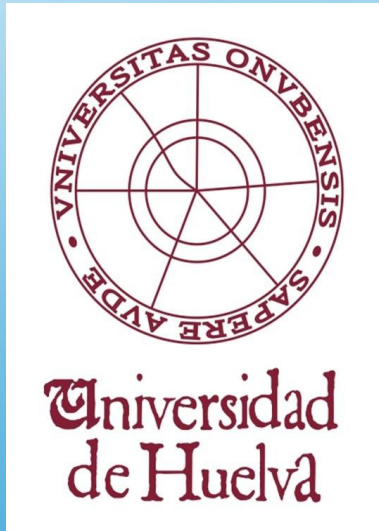


# QCD 2- and 3- point Green's functions:

From lattice results to phenomenology



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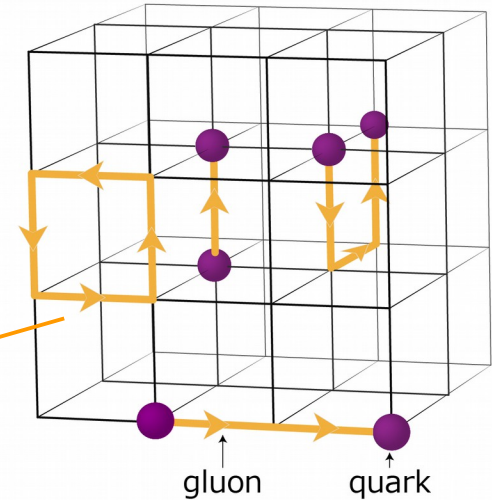
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Tree-level Symanzik gauge action

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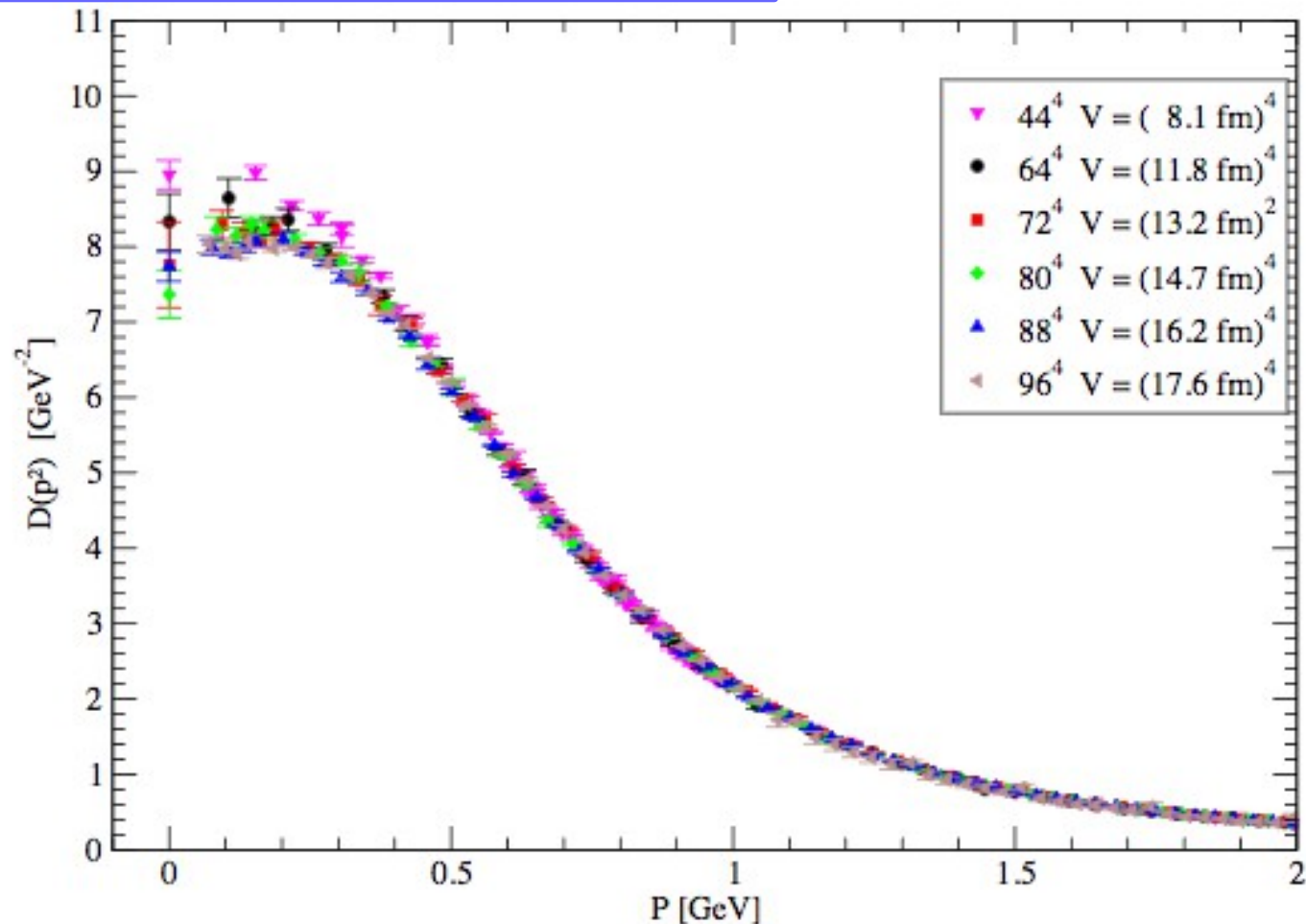
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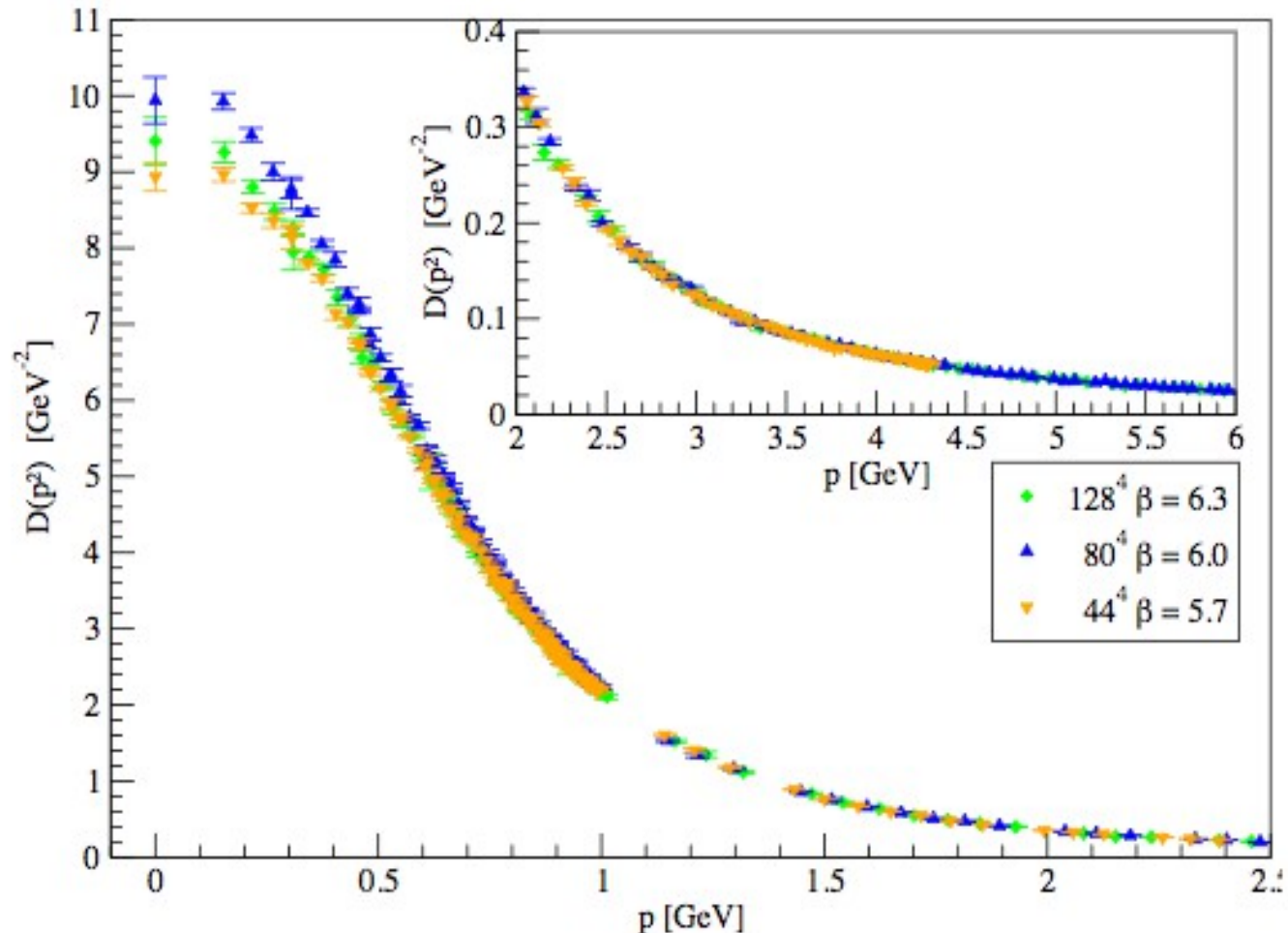
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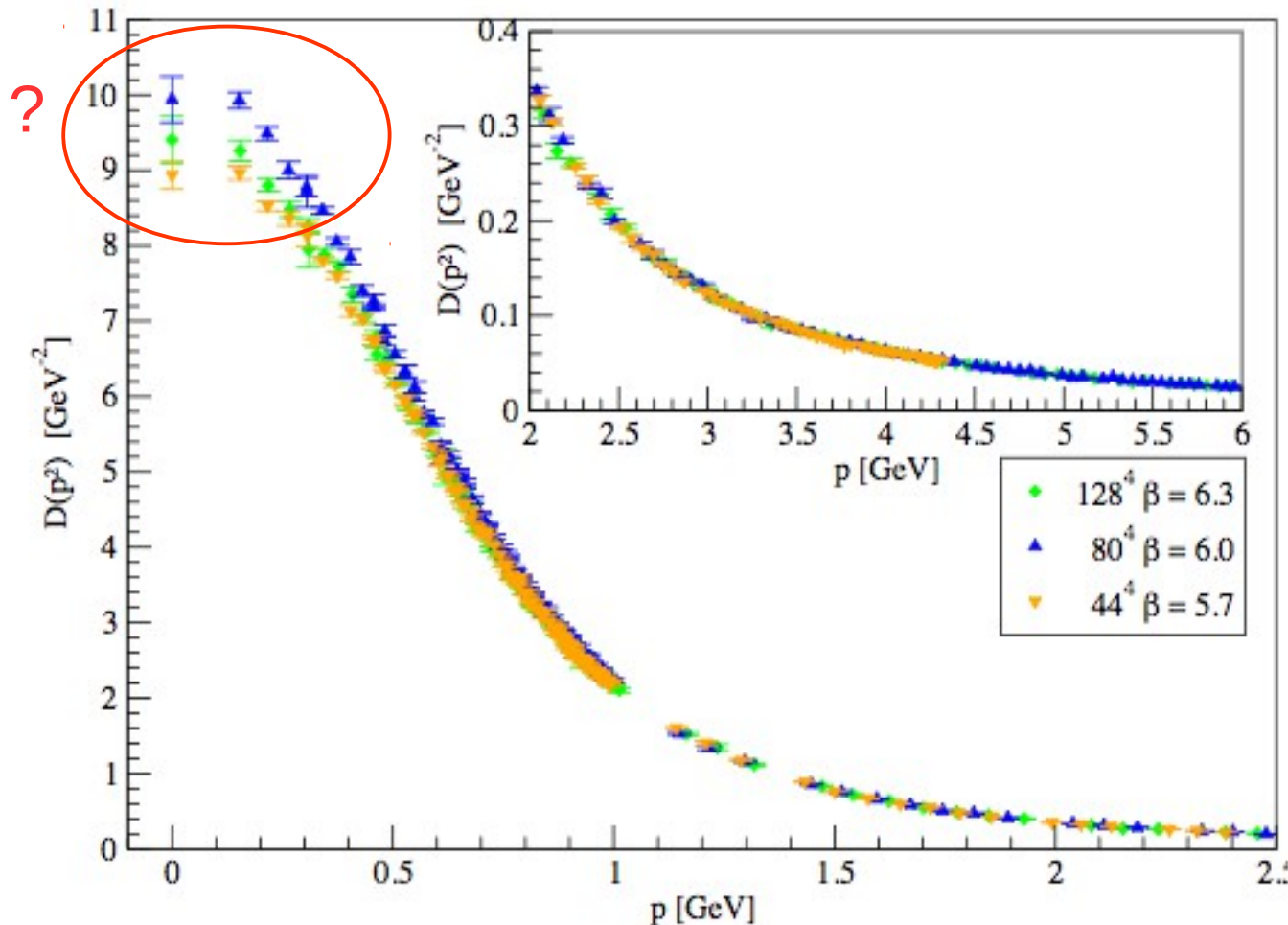
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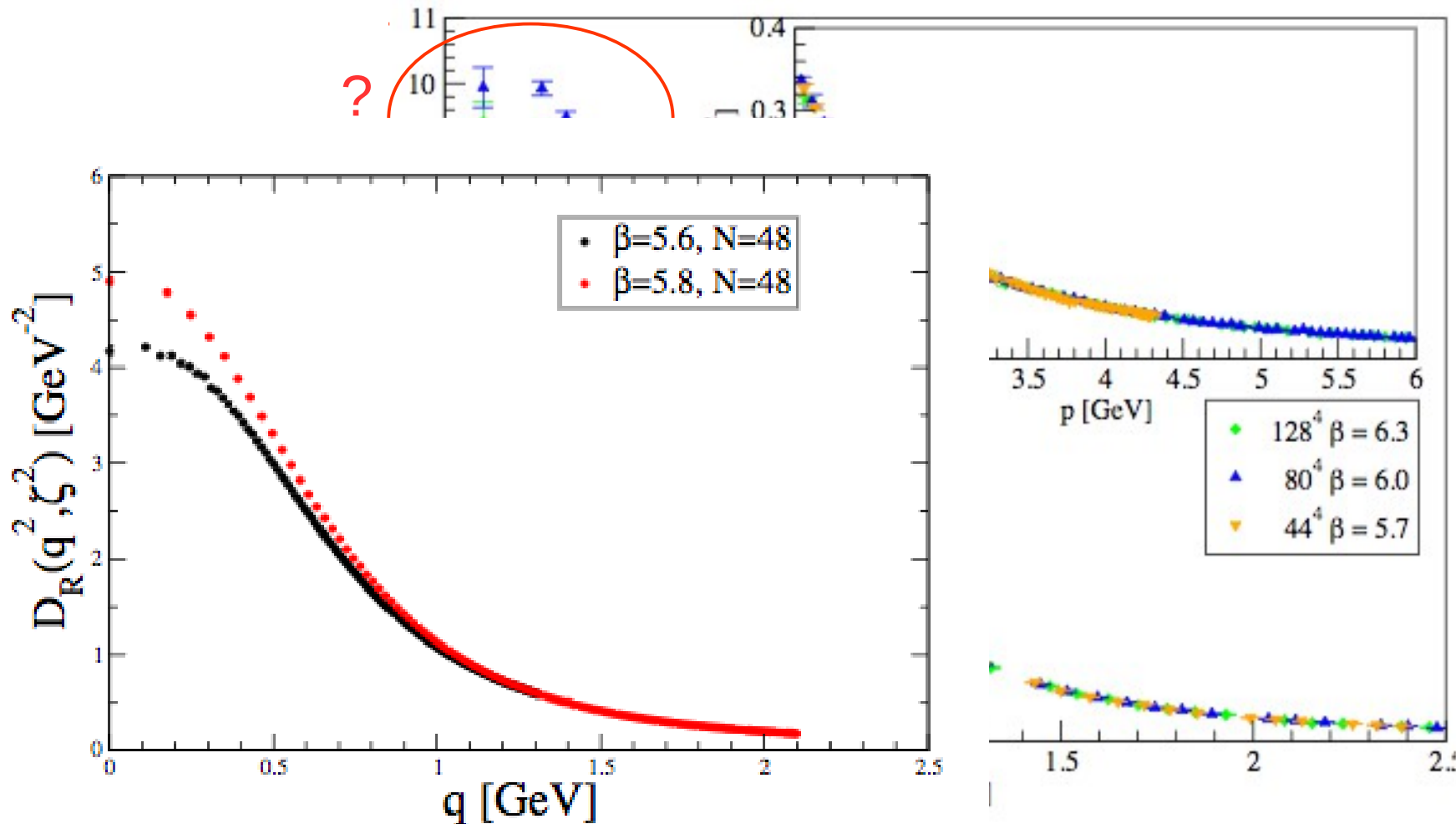
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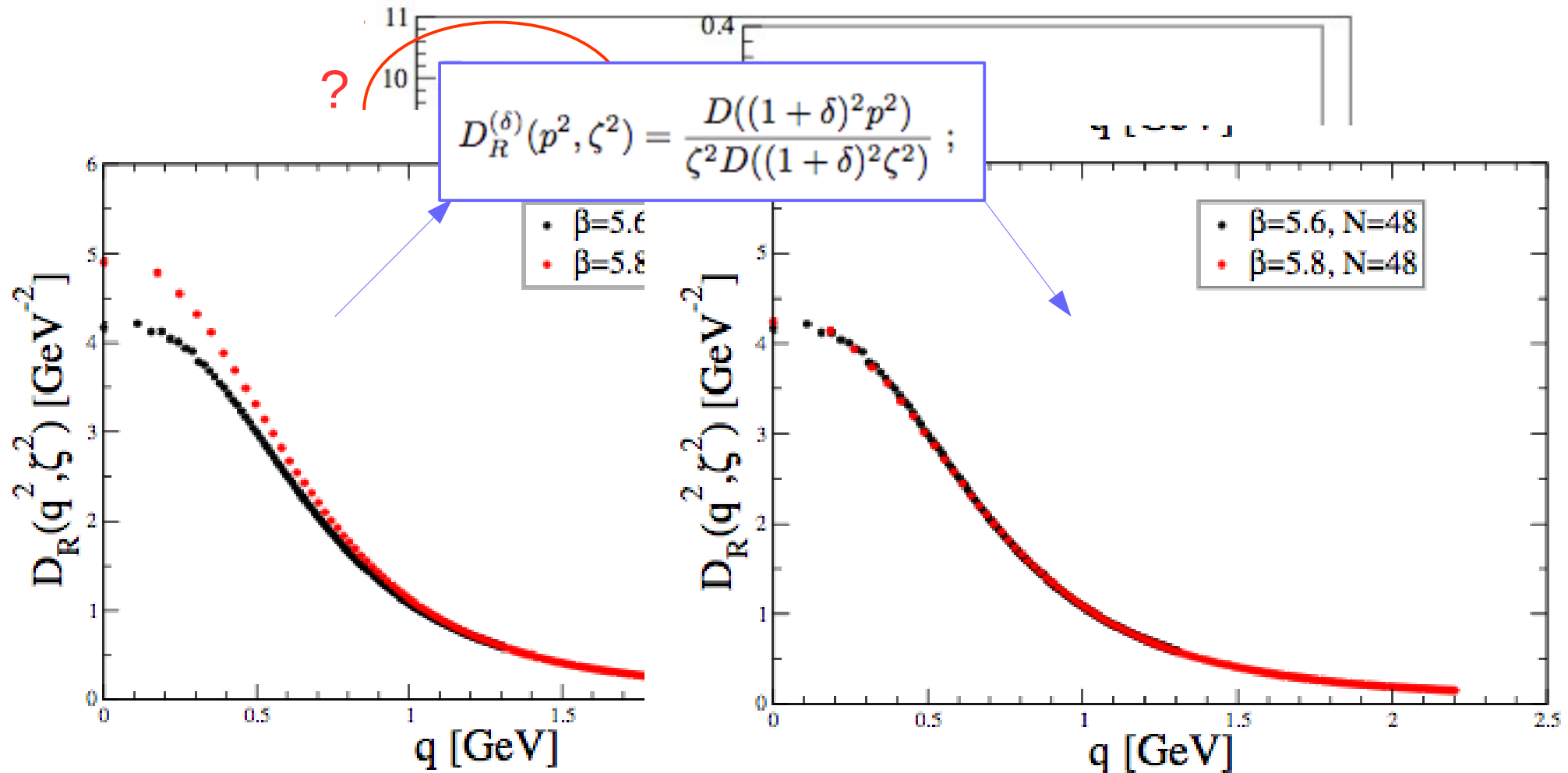


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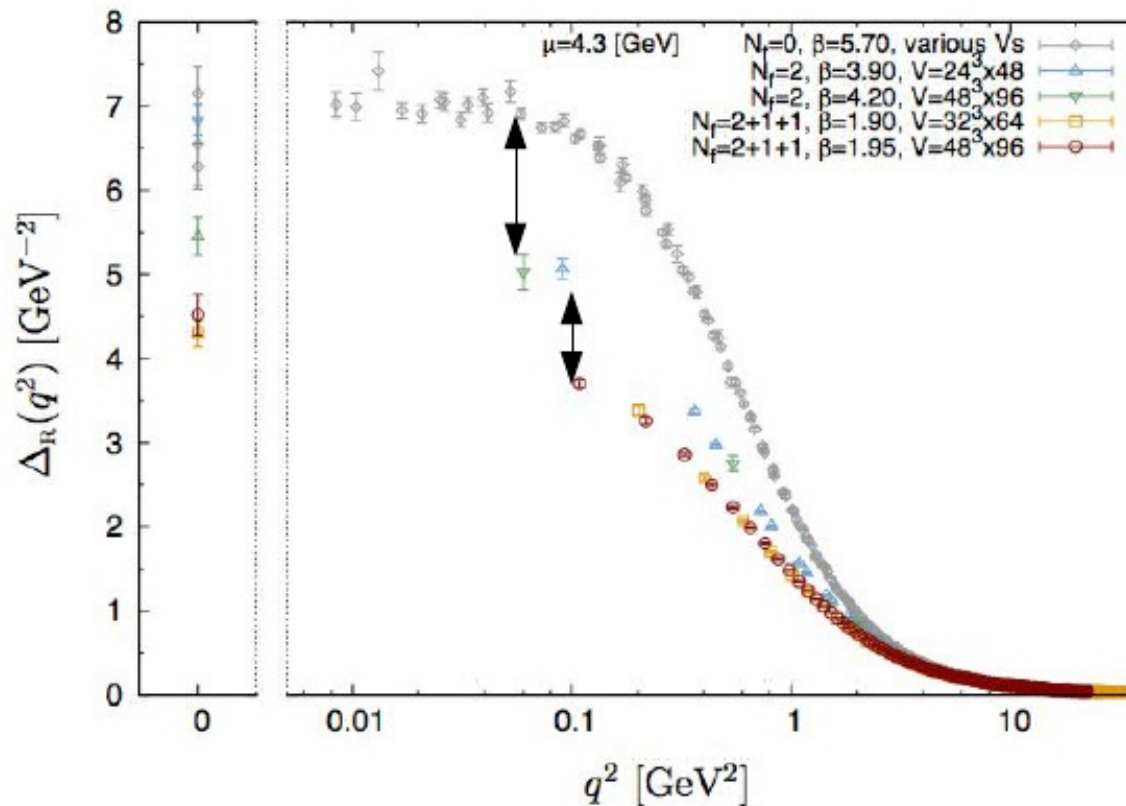
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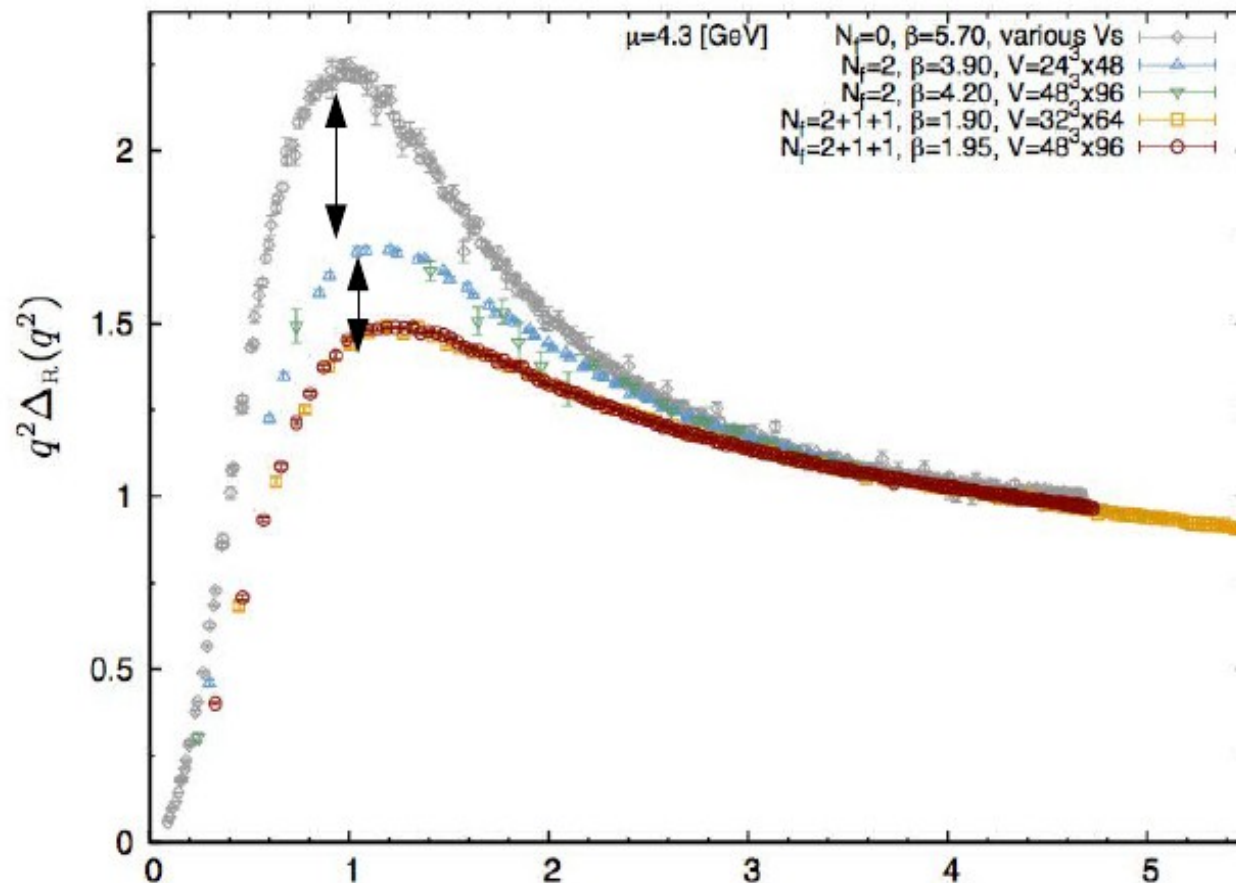
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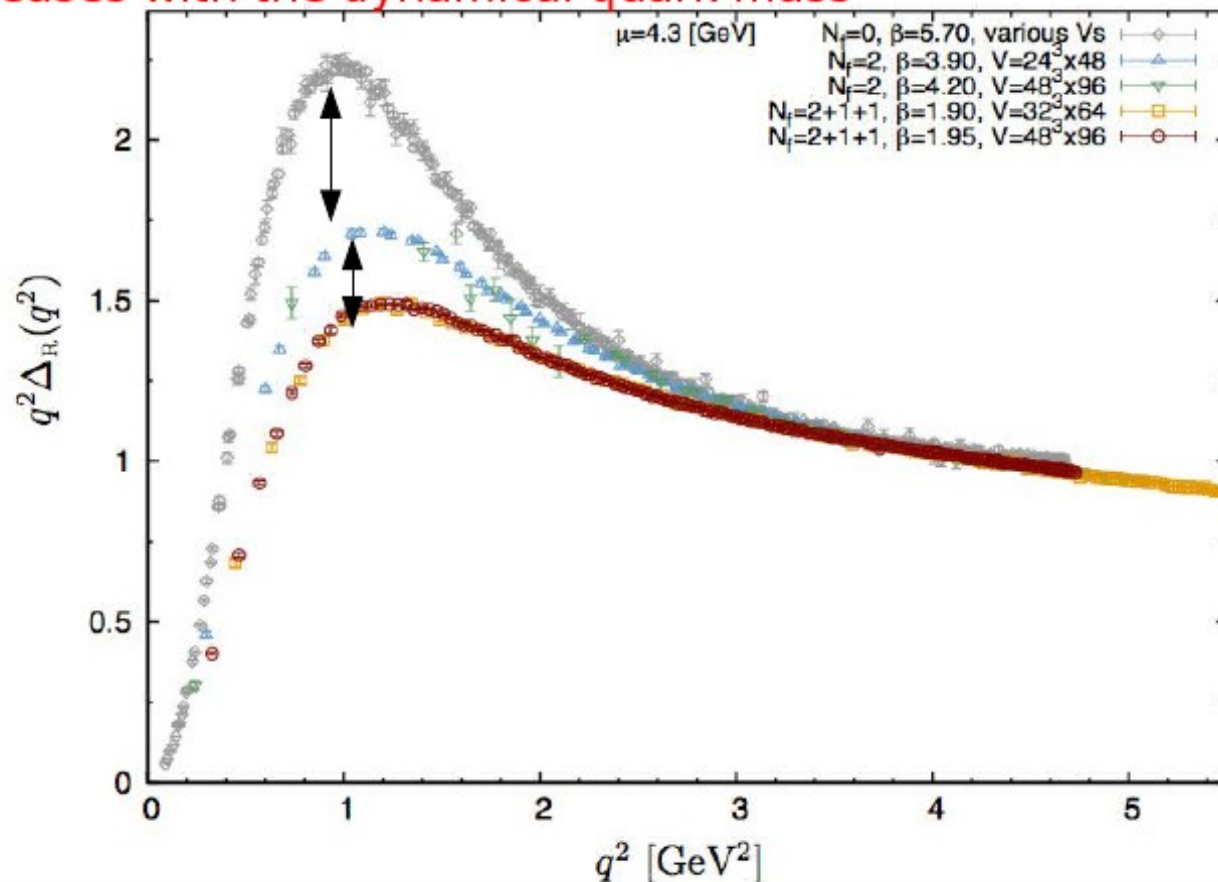
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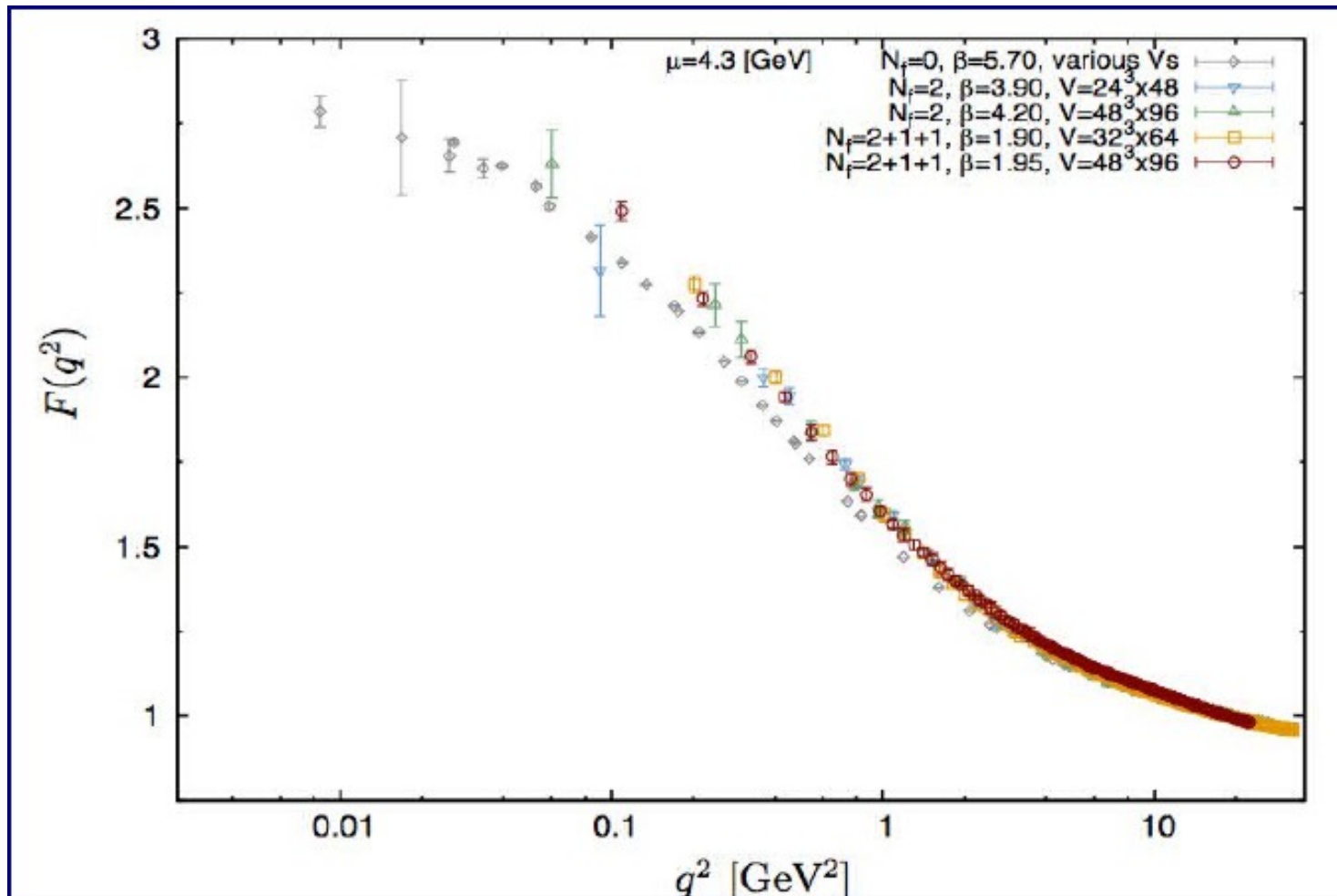
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$$\text{---}\blacktriangleright\text{---} \quad (F^{(2)})^{ab}(x-y) \equiv \langle (M^{-1})_{xy}^{ab} \rangle, \quad M(U) = -\frac{1}{N} \nabla \cdot \tilde{D}(U)$$

$$\tilde{D}(U)\eta(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left( U_\mu(x)\eta(x+\mu) - \eta(x)U_\mu(x) + \eta(x+\mu)U_\mu^\dagger - U_\mu^\dagger(x)\eta(x) \right)$$

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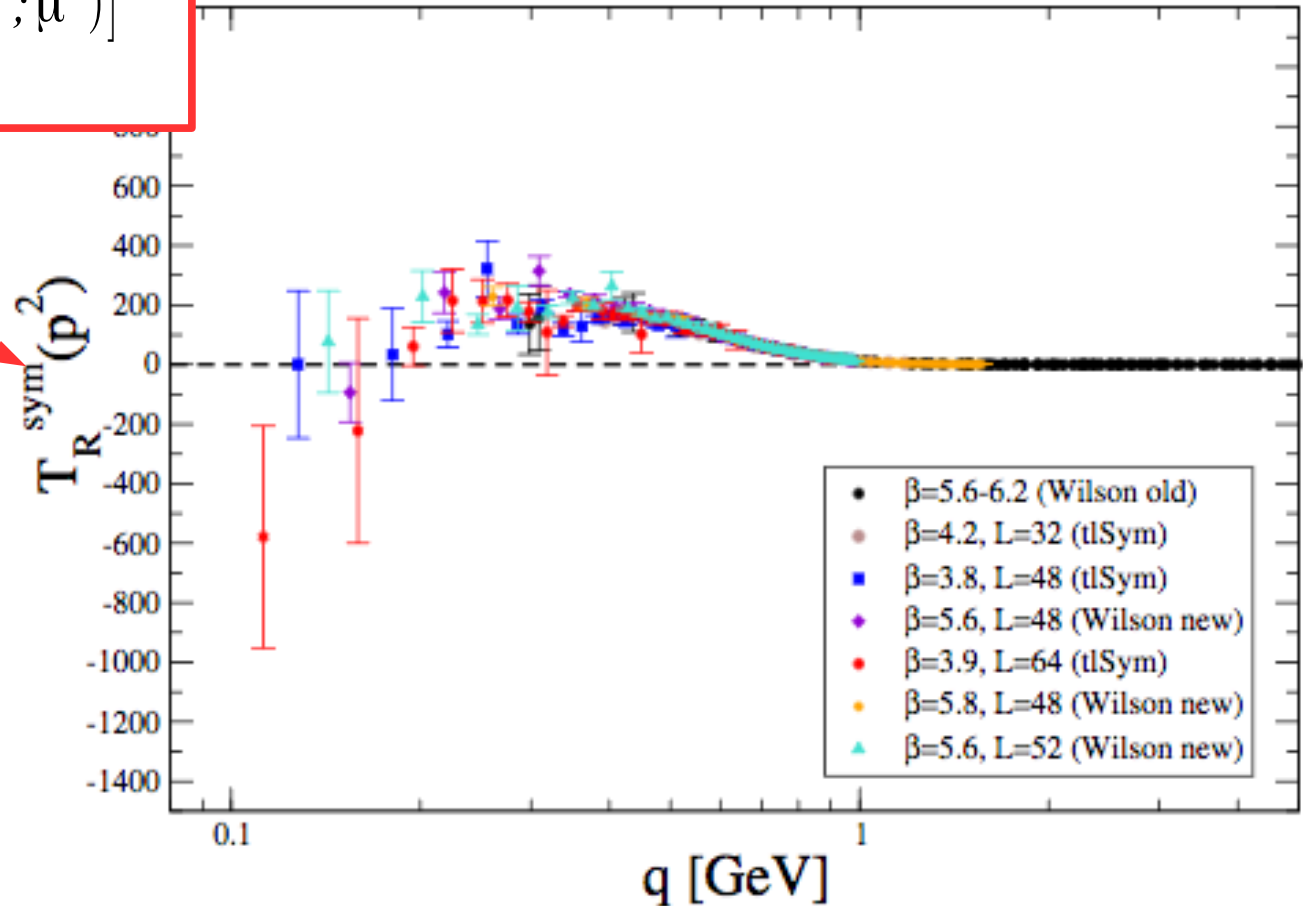
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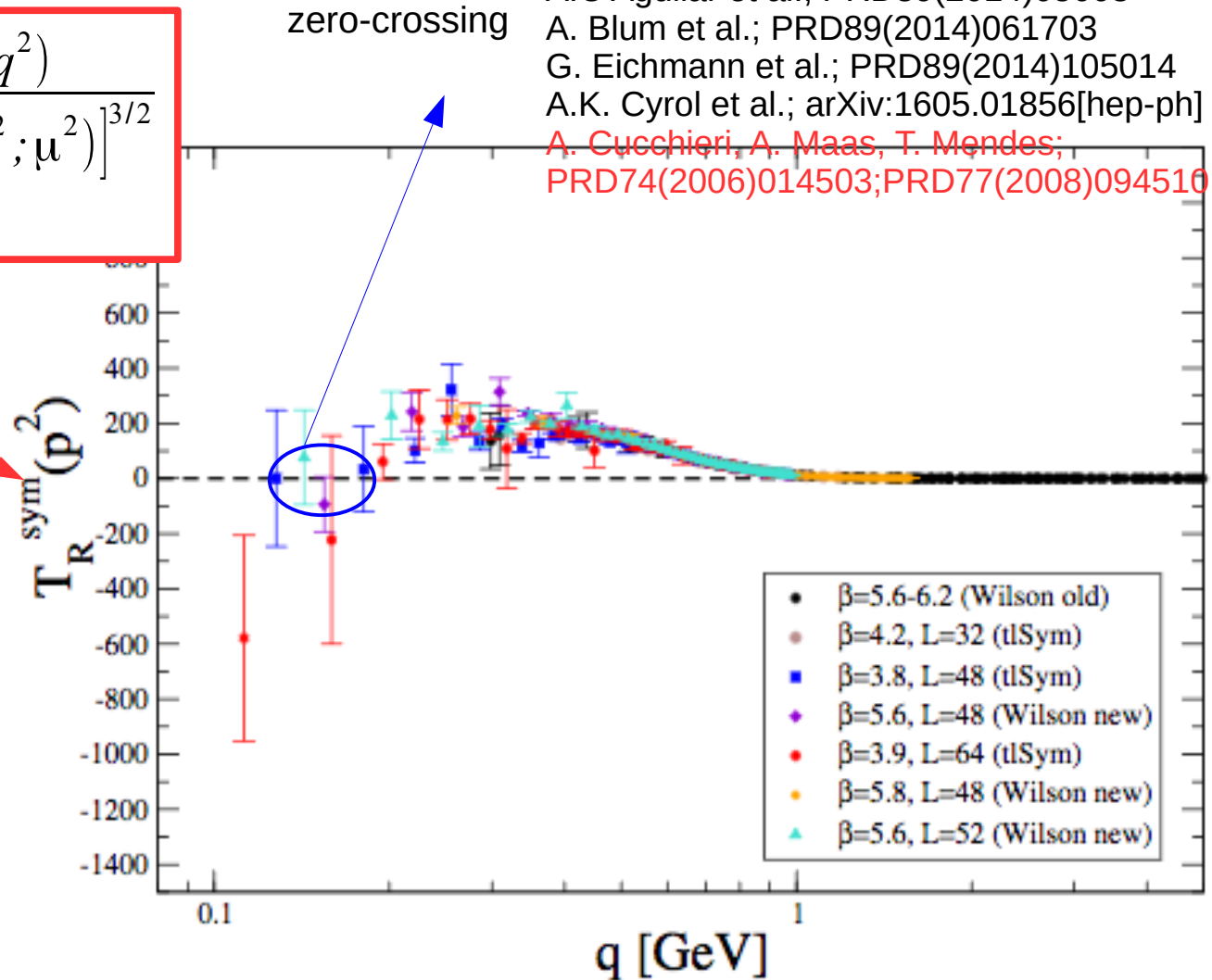
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$$g^{\text{asym}}(q^2) = q^3 \frac{T^{\text{asym}}(q^2)}{\Delta(0)[\Delta(q^2)]^{1/2}}$$



Let's then focus (again) on the symmetric case: the form factor appears to change its sign at very deep IR momenta and show then a zero-crossing. This appears to happen below  $\sim 0.2$  GeV.

# The zero-crossing of the three-gluon vertex

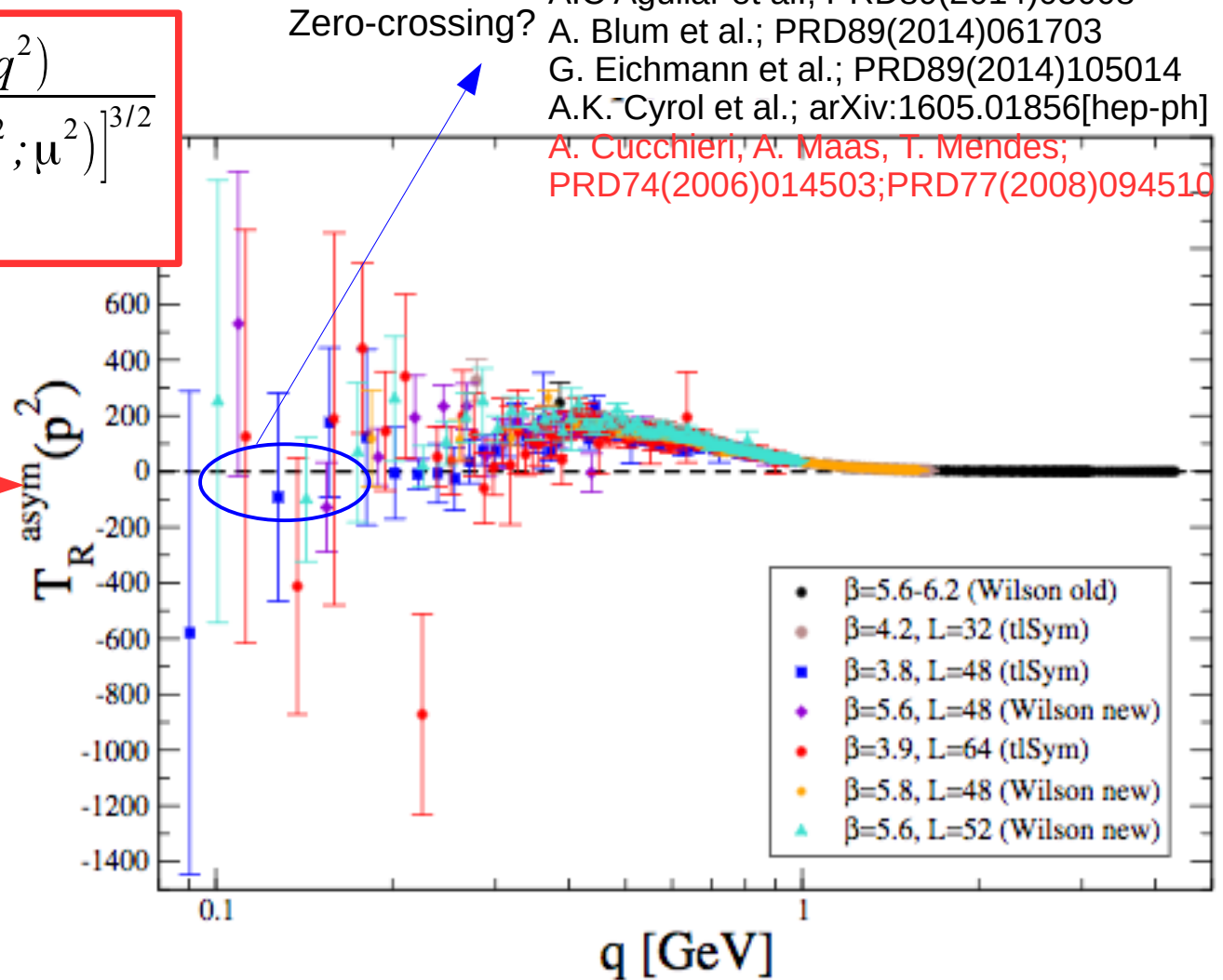
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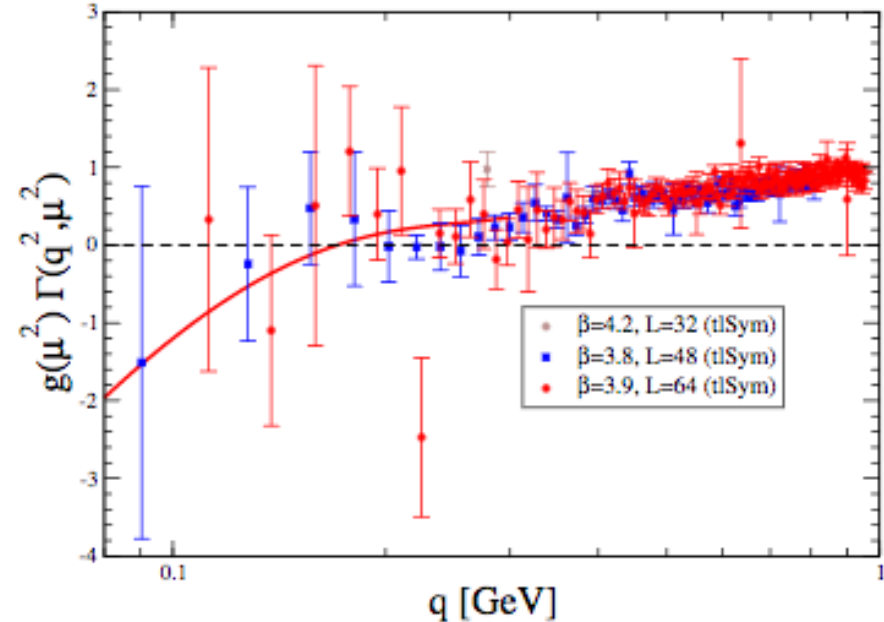
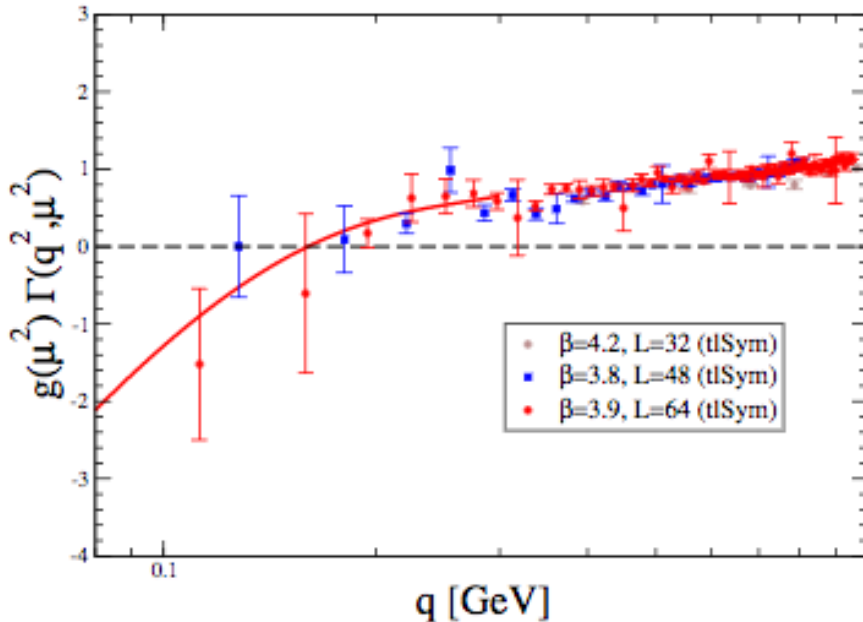
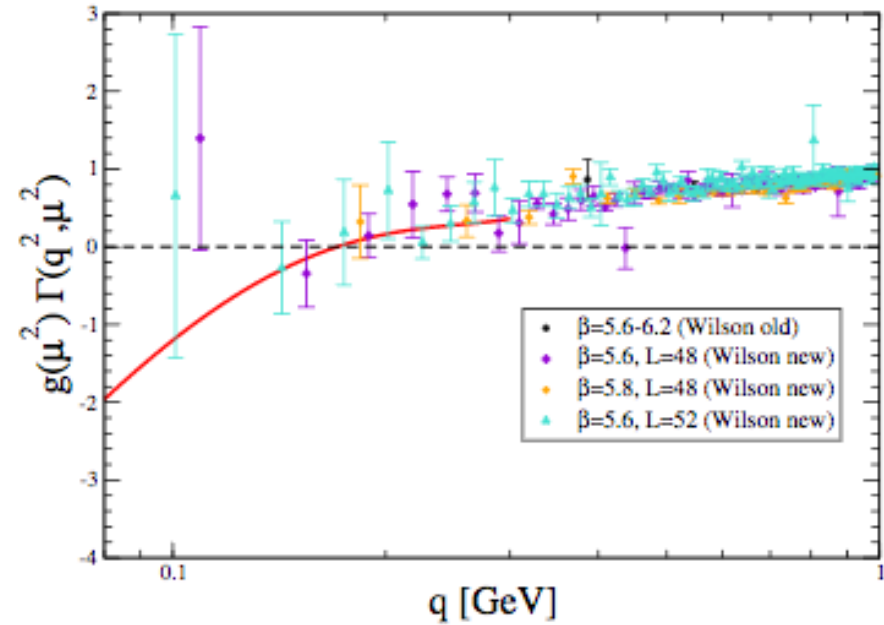
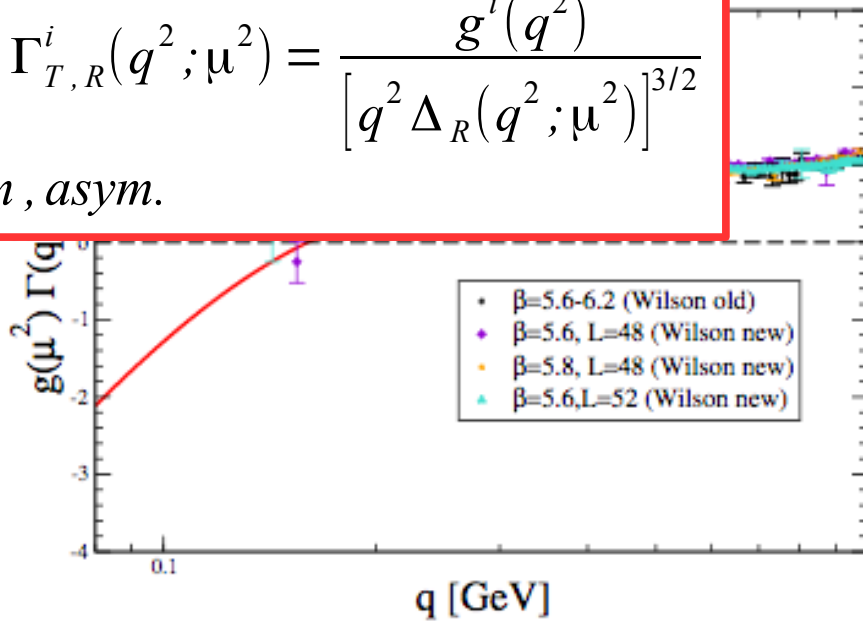


Let's consider now the asymmetric case: the results are much noisier (surely because of the zero-momentum gluon field in the correlation function), although there appear to be strong indications for the happening of the zero-crossing.

# The zero-crossing of the three-gluon vertex

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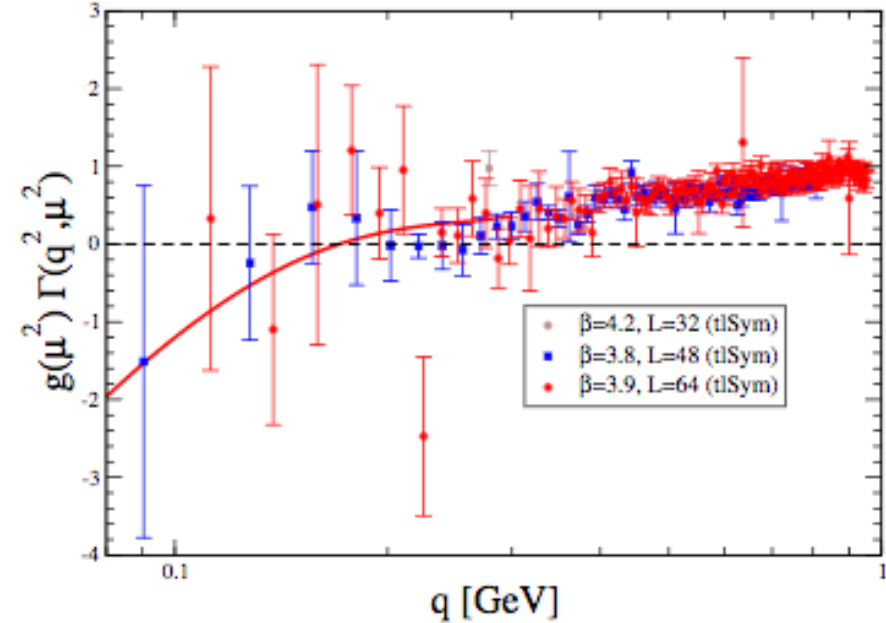
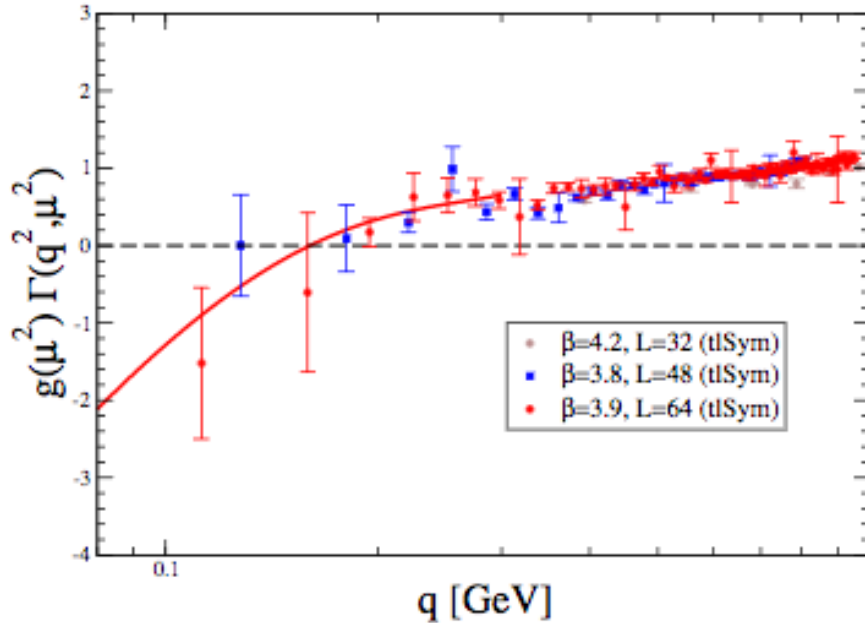
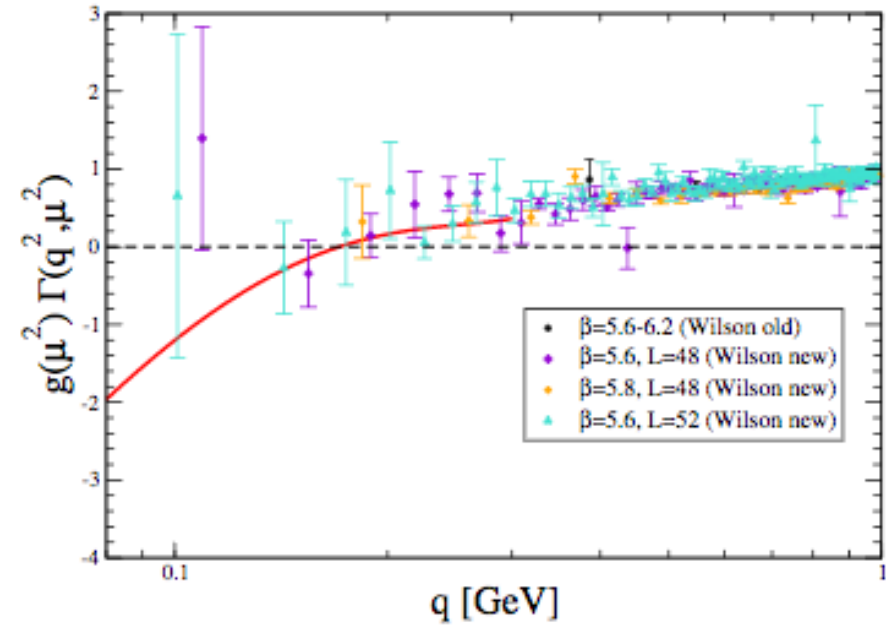
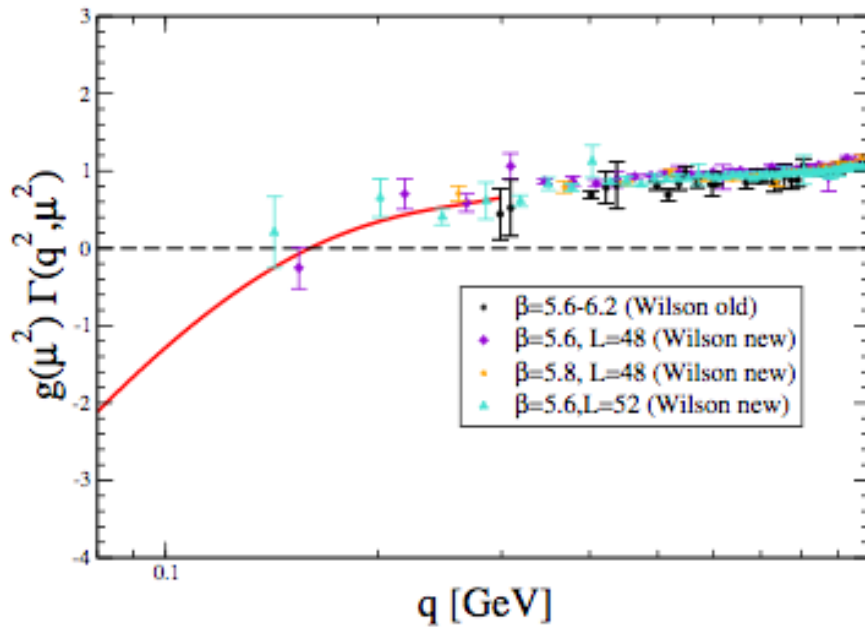
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After the  
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# The zero-crossing of the three-gluon vertex

$g^i(\mu^2)$   
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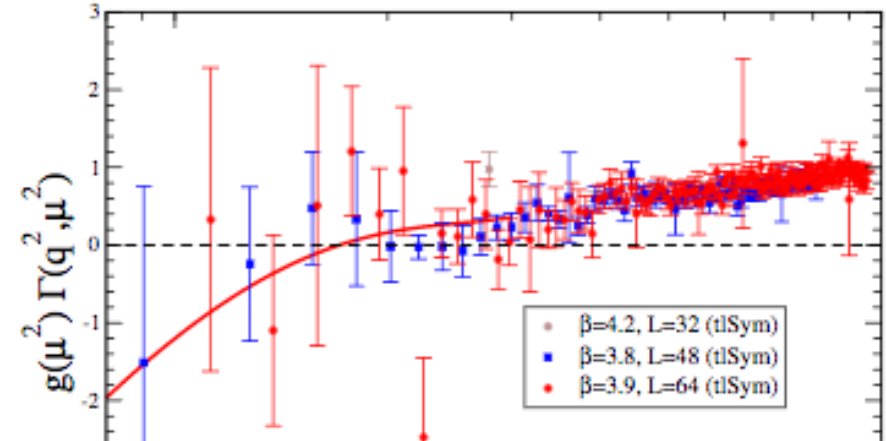
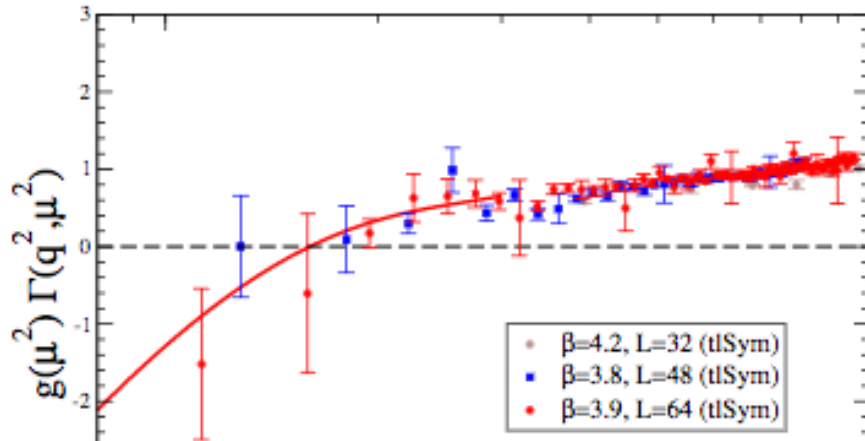
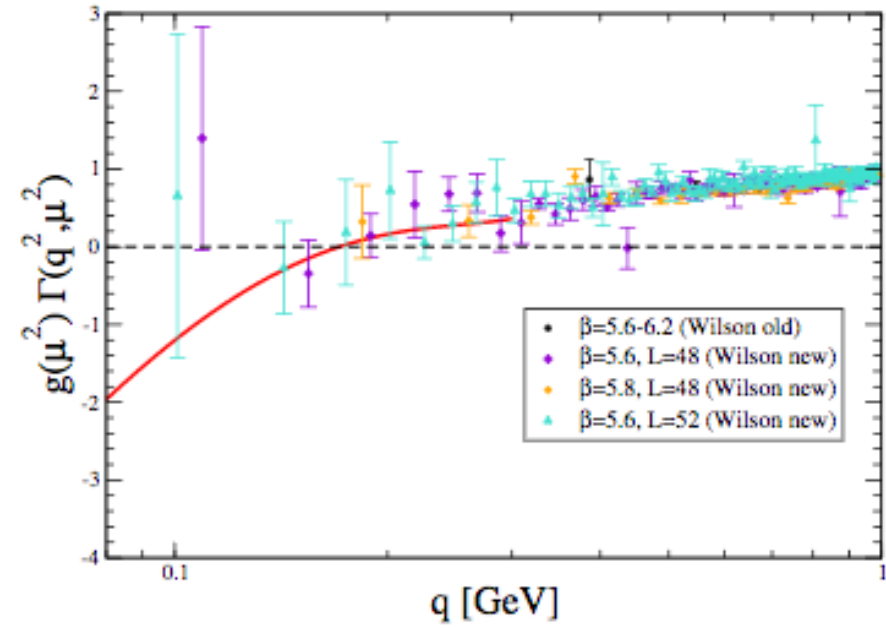
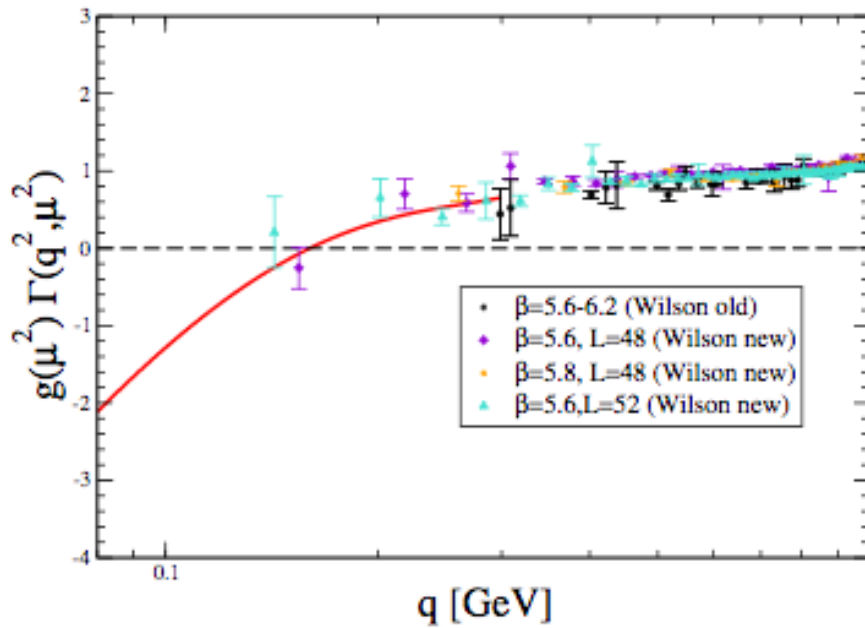


After the  
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# The zero-crossing of the three-gluon vertex

$$g^i(\mu^2)$$

$$i = \text{sym}$$



After leg amputation, the 1PI form factor for the tree-level tensor shows clearly the zero-crossing. The trend is the same for both Wilson and tlSym actions and symmetric and asymmetric configurations.

# The zero-crossing of the three-gluon vertex

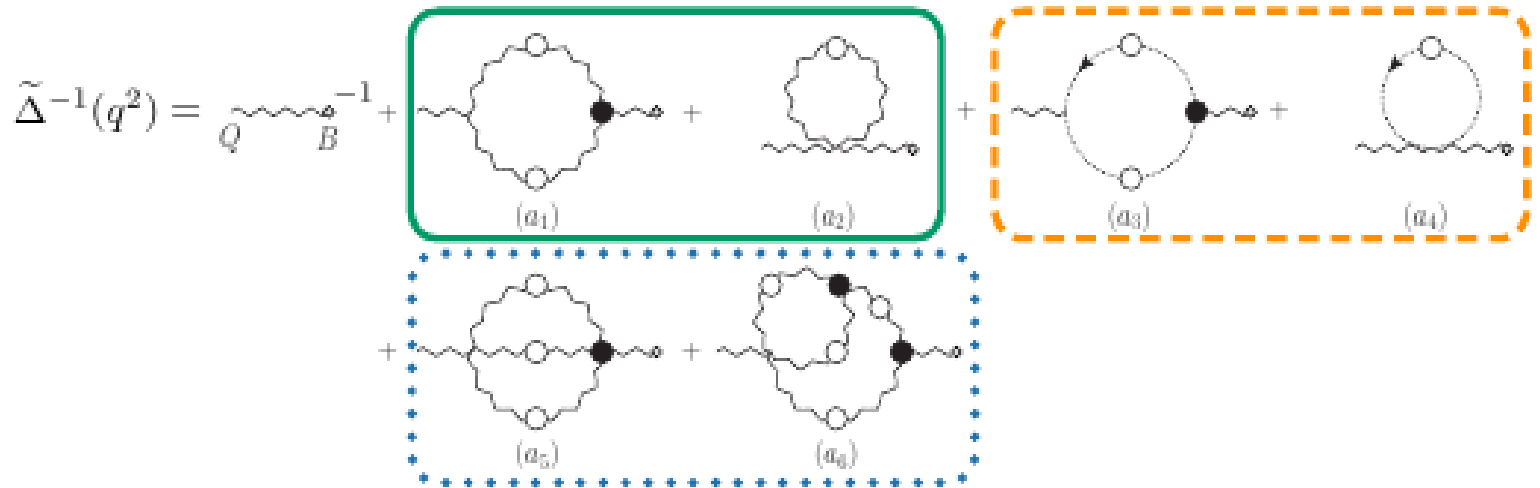
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DSE-based explanation:

In PT-BFM truncation

cf. D. Binosi's talk!!!

$$\Gamma_{T,R}^{i,(B)}(p^2; \mu^2) \underset{p^2/\mu^2 \ll 1}{\simeq} F_R(0; \mu^2) \frac{\partial}{\partial p^2} \Delta_R^{-1}(p^2; \mu^2) + \dots$$



$$[1 + G(q^2)]^2 \Delta^{-1}(q^2) = \hat{\Delta}^{-1}(q^2).$$

$$\Lambda_{\mu\nu}(q) = \text{[Diagram 1]} + \text{[Diagram 2]}$$

$$= G(q^2)g_{\mu\nu} + L(q^2) \frac{q_\mu q_\nu}{q^2}$$

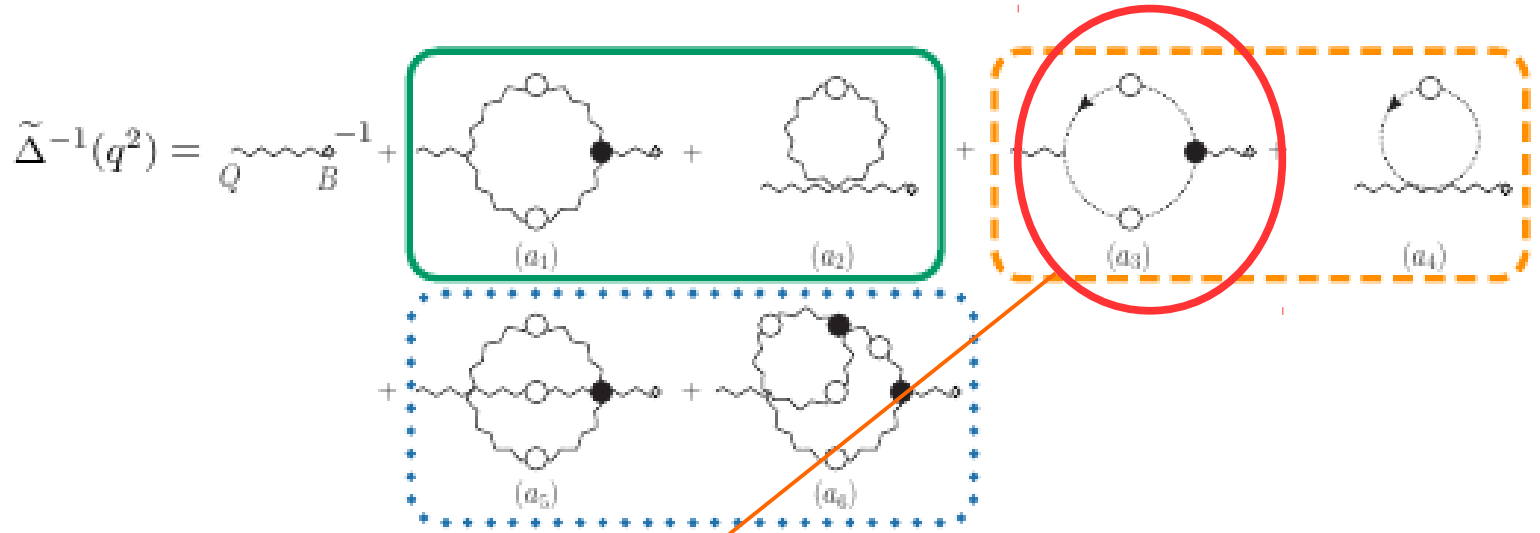


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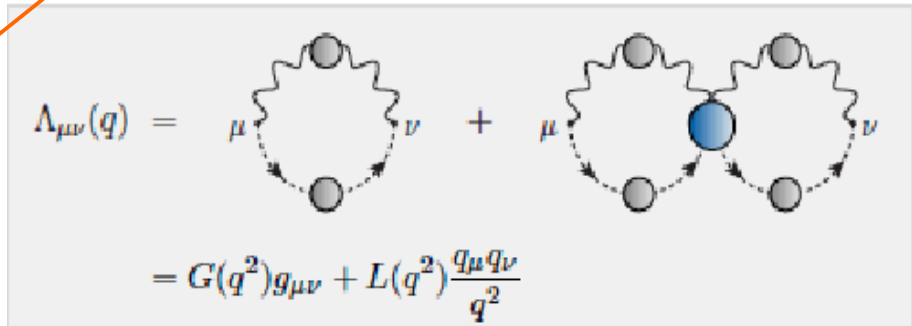
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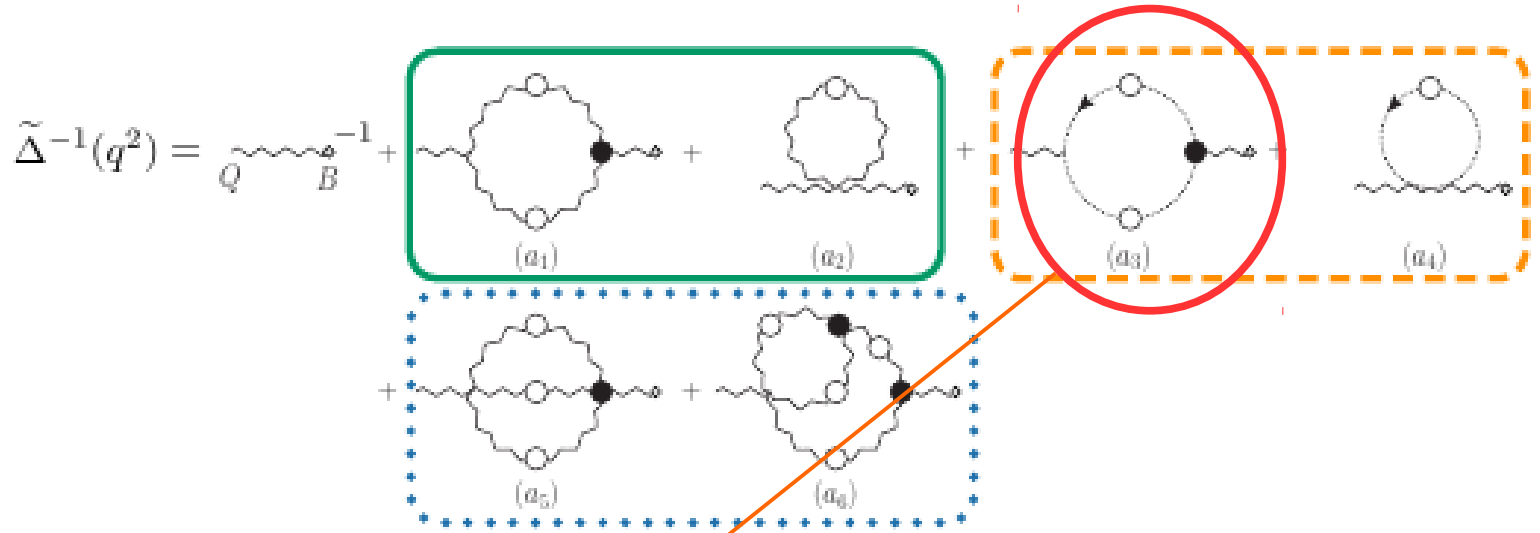
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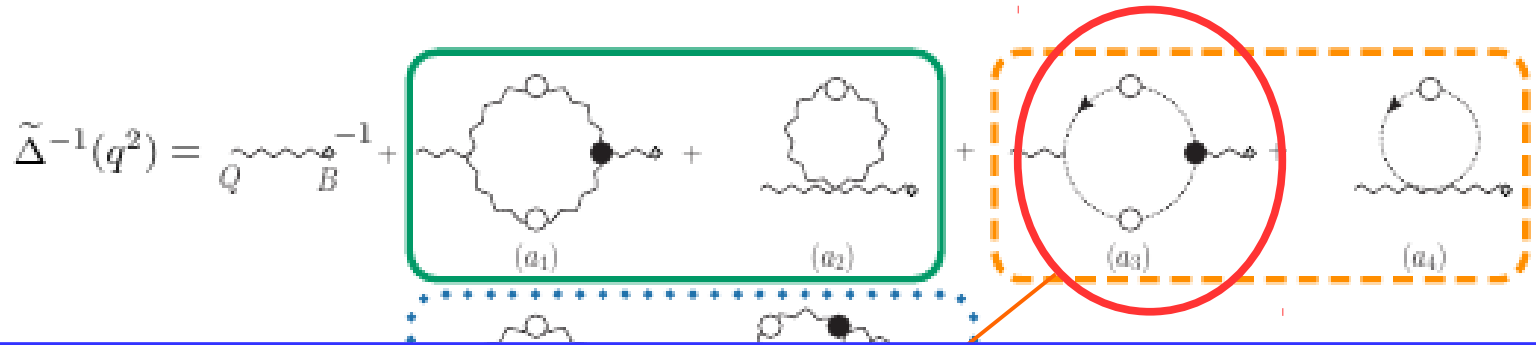
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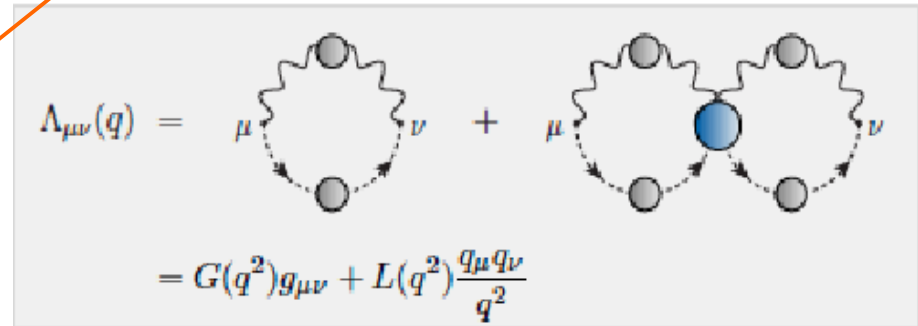
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D. Binosi's talk!!!



A logarithmic divergent contribution at vanishing momentum, pulling down the 1PI form factor and generating a zero crossing, can be understood within a DSE framework.

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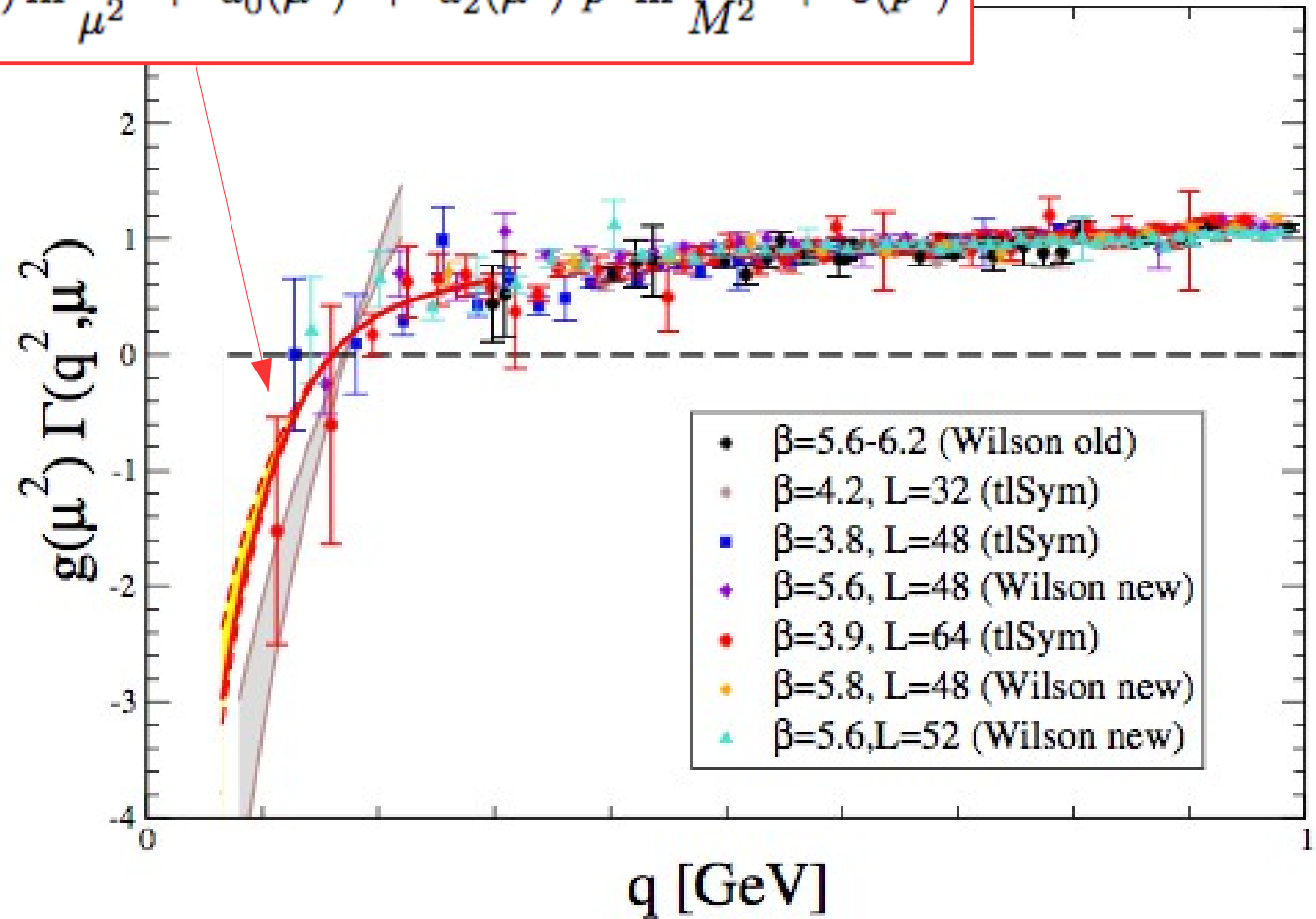
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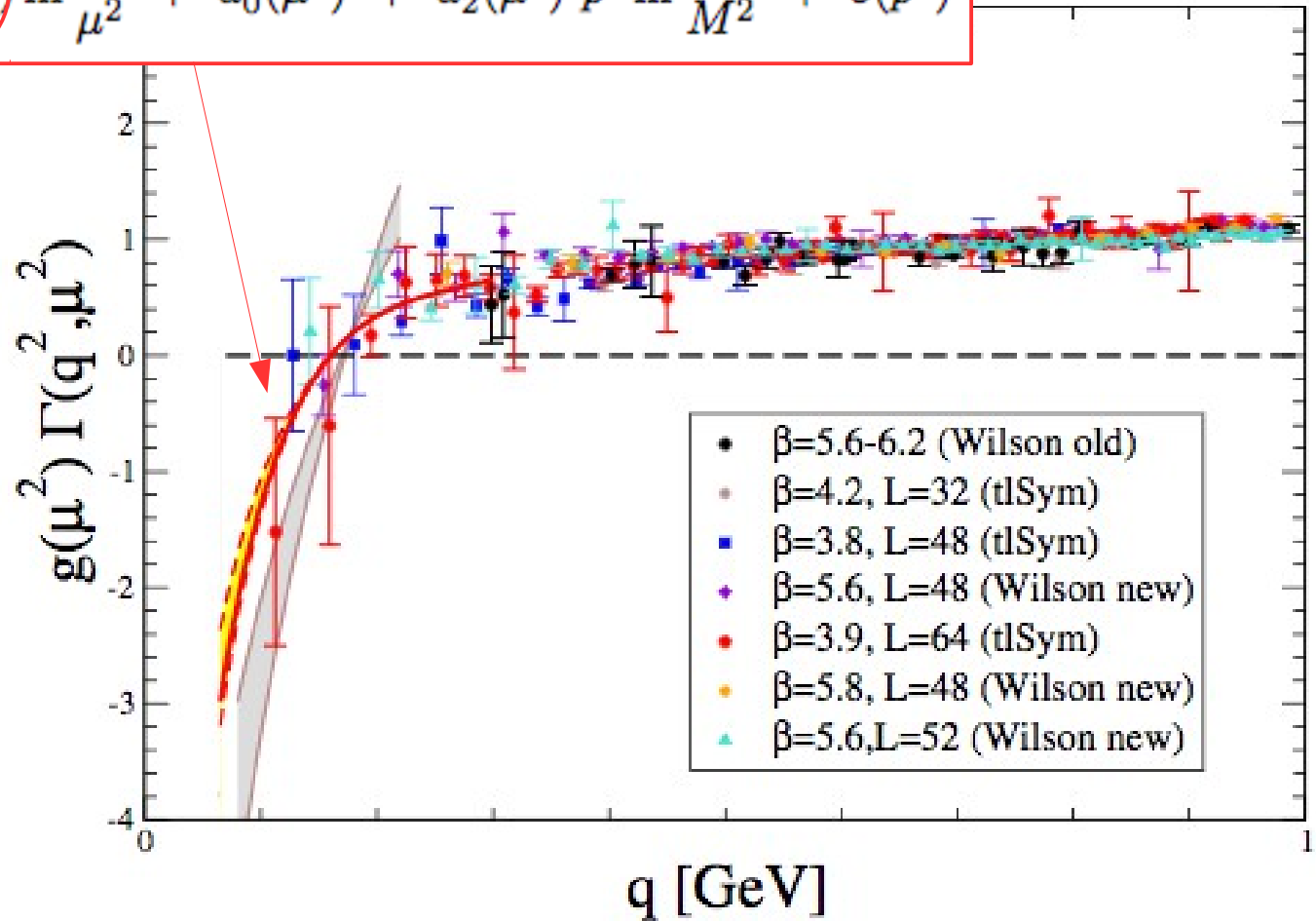
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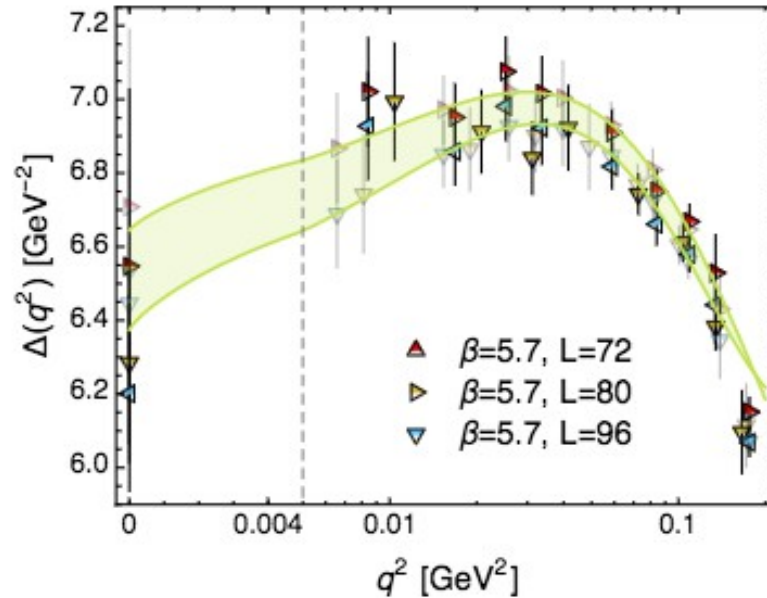
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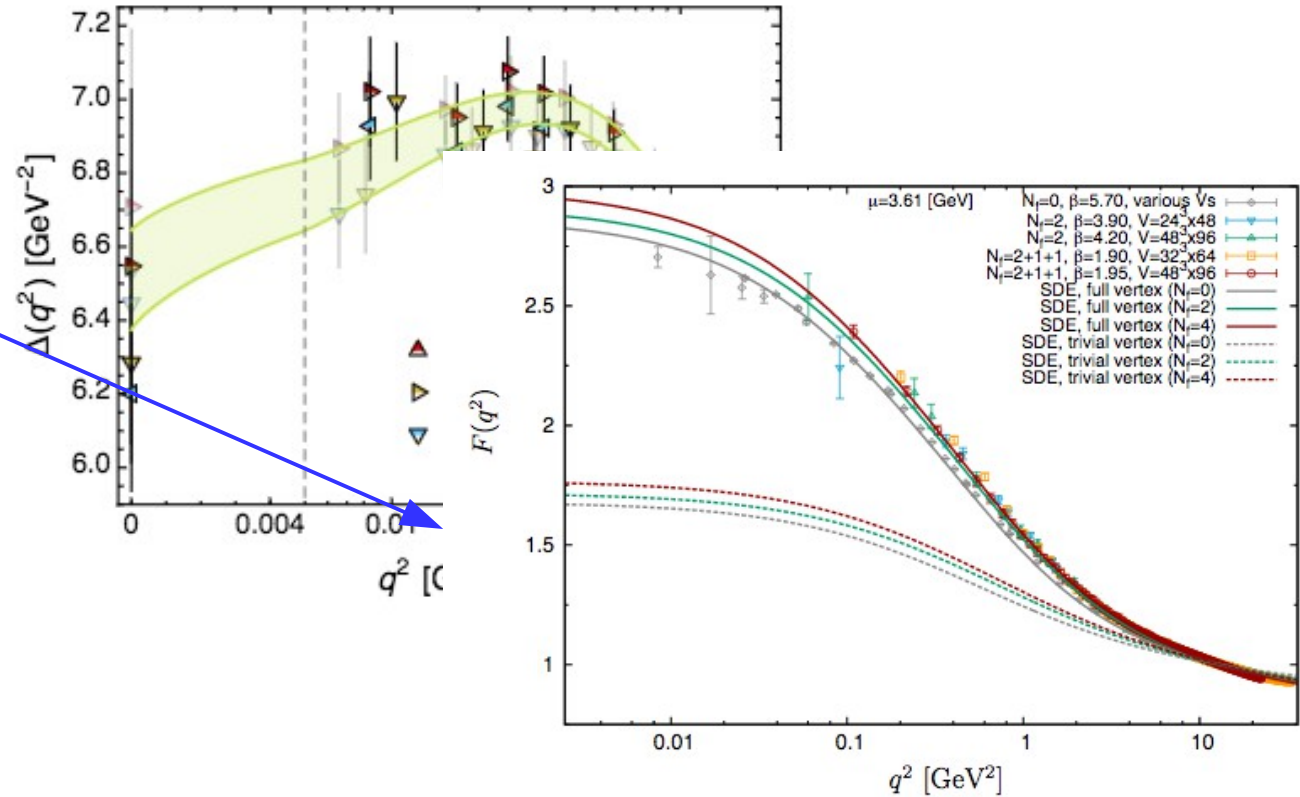
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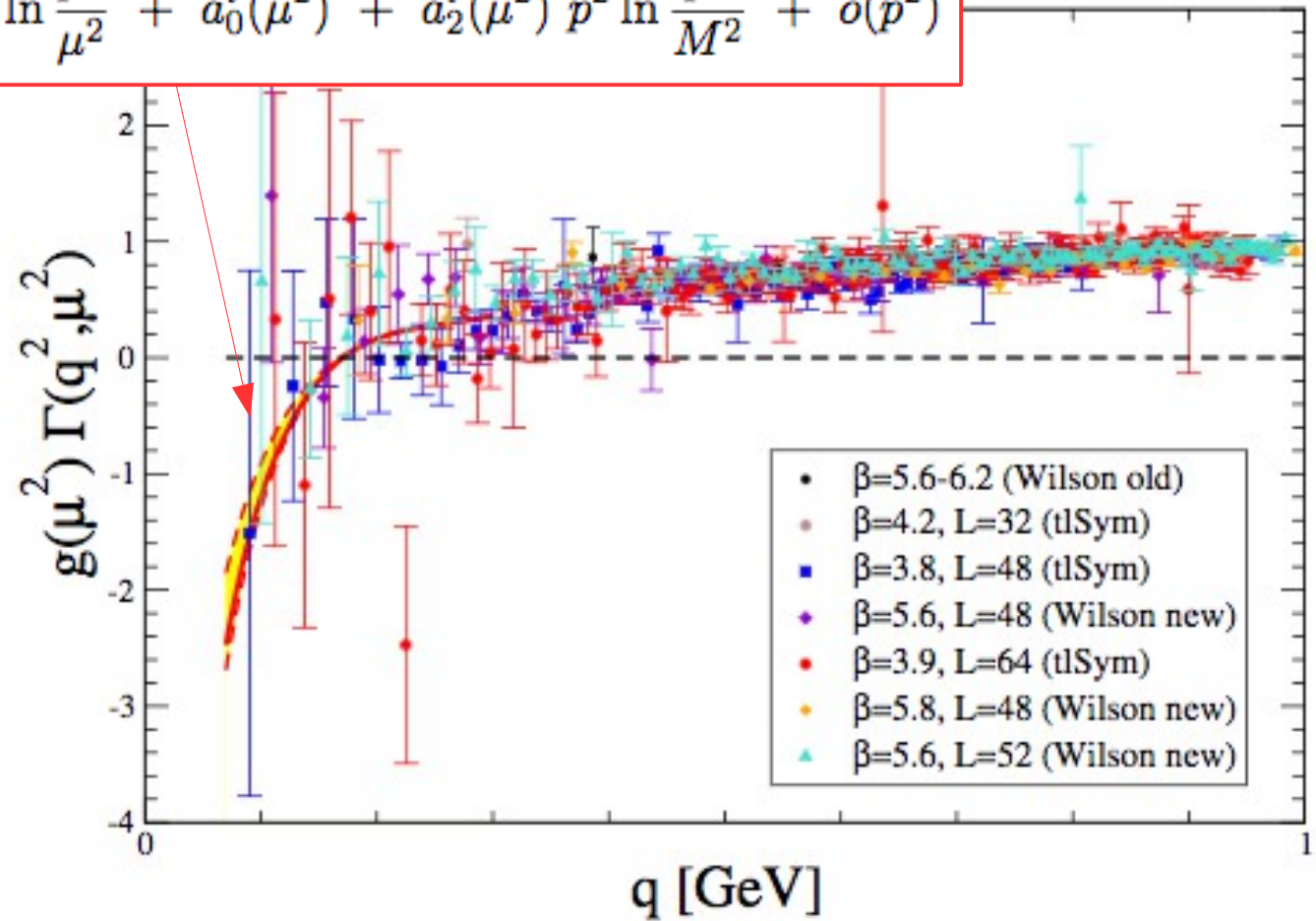
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The low-momenta asymptotic 1PI form factor obtained from DSE within the PT-BFM is fully consistent with lattice data for both symmetric and asymmetric kinematic configurations.



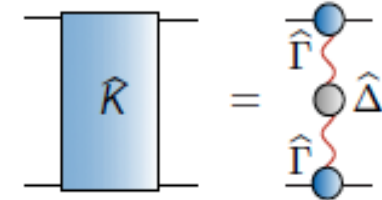
# Quark's gap equation: RGI interaction



cf. (again) D. Binosi's talk!!!

Convert vertices/propagators into PT-BFM ones  
new RG invariant combination appears

$$\hat{d}(k^2) = \alpha(\mu^2) \hat{\Delta}(k^2; \mu^2)$$



Use symmetry identity  
to identify the interaction strength

A.C Aguilar, D. Binosi, J. Papavassiliou, J. R-Q, PRD90(2009)  
D. Binosi, L. Chang, J. Papavassiliou, C.D. Roberts, PLb742(2015)

$$\mathcal{I}(k^2) = k^2 \hat{d}(k^2) \longrightarrow \left[ \frac{1}{1 - L(q^2)F(q^2)} \right]^2 \alpha_T(q^2) .$$

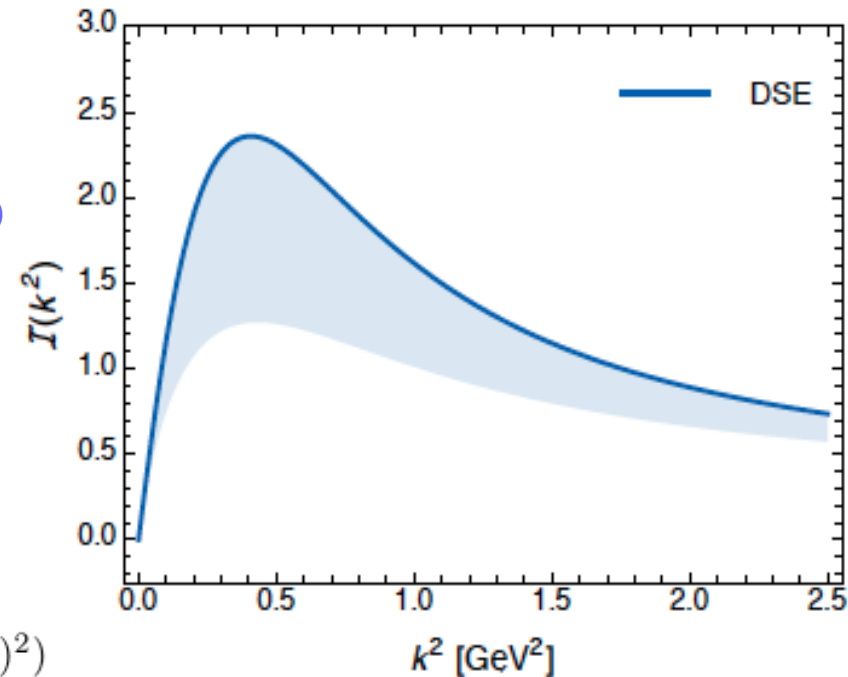
$$\hat{d}(k^2) = \frac{\alpha(\mu^2) \Delta(k^2; \mu^2)}{[1 + G(k^2; \mu^2)]^2}$$

1+G and L determined by their own SDEs  
under simplifying assumptions:

$$1 + G(p^2) = Z_c - g^2 \int_k \left[ 2 + \frac{(k \cdot p)^2}{k^2 p^2} \right] B_1(k) \Delta(k) \frac{F((k+p)^2)}{(k+p)^2},$$

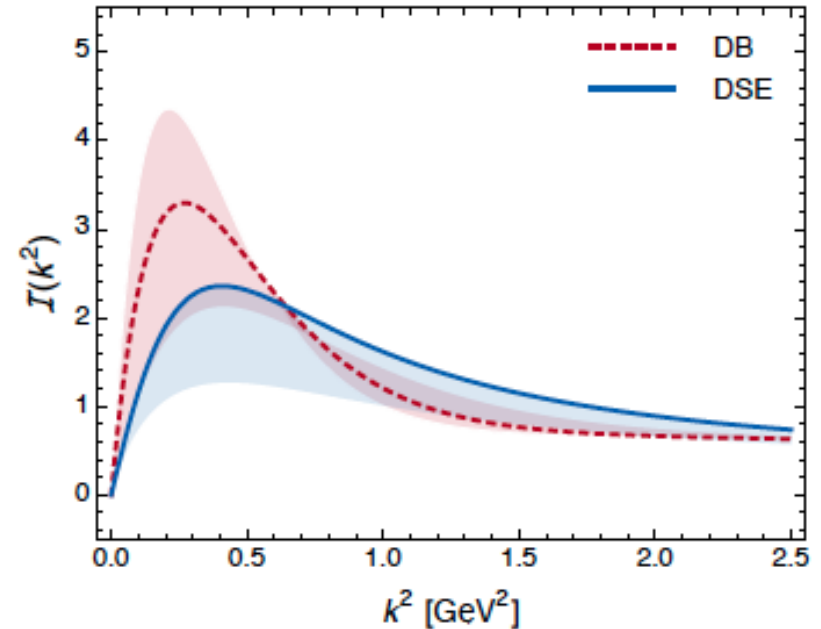
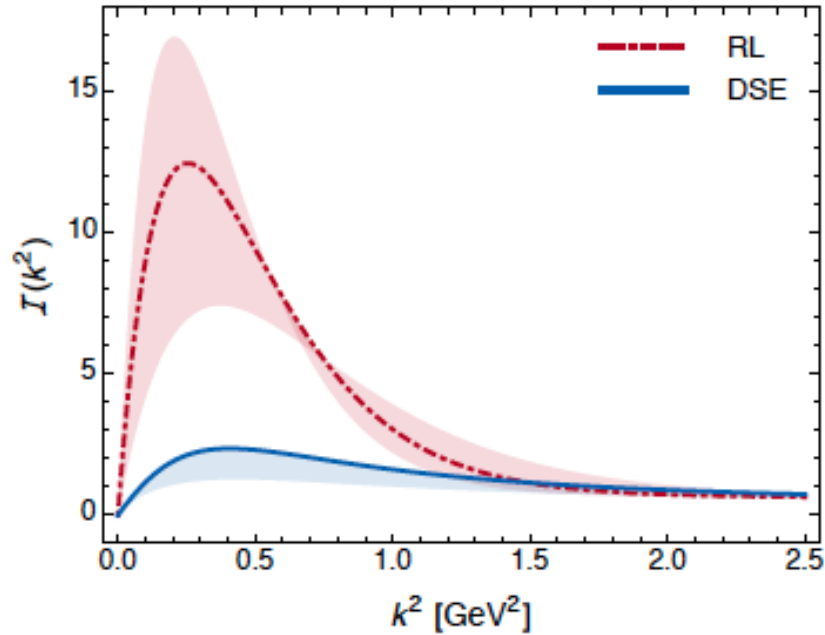
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$$F^{-1}(q^2) = Z_c - 3 g^2 \int_k \left[ 1 - \frac{(k \cdot p)^2}{k^2 p^2} \right] B_1(k) \Delta(k) \frac{F((k+p)^2)}{(k+p)^2}$$



- **Main source of uncertainties:**  
needs assumptions on ghost vertex behavior
- **Parametrized by  $\delta \in [0, 1]$**   
lower bound ( $\delta=0$ ):  $1/F=1+G$

# Top-down vs. Bottom-up approaches



# RGI interaction kernel

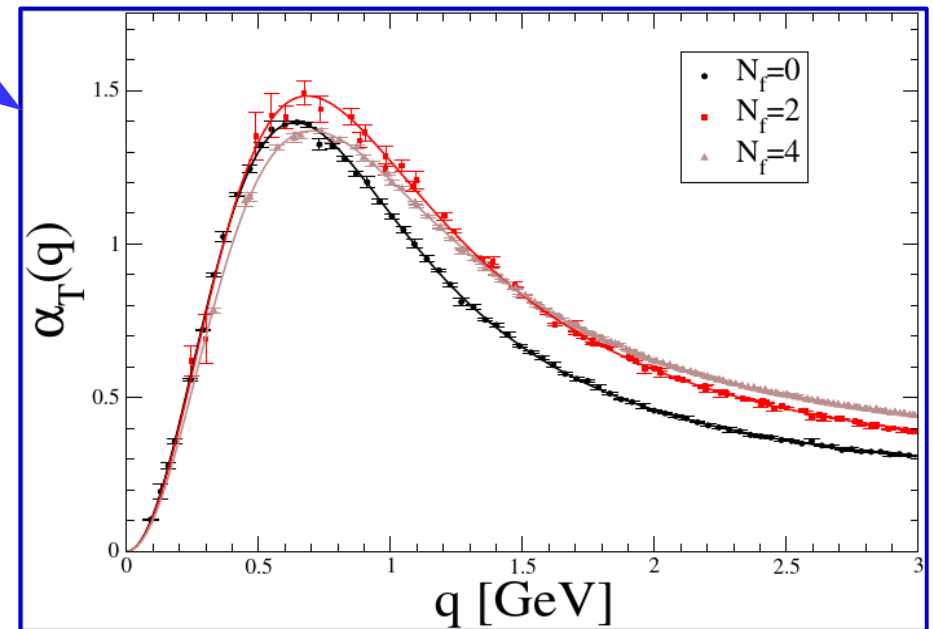
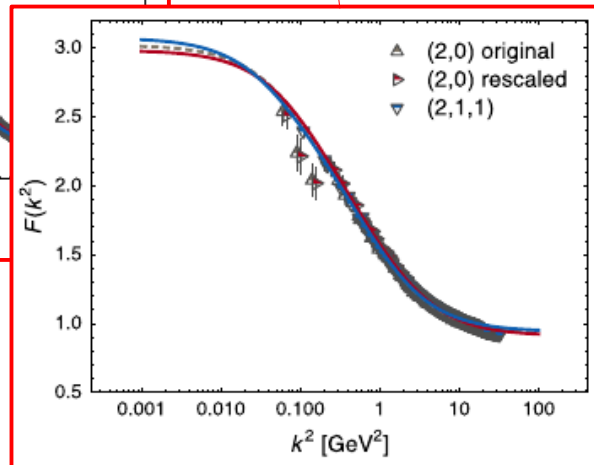
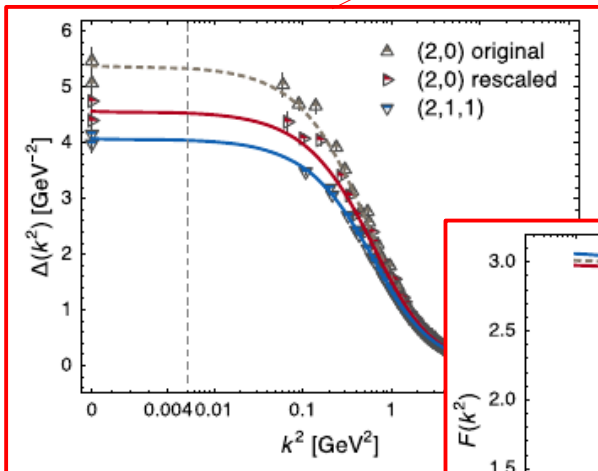


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D. Binosi, J. R-Q, C.D. Roberts, PRD95(2017)114009

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$\alpha_T(k^2) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} g^2(a) k^2 \Delta(k^2; a) F^2(k^2; a)$  A running strong coupling in a particular scheme (Taylor), well-known in perturbation and easy-to-handle in Lattice QCD



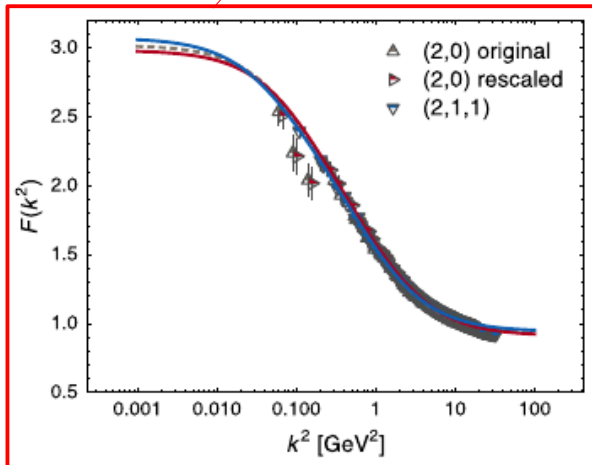
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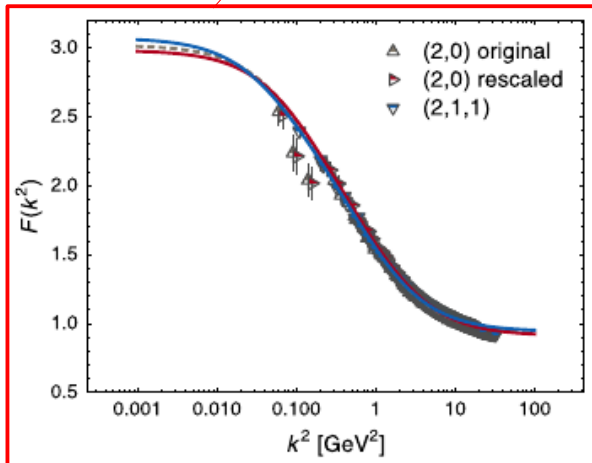


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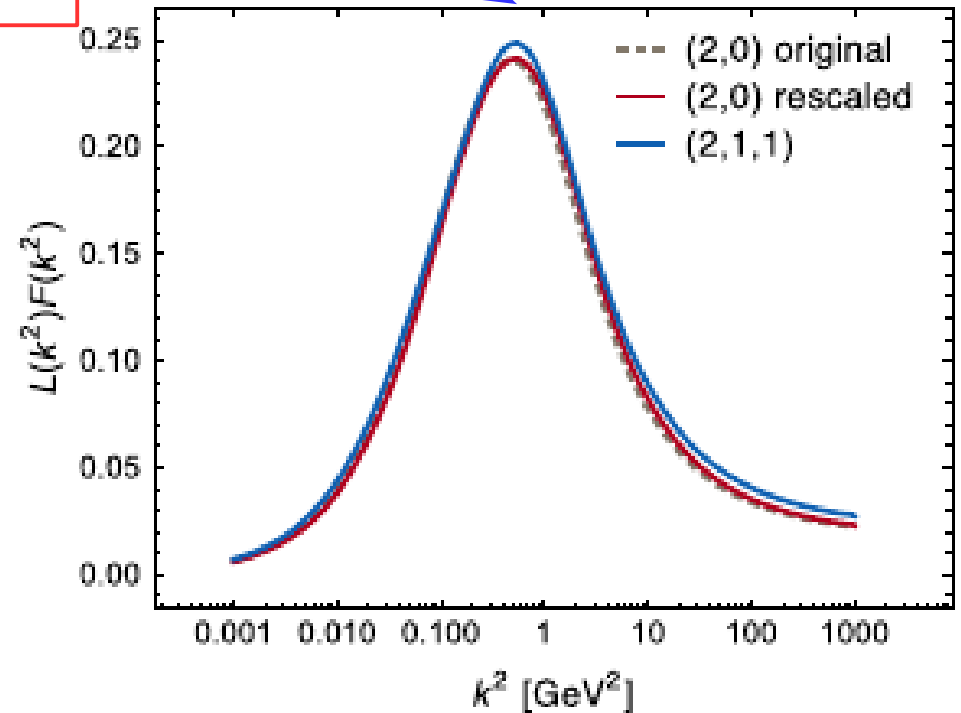
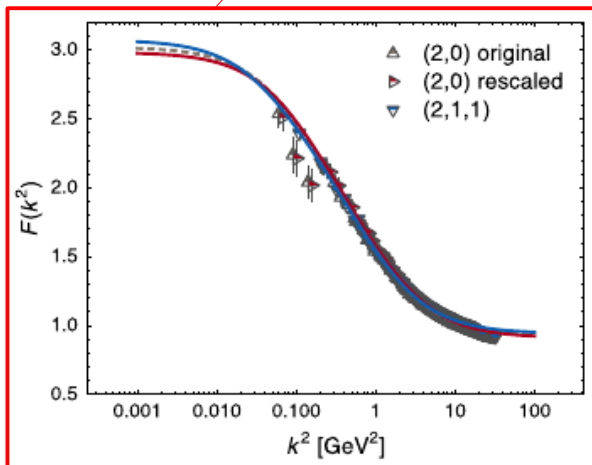


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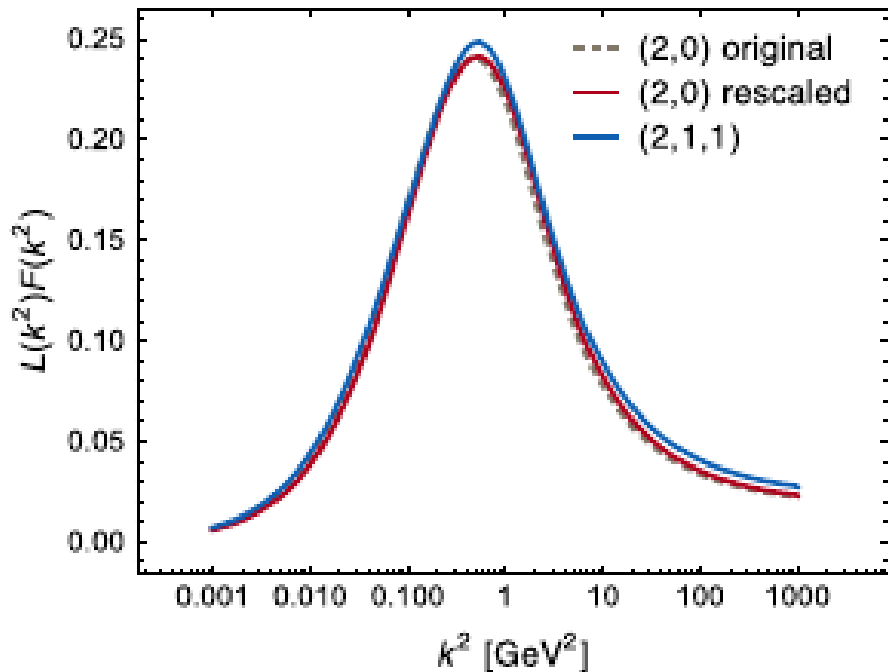
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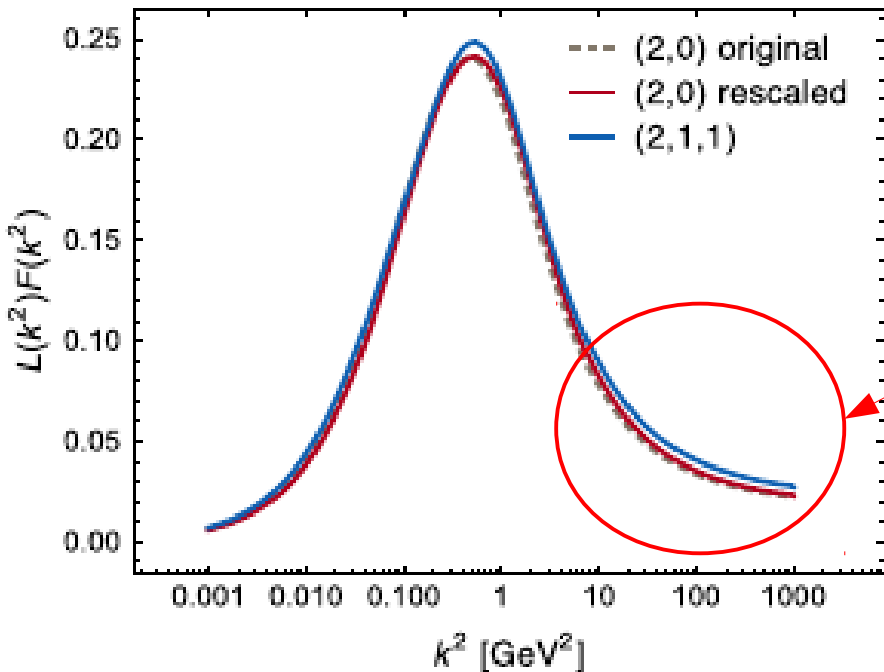
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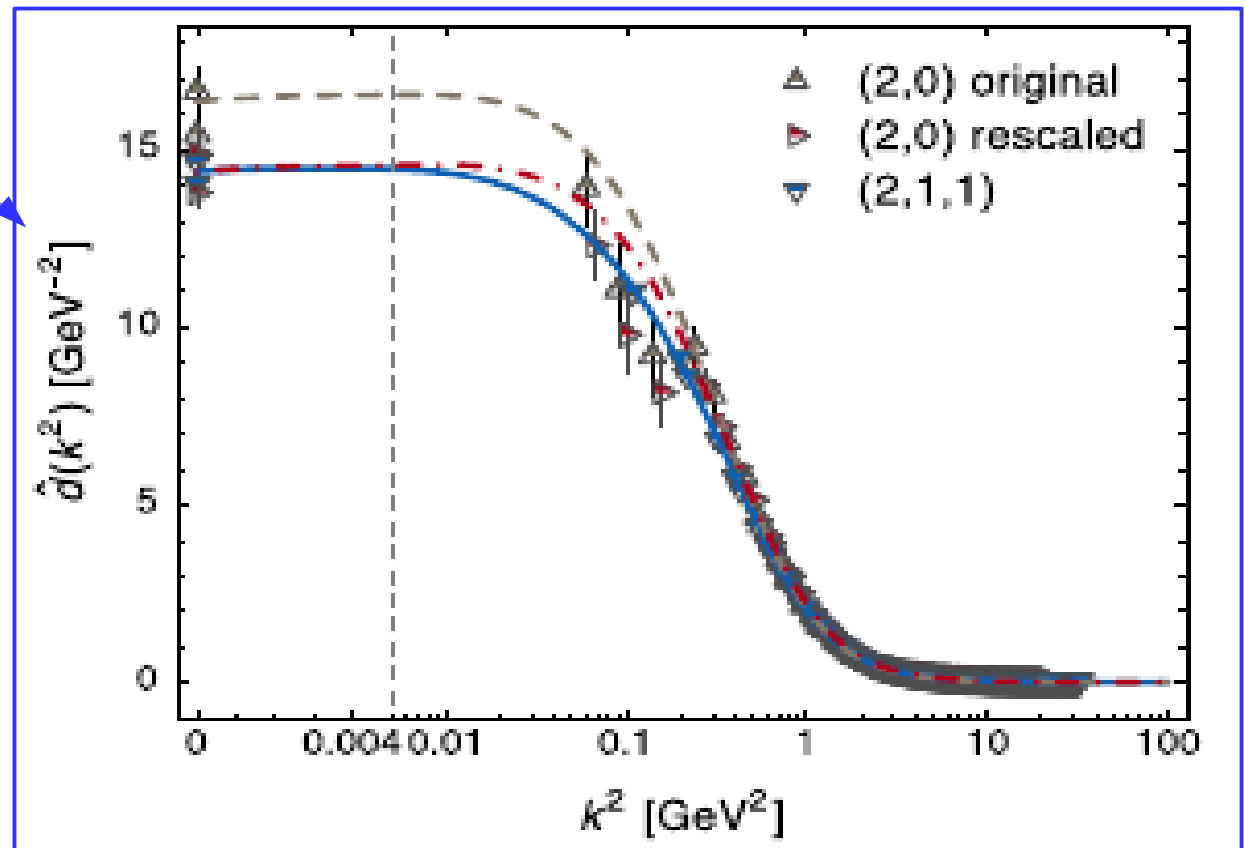
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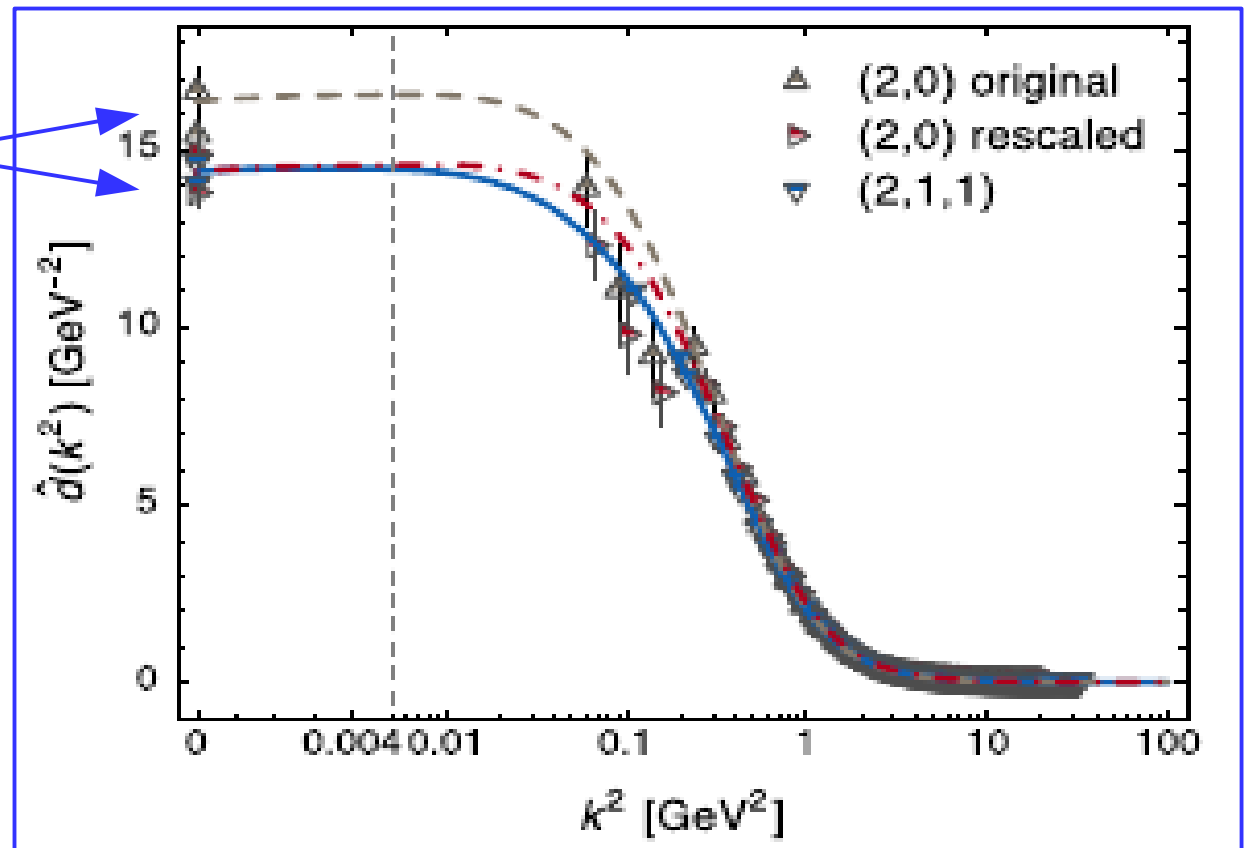


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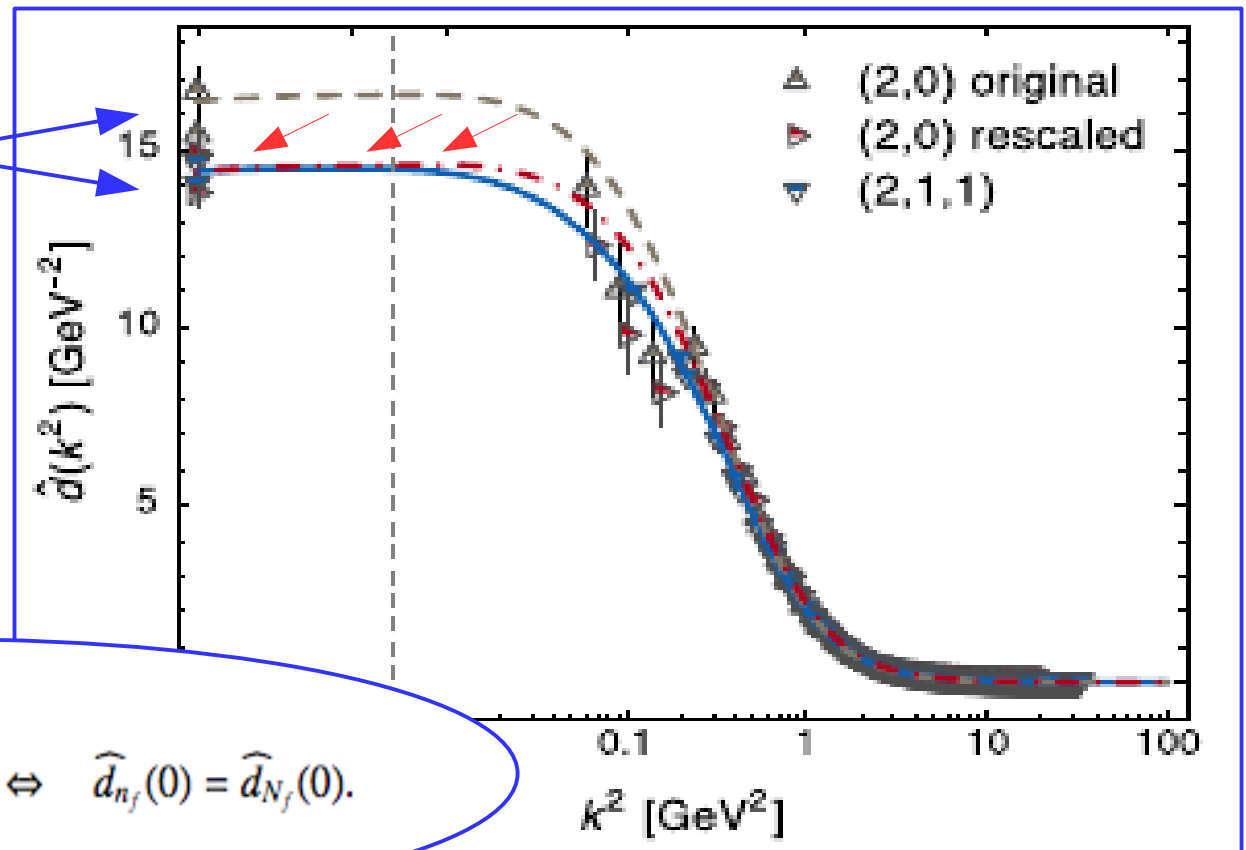
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thresholds are far above ...

...As happens for

$$\begin{aligned} N_f &= n_f + \delta \\ n_f &= 2 \\ \delta &= 1(s) + 1(c) \end{aligned}$$



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Ir mass scale of about one half of the proton mass (cf. C. Roberts' talk!!!)

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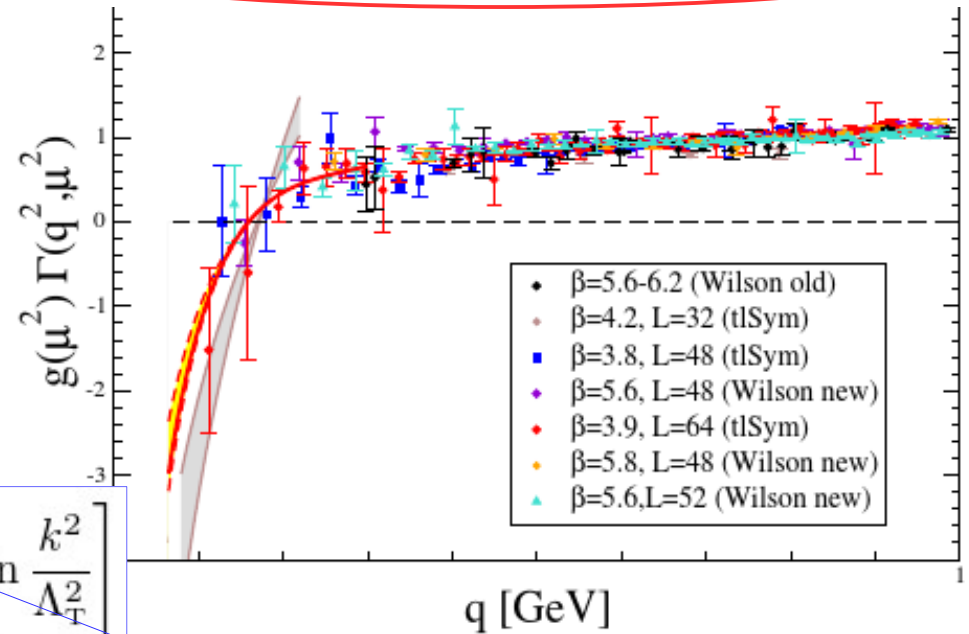
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$$\Delta^{-1}(k^2; \zeta^2) \underset{k^2 \ll \zeta^2}{\approx} k^2 \left[ a_\Delta + l_g \ln \frac{k^2 + m_g^2}{\zeta^2} + l_w \ln \frac{k^2}{\zeta^2} \right] + m_g^2,$$

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A.C. Aguilar et al., PRD89(2014)05008  
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# QCD effective charge



cf. C. Roberts' talk!!!

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Remarkable QCD feature: saturation of the RG key ingredient  $\hat{d}(0)$

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D. Binosi, L. Chang, J. Papavassiliou, C.D. Roberts, PLB 742 (2015)

Define then the RGI invariant function

$$\mathcal{D}(k^2) = \frac{\Delta(k^2; \mu^2)}{\Delta(0; \mu^2)m_0^2} = \frac{\Delta(k^2, \xi_0^2)}{z(\xi_0^2)} = \begin{cases} 1/m_0^2 & k^2 \ll m_0^2 \\ 1/k^2 & k^2 \gg m_0^2 \end{cases}$$

Extract the (process-independent) coupling

Using the quark gap equation

$$\Sigma(p) = Z_2 \int_{dq}^{\Lambda} 4\pi \hat{\alpha}_{\text{PI}}(k^2) \mathcal{D}_{\mu\nu}(k^2) \gamma_\mu S(q) \hat{\Gamma}_\nu^a(q, p)$$

$$\hat{\alpha}(k^2) = \frac{\hat{d}(k^2)}{\mathcal{D}(k^2)} \xrightarrow{k^2 \gg m_0^2} I(k^2)$$

D. Binosi, C. Mezrag, J. Papavassiliou, J.R-Q, C.D. Roberts, arXiv:1612.04835



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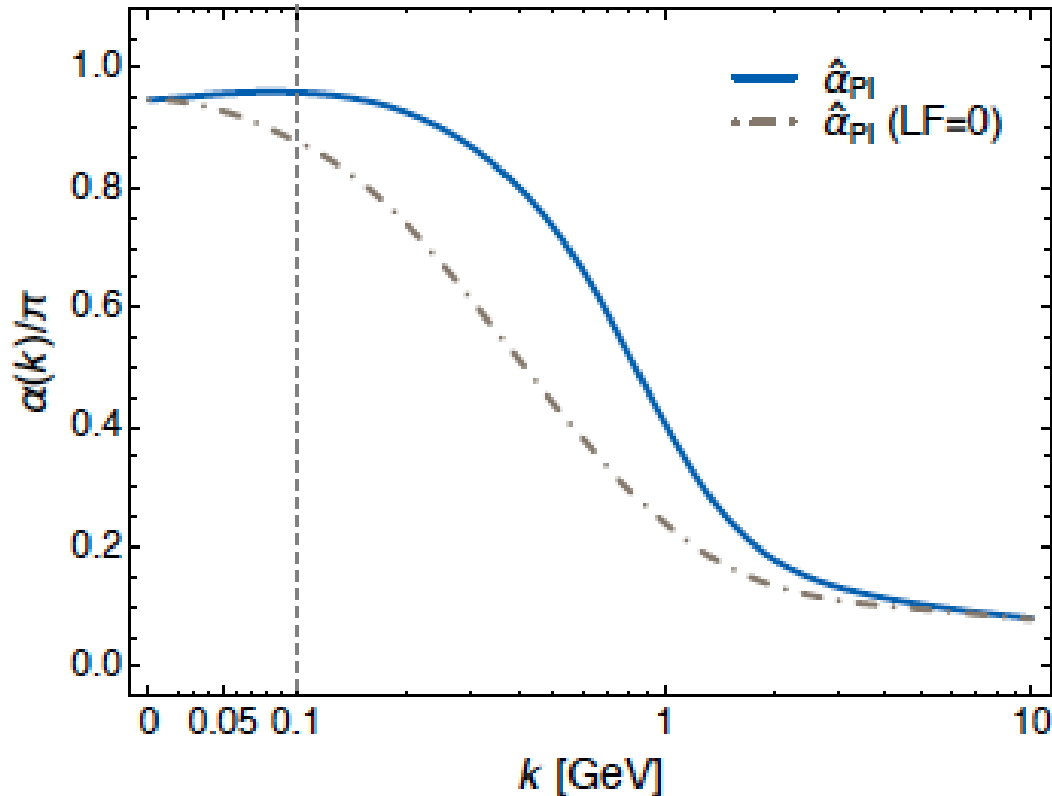
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Thank you!!!

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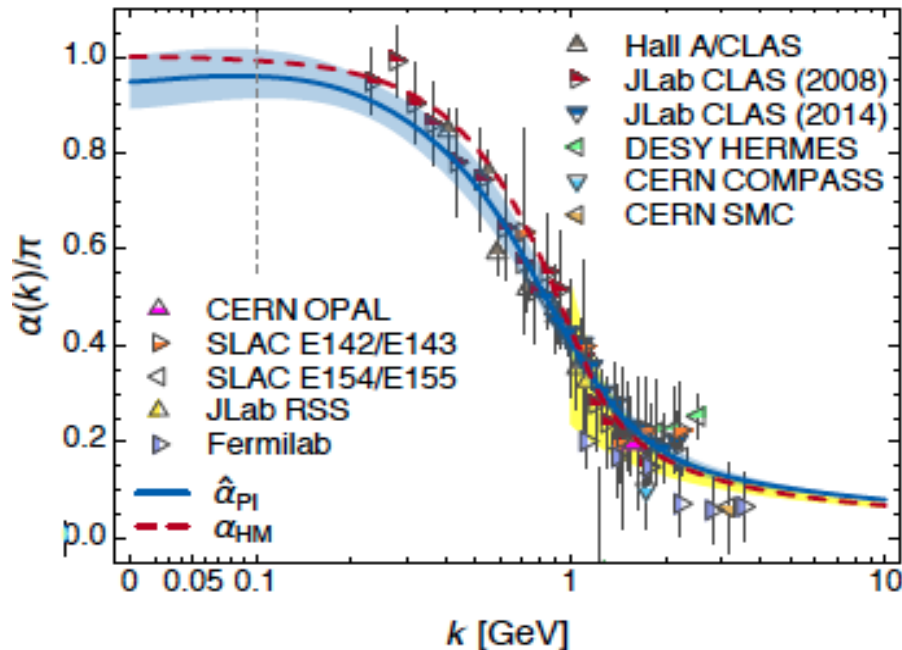


$$\hat{\alpha}(k^2) = \frac{\hat{d}(k^2)}{\mathcal{D}(k^2)} \xrightarrow{k^2 \gg m_0^2} \mathcal{I}(k^2)$$



- Parameter free  
completely determined from 2-points sector
- No Landau pole  
physical coupling showing an IR fixed point
- Smoothly connects IR and UV domains  
no explicit matching procedure
- Essentially non-perturbative result  
continuum/lattice results plus setting of single mass scale (from the gluon)
- Ghost gluon dynamics critical  
enhancement at intermediate momenta

# QCD effective charge: comparison



- **Equivalence in the perturbative domain**  
reasonable definitions of the charge

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- **Equivalence in the non-perturbative domain**  
highly non-trivial (ghost-gluon interactions)

- **Agreement with light-front holography**  
model for  $\alpha_{g_1}$

Deur, Brodsky, de Teramond, PNP 90 (2016)

- **Process dependent effective charges**  
fixed by the leading-order term in the expansion of a given observable

Grunberg, PRD 29 (1984)

- **Bjorken sum rule**  
defines such a charge

Bjorken, PR 148 (1966); PRD 1 (1970)

$$\int_0^1 dx [g_1^p(x, k^2) - g_1^n(x, k^2)] = \frac{g_A}{6} [1 - \alpha_{g_1}(k^2)/\pi]$$

- $g_1^{p,n}$  spin dependent p/n structure functions  
extracted from measurements using unpolarized targets
- $g_A$  nucleon flavour-singlet axial charge

- **Many merits**

- **Existence of data**  
for a wide momentum range
- **Tight sum rules constraints on the Integral**  
at IR and UV extremes
- **Isospin non-singlet**  
suppress contributions from hard-to-compute processes