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# PRECISE SM PREDICTIONS FOR SEMILEPTONIC B DECAYS

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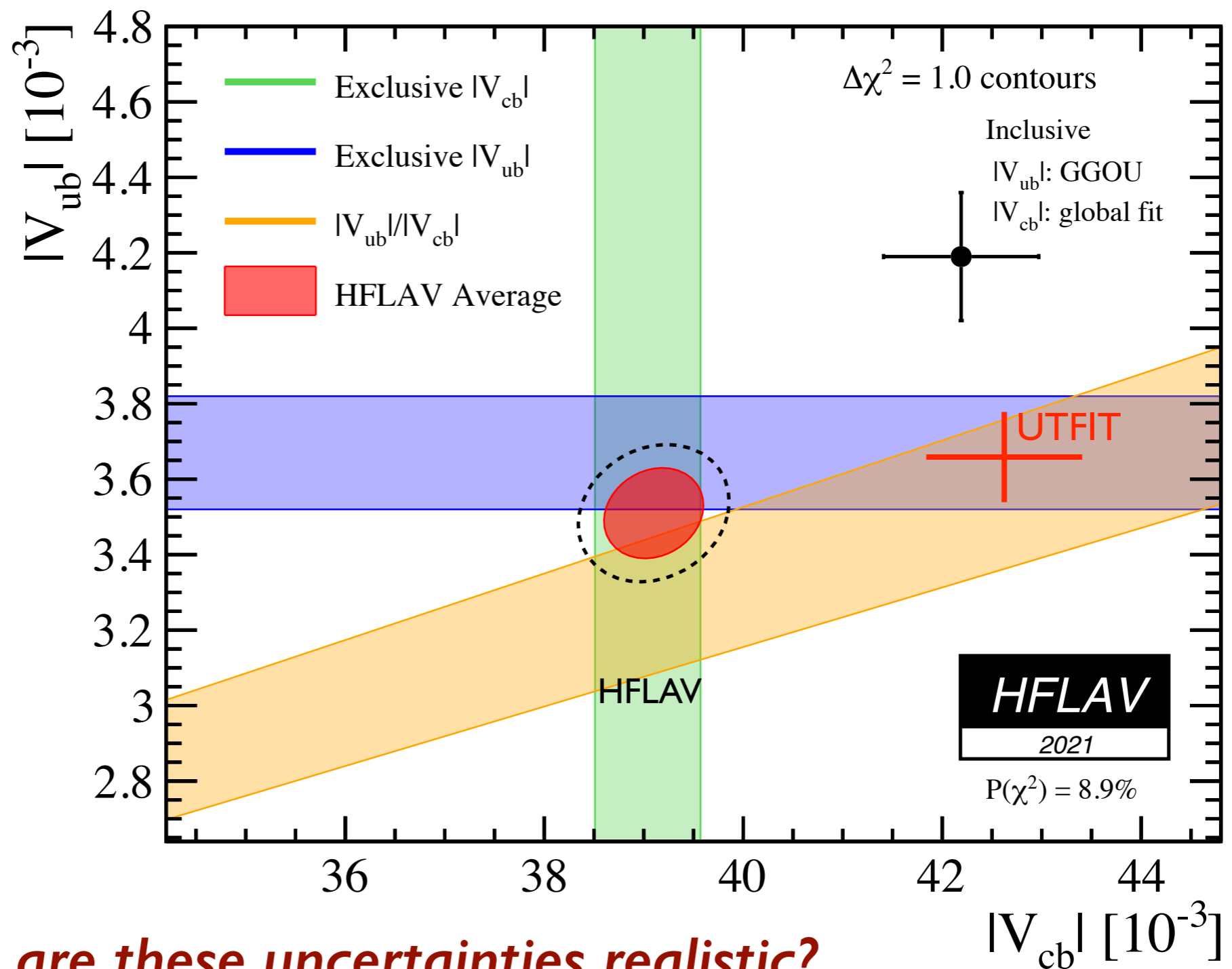


The flavour path to new physics  
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# THE $V_{cb}$ (and $V_{ub}$ ) PUZZLE

Since many years the inclusive and exclusive determinations of  $|V_{cb}|$  and  $|V_{ub}|$  diverge



**are these uncertainties realistic?**

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# RECENT PROGRESS

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- The last 6-7 years have seen a **burst of activity** in semileptonic B decays
  - Many new experimental analyses by Belle, Belle II, BaBar, LHCb incl and excl
  - New pert calculations at  $O(\alpha_s^3)$  by Fael et al. crucial progress for inclusive  $V_{cb}$
  - 3 new lattice calculations of  $B \rightarrow D^*$  form factors beyond  $w = 1$ , inclusive on the lattice, new  $B \rightarrow \pi, \dots$
  - Many phenomenological studies with interesting ideas (RPI methods for incl, HQET studies of form factors, ...)
  - There is now a clear appreciation that  $\sim 1\%$  uncertainties require a new approach
  - Not glorious work but **work that needs to be done** (Bob Kowalewski)
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# The importance of $|V_{cb}|$

An important CKM unitarity test is the Unitarity Triangle (UT) formed by

$$1 + \frac{V_{ud}V_{ub}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*} + \frac{V_{td}V_{tb}^*}{V_{cd}V_{cb}^*} = 0$$

$V_{cb}$  plays an important role in UT

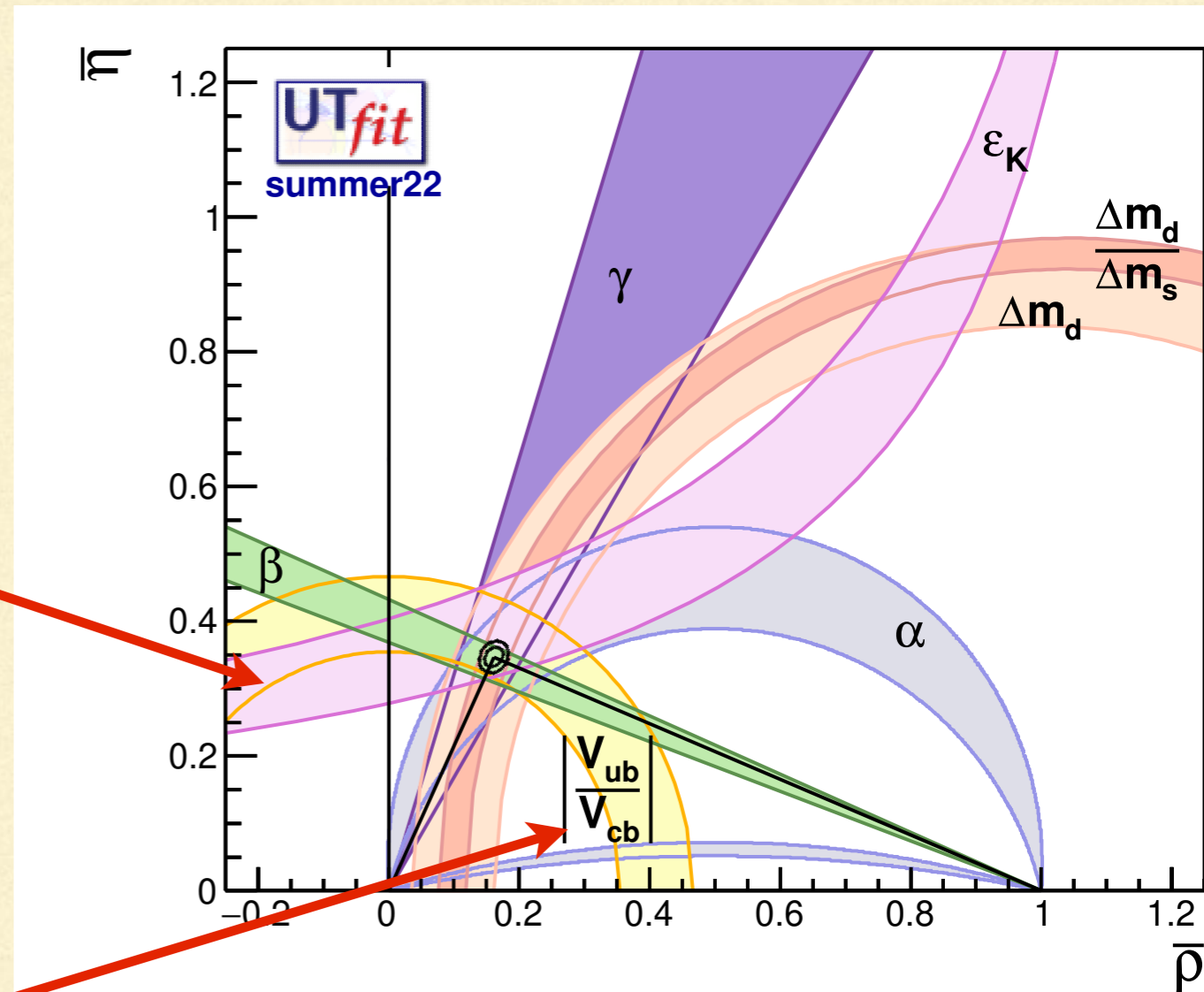
$$\varepsilon_K \approx x|V_{cb}|^4 + \dots$$

and in the prediction of FCNC:

$$\propto |V_{tb}V_{ts}|^2 \simeq |V_{cb}|^2 \left[ 1 + O(\lambda^2) \right]$$

where it often dominates the theoretical uncertainty.

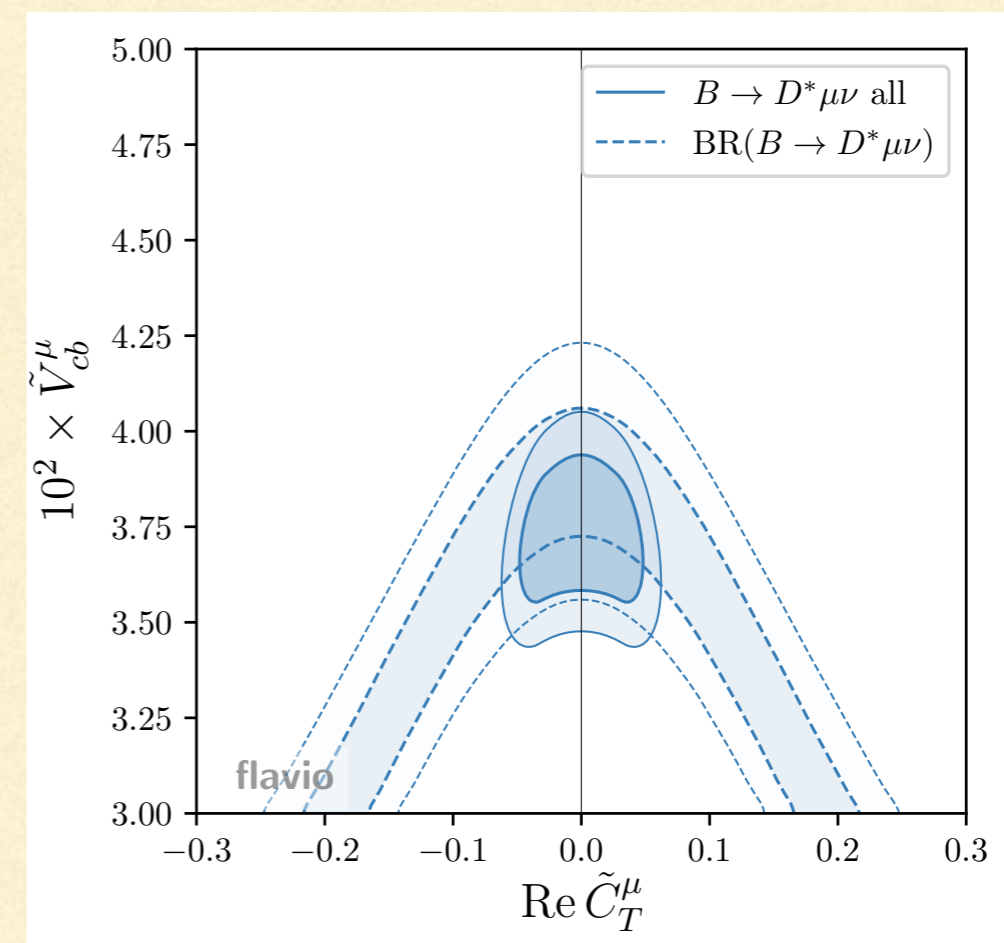
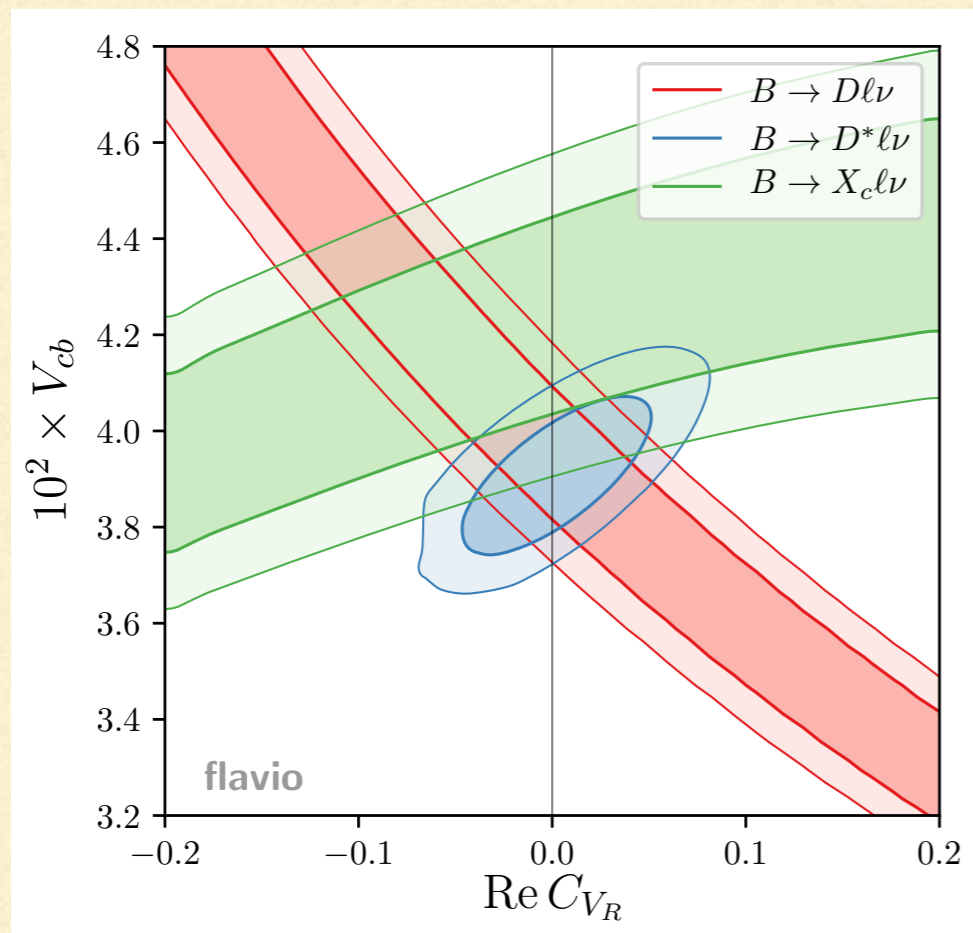
$V_{ub}/V_{cb}$  constrains directly the UT



**Our ability to determine precisely  $V_{cb}$  is crucial for indirect NP searches**

# NEW PHYSICS FOR THE $V_{cb}$ PUZZLE?

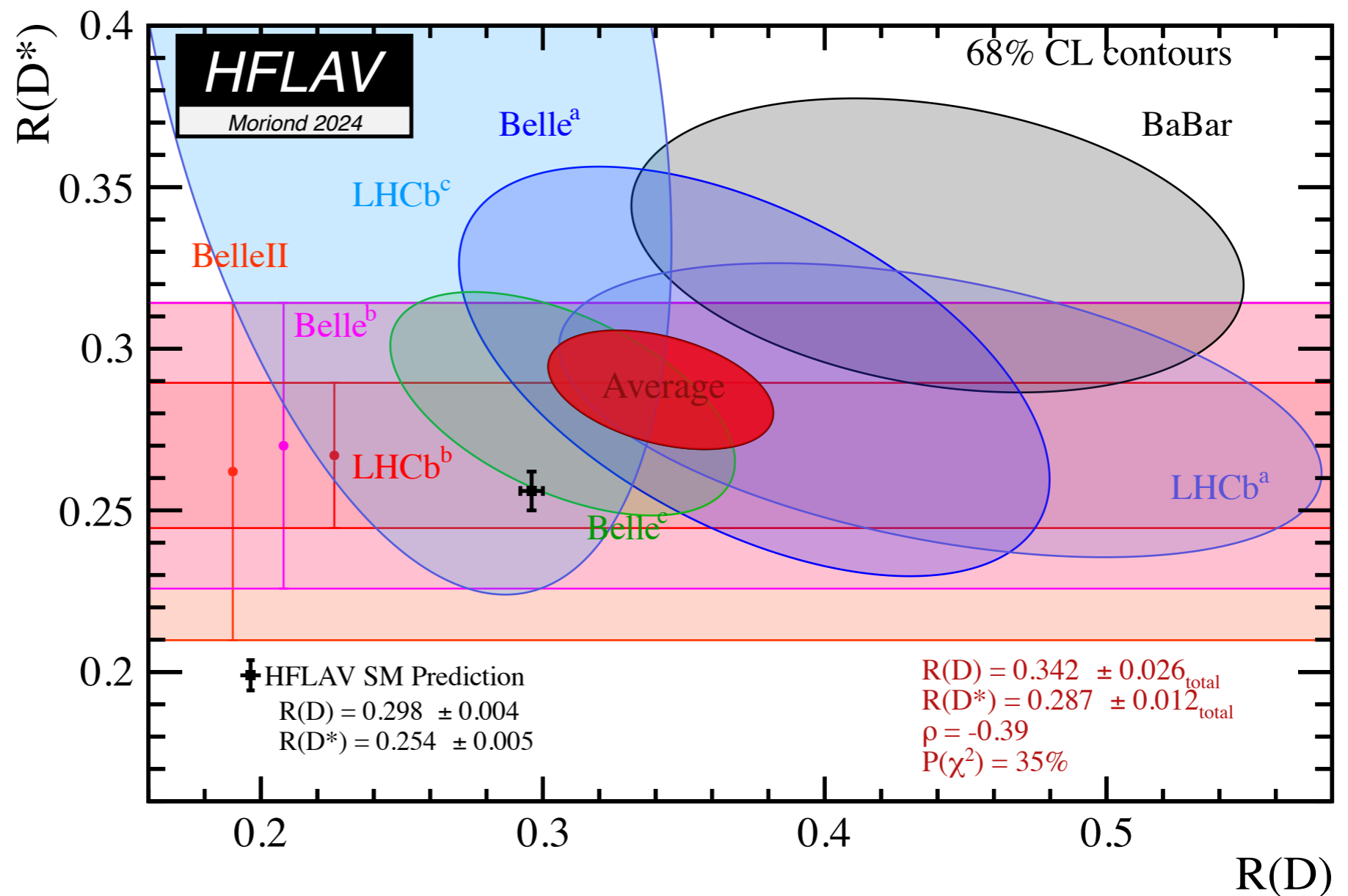
Jung & Straub, 1801.01112



Differential distributions constrain NP strongly, SMEFT interpretation incompatible with LEP data: Crivellin, Pokorski, Jung, Straub...

# VIOLATION of LFU with TAUS

$$R\left(D^{(*)}\right) = \frac{\mathcal{B}\left(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \nu_{\tau}\right)}{\mathcal{B}\left(B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu_{\ell}\right)}$$



SM predictions based on same theory as  $V_{cb}$  extraction

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# INCLUSIVE SEMILEPTONIC B DECAYS

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Inclusive observables are double series in  $\Lambda/m_b$  and  $\alpha_s$

$$M_i = M_i^{(0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} M_i^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha_s}{\pi}\right)^2 M_i^{(2)} + \left( M_i^{(\pi,0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} M_i^{(\pi,1)} \right) \frac{\mu_\pi^2}{m_b^2} \\ + \left( M_i^{(G,0)} + \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} M_i^{(G,1)} \right) \frac{\mu_G^2}{m_b^2} + M_i^{(D,0)} \frac{\rho_D^3}{m_b^3} + M_i^{(LS,0)} \frac{\rho_{LS}^3}{m_b^3} + \dots$$

Global **shape** parameters (first moments of the distributions, with various lower cuts on  $E_l$ ) tell us about  $m_b, m_c$  and the B structure, total **rate** about  $|V_{cb}|$

OPE parameters describe universal properties of the B meson and of the quarks: they are useful in many applications (rare decays,  $V_{ub}, \dots$ )

**Reliability of the method depends on our control of higher order effects.**

Quark-hadron duality violation would manifest itself as inconsistency in the fit.

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# 3 LOOP CALCULATIONS

Fael, Schoenwald, Steinhauser, 2011.11655, 2011.13654, 2205.03410

3loop and 2loop charm mass effects in relation between kinetic and  $\overline{\text{MS}}$   $b$  mass

$$m_b^{kin}(1\text{GeV}) = \left[ 4163 + 259\alpha_s + 78\alpha_s^2 + 26\alpha_s^3 \right] \text{MeV} = (4526 \pm 15) \text{MeV}$$

Using FLAG  $\overline{m}_b(\overline{m}_b) = 4.198(12)\text{GeV}$  one gets  $m_b^{kin}(1\text{GeV}) = 4.565(19) \text{GeV}$

3loop correction to **total semileptonic width**

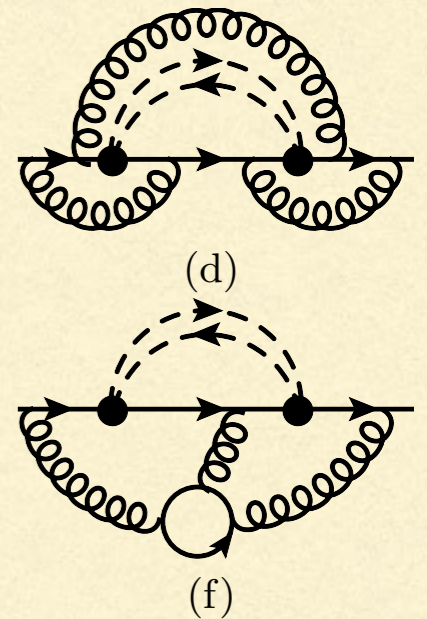
$$\Gamma_{sl} = \Gamma_0 f(\rho) \left[ 0.9255 - 0.1162\alpha_s - 0.0350\alpha_s^2 - 0.0097\alpha_s^3 \right]$$

in the kin scheme with  $\mu = 1\text{GeV}$  and  $\overline{m}_c(3\text{GeV}) = 0.987 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\mu_{\alpha_s} = m_b^{kin}$

$$\Gamma_{sl} = \Gamma_0 f(\rho) \left[ 0.9255 - 0.1140\alpha_s - 0.0011\alpha_s^2 + 0.0103\alpha_s^3 \right]$$

in the kin scheme with  $\mu = 1\text{GeV}$  and  $\overline{m}_c(2\text{GeV}) = 1.091 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\mu_{\alpha_s} = m_b^{kin}/2$

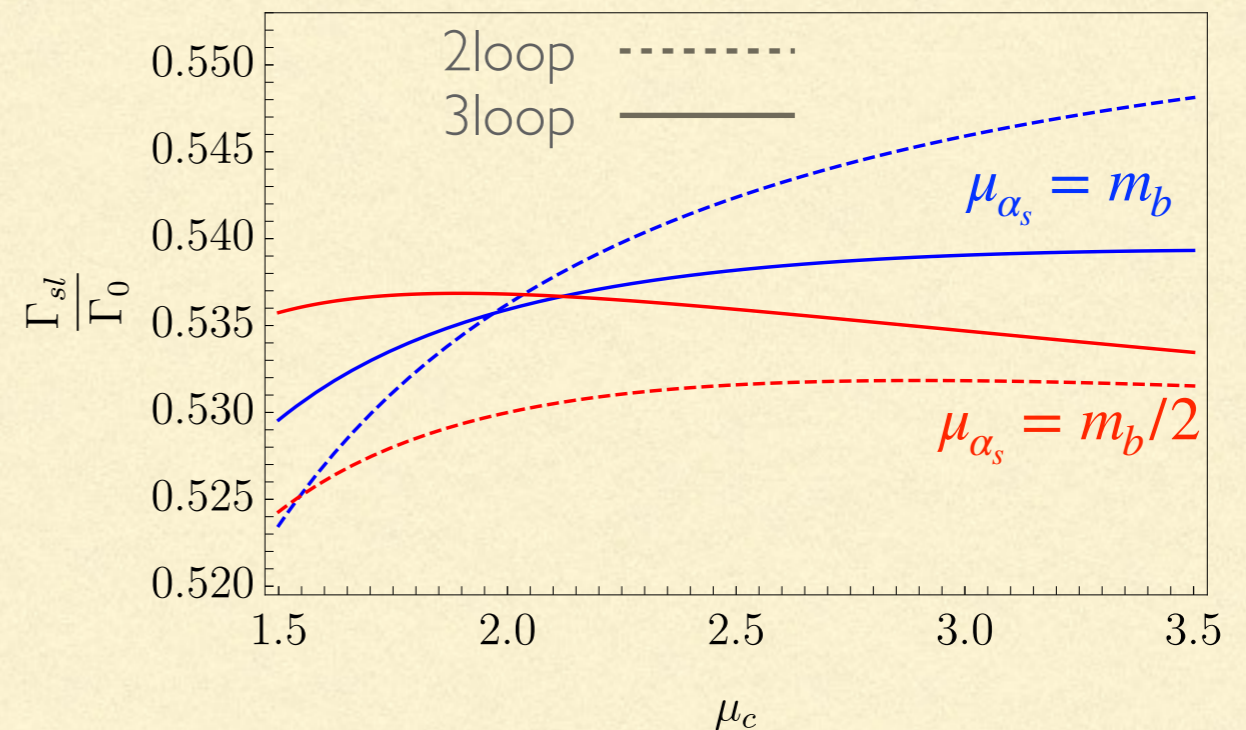
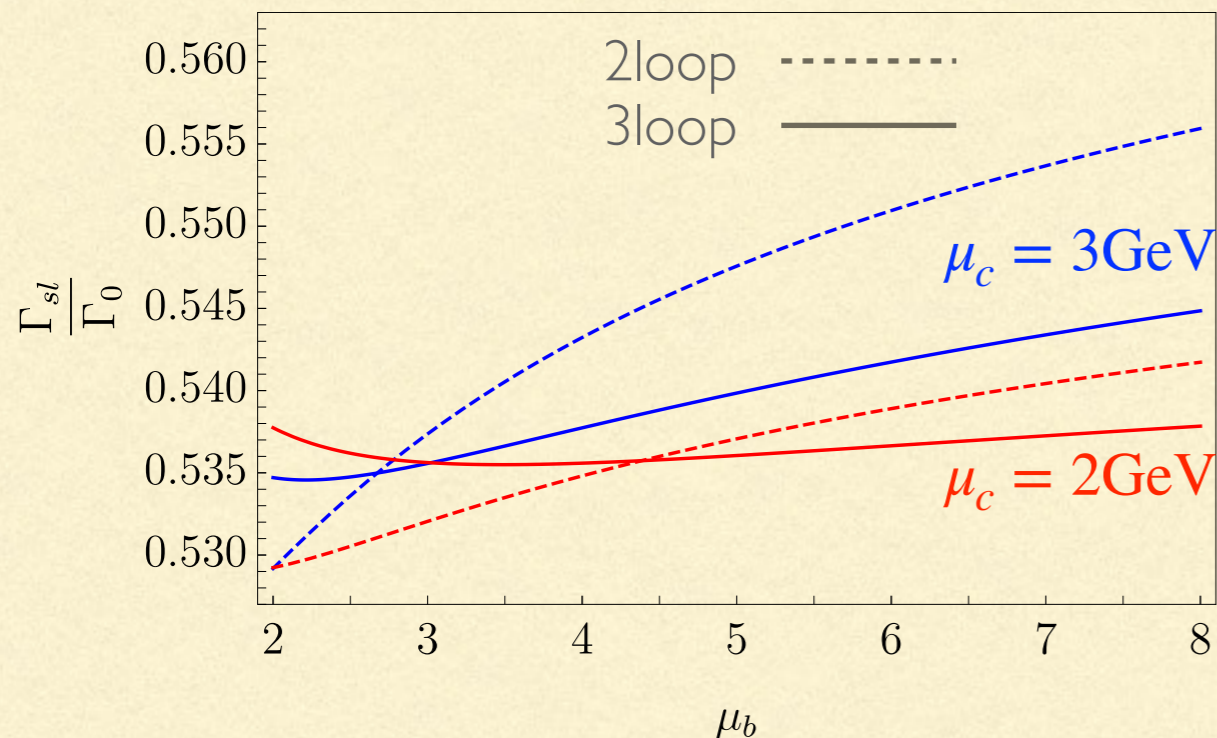
**3loop correction tends to lower  $\Gamma_{sl}$  and therefore pushes  $|V_{cb}|$  slightly up ( $\sim 0.5\%$ )**





# RESIDUAL UNCERTAINTY on $\Gamma_{sl}$

Bordone, Capdevila, PG, 2107.00604



Similar reduction in  $\mu_{kin}$  dependence. Purely perturbative uncertainty  $\pm 0.7\%$  (max spread), central values at  $\mu_c = 2\text{GeV}$ ,  $\mu_{\alpha_s} = m_b/2$ .

$O(\alpha_s/m_b^2, \alpha_s/m_b^3)$  effects in the width are known. Additional uncertainty from higher power corrections, soft charm effects of  $O(\alpha_s/m_b^3 m_c)$ , duality violation.

**Conservatively: 1.2% overall theory uncertainty in  $\Gamma_{sl}$  (a ~50% reduction)**

Interplay with fit to semileptonic moments, known only to  $O(\alpha_s^2, \alpha_s \Lambda^2/m_b^2)$

# QED CORRECTIONS

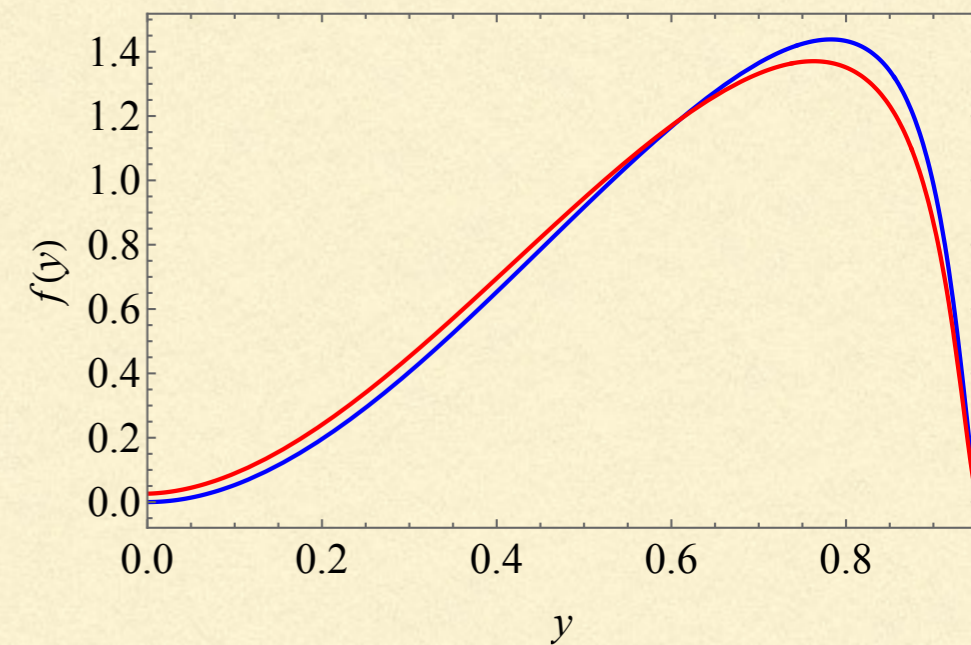
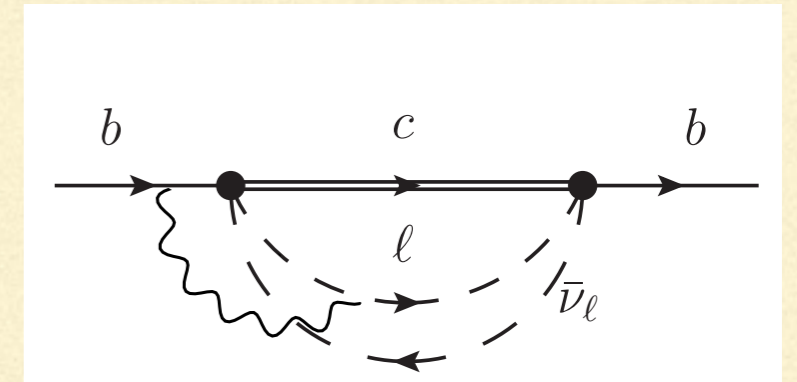
Bigi, Bordone, Haisch, Piccione PG  
2309.02849

In the presence of photons, **OPE valid only for total width** and moments that do not resolve lepton properties ( $E_\ell, q^2$ ). Expect mass singularities and  $O(\alpha\Lambda/m_b)$  corrections.

**Leading logs**  $\alpha \ln m_e/m_b$  can be easily computed for simple observables using structure function approach, for ex the lepton energy spectrum

$$\left(\frac{d\Gamma}{dy}\right)^{(1)} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \ln \frac{m_b^2}{m_\ell^2} \int_y^1 \frac{dx}{x} P_{\ell\ell}^{(0)}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \left(\frac{d\Gamma}{dx}\right)^{(0)}$$

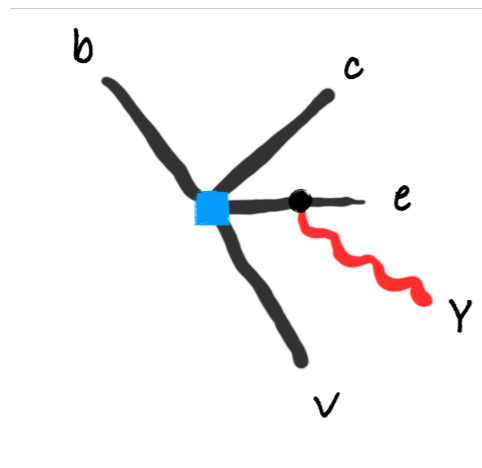
$$P_{\ell\ell}^{(0)}(z) = \left[ \frac{1+z^2}{1-z} \right]_+$$



Electron energy spectrum

# QED Leading contributions

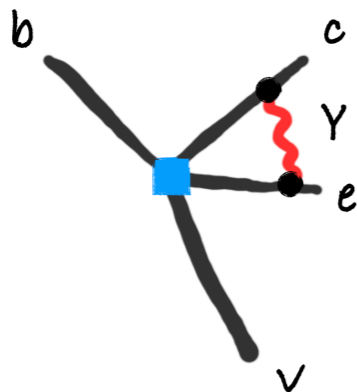
## 1. Collinear logs: captured by splitting functions



also at subleading power!

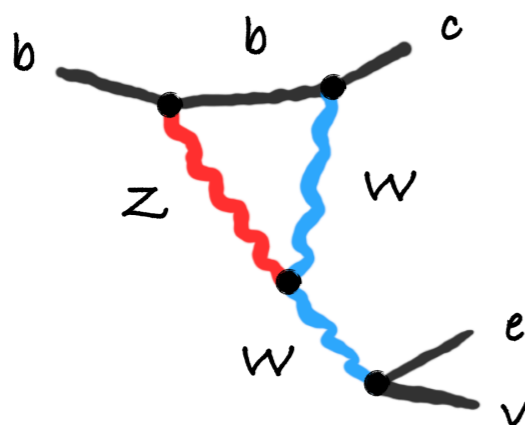
$$\sim \frac{\alpha_e}{\pi} \log \frac{m_b^2}{m_e^2}$$

## 2. Threshold effects or Coulomb terms



$$\sim \frac{4\pi\alpha_e}{9}$$

## 3. Wilson Coefficient



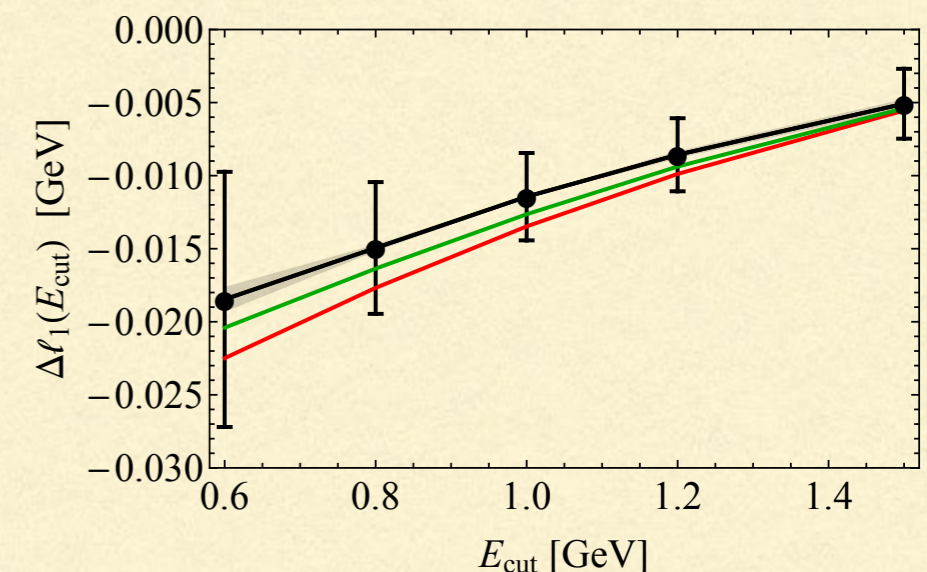
$$\sim \frac{\alpha_e}{\pi} \left[ \log \left( \frac{M_Z^2}{\mu^2} - \frac{11}{6} \right) \right]$$

# COMPLETE $O(\alpha)$ EFFECTS IN LEPTONIC SPECTRUM

Typical measurements are completely inclusive,  $B \rightarrow X_c \ell \nu(\gamma)$ , but QED radiation is **subtracted** by experiments using **PHOTOS** (soft-collinear photon radiation to MC final states).

Small but non-negligible differences with *PHOTOS* in BaBar leptonic moments hep-ex/0403030

$E_{\text{cut}}$	$\delta\text{BR}_{\text{incl}}^{\text{BaBar}}$	$\delta\text{BR}_{\text{incl}}^{\text{LL}}$	$\delta\text{BR}_{\text{incl}}^{\text{NLL}}$	$\delta\text{BR}_{\text{incl}}^{\alpha}$	$\delta\text{BR}_{\text{incl}}^{1/m_b^2}$	$\delta\text{BR}_{\text{incl}}$	$\sigma$
0.6	-1.26%	-1.92%	-1.95%	-0.54%	-0.50%	-0.45%	+0.34
0.8	-1.87%	-2.88%	-2.91%	-1.36%	-1.29%	-1.22%	+0.30
1.0	-2.66%	-4.03%	-4.04%	-2.38%	-2.26%	-2.15%	+0.25
1.2	-3.56%	-5.43%	-5.41%	-3.65%	-3.43%	-3.27%	+0.14
1.5	-5.22%	-8.41%	-8.26%	-6.37%	-5.73%	-5.39%	-0.09



**~0.2% reduction in  $V_{cb}$**

The black curve corresponds to the correction obtained by BaBar using PHOTOS, while the red (green) curve corresponds to our QED prediction including the LL terms (all QED corrections). The grey band represents the systematic uncertainty on the PHOTOS bremsstrahlung corrections that BaBar quotes, while the black error bars correspond to the total uncertainties of the QED corrected BaBar results.

# A GLOBAL FIT

Finauri, PG 2310.20324

$m_b^{\text{kin}}$	$\bar{m}_c(2 \text{ GeV})$	$\mu_\pi^2$	$\mu_G^2(m_b)$	$\rho_D^3(m_b)$	$\rho_{LS}^3$	$\text{BR}_{cl\nu}$	$10^3  V_{cb} $
4.573	1.090	0.454	0.288	0.176	-0.113	10.63	41.97
0.012	0.010	0.043	0.049	0.019	0.090	0.15	0.48

Includes all leptonic, hadronic, and  $q^2$  moments measured by BaBar, Belle, Belle II, Cleo, CDF, Delphi

Up to  $O(\alpha_s^2)$ ,  $O(\alpha_s/m_b^2)$ ,  $O(1/m_b^3)$  for  $M_X$ ,  $E_\ell$  moments, up to  $O(\alpha_s^2\beta_0)$ ,  $O(\alpha_s/m_b^3)$  for  $q^2$  moments (complete  $O(\alpha_s^2)$  calculation by Fael and Herren 2403.03976 to be implemented)

Subtracts QED effects beyond those computed by PHOTOS (only BaBar BR and lept moments)  
 $\delta V_{cb} \sim -0.2\%$

Employs  $\bar{m}_b(\bar{m}_b) = 4.203(11)\text{GeV}$  and  $\bar{m}_c(3\text{GeV}) = 0.989(10)\text{GeV}$  (FLAG)

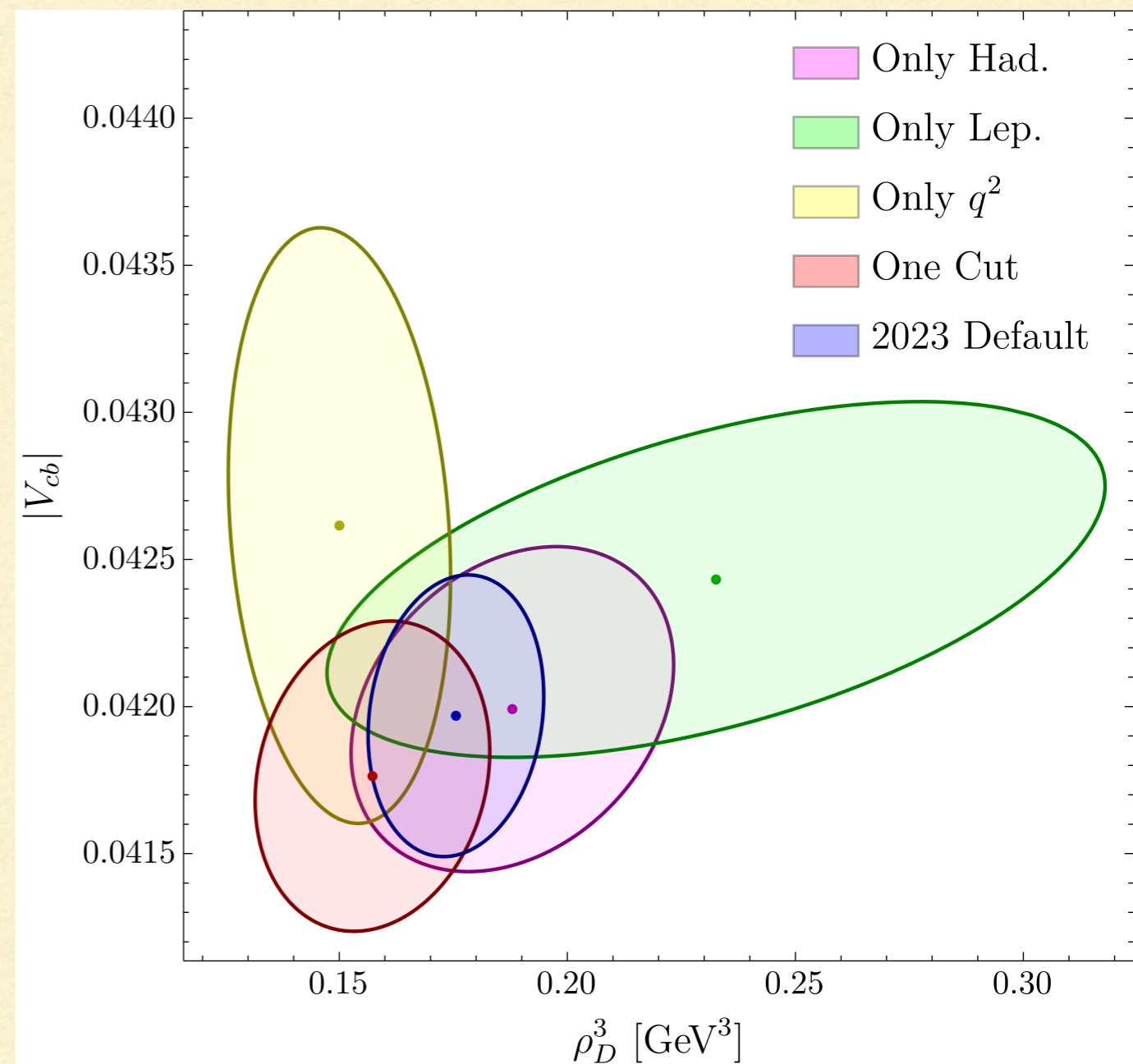
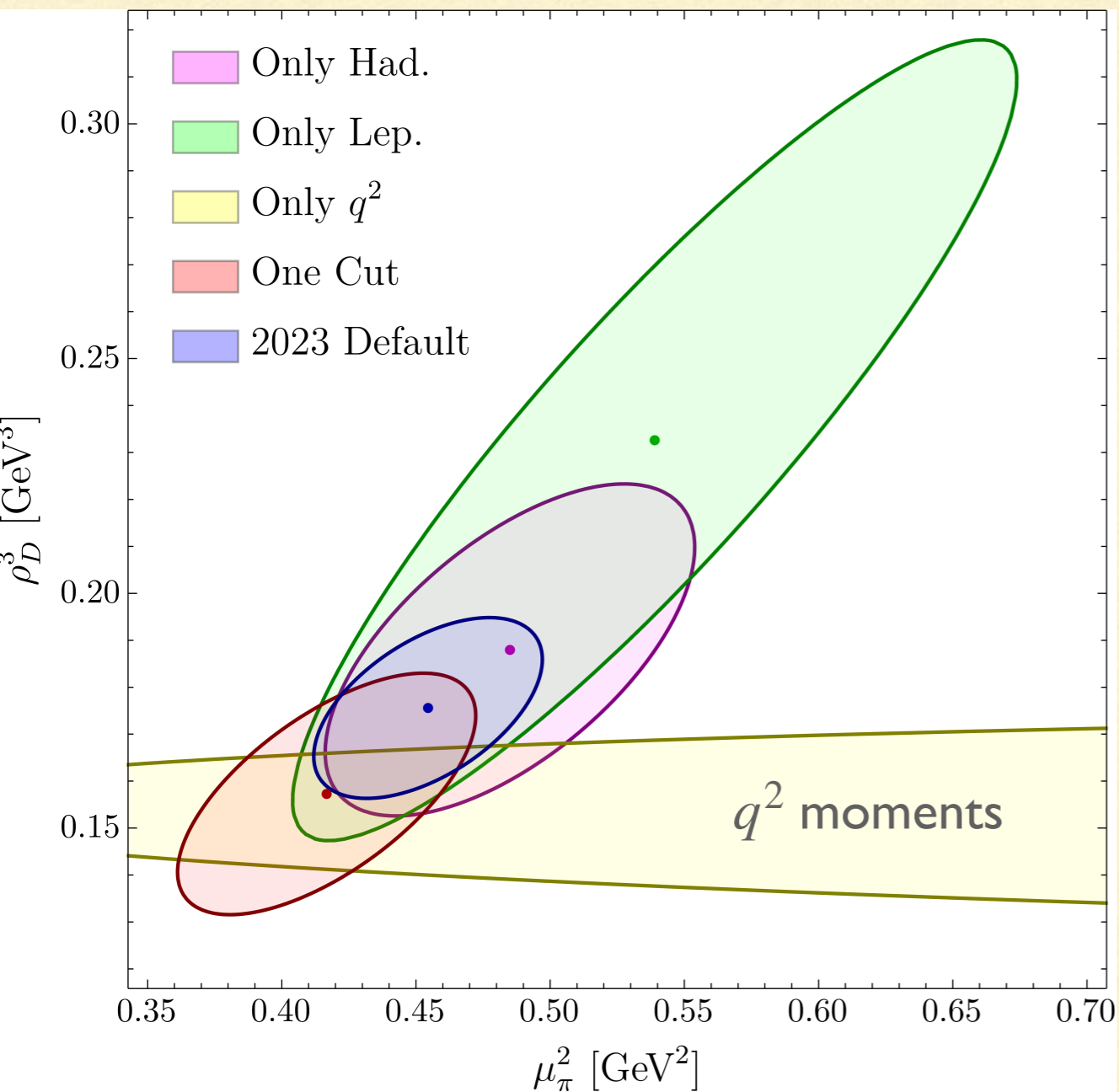
$\chi_{min}^2/dof = 0.55$

$$|V_{cb}| = (41.97 \pm 0.27_{exp} \pm 0.31_{th} \pm 0.25_\Gamma) \times 10^{-3} = (41.97 \pm 0.48) \times 10^{-3}$$

consistent with analysis of  $q^2$  moments by Bernlochner et al, 2205.10274

# comparison of different datasets

Finauri, PG 2310.20324



Theory correlations are no longer an issue

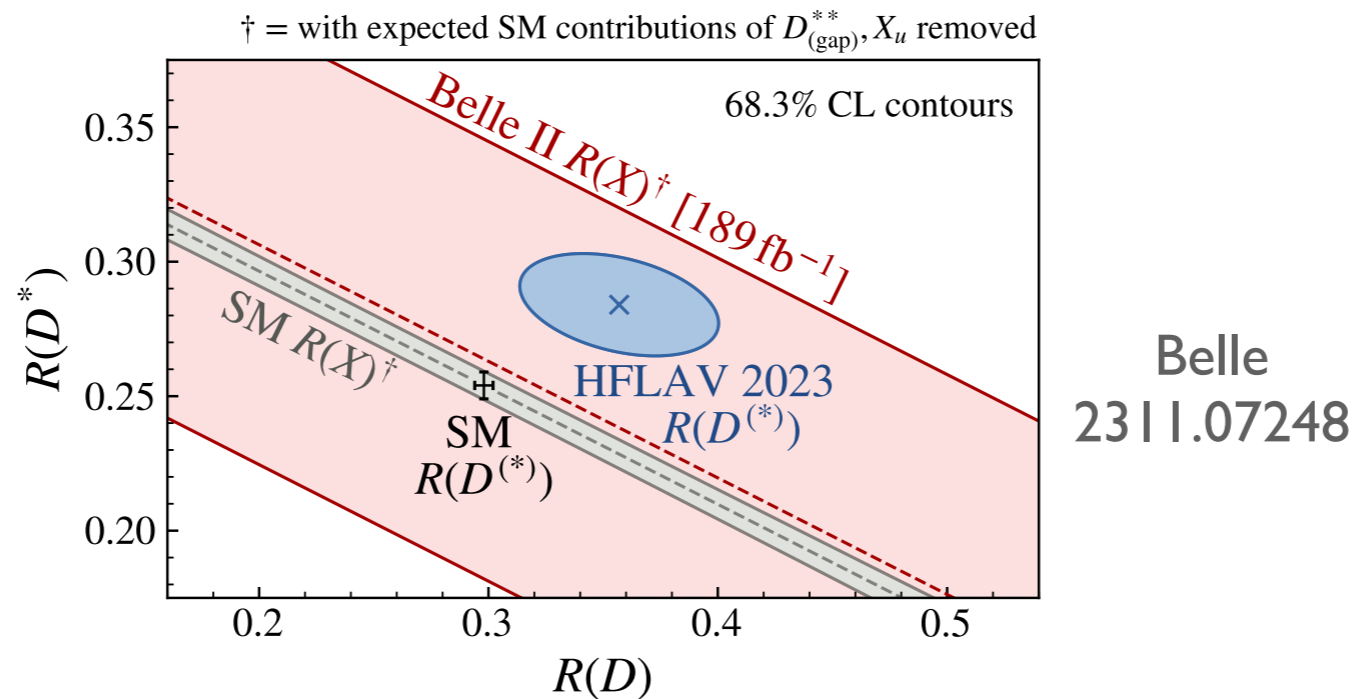
# Tests of Lepton Flavor Universality

KKV, Rahimi [2207.03432]; Ligeti, Tackmann [1406.7013]; Bernlochner, Sevilla, Robinson, Wormser [2101.08326]

$$R_{e/\mu}(X) \equiv \frac{\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_c e \bar{\nu}_e)}{\Gamma(B \rightarrow X_c \mu \bar{\nu}_\mu)}$$

- Belle II result:  $R_{e/\mu}(X) = 1.033 \pm 0.022$  PRL131 [2023] [2301.08266]
- In agreement with new SM predictions:  $1.006 \pm 0.001$  at  $1.2\sigma$
- **New!** Belle II result:  $R_{\tau/\ell}(X) = 0.228 \pm 0.016 \pm 0.036$  @EPS 2311.07248
- In agreement with SM prediction:

$$R_{\tau/\ell}(X) = 0.221 \pm 0.004$$



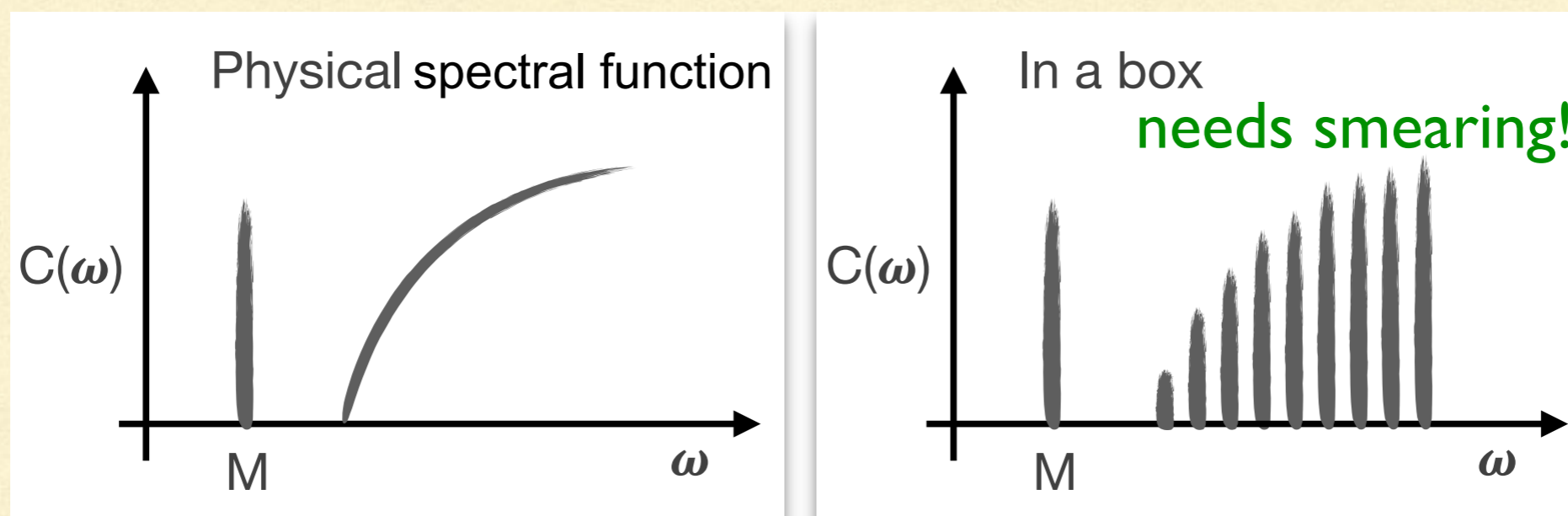
## What's next for moments?

- Measure all kin. moments simultaneously as a function of  $q^2$  ( $E_l^B$ ) thresholds in  
 $B \rightarrow X\ell\nu$ :  $q^2, E_l^B, M_X, \cos\theta_\ell$ , combined variables  $n_X^2(M_X^2, E_X), P_X^\pm(M_X, E_X)$
- Full experimental correlations will be derived => important for global analysis
- Only shape observation (drop tagging eff. calibration, separate from  $\mathcal{B}$  measurement)



# INCLUSIVE DECAYS ON THE LATTICE

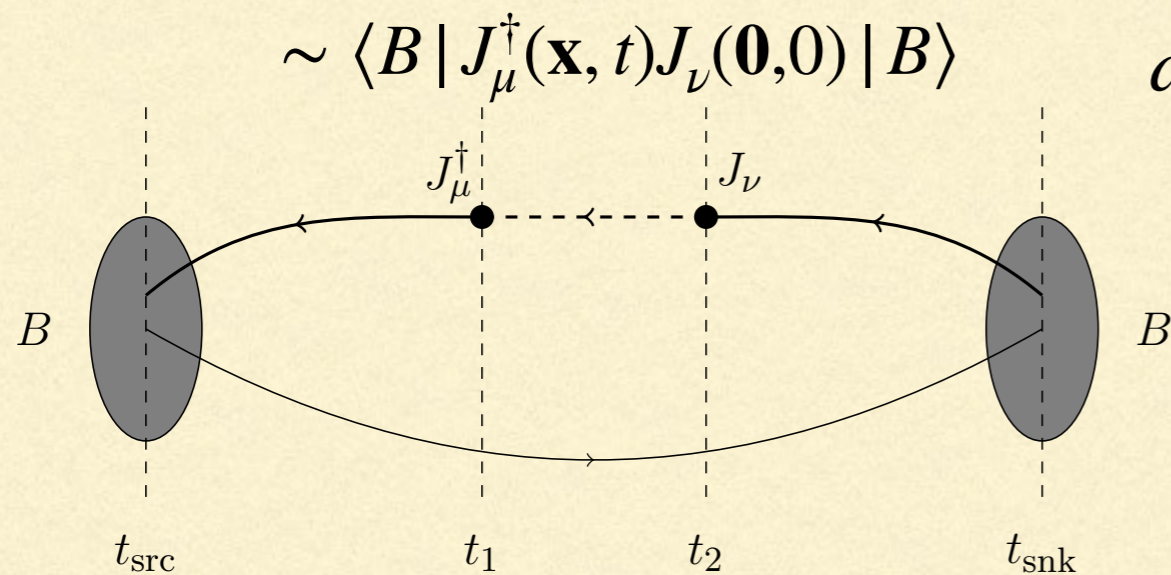
- Inclusive processes *impractical* to treat directly on the lattice. Vacuum current correlators computed in euclidean space-time are related to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow$  hadrons or  $\tau$  decay via analyticity. In our case the correlators have to be computed in the B meson, but analytic continuation more complicated: two cuts, decay occurs only on a portion of the physical cut.
- While the lattice calculation of the spectral density of hadronic correlators is an **ill-posed problem**, the spectral density is accessible *after smearing*, as provided by phase-space integration Hansen, Meyer, Robaina, Hansen, Lupo, Tantaló, Bailas, Hashimoto, Ishikawa



# A PRACTICAL APPROACH

Hashimoto, PG 2005.13730

4-point functions on the lattice are related to the hadronic tensor in euclidean

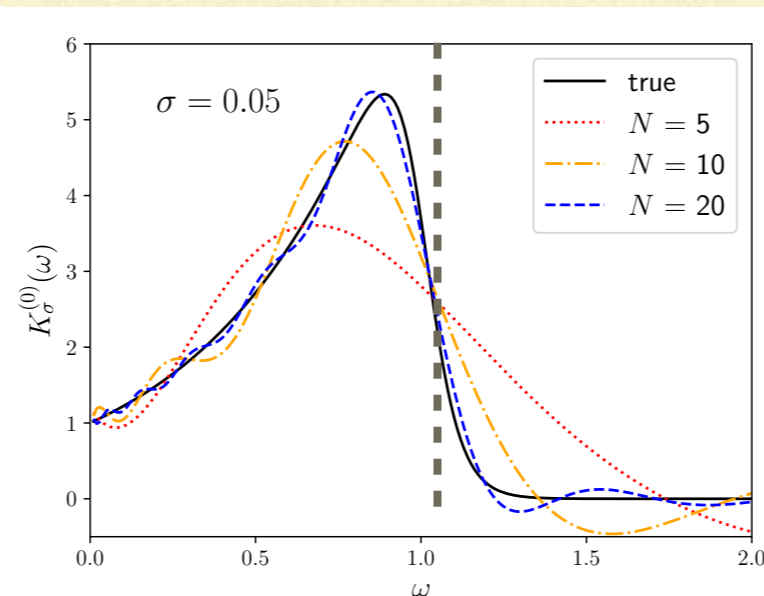
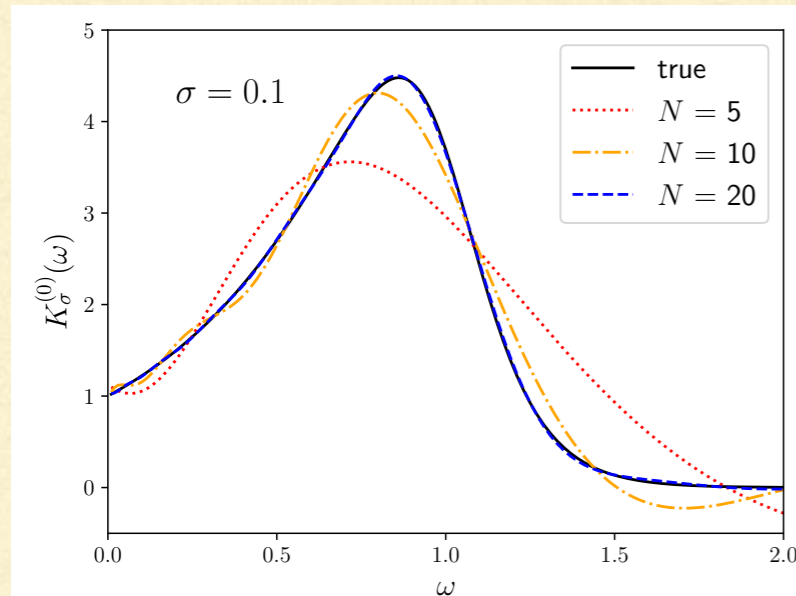


$$d\Gamma \sim L^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu}, \quad W_{\mu\nu} \sim \sum_X \langle B | J_\mu^\dagger | X \rangle \langle X | J_\nu | B \rangle$$

$$\int d^3x \frac{e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{x}}}{2M_B} \langle B | J_\mu^\dagger(\mathbf{x}, t) J_\nu(\mathbf{0}, 0) | B \rangle \sim \int_0^\infty d\omega W_{\mu\nu} e^{-t\omega}$$

smearing kernel  $f(\omega) = \sum_n a_n e^{-na\omega}$

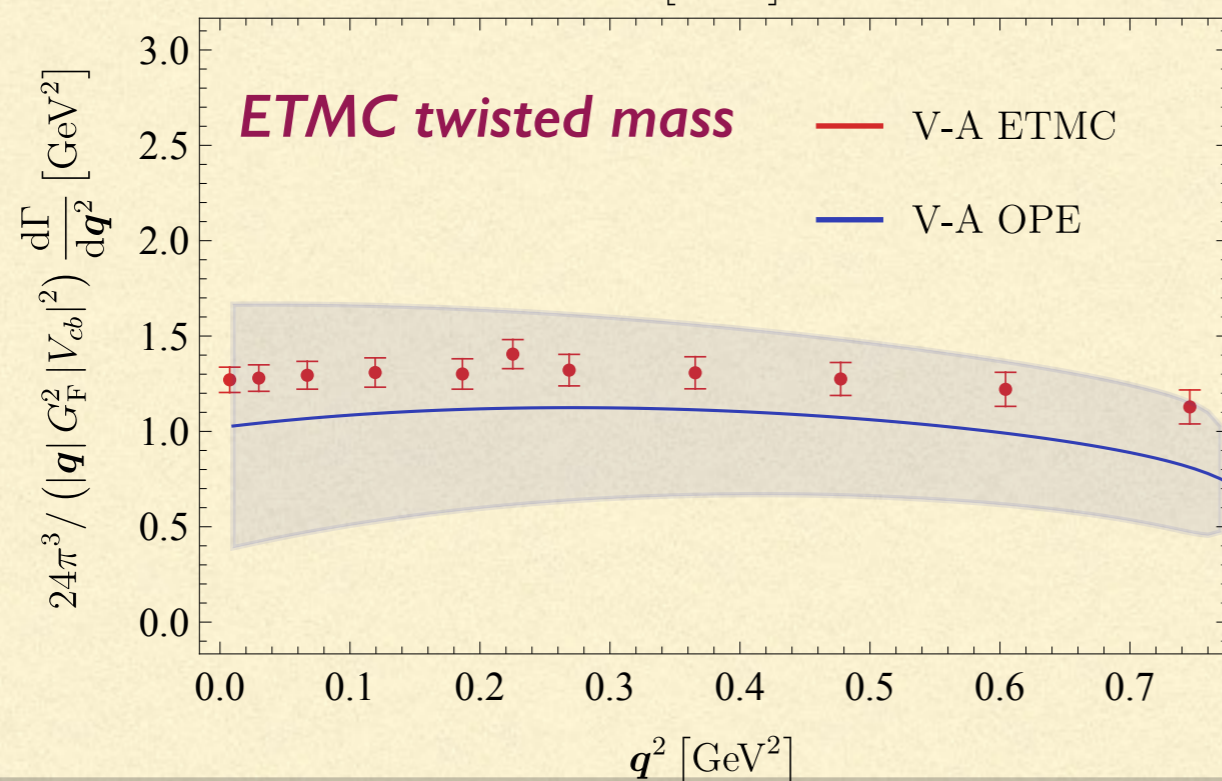
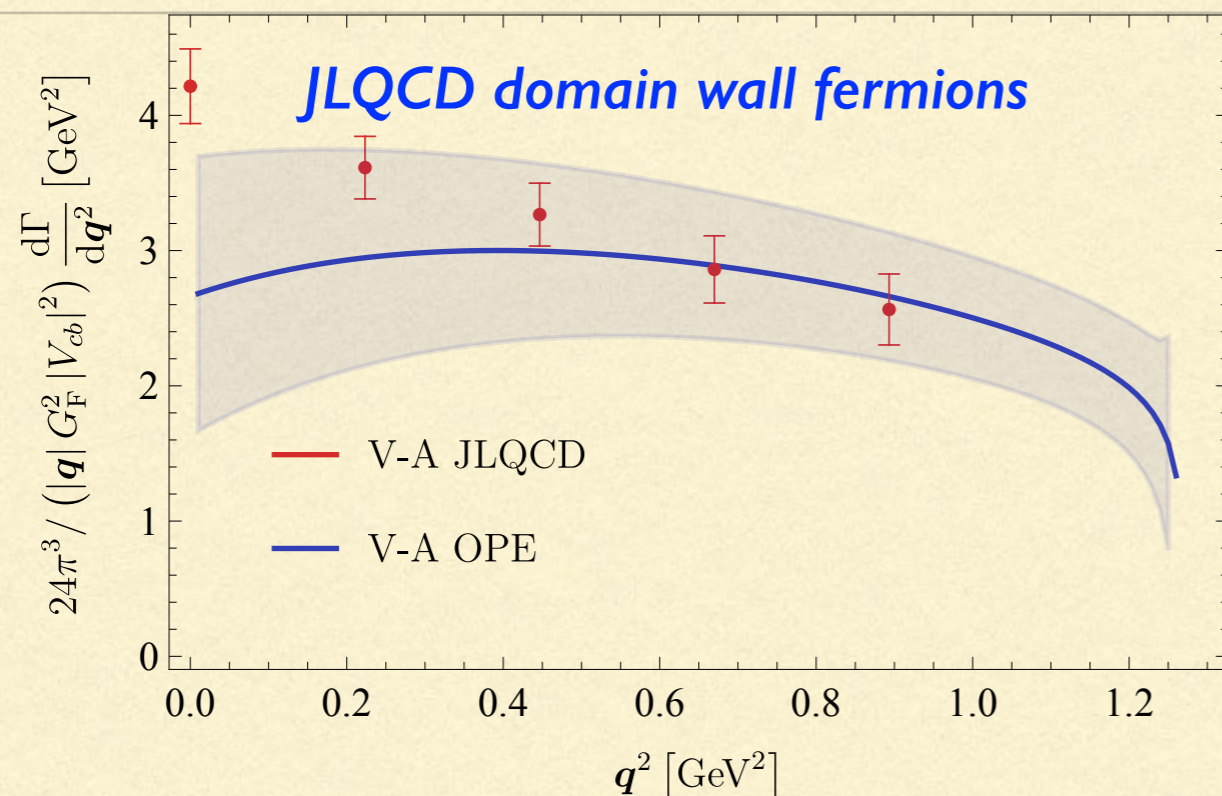
**The necessary smearing is provided by phase space integration** over the hadronic energy, which is cut by a  $\theta$  with a sharp hedge: sigmoid  $1/(1 + e^{x/\sigma})$  can be used to replace kinematic  $\theta(x)$  for  $\sigma \rightarrow 0$ . Larger number of polynomials needed for small  $\sigma$



Two methods based on Chebyshev polynomials and Backus-Gilbert. Important:

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} X_\sigma$$

# LATTICE VS OPE



$m_b^{kin}$ (JLQCD)	$2.70 \pm 0.04$
$\bar{m}_c(2 \text{ GeV})$ (JLQCD)	$1.10 \pm 0.02$
$m_b^{kin}$ (ETMC)	$2.39 \pm 0.08$
$\bar{m}_c(2 \text{ GeV})$ (ETMC)	$1.19 \pm 0.04$
$\mu_\pi^2$	$0.57 \pm 0.15$
$\rho_D^3$	$0.22 \pm 0.06$
$\mu_G^2(m_b)$	$0.37 \pm 0.10$
$\rho_{LS}^3$	$-0.13 \pm 0.10$
$\alpha_s^{(4)}(2 \text{ GeV})$	$0.301 \pm 0.006$

OPE inputs from fits to exp data (physical  $m_b$ ), HQE of meson masses on lattice

1704.06105, J.Phys.Conf.Ser. 1137 (2019) 1, 012005

We include  $O(1/m_b^3)$  and  $O(\alpha_s)$  terms

Hard scale  $\sqrt{m_c^2 + \mathbf{q}^2} \sim 1 - 1.5 \text{ GeV}$

We do not expect OPE to work at high  $|\mathbf{q}|$

Twisted boundary conditions allow for any value of  $\vec{q}^2$

Smaller statistical uncertainties

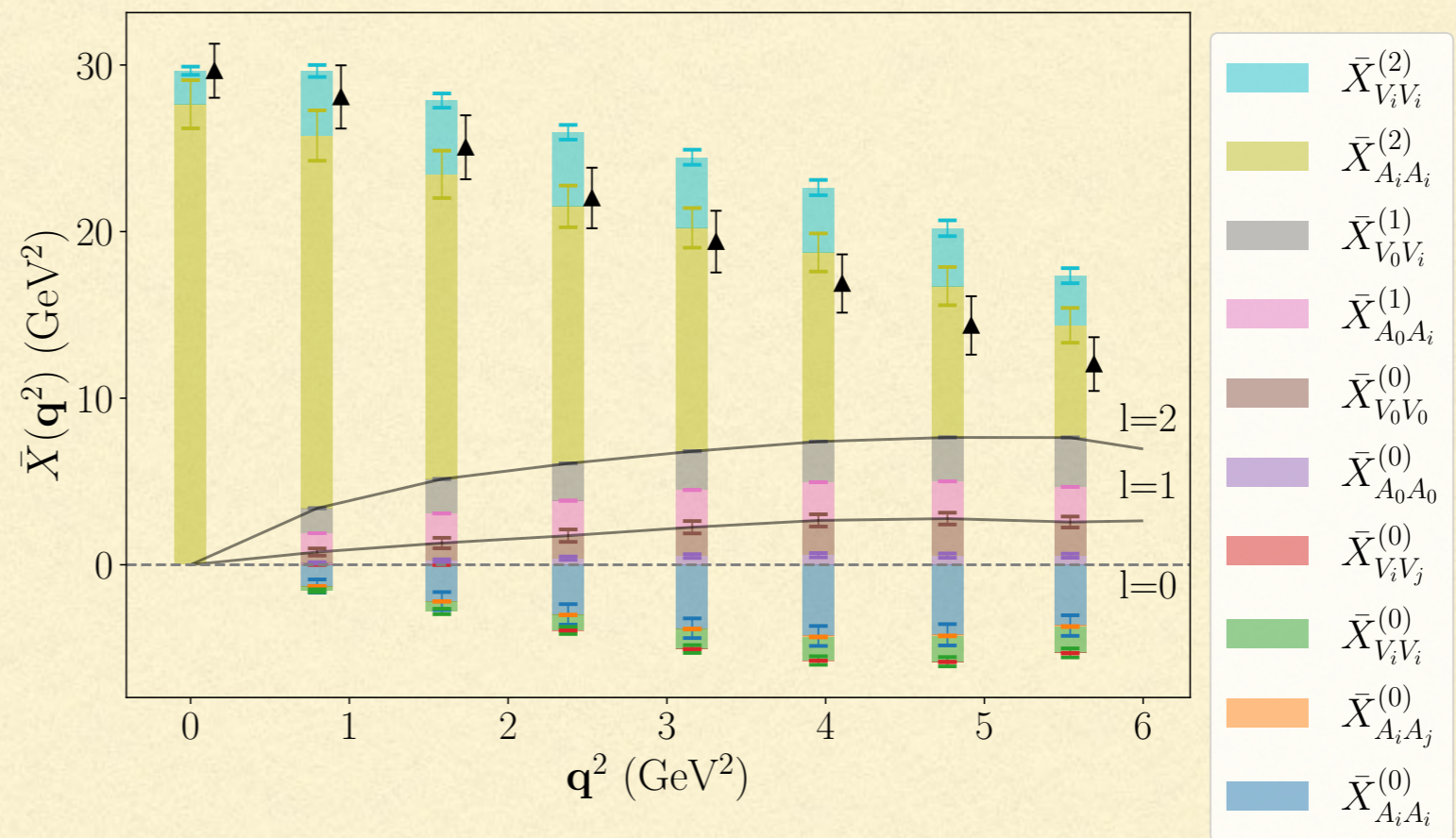
# First results at the physical $b$ mass

Relativistic heavy quark  
effective action for  $b$

$B_s$  decays,  
domain wall fermions,  
improved implementation  
of Chebychev polynomials  
and Backus-Gilbert

qualitative study  
~5% statistical uncertainty  
on total width

possibly better to compare  
with partial width at low  $\vec{q}^2$



Barone, Hashimoto, Juttner, Kaneko, Kellermann, 2305.14092

Ongoing work on semileptonic  $D, D_s$  decays by two collaborations

# INCLUSIVE $|V_{ub}|$

Important Belle measurement 2102.00020

In my opinion, the cleanest measurement is the most inclusive one with  $M_X < 1.7\text{GeV}, E_\ell > 1\text{GeV}$ :

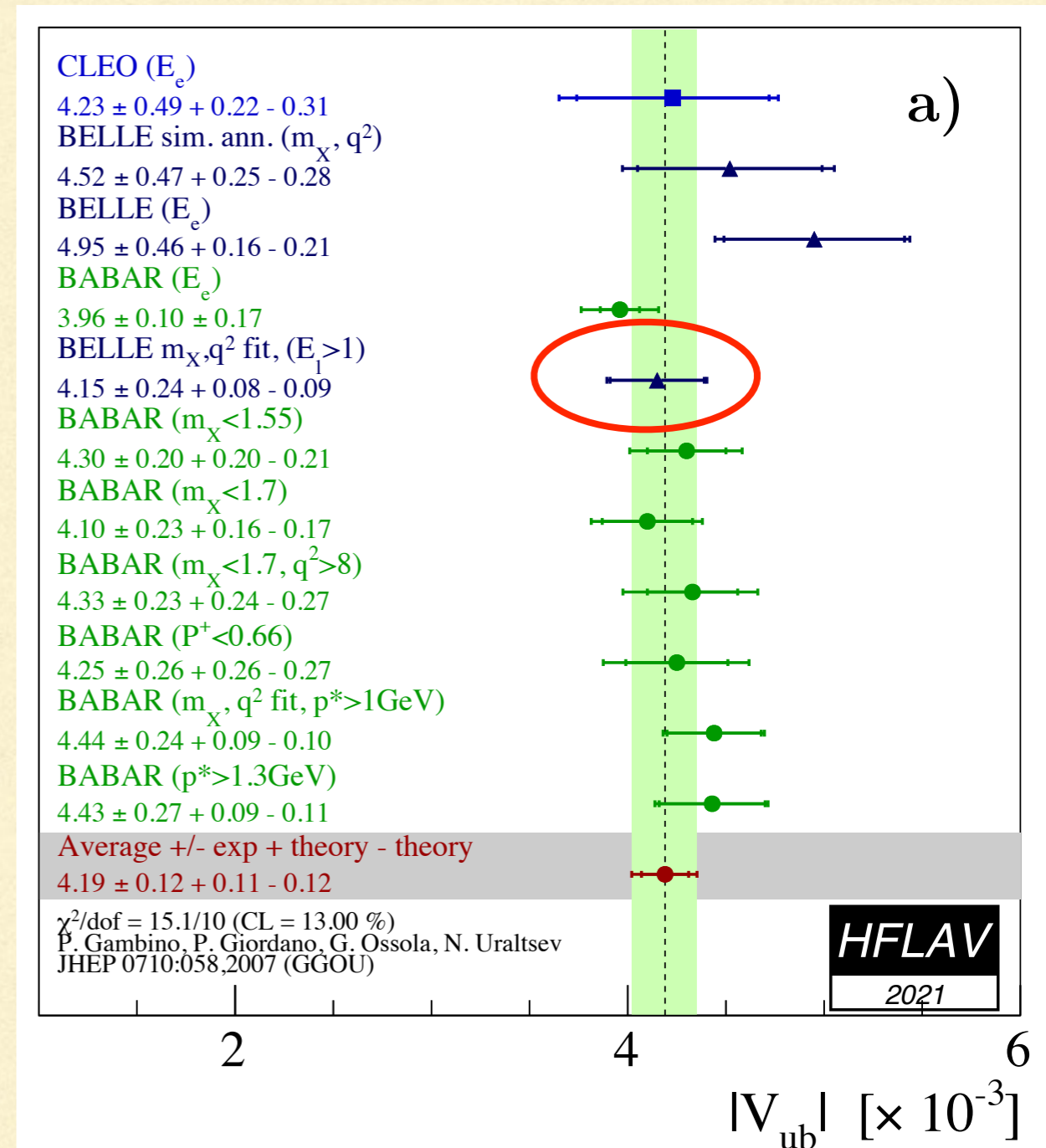
$$|V_{ub}| = (3.97 \pm 0.08 \pm 0.16 \pm 0.16) 10^{-3}$$

Framework	$ V_{ub}  [10^{-3}]$
BLNP	$4.28 \pm 0.13^{+0.20}_{-0.21}$
DGE	$3.93 \pm 0.10^{+0.09}_{-0.10}$
GGOU	$4.19 \pm 0.12^{+0.11}_{-0.12}$
ADFR	$3.92 \pm 0.1^{+0.18}_{-0.12}$
BLL ( $m_X/q^2$ only)	$4.62 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.29$

Not all approaches at the same level  
Some discrepancy hidden in the average

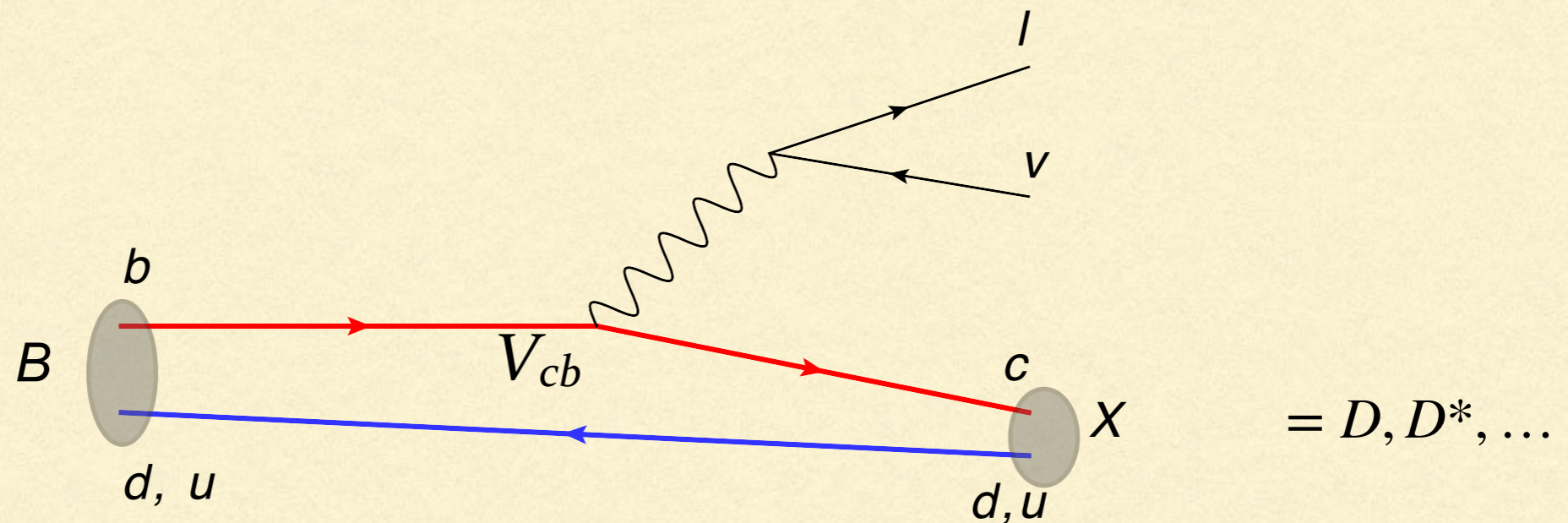
Recent calculation of the  $O(\alpha_s/m_b^2)$  effects in  $B \rightarrow X_u \ell \nu$ , Capdevila, Nandi, PG

recent  $|V_{ub}^{\text{excl.}}| / |V_{ub}^{\text{incl.}}| = 0.97 \pm 0.12$  2303.17309



**Look forward to validating approaches on Belle II data (SIMBA, NNVUB)!**

# EXCLUSIVE DECAYS



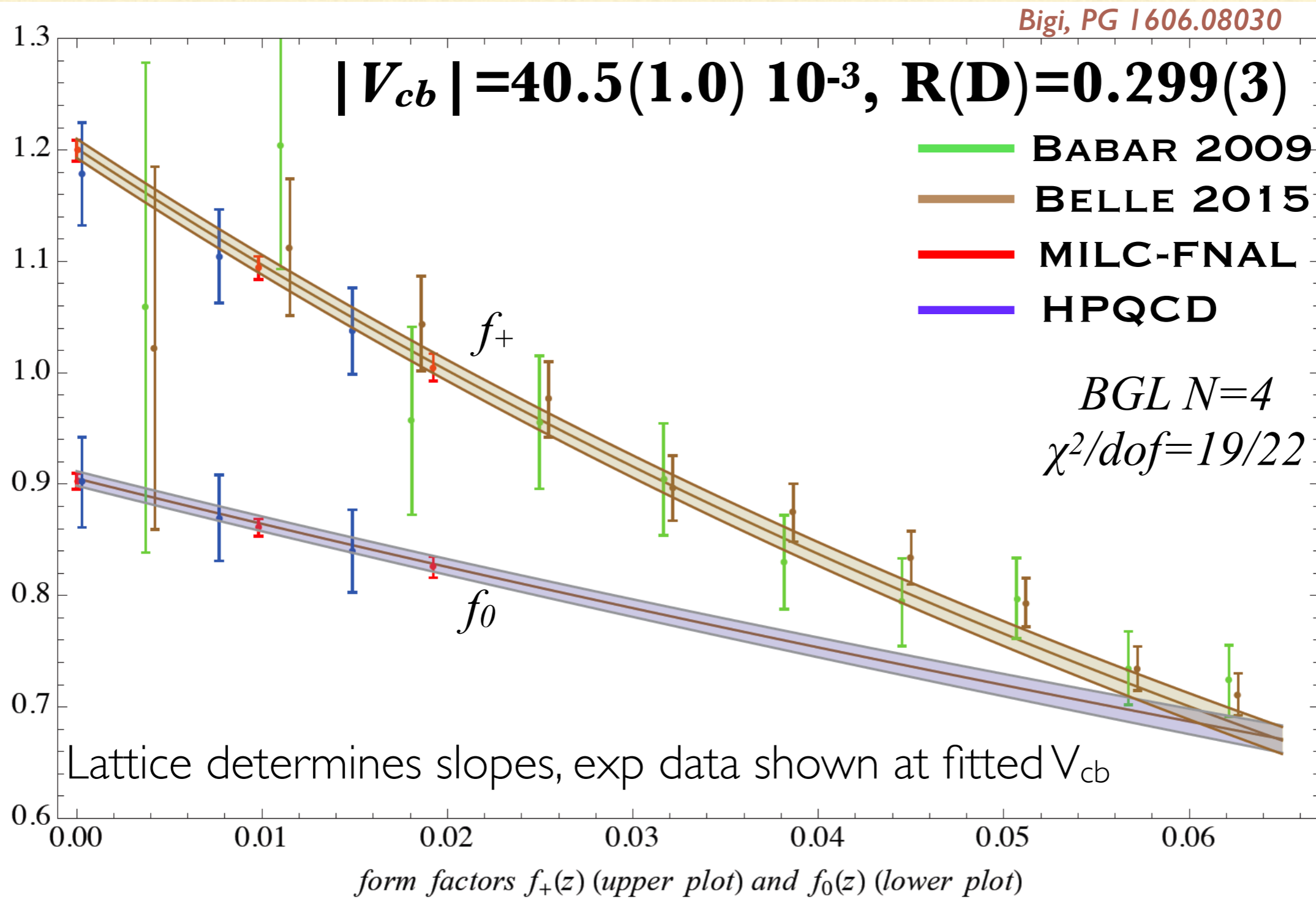
There are 1(2) and 3(4) FFs for D and  $D^*$  for light (heavy) leptons, for instance

$$\langle D(k) | \bar{c} \gamma^\mu b | \bar{B}(p) \rangle = \left[ (p + k)^\mu - \frac{M_B^2 - M_D^2}{q^2} q^\mu \right] f_+^{B \rightarrow D}(q^2) + \frac{M_B^2 - M_D^2}{q^2} q^\mu f_0^{B \rightarrow D}(q^2)$$

Information on FFs from LQCD (at high  $q^2$ ), LCSR (at low  $q^2$ ), HQE, exp, extrapolation, unitarity constraints, ...

A **model independent parametrization** is very useful. In particular  
BGL (Boyd, Grinstein, Lebed)

# LATTICE + EXP BGL FIT for $B \rightarrow D\ell\nu$



$R(D) = 0.299(3)$

$1.3\sigma$  from exp

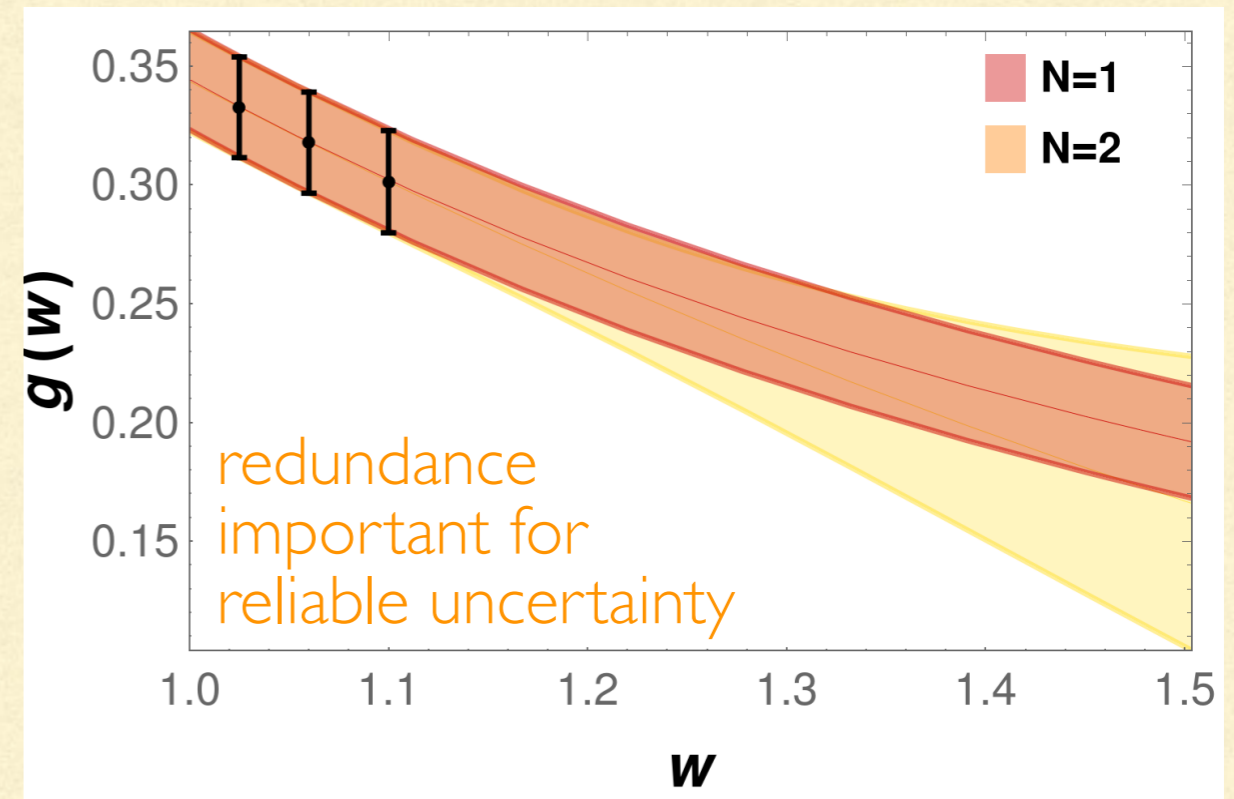
FLAG has very similar results

CLN cannot fit both ff

# Model independence vs overfitting

$$f(q^2) = A(q^2) \sum_i^{\infty} a_i z(q^2)^i, \quad \sum_i^{\infty} a_i^2 < 1$$

with  $|z| < 0.06$ . Where do we truncate the series? How can we include unitarity constraints? These questions are related.



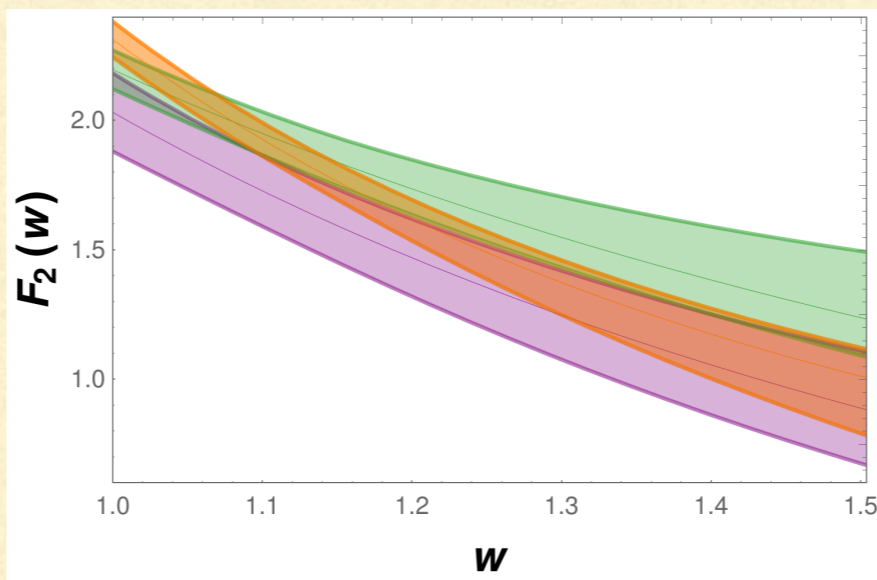
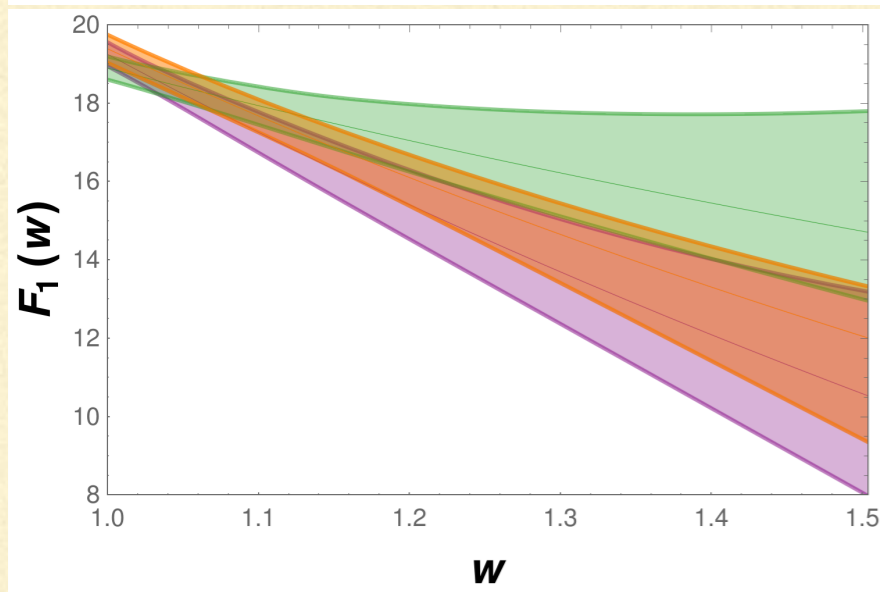
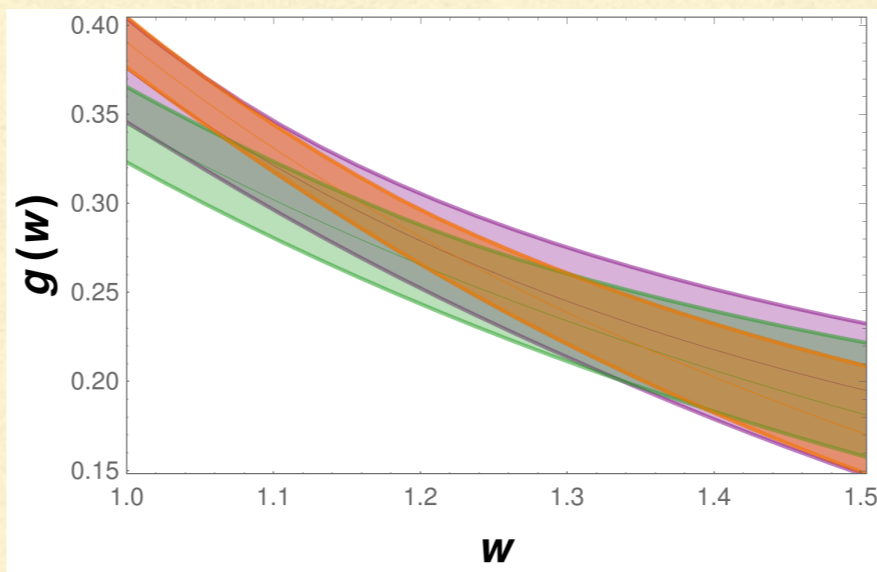
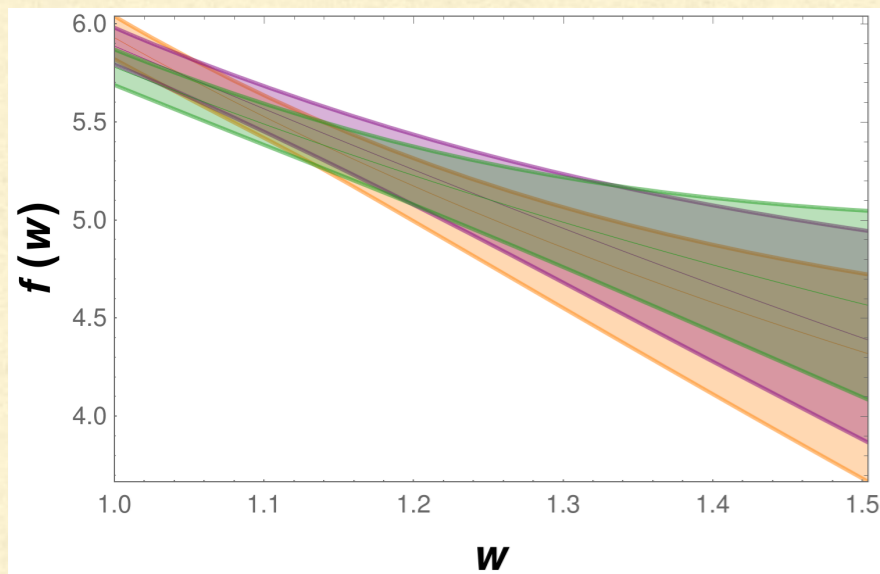
until you have lots of precise data...

Different options with various pro/cons:

1. Frequentist fits with strong  $\chi^2$  **penalty** outside unitarity; increase BGL order till  $\chi_{min}^2$  is stable. Can compute CL intervals Bigi, PG, 1606.08030, Jung, Schacht, PG 1905.08209 **New: Feldman-Cousins consistent frequentist approach with well-defined CL**
2. Frequentist fit with **Nested Hypothesis Test or AIC** to determine optimal truncation order: go to order  $N + 1$  if  $\Delta\chi^2 = \chi_{min,N}^2 - \chi_{min,N+1}^2 \geq 1,2$  Check unitarity a posteriori Bernlochner et al, 1902.09553
3. **Bayesian inference** using unitarity constraints as prior with BGL Flynn, Jüttner, Tsang 2303.11285 or in the **Dispersive Matrix approach (which avoids truncation)**, Martinelli, Simula, Vittorio et al. 2105.02497



# LATTICE FORM FACTORS FOR $B \rightarrow D^*$



FERMILAB/MILC

JLQCD

HPQCD

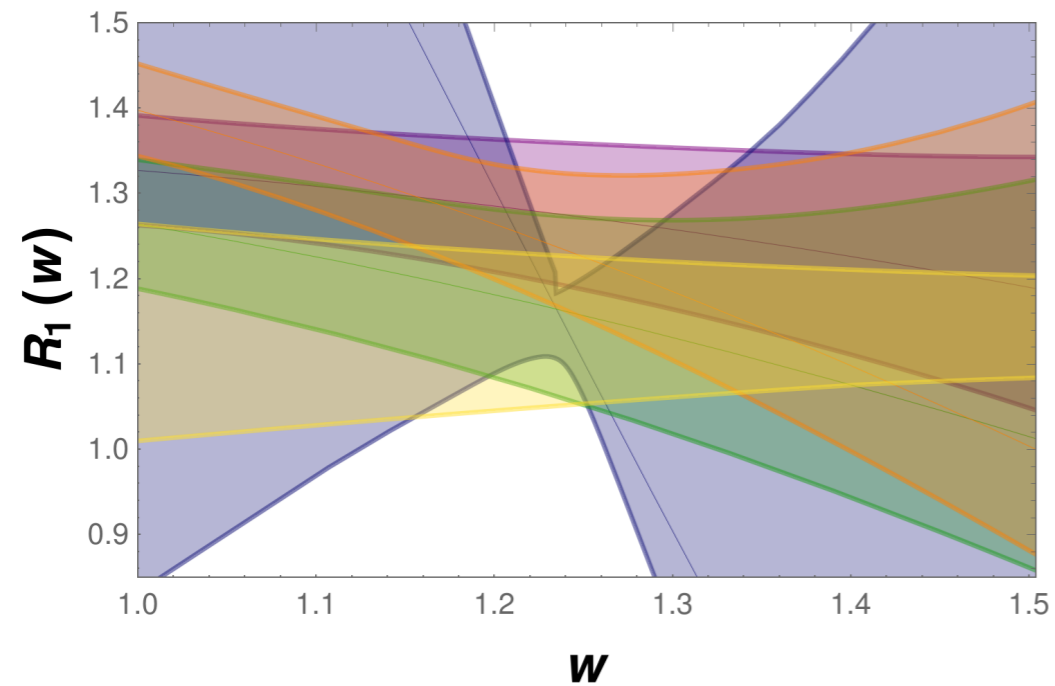
2105.14019, 2112.13775, 2304.03137

No major discrepancy

but differences may  
get amplified in certain  
combinations of ffs

see Andreas Juttner talk

# RATIOS OF FORM FACTORS



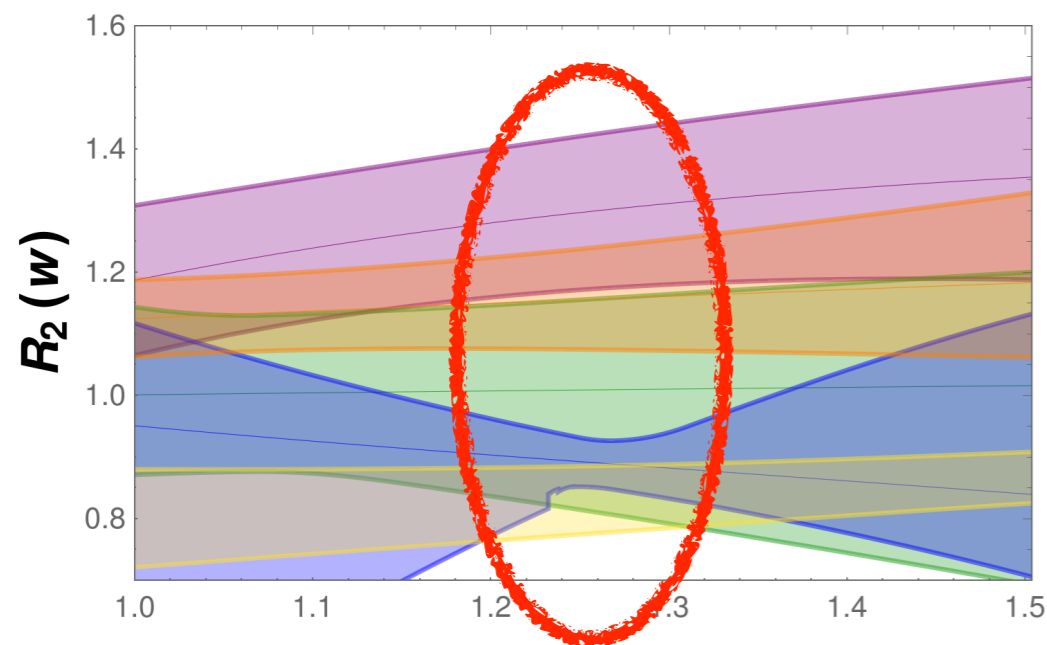
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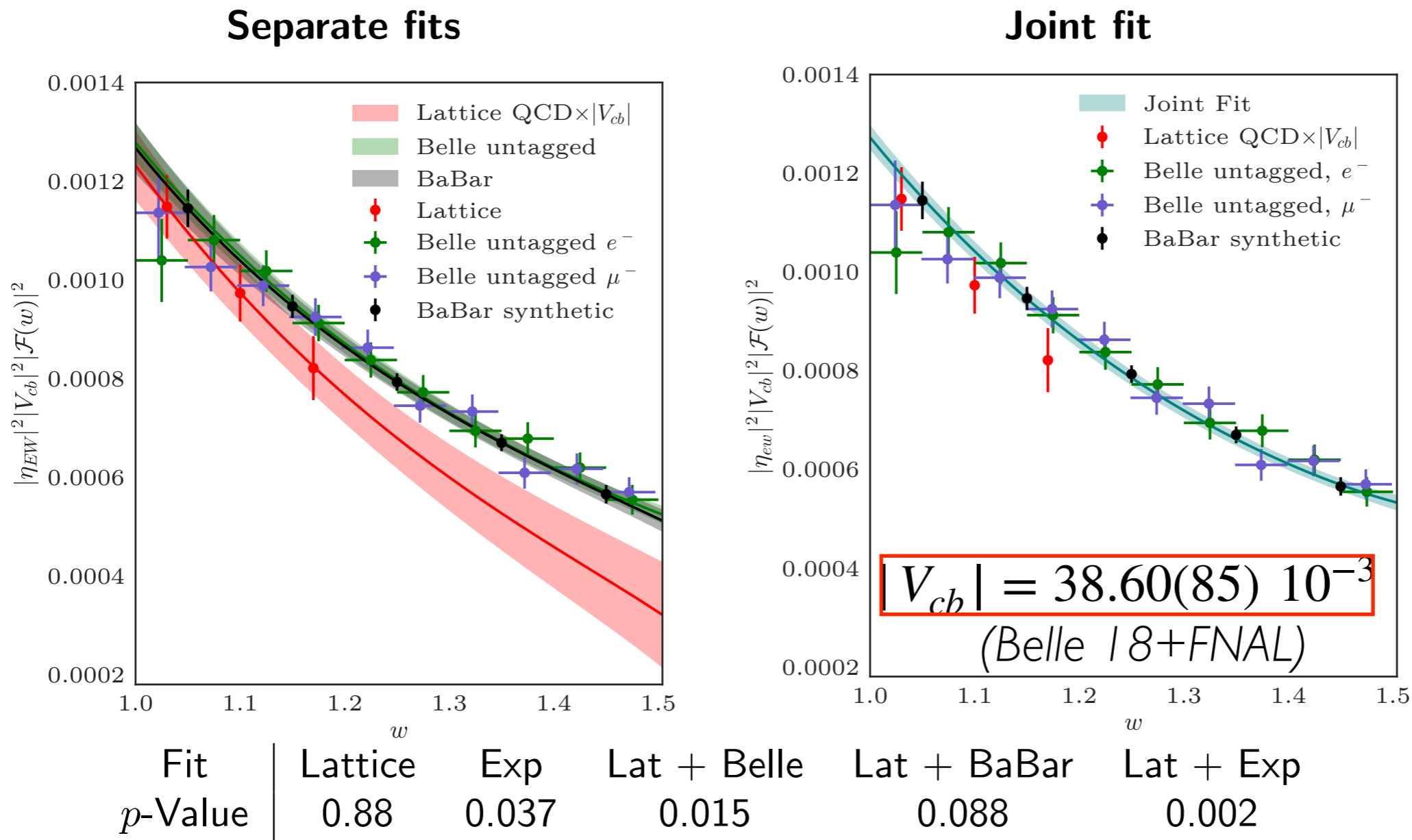
HQE (LCSR+SR+lat<2019)

EXP (Belle 2018)



Form factor ratios more sensitive to differences. Stark tension between F/M & HPQCD and HQE & EXP in  $R_2$

M.Jung

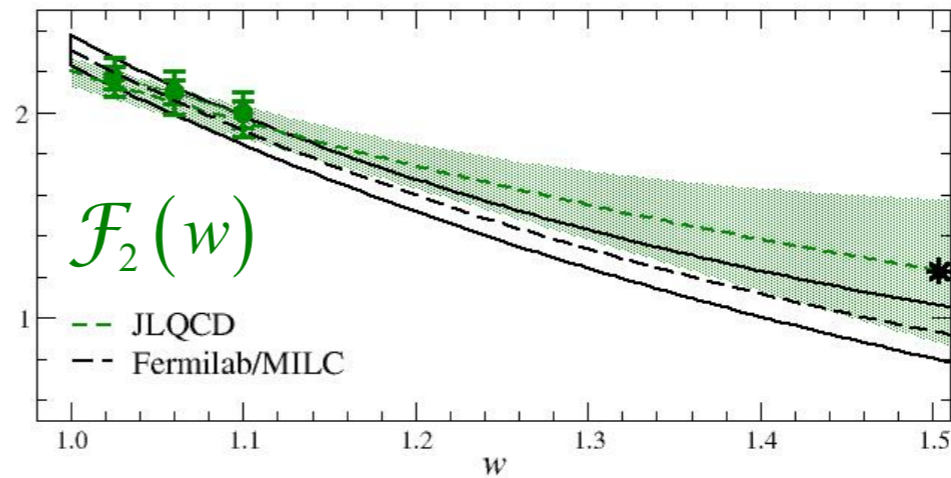
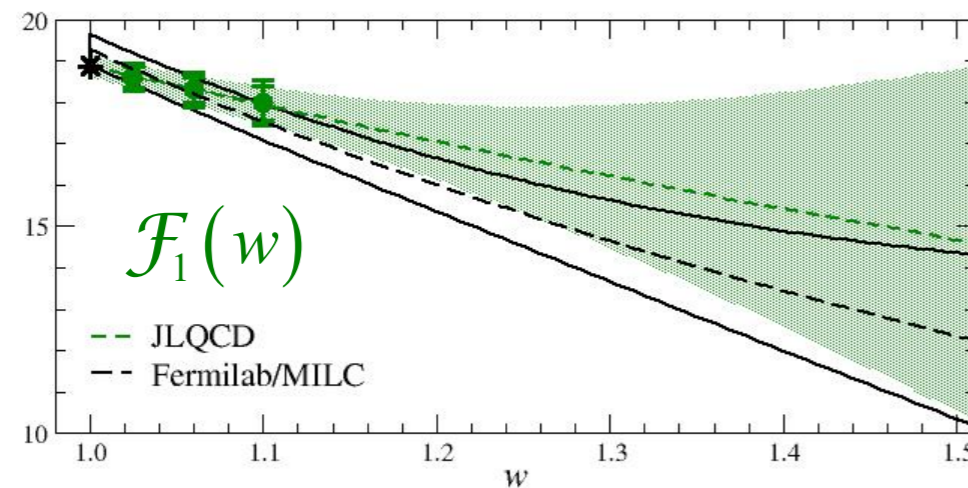
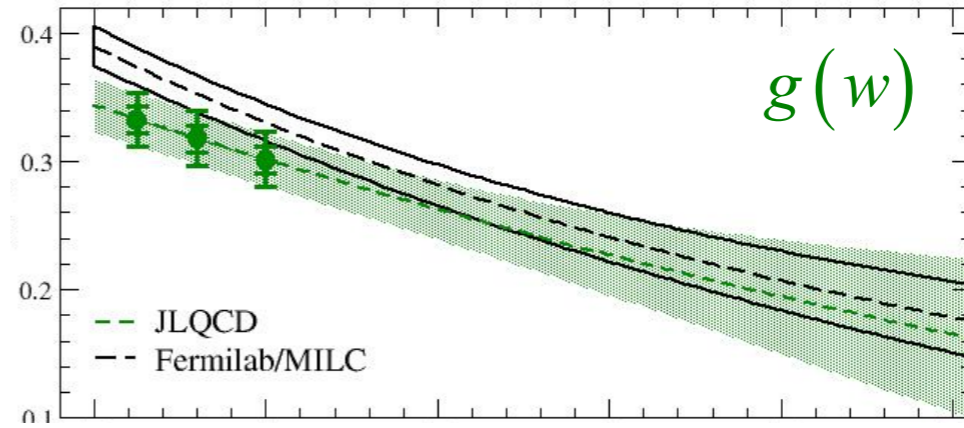
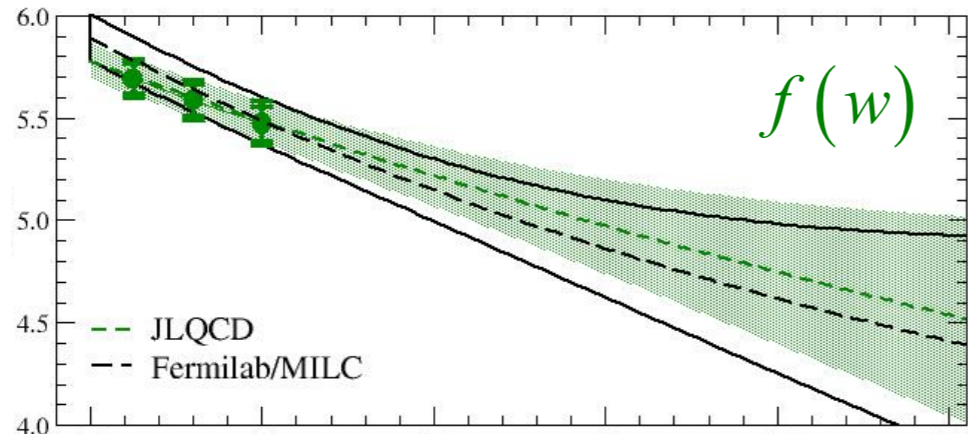


*First lattice calculation beyond zero recoil for this mode*

Our analysis of Belle 18+ FNAL data (Jung, PG):  
 $|V_{cb}| = 39.4(9) \cdot 10^{-3}$  ( $\chi^2_{min} = 50$ ) using only total rate  $|V_{cb}| = 42.2^{+2.8}_{-1.7} \cdot 10^{-3}$

# JLQCD RESULTS

## JLQCD vs Fermilab/MILC



- reasonably consistent

$$\Leftrightarrow g @ w \sim 1$$

T. Kaneko @ Barolo workshop 4/2021

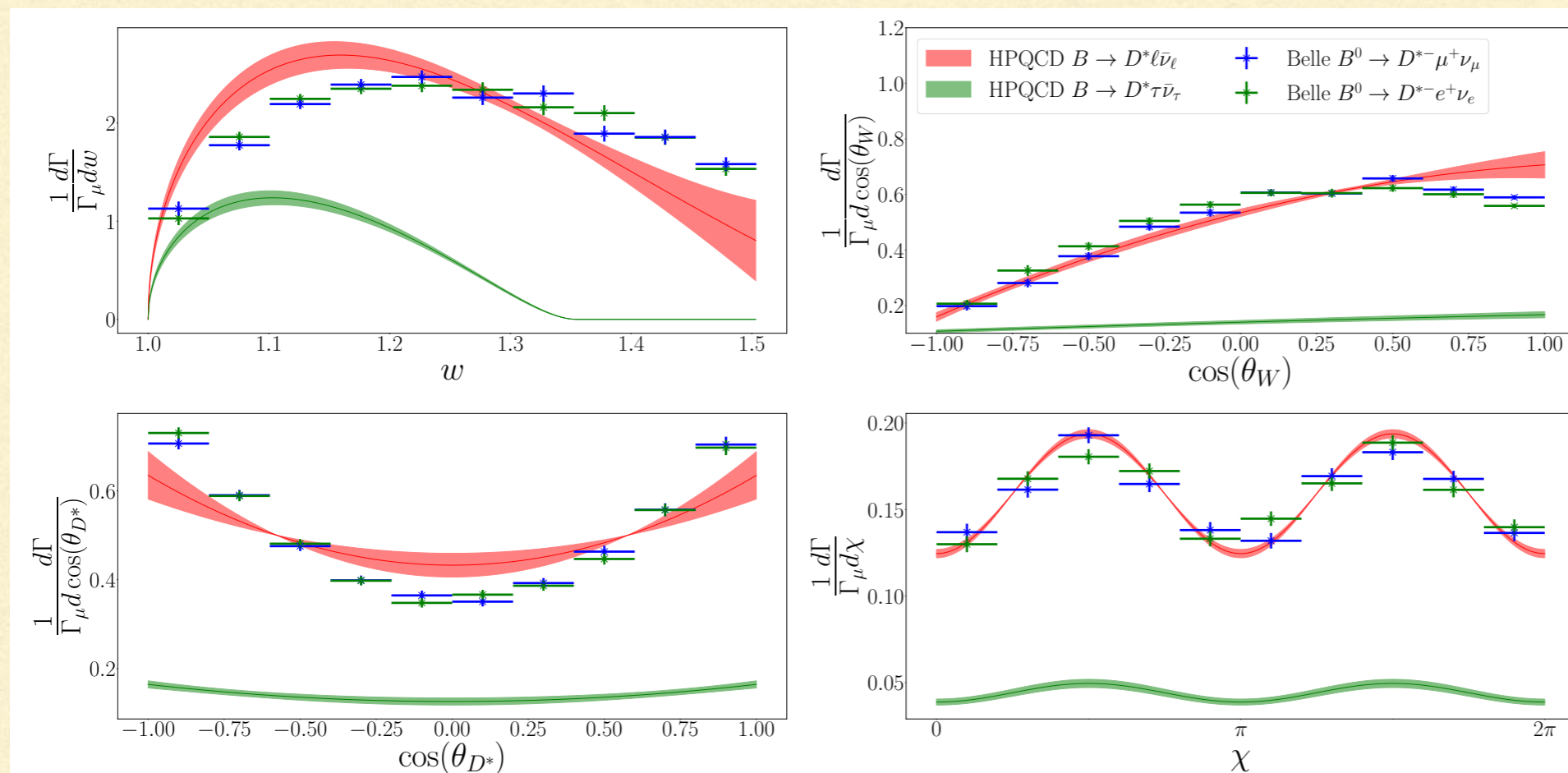
Kaneko et al 2112.13775

Our analysis of Belle I 8+ JLQCD data (Jung, PG):

$$|V_{cb}| = 40.7(9) \cdot 10^{-3} \quad (\chi_{min}^2 = 33) \text{ using only total rate } |V_{cb}| = 40.8_{-2.3}^{+1.8} \cdot 10^{-3}$$

# HPQCD

2304.03137v2



Tension with Belle 2018 data similar to FNAL

## Belle I 8+HPQCD

BGL exp	$\chi^2$	$ V_{cb} $
0001	59	41.0(9)
0101	55	41.1(9)
0111	44	40.7(9)
1111	43	40.5(9)
1121	42	40.4(9)
1222	42	40.4(9)
2222	40	40.2(9)
2232	40	40.2(9)
3333	40	40.2(9)

Extrapolation in  $m_h$ , data cover the whole  $w$  region

Our analysis of Belle I 8+ HPQCD data (Jung, PG):

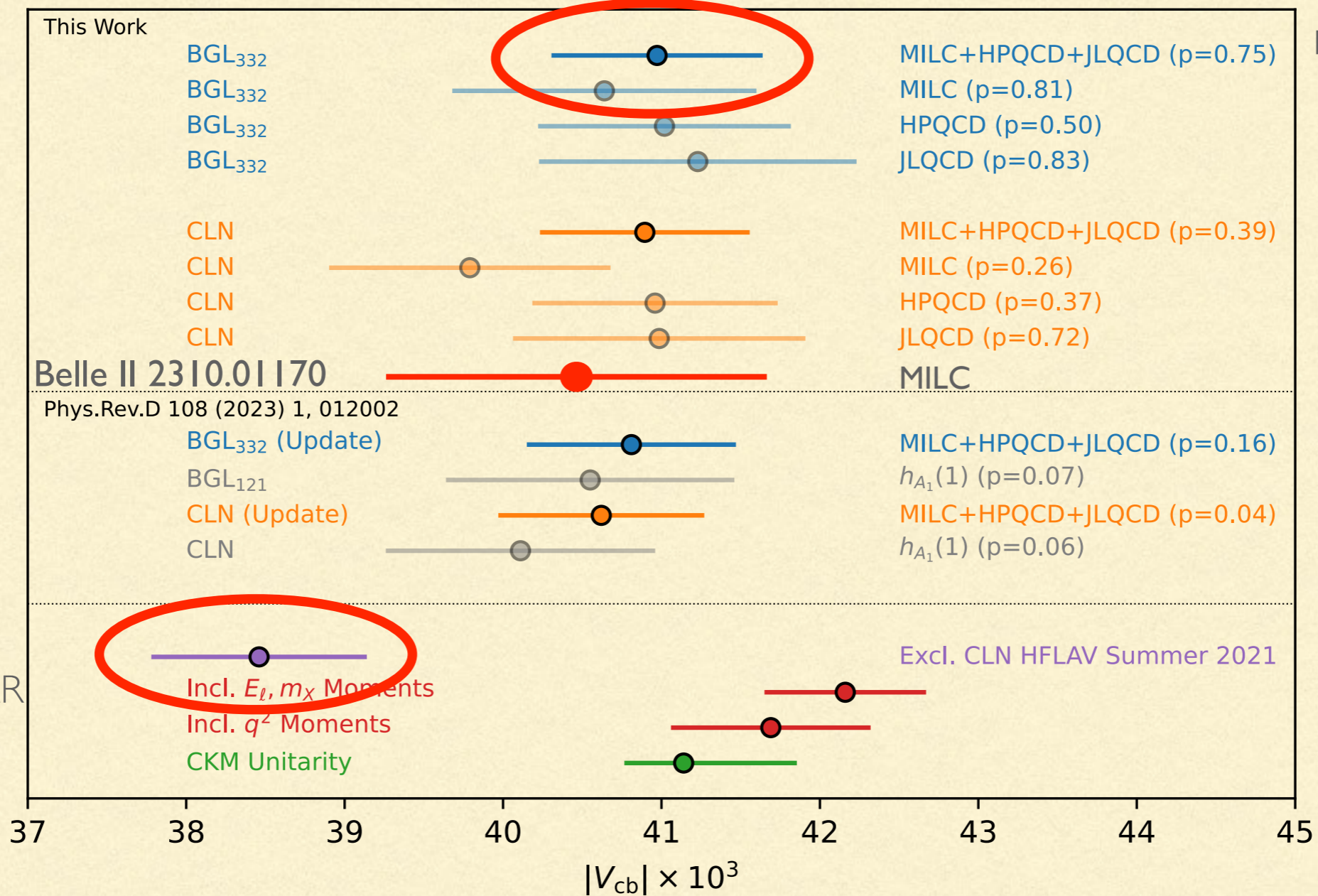
$|V_{cb}|=40.2(9) \cdot 10^{-3}$  using only total rate  $|V_{cb}|=43.2 \pm 2.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$

Global BGL fit to Belle I 8+FNAL+JLQCD+HPQCD data:

$|V_{cb}|=40.2(7) \cdot 10^{-3}$  ( $\chi^2_{min} = 71.4$ ) using only total rate  $|V_{cb}|=41.6(1.3) \cdot 10^{-3}$

# New from Belle! [2310.20286]

$$|V_{cb}| = 41.0(7) \times 10^{-3}$$

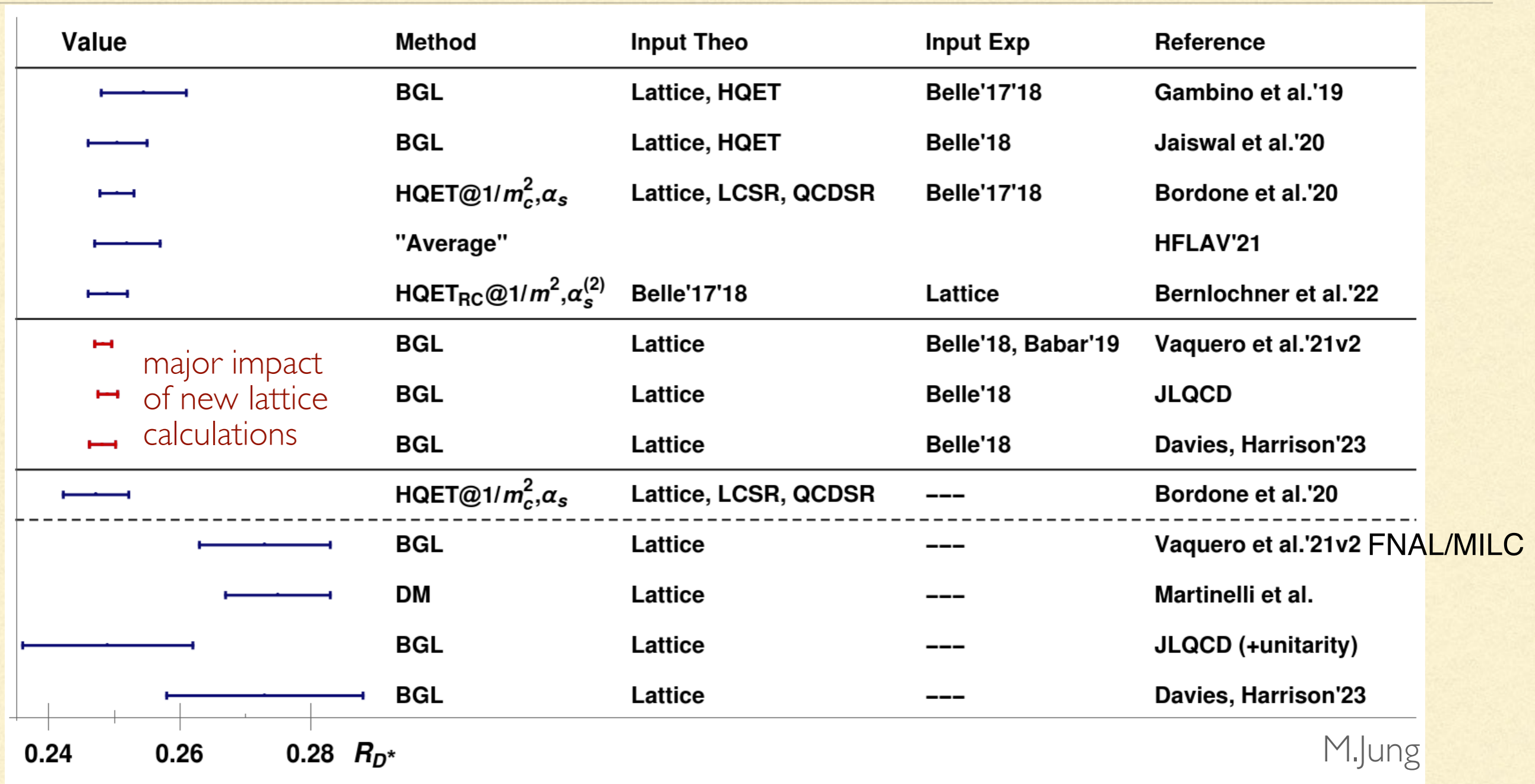


normalisation  
from HFLAV  
total rate!

SEE ALSO  
1903.10002, LHCb  
2001.03225 BABAR

Do we understand why they differ so much?  
Should we average them?

# $R(D^*)$ PREDICTIONS



Predictions based only on Fermilab & HPQCD lead to larger  $R(D^*)$ , in better agreement with exp, mostly because of the suppression at high  $w$  of the denominator. **No reason not to use experimental data for a SM test**, especially in presence of tensions in lattice data.

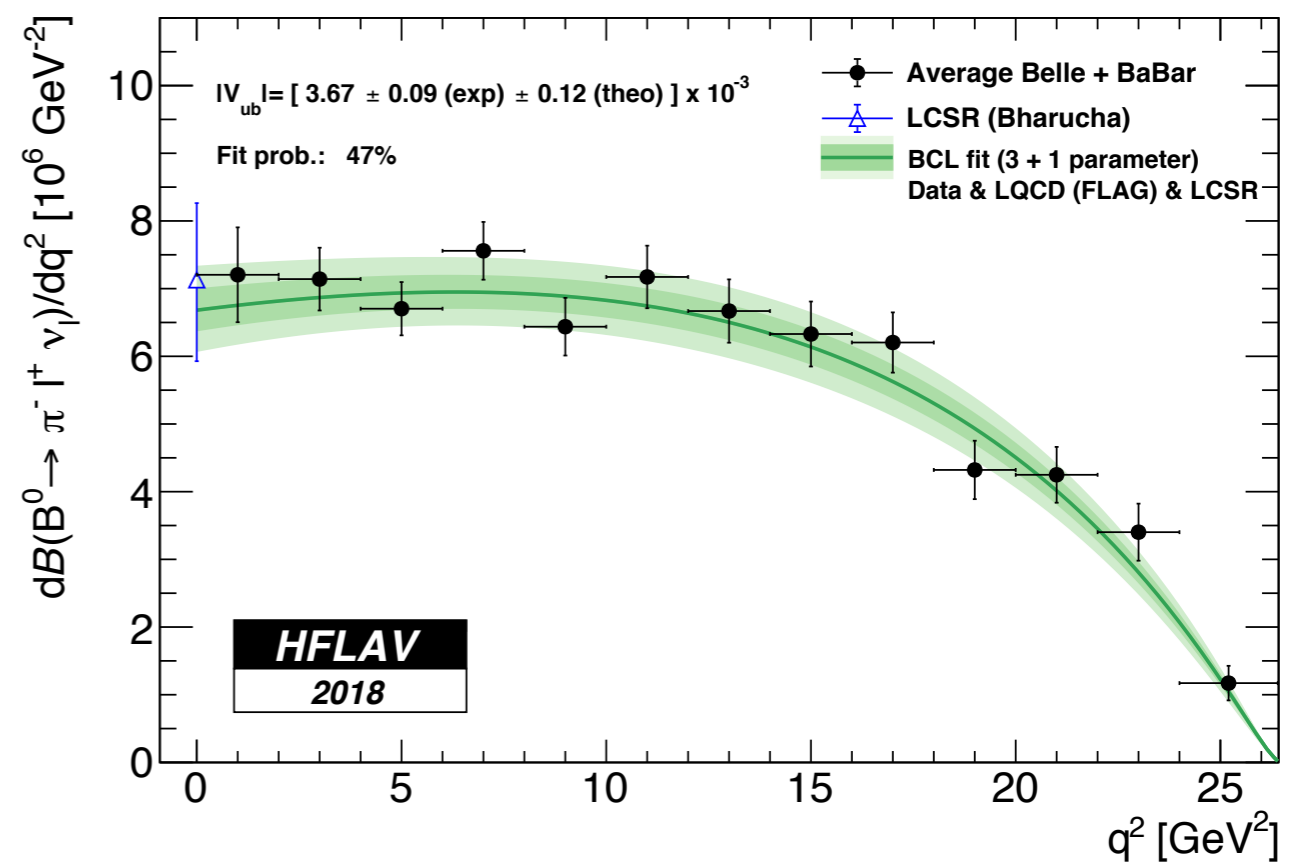
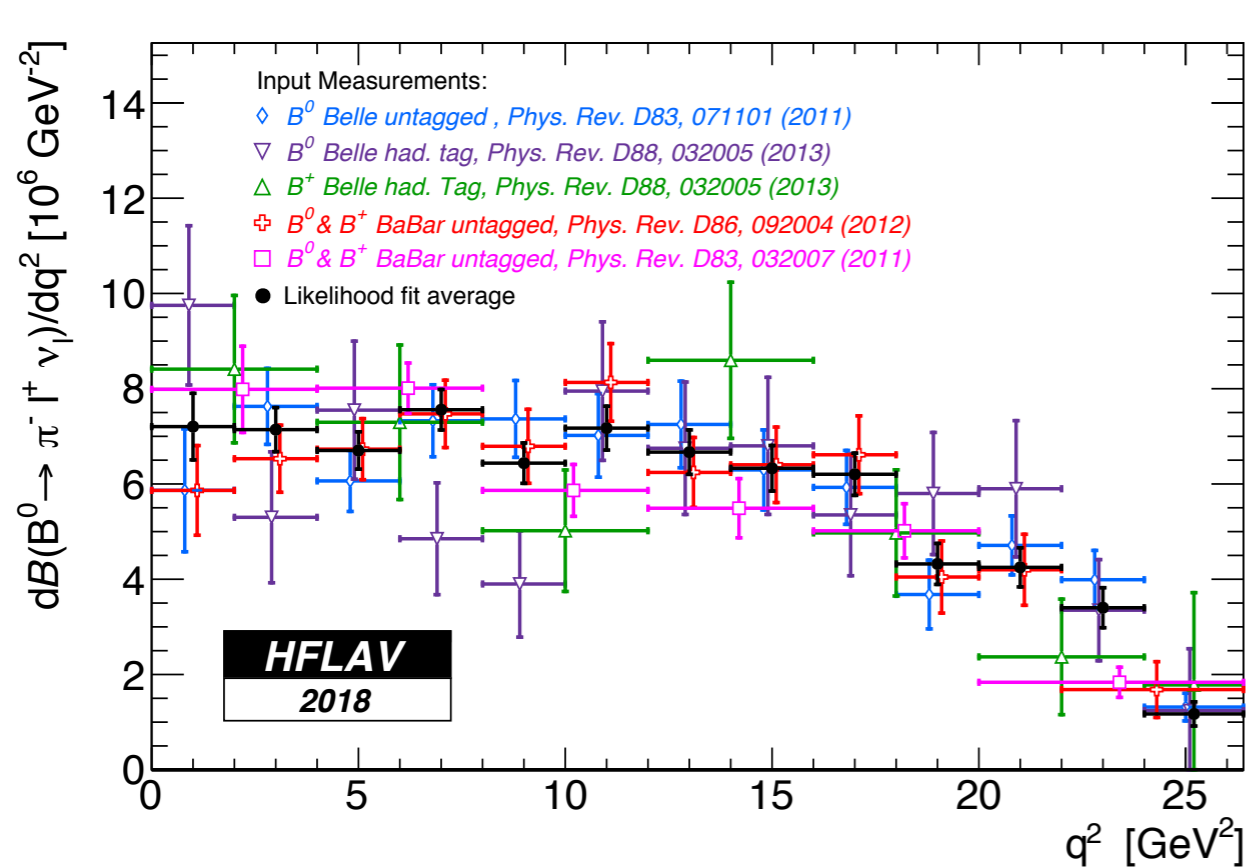
## What about the DM results applied to other FFs?

Lattice FFs	$R(D^*)$	$P_\tau(D^*)$	$F_{L,\tau}$	$F_{L,\ell}$	$A_{FB,\ell}$
FNAL/MILC [14]	0.275(8)	-0.529(7)	0.418(9)	0.450(19)	0.261(14)
HPQCD [15]	0.276(8)	-0.558(13)	0.448(16)	0.426(30)	0.272(21)
JLQCD [16]	0.248(8)	-0.508(11)	0.398(16)	0.561(29)	0.220(21)
Average [14]-[16] (PDG scale factor)	0.266(9) (2.0)	-0.529(11) (2.1)	0.420(11) (1.6)	0.471(36) (2.6)	0.254(14) (1.3)
Combined [14]-[16]	0.262(5)	-0.525(5)	0.436(8)	0.468(14)	0.253(10)
Experimental value	0.284(12) [32]	$-0.38 \pm 0.51^{+0.21}_{-0.16}$ [37]	0.49(8) [34, 35]	0.523(8) [13, 36]	0.231(17) [13, 36]

We have an analogous pattern: either we reproduce  $R(D^*)$  but observe a tension with new  $F_L^\ell$  and  $A_{FB}^\ell$  data (HPQCD) or viceversa (JLQCD)!



# EXCLUSIVE $V_{ub}$ $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$



**HFLAV**

$$|V_{ub}| = (3.70 \pm 0.10 (\text{exp}) \pm 0.12 (\text{theo})) \times 10^{-3} \quad (\text{data} + \text{LQCD}),$$

$$|V_{ub}| = (3.67 \pm 0.09 (\text{exp}) \pm 0.12 (\text{theo})) \times 10^{-3} \quad (\text{data} + \text{LQCD} + \text{LCSR}),$$

- **New LCSR results** (1811.00983) have been included for the first time in global fits to lattice and experimental data on  $B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$  in 2103.01809 and 2102.07233, leading to  $|V_{ub}| = 3.77(15)10^{-3}$  and  $|V_{ub}| = 3.88(13)10^{-3}$ . The latter removes outliers and is within  $1\sigma$  from most recent inclusive results.
- HFLAV adopts a 2stage procedure, first making averages at different  $q^2$  (low  $p$ ) and fitting to extract  $V_{ub}$

# $B \rightarrow \pi$ form factors

recent JLQCD FF calculation 2203.04938

$$|V_{ub}| = 3.93(41) 10^{-3}$$

Small impact on  $|V_{ub}|$  after including experimental data (information at small  $q^2$  / large  $z$ )

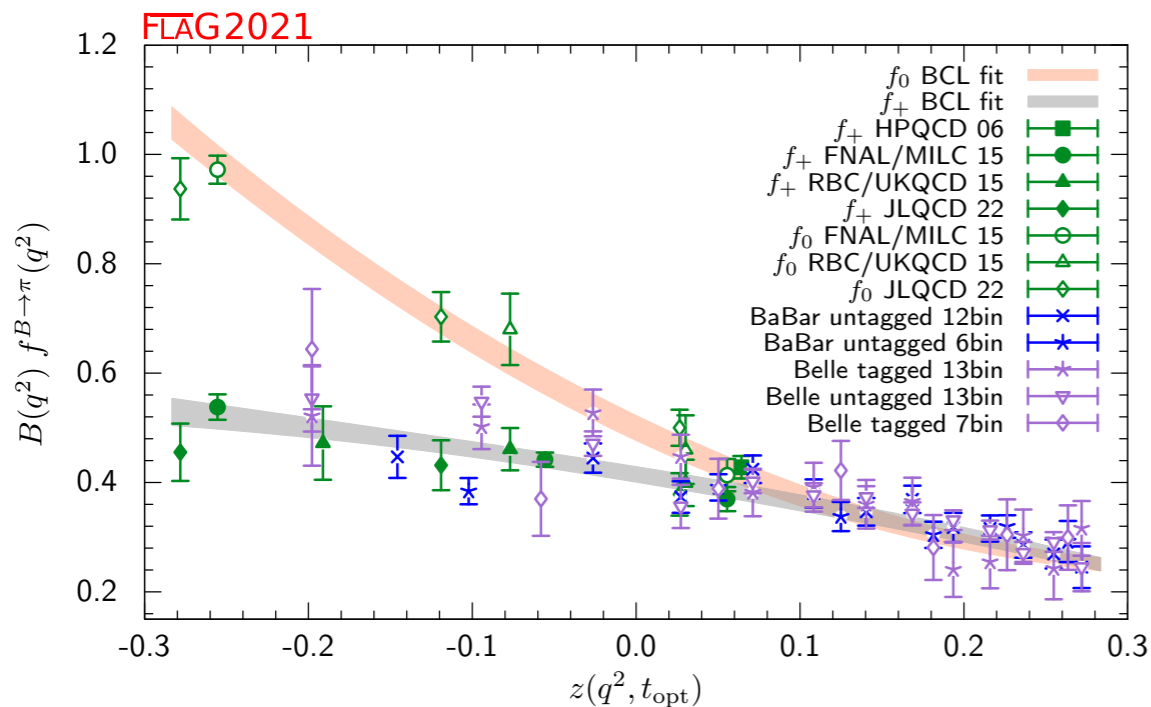
## FLAG5 Web update

[http://flag.unibe.ch/2021/Media?action=AttachFile&do=get&target=FLAG\\_2023\\_webupdate.pdf](http://flag.unibe.ch/2021/Media?action=AttachFile&do=get&target=FLAG_2023_webupdate.pdf)

$B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$  ( $N_f = 2 + 1$ )

	Central values	Correlation Matrix						
$ V_{ub}  \times 10^3$	3.64 (16)	1	-0.812	-0.107	0.127	-0.325	-0.151	
$a_0^+$	0.425 (19)	-0.812	1	-0.189	-0.308	0.409	0.00937	
$a_1^+$	-0.443 (39)	-0.107	-0.189	1	-0.499	-0.0345	0.150	
$a_2^+$	-0.51 (13)	0.127	-0.308	-0.499	1	-0.189	0.128	
$a_0^0$	0.560 (17)	-0.325	0.409	-0.0345	-0.189	1	-0.772	
$a_1^0$	-1.346 (53)	-0.151	0.00937	0.150	0.128	-0.772	1	

$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 116.6/62$ : error rescaled by  $\sqrt{\chi^2/\text{dof}} = 1.37$

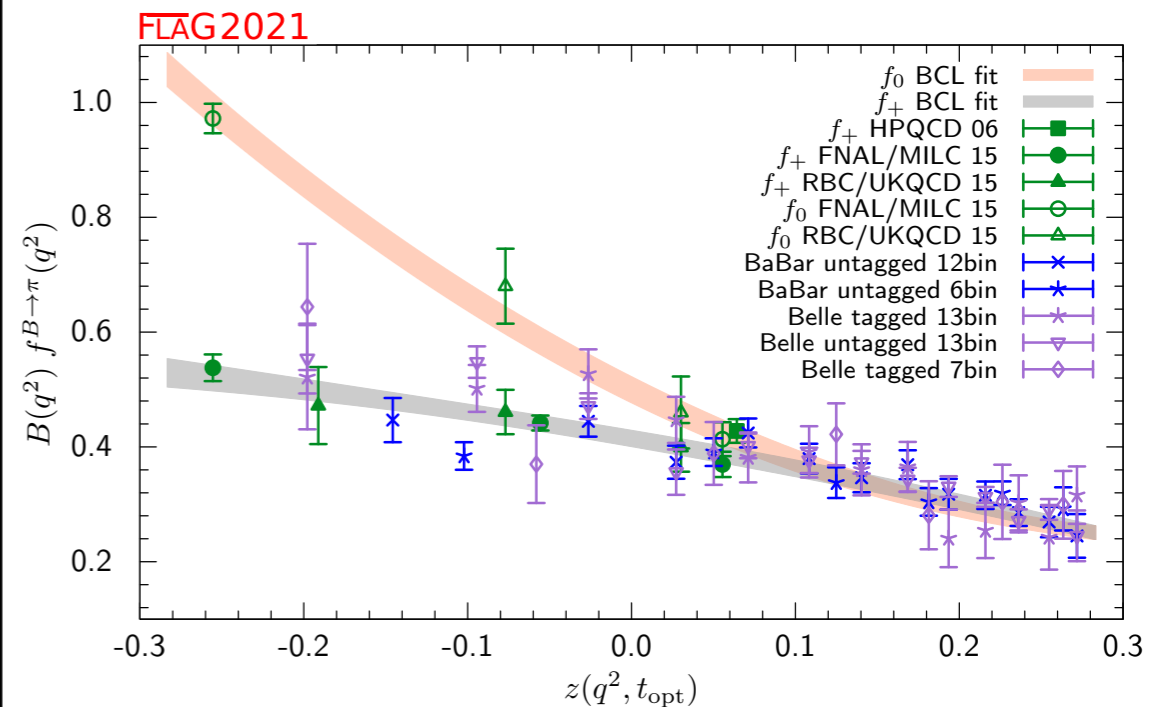


## FLAG5 (2111.09849)

$B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$  ( $N_f = 2 + 1$ )

	Central Values	Correlation Matrix						
$ V_{ub}  \times 10^3$	3.74 (17)	1	-0.851	-0.349	0.375	-0.211	-0.246	
$a_0^+$	0.415 (14)	-0.851	1	0.155	-0.454	0.260	0.144	
$a_1^+$	-0.488 (53)	-0.349	0.155	1	-0.802	-0.0962	0.220	
$a_2^+$	-0.31 (18)	0.375	-0.454	-0.802	1	0.0131	-0.100	
$a_0^0$	0.500 (23)	-0.211	0.260	-0.0962	0.0131	1	-0.453	
$a_1^0$	-1.424 (54)	-0.246	0.144	0.220	-0.100	-0.453	1	

$\chi^2/\text{dof} = 78.7/56 = 1.41$ : error rescale by  $\sqrt{\chi^2/\text{dof}} = 1.19$



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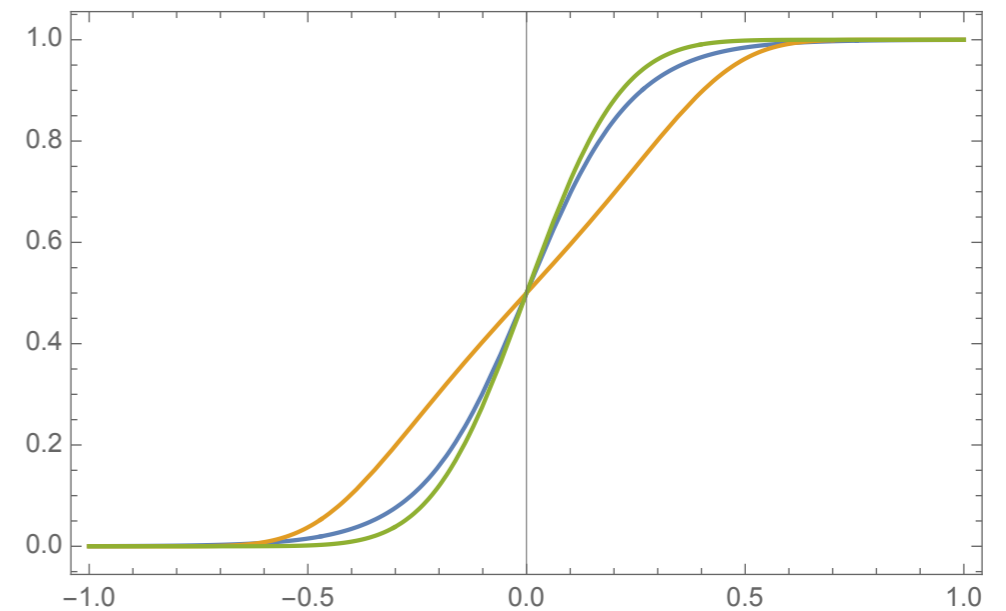
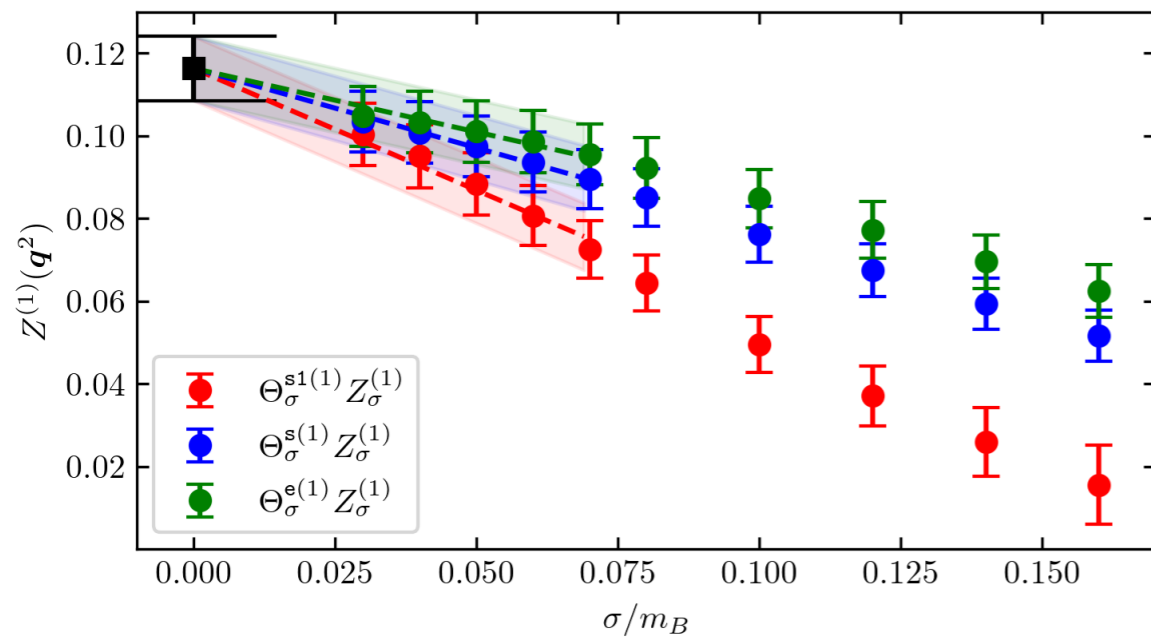
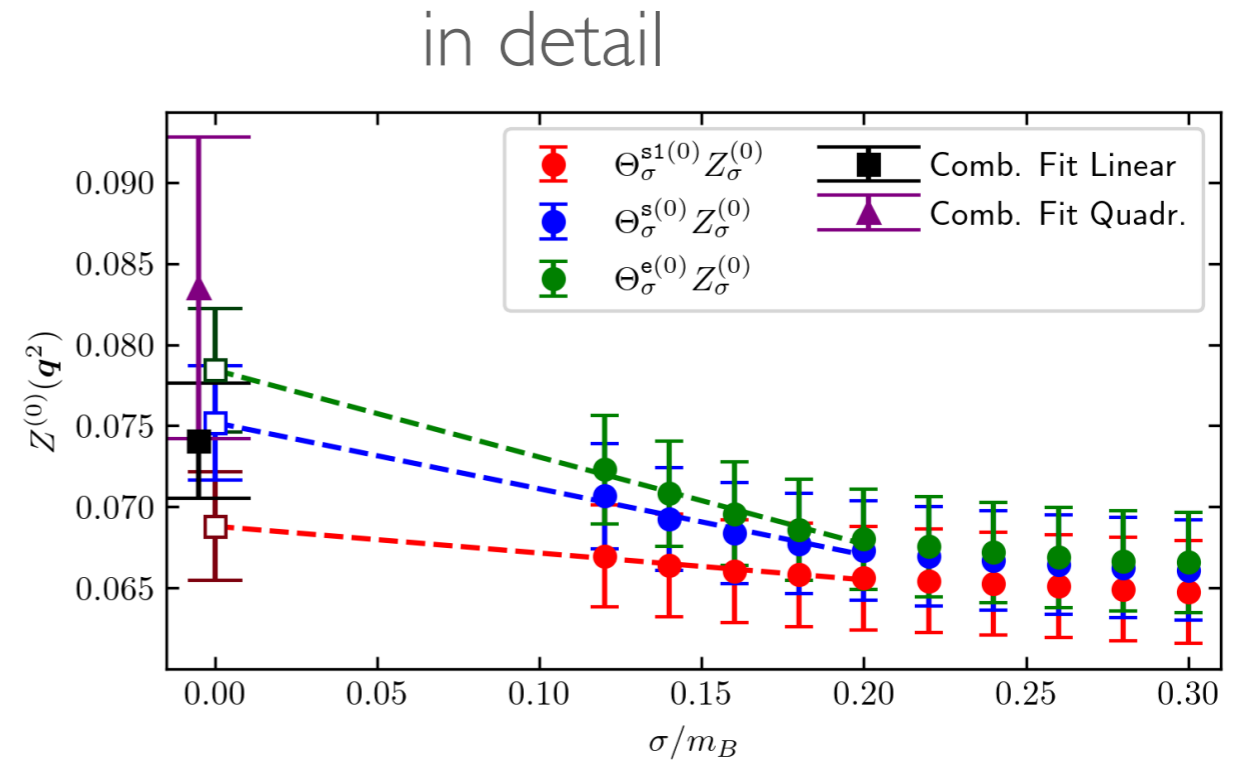
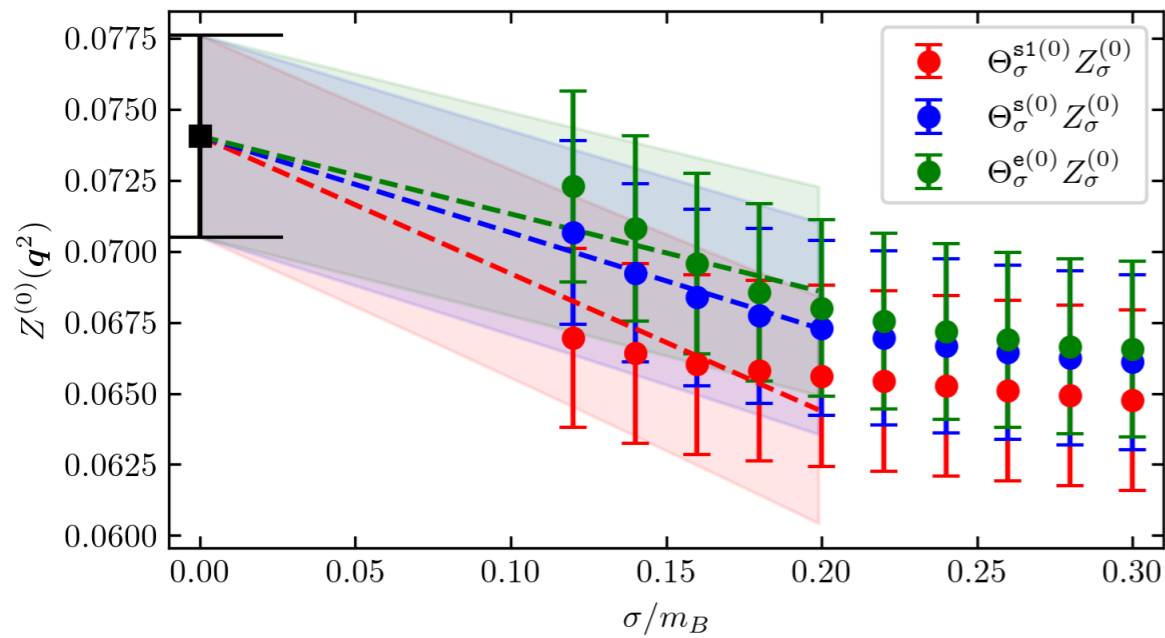
# SUMMARY AND OUTLOOK

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- *Inclusive  $b \rightarrow c$  seems OK:  $q^2$  moments consistent with leptonic and hadronic ones, perturbation theory generally OK; higher powers appear small. But don't dream of going below 1%...*
  - *Calculations of inclusive semileptonic meson decays on the lattice have started. Precision to be seen, but you can count they will, at some point, contribute.*
  - *Inclusive  $V_{ub}$  converging towards exclusive  $V_{ub}$  and waiting for more data*
  - *Exclusive  $V_{cb}$ : parametrisations and related uncertainties require great care. Uncertainties were underestimated. Consensus that BGL is the most appropriate framework for fits. Ongoing discussions on how exactly use it.*
  - *Lattice  $B \rightarrow D^*$  form factors: situation still unclear, 2 calculations in tension with exp and HQE. Don't underestimate their difficulty.*
  - *Many new ideas on how to improve the exp analyses and reduce/control errors: I bet some cloud will soon disappear.*
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ETMC at  $|\mathbf{q}| = 0.5\text{GeV}$

Using different approx to the kernel  
 improves the  $\sigma \rightarrow 0$  extrapolation  
 Interplay with continuum and infinite volume limits

# D'AGOSTINI BIAS

Standard  $\chi^2$  fits  
sometimes lead  
to paradoxical results

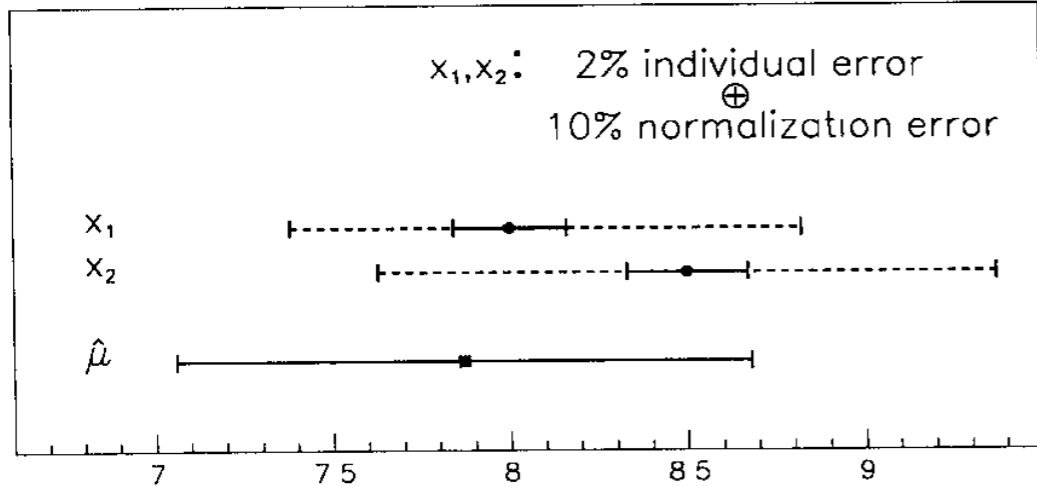


Fig. 1. Best estimate of the true value from two correlated data points, using in the  $\chi^2$  the empirical covariance matrix of the measurements. The error bars show individual and total errors.

$$\hat{k} = \frac{x_1\sigma_2^2 + x_2\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + (x_1 - x_2)^2\sigma_f^2},$$

Many exp systematics are highly correlated. Bias is stronger with more bins

On the use of the covariance matrix to fit correlated data

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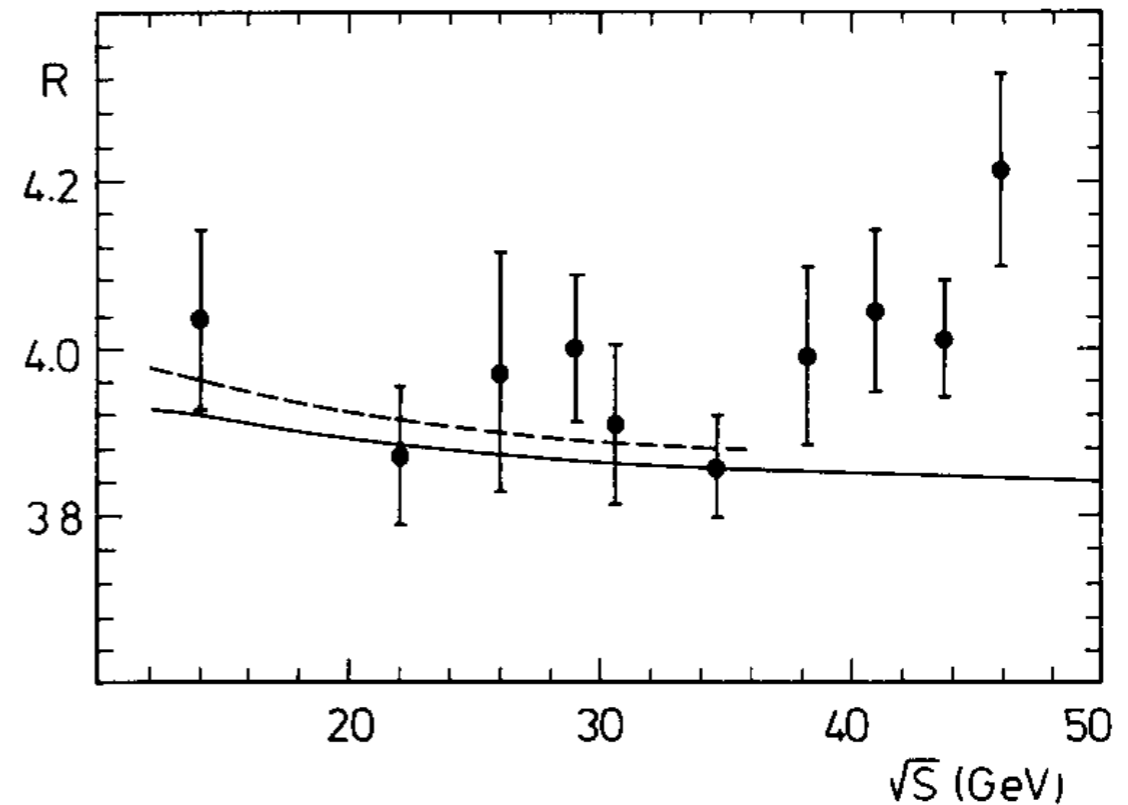


Fig. 2. R measurements from PETRA and PEP experiments with the best fits of QED + QCD to all the data (full line) and only below 36 GeV (dashed line). All data points are correlated (see text).

# RESULTS BY BABAR AND LHCb

1903.10002, 2001.03225

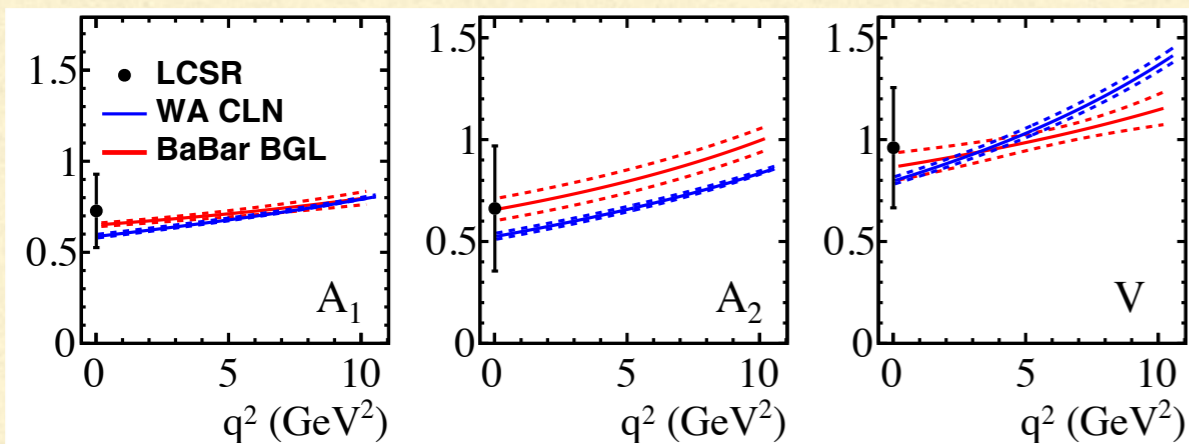
Reanalysis of tagged  $B^0$  and  $B^+$  data, unbinned 4 dimensional fit with simplified BGL and CLN  
About 6000 events  
No data provided yet



Measurement of  $|V_{cb}|$  with  $B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^{(*)-} \mu^+ \nu_\mu$  decays

$$\mathcal{R} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu)},$$

$$\mathcal{R}^* \equiv \frac{\mathcal{B}(B_s^0 \rightarrow D_s^{*-} \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}{\mathcal{B}(B^0 \rightarrow D^{*-} \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}$$



No clear BGL<sup>(111)</sup>/CLN difference but disagreement with HFLAV CLN ffs

$$V_{cb} = 0.0384(9)$$

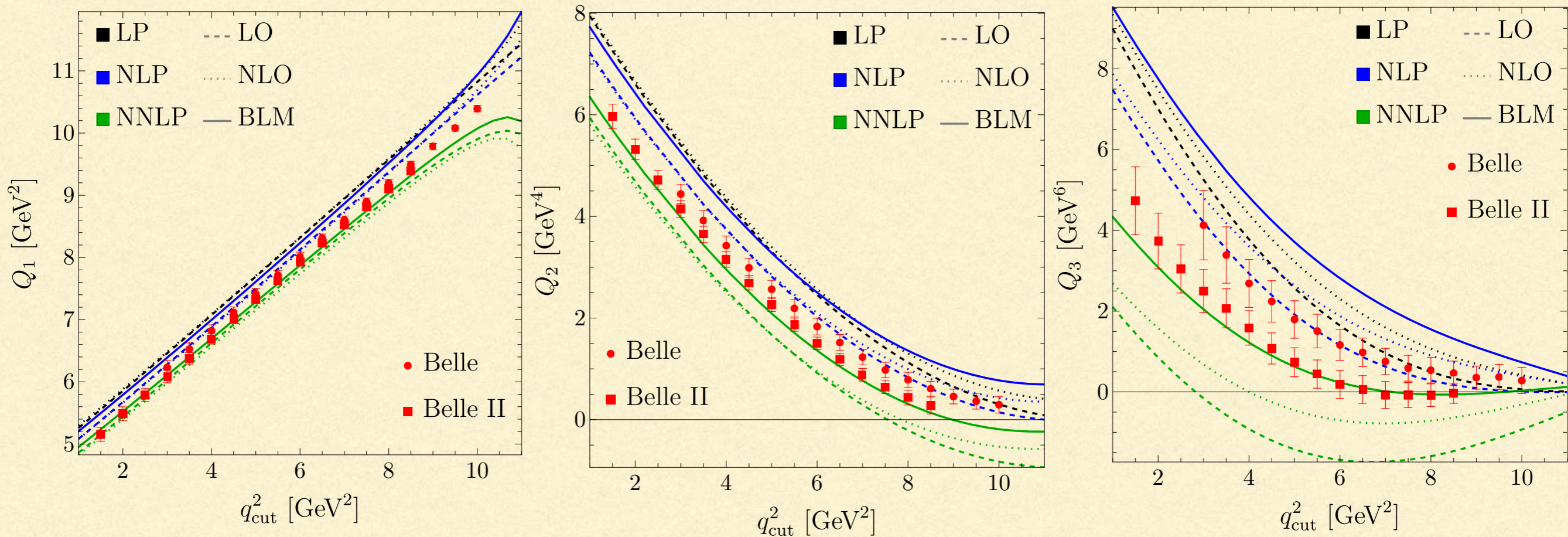
$$V_{cb} = 0.0414(16) \quad \text{CLN}$$

$$V_{cb} = 0.0423(17) \quad \text{BGL}^{(222)}$$

Fit to exp data and lattice FFs based on HFLAV BRs, employs BGL<sup>(222)</sup>

# $O(\alpha_s^2 \beta_0)$ CORRECTIONS TO $q^2$ MOMENTS

Finauri, PG 2310.20324

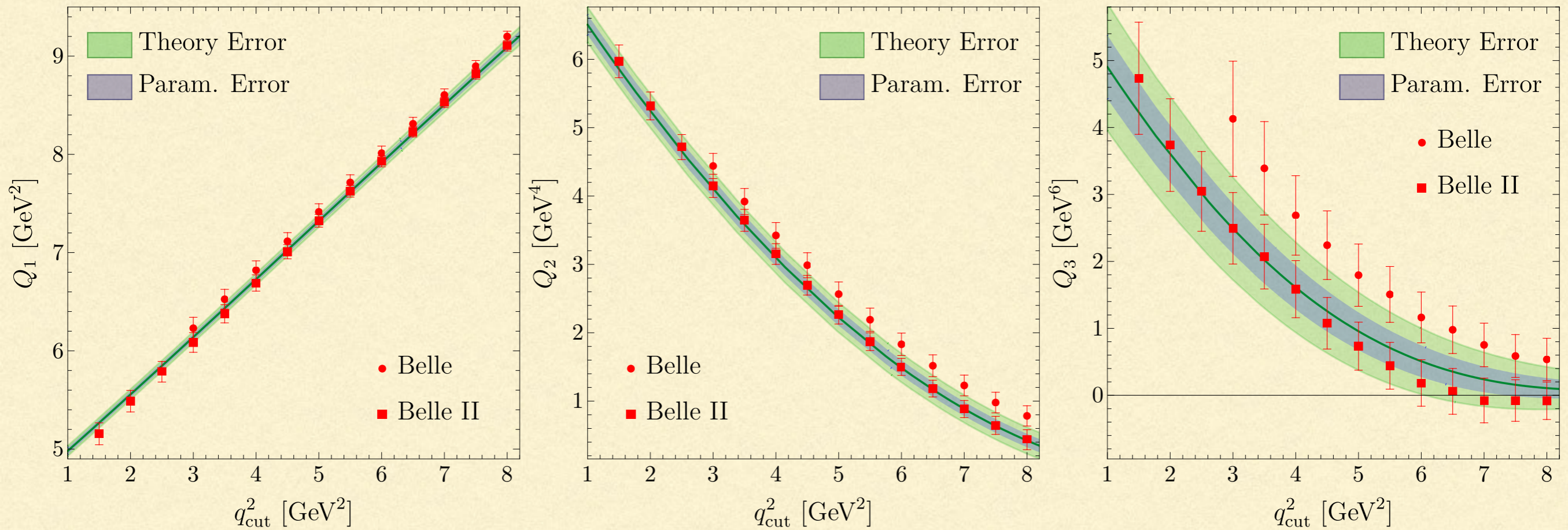


sizeable for 2nd and 3rd moments  
Belle and Belle II moments differ by  $\sim 2\sigma$

New  $O(\alpha_s^2)$  calculation Fael and Herren 2403.03976



# MINOR TENSIONS IN HIGHER $q^2$ MOMENTS



# HIGHER POWER CORRECTIONS

Proliferation of non-pert parameters starting  $1/m^4$ : 9 at dim 7, 18 at dim 8

In principle relevant: HQE contains  $O(1/m_b^n 1/m_c^k)$

Mannel, Turczyk, Uraltsev  
1009.4622

**Lowest Lying State Saturation  
Approx (LLSA)** truncating

$$\langle B|O_1 O_2|B\rangle = \sum_n \langle B|O_1|n\rangle \langle n|O_2|B\rangle$$

see also Heinonen, Mannel 1407.4384

and relating higher dimensional to lower dimensional matrix elements, e.g.

$$\rho_D^3 = \epsilon \mu_\pi^2 \quad \rho_{LS}^3 = -\epsilon \mu_G^2 \quad \epsilon \sim 0.4 \text{ GeV}$$

$\epsilon$  excitation energy to P-wave states. LLSA might set the scale of effect, but large corrections to LLSA have been found in some cases 1206.2296

We use LLSA as loose constraint or priors (60% gaussian uncertainty, dimensional estimate for vanishing matrix elements) in a fit including higher powers.

still without  
 $q^2$  moments!

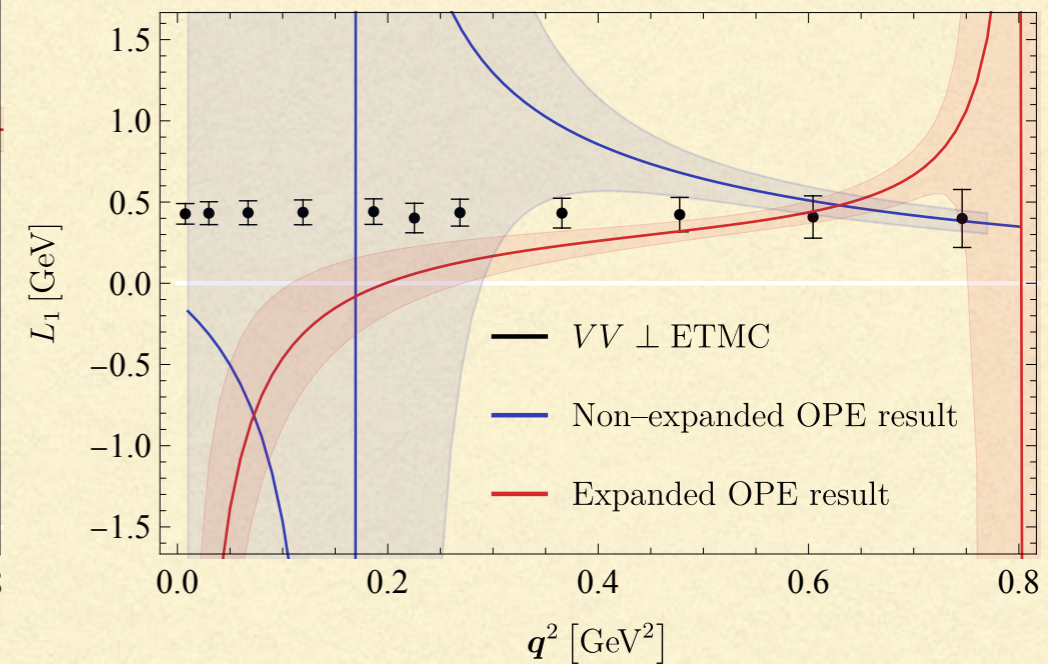
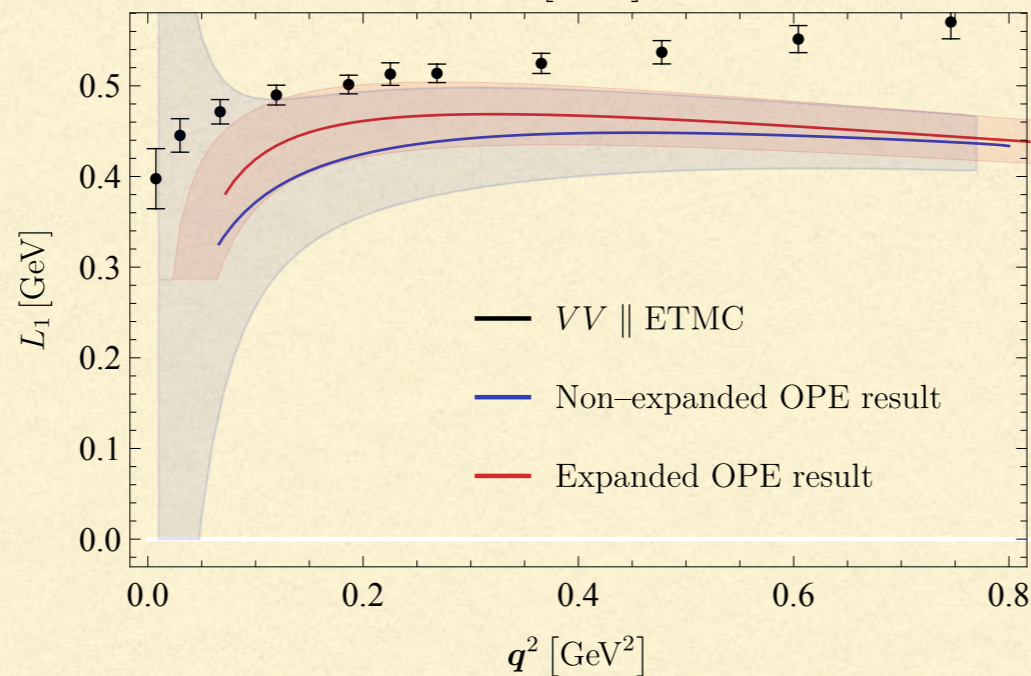
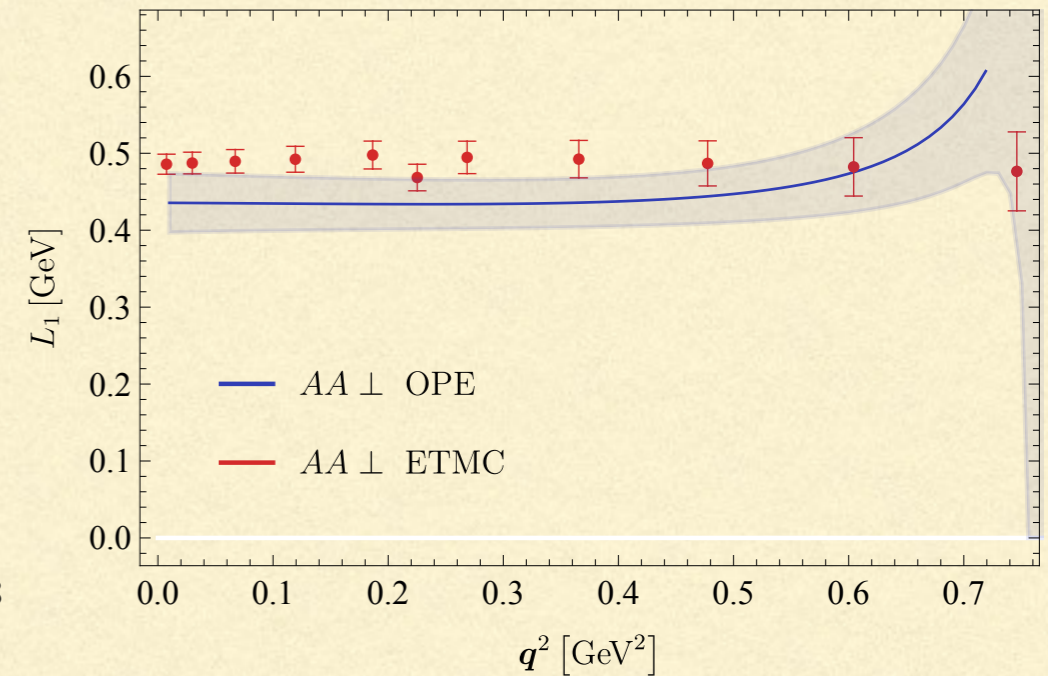
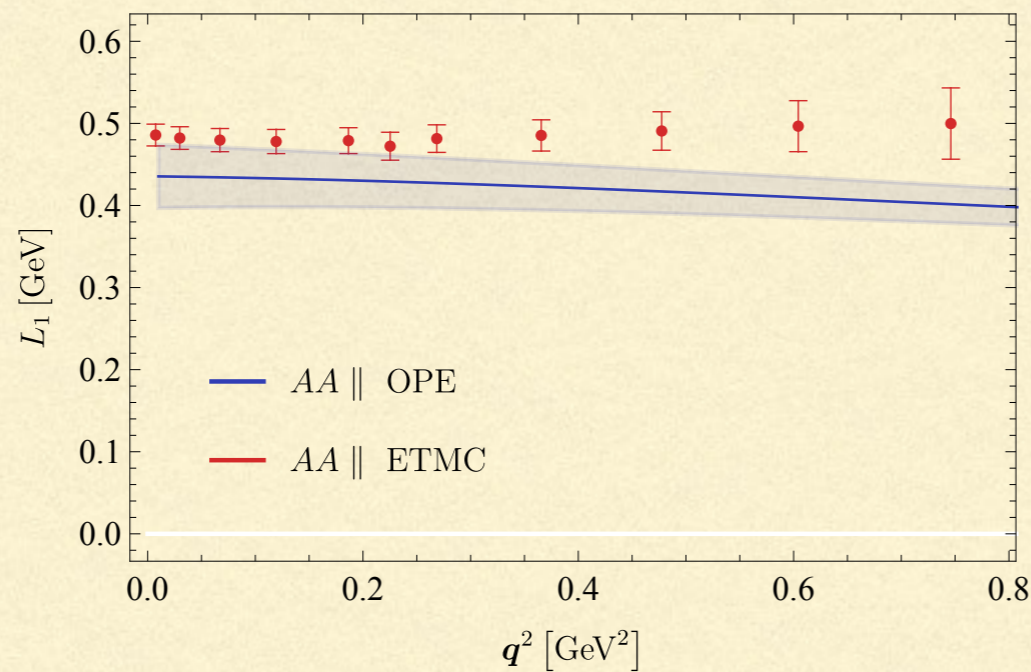
$$|V_{cb}| = 42.00(53) \times 10^{-3}$$

Bordone, Capdevila, PG, 2107.00604  
**Update of 1606.06174**

# MOMENTS

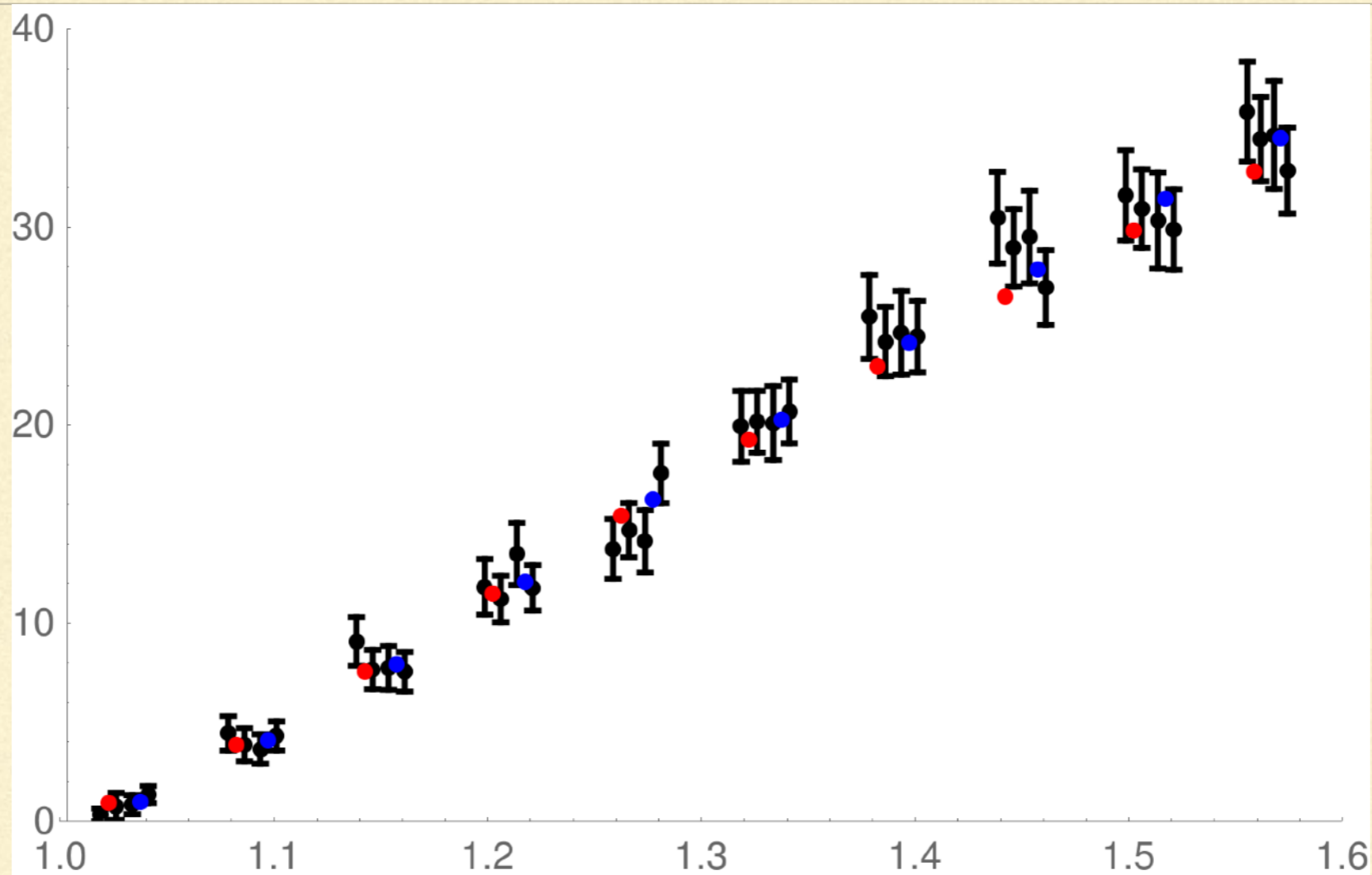
PG, Hashimoto, Maechler, Panero, Sanfilippo, Simula, Smecca, Tantalo, 2203.11762

$$L_1 = \langle E_\ell(\mathbf{q}^2) \rangle$$



smaller errors, cleaner comparison with OPE, individual channels AA, VV, parallel and perpendicular polarization, could help extracting its parameters

# $w$ DISTRIBUTION for $B \rightarrow D\ell\nu$



Belle 2015 consider 4 channels ( $B^{0,+}, e, \mu$ ) for each bin.

Average (red points) usually lower than all central values. ***D'Agostini bias?***

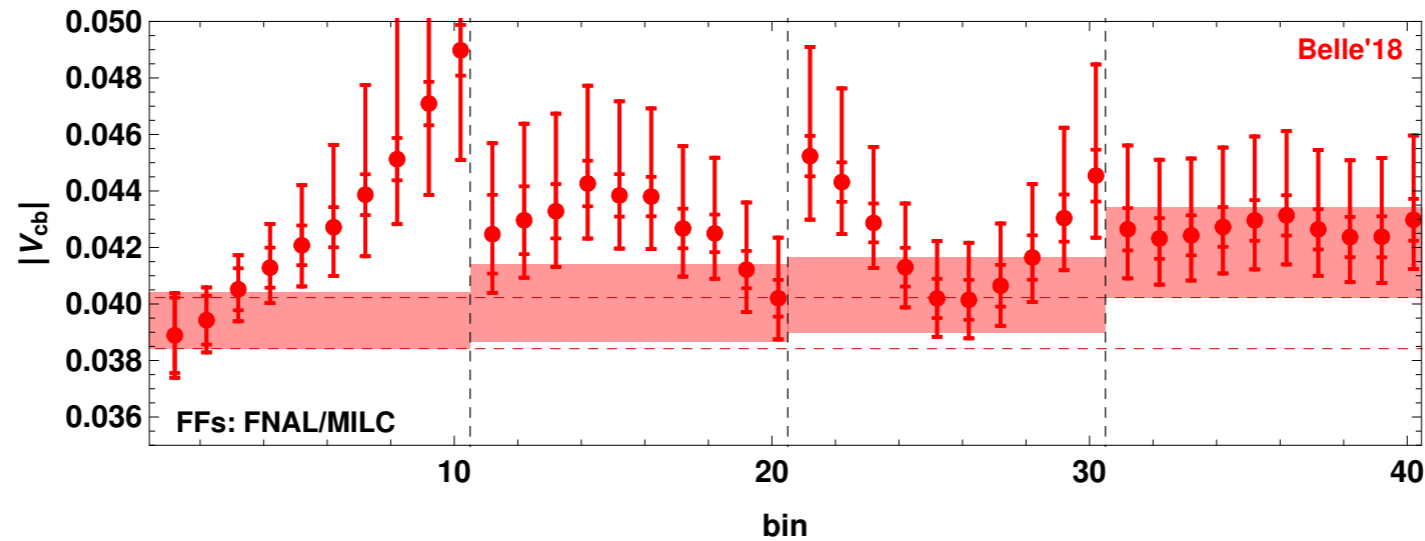
Blue points are average of normalised bins.

**Standard fit** to Belle I5+FNAL+HPQCD:  $|V_{cb}| = 40.9(1.2) 10^{-3}$  Jung, PG

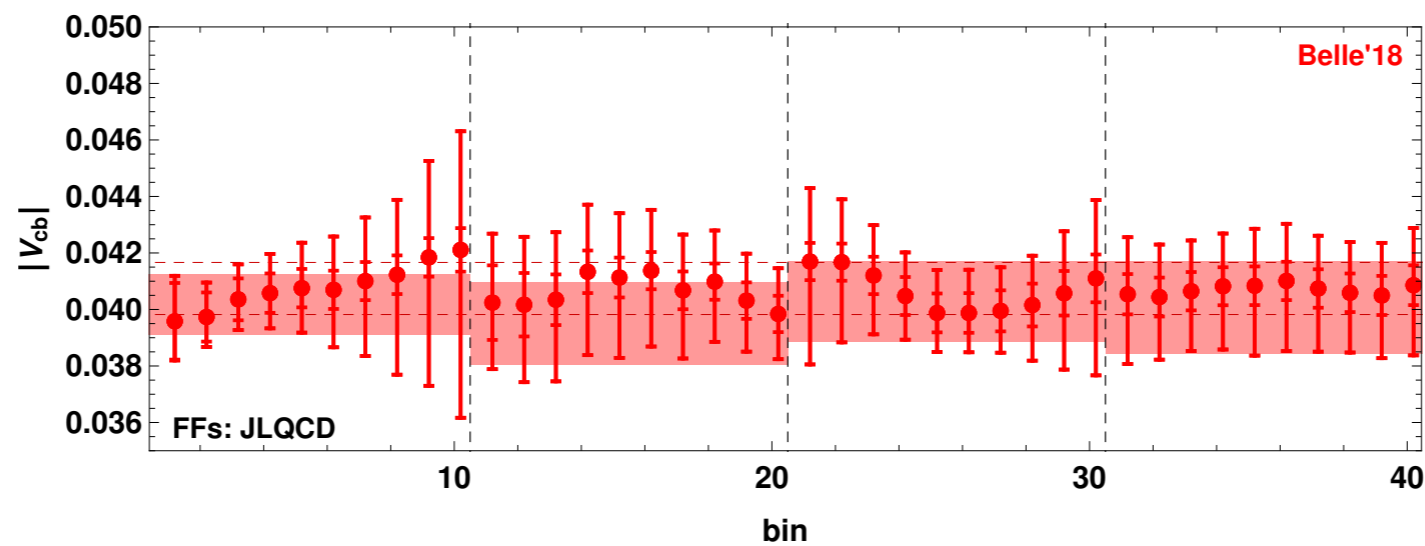
**Fit to normalised bins+width** Belle I5+FNAL+HPQCD:  $|V_{cb}| = 41.9(1.2) 10^{-3}$

# Binned $V_{cb}$ from Belle'18 data: FNAL/MILC vs JLQCD

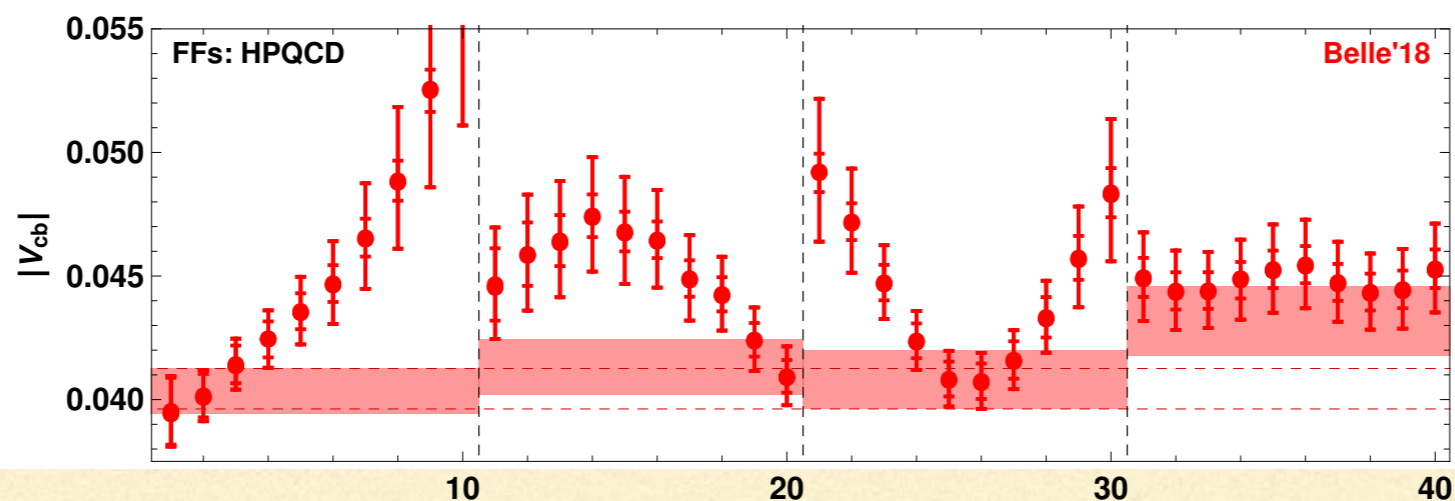
FNAL/MILC



JLQCD



HPQCD



Binned analysis proposed by Martinelli, Simula, Vittorio in DM approach  
2105.08674  
2109.15248

Extracting  $V_{cb}$  from each bin, FFs only determined by lattice QCD

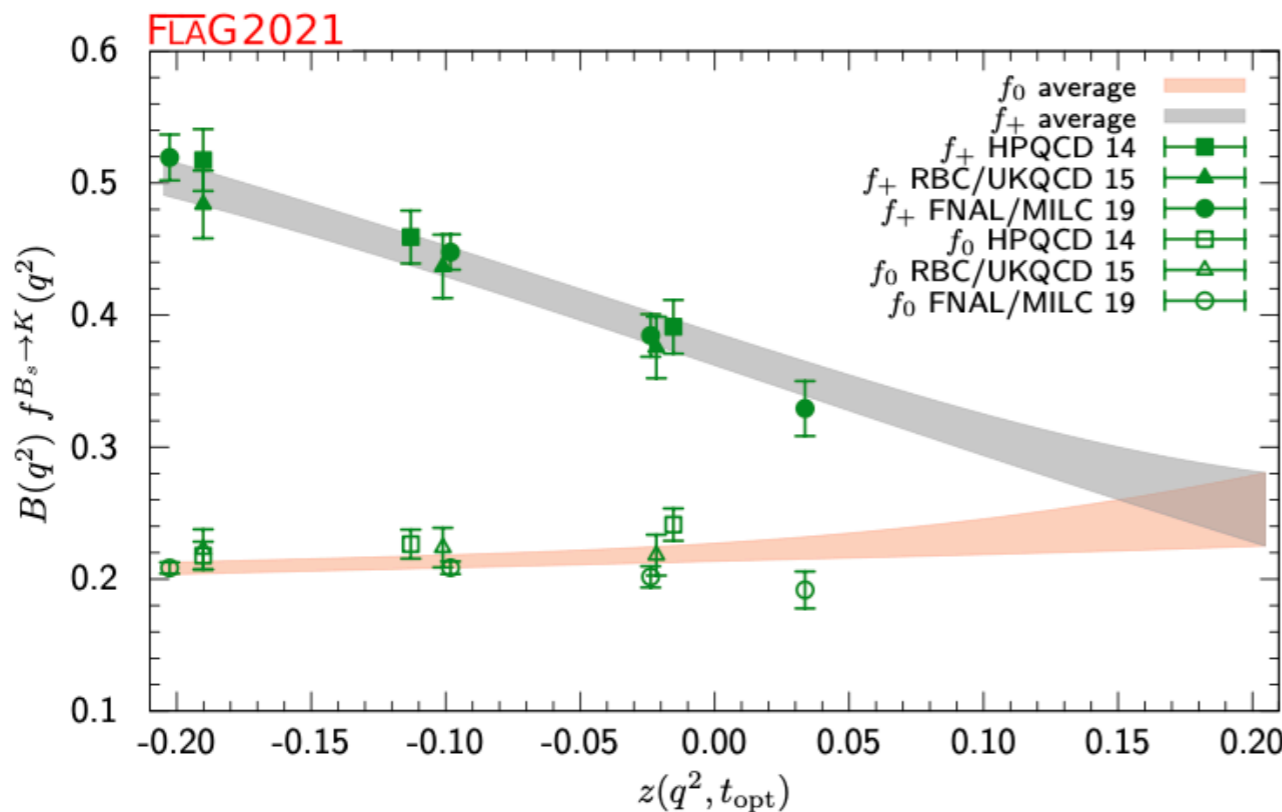
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# $B_s \rightarrow K$ form factors and $|V_{ub}/V_{cb}|$

- FLAG5 combined form factors:



[LHCb 2012.05143]

$$\frac{1}{|V_{ub}|^2} \int_{q_{\min}^2=m_\mu^2}^{7 \text{ GeV}^2} \frac{d\Gamma(B_s \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}{dq^2} = (2.26 \pm 0.38) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$

$$\frac{1}{|V_{ub}|^2} \int_{7 \text{ GeV}^2}^{q_{\max}^2=(m_{B_s}-m_K)^2} \frac{d\Gamma(B_s \rightarrow K^- \mu^+ \nu_\mu)}{dq^2} = (4.02 \pm 0.31) \text{ ps}^{-1}$$



$$\frac{|V_{ub}|}{|V_{cb}|}(\text{low}) = 0.0819 \pm 0.0072_{\text{lat.}} \pm 0.0029_{\text{exp}}$$

$$\frac{|V_{ub}|}{|V_{cb}|}(\text{high}) = 0.0860 \pm 0.0037_{\text{lat.}} \pm 0.0038_{\text{exp}}$$

$$\frac{|V_{ub}|}{|V_{cb}|}(\text{low}) = 0.061(4) \quad \text{using LCSR}$$

Khodjamirian, Rusov

Note: RBC/UKQCD provides synthetic data points, HPQCD and FNAL/MILC only z-fit results

$$\frac{|V_{ub}|}{|V_{cb}|} = 0.079(4)(4) \quad (\Lambda_b \rightarrow p\mu\nu) \quad \text{LHCb + Meinel et al}$$

*My average of inclusive*  $\frac{|V_{ub}|}{|V_{cb}|} = 0.094(6)$  *and exclusive*  $\frac{|V_{ub}|}{|V_{cb}|} = 0.094(4)$