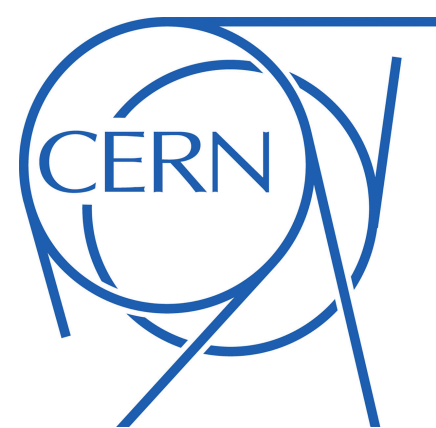


Precision flavour physics from the lattice

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Flavour physics

Flavour physics offers opportunities to test the Standard Model and probe new physics effects

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

in the Standard Model:

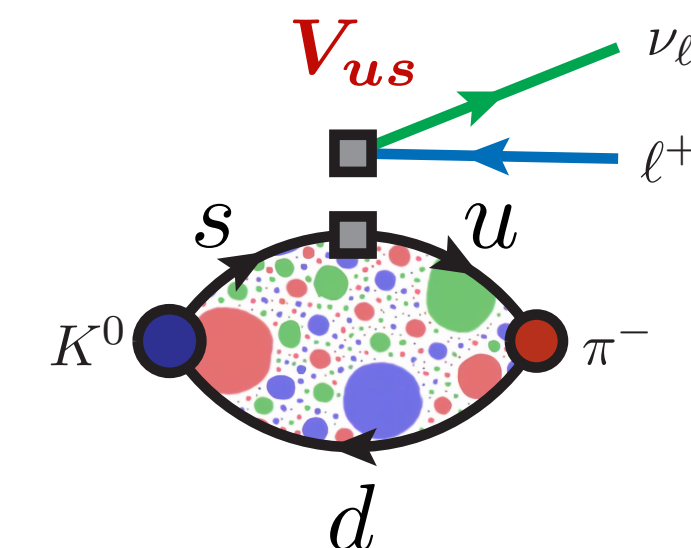
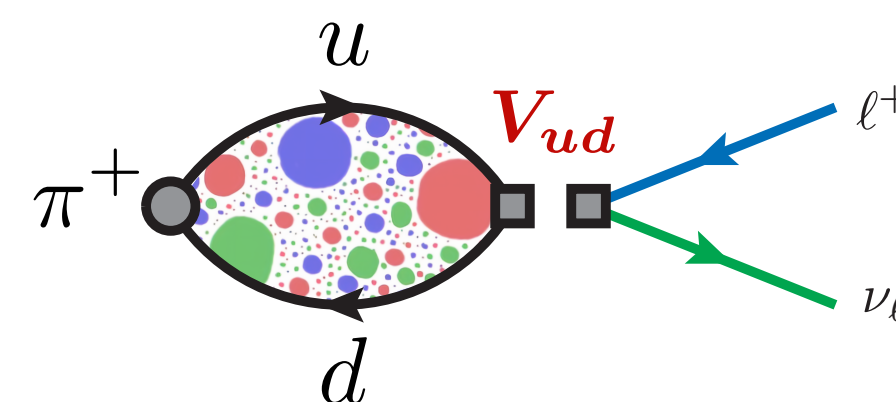
3 mixing angles + 1 CPV phase

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

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

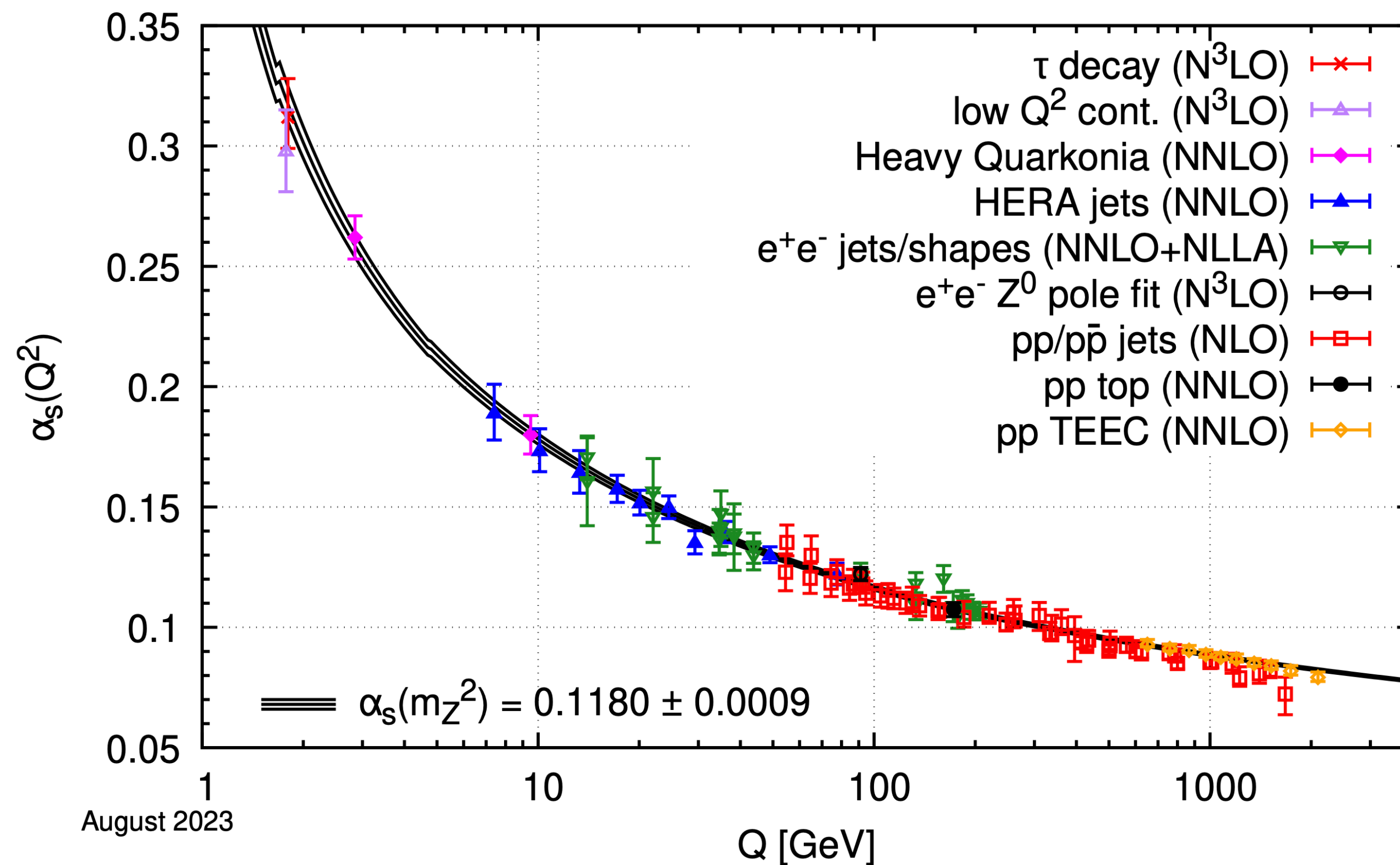
$$\underbrace{\frac{\Gamma[K \rightarrow l\nu_l(\gamma)]}{\Gamma[\pi \rightarrow l\nu_l(\gamma)]}}_{\text{experiments}} \propto \underbrace{\left| \frac{V_{us}}{V_{ud}} \right|^2}_{\text{QCD}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{f_K}{f_\pi} \right)^2}_{\text{QCD}}$$

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



The strong coupling constant

see A.Ramos talk



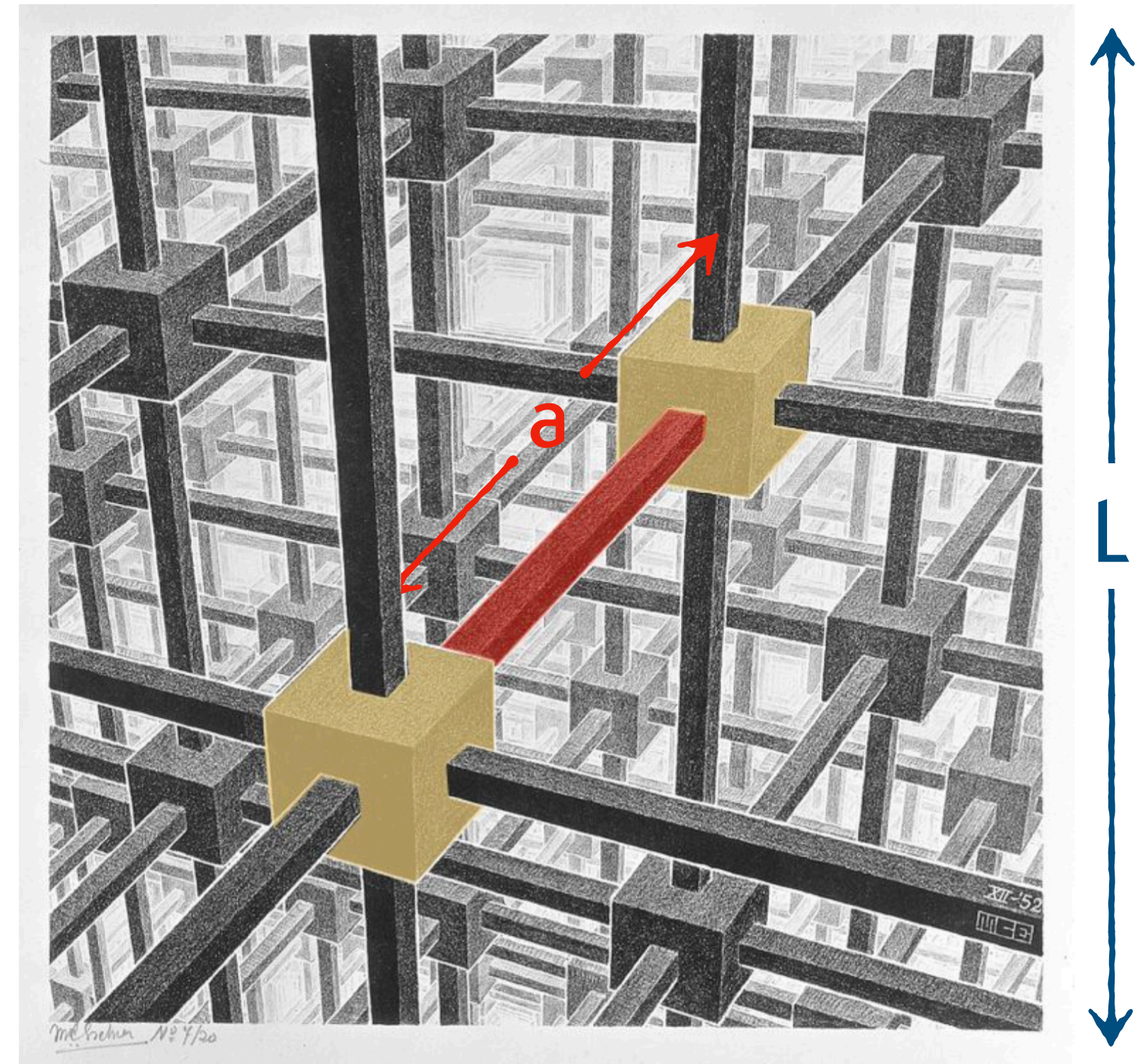
- The strong coupling constant $\alpha_s(Q^2)$ runs with the energy Q
- At high energies $Q \sim m_Z$ the coupling is small:
 - ▶ perturbative expansion
 - ▶ quarks are asymptotically free
- At small energies $Q \sim \Lambda_{QCD}$ the coupling is strong:
 - ▶ non-perturbative
 - ▶ quarks are confined

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Lattice QCD

Key points

- A regularisation of QCD:
 - › the lattice spacing a is the UV cutoff
- Finite-sized Euclidean spacetime
 - › rigorous and computable definition of path integrals using Monte Carlo methods
- Allows for first-principle numerical calculations
 - › physical results obtained by taking continuum and infinite-volume limits



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

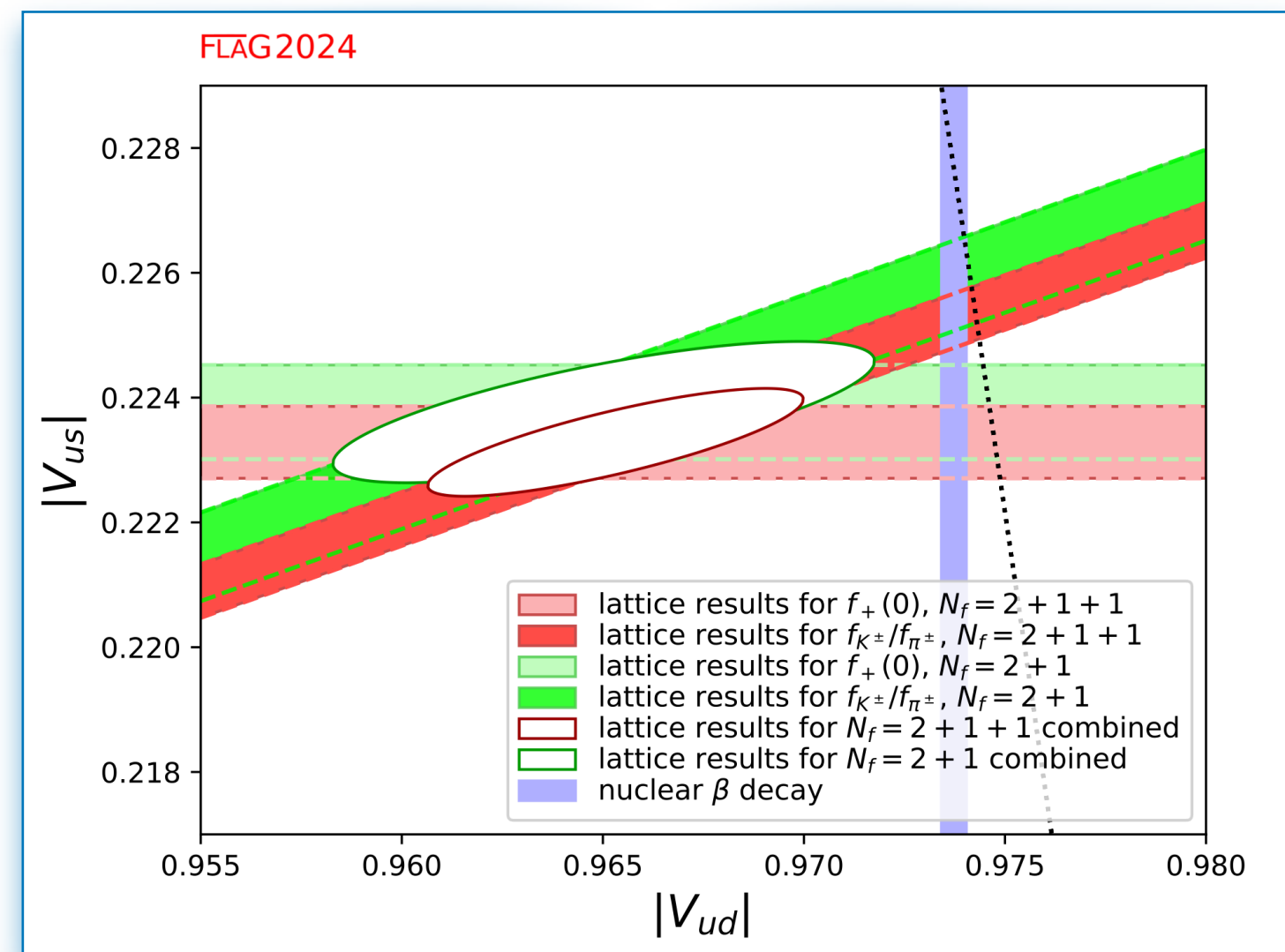
Precise predictions \leftrightarrow good control of statistical & systematic uncertainties

Flavour physics on the lattice

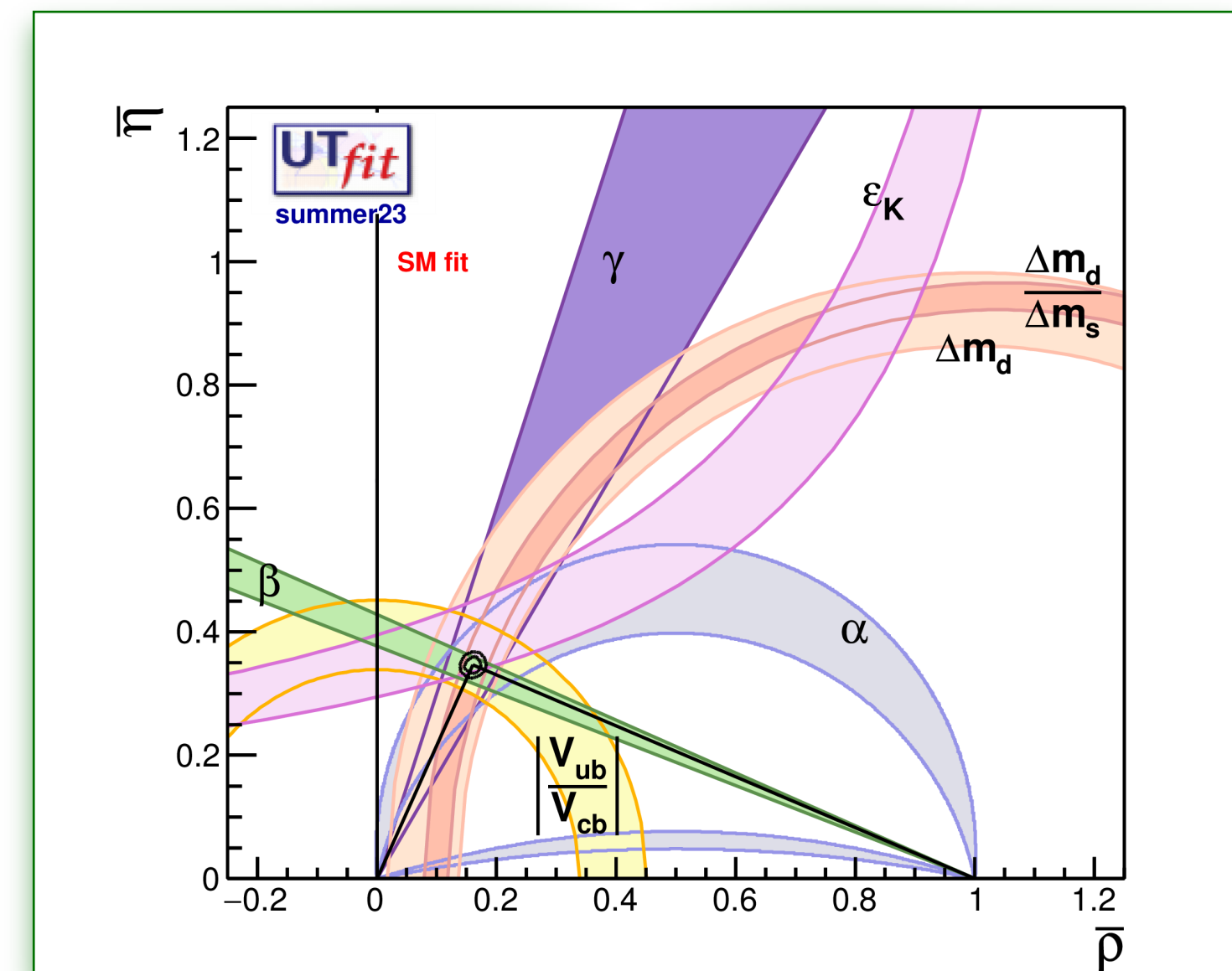
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CPV in neutral mesons



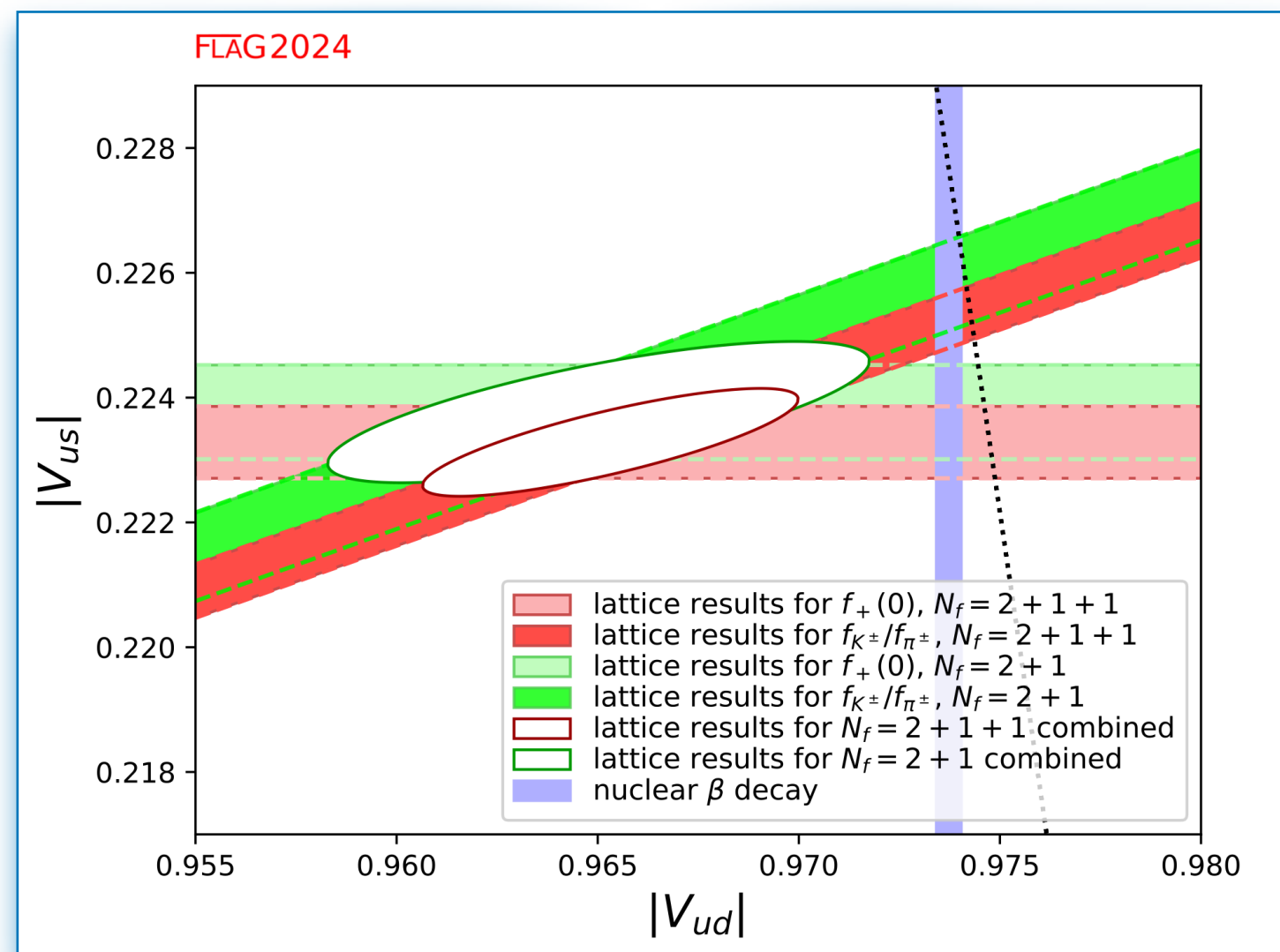
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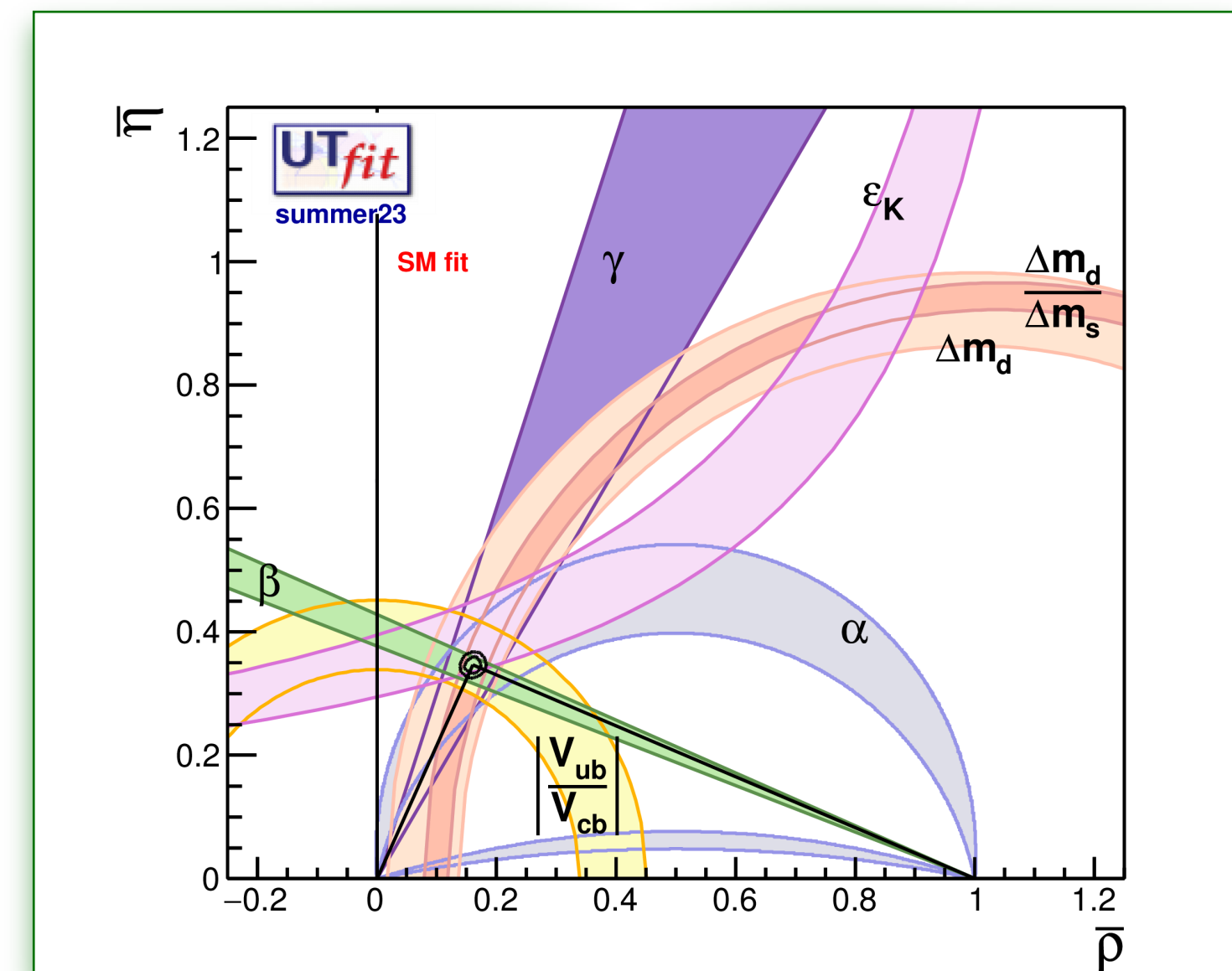
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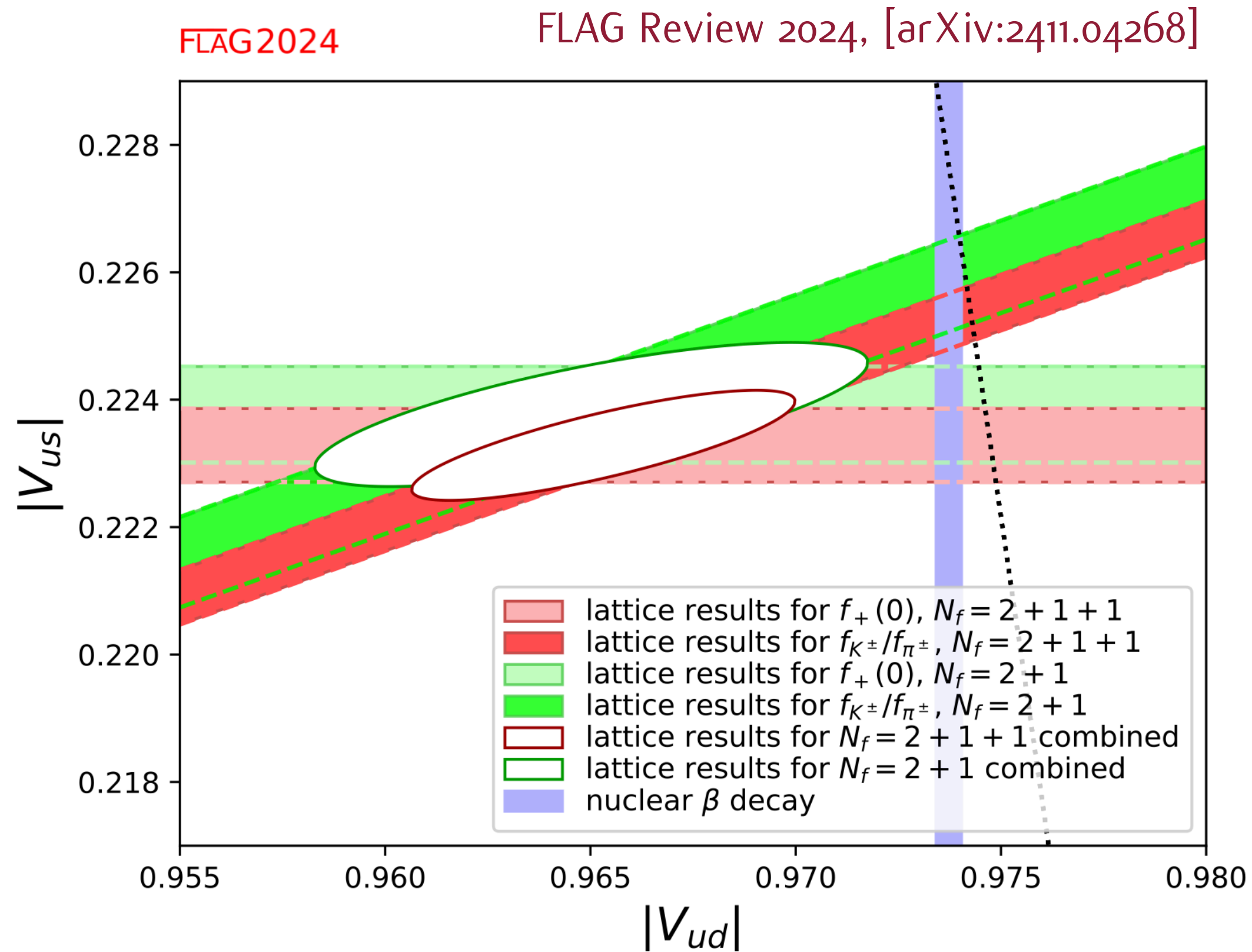
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The Cabibbo anomaly



$$\frac{|V_{us}|}{|V_{ud}|} \frac{f_{K^\pm}}{f_{\pi^\pm}} = 0.27599(41)$$

M.Moulson, PoS CKM2016 (2017)
PDG, PTET 2022 (2022)

$$|V_{us}| |f_+^{K^0\pi^-}(0)| = 0.21654(41)$$

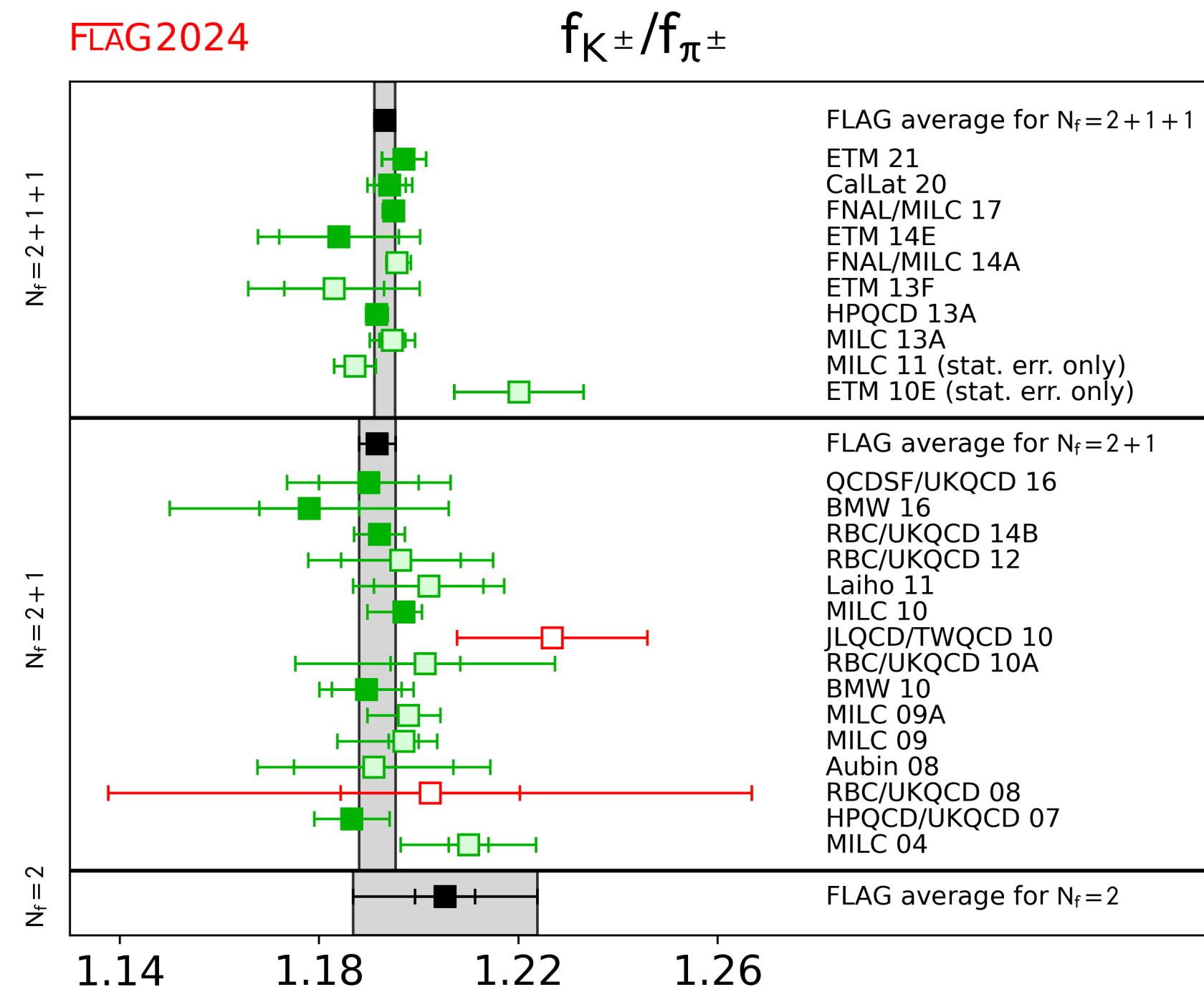
Different tensions in the V_{us} - V_{ud} plane:

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

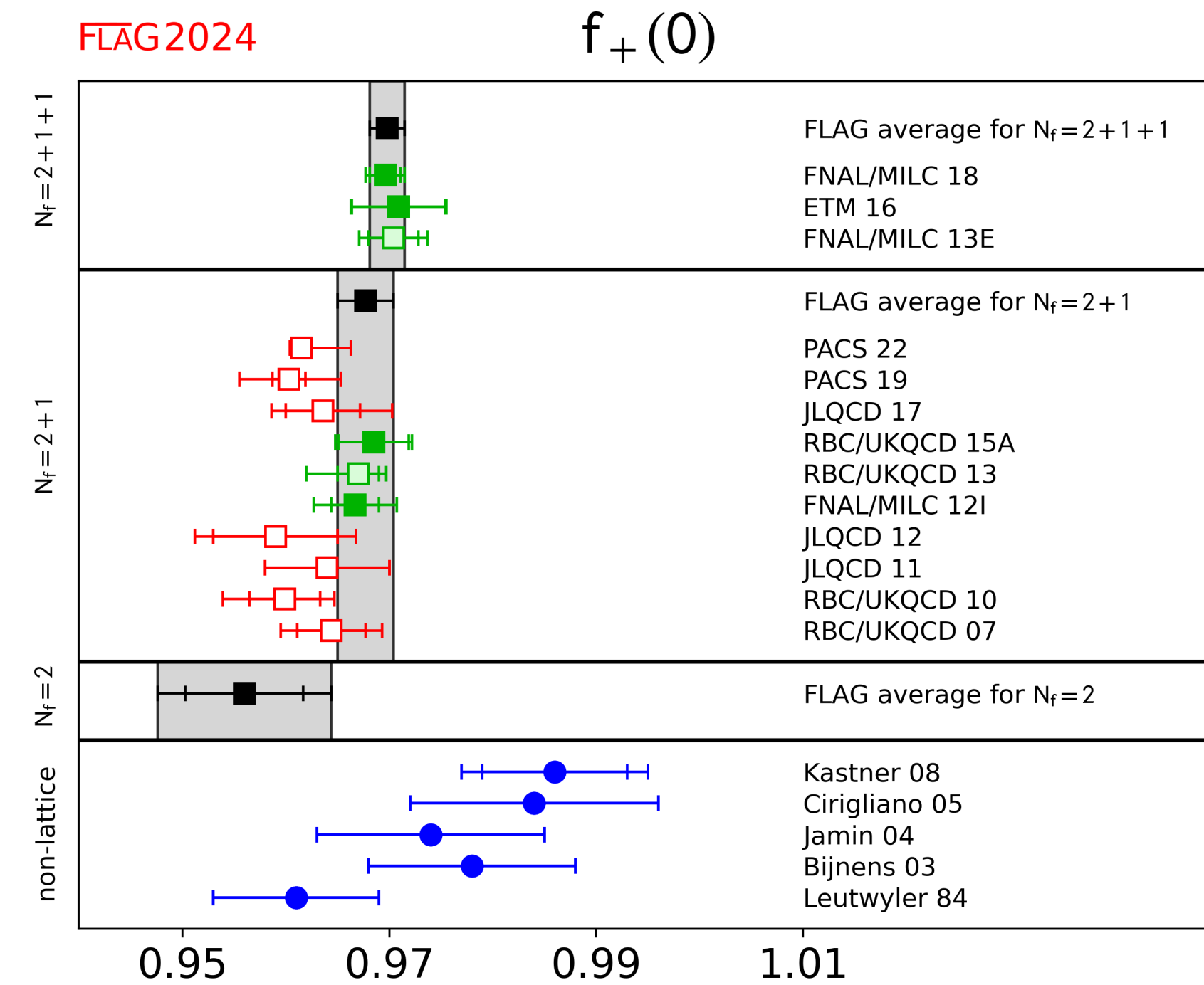
$$|V_u|^2_{\text{blue}} - 1 = 3.1\sigma \quad |V_u|^2_{\text{blue/red}} - 1 = 1.7\sigma$$

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

Lattice QCD inputs



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



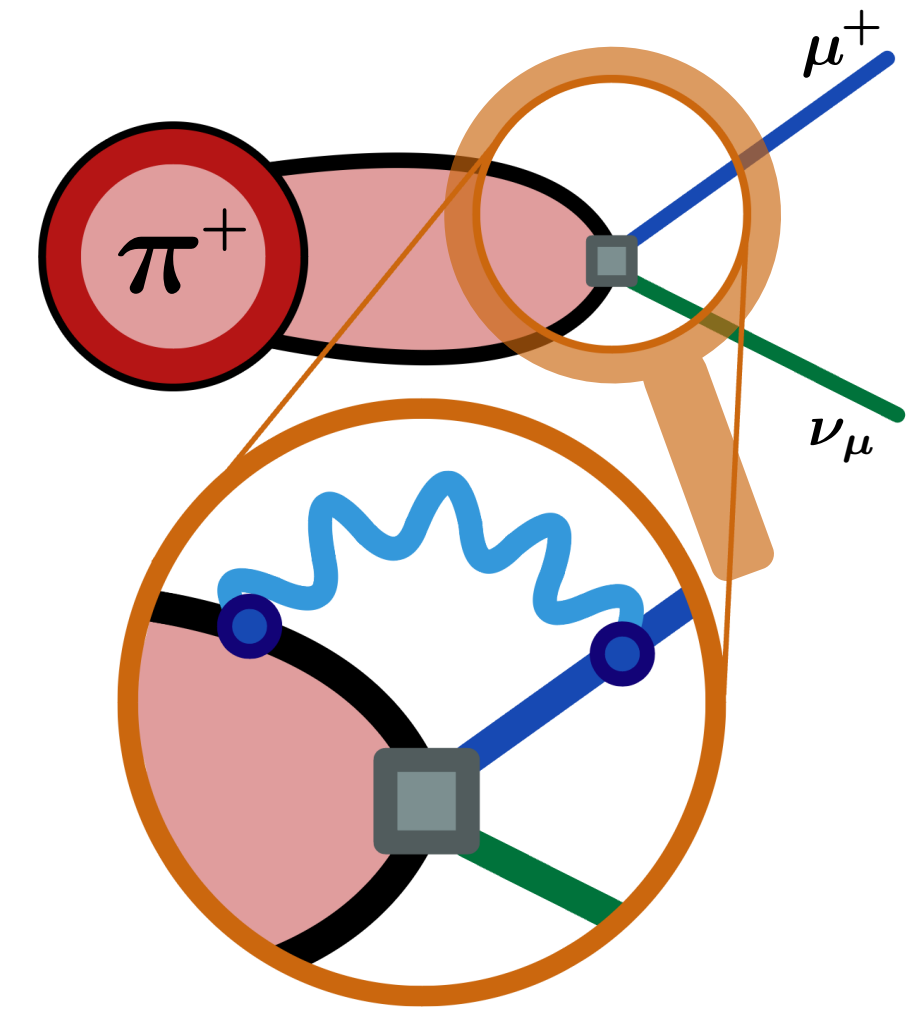
$$f_+^{K^\pi}(0) = 0.9698 (17)$$

FLAG2024 *Flavour Lattice Averaging Group* f_K/f_π and $f_+^{K^\pi}(0)$ determined from lattice QCD with sub percent precision!

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 $\alpha \neq 0$
- $\sim \mathcal{O}(1\%)$



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

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

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

Lattice QCD + QED

A conceptual challenge: how to define QED in a finite periodic box?

- ▶ need to circumvent Gauss' law: no charged states in a periodic box
- ▶ finite-volume effects can be sizeable and power-like
- ▶ logarithmic infrared divergences arise when studying decays

Problems well studied. Different lattice QED formulations proposed and used.

RM123 approach:

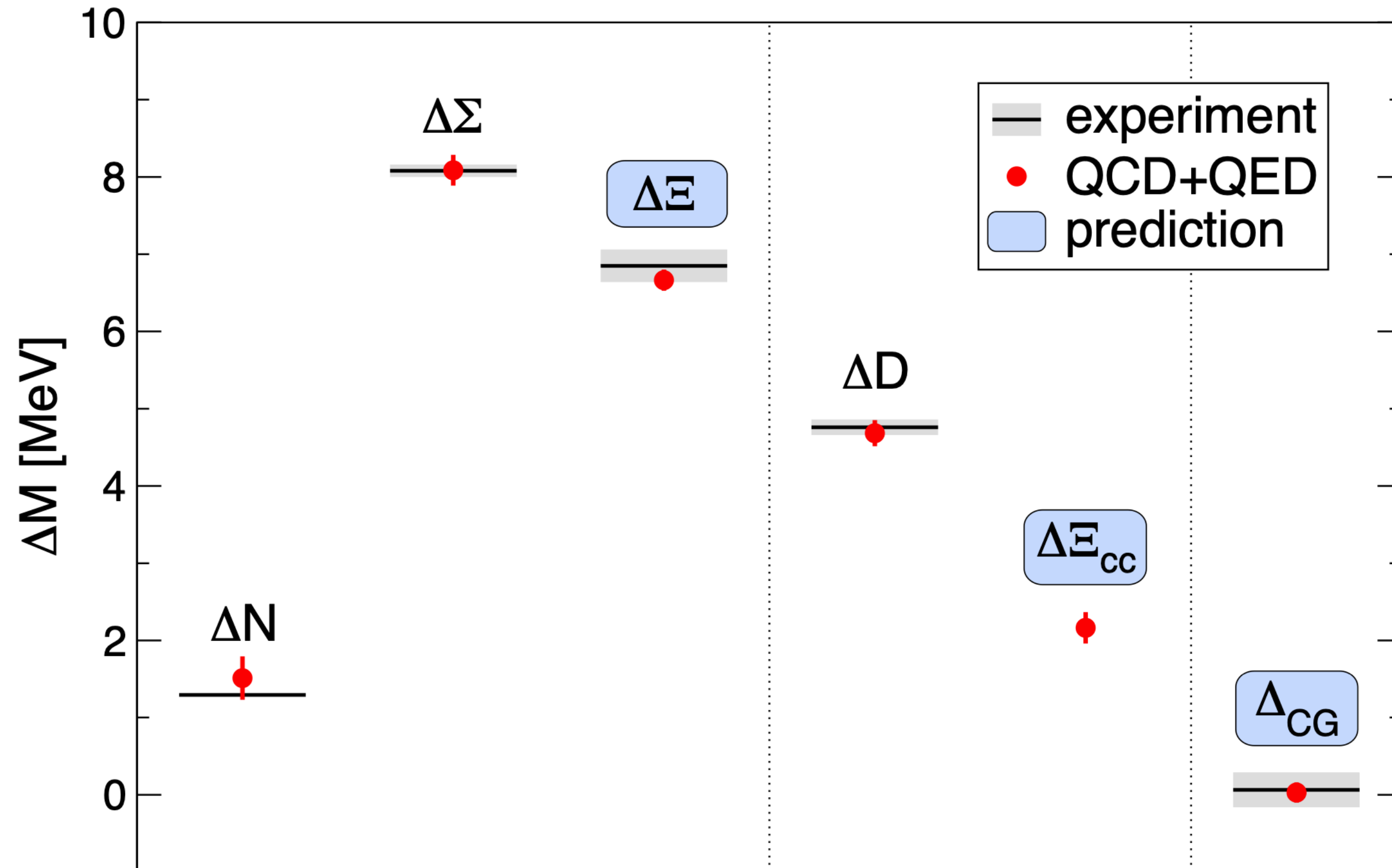
G.M.de Divitiis et al. [RM123], PRD 87 (2013)

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

$$\text{“iso”} = \begin{cases} m_u = m_d \\ \alpha_{\text{em}} = 0 \end{cases}$$

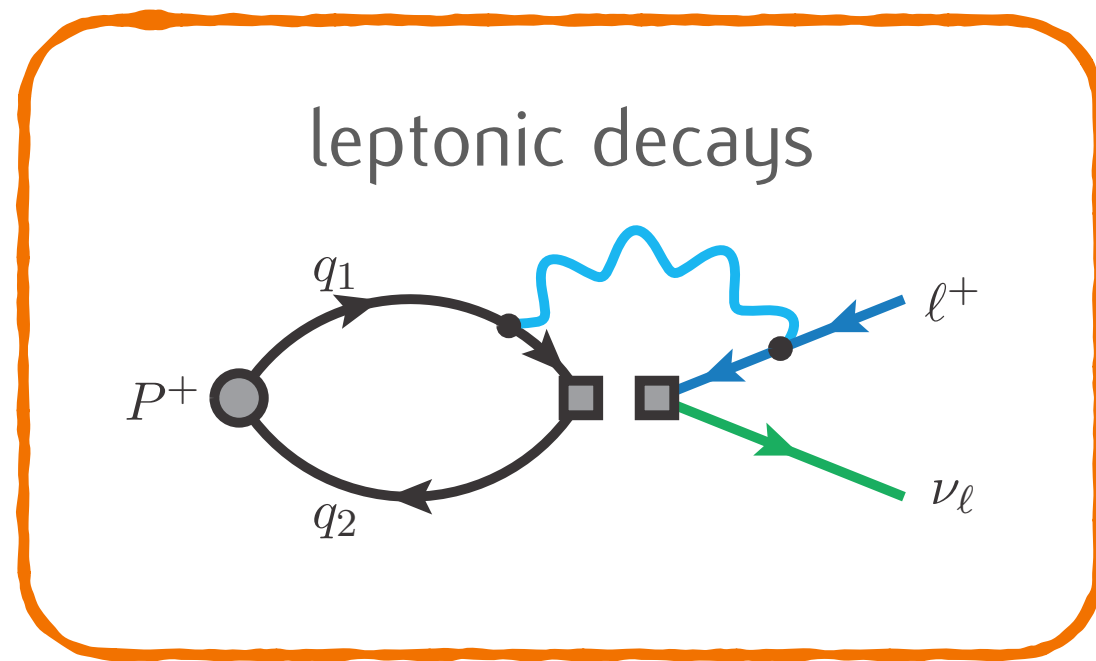
Hadron mass splitting

Pioneering work on neutron-proton mass difference [BMW Collaboration, Science 347 \(2015\)](#)



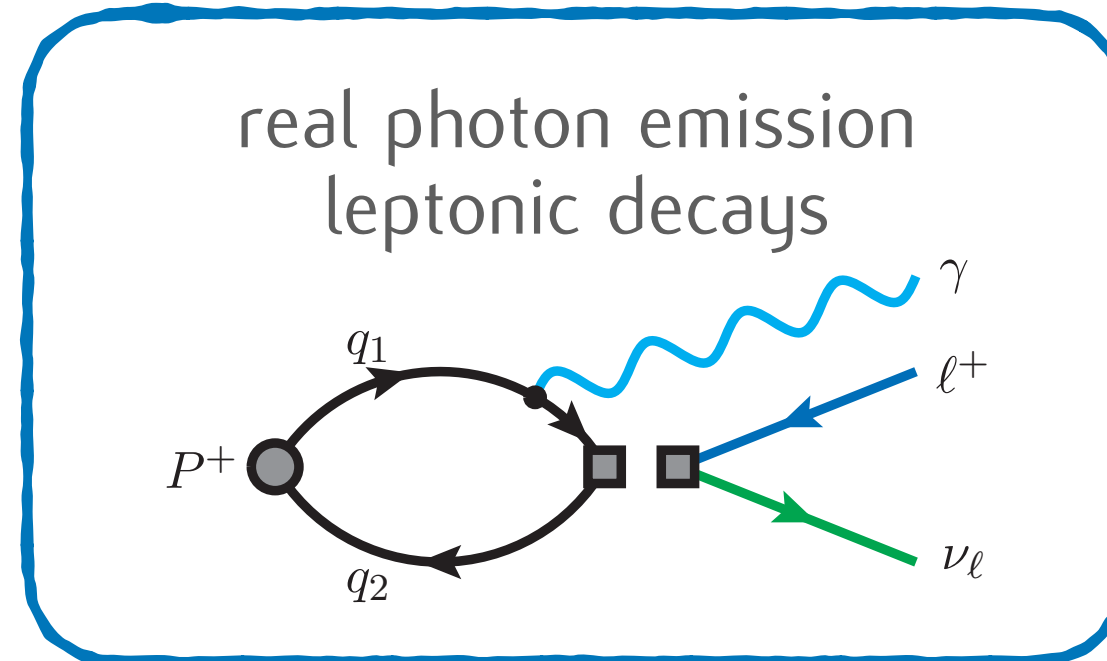
Pion & kaon mass splittings now computed by different collaborations \rightarrow u & d quark masses

Weak decays — some recent works



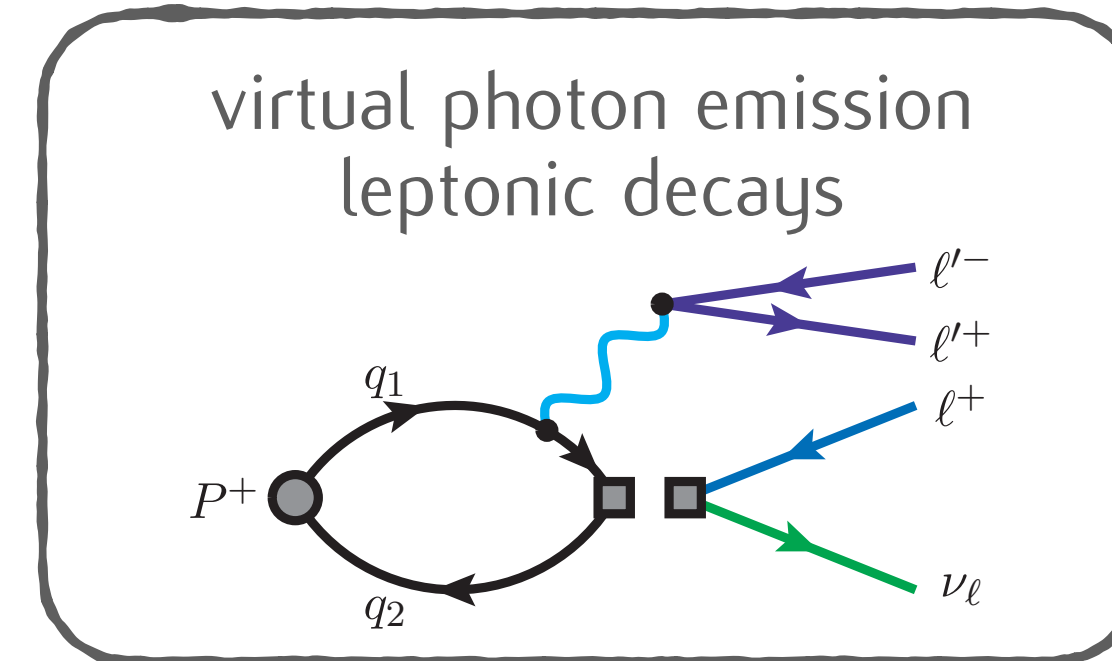
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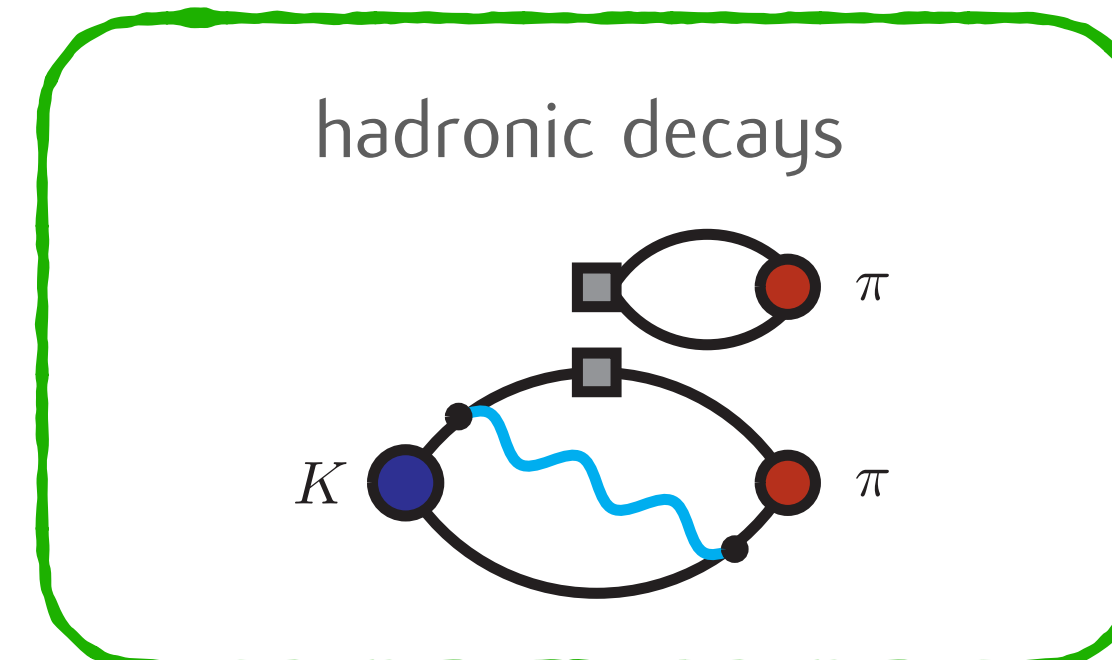
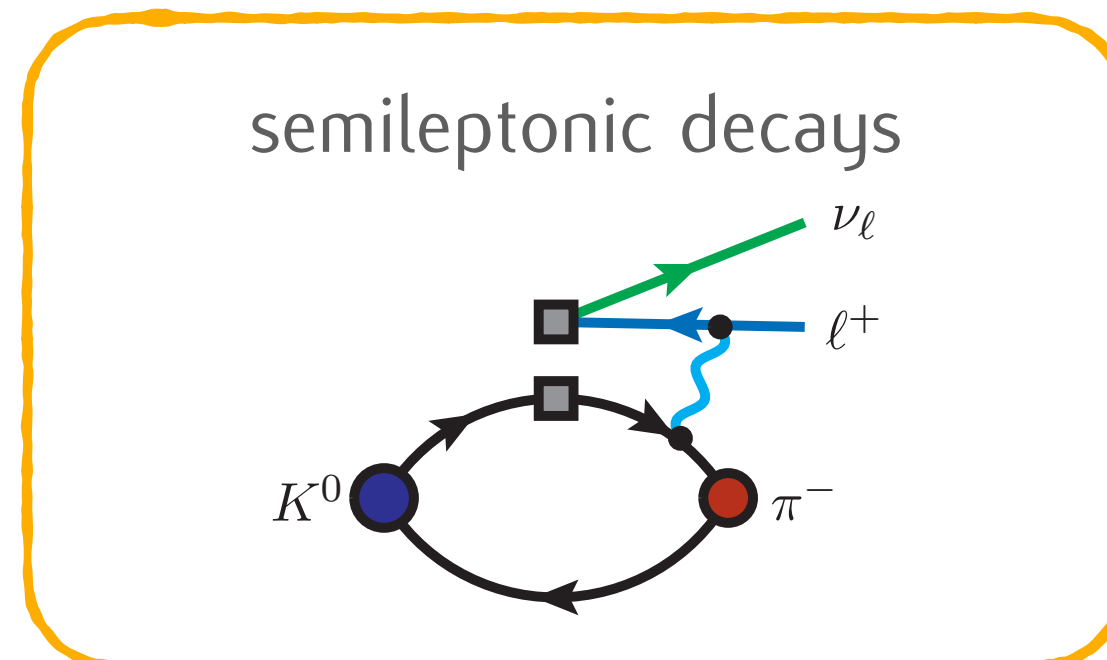
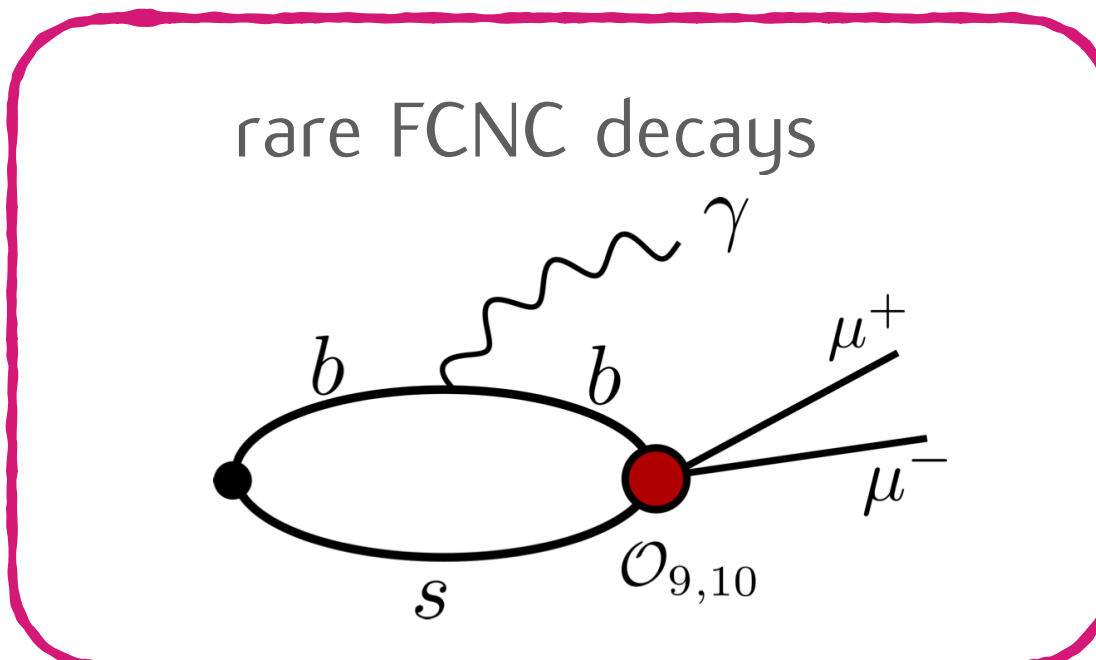
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C.Sachrajda et al., [1910.07342]
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G.Gagliardi et al., Phys. Rev. D 105 (2022)
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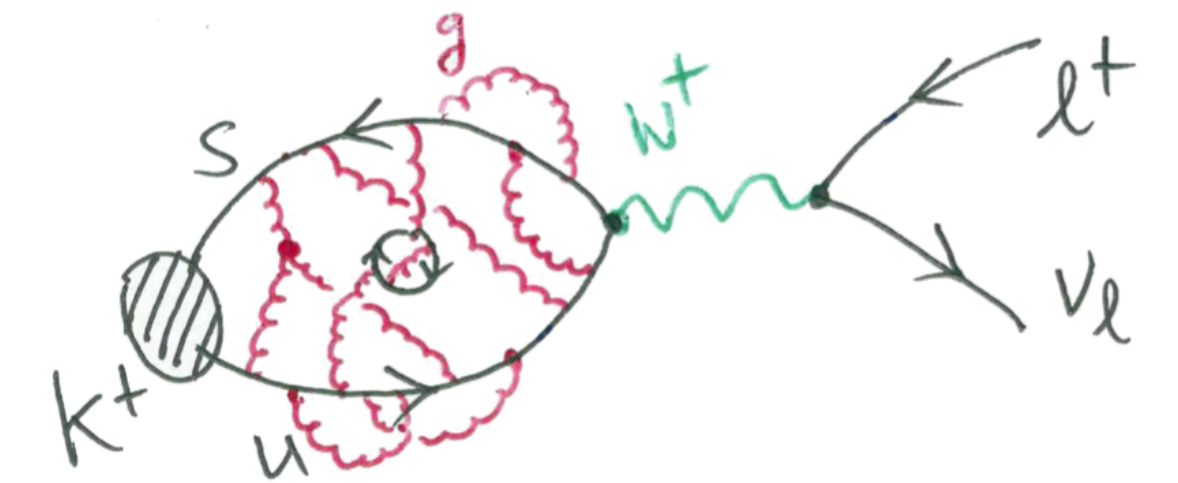
R.Abbott et al., PRD 102 (2020)
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 Y.Cai & Z.Davoudi, [1812.11015]



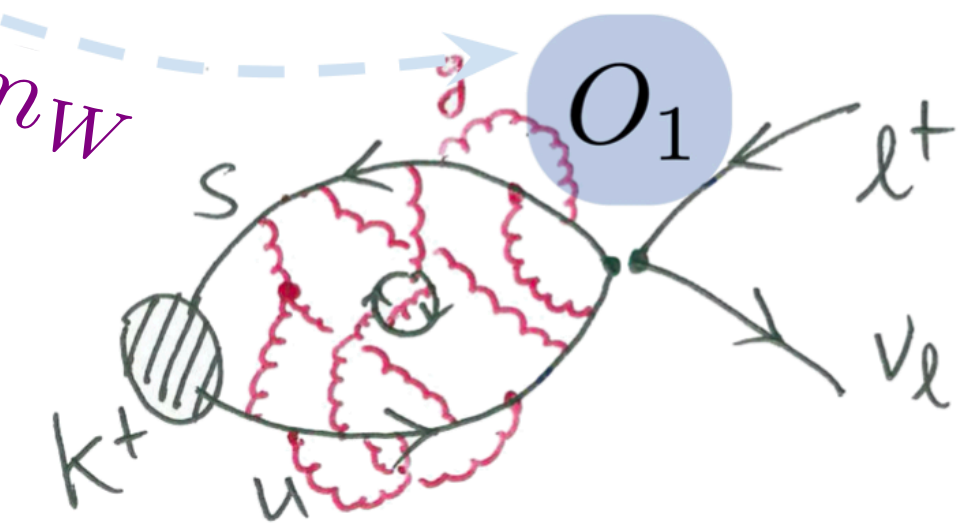
Leptonic decays of pseudoscalar mesons

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

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

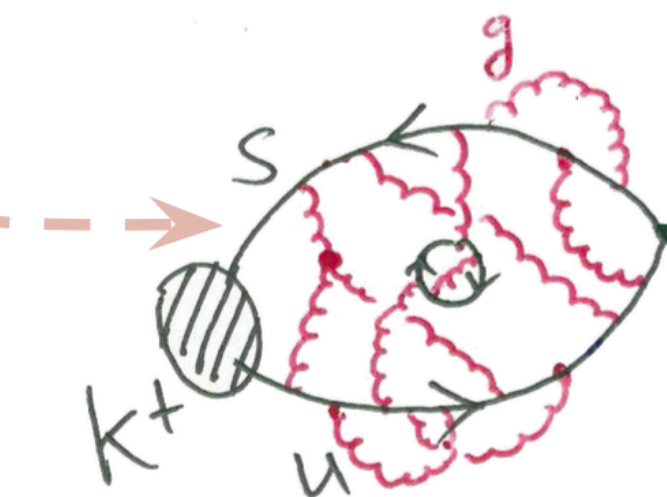


$1/a \ll m_W$



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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{q_1 q_2}^* \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_{\text{em}}}{\pi} \ln \left(\frac{M_Z}{M_W} \right) \right) \left[\bar{q}_2 \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q_1 \right] \left[\bar{\nu}_\ell \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) \ell \right] O_1^{\text{W-reg}}(M_W)$$

A.Sirlin, NPB 196 (1982)

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

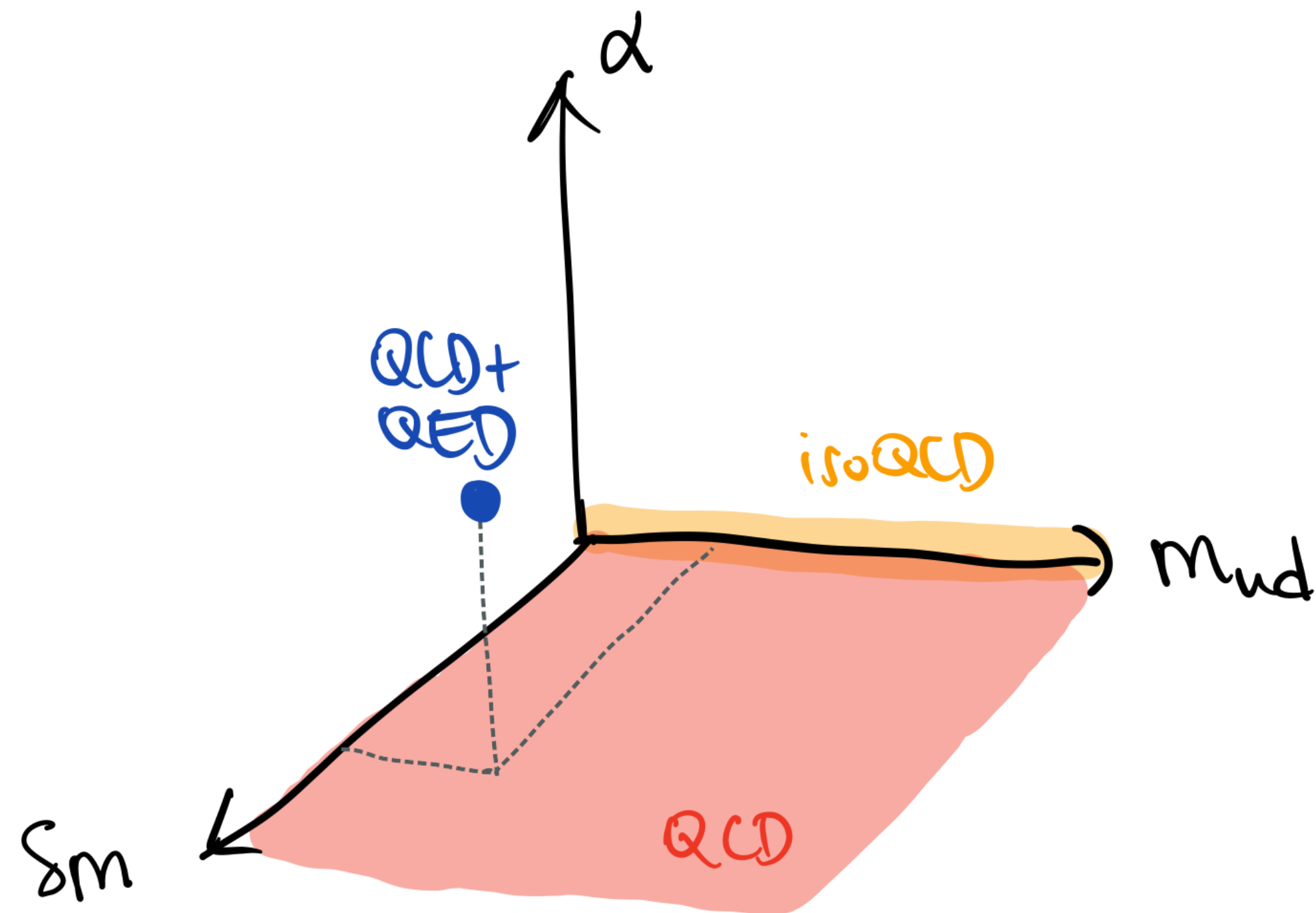
$$O_1^{\text{W-reg}}(M_W) = Z^{\text{W-S}} \left(\frac{M_W}{\mu}, \alpha_s(\mu), \alpha_{\text{em}} \right) O_1^{\text{S}}(\mu)$$

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

MDC et al., PRD 100 (2019)

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

Defining the isospin symmetric world



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

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

$j = 1, \dots, N_f$

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

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

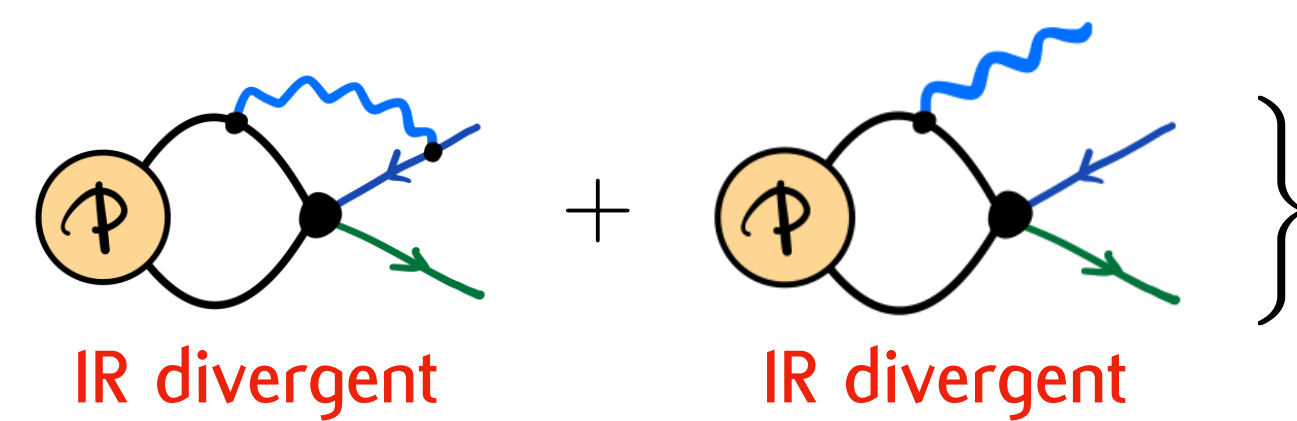
$$\sigma^{(0)} = (g^{(0)}, 0, \hat{\mathbf{m}}^{(0)}) \quad \hat{\mathbf{m}}^{(0)} = (\hat{m}_{ud}^{(0)}, 0, \hat{m}_s^{(0)}, \dots)$$

FLAG 2024 now includes a discussion on this topic where a reference scheme is proposed.

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

The RM123+Soton approach

F. Bloch & A. Nordsieck, PR 52 (1937)
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$$\Gamma(P_{\ell 2}) = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \text{on the lattice} \right\} + \lim_{m_\gamma \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \text{in perturbation theory} \right\}$$



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

leading finite-volume scaling well studied

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

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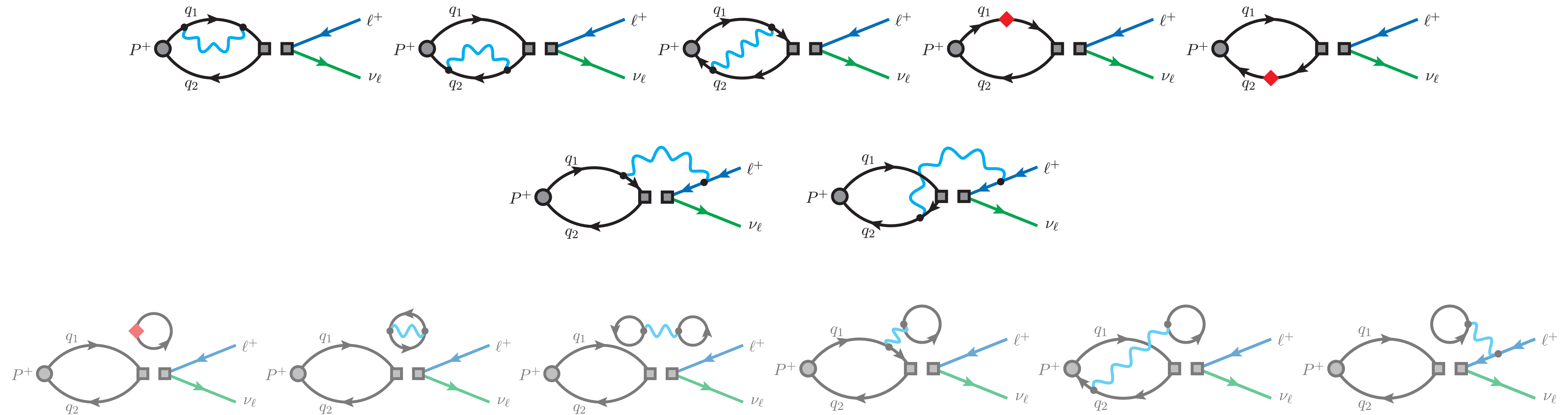
relevant for $K_{e 2}$ and $\pi_{e 2}$
 & decays of heavier mesons

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IB corrections to the decay amplitude

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

RM123 perturbative method: expand lattice path-integral around isosymmetric point $\alpha = m_u - m_d = 0$



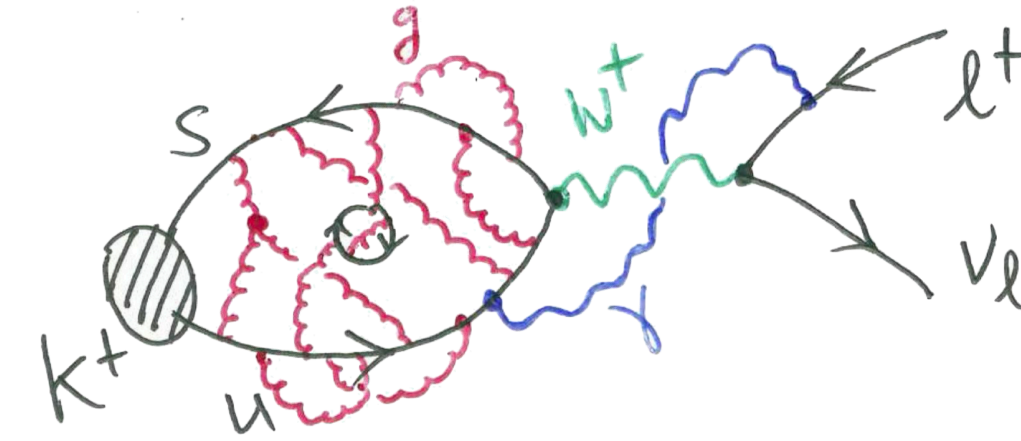
Current calculations have been performed in the electro-quenched approximation (sea quarks electrically neutral).

Work is in progress to compute the remaining diagrams.

T.Harris et al., PoS LATTICE 2022 (2023) 013

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

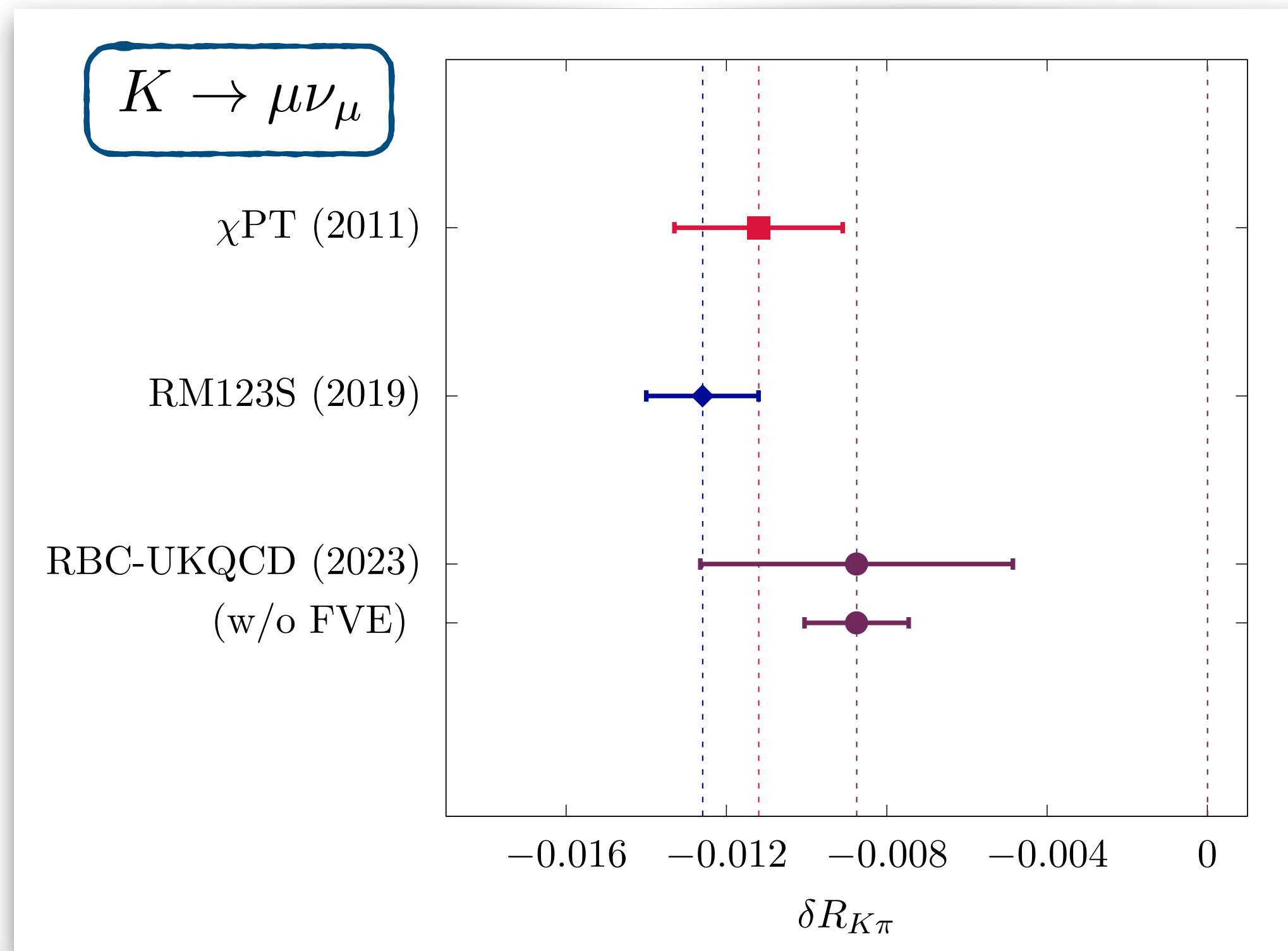
- $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0112 (21)$
- ◆ $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0126 (14)$
- $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0086 (13)(39)_{\text{vol.}}$



V.Cirigliano et al., PLB 700 (2011)
MDC et al., PRD 100 (2019)
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$$\frac{\Gamma(K \rightarrow l\nu_l)}{\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow l\nu_l)} \propto \frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} \left(\frac{f_K}{f_\pi}\right)^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi})$$

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

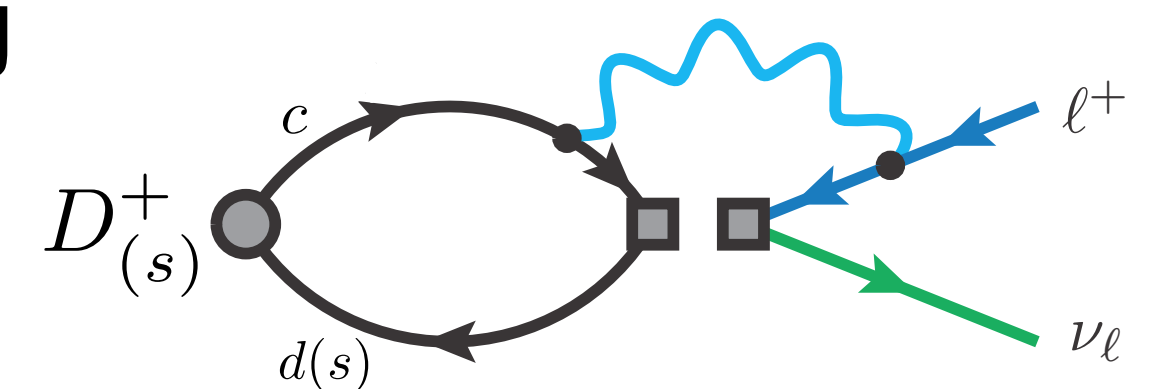


Some comments on light mesons...

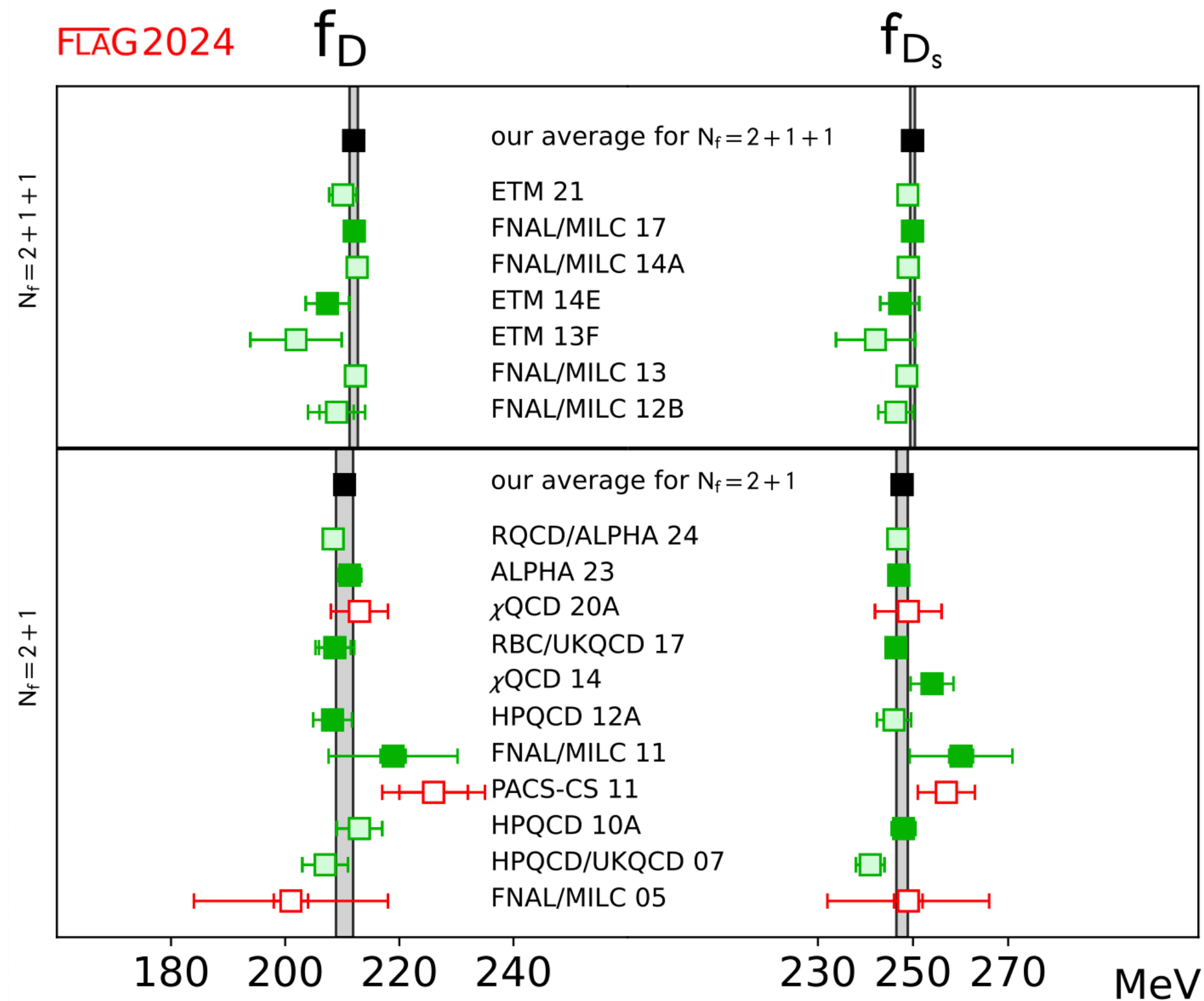
- Theory uncertainties on K/π leptonic decays can become comparable with experimental ones
- Current kaon experiments: NA62 (CERN) & KOTO (J-PARC)
- Proposal for high intensity kaon program at CERN (HIKE) was not approved [March '24], so the future of kaon measurements is a bit unclear...
- New analyses of old datasets possible?

... and heavy ones

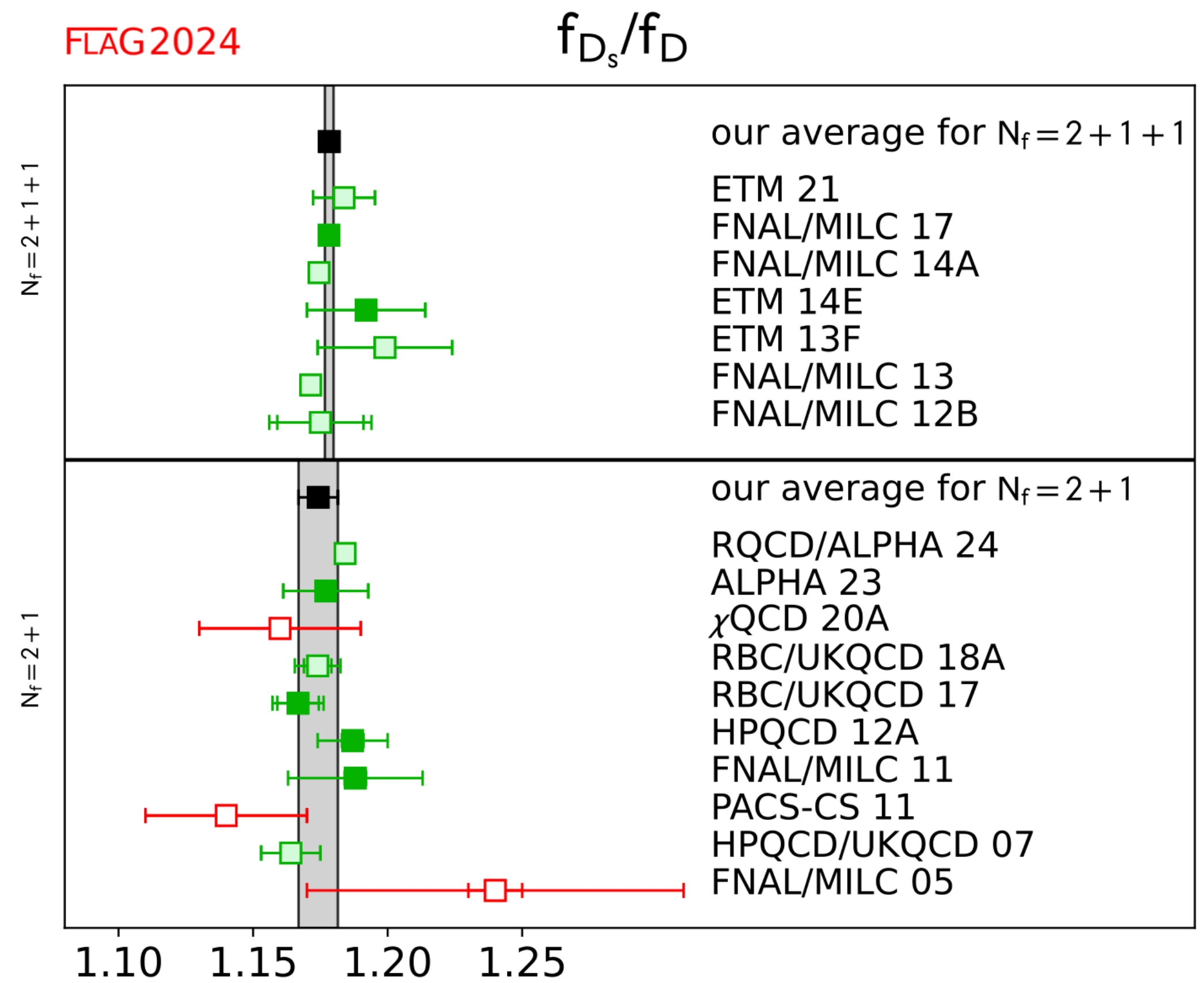
- Lattice QCD+QED calculations of D and Ds mesons decays are under study
- B-meson decays require very fine lattices, but exploratory work on radiative decay $B^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \bar{\nu} \gamma$ is ongoing



Charmed QCD decay constants



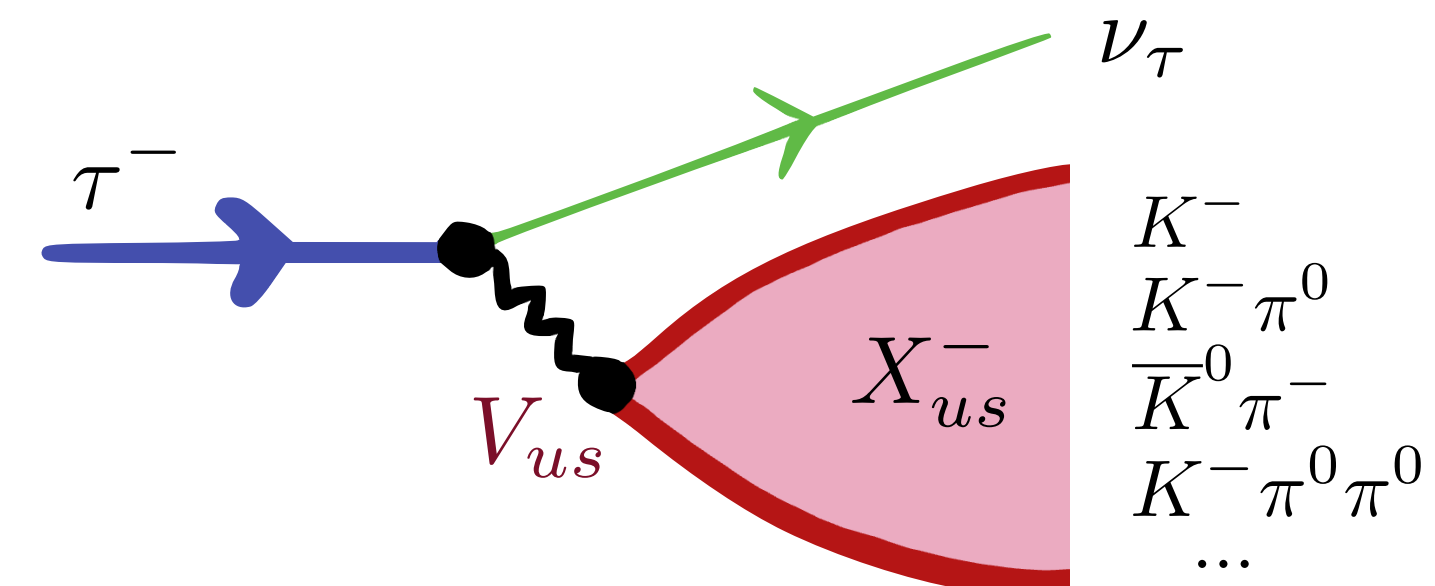
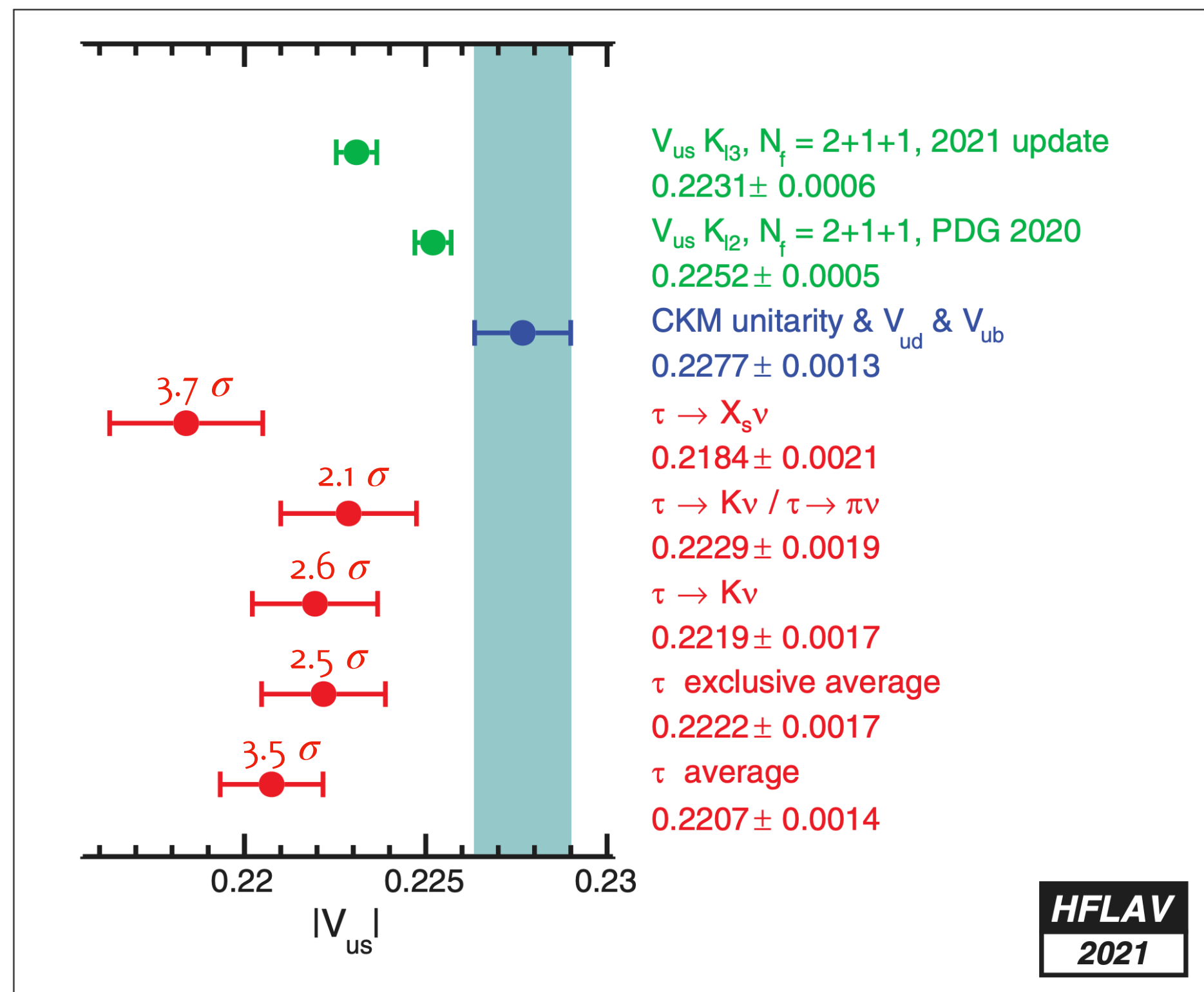
$$f_D = 212.0(0.7) \text{ MeV} \quad f_{D_s} = 249.9(0.5) \text{ MeV}$$



$$f_{D_s}/f_D = 1.1783(0.0016)$$

Inclusive hadronic τ decays

Alternative determinations of $|V_{us}|$ can be obtained from inclusive hadronic τ decays



- And yet another puzzle: lower value of $|V_{us}|_{\tau\text{-incl.}}$.
- Inclusive $\tau \rightarrow X_{us} \nu_\tau$ result in HFLAV plot obtained using truncated operator product expansion (OPE)
- Exclusive channels give results larger than $|V_{us}|_{\tau\text{-incl.}}$ but smaller than that obtained imposing CKM unitarity

Inclusive hadronic τ decays

A.Evangelista et al. (ETMC), PRD 108 (2023)

C.Alexandrou et al. (ETMC), PRL 132 (2024)

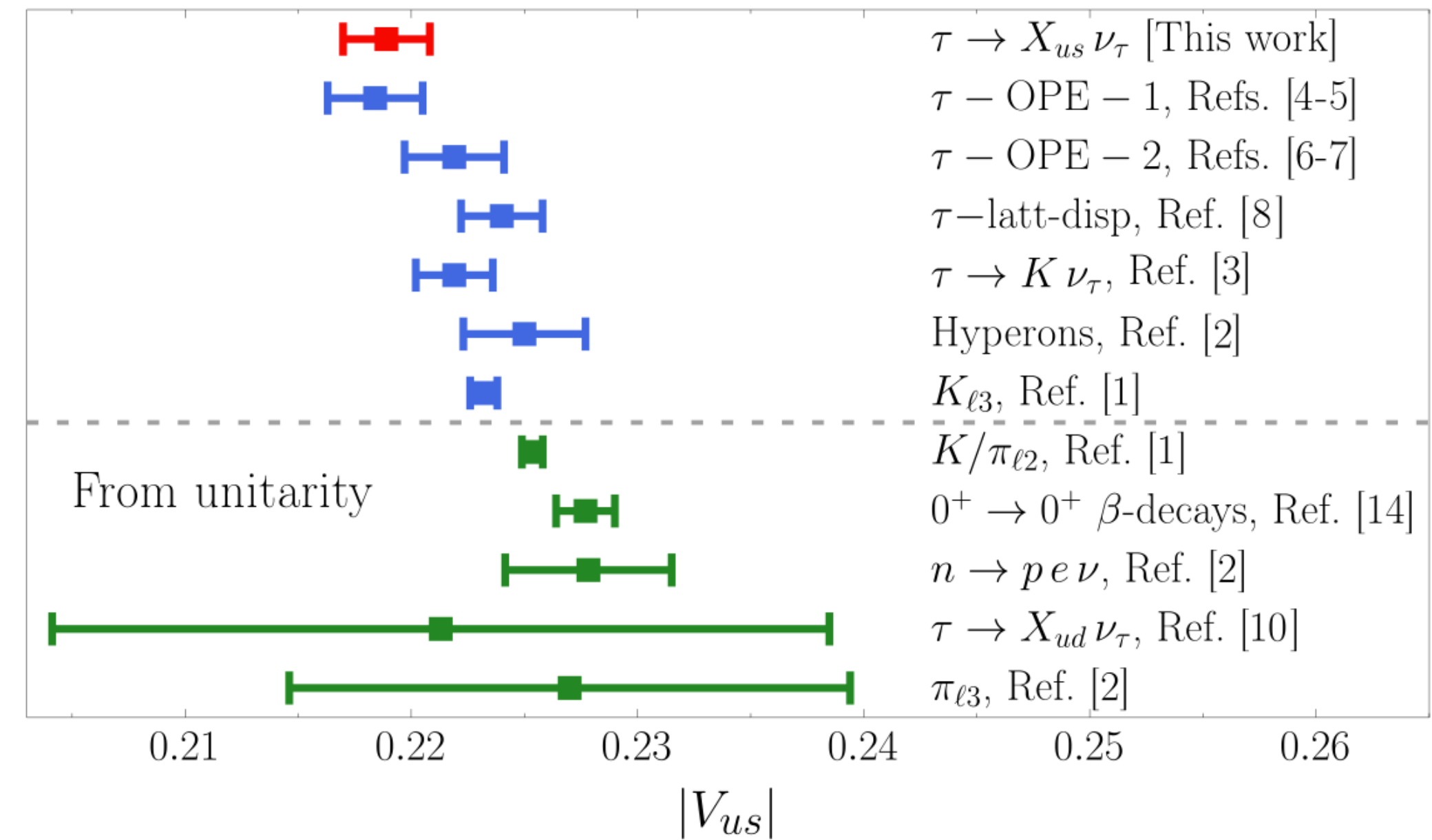
Recent calculation obtains inclusive decay rate using smeared spectral densities reconstructed from finite-volume Euclidean lattice correlators M.Hansen, A.Lupo & N.Tantalo, PRD 99 (2019)

$$\rho(\omega) = \langle \tau^- | H_W^{us} (2\pi) \delta(\mathbb{H} - \omega) H_W^{us} | \tau^- \rangle$$

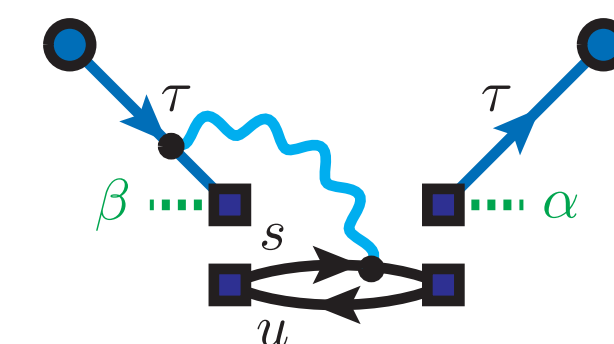
$$\hat{\rho}_L(E, \epsilon) = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{2\pi} \Delta_\epsilon(E, \omega) \rho_L(\omega)$$

$$= \sum_{t=0}^T g_t(E, \epsilon) C_L(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Gamma(\tau \rightarrow X_{us} \nu_\tau) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\hat{\rho}_L(m_\tau, \epsilon)}{2m_\tau}$$



› **Next step:** inclusion of QED and strong isospin-breaking effects



CP violation in neutral kaons

flavour eigenstates

$$i\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} K^0(t) \\ \bar{K}^0(t) \end{pmatrix} = \left(\mathbf{M} - \frac{i}{2}\mathbf{\Gamma} \right) \begin{pmatrix} K^0(t) \\ \bar{K}^0(t) \end{pmatrix}$$

weak eigenstates

$$|K_{L,S}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+|\bar{\epsilon}|^2}} (\bar{\epsilon}|K_{\pm}\rangle + |K_{\mp}\rangle)$$

CP eigenstates

$$|K_{\pm}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|K^0\rangle \pm |\bar{K}^0\rangle)$$

Neutral mesons can mix because the flavour eigenstates are different from the weak eigenstates

- "Indirect" CP violation in the mixing

$$|\epsilon| = (2.228 \pm 0.011) \times 10^{-3}$$

PDG, PTET 2022 (2022)

- "Direct" CP violation in the decay

$$\eta_{+-} = \frac{\langle \pi^+ \pi^- | \mathcal{H}_w | K_L \rangle}{\langle \pi^+ \pi^- | \mathcal{H}_w | K_S \rangle} = \epsilon + \epsilon'$$

$$\eta_{00} = \frac{\langle \pi^0 \pi^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K_L \rangle}{\langle \pi^0 \pi^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K_S \rangle} = \epsilon - 2\epsilon'$$

$$\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon) = (1.66 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-3}$$

PDG, PTET 2022 (2022)

CP violation in neutral kaons

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

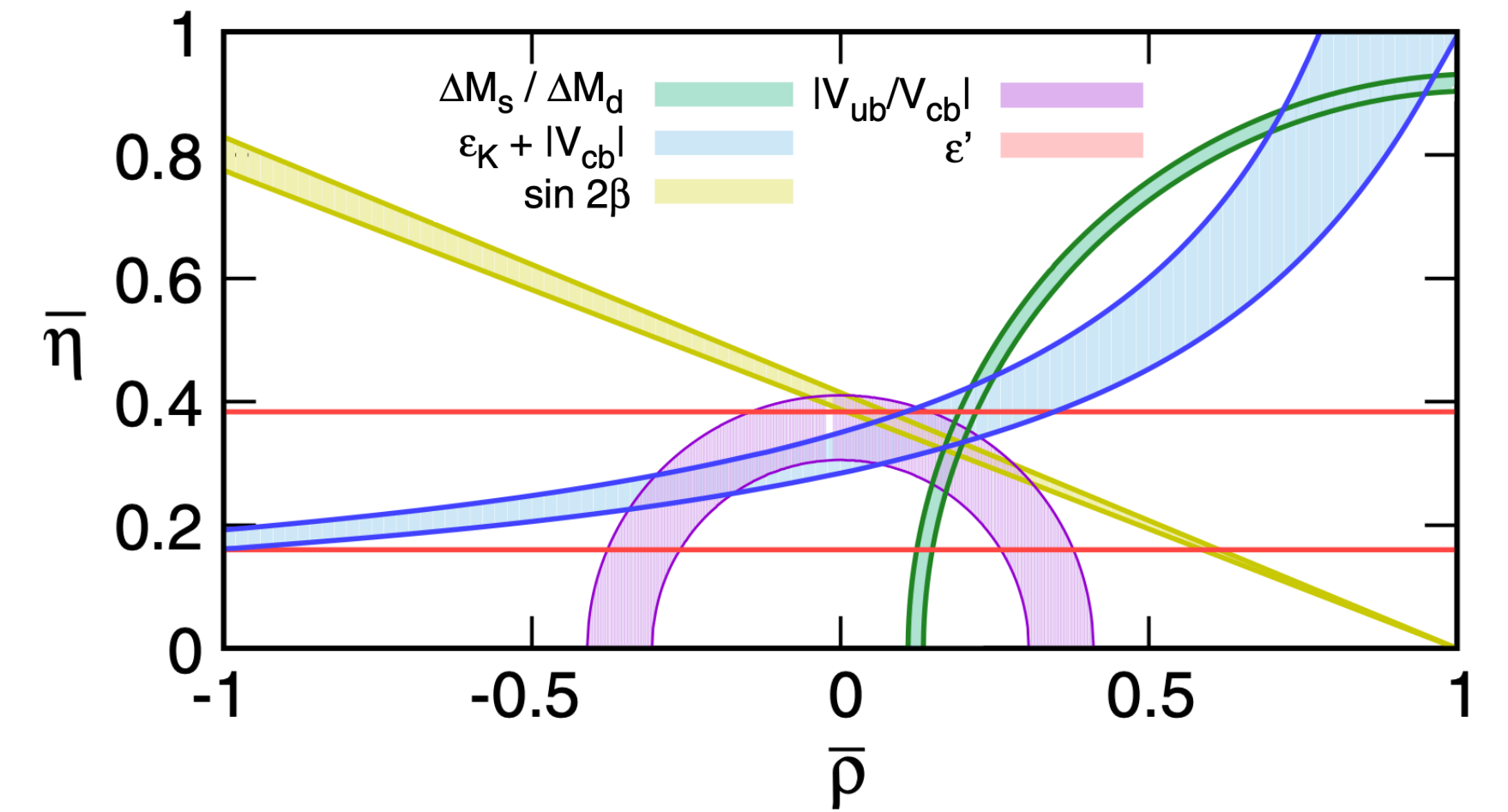
experiments: $\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon) = 16.6 (2.3) \times 10^{-4}$

- $\text{Re}(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$ currently at **40% precision** (RBC-UKQCD).
Significant improvements expected in next couple of years -> QED?

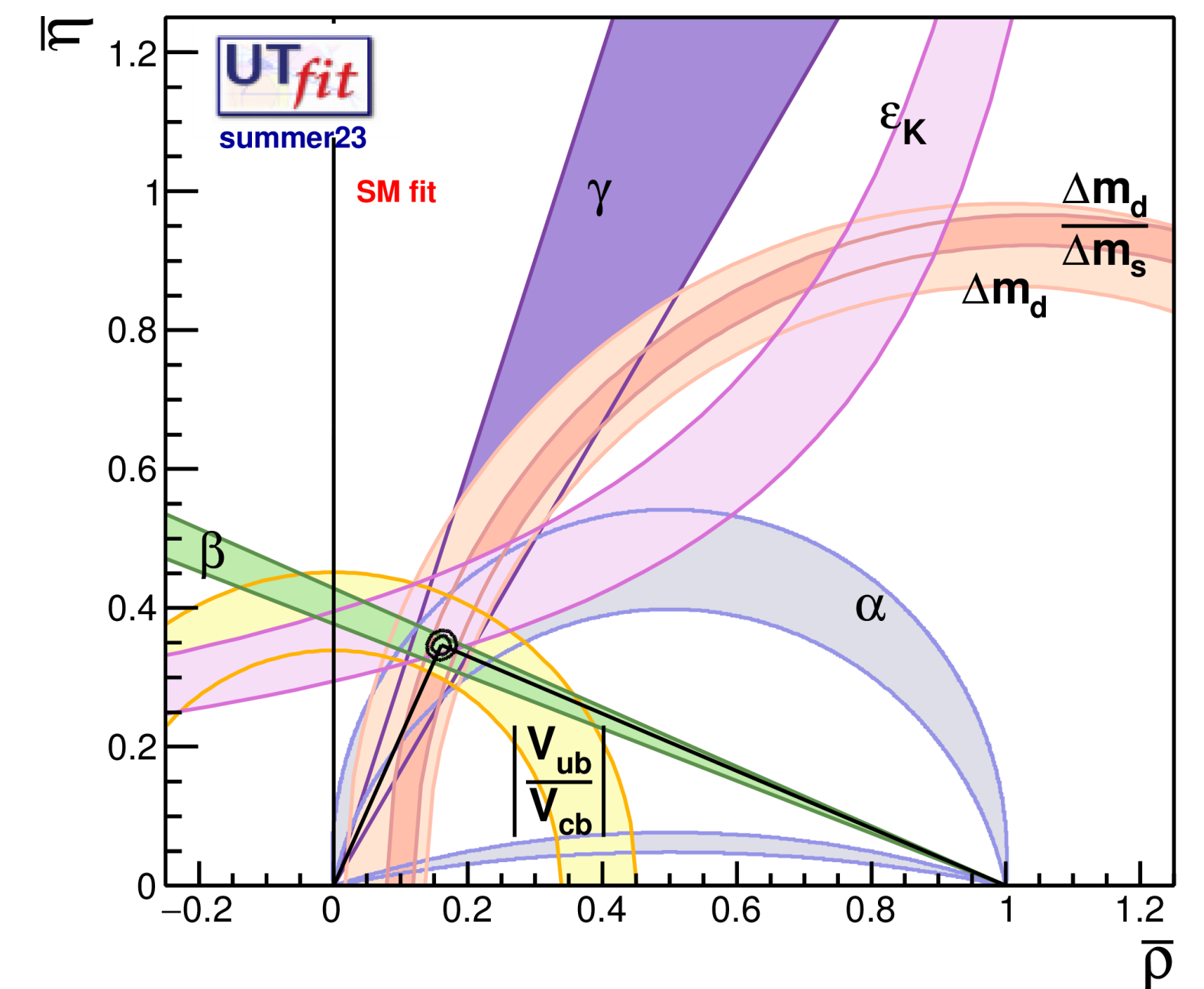
$\langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K^0 \rangle_{\text{SD}}$ P.A.Boyle et al. PRD 110 (2024) (dominates)

$\langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K^0 \rangle_{\text{LD}}$ Z.Bai et al. PRD 109 (2024)

- $(\epsilon_K)_{\text{LD}}$ also at **40% precision** (RBC-UKQCD).
Errors of ~10% can be achieved on the long term
- Lattice inputs to $(\epsilon_K)_{\text{SD}}$ can be computed with high precision,
but overall uncertainty is dominated by $|V_{cb}|$
- $|V_{cb}|$ -puzzle affects the SM prediction for $|\epsilon_K|$

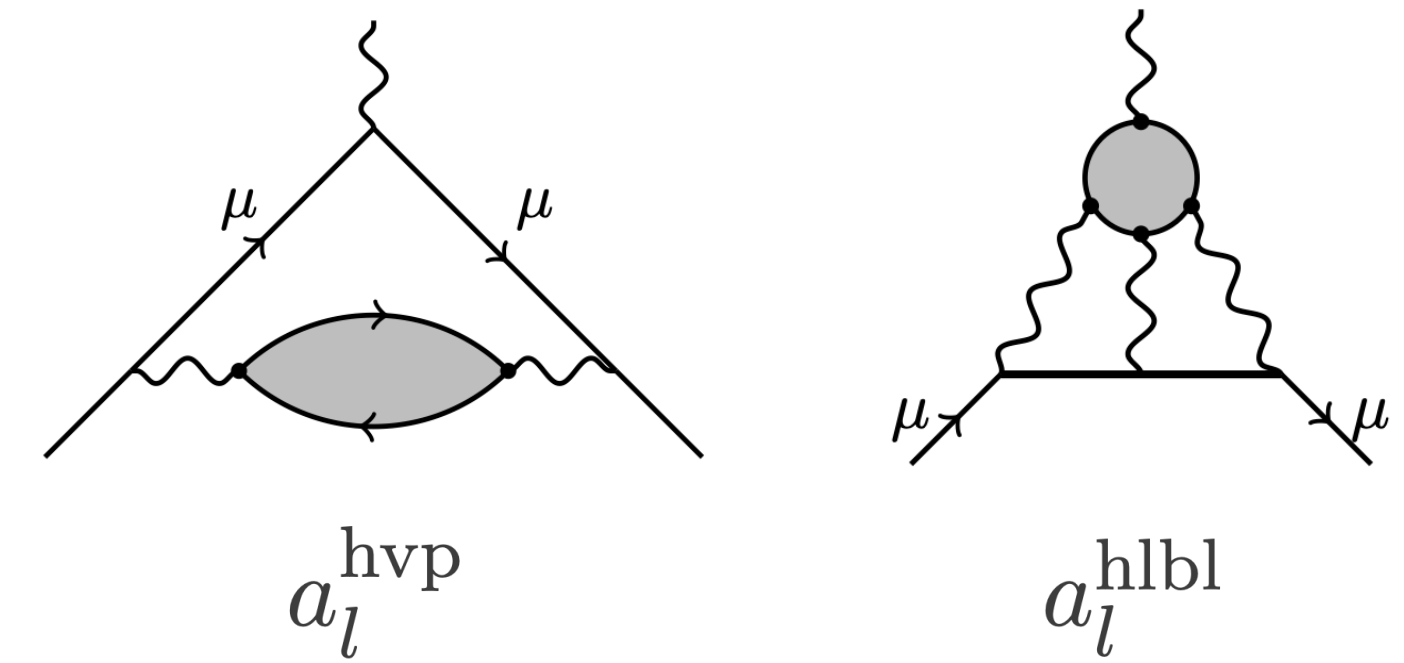
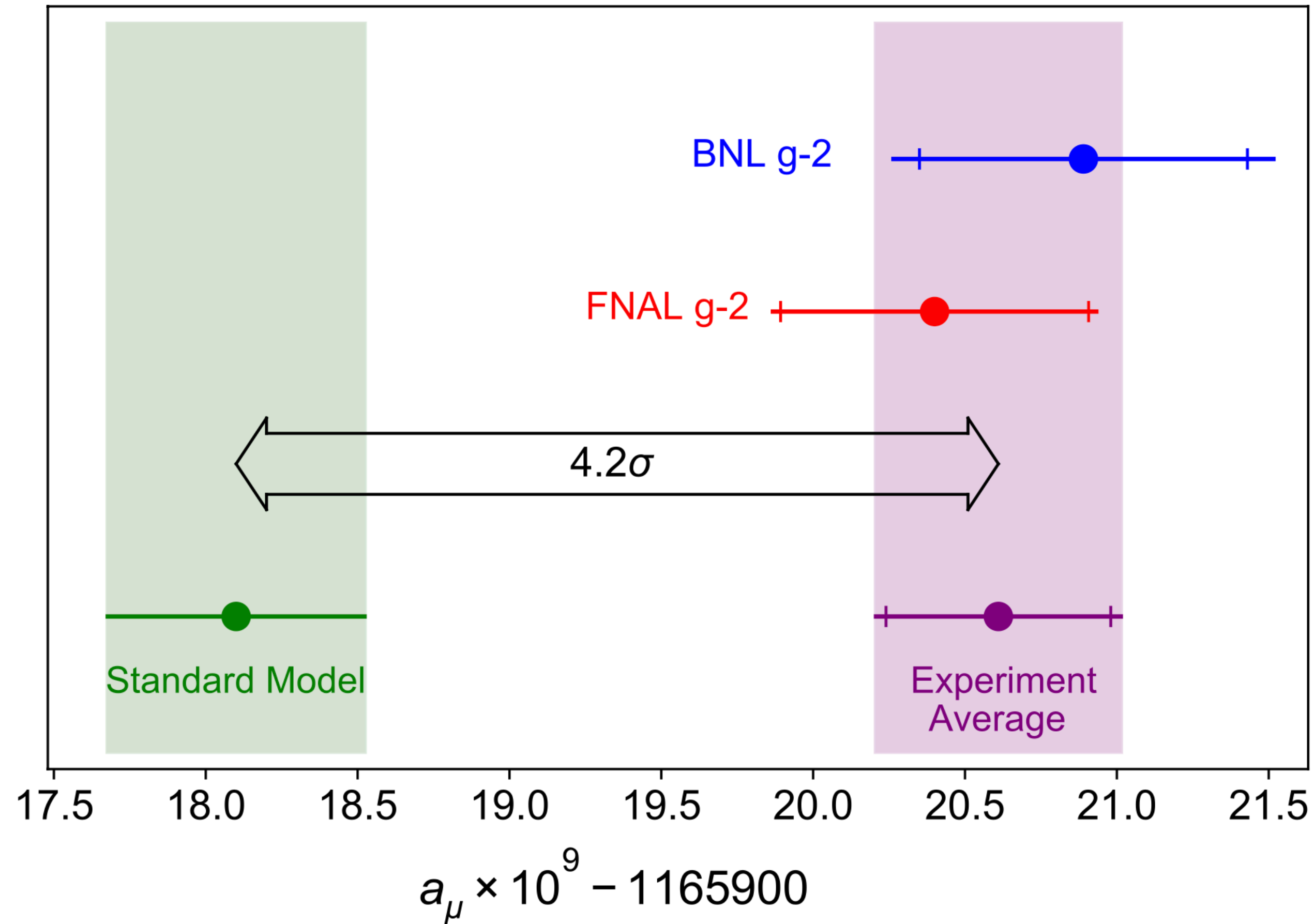


R.Abbott et al., PRD 102 (2020)



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The picture in 2020-2021



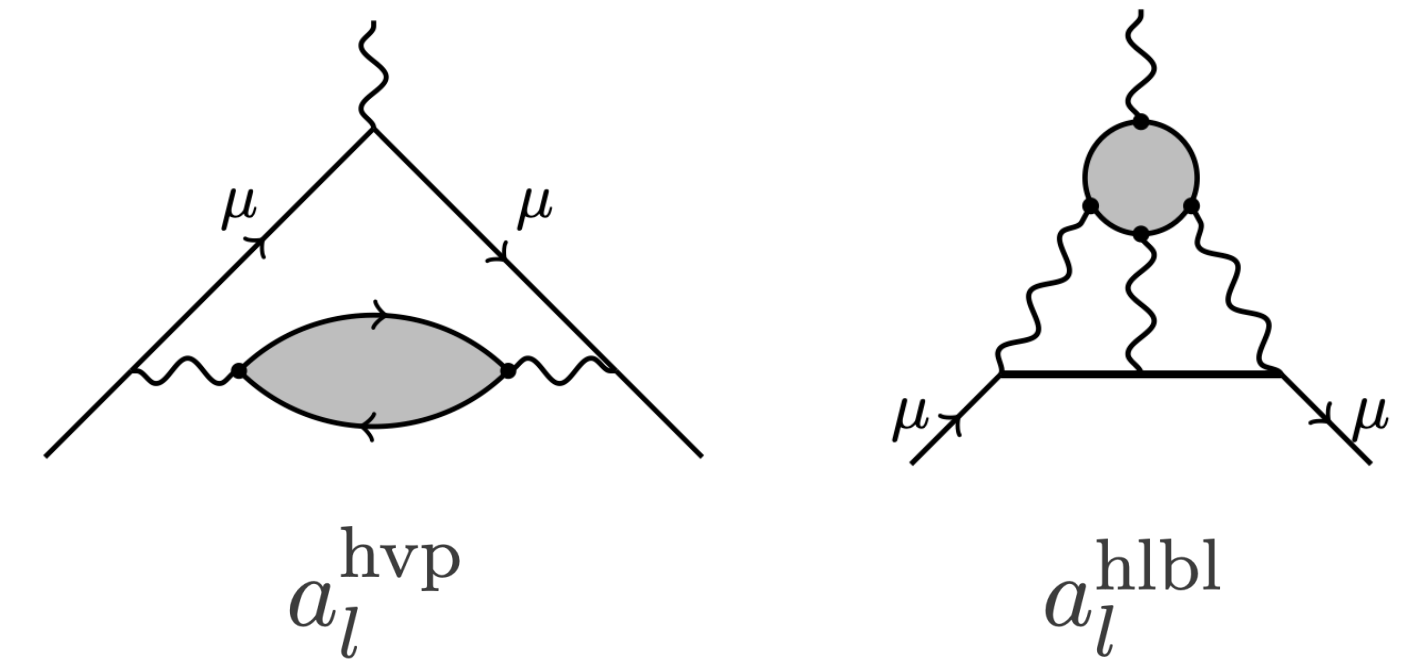
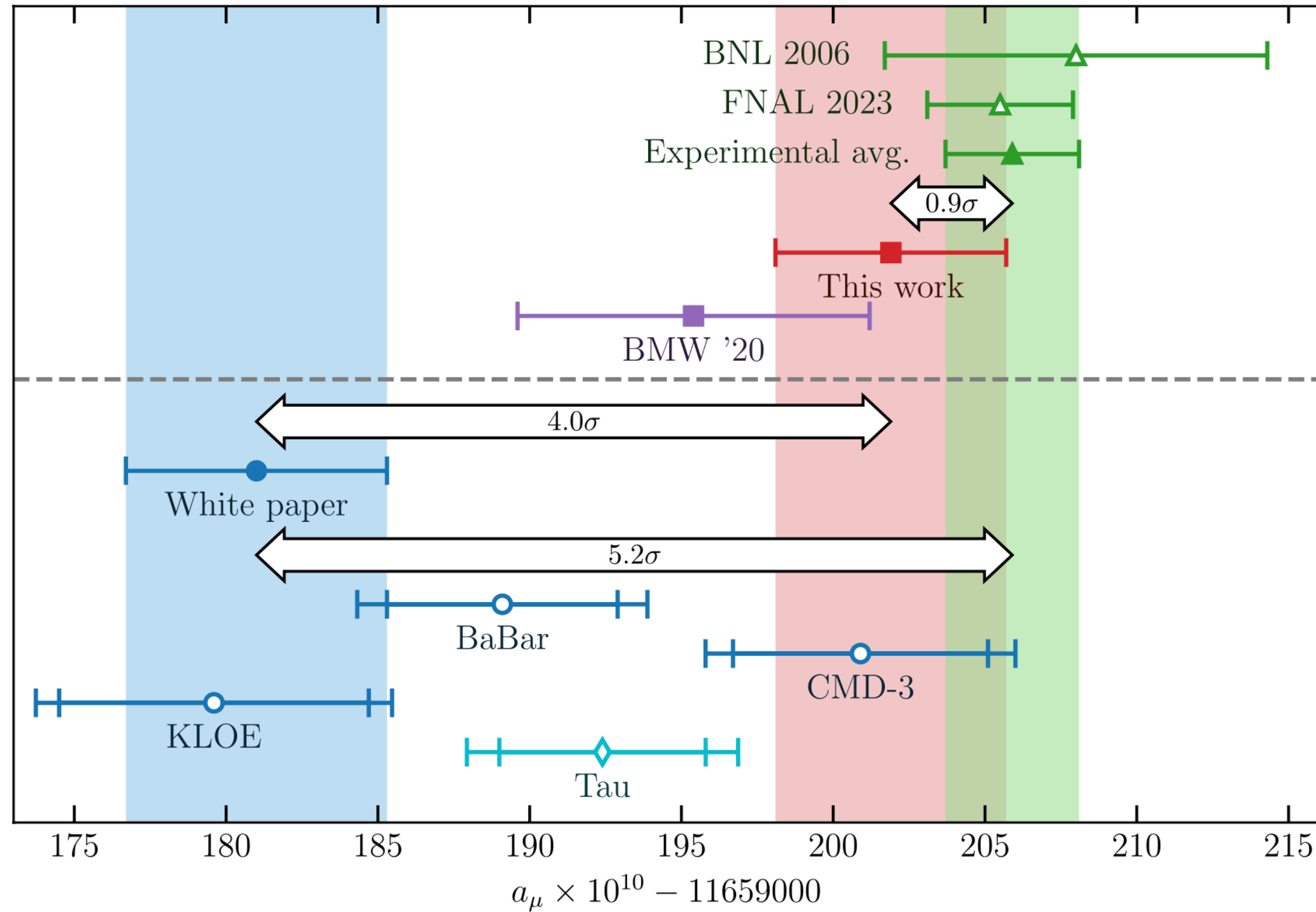
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Standard Model prediction based on the White Paper of the Muon g-2 Theory Initiative

Aoyama et al., 2006.04822

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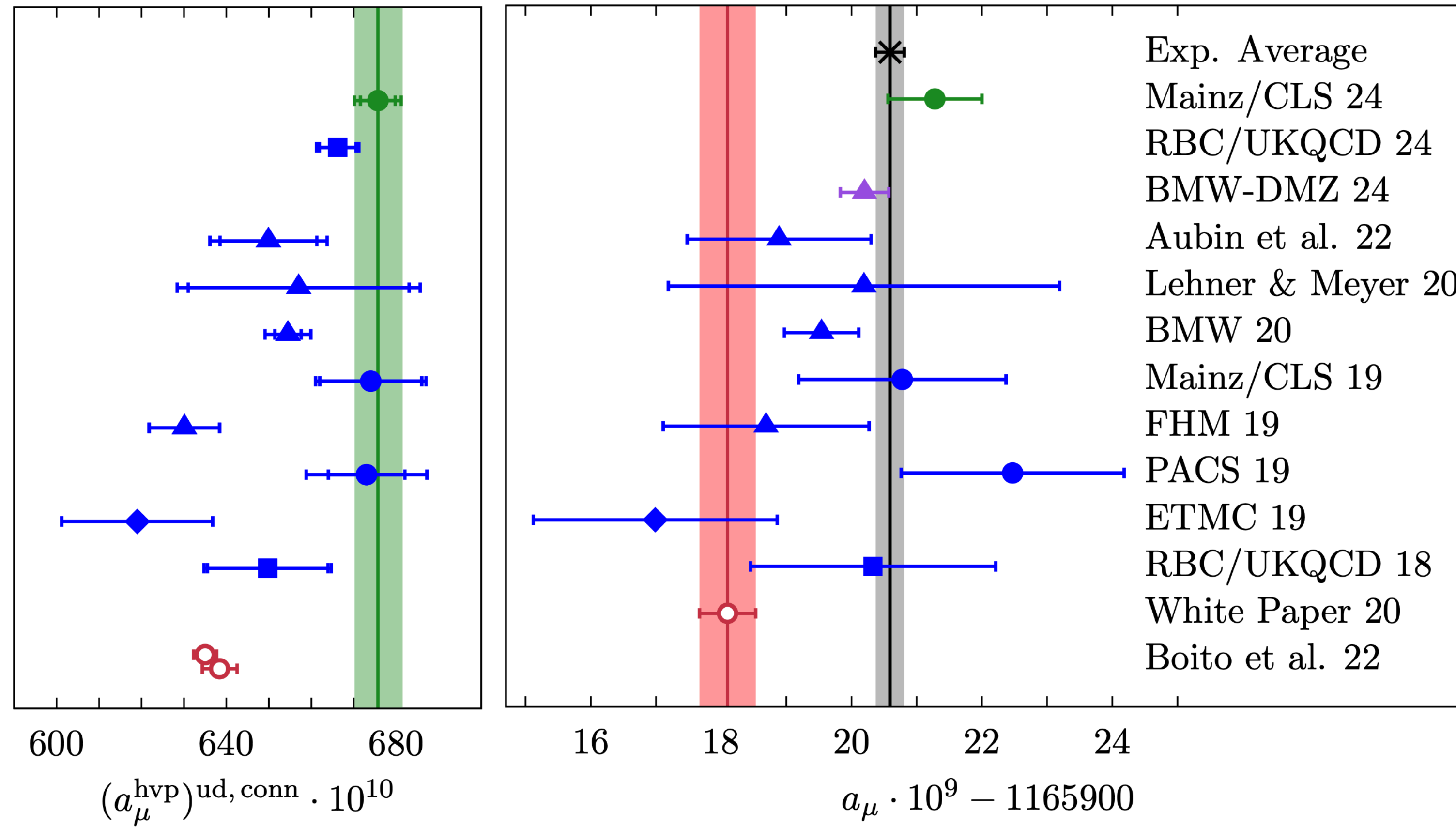
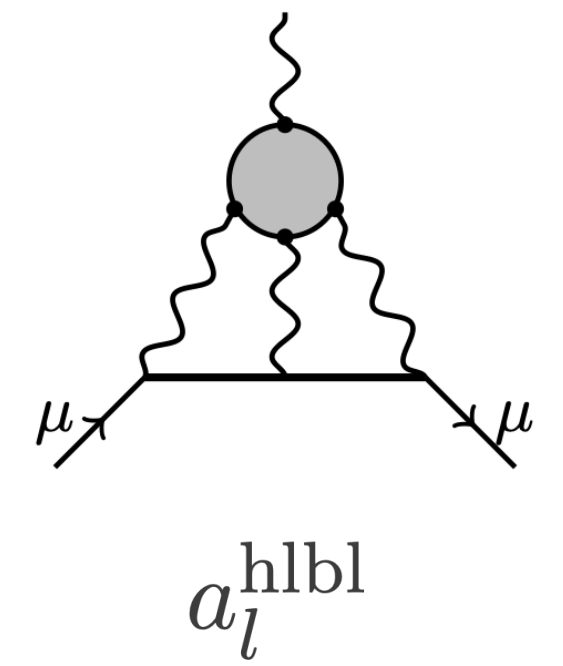
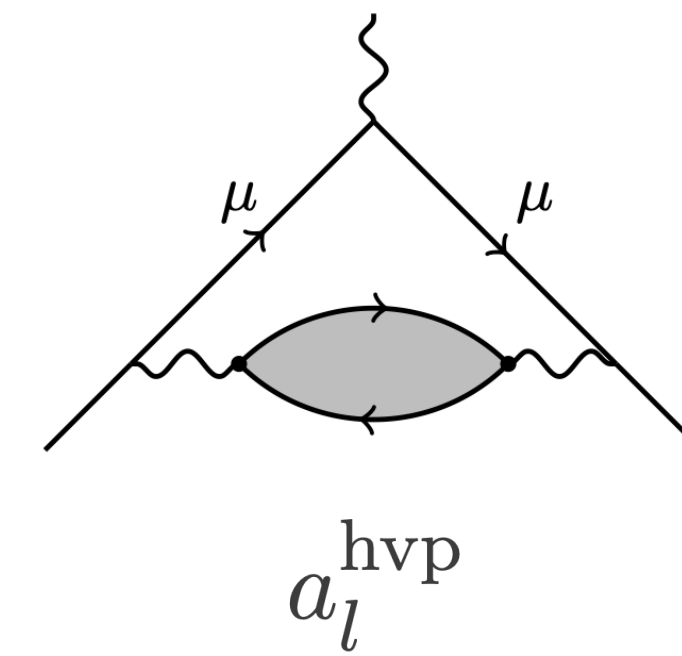
[Aoyama et al., 2006.04822](#)

The situation is now more complicated...

[Boccaletti et al. \[BMW\], 2407.10913](#)

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D.Djukanovic et al. [Mainz/CLS], 2411.07969

Conclusions

- Flavour physics offers unique opportunities for indirect searches of New Physics
- Lattice QCD is at a mature stage on many flavour observables and is now in the precision era:
towards physical pion masses, QED & isospin-breaking effects, physical b quarks, ...
- Progress expected on various flavour observables in next years
Maybe some of the tensions will be clarified?
- Developments of new techniques & algorithmic advances make it possible to study long-distance observables considered before unaccessible
- The muon $g-2$ effort teaches us that the lattice calculations can get precise impactful results.
What will be the next "g-2"?

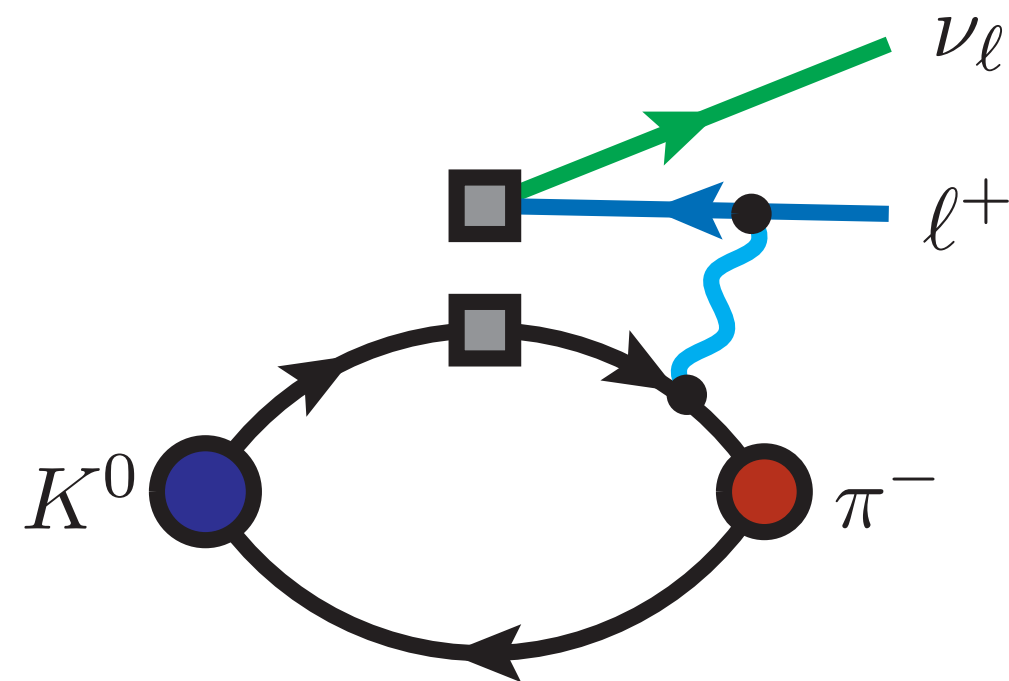
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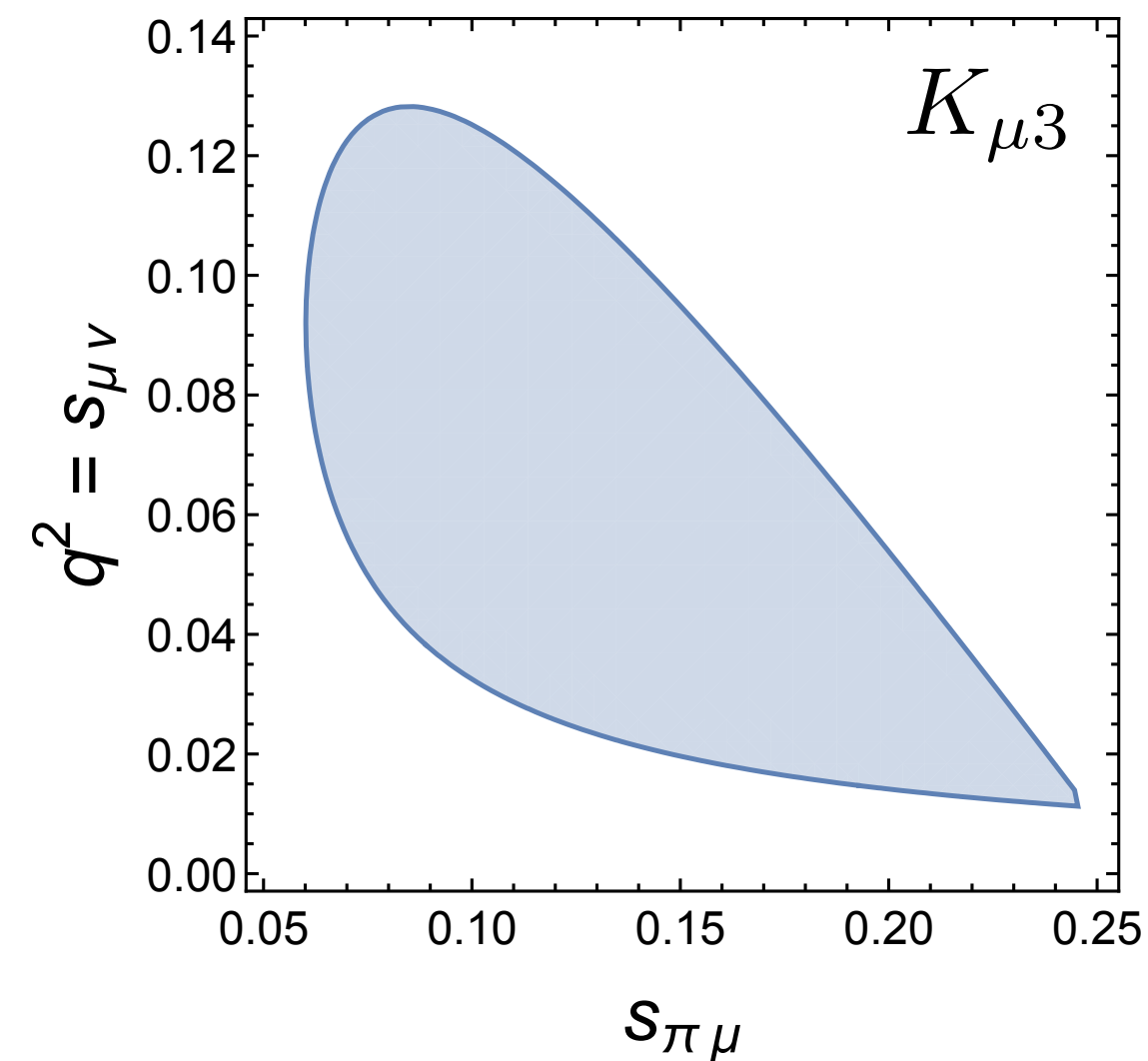
Semileptonic kaon decays



To go beyond current precision, we need to include **isospin-breaking effects** computed from first principles lattice QCD+QED.

Significant additional **difficulties** compared to leptonic decays:

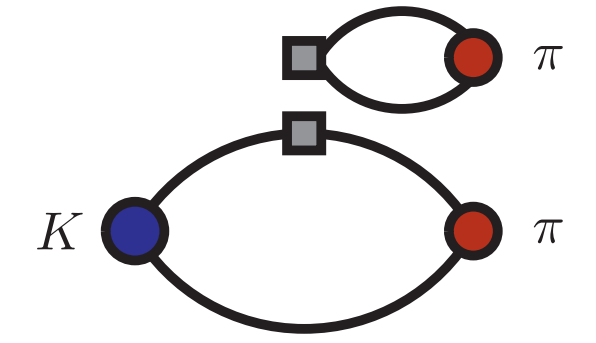
- integration over **three-body phase-space**
- problems of **analytical continuation** from Euclidean to Minkowski when intermediate on shell $\pi\text{-}\ell$ states are lighter than external ones



Proper **finite-volume QED formalism** is still missing, but solutions are under study by different groups.

Recent QED_∞ proposal: [N.Christ et al., PRD 108 \(2023\)](#) & [PoS LATTICE2023 \(2024\) 266](#)

Direct CP violation in $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$



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)

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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] V.Cirigliano et al.,
[Christ, PoS LATTICE2021 (2022) 312] JHEP 02 (2020)
- (~12%) Use of single lattice spacing to compute $I=0$ amplitude
 - Repeat calculation with multiple, finer lattice spacings: **my current focus**

- Intense work by RBC-UKQCD to reduce ~12% error due single lattice spacing (C.Kelly @Lattice2024)
+ parallel ongoing project using different computational approach (M.Tomii @Lattice2024)
- **IB correction will soon become relevant!** (but very tricky to compute on the lattice)
Usually $O(1\%)$, but the " $\Delta I = 1/2$ rule" can give a ~20x enhancement in ϵ'/ϵ .

Indirect CP violation in kaon mixing

$$\epsilon = e^{i\phi_\epsilon} \sin(\phi_\epsilon) \left(\frac{-\text{Im}M_{\bar{0}0}}{\Delta M_K} + \frac{\text{Im}(A_0)}{\text{Re}(A_0)} \right)$$

$$\tan(\phi_\epsilon) = \frac{\Delta M_K}{\Delta\Gamma_K/2}$$

$$\Delta\Gamma_K = \Gamma_{K_S} - \Gamma_{K_L}$$

$$\Delta M_K = M_{K_L} - M_{K_S}$$

The quantity $M_{\bar{0}0}$ splits into a **short** and **long** distance parts

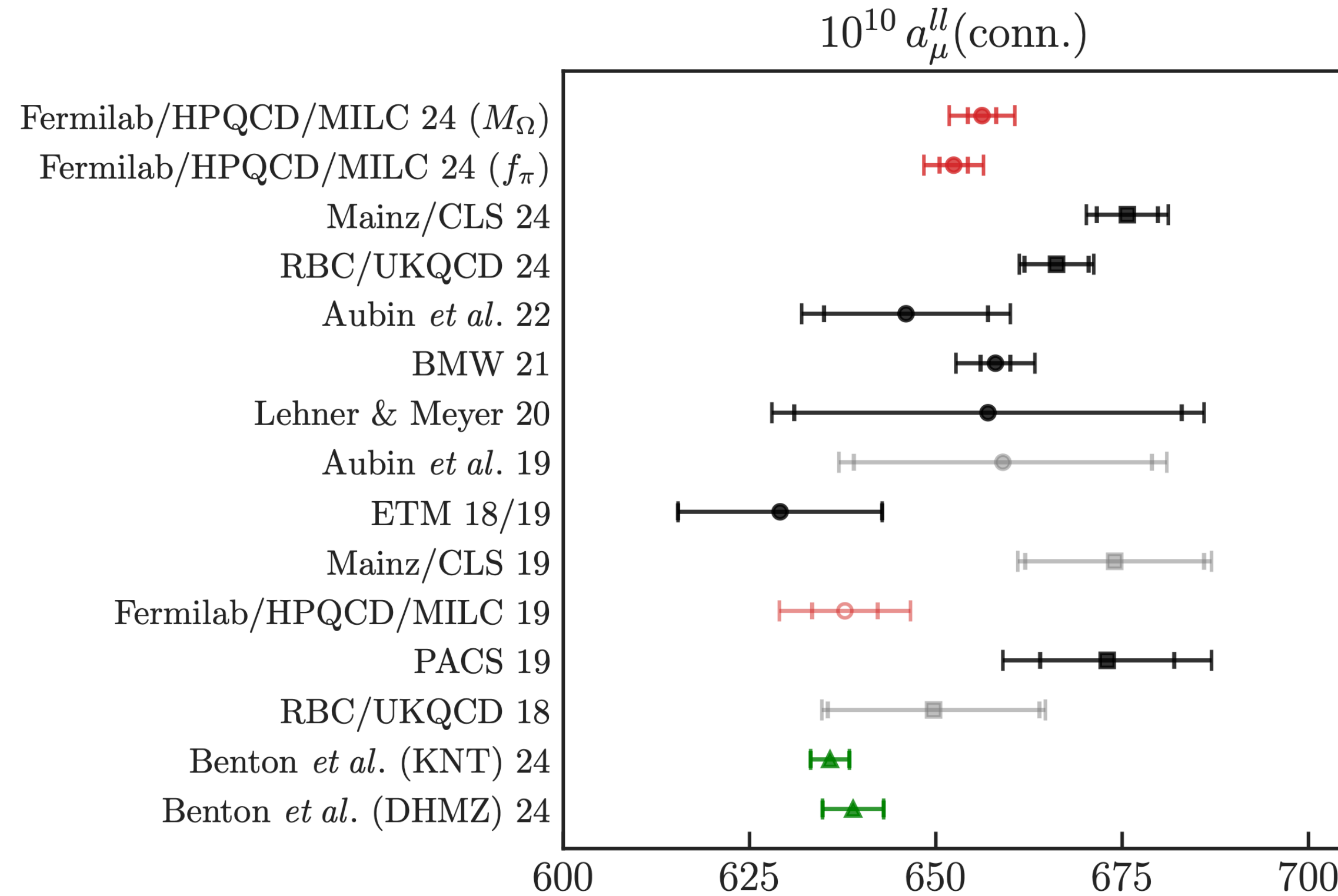
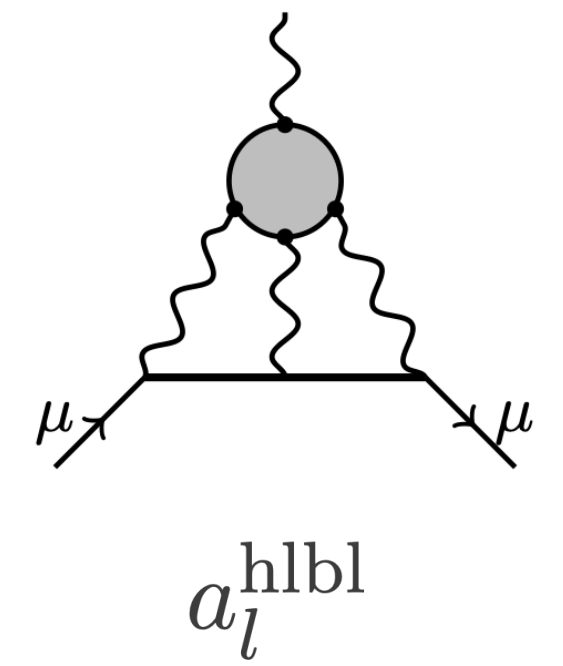
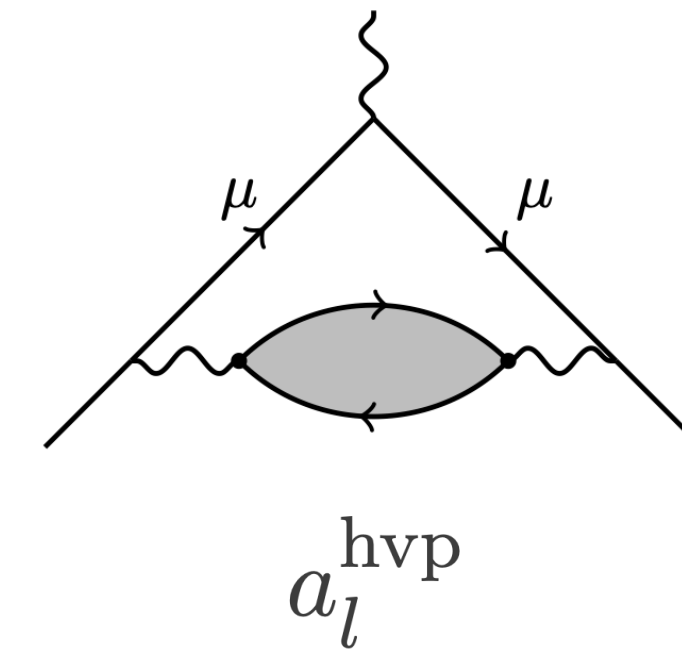
$$\begin{aligned} M_{\bar{0}0} &= \langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K^0 \rangle = \langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K^0 \rangle_{\text{SD}} + \langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K^0 \rangle_{\text{LD}} \\ &= \langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w^{\Delta S=2} | K^0 \rangle + \mathcal{P} \sum_n \frac{\langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w^{\Delta S=1} | n \rangle \langle n | \mathcal{H}_w^{\Delta S=1} | K^0 \rangle}{M_K - E_n} \end{aligned}$$

On the **lattice**, we can compute both:

- $\langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K^0 \rangle_{\text{SD}}$ e.g. **P.A.Boyle et al. PRD 110 (2024)** ← dominating contribution
- $\langle \bar{K}^0 | \mathcal{H}_w | K^0 \rangle_{\text{LD}}$ **Z.Bai et al. PRD 109 (2024)**

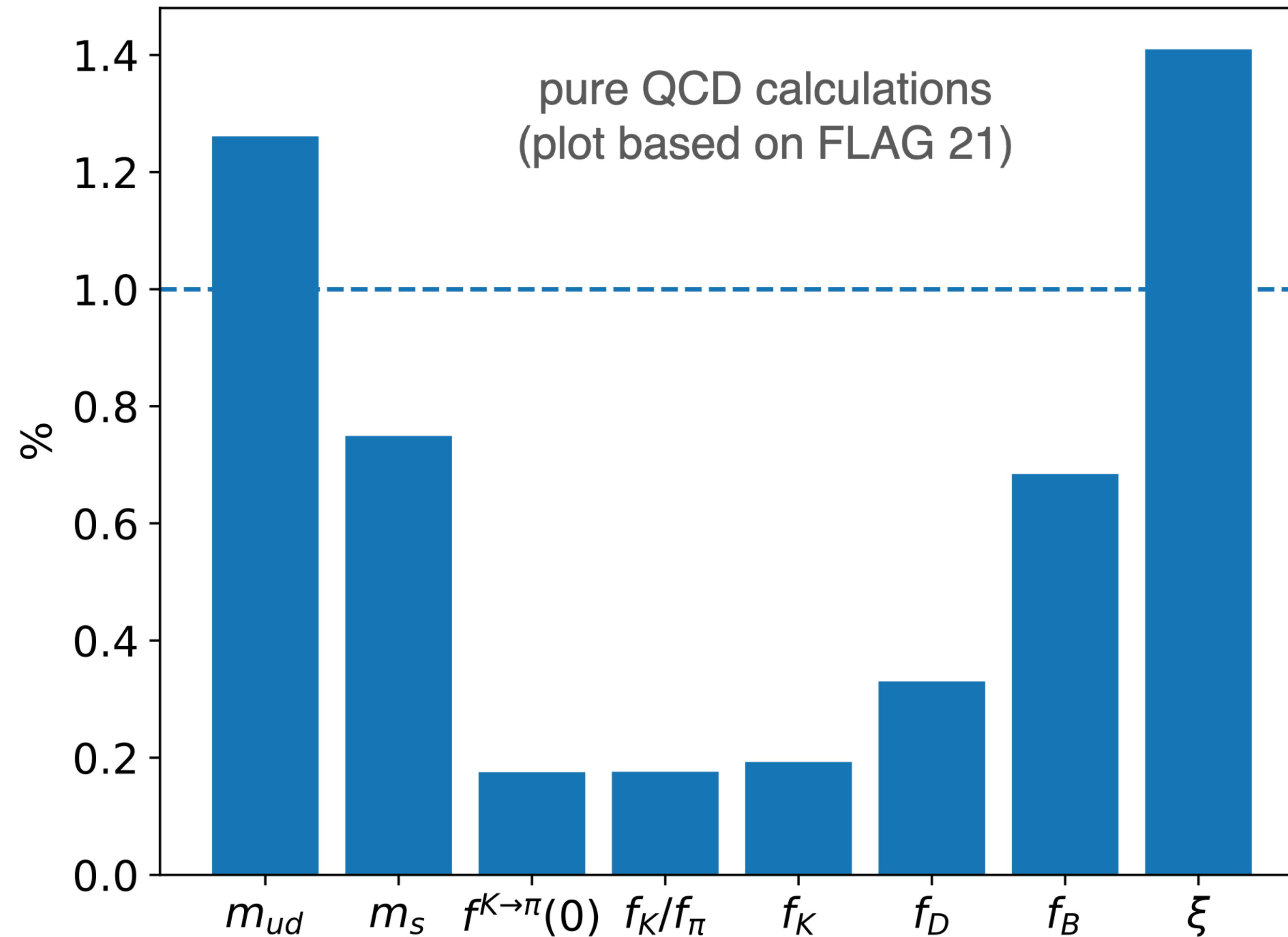
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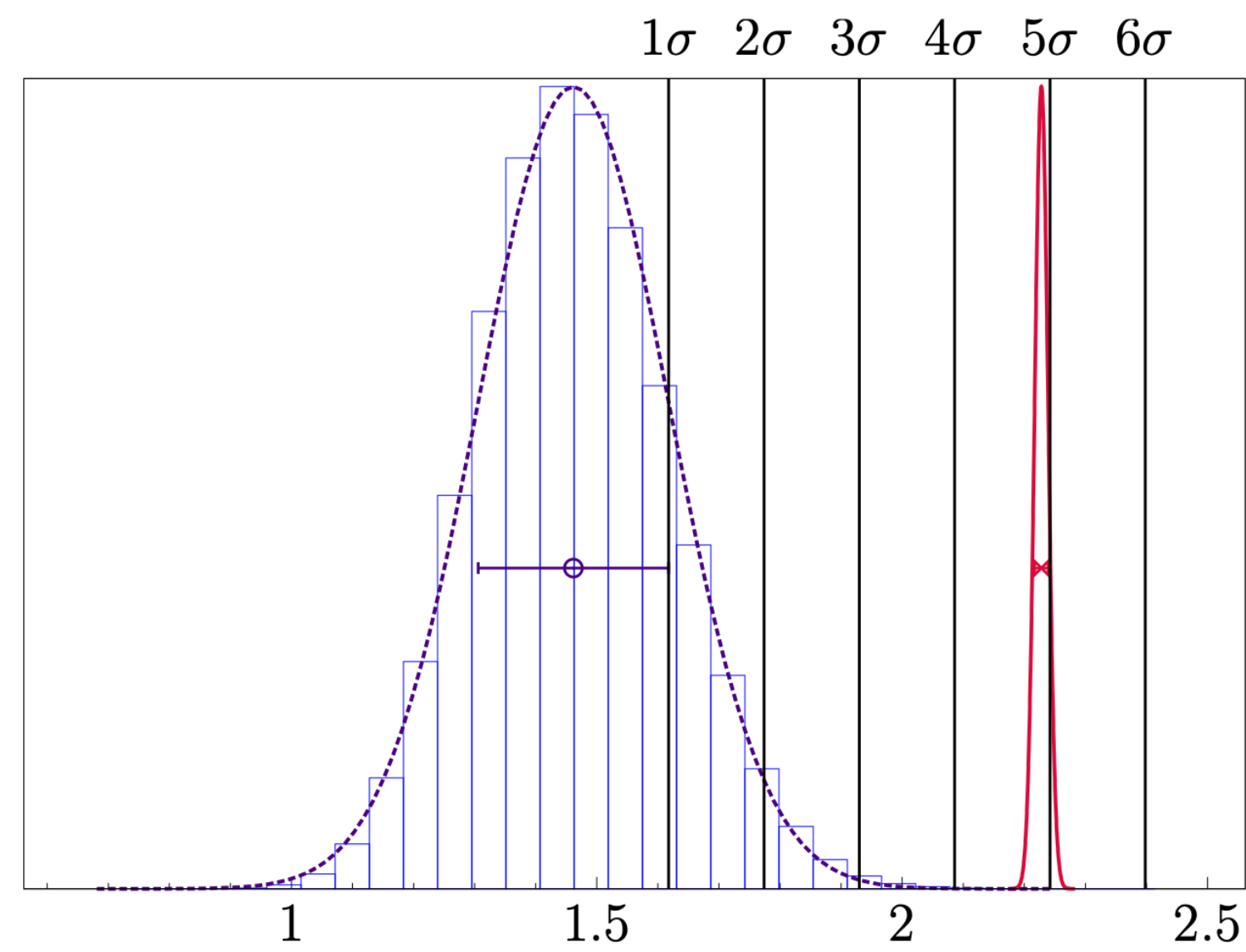
A. Bazavov *et al.* [Fermilab/HPQCD/MILC], 2412.18491

Current accuracy on some QCD quantities

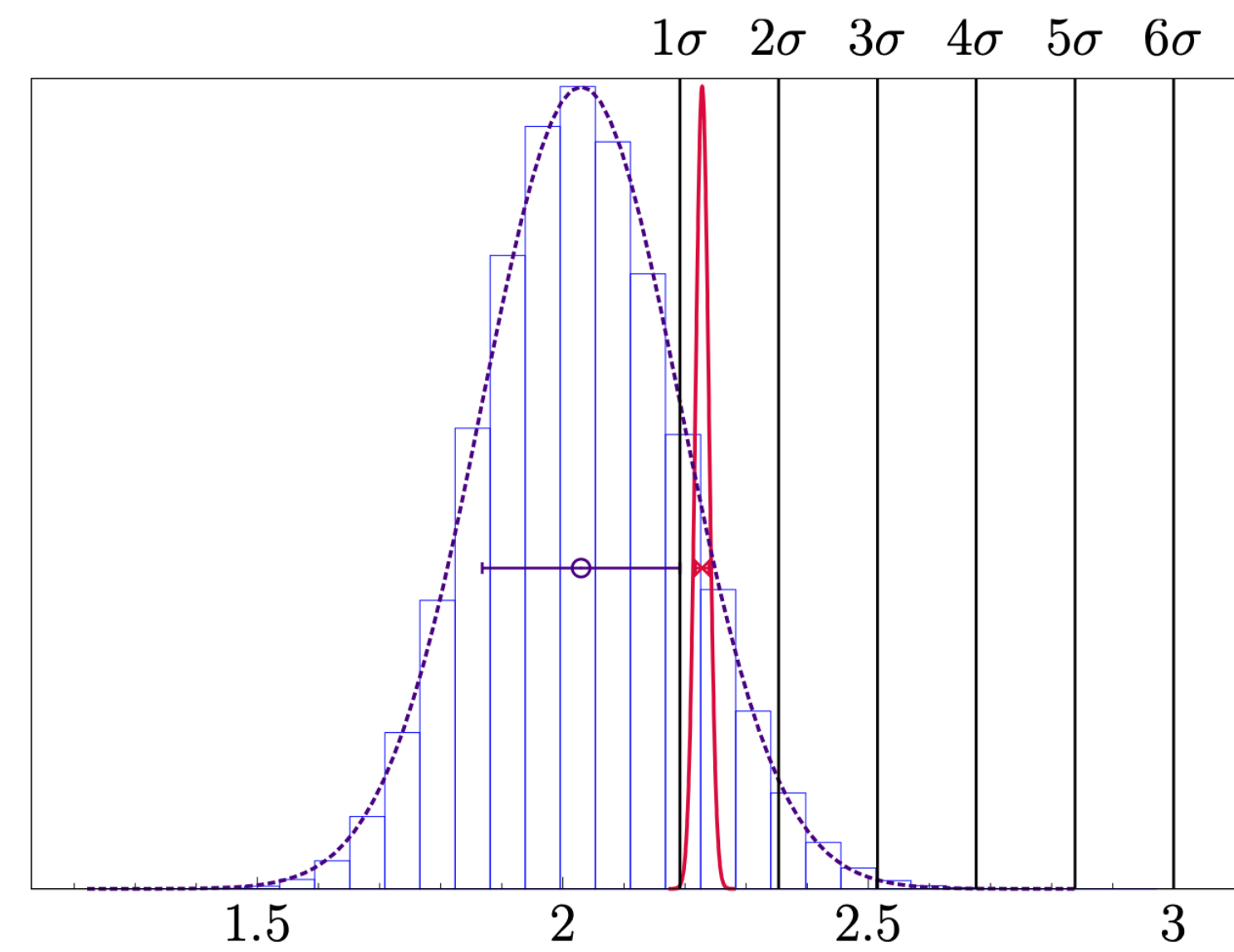


plot by A.Jüttner

ϵ_K and $|V_{cb}|$ puzzle



(a) Exclusive $|V_{cb}|$ (FNAL/MILC-22, BGL)



(b) Inclusive $|V_{cb}|$ (HFLAV-23, 1S scheme)