

Lattice QCD+QED in relation to kaon decays

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Outline of this talk

1. **Why** are isospin-breaking and QED corrections relevant?
2. **How** are these effects included in lattice calculations?
3. **What** can the lattice do for kaon physics?

1. Why

Indirect searches of new physics using CKM matrix unitarity constraints

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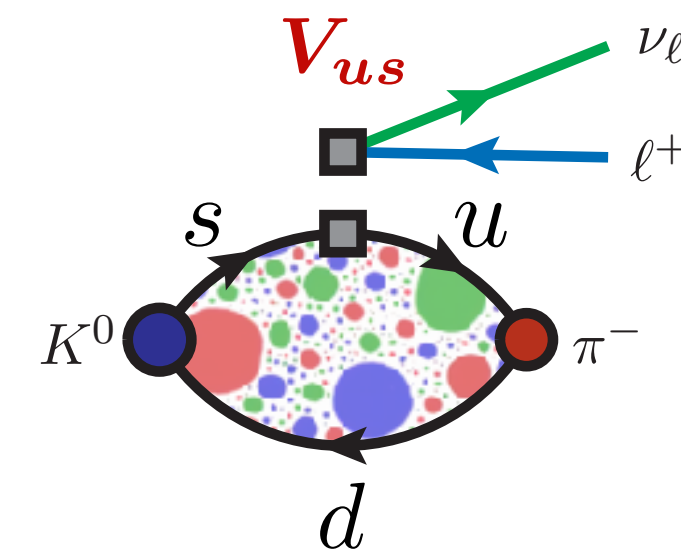
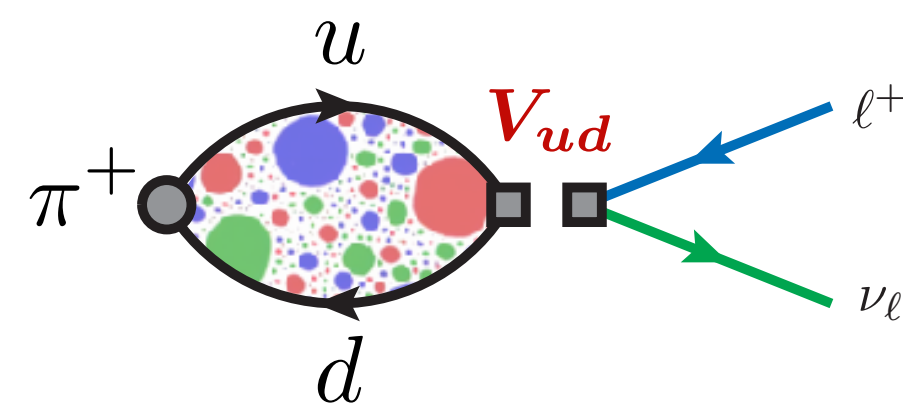
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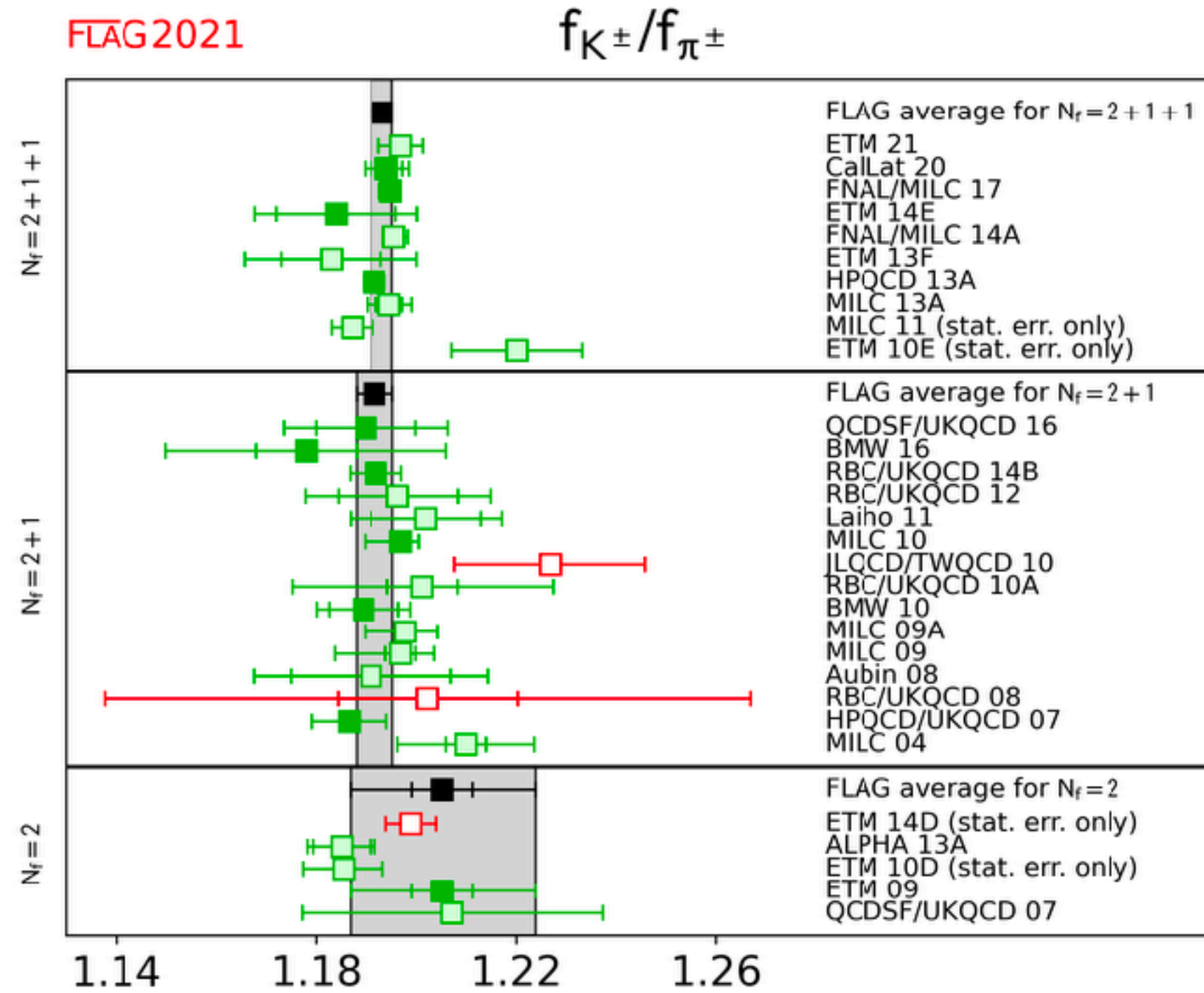
Matrix elements can be extracted e.g. from **leptonic** and **semileptonic** decays of mesons

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

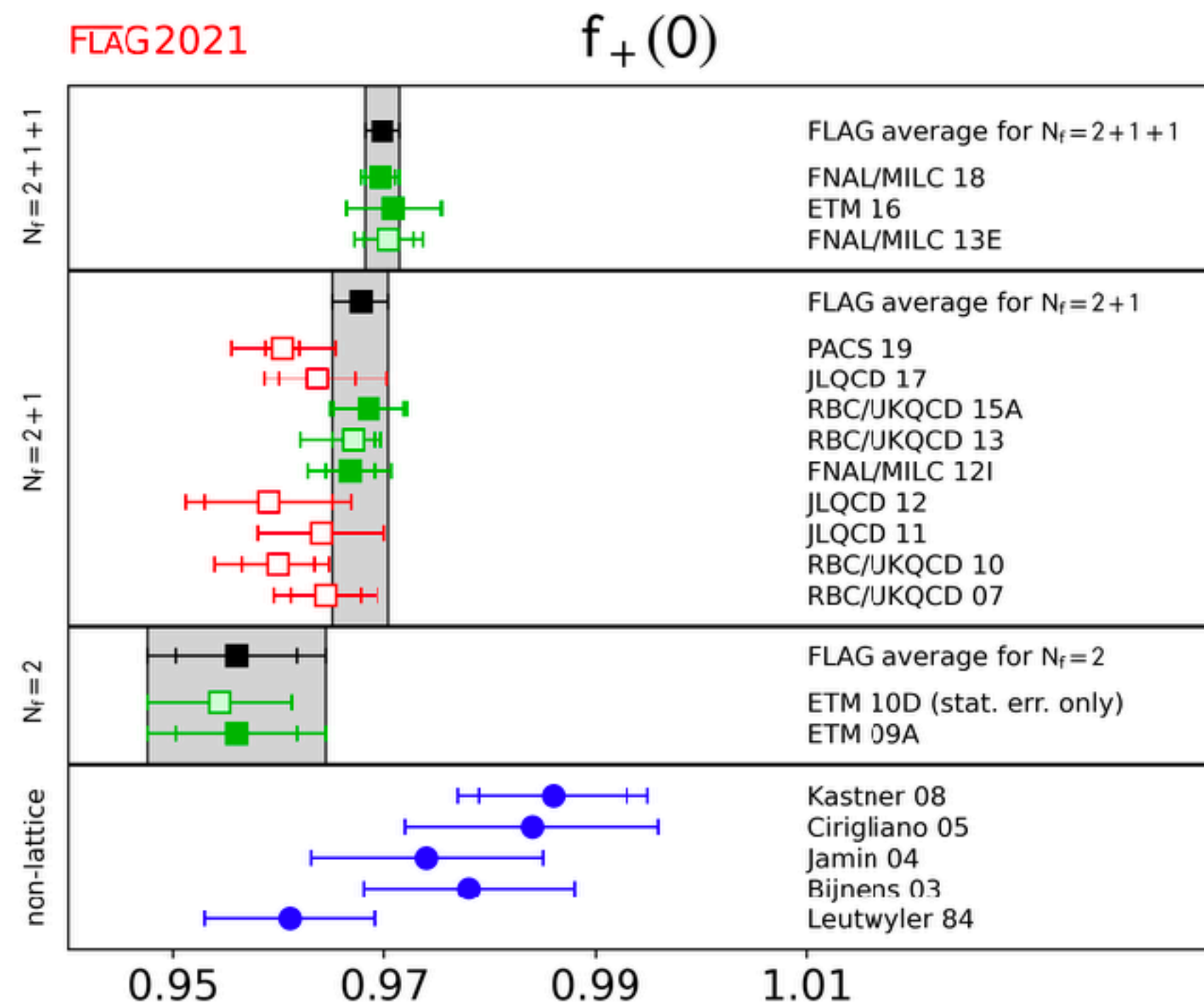
$$\underbrace{\Gamma[K \rightarrow \pi l\nu_l(\gamma)]}_{\text{experiments}} \propto \underbrace{|V_{us}|^2}_{\text{QCD}} \underbrace{|f_+^{K\pi}(0)|^2}_{\text{QCD}}$$



Leptonic and semi-leptonic decays from lattice QCD



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



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



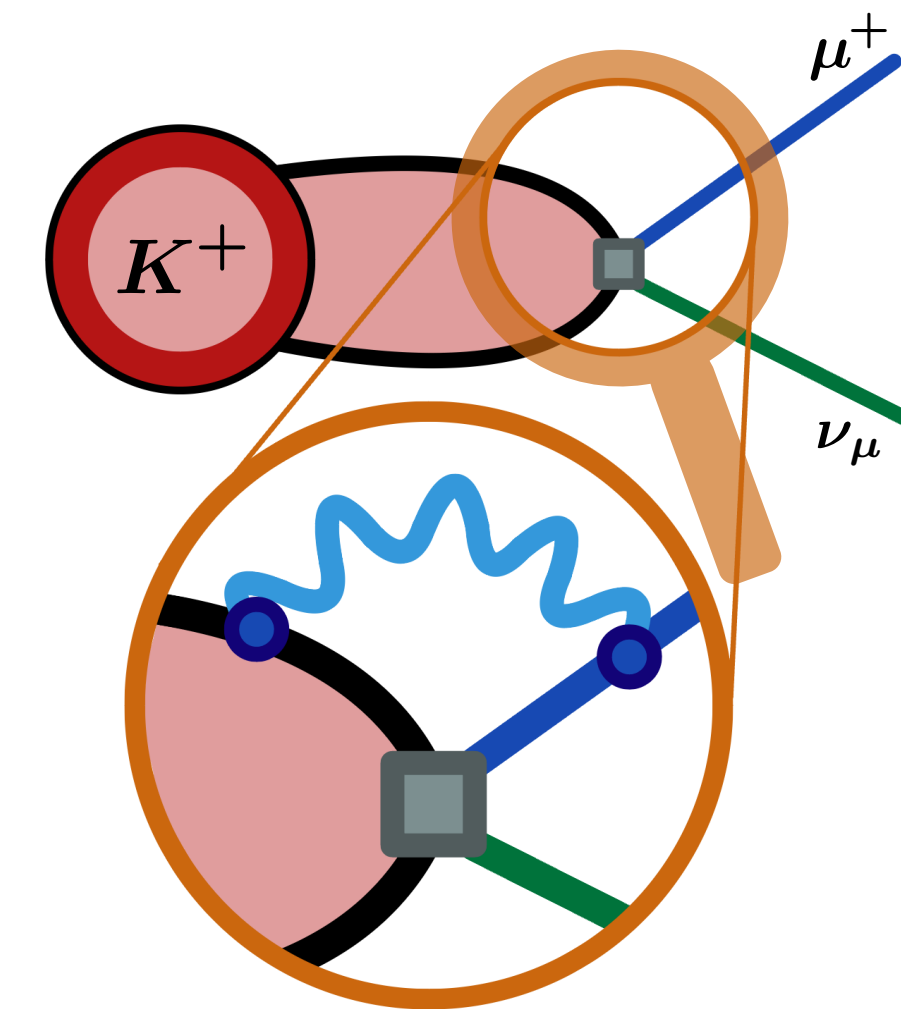
f_K/f_π and $f_+^{K\pi}(0)$ determined from lattice QCD with sub percent precision!

FLAG Review 2021.
EPJC 82, 86g (2022)

QED and isospin-breaking effects

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

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



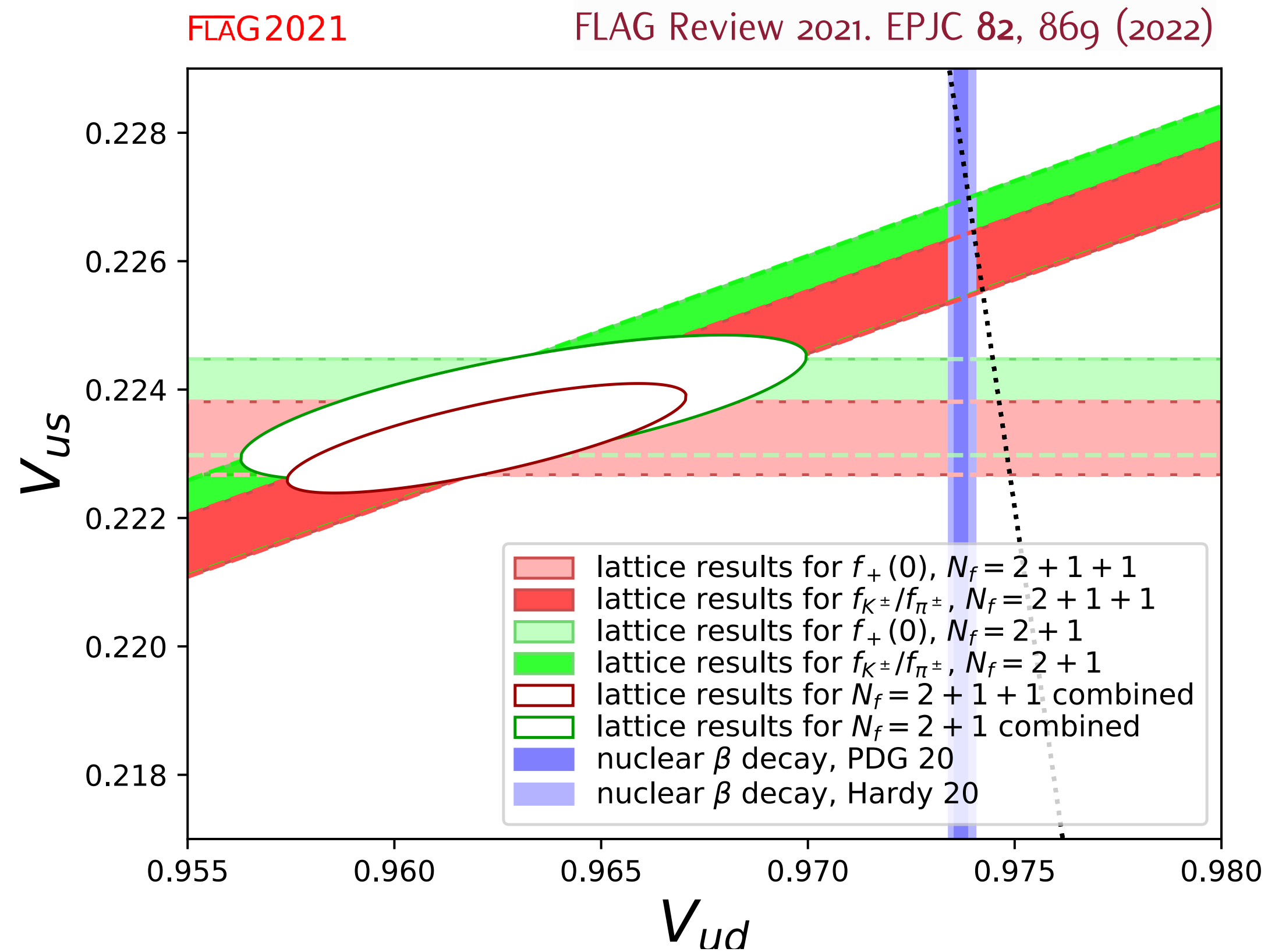
$$\frac{\Gamma(K \rightarrow l\nu_l)}{\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow l\nu_l)} \propto \frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} \left(\frac{f_K}{f_\pi}\right)^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi})$$

$$\Gamma(K \rightarrow \pi l\nu_l) \propto |V_{us}|^2 |f_+^{K\pi}(0)|^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi}^l)$$

- ▶ results from χ PT currently quoted in the PDG
- ▶ these are fully non-perturbative (structure dependent)
- ▶ first-principle lattice calculations are possible!

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

First-row CKM unitarity tests



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

$$|V_u|^2_{\text{red circle}} - 1 = 2.8\sigma$$

$$|V_u|^2_{\text{blue square}} - 1 = 5.6\sigma$$

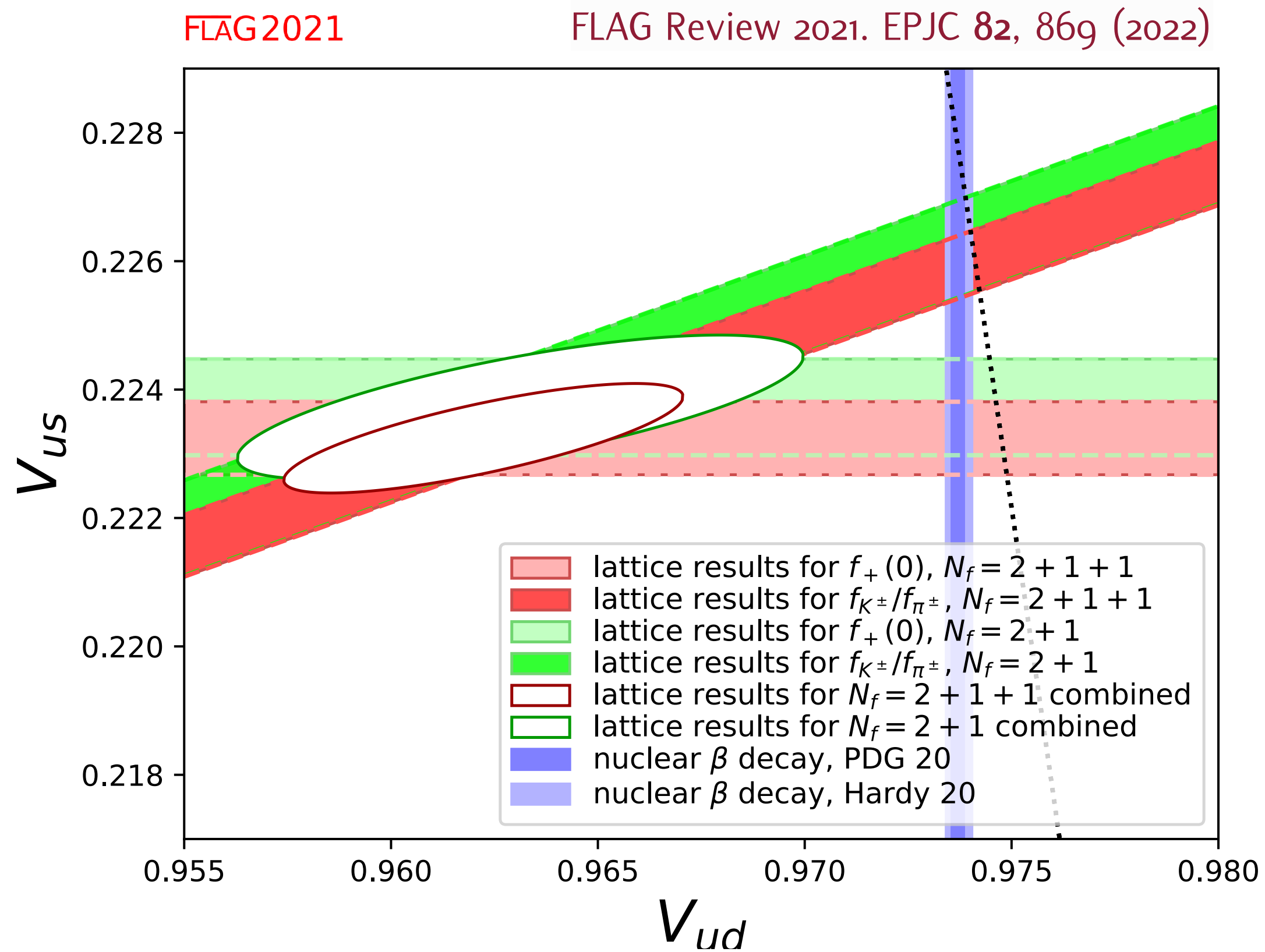
$$|V_u|^2_{\text{red square}} - 1 = 3.3\sigma$$

$$|V_u|^2_{\text{light blue square}} - 1 = 3.1\sigma$$

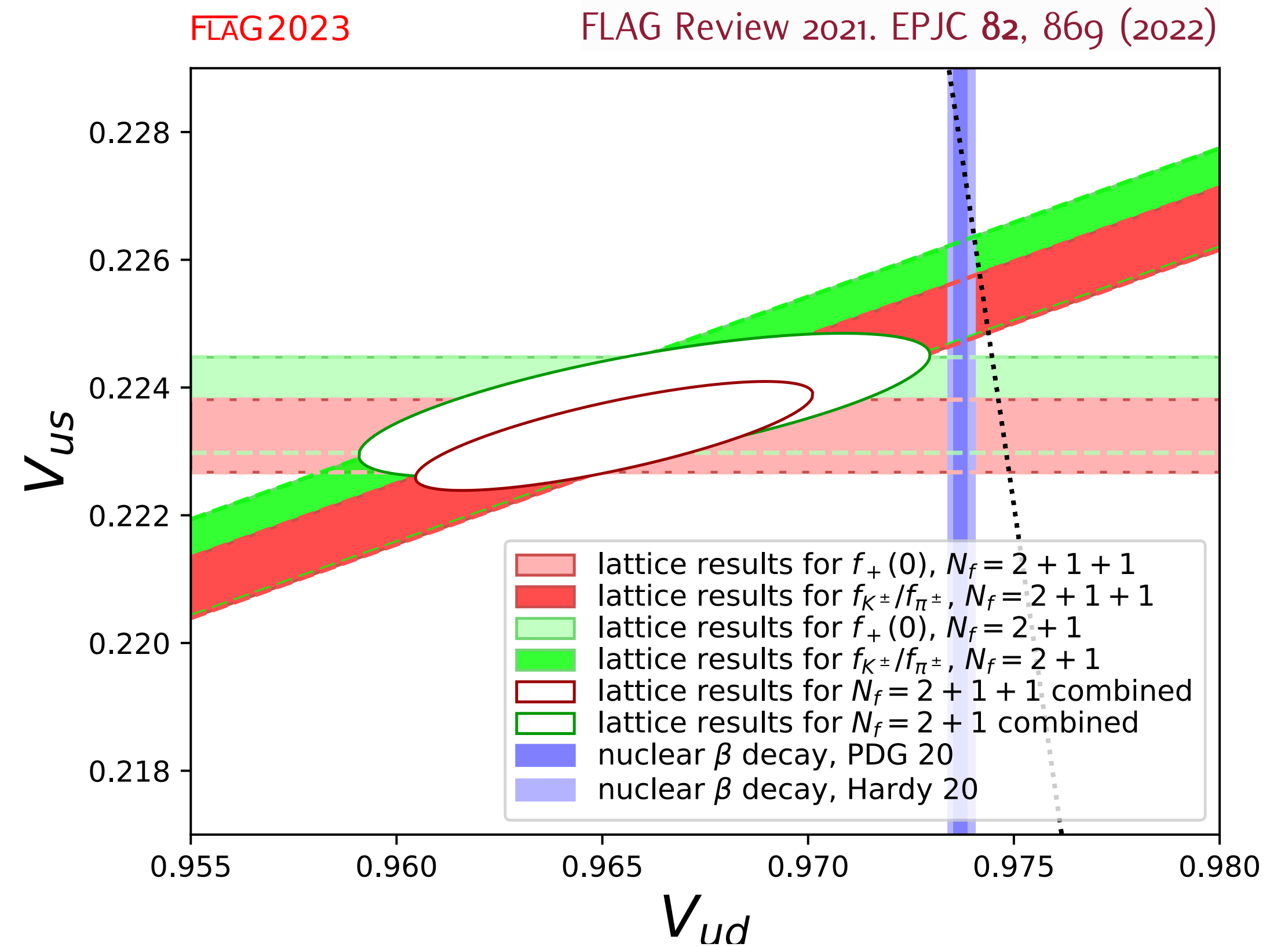
$$|V_u|^2_{\text{dark blue square}} - 1 = 1.7\sigma$$

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

First-row CKM unitarity tests



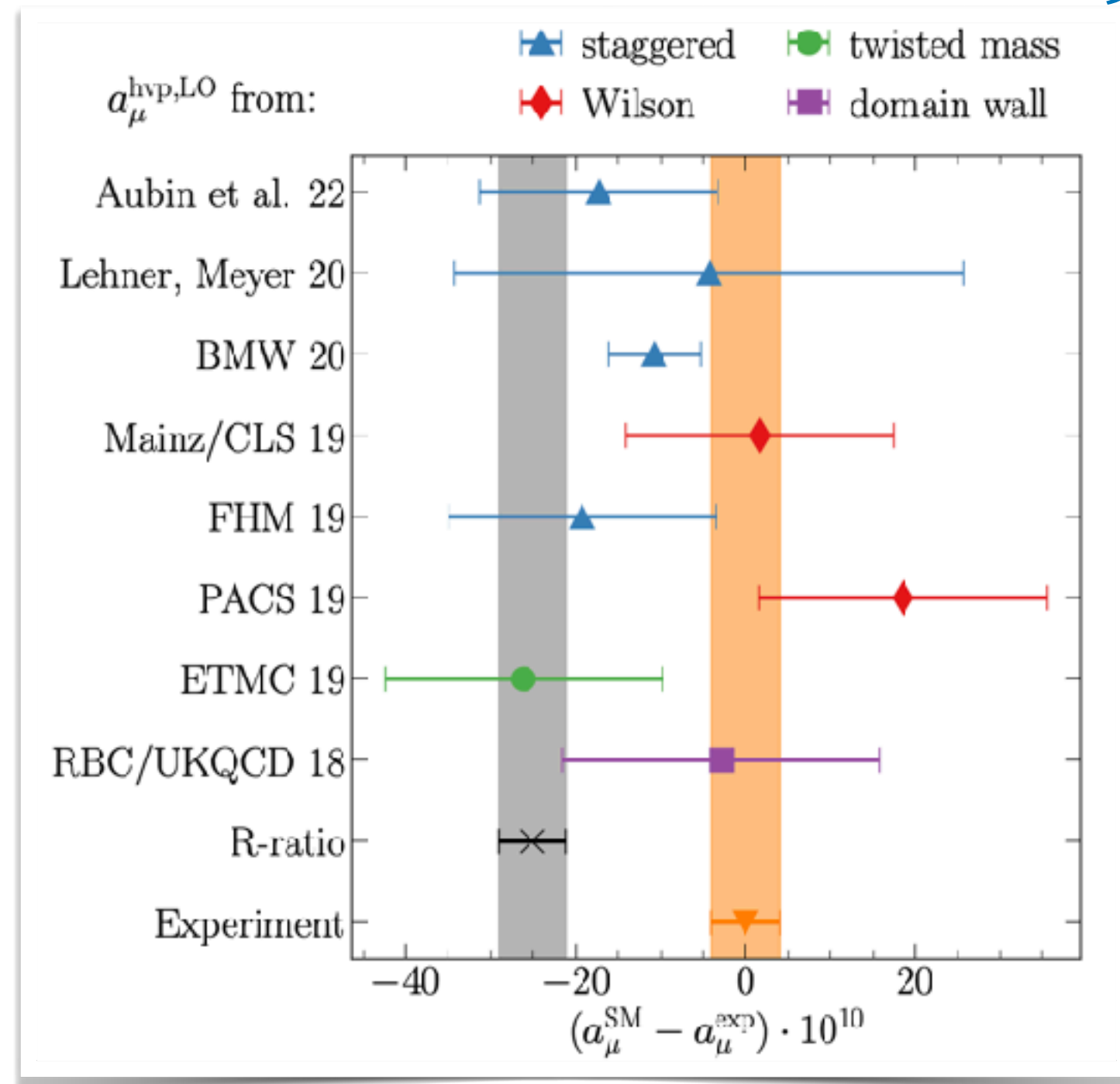
with QED corrections
from lattice calculation



without QED corrections
from lattice calculations

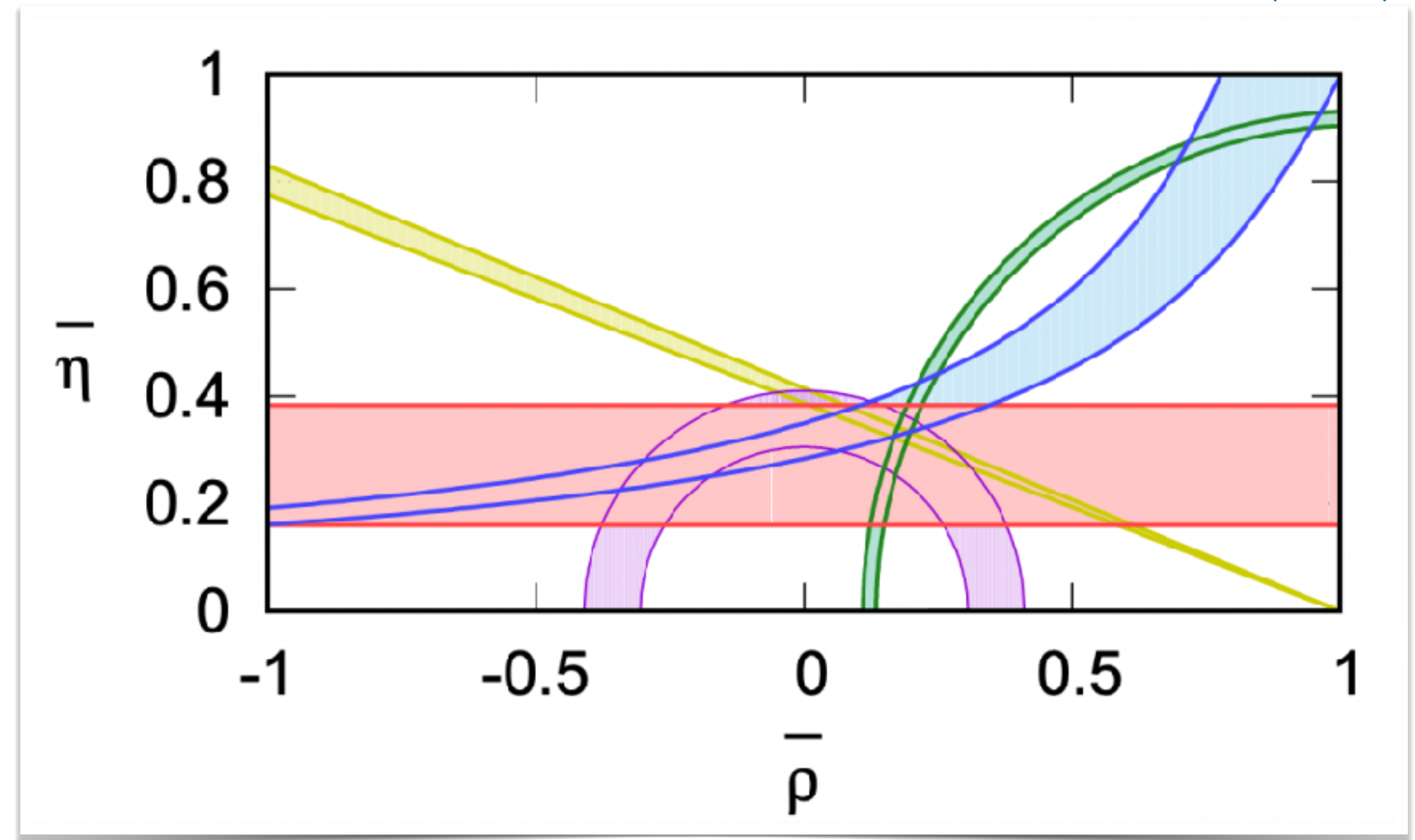
Some other motivations...

from S.Kuberski @Lattice2023



HVP contribution to muon $g-2$
target precision of $O(0.1\%)$

from R.Abbott et al., PRD 102 (2020)



Study of CP violation in the SM
target precision of $O(10\%)$

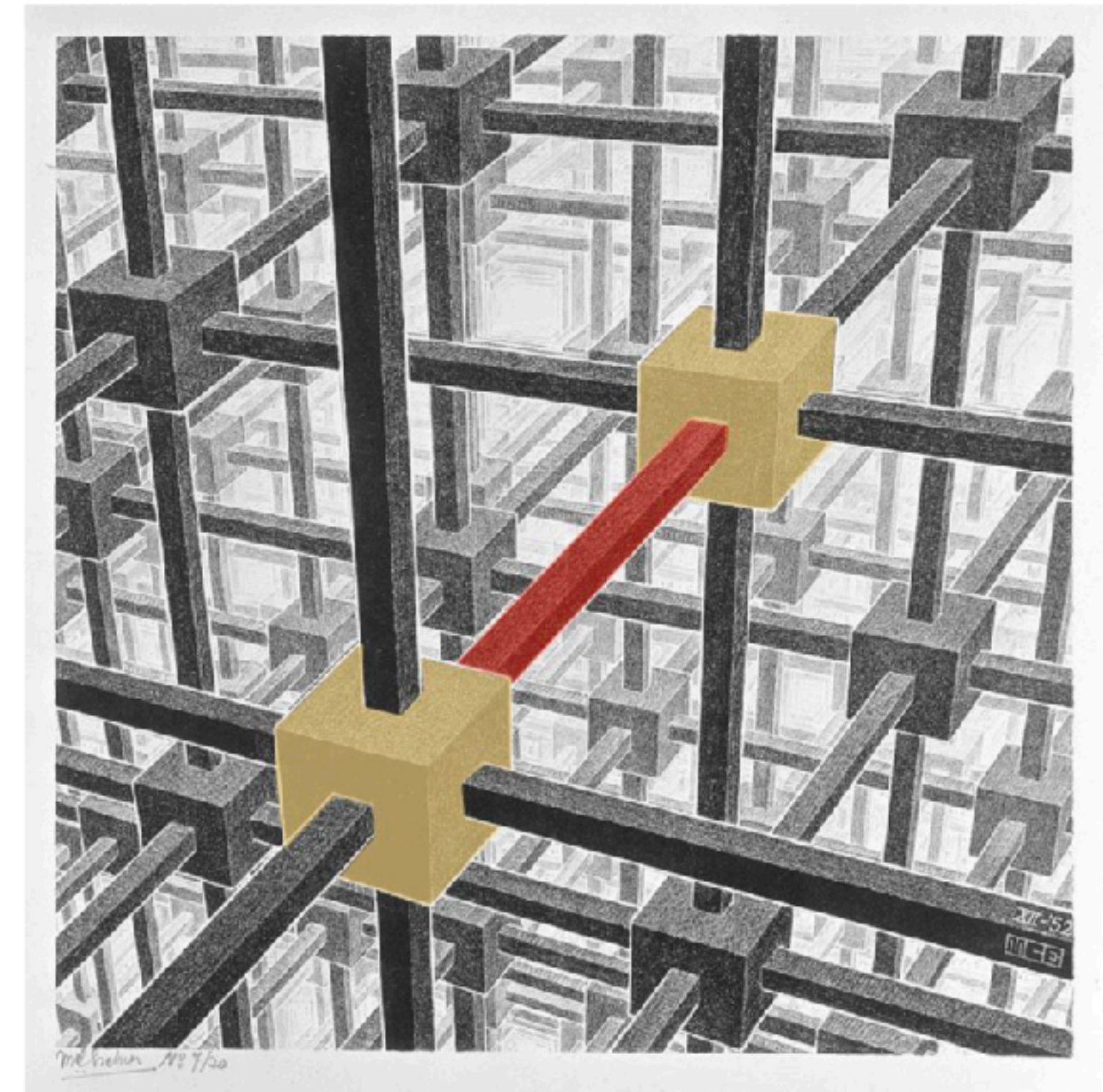
Lattice QCD in a [small] nutshell

- QCD on a discrete and finite Euclidean space-time

- Based on Feynman path integrals

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D}[U] \mathcal{D}[\psi, \bar{\psi}] \mathcal{O}[\psi, \bar{\psi}, U] e^{-S[\psi, \bar{\psi}, U]}$$

- Path integral solved using Monte Carlo methods
- Physical QCD results obtained, after renormalization, by taking the continuum & infinite-volume limit
- Usual setup for lattice simulations: exact isospin symmetry, i.e. $m_u = m_d \equiv m_{ud}$ and $\alpha = 0$

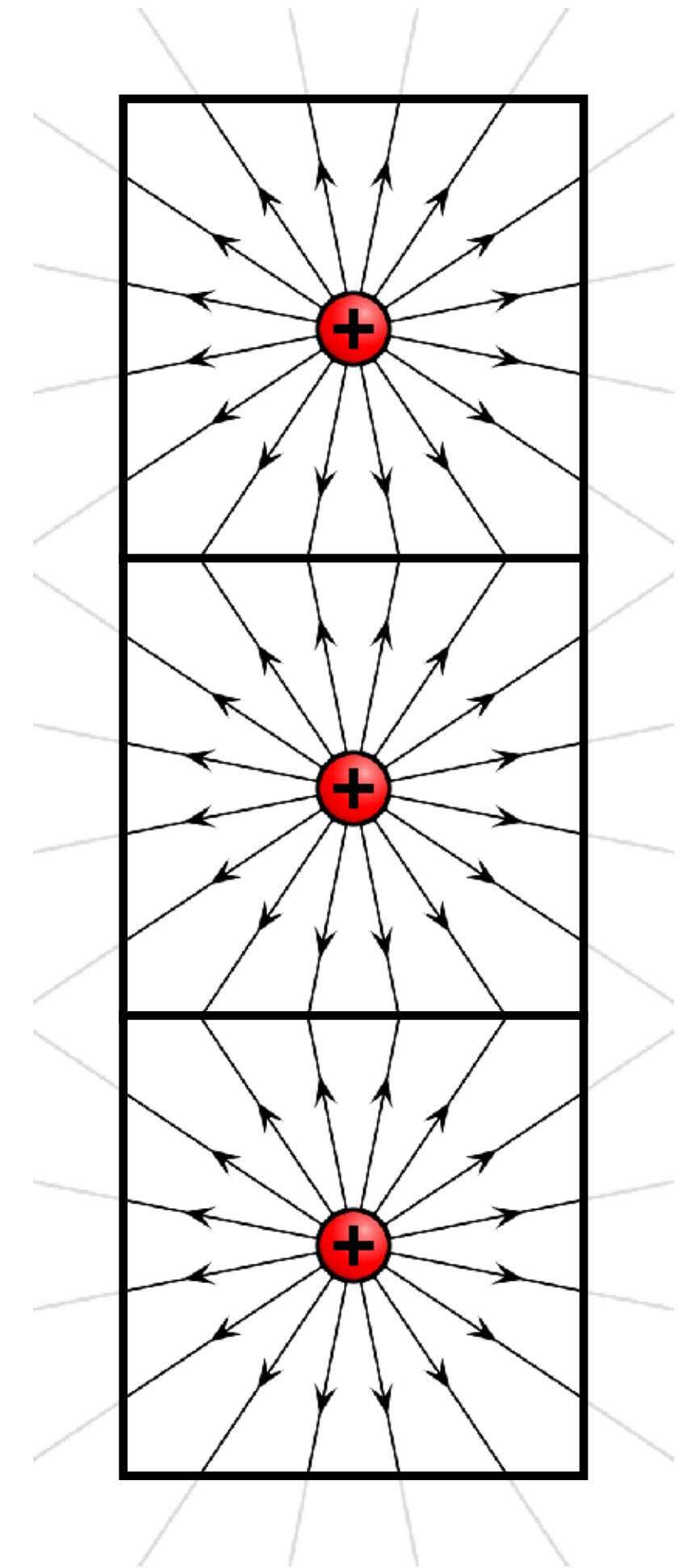


M.C. Escher, "Cubic space division" (1953)

2. How

Computing QED corrections on a finite-sized lattice is challenging:

- ▶ long-range interactions don't like finite volumes with periodic boundary conditions
- ▶ finite-volume effects can be sizeable and power-like
M.Hayakawa & S.Uno, PTP 120 (2008) / Z.Davoudi & M.Savage, PRD 90 (2014) / S.Borsanyi et al., Science 347 (2015)
- ▶ logarithmic infrared divergences arise when studying decays
V.Lubicz et al., PRD 95 (2017)
- ▶ QCD and QCD+QED are different theories which require separate renormalisation and scale-setting



Charged states in a finite box

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

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

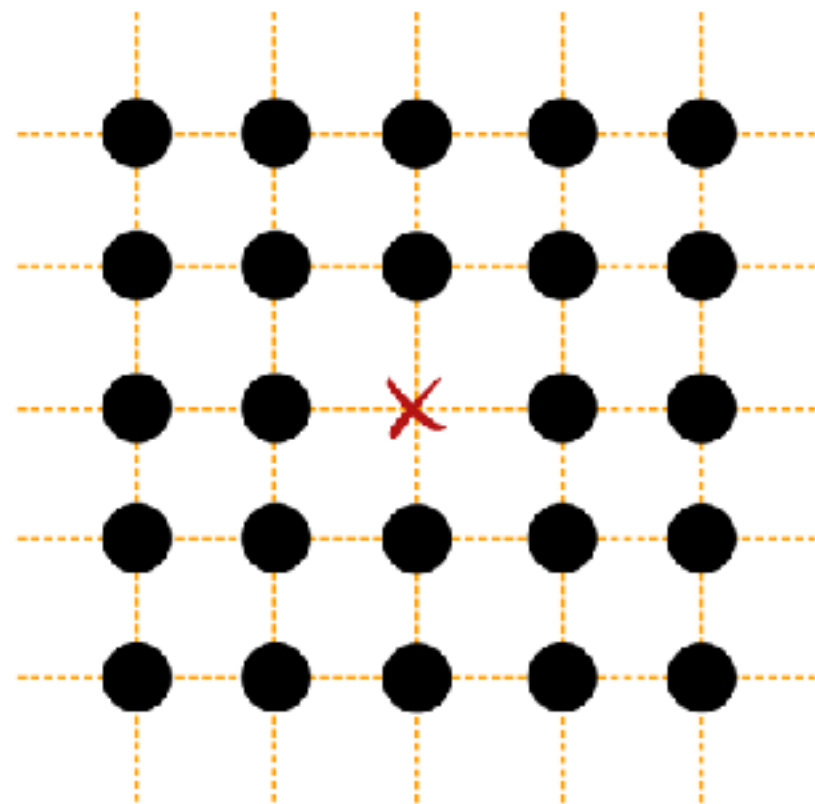
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Possible solutions:

QED_L

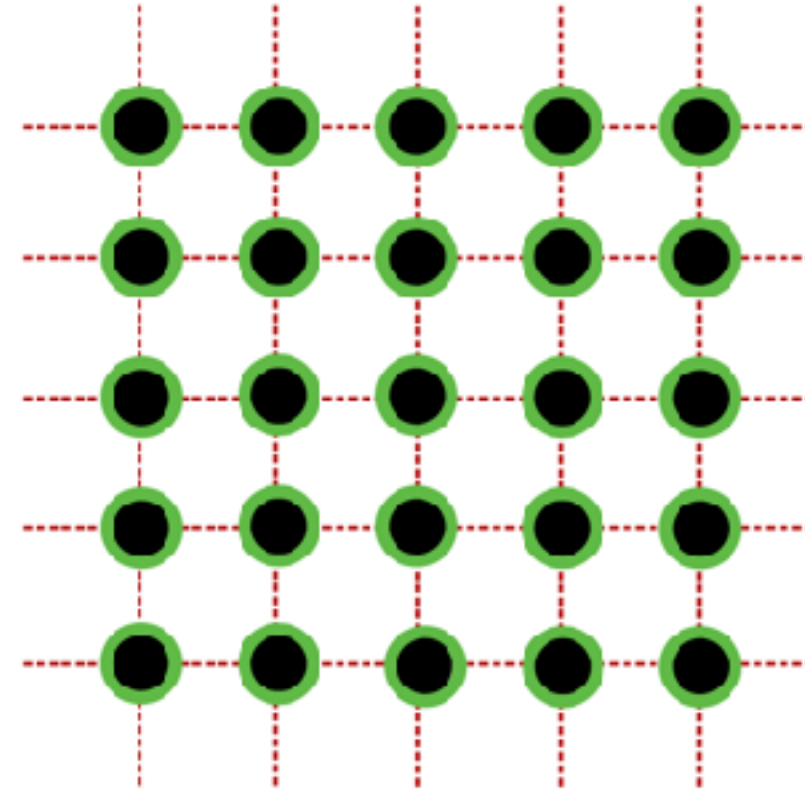


$$\Omega_3 = 2\pi\mathbb{Z}^3/L$$

remove spatial zero-mode
of the photon field

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

QED_m

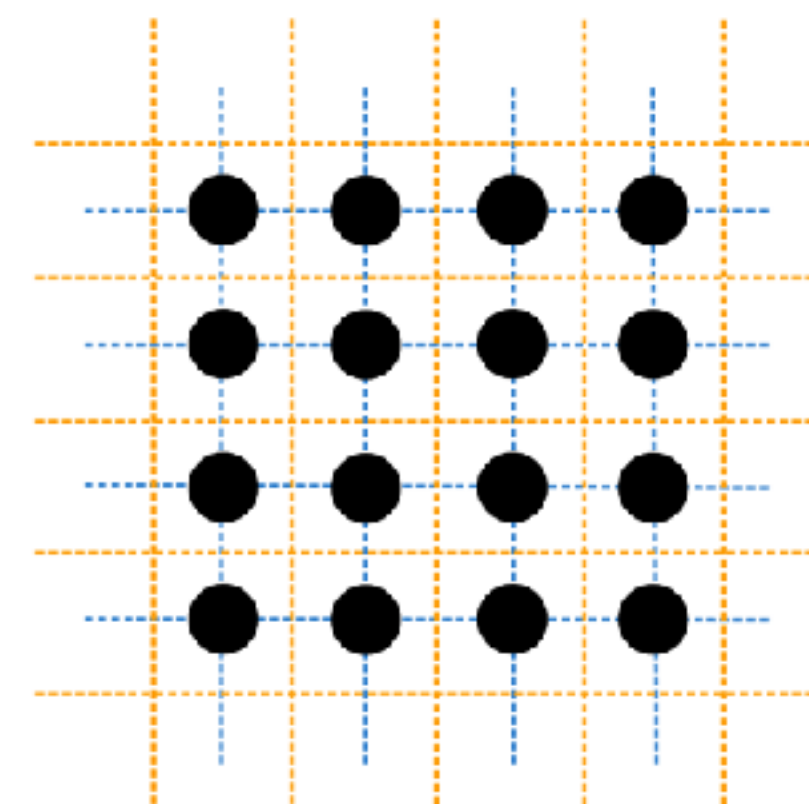


$$\Omega_4 = 2\pi\{\mathbb{Z}^3/L, \mathbb{Z}/T\}$$

use massive photon m_γ

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

QED_{C*}

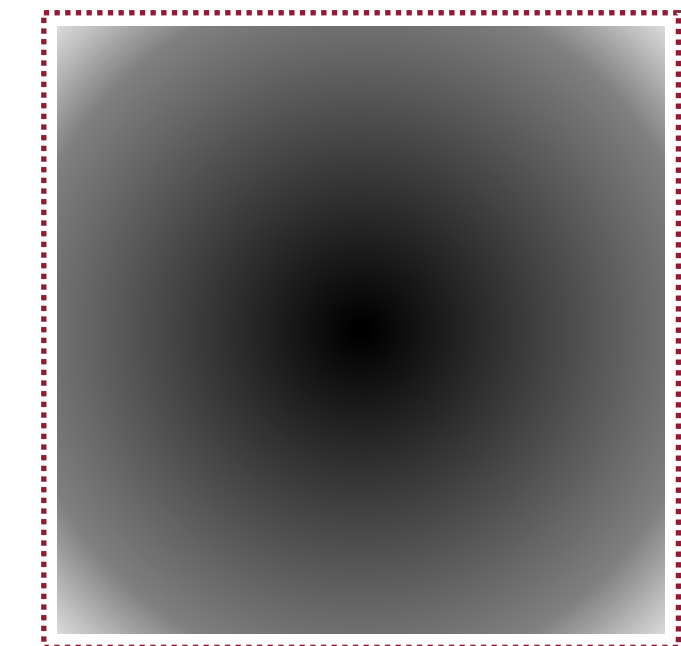


$$\Omega_3 = 2\pi\mathbb{Z}^3/L \quad \Omega'_3 = (2\mathbb{Z}^3 + \bar{\mathbf{n}})\pi/L$$

employ C* boundary
conditions

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

QED_∞



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

infinite-volume
reconstruction

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

Implementing QCD+QED on the lattice

▶ RM123 perturbative approach

G.M.de Divitiis et al. (RM123), PRD 87 (2013)

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \int \mathcal{D}\Phi \mathcal{O} e^{-S_{\text{iso}} - \Delta S} = \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\text{iso}} + \langle \Delta S \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\text{iso}} + \dots$$

Pros: only evaluate QCD observables

Cons: need to compute many diagrams:

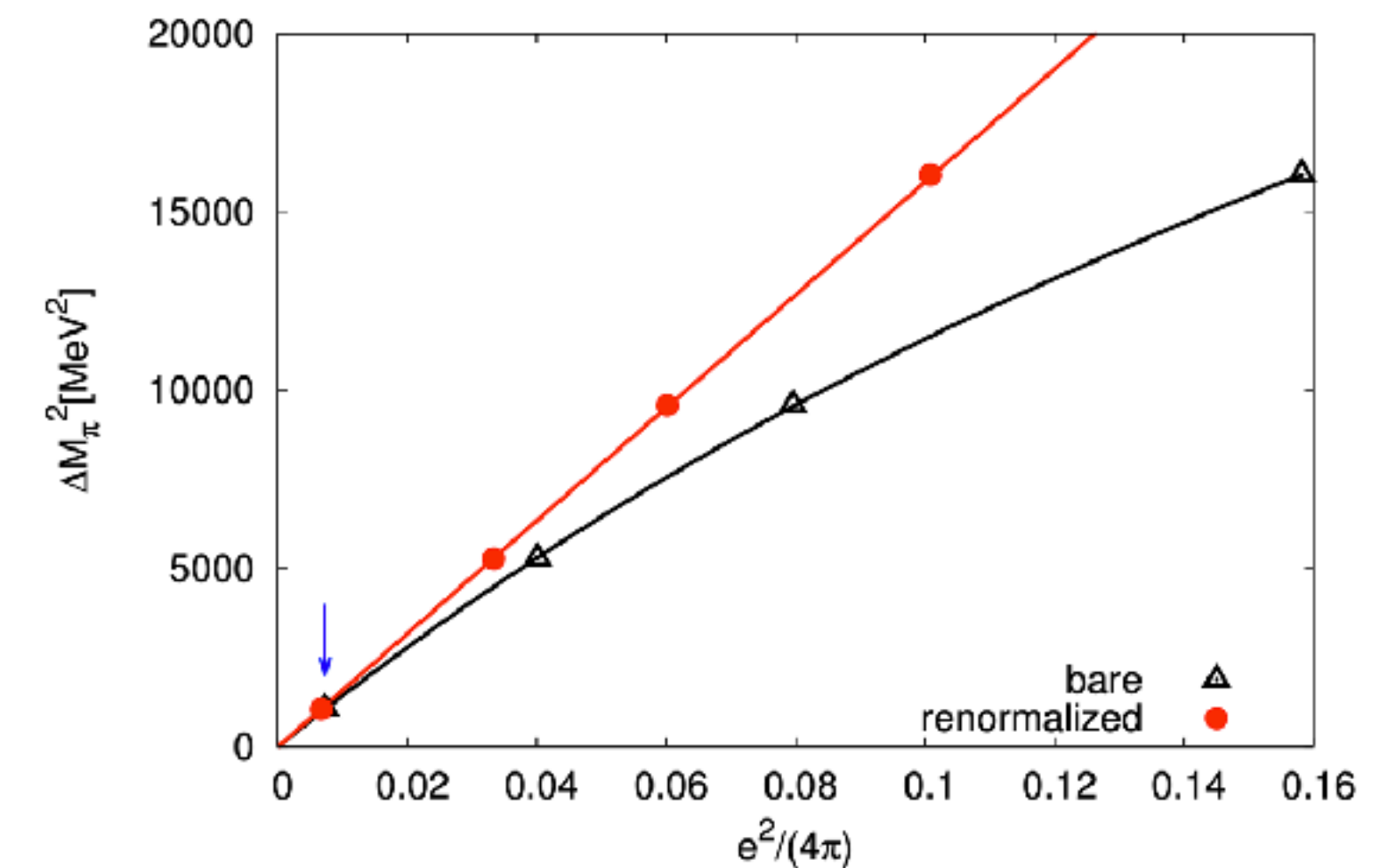


▶ Full QCD+QED lattice simulations

Pros: simpler observables: 

Cons: need of dedicated gauge configurations

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



3. What

Lattice QCD+QED calculations can provide IB corrections for several hadronic observables:

- ▶ hadron masses & quark masses
- ▶ HVP contribution to muon $g-2$
- ▶ leptonic & semileptonic weak decay rates
- ▶ CP violation parameters
- ▶ ...

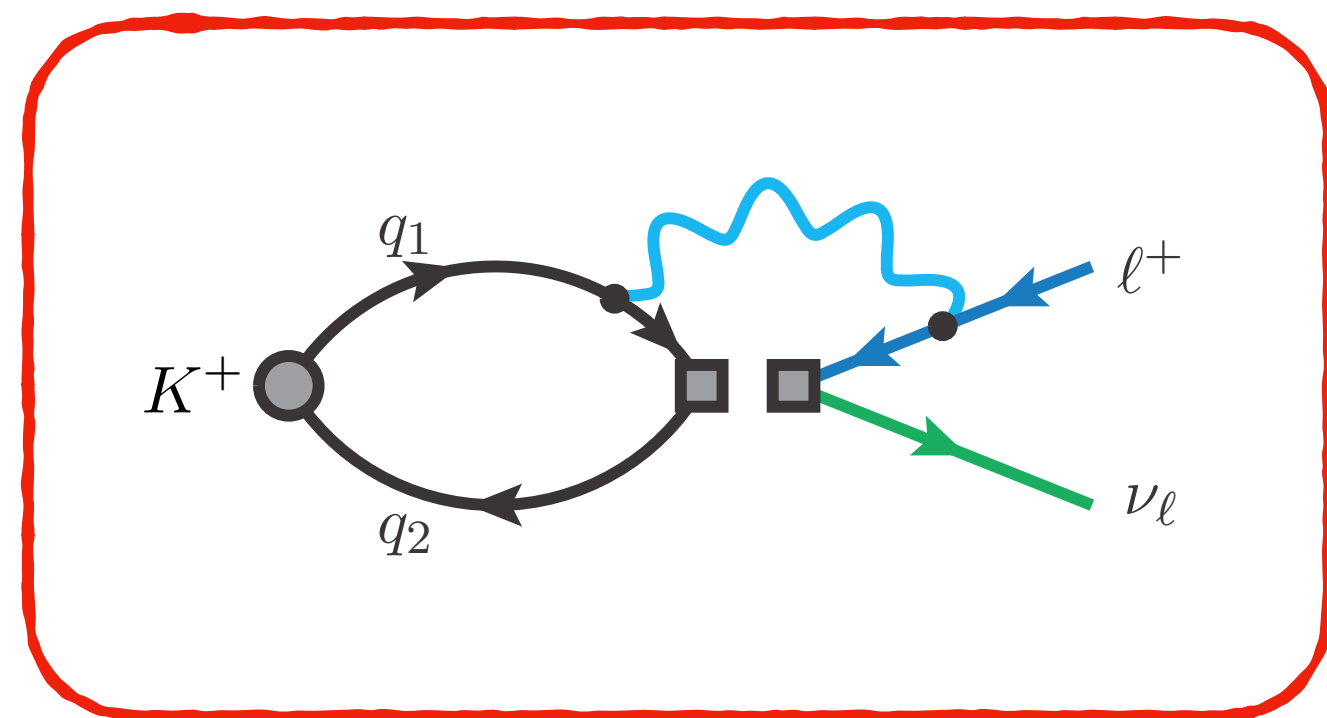
As hadronic uncertainties decrease, such corrections become more and more relevant!

This is a growing research field: improvements expected in the foreseeable future...

3. What

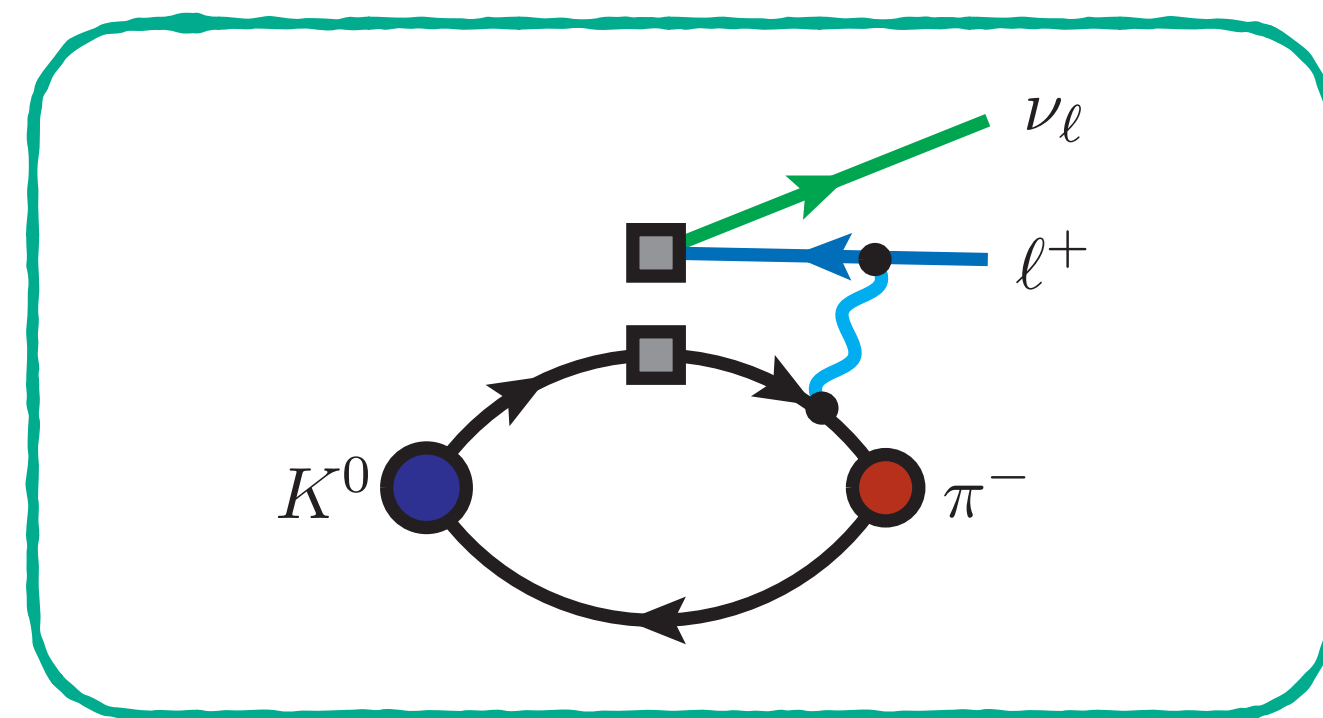
The focus of this talk will be on **isospin-breaking corrections to kaon weak decays**

- ♦ many conceptual and computational challenges
- ♦ stimulating topic: **different groups** are working on these calculations



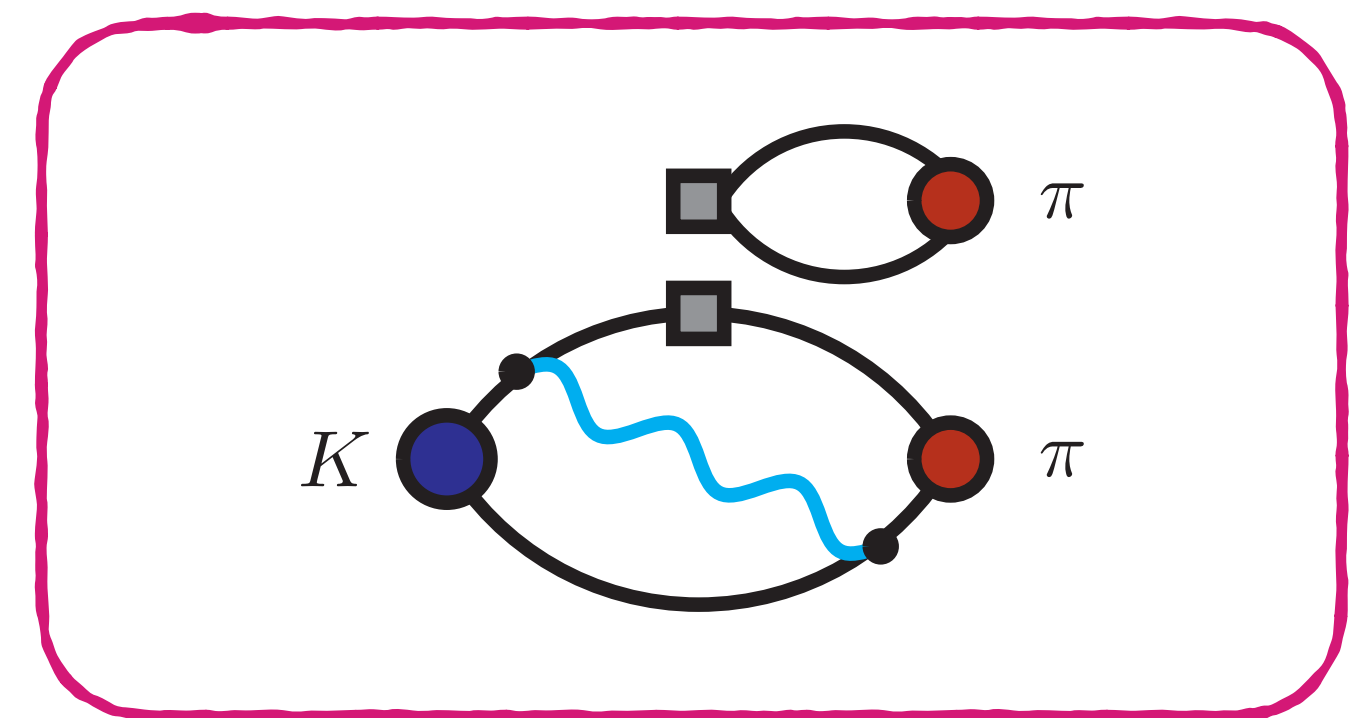
leptonic decays

$$K \rightarrow \ell \nu_\ell$$



semi-leptonic decays

$$K \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu_\ell$$



hadronic decays

$$K \rightarrow \pi \pi$$

today

1–5 years

5+ years

Leptonic kaon decays

Goal: precision determination of $|V_{us}|$ & test of first-row unitarity

Relevance: sub-percent precision on f_K requires inclusion of IB effects

Status: ▶ solid theoretical framework

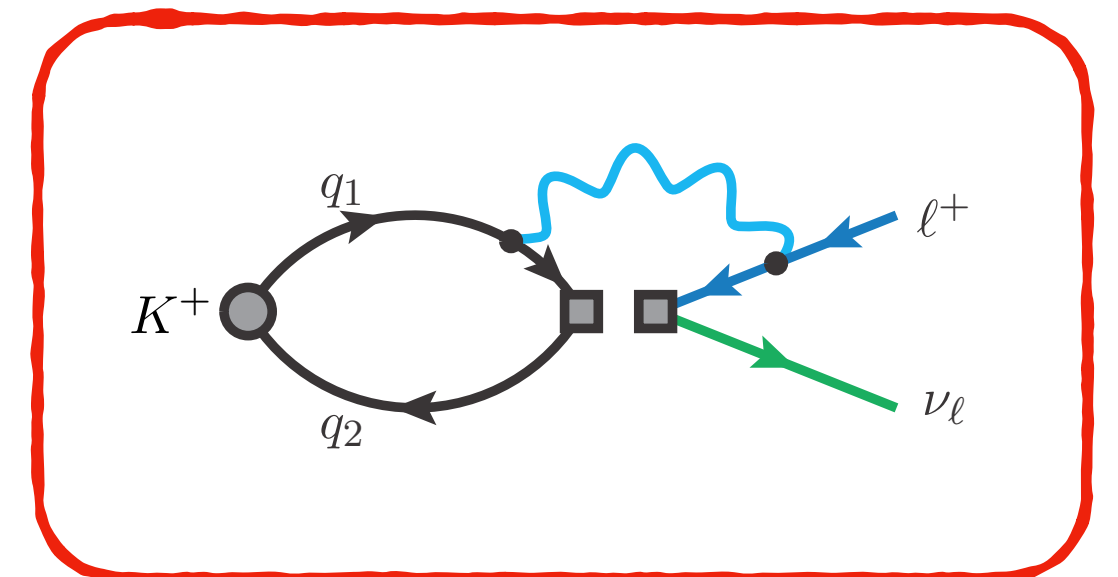
▶ two lattice QCD+QED calculations for $\Gamma(K_{\mu 2})/\Gamma(\pi_{\mu 2})$:

1. RM123 + Southampton collaboration (QED_L) D.Giusti et al., PRL 120 (2018) / MDC et al., PRD 100 (2019)

2. RBC-UKQCD collaboration (QED_L) P.Boyle, MDC et al., JHEP 02 (2023)

▶ ongoing calculation based on recent alternative QED_∞ method

N.Christ et al., [2304.08026]



RM123S



1904.08731

- $\Gamma(K_{\mu 2})$ and $\Gamma(\pi_{\mu 2})$ separately
- Twisted Mass fermions
- multiple volumes and 3 lattice spacings
- unphysical pion masses ($\gtrsim 230$ MeV)
- RM123 method + QED_L

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Editors' Suggestion

Light-meson leptonic decay rates in lattice QCD + QED

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Isospin-breaking corrections to light-meson leptonic decays from lattice simulations at physical quark masses

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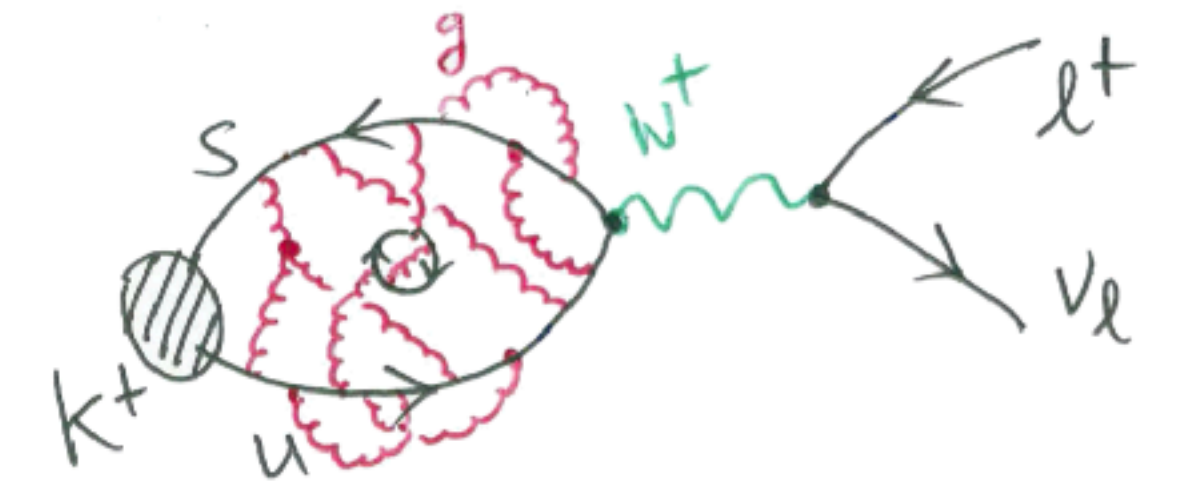
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- ratio $\Gamma(K_{\mu 2}) / \Gamma(\pi_{\mu 2})$
- Domain Wall fermions
- single volume and lattice spacing
- physical quark masses
- RM123 method + QED_L

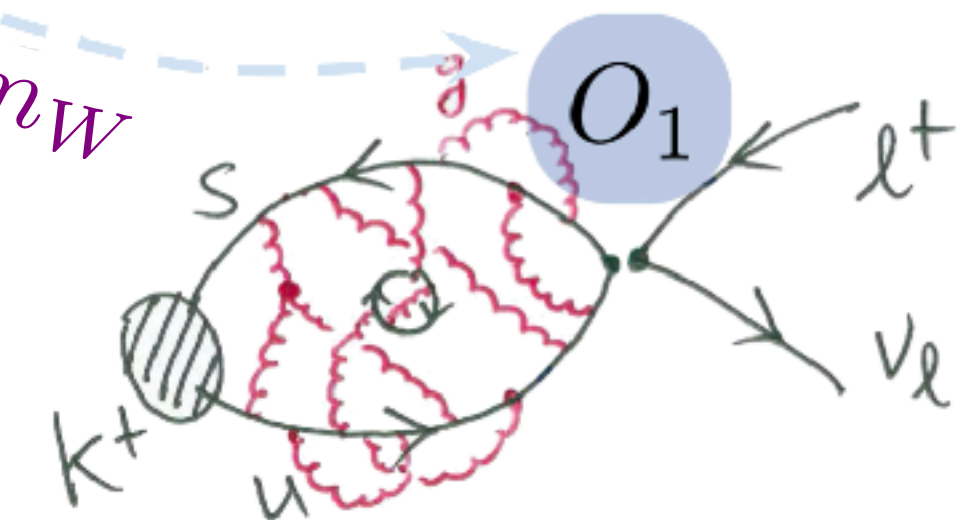
Leptonic decay rate

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

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

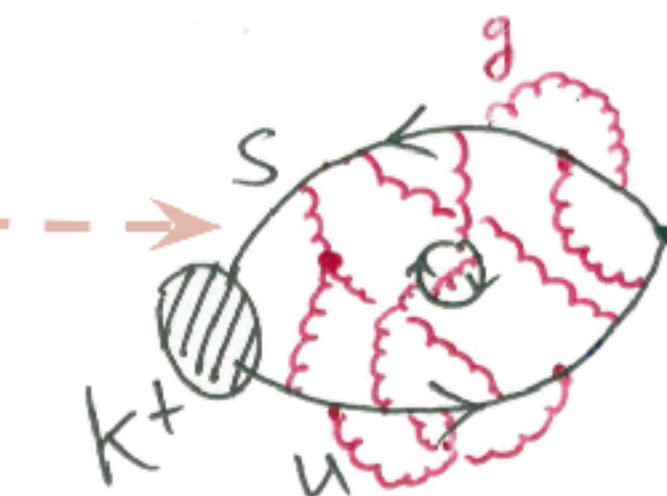


$1/a \ll m_W$



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

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



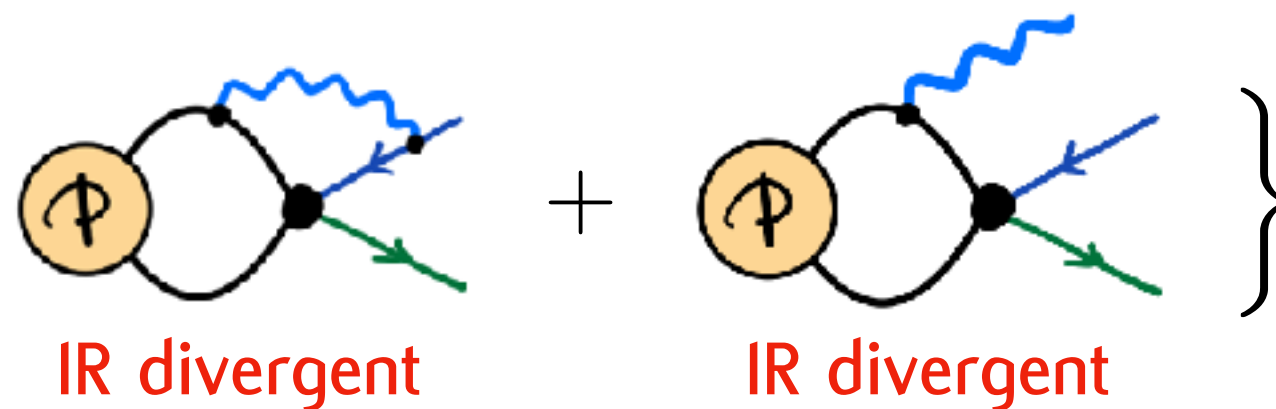
with the non-perturbative dynamic encoded in the **decay constant**

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

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

When including radiative corrections many subtleties arise, for example:

- **IR divergences** appear in intermediate steps of the calculation F. Bloch & A. Nordsieck, PR 52 (1937) 54

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


- new **UV divergences**: include QED corrections to the renormalization of the weak Hamiltonian
- the **decay constant** $f_{P,0}$ becomes an ambiguous and unphysical quantity: one needs to introduce a **scheme** to give a meaning to "QCD" or "iso-QCD"

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

The RM123+Soton recipe

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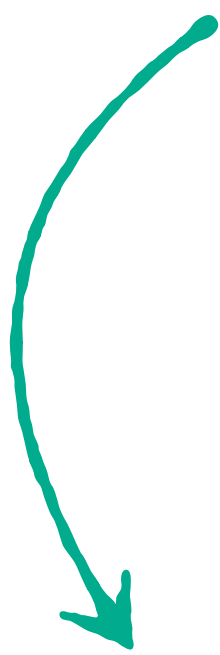
$$\Gamma(P_{\ell 2}) = \lim_{\Lambda_{\text{IR}} \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \text{IR finite} \left[\text{Diagram 1} - \text{Diagram 2} \right] \right\} + \lim_{\Lambda_{\text{IR}} \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \text{IR finite} \left[\text{Diagram 3} + \text{Diagram 4} \right] \right\} \\
 + \lim_{\Lambda_{\text{IR}} \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \text{IR finite} \left[\text{Diagram 5} - \text{Diagram 6} \right] \right\}$$

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The RM123+Soton recipe

$$\Gamma(P_{\ell 2}) = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \text{on the lattice} \right\} + \lim_{m_\gamma \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \text{in perturbation theory} \right\}$$



enough for $K_{\mu 2}$ and $\pi_{\mu 2}$

finite-volume scaling well studied

V.Lubicz et al., PRD 95 (2017) N.Tantalo et al., [1612.00199v2]
 MDC et al., PRD 105 (2022)

$$+ \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \text{on the lattice} \right\}$$



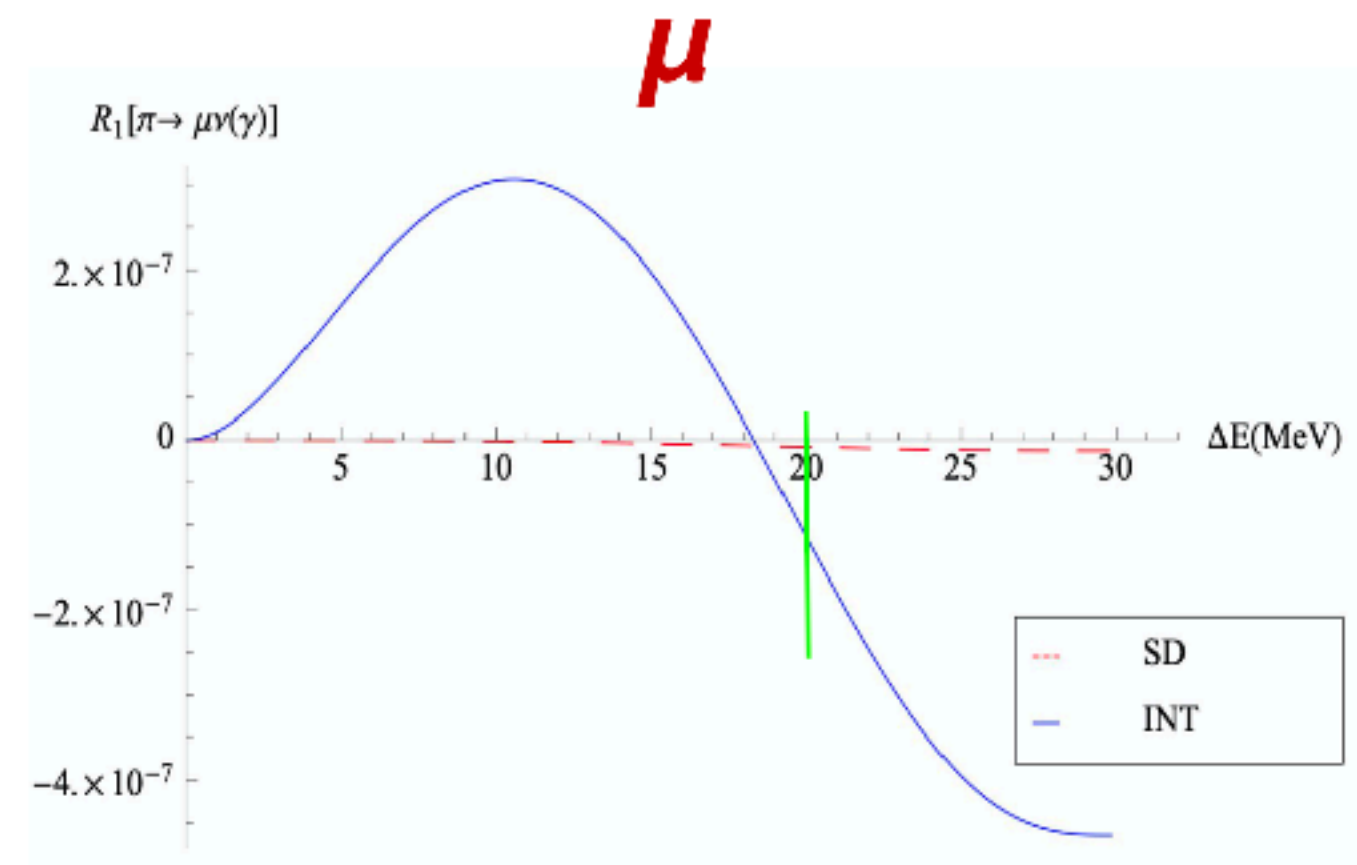
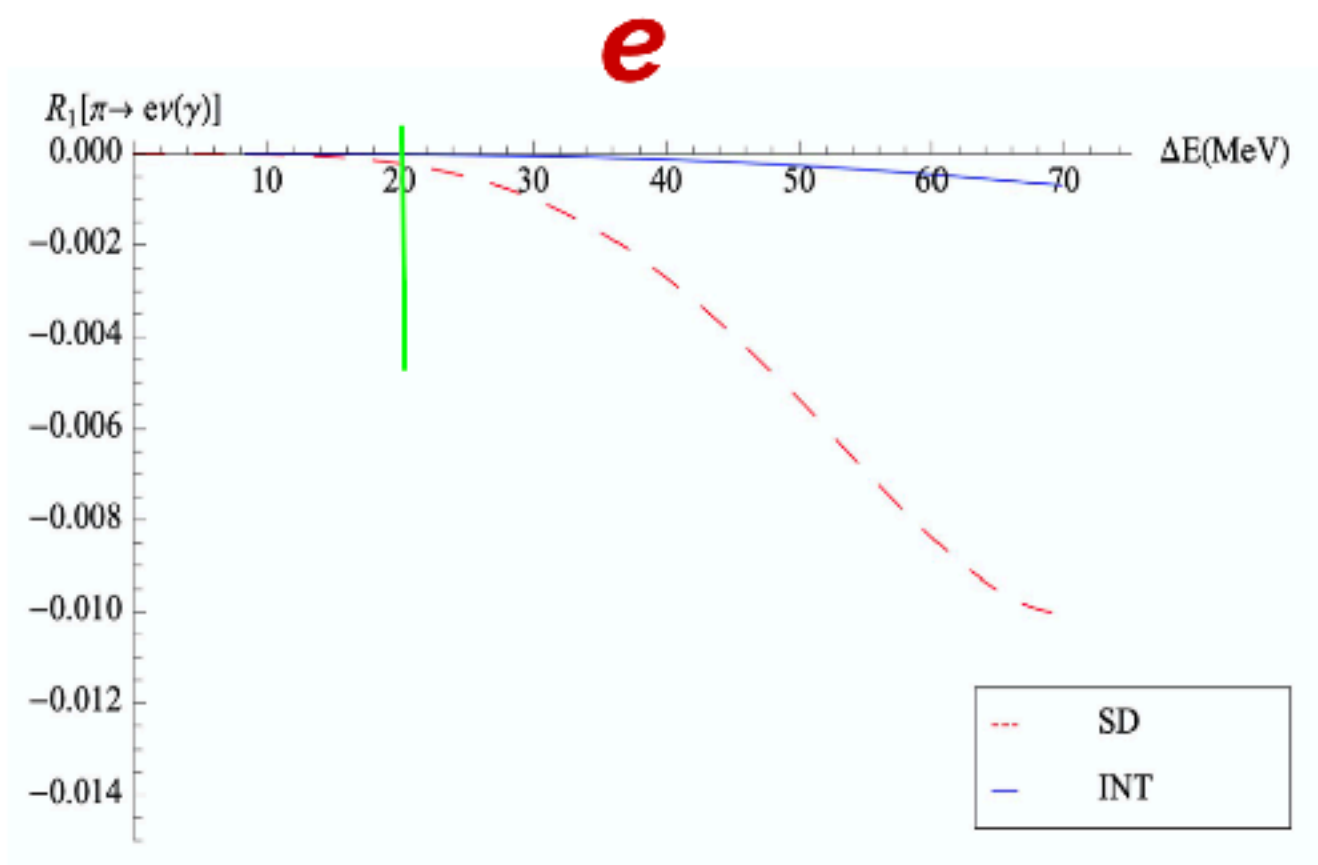
relevant for $K_{e 2}$ and $\pi_{e 2}$
 & decays of heavier mesons

G.M. de Divitiis et al., [1908.10160] C. Kane et al., [1907.00279 & 2110.13196]
 R. Frezzotti et al., PRD 103 (2021) D. Giusti et al., [2302.01298]
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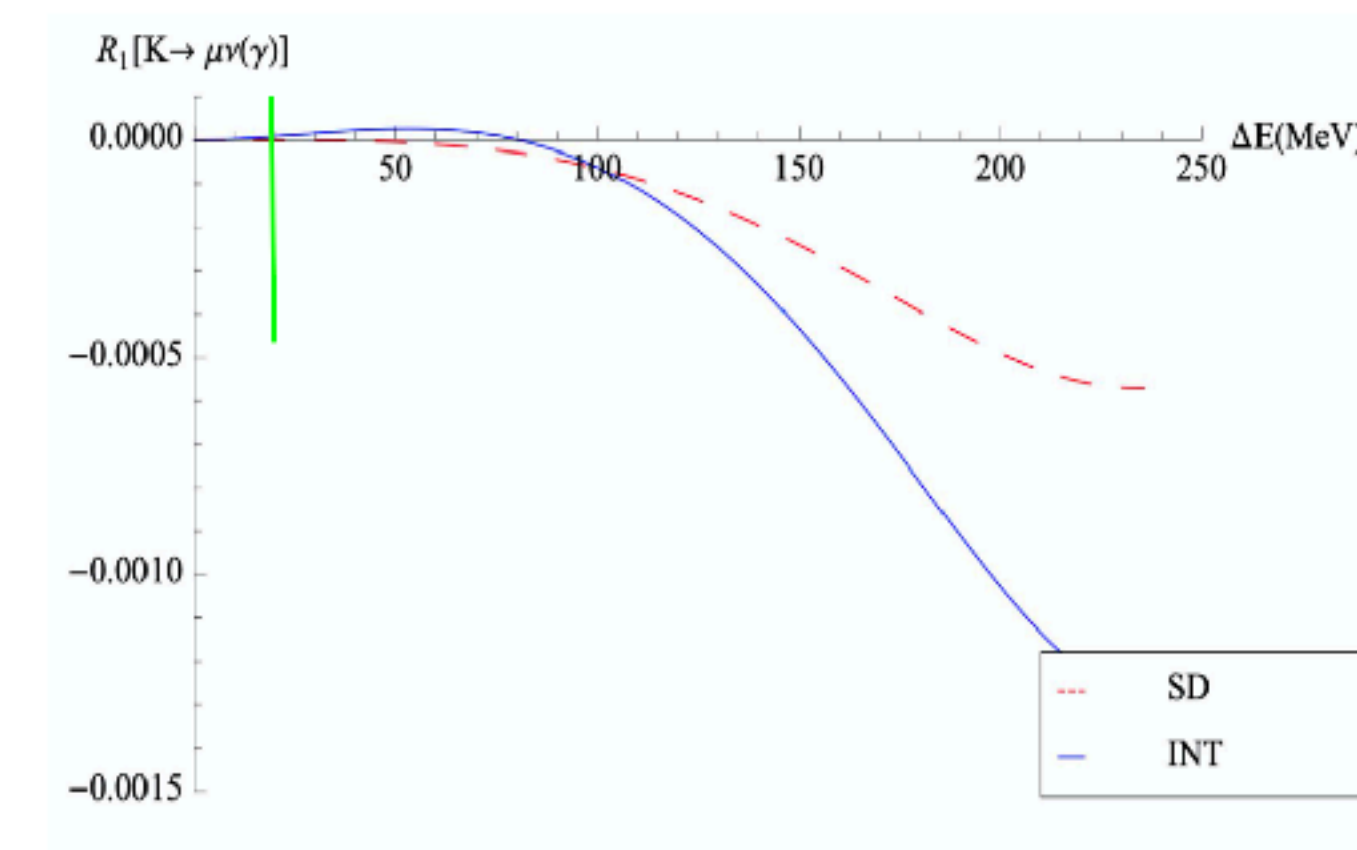
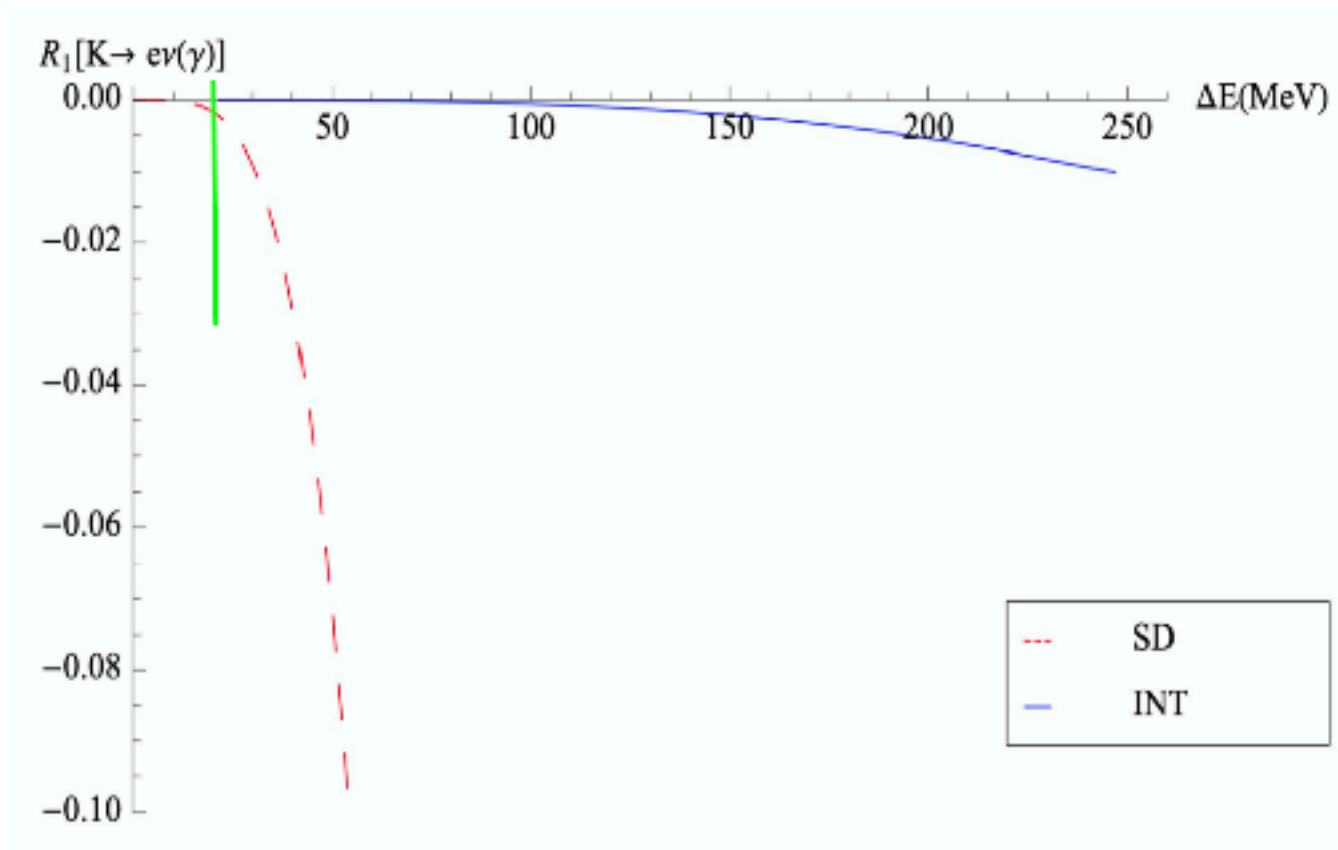
Real photon emission and structure dependence

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1} \\ \text{Diagram 2} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 3} \\ \text{Diagram 4} \end{array} = \left[\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 5} \\ \text{Diagram 6} \end{array} \right] \left(1 + \underbrace{R_1^{\text{SD}}(\Delta E)}_{\text{red dashed}} + \underbrace{R_1^{\text{INT}}(\Delta E)}_{\text{blue solid}} \right)$$

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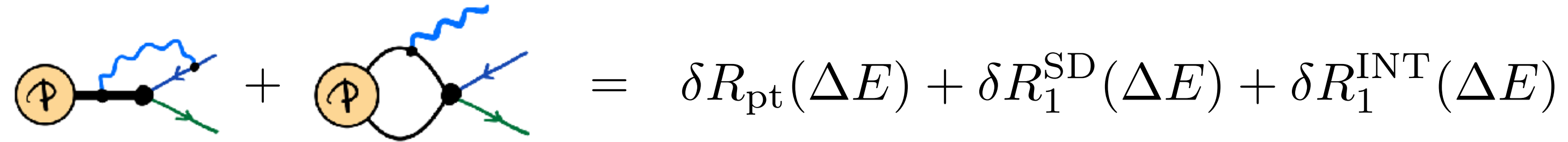


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Calculation at $O(p^4)$ in χ PT
 N. Carrasco et al., PRD 91 (2015)

Real photon emission and structure dependence



$$\text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} = \delta R_{\text{pt}}(\Delta E) + \delta R_1^{\text{SD}}(\Delta E) + \delta R_1^{\text{INT}}(\Delta E)$$

	$\pi_{e2}[\gamma]$	$\pi_{\mu2}[\gamma]$	$K_{e2}[\gamma]$	$K_{\mu2}[\gamma]$
δR_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

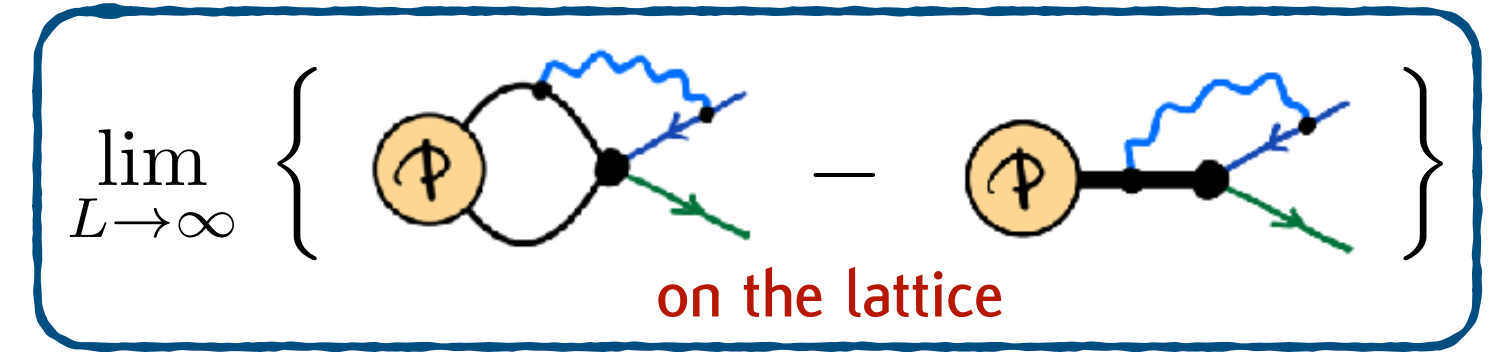
Confirmed by numerical
lattice calculation

A. Desiderio et al., PRD 102 (2021)
R. Frezzotti et al., PRD 103 (2021)

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

Decay rate at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$

Virtual decay rate



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

PDG convention

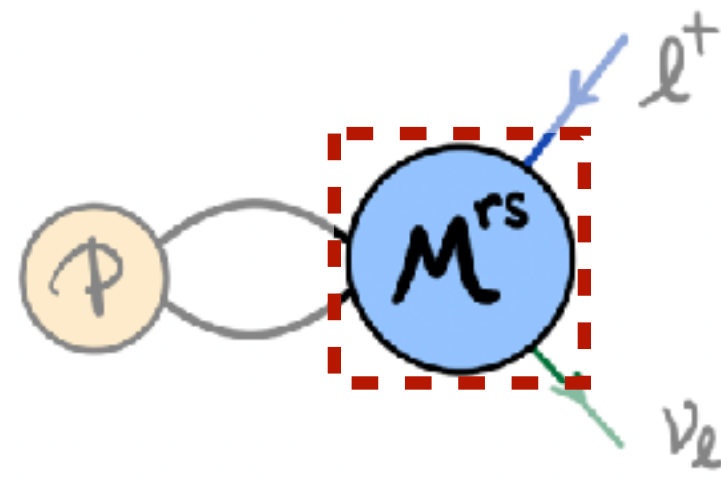
- $\delta \mathcal{A}_P$ correction to the **bare matrix element** $\mathcal{M}_P^{rs}(\mathbf{p}_\ell) = \langle \ell^+, r, \mathbf{p}_\ell; \nu_\ell, s, \mathbf{p}_\nu | O_W | P^+, \mathbf{0} \rangle$
- δm_P correction to the **meson mass**
- $\delta \mathcal{Z}$ correction to the **renormalization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

MDC et al., PRD 100 (2019)
MDC et al., [1911.00938]

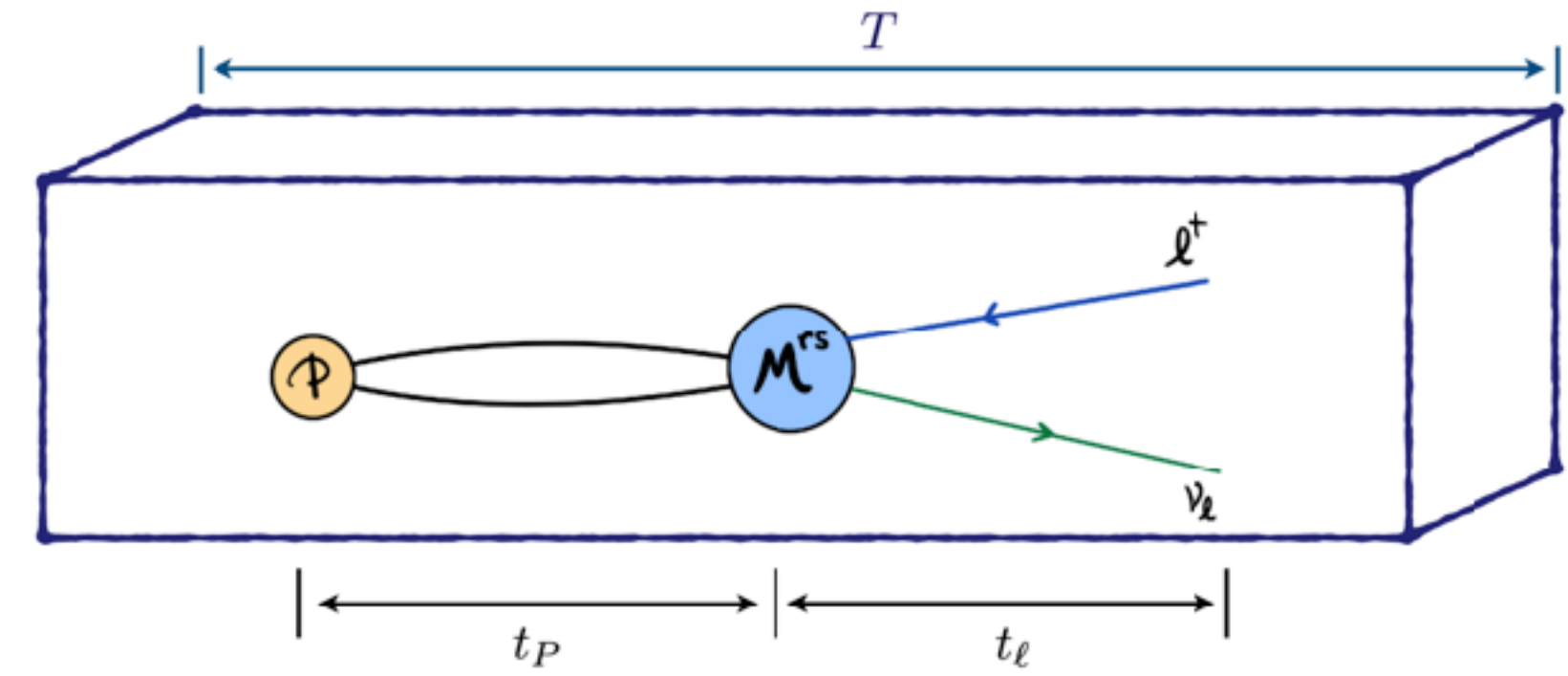
1. cancels in the ratio $\Gamma(K_{\ell 2})/\Gamma(\pi_{\ell 2})$ (if mass-indep. renormalization scheme is used)
2. same correction contributes also to semileptonic decays

From Euclidean lattice correlators to matrix elements

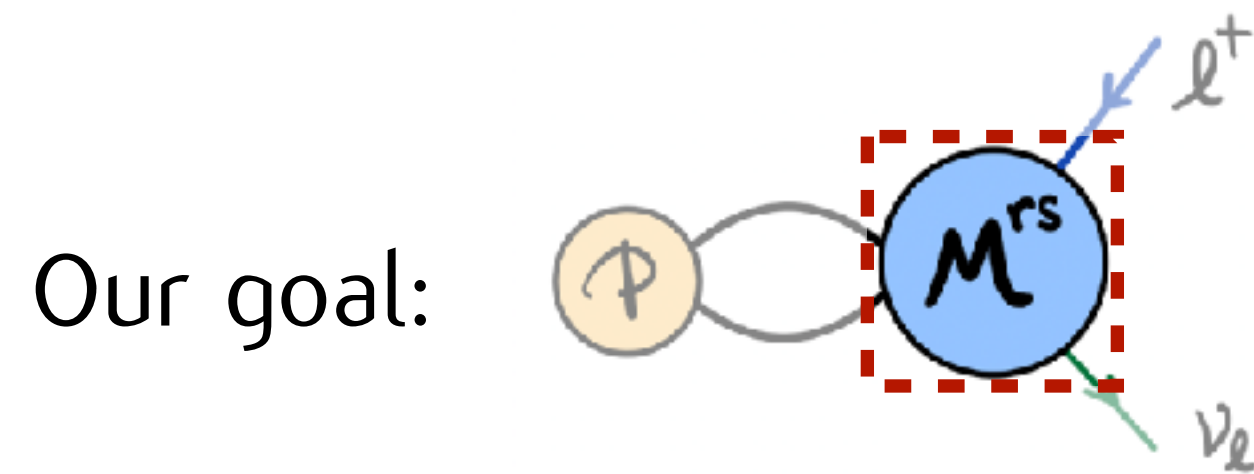
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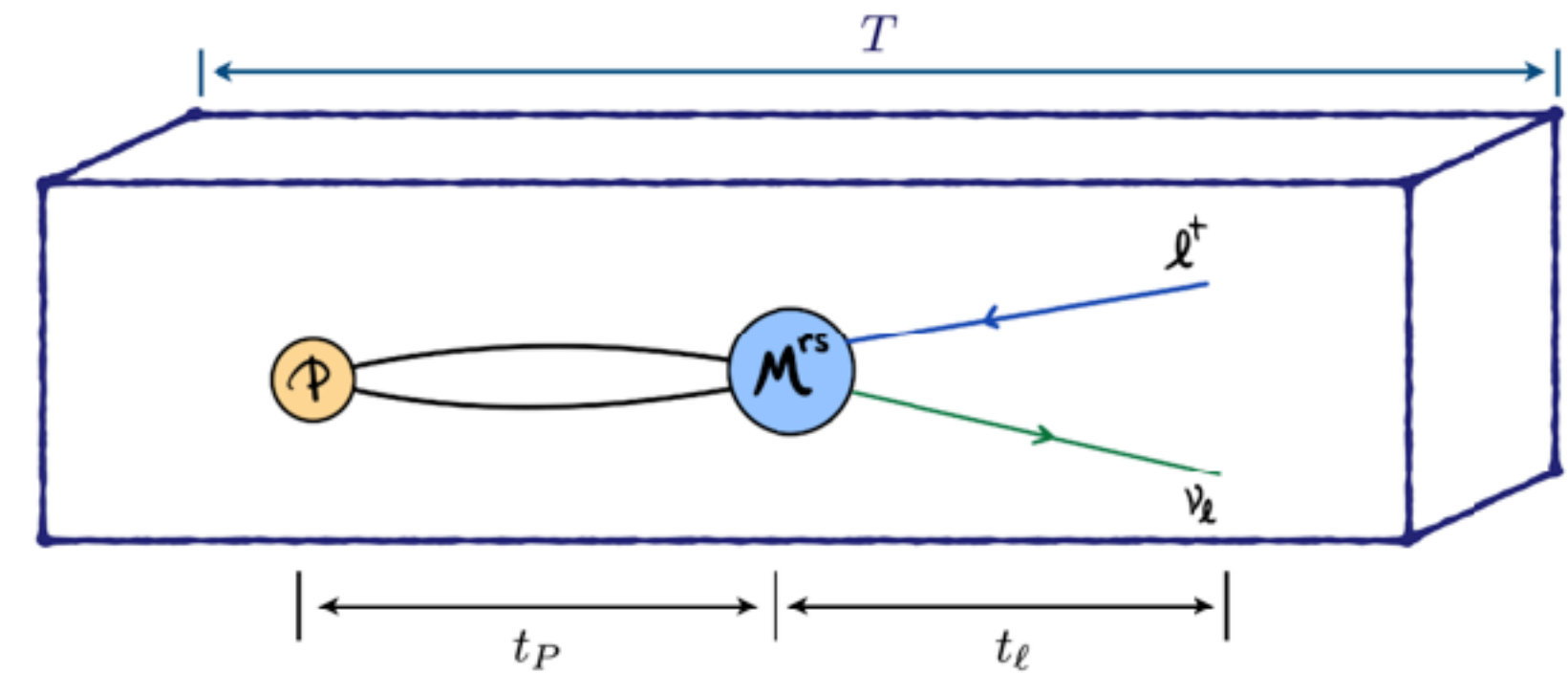
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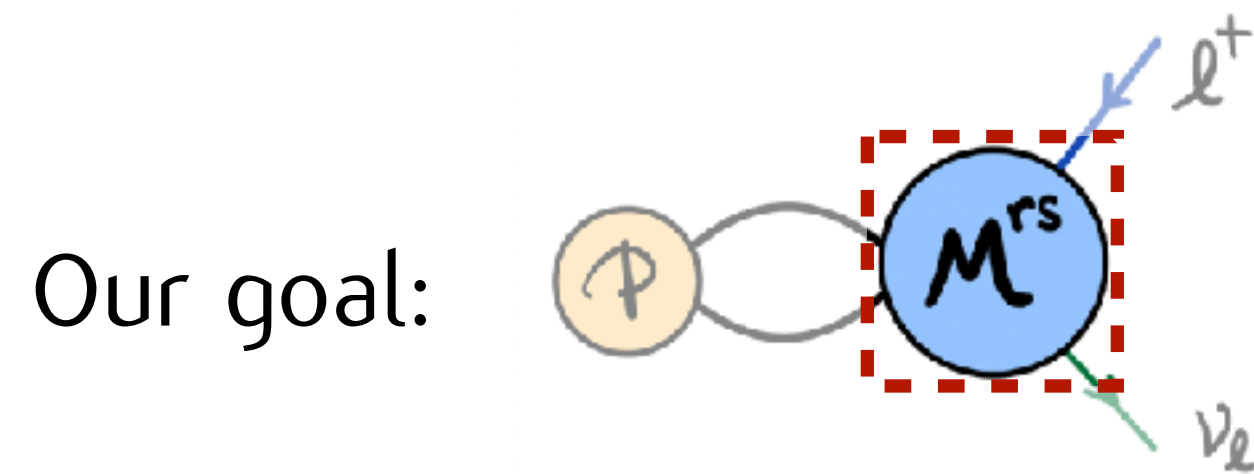


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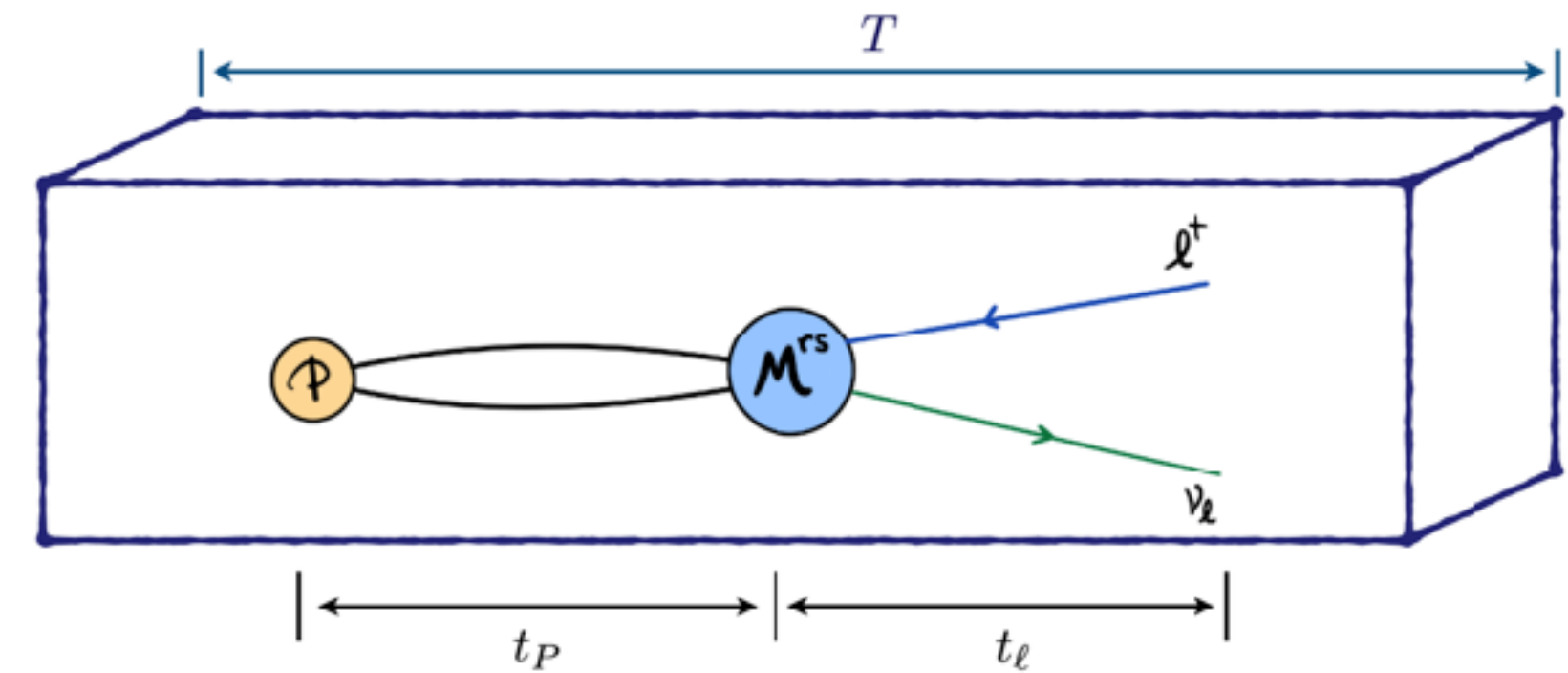
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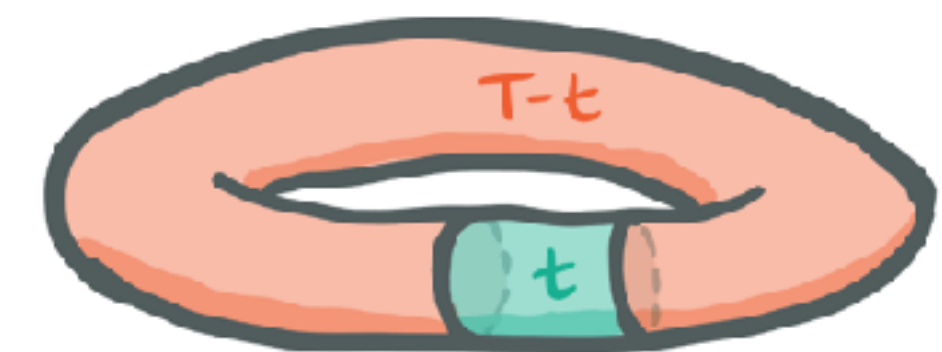
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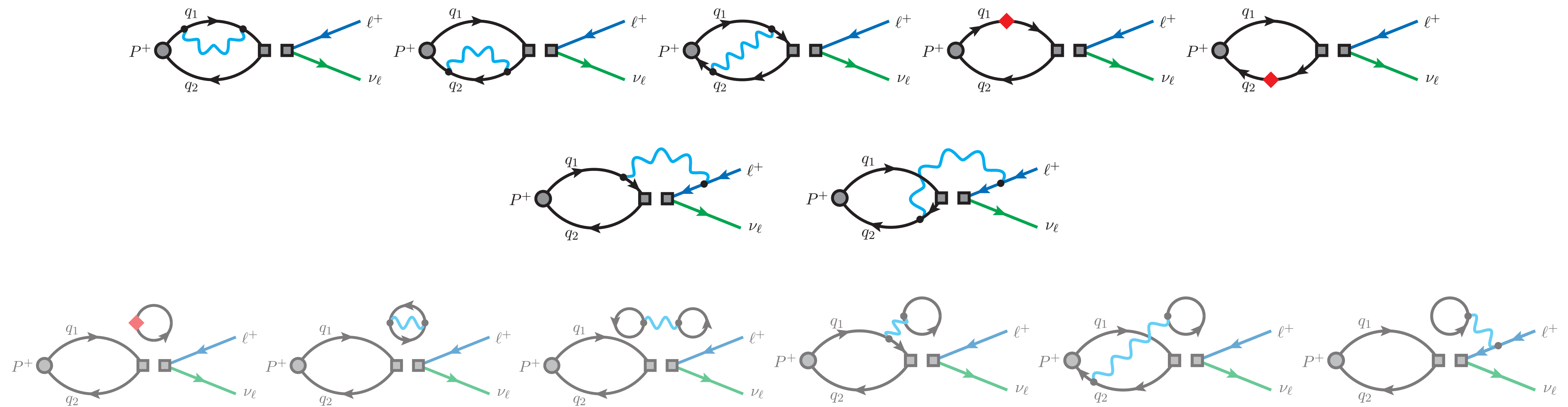
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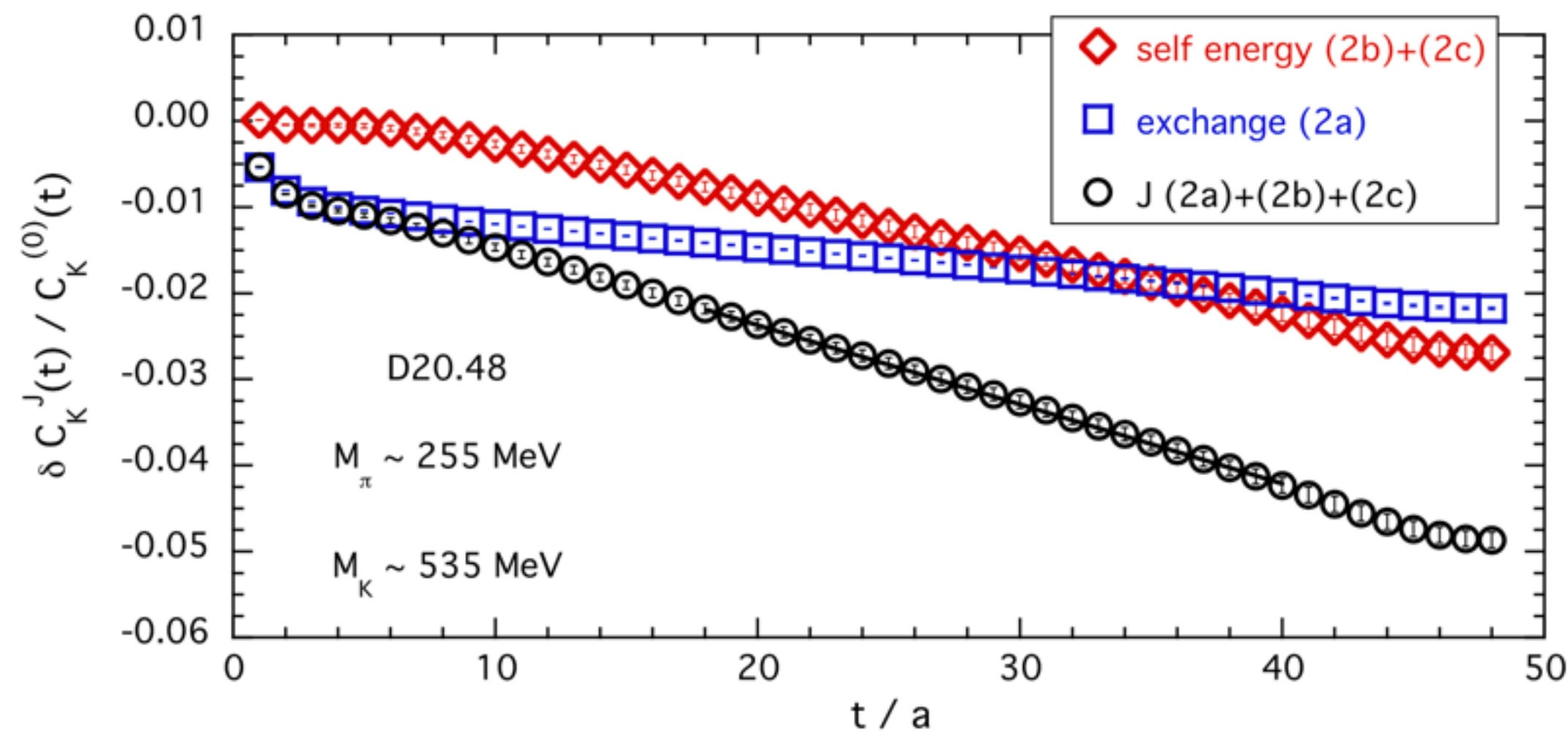
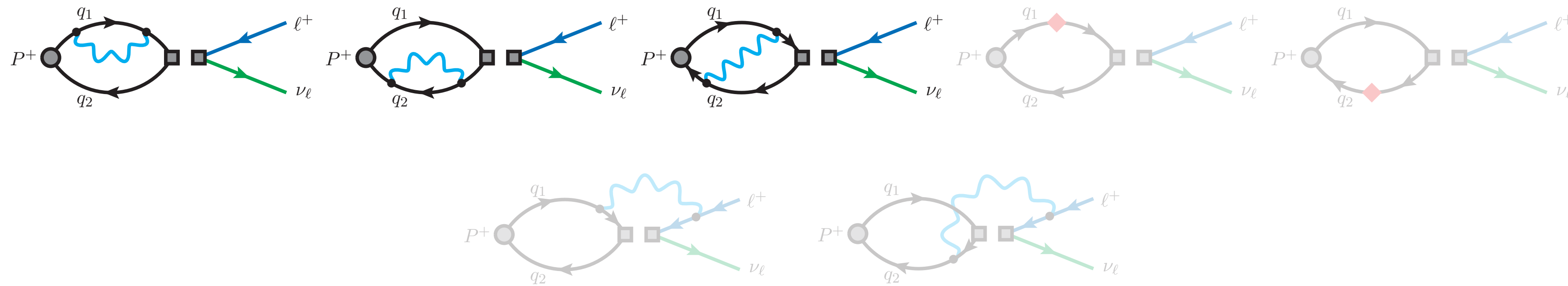


Both RM123S and RBC-UKQCD calculations are performed in the electro-quenched approximation:
sea quarks electrically neutral

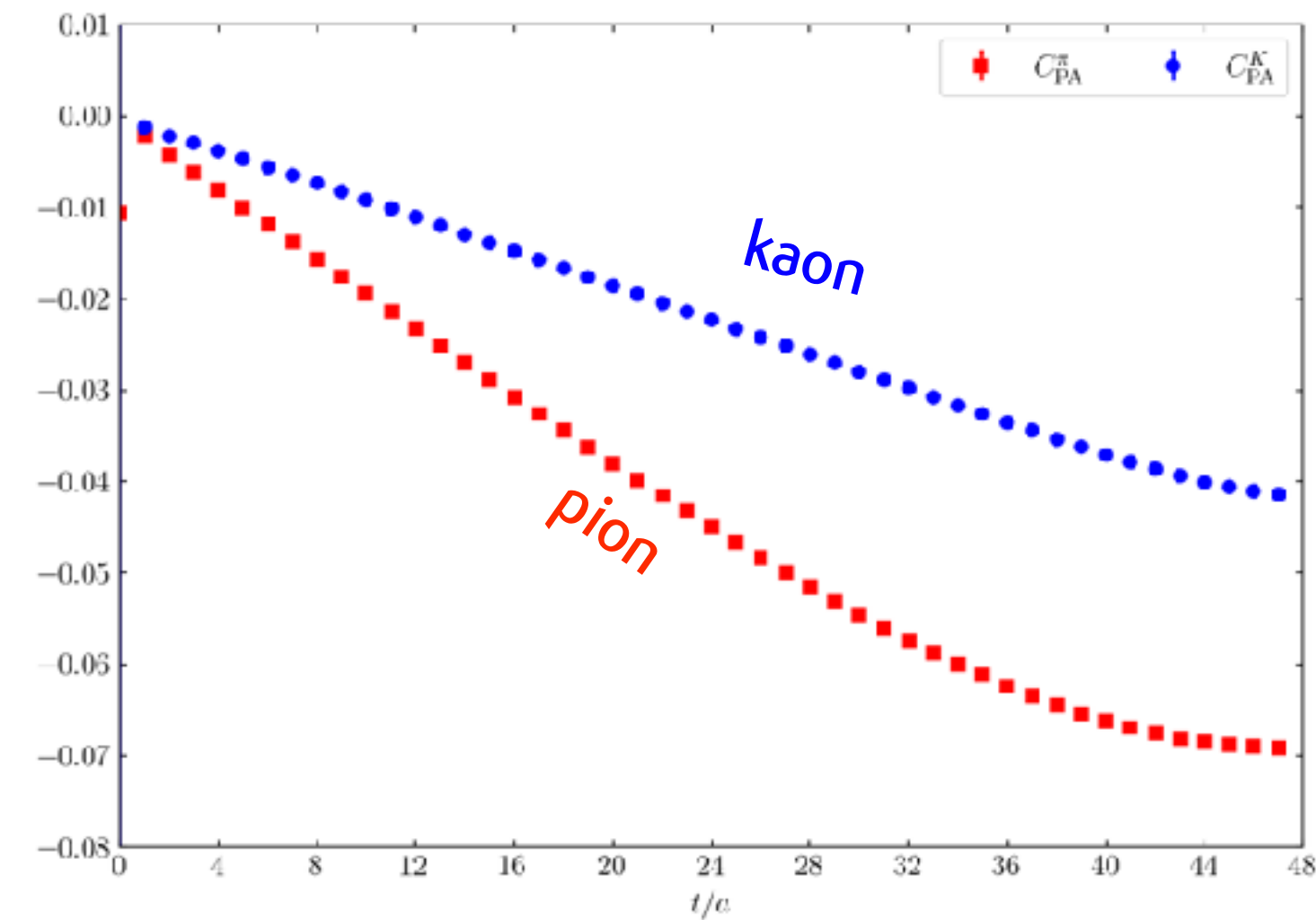
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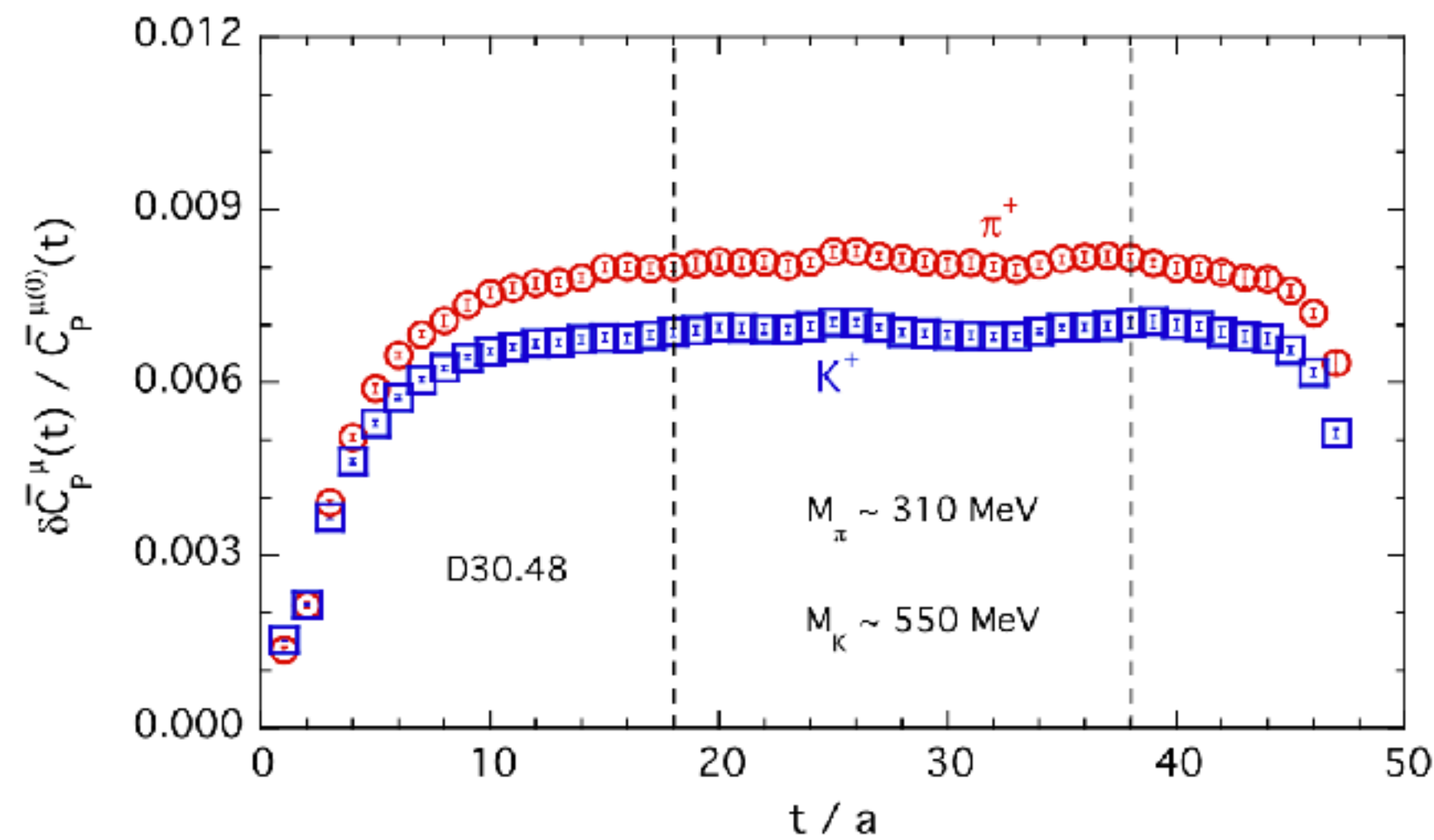
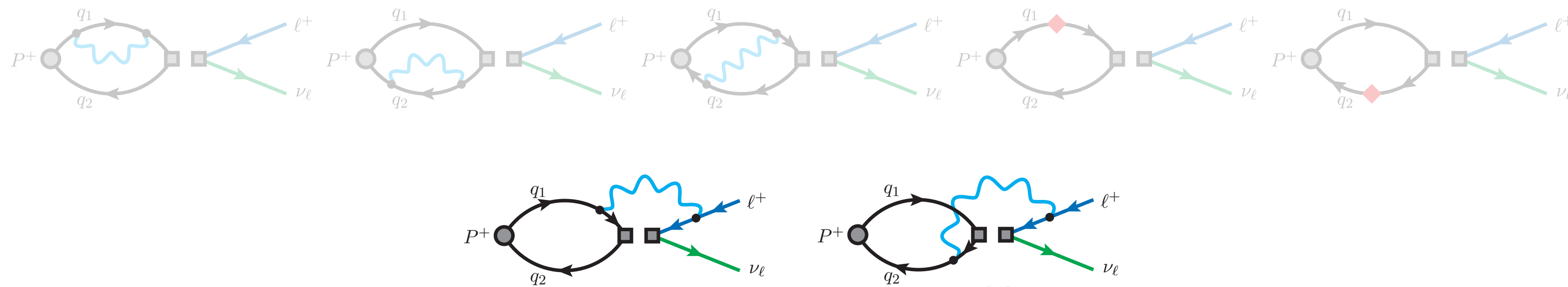


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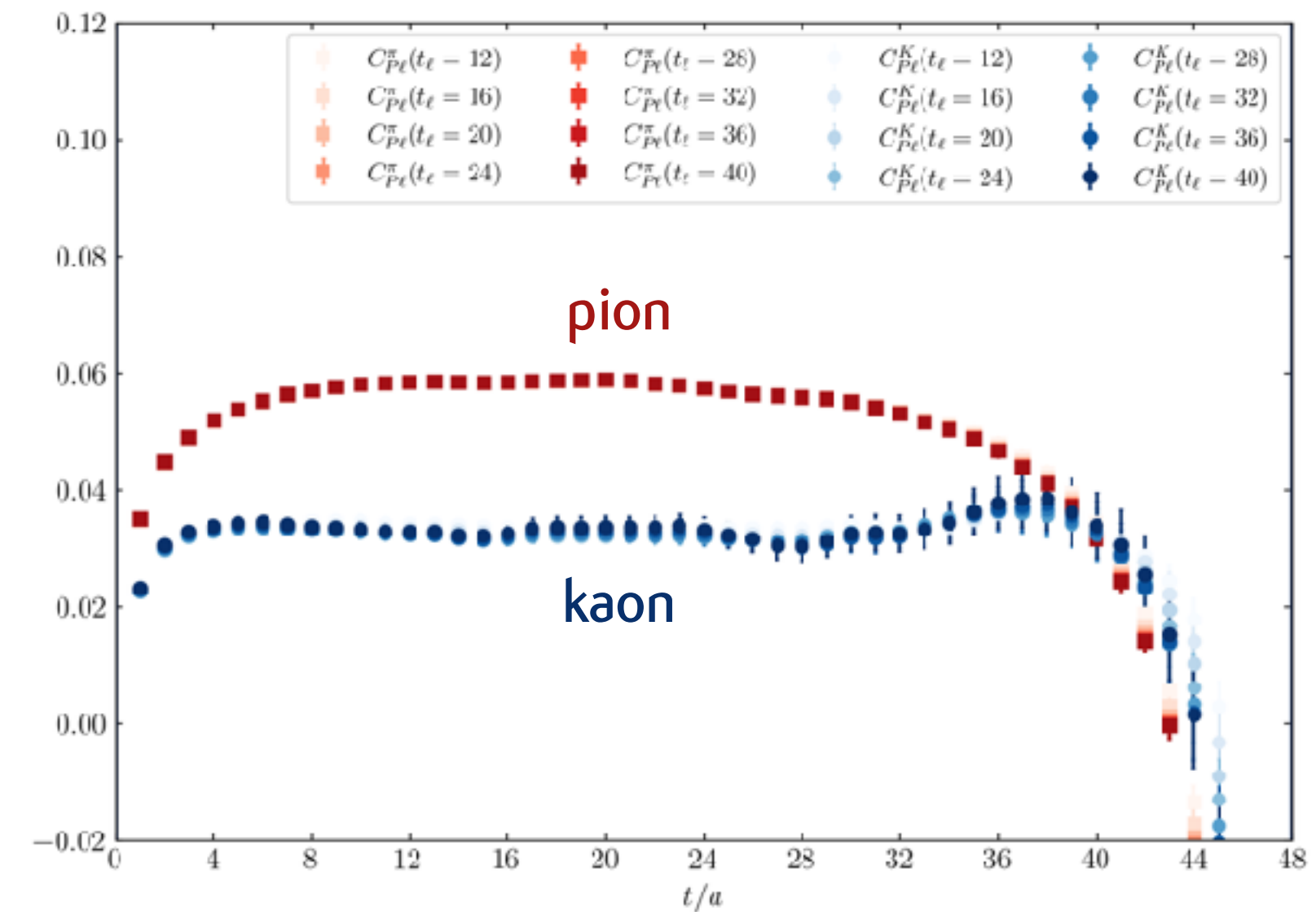
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Results for $\delta R_{K\pi}$

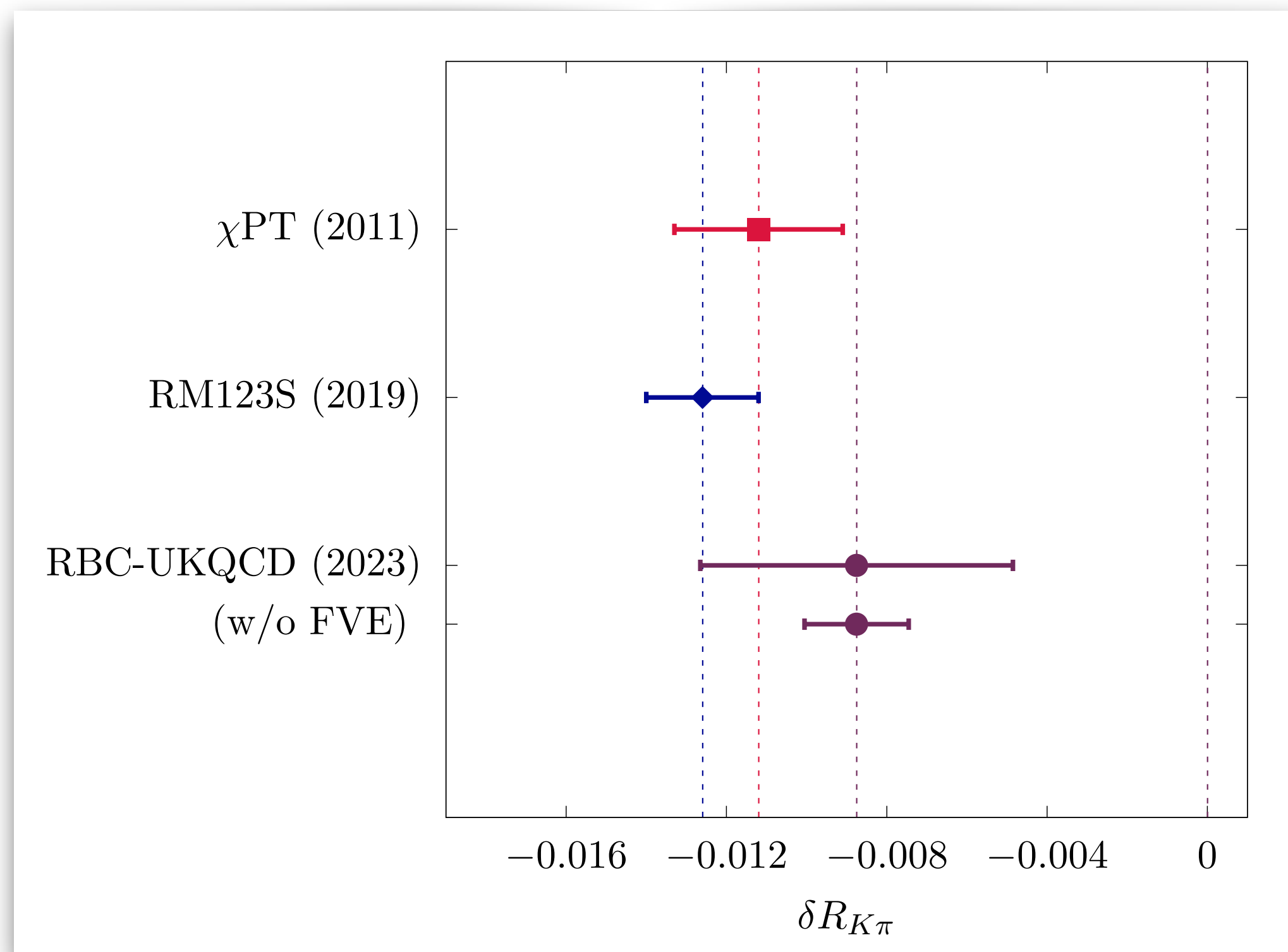
V. Cirigliano et al., PLB 700 (2011)

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- $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0112 (21)$
- ◆ $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0126 (14)$
- $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0086 (13)(39)_{\text{vol.}}$

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



- Strong evidence that $\delta R_{K\pi}$ can be computed from first principles non-perturbatively on the lattice!
- Results highlight crucial role of finite-volume effects: ongoing effort to tame such systematic uncertainty
- Errors on $|V_{us}|/|V_{ud}|$ from theoretical inputs can become comparable with those from experiments

Finite-volume effects in QED_L

Leptonic decay rate

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

N. Tantalo et al., [1612.00199v2]

MDC et al., PRD 105 (2022)

$$\Gamma_0(L) = \Gamma_0^{\text{tree}} \left\{ 1 + 2 \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} Y(L) \right\}$$

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$m_\pi L \approx 3.9$

≈ -3.96
 ≈ -2.24
 ≈ 3.37
?

- structure independent ("universal") terms ✓
- structure dependent contribution at $O(1/L^2)$ ✓
- sizeable pointlike contribution at $O(1/L^3)$ ✓
- higher order effects ✗

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

An estimate of the error budget

$$\frac{|V_{us}|}{|V_{ud}|} = \left[\frac{\Gamma(K^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu[\gamma])}{\Gamma(\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \nu_\mu[\gamma])} \frac{m_K}{m_\pi} \frac{(m_\pi^2 - m_\mu^2)}{(m_K^2 - m_\mu^2)} \right]_{\text{exp}}^{1/2} \frac{f_{\pi,0}}{f_{K,0}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \delta R_{K\pi} \right)$$

- From RM123+Soton calculation: $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0126 (14)$

$[f_{K,0}/f_{\pi,0}]$	$ V_{us}/V_{ud} $
FLAG19 2+1+1 average 1.1966 (18)	0.23131 (28) _{exp} (17) _{δR} (35) _{f_P}

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

- ▶ the uncertainty on $[f_{K,0}/f_{\pi,0}]$ dominates in the error budget
- ▶ if improved, precision from lattice becomes competitive with experiments

Future steps for leptonic decays

There's room for improvements, achievable in the next few years.

Most importantly:

1. improve control of QED_L finite-volume effects

- new QED_r formulation proposed: unknown effects pushed to $O(1/L^4)$

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- ongoing calculation with QED_∞ method: exponentially suppressed effects

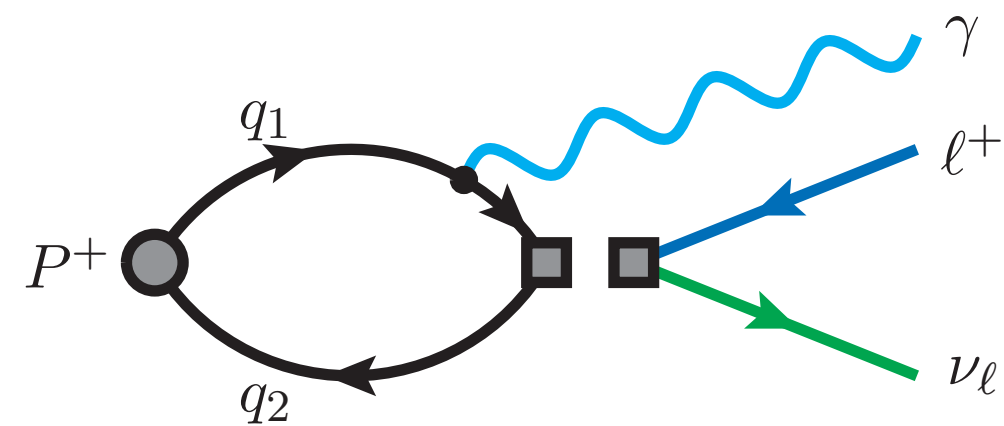
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2. improve iso-QCD calculations of decay constants

3. include electromagnetic and strong IB effects from sea quarks ("electro-unquenching")

Other leptonic decays under study

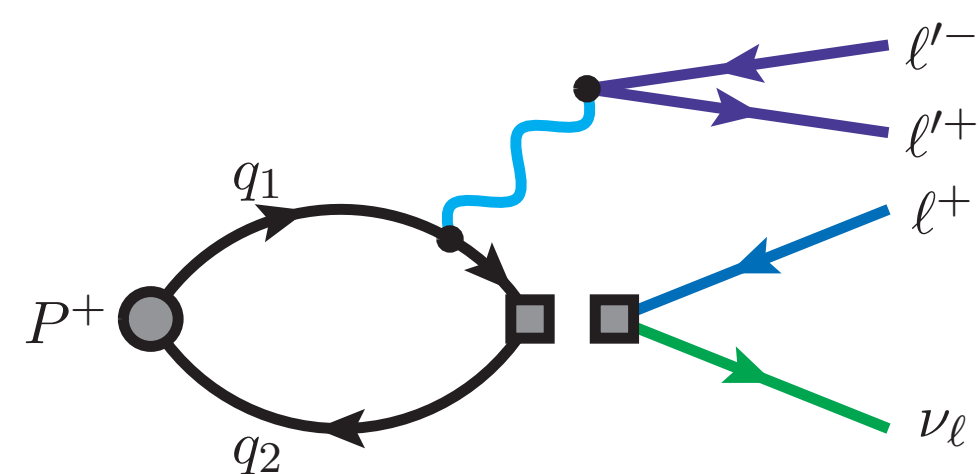
real photon emission



- Lattice evaluations of form factors $F_{V,A}$
- Interesting comparison with experimental results (KLOE, PIBETA, E787, ISTRA+ & OKA) highlights $3-4\sigma$ tensions on $K \rightarrow \mu\nu_\mu\gamma$

G.M.de Divitiis et al., [1908.10160]
 A.Desiderio et al., PRD 102 (2021)
 R.Frezzotti et al., PRD 103 (2021)
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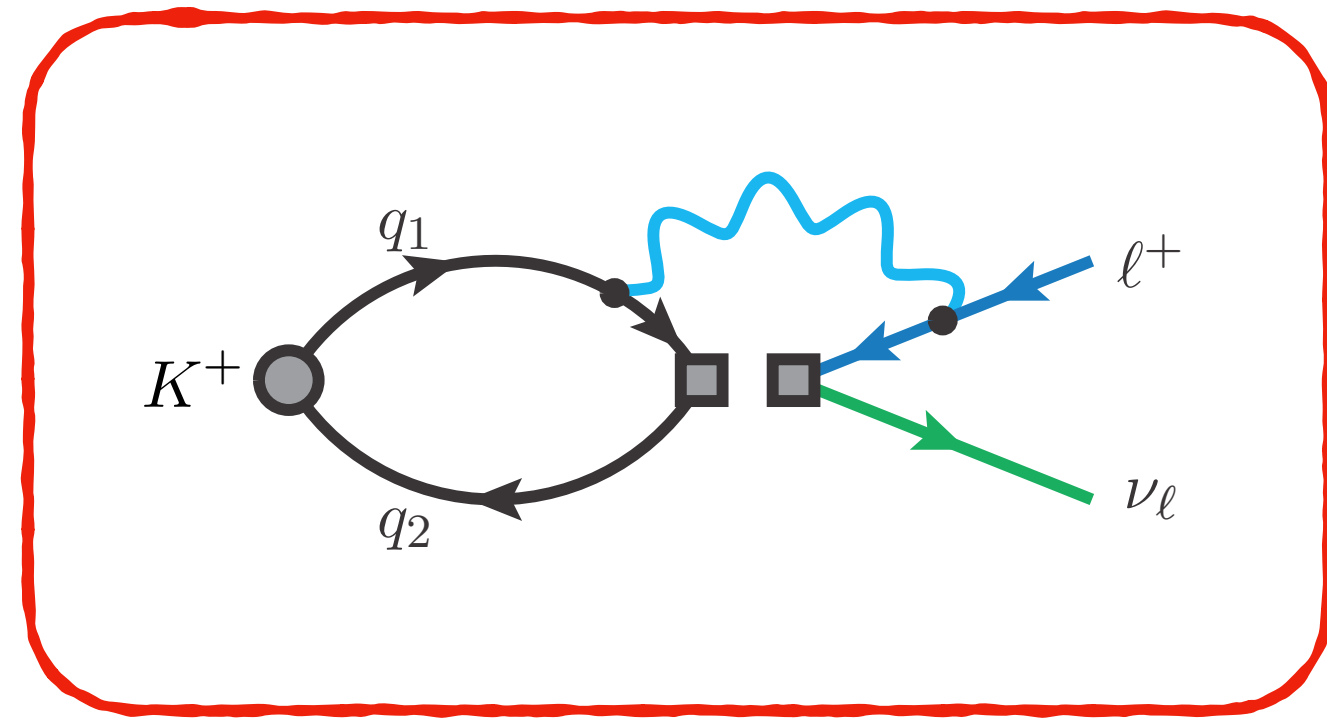
virtual photon emission



- Exploratory calculation of relevant form factors using smeared spectral function reconstruction
- Applied to D_s decay, but extension to K decay is planned

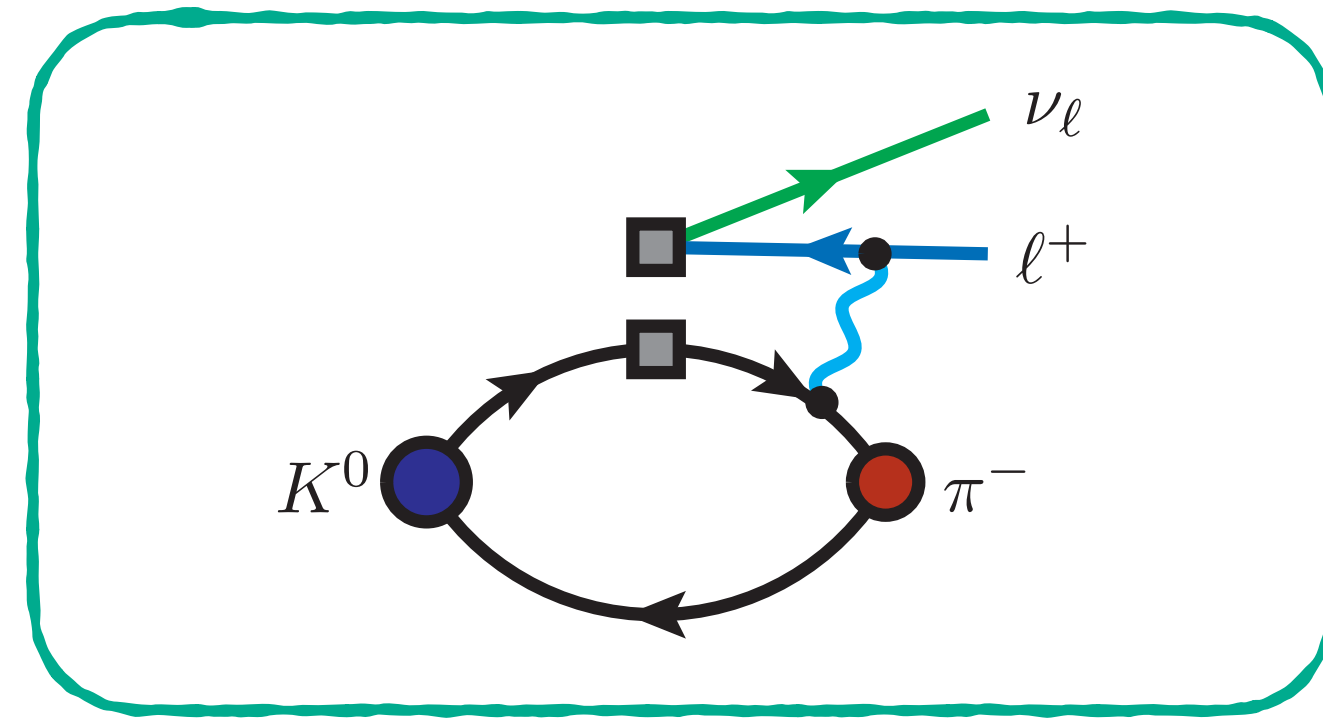
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A look into the future...



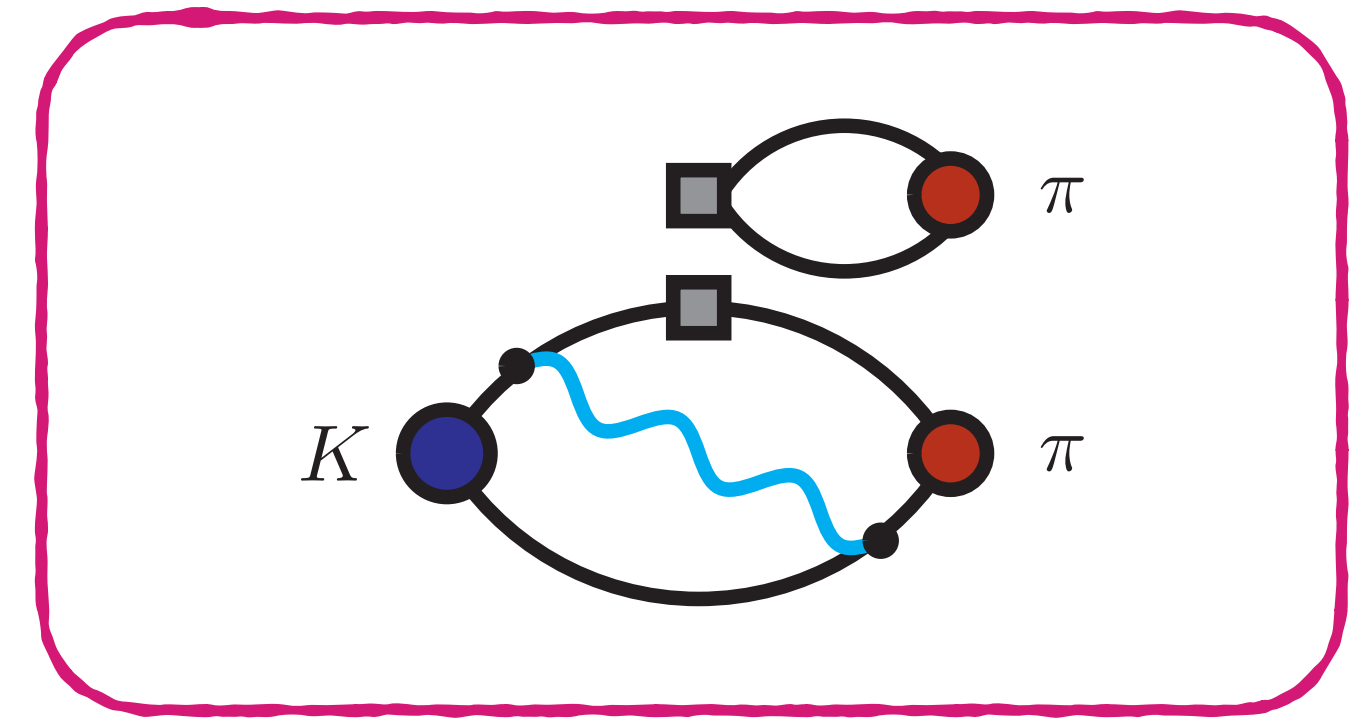
leptonic decays

$$K \rightarrow \ell \nu_\ell$$



semi-leptonic decays

$$K \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu_\ell$$



hadronic decays

$$K \rightarrow \pi \pi$$

today

1–5 years

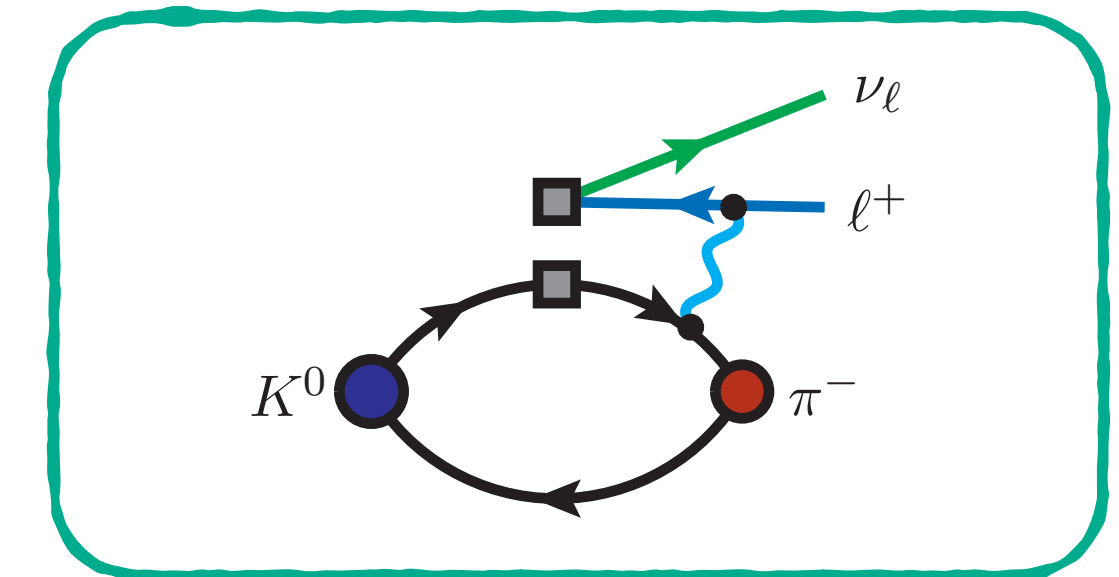
5+ years

Semileptonic kaon decays

Goal: precision determination of $|V_{us}|$ & test of first-row unitarity

Relevance: sub-percent precision on $f^+(0)$ requires inclusion of IB effects

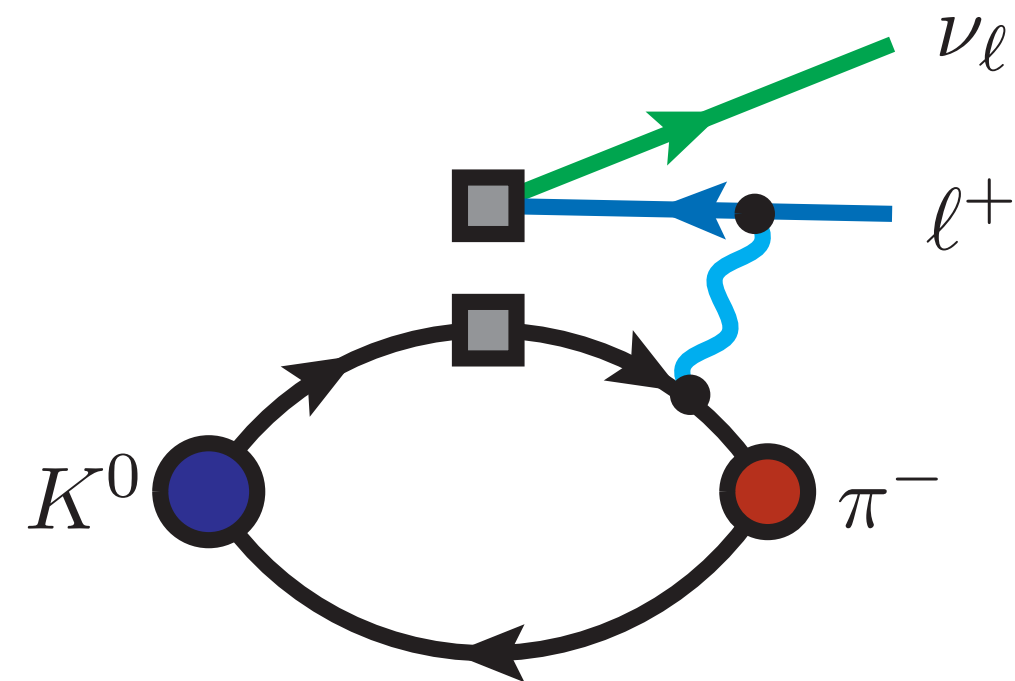
- Status:**
- ▶ no complete lattice QCD+QED calculations
 - ▶ difficulties of finite-volume QED calculations identified
 - ▶ recent proposal using QED $_{\infty}$ method



C.Sachrajda et al., [1910.07342]

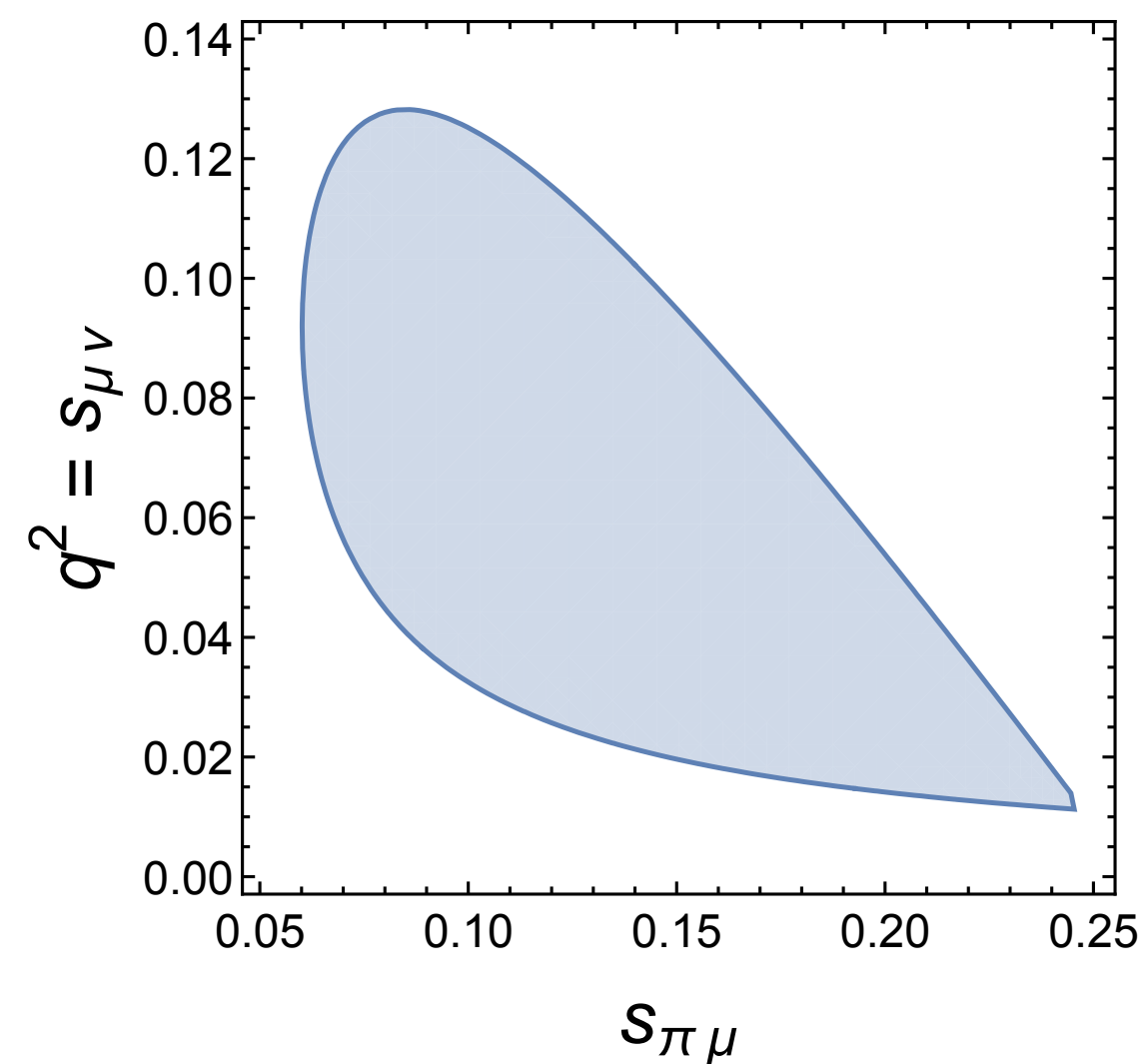
N.Christ et al., [2304.08026] / N.Christ @Lattice2023

QED corrections to semileptonic decays



Although the RM123+Soton method could in principle be applied, additional **difficulties** arise compared to leptonic decays:

- integration over **three-body phase-space**
- problems of **analytical continuation** when intermediate on shell states are lighter than external ones
- evaluating **finite-volume corrections** potentially more complicated

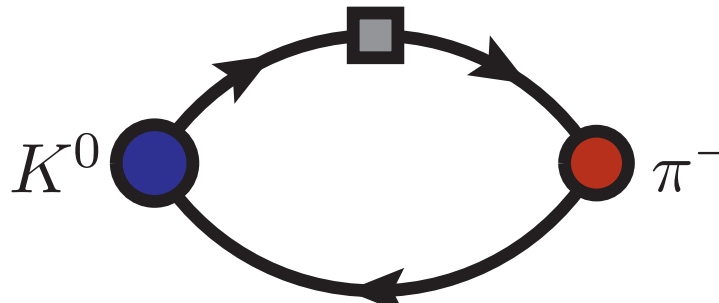


Solutions to these issues are under study by different groups.

Hopefully we'll see progress in the next few years...

Extension of RM123S approach

- Without QED corrections:



The diagram shows a K⁰ meson (blue circle) on the left and a π⁻ meson (red circle) on the right. They are connected by a loop with a square vertex at the top. Arrows indicate the flow of the loop.

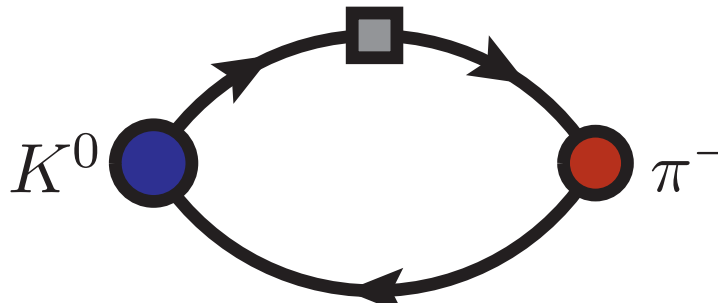
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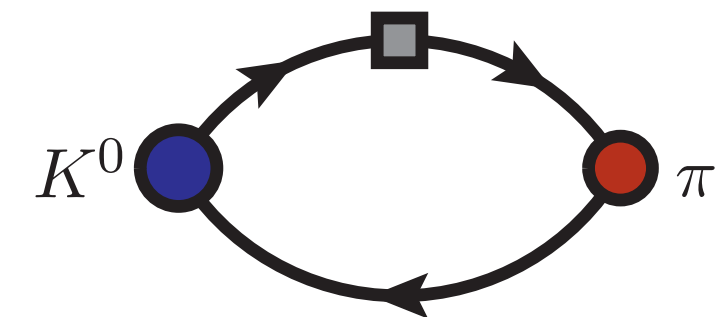
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Extension of RM123S approach

Q: Can experiments provide results for differential decay rates?

- Without QED corrections:



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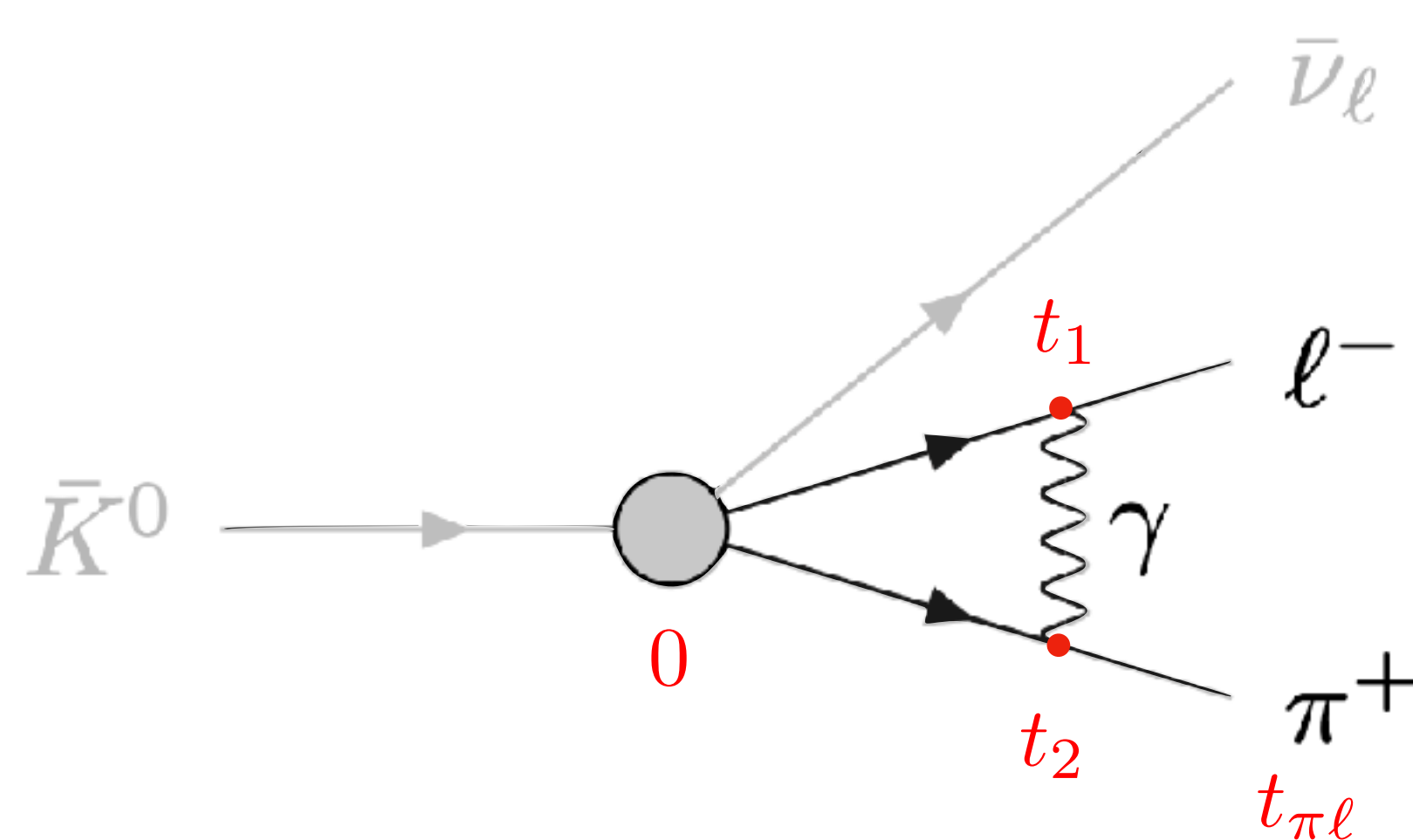
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Appearance of growing exponentials

For generic kinematics, the physical observable cannot be obtained from leading exponentials of Euclidean lattice correlators



$$\int_0^{t_{\pi\ell}} dt_1 dt_2 \longrightarrow \frac{1}{\Delta E} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta\omega_\ell + \omega_k} + \frac{1}{\Delta\omega_\pi + \omega_k} \right) +$$

$$\frac{e^{-t_{\pi\ell} \Delta E}}{\Delta E} \left(\frac{1}{\Delta\omega_\ell - \omega_k} + \frac{1}{\Delta\omega_\pi - \omega_k} \right) + \dots$$

with $\Delta E = E_{\text{int}} - E_{\text{ext}}$ and $\omega_k = |\mathbf{k}|$

- generates growing exponentials if $\Delta E = E_{\text{int}} - E_{\text{ext}} < 0$
- they need to be identified and subtracted to get physical amplitude
- however, there might be a corner of the phase space where this issue does not arise

A recent proposal with QED_∞

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

These are long-distance issues that could be treated using a recently proposed method called "infinite-volume reconstruction" (IVR)

Radiative corrections = convolution of **hadronic correlators** with **infinite-volume QED kernels**

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

Separate correlator into short and long distance parts:

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

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



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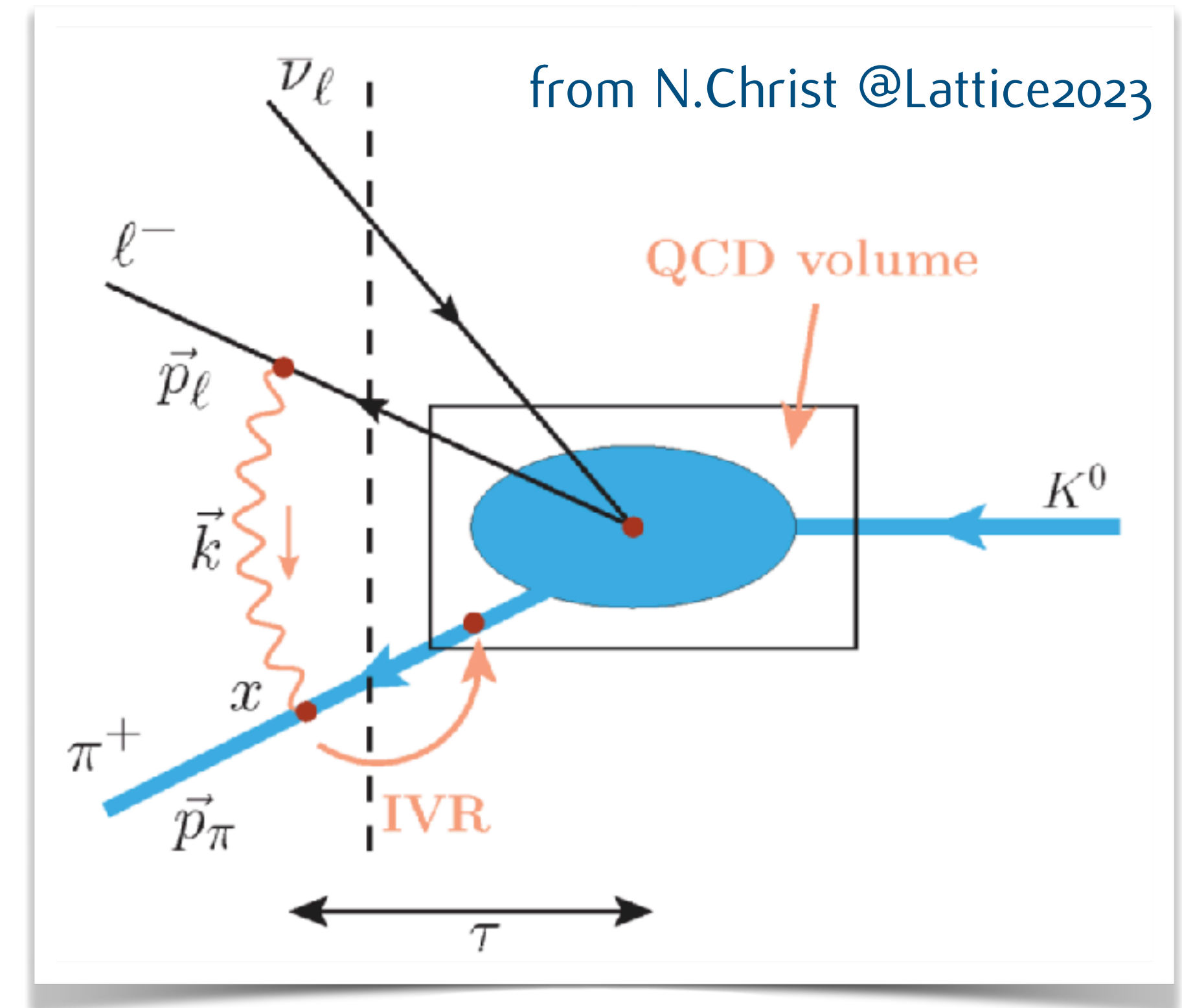
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Recipe for semileptonic (and leptonic) decays:

- work in Minkowski space-time + analytic QED
- compute short distance in finite Euclidean volume
- use IVR for long-distance single pion propagation

Difficult but potentially promising...

- ▶ no growing exponentials
- ▶ exponentially suppressed finite-volume effects
- ▶ simple cancellation of IR divergences
- ▶ separation of scales
- ▶ modelling of long-distance QCD

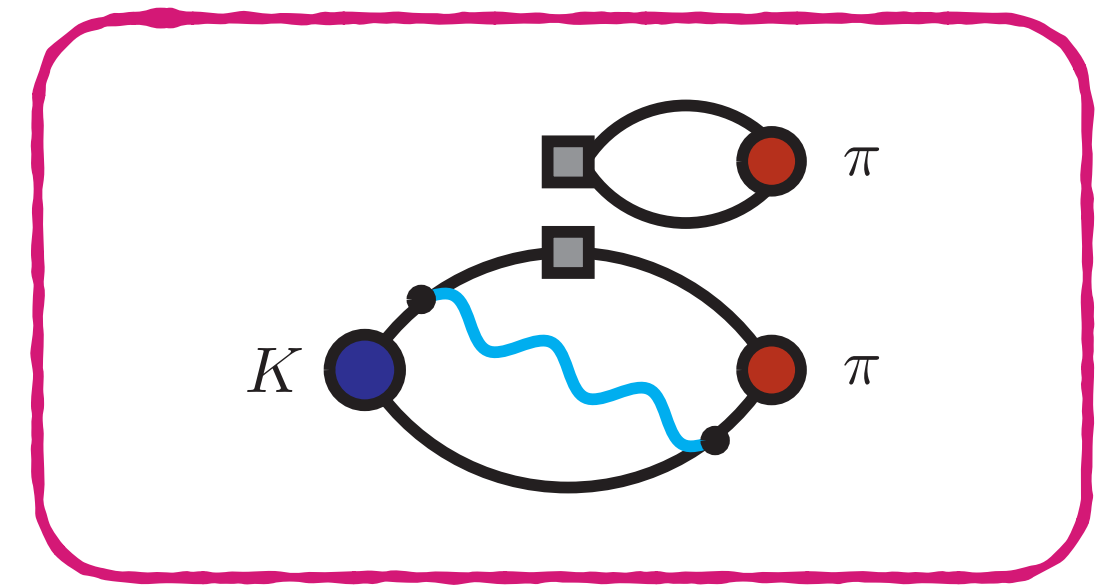


Hadronic kaon decays

Goal: precision determination of $\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$ & study of CP violation

Relevance: IB effects will be dominant source of systematic error, once continuum limit will be performed (work in progress)

- Status:**
- ▶ no complete lattice QCD+QED calculation
 - ▶ lattice QCD calculations by RBC-UKQCD collaboration
 - ▶ strategy for calculation of IB effects proposed
 - ▶ first step: Coulomb corrections to $\pi^+\pi^+$ scattering



R.Abbott et al., PRD 102 (2020)

Z.Bai et al., PRL 115 (2015)

N.Christ et al., PRD 106 (2022)

N.Christ & X.Feng, EPJ Web Conf. 175 (2018)

Y.Cai & Z.Davoudi, [1812.11015]

Current status of ϵ'/ϵ

If isospin-symmetry is conserved, then the CP violation parameters can be expressed as

$$\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon} = \frac{ie^{i(\delta_2 - \delta_0)}}{\sqrt{2}\epsilon} \frac{\text{Re}(A_2)}{\text{Re}(A_0)} \left[\frac{\text{Im}(A_2)}{\text{Re}(A_2)} - \frac{\text{Im}(A_0)}{\text{Re}(A_0)} \right]$$

$$A_I = \langle (\pi\pi)_I | H_W^{\Delta S=1} | K \rangle$$

$$\delta_I = \pi\pi \text{ scattering phase shifts}$$

$$(I = \text{isospin})$$

1. RBC-UKQCD performed first calculation of ϵ' in 2015

Z.Bai et al., PRL 115 (2015)

2. Improved result in 2020: 3.5x more statistics + improved systematics

R.Abbott et al., PRD 102 (2020)

lattice: $\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon) = 21.7 (2.6)_{\text{stat.}} (8.0)_{\text{sys.}} \times 10^{-4}$

experiments: $\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon) = 16.6 (2.3) \times 10^{-4}$

Systematic error budget (from C.Kelly @Lattice2023)

- (~12%) Perturbation theory in Wilson coeffs to match 3f – 4f weak EFT at m_c
 - Improve with 4f calculation (active charm) : computationally infeasible?
 - Non-perturbative calculation of matching matrix : investigation underway

[M.Tomii, PoS LATTICE2018 (2019) 216]

- (~23%) Lack of EM+isospin-breaking contributions in lattice calculation
 - Lattice measurement of these effects extremely challenging but approach is being formulated.

[Phys.Rev.D 106 (2022) 1, 014508]

[Christ, PoS LATTICE2021 (2022) 312]

estimated using χ PT results

V.Cirigliano et al., JHEP 02 (2020)

- (~12%) Use of single lattice spacing to compute $l=0$ amplitude
 - Repeat calculation with multiple, finer lattice spacings: **my current focus**

Intense work by RBC-UKQCD to reduce ~12% error due to use of single lattice spacing

—> IB correction will soon become relevant!

Isospin-breaking corrections

IB corrections are usually $O(1\%)$, but the " $\Delta I = 1/2$ rule" can give a $\sim 20x$ enhancement in ϵ'/ϵ

A calculation of these effects is very challenging!

- ▶ Lüscher & Lellouch-Lüscher formalisms that relate finite-volume quantities (energy levels & correlation functions) to infinite-volume observables (scattering phase shifts & decay amplitudes) need to be corrected for long range QED interactions
- ▶ $\pi\pi$ final states with $I = 0$ and $I = 2$ are not independent anymore and can mix: it's a coupled two-channel problem

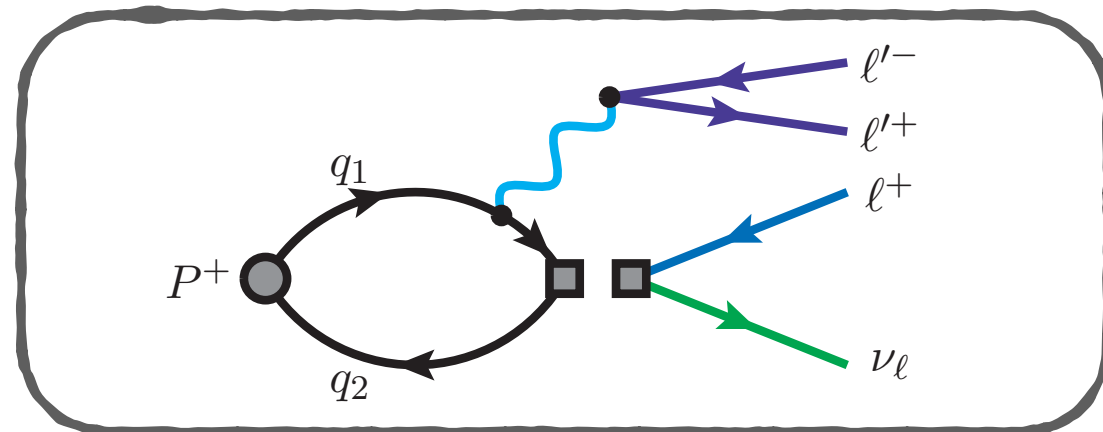
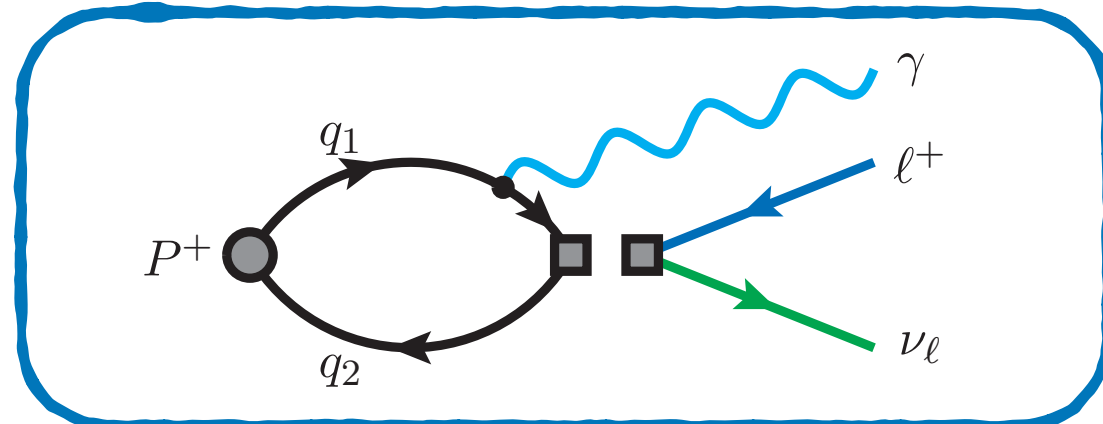
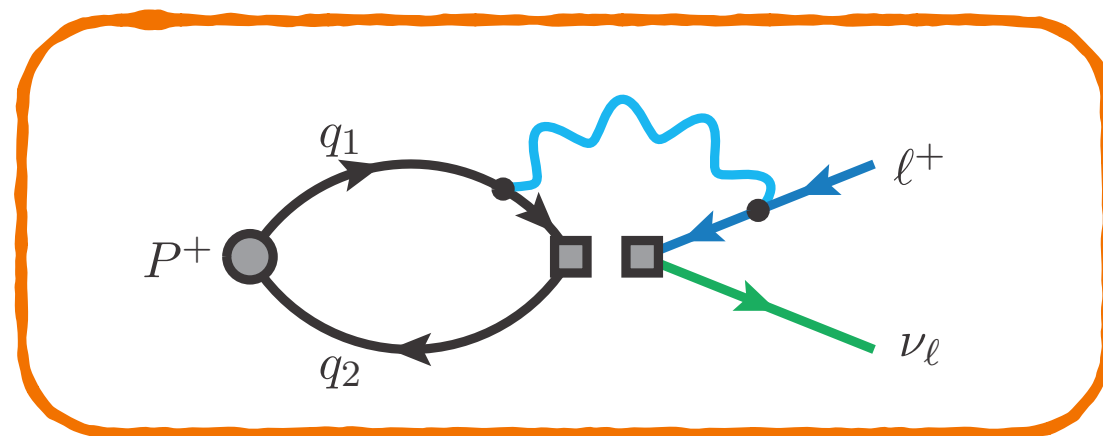
First step done: include QED corrections from Coulomb interaction to $\pi^+\pi^+$ scattering phase shift

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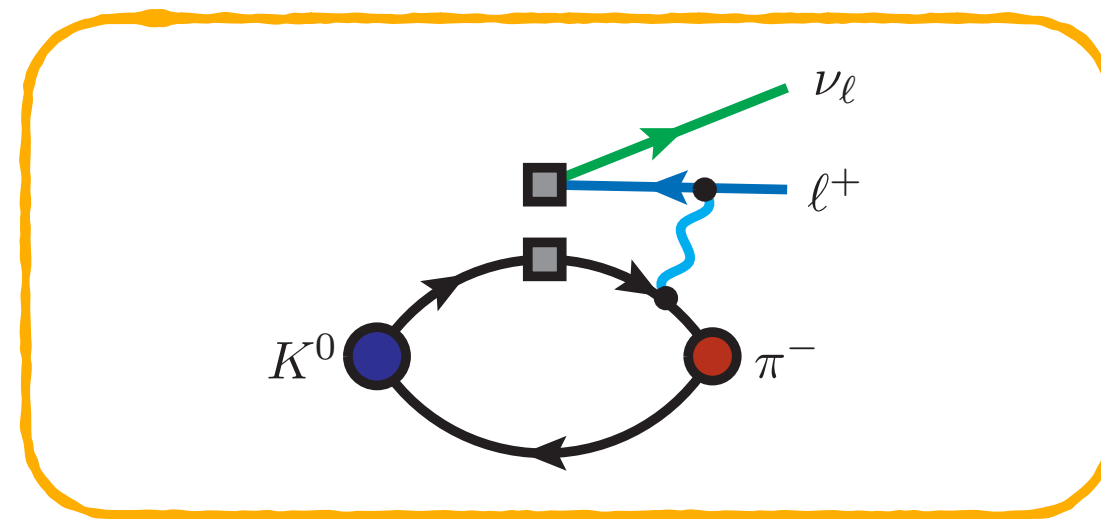
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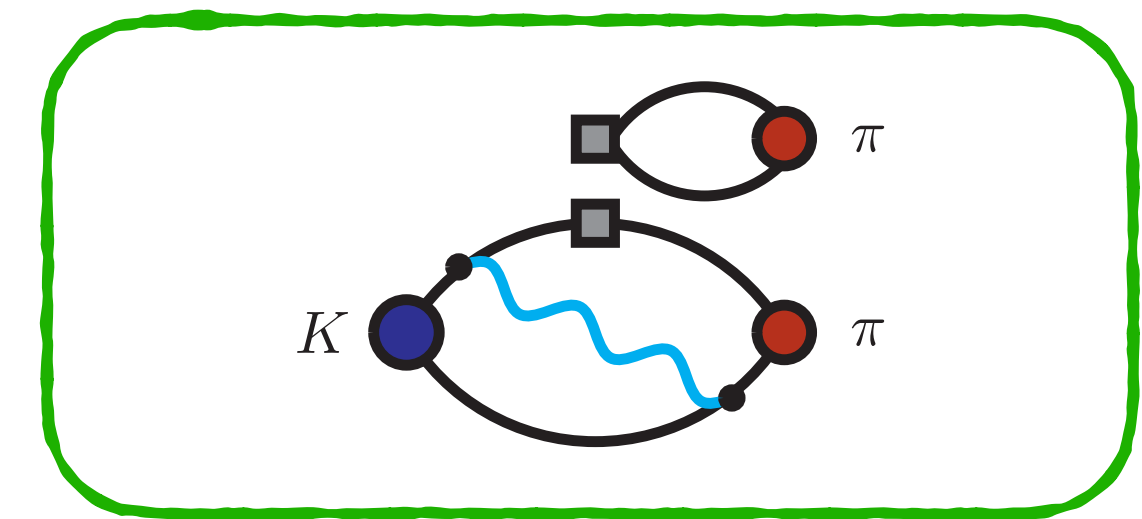
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leptonic decays



semileptonic decays



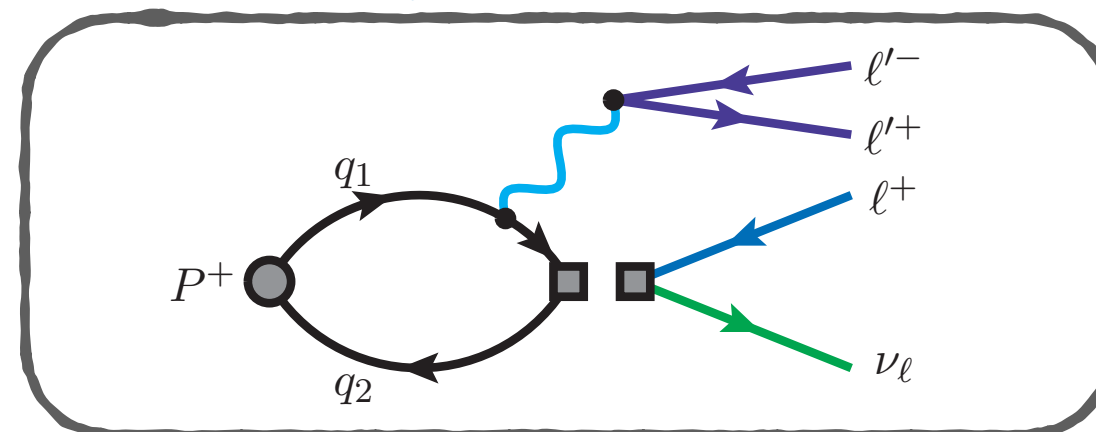
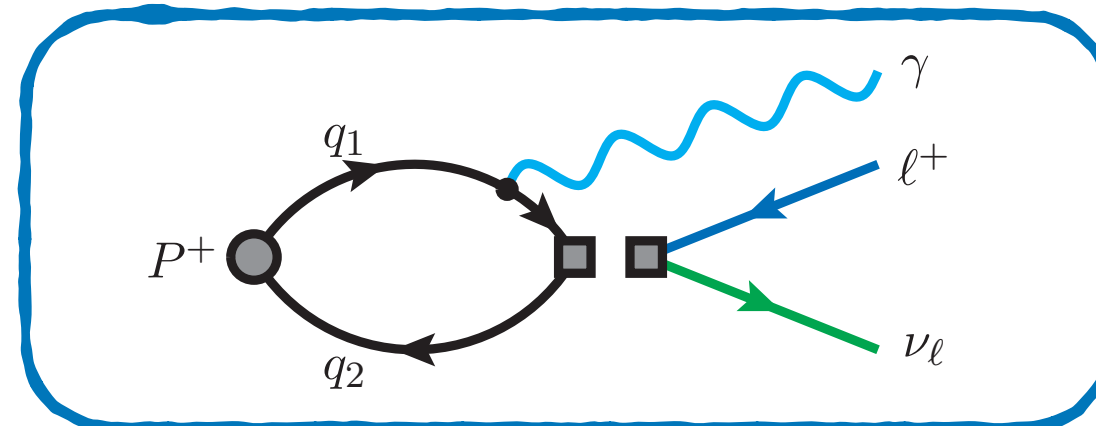
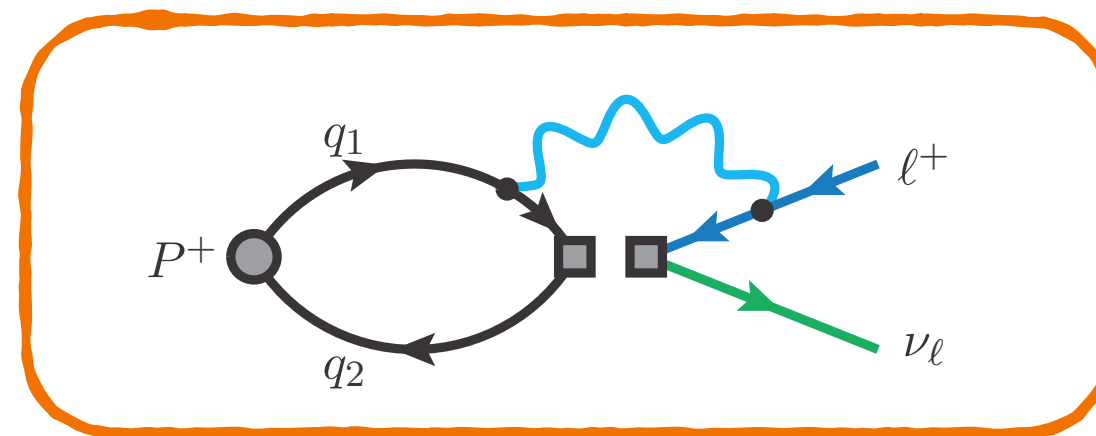
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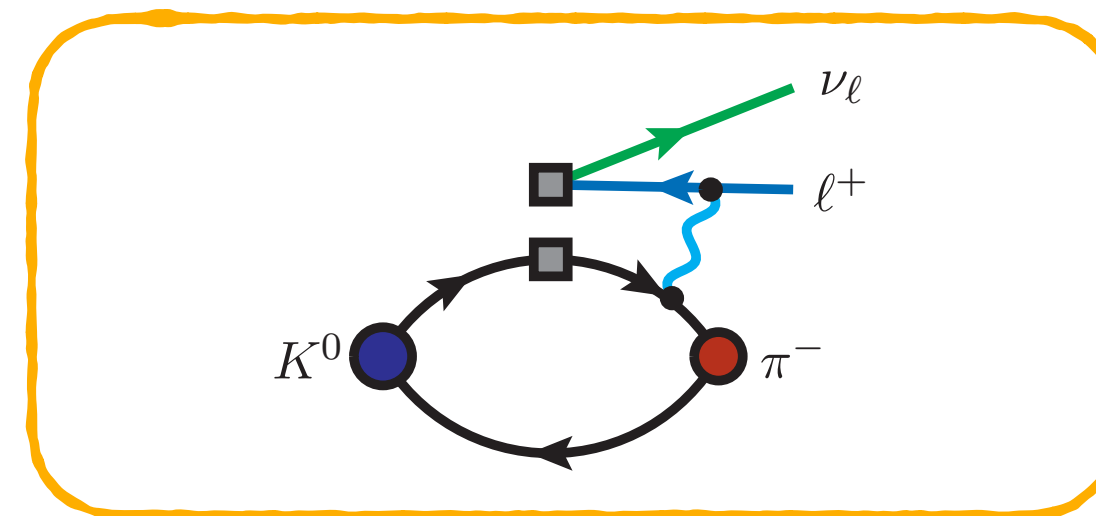
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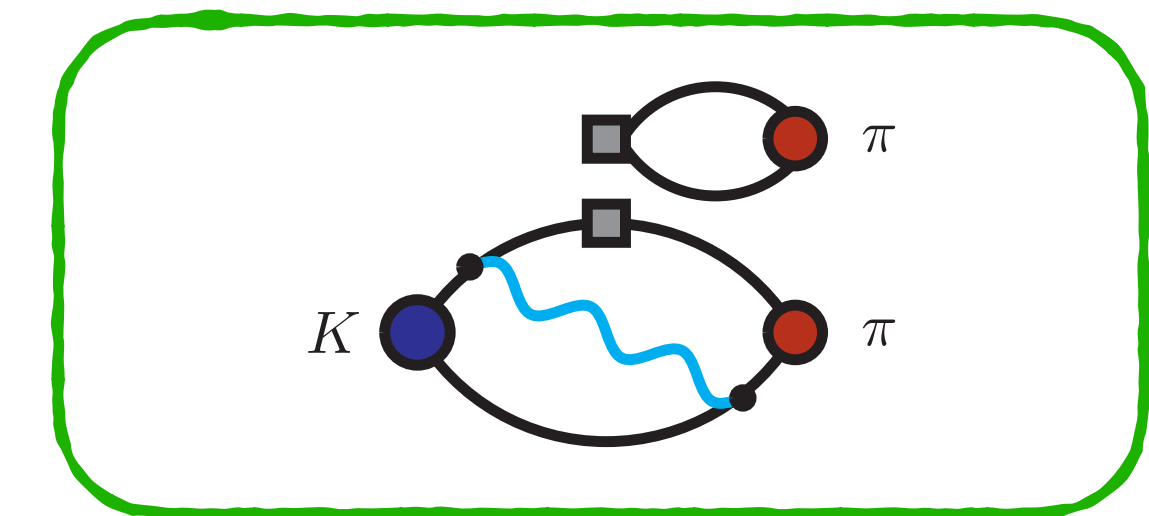
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... an interesting future ahead!

today

1–5 years

5+ years

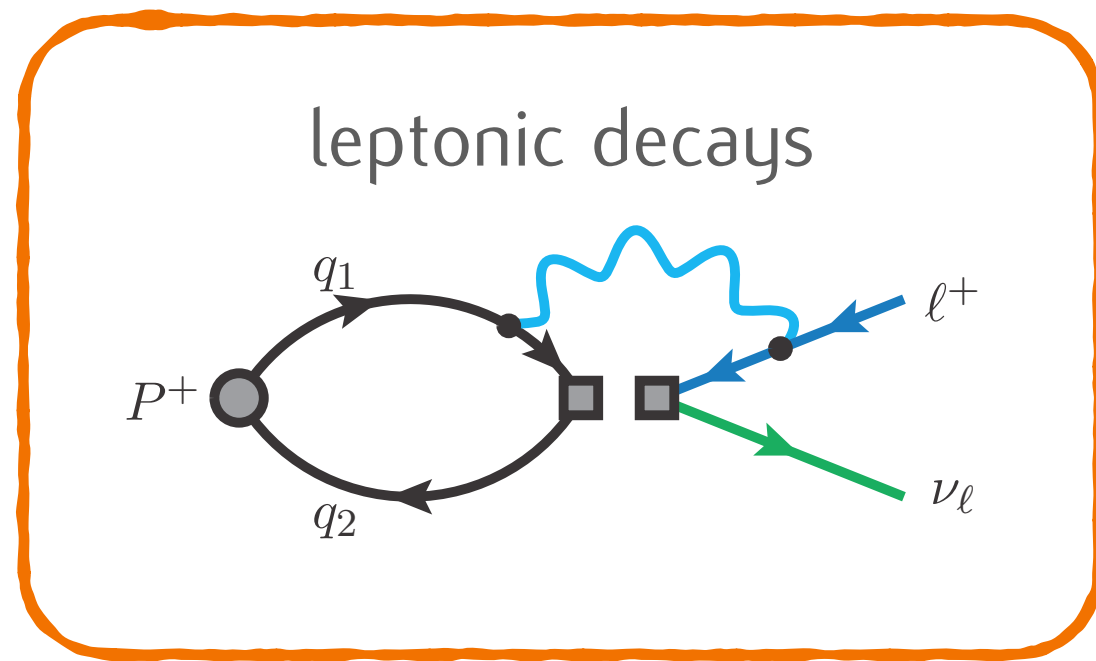
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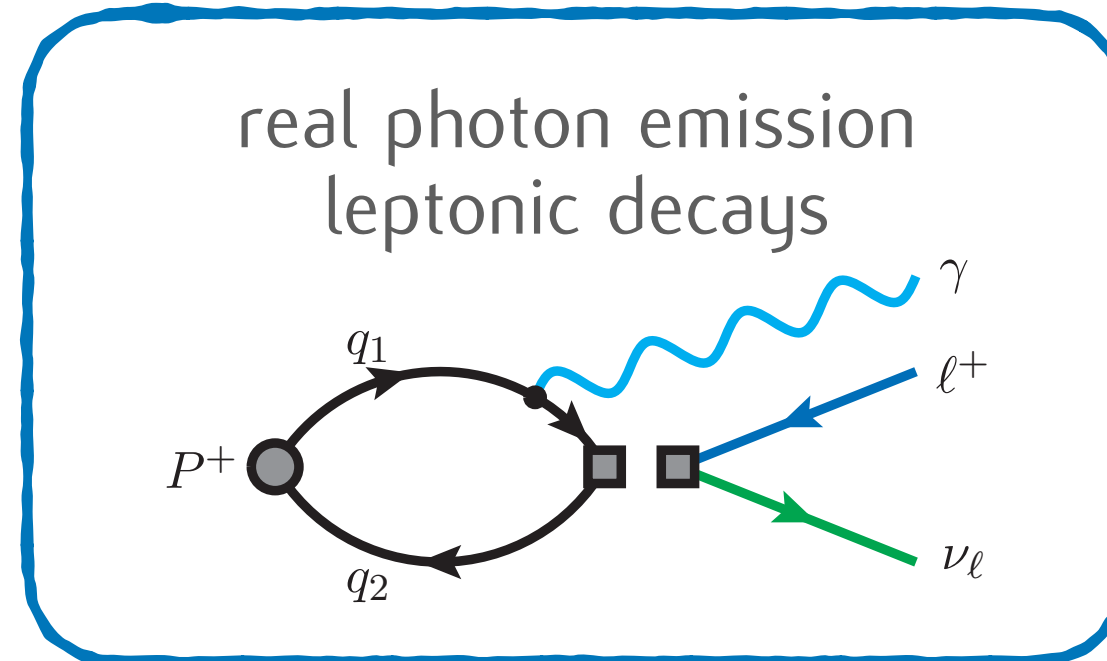
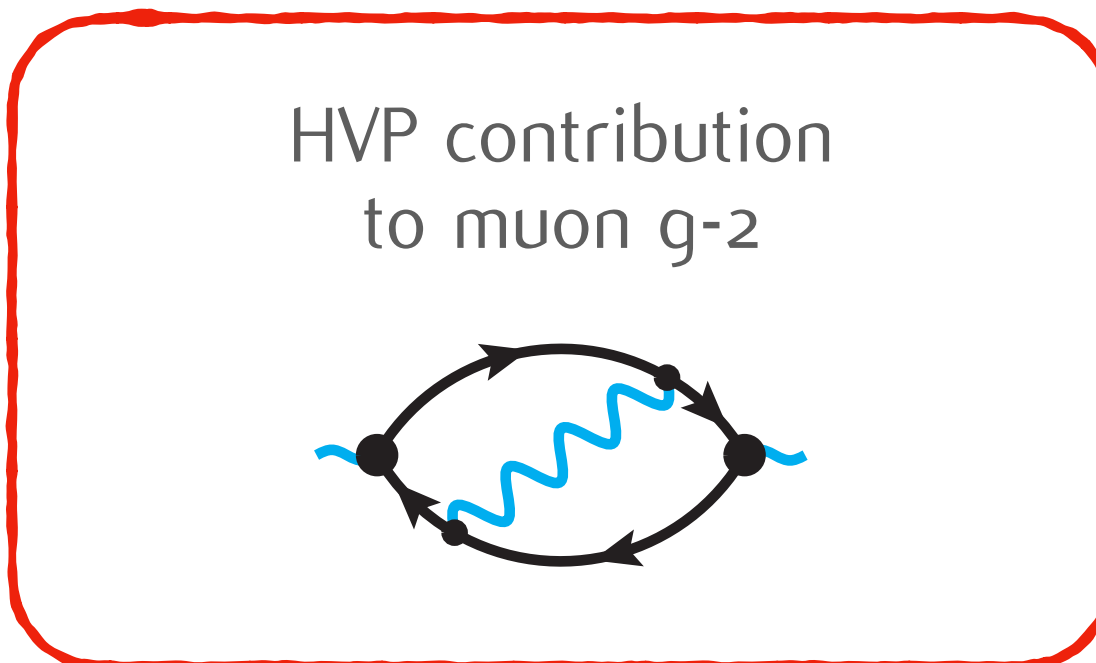
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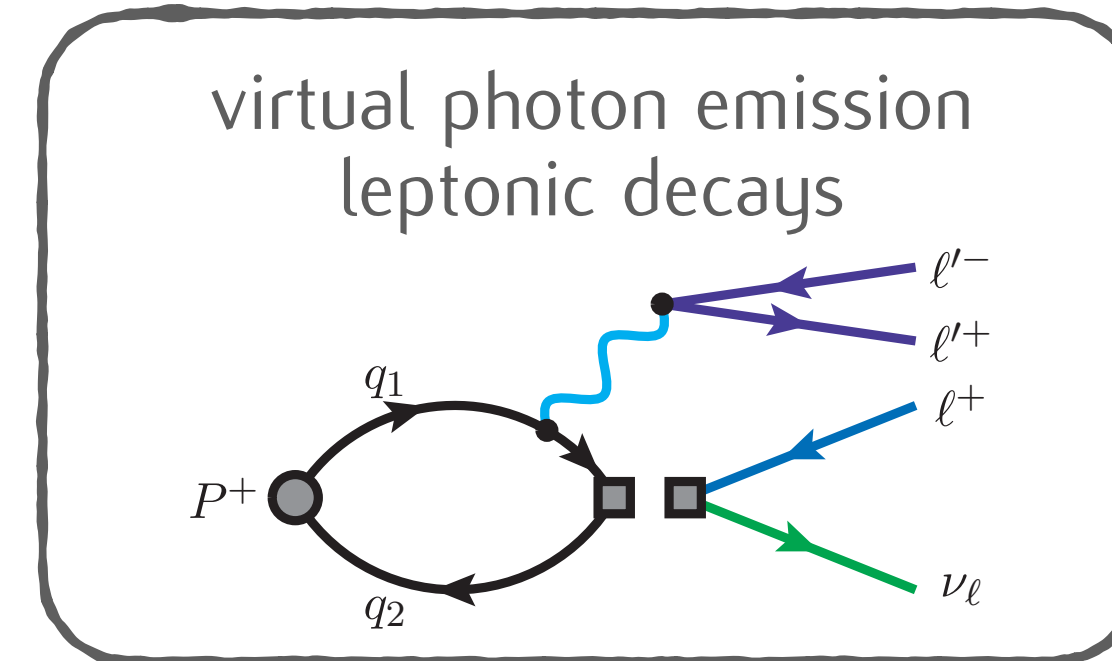
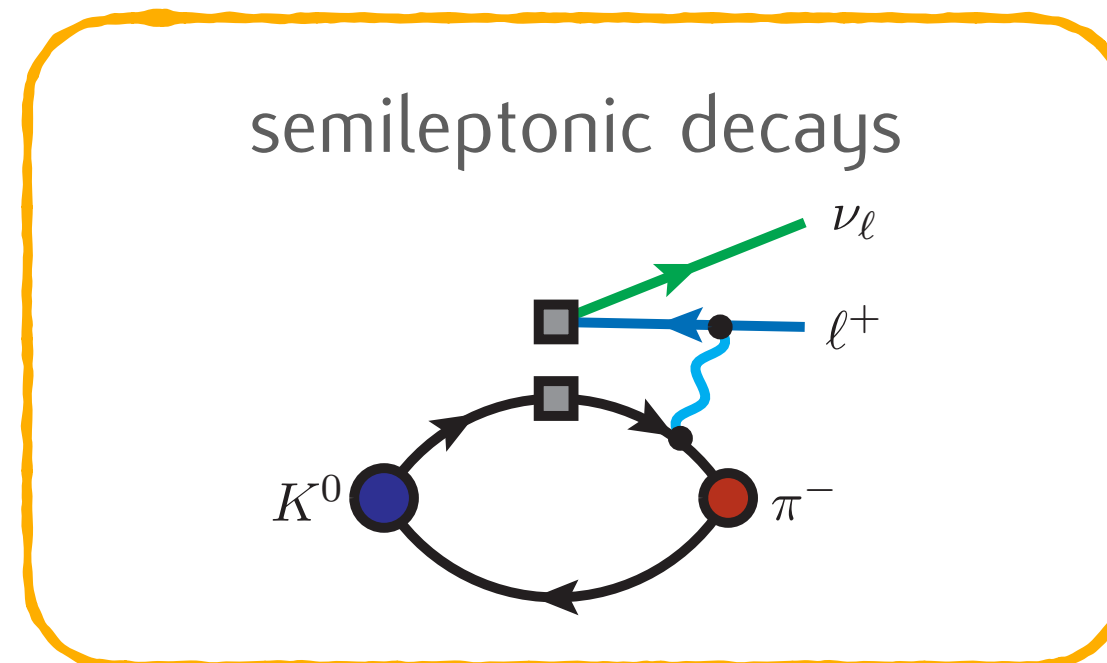
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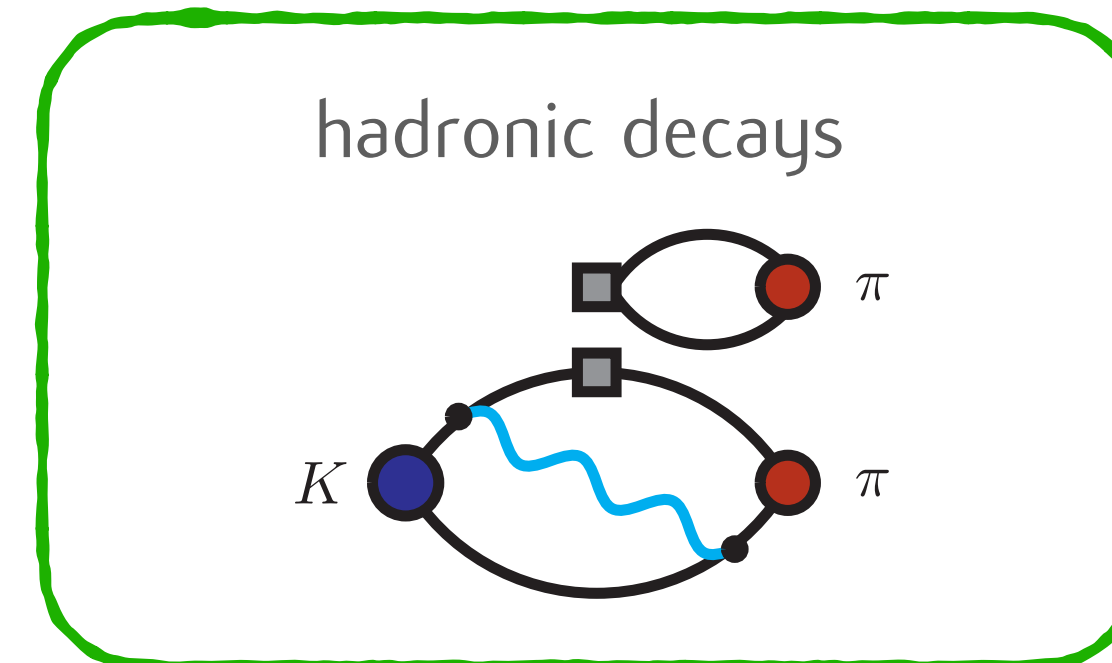
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Experimental input from PDG

Pion

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Kaon

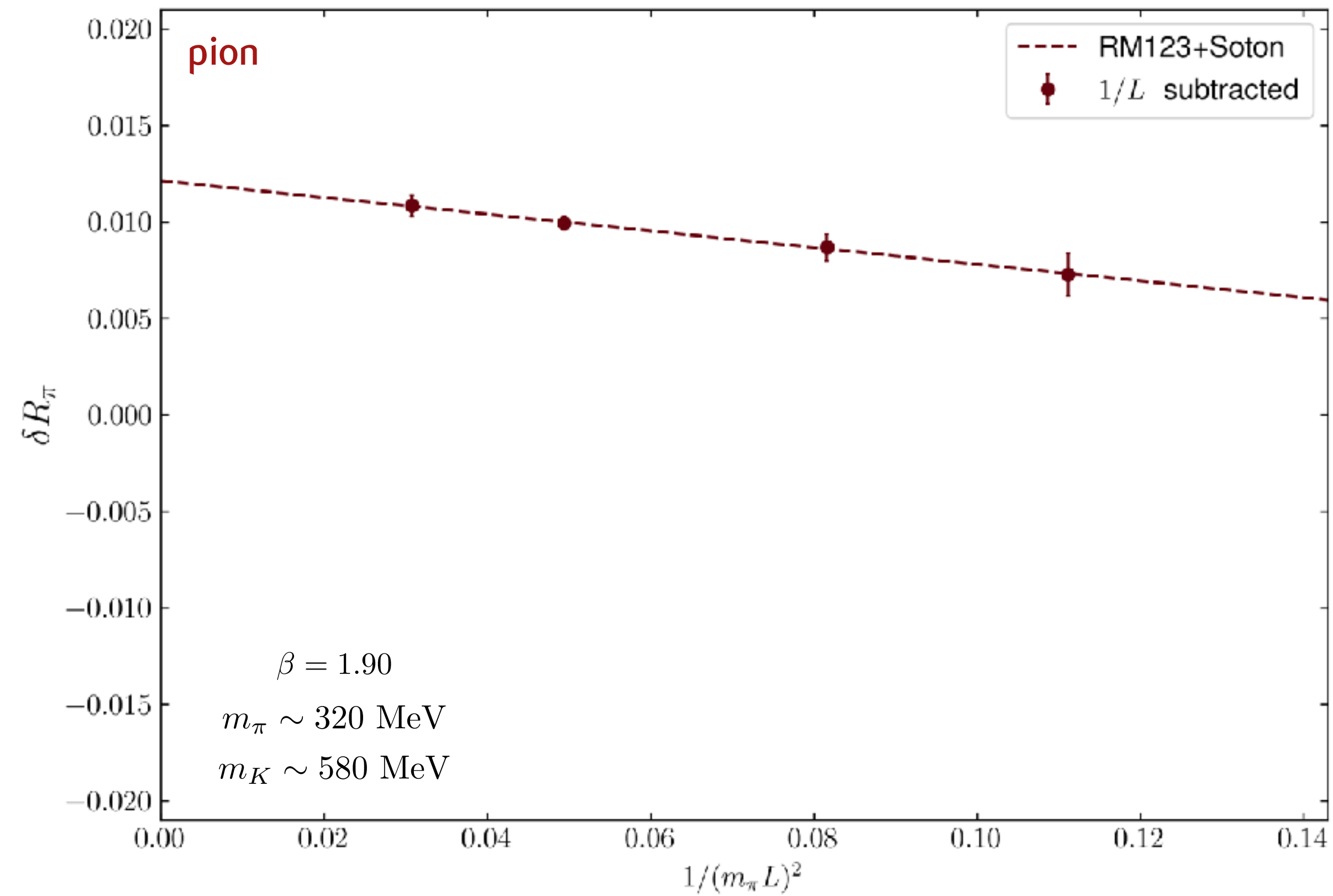
$$\Gamma_{K \rightarrow \mu\nu} / \Gamma_K = (63.56 \pm 0.11)\%$$

$$\Gamma_K = 1/\tau_K = 1/[(1.2380 \pm 0.0020) \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ s}]$$

$$\Gamma_{K \rightarrow \mu\nu} = 5.134 (12) \cdot 10^7 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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Comparing with RM123+Soton result

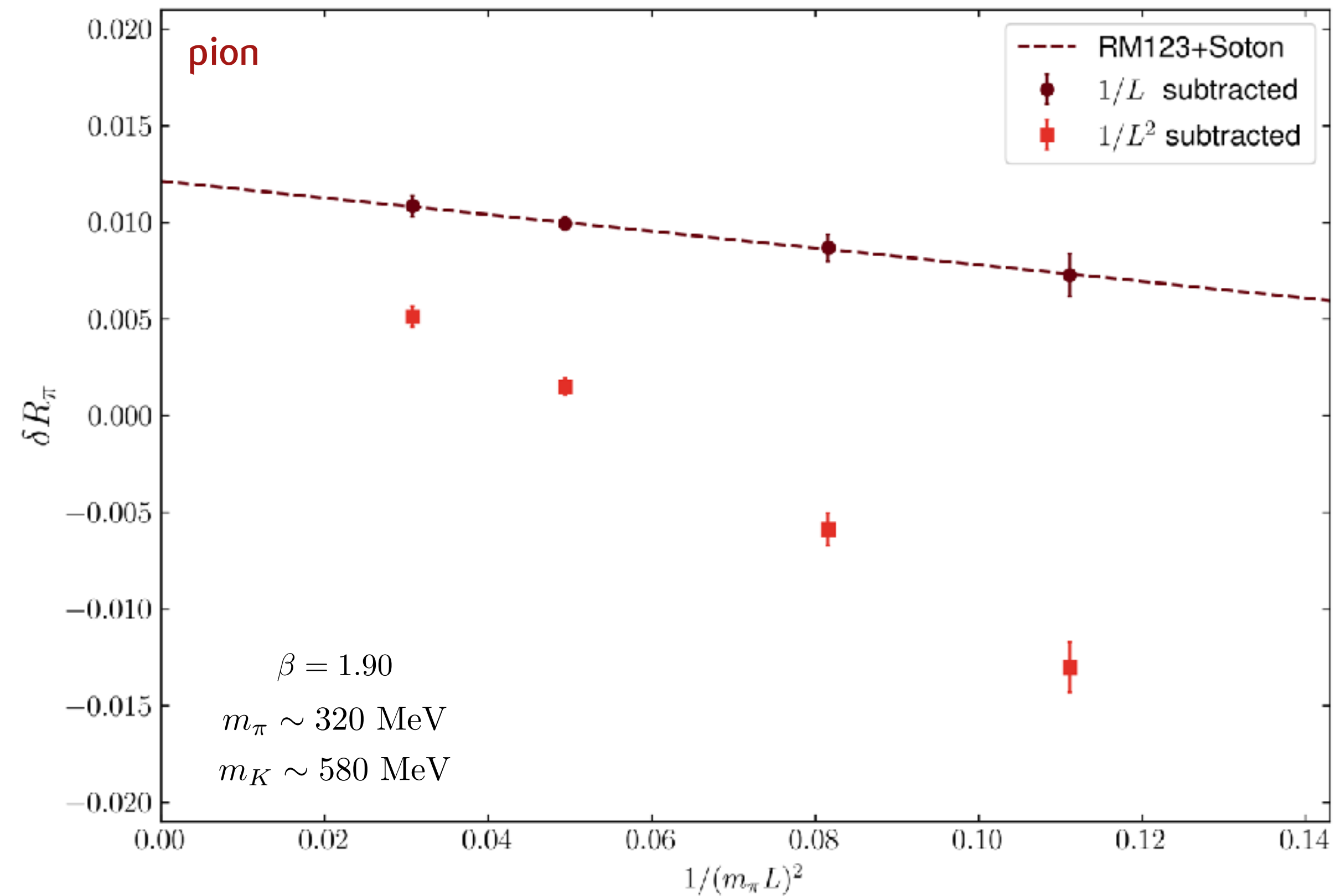


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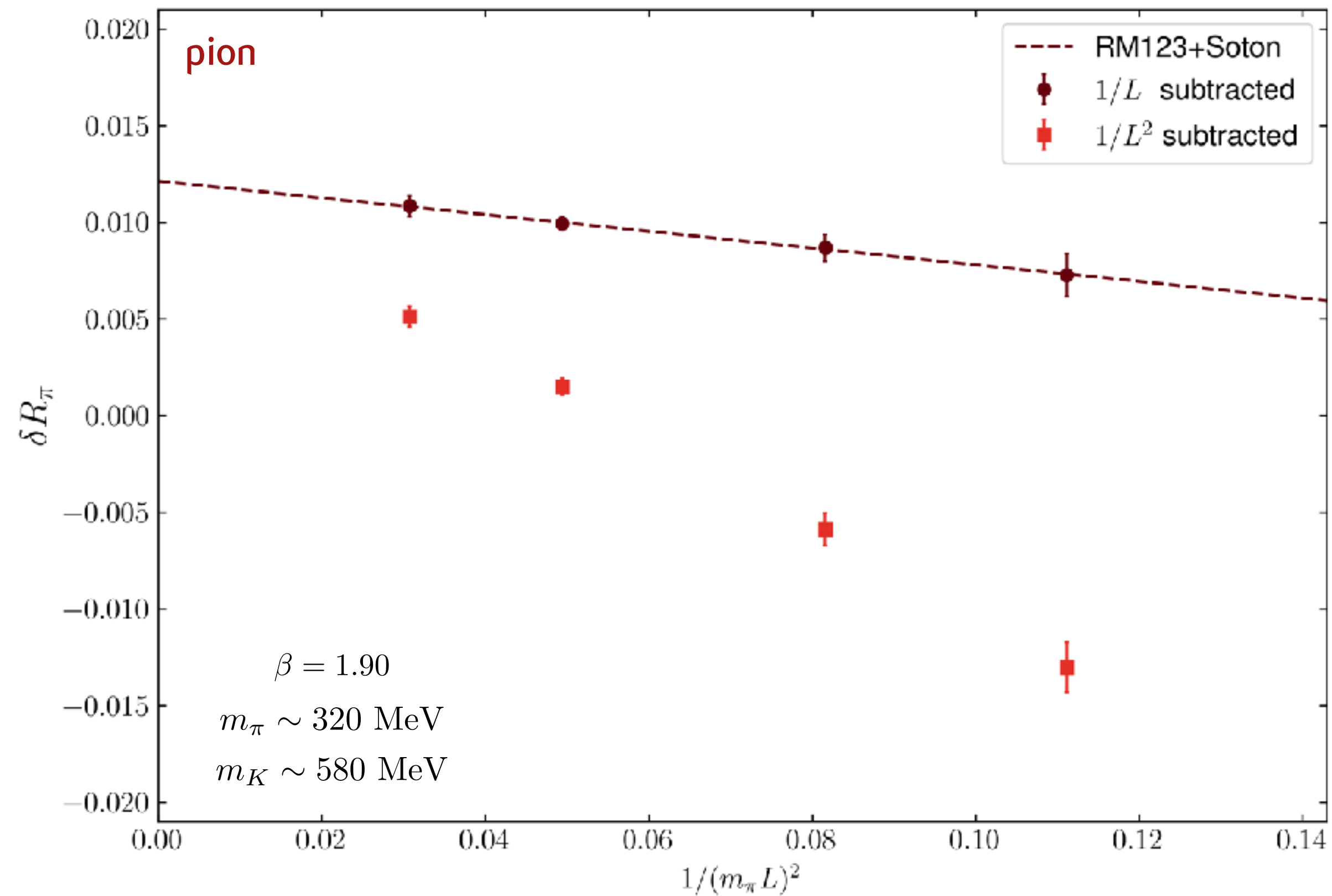


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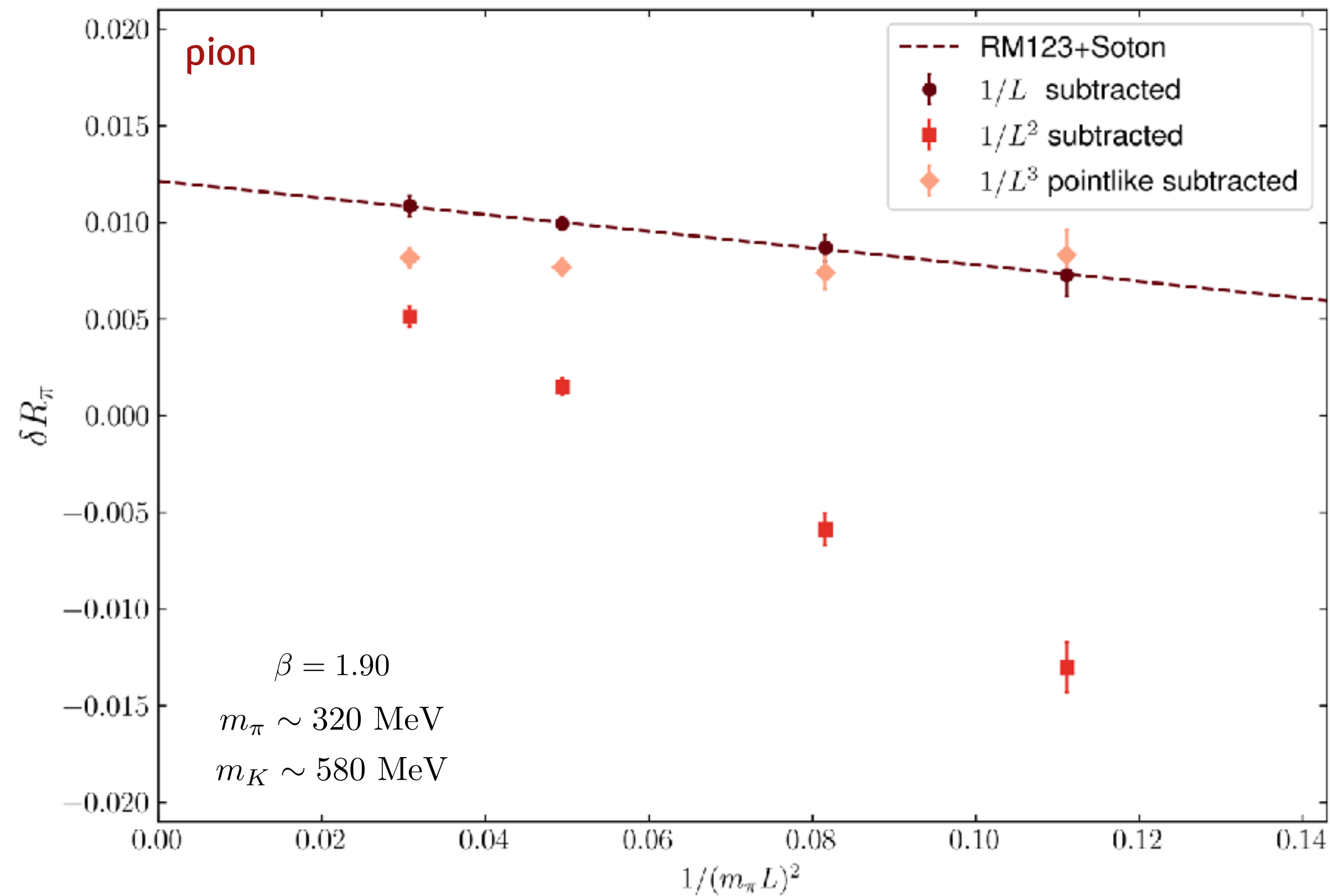
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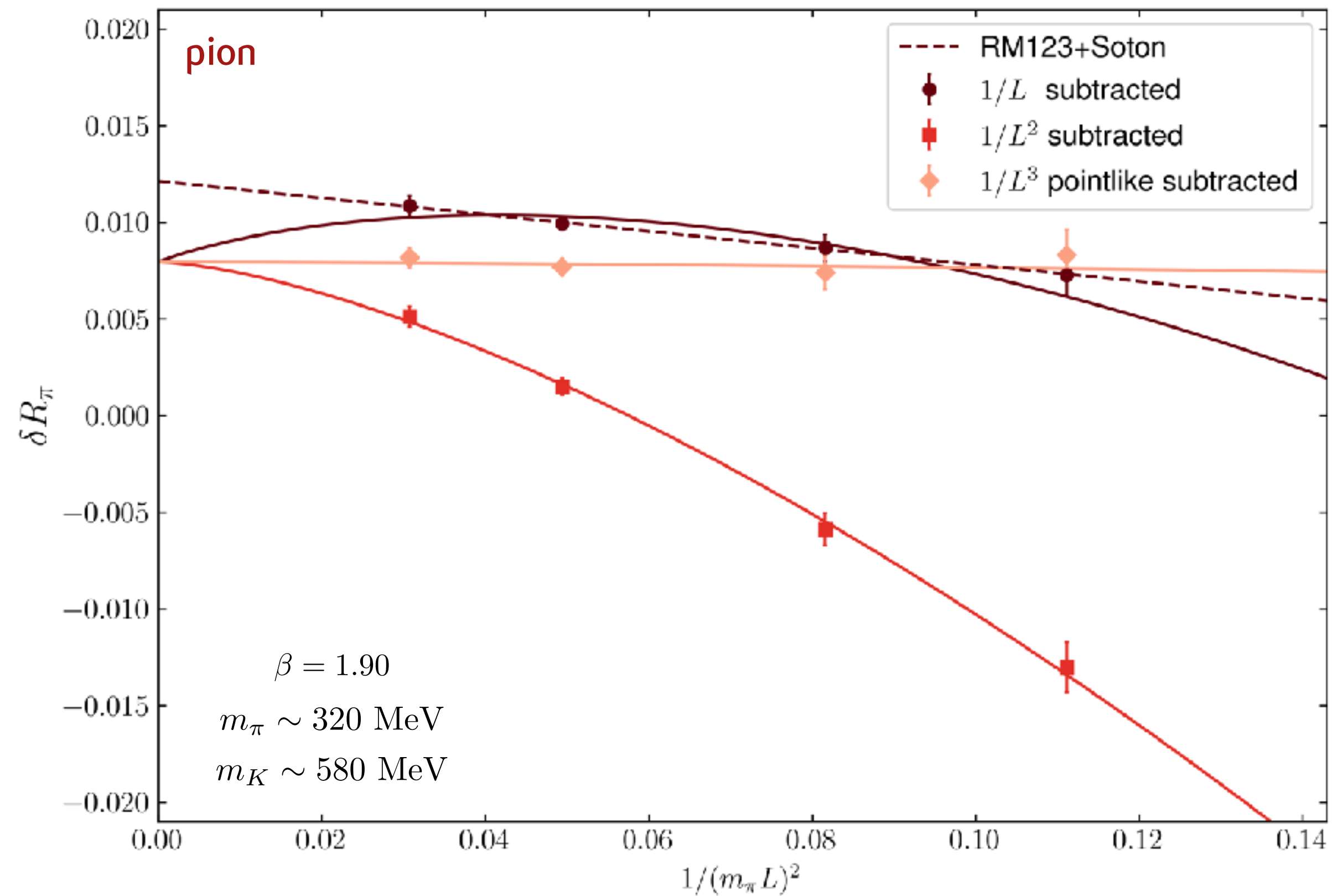
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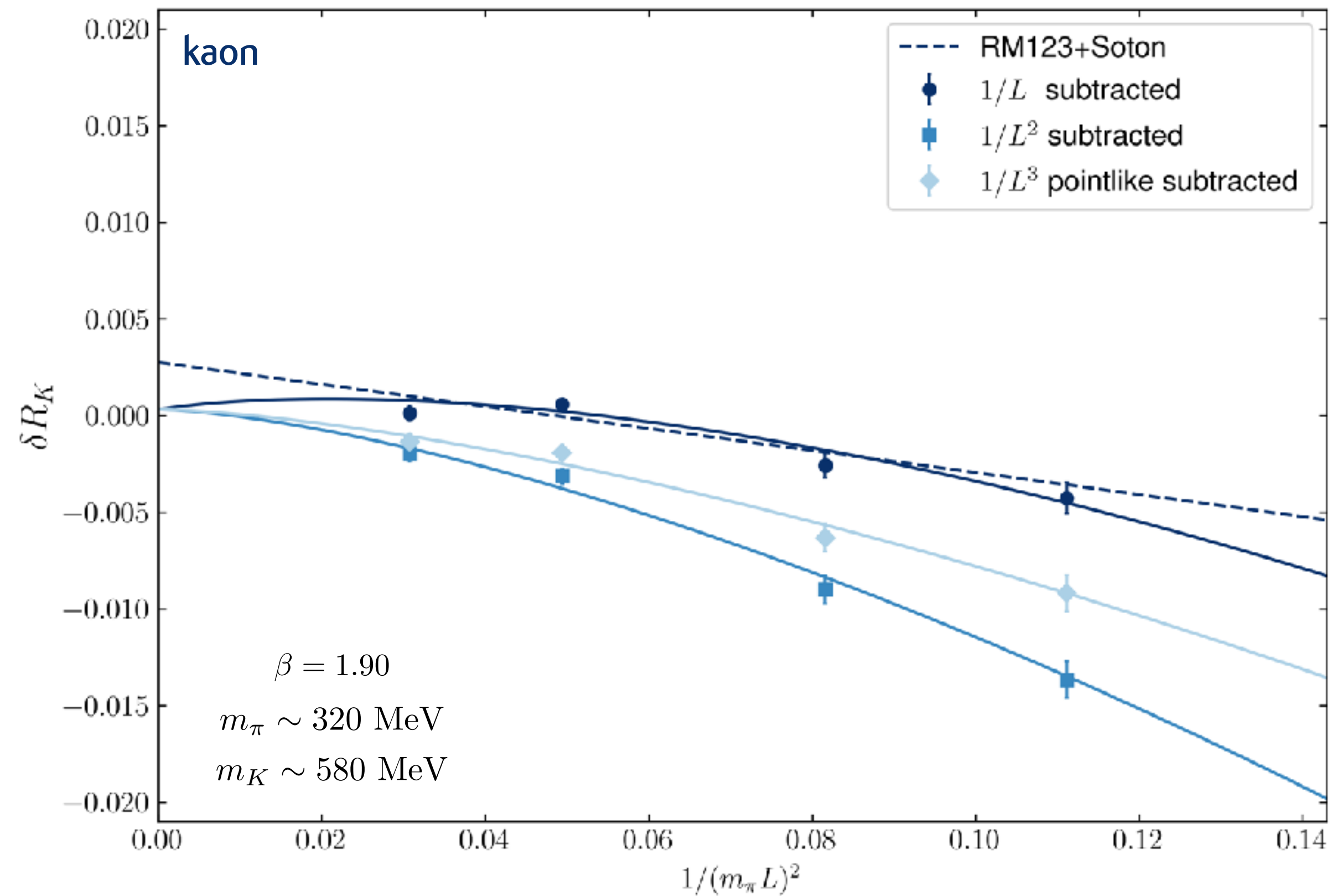
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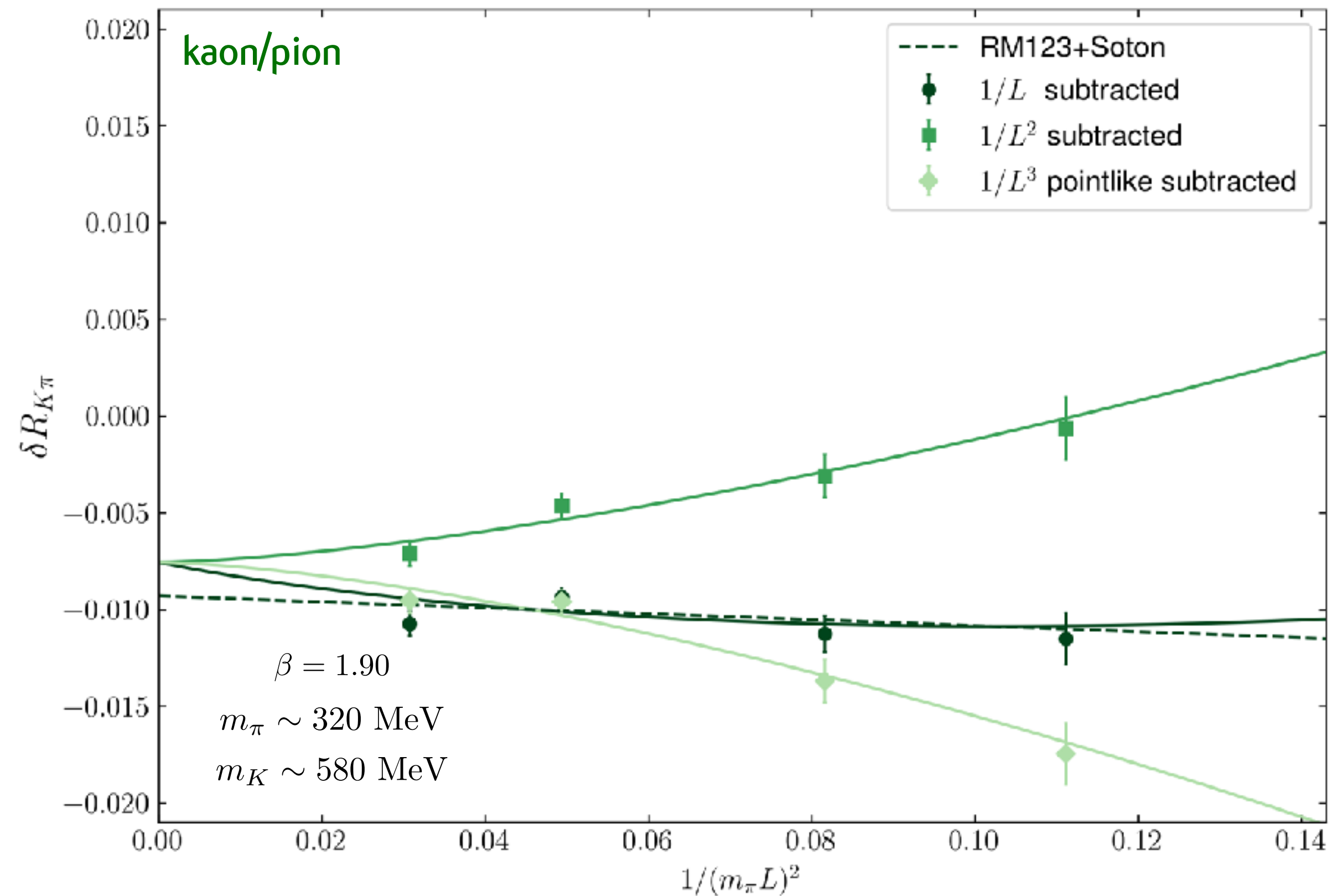
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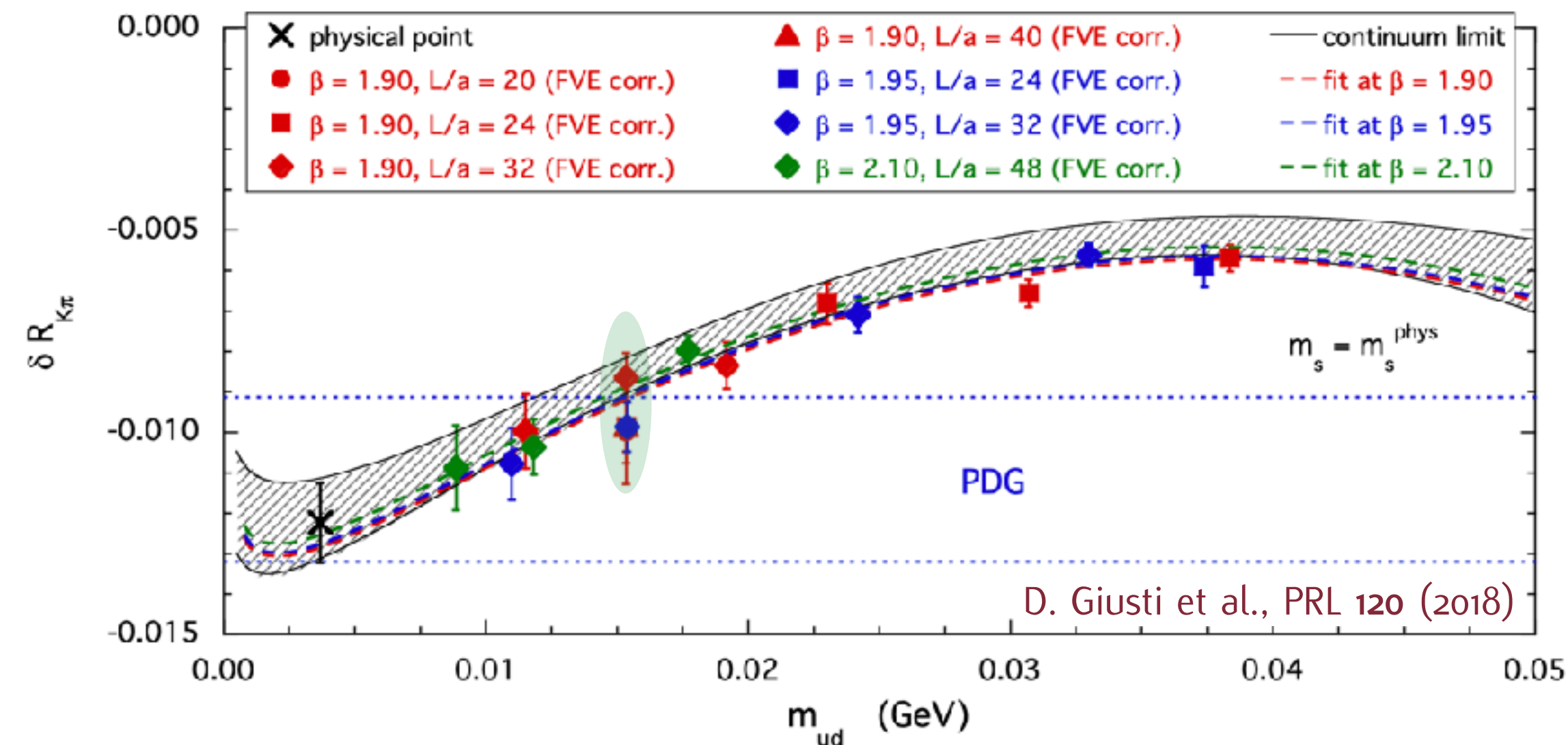
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Combining all pieces of information



! pure speculation!

possible small shift of RM123S result?

