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*Toward extracting scattering phase shift from integrated
correlation function in lattice QCD*

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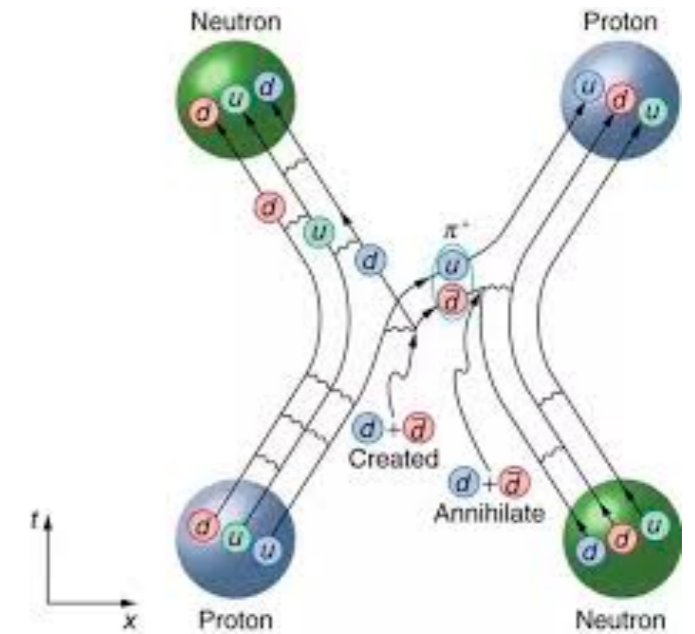
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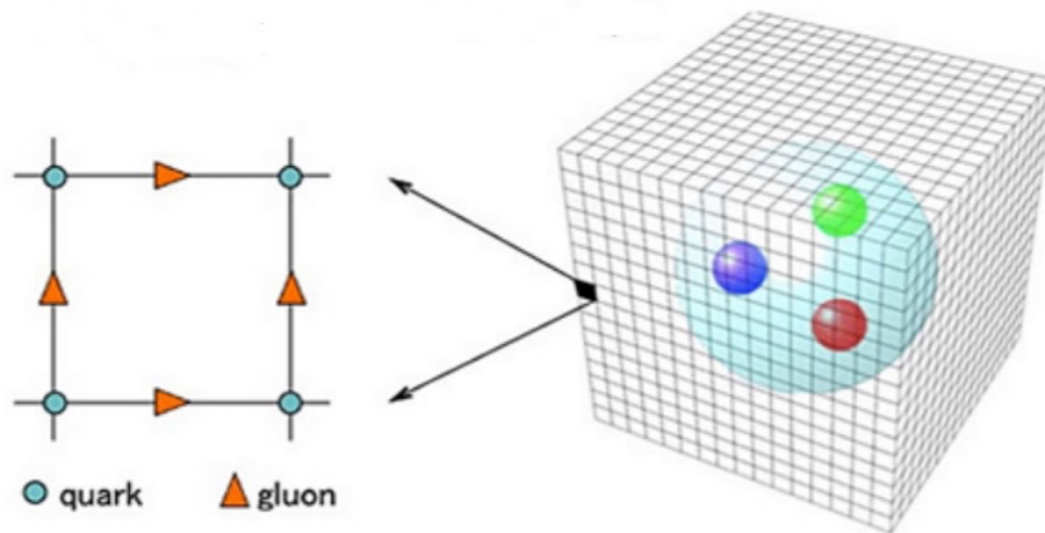
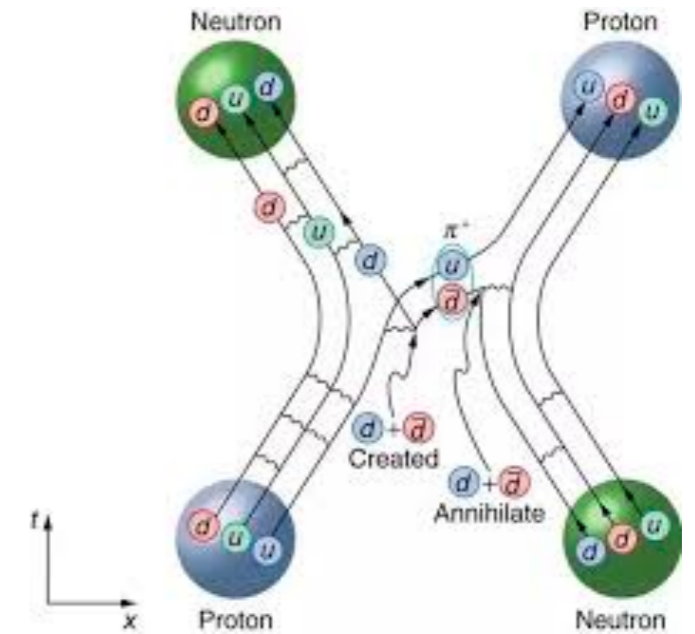
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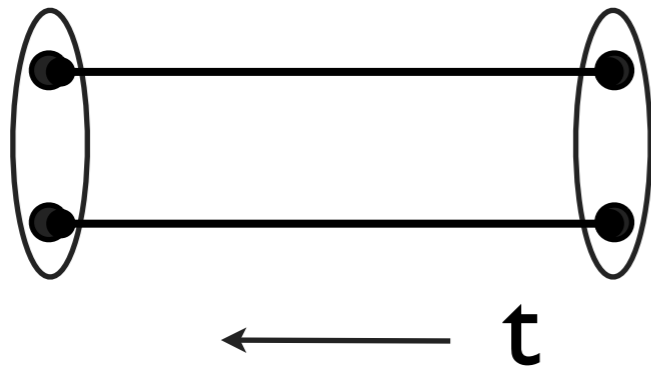


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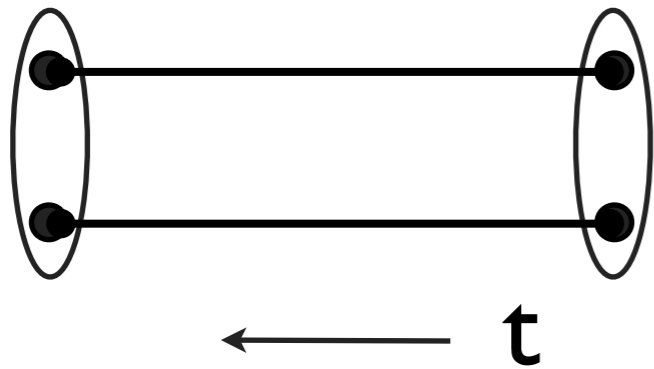




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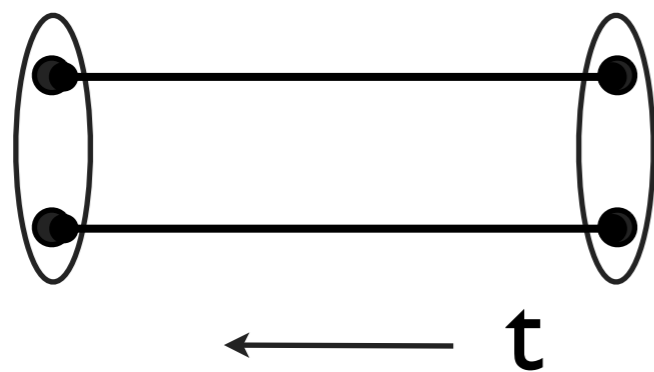


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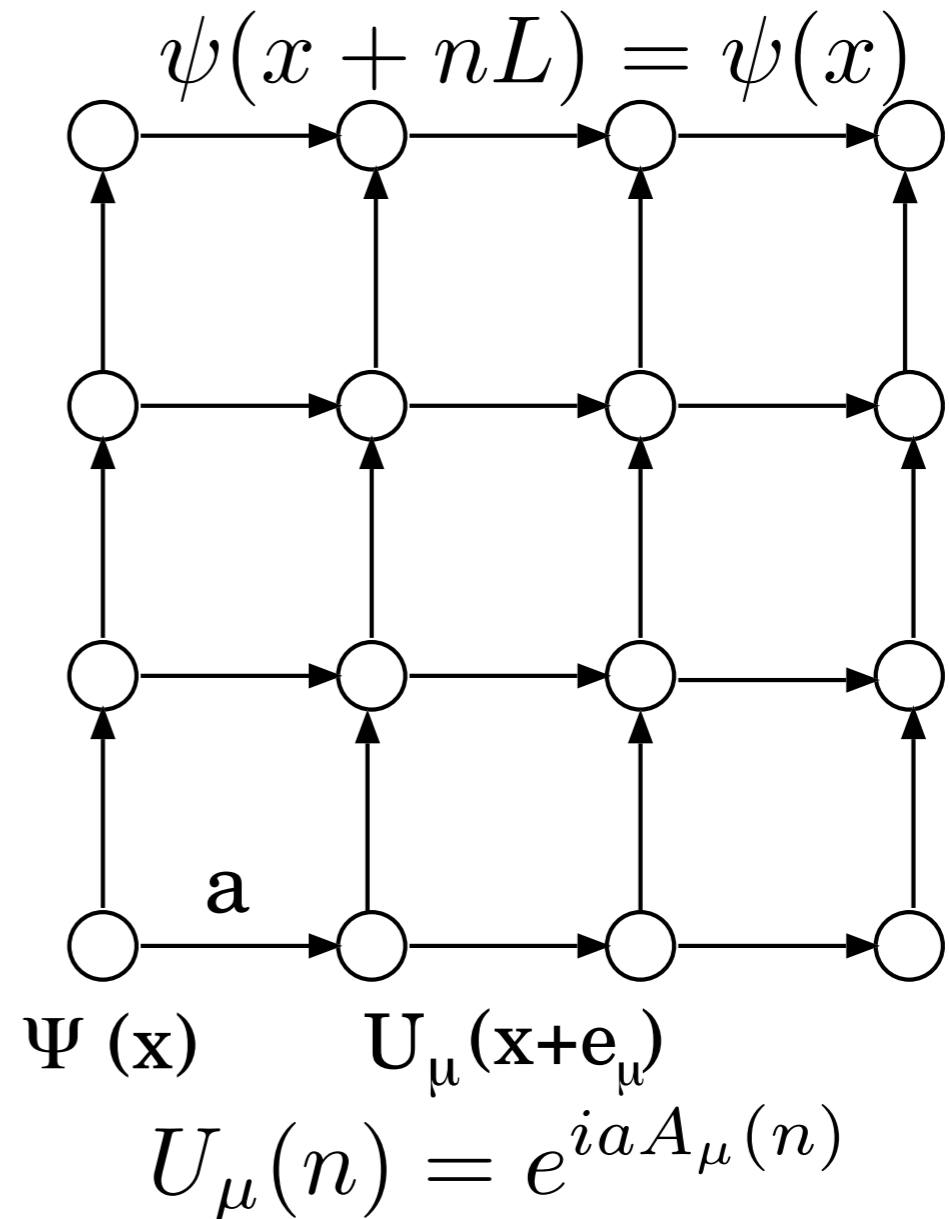
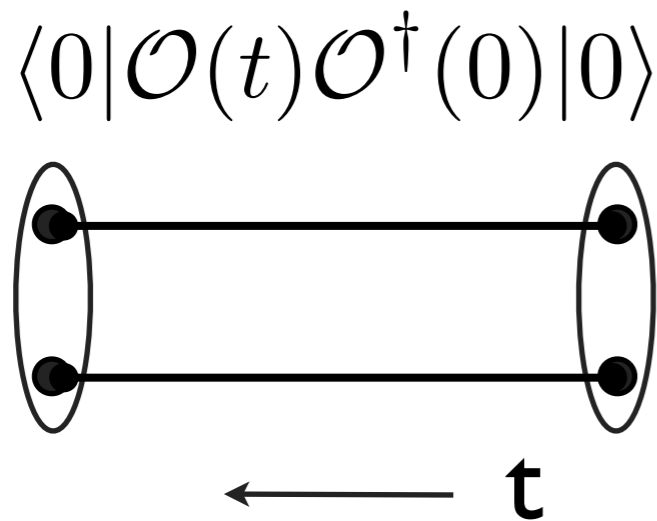




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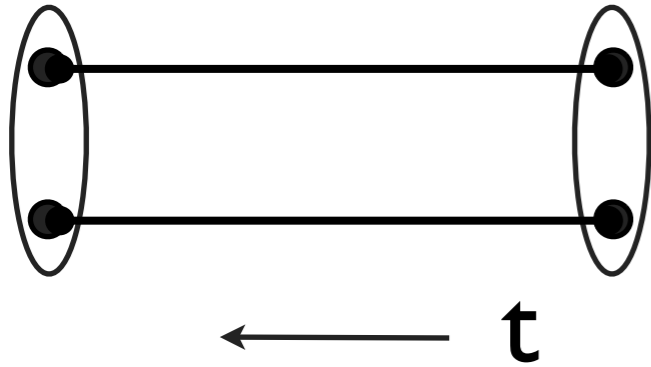
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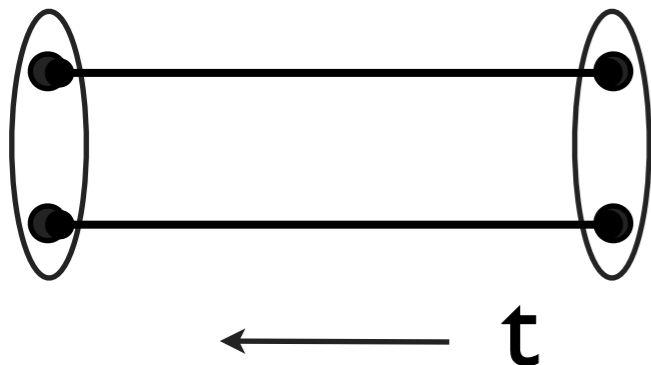


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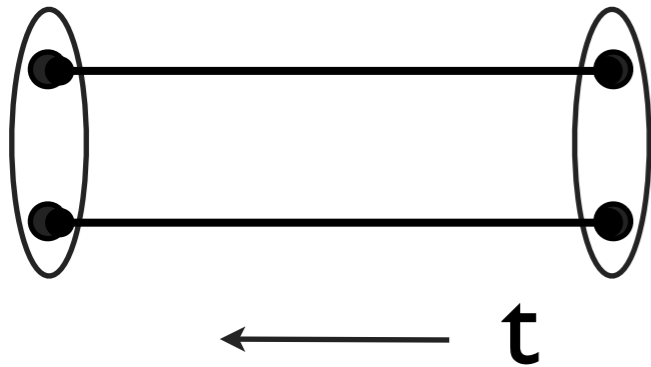


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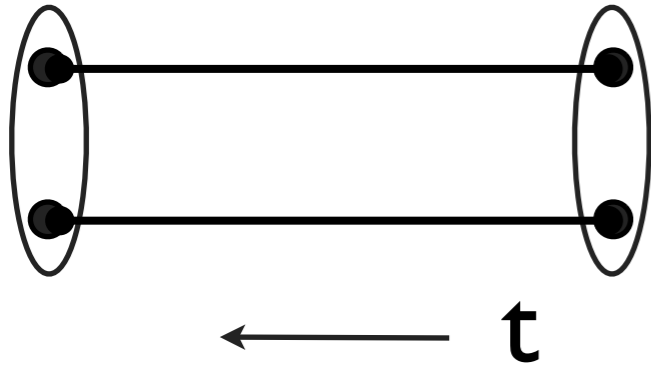


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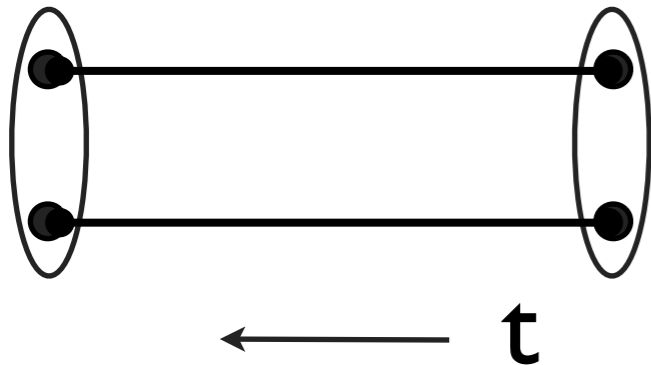
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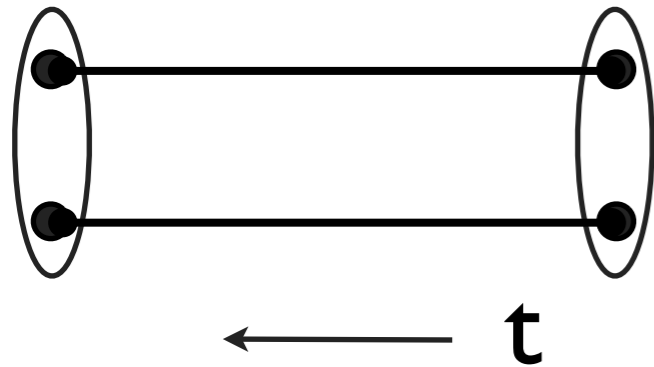
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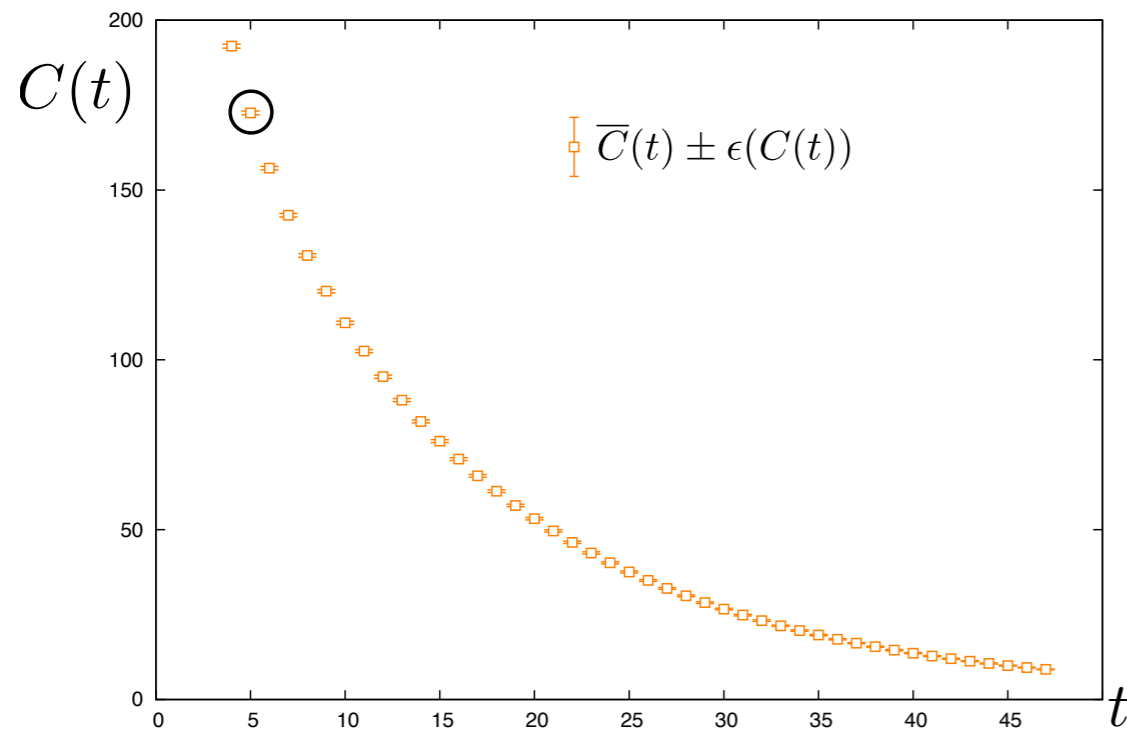
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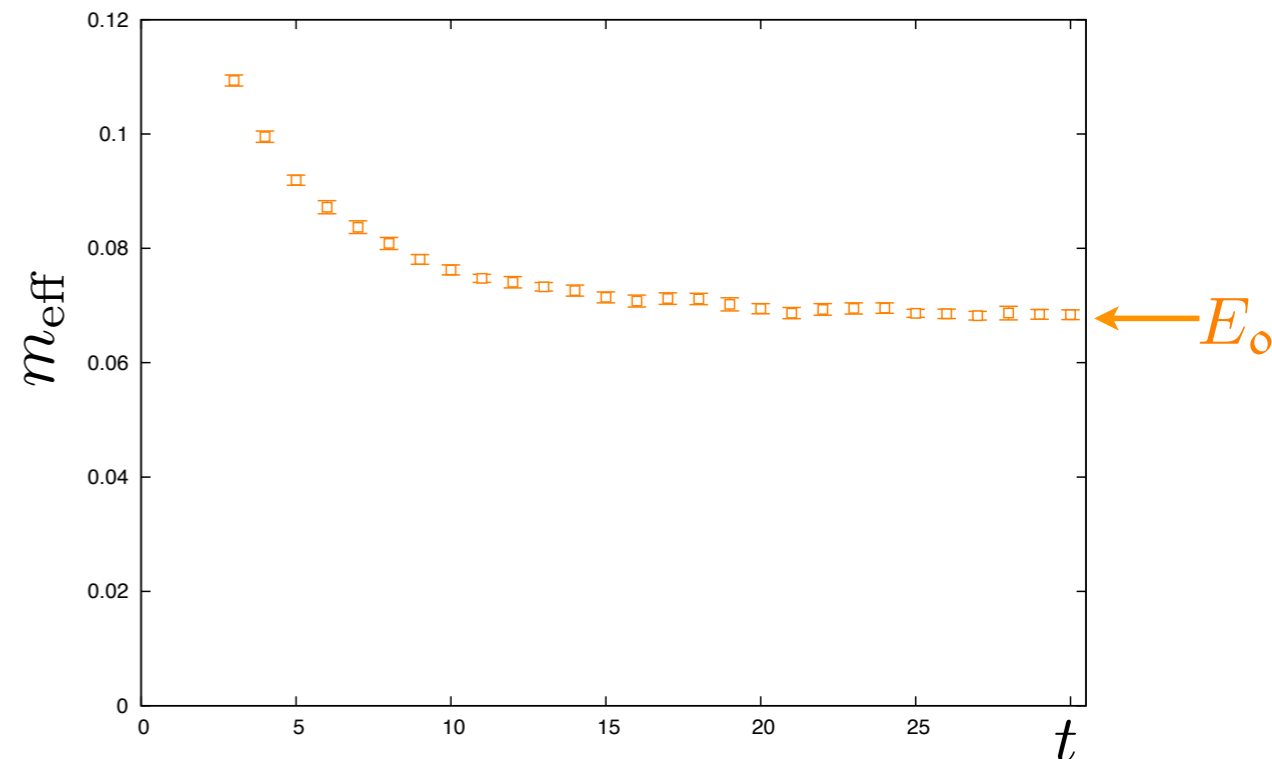
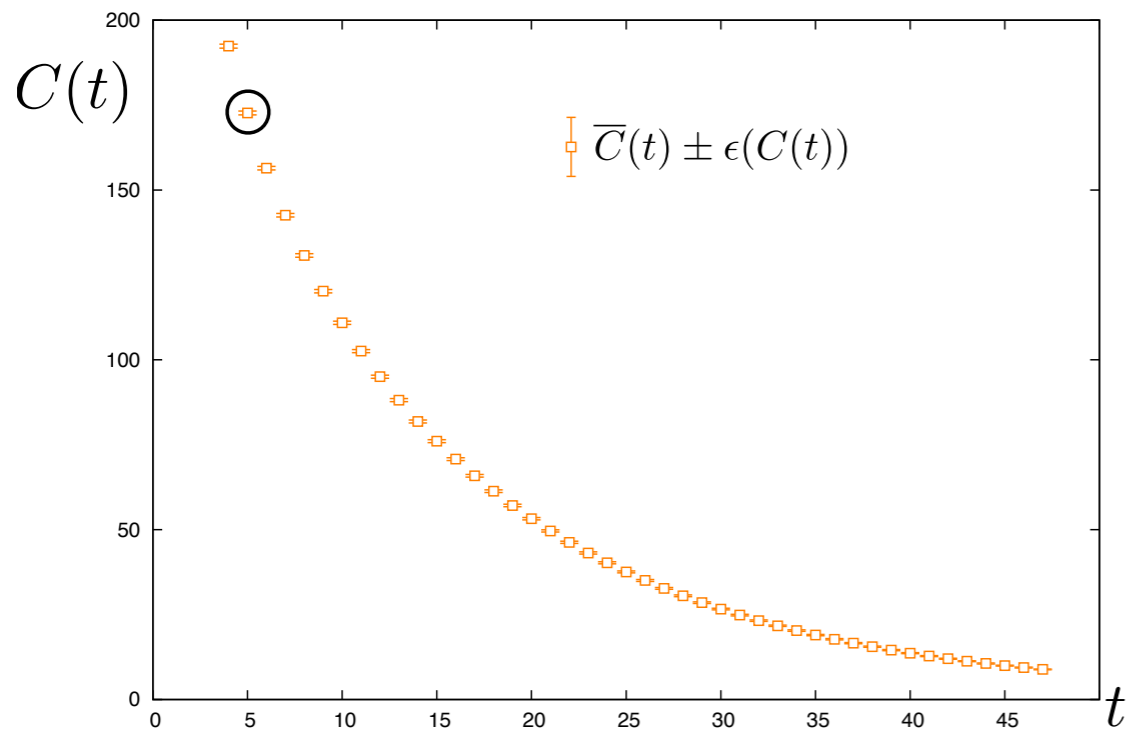
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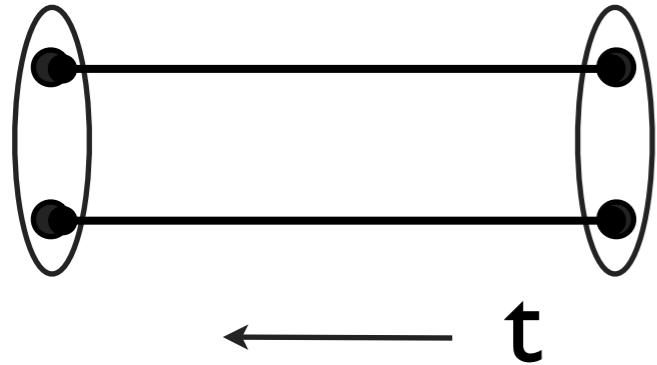


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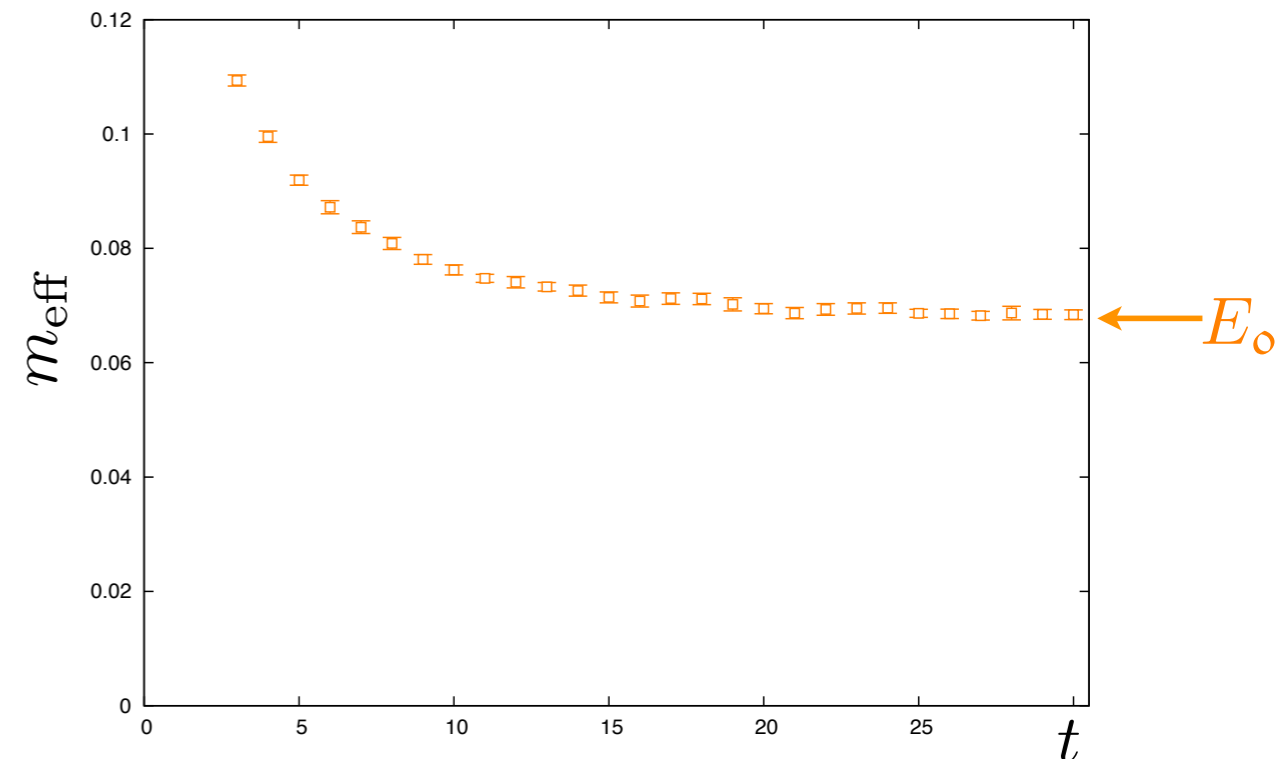
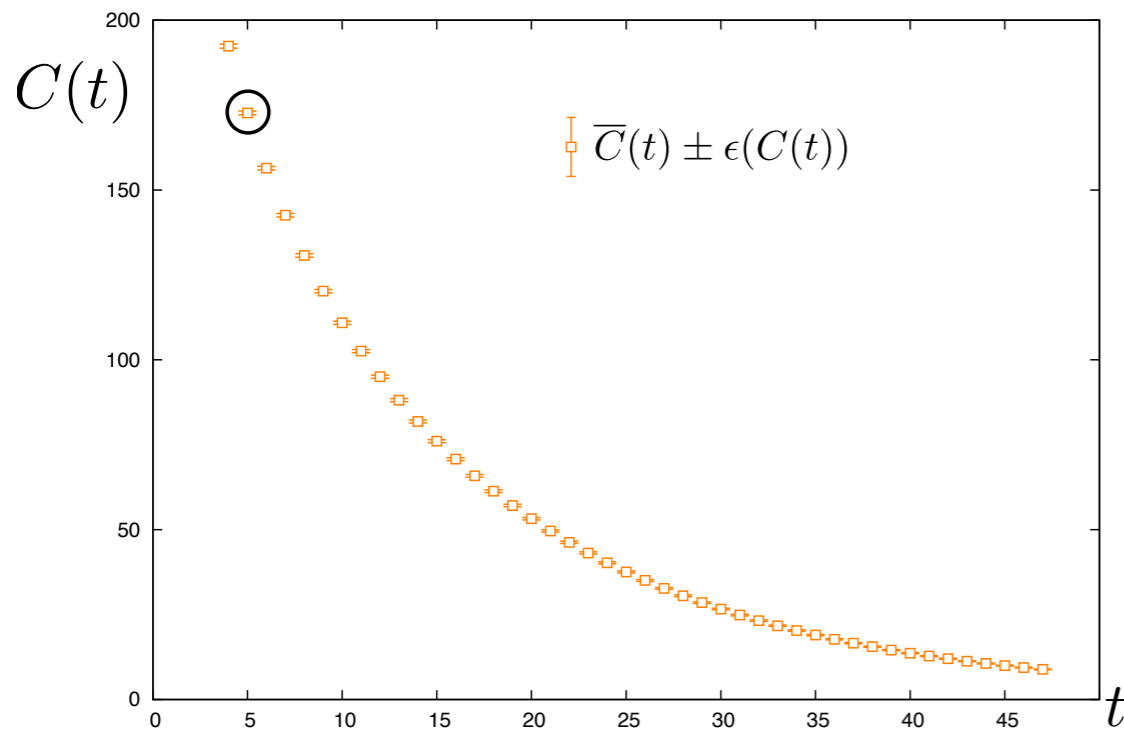
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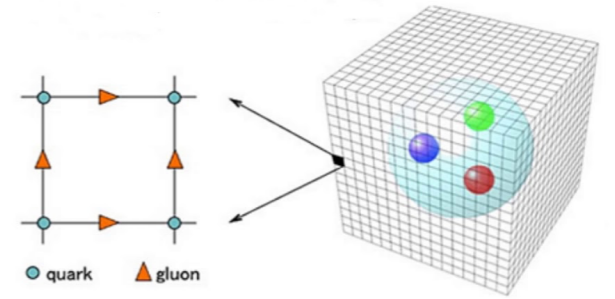
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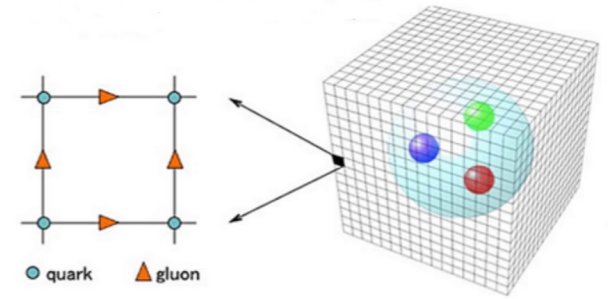
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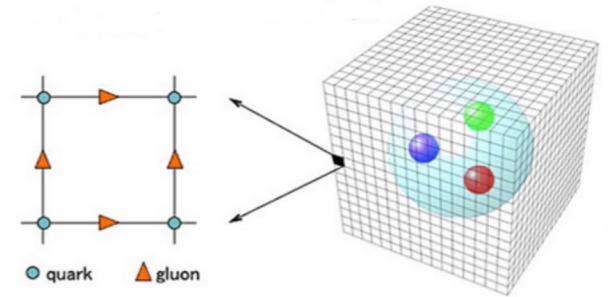
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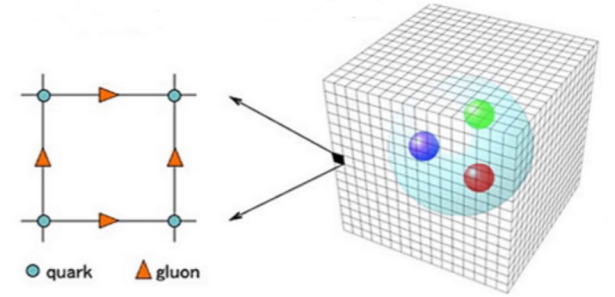


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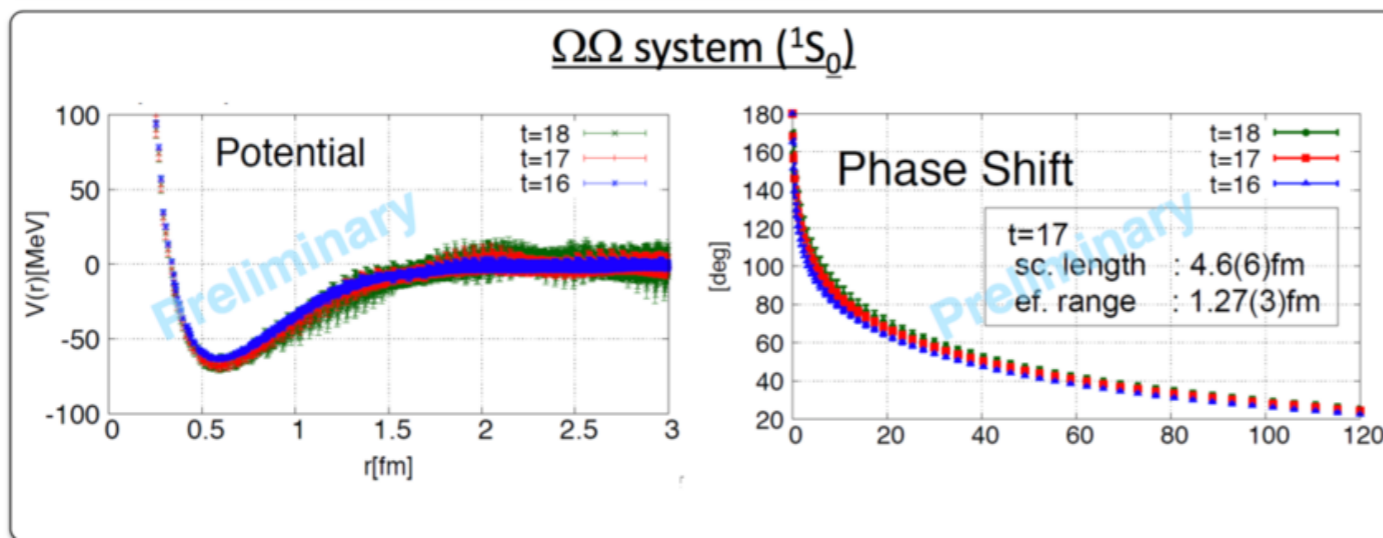
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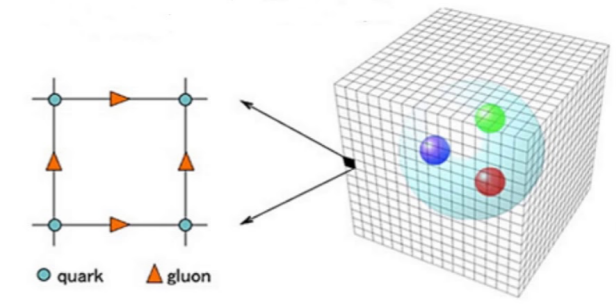
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$N_f = 2 + 1, m_\pi = 146 \text{ MeV}, a \approx 0.085 \text{ fm}, L \approx 8 \text{ fm}$



NN controversy:



✱ Two-Nucleon correlation function suffer Signal-to-noise ratio issue:

$$\mathcal{R}(t) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} e^{-(m_N - \frac{3}{2}m_\pi)t}$$

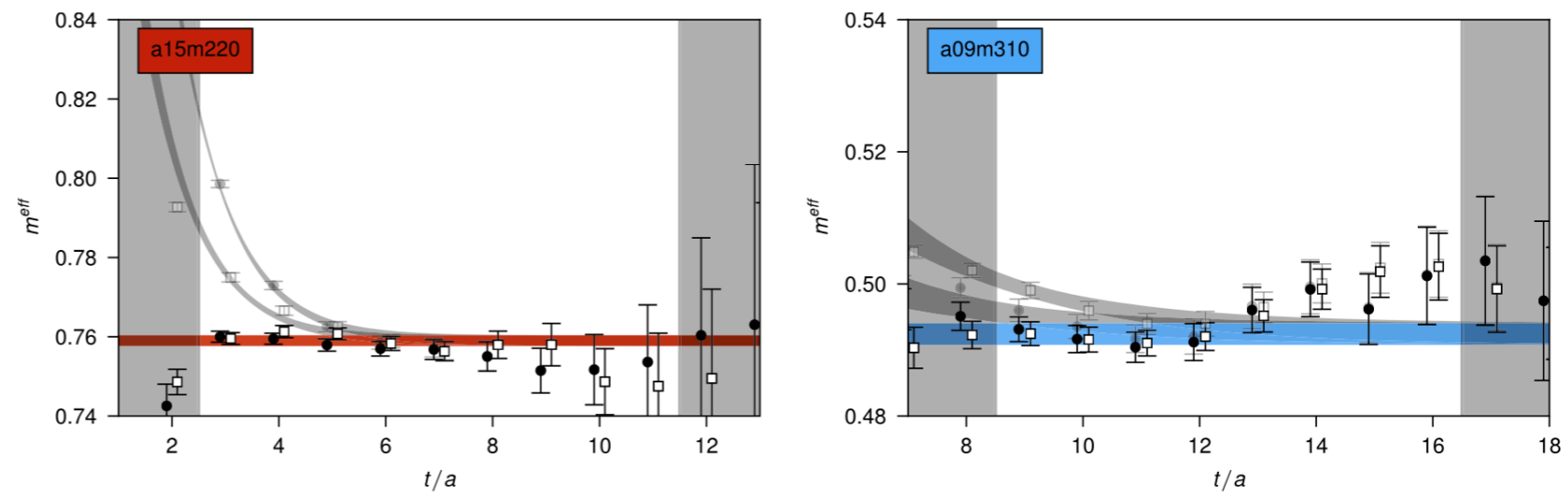


Fig. 1. Effective mass plots of the nucleon from Ref. [64] which suffer from correlated, late time fluctuations, making it more challenging to identify the ground state. The top plot is from a calculation with $a \sim 0.15$ fm and $m_\pi \sim 220$ MeV while the bottom is for $a \sim 0.09$ fm and $m_\pi \sim 310$ MeV.

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✱ Lusecher formula and HAL QCD collaboration potential method disagree on whether or not two-nucleon form a bound state with pion masses as heavy as 800 MeV

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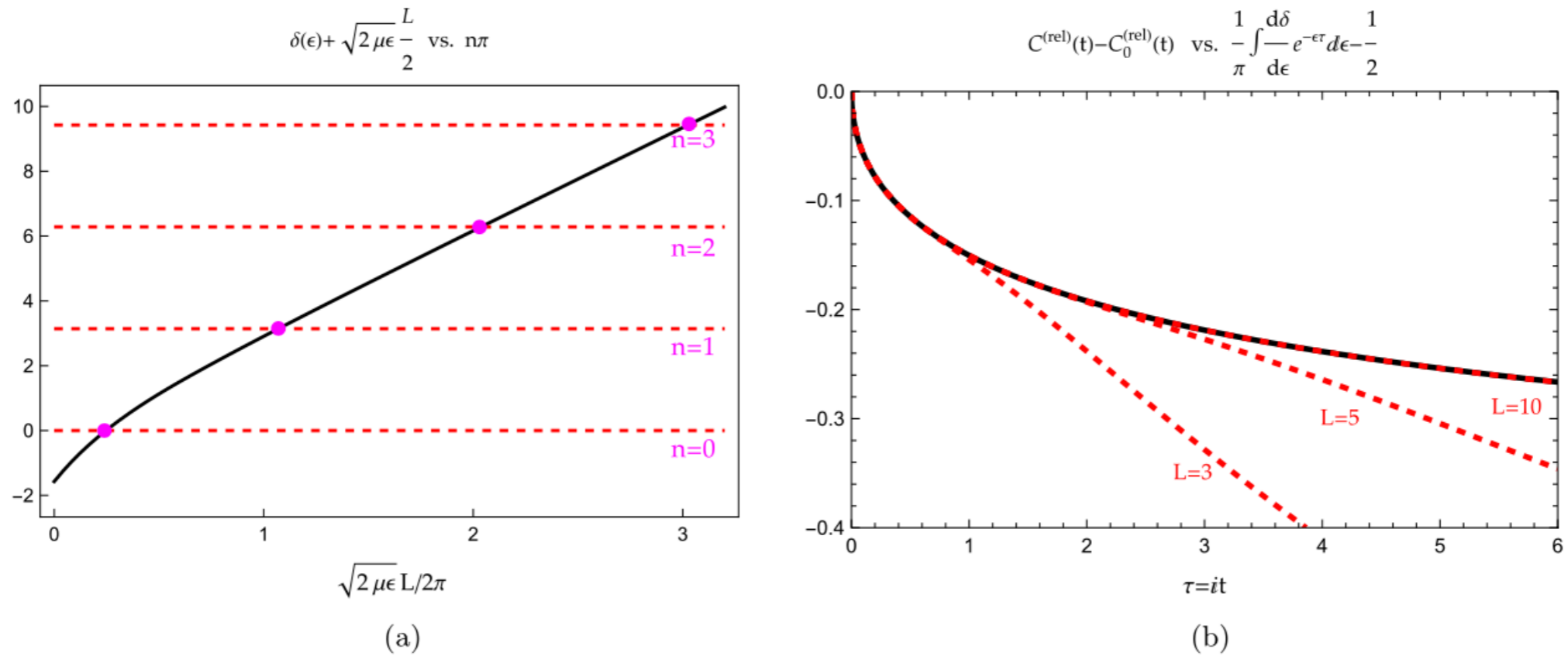
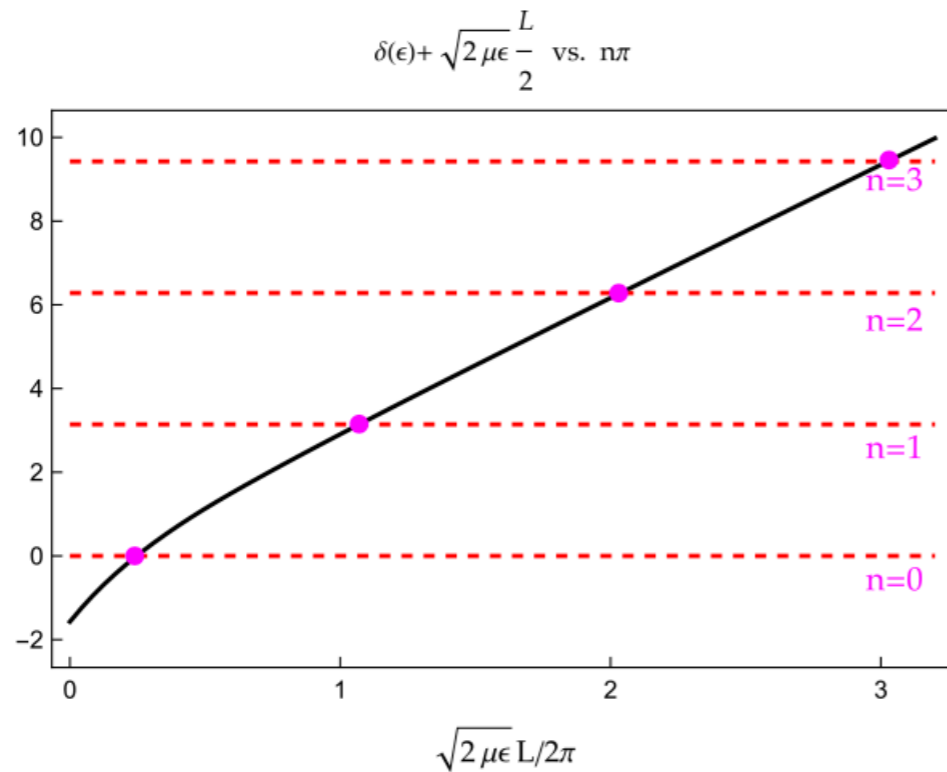


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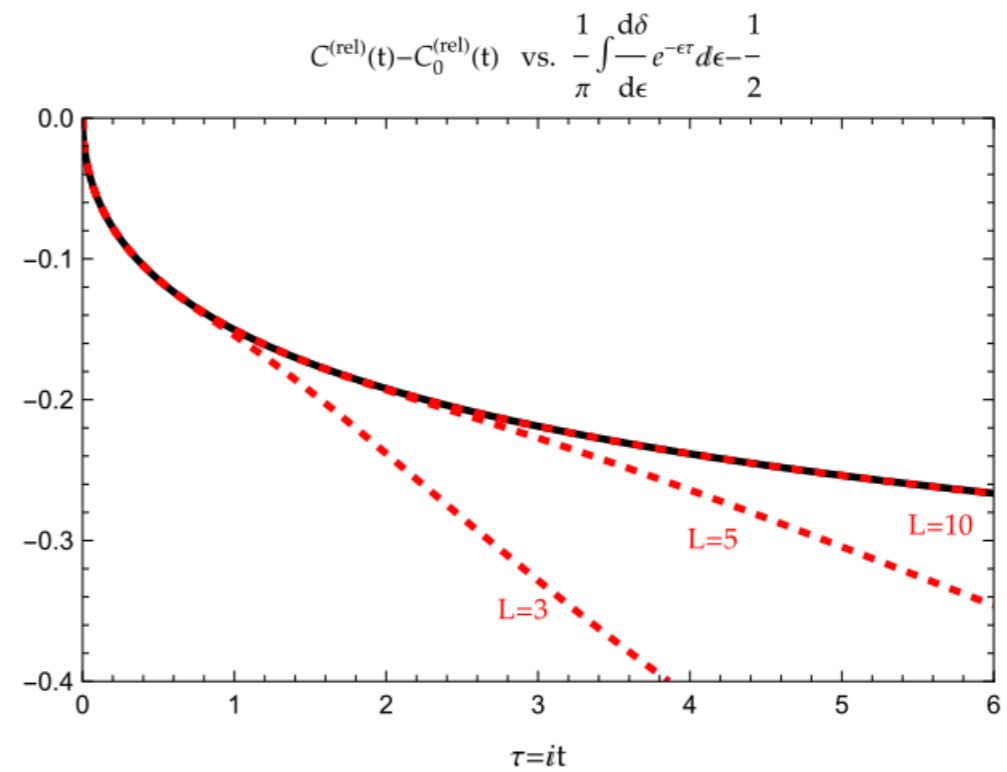
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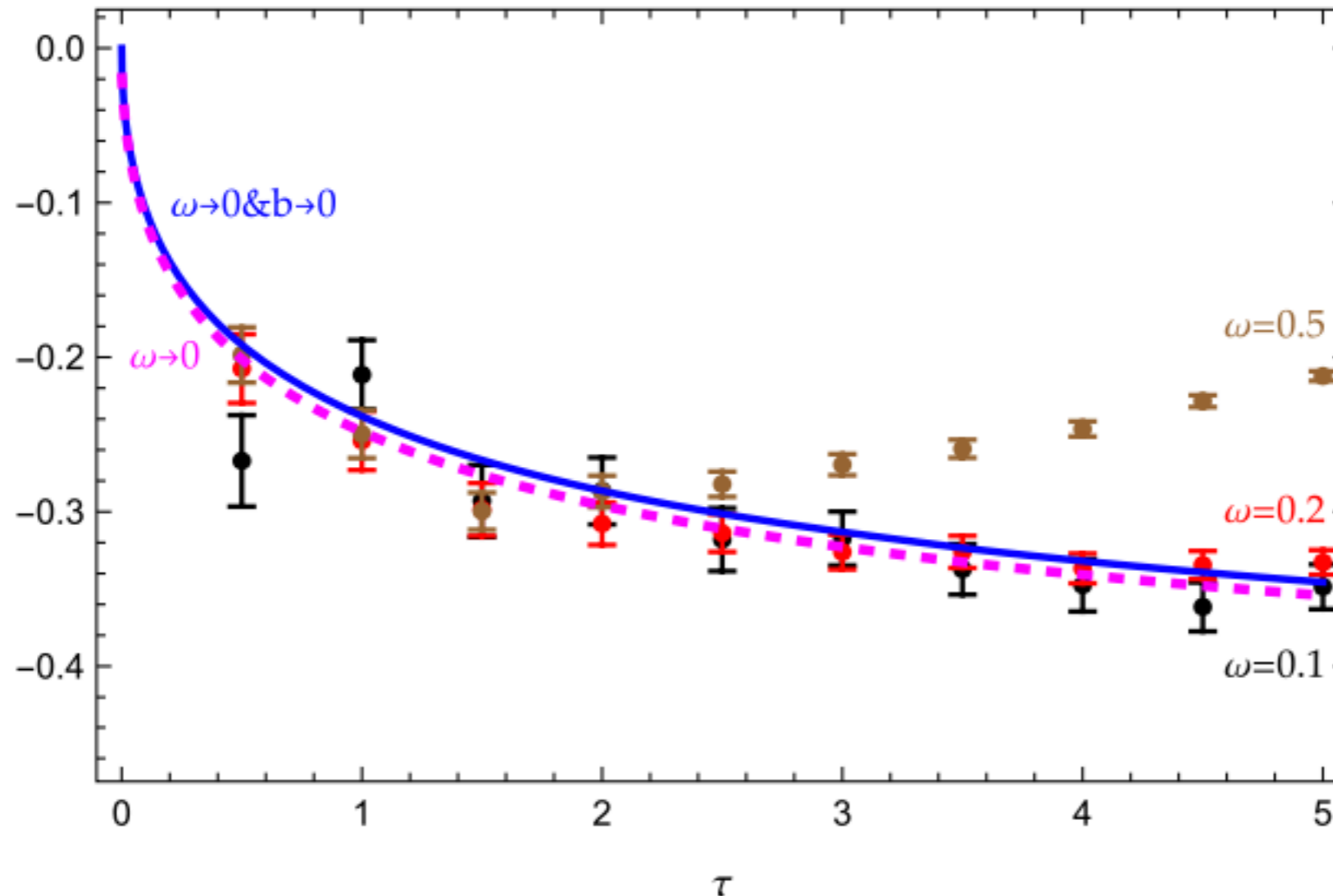
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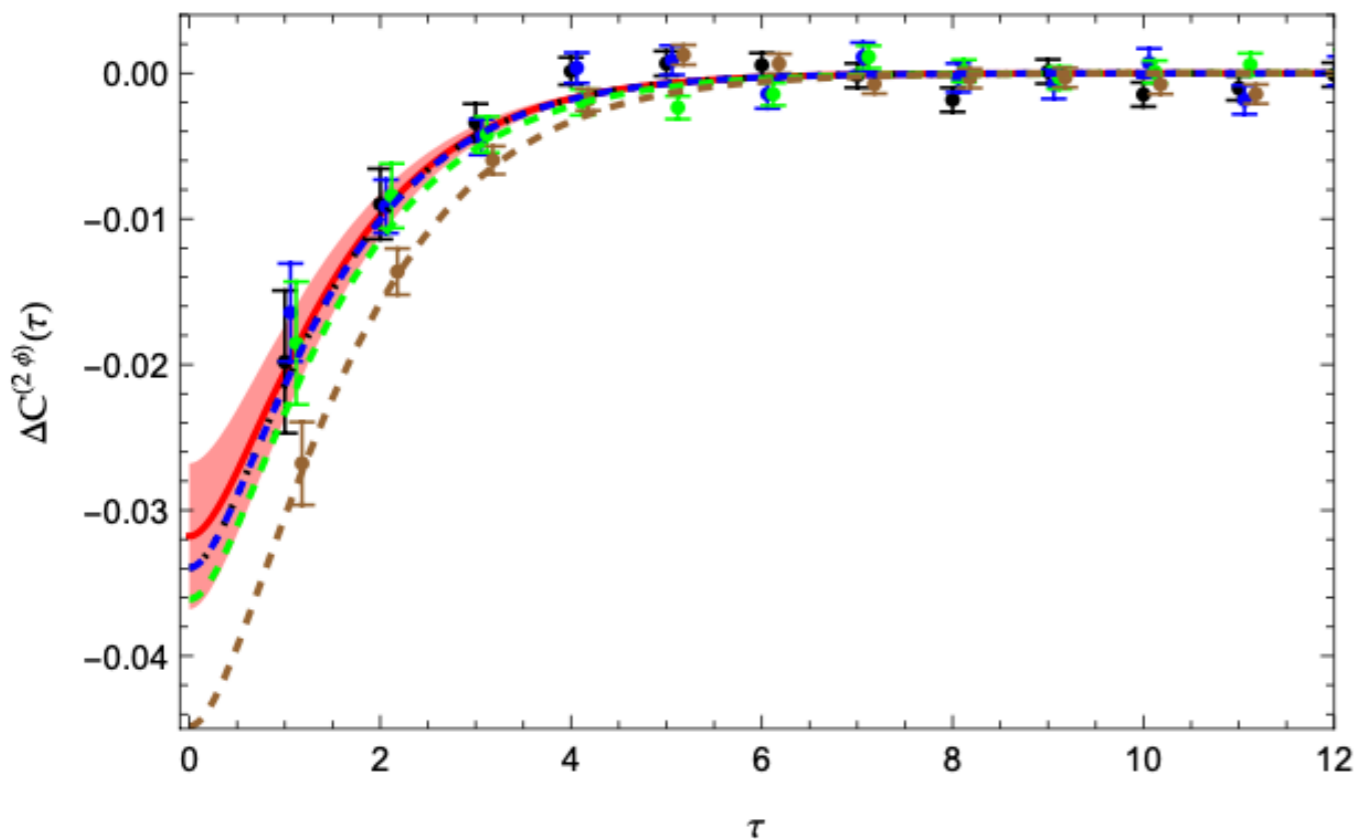
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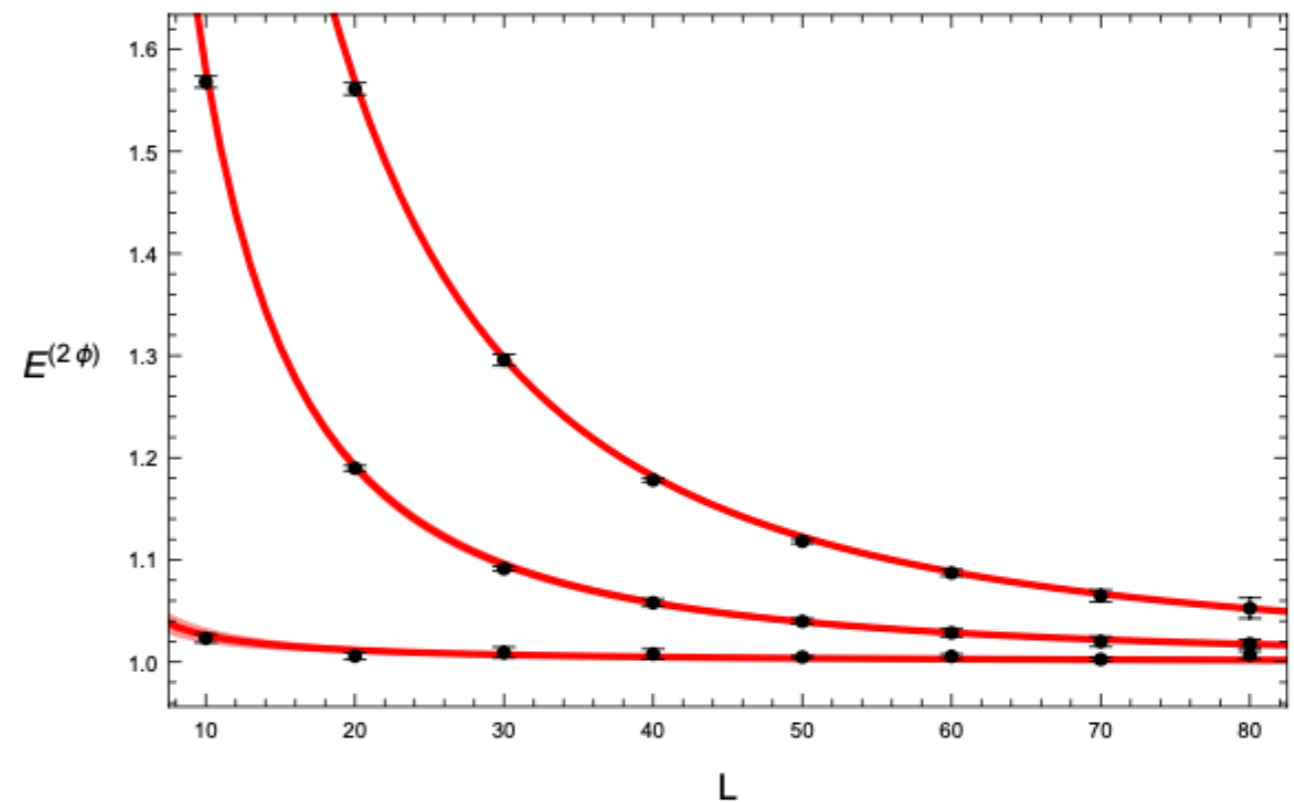
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