

# Universal physics of three-bosons with isospin



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[T. Hyodo, T. Hatsuda, Y. Nishida, arXiv:1311.6289 \[hep-ph\]](#)

# Universal physics

**Universal:** different systems share the identical feature

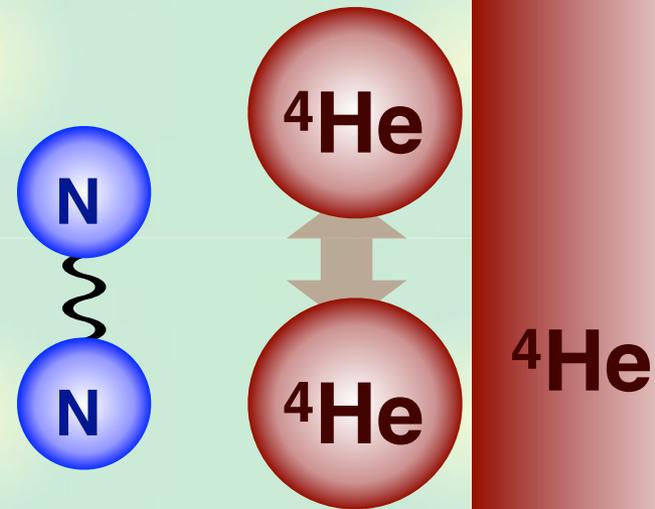
Critical phenomena around phase transition

- large correlation length  $\xi$
- scaling, critical exponent, ...
- liquid-gas transition  $\sim$  ferromagnet

N. Goldenfeld, *“Lectures on phase transitions and the renormalization group”* (1992)

Universal physics in **few-body** system

- large two-body scattering length  $|a|$
- “scaling”, Efimov effect, ...
- $^4\text{He}$  atom (**vdW**)  $\sim$  nucleon (**strong**)

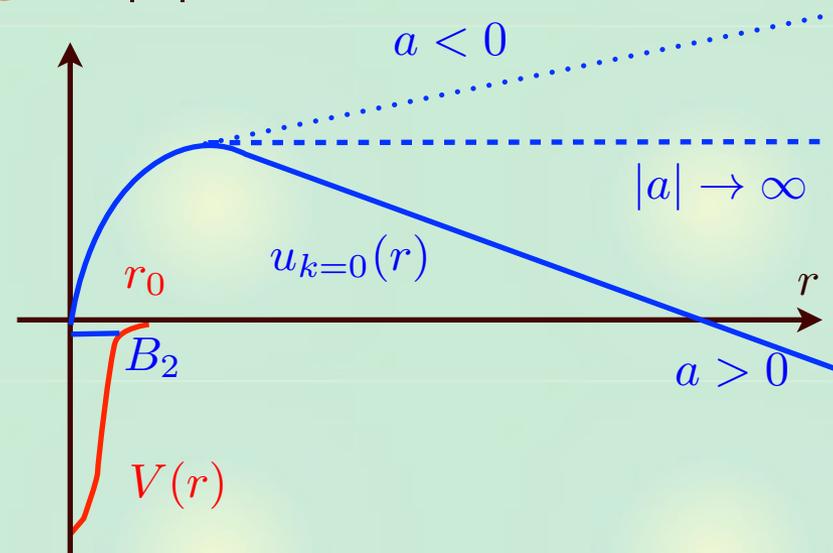


E. Braaten, H.-W. Hammer, *Phys. Rept.* 428, 259 (2006)

# Two-body system

We consider the **low-energy** phenomena ( $1/p \gg r_0$ ) of the system with **large scattering length** ( $|a| \gg r_0$ ).

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(\theta, p) &= \sum_l (2l + 1) f_l(p) P_l(\cos \theta) \\
 &\rightarrow f_0(p) \\
 &= \frac{1}{p \cot \delta_0(p) - ip} \\
 &\rightarrow \frac{1}{-1/a - ip}
 \end{aligned}$$



**Consequence: one shallow bound state exists for  $a \gg 0$**

$$B_2 = \frac{1}{2\mu a^2}, \quad \hbar = 1,$$

- **determined only by  $a$**
- **scale invariance**

$$a \rightarrow \lambda a, \quad p \rightarrow \lambda^{-1} p \quad E \rightarrow \lambda^{-2} E$$

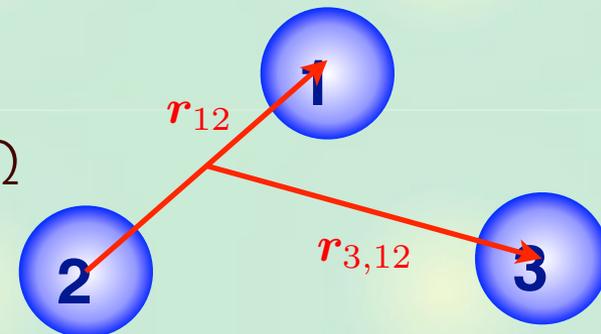
	N [MeV]	$^4\text{He}$ [mK]
$B_2$	<b>2.22</b>	<b>1.31</b>
$1/2\mu a^2$	<b>1.41</b>	<b>1.12</b>

# Three-body system: scaling and its violation

## Three-body system in hyperspherical coordinates

$$(\mathbf{r}_{12}, \mathbf{r}_{3,12}) \leftrightarrow (R, \alpha_3, \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{12}, \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{3,12})$$

**hyperradius** hyperangular variables  $\Omega$   
(dimensionless)



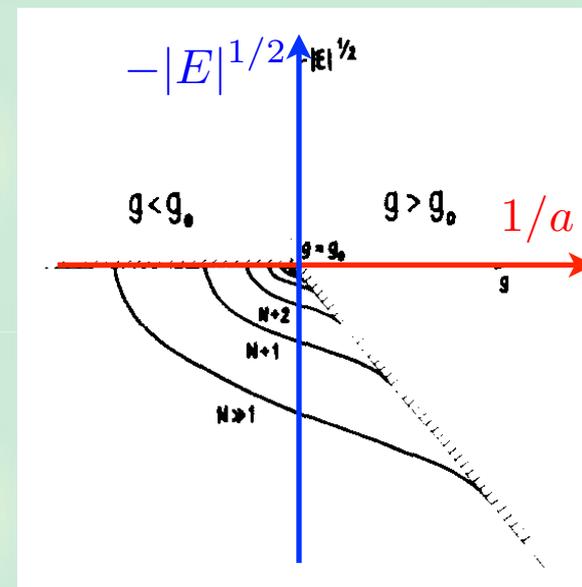
For  $r_0/a \rightarrow 0$ , system is scale invariant.

$$V(R, \Omega) \propto \frac{1}{R^2}$$

**Efimov effect** : **attractive**  $1/R^2$  for identical three bosons

V. Efimov, Phys. Lett. B 33, 563-564 (1970)

- infinitely many bound states
- discrete scale invariance  $\rightarrow$  limit cycle



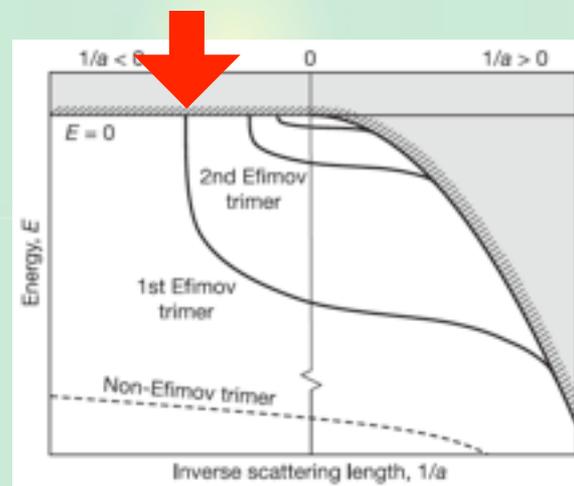
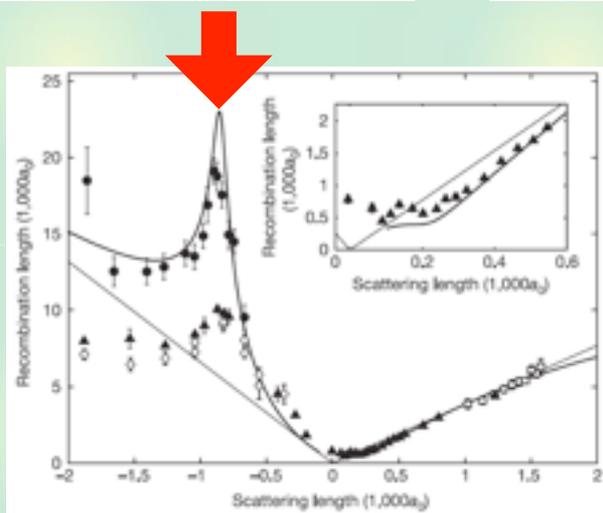
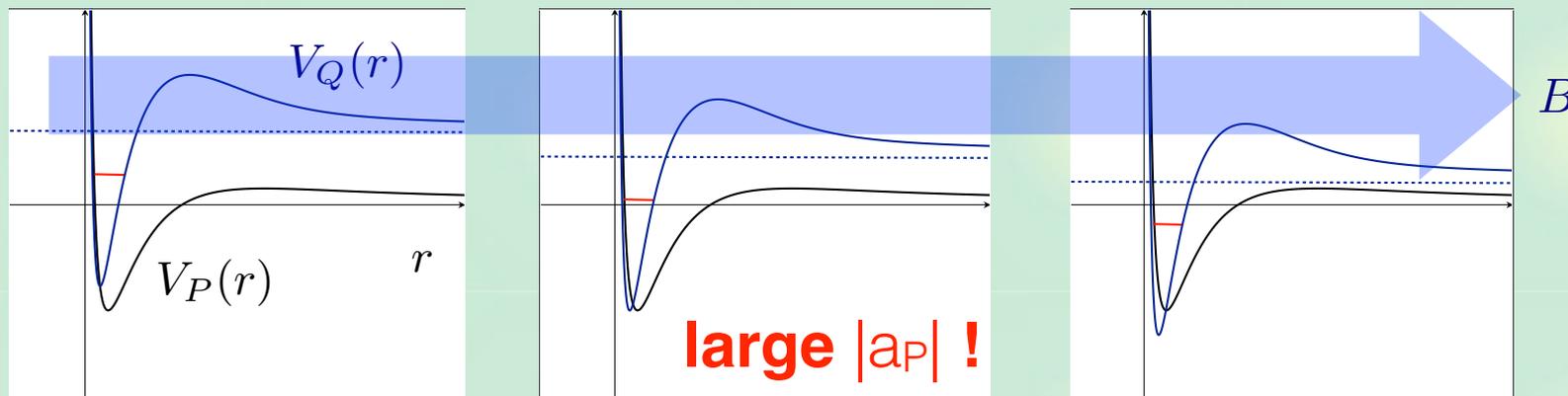
P.F. Bedaque, H.-W. Hammer, U. van Kolck, Phys. Rev. Lett. 82, 463-437 (1999)

# Experimental realization

## Experimental realization by ultracold cesium atoms

T. Kraemer *et al.*, Nature 440, 315 (2006)

- tuning  $a$  by magnetic field (Feshbach resonance)



Universal theory  $\Leftrightarrow$  data (three-body recombination rate)

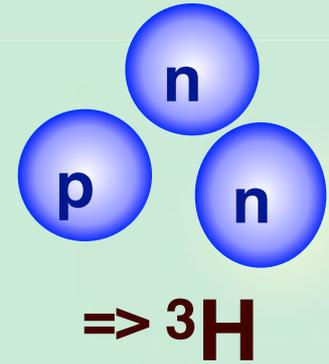
# Hadrons with a large scattering length

Hadron systems ( $r_0 \sim 1$  fm) with a large scattering length

## - nucleon system

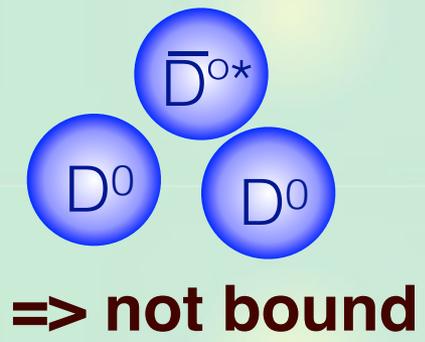
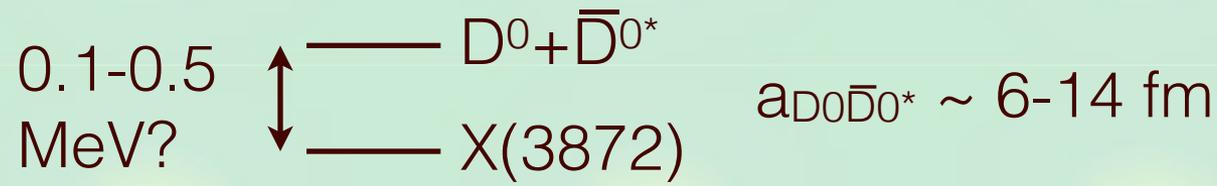
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E. Braaten, H.-W. Hammer, Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 102002 (2003)



## - charmed meson system ( $D \sim c\bar{u}, c\bar{d}$ )

E. Braaten, M. Kusunoki, Phys. Rev. D 69, 074005 (2004)



These are the examples of accidental fine tuning.  
Is there a “Feshbach resonance”?

# Introduction to pion

## Yukawa: pion mediates the nuclear force

H. Yukawa, *Proc. Phys. Math. Soc. Jap.* **17**, 48-57 (1935)

- pseudoscalar particle
- isospin  $|=1$
- lightest hadron ( $\sim 140$  MeV)

### *On the Interaction of Elementary Particles. I.*

By Hideki YUKAWA.

(Read Nov. 17, 1934)

#### §1. Introduction

At the present stage of the quantum theory little is known of the nature of interaction of elementary particles. Here we consider the interaction of "Platzwechsel" between the neutrons and protons to be of importance to the nuclear structure.<sup>(1)</sup>



## Nambu: spontaneous breaking of chiral symmetry

Y. Nambu, G. Jona-Lasinio, *Phys. Rev.* **124**, 246-254 (1961)

### Dynamical Model of Elementary Particles Based on an Analogy with Superconductivity. I\*

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(Received October 27, 1960)

It is suggested that the nucleon mass arises largely as a self-energy of some primary fermion field through the same mechanism as the appearance of energy gap in the theory of superconductivity. The idea can be put into a mathematical formulation utilizing a generalized Hartree-Fock approximation which regards real nucleons as quasi-particle excitations. We consider a simplified model of nonlinear four-fermion interaction which allows a  $\gamma_5$ -gauge group. An interesting consequence of the symmetry is that there arise automatically pseudoscalar zero-mass bound states of nucleon-antinucleon pair which may be regarded as an idealized pion. In addition, massive bound states of nucleon number zero and two are predicted in a simple approximation.

The theory contains two parameters which can be explicitly related to observed nucleon mass and the pion-nucleon coupling constant. Some paradoxical aspects of the theory in connection with the  $\gamma_5$  transformation are discussed in detail.



# Pion interaction

Interaction  $\leftarrow$  chiral low energy theorem

- **S-wave**  $\pi\pi$  scattering length

S. Weinberg, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **17**, 616-621 (1966)

$$a^{I=0} \propto -\frac{7}{4} \frac{m_\pi}{f_\pi^2}, \quad a^{I=2} \propto \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_\pi}{f_\pi^2}$$

**attractive**

**repulsive**



The scattering lengths are proportional to

- $1/f_\pi^2 \sim$  **spontaneous** breaking of chiral symmetry
- $m_\pi \sim$  **explicit** breaking of chiral symmetry

In nature, the scattering lengths are small:

- $a^{I=0} \sim -0.31$  fm,  $a^{I=2} \sim 0.06$  fm / **QCD scale**  $\sim 1$  fm

$\leftarrow$  explicit symmetry breaking is small.

# Tuning pion interaction

If we can **adjust**  $m_\pi$  **or**  $f_\pi$ ,  $|a|$  increases by  $m_\pi \nearrow$  **or**  $f_\pi \searrow$

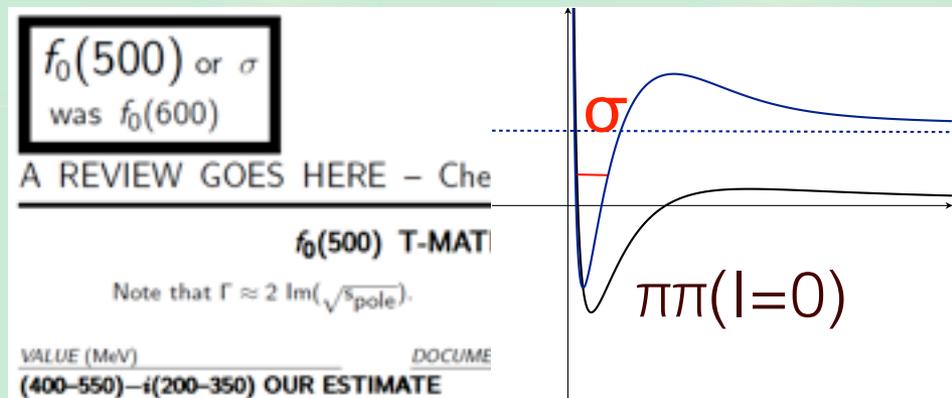
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Can  $|a|$  be extremely large?

- low energy theorem ~ Born approximation
- sufficient attraction --> **bound state** in  $I=0$  --> **diverging**  $|a|$

$\sigma$  meson: resonance in  $\pi\pi$  scattering

- scalar particle
- isospin  $I=0$
- experimentally established
- chiral partner of  $\pi$

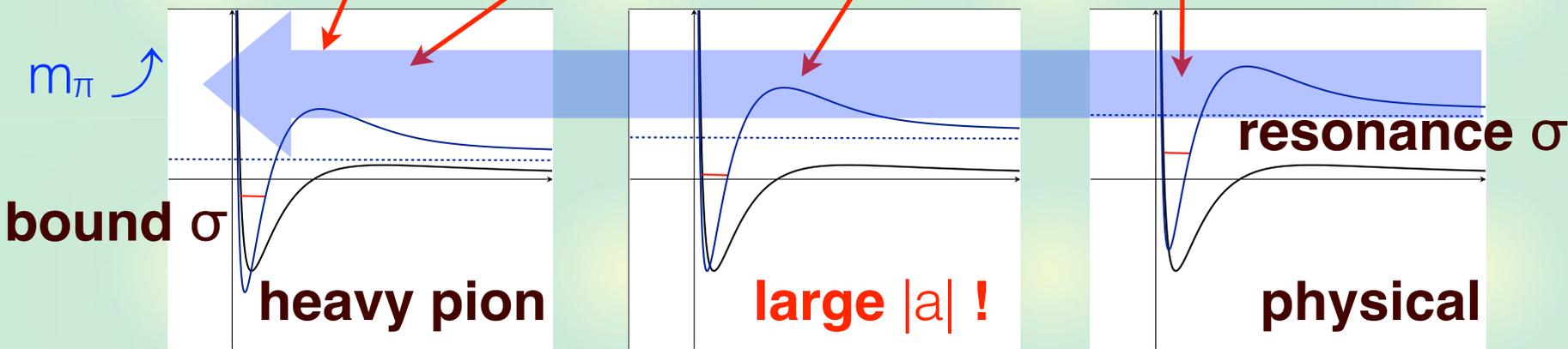
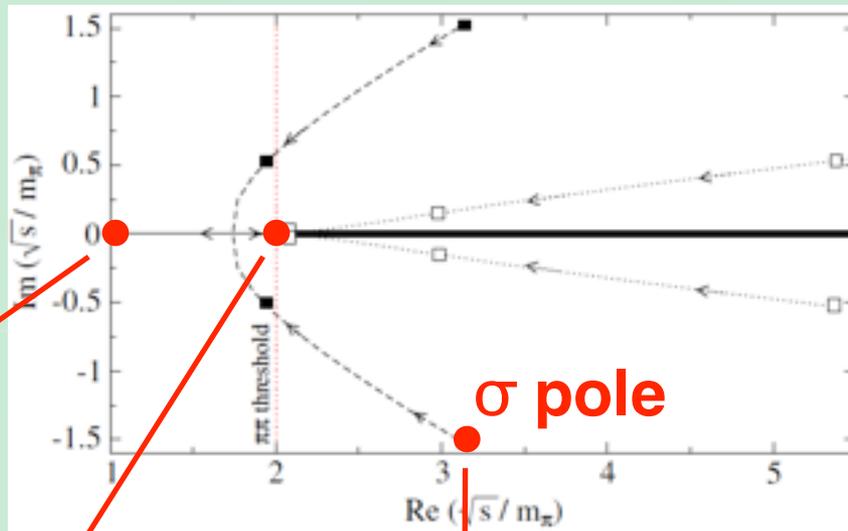
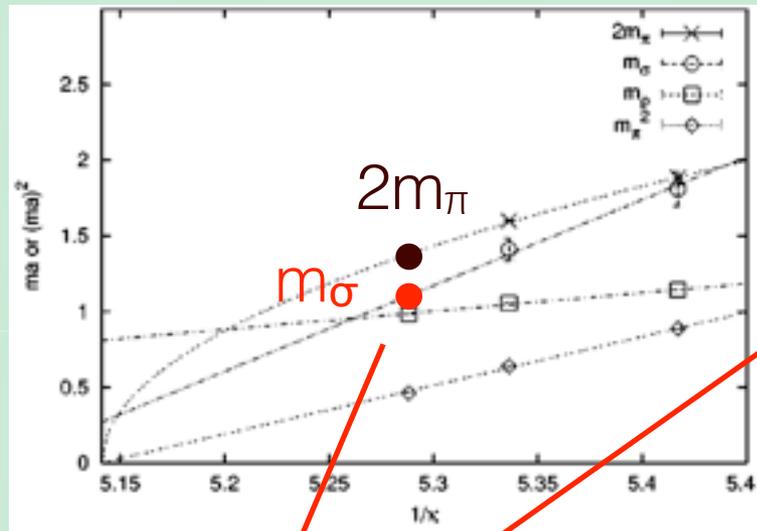


# Increase pion mass

## Lattice QCD and chiral effective field theory (EFT)

T. Kunihiro *et al.* (SCALAR Collaboration), Rev. Rev. D70, 034504 (2004)

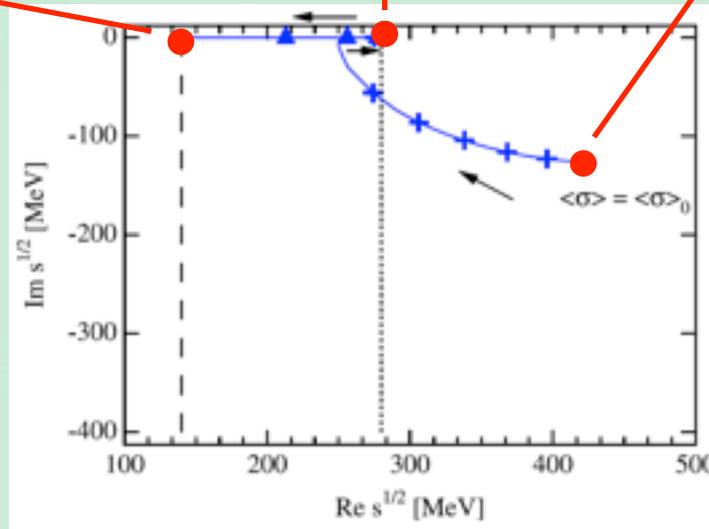
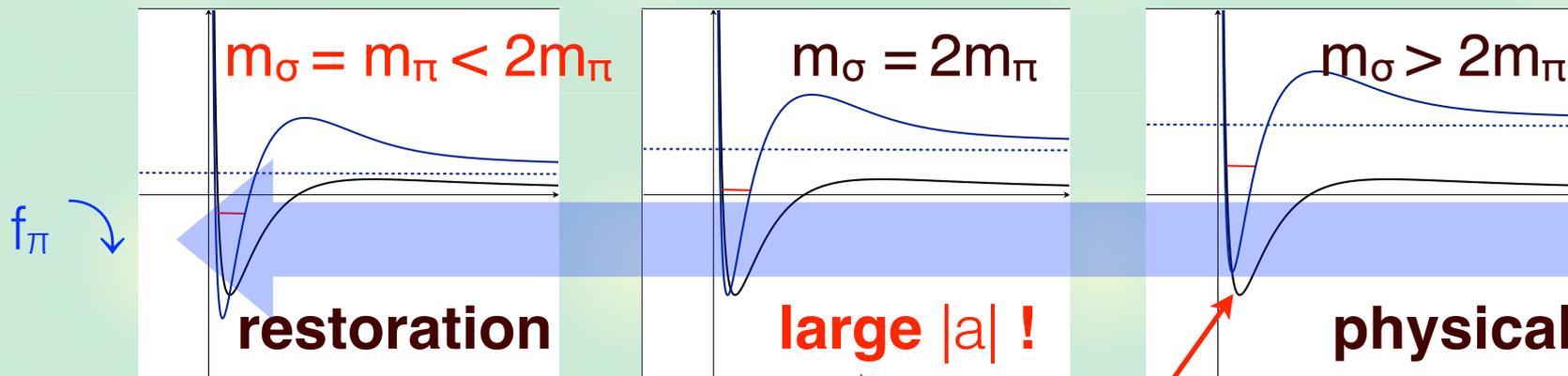
C. Hanhart, J.R. Pelaez, G. Rios, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 152001 (2008)



==> Numerical experiment (lattice QCD)!

# Decrease pion decay constant

Chiral symmetry restoration  $\sim$  reduction of  $f_\pi$



T. Hyodo, D. Jido, T. Kunihiro, Nucl. Phys. A848, 341-365 (2010)

**==> Real experiment (in-medium symmetry restoration) !**

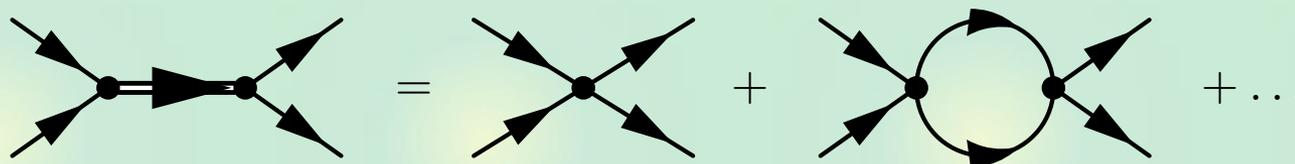
# Isospin symmetric three pions

Large scattering length: zero range theory ( $l=0$  interaction)

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1,2,3} \phi_i^\dagger \left( i\partial_t + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m} \right) \phi_i + v \left| \sum_{i=1,2,3} \phi_i \phi_i \right|^2 \quad I=0 \left[ \begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ \bullet \\ \searrow \\ \nearrow \\ \bullet \\ \searrow \end{array} \right] I=0$$

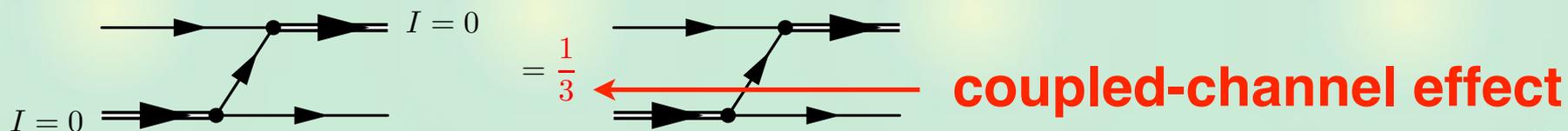
- two-body amplitude:  $l=0$  and  $l=2$

$$it_0(p) = \frac{8\pi}{m} \frac{i}{\frac{1}{a} - \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{4} - mp_0 - i0^+}}, \quad it_2(p) = 0$$



S-wave three-pion system in total  $l=1$

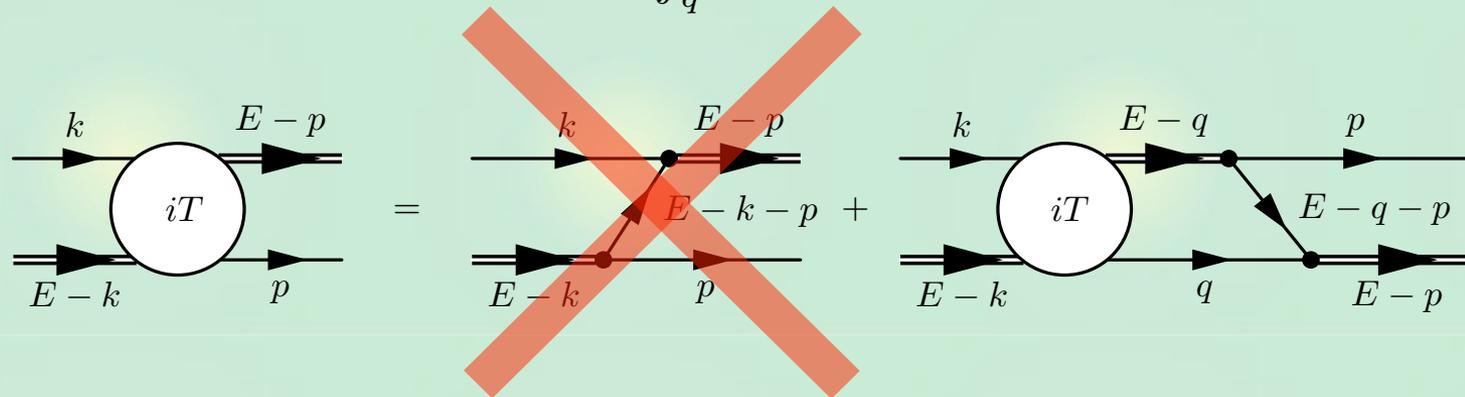
$$\begin{pmatrix} |\pi \otimes [\pi \otimes \pi]_{I=0} \rangle_{I=1} \\ |\pi \otimes [\pi \otimes \pi]_{I=2} \rangle_{I=1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 & \sqrt{5}/3 \\ \sqrt{5}/3 & 1/6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |[\pi \otimes \pi]_{I=0} \otimes \pi \rangle_{I=1} \\ |[\pi \otimes \pi]_{I=2} \otimes \pi \rangle_{I=1} \end{pmatrix}$$



# Isospin symmetric three pions

## Three-body scattering equation

$$iT(E; k, p) = iG(P - k - p) - \int_q T(E; k, q)t_K(P - q)G(q)G(P - q - p)$$



## Eigenstate: homogeneous equation with pole condition

$$T^{\text{on}}(E; |\mathbf{k}|, |\mathbf{p}|) \rightarrow \frac{z^*(|\mathbf{k}|)z(|\mathbf{p}|)}{E + B_3}$$

## Eigenvalue equation (eigenvalue $B_3$ for eigenfunction $z(|\mathbf{p}|)$ )

$$z(|\mathbf{p}|) = \frac{2}{3\pi} \int_0^\infty d|\mathbf{q}| \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{|\mathbf{p}|} \ln \left( \frac{q^2 + p^2 + |\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{p}| + mB_3}{q^2 + p^2 - |\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{p}| + mB_3} \right) \frac{z(|\mathbf{q}|)}{\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}q^2 + mB_3} - \frac{1}{a}}$$

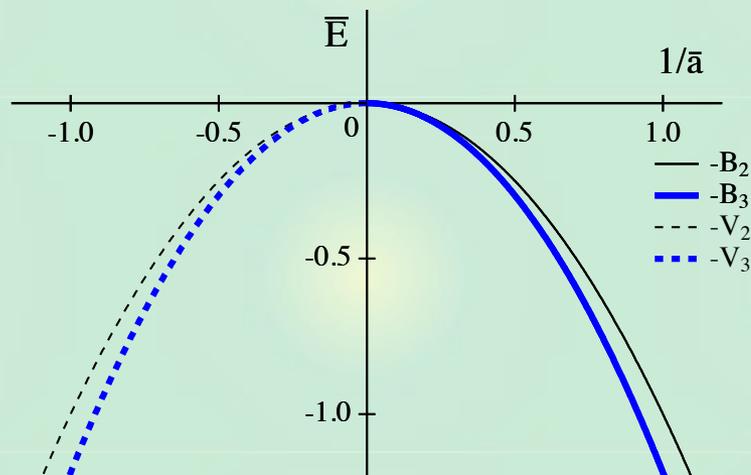
## Factor 1/3 difference from the identical boson case

# Spectrum in the isospin symmetric limit

Result: one **universal** three-pion bound state

$$B_3 = \frac{1.04391}{ma^2} \quad \text{for } 1/a > 0$$

c.f.  $B_2 = \frac{1}{ma^2}$



**Resonances?**

- phase rotation of binding energy = phase rotation of  $a$

$$B_3 \rightarrow B_3 e^{i\theta} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{1}{a} \rightarrow \frac{1}{a} e^{-i\theta/2}$$

**Negative  $a$ : virtual state**

J.R. Taylor, “*Scattering theory: the quantum theory on nonrelativistic collisions*” (1972)

<-- rotation of  $B_3$  by  $2\pi$  = sign flip of  $a$

**No resonance for all  $a$**

<-- interchange of Riemann sheet = sign flip of  $a$

# With isospin breaking

In nature,  $m_{\pi^\pm} = m_{\pi^0} + \Delta$  with  $\Delta > 0$

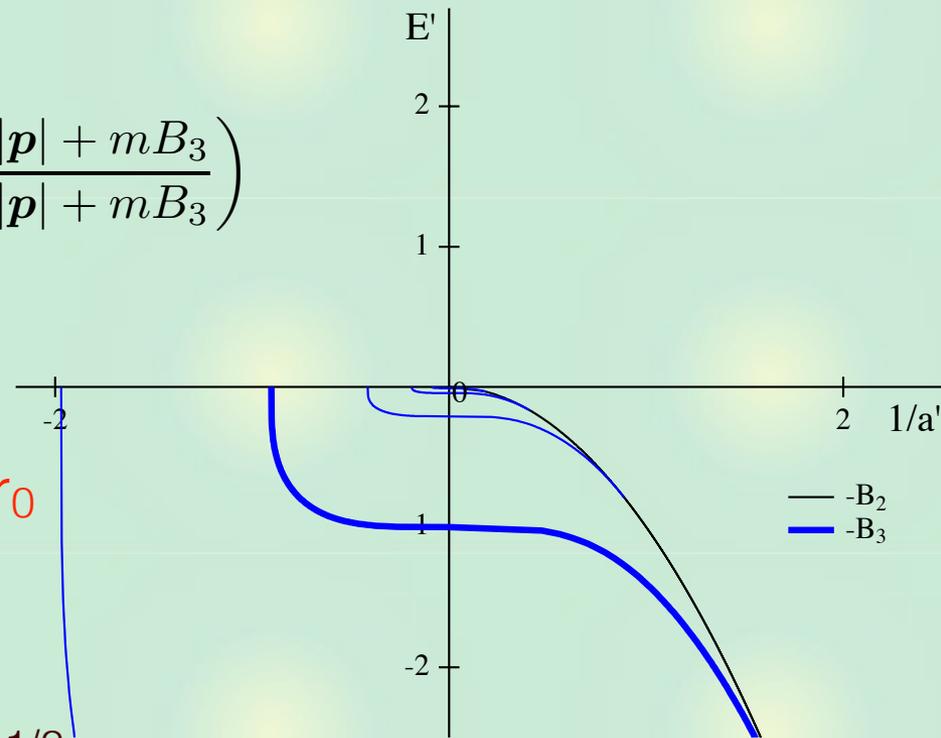
- In the energy region  $E \ll \Delta$ , heavy  $\pi^\pm$  can be neglected.

Identical three-boson system with a large scattering length  
 --> Efimov effect

$$z(|\mathbf{p}|) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty d|\mathbf{q}| \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{|\mathbf{p}|} \ln \left( \frac{q^2 + p^2 + |\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{p}| + mB_3}{q^2 + p^2 - |\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{p}| + mB_3} \right)$$

$$\times \frac{z(|\mathbf{q}|)}{\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}q^2 + mB_3} - \frac{1}{a}} f_\Lambda(|\mathbf{q}|)$$

$f_\Lambda(|\mathbf{q}|)$   
 ↑  
 cutoff  $\sim 1/r_0$



Universal physics at  $E \ll (2m\Lambda)^{1/2}$

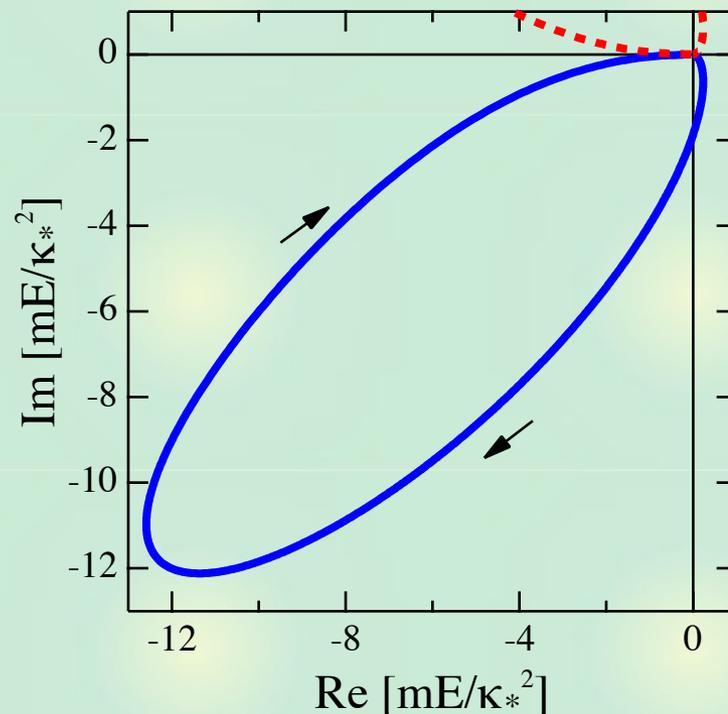
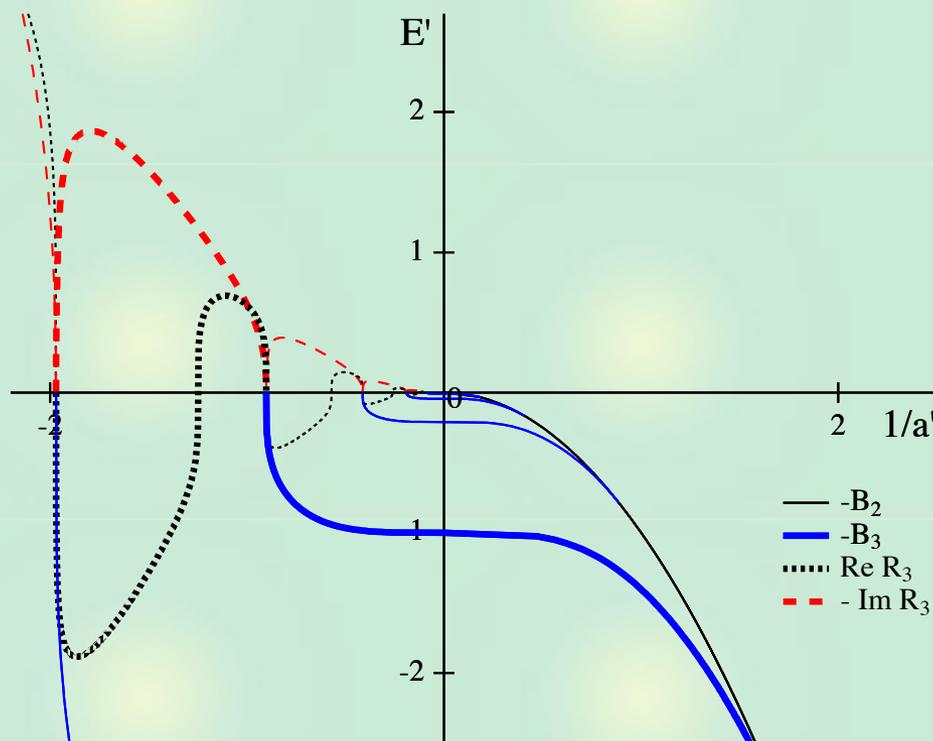
← Efimov parameter  $\kappa^*$

# Efimov resonances

Resonance solution is now possible.

- phase rotation of binding energy = phase rotation of  $a$  and  $\Lambda$  + proper treatment of singularity in  $f_{\Lambda}(|q|)$

$$B_3 \rightarrow B_3 e^{i\theta} \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{a} \rightarrow \frac{1}{a} e^{-i\theta/2} \quad \text{and} \quad \Lambda \rightarrow \Lambda e^{-i\theta/2}$$



Efimov bound state --> resonance

# Coupled-channel effect

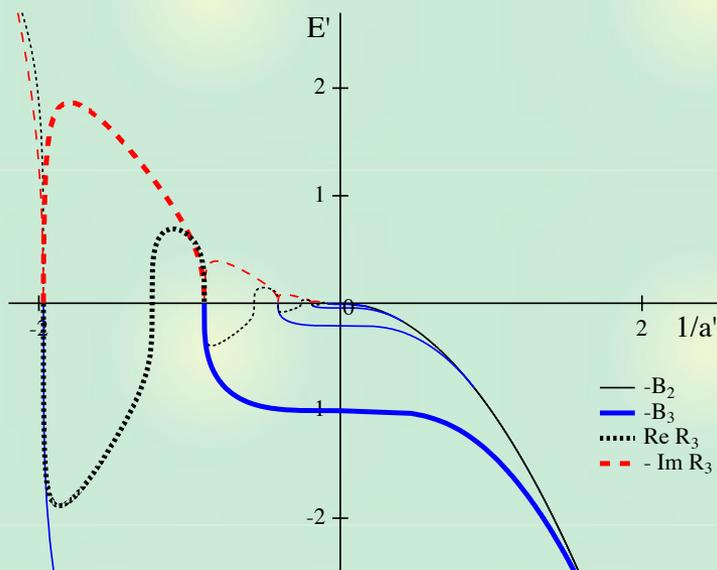
Two universal phenomena : existence of the coupled channel

$$z(|\mathbf{p}|) = \frac{2}{\lambda\pi} \int_0^\infty d|\mathbf{q}| \frac{|\mathbf{q}|}{|\mathbf{p}|} \ln \left( \frac{q^2 + p^2 + |\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{p}| + mB_3}{q^2 + p^2 - |\mathbf{q}||\mathbf{p}| + mB_3} \right) \frac{z(|\mathbf{q}|)}{\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}q^2 + mB_3} - \frac{1}{a}}$$

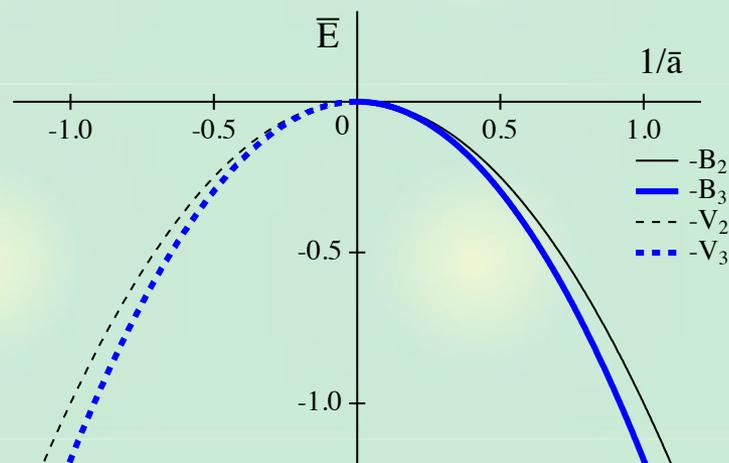
$\lambda < 2.41480$

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$3.66811 < \lambda$

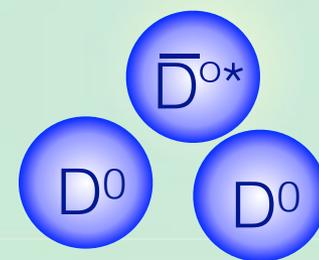


**discrete scale invariance**



**scale invariance**

**no universal bound state**



$\lambda = 4$

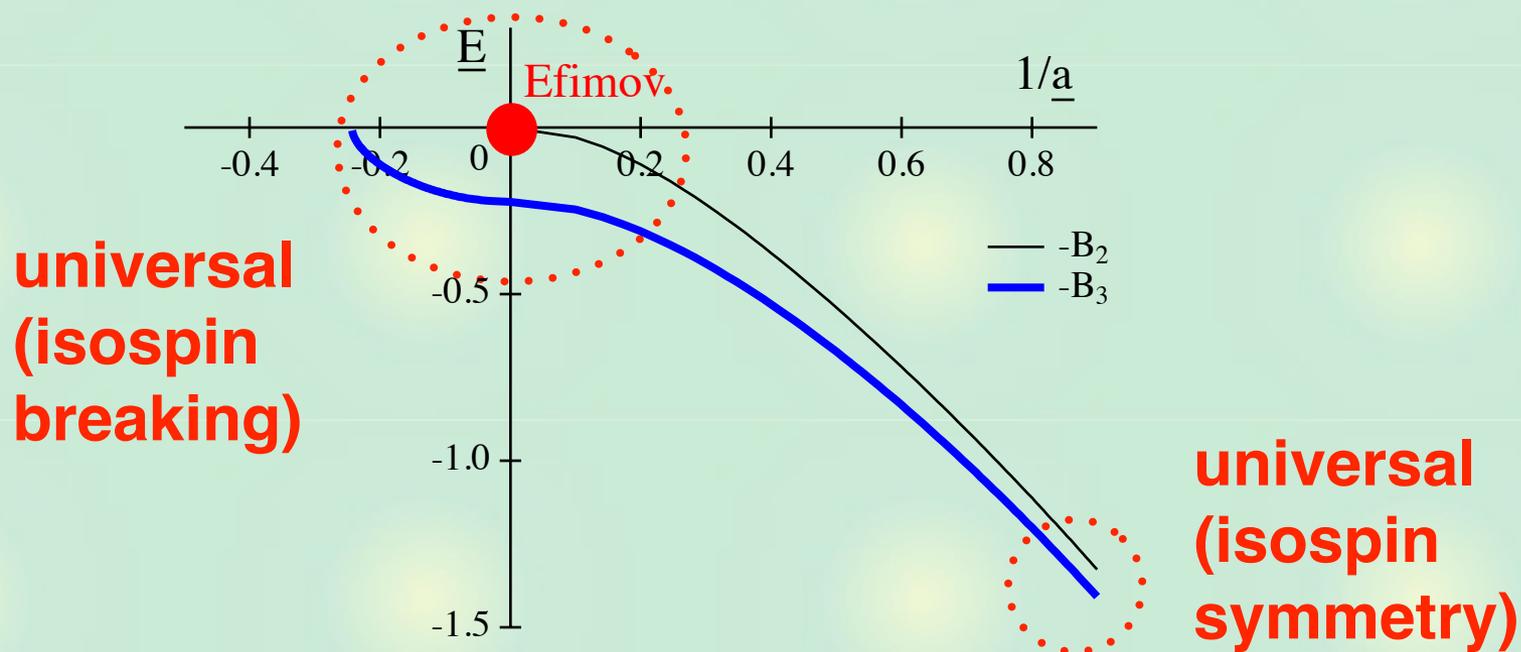
Both can be realized in three-pion systems.

# Interpolation by model

A model with finite mass difference  $\Delta = m_{\pm} - m_0$

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=0,\pm} \pi_i^\dagger \left( i\partial_t + \frac{\nabla^2}{2m_i} - m_i \right) \pi_i + \frac{g}{4} \frac{\pi_0^\dagger \pi_0^\dagger - 2\pi_+^\dagger \pi_-^\dagger}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{\pi_0 \pi_0 - 2\pi_- \pi_+}{\sqrt{3}}$$

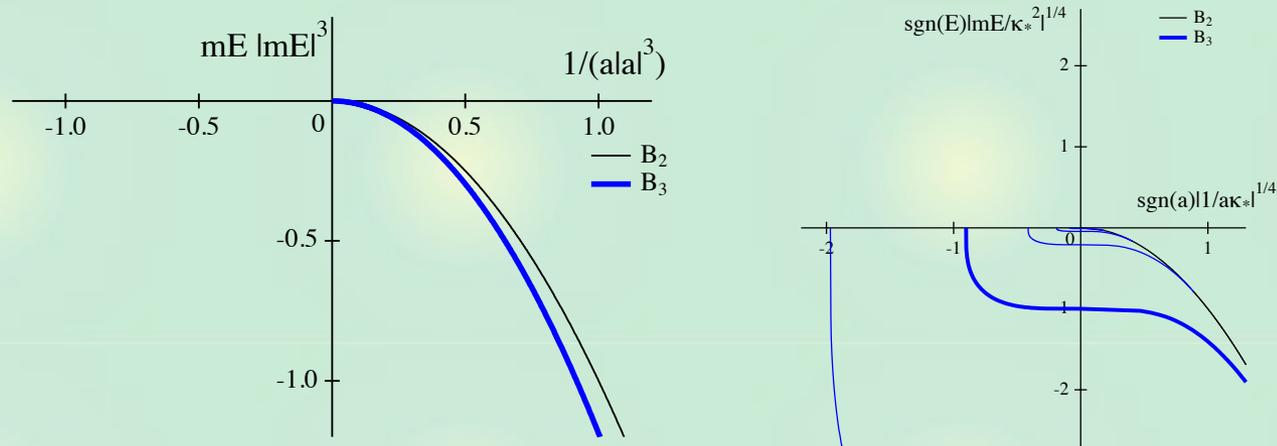
- $E \ll \Delta$  : Efimov states,  $(\Lambda \gg) E \gg \Delta$  : single bound state
- cutoff for the Efimov effect is introduced by  $\Delta$ .



Lowest Efimov level --> universal bound state

# Implication in hadron physics

**Two-body  $\pi\pi$  bound state ( $\sigma$ )  $\rightarrow$  at least one bound state in three-body channel with  $l=1$  and  $J=0$  channel:  $\pi^*$**



**Remnant of universal bound state :  $\pi^*(1300)$**

$$M = 1300 \pm 100 \text{ MeV}, \Gamma = 200\text{-}600 \text{ MeV},$$

$$\Gamma(\pi(\pi\pi)_{s\text{-wave}}) / \Gamma(\pi\rho) \sim 2.2$$

**When the  $\sigma$  softens,  $\pi^*$  also softens simultaneously.**

- **caveats** for the  $\sigma$  softening in practice: final state interaction, mixing with quark number fluctuation, ...

# Summary

## Universal physics of three pions

- Large  $\pi\pi$  scattering length ( $l=0$ ) can be obtained by  $m_\pi \nearrow$  or  $f_\pi \searrow$ .
- Universal phenomena with large  $a$ :
  - **single bound state** (isospin symmetry)
  - **Efimov states** (isospin breaking)
- Consequence in hadron physics:
  - realization in lattice QCD
  - simultaneous softening of  $\sigma$  and  $\pi^*$