The nucleon spectral function in the nuclear medium

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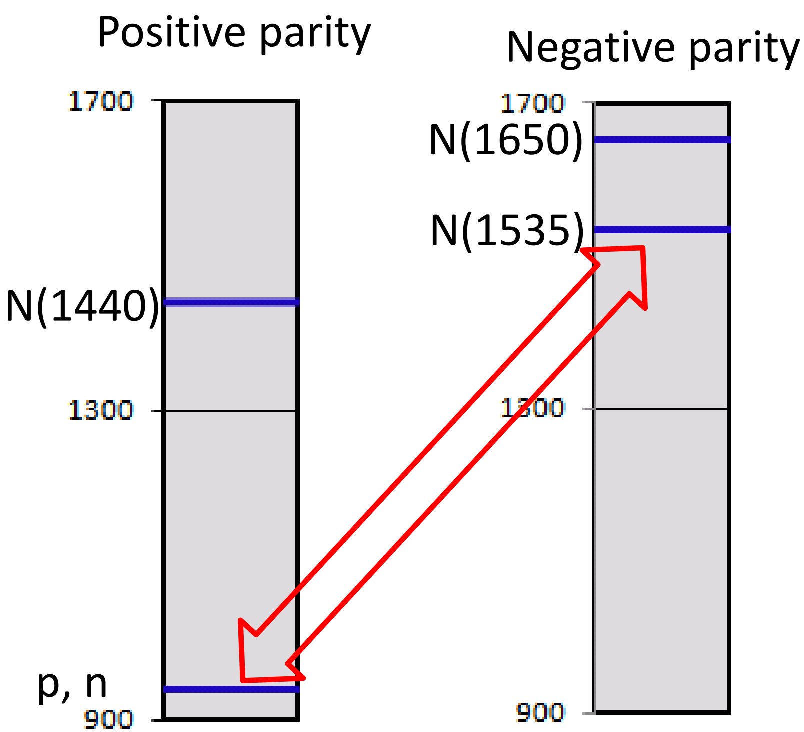
Introduction

Mass spectrum of the nucleons



- The mass difference between nucleon ground state and N(1535) is about 600 MeV.

- It is predicted that Chiral symmetry breaking cause these difference.

When chiral symmetry is restored, the mass spectrum will change.

To investigate these properties from QCD, non perturbative method is needed.

⇨ Analysis of QCD sum rule in nuclear medium

Nucleon QCD sum rules

$$\Pi(q) \equiv i \int e^{iqx} \langle 0|T[\eta(x)\overline{\eta}(0)]|0\rangle d^4x$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\mathrm{Im}\Pi(t)}{t-q^2} dt = \int_0^\infty \frac{\rho(t)}{t-q^2} dt$$

is calculated by the operator product expansion (OPE)

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pi(q) &= \not{q}\Pi_1(q^2) + \Pi_2(q^2) \\
&= \not{q}\sum_i C_i(q^2)\langle 0|O_i|0\rangle + \sum_j C'_j(q^2)\langle 0|O'_j|0\rangle \\
&= \not{q}\left(C_0(q^2) + C_4(q^2)\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}G^2\rangle + C_6(q^2)\langle \overline{q}q\rangle^2 + \cdots\right) \\
&\quad + C_3(q^2)\underline{\langle \overline{q}q\rangle} + C_5(q^2)\langle \overline{q}g\sigma\cdot Gq\rangle + \cdots
\end{aligned}$$

$C_i(q^2)$: Coefficient

$\langle 0|O_i|0\rangle$: Condensate

Chiral condensate

$\Pi(q)$ calculated by OPE is related to the hadronic spectral function

Nucleon QCD sum rules

$$\Pi_{OPE}(q^2) = \int_0^\infty \frac{\rho(t)}{t-q^2} dt$$

$\Downarrow$ " Transformation"

$$G_{OPE}(x) = \int_0^\infty K(x,\omega)\rho(\omega)d\omega$$

x: parameter

Borel sum rule: $K(M_B,\omega) = \exp(-\frac{\omega^2}{M_B^2})$ Parameter: M_B(Borel mass)

Gaussian sum rule: $K(S,\tau,\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\tau}}\exp(-\frac{(\omega^2-s)^2}{4\tau})$ Parameter: S,τ

Parity projection

$$G^{\pm}(x) = [C_0(x) + C_4(x)\langle\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}G^2\rangle + C_6(x)\langle\overline{q}q\rangle^2 + \cdots]$$
$$\pm [C_3(x)\langle\overline{q}q\rangle + C_5(x)\langle\overline{q}g\sigma\cdot Gq\rangle\cdots]$$

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Phase - rotated kernel

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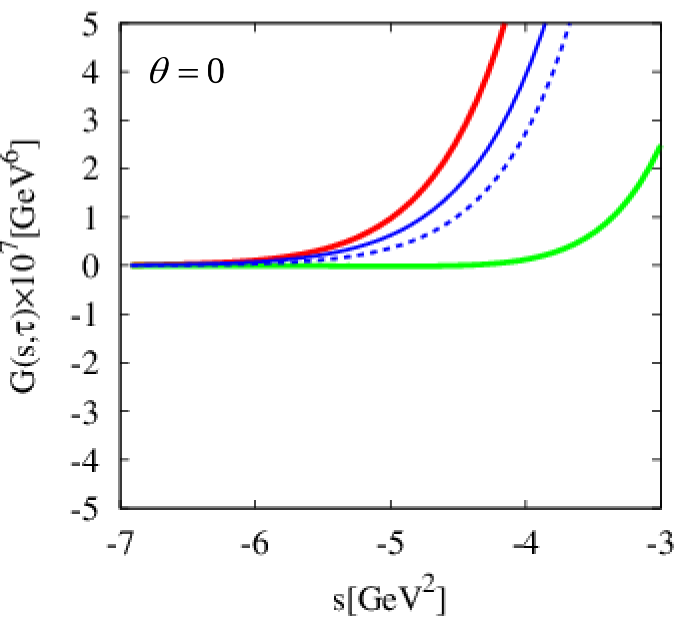
$$G_{OPE}(s,\tau) = \int_0^\infty K(s,\tau,\omega)\,\rho(\omega)\,d\omega$$

$$K(s,\tau,\omega)d\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\tau}}\omega \mathrm{e}^{-\frac{(\omega^2-s)^2}{4\tau}}d\omega \;\Rightarrow\; \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\tau}}\mathrm{Re}[\omega \mathrm{e}^{-i\theta}\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{(\omega^2\mathrm{e}^{-2i\theta}-s)^2}{4\tau}}\mathrm{e}^{-i\theta}d\omega]$$

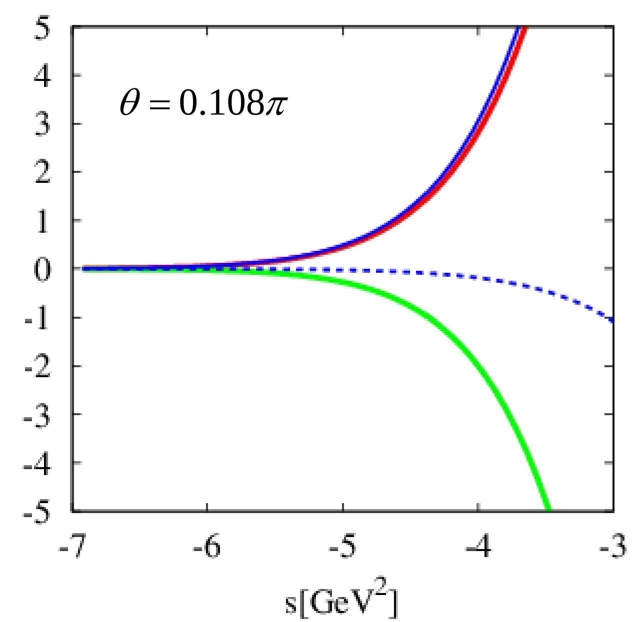
Normal kernel

Phase – rotated kernel



Positive parity OPE
Negative parity OPE
Perturbative term
Chiral condensate term

$\tau = 1.5\mathrm{GeV}^4$



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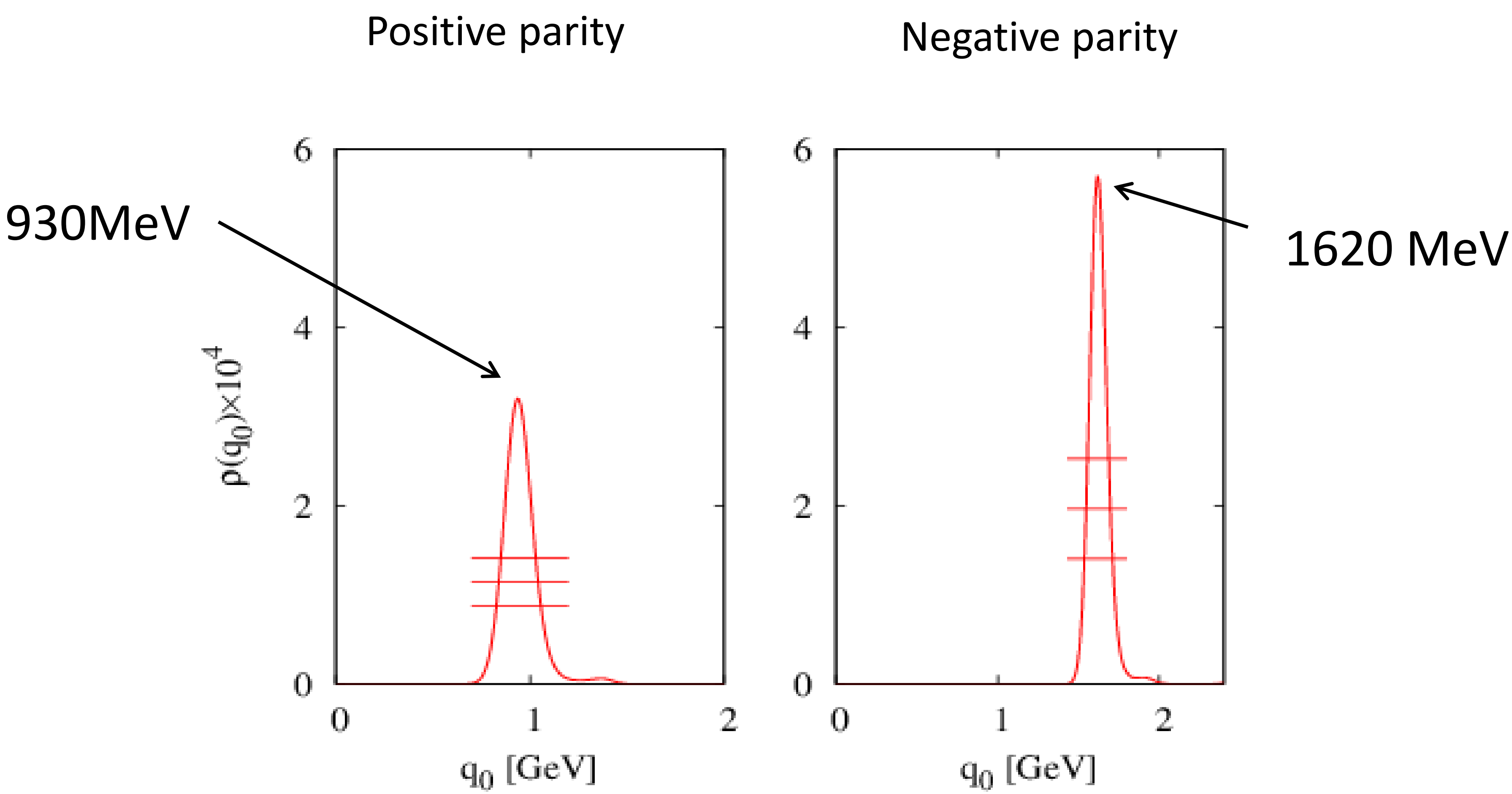
Nucleon QCD sum rules



In both positive and negative parity, the peaks are found.

In the negative parity analysis, the peak correspond to the N(1535) or (and) N(1650).

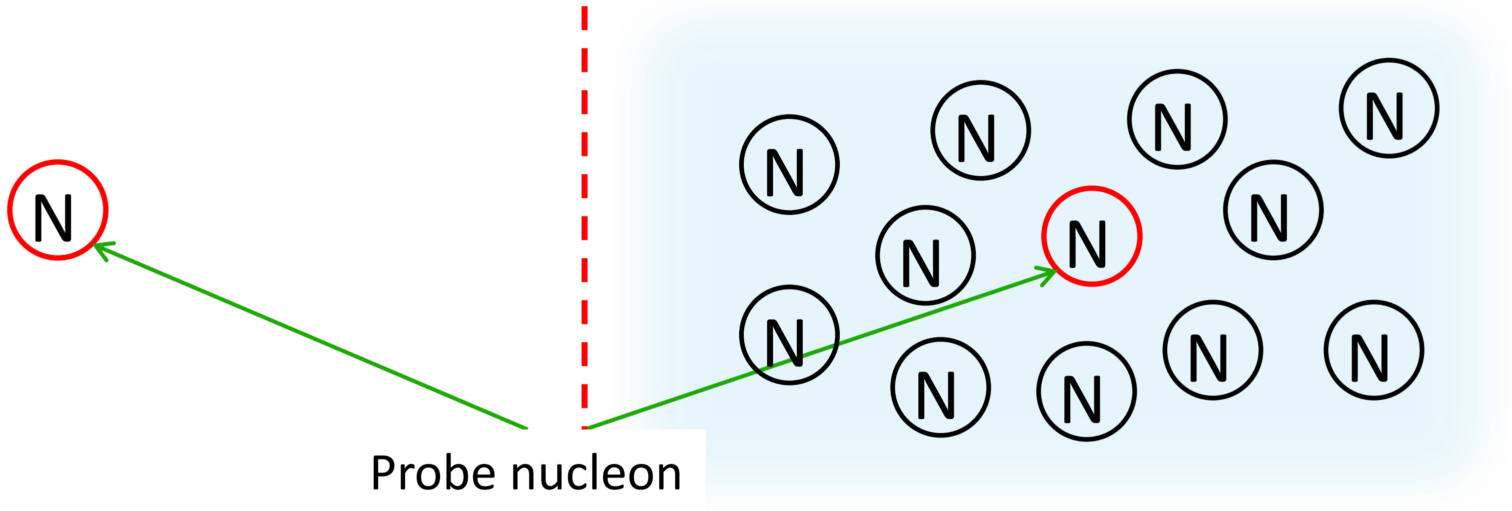
Nucleon QCD sum rules in the nuclear matter

Vacuum

$$\Pi(q) = i\int d^4x e^{iqx} \langle \underline{0} | T[\eta(x)\overline{\eta}(0)] | \underline{0} \rangle$$

Nuclear medium

$$\Pi(q) = i\int d^4x e^{iqx} \langle \underline{\Psi_0} | T[\eta(x)\overline{\eta}(0)] | \underline{\Psi_0} \rangle$$



Application of this analysis to the spectral function in nuclear matter

Condensate: $\langle 0|O_i|0\rangle \Rightarrow \langle \Psi_0|O_i|\Psi_0\rangle$

Ψ_0 : Nuclear matter ground state

For example,

Chiral condensate : $\langle \overline{q}q\rangle_0 \Rightarrow \langle \overline{q}q\rangle_{\rho_N} = \langle \overline{q}q\rangle_0 + \frac{\sigma_N}{2m_q}\rho_N + \cdots$

$\langle q^\dagger q\rangle_{\rho_N}$

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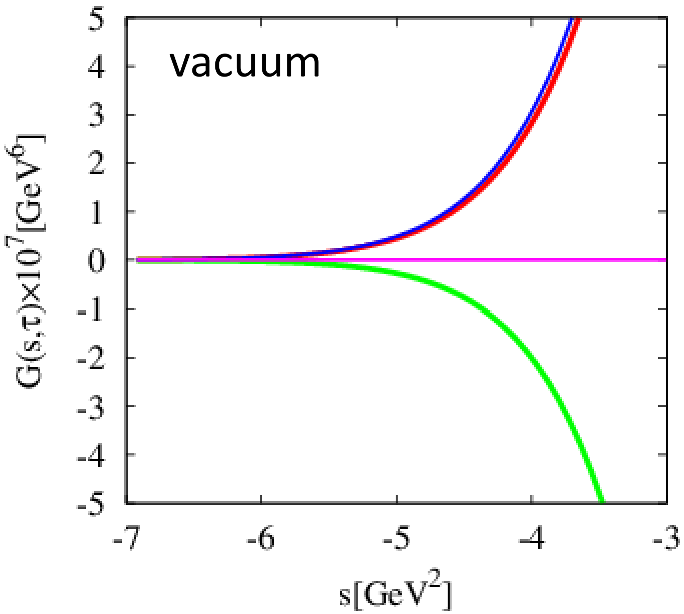

Positive parity OPE data

Negative parity OPE data

$\langle \overline{q}q \rangle_{\rho_N}$ term

$\langle q^\dagger q \rangle_{\rho_N}$ term

n_0: nuclear matter density

Positive parity OPE data: $+\, C_1 \langle \overline{q}q \rangle_{\rho_N} + C_2 \langle q^\dagger q \rangle_{\rho_N}$

Negative parity OPE data: $-\, C_1 \langle \overline{q}q \rangle_{\rho_N} + C_2 \langle q^\dagger q \rangle_{\rho_N}$

Vacuum

Propagator: $$\frac{1}{\not{q} - M + i\epsilon}$$

Nuclear medium

Propagator: $$\frac{1}{\not{q} - M - \Sigma(q) + i\epsilon}$$

$$\frac{\not{q} - \not{u}\Sigma_v + M^*}{(q_0 - E + i\epsilon)(q_0 + \overline{E} - i\epsilon)}$$

Pole of positive energy state: $E = \sqrt{M^{*2} + \vec{q}^2} + \Sigma_v$

Pole of negative energy state: $-\overline{E} = -\sqrt{M^{*2} + \vec{q}^2} + \Sigma_v$

Effective mass: $M^* = M + \Sigma_s$

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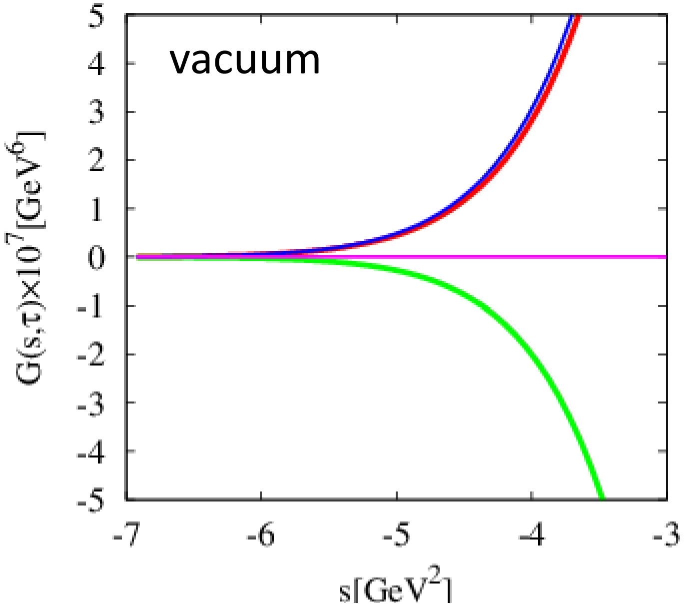

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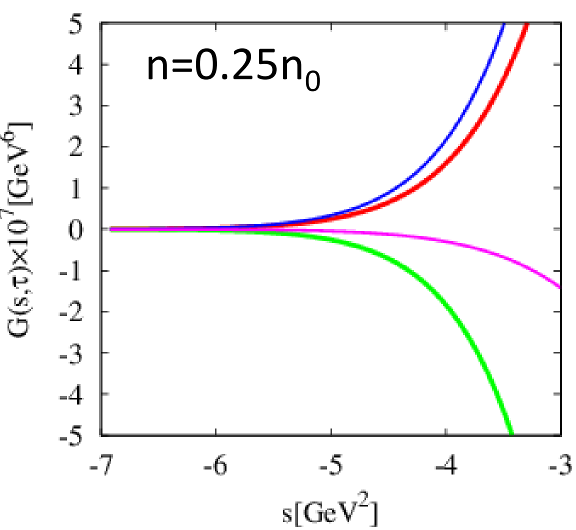

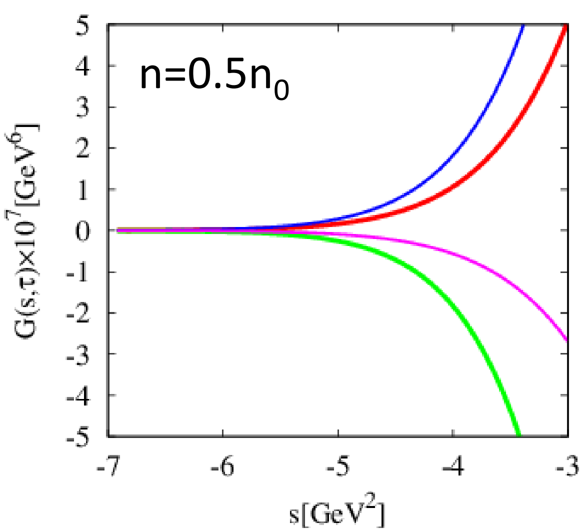

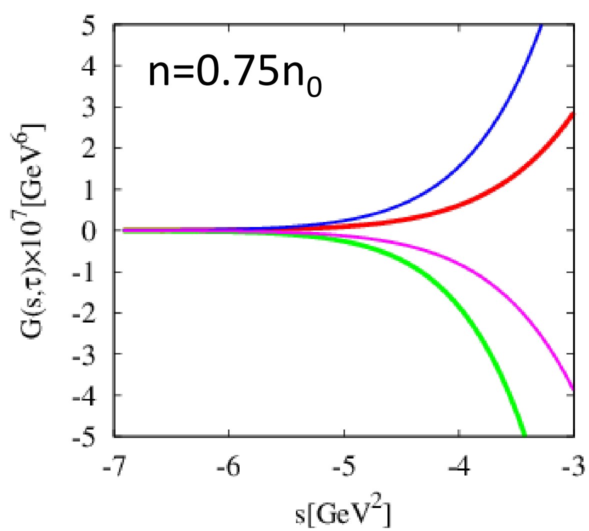

Nucleon QCD sum rules in the nuclear matter

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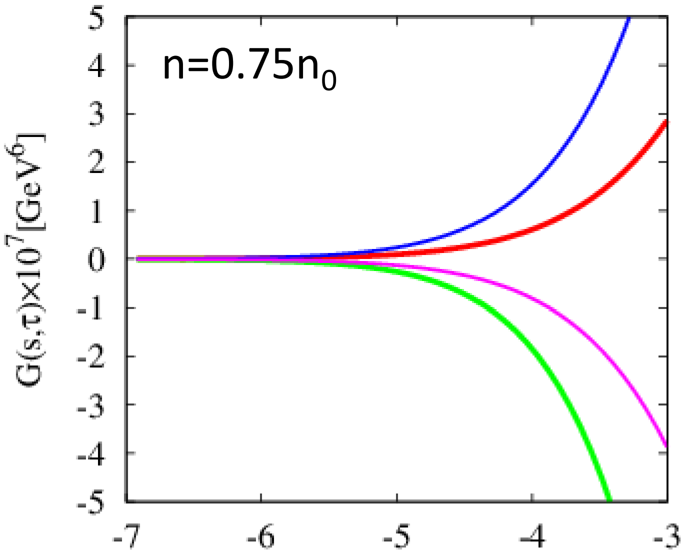

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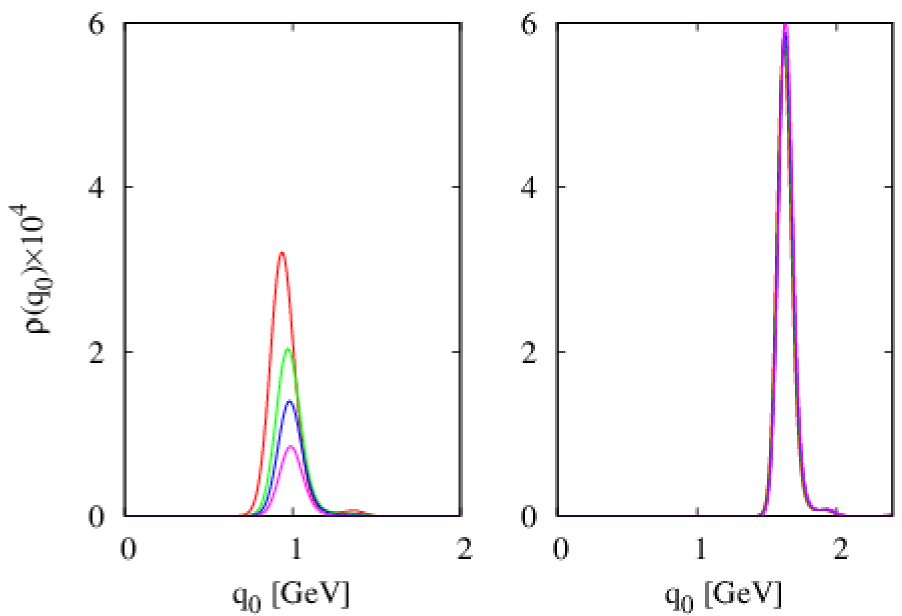

: Vacuum

: $n=0.25n_0$

: $n=0.5n_0$

: $n=0.75n_0$

The peak position ($E = \sqrt{q^2 + M^{*2}} + \Sigma^v$) is hardly sifted.

Nucleon QCD sum rules in the nuclear matter

preliminary

n_0: nuclear matter density

		Vacuum	$n=0.25n_0$	$n=0.5n_0$	$n=0.75n_0$
Positive parity	M^*_{0+}	930	850	710	470
	Σ^v_{0+}	0	120	270	500
Negative parity	M^*_{0-}	1620	1630	1650	1680
	Σ^v_{0-}	0	0	-20	-50

Summary

- We analyze the nucleon spectral function by using QCD sum rules with MEM

- We construct the parity projected sum rule using phase - rotated Gaussian kernel with α_s correction.

- It is found that, in this sum rule, chiral condensate term is dominant and continuum contributions is reduced.

- The information of not only the ground state but also the negative parity excited state is extracted

- We investigate the effective masses and the vector self-energies in the nuclear medium.