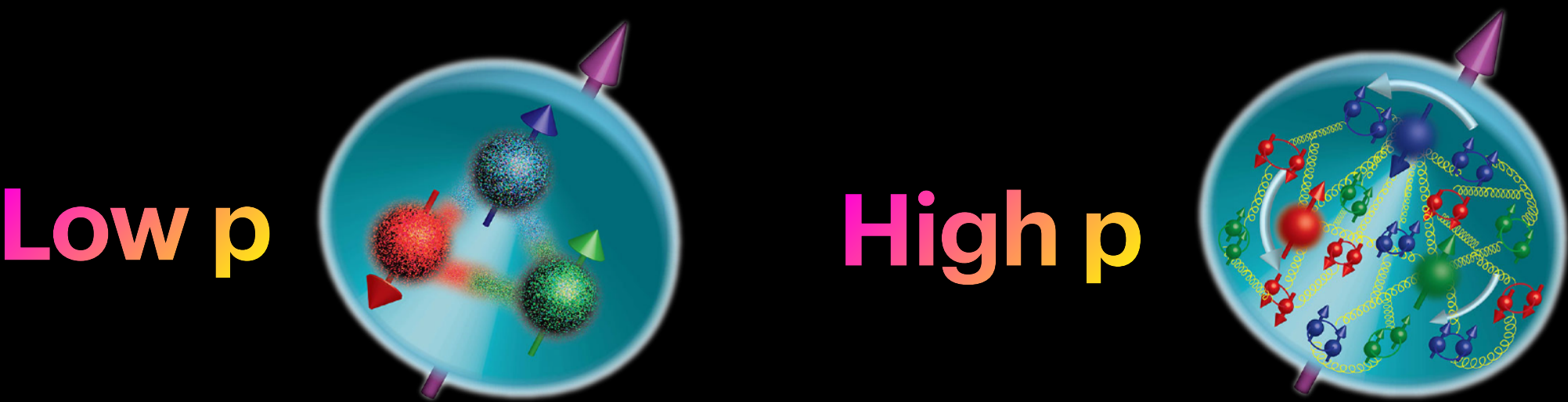


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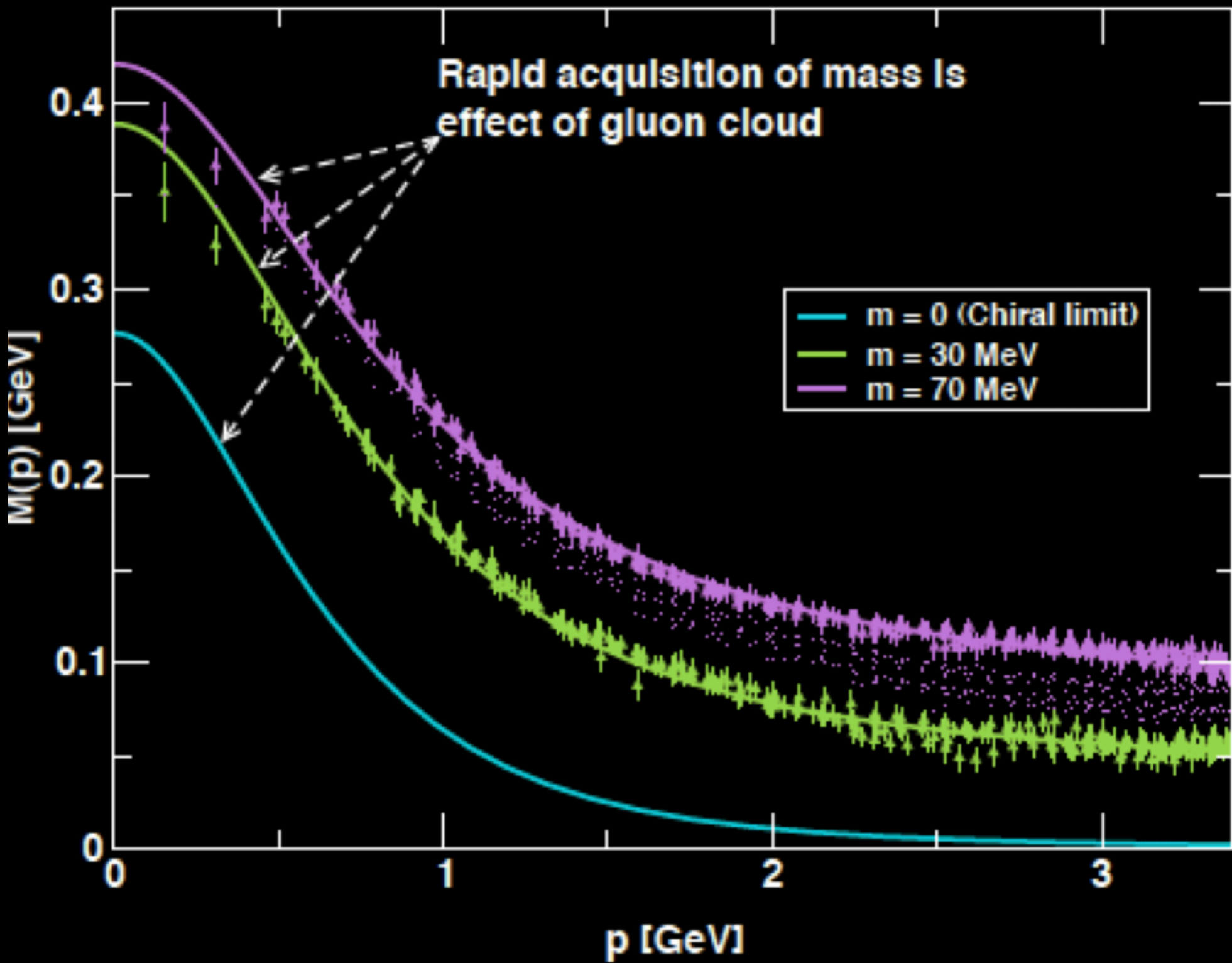
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QCD vacuum — highly dispersive medium

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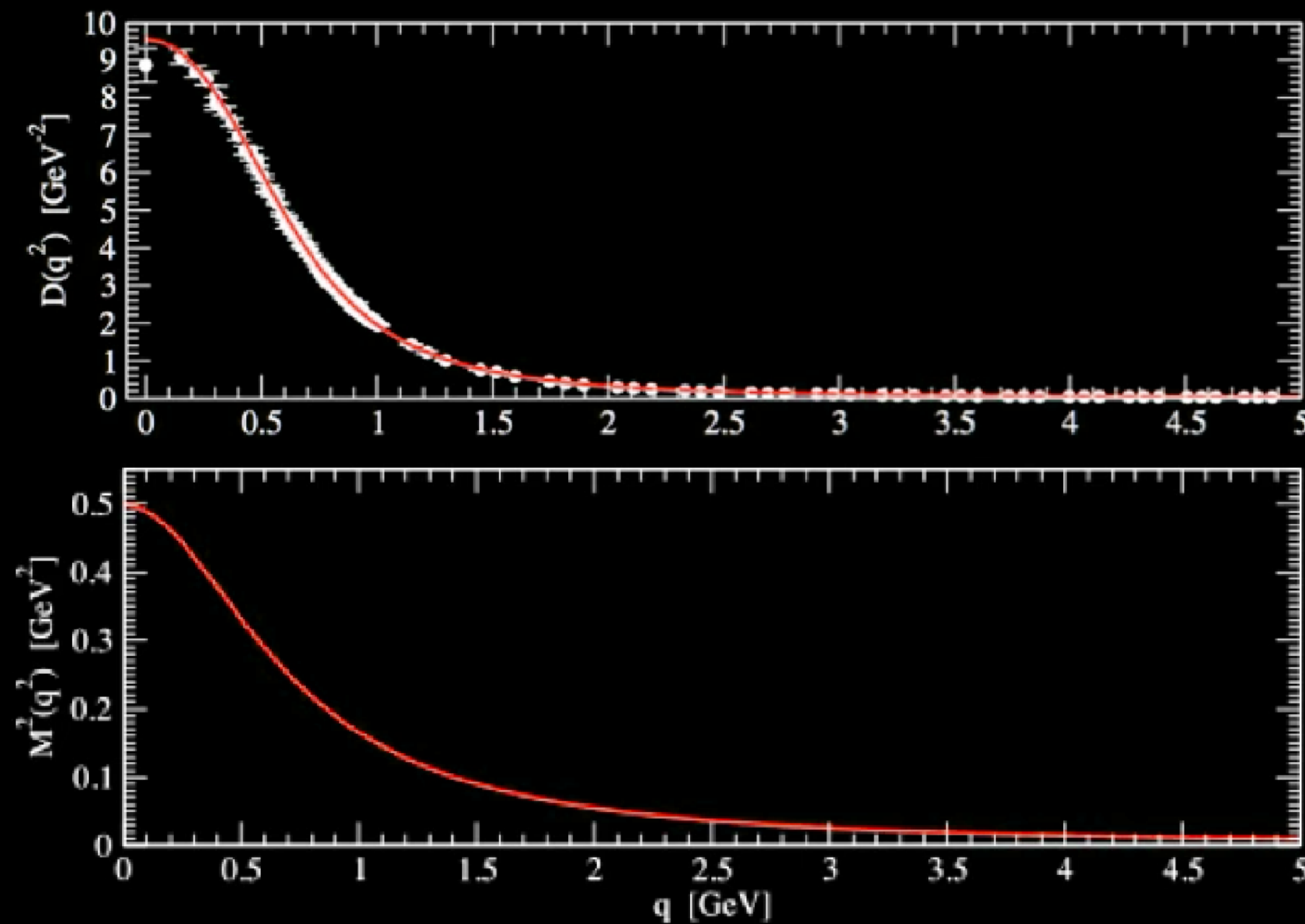
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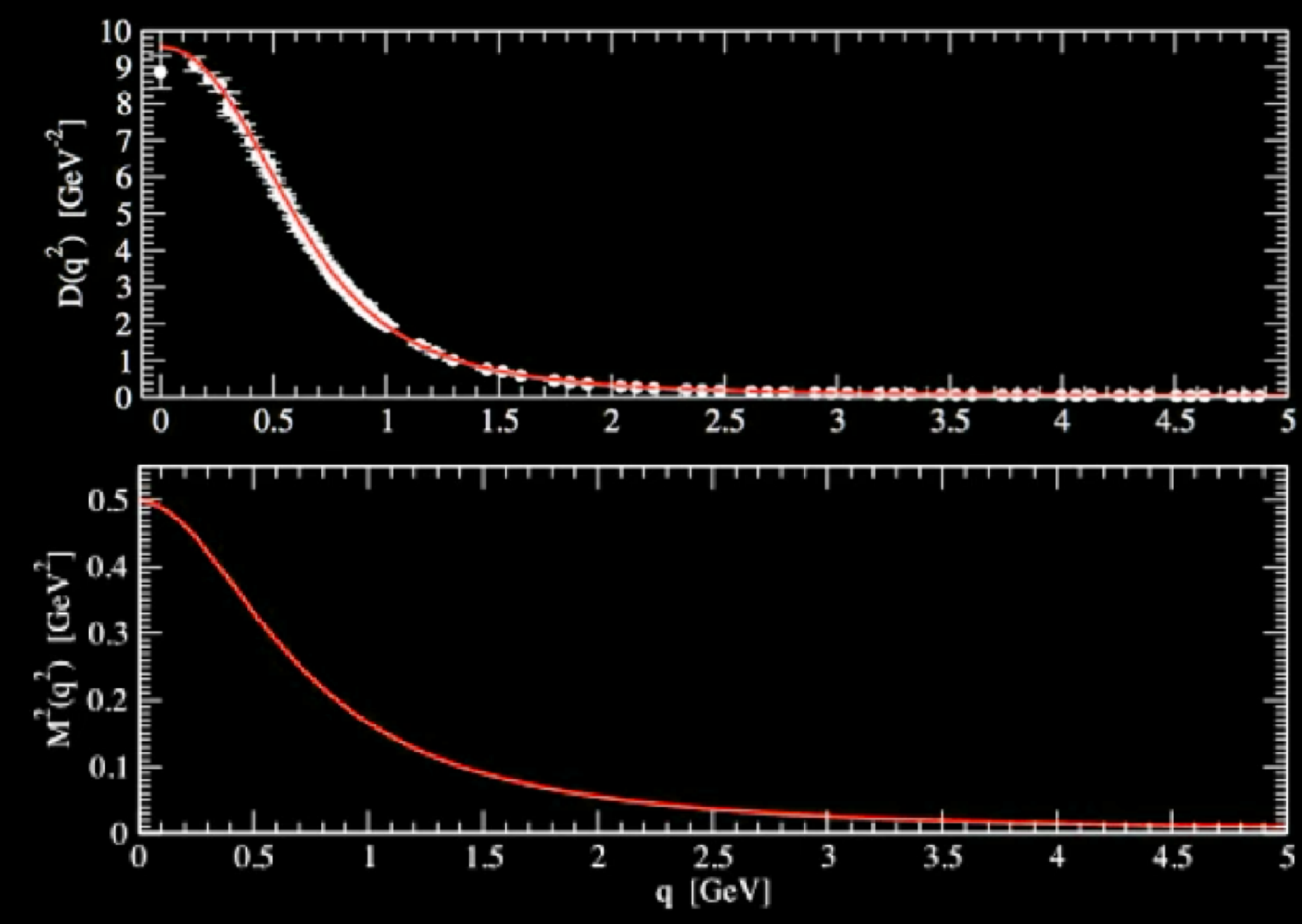
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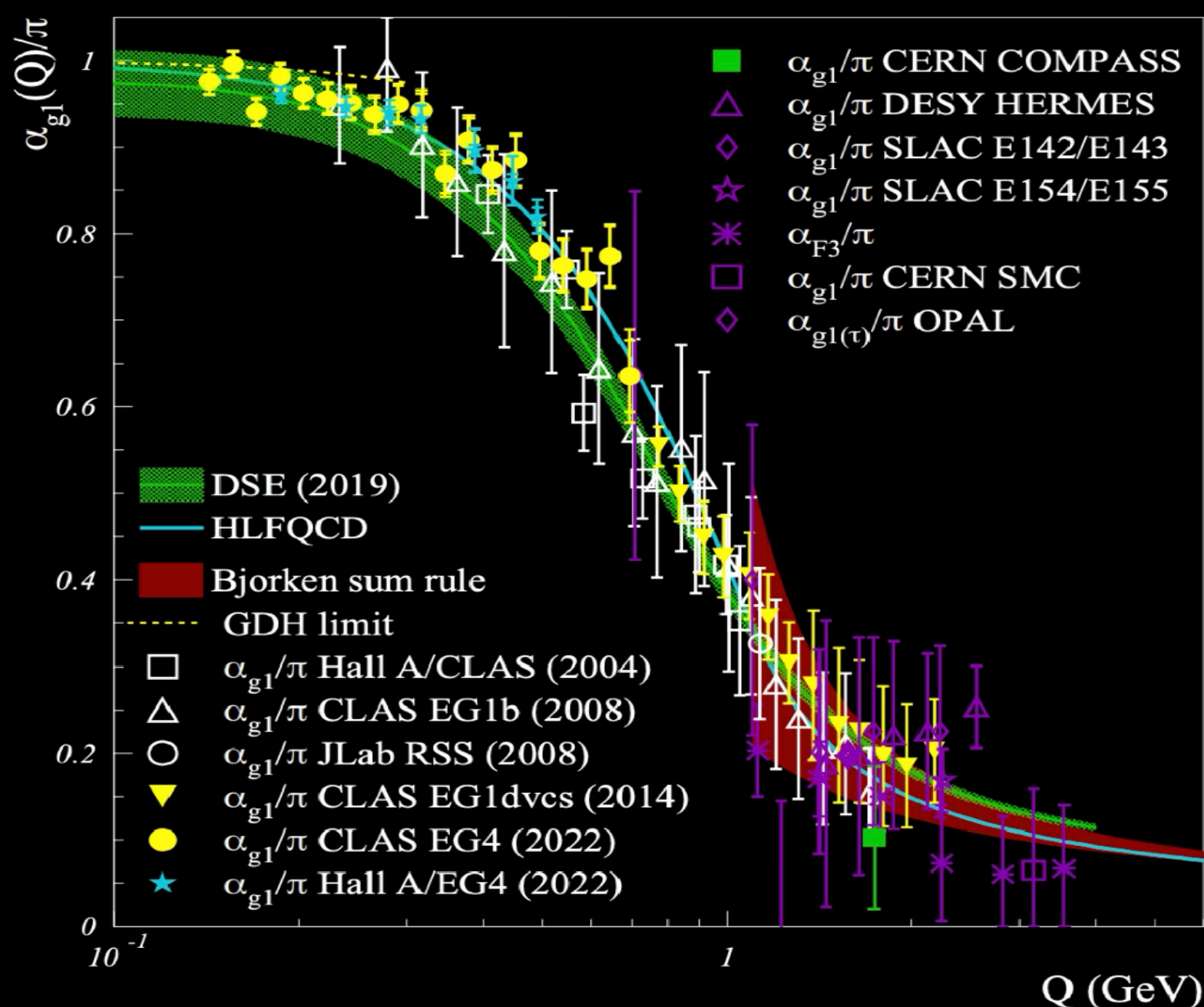
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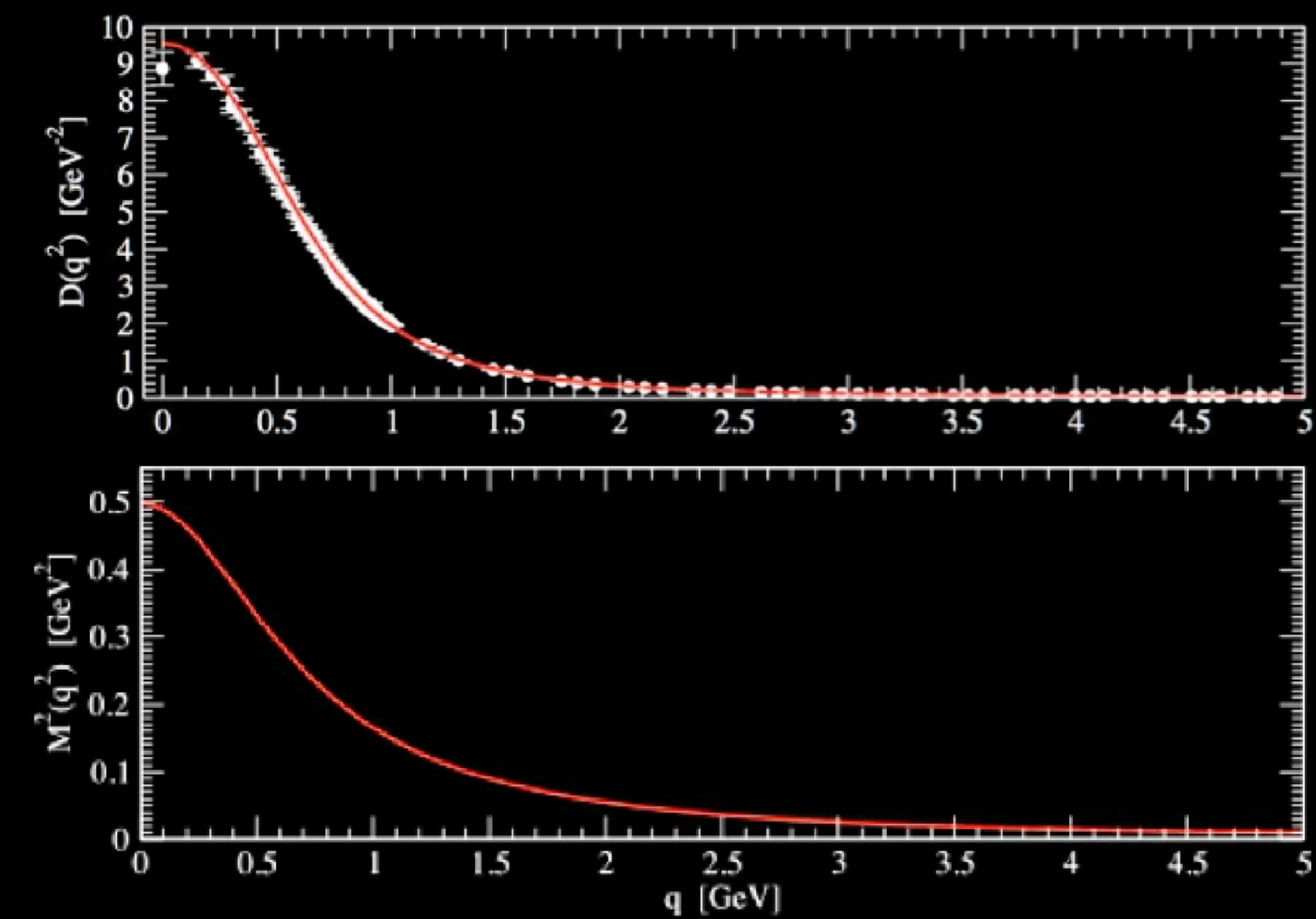
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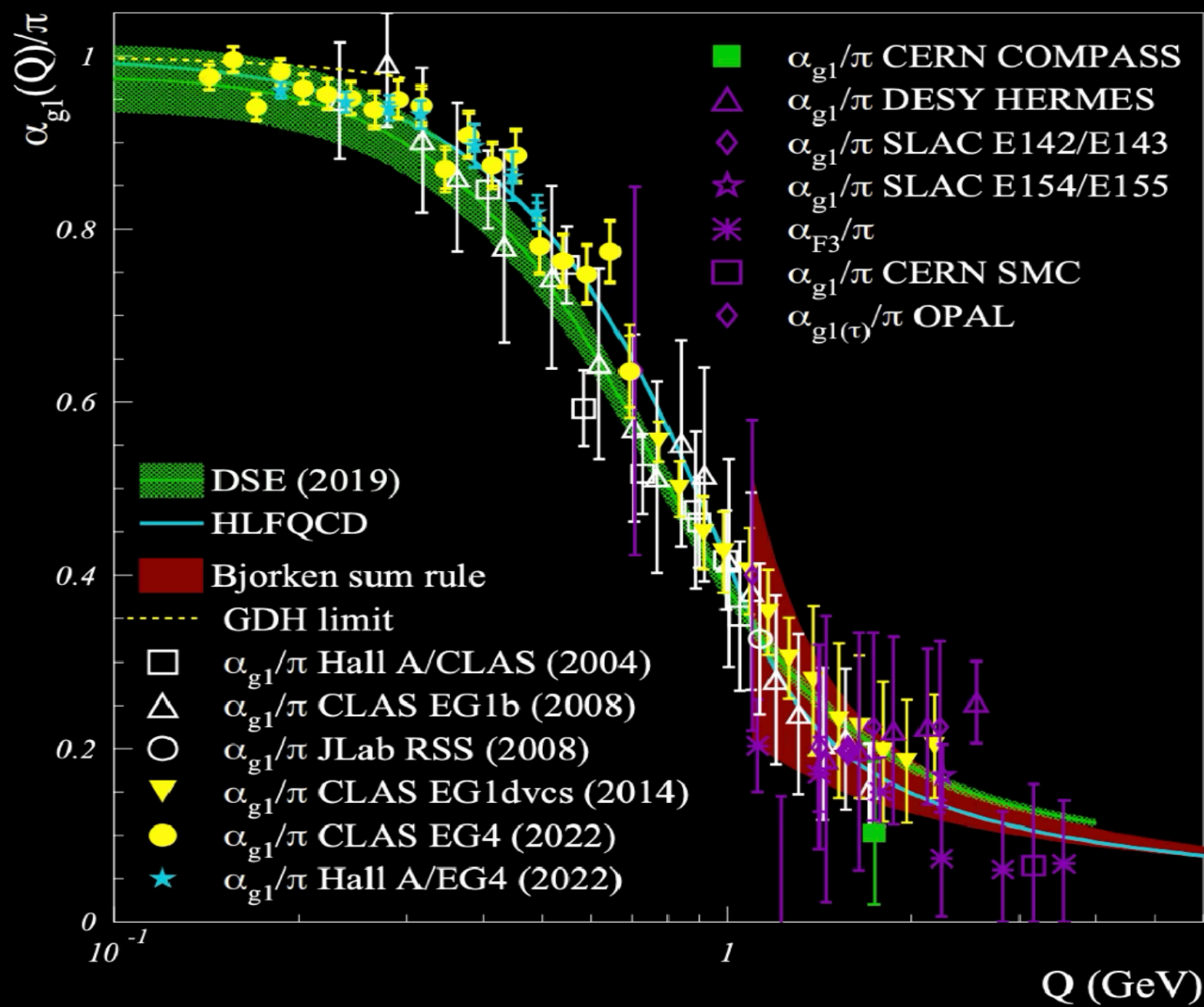
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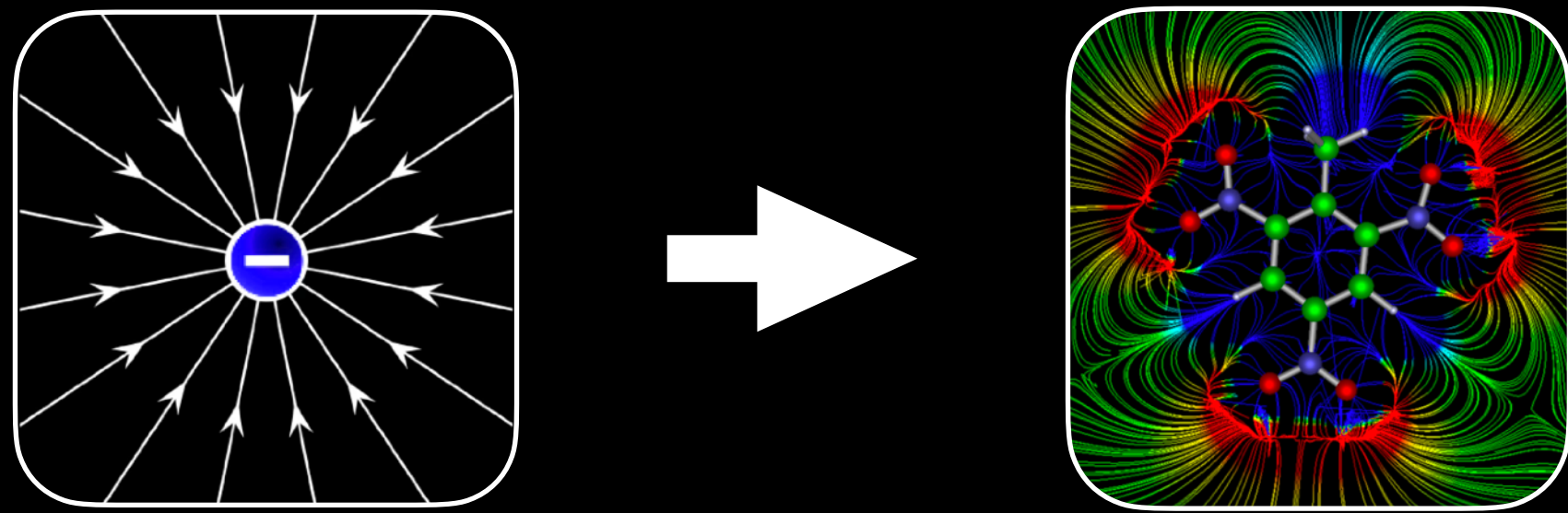
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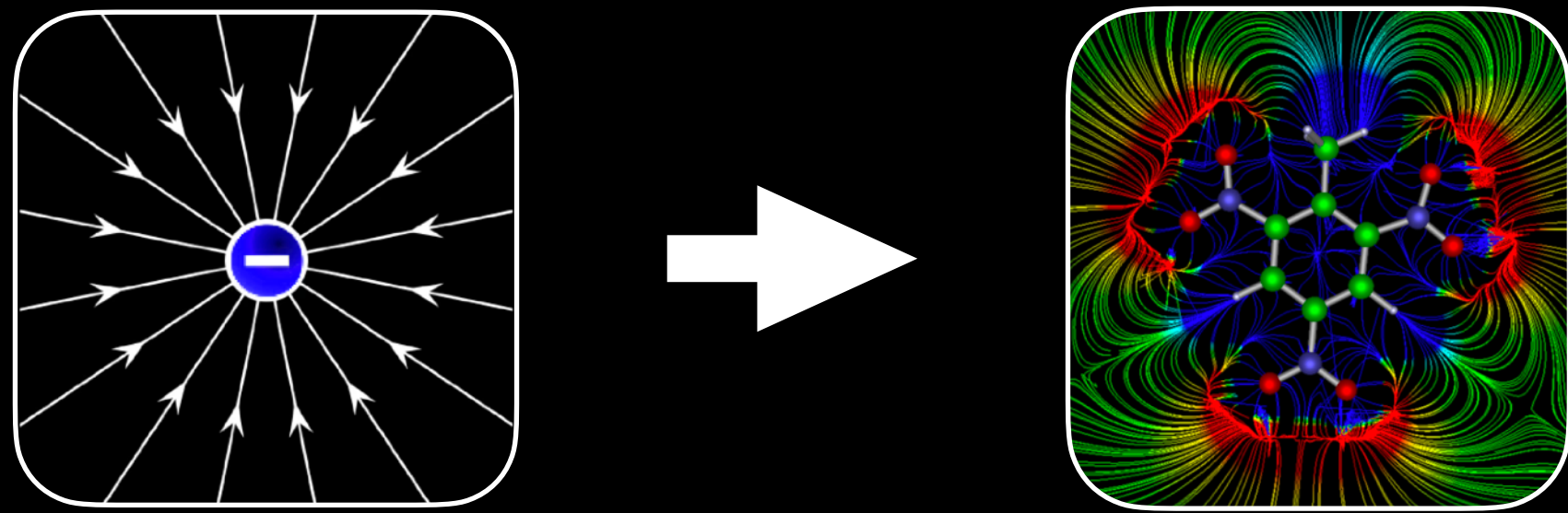
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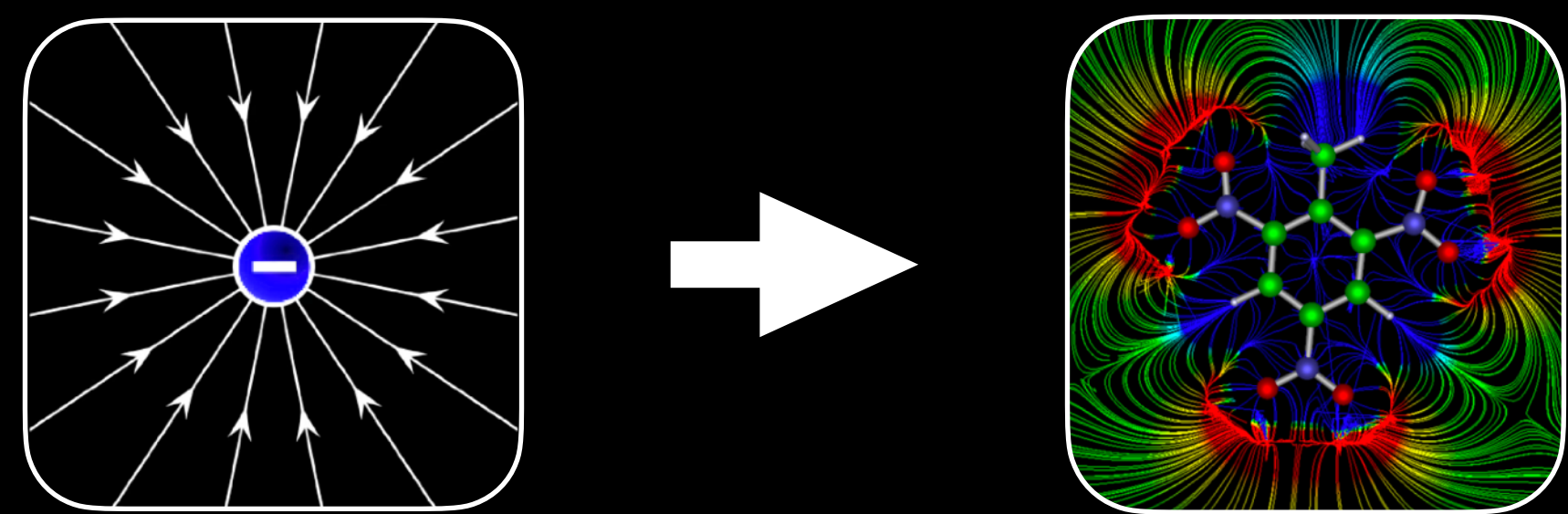
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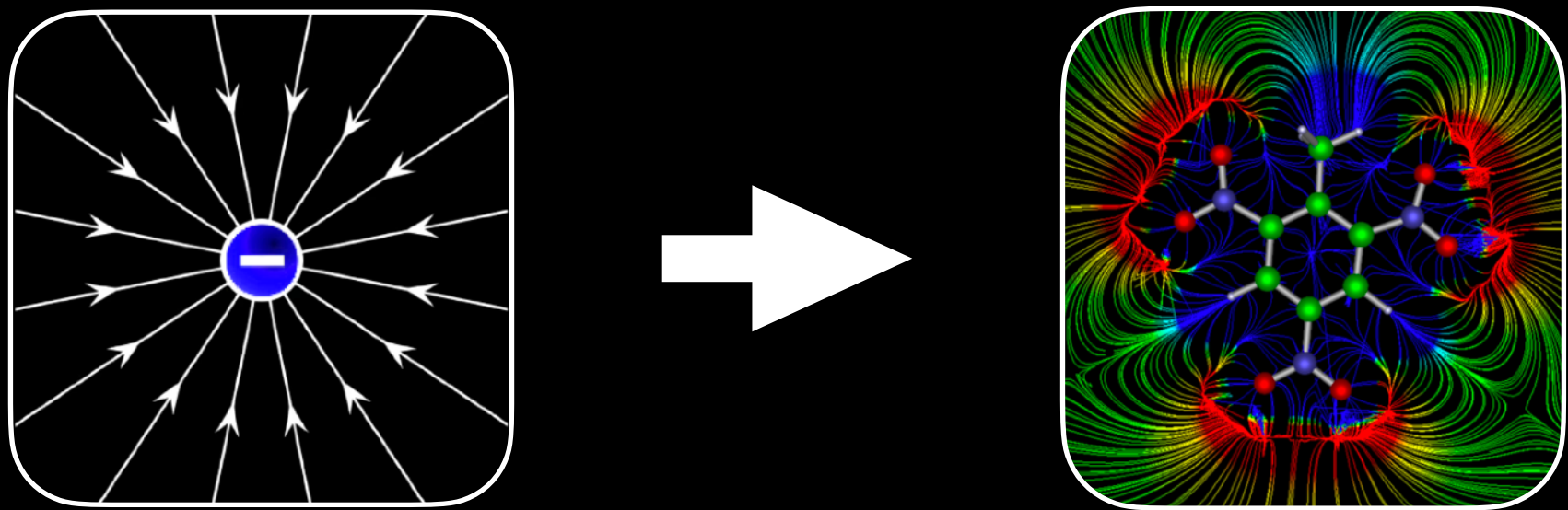
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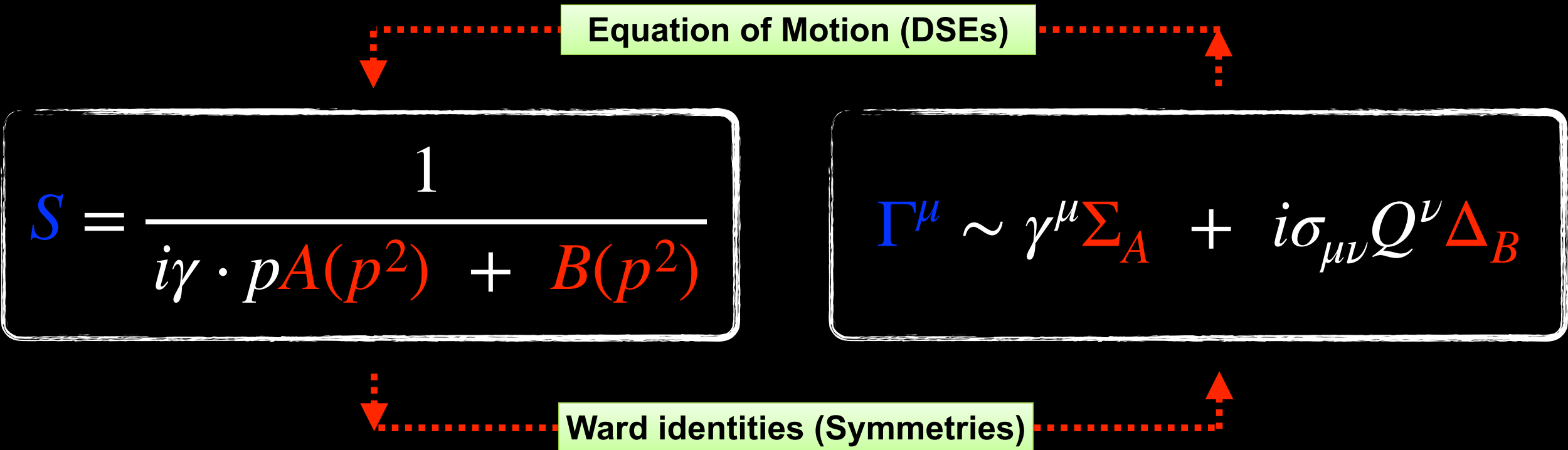
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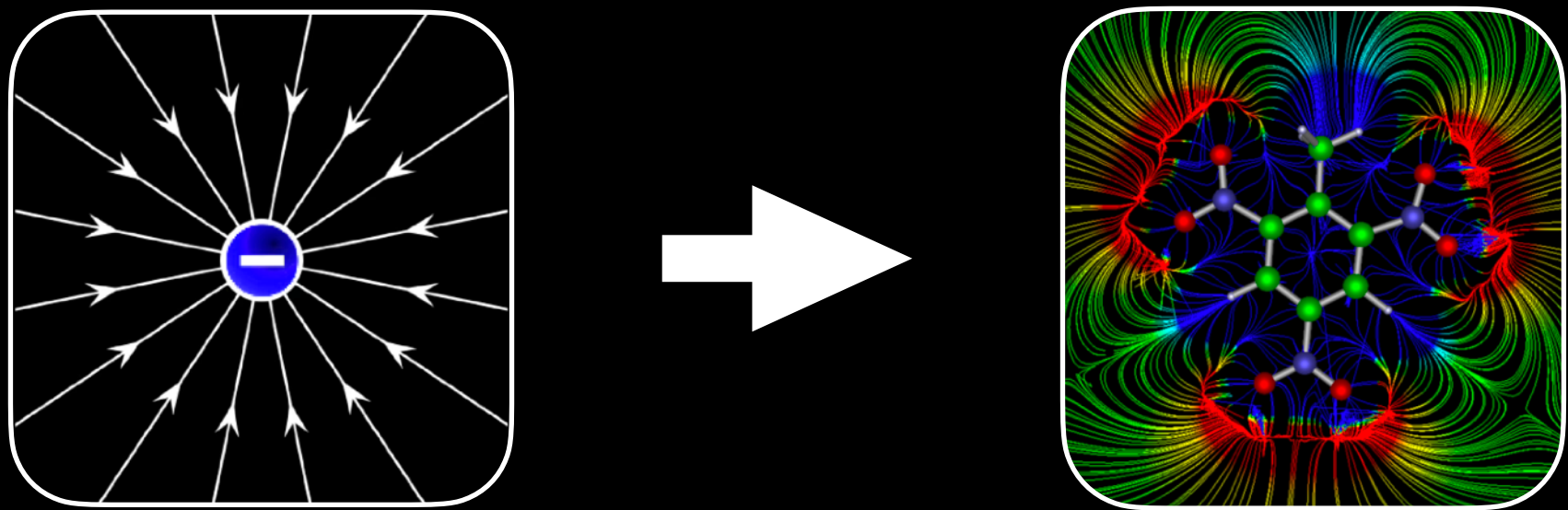
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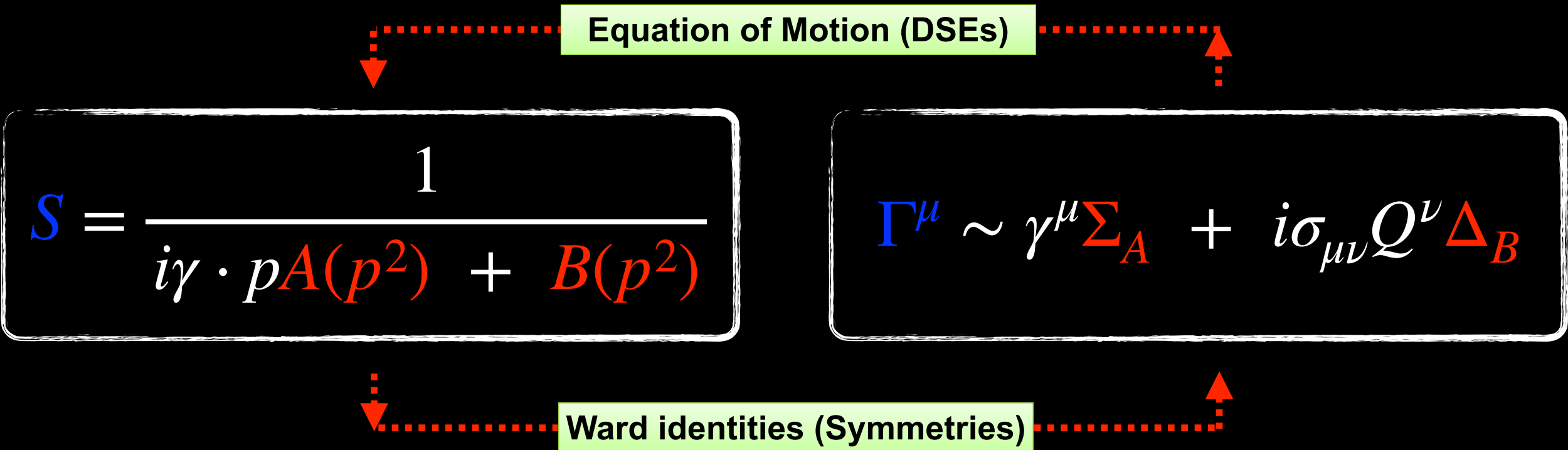
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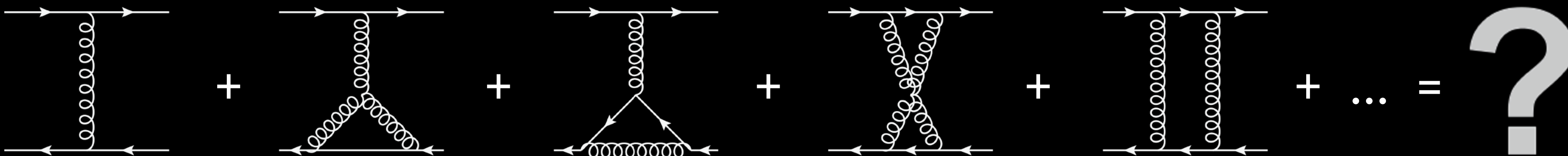


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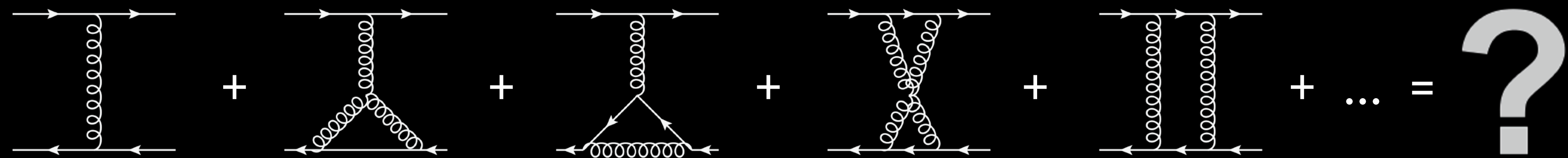
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DCSB rendered

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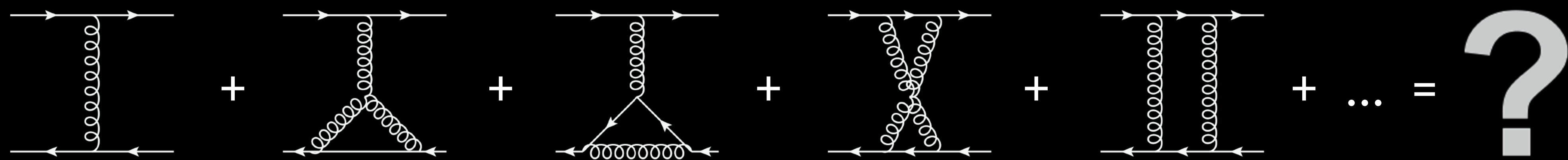
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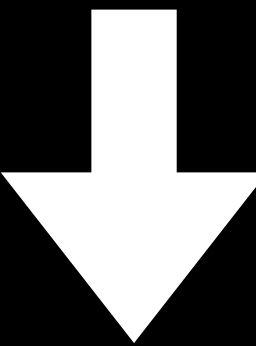
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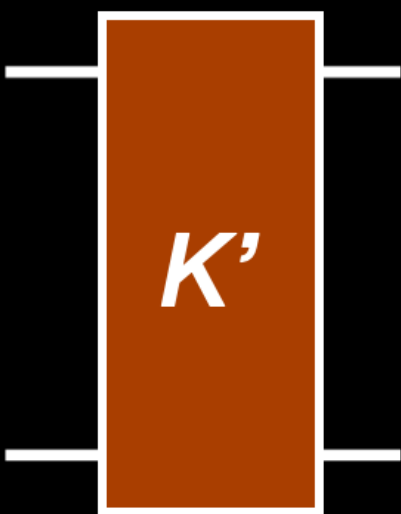
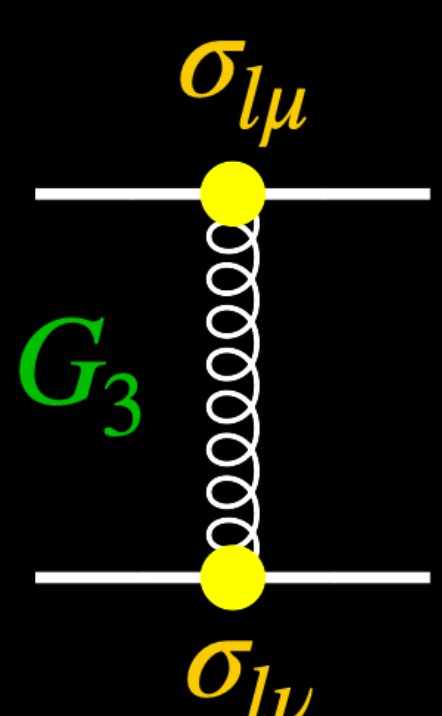
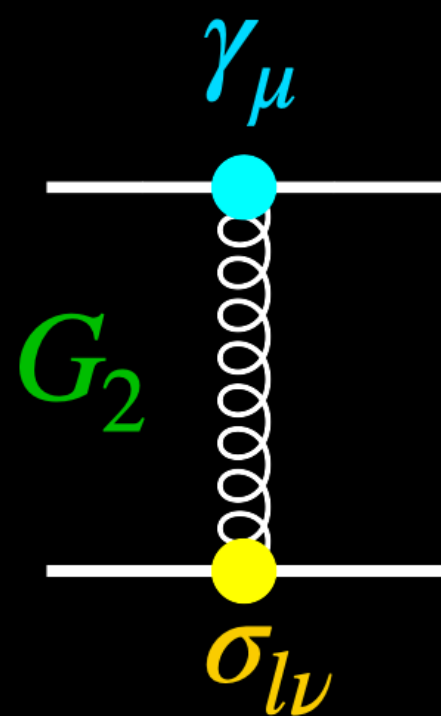
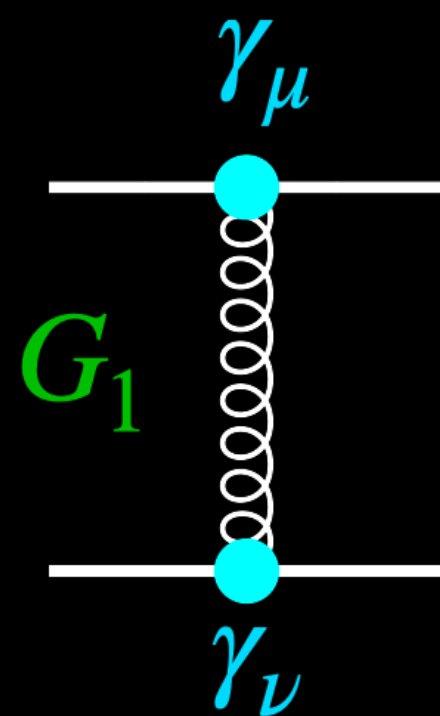
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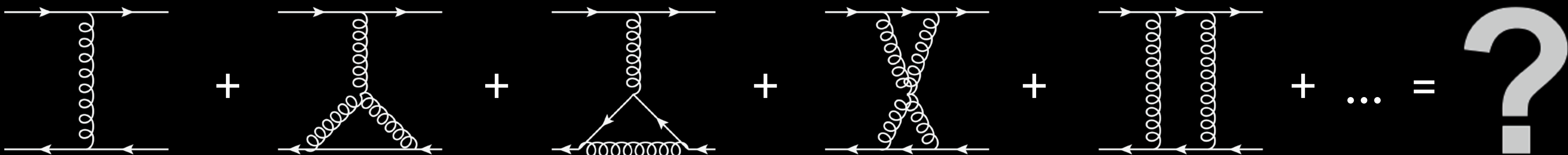
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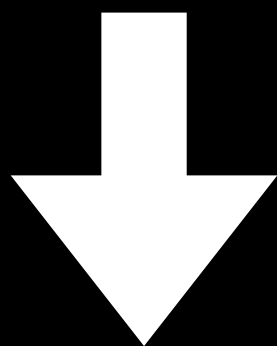
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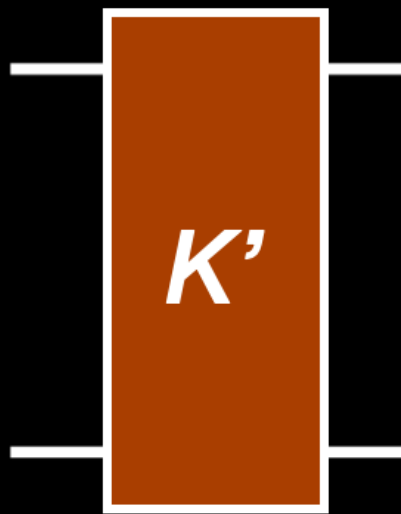
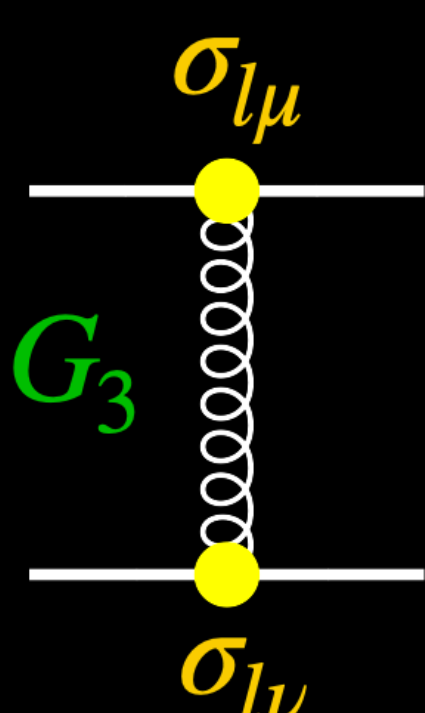
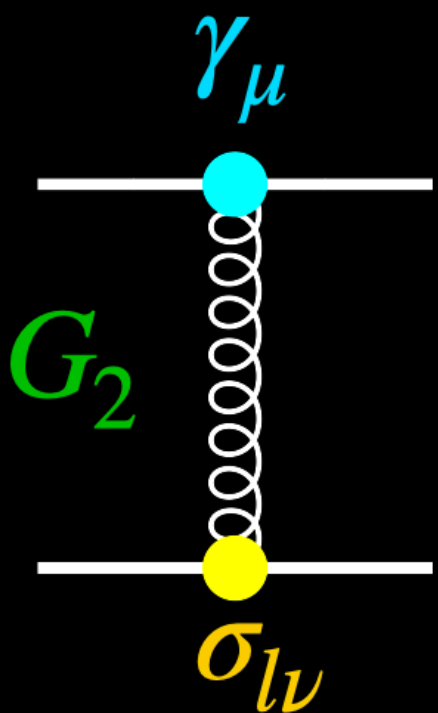
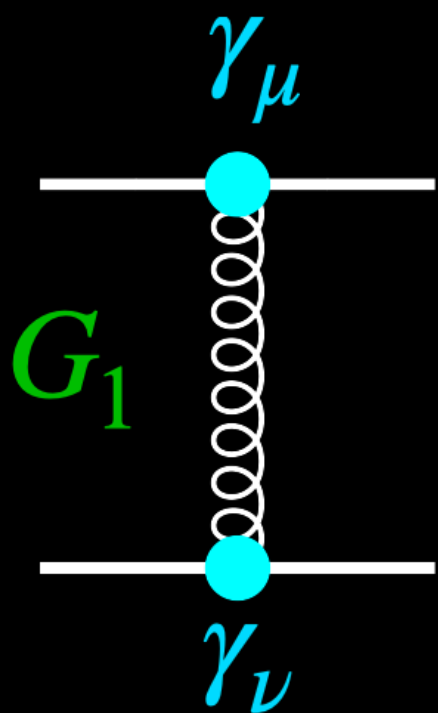


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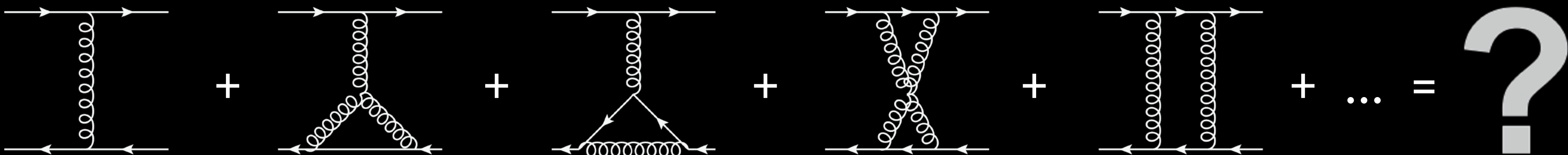


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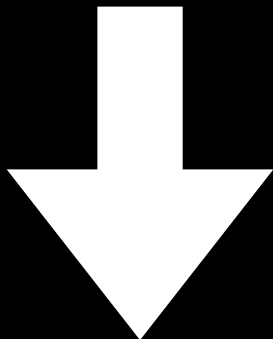
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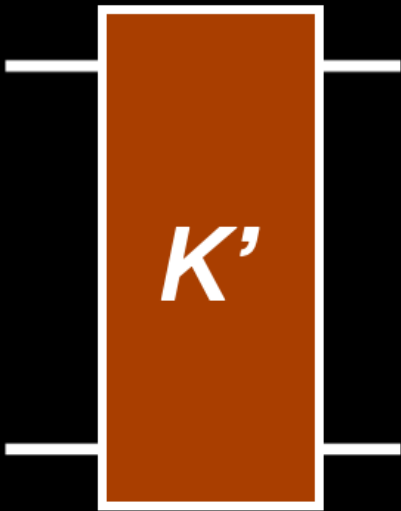
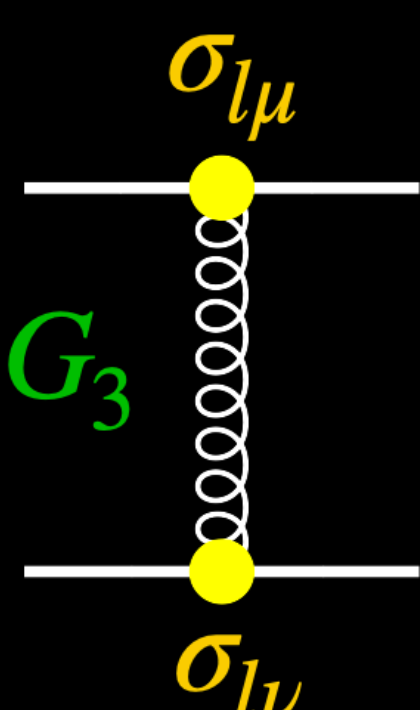
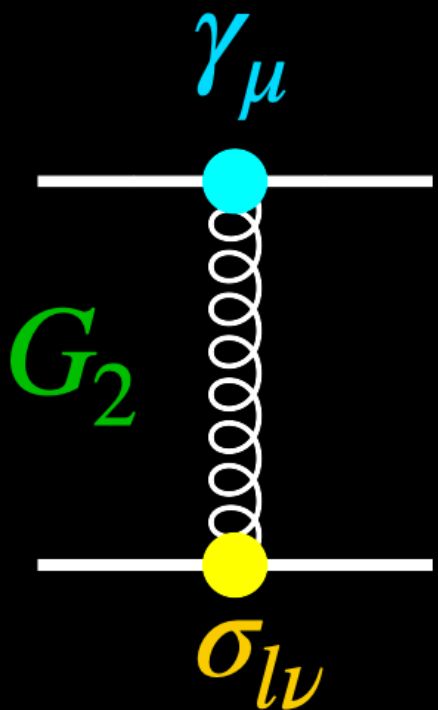
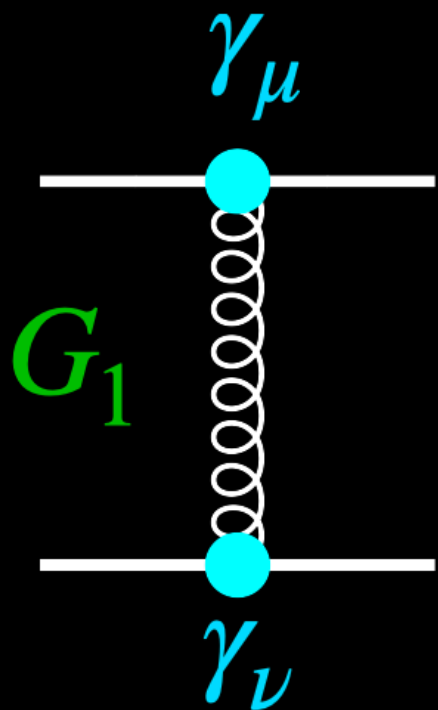


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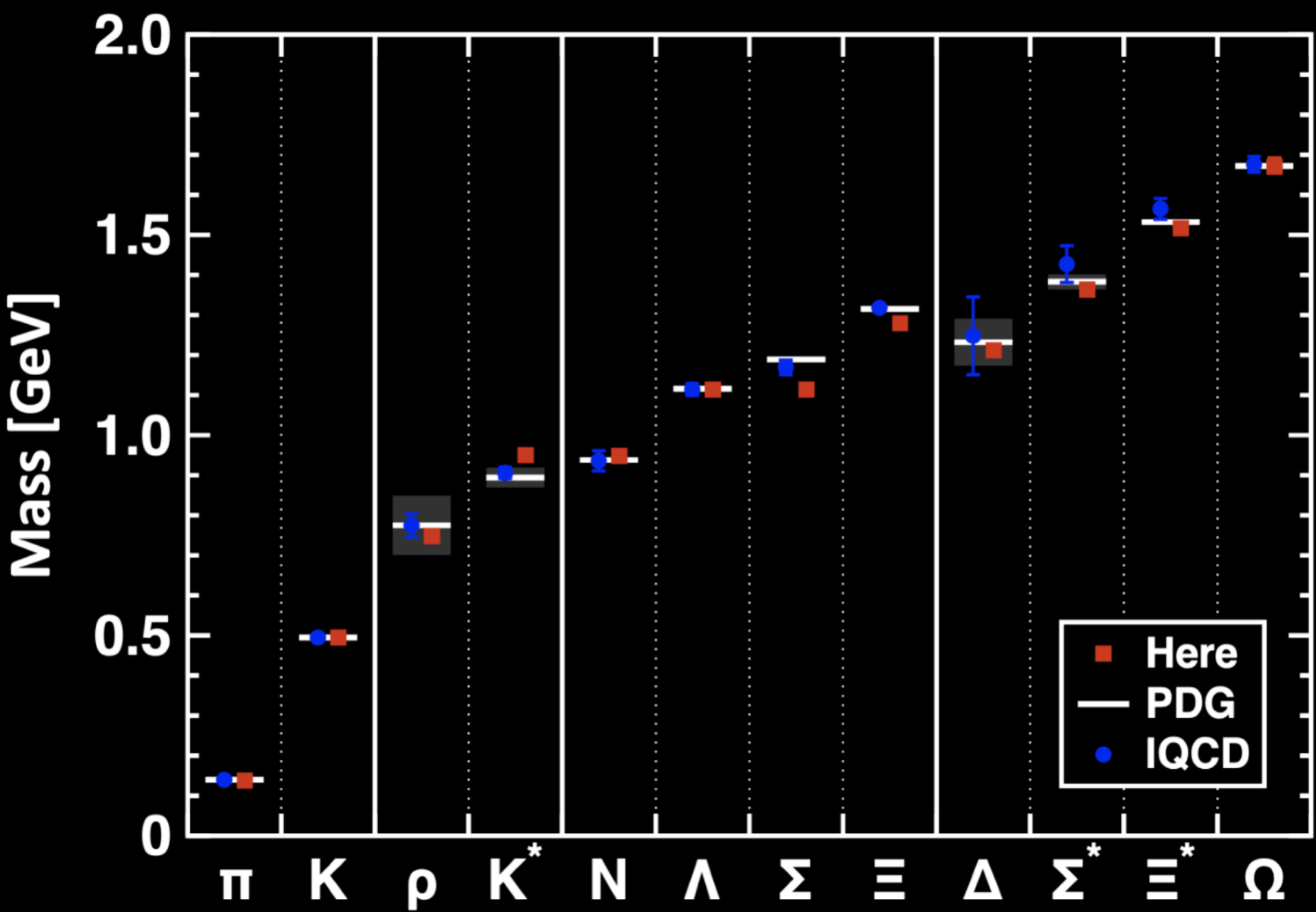


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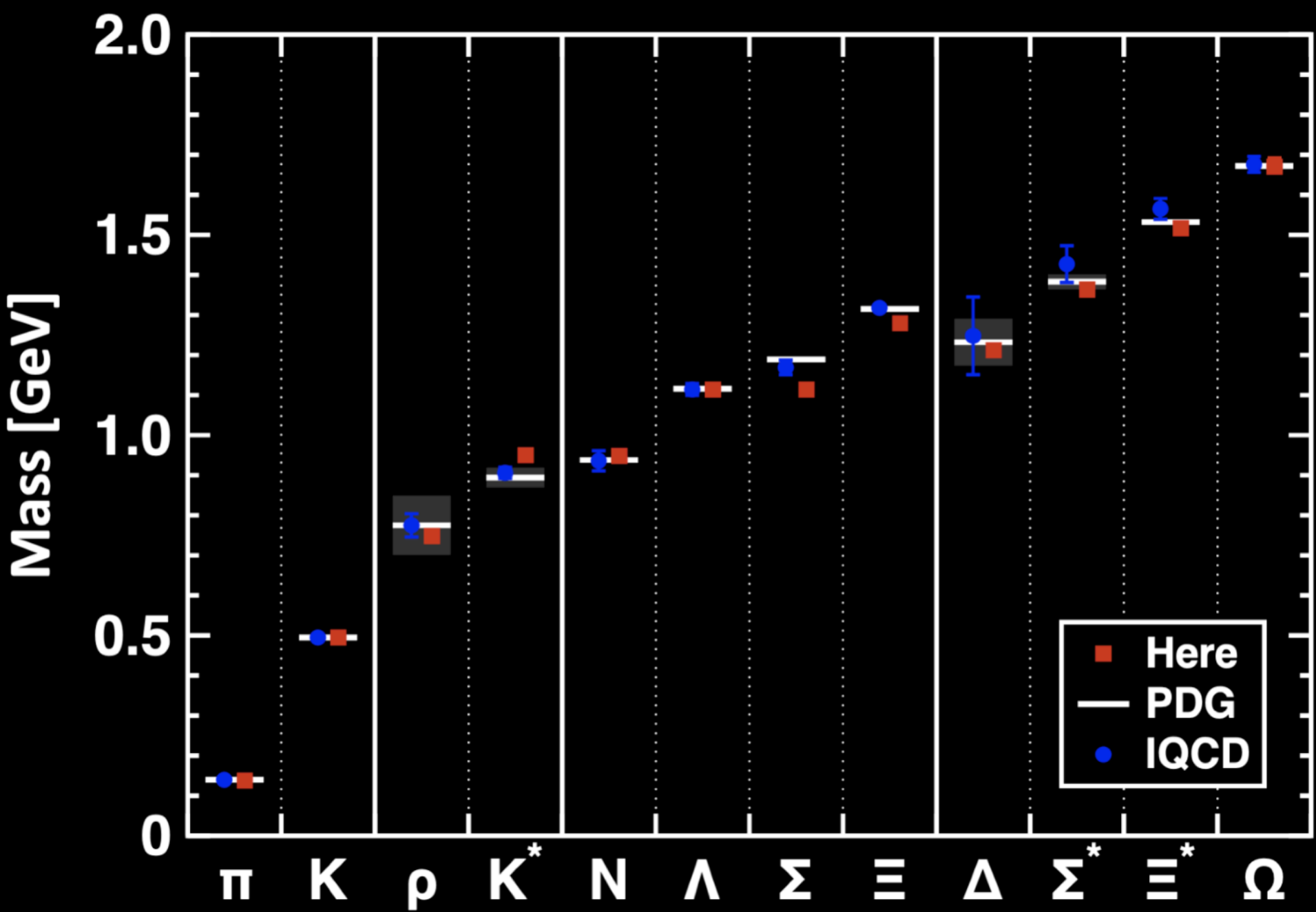
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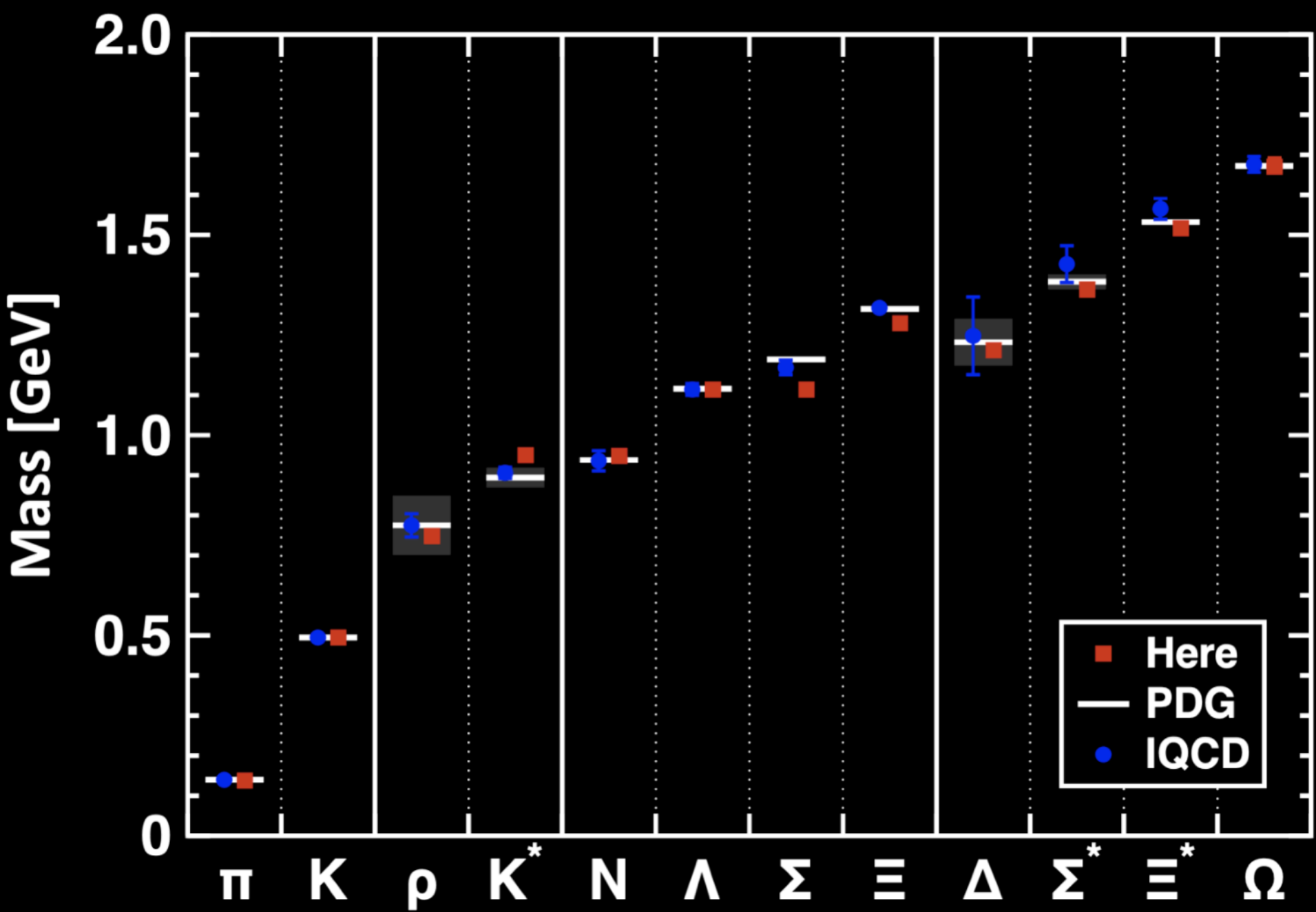
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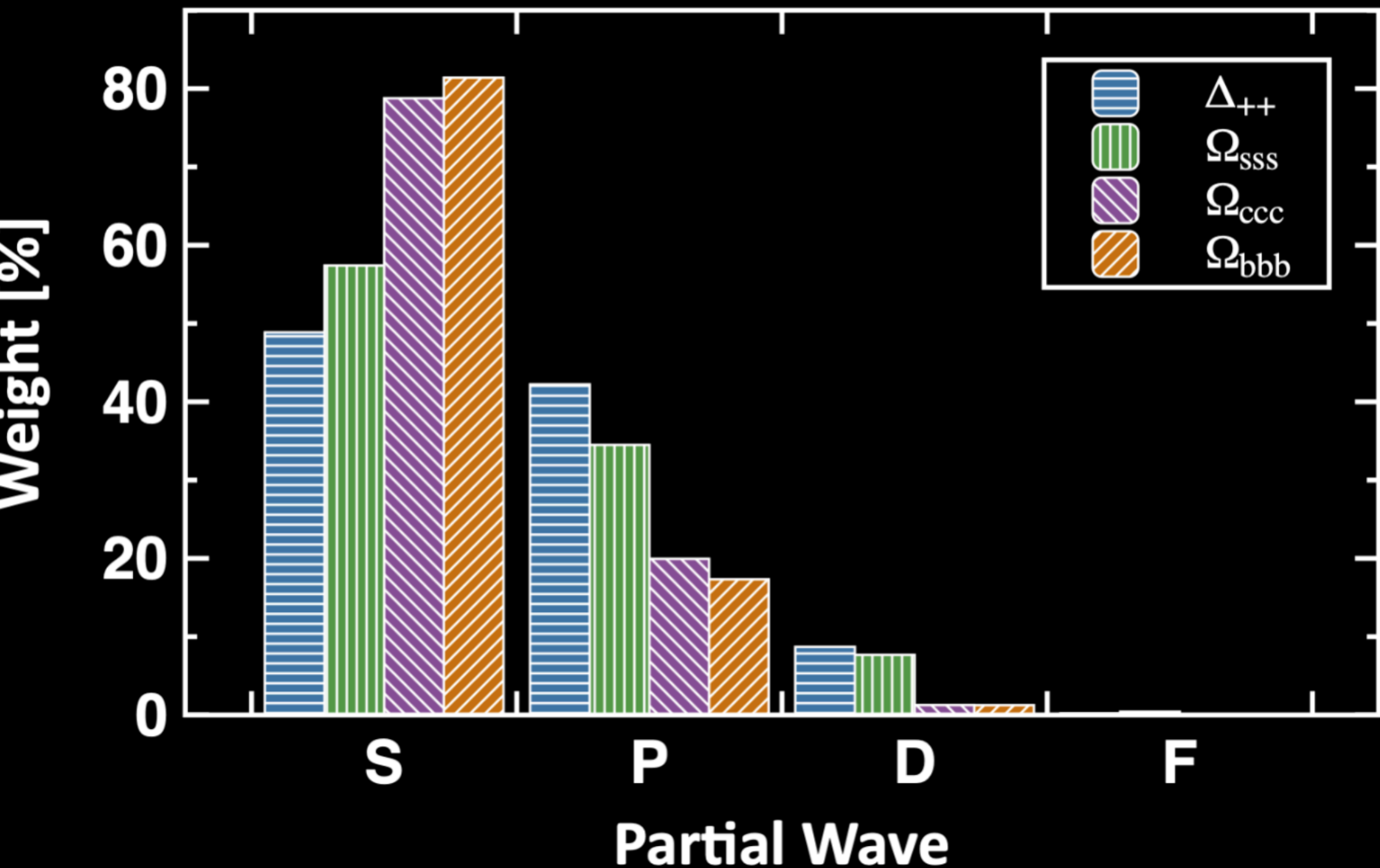
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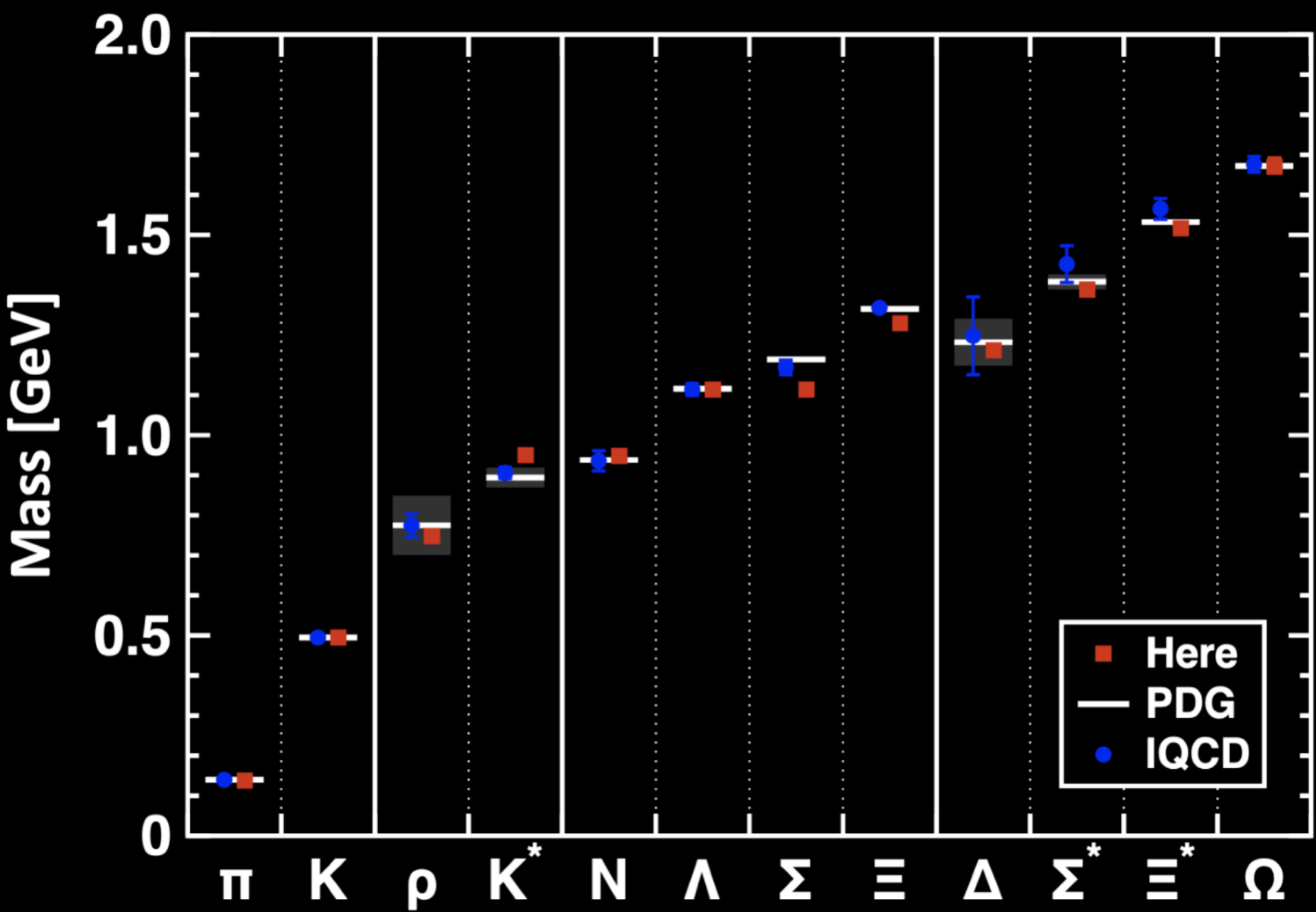
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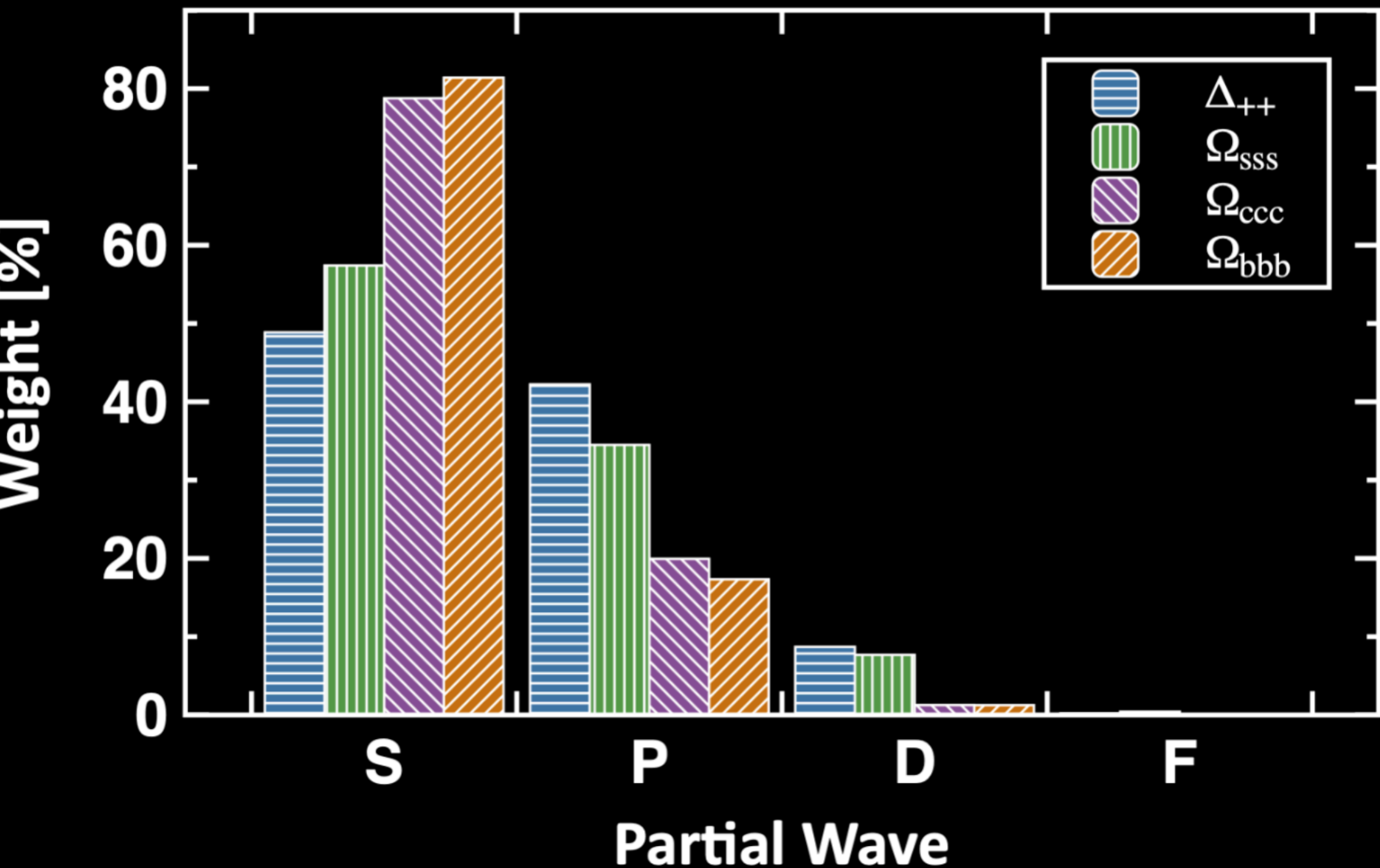
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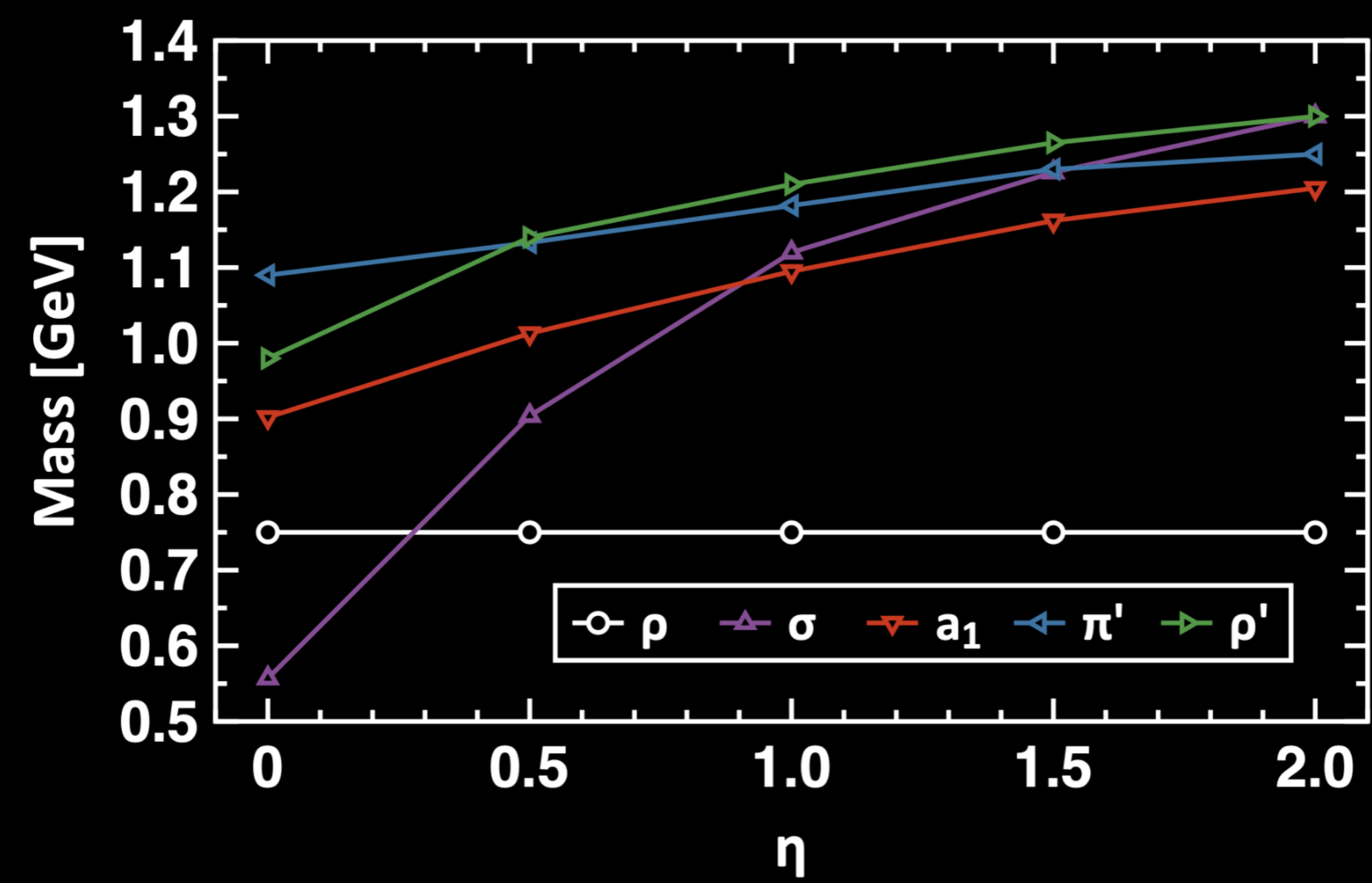
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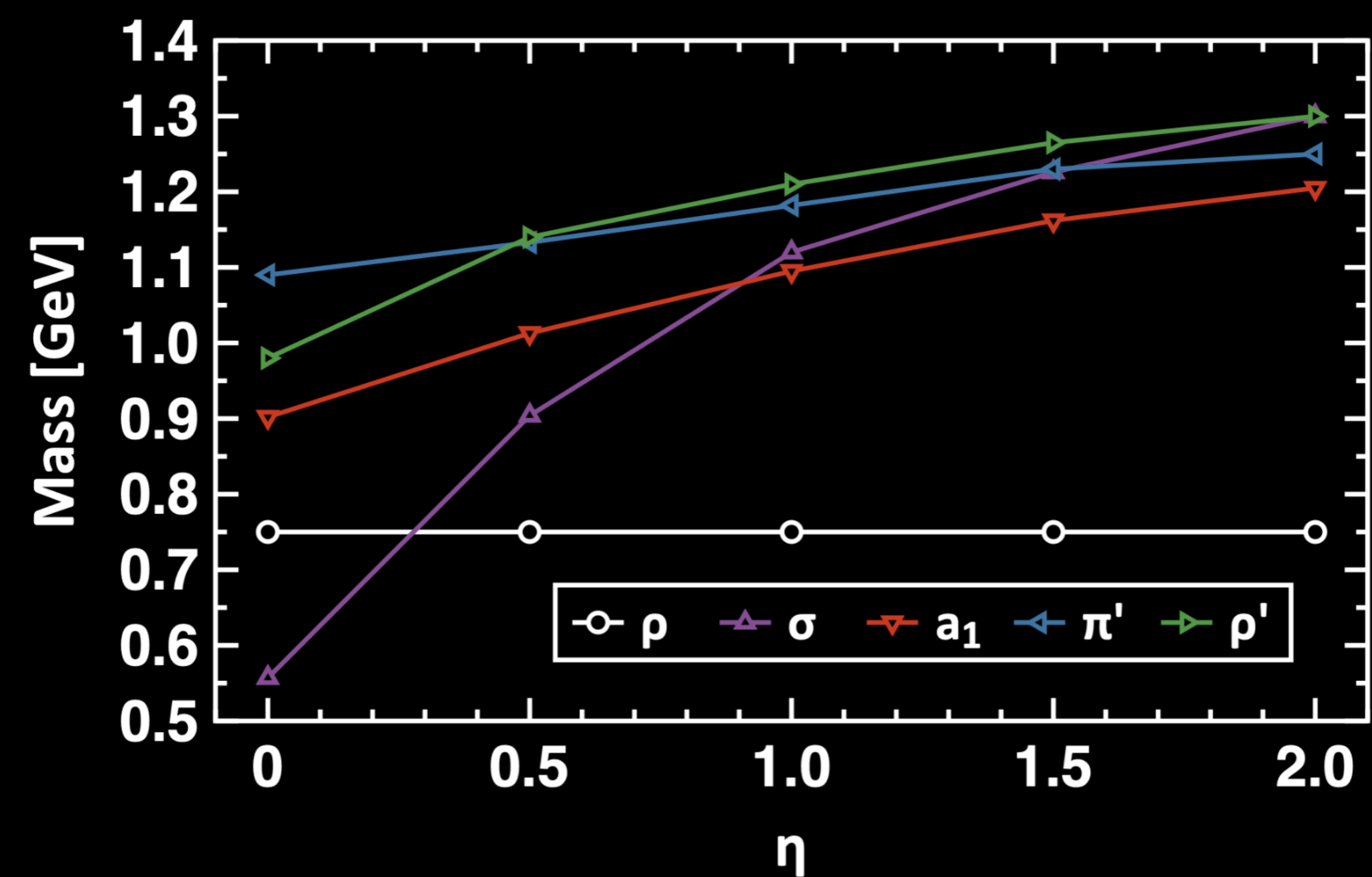
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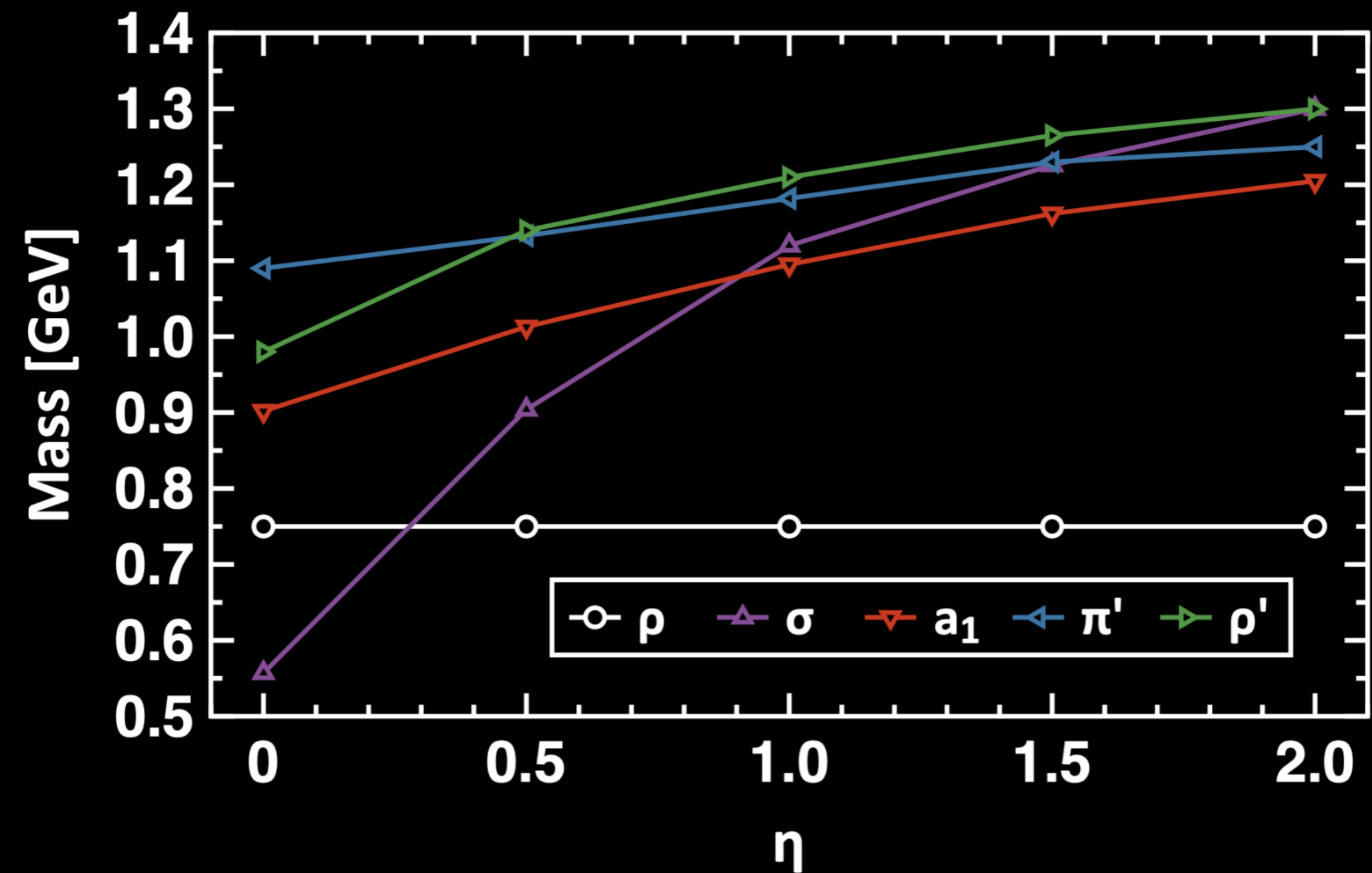
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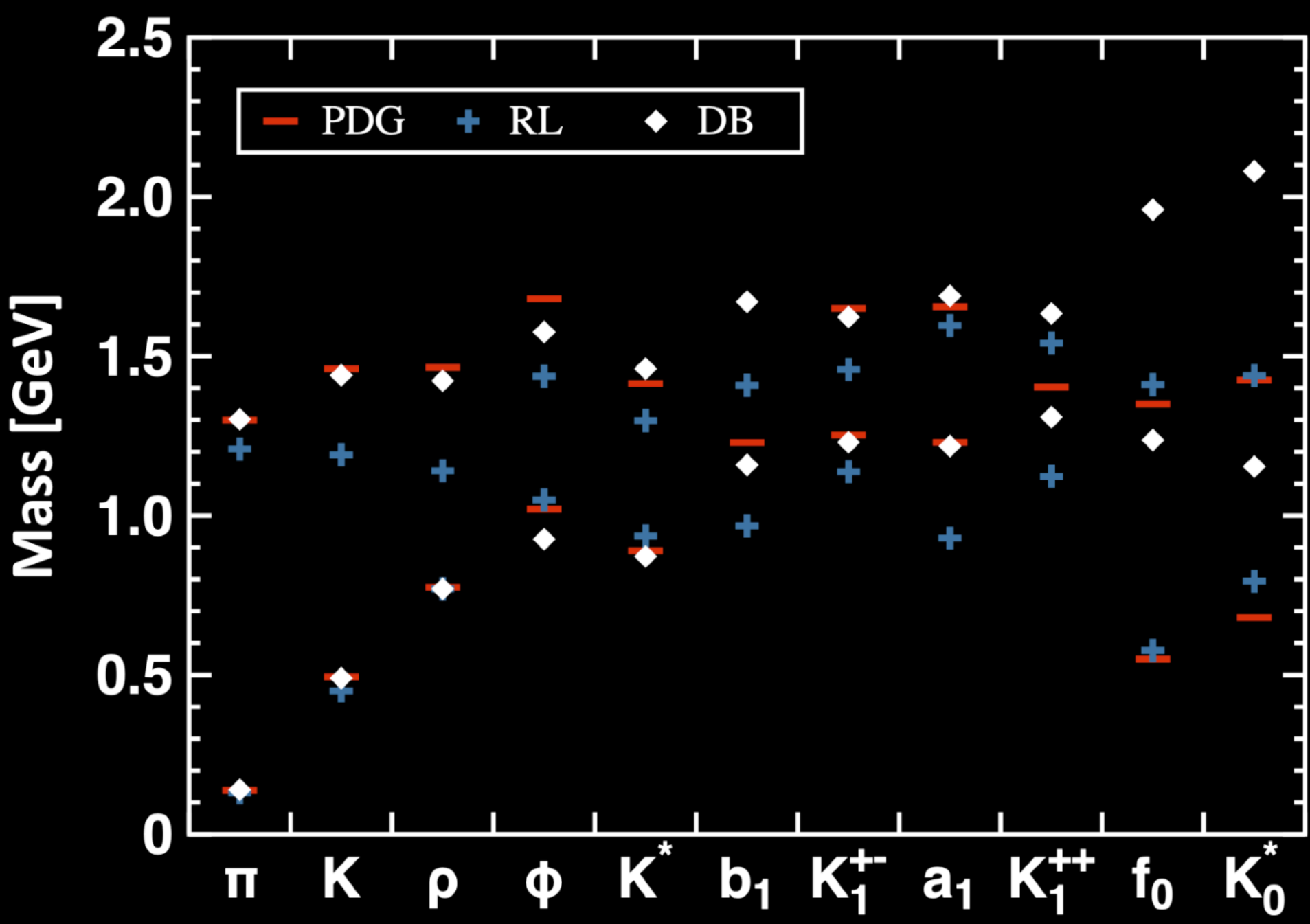
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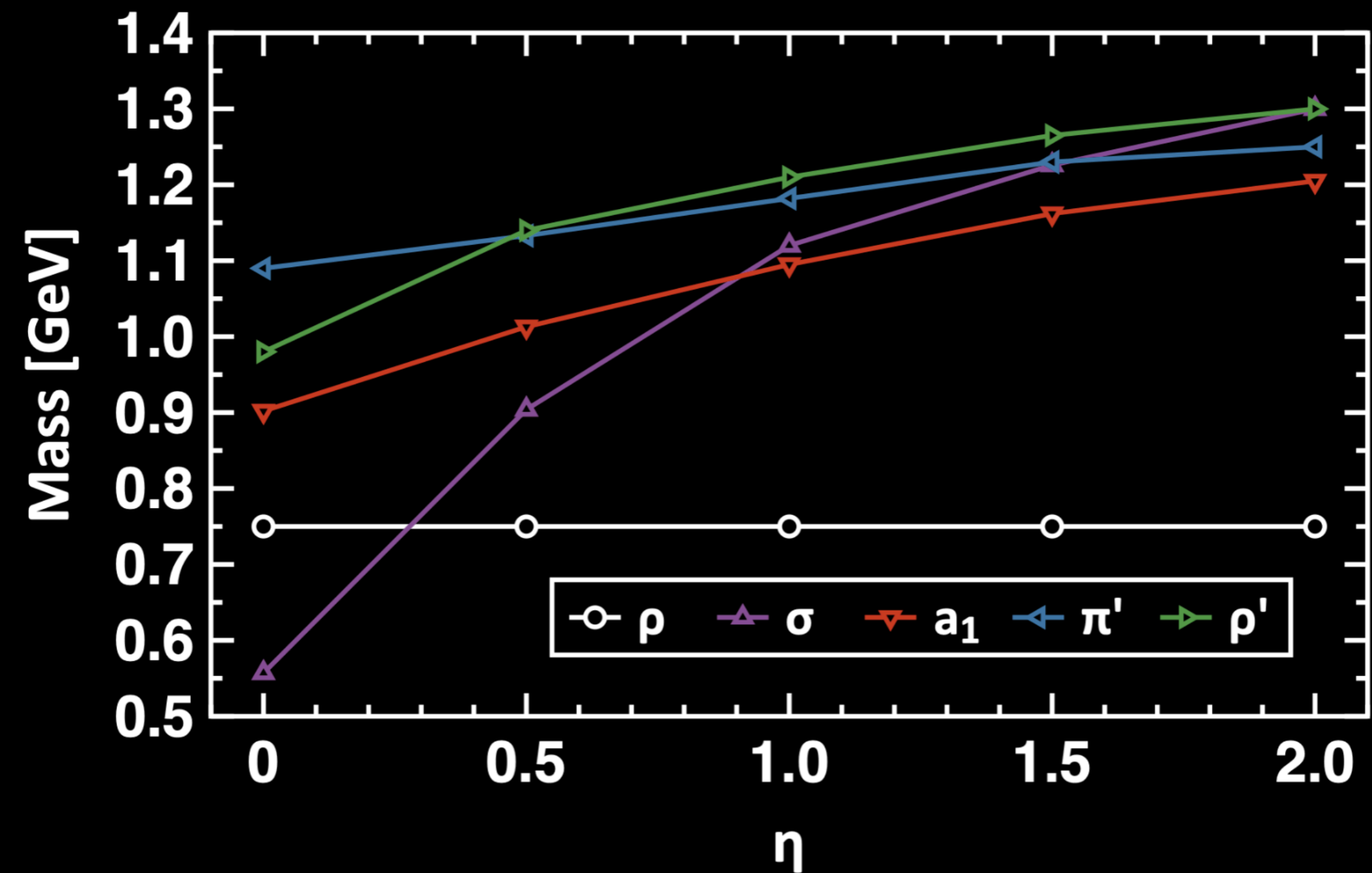
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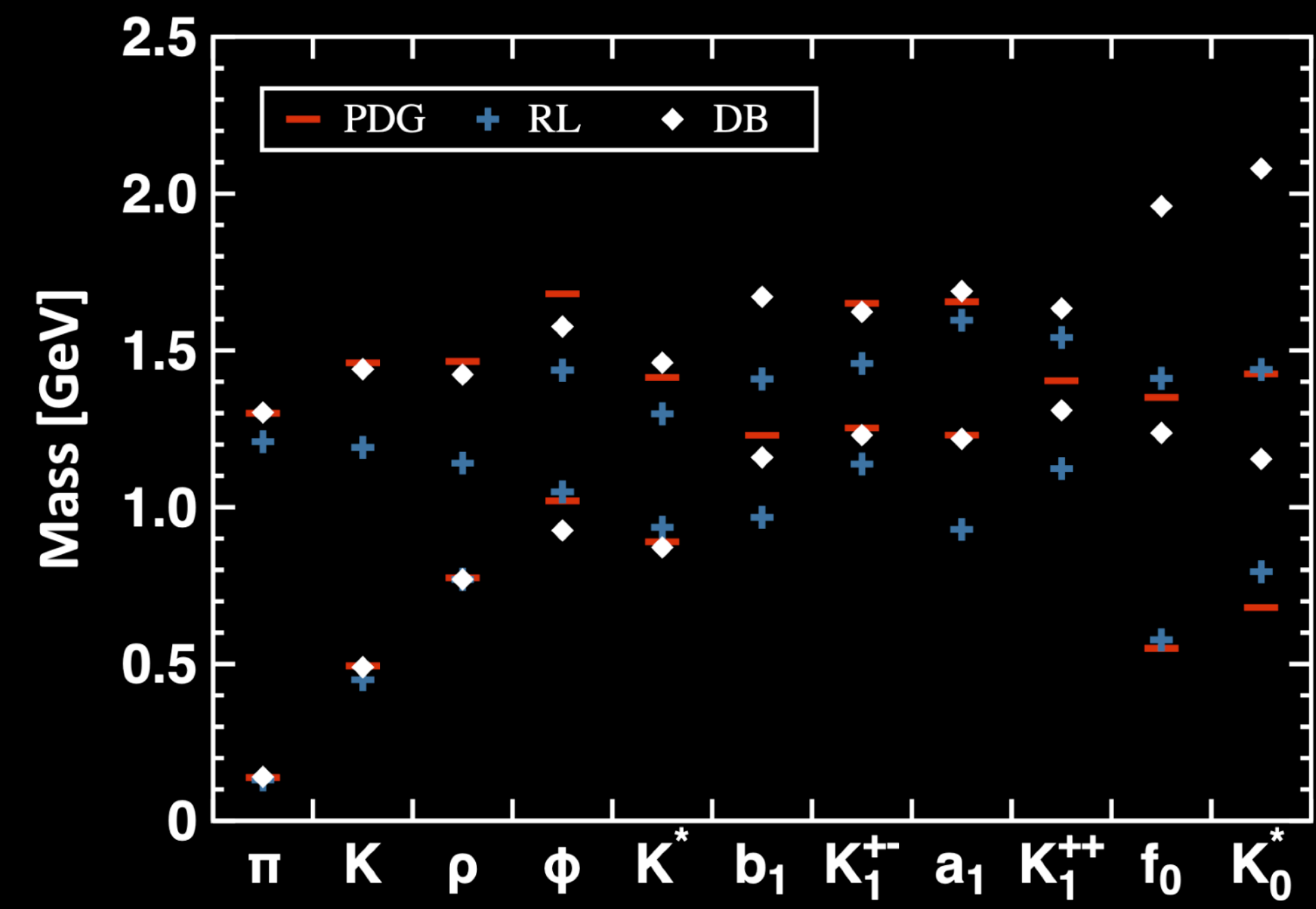
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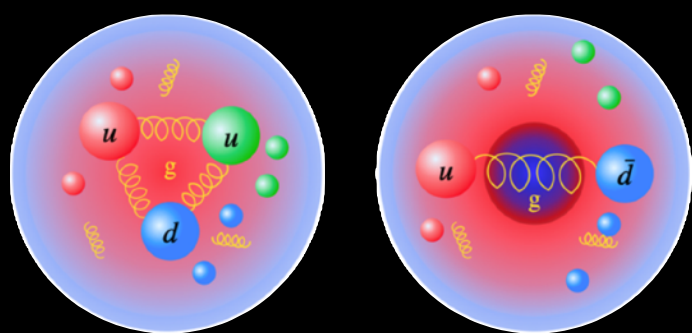
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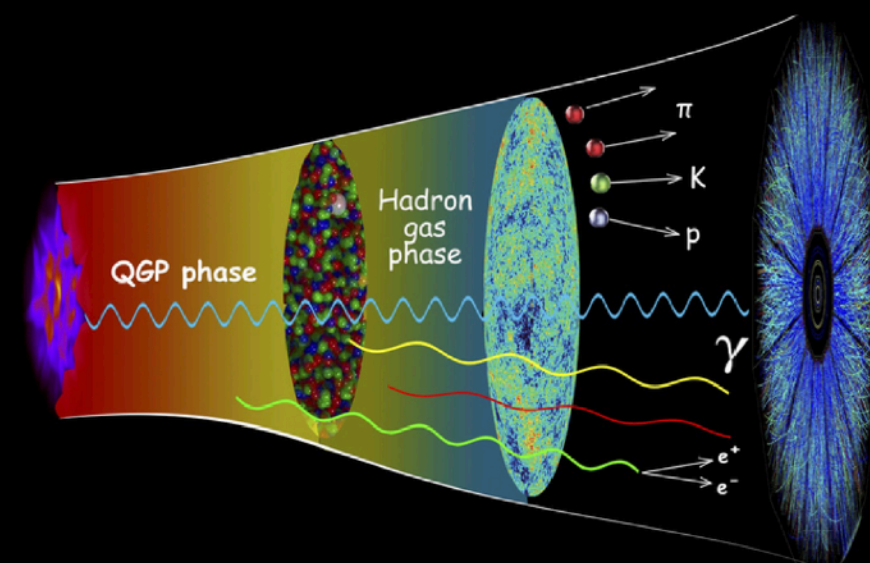
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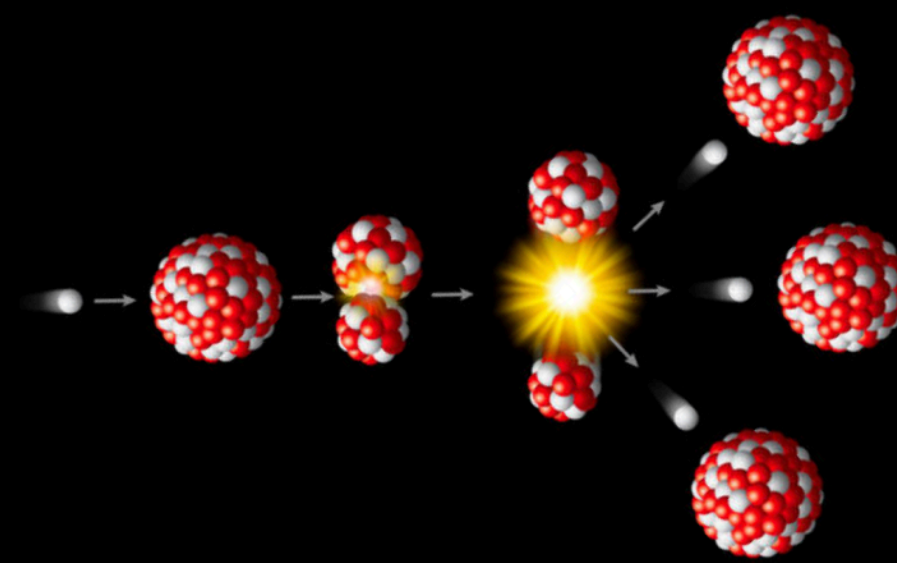
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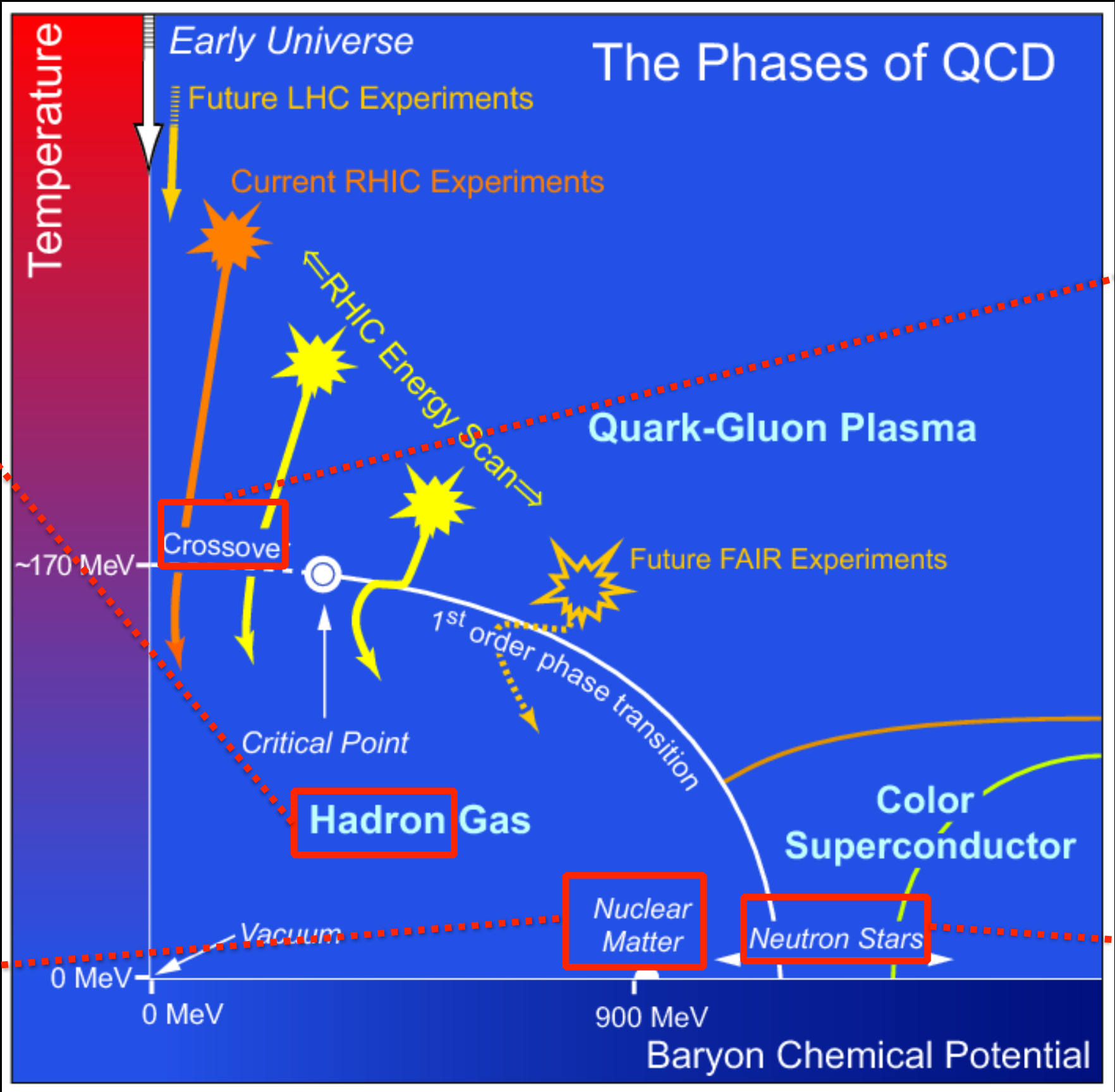
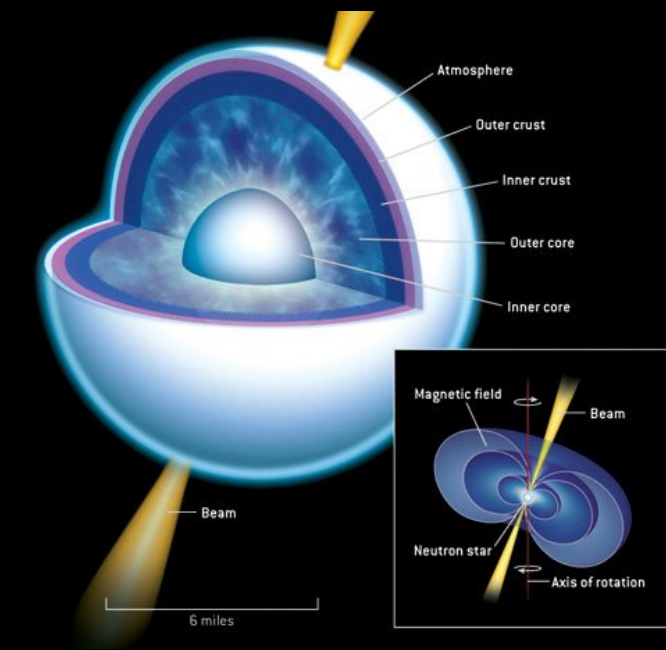
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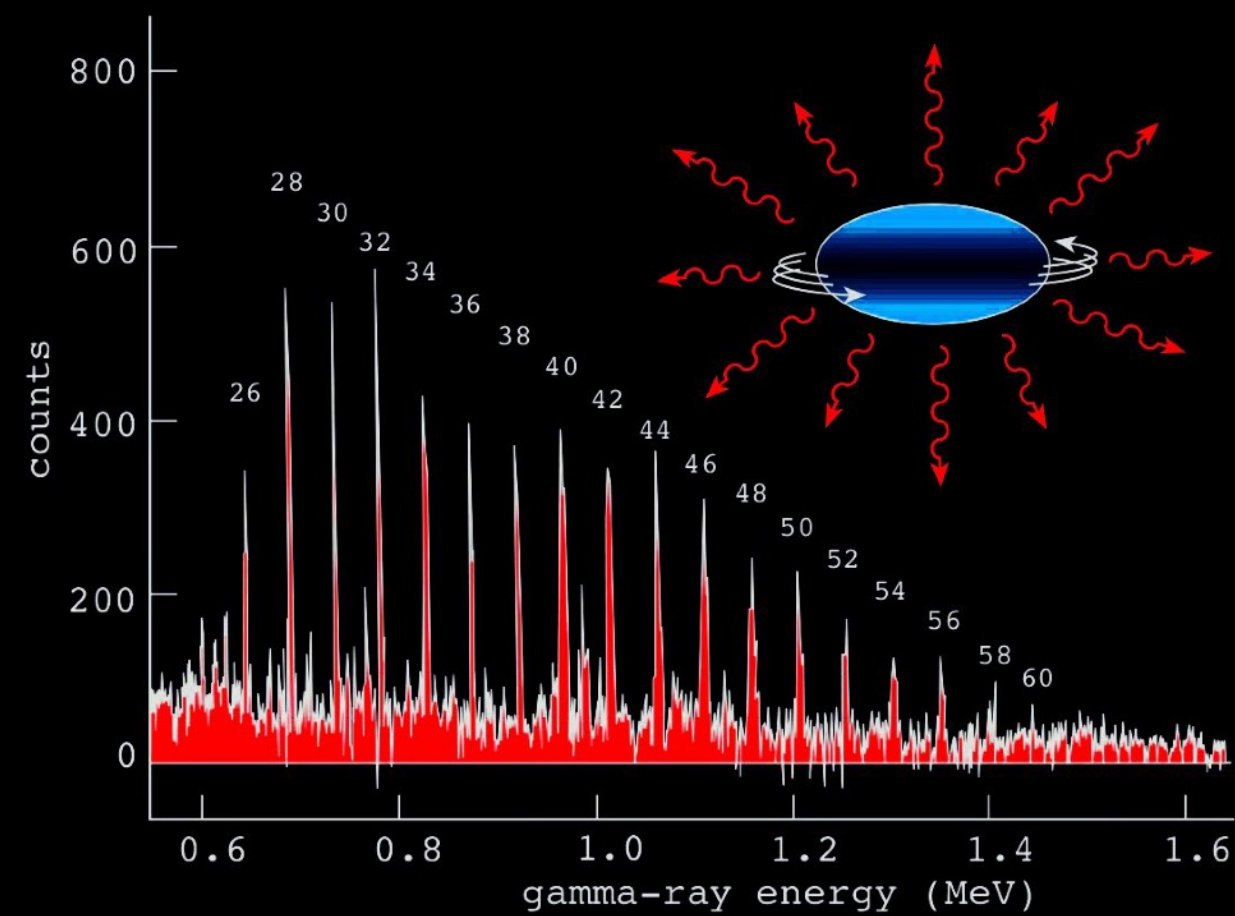


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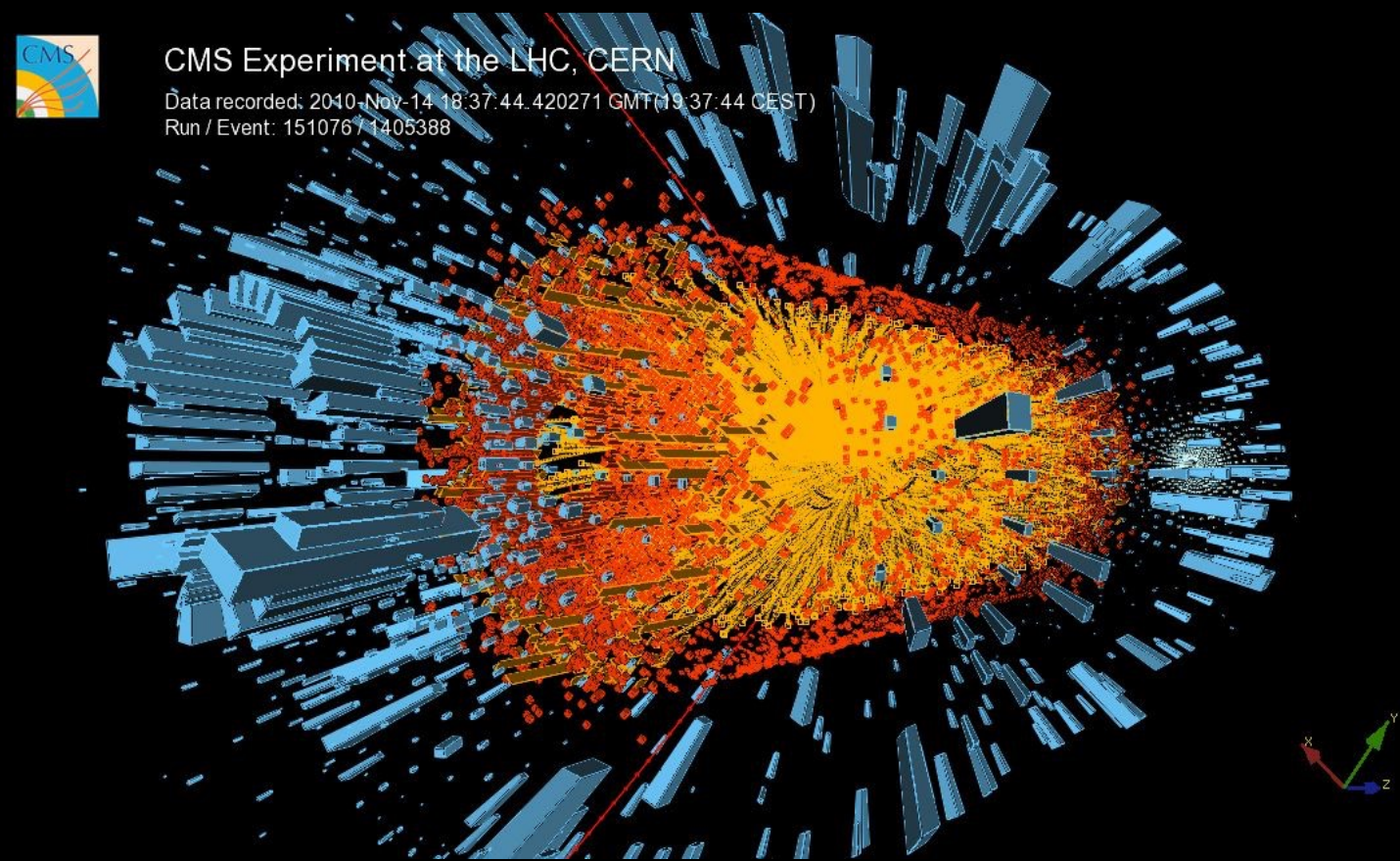


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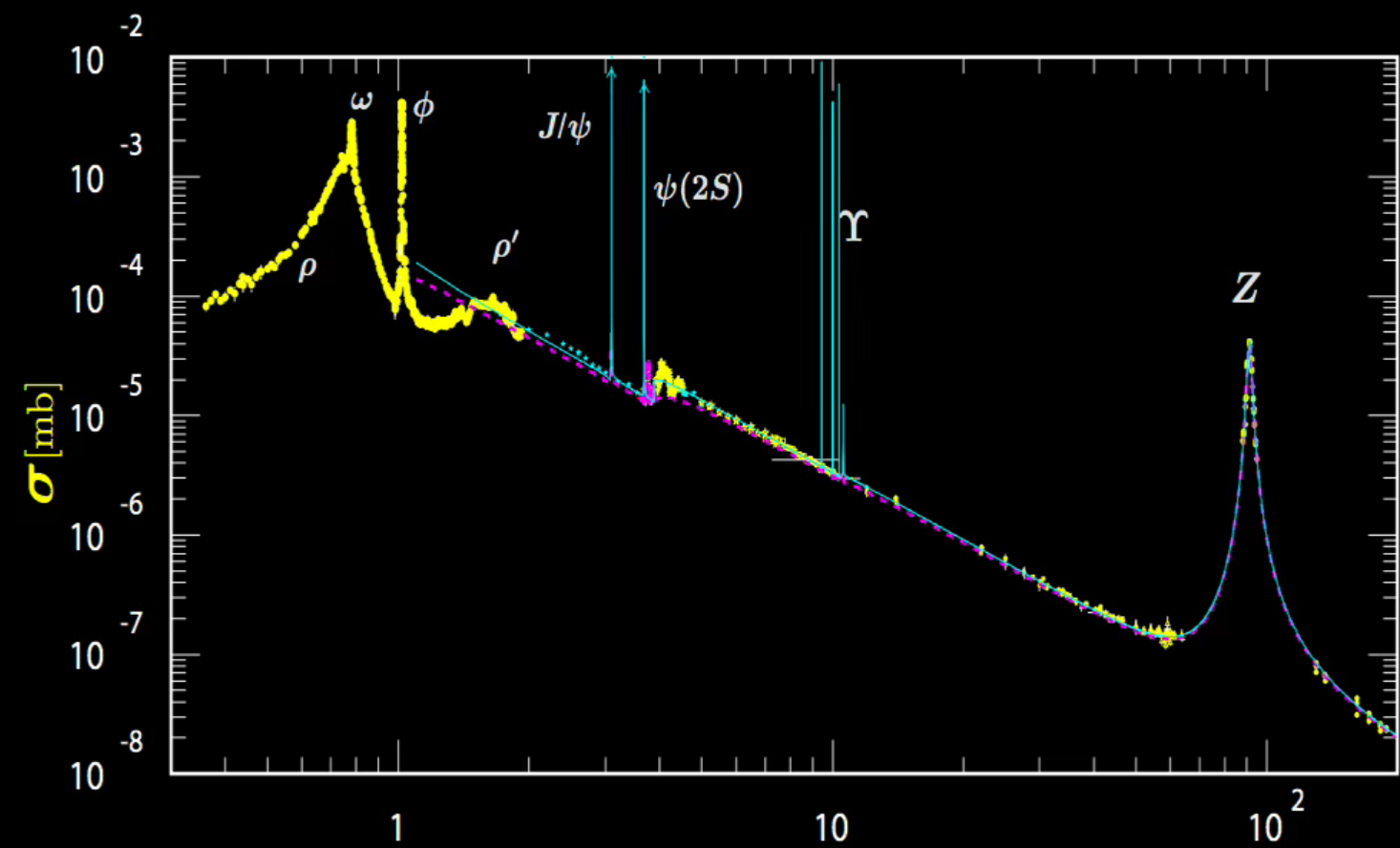
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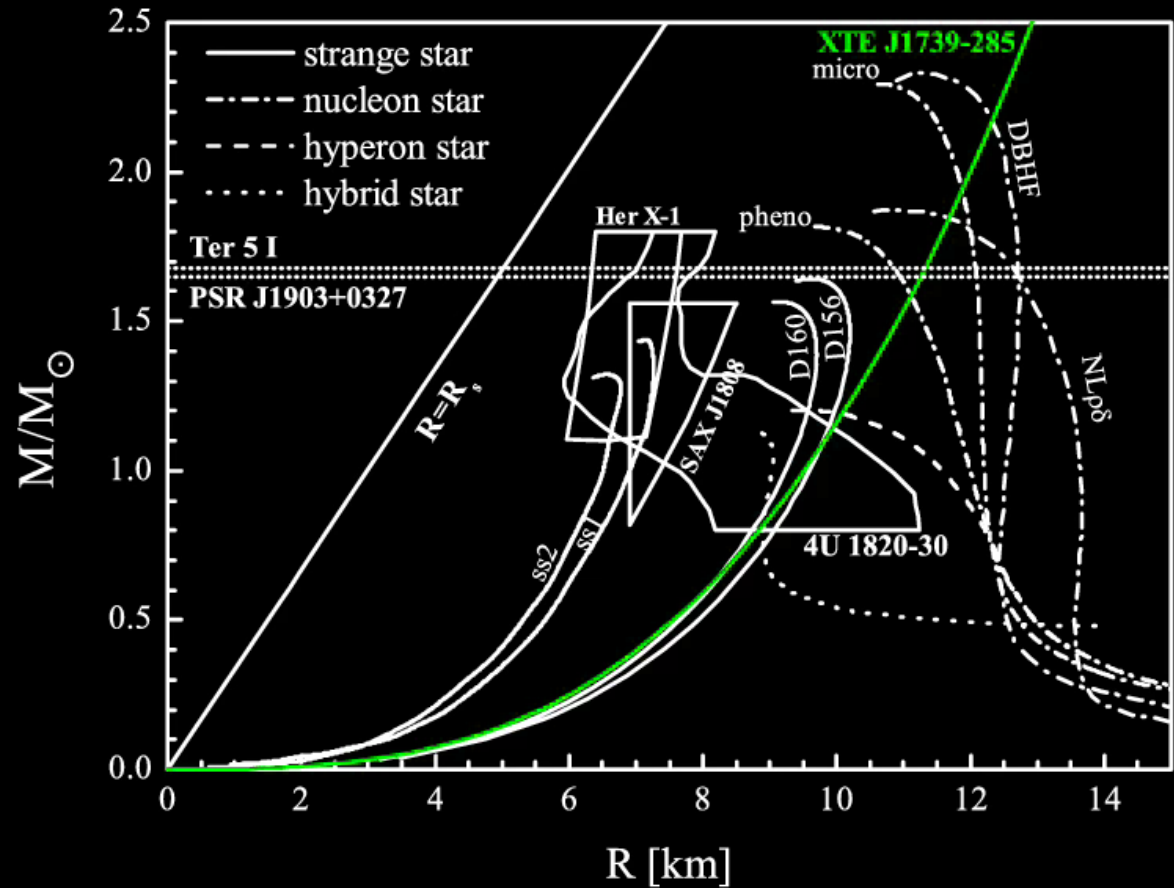
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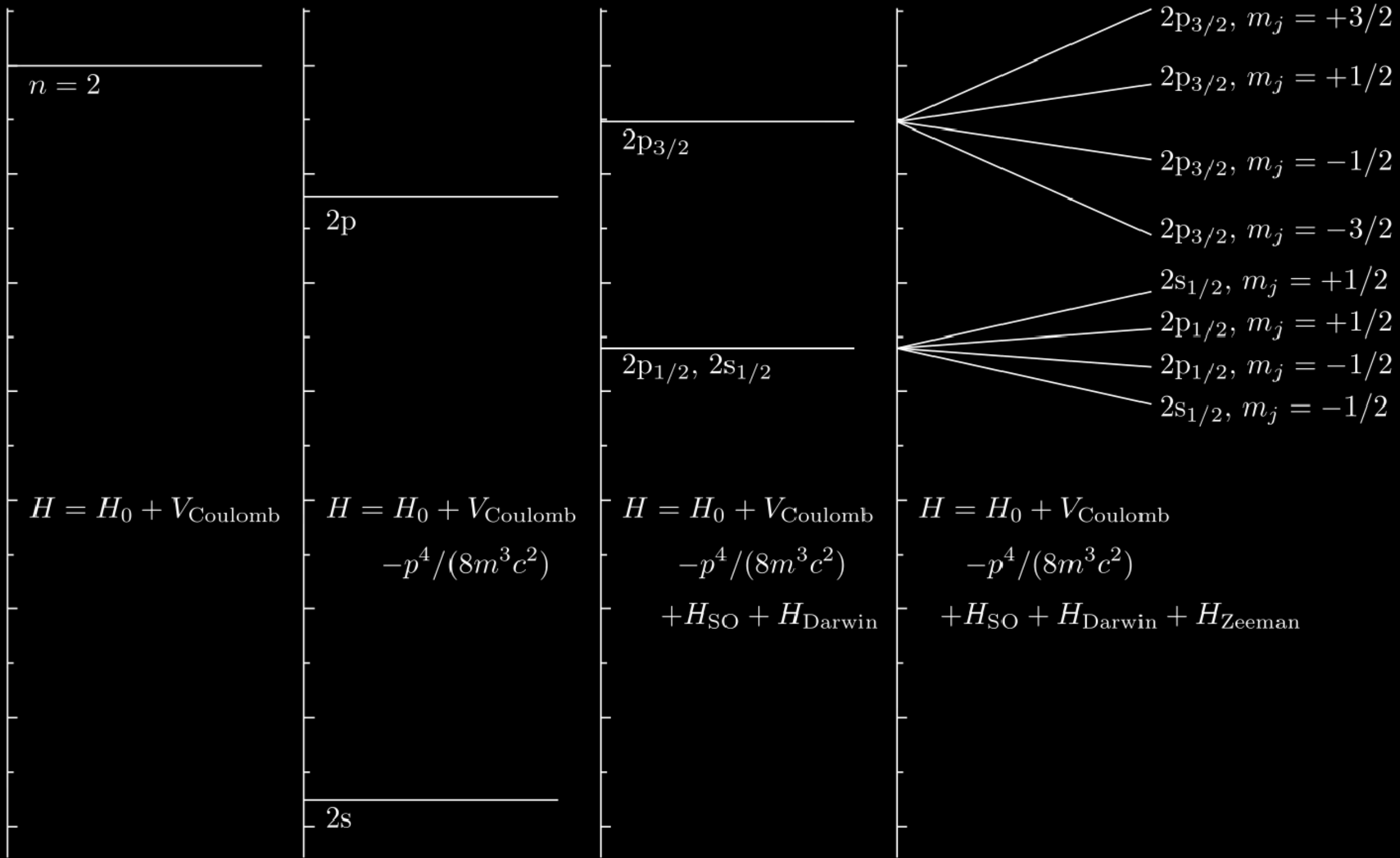
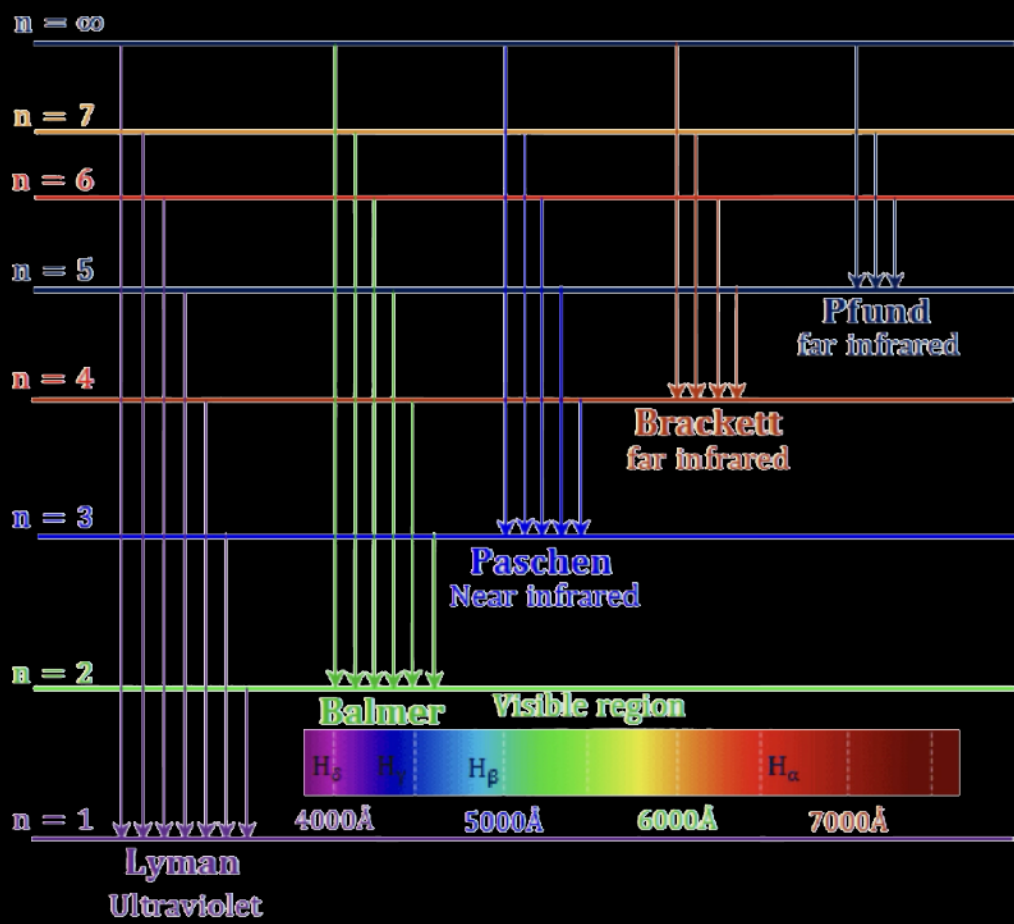
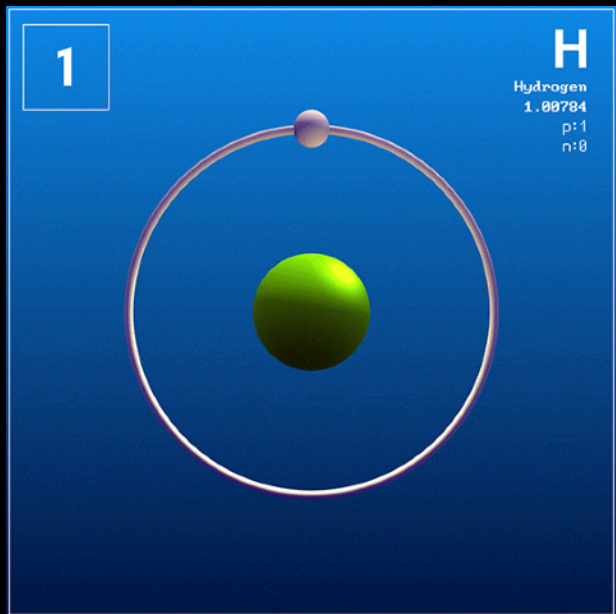
e+e- hadronic annihilation



Mass-radius relation of stars



Introduction: Lesson from QED



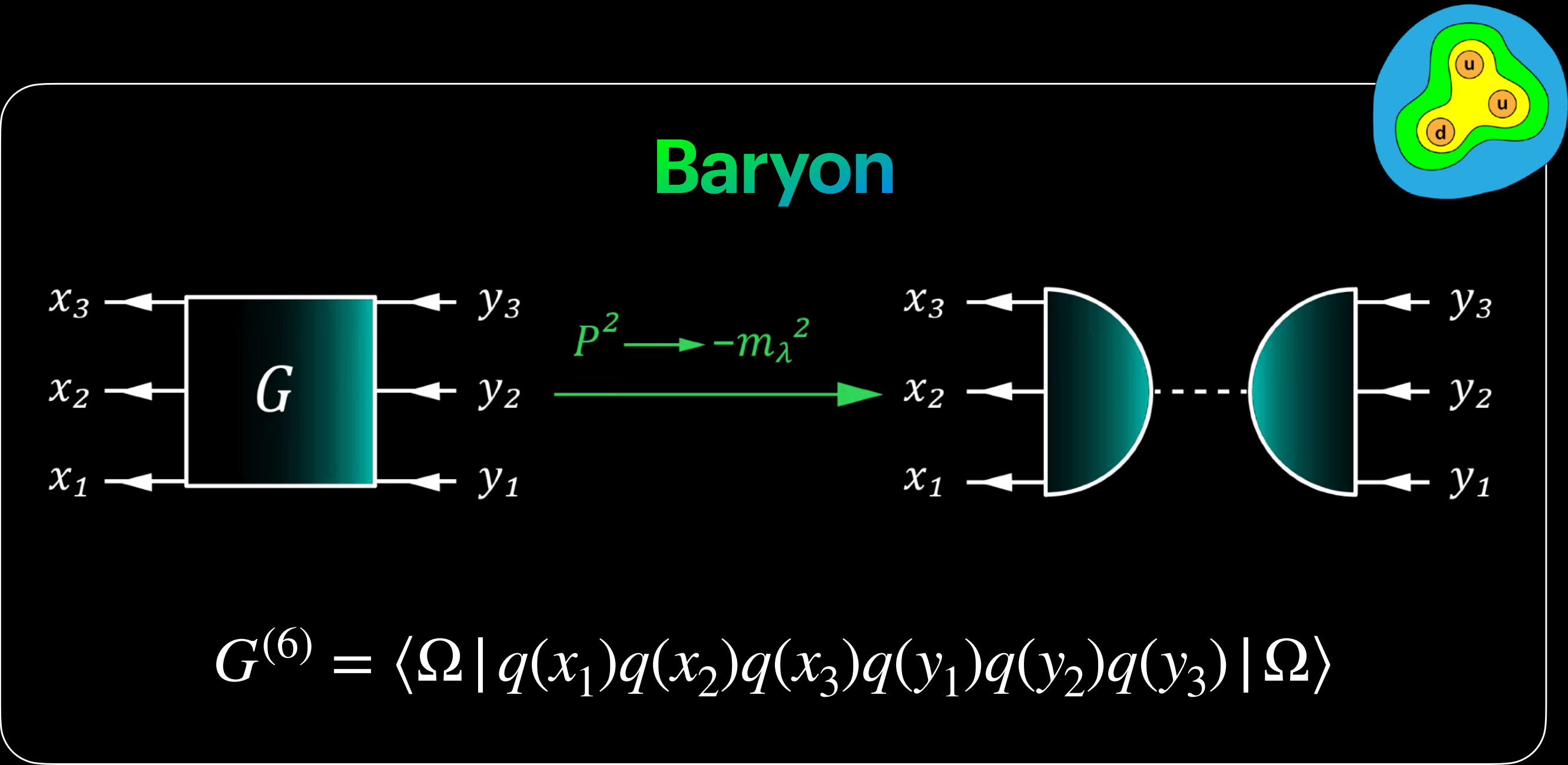
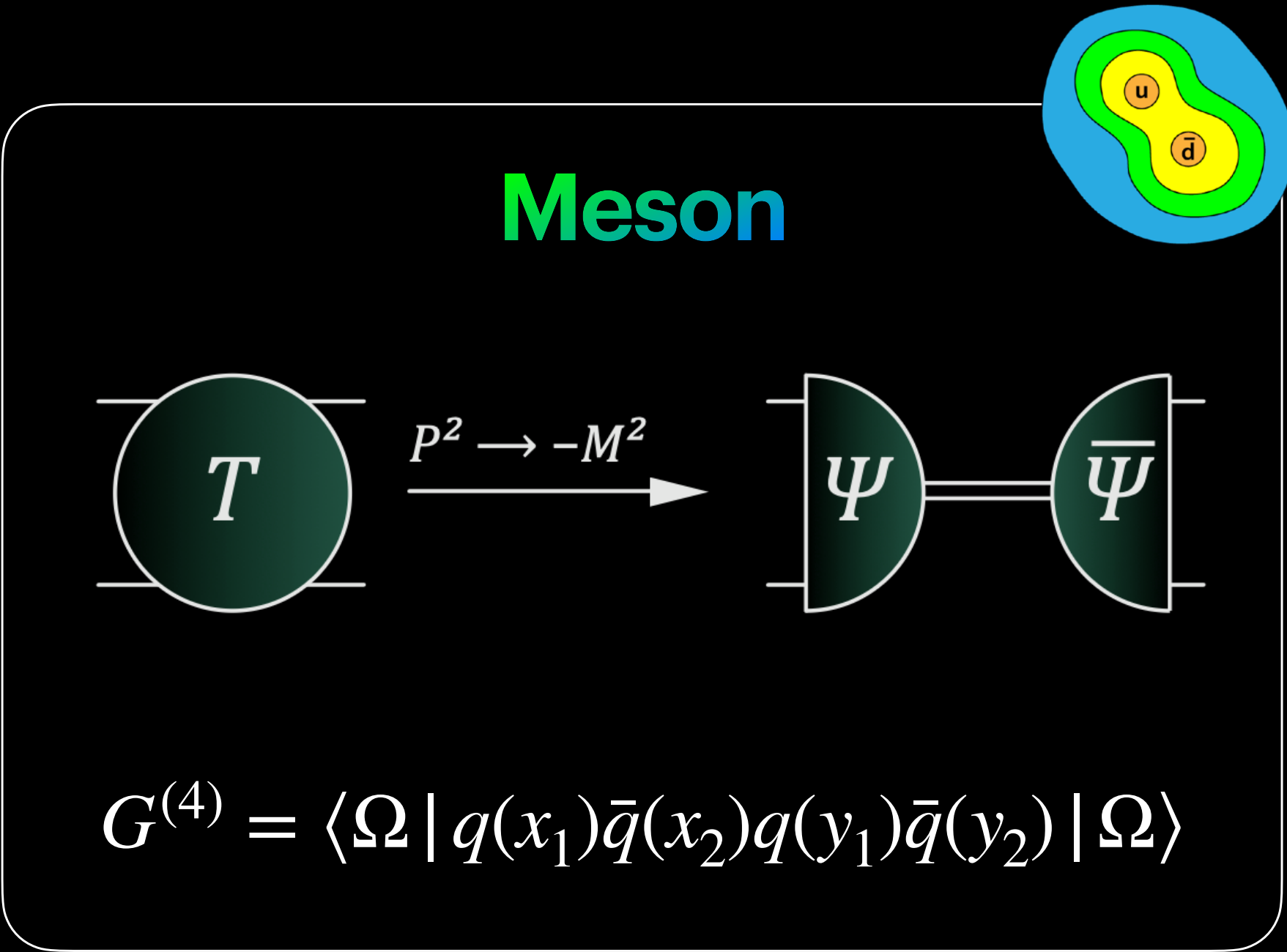
$$H = H_{\text{kinetic}} + H_{\text{Coulomb}} + H_{\text{spin-orbit}} + H_{\text{relativistic}} + H_{\text{vacuum}}$$

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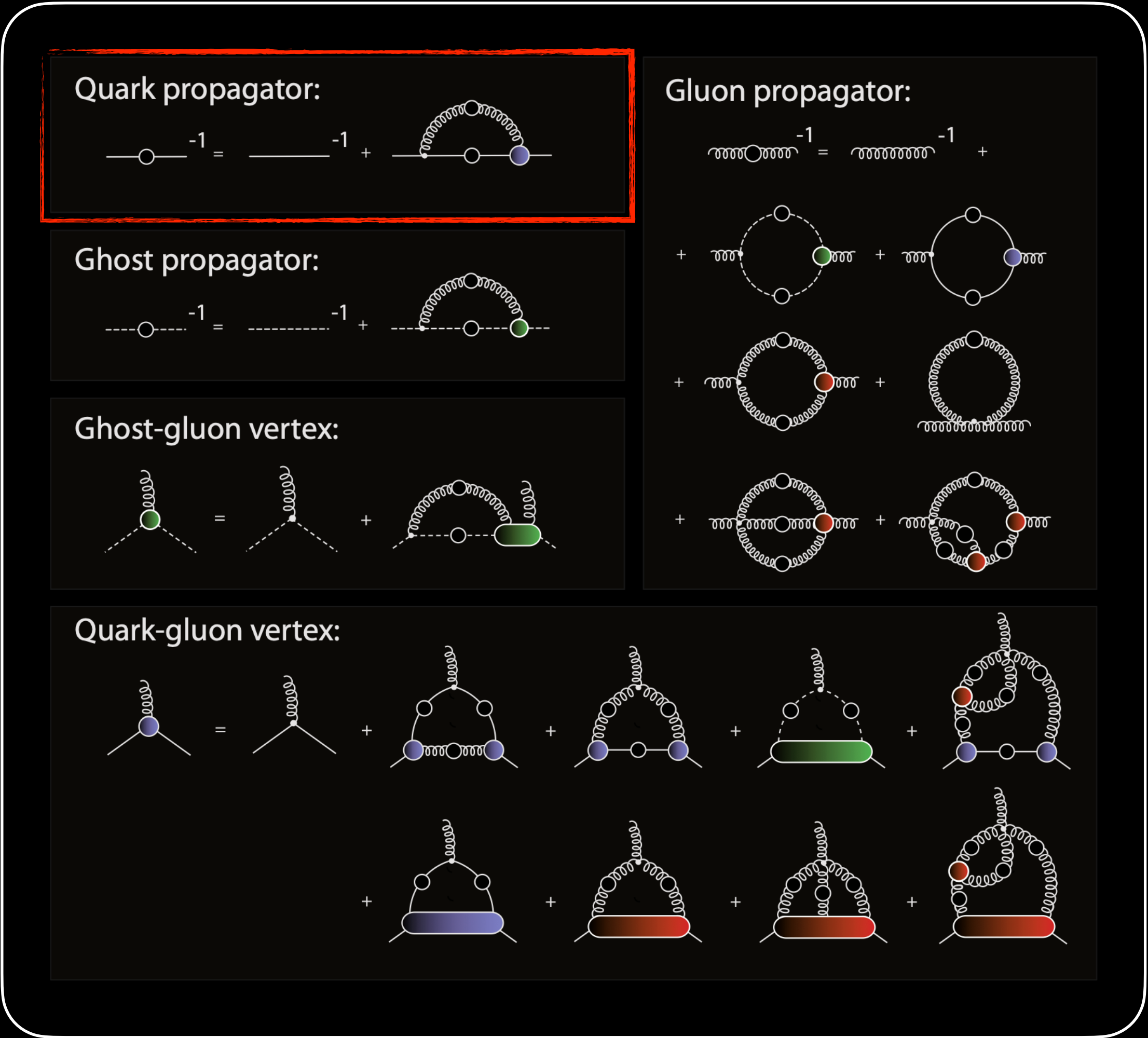
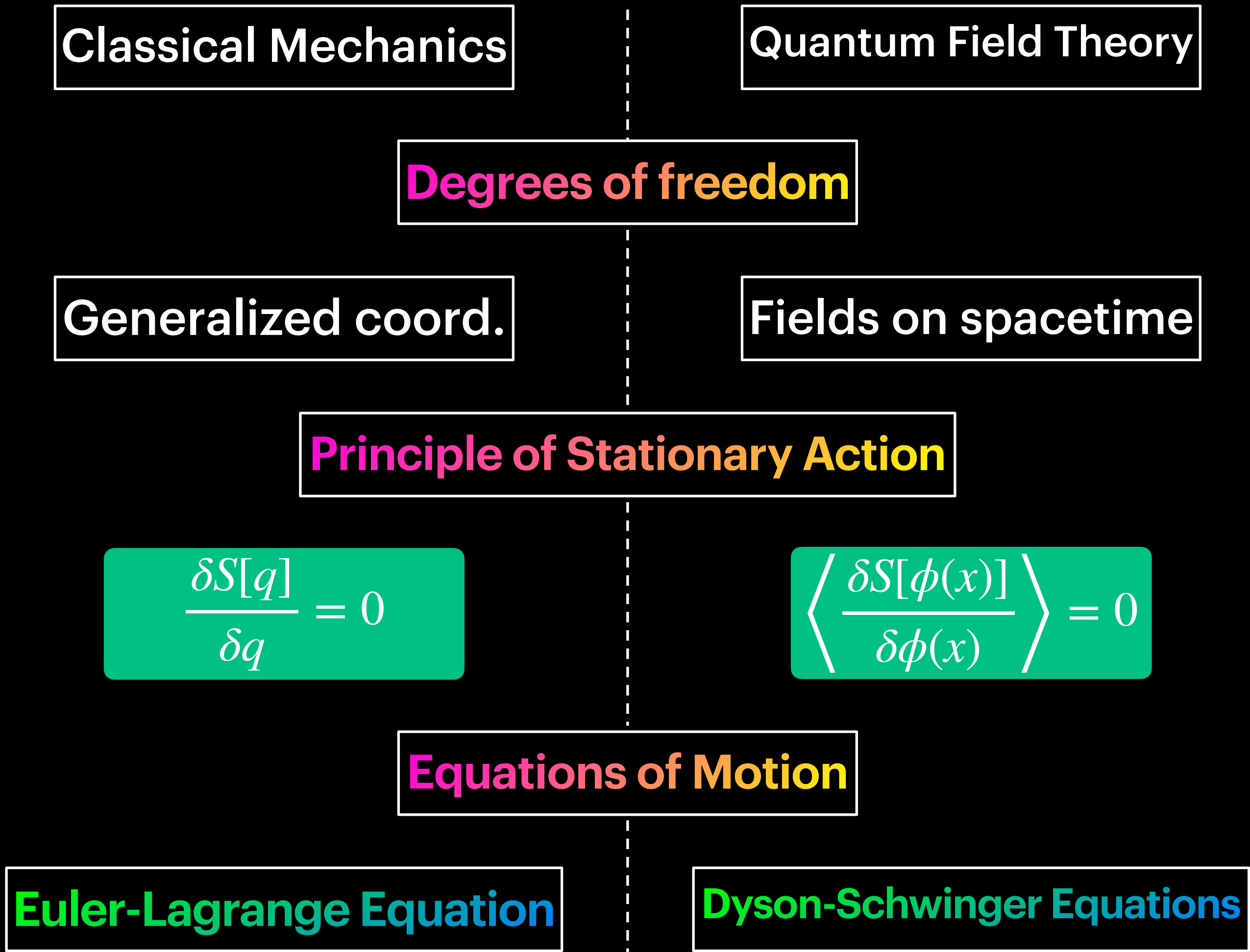
Framework: Equation of Motion (DSE)

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{\psi}_i \left[i \left(\gamma^\mu D_\mu \right)_{ij} - m \delta_{ij} \right] \psi_j - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu}$$

Green functions of QCD



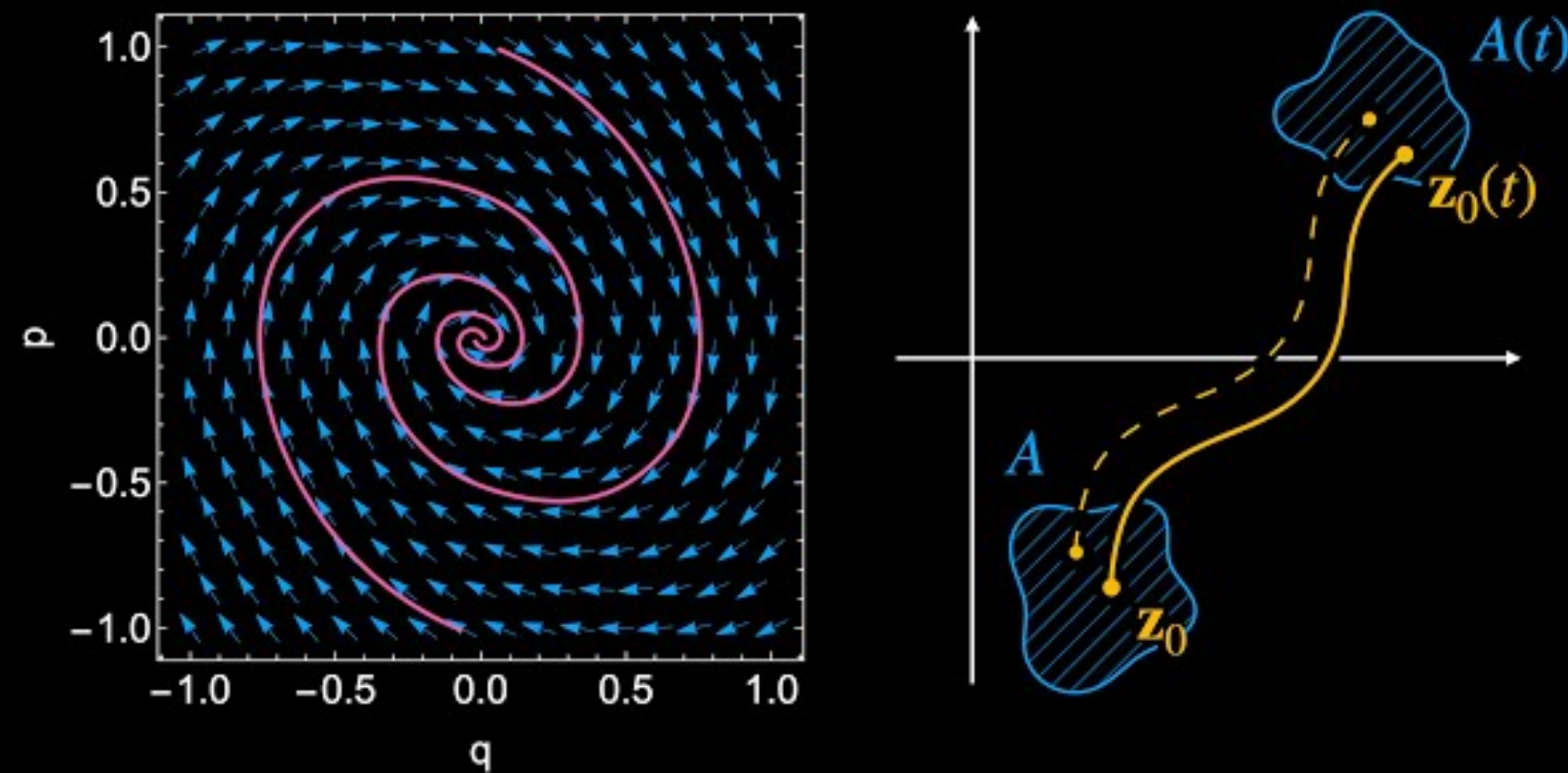
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Liouville equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \{\rho, H\} = 0$$



BBGKY hierarchy

$$\frac{\partial \rho_n}{\partial t} = \{H_n, \rho_n\} + (N - n) \sum_{i=1}^n \int \frac{\partial \rho_{n+1}}{\partial \mathbf{p}_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \phi_{i n+1}}{\partial \mathbf{r}_i} dz_{n+1}$$
 DSE-like

One-body function

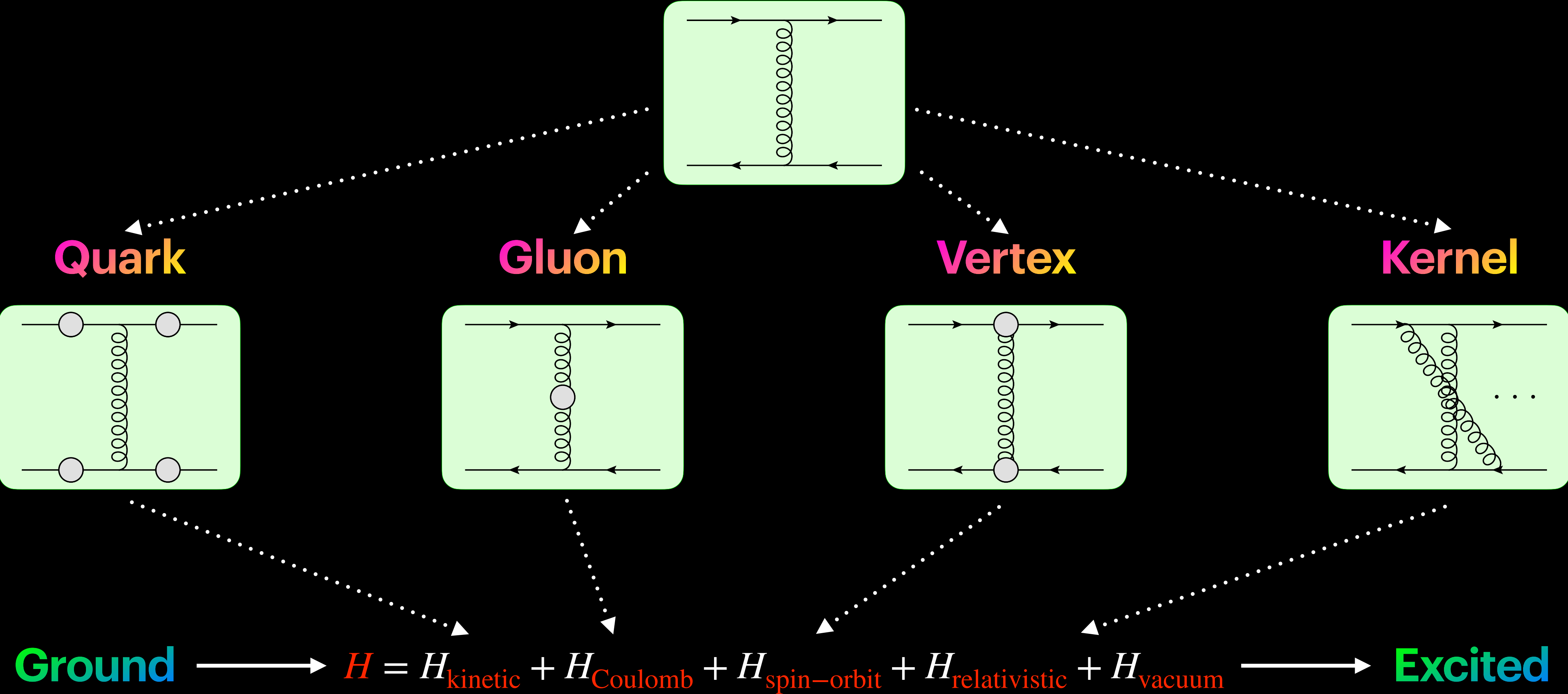
$$\rho_1(z_1) = \int_D \rho(Z, t) dz_2 \cdots dz_N$$

propagator-like

Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{\partial \rho_1}{\partial t} = \{H_1, \rho_1\} + \int [\rho_1(\mathbf{p}'_1) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}'_2) - \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_1) \rho_1(\mathbf{p}_2)] N \nu d\sigma d^3 \mathbf{p}_2$$

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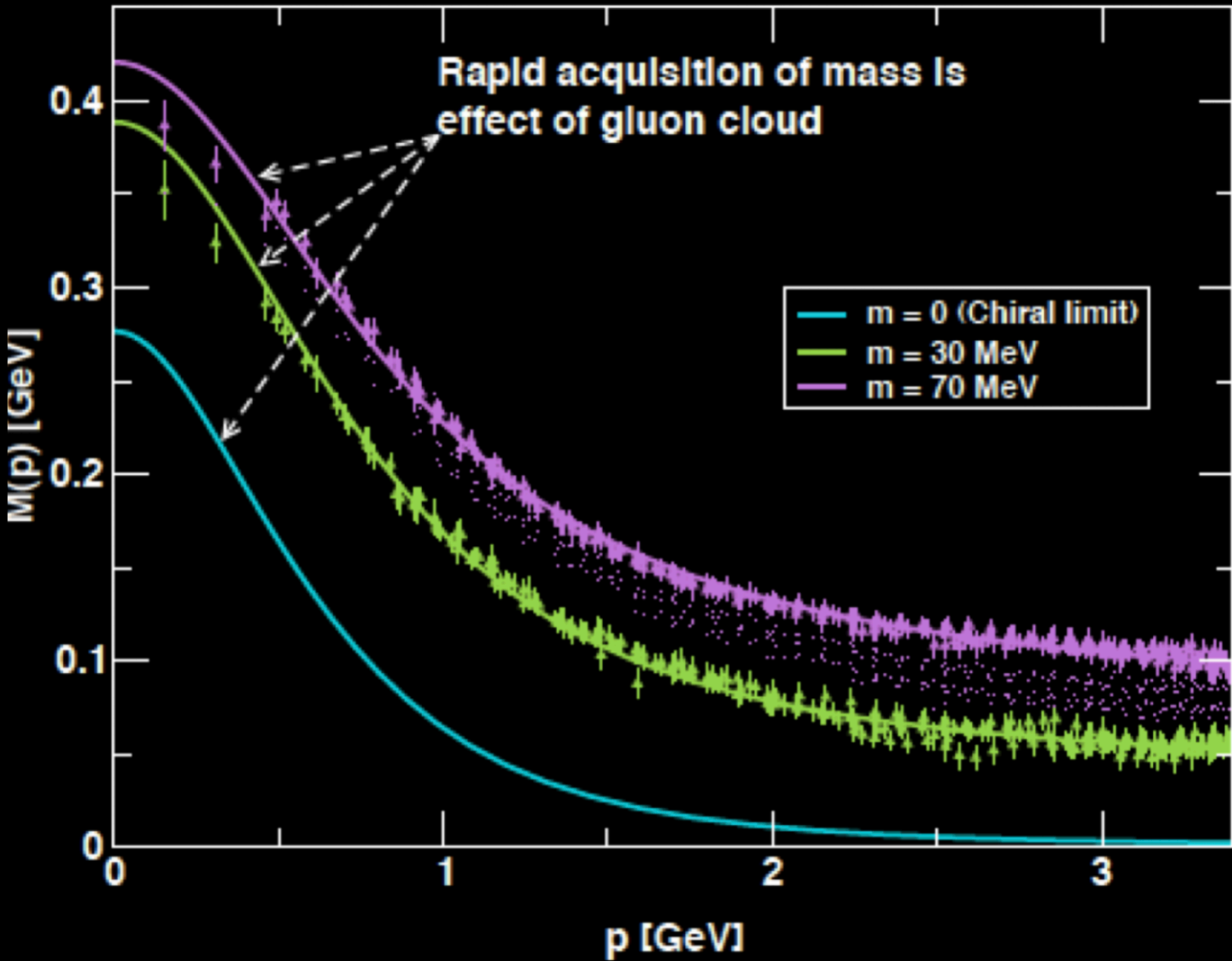
► Quark propagator:

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

► Quasi-quark:



► Mass function:



QCD vacuum — highly dispersive medium

Solution: Gluon properties

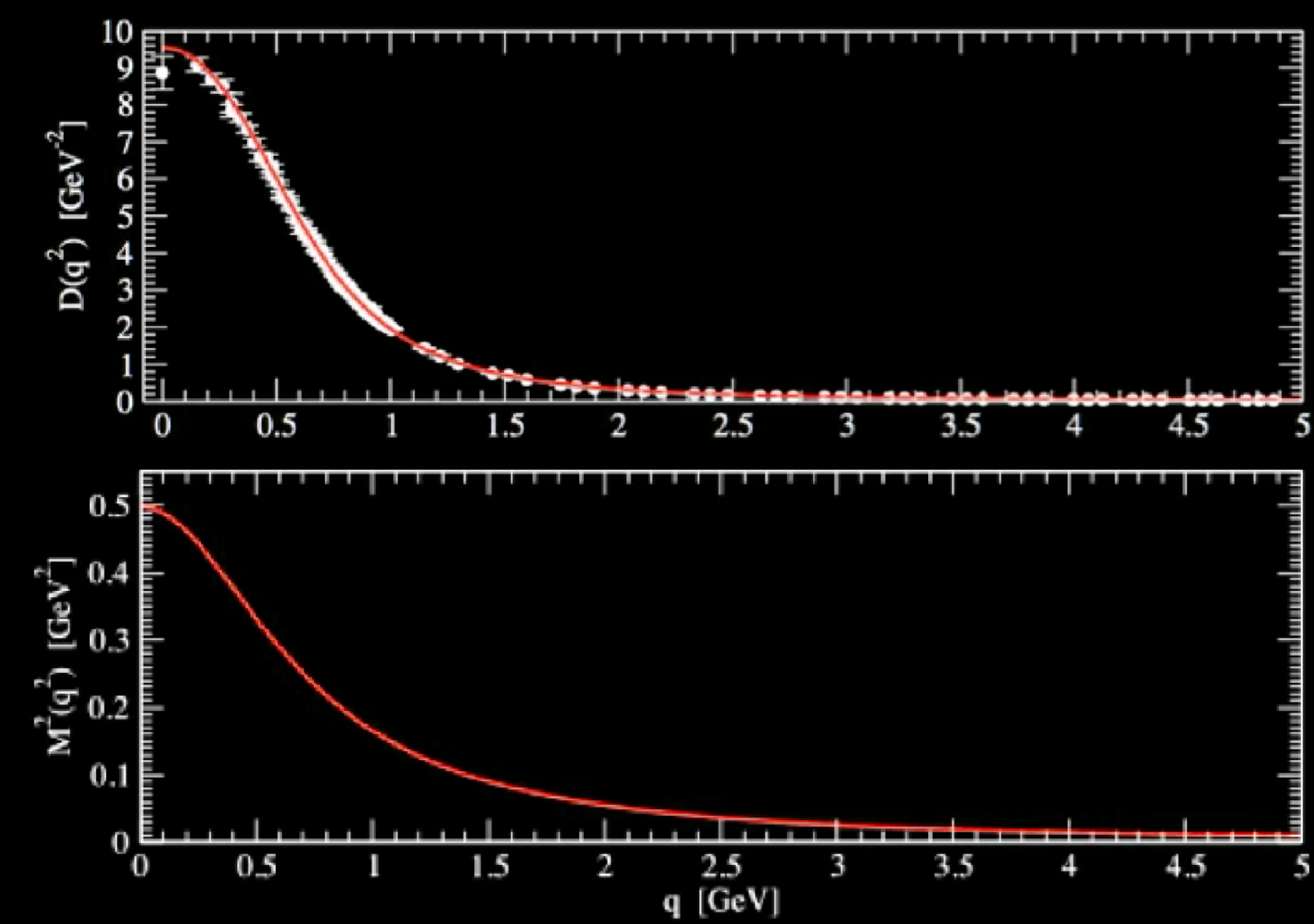
► Gluon propagator:

$$\mathcal{G}(k^2) \approx \frac{4\pi\alpha_s(k^2)}{k^2 + m_g^2(k^2)}$$

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

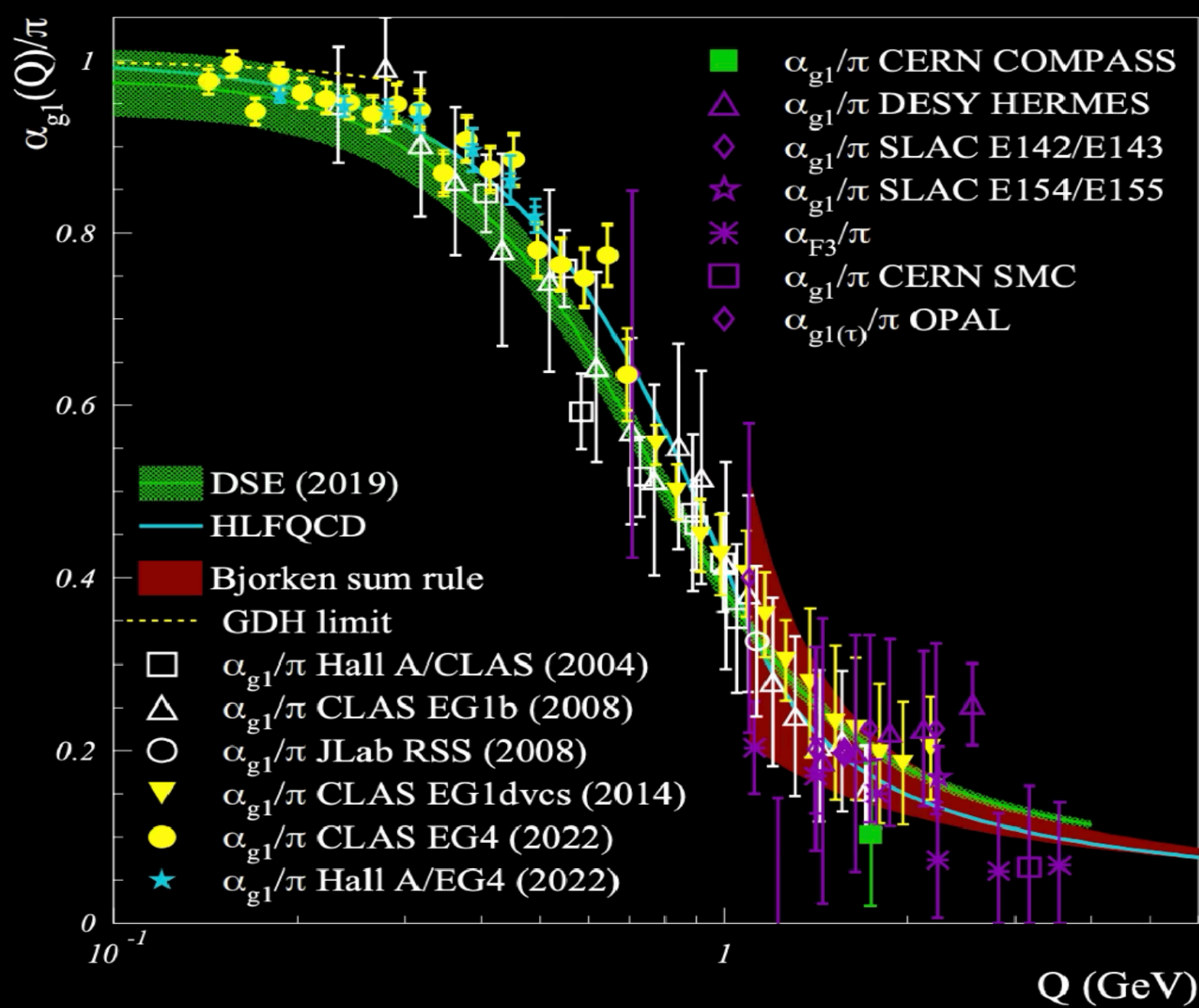
$$\alpha_s(0) \sim \pi$$

► Quasi-gluon:



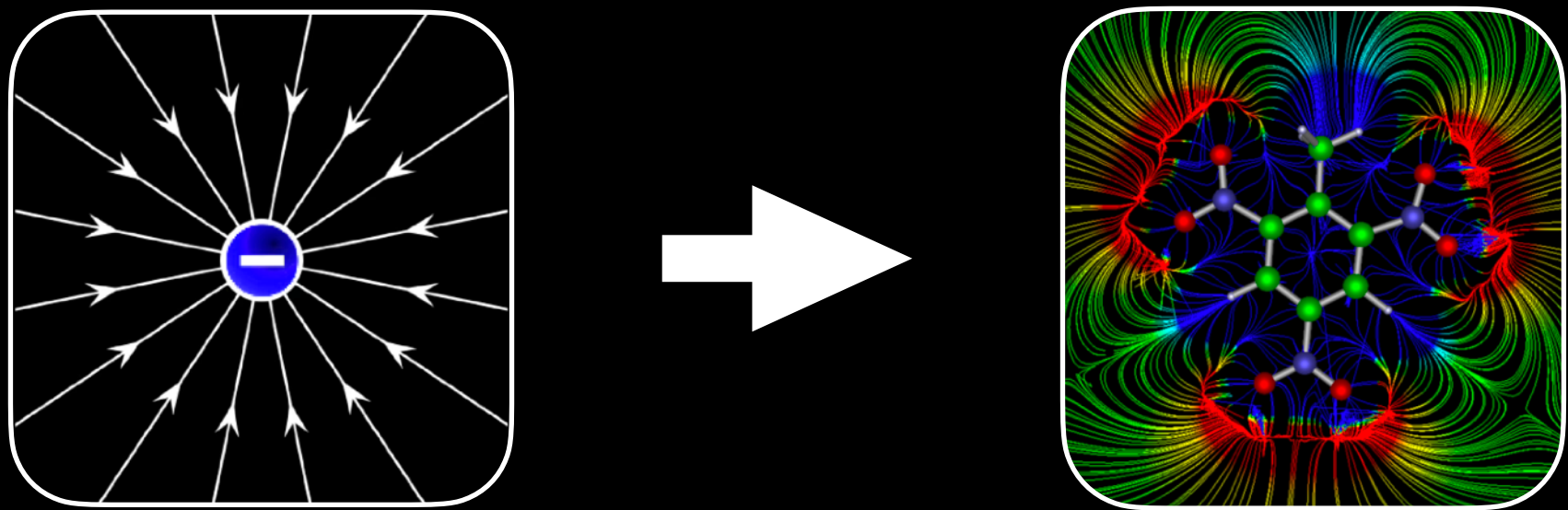
well-defined
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► Running coupling:



Solution: Vertex structures

► Quark-gluon vertex:



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

Dirac

Pauli

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► DCSB feedback:

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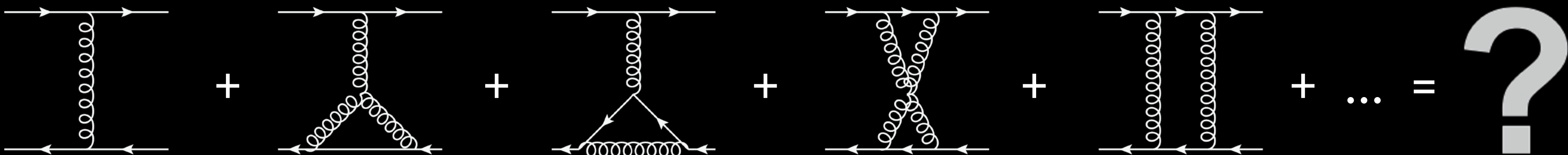
Ward identities (Symmetries)

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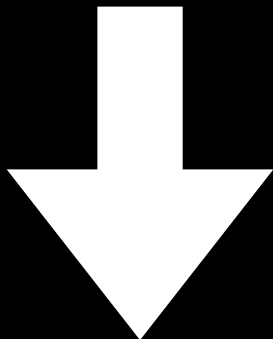
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DCSB rendered

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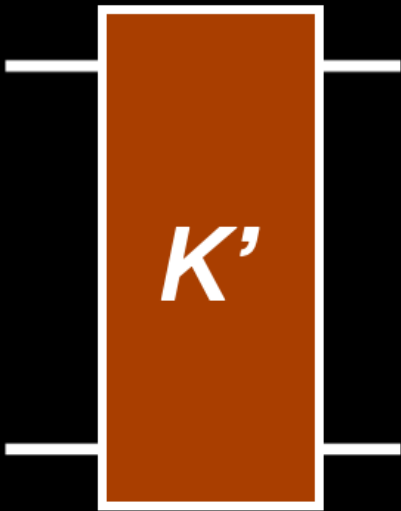
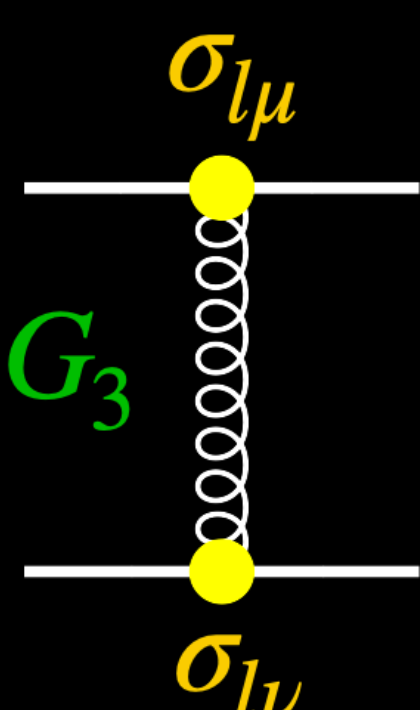
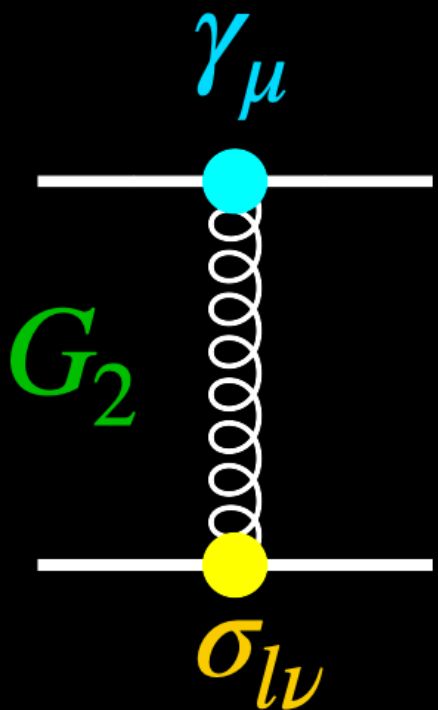
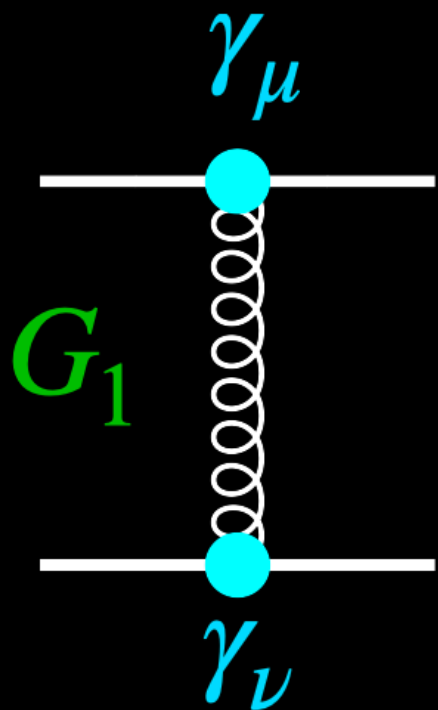


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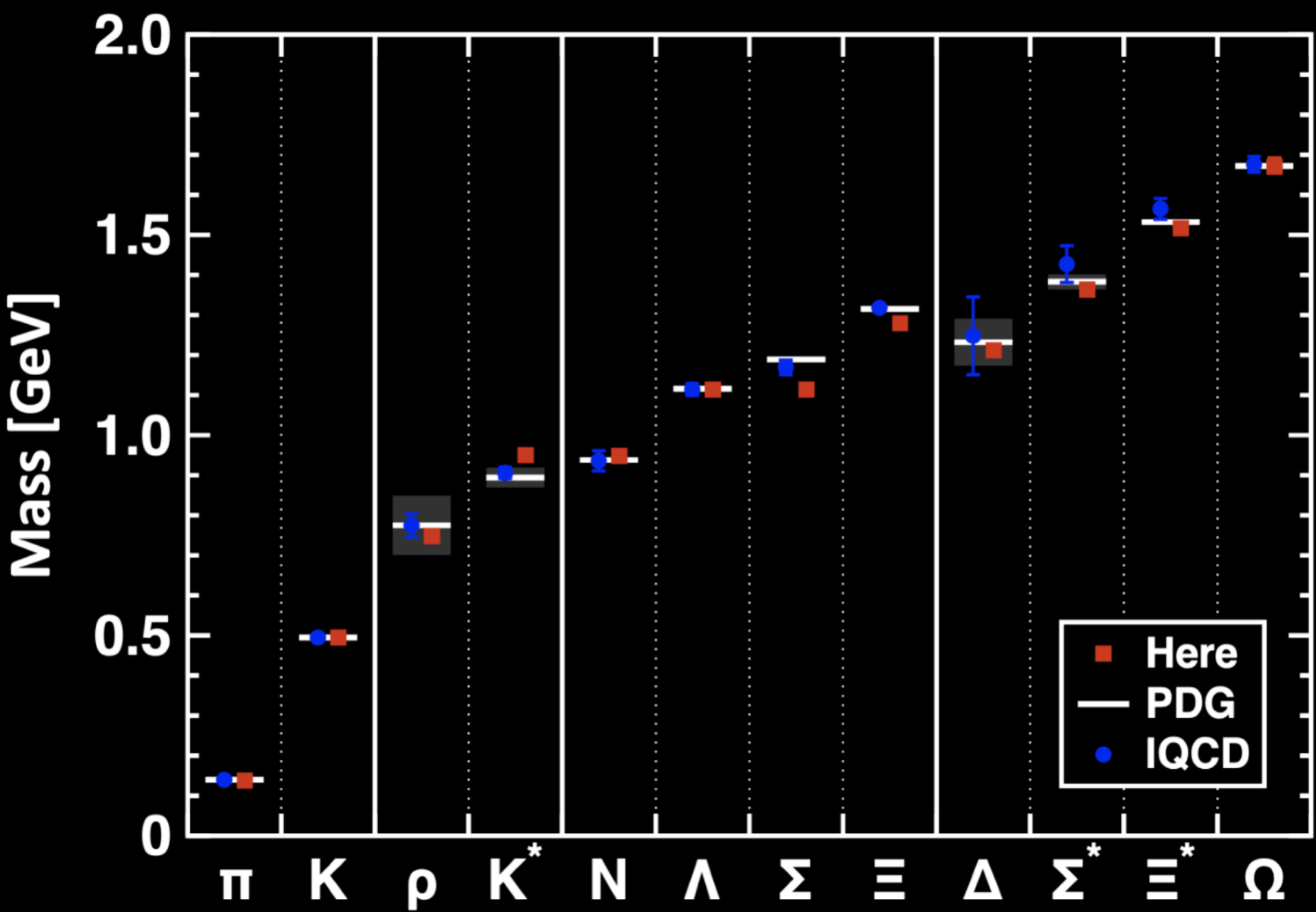


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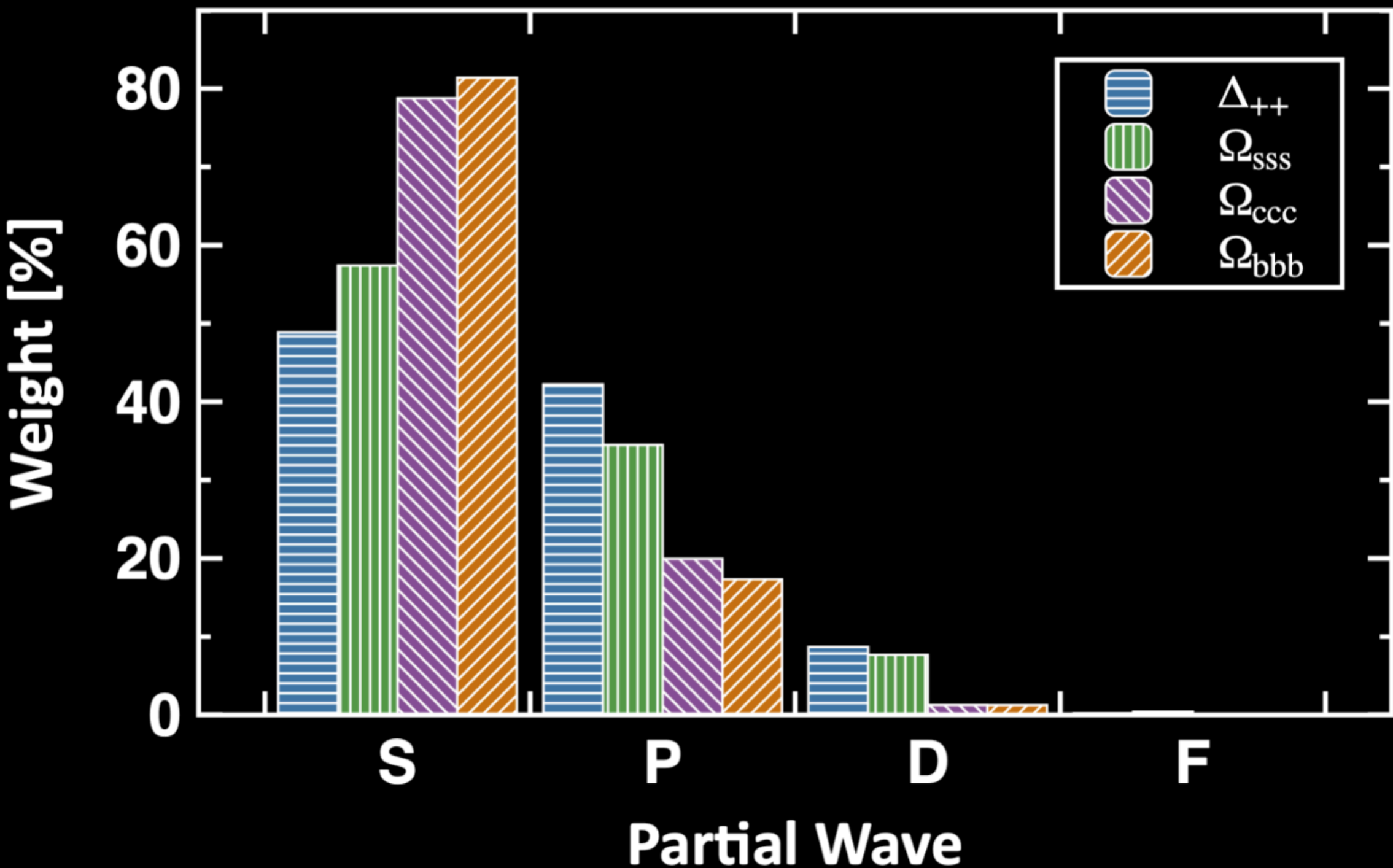
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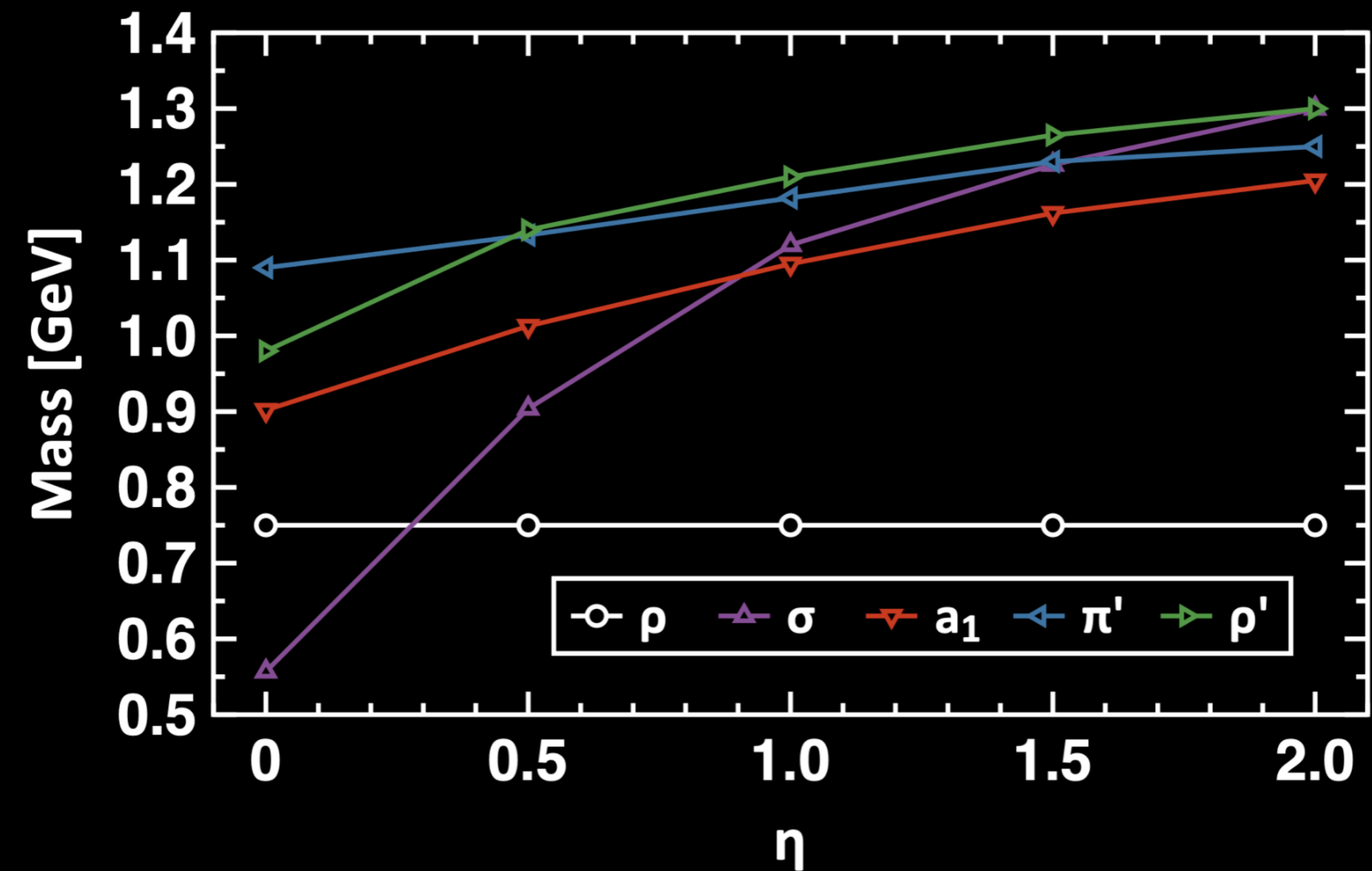
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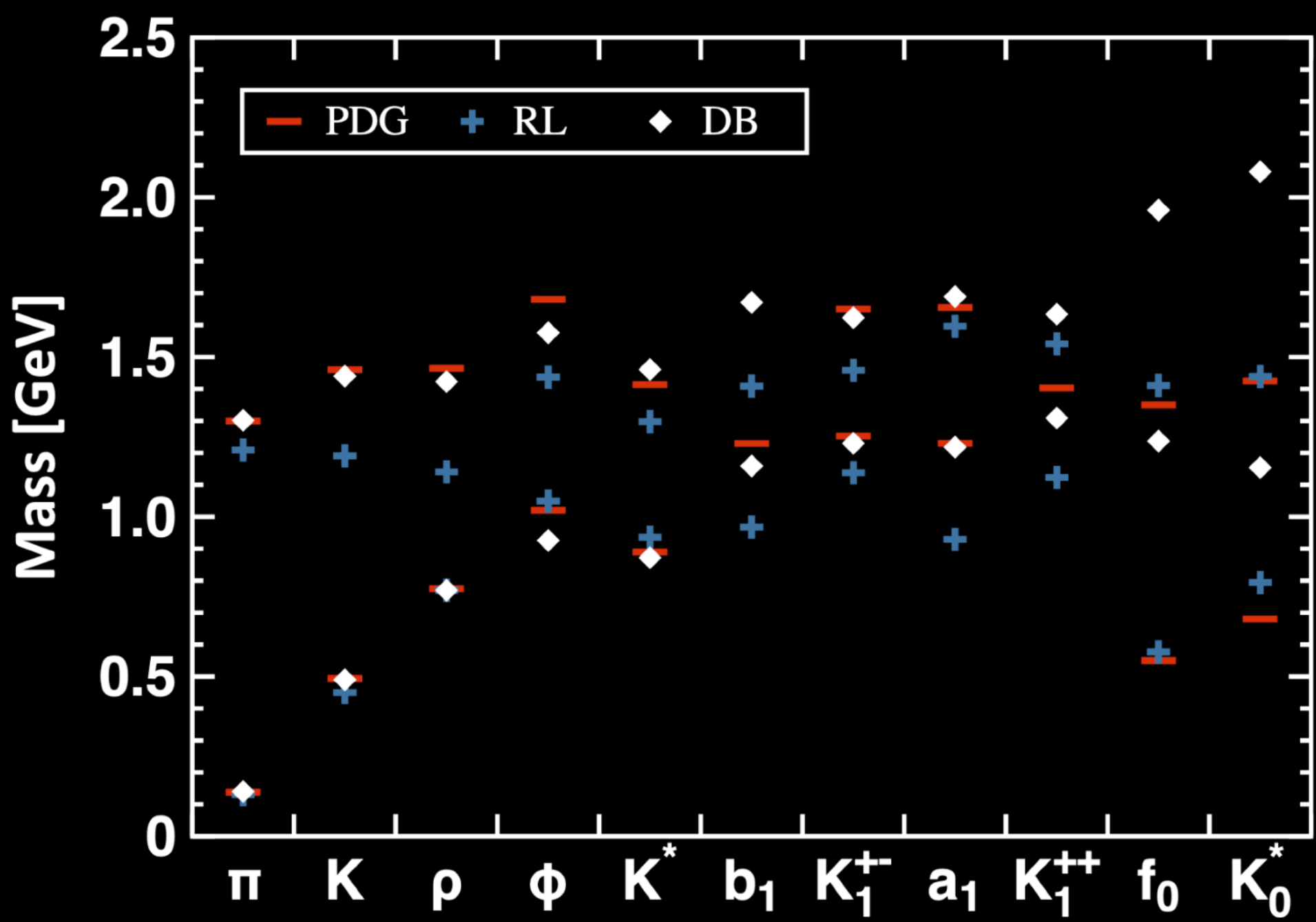
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