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in QCD there is a broad resonance $f_0(500)$

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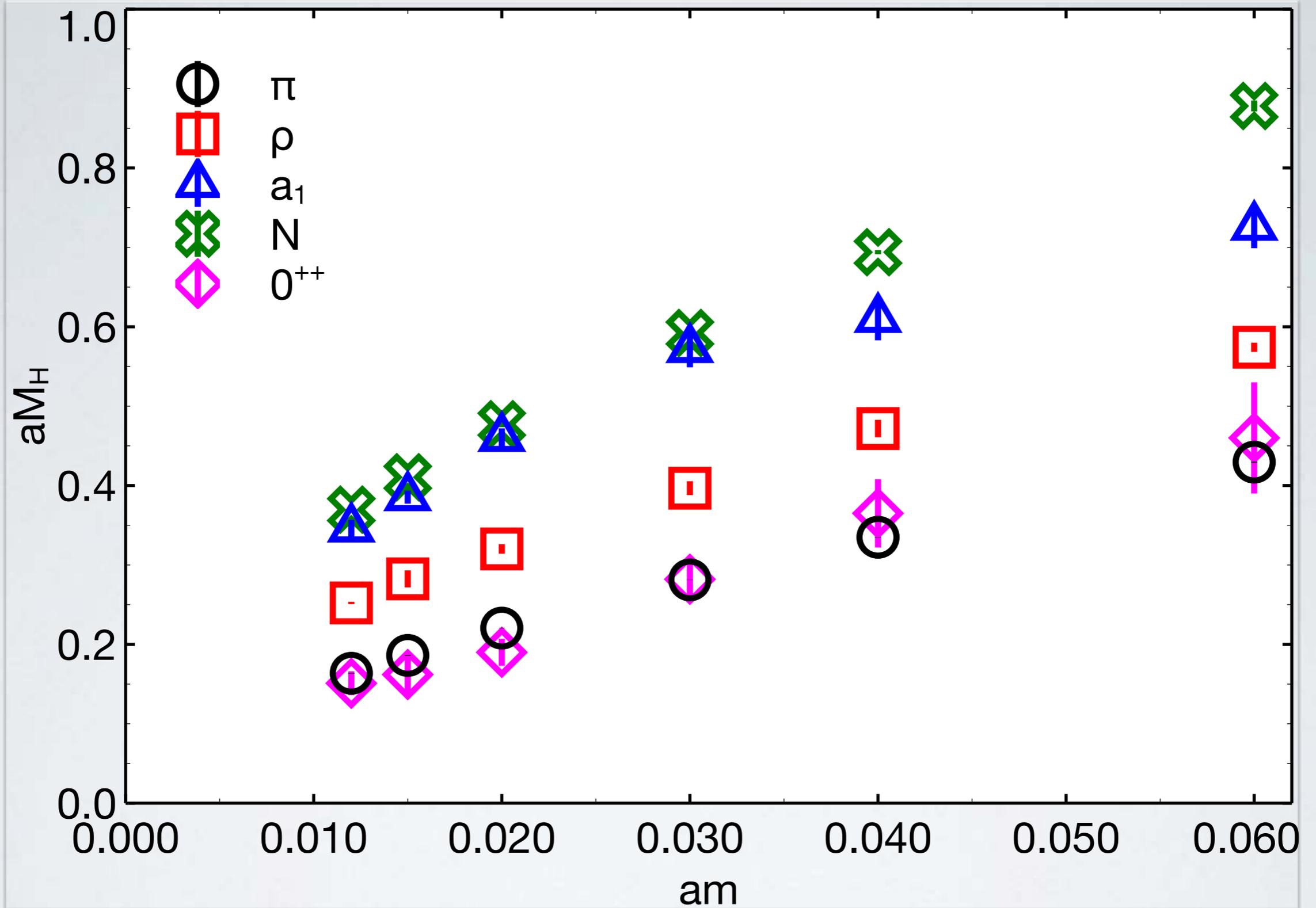
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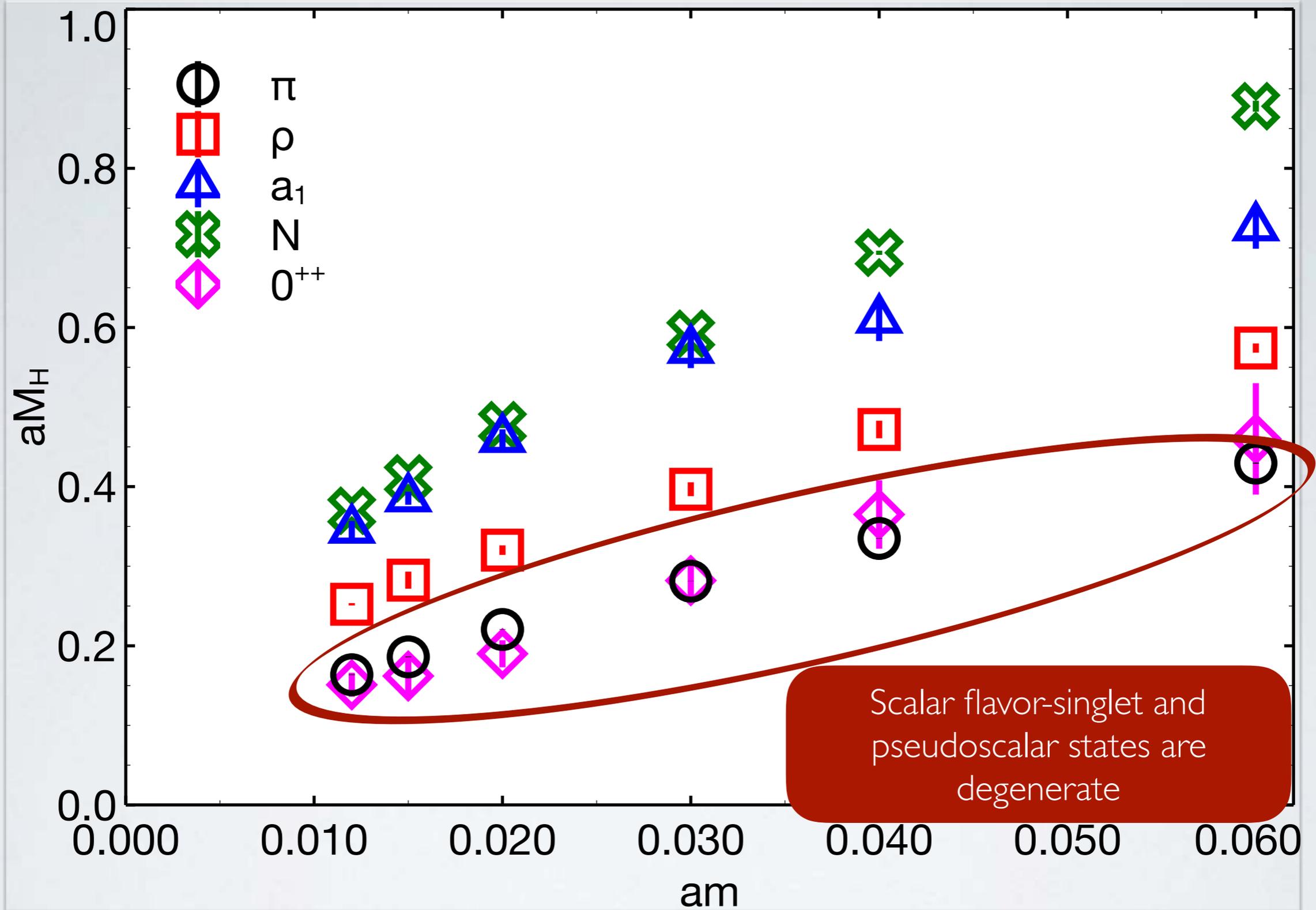
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Have a look at the most interesting case of $N_f=8$

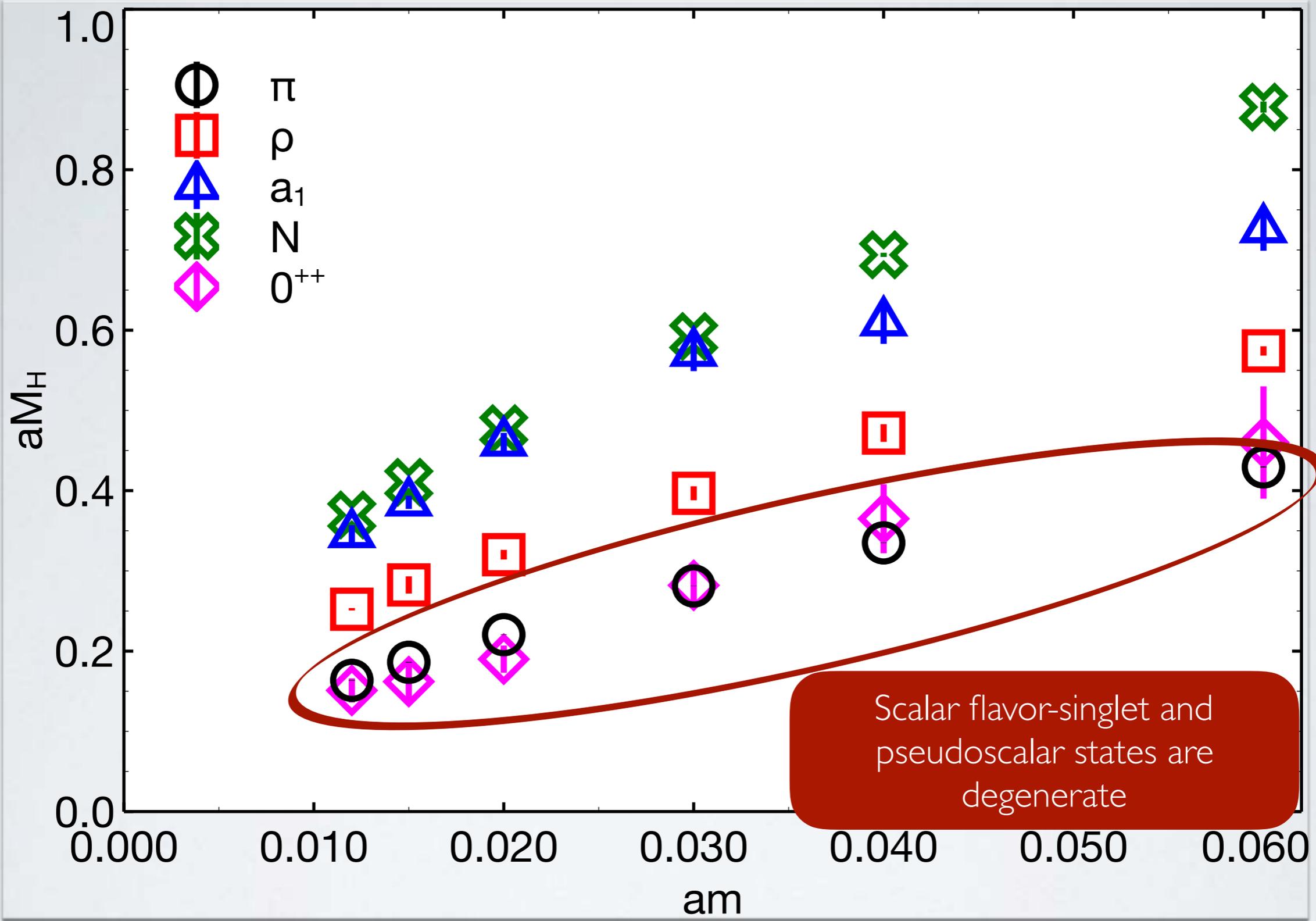


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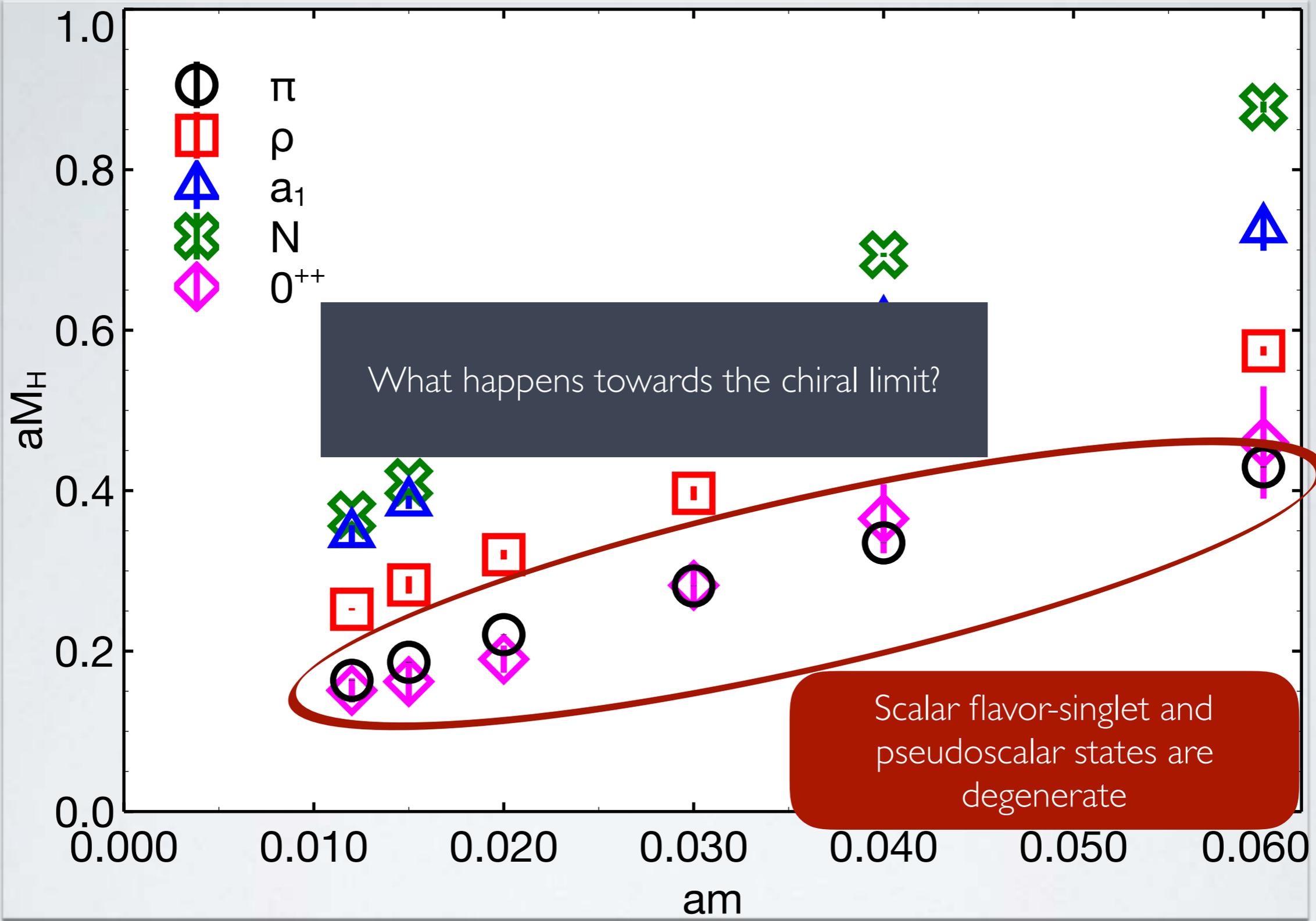
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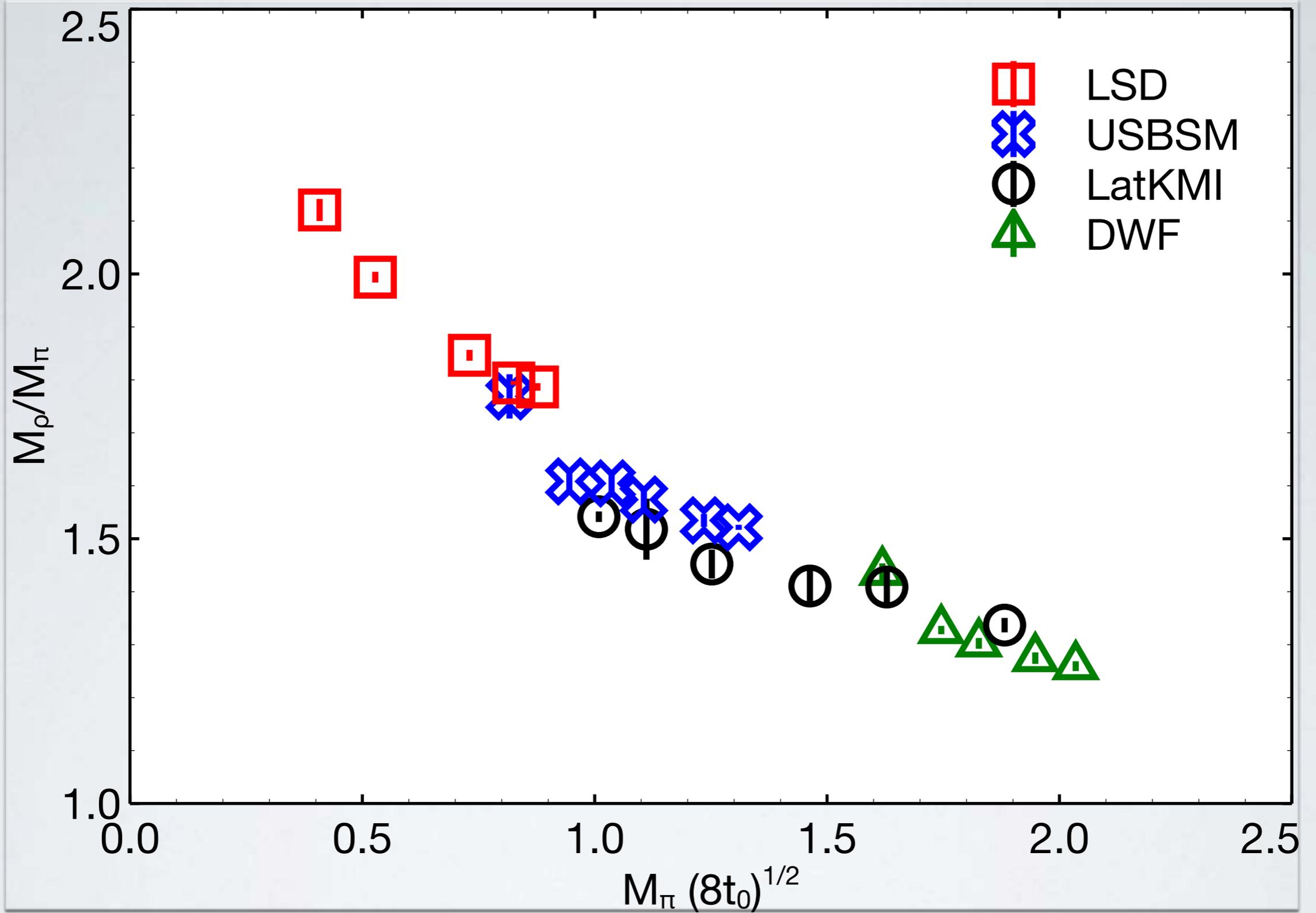
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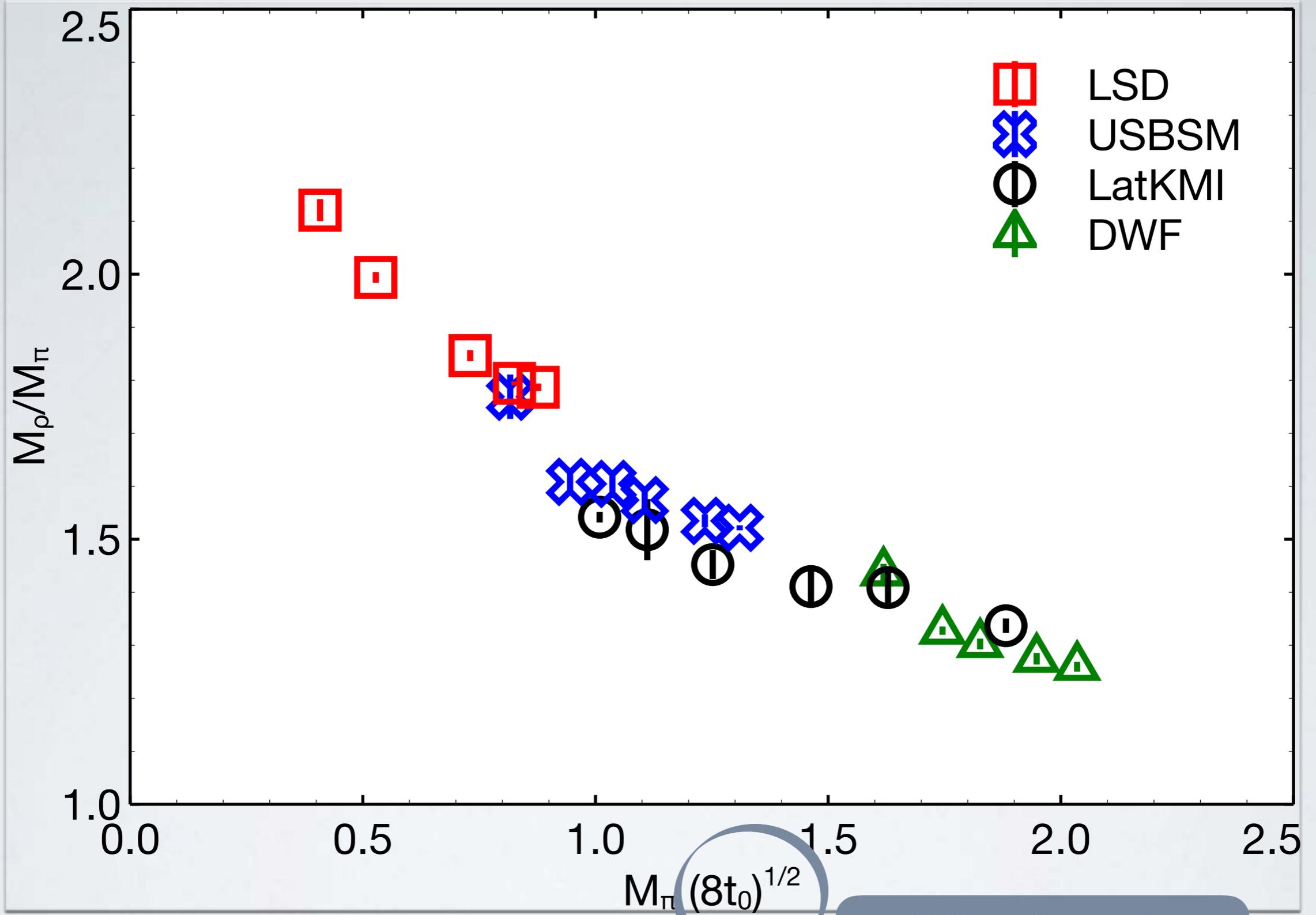


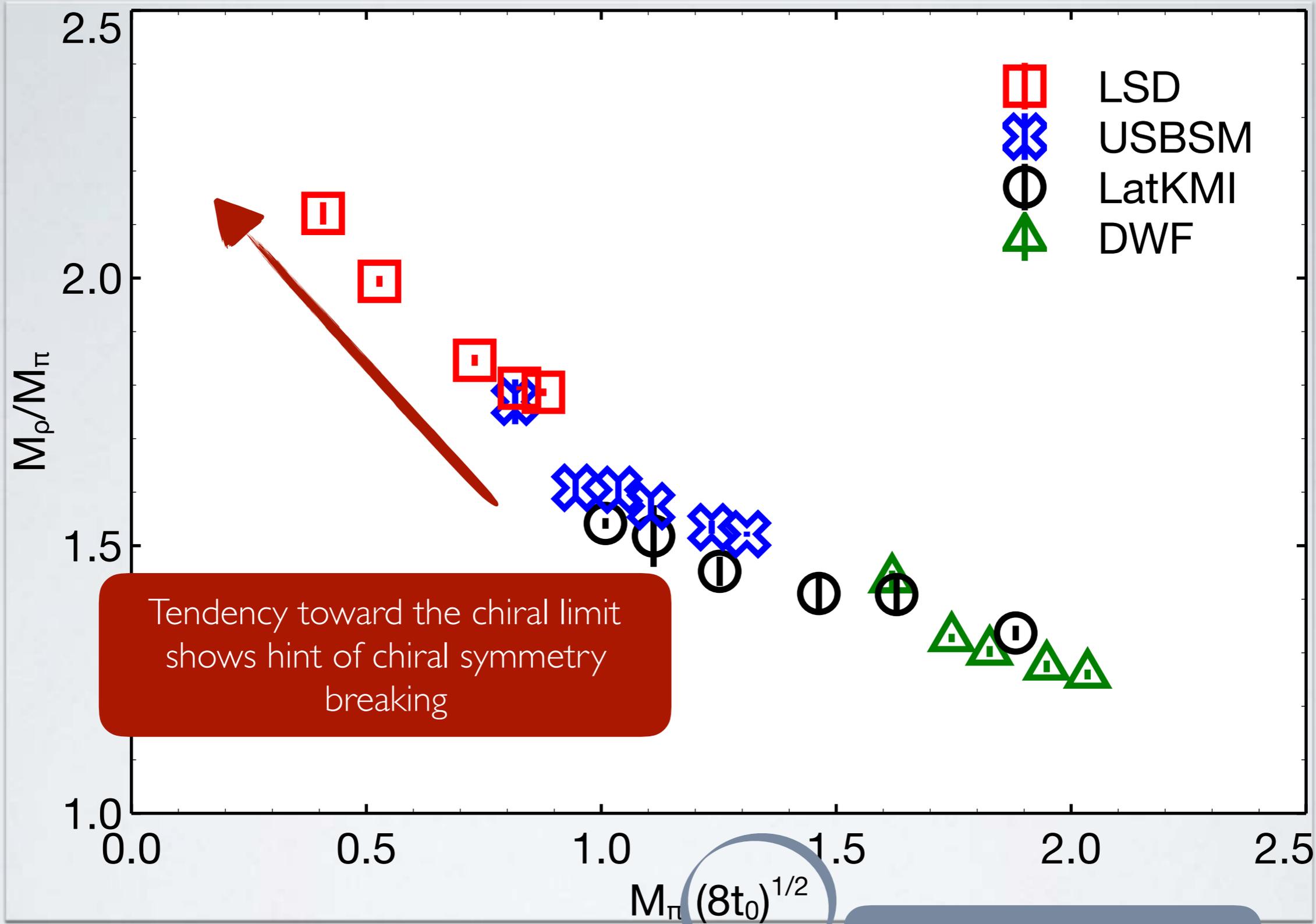
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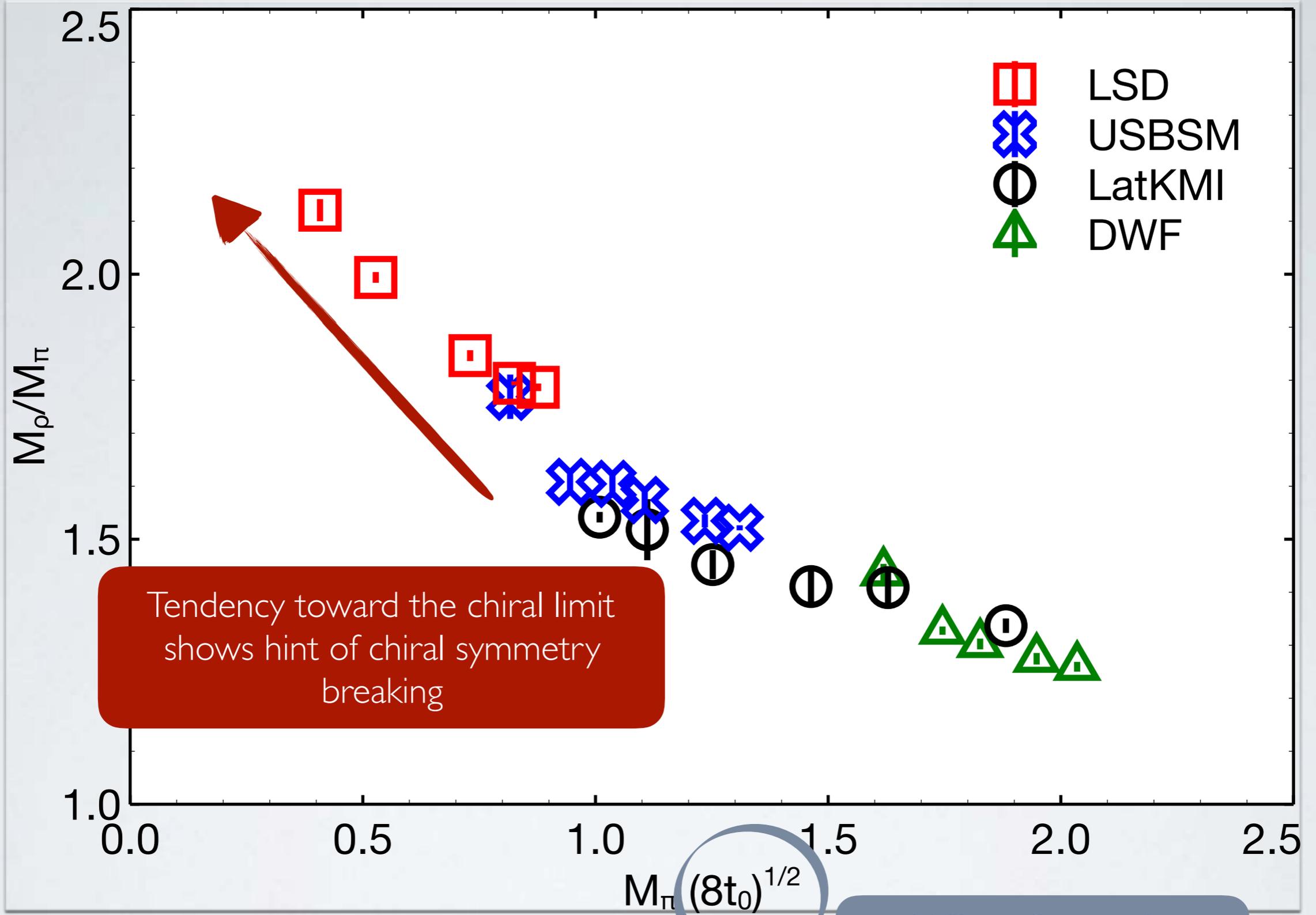
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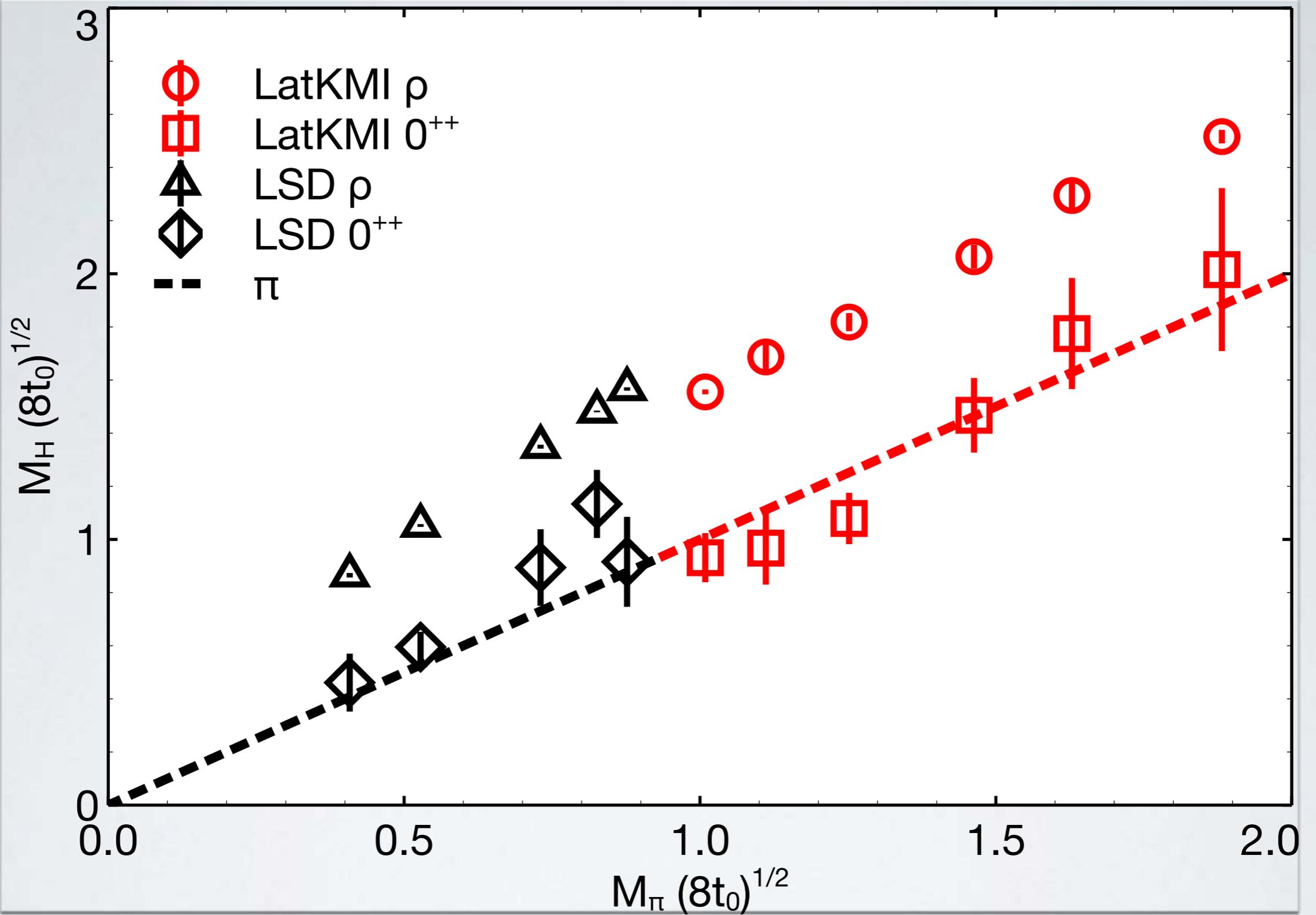


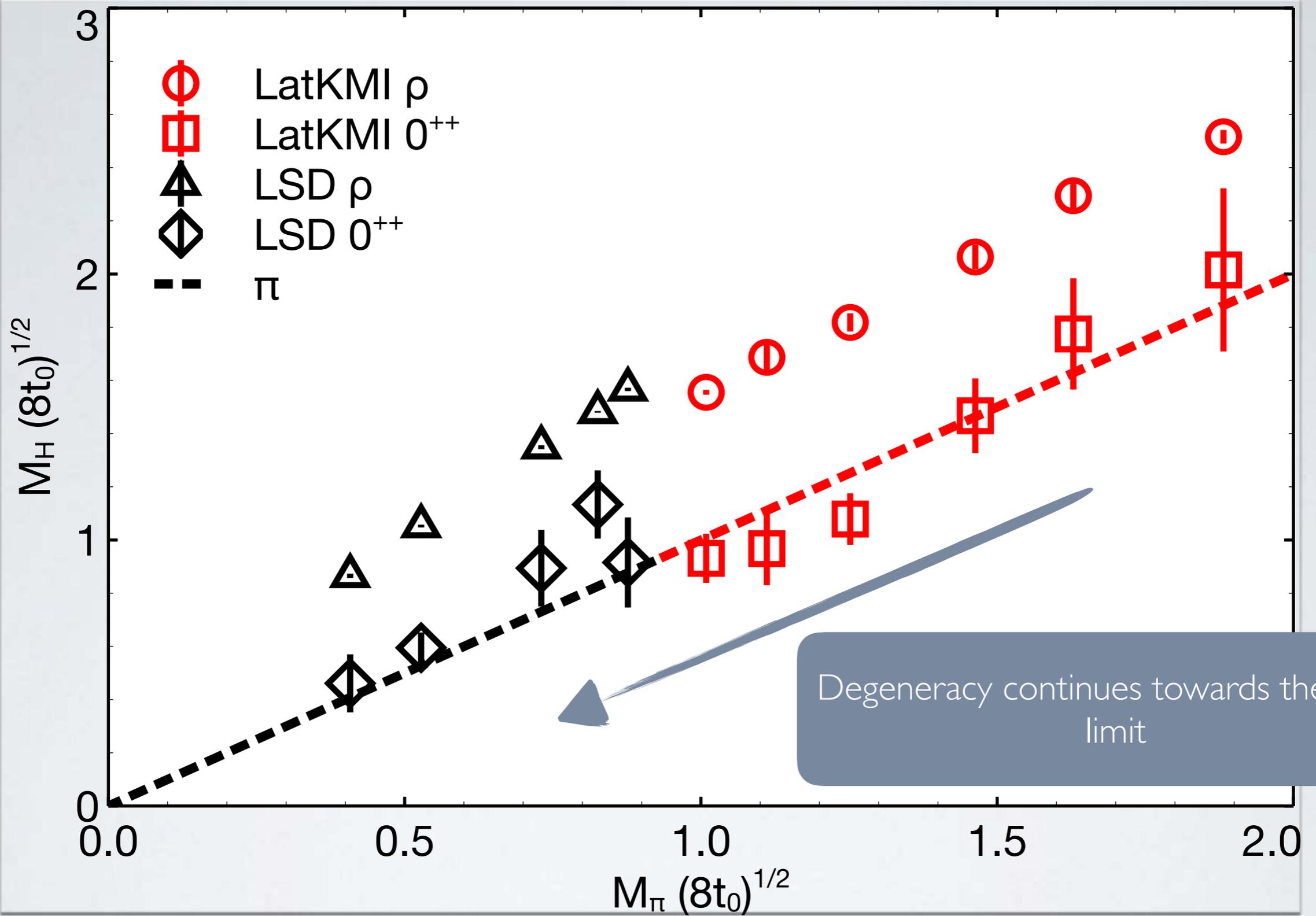


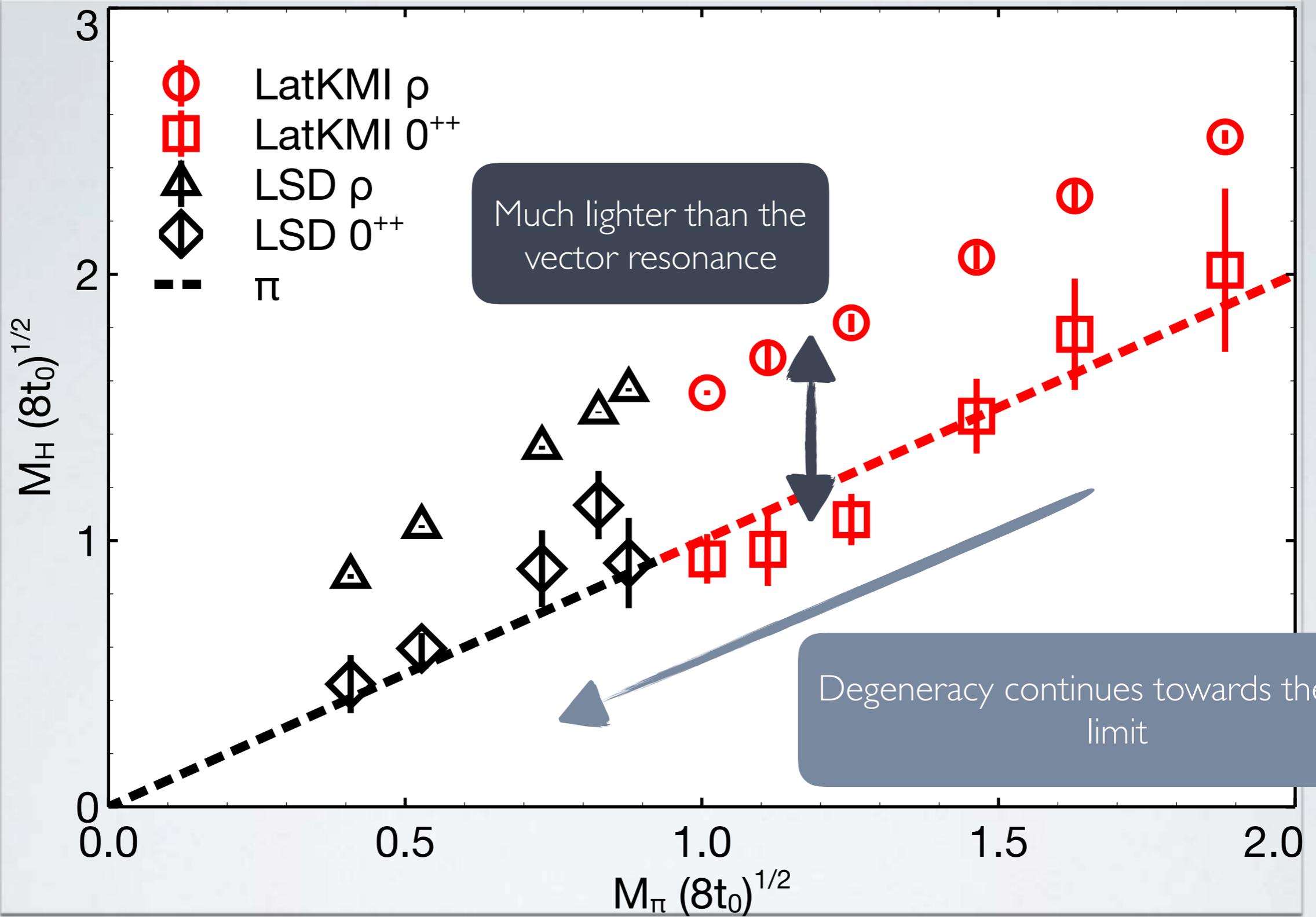


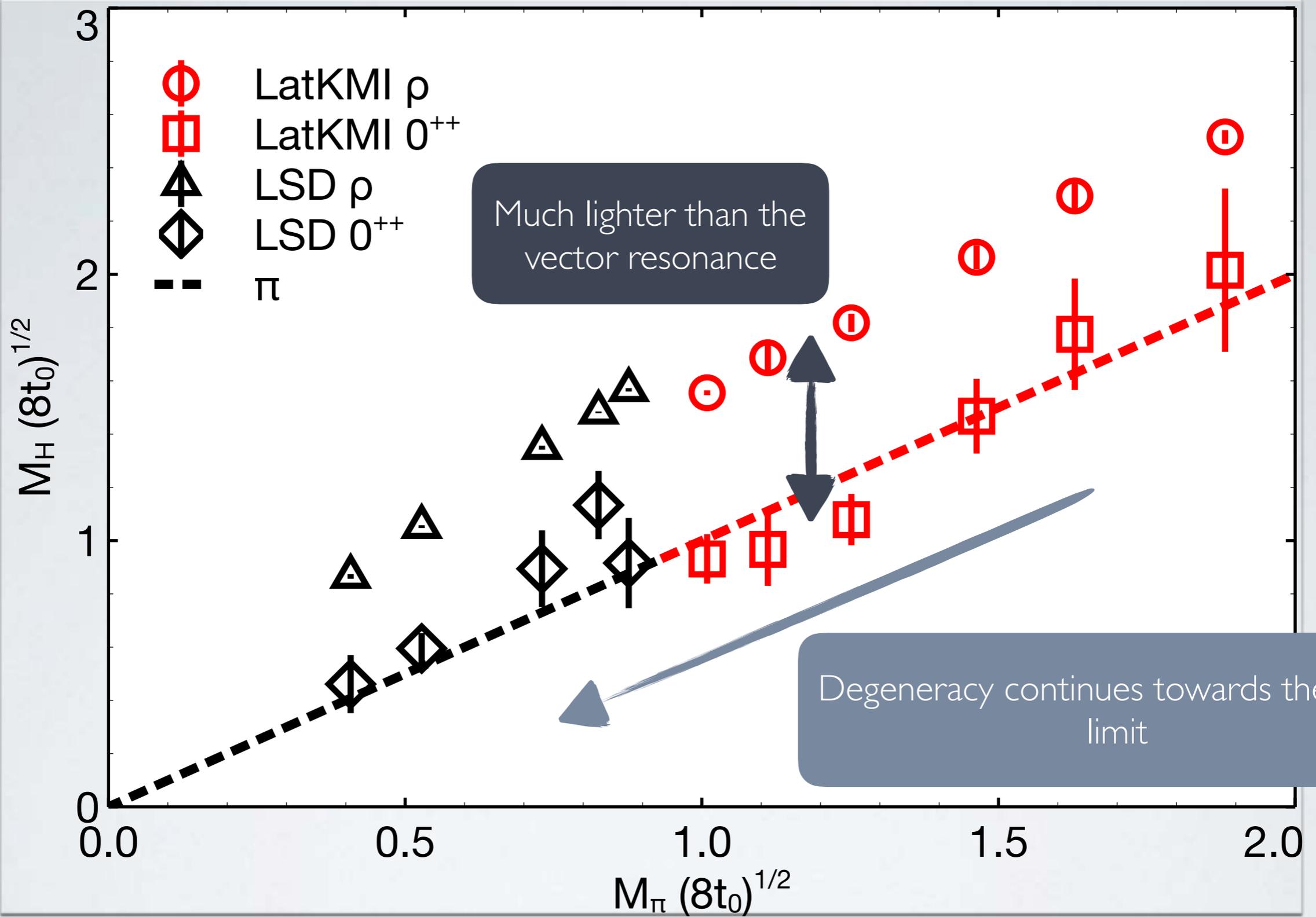


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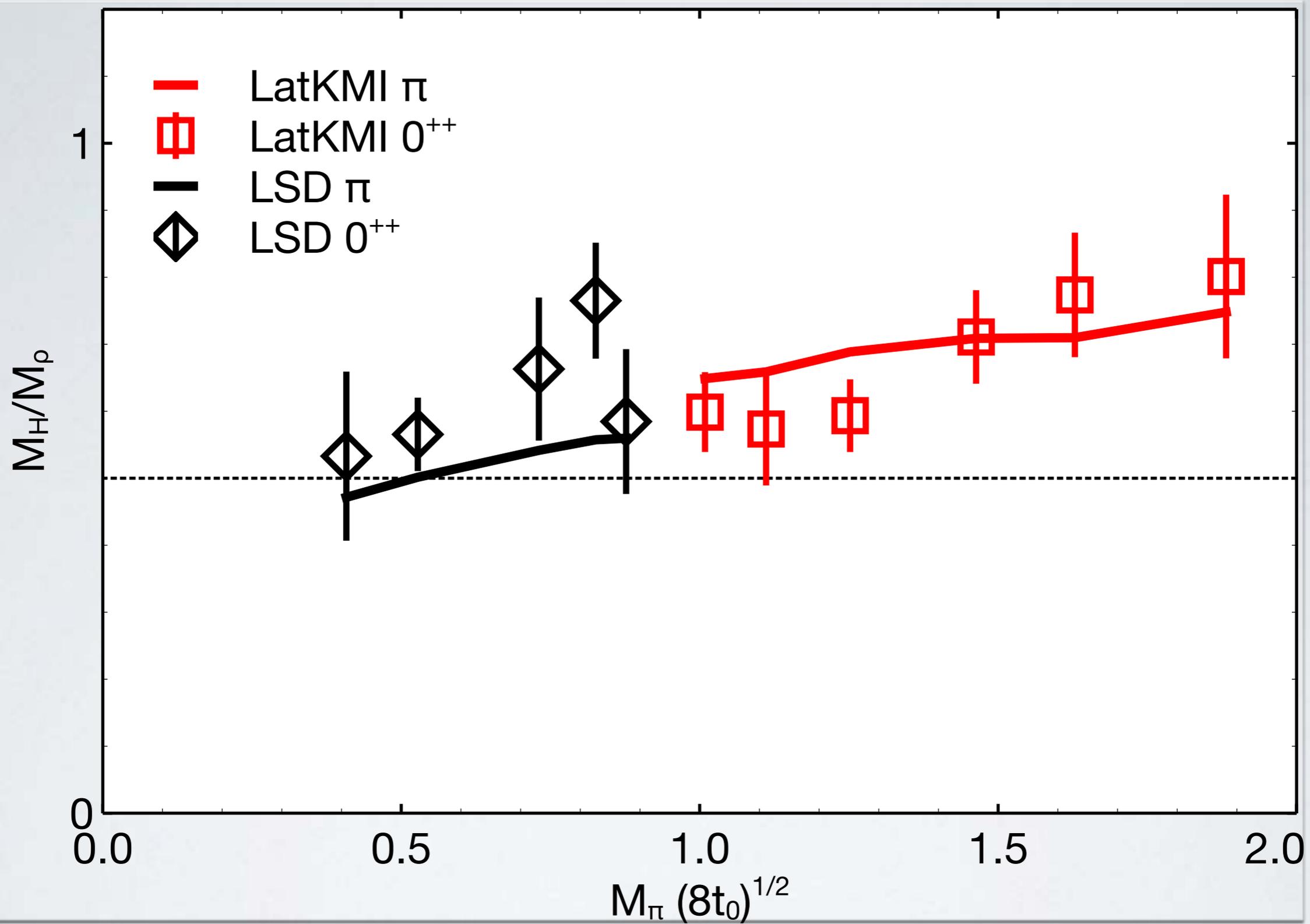


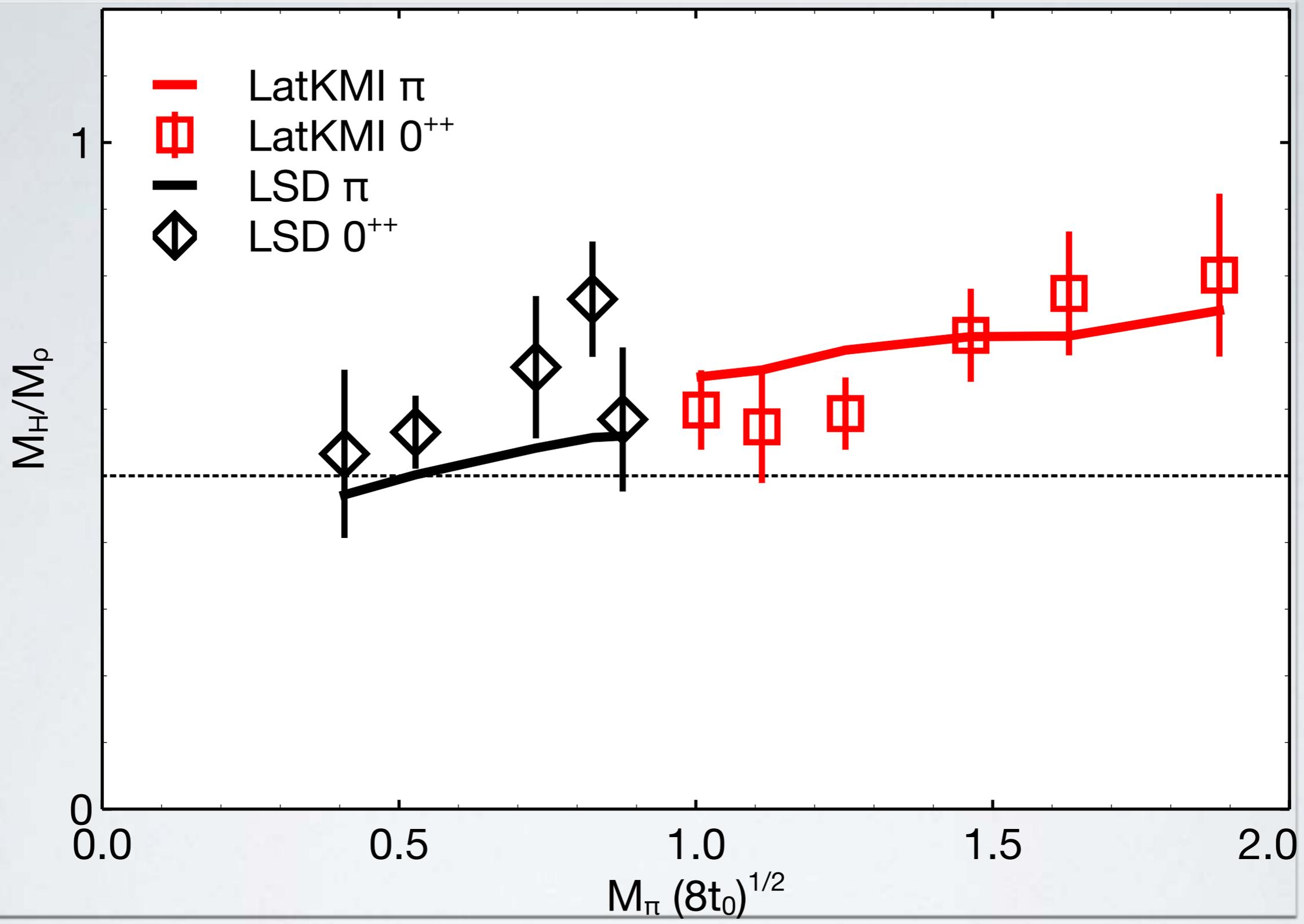




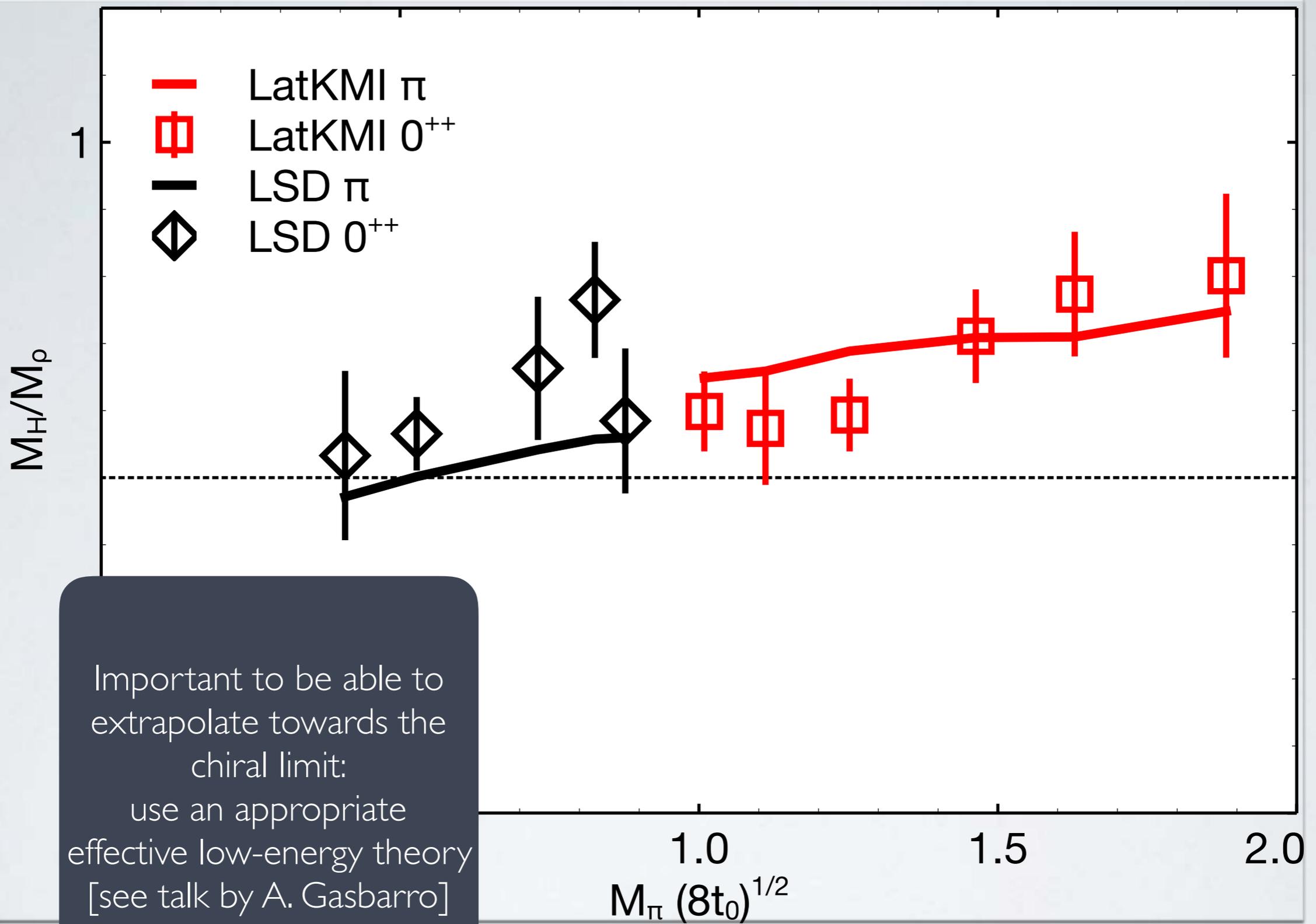


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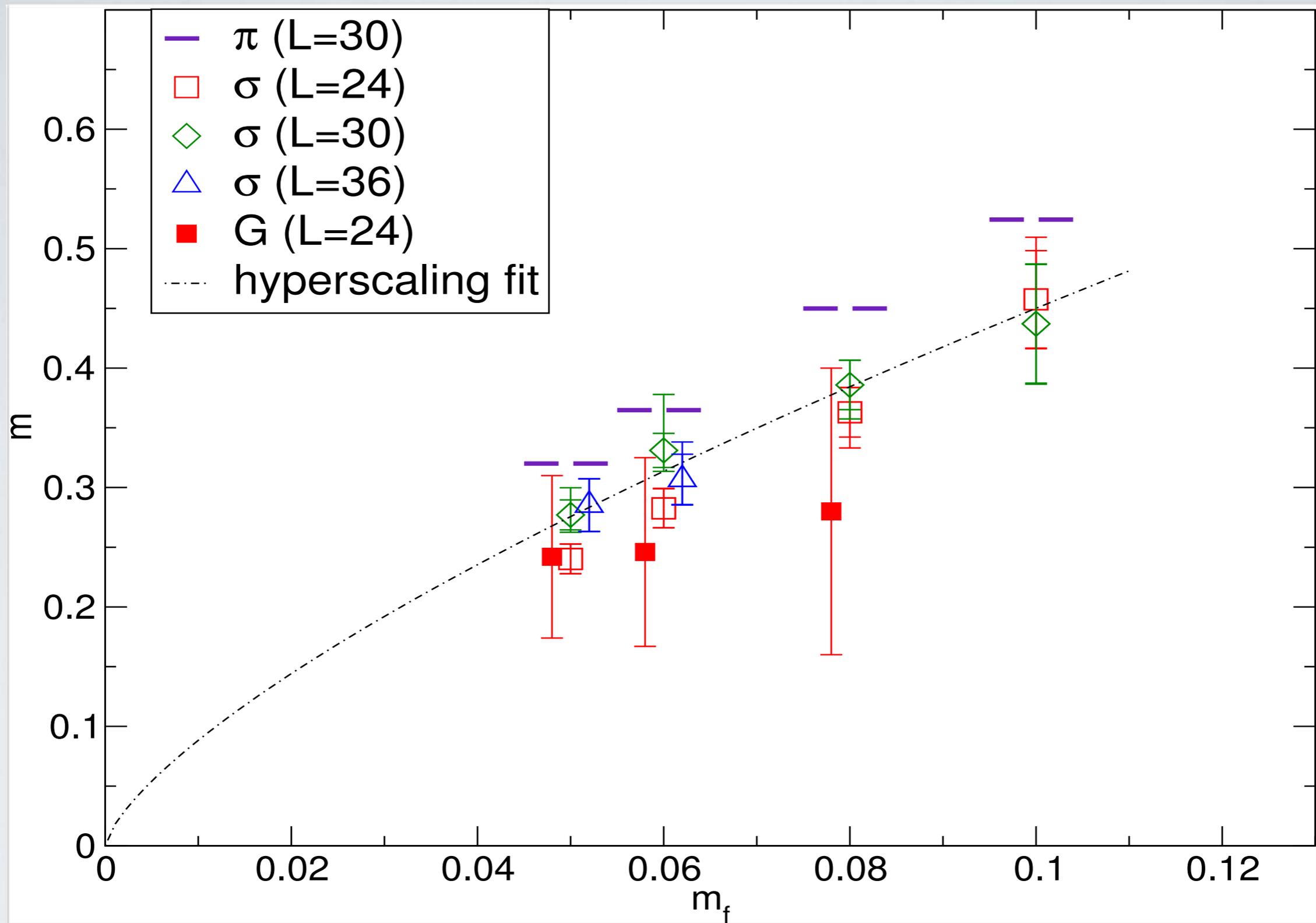


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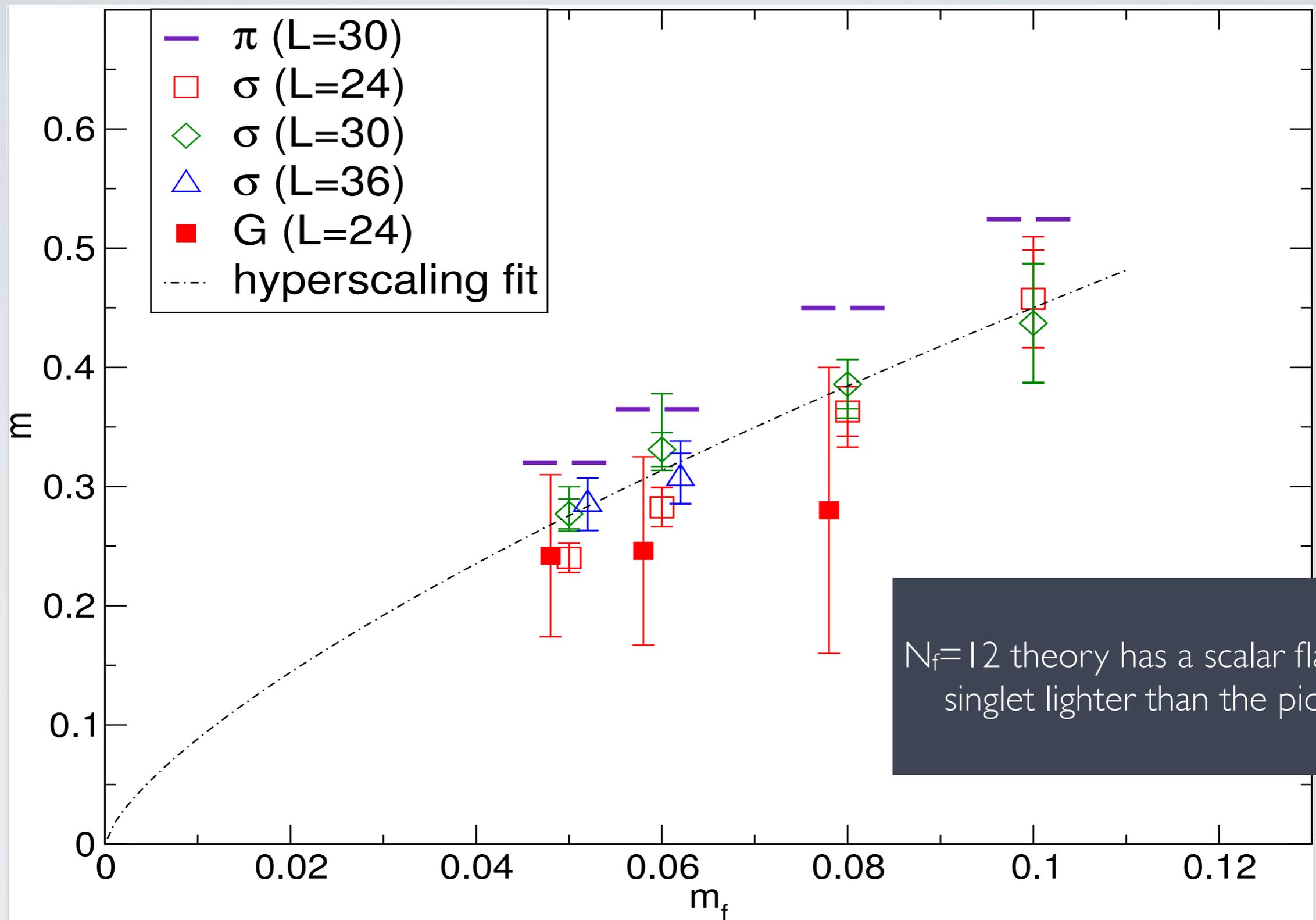
Important to be able to extrapolate towards the chiral limit:
 use an appropriate effective low-energy theory
 [see talk by A. Gasbarro]

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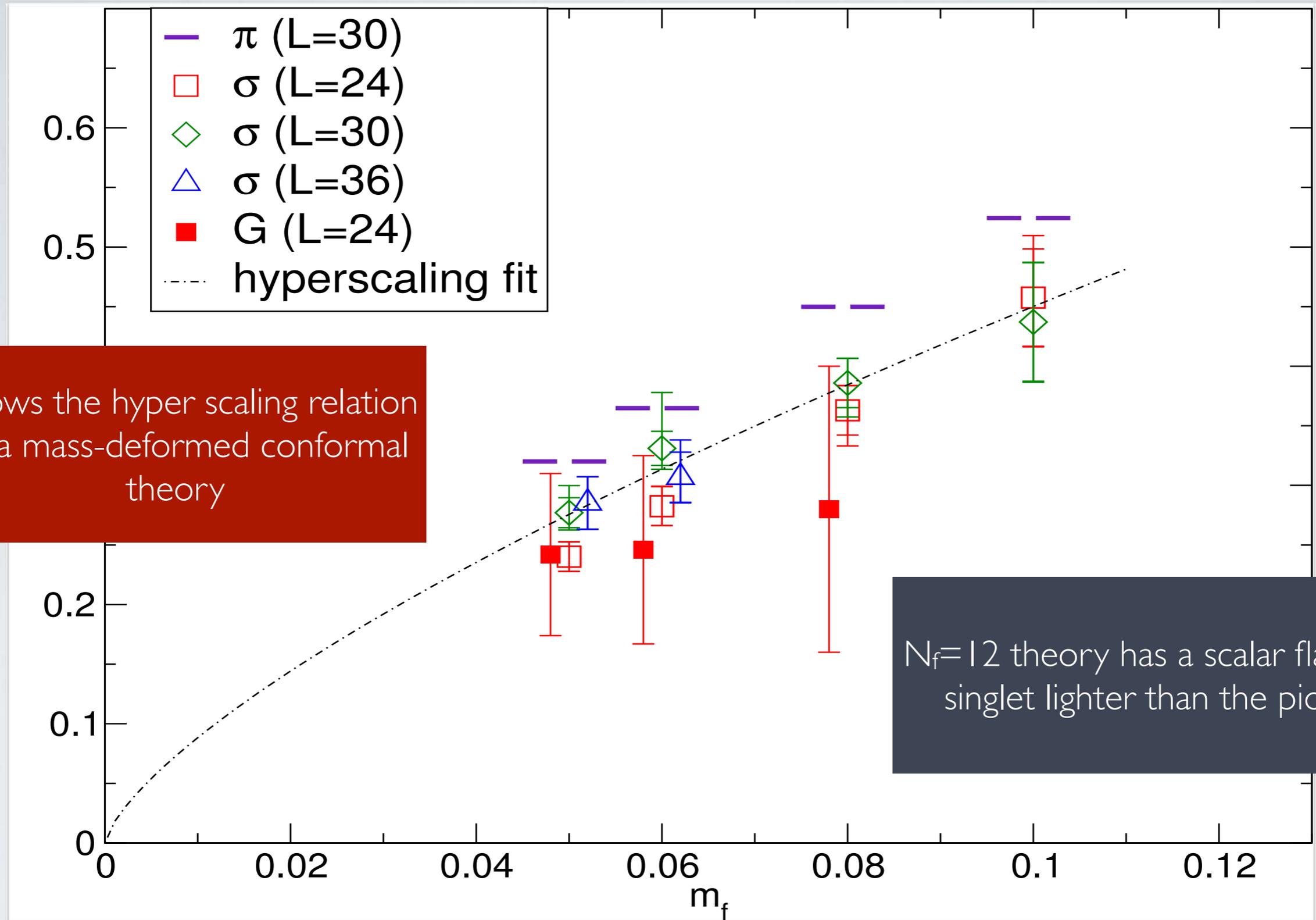
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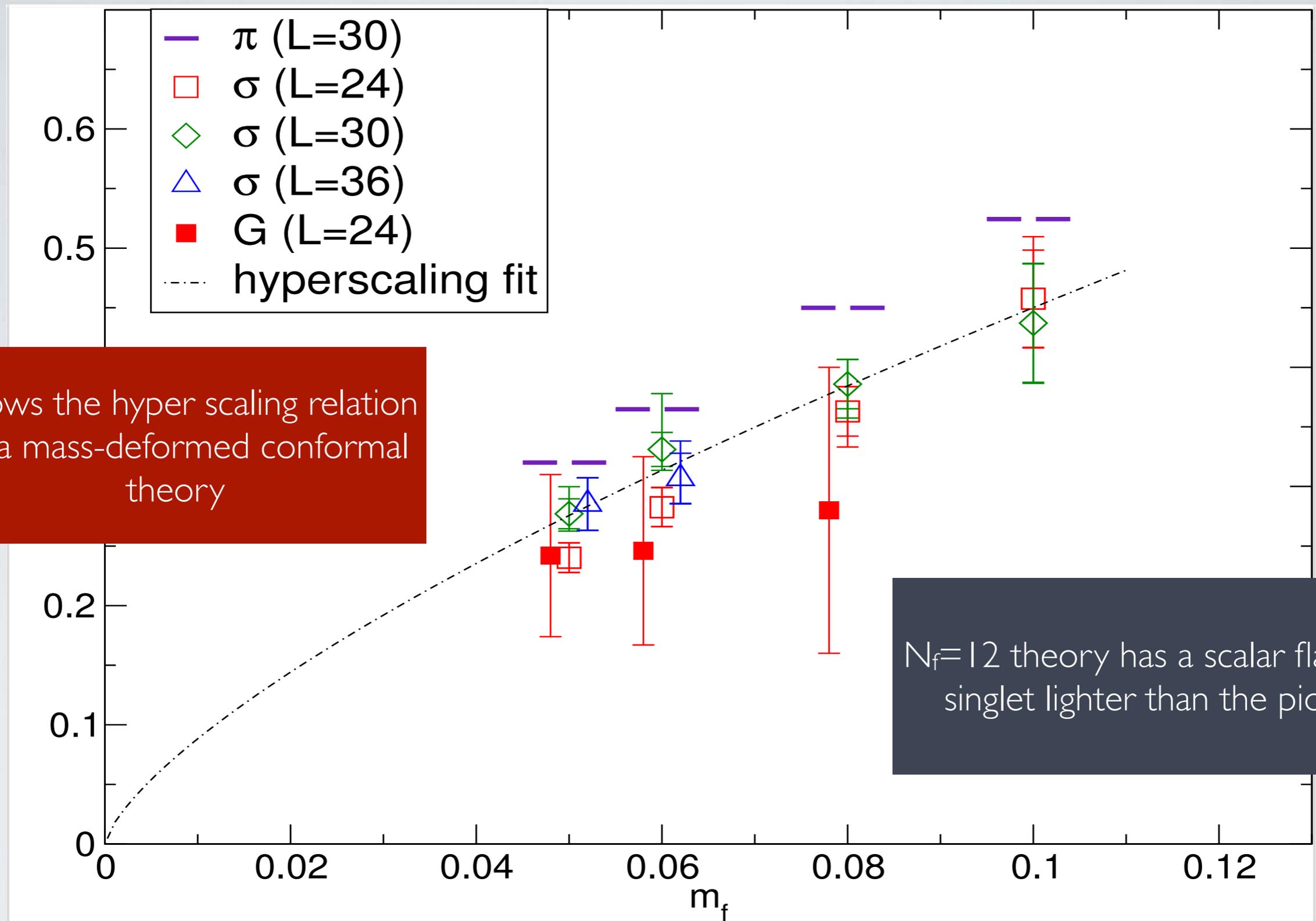
Follows the hyper scaling relation for a mass-deformed conformal theory



$N_f=12$ theory has a scalar flavor-singlet lighter than the pion

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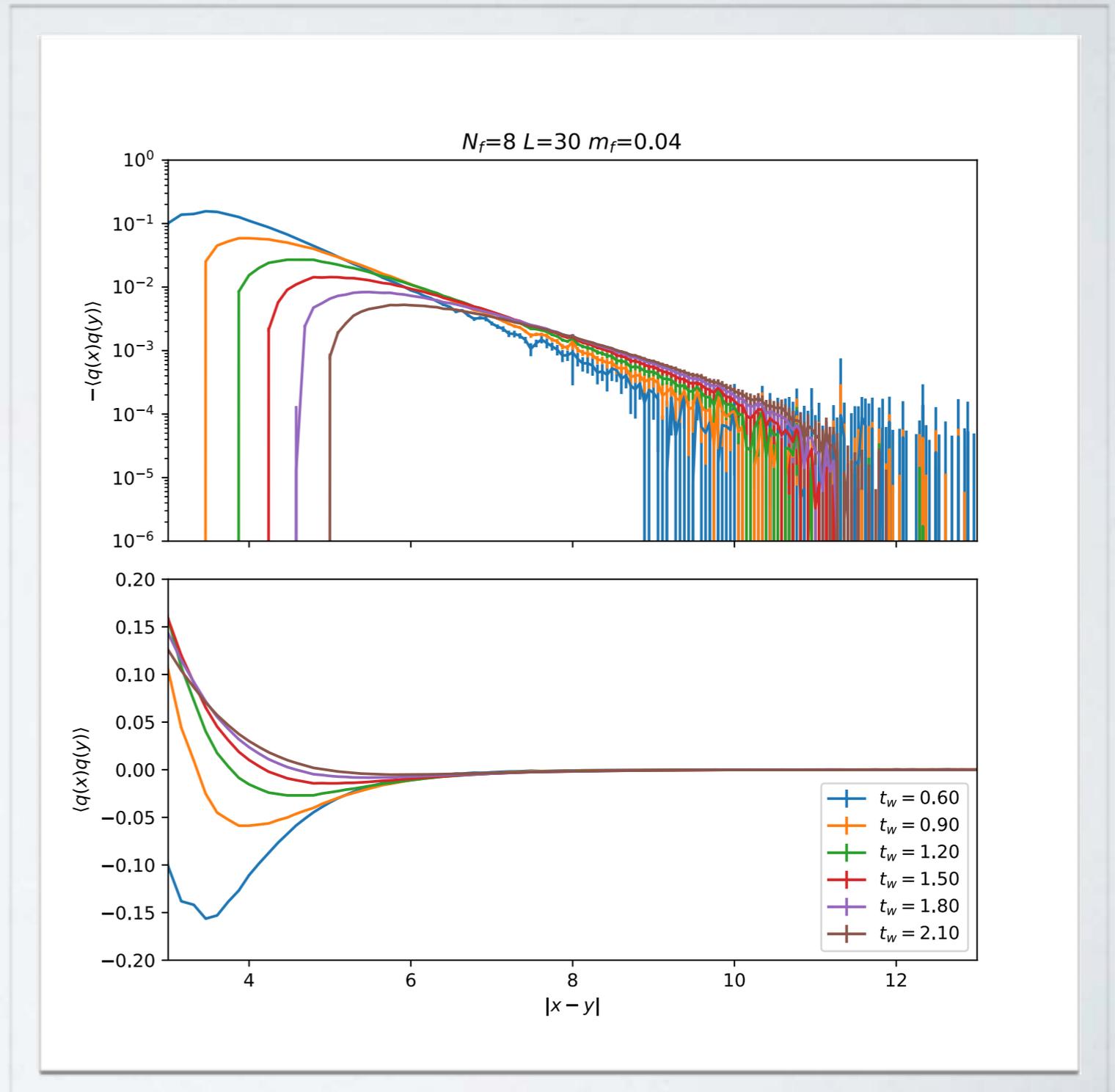
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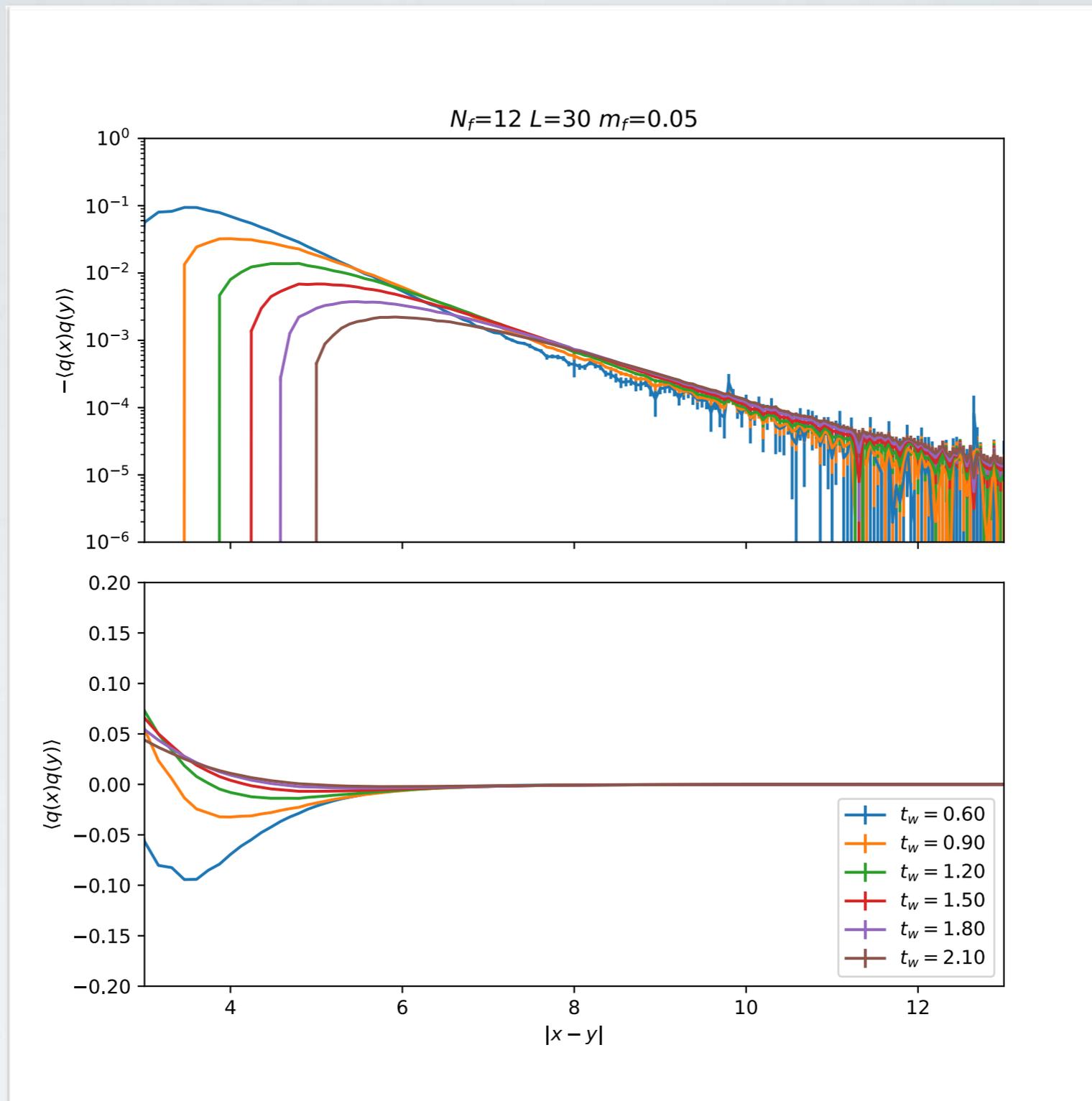
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METHODS FOR THE 0^{-+}

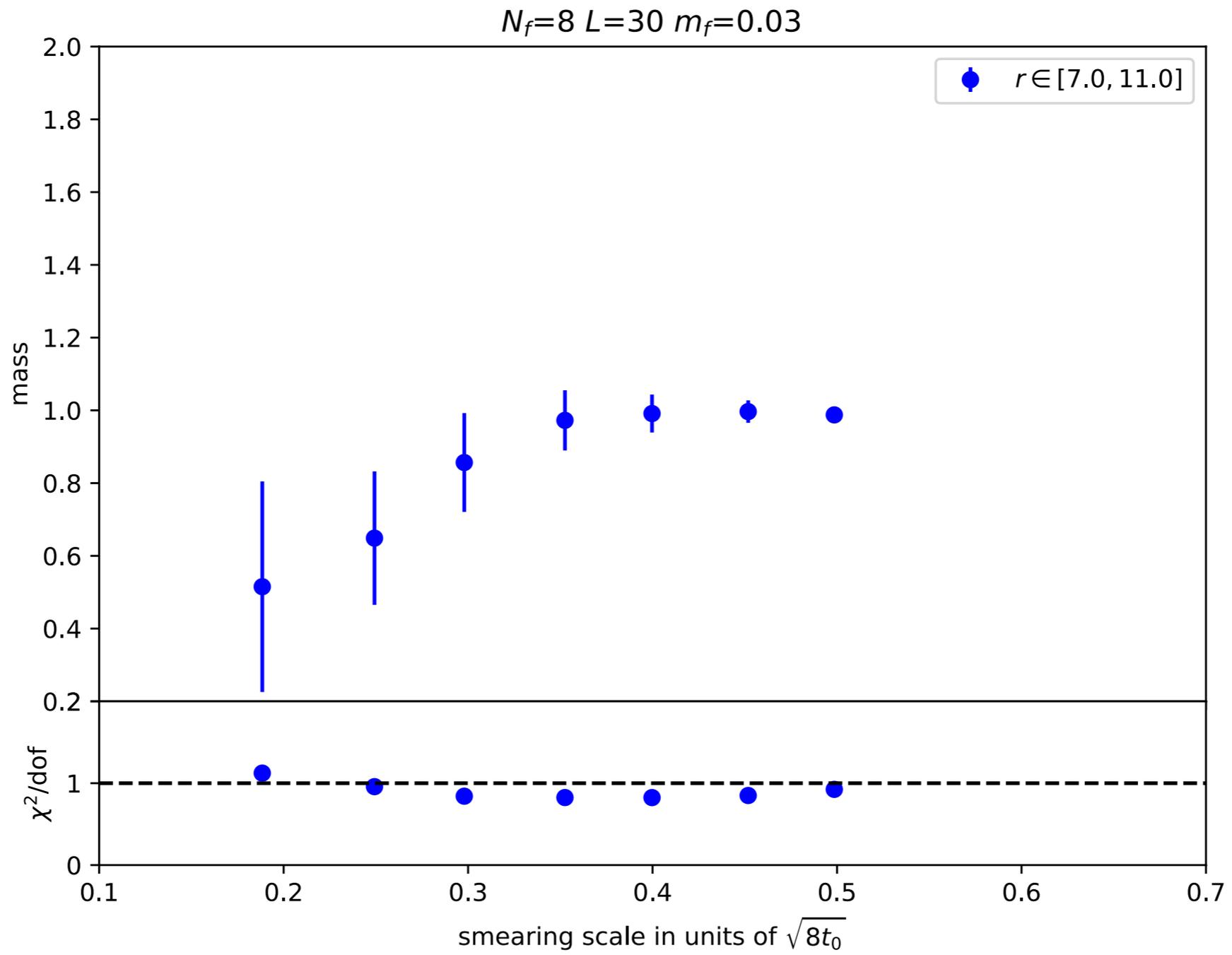
- Use a **gluonic operator** with 0^{-+} quantum numbers: topological charge density
- Use **Wilson flow smearing** as a technique to ameliorate the signal-to-noise problem
- Demonstrated in previous studies:
SU(3) YM [arxiv:1409.6459]
QCD [arxiv:1509.00944]
- Main difficulty is estimating the systematics due to smearing and excited states

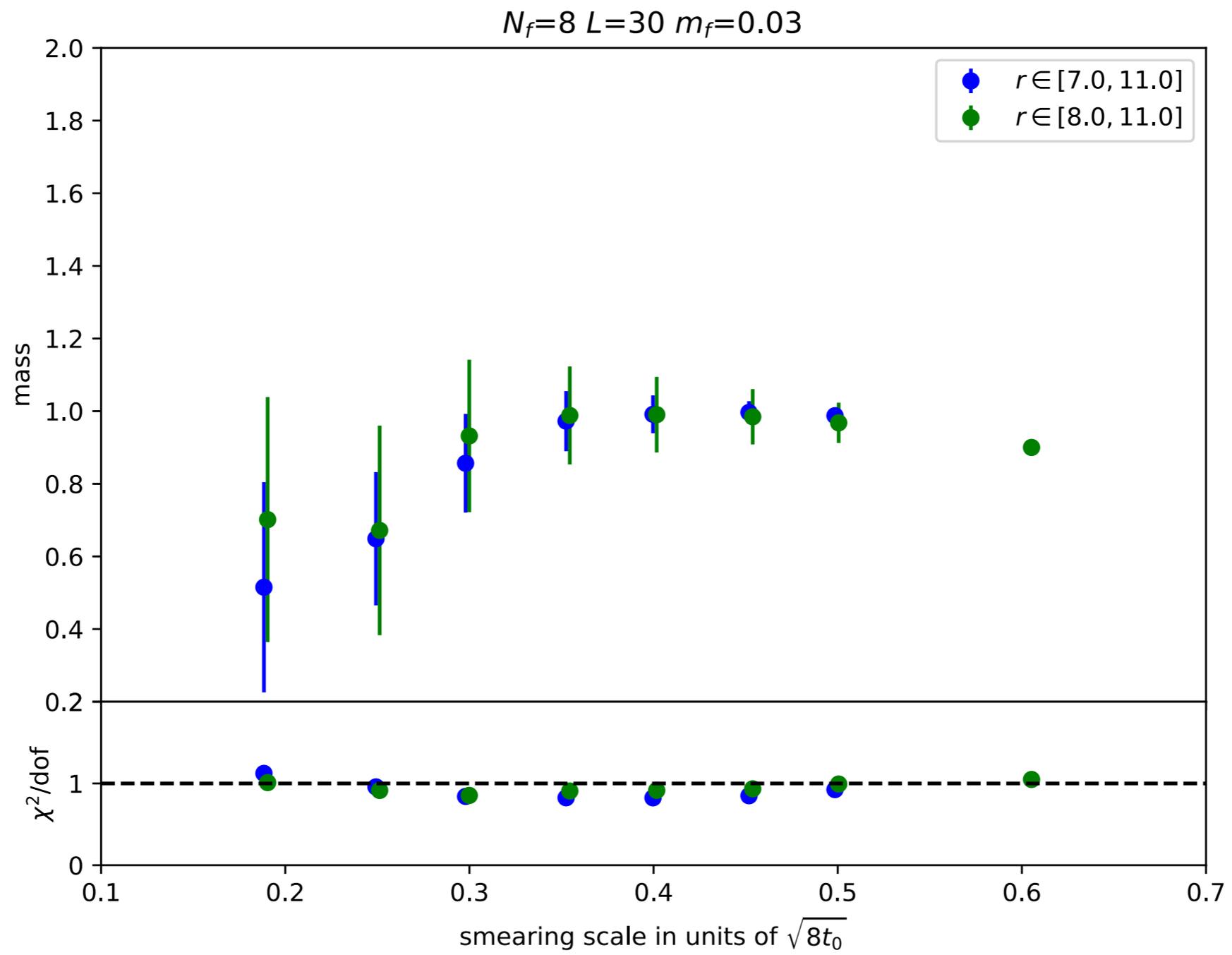


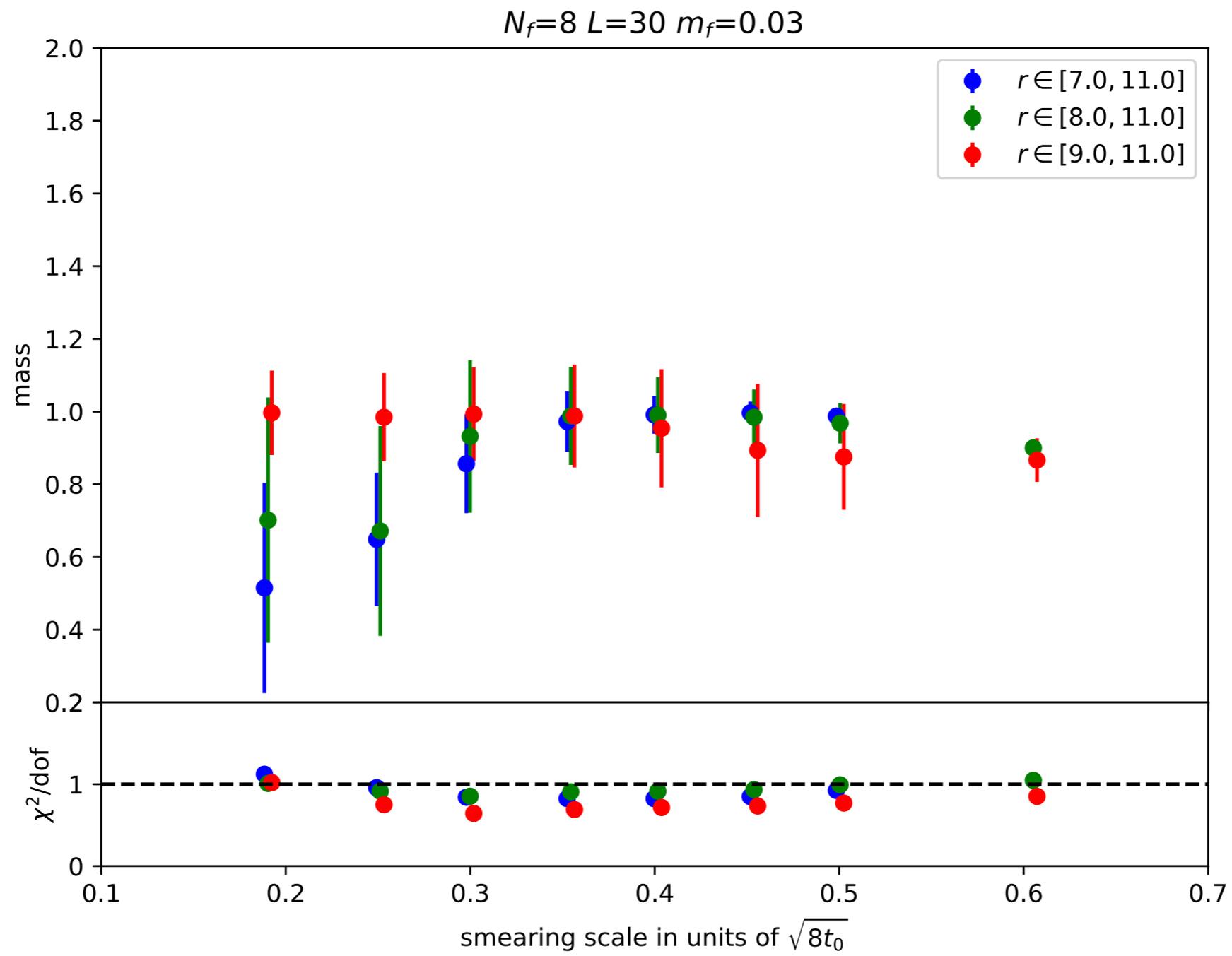


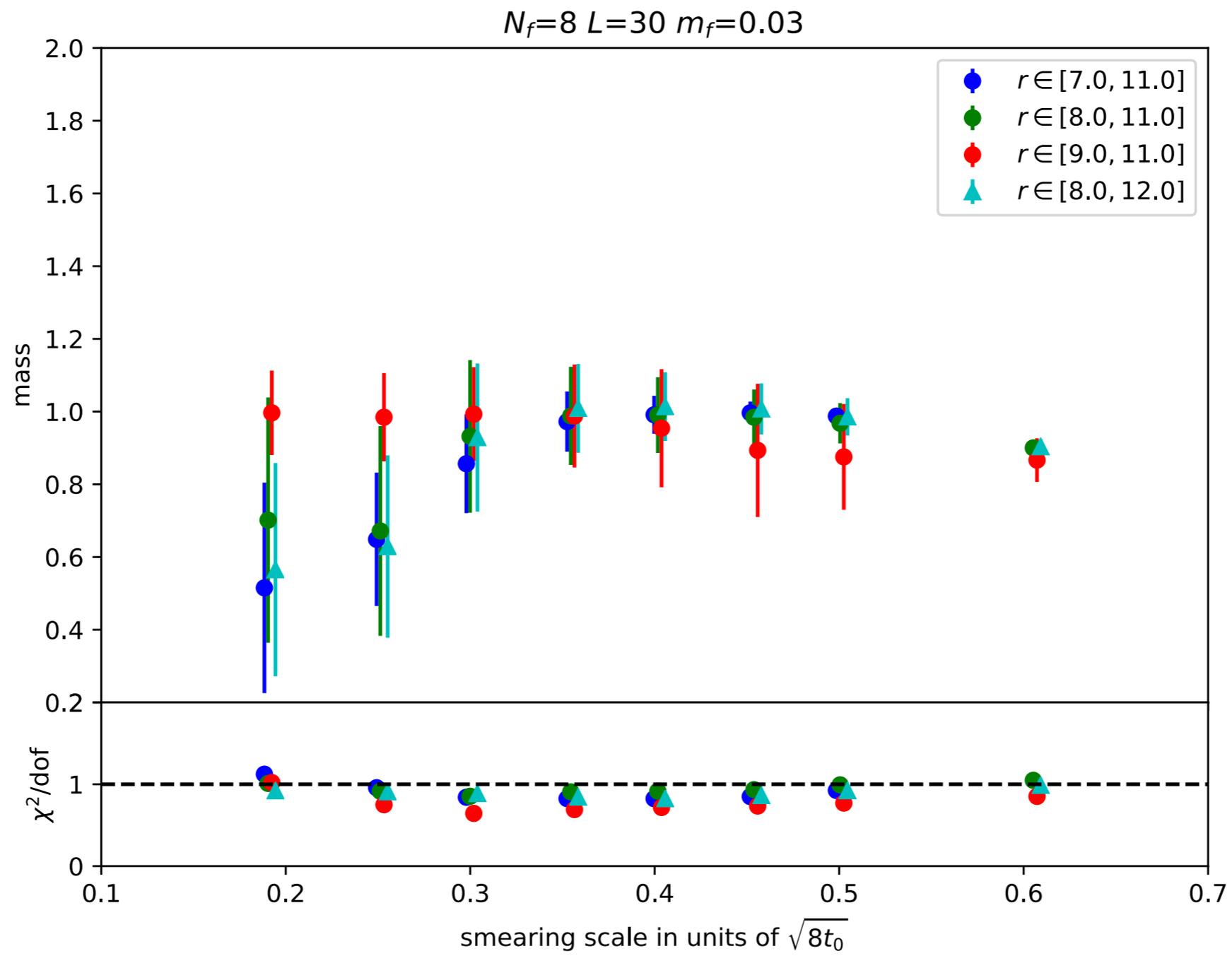
Fit correlator in a window of $r=|x-y|$ at each Wilson flow time

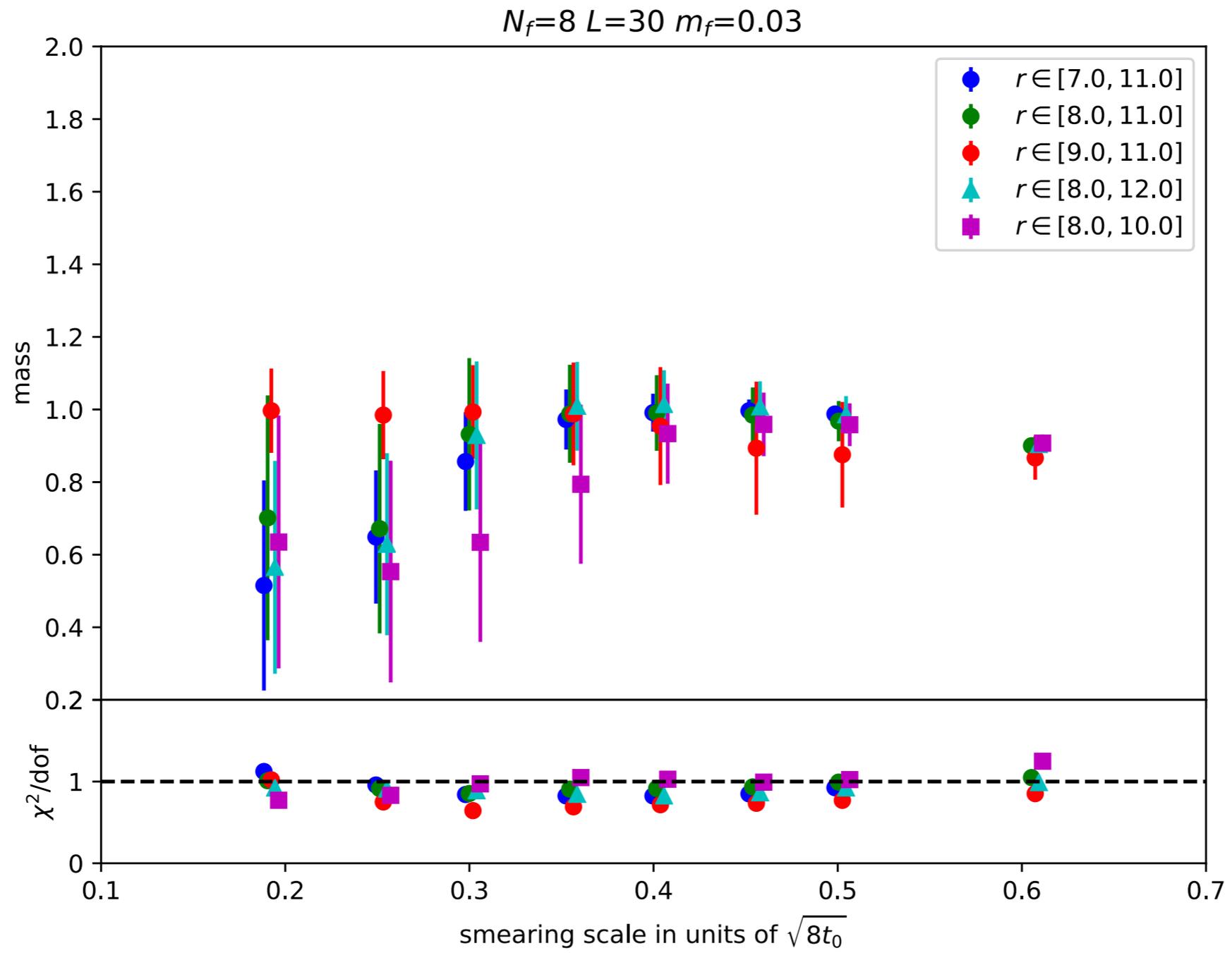
$$C(|x-y|) = \frac{A}{|x-y|} K_1(m_{\eta'} |x-y|) \xrightarrow{\text{large } r} C(r) \approx \frac{A}{r^{1.5}} \left(1 + \frac{3}{8r}\right) e^{-m_{\eta'} r}$$

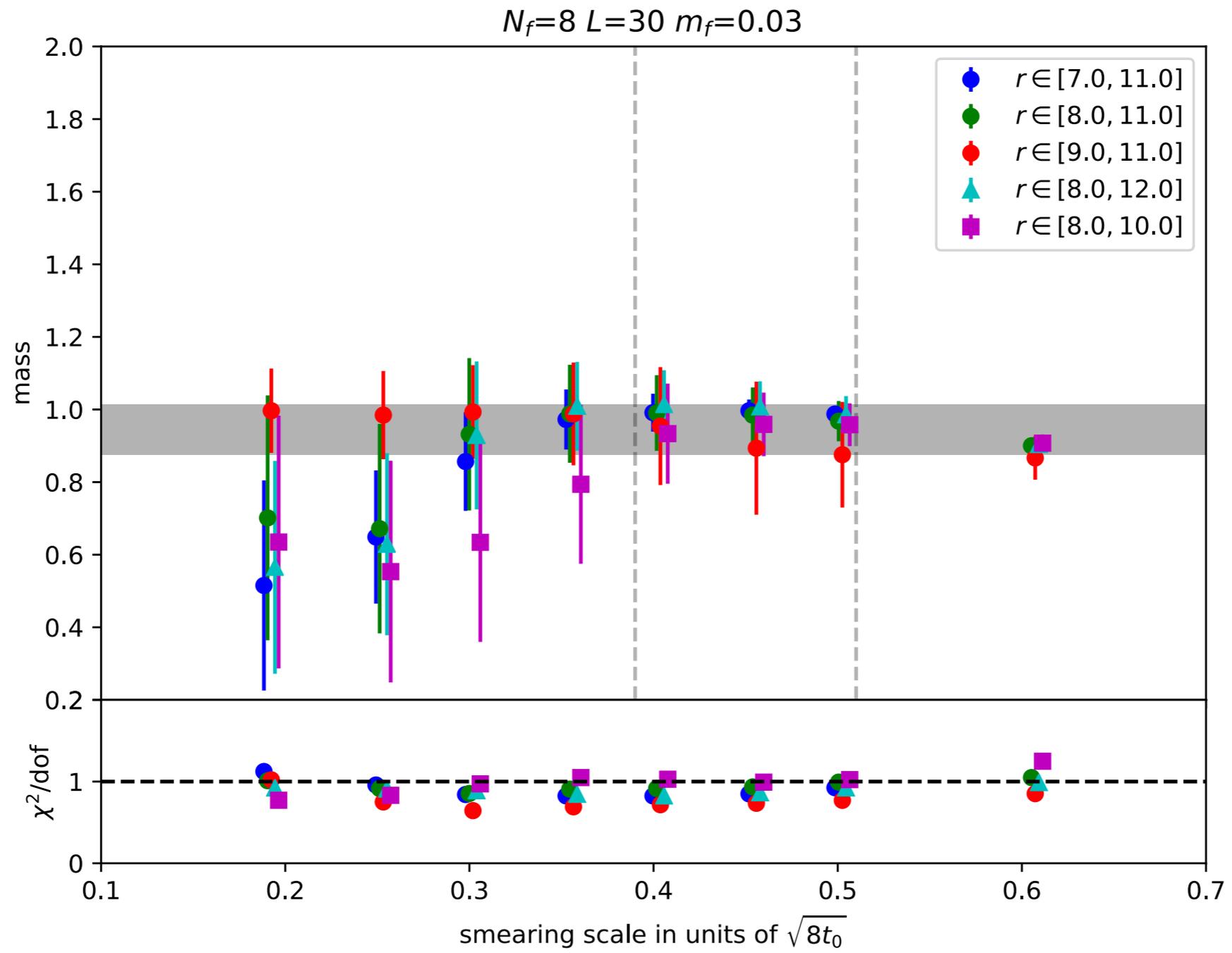


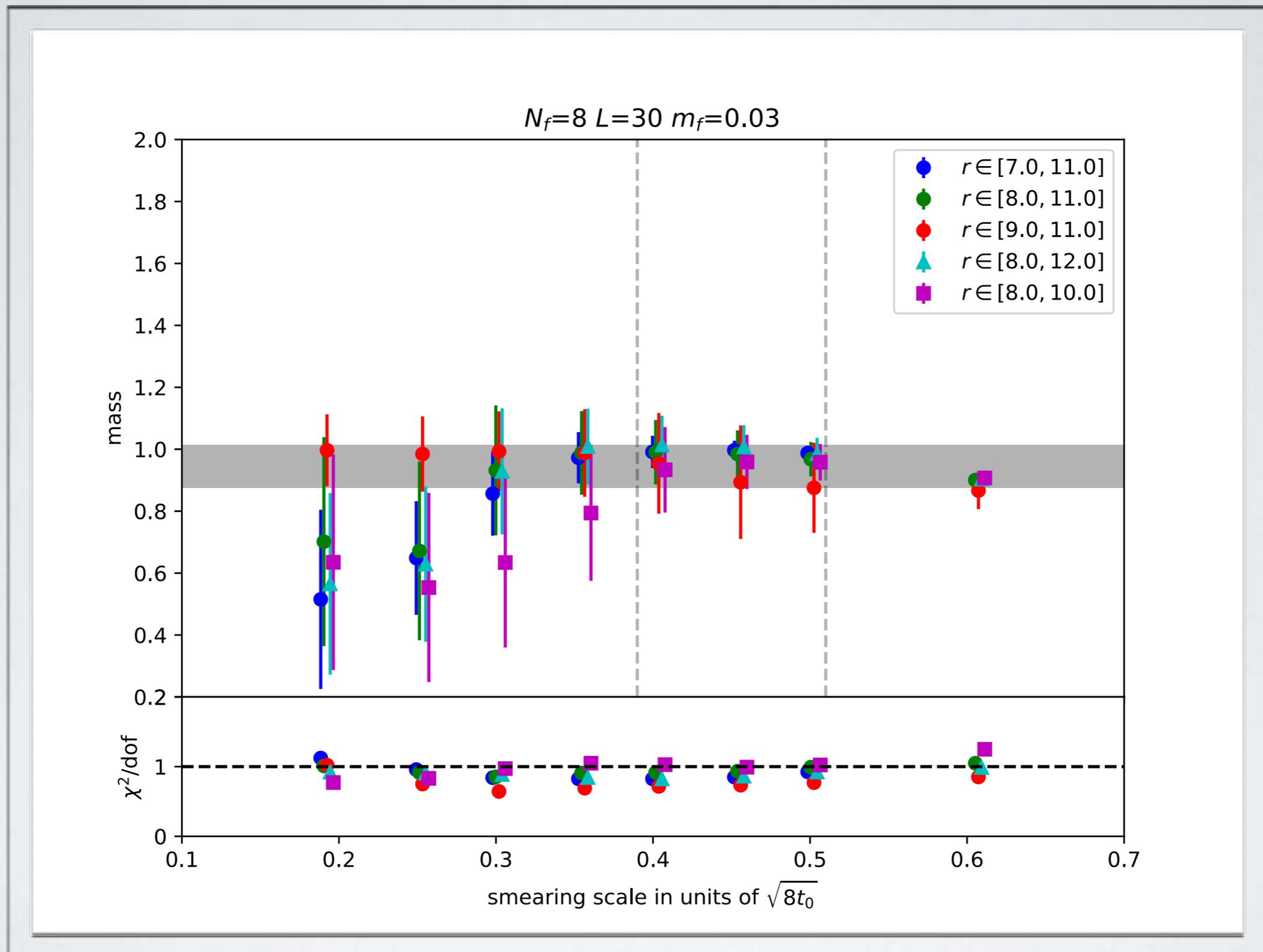




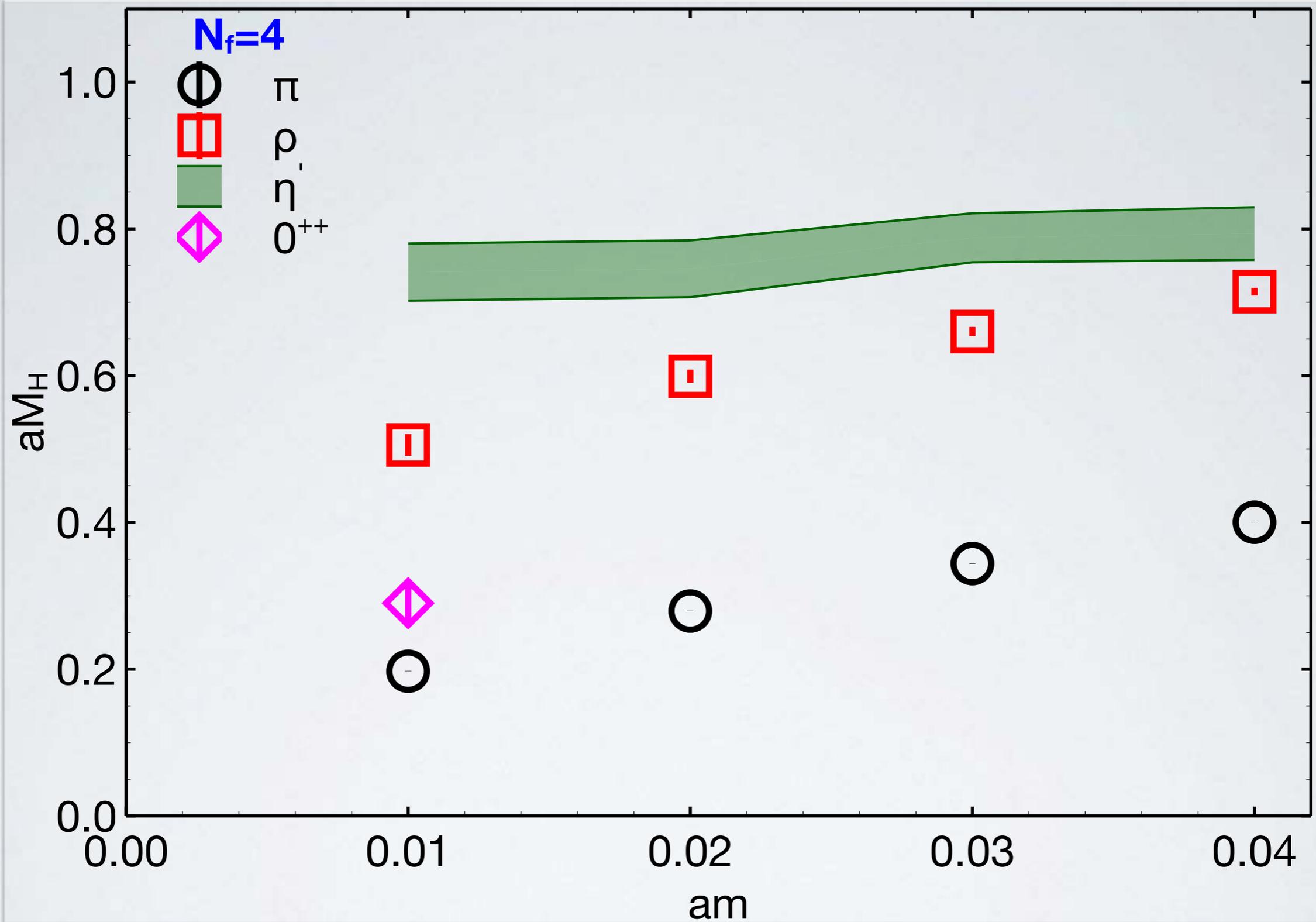






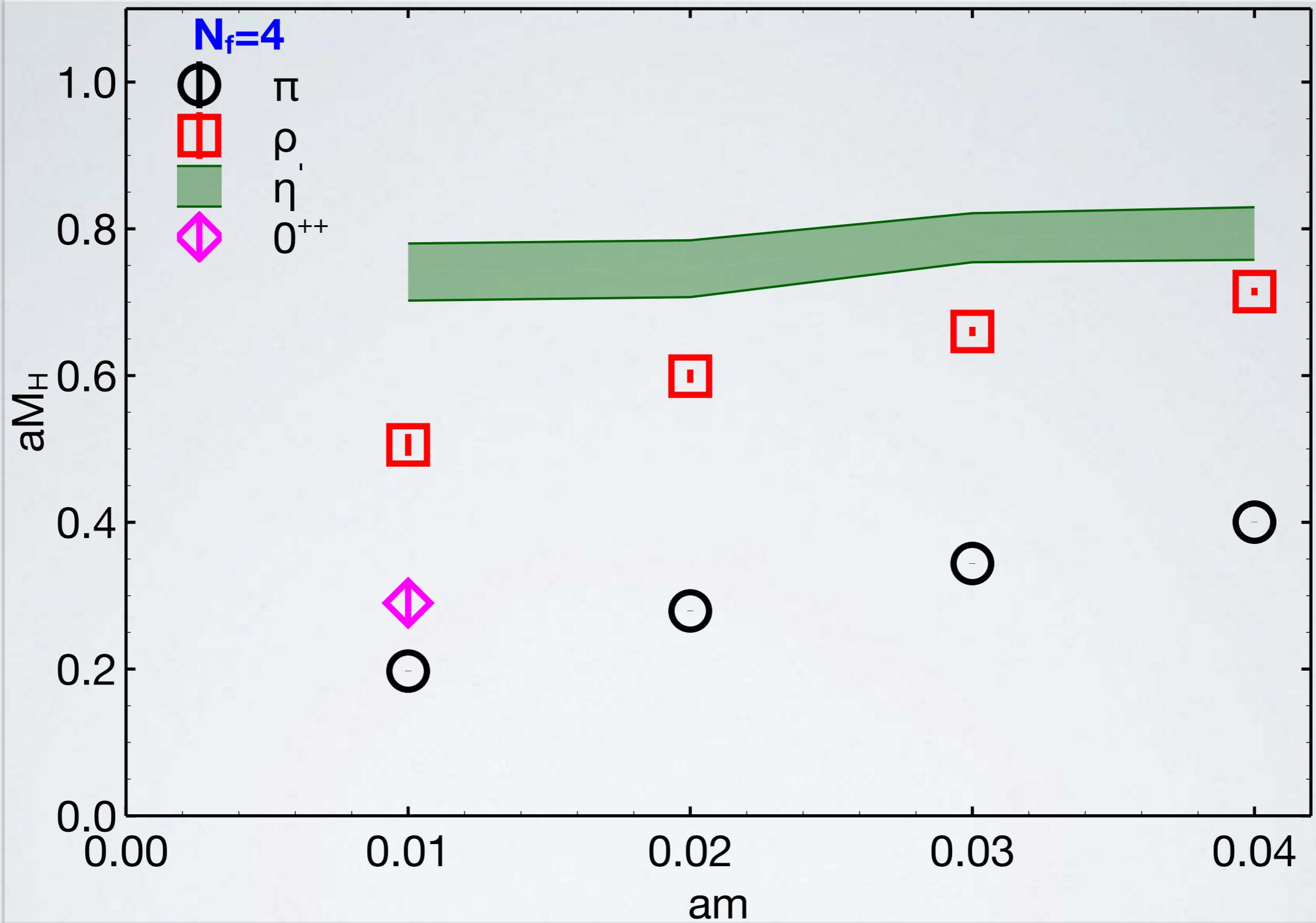


Error dominated by systematic uncertainty so far



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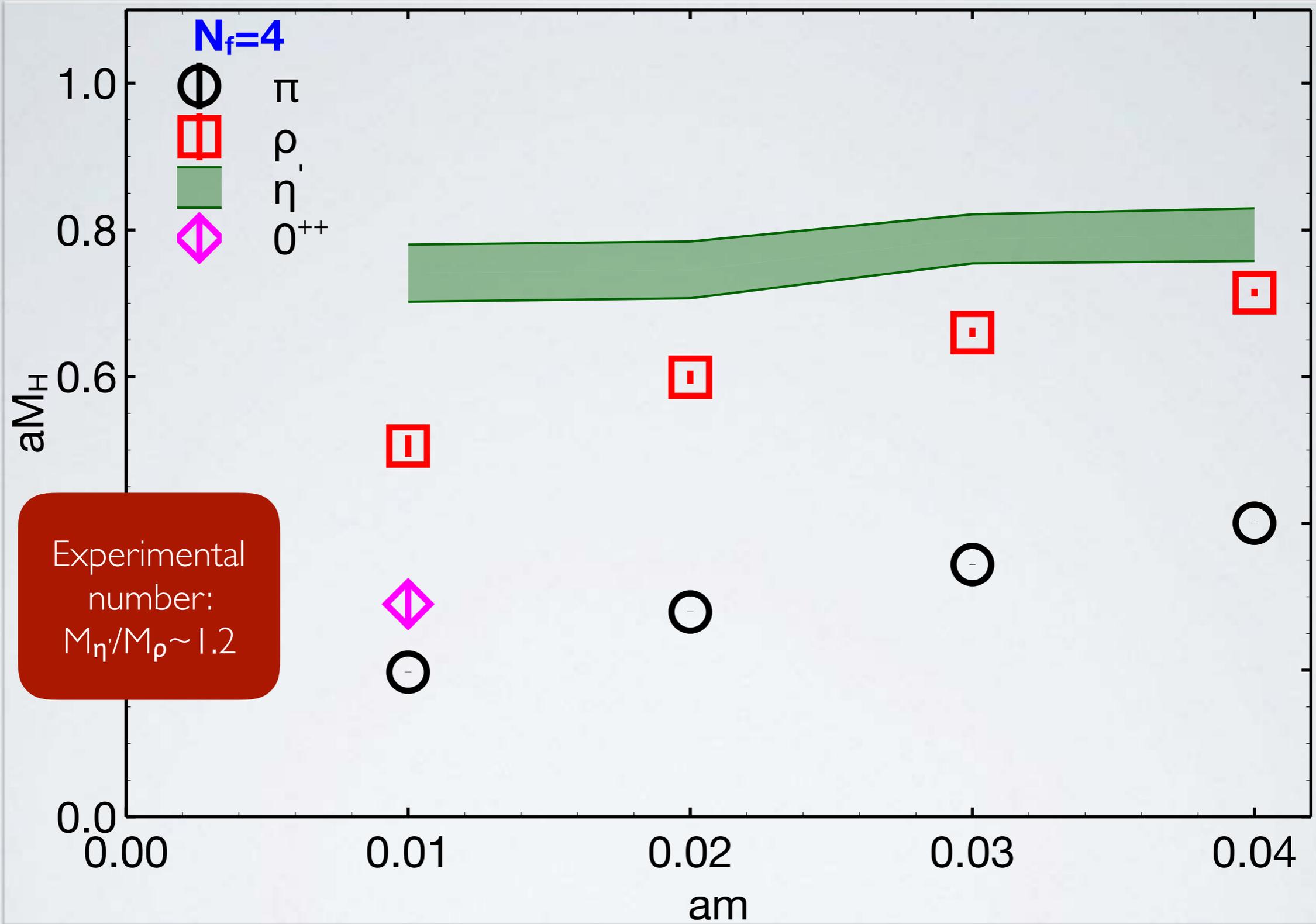
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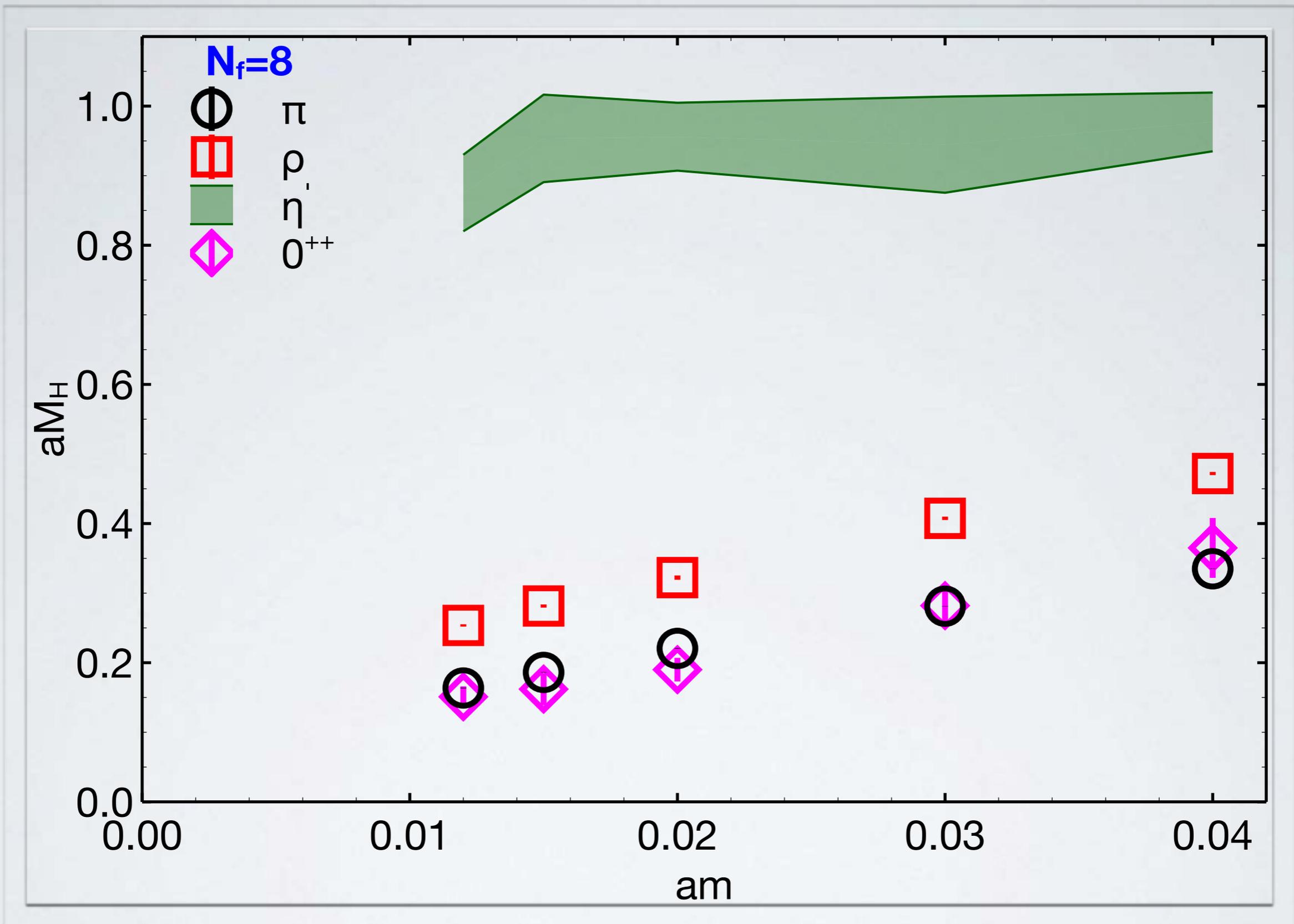
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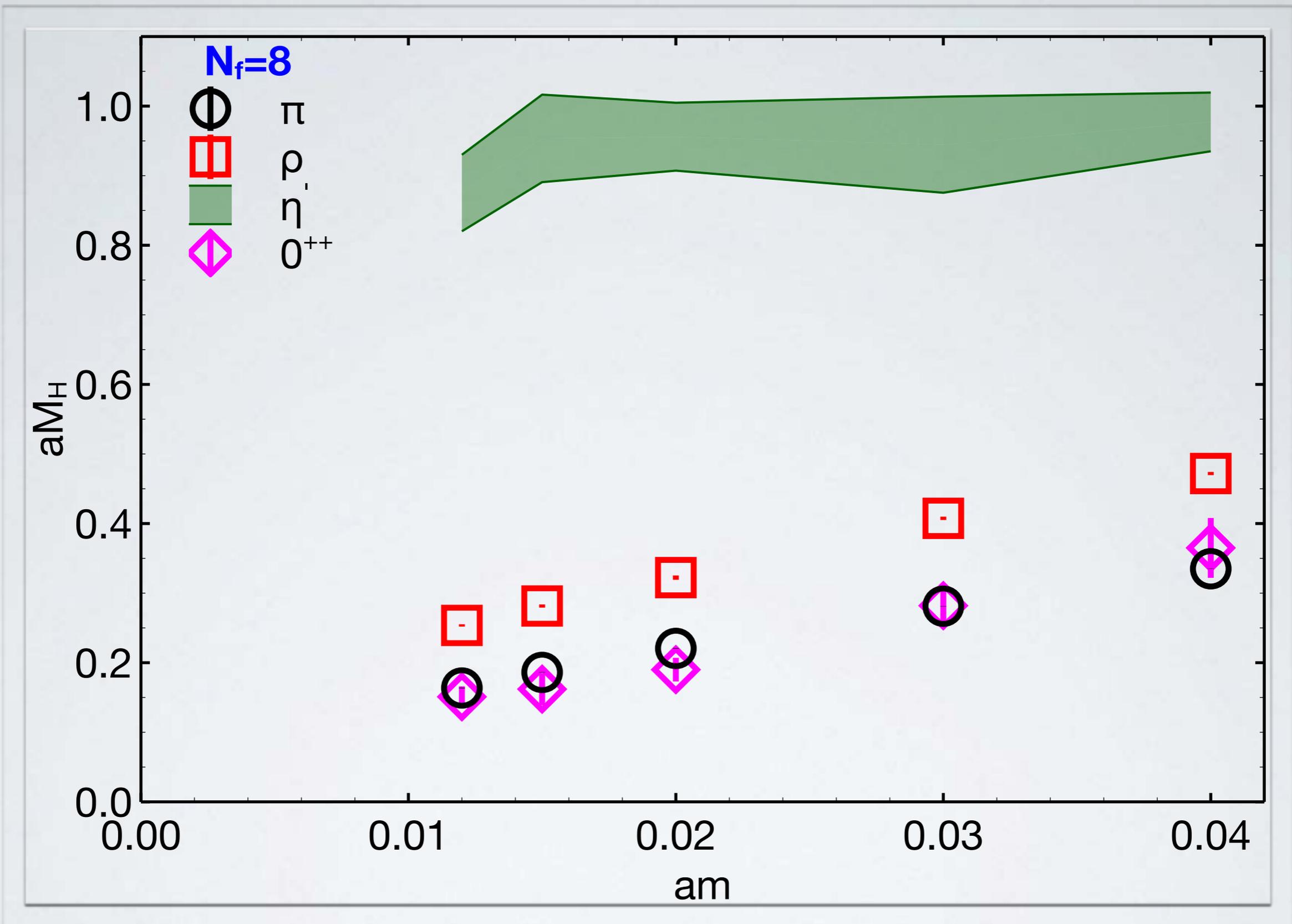
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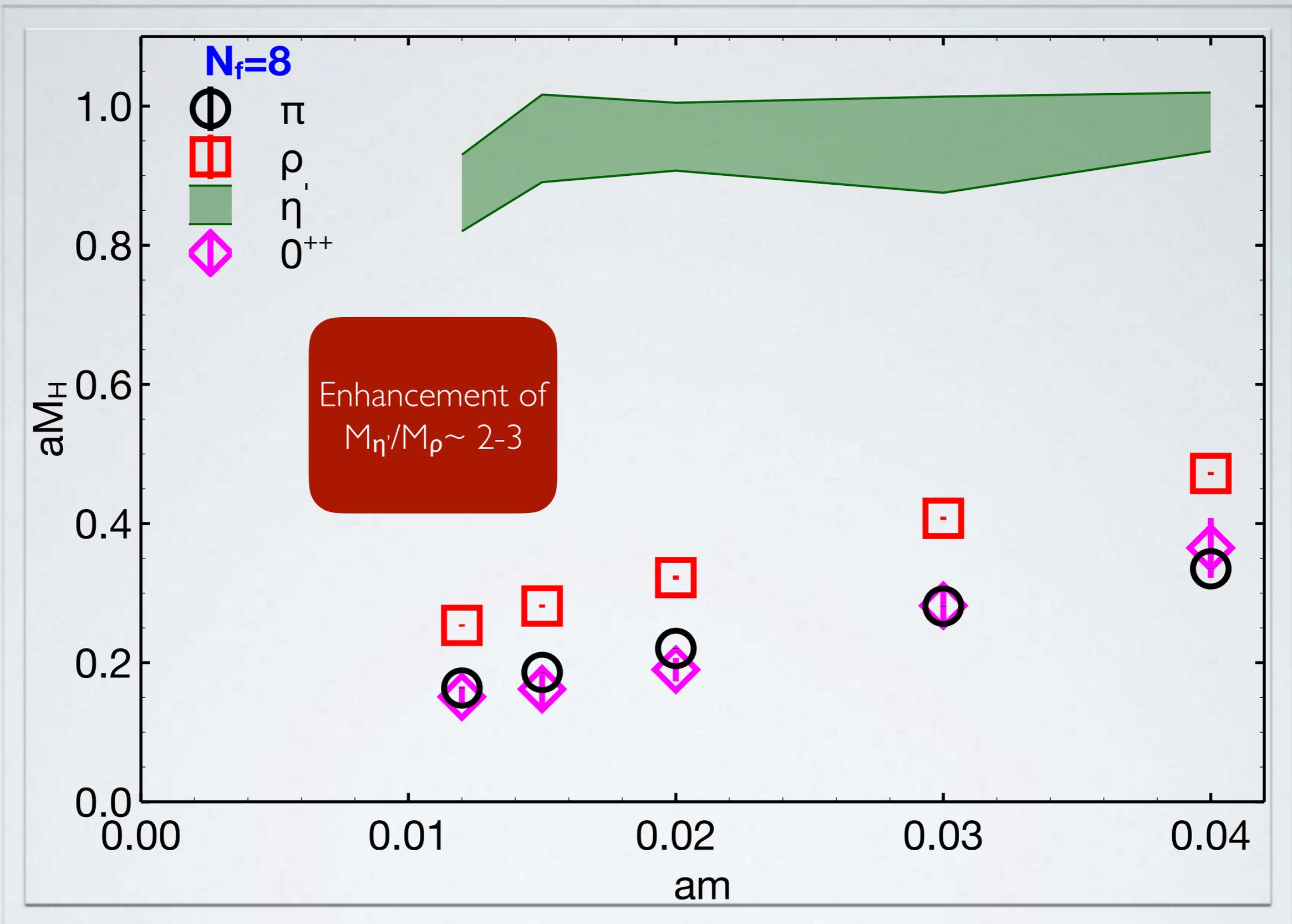
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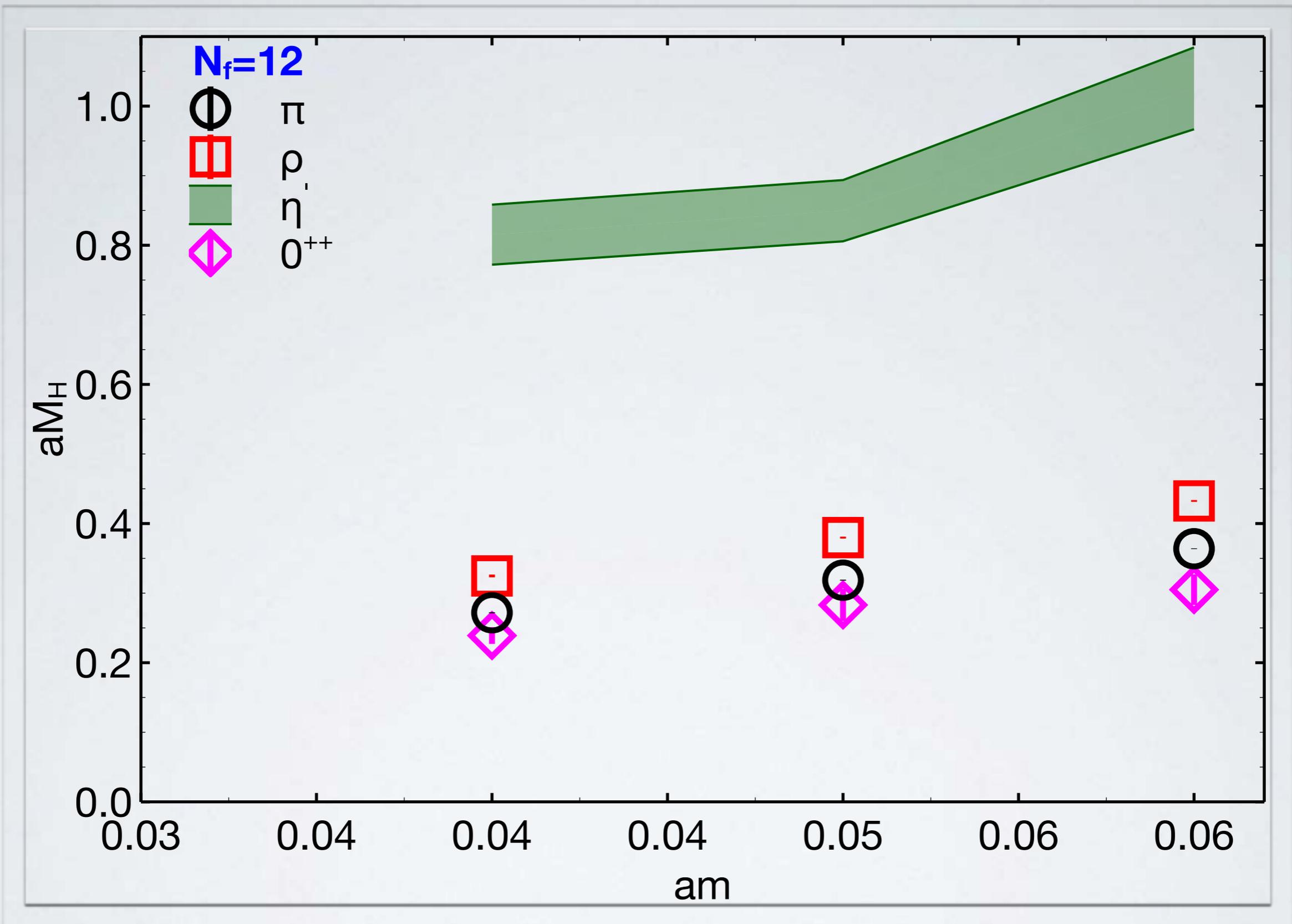
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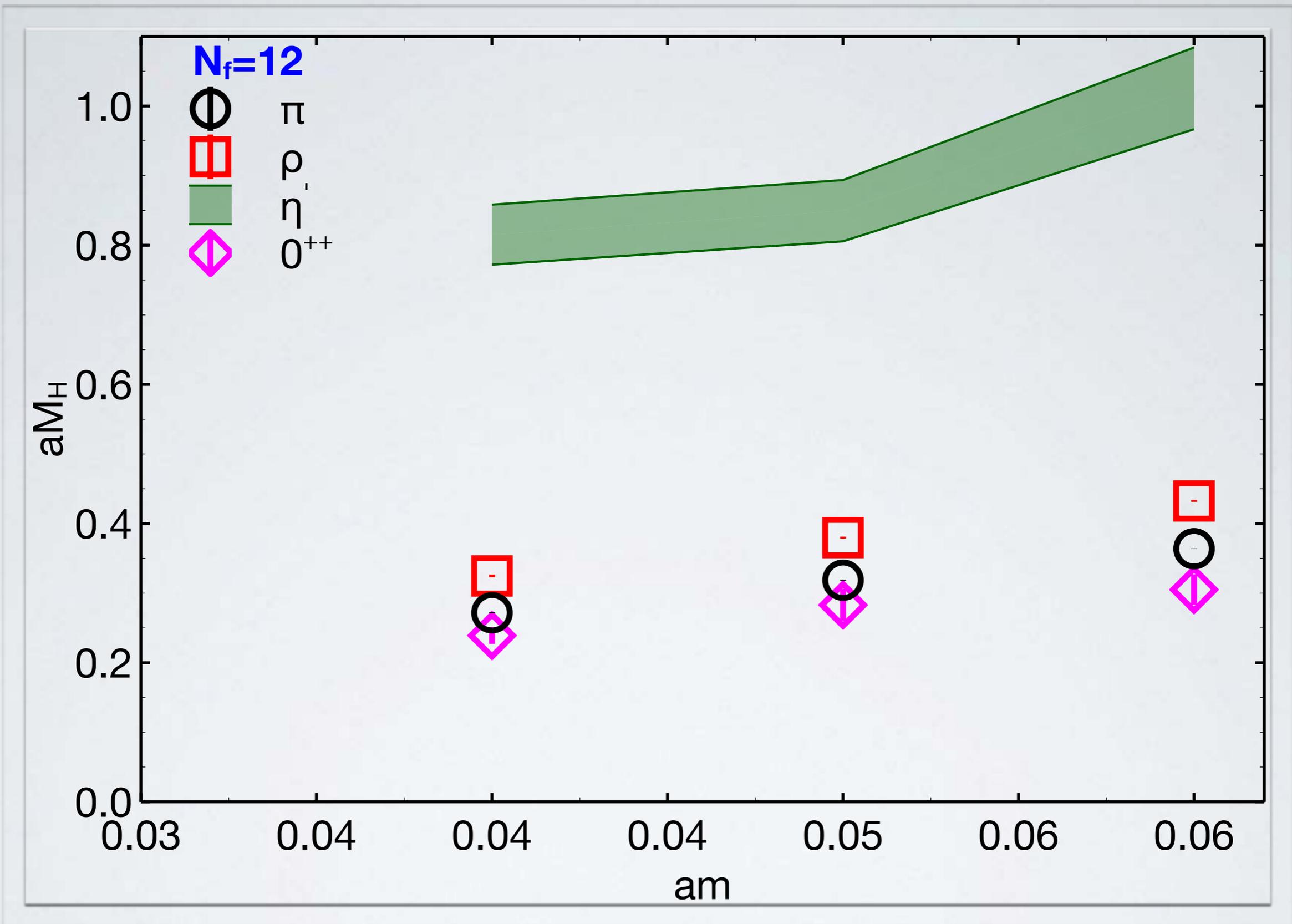
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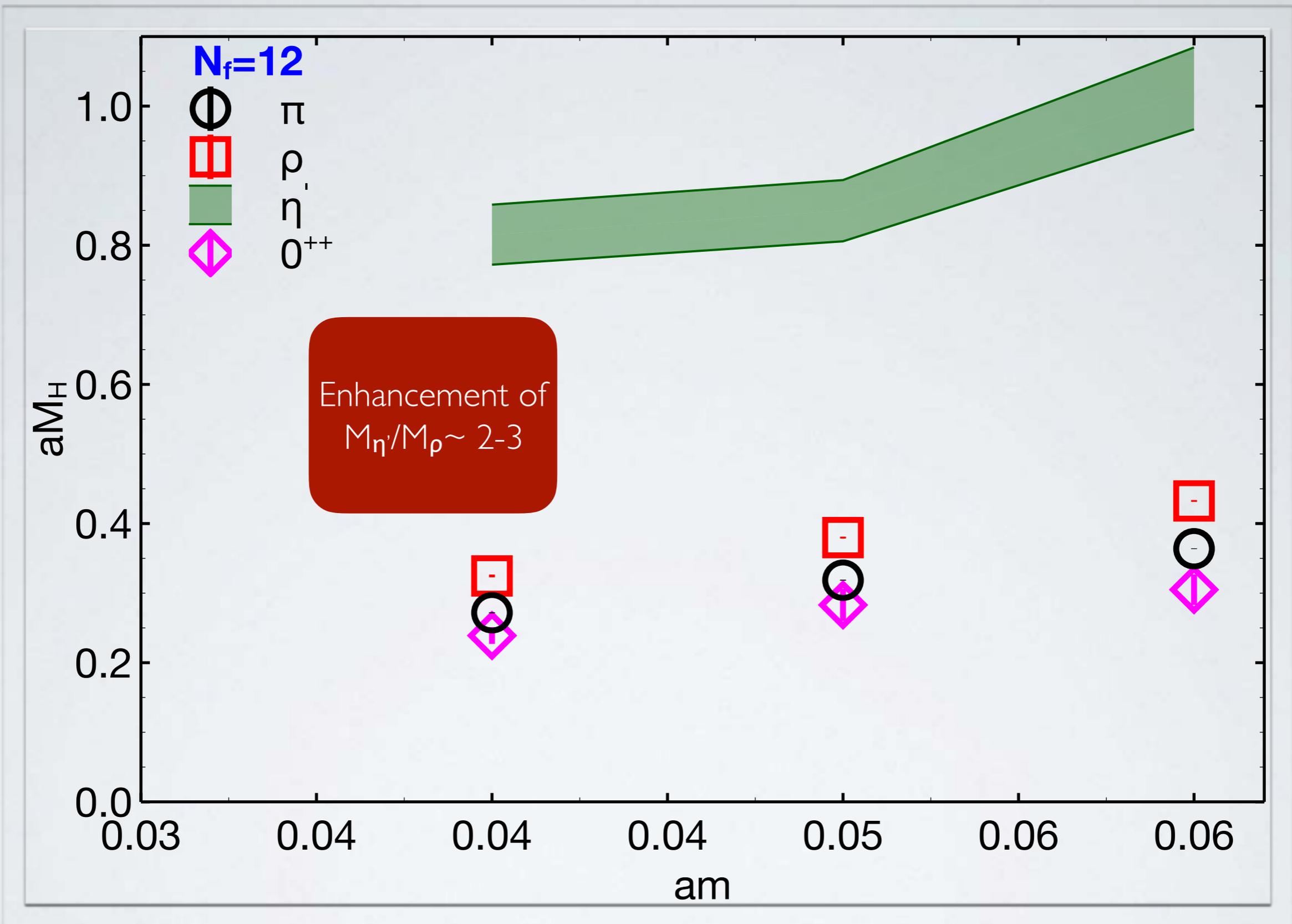
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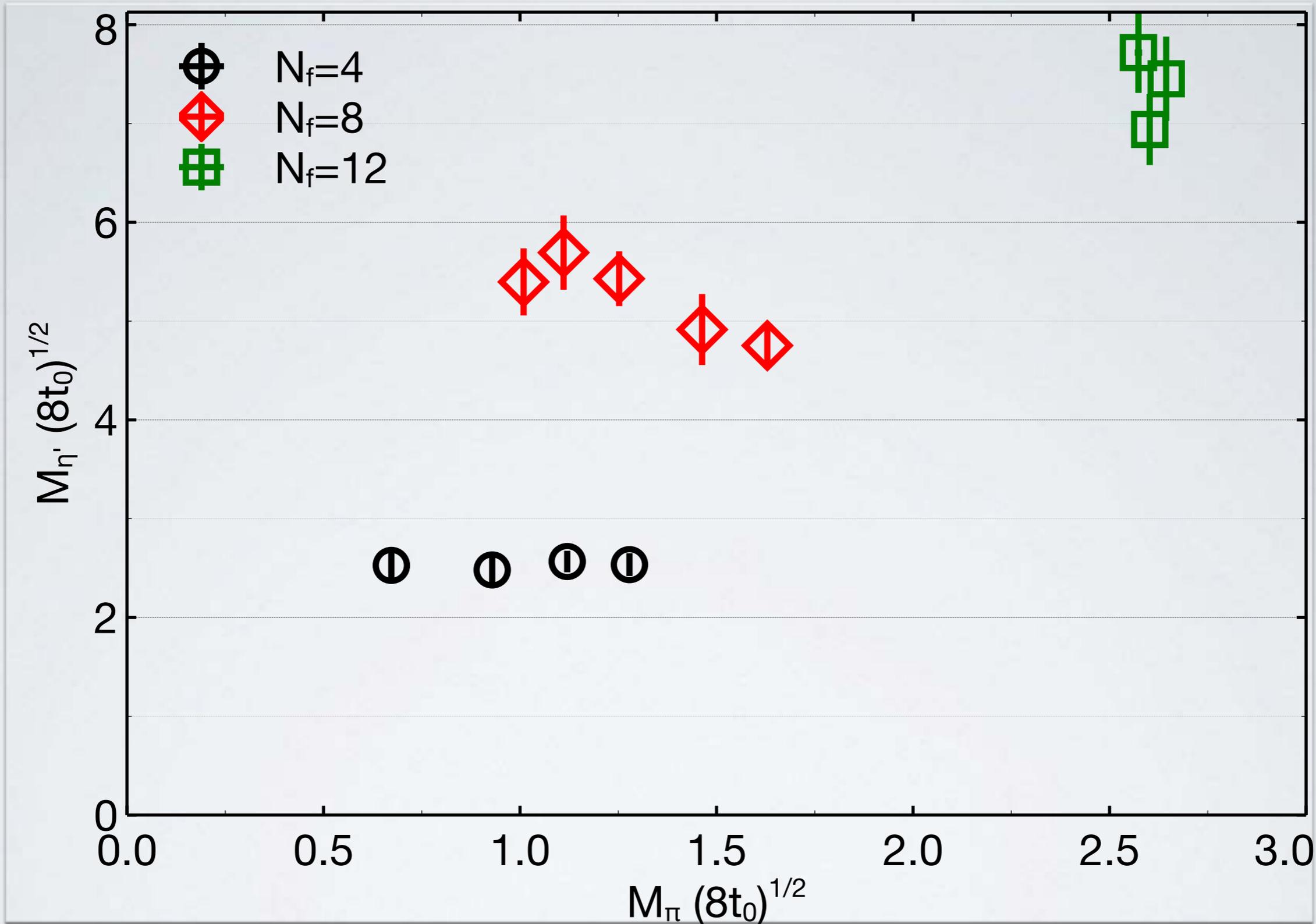
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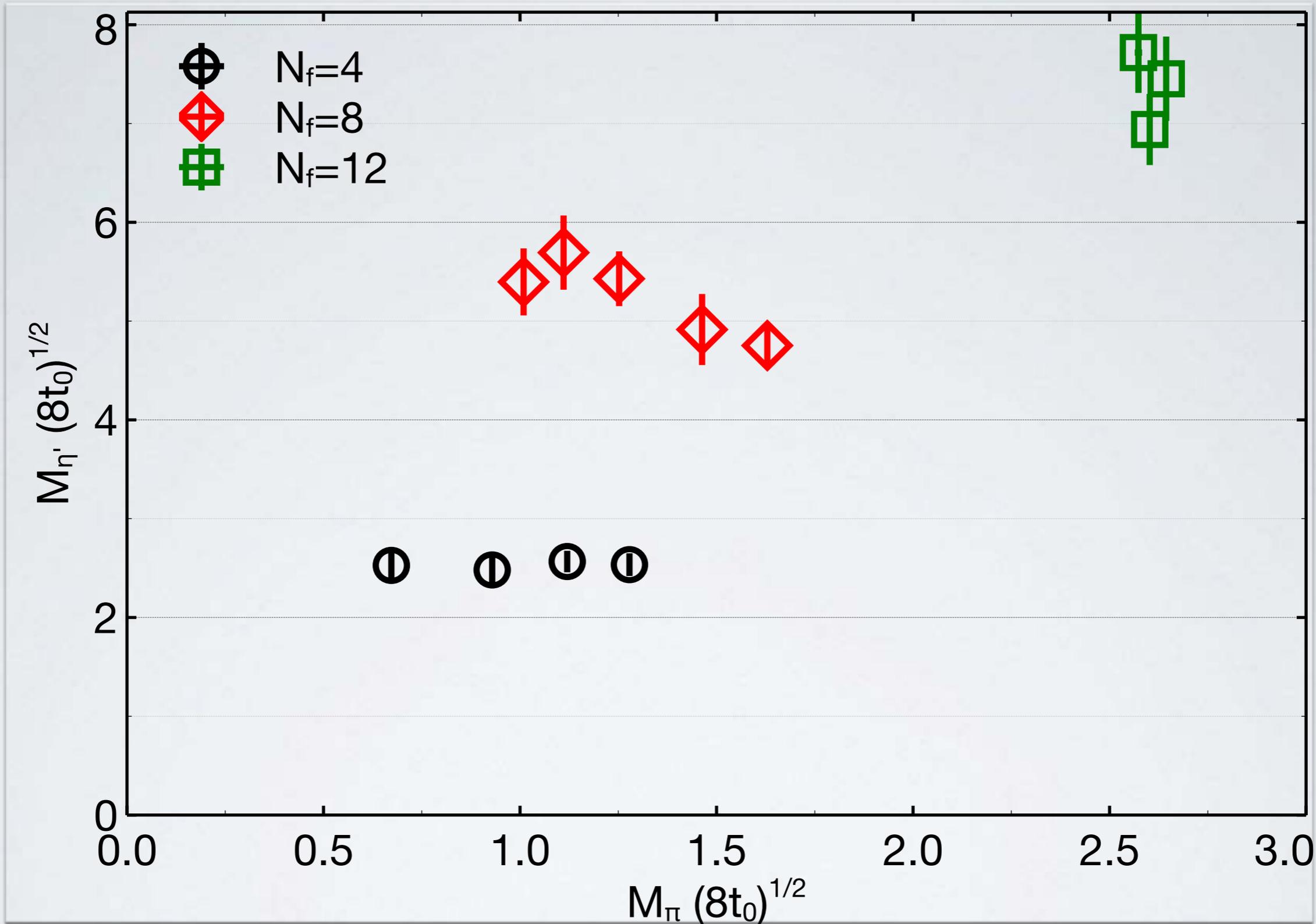
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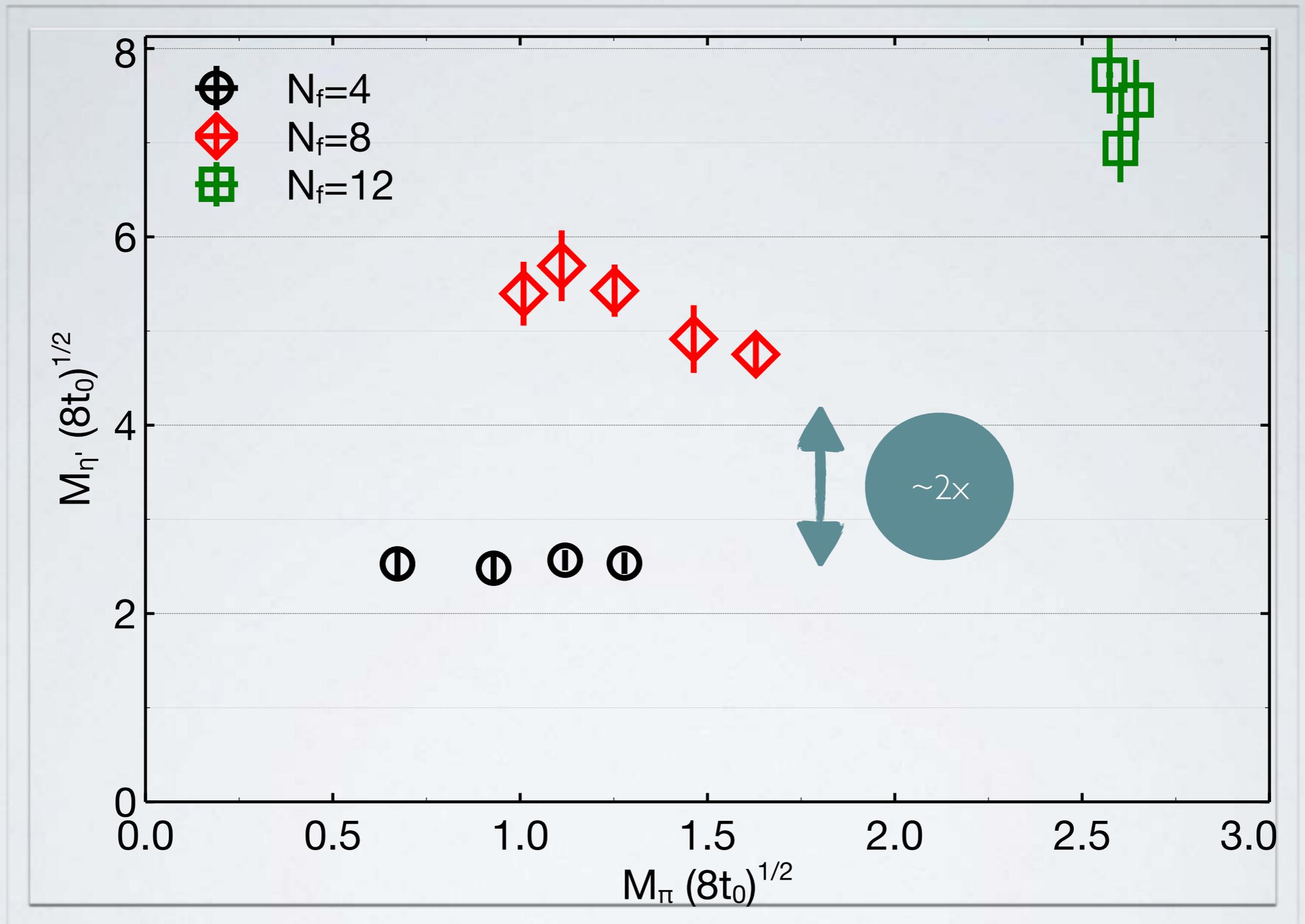
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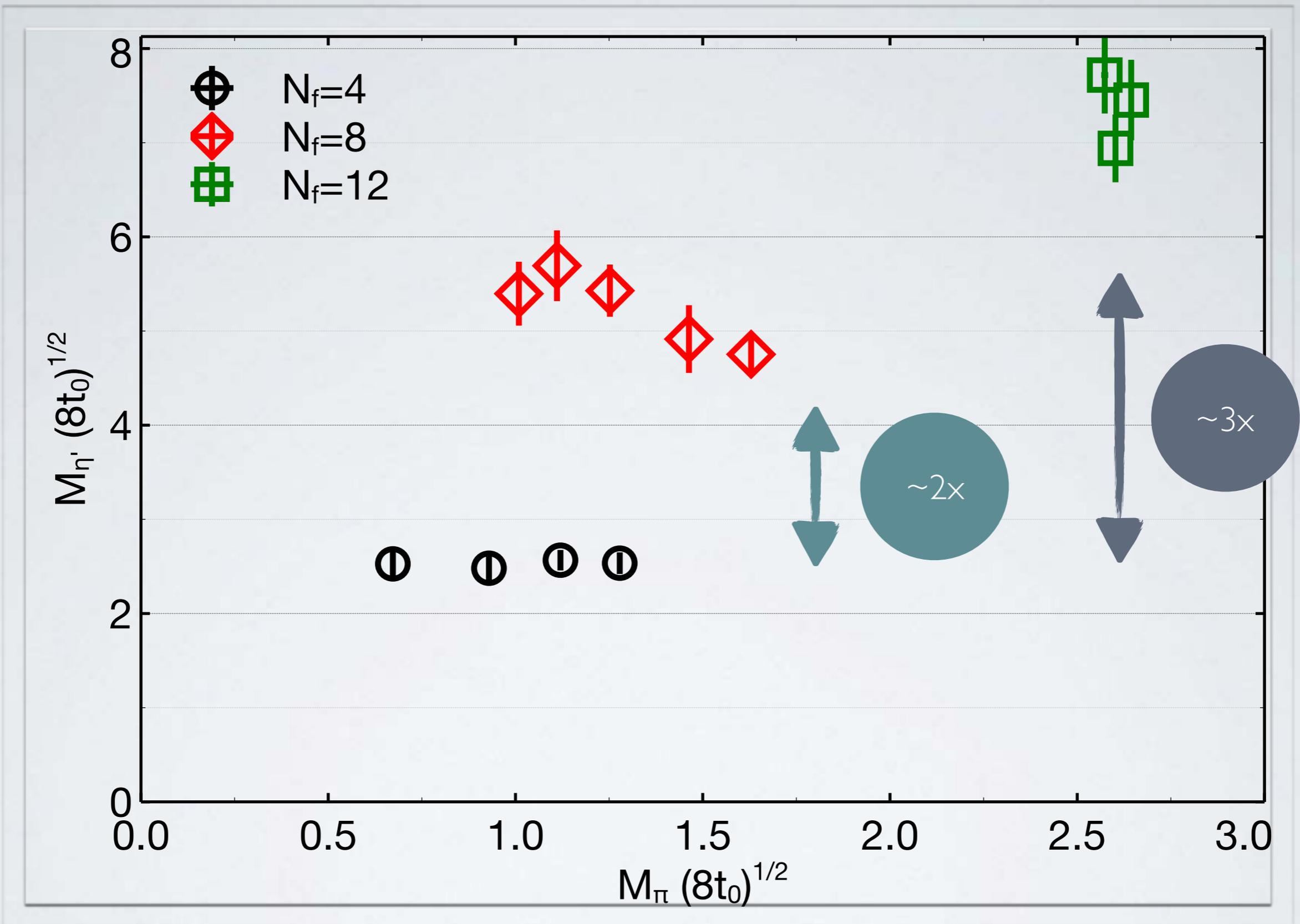
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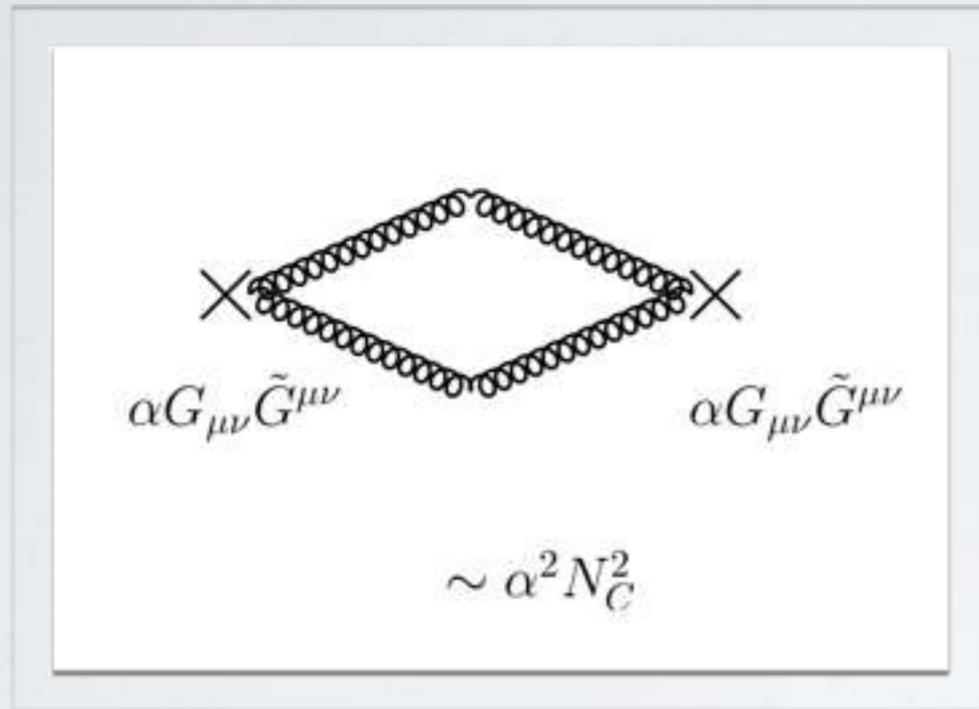
Caveat: infinite volume limit, continuum limit and chiral limit need to be worked on!

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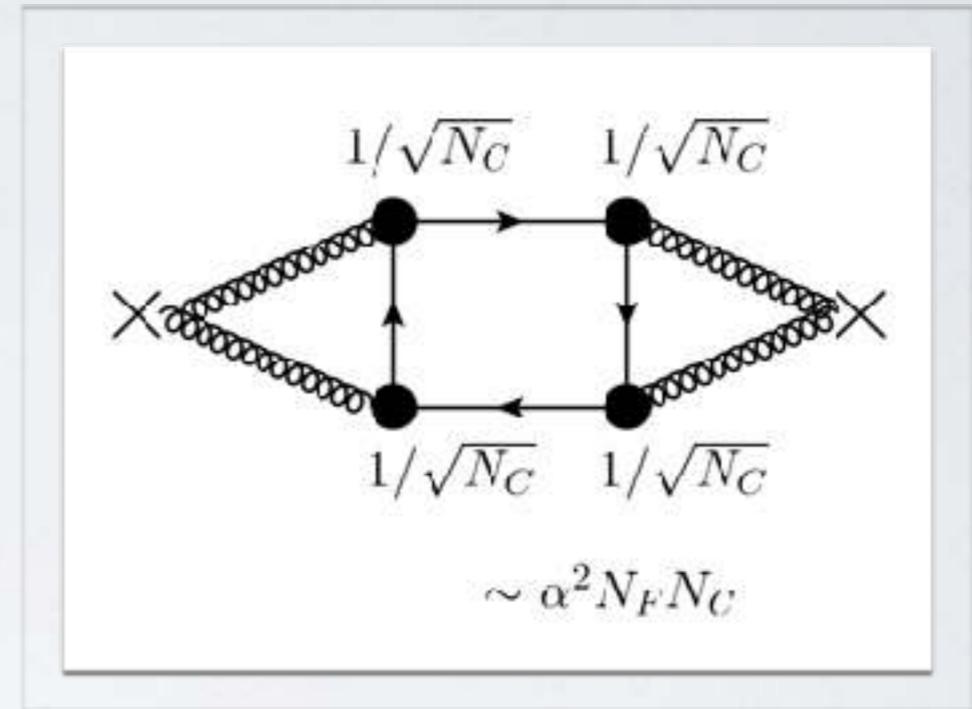
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WITTEN-VENEZIANO



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fermion loop

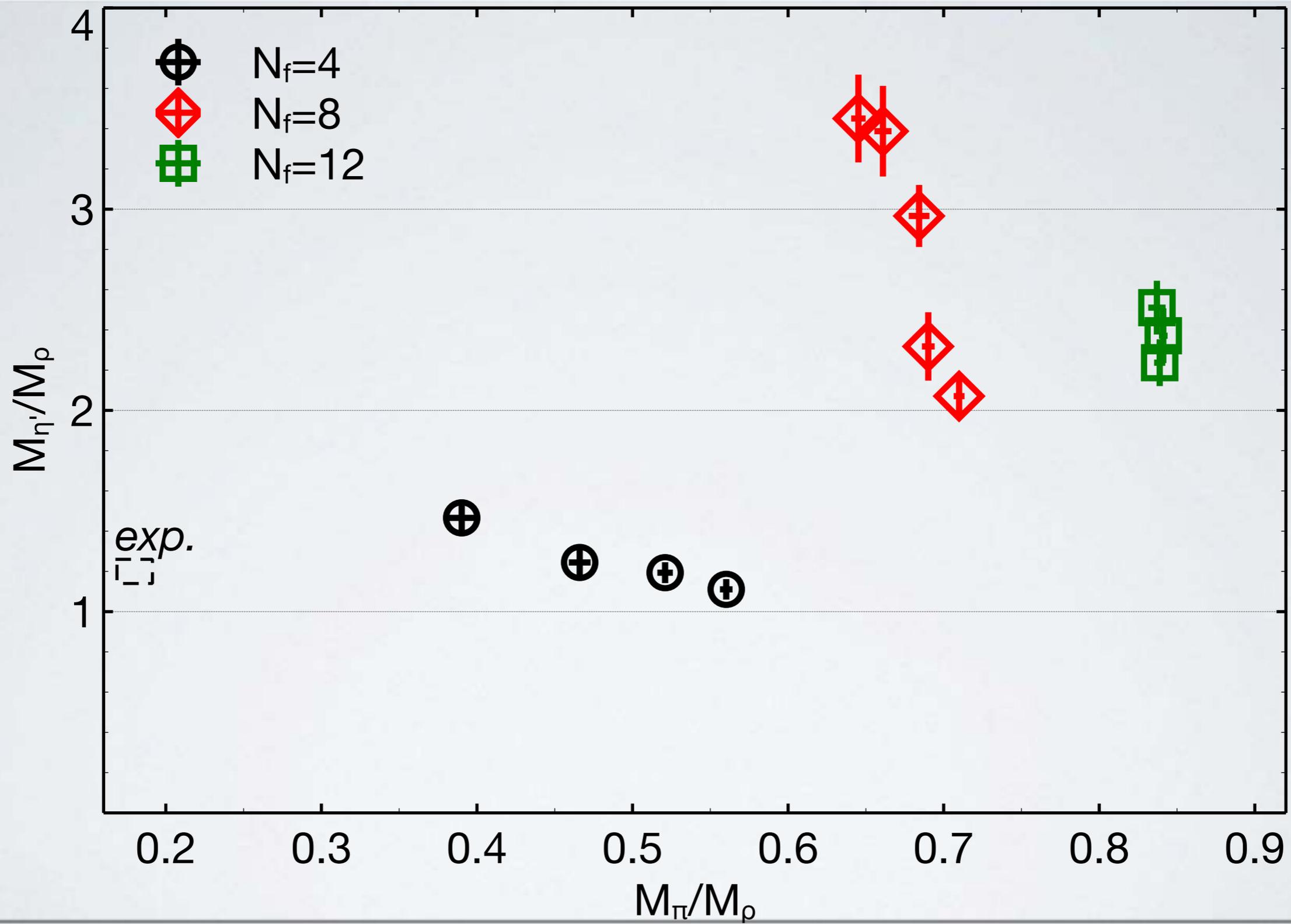
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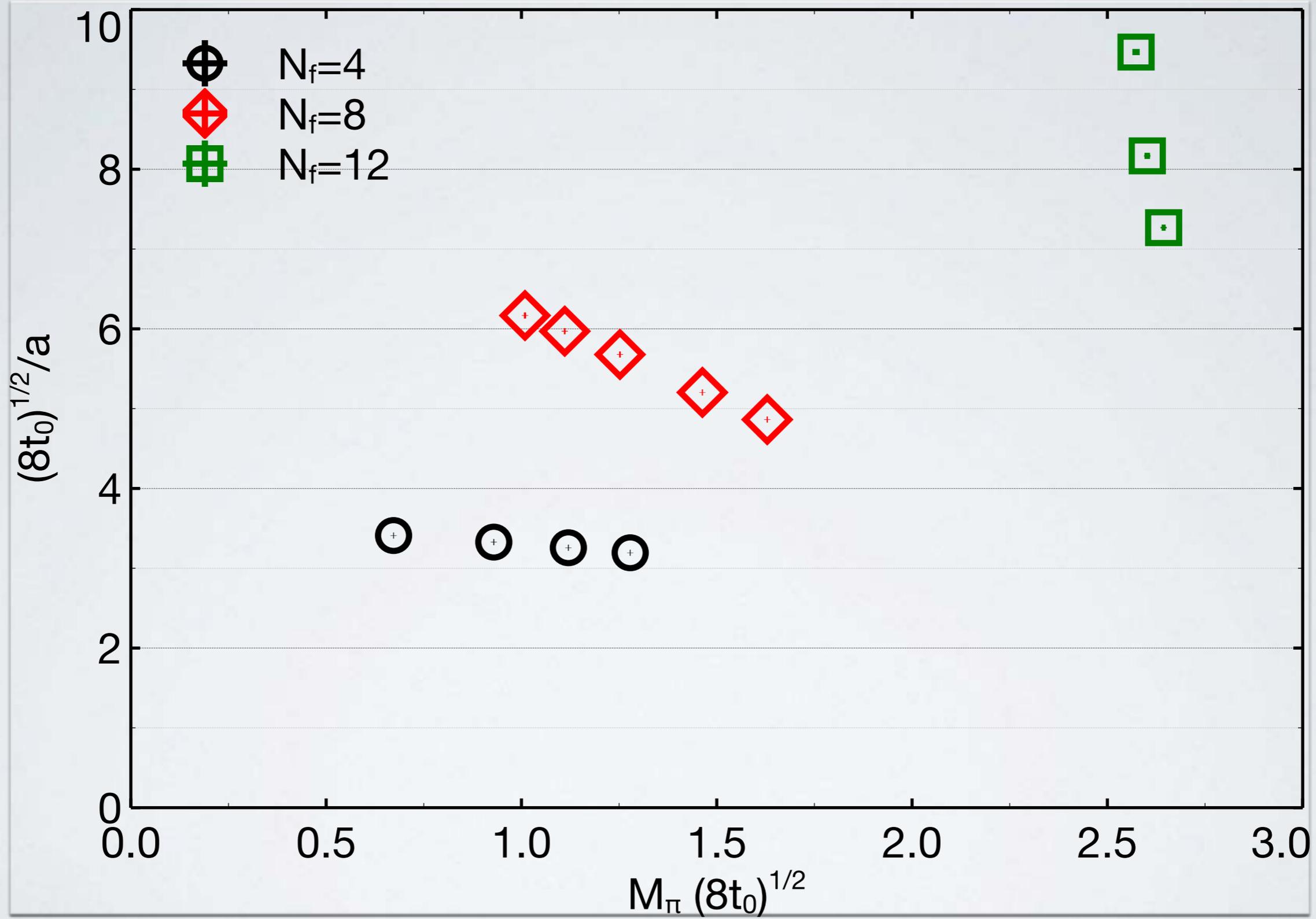
$$\frac{N_f}{N_c} \ll 1$$

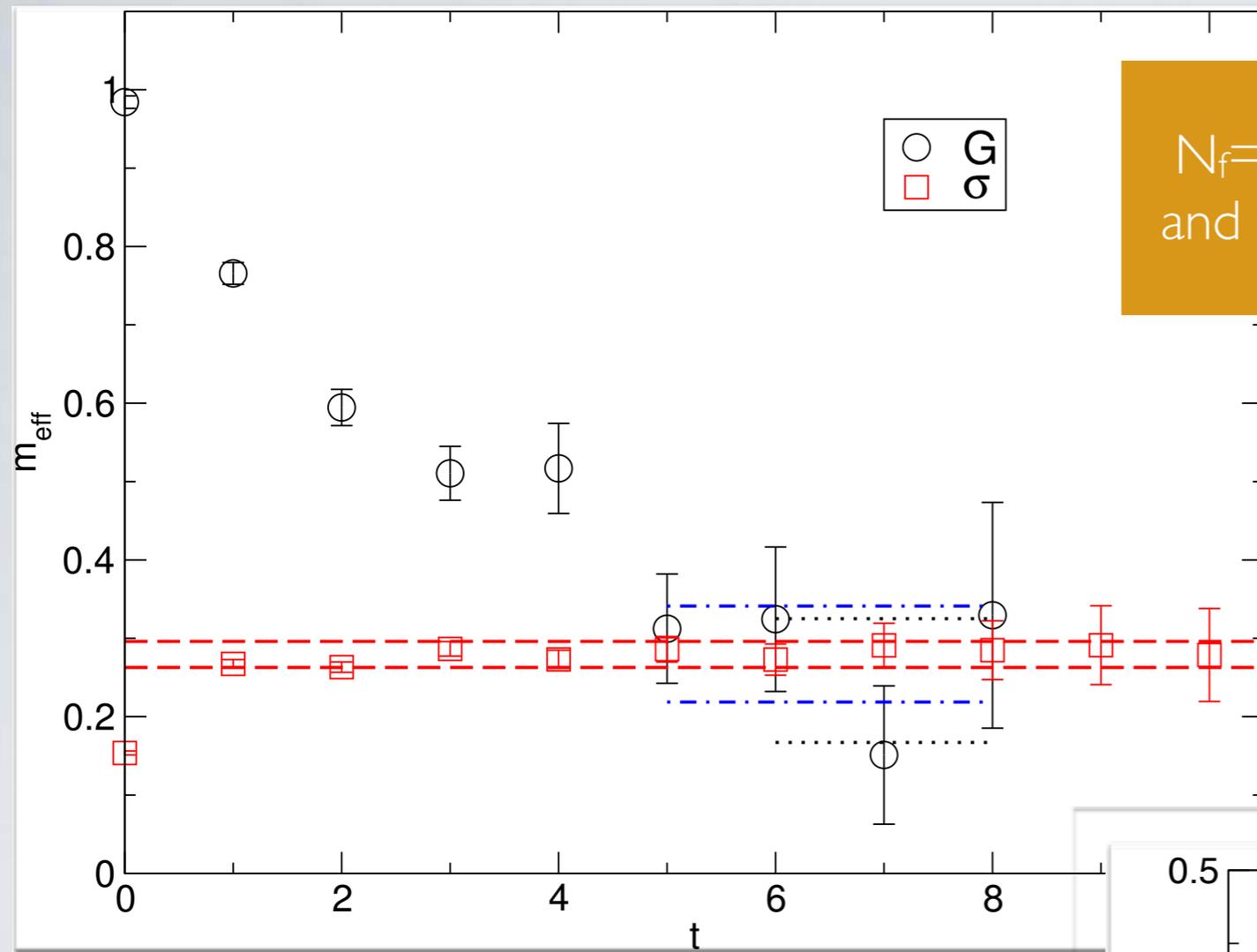
$$\lambda = N_c g^2 = \text{fixed} \quad N_c \rightarrow \infty$$

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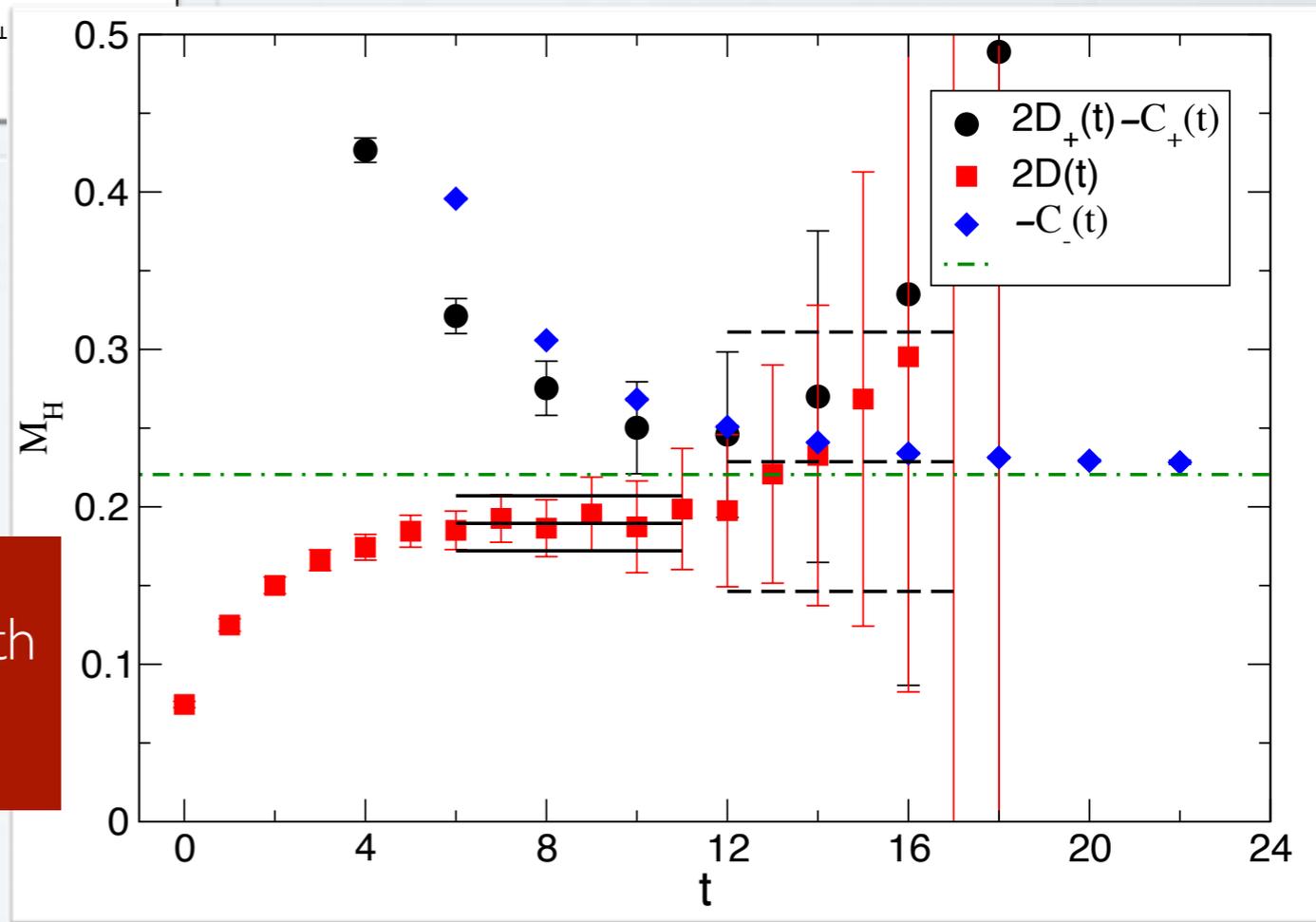


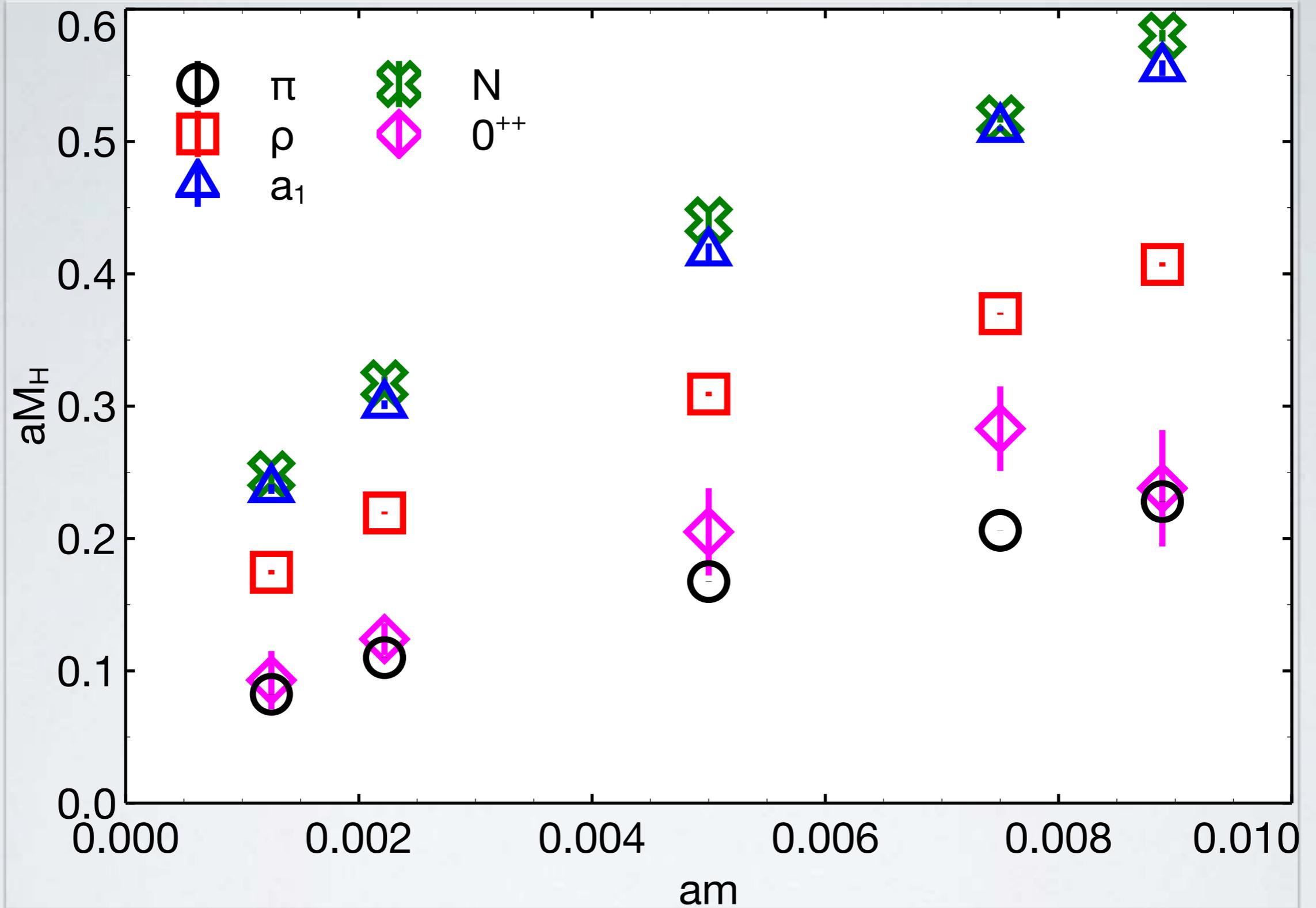
$N_f=12$ comparison between gluonic and fermionic interpolating operators

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$N_f=8$ estimating systematic errors with fermionic interpolating operators

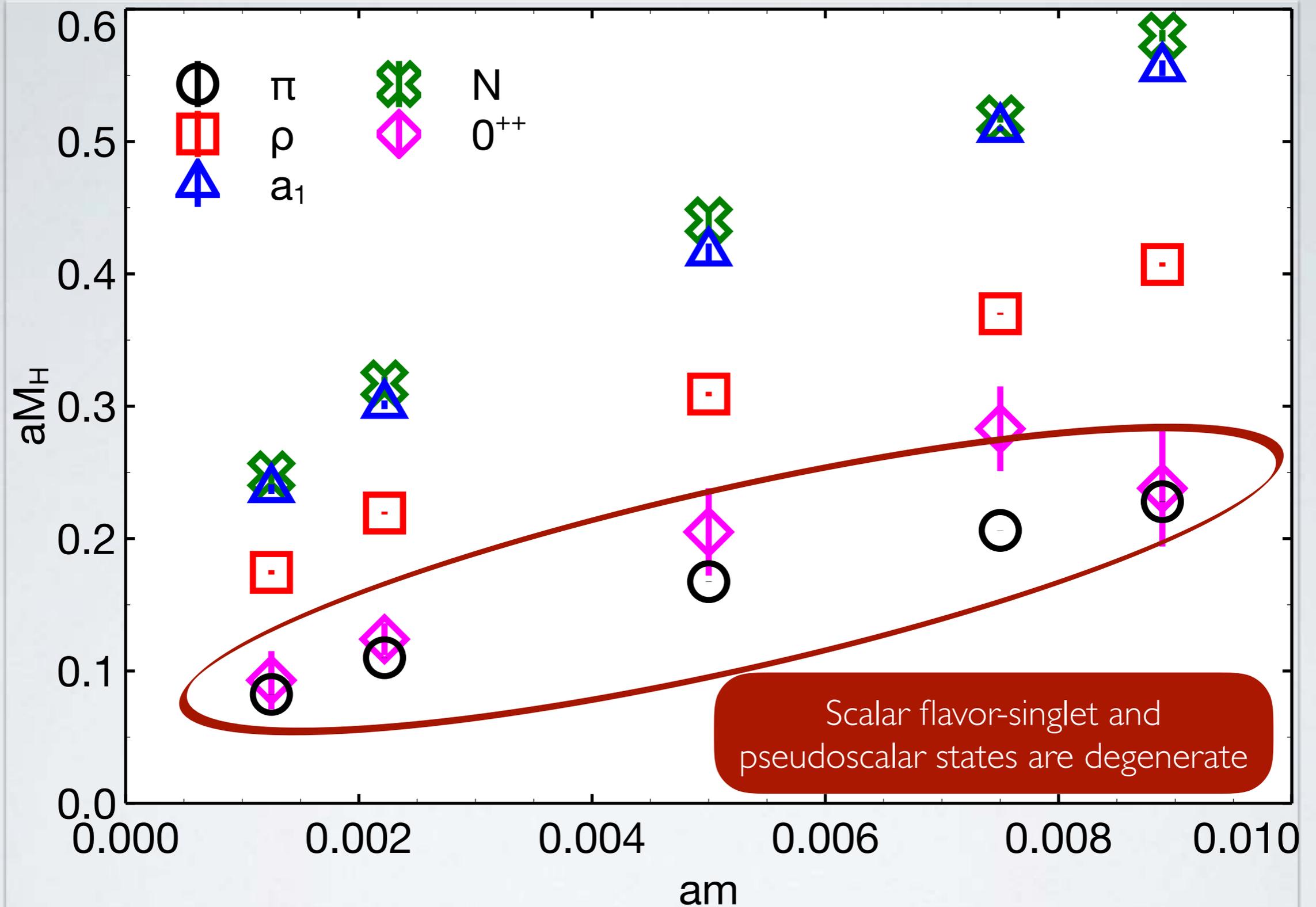
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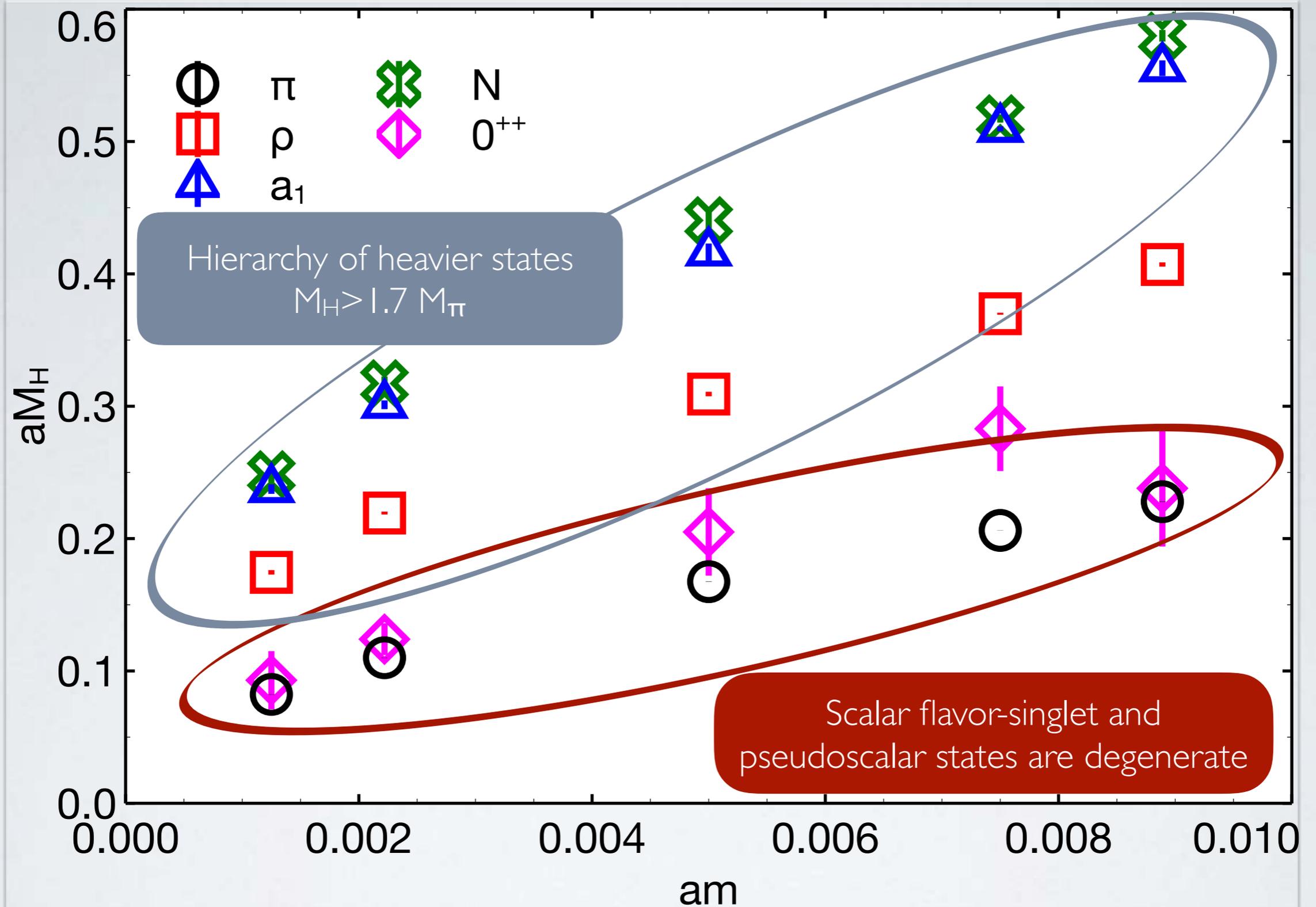
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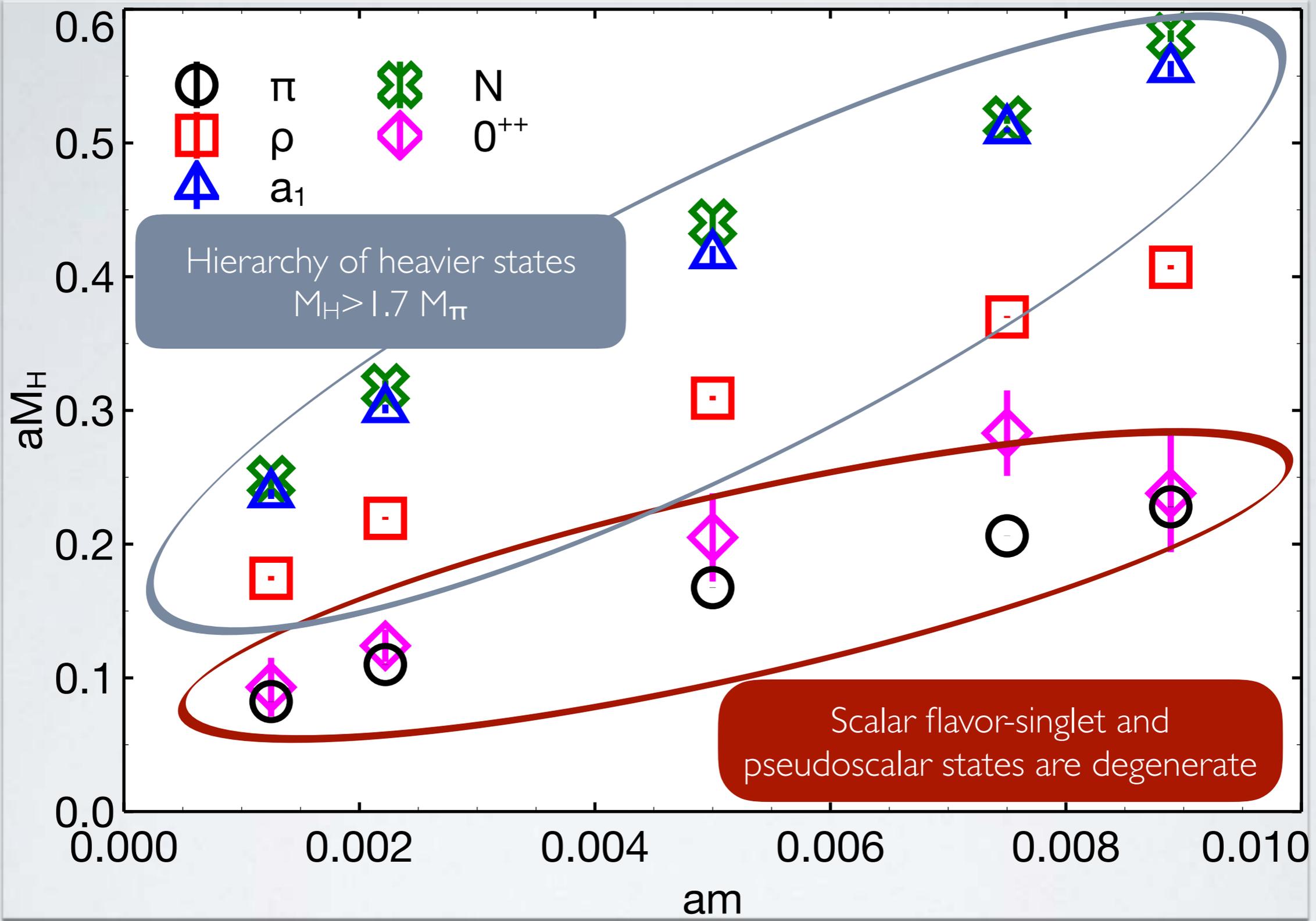
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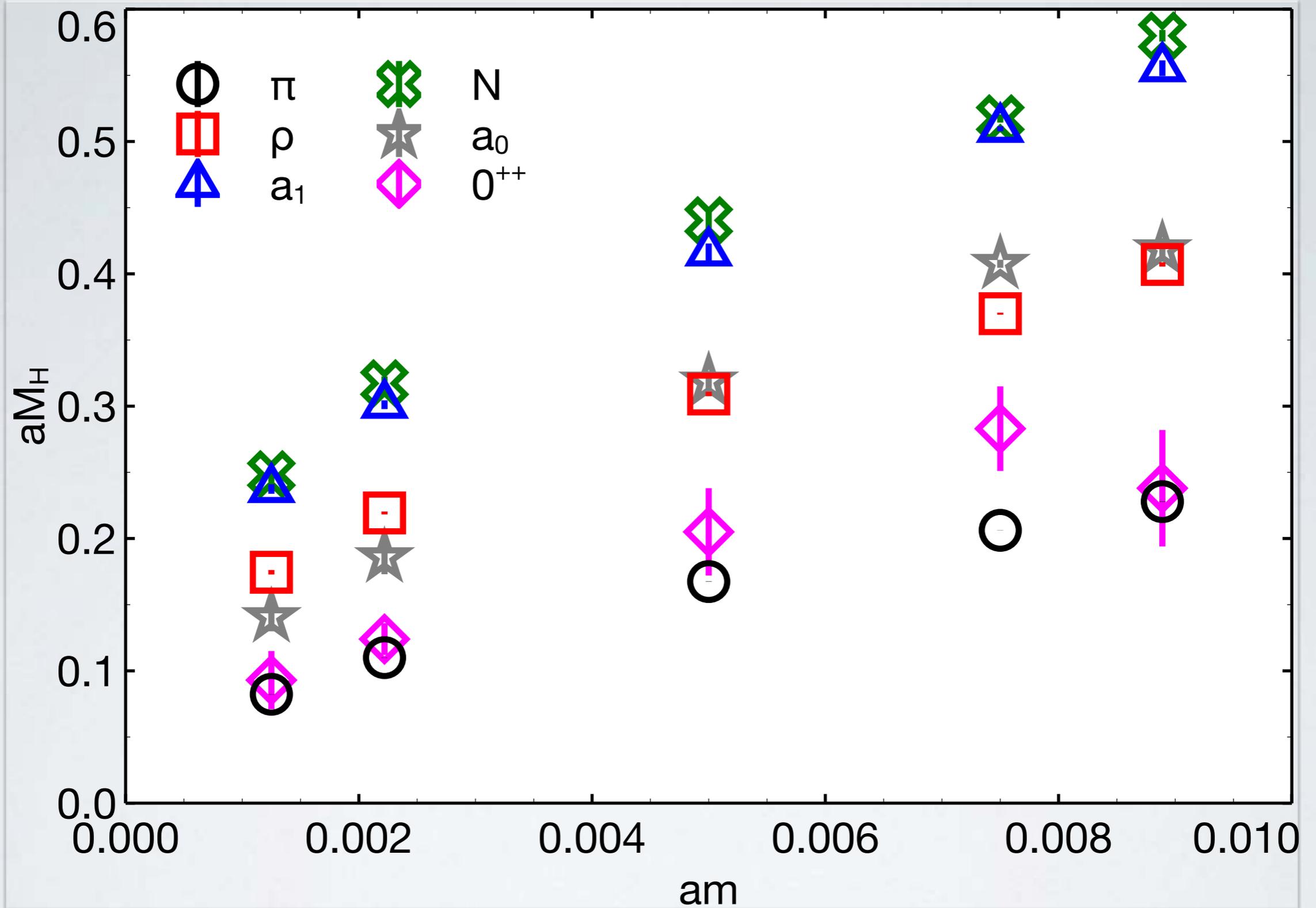
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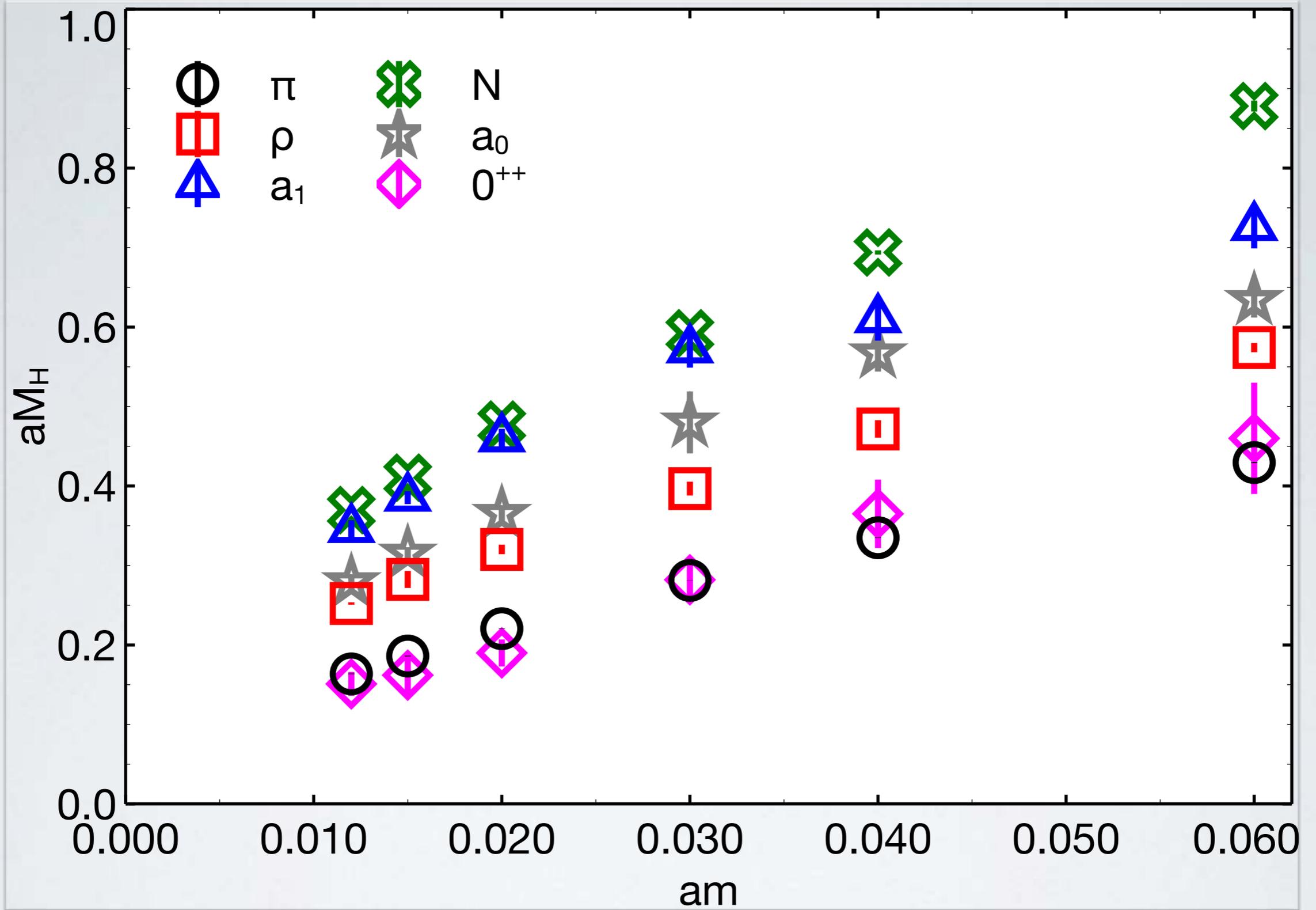


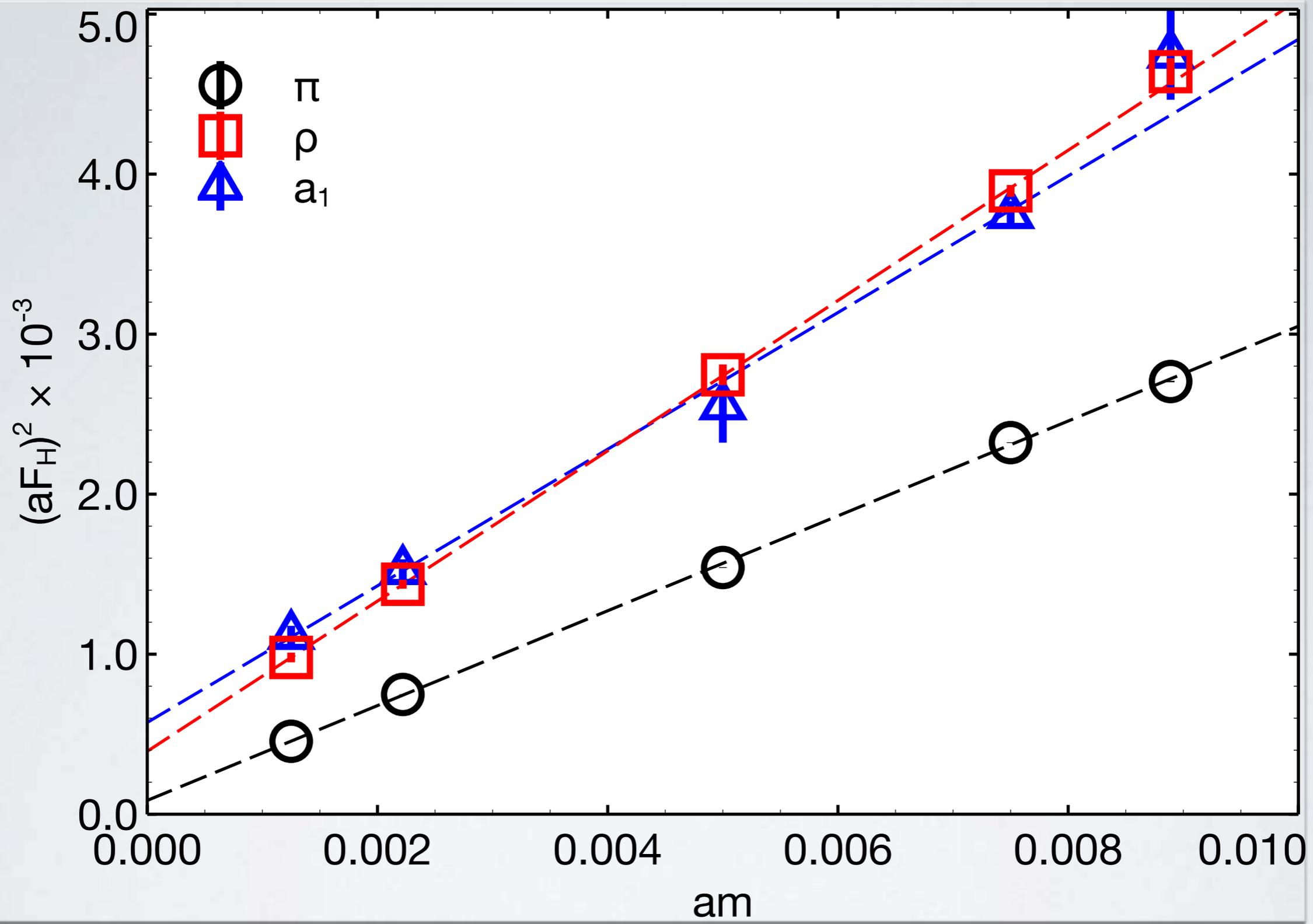
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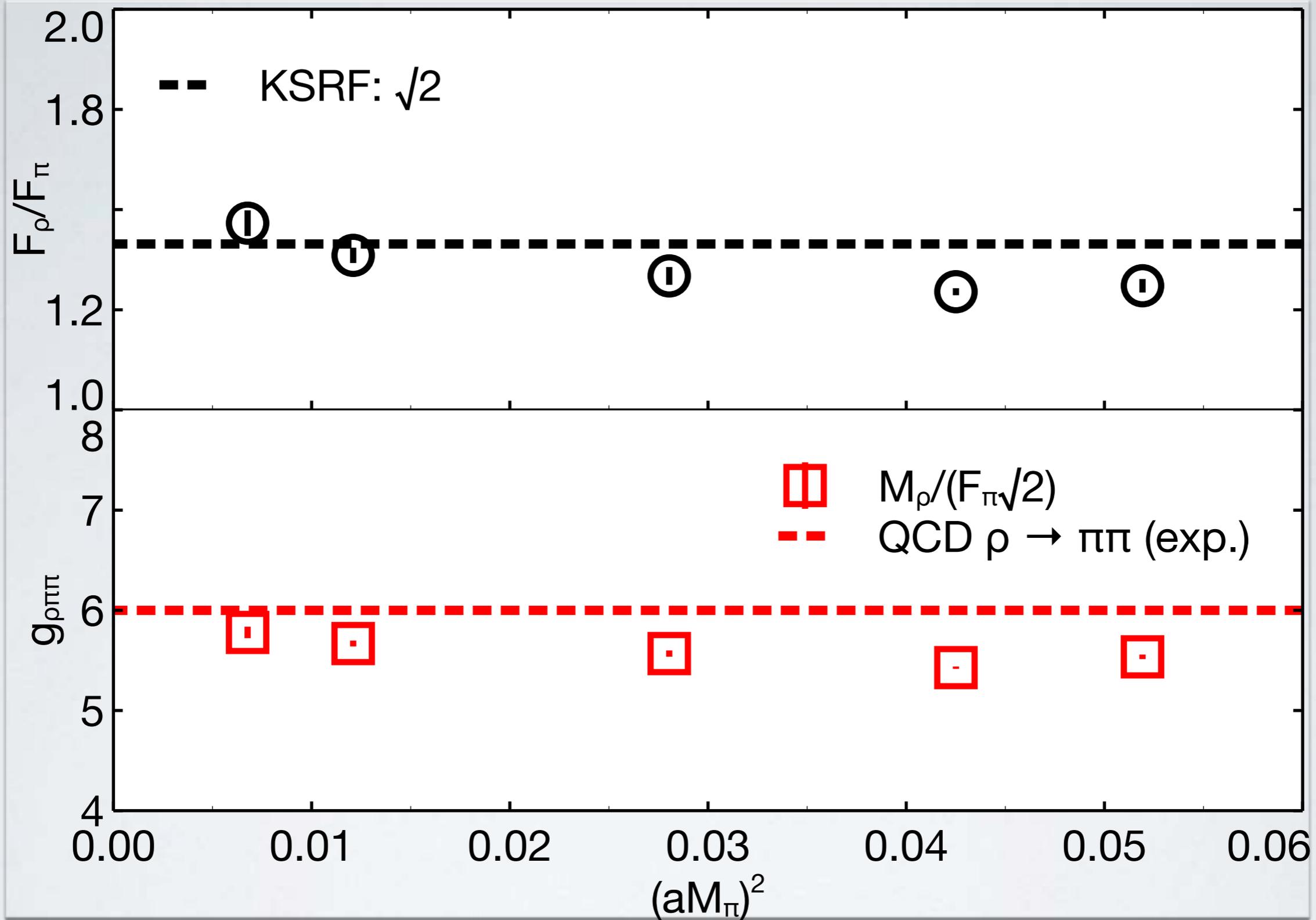


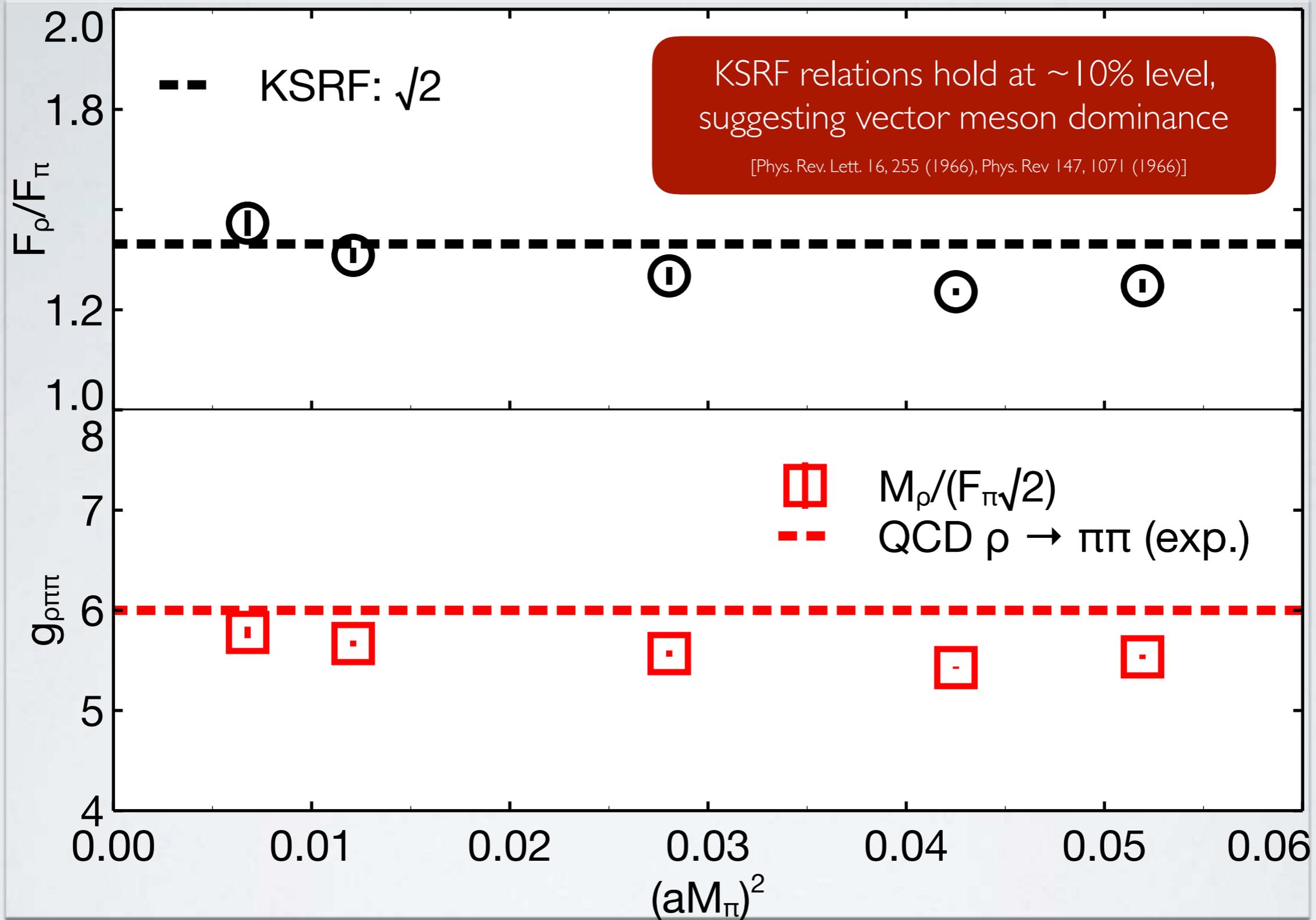


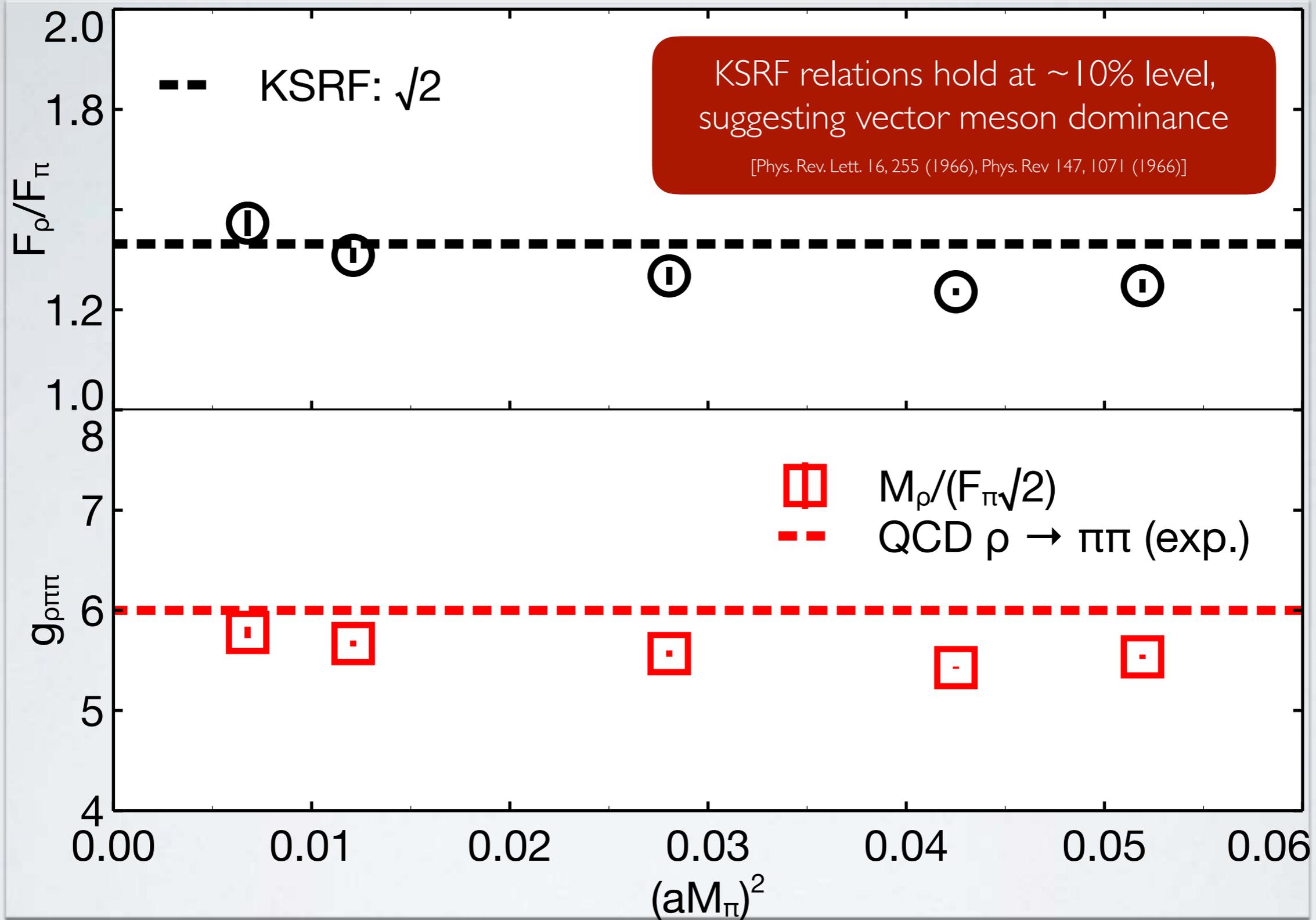
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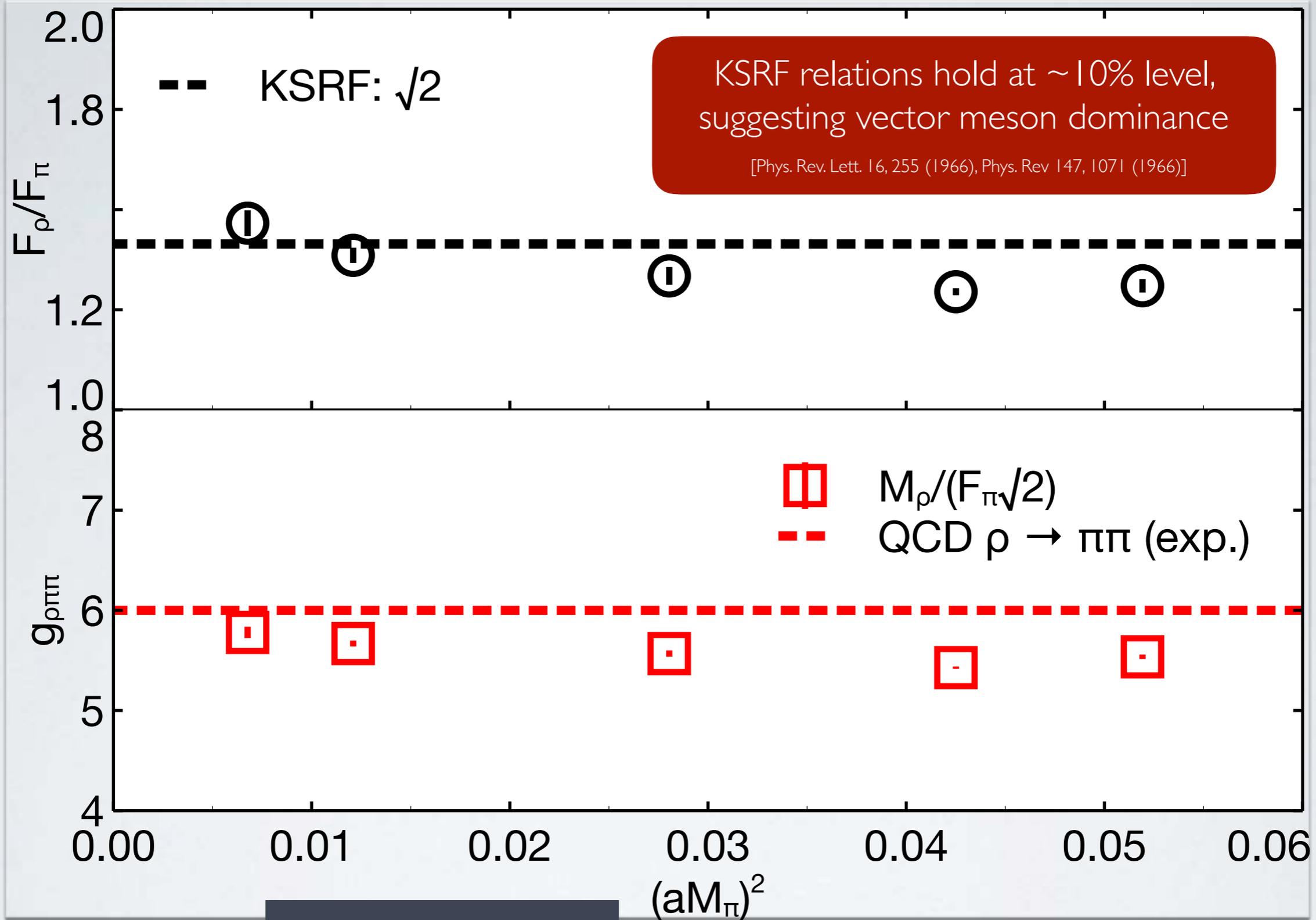
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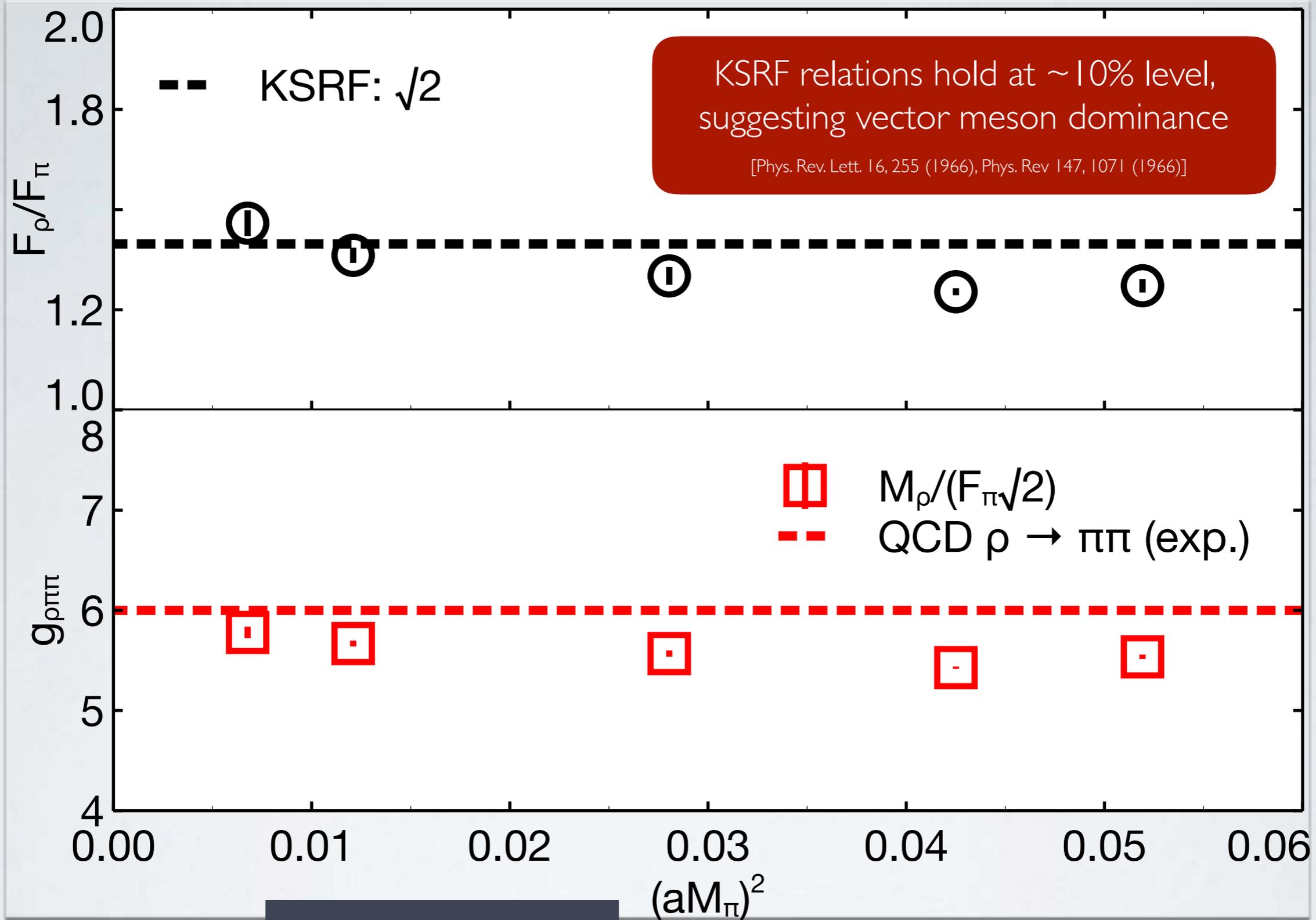


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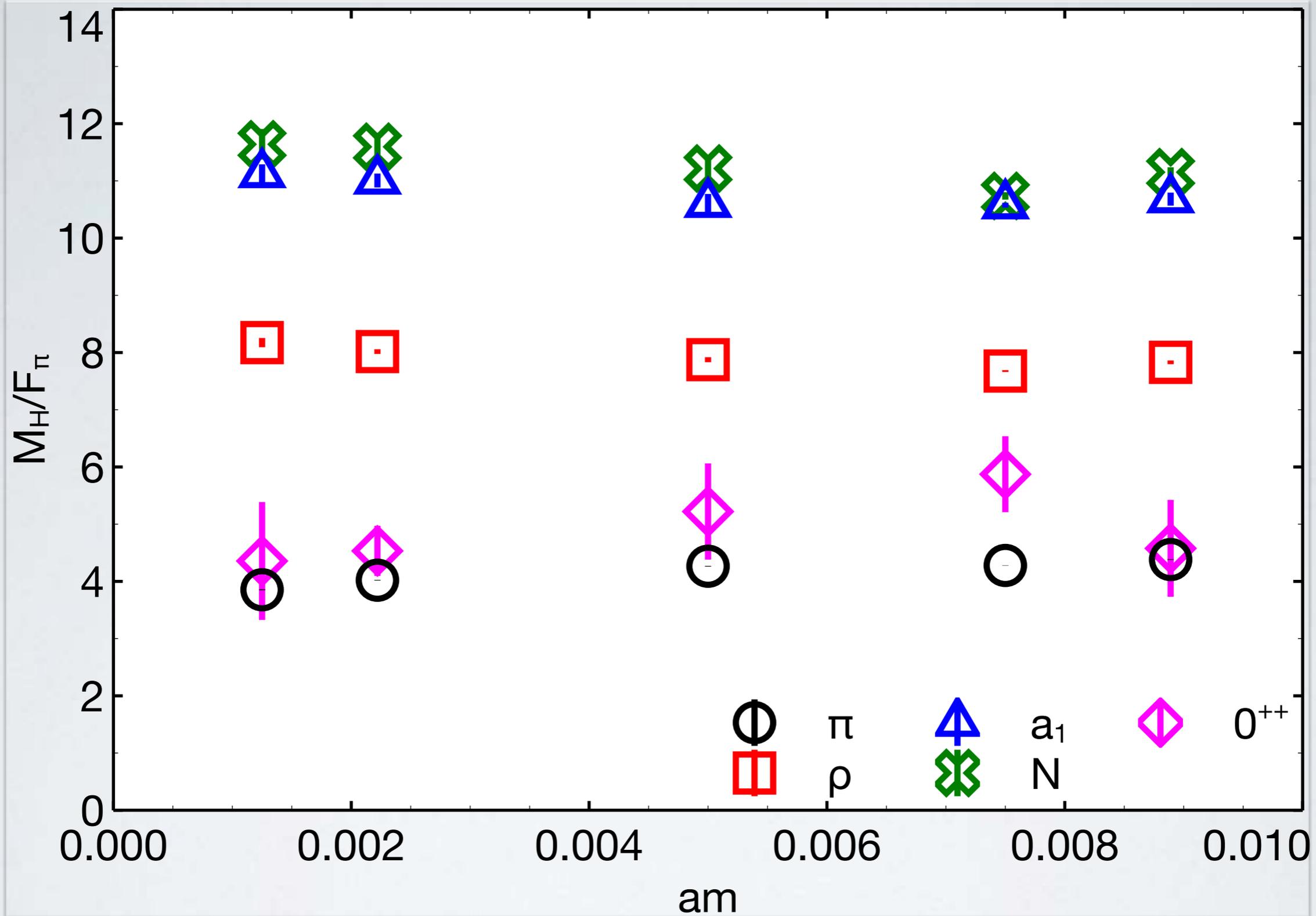
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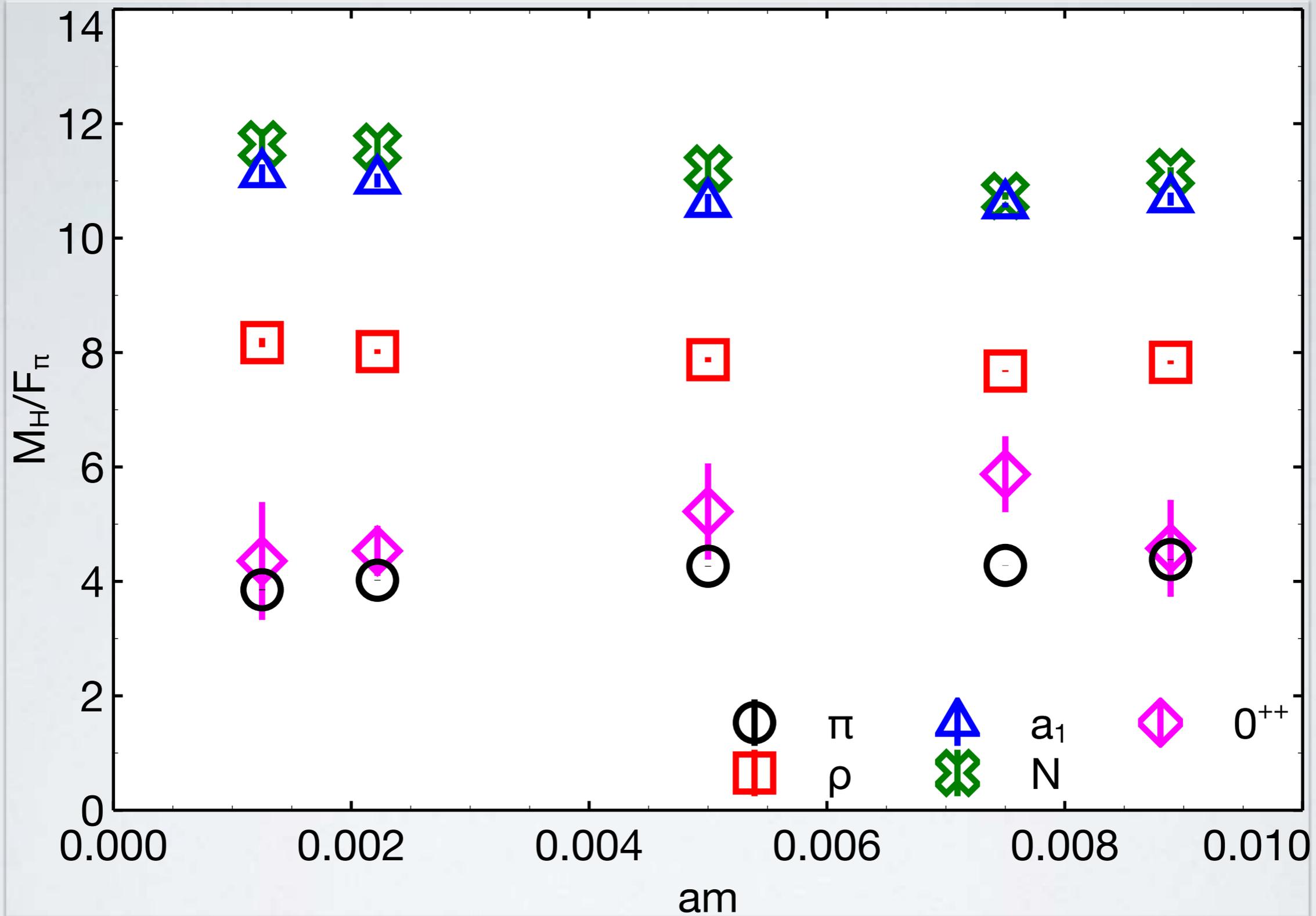


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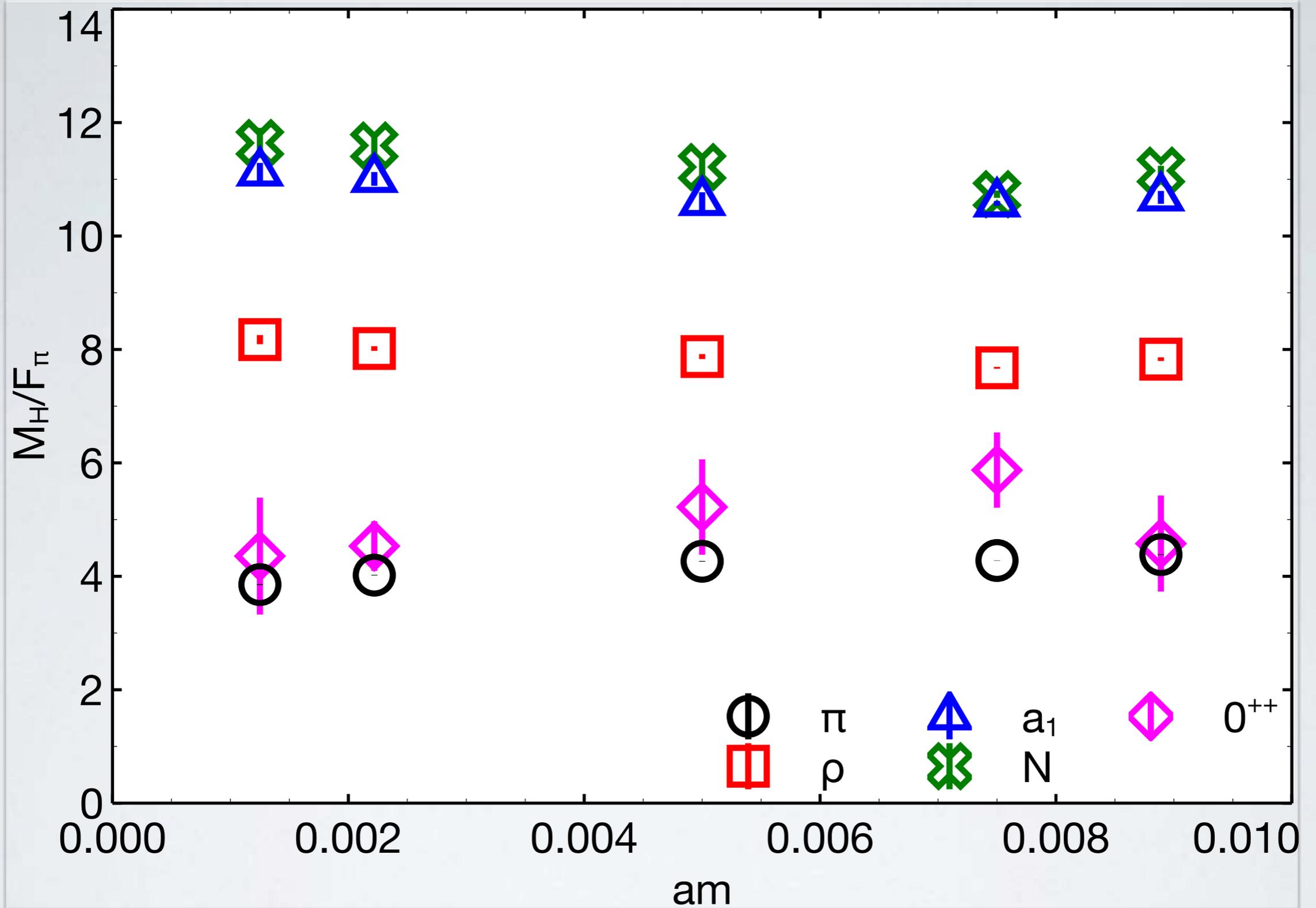
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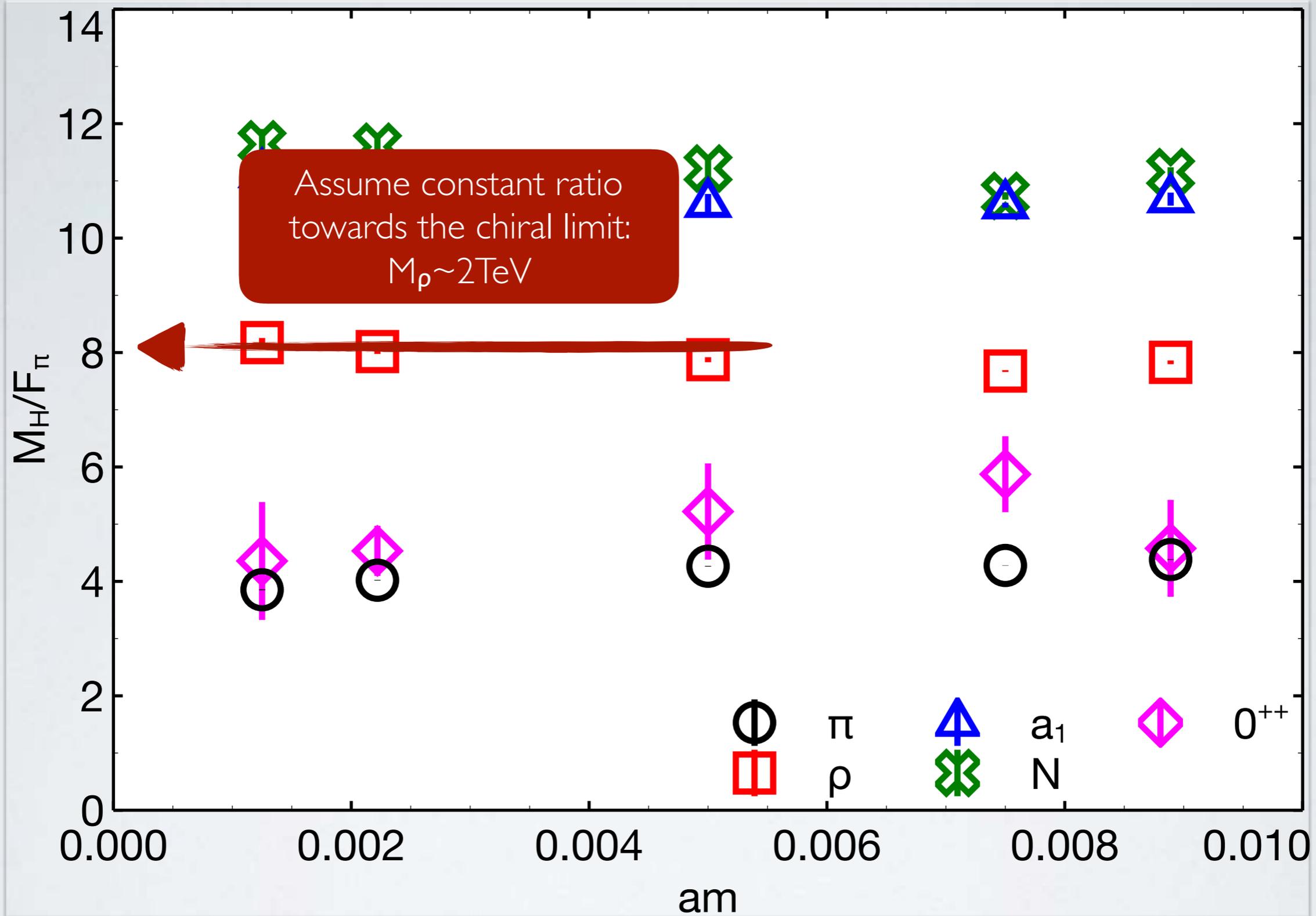
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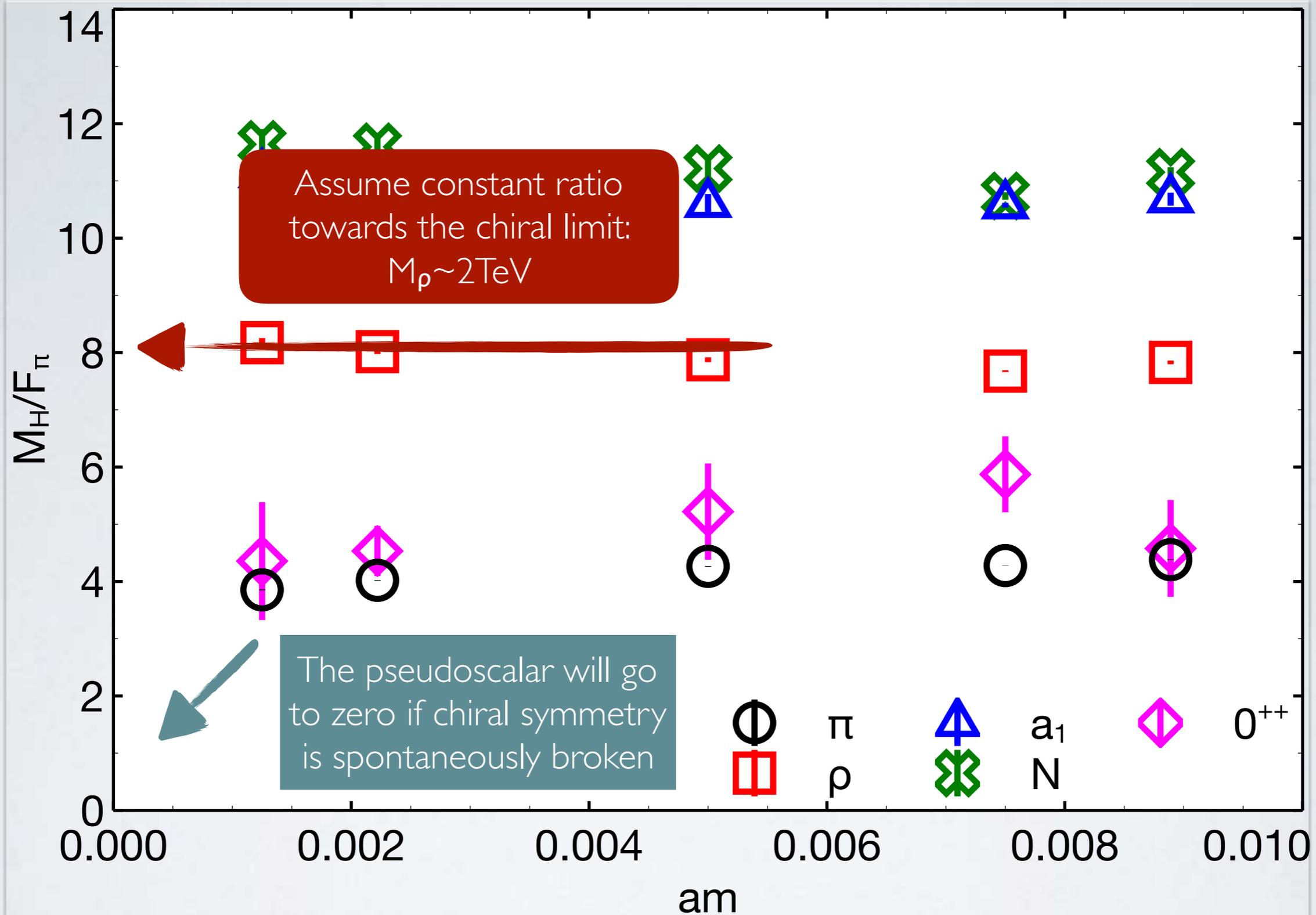
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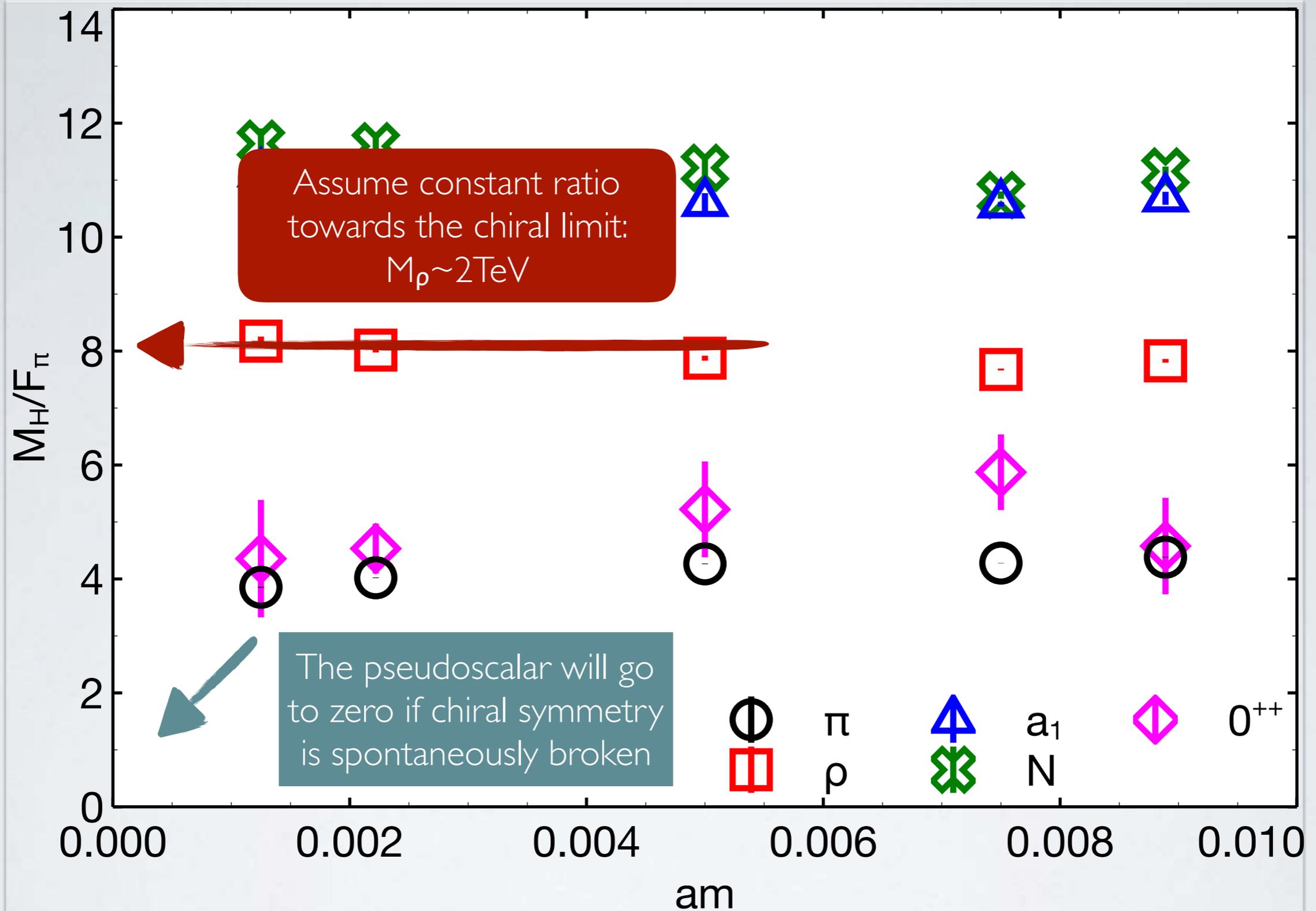
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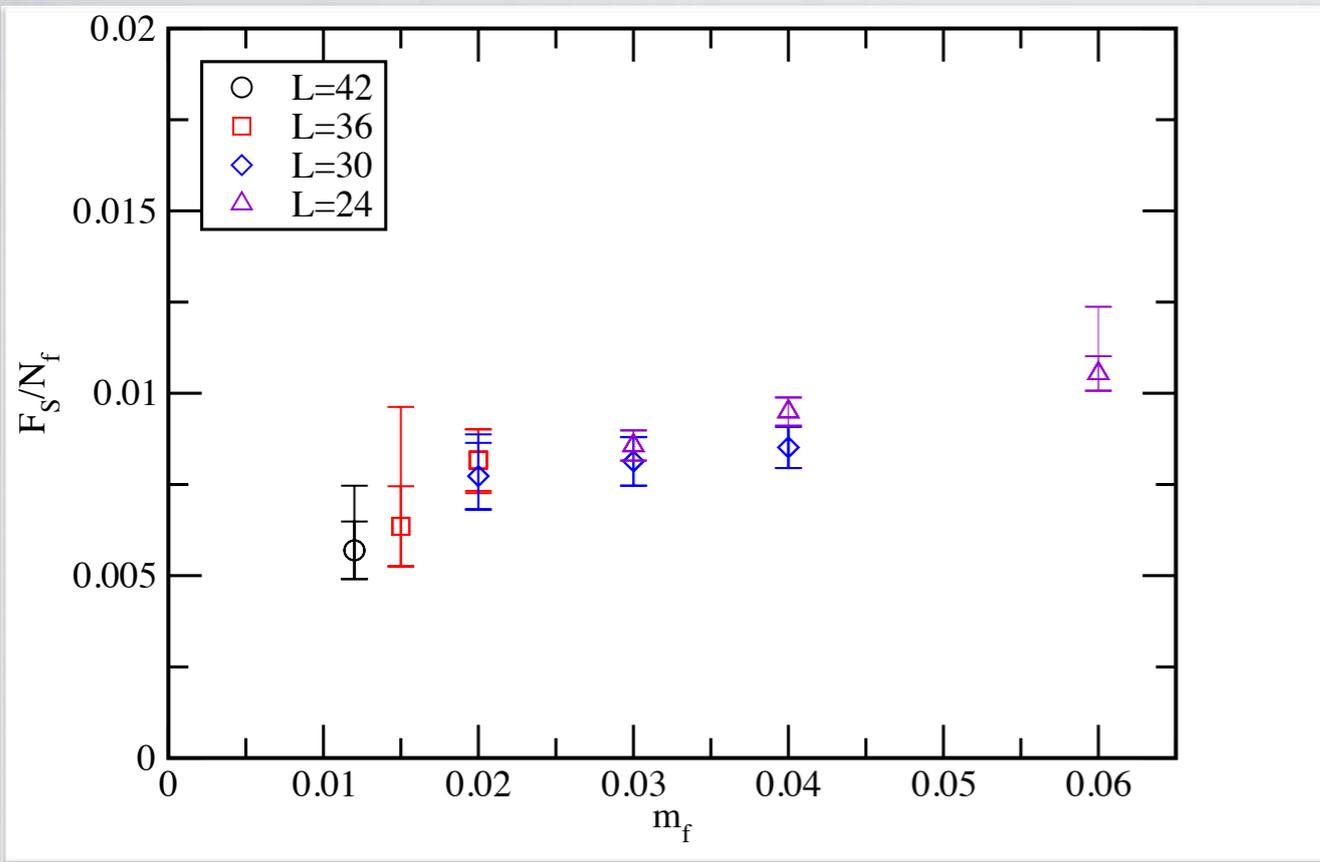


Important again: extrapolate towards the chiral limit using an appropriate effective low-energy theory

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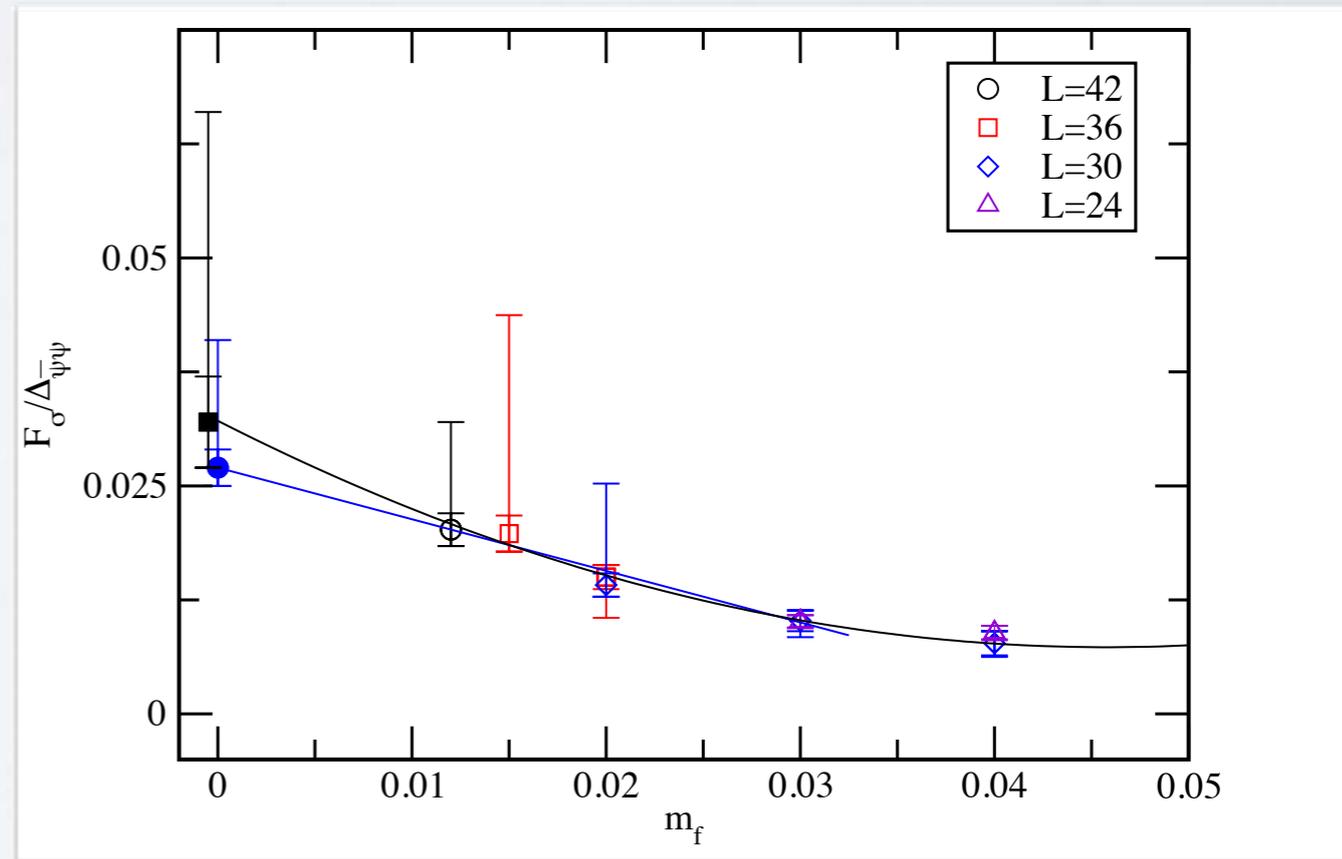
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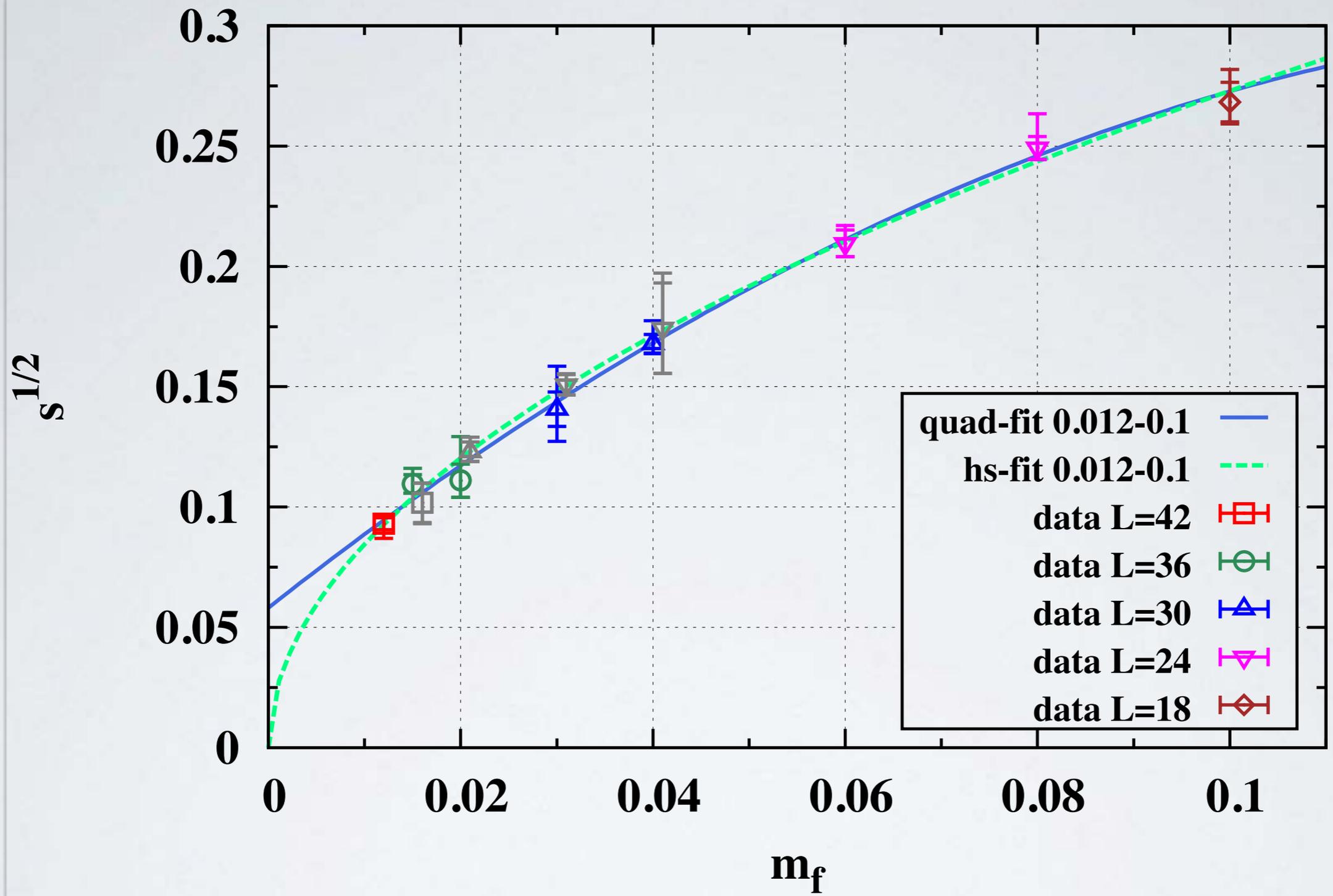
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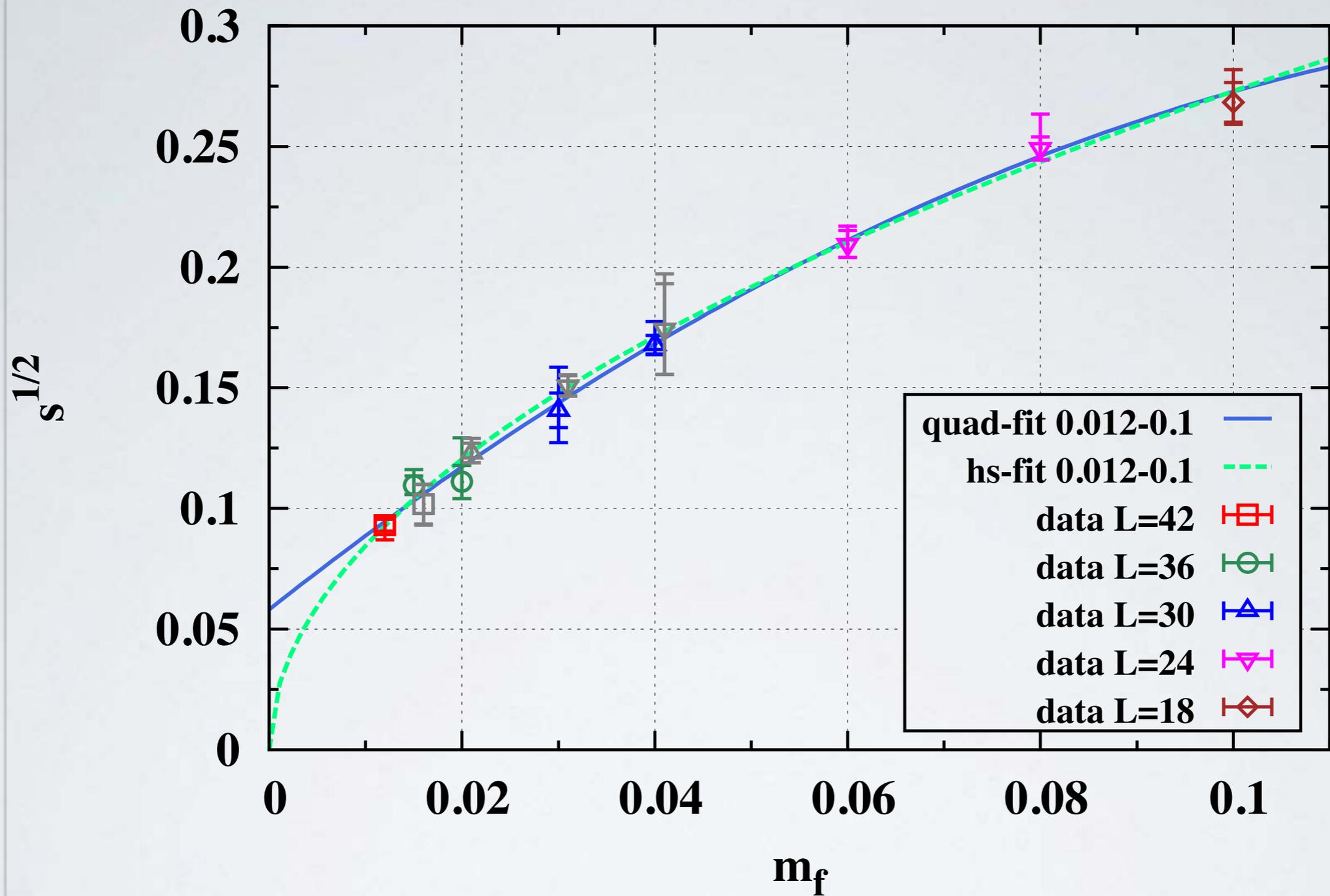


$$\langle 0 | m_f O_S(0,0) | \sigma(0) \rangle = F_S M_\sigma^2$$

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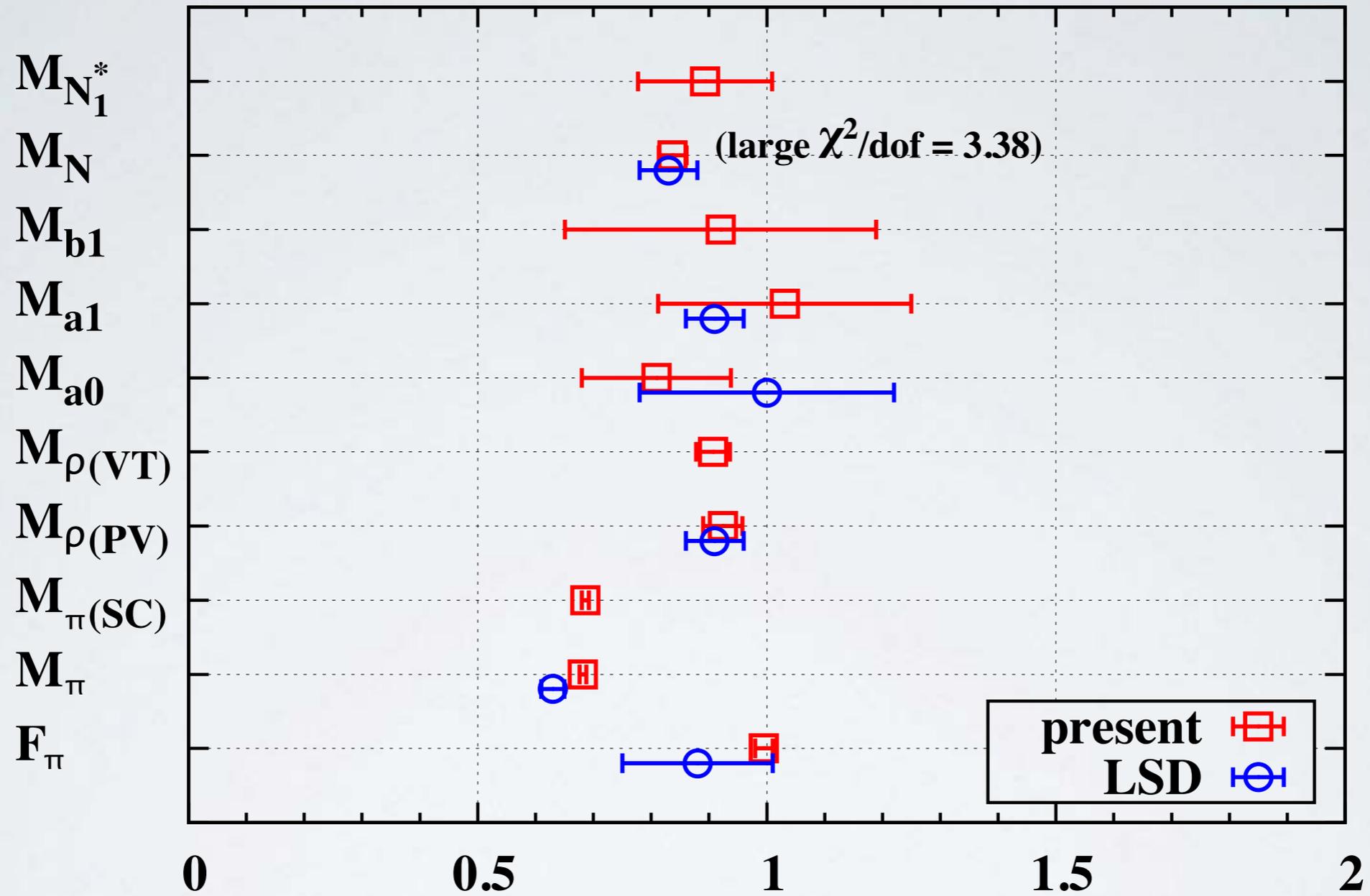




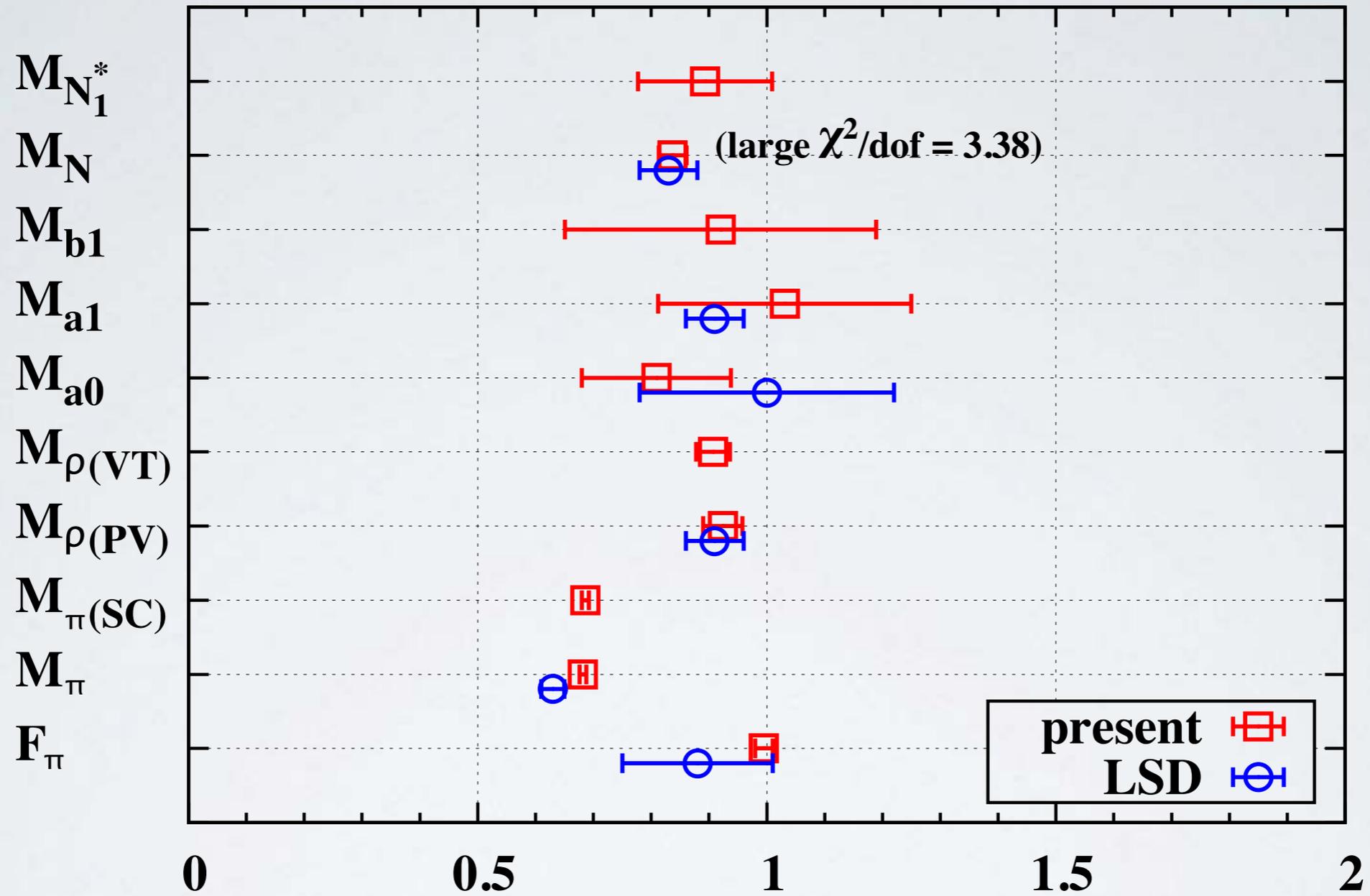


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All the states studied in the spectrum have $\gamma \sim 1$ except for the pseudoscalar.
 Comparison with different lattice discretizations:
 staggered and domain wall fermions