



# Nucleon Structure from Lattice QCD

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# Outline

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- **(Very) Brief introduction to Lattice QCD**
  - **Sources of systematic error**
- **Nucleon Axial Charge**
- **Nucleon Tensor Charge**
- **Electromagnetic Form Factors**
  - **strangeness + charge symmetry violation**
- **Spin content, including  $\Delta_s$**  [Also see K.-F. Liu (plenary Tue, 8:00)]
- **Won't cover new method from X.Ji [PRL 110, 262002 (2013)]** (plenary Mon, 8:30)

# The Lattice

Ken Wilson (1974)

$$t \rightarrow i\tau$$

Lattice QCD provides a **first principles, systematically improvable** approach for QCD

Discretise space-time with lattice spacing  $a$   
volume  $L^3 \times T$

Quark fields reside on sites  $\psi(x)$

Gauge fields on the links  $U_\mu(x) = e^{-iagA_\mu(x)}$

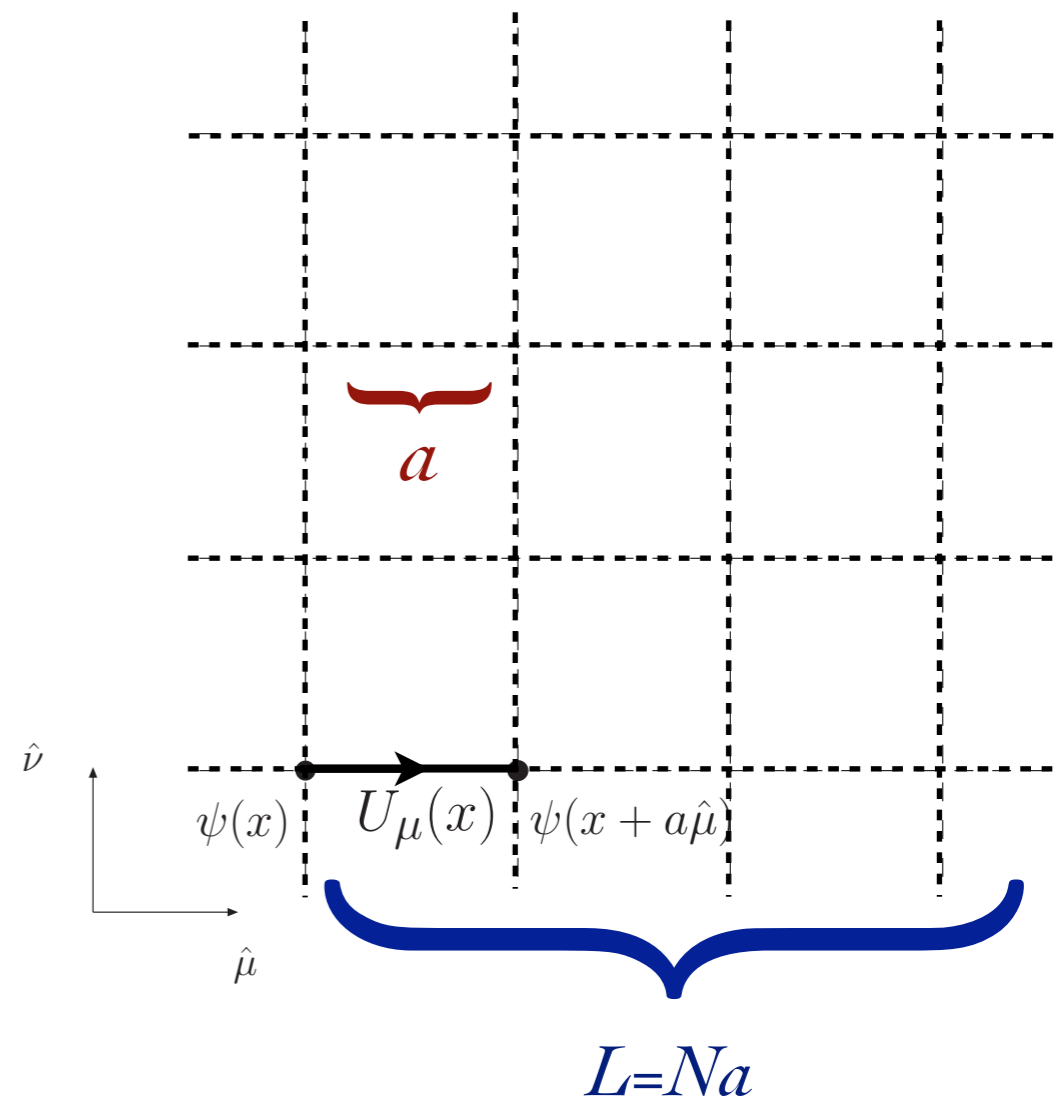
Approximate the full QCD path integral by Monte Carlo methods

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

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle \simeq \frac{1}{N_{\text{conf}}} \sum_i^{N_{\text{conf}}} \mathcal{O}([U^{[i]}])$$

With field configurations  $U_i$  distributed according to  $e^{-S[U]}$

Put it on a supercomputer



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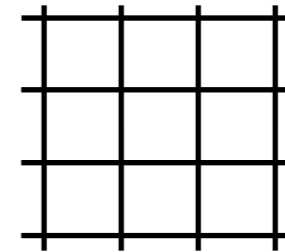
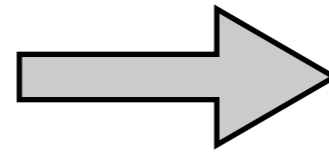
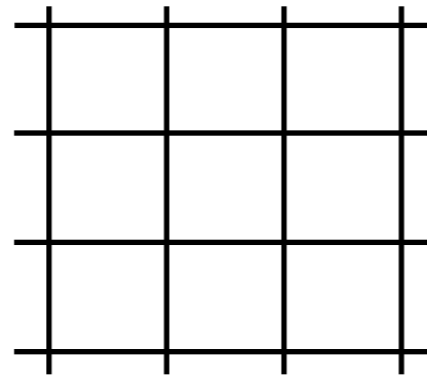
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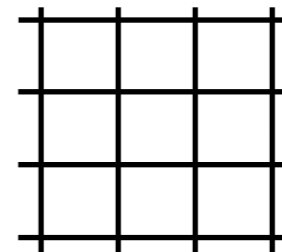
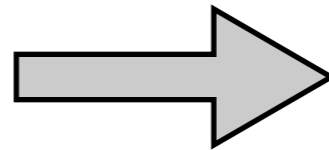
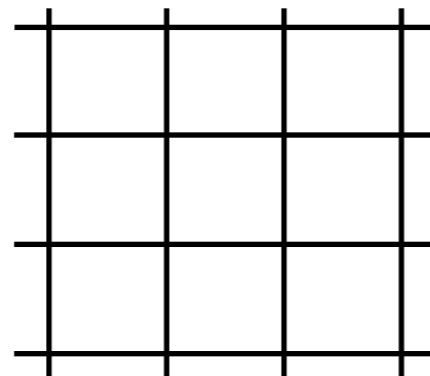
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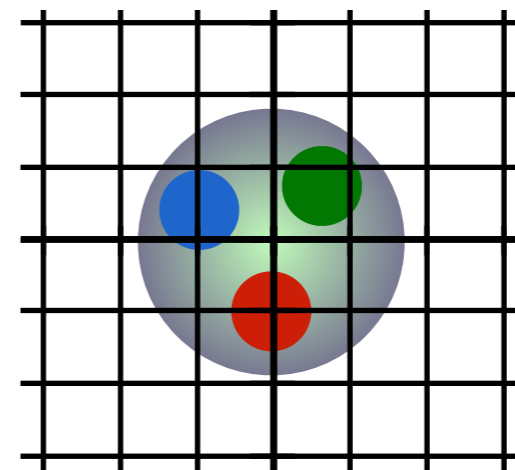
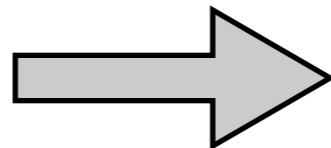
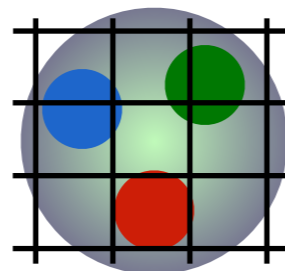
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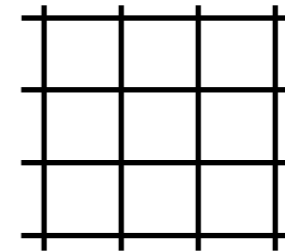
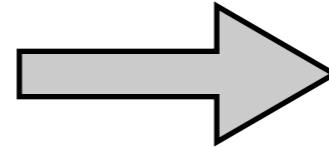
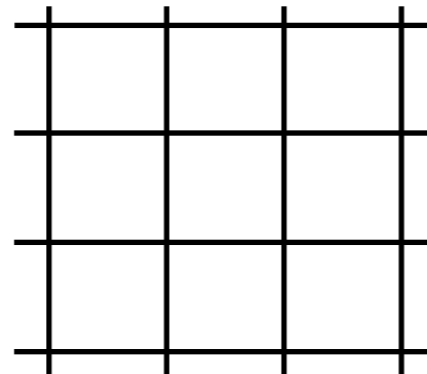
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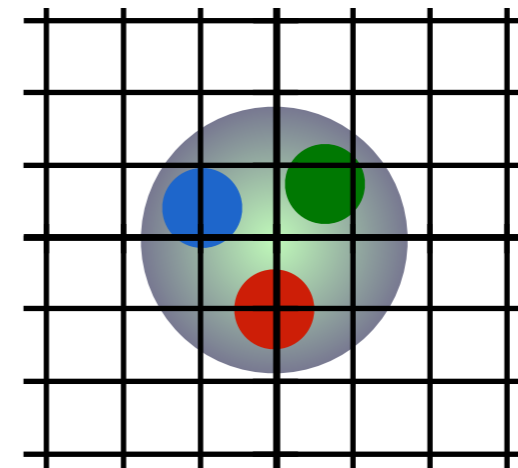
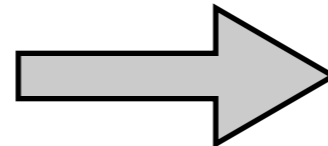
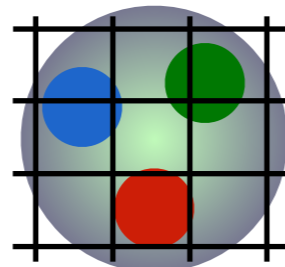
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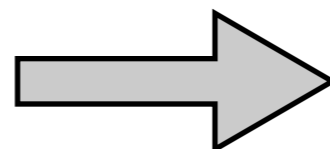


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- **Chiral**

- Chiral perturbation theory

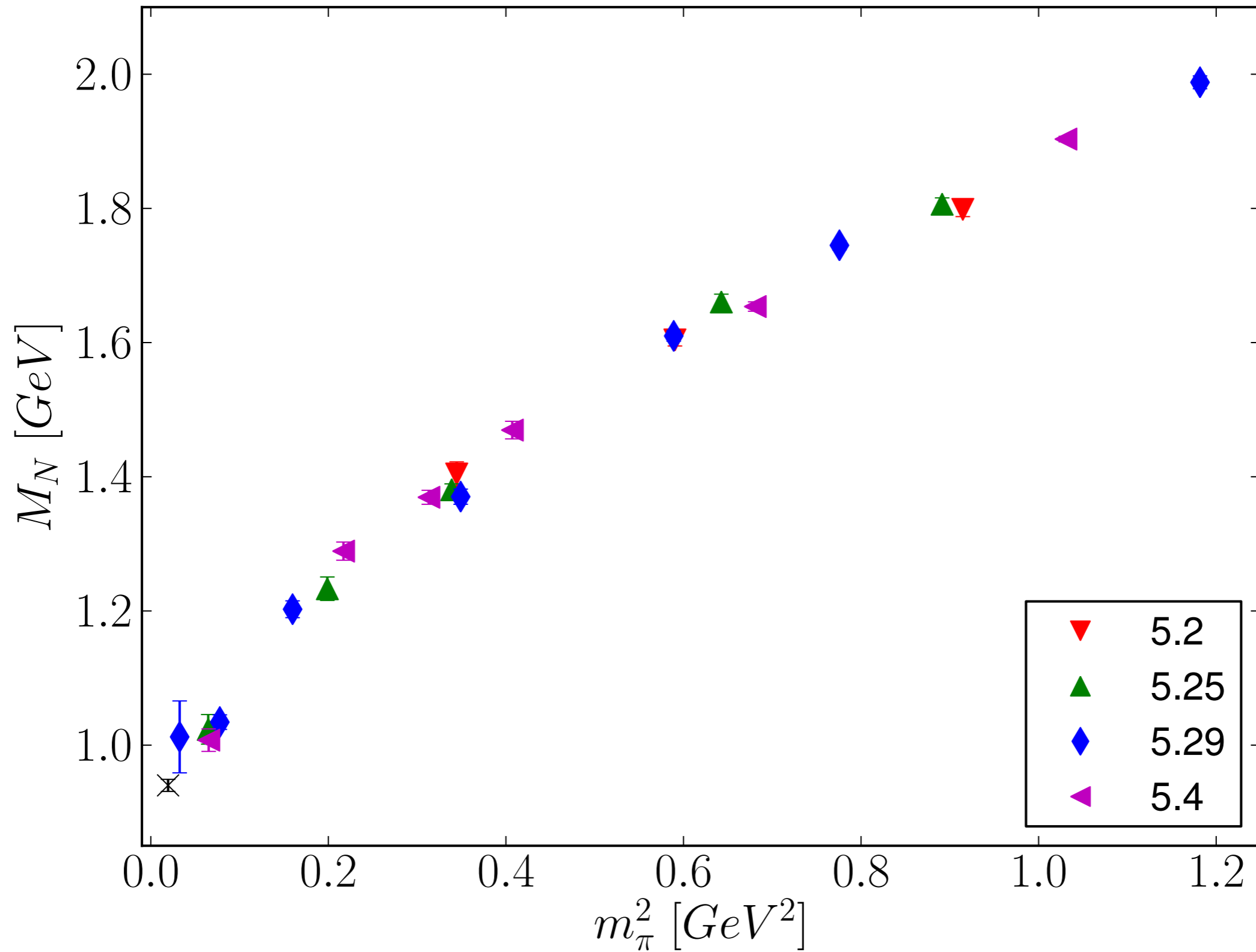
- Simulate at physical quark masses



$$m_\pi \rightarrow 140 \text{ MeV}$$
$$\text{GOR} \implies m_\pi^2 \propto m_q$$

# Quark Mass Dependence

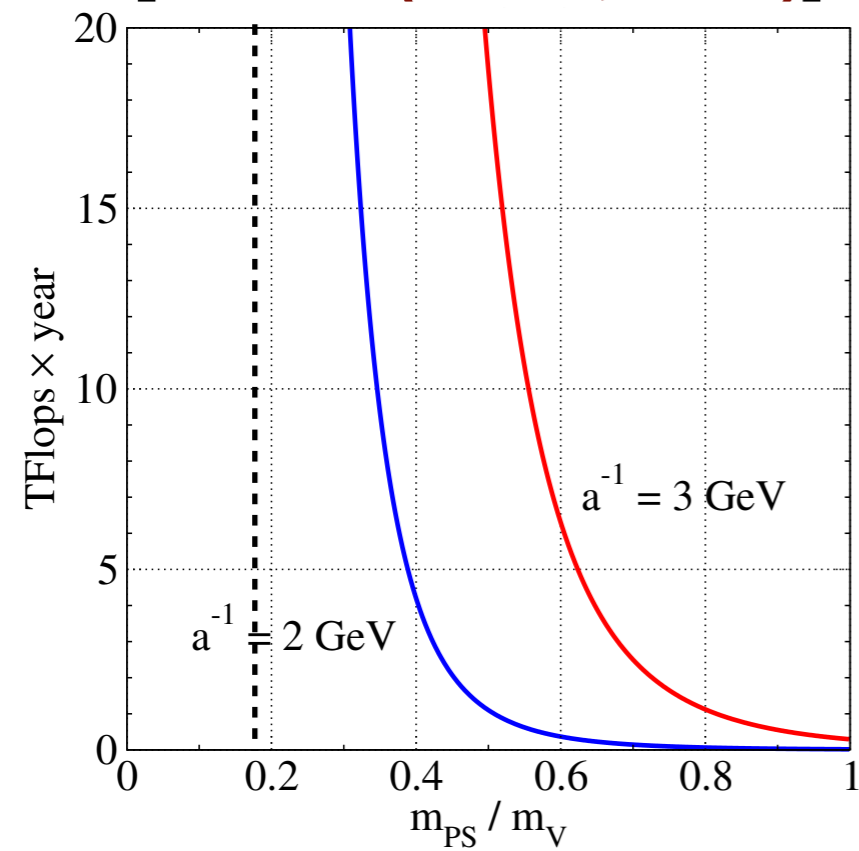
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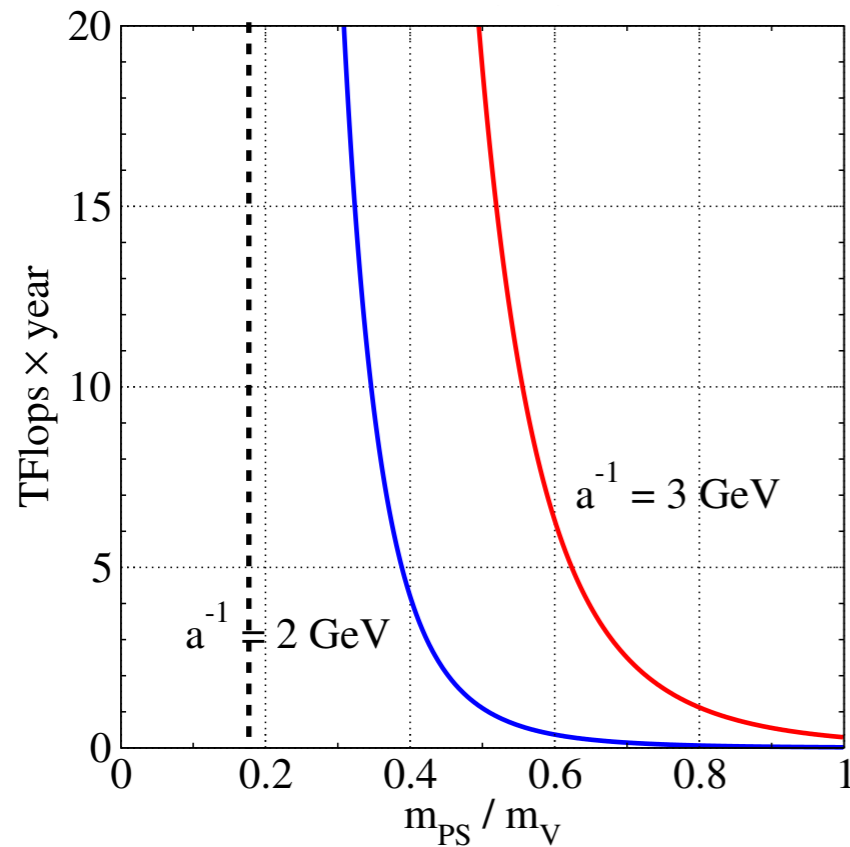




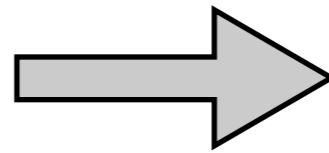
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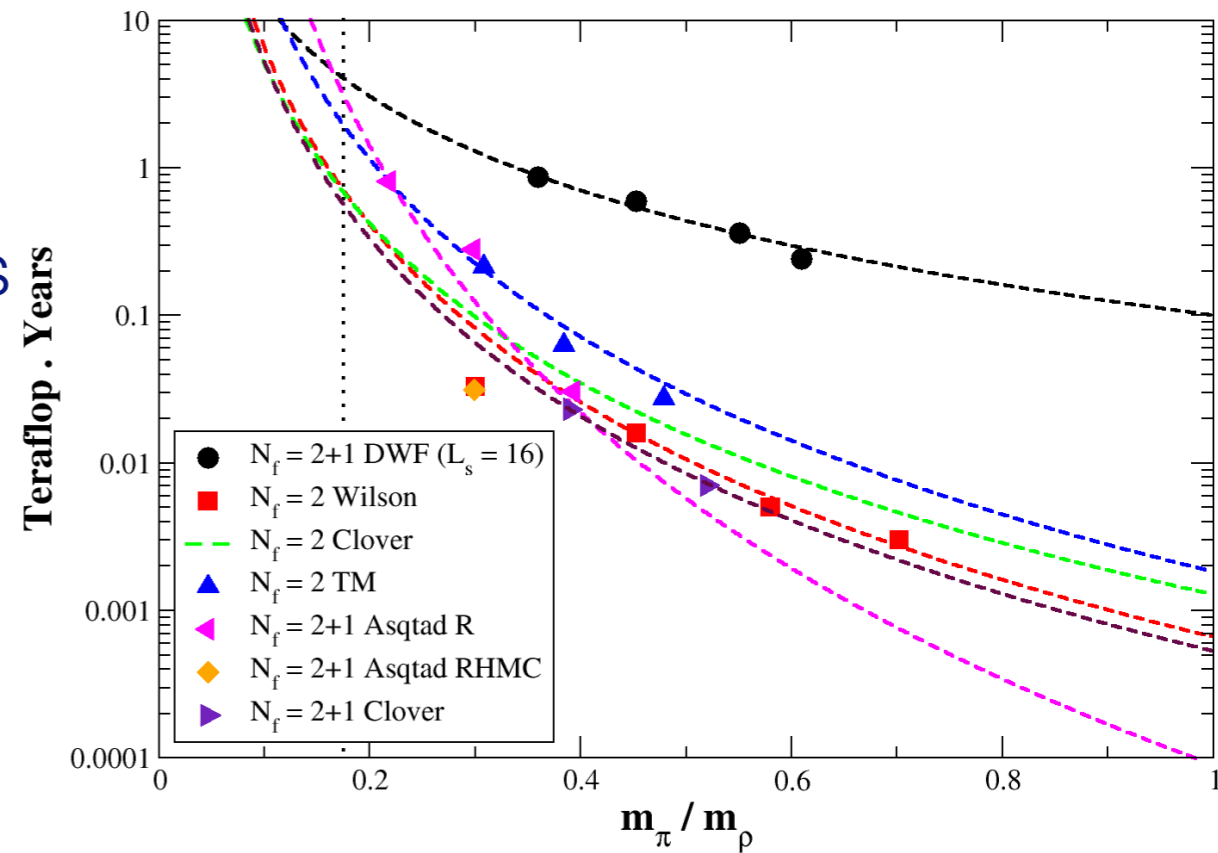
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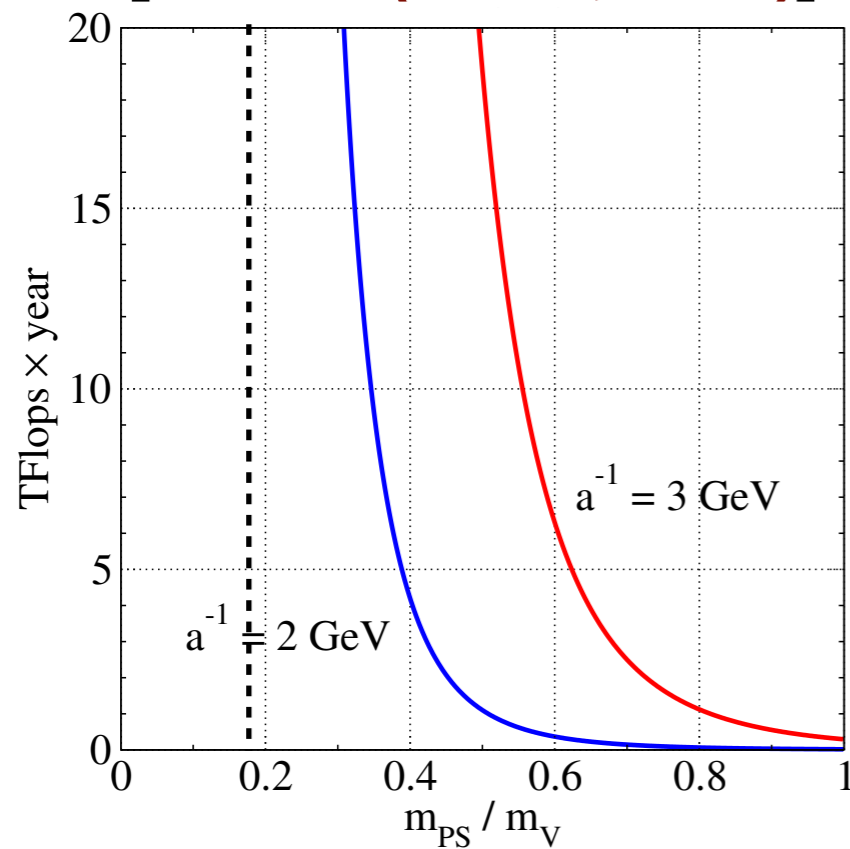
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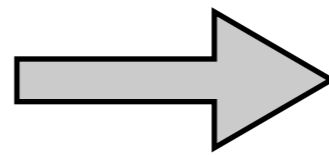
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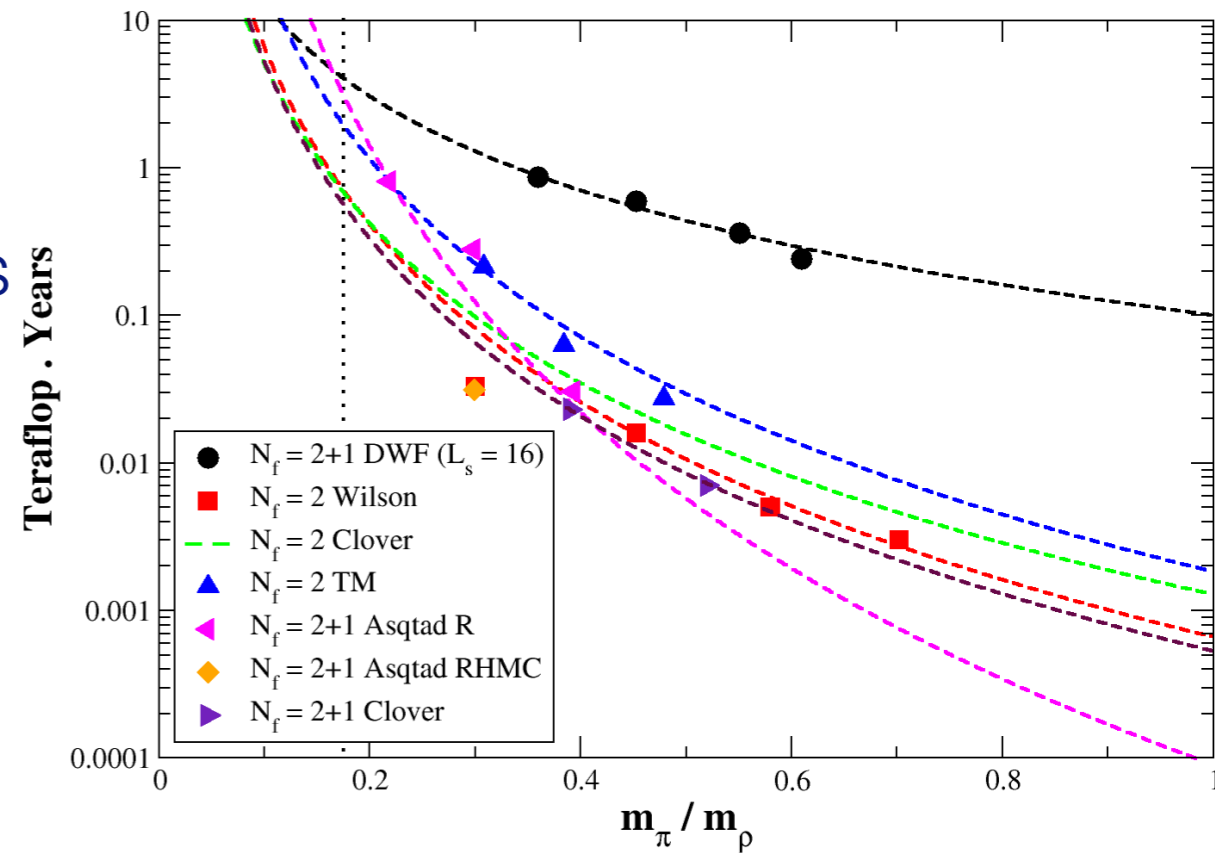
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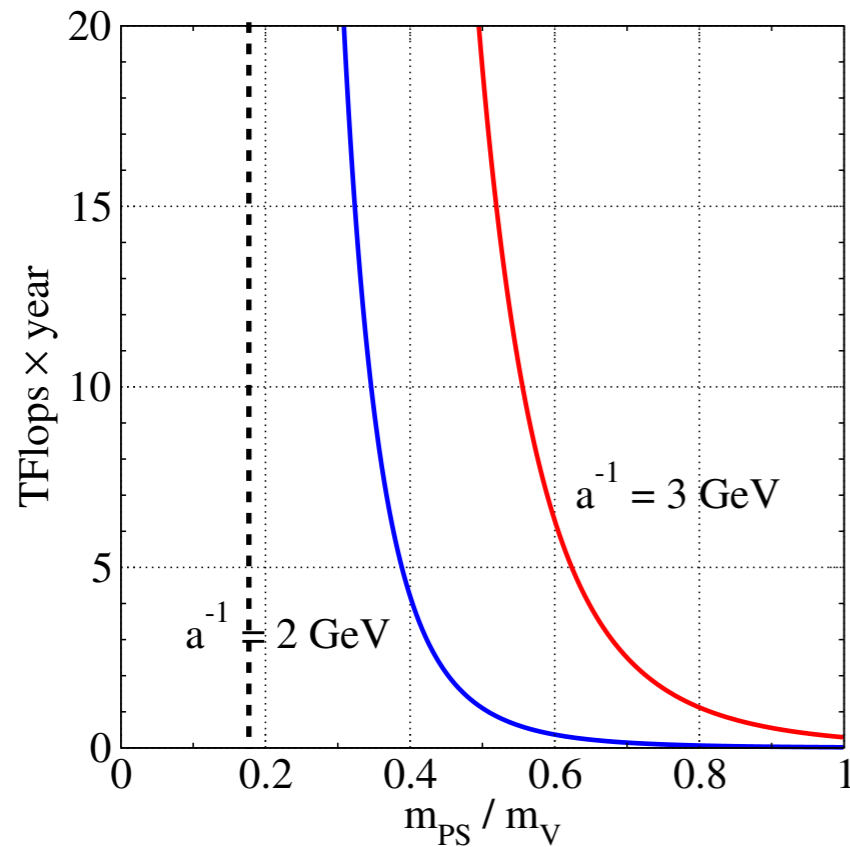


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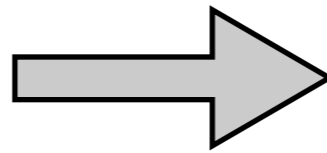
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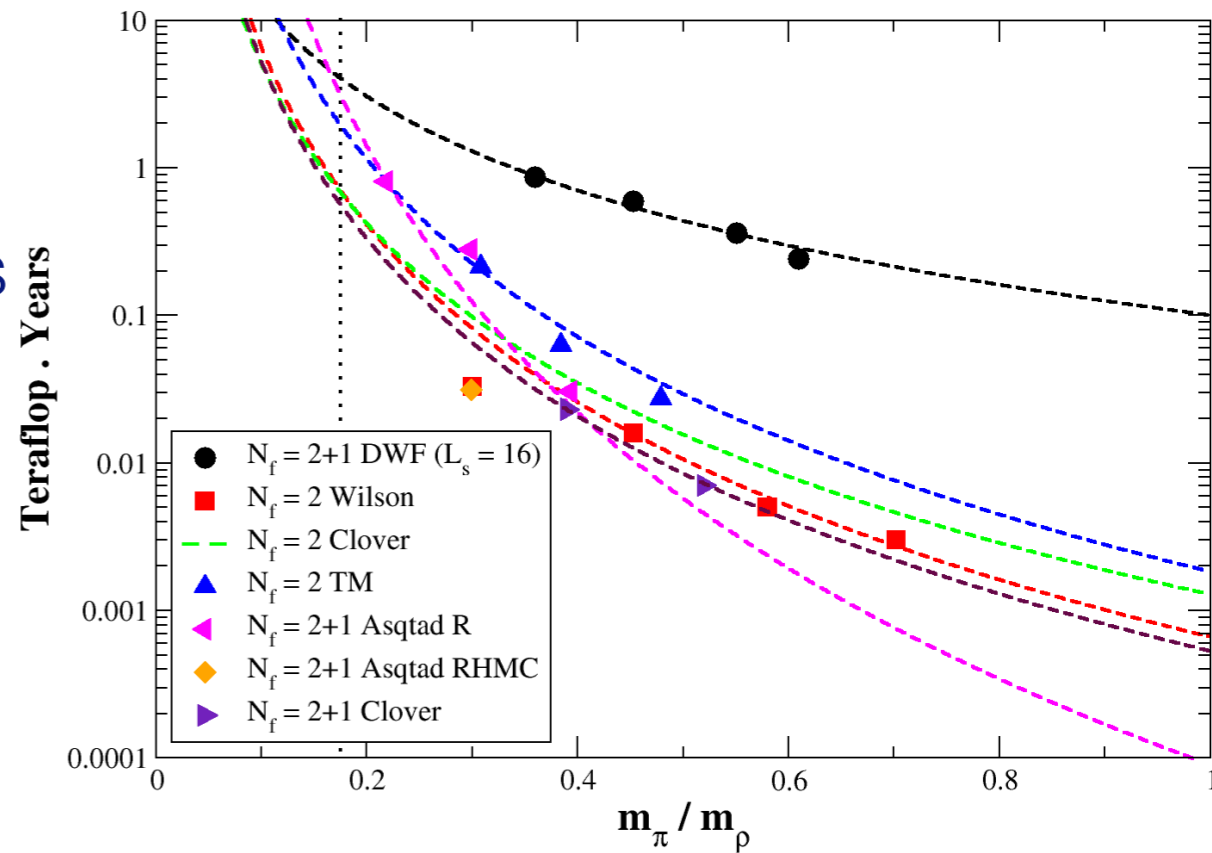
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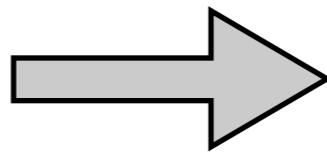
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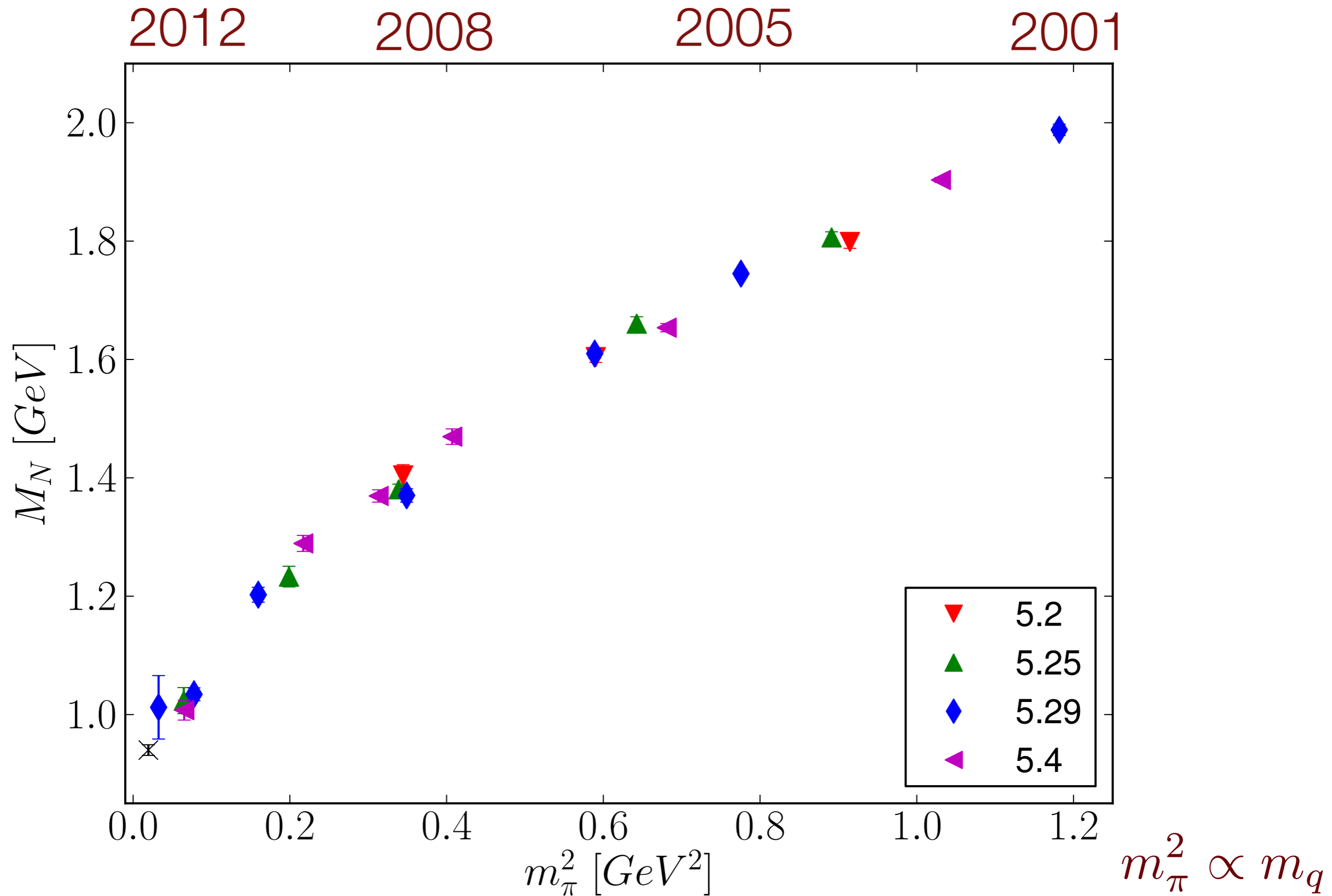
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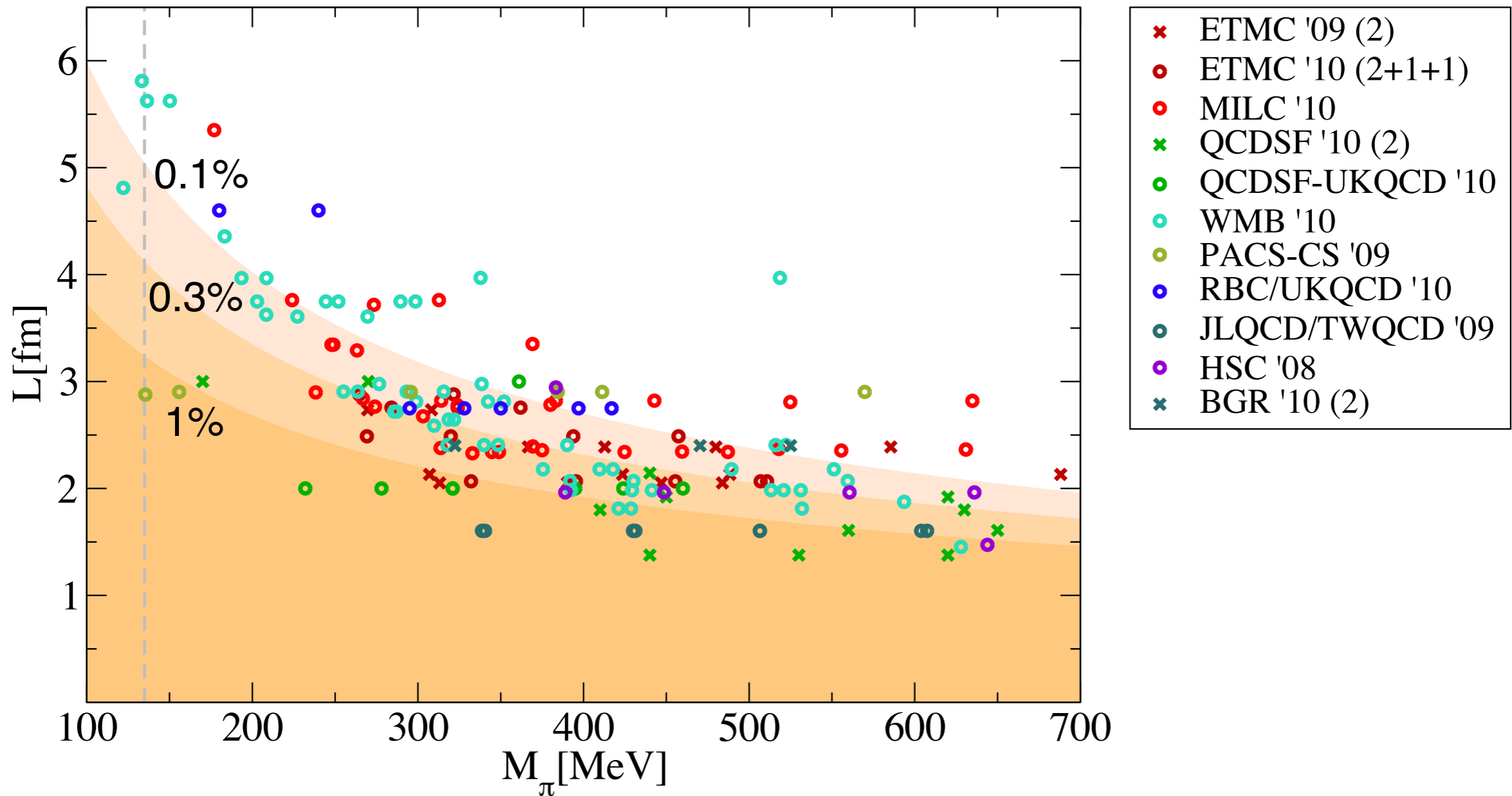
# Real-Time Evolution of Lattice Results

Nucleon Mass



# The Lattice Landscape

[Hoebeling (Lattice 2010) 1102.0410]



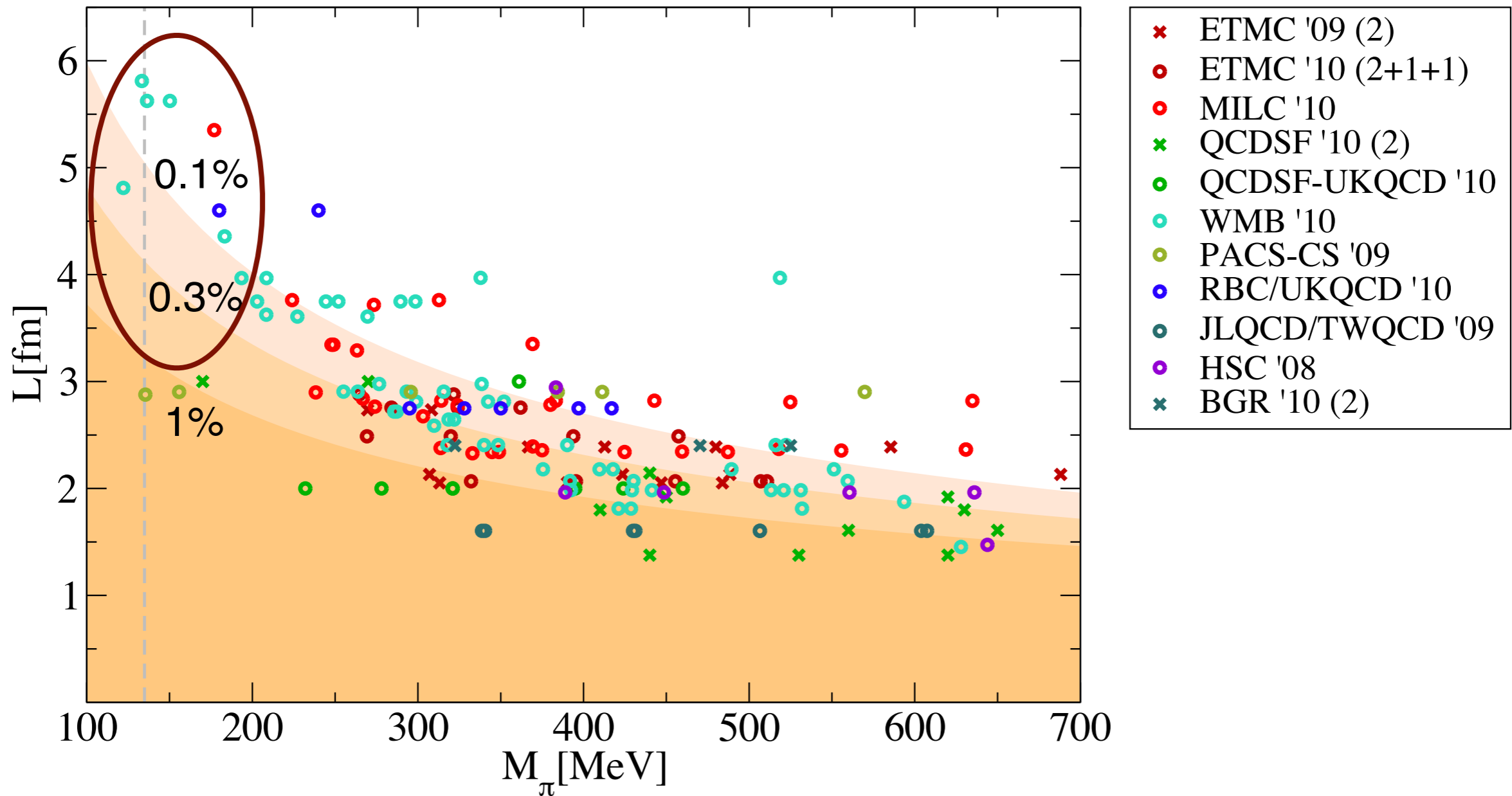
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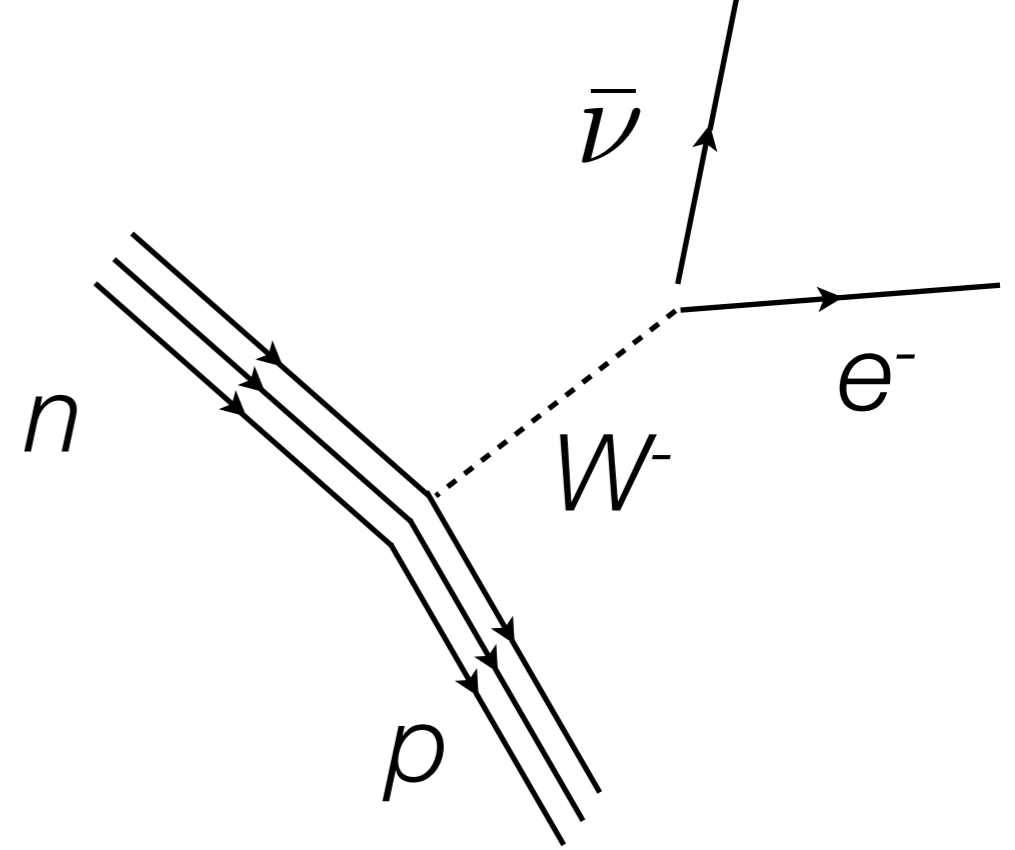
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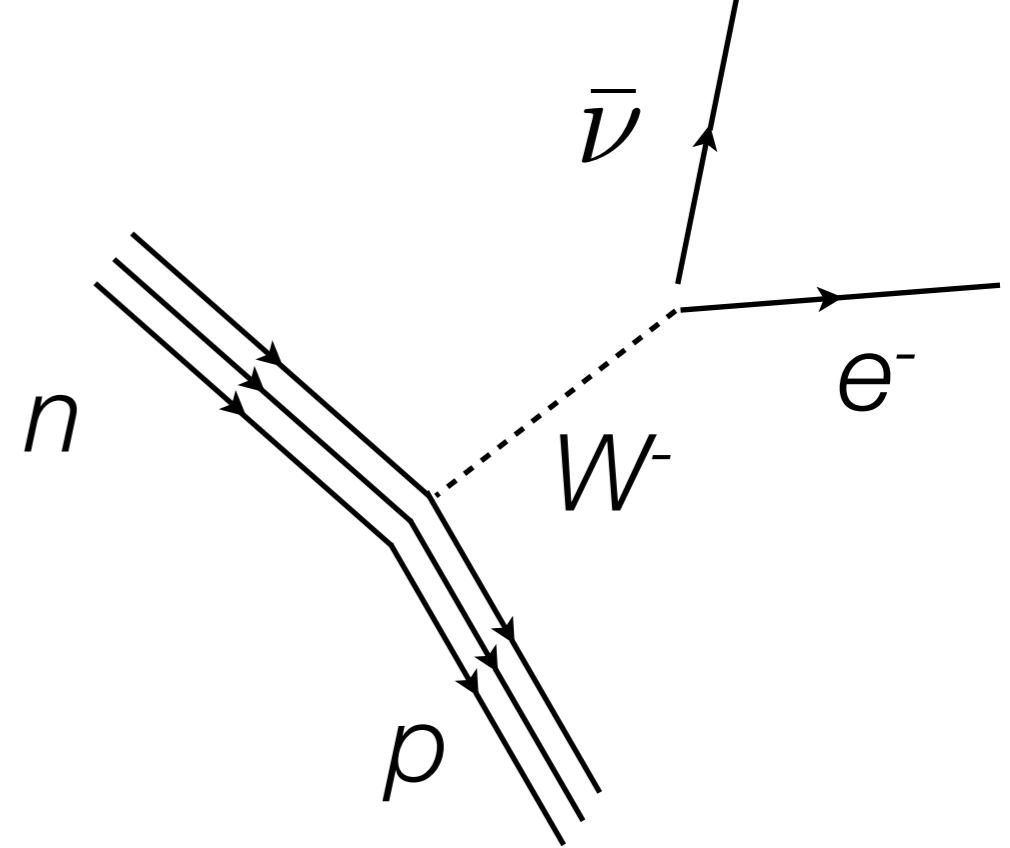
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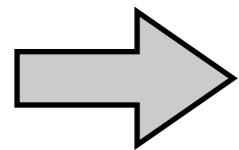
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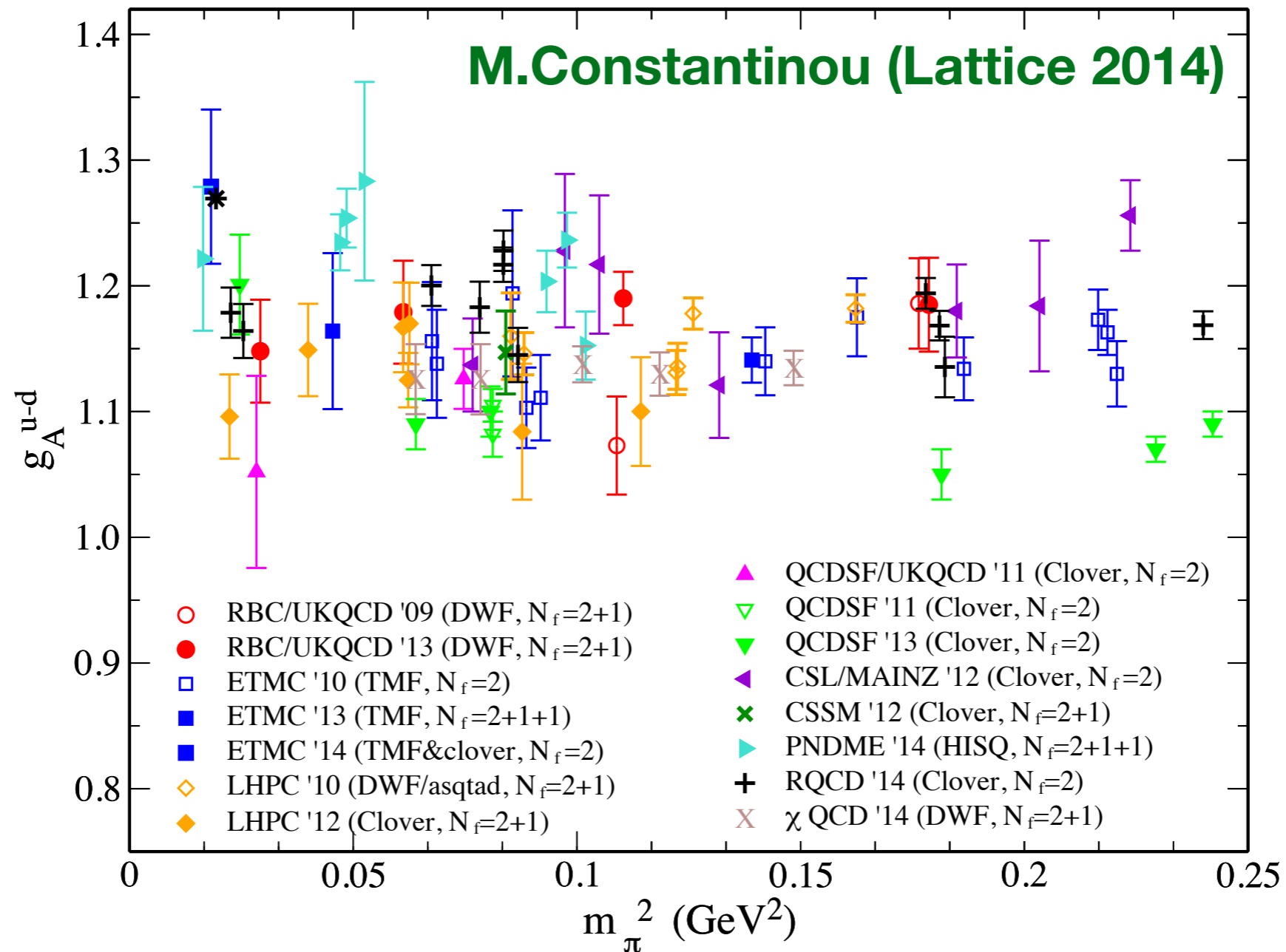
**Relatively simple to compute on the lattice**



**Good benchmark for hadron structure (understanding systematic errors)**



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**Results systematically 10-20% below experiment**

**Large scatter in the results**

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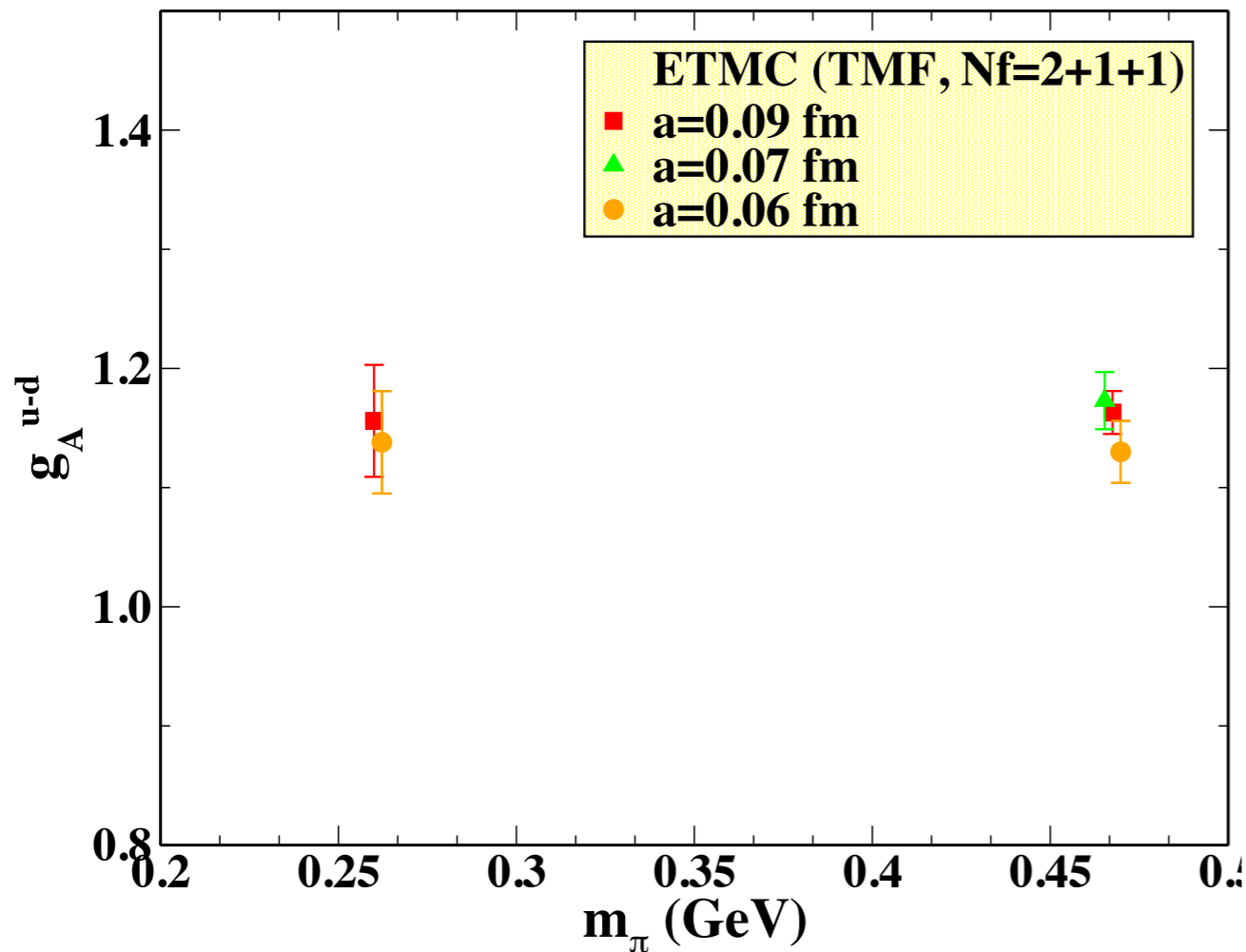
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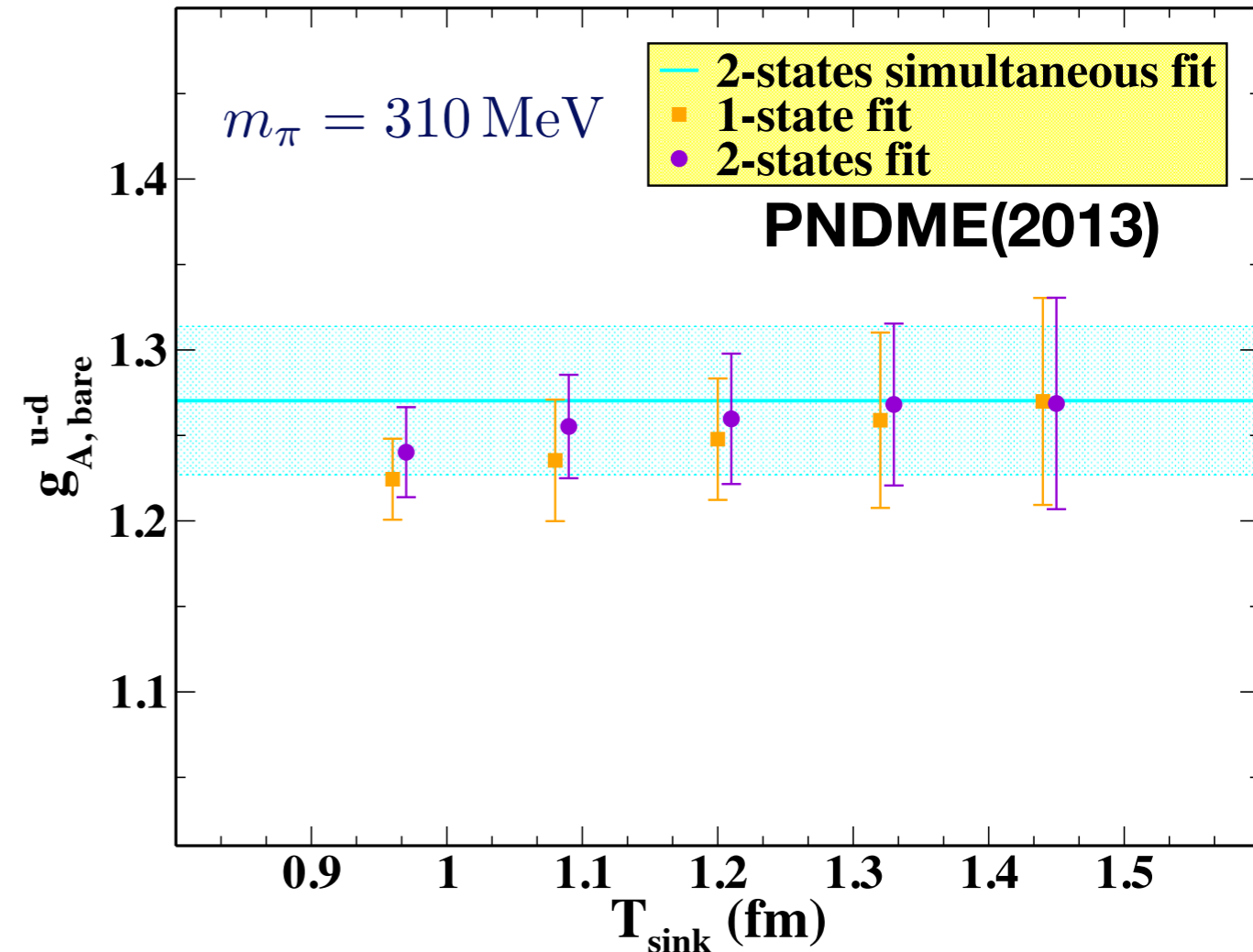


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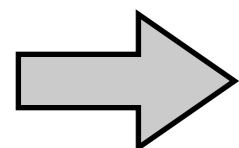


## Excited state contamination



M.Constantinou (Lattice 2014)

Different colours correspond to different lattice spacings



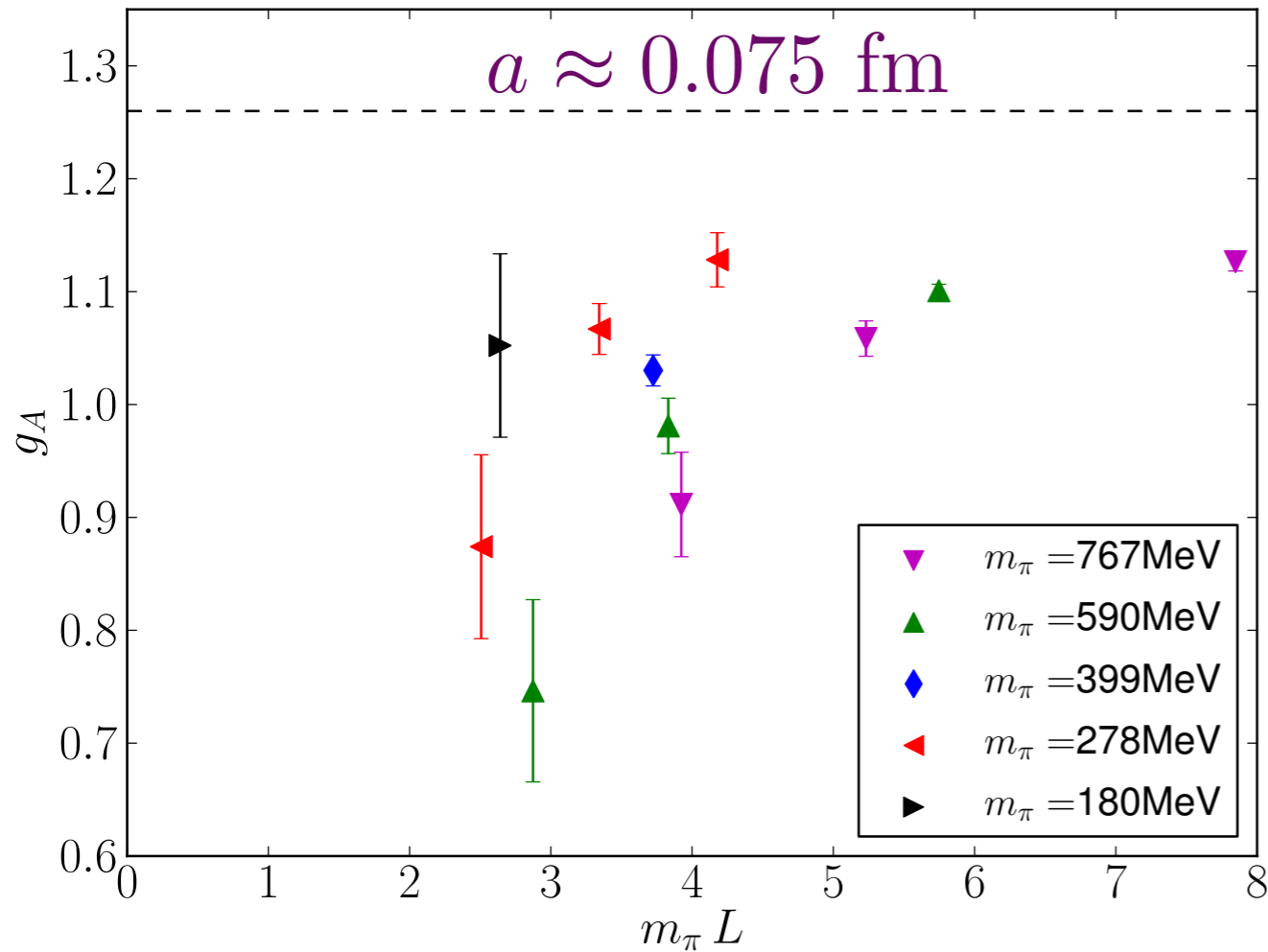
No obvious dependence on  $a$

Varying the location of the sink

Small suppression of  $g_A$  for small times

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## Lattice volume dependence

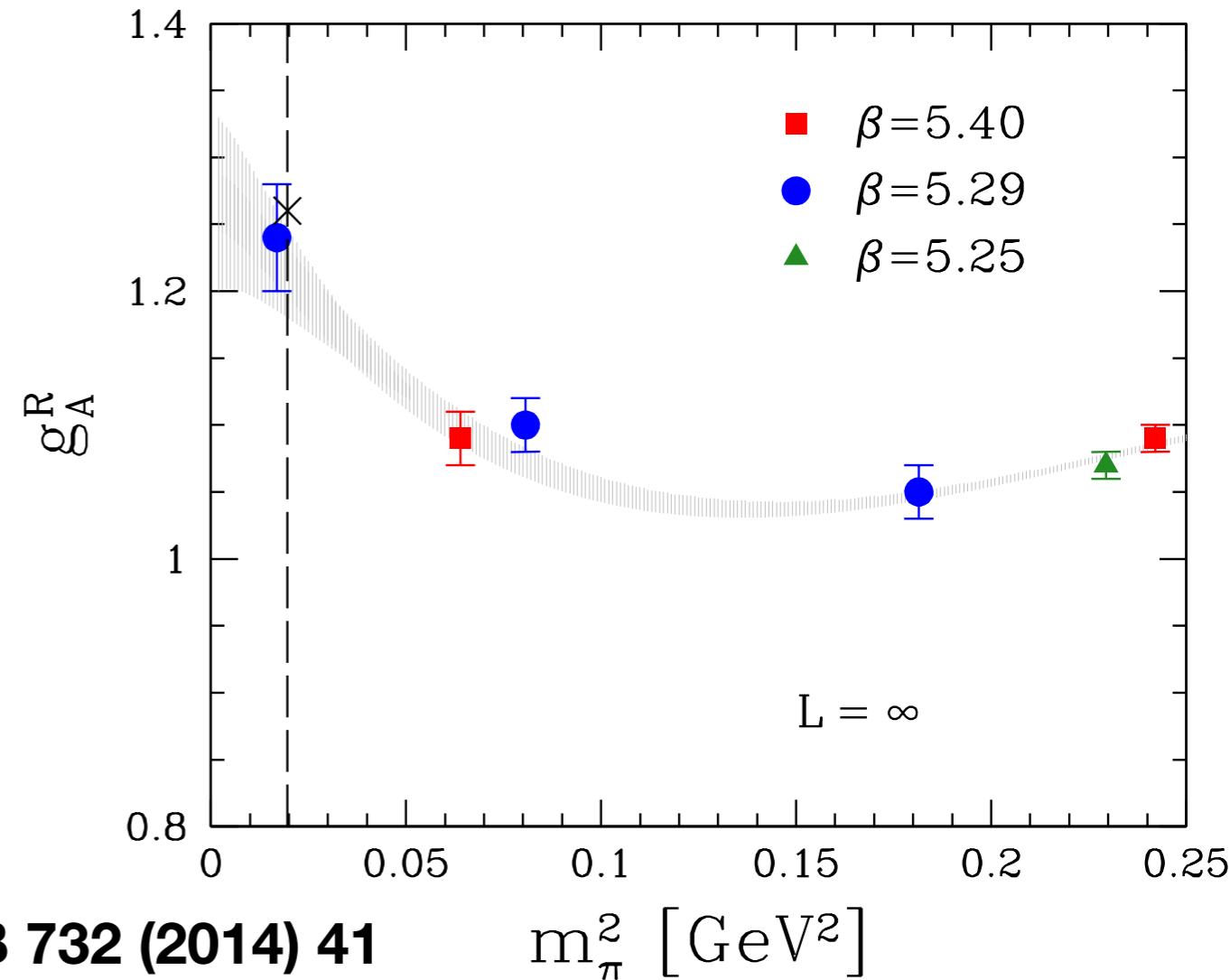


QCDSF: PLB 732 (2014) 41

Substantial finite size effects

$g_A$  suppressed on a finite volume

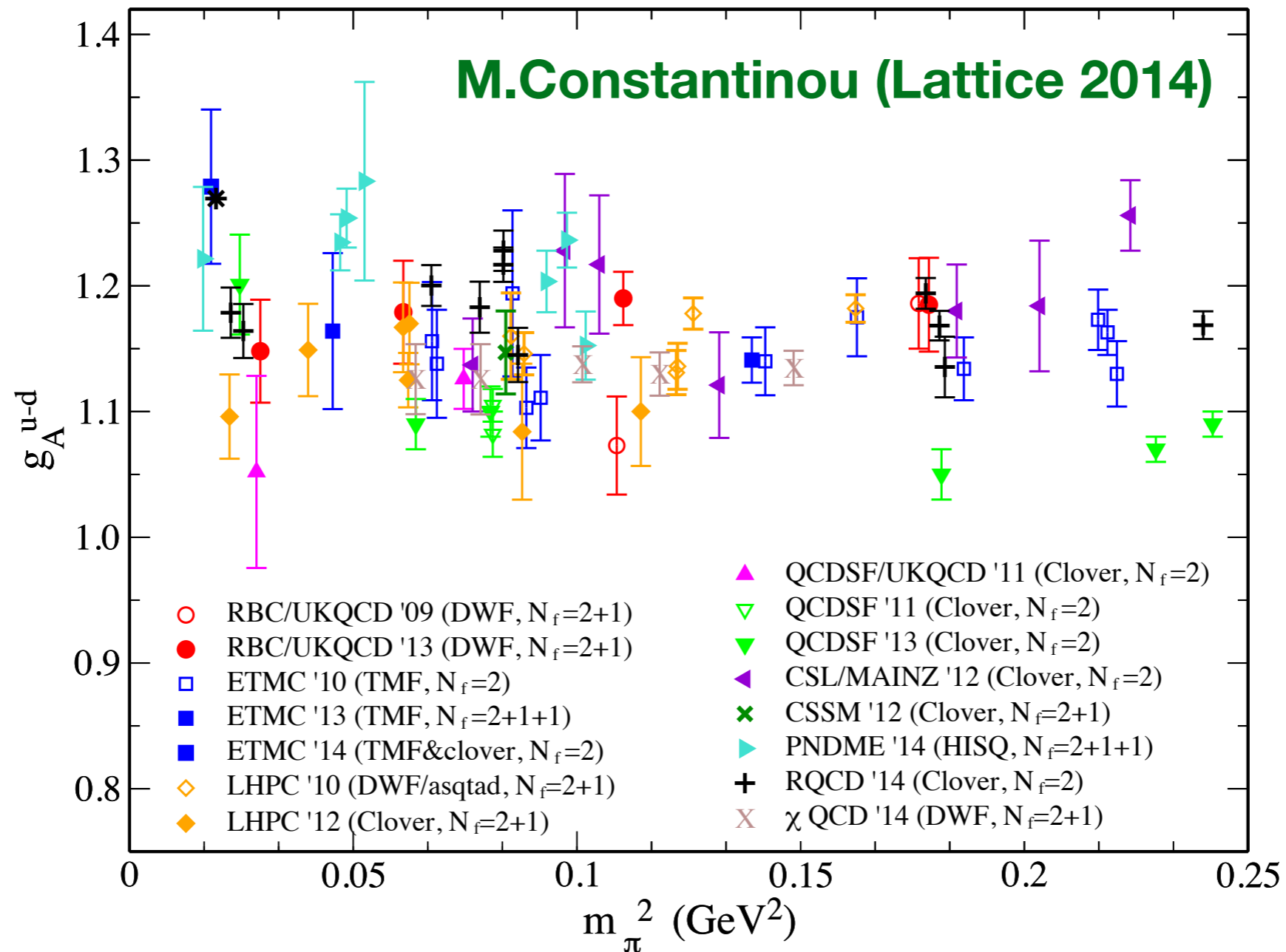
## Quark mass dependence



HBChPT suggests that enhancement is expected in the infinite volume at light quark masses

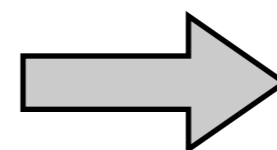
Sensitive to (interplay of Delta and N loops)

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**$g_A$  appears to be very sensitive to Lattice systematics**

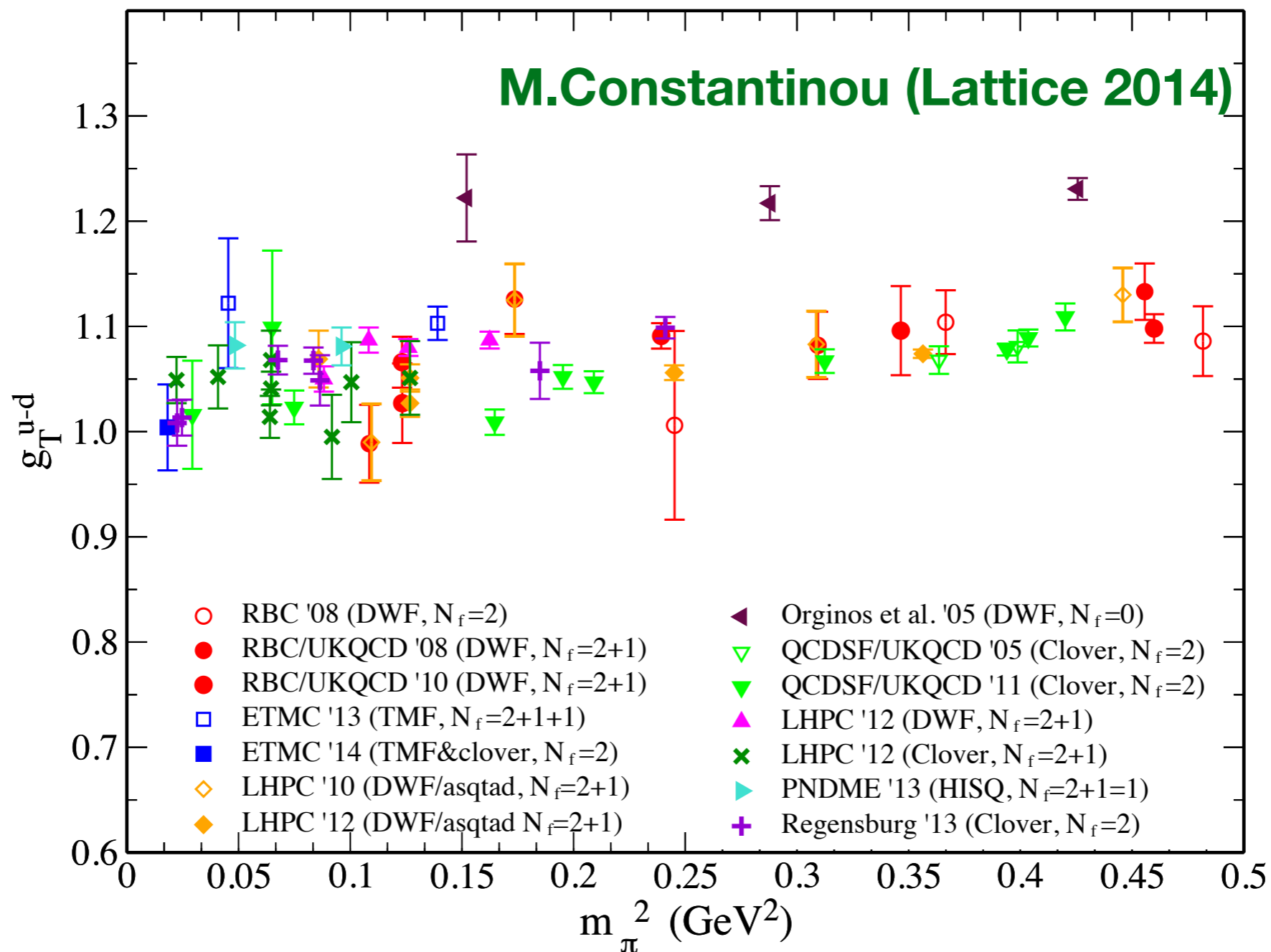
**Lots of effort in reducing systematic errors**



**flow on for other quantities**



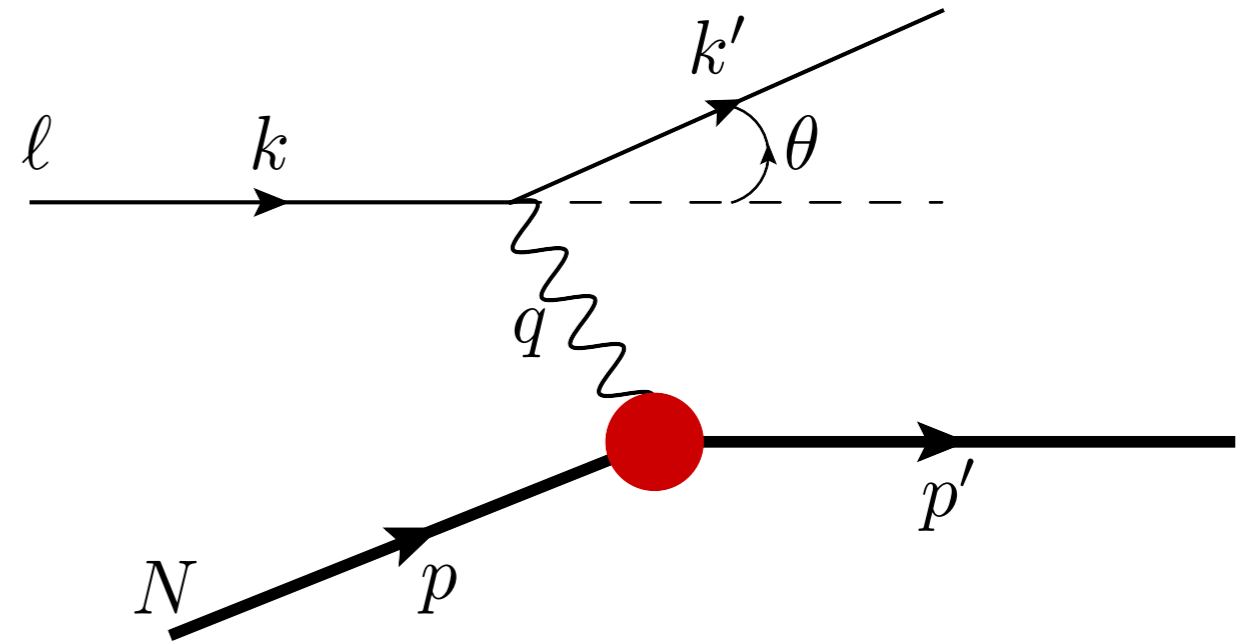
Tensor Charge,  $g_T = \int dx [\delta u(x) - \delta d(x)]$



**$g_T$  appears to be well behaved**

$g_T \approx 1$  [c.f. M. Anselmino et al., 1303.3822:  $g_T = 0.72_{-0.18}^{+0.39}$ ]

$\overline{\text{MS}} \mu^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$



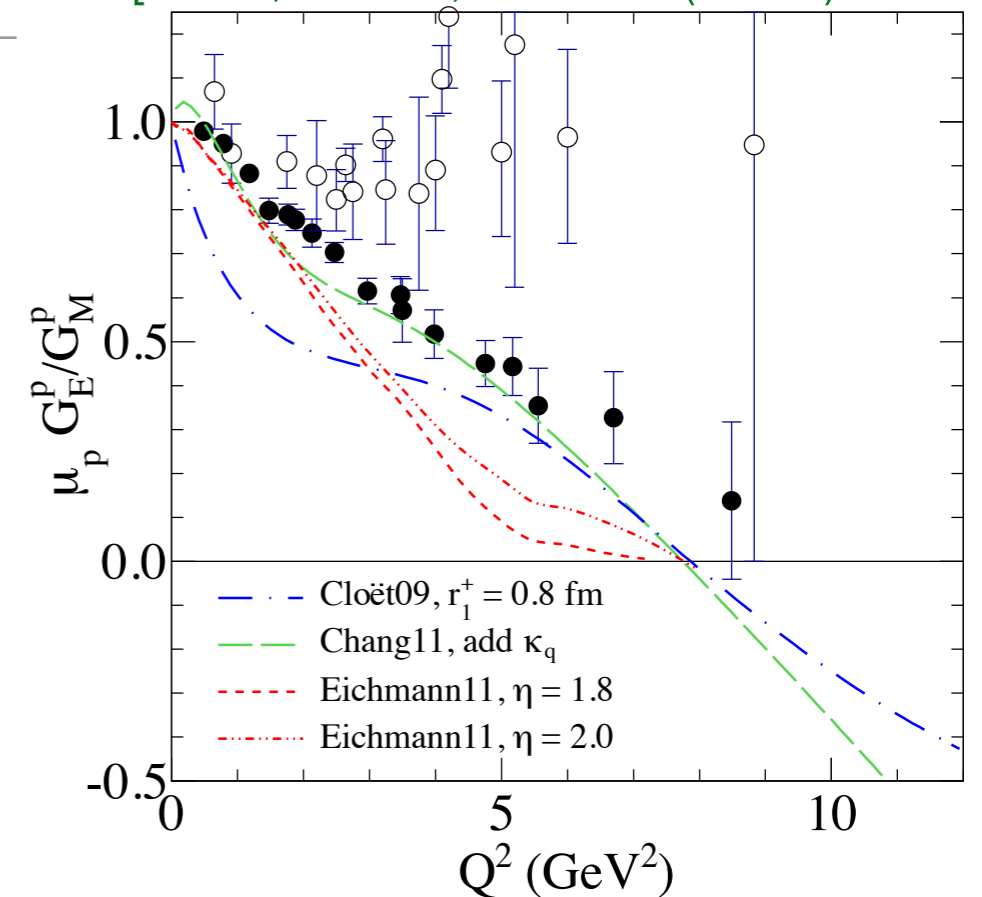
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## Several outstanding issues



[JLab, Hall A, PRC85 (2012) 045203]



Can some of these questions be addressed by a calculation from **Lattice QCD**?

## Need to determine

$$\langle p', s' | J^\mu(\vec{q}) | p, s \rangle = \bar{u}(p', s') \left[ \gamma^\mu F_1(q^2) + i\sigma^{\mu\nu} \frac{q_\nu}{2m} F_2(q^2) \right] u(p, s)$$

$$G_E(Q^2) = F_1(Q^2) - \tau F_2(Q^2)$$

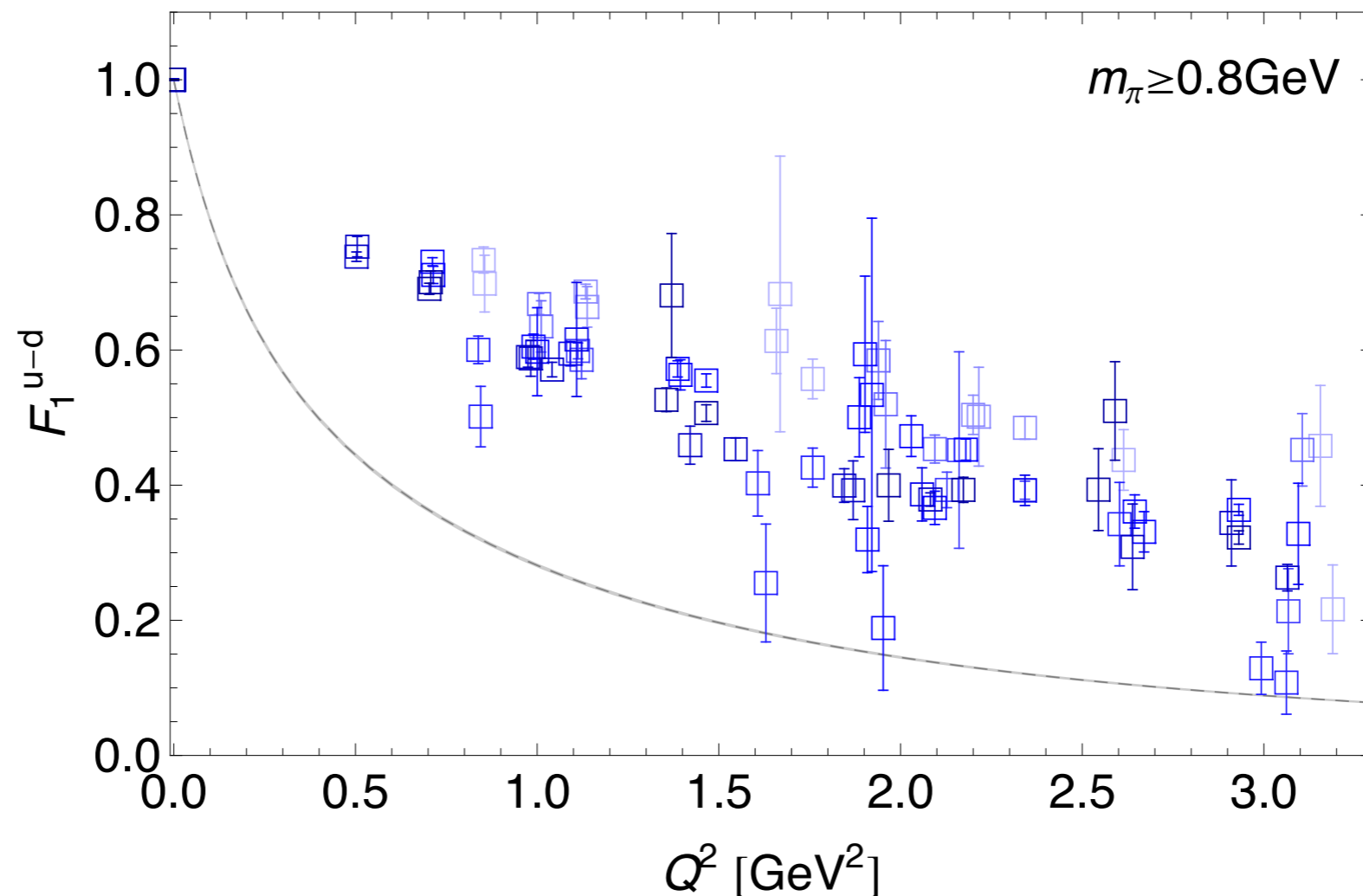
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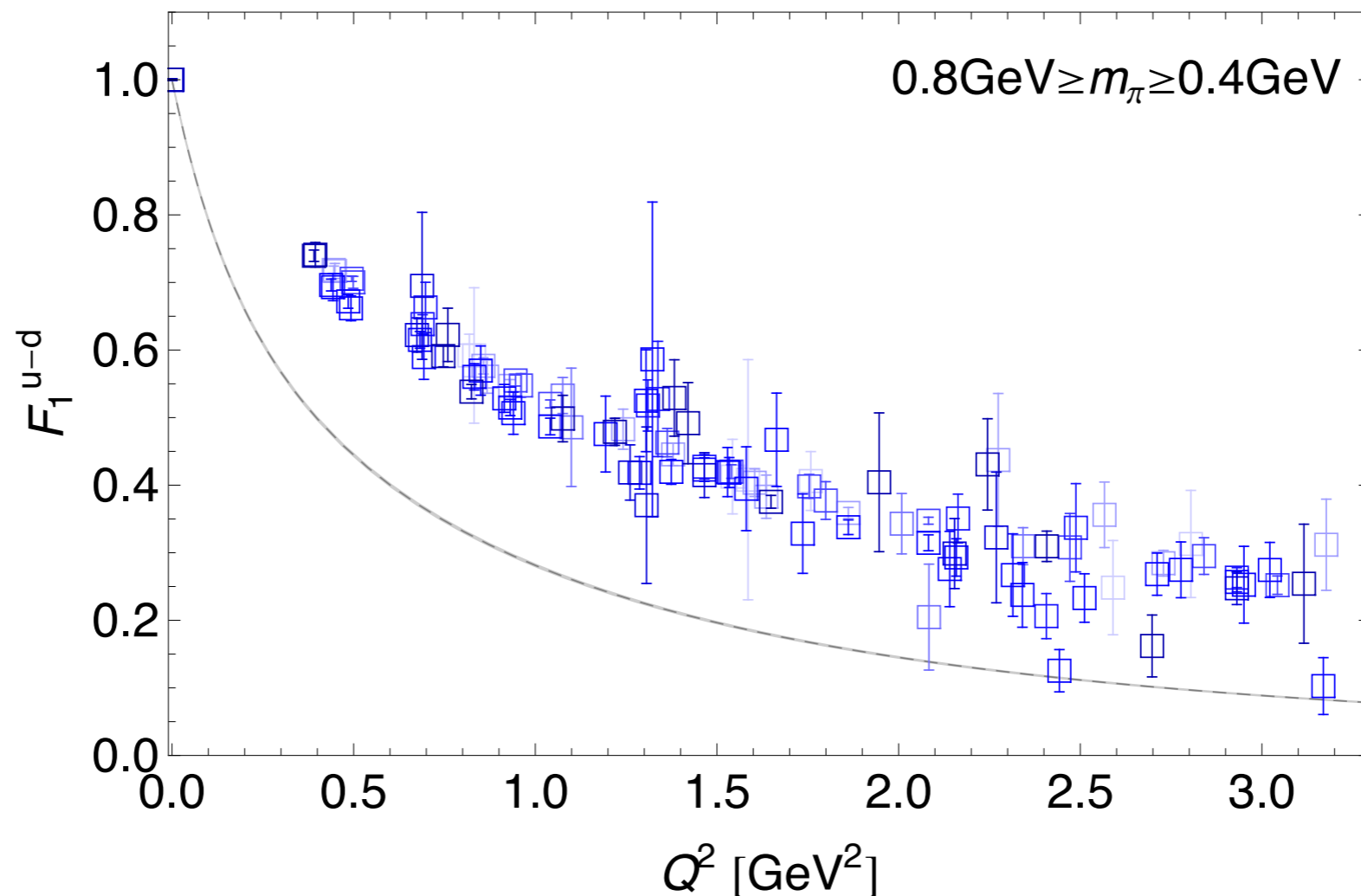
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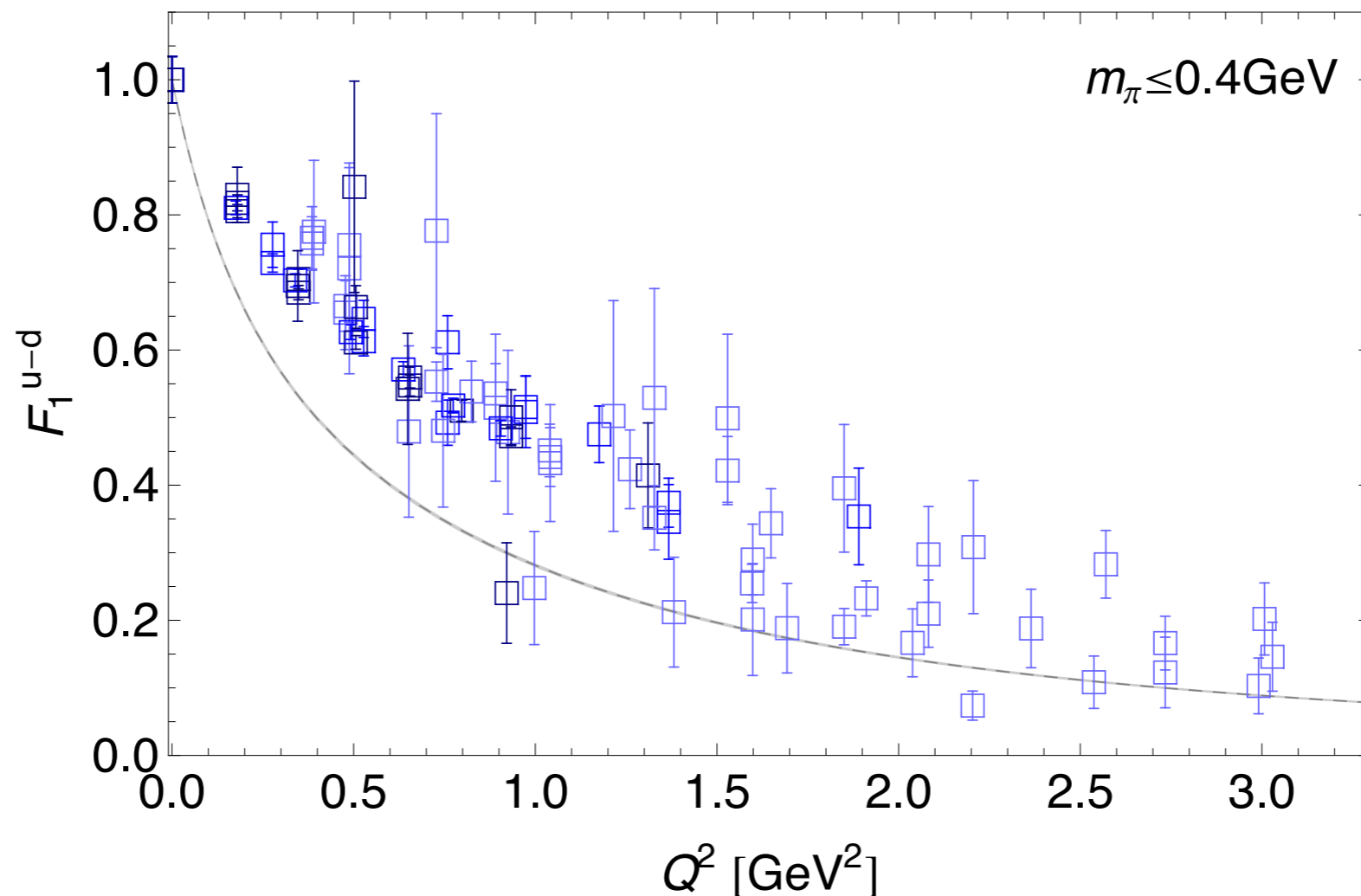
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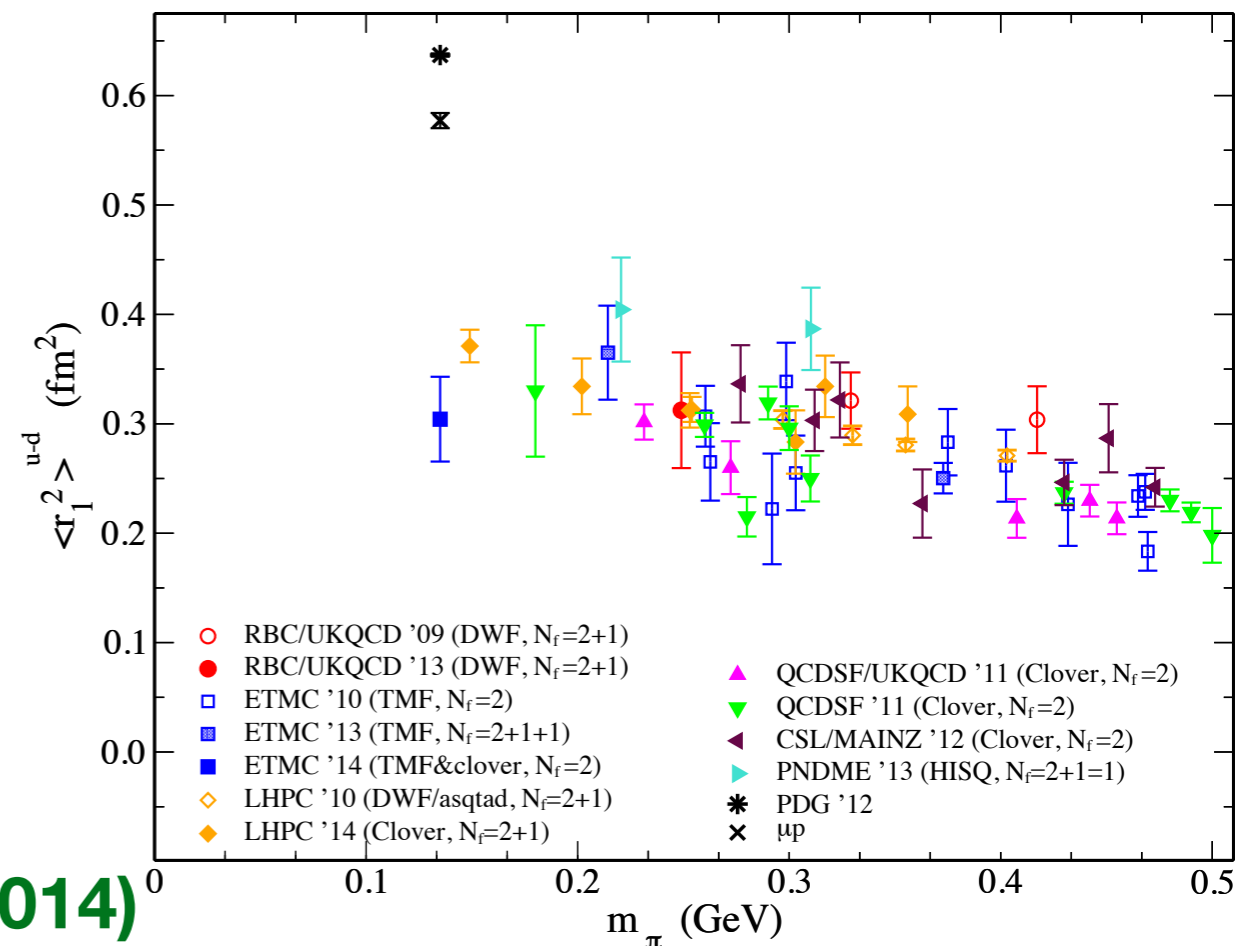
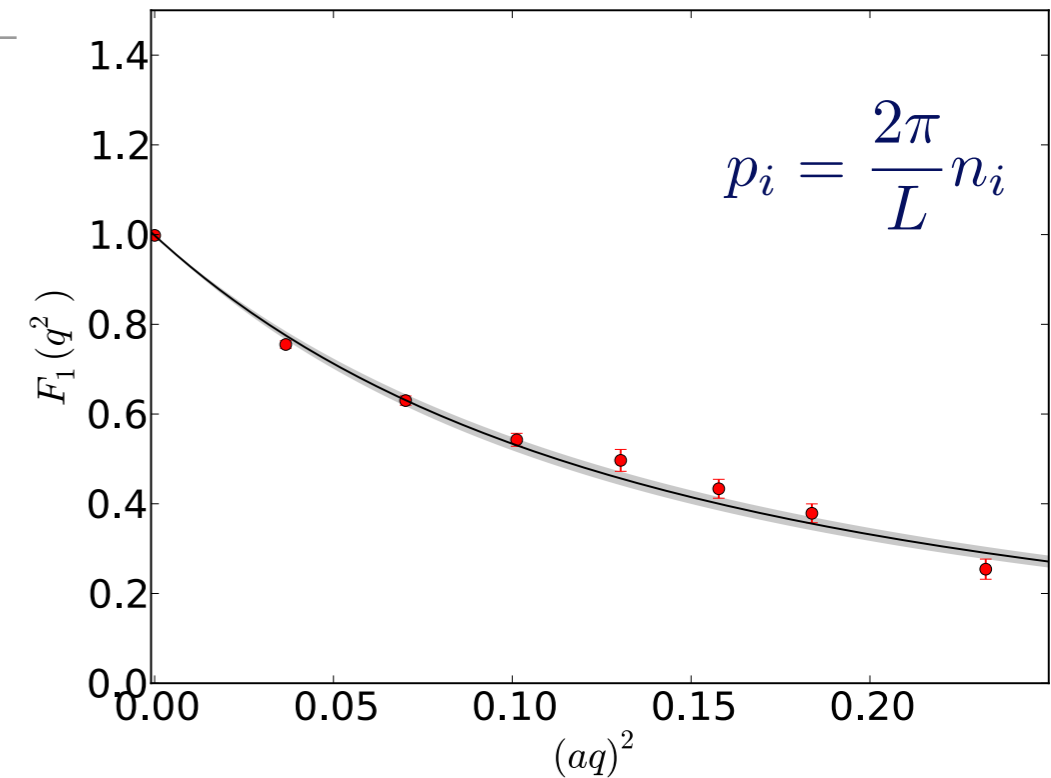
**Fit with a dipole**

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{F(0)}{(1 - Q^2/M^2)^2}$$

**Extract charge radius**

$$\langle r^2 \rangle = \frac{12}{M^2}$$

**Extrapolate to physical mass**



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**New method:**

**Perform chiral extrapolation at fixed- $Q^2$**

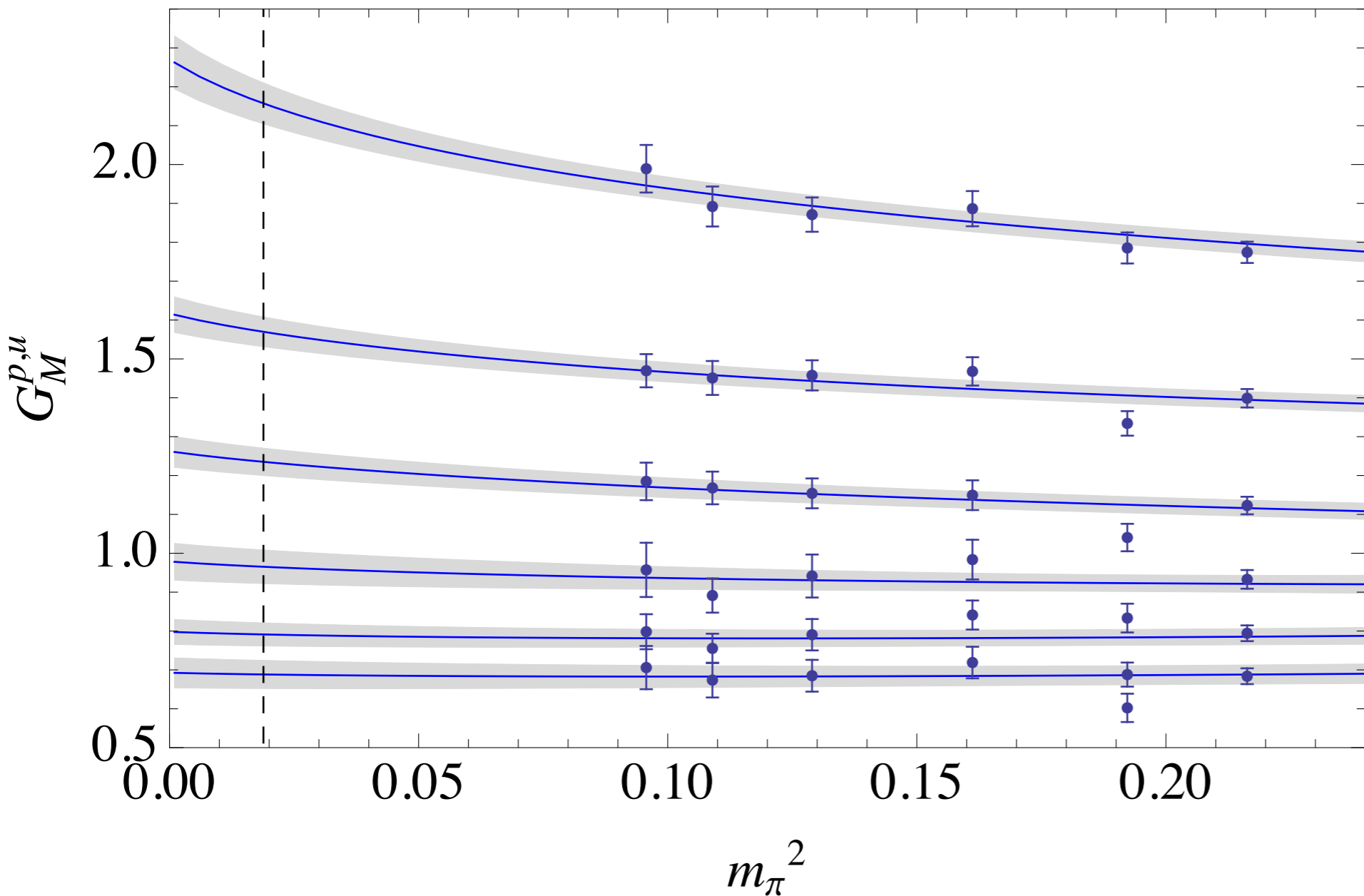
P. Shanahan et al (CSSM/QCDSF):

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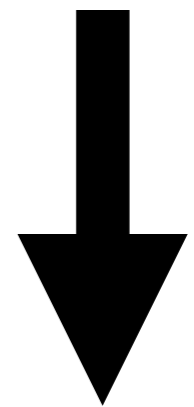
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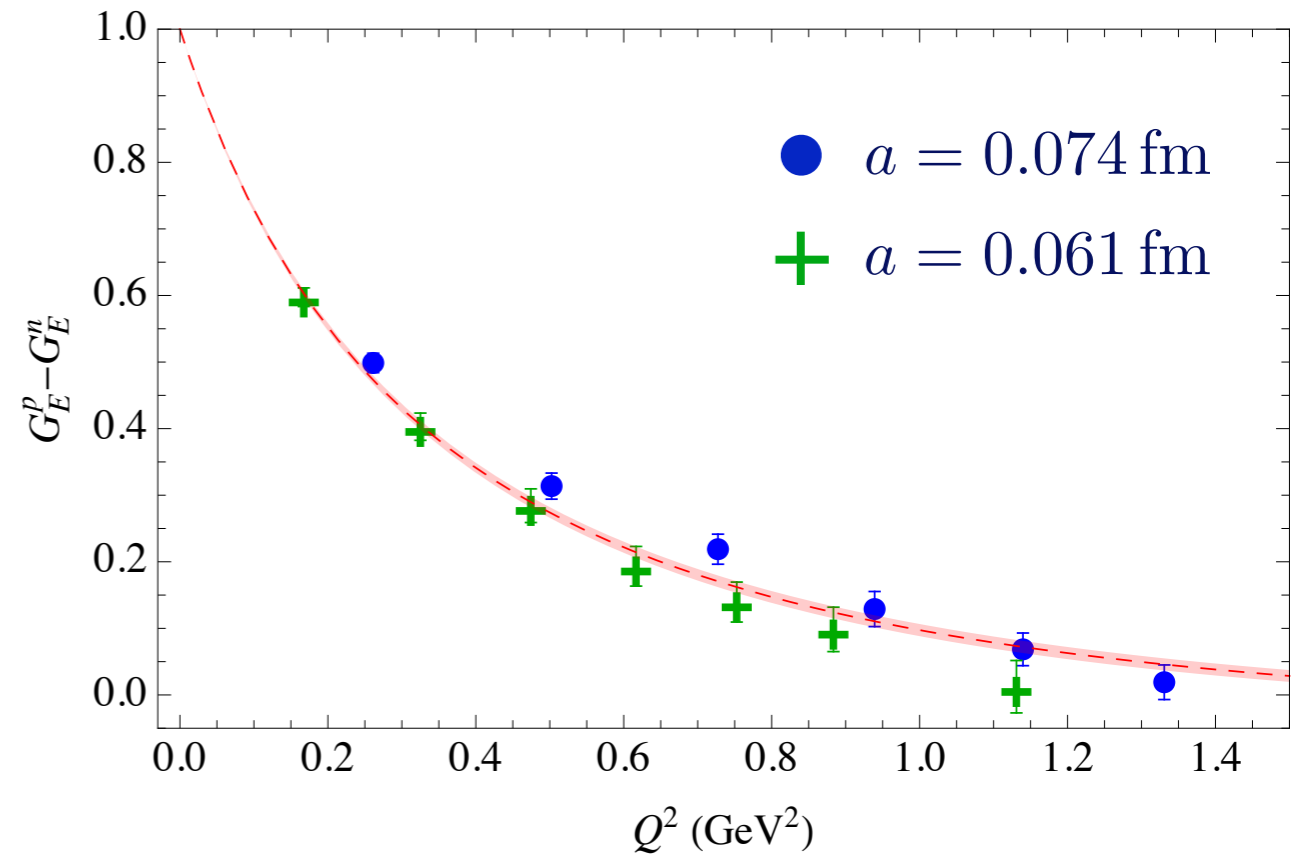
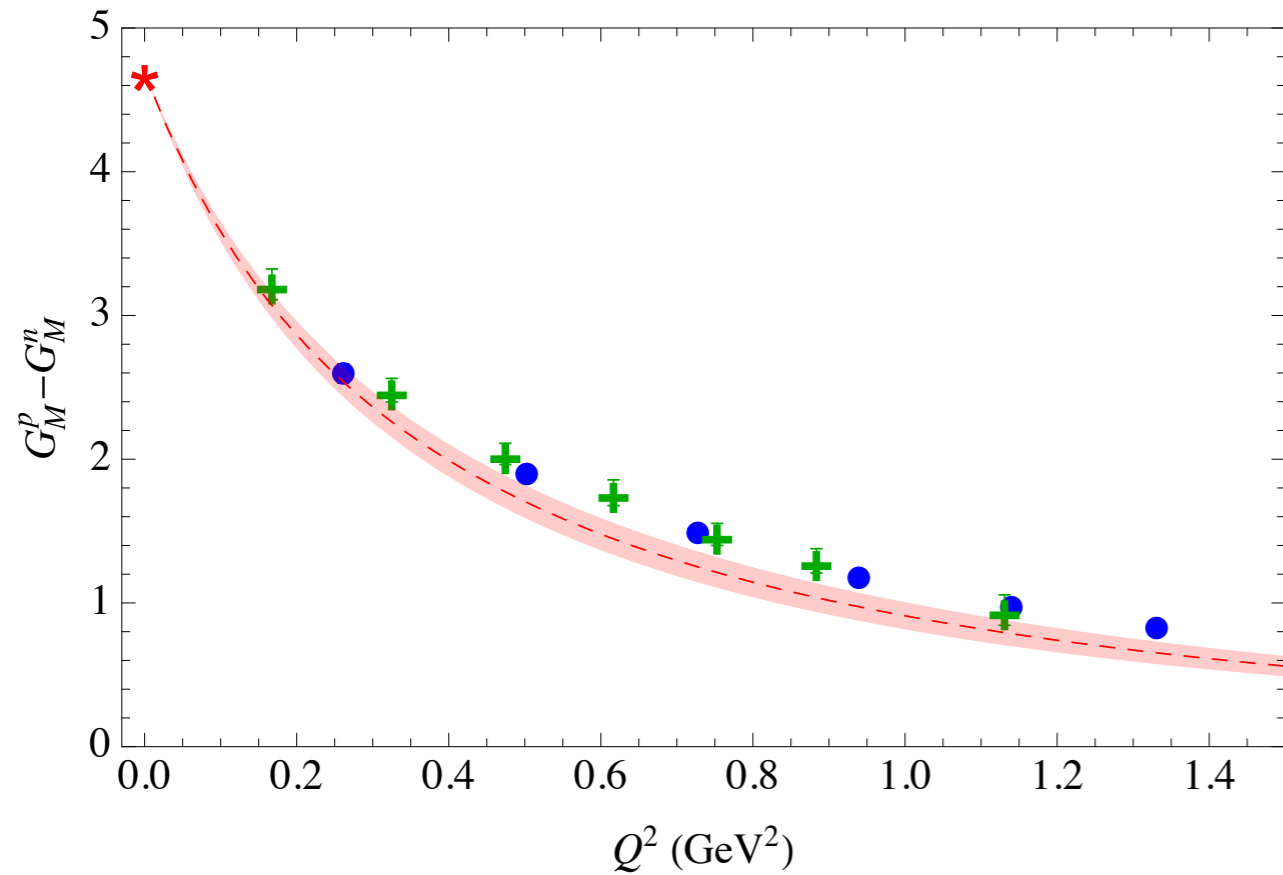


Increasing  $Q^2$





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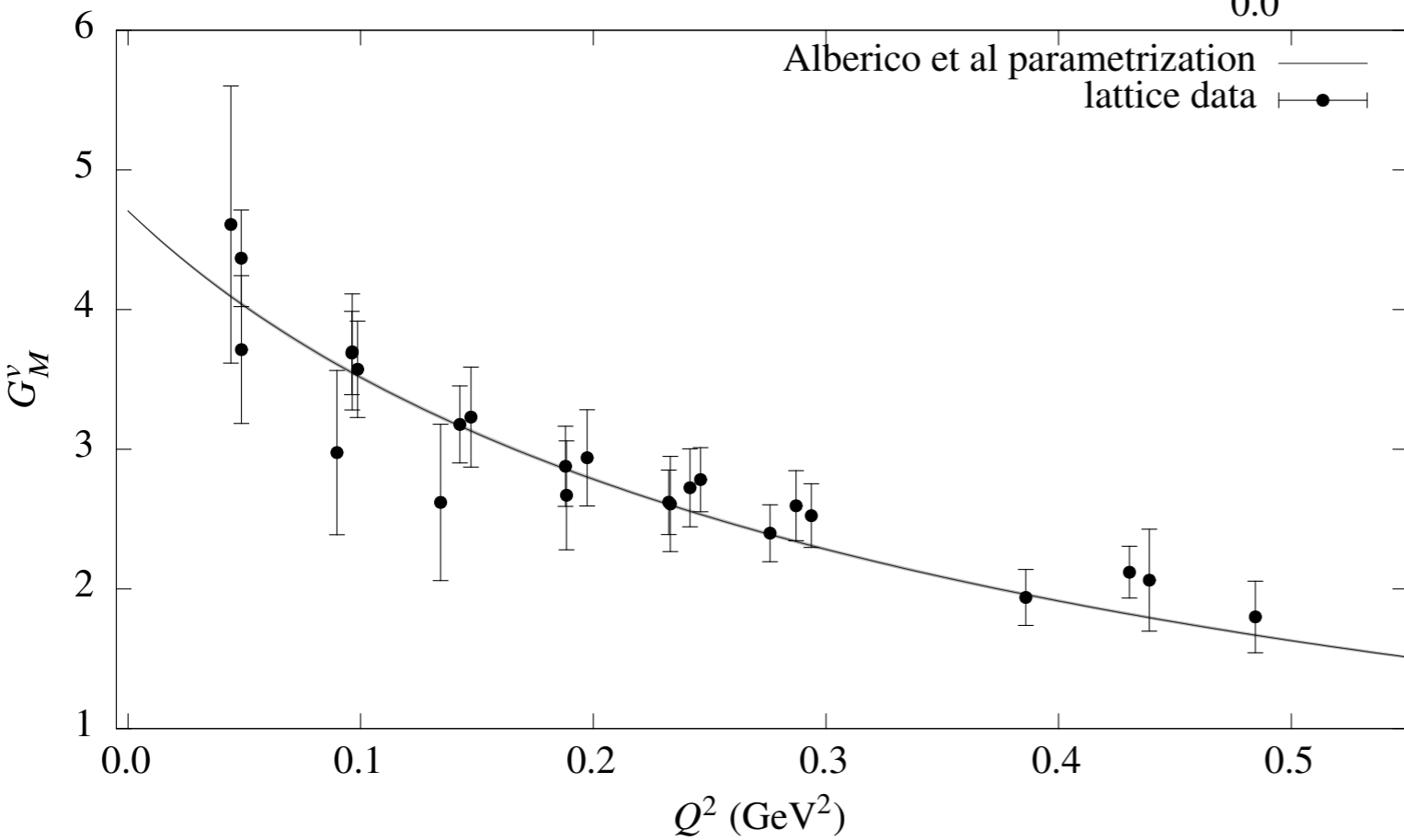
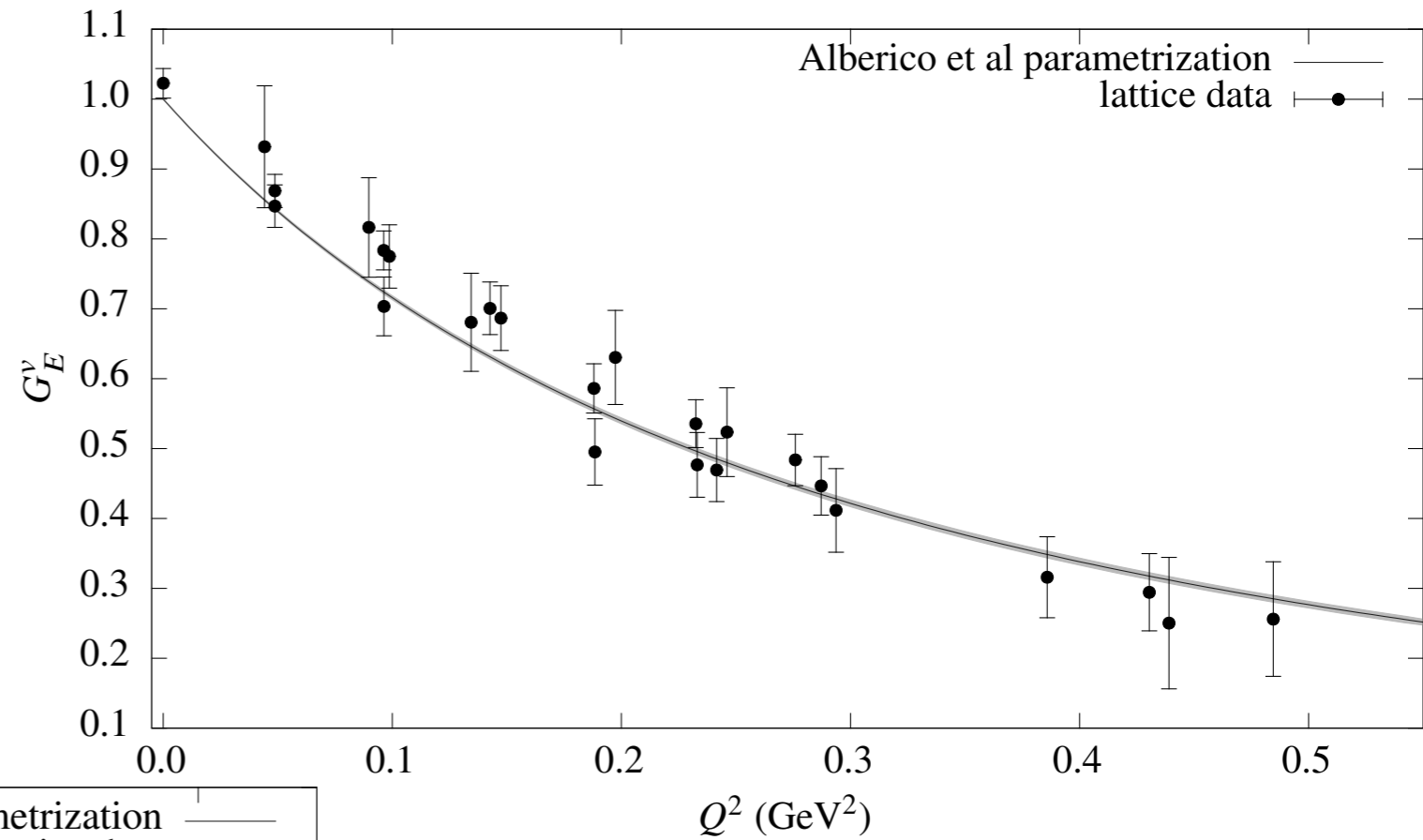
**Good agreement with parameterisation of experimental data**

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J. Green et al. (LHPC): arXiv:1404.4029

**Latest results close to the physical point**

$$m_\pi \approx 149 \text{ MeV}$$

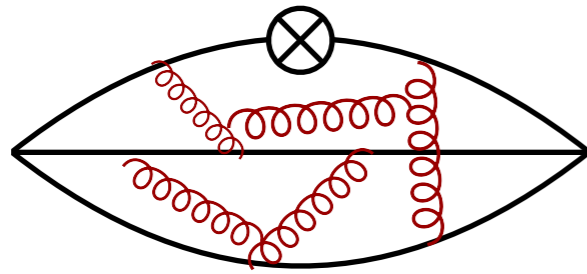


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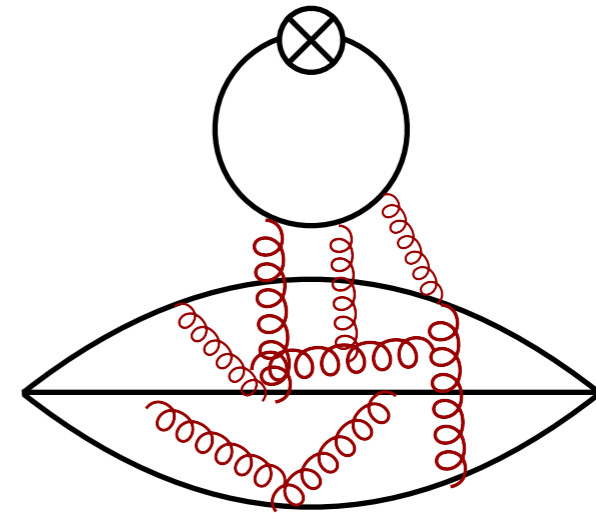
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**Understanding hidden flavour** - A fundamental challenge of hadronic physics

Contributions arise entirely through interactions with QCD vacuum



connected



disconnected

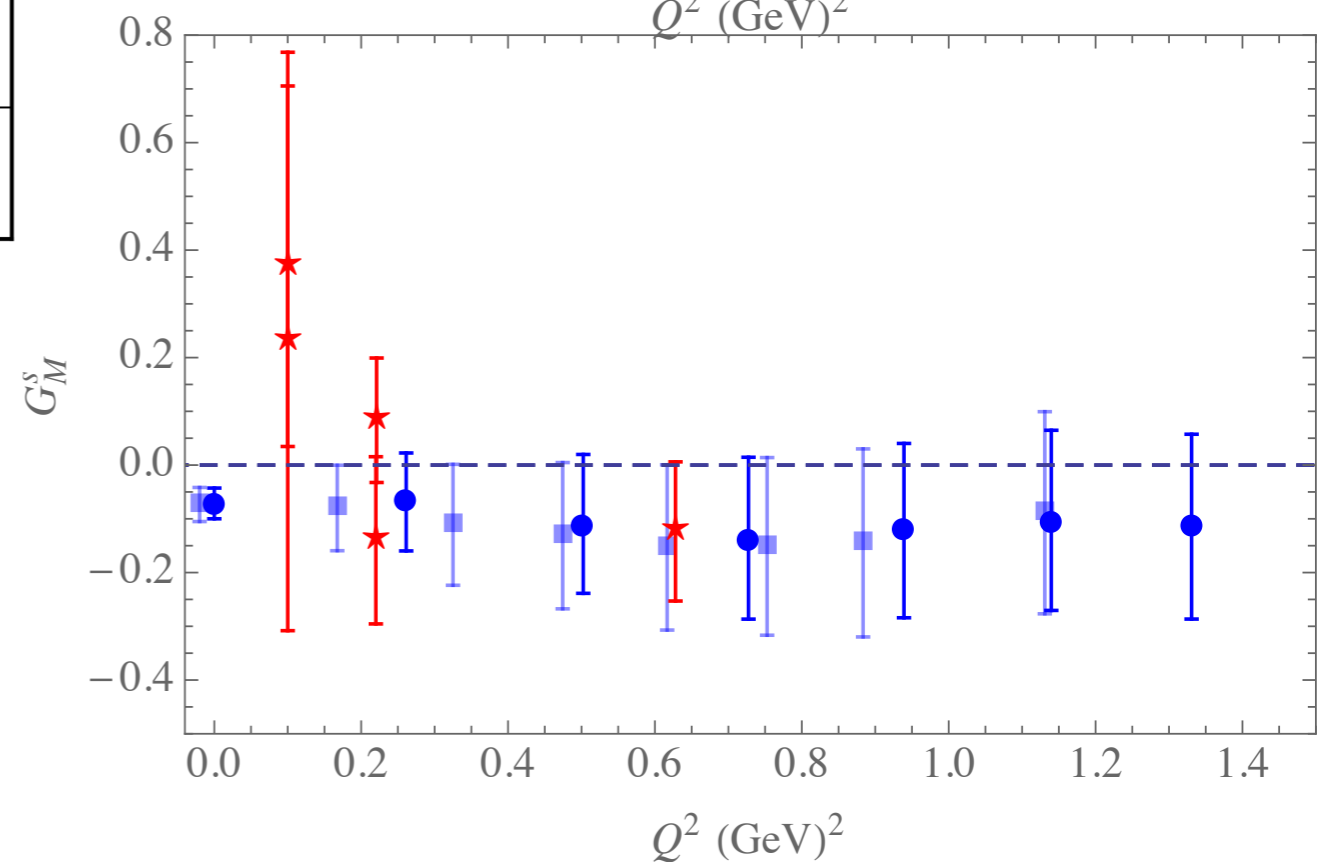
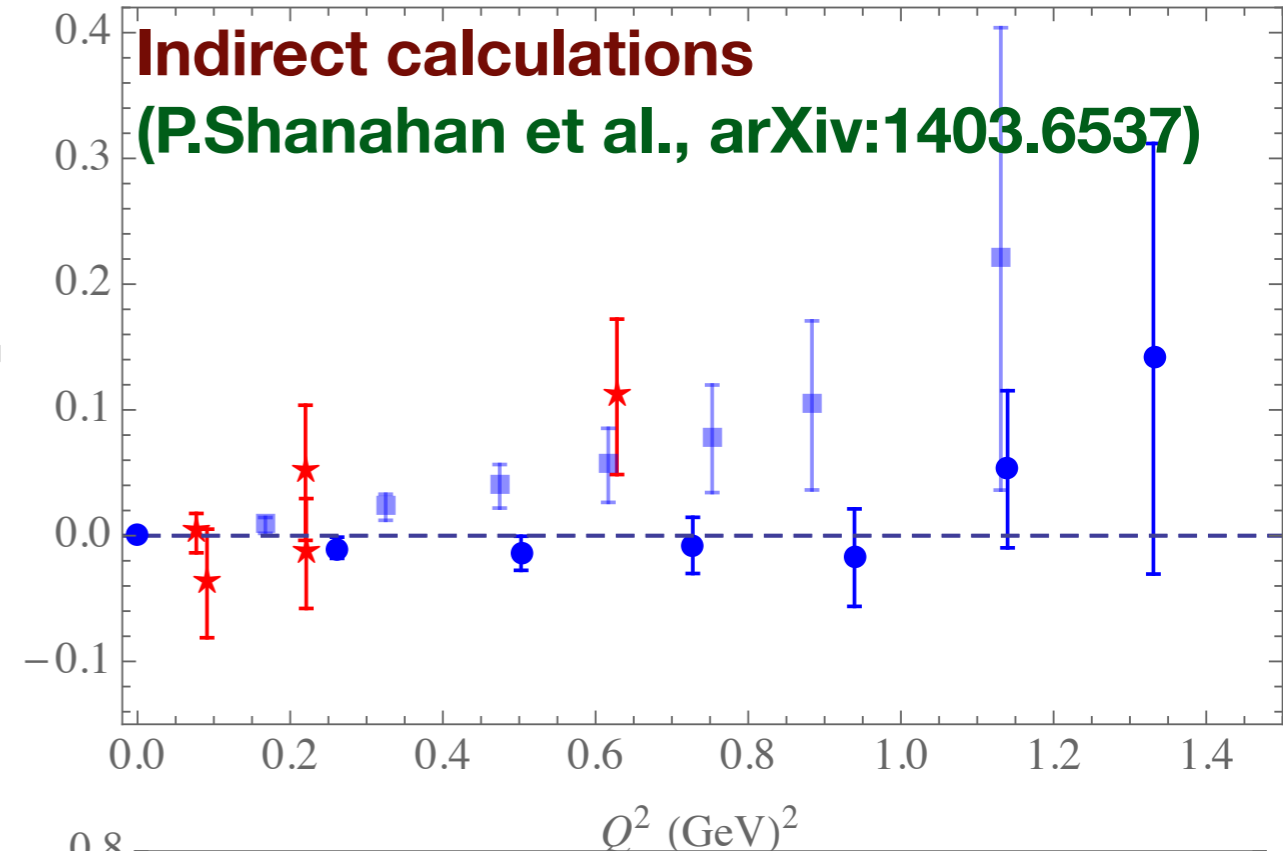
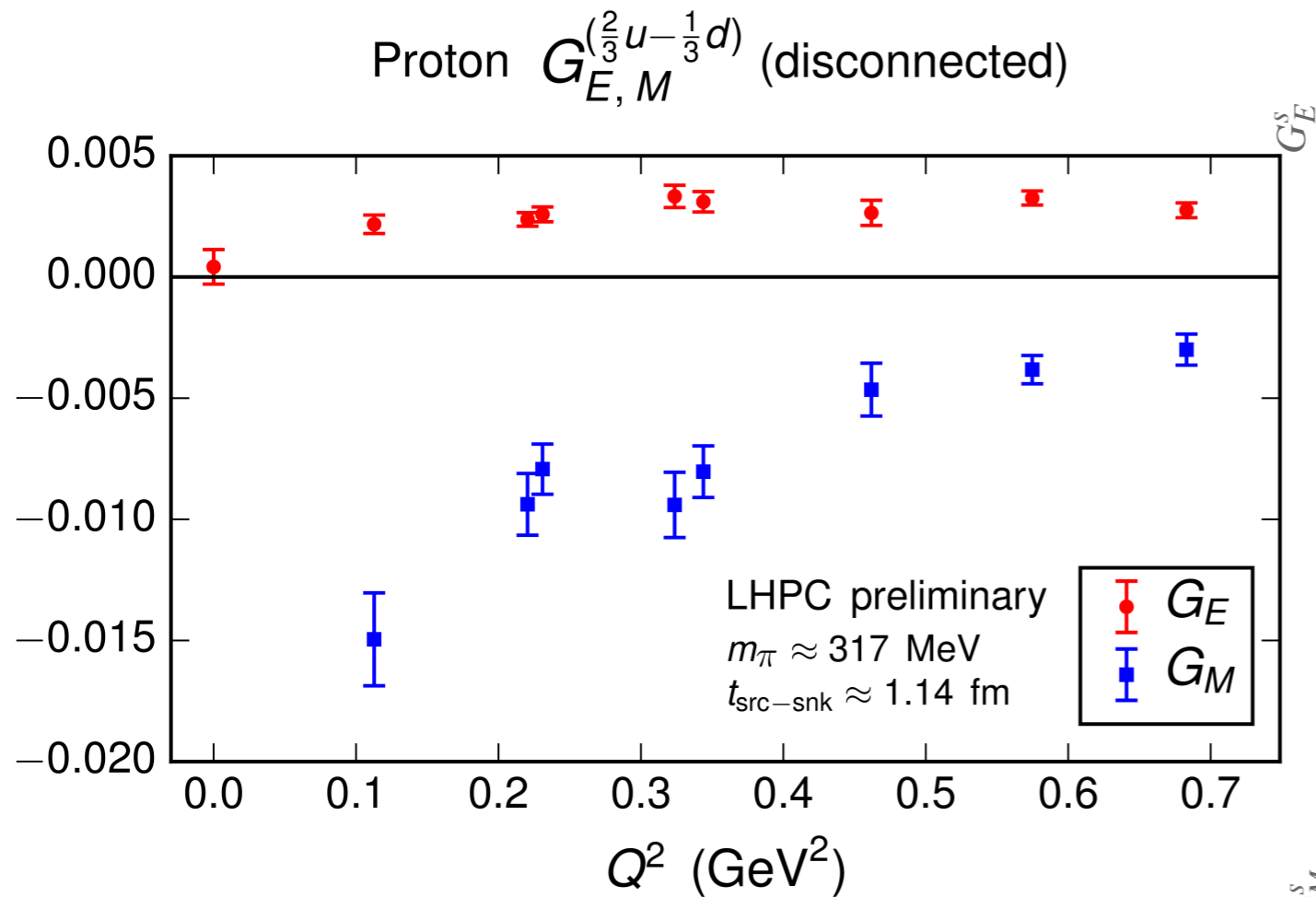
**Expensive and noisy!**

Vanish for isovector quantities (p-n)

Essential for strangeness

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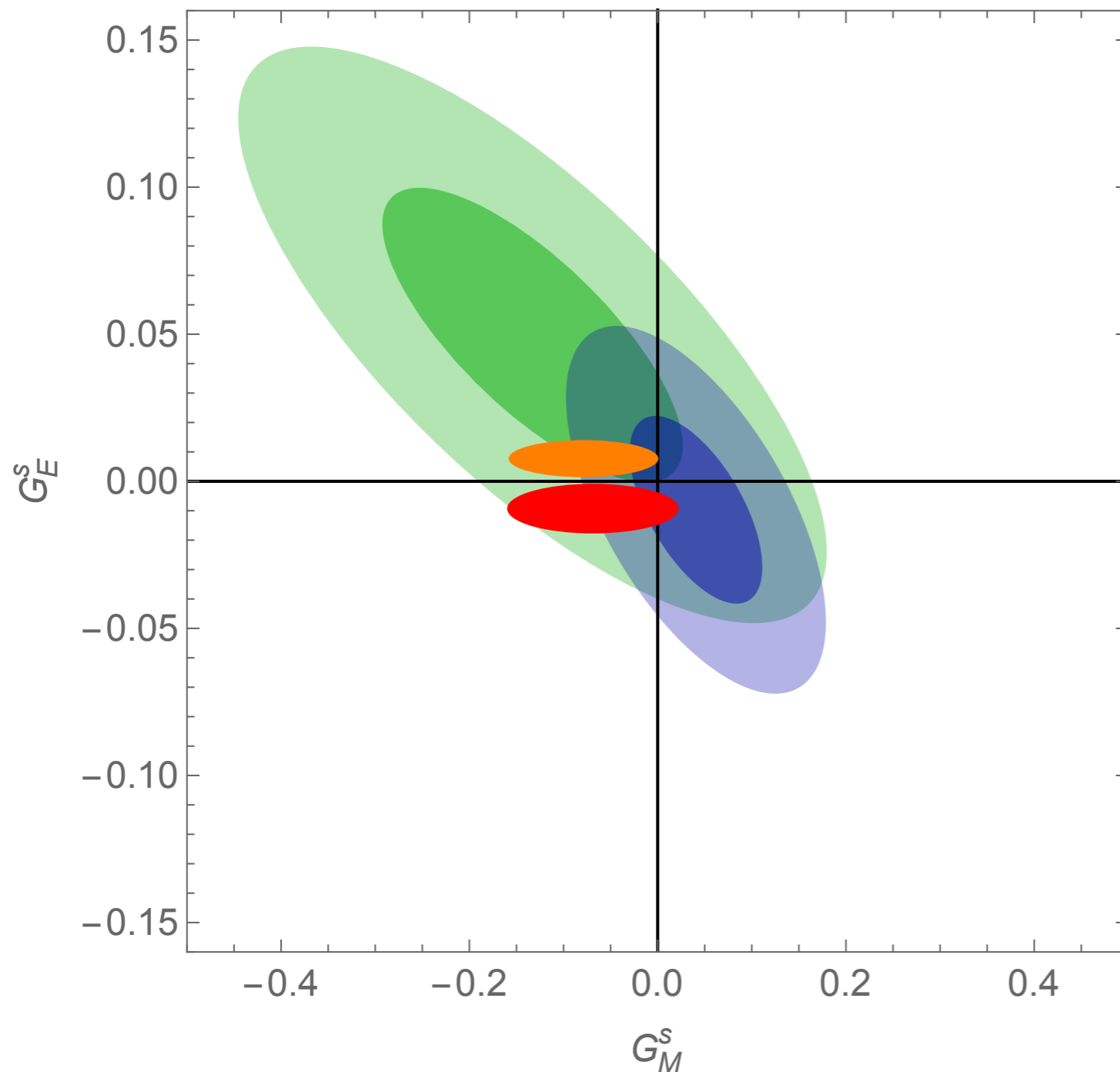
**Direct calculations - preliminary**  
**(S. Meinel, Lattice 2014)**



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P. Shanahan et al., arXiv:1403.6537

## Comparison with experimental constraints



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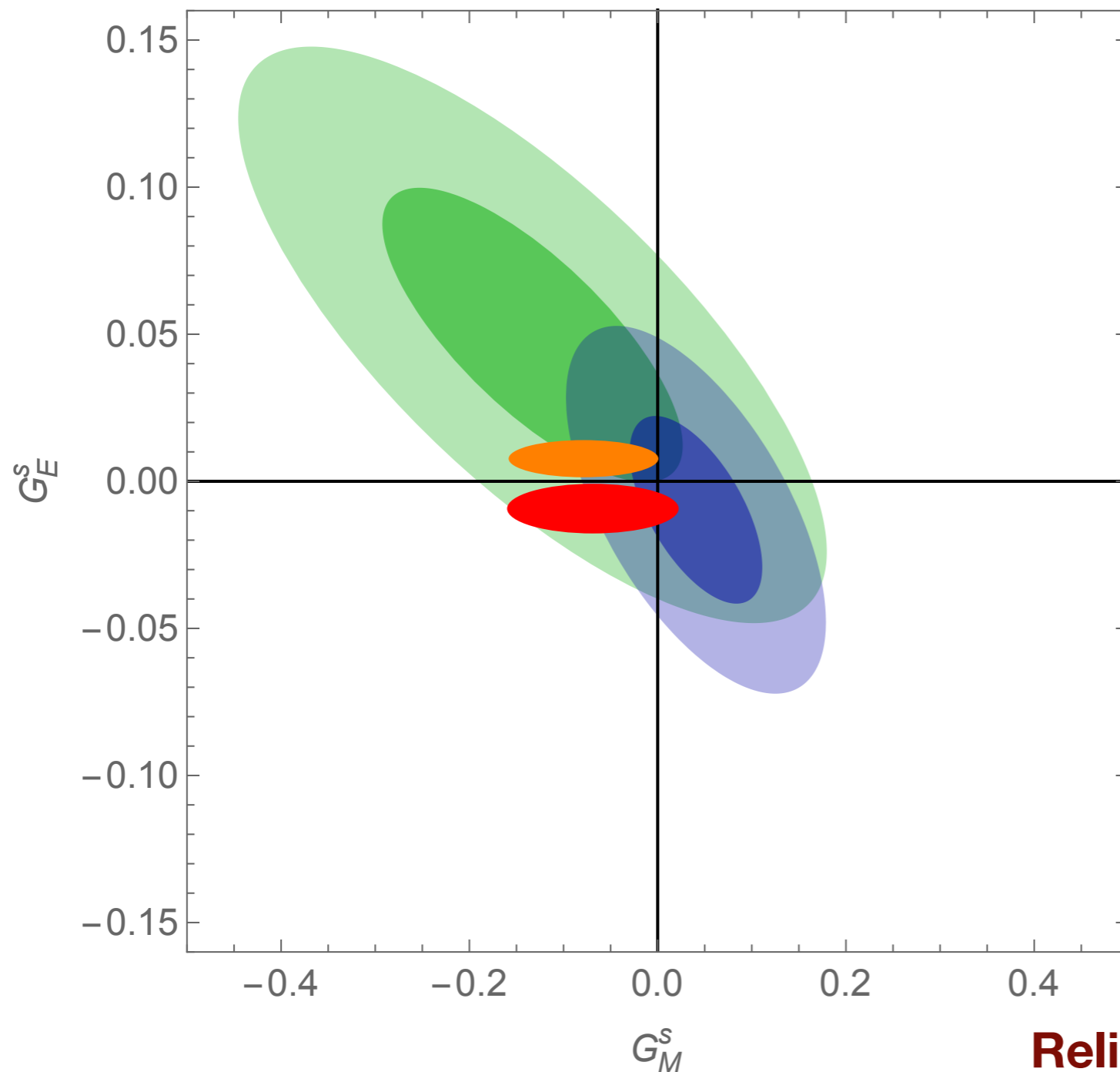
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# Strangeness Form Factor

P. Shanahan et al., arXiv:1403.6537

## Comparison with experimental constraints



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Charge Symmetry**

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# Charge Symmetry

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$u$  quarks in the proton  $\equiv$   $d$  quarks in the neutron

**We relied on charge symmetry in our determination of the strangeness form factors**

**So do the experiments!**

**EM and weak interactions give access to different combinations of  $G^{p,(u/d/s)}$**

$$G^{p,\gamma} = \frac{2}{3}G^{p,u} - \frac{1}{3}(G^{p,d} + G^{p,s})$$

$$G^{p,Z} = \left(1 - \frac{8}{3}\sin^2\theta_W\right)G^{p,u} - \left(1 - \frac{4}{3}\sin^2\theta_W\right)(G^{p,d} + G^{p,s})$$

**Assume charge symmetry** ( $G^{p,u} = G^{n,d}$ ,  $G^{p,d} = G^{n,u}$ ,  $G^{p,s} = G^{n,s}$ )

$$\longrightarrow \left(G_{E/M}^{p,s} = (1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W)G_{E/M}^{p,\gamma} - G_{E/M}^{n,\gamma} - G_{E/M}^{p,Z}\right)$$

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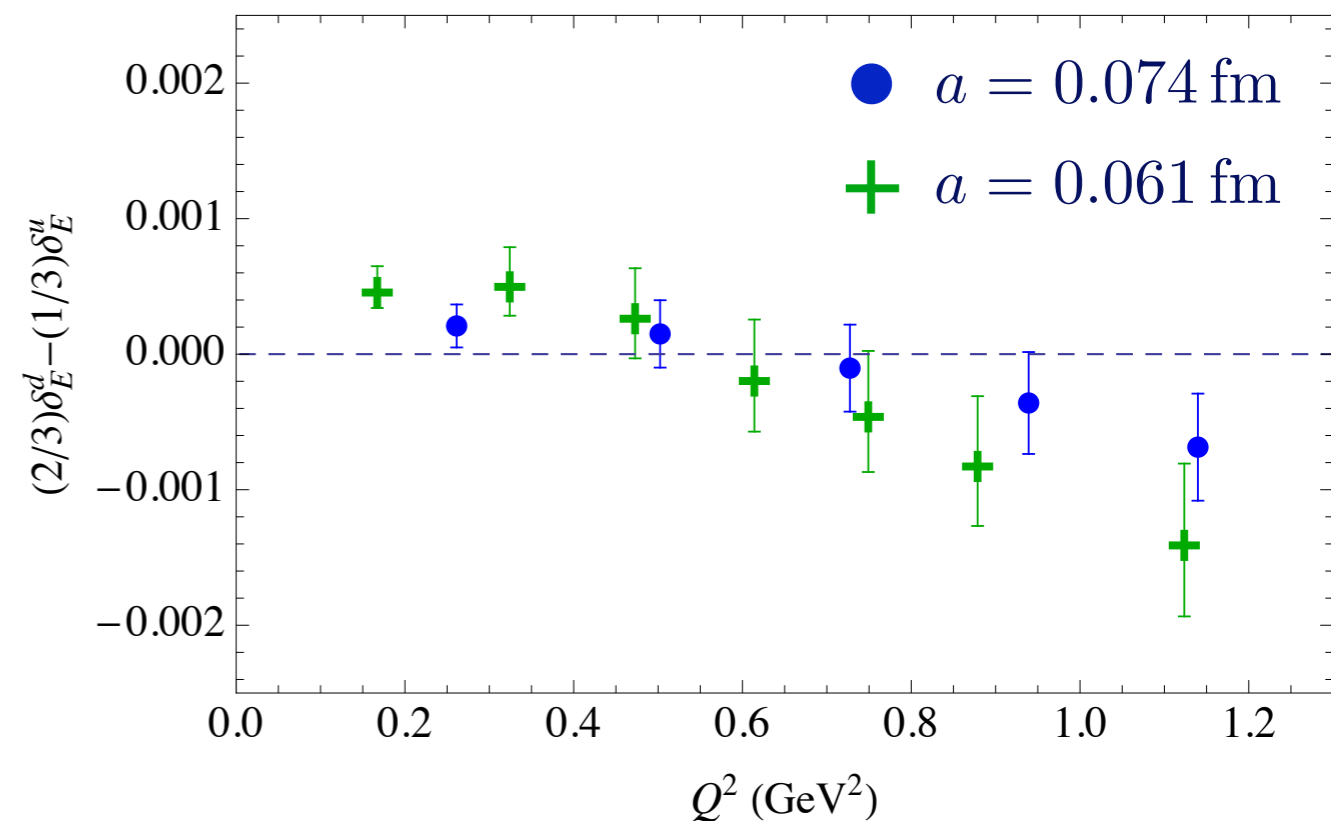
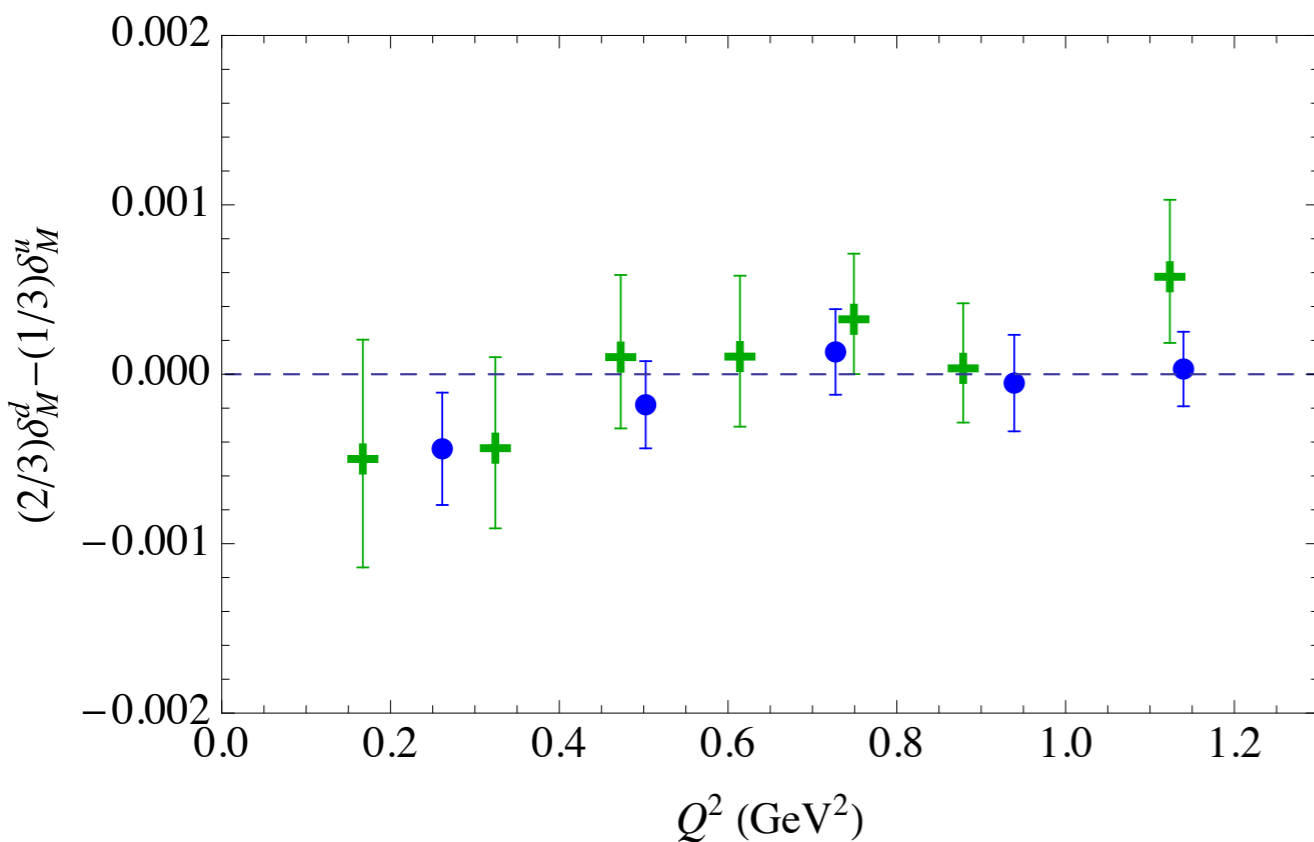
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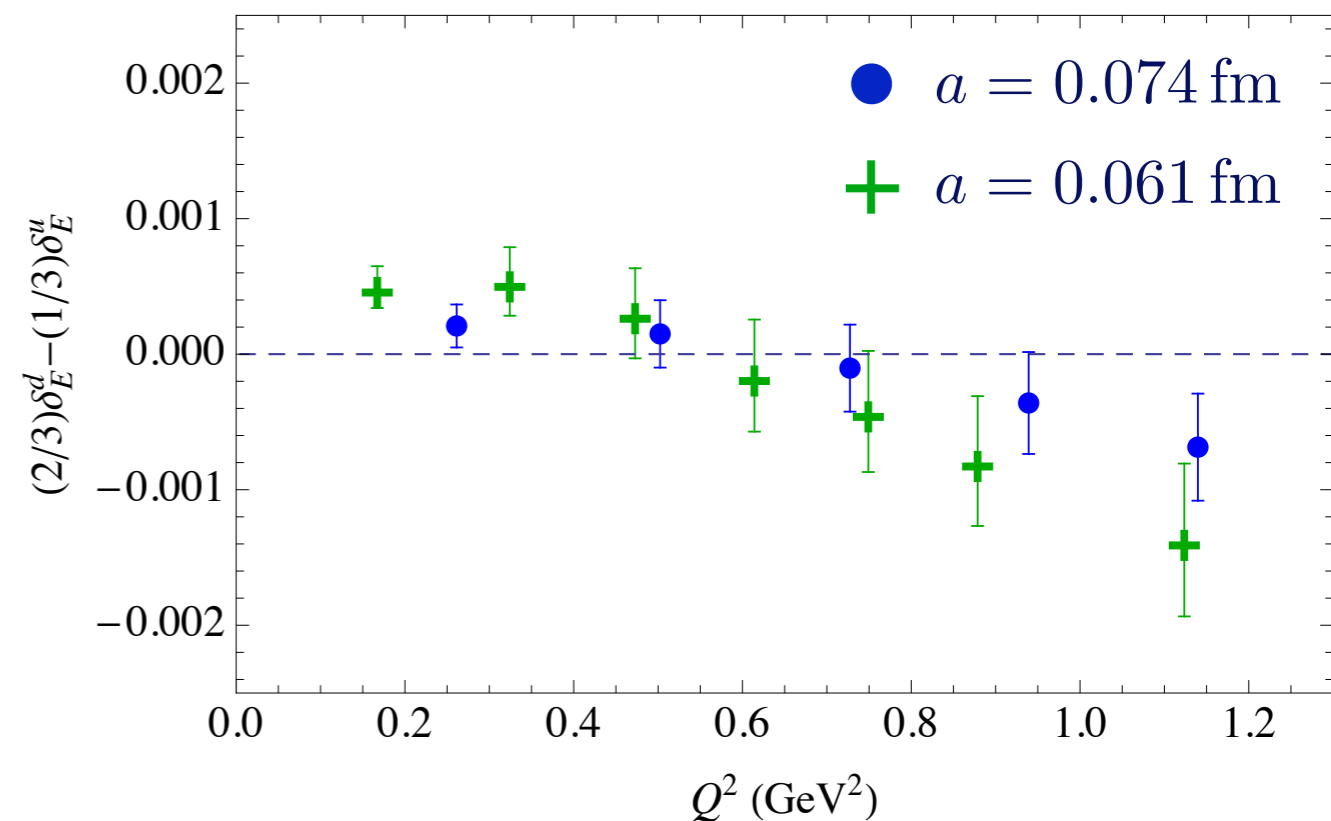
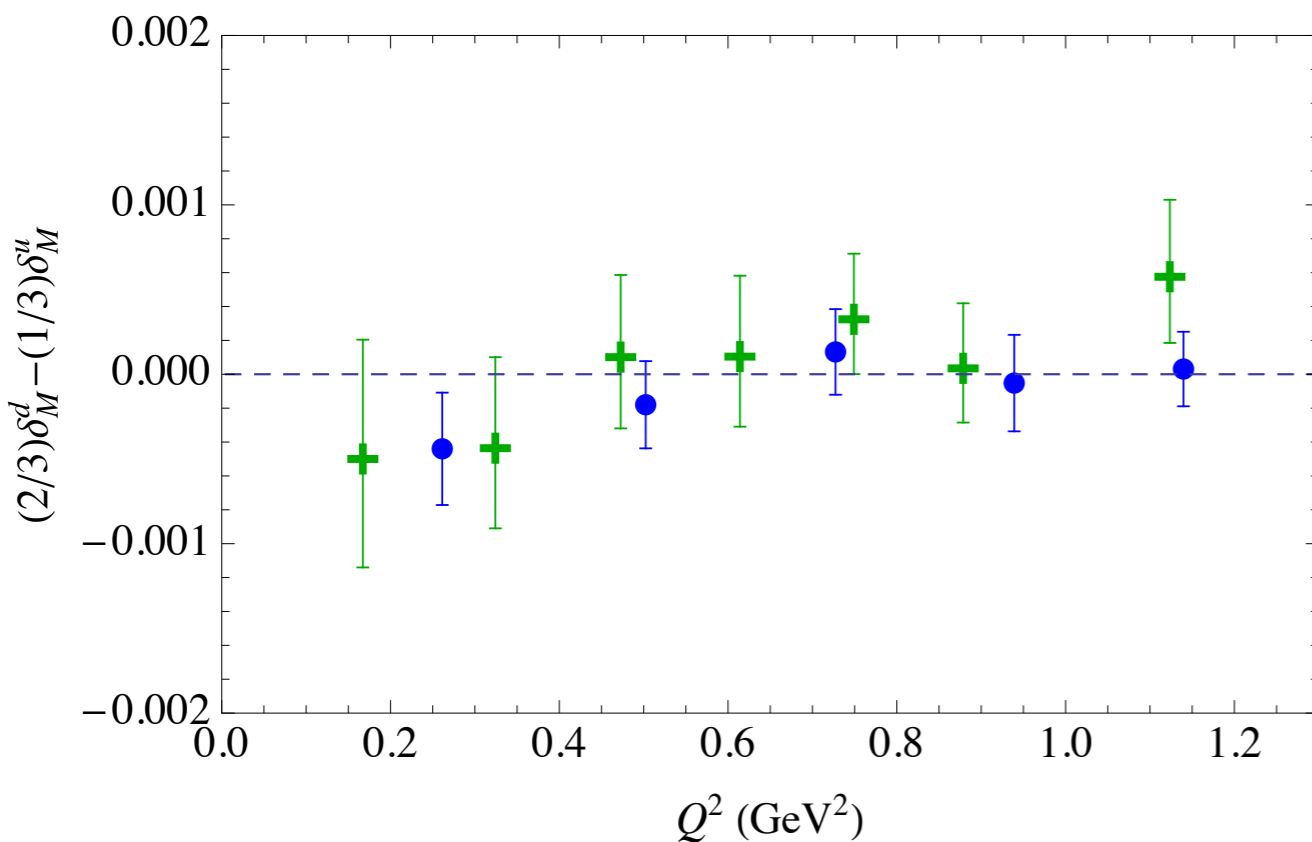
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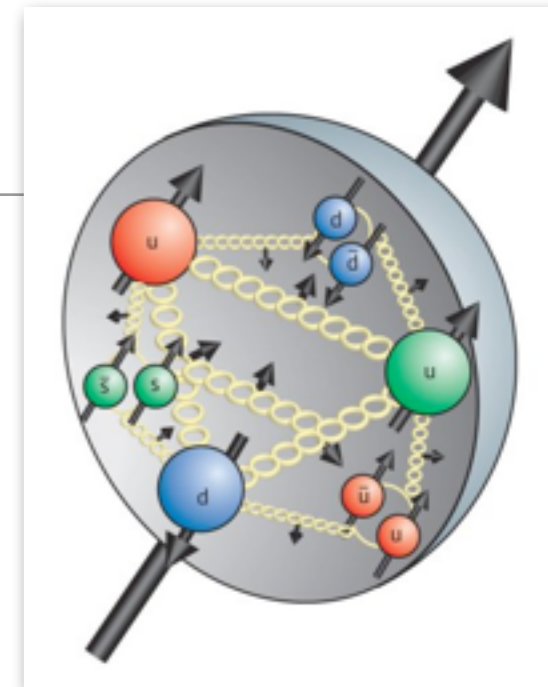
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# Spin of the Proton

[See also plenary by K.-F. Liu]

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How is the spin of the proton distributed between its constituents?



**X. Ji (1997):** 
$$\frac{1}{2} = \sum_q J_q(\mu^2) + J_g(\mu^2) \quad J_q = \frac{1}{2} \Delta \Sigma_q + L_q$$

Express in terms of moments of Generalised Parton Distributions

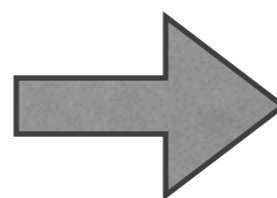
$$J_{q/g} = \frac{1}{2} [A_{20}^{q/g}(\Delta^2 = 0) + B_{20}^{q/g}(\Delta^2 = 0)]$$

which are obtained from the matrix elements of the energy momentum tensor

$$\langle P' | T^{\mu\nu} | P \rangle = \bar{U}(P') \left\{ \gamma^\mu \bar{P}^\nu A_{20}(\Delta^2) + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\rho} \Delta_\rho \bar{P}^\nu}{2m_N} B_{20}(\Delta^2) + \frac{\Delta^\mu \Delta^\nu}{m_N} C_{20}(\Delta^2) \right\} U(P)$$

**Momentum conservation:**

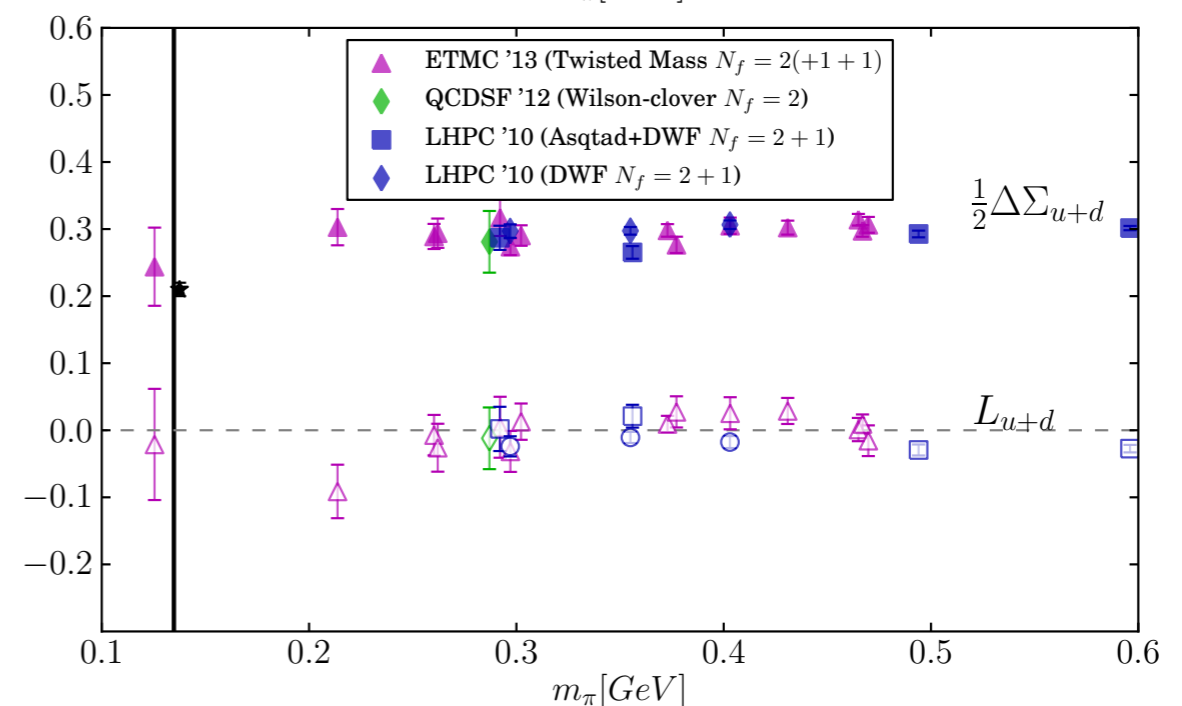
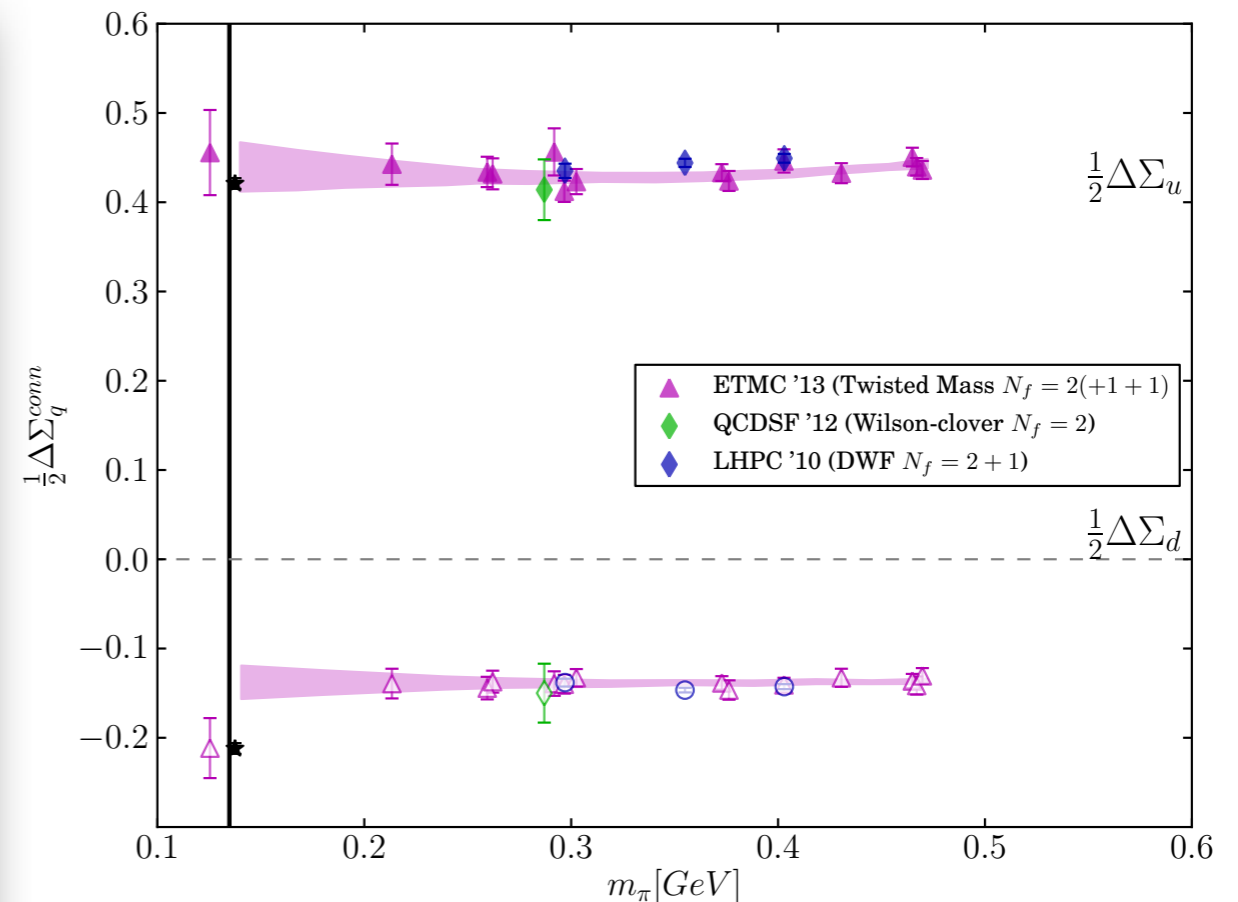
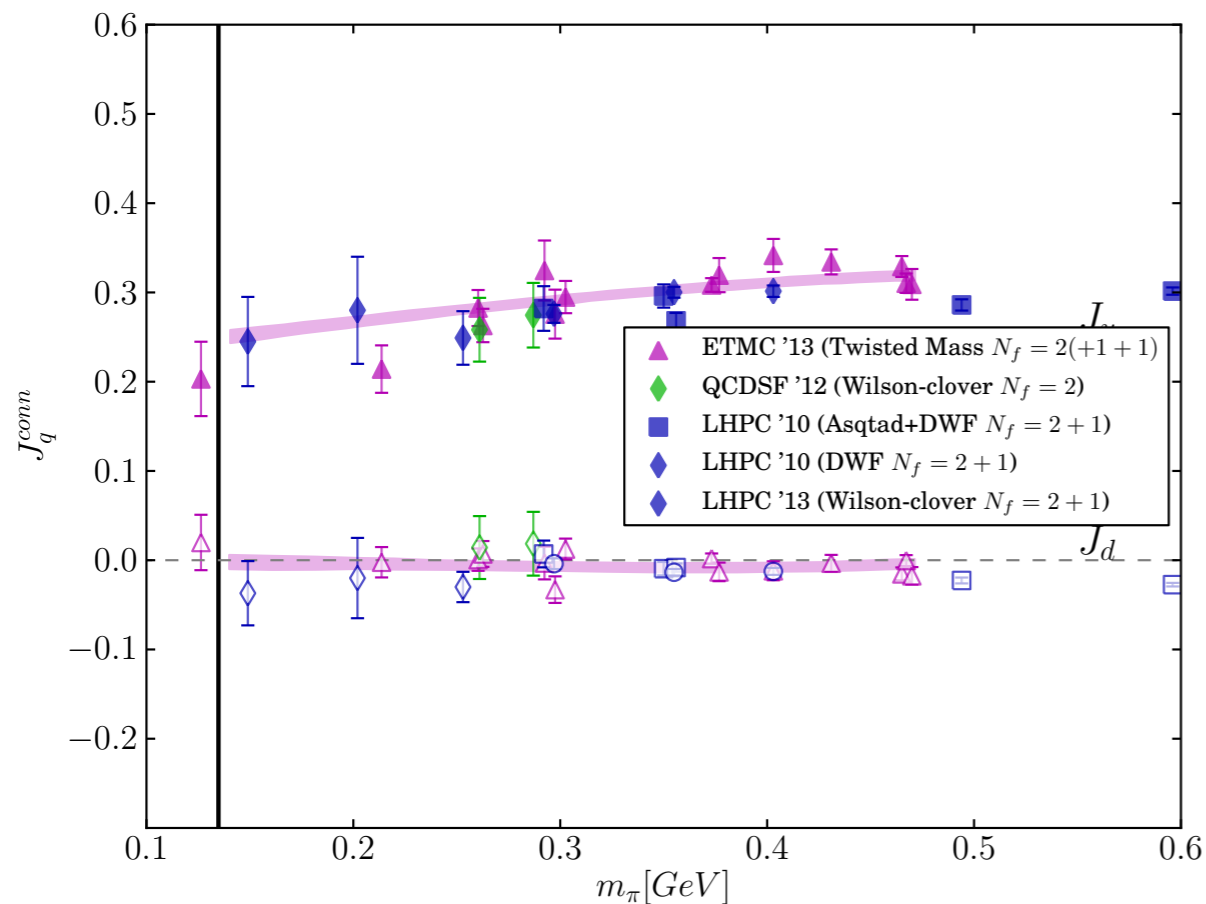
$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= \sum_q A_{20}^q(0) + A_{20}^g(0) \\ &= \sum_q \langle x \rangle_q + \langle x \rangle_g \end{aligned}$$



**Anomalous gravitomagnetic moment**

$$0 = \sum_q B_{20}^q(0) + B_{20}^g(0)$$

# Quark Angular Momentum and Spin (Connected)



$$J_u \approx 40 - 50\% *$$

$$|J_d| \lesssim 10\% *$$

$$|L_{u+d}| \ll \frac{1}{2}\Delta\Sigma_{u+d} *$$

(\*) not including disconnected diagrams!

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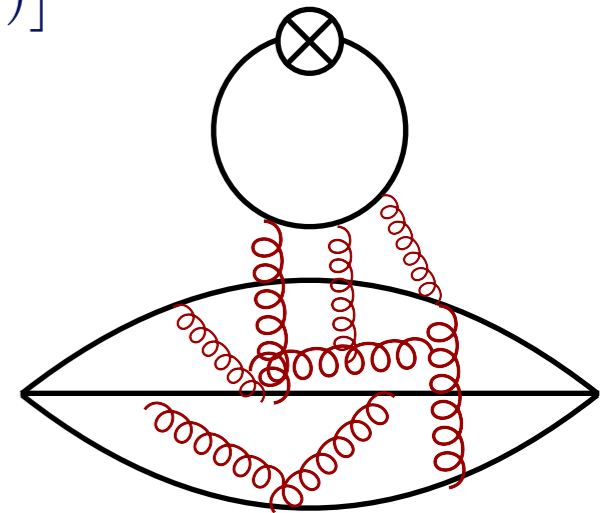
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PRL108, 222001 (arXiv:1112.3354)

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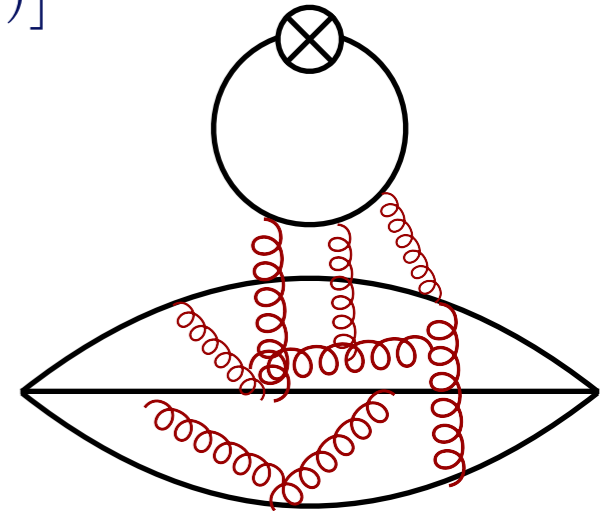
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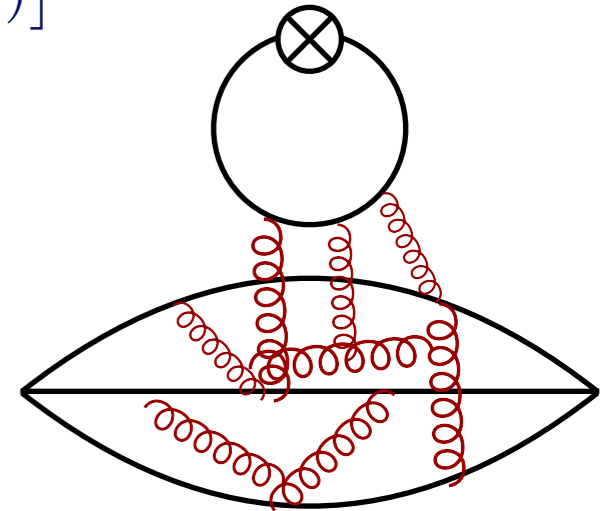
Also allows for full nonperturbative determination of singlet renormalisation constants

$$g_A = Z_A^{\text{NS}} g_A^{\text{latt}}$$

[\[CSSM/QCDSF, arXiv:1410.3078\]](#)

$$\Delta \Sigma = Z_A^{\text{S}} \Delta \Sigma^{\text{latt}}$$

[\[Alternative method using AWI: K.-F. Liu\]](#)



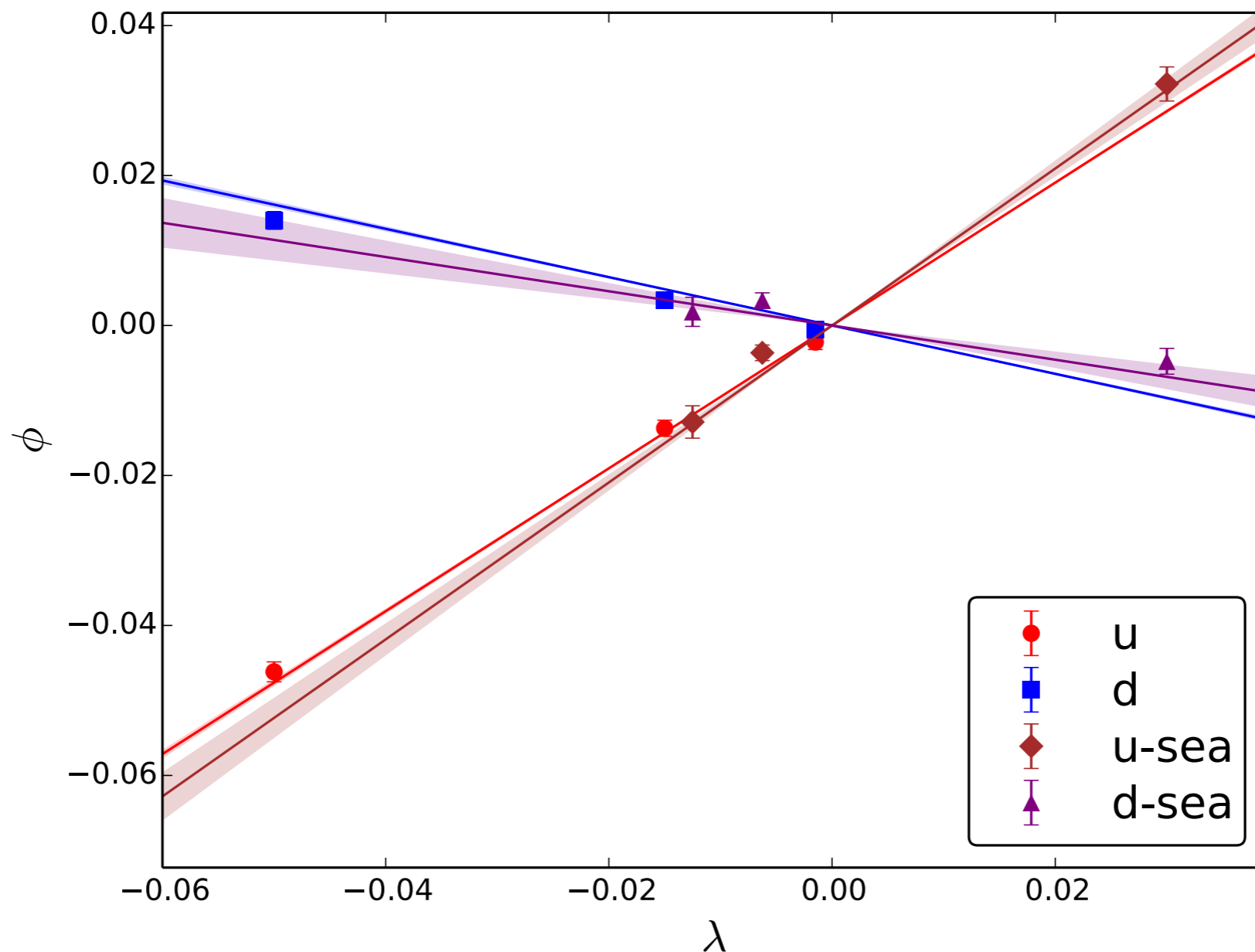


# Disconnected Spin Contributions

**Preliminary!**

[A.Chambers]

SU(3) symmetric point,  $m_\pi \approx 470$  MeV



$\overline{\text{MS}} \mu^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$

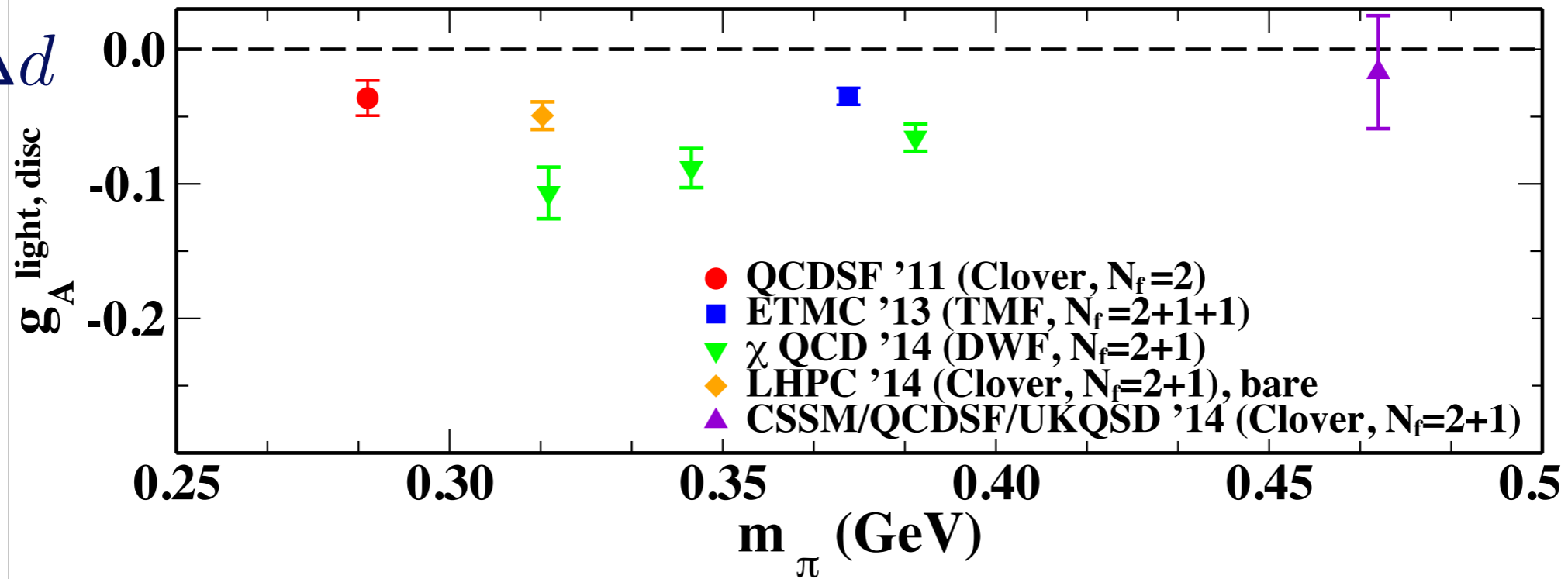
$$\Delta \Sigma_{\text{disc}} = 3 \Delta q_{\text{disc}} = -0.081(46)$$

➔  $\Delta u_{\text{disc}} = \Delta d_{\text{disc}} = \Delta s_{\text{disc}} = -0.025(15)$

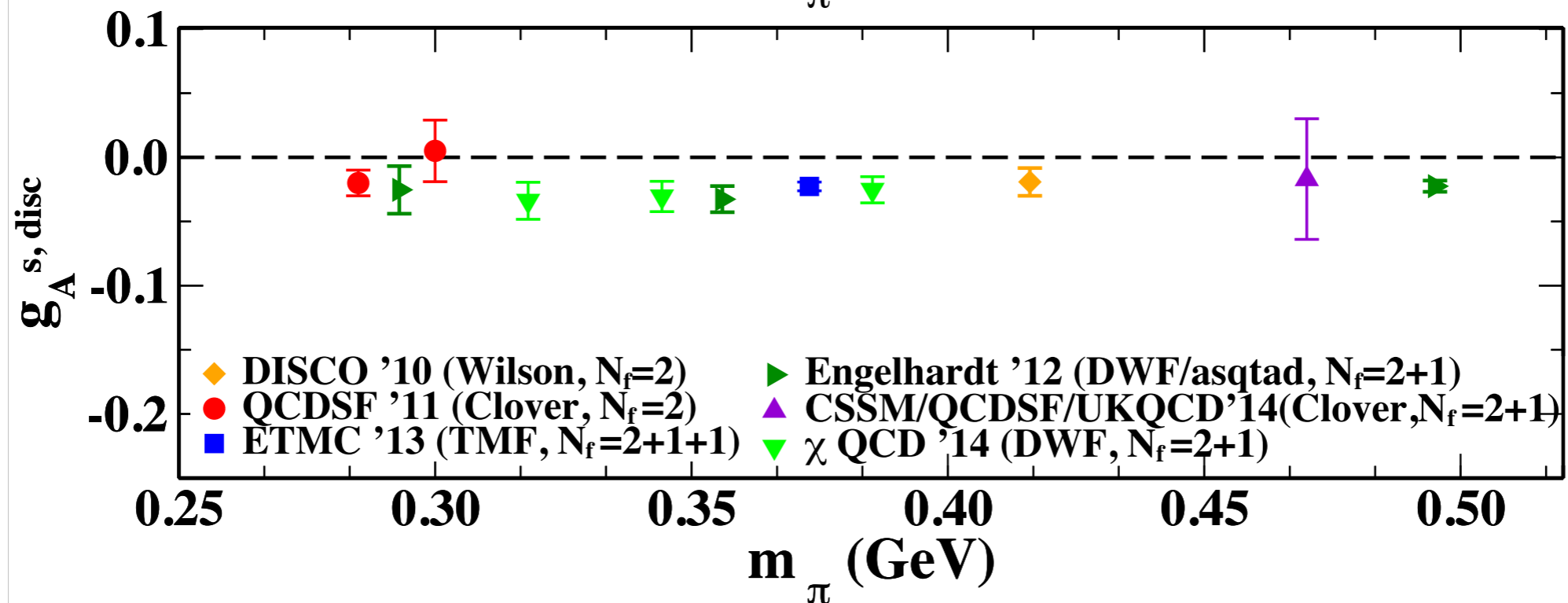
# Disconnected Spin Contributions

M.Constantinou (Lattice 2014)

$$\Delta u = \Delta d$$



$$\Delta s$$



# Other Observables

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**Moments of Parton Distribution Functions**  $\langle x \rangle_{q,g}$

**Moments of Generalised Parton Distribution Functions**

**Sigma terms**  $\sigma_{\pi N}, \sigma_S$

**Moments of TMDs**

**[M.Engelhardt et al.  
PRD 85 (2012) 094510,  
Lattice 2014]**

**Other hadrons**  $(\pi, \Sigma, \Lambda, \dots)$

- Review: Ph. Hägler, 0912.5483
- Lattice review talks
  - 2013: S.Syritsyn 1403.4686

- 2012: H.-W. Lin 1212.6849
- 2011: H. Wittig 1201.4774

# Summary

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**Lattice hadron structure simulations now approaching the physical point**

**Lots of effort in understanding systematic errors (e.g. in  $g_A$ )**

**Form factors are in good shape**

**Small strangeness form factors**

**Small charge symmetry violation**

**Excellent progress in decomposing nucleon spin**

$$\Delta s \sim -5\%$$

$$L_{\text{conn}}^{u+d} \sim 0$$

$$L_{\text{disc}}^q ?$$

[Plenary by K.-F. Liu]