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# Strange Form Factors of the Proton



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# INTRODUCTION

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- Goal: Determine the strange quark contributions to the nucleon form factors
  - Experimental effort to measure precisely these contributions. (HAPEX, G0, A4...)
  - Theoretical work estimate these contributions
  - Lattice QCD calculations for more that 15 years now
  - Give a flavor of the numerical algorithms involved
  - Present some recent results from the LHPC/NME/JLab collaborations
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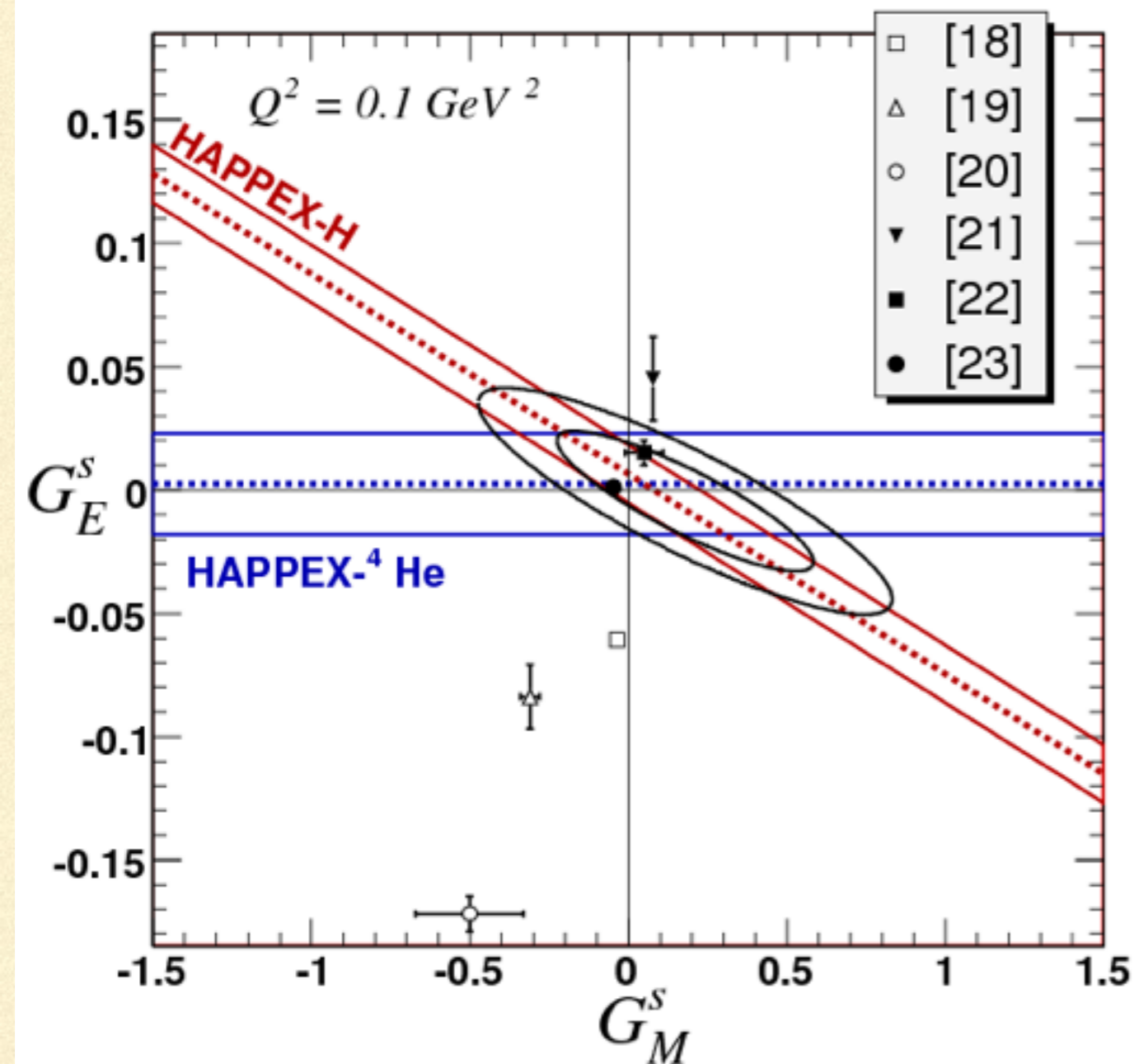
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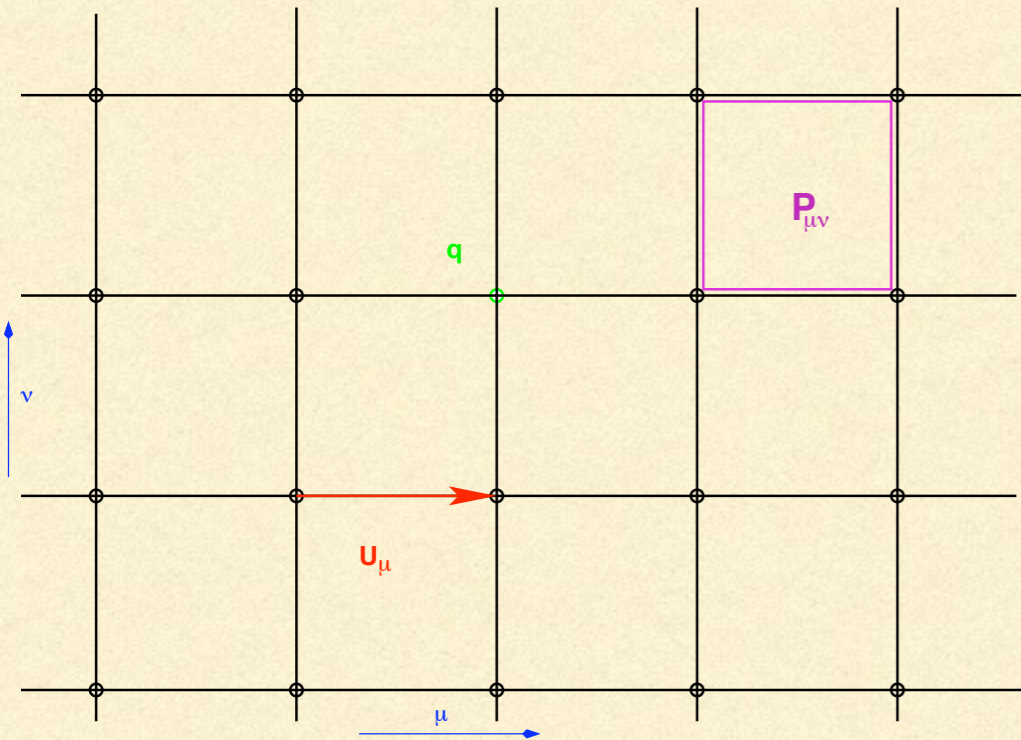
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# LATTICE QCD

In continuous Euclidian space:  $\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}q \mathcal{D}\bar{q} \mathcal{D}A_\mu e^{-S[\bar{q}, q, A_\mu]}$

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{\mathcal{Z}} \int \mathcal{D}q \mathcal{D}\bar{q} \mathcal{D}A_\mu \mathcal{O}(\bar{q}, q, A_\mu) e^{-S[\bar{q}, q, A_\mu]}$$

Lattice regulator:



Gauge sector:

$$U_\mu(x) = e^{-iaA_\mu(x + \frac{\hat{\mu}}{2})}$$

Fermion sector:

$$S_f = \bar{\Psi} D \Psi$$

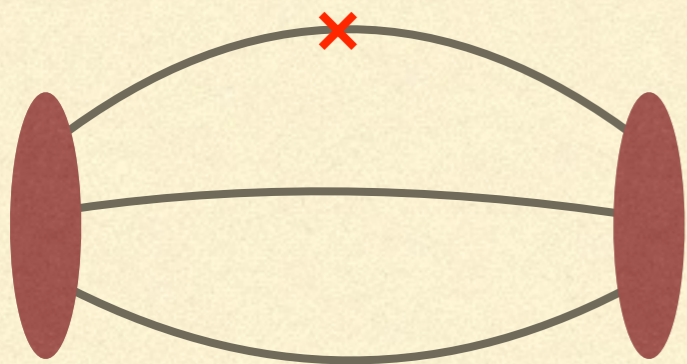
$\Psi$  is now a vector whose components leave on the sites of the lattice

$D$  is the Dirac matrix which is large and sparse

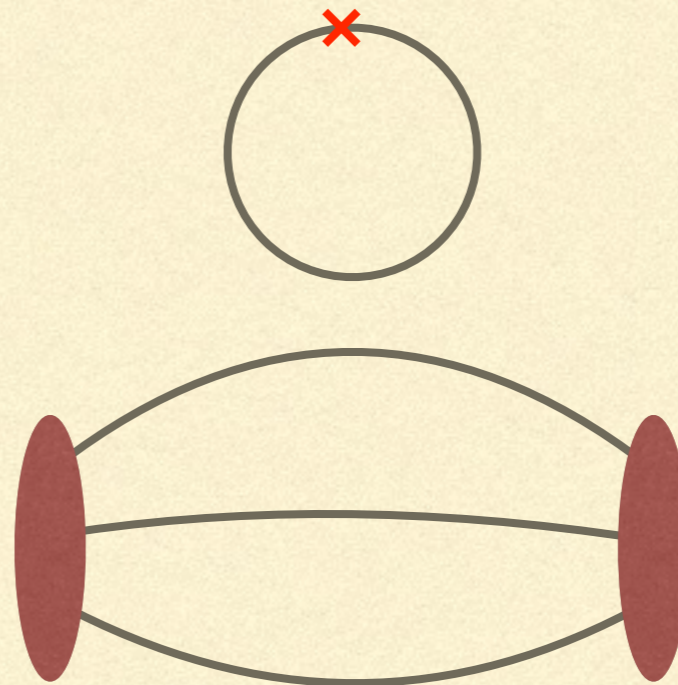
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# NUCLEON FORM FACTOR

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Connected



Disconnected

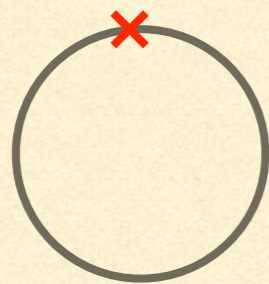
Strange quark : disconnected only

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# DISCONNECTED CONTRIBUTIONS

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$$\text{Tr}(D^{-1}\Gamma)$$

D: is the Dirac matrix

$\Gamma$ : is a spin matrix

D: In lattice QCD is a large space matrix

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# STOCHASTIC TRACE

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$$\text{Tr}(A) \approx \langle \eta^\dagger A \eta \rangle$$

A is related to  $D^{-1}$

$\eta$  is a random vector with components that satisfy

M. F. Hutchinson, *Commun. Statist. Simula.*, 19 (1990)

$$\langle \eta_i^* \eta_j \rangle = \delta_{ij} \quad \text{and} \quad \langle \eta_i \eta_j \rangle = 0$$

For complex  $Z_N$  noise ( $N > 2$ ):

$$\text{Var}(\text{Tr}(A)) = \|\tilde{A}\|_F^2 = \left( \|A\|_F^2 - \sum_{i=1}^L |A_{i,i}|^2 \right) \sim \frac{1}{N_{\text{samples}}}$$

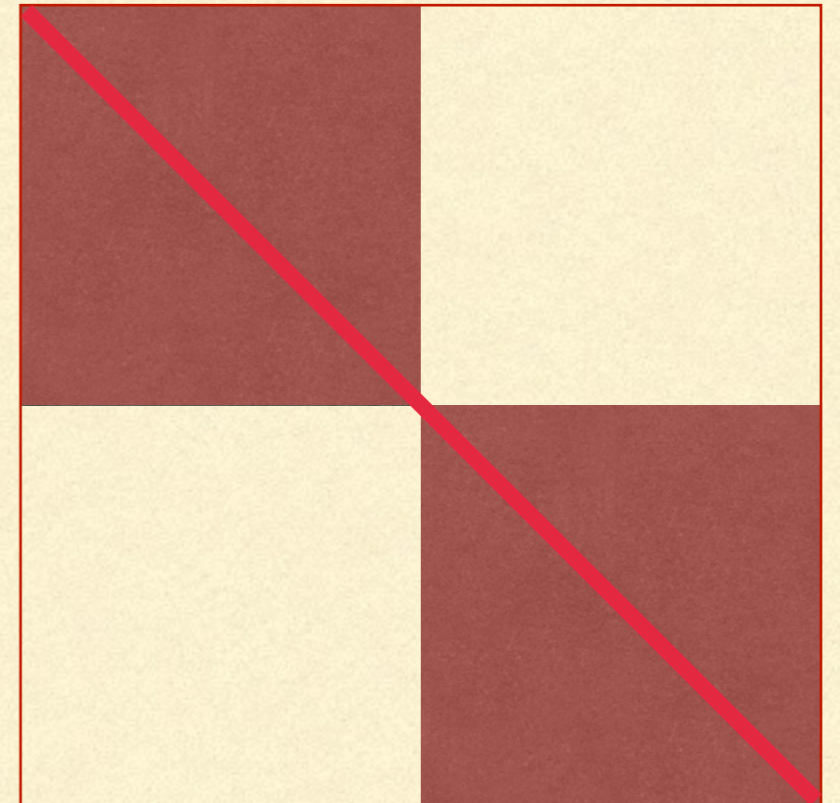
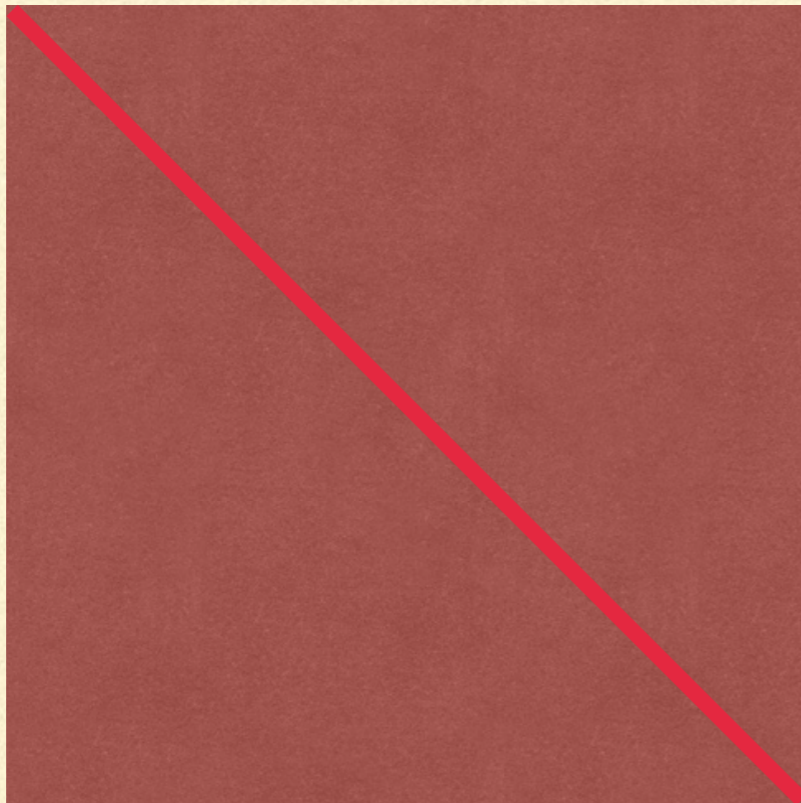
W. M. Wilcox, (1999), arXiv:hep-lat/9911013

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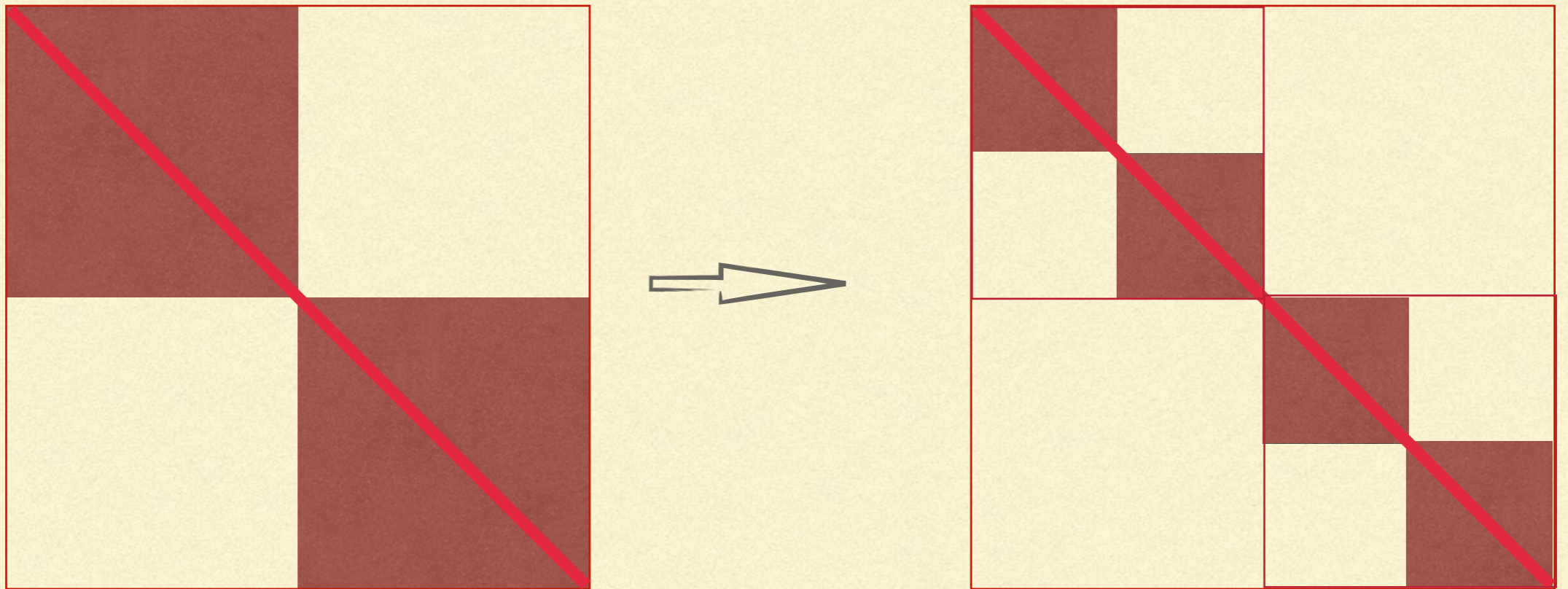


splitting the trace in two reduces variance

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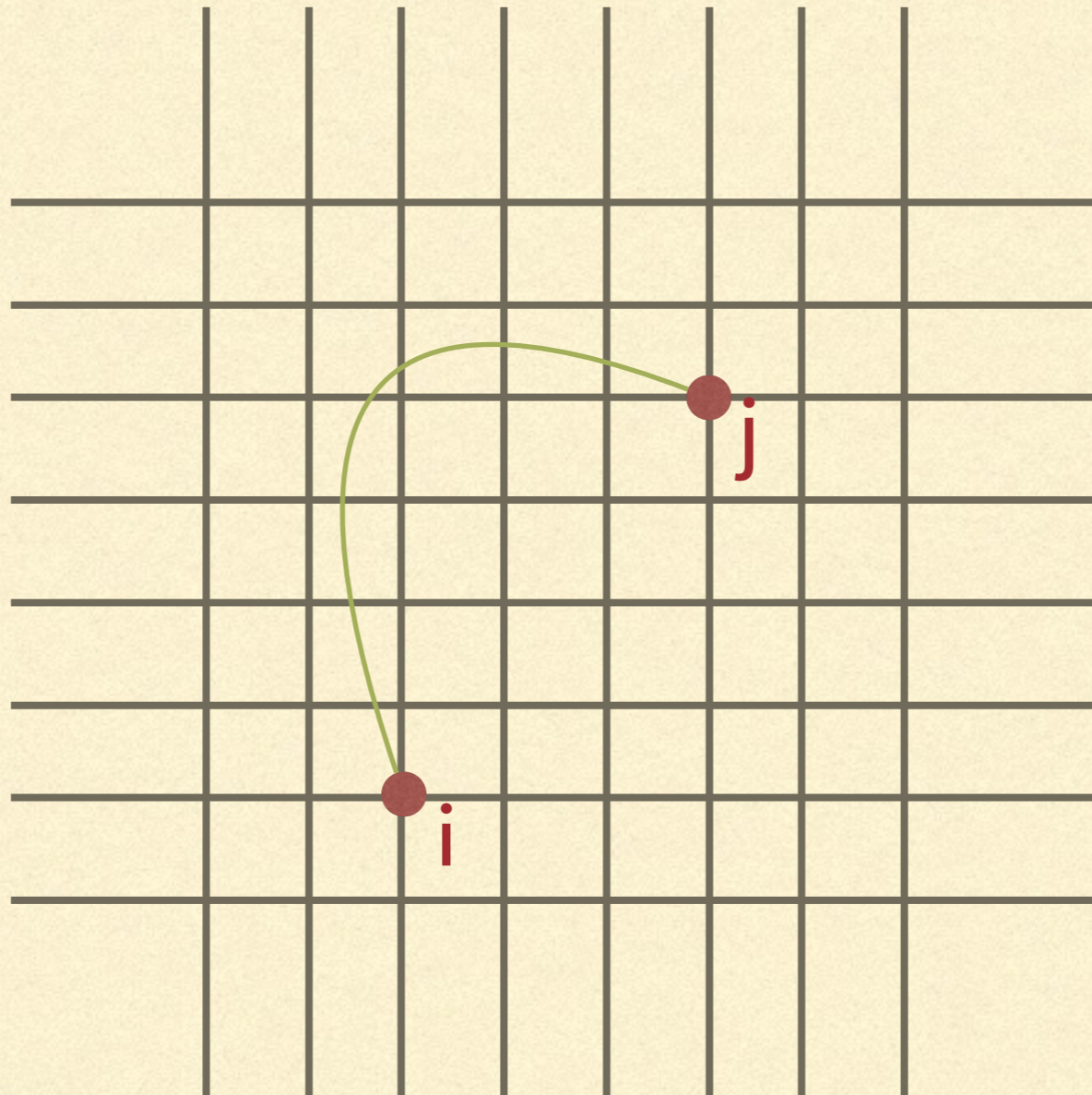


further subdivision reduces variance

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$$\text{Var}(\text{Tr}(A)) = \|\tilde{A}\|_F^2 = \left( \|A\|_F^2 - \sum_{i=1}^L |A_{i,i}|^2 \right)$$



$D^{-1}_{ij}$  is the quark propagator from point  $i$  to point  $j$   
 $i$   $j$  points that are close contribute most to the variance

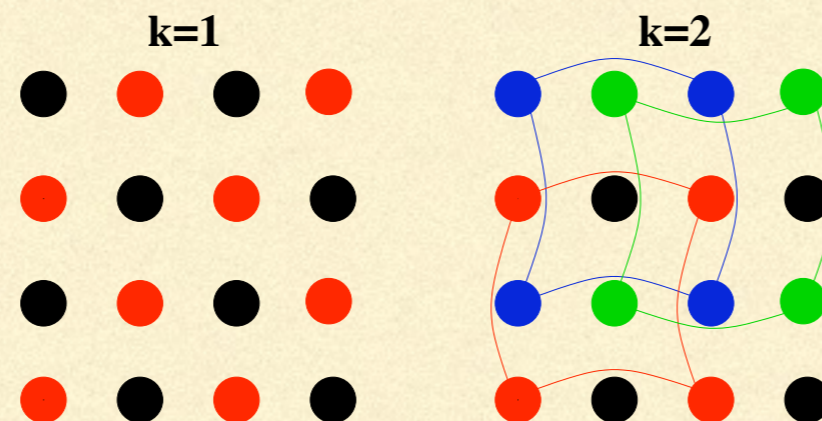
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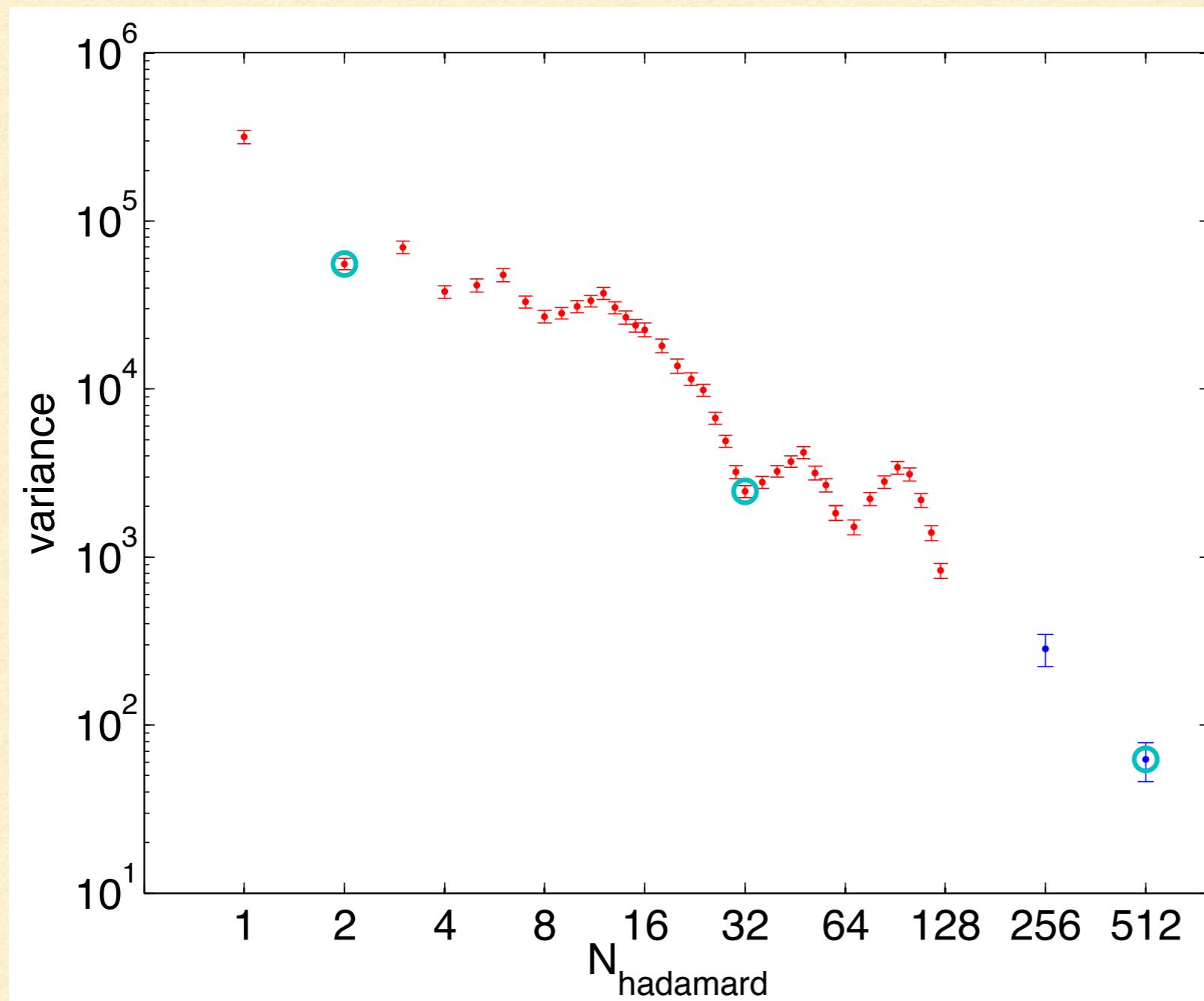
# HIERARCHICAL PROBING

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- Decompose (color) the lattice points according to distance
- Estimate the trace of each subdomain stochastically
- Choose a nested coloring so that one can continuously improve the approximation



# Hierarchical probing variance reduction

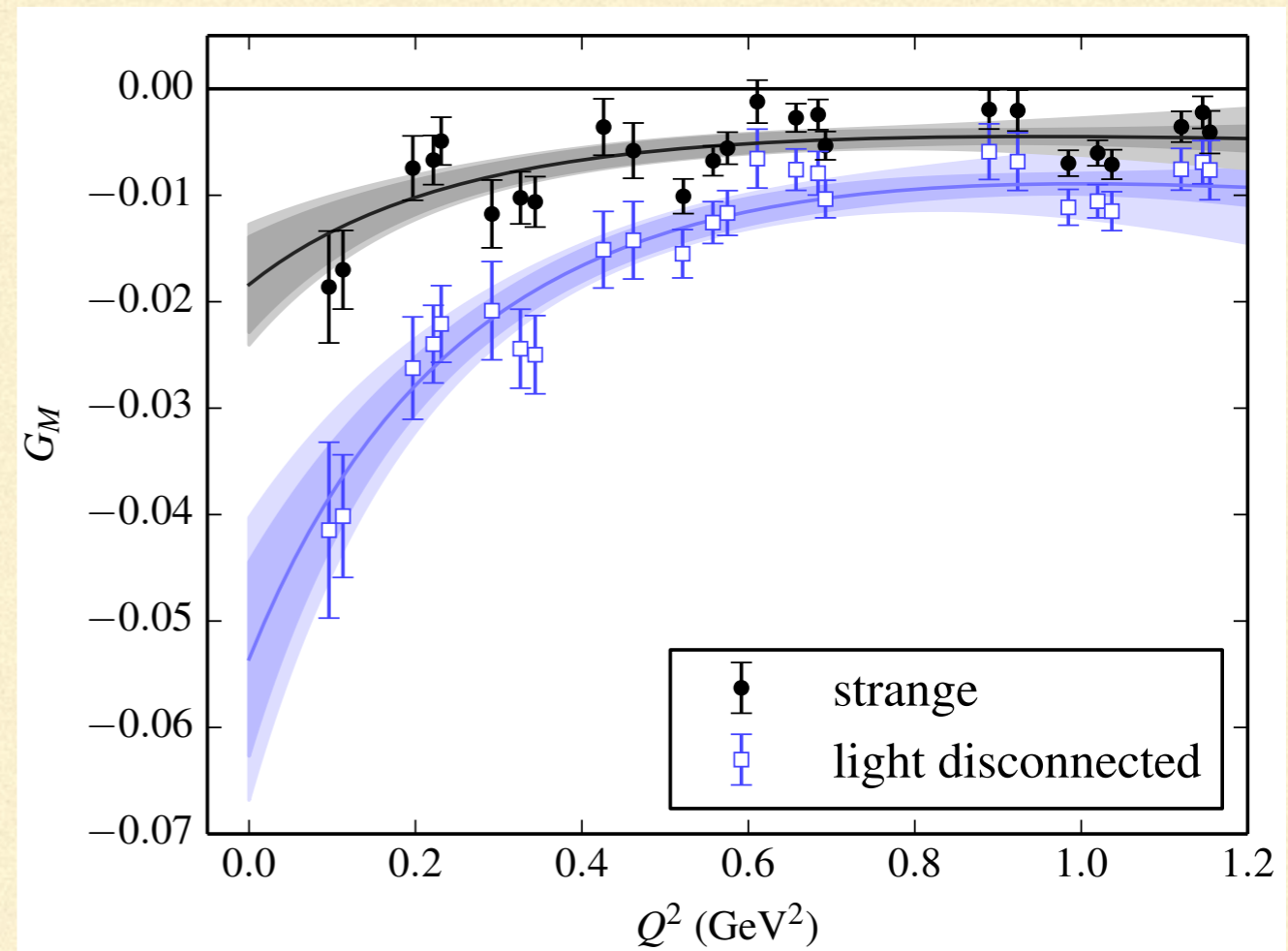
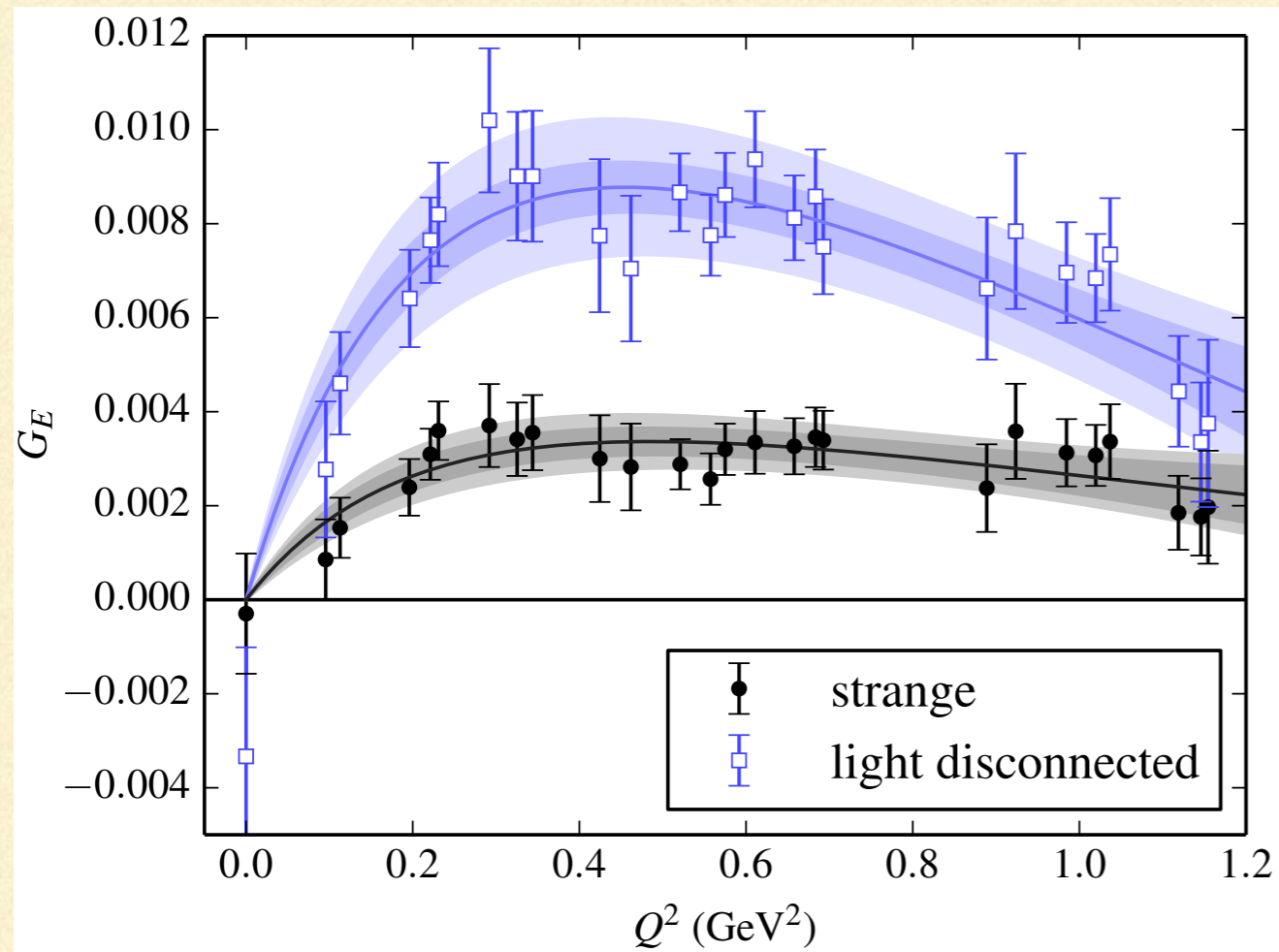


single gauge field conf.  
 $a=0.08\text{fm}$

quark mass tuned to  
physical strange quark mass

circles mark the color closing points

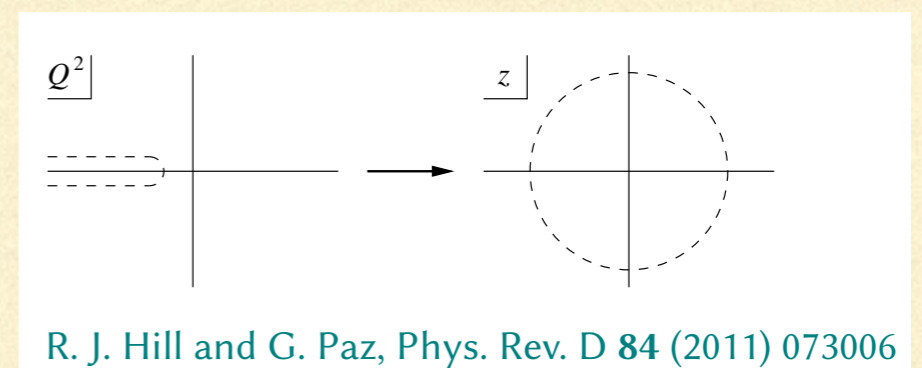
# Disconnected contribution to nucleon form factors



dynamical 2 + 1 flavors of Clover fermions

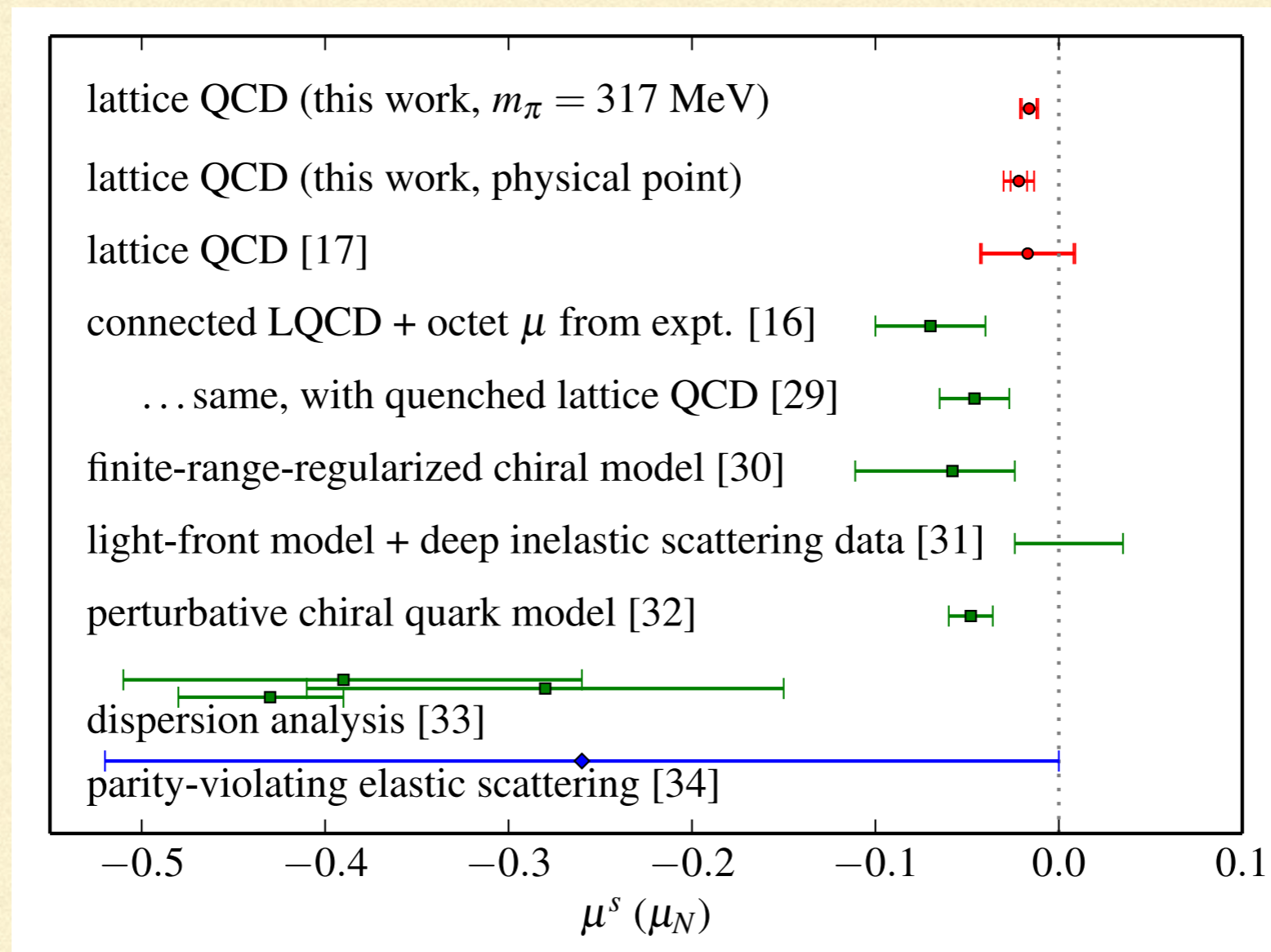
$32^3 \times 96$  lattice of dimensions  $(3.6 \text{ fm})^3 \times (10.9 \text{ fm})$

$a=0.115 \text{ fm}$ , pion mass 317 MeV



z-expansion fit: 
$$G(Q^2) = \sum_k^{k_{\max}} a_k z^k, \quad z = \frac{\sqrt{t_{\text{cut}} + Q^2} - \sqrt{t_{\text{cut}}}}{\sqrt{t_{\text{cut}} + Q^2} + \sqrt{t_{\text{cut}}}}$$

# strange magnetic moment



## extrapolation to physical point

$$(r_E^2)^s = -0.0067(10)(17)(15) \text{ fm}^2,$$

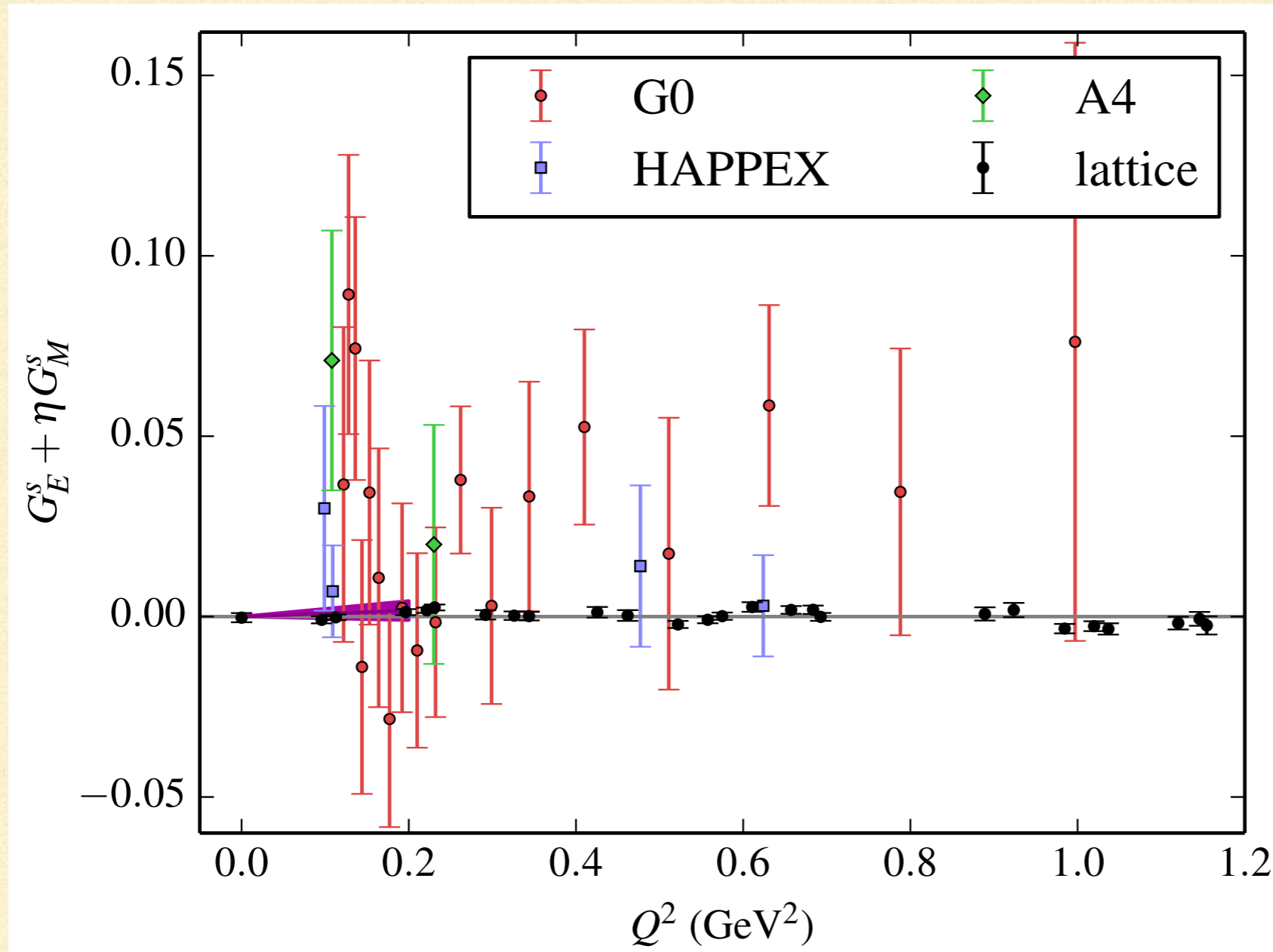
$$(r_M^2)^s = -0.018(6)(5)(5) \text{ fm}^2,$$

$$\mu^s = -0.022(4)(4)(6) \mu_N,$$

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# Comparison with experiments



Experiment: forward-angle parity-violating elastic e-p scattering

$$G_E^s + \eta G_M^s \quad \eta = A Q^2, \quad A = 0.94$$

Prediction: very hard for such experiments to measure a non-zero result



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# FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS

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- Hierarchical probing works because of the exponential decay of the matrix elements of the Dirac matrix inverse
  - Light quark masses result slower decay
  - Largest contributions to the trace are from low modes
    - Compute those exactly: Deflation
    - Stochastically estimate the rest
- C. Morningstar et al. Phys.Rev. D83 (2011) 114505
- Re-examined this idea, model the effectiveness and combine it with hierarchical probing

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# HP WITH DEFLATION

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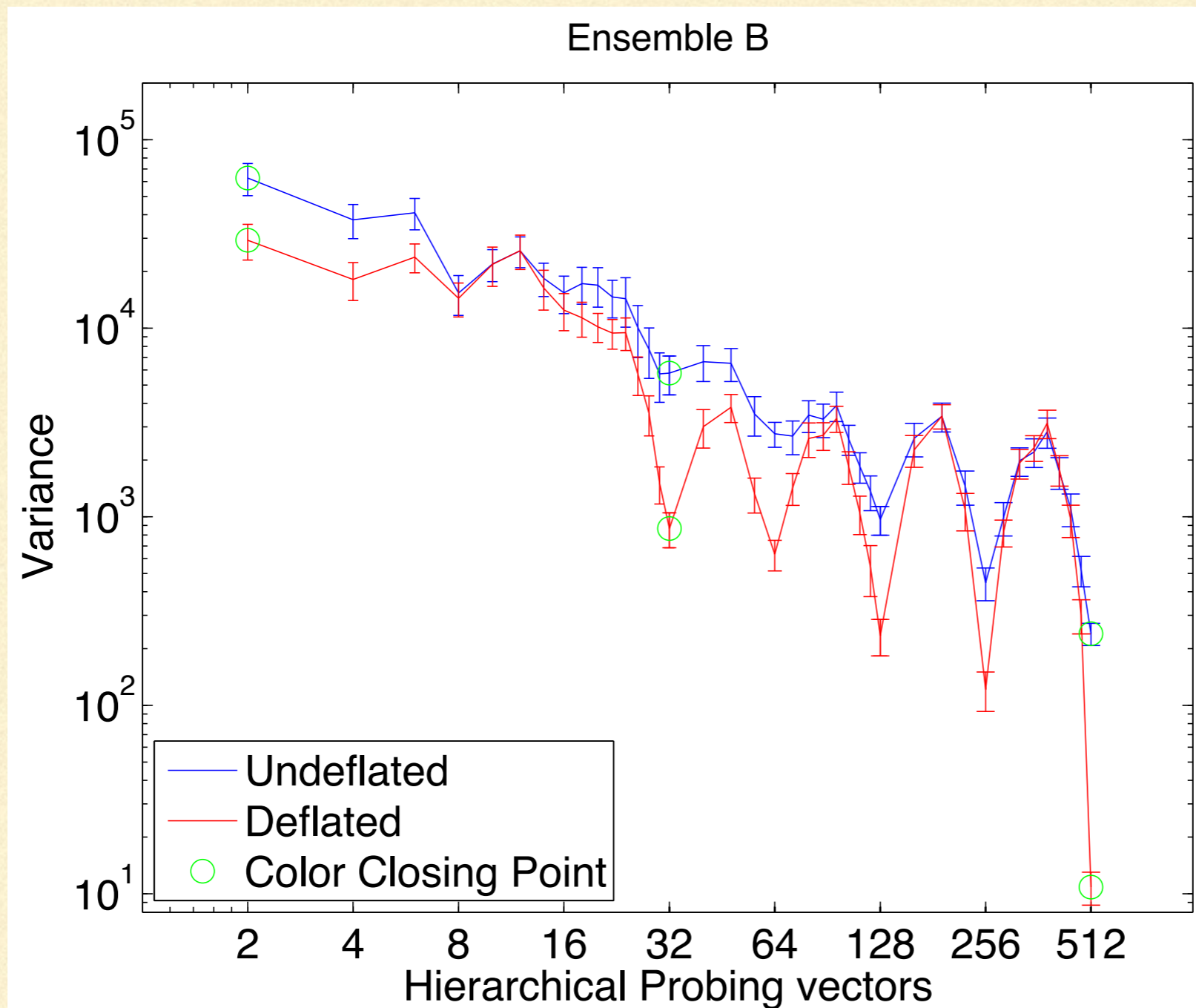
$$\text{Tr}(A^{-1}) = \text{Tr}(A_D^{-1}) + \text{Tr}(A_R^{-1}) = \text{Tr}(V\Sigma^{-1}U^\dagger) + \text{Tr}(A^{-1} - V\Sigma^{-1}U^\dagger)$$

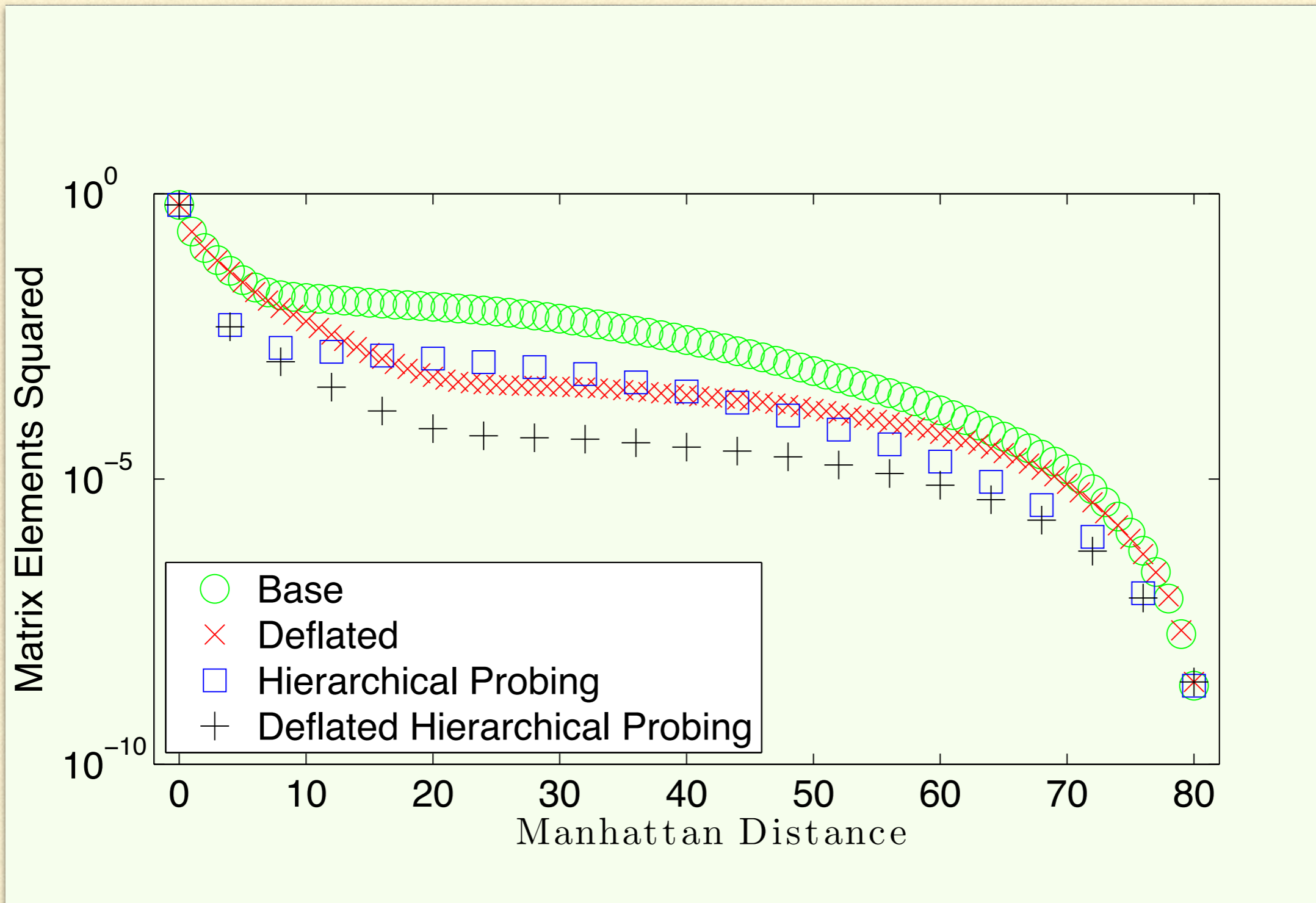
$V, U$  singular vectors of  $A$   
 $\Sigma$  the singular values

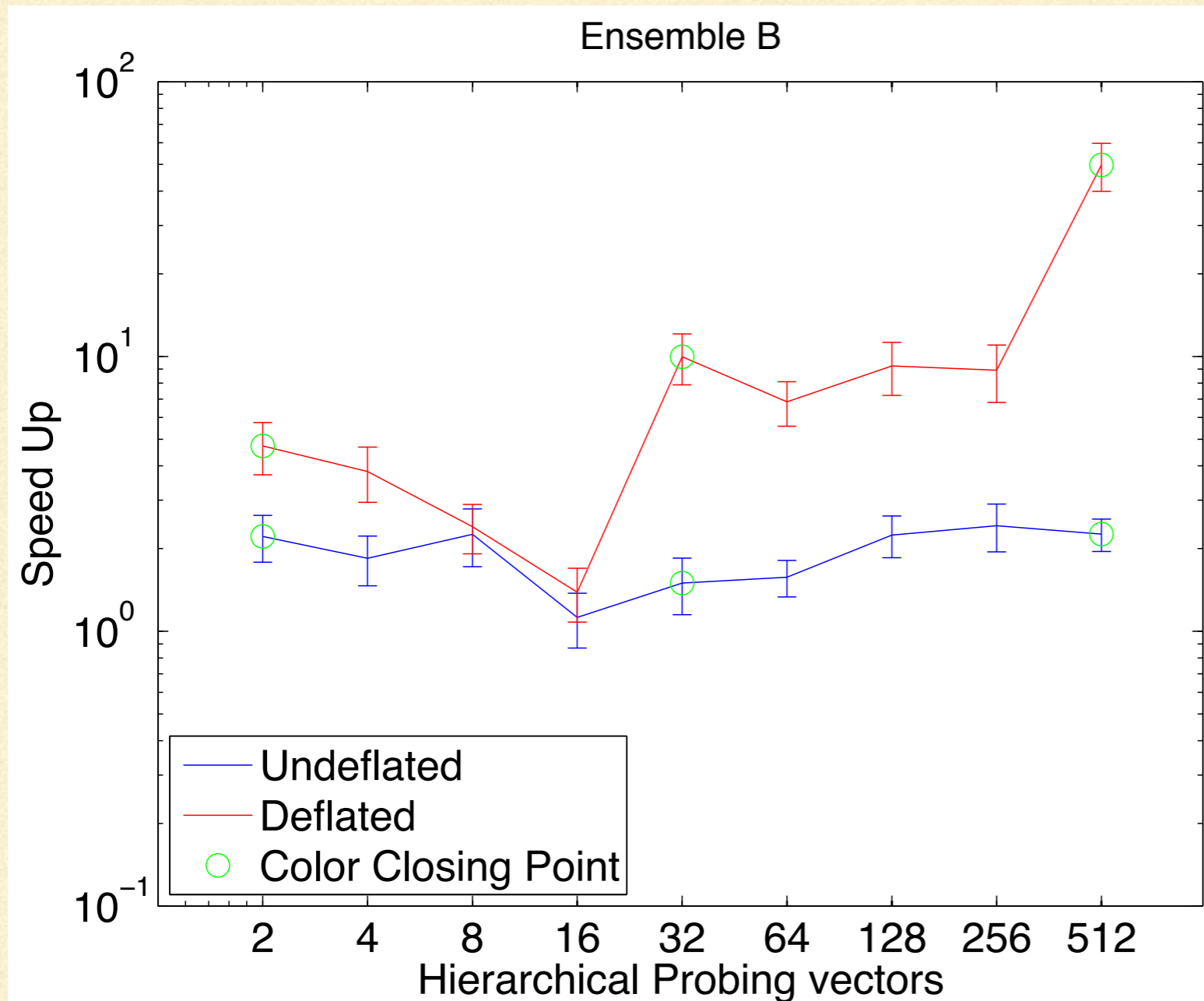
Estimate stochastically the second term

One can understand analytically and model the effectiveness of deflation

Conclusion: Results depend on the spectrum of singular values of  $A$ .  
Deflation is not always effective.



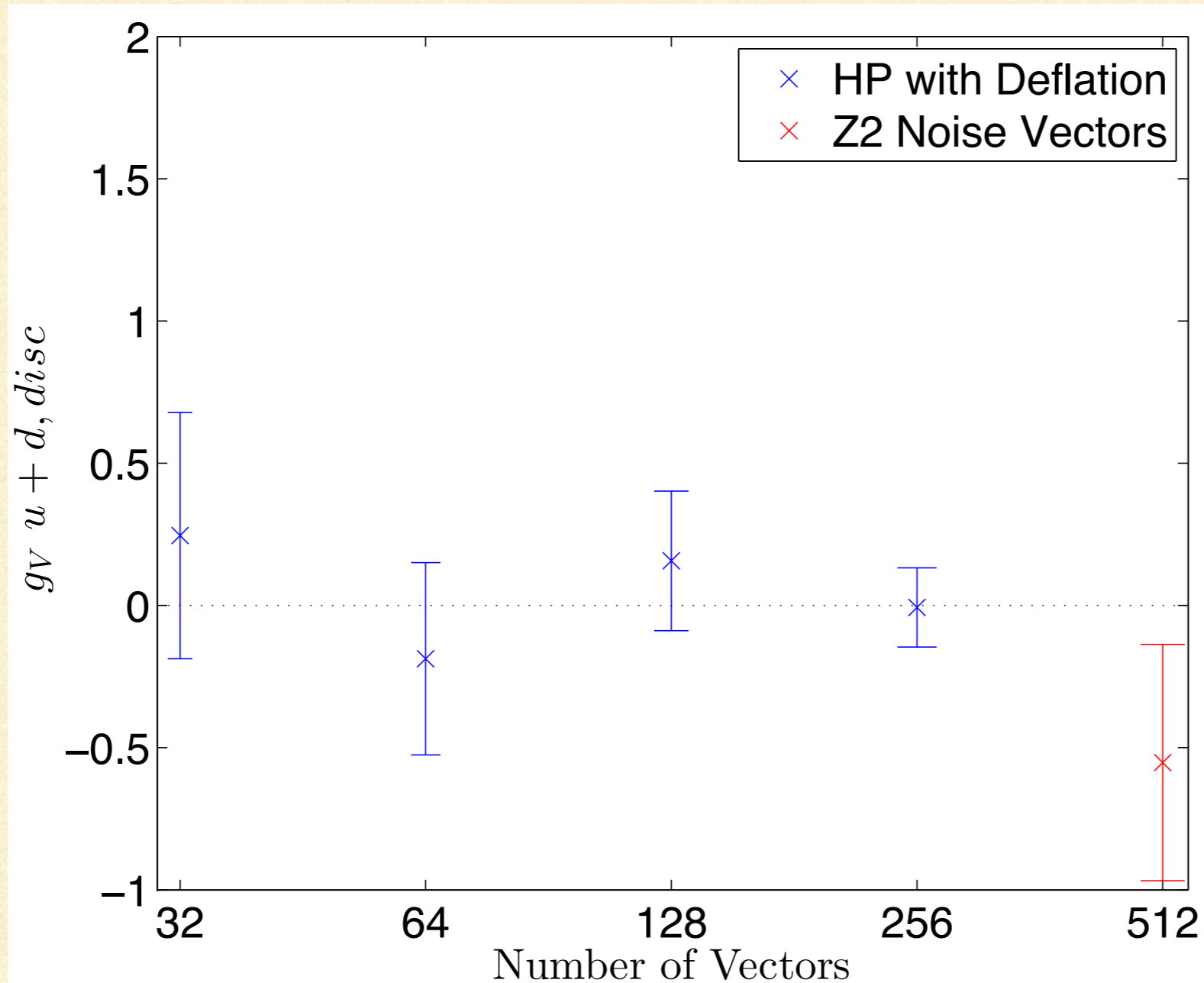




$$\text{SpeedUp} = \frac{V_{stoc}}{V_{hp}(s) \times s}$$

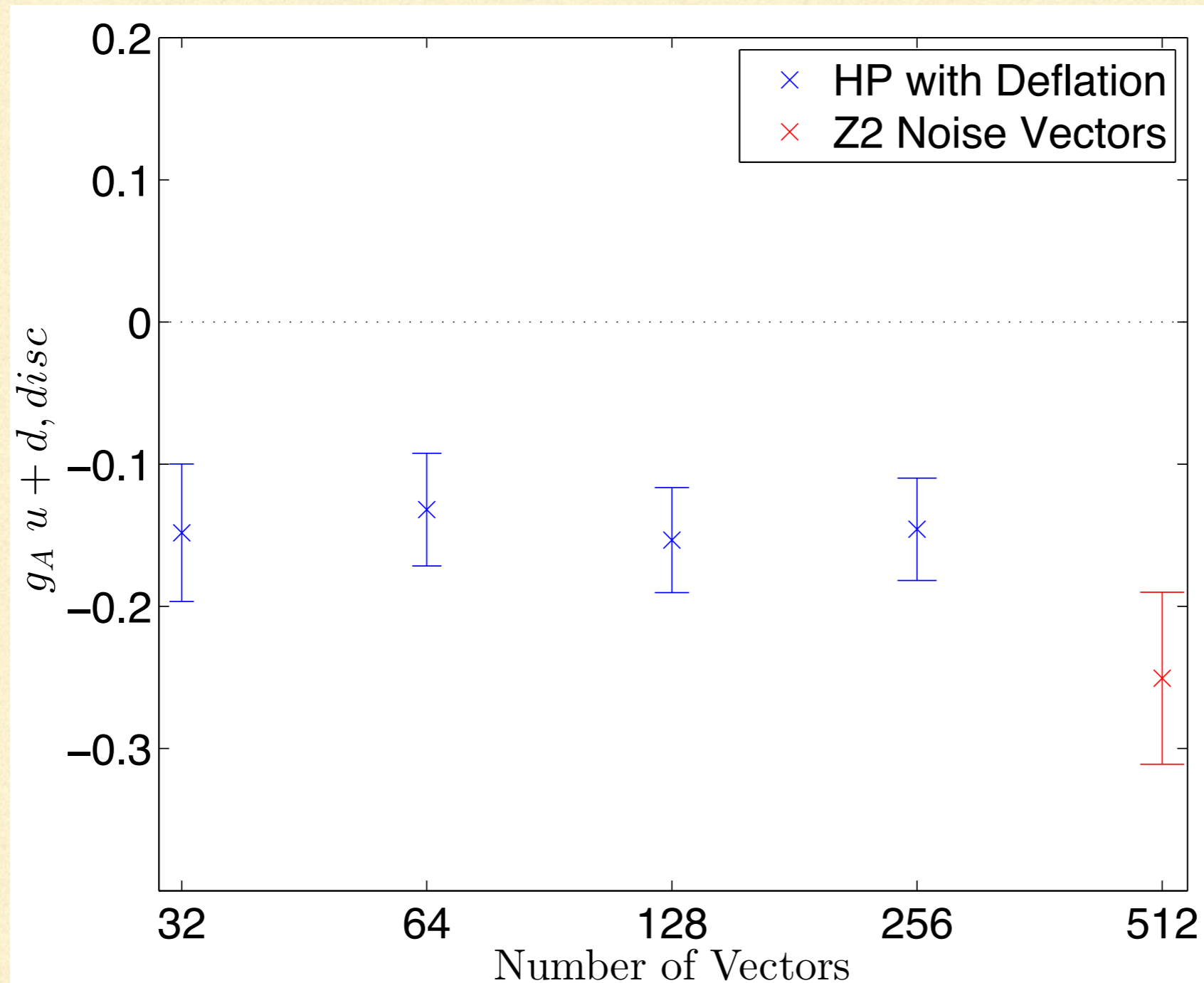
where  $V_{stoc}$  is variance of a stochastic estimator,

$V_{hp}(s)$  is variance of HP + Deflation for the  $s$ -th probing vector



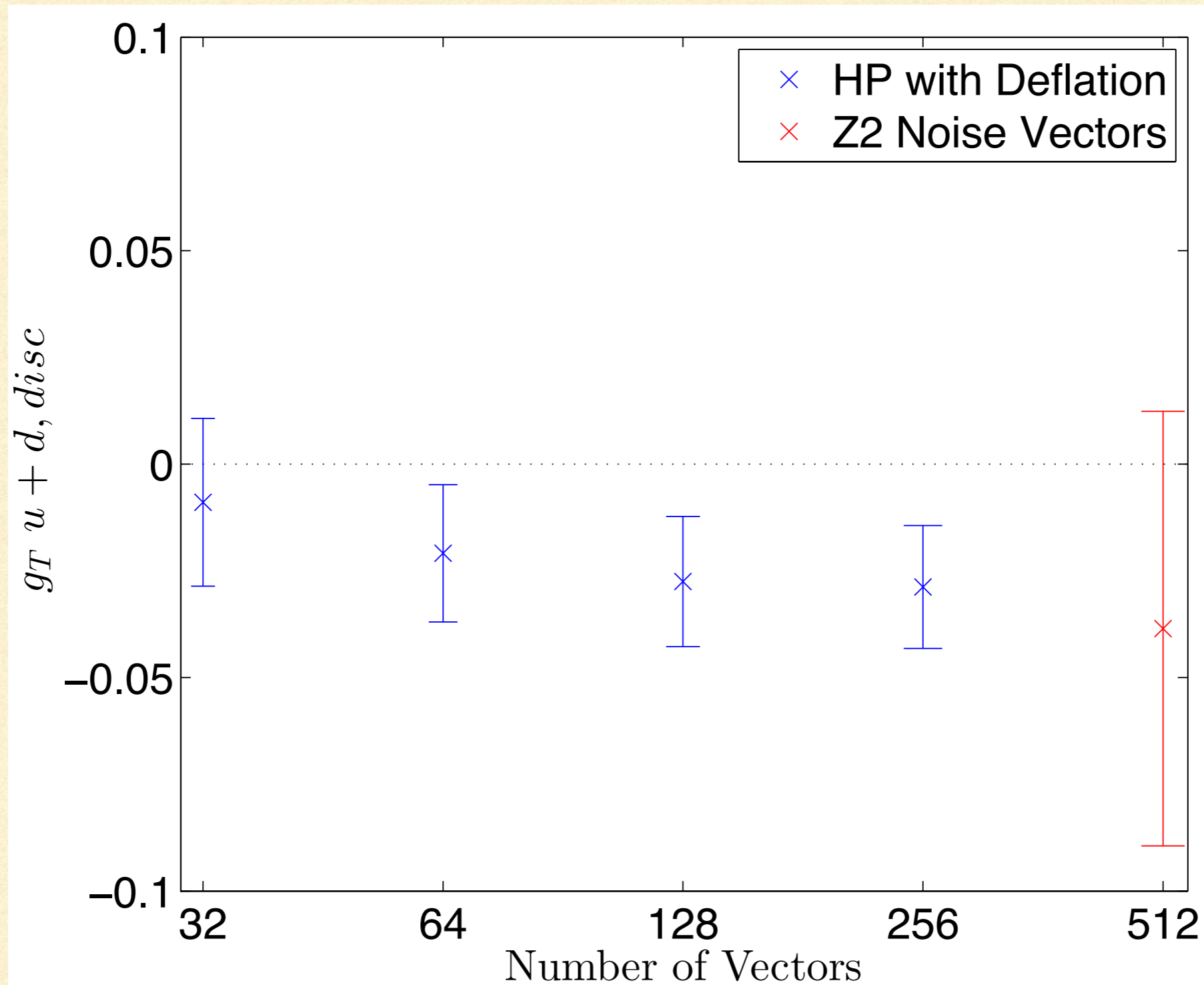
100 configs

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# CONCLUSIONS

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- Progress has been made in the numerical methods needed for disconnected diagram calculations
  - Further improvements are on the way
    - Multi-level algorithms
  - Presented results on disconnected contributions to vector form factors
  - Corresponding results for axial vector are forthcoming (J. Green Lattice 2016)
  - Lattice QCD results represent the most accurate theoretical determinations of sea quark effects
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