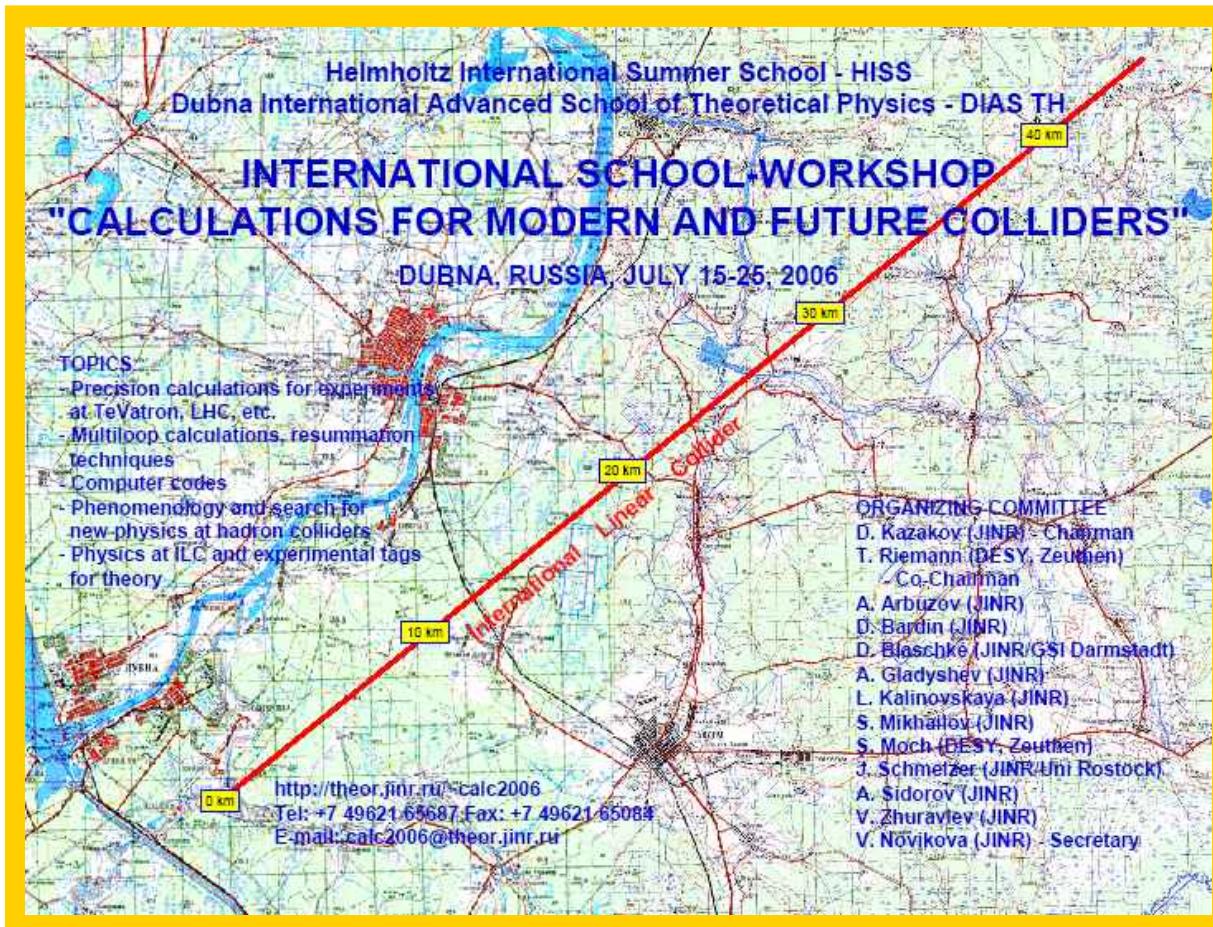


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OUTLINE

- Intro: Analytic Perturbation Theory (**APT**) in QCD
- Problems of **APT**
- Resolution — **FAPT**: Completed set $\{\mathcal{A}_\nu; \mathfrak{A}_\nu\}_{\nu \in \mathbb{R}}$ and its properties
- Technical development of **FAPT**: higher loops, convergence, accuracy
- Applications: Phenomenological analysis of Higgs decay $H^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Conclusions

Recent Related Publications

- A. B., Mikhailov, Stefanis – **hep-ph/0607040**
- A. B., Mikhailov, Stefanis – **PRD 72 (2005) 074014**
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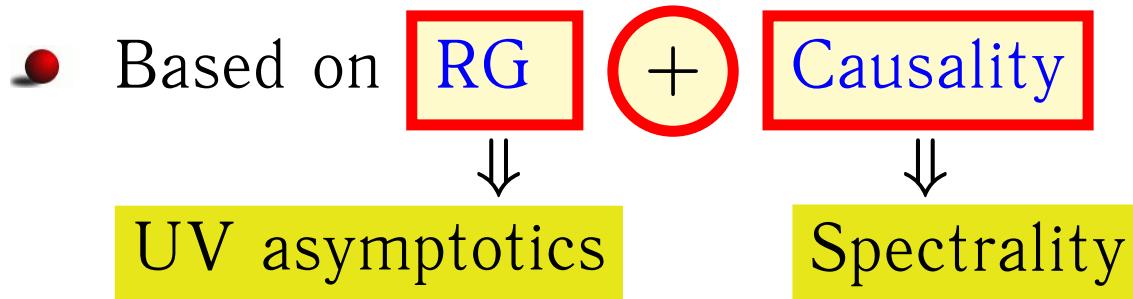
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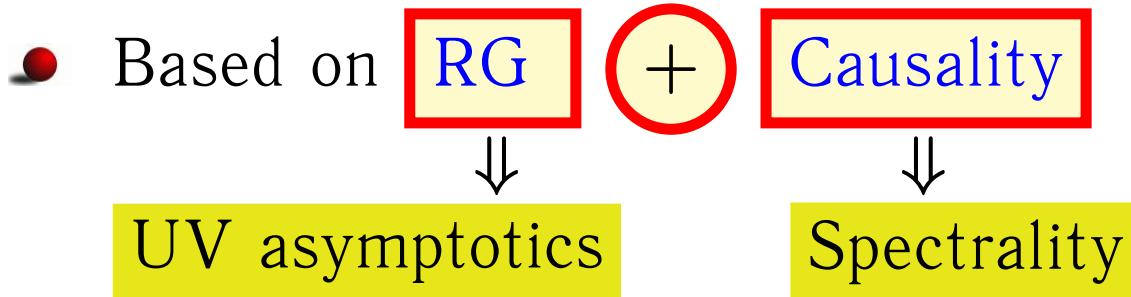
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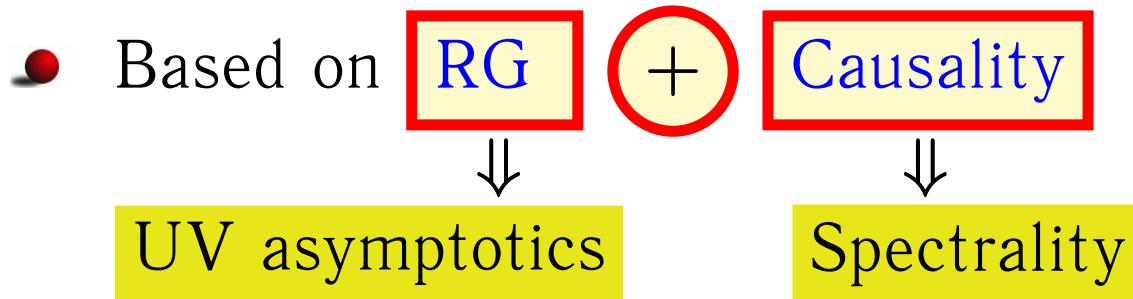
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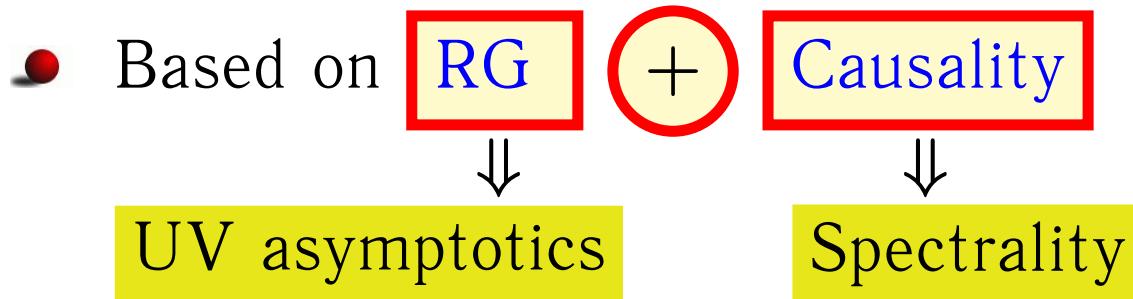


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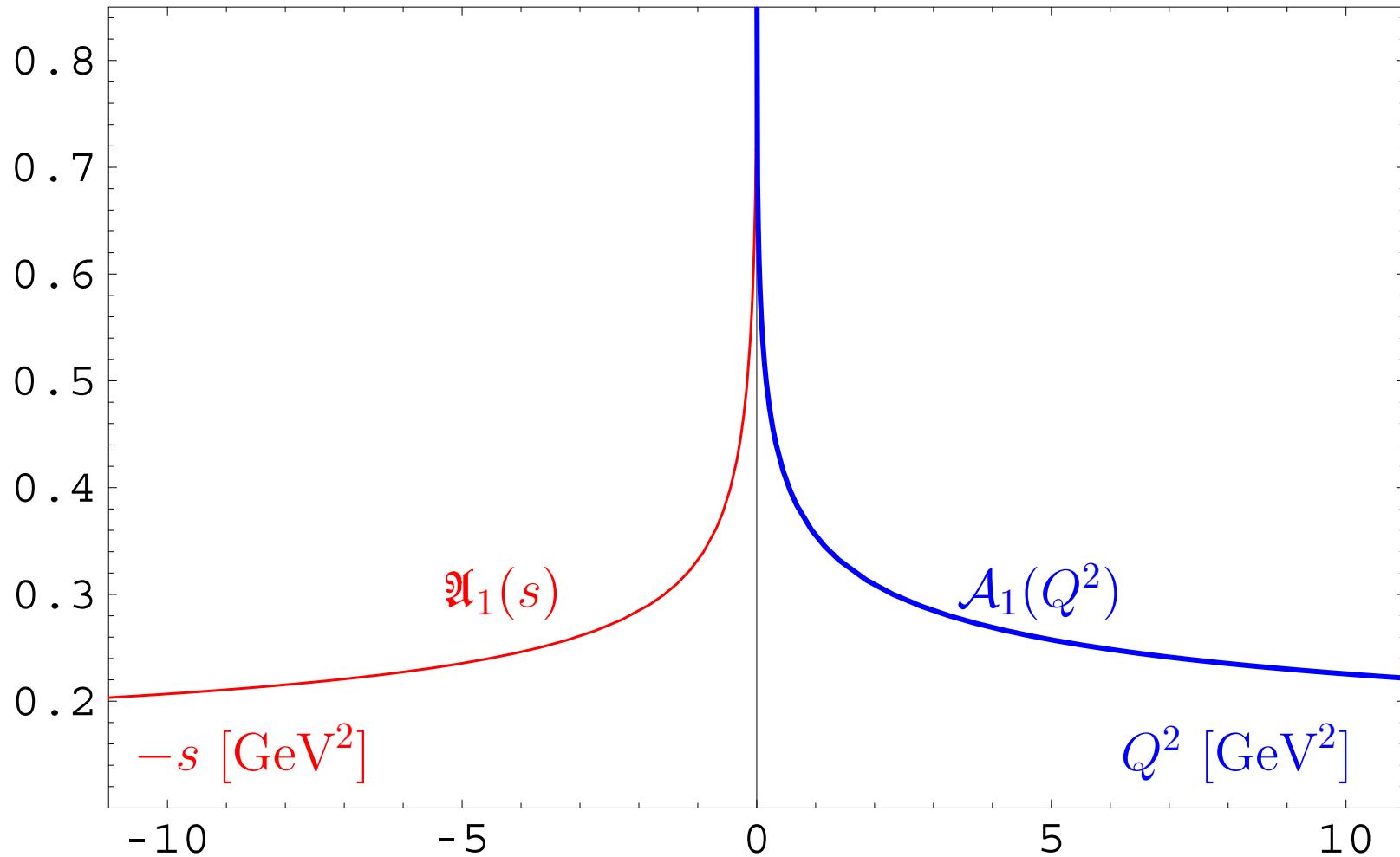
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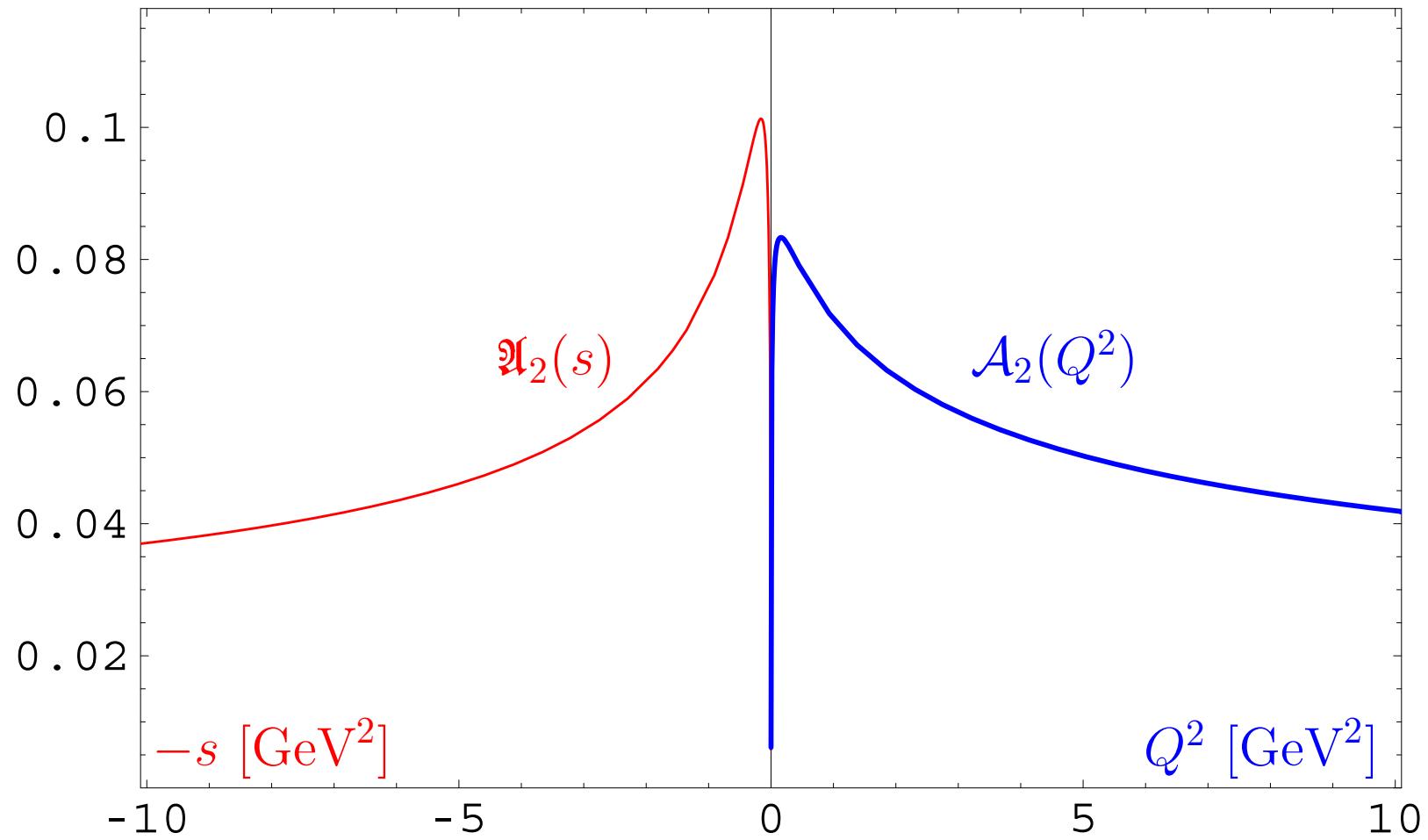
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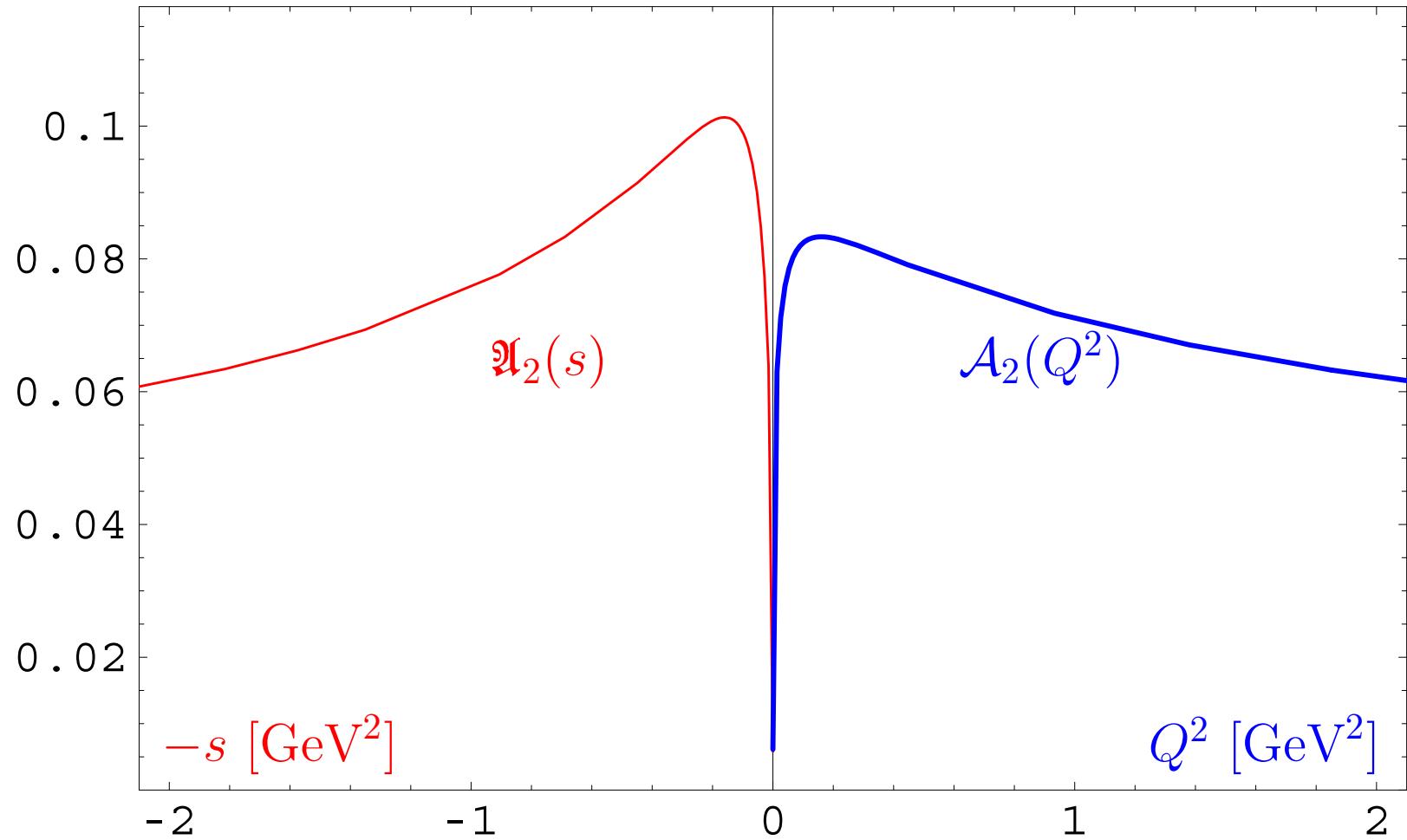
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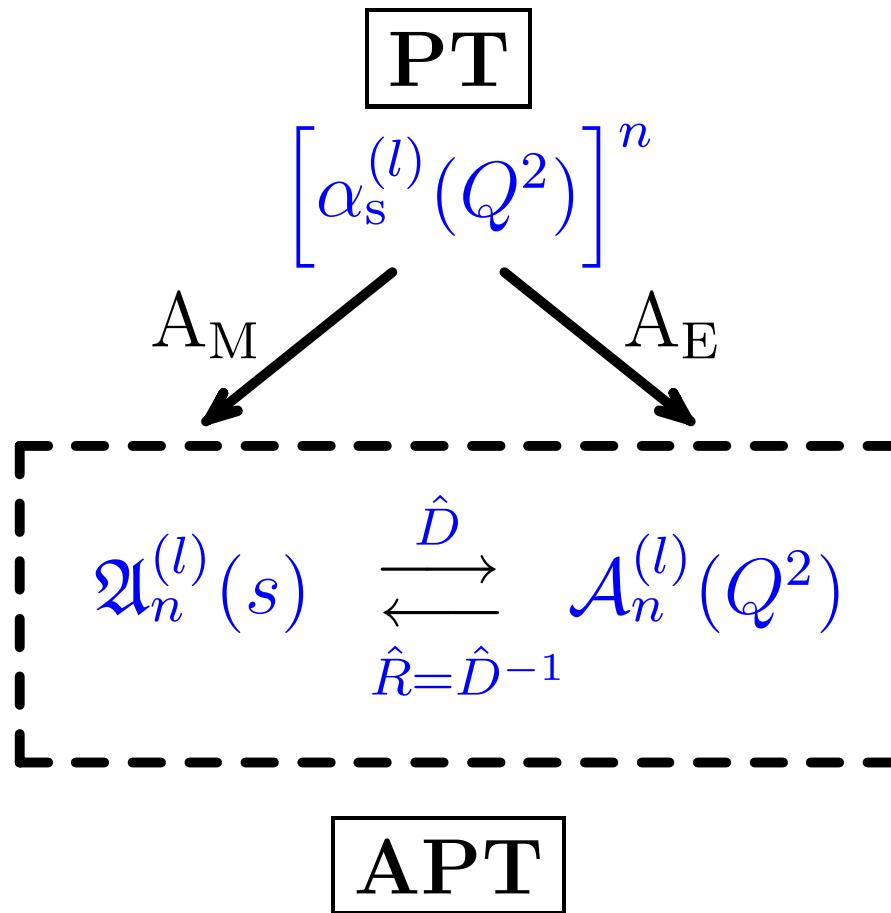
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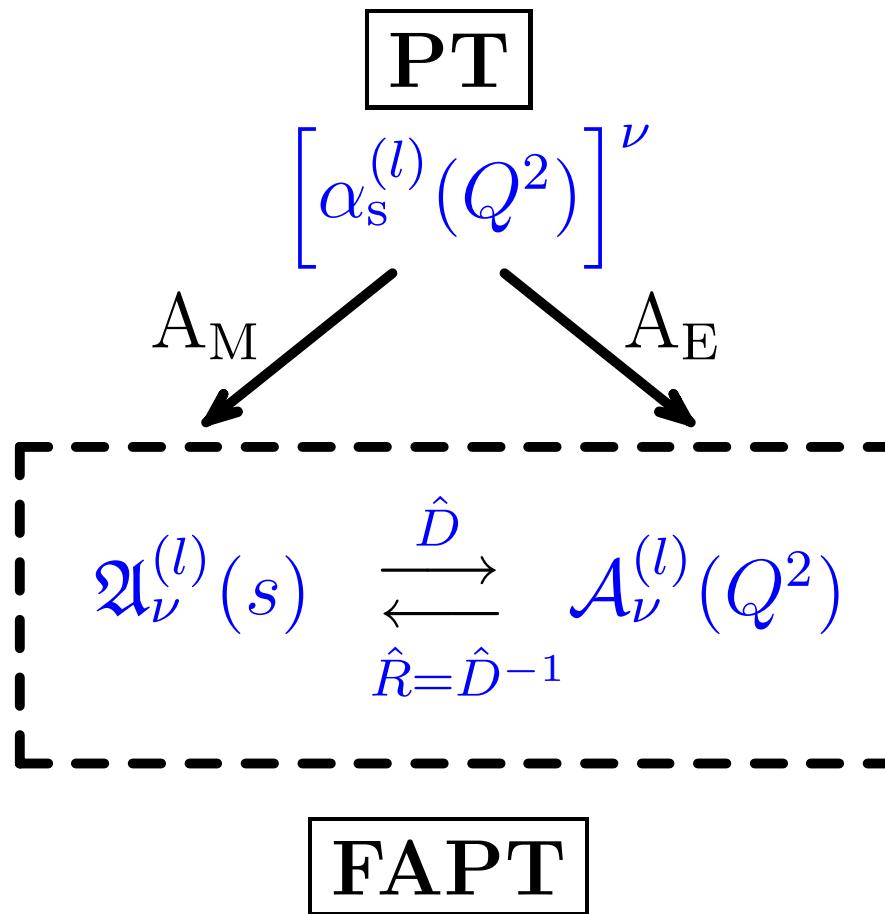
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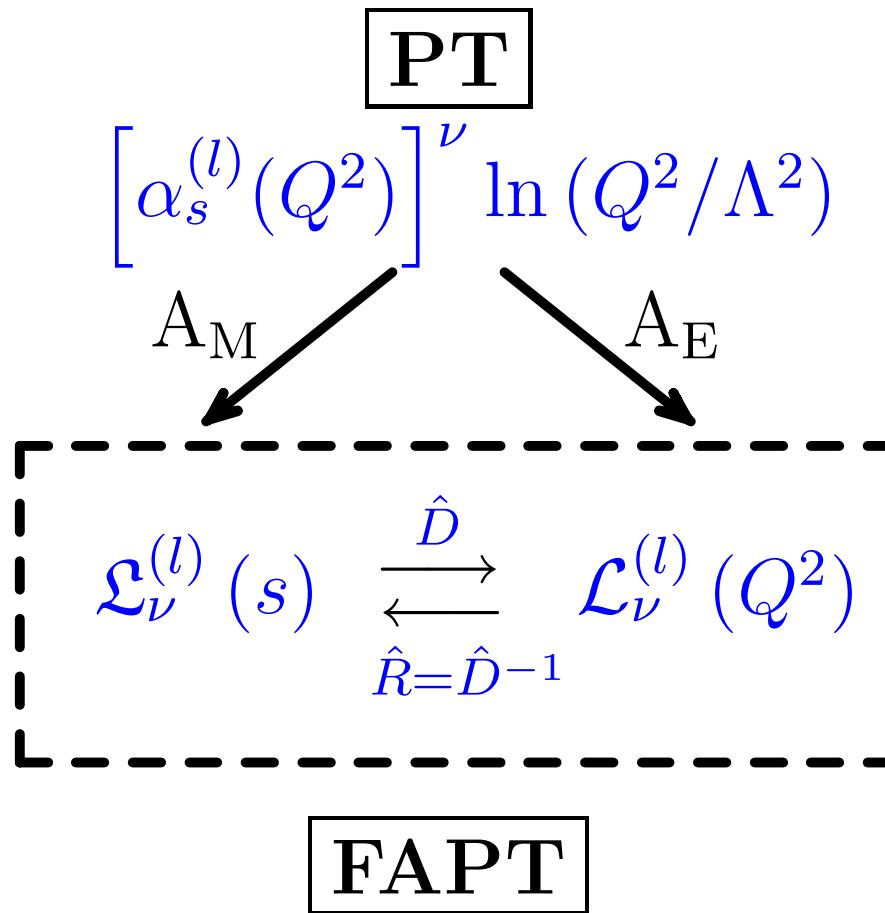
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This enables “analytization” of expressions like shown in figure.

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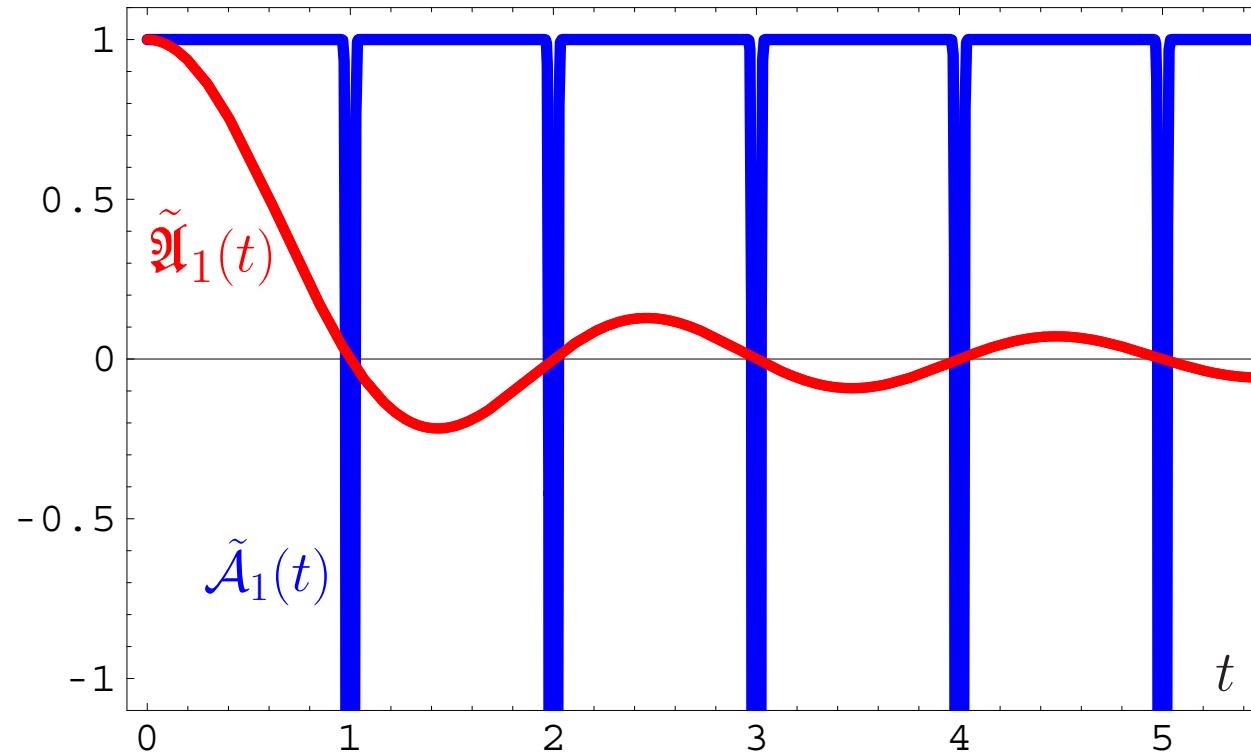
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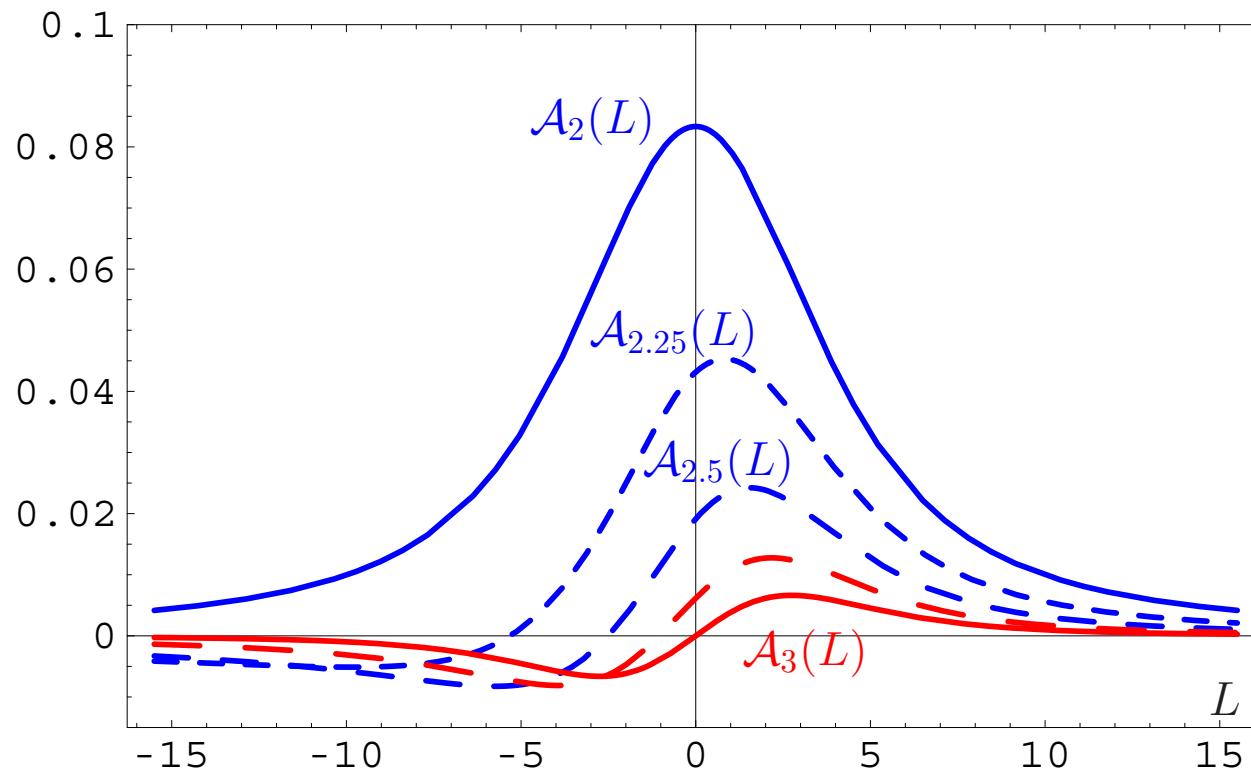
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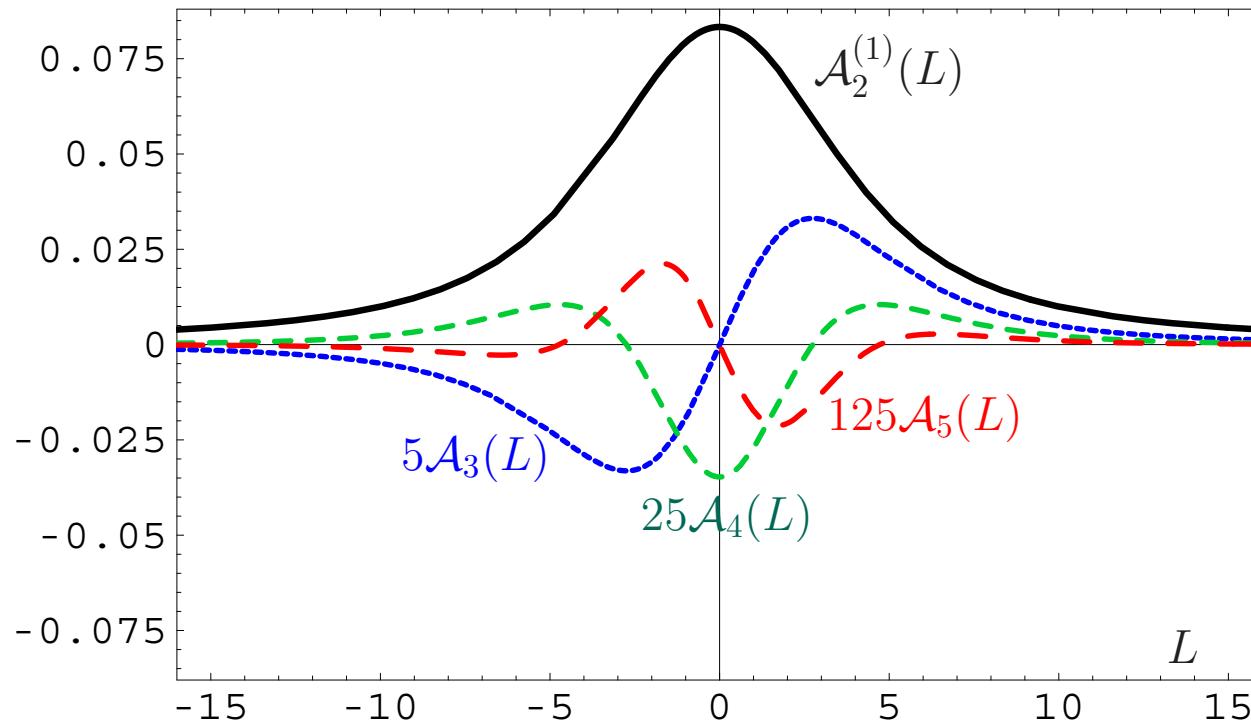
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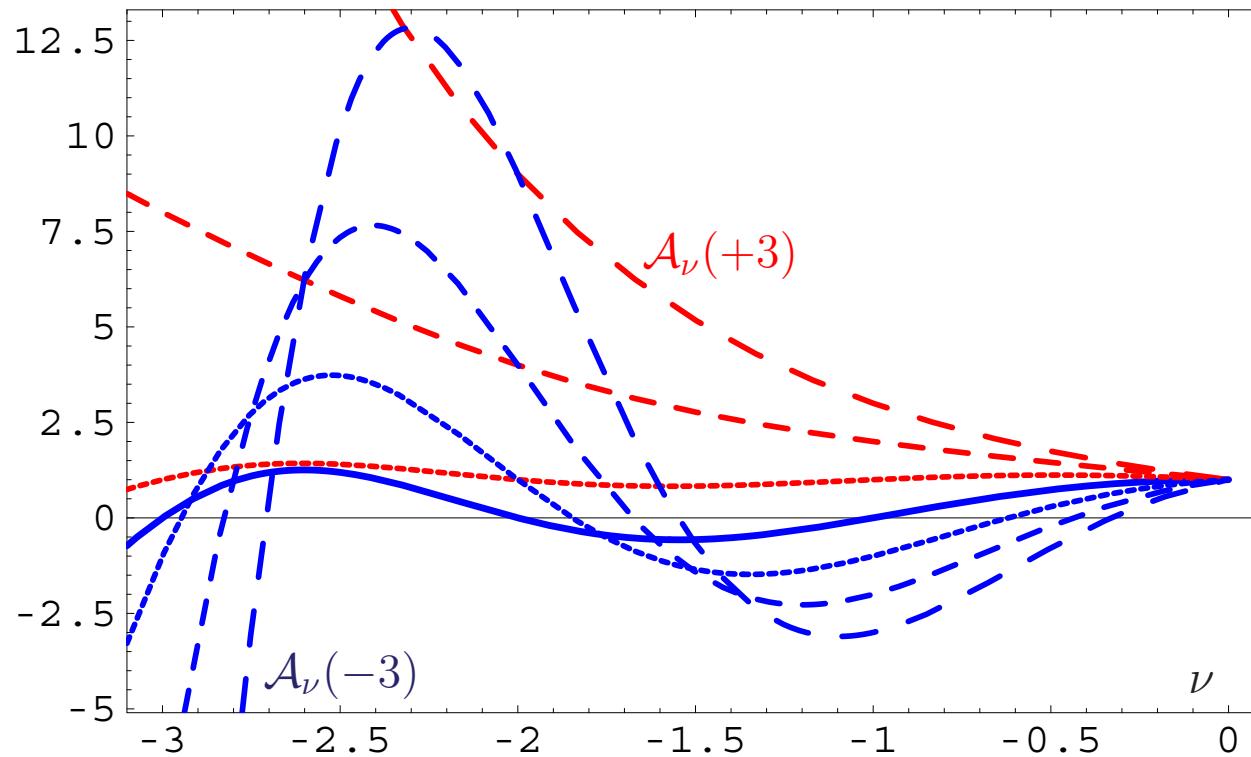
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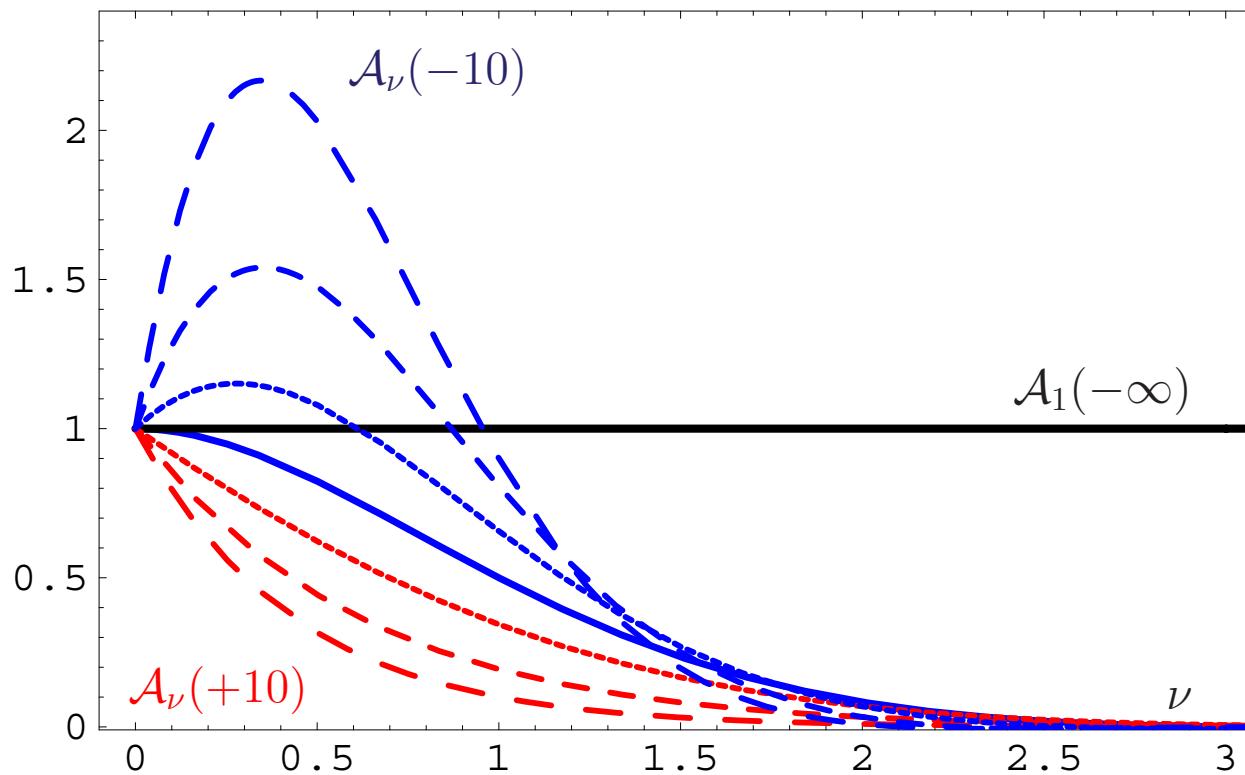
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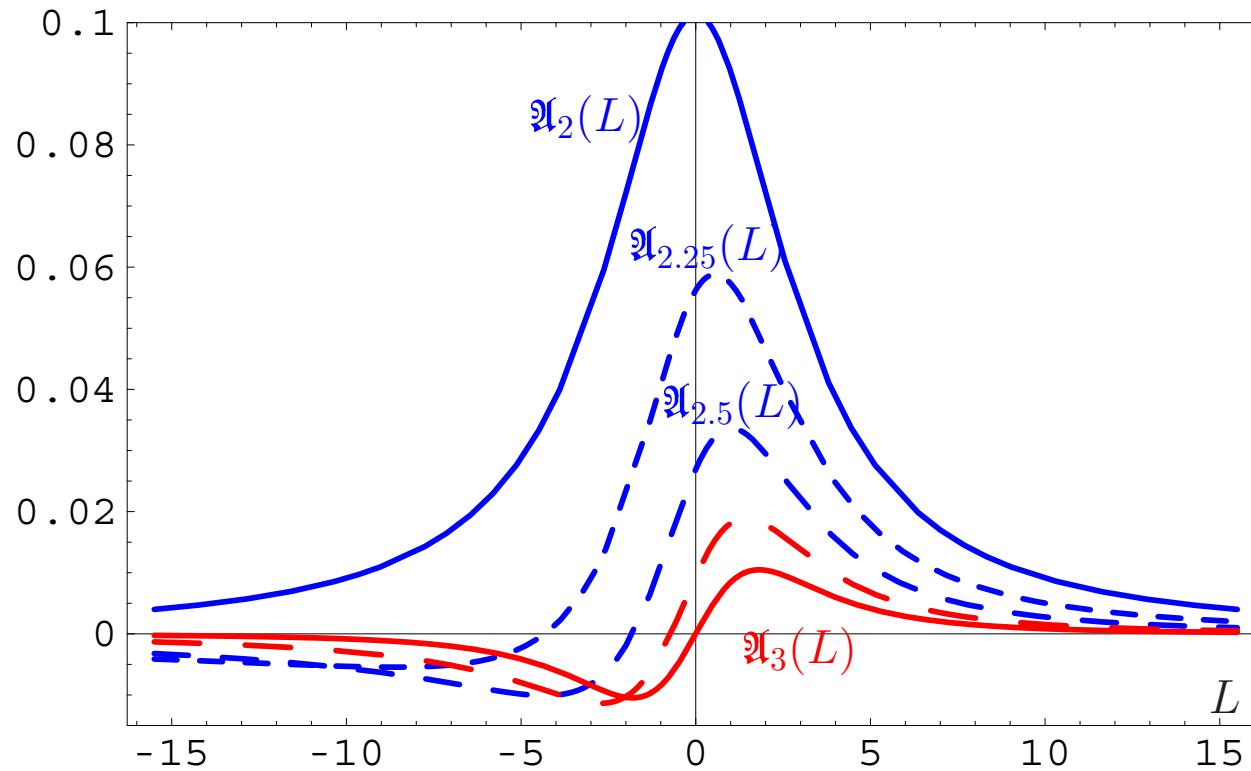
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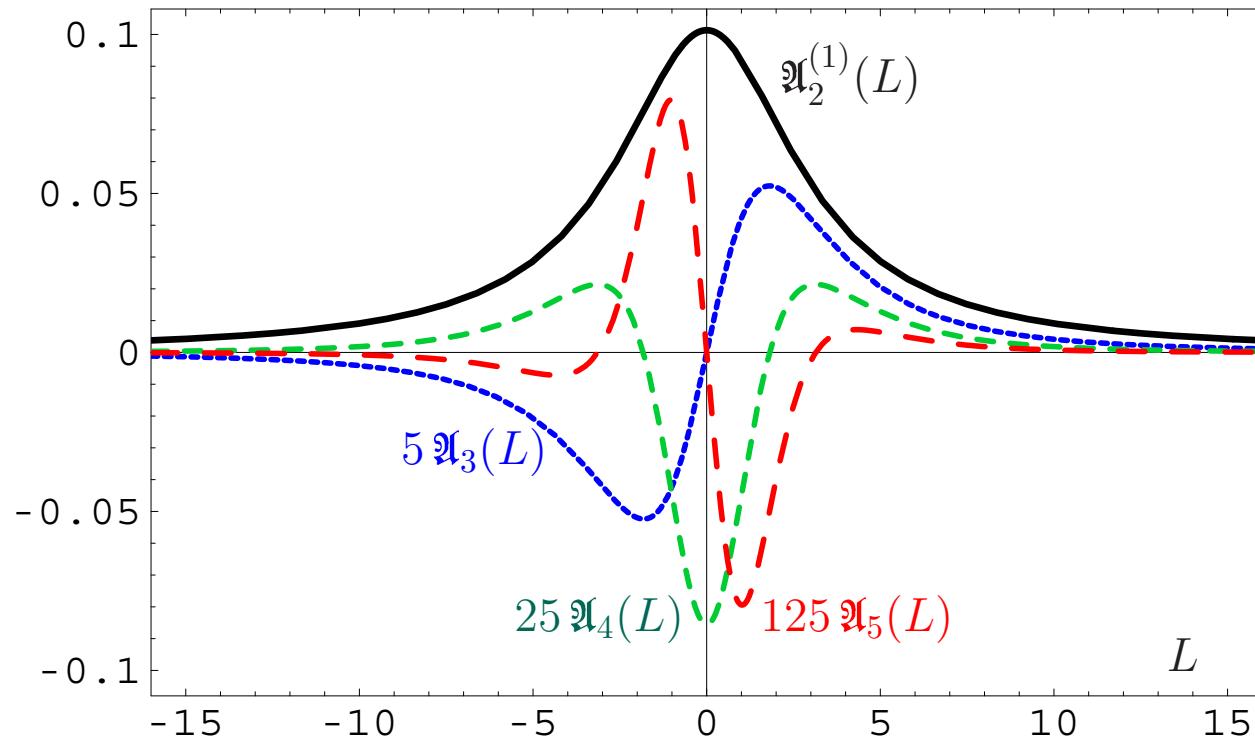
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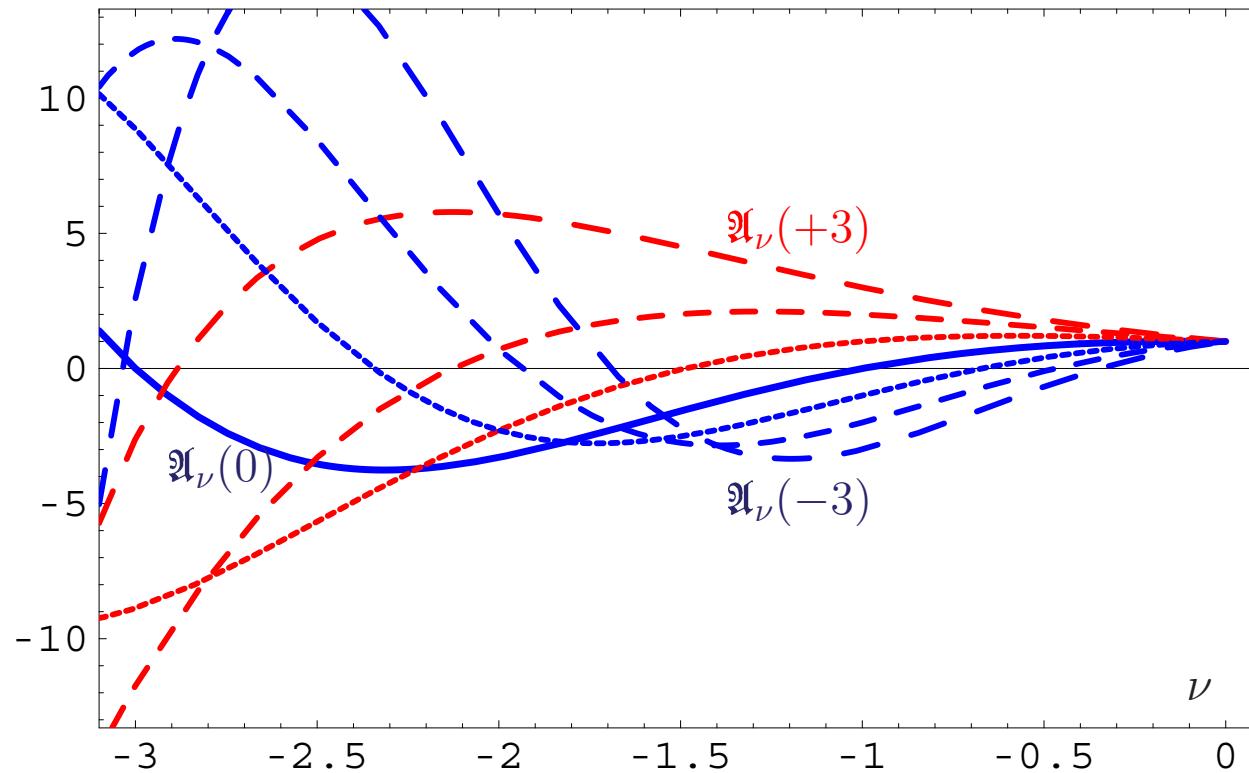
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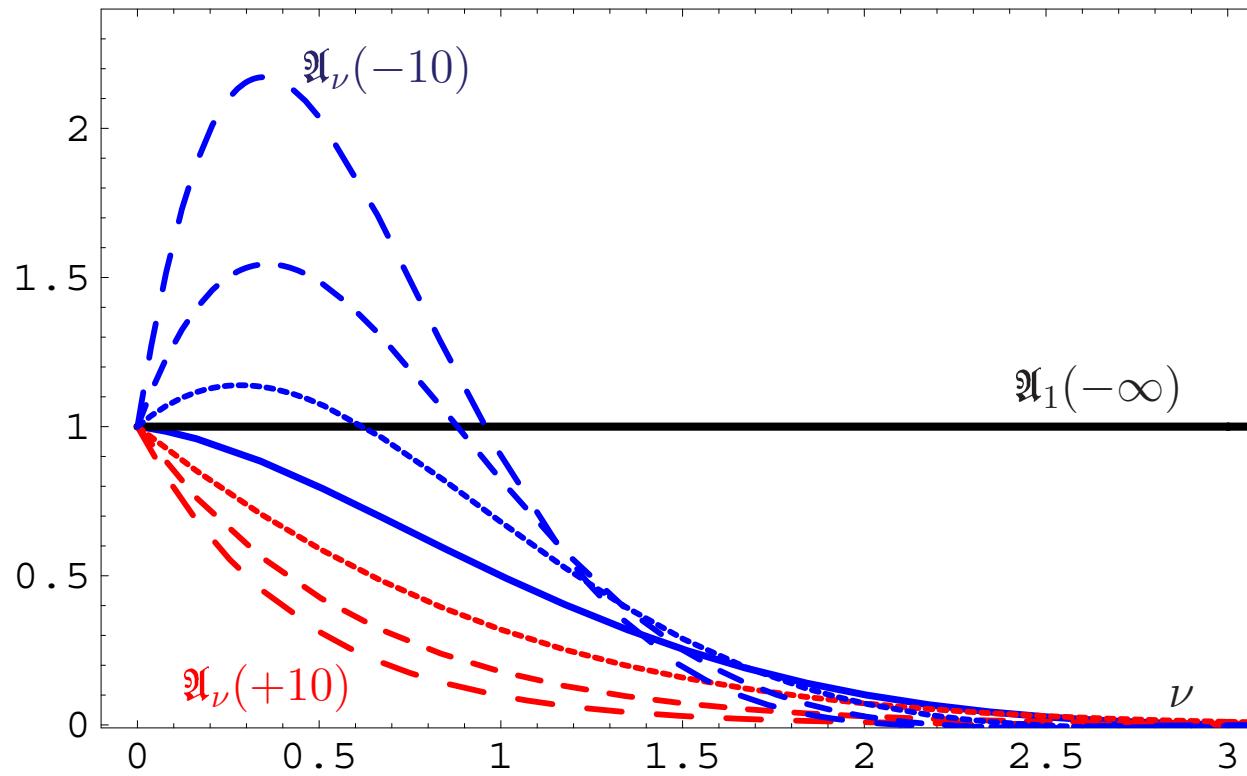
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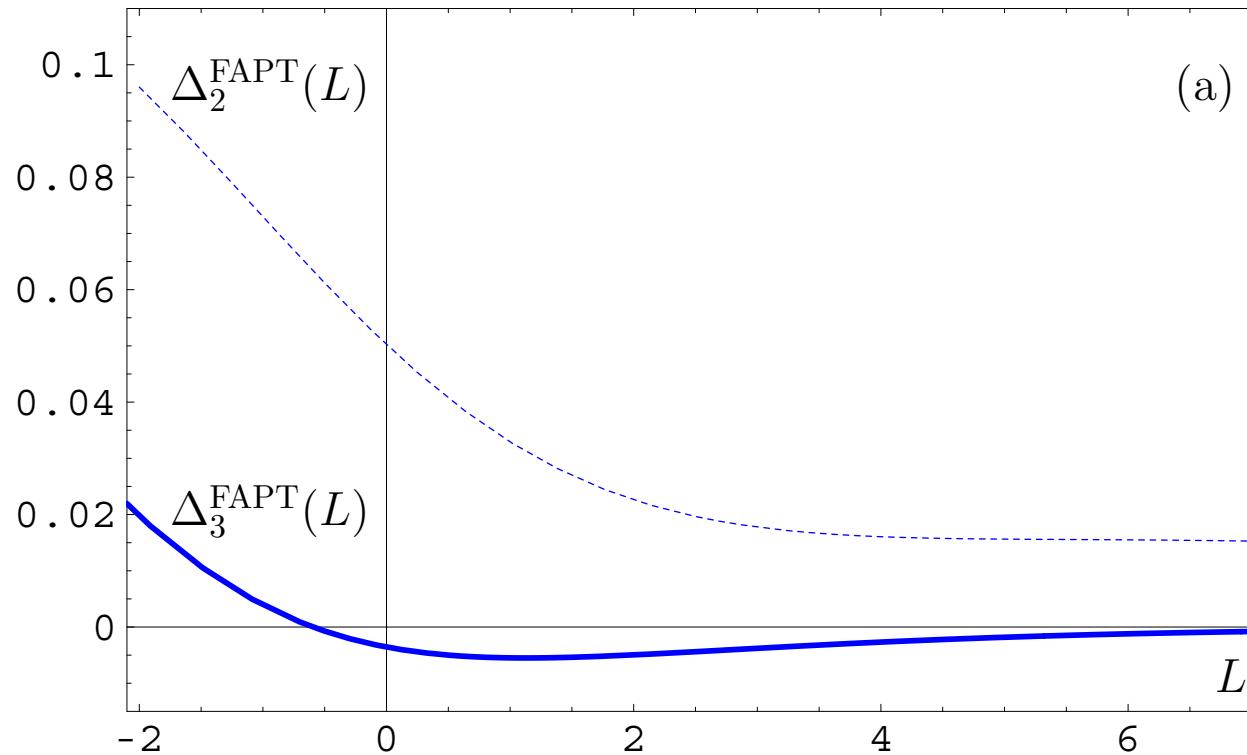
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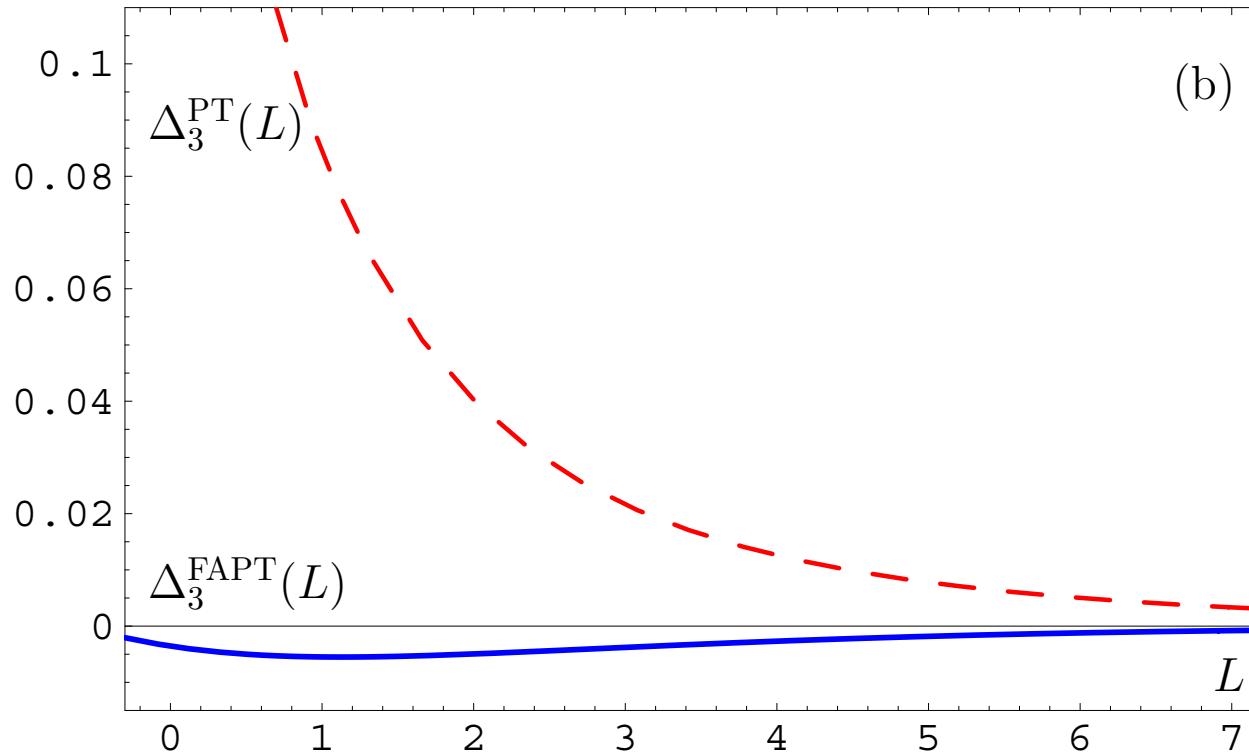
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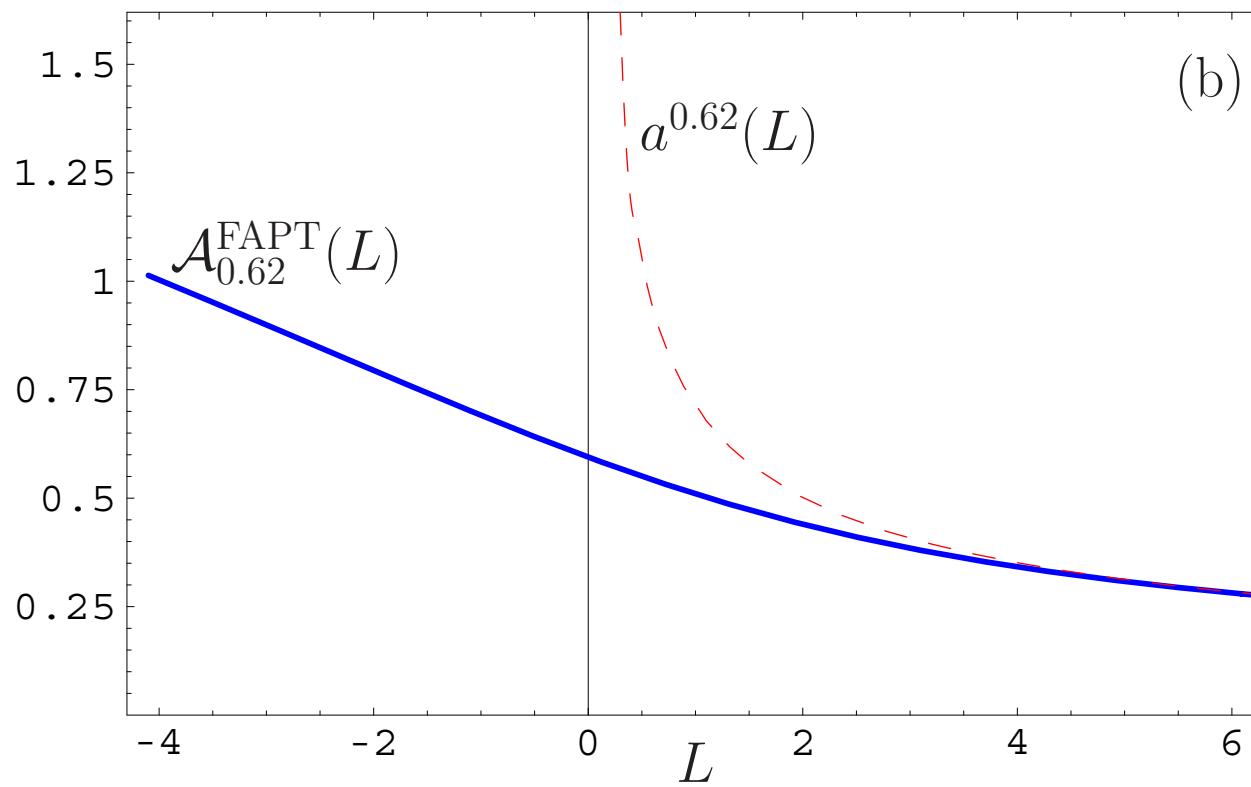
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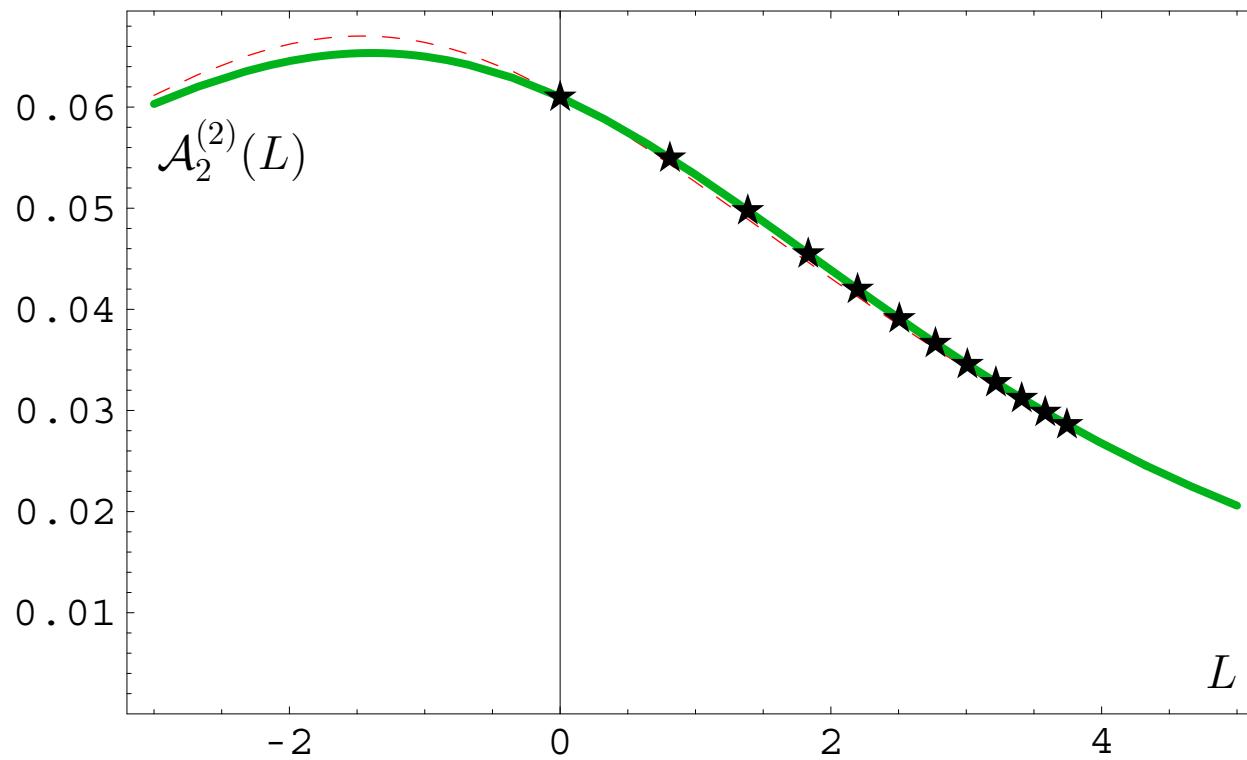
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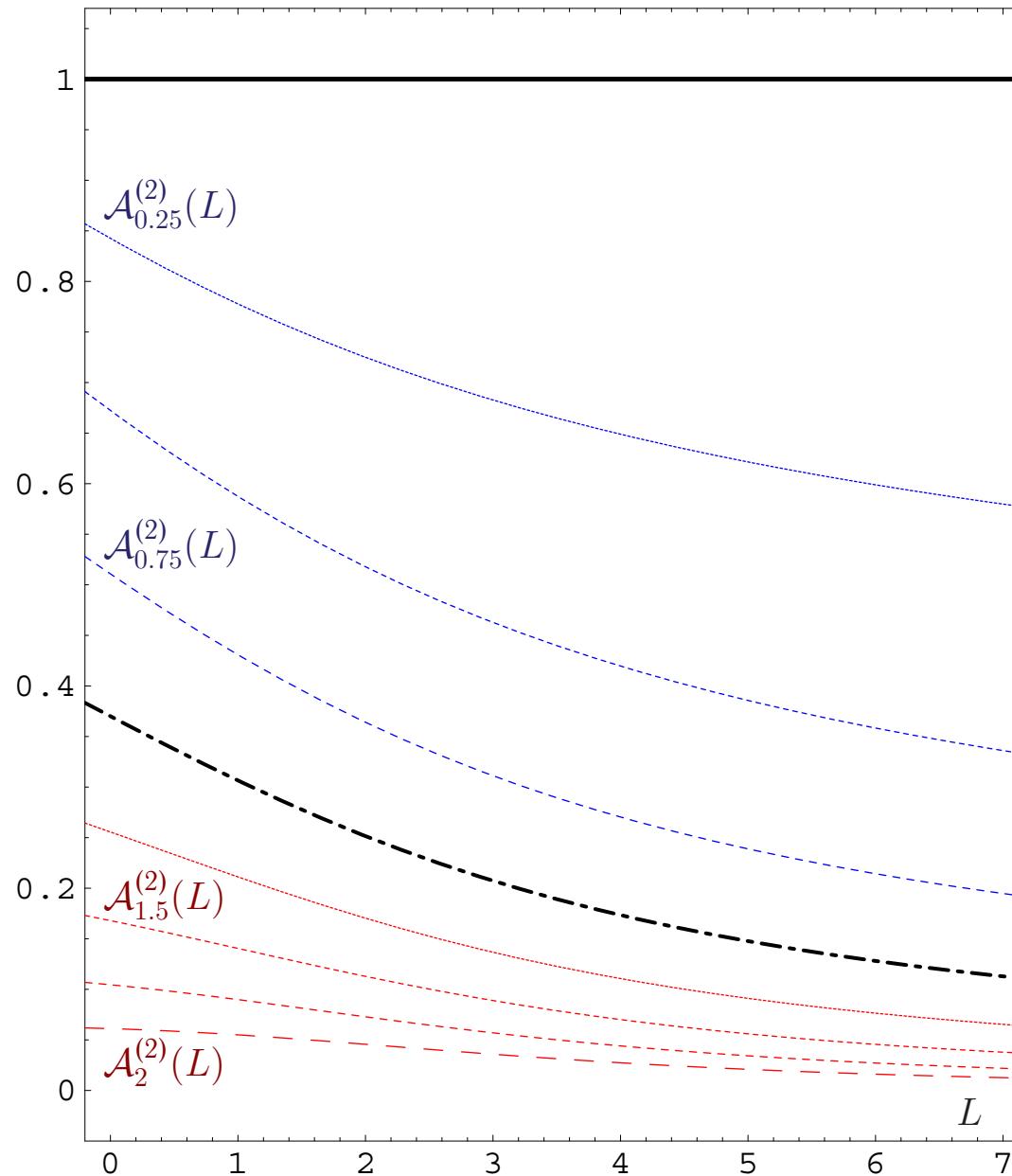


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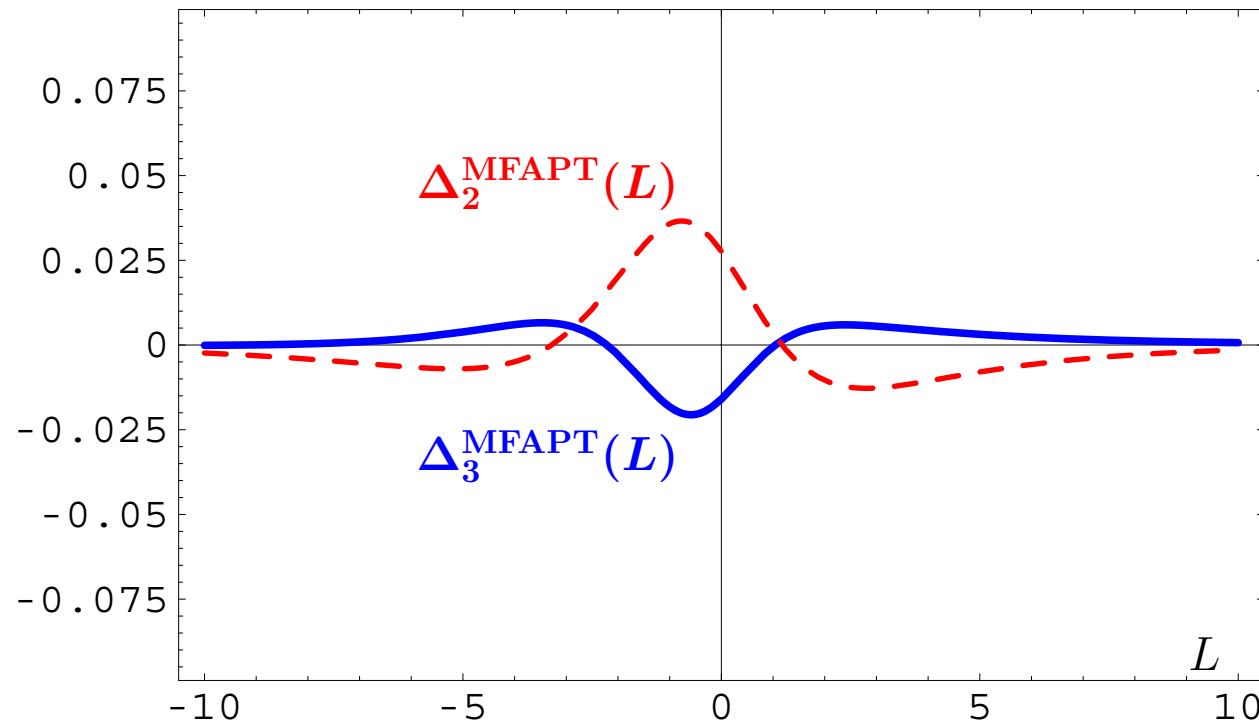


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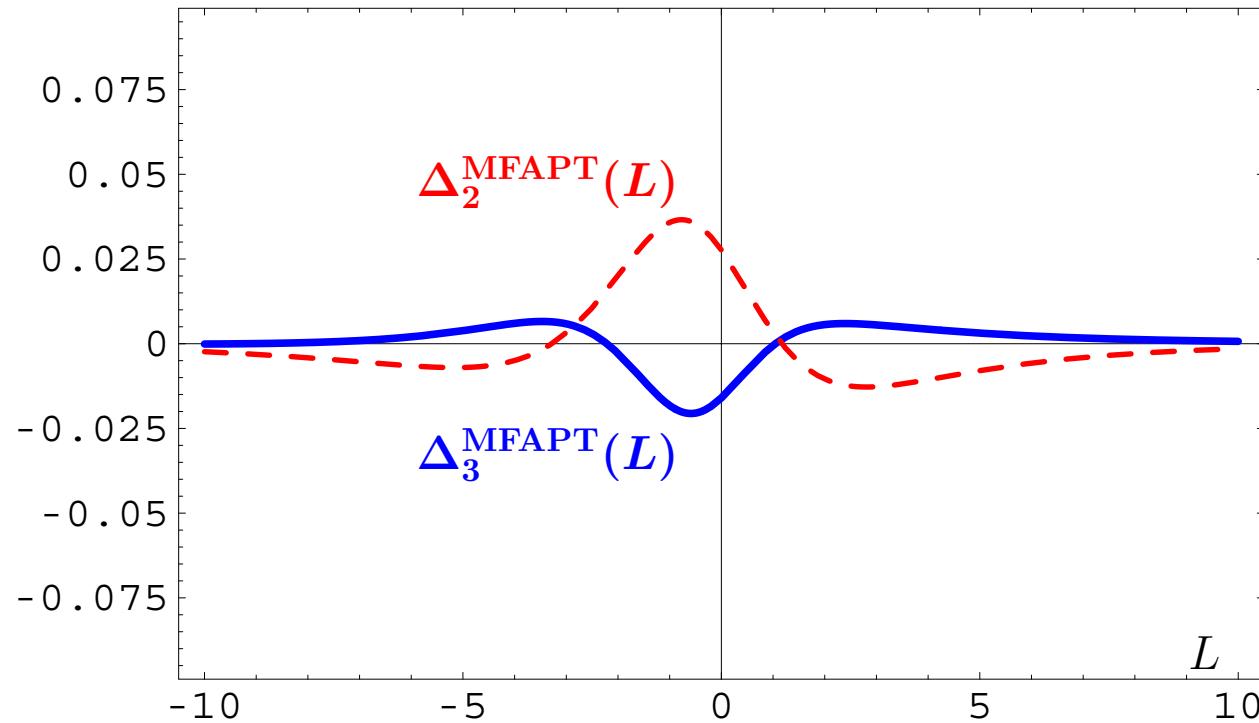
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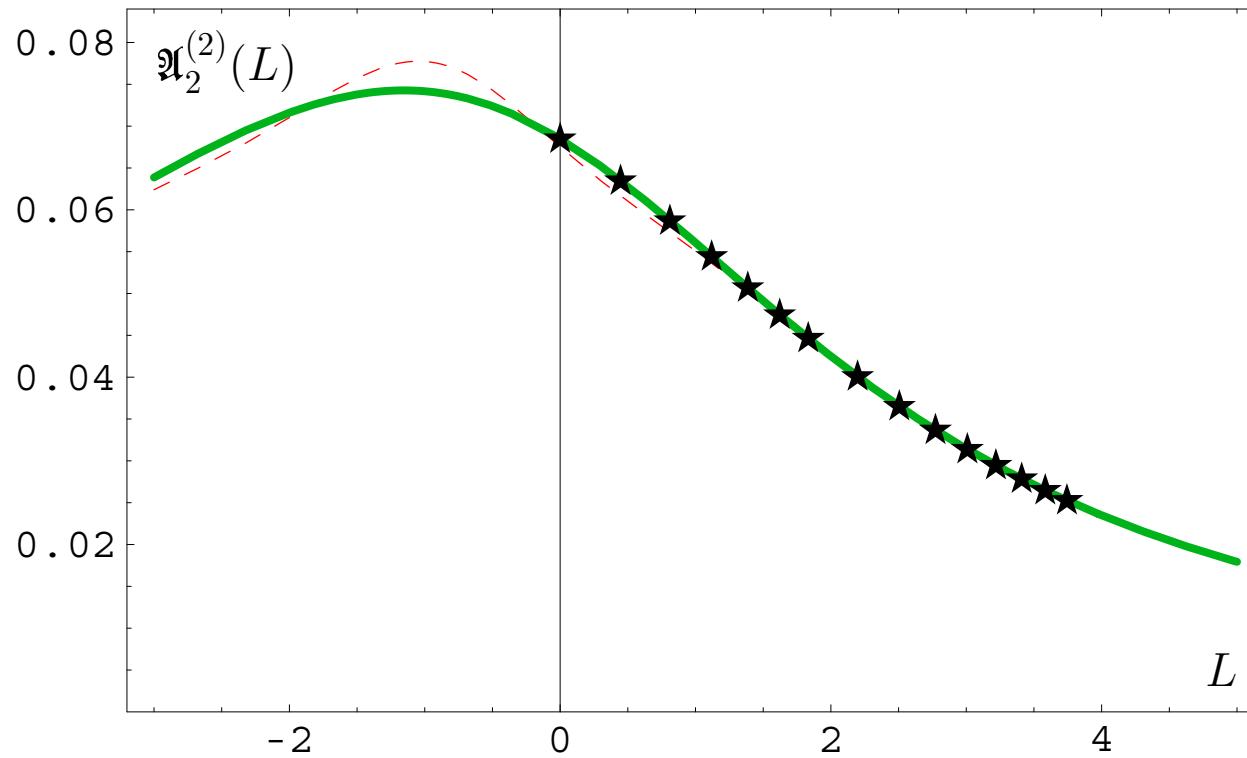
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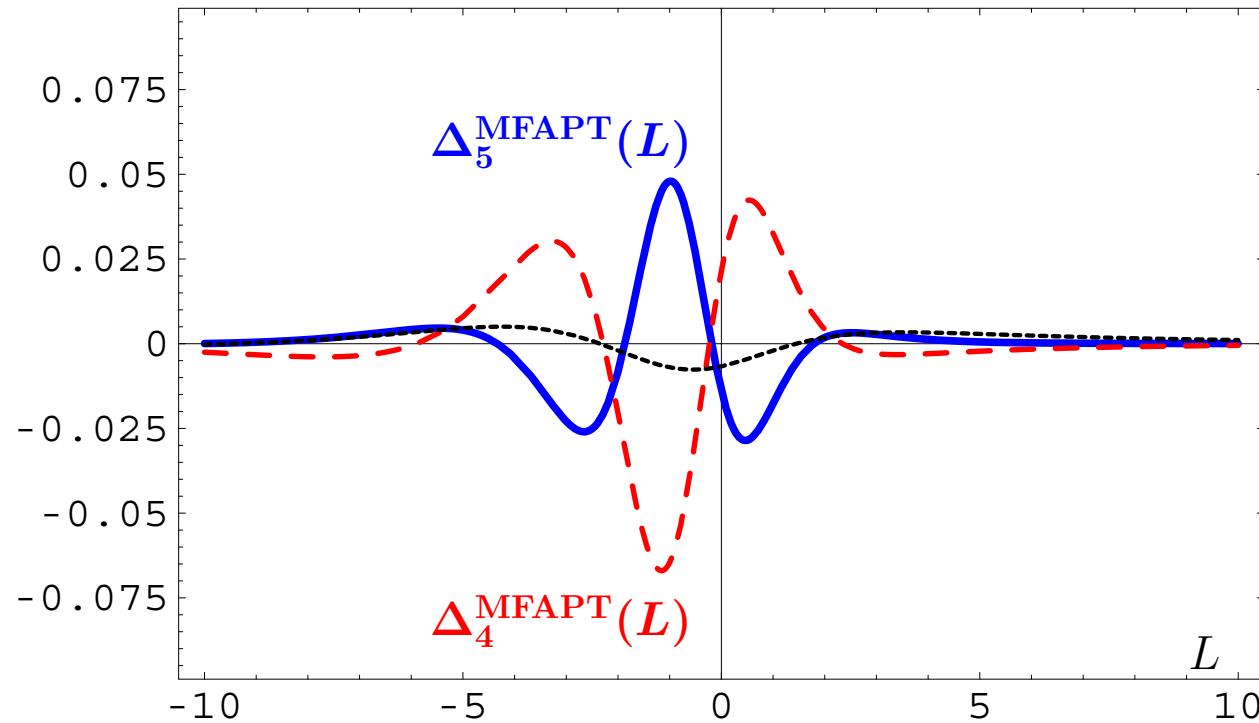
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Application:

Pion FF in FAPT

Factorizable part of pion FF at NLO

Scaled hard-scattering amplitude truncated at NLO and evaluated at renormalization scale $\mu_R^2 = \lambda_R Q^2$ reads

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with shorthand notation

$$t_{H,2}^{(1,F)}\left(x, y; \frac{\mu_F^2}{Q^2}\right) = t_H^{(0)}(x, y) \left[2 \left(3 + \ln(\bar{x} \bar{y}) \right) \ln \frac{Q^2}{\mu_F^2} \right]$$

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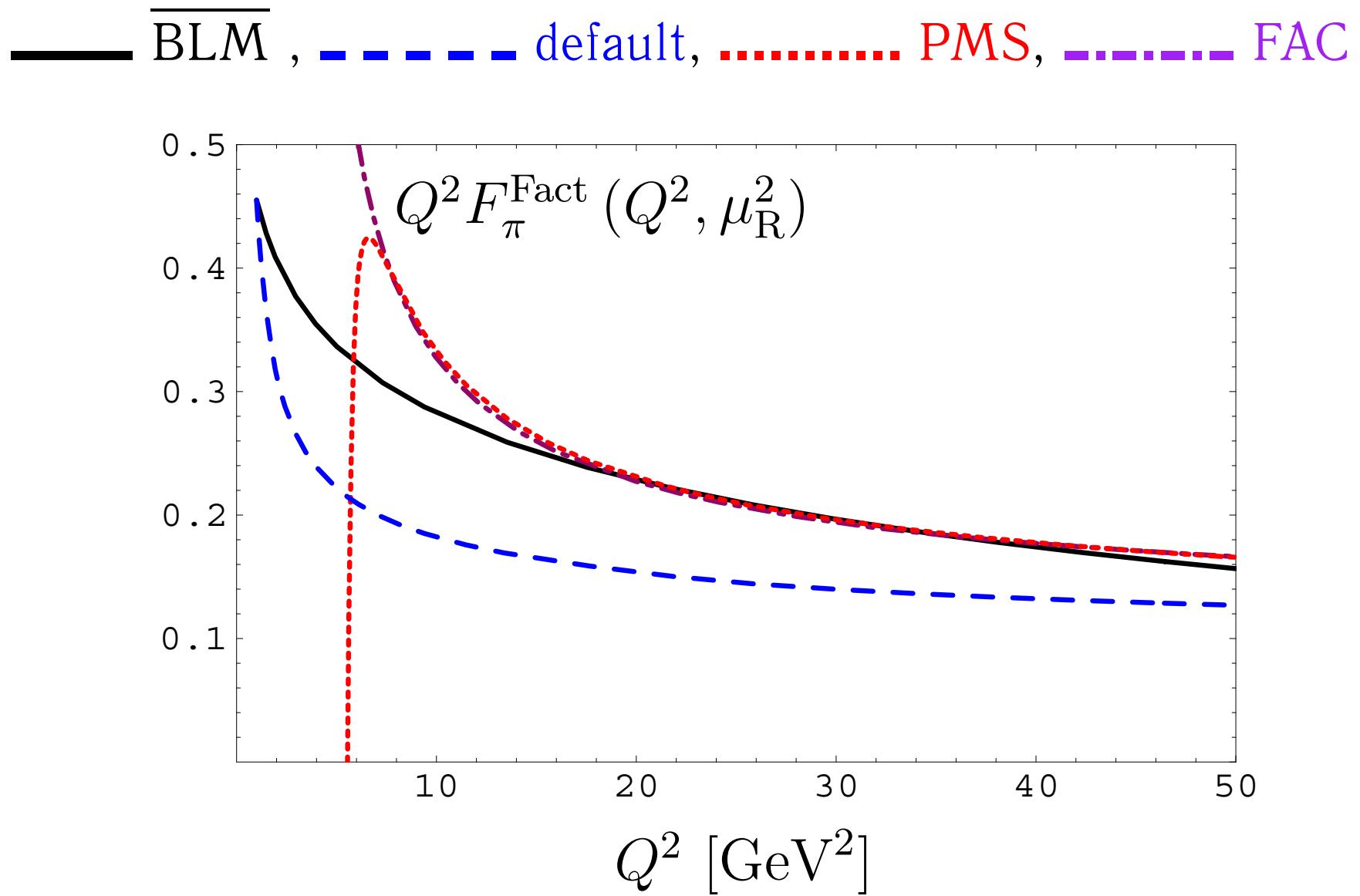
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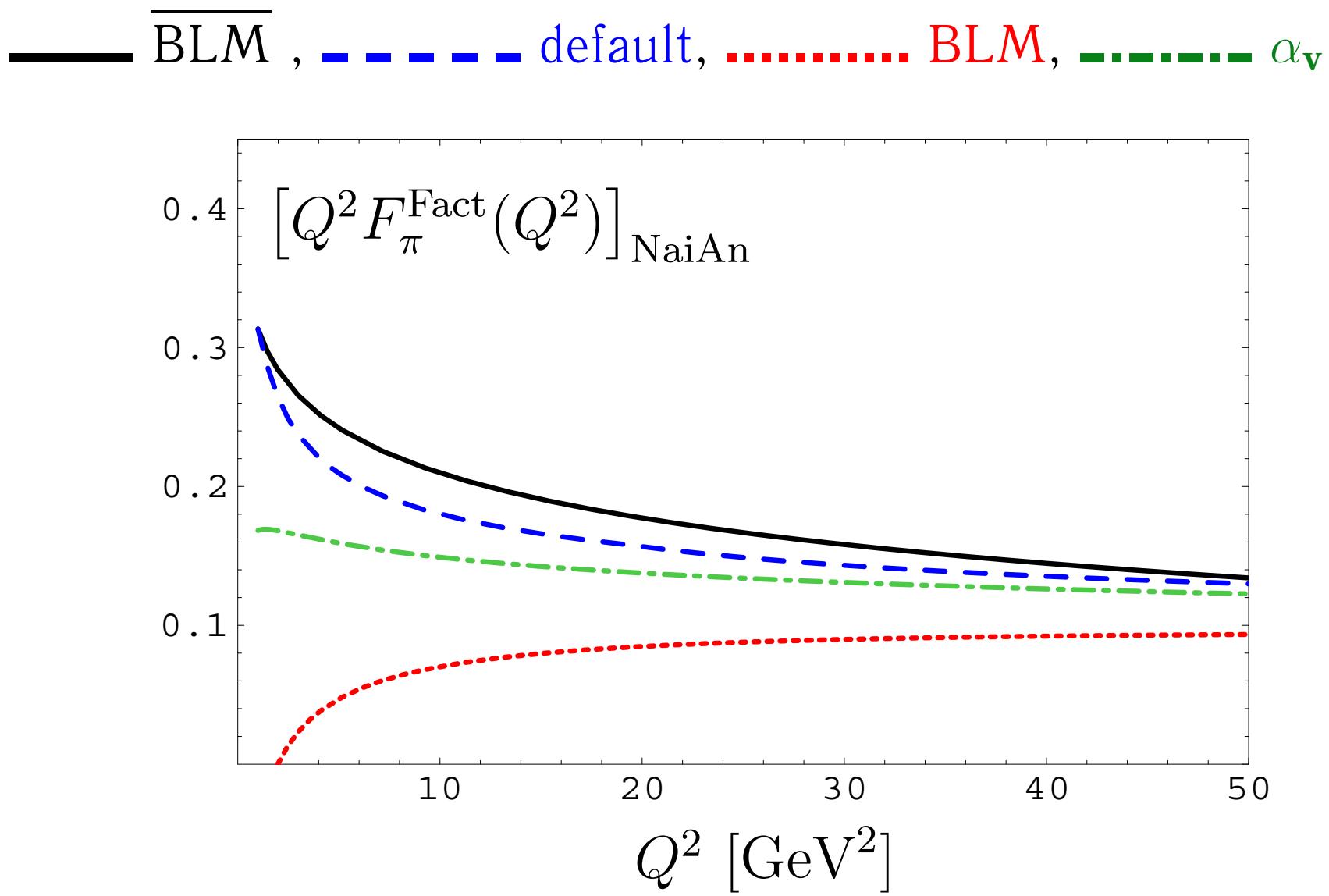
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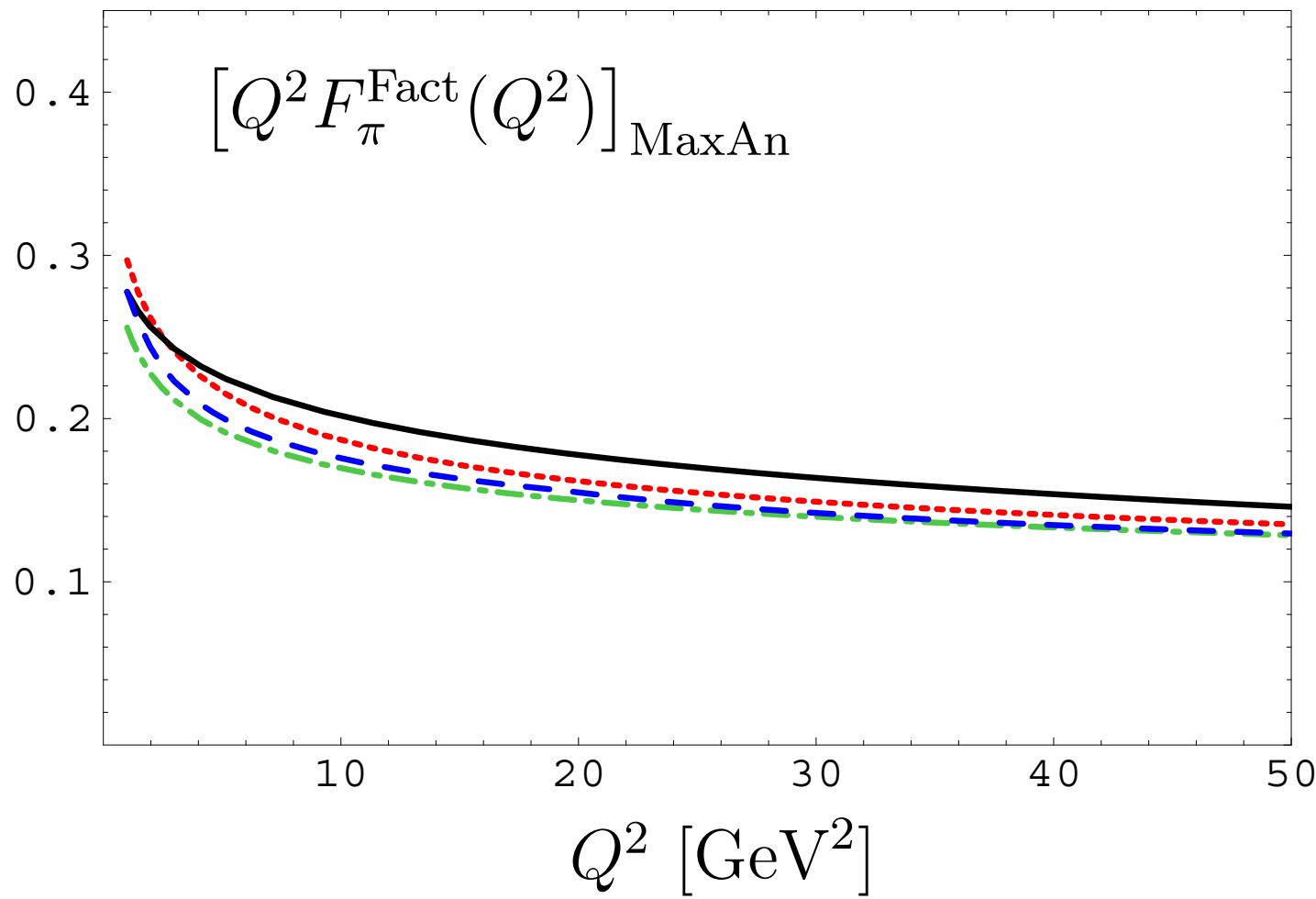


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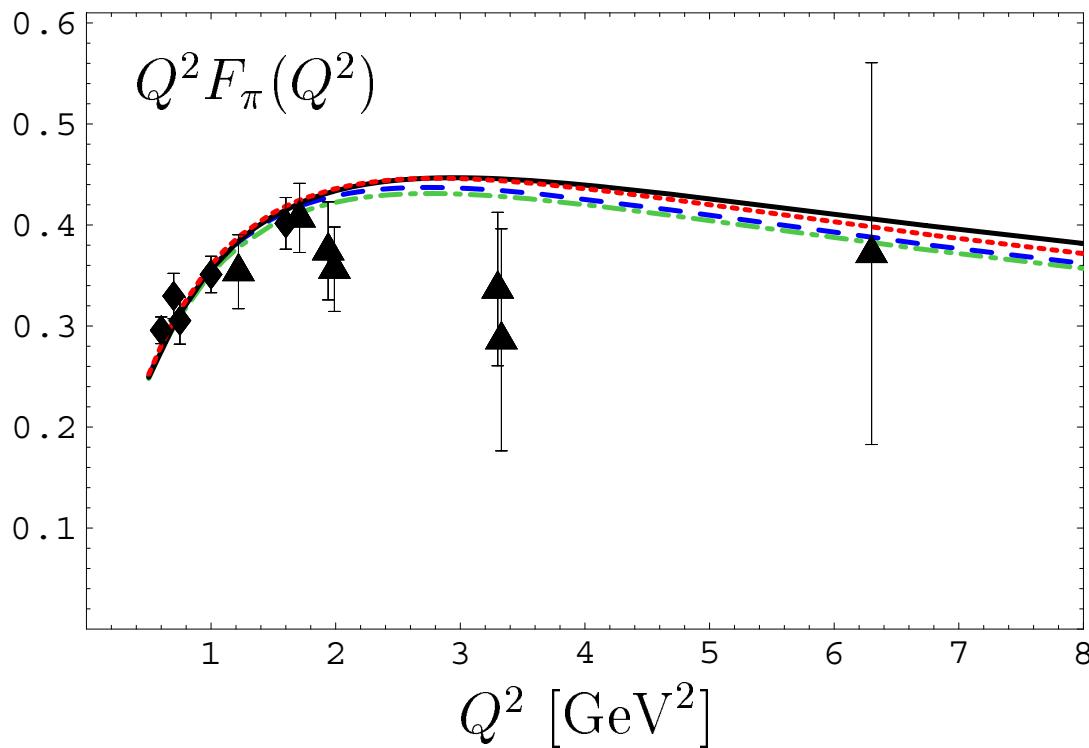
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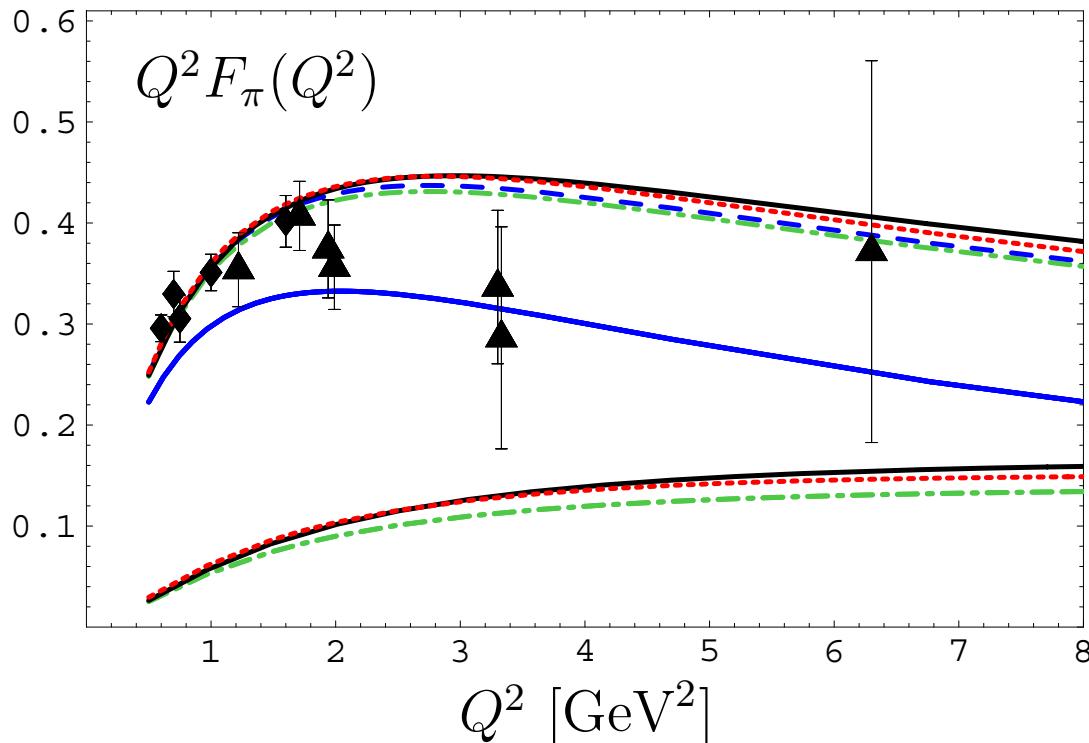


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so that

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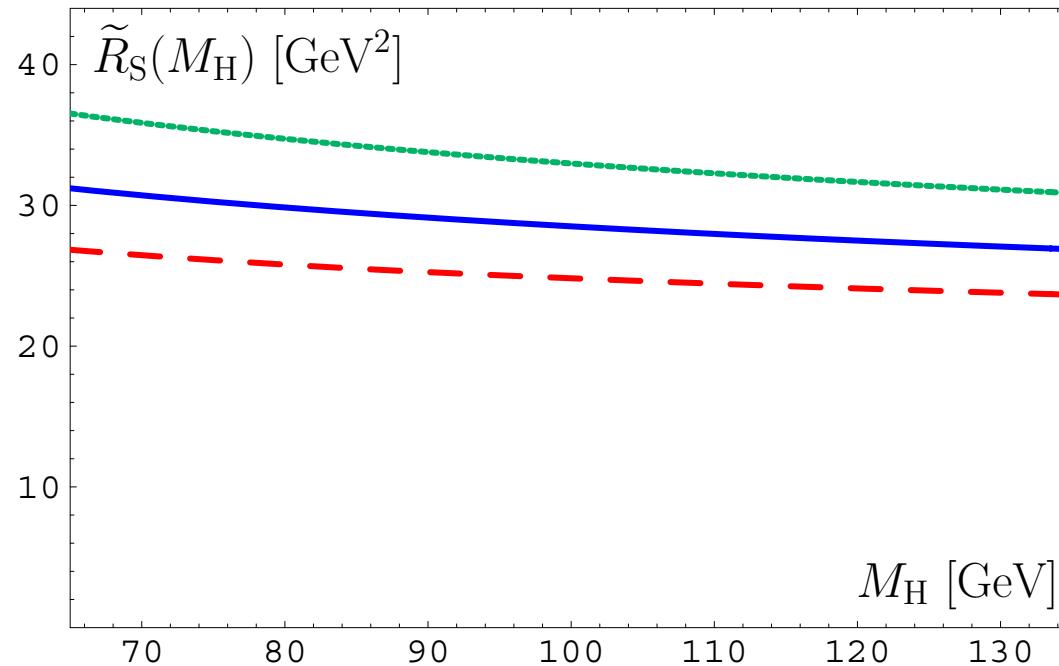
Graphics for R_S in two loops

Illustration of $\tilde{R}_S(M_H^2)$ calculation in different schemes:

2-loop QCD PT (dashed red line),

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