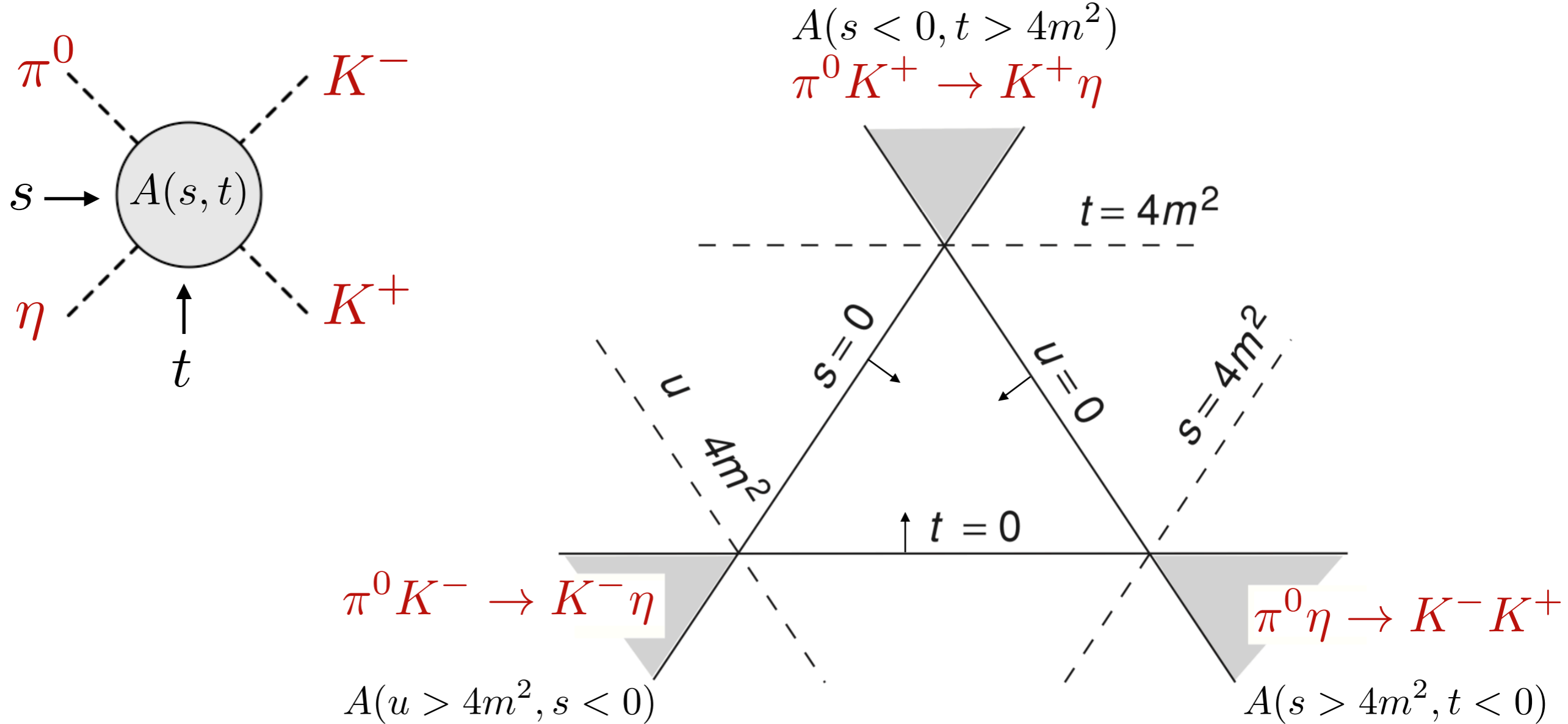


Regge Theory

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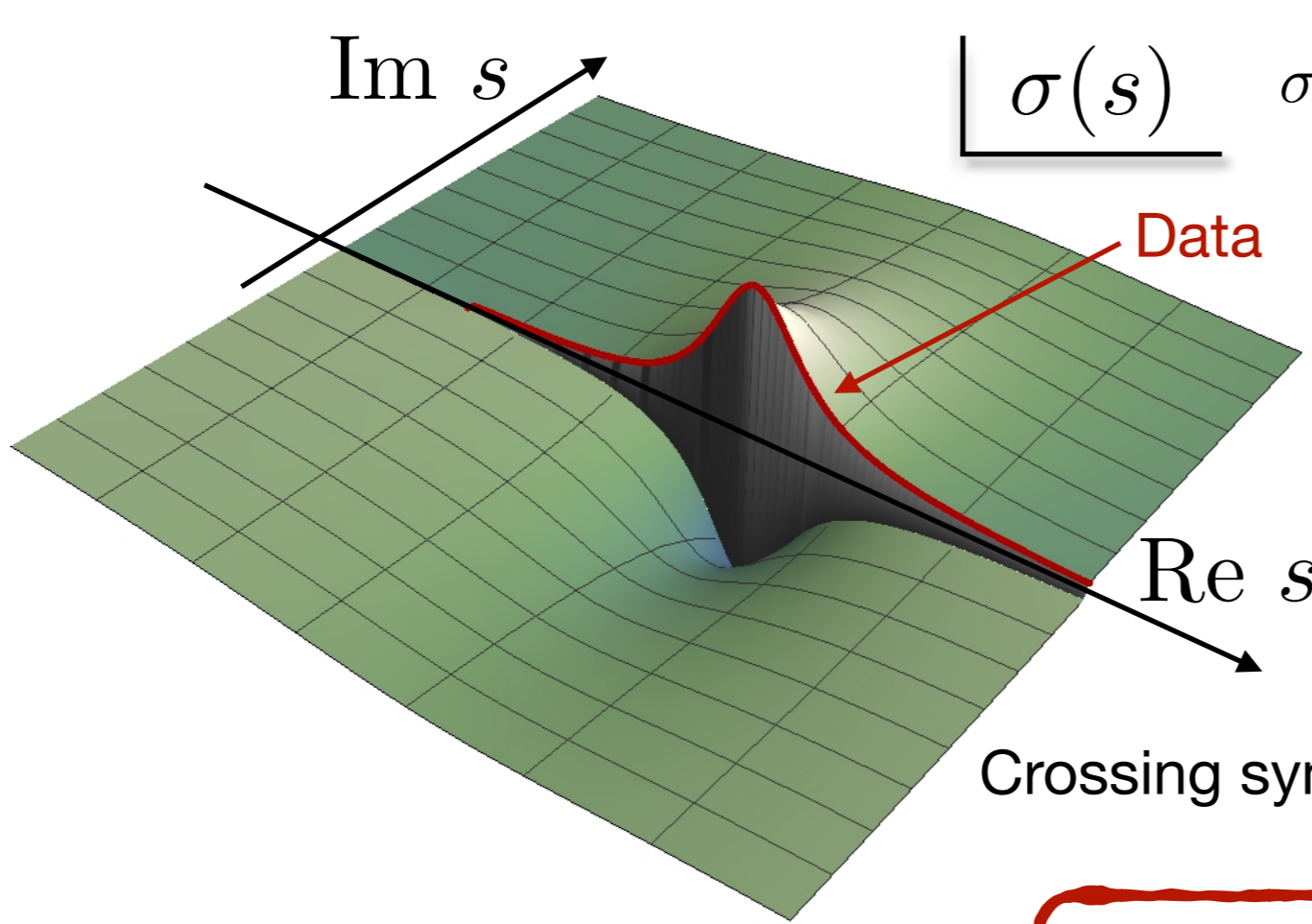
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$$s + t + u = 4m^2$$

All mesons having mass m



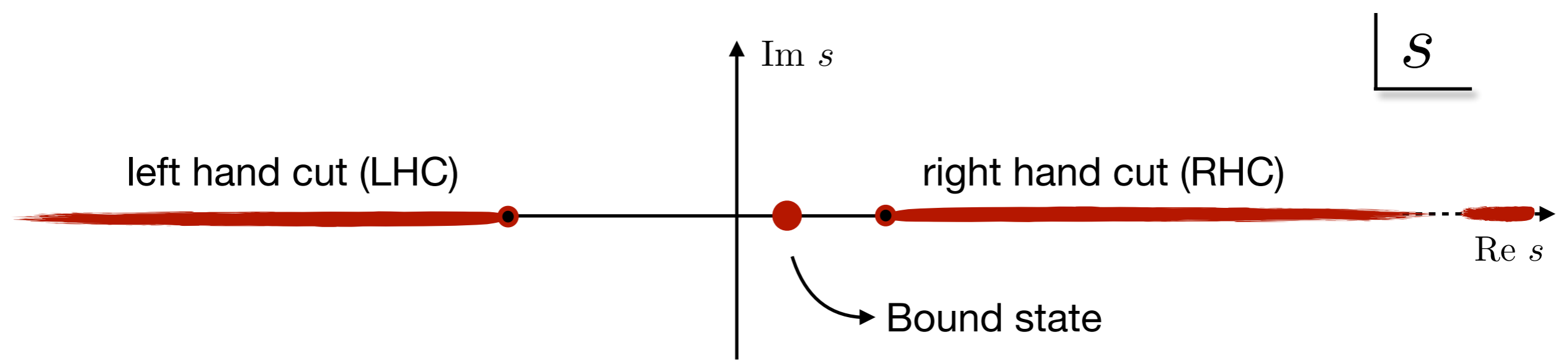
$\sigma(s)$ $\sigma(E_{\text{lab}}) = \text{Im} \int d^3r \int_{\sqrt{r^2}}^{\infty} dt e^{iE_{\text{lab}}(t-vr)} f(r)$

causality: $t - vr > 0$

Analyticity in upper half-plane $\text{Im } E_{\text{lab}} > 0$

Crossing symmetry implies analyticity in lower half-plane

Only allowed singularities are on the real axis



Conservation of probability

$$S S^\dagger = 1$$

$$S = 1 + iT$$

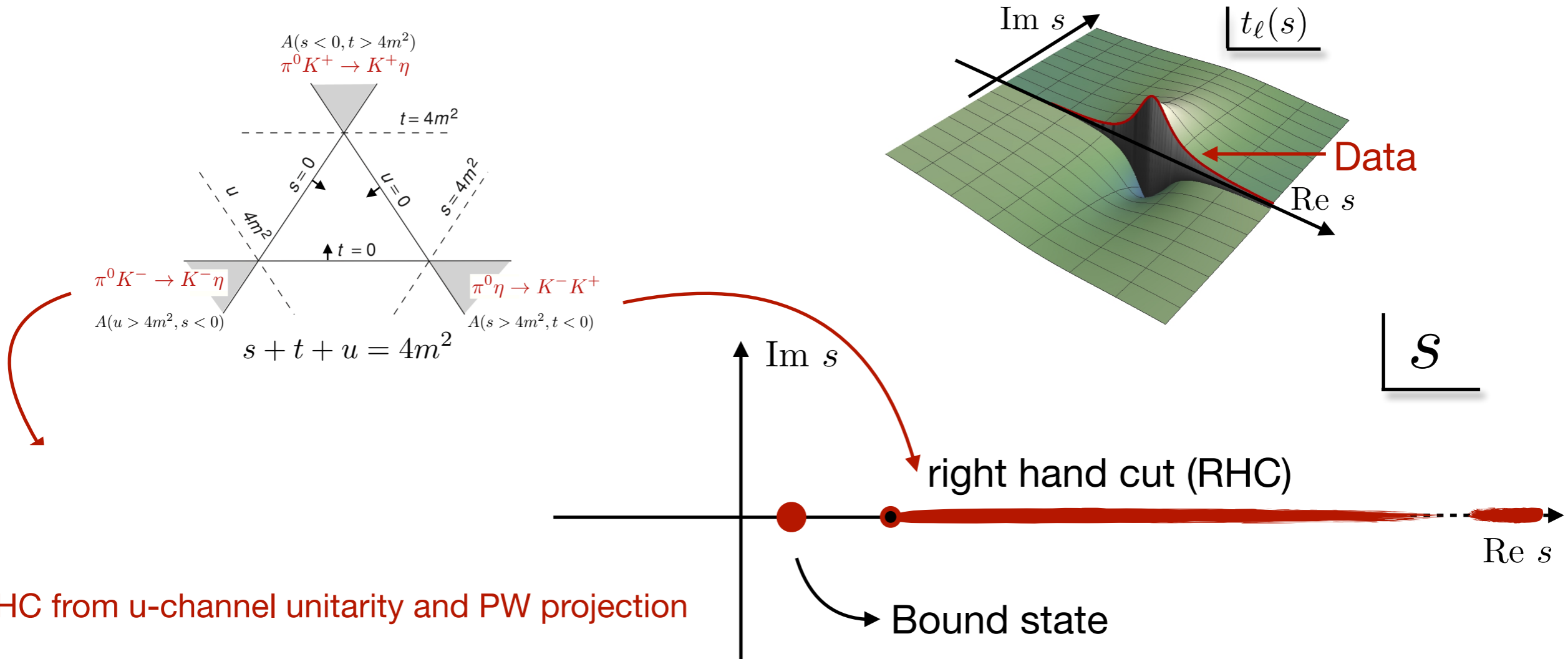
$$T - T^\dagger = iT T^\dagger$$

PW diagonalizes unitarity

$$t_\ell(s + i\epsilon) - t_\ell(s - i\epsilon) = i\rho(s)t_\ell(s + i\epsilon)t_\ell(s - i\epsilon) \quad (\text{for real } s)$$

Phase space (for real s)

$$\rho(s) \propto \sqrt{1 - 4m^2/s} \theta(s - 4m^2)$$



LHC from u-channel unitarity and PW projection

Conservation of probability

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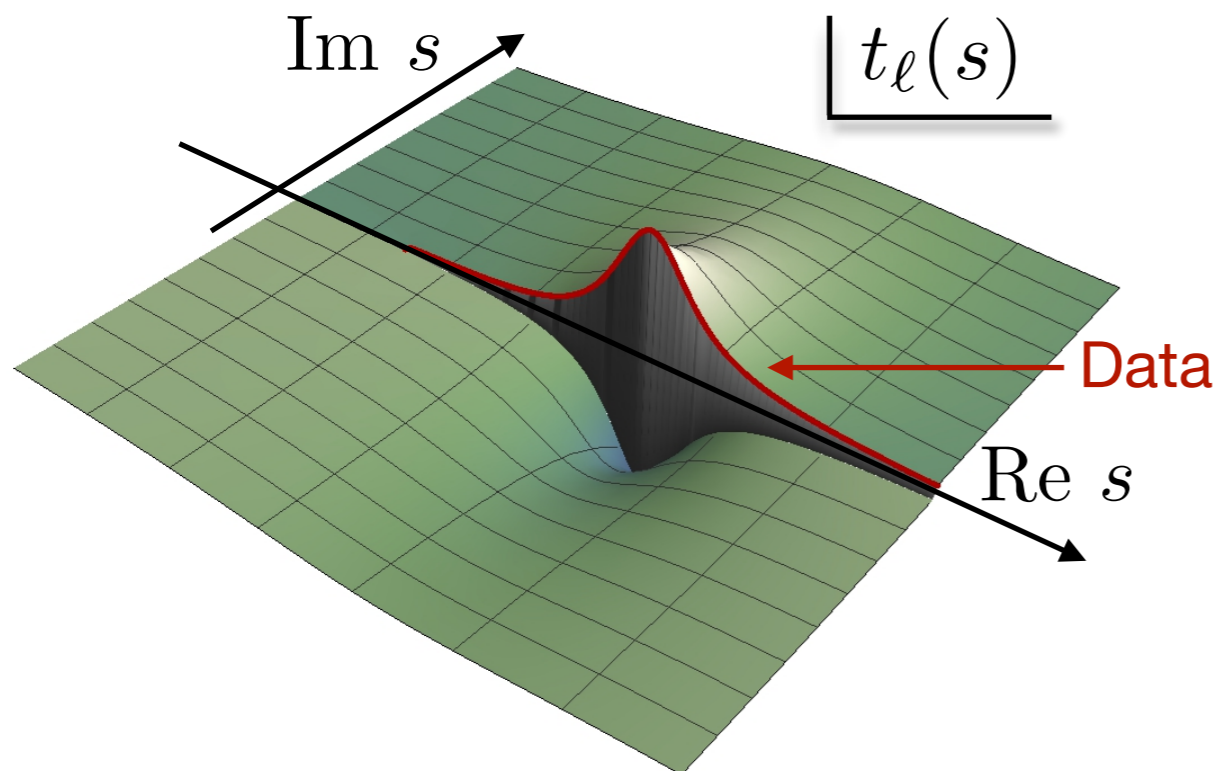
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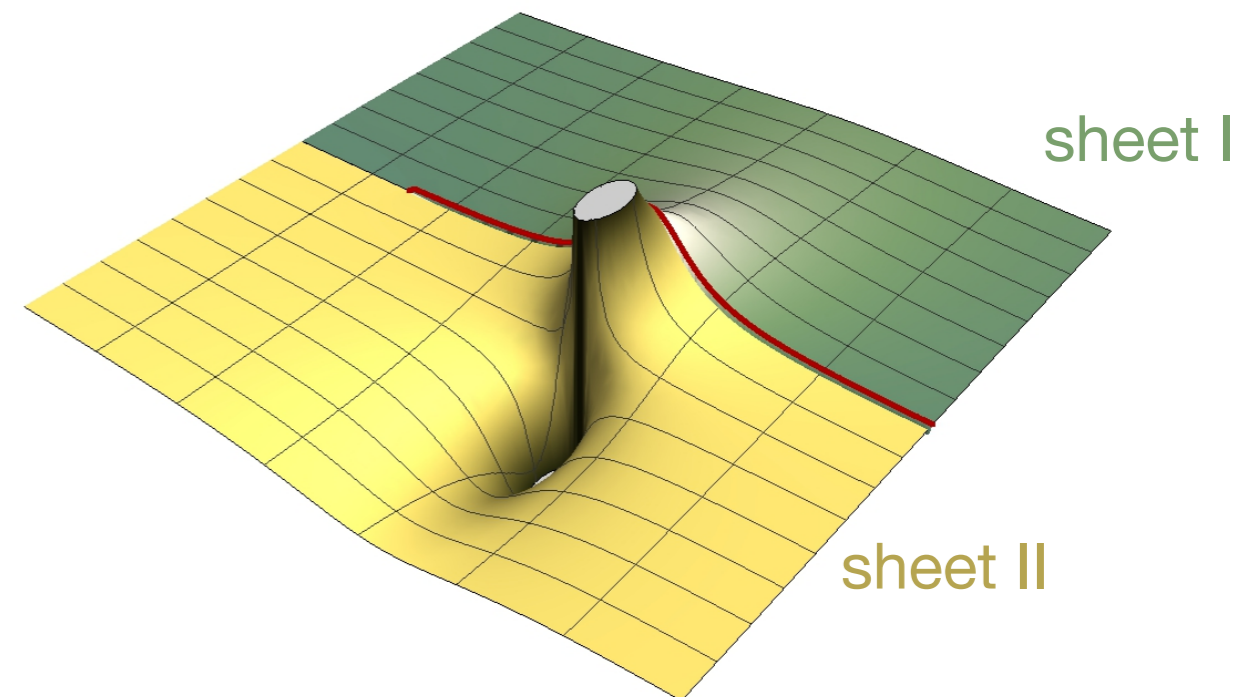
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Exploring sheet II

$$t^I(s + i\epsilon) = t^{II}(s - i\epsilon) = \frac{t_\ell(s - i\epsilon)}{1 - i\rho(s)t_\ell(s - i\epsilon)} = \frac{1}{t_\ell^{-1}(s - i\epsilon) - i\rho(s)}$$



There will be pole(s) on sheet II



PW diagonalizes unitarity

$$t_\ell(s + i\epsilon) - t_\ell(s - i\epsilon) = i\rho(s)t_\ell(s + i\epsilon)t_\ell(s - i\epsilon) \quad (\text{for real } s)$$

On the real axis:

$$\Delta t_\ell(s) = 2i\rho(s)|t_\ell(s)|^2$$

$$\text{Im } t_\ell^{-1}(s) = -\rho(s)$$

$$t_\ell(s \pm i\epsilon) = \frac{1}{K(s) \mp i\rho(s)}$$

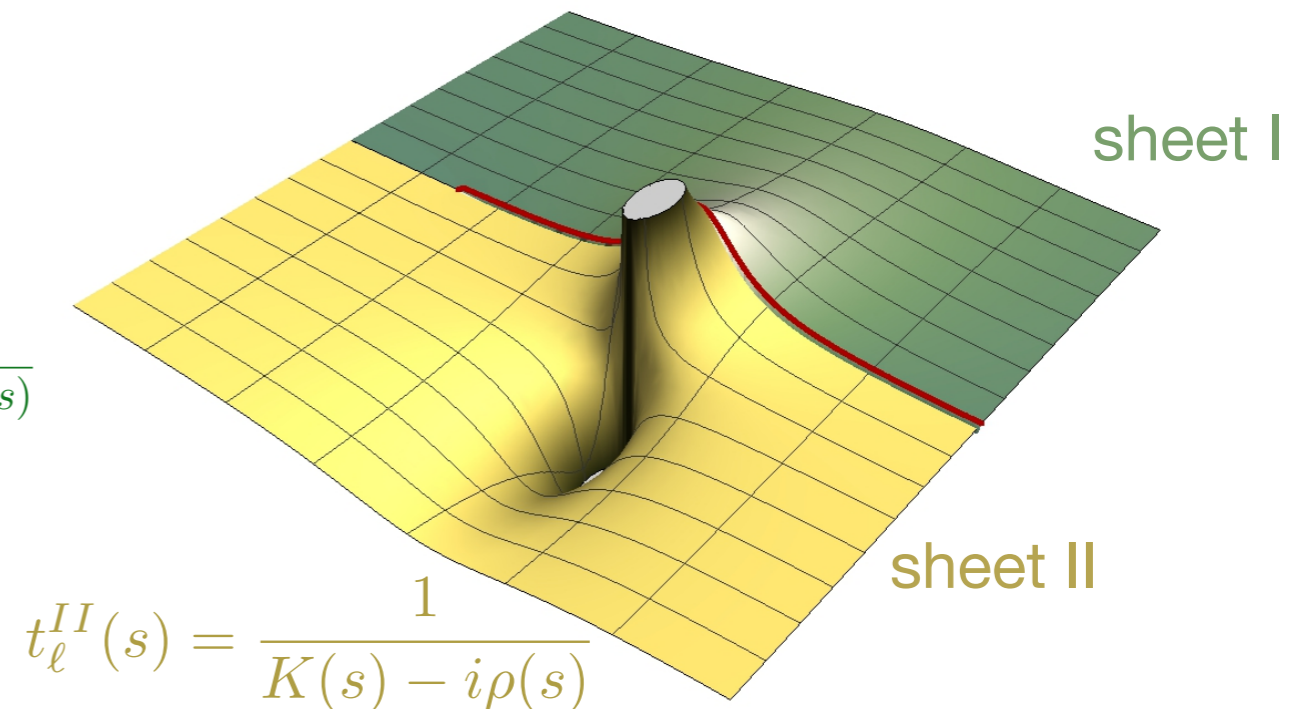
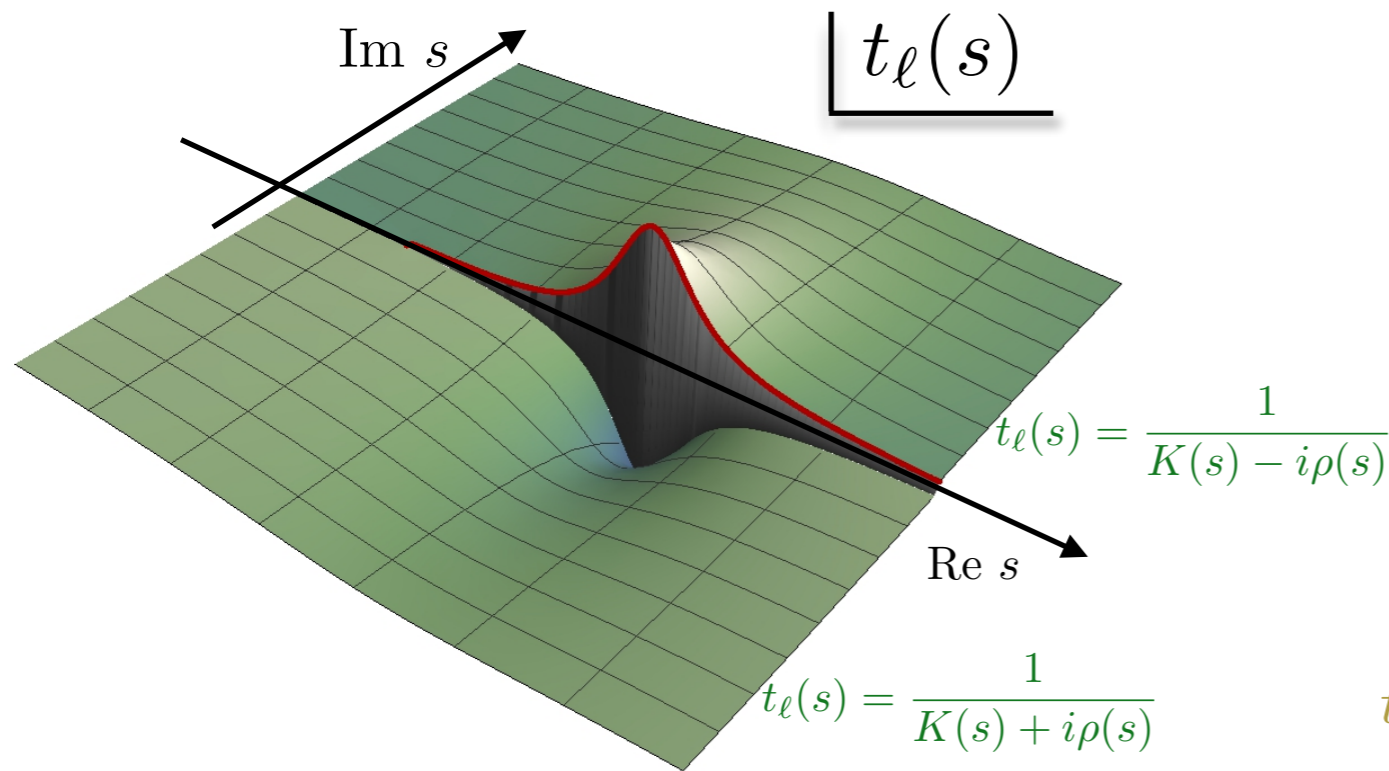
real \rightarrow

example
ok with analyticity:

$$K(s) = \frac{m^2 - s}{m\Gamma}$$

on sheet II:

$$t^{II}(s) = \frac{m\Gamma}{m^2 - s - i\rho(s)m\Gamma}$$



There is no left hand cut

(inelastic) unitarity

$$\text{Im } t_\ell(s) = \rho(s) |t_\ell(s)|^2 + \Delta_\ell \quad \rho(s) = \frac{1}{16\pi} \frac{2q}{\sqrt{s}} \simeq \frac{1}{16\pi}$$

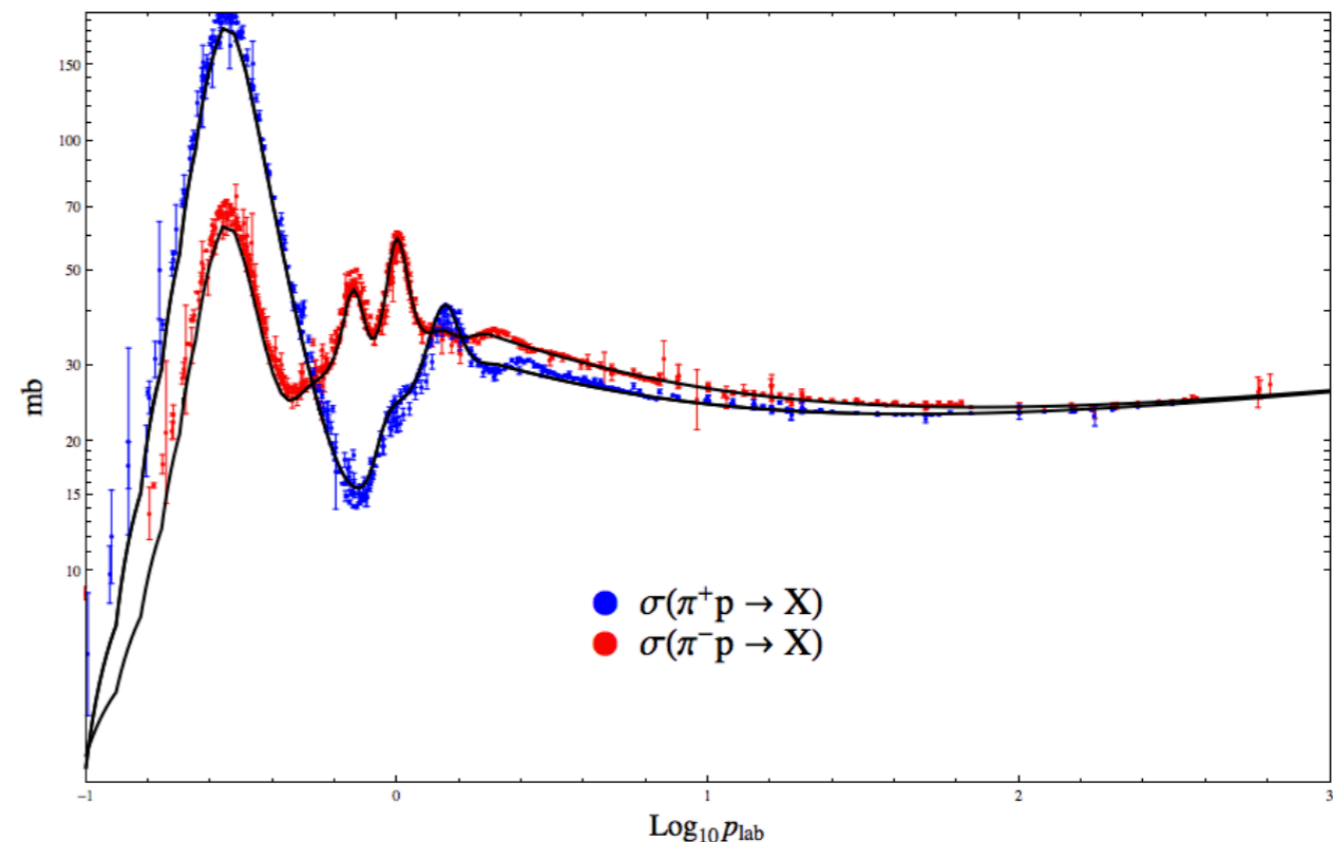
$$\text{Im } t_\ell(s) \geq \frac{1}{16\pi} |t_\ell(s)|^2 \geq \frac{1}{16\pi} |\text{Im } t_\ell(s)|^2$$

Bound on partial waves

$$\text{Im } t_\ell(s) \leq 16\pi$$

Optical theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{tot}}(s) &\simeq \frac{1}{s} \text{Im } A(s, t = 0) \\ &\simeq \frac{1}{s} \sum_{\ell} (2\ell + 1) \text{Im } t_\ell(s) P_\ell(1) \\ &\leq \frac{8\pi}{s} \sum_{\ell} (2\ell + 1) \simeq \frac{16\pi}{s} \ell_{\text{max}}^2 \end{aligned}$$

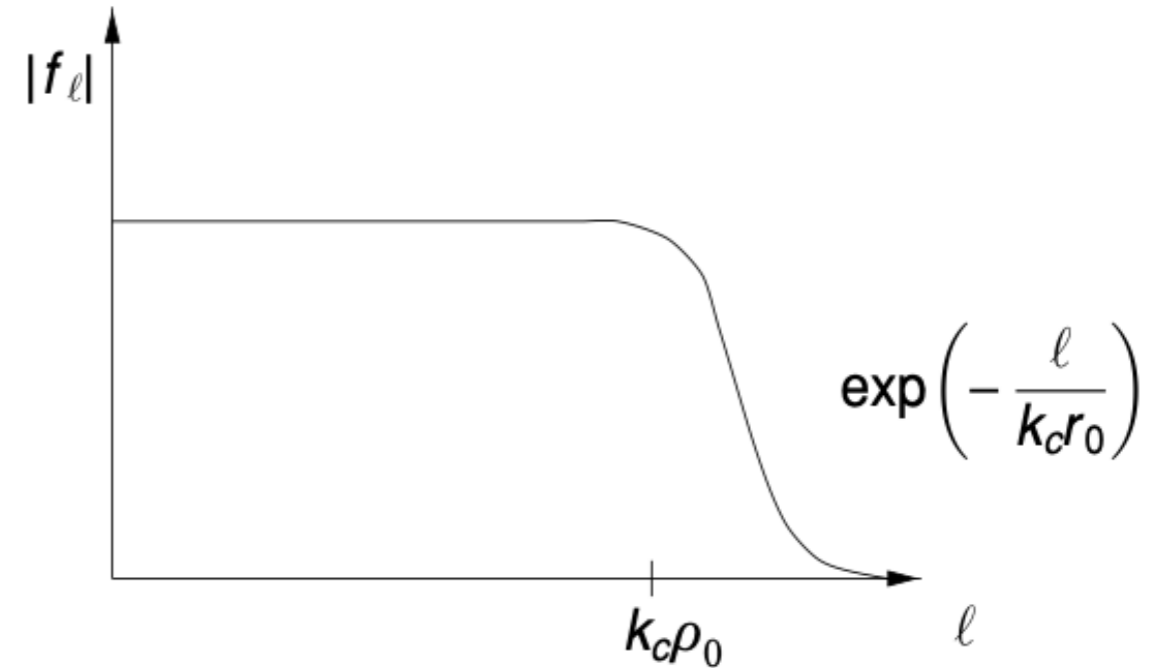


Radius of interaction

Classical picture:
cross section means transverse area

$$\sigma(s) \simeq \frac{16\pi}{s} \ell_{\max}^2 \equiv \pi\rho_0^2$$

Radius of interaction $\rho_0(s) \simeq \frac{2\ell_{\max}}{\sqrt{s}} = \frac{\ell_{\max}}{k_c}$



Partial wave expansion converges
up to the t -channel singularity

$$A(s, z) = \sum_{\ell} (2\ell + 1) a_{\ell}(s) P_{\ell}(z)$$

That is up to $z_0 = 1 + \frac{2t_0}{s - 4m^2} > 1$ For which $P_{\ell}(z_0) \sim e^{\ell \frac{2\sqrt{t_0}}{s}} = e^{\frac{\ell}{r_0 k_c}}$

So the partial waves must behave as $a_{\ell}(s) \sim e^{-\frac{\ell}{r_0 k_c}}$

Froissart-Martin bound

Assume that at high energy $|A(s, t)| \leq s^{N(t)}$

Unitarity tells us that $|A(s, t)| \leq 16\pi \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_{\max}} (2\ell + 1) |P_{\ell}(z)|$

Makes sense up to $t = t_0$ $|A(s, t)| \leq \ell_{\max} e^{\frac{\ell_{\max}}{r_0 k_c}} \simeq s^{N_1}$ $N_1 = N(t = t_0)$

$$\log(\ell_{\max}) + \frac{\ell_{\max}}{r_0 k_c} = N_1 \log s$$

$$\ell_{\max}(s) \simeq \frac{N_1}{r_0} \sqrt{s} \log s \quad k_c = \sqrt{s}/2$$

So the cross section grows max as $\sigma(s) \simeq \frac{16\pi}{s} \ell_{\max}^2 \propto \log^2(s)$

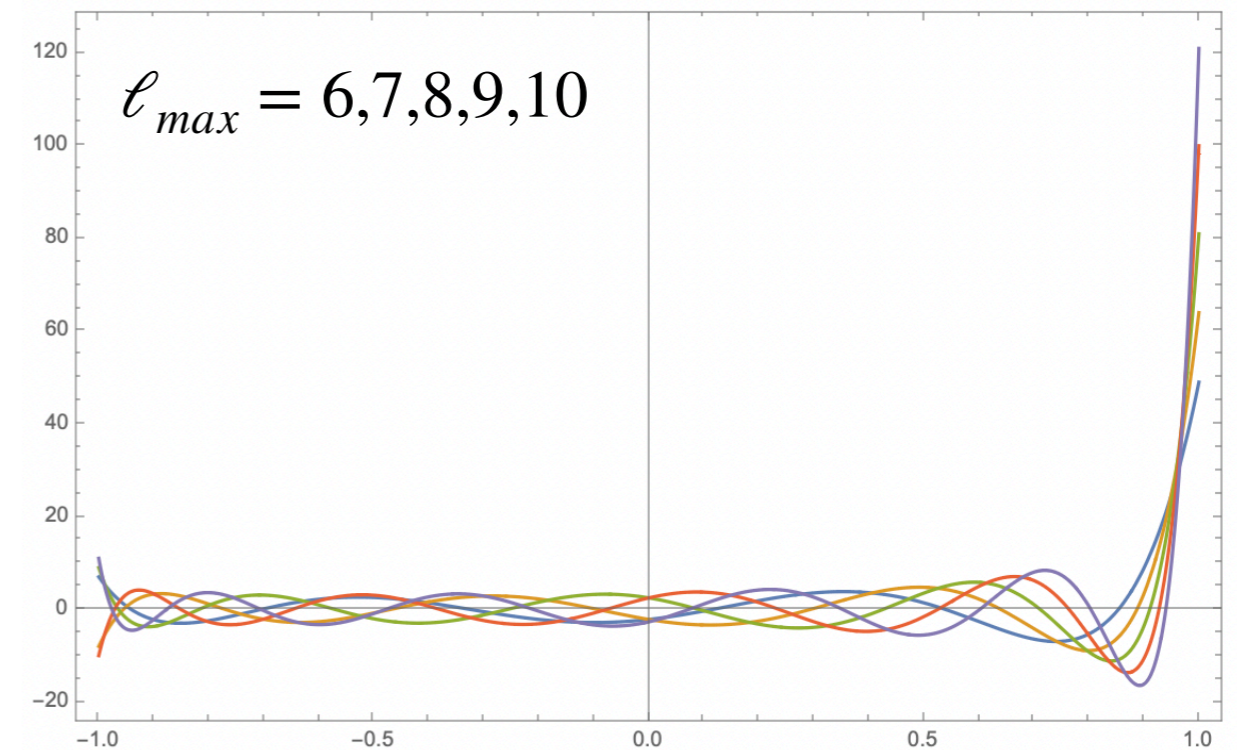
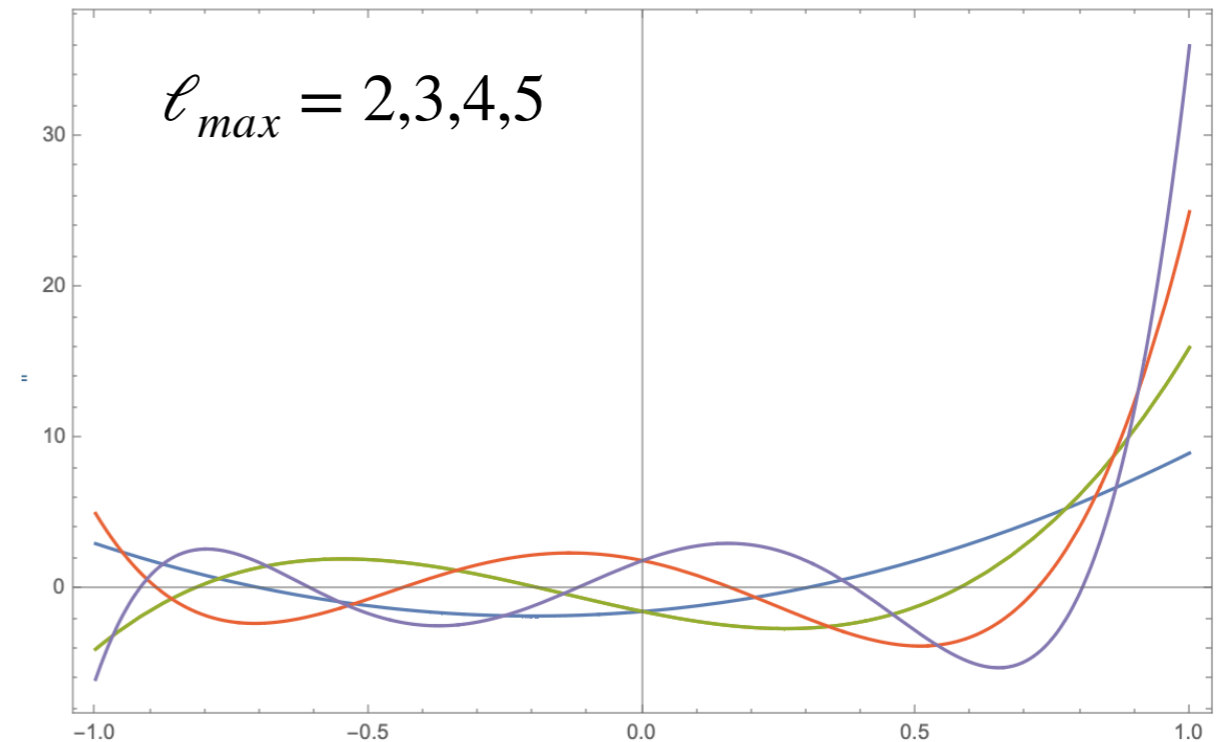
High Energy Physics

Assume constant partial waves

$$f(\ell_{max}, z) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_{max}} (2\ell + 1) P_{\ell}(z)$$

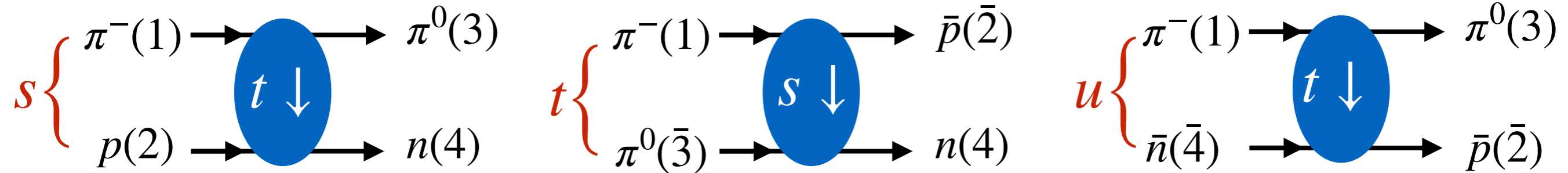
Legendre Polynomials interfere,
Except in the forward direction

At high energy, most of the physics
is concentrated in the forward direction



Mandelstam plane and variables

All 3 reactions are described by the same complex function $A(s, t, u)$



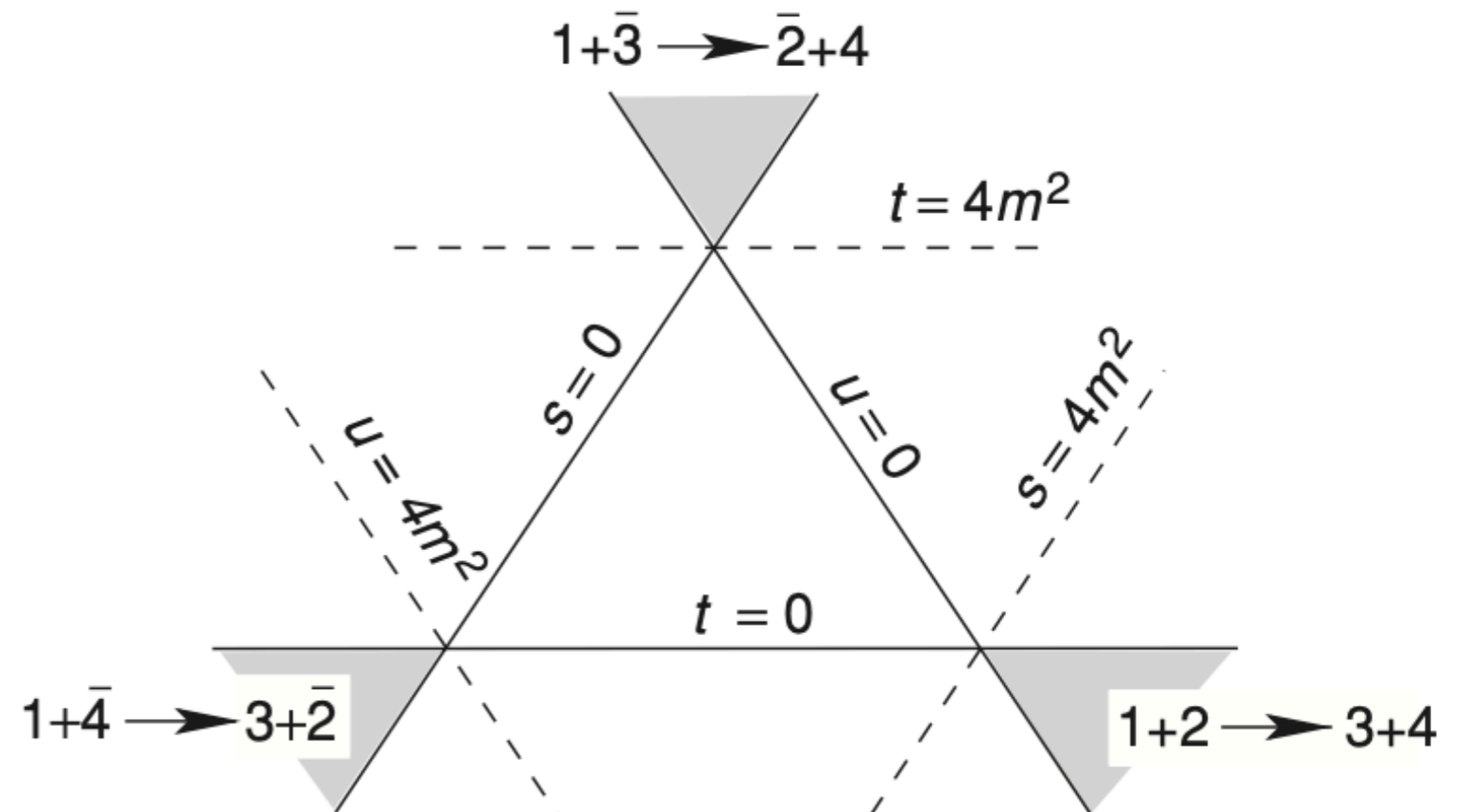
There are only 2 independent Mandelstam variables, $s + t + u = 4m^2$

All particles have same mass m

$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2 = (p_3 + p_4)^2$$

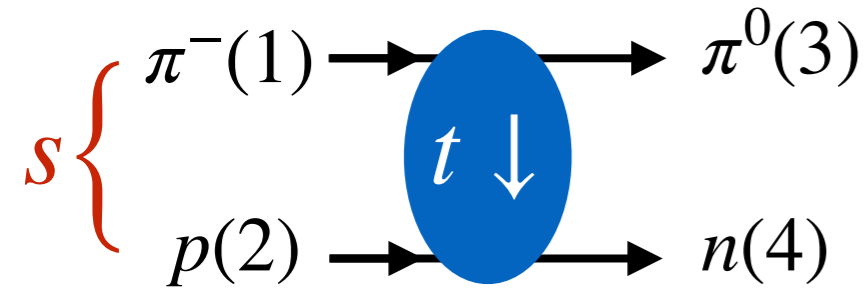
$$t = (p_1 - p_3)^2 = (p_2 - p_4)^2$$

$$u = (p_1 - p_4)^2 = (p_3 - p_2)^2$$



Partial waves decomposition

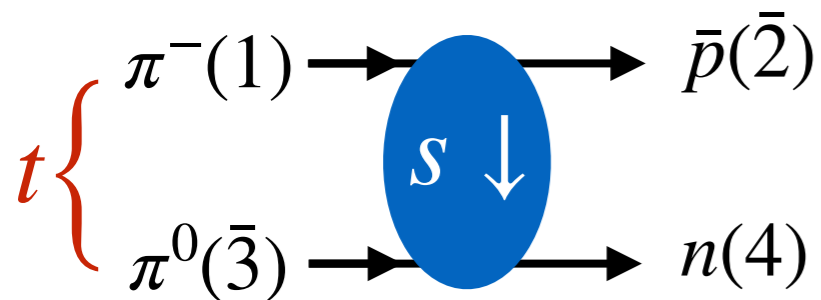
Consider the s-channel reaction



$$A(s, z_s) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) a_{\ell}^s(s) P_{\ell}(z_s)$$

$$z_s = 1 + \frac{2t}{s - 4m^2} \quad s \geq 4m^2 \quad 4m^2 - s \leq t \leq 0$$

Consider the t-channel reaction

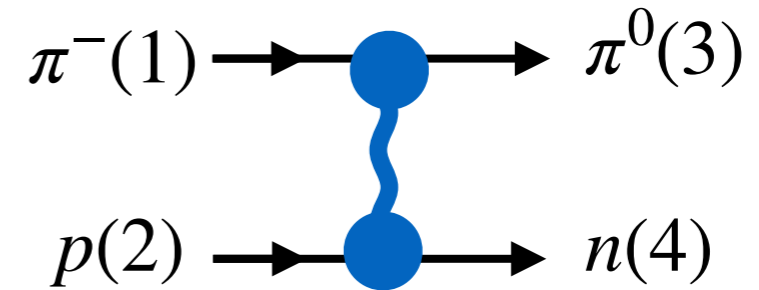
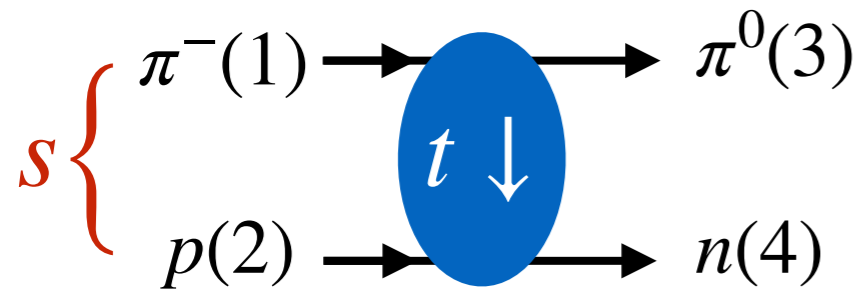


$$A(t, z_t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) a_{\ell}^t(t) P_{\ell}(z_t)$$

$$z_t = 1 + \frac{2s}{t - 4m^2} \quad t \geq 4m^2 \quad 4m^2 - t \leq s \leq 0$$

Partial waves decomposition

The s-channel reaction at high energies is dominated by the t-channel poles



The t-channel PW expansion doesn't converge in the s-channel physical region

$$A(t, z_t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) a_{\ell}^t(t) P_{\ell}(z_t)$$

$$z_t = 1 + \frac{2s}{t - 4m^2}$$

Need to analytically continue $A(t, z_t)$ for $t < 0, |z_t| > 1$

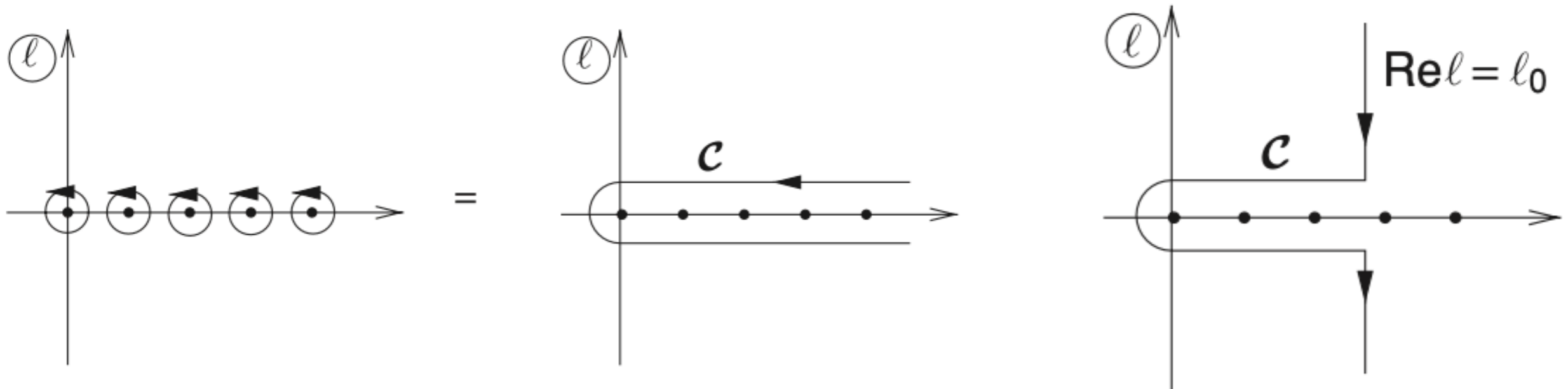
Sommerfeld-Watson transformation

Write the sum as a contour integration

$$A(t, z_t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) a_{\ell}^t(t) P_{\ell}(z_t) = \frac{1}{2i} \oint \frac{d\ell}{\sin \pi \ell} (2\ell + 1) a^t(\ell, t) P_{\ell}(-z_t)$$

We need to define $a^t(\ell, t)$ for complex values of ℓ

Then we will deform the contour



Froissard-Gribov Representation

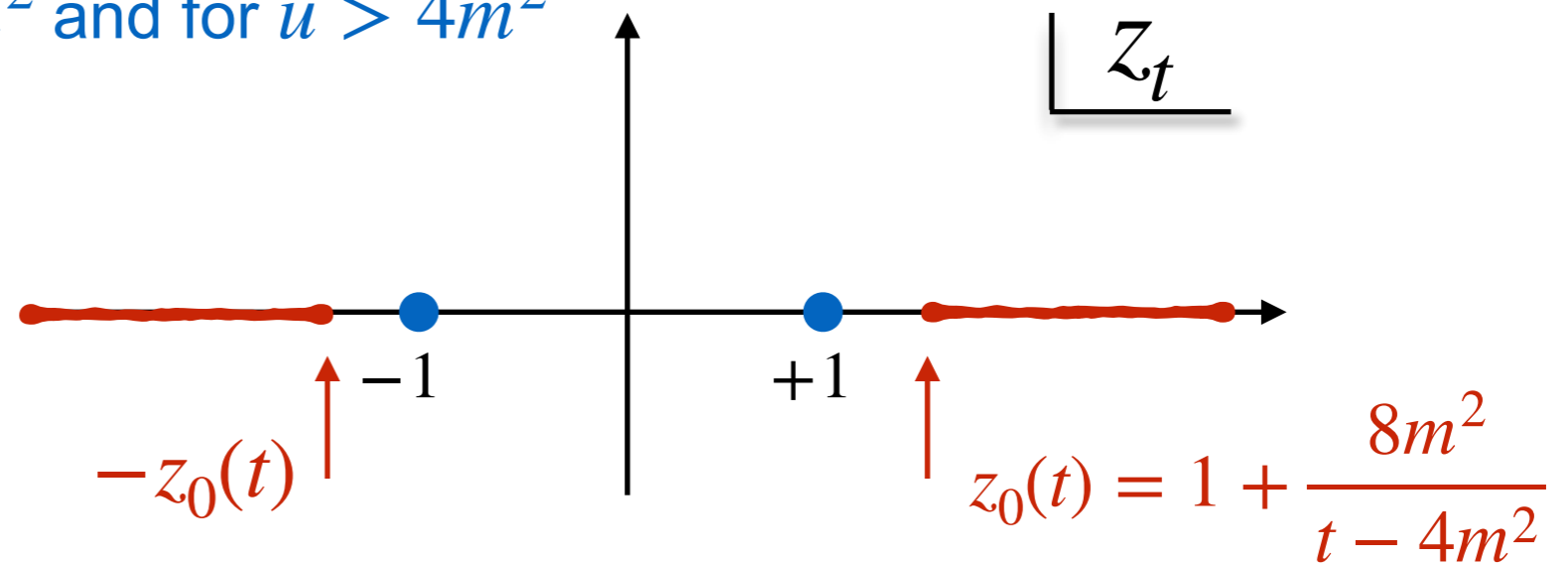
$$z_t = 1 + \frac{2s}{t - 4m^2} = -1 - \frac{2u}{t - 4m^2}$$

Naive definition of the partial wave

$$A(t, z_t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) a_{\ell}^t(t) P_{\ell}(z_t) \quad a^t(\ell, t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 A(t, z_t) P_{\ell}(z_t) dz_t$$

The series converges **for t fixed**, if $|z_t| < 1$

$A(t, z_t)$ will diverge for $s > 4m^2$ and for $u > 4m^2$



$$A(t, z_t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{z_0(t)}^{\infty} dz' \frac{D_s A(t, z_t[s])}{z' - z_t} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{-z_0(t)} dz' \frac{D_u A(t, z_t[u])}{z' - z_t}$$

Froissard-Gribov Representation

$$Q_\ell(z) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{P_\ell(z')}{z' - z} dz'$$

Dispersive representation of the amplitude for fixed t

$$A(t, z_t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{z_0(t)}^{\infty} \frac{D_s A(t, z_t[s])}{z' - z_t} dz' + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{z_0(t)}^{\infty} \frac{D_u A(t, -z_t[u])}{z' + z_t} dz'$$

The discontinuities are

$$D_s A(t, z_t[s]) = \frac{1}{2i} [A(t, z_t[s + i\epsilon]) - A(t, z_t[s - i\epsilon])]$$

Definition of the partial wave

$$a^t(\ell, t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 A(t, z_t) P_\ell(z_t) dz_t$$

Obtenemos the Froissard-Gribov representation of the partial waves

$$a^t(\ell, t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{z_0(t)}^{\infty} D_s A(t, z_t[s]) Q_\ell(z') dz' - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{z_0(t)}^{\infty} D_u A(t, -z_t[u]) Q_\ell(-z') dz'$$

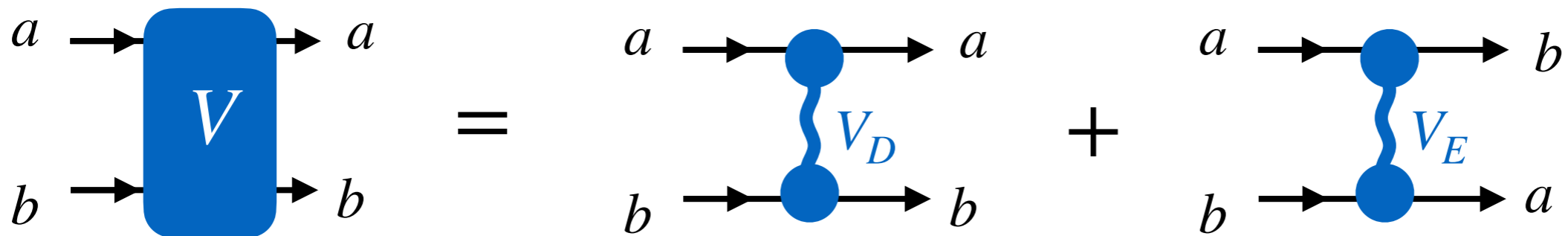
Signature

$$a^t(\ell, t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{z_0(t)}^{\infty} D_s A(t, z_t[s]) Q_\ell(z') dz' - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{z_0(t)}^{\infty} D_u A(t, -z_t[u]) Q_\ell(-z') dz'$$

The second term causes problem $Q_\ell(-z) = (-1)^{\ell+1} Q_\ell(z)$

We can only analytically continue the P.W. for either even or either odd ℓ

$$a_{\pm}^t(\ell, t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{z_0(t)}^{\infty} [D_s A(t, z_t[s]) \pm D_u A(t, -z_t[u])] Q_\ell(z') dz'$$



$$V = V_D + (-1)^\ell V_E$$

Trajectory quantum numbers (only mesons)

Isospin I

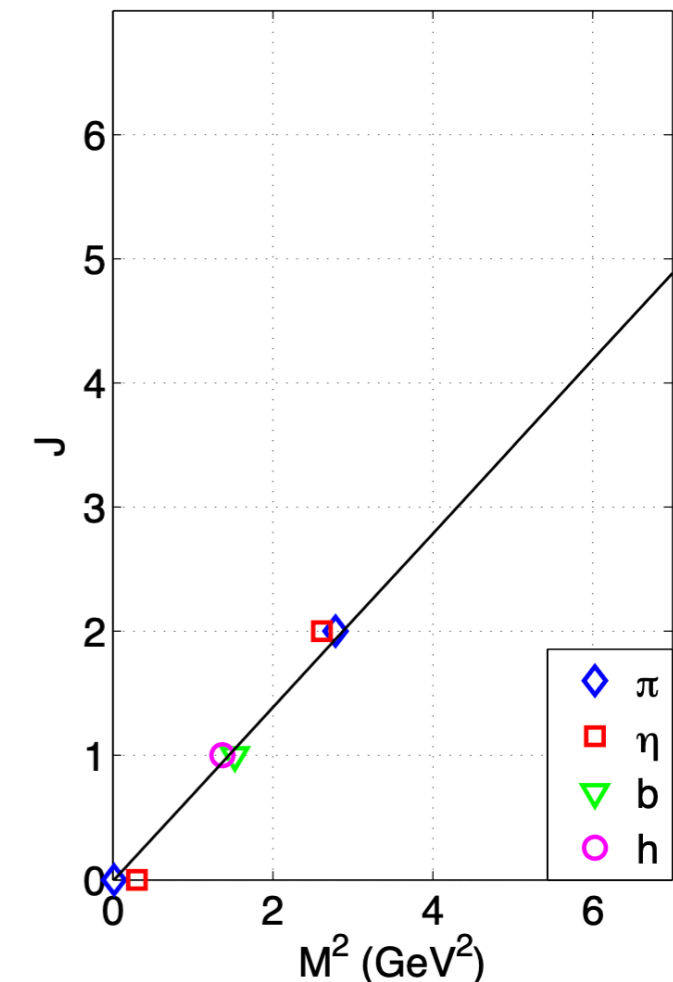
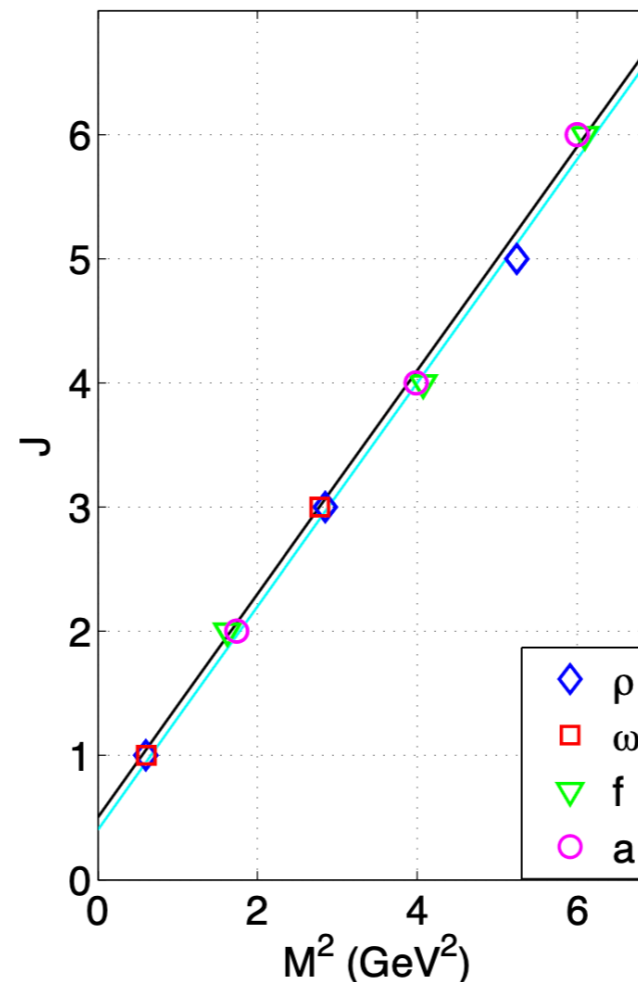
G-parity G , the parity of the pion number

Naturality of the spin, $\eta = P(-1)^J$

Signature of the spin, $\tau = (-1)^J$

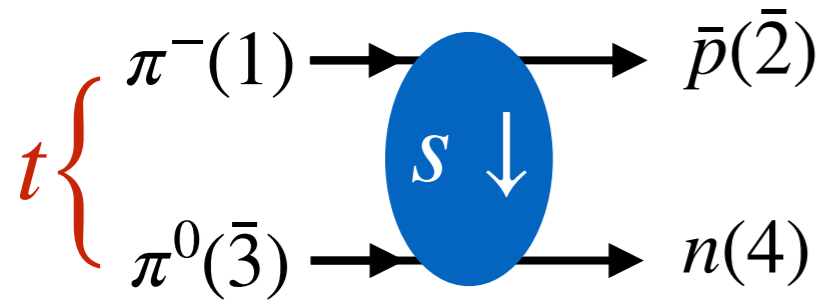
Table 1: Regge Trajectories

$I^{G\tau\eta}$			$I^{G\tau\eta}$	
0^{+++}	f	$0.5 + 0.9t$	0^{+--}	\bar{f}
0^{--+}	ω	$0.5 + 0.9t$	0^{-+-}	$\bar{\omega}$
1^{-++}	a	$0.4 + 0.9t$	1^{---}	\bar{a}
1^{+-+}	ρ	$0.5 + 0.9t$	1^{++-}	$\bar{\rho}$
0^{++-}	η	$0.7(t - m_\pi^2)$	0^{+--}	$\bar{\eta}$
0^{---}	h	$0.7(t - m_\pi^2)$	0^{-++}	\bar{h}
1^{-+-}	π	$0.7(t - m_\pi^2)$	1^{--+}	$\bar{\pi}$
1^{+--}	b	$0.7(t - m_\pi^2)$	1^{+++}	\bar{b}



Partial waves decomposition

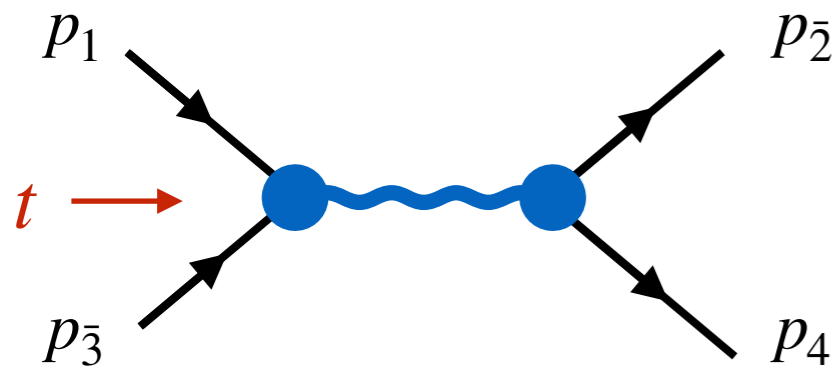
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$$A(t, z_t) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) a_{\ell}^t(t) P_{\ell}(z_t)$$

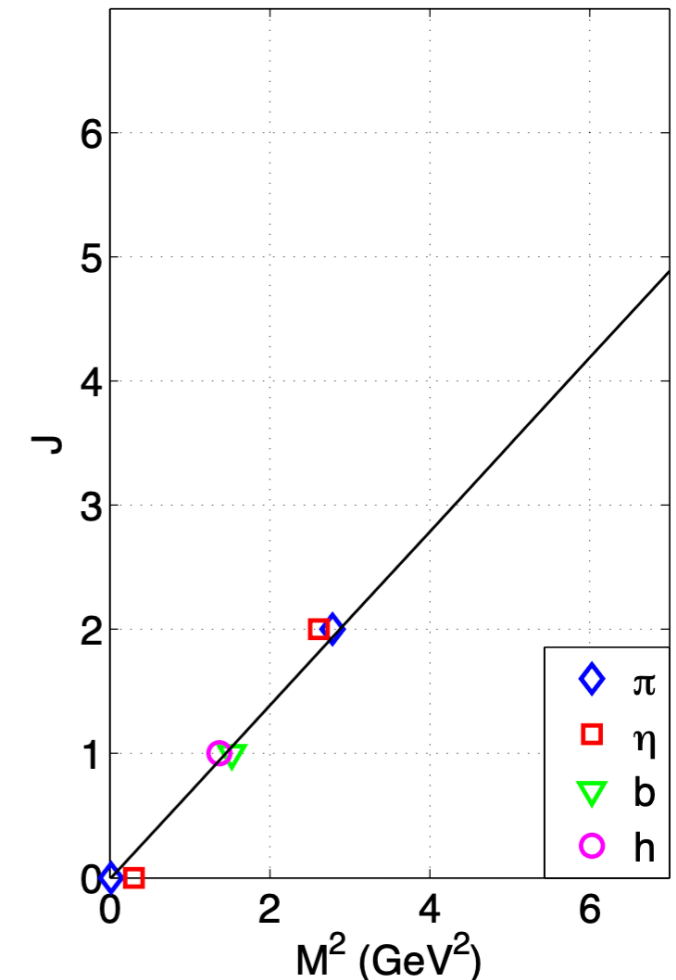
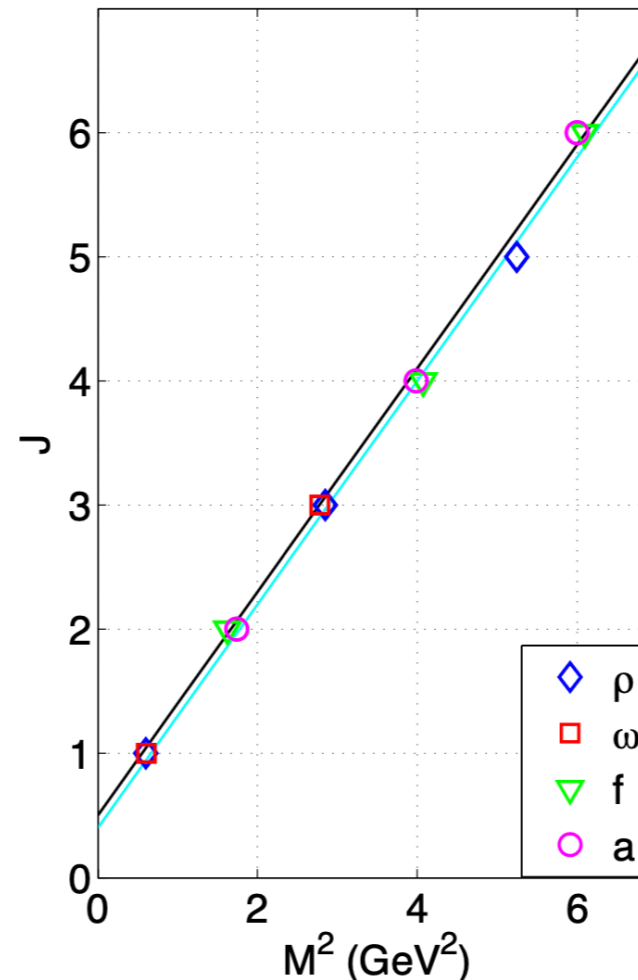
$$z_t = 1 + \frac{2s}{t - 4m^2} \quad t \geq 4m^2 \quad 4m^2 - t \leq s \leq 0$$

Say there is a common pole in every wave



$$a_{\ell}^t(t) = \frac{g_{\ell}^2}{m_{\ell}^2 - t} \equiv \frac{\beta}{\ell - \alpha(t)}$$

$$\alpha(t) = \ell + \alpha'(t - m_{\ell}^2)$$

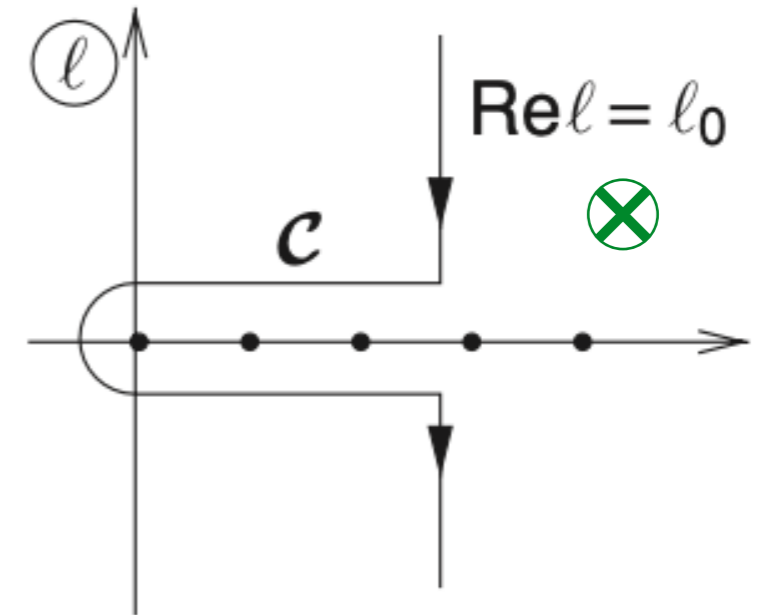


Regge Pole Formula

$$A(t, z_t) = \frac{1}{2i} \oint \frac{d\ell}{\sin \pi \ell} (2\ell + 1) a^t(\ell, t) P_\ell(-z_t)$$

$$a_\ell^t(t) = \frac{\beta}{\ell - \alpha(t)}$$

$$z_t = 1 + \frac{2s}{t - 4m^2}$$



Deforming the contour

$$A(t, z_t) = \pi[2\alpha(t) + 1]\beta(t) \frac{P_\ell(z_t)}{\sin \pi \alpha(t)} + \frac{1}{2i} \int_{\ell_0 - i\infty}^{\ell_0 + i\infty} \frac{(2\ell + 1) P_\ell(-z)}{\sin \pi \ell} a^t(\ell, t) d\ell$$

Large energy limit

$$A(t, z_t) = \tilde{\beta}(t) \frac{(s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)}}{\sin \pi \alpha(t)} + \mathcal{O}(s^{-1/2})$$

Restoring the signature factor

$$A(t, z_t) = \beta(t) \frac{\pm 1 + e^{-i\pi \alpha(t)}}{2 \sin \pi \alpha(t)} (s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)} + \mathcal{O}(s^{-1/2})$$

For the total cross section

$$\text{Im} A(t, z_t) = \beta(t) (s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)}$$

Legendre Polynomial

Deforming the contour

$$A(t, z_t) = \pi[2\alpha(t) + 1]\beta(t) \frac{P_\ell(z_t)}{\sin \pi\alpha(t)} + \frac{1}{2i} \int_{\ell_0 - i\infty}^{\ell_0 + i\infty} \frac{(2\ell + 1)P_\ell(-z)}{\sin \pi\ell} a^t(\ell, t) d\ell$$

Large energy limit

$$A(t, z_t) = \tilde{\beta}(t) \frac{(s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)}}{\sin \pi\alpha(t)} + \mathcal{O}(s^{-1/2})$$

Defined by

$$(1 - z^2)P_\ell''(z) - 2zP_\ell'(z) + \ell(\ell + 1)P_\ell(z) = 0$$

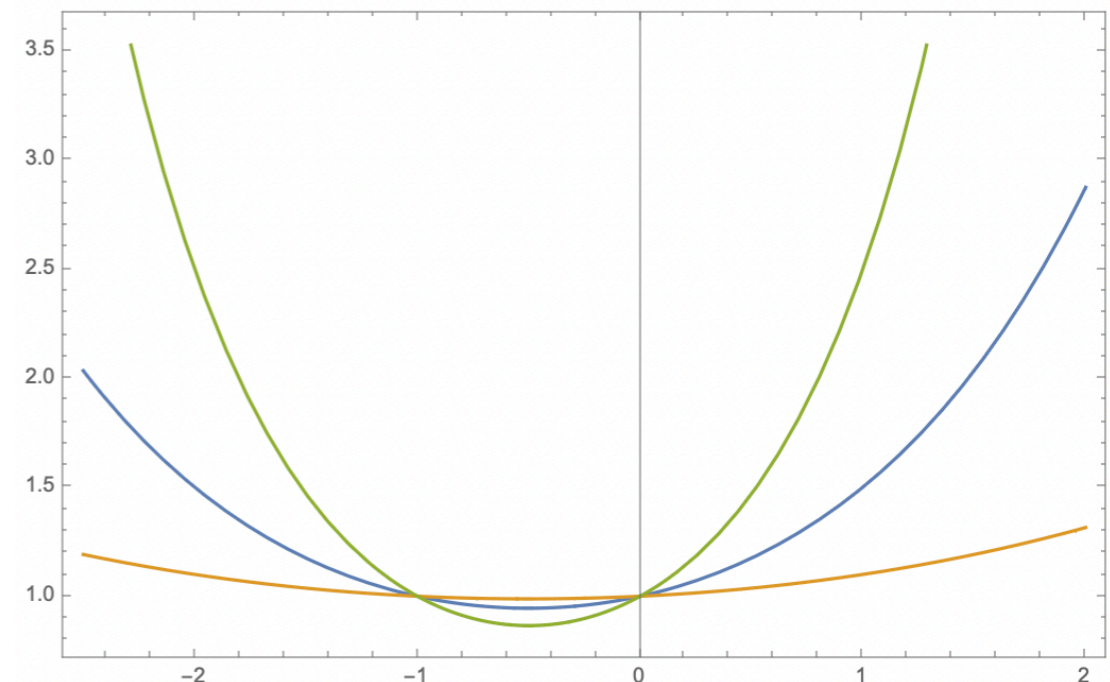
Symmetry

$$\ell \rightarrow -\ell - 1$$



$$P_{-\ell-1}(z) = P_\ell(z)$$

For $|z| > 1$, minimum for $\ell = -1/2$



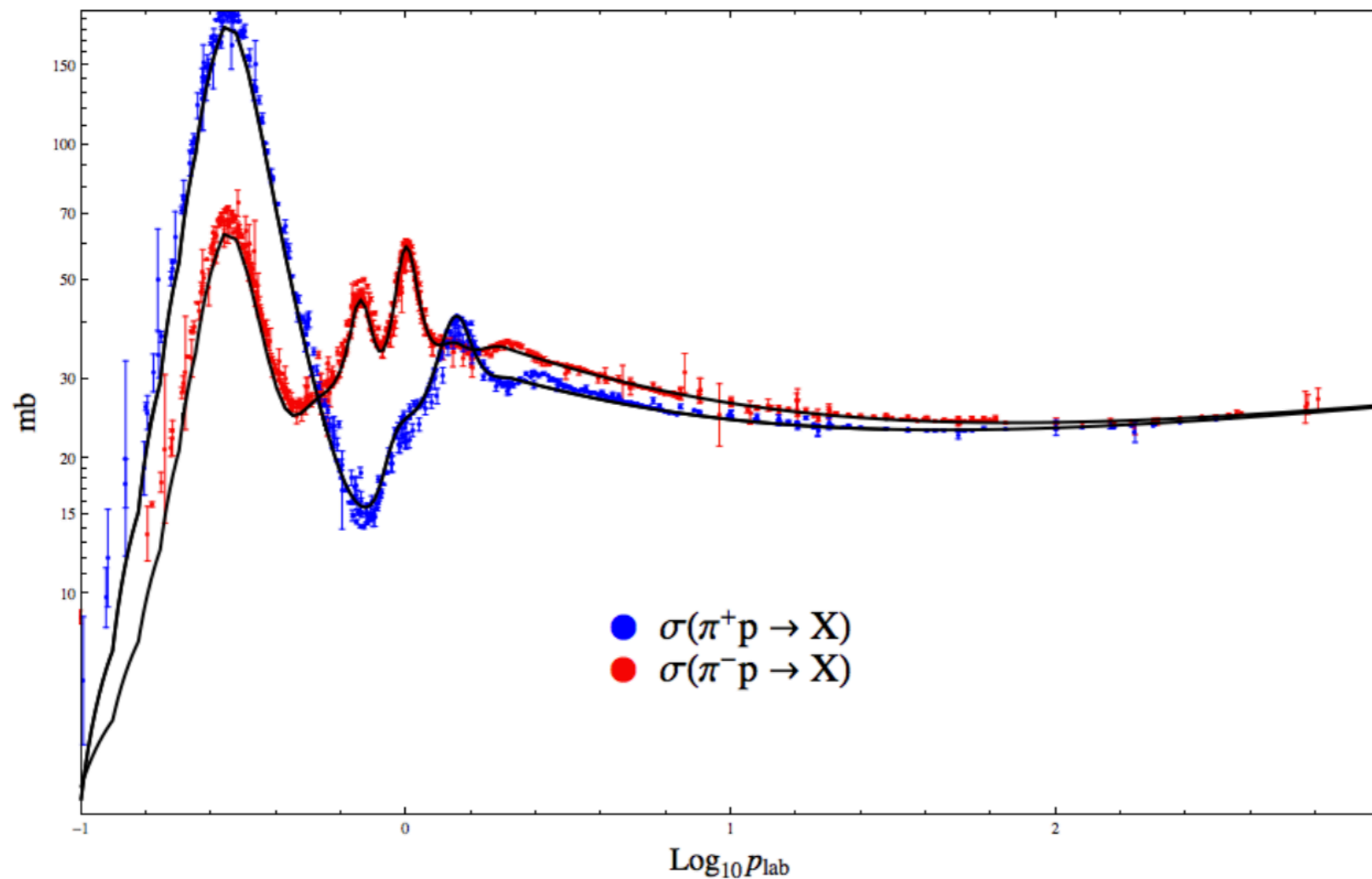
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For the total cross section

$$\text{Im}A(s, t) = \beta(t)(s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)}$$



Finite Energy Sum Rules

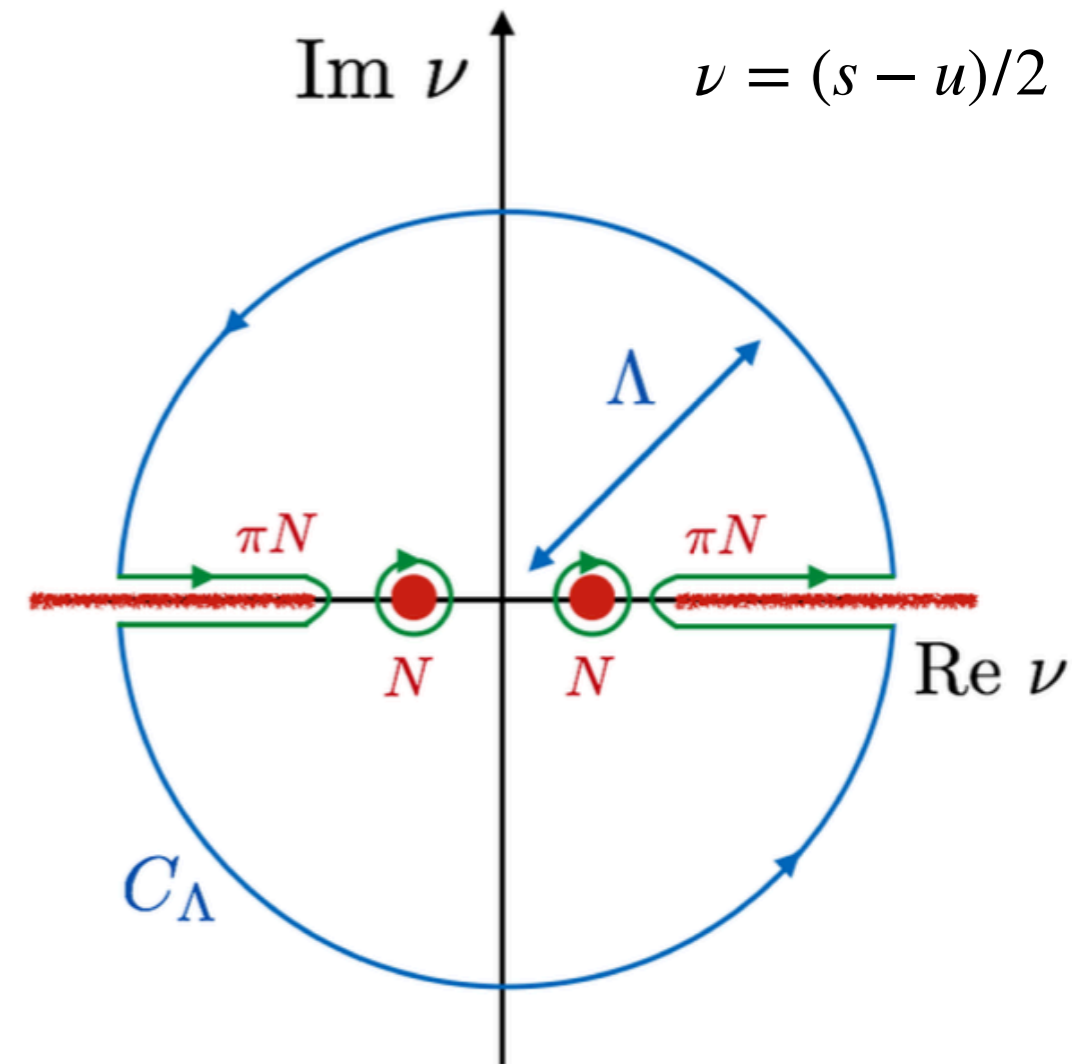
How to determine $\beta(t)$? $A(t, z_t) = \beta(t) \frac{\pm 1 + e^{-i\pi\alpha(t)}}{2 \sin \pi\alpha(t)} \left(\frac{s}{s_0} \right)^{\alpha(t)}$

Write a contour integral with Λ large

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda^k} \int_0^\Lambda \text{Im} A(\nu, t) \nu^k d\nu = -\frac{1}{\Lambda^k} \oint_{C_\Lambda} A(s, t) \nu^k \frac{d\nu}{2i}$$

Applied the Regge formula for the circle

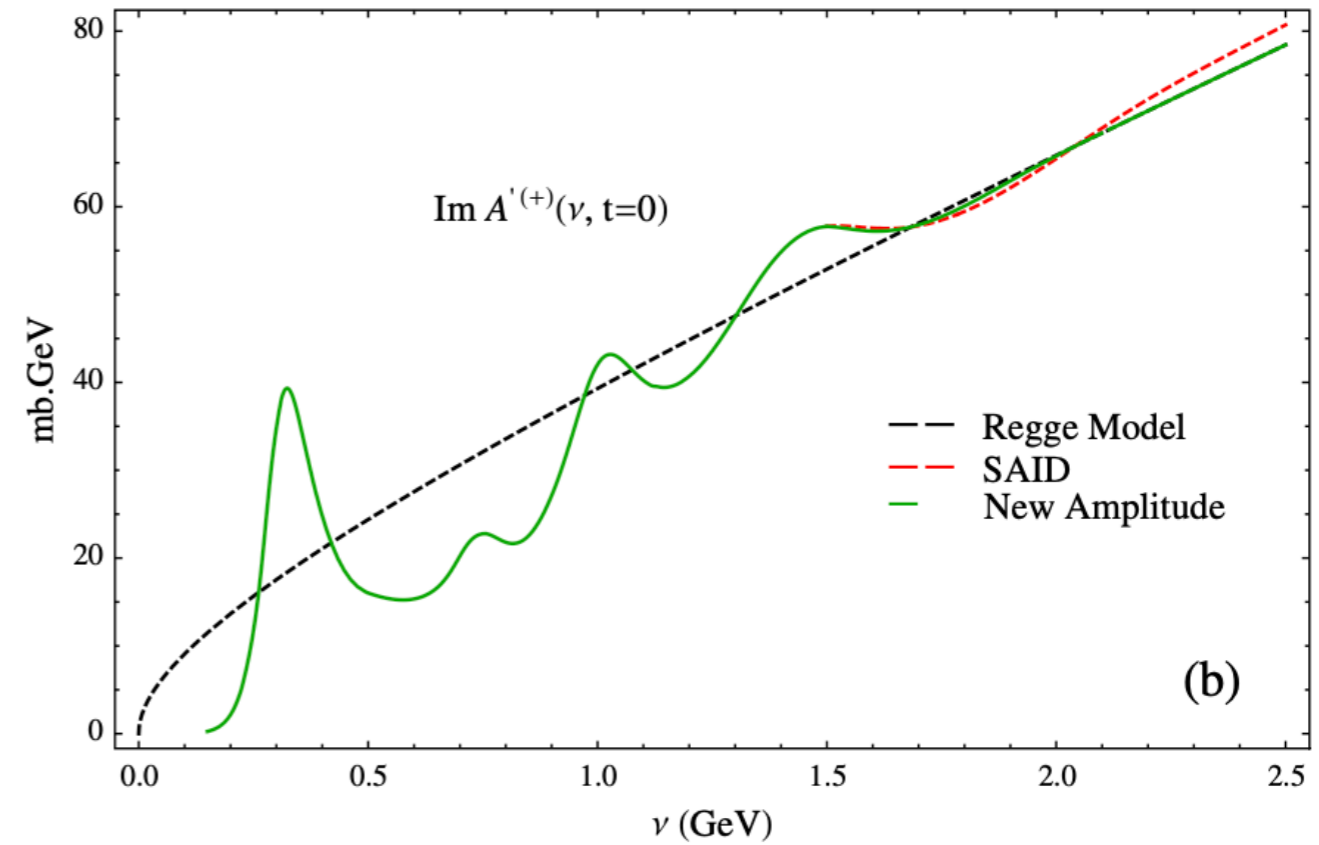
$$\frac{1}{\Lambda^k} \int_0^\Lambda \text{Im} A(\nu, t) \nu^k d\nu = \frac{\beta(t) \Lambda^{\alpha(t)+1}}{\alpha(t) + k + 1}$$

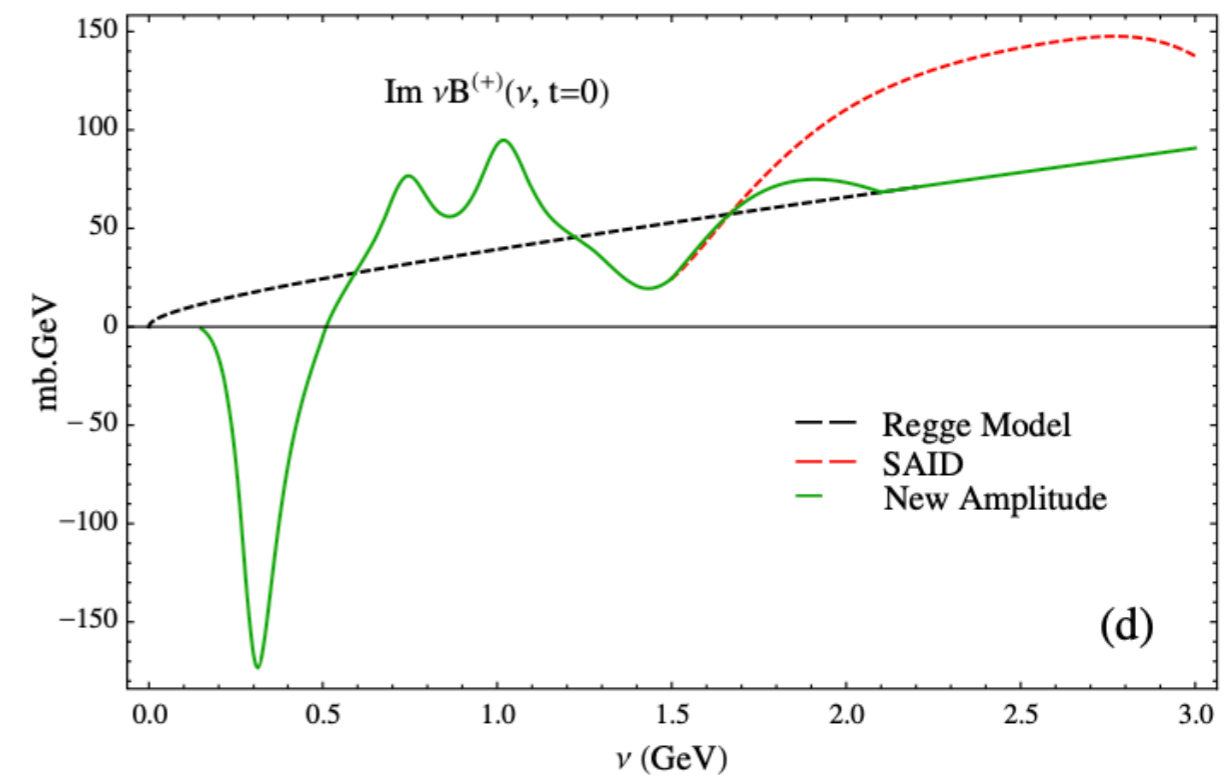
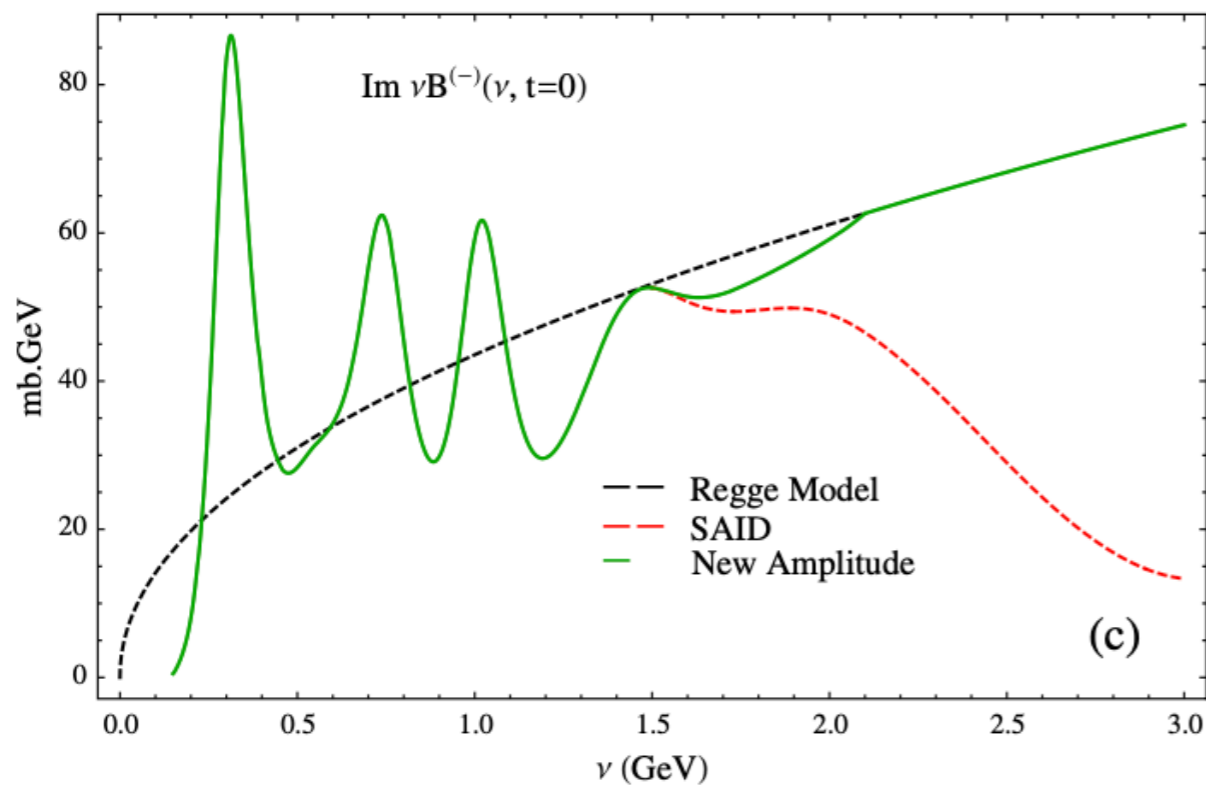
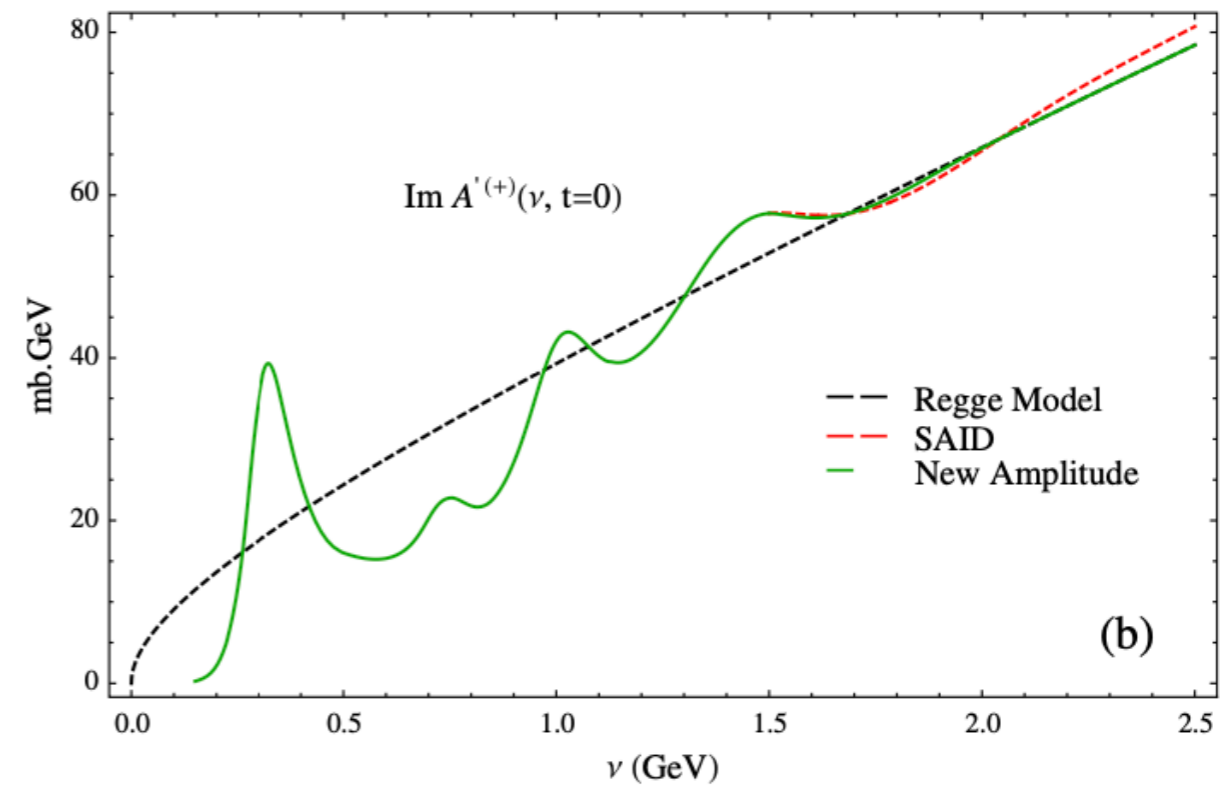
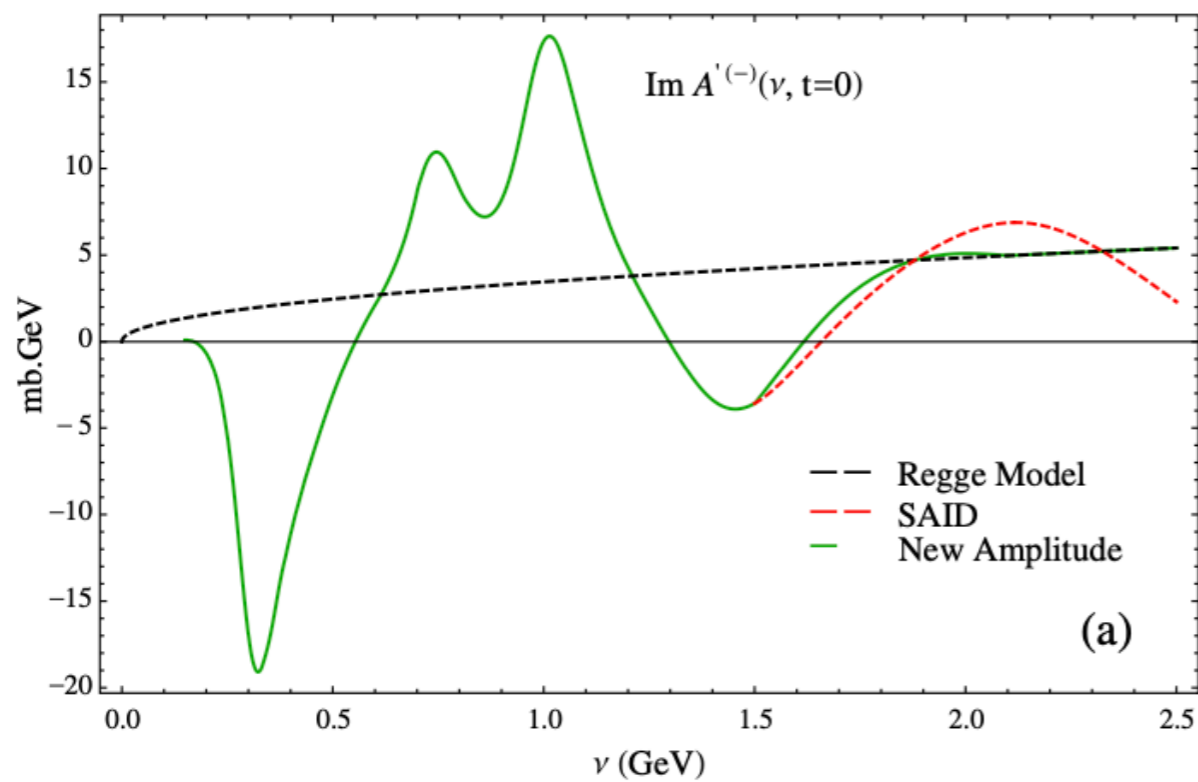


Applied the Regge formula for the circle

$$\int_0^\Lambda \text{Im}A(\nu, t) d\nu = \frac{\beta(t)\Lambda^{\alpha(t)+1}}{\alpha(t) + 1}$$

$$k = 0$$





Determine $\beta(t)$ from the low energy solution

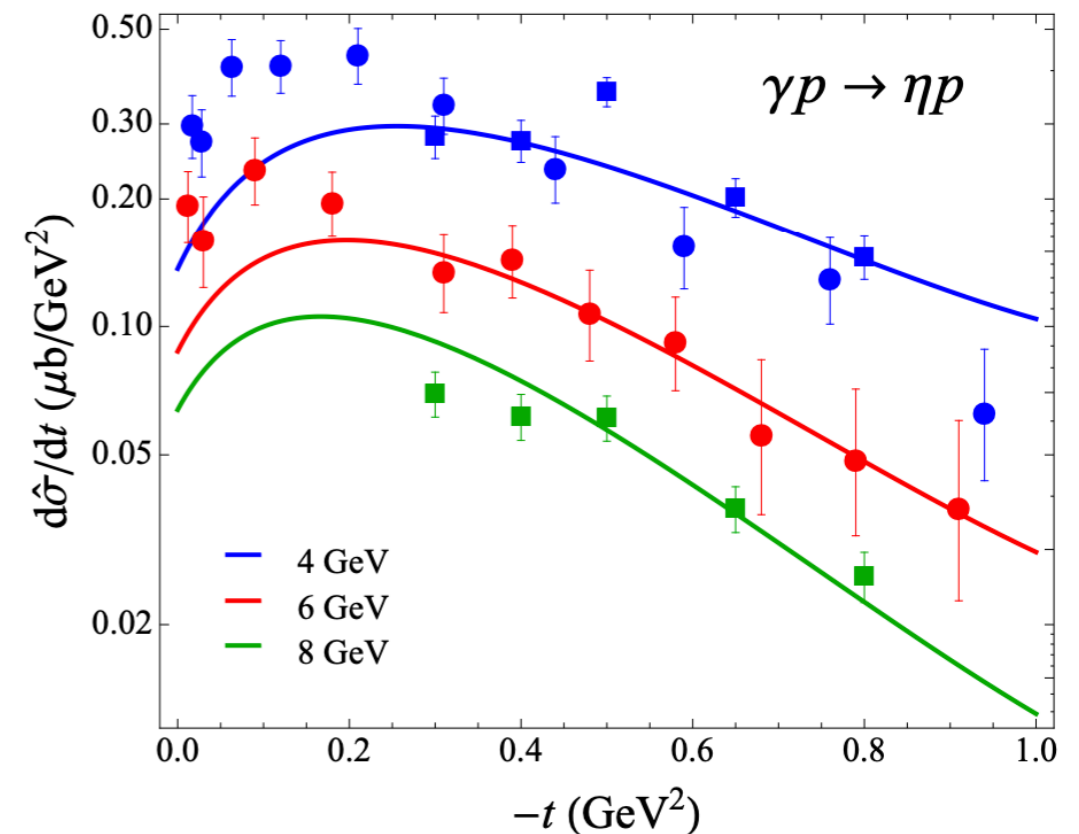
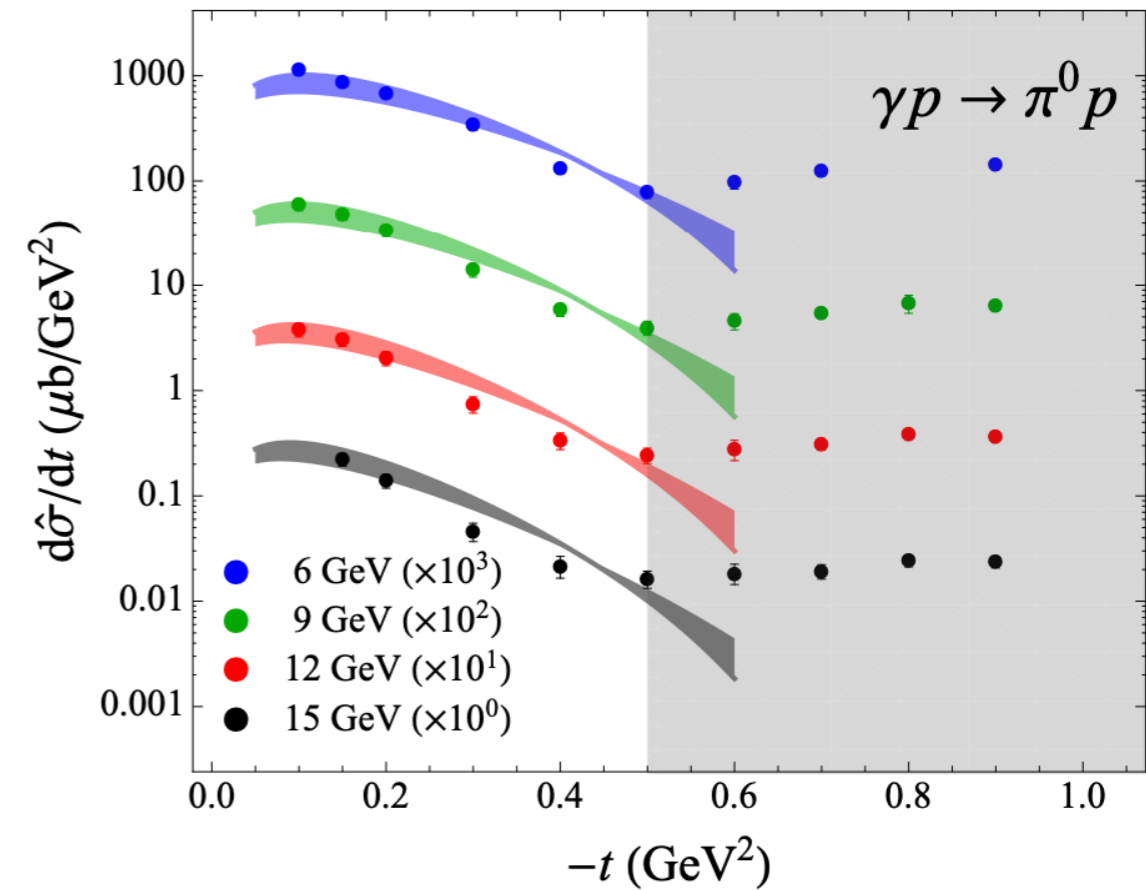
From known leading trajectory $\alpha(t) = 0.9t + 0.5$

$$\hat{\beta}_i(t) = \frac{\alpha(t) + k}{\Lambda^{\alpha(t)+k}} \int_0^\Lambda \text{Im} A_i^{\text{PWA}}(\nu, t) \nu^k d\nu,$$

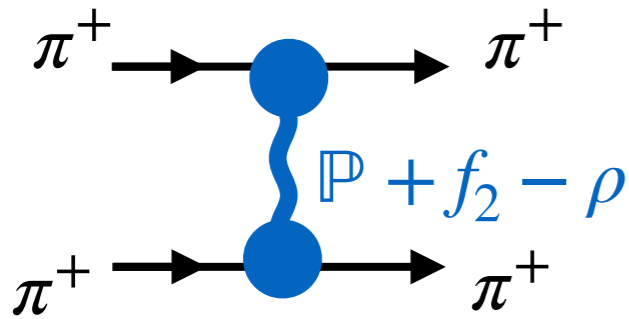
Make prediction for the high energy region

$$\hat{A}_i(\nu, t) = \left[i + \tan \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha(t) \right] \hat{\beta}_i(t) \nu^{\alpha(t)-1}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{dt} &\simeq \frac{1}{32\pi} \left[\left| \hat{A}_1 \right|^2 - t \left| \hat{A}_4 \right|^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{\nu^{2\alpha(t)-2}}{32\pi} \left[1 + \tan^2 \frac{\pi}{2} \alpha(t) \right] \left[\hat{\beta}_1^2(t) - t \hat{\beta}_4^2(t) \right]. \end{aligned}$$



Application to exotic reaction



No resonances in the s-channel

Average of low energy = average of high energy

= background

= $\mathbb{P} + f_2 - \rho$

Two component duality:

average of Pomeron = average of background

average of Regge = average of resonance

No resonance implies equality of Regge trajectories and residues

$$\beta_{\rho}^{\pi\pi}(t) s^{\alpha_{\rho}(t)} = \beta_{f_2}^{\pi\pi}(t) s^{\alpha_{f_2}(t)}$$

Valid for some s , for all t

$$\beta_{\rho}^{\pi\pi}(t) = \beta_{f_2}^{\pi\pi}(t) \quad \text{And} \quad \alpha_{\rho}(t) = \alpha_{f_2}(t)$$

Repeat for kaons and get

$$\beta_{\rho}^{KK}(t) = \beta_{f_2}^{KK}(t) = \beta_{a_2}^{KK}(t) = \beta_{\omega}^{KK}(t) \quad \text{And} \quad \alpha_{\rho}(t) = \alpha_{f_2}(t) = \alpha_{\omega}(t) = \alpha_{a_2}(t)$$

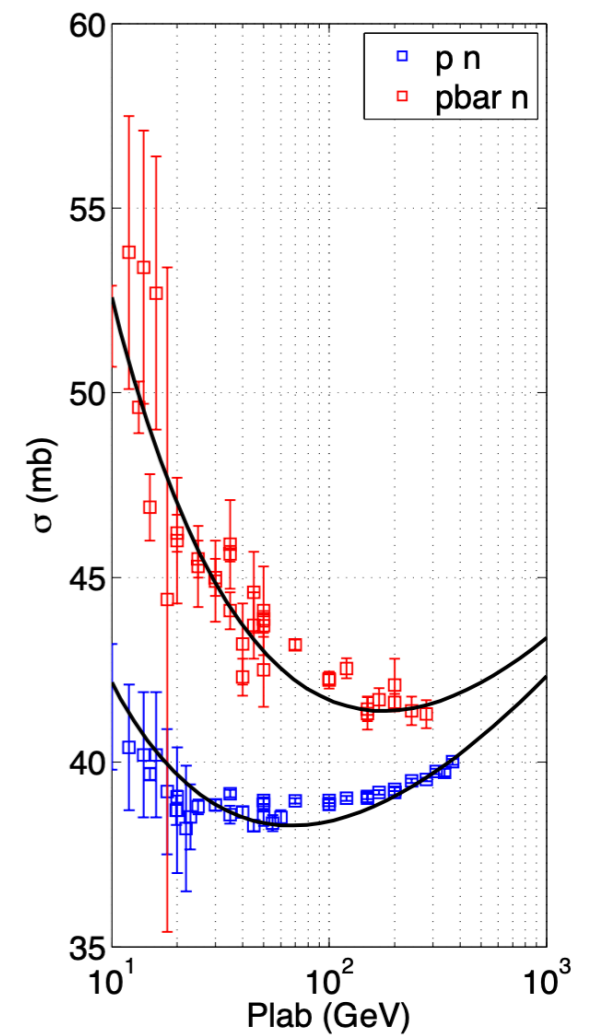
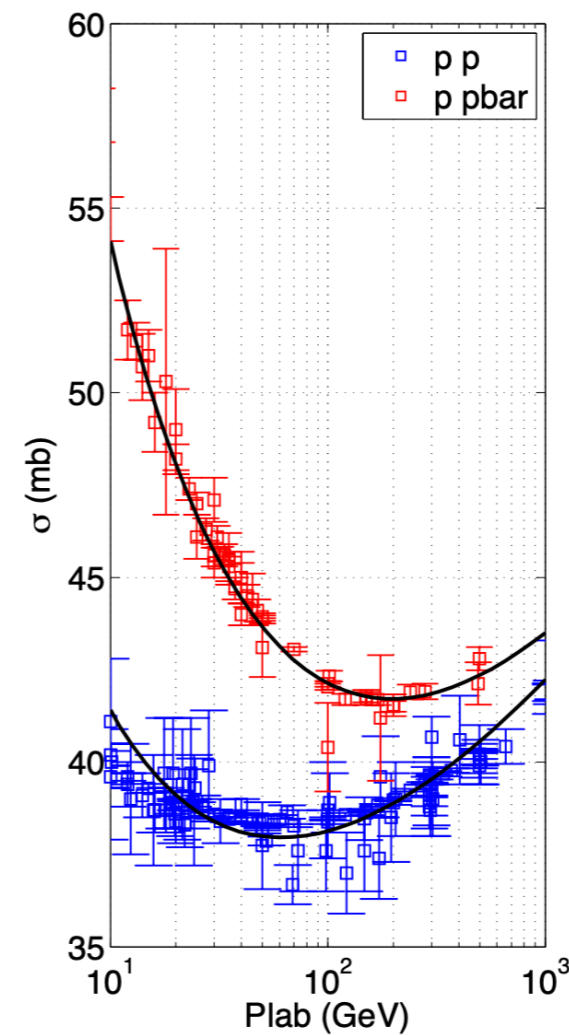
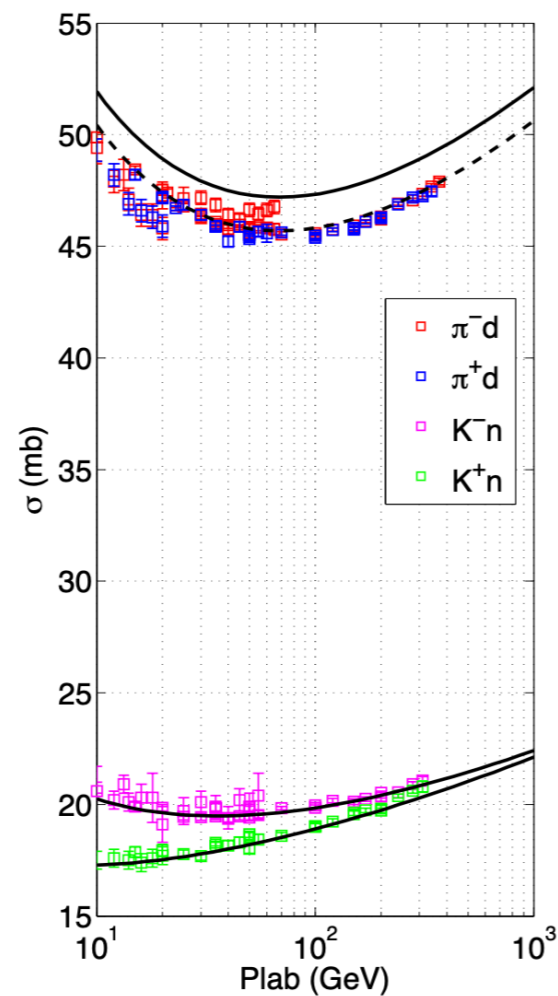
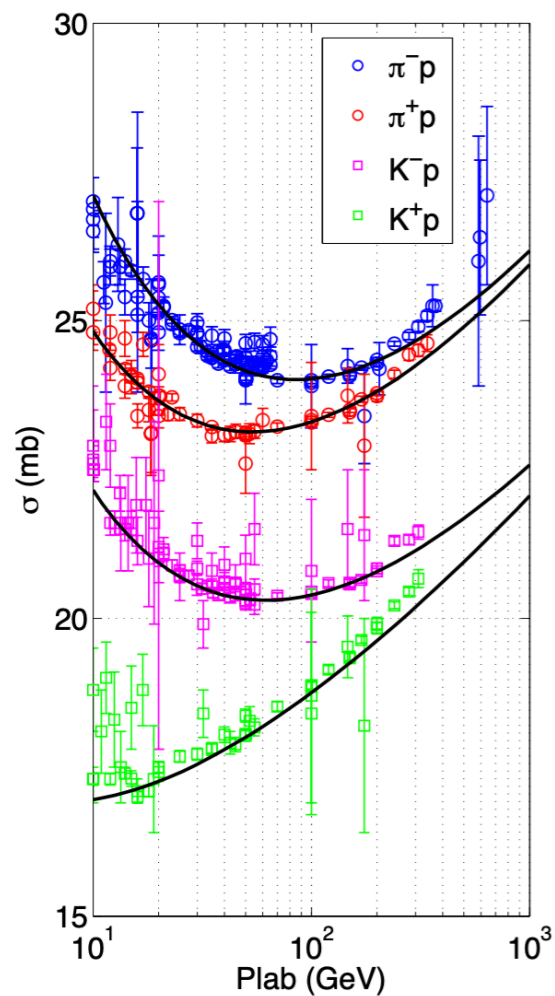
Total cross sections

Table 2: Regge exchanges for elastic scatterings

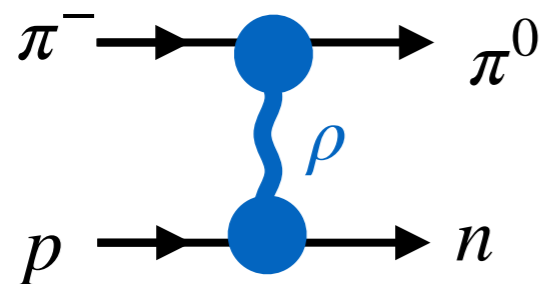
$$\sigma(s) = \frac{1}{s} [A s^{1.08} + B s^{0.5}]$$

Exch.	\mathbb{P}	f	ρ	ω	a
$p+p+$	5.93	21.88	2.67	8.51	2.60
$\pi^+\pi^-$	3.65	9.78	5.37	-	-
K^+K^-	3.17	4.58	2.62	3.01	4.34

$\pi^\pm p$	$\mathbb{P} + f \pm \rho$
$\pi^\pm n$	$\mathbb{P} + f \mp \rho$
$K^\pm p$	$\mathbb{P} + f \pm \rho + a \pm \omega$
$K^\pm n$	$\mathbb{P} + f \mp \rho - a \pm \omega$
pp	$\mathbb{P} + f + \rho + a + \omega$ (+ unnat)
$\bar{p}p$	$\mathbb{P} + f - \rho + a - \omega$ (+ unnat)
pn	$\mathbb{P} + f - \rho - a + \omega$ (+ unnat)
$\bar{p}n$	$\mathbb{P} + f + \rho - a - \omega$ (+ unnat)

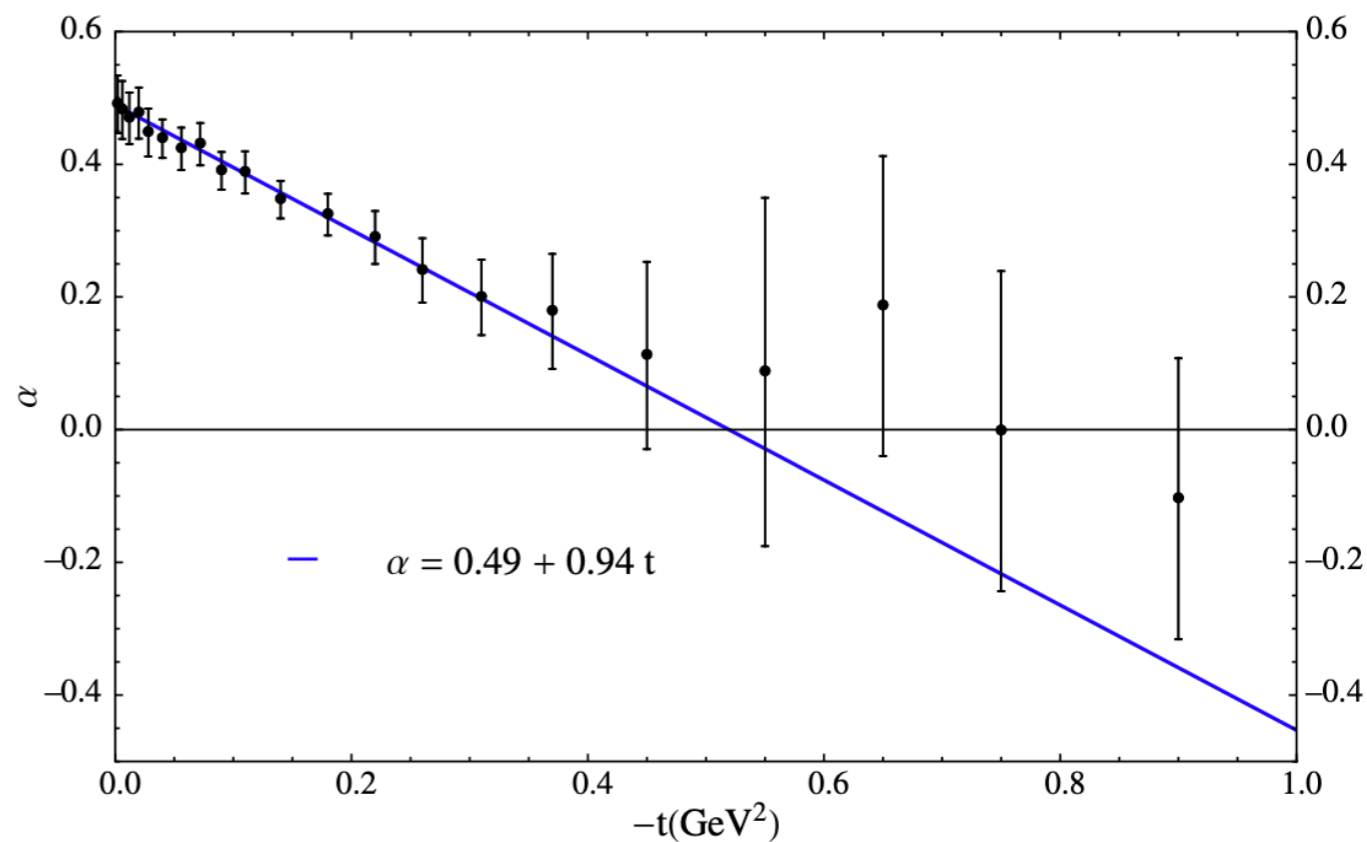
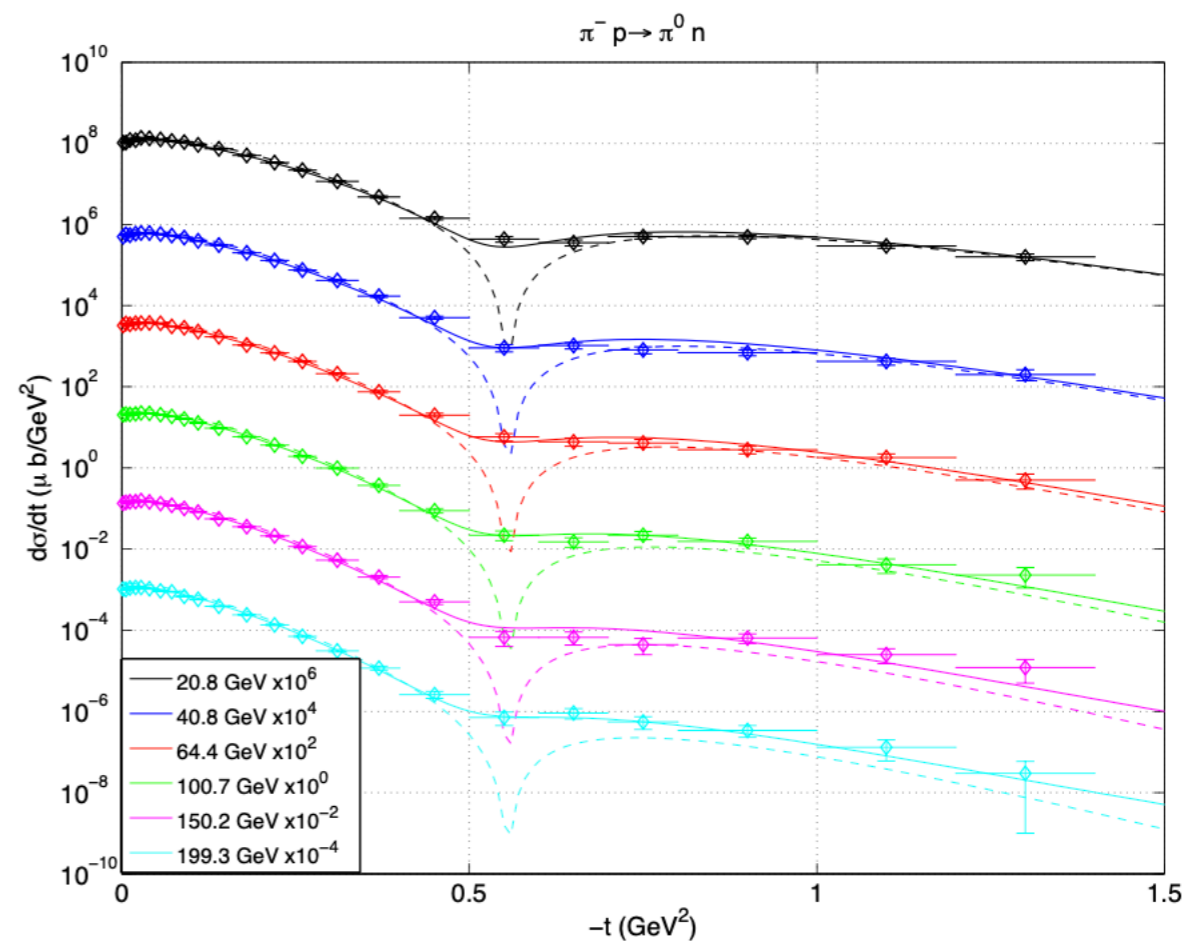


The ρ trajectory



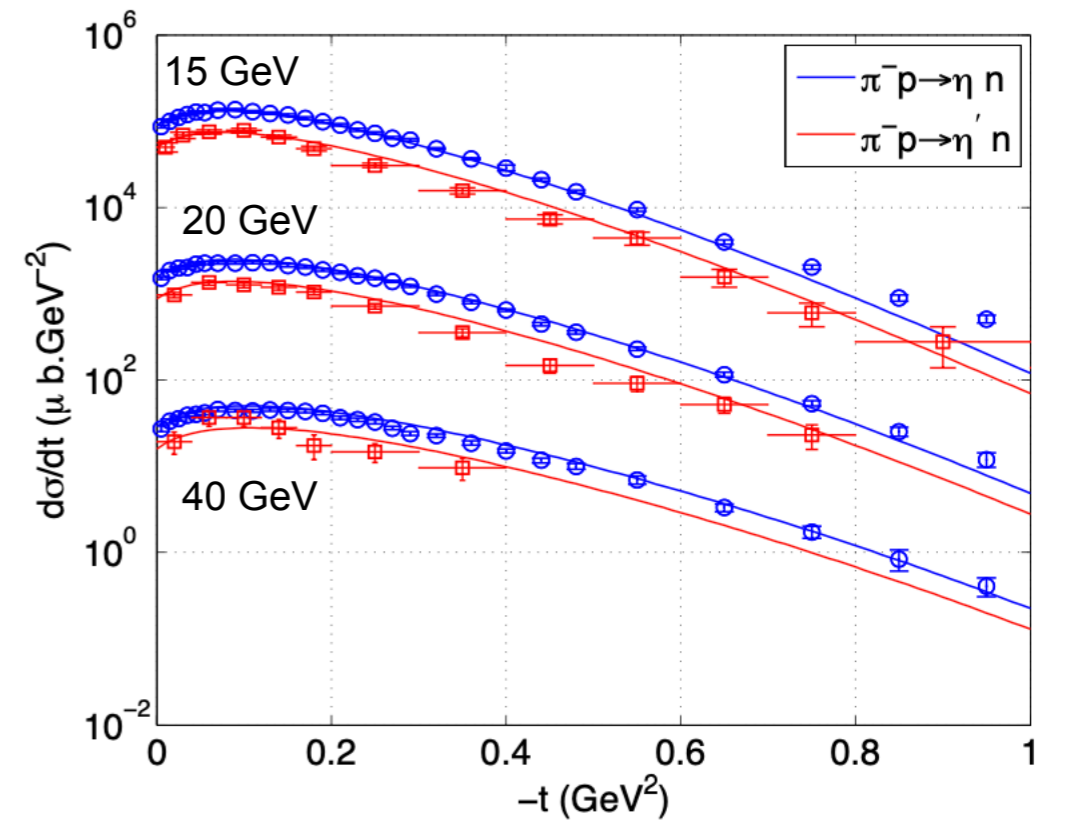
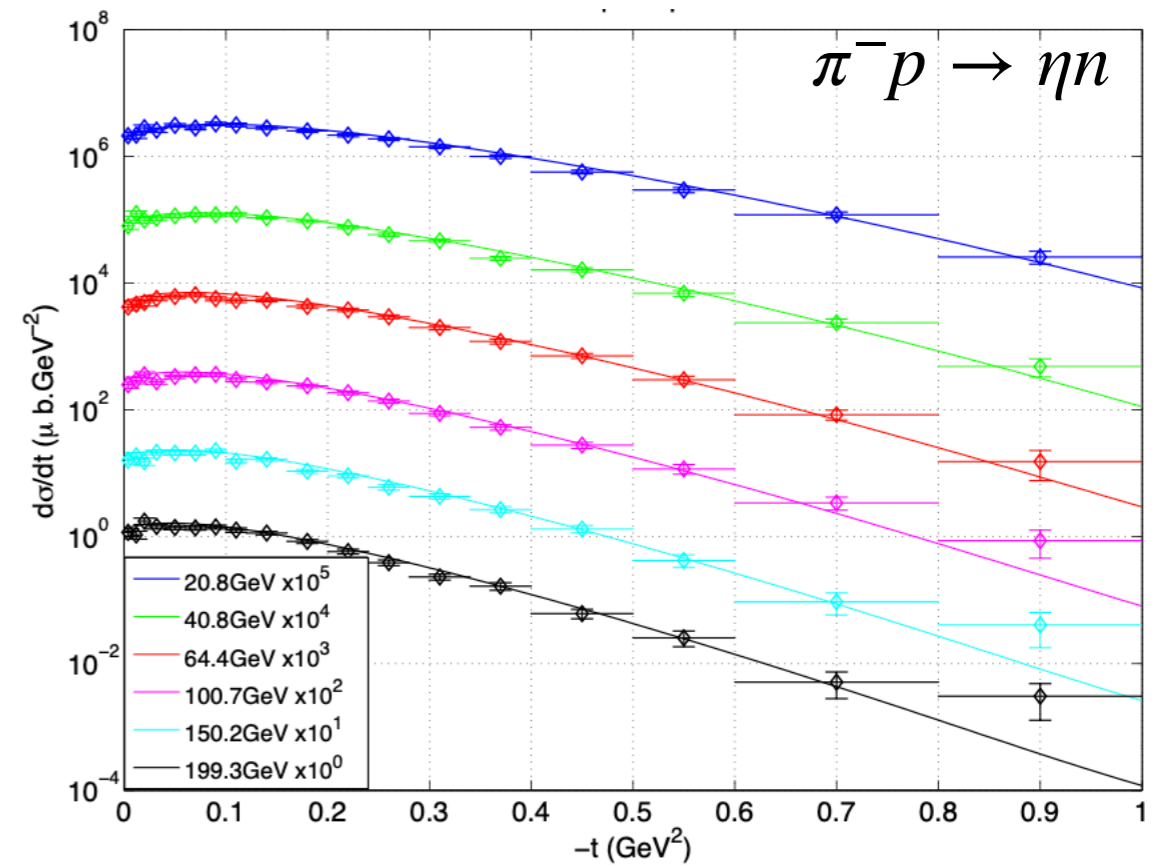
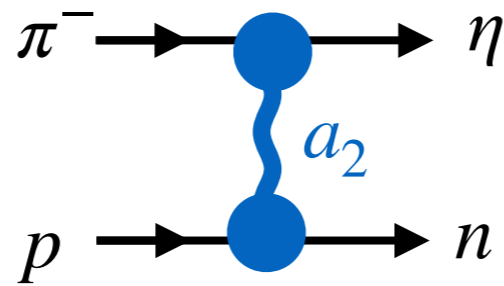
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{1}{p_L^2} |\beta(t) s^{\alpha(t)}|^2$$

$$\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{p_L^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \Big|_a}{p_L^2 \frac{d\sigma}{dt} \Big|_b} \right) / \log \frac{S_a}{S_b}$$



The a_2 trajectory

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dt} = \frac{1}{s} |\beta(t) s^{\alpha(t)}|^2$$

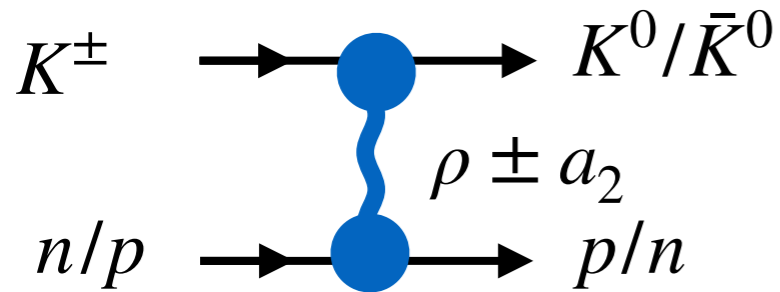


Kaon CEX

EXD implies $\alpha_\rho(t) = \alpha_{a_2}(t)$, $\beta_\rho^{KK}(t) = \beta_{a_2}^{KK}(t)$ and $\beta_\rho^{pn}(t) = \beta_{a_2}^{pn}(t)$

$$A^\rho = \beta(t)(1 - e^{-i\pi\alpha(t)})(s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)}$$

$$A^{a_2} = \beta(t)(1 + e^{-i\pi\alpha(t)})(s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)}$$



Sum and difference are

$$A^{(a)} = 2\beta(t)(s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)}$$

$$A^{(s)} = 2\beta(t)(s/s_0)^{\alpha(t)} e^{-i\pi\alpha(t)}$$

