

A novel theoretical approach to $R(D^{()})$ through the Dispersive Matrix method*

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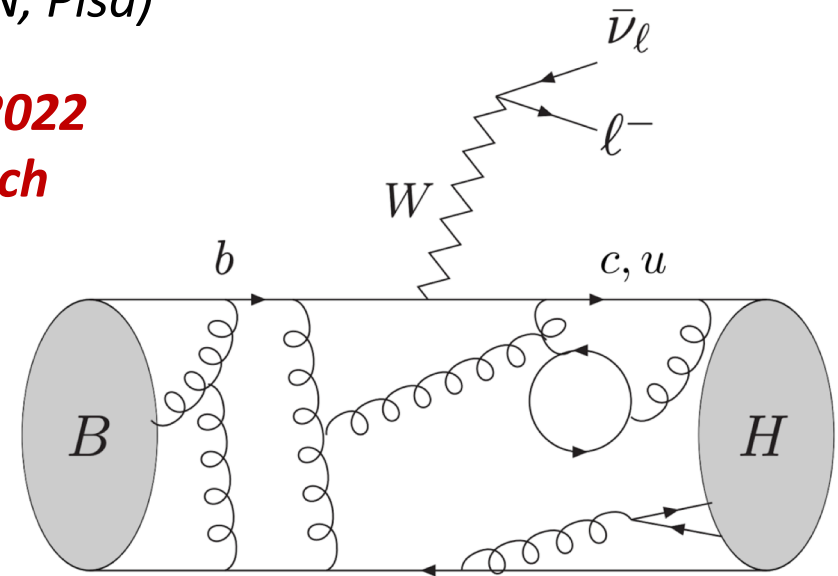
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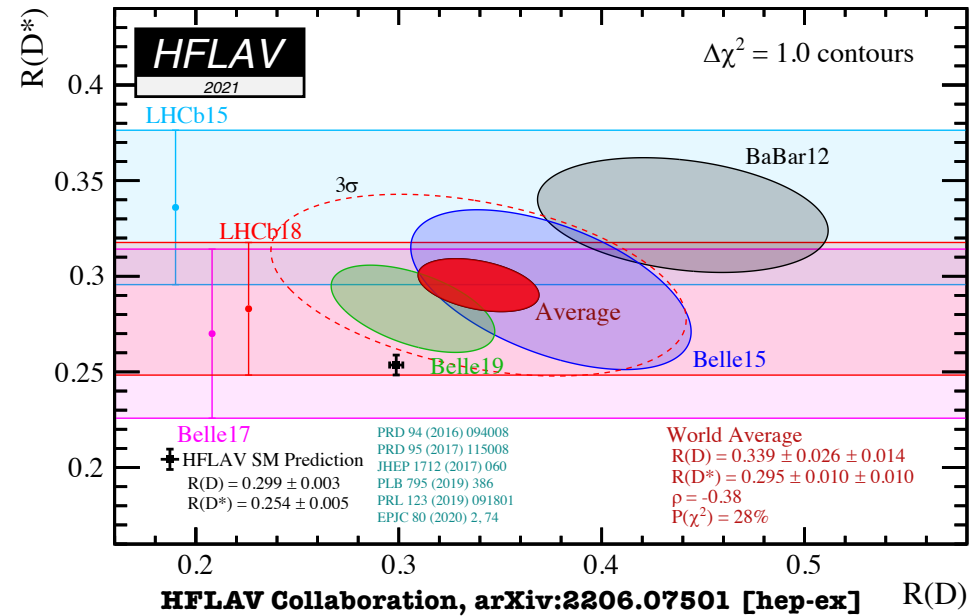
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How does it work?

The DM method

Let us focus on a generic FF f : we can define

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Non-perturbative values of the susceptibilities from the dispersion relations (see PRD '21 (2105.07851)

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One can show that

$$\det \mathbf{M} \geq 0$$

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Values of the momentum transfer @ which FFs are computed on the lattice

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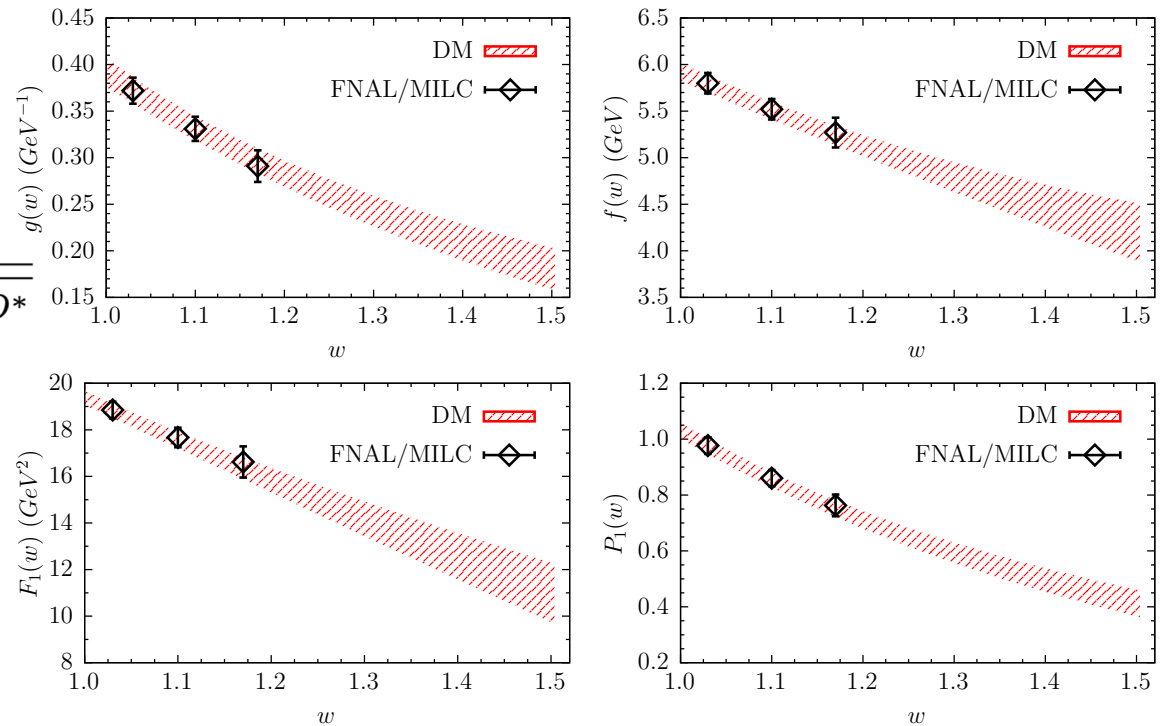
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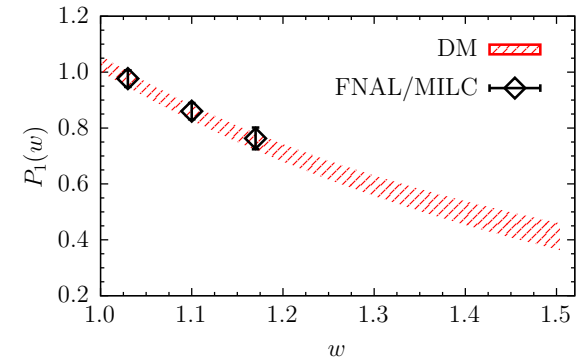
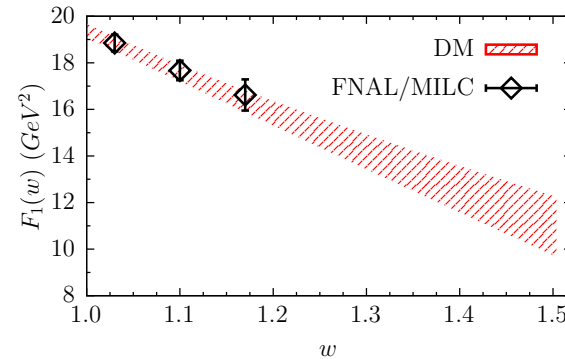
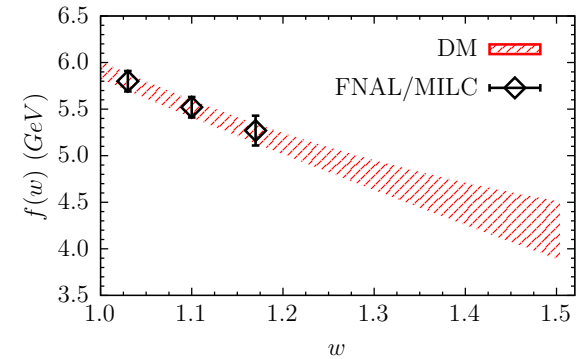
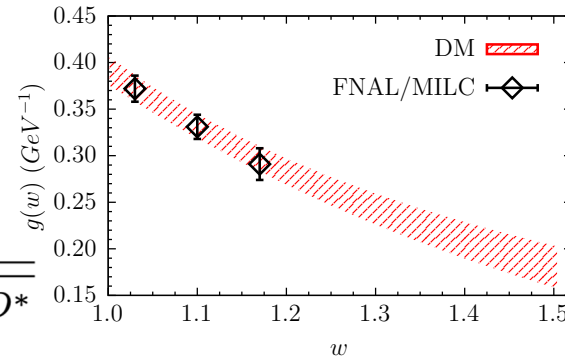
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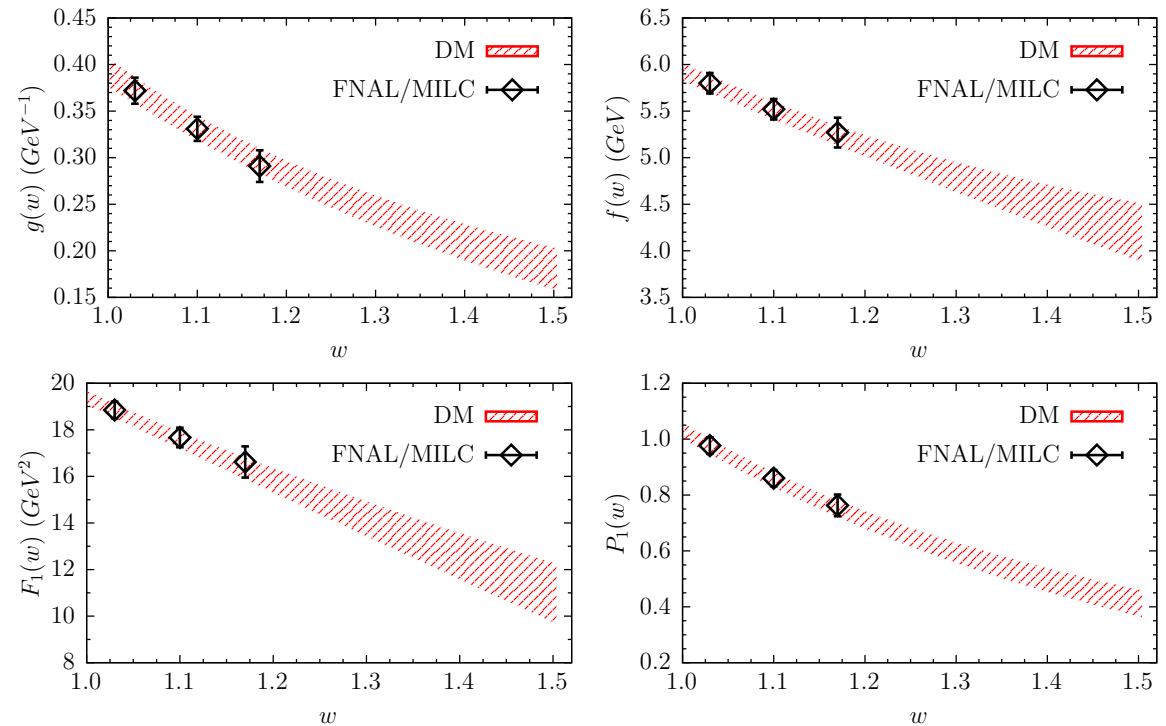
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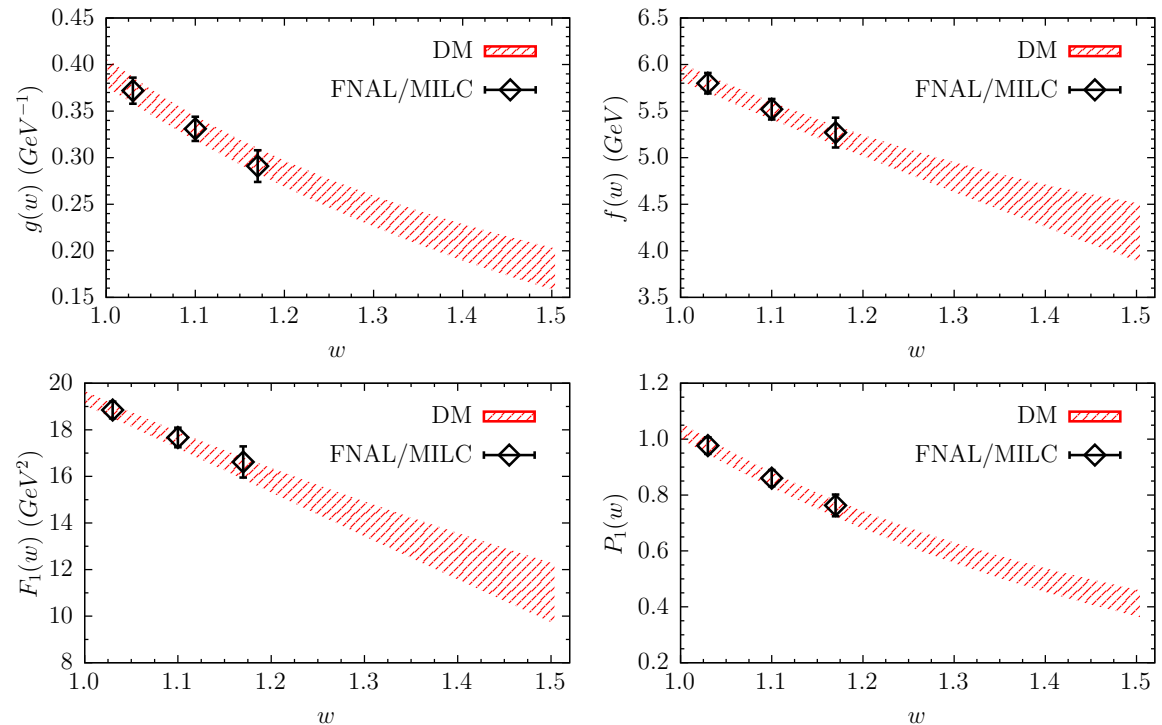
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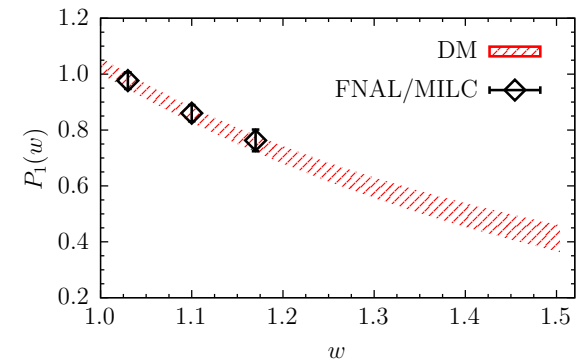
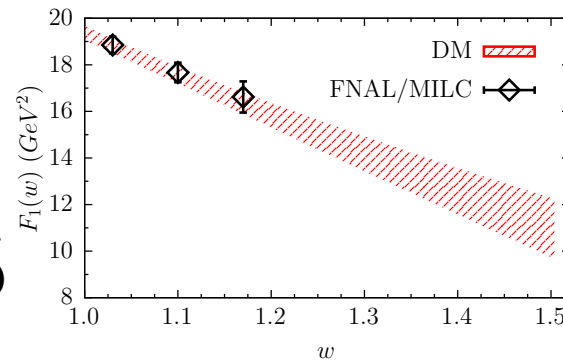
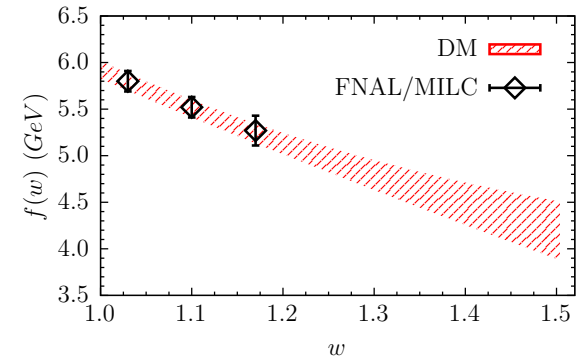
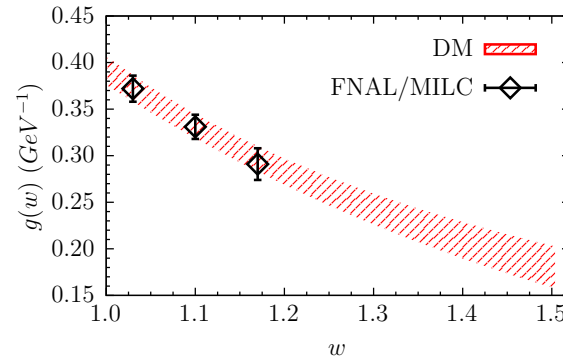
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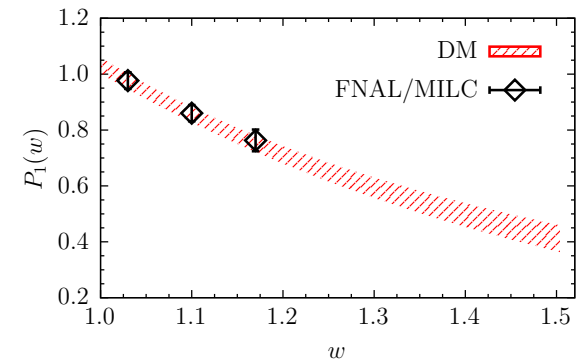
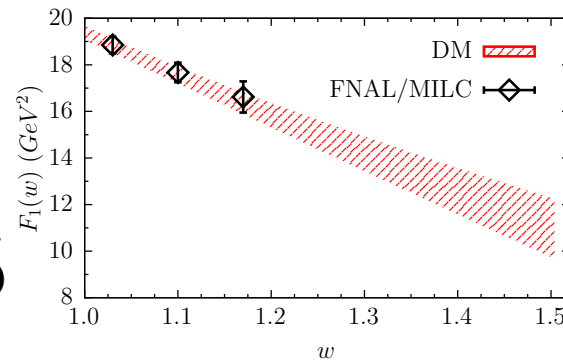
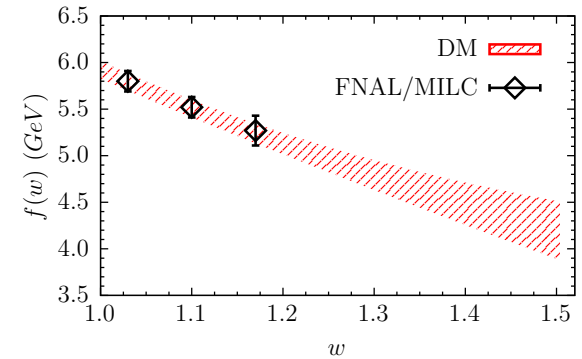
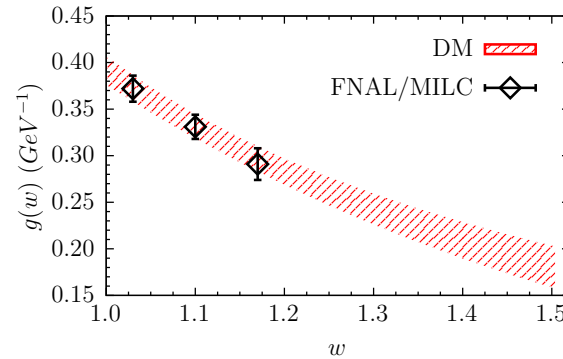
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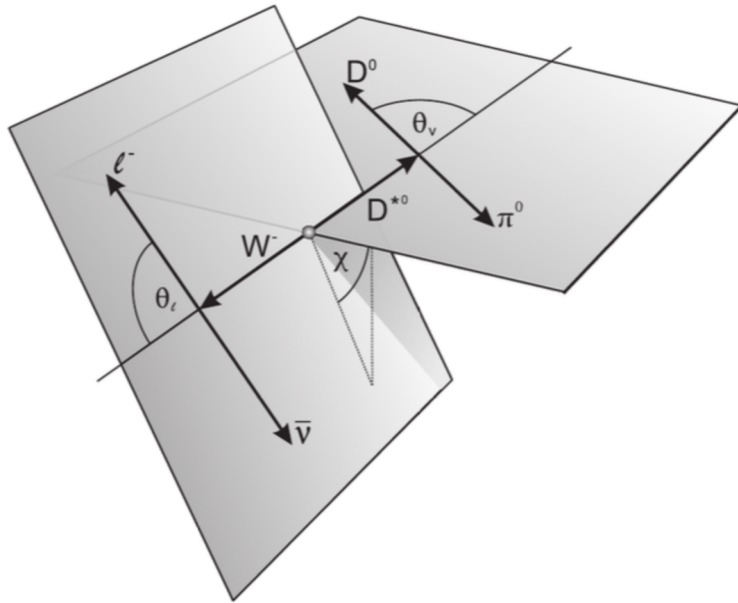
Starting from the FFs bands, we propose to use the experimental data **only** to compute **bin-per-bin estimates of V_{cb}** .

NB: the experimental data do NOT enter in the determination of the bands of the FFs

To do it, it is sufficient to compare the two sets of measurements of the differential decay widths

$$d\Gamma/dx, \quad x = w, \cos \theta_l, \cos \theta_v, \chi$$

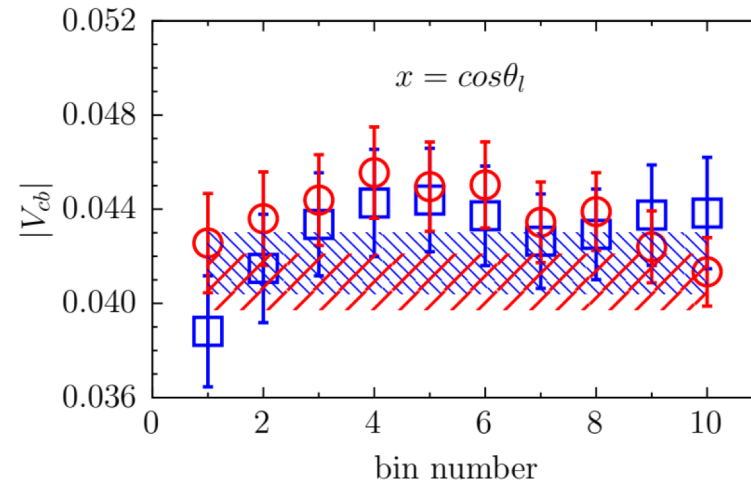
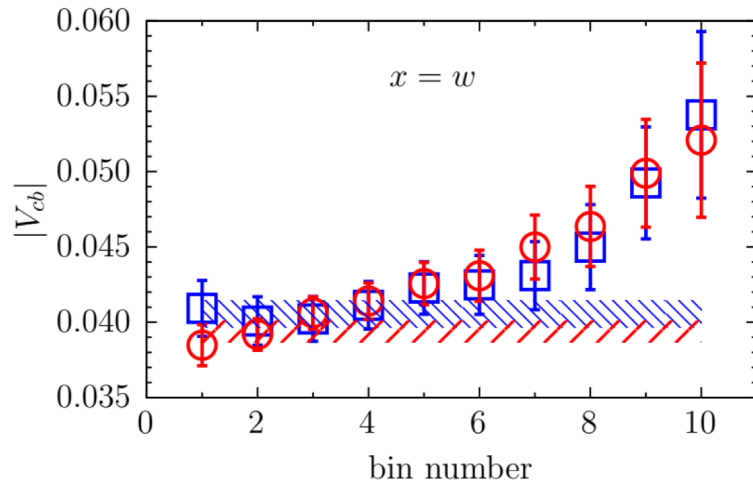
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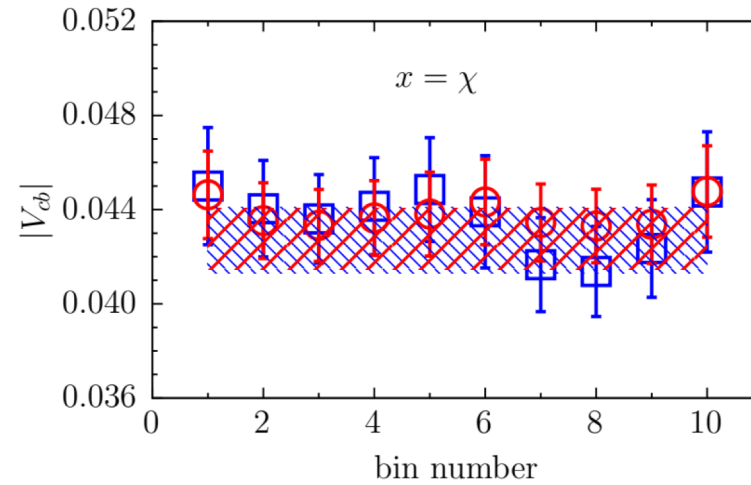
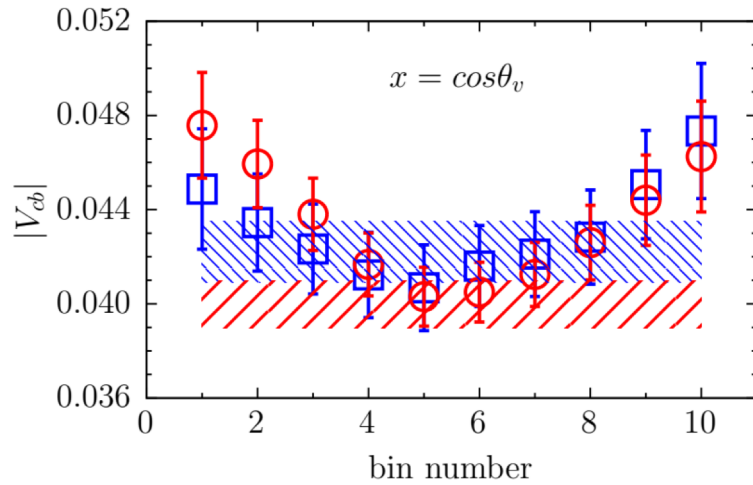
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Exclusive Vcb determination through unitarity



Blue squares:
arXiv:1702.01521



Red points:
arXiv:1809.03290

Exclusive Vcb determination through unitarity

To compute the **final average** of these Vcb estimates:

$$\mu_x = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N x_k,$$

$$\sigma_x^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N \sigma_k^2 + \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N (x_k - \mu_x)^2$$

experiment	$ V_{cb} (x = w)$	$ V_{cb} (x = \cos\theta_l)$	$ V_{cb} (x = \cos\theta_v)$	$ V_{cb} (x = \chi)$
Ref. [14]	0.0405 (9)	0.0417 (13)	0.0422 (13)	0.0427 (14)
$\chi^2/(\text{d.o.f.})$	1.01	0.89	0.66	0.72
Ref. [15]	0.0394 (7)	0.0409 (12)	0.0400 (10)	0.0427 (13)
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MOST IMPORTANT MESSAGE OF THE TALK: we want to *avoid any bias by treating experimental and LQCD data differently in the DM approach to the hadronic FFs*

Final DM estimate

$$|V_{cb}| \times 10^3 = 41.3 \pm 1.7$$

Compatible with the (most recent) inclusive values!

$$|V_{cb}|_{\text{incl}} \times 10^3 = 42.16 \pm 0.50$$

Bordone et al., Phys.Lett.B [2107.00604]

$$|V_{cb}|_{\text{incl}} \times 10^3 = 41.69 \pm 0.63$$

Bernlochner et al., arXiv:2205.10274

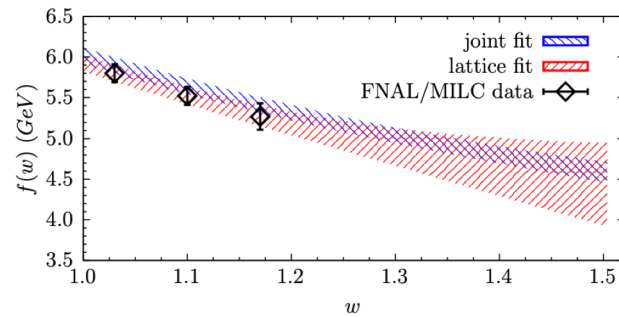
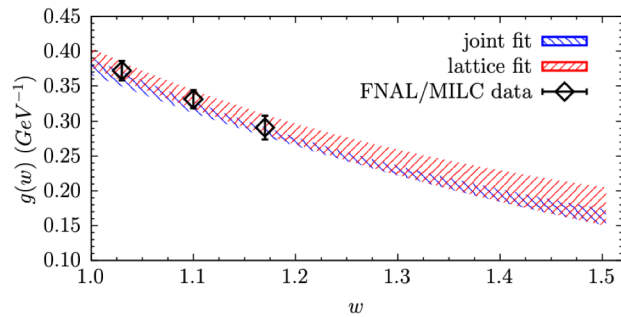
How to deal with experimental data? 2nd possibility

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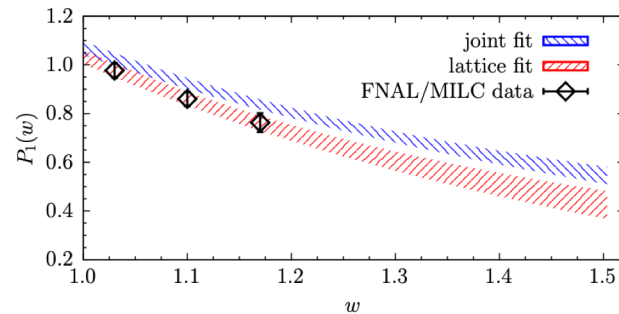
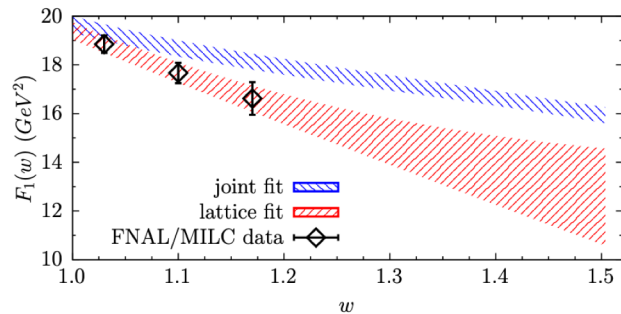


VERY DANGEROUS: in this case, you are trying to fix both the normalization (*i.e.* $|V_{cb}|$) and the slopes of the FFs at the same time...

Let us see this in detail: *let us consider the BGL fits performed by FNAL/MILC Collaborations in arXiv:2105.14019 [hep-lat]*



joint fit:
BGL fit of LQCD points +
Belle + BaBar exp. data
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 $R(D^*) = 0.2483 \pm 0.0013$

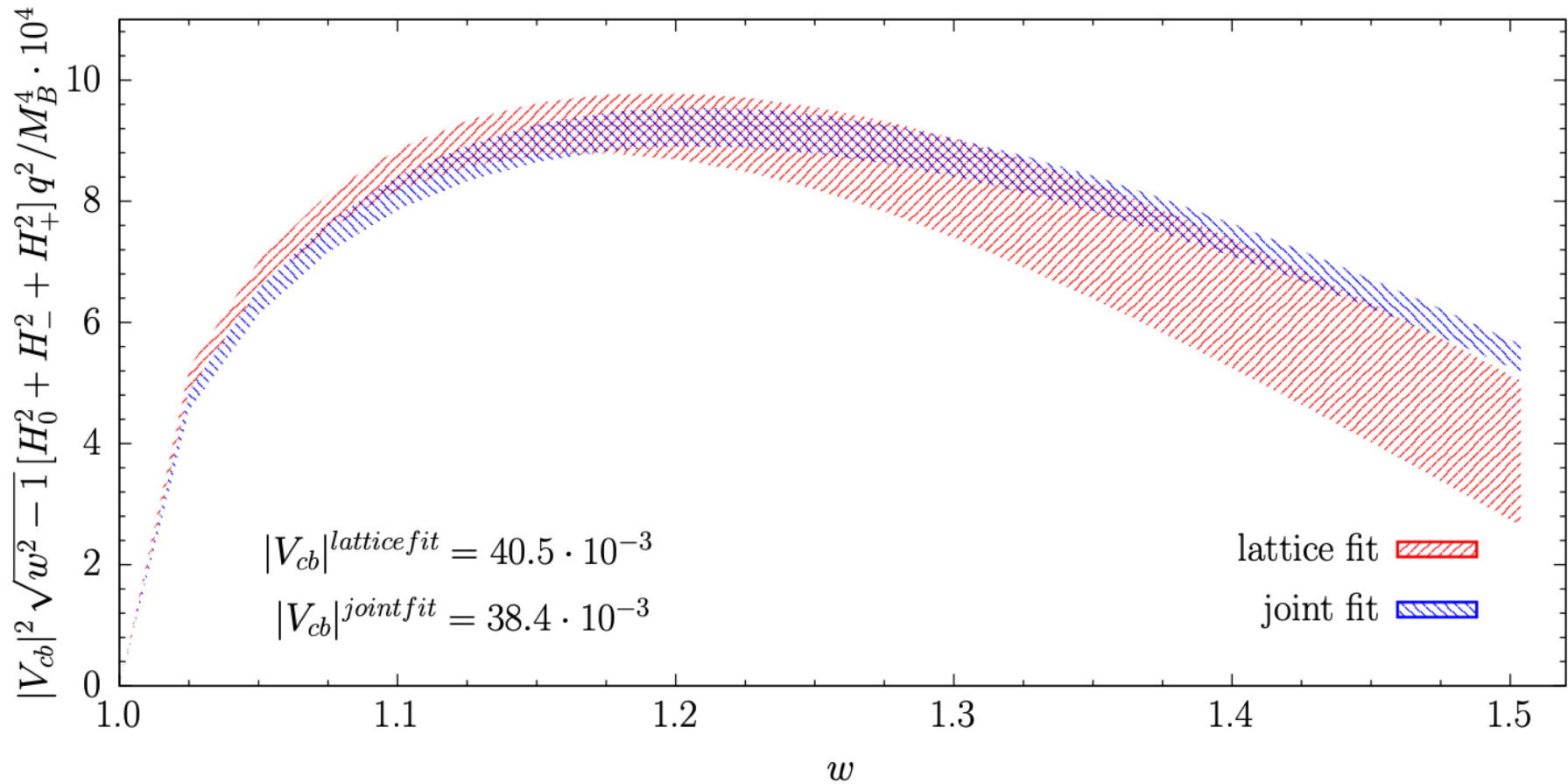


lattice fit:
quadratic BGL fit of LQCD
points only
 $|V_{cb}| > |V_{cb}|^{\text{joint fit}} ?$
 $R(D^*) = 0.265 \pm 0.013$

simultaneous fit of the lattice points and experimental data to determine the shape of the FFs and to extract $|V_{cb}|$

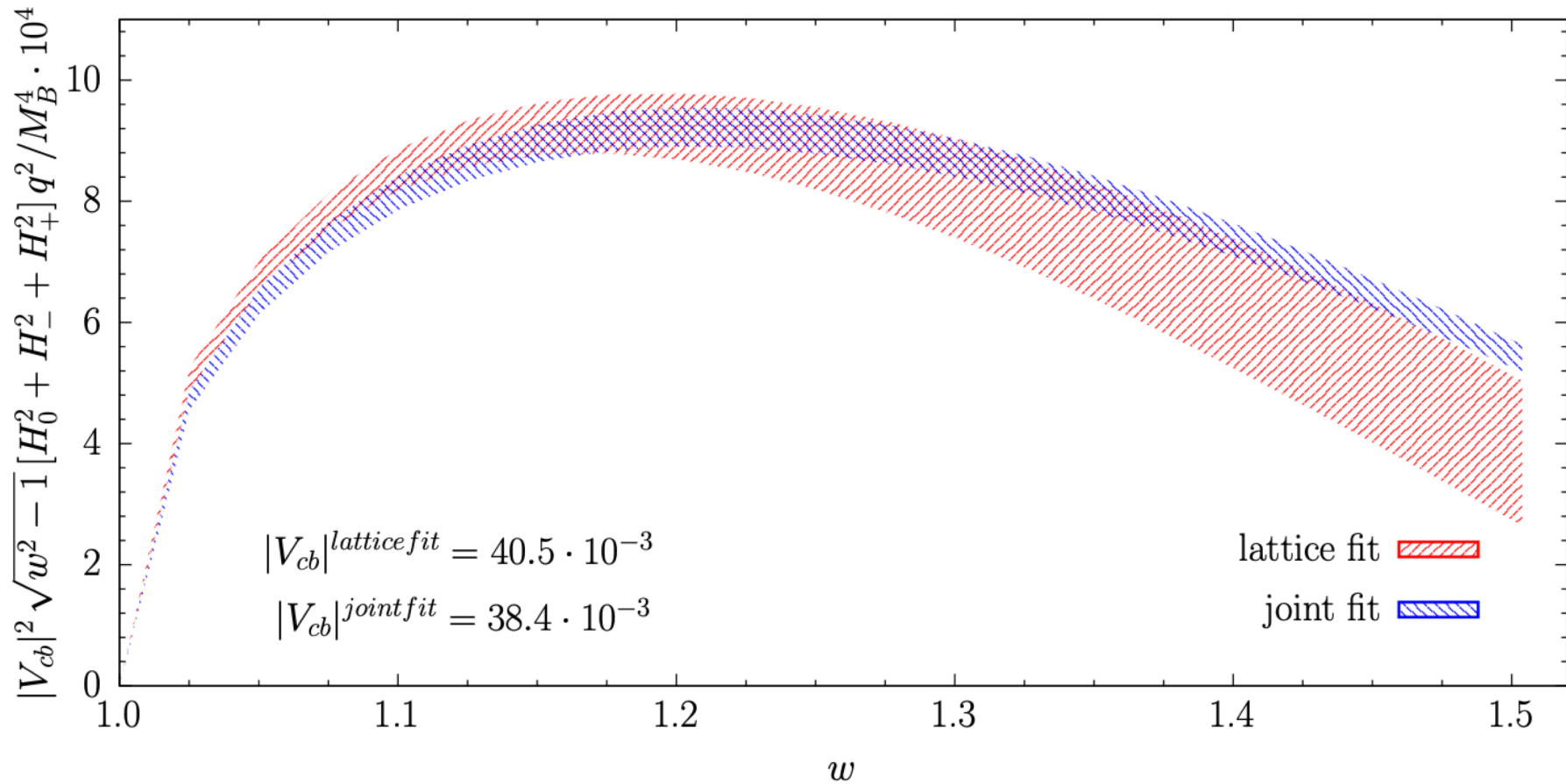
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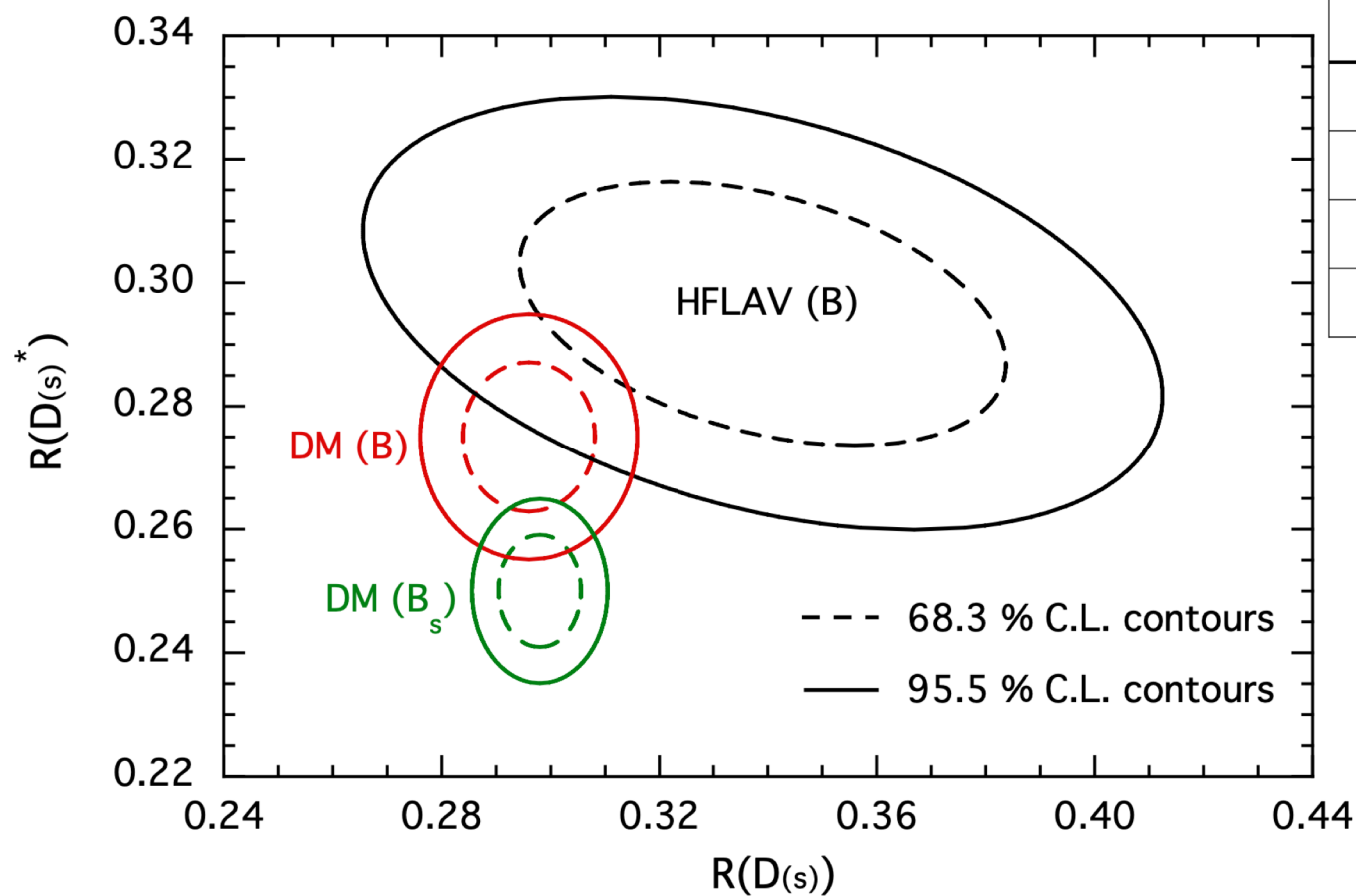


Comparison between the two different analysis strategies

Both the curves reproduce the data!
But they induce *different values of the $(|V_{cb}|, R(D^*))$ couple...*



Summary of all the DM results



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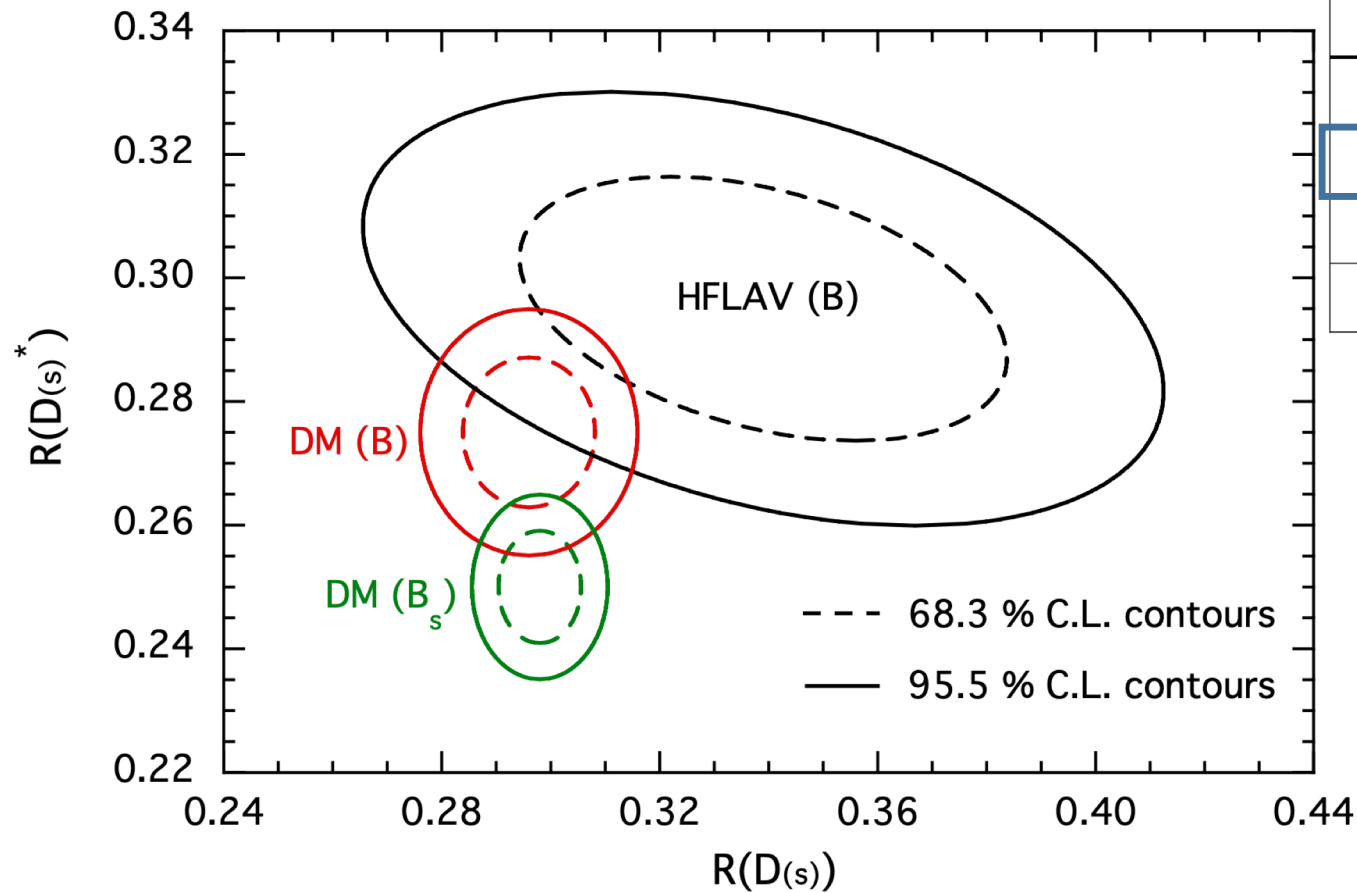
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$B_s \rightarrow D_s^*$ case (**arXiv:2204.05925**)

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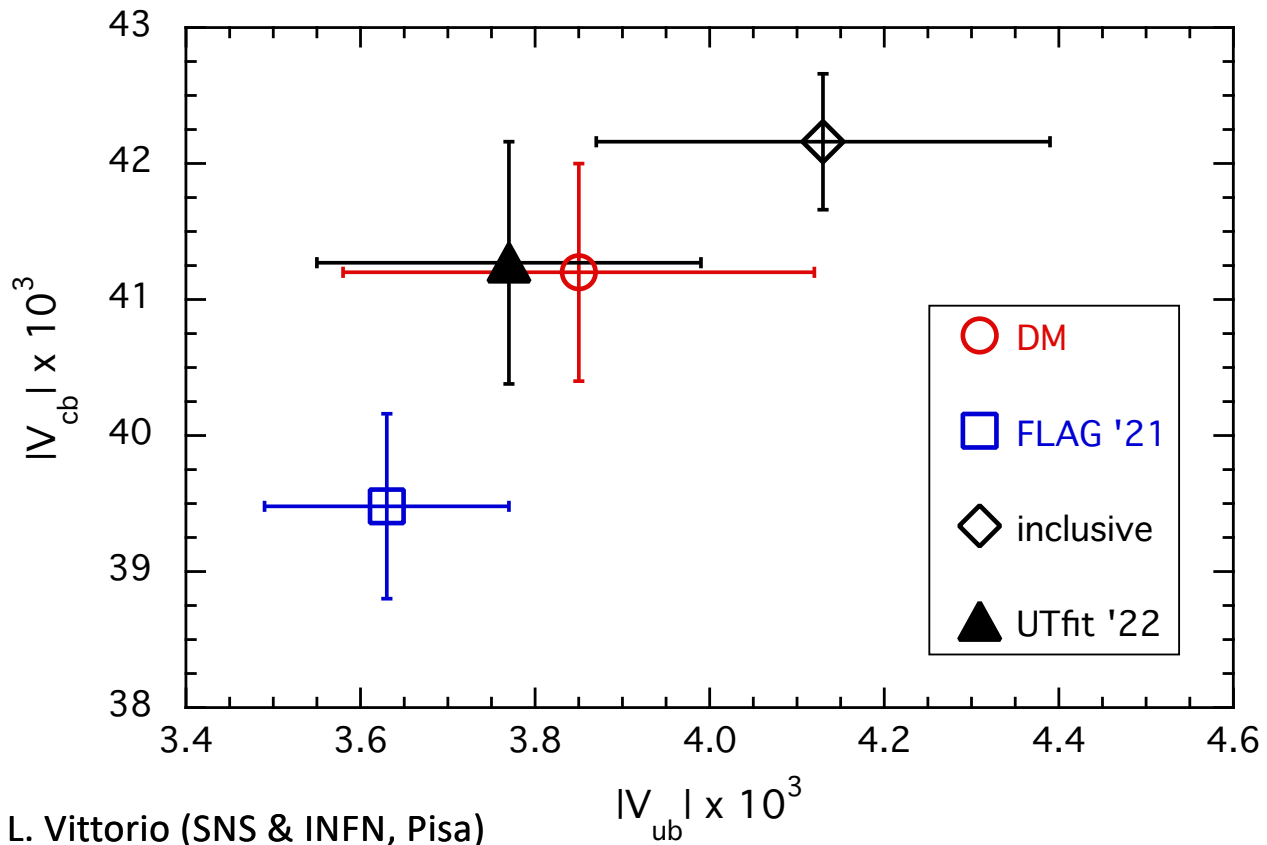
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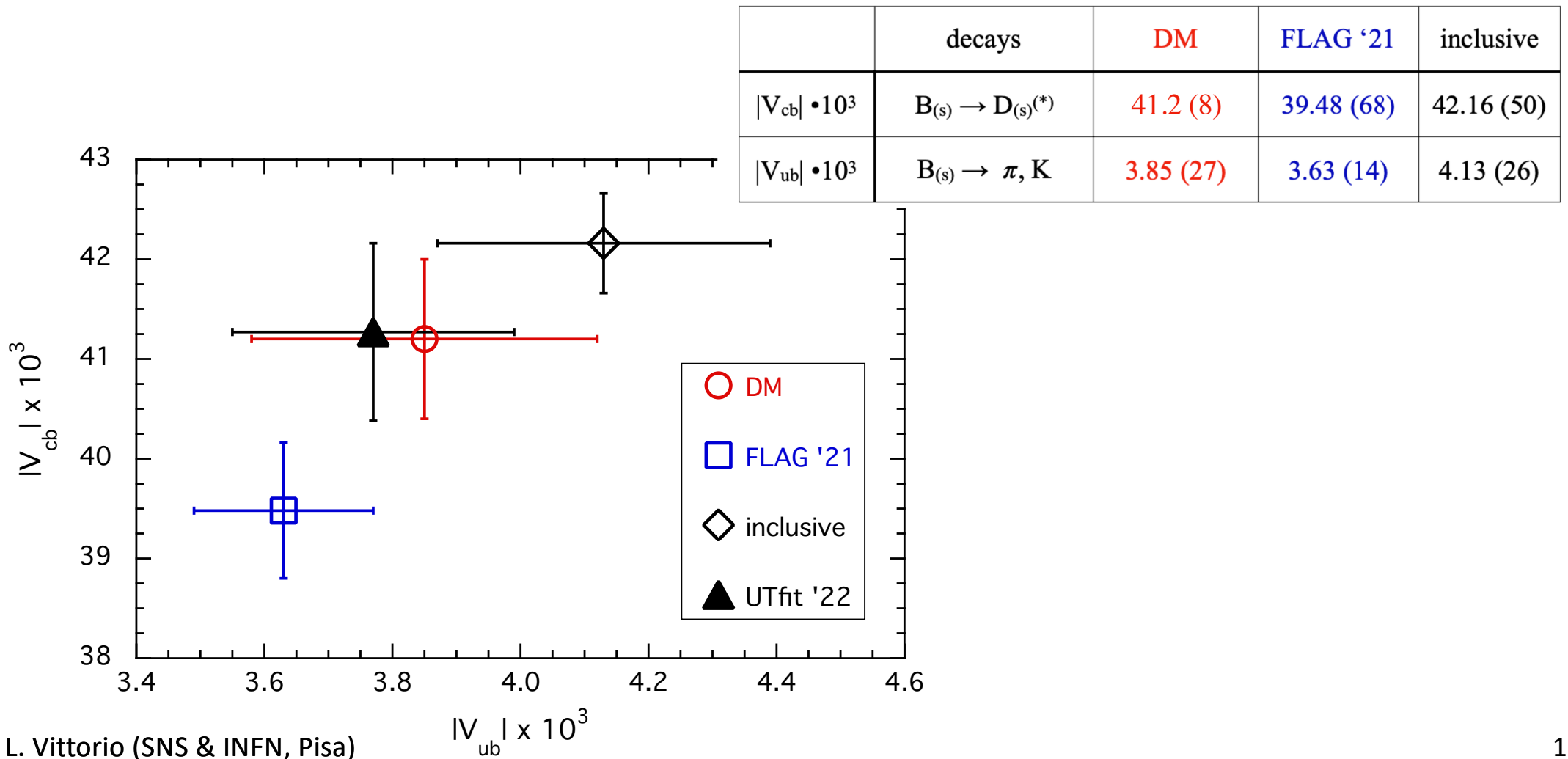
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*For the first time, this
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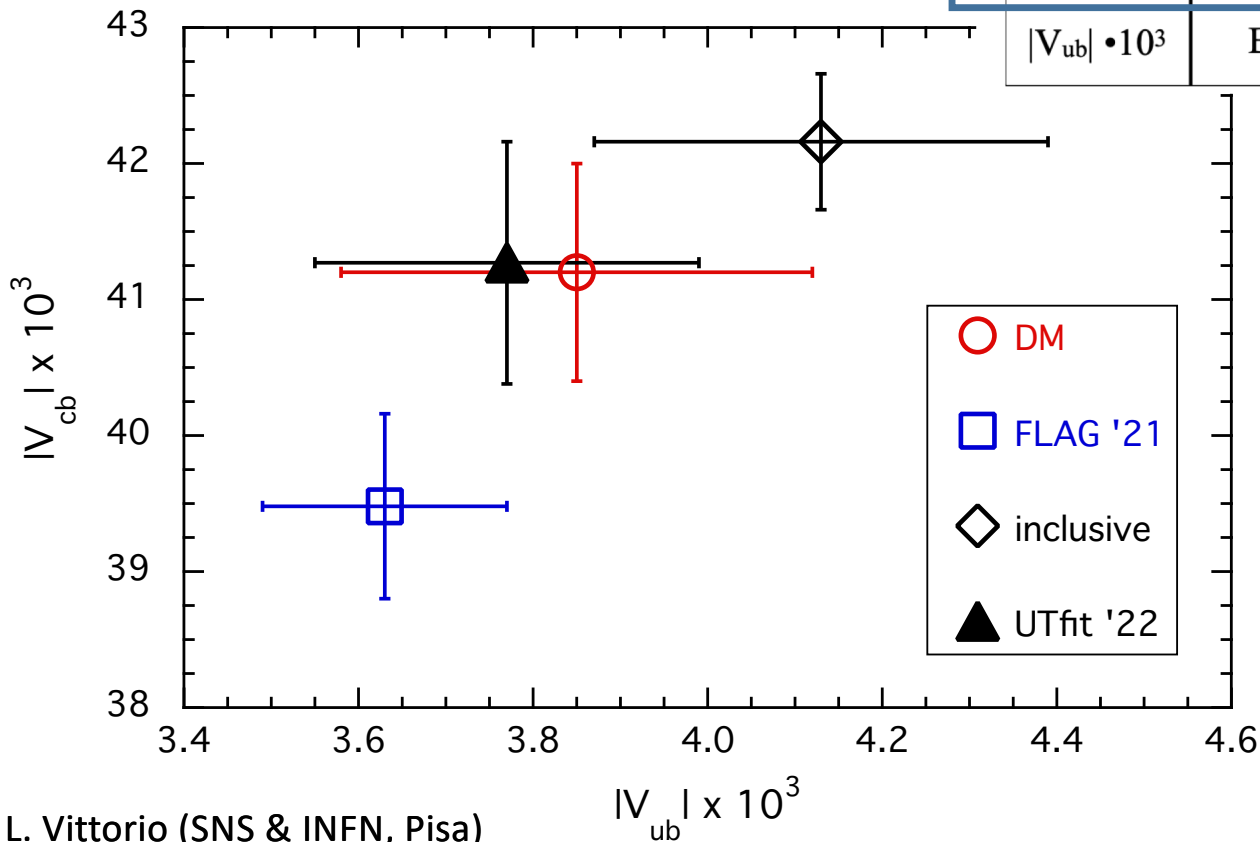


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	decays	DM	FLAG '21	inclusive
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$ V_{ub} \cdot 10^3$	$B_{(s)} \rightarrow \pi, K$	3.85 (27)	3.63 (14)	4.13 (26)



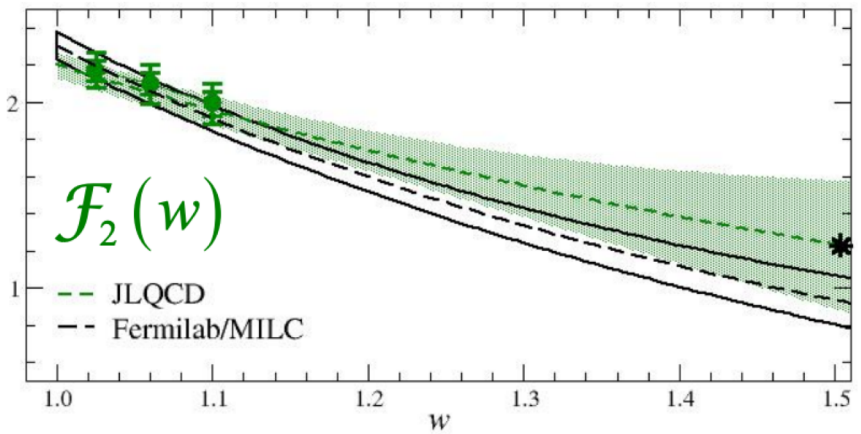
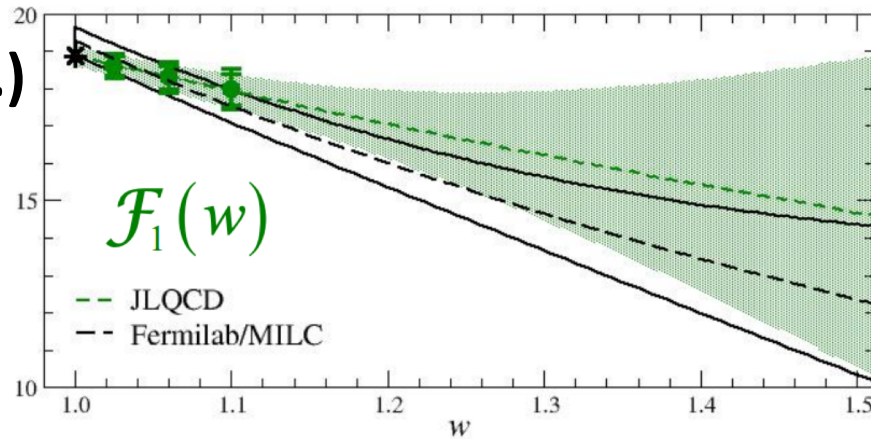
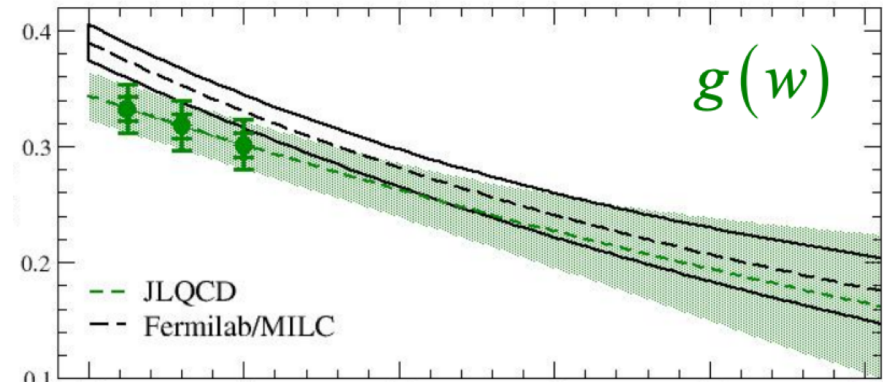
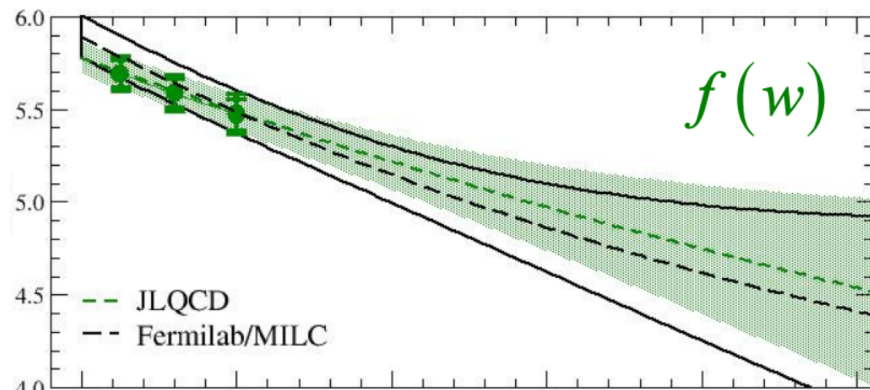
For the first time, there is a very precise *exclusive determination of $|V_{cb}|$* , which is *compatible with the inclusive determination*

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BACK-UP SLIDES

Future perspectives for LQCD data

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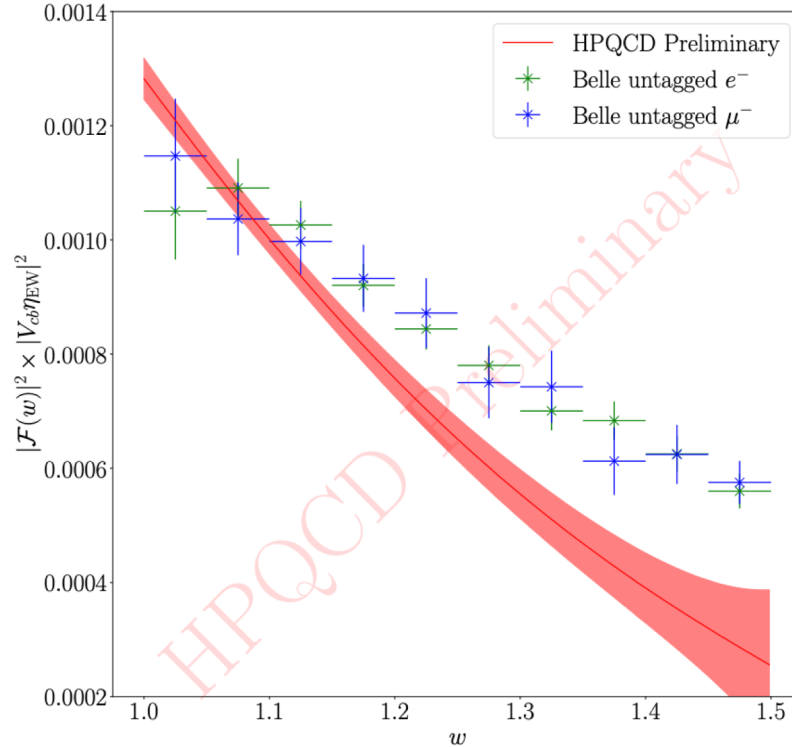


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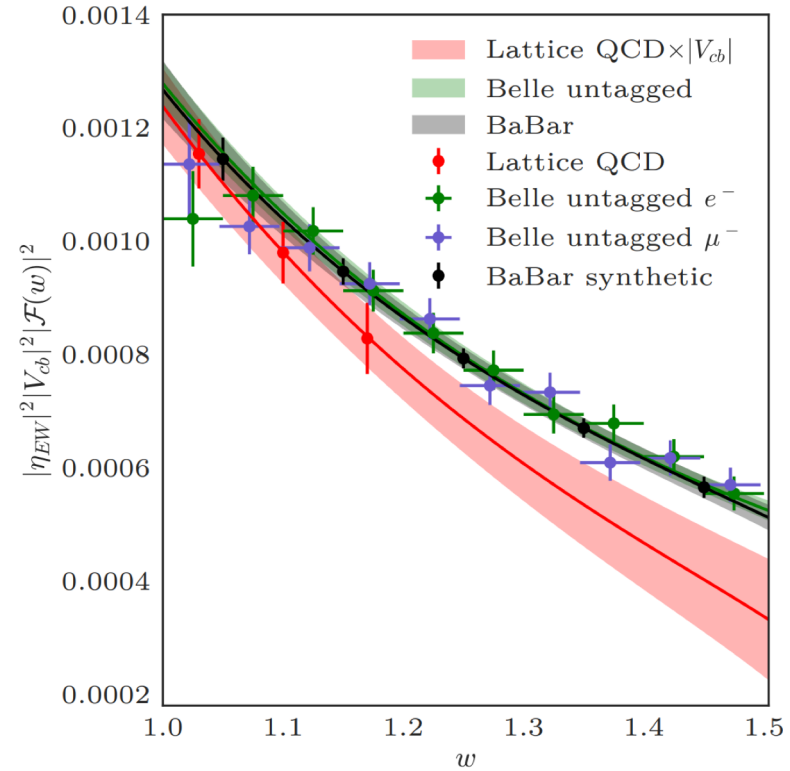
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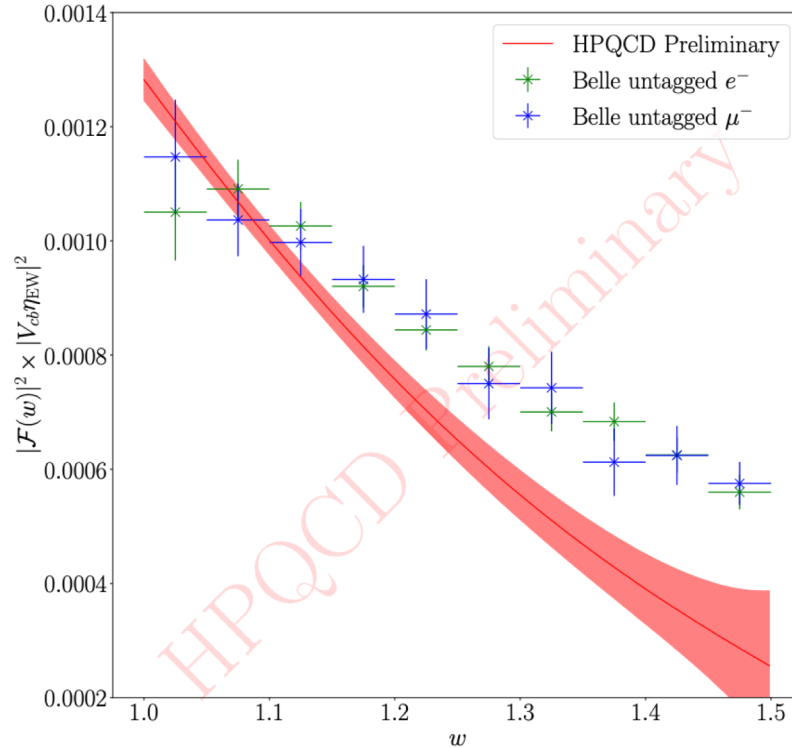


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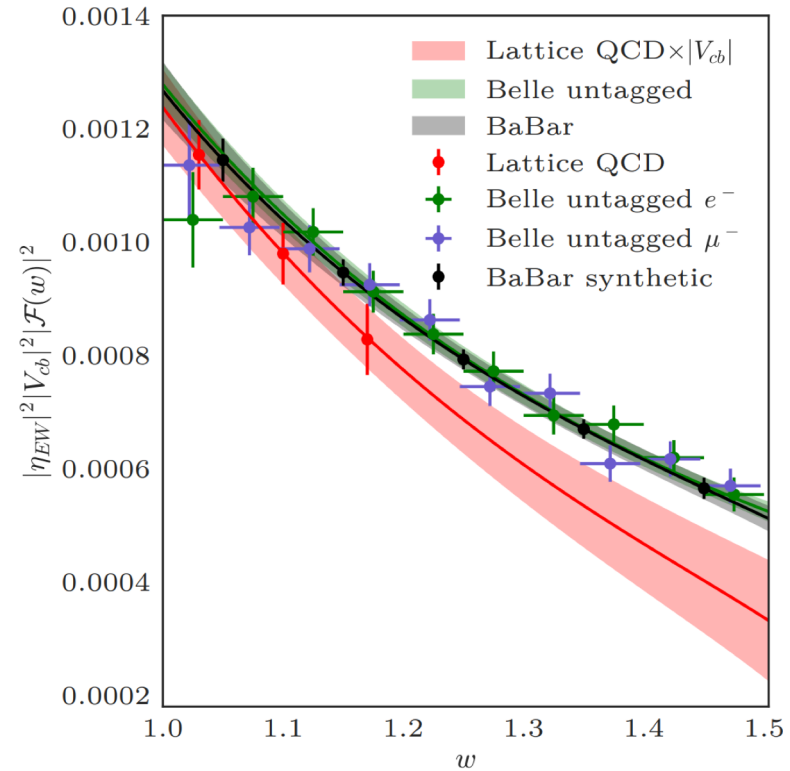
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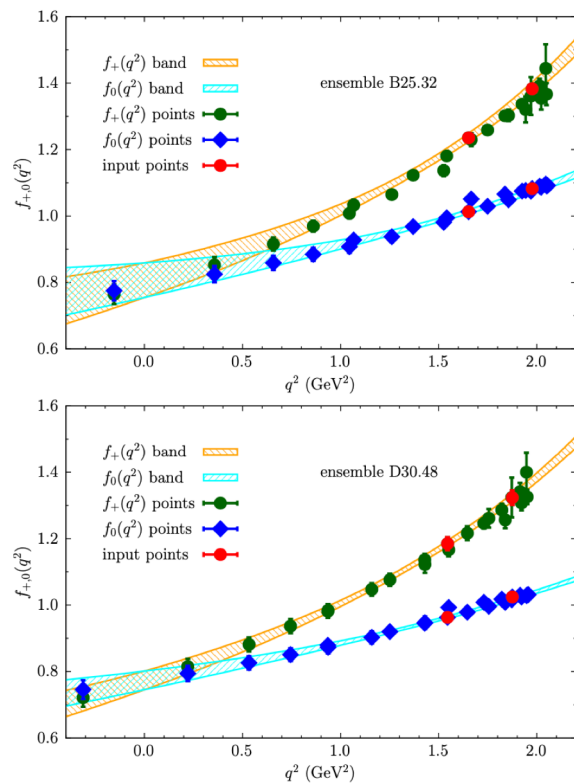
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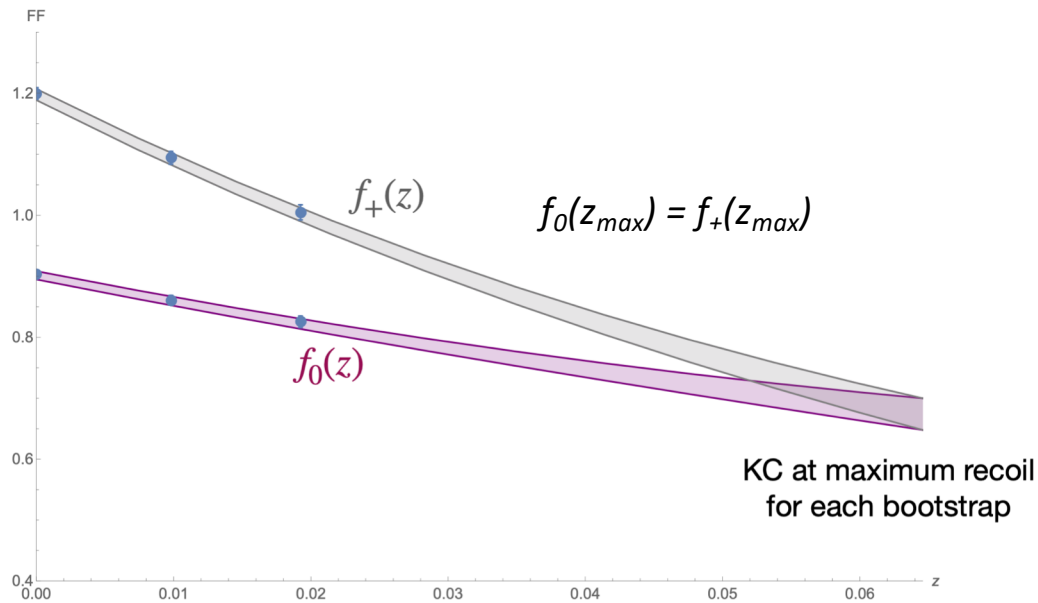
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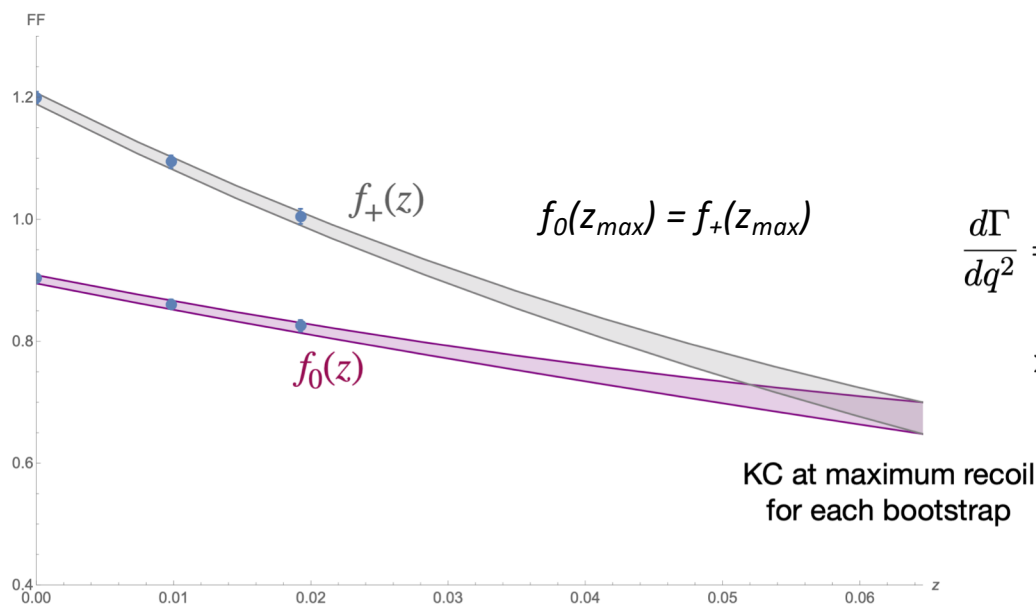
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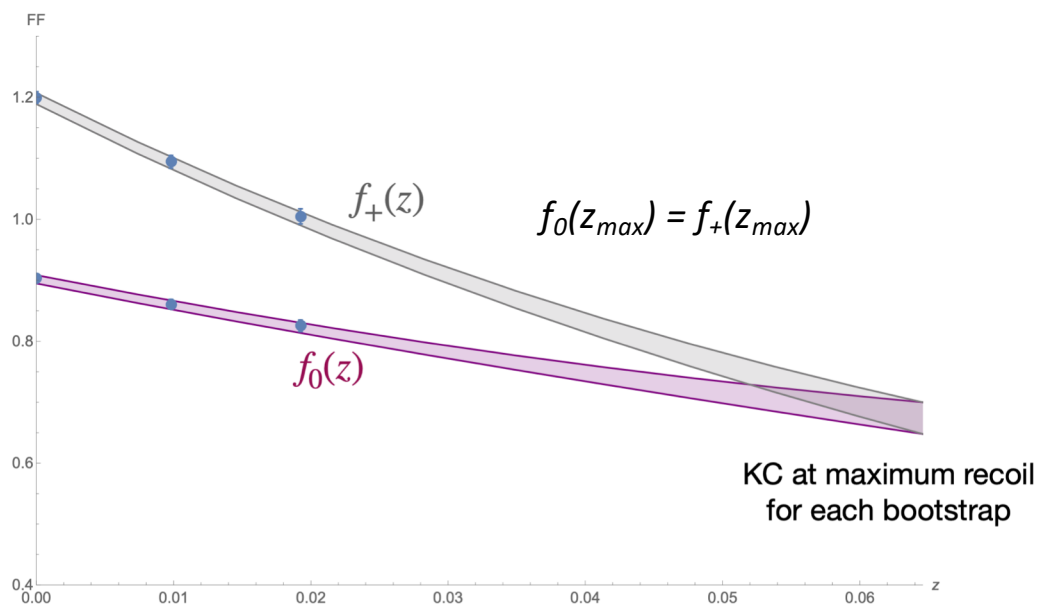
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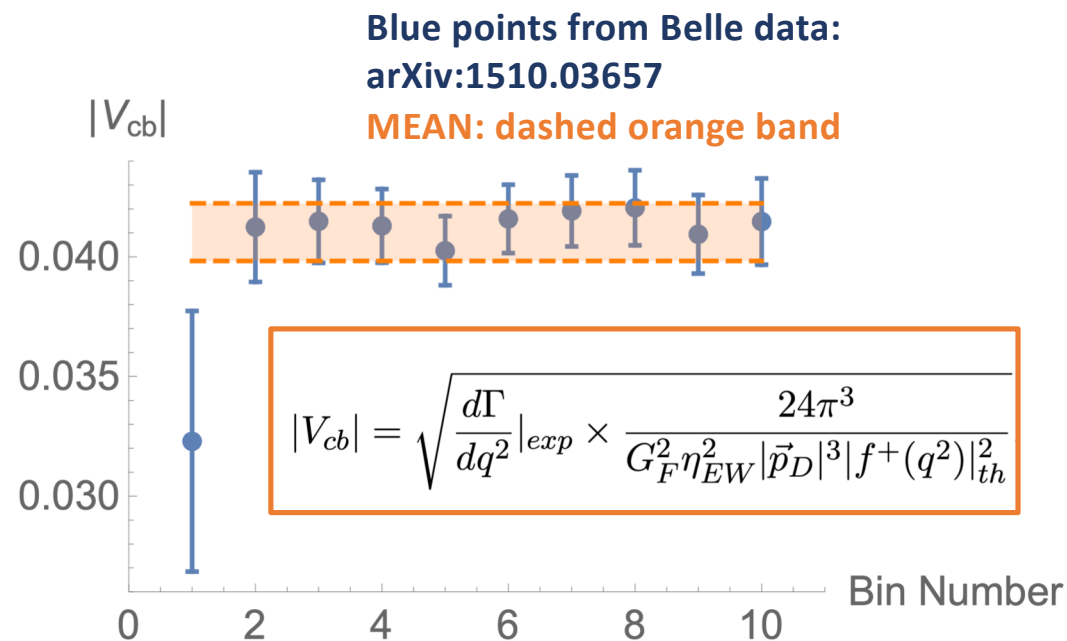
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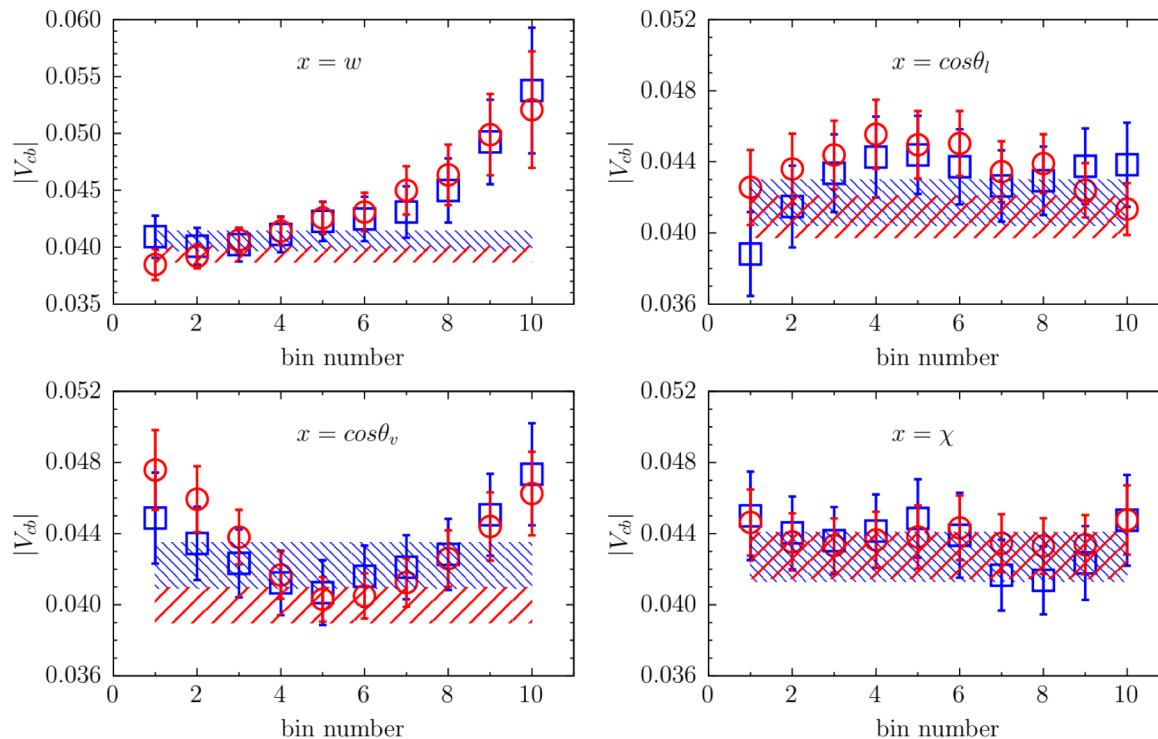


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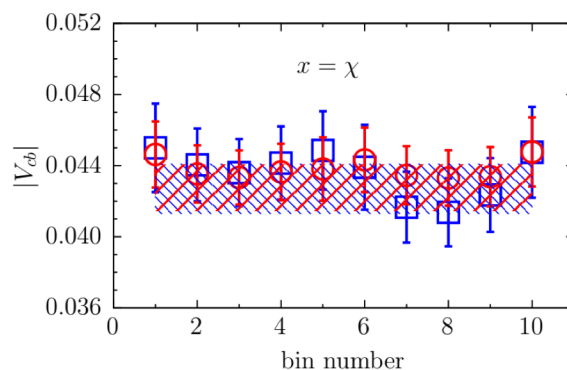
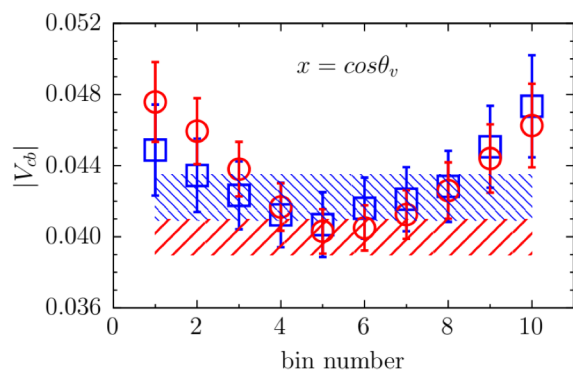
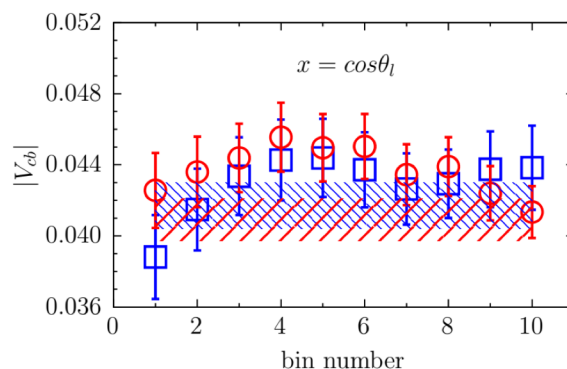
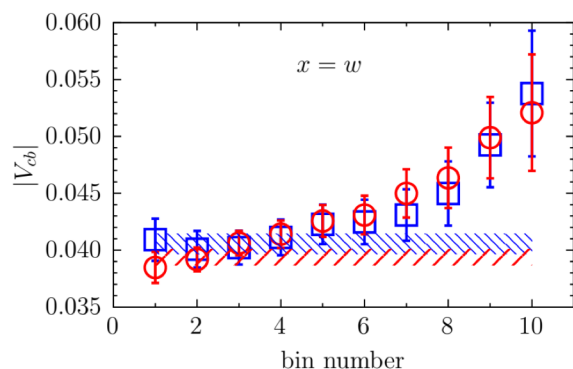
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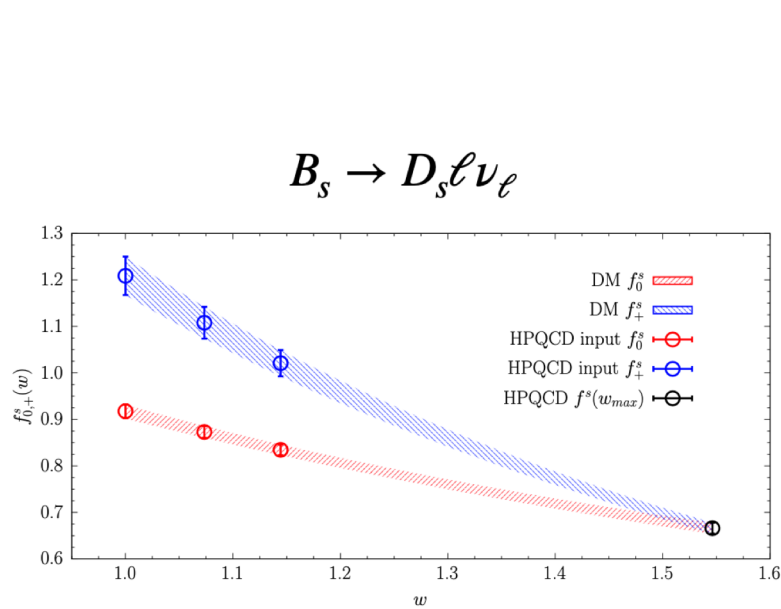
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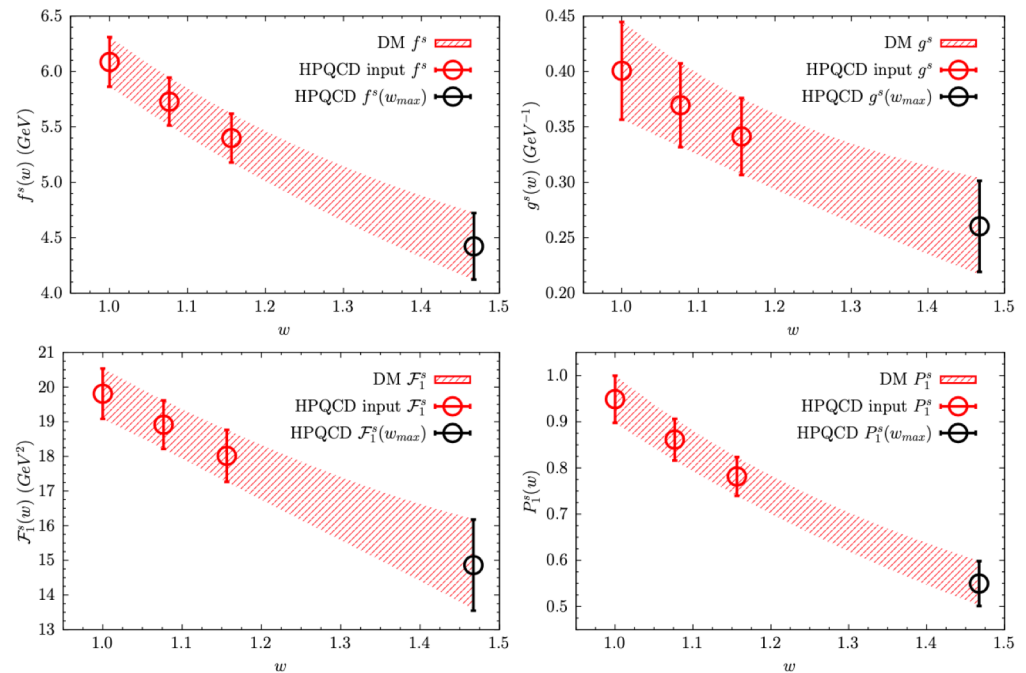
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Without entering in the details of this analysis, phenomenological applications give the results

$$|V_{cb}|^{\text{DM}} \cdot 10^3 = 41.7 \pm 1.9 \quad \text{from } B_s \rightarrow D_s \ell \nu_\ell \text{ decays}$$

$$= 40.7 \pm 2.4 \quad \text{from } B_s \rightarrow D_s^* \ell \nu_\ell \text{ decays}$$

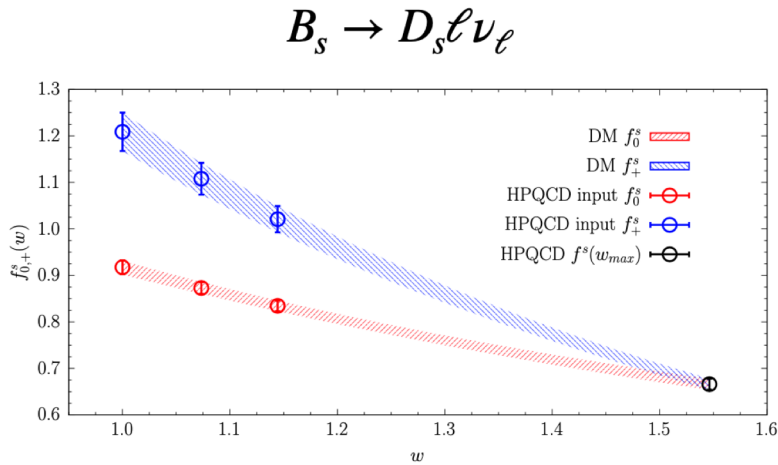
through available expts. data

$$R(D_s) = 0.298 \quad (5)$$

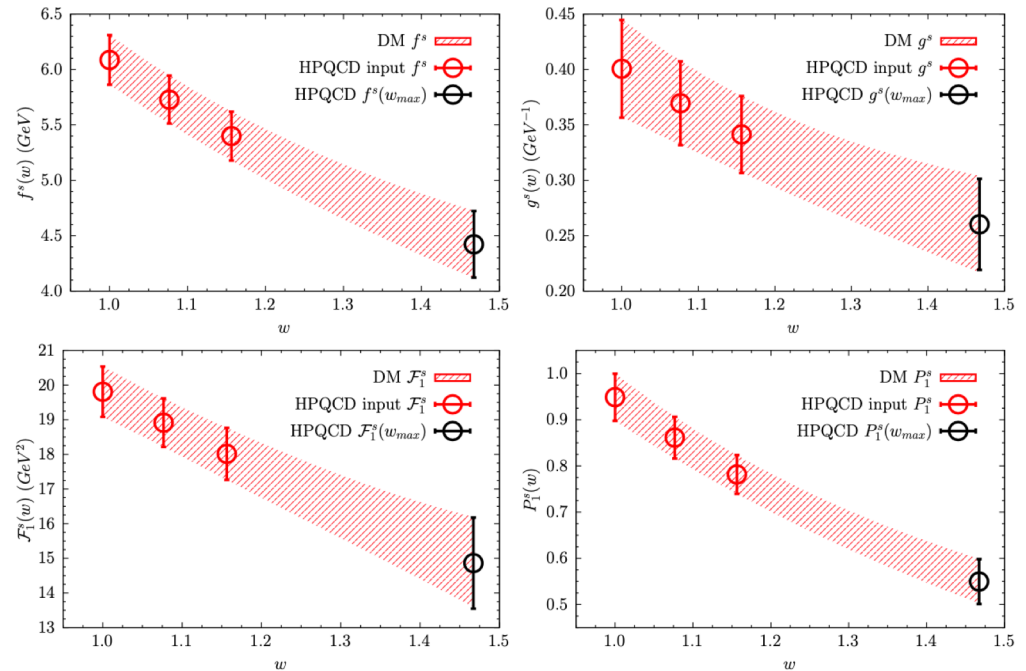
$$R(D_s^*) = 0.250 \quad (6)$$

fully-theoretical

$$B_s \rightarrow D_s^* \ell \nu_\ell$$

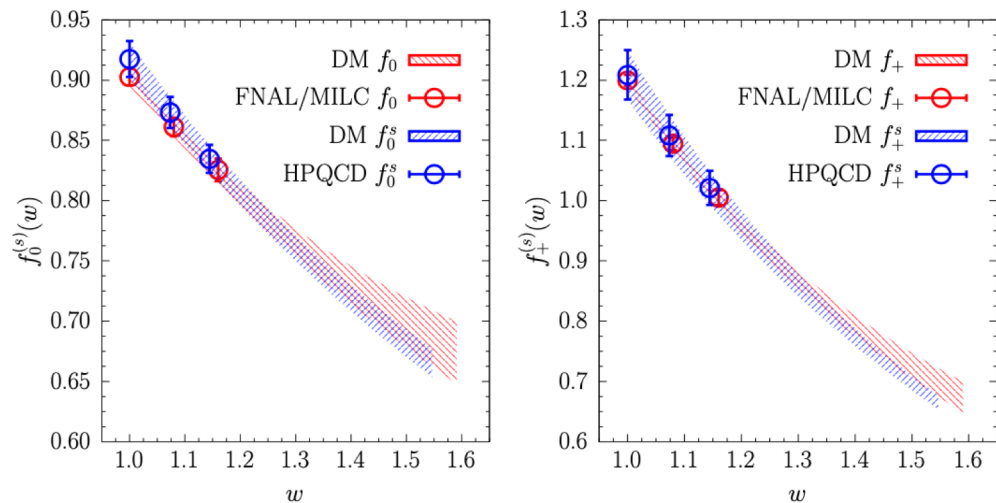


* nice agreement in the whole kinematical range



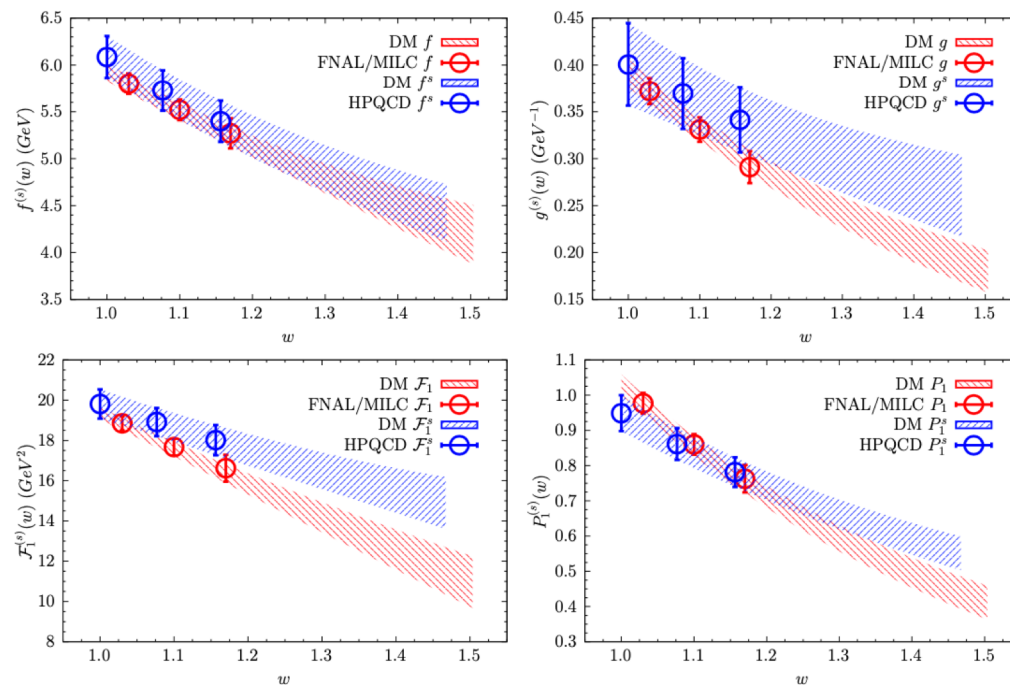
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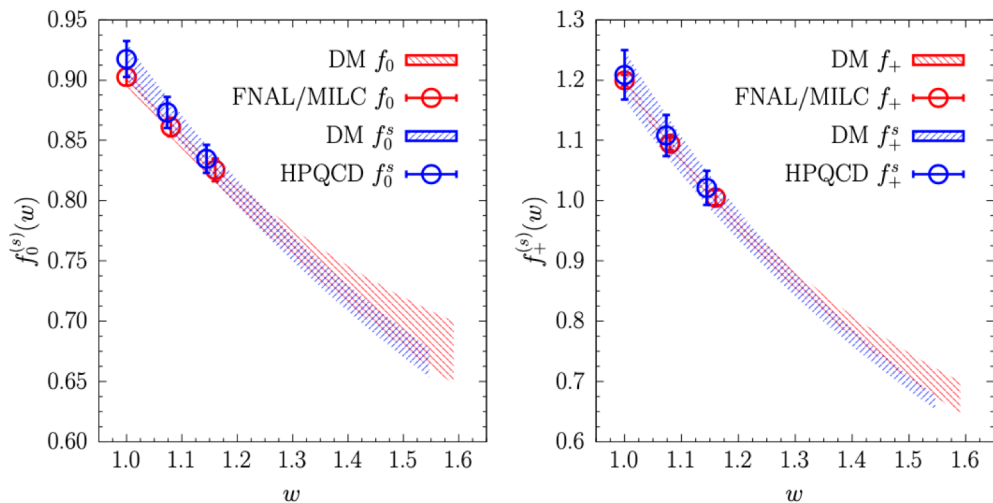
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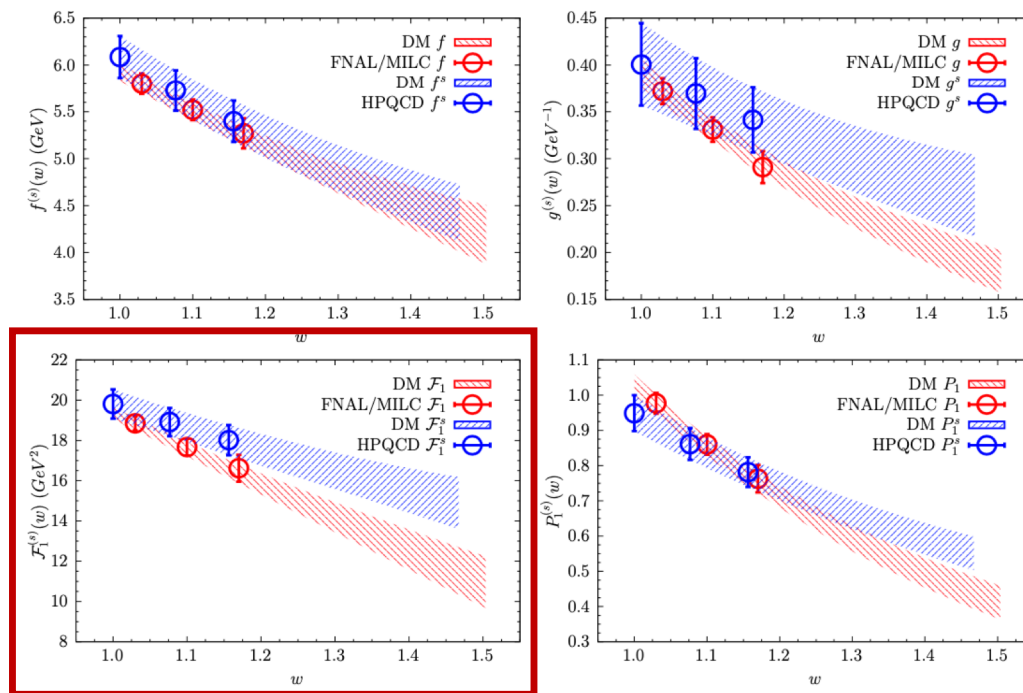
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SU(3)_F symmetry breaking effects?
Interesting question for the future!

The Dispersive Matrix (DM) method

Let us examine the case of the production of a **pseudoscalar** meson (as for the $B \rightarrow D$ case). Supposing to have n LQCD data for the FFs at the quadratic momenta $\{t_1, \dots, t_n\}$ (hereafter $t \equiv q^2$), we define

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle \phi f | \phi f \rangle & \langle \phi f | g_t \rangle & \langle \phi f | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle \phi f | g_{t_n} \rangle \\ \langle g_t | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_t | g_t \rangle & \langle g_t | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_t | g_{t_n} \rangle \\ \langle g_{t_1} | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_{t_1} | g_t \rangle & \langle g_{t_1} | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_{t_1} | g_{t_n} \rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \langle g_{t_n} | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_{t_n} | g_t \rangle & \langle g_{t_n} | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_{t_n} | g_{t_n} \rangle \end{pmatrix} \quad \langle h_1 | h_2 \rangle = \int_{|z|=1} \frac{dz}{2\pi i z} \bar{h}_1(z) h_2(z)$$

$$g_t(z) \equiv \frac{1}{1 - \bar{z}(t)z}$$

CENTRAL REQUIREMENT:

$$\det \mathbf{M} \geq 0$$

The **conformal variable** z is related to the momentum transfer as:

$$z(t) = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{t_+ - t}{t_+ - t_-}} - 1}{\sqrt{\frac{t_+ - t}{t_+ - t_-}} + 1}$$

$$t_{\pm} \equiv (m_B \pm m_D)^2$$



Two advantages:

1. z is real
2. 1-to-1 correspondence:

$$[0, t_{max}=t_-] \Leftrightarrow [z_{max}, 0]$$

A lot of work in the past:

L. Lellouch, NPB, 479 (1996), p. 353-391

C. Bourrely, B. Machet, and E. de Rafael, NPB, 189 (1981), pp. 157 - 181

E. de Rafael and J. Taron, PRD, 50 (1994), p. 373-380

The DM method

We also have to define the **kinematical functions**

$$\phi_0(z, Q^2) = \sqrt{\frac{2n_I}{3}} \sqrt{\frac{3t_+t_-}{4\pi}} \frac{1}{t_+ - t_-} \frac{1+z}{(1-z)^{5/2}} \left(\beta(0) + \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{-2} \left(\beta(-Q^2) + \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{-2},$$

$$\phi_+(z, Q^2) = \sqrt{\frac{2n_I}{3}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi(t_+ - t_-)}} \frac{(1+z)^2}{(1-z)^{9/2}} \left(\beta(0) + \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{-2} \left(\beta(-Q^2) + \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^{-3}, \quad \beta(t) \equiv \sqrt{\frac{t_+ - t}{t_+ - t_-}}$$

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Thus, we need **these external inputs** to implement our method:

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$$\langle g_{t_m} | \phi f \rangle = \phi(t_m, Q^2) f(t_m)$$

LQCD data!

$$\langle g_{t_m} | g_{t_l} \rangle = \frac{1}{1 - \bar{z}(t_l)z(t_m)}$$

- **non-perturbative** values of the **susceptibilities**, since from the dispersion relations (calling Q^2 the Euclidean quadratic momentum)

$$\chi(Q^2) \geq \langle \phi f | \phi f \rangle$$

Since the susceptibilities are computed on the lattice, we can in principle use whatever value of Q^2 !

The DM method

In the presence of **poles @** $t_{P1}, t_{P2}, \dots, t_{PN}$:

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$$\phi(z, q^2) \rightarrow \phi_P(z, q^2) \equiv \phi(z, q^2) \times \frac{z - z(t_{P1})}{1 - \bar{z}(t_{P1})z} \times \cdots \times \frac{z - z(t_{PN})}{1 - \bar{z}(t_{PN})z}$$

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Statistical and systematic uncertainties

How can we finally **combine all the N_U lower and upper bounds** of both the FFs??

One bootstrap event case:

after a single extraction, we have one value of the lower bound f_L and one value of the upper one f_U for each FF. Assuming that the true value of each FF can be **everywhere inside the range $(f_U - f_L)$ with equal probability**, we associate to the FFs a **flat distribution**

$$P(f_{0(+)}) = \frac{1}{f_{U,0(+)} - f_{L,0(+)} } \Theta(f_{0(+)} - f_{L,0(+)}) \Theta(f_{U,0(+)} - f_{0(+)})$$

Many bootstrap events case:

how to **mediate over the whole set of bootstrap events?** Since the lower and the upper bounds of a generic FF are deeply correlated, we will assume a **multivariate Gaussian distribution**:

$$P(f_L, f_U) = \frac{\sqrt{\det \rho}}{2\pi} \exp \left[-\frac{\rho_{up,up}(f_U - \langle f_U \rangle)^2 + \rho_{lo,lo}(f_L - \langle f_L \rangle)^2 + 2\rho_{lo,up}(f_U - \langle f_U \rangle)(f_L - \langle f_L \rangle)}{2} \right]$$

In conclusion, we can **combine the bounds of each FF in a final mean value and a final standard deviation**, defined as

$$\langle f \rangle = \frac{\langle f_L \rangle + \langle f_U \rangle}{2},$$

NO
PARAMETRIZATION
ADOPTED!!!

$$\sigma_f = \frac{1}{12} (\langle f_U \rangle - \langle f_L \rangle)^2 + \frac{1}{3} (\sigma_{f_{lo}}^2 + \sigma_{f_{up}}^2 + \rho_{lo,up} \sigma_{f_{lo}} \sigma_{f_{up}})$$

Kinematical Constraints (KCs)

REMINDER: after the **unitarity filter** we were left with $N_U < N$ *survived events!!!*

Let us focus on the **pseudoscalar case**. Since by construction the following *kinematical constraint* holds

$$f_0(0) = f_+(0)$$

we will filter only the $N_{KC} < N_U$ *events* for which the two bands of the FFs intersect each other @ $t = 0$.
Namely, for each of these events we also define

$$\phi_{lo} = \max[F_{+,lo}(t = 0), F_{0,lo}(t = 0)]$$

$$\phi_{up} = \min[F_{+,up}(t = 0), F_{0,up}(t = 0)]$$

From WE theorem

$$\langle D(p_D) | V^\mu | B(p_B) \rangle = f_+(p_B + p_D)^\mu + f_-(p_B - p_D)^\mu$$

One then defines

$$f_0(q^2) = f_+(q^2) + \frac{q^2}{m_B^2 - m_D^2} f_-(q^2)$$

$$\langle D(p_D) | V^\mu | B(p_B) \rangle = f^+(q^2) \left(p_B^\mu + p_D^\mu - \frac{m_B^2 - m_D^2}{q^2} q^\mu \right) + f^0(q^2) \frac{m_B^2 - m_D^2}{q^2} q^\mu$$

Kinematical Constraints (KCs)

We then consider a **modified matrix**

$$\mathbf{M}_C = \begin{pmatrix} \langle \phi f | \phi f \rangle & \langle \phi f | g_t \rangle & \langle \phi f | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle \phi f | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle \phi f | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \\ \langle g_t | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_t | g_t \rangle & \langle g_t | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_t | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle g_t | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \\ \langle g_{t_1} | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_{t_1} | g_t \rangle & \langle g_{t_1} | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_{t_1} | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle g_{t_1} | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \langle g_{t_n} | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_{t_n} | g_t \rangle & \langle g_{t_n} | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_{t_n} | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle g_{t_n} | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \\ \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | \phi f \rangle & \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | g_t \rangle & \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | g_{t_1} \rangle & \cdots & \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | g_{t_n} \rangle & \langle g_{t_{n+1}} | g_{t_{n+1}} \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

with $t_{n+1} = 0$. Hence, we compute the new lower and upper bounds of the FFs in this way. For each of the N_{KC} events, we extract $N_{KC,2}$ values of $f_0(0) = f_+(0) \equiv f(0)$ with uniform distribution defined in the range $[\phi_{lo}, \phi_{up}]$. Thus, for both the FFs and for each of the N_{KC} events we define

$$F_{lo}(t) = \min[F_{lo}^1(t), F_{lo}^2(t), \cdots, F_{lo}^{N_{KC},2}(t)],$$

$$F_{up}(t) = \max[F_{up}^1(t), F_{up}^2(t), \cdots, F_{up}^{N_{KC},2}(t)]$$

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Non-perturbative computation of the susceptibilities

The possibility to compute the χ s on the lattice allows us to choose *whatever value of Q^2 !!!!* (i.e. *near* the region of production of the resonances)



NOT POSSIBLE IN PERTURBATION THEORY!!!
 $(m_b + m_c)\Lambda_{QCD} \ll (m_b + m_c)^2 - q^2$

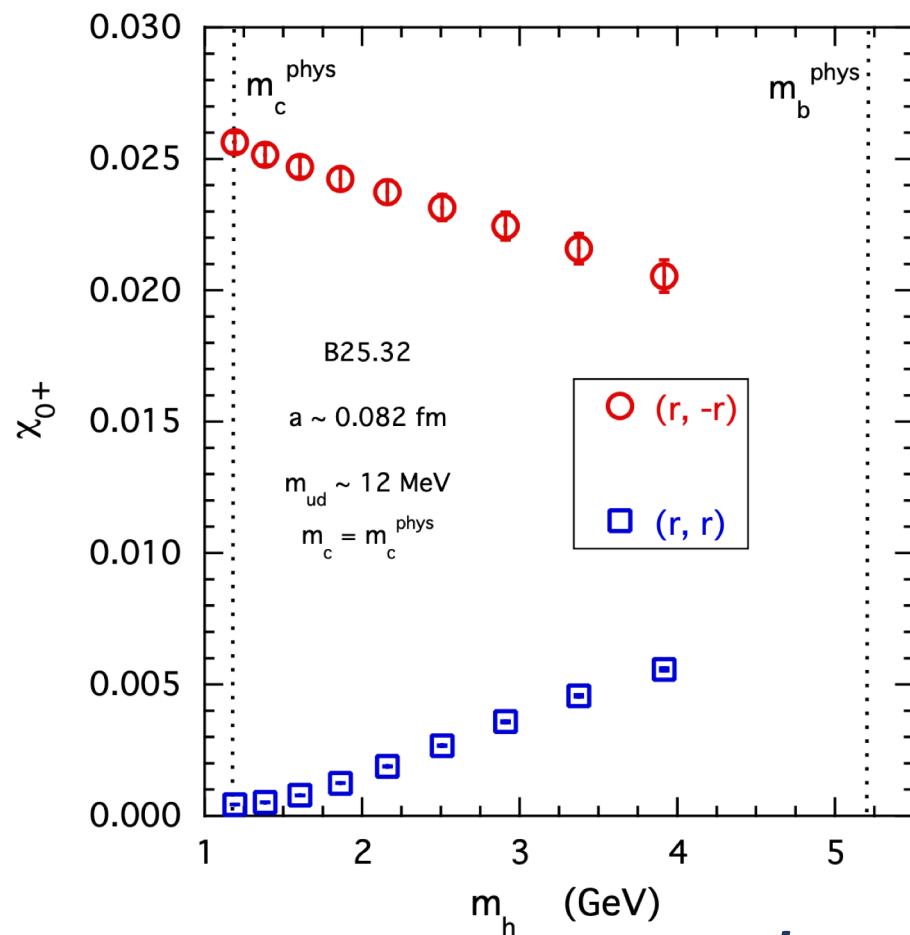
POSSIBLE IMPROVEMENT IN THE STUDY OF THE FFs through our method!

Work in progress...

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Non-perturbative computation of the susceptibilities



Following set of masses:

$$m_h(n) = \lambda^{n-1} m_c^{phys} \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$m_h = a\mu_h / (Z_P a)$$

$$\lambda \equiv [m_b^{phys} / m_c^{phys}]^{1/10} = [5.198 / 1.176]^{1/10} \simeq 1.1602$$

Nine masses values!

$$m_h(1) = m_c^{phys}$$

$$m_h(9) \simeq 3.9 \text{ GeV} \simeq 0.75 m_b^{phys}$$

r: Wilson parameter

Large discretisation effects and contact terms

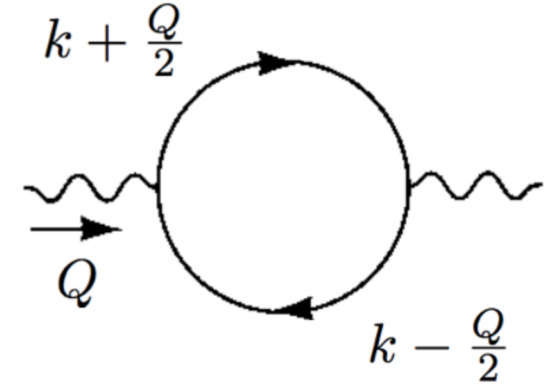
Contact terms & perturbative subtraction

In **twisted mass LQCD**:

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$$G_i(p) = \frac{-i\gamma_\mu \hat{p}_\mu + \mathcal{M}_i(p) - ir_i \mu_{q,i} \gamma_5}{\hat{p}_\mu^2 + \mathcal{M}_i^2(p) + \mu_{q,i}^2}$$

$$\hat{p}_\mu \equiv \frac{1}{a} \sin(ap_\mu), \quad \mathcal{M}_i(p) \equiv m_i + \frac{r_i}{2} a \hat{p}_\mu^2, \quad \hat{p} \equiv \frac{2}{a} \sin\left(\frac{ap_\mu}{2}\right).$$



$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_V^{\alpha\beta} = & a^{-2} (Z_1^I + (r_1^2 - r_2^2) Z_2^I + (r_1^2 - r_2^2)(r_1^2 + r_2^2) Z_3^I) g^{\alpha\beta} \\ & + (\mu_1^2 Z^{\mu_1^2} + \mu_2^2 Z^{\mu_2^2} + \mu_1 \mu_2 Z^{\mu_1 \mu_2}) g^{\alpha\beta} + (Z_1^{Q^2} + (r_1^2 - r_2^2) Z_2^{Q^2}) Q \cdot Q g^{\alpha\beta} \\ & + (Z_1^{Q^\alpha Q^\beta} + (r_1^2 - r_2^2) Z_2^{Q^\alpha Q^\beta}) Q^\alpha Q^\beta + r_1 r_2 (a^{-2} Z_1^{r_1 r_2} g^{\alpha\beta} + (Z_2^{r_1 r_2} + (r_1^2 + r_2^2) Z_3^{r_1 r_2} \\ & + (r_1^4 + r_2^4) Z_4^{r_1 r_2}) \boxed{Q \cdot Q} g^{\alpha\beta} + (\mu_1^2 Z_5^{r_1 r_2} + \mu_2^2 Z_6^{r_1 r_2}) g^{\alpha\beta}) + O(a^2), \end{aligned}$$

CONTACT TERMS!!!

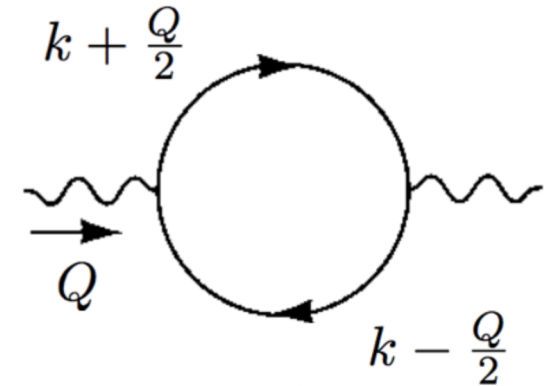
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Thus, by separating the *longitudinal* and the *transverse* contributions, we can compute the **susceptibilities for all the spin-parity quantum numbers in the free theory on the lattice**, i.e. at order $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0)$ using twisted-mass fermions!



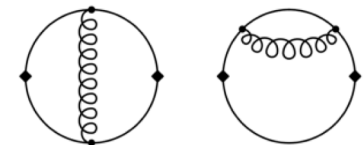
$$\chi_j^{free} = \chi_j^{LO} + \chi_j^{discr}$$

LO term of PT @ $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0)$ contact terms and discretization effects @ $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^0 a^m)$ with $m \geq 0$

Perturbative subtraction:

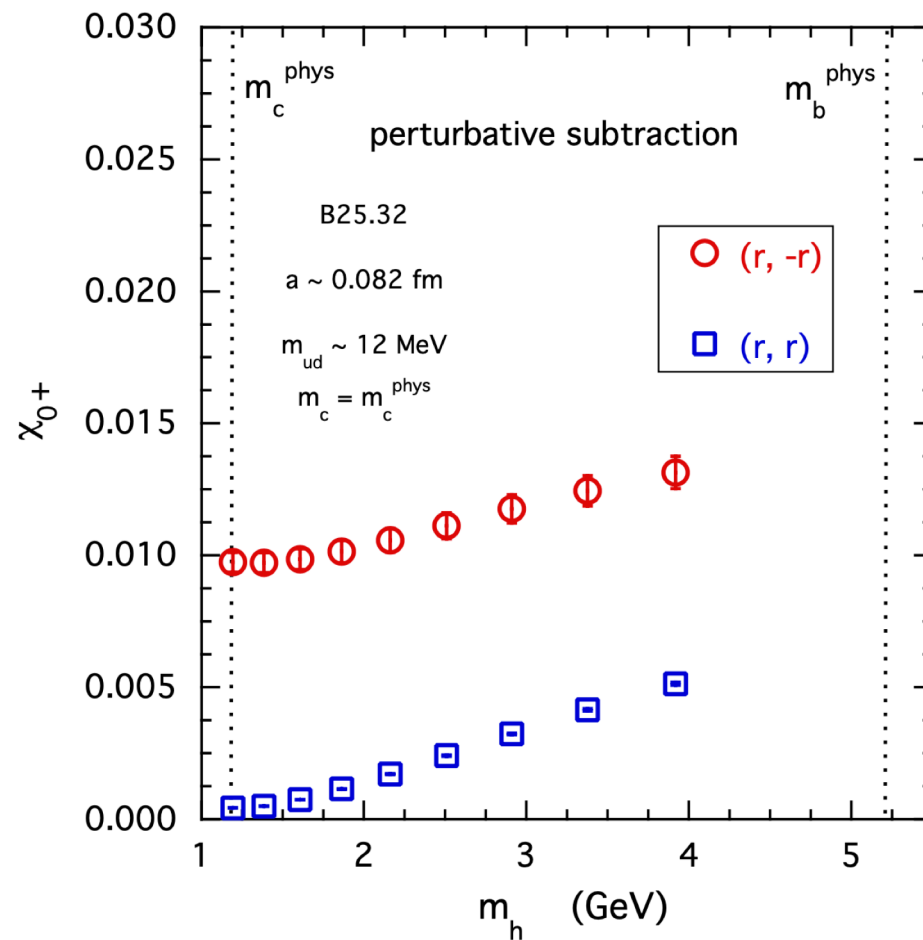
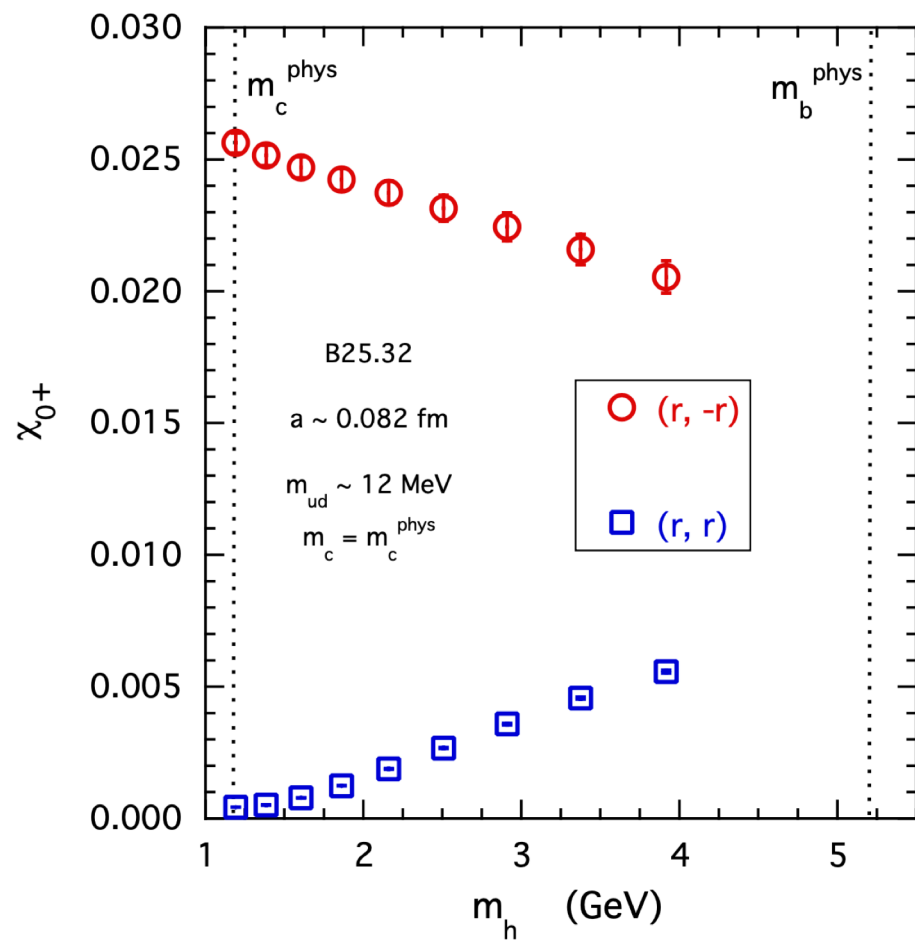
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Higher order corrections?



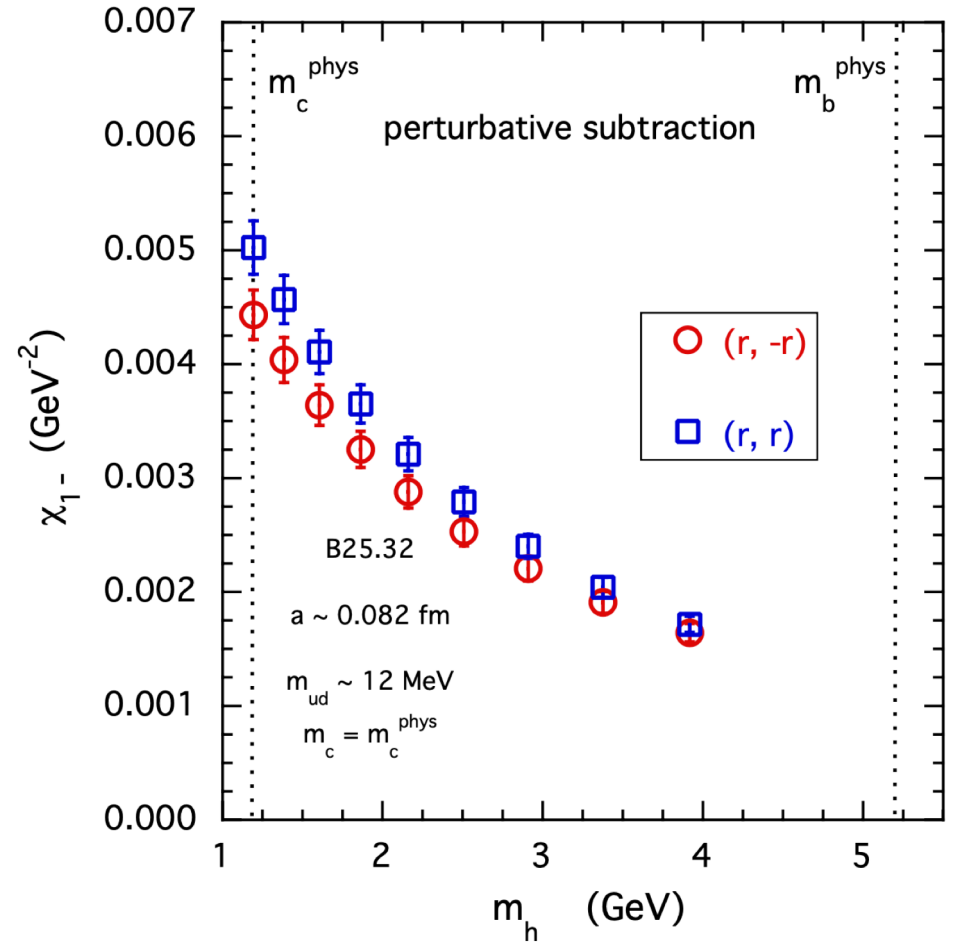
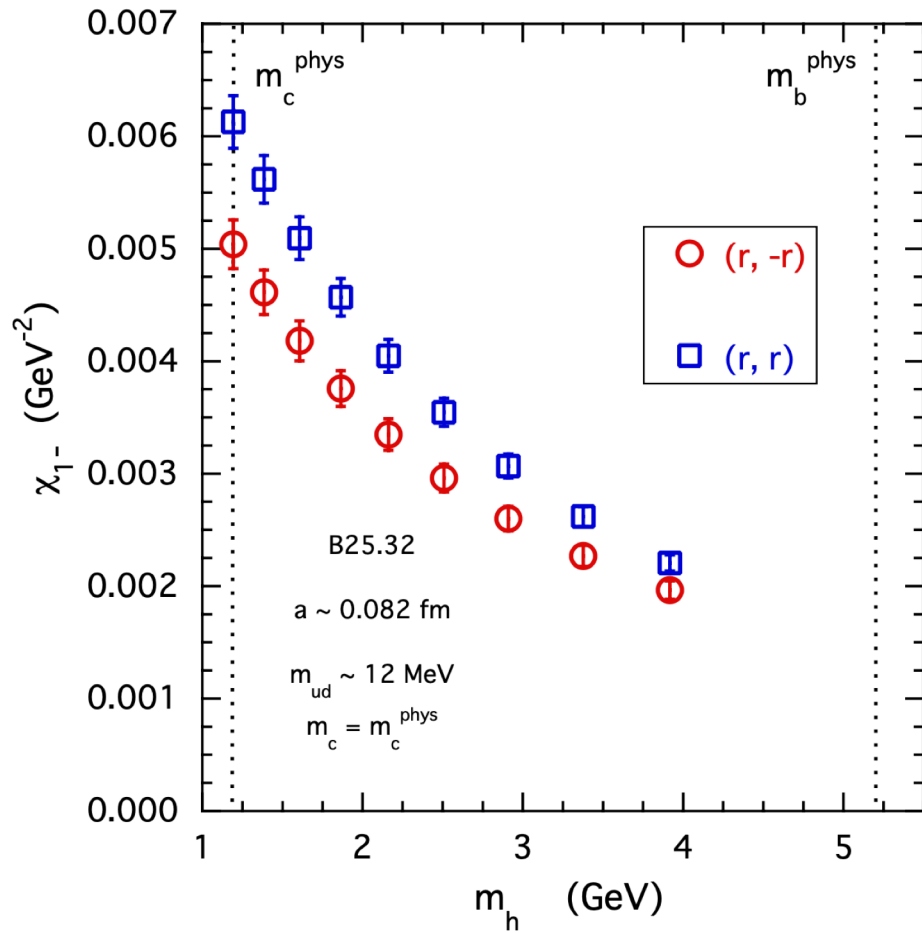
Work in progress...

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