

# Momentum, structure, and forces in the nucleon from lattice QCD

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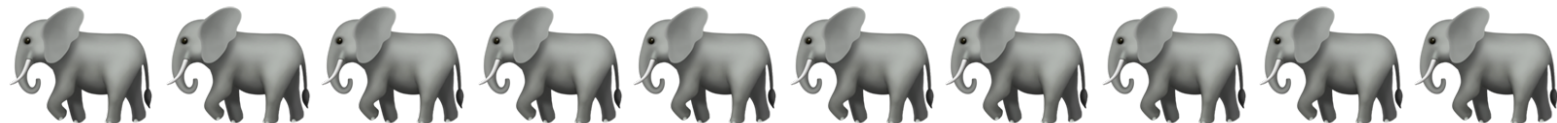
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# Topics

- Precision isovector axial, tensor, scalar charges [PRD108 (2023)]
- Quark and gluon momentum fractions,  $\langle x \rangle_q$ ,  $\langle x \rangle_g$  [PLB714 (2012) + in preparation]
  - Renormalisation and mixing
- Off-forward Compton amplitude [PRD105 (2022), PRD110 (2024)]
  - Reconstruction of generalised parton distribution functions
- Transverse forces [PRL134 (2025)]





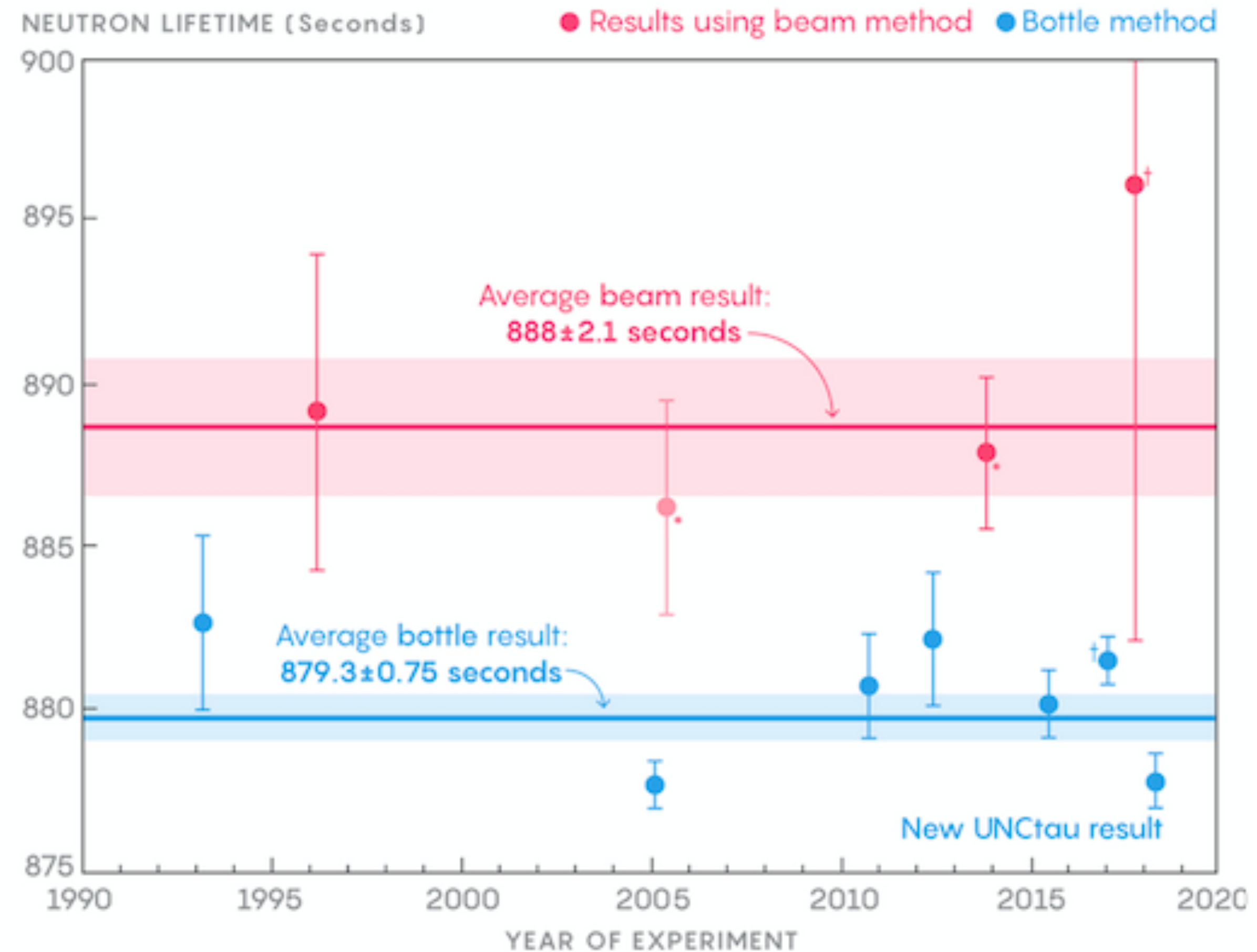
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[PRD108 (2023)]



# Motivation

- Current  $\tau_{\text{bottle}}^n - \tau_{\text{beam}}^n \sim 4\sigma$
- Unconsidered systematic error in the experiments? or evidence of new physics?
- Bottle counts how many neutrons left
- Beam counts final state protons only
- *Evidence of some unknown decay in bottle?*

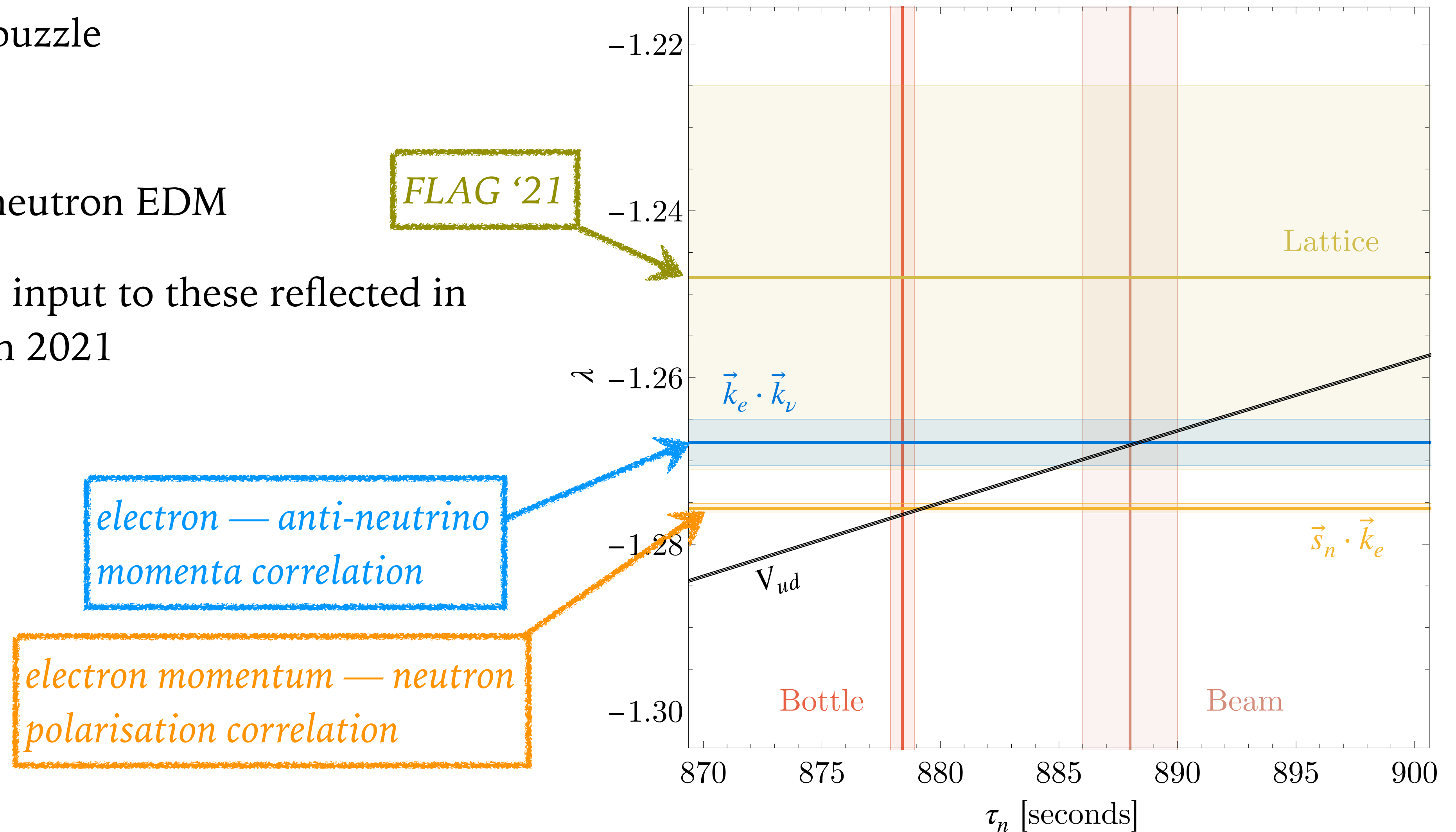




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[QCDSF, PRD108 (2023)]

- Nucleon isovector charges ( $g_A^{u-d}, g_T^{u-d}, g_S^{u-d}$ ) can have an impact on searches for New Physics
  - Neutron lifetime puzzle
  - Neutron  $\beta$ -decay
  - CP-violation and neutron EDM
- Importance of lattice input to these reflected in appearing in FLAG in 2021





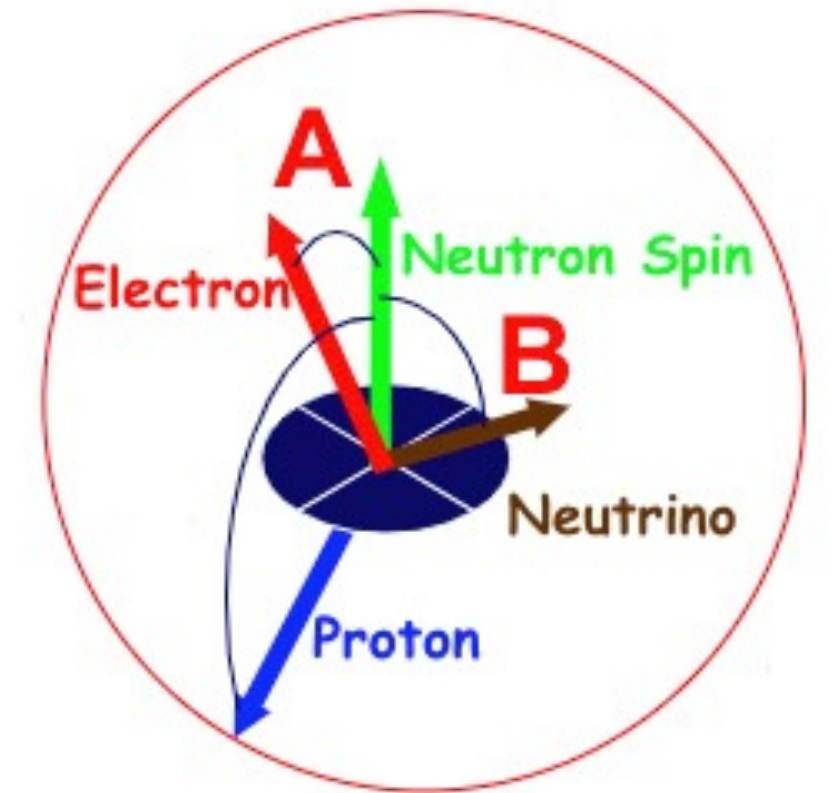
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- For a beam of polarised neutrons the differential decay rate is described by:

$$dW \propto \frac{1}{\tau_n} F(E_n) \left[ 1 + a \frac{\vec{k}_e \cdot \vec{k}_\nu}{E_e E_\nu} + b \frac{m_e}{E_e} + A \frac{\vec{s}_n \cdot \vec{k}_e}{E_e} + B \frac{\vec{s}_n \cdot \vec{k}_\nu}{E_\nu} \right]$$

Fierz interference term

- SM:  $b = 0$
- Added to account for the possible BSM *scalar* and *tensor* interactions



SM

$$\langle p | V/A | n \rangle$$

$$g_V \approx 1, g_A = 1.2756(13)$$

BSM

$$\langle p | T/S | n \rangle$$

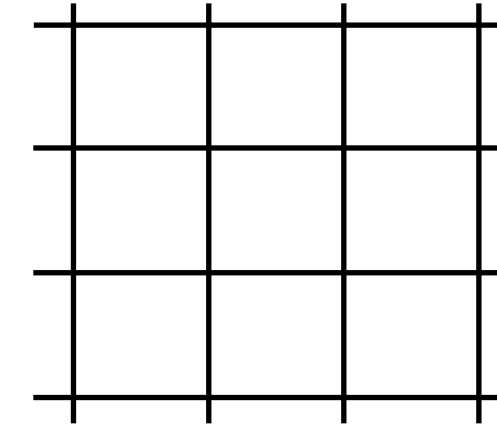
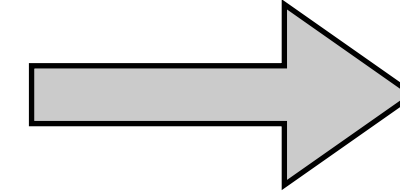
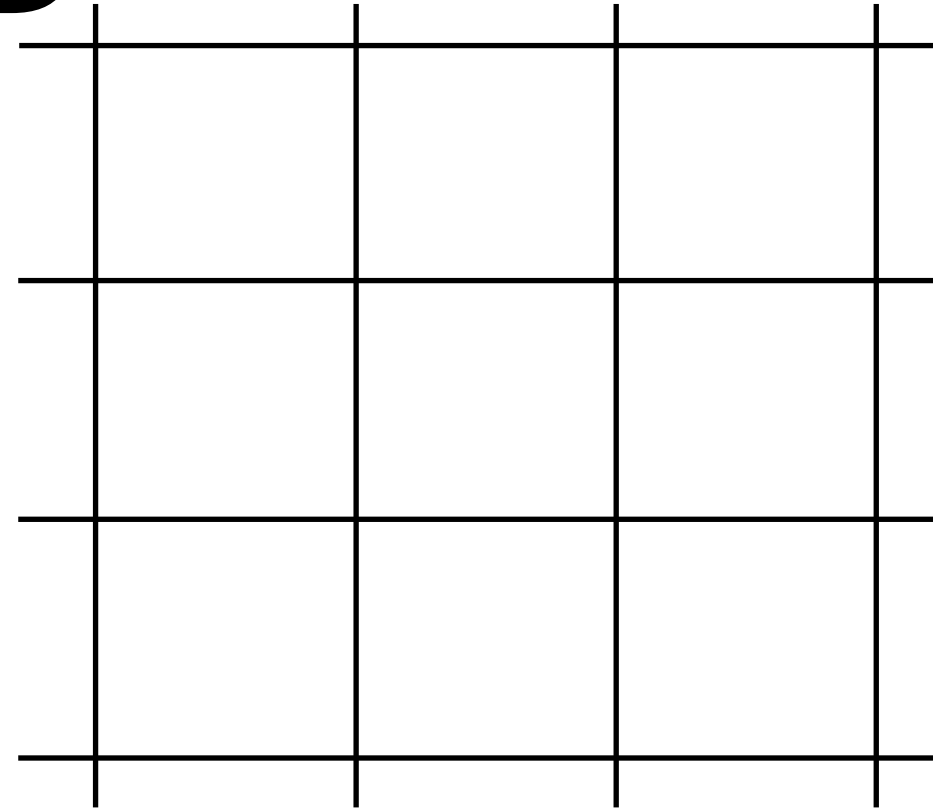
$$g_S \approx ?, g_T \approx ?$$



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- Continuum
  - Unavoidable
  - Improved actions (errors  $O(a^2)$ )
  - Finer lattice spacings



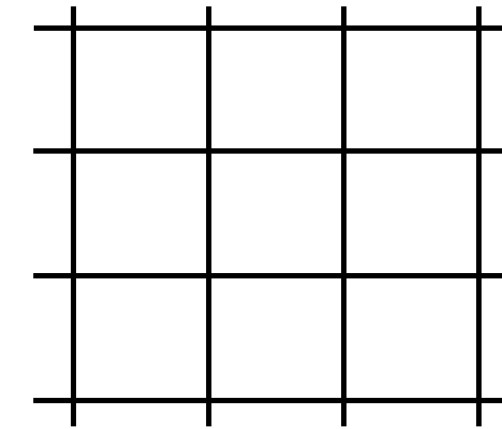
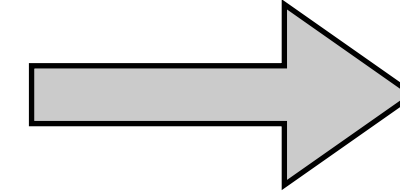
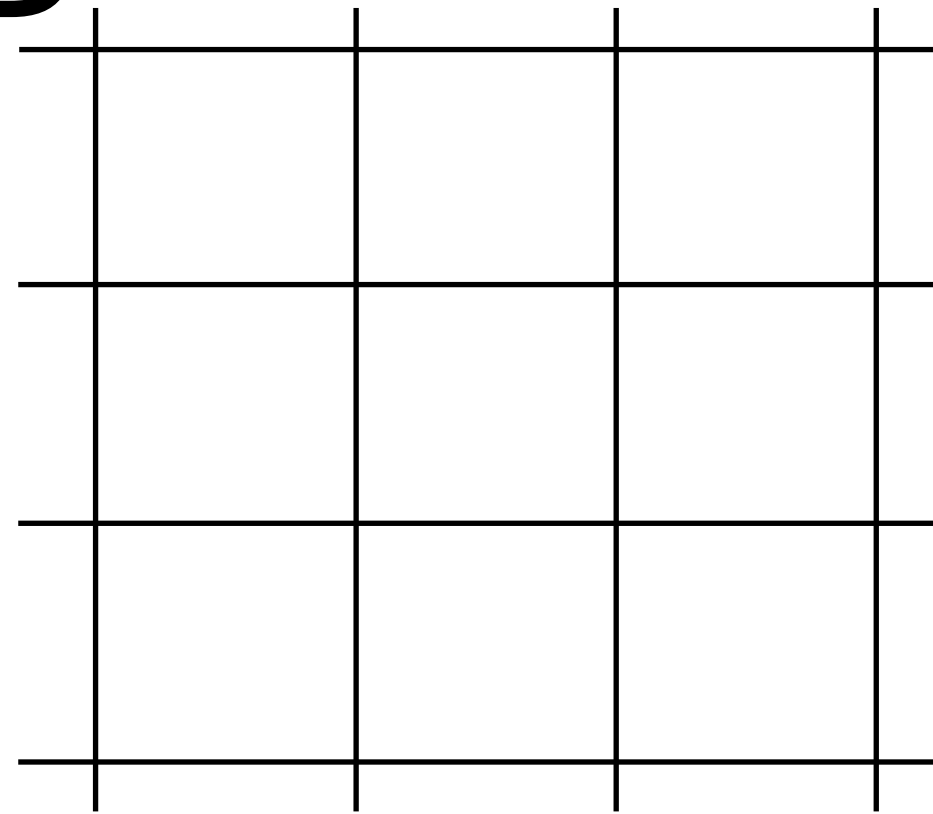
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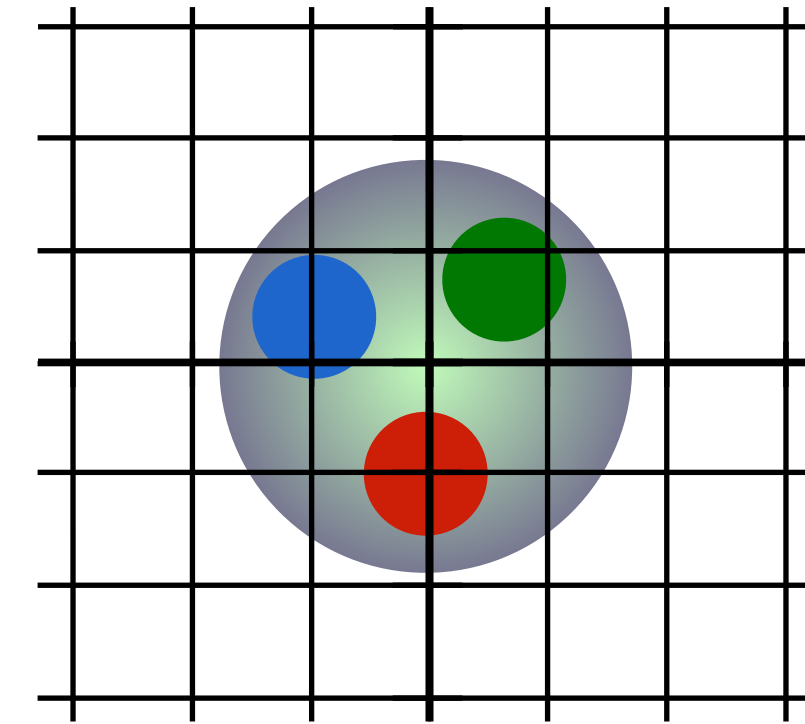
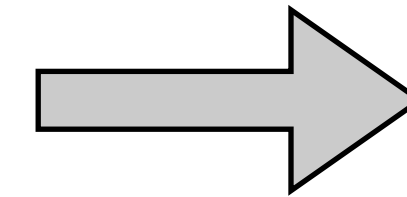
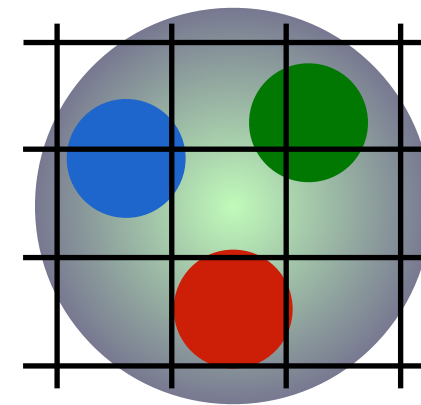
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  - Large volumes so effects are exponentially suppressed



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$$L \rightarrow \infty$$



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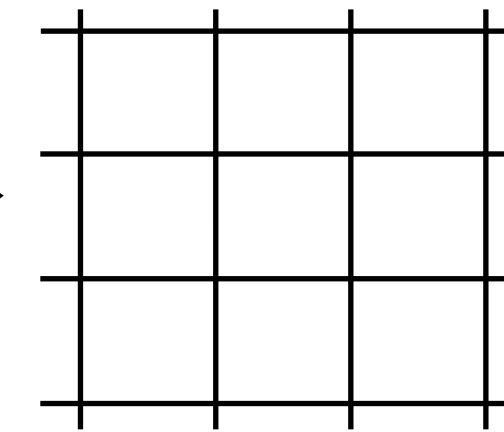
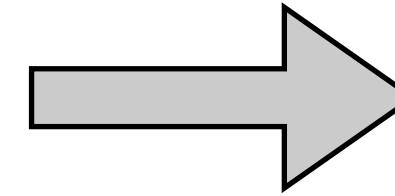
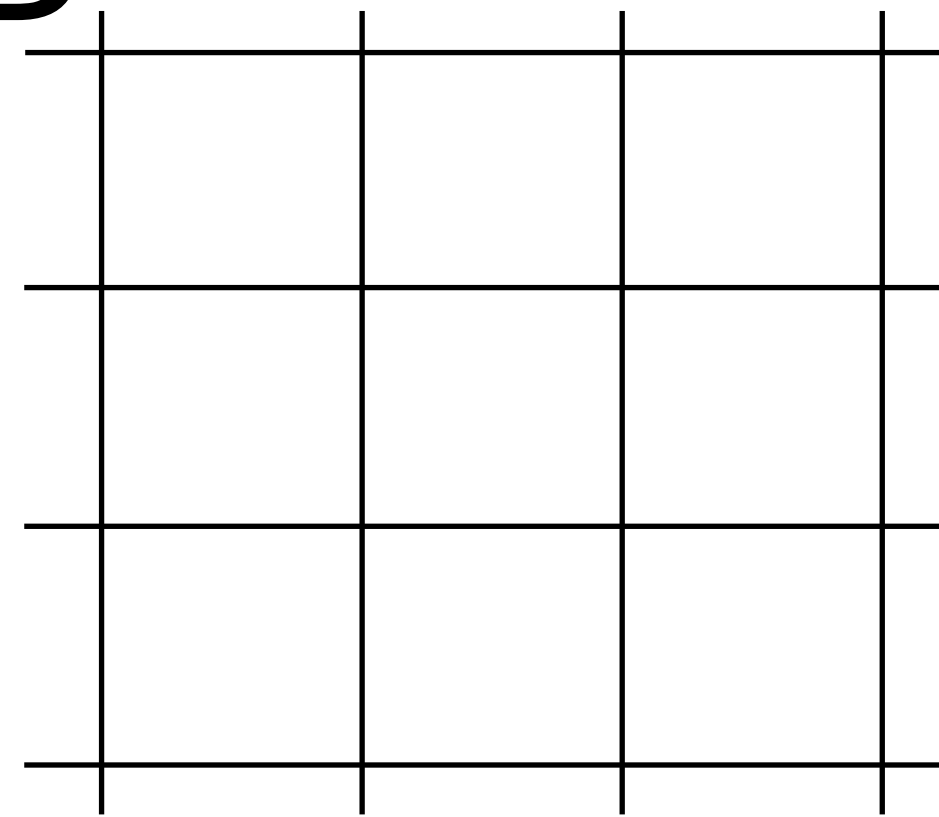
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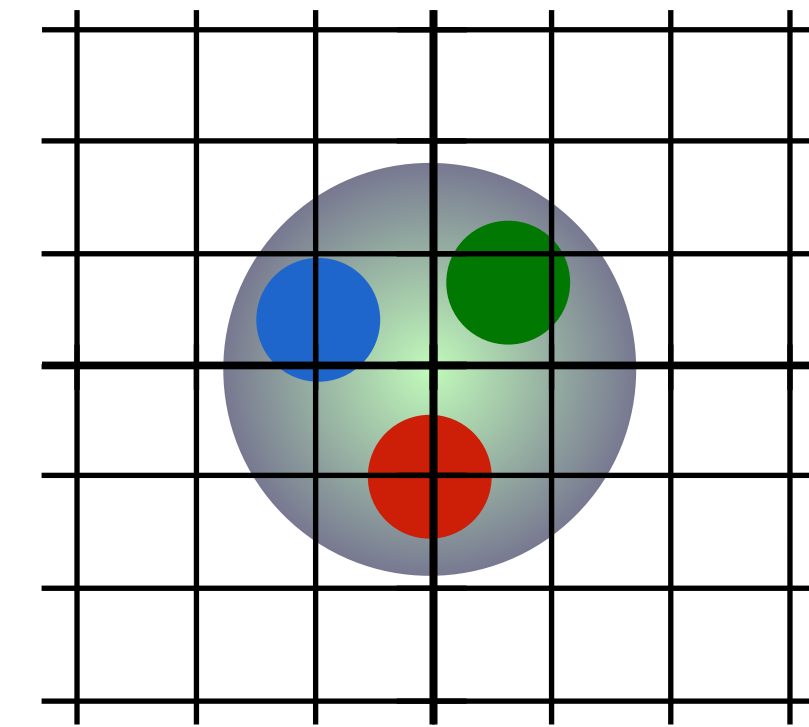
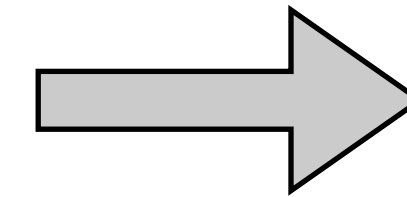
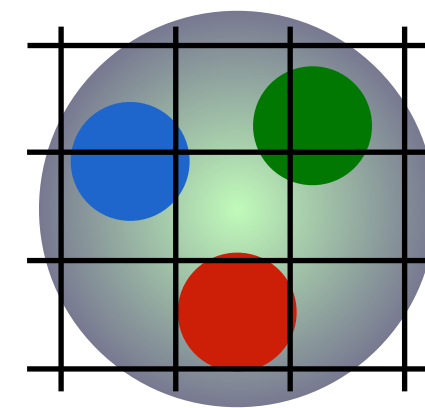
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### ➤ Chiral

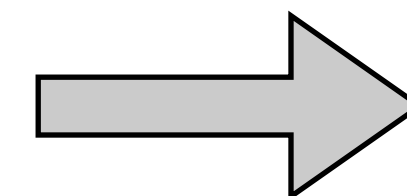
- Simulate at physical quark masses
- Chiral perturbation theory
- Flavour-breaking expansion



$$a \rightarrow 0$$



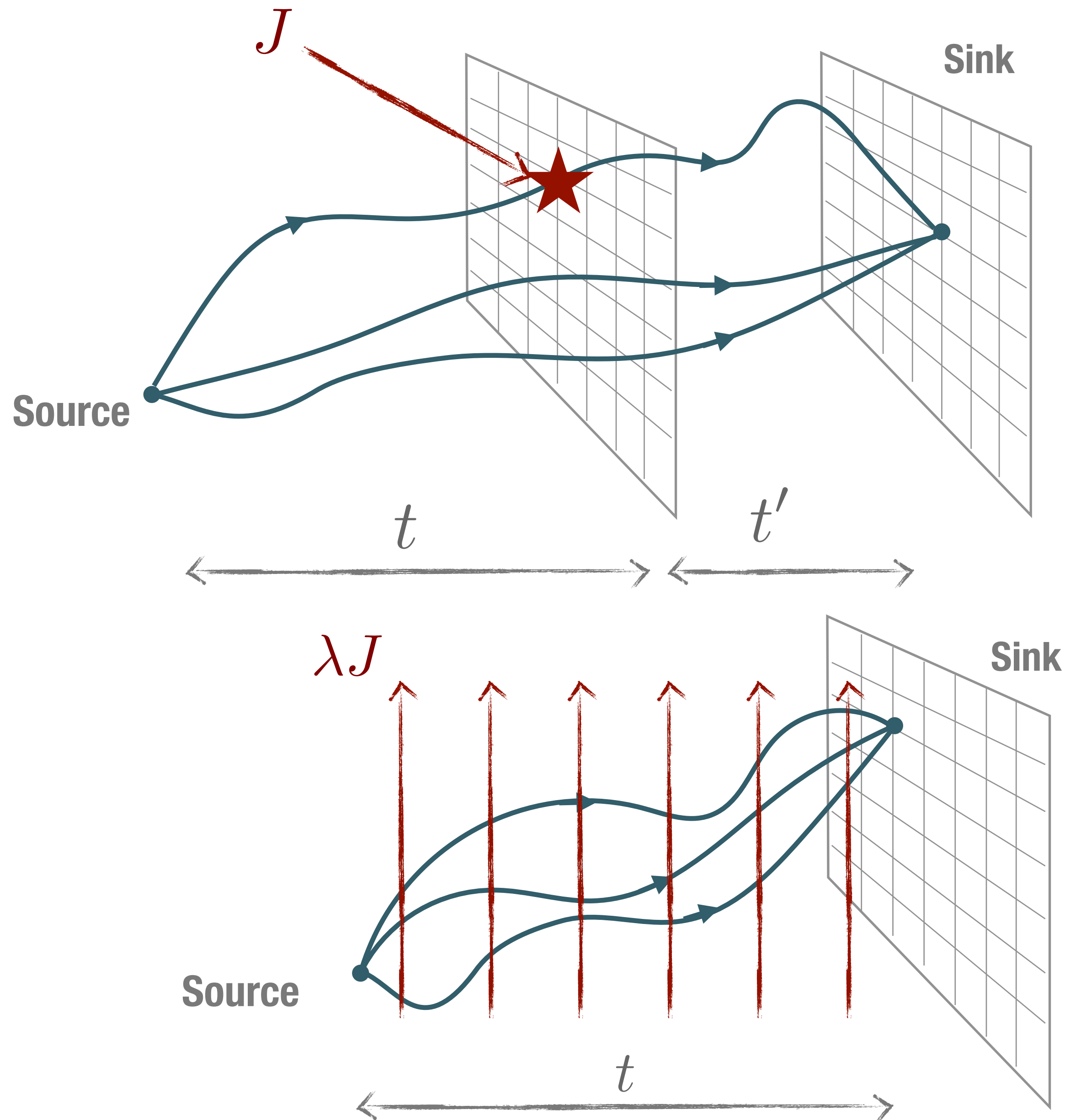
$$L \rightarrow \infty$$



$$m_\pi \rightarrow 140 \text{ MeV}$$
$$\text{GOR} \implies m_\pi^2 \propto m_q$$



# Matrix elements on the lattice



## 3-pt functions

$$t, t' \gg \frac{1}{\Delta E} \quad \leftarrow \text{energy gap to lowest excitation}$$

$$\frac{\langle C_3(t, t') \rangle}{\langle C_2(t) \rangle \langle C_2(t') \rangle} \propto \langle N' | J | N \rangle$$

## Feynman-Hellmann

$$t \gg \frac{1}{\Delta E}$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial E}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \propto \langle N | J | N \rangle$$



# Feynman-Hellmann Theorem

Suppose we want:  $\langle H | \mathcal{O} | H \rangle$

Modify action with external field:

$$S \rightarrow S + \lambda \int d^4x \mathcal{O}(x)$$

*real parameter*

*local operator, e.g.  $\bar{q}(x)\gamma_3 q(x)$*

Measure hadron energy while changing  $\lambda$

$$G(\lambda; \vec{p}; t) = \int dx e^{-i\vec{p} \cdot \vec{x}} \langle \chi'(x) \chi(0) \rangle \stackrel{\text{large } t}{\propto} e^{-E_H(\lambda, \vec{p})t}$$

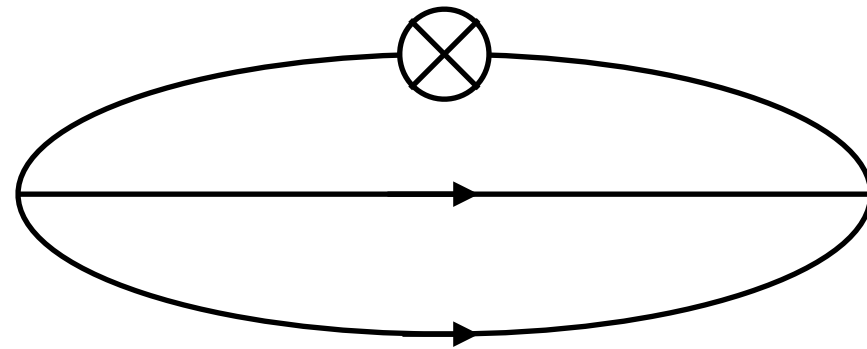
Calculation of matrix elements  $\equiv$  hadron spectroscopy

$$\left. \frac{\partial E_H(\lambda, \vec{p})}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0} = \frac{1}{2E_H(\vec{p})} \langle H(\vec{p}) | \mathcal{O}(0) | H(\vec{p}) \rangle$$

# Feynman-Hellmann Theorem

► Can modify fermion action in 2 places:

- ◉ quark propagators *Connected*



$g_A, \Delta\Sigma$  [PRD90 (2014)]

$NPR$  [PLB740 (2015)]

$G_E, G_M$  [PRD96 (2017)]

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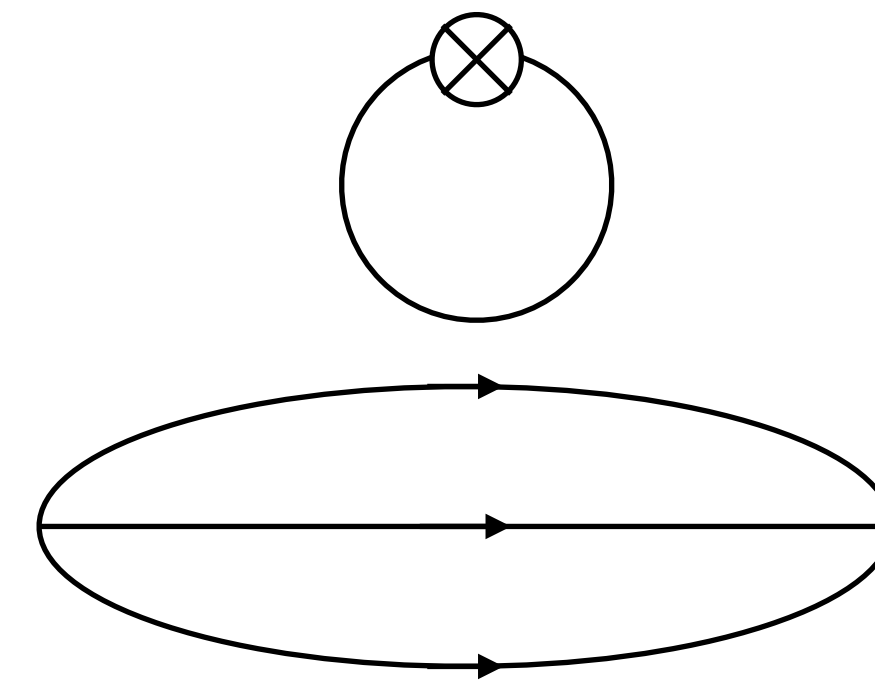
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*(Requires new gauge configurations)*

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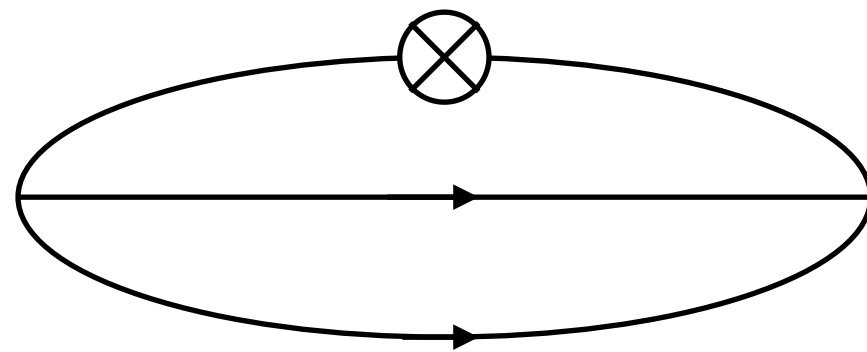
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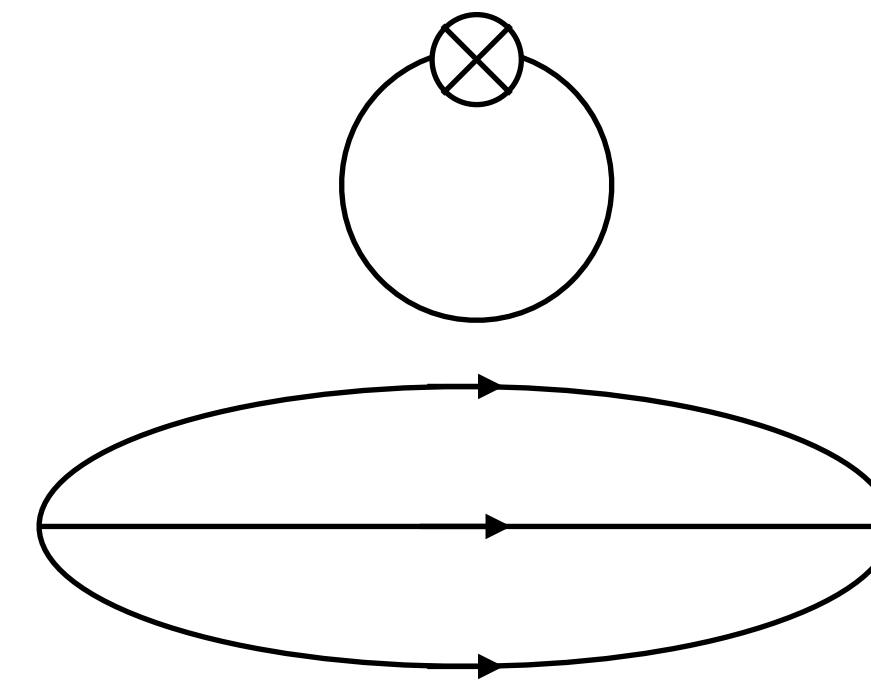
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# Demonstration: Axial charges

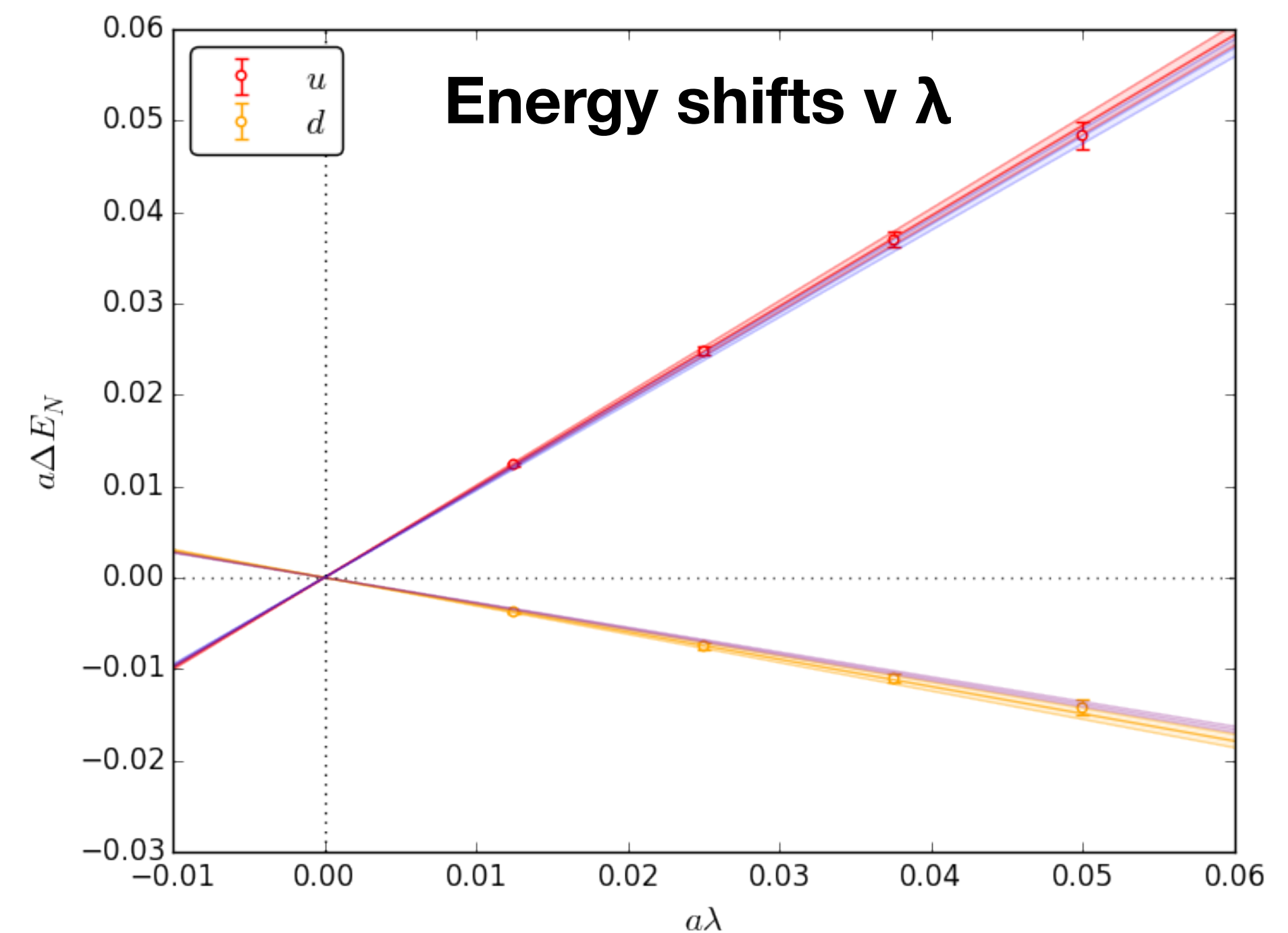
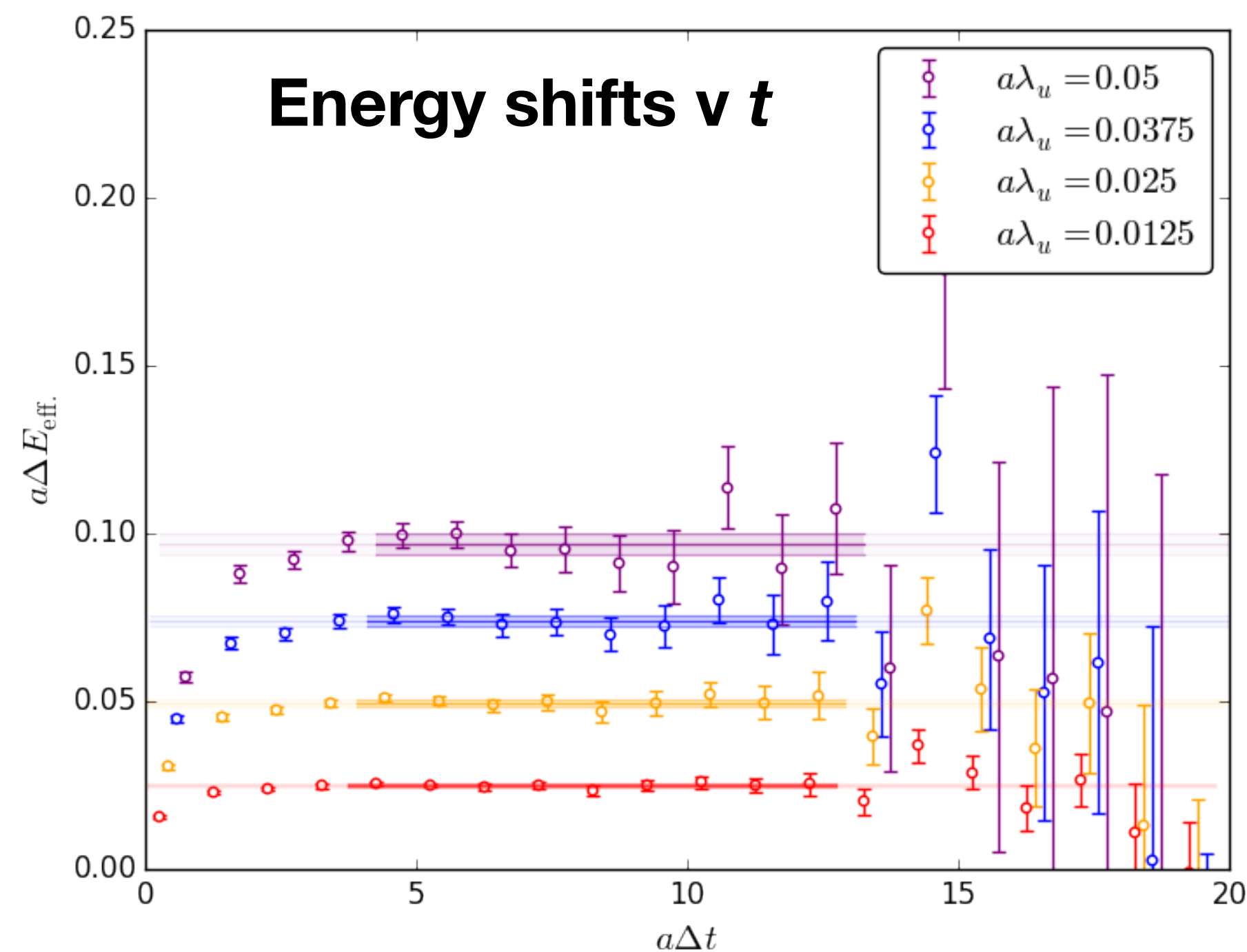
(Connected only, [PRD90 (2014)])

► Want

$$\langle N_s(\vec{p}) | \bar{q}(0) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 q(0) | N_s(\vec{p}) \rangle = 2i s_\mu \Delta q \quad q \in (u, d)$$

► Employ

$$\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} + \lambda \bar{q}(-i\gamma_3\gamma_5)q \Rightarrow \left. \frac{\partial E_N(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0}^{\Gamma_\pm} = \pm \Delta q_{\text{conn.}}$$



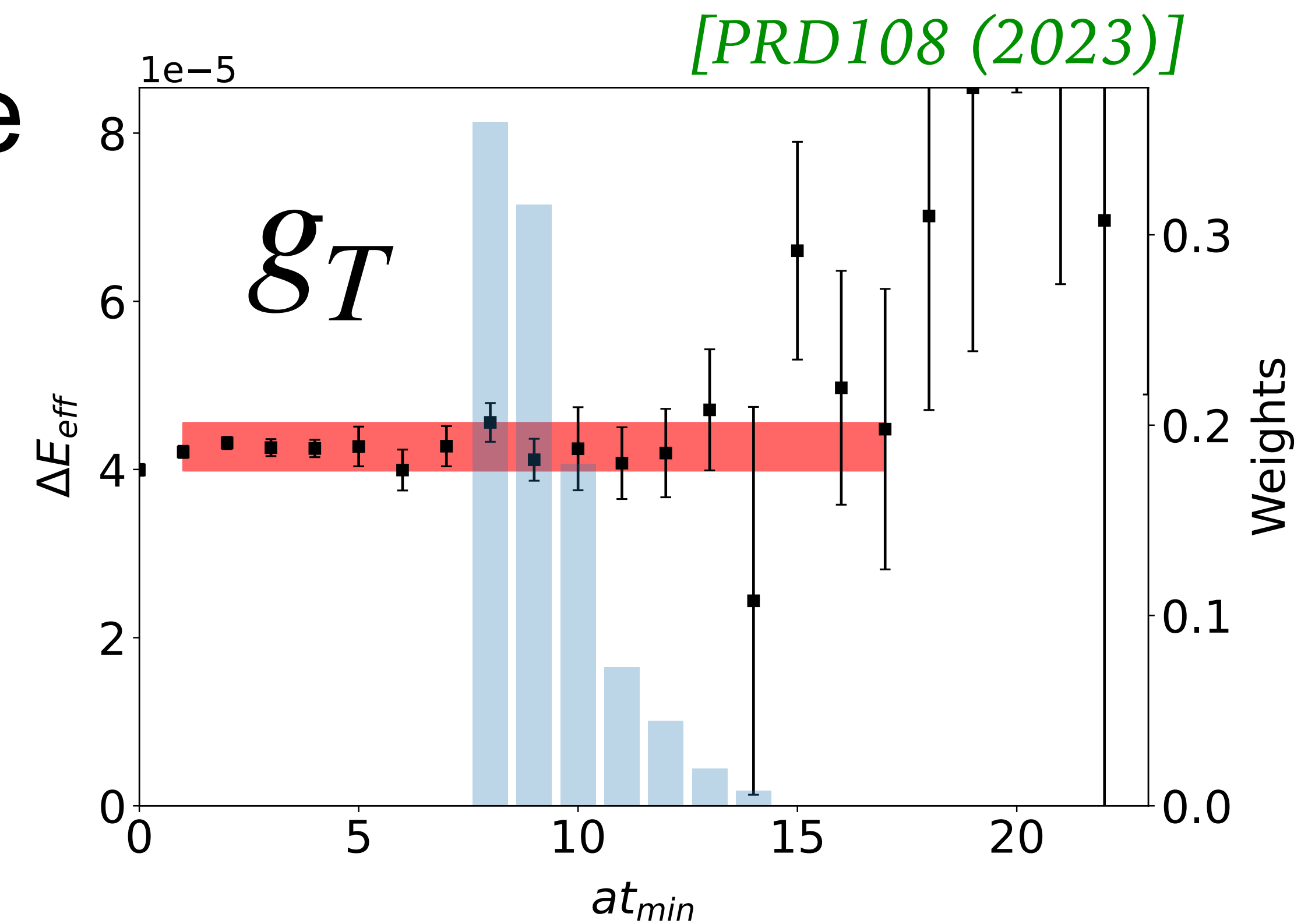
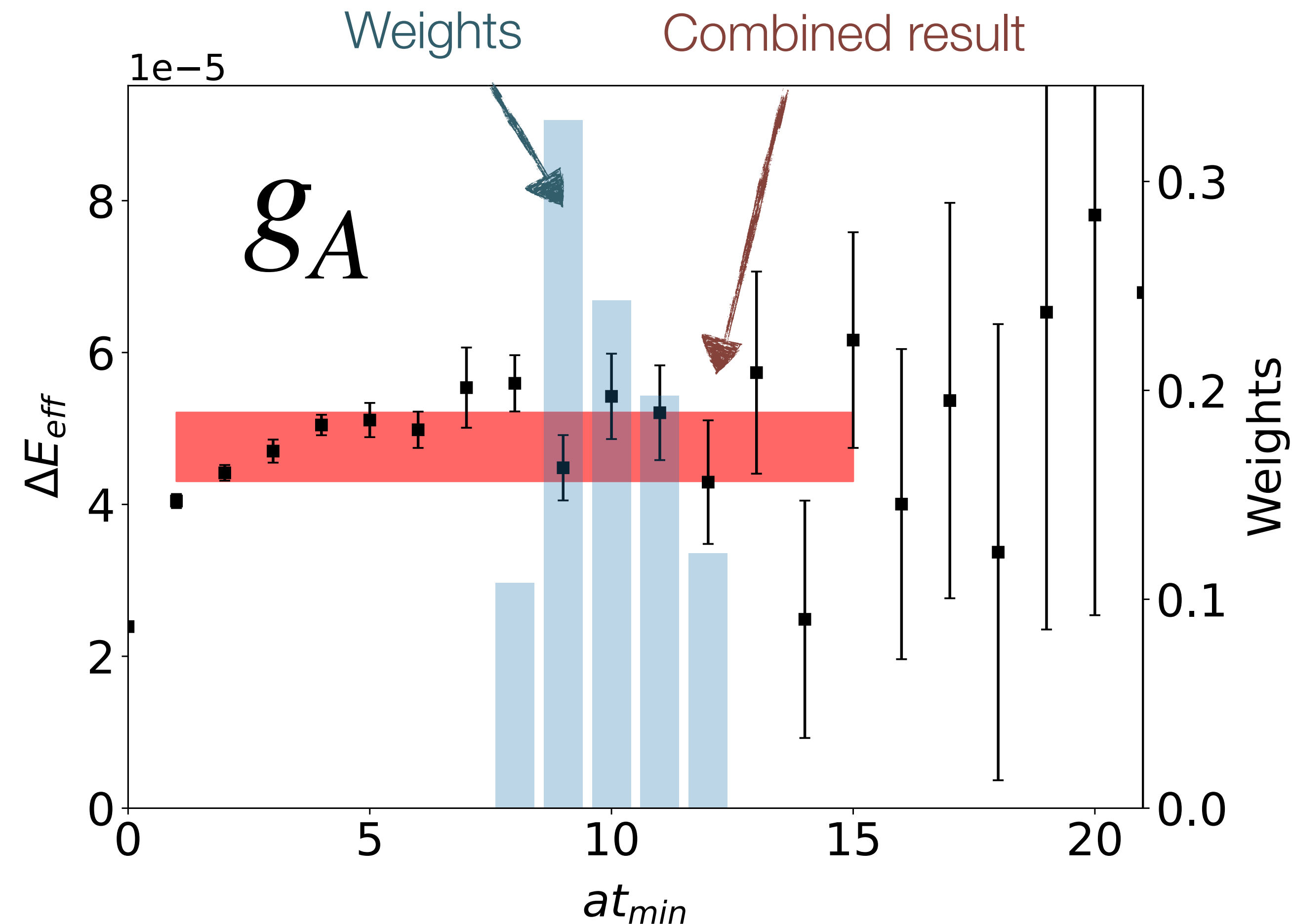
$m_\pi \approx 470 \text{ MeV}$

350 configurations

$32^3 \times 64$



# Energy shifts: weighted average



see also: Beane *et al.* NPLQCD/QCDSF, PRD(2021),  
Rinaldi *et al.*, PRD(2019)

**(Non-normalised) weights:**

$$\tilde{w}_f = \frac{p_f}{\sigma_f^2}$$

fit  $p$ -value

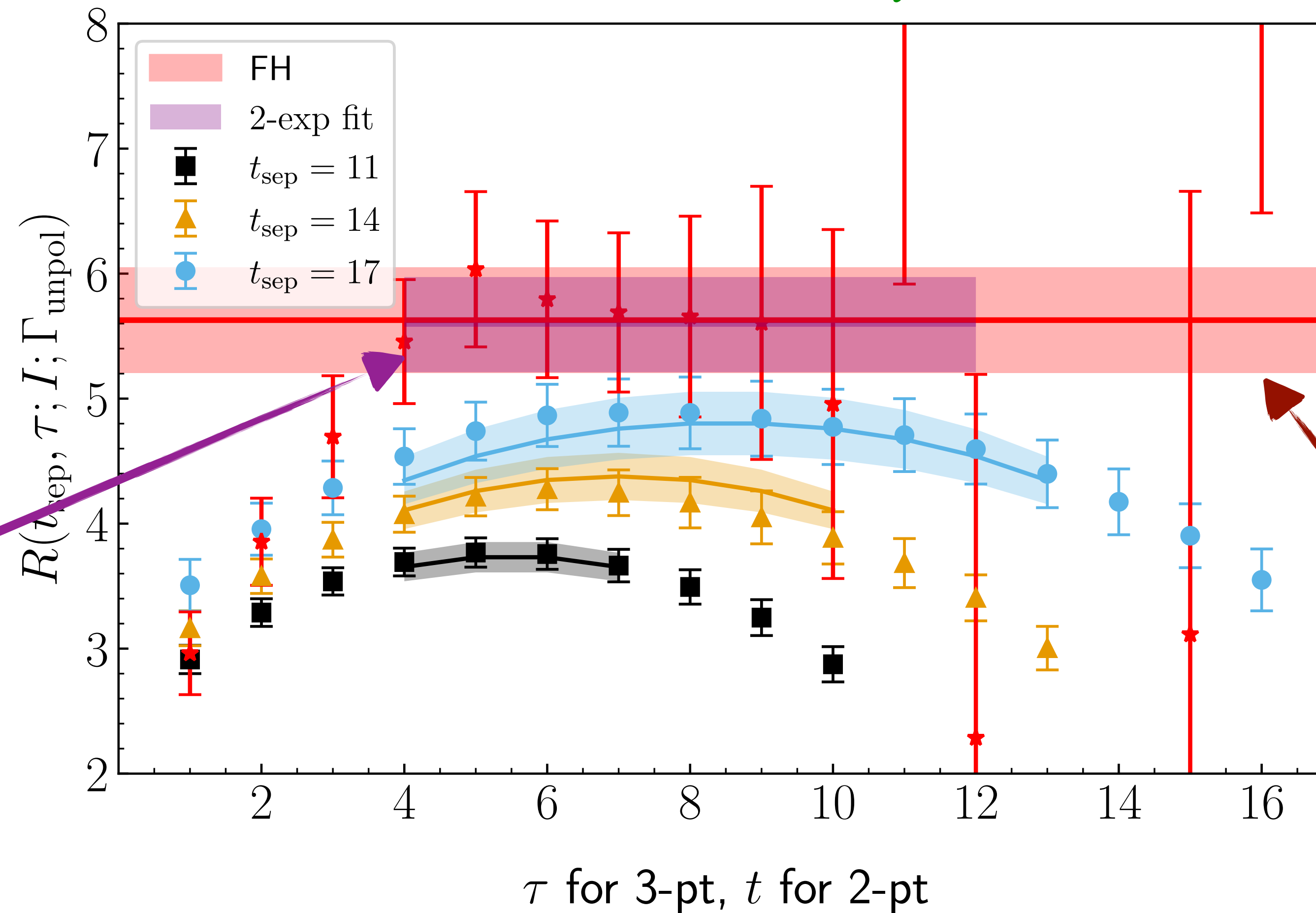
result uncertainty

Minimum time used in fit  $\sim 0.5$ - $0.55$  fm  
 $t = 10, 9, 8, 7, 6$  for  $a = 0.052, 0.058, 0.068, 0.074, 0.082$  fm  
 $m_\pi \approx 265$  MeV,  $a = 0.068$  fm,  $V = 48^3 \times 96$ ,  $\lambda = 5 \times 10^{-4}$

# Comparison to 3-point functions

$$m_\pi \approx 265 \text{ MeV}$$

$$a=0.068\text{fm}, V=48^3\times 96, \text{ \#measurements} = 534\times 2\text{sources}$$

 $g_S$ 

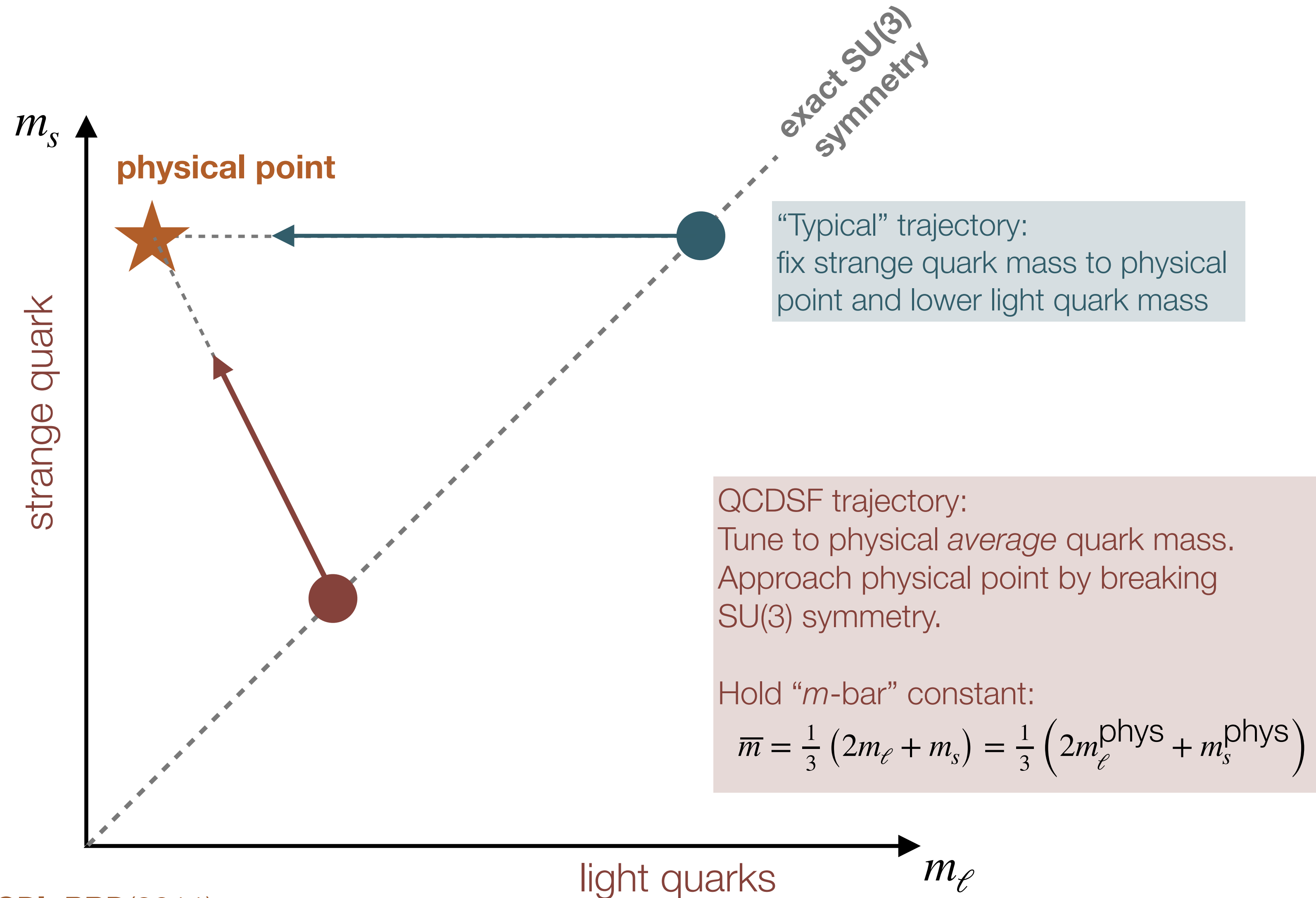
2-state fit

Feynman-Hellmann

Excellent agreement between Feynman-Hellmann and standard 3-point function methods



# Quark mass trajectory



# Flavour-breaking expansion

Bickerton, Horsley *et al.* [QCDSF], PRD(2019)

Consider general flavour matrix elements of octet baryons:

$$\langle B' | J^F | B \rangle = A_{B'FB}$$

In exact SU(3) limit, just 2 independent constants:

- $F$ - and  $D$ -type couplings

At linear order in SU(3) breaking: 5 slope parameters (3  $D$ 's & 2  $F$ 's)

- # of parameters (polynomials/operators) reduced by restricting to  $\bar{m} = \text{constant}$  line

$$F_1 \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(A_{\bar{N}\eta N} - A_{\bar{\Xi}\eta\Xi}) = 2f - \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}s_2\delta m_l,$$

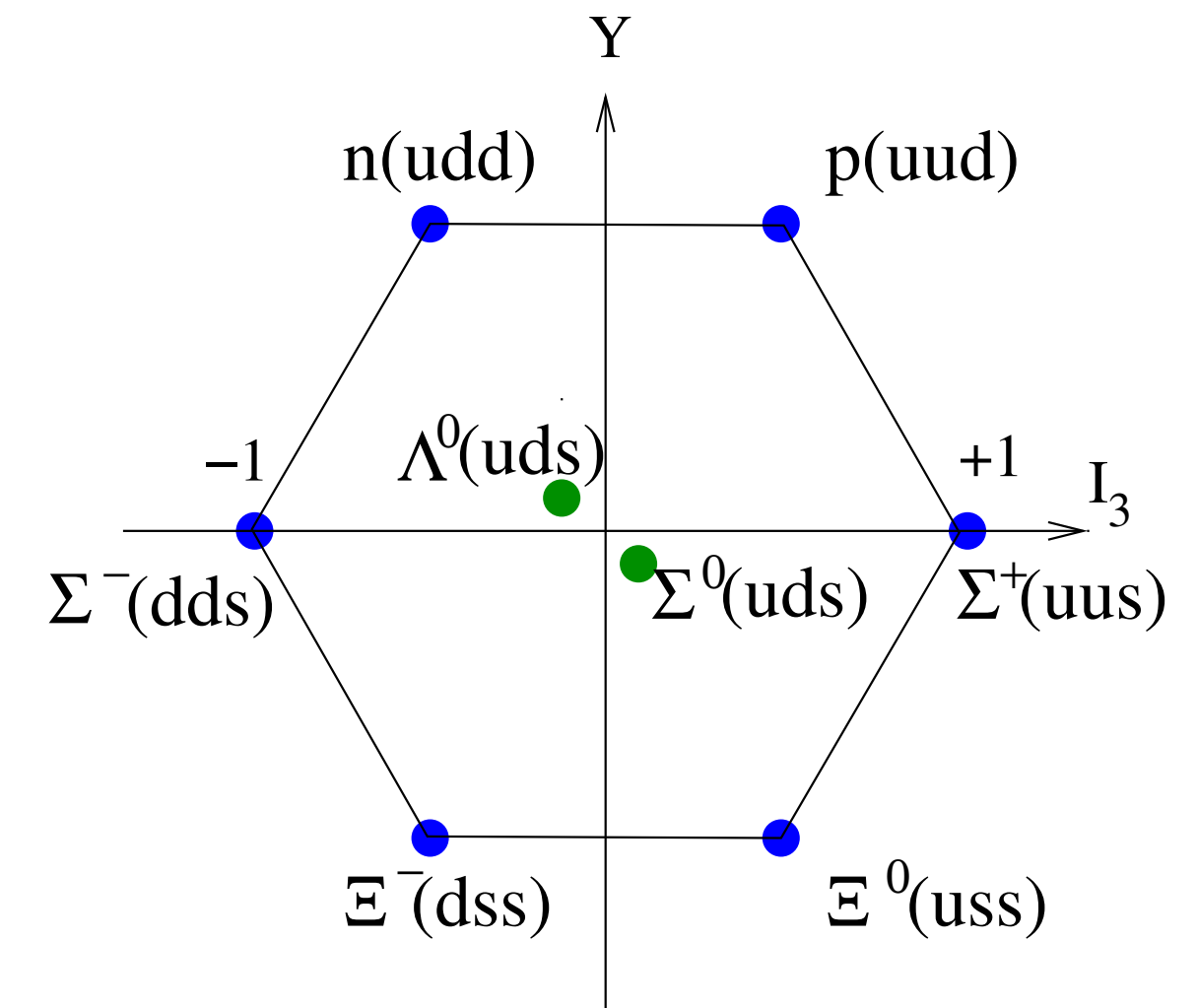
$$F_2 \equiv (A_{\bar{N}\pi N} + A_{\bar{\Xi}\pi\Xi}) = 2f + 4s_1\delta m_l,$$

$$F_3 \equiv A_{\bar{\Sigma}\pi\Sigma} = 2f + (-2s_1 + \sqrt{3}s_2)\delta m_l,$$

$$F_4 \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(A_{\bar{\Sigma}K\Xi} - A_{\bar{N}K\Sigma}) = 2f - 2s_1\delta m_l,$$

$$F_5 \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(A_{\bar{\Lambda}K\Xi} - A_{\bar{N}K\Lambda}) = 2f + \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}(\sqrt{3}s_1 - s_2)\delta m_l.$$

All matrix elements identical in the SU(3) symmetric limit



Index	Baryon ( $B$ )	Meson ( $F$ )	Current ( $J^F$ )
1	$n$	$K^0$	$\bar{d}\gamma s$
2	$p$	$K^+$	$\bar{u}\gamma s$
3	$\Sigma^-$	$\pi^-$	$\bar{d}\gamma u$
4	$\Sigma^0$	$\pi^0$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\bar{u}\gamma u - \bar{d}\gamma d)$
5	$\Lambda^0$	$\eta$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}(\bar{u}\gamma u + \bar{d}\gamma d - 2\bar{s}\gamma s)$
6	$\Sigma^+$	$\pi^+$	$\bar{u}\gamma d$
7	$\Xi^-$	$K^-$	$\bar{s}\gamma u$
8	$\Xi^0$	$\bar{K}^0$	$\bar{s}\gamma d$
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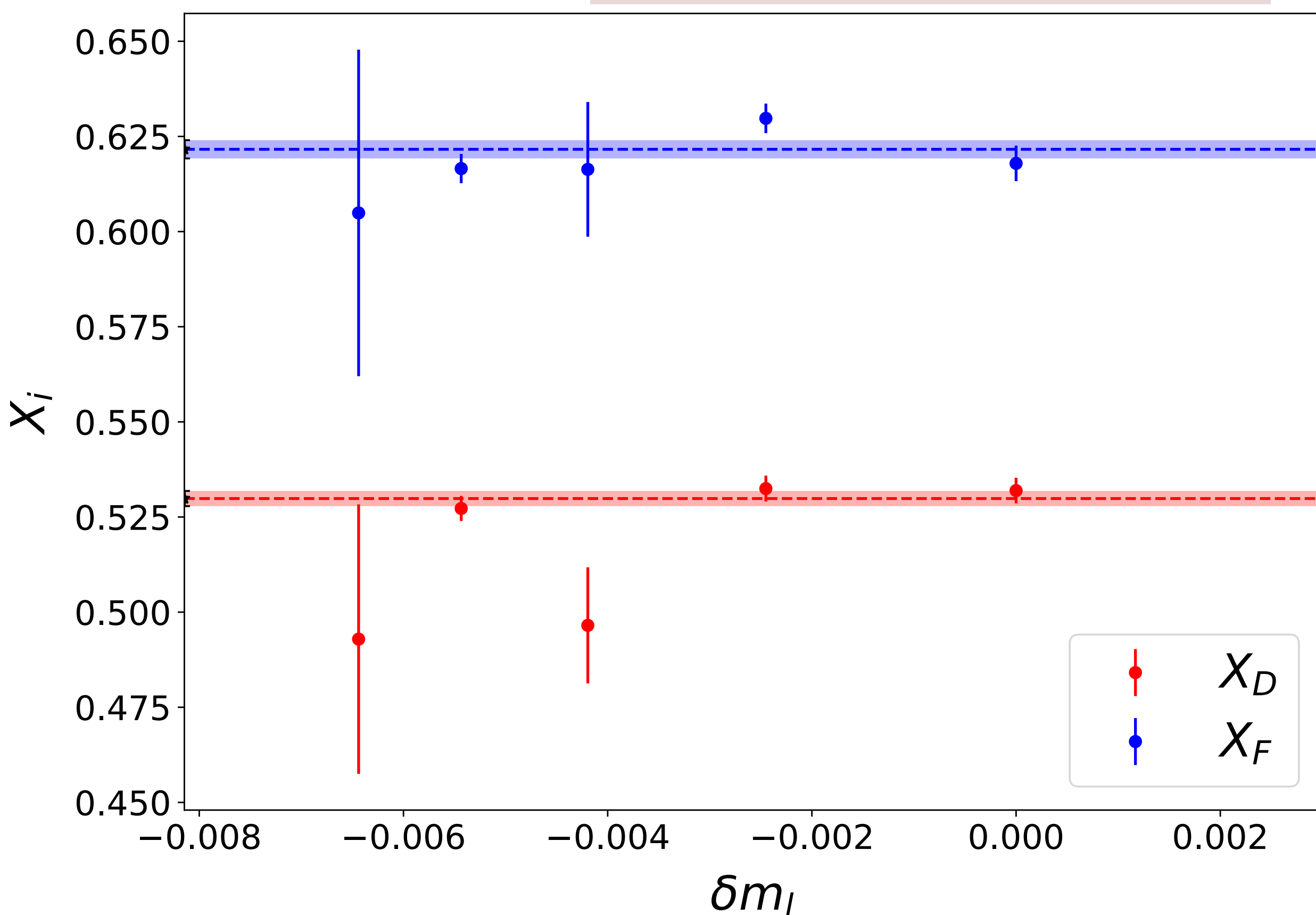
# Fan plots

$$a=0.068\text{fm}$$

Can form a “singlet” combination

$$X_F = \frac{1}{6}(3F_1 + F_2 + 2F_3) = 2f + \mathcal{O}(\delta m_\ell^2)$$

General result: Singlet quantities only vary at 2nd-order in SU(3) breaking.



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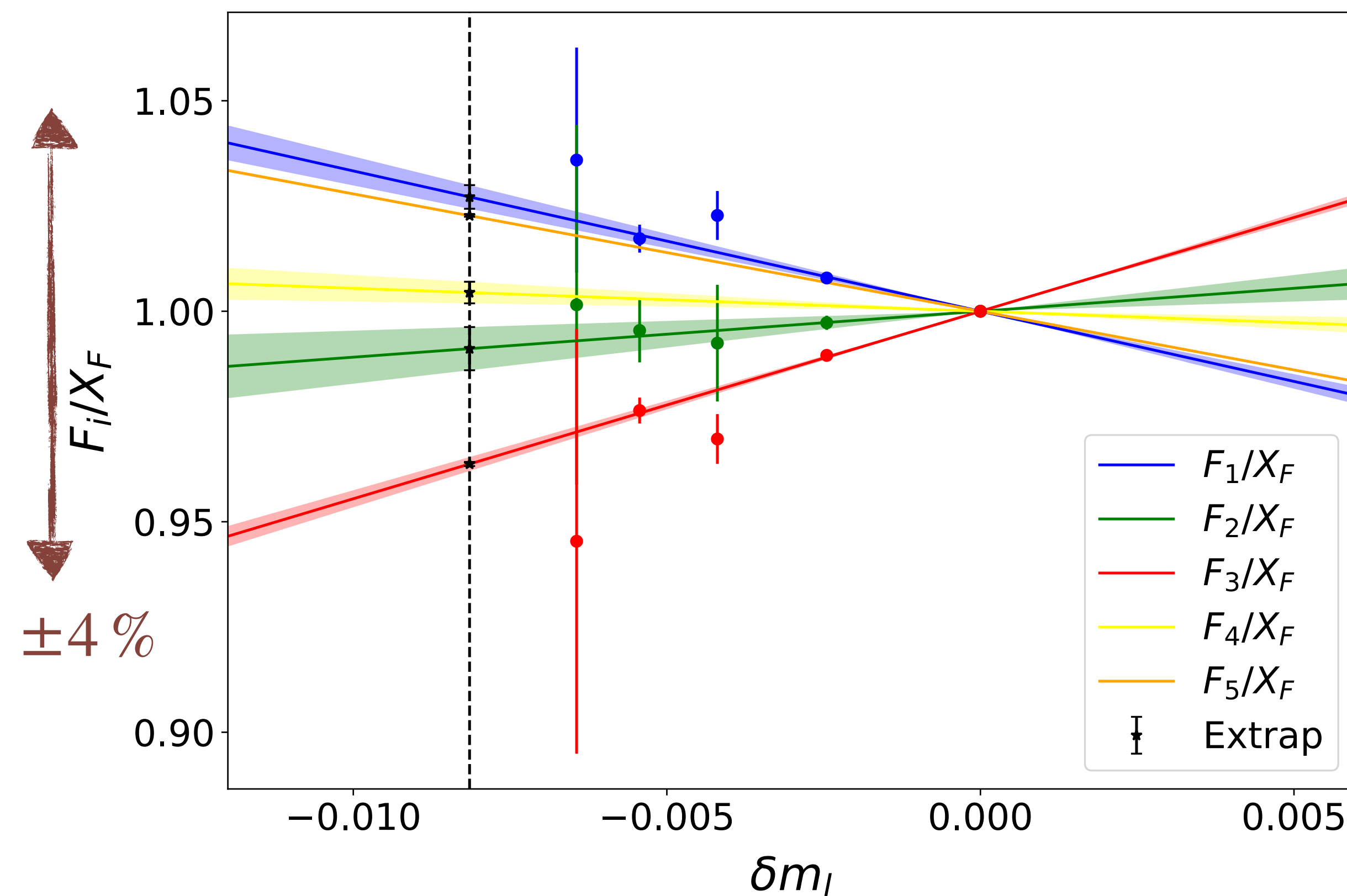
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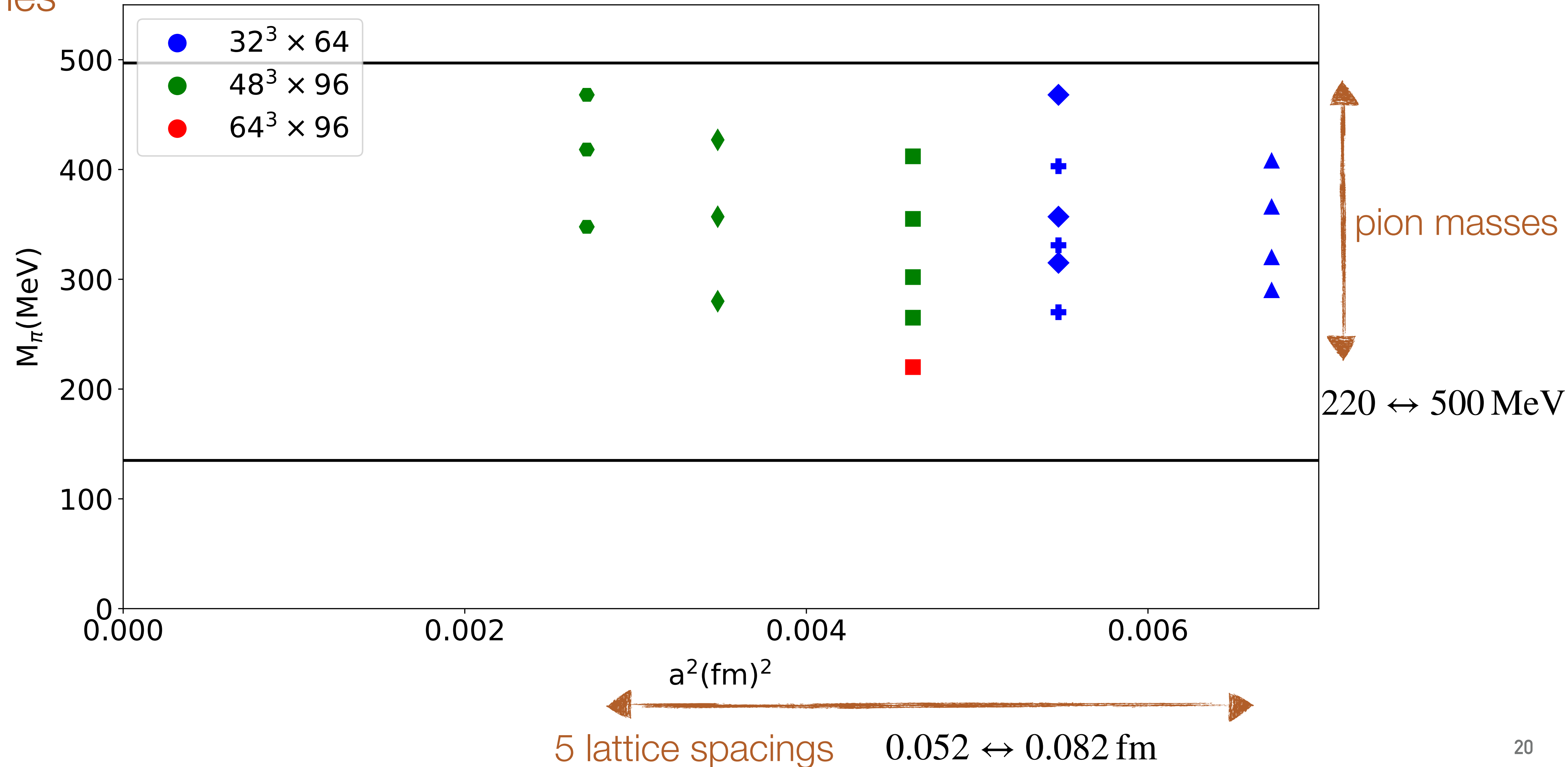
$F$  fan



# Simulation details

2+1 flavour, NP-improved Wilson fermions

3 volumes

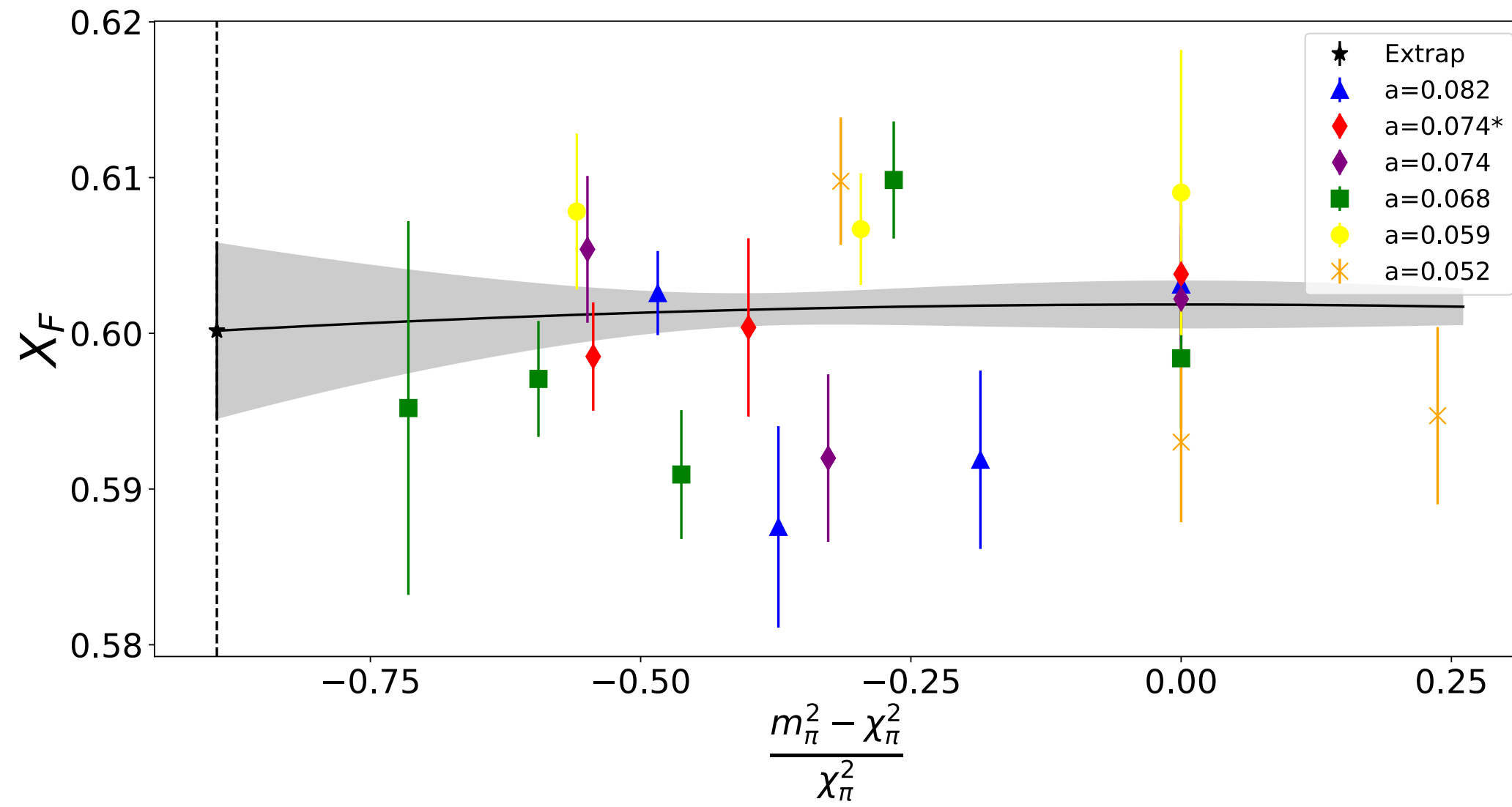




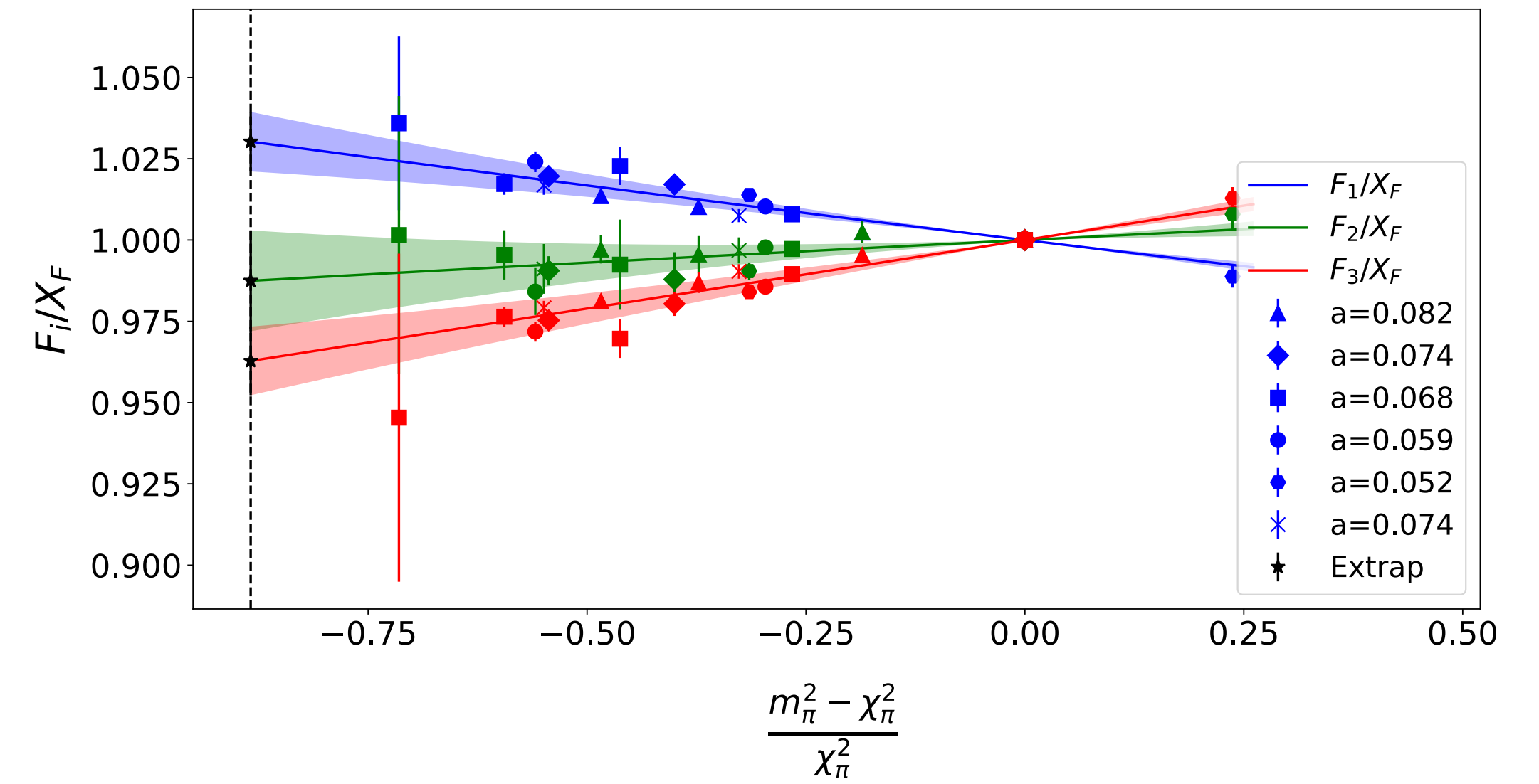
# Global fits

Quark mass only

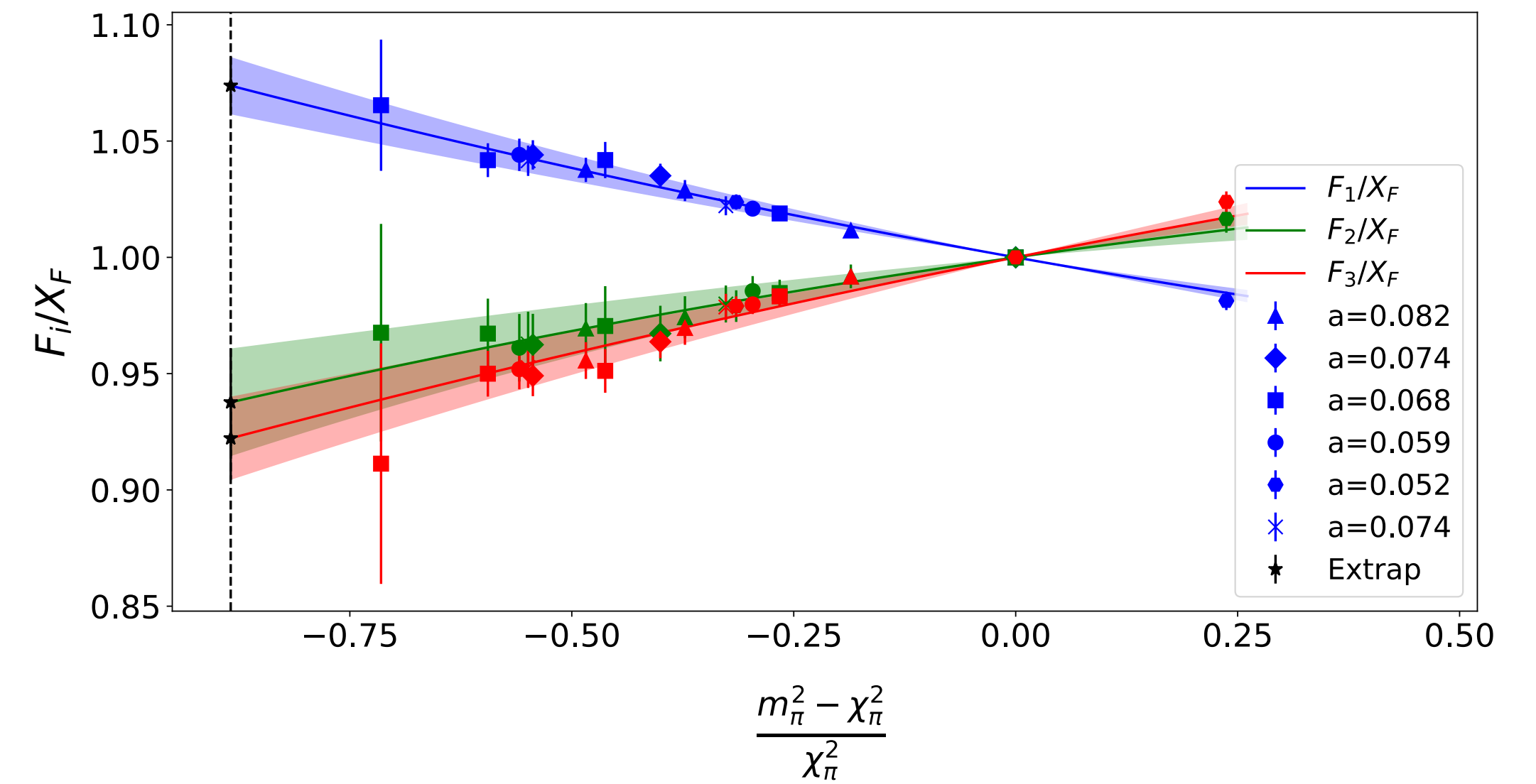
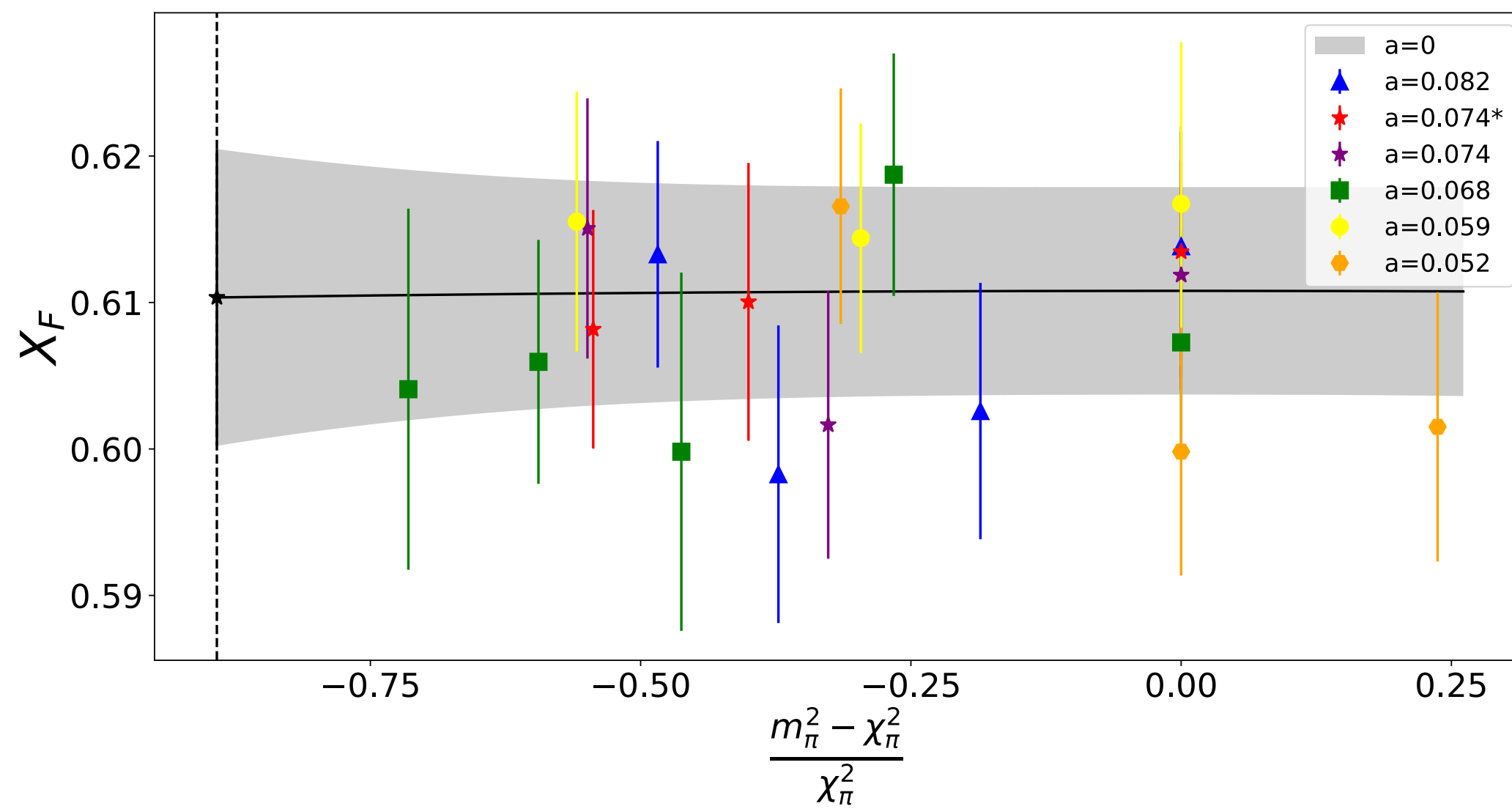
Singlet  $X_F$



$F$  slope parameters

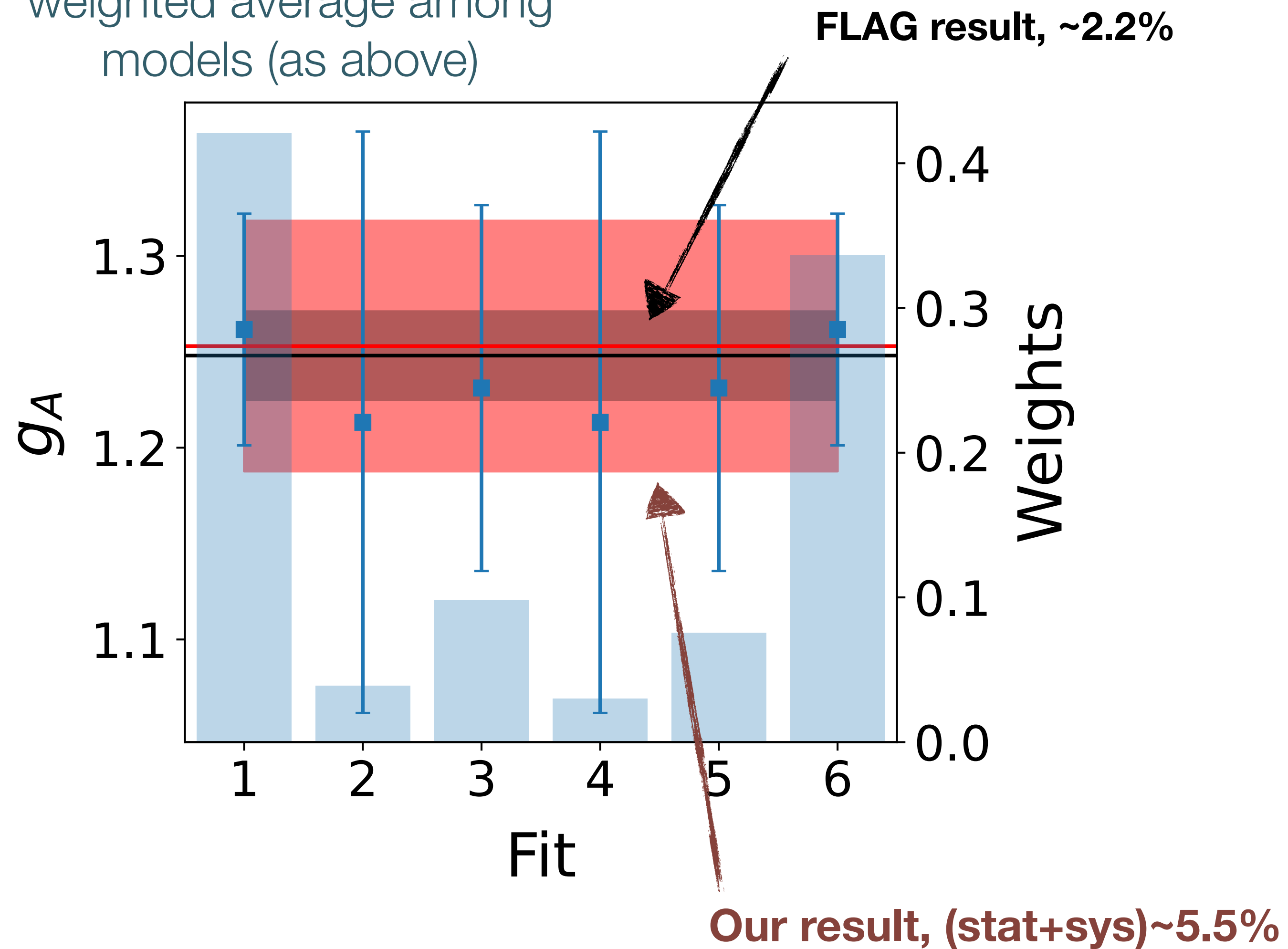


With  $O(a)$  and FV



# Results - $g_A$ (isovector)

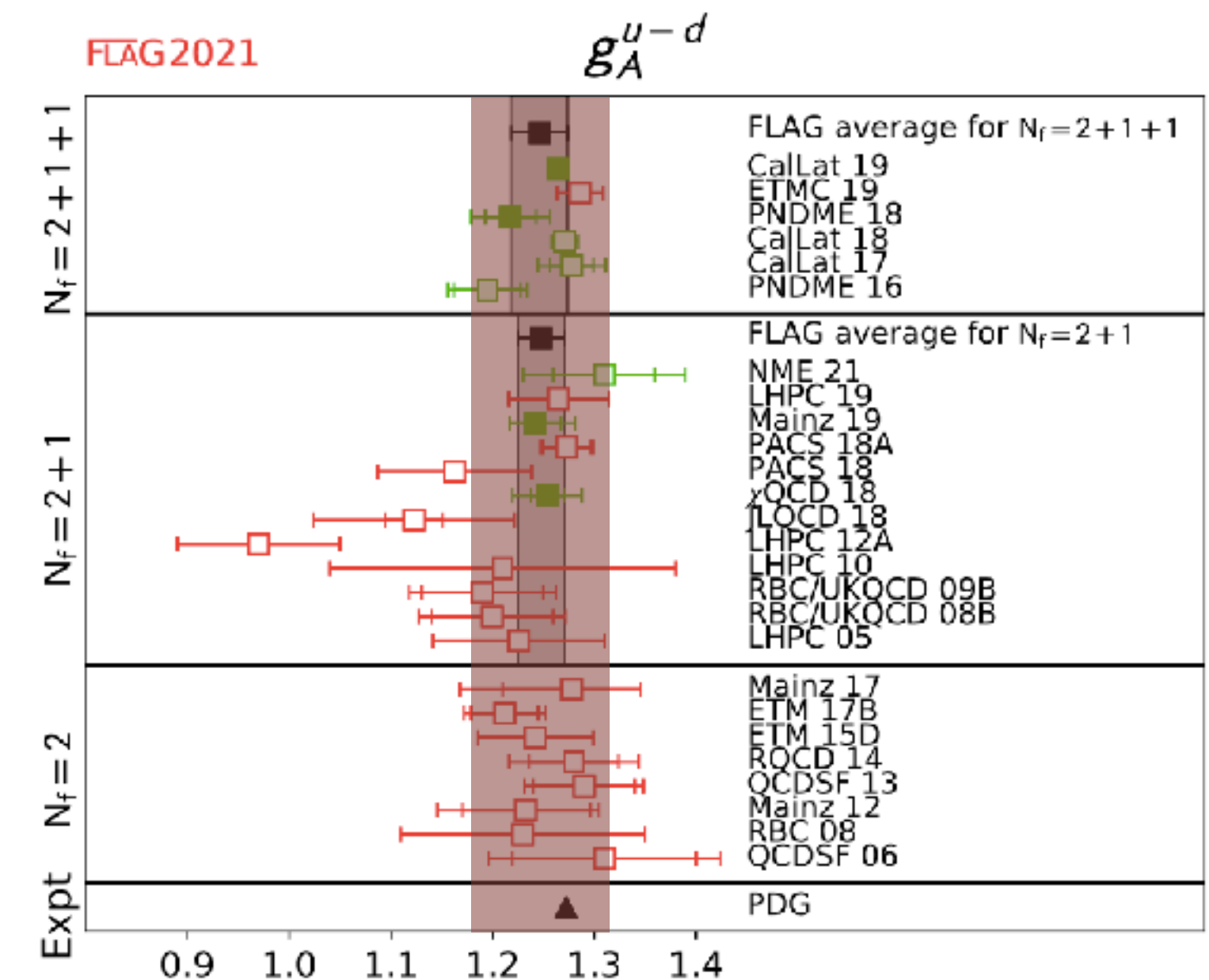
weighted average among  
models (as above)



$$g_A^{u-d} = 1.253(63)_{\text{stat}}(41)_a(03)_{\text{FV}}$$

## Different model parameterisations

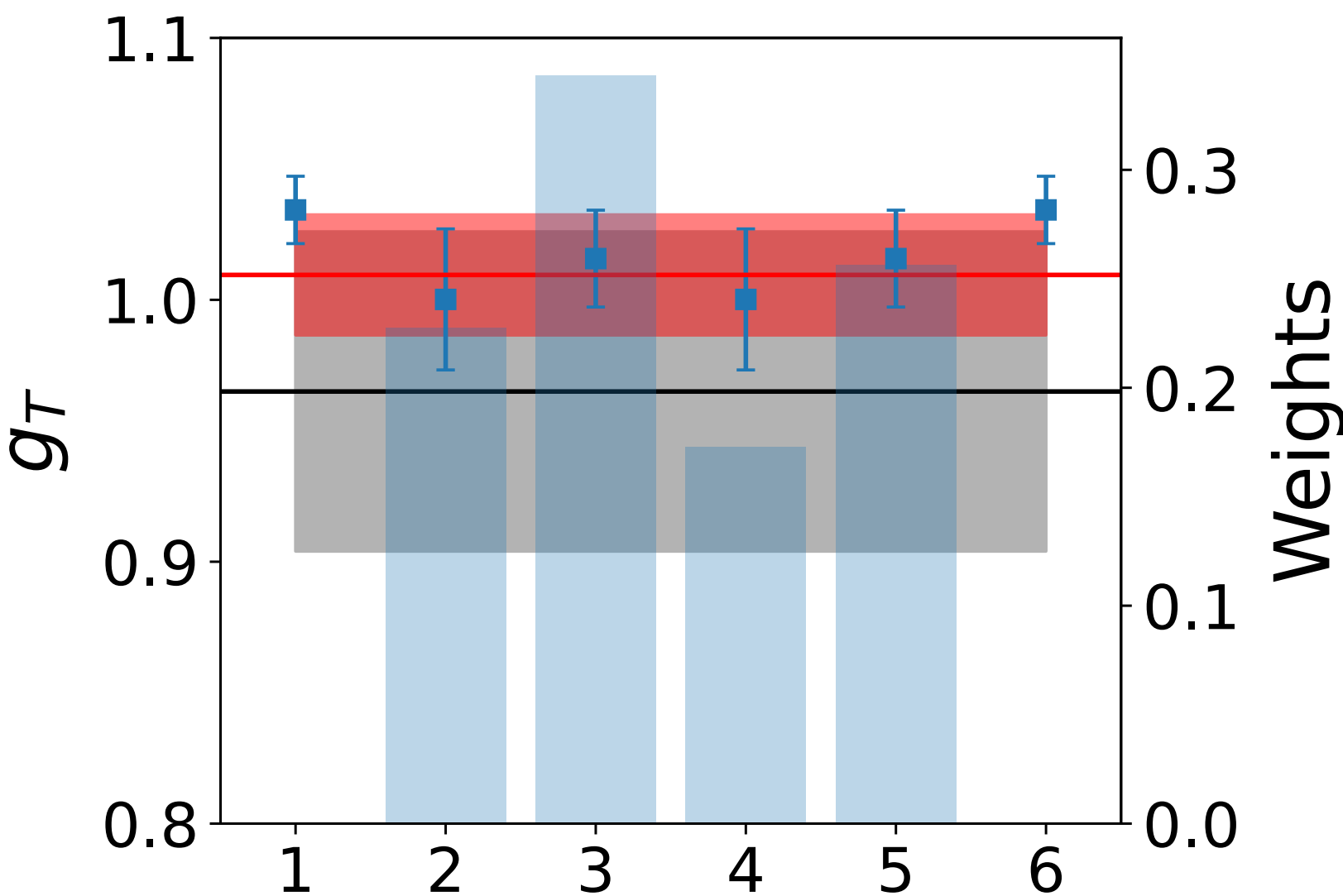
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2.  $a, \delta m_l^2$
3.  $a^2, \delta m_l^2$
4.  $a, \delta m_l^2, m_\pi L$
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6.  $\delta m_l^2, m_\pi L$





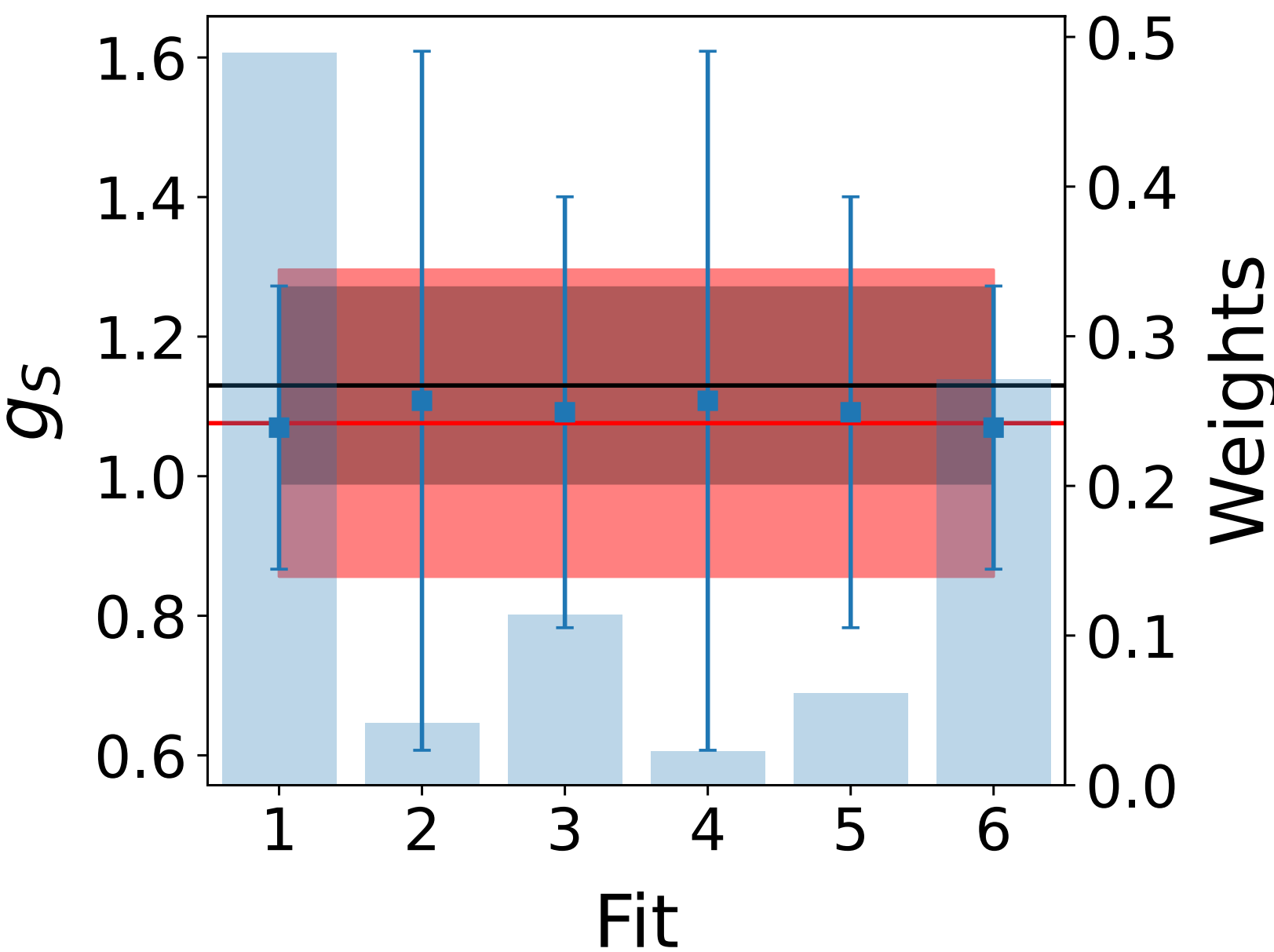
# Results - isovector charges $N_f = 2 + 1$

$\overline{\text{MS}}, \mu = 2 \text{ GeV}$



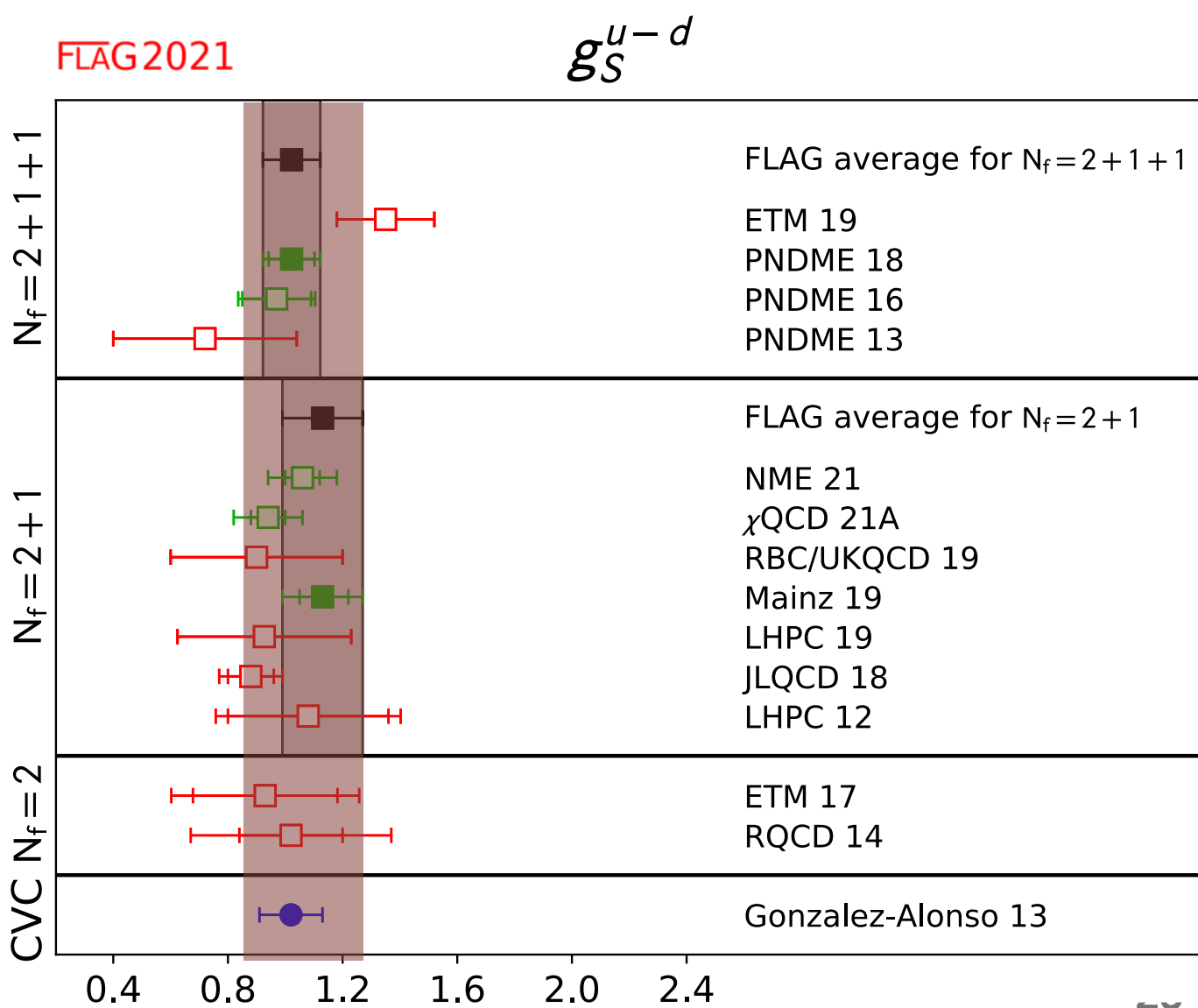
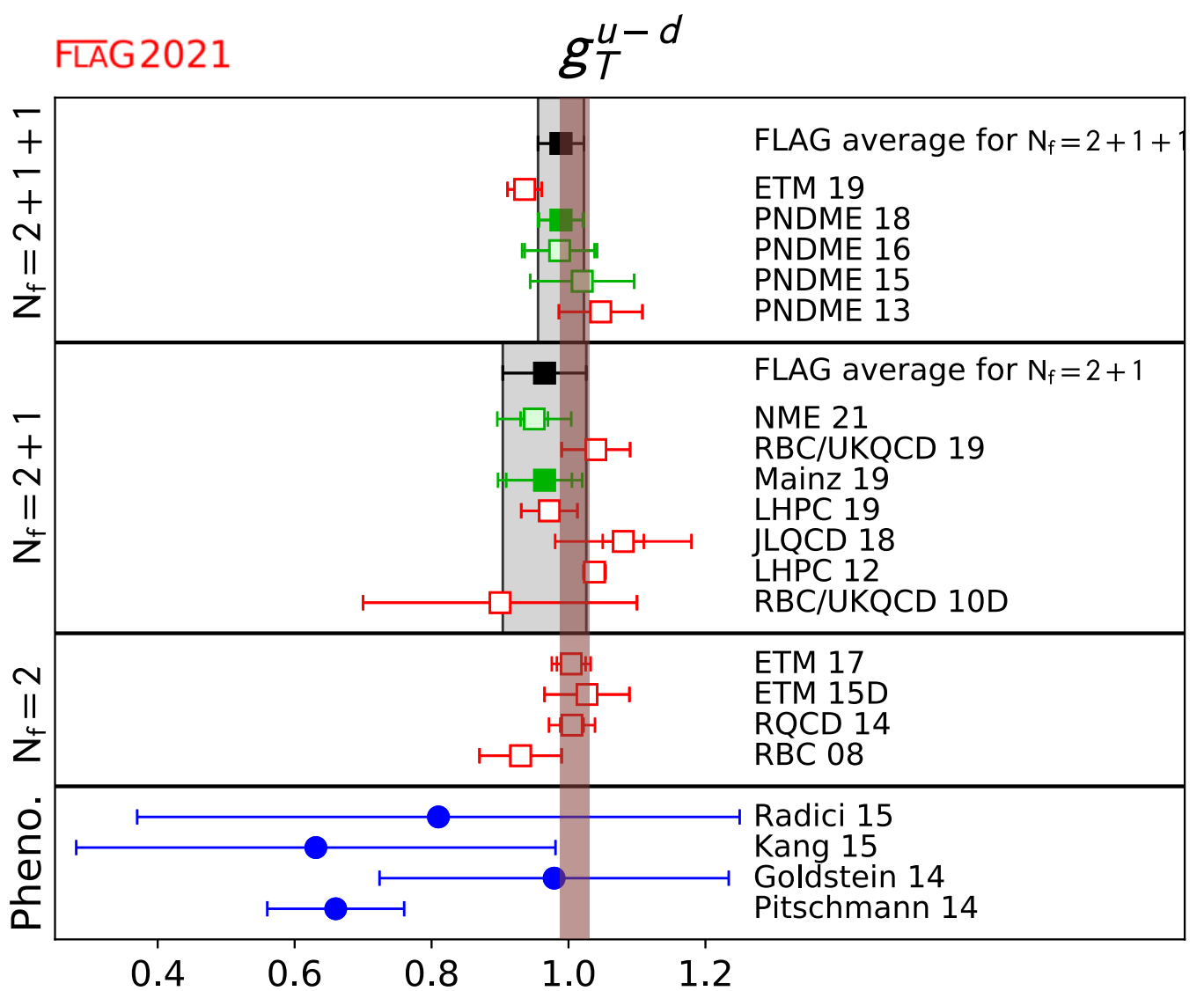
$$g_T^{u-d} = 1.010(21)_{\text{stat}}(12)_a(01)_{\text{FV}}$$

**FLAG 2+1: ~6%**  
**FLAG 2+1+1: ~3%**  
**Our result: ~2%**



$$g_S^{u-d} = 1.08(21)_{\text{stat}}(03)_a(01)_{\text{FV}}$$

**FLAG 2+1: ~12%**  
**Our result: ~19%**



Quark and gluon momentum fractions,  
 $\langle x \rangle_q, \langle x \rangle_g$

[PLB714 (2012) + in preparation]

# Motivation

- Long-standing question re: nucleon momentum:

*How is the nucleon's momentum distributed amongst its constituents?*

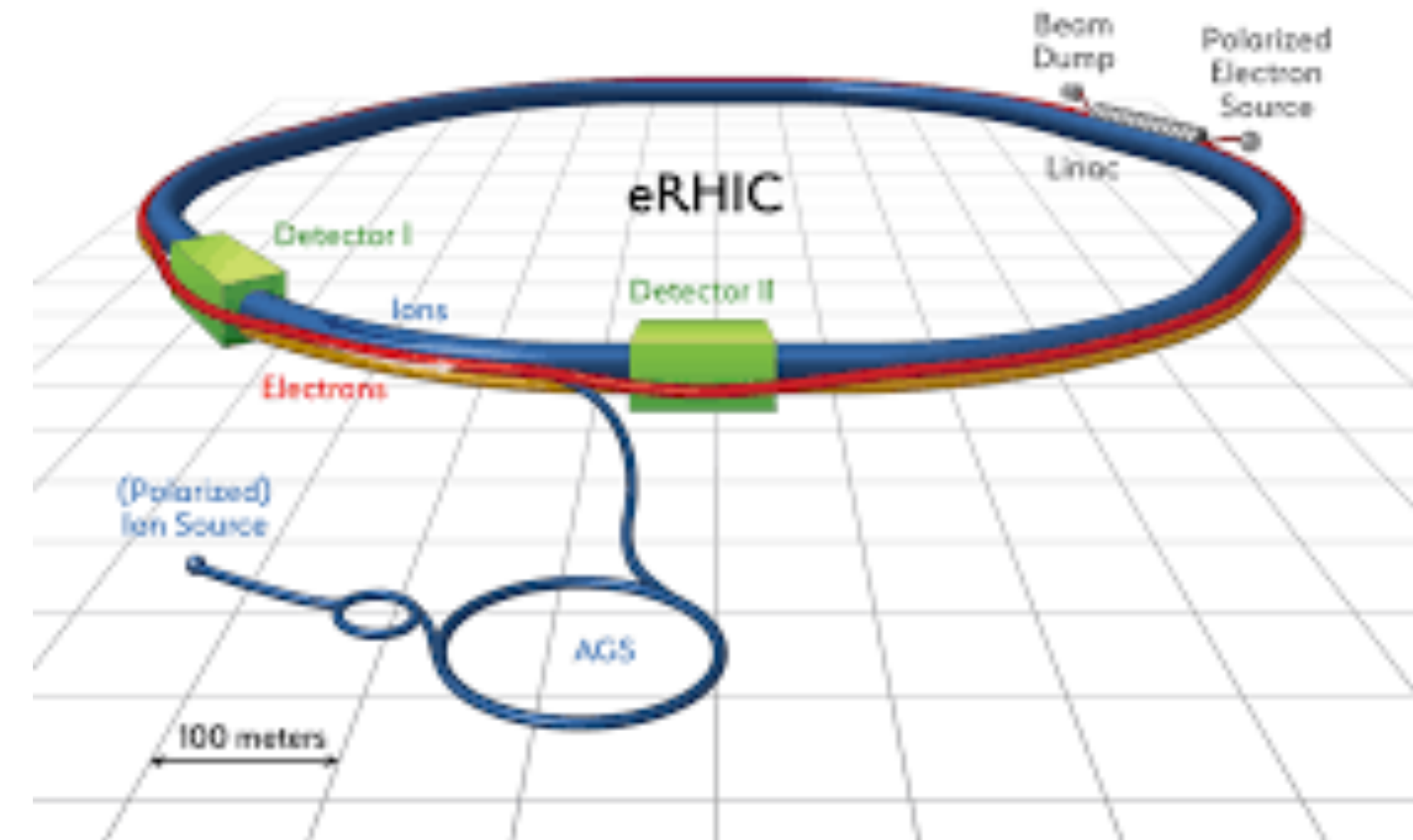
- Addressed experimentally @ JLab (now), EIC (future)
- Must satisfy the momentum rule

$$\sum_q \langle x \rangle_q + \langle x \rangle_g = 1$$

where

$\langle x \rangle_f$  = fraction of nucleon momentum carried by parton  $f=q,g$

- Experimentally :  $\langle x \rangle_g \sim \frac{1}{2}$
- Received much interest from Lattice QCD, but with challenges,
  - e.g. statistical noise in  $\langle x \rangle_g$  due disconnected nature





# Motivation

Renormalisation: Mixing between  $\langle x \rangle_q$  and  $\langle x \rangle_g$

$$\text{i.e. } \sum_q \langle x \rangle_q^R + \langle x \rangle_g^R = 1 = Z_q \sum_q \langle x \rangle_q^{lat} + Z_g \langle x \rangle_g^{lat}$$

does not necessarily mean

$$\langle x \rangle_q^R = Z_q \langle x \rangle_q^{lat} \quad \text{or} \quad \langle x \rangle_g^R = Z_g \langle x \rangle_g^{lat}$$

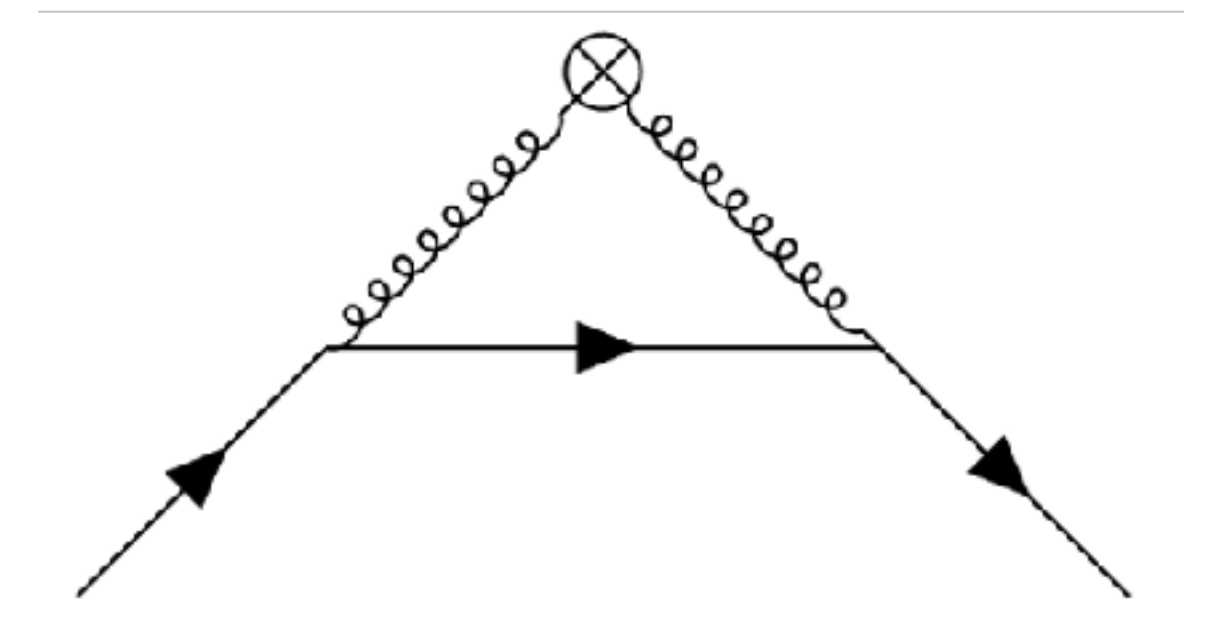
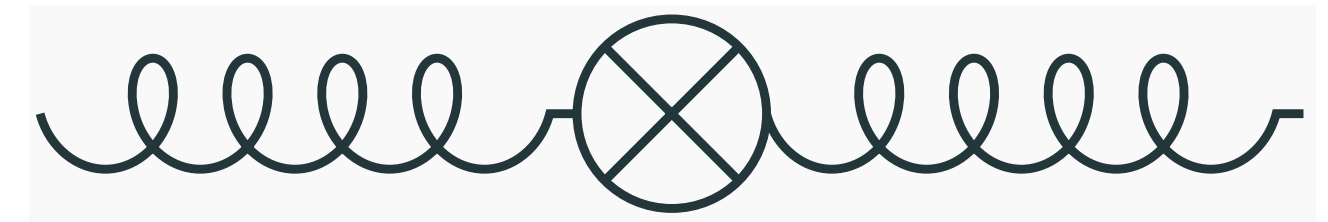
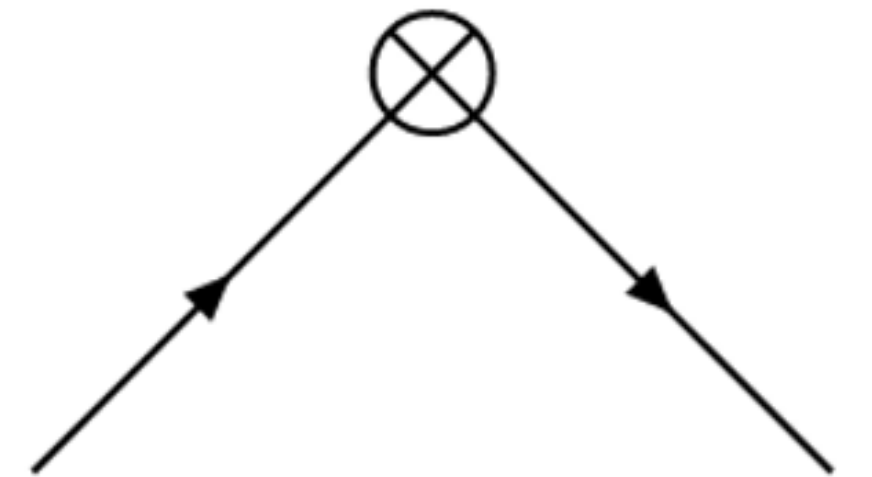
e.g.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_q \end{pmatrix}^R = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{gg} & Z_{gq} \\ Z_{qg} & Z_{qq} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_q \end{pmatrix}^{lat}$$

$$\Rightarrow Z_g = Z_{gg} + Z_{qg} \qquad Z_q = Z_{gq} + Z_{qq}$$

Recent progress in NP determination of  $Z_{gg}$

Mixing due to  $Z_{qg}$ ,  $Z_{gq}$  often ignored or computed perturbatively



# Determining $\langle x \rangle_{q,g}$

Require matrix elements

$$\langle N(\vec{p}) | \mathcal{O}_f^{(b)} | N(\vec{p}) \rangle = 2(m_N^2 + \frac{4}{3}\vec{p}^2) \langle x \rangle_f$$

which can be computed at  $\vec{p} = 0$  (for  $\mathcal{O}^{(b)}$ )

Typically obtained via 3-point functions

$$\mathcal{O}^{(b)} = \mathcal{O}_{44} - \frac{1}{3}\mathcal{O}_{ii}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^{(g)} = -\text{Tr}_c F_{\mu\alpha} F_{\nu\alpha} , \quad \mathcal{O}_g^{(b)} = \frac{2}{3}\text{Tr}_c (-\mathcal{E}^2 + \mathcal{B}^2)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mu\nu}^{(q)} = \bar{q}\gamma_\mu \overleftrightarrow{D}_\nu q , \quad \mathcal{O}_q^{(b)} = \bar{q}\gamma_4 \overleftrightarrow{D}_4 q - \frac{1}{3}\bar{q}\gamma_i \overleftrightarrow{D}_i q$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\tau) = \int d^3x \mathcal{O}(\tau, \vec{x})$$

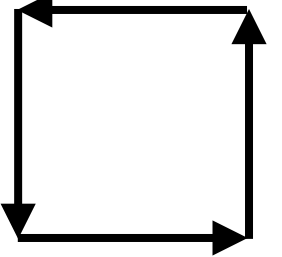
This work: Feynman-Hellmann theorem *[following QCDSF(2012)]*

Compute 2-point functions in the presence of a modification to the action  $S \rightarrow S(\lambda) = S + \lambda \sum_z \mathcal{O}(z)$

Matrix elements determined from energy shifts  $\left. \frac{\partial E_\lambda}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0} = \frac{1}{2E} \left\langle N \left| : \frac{\partial S_\lambda}{\partial \lambda} : \right| N \right\rangle \Big|_{\lambda=0}$


# The modified action

Wilson gluonic action: 
$$S_g = \frac{1}{3}\beta \sum_{x, \mu < \nu} \text{Re Tr}_c \left[ 1 - U_{\mu\nu}^{\square} \right] = \sum_{\tau} \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}_c \left[ \mathcal{E}^2(\tau) + \mathcal{B}^2(\tau) \right]$$

$U_{\mu\nu}^{\square} =$  

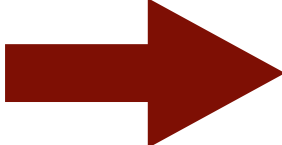
Modify with gluon operator  $\mathcal{O}_g^{(b)}$ :

$$S_g(\lambda_g) = \frac{1}{3}\beta(1 + \lambda_g) \sum_{x,i} \text{Re Tr}_c(1 - U_{i4}^{\square}(x)) + \frac{1}{3}\beta(1 - \lambda_g) \sum_{x,i < j} \text{Re Tr}_c(1 - U_{ij}^{\square}(x))$$

 *anisotropic action*

Similarity modify Wilson/Clover action with  $\mathcal{O}_q^{(b)}$ :

$$S_q^W(\lambda) = \sum_x \bar{q}(x)q(x) - \kappa \left[ \sum_x \bar{q}(x) \left( 1 - (1 + \lambda_q)\gamma_4 \right) U_4(x) q(x + \hat{4}) + \sum_x \bar{q}(x + \hat{4}) \left( 1 + (1 + \lambda_q)\gamma_4 \right) U_4^{\dagger}(x) q(x) + \right. \\ \left. \sum_{x,i} \bar{q}(x) \left( 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3}\lambda_q \right) \gamma_i \right) U_i(x) q(x + \hat{i}) + \sum_{x,i} \bar{q}(x + \hat{i}) \left( 1 + \left( 1 - \frac{1}{3}\lambda_q \right) \gamma_i \right) U_i^{\dagger}(x) q(x) \right]$$

 *modified hopping term*



# Simulation details

Quenched QCD  $\longrightarrow$  *no disconnected quarks and  $Z_{qg} = 0$*

Volume:  $24^3 \times 48$

Wilson glue,  $\beta = 6.0 \implies a = 0.1\text{fm}$

5 values of  $\lambda_g$

$N_s$	$N_t$	$\beta$	$\lambda_g$	$\beta_{\text{input}}$	$\xi_{\text{input}}$	$N_{\text{cfg}}$
24	48	6.0	-0.0666	5.9867	0.9354	1000
24	48	6.0	-0.0333	5.9967	0.9672	1000
24	48	6.0	0	6.0	1	1000
24	48	6.0	+0.0333	5.9967	1.0340	1000
24	48	6.0	+0.0666	5.9867	1.0689	1000

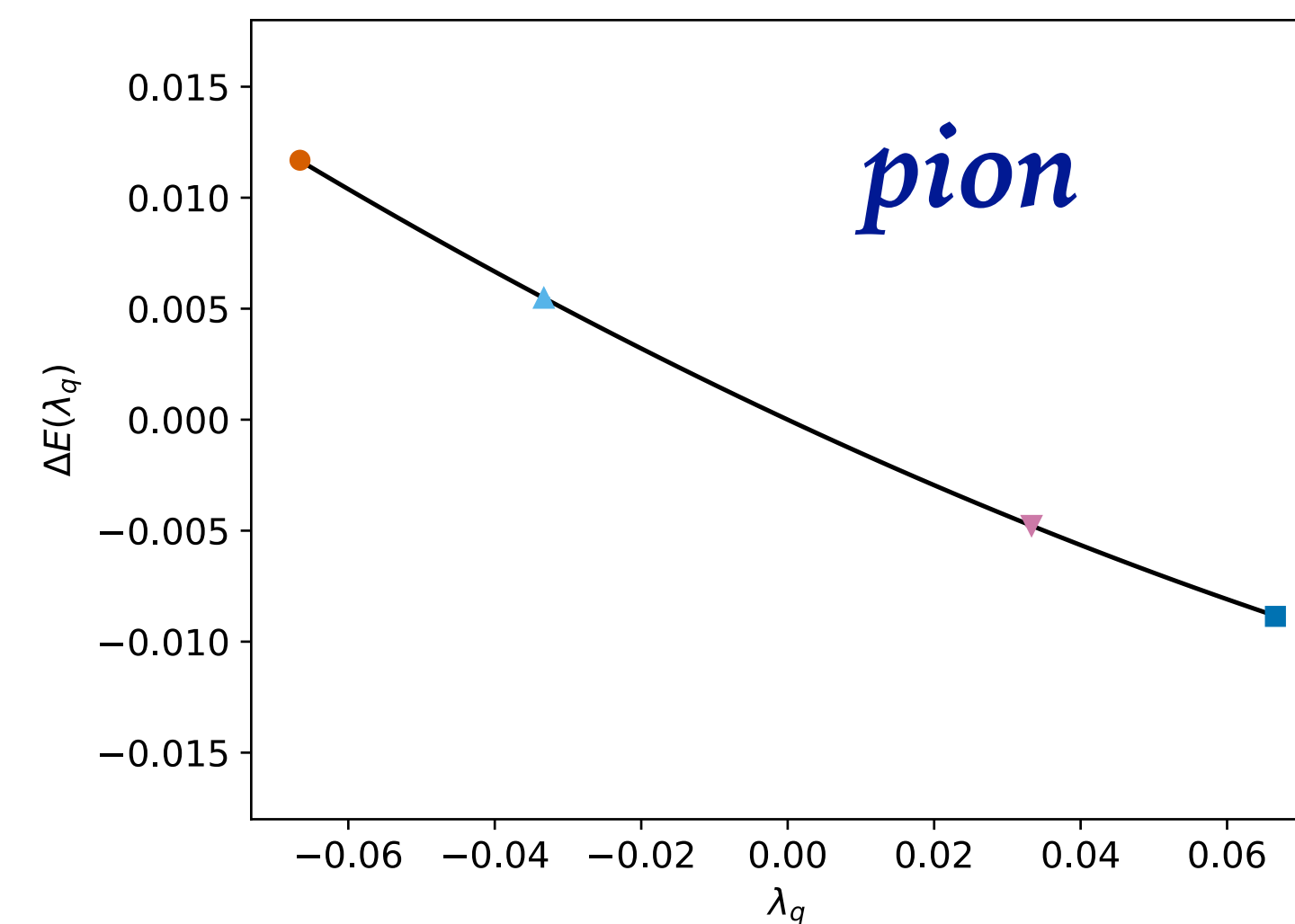
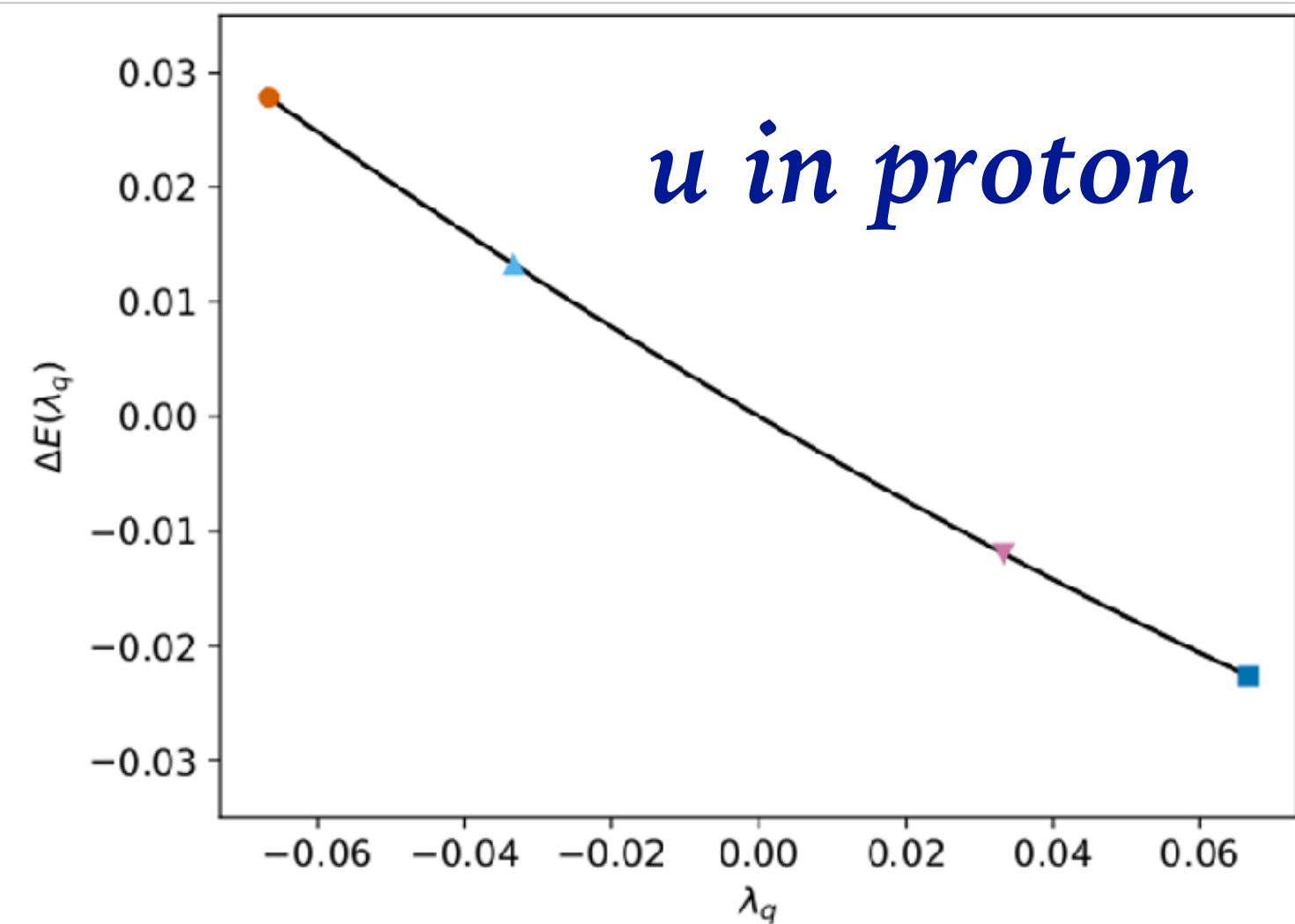
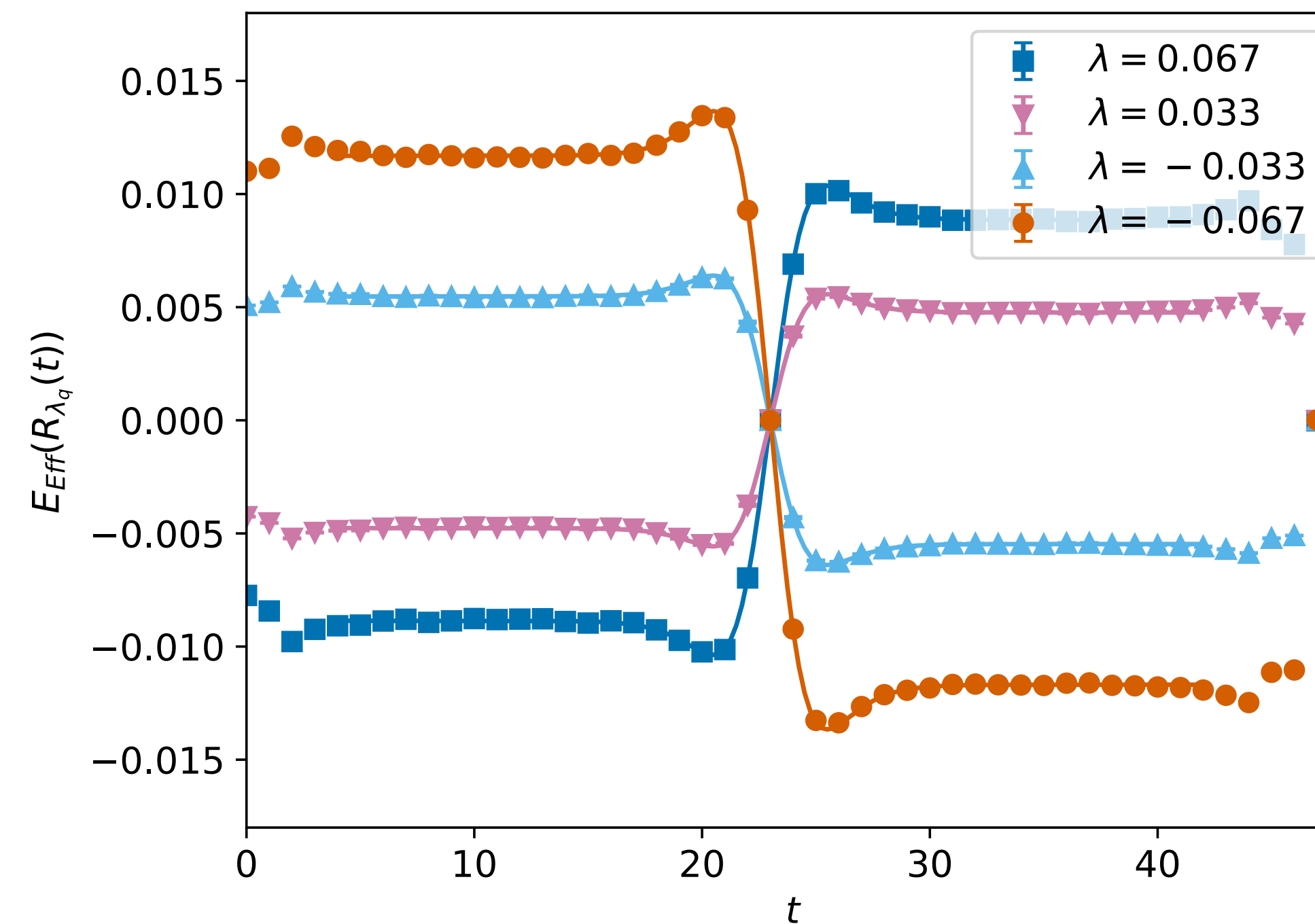
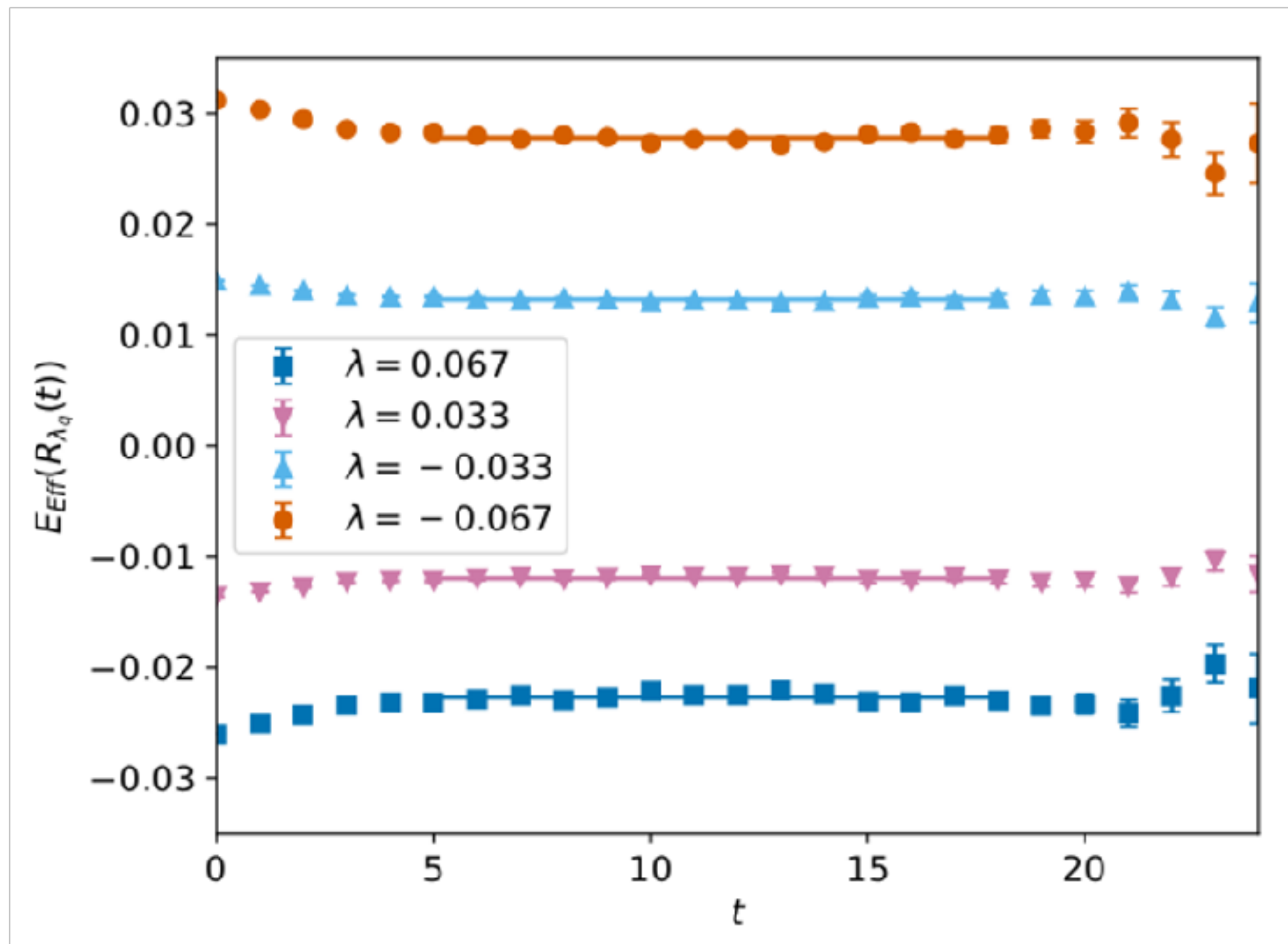
NP-clover action for valence quarks

$\kappa = 0.1320, 0.1333, 0.1342 \longrightarrow m_\pi \approx 1080, 820, 600 \text{ MeV}$

5 values of  $\lambda_q = -0.0666, -0.0333, 0, +0.0333, +0.0666$

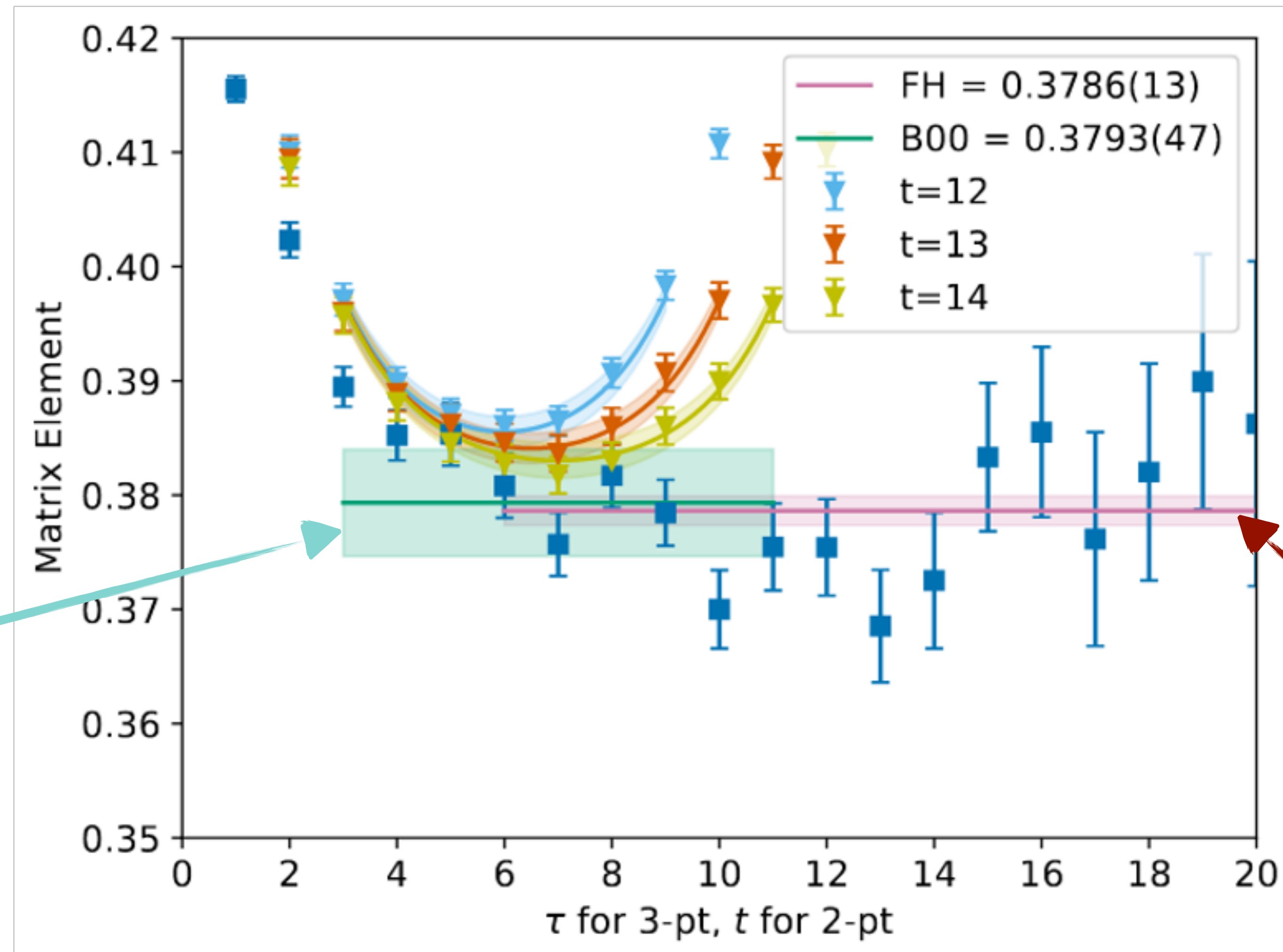
# Energy shifts: Quark operator

$$m_\pi \approx 1065 \text{ MeV}$$



# Quark operator - comparison to 3-point functions

$$m_\pi \approx 1065 \text{ MeV}$$



*2-state fit*

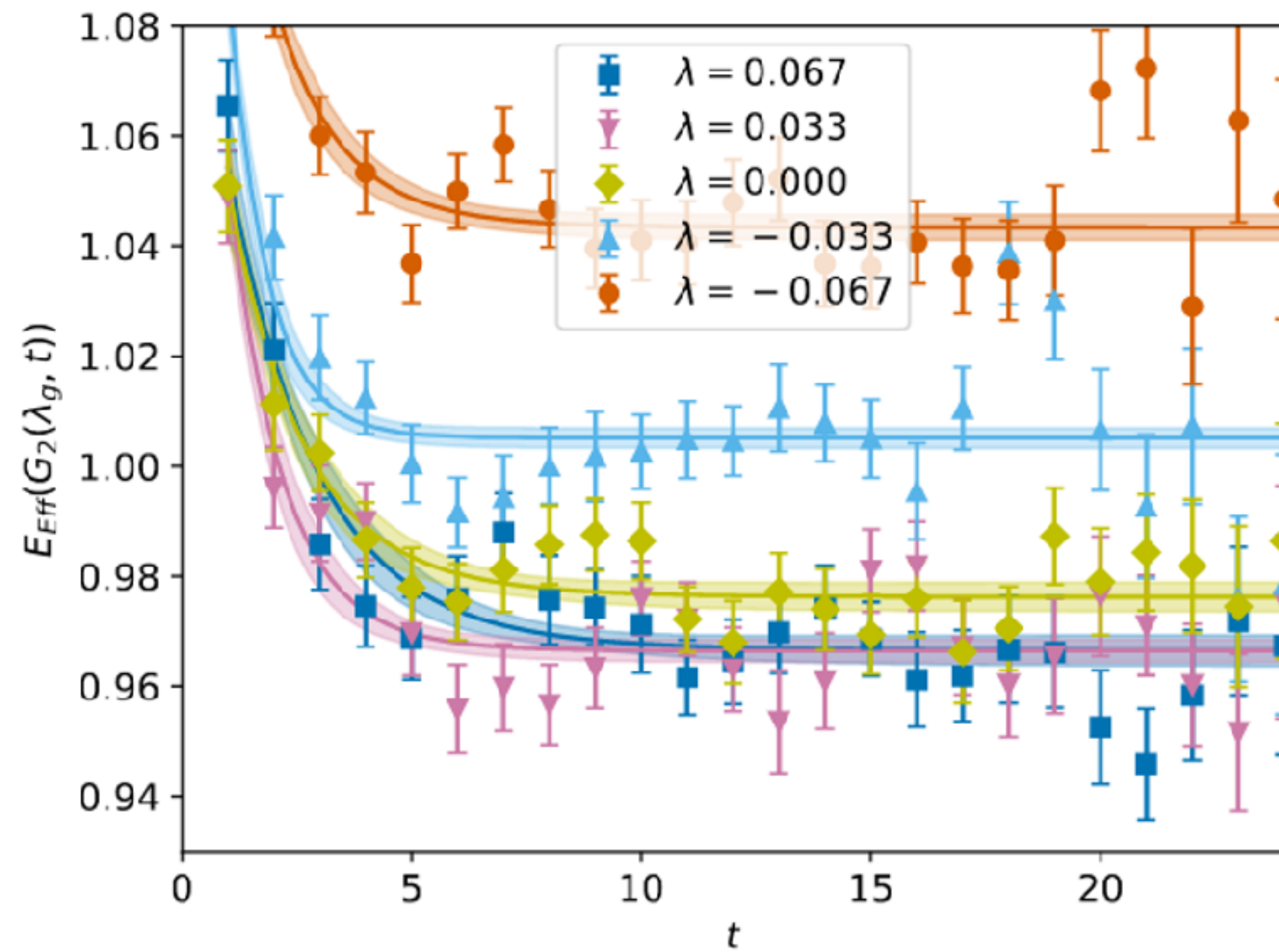
*Feynman-Hellmann*

Excellent agreement between Feynman-Hellmann and standard 3-point function methods



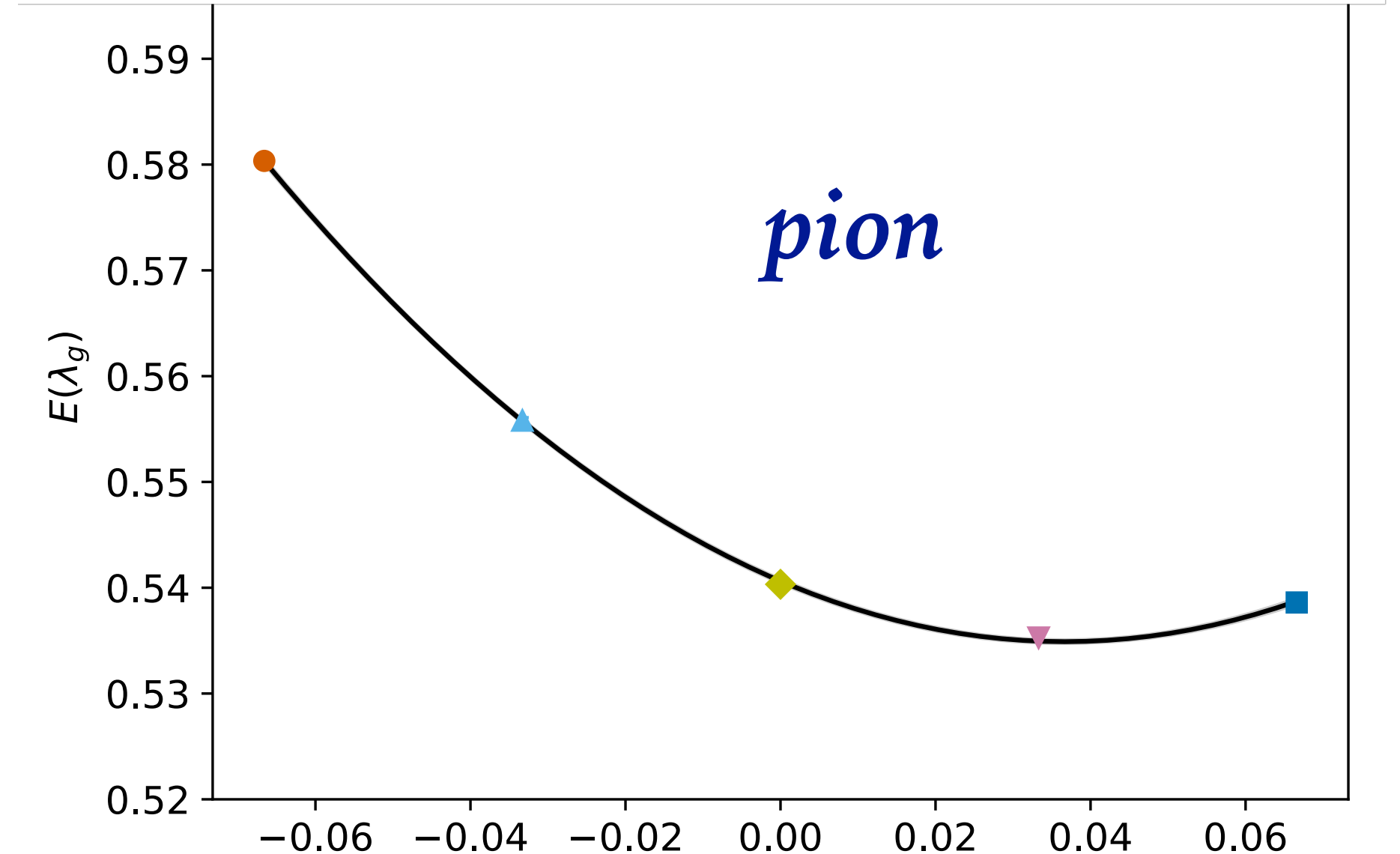
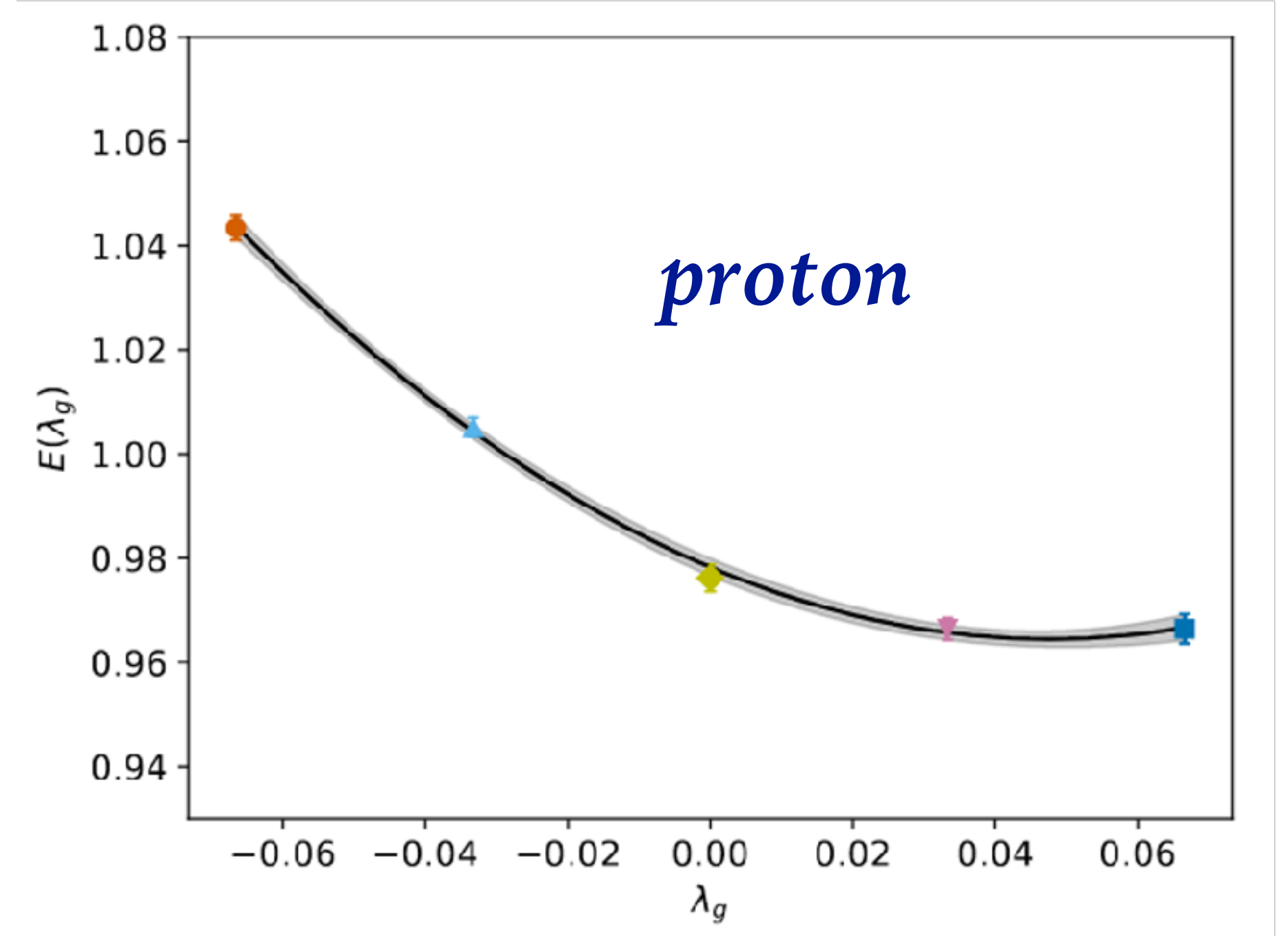
# Energies: Gluon operator

$$m_\pi \approx 1065 \text{ MeV}$$

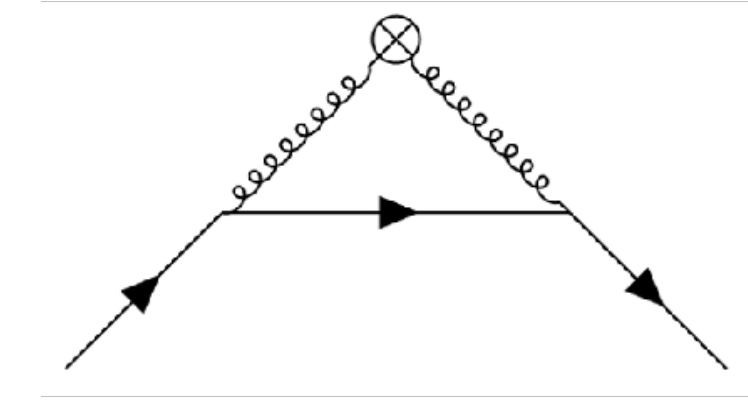


Data points are entirely uncorrelated, from separate ensembles.

Good agreement with quadratic fit, no significant cubic term.



# Renormalisation



Recall quark-gluon mixing under renormalisation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_q \end{pmatrix}^R = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{gg} & Z_{gq} \\ Z_{qg} & Z_{qq} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_q \end{pmatrix}^{lat}$$

But  $Z_{qg} = 0$  in quenched QCD

➔ for  $n_f = 0$  with  $m_u = m_d$

and

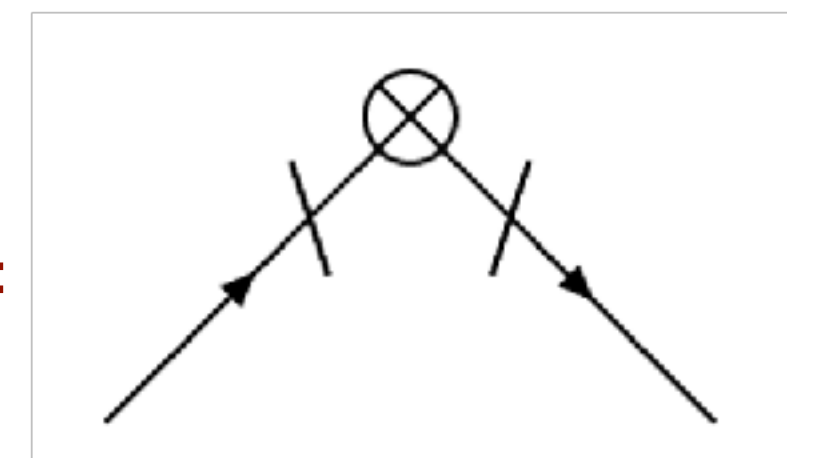
$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_u \\ \langle x \rangle_d \end{pmatrix}^R = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{gg} & Z_{gq} & Z_{gq} \\ 0 & Z_{qq} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Z_{qq} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_u^{con} \\ \langle x \rangle_d^{con} \end{pmatrix}^{lat}$$

$$\left( \langle x \rangle_g + \langle x \rangle_u + \langle x \rangle_d \right)^R = Z_g \langle x \rangle_g^{lat} + Z_q \left( \langle x \rangle_u + \langle x \rangle_d \right)^{lat} = 1$$

with  $Z_g, Z_q$  depending only on coupling  $g$  and

$$Z_g = Z_{gg} \quad \text{and} \quad Z_q = Z_{gq}^{\overline{\text{MS}}} + Z_{qq}^{\overline{\text{MS}}}$$

We will employ RI'-MOM, e.g.  $\frac{1}{12} \text{Tr} \left( \Gamma^R [\Gamma^{\text{Tree}}]^{-1} \right) = 1$ ,  $\Gamma^R = Z_{\mathcal{O}} Z_{\psi}^{-1} \Gamma^{lat}$  and  $\Gamma^{lat} =$



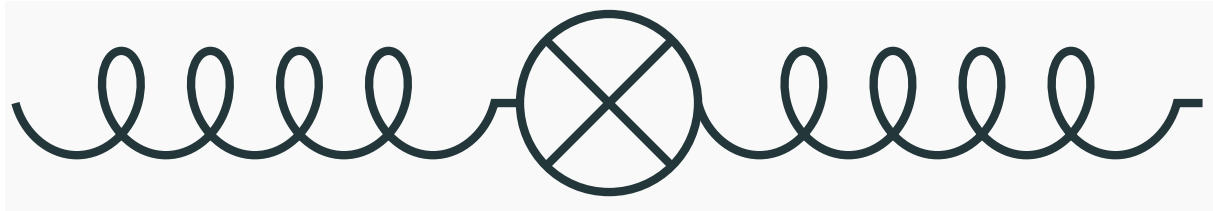
[NPB445(1994), NPB544(1999)]

# Renormalisation - FH

*Similar to: QCDSF(2015)  
[PLB740 (2015)]*

Extract 3-point functions from perturbed quark/gluon propagators

Generate propagators on same modified gauge fields as above

**Gluon:**  $\left. \frac{\partial D_{\lambda_g}(p)}{\partial \lambda_g} \right|_{\lambda_g=0} = - \langle A(p) O(0) A(-p) \rangle^{lat} =$  

with  $\langle A(p) O_g(0) A(-p) \rangle^R = Z_A Z_{\mathcal{O}_g} \langle A(p) O_g(0) A(-p) \rangle^{lat}$   $D(p)^R = Z_A D(p)^{lat}$

To avoid mixing with non-physical operators in the EMT [Collins&Scalise(1994),Shanahan&Detmold(2019)]

➡ take combination  $\langle A_\rho(p) \bar{T}_{44}^g A_\tau(-p) \rangle - \langle A_\rho(p') \bar{T}_{44}^g A_\tau(-p') \rangle = 2p_4^2$

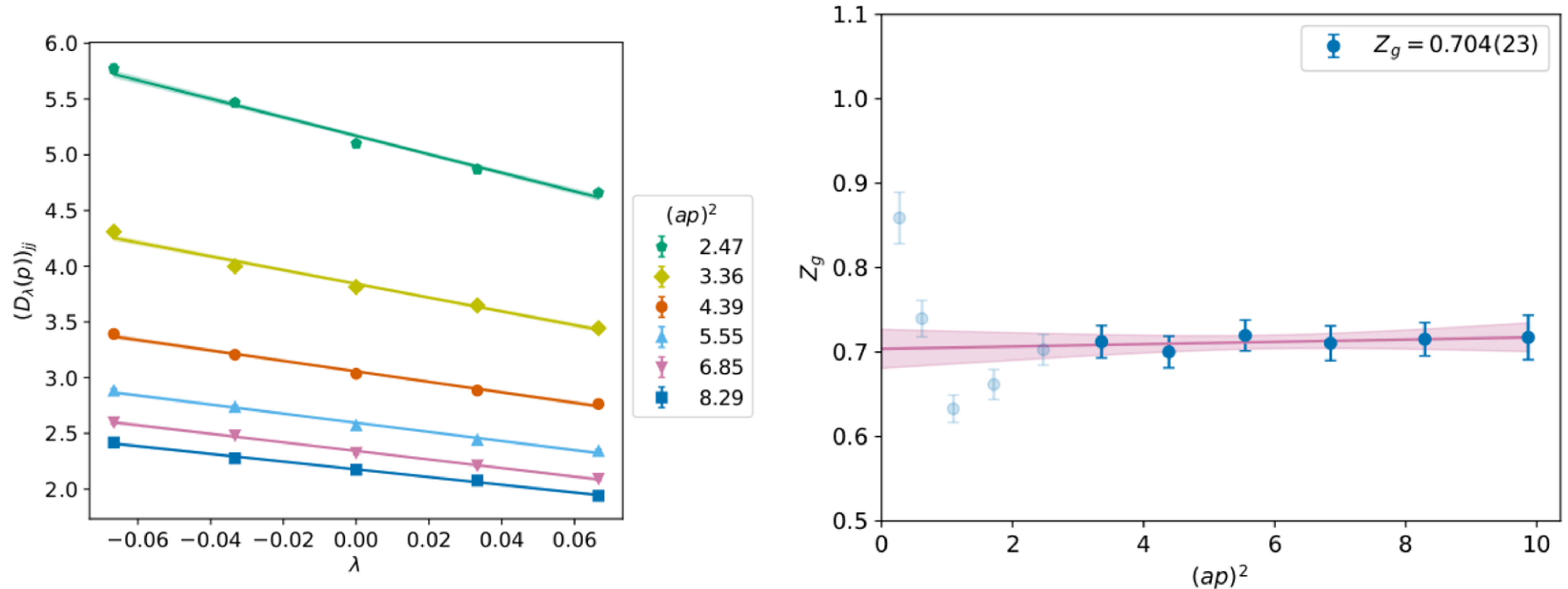
when  $\rho \neq 4, p_4 \neq 0, p'_4 = 0, p_\rho = p'_\rho = 0$  and  $p^2 = p'^2$

$$\bar{T}_{44}^g = \frac{3}{4} \mathcal{O}_g^{(b)}$$

➡  $Z_g(\mu) = 2p_4^2 p^2 D_0^{lat}(p) \left[ \left. \frac{\partial (D_{\lambda_g}^{latt}(p))_{jj}}{\partial \lambda_g} \right|_{\lambda_g=0} - \left. \frac{\partial (D_{\lambda_g}^{latt}(p'))_{jj}}{\partial \lambda_g} \right|_{\lambda_g=0} \right]^{-1} \Big|_{\substack{p_j=p'_j=0 \\ p^2=p'^2=\mu^2}}$



# Renormalisation - glue



Data points at different  $\lambda_g$  are entirely uncorrelated, from separate ensembles.

Appear linear in  $\lambda_g$ , quadratic terms small, no significant cubic term.

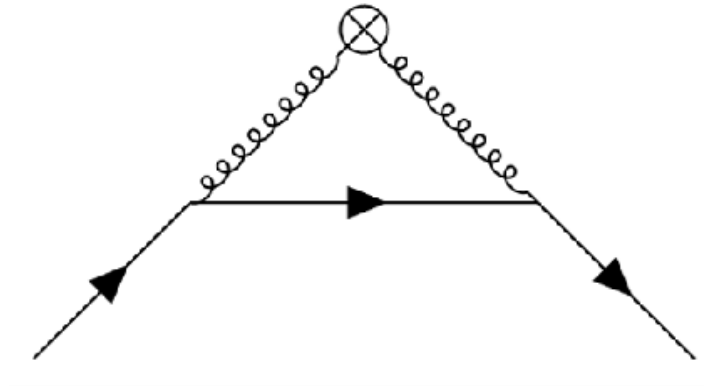
Good signal for  $Z_g$

# Renormalisation - quark

Need to account for quark-gluon mixing

$Z_{qq}$  can be obtained via usual RI'-MOM (e.g. QCDSF(2005))

To account for mixing, generate quark propagators on same modified gauge fields

$$\left. \frac{\partial S_{\lambda_g}(p)}{\partial \lambda_g} \right|_{\lambda_g=0} = - \langle \bar{q}(p) O(0) q(p) \rangle =$$


and invoke  $\mathcal{O}_q^R + \mathcal{O}_g^R = Z_q \mathcal{O}_q^{lat} + Z_g \mathcal{O}_g^{lat}$  with  $Z_q = Z_{qq} + Z_{gq}$  and  $Z_g = Z_{qg} + Z_{gg}$

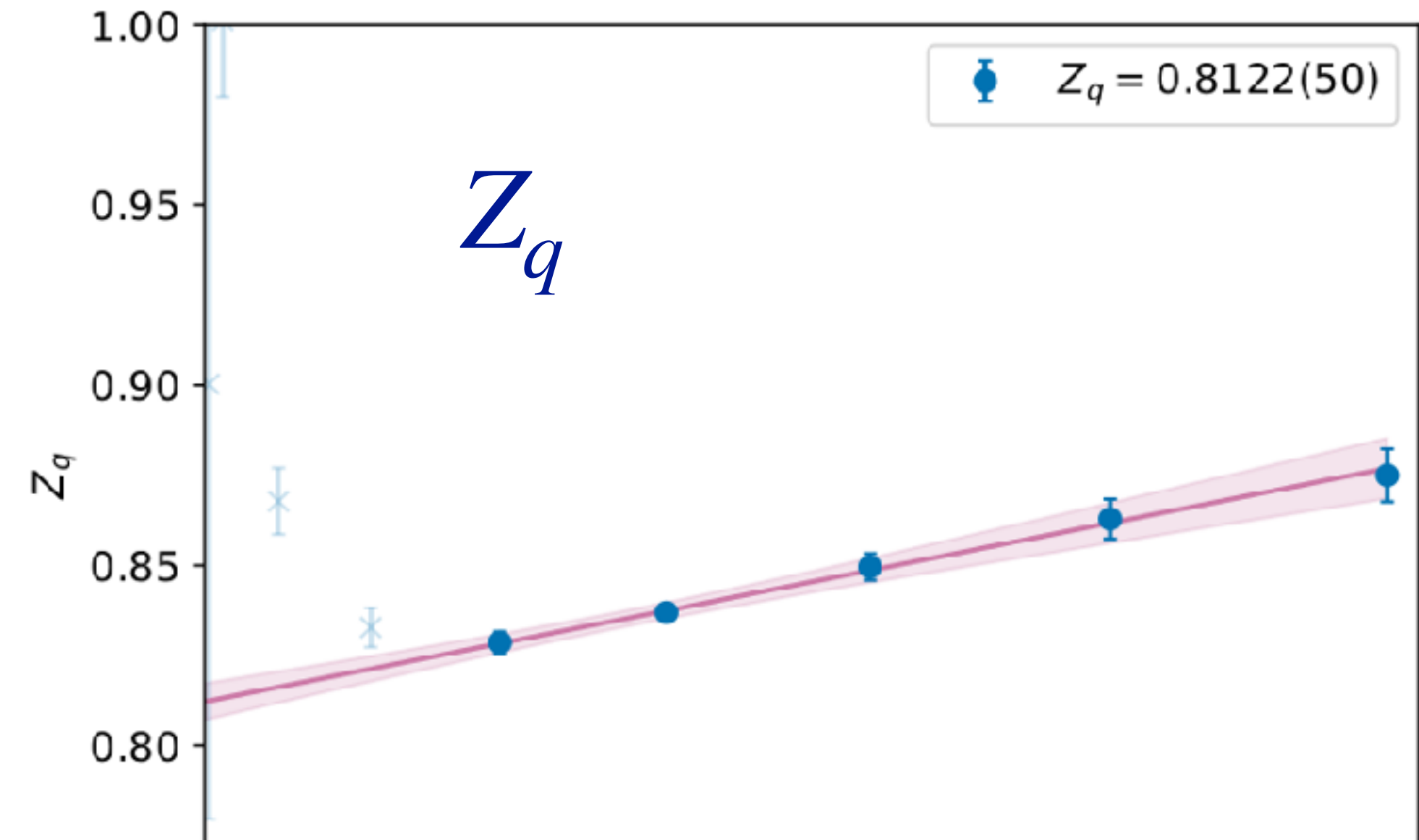
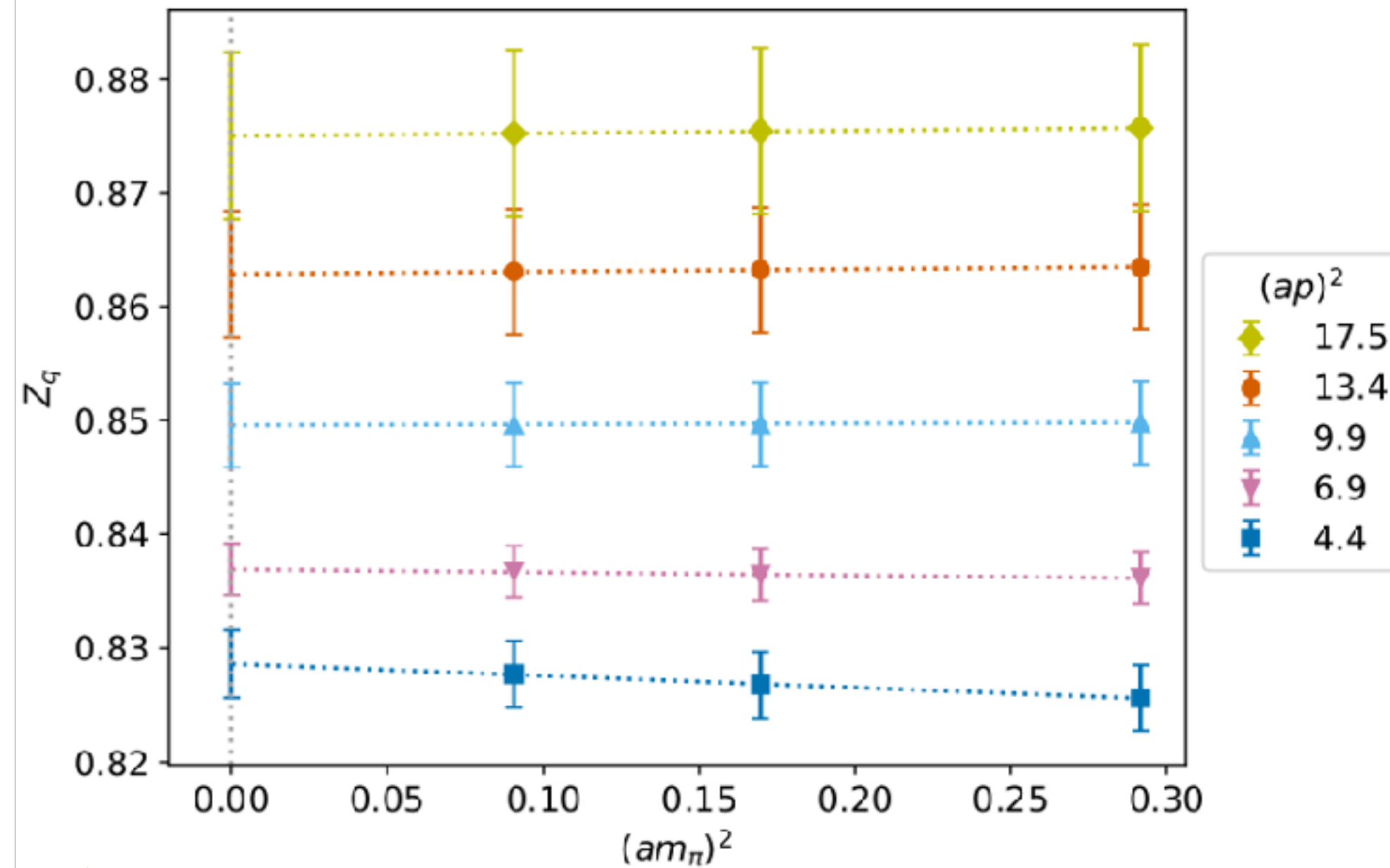
$$n_f = 0 : Z_{qg} = 0$$

$$Z_q^{-1}(\mu) = \frac{1}{12} \text{Tr} \left\{ \Gamma_{qq}^{lat}(p) \left[ Z_\psi(p) \Gamma_{qq}^{\text{Born}}(p) - Z_g(p) \left( [S_0^{lat}(p)]^{-1} \left. \frac{\partial S_{\lambda_g}(p)}{\partial \lambda_g} \right|_{\lambda_g=0} [S_0^{lat}(p)]^{-1} \right) \right]^{-1} \right\} \Big|_{p^2=\mu^2}$$

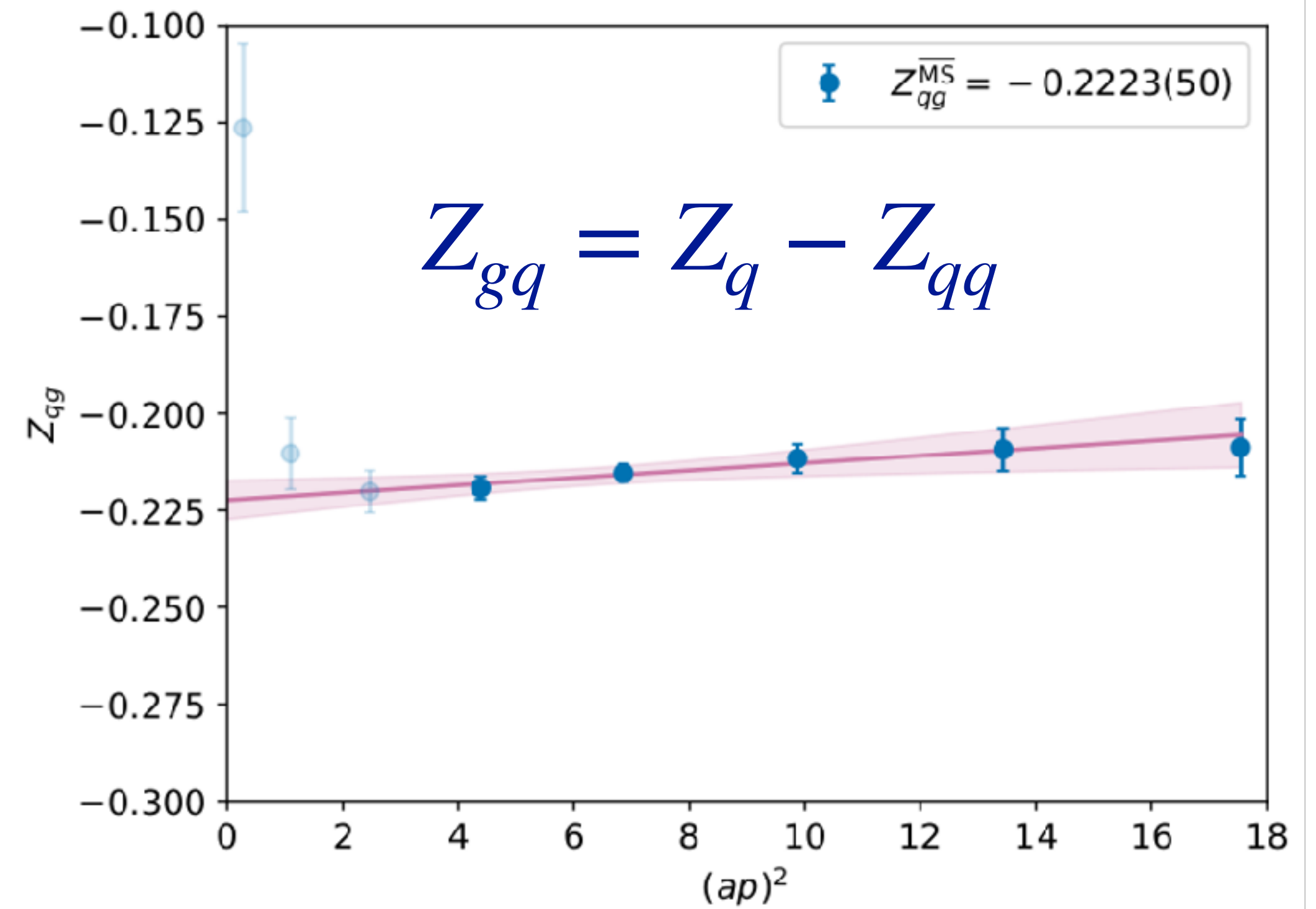
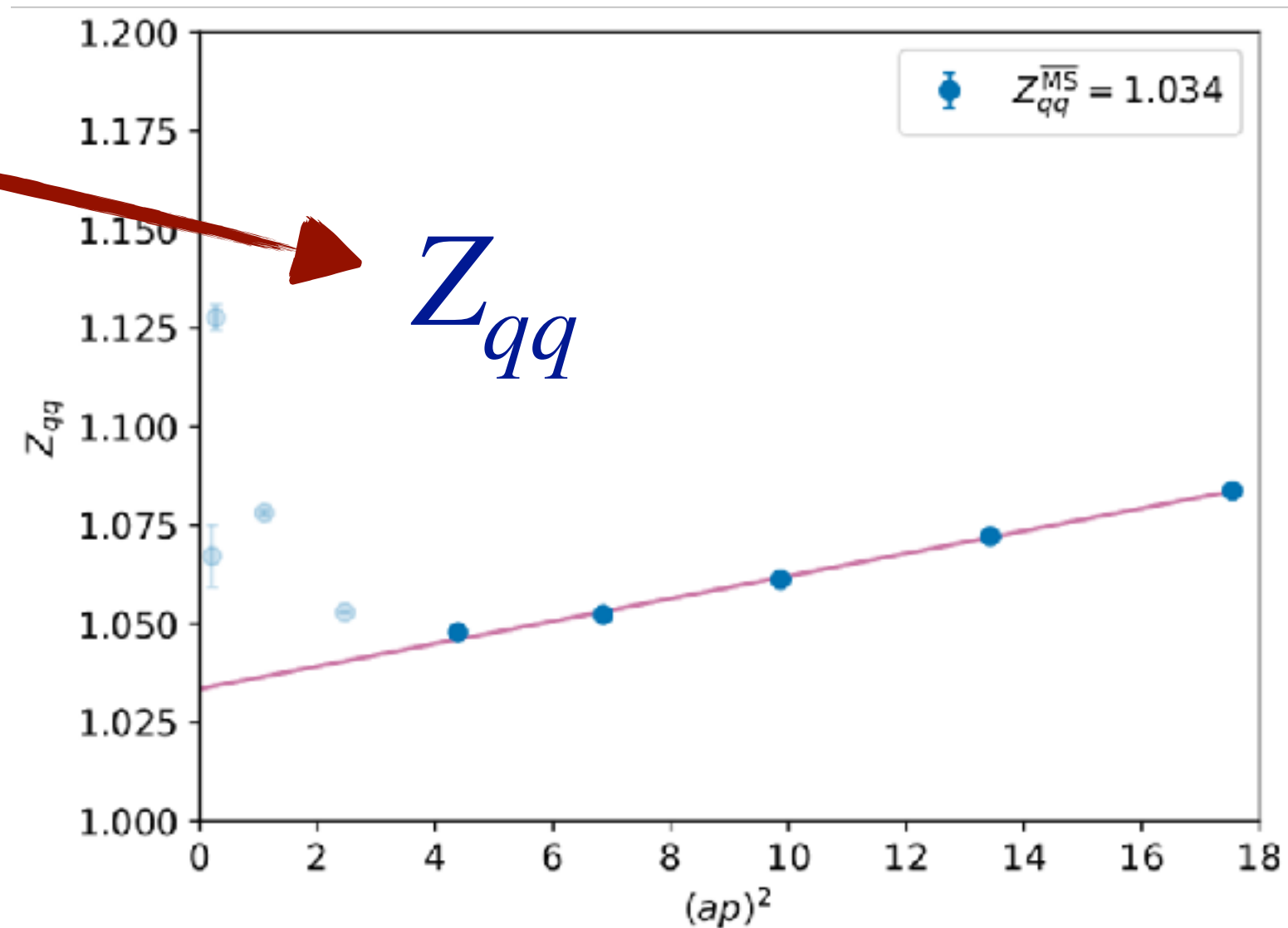
*use standard quark 3-point methods*

then isolate mixing term  $Z_{gq} = Z_q - Z_{qq}$

# Renormalisation - quark



use standard  
RI'-MOM  
with quark 3-  
point methods





# Momentum sum rule

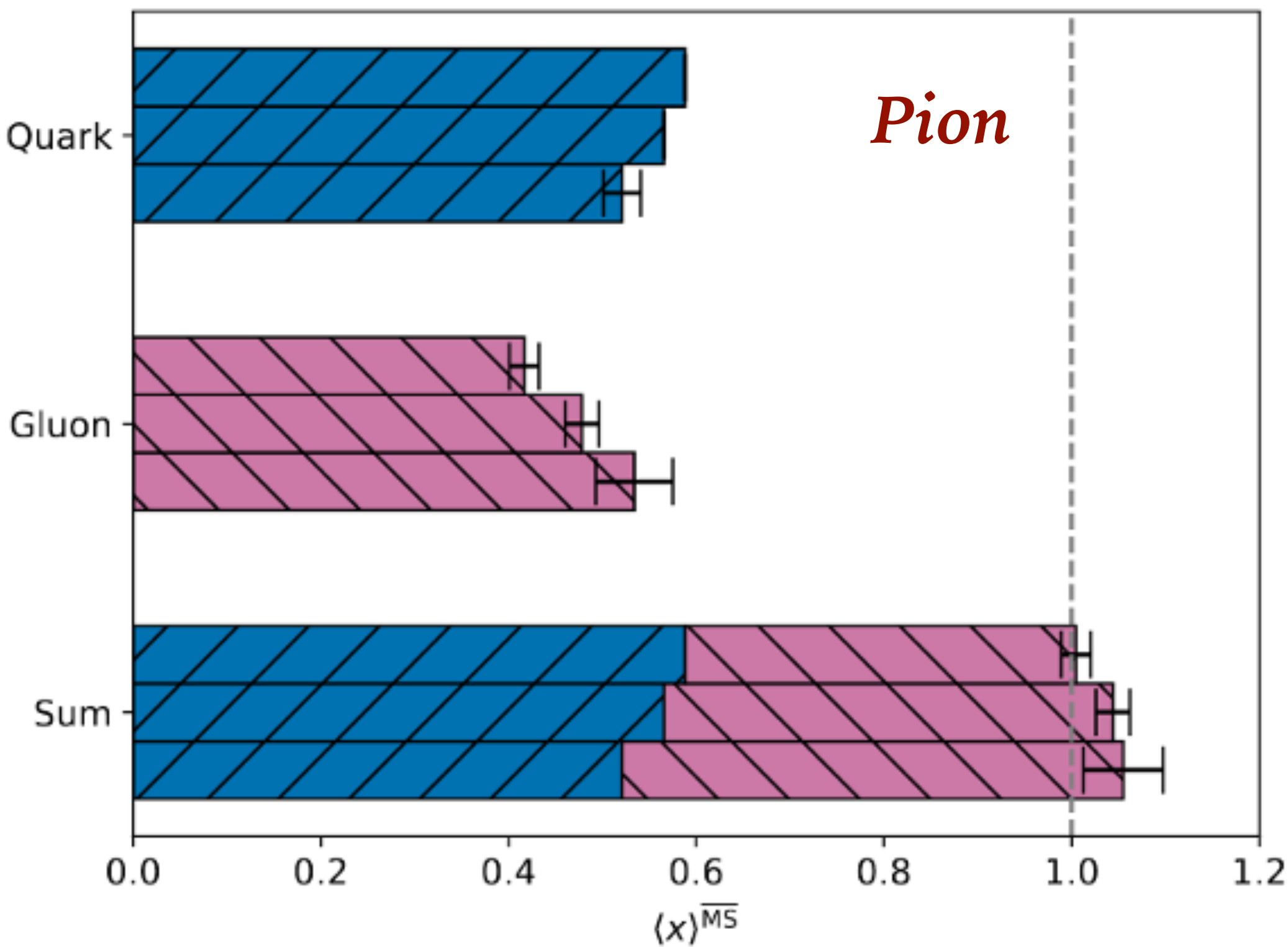
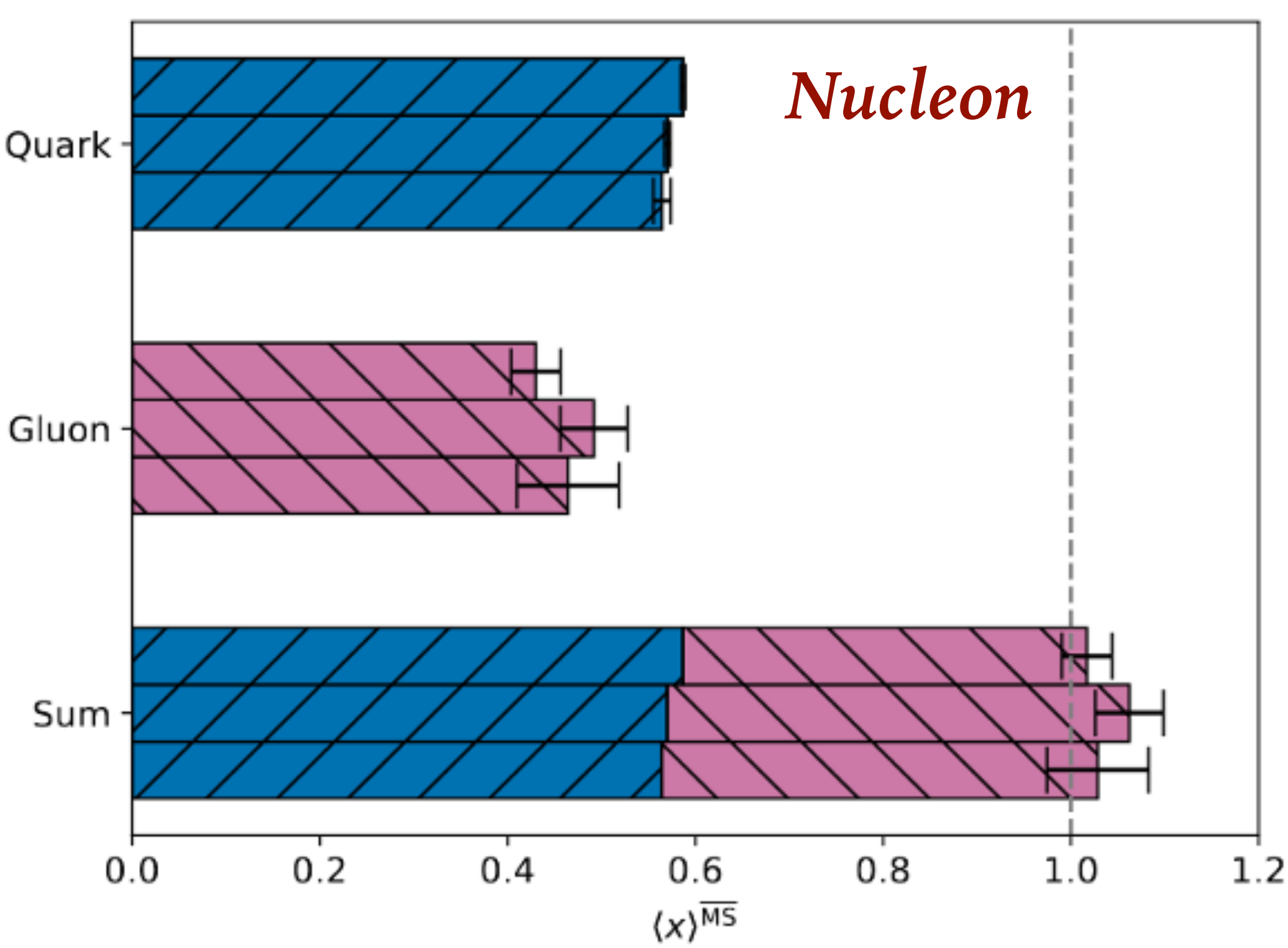
$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_u \\ \langle x \rangle_d \end{pmatrix}^R = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{gg} & Z_{gq} & Z_{gq} \\ 0 & Z_{qq} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Z_{qq} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_u^{con} \\ \langle x \rangle_d^{con} \end{pmatrix}^{lat}$$

$$Z^{\overline{MS}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.704(23) & -0.2223(50) & -0.2223(50) \\ 0 & 1.034(1) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.034(1) \end{pmatrix}$$

Nucleon			
$am_\pi$	$\langle x \rangle_q^{\overline{MS}}$	$\langle x \rangle_g^{\overline{MS}}$	$\langle x \rangle_q^{\overline{MS}} + \langle x \rangle_g^{\overline{MS}}$
0.540	0.5869(23)	0.430(26)	1.018(27)
0.412	0.5703(31)	0.492(36)	1.063(36)
0.300	0.5645(92)	0.464(54)	1.029(54)

Pion			
$am_\pi$	$\langle x \rangle_q^{\overline{MS}}$	$\langle x \rangle_g^{\overline{MS}}$	$\langle x \rangle_q^{\overline{MS}} + \langle x \rangle_g^{\overline{MS}}$
0.540	0.58803(58)	0.417(16)	1.005(16)
0.412	0.56569(80)	0.478(18)	1.045(18)
0.300	0.521(20)	0.534(41)	1.056(42)



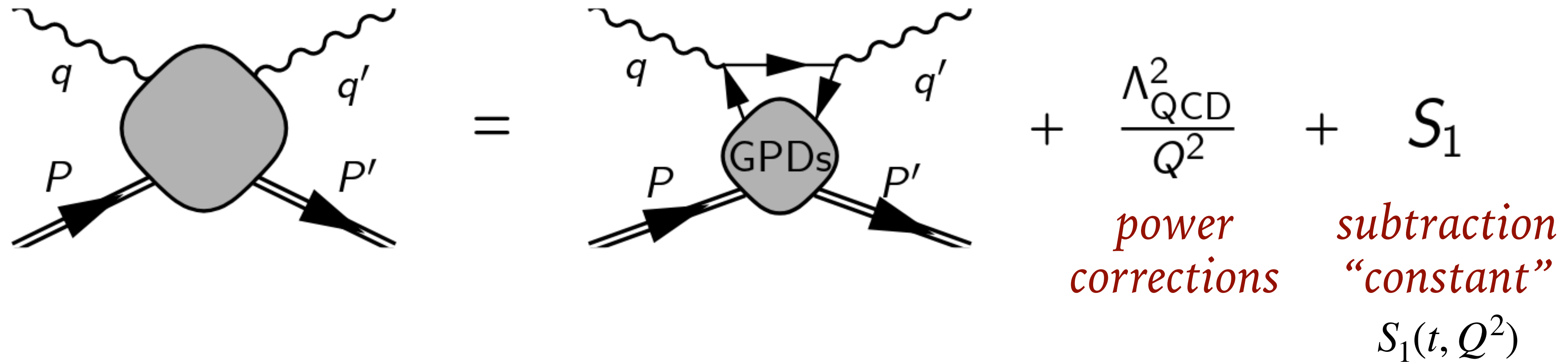
# Off-forward Compton amplitude

[PRD105 (2022), PRD110 (2024)]

# Off-forward Compton

[PRD105 (2022), PRD110 (2024)]

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \int d^4z e^{\frac{i}{2}(\mathbf{q}+\mathbf{q}')\cdot\mathbf{z}} \langle N(p') | T J^\mu(z) J^\nu(0) | N(p) \rangle$$



$$T^{\mu\nu}(P, q, q') = \sum_{i=1}^{18} \mathcal{A}_i(\bar{\omega}, \theta, t, \bar{Q}^2) L_i^{\mu\nu}$$

*18 tensor structures*

$$\bar{P} = \frac{1}{2}(P + P'), \quad \bar{q} = \frac{1}{2}(q + q'), \quad \Delta = P' - P$$

$$t = \Delta^2, \quad \bar{Q}^2 = -\bar{q}^2,$$

$$\bar{\omega} = \frac{2\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q}}{\bar{Q}^2}, \quad \theta = -\frac{\Delta \cdot \bar{q}}{\bar{Q}^2}$$



# Off-forward Compton

$$h^\mu = \bar{u}' \gamma^\mu u, \quad e^\mu = \bar{u}' \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\alpha} \Delta_\alpha}{2m_N} u$$

$$\bar{h}^\mu = \bar{u}' \gamma^\mu \gamma_5 u, \quad \bar{e}^\mu = \frac{\Delta^\mu}{2m_N} \bar{u}' \gamma_5 u$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{T}_{\mu\nu} = & \frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q}} \left[ - \left( h \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{H}_1 + e \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{E}_1 \right) g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q}} \left( h \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{H}_2 + e \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{E}_2 \right) \bar{P}_\mu \bar{P}_\nu + \mathcal{H}_3 h_{\{\mu} \bar{P}_{\nu\}} \right] \\ & + \frac{i}{2\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q}} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\kappa} \bar{q}^\rho \left( \tilde{h}^\kappa \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_1 + \tilde{e}^\kappa \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_1 \right) + \frac{i}{2(\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q})^2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\kappa} \bar{q}^\rho \left[ (\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q} \tilde{h}^\kappa - \tilde{h} \cdot \bar{q} \bar{P}^\kappa) \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_2 + (\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q} \tilde{e}^\kappa - \tilde{e} \cdot \bar{q} \bar{P}^\kappa) \tilde{\mathcal{E}}_2 \right] \\ & + \left( \bar{P}_\mu q'_\nu + \bar{P}_\nu q_\mu \right) \left( h \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{K}_1 + e \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{K}_2 \right) + \left( \bar{P}_\mu q'_\nu - \bar{P}_\nu q_\mu \right) \left( h \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{K}_3 + e \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{K}_4 \right) + q_\mu q'_\nu (h \cdot \bar{q} - e \cdot \bar{q}) \mathcal{K}_5 \\ & + h_{[\mu} \bar{P}_{\nu]} \mathcal{K}_6 + \left( h_\mu q'_\nu + h_\nu q_\mu \right) \mathcal{K}_7 + \left( h_\mu q'_\nu - h_\nu q_\mu \right) \mathcal{K}_8 + \bar{P}_{\{\mu} \bar{u}(P') i\sigma_{\nu\}} \alpha u(P) \bar{q}^\alpha \mathcal{K}_9, \end{aligned}$$

simple mapping to forward limit

$$\mathcal{H}_1 \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{F}_1, \quad \mathcal{H}_2 + \mathcal{H}_3 \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{F}_2,$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_1 \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} \tilde{g}_1, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_2 \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} \tilde{g}_2,$$

► Kinematics chosen carefully

► With current chosen  $\hat{e}_k \propto \vec{\Delta} = \vec{q}_1 - \vec{q}_2$   $T_{\mu\nu}$  reduces to

$$T_{kk} = - \frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q}} \left( h \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{H}_1 + e \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{E}_1 \right)$$

*$\mathcal{K}$  vanish at leading twist*

Diehl, EPJC(2001)

Belitsky, Müller, Kirchner, NPB(2002)

Belitsky, Müller, Ji, NPB(2014)

$\frac{L}{2\pi} \mathbf{q}_1, \frac{L}{2\pi} \mathbf{q}_2$	$\frac{L}{2\pi} \Delta$	$\frac{L}{2\pi} \bar{\mathbf{q}}$	$t$ [GeV <sup>2</sup> ]	$\bar{Q}^2$ [GeV <sup>2</sup> ]	$N_{\text{meas}}$
(5, 3, 0)	—	—	0	4.86	1605
(4, 3, 3) (3, 4, 3)	(1, -1, 0)	( $\frac{7}{2}, \frac{7}{2}, 3$ )	-0.29	4.79	1031
(5, 3, 1) (5, 3, -1)	(0, 0, 2)	(5, 3, 0)	-0.57	4.86	1072
(4, 2, 4) (2, 4, 4)	(2, -2, 0)	(3, 3, 4)	-1.14	4.86	1031

# Off-forward Compton

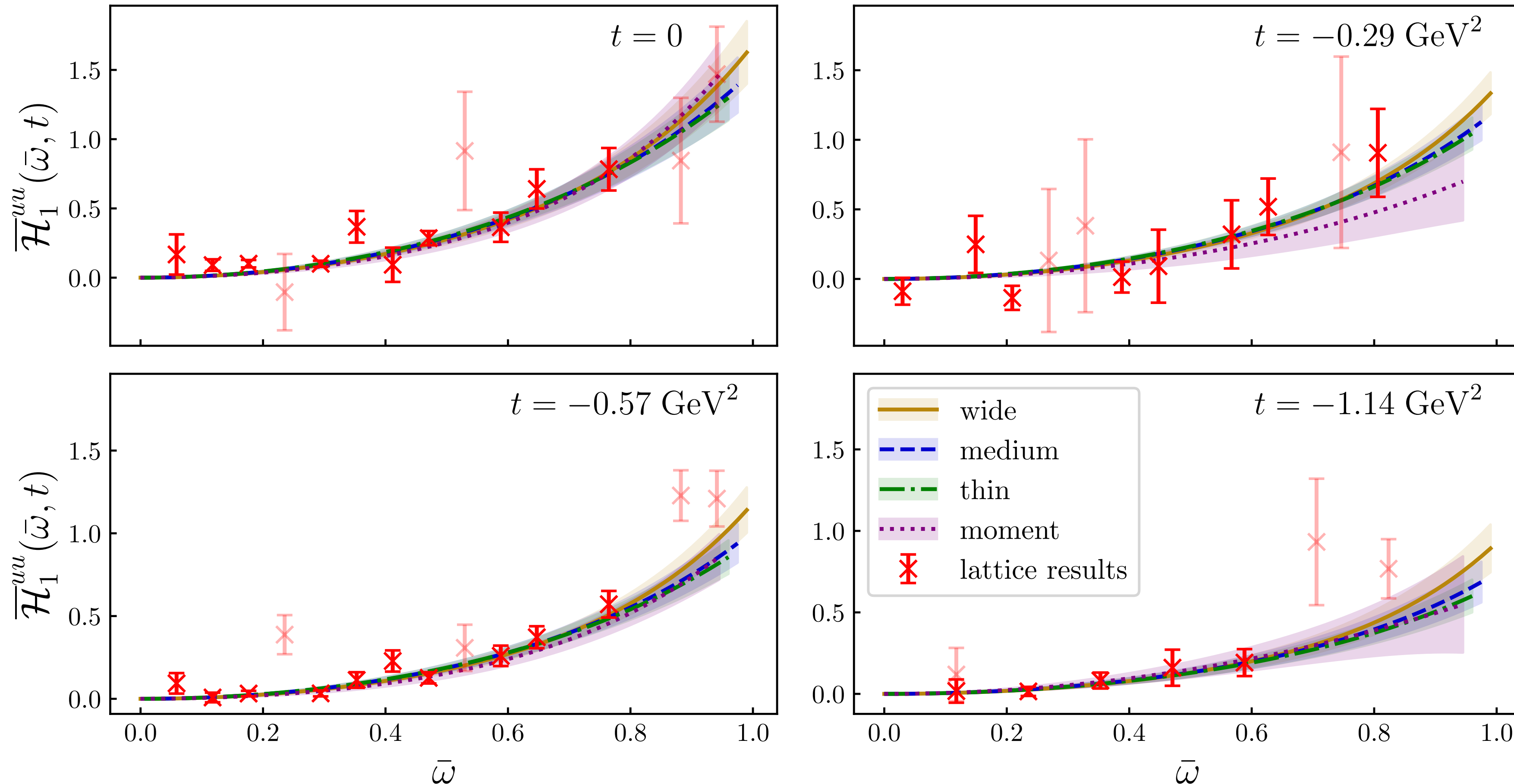
$$T_{kk} = -\frac{1}{2\bar{P} \cdot \bar{q}} (h \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{H}_1 + e \cdot \bar{q} \mathcal{E}_1)$$

- 2 x spin projectors

- Expand subtracted  $\overline{\mathcal{H}}, \overline{\mathcal{E}}$  in moments, e.g.

➔ isolate  $\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{E}_1$

$$\overline{\mathcal{H}}_1(\bar{\omega}, t, \bar{Q}^2) = 2 \sum_n \bar{\omega}^n M_n(t, \bar{Q}^2)$$



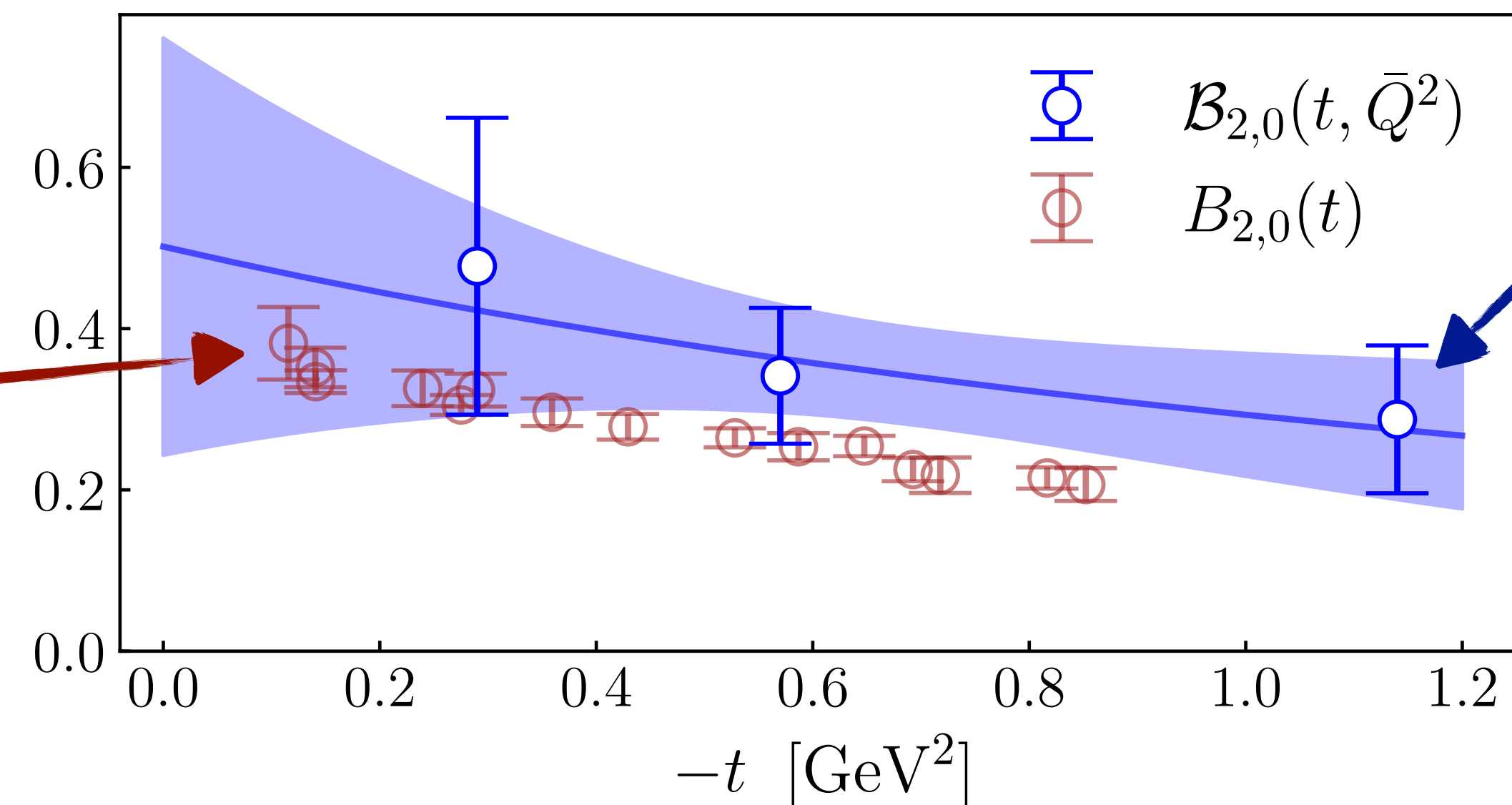
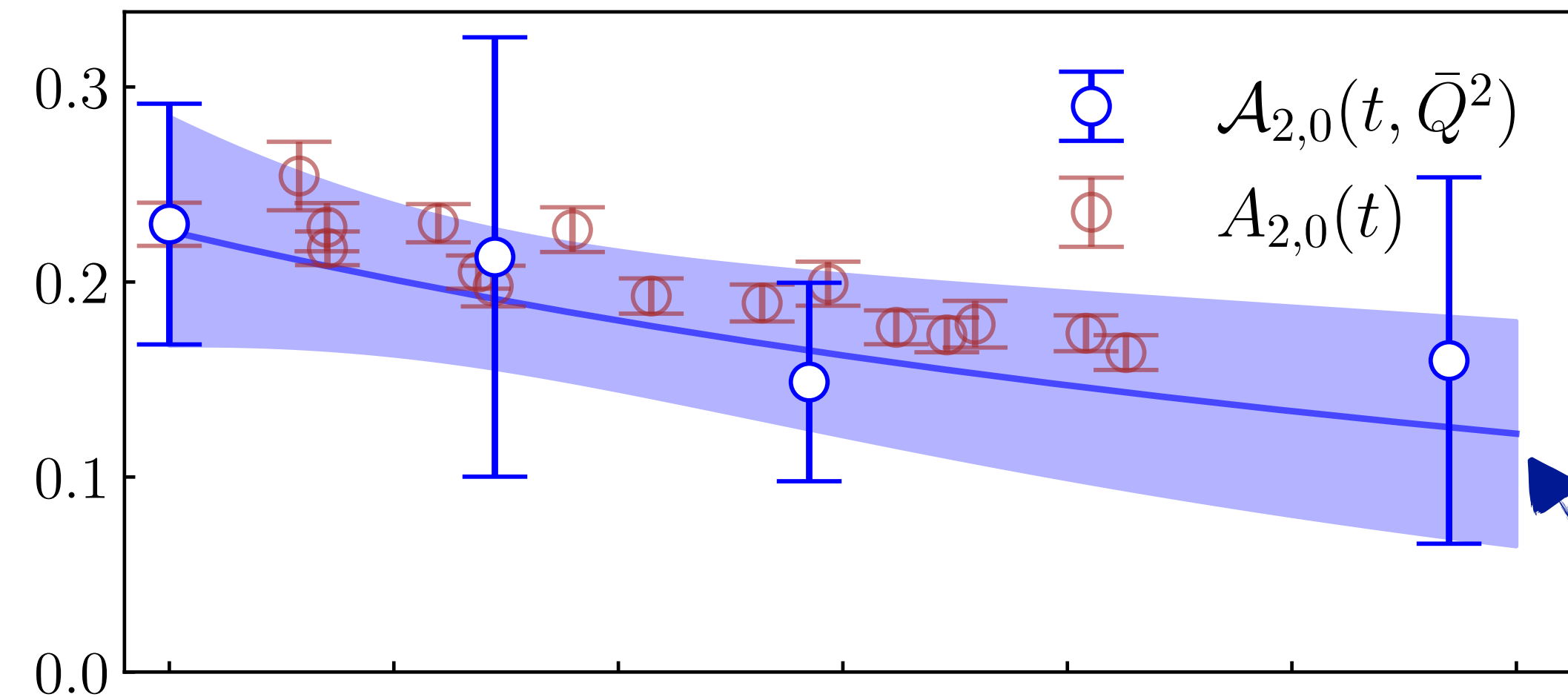
# Off-forward Compton

Moments match onto Mellin moments of GPDs

$$M_n(t, \theta, \bar{Q}^2) \xrightarrow{\bar{Q}^2 \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-1}^1 dx x^{n-1} H_1(x, \xi, t)$$

$$= \sum_{j=0,2,4,\dots}^{n-1} (-2\xi)^j A_{n,j}(t) + (-2\xi)^n C_n(t) \Big|_{n \text{ even}}$$

$$\xi = \frac{\theta}{\bar{\omega}}$$



3-point functions using  
twist-2 operators

contain all power  
corrections &  
higher twist



# Off-forward Compton

## GPD reconstruction

- Employ model-dependent ansatz

$$H(x, t) = Cx^{-\alpha(t)}(1-x)^\beta$$

$$\alpha(t) = \alpha_0 + \alpha't$$

(dispersion relation)



$$\overline{\mathcal{H}}_1(\bar{\omega}, t) = 2C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{\omega}^{2n} \frac{\Gamma(2n - \alpha(t))\Gamma(\beta + 1)}{\Gamma(1 + 2n - \alpha(t) + \beta)}$$

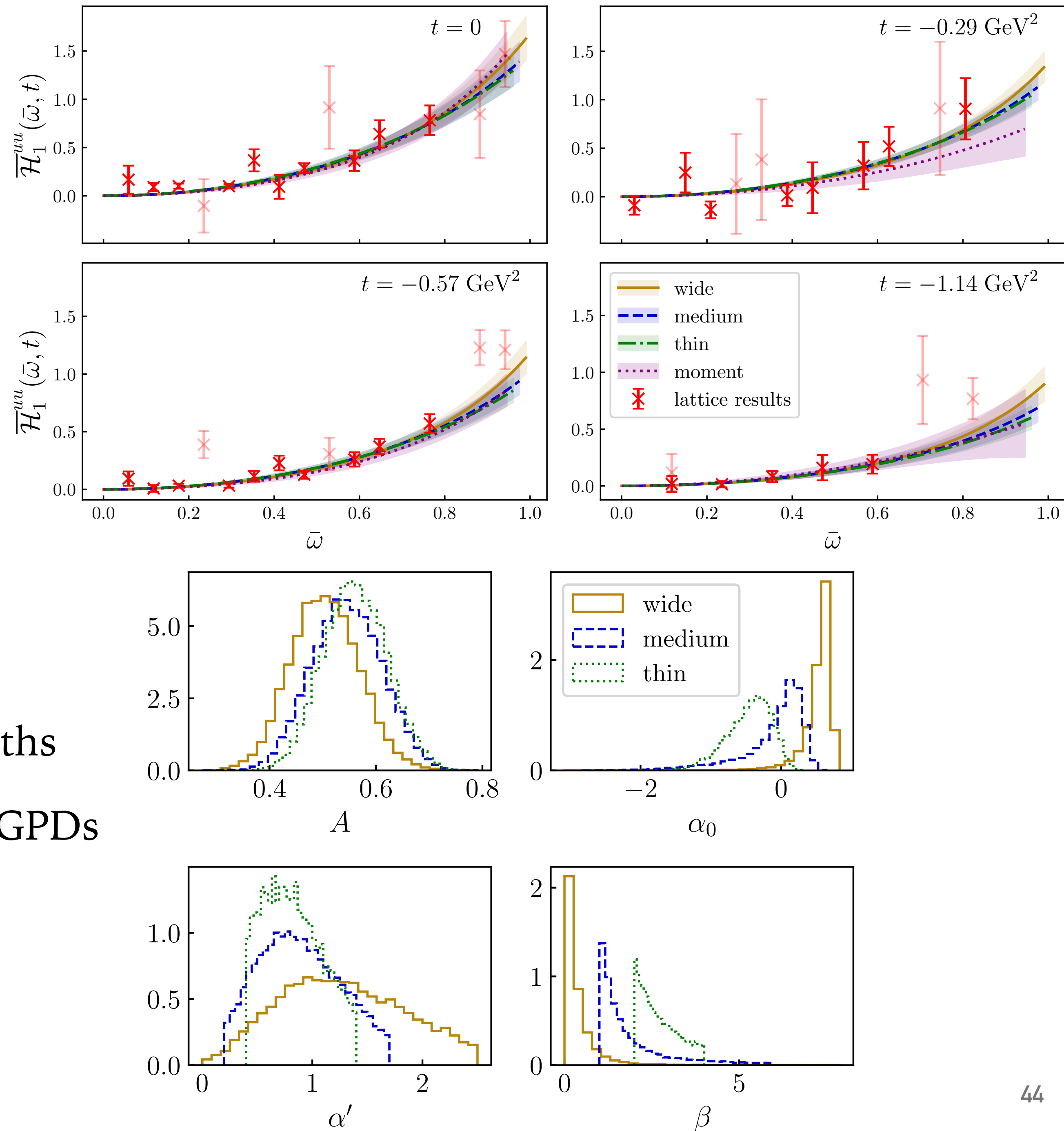
- Perform Bayesian fit with 3 priors of differing widths
- Drawing on positivity constraint of leading-twist GPDs



enforce

$$|\mathcal{A}_{2n,0}(t)| \leq \mathcal{A}_{2n,0}(0)$$

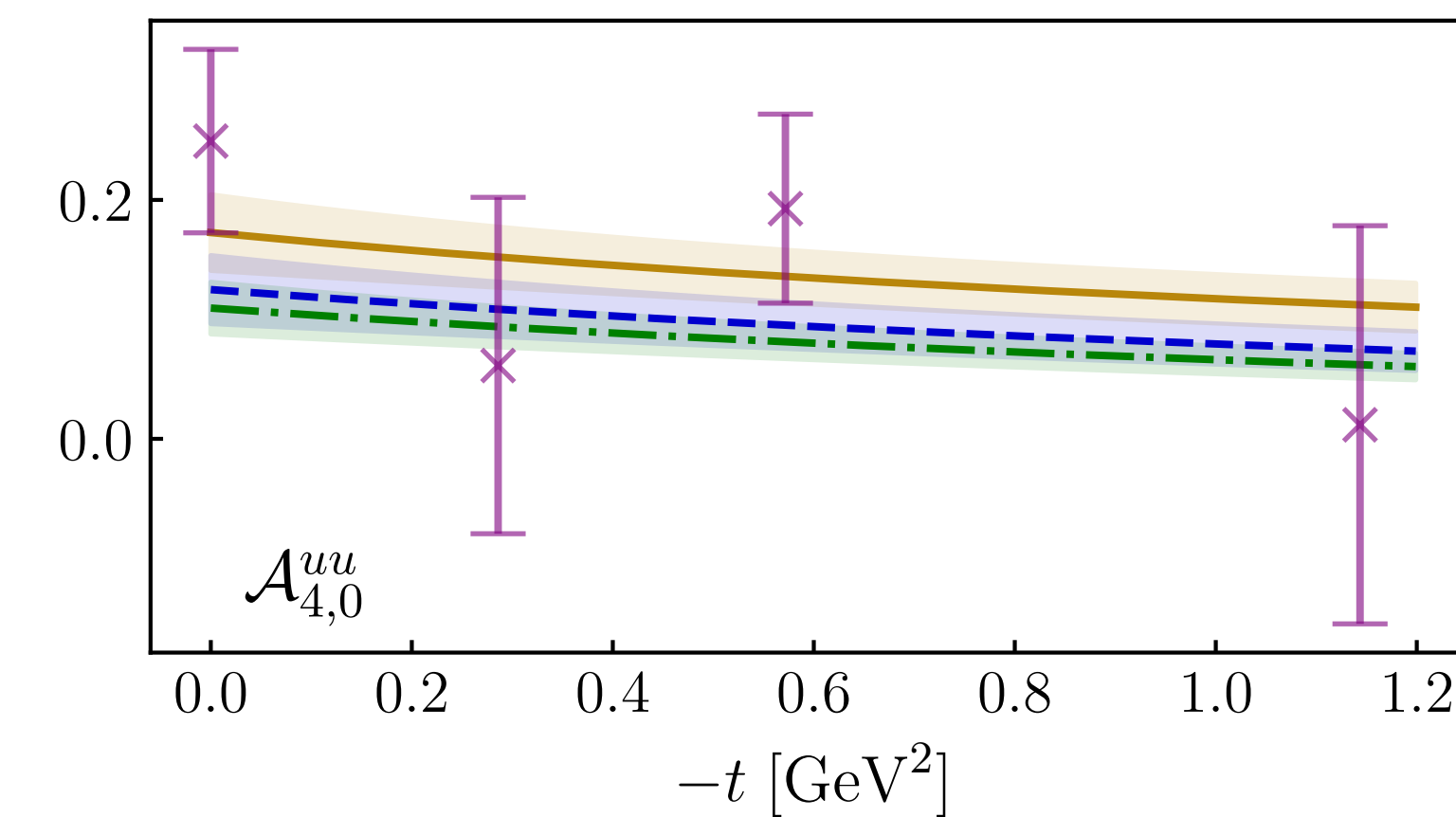
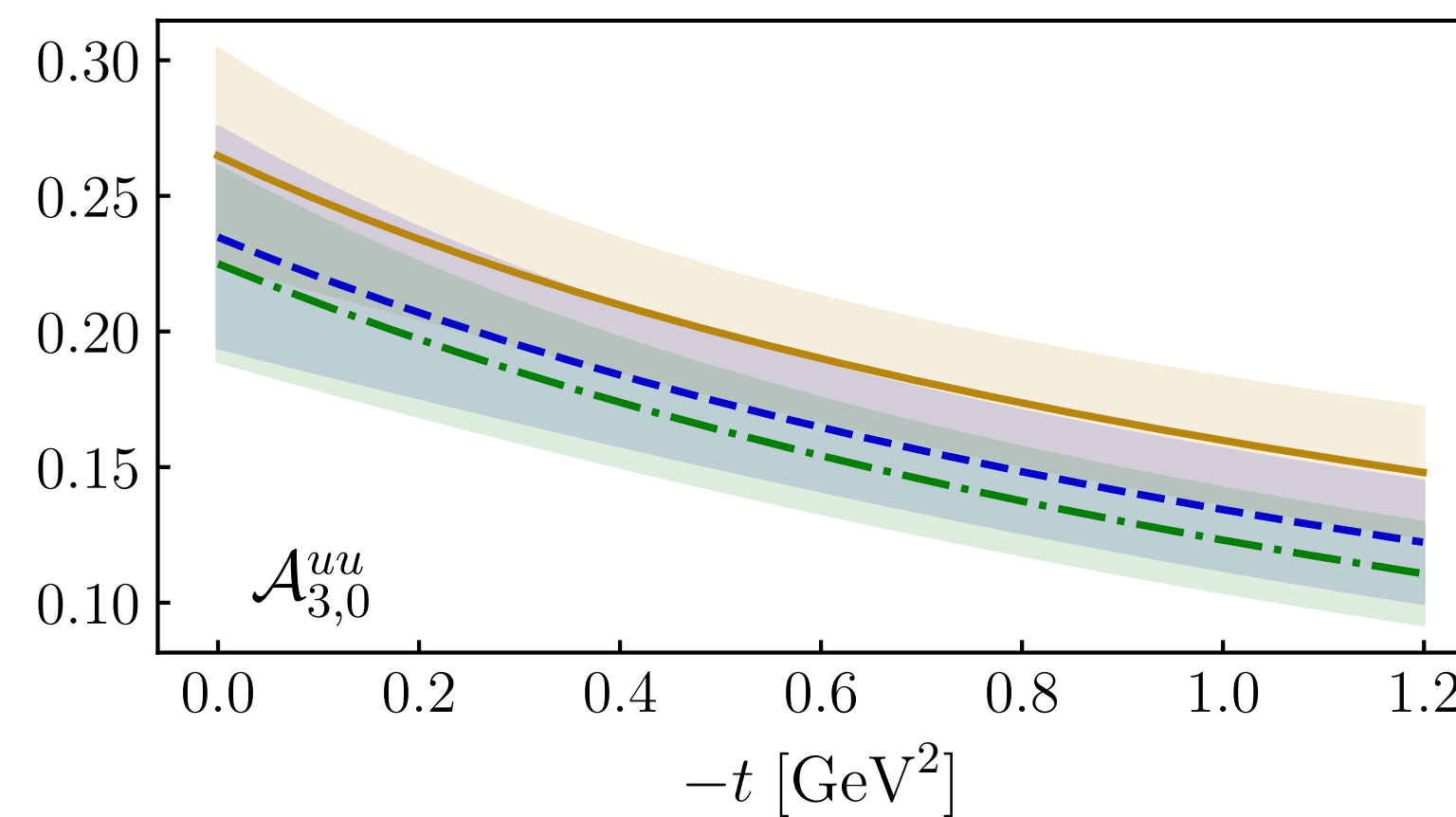
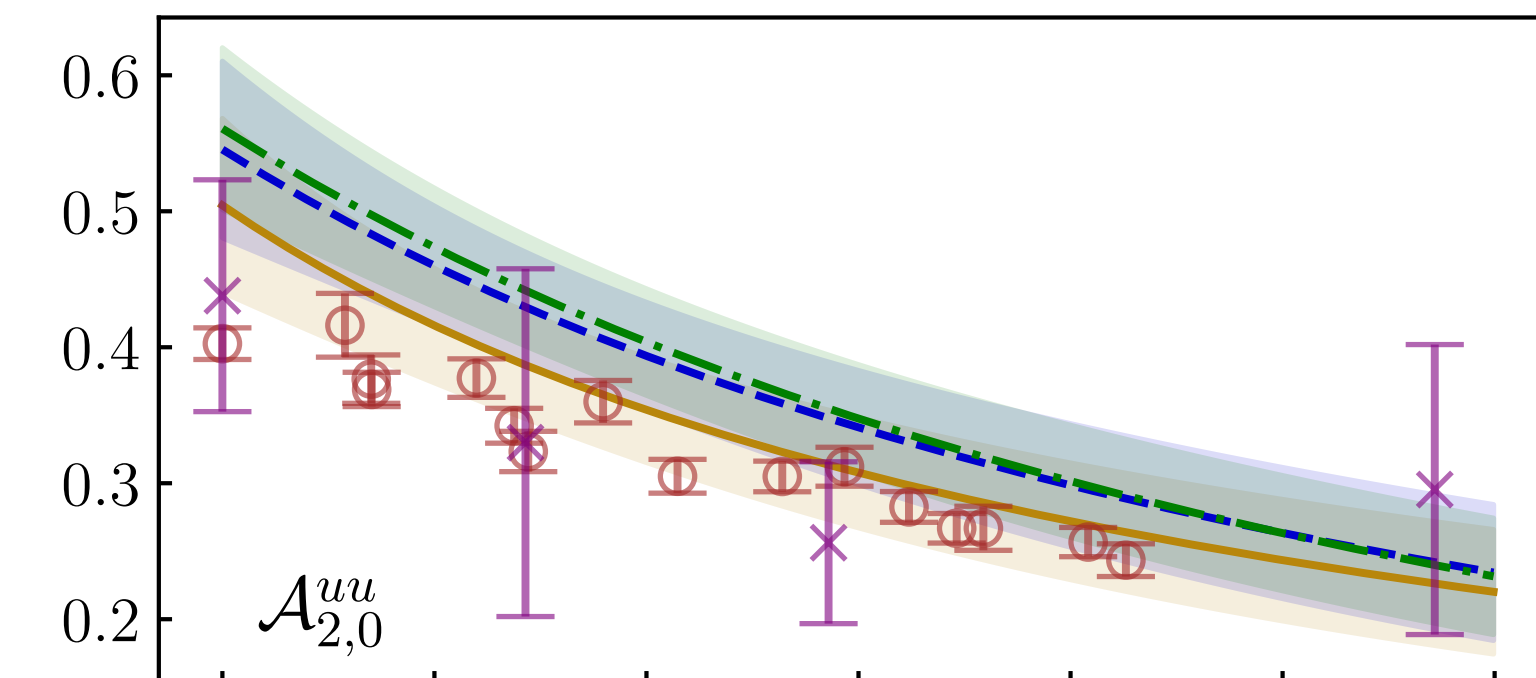
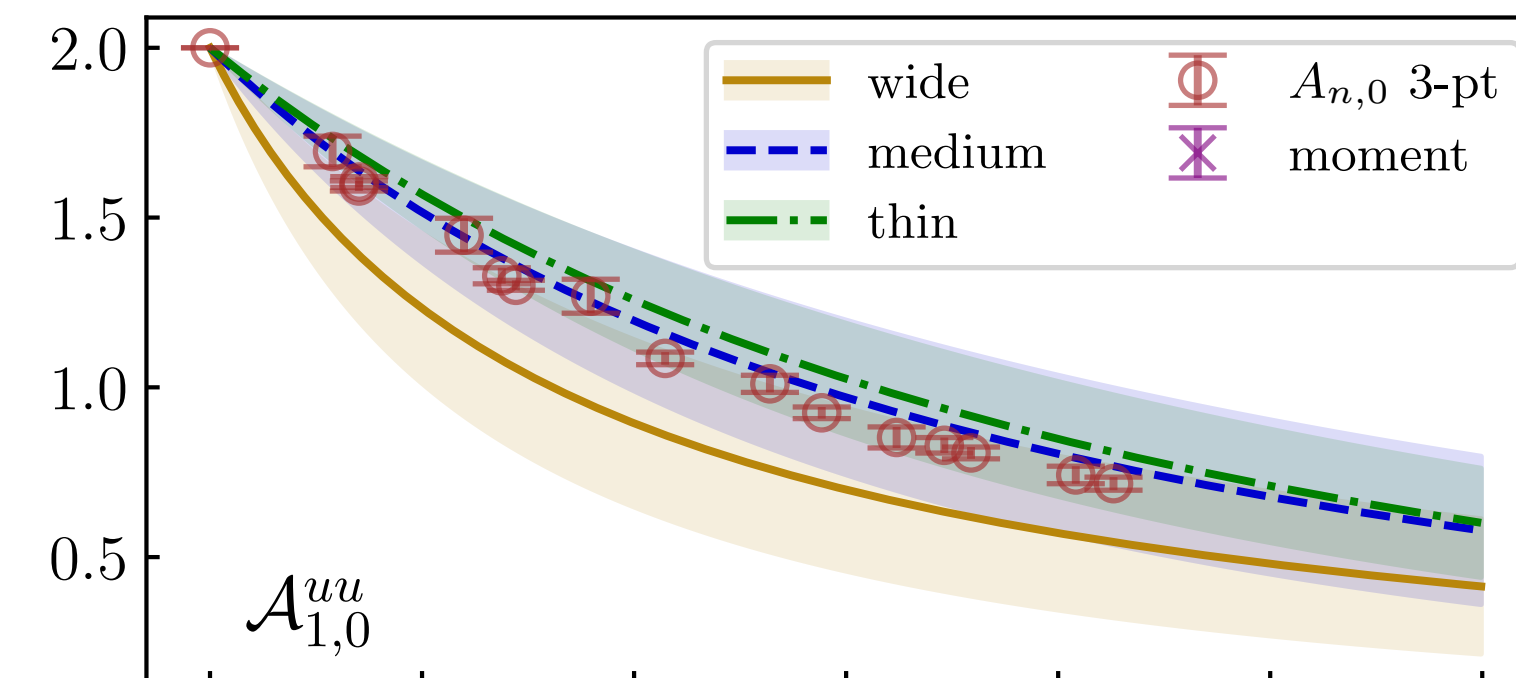
$$|\mathcal{B}_{2n,0}(t)| \leq \frac{2m_N}{\sqrt{-t}} \mathcal{A}_{2n,0}(0)$$



# Off-forward Compton

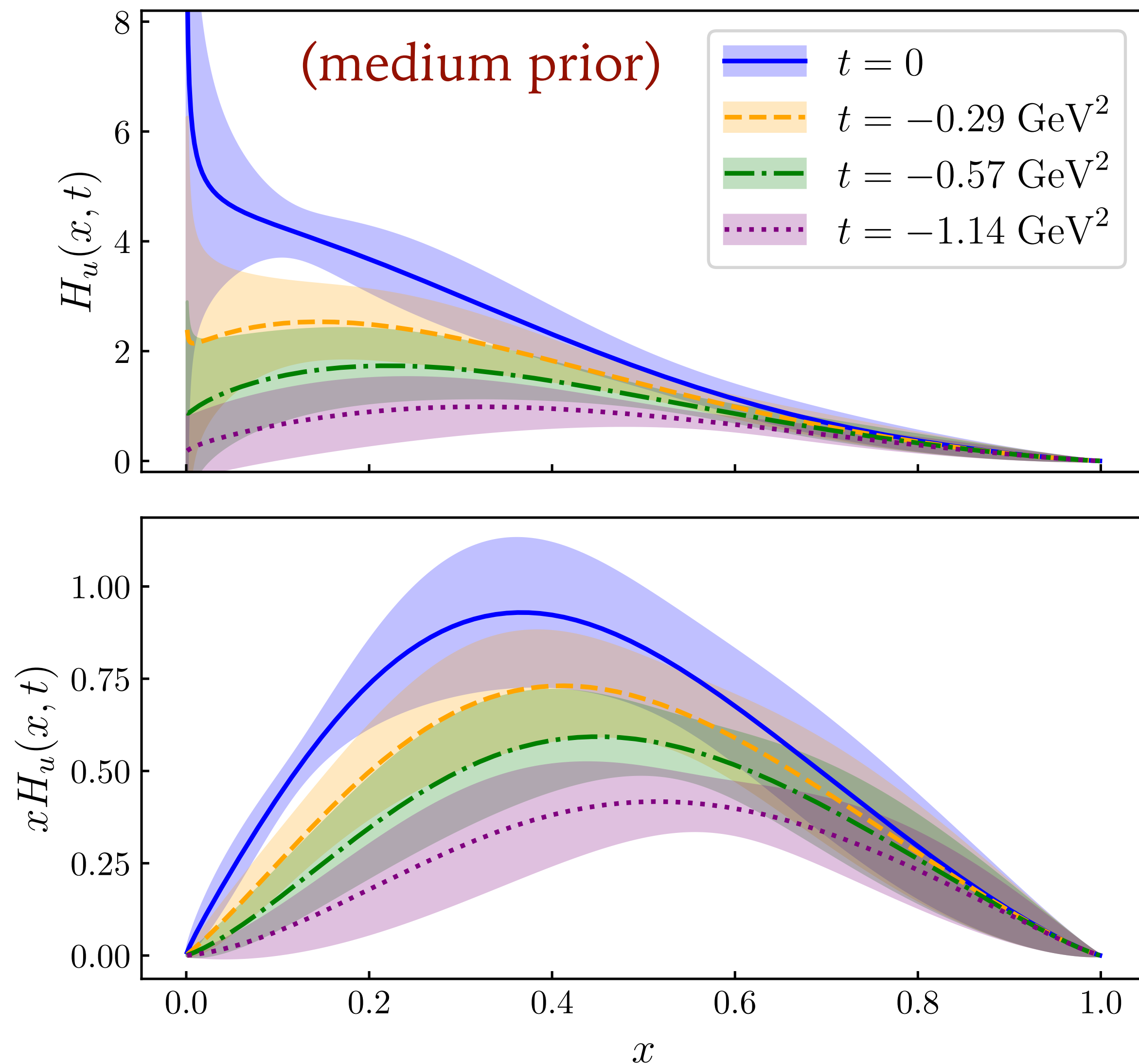
## GPD reconstruction

- Enforce quark counting (leading-twist)
- Truncate series at  $n=50$  moments
- Compare with model-independent moment fit and 3-point results

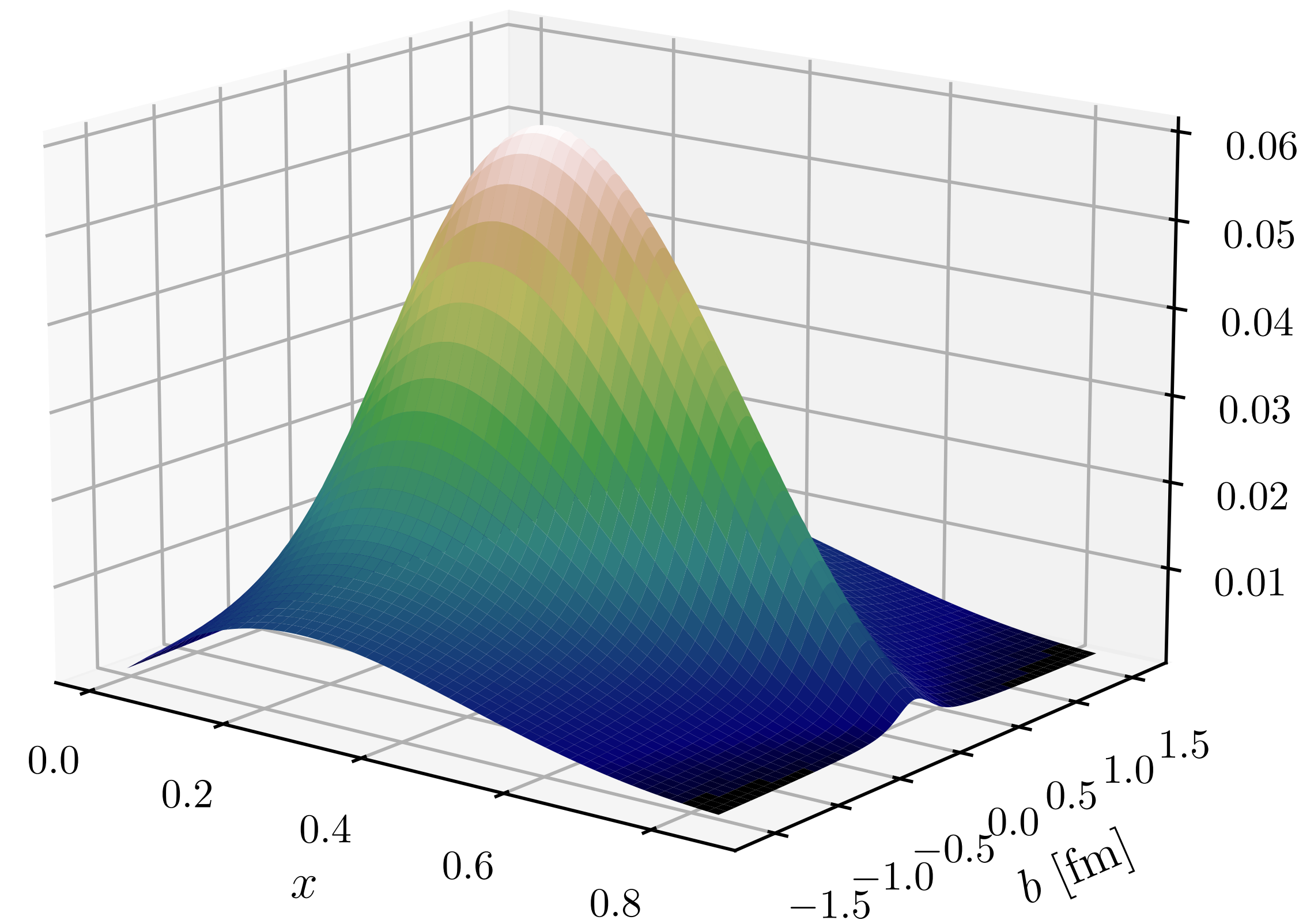


# Off-forward Compton GPD reconstruction

$$H(x, t) = Cx^{-\alpha(t)}(1-x)^\beta$$



► Fourier transform  $\vec{\Delta} \rightarrow \vec{b}$   
➡ Impact parameter GPD





# Transverse force distributions in the nucleon

Physical Review Letters 134 (2025) — Editor’s suggestion

*“The study reveals a spin-independent force that reflects the confinement of quarks, with local forces reaching up to 3 billion electron volts per femtometre — about half a million Newtons, or the **weight of roughly 10 elephants**. A spin-dependent force has also been mapped, which offers new insights into how the dynamics of quarks are influenced by the spin of the proton in which they live.”*



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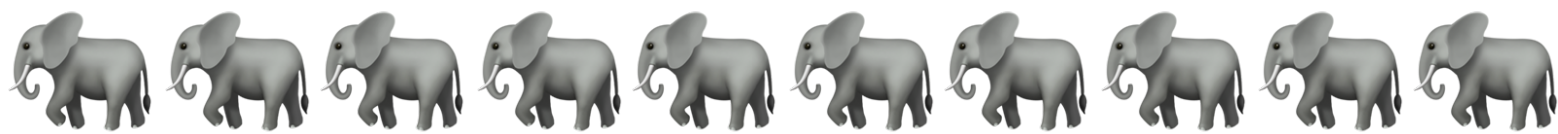
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## Illuminating the proton's inner workings

Science Daily, 21 Feb 2025

Scientists have now mapped the forces acting inside a proton, showing in unprecedented detail how quarks -- the tiny particles...



## Mapping the forces inside protons

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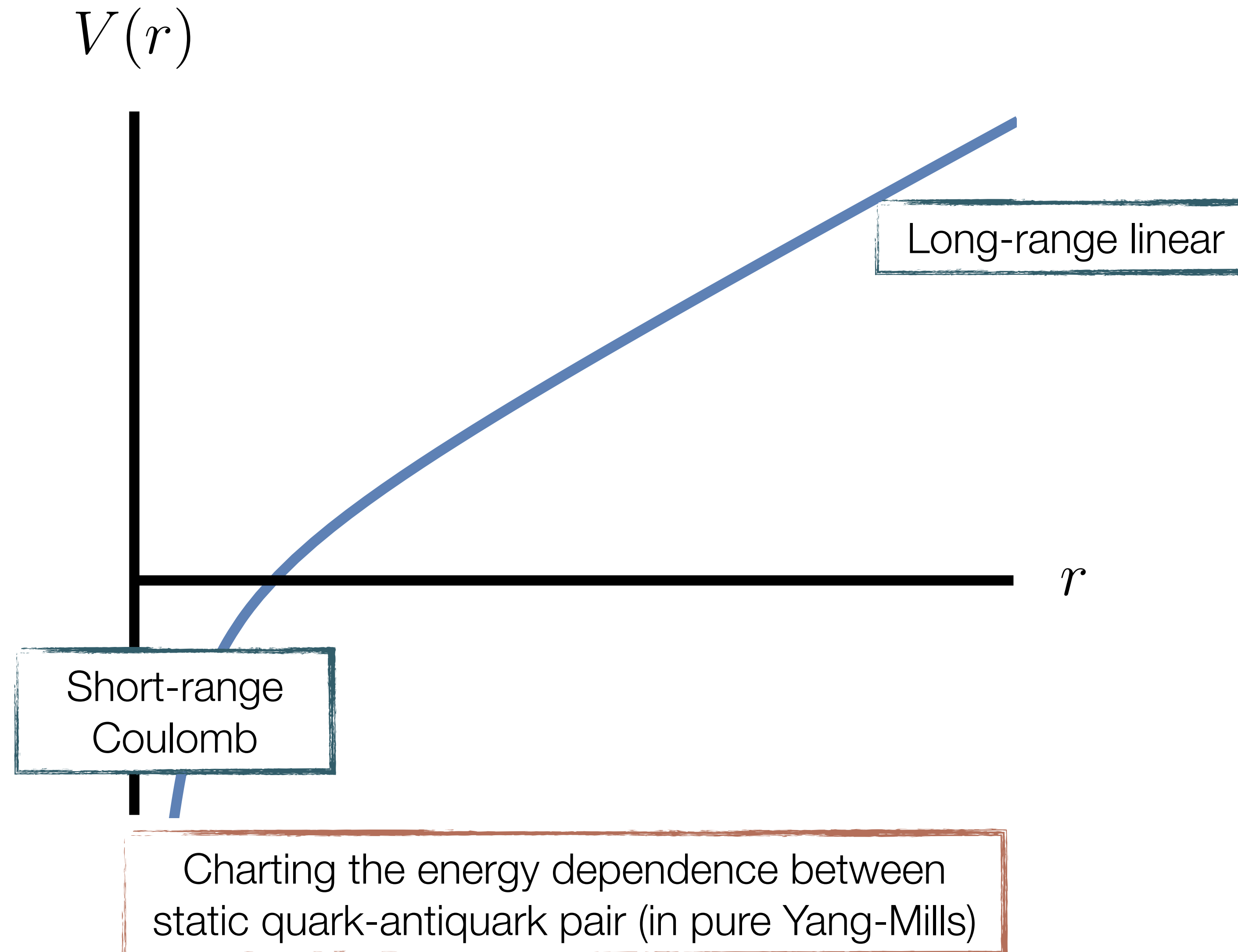
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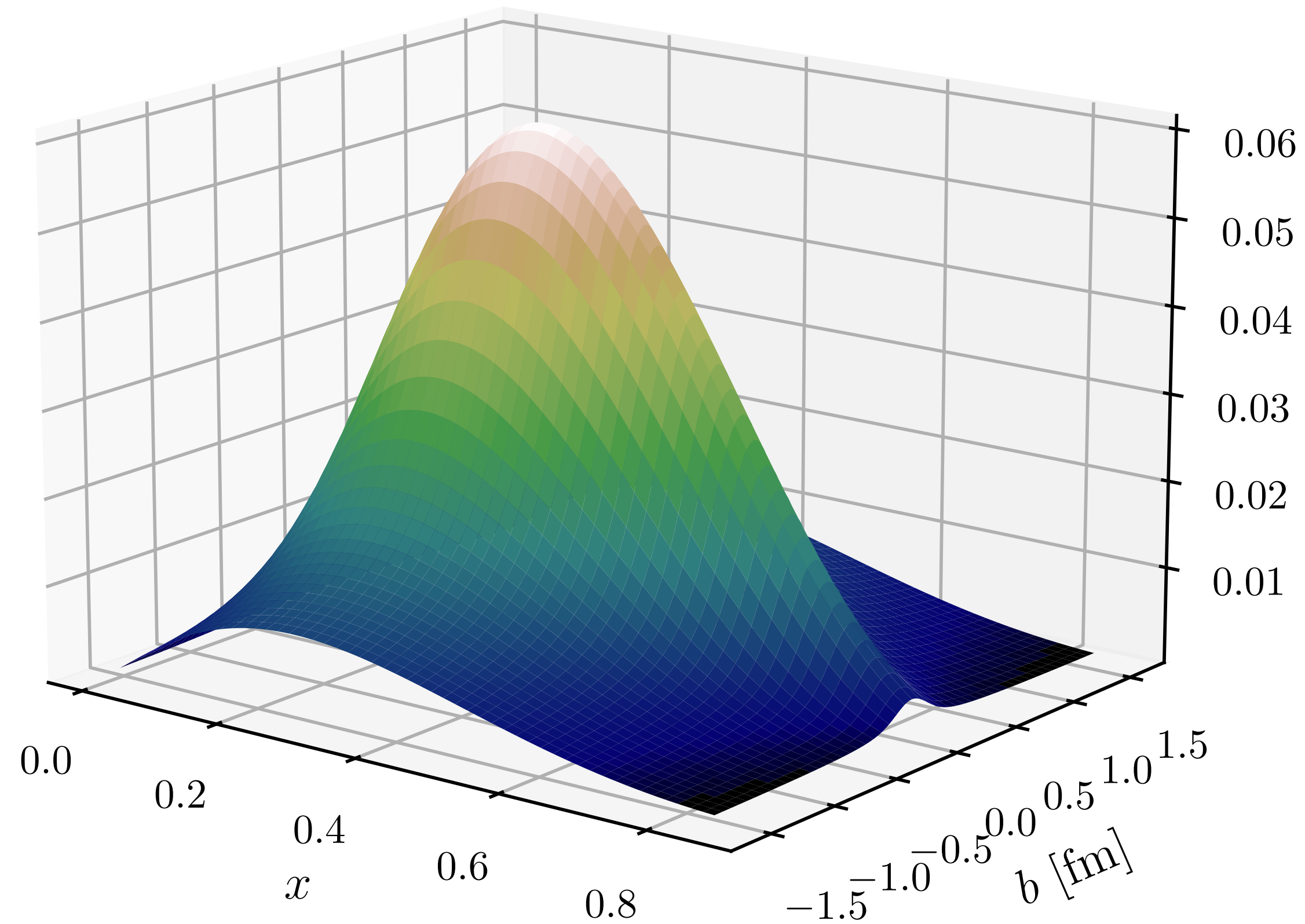
Illuminating the Inner Workings of the Proton by Simon Mansfield  
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# Confinement: static quark potential

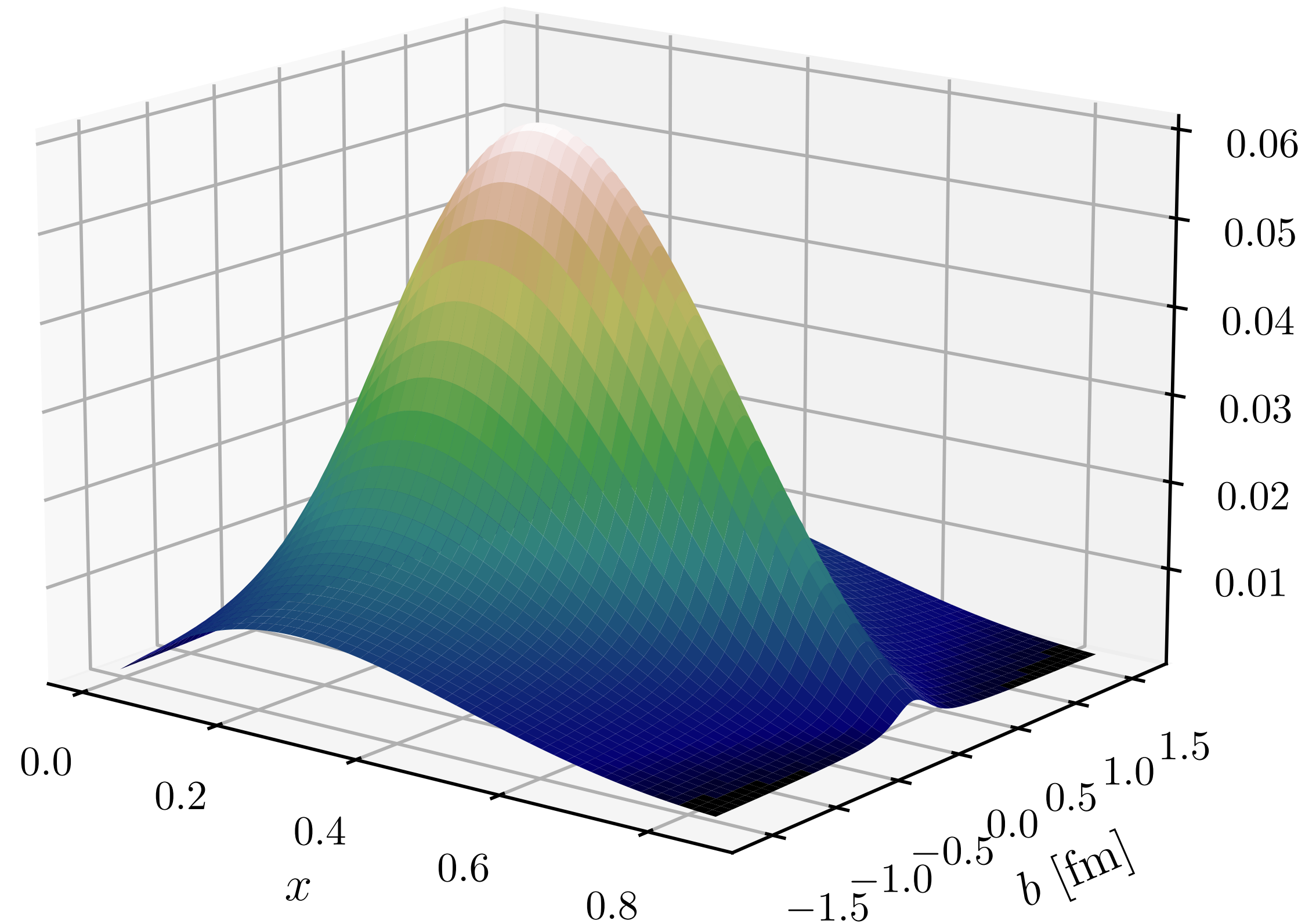


# Imaging nucleon structure

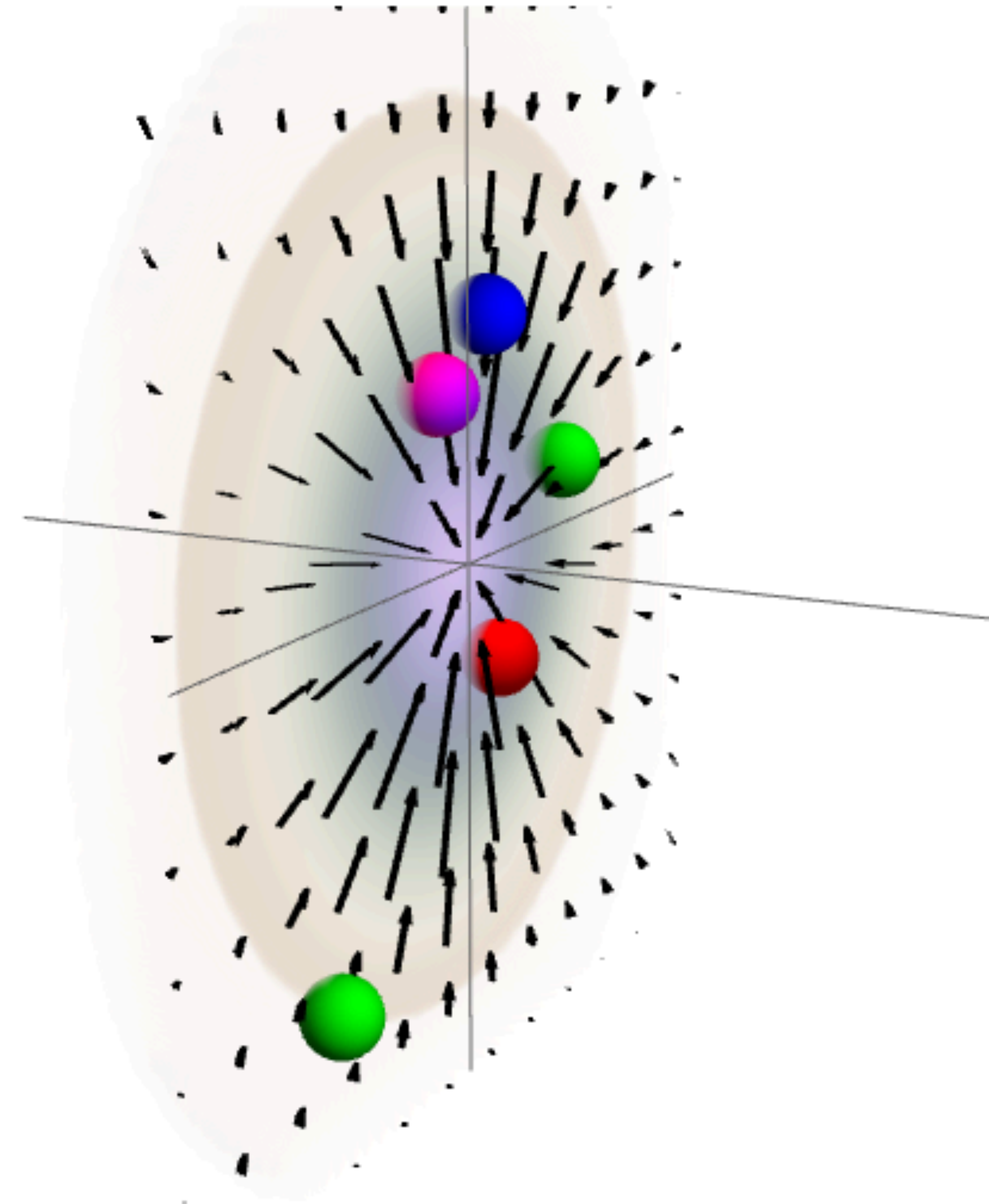


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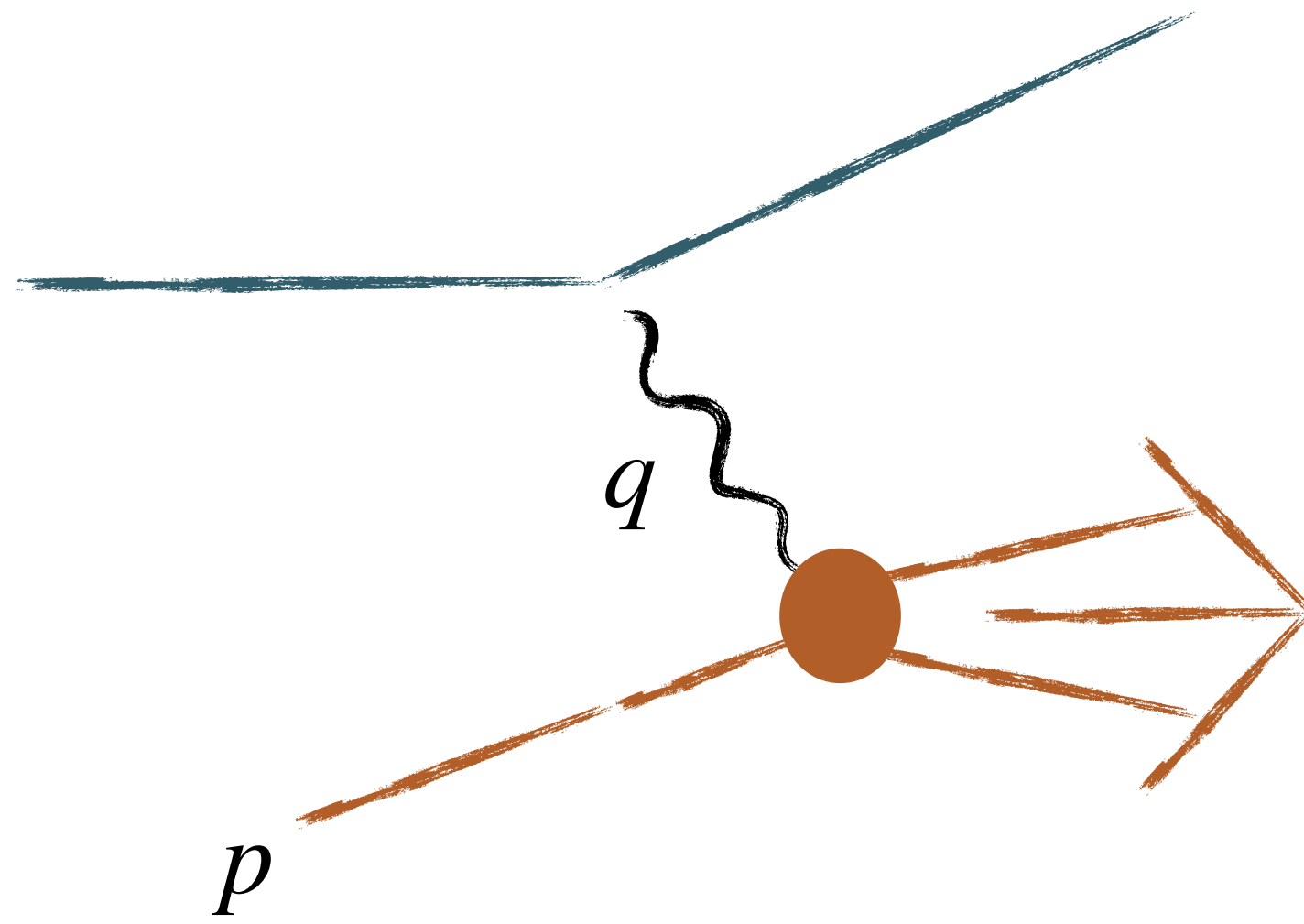
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Can we go further to describe the  
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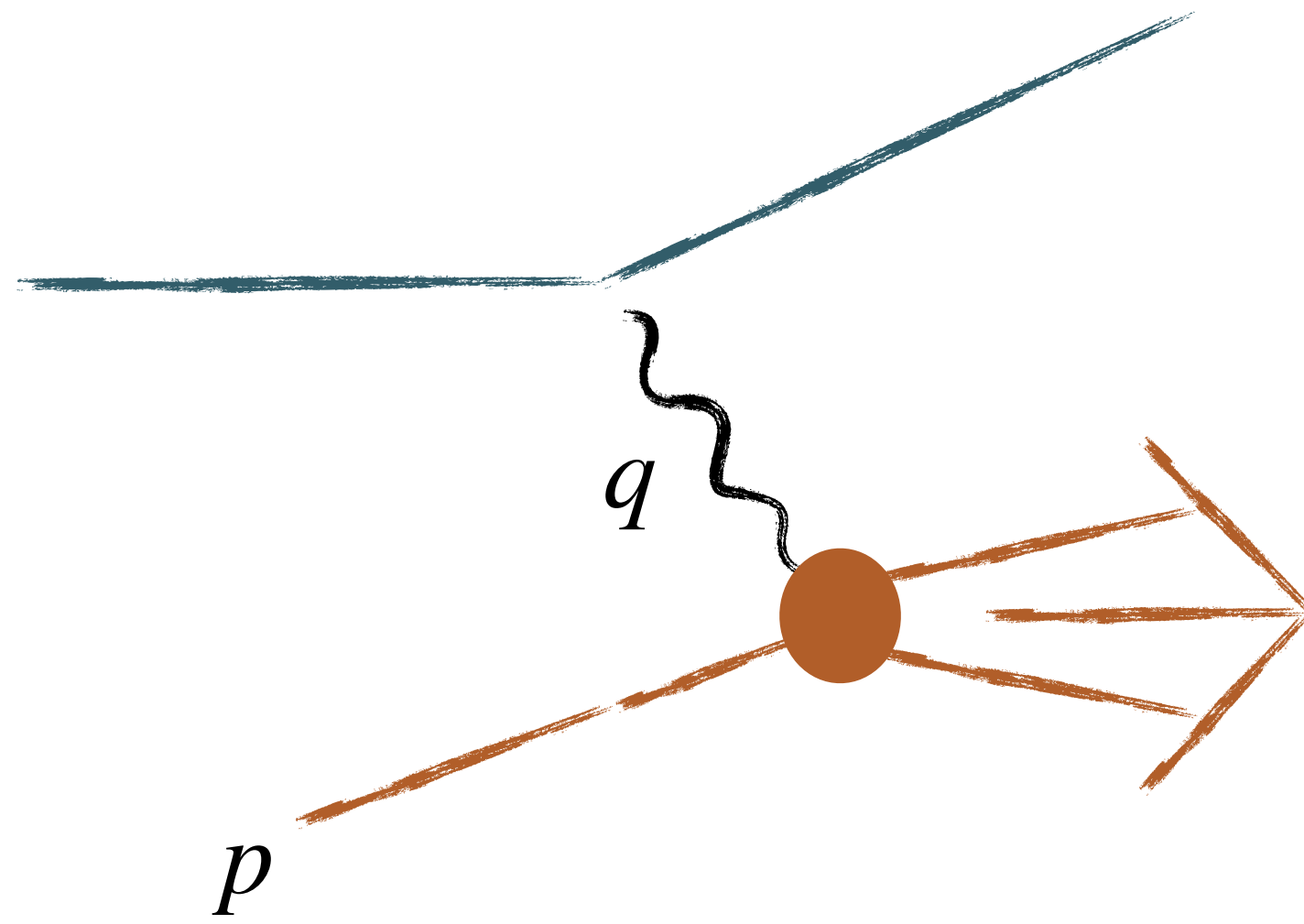
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## Hadron tensor

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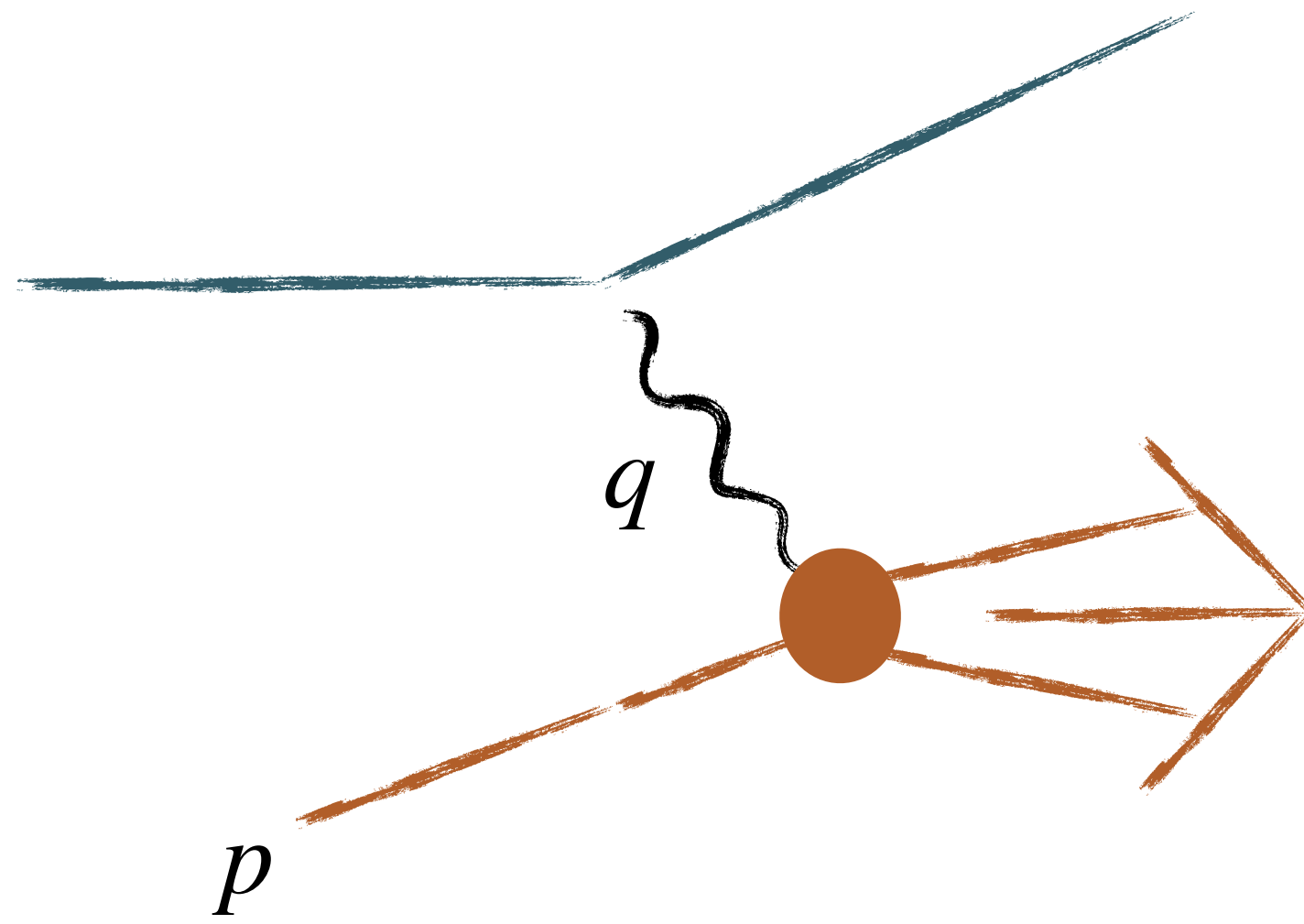
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**$g_2$ : No simple partonic interpretation!**



# Colour-Lorentz force

Burkardt, PRD, 2013

While no simple parton interpretation, moment of the  $g_2$  structure function can be expressed in terms of a local matrix element

$$\int dx x^2 \bar{g}_2(x) = \frac{d_2}{3} \equiv \frac{1}{6} \sum_q e_q^2 d_2^q$$

where

$$d_2^q = \frac{1}{2MP^+P^+S^x} \langle P, S | \bar{\psi}_q(0) \gamma^+ g G^{+y}(0) \psi_q(0) | P, S \rangle$$

Quark current density  
coupled to colour-  
Lorentz force

$$G^{+y} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (G^{0y} + G^{zy}) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [\vec{E}_c + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}_c]^y = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} F^y!$$

# Transverse densities

Electromagnetic current

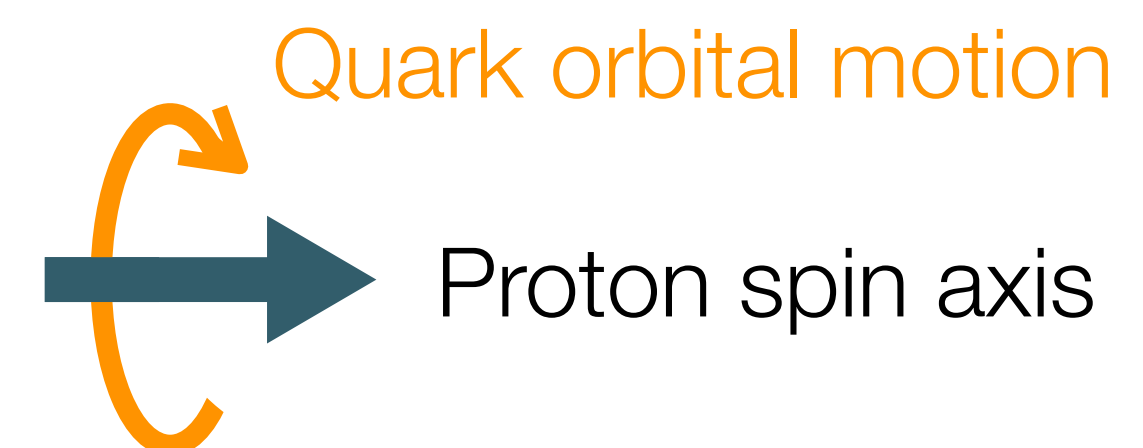
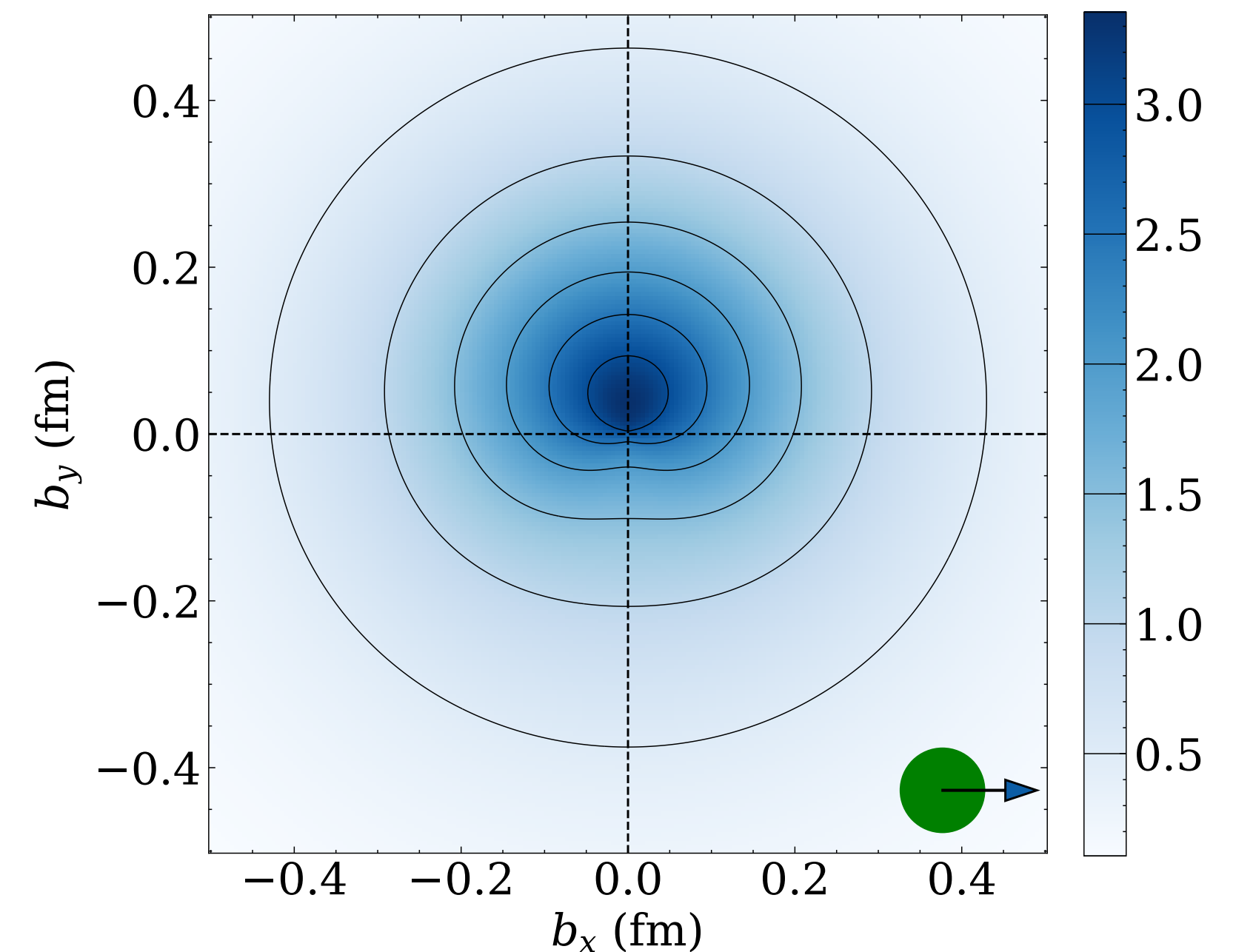
$$\langle p', s' | \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi | p, s \rangle = \bar{u}(p', s') \left[ \underbrace{\gamma^\mu F_1(t)}_{\text{Dirac}} + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2m_N} \underbrace{F_2(t)}_{\text{Pauli}} \right] u(p, s)$$

2D Fourier  
transforms

$$\tilde{F}_1(b^2), \tilde{F}_2(b^2)$$

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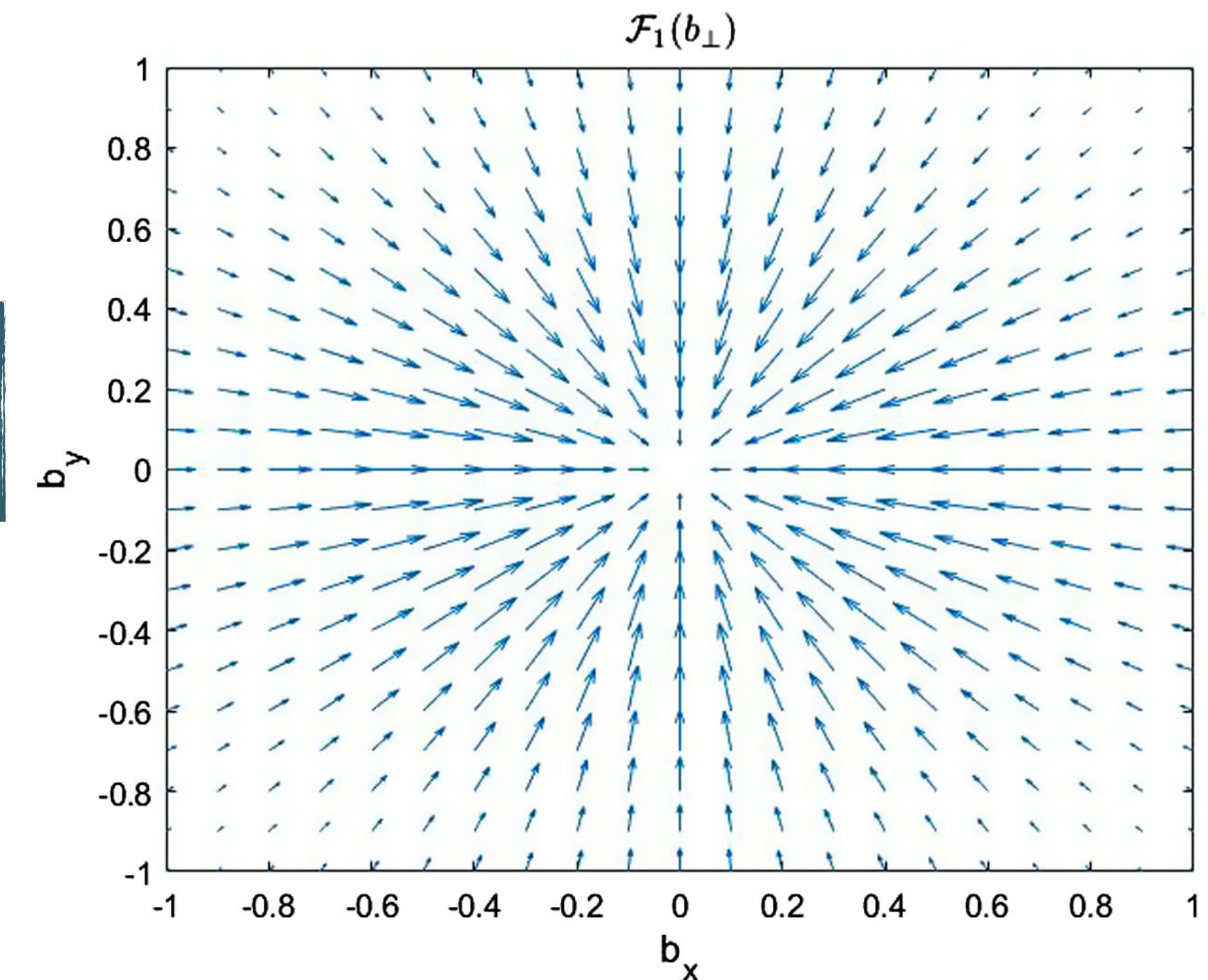
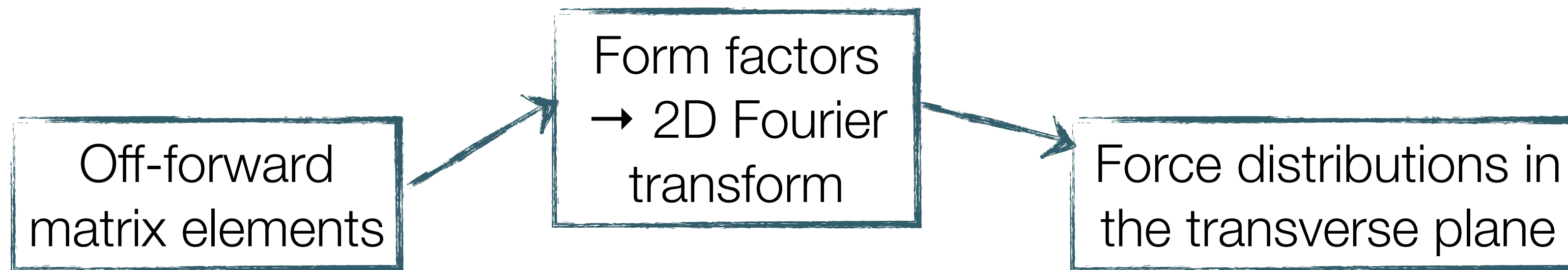


# Twist-3 off-forward matrix elements

Aslan, Burkardt, Schlegel, PRD, 2019

$$\langle p', s' | \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ i g G^{+i} \psi | p, s \rangle = \bar{u}(p', s') \left[ P^+ \Delta^i \gamma^+ \Phi_1(t) + M P^+ i \sigma^{+i} \Phi_2(t) + \frac{1}{M} P^+ \Delta^i i \sigma^{+\Delta} \Phi_3(t) \right] u(p, s),$$

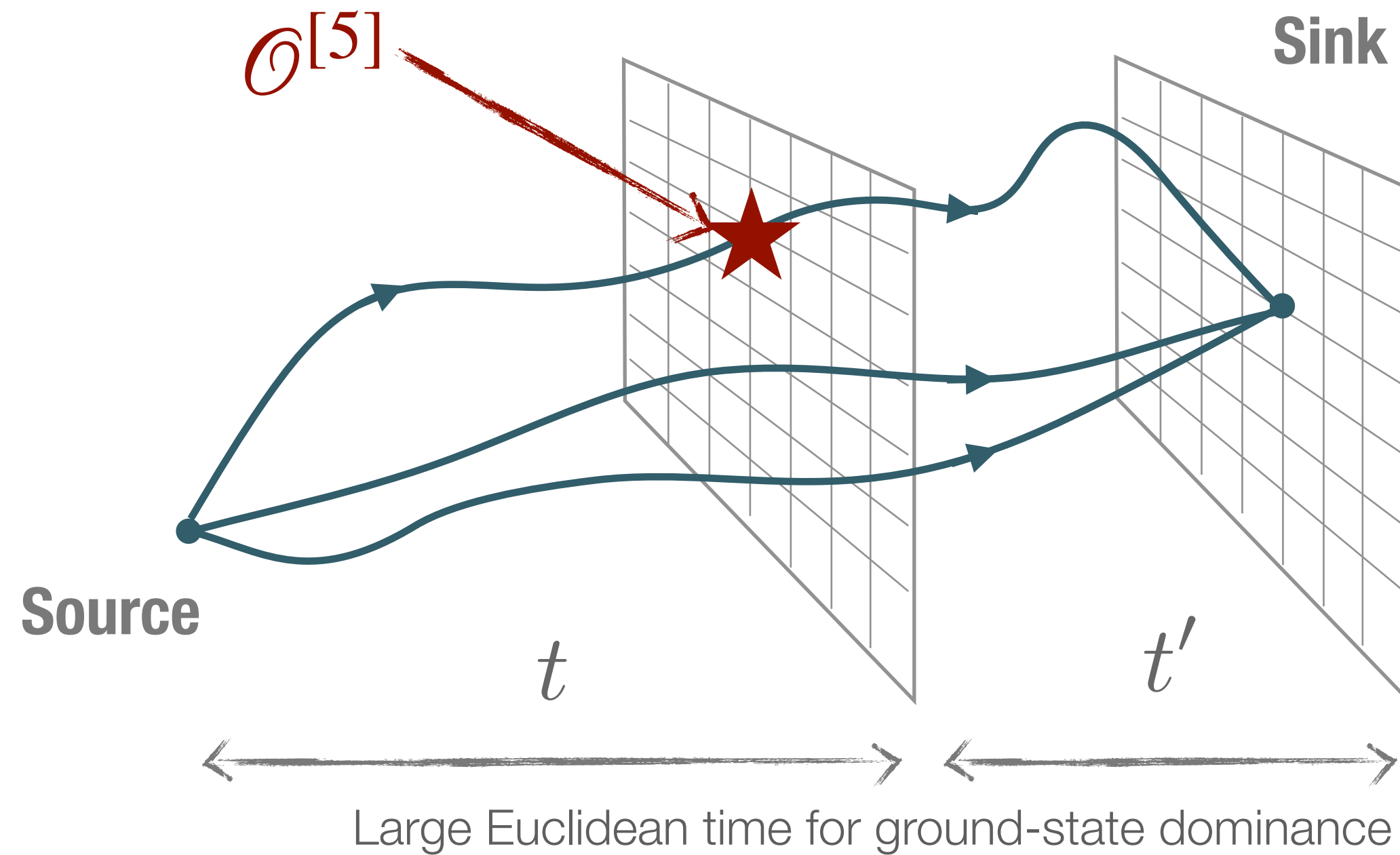
where  $P^\mu = (p' + p)^\mu / 2$ ,  $\Delta^\mu = (p' - p)^\mu$ ,  $t = -\Delta^2$  and  $\sigma^{\mu\Delta} = \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Delta_\nu$ .





# Recall: 3-point functions

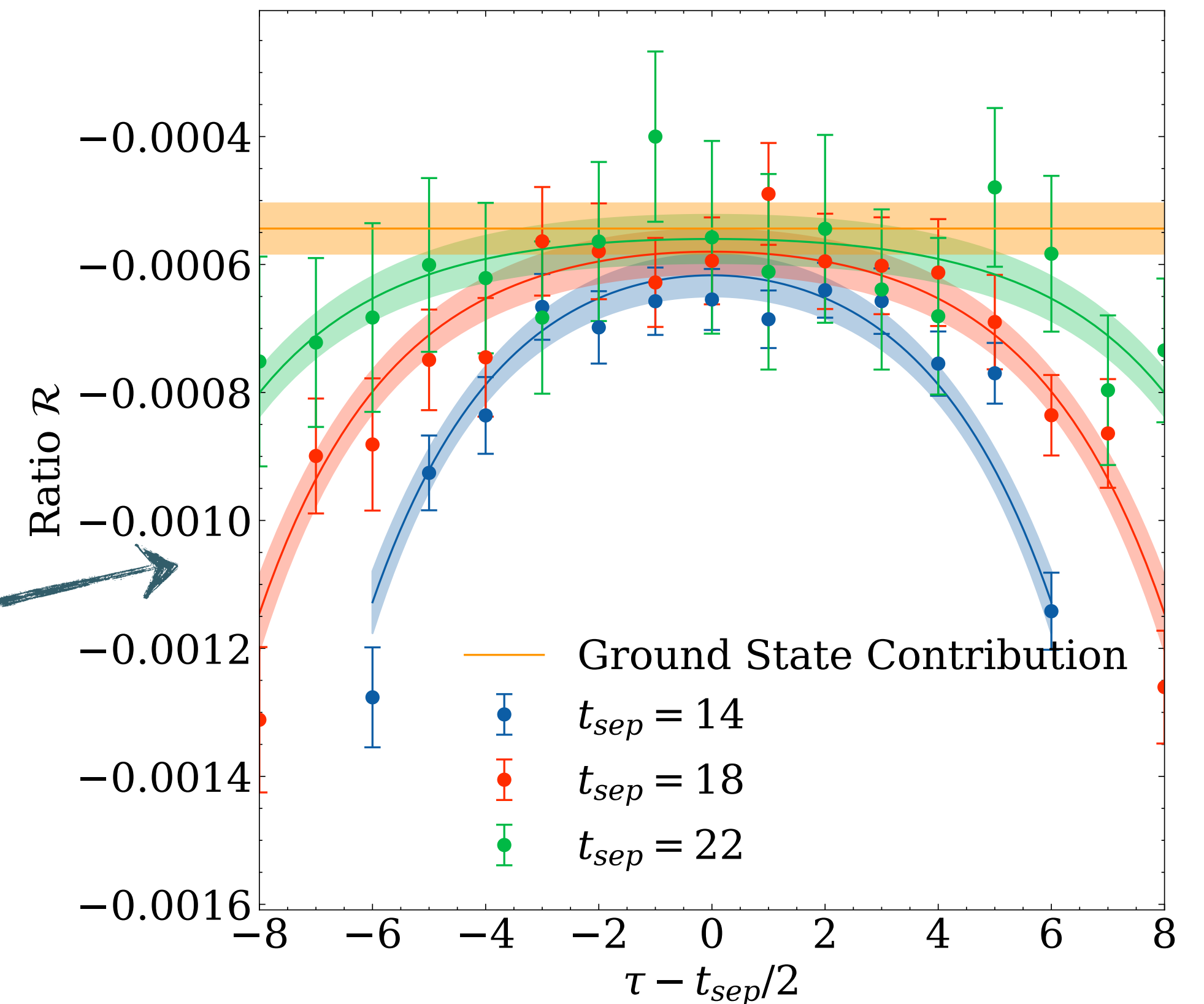
Compute 3-point correlators on the lattice



3 source-sink separations to establish ground-state dominance

$$\mathcal{O}_{[i\{j\}4]}^{[5]} = -\frac{g}{6}\bar{\psi}\left(\tilde{G}_{ij}\gamma_4 + \tilde{G}_{i4}\gamma_j\right)\psi - \text{traces}$$

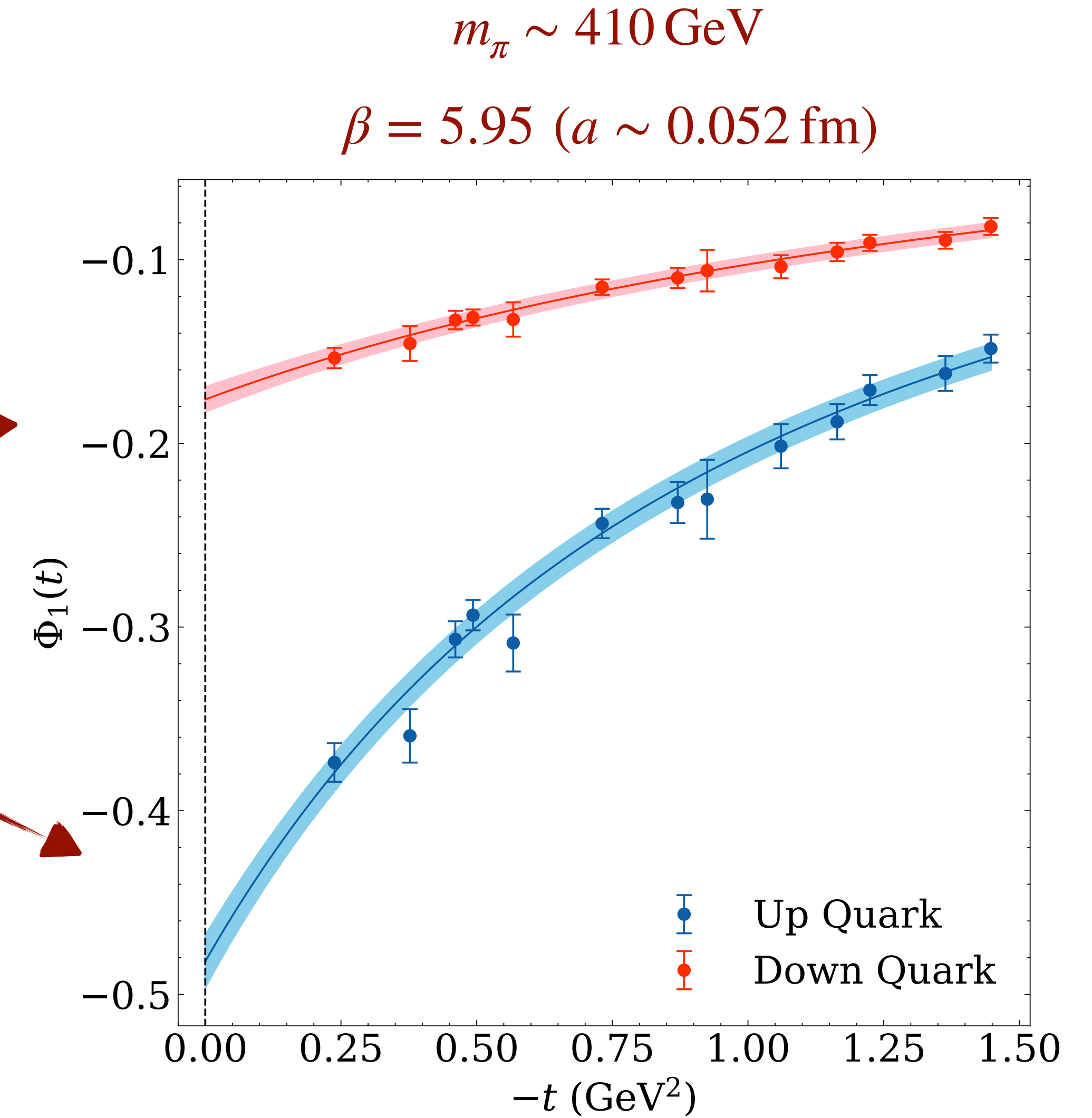
$$\frac{\langle C_3(t, t') \rangle}{\langle C_2(t) \rangle \langle C_2(t') \rangle} \propto \langle N' | J | N \rangle$$



# $\Phi_1$ form factor

- $\Phi_1$ : isotropic force distribution
- Dipole fits to lattice results

*Negative form factors  
⇒ attractive forces*



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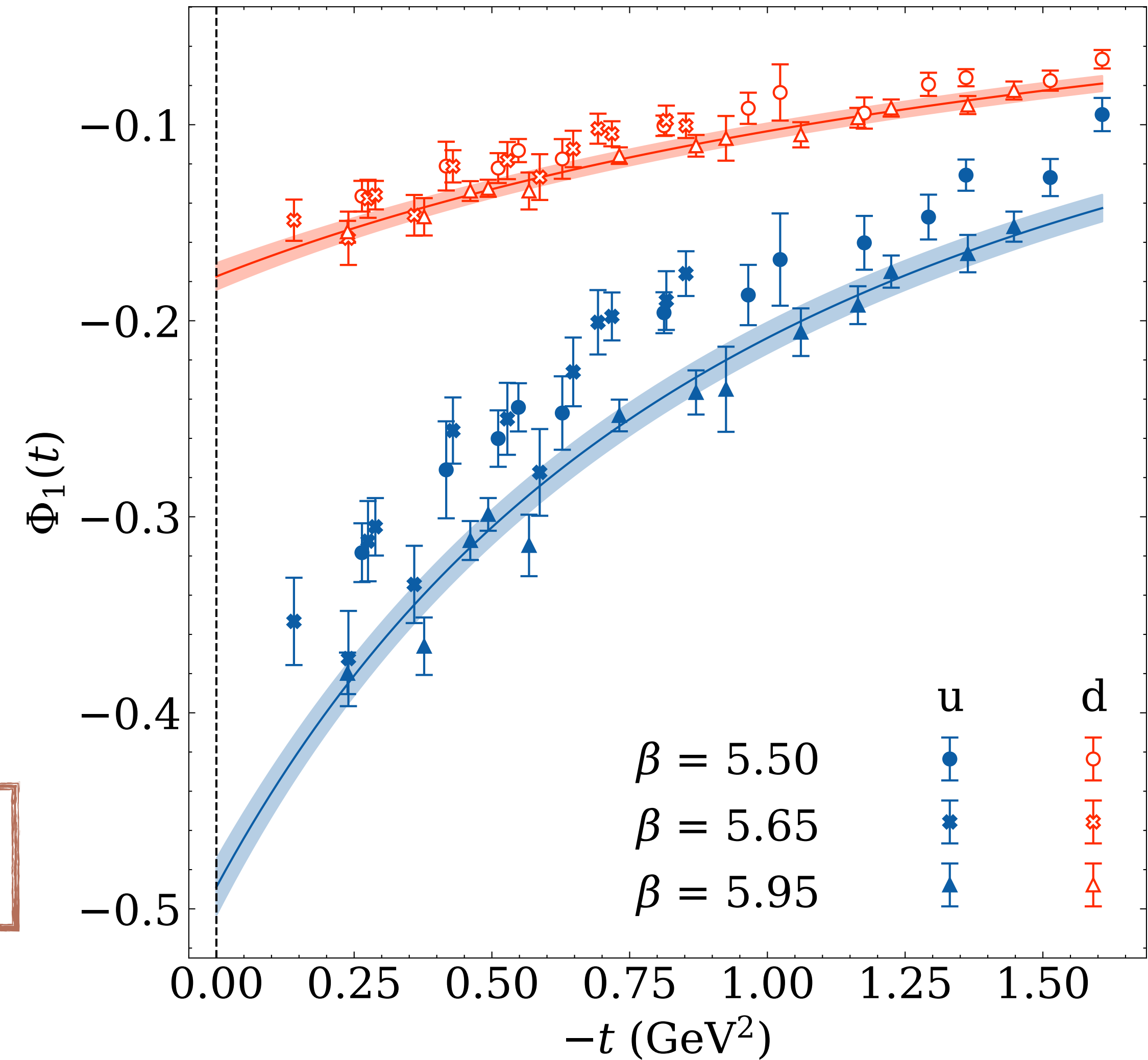
# Discretisation effects

Extract form factors at 3 lattice spacings,

$$a \sim 0.74, 0.68, 0.52 \text{ fm}$$

$$m_\pi \sim 410 \text{ GeV}$$

Some tension between different  
lattices; mostly in overall normalisation

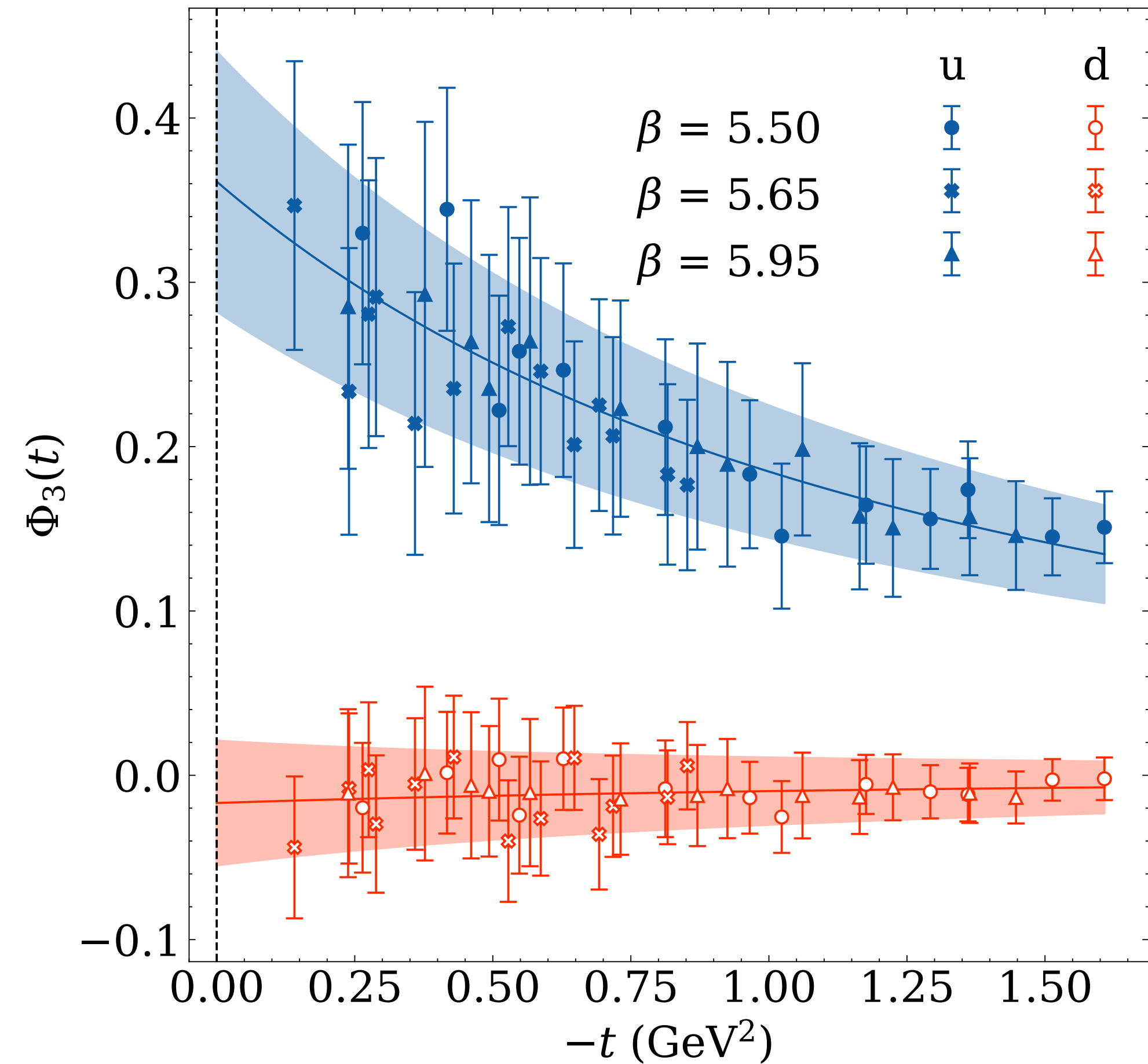
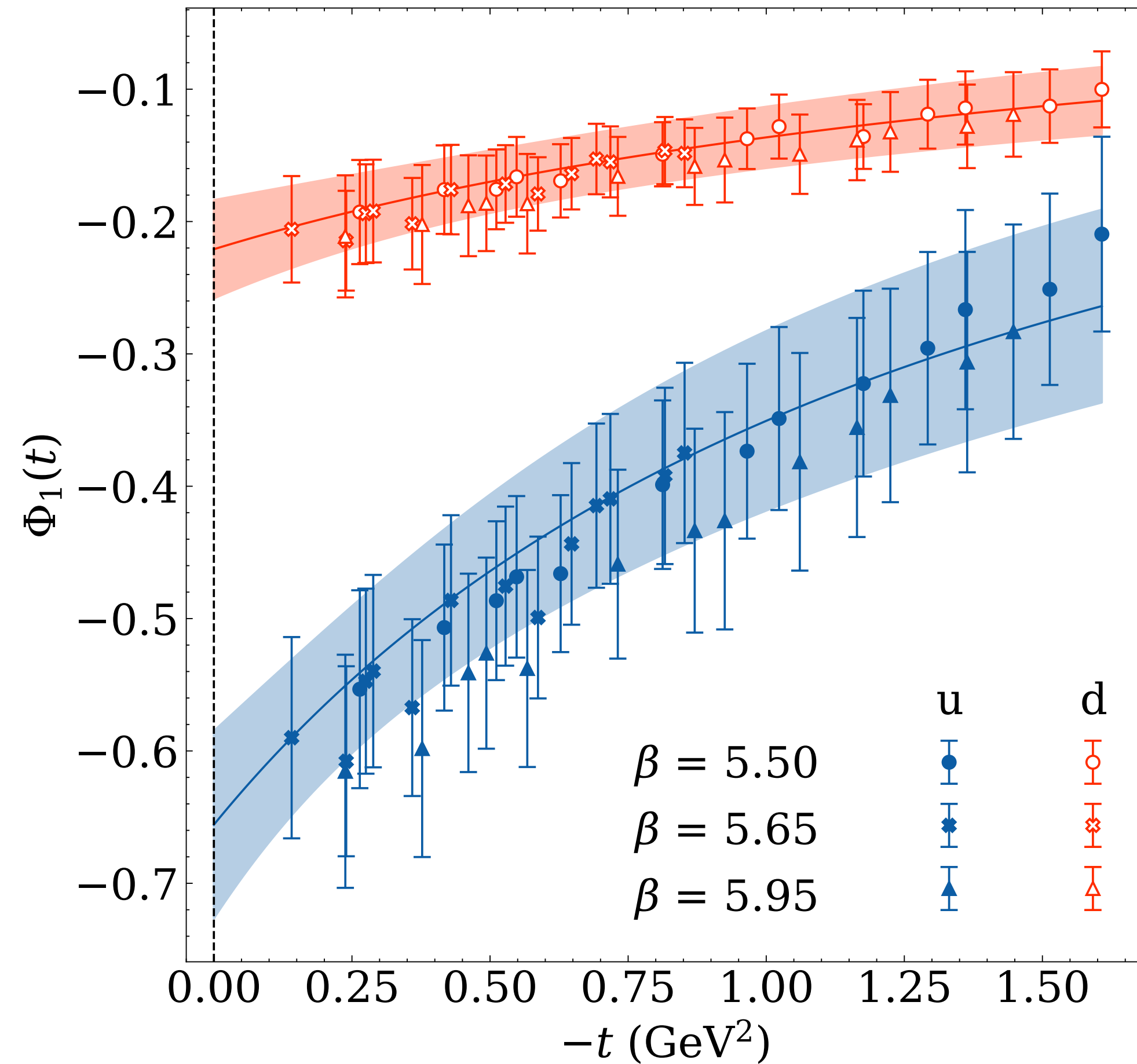




# Global fit

Model  $a$  dependence in magnitude and slope

$$\Phi_i(t, a) = \frac{\Phi_i(0) + b_i a}{\left(1 + t \left(\frac{1}{\Lambda_i^2} + c_i a\right)\right)^2},$$



Error bars here include estimate for  $a \rightarrow 0$

# Force densities

2D Fourier transform to impact parameter space

Quark densities

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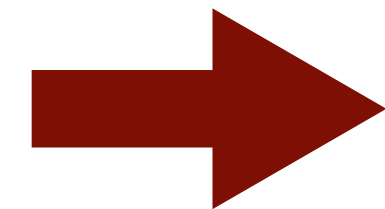
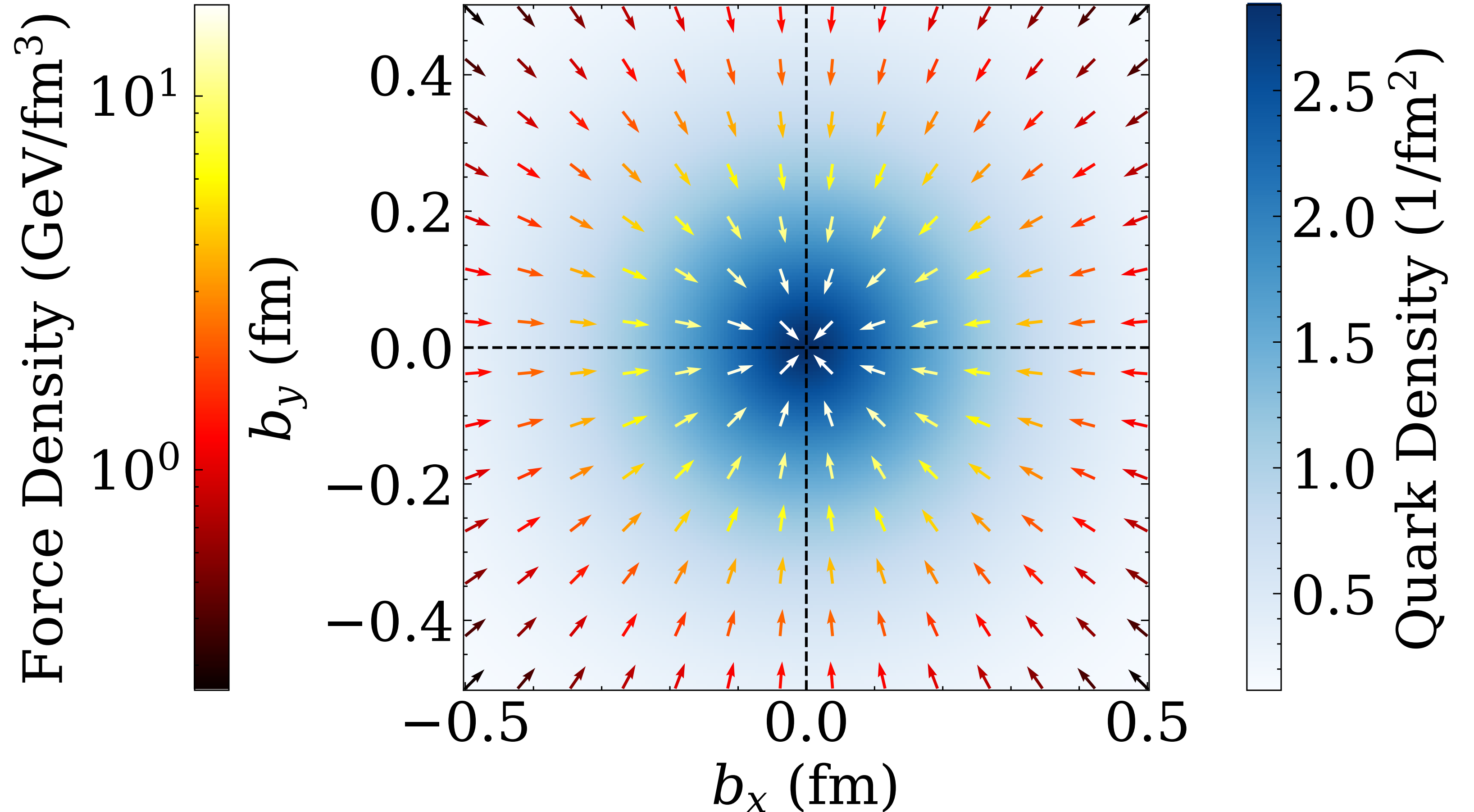
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Spherically symmetric

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Transversely polarised  
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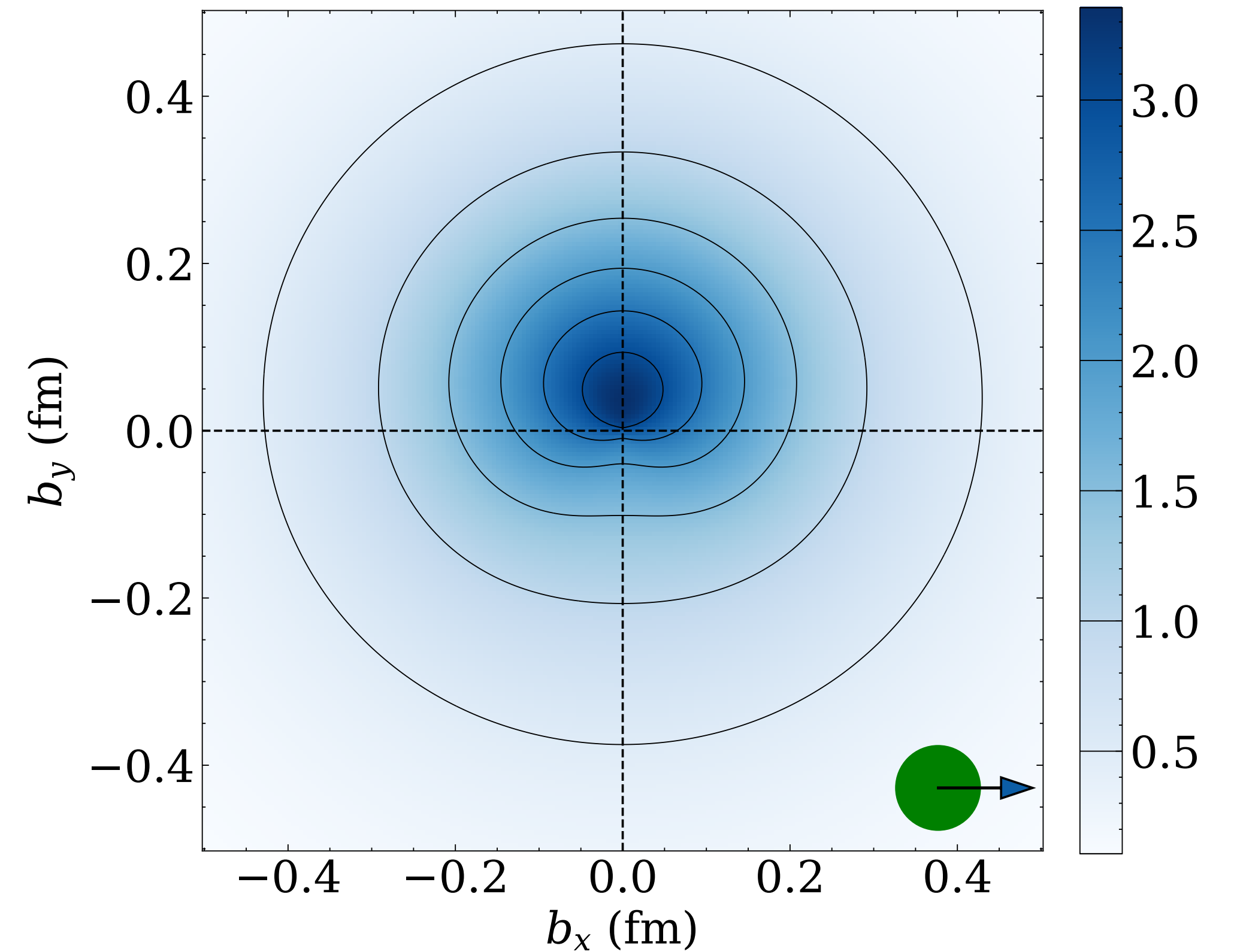
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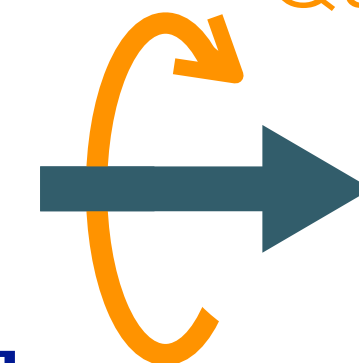
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Quark orbital motion



Proton spin axis

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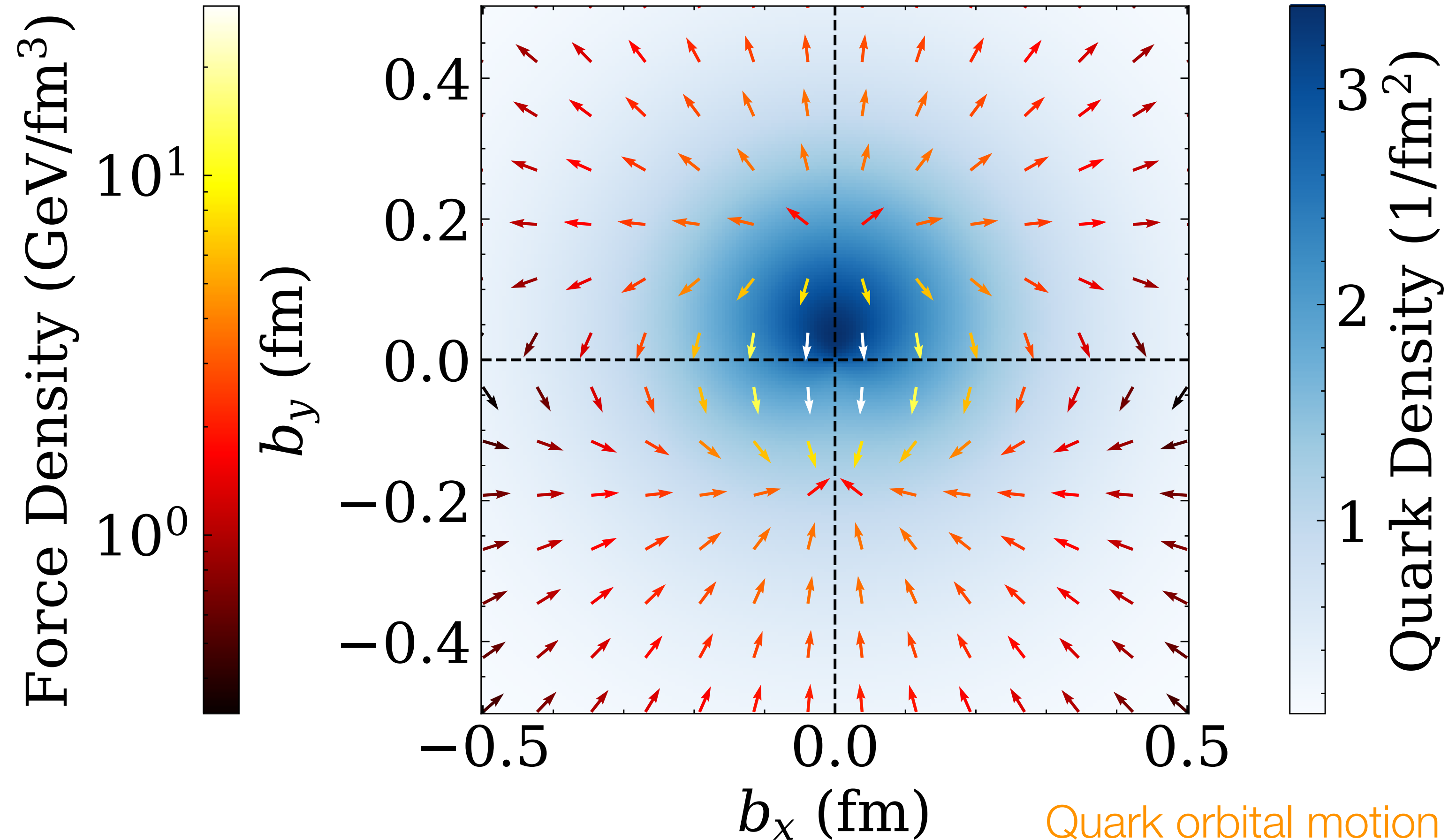
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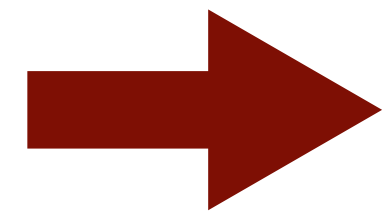


# Local forces

Dividing out the quark densities

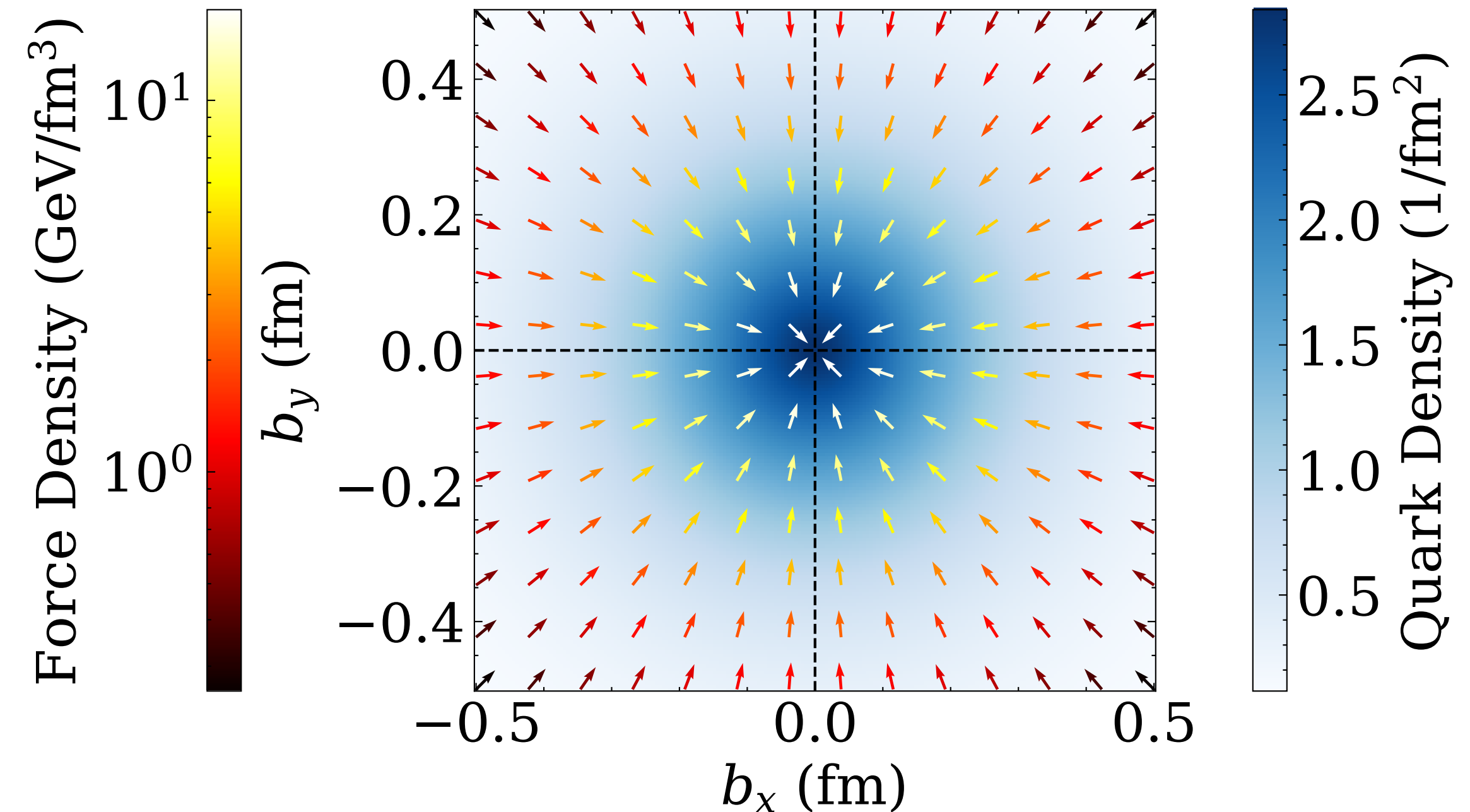
Force densities = “quark density” x “force”

$$\mathcal{F} \sim \langle \rho F \rangle$$



Motivates modelling the local forces as:

$$F \sim \frac{\langle \rho F \rangle}{\langle \rho \rangle}$$



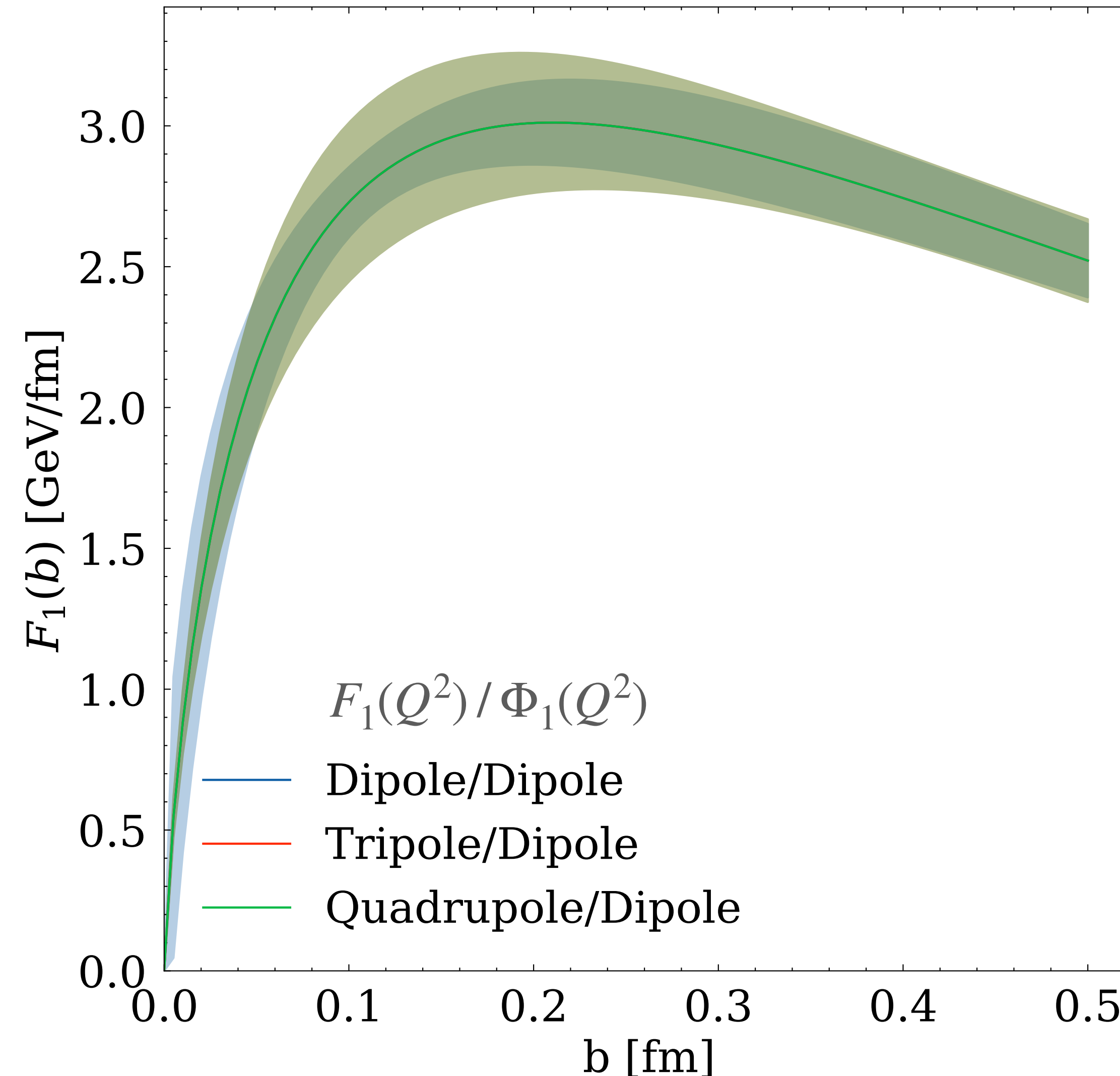


# Local forces

spin independent  $\Phi_1$

$$\sim \frac{\langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ F^{+b} \psi \rangle}{\langle \bar{\psi} \gamma^+ \psi \rangle}$$

Strong forces at  
intermediate distances



Does this resemble the static  
quark potential anyone?



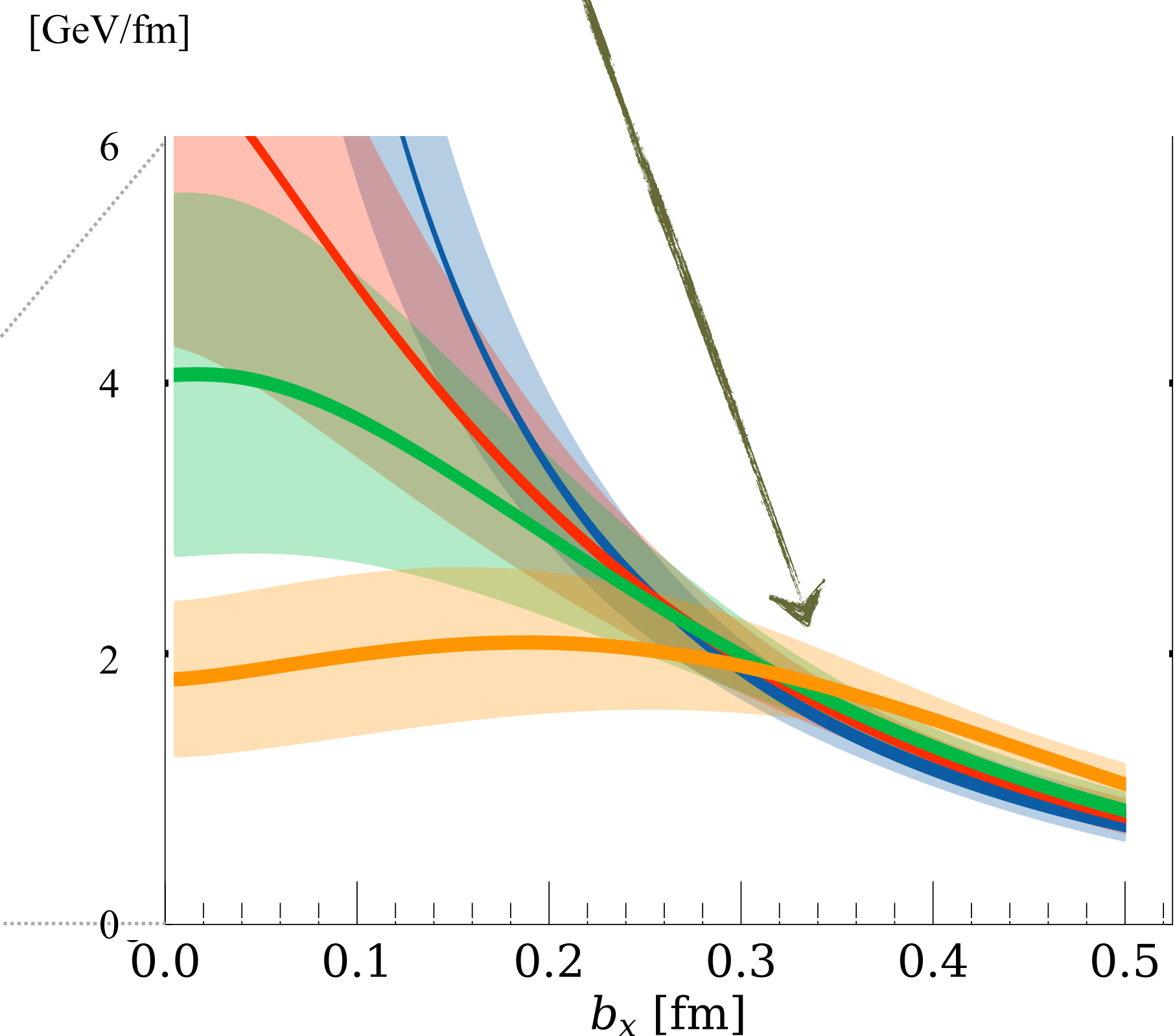
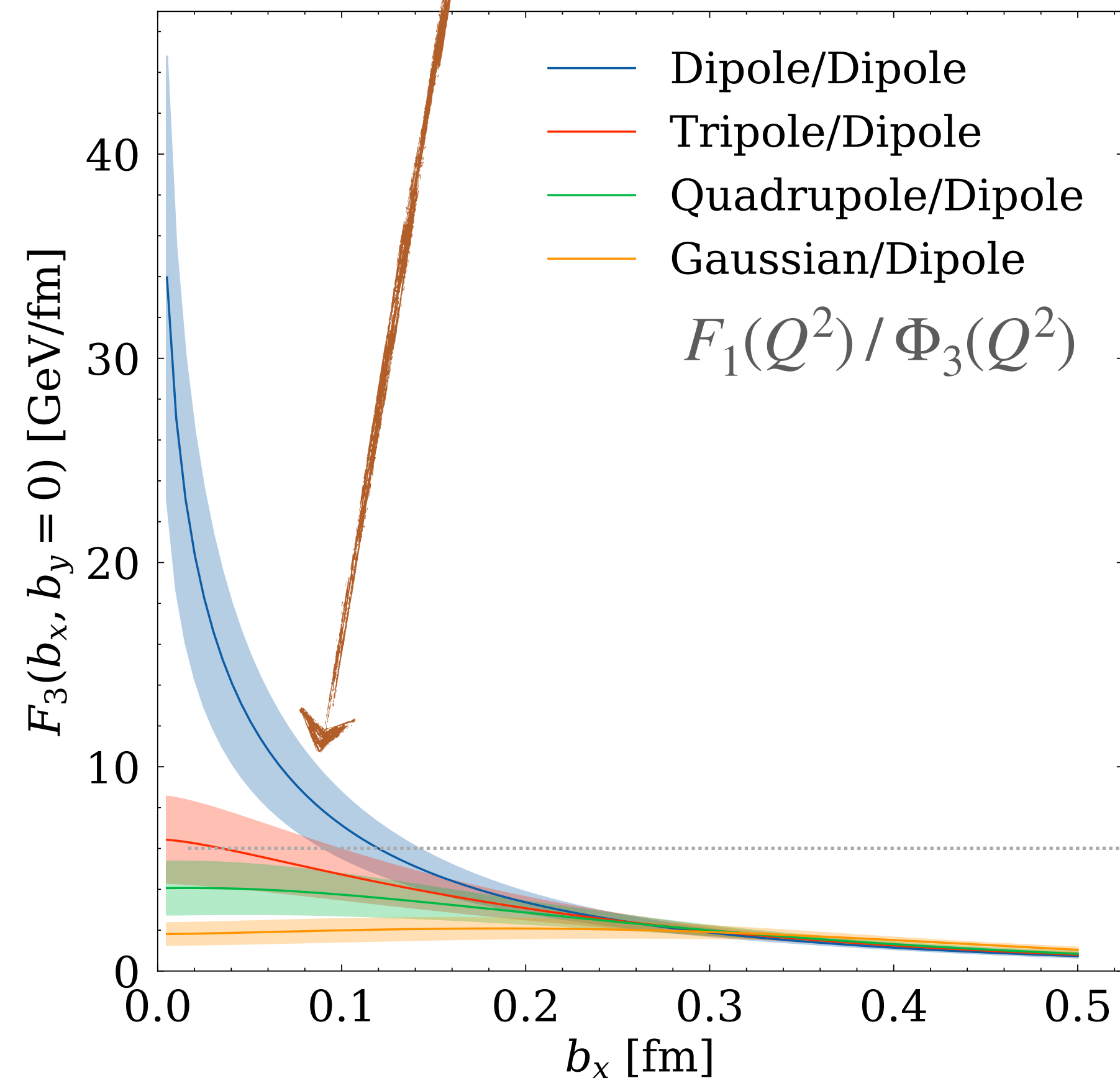
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spin dependent  $\Phi_3$

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Short distance behaviour quite sensitive to model:  
need good FFs at large  $Q^2$

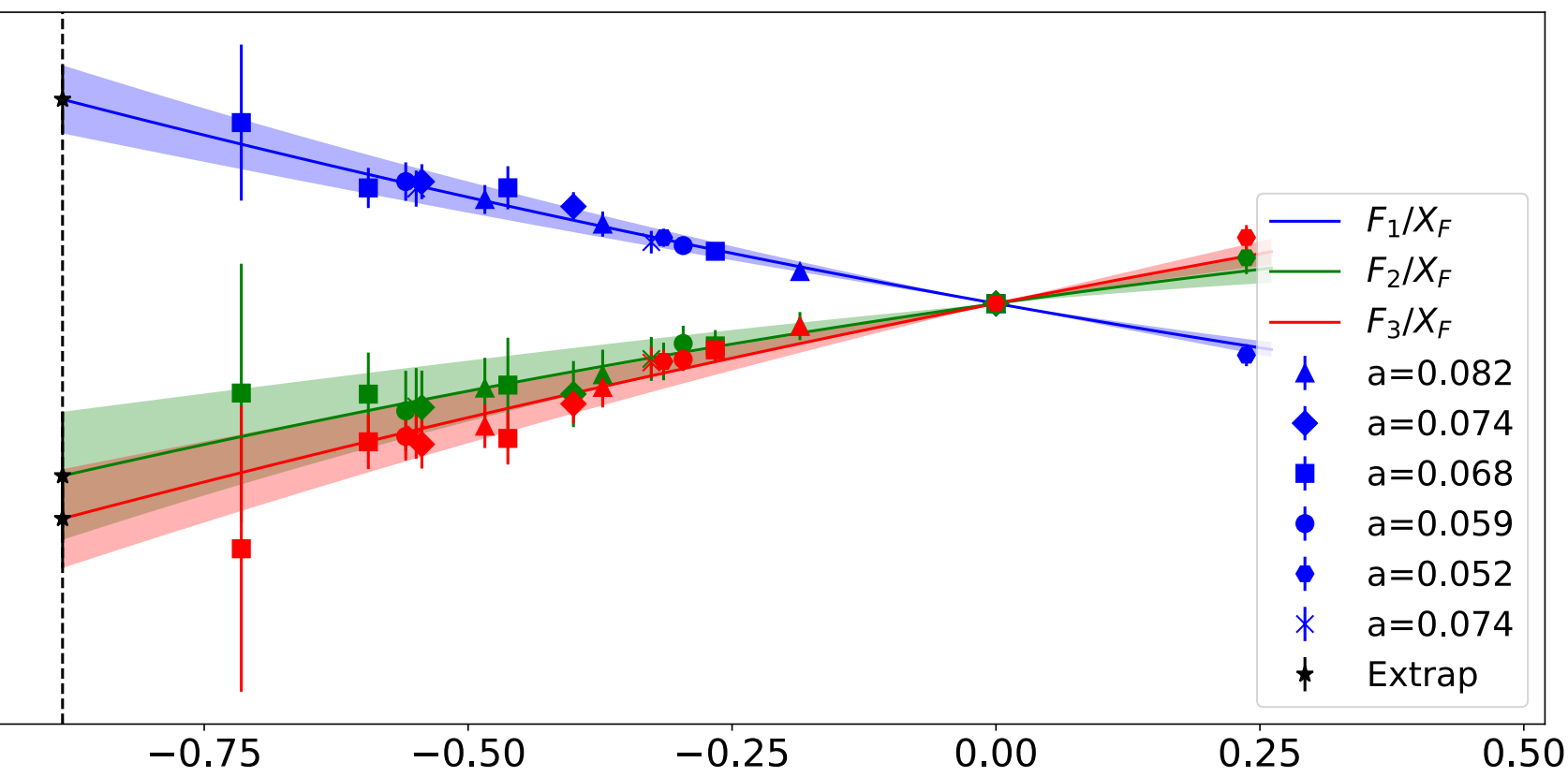
Asymptotic trend?  
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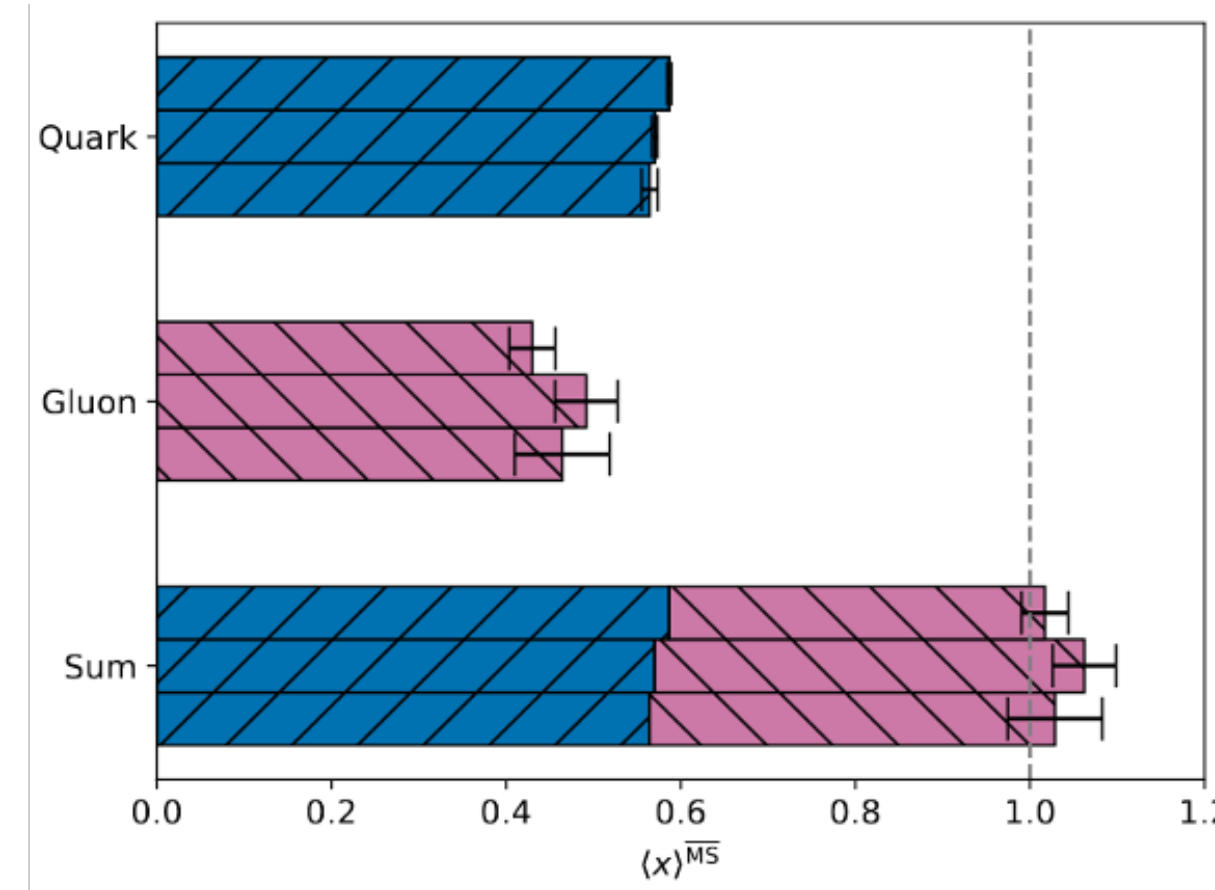
Sketch magnitude of force along  $b_x$  (fixed  $b_y = 0$ )



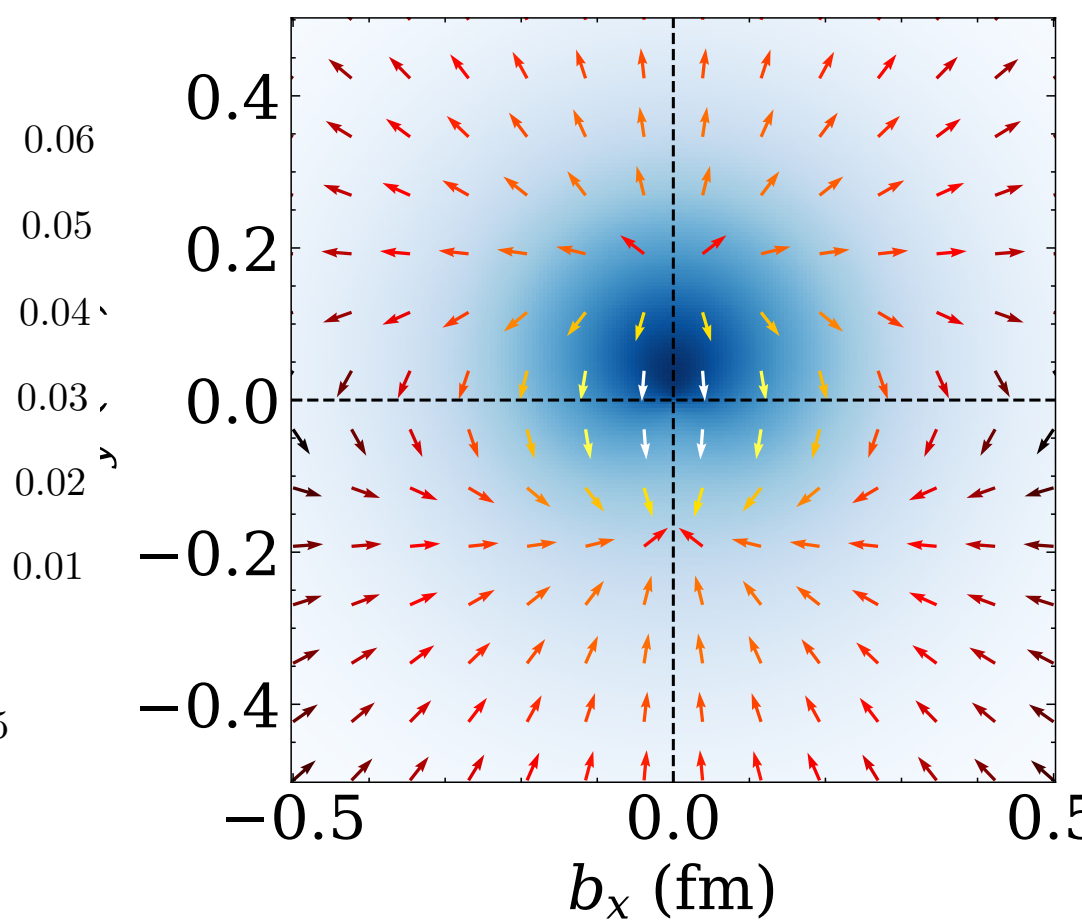
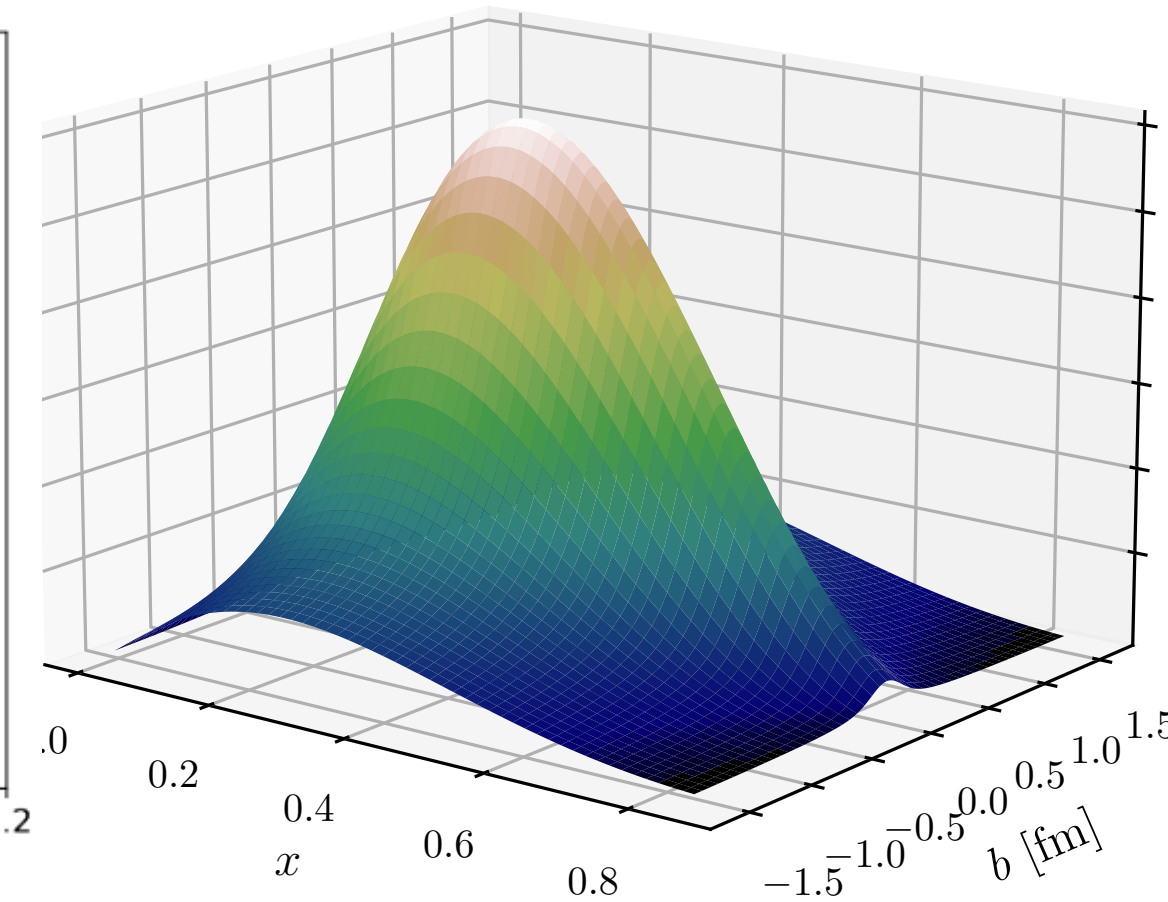
# Summary and outlook



Precision results for hadronic structure observables now becoming possible

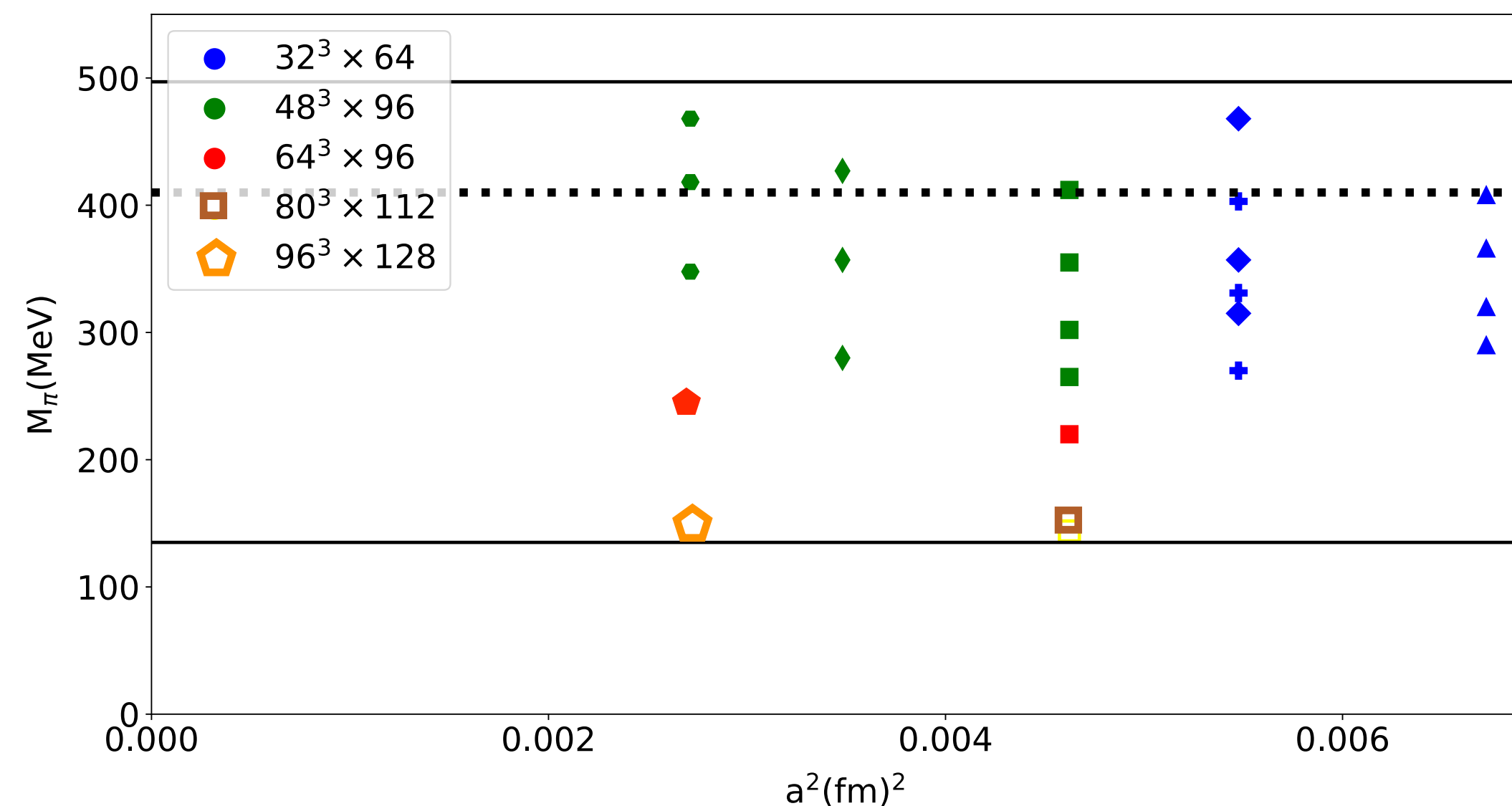


Feynman-Hellmann offers competitive alternative to n-point functions for some observables



Twist-3 matrix elements offer new opportunities to probe interaction dynamics of partons

Future improvements: ensembles with near-physical quark masses and  $4 \lesssim m_\pi L$



**BACKUP**



# Impact on phenomenology

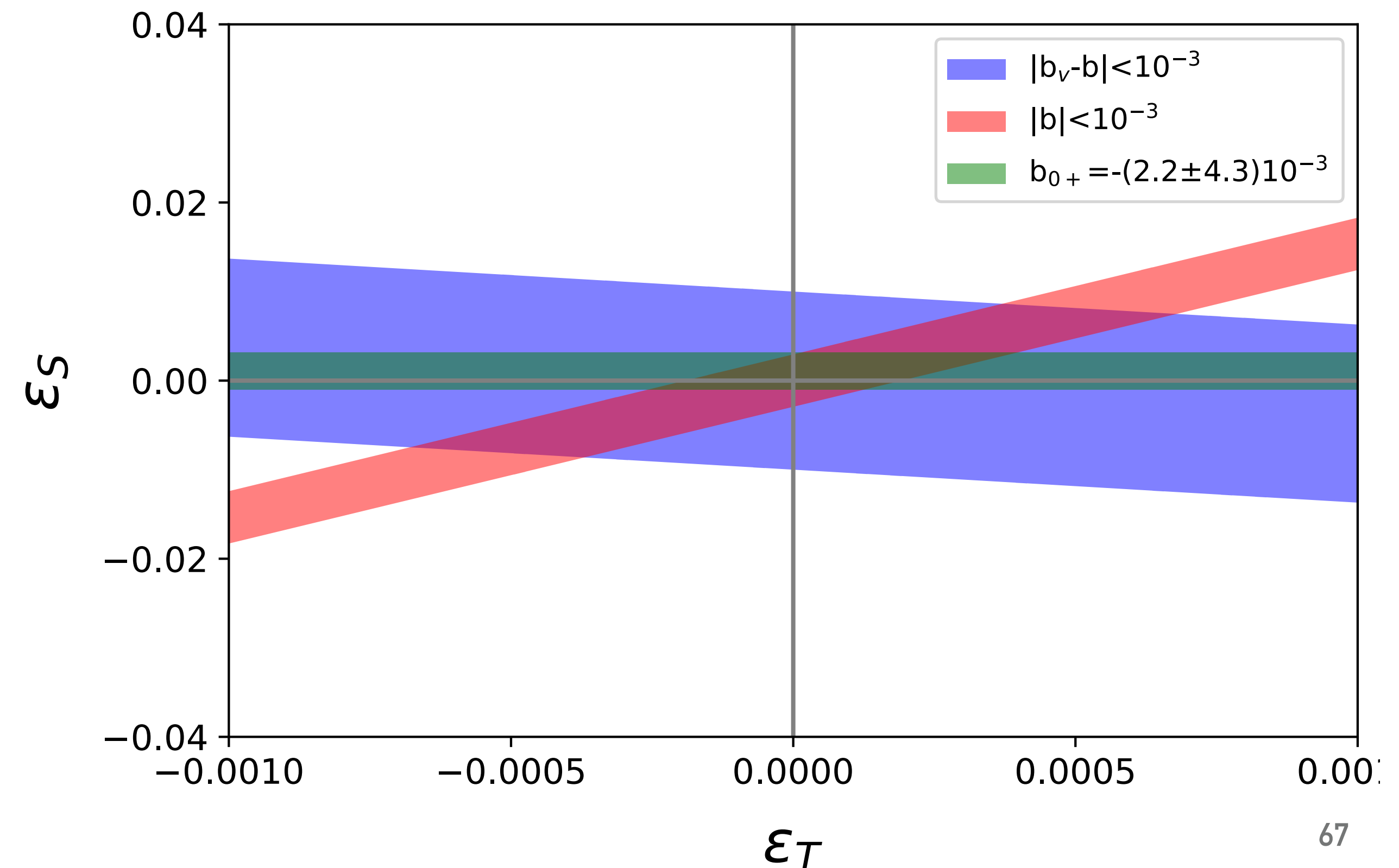
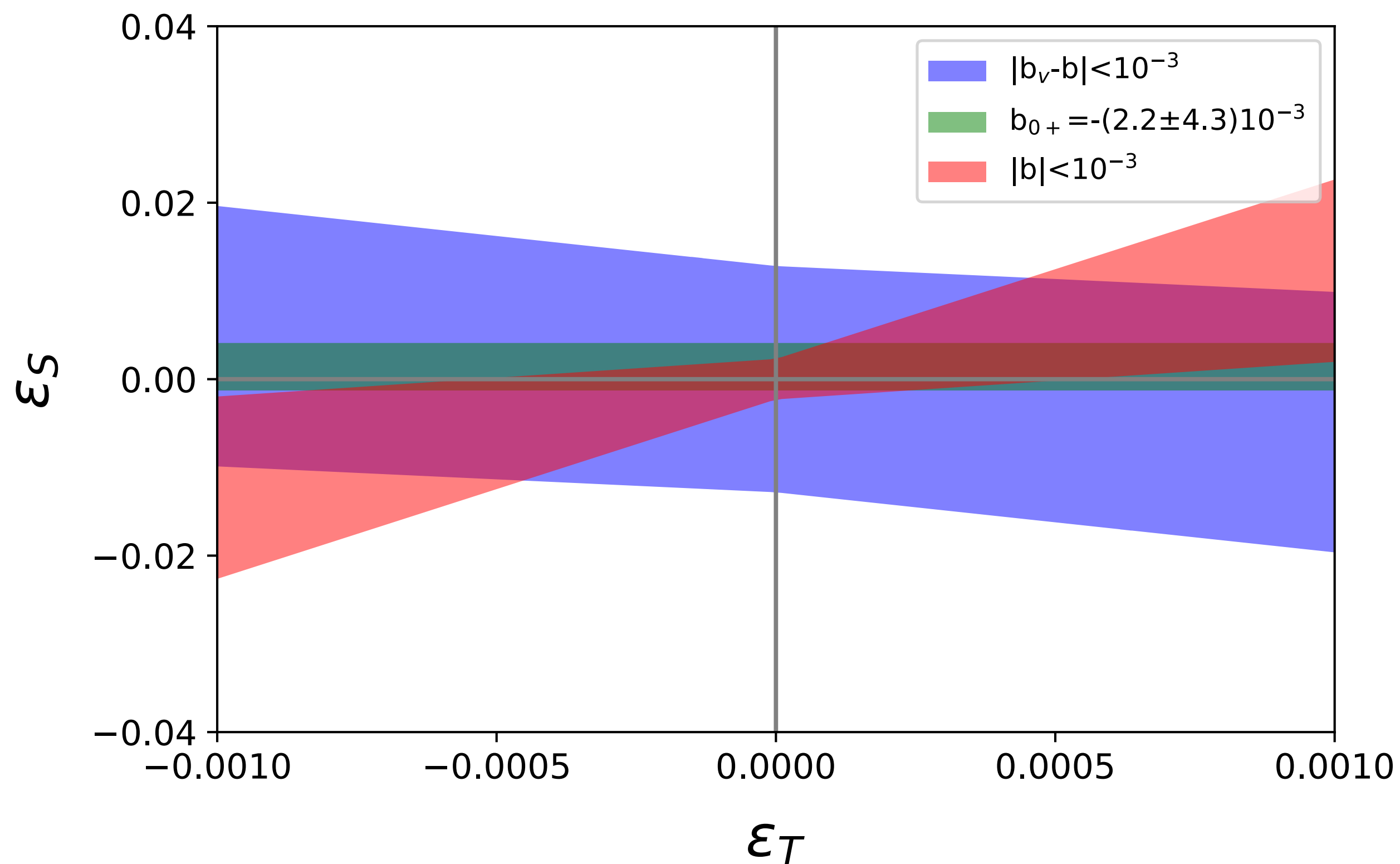
Following Bhattacharya et al., PRD, 2012

Experimental rates sensitive to product of

(Tensor and scalar charges:  $g_T/g_S$ ) X (new-physics effective couplings:  $\epsilon_T/\epsilon_S$ )

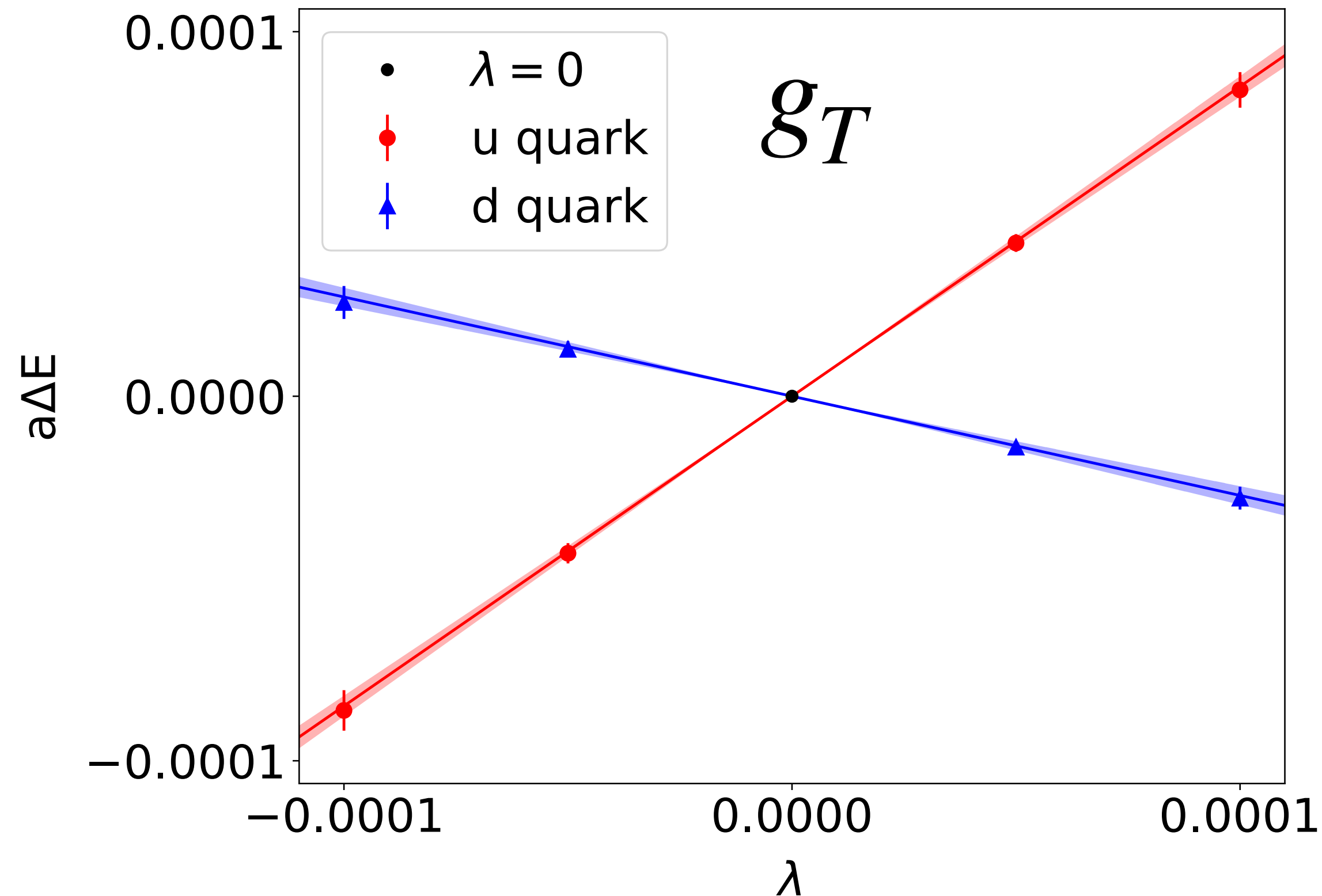
Current and projected experimental limits with  $g_T/g_S$  (this work)

With  $g_T = g_S = 1$  (no error)



# Lambda dependence

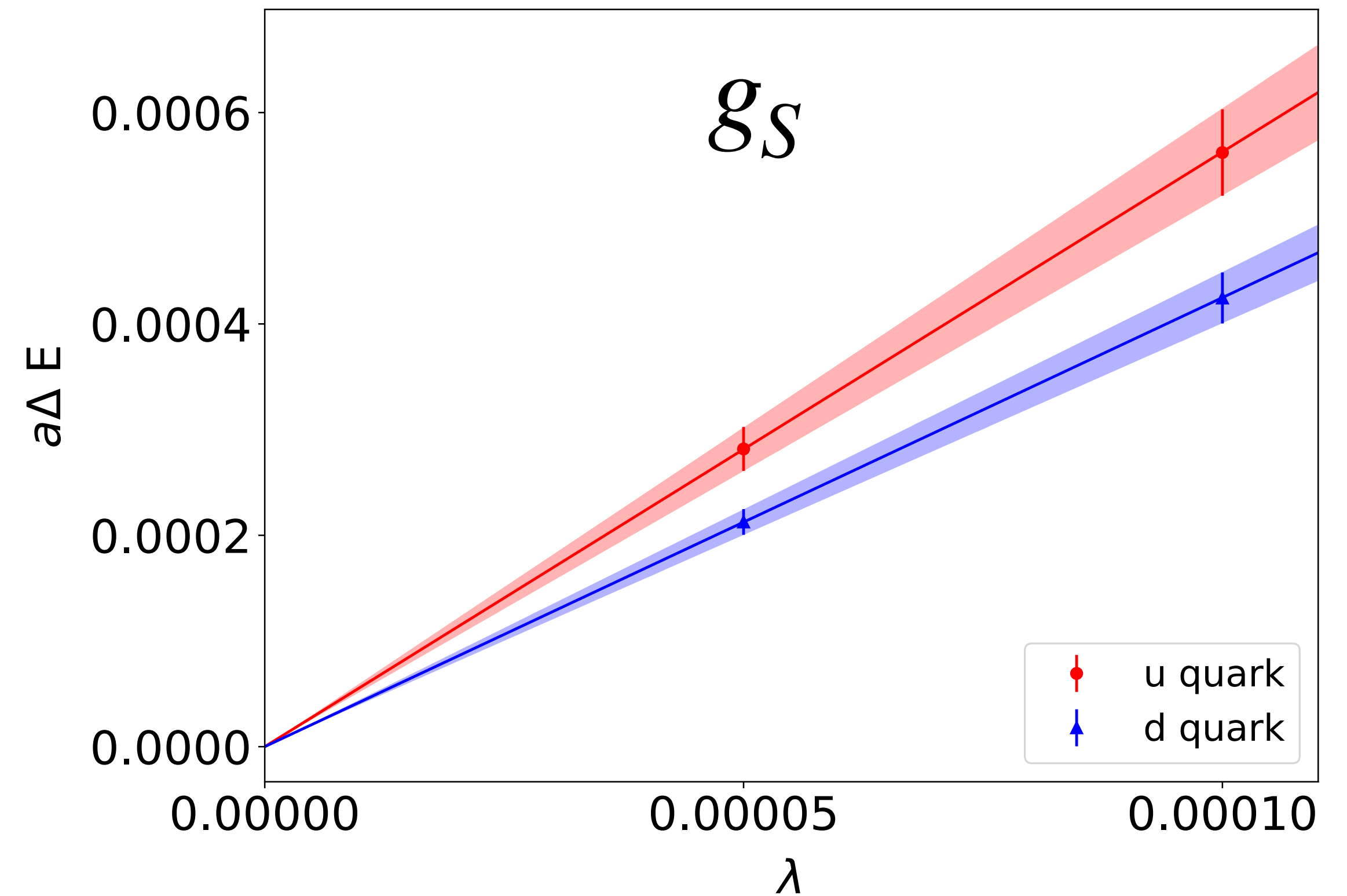
$$m_\pi \approx 265 \text{ MeV}, a = 0.068 \text{ fm}, V = 48^3 \times 96$$



Spin-dependent:

$$\left. \frac{\partial E^\uparrow(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0} = +g_T^q \quad \left. \frac{\partial E^\downarrow(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0} = -g_T^q$$

$$E(\lambda) = E(0) \pm \lambda g_T^q + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$$



Spin-independent:

$$\left. \frac{\partial E(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right|_{\lambda=0} = +g_S^q$$

$$E(\lambda) = E(0) + \lambda g_S^q + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^2)$$

# Global fits

Want result

- in continuum and infinite volume limits
- at physical quark masses

Global fit

- Include  $O(a)$  or  $O(a^2)$  terms in  $X$  (singlet) and slope parameters

$$X_{D,F} = X_{D,F}^* (1 + c_1 \frac{1}{3} [f_L(m_\pi) + 2f_L(m_\pi)]) + c_2 a + c_3 \delta m_l^2 \quad \text{e.g. } \tilde{D}_1 = 1 - 2(\tilde{r}_1 + \tilde{b}_1 a) \delta m_l + \tilde{d}_1 \delta m_l^2$$

- Free parameter to encode leading finite-volume correction on singlet:

$$f_L(m) = \left( \frac{m}{X_\pi} \right)^2 \frac{e^{-mL}}{\sqrt{mL}}$$

*[functional form from chiral EFT,  
see Beane & Savage PRD(2004)]*

- Work to  $O(\delta m_l^2)$  in flavour expansion

$$\delta m_l \rightarrow \delta m_l = \frac{m_\pi^2 - X_\pi^2}{X_\pi^2}$$



# Results - Hyperon charges

*Not in FLAG, but recent results by RQCD [PRD108(2023)]*

*This work*

$$g_T^\Sigma = 0.805(15)$$

$$g_T^\Xi = -0.1952(75)$$

$$g_A^\Sigma = 0.876(28)$$

$$g_A^\Xi = -0.206(21)$$

$$g_S^\Sigma = 2.80(25)$$

$$g_S^\Xi = 1.59(12)$$

*RQCD*

$$g_T^\Sigma = 0.798(26)$$

$$g_T^\Xi = -0.1872(72)$$

$$g_A^\Sigma = 0.875(49)$$

$$g_A^\Xi = -0.267(18)$$

$$g_S^\Sigma = 3.98(33)$$

$$g_S^\Xi = 2.57(16)$$

*some tension*



# Momentum fractions extra

In quenched QCD with heavy quark masses reveals for both  $\pi$  and  $N$   $\langle x \rangle_q \sim 0.5 - 0.6$ ,  $\langle x \rangle_g \sim 0.4 - 0.5$

Currently generating dynamical ensembles with:

- $n_f = 2$  NP Clover fermions with  $m_\pi \sim 600 \text{ MeV}$
- 3 values each of  $\lambda_q$  and  $\lambda_g$
- Z matrix more complicated:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_u^{con} \\ \langle x \rangle_d^{con} \\ \langle x \rangle_u^{dis} \\ \langle x \rangle_d^{dis} \end{pmatrix}^R = \begin{pmatrix} Z_{gg} & Z_{gq} & Z_{gq} & Z_{gq} & Z_{gq} \\ 0 & Z_a - Z_b & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & Z_a - Z_b & 0 & 0 \\ Z_{qg} & Z_b & Z_b & Z_a & Z_b \\ Z_{qg} & Z_b & Z_b & Z_b & Z_a \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \langle x \rangle_g \\ \langle x \rangle_u^{con} \\ \langle x \rangle_d^{con} \\ \langle x \rangle_u^{dis} \\ \langle x \rangle_d^{dis} \end{pmatrix}^{lat}$$

$$Z_{qq}^{NS} = Z_a - Z_b$$

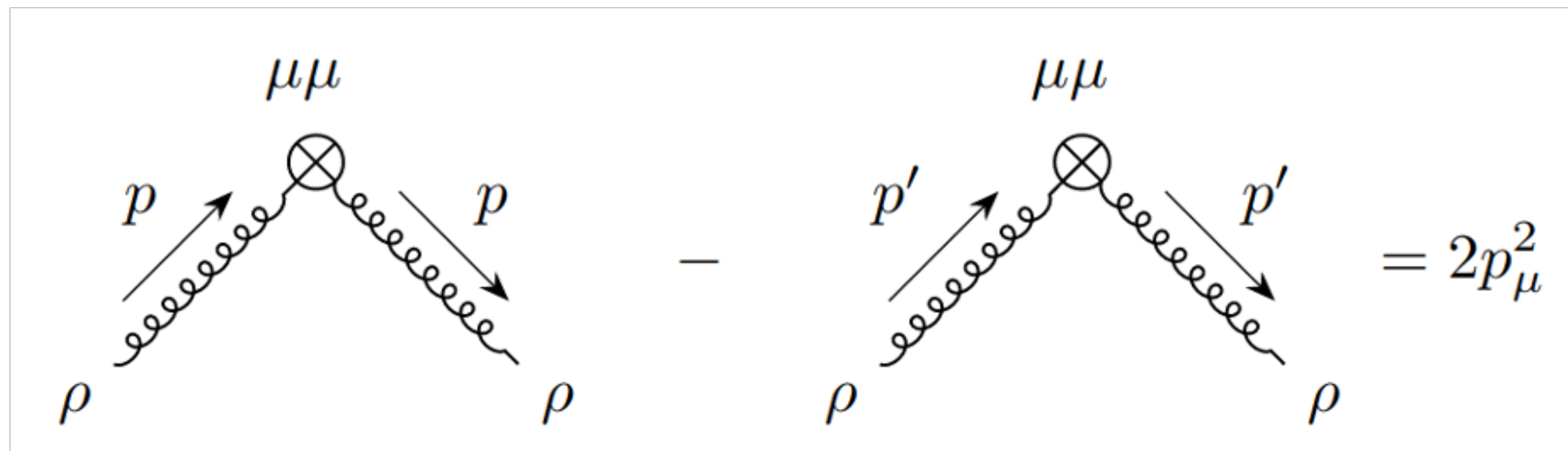
$$Z_{qq}^S = Z_{qq}^{NS} + n_f Z_b$$

# TROUBLE WITH THE GLUE

We can write out the gluon 3-point function from the EMT,

$$\langle A_{\sigma'} | \bar{T}_{\mu\nu}^g | A_{\sigma} \rangle = D_{\sigma'\rho}(p) \times \text{Gauge Dependent Terms, Will Mix}$$
$$\left( 2p_{\mu}p_{\nu}\delta_{\rho\tau} - p_{\mu}p_{\rho}\delta_{\nu\tau} - p_{\tau}p_{\nu}\delta_{\rho\mu} - p_{\rho}p_{\nu}\delta_{\mu\tau} + p^2(\delta_{\rho\nu}\delta_{\nu\tau} + \delta_{\mu\tau}\delta_{\rho\nu}) + \delta_{\mu\nu}(p_{\rho}p_{\tau} - p^2\delta_{\rho\tau}) \right) D_{\tau\sigma}(p)$$

Will want to extract the gauge independent term, vanish all other terms.



The diagram shows two Feynman diagrams for a gluon 3-point function. The left diagram has an incoming gluon with momentum  $p$  and index  $\rho$ , and an outgoing gluon with momentum  $p$  and index  $\rho$ . The internal gluon has momentum  $p$  and index  $\mu$ . The right diagram has an incoming gluon with momentum  $p'$  and index  $\rho$ , and an outgoing gluon with momentum  $p'$  and index  $\rho$ . The internal gluon has momentum  $p'$  and index  $\mu$ . The diagrams are subtracted, and the result is  $= 2p_{\mu}^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \rho &\neq \mu, \\ p_{\mu} &\neq 0, \\ p'_{\mu} &= 0, \\ p'_{\rho} &= p_{\rho}, \\ p^2 &= p'^2 \end{aligned}$$