

Heavy Quark Potential

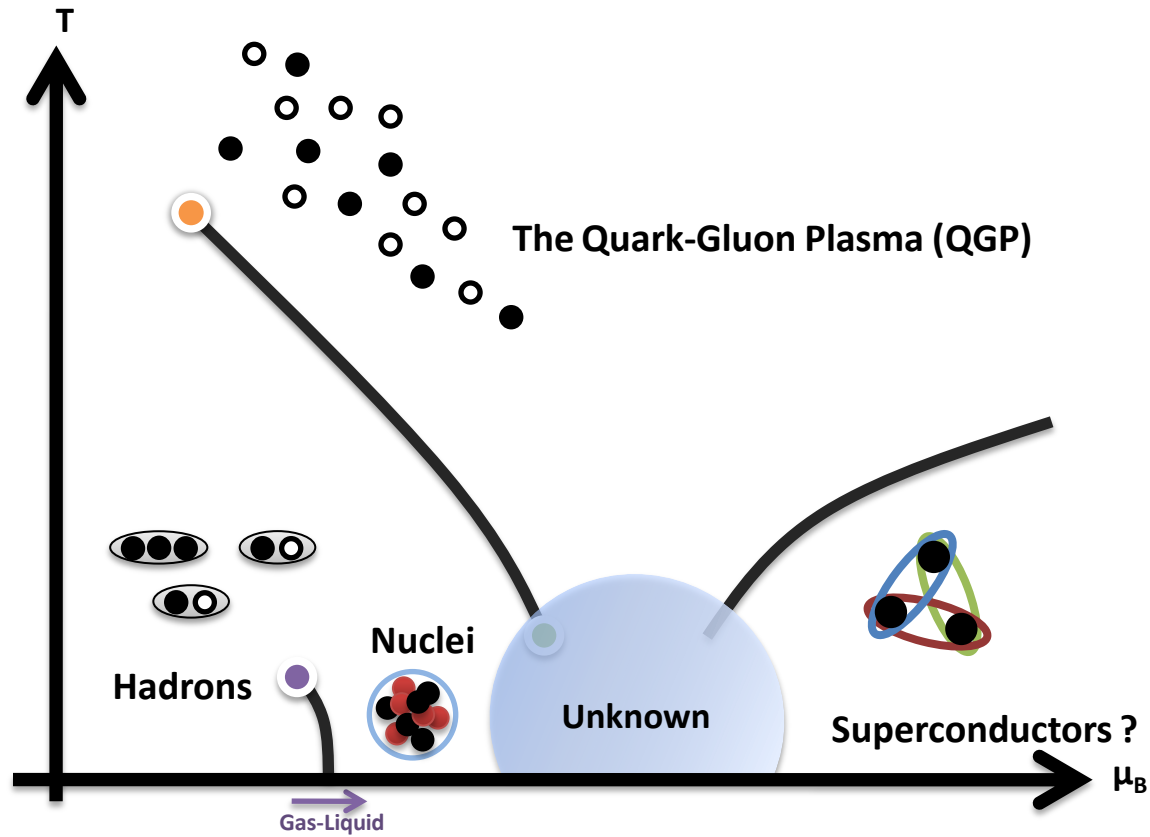
from the thermal Wilson Loop in Lattice QCD

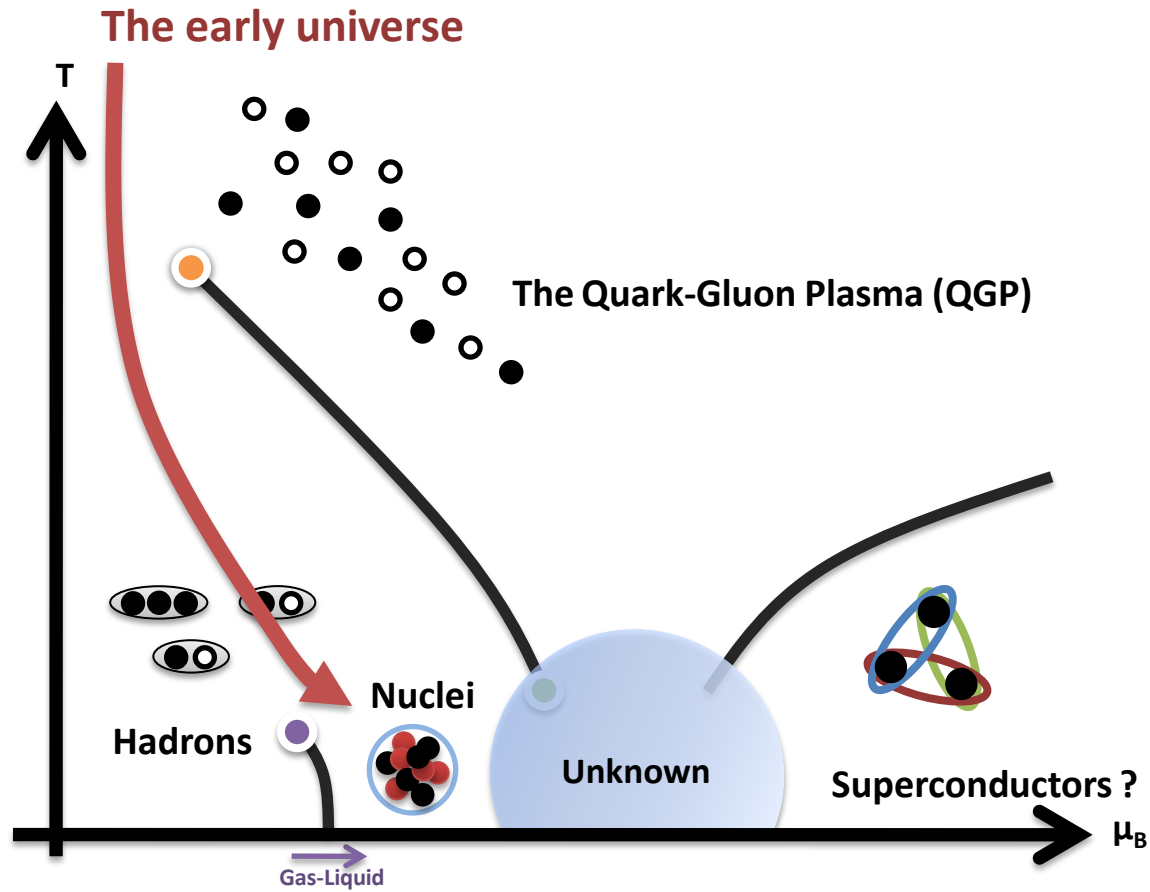
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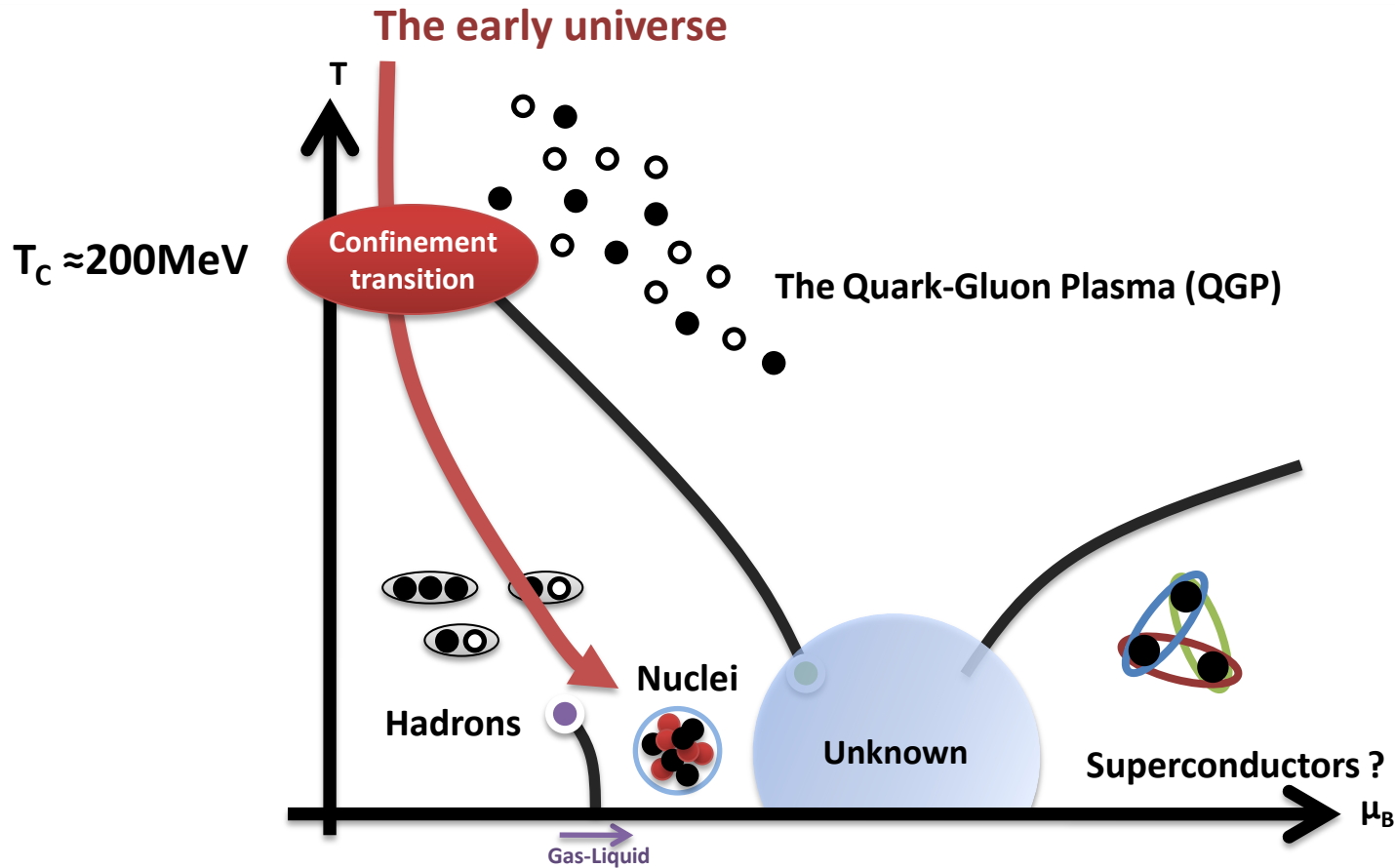
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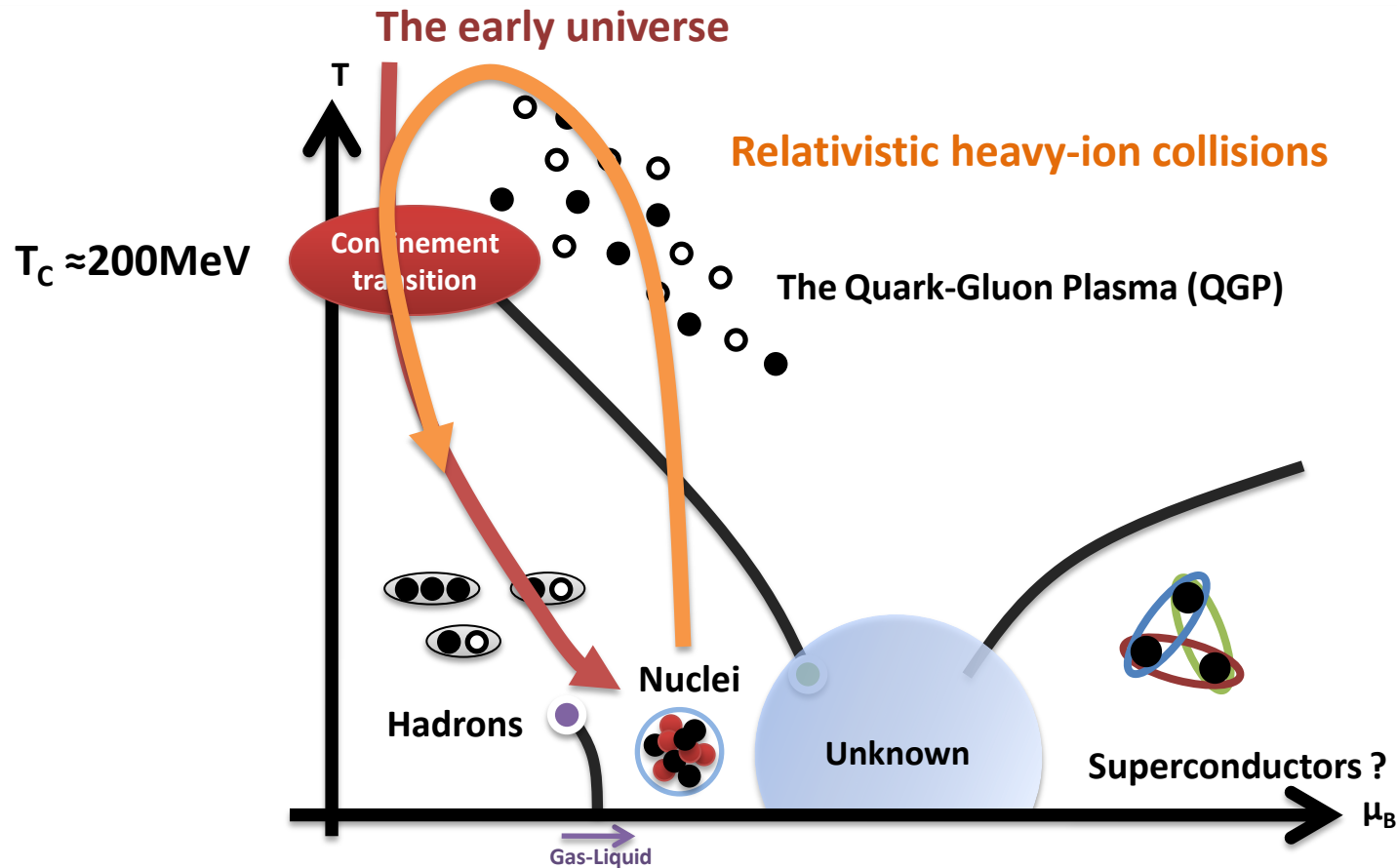




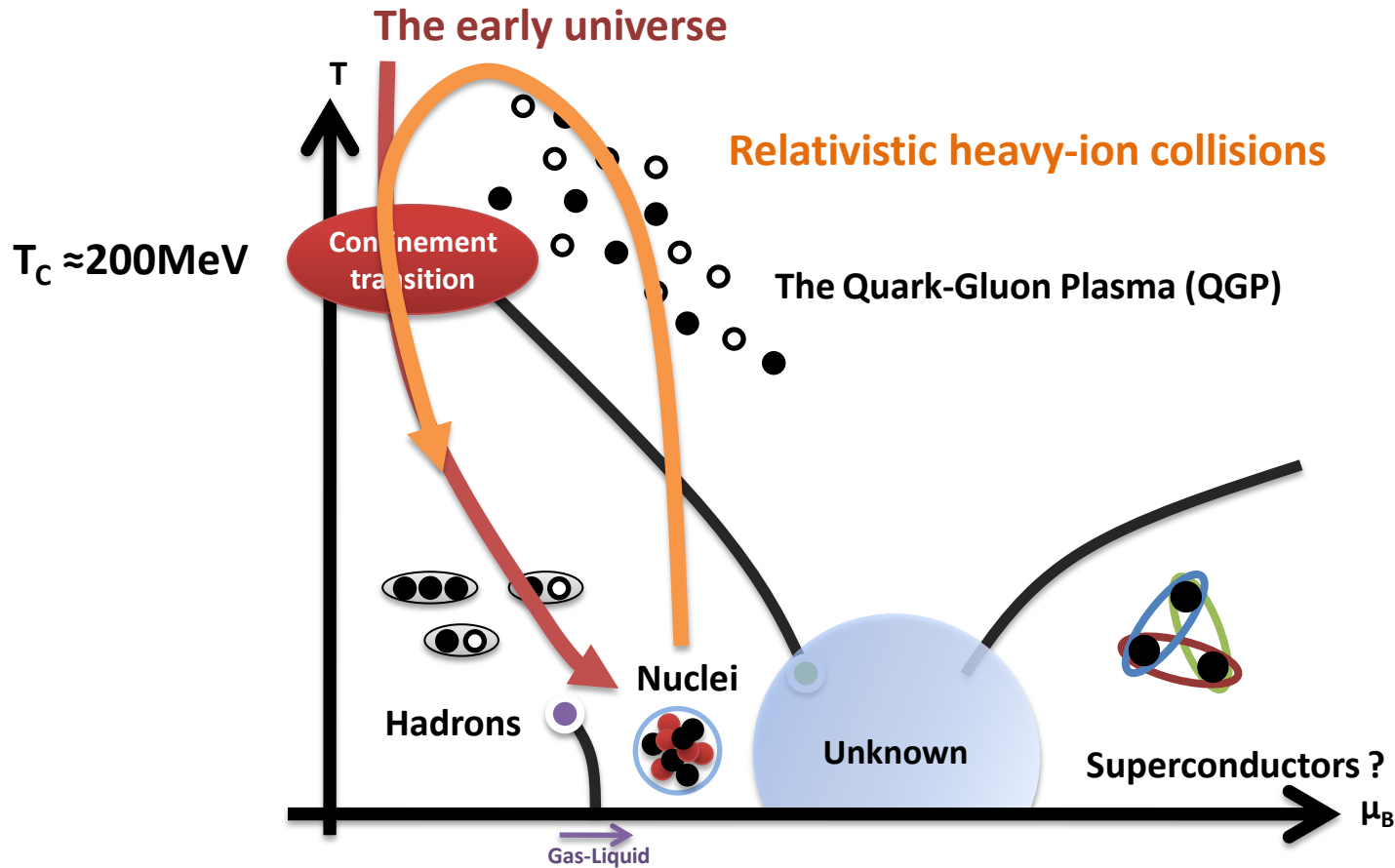




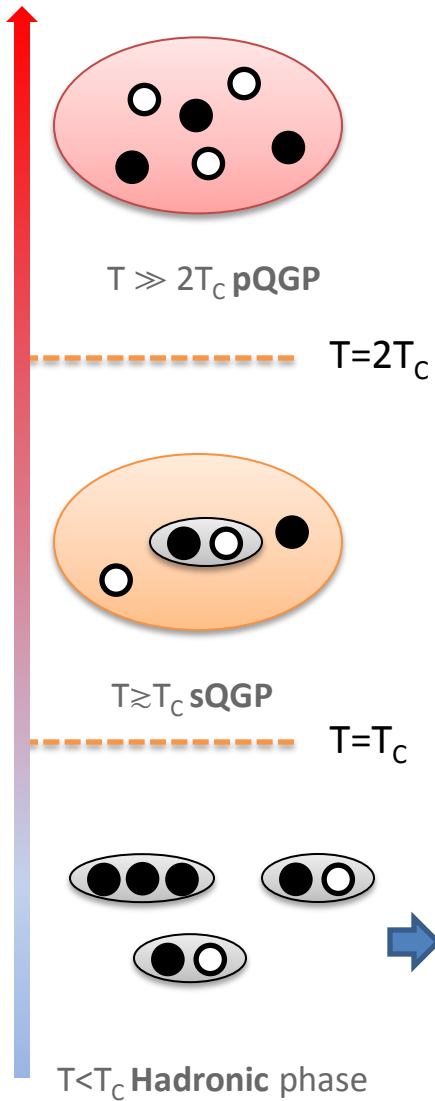
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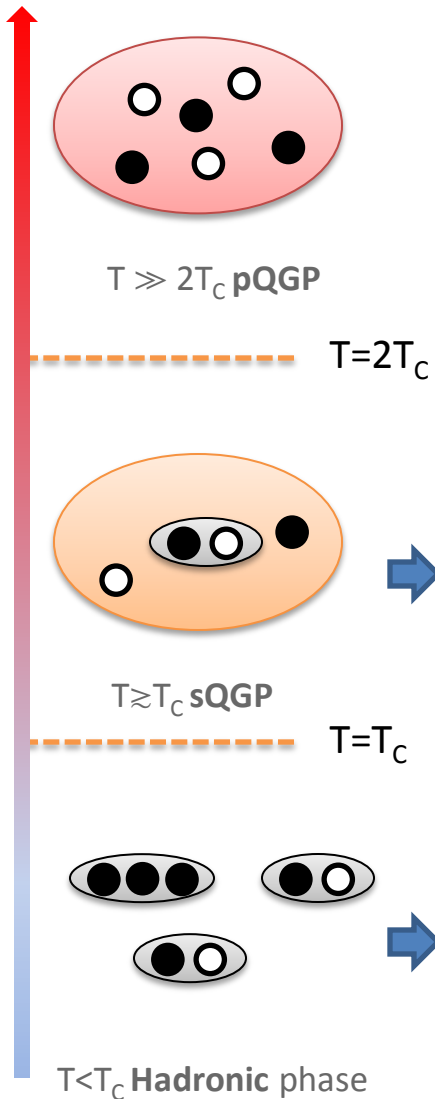


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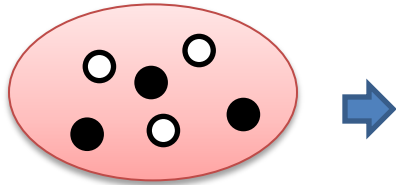
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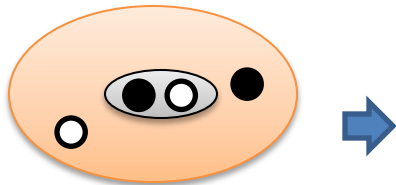
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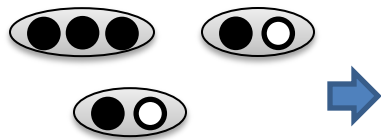
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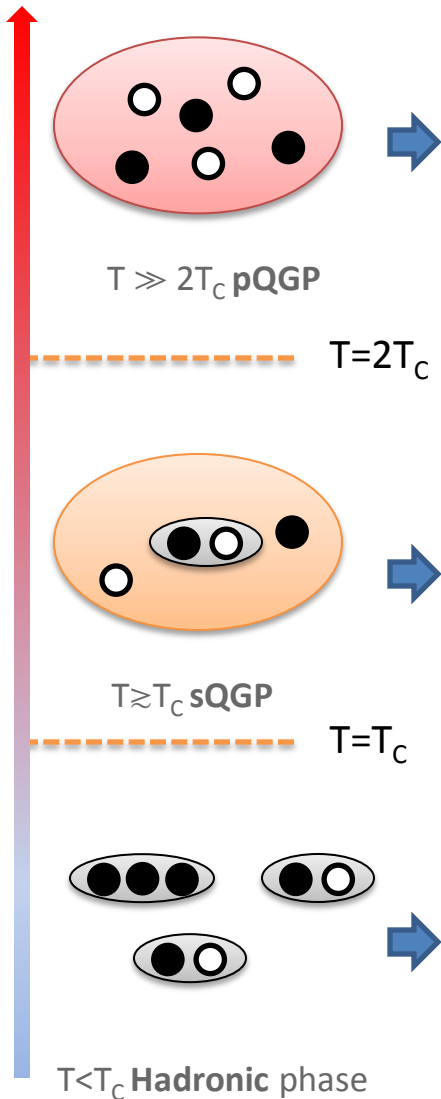
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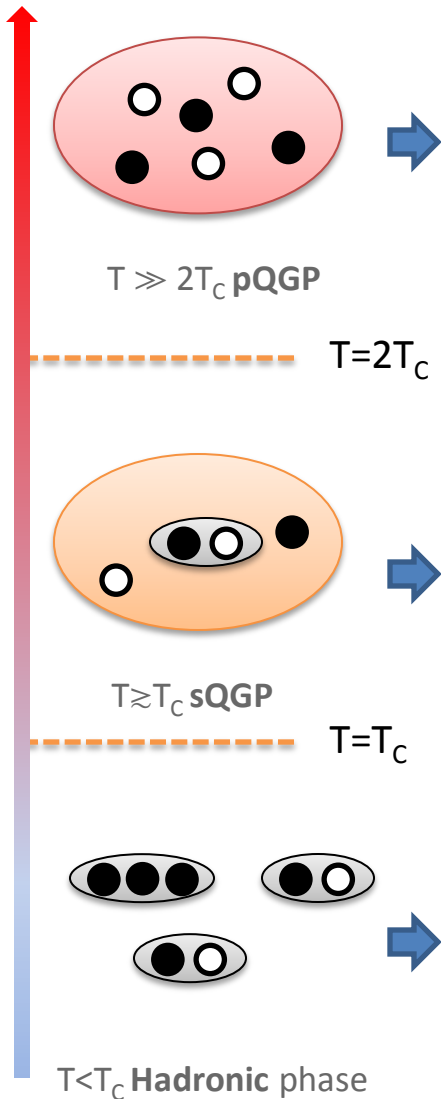
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Spectra from LQCD

Asakawa, Hatsuda, Nakahara 2001

- Obtained from non-perturbative Lattice QCD using Bayesian inference
- Maximum Entropy Method:** numerically difficult but well established
- Identification of bound state by eye only

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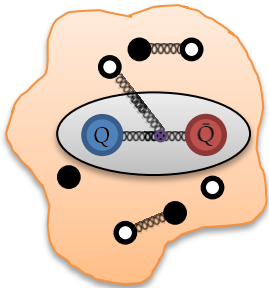
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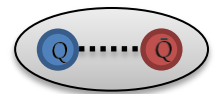
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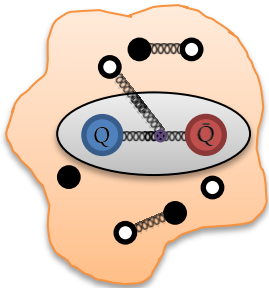
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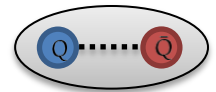
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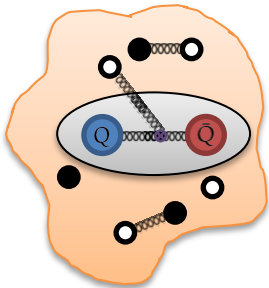
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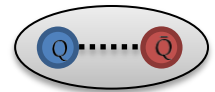
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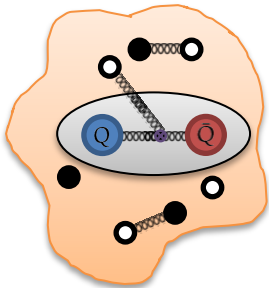
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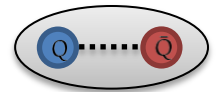
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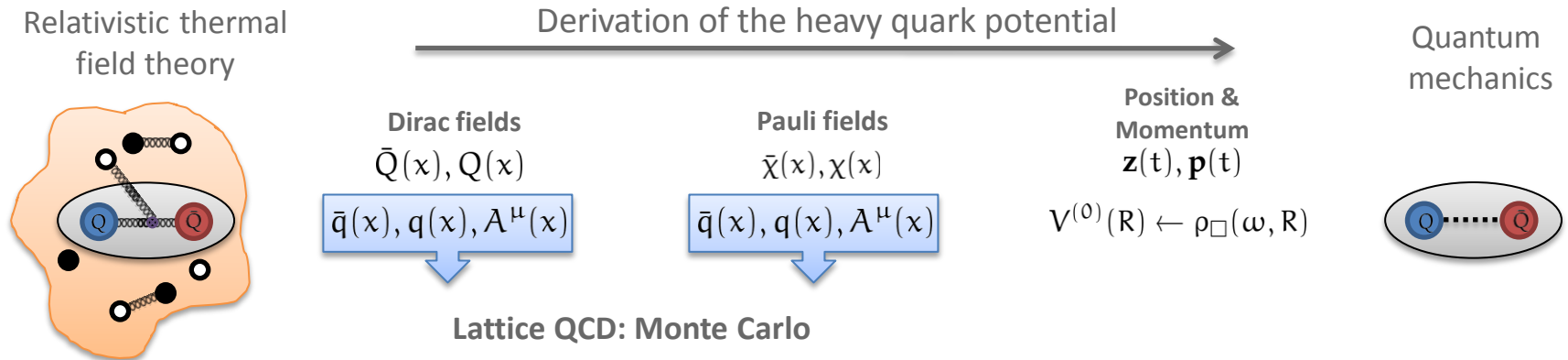


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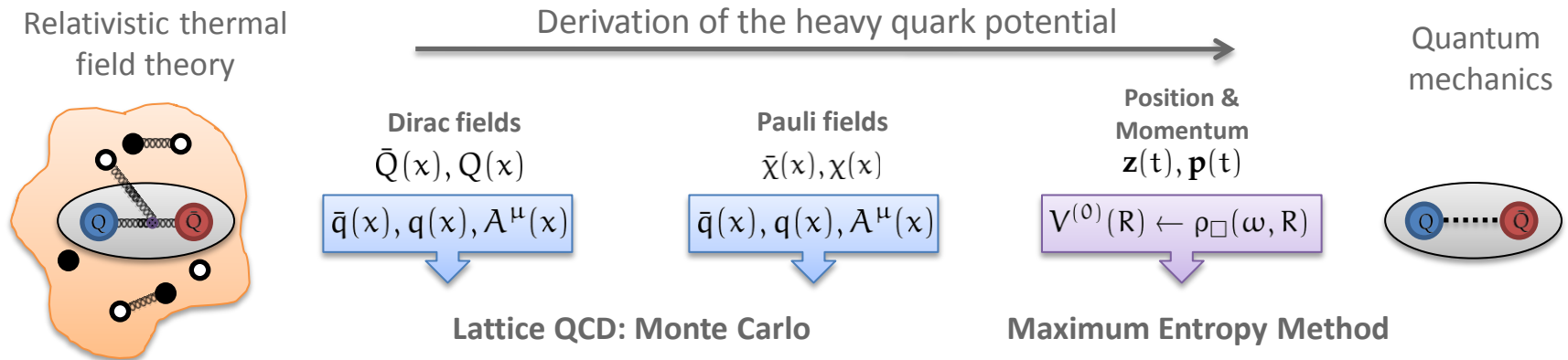


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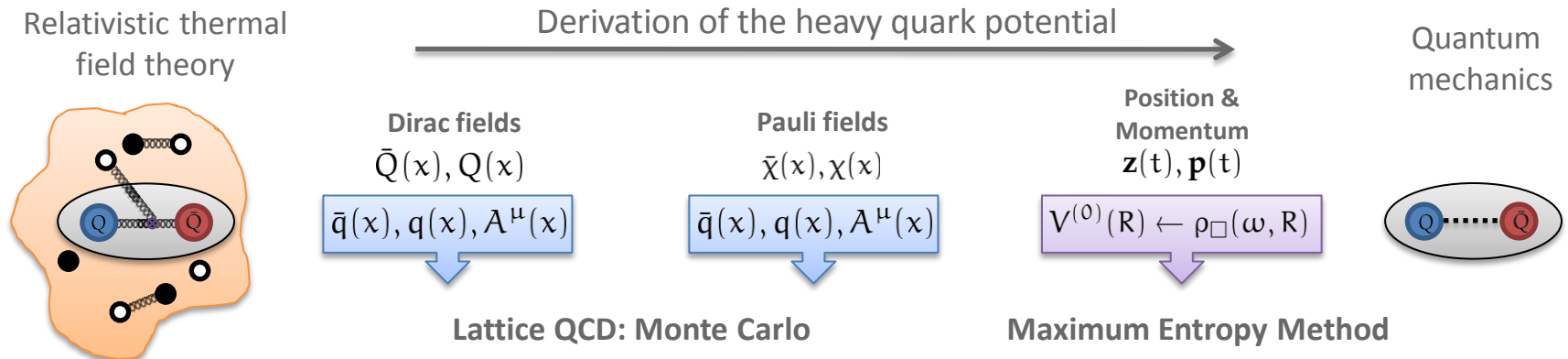


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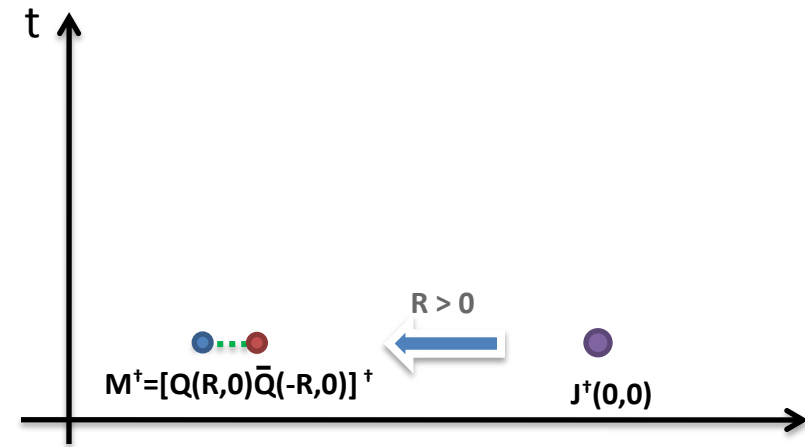


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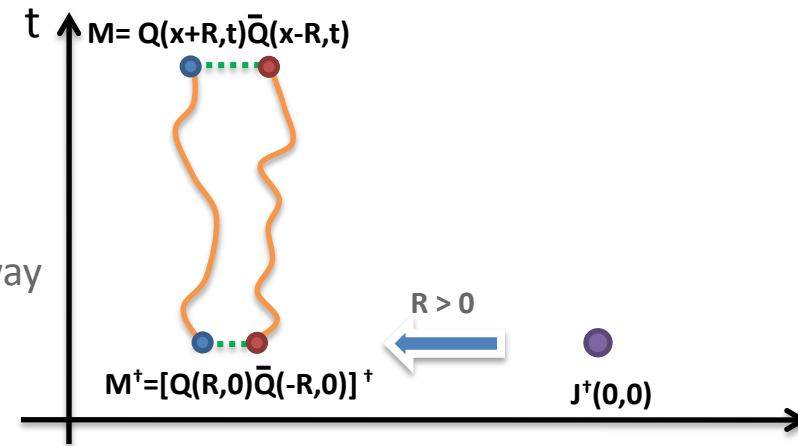
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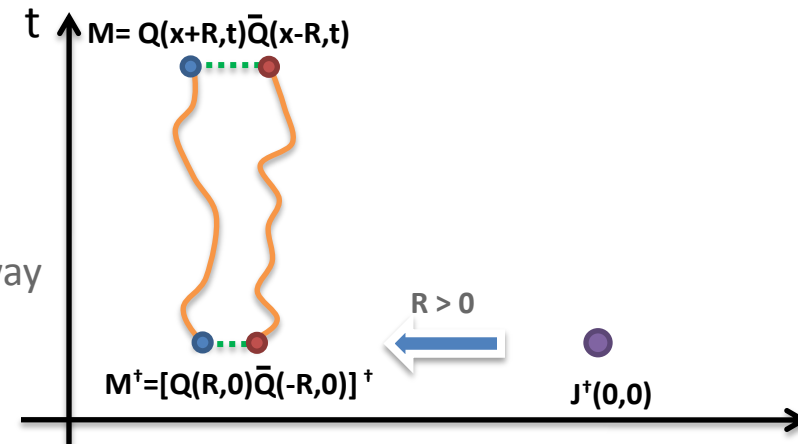
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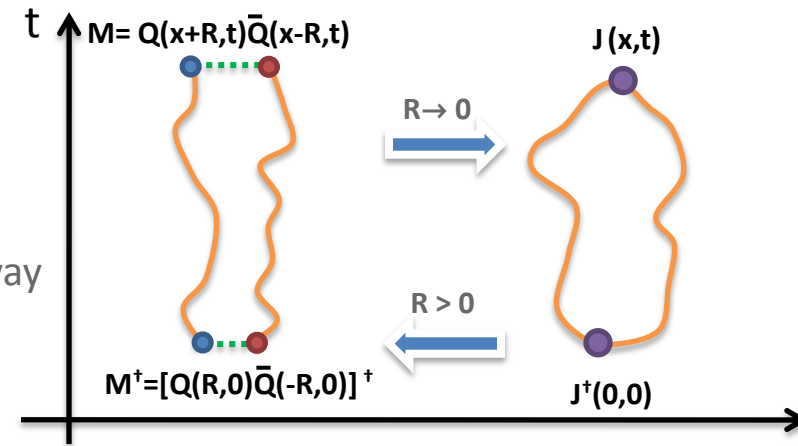
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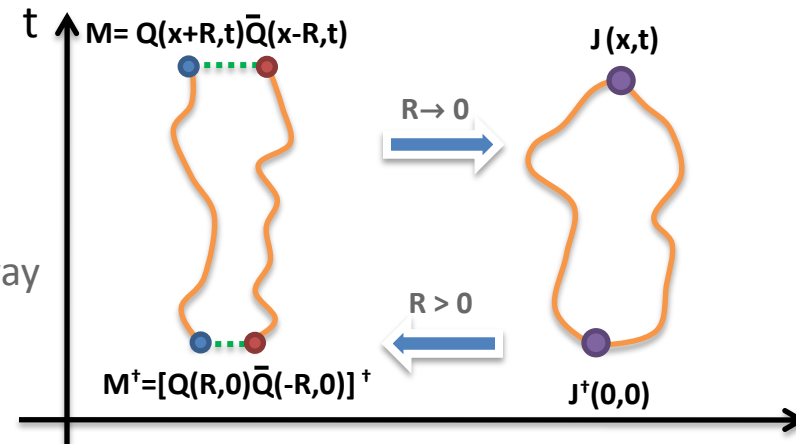
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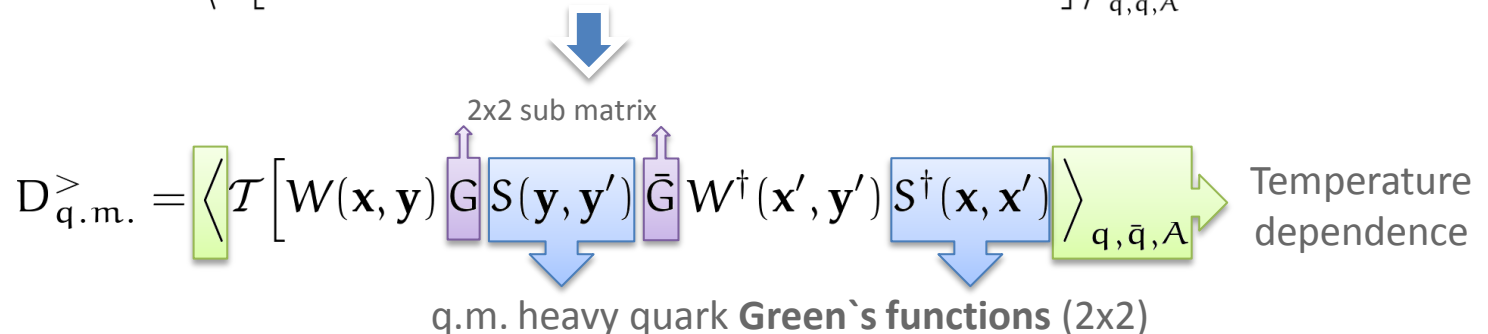
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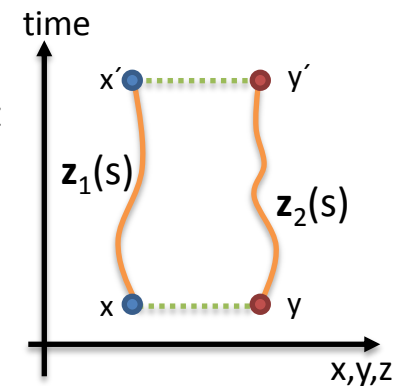
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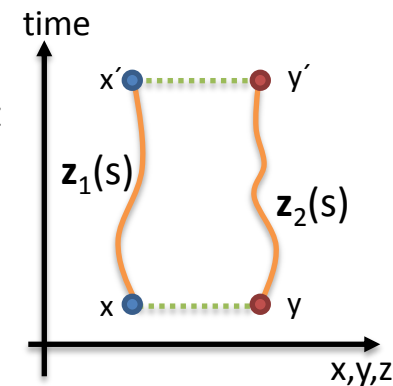
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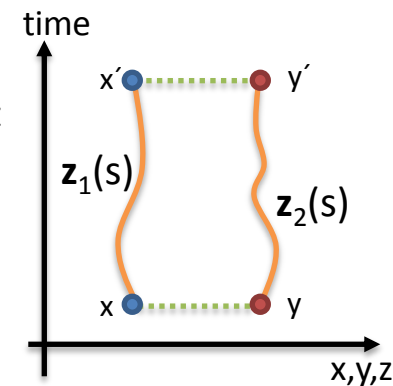
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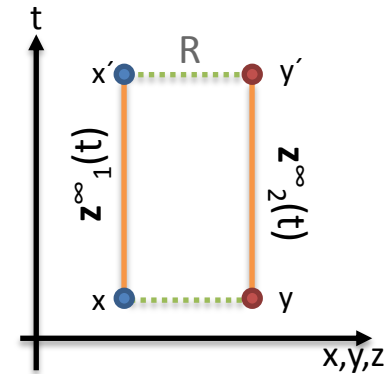
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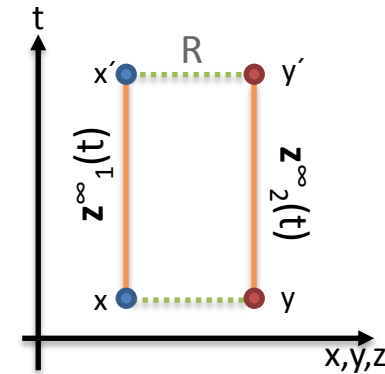
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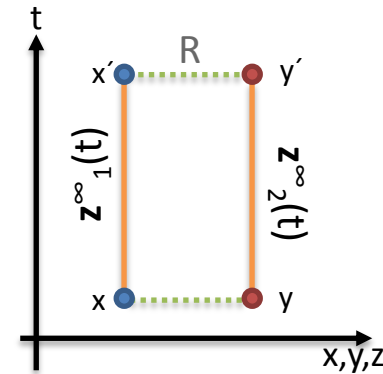
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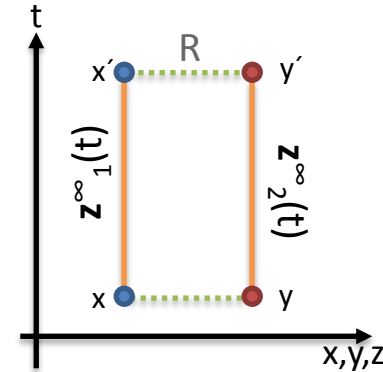
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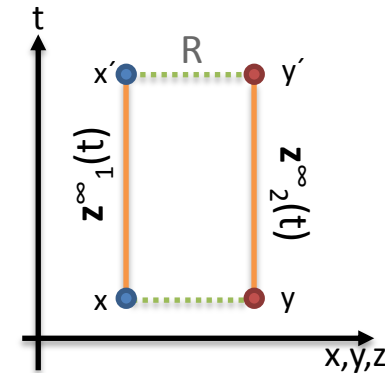
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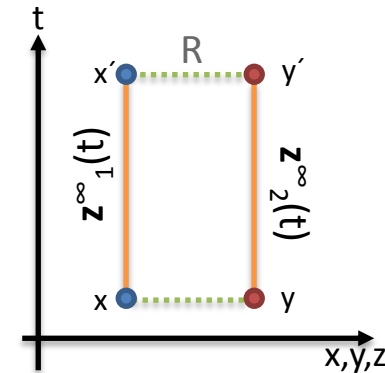
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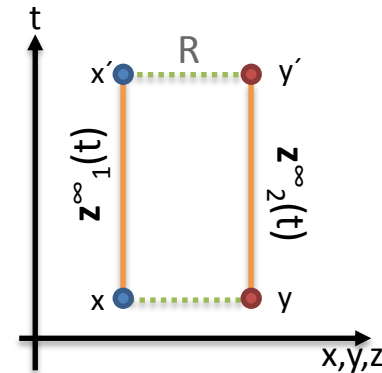
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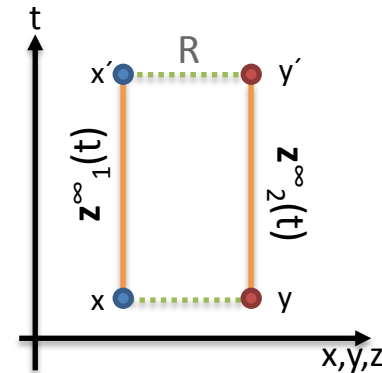
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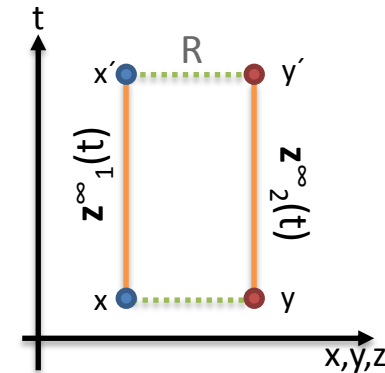
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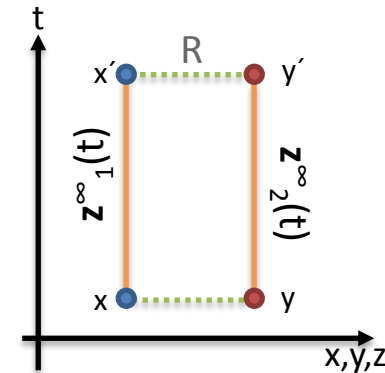
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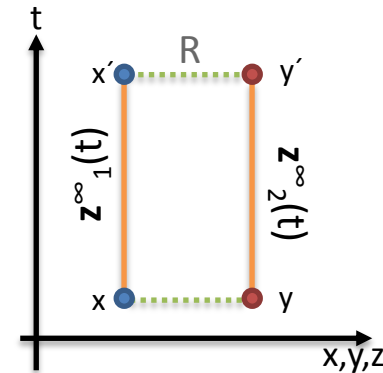
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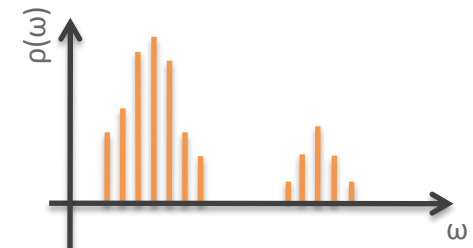
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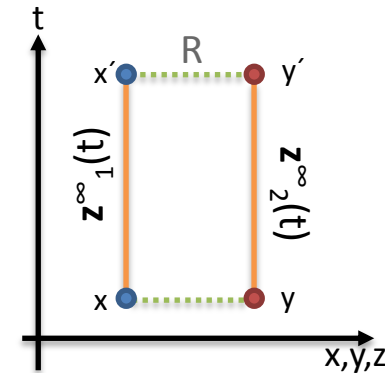
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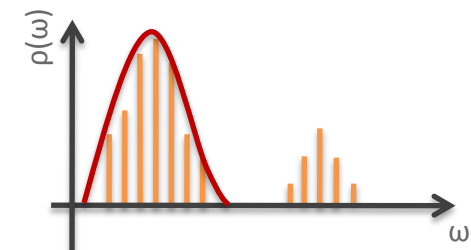
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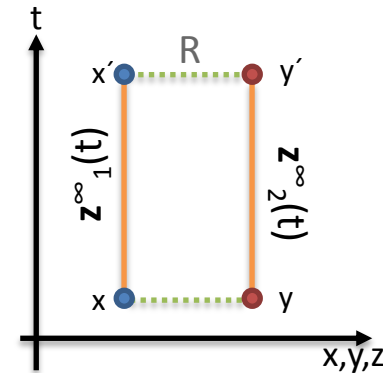
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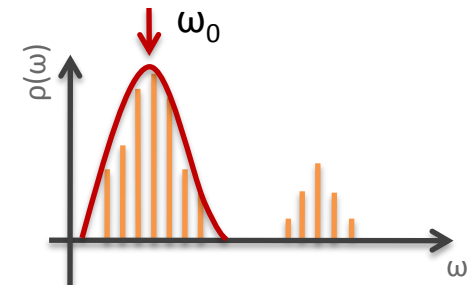
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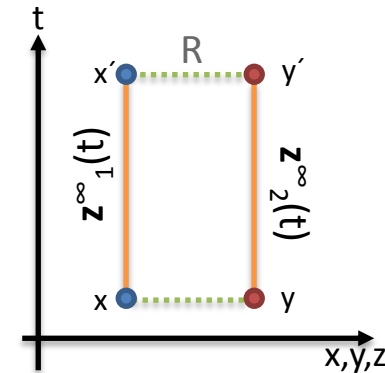
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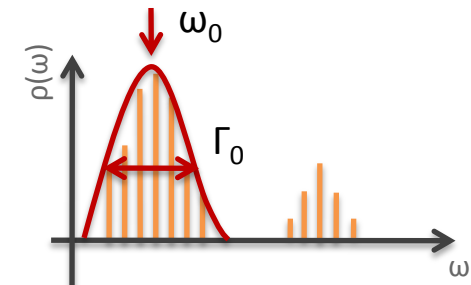
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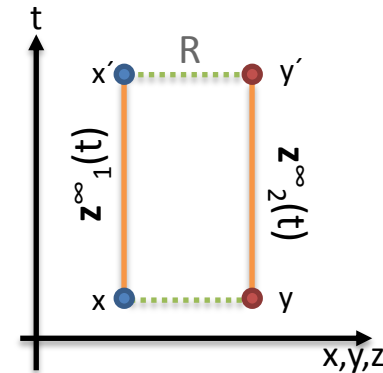
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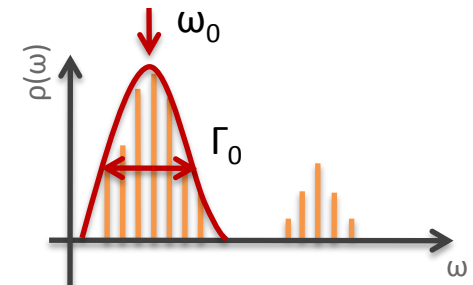
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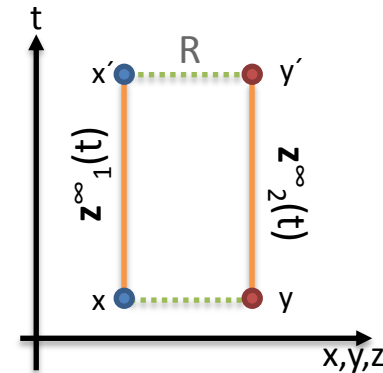
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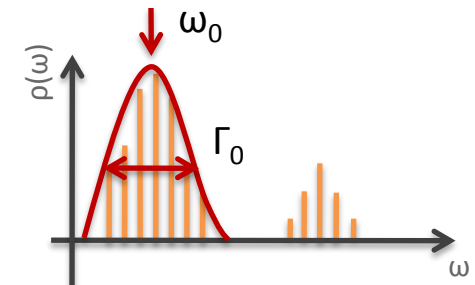
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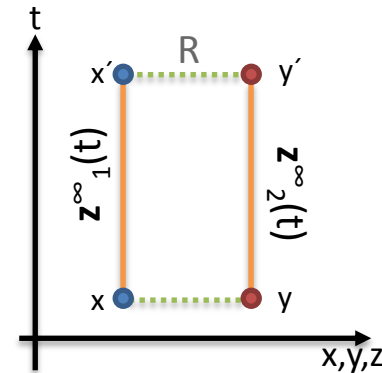
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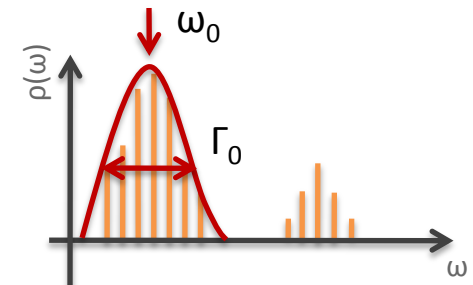


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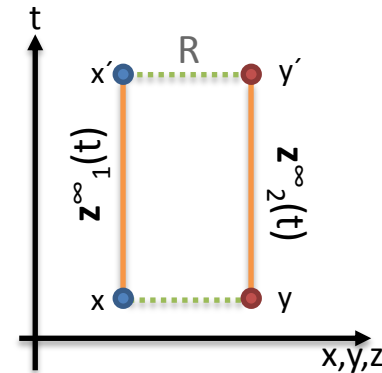
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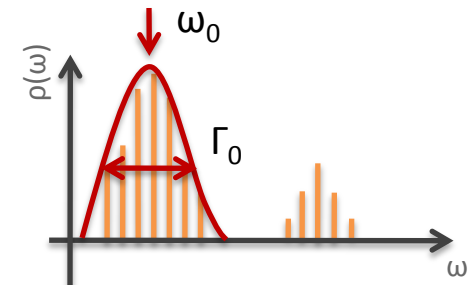


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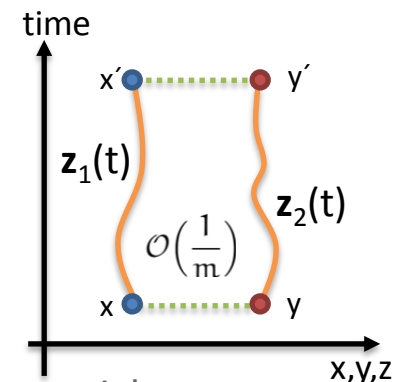
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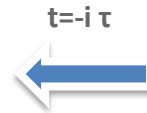
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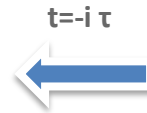
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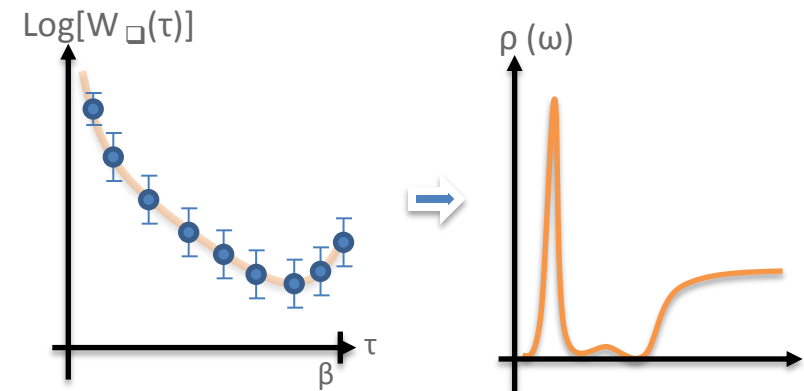
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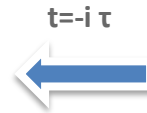
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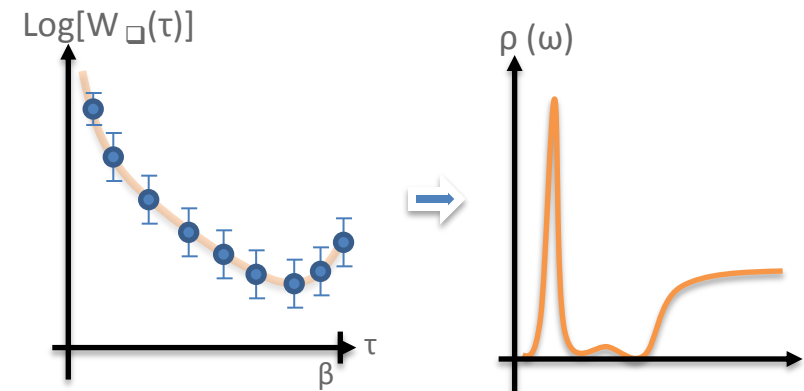


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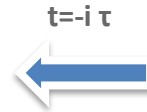
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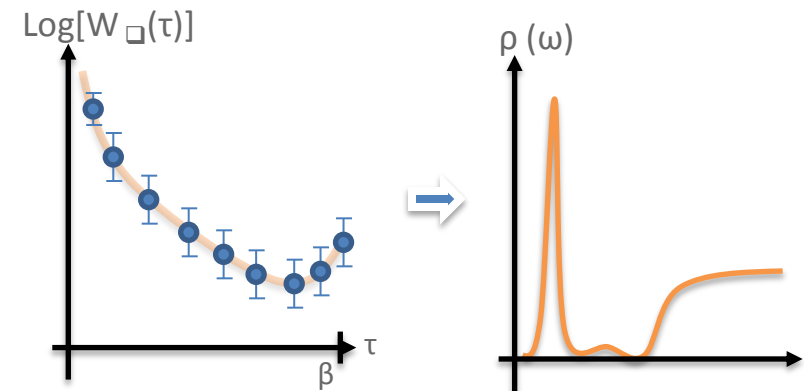


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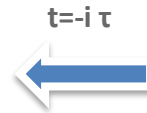
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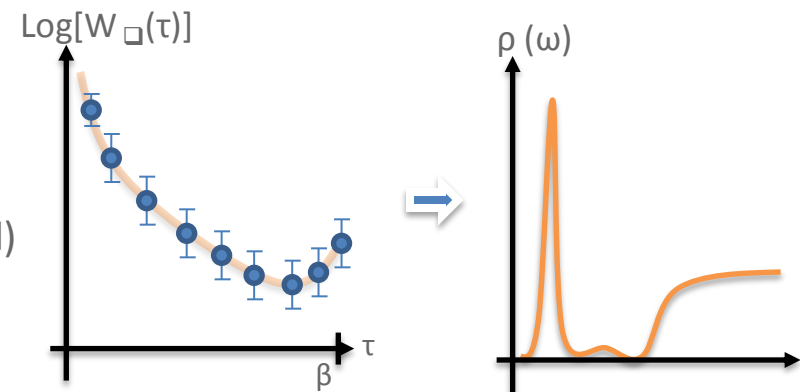
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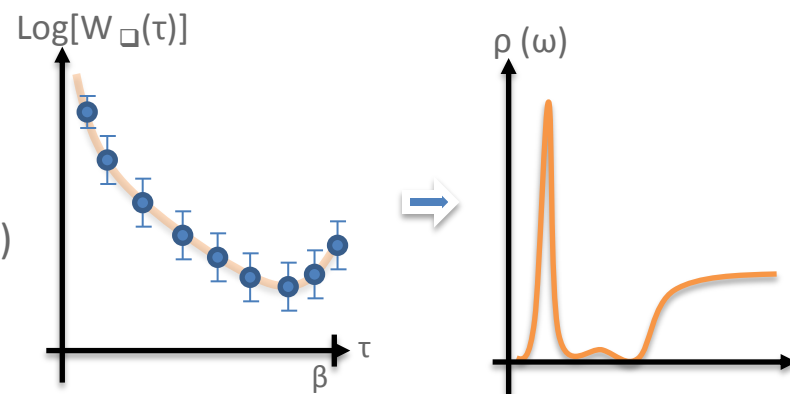
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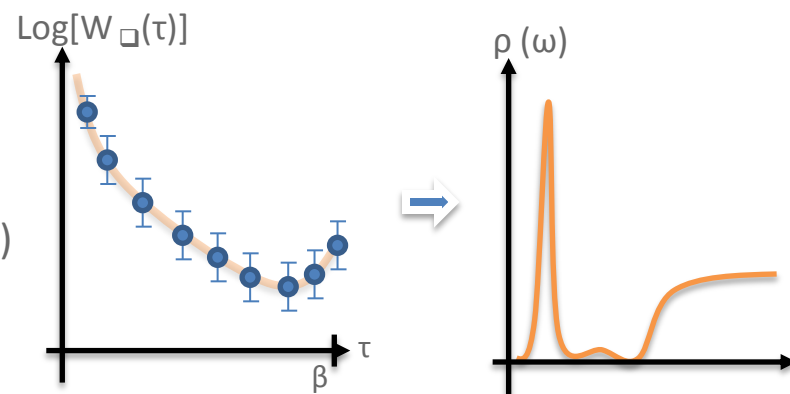
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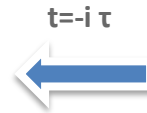
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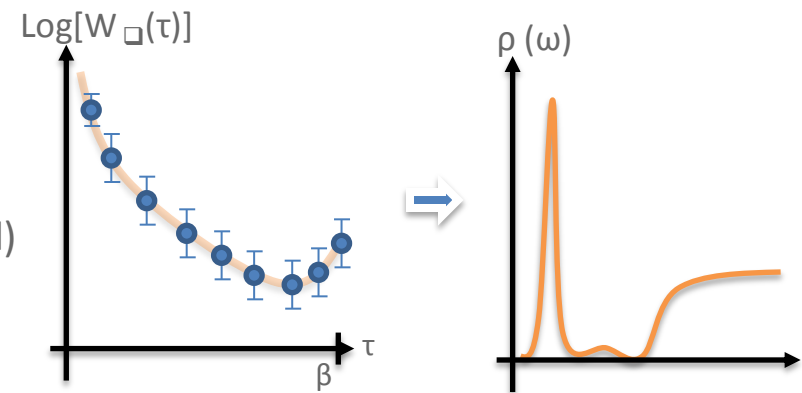
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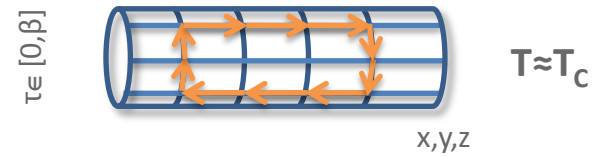
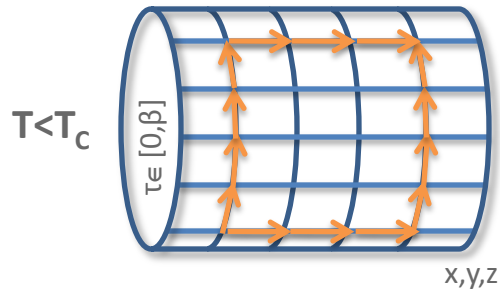
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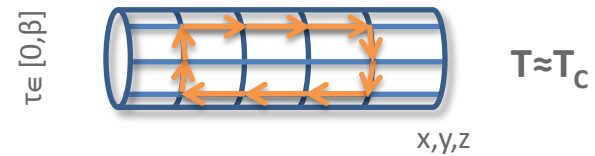
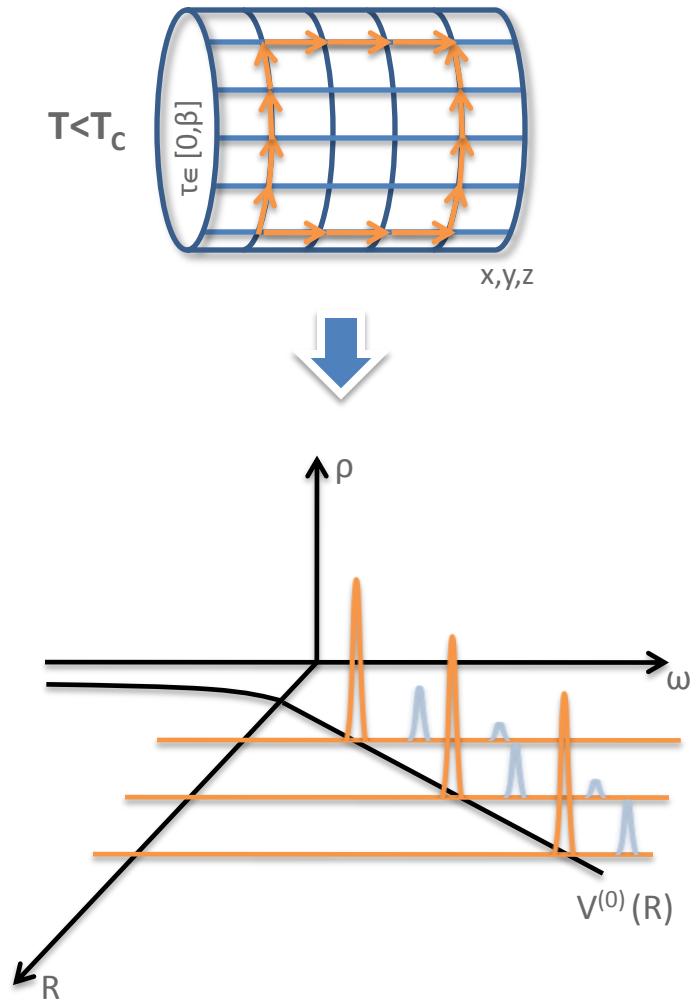
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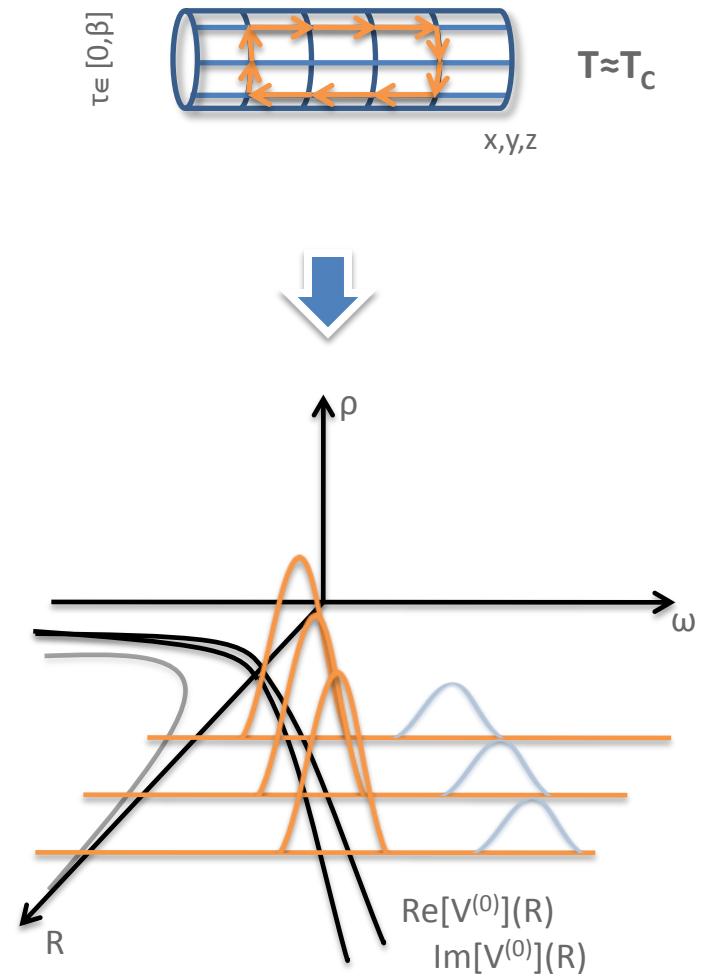
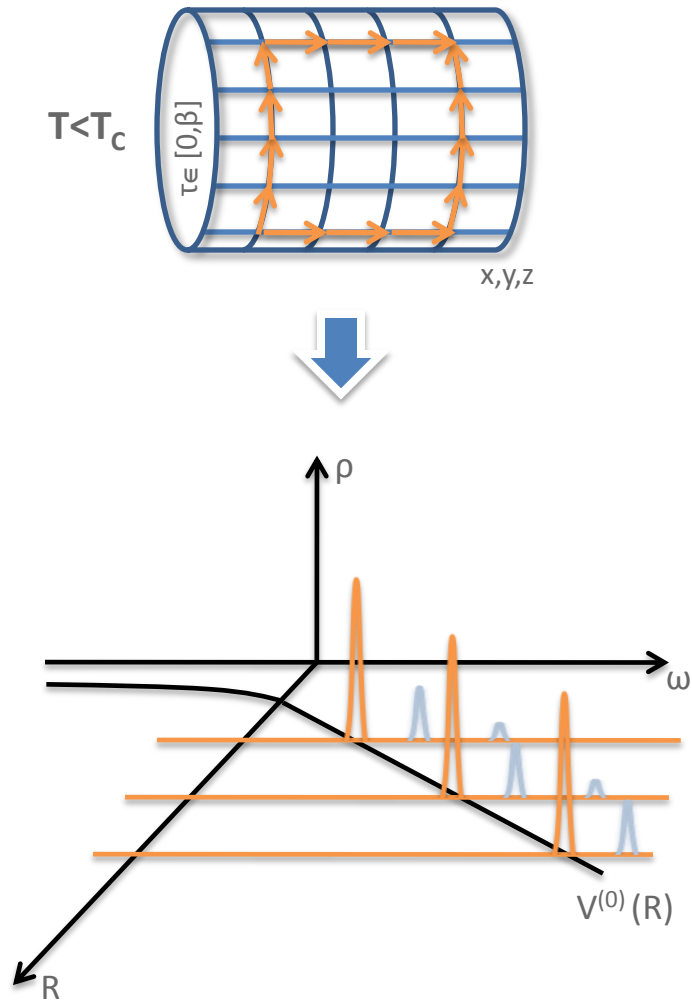
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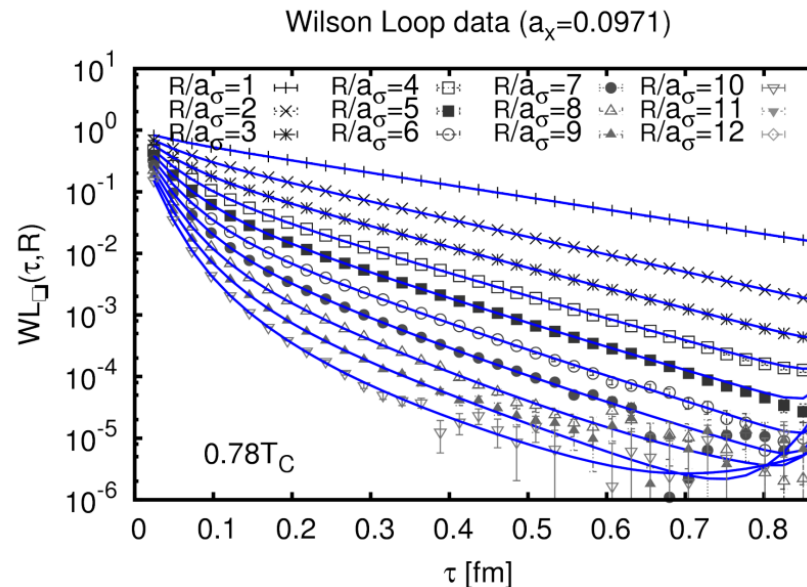
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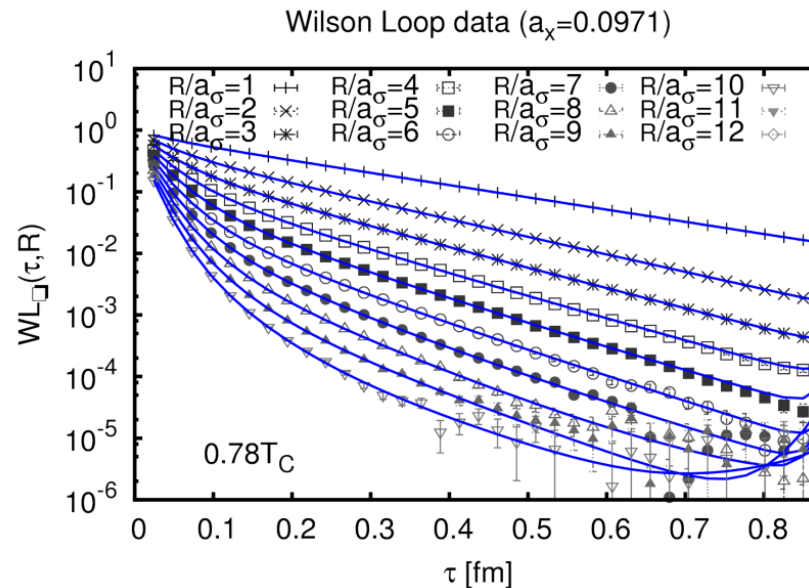


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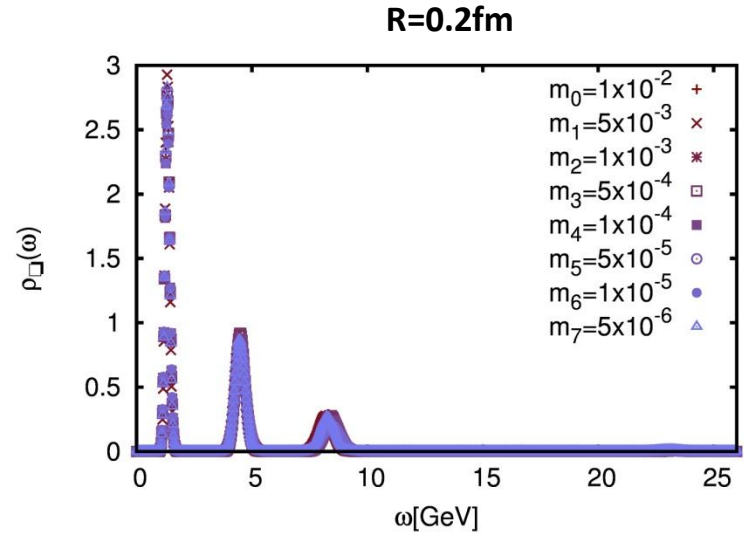
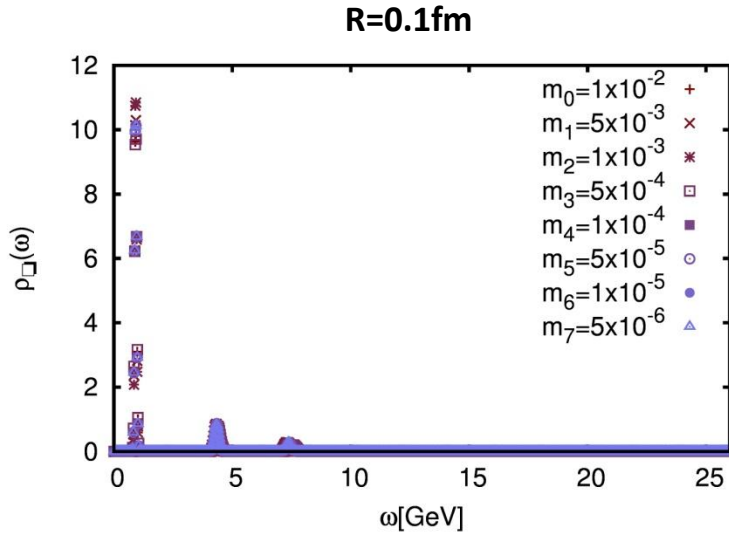
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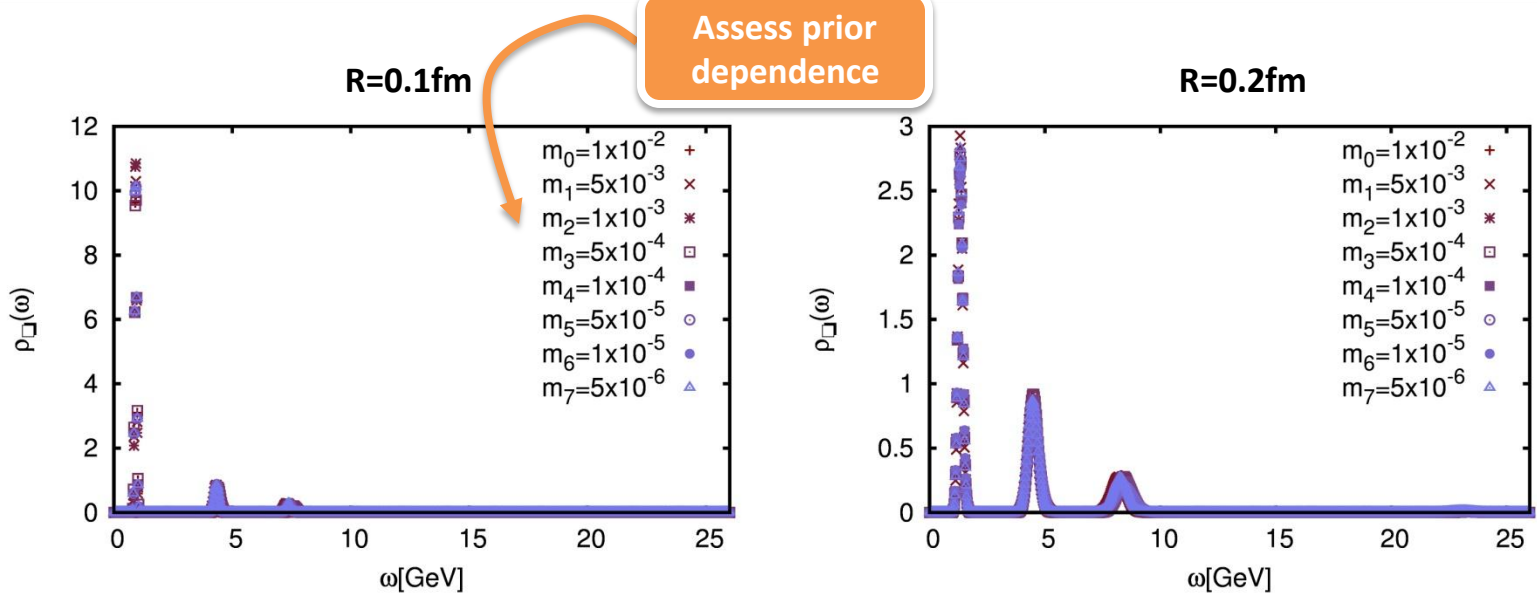
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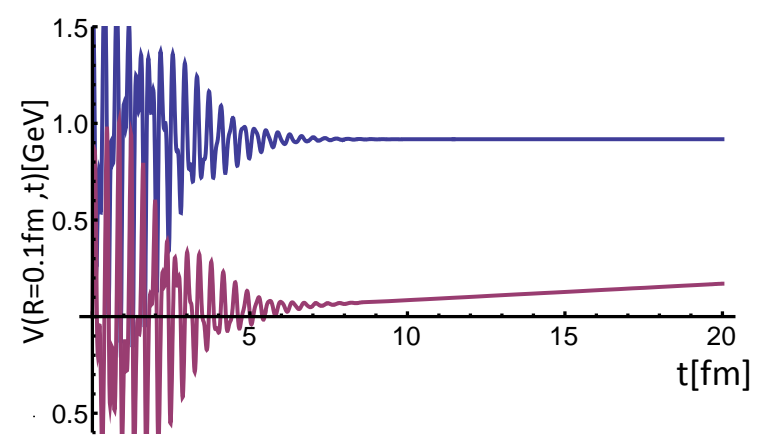
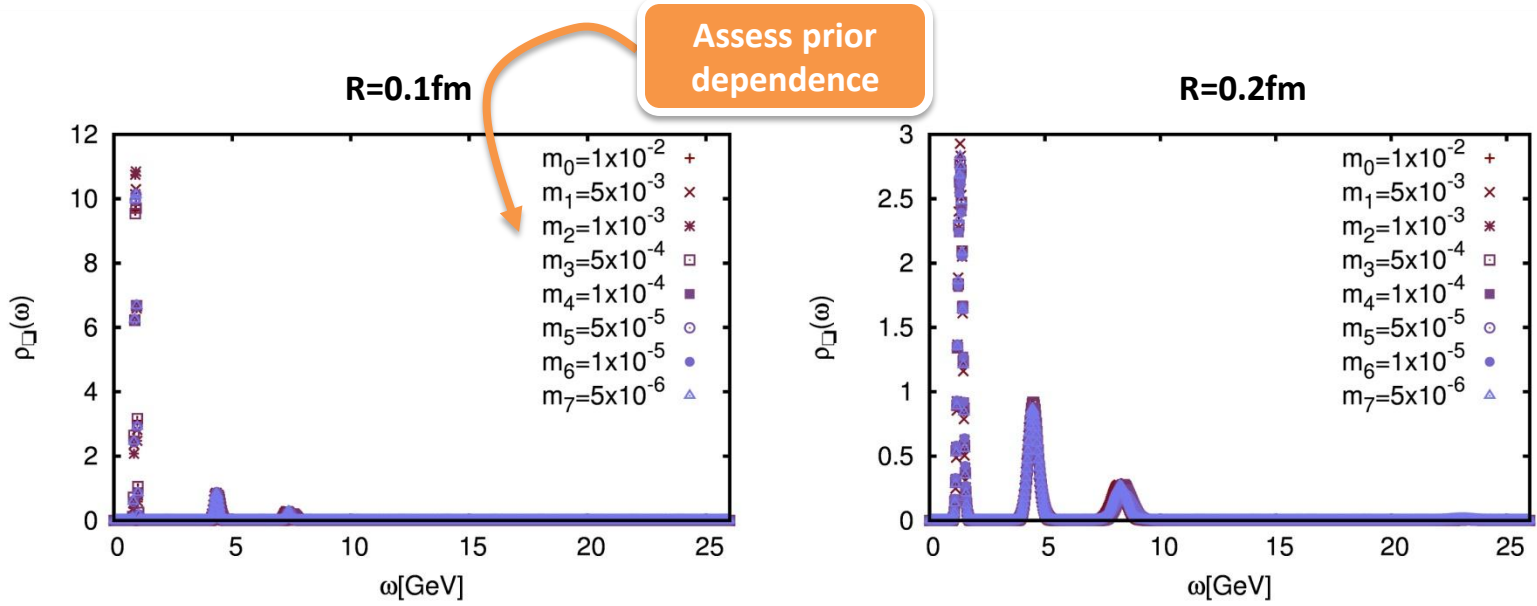
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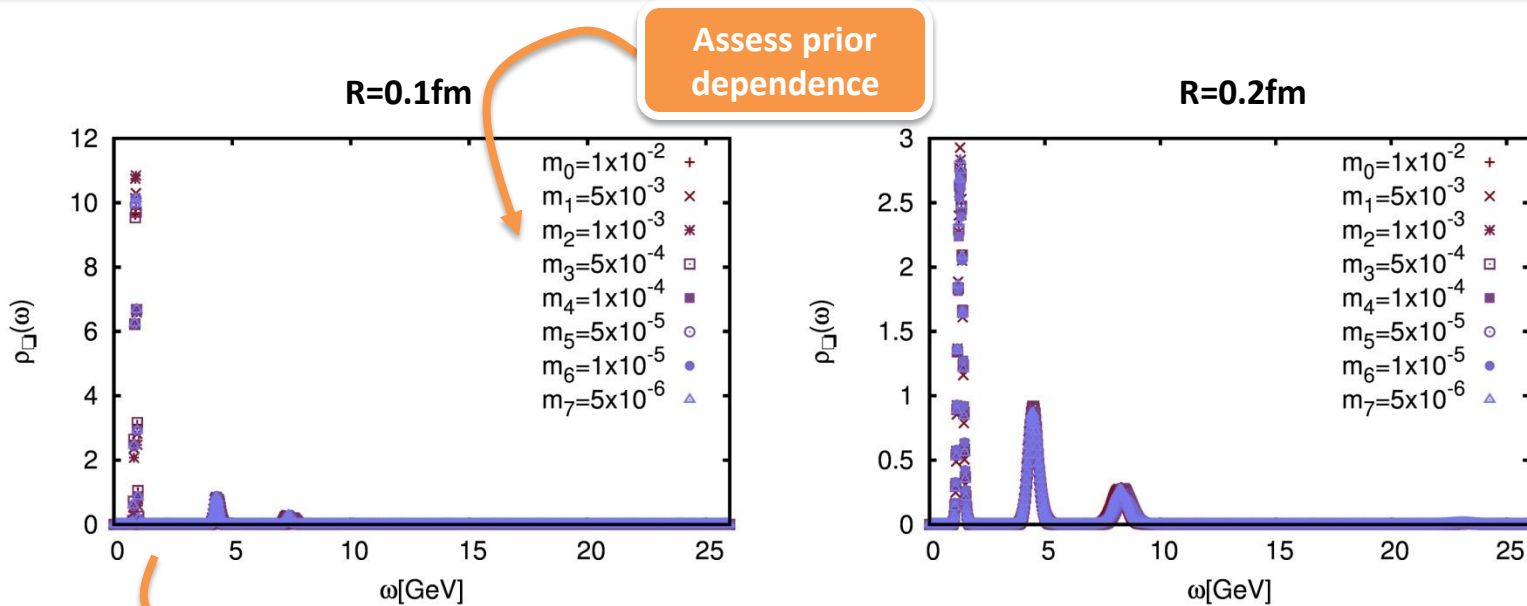


Note that the Wilson Loop is non-symmetric since heavy quarks are not thermalized

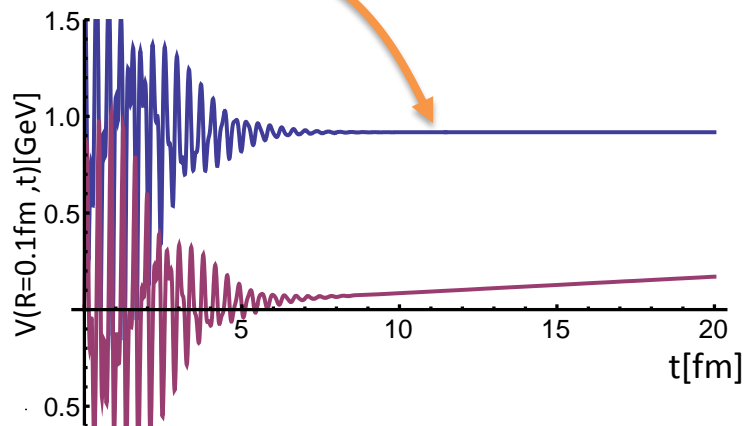


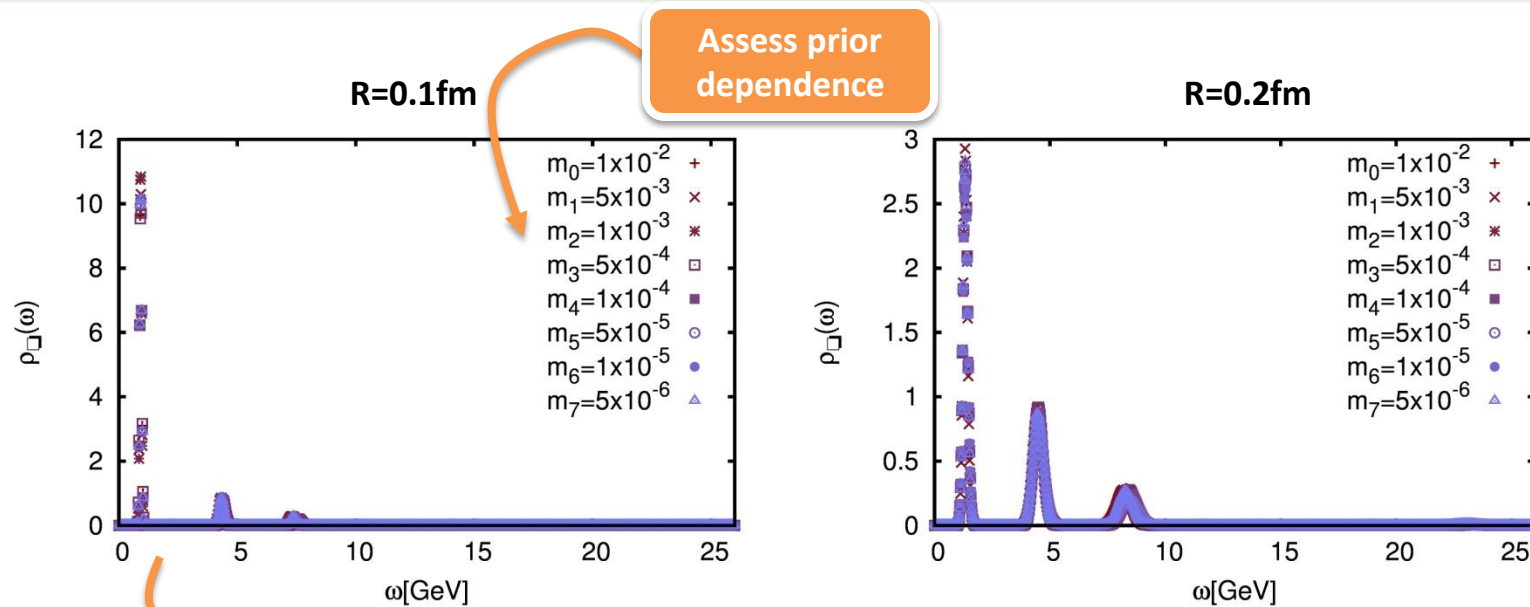




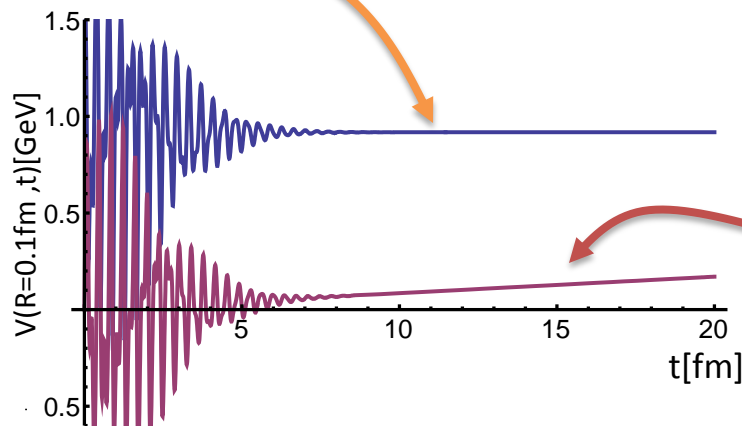


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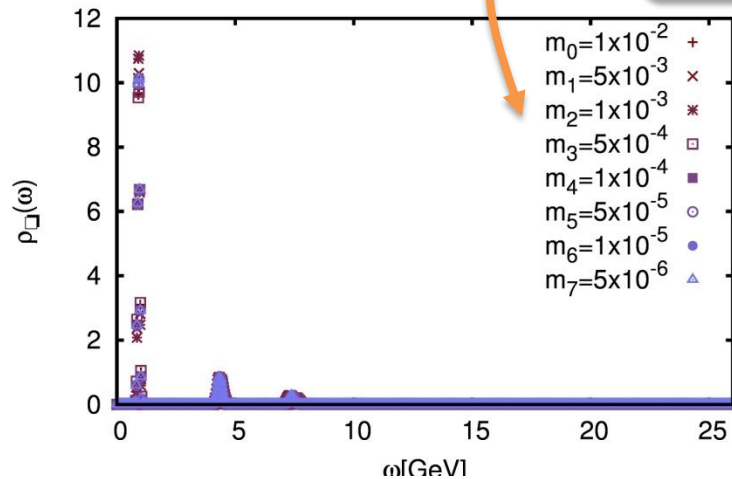
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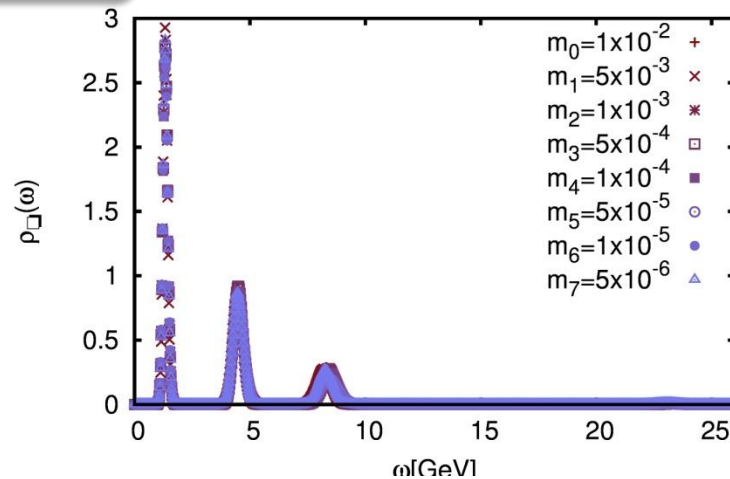
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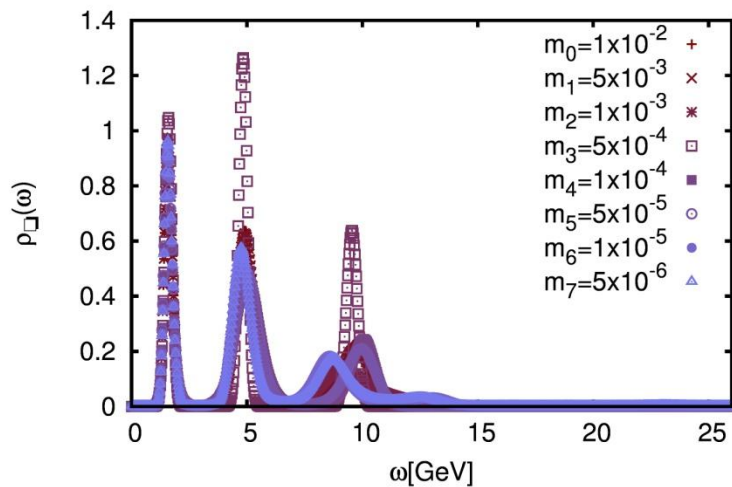
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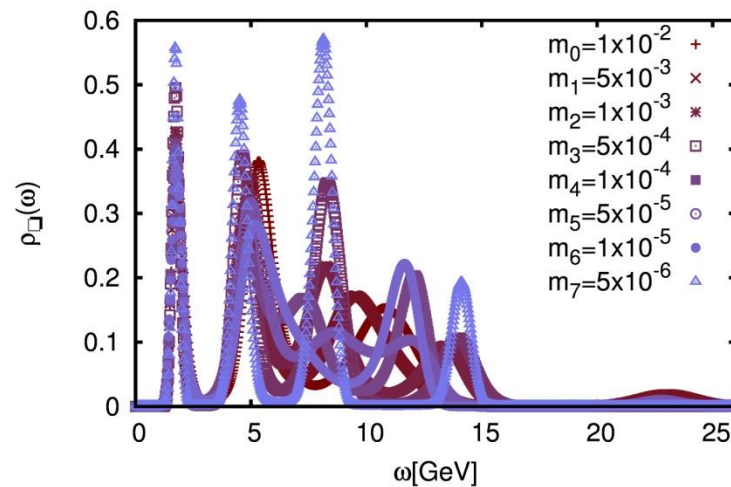
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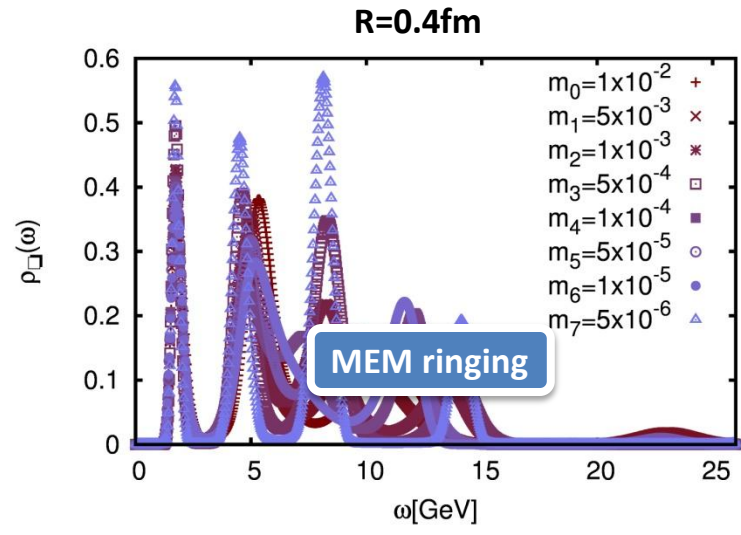
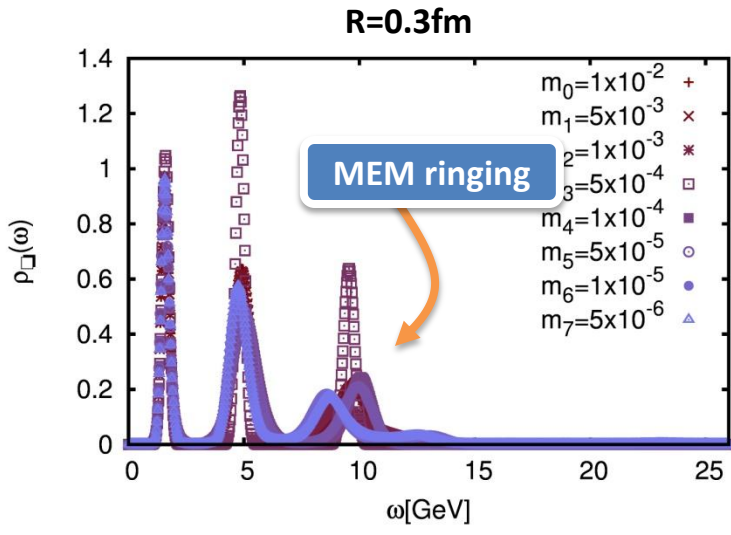
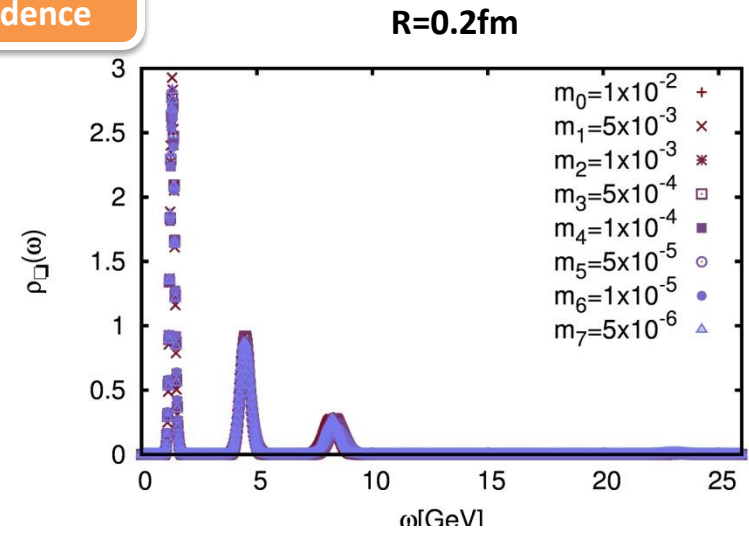
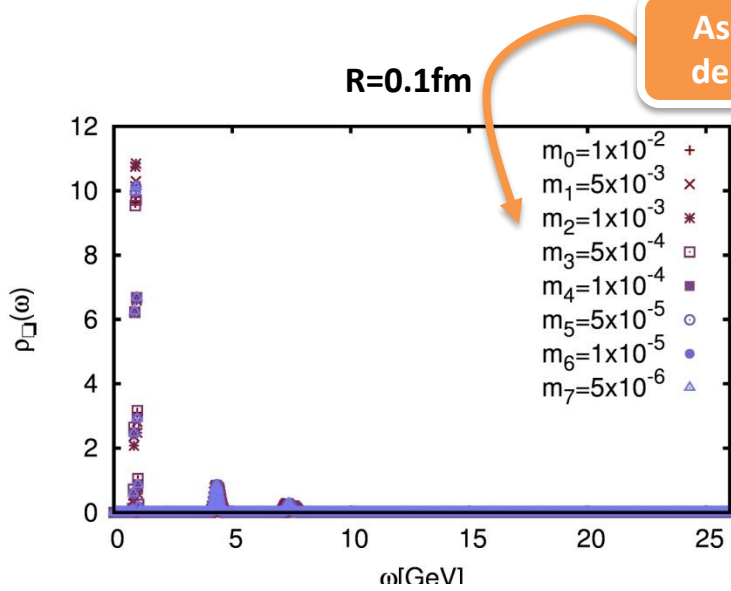


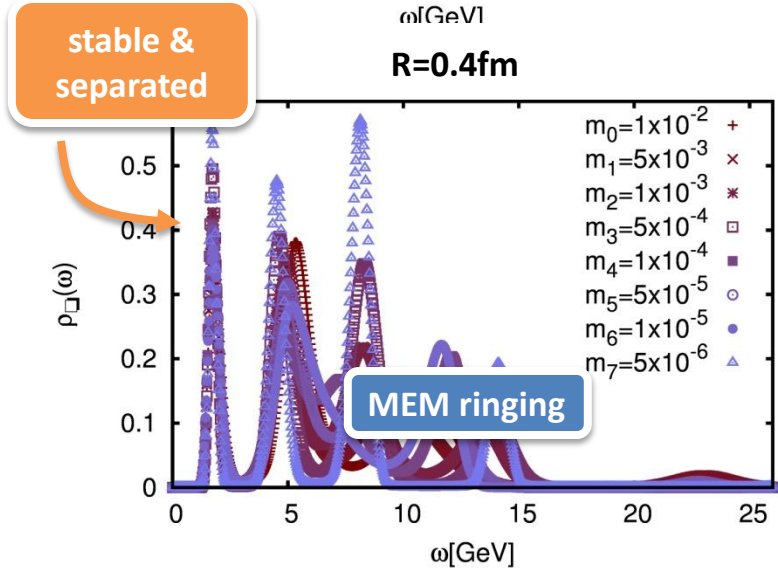
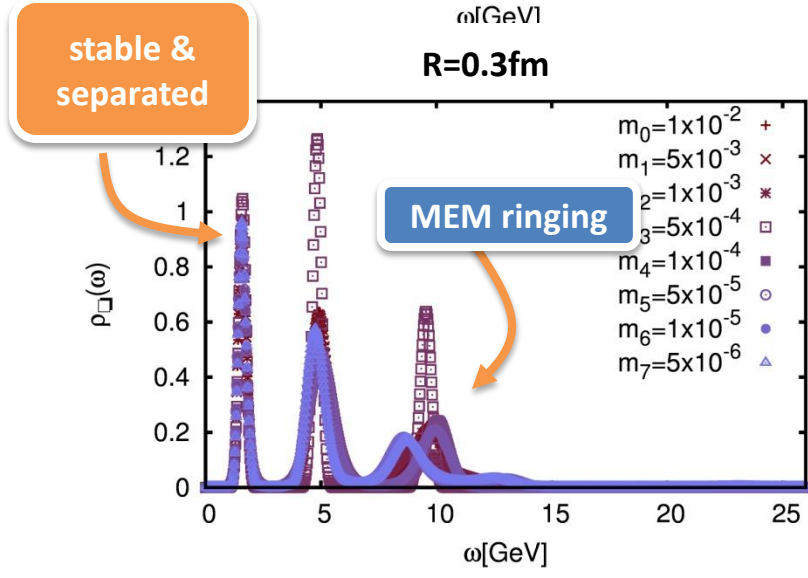
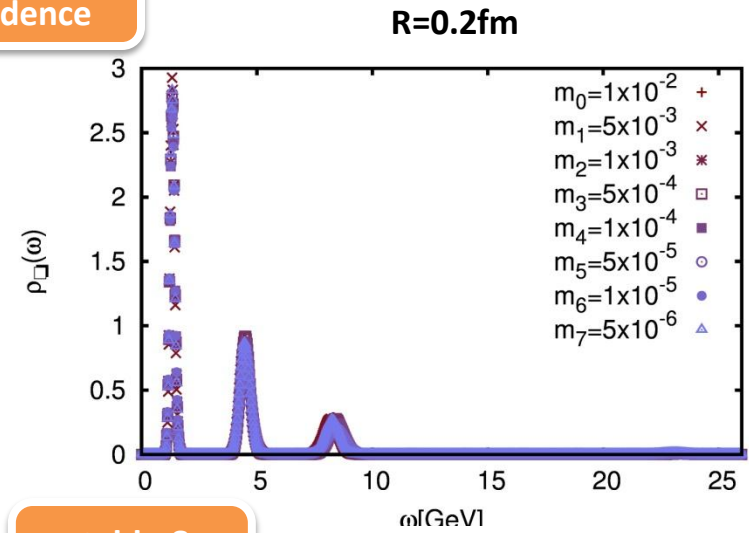
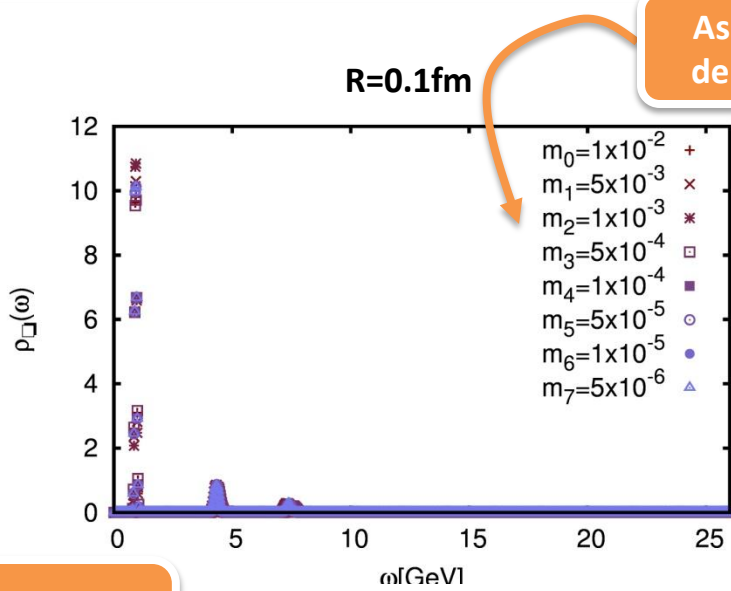
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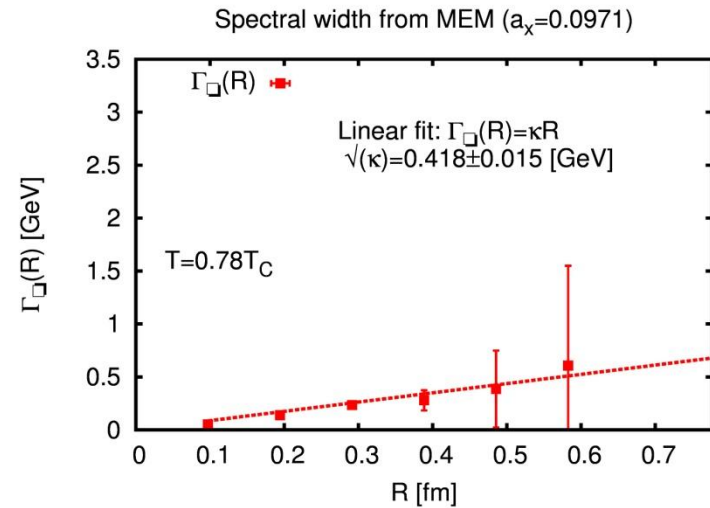
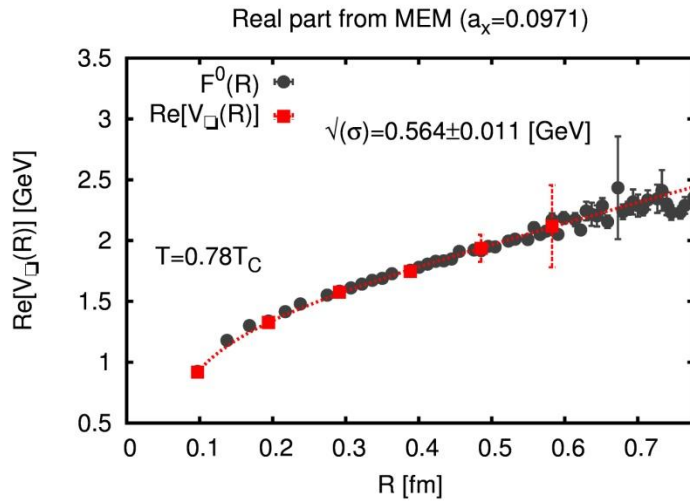


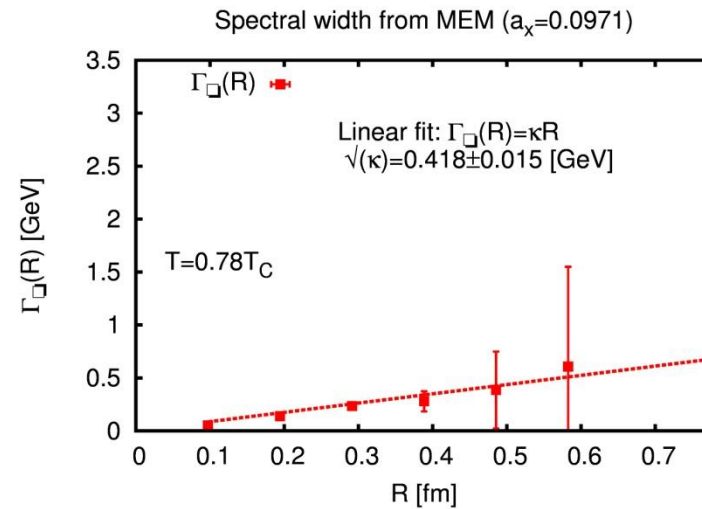
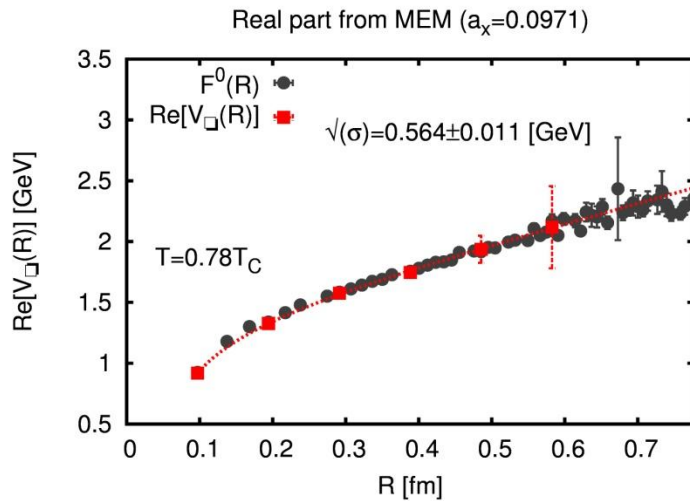
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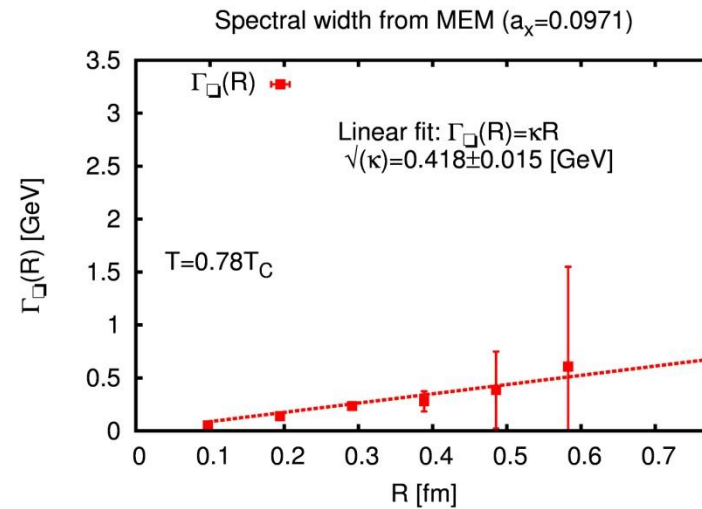
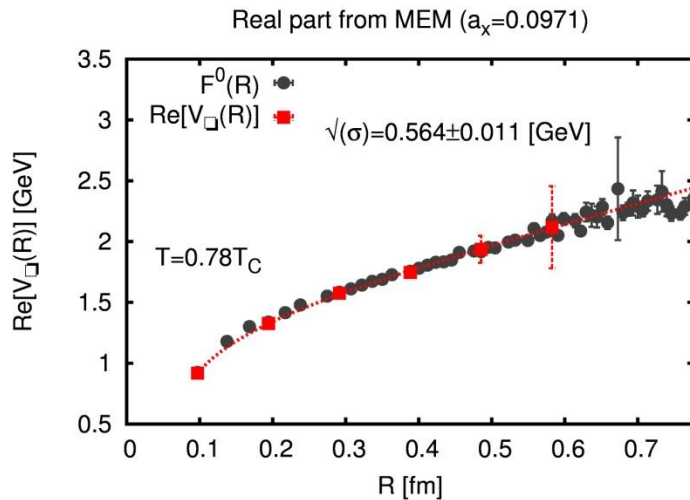








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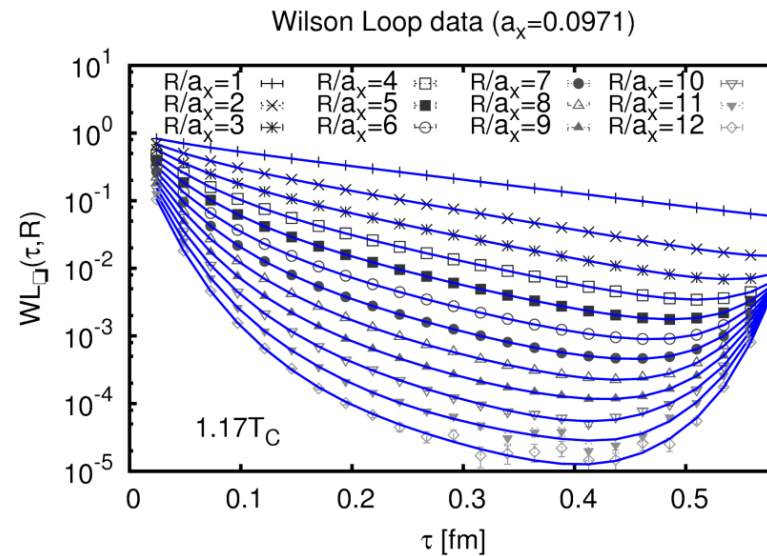
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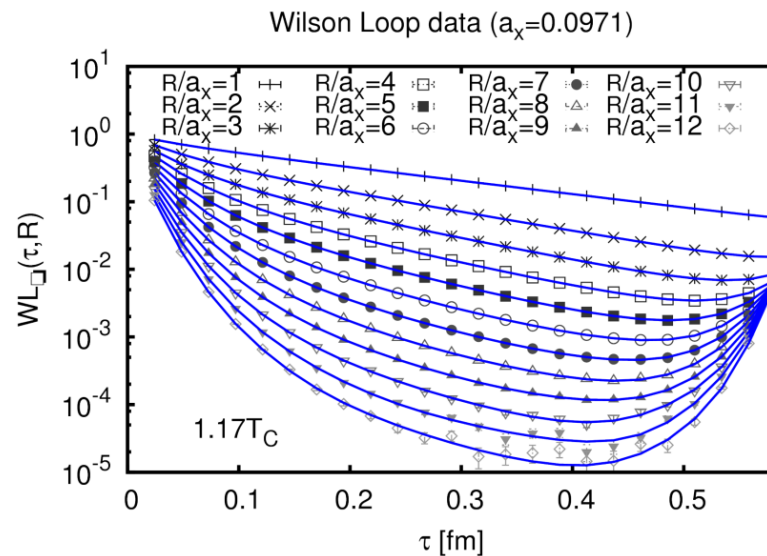


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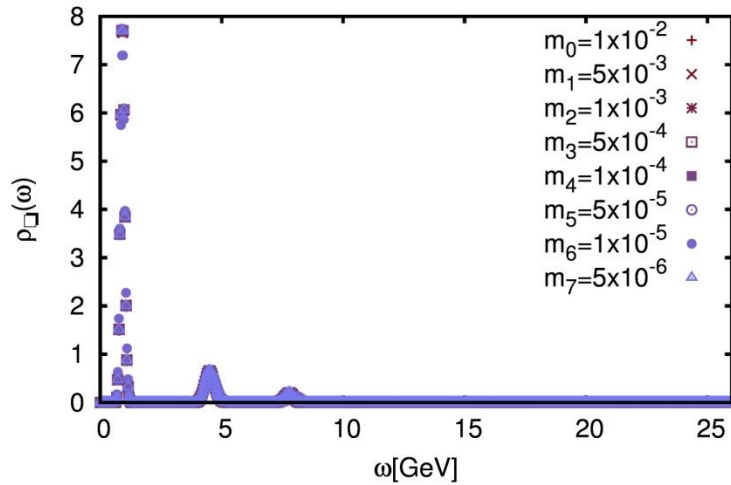
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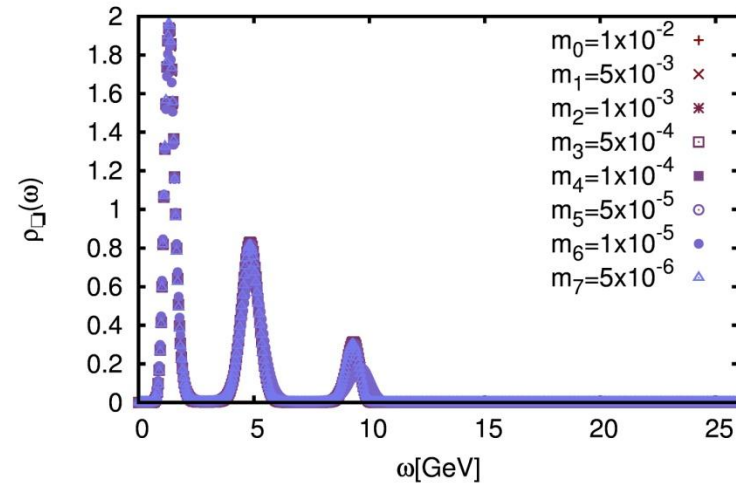


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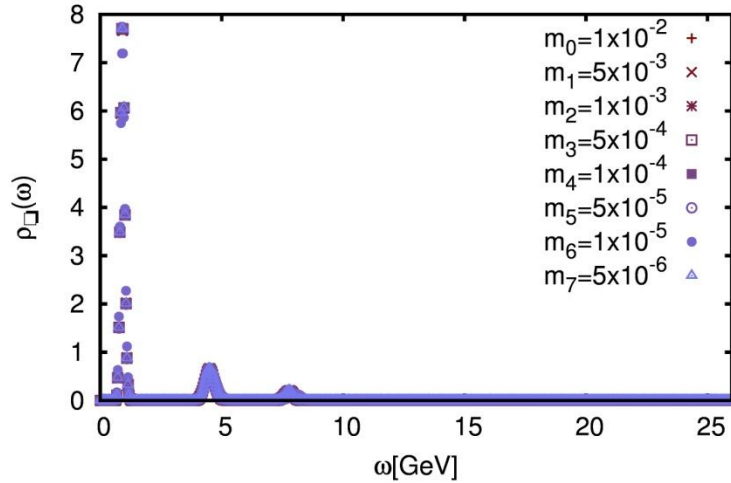
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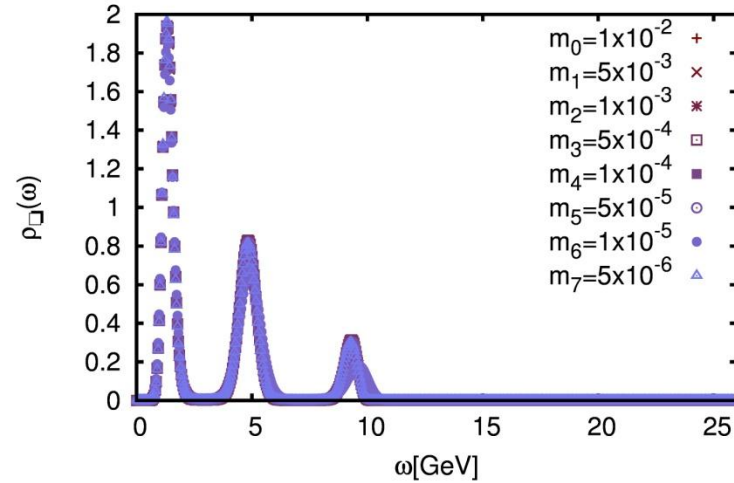
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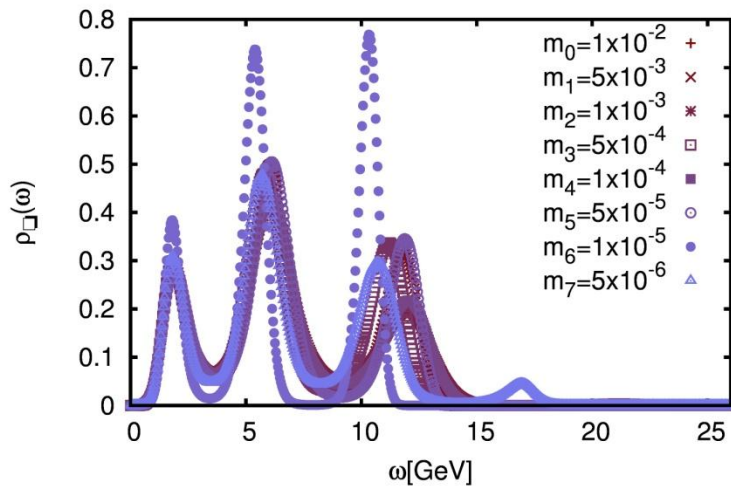
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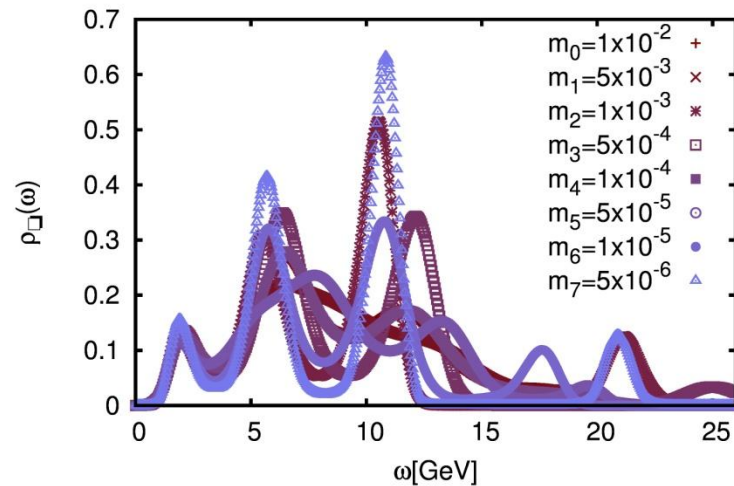
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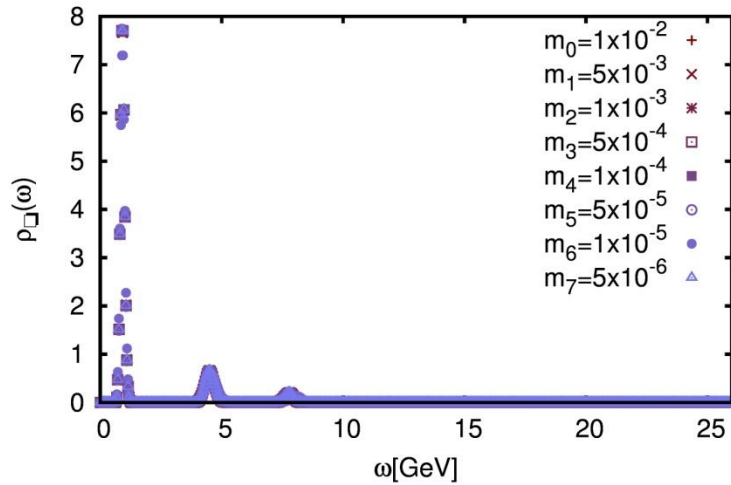
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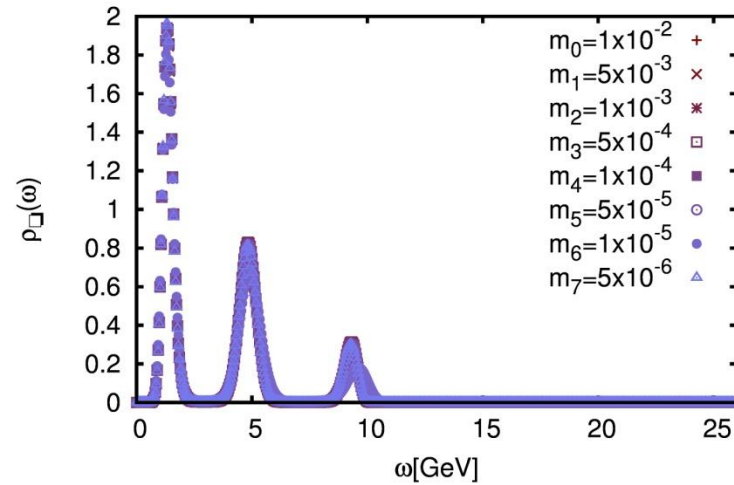
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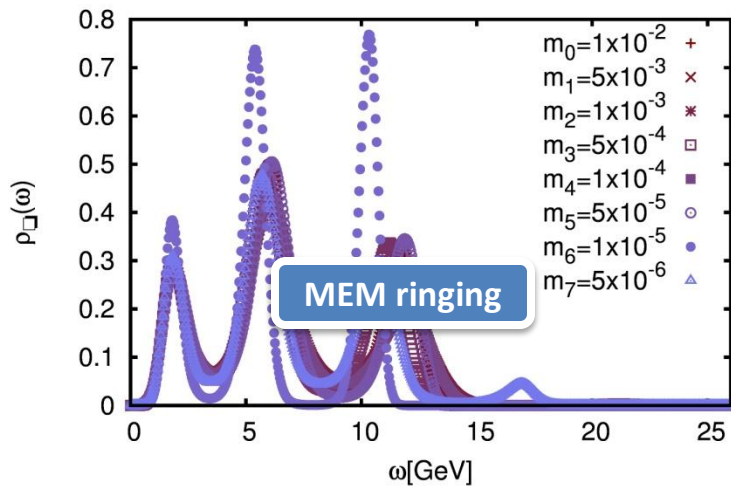
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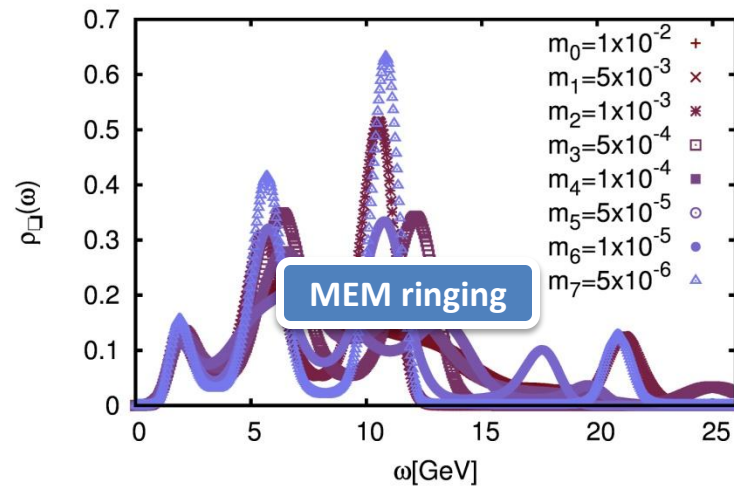
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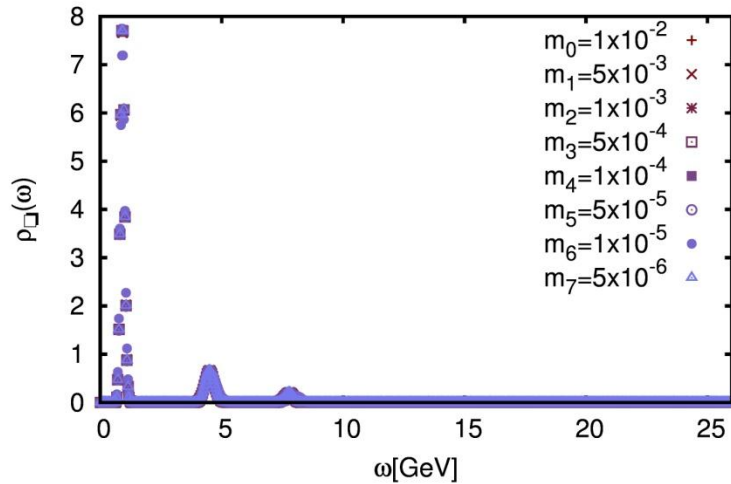
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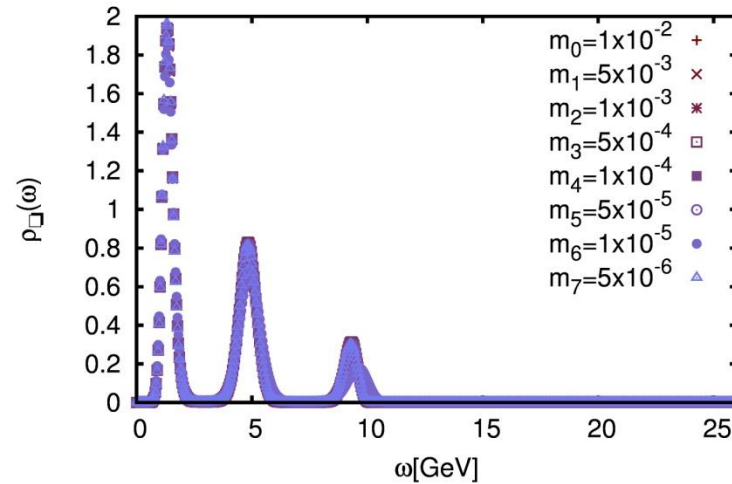
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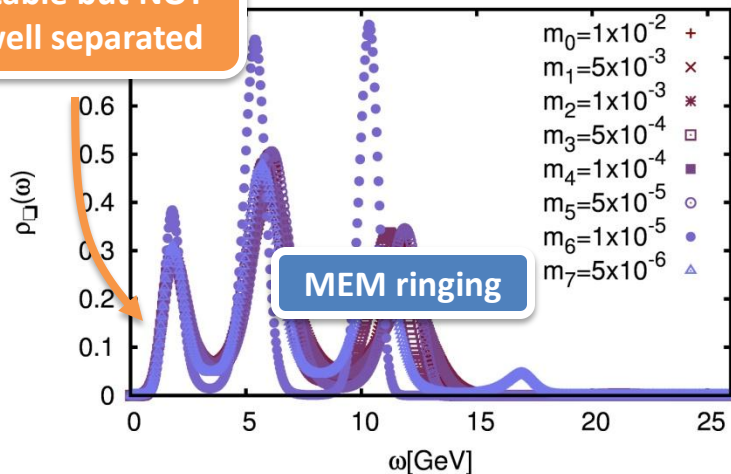


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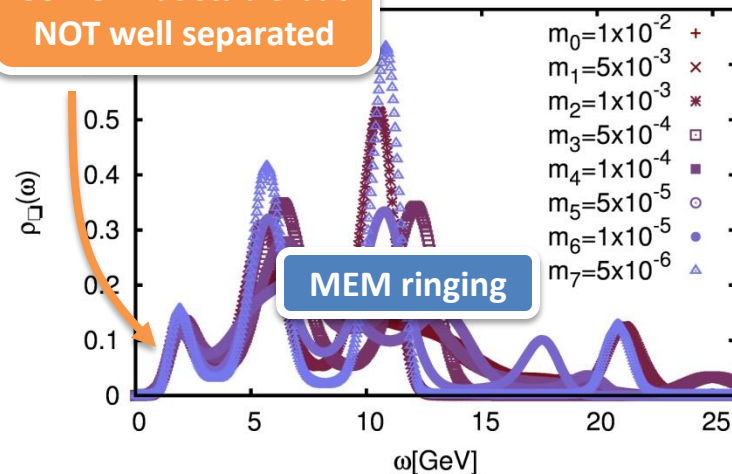
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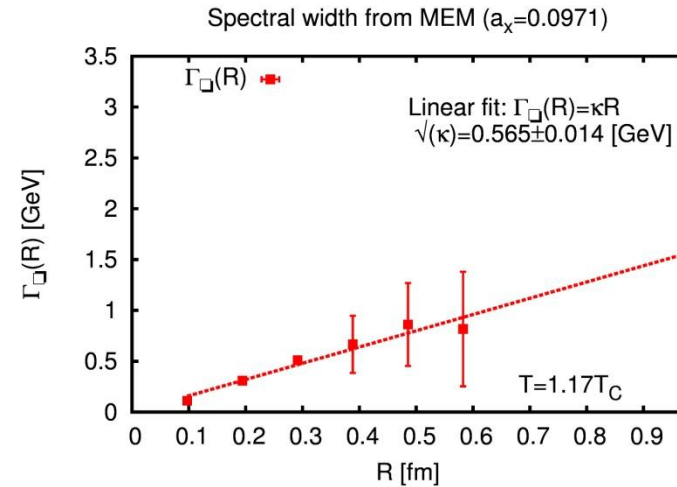
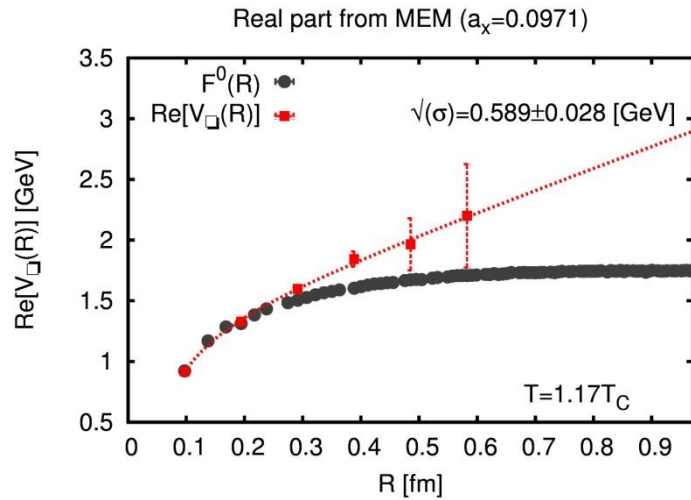
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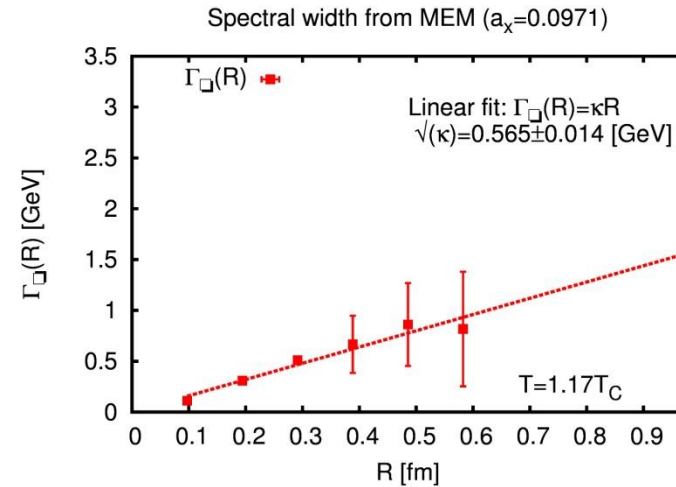
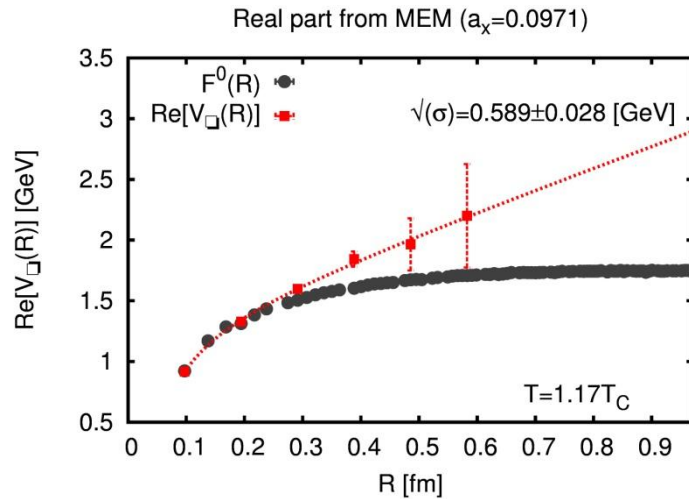


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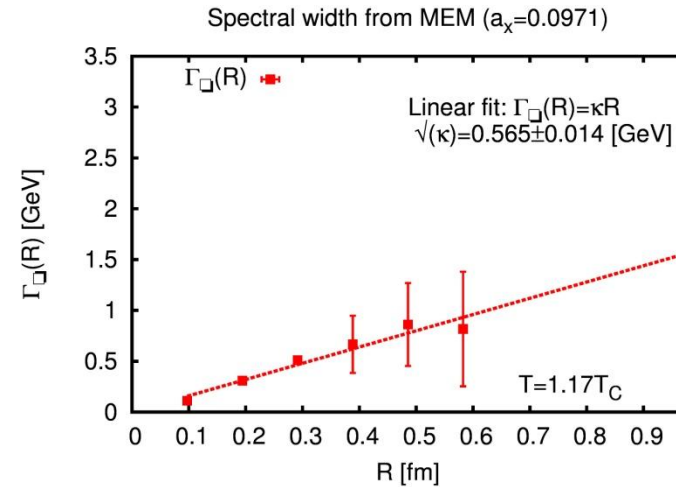
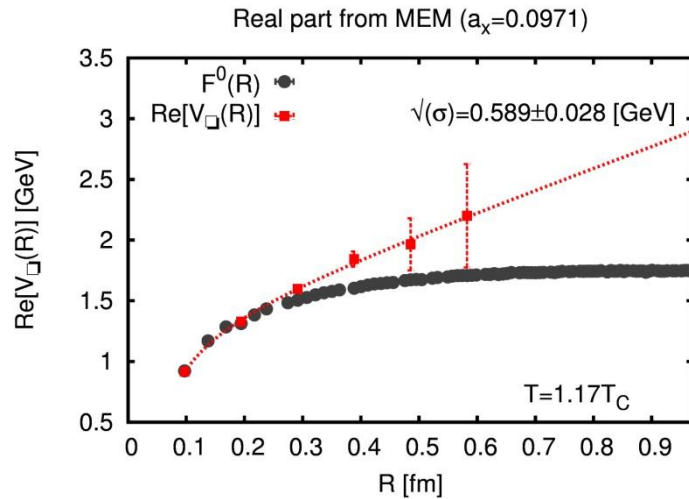
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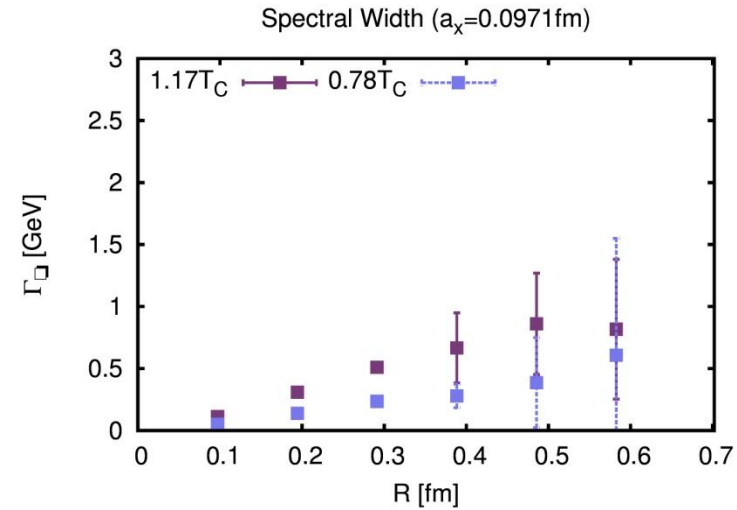
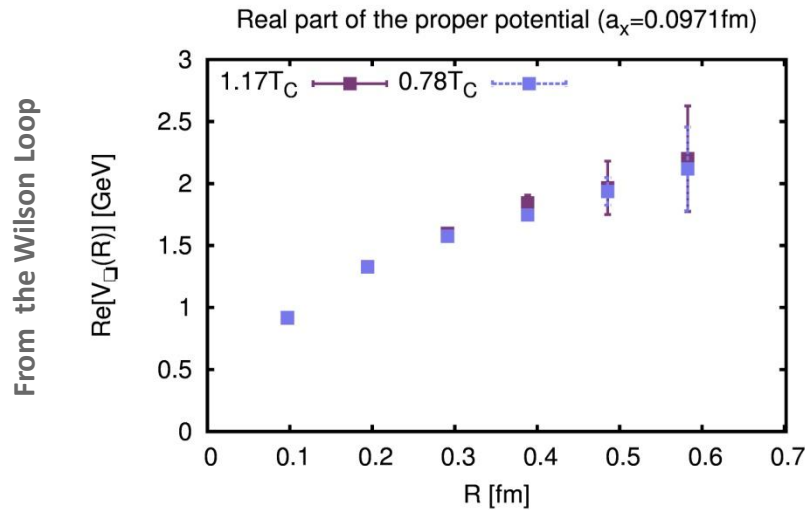


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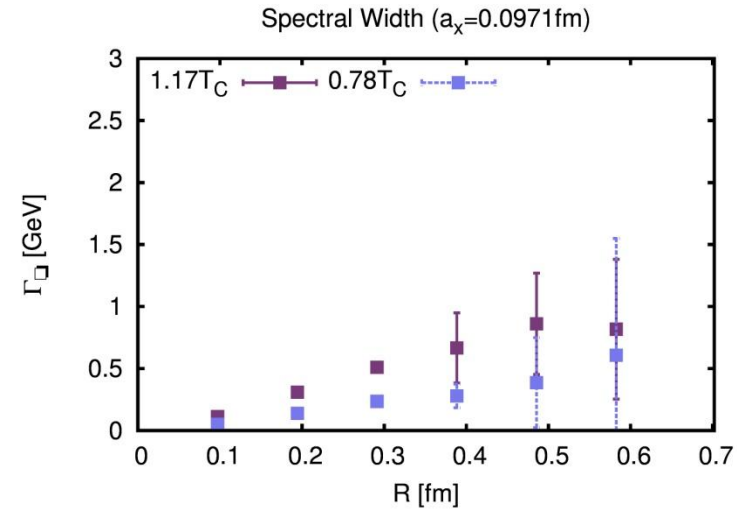
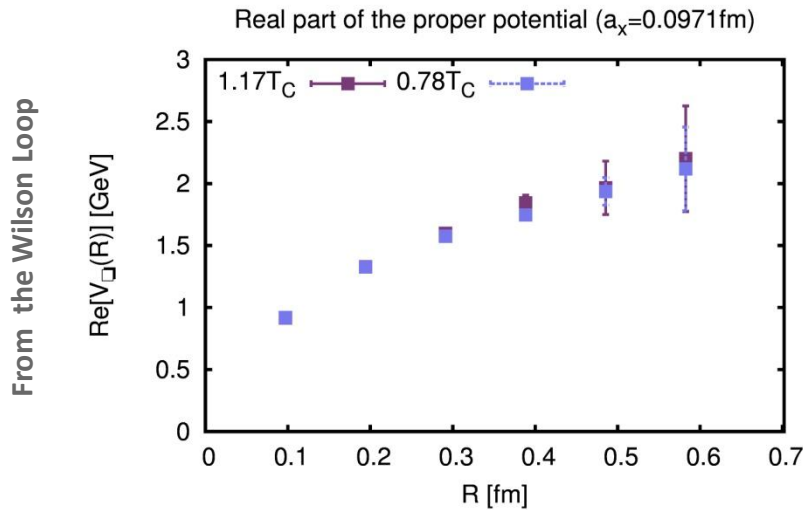


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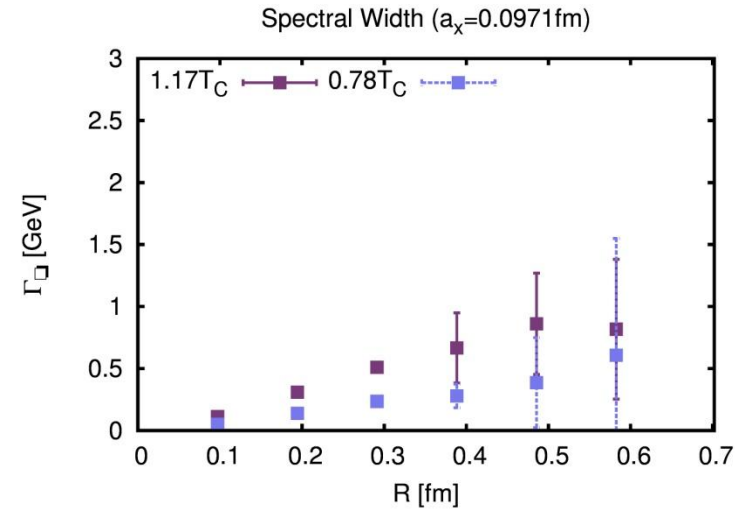
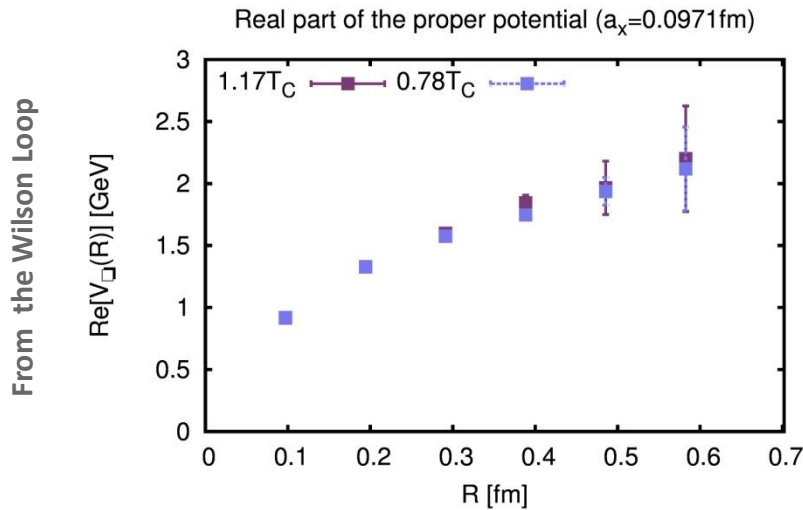


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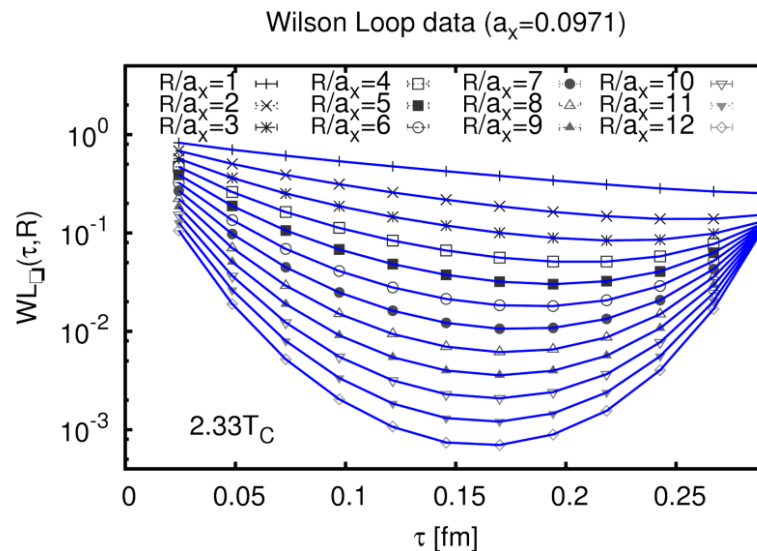
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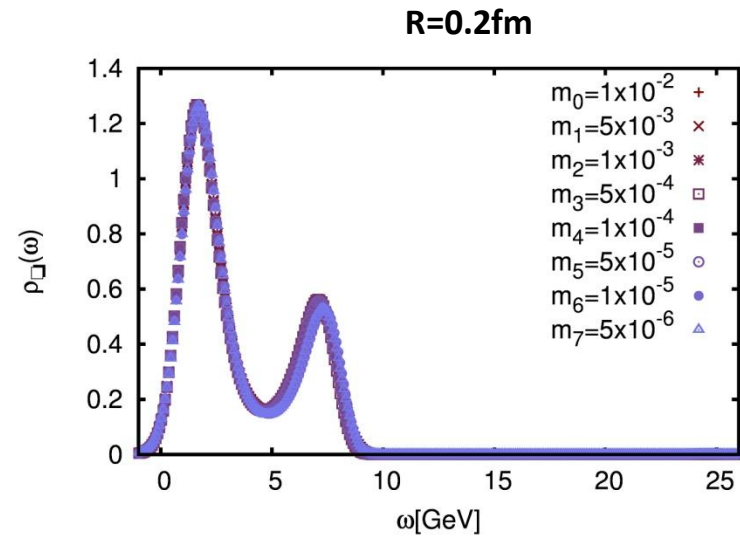
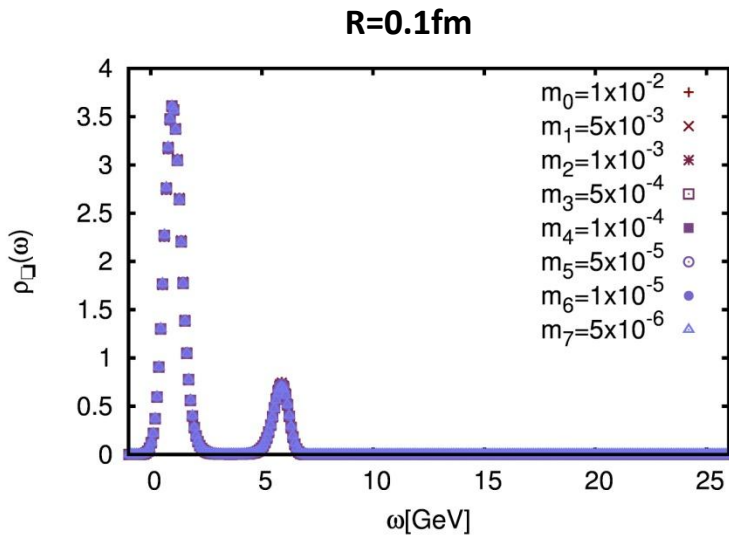
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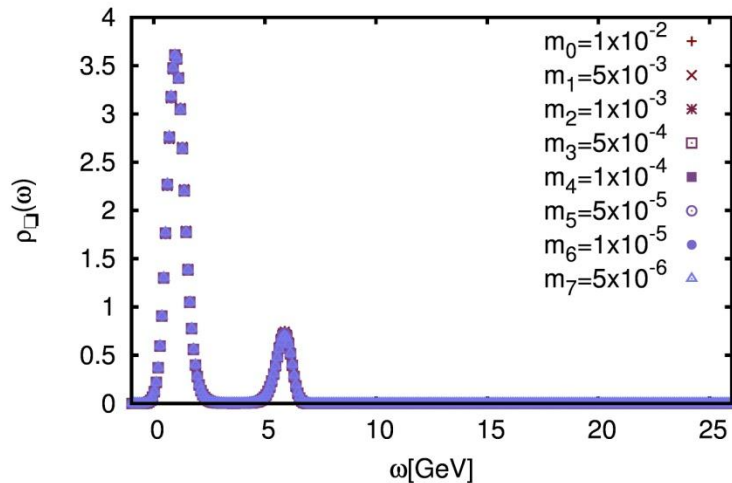
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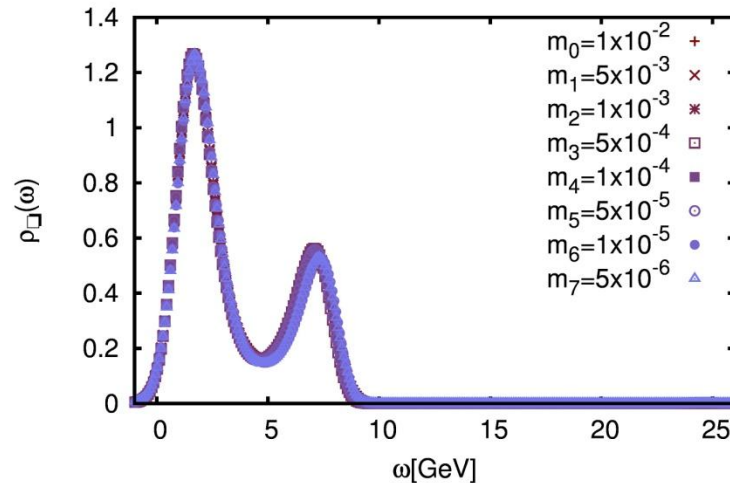




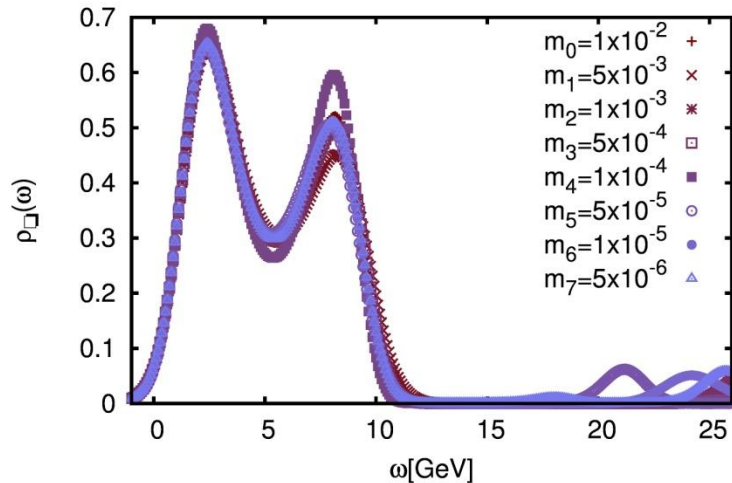
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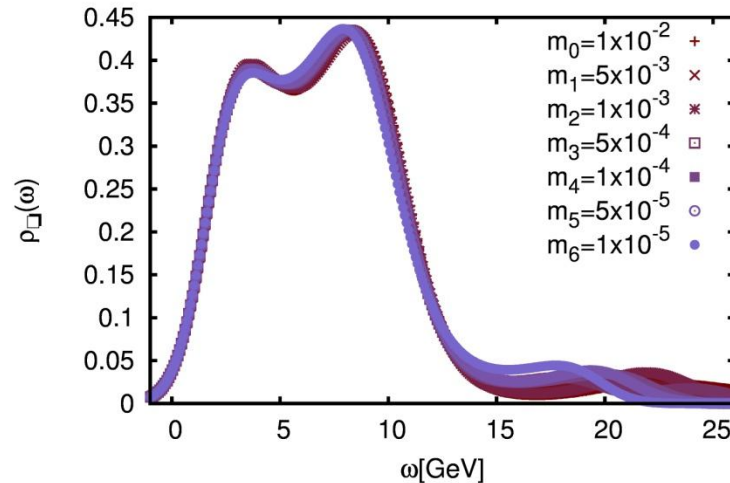
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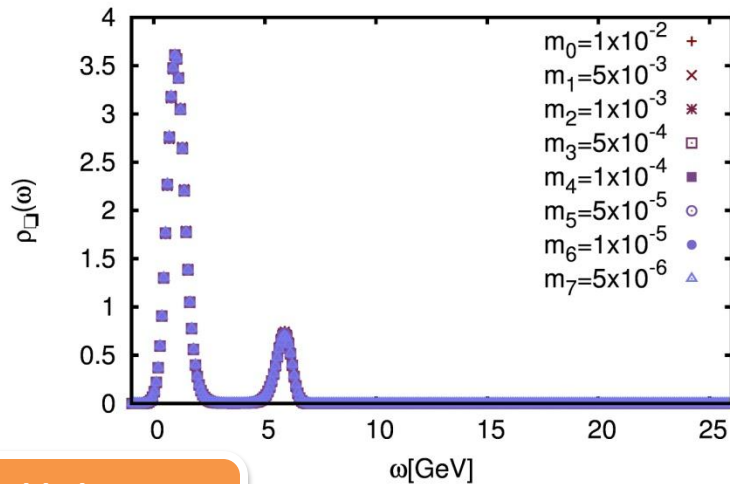
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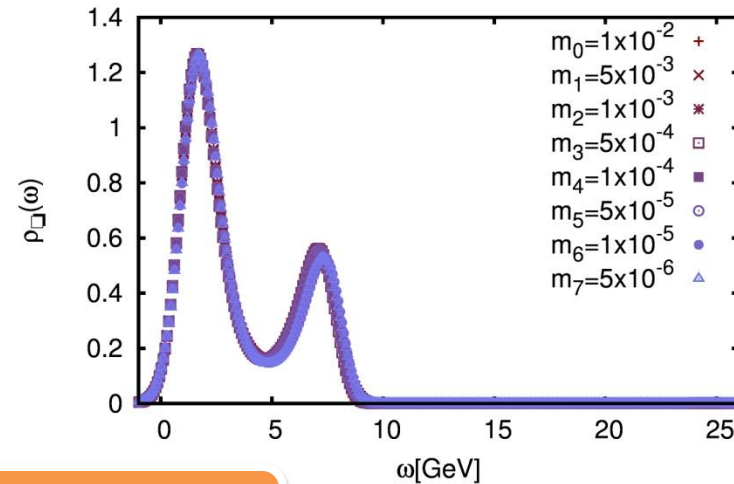
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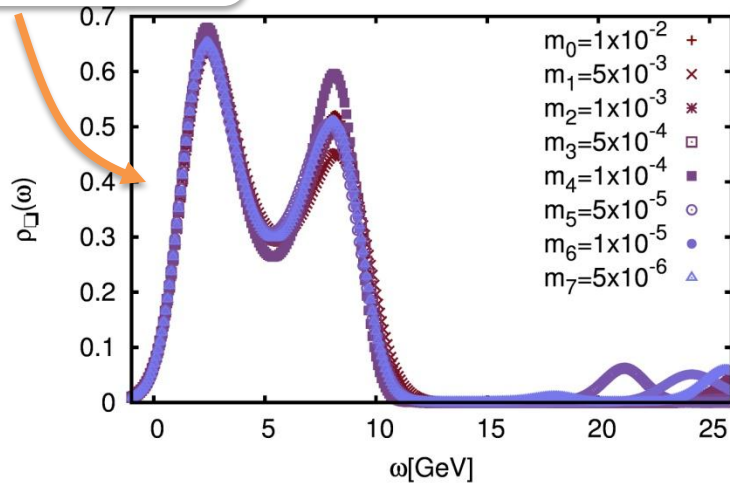


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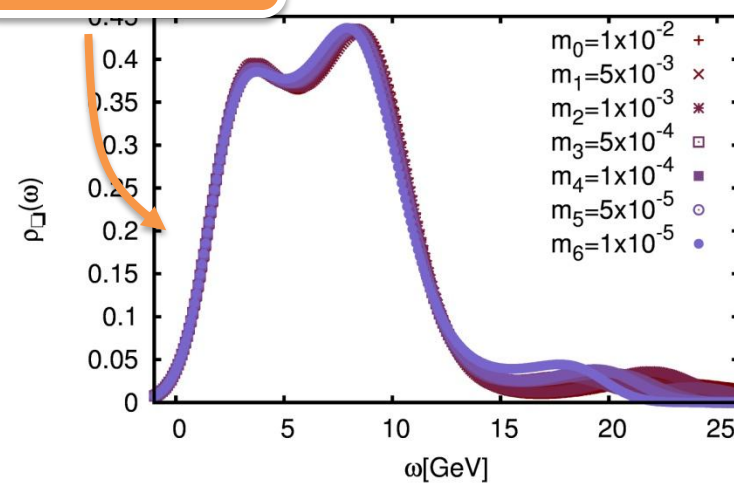
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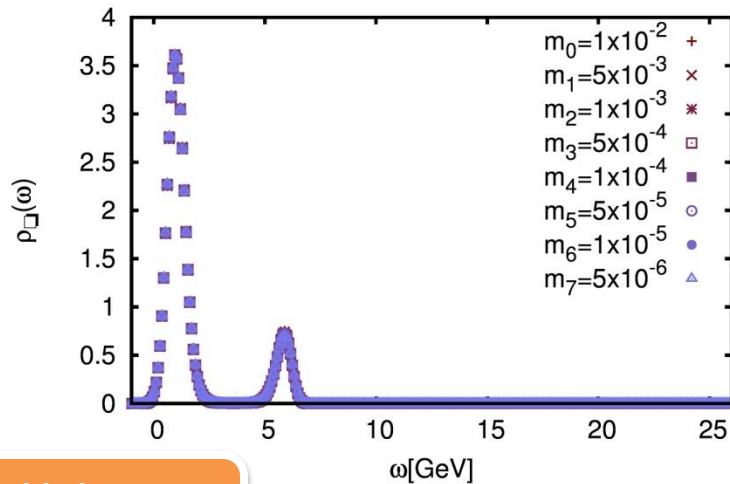


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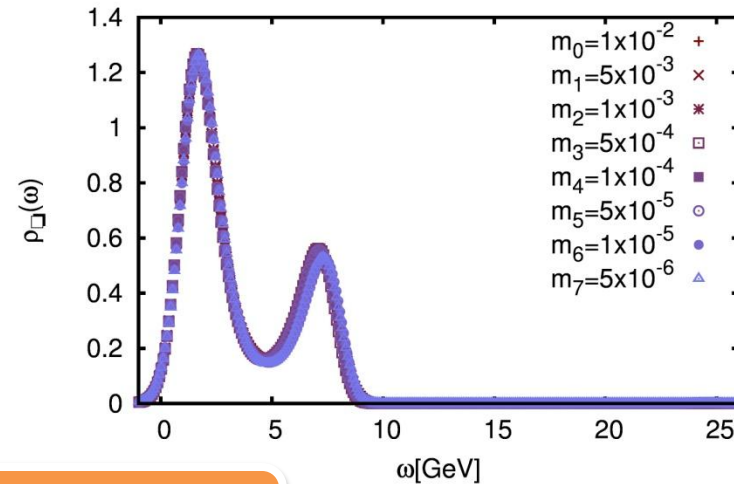
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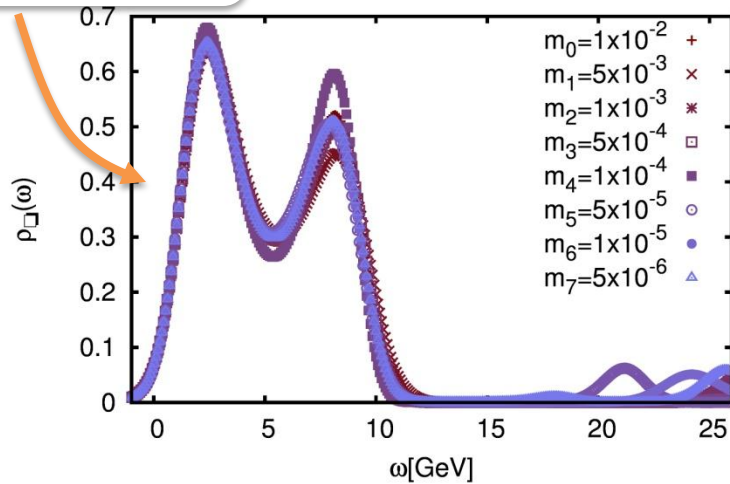


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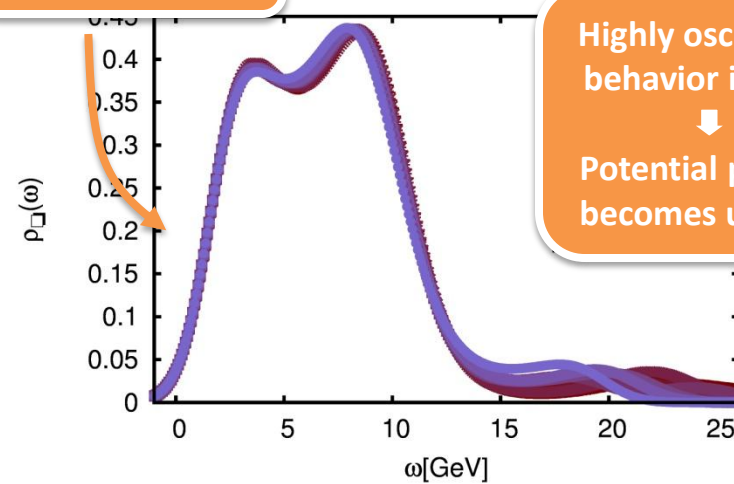
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Thank you for your attention

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