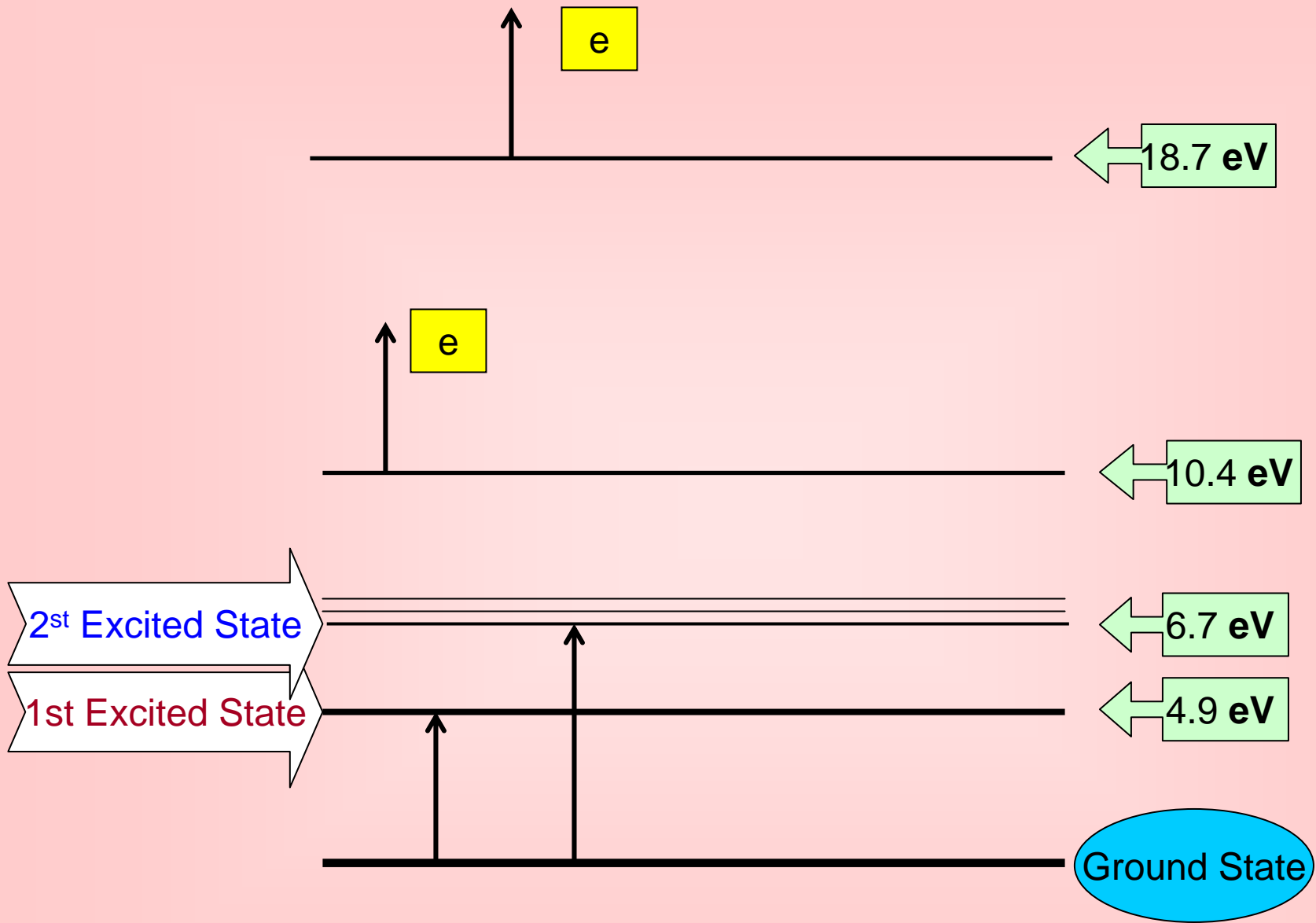
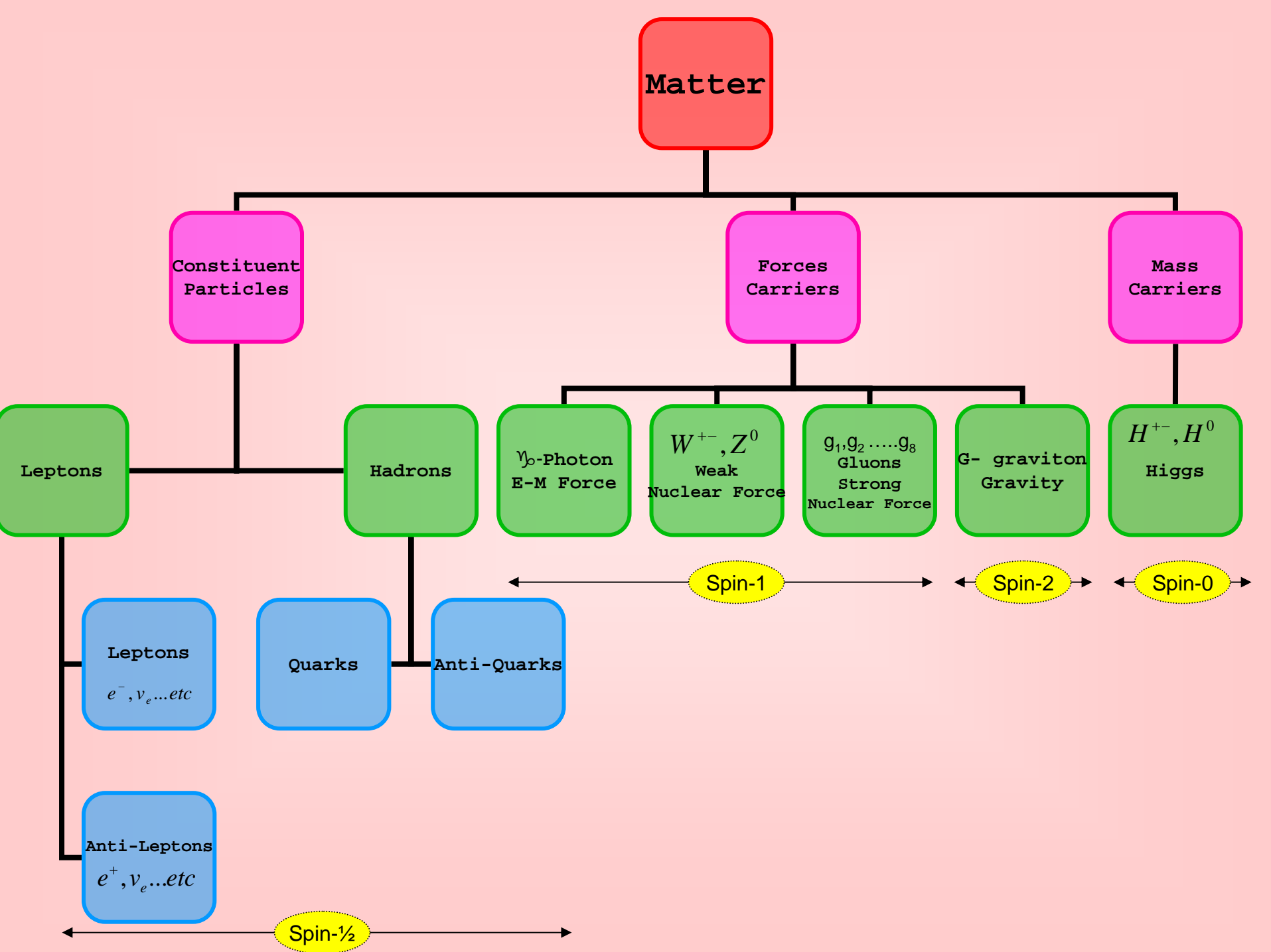


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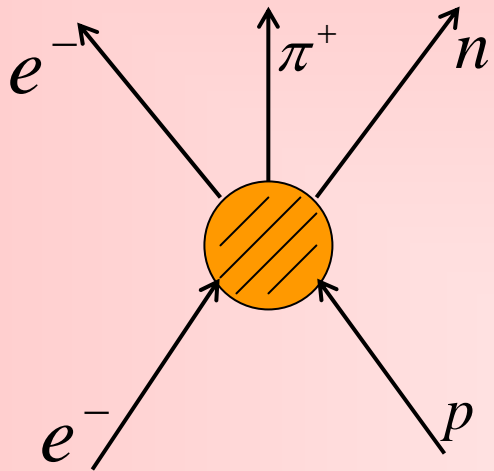
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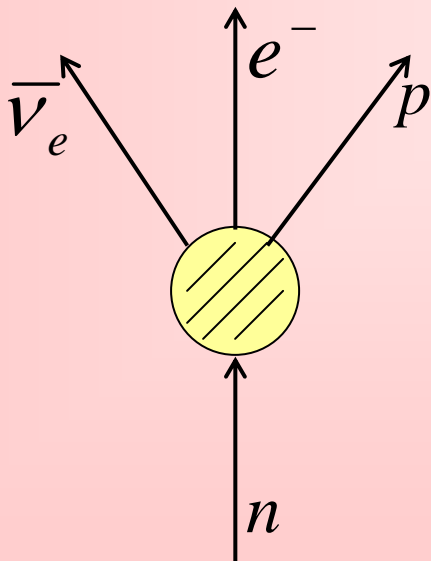
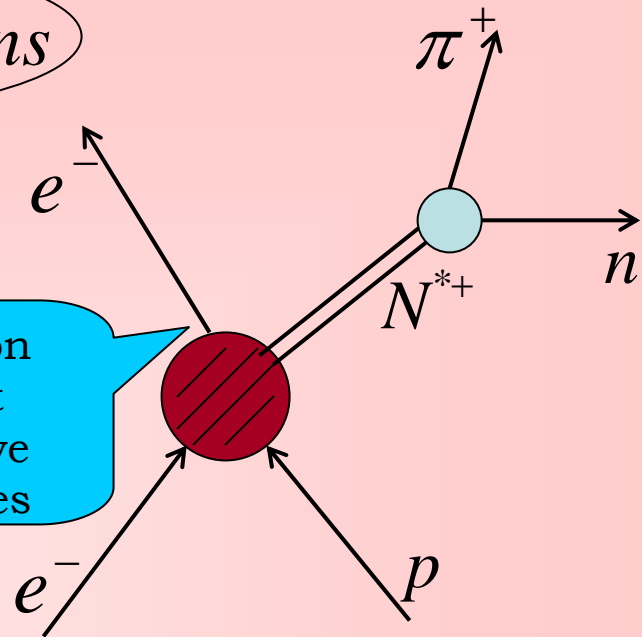


Particle Reactions

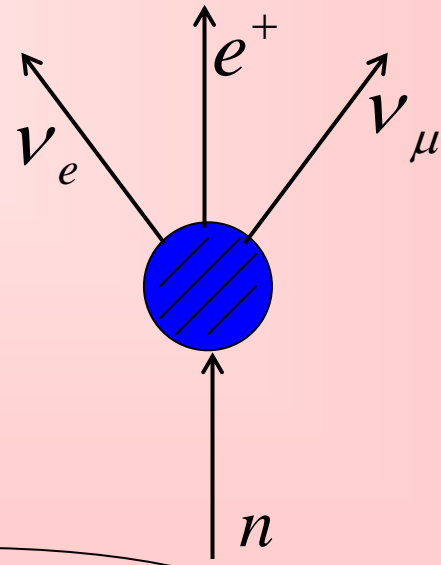
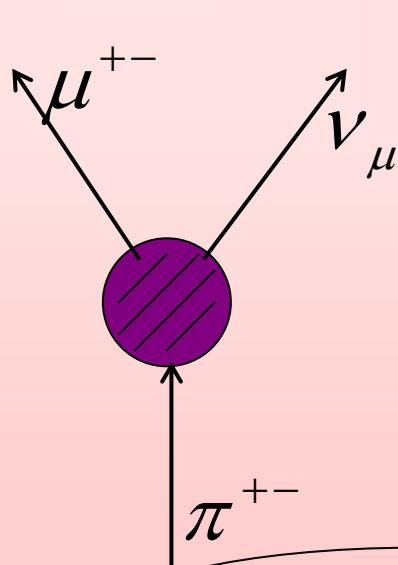
$$e^- + p \rightarrow e^- + n + \pi^+$$



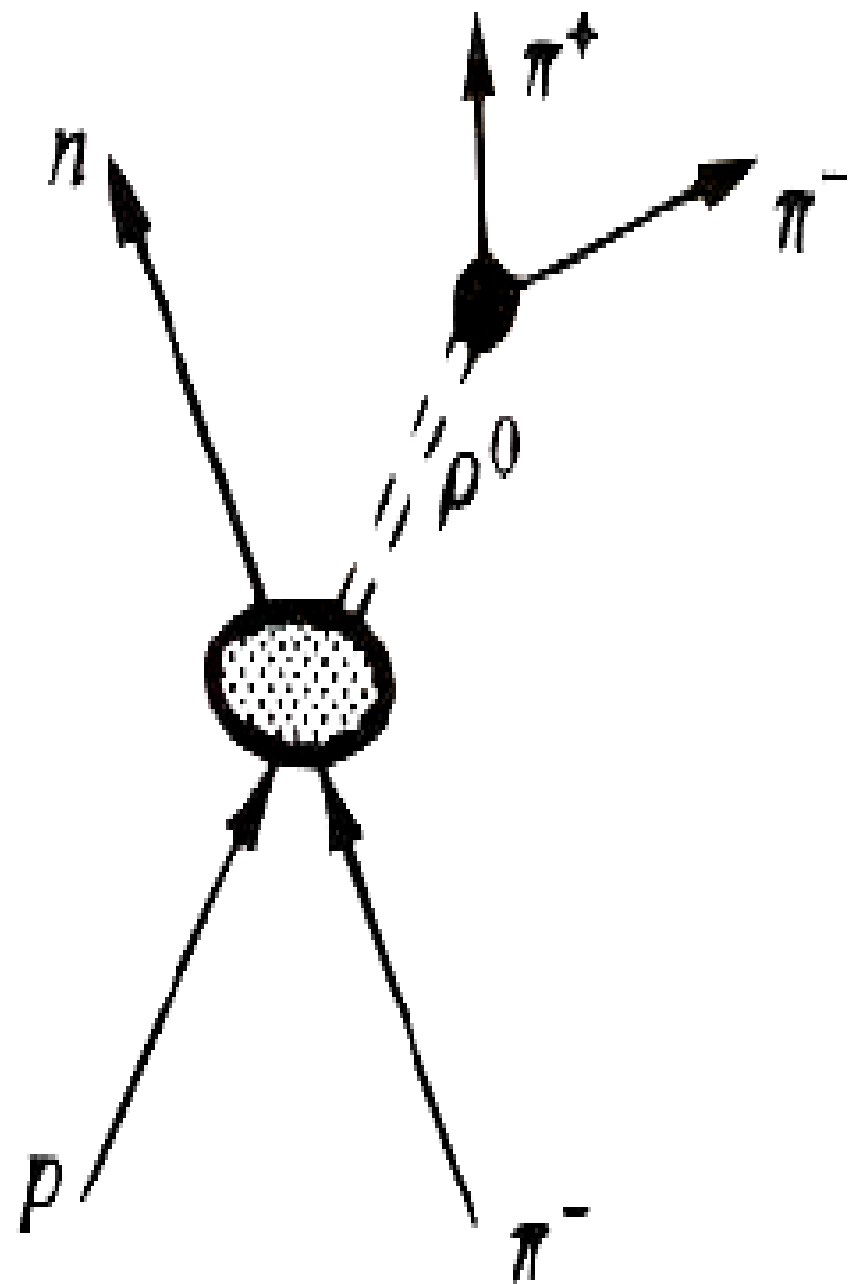
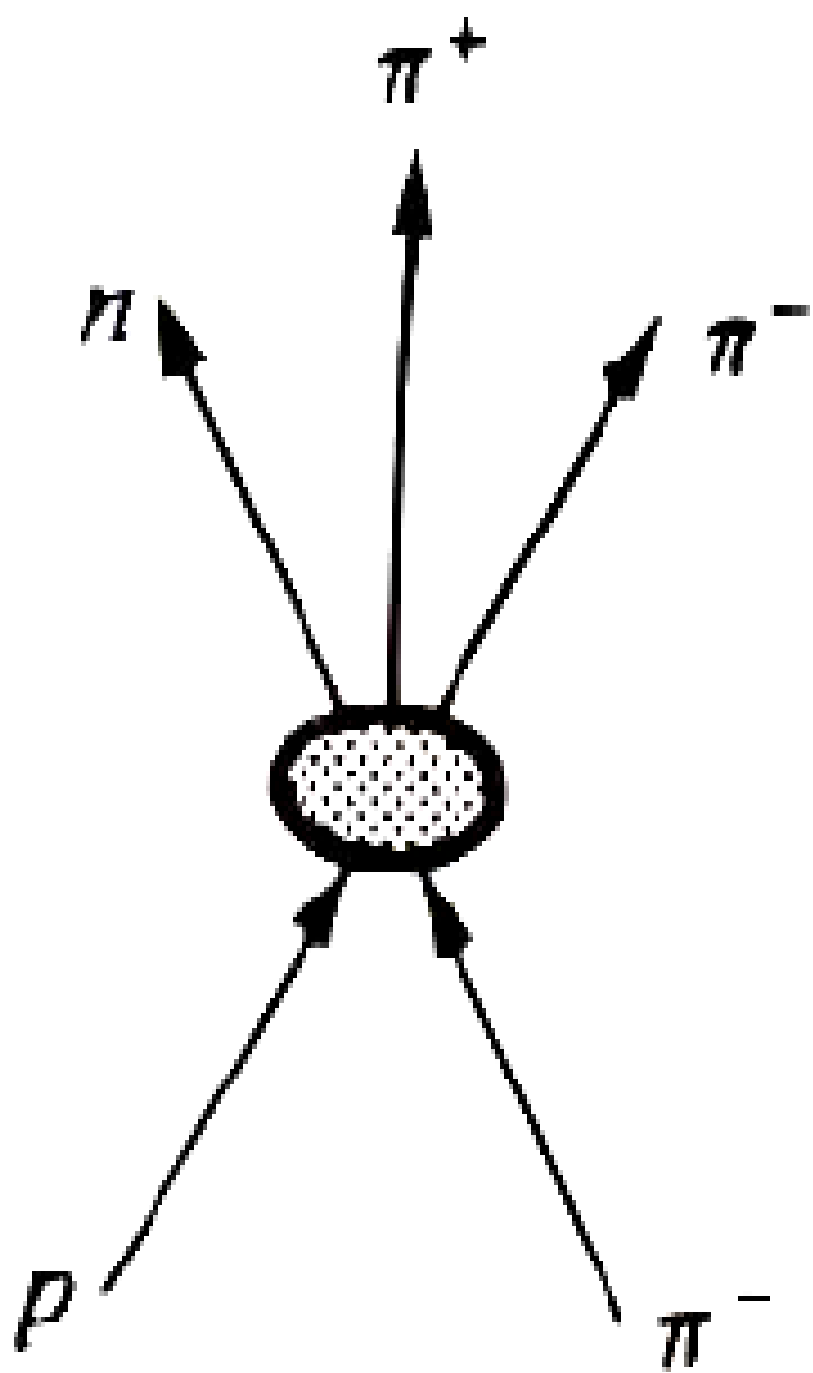
This Reaction shows that Nucleus have excited states



$$n \rightarrow p + e^- + \nu_e$$



Scattering Processes



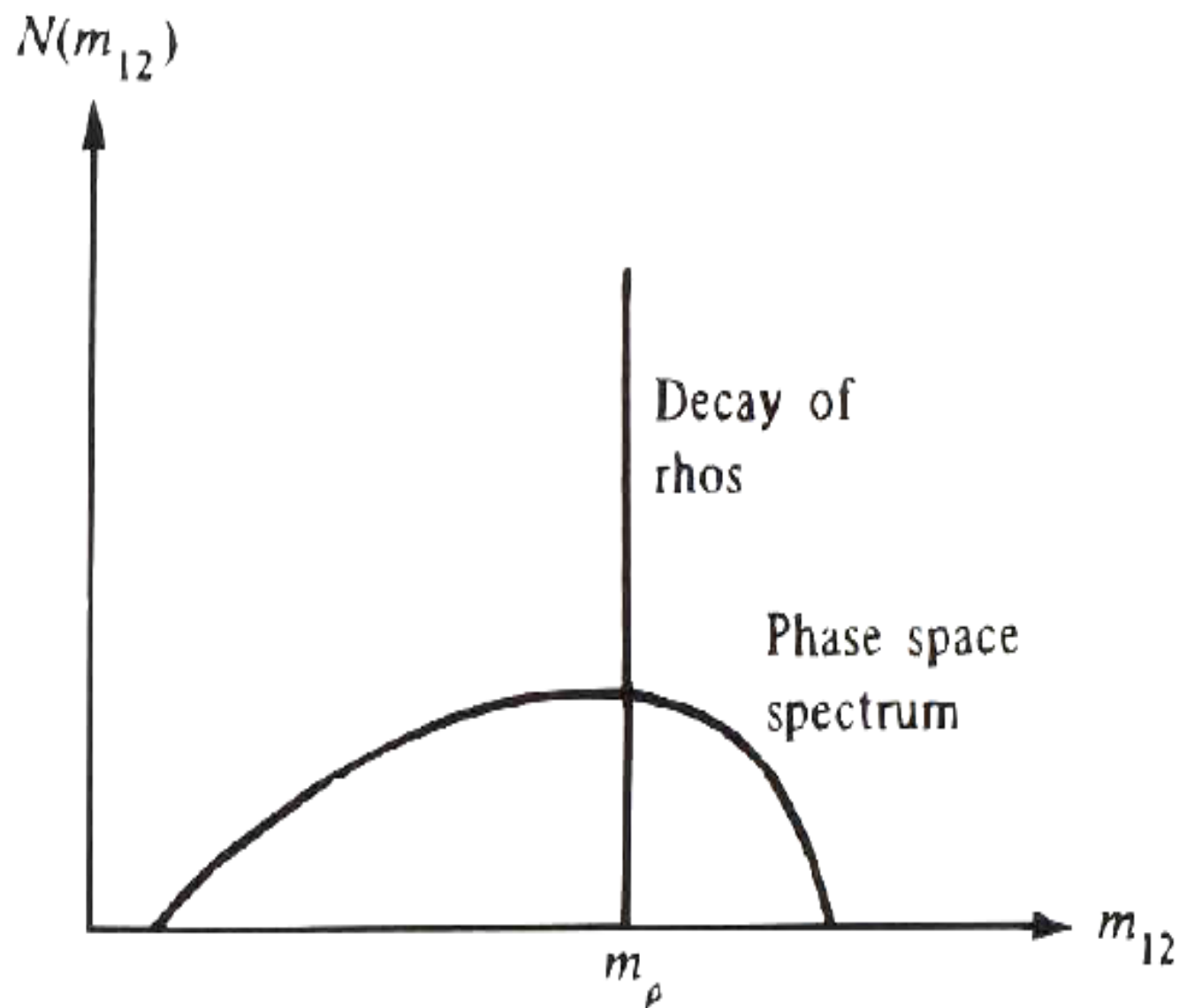


Figure 5.11: Invariant mass spectrum if pion pairs are produced independently (phase space) or if they result from the decay of a rho of small decay width.

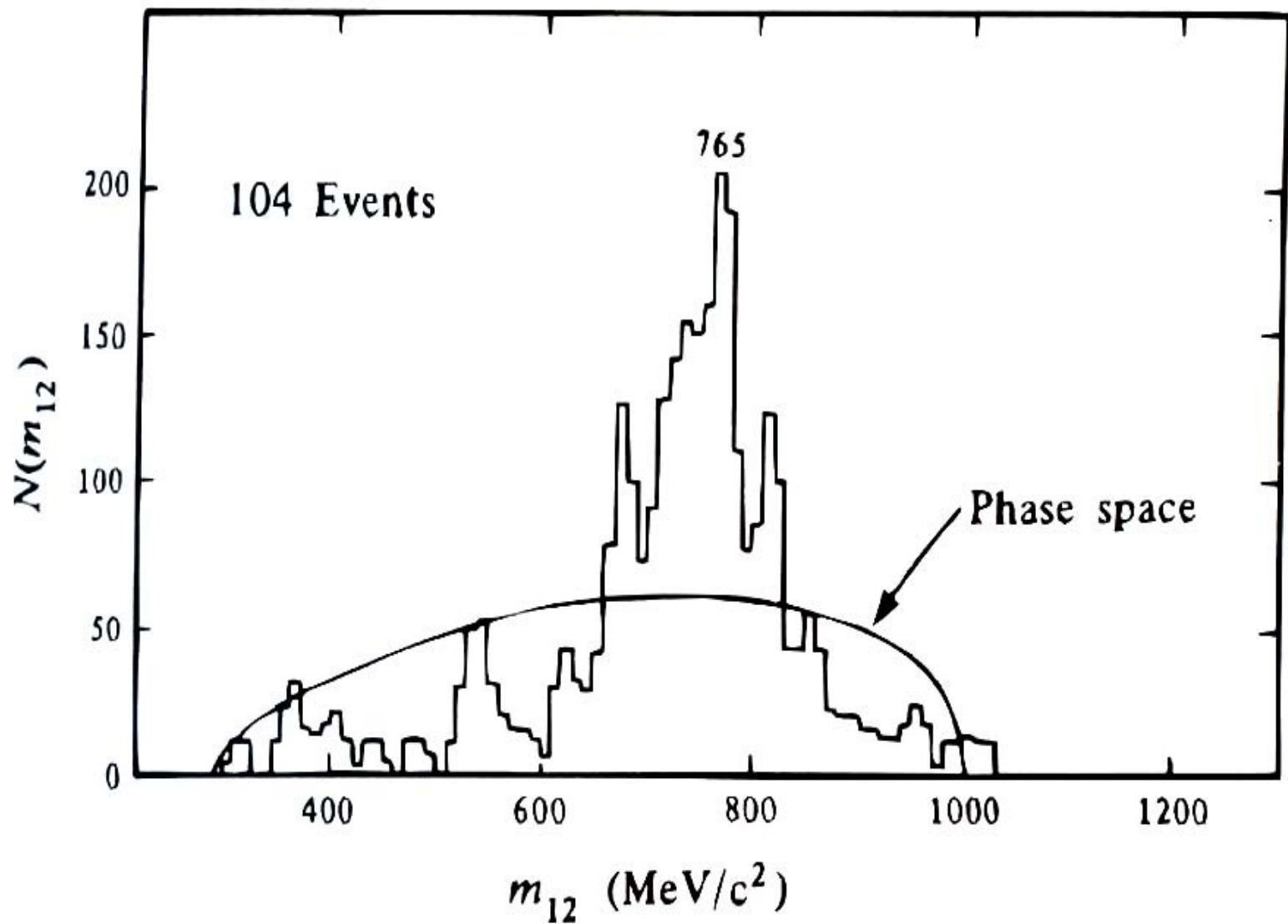


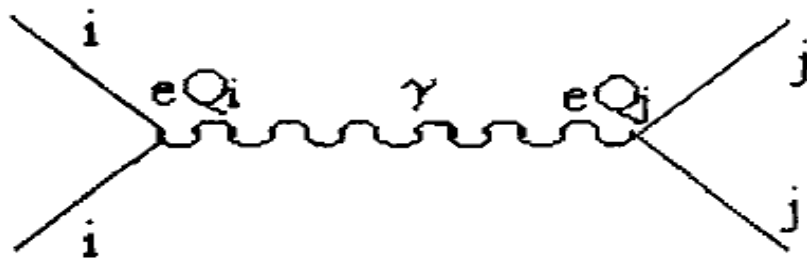
Figure 5.12: Invariant mass spectrum of the two pions produced in the reaction $p\pi^- \rightarrow n\pi^+\pi^-$. [After A. R. Erwin, R. March, W. D. Walker, and E. West, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **6**, 628 (1961).]

Electromagnetic Force Between 2 Electrically Charged Particles

We deal with electrically neutral atoms.

Mediator of the electromagnetic force is electrically neutral massless spin 1 photon, the quantum of the electromagnetic field.

Exchange of photon gives the electric potential:



$$V_{ij}^e = \frac{e^2 Q_i Q_j}{4\pi r}, r = |\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|$$

For an electron and proton

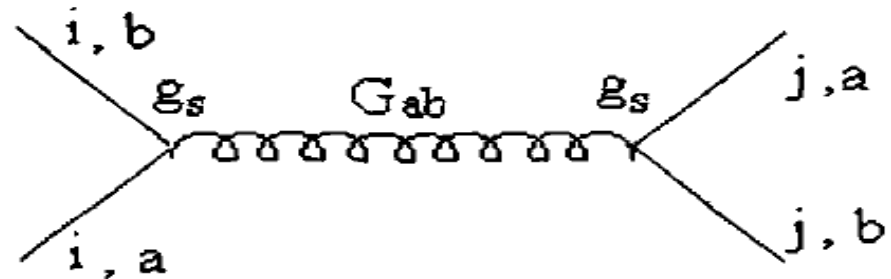
$$V_{ij} = -\frac{\alpha}{r}, \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$$

Strong Color Force Between 2 Quarks

We deal with color singlet systems i.e. hadrons.

Mediators are eight massless spin 1 color carrying gauge vector bosons, called gluons.

Exchange of gluons gives the color electric potential:



$$V_{ij}^{q\bar{q}} = -\frac{4}{3}\alpha_s \frac{1}{r}, \alpha_s = \frac{g_s^2}{4\pi},$$

for $\bar{q}q$ color singlet system (mesons) while for qqq color singlet system (baryons).

$$V_{ij}^{qq} = -\frac{2}{3}\alpha_s \frac{1}{r}$$

This attractive potential is responsible for the binding of atoms.

The theory here is called quantum electrodynamics (QED).

Due to quantum (radiative) corrections, $\alpha(\sqrt{Q^2})$ increases with increasing momentum transfer Q^2 , for example

$$\alpha(m_e) \approx \frac{1}{137},$$
$$\alpha(m_W) \approx \frac{1}{128}$$

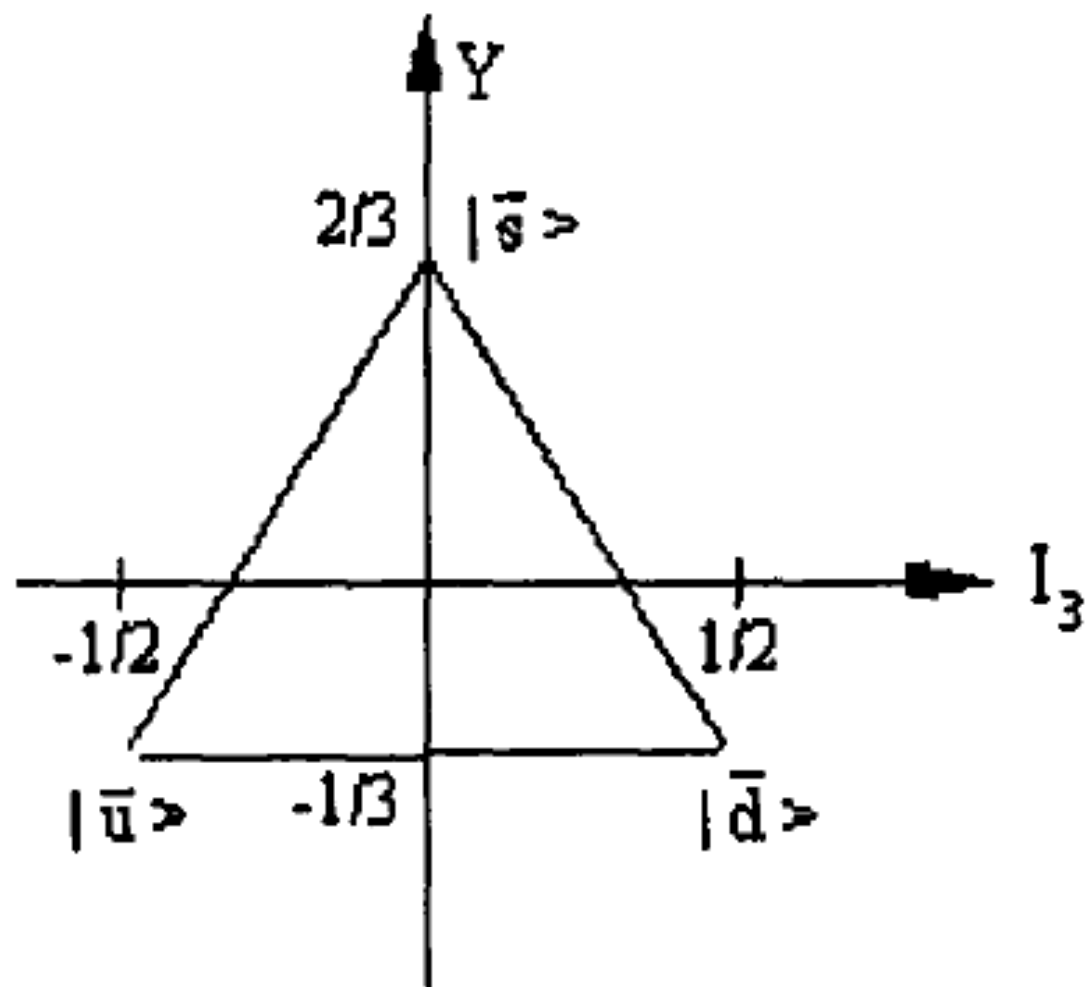
Note the very important fact that in both cases, we get an attractive potential. Without color, V_{ij}^{qq} would have been repulsive.

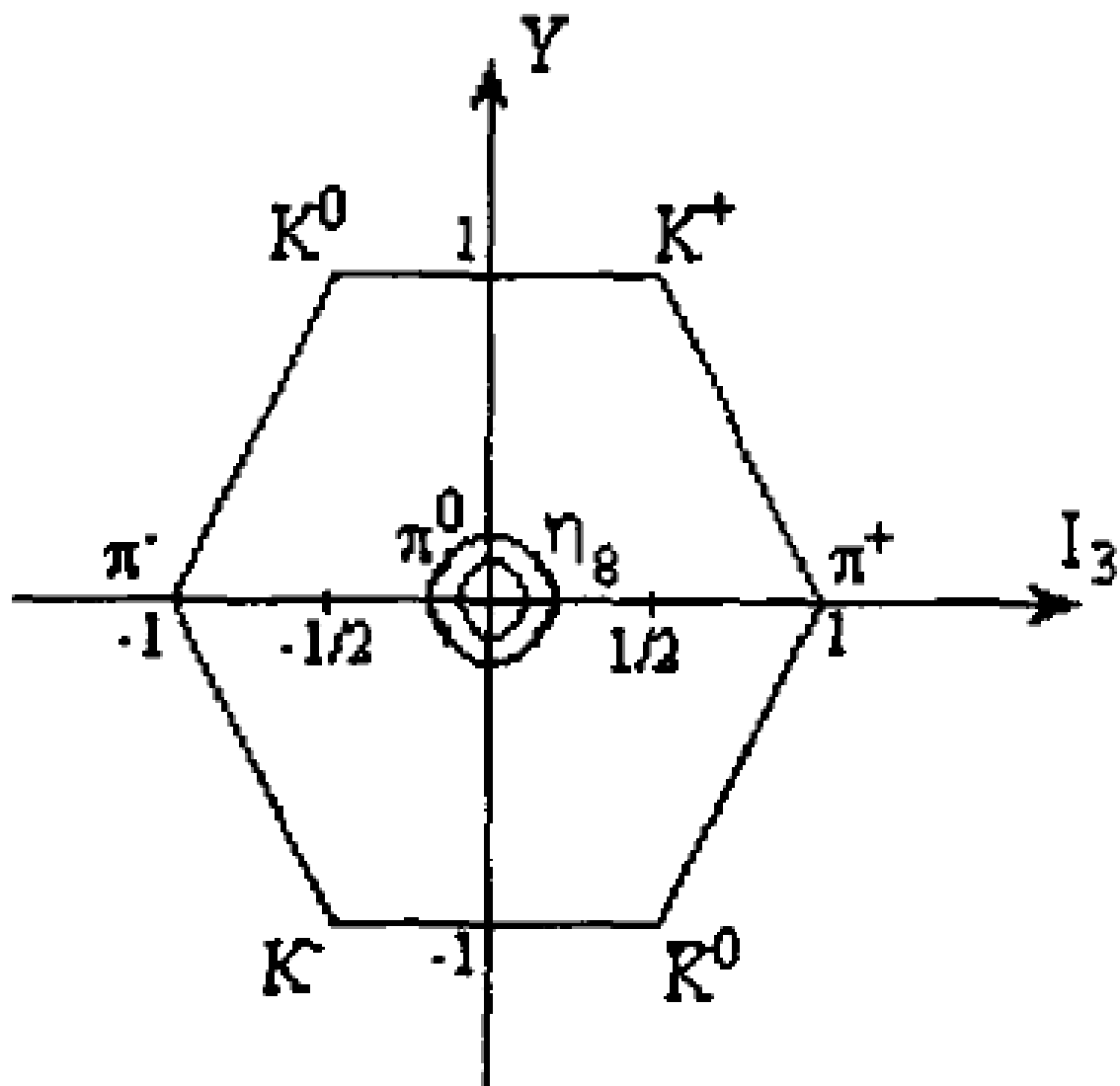
The theory here is called quantum chromodynamics (QCD).

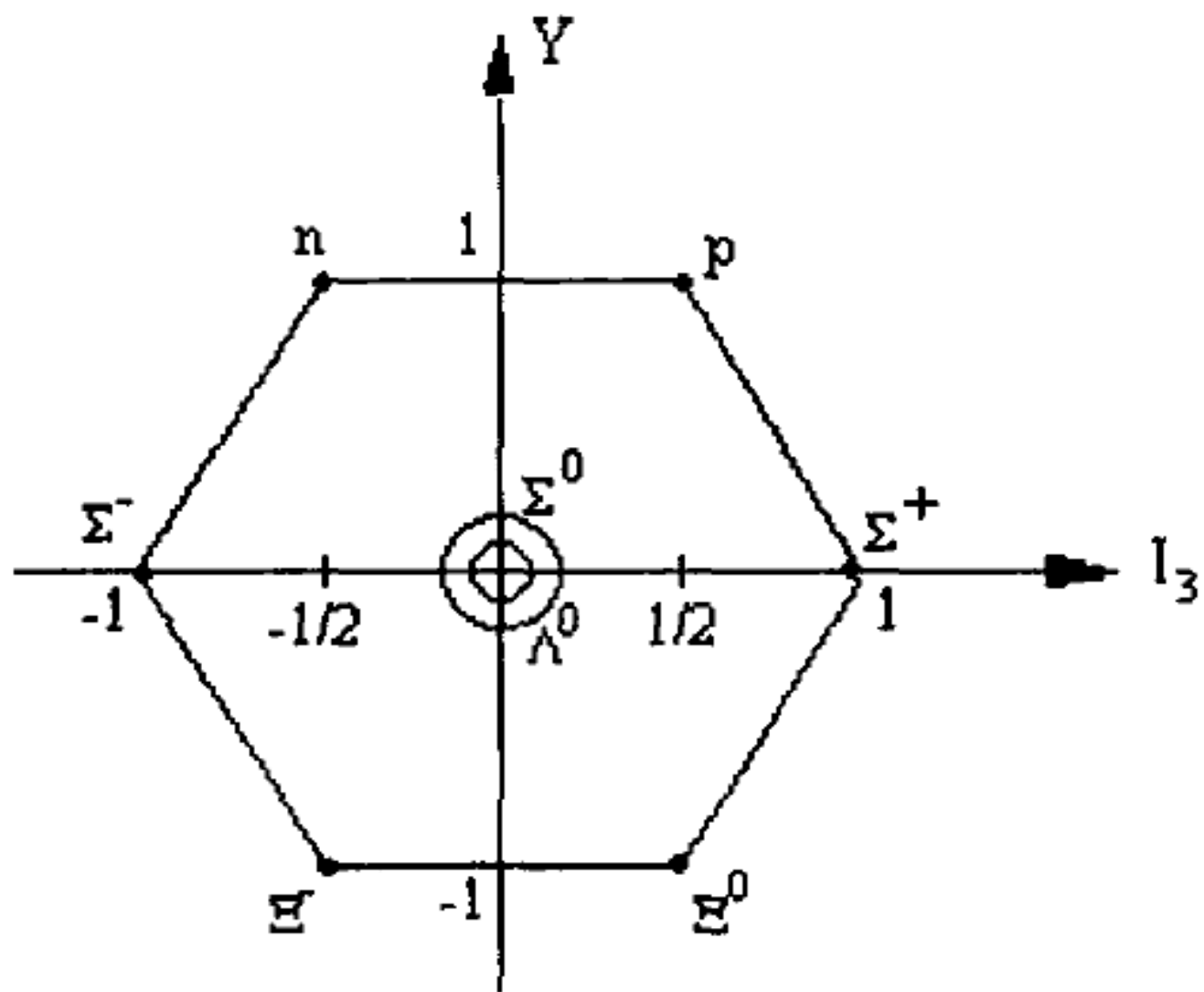
Due to quantum (radiative) corrections, $\alpha(\sqrt{Q^2})$ decreases with increasing Q^2 [this is brought about by the self interaction of gluons (cf. Table 1)], for example

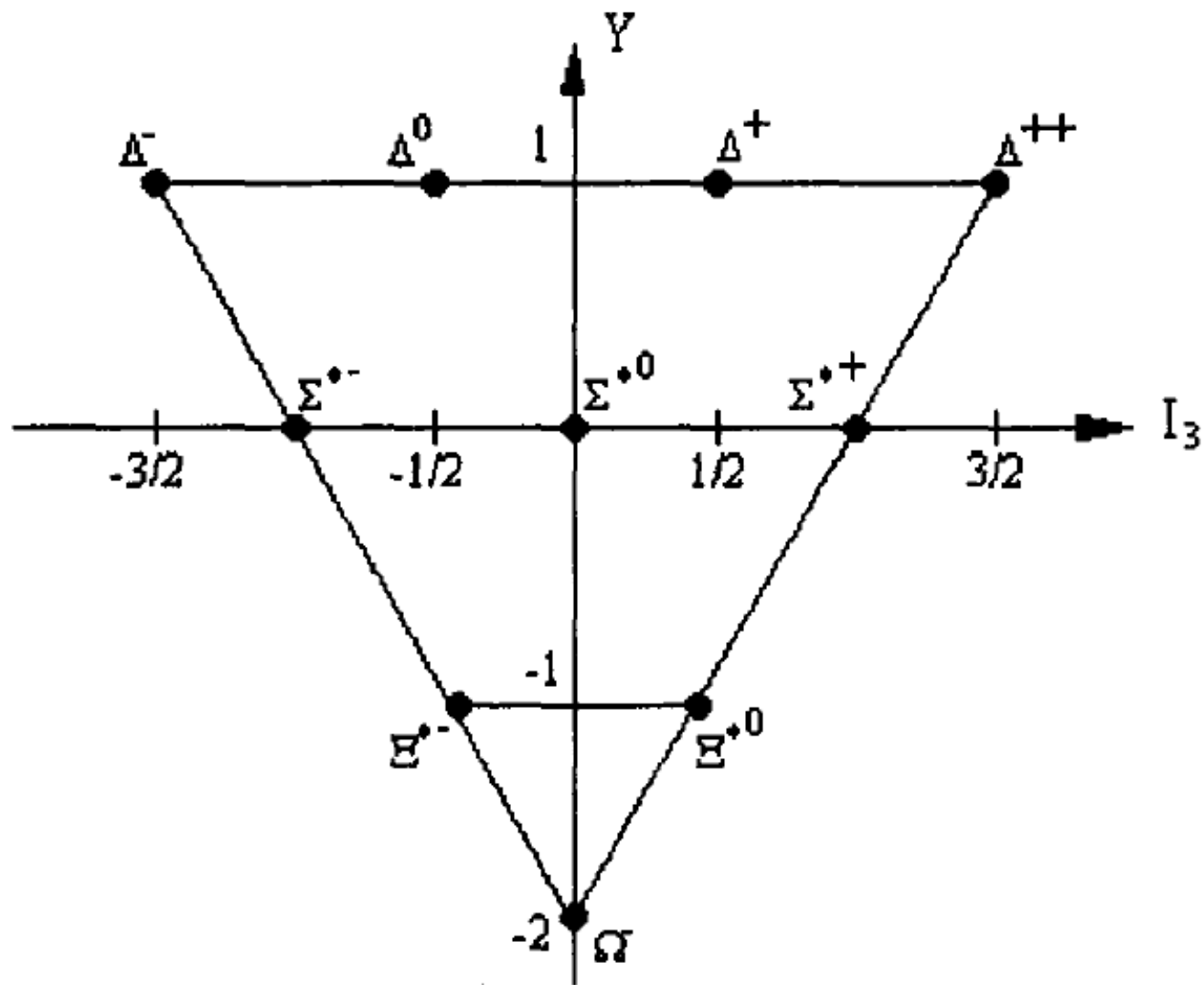
$$\alpha(m_\tau) \approx 0.35,$$
$$\alpha_s(m_\Upsilon \simeq 10 \text{ GeV}) \approx 0.16,$$
$$\alpha_s(m_Z) \approx 0.125.$$

That the effective coupling constant decreases at short distances is called the asymptotic freedom property of QCD.









History of the Universe

