An abstract visualization of particle interactions, likely representing quarks and gluons. It features a central cluster of colorful spheres (red, blue, green, yellow, purple) connected by a network of golden, coiled lines that resemble springs or gluon fields. The entire scene is set against a dark background with a large, faint, circular structure that looks like a particle detector or a cross-section of a nucleus. The text is overlaid on this background.

Gauge invariant spectral analysis of hadronization dynamics

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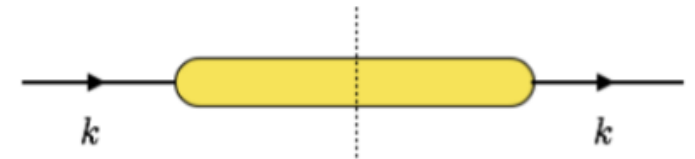
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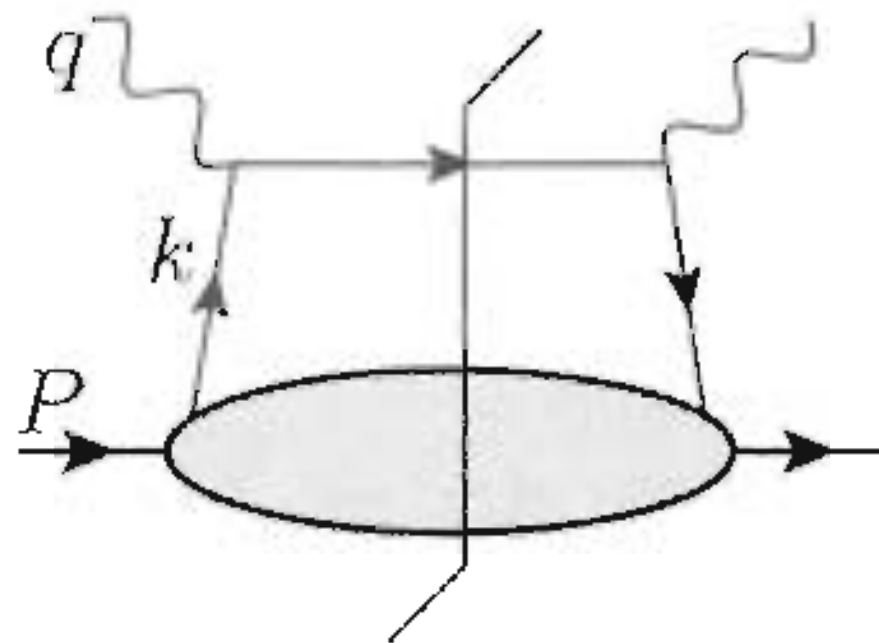
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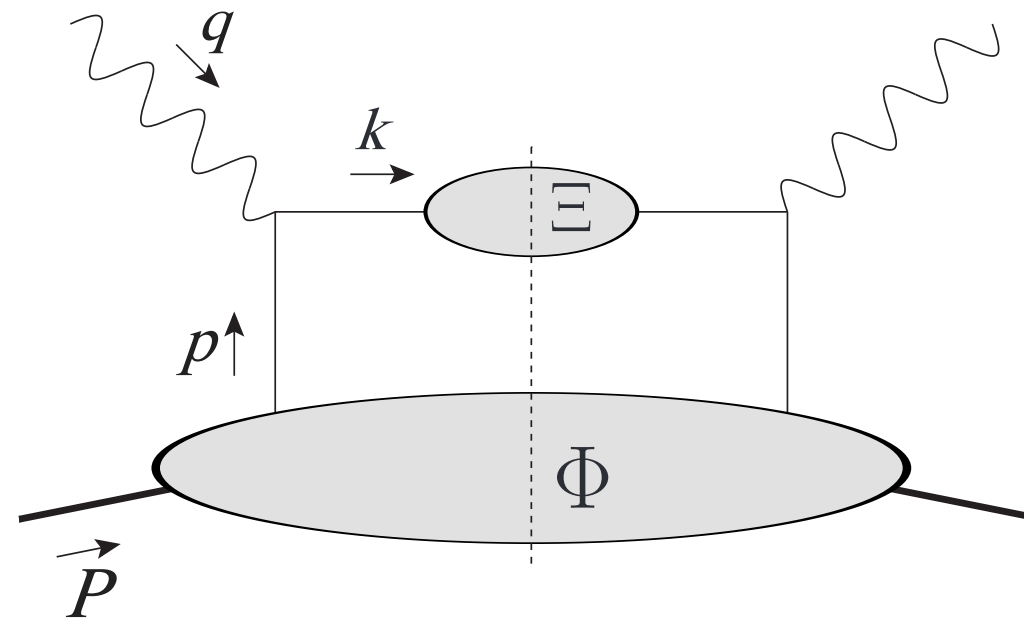
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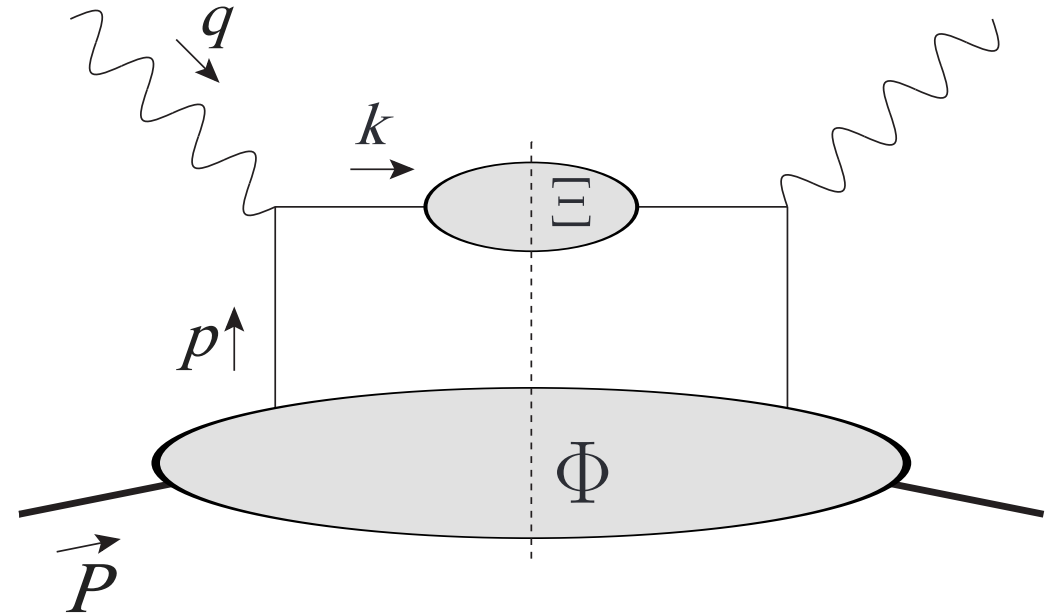
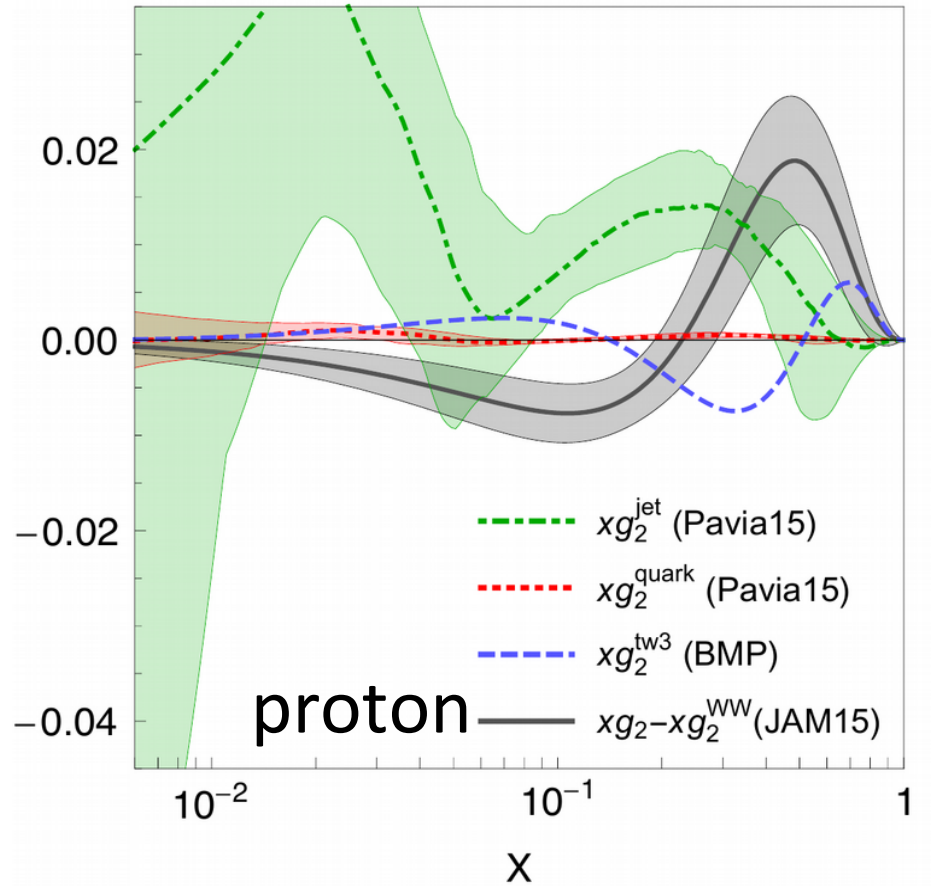
- Chiral symmetry: approximate symmetry of the light quark sector of QCD

$$m_u \approx 2.16 \text{ MeV}, \quad m_d \approx 4.67 \text{ MeV} : \quad m_u \approx m_d$$

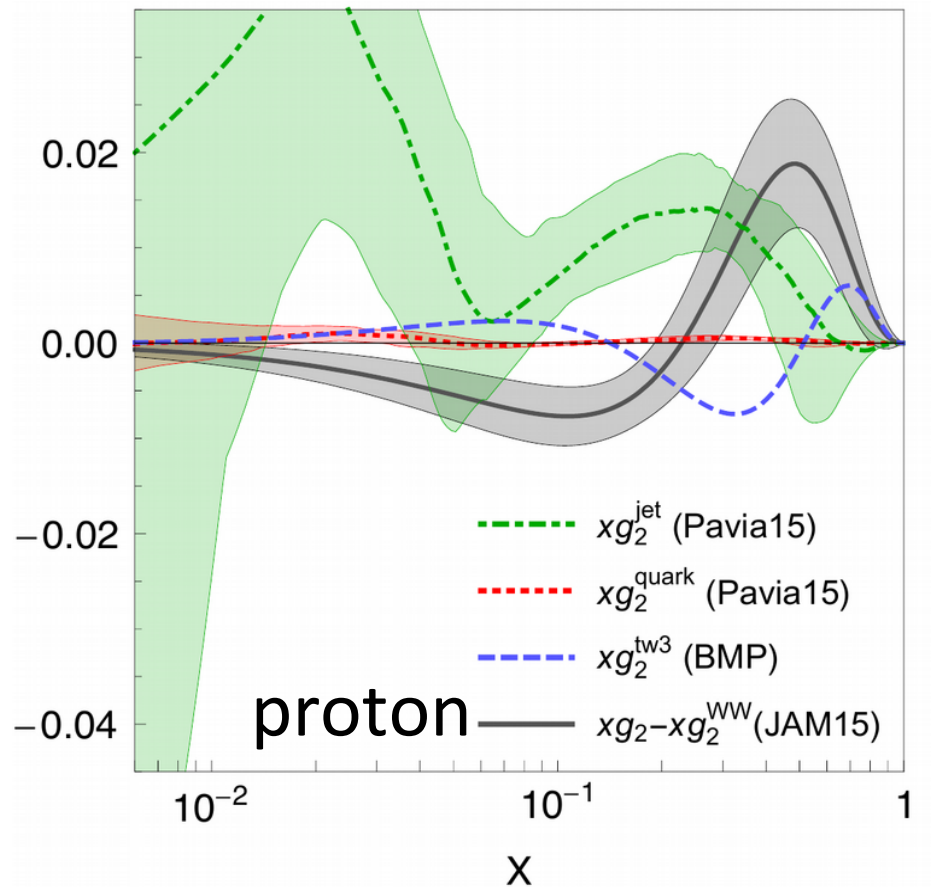
- Chiral symmetry is broken dynamically and gives rise to:
 - the mass splitting observed in hadron spectrum
 - dressed quarks
- Gauge invariant propagator can be used to probe dynamical mass generation





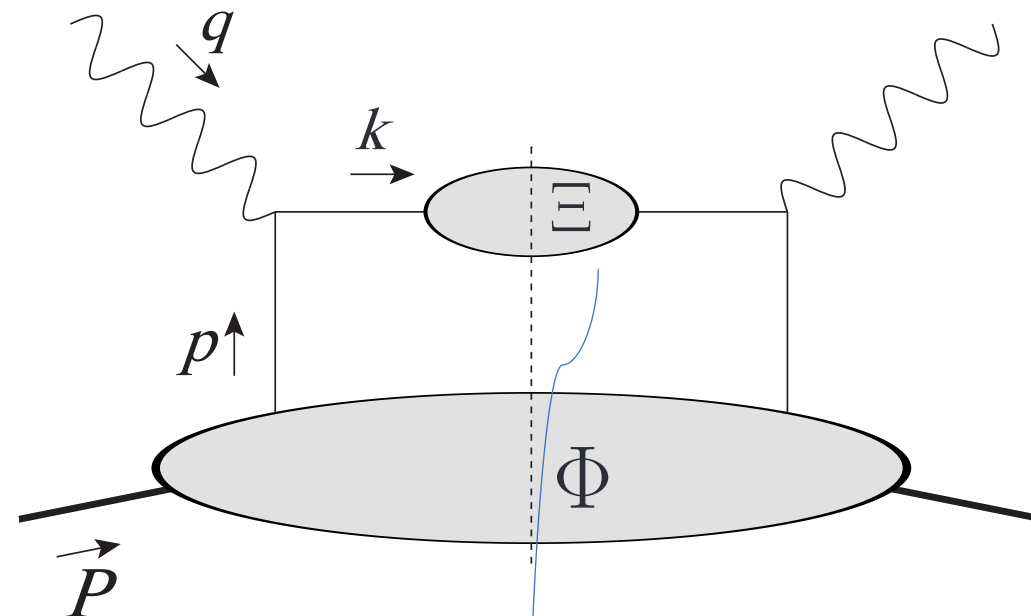


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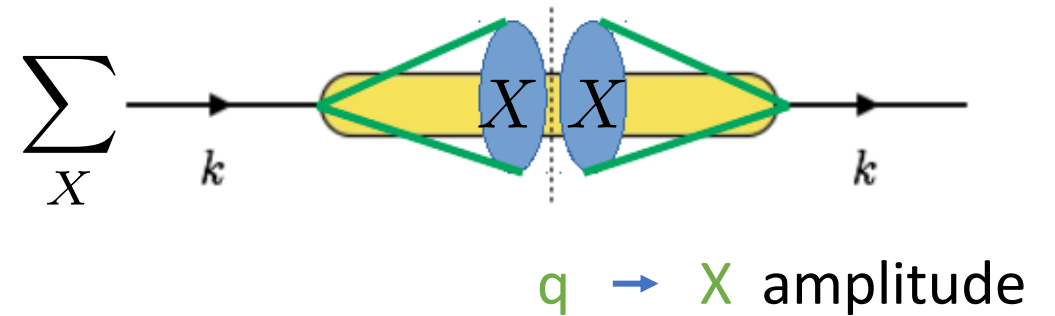
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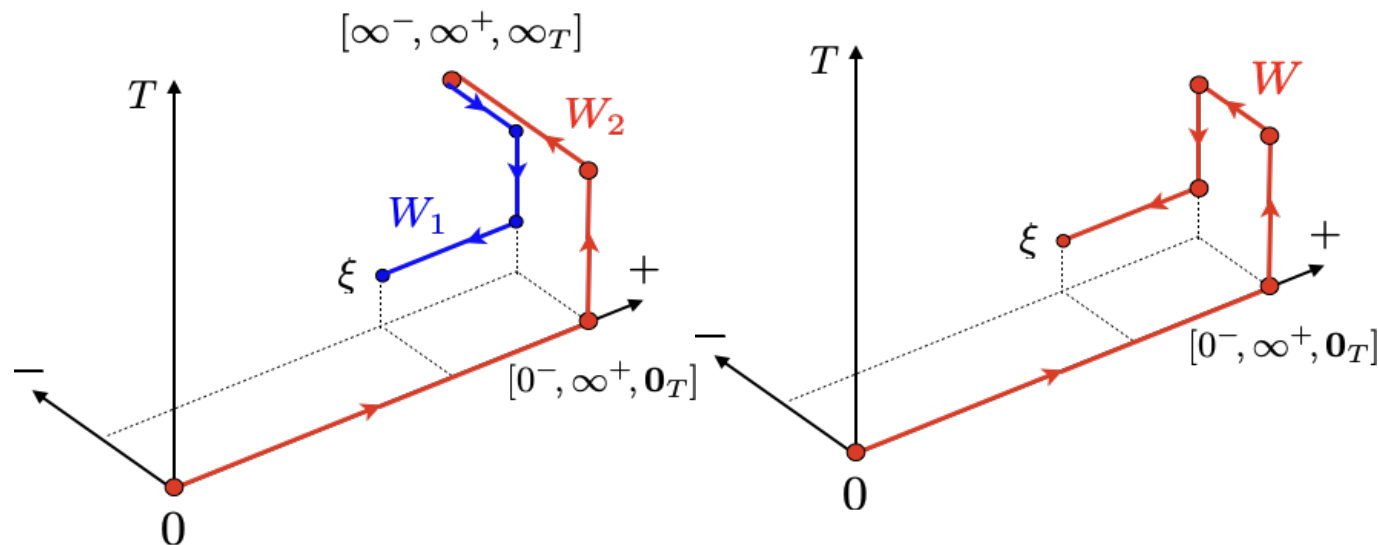
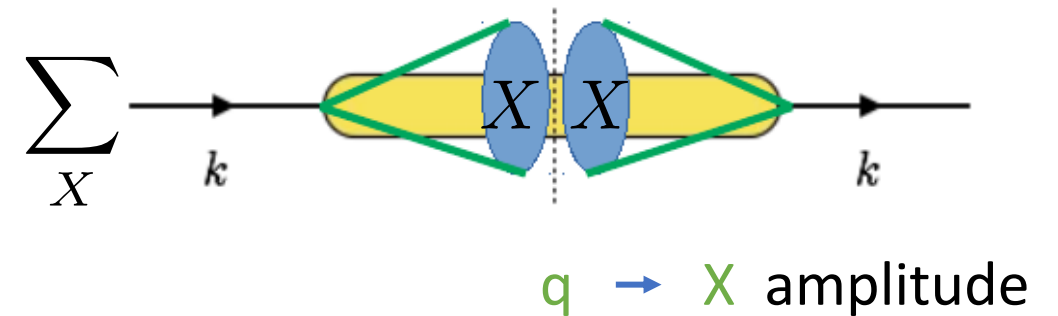


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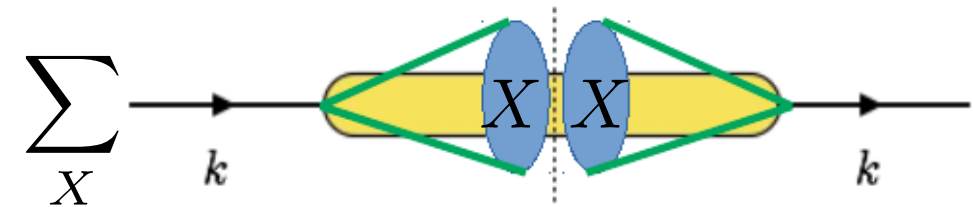


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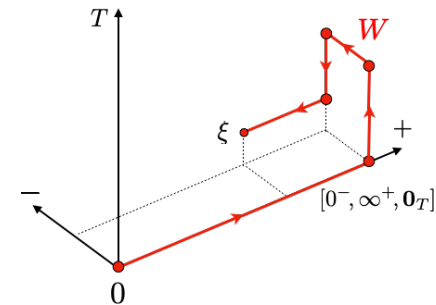
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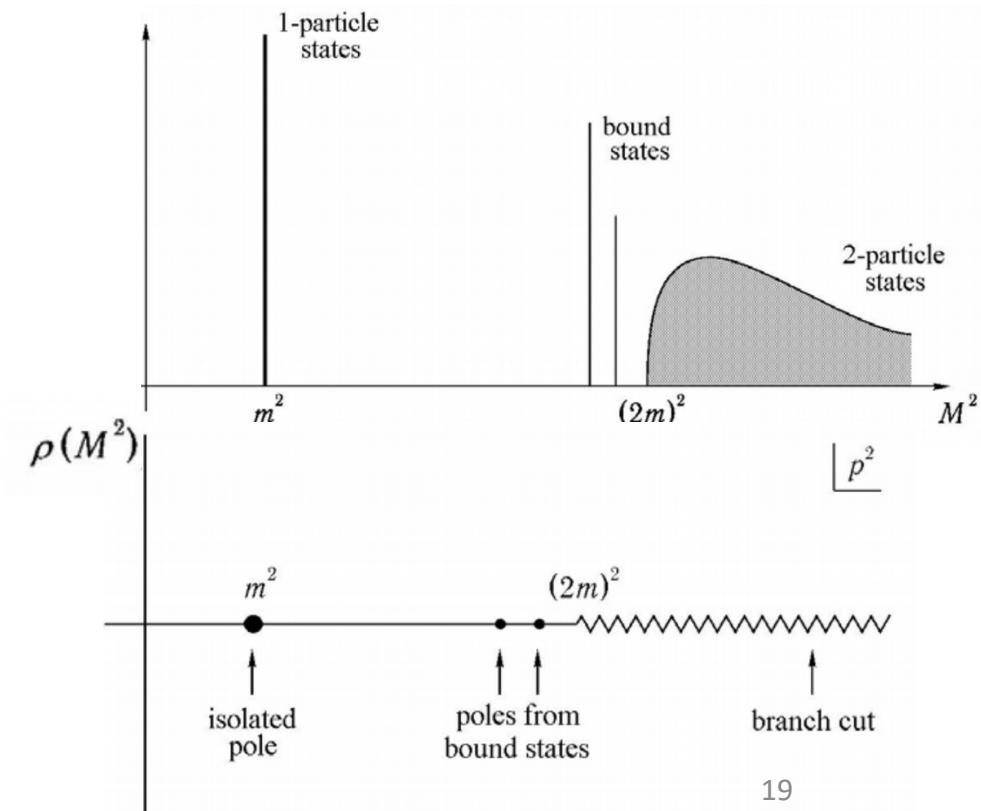
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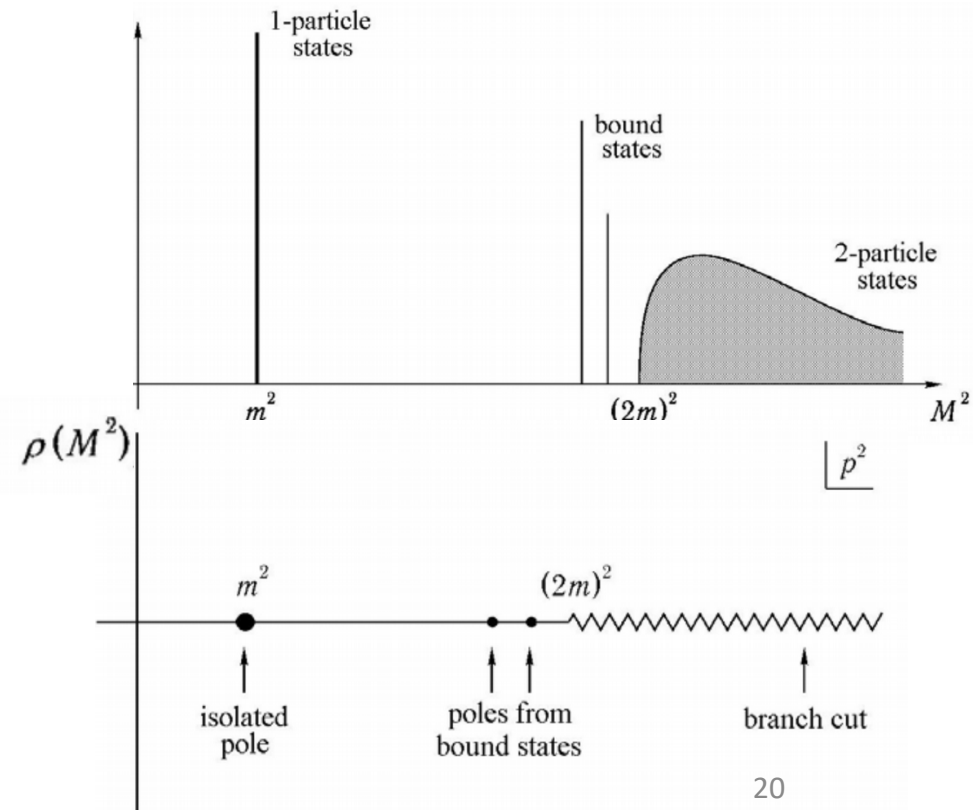
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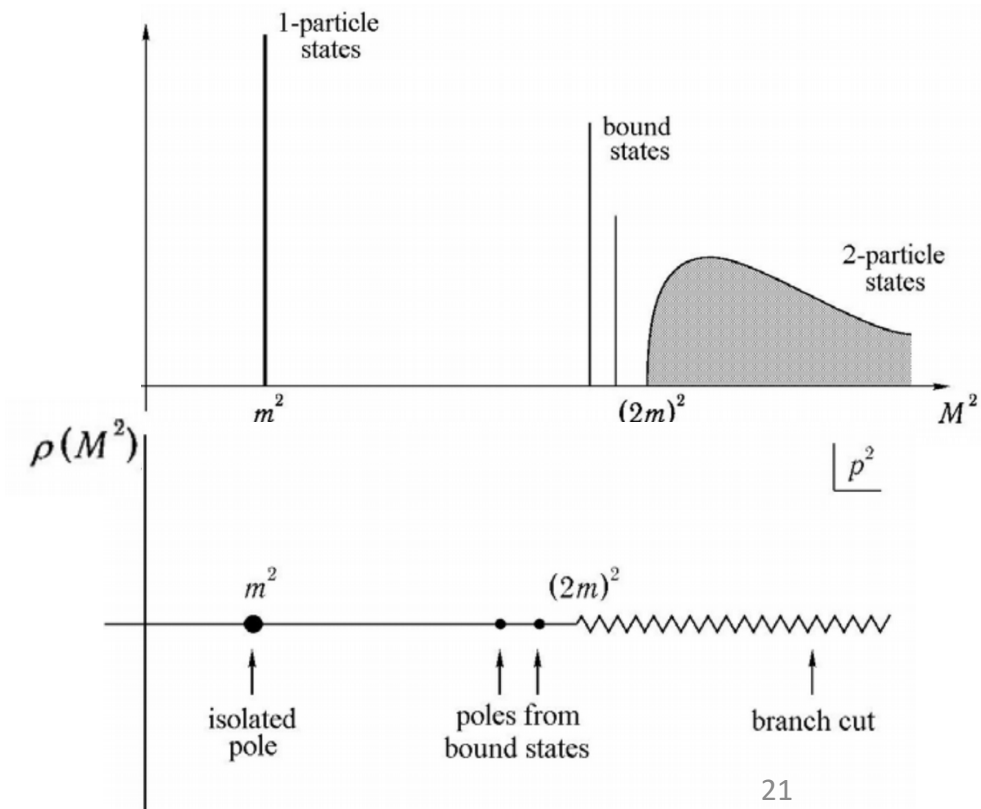
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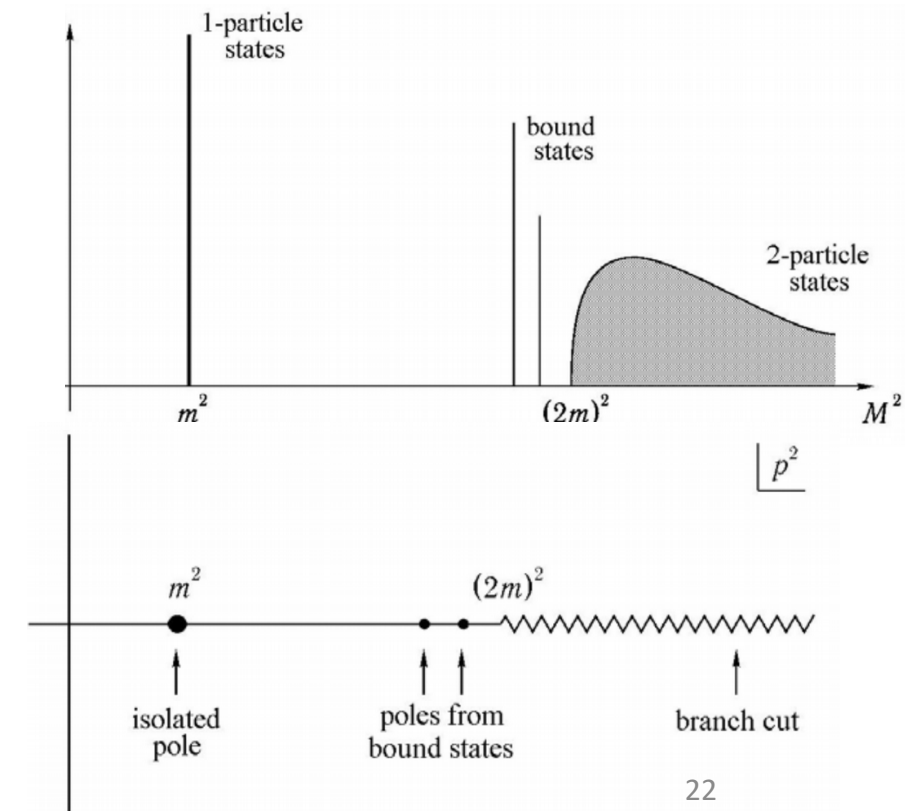
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Integrated g.i. quark propagator

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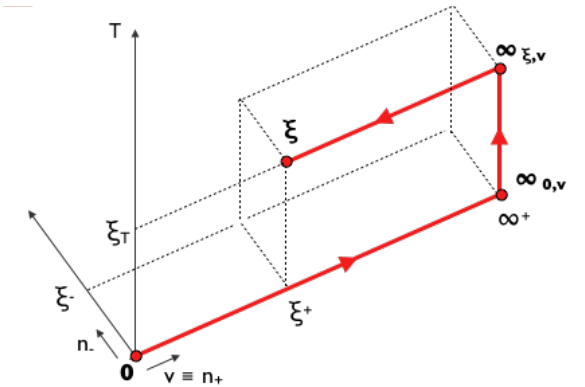
$$k^- \gg |\mathbf{k}_\perp| \gg k^+$$

Integrate out the suppressed component of the quark momentum:

$$J_{ij}(k^-, \vec{k}_\perp; n_+) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \int dk^+ \Xi_{ij}(k; n_+)$$

- Generalizes the perturbative quark propagator that appears in inclusive and semi-inclusive DIS

$$w = n^+$$



$$W_{\text{TMD}}(\xi^+, \xi_\perp) = \mathcal{U}_{n_+}[0^-, 0^+, \mathbf{0}_\perp; 0^-, \infty^+, \mathbf{0}_\perp] \mathcal{U}_{n_\perp}[0^-, \infty^+, \mathbf{0}_\perp; 0^-, \infty^+, \xi_\perp] \mathcal{U}_{n_+}[0^-, \infty^+, \xi_\perp; 0^-, \xi^+, \xi_\perp]$$

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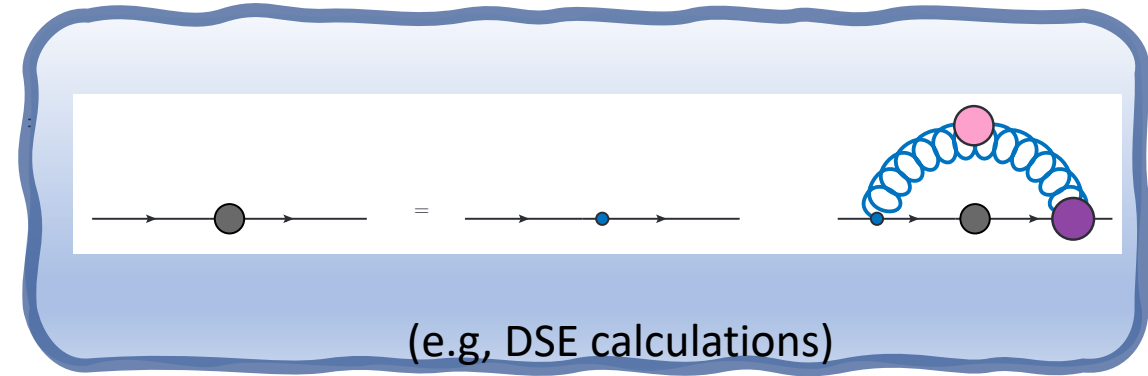
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	L		$g_1 = \text{Helicity}$	$h_{1L}^\perp = \text{Worm-gear}$
	T	$f_{1T}^\perp = \text{Sivers}$	$g_{1T}^\perp = \text{Worm-gear}$	$h_1 = \text{Transversity}$ $h_{1T}^\perp = \text{Pretzelosity}$

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Polarized Hadrons	L		$G_1 = \text{Helicity}$	H_{1L}^\perp
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□ But in other gauges

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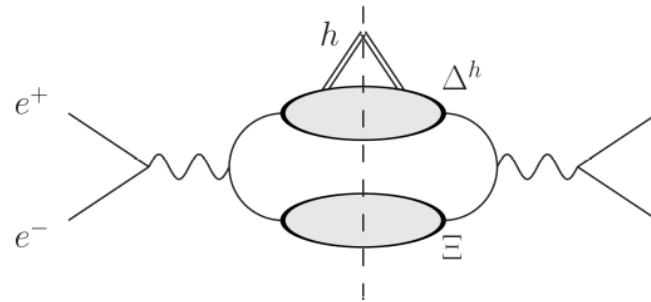
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