

# 3-body decay amplitudes in the presence of bound states

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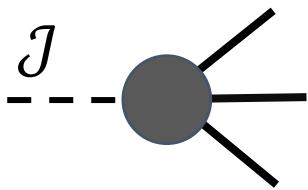
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# Motivation

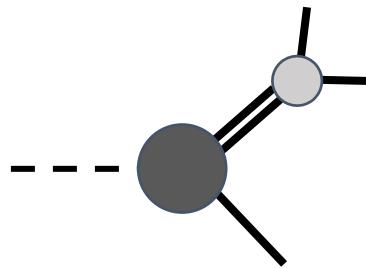
Progress on 3-particle systems : talks by Fernando Romero-López, Michael Doering, Maxim Mai, Md Habib Islam, Sebastian Dawid, ...

3-body decay amplitudes



$g - 2 : \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi \pi \pi$

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Photoproduction of  
mesons (GlueX), inform  
fits beyond isobar model

# QC + scattering amplitudes summary

Lüscher Comm.  
Math. Physics  
(1986)

2-particle

$$F_2^{-1} + K_2 = 0$$

$$\mathcal{M}_2 = \frac{1}{K_2^{-1} - i\rho}$$

$$s : K_2 = -16\pi E^* \tan \delta$$

3-particle

$$F_3^{-1} + K_{df,3} = 0$$

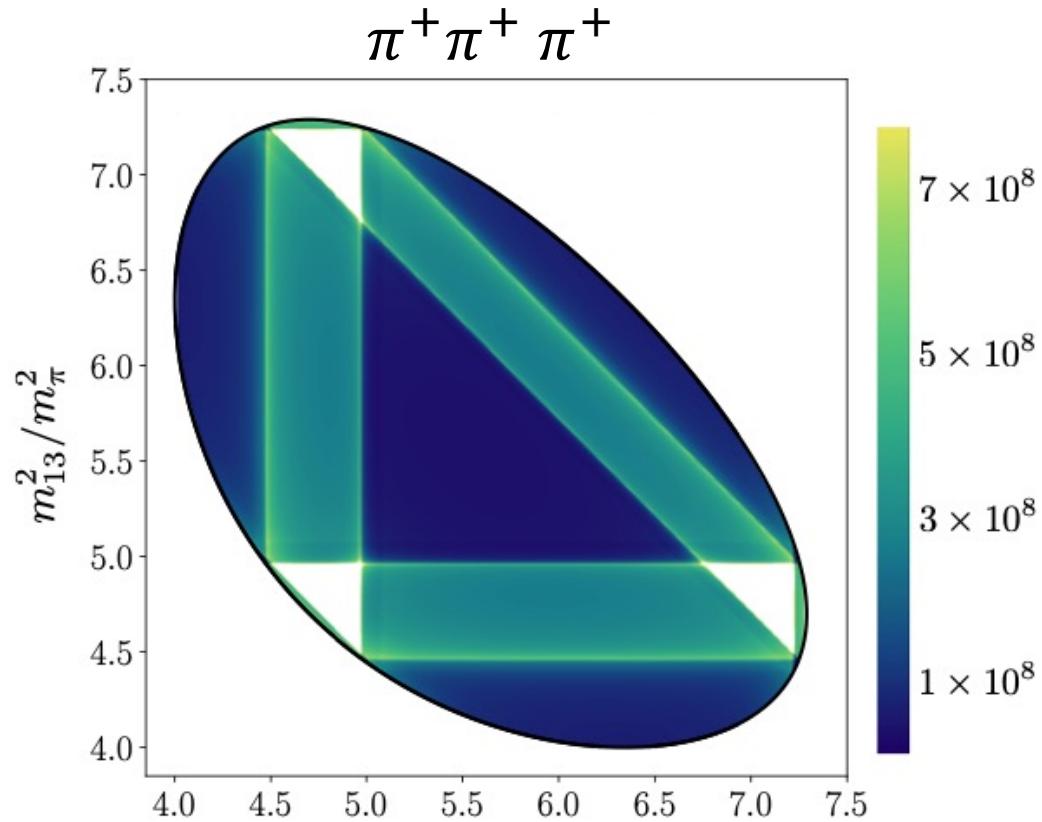
$$\mathcal{M}_3 = \mathcal{D}^{(u,u)} + \mathcal{M}_{df,3}^{(u,u)}$$

short-range  
3-body interactions

ladder amplitude

Hansen, Sharpe  
PRD (2014)

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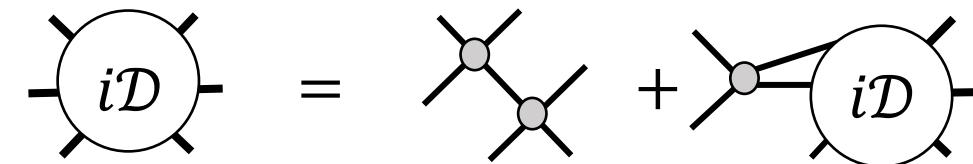
Hansen, Briceño, Edwards,  
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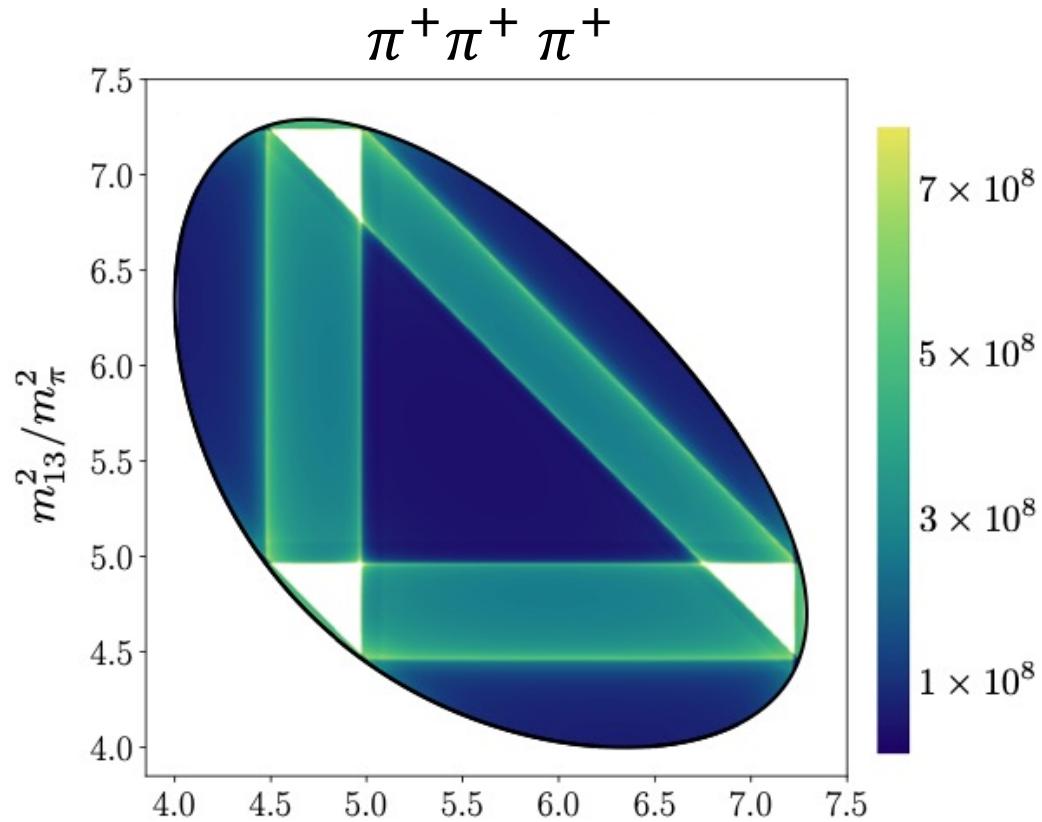
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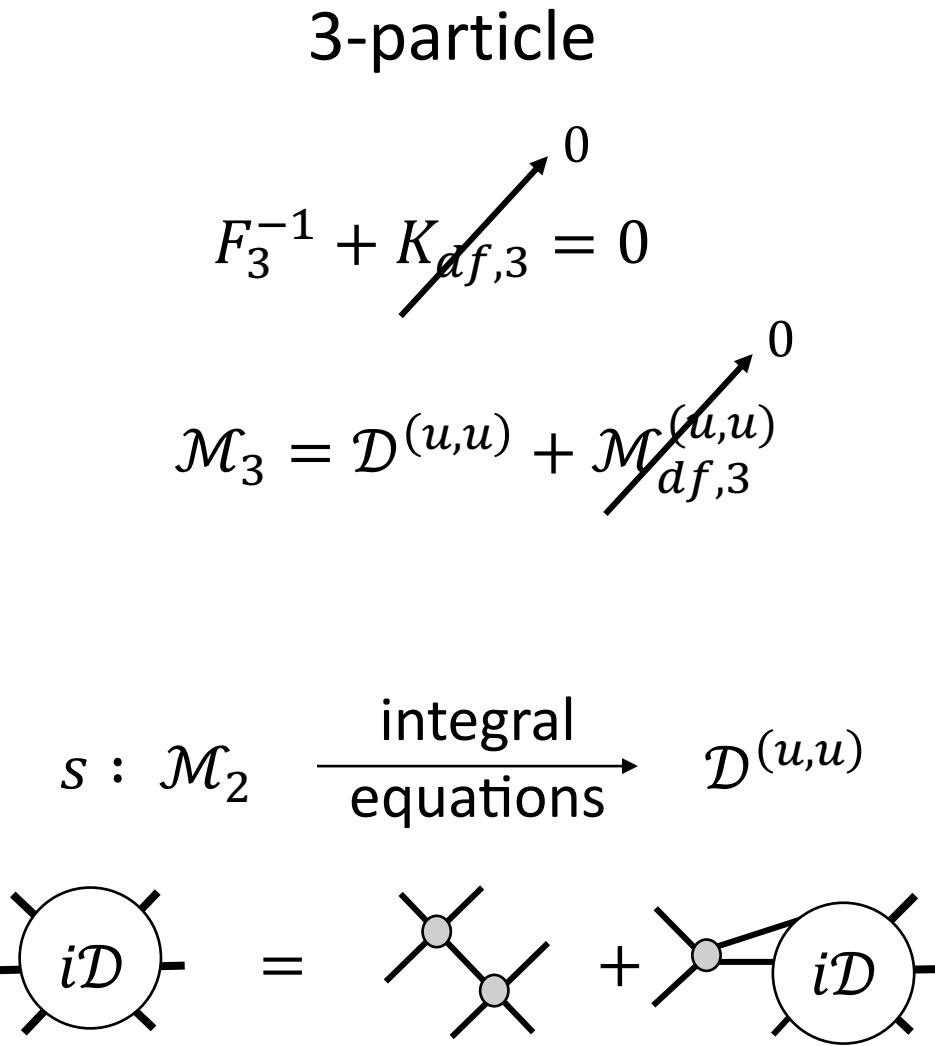
$$s : \mathcal{M}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{integral equations}} \mathcal{D}^{(u,u)}$$



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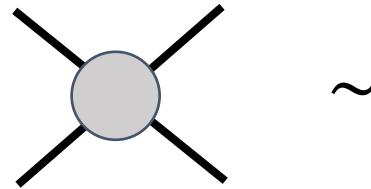


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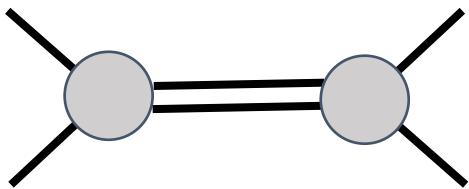


# Testing the 3-body formalism – bound states

Thursday talks by:  
Md Habib Islam (Digonto)  
Sebastian Dawid

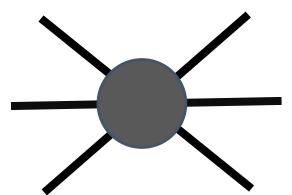


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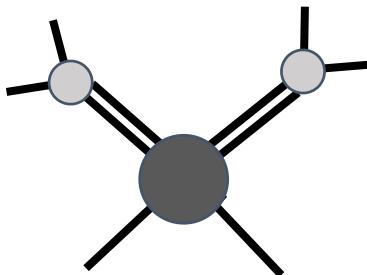


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$$i g \frac{i}{s - s_b} i g$$



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$$i g \frac{i}{s_{2k} - s_b} i \mathcal{M}_{\varphi b} \frac{i}{s_{2p} - s_b} i g$$

$$\mathcal{M}_{\varphi b} = g^2 \lim_{s_{2k}, s_{2p} \rightarrow s_b} d^{(u,u)}(p, k)$$

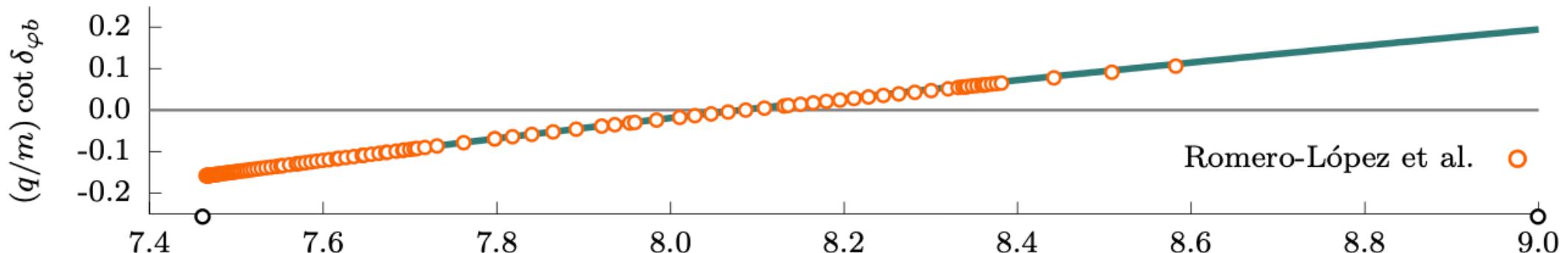
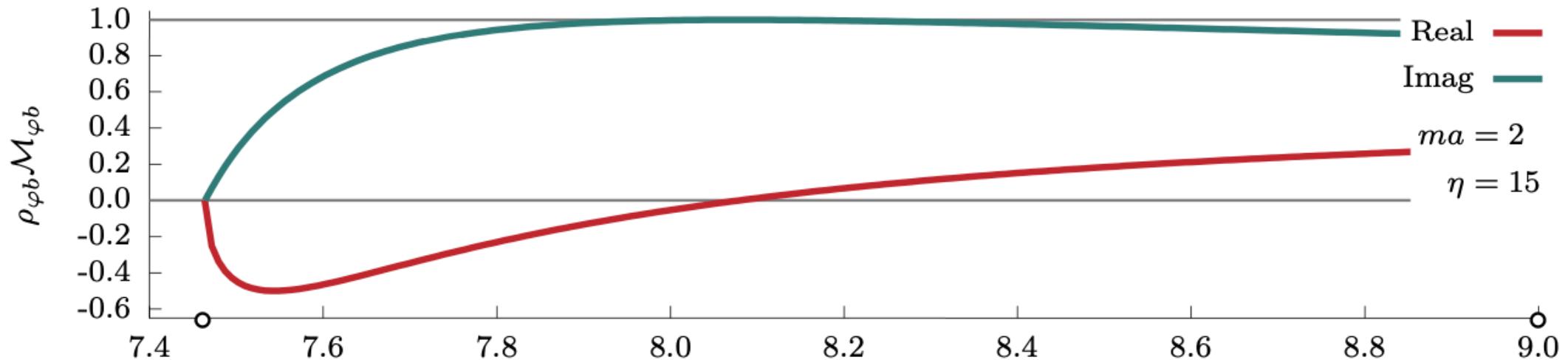
$$\mathcal{D}^{(u,u)}(p, k) = \mathcal{M}_2(p) d^{(u,u)}(p, k) \mathcal{M}_2(k)$$

Jackura, Briceño, Dawid,  
Islam, McCarty PRD (2020)

# Testing the 3-body formalism – bound states

$$F_3^{-1} = 0 \rightarrow F_2^{-1} + K_{\varphi b} = 0$$

Jackura, Briceño, Dawid, Islam,  
McCarty PRD (2020)  
Romero-López, Sharpe, Blanton,  
Briceno, Hansen PRD (2019)



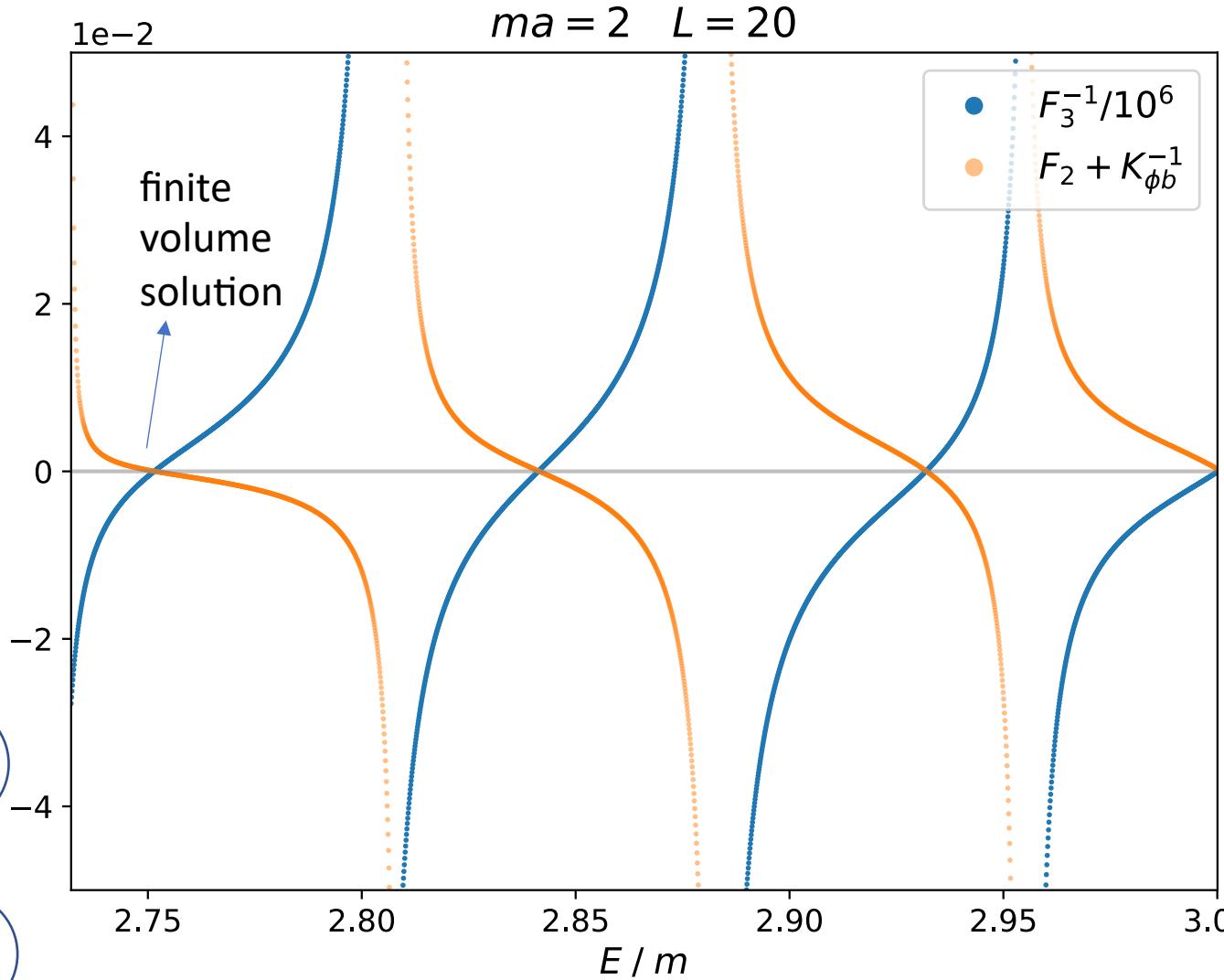
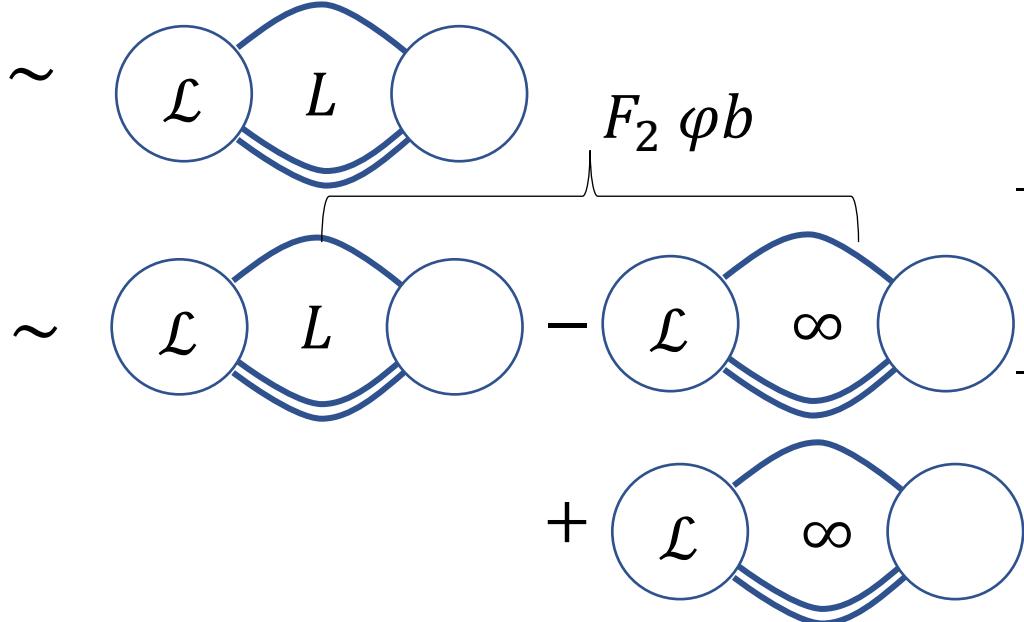
# Testing the 3-body formalism – bound states: QC3 $\rightarrow$ QC2

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Analytically?

Briceño, Davoudi  
PRD (2012)

$$F_3 \supset - \sum F_2 \mathcal{M}_2 F_2$$

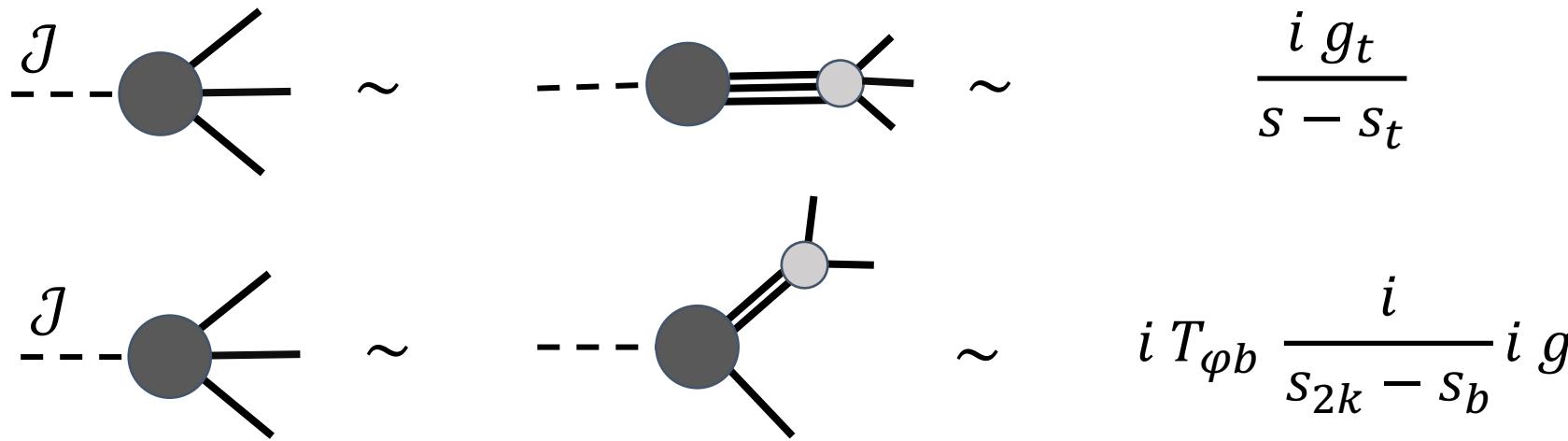


# Testing the 3-body formalism – bound states: Decay amplitudes

Hansen, Romero-López, Sharpe PRD (2021)

$$T_3 = \mathcal{L}^{(u),iso}(k) A^{iso}$$

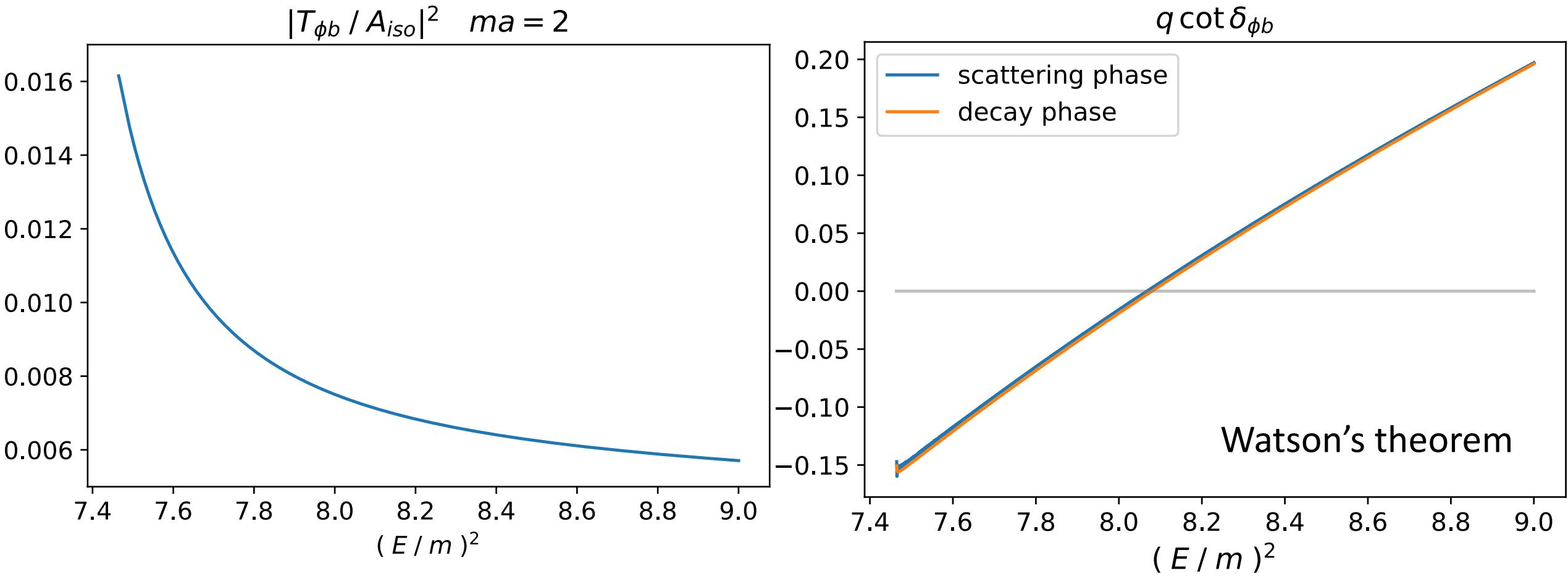
$$K_{df,3} = 0 + s\text{-wave} + \text{isotropic}$$



$$T_{\varphi b}(E) = \lim_{s_{2k} \rightarrow s_b} -g \left[ \tilde{\rho}_{PV}(k) + \int \frac{s^2 ds}{\omega_s (2\pi)^3} d^{(u,u)}(k, s) \mathcal{M}_2(s) \tilde{\rho}_{PV}(s) \right] A^{iso}$$

same as for  $\mathcal{M}_{\varphi b}$

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$$\left| \frac{T_3}{FV ME} \right|^2 \propto \frac{\partial F_3^{iso}(E, L)^{-1}}{\partial E} \longrightarrow$$

finite volume matrix element

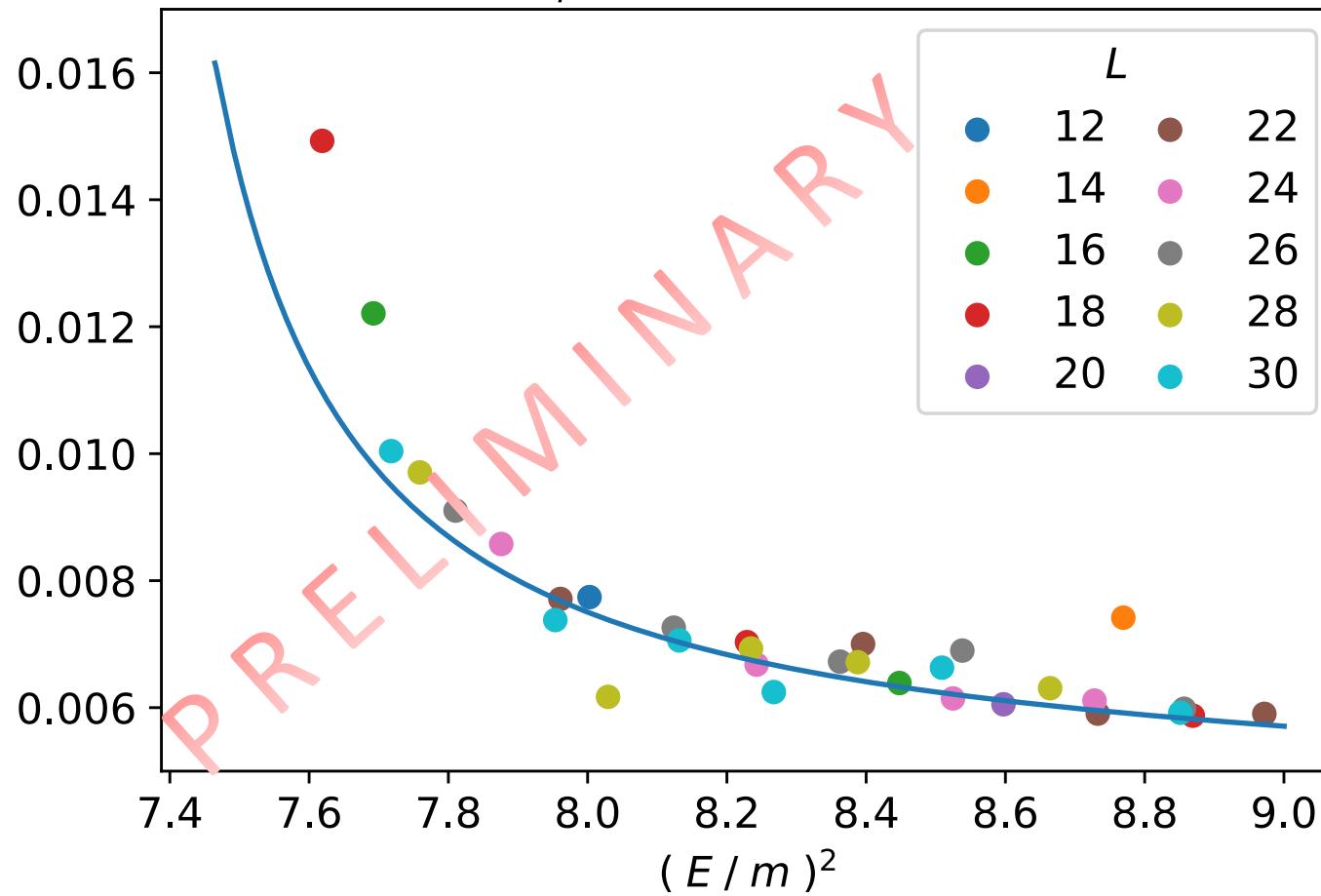
Lellouch, Lüscher Comm. Math. Physics (2001)

$$\left| \frac{T_2}{FV ME} \right|^2 \propto \frac{\partial F_2(E, L)^{-1}}{\partial E} + \frac{\partial K_2(E)}{\partial E}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{T_{\varphi b}}{A^{iso}} \right|^2 &= \frac{1}{|1 - i\rho K_{\varphi b}|} \\ &\times \left( \frac{\partial F_2^{-1}}{\partial E} + \frac{\partial K_{\varphi b}}{\partial E} \right) \\ &\times \left( \frac{\partial F_3^{iso-1}}{\partial E} \right)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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$|T_{\phi b} / A_{iso}|^2 \quad ma = 2$



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