

The pion mass dependence of the nucleon

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Outline

- Review Chiral Perturbation Theory
- $M_n - M_p$
- M_N

Motivation

- Several motivations to understand the pion mass dependence of the nucleon
- perform extrapolation of nucleon quantities computed with lattice QCD (LQCD) from the input quark masses used to those of nature (still important for nucleons)
- pion mass dependence of 2+ nucleon systems will also depend upon nucleon
- determine range of convergence for baryon chiral perturbation theory (HB χ PT), and determine low-energy constants (LECs)
- The LECs are universal, so connected to other quantities of interest: notably, the pion-nucleon sigma term which is important for understanding constraints on dark matter interactions with nuclei

$$\sigma_{\pi N} = \sum_{q=u,d} \langle N | \bar{q} m_q q | N \rangle = \sum_{q=u,d} m_q \frac{\partial}{\partial m_q} m_N(m_q)$$

Chiral Perturbation Theory Overview

- Chiral Perturbation Theory (χ PT) is the low-energy Effective Field Theory (EFT) of QCD
- QCD has an approximate chiral symmetry, broken explicitly by the light quark masses

$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD} = \bar{q}_L i \not{D} q_L + \bar{q}_R i \not{D} q_R - \bar{q}_L m_q q_R - \bar{q}_R m_q^\dagger q_L$$

$$\mathcal{P}_L = \frac{1 - \gamma_5}{2} \quad \mathcal{P}_R = \frac{1 + \gamma_5}{2}$$

- In the limit $m_q=0$, QCD has an exact chiral symmetry

$$U(1)_{L+R} \times SU(N_f)_L \times SU(N_f)_R$$

- But this is not readily evident in the spectrum. If the chiral symmetry were respected - the negative parity nucleon would be degenerate with the nucleon

$$M_N \sim 940 \text{ MeV} \quad M_{N^*} \sim 1535 \text{ MeV}$$

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- We also observe 3 light degrees of freedom, pseudo-scalar pions

$$m_\pi \ll m_N \quad m_\pi \sim 135 \text{ MeV}$$

- We postulate the vacuum of QCD spontaneously breaks the full chiral symmetry down to the vector subgroup, giving rise to three (pseudo) Nambu-Goldstone bosons associated with the broken Axial generators (here, I am focussed on 2 light flavors, u & d)

$$U(1)_{L+R} \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \longrightarrow U(1)_V \times SU(2)_V$$

- The up and down quark masses are small, but not zero, so the pions are not massless, and so they are *pseudo* Nambu-Goldstone bosons

- χ PT is then constructed by writing down all operators consistent with the approximate symmetry of QCD, in terms of the observed degrees of freedom - the pions
- The pions are derivatively coupled to themselves and other hadrons due to their Nambu-Goldstone nature.
- This allows for an organization of the operators into different orders in a perturbative expansion in small momentum

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi\text{PT}}^{\text{LO}} = \frac{F^2}{4} \text{Tr} (\partial_\mu \Sigma \partial^\mu \Sigma^\dagger) + \frac{F^2}{4} \text{Tr} (\Sigma \chi^\dagger + \chi \Sigma^\dagger)$$

$$\Sigma = e^{i\sqrt{2}\phi/F} \quad \phi = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} & \pi^+ \\ \pi^- & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Analogous to SSB of complex ϕ^4 -theory, the pions parameterize rotations about the minimum of the vacuum

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F = LO pion decay constant

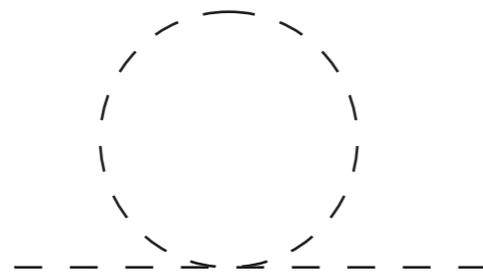
$$\chi = 2Bm_q$$

$$m_\pi^2 [\text{LO}] = B(m_u + m_d)$$

$$B = -\frac{\langle \Omega | \bar{q}q | \Omega \rangle}{F^2}$$

$$\epsilon_\pi^2 = \frac{m_\pi^2}{(4\pi F_\pi)^2} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{perturbative} \\ \text{expansion} \\ \text{parameter} \end{array}$$

- The pion mass and decay constant are then determined through NLO

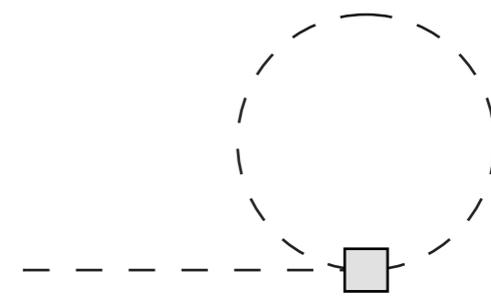


$$\hat{m} = \frac{1}{2}(m_u + m_d)$$

$$m_\pi^2 = 2B\hat{m} \left\{ 1 + \frac{2B\hat{m}}{(4\pi F)^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{2B\hat{m}}{\mu^2} \right) + 2(4\pi)^2 l_3^r(\mu) \right] \right\}$$

LO

NLO



$$F_\pi = F_0 \left\{ 1 - \frac{2B\hat{m}}{(4\pi F_0)^2} \left[\ln \left(\frac{2B\hat{m}}{\mu^2} \right) + (4\pi)^2 l_4^r(\mu) \right] \right\}$$

LO

NLO

NLO = 1 loop from LO Lagrangian
+ tree level from NLO Lagrangian

- Radiative pion loop corrections generate non-analytic dependence upon the quark masses, in this case, logarithmic
- These are the “predictions” from χ PT, the analytic terms are the same as from a Taylor expansion about $\epsilon_\pi = 0$

- Including matter fields (nucleons) poses additional issues to overcome

$$\mathcal{L}_N = \bar{\psi} [i\partial - M_0] \psi$$

- In loop corrections, the large nucleon mass term, M_0 , appears
- $M_0/(4\pi F) \approx 1$ and so the loop power-counting breaks down

- Introduce phase redefined fields

$$\psi = e^{iv \cdot x M_0} (N_v + H_v) \quad \frac{1 + \not{v}}{2} N_v = N_v \quad \frac{1 - \not{v}}{2} H_v = H_v$$

$$v_\mu = \text{four velocity of nucleon}$$

- In nucleon rest frame, $v_\mu = (1, \mathbf{0})$ and these are particle anti-particle projectors

$$\mathcal{L}_N = \bar{N}_v i v \cdot \partial N_v + \bar{H}_v [i v \cdot \partial - 2M_0] H_v$$

- Integrate out the heavy $2M_0$ field, introducing power series in $1/M_0$ operators, restoring power counting

$$\mathcal{L}_N = \bar{N}_v i v \cdot \partial N_v + \mathcal{O}(1/M_0)$$

- Nearly on-shell nucleon has momentum $p_\mu = M_0 v_\mu + k_\mu$
- derivatives acting on N_v field bring down powers of this soft, residual momentum

$$\partial_\mu N_v = -i k_\mu N_v$$

- This is known as Heavy Baryon χ PT (HB χ PT)

○ HB χ PT for M_N up to NNLO

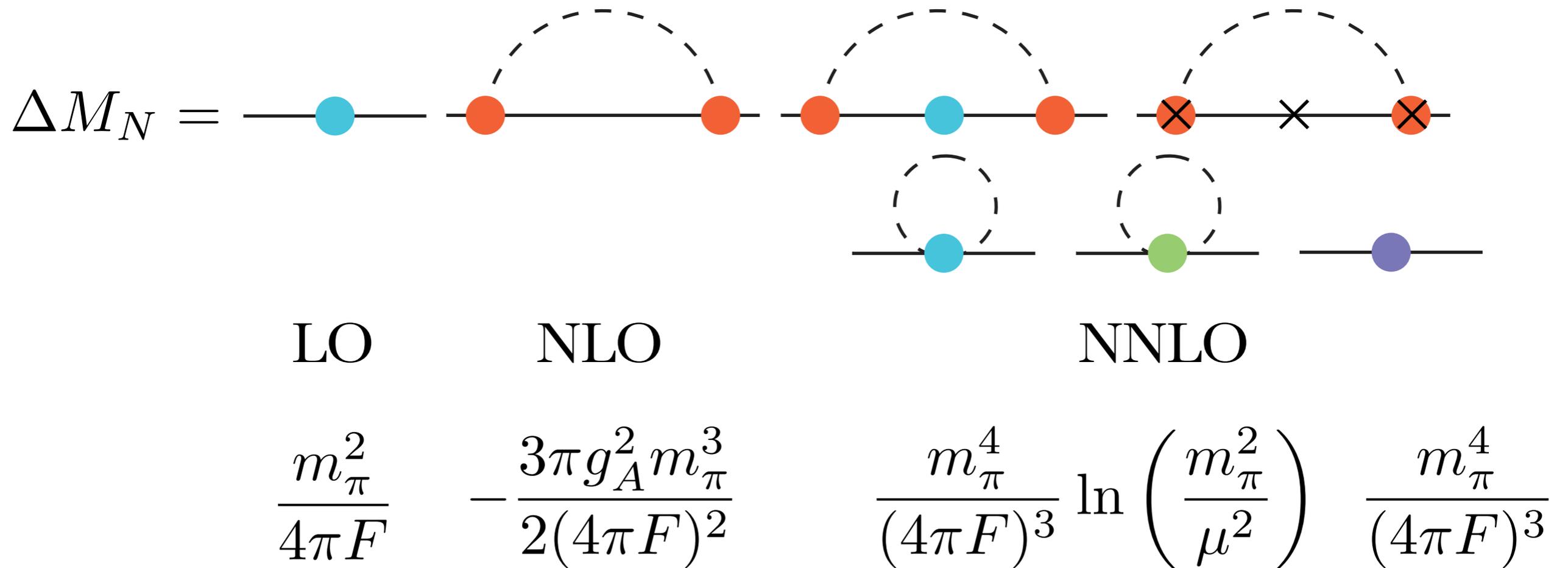
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{N\pi} = & \bar{N} i v \cdot D N - \frac{\alpha_N}{4\pi F} \bar{N} \mathcal{M}_+ N - \frac{\sigma_N}{4\pi F} \bar{N} N \text{tr}(\mathcal{M}_+) + 2g_A^{\text{LO}} \bar{N} S \cdot \mathcal{A} N \\ & - \bar{N} \frac{D_\perp^2}{2M_0} N + g_A^{\text{LO}} \left(\bar{N} \frac{i \overleftarrow{D} \cdot S}{M_0} v \cdot \mathcal{A} N + \bar{N} v \cdot \mathcal{A} \frac{S \cdot i \overrightarrow{D}}{M_0} N \right) + \frac{b_A}{4\pi F} \bar{N} N \text{tr}(\mathcal{A} \cdot \mathcal{A}) + \frac{b_{vA}}{4\pi F} \bar{N} N \text{tr}(v \cdot \mathcal{A} v \cdot \mathcal{A}) \\ & + \frac{b_1}{(4\pi F)^3} \bar{N} \mathcal{M}_+^2 N + \frac{b_2}{(4\pi F)^3} \bar{N} N \text{tr}(\mathcal{M}_+^2) + \frac{b_3}{(4\pi F)^3} \bar{N} \mathcal{M}_+ N \text{tr}(\mathcal{M}_+) + \frac{b_4}{(4\pi F)^3} \bar{N} N [\text{tr}(\mathcal{M}_+)]^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_+ &= \frac{1}{4} (\xi 2Bm_q \xi + \xi^\dagger 2Bm_q \xi^\dagger) & \xi^2 &= \Sigma = e^{i\sqrt{2}\phi/F} \\ \mathcal{A}_\mu &= \frac{i}{2} (\xi \partial_\mu \xi^\dagger - \xi^\dagger \partial_\mu \xi) & S_\mu &= \text{spin vector} \end{aligned}$$

- This Lagrangian is modified from the literature such that all LECs are dimensionless (extra powers of $4\pi F$ are used to normalize the operators)
- One can also add the nearby delta-resonances as explicit degrees of freedom (DOF) - large N_c puts this on sound theoretical ground
- Still open how necessary they are in general as explicit DOF

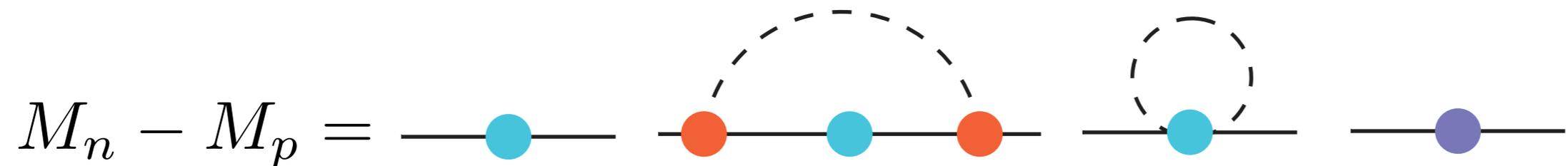
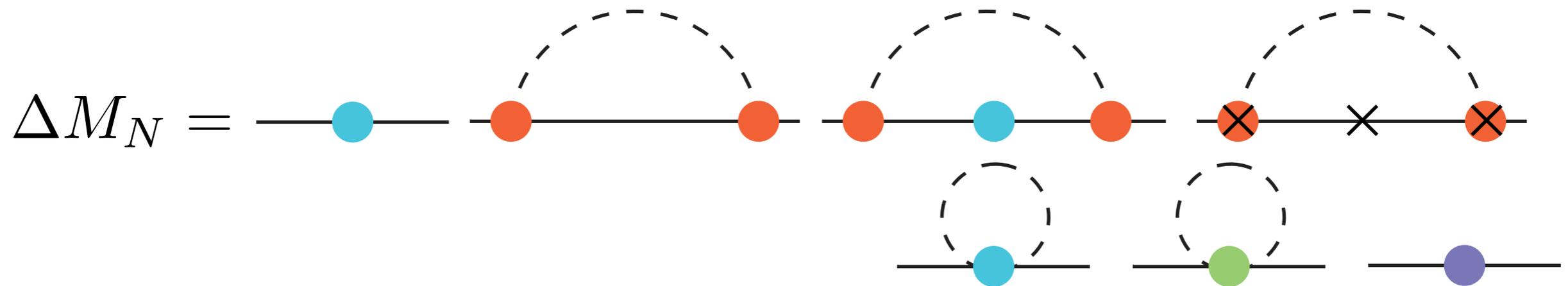
HB χ PT for M_N up to NNLO

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$$= \frac{2B\delta}{4\pi F} \left\{ \alpha_N \left[1 - \frac{m_\pi^2}{2(4\pi F)^2} (6g_A^2 + 1) \ln \left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right) \right] + \beta(\mu) \frac{m_\pi^2}{(4\pi F)^2} \right\}$$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{2} (m_d - m_u)$$

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□ Add isospin breaking in valence sector through *Symmetric Isospin Breaking*

Walker-Loud arXiv:0904.2404

$$m_{u,d}^{sea} = m_l$$

$$m_u^{val} = m_l - \delta, \quad m_d^{val} = m_l + \delta$$

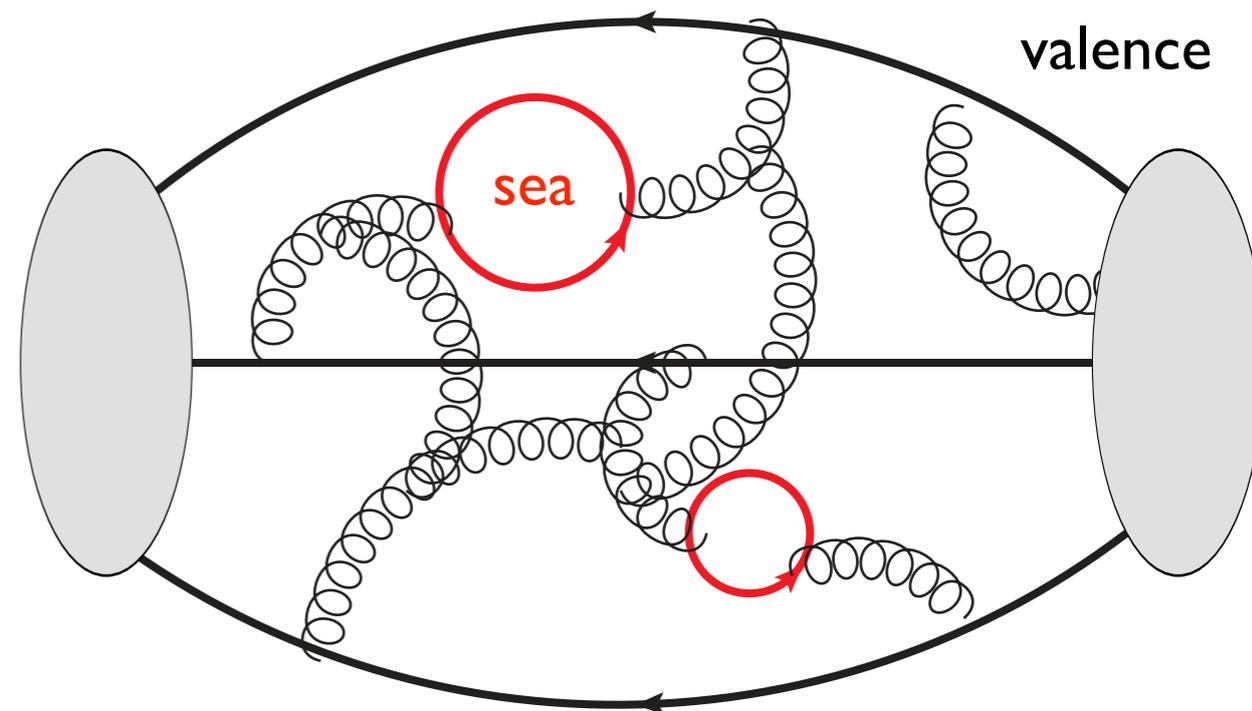
partially quenched lattice QCD

$$m_q^{val} \neq m_q^{sea}$$

□ With this symmetric splitting, the error in such a calculation scales as

$\mathcal{O}(\delta^2)$ iso-scalar quantities

$\mathcal{O}(\delta^3)$ iso-vector quantities



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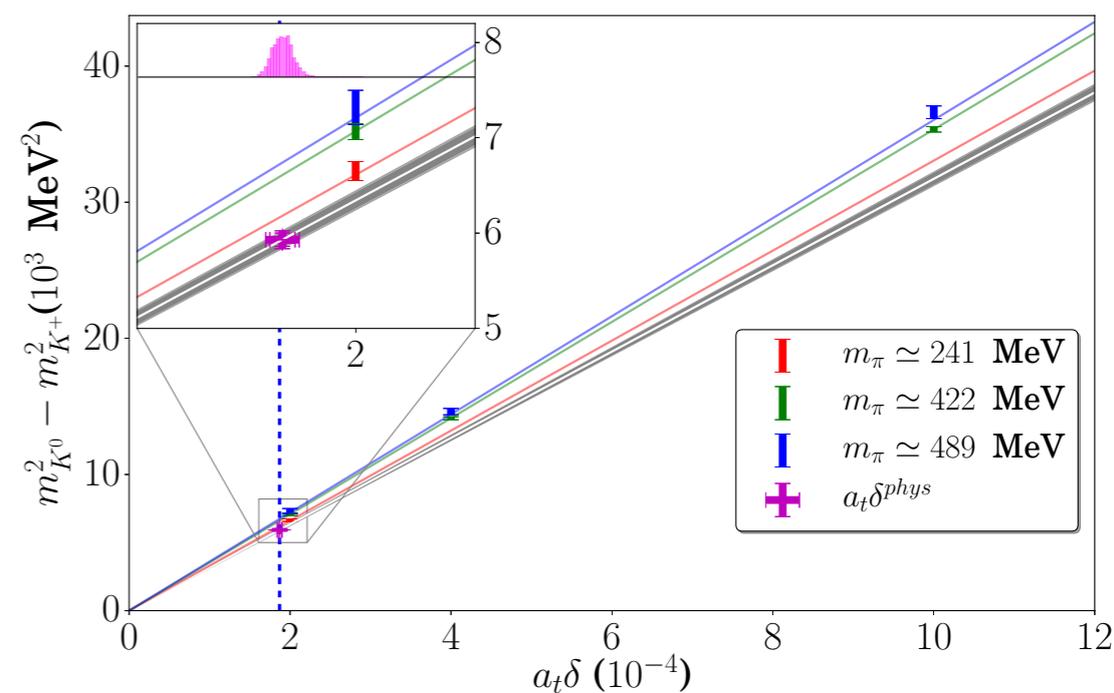
Our calculation was performed with 3 values of the pion mass and we chose 3 values of the isospin breaking parameter $2\delta = m_d - m_u$

m_π [MeV]	m_K [MeV]	$N_{cfg} \times N_{src}$		
		$\overset{\circ}{\delta} = 1.22$ MeV	$\overset{\circ}{\delta} = 2.44$ MeV	$\overset{\circ}{\delta} = 6.11$ MeV
490	629	207×16	207×16	207×16
421	588	291×10	291×10	291×10
241	506	802×10.5	–	–

The physical value of δ was determined from the kaon spectrum (after subtracting the electromagnetic corrections)

$$m_{K^0}^2 - m_{K^\pm}^2 = 2B\delta \left\{ 1 + \frac{m_\pi^2}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2} \left[\alpha(\mu) - \ln \left(\frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} \right) \right] \right\}$$

➔ $\overset{\circ}{\delta}^{phys} = 1.14(1)(1)$ MeV

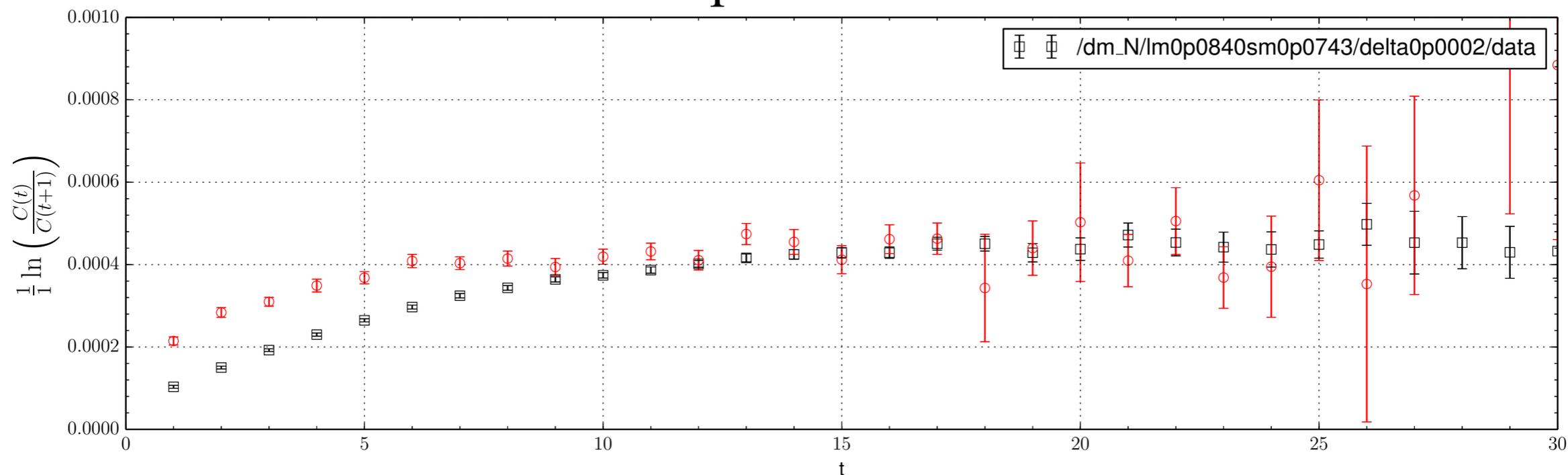


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□ Here is the ratio of the neutron / proton correlation function



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In ratio, excited state mass gap is the nucleon excited state, $\Delta \gg M_n - M_p$

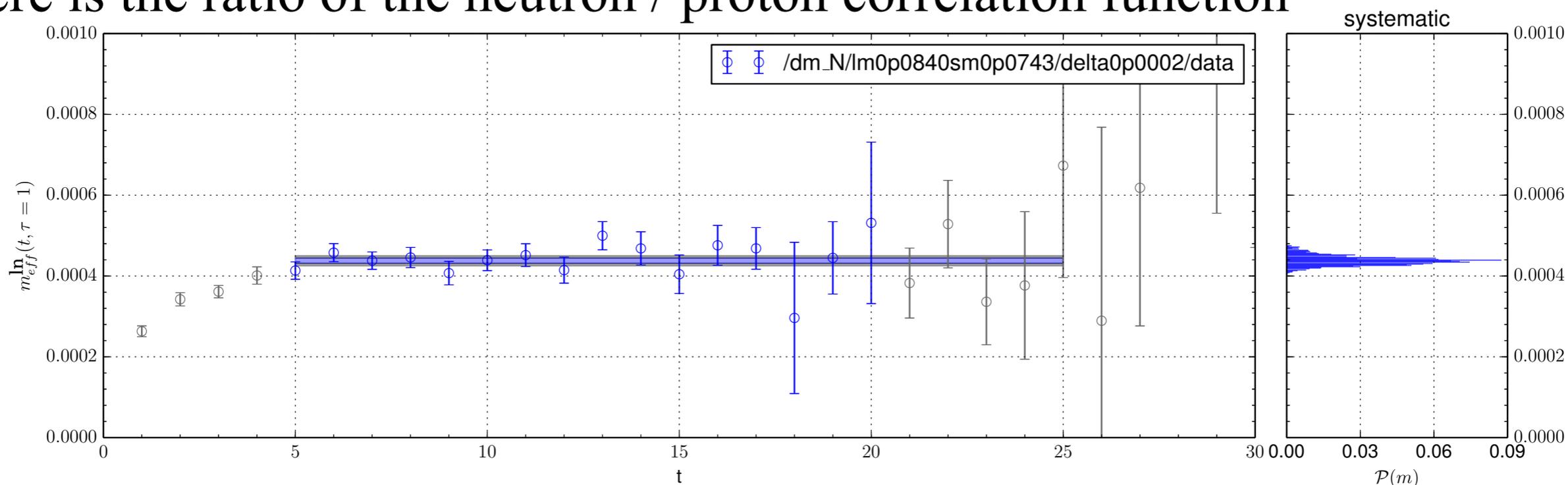
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□ Here is the resulting extrapolation

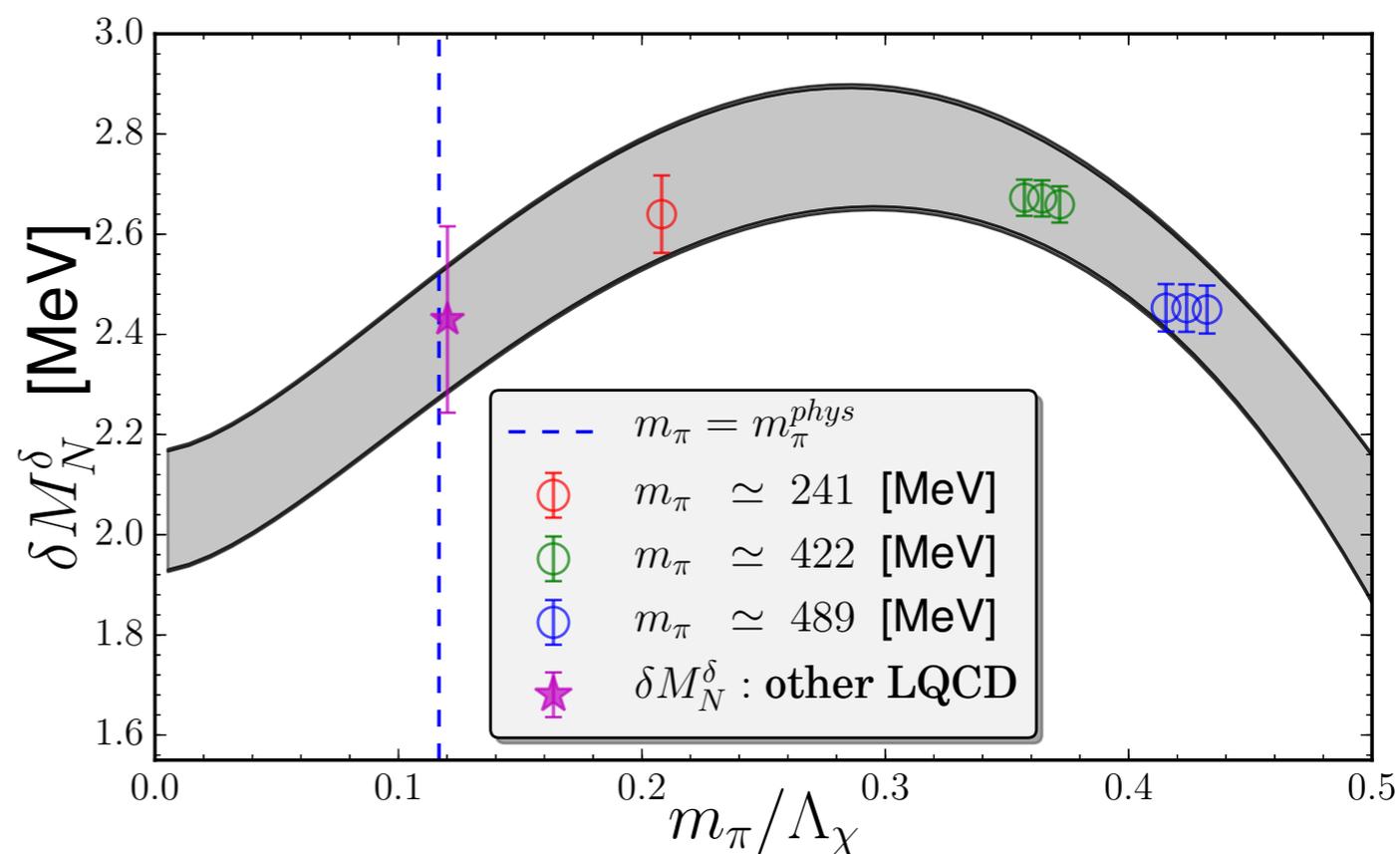
□ Fit-function is prediction from chiral-perturbation theory

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g_A = nucleon axial coupling

□ curvature driven by competition between log and local counter-term $\beta(\mu)$

□ This was first conclusive evidence for the presence of such logarithmic behavior in the baryon spectrum from lattice QCD (with one assumption)



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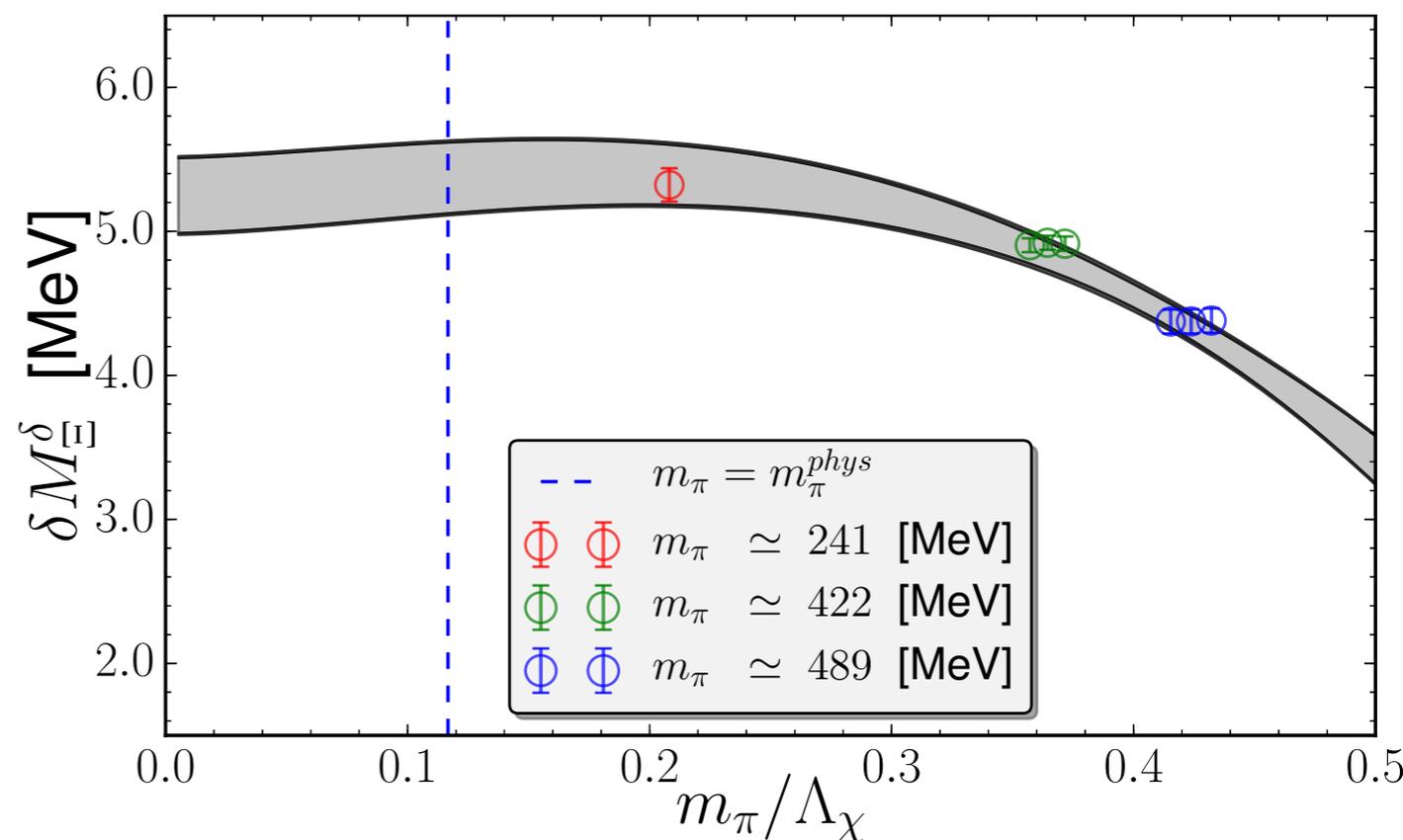
- Same calculation, but for the Cascade Baryon mass splitting
- Form of Lagrangian identical - only difference is value of LECs

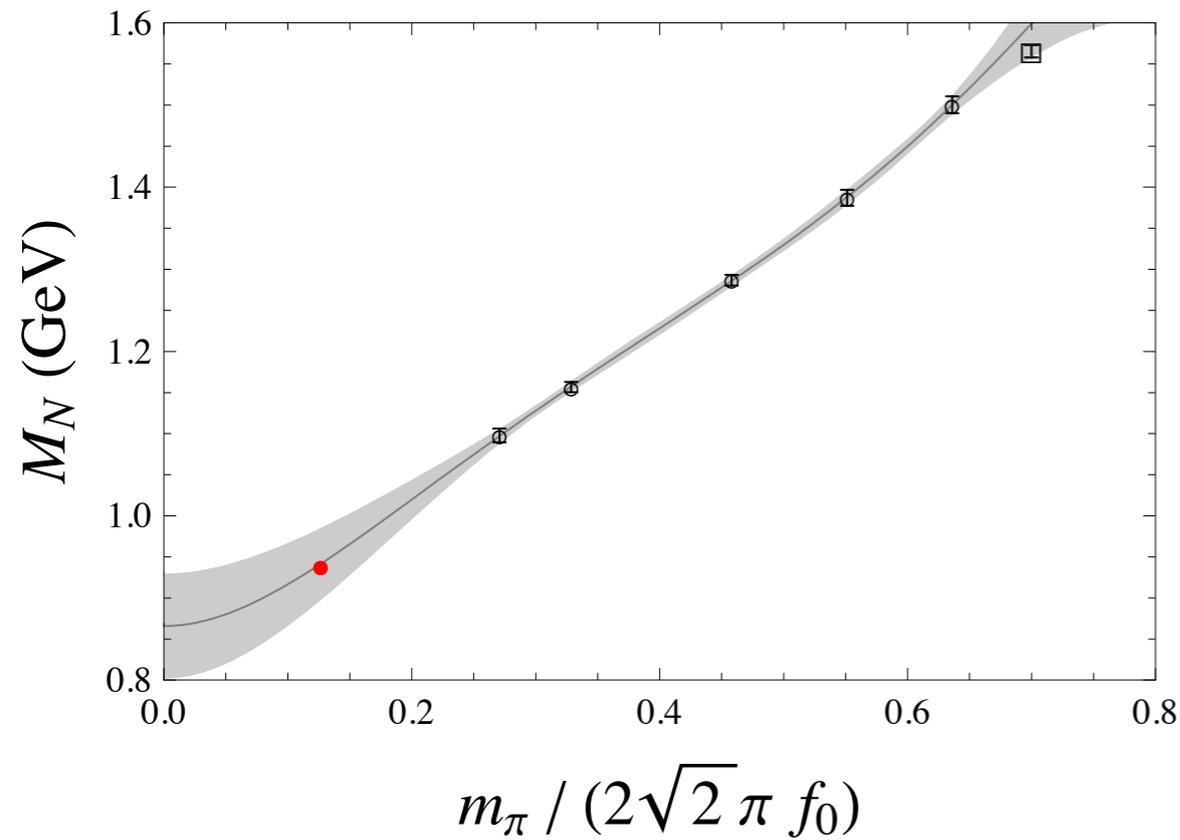
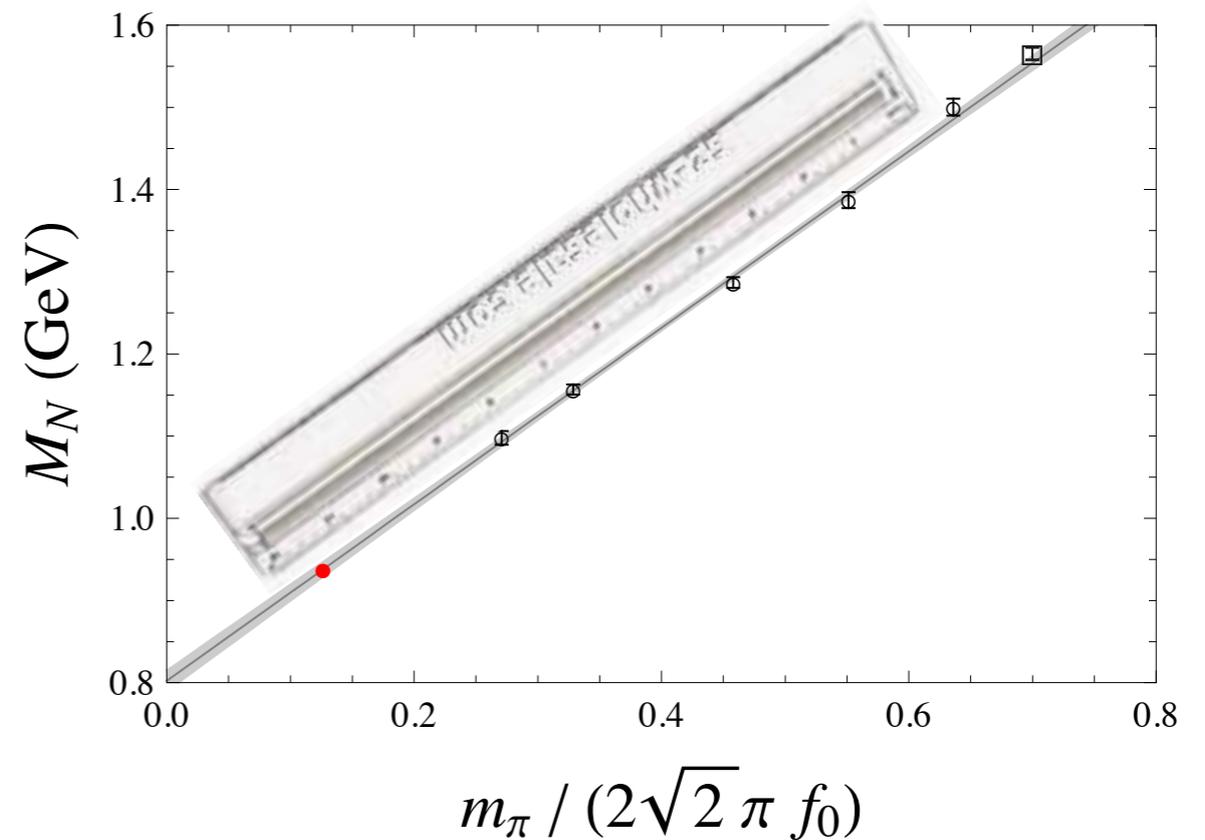
$$\delta M_{\Xi}^{\delta} = \delta \left\{ \alpha_{\Xi} \left[1 - (6g_{\pi\Xi\Xi}^2 + 1) \frac{m_{\pi}^2}{(4\pi f_{\pi})^2} \ln \left(\frac{m_{\pi}^2}{\mu^2} \right) \right] + \beta_{\Xi}(\mu) \frac{2m_{\pi}^2}{(4\pi f_{\pi})^2} \right\}$$

$g_{\pi\Xi\Xi}$ = cascade axial coupling

$$g_{\pi\Xi\Xi} \simeq g_A/5$$

- We observe the curvature is now “washed out” because the coefficient of the chiral logarithm is much smaller for the Ξ

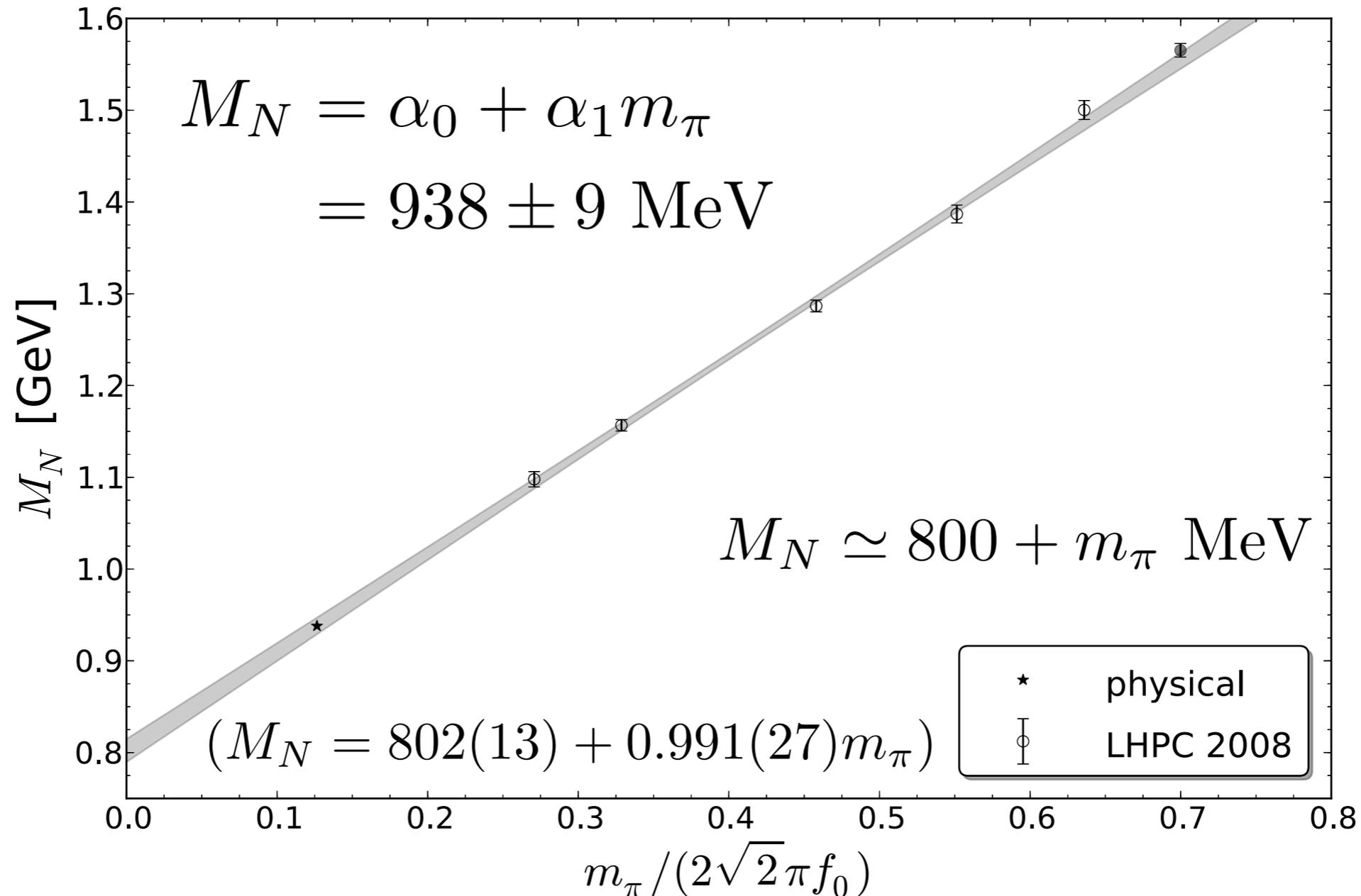


NNLO - m_π^4 , with $g_A=1.2(1)$, $g_{\Delta N}=1.5(3)$  $M_N = \alpha_0^N + \alpha_1^N m_\pi$ 

Is this a lattice artifact? Or a conspiracy of QCD?

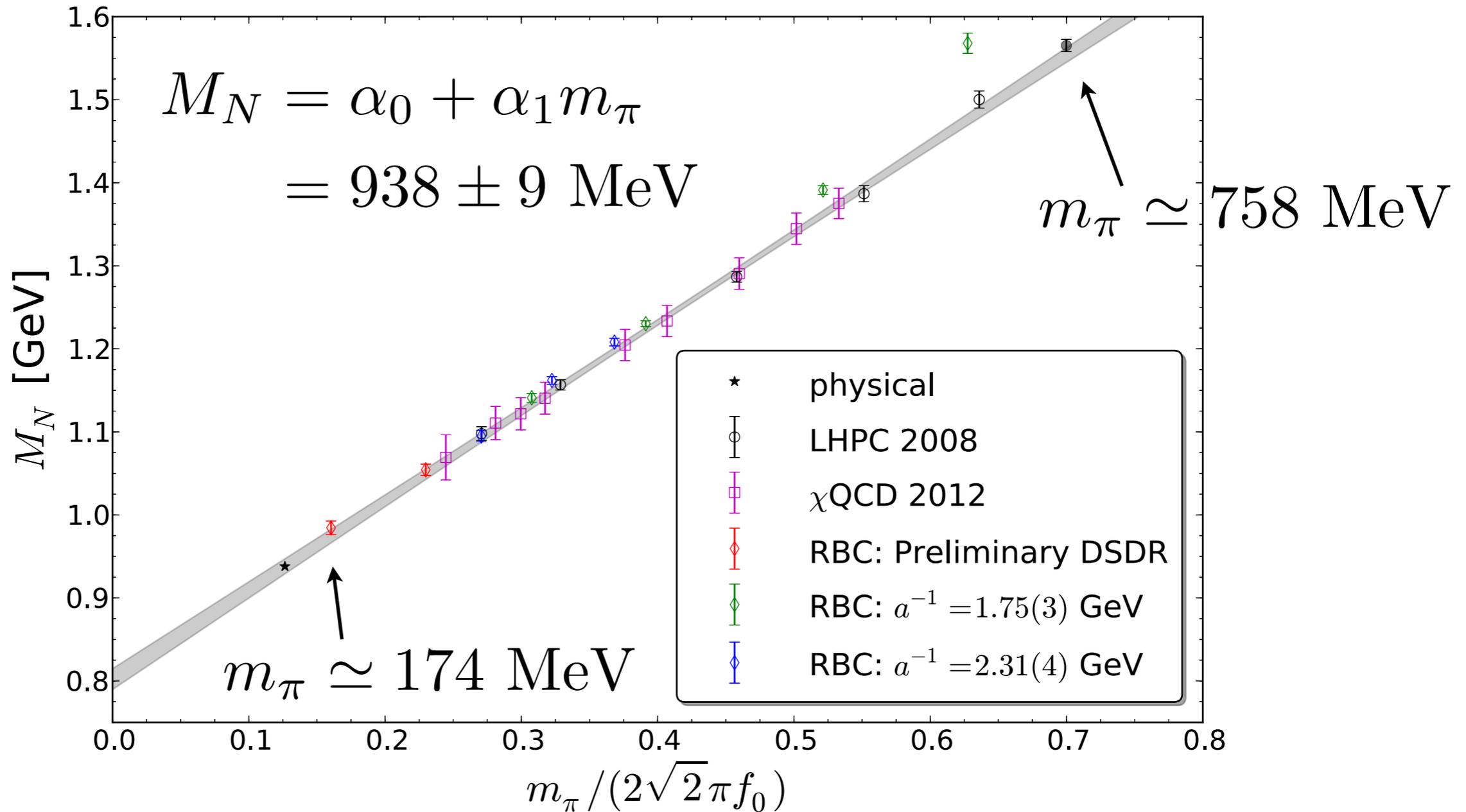
All lattice calculations in 2008 with 2+1 dynamical fermion showed this linear pion mass dependence

What is the status now (2012)?



Physical point **NOT** included in fit

What is the status now (2012)?



Taking this seriously yields

$\sigma_{\pi N} = 67 \pm 4 \text{ MeV}$

$M_N \simeq 800 + m_\pi \text{ MeV}$
 $(M_N = 802(13) + 0.991(27)m_\pi)$

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Möbius Domain–Wall fermions on gradient–flowed dynamical HISQ ensembles

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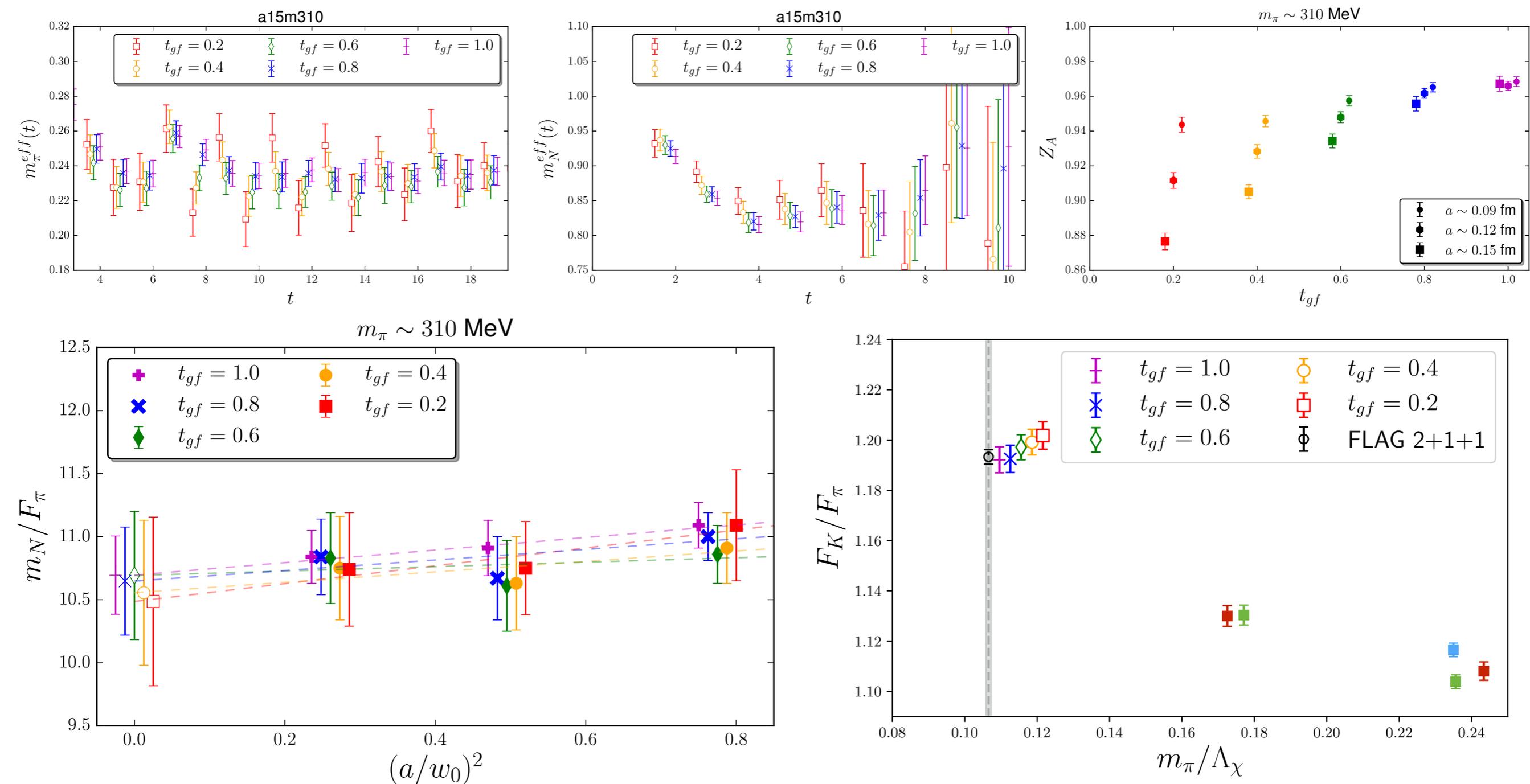
Möbius DWF on HISQ: chiral symmetry in valence sector

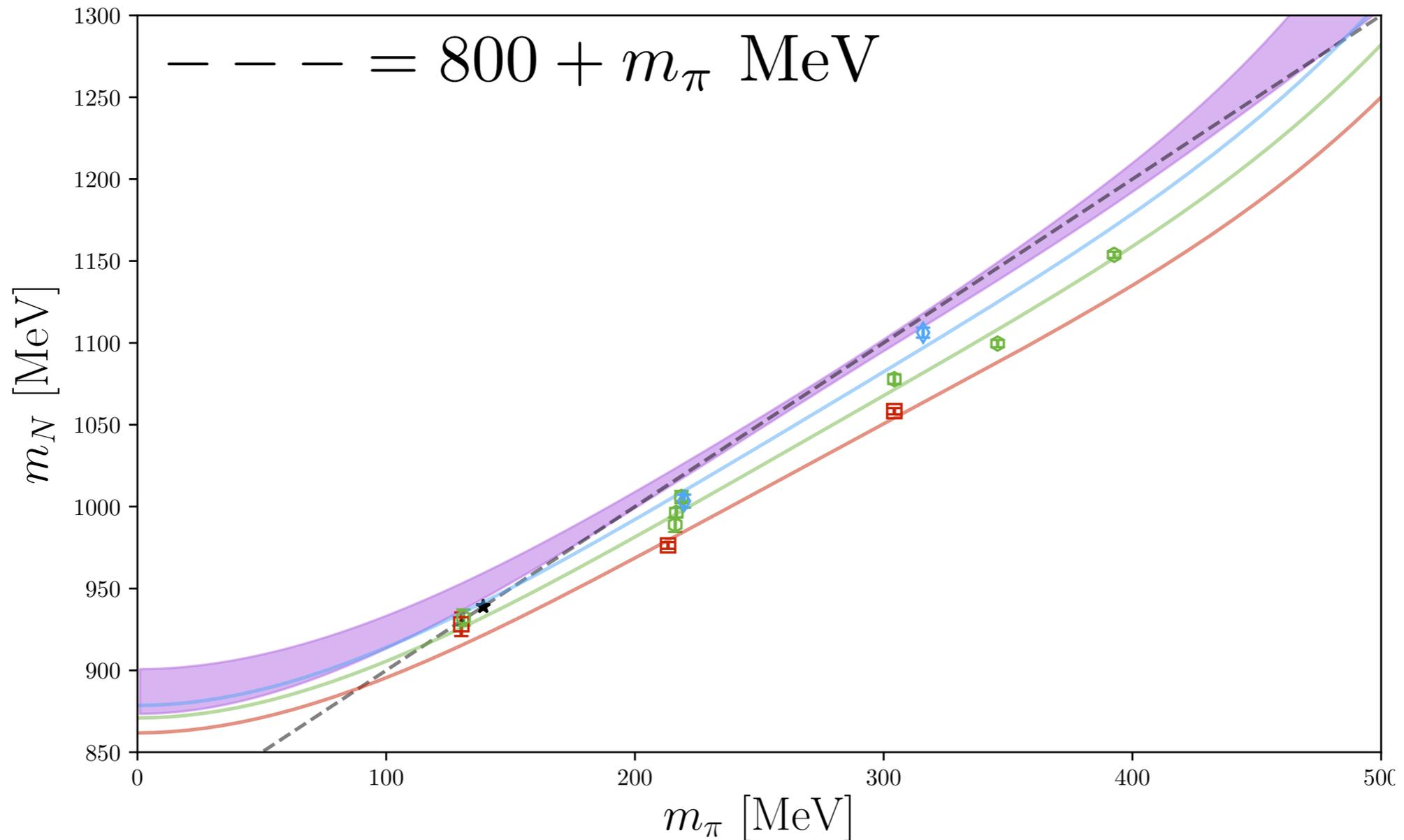
- Gradient flow method for smearing configs
 - $m_{\text{res}} < 0.1 m_l$ for moderate L_5

m_π [MeV]	400	350	310	220	130
a [fm]					
0.15			$16^3 \times 48, m_\pi L \sim 3.8$	$24^3 \times 48, m_\pi L \sim 4.0$	$32^3 \times 48, m_\pi L \sim 3.2$
0.12				$24^3 \times 64, m_\pi L \sim 3.2$	
0.12	$24^3 \times 64, m_\pi L \sim 5.8$	$24^3 \times 64, m_\pi L \sim 5.1$	$24^3 \times 64, m_\pi L \sim 4.5$	$32^3 \times 64, m_\pi L \sim 4.3$	$48^3 \times 64, m_\pi L \sim 3.9$
0.12				$40^3 \times 64, m_\pi L \sim 5.4$	
0.09			$32^3 \times 96, m_\pi L \sim 4.5$	$48^3 \times 96, m_\pi L \sim 4.7$	

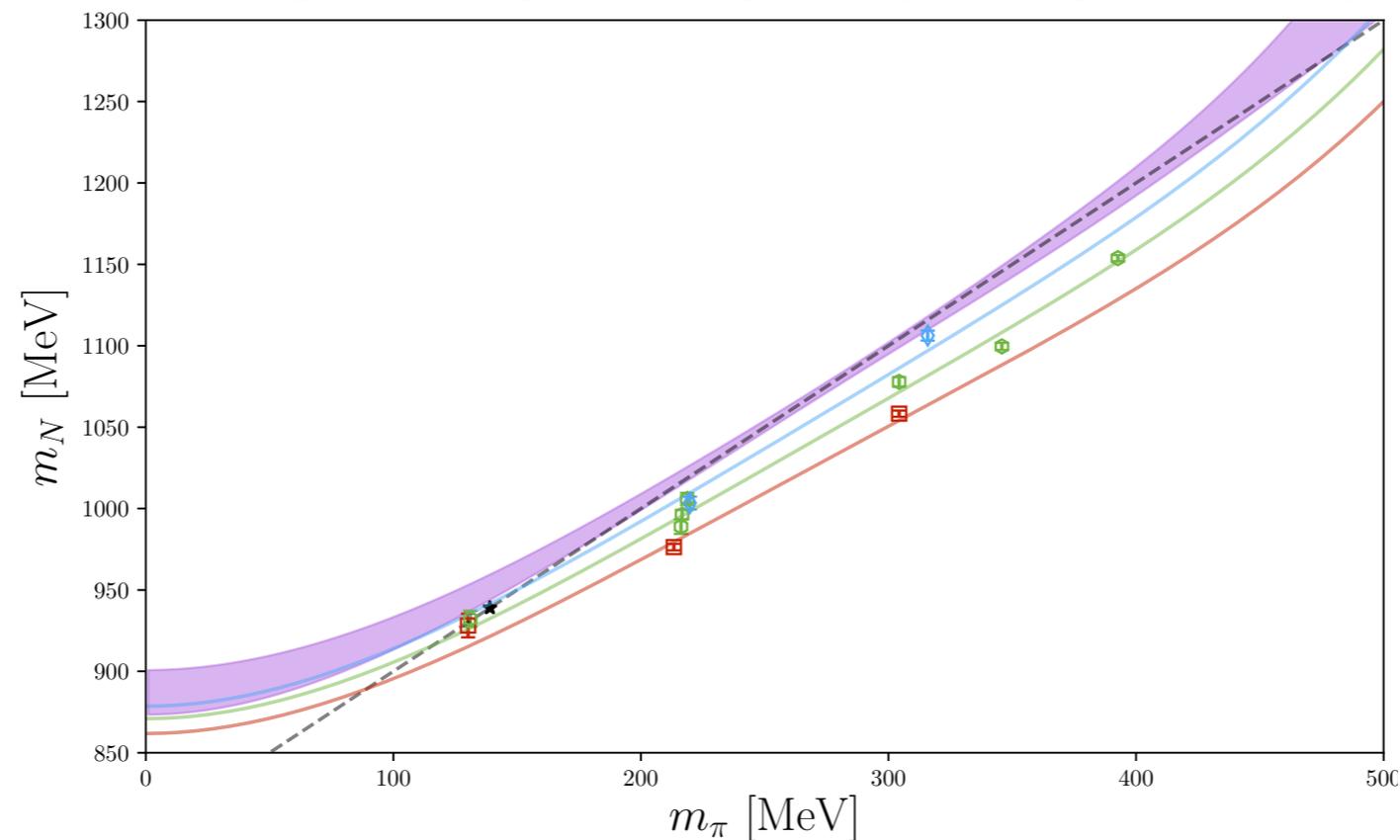
Some Lattice QCD Details

- Gradient-Flow reduces stochastic error, drives Z_A towards 1
- We hold flow time $t_{gf} = 1.0 a^2$
- We verify flow time independence in continuum limit





- NNLO fit $O(m_\pi^4) + a^2/\omega_0^2 + a^2/\omega_0^2 \times m_\pi^2/(4\pi F)$
- gA taken from our calculation (see Chia Cheng Chang's talk Tues)
- continuum, infinite volume extrapolated mass is consistent with RULER



- The approximate linear dependence of M_N on m_π seems to be robust - is there some well founded theoretical reason?
- Future work
 - Work to NNNLO
 - Do our own scale setting
 - include NNLO FV corrections
 - simultaneous fit with g_A and F_π
- Our correlation functions and analysis will be made available to interested parties with the publication of the work

Thank You