

Light-cone distribution amplitudes of pion and kaon from the **Heavy-quark OPE** method



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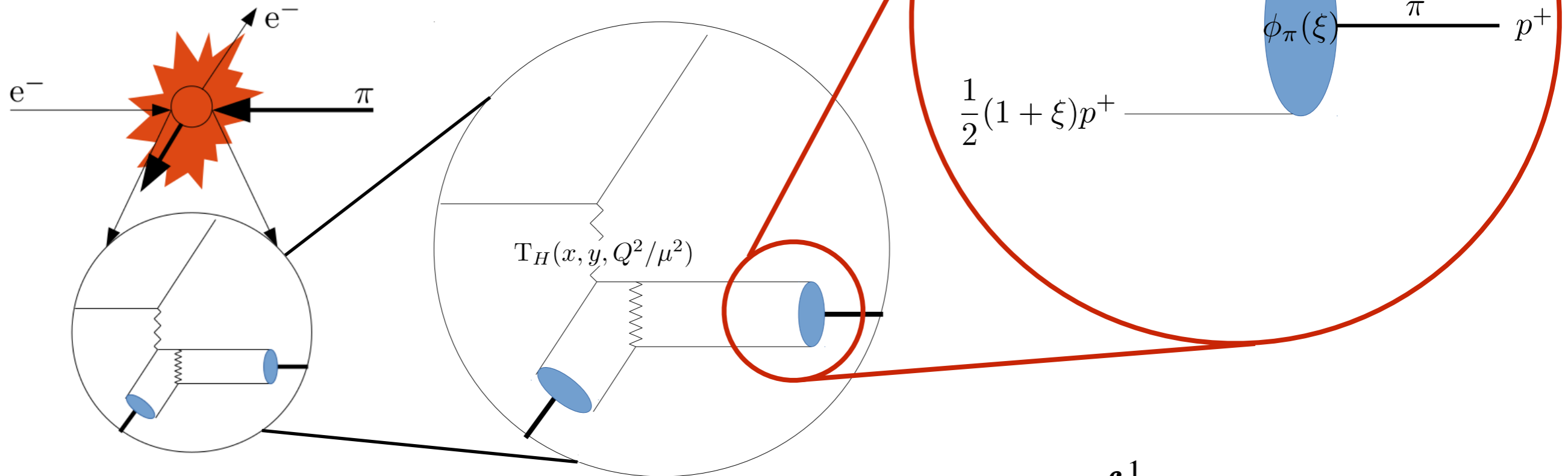
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Phenomenological relevance: Exclusive process

$$F_\pi(Q^2) = \int_{-1}^1 dx dy \phi_\pi(y, Q^2) T_H(x, y, Q^2) \phi_\pi(x, Q^2)$$



$$\langle \Omega | \bar{\psi}(z_-) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 W[z_-, -z_-] \psi(-z_-) | \pi(\mathbf{p}) \rangle = i p_\mu f_\pi \int_{-1}^1 d\xi e^{i\xi p^+ z_-} \phi_\pi(\xi, \mu)$$

Light-cone, challenging for Euclidean lattice

$$\text{Extremely high } Q^2 \Rightarrow F_\pi(Q^2) = \frac{16\pi\alpha_s(Q^2)}{Q^2} f_\pi^2 \int dx dy \phi_\pi(x) \phi_\pi(y), \quad \phi_\pi(\xi) = \frac{3}{4}(1 - \xi^2)$$

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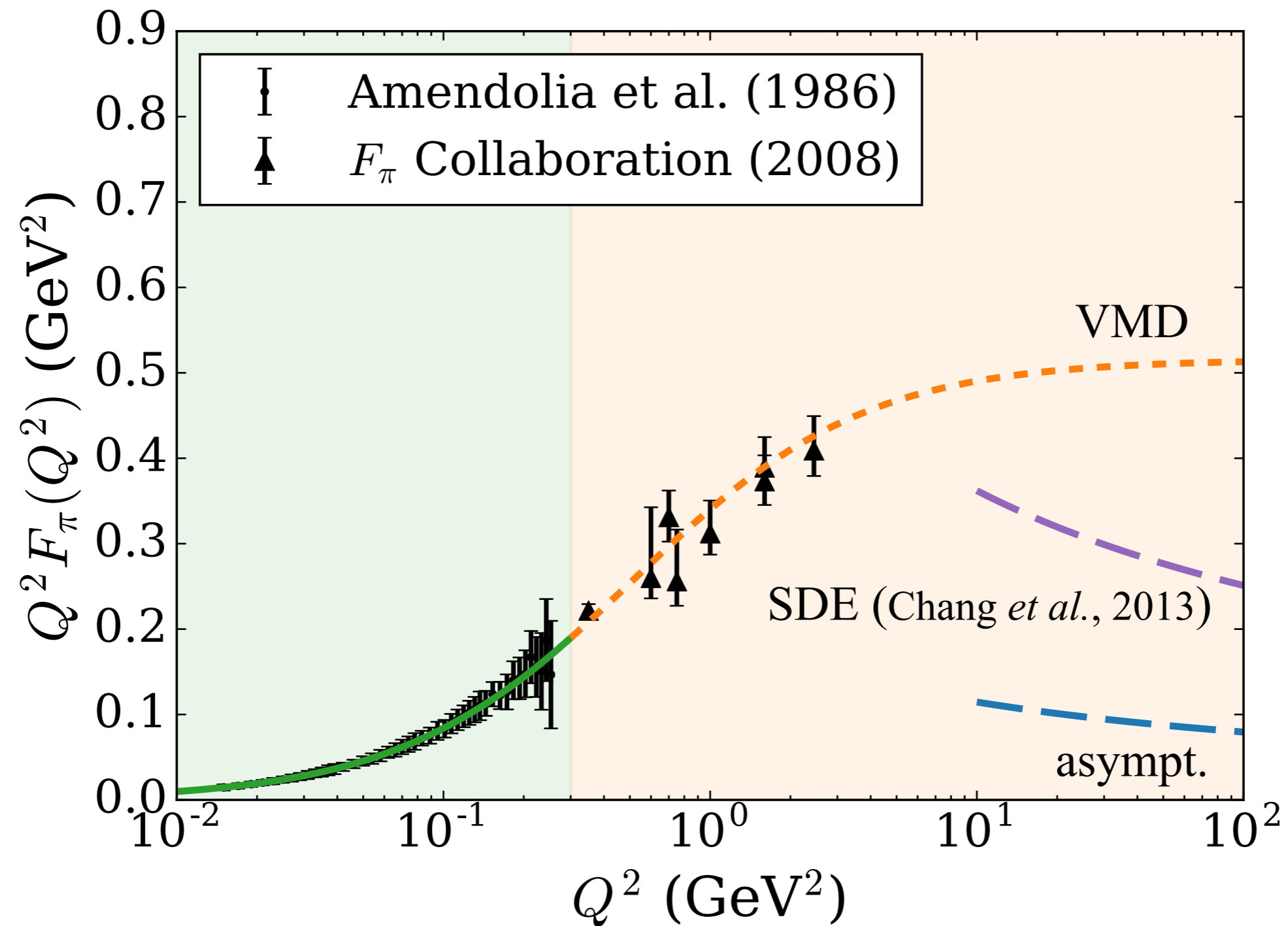
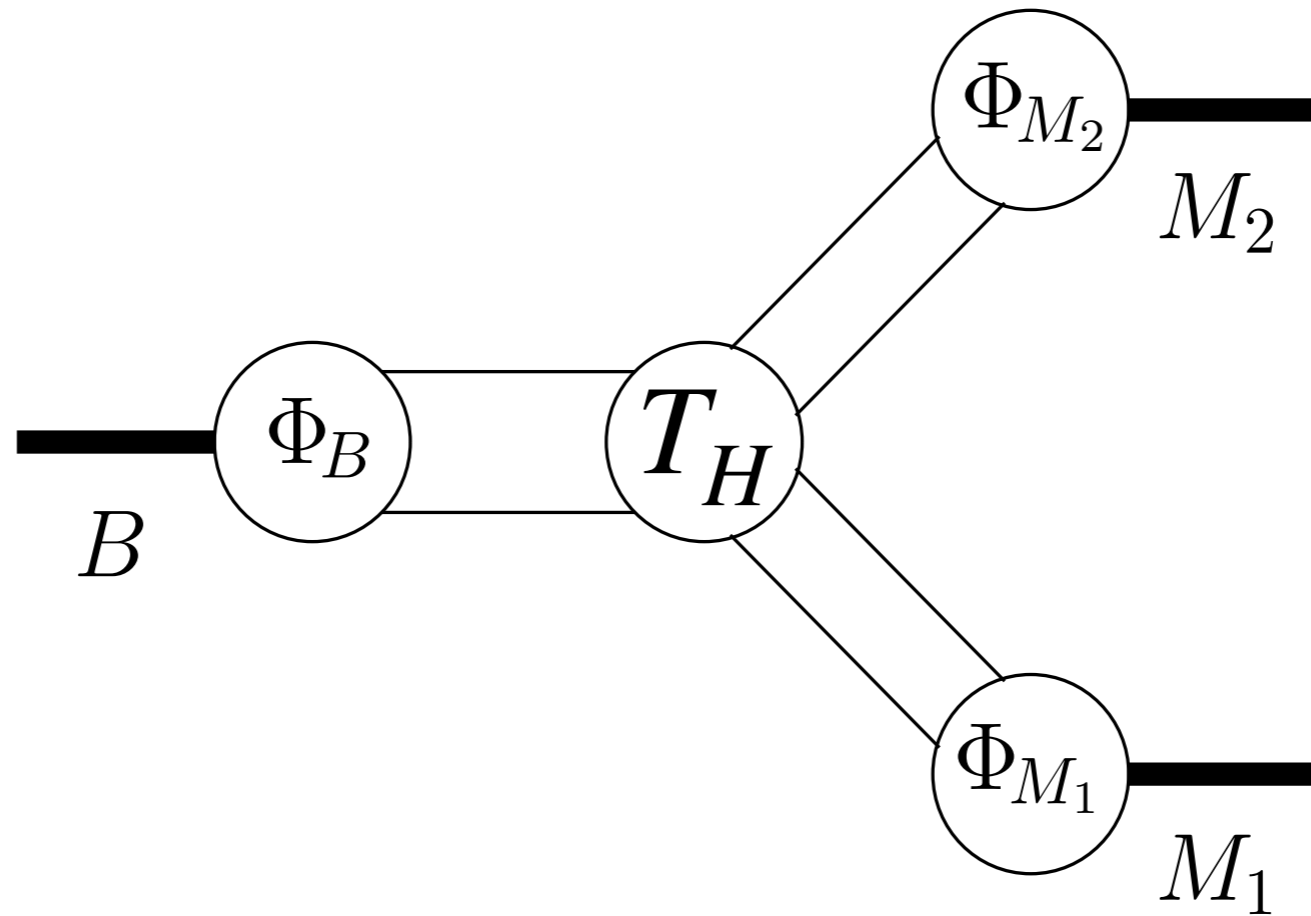


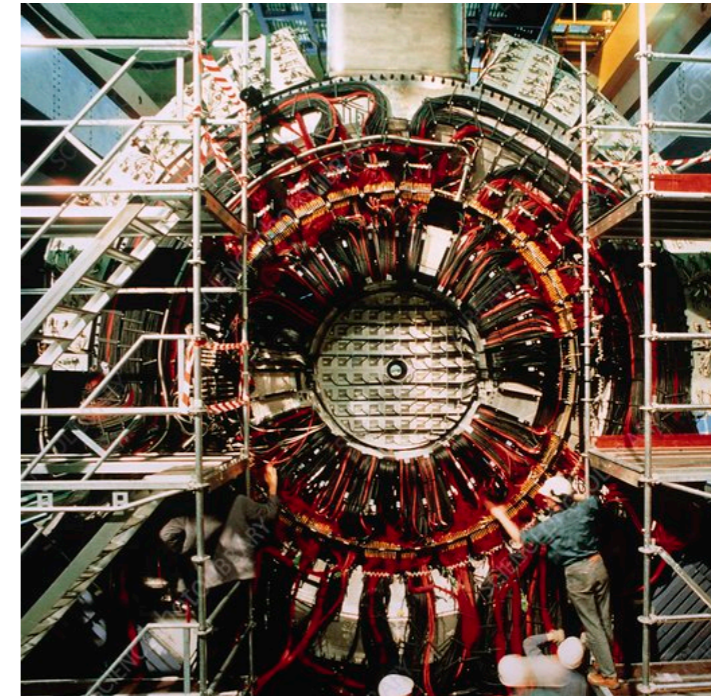
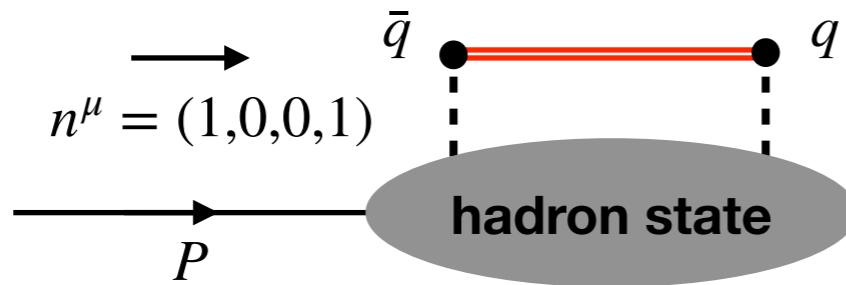
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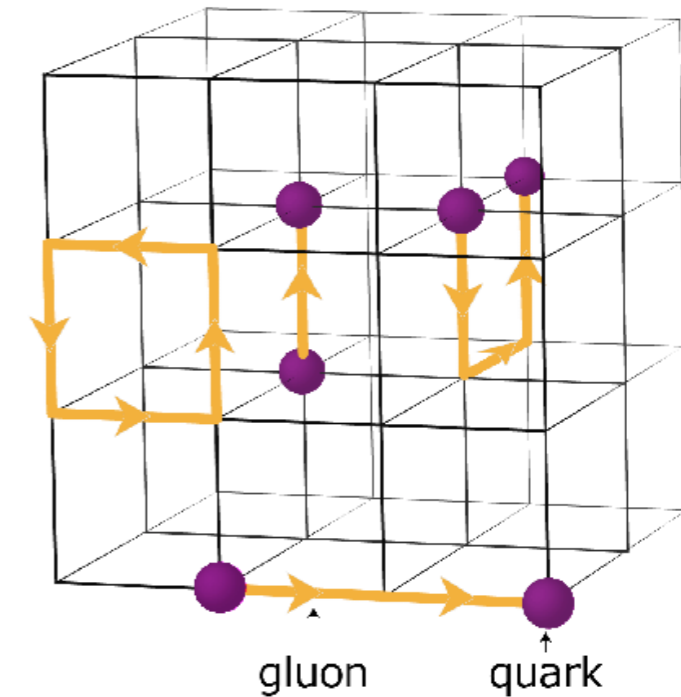
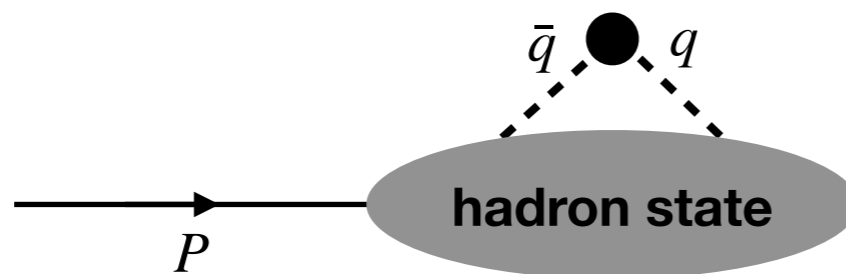
Input for flavour physics



Conventional LQCD approach



light-cone operator product expansion



twist-2 Mellin moments
twist = dim - spin

Conventional LQCD approach

★ Light-cone OPE

$$T[J^\mu(x)J^\nu(0)] = \sum_{i,n} C_i(x^2, \mu^2) x_{\mu_1} \dots x_{\mu_n} \mathcal{O}_i^{\mu\nu\mu_1 \dots \mu_n}(\mu) + \text{higher twists}$$

Twist-2 Mellin moments \Rightarrow parton distribution functions

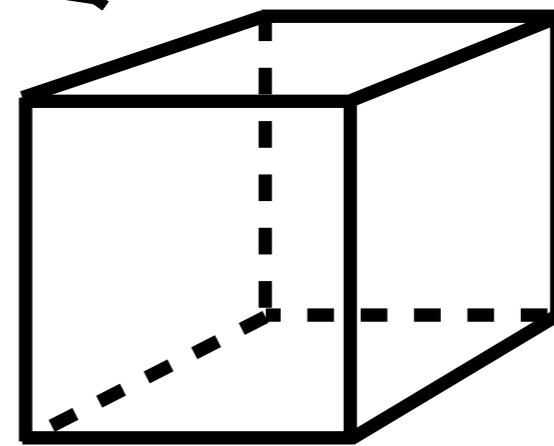
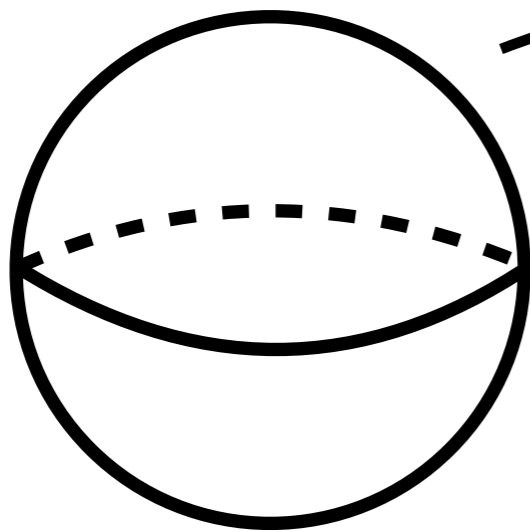
★ The twist-2 operators

$$\mathcal{O}_i^{\nu\mu\mu_1 \dots \mu_n} = \bar{\psi} \Gamma_{i,\nu} D^\mu D^{\mu_1} \dots D^{\mu_n} \psi - \text{traces}$$

Issue with computing the Mellin moments

Continuum

Lattice



SU(2) symmetry

Octahedral symmetry

Twist = Dim - Spin

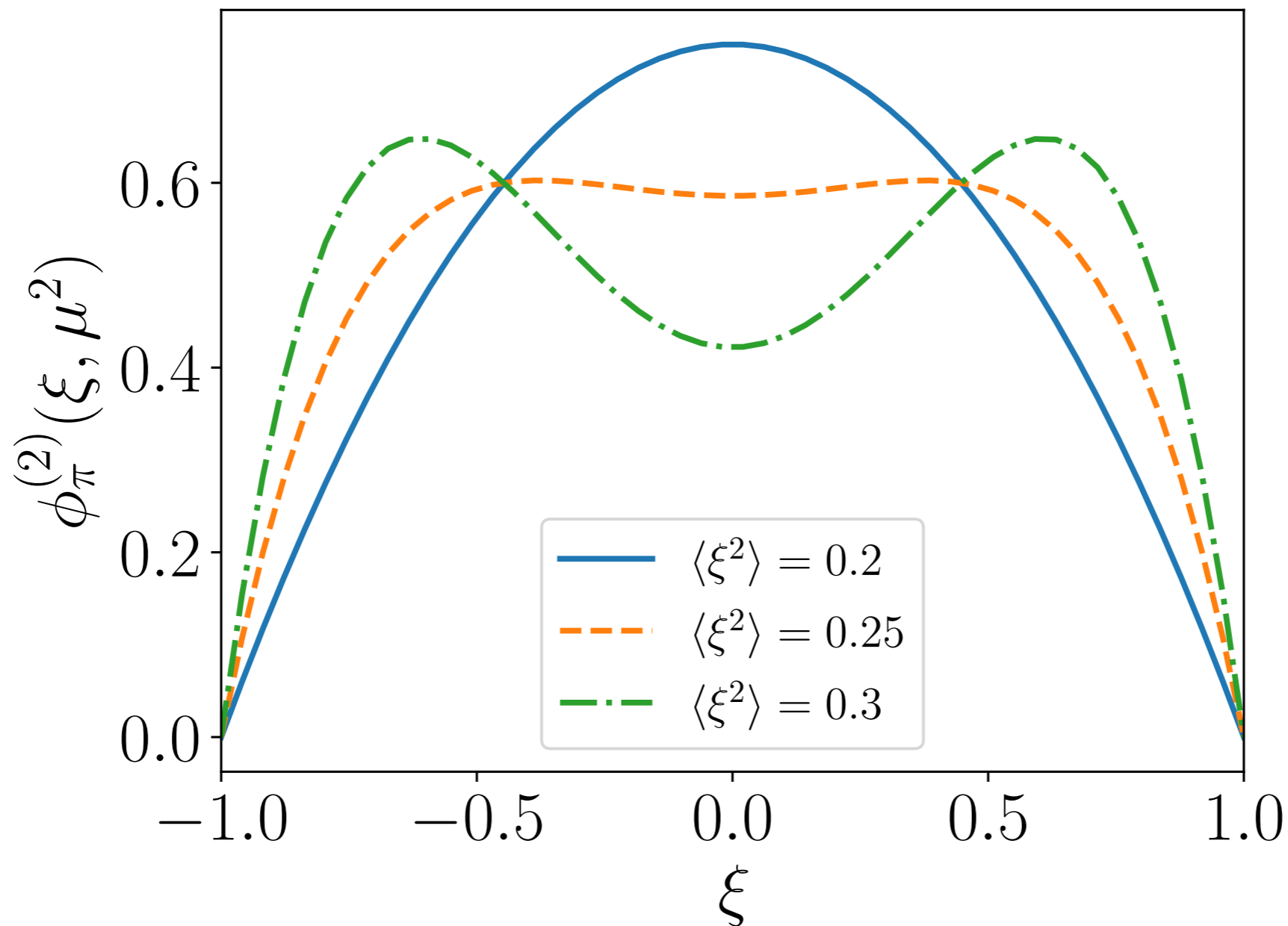
~~Spin~~

Operator mixing under renormalisation, power $(1/a^n)$ divergence

→ Only the first few moments can be extracted in practice

OPE and ξ -dependence

ξ : the fraction of p_π carried by one of the valence quarks (parton limit)

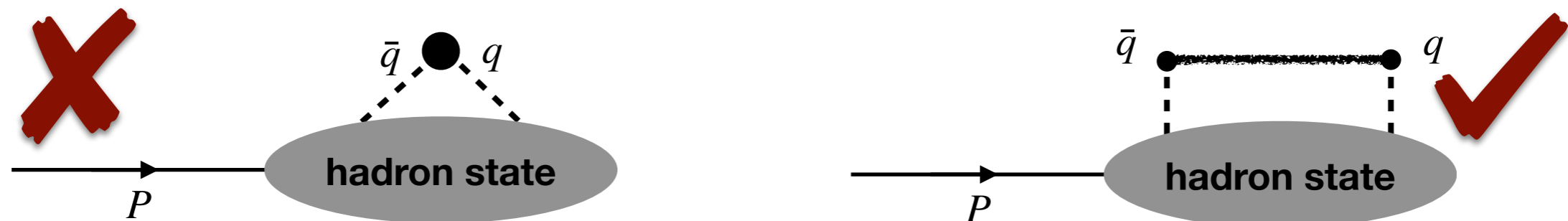


- Power divergence already shows up in LQCD calculation for $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$

Parton distribution from lattice QCD

through *unphysical* non-local operators

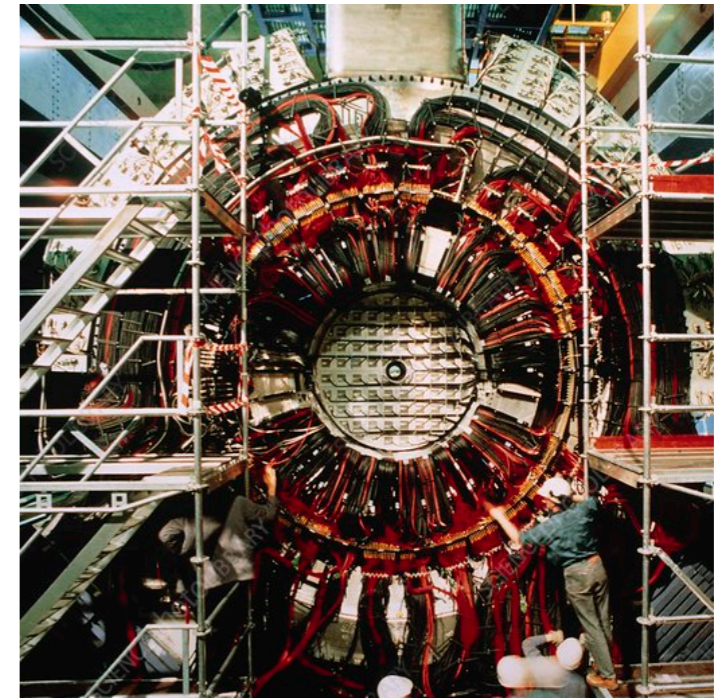
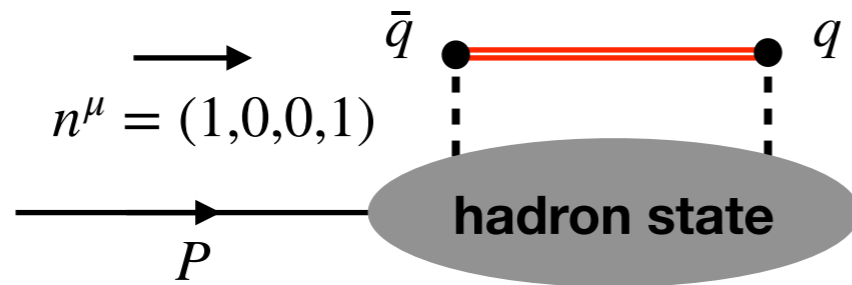
See [C. Dawson *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. B 514 \(1998\)](#) for same idea in kaon physics



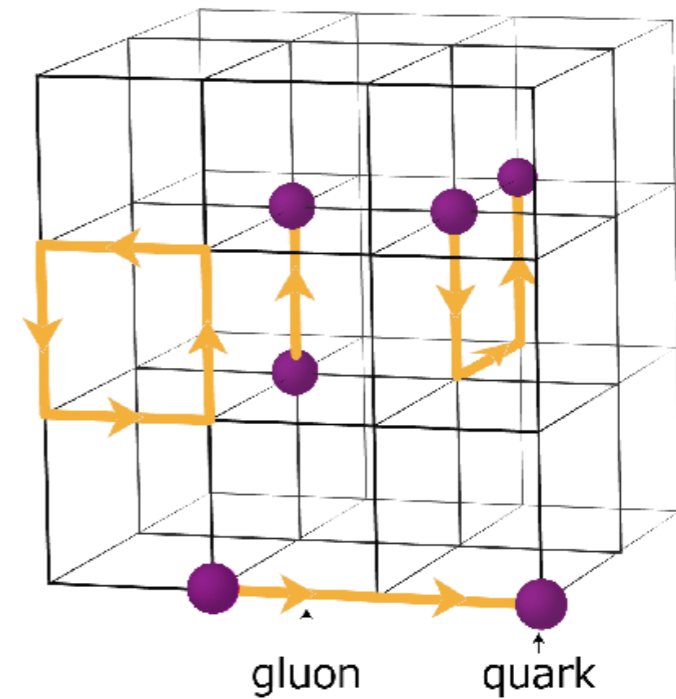
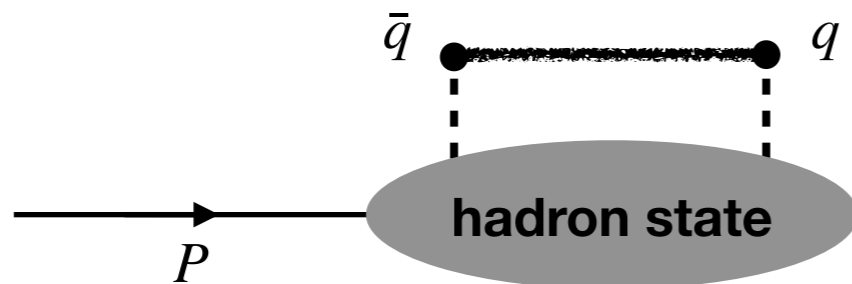
- A space-like Wilson line (quasi-PDF and pseudo-PDF)
[X. Ji, PRL 110 \(2013\)](#); [A. Radyushkin, PRD 96 \(2017\)](#)
- Two currents separated by space-like distance
[V. Braun and D. Mueller, EPJC 55 \(2008\)](#)
- Two flavour-changing currents with valence heavy quark (HOPE method)
[W. Detmold and CJDL, PRD 73 \(2006\)](#)
- More [A. Chambers *et al.*, PRL 118 \(2017\)](#); [Y. Ma & J.-W. Qiu, PRL 120 \(2018\)](#)...

Complementarity discussed in [X. Ji, arXiv:2209.09332](#)

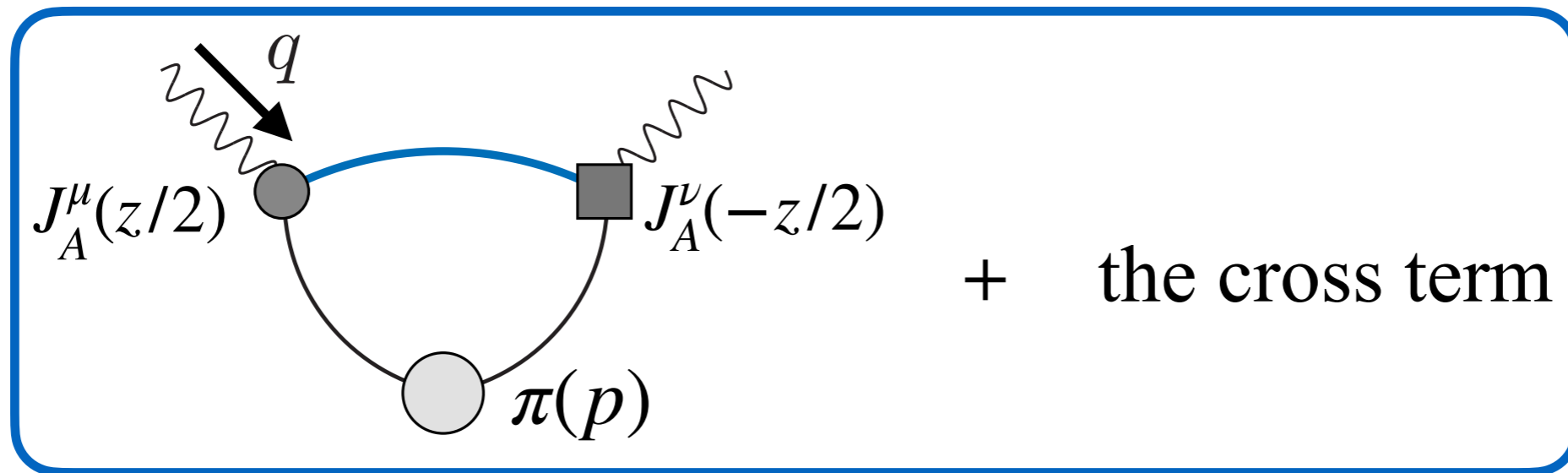
“Novel” LQCD approach



Perturbation theory



HOPE amplitude for computing pion LCDA



See also [S. Brodsky *et al.*, Phys. Lett. B 91 \(1980\)](#)

$$V^{\mu\nu}(p, q) = \int d^4z e^{iq \cdot z} \langle 0 | T[J_A^\mu(z/2) J_A^\nu(-z/2)] | \pi(\mathbf{p}) \rangle$$

$$J_A^\mu = \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi + \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \Psi$$

Ψ is the valence, relativistic heavy quark

$$V^{[\mu\nu]}(p, q) = \frac{1}{2} [V^{\mu\nu}(p, q) - V^{\nu\mu}(p, q)]$$

OPE for HOPE amplitude


$$V^{[\mu\nu]}(p, q) = \frac{2\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q_\alpha p_\beta}{\tilde{Q}^2} \sum_{n \text{ even}}^{\infty} \frac{\zeta^n \mathcal{C}_n^2(\eta)}{2^n (n+1)} C_W^{(n)}(\tilde{Q}^2) f_\pi \langle \xi^n \rangle + \mathcal{O}(1/\tilde{Q}^3)$$

higher-twist

$$\tilde{Q}^2 = q^2 + m_\Psi^2$$

$$\eta = \frac{p \cdot q}{\sqrt{p^2 q^2}}, \quad \zeta = \frac{\sqrt{p^2 q^2}}{\tilde{Q}^2}$$

$\mathcal{C}_n^2(\eta)$: target-mass effect

 tree-level OPE

 one-loop

 fit lattice data

~ Expansion in powers of $\tilde{\omega} = \frac{2p \cdot q}{\tilde{Q}^2}$

Lattice technical issues

- Need large pion momentum for high moments
- Strategies for enhancing sensitivity to high moments

$$\tilde{\omega} = \frac{2p \cdot q}{\tilde{Q}^2} = \frac{2(iE_\pi q_4 - \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q})}{\tilde{Q}^2}$$

⇒ Choose p and q , such that

$\text{Im}(V^{[\mu\nu]}) \sim$ leading moment

$\text{Re}(V^{[\mu\nu]}) \sim$ subleading moment

- Excited-state contamination

Quenched calculation @ $M_\pi \approx 560$ MeV



- Proof-of-principle nature
- 4 lattice spacings: 0.04 to 0.08 fm
- Learn how to control errors
- Good result for $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$
- Reasonable preliminary result for $\langle \xi^4 \rangle$
- 88 Intel KNL nodes @ NYCU & Mare Nostrum in Barcelona

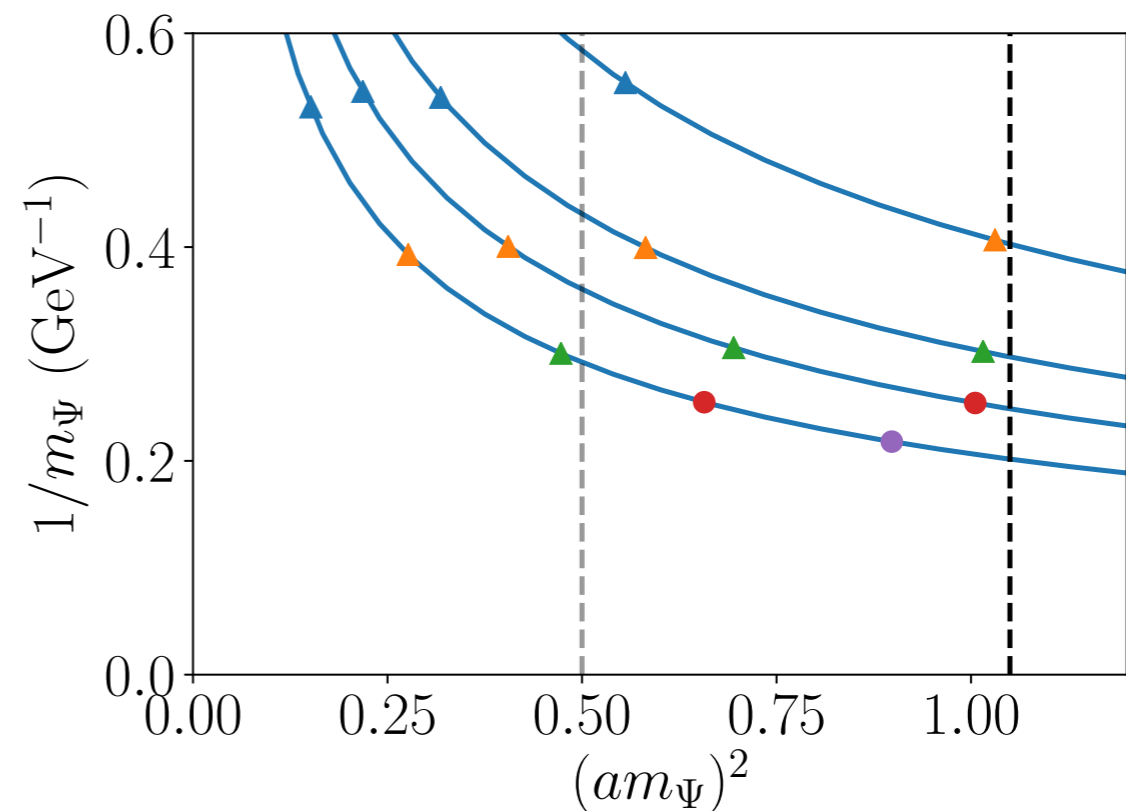


Lattice setting for determining $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$

Wilson plaquette and non-perturbatively improved clover actions

a (fm)	$\hat{L}^3 \times \hat{T}$	N_{config}	N_{src}
0.081	$24^3 \times 48$	650	12
0.060	$32^3 \times 64$	450	10
0.048	$40^3 \times 80$	250	6
0.041	$48^3 \times 96$	341	10

$L \sim 2$ fm



- $\mathbf{p} = (1,0,0)$ $\mathbf{q} = (1/2,0,1)$ in units of $2\pi/L \sim 0.64\text{GeV}$
- $V^{\mu\nu}$ is $O(a)$ improved without improving the axial current

Analysis strategy

★ Momentum space

$$V^{[\mu\nu]}(p, q) \equiv \int d^4z e^{iq \cdot z} \langle 0 | T[J^{[\mu}(z/2)J^{\nu]}(-z/2)] | \pi(\mathbf{p}) \rangle$$

★ Time-momentum representation (TMR)

$$\begin{aligned} R^{[\mu\nu]}(\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) &= \int dz_4 e^{-iq_4 z_4} V^{[\mu\nu]}(p, q) \\ &= \int d^3\mathbf{z} e^{\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{z}} \langle 0 | T[J^{[\mu}(z/2)J^{\nu]}(-z/2)] | \pi(\mathbf{p}) \rangle \end{aligned}$$

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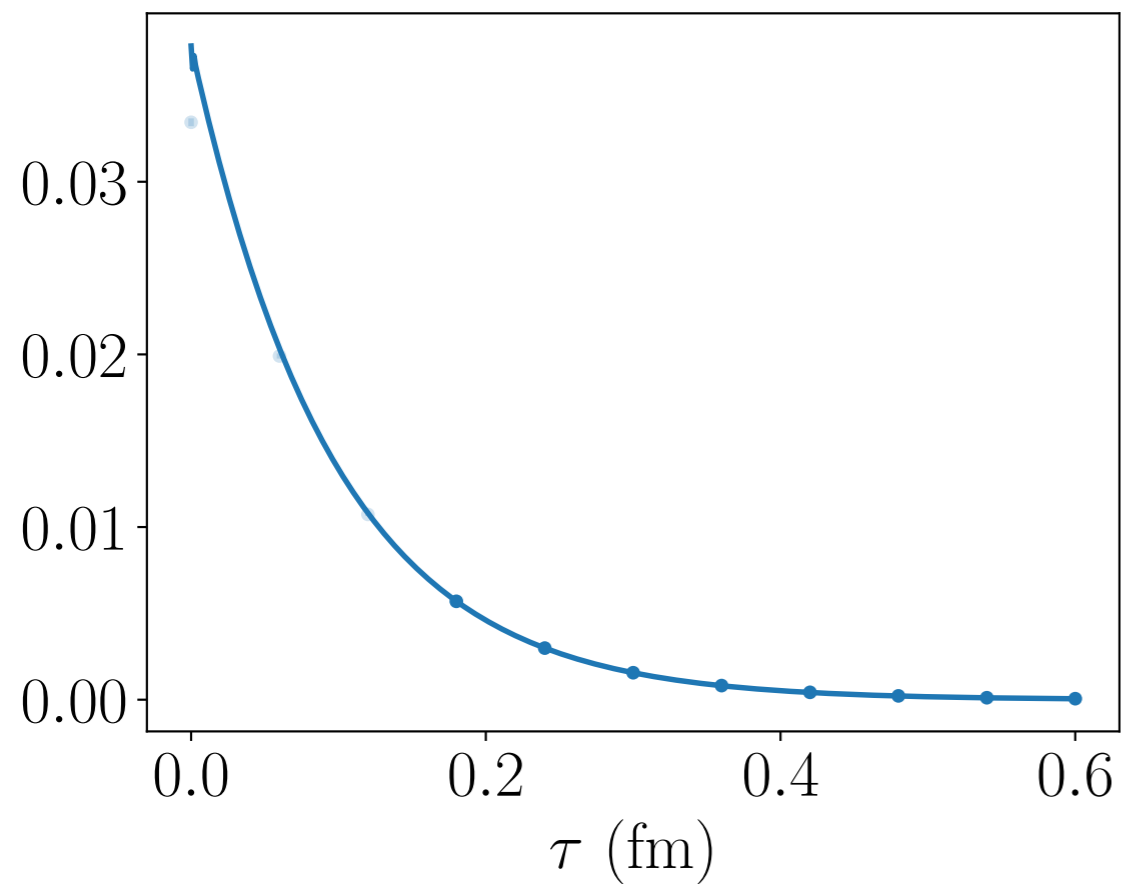
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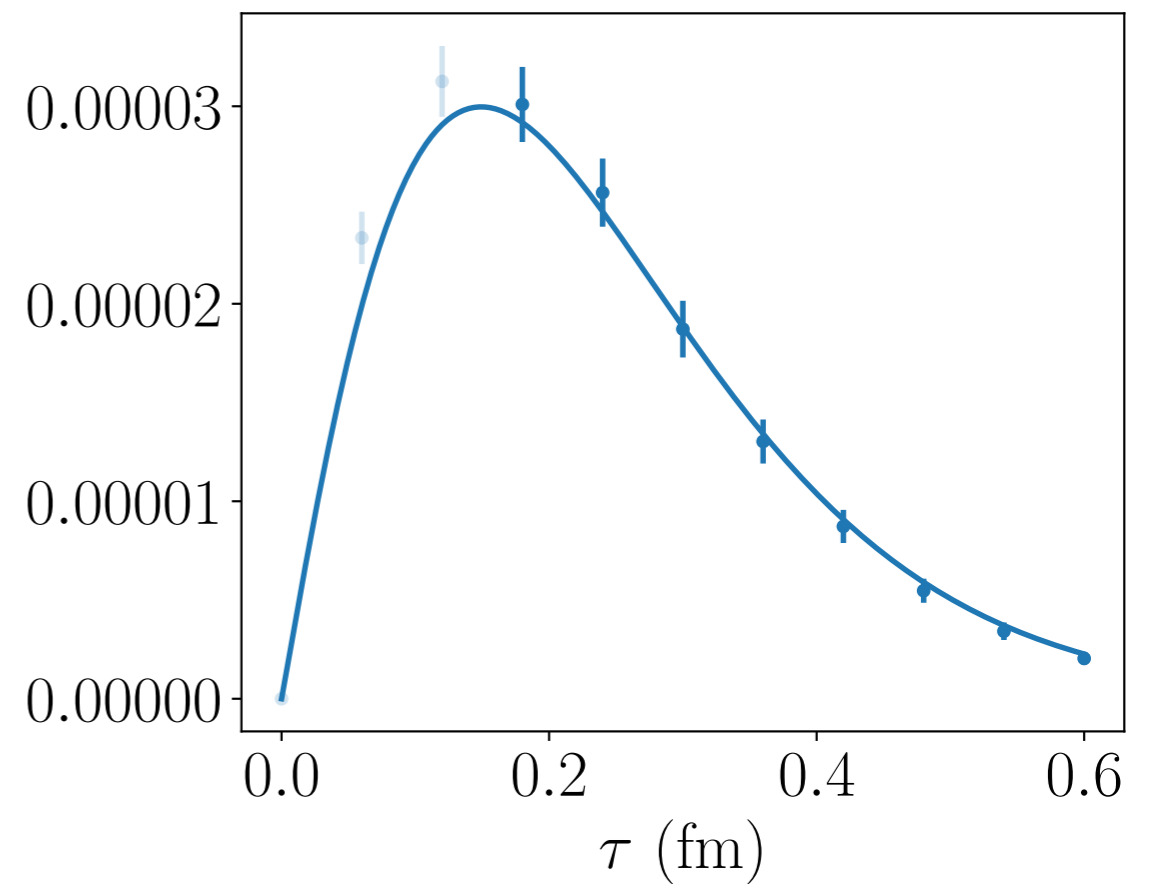
Extracting $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$ from HOPE formula

$\text{Im}\{R^{[\mu\nu]}(\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})\}$ (GeV^2)



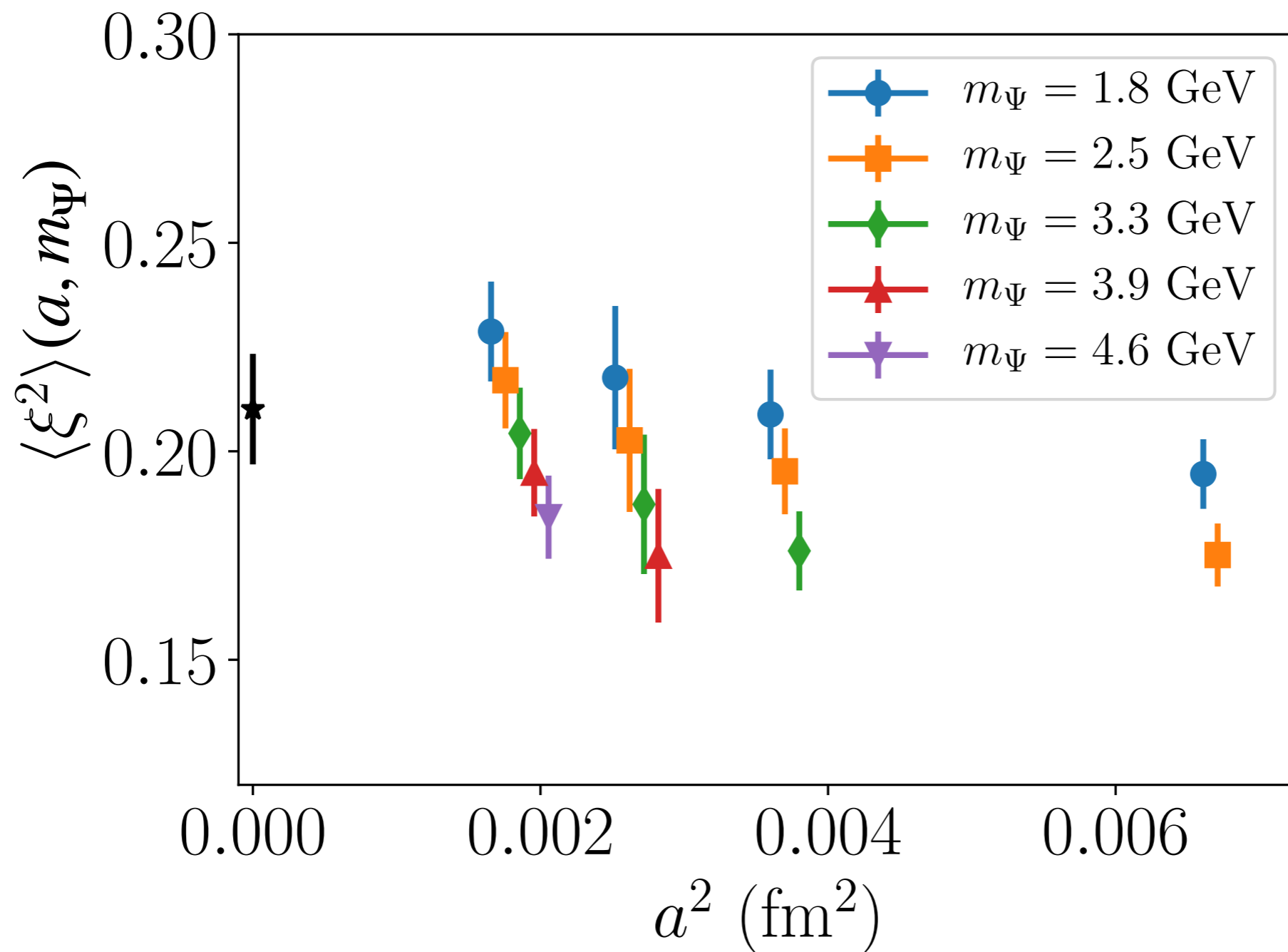
fit f_π and m_Ψ

$\text{Re}\{R^{[\mu\nu]}(\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})\}$ (GeV^2)



fit $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$

Lattice artefacts and higher-twist effects in $\langle \xi^2 \rangle(a, m_\Psi)$



$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle(a, m_\Psi) = \langle \xi^2 \rangle + \frac{A}{m_\Psi} + Ba^2 + Ca^2 m_\Psi + Da^2 m_\Psi^2$$

Our 2021 result for $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$

TMR analysis errors

Source of error	Size
Statistical	0.013
Continuum extrapolation	0.016
Higher-twist	0.025
Excited-state contamination	0.002
Unphysical m_π	0.014
Fit range	0.002
Running coupling	0.008
Total (exc. quenching)	0.036

This work, TMR

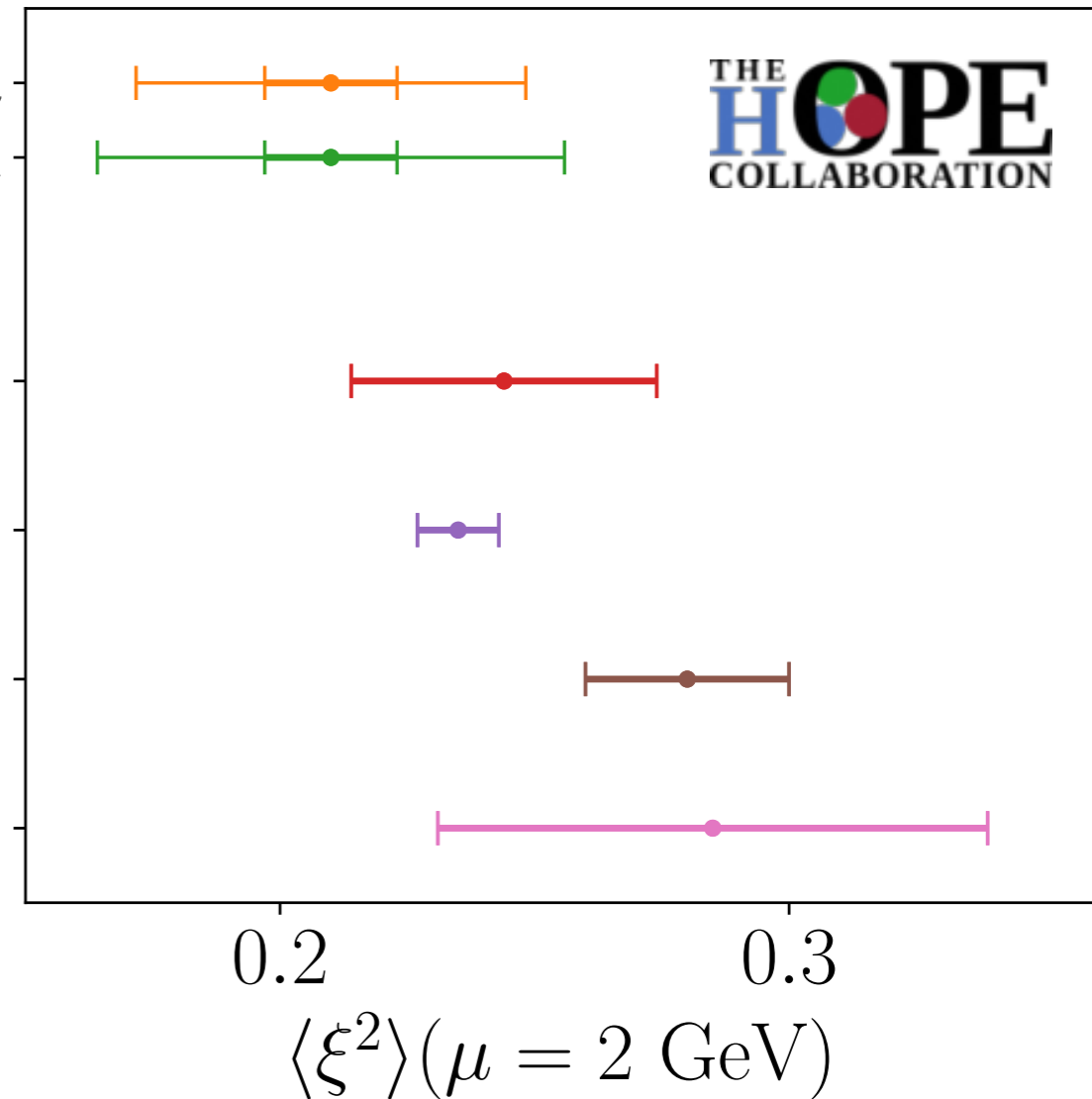
This work, Mom

Zhang et al.
(2020)

Bali et al.
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Arthur et al.
(2011)

Del Debbio et al.
(2003)

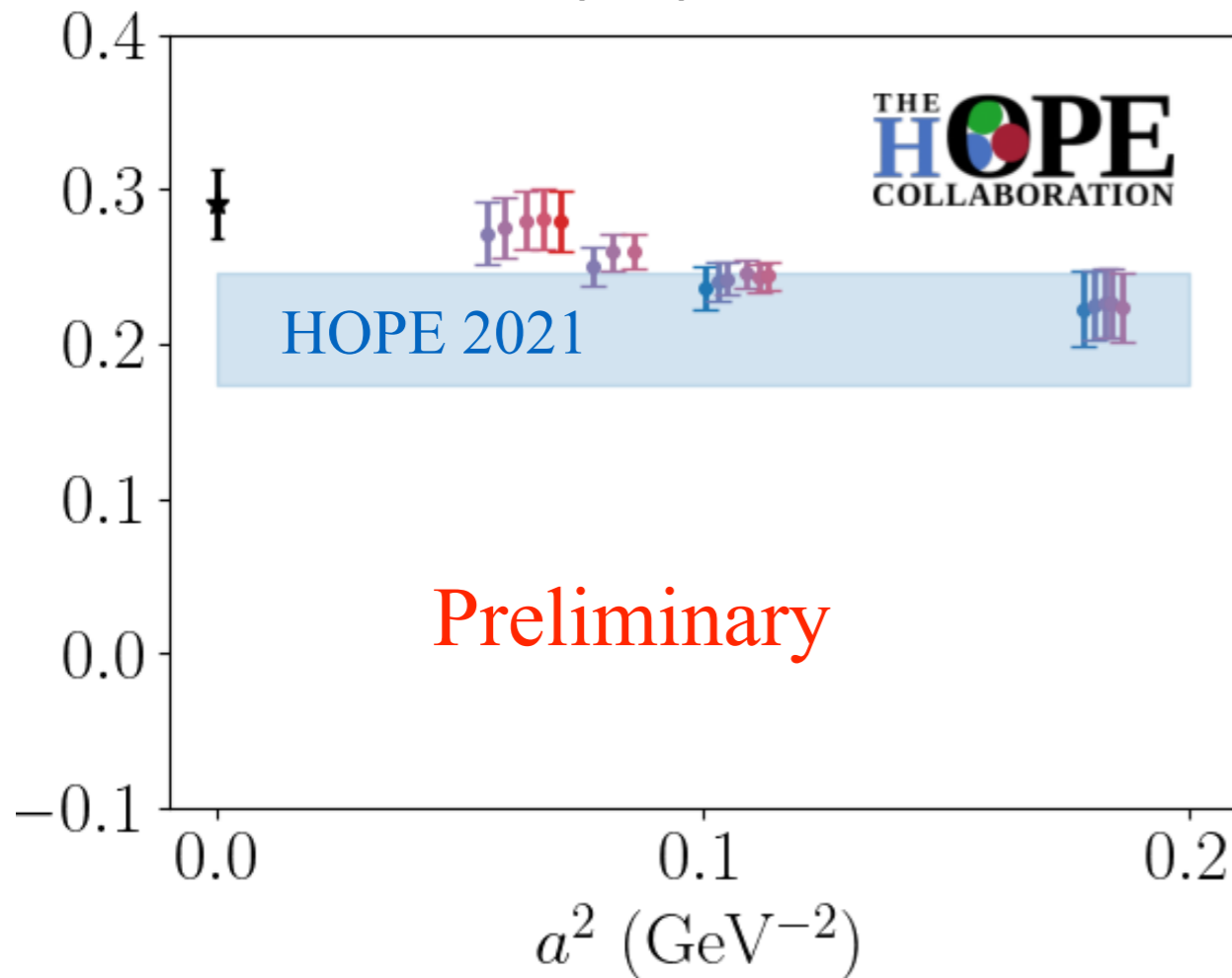


$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\text{TMR}} (\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.210 \pm 0.013 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.034 \text{ (sys.)} = 0.210 \pm 0.036$$

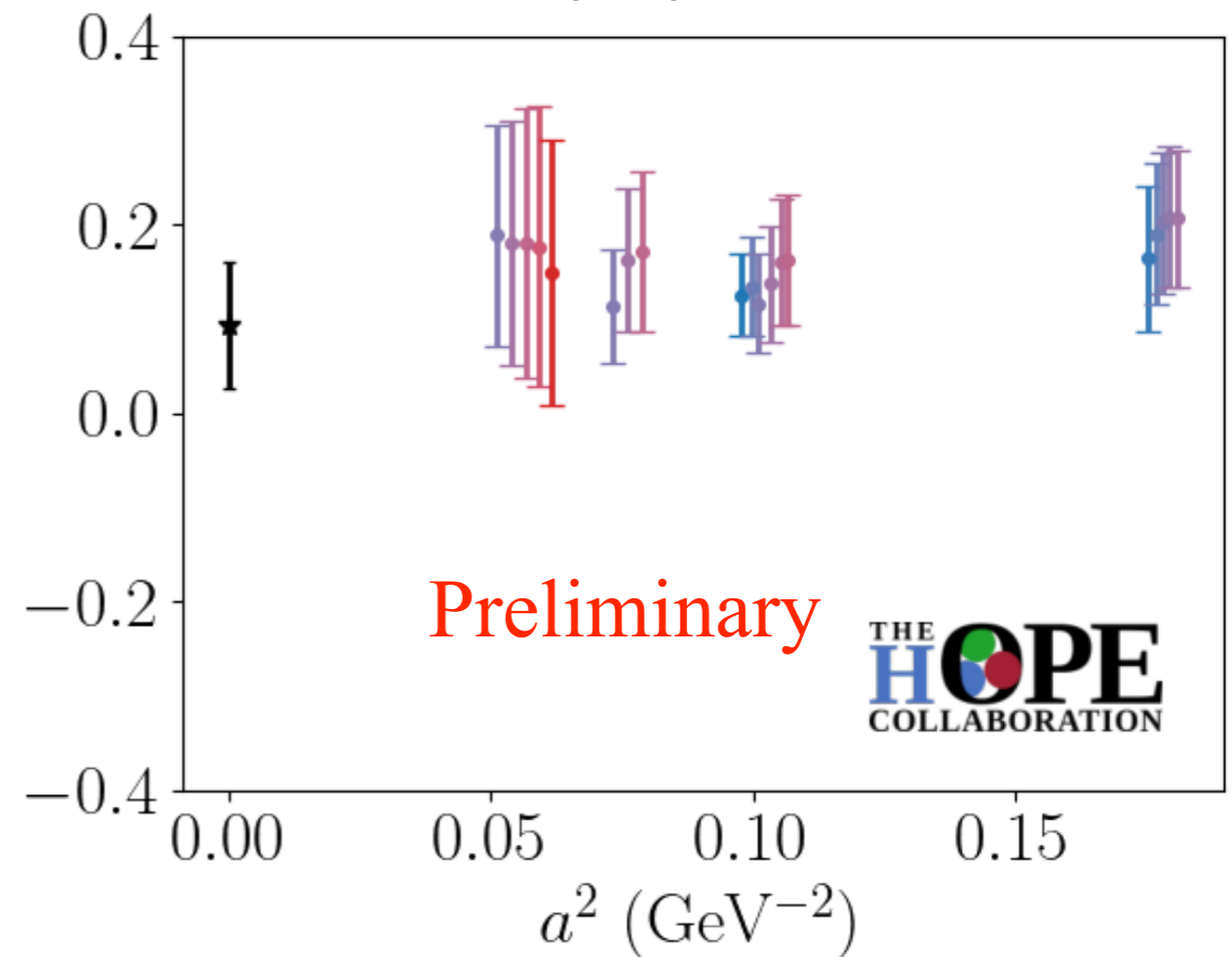
$$\langle \xi^2 \rangle_{\text{Mom}} (\mu = 2 \text{ GeV}) = 0.210 \pm 0.013 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.044 \text{ (sys.)} = 0.210 \pm 0.046$$

Latest status of $\langle \xi^4 \rangle$ calculation

$\langle \xi^2 \rangle$



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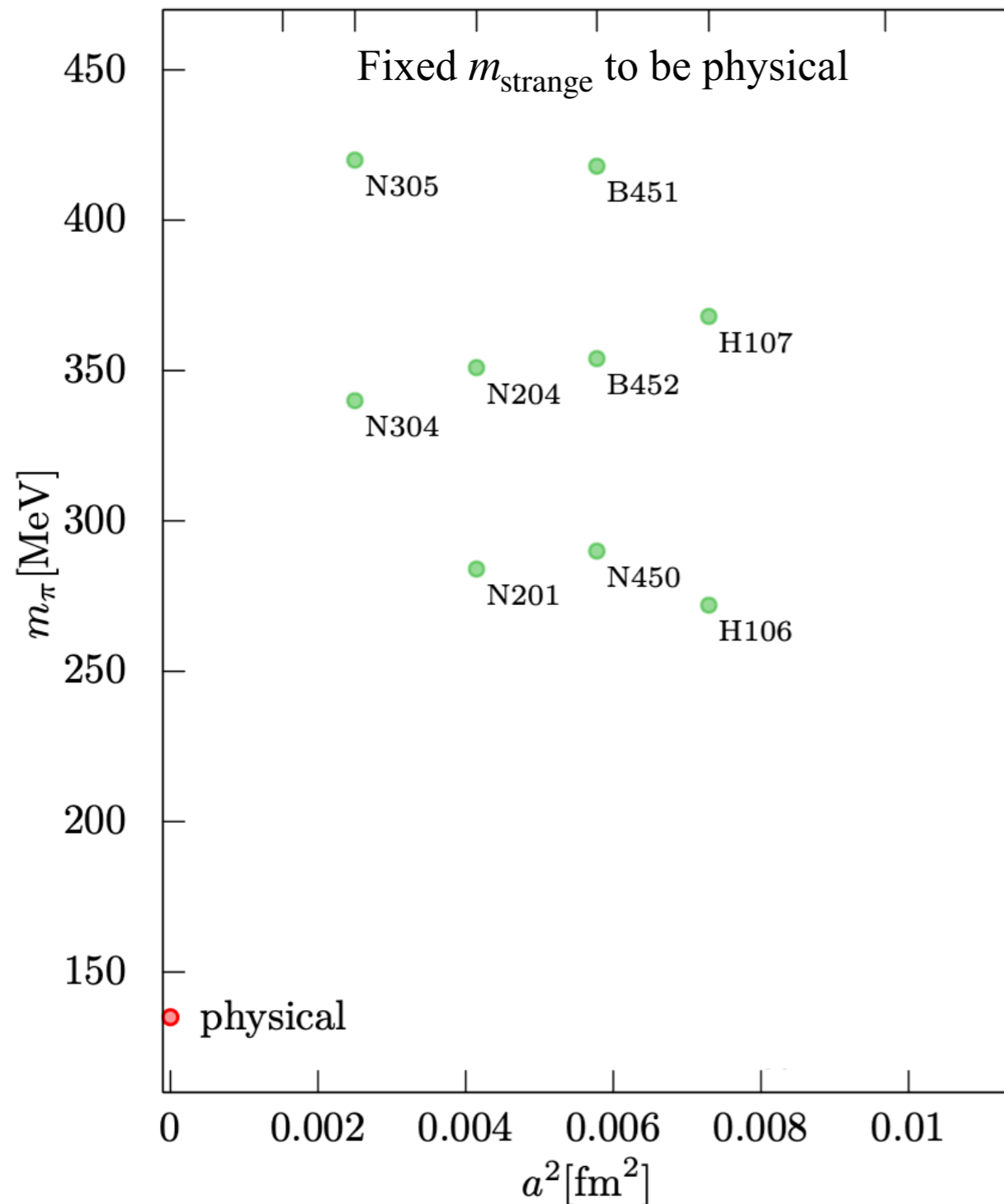


● $\mathbf{p} = (2,0,0)$ and $\mathbf{q} = (1/2,0,1)$ in units of $2\pi/L \sim 0.64\text{GeV}$

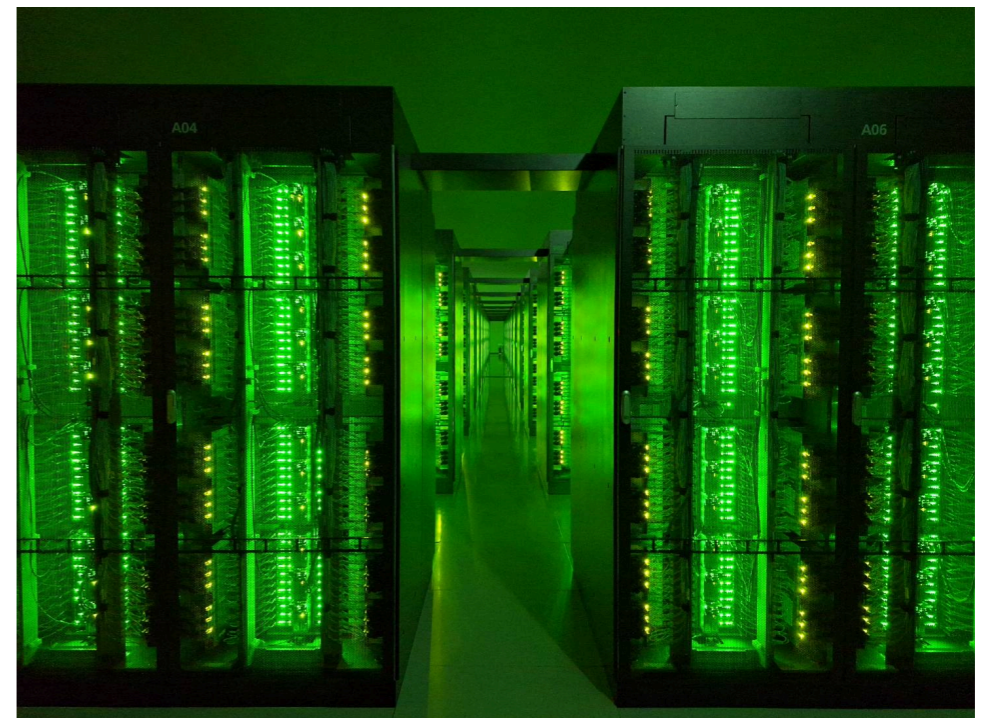
~ 10000 measurements each point

Dynamical calculations

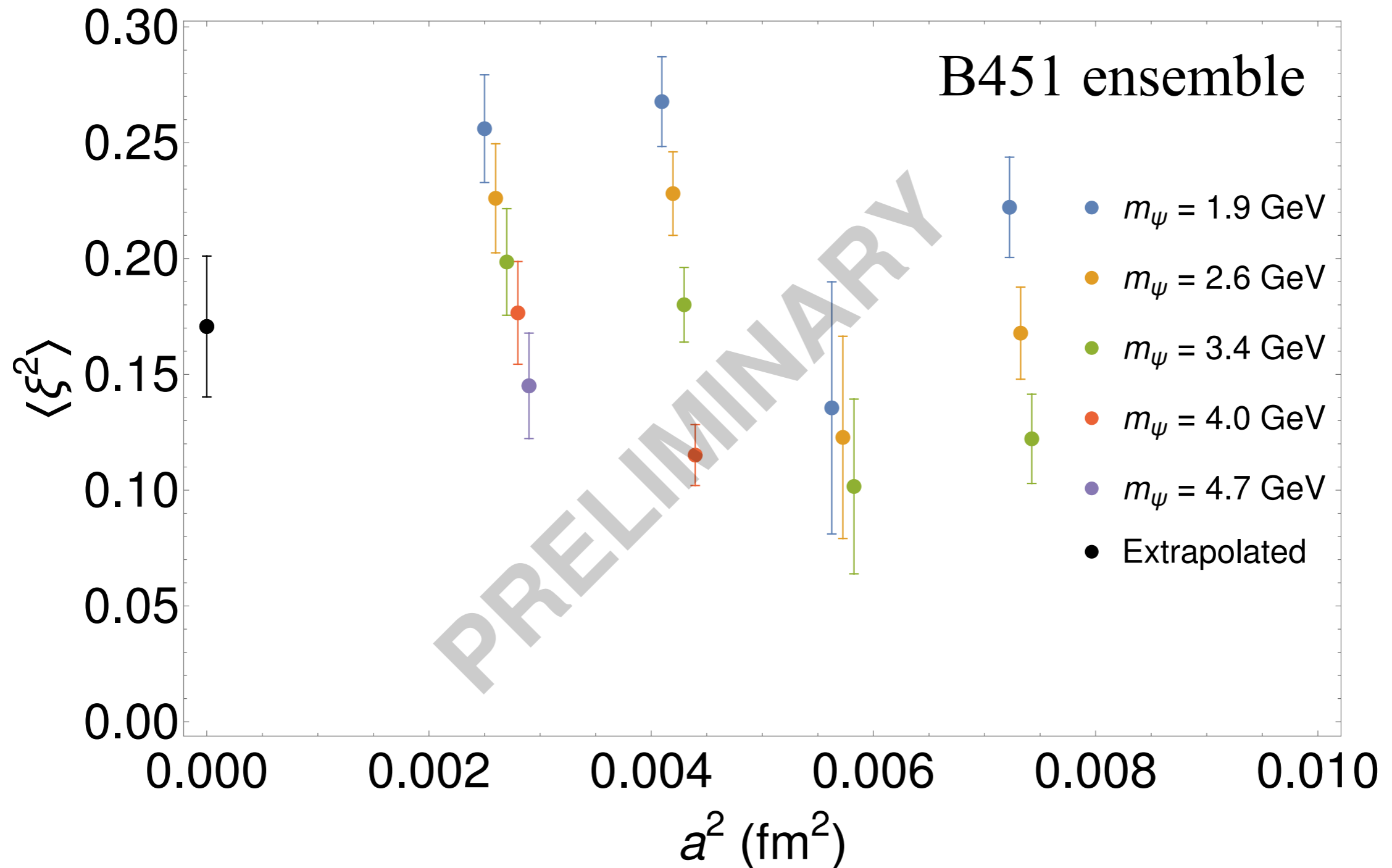
Full-QCD dynamical calculation for $\phi_{\pi,K}(\xi, \mu)$ commenced



Planned our calculations on these CLS ensembles

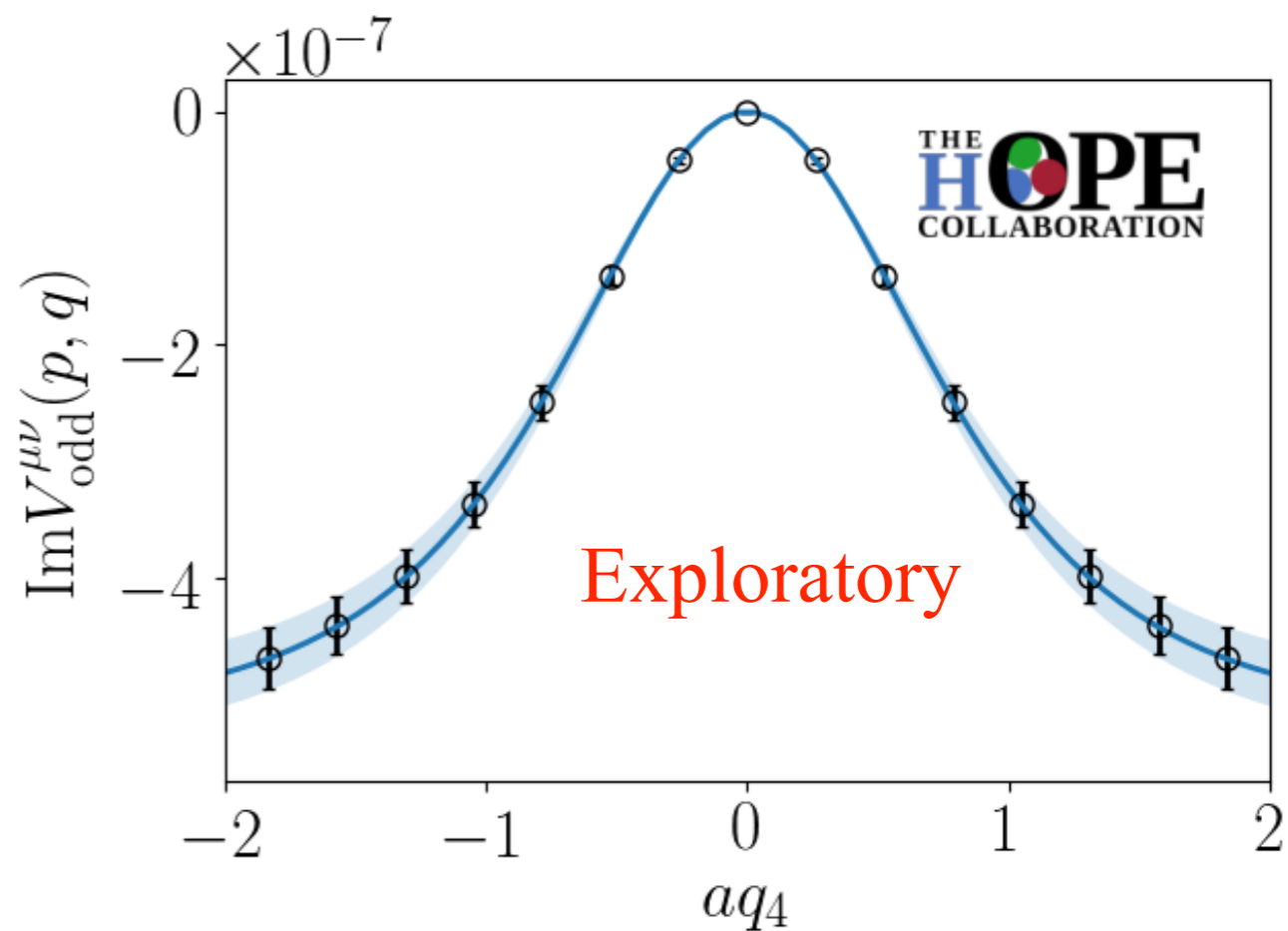
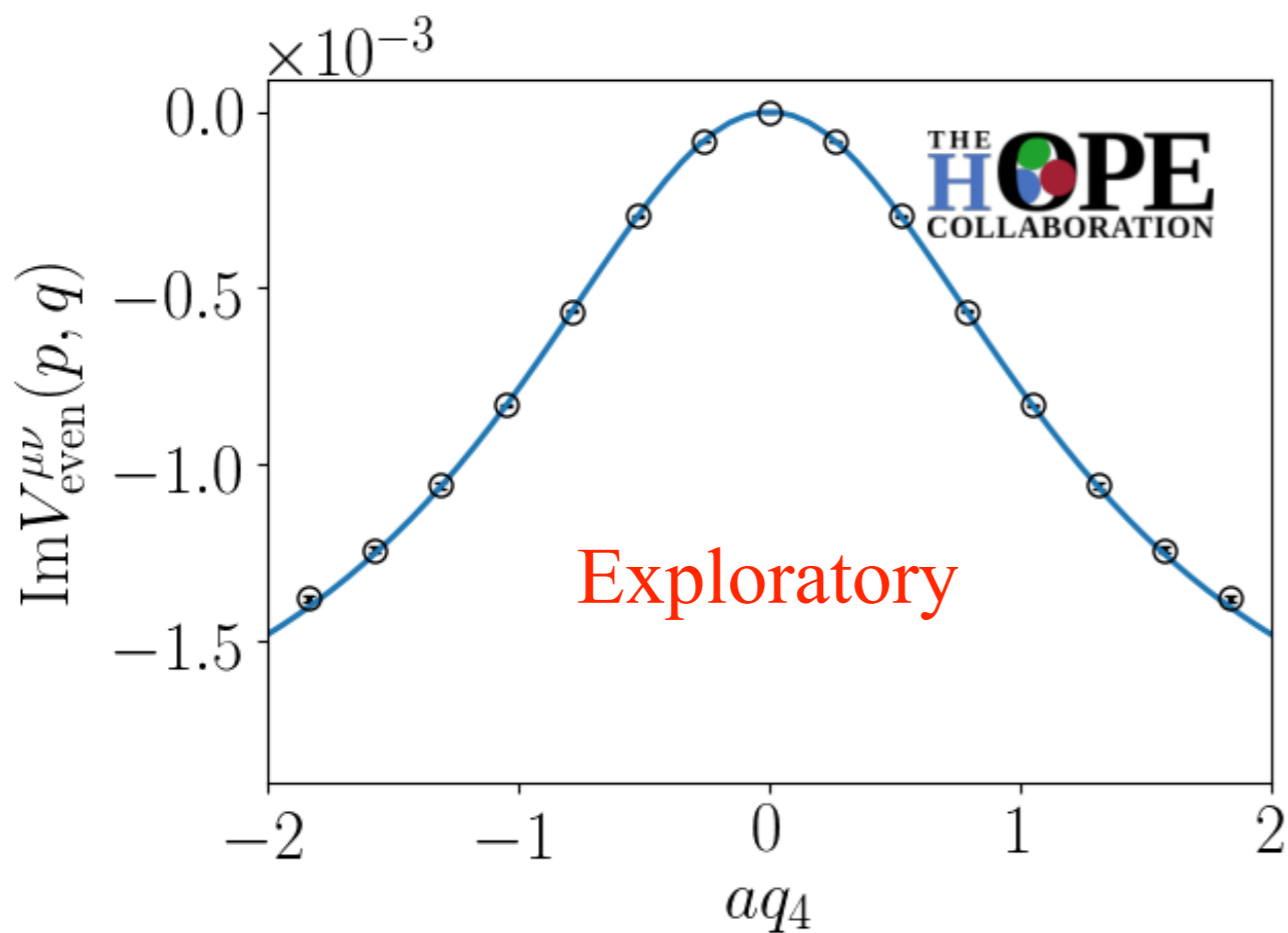


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Kaon LCDA

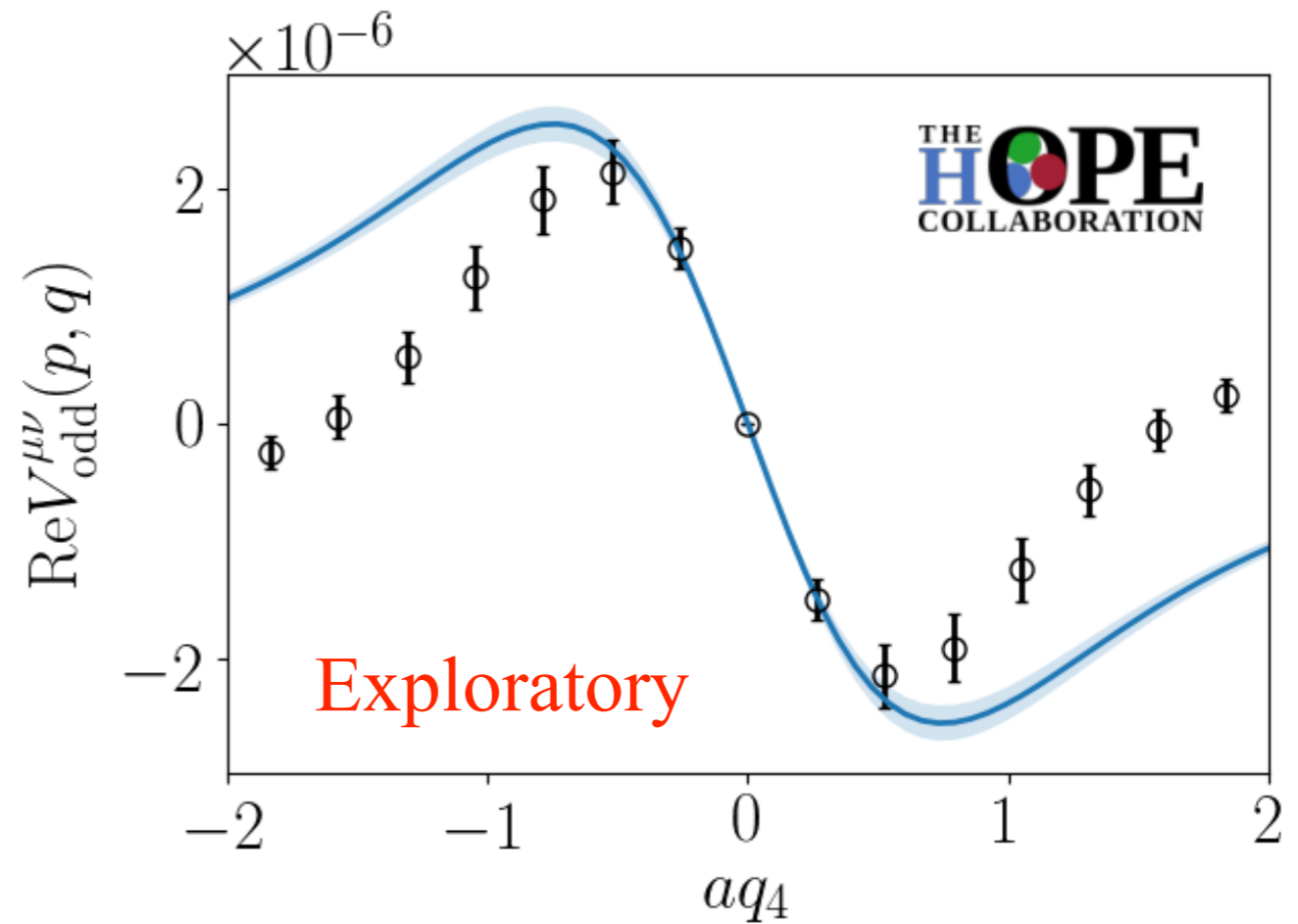
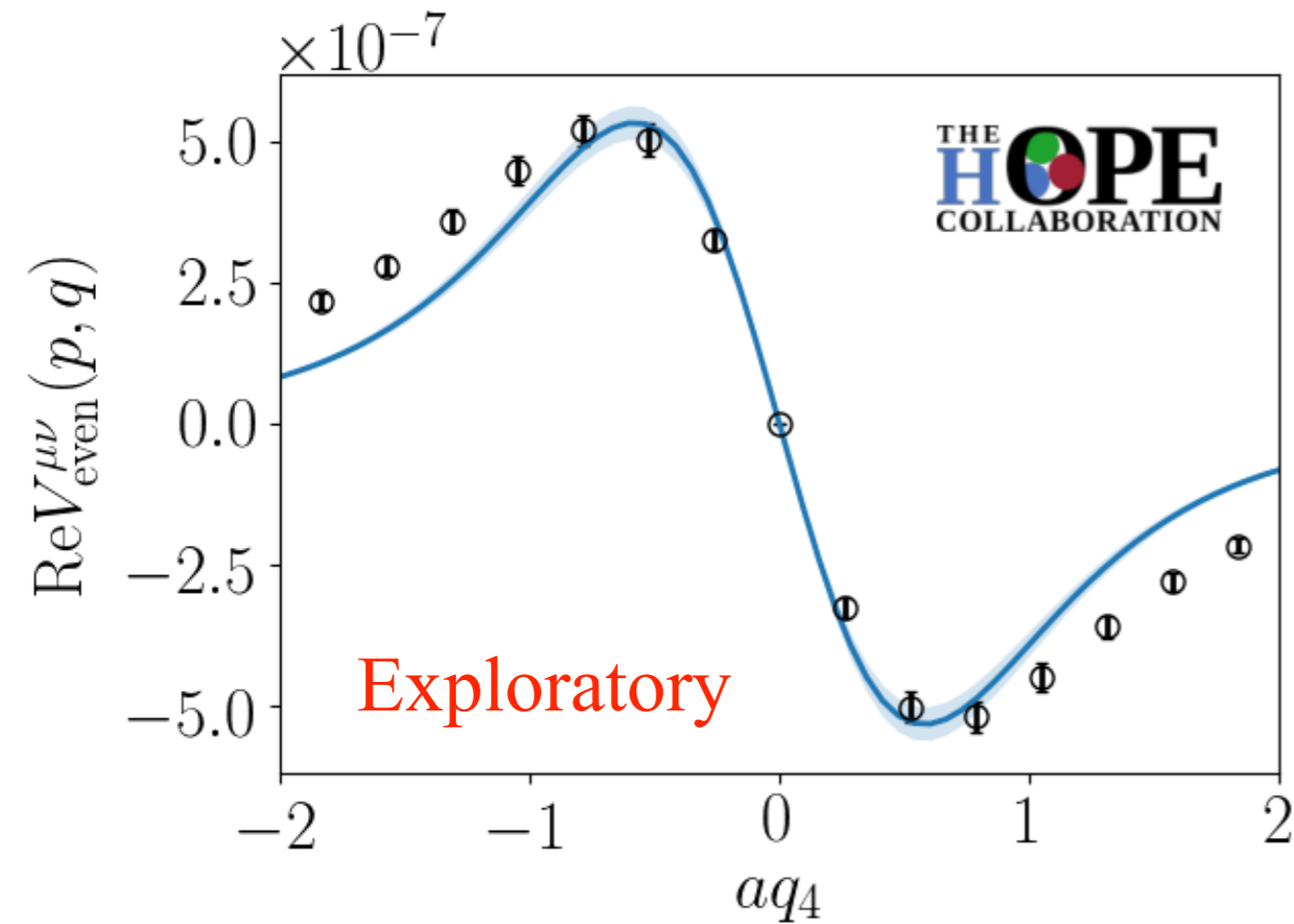
$$V_{\text{even}} = \frac{1}{2}(V_{sl} - V_{ls}) \Rightarrow \text{even moments} ; V_{\text{odd}} = \frac{1}{2}(V_{sl} + V_{ls}) \Rightarrow \text{odd moments}$$



Zeroth and first moments

Kaon LCDA

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Second and third moments

Tree level Wilson coefficients \Rightarrow One-loop needed

Conclusion and outlook

- HOPE method facilitates high-moments calculations
- Numerically well tested *via* $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$ of $\phi_\pi(\xi, \mu)$
- Reasonable preliminary result of $\langle \xi^4 \rangle$ of $\phi_\pi(\xi, \mu)$
- Dynamical calculations for pion and kaon LCDAs
- Pion PDF in the near future
- Direct calculation for ξ -dependence from HOPE

HOPE Collaboration, W. Detmold *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **104** (2021) 7, 074511

Backup slides

Pion LCDA: definition and OPEs

$$\langle 0 | \bar{d}(z) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 W[z, -z] u(-z) | \pi^+(\mathbf{p}) \rangle = i p_\mu f_\pi \int_{-1}^1 d\xi e^{-i\xi p \cdot z} \phi_\pi(\xi, \mu)$$

Gegenbauer (conformal) OPE in the isospin limit

$$\phi_\pi(\xi, \mu) = \frac{3}{4} (1 - \xi^2) \sum_{n=0, \text{even}}^{\infty} \phi_n(\mu) C_n^{3/2}(\xi) \xrightarrow[\text{RG}]{\mu \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{4} (1 - \xi^2)$$

Gegenbauer moments

Light-cone OPE

$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0 | [\bar{d} \gamma^{\{\mu_0} \gamma_5 (i \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\mu_1}) \dots (i \overleftrightarrow{D}^{\mu_n}) u - \text{traces}] | \pi^+(\mathbf{p}) \rangle \\ = f_\pi \langle \xi^n \rangle(\mu^2) [p^{\mu_0} p^{\mu_1} \dots p^{\mu_n} - \text{traces}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Mellin moments } \langle \xi^n \rangle(\mu) = \int_{-1}^1 d\xi \xi^n \phi_\pi(\xi, \mu)$$

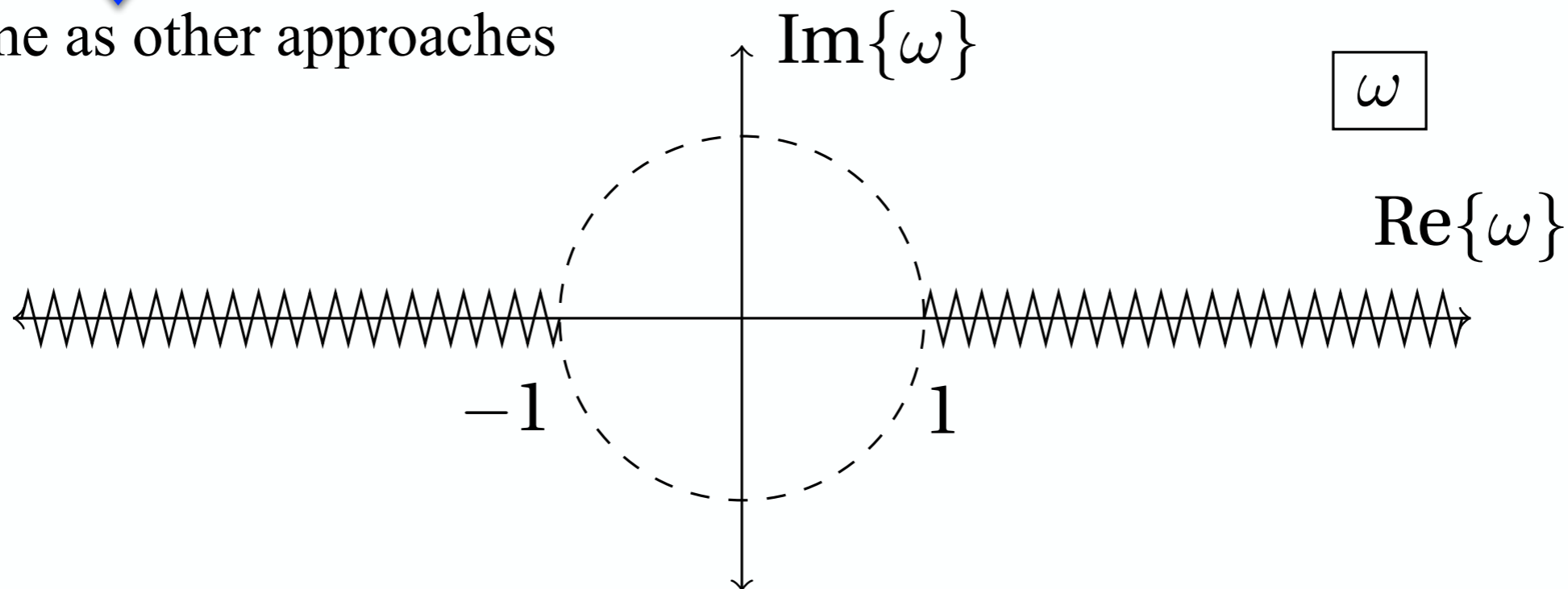
$$\phi_0 = \langle \xi^0 \rangle = 1, \quad \phi_2 = \frac{7}{12} (5 \langle \xi^2 \rangle - \langle \xi^0 \rangle), \quad \phi_4 = \frac{11}{24} (21 \langle \xi^4 \rangle - 14 \langle \xi^2 \rangle + \langle \xi^0 \rangle), \dots$$

Generic issue in HOPE for higher moments

$$\underbrace{T_{\Psi,\psi}^{\mu\nu}(p, q)}_{\text{simulate}} \sim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \underbrace{\langle \xi^n \rangle}_{\text{fit}} \omega^n + \text{higher twist}, \quad \omega = \frac{2p \cdot q}{\tilde{Q}^2} = \frac{2\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q} + 2iE_\pi q_4}{q_4^2 + \mathbf{q}^2 + m_\Psi^2}$$

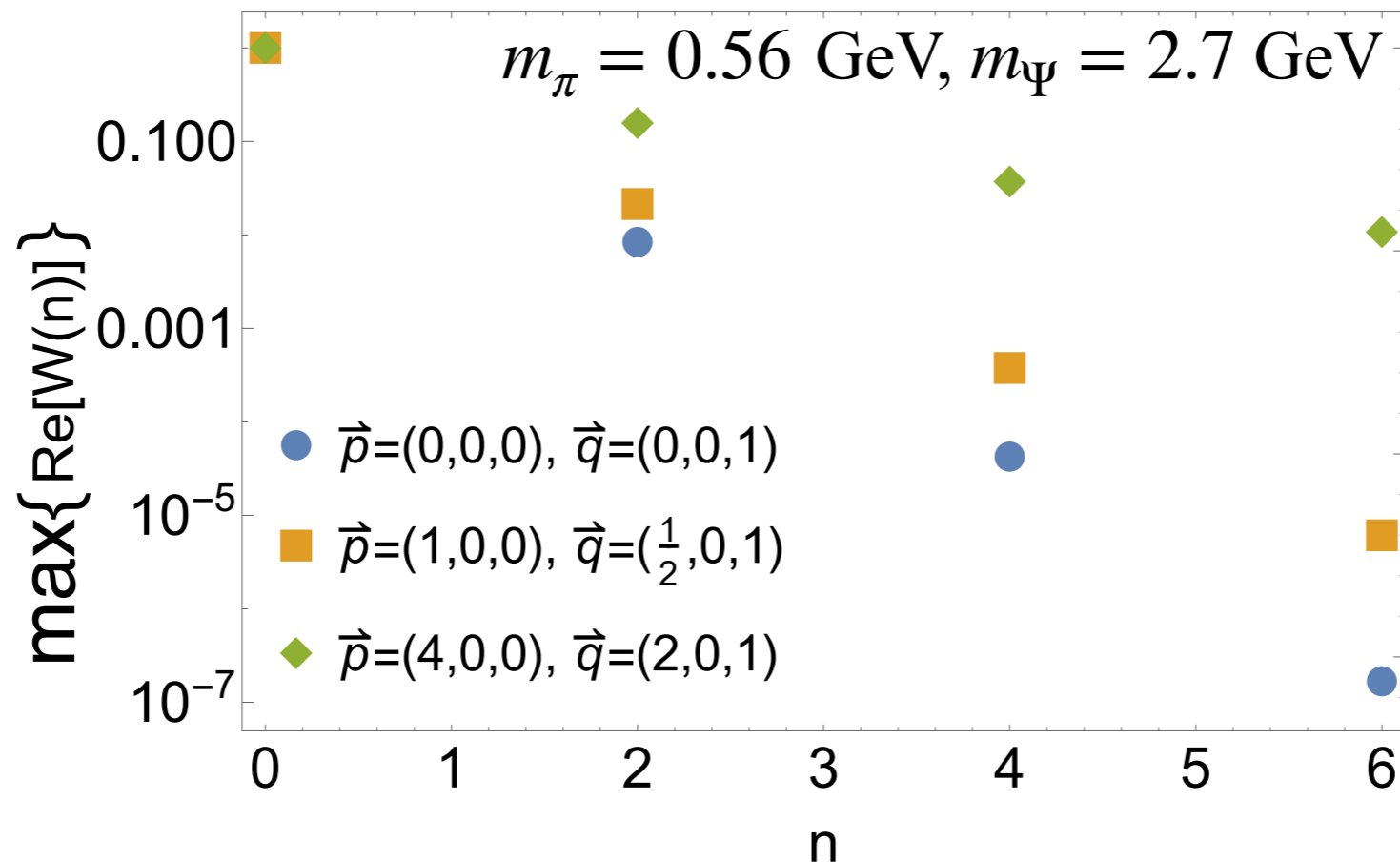
- ★ Need large \tilde{Q}^2 to suppress higher-twist effects [$\sim (\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/\tilde{Q})^m$]
- ★ Need large \mathbf{p} to make $|\omega| \rightarrow 1$ (sensitivity to higher moments)

↓
Same as other approaches



HOPE for $V^{[\mu\nu]}$: issue in fitting higher moments

$$\begin{aligned}
 V^{[\mu\nu]}(p, q) &= \frac{2\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q_\alpha p_\beta}{\tilde{Q}^2} \sum_{n \text{ even}}^{\infty} \frac{\zeta^n \mathcal{C}_n^2(\eta)}{2^n (n+1)} C_W^{(n)}(\tilde{Q}^2) f_\pi \langle \xi^n \rangle + \mathcal{O}(1/\tilde{Q}^3) \\
 &= \frac{2\epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} q_\alpha p_\beta}{\tilde{Q}^2} \sum_{n \text{ even}}^{\infty} W(n) C_W^{(n)}(\tilde{Q}^2) f_\pi \langle \xi^n \rangle + \mathcal{O}(1/\tilde{Q}^3)
 \end{aligned}$$



In general, need large \mathbf{p} to access non-leading moments

Strategy for enhancing sensitivity to $\langle \xi^n \rangle$

$$V^{[12]}(p, q) = \frac{2\epsilon^{12\alpha\beta} q_\alpha p_\beta}{\tilde{Q}^2} \sum_{n \text{ even}}^{\infty} \frac{\zeta^n C_n^2(\eta)}{2^n (n+1)} C_W^{(n)}(\tilde{Q}^2) f_\pi \langle \xi^n \rangle + \mathcal{O}(1/\tilde{Q}^3)$$

$$= \frac{2(q_3 p_4 - q_4 p_3)}{\tilde{Q}^2} \left[C_W^{(0)}(\tilde{Q}^2) f_\pi + \frac{6(p \cdot q)^2 - p^2 q^2}{6(\tilde{Q}^2)^2} C_W^{(2)}(\tilde{Q}^2) f_\pi \langle \xi^2 \rangle + \dots \right] + \mathcal{O}(1/\tilde{Q}^3)$$

$$p_4 = iE_\pi$$

choose $\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{q} \neq 0$ while $p_3 = 0$, $q_3 \neq 0$ and q_4 being real

$$= \frac{2iq_3 E_\pi}{\tilde{Q}^2} \left[\underbrace{C_W^{(0)}(\tilde{Q}^2) f_\pi}_{\text{imaginary}} + \underbrace{\frac{6(p \cdot q)^2 - p^2 q^2}{6(\tilde{Q}^2)^2} C_W^{(2)}(\tilde{Q}^2) f_\pi \langle \xi^2 \rangle}_{\text{real}} + \dots \right] + \mathcal{O}(1/\tilde{Q}^3)$$

imaginary real complex

→ The largest contribution to $\text{Re}[V^{[12]}]$ is from $\langle \xi^2 \rangle$

Enhancing the signal: the idea

We work with $|\omega| < 1$ where Minkowskian $V^{\mu\nu}$ is imaginary.

$$\text{From } V_{\text{Minkowski}}^{\mu\nu}(p, q) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau e^{-q_0\tau} R^{\mu\nu}(\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}).$$

→ $R^{\mu\nu}$ is imaginary.

Back to Euclidean space:

$$\text{Re}[U^{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{p}, q)] = \text{Re} \left[\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\tau R^{\mu\nu}(\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) e^{-iq_4\tau} \right]$$

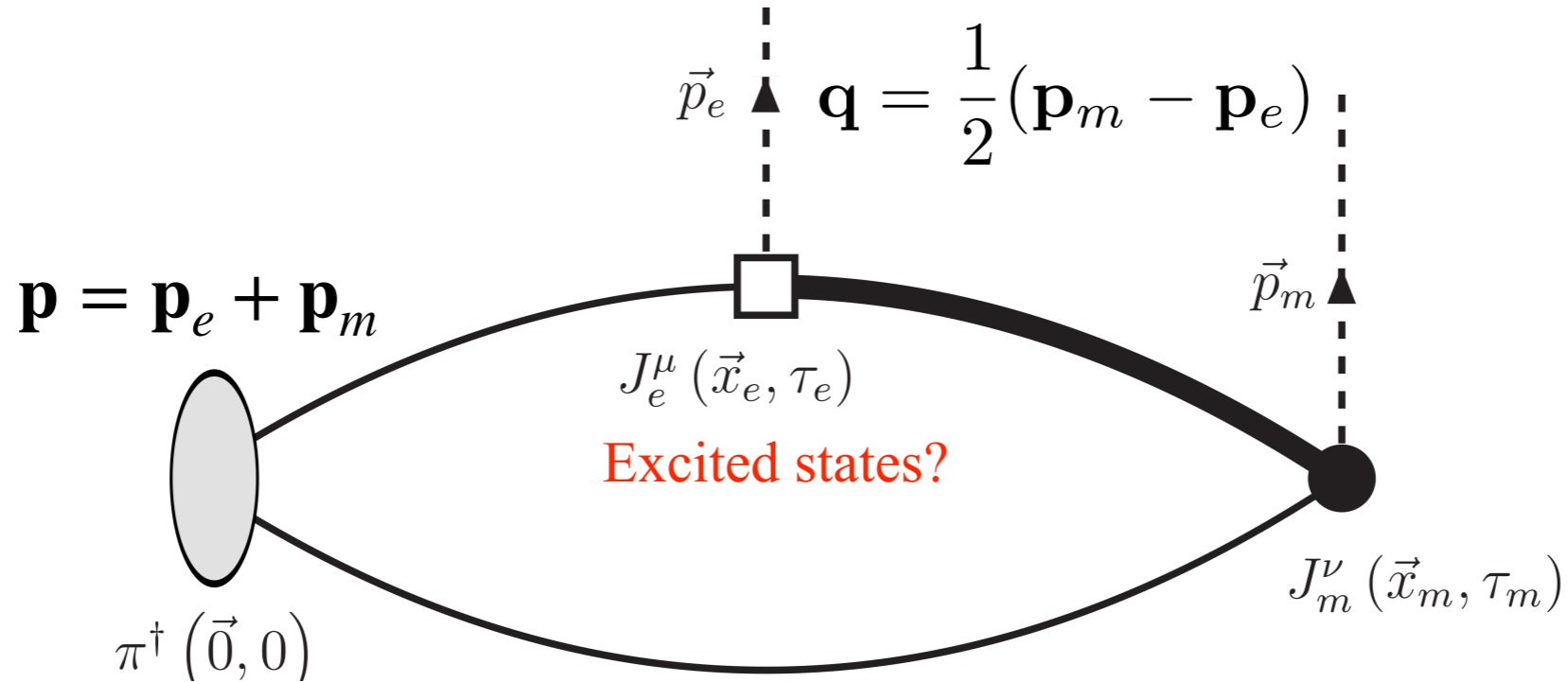
$$\propto \int_0^{\infty} d\tau \left[R^{\mu\nu}(\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) - R^{\mu\nu}(-\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \right] \sin(q_4\tau)$$

γ_5 hermiticity

$$= R^{\mu\nu}(\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) + R^{\mu\nu}(\tau; -\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$$

More correlated → reduced error

Correlators for lattice calculation



$$C_3^{\mu\nu}(\tau_e, \tau_m; \mathbf{p}_e, \mathbf{p}_m) = \int d^3x_e d^3x_m e^{i\mathbf{p}_e \cdot \mathbf{x}_e} e^{i\mathbf{p}_m \cdot \mathbf{x}_m} \langle 0 | \mathcal{T} [J_A^\mu(\tau_e, \mathbf{x}_e) J_A^\nu(\tau_m, \mathbf{x}_m) \mathcal{O}_\pi^\dagger(\mathbf{0})] | 0 \rangle$$

$$= R^{\mu\nu}(\tau_e - \tau_m; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) \frac{Z_\pi(\mathbf{p})}{2E_\pi(\mathbf{p})} e^{-E_\pi(\mathbf{p})(\tau_e + \tau_m)/2}$$

$$z = x_e - x_m$$

$$\int d^3z e^{i\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{z}} \langle 0 | T[J_A^\mu(z/2) J_A^\nu(-z/2)] | \pi(\mathbf{p}) \rangle$$

HOPE hadronic amplitude in TMR

Fit from

$$C_2(\tau_\pi, \mathbf{p}) = \int d^3\mathbf{x} e^{i\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{x}} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_\pi(\mathbf{x}, \tau_\pi) \mathcal{O}_\pi^\dagger(\mathbf{0}, 0) | 0 \rangle$$

Excited state contamination in $R^{[\mu\nu]}(\tau; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$

