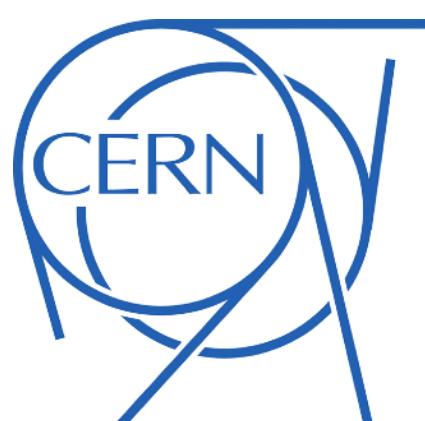


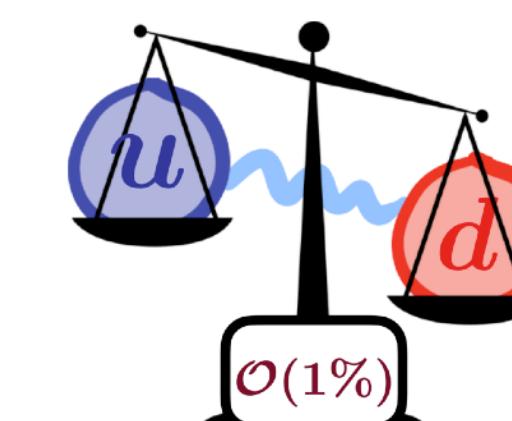
# Isospin-breaking corrections to light-meson leptonic decays

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# Testing the Standard Model with flavour physics

Indirect searches of new physics using CKM matrix unitarity constraints

$$V_{\text{CKM}} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix}$$

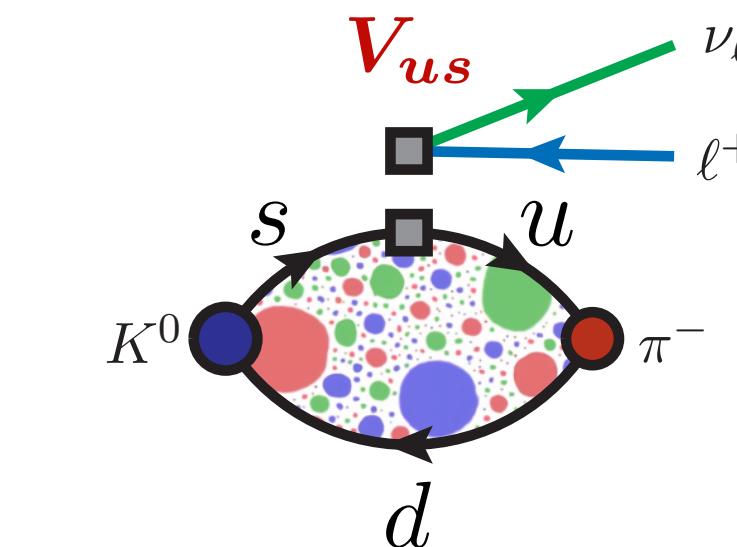
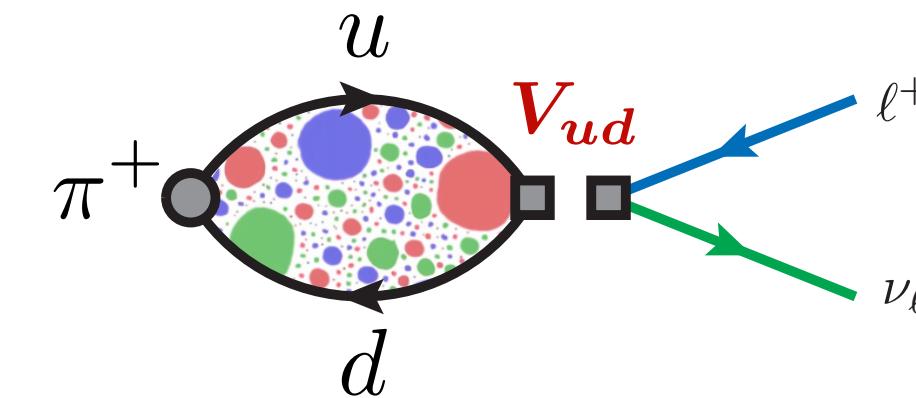
in the Standard Model:

$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1$$

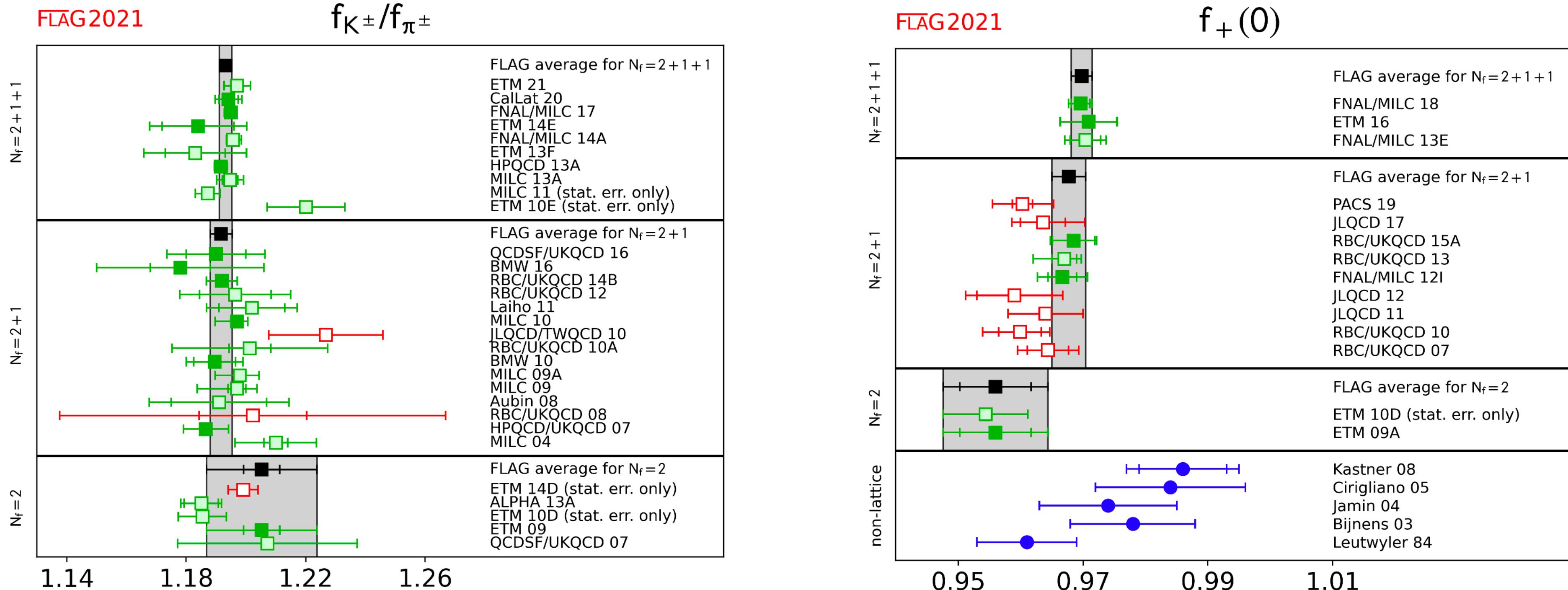
Matrix elements can be extracted e.g. from **leptonic** and **semileptonic** decays of mesons

$$\underbrace{\frac{\Gamma [K \rightarrow \ell \nu_\ell (\gamma)]}{\Gamma [\pi \rightarrow \ell \nu_\ell (\gamma)]}}_{\text{experiments}} \propto \boxed{\left| \frac{V_{us}}{V_{ud}} \right|^2} \underbrace{\left( \frac{f_K}{f_\pi} \right)^2}_{\text{QCD}}$$

$$\underbrace{\Gamma [K \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu_\ell (\gamma)]}_{\text{experiments}} \propto \boxed{|V_{us}|^2} \underbrace{|f_+^{K\pi}(0)|^2}_{\text{QCD}}$$



# Leptonic and semi-leptonic decays from lattice QCD



$$f_{K^\pm}/f_{\pi^\pm} = 1.1934(19)$$

$$f_+^{K\pi}(0) = 0.9698(17)$$



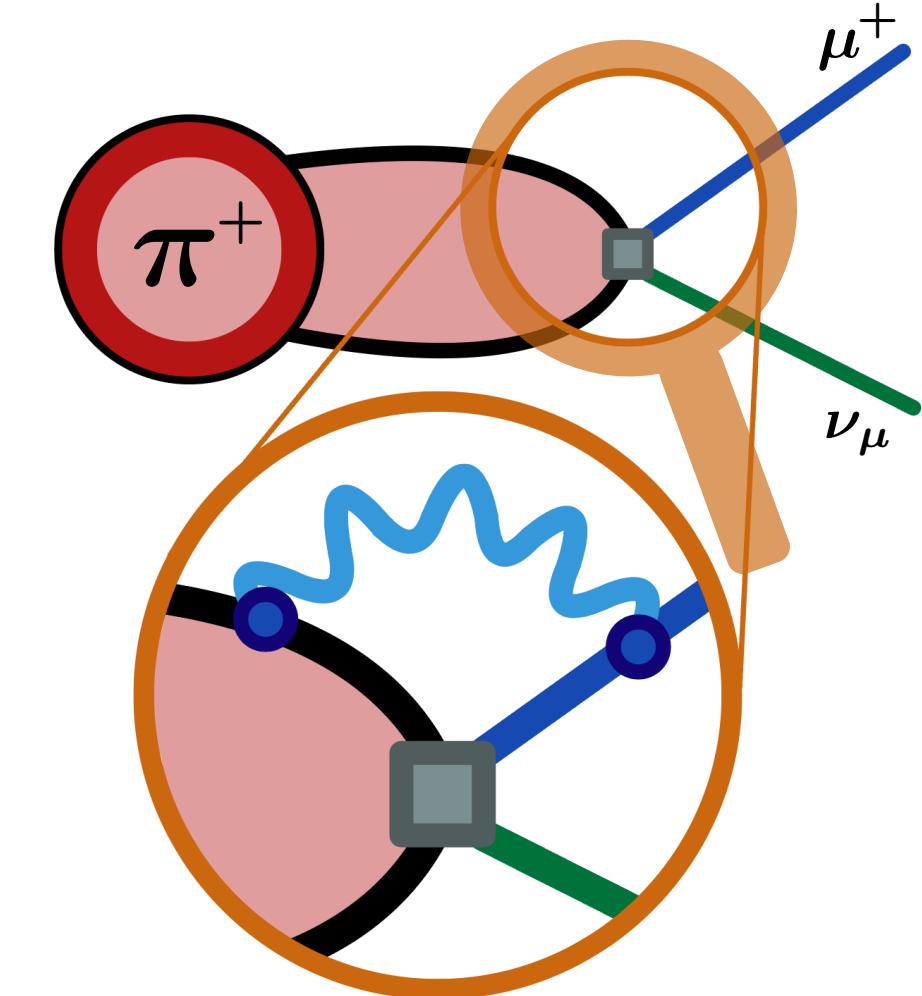
$f_K/f_\pi$  and  $f_+^{K\pi}(0)$  determined from  
lattice QCD with sub percent precision!

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# QED and isospin-breaking effects

Current level of precision requires the inclusion of isospin-breaking corrections due to

- o strong effects  $[m_u - m_d]_{\text{QCD}} \neq 0$
  - o electromagnetic effects  $\alpha \neq 0$
- $\sim \mathcal{O}(1\%)$



$$\frac{\Gamma(K \rightarrow \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell)}{\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell)} \propto \frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} \left( \frac{f_K}{f_\pi} \right)^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi}) \quad \Gamma(K \rightarrow \pi \ell \bar{\nu}_\ell) \propto |V_{us}|^2 |f_+^{K\pi}(0)|^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi}^\ell)$$

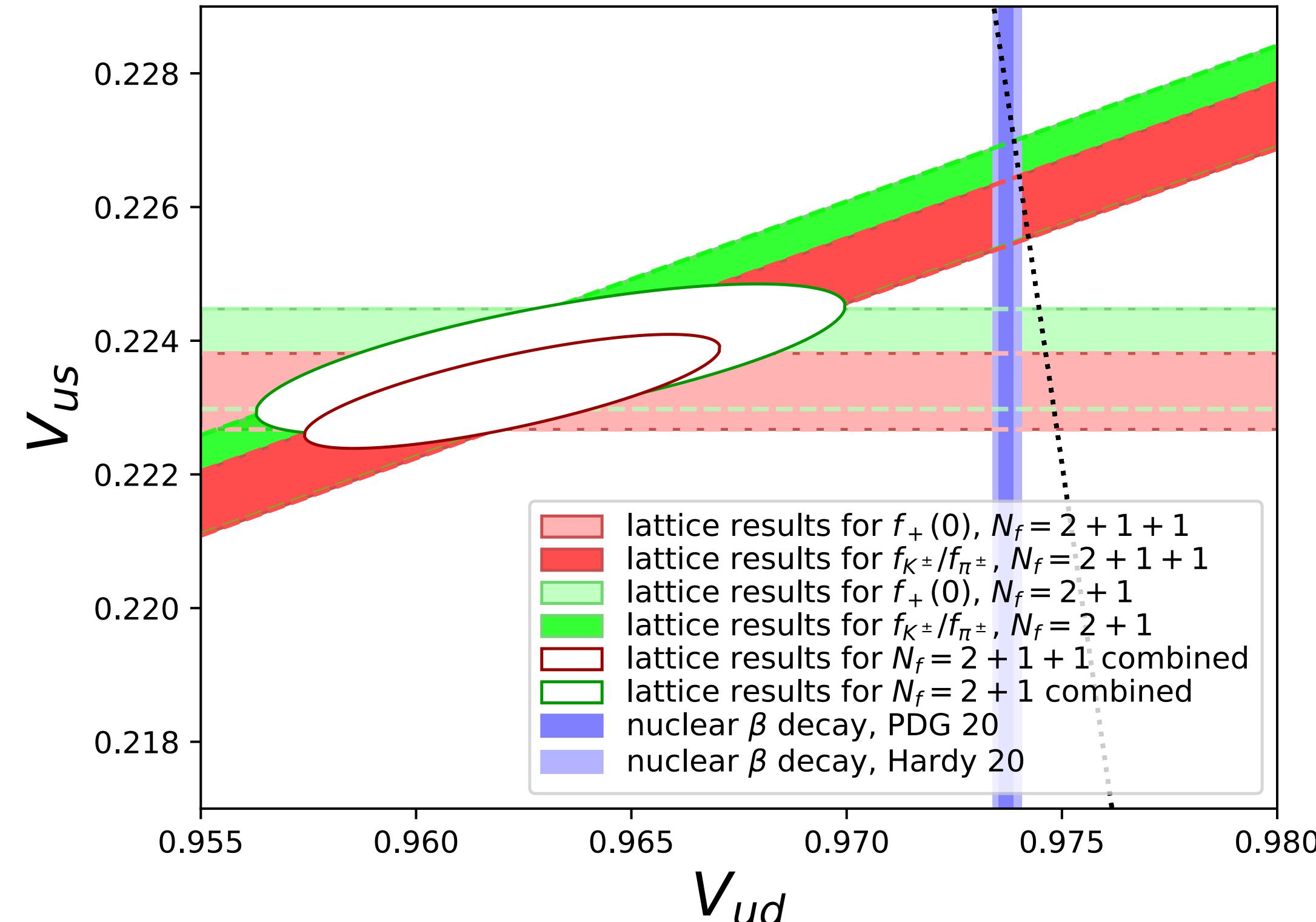
- ▶ results from  $\chi$ PT currently quoted in the PDG
- ▶ fully non-perturbative (i.e. structure dependent)
- ▶ can be obtained through first-principle lattice calculations

V.Cirigliano & H.Neufeld, PLB 700 (2011)

# First-row CKM unitarity tests

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Different tensions in the  $V_{us}$ - $V_{ud}$  plane:

$$|V_u|^2 - 1 = 2.8\sigma$$

$$|V_u|^2 - 1 = 5.6\sigma$$

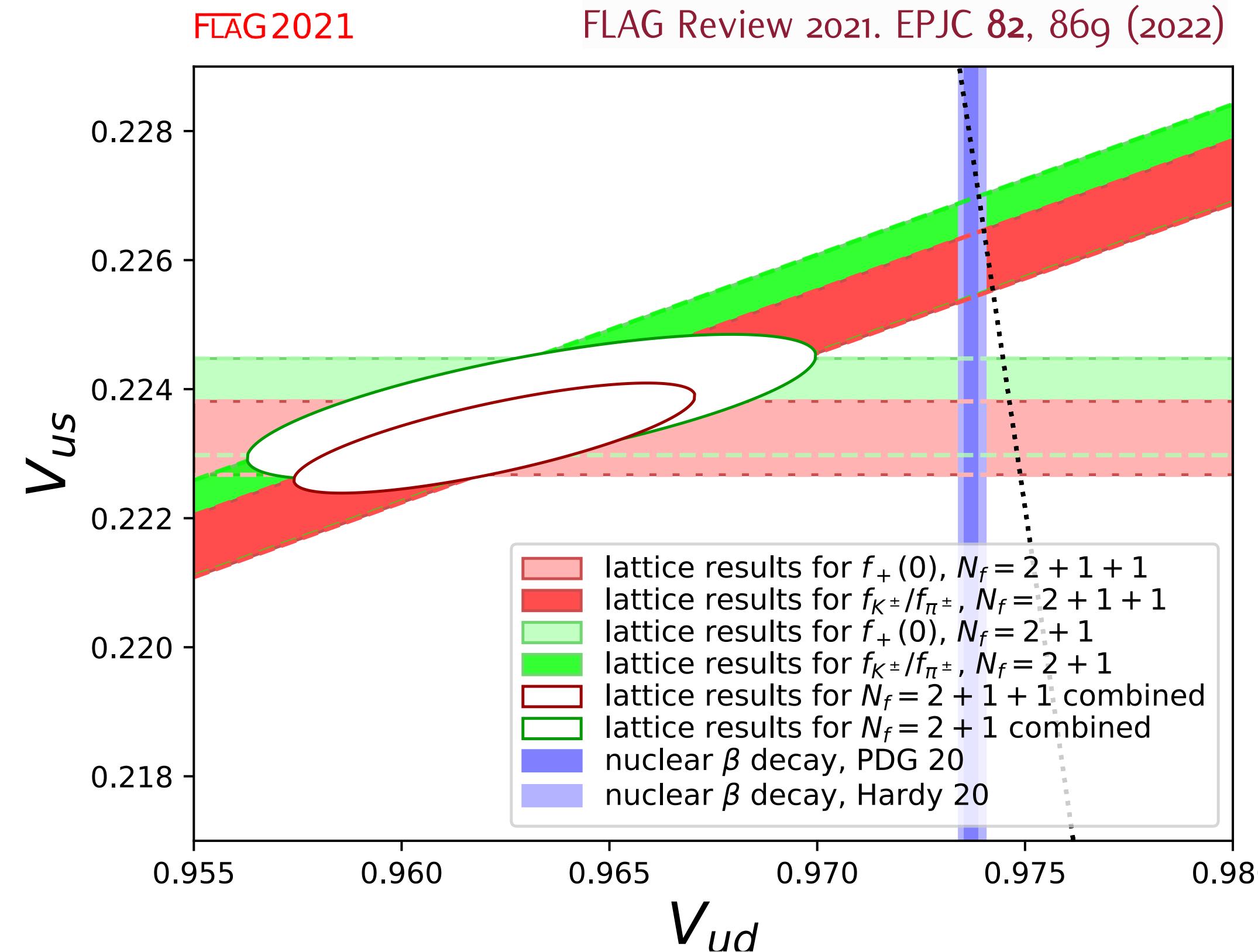
$$|V_u|^2 - 1 = 3.3\sigma$$

$$|V_u|^2 - 1 = 3.1\sigma$$

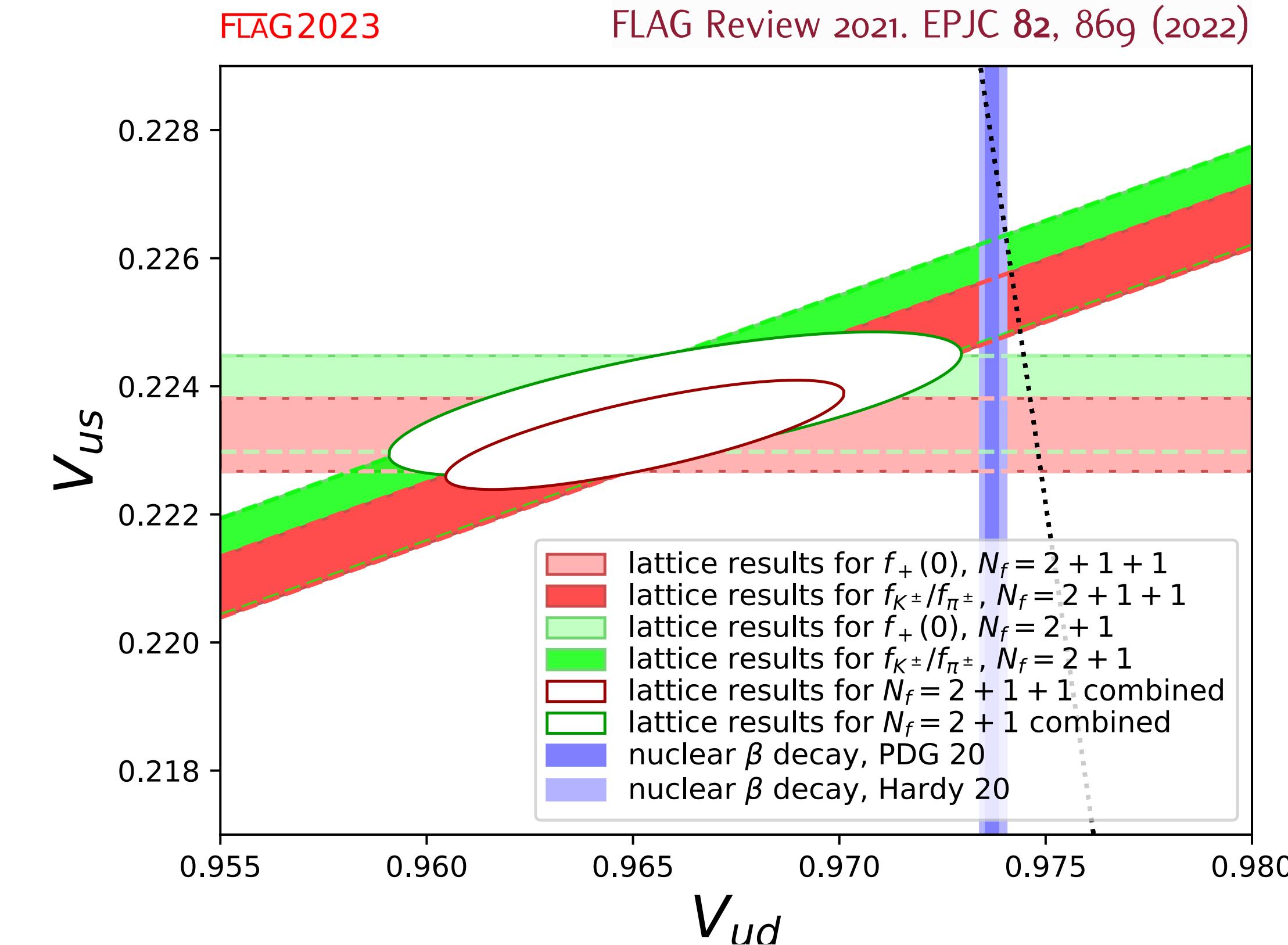
$$|V_u|^2 - 1 = 1.7\sigma$$

Experimental and theoretical control of these quantities  
is of crucial importance to solve the issue

# First-row CKM unitarity tests



with QED corrections  
from lattice calculation



without QED corrections  
from the lattice

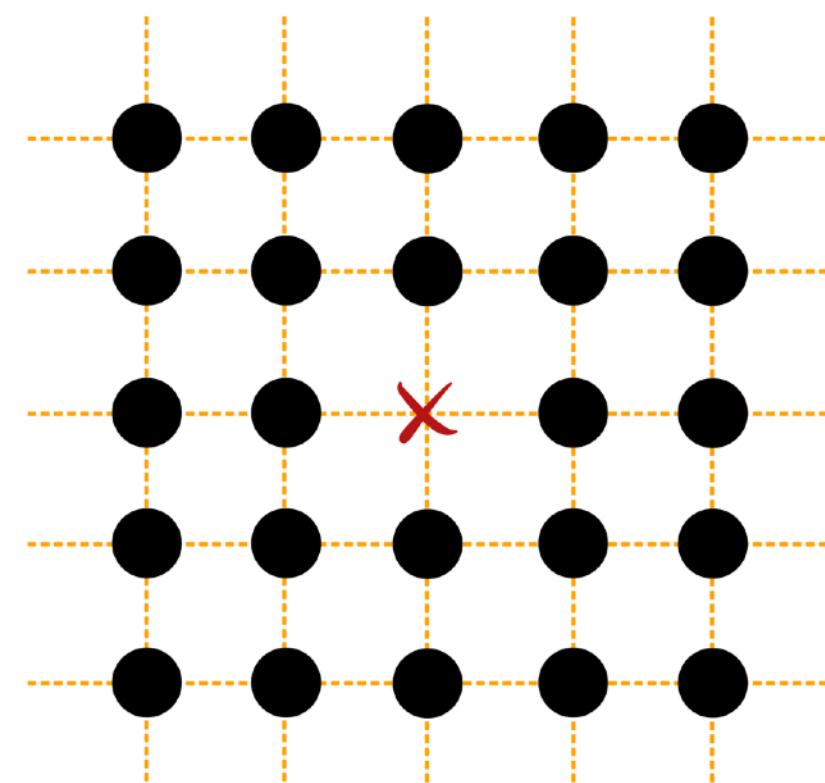
# Charged states in a finite box

**Gauss law:** only zero net charge is allowed in a finite volume with periodic boundary conditions

$$Q = \int_{\text{p.b.c.}} d^3x j_0(t, \mathbf{x}) = \int_{\text{p.b.c.}} d^3x \nabla \cdot \mathbf{E}(t, \mathbf{x}) = 0$$

Possible solutions:

**QED<sub>L</sub>**

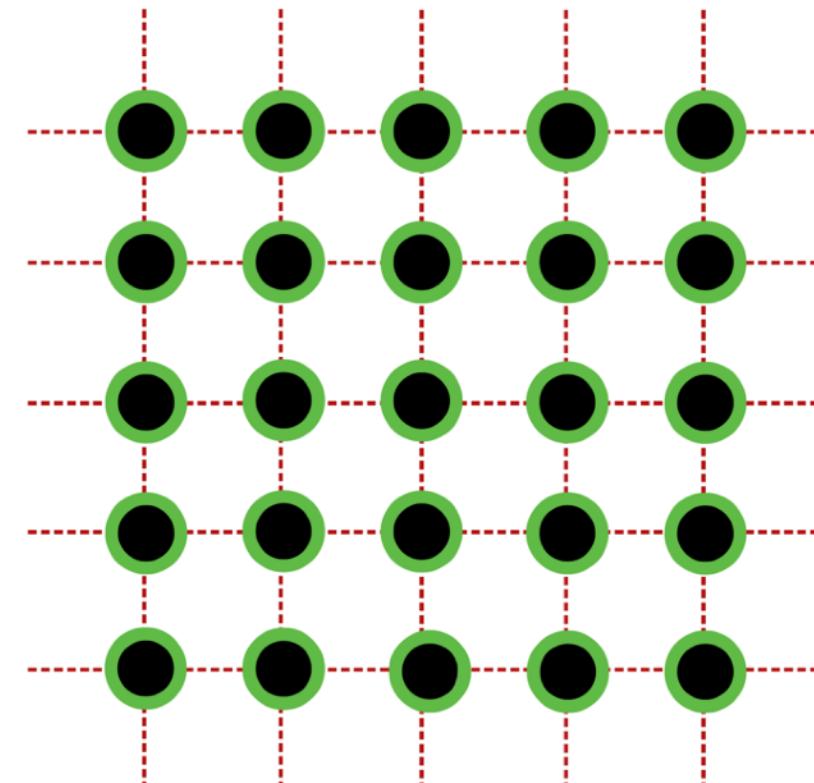


$$\Omega_3 = 2\pi\mathbb{Z}^3/L$$

remove spatial zero-mode  
of the photon field

M.Hayakawa & S.Uno, PTP 120 (2008)

**QED<sub>m</sub>**

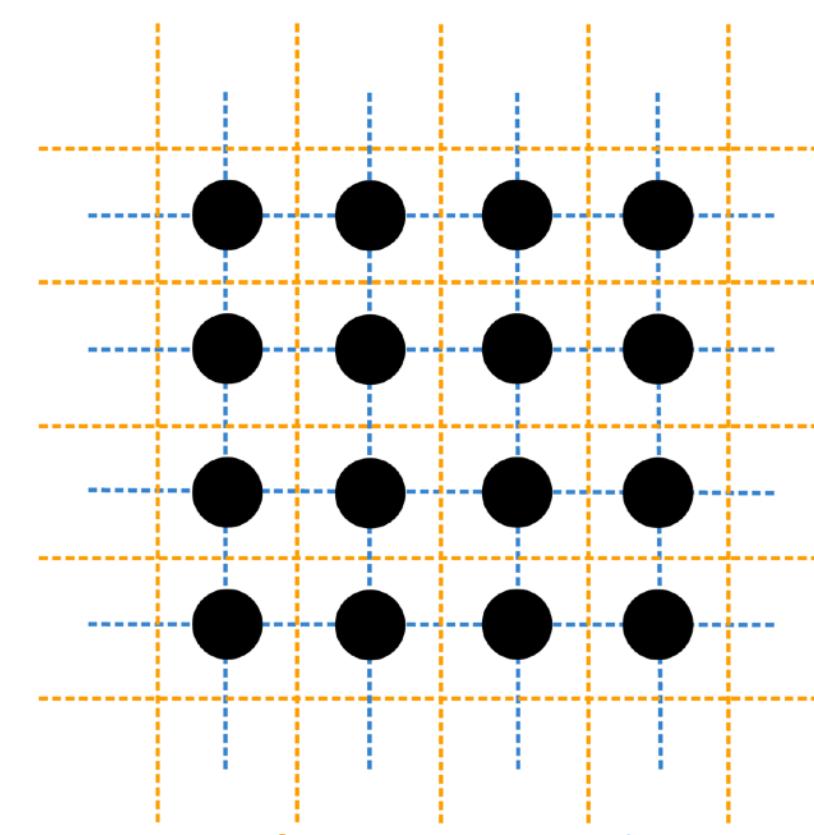


$$\Omega_4 = 2\pi\{\mathbb{Z}^3/L, \mathbb{Z}/T\}$$

use massive photon  $m_\gamma$

M.G.Endres et al., [1507.08916]

**QED<sub>C\*</sub>**

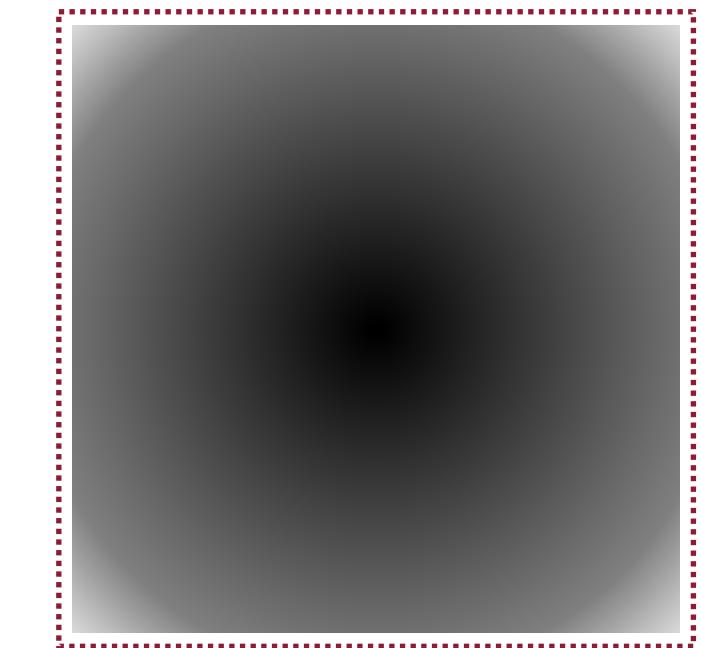


$$\Omega_3 = 2\pi\mathbb{Z}^3/L \quad \Omega'_3 = (2\mathbb{Z}^3 + \bar{n})\pi/L$$

employ C\* boundary  
conditions

A.S.Kronfeld & U.-J.Wiese, NPB 357 (1991)  
B.Lucini et al., JHEP 02 (2016)

**QED<sub>∞</sub>**



$$\Omega_4 = \mathbb{R}^4$$

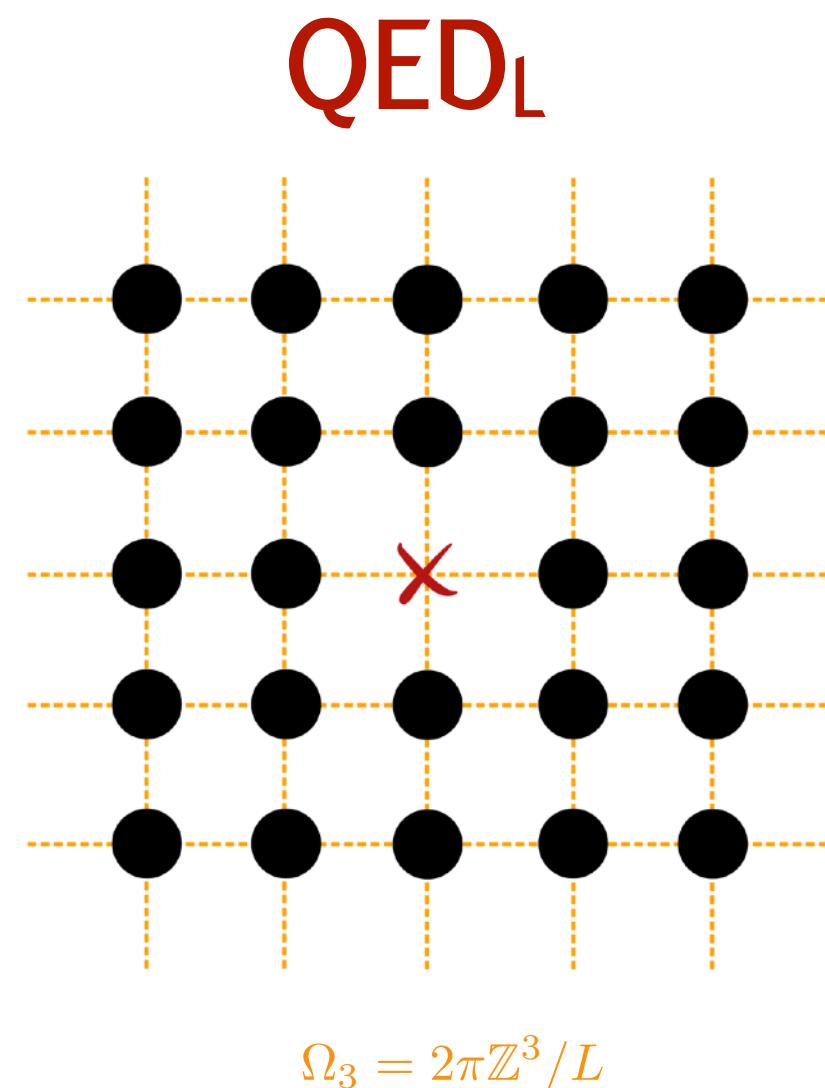
infinite-volume  
reconstruction

X.Feng & L.Jin, PRD 100 (2019)  
N.Christ et al., [2304.08026]

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- Spatial zero-mode of the photon field is removed at each  $k_0$

$$\int d^3x A_\mu(t, \mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \Delta_{\mu\nu}^\gamma(x) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{k_0} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0} \Delta_{\mu\nu}^\gamma(k) e^{ik \cdot x}$$

- Long-distance interaction translates into power law finite-size effects

$$\mathcal{O}(L) = \mathcal{O}(\infty) + \frac{\kappa_1}{L} + \frac{\kappa_2}{L^2} + \frac{\kappa_3}{L^3} + \dots \quad \kappa_3 \propto c_0 = \left( \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq 0} - \int d^3n \right) = -1$$

S.Borsanyi et al., Science 347 (2015)

Z.Davoudi & M.Savage, PRD 90 (2014)

V.Lubicz et al., PRD 95 (2017)

N.Tantalo et al., [1612.00199]

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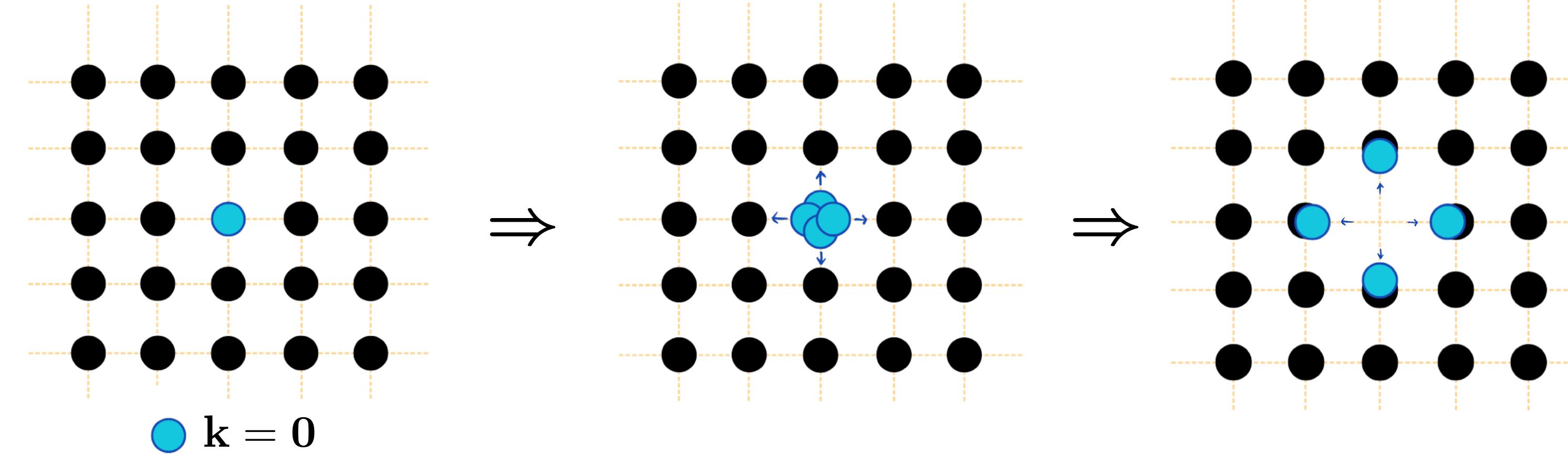
MDC et al., PRD 105 (2022)

# QED<sub>r</sub> regularization

Special case of "IR-improvement"

Z.Davoudi et al., PRD 99 (2019)

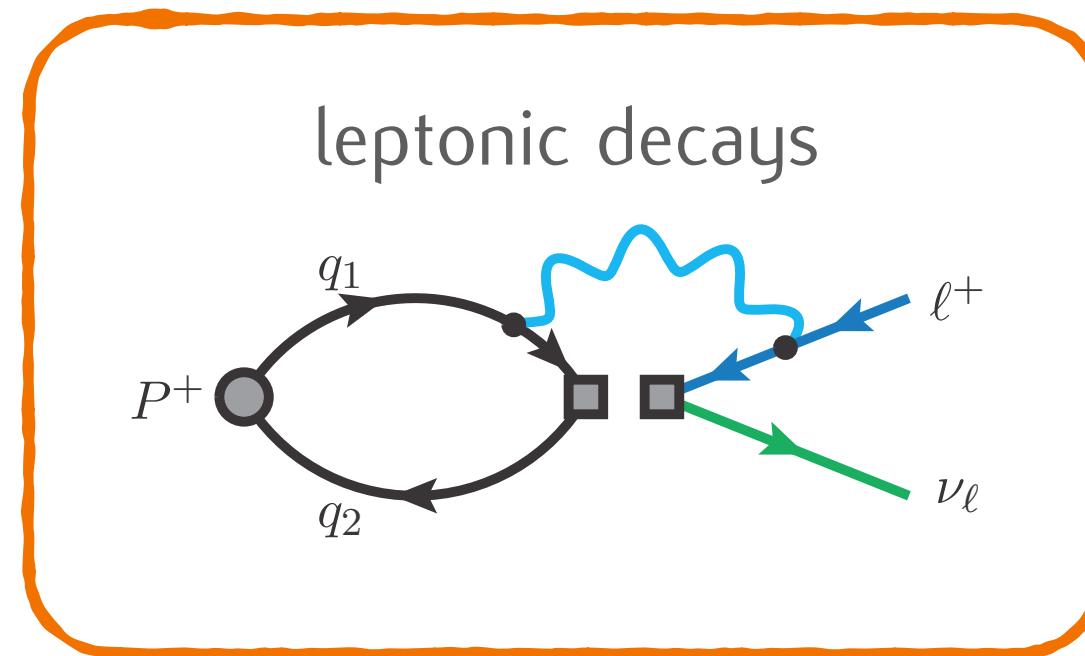
MDC, PoS LATTICE2023 (2024) [2401.07666]



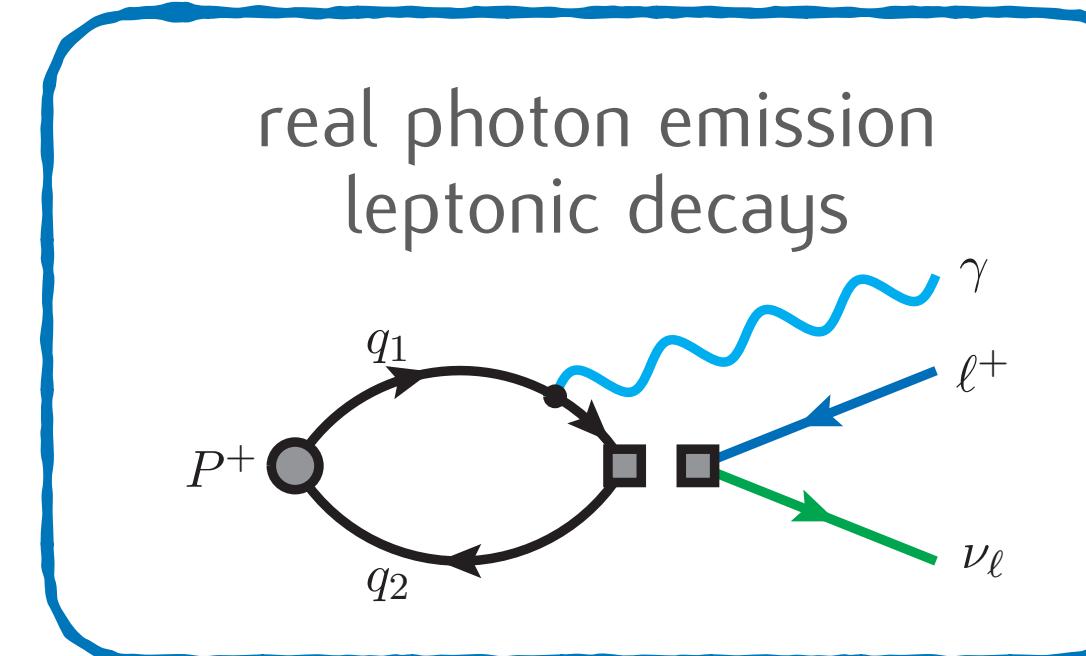
The spatial zero mode is not removed but **redistributed over the neighbouring modes** on a shell of radius  $|{\mathbf{p}}| = \frac{2\pi}{L} |{\mathbf{r}}| \quad ({\mathbf{r}} \in \mathbb{Z}^3)$

$$\text{QED}_L: \quad D_L^{\mu\nu}(k_0, {\mathbf{k}}) = \delta^{\mu\nu} \frac{1 - \delta_{{\mathbf{k}},0}}{k_0^2 + {\mathbf{k}}^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{QED}_r: \quad D_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mu\nu}(k_0, {\mathbf{k}}) = \delta^{\mu\nu} \frac{1 - \delta_{{\mathbf{k}},0}}{k_0^2 + {\mathbf{k}}^2} + \frac{\delta_{{\mathbf{k}}^2, {\mathbf{p}}^2}}{n({\mathbf{p}}^2)} \frac{\delta^{\mu\nu}}{k_0^2 + {\mathbf{p}}^2}$$

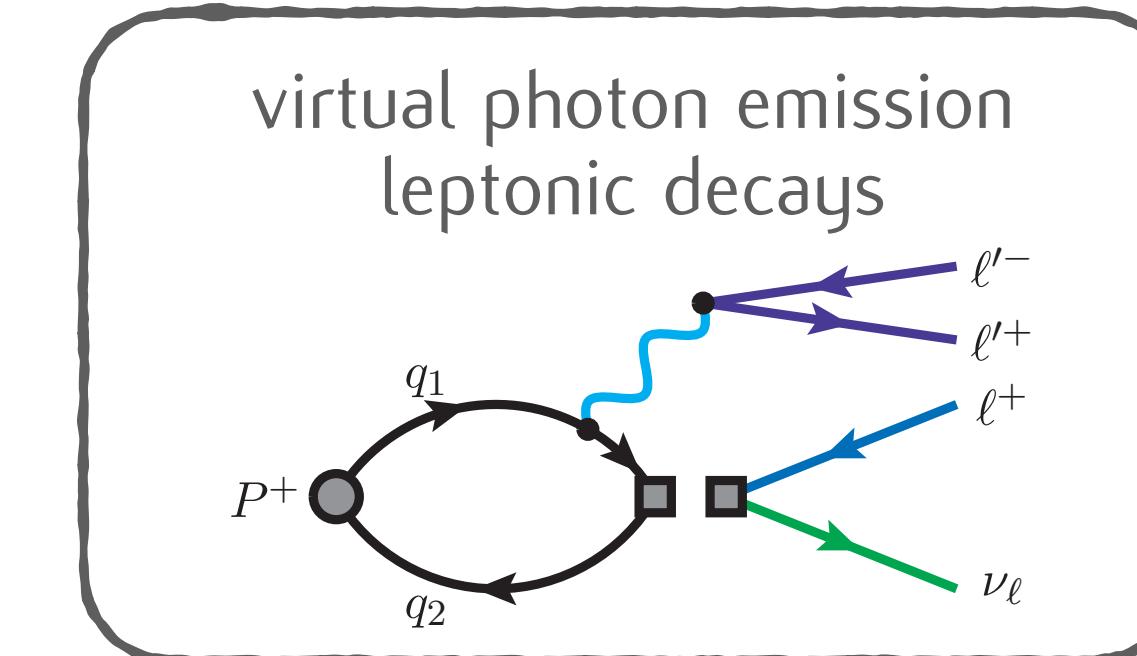
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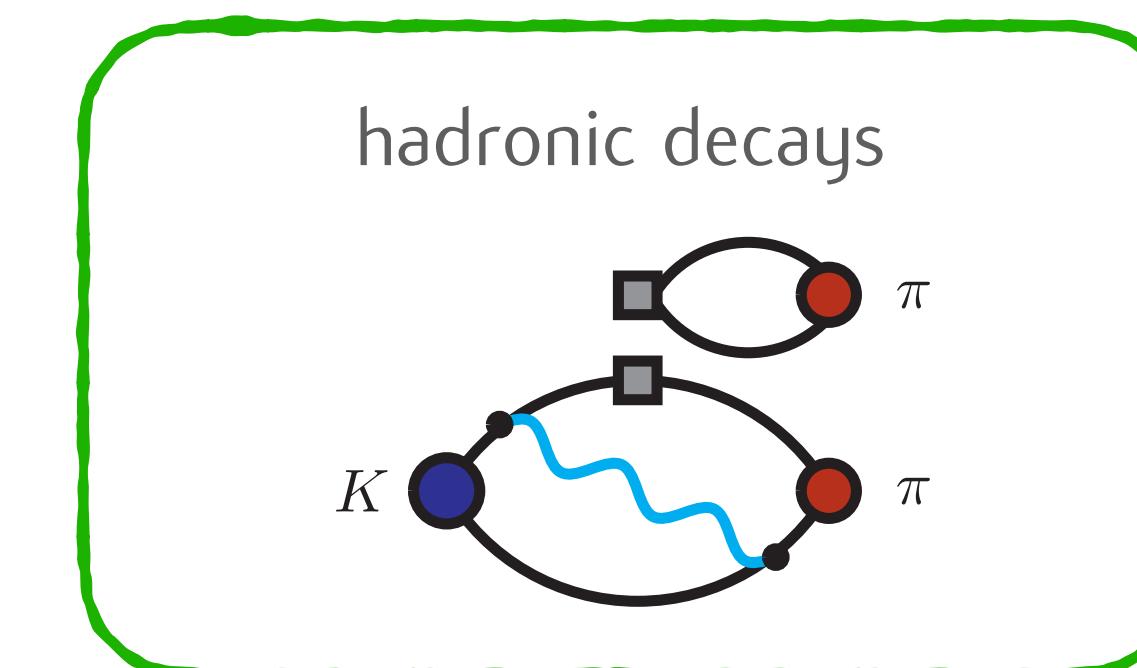
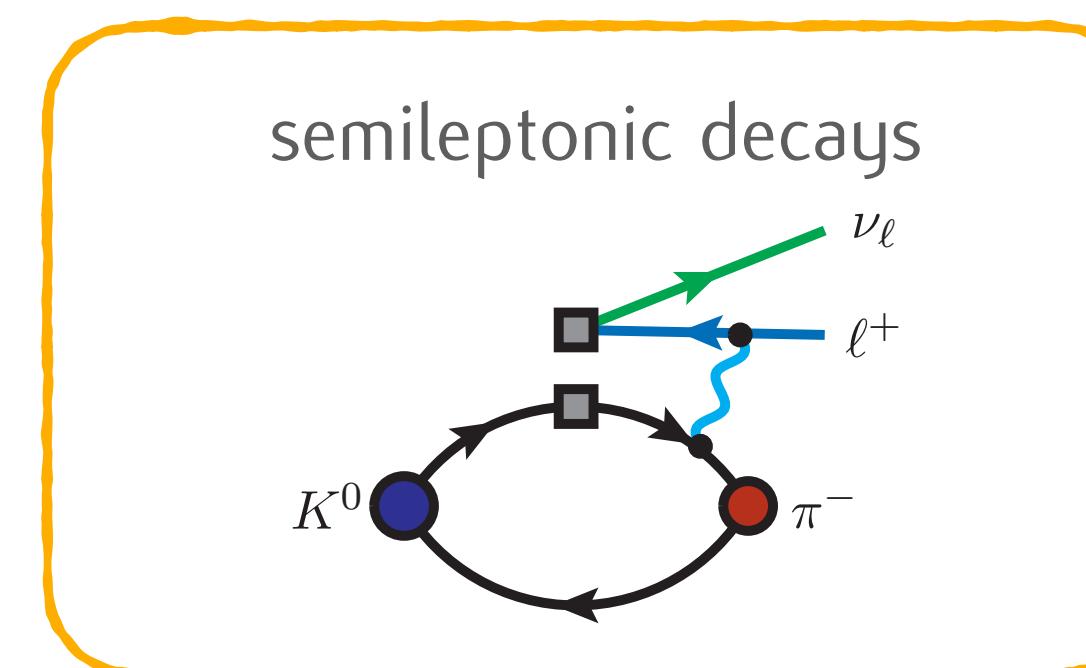
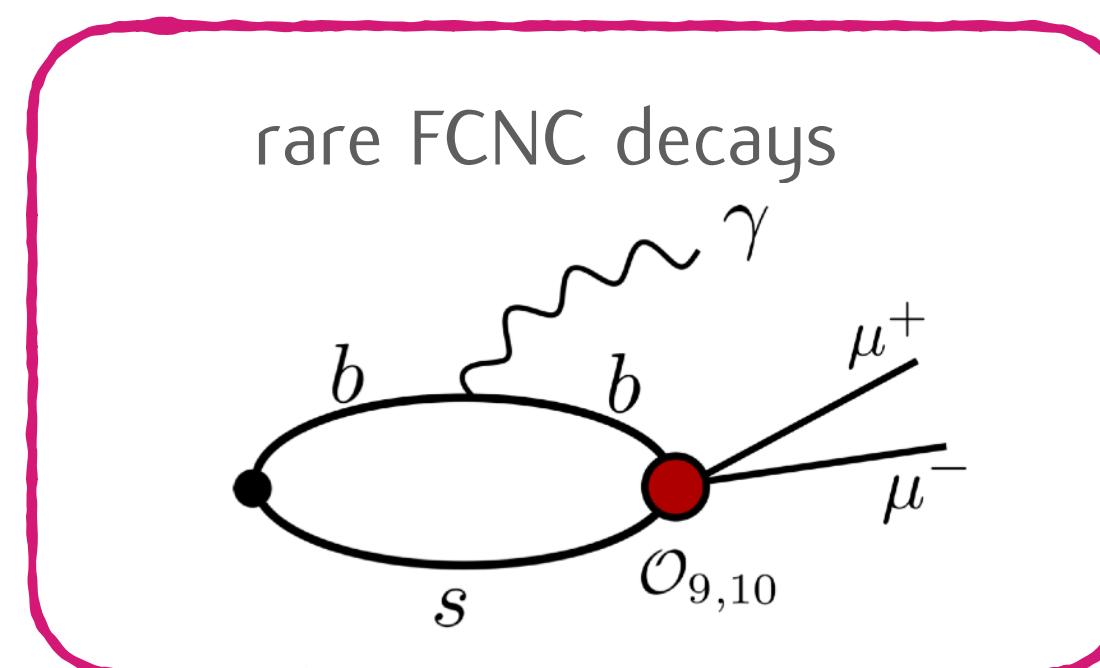
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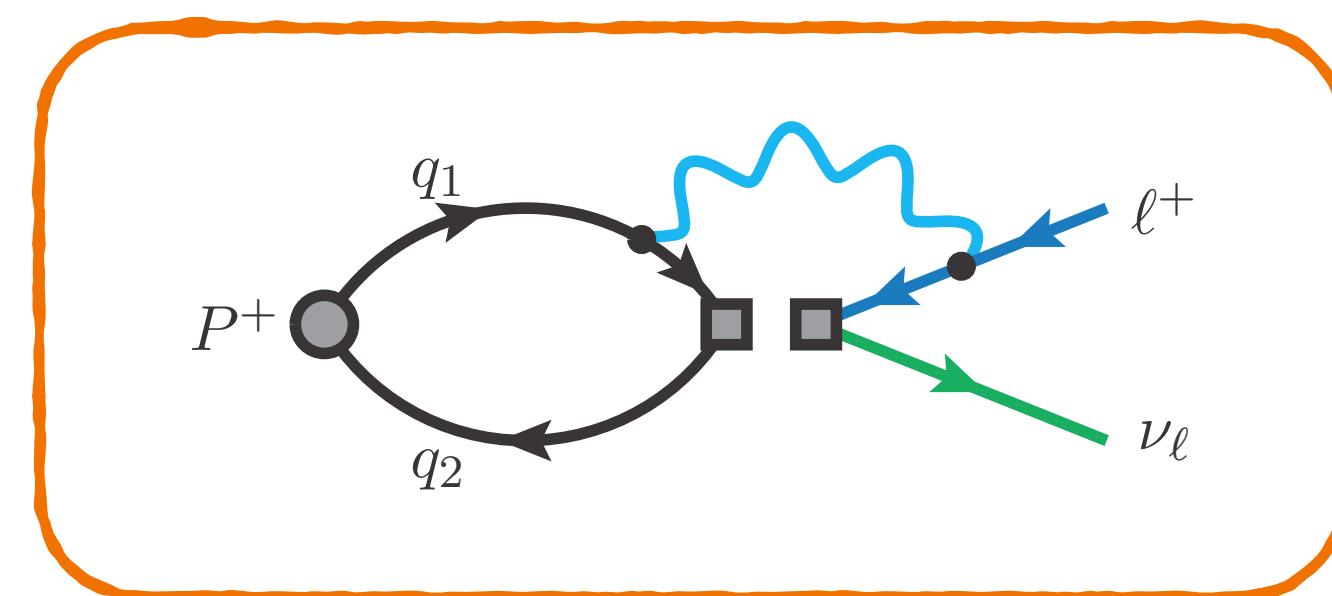
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- G.Gagliardi et al., Phys. Rev. D 105 (2022)  
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# leptonic decays of light pseudoscalar mesons



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# Leptonic decays of pseudoscalar mesons

Can be studied in an **effective Fermi theory** with the W-boson integrated out and the local interaction described by

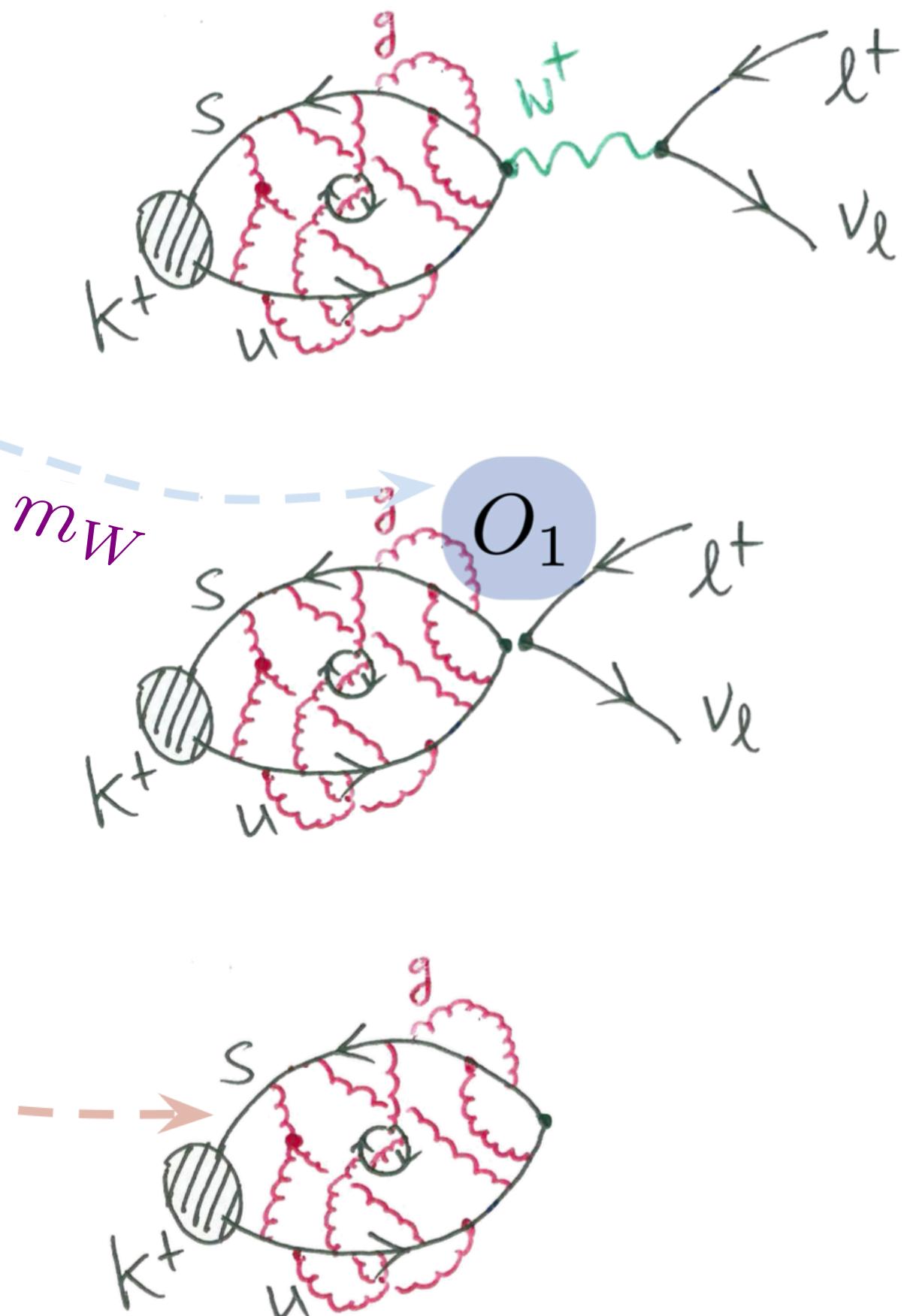
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{q_1 q_2}^* [\bar{q}_2 \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q_1] [\bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \ell]$$

In the **PDG convention**, the tree-level decay rate takes the form

$$\Gamma_P^{\text{tree}} = \frac{G_F^2}{8\pi} m_\ell^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_P^2}\right)^2 m_P [f_{P,0}]^2$$

with the non-perturbative dynamic encoded in the **decay constant**

$$\mathcal{Z}_0 \langle 0 | \bar{q}_2 \gamma_0 \gamma_5 q_1 | P, \mathbf{0} \rangle^{(0)} = i m_{P,0} f_{P,0}$$



# Leptonic decay rate at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$

- The decay constant  $f_{P,0}$  becomes an ambiguous and unphysical quantity
- IR divergences appear in intermediate steps of the calculation

F. Bloch & A. Nordsieck, PR 52 (1937) 54

$$\Gamma(P_{\ell 2}) = \lim_{\Lambda_{\text{IR}} \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{IR finite} \\ \text{IR divergent} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{IR divergent} \\ \text{IR divergent} \end{array} \right\}$$

- UV divergences: need to include QED corrections to the renormalization of the weak Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{q_1 q_2}^* \left( 1 + \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{\pi} \ln \left( \frac{M_Z}{M_W} \right) \right) [ \bar{q}_2 \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q_1 ] [ \bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \ell ]$$

A.Sirlin, NPB 196 (1982)

E.Braaten & C.S.Li, PRD 42 (1990)

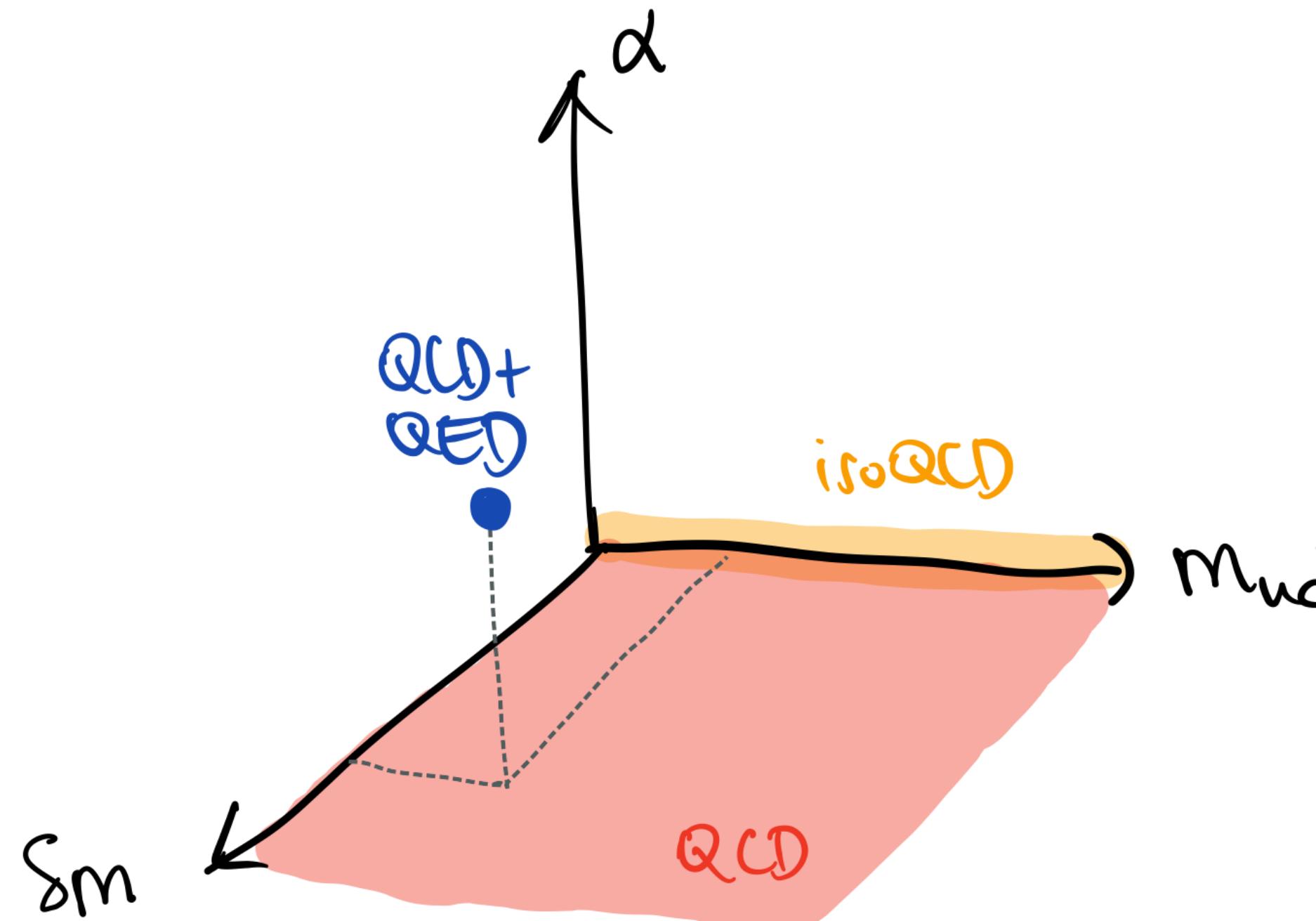
$$O_1^{\text{W-reg}}(M_W) = Z^{\text{W-S}} \left( \frac{M_W}{\mu}, \alpha_s(\mu), \alpha_{\text{em}} \right) O_1^S(\mu)$$

- perturbative @ 2 loops in QCD+QED
- non-perturbative in lattice QCD+QED

MDC et al., PRD 100 (2019)

# Leptonic decay rate at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$

## Defining the isospin symmetric world



- The full QCD+QED theory is unambiguously defined after matching a set of observables to the real world

$$\left[ \frac{\hat{M}_j}{\hat{\Lambda}} \right]^2(g, e^\phi, \hat{m}^\phi) = \left( \frac{M_j^\phi}{\Lambda^\phi} \right)^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \hat{m}^\phi(g)$$

$$j = 1, \dots, N_f$$

- The definition of QCD or isoQCD requires a prescription, i.e. some renormalization conditions to fix the bare parameters of the action

$$\sigma^{QCD} = (g^{QCD}, 0, \hat{m}^{QCD}) \quad \hat{m}^{QCD} = (\hat{m}_{ud}^{QCD}, \delta\hat{m}^{QCD}, \hat{m}_s^{QCD}, \dots)$$

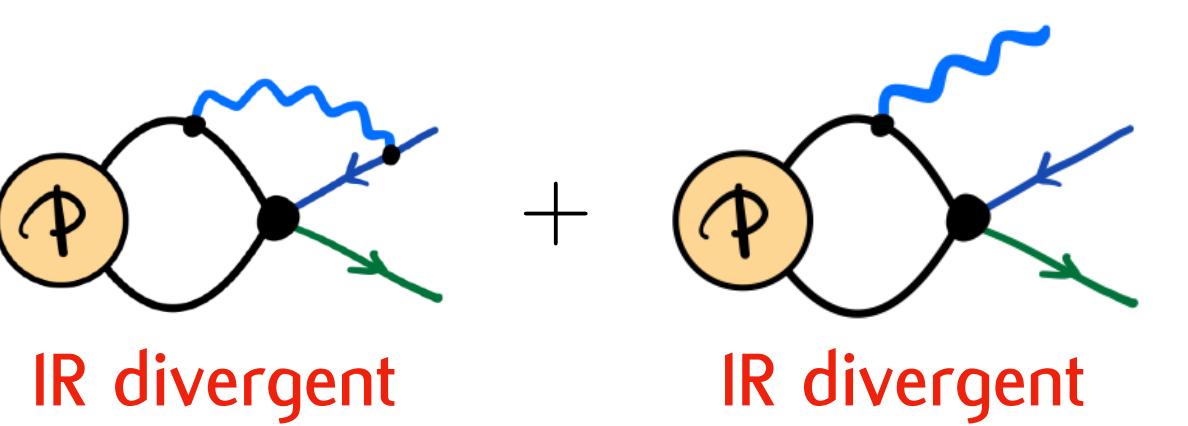
$$\sigma^{(0)} = (g^{(0)}, 0, \hat{m}^{(0)}) \quad \hat{m}^{(0)} = (\hat{m}_{ud}^{(0)}, 0, \hat{m}_s^{(0)}, \dots)$$

BMW hadronic scheme in **RBC-UKQCD (2022)** compatible with GRS quark mass scheme in **RM123S (2019)**

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**in perturbation theory**

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enough for  $K_{\mu_2}$  and  $\pi_{\mu_2}$

leading finite-volume scaling well studied

V.Lubicz et al., PRD 95 (2017) N.Tantalo et al., [1612.00199v2  
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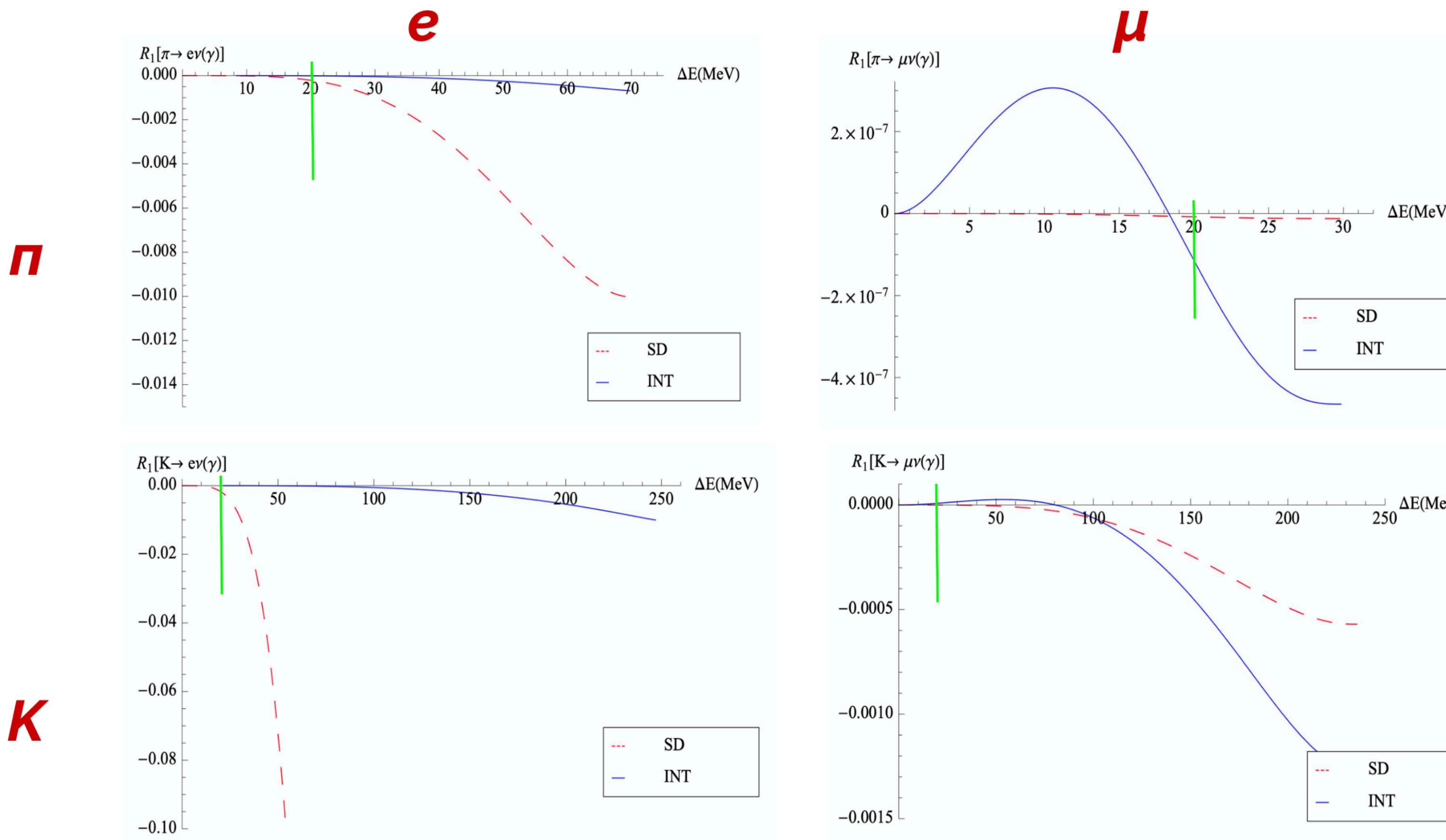
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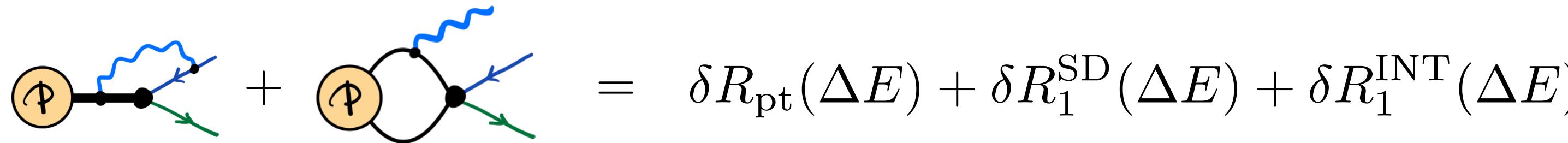
$$\text{Diagram showing the decomposition of real photon emission into structure-dependent (SD) and interaction-dependent (INT) parts.}$$

$\Phi \rightarrow e\bar{\nu} + \gamma = \left[ \Phi \rightarrow e\bar{\nu} + \gamma + \Phi \rightarrow e\bar{\nu} + \gamma \right] \left( 1 + R_1^{\text{SD}}(\Delta E) + R_1^{\text{INT}}(\Delta E) \right)$



Calculation at  $O(p^4)$  in  $\chi$ PT  
N. Carrasco et al., PRD 91 (2015)

# Real photon emission and structure dependence



$$\delta R_{\text{pt}}(\Delta E) + \delta R_1^{\text{SD}}(\Delta E) + \delta R_1^{\text{INT}}(\Delta E)$$

	$\pi_{e2[\gamma]}$	$\pi_{\mu2[\gamma]}$	$K_{e2[\gamma]}$	$K_{\mu2[\gamma]}$
$\delta R_0$	(*)	0.0411 (19)	(*)	0.0341 (10)
$\delta R_{\text{pt}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}})$	-0.0651	-0.0258	-0.0695	-0.0317
$\delta R_1^{\text{SD}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}})$	$5.4 (1.0) \times 10^{-4}$	$2.6 (5) \times 10^{-10}$	1.19 (14)	$2.2 (3) \times 10^{-5}$
$\delta R_1^{\text{INT}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}})$	$-4.1 (1.0) \times 10^{-5}$	$-1.3 (1.5) \times 10^{-8}$	$-9.2 (1.3) \times 10^{-4}$	$-6.1 (1.1) \times 10^{-5}$
$\Delta E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}}$ (MeV)	69.8	29.8	246.8	235.5

Confirmed by numerical lattice calculation

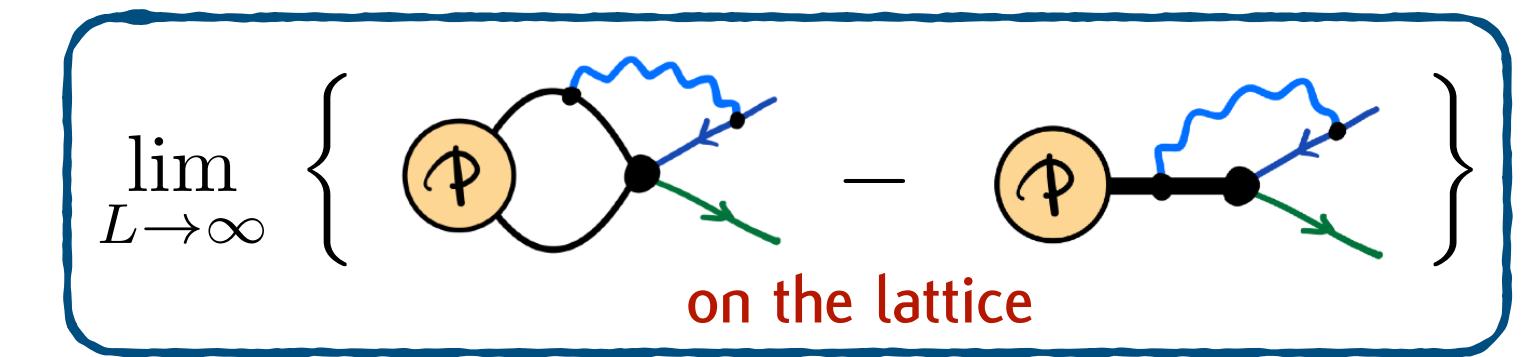
A. Desiderio et al., PRD 102 (2021)

R. Frezzotti et al., PRD 103 (2021)

(\*) Not yet evaluated by numerical lattice QCD+QED simulations.

# Leptonic decay rate at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$

Virtual decay rate



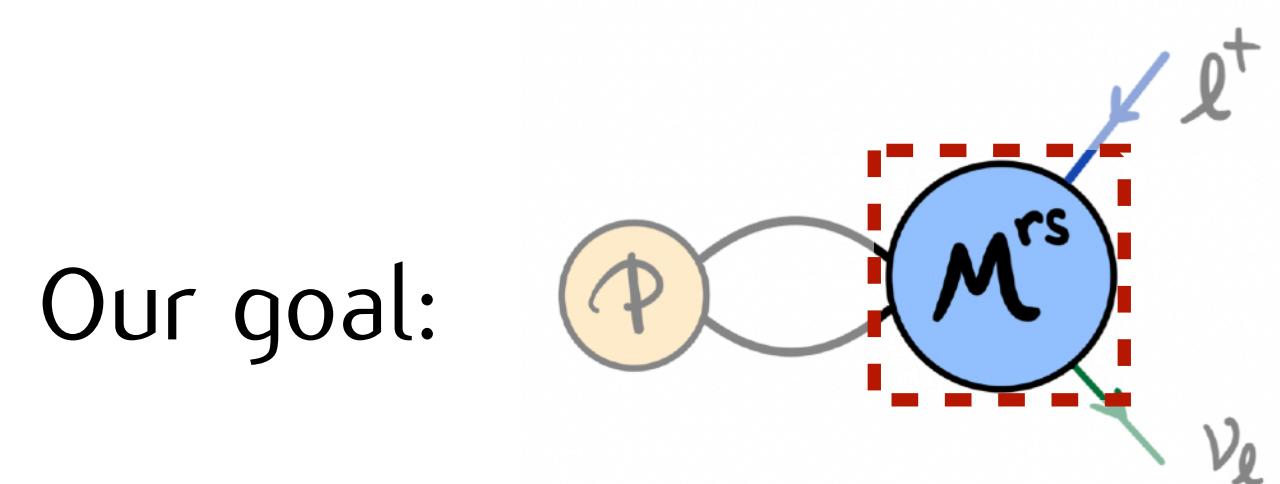
$$\Gamma(P_{\ell 2}) = \Gamma_P^{\text{tree}} (1 + \delta R_P) \quad \blacktriangleright \quad \Gamma_P^{\text{tree}} = \frac{G_F^2}{8\pi} m_\ell^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_P^2}\right)^2 m_P [f_{P,0}]^2 \quad \blacktriangleright \quad \delta R_P = 2 \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{A}_P}{\mathcal{A}_{P,0}} - \frac{\delta m_P}{m_{P,0}} + \frac{\delta \mathcal{Z}}{\mathcal{Z}_0} \right)$$

PDG convention

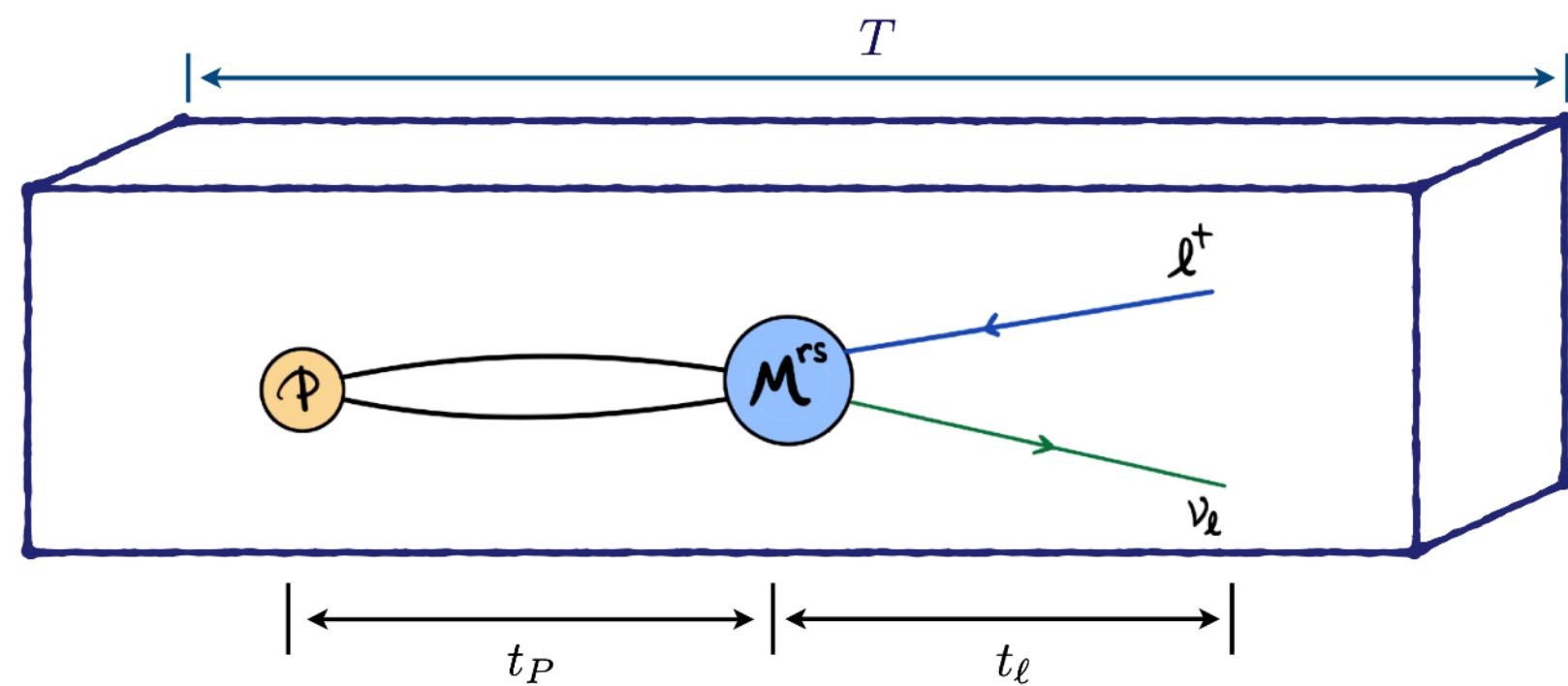
- $\delta \mathcal{A}_P$  from the correction to the (bare) matrix element  $\mathcal{M}_P^{rs}(\mathbf{p}_\ell) = \langle \ell^+, r, \mathbf{p}_\ell; \nu_\ell, s, \mathbf{p}_\nu | O_W | P^+, \mathbf{0} \rangle$
  - $\delta m_P$  correction to the meson mass
  - $\delta \mathcal{Z}$  correction to the renormalization of the weak operator  $O_W$
- MDC et al., PRD 100 (2019)

$$\frac{\Gamma(K_{\ell 2})}{\Gamma(\pi_{\ell 2})} \rightarrow \delta R_{K\pi} = 2 \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{A}_K}{\mathcal{A}_{K,0}} - \frac{\delta m_K}{m_{K,0}} \right) - 2 \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{A}_\pi}{\mathcal{A}_{\pi,0}} - \frac{\delta m_\pi}{m_{\pi,0}} \right)$$

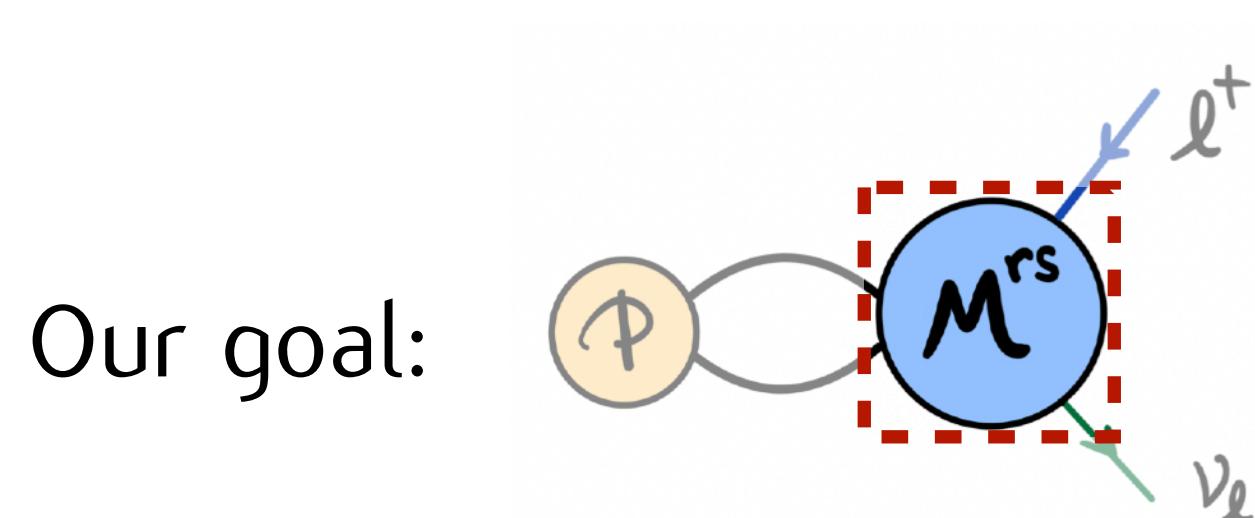
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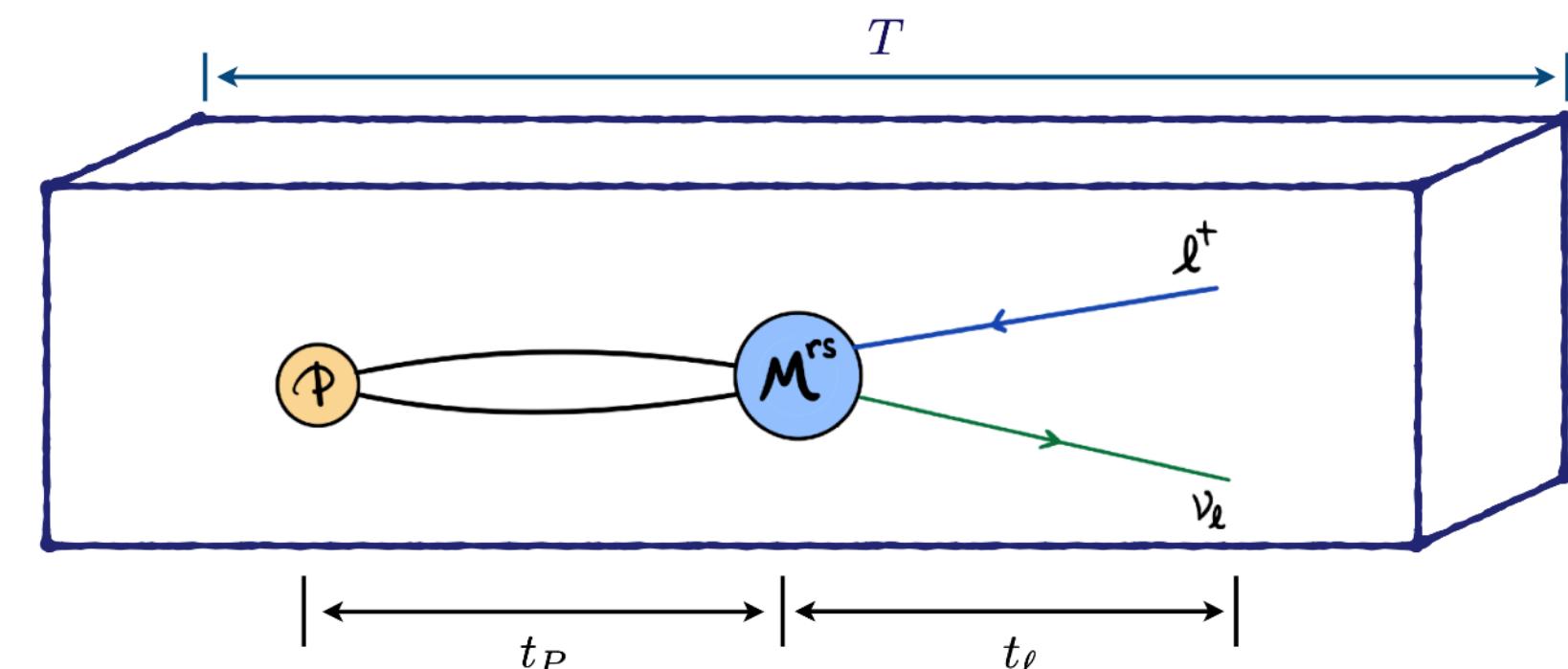
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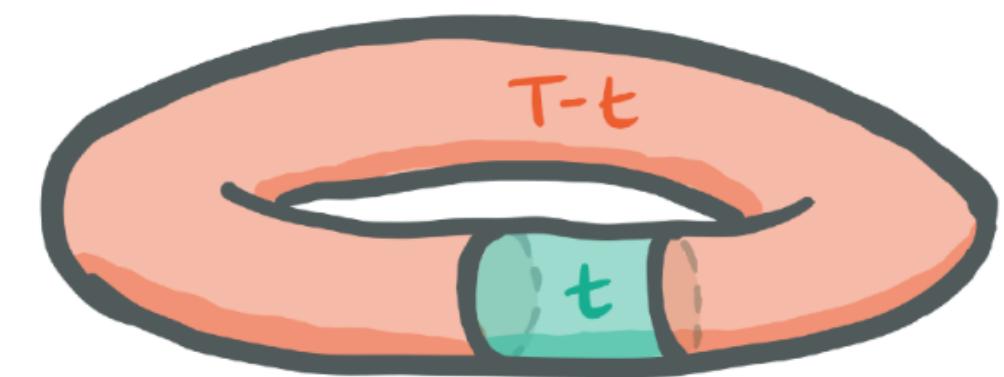
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**Tree-level decay amplitude:**  $|\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{p}_\ell)|^2 = |\mathcal{A}_{P,0}|^2 |\mathcal{L}_0(\mathbf{p}_\ell)|^2 \quad \mathcal{A}_{P,0} = \langle 0 | A^0 | P \rangle_0 = i m_{P,0} [f_{P,0}]$

$$\text{Diagram: } \phi_0 \text{ (yellow)} \text{---} A^0 \text{ (cyan)} = \langle 0 | A^0(0) \phi^\dagger(-t) | 0 \rangle_T \rightarrow \frac{Z_{P,0} \mathcal{A}_{P,0}}{2m_{P,0}} \left\{ e^{-m_{P,0}t} - e^{-m_{P,0}(T-t)} \right\} \quad Z_{P,0} = \langle P, \mathbf{p} = 0 | \phi^\dagger | 0 \rangle_0$$

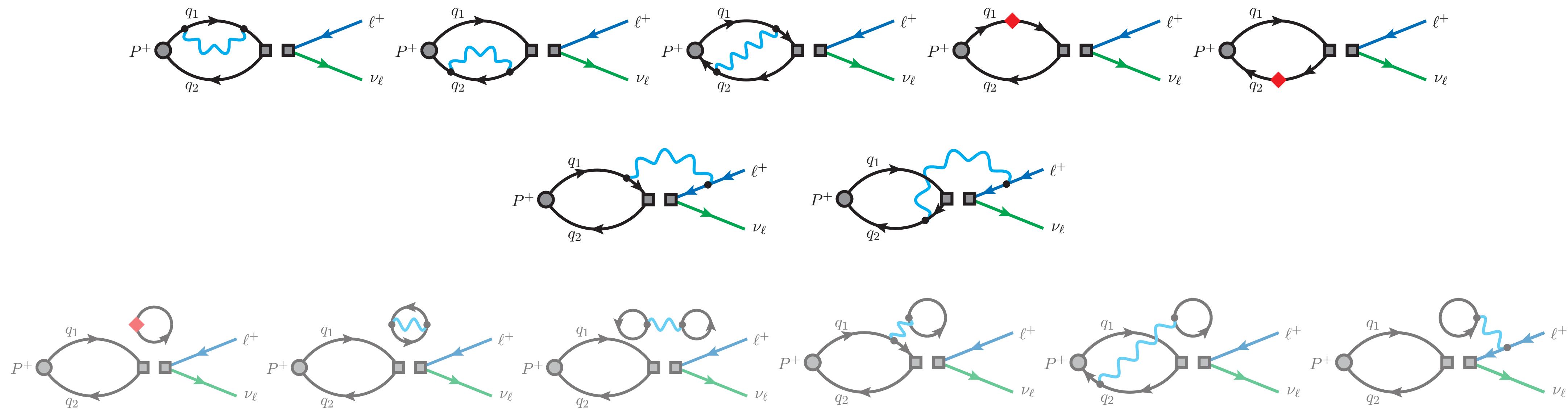
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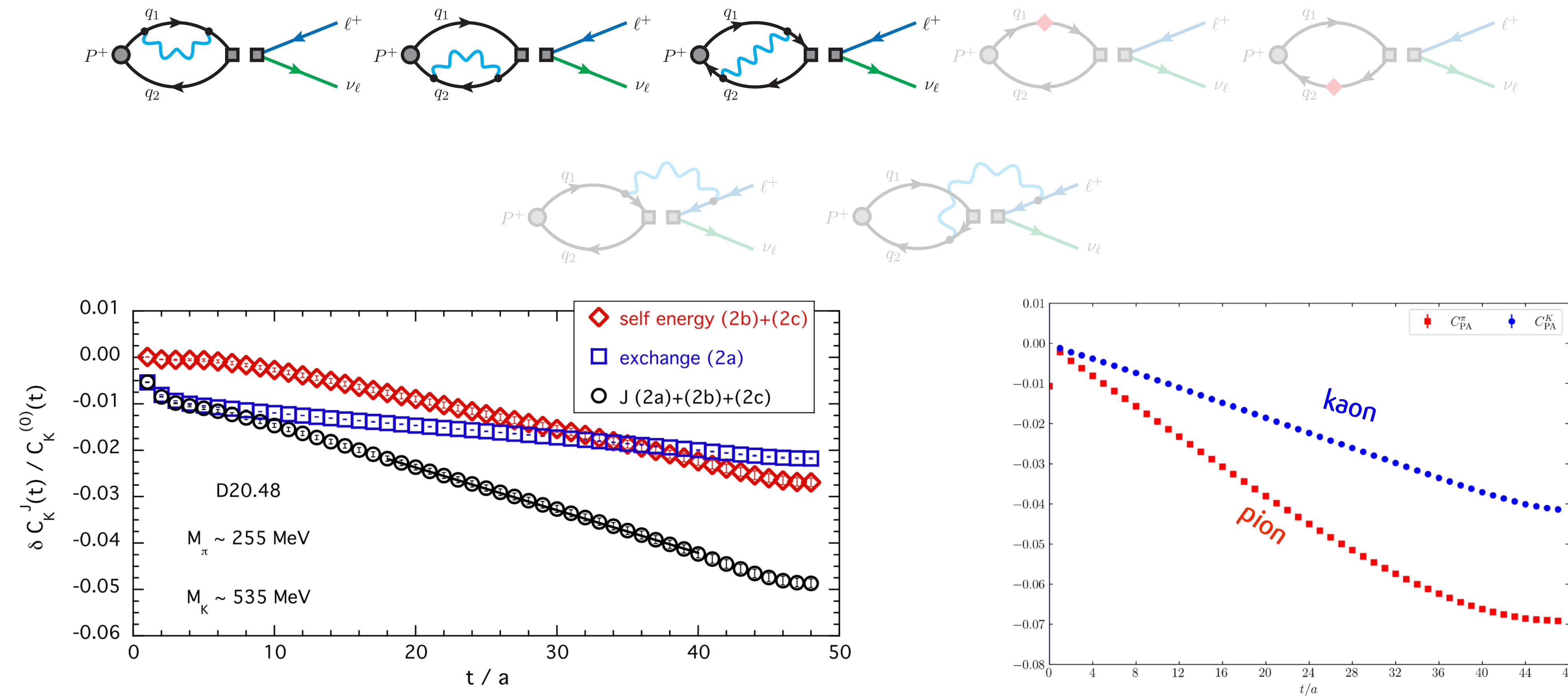


Both RM123S and RBC-UKQCD calculations are performed in the **electro-quenched approximation:**  
sea quarks electrically neutral

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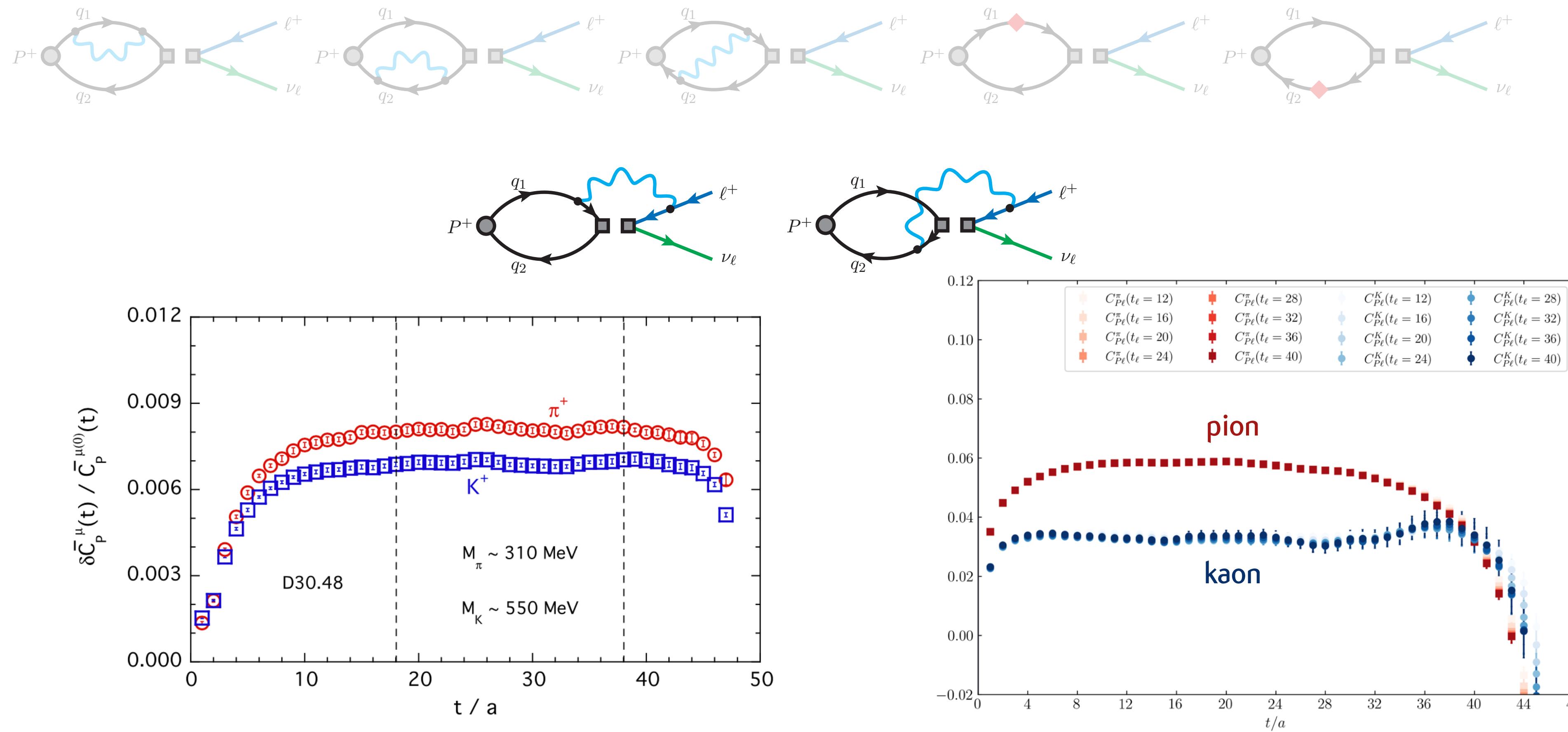
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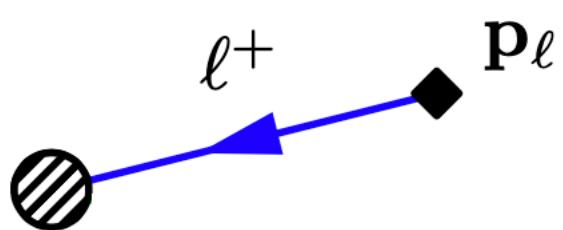


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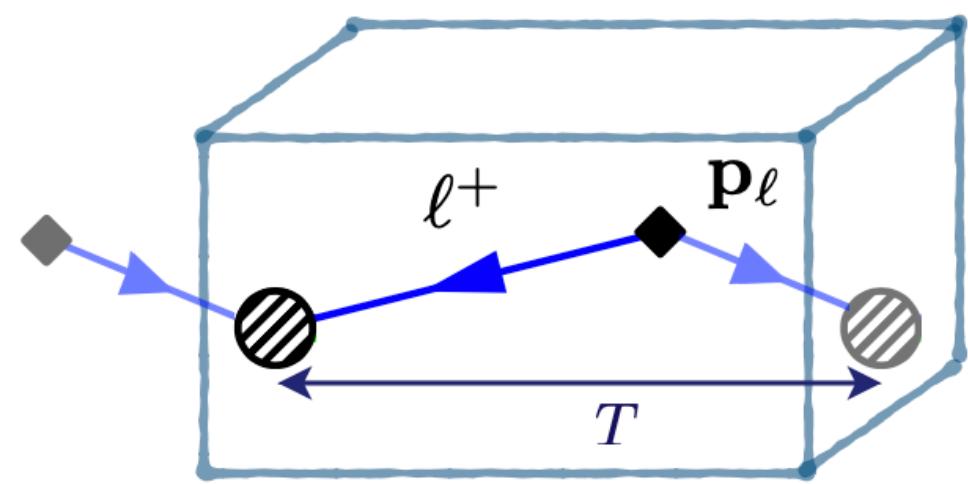
# Non-factorisable QED corrections

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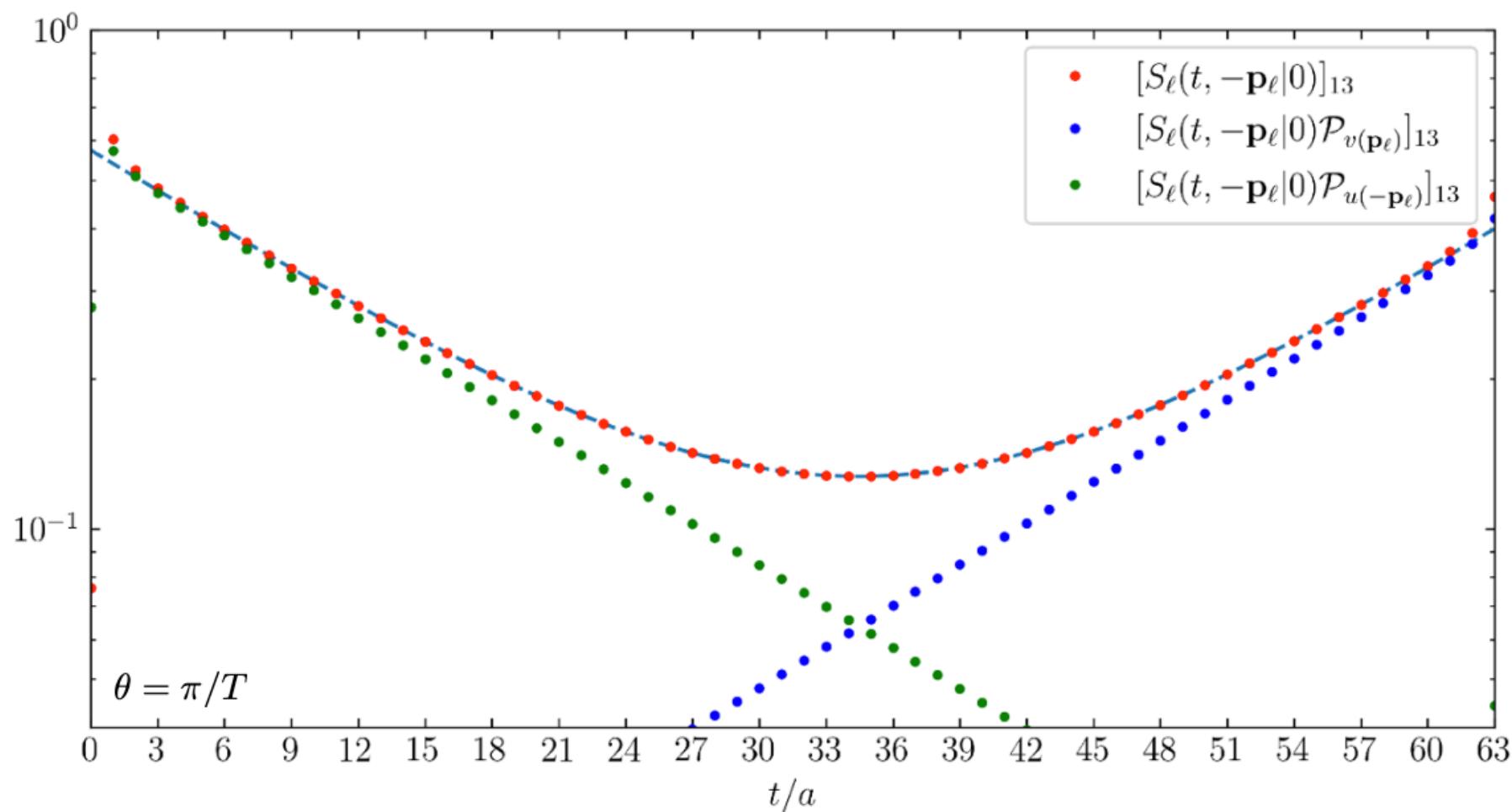
$$\text{Diagram: } \ell^+ \rightarrow \text{lepton state} = S(0|t, \mathbf{p}_\ell) = \sum_r \left\{ -e^{-tE_\ell} \frac{v_r(\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{v}_r(\mathbf{p}_\ell)}{2\Omega_\ell} \right\}$$


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$$S(0|t, \mathbf{p}_\ell) = \sum_r \left\{ -e^{-tE_\ell} \frac{v_r(\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{v}_r(\mathbf{p}_\ell)}{2\Omega_\ell} + e^{i\theta T} e^{-(T-t)E_\ell} \frac{u_r(-\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{u}_r(-\mathbf{p}_\ell)}{2\Omega_\ell} \right\} \times \frac{1}{1 - e^{-TE_\ell} e^{i\theta T}}$$



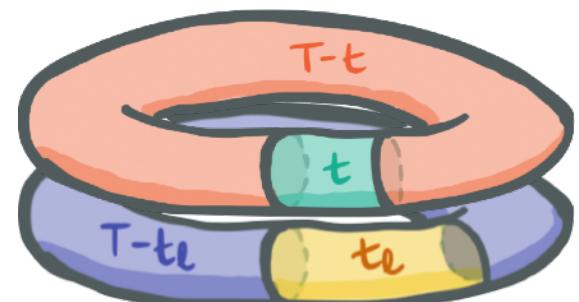
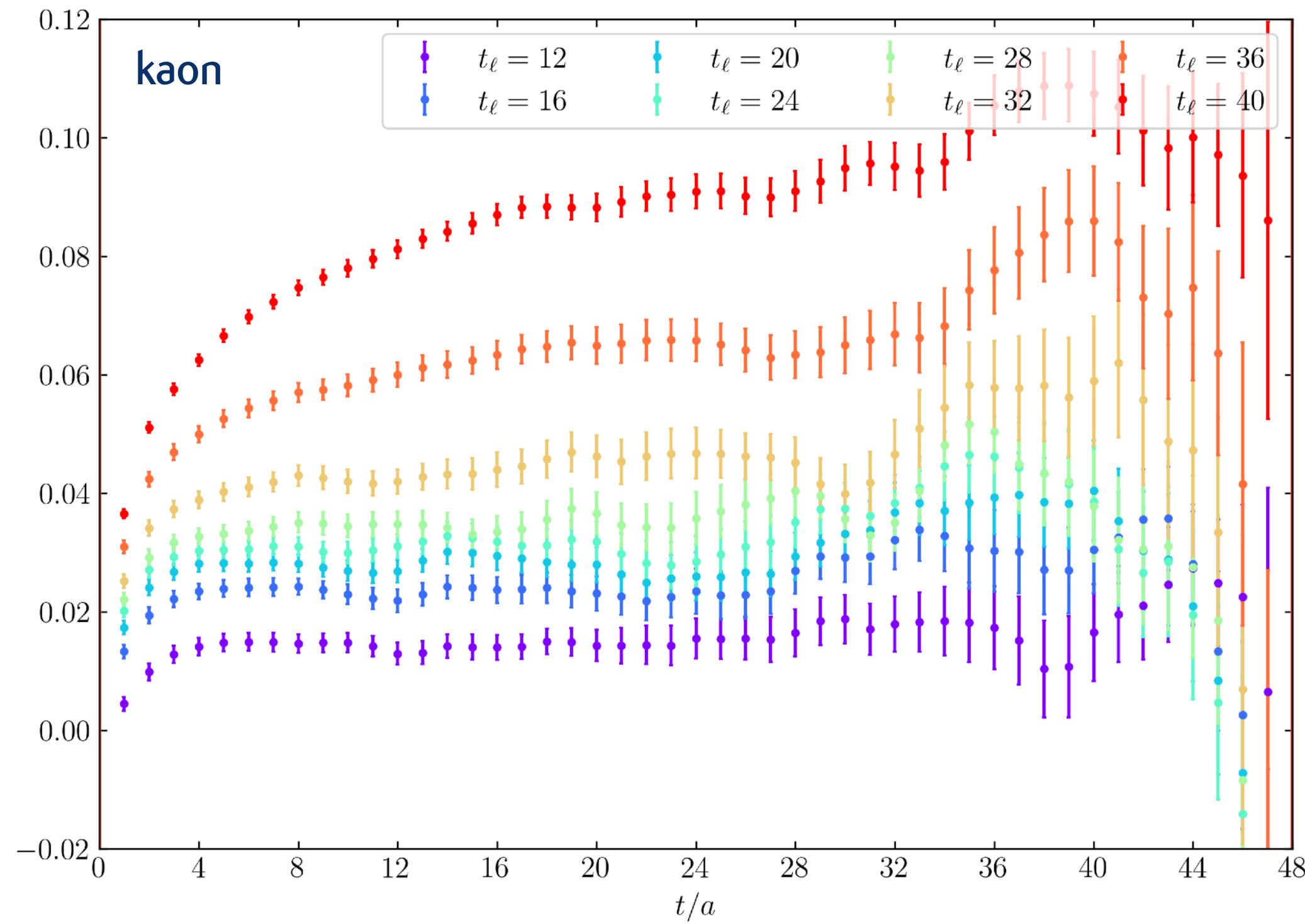
We can select specific components using projectors:

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \end{array} \right] \cdot \mathcal{P}_{v(\mathbf{p}_\ell)} &= \left[ \begin{array}{c} \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{green}{\bullet} \end{array} \right] \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{red}{\bullet} \end{array} \right] \cdot \mathcal{P}_{u(-\mathbf{p}_\ell)} &= \left[ \begin{array}{c} \textcolor{blue}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{blue}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{blue}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{blue}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{blue}{\bullet} \\ \textcolor{blue}{\bullet} \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

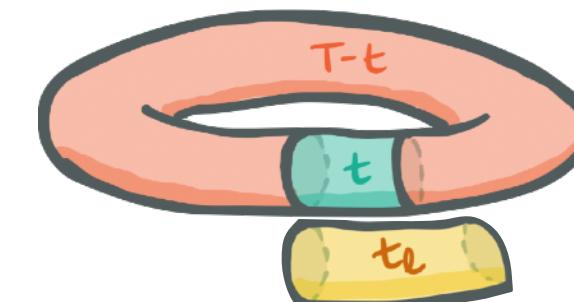
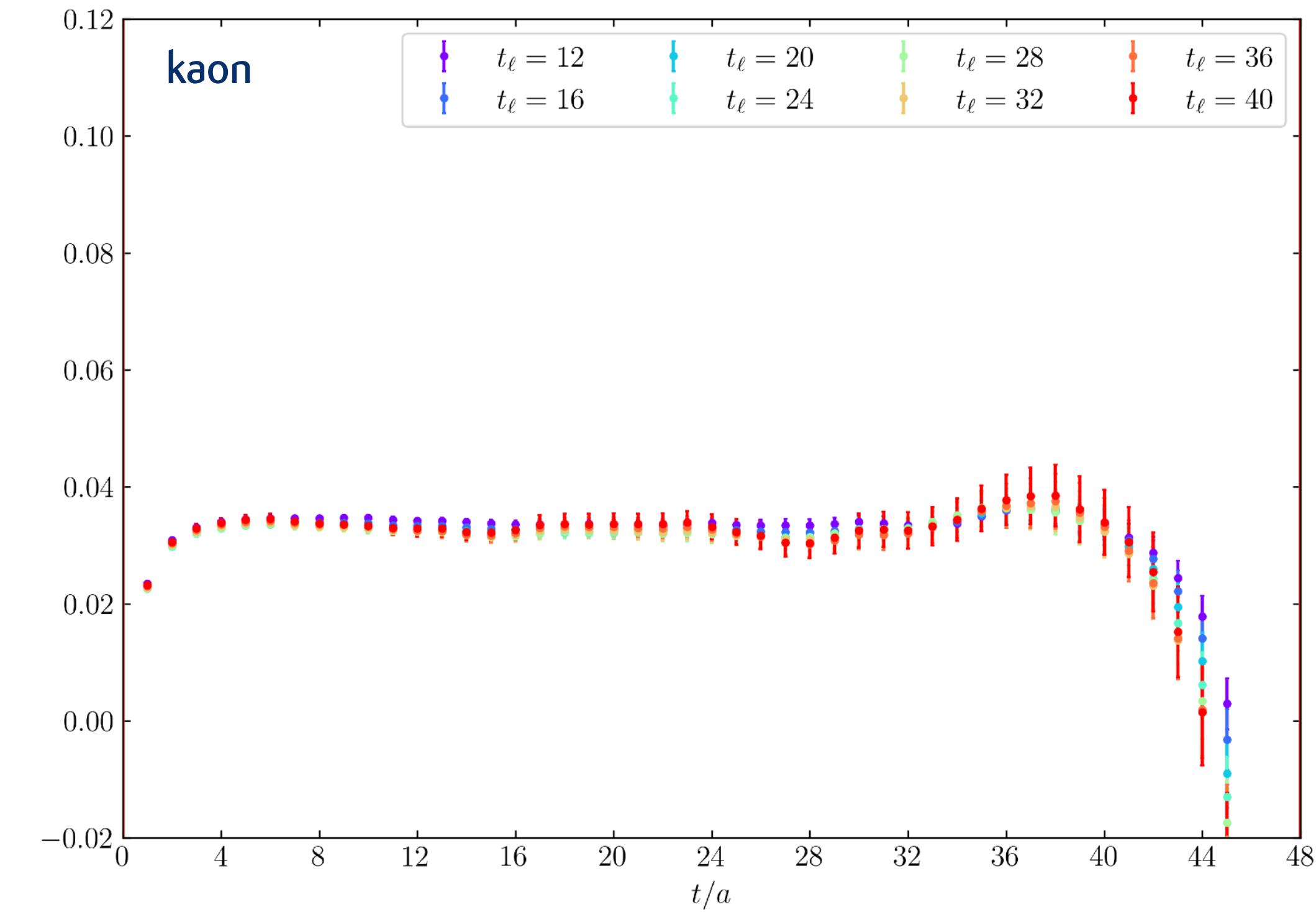
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{v(\mathbf{p}_\ell)} &= \{u_t(-\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{u}_t(-\mathbf{p}_\ell) + v_s(\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{v}_s(\mathbf{p}_\ell)\}^{-1} [v_r(\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{v}_r(\mathbf{p}_\ell)] \\ \mathcal{P}_{u(-\mathbf{p}_\ell)} &= \{u_t(-\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{u}_t(-\mathbf{p}_\ell) + v_s(\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{v}_s(\mathbf{p}_\ell)\}^{-1} [u_r(-\mathbf{p}_\ell)\bar{u}_r(-\mathbf{p}_\ell)] \end{aligned}$$

# Non-factorisable QED corrections

$$\frac{\text{Diagram}}{\text{Diagram}} \rightarrow \frac{\delta_{\text{non-fact}} \mathcal{A}_P}{\mathcal{A}_{P,0}} f_{P\ell}(t, T)$$



without projection



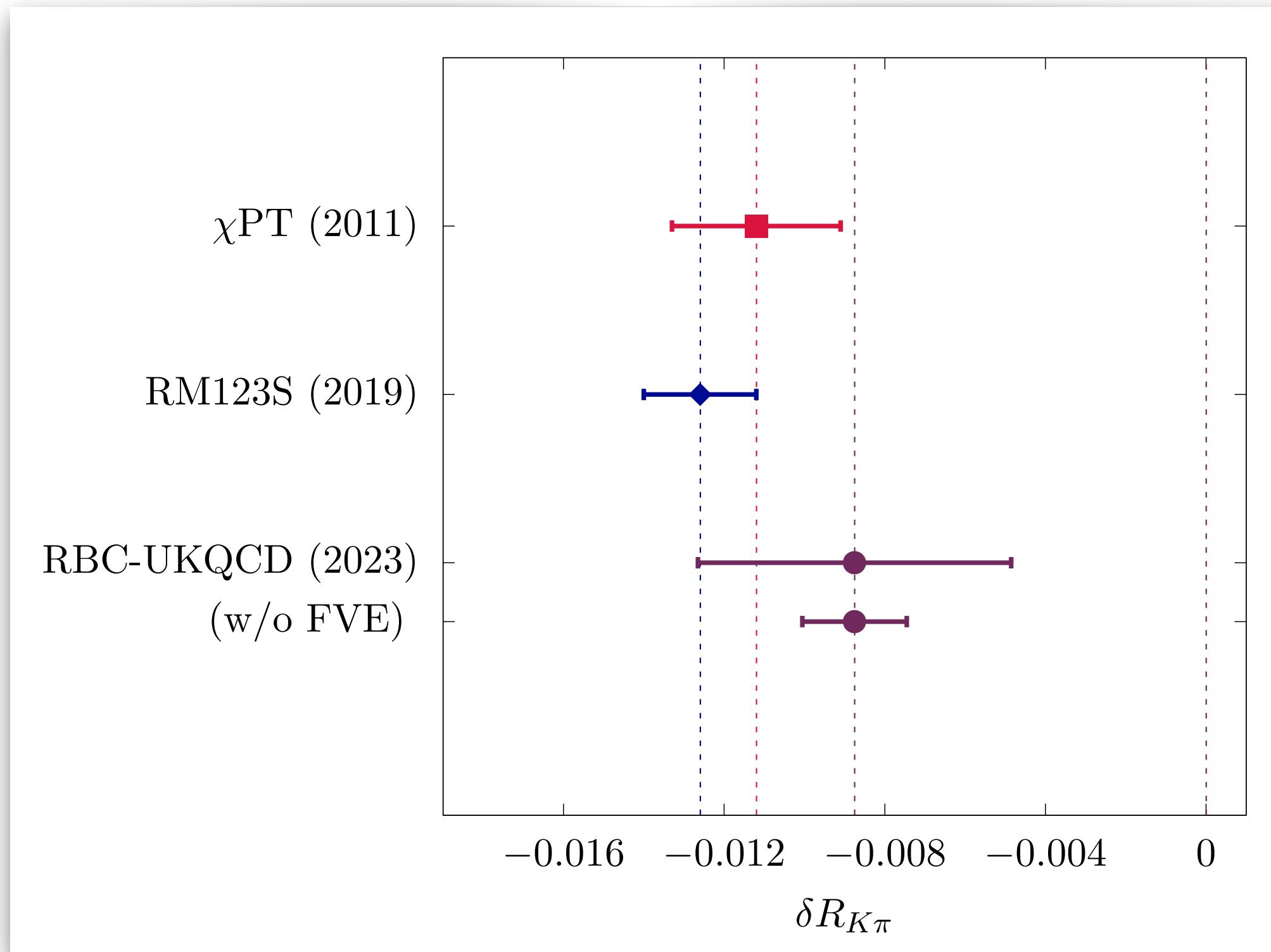
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# Results for $\delta R_{K\pi}$

V. Cirigliano et al., PLB 700 (2011)  
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 P.Boyle, MDC et al., JHEP 02 (2023)

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$$\frac{\Gamma(K \rightarrow \ell \nu_\ell)}{\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \ell \nu_\ell)} \propto \frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} \left( \frac{f_K}{f_\pi} \right)^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi})$$



- Strong evidence that  $\delta R_{K\pi}$  can be computed from first principles non-perturbatively on the lattice!
- RBC-UKQCD error dominated by a large systematic uncertainty related to finite-volume effects
- Errors on  $|V_{us}| / |V_{ud}|$  from theoretical inputs can become comparable with those from experiments

# Prospects for $|V_{us}/V_{ud}|$

## An exercise on the error budget

$$\left| \frac{V_{us}}{V_{ud}} \right|^2 = \left[ \frac{\Gamma(K_{\ell 2})}{\Gamma(\pi_{\ell 2})} \frac{M_{K^+}^3}{M_{\pi^+}^3} \frac{(M_{K^+}^2 - M_{\mu^+}^2)^2}{(M_{\pi^+}^2 - M_{\mu^+}^2)^2} \right]_{\text{exp}} \cdot \left[ \frac{f_{K,0}}{f_{\pi,0}} \right]^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi})$$

- Using our new result  $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0086 (13)(39)_{\text{vol.}}$

$[f_{K,0}/f_{\pi,0}]$	$ V_{us}/V_{ud} $
FLAG21 2+1 average	1.1930 (33)    0.23154 (28) <sub>exp</sub> (15) <sub><math>\delta R</math></sub> (45) <sub><math>\delta R, \text{vol.}</math></sub> (65) <sub><math>f_P</math></sub>

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# QED finite-volume effects

In finite-volume (massless) QED the photon zero modes require a regularisation

$$\Delta g(L) = \left( \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} - \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \int \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} \frac{\mathcal{G}(k_0, \mathbf{k})}{k_0^2 + |\mathbf{k}|^2}$$

$$D^{\mu\nu}(k_0, \mathbf{k}) = \delta^{\mu\nu} \frac{1}{k_0^2 + |\mathbf{k}|^2}$$

M. Hayakawa & S. Uno, PTP 120 (2008)



$$\Delta' g(L) = \left( \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq \mathbf{0}} - \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \int \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} \frac{\mathcal{G}(k_0, \mathbf{k})}{k_0^2 + |\mathbf{k}|^2}$$

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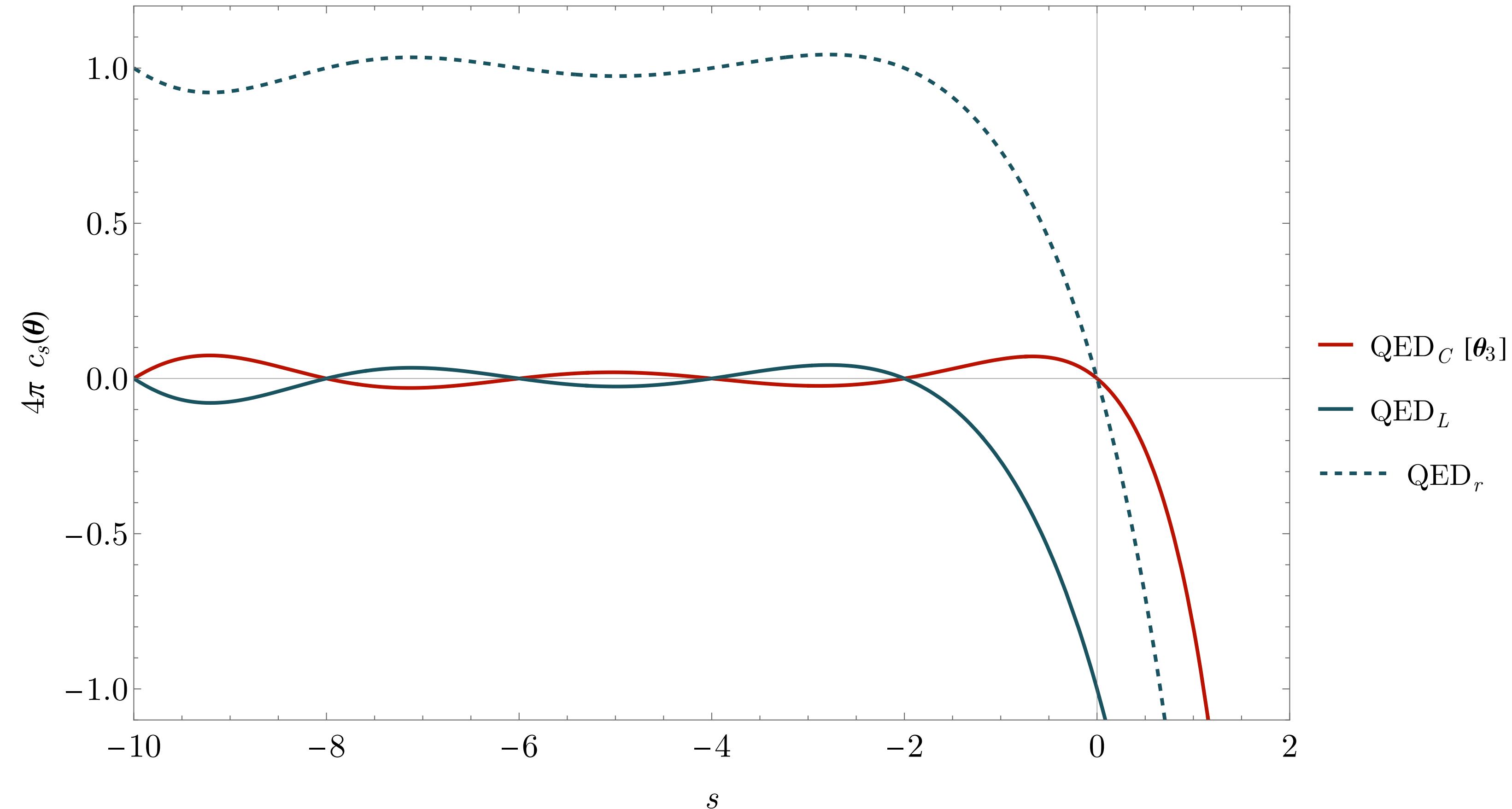
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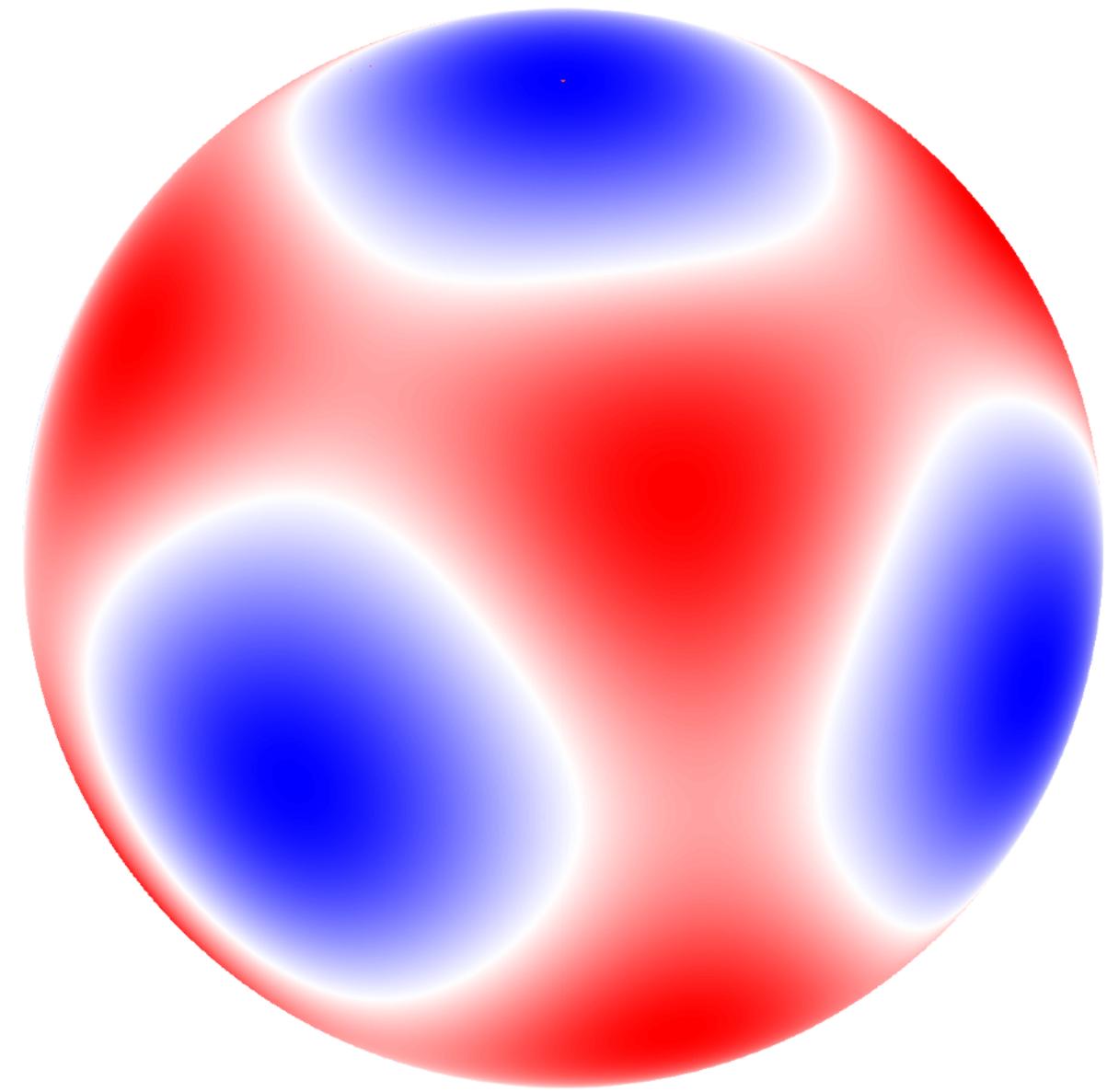
can QED<sub>r</sub> help removing this unknown term?

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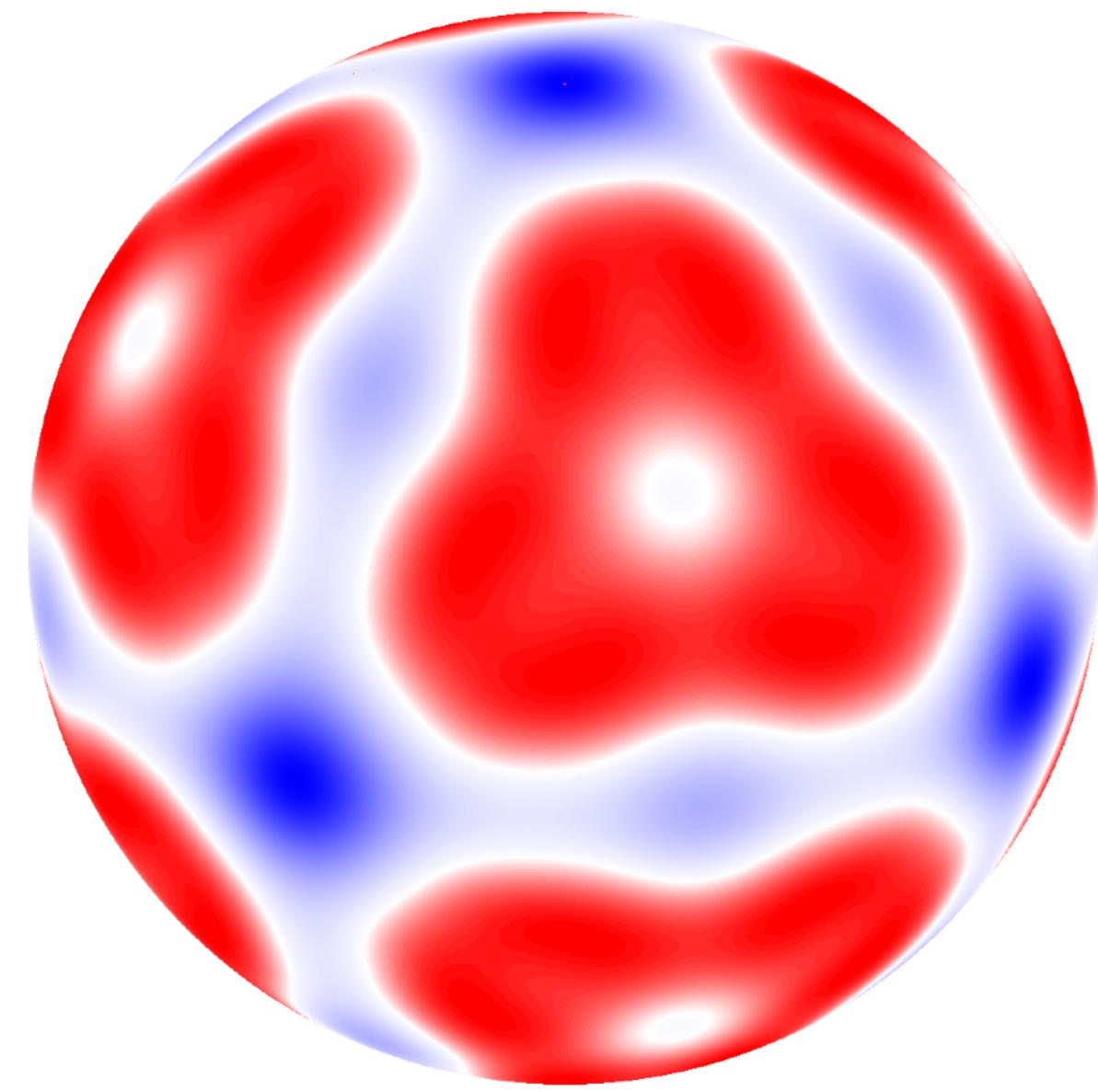
# Velocity-dependent coefficients in QED<sub>r</sub>

$$|v| = 0.40$$



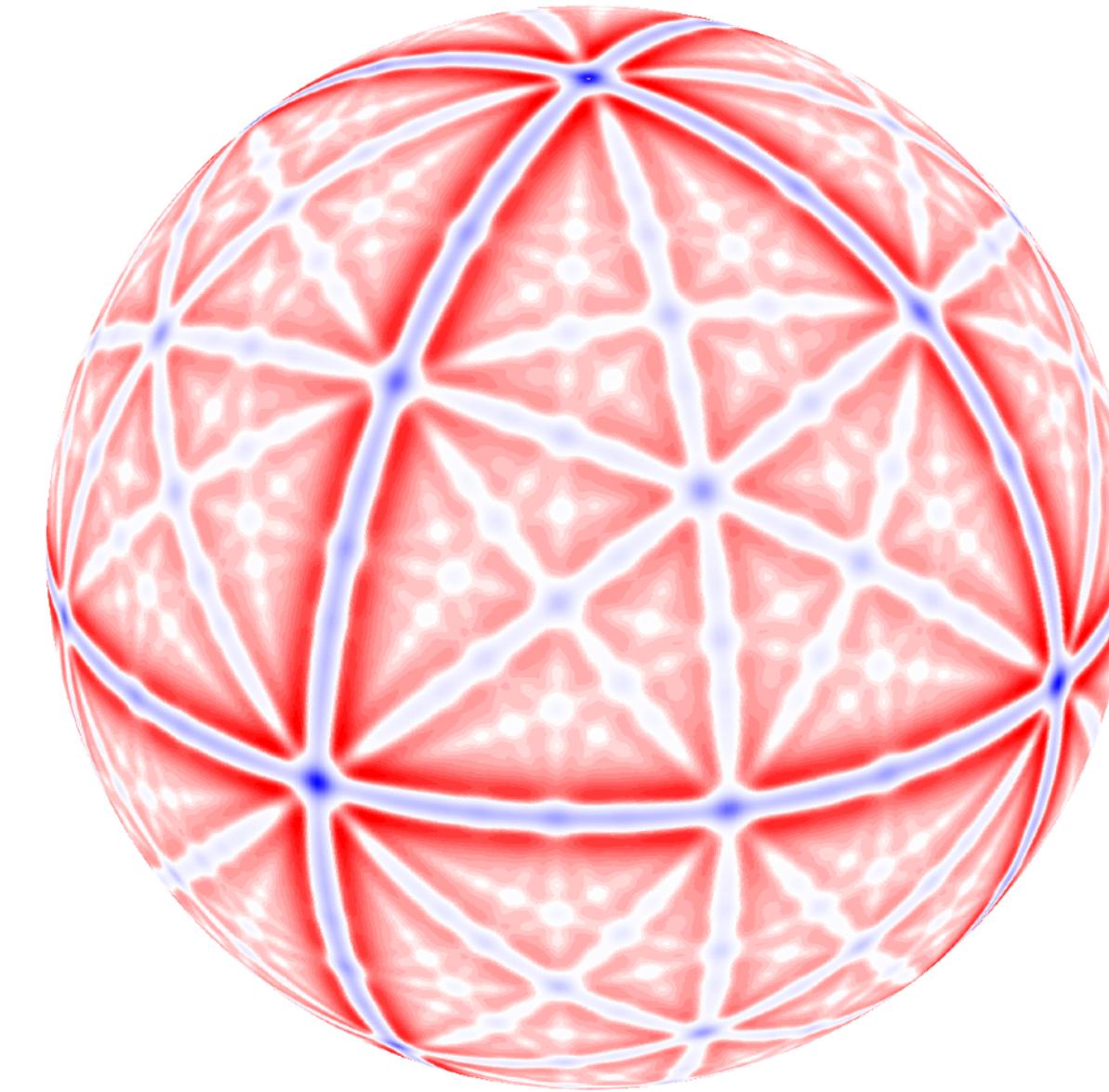
$$\max \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}) = 0.0171$$
$$\min \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}) = -0.0114$$

$$|v| = 0.95$$



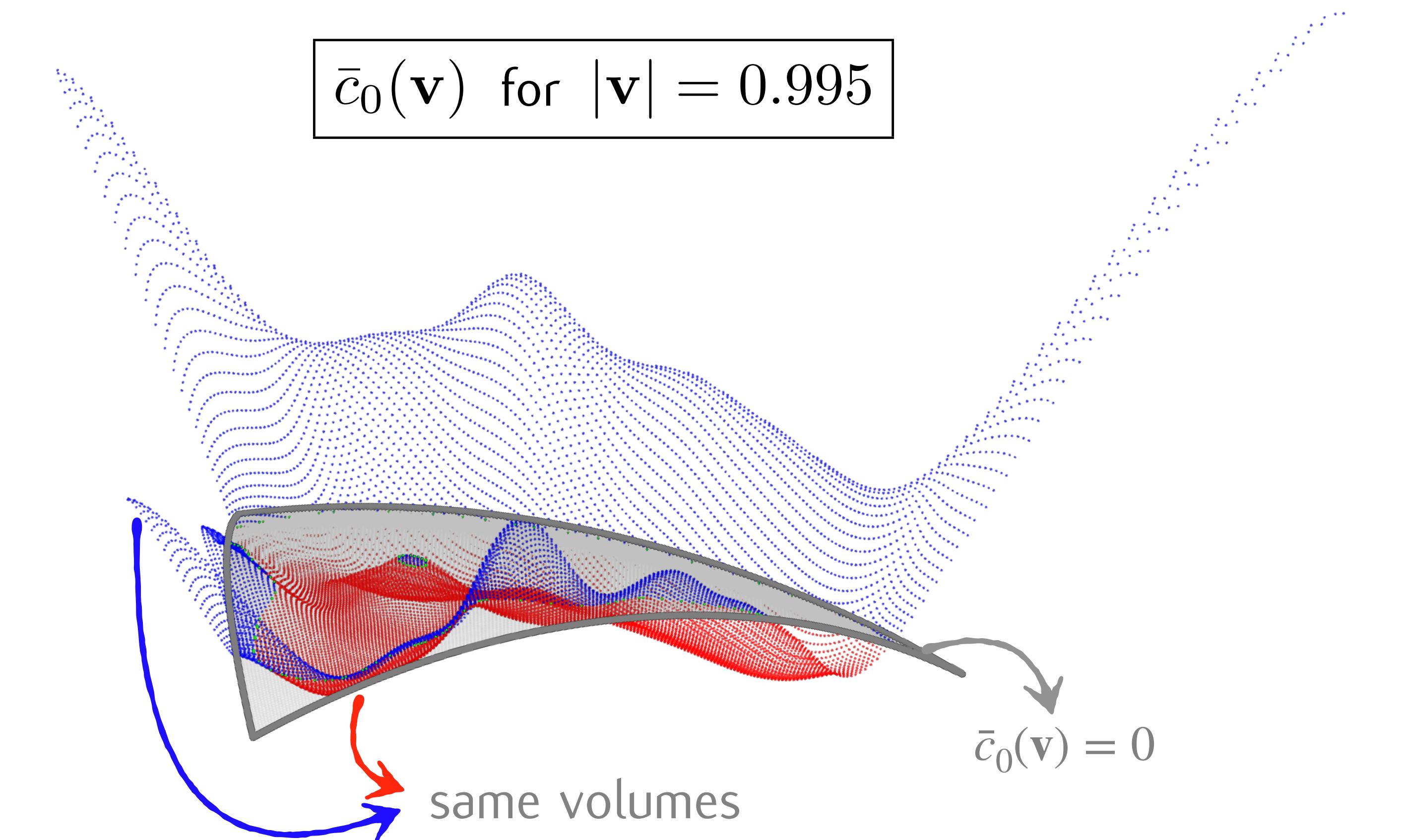
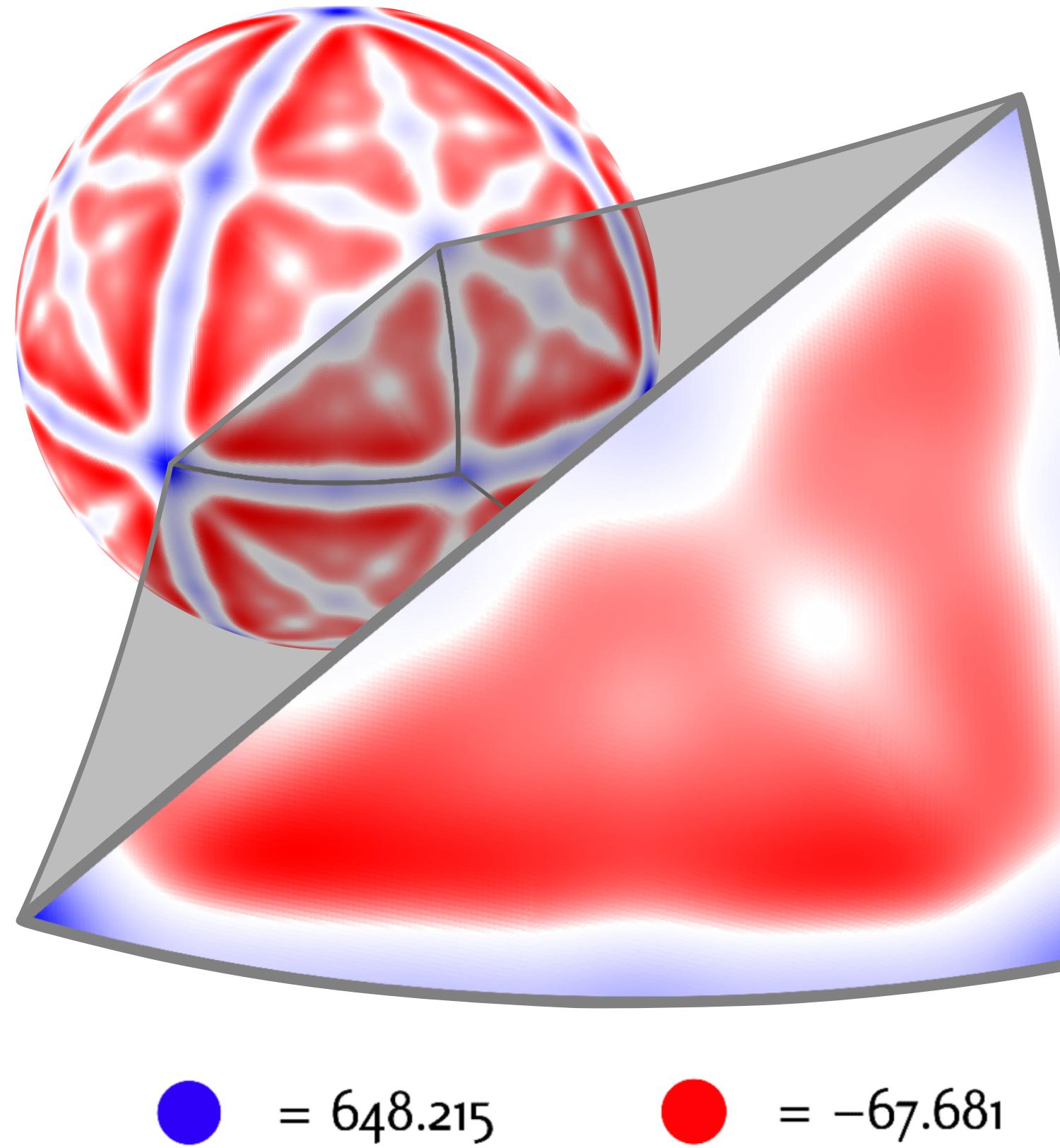
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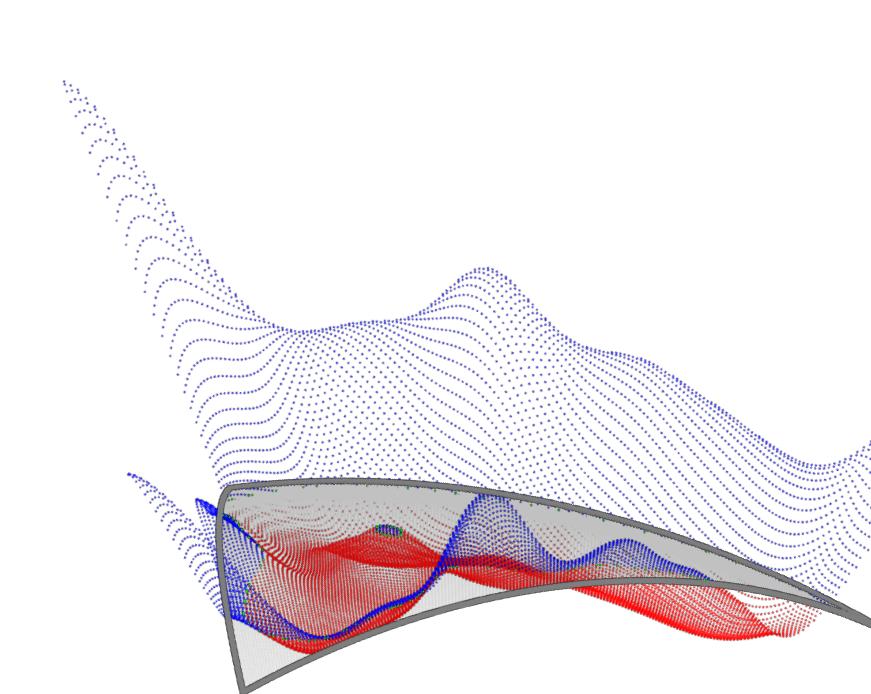
$$\max \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}) = 9002.2317$$
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# Velocity-dependent coefficients in QED<sub>r</sub>

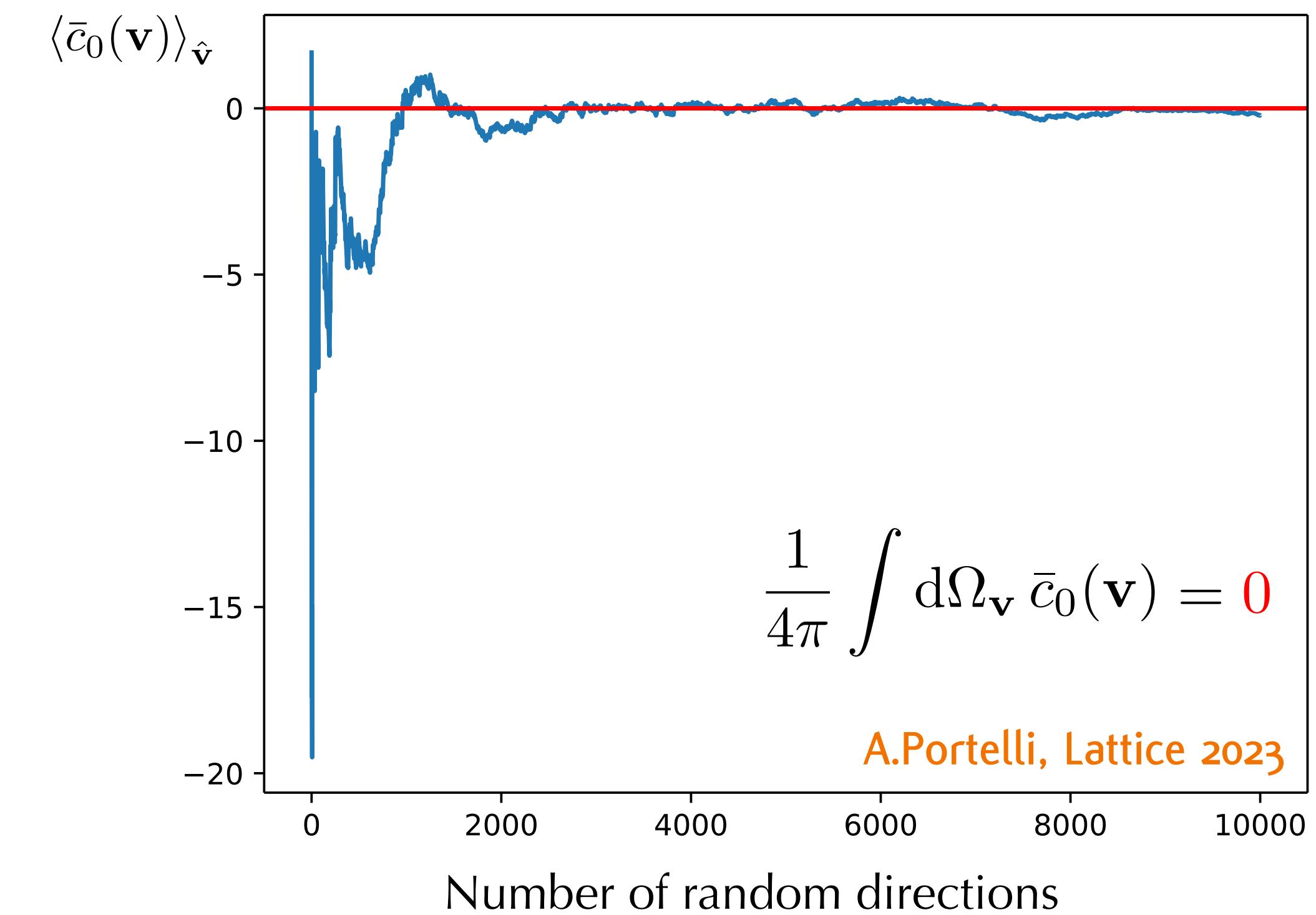
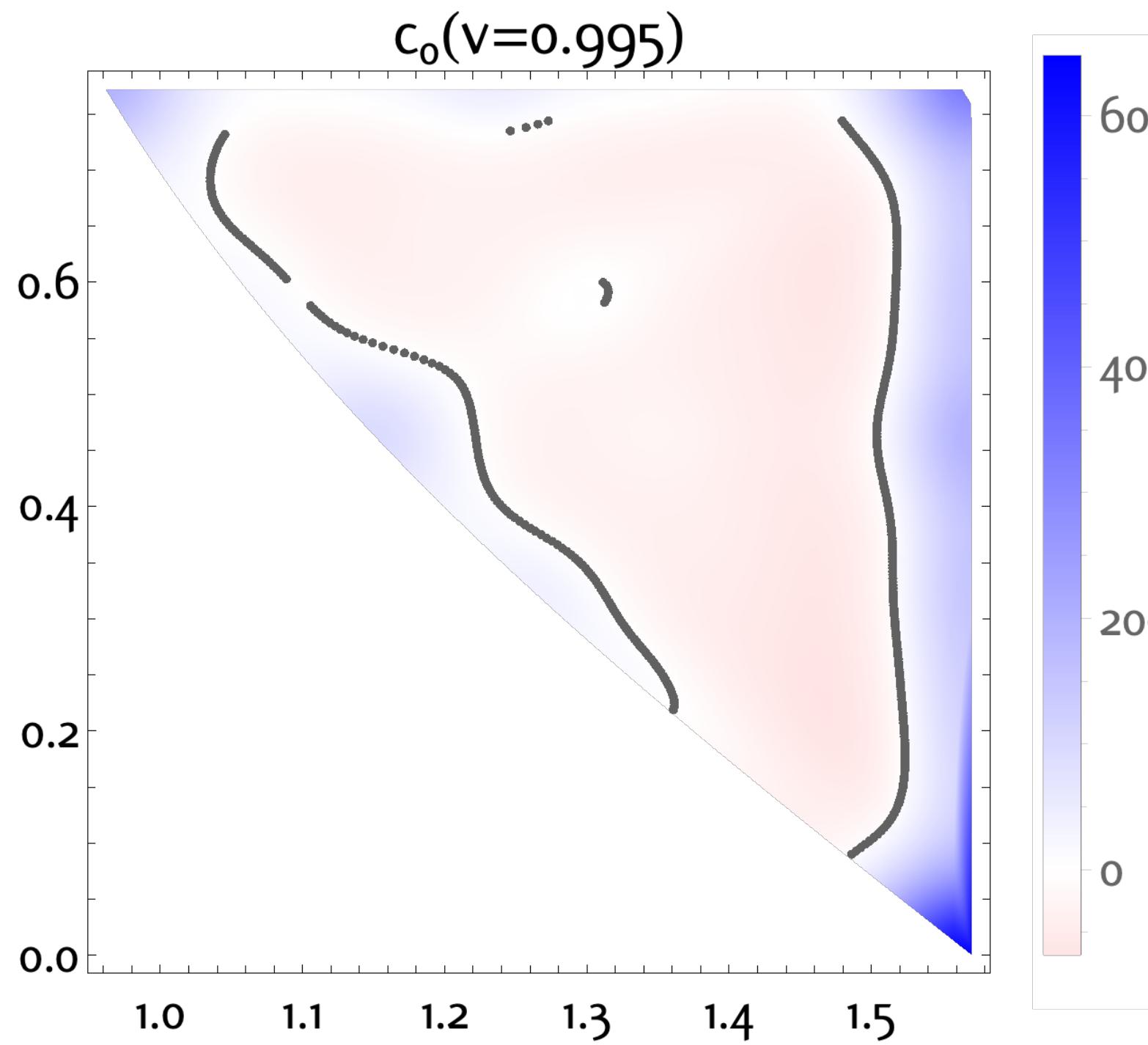


# Velocity-dependent coefficients in QED<sub>r</sub>

work in progress  
in both directions



Stochastic direction average



# Take home messages on finite-volume effects?

- ▶ Finite-volume expansions studied for masses and leptonic decays
- ▶ Unknown structure-dependent contributions start at  $O(1/L^3)$
- ▶ QED<sub>r</sub> regularisation could help pushing unknown effects to  $O(1/L^4)$ ?
- ▶ Velocity-dependent effects potentially problematic for heavy meson decays
- ▶ Asymptotic series need further study: up to what order subtracting FV effects is beneficial?



# Infinite volume reconstruction

X.Feng & L.Jin, PRD 100 (2019)

QED $_{\infty}$

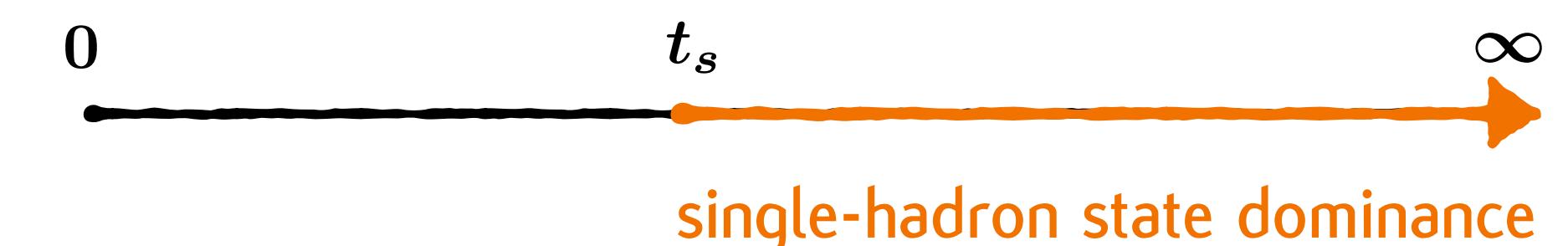
- An alternative approach is to compute radiative corrections as a convolution of hadronic correlators with infinite-volume QED kernels

$$\Delta\mathcal{O} = \int dt \int d^3x \mathcal{H}(t, x) f_{\text{QED}}(t, x) = \Delta\mathcal{O}^{(s)} + \Delta\mathcal{O}^{(l)}$$

Separate correlator into short and long distance parts:

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}^{(s)} \approx \frac{1}{2} \int_{-t_s}^{t_s} dt \int_{L^3} d^3x \mathcal{H}^L(t, x) f_{\text{QED}}(t, x)$$

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}^{(l)} \approx \int_{L^3} d^3x \mathcal{H}^L(t_s, x) \mathcal{F}_{\text{QED}}(t_s, x)$$

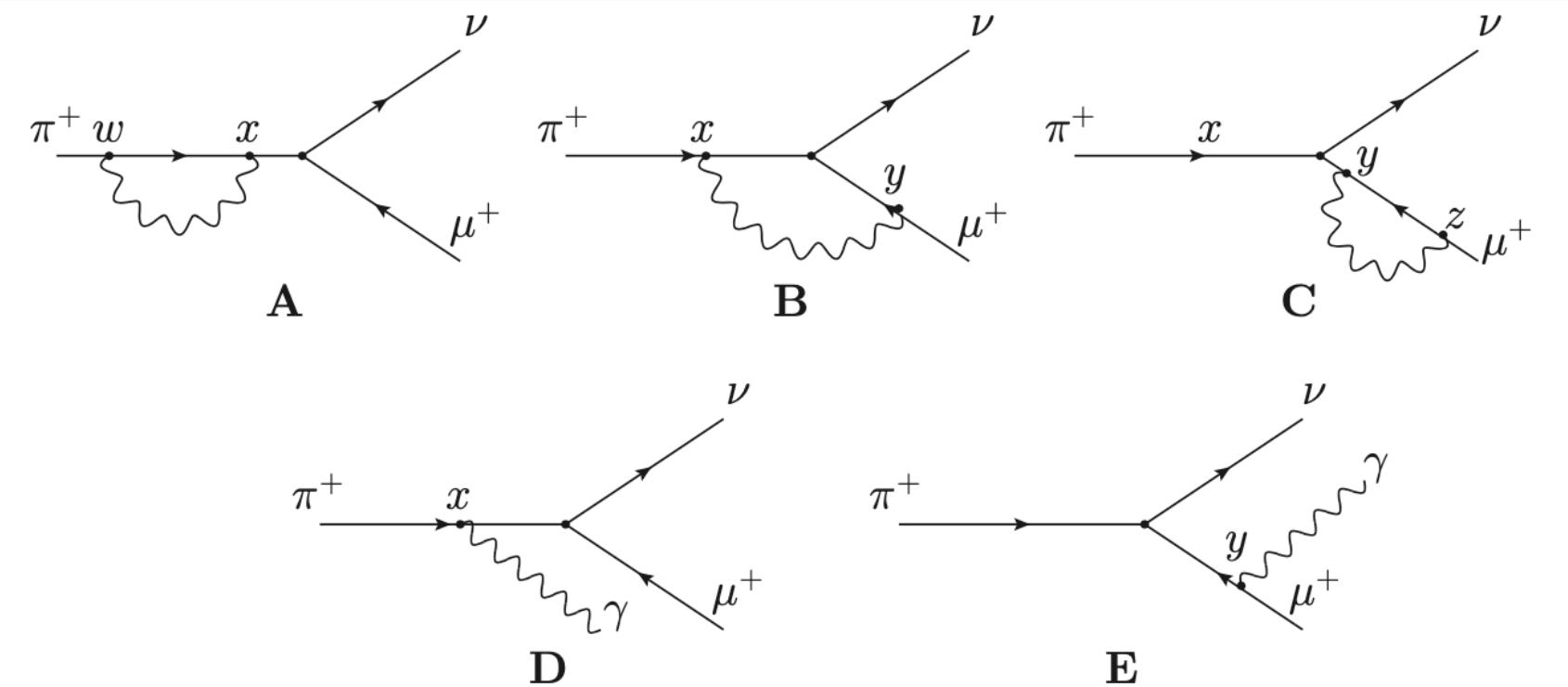


Exponentially suppressed    (a) finite-volume effects    (b) contributions of states with higher energy

# Infinite volume reconstruction

N.Christ et al., [2304.08026]

QED $_{\infty}$



- Diagram A:

$$H_{\mu,\rho,\sigma}^{(2)}(t_1, t_2, \vec{x}) = \int d^3 \vec{w} \langle 0 | T\{ J_\mu^W(0) J_\rho^{\text{EM}}(t_1, \vec{w} + \vec{x}) J_\sigma^{\text{EM}}(t_2, \vec{w}) \} | \pi(\vec{0}) \rangle$$

- Diagram B and D:

$$H_{\mu,\rho}^{(1)}(x) = H_{\mu,\rho}^{(1)}(x_t, \vec{x}) = \langle 0 | T\{ J_\mu^W(0) J_\rho^{\text{EM}}(x) \} | \pi(\vec{0}) \rangle$$

- Diagram C and E ( $f_\pi \approx 130$  MeV):

$$H_\mu^{(0)} = H_t^{(0)} \delta_{\mu,t} = \langle 0 | J_\mu^W(0) | \pi(\vec{0}) \rangle = -im_\pi f_\pi \delta_{\mu,t}$$

Strategy proposed for leptonic decay rates:

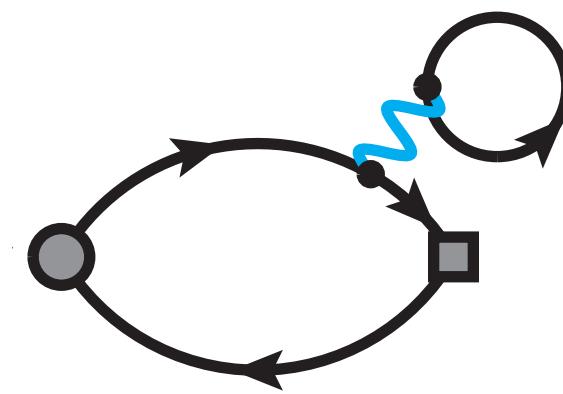
- Logarithmic IR divergences appear
- but they cancel analytically between diagrams
- Numerical calculation still ongoing...  
... systematics under control?

from Luchang Jin's talk @ Edinburgh May 30, 2023

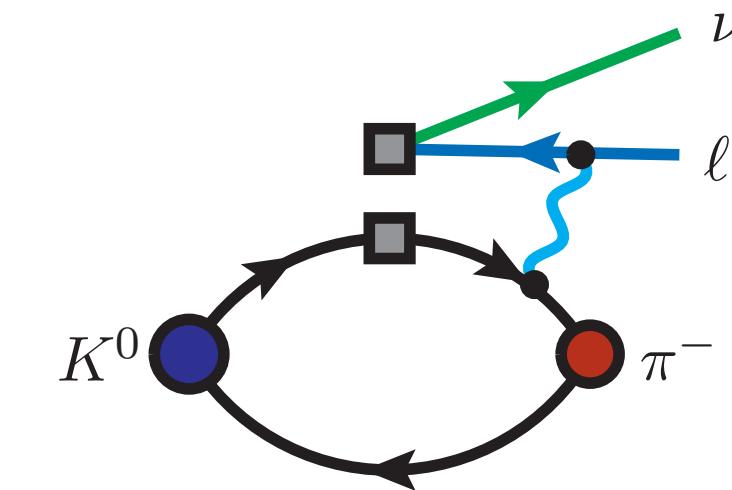
# Where do we stand

- Current tensions in CKM unitarity require a combined effort of theory and experiments
- Two lattice calculations of IB and QED corrections to light-meson leptonic decay rates
- Finite volume QED effects have to be carefully investigated

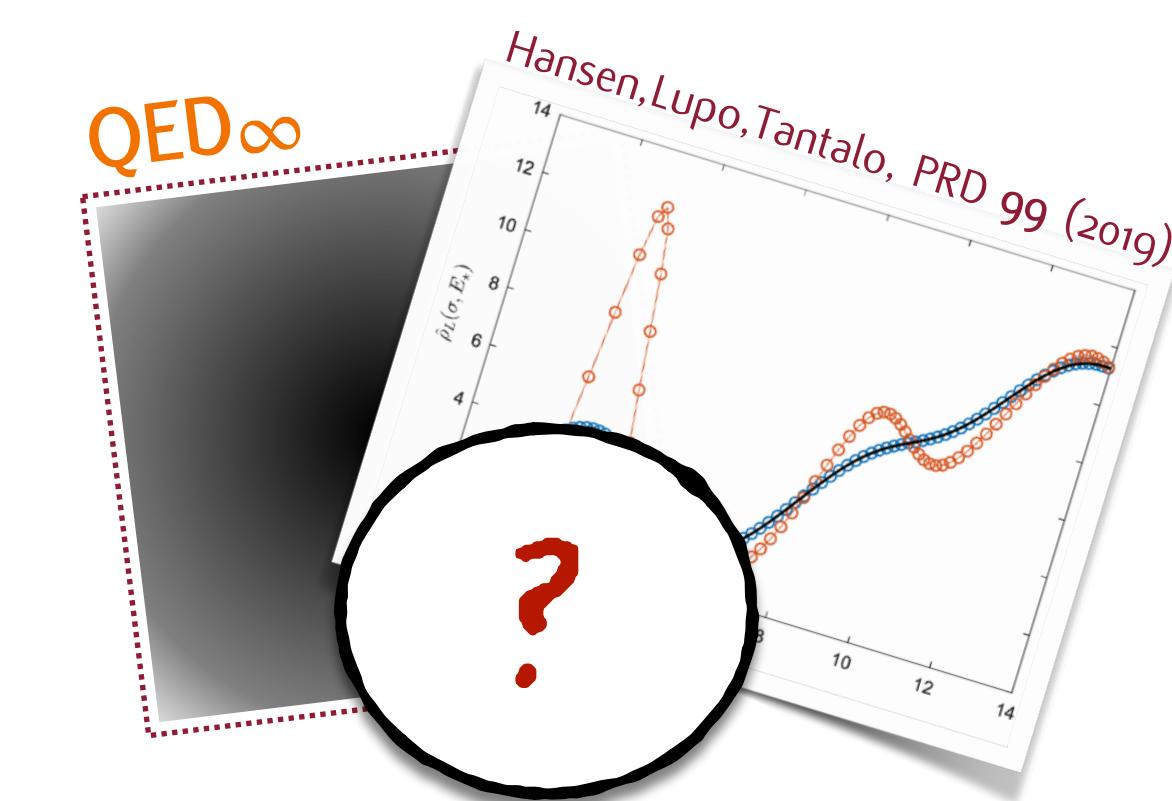
## ... and where to go?



move to unquenched  
calculations



tackle different weak  
processes



develop and apply  
new techniques

# Thank you



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