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# Mesons in nuclei and partial restoration of chiral symmetry

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# Motivation

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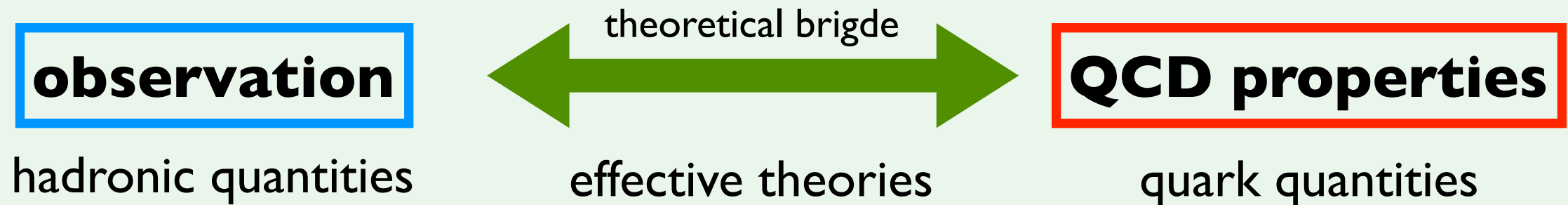
hadrons in nuclei = systems of hadron and nucleus

- as **hadron physics**

- a tool to investigate QCD vacuum structure,  
such as mechanism of spontaneous **chiral symmetry** breaking
- QCD vacuum structure can change in different environments
- nucleus provides us a finite density system

- for **other research areas**

- we obtain important constraints on high density physics  
with controlled experiments on the earth



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## model-independent theoretical relation

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle^* = \left( 1 - \frac{\sigma_{\pi N}}{m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \rho \right) \langle \bar{q}q \rangle + \mathcal{O}(\rho^{n>1})$$

$\sigma_{\pi N}$  :  $\pi N$  sigma term,  $\mathcal{O}(m_q)$ ,  
obtained from  $T_{\pi N}$  at soft limit

## low density expansion

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle^* = \underbrace{\langle 0 | \bar{q}q | 0 \rangle}_{\text{negative}} + \underbrace{\rho \langle N | \bar{q}q | N \rangle}_{\sigma_{\pi N} : \text{positive}} + \mathcal{O}(\rho^{n>1})$$

Drukarev, Levin,  
Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 27, 77 (1991)

### $\pi N \sigma$ term

$$2m_q \langle N | \bar{q}q | N \rangle = \sigma_{\pi N}$$

### Gell-Mann Oakes Renner relation

$$m_\pi^2 f_\pi^2 = -2m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle$$

- 30-40 % reduction at saturation density, if one believes linear extrapolation
- quark condensate is not direct observable, but hadronic quantities like  $f_\pi$  are.

# Partial restoration of chiral symmetry

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**theoretical  
issue**

density dependence of quark condensate  
(beyond the linear density approximation)

**phenomenological  
issue**

other phenomena expected by partial restoration  
(other meson-nucleus system than pion)

# Expectations in partial restoration

## - reduction of mass generated by chiral symmetry breaking

- masses of some hadrons are generated by ChSB
- (a part of) nucleon mass is generated by ChSB  
in-medium effective mass of nucleon is  $0.7m_N$  in RMF

$\eta'$

- a part of  $\eta'$  mass is generated by ChSB
- large scalar potential for in-medium  $\eta'$

DJ, Nagahiro, Hirenzaki,  
PRC85 (12) 032201(R)

## - reduction of mass difference between chiral partners

- chiral partners should degenerate in chiral restoration limit
- reduce the mass difference in partial restoration  
(more precisely, their spectral functions tend to degenerate)

$\eta$

$\eta$  meson has strong coupling to  $N^*(1535)$   
in medium  $\eta$  meson probes chiral symmetry of N and  $N^*$

DJ, Nagahiro, Hirenzaki, PRC66, 045202 (02).  
Nagahiro, DJ, Hirenzaki, PRC68, 035805 (03); NPA761, 92 (05)  
DJ, Kolomeitsev, Nagahiro, Hirenzaki, NPA811, 158 (08)



# Expectations in partial restoration

## - wave function renormalization for Nambu-Goldstone boson

- NG bosons are described by chiral effective theory  
ChPT : expansion of NG boson momentum (and quark mass)
- energy dependent interactions with nucleon  
vanish in the soft limit ( $q \rightarrow 0$ ) and chiral limit (Adler zero)
- large wave function renormalization

$$Z = \left(1 - \frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial p_0^2}\right)^{-1} \quad \Sigma : \text{self-energy}$$

in medium, various quantities changes

$K^+, \pi^0$

- enhancement of  $K^+$ -nucleus elastic scattering
- 40% enhancement of  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  decay

Aoki, DJ, PTEP 2017, I03D01.

Goda, DJ, PTEP 2014, 033D03.

$\eta'$  meson

# $\eta'$ meson and chiral symmetry

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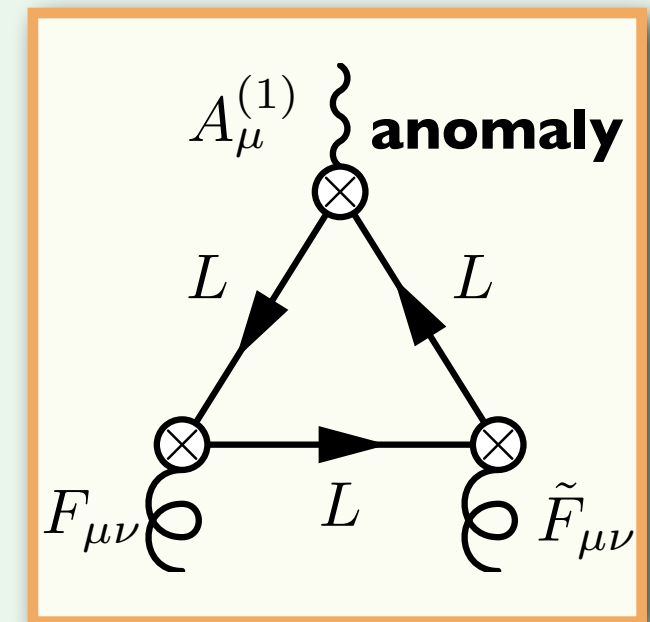
$$\text{Full width } \Gamma = 0.198 \pm 0.009 \text{ MeV}$$

- $U_A(1)$  symmetry is actually broken by quantum effect (quantum anomaly).  
thus,  $\eta'$  meson is NOT a Nambu-Goldstone boson.  
this is the reason that  $\eta'$  meson has a large mass.

- thanks to vector couplings,  
chirality does not change in anomaly diagram
- pseudoscalar meson is composed of a pair of right and left quarks.

$$\bar{q}\gamma_5 q = \bar{q}_L q_R - \bar{q}_R q_L$$

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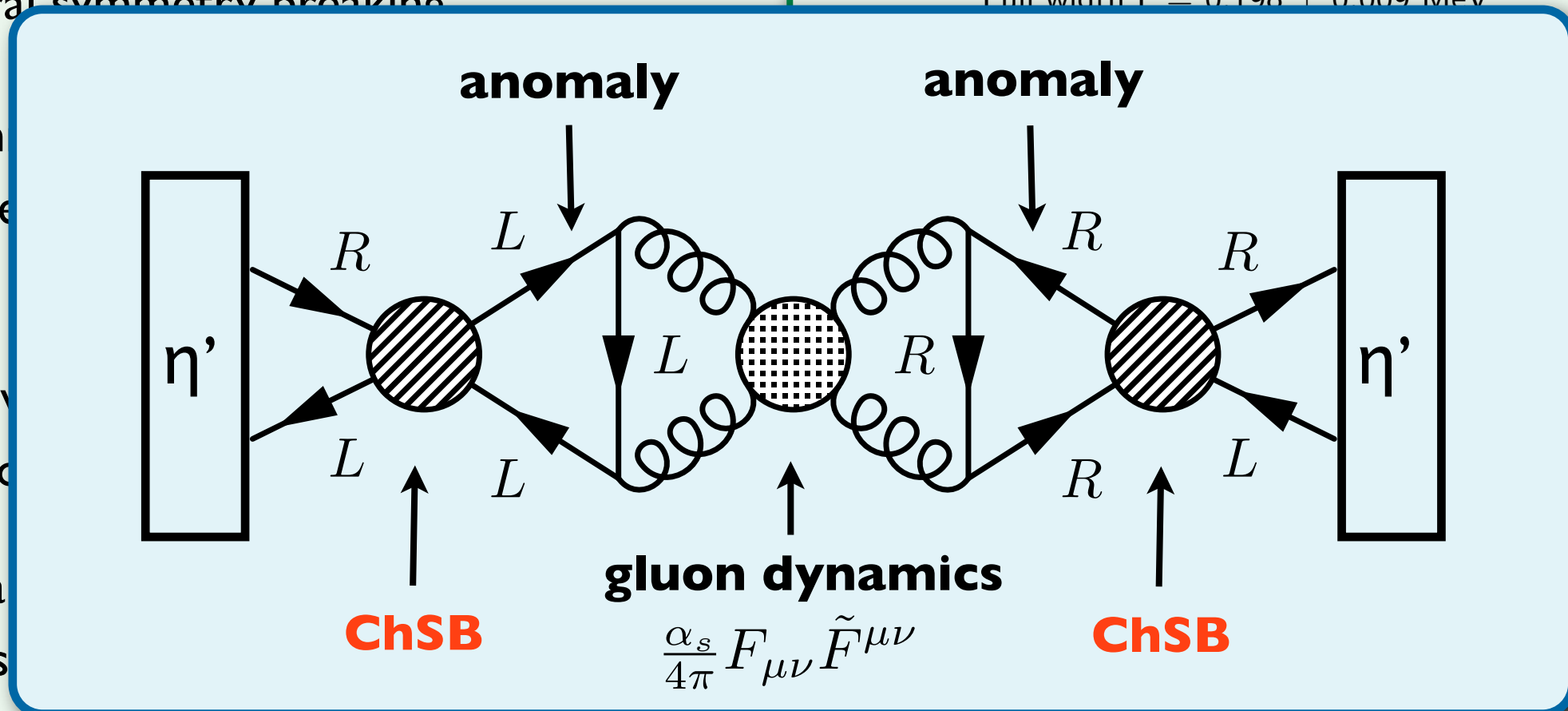
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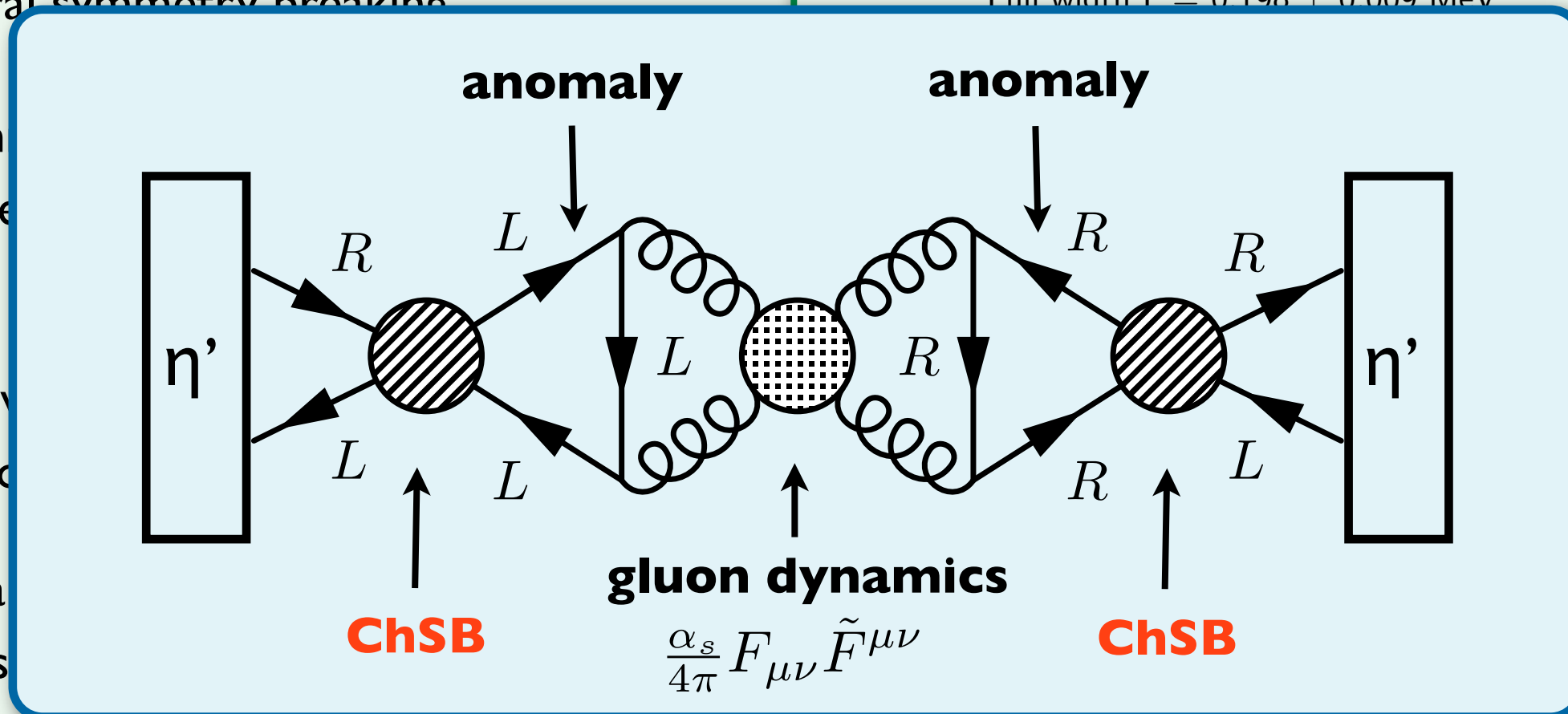
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- because quark masses are small, spontaneous breaking induces the  $\eta'$  mass generation. therefore, once partial restoration takes place,  $\eta'$  mass should be reduced.

# $\eta'$ meson in chiral restoration

DJ, Nagahiro, Hirenzaki,  
PRC85 (12) 032201(R)  
DJ, Sakai, Nagahiro, Hirenzaki,  
Ikeno, NPA914 (13) 354

## a group theoretical argument

- Let us consider chiral  $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$  symmetry,  
because  **$U_A(1)$  is always broken by anomaly**

### Scalar and Pseudoscalar mesons

parity eigenstate

$$(\bar{\mathbf{3}}, \mathbf{3}) \oplus (\mathbf{3}, \bar{\mathbf{3}}) \quad \bar{q}_i^L q_j^R \quad \bar{q}_i^R q_j^L$$

9 scalar and 9 pseudoscalar

$$\bar{\mathbf{3}} \otimes \mathbf{3} = \mathbf{1} \oplus \mathbf{8}$$

$$\bar{q}_i \gamma_5 q_j, \bar{q}_i q_j$$

**contains both octet and singlet**

$\sigma_0$   
scalar  
singlet

$\pi, K, \eta_8$   
pseudoscalar  
octet

$\eta_0$   
pseudoscalar  
singlet

$a_0, \kappa, f_0$   
scalar  
octet

- In fact,  $\eta_0$  and  $\eta_8$  are in the same multiplet even **without  $U_A(1)$  symmetry**

Therefore, when chiral symmetry is restored,

**$\eta_8$  and  $\eta_0$  get degenerate** in chiral limit

dynamical study was performed by Cohen and Lee-Hatsuda

Cohen, PRD54, 1867 (1996)  
Lee, Hatsuda, PRD54, 1871 (1996)

# $\eta'$ meson in nuclear matter

DJ, Nagahiro, Hirenzaki,  
PRC85 (12) 032201(R)

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## simple order estimation

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chiral effective theories tell similar results.

linear sigma model

Sakai, DJ, PRC88 (13) 064906

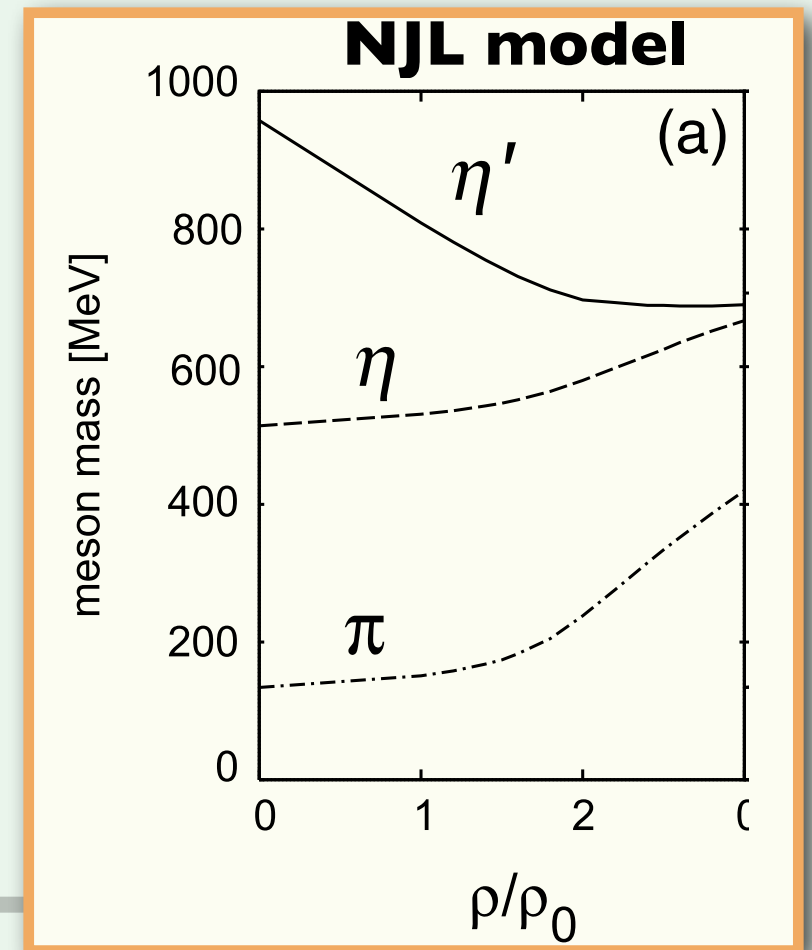
$$\Delta m_{\eta'} \sim 80 \text{ MeV} @ \rho = \rho_0$$

$$\Delta(m_{\eta'} - m_{\eta}) \sim 130 \text{ MeV} @ \rho = \rho_0$$

NJL model

P. Costa, M. C. Ruivo, and Y. L. Kalinovsky, PLB560, 171 (03).  
Nagahiro, Takizawa, Hirenzaki, PRC74,045203 (2006)

$$\Delta m_{\eta'} \sim 150 \text{ MeV} @ \rho = \rho_0$$





# Hadrons in nuclei

- **mass reduction in infinite matter implies attractive scalar potential for finite systems**
- **mass modification is described as in-medium self-energy**

$$m^2(\rho) = m_0^2 + \Sigma(m^2, \rho)$$

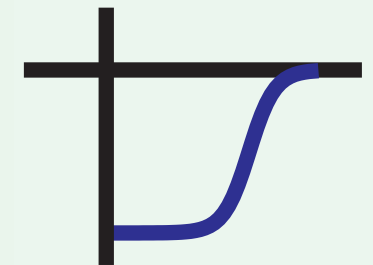
mass reduction  $\rightarrow$  attractive interaction

mass enhancement  $\rightarrow$  repulsive interaction

- for finite system, with local density approximation

$$\Sigma(\rho) \rightarrow \Sigma(\rho(r))$$

- **interaction with medium corresponds to a potential in finite system**
- **mass modification provides a (Lorentz) scalar potential**
- **for  $\eta'$ , we expect about 100 MeV mass reduction in nuclear matter. this corresponds to a 100 MeV attractive scalar potential.**
- with this attractive potential, one expects some  $\eta'$  bound states in nucleus.



position-dependent  
self-energy  $\rightarrow$  potential

# Possible bound state spectra

DJ, Nagahiro, Hirenzaki,  
PRC85 (12) 032201(R)

**mass reduction in nuclear matter provides a scalar potential in finite nucleus**

a simple  $\eta'$  optical potential  
(Woods-Saxon type)

**proportional to nuclear density**

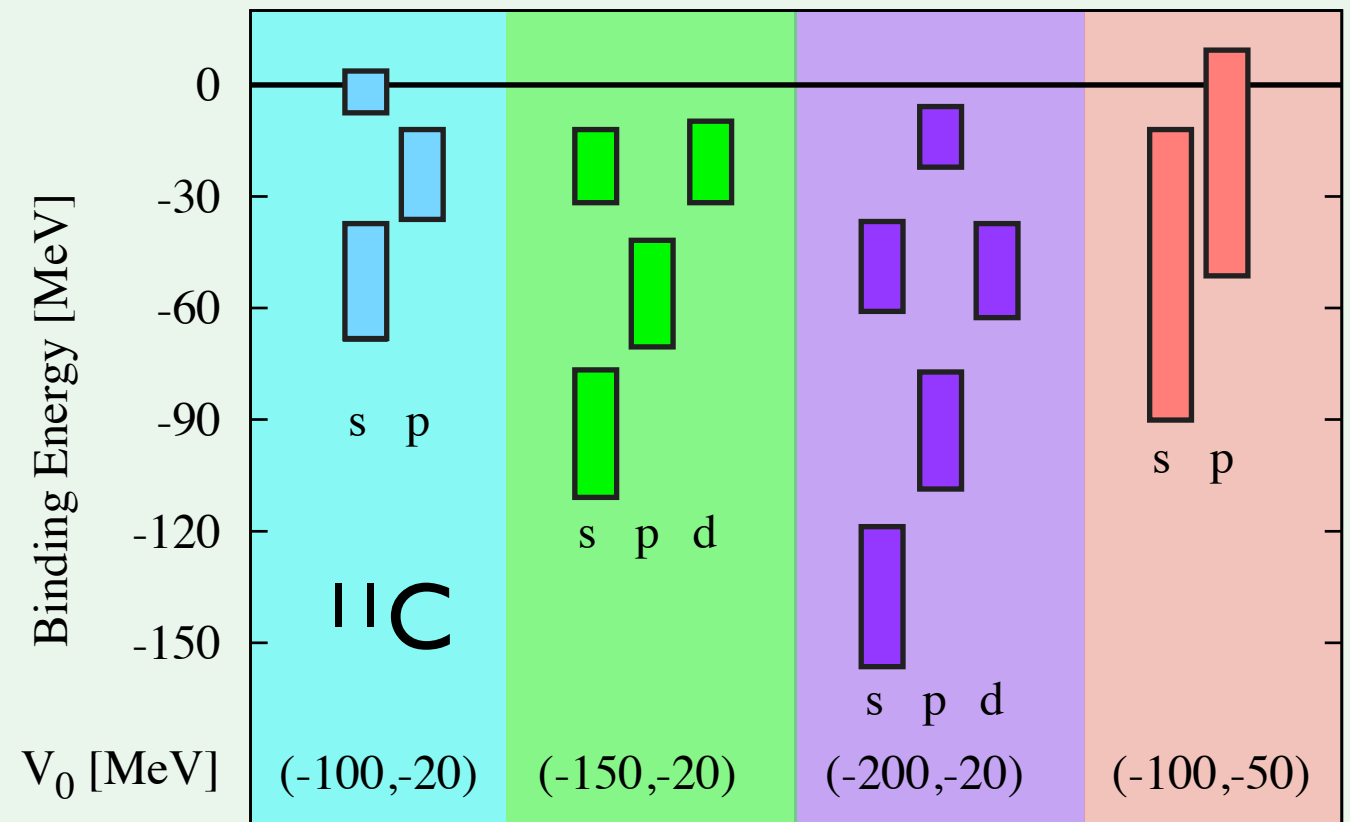
$$V_{\eta'}(r) = V_0 \frac{\rho(r)}{\rho_0}$$

$$\Delta m = 150 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Gamma/2 = 20 \text{ MeV}$$

**Re: theoretical expectation**

**Im: phenomenological observation**



**currently, no distinct structure was observed in formation experiment at GSI**

Tanaka et al. ( $\eta$ -PRiME/Super-FRS Collaboration),  
PRL117 (16) 202501; PRC97 (18) 015202

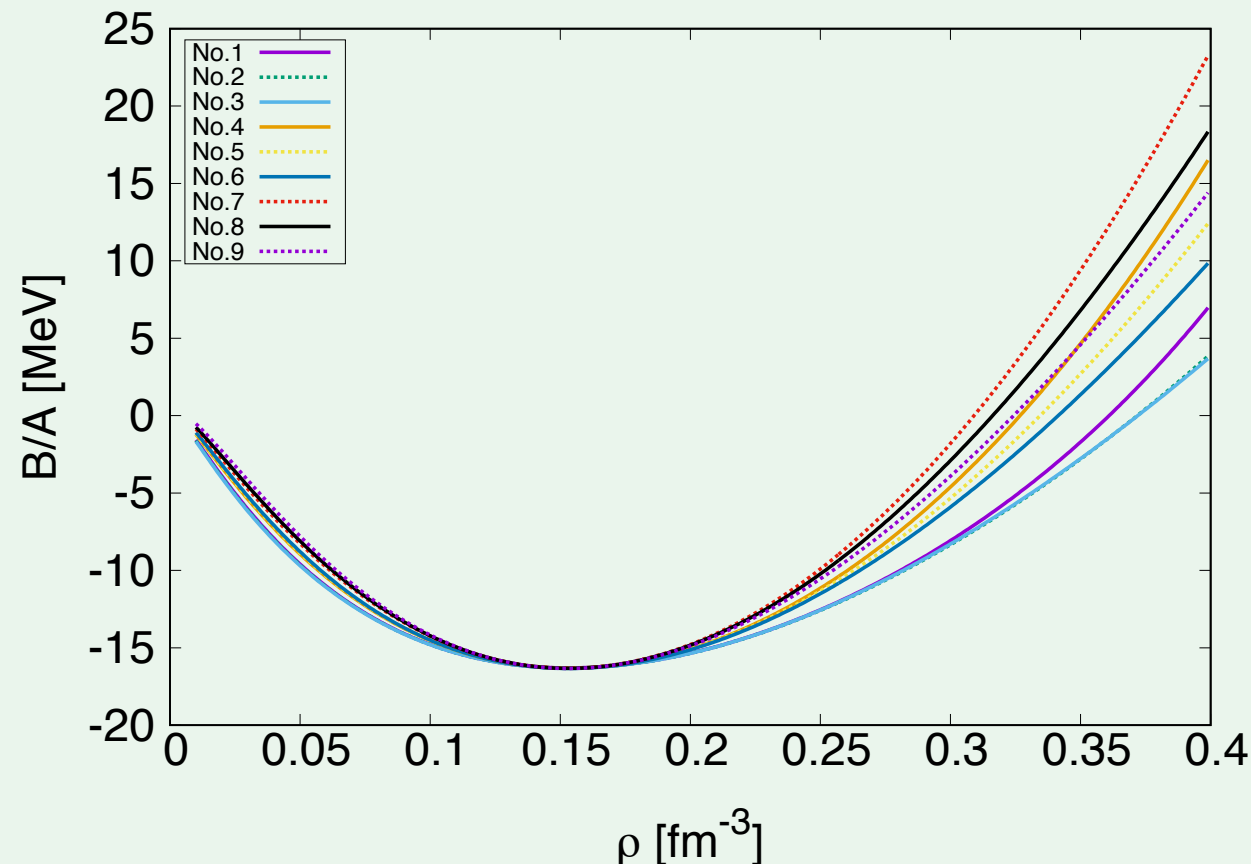
nuclear structure can be changed by strong attraction of  $\eta'$ -A interaction

# Relativistic mean field theory

DJ, Masutani, Hirenzaki,  
arXiv:1808.10140 [nucl-th]

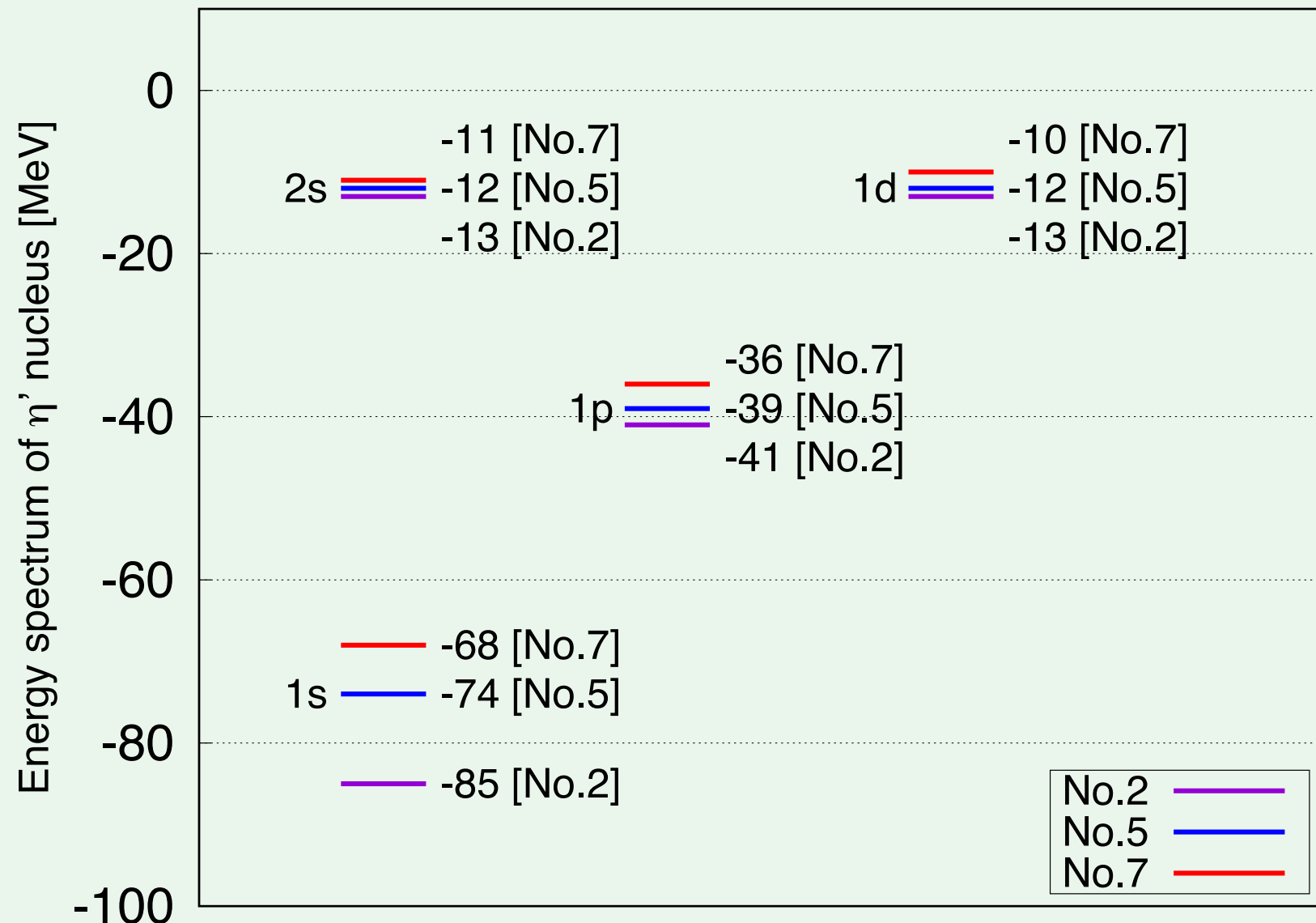
## relativistic mean field theory (RMF), $\sigma$ - $\omega$ model, or Walecka model

- **reproduces saturation properties of nuclear matter within the model**
- using nucleus model reproducing normal nuclei, we investigate  $\eta'$  mesonic nuclei
- **$\eta'$  meson is treated as a matter field like nucleon** and interacts with mean fields
- $\eta'$  interacts with nucleons through the  $\sigma$  field
- **$\eta'\sigma$  coupling is adjusted to have 80 MeV mass reduction of  $\eta'$  meson at saturation density**



Glendenning, Compact Star, (Springer)

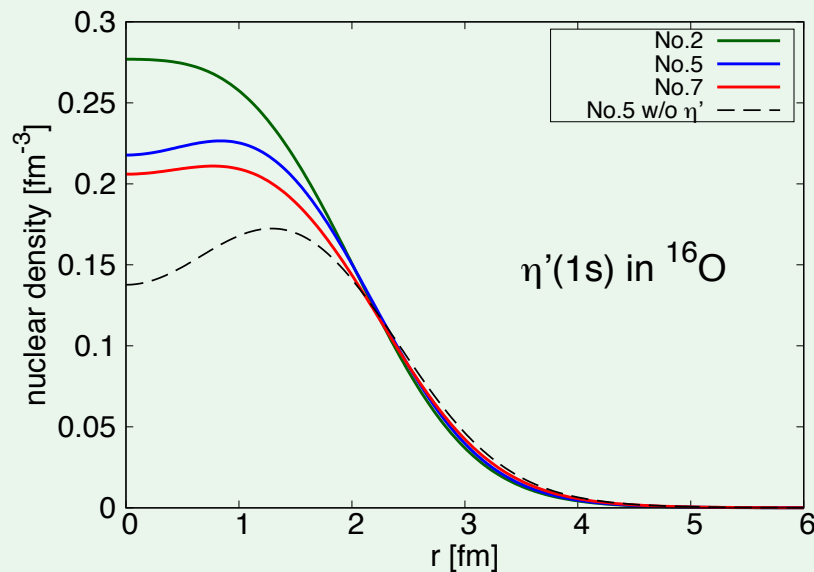
## $\eta'$ bound states in $^{16}\text{O}$



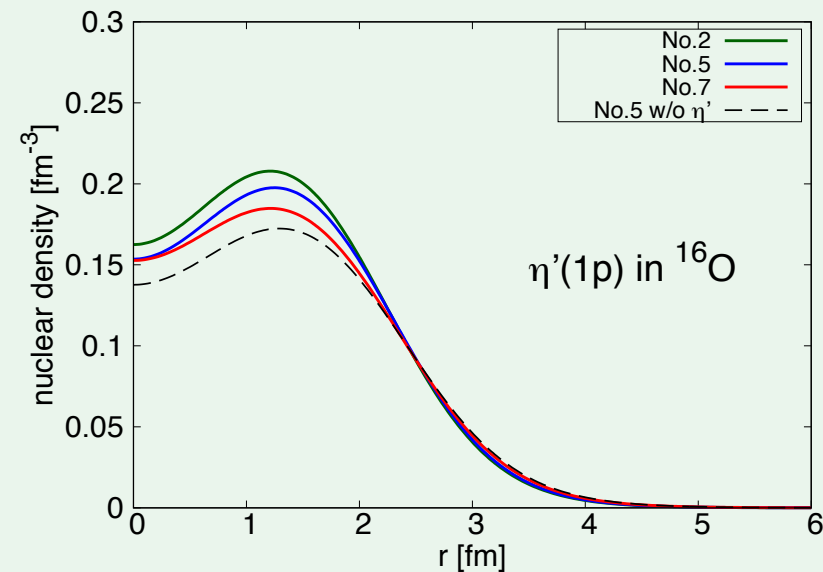
**nuclear EoS**  
**no.2: soft**  
**no.5: medium**  
**no.7: hard**

- four bound states
- binding energies depend slightly on parameters of nuclear matter

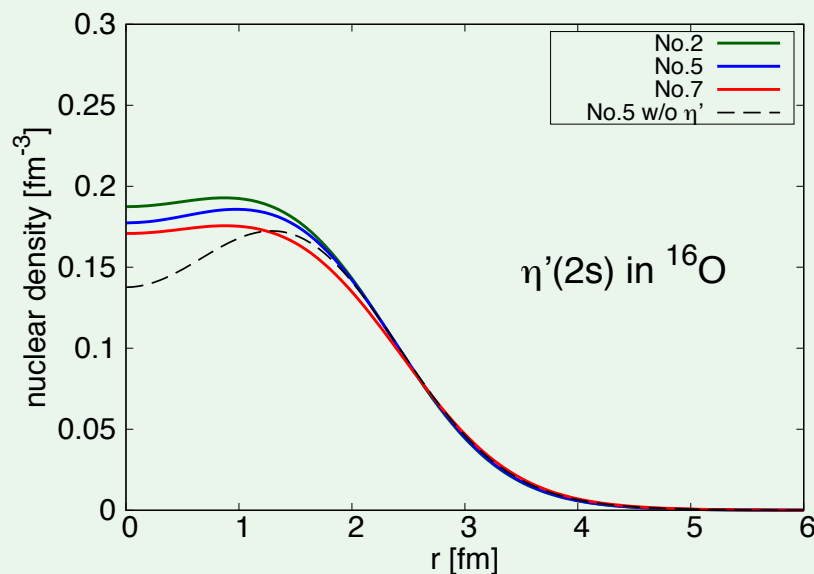
## nuclear density distribution for each $\eta'$ bound state



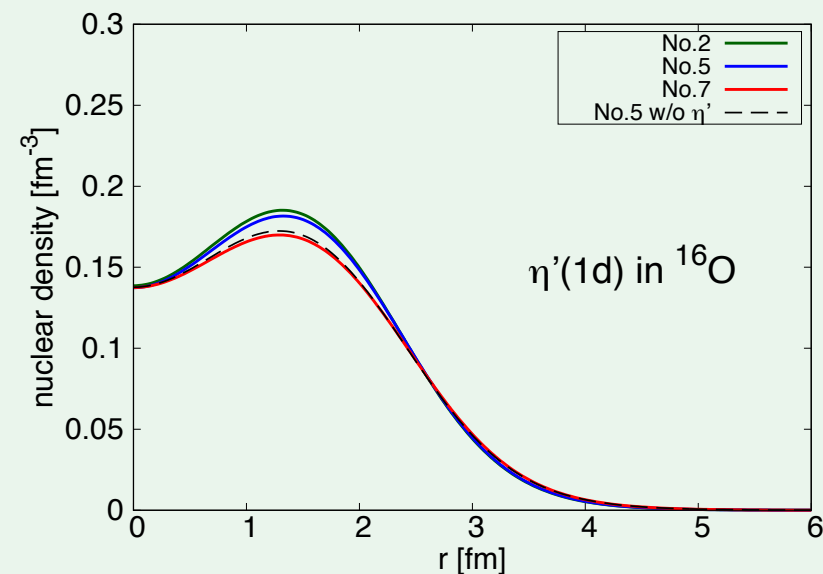
(a) 1s



(b) 1p



(c) 2s



(d) 1d

- density distribution for 1s bound state is quite different from one without  $\eta'$
- it could be hard to produce such state by nuclear reaction

# $\eta'$ -N interaction

Sakai, DJ, PRC88 (13) 064906;  
PTEP2017, 013D01 (17).

linear sigma model picture

nucleon mass is generated also by spontaneous breaking of ChS

$$m_N = g\langle\sigma_0\rangle \rightarrow \text{presence of strong coupling } \sigma NN$$

this is the origin of the strong scalar attraction in NN interaction

in the same way

chiral symmetry breaking generates a part of  $\eta'$  meson with help of anomaly

$$m_{\eta_0}^2 - m_{\eta_8}^2 = 6B\langle\sigma_0\rangle \rightarrow \text{presence of strong coupling } \sigma\eta'\eta'$$

B term : anomaly effect

**we expect strong attraction in  $\eta'$ -N in scalar-isoscalar exchange**

this is the origin of the mass reduction in nuclear matter

## remark

some repulsion could be present in vector potential like  $\omega$  exchange in nuclear force

Weinberg-Tomozawa type interaction vanishes for neutral mesons  
**induced by vector meson exchange**

DJ, Masutani, Hirenzaki,  
arXiv:1808.10140 [nucl-th]

# Role of anomaly term for ChS breaking

Kono (Tokyo Metropolitan University)

Jido (Tokyo Institute of Technology)

Kuroda, Harada (Nagoya University)

# Role of anomaly term for ChS breaking

we believe that anomaly term plays minor role for ChS breaking  
chiral symmetry is broken without anomaly term

Kono, DJ, Kuroda, Harada,  
in preparation

## SU(3) linear $\sigma$ model

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}[\partial_\mu M \partial^\mu M^\dagger] - \frac{\mu^2}{2} \text{Tr}[M M^\dagger] - \frac{\lambda}{4} \text{Tr}[(M M^\dagger)^2] - \frac{\lambda'}{4} (\text{Tr}[M M^\dagger])^2$$

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**explicit ChS breaking**  
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- $\mu^2 < 0 \rightarrow$  **spontaneous breaking**

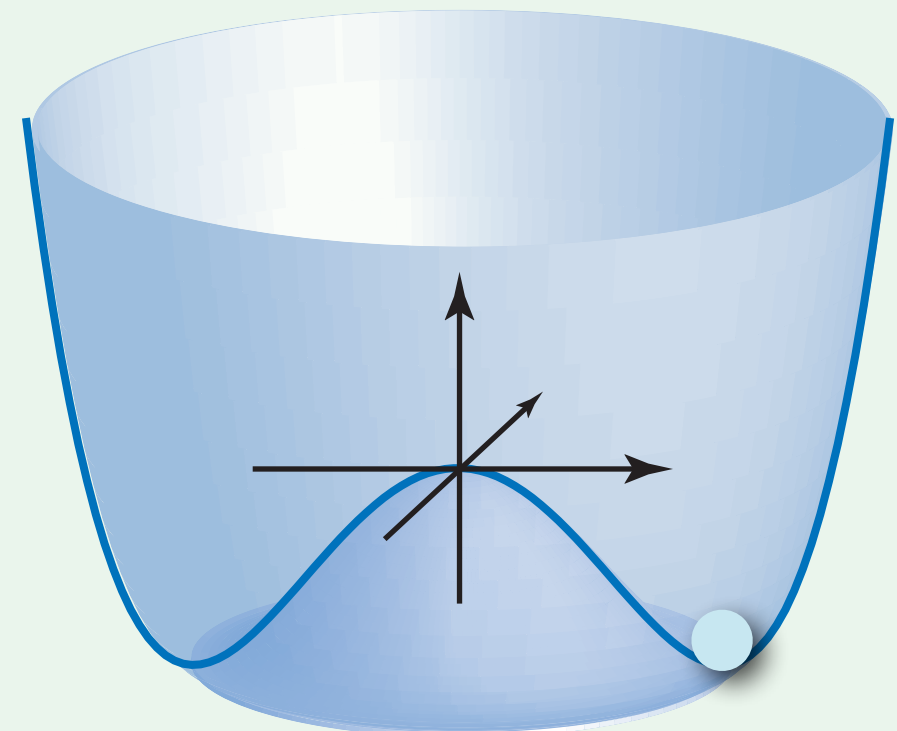
## SU(3) NJL model

$$\mathcal{L} = \bar{q}(\not{\partial} - m)q + g_s \left[ \left( \bar{q} \frac{\lambda_a}{2} q \right)^2 + \left( \bar{q} i \gamma_5 \frac{\lambda_a}{2} q \right)^2 \right]$$

$$+ \frac{g_d}{2} \{ \det[\bar{q}(1 + \gamma_5)q] + \det[\bar{q}(1 - \gamma_5)q] \}$$

- $g_s > g_{s \text{ crit}} \rightarrow$  **spontaneous breaking**

with anomaly term, ChS can be broken even if above conditions is not satisfied



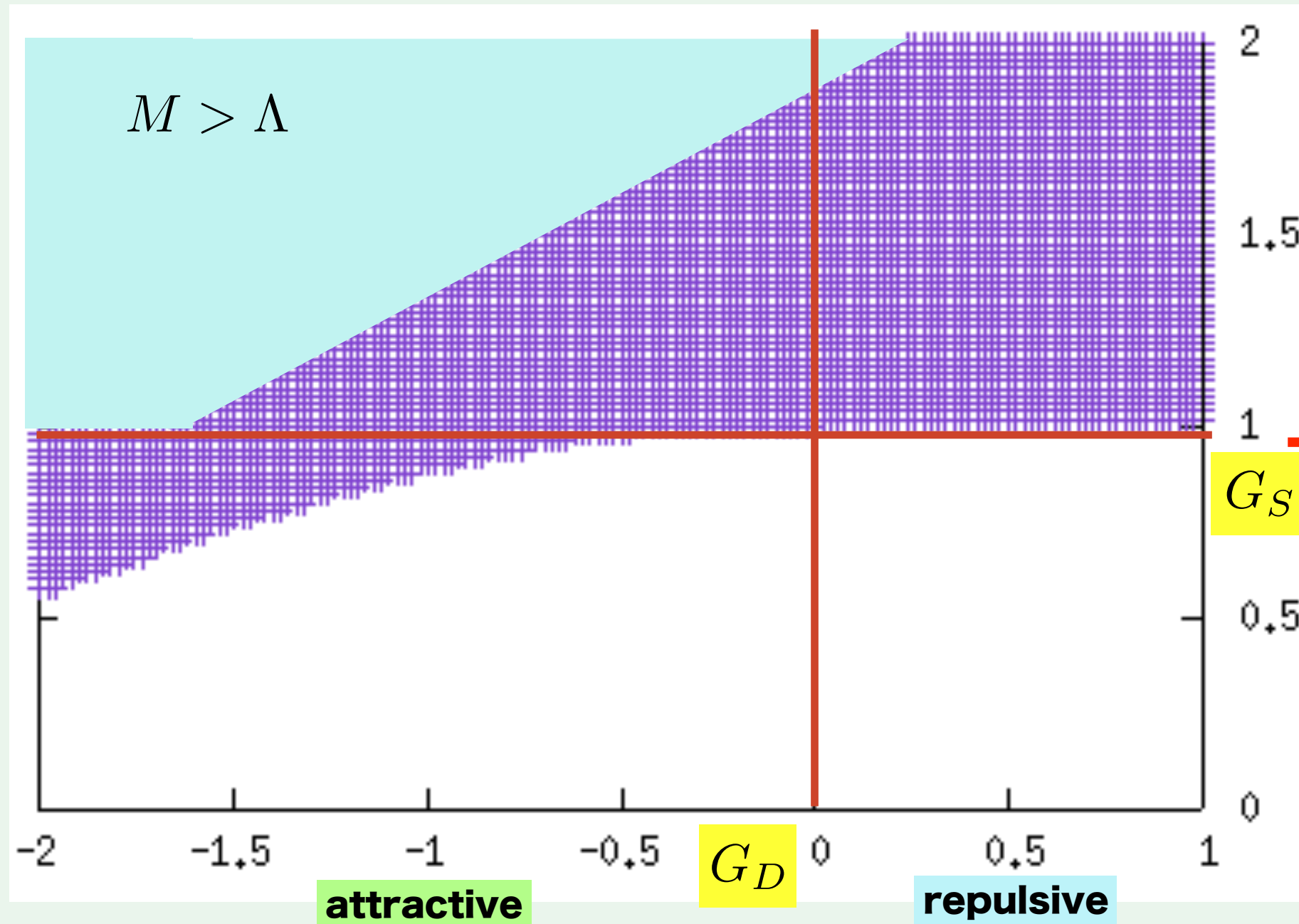


# NJL phase diagram

**chiral limit**

Kono, DJ, Kuroda, Harada,  
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dynamical breaking takes place in the purple region



**usual  
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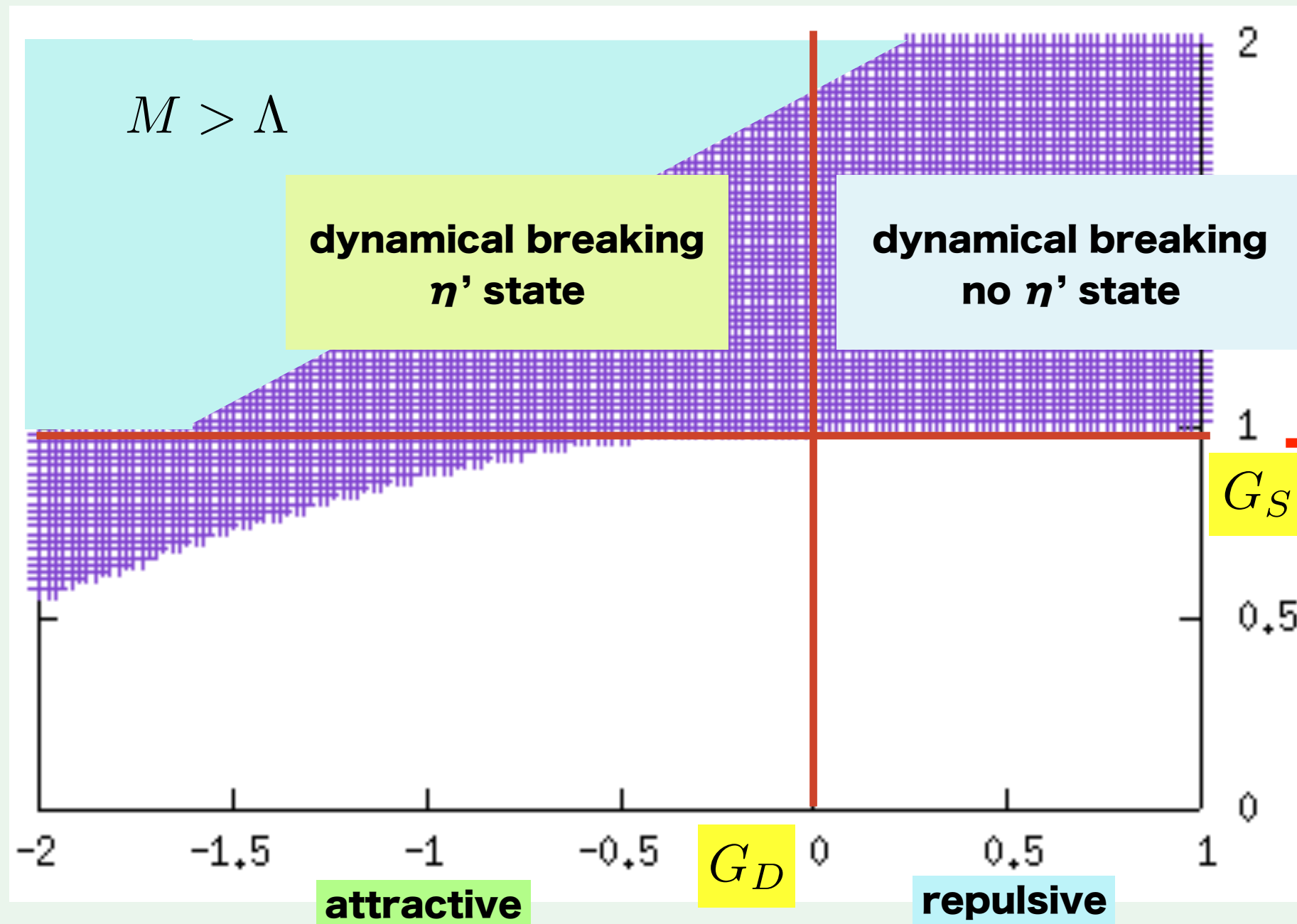
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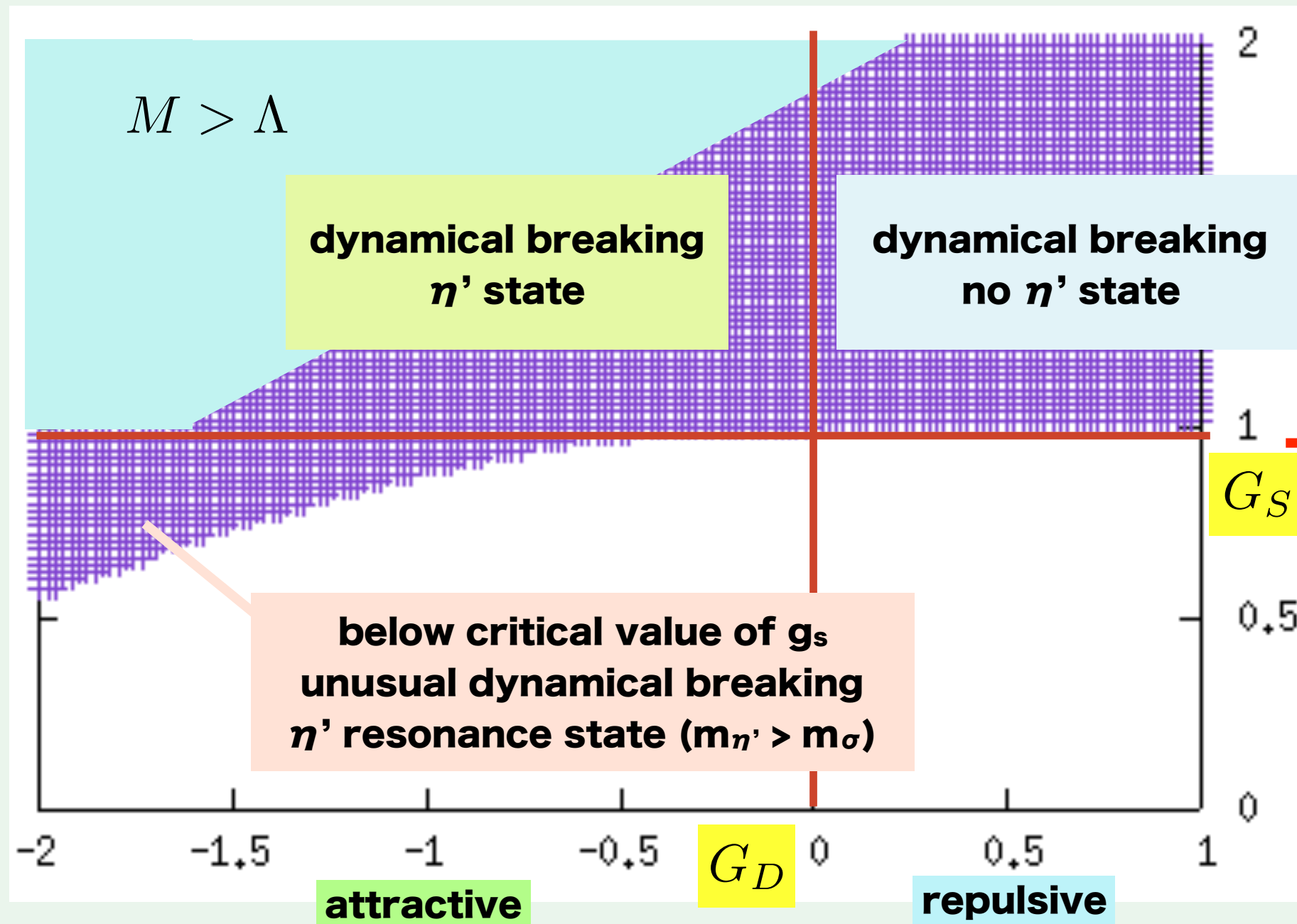
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## chiral limit

vacuum condition at tree level + mass formula

**relation between  $\sigma$  and  $\eta'$  masses and  $\mu^2$**

$$6\mu^2 = m_{\eta_0}^2 - 3m_{\sigma_0}^2$$

**usual breaking**       $\mu^2 < 0$        $m_{\eta'}^2 < 3m_{\sigma_0}^2$

**unusual breaking**       $\mu^2 > 0$        $m_{\eta'}^2 > 3m_{\sigma_0}^2$       consistent with NJL model

we do not know  $\eta'$  mass at chiral limit

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## off chiral limit

chiral symmetry and SU(3) breaking is introduced by  $m_q \neq m_s$

SU(3) breaking parameter 
$$\epsilon = \frac{\langle \sigma_8 \rangle}{\langle \sigma_0 \rangle} = \frac{f_\pi - f_K}{f_\pi + 2f_K} = -0.12$$

vacuum condition at tree level + mass formula

**mass relation**

$$6\mu^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\epsilon\right) = m_{\eta_0}^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\epsilon - 6\epsilon^2 + \epsilon^3 - 8\epsilon^4\right) - 3m_{\sigma_0}^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\epsilon + 2\epsilon^2 - \epsilon^3\right) \\ + m_{\eta_8}^2 (4 - 5\epsilon + 6\epsilon^2 - 8\epsilon^3 + 4\epsilon^4) + m_\pi^2 (4 + \epsilon + 6\epsilon^2 + 4\epsilon^3 + 4\epsilon^4)$$

$$6\mu^2 = 0.92m_{\eta_0}^2 - 3.08m_{\sigma_0}^2 + 4.42m_{\eta_8}^2 + 3.96m_\pi^2$$

**usual breaking**  $\mu^2 < 0$   $m_{\sigma_0} > 860 \text{ MeV}$

**unusual breaking**  $\mu^2 > 0$   $m_{\sigma_0} < 860 \text{ MeV}$

$$m_{\eta_8} = 550 \text{ MeV}$$

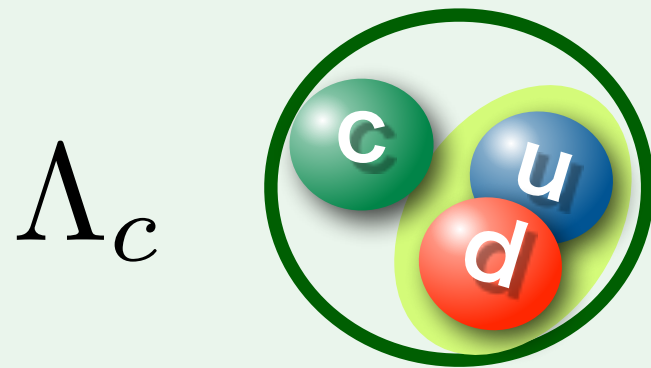
$$m_{\eta_0} = 958 \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_\pi = 140 \text{ MeV}$$

unusual spontaneous breaking is possible,  
if singlet sigma mass is smaller than 860 MeV.

# diquark models for heavy baryon

to discuss possibility of existence  
and investigate properties of diquark



Kumakawa, Sakashita (Tokyo Metropolitan University)  
Jido (Tokyo Institute of Technology)

# diquark-quark model

diquark as a point-like particle

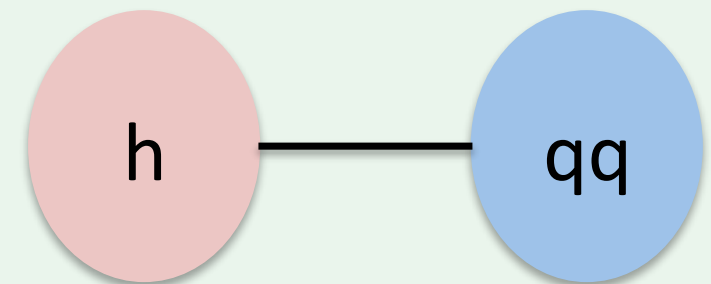
D. Jido and M. Sakashita,  
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two-body nonrelativistic quantum mechanics

$$H = m_d + m_h + \left[ -\frac{\hbar^2}{2\mu} \frac{1}{r} \frac{d^2}{dr^2} r + \frac{\hat{L}_\lambda^2}{2\mu r^2} + V_{\bar{3}3}(r) \right]$$

effective potential between diquark and quark

$$V_{\bar{3}3}(r) = -\frac{4}{3} \frac{\alpha}{r} \hbar c + kr + V_0$$

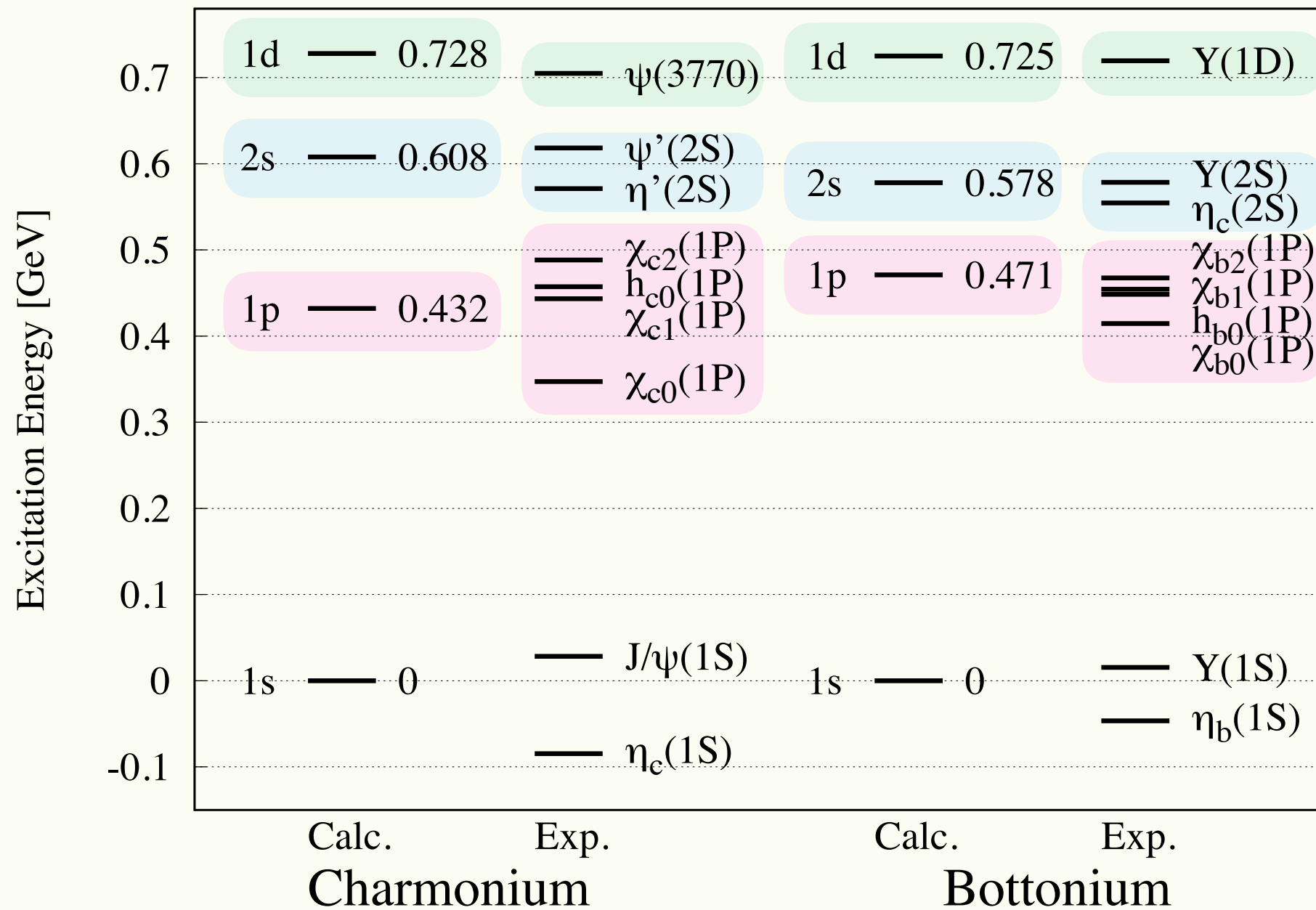


potential parameters are determined by spectra of  
charmonium and bottomonium

→  $\alpha$ :0.4 k:0.9 [GeV/fm]



without LS, SS interaction to see global structure of spectra



$$\alpha = 0.4,$$

$$k = 0.9 \text{ [GeV/fm]}$$

$$m_c = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$$

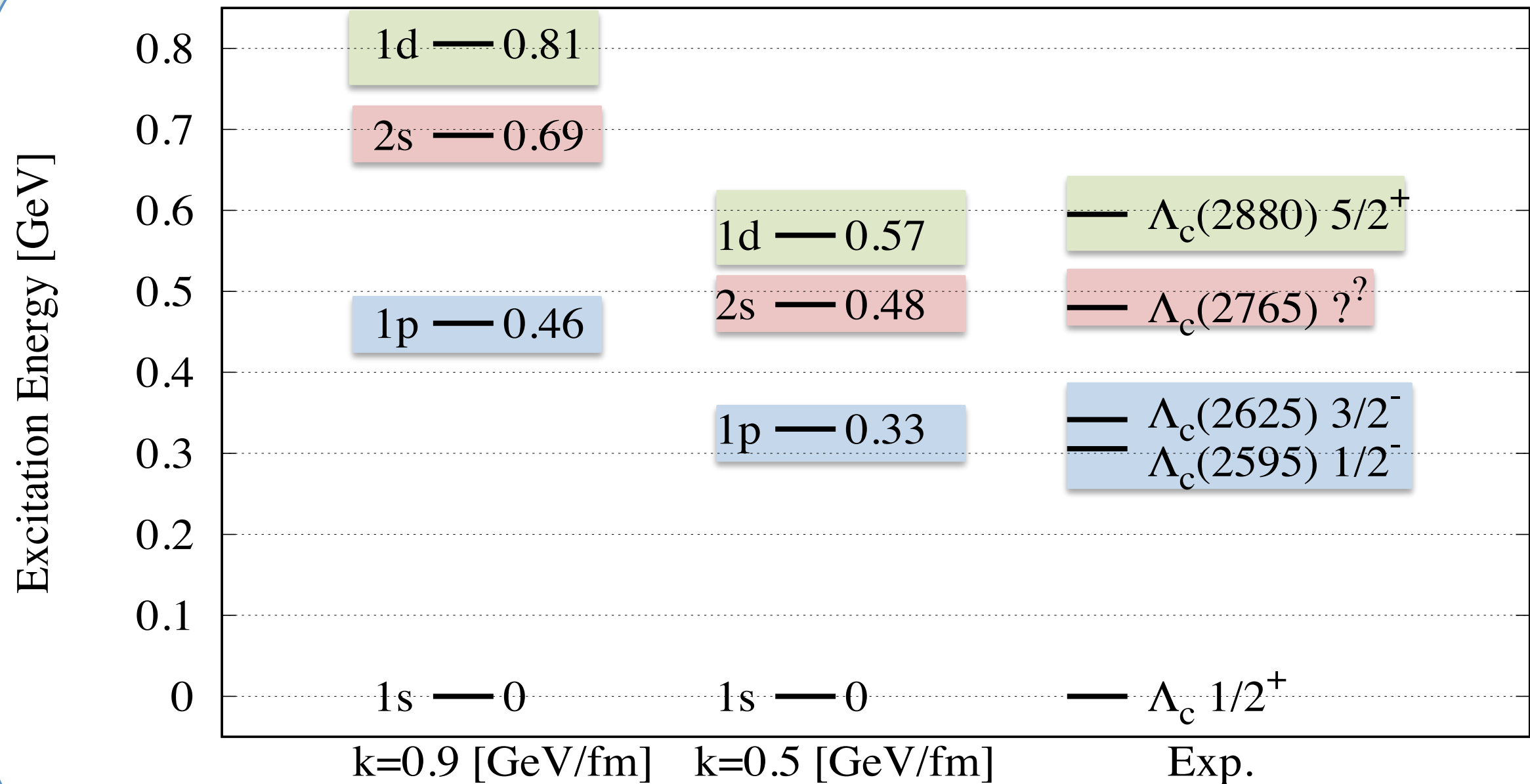
$$m_b = 4.0 \text{ GeV}$$



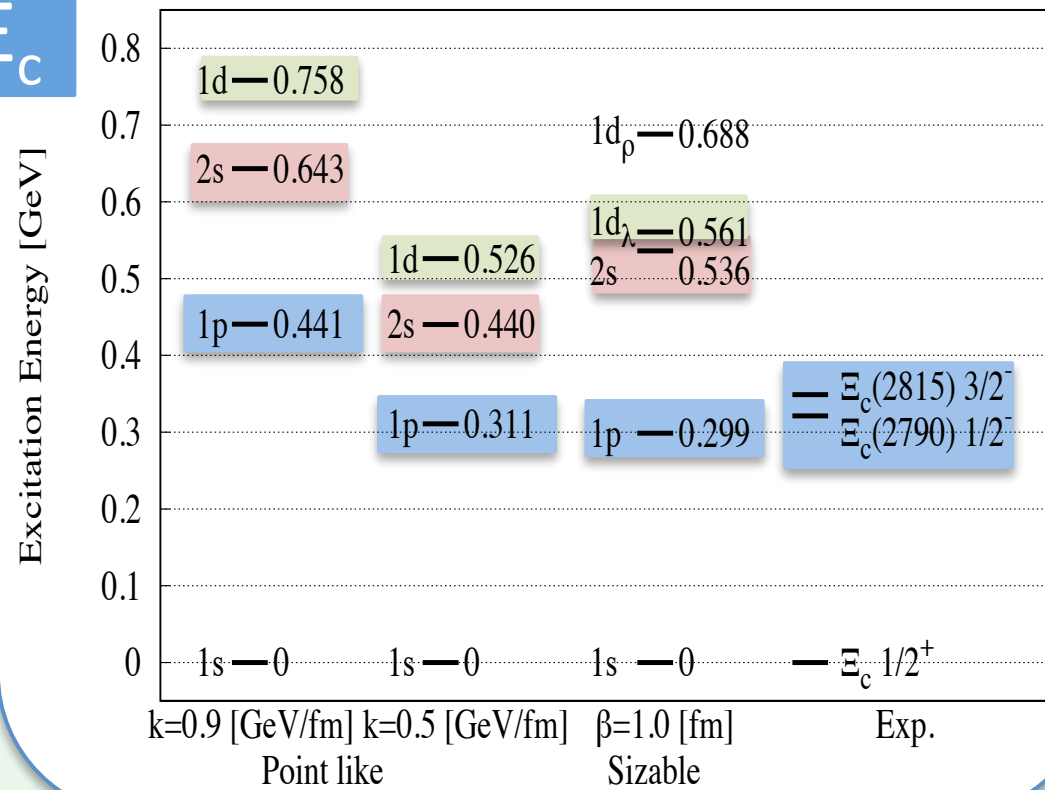
# $\Lambda_c$ (Point like model)

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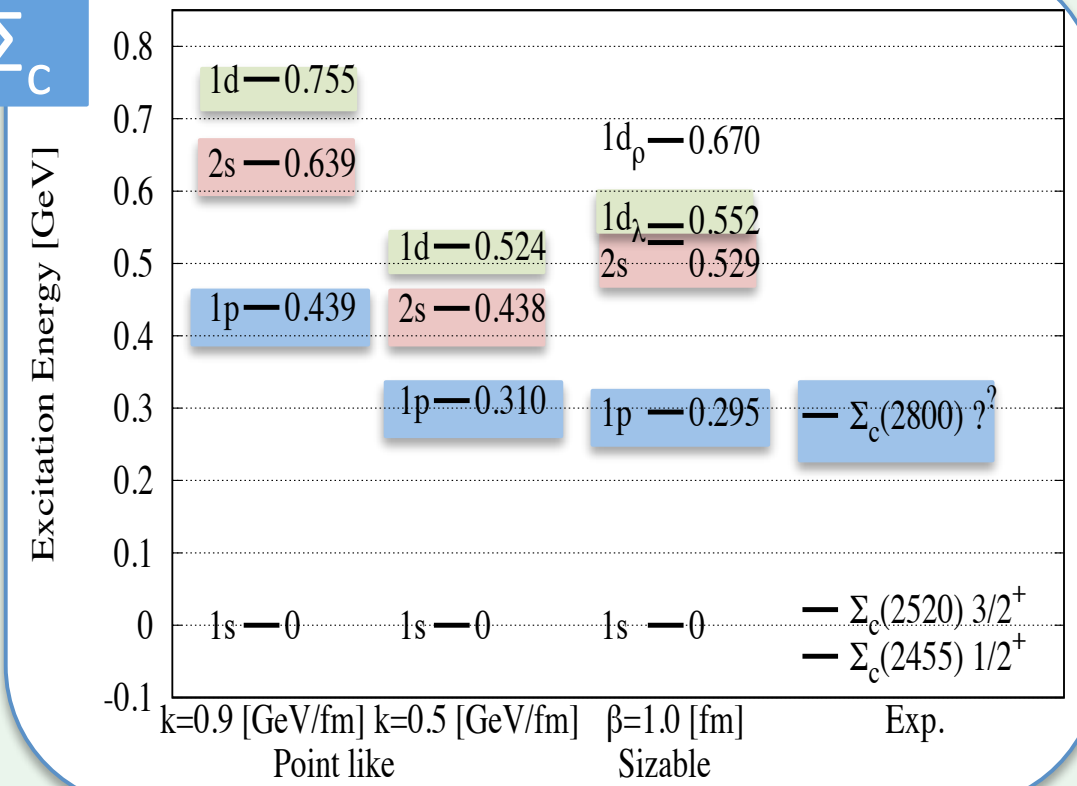
## $\Lambda_c$ Excitation energy



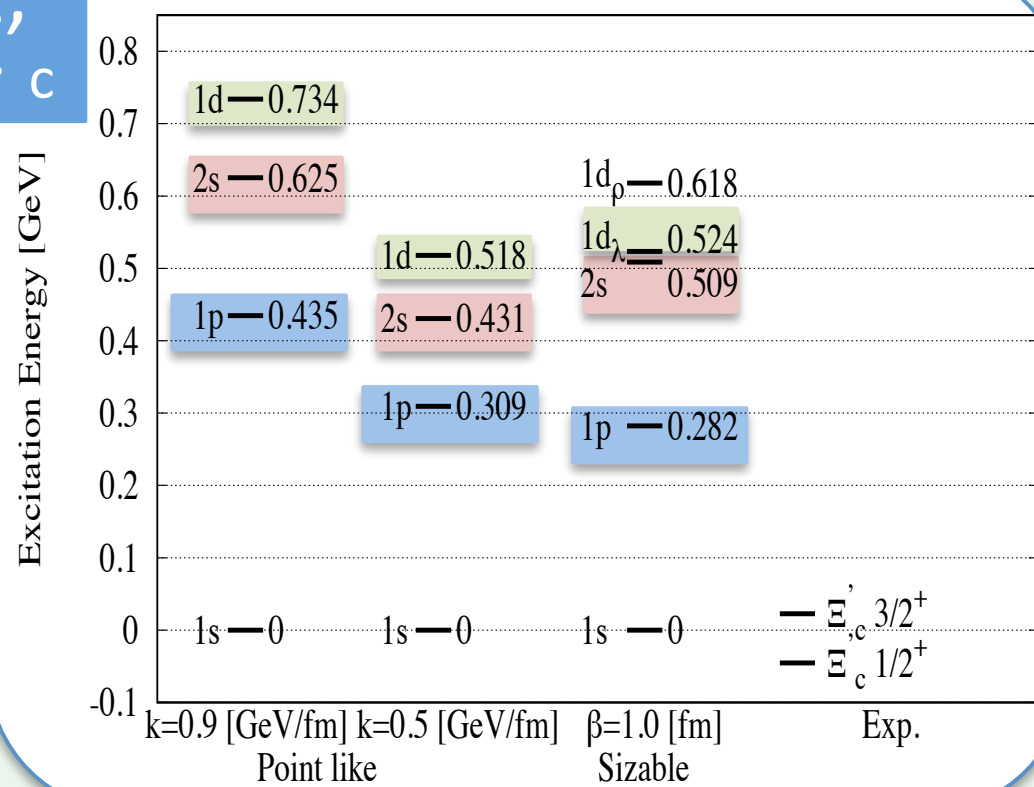
$\Xi_c$



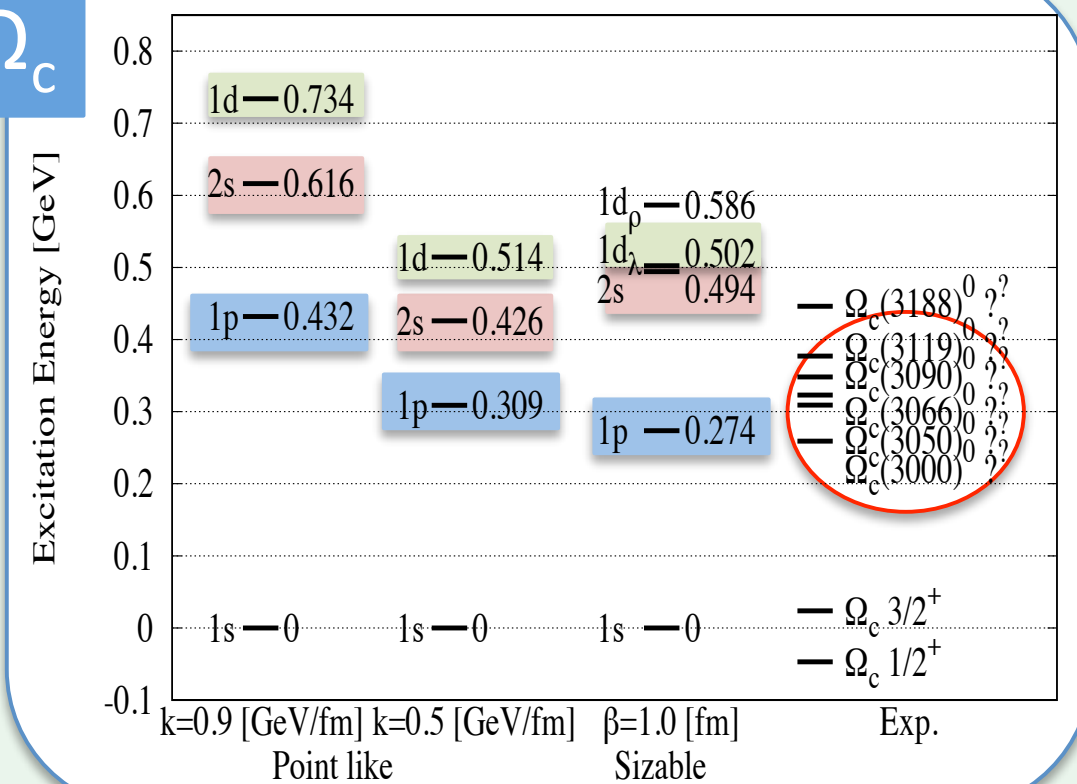
$\Sigma_c$



$\Xi'_c$



$\Omega_c$



# Summary

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- partial restoration of chiral symmetry = reduction of magnitude of quark condensate  
in-medium modification of pion properties → change of quark condensate  
change of quark condensate → possible property changes of other hadrons
- expectations when partial restoration of chiral symmetry takes place in nuclear matter
  - **reduction of hadron mass**
  - **reduction of mass difference of chiral partners**
  - **wave function renormalization of NG bosons**
- $\eta'$  meson in nuclear matter
  - singlet  $\eta$  and octet  $\eta$  belong to the same multiplet in SU(3) chiral group and get degenerate when chiral symmetry is restored
  - a part of  $\eta'$  meson mass is generated by chiral symmetry breaking as for nucleon
  - 100 MeV reduction of eta' mass is expected in nuclear density
  - strong attractive scalar potential in nucleus from isoscalar-scalar  $\sigma$  exchange
  - strong  $\eta'$  attraction could change the nuclear structure
- anomaly term can induce spontaneous breaking of chiral symmetry
- diquark-quark interaction could be weaker than antiquark-quark interaction

$\eta'$

$\eta$

$K^+, \pi^0$