

Form factor calculations for mesonic and baryonic systems

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Motivation & Outline

Form factors:

- provide information on **hadron structure**:
 - distribution of electric charge and magnetisation; **charge radii**
 - accurate experimental data available
 - relatively simple to compute on the lattice:
 - precise lattice estimates for $K_{\ell 3}$ -decays
[A. Vladikas @ Lat10]
 - Large systematic uncertainties remain for **baryonic** form factors
- ⇒ “Next-generation benchmark” for lattice QCD

Outline:

1. Lattice Set-up
2. Pion electromagnetic form factor
3. Form factors and axial charge of the nucleon
4. Hadronic vacuum polarisation and $(g - 2)_\mu$
5. Summary & Outlook

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Berlin – CERN – Madrid – Mainz – Milan – Rome – Valencia – Wuppertal – Zeuthen
- Share configurations and technology

CLS run tables

- $N_f = 2$ flavours of non-perturbatively $O(a)$ improved Wilson quarks
- Use deflation accelerated DD-HMC algorithm *[Lüscher 2003–07]*
- Generated ensembles without serious topology problems:

β	a [fm]	lattice	L [fm]	masses	$m_\pi L$	Labels
5.20	0.08	64×32^3	2.6	4 masses	4.8 – 9.0	A1 – A4
5.30	0.07	48×24^3	1.7	3 masses	4.6 – 7.9	D1 – D3
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[Capitani, Della Morte, Endreß, Jüttner, Knippschild, H.W., Zambrana @ Lattice 2009, arXiv:0910.5578]

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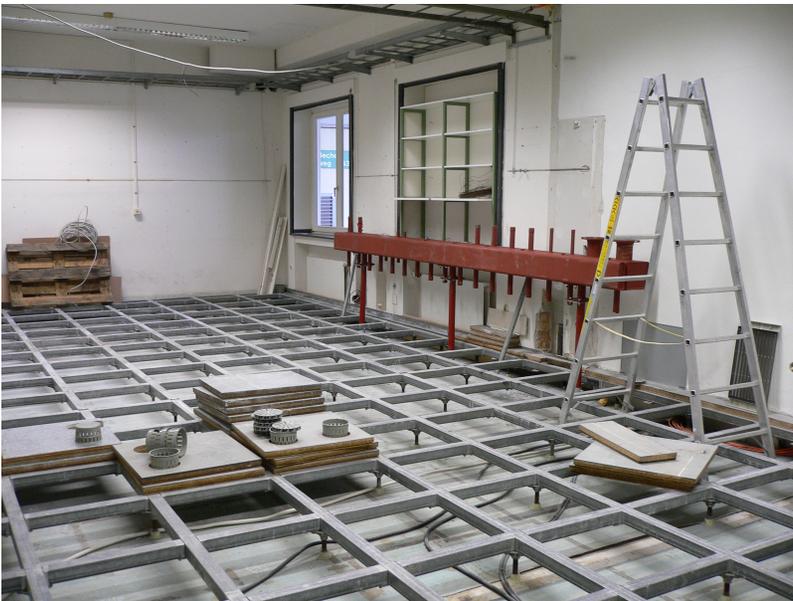
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Scale setting

- Use mass of the Ω -baryon to set the scale
- Determine am_Ω from Jacobi smeared-local correlator

$$\rightarrow \beta = 5.5 : \quad a_\Omega = 0.053(1) \text{ fm} \quad (\text{preliminary})$$

- Determination of am_Ω still on-going at $\beta = 5.3$

$$\beta = 5.3 : \quad "a_\Omega" = \left(\frac{a_{\text{ref}}(\beta = 5.3)}{a_{\text{ref}}(\beta = 5.5)} \right) 0.053(1) \text{ fm} = 0.069(2) \text{ fm} \quad (\text{preliminary})$$

- To come: comparison with r_0, f_K, t_0

2. The pion form factor

- Provides information on pion structure:

$$\langle \pi^+(\vec{p}_f) | \frac{2}{3} \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{3} \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d | \pi^+(\vec{p}_i) \rangle = (p_f + p_i)_\mu f_\pi(q^2)$$

$$q^2 = (p_f - p_i)^2 : \quad \text{momentum transfer}$$

- Pion charge radius derived from form factor at zero q^2 :

$$f_\pi(q^2) = 1 - \frac{1}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle q^2 + O(q^4) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \langle r^2 \rangle = 6 \left. \frac{df_\pi(q^2)}{dq^2} \right|_{q^2=0}$$

- Restriction on minimum accessible momentum transfer:

$$\vec{p}_{i,f} = \vec{n} \frac{2\pi}{L} \quad \Rightarrow \quad |q^2| \geq 2m_\pi \left(m_\pi - \sqrt{m_\pi^2 + (2\pi/L)^2} \right)$$

$$L = 2.5 \text{ fm}, \quad m_\pi = 300 \text{ MeV} \quad \Rightarrow \quad |q^2| \geq 0.17 \text{ GeV}^2 = (0.41 \text{ GeV})^2$$

→ Lack of accurate data points near $q^2 = 0$

Twisted boundary conditions

[Bedaque 2004; de Divitiis, Petronzio & Tantalò 2004; Flynn, Jüttner & Sachrajda 2005]

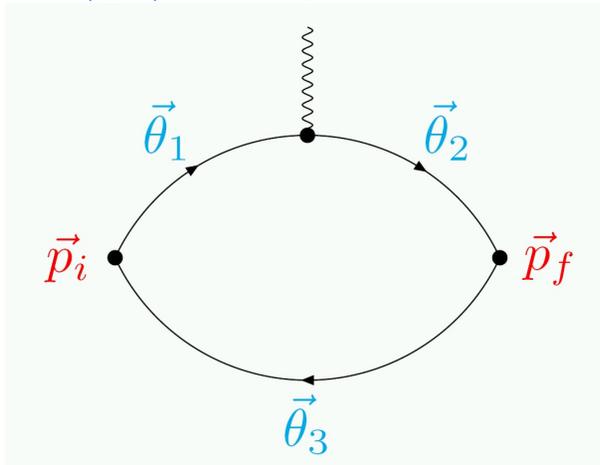
- Apply “twisted” spatial boundary conditions;

Impose periodicity up to a phase $\vec{\theta}$:

$$\psi(x + L\hat{e}_k) = e^{i\theta_k}\psi(x) \quad \Rightarrow \quad p_k = n_k \frac{2\pi}{L} + \frac{\theta_k}{L}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3$$

- Can tune $|q^2|$ to any desired value

[Boyle, Flynn, Jüttner, Sachrajda, Zanotti, hep-lat/0703005]



$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\theta}_i &= \vec{\theta}_1 - \vec{\theta}_3, \\ \vec{\theta}_f &= \vec{\theta}_2 - \vec{\theta}_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow q^2 = (p_i - p_f)^2 = \left(E_\pi(\vec{p}_i) - E_\pi(\vec{p}_f) \right)^2 - \left[\left(\vec{p}_i + \frac{\vec{\theta}_i}{L} \right) - \left(\vec{p}_f + \frac{\vec{\theta}_f}{L} \right) \right]^2$$

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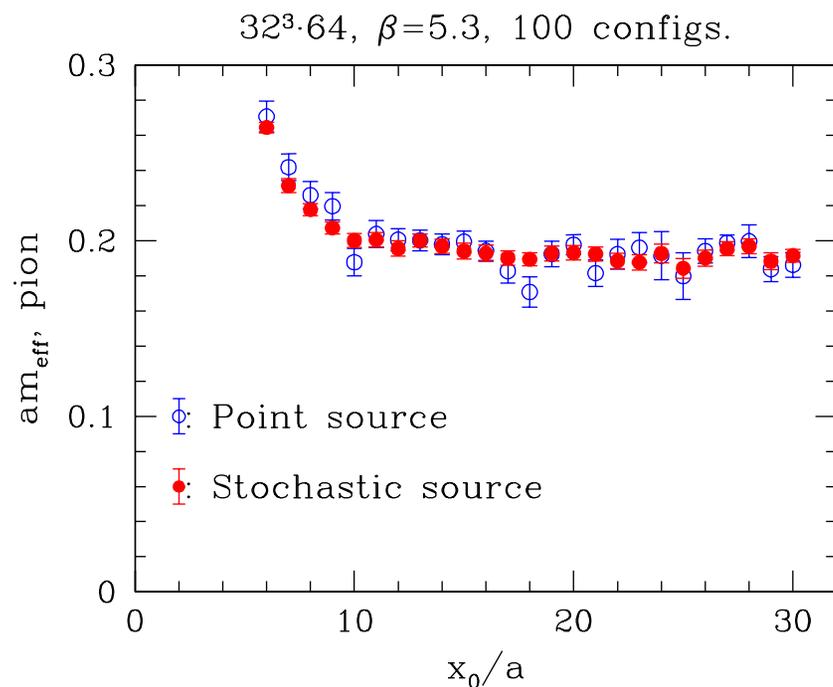
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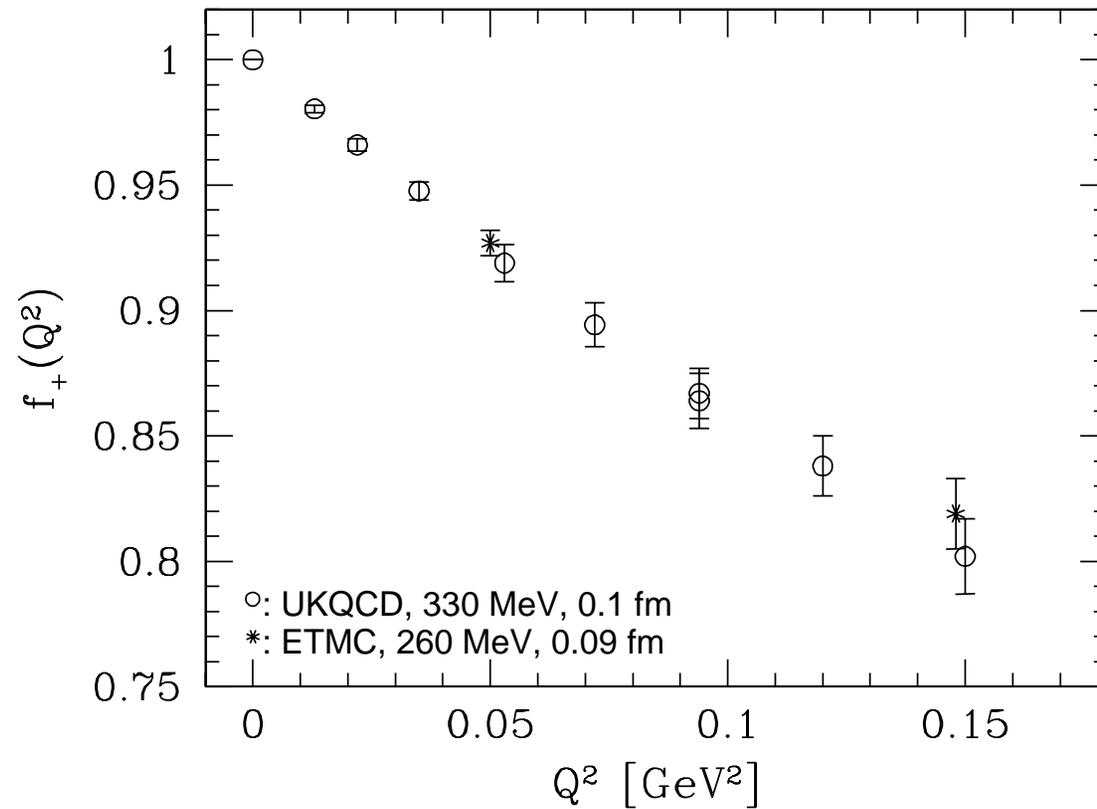
[E. Endreß, Diploma thesis, 2009]



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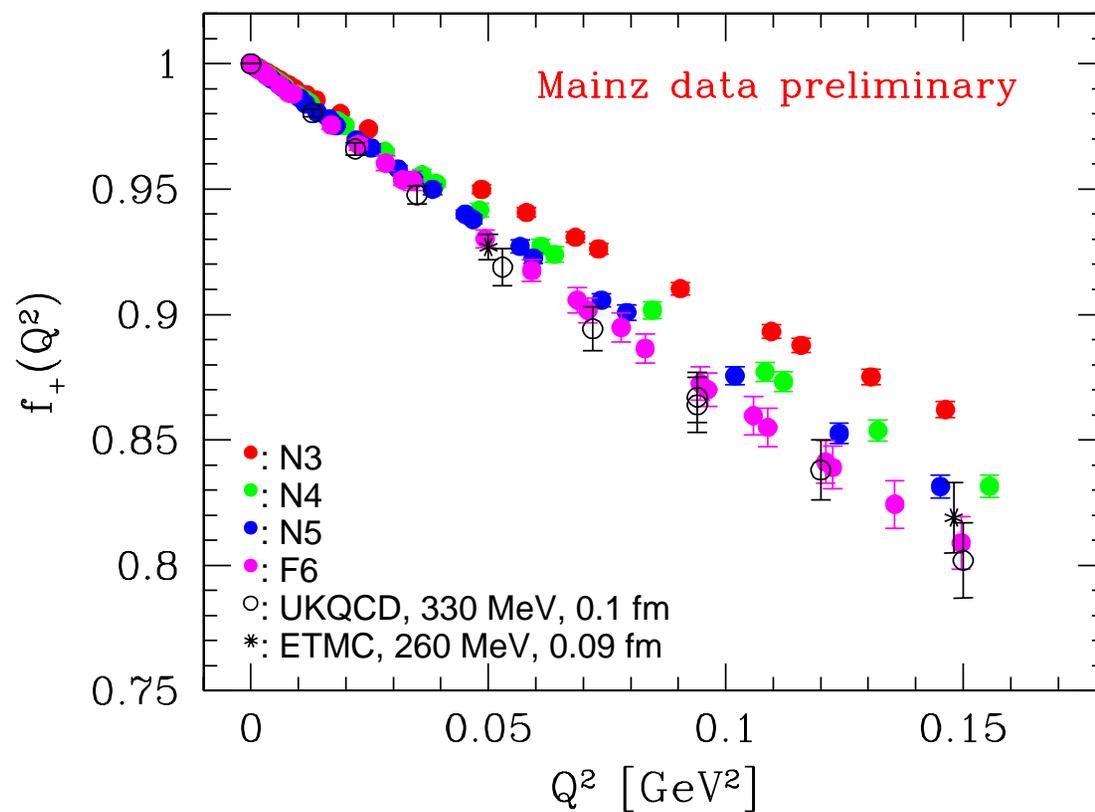
- Recently published results



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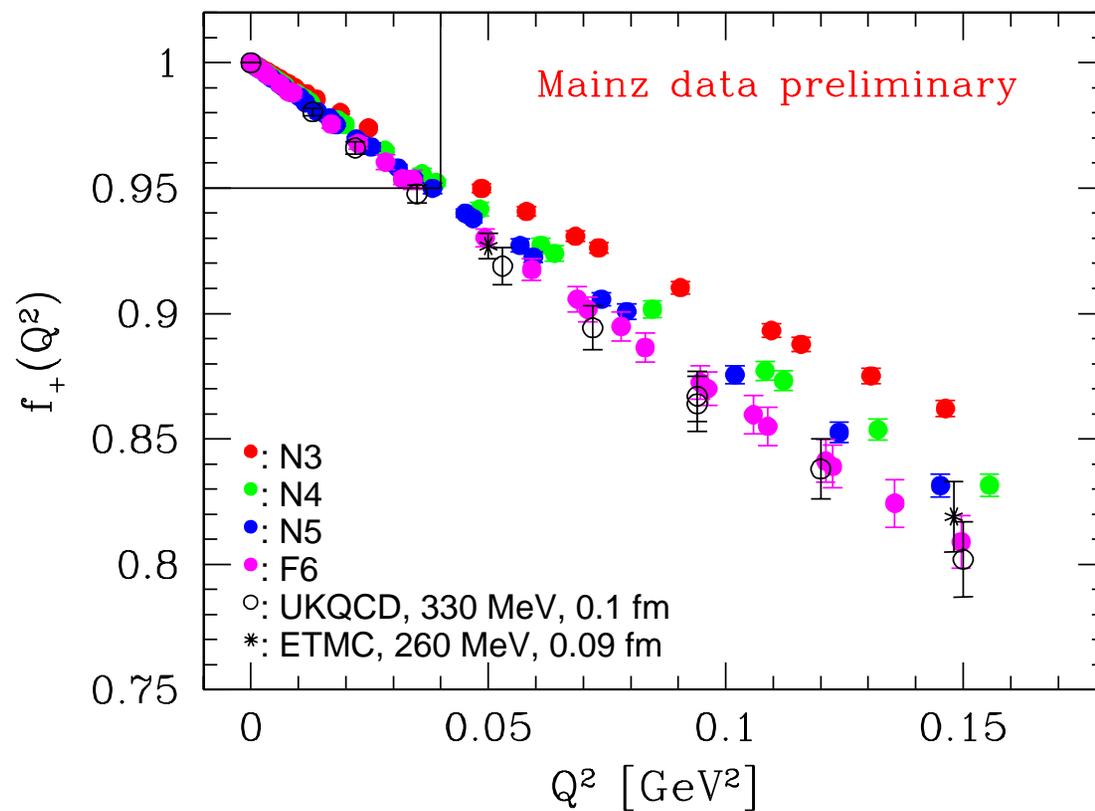
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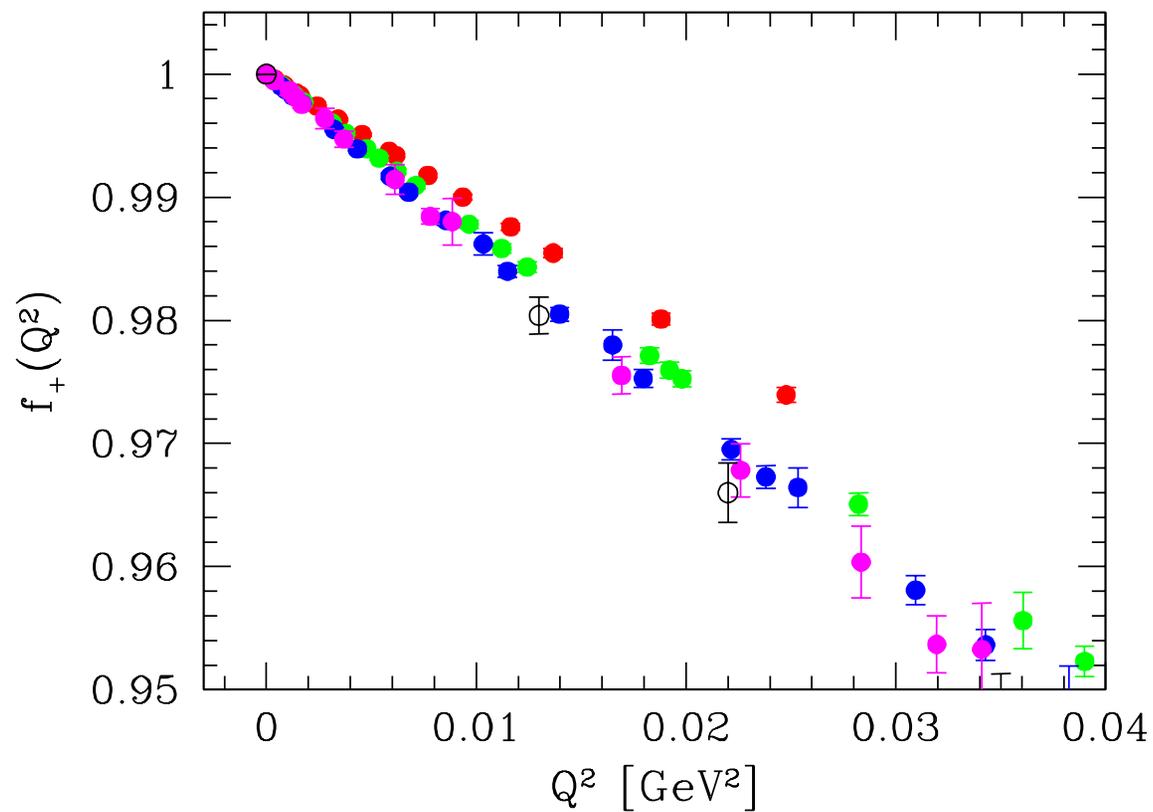
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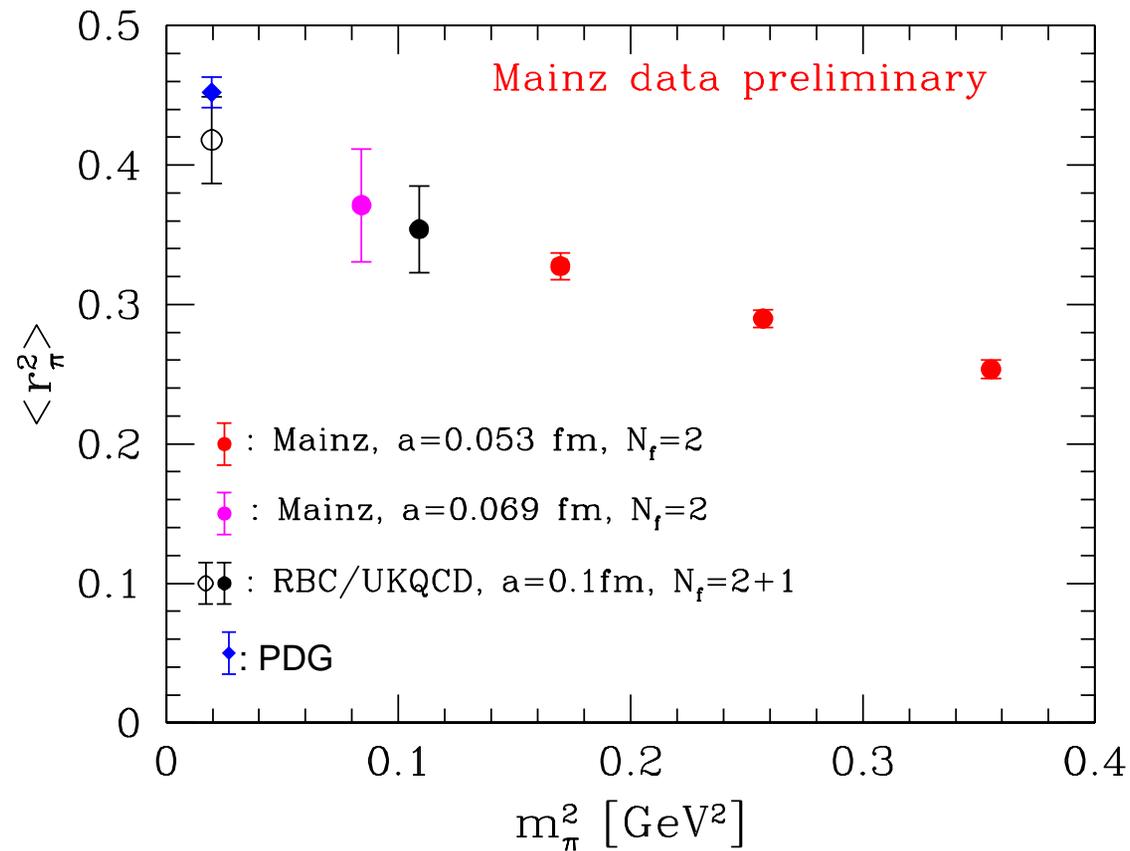
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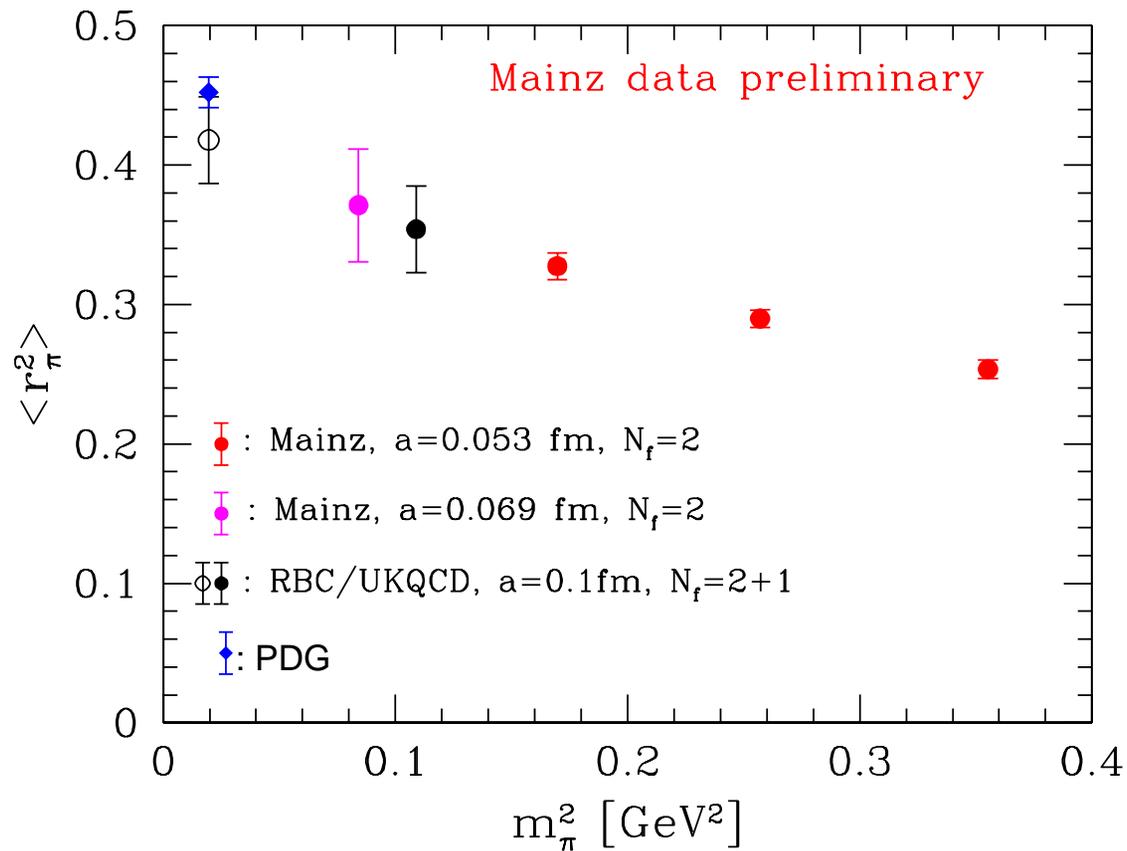
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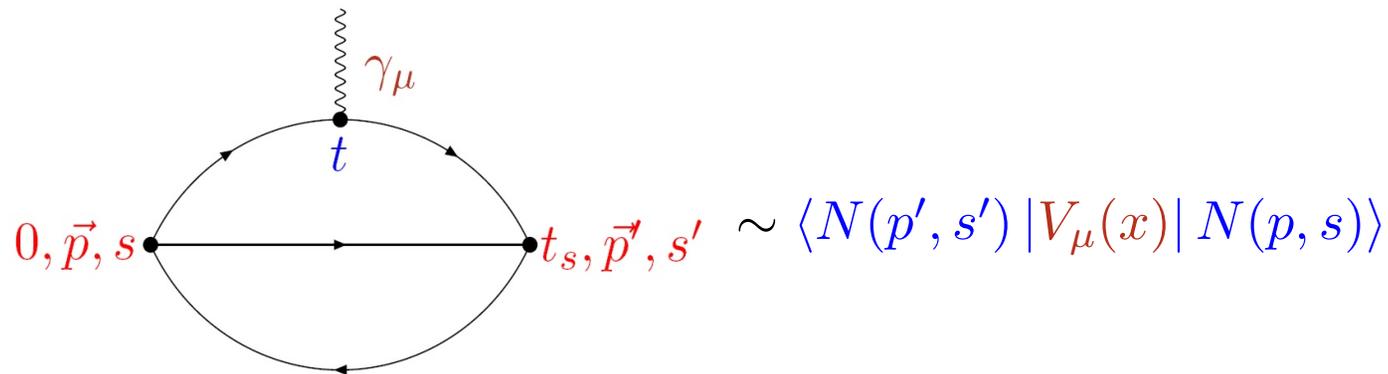
- Still to come: larger statistics, smaller pion masses, fits to ChPT

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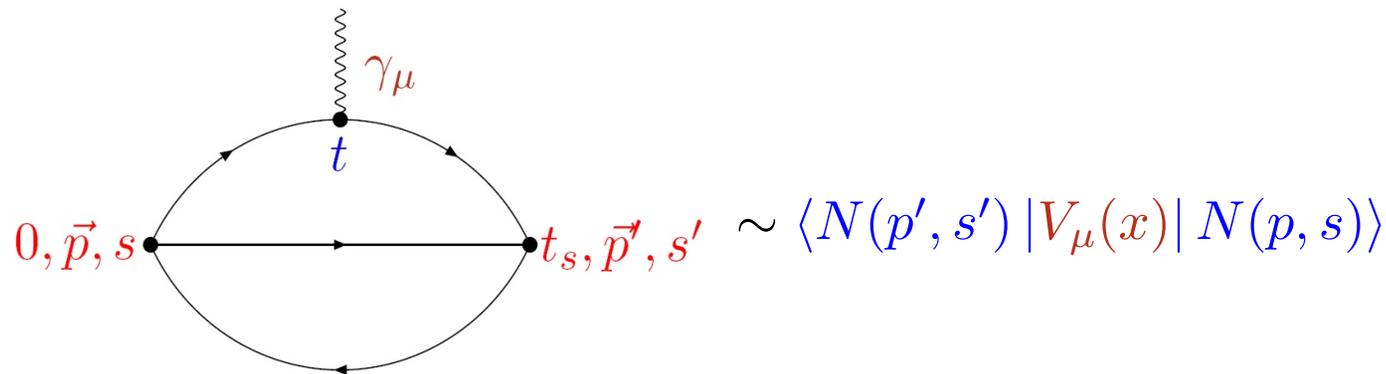


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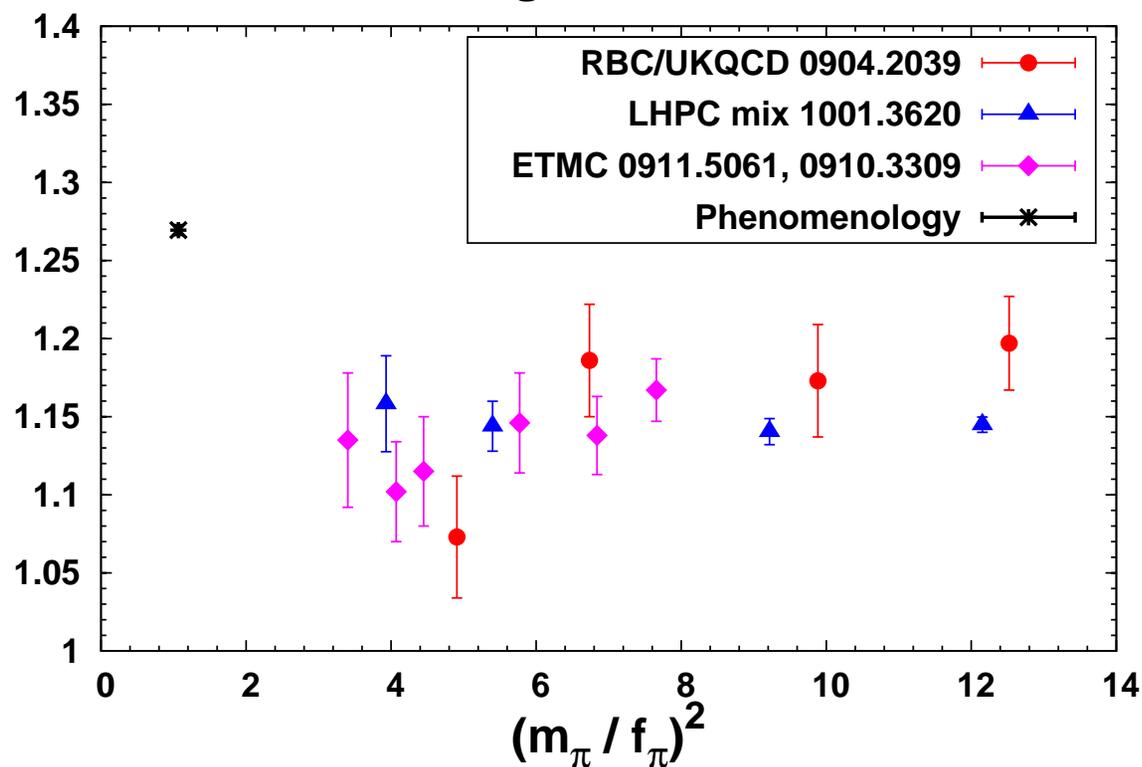
- Disconnected diagrams usually neglected
- Twisted boundary conditions: may incur large finite-volume effects

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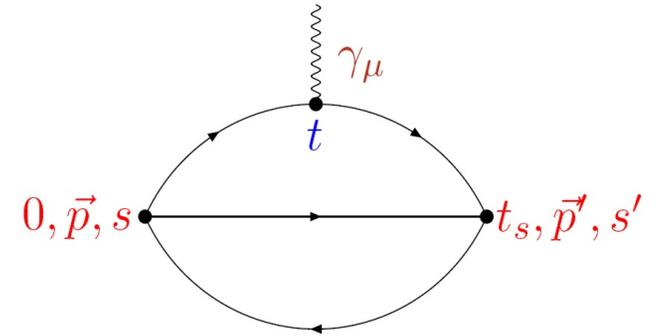
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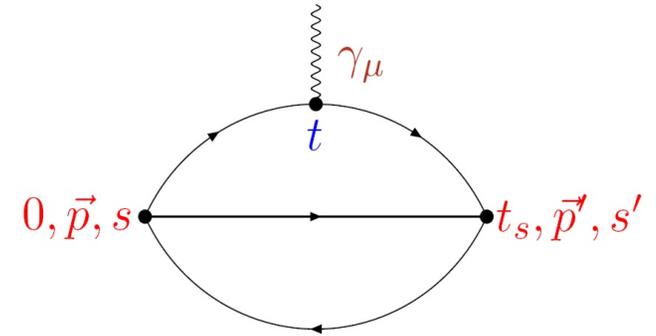
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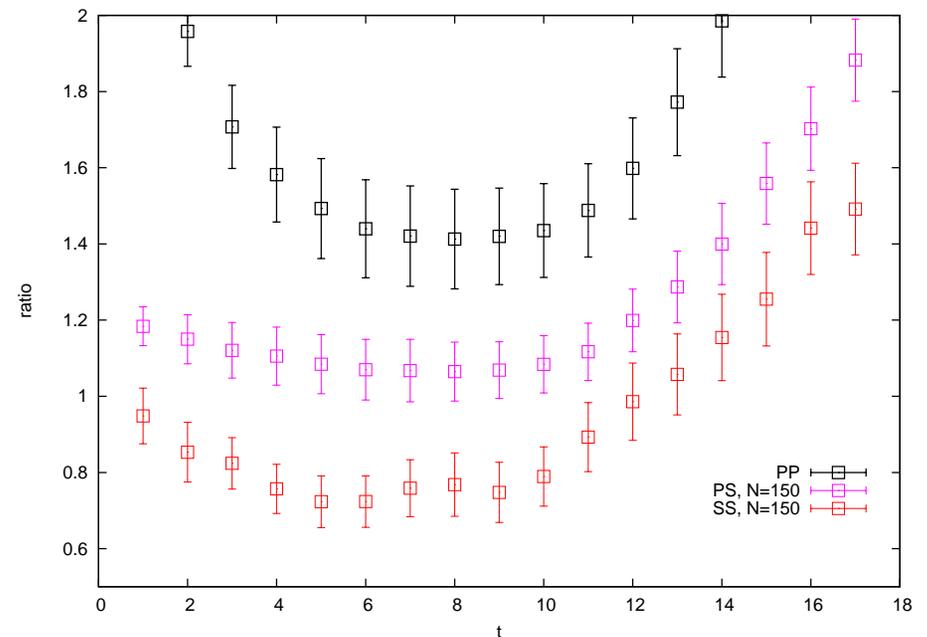
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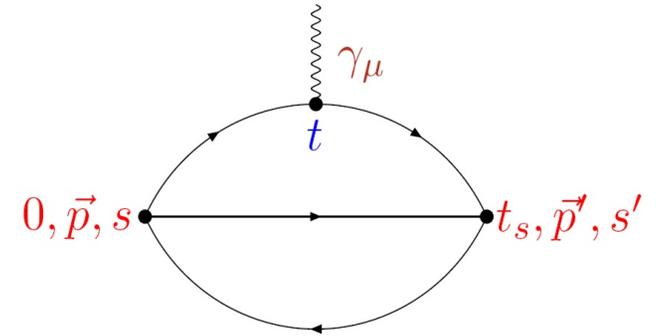
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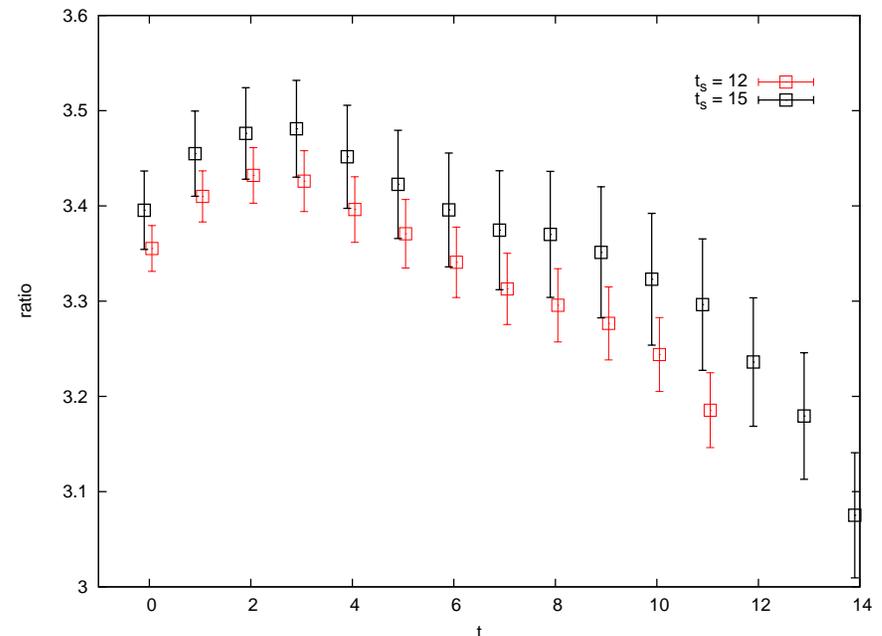
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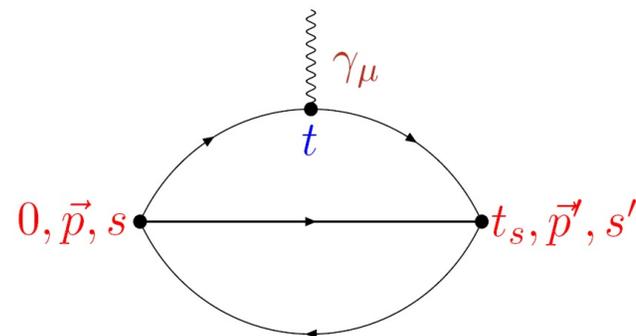
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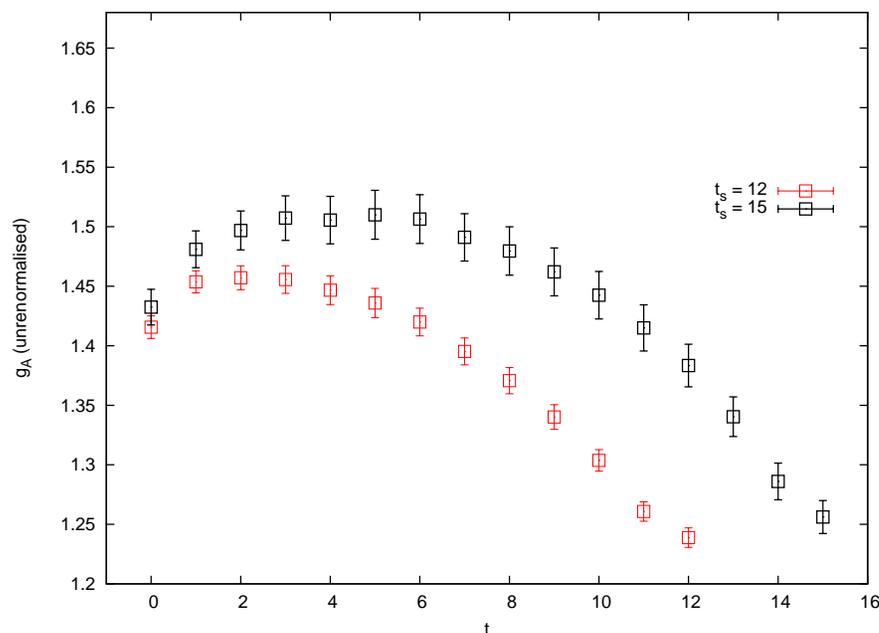
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- Excited state contributions more strongly suppressed
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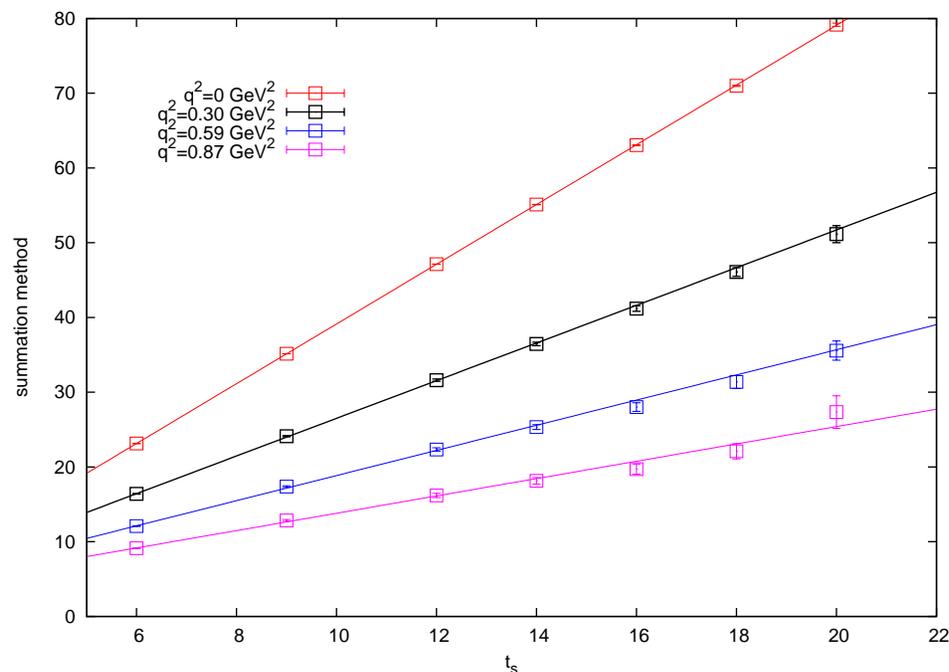
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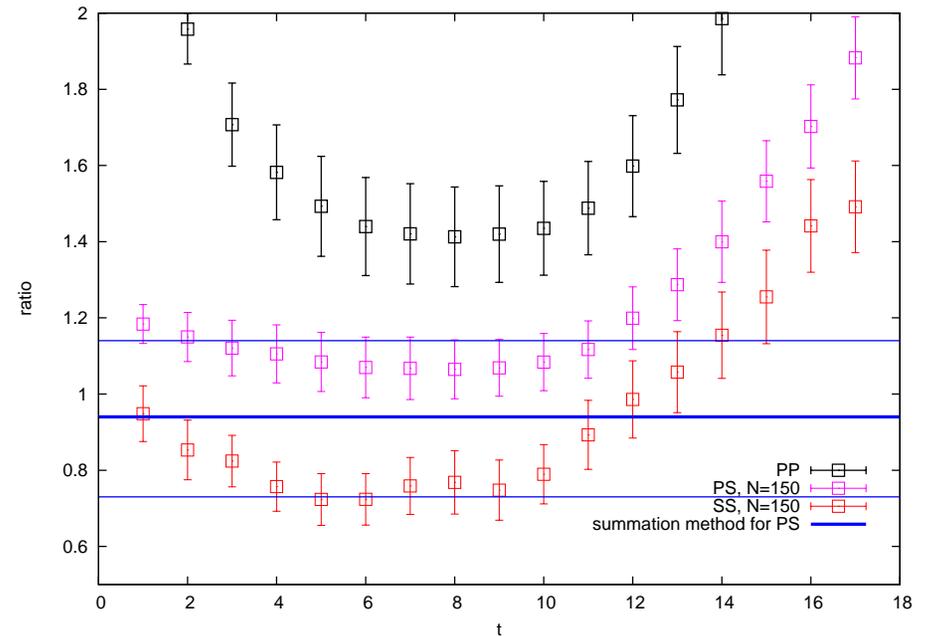
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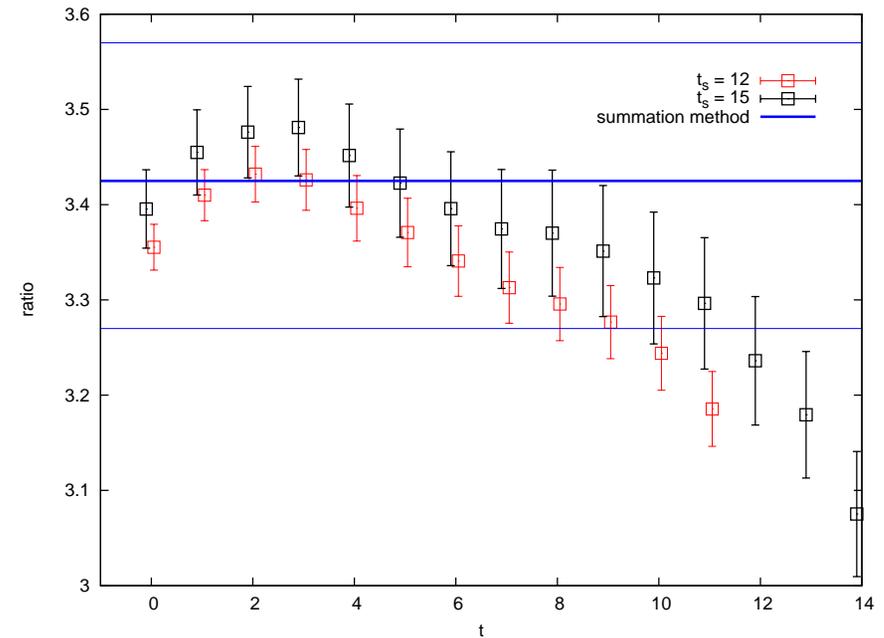
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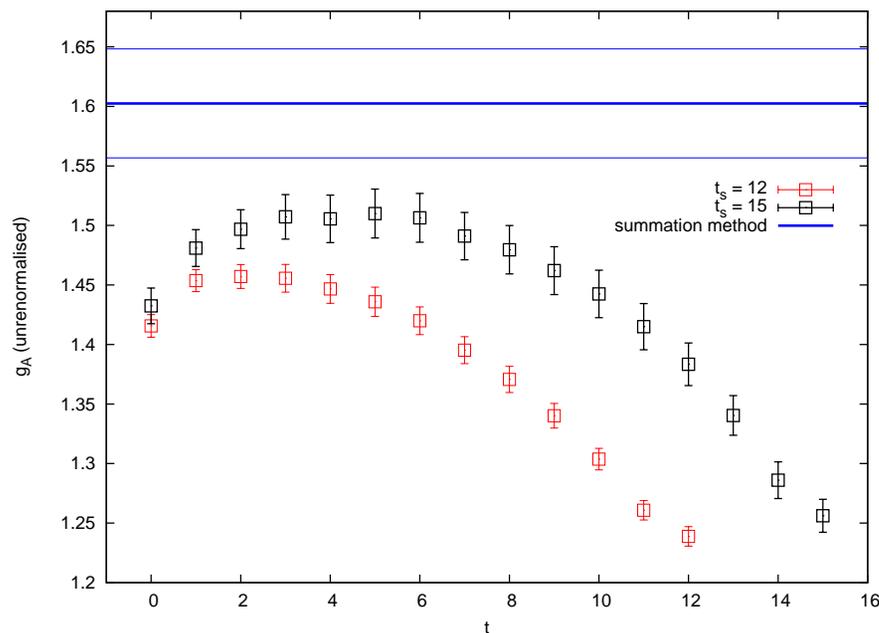
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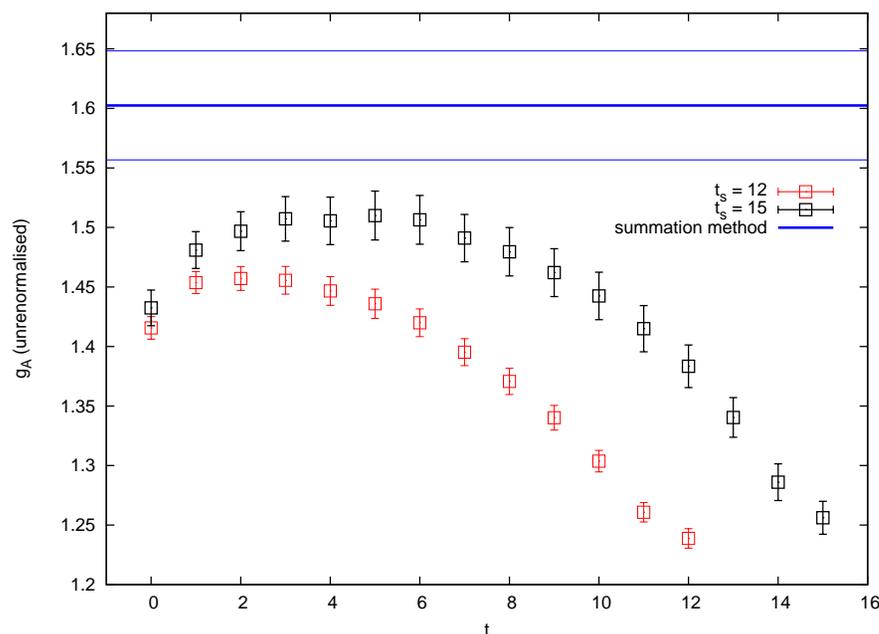
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- Better control over excited state contamination

- Larger statistical errors

- Requires more values of t_s

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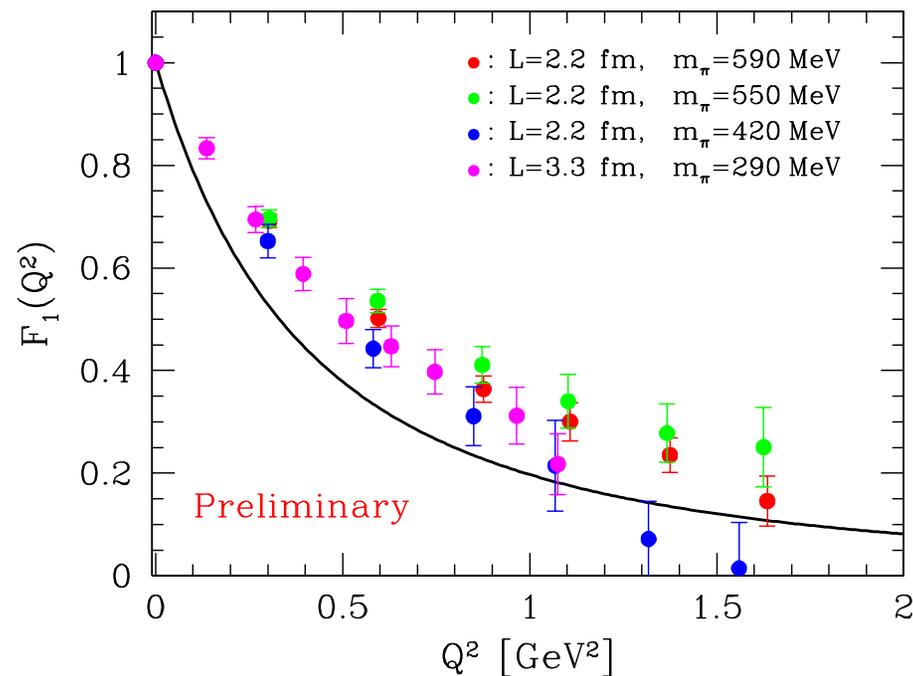
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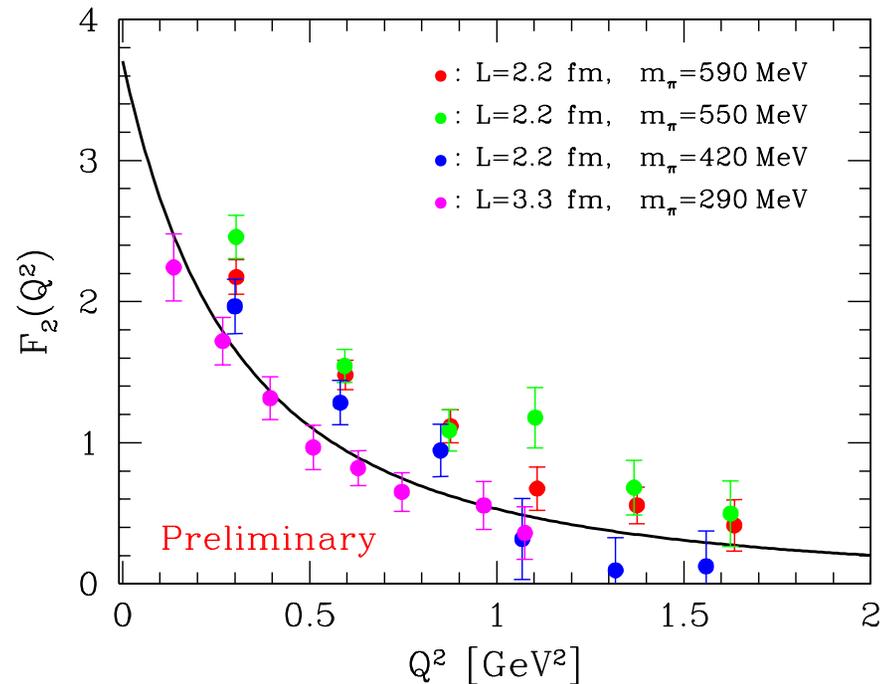
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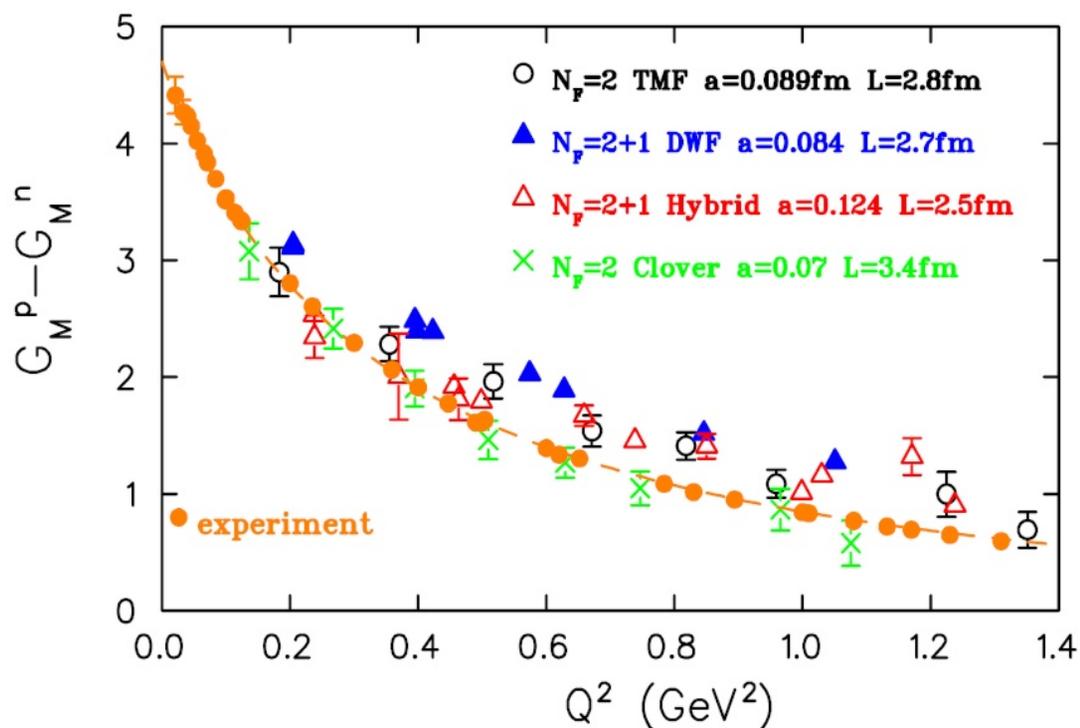
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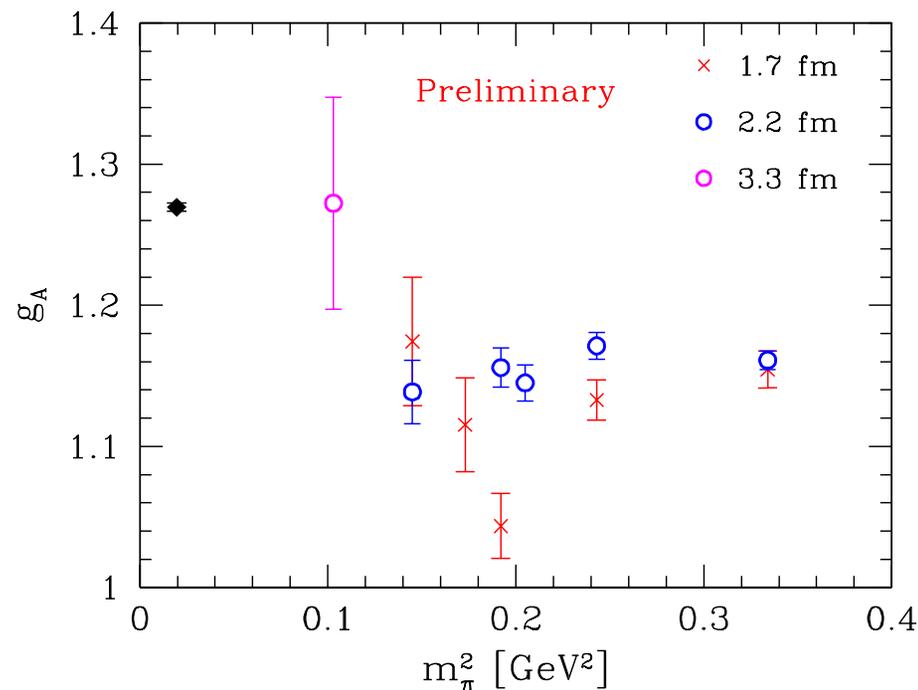
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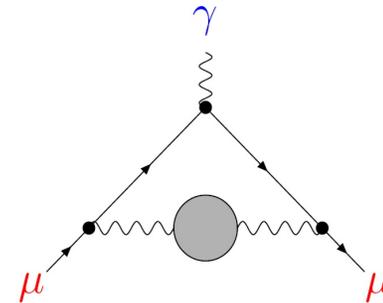
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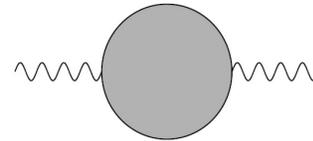
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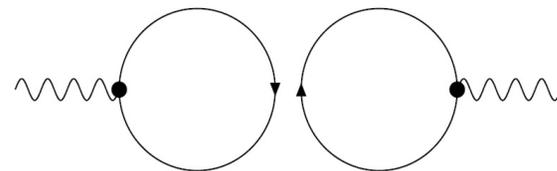
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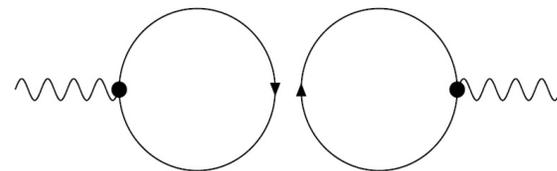
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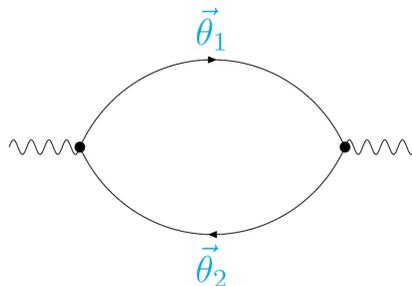
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→ Effect of disconnected contribution estimated to be a **10%** downward shift

Calculation of a_μ^{had} in two-flavour QCD

- Compute **connected contribution** using **twisted boundary conditions**
 - can extend q^2 -range to smaller values
 - probe region where convolution integral receives **dominant** contribution
- Compute **disconnected** contribution for Fourier modes only:

$$|q^2| = \left(\vec{n} \frac{2\pi}{T} \right)^2$$

- validate its relative suppression predicted by ChPT
- Include contributions of partially quenched strange quark

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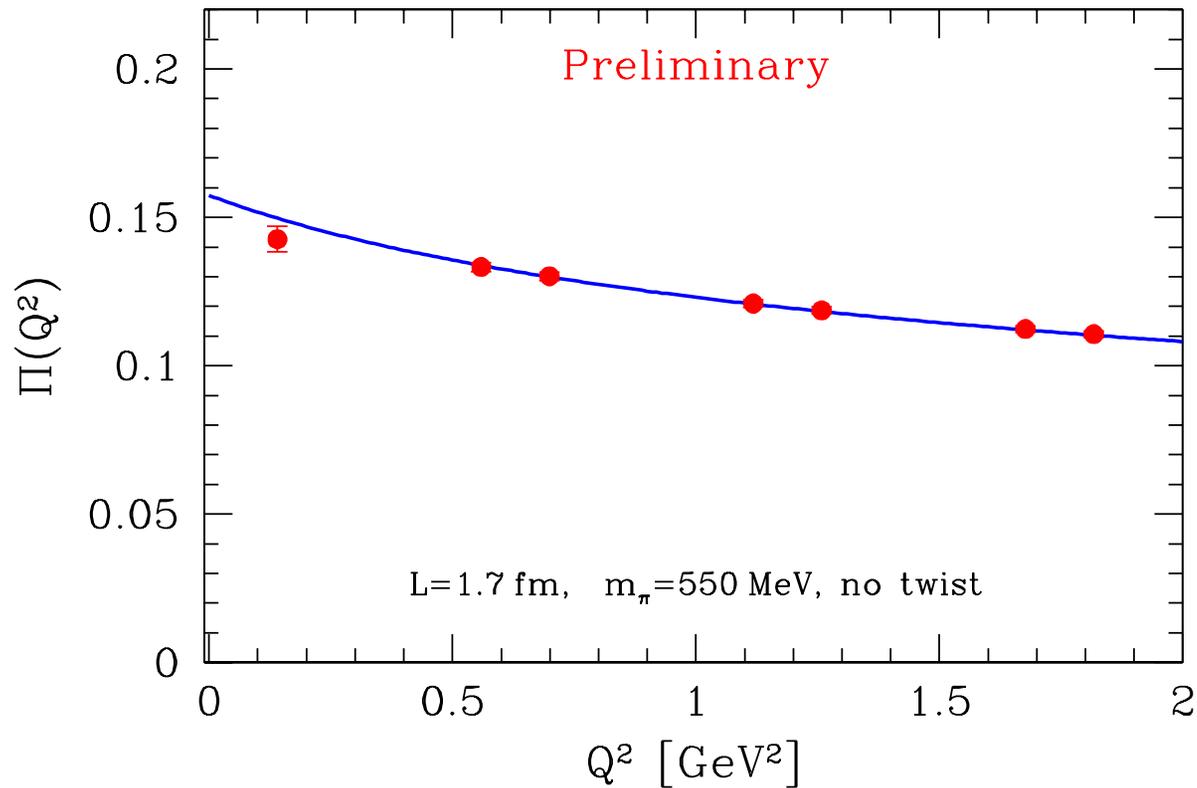
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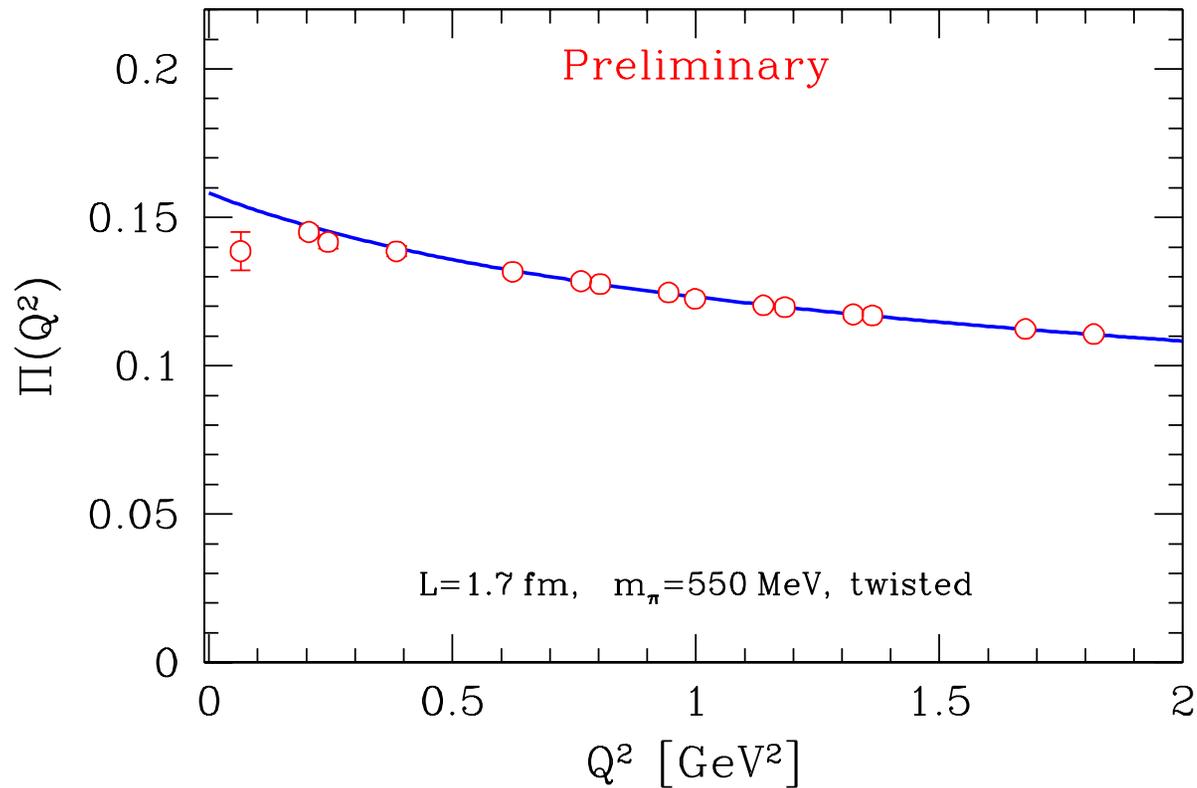


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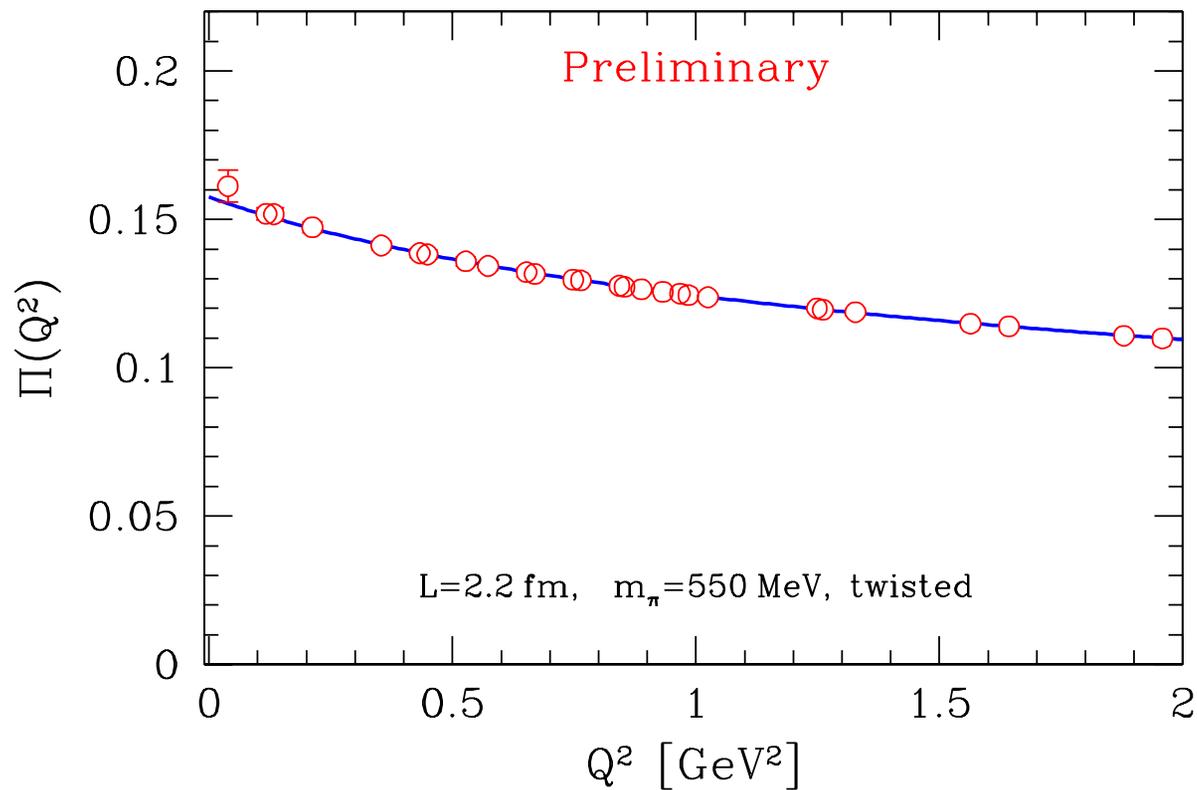


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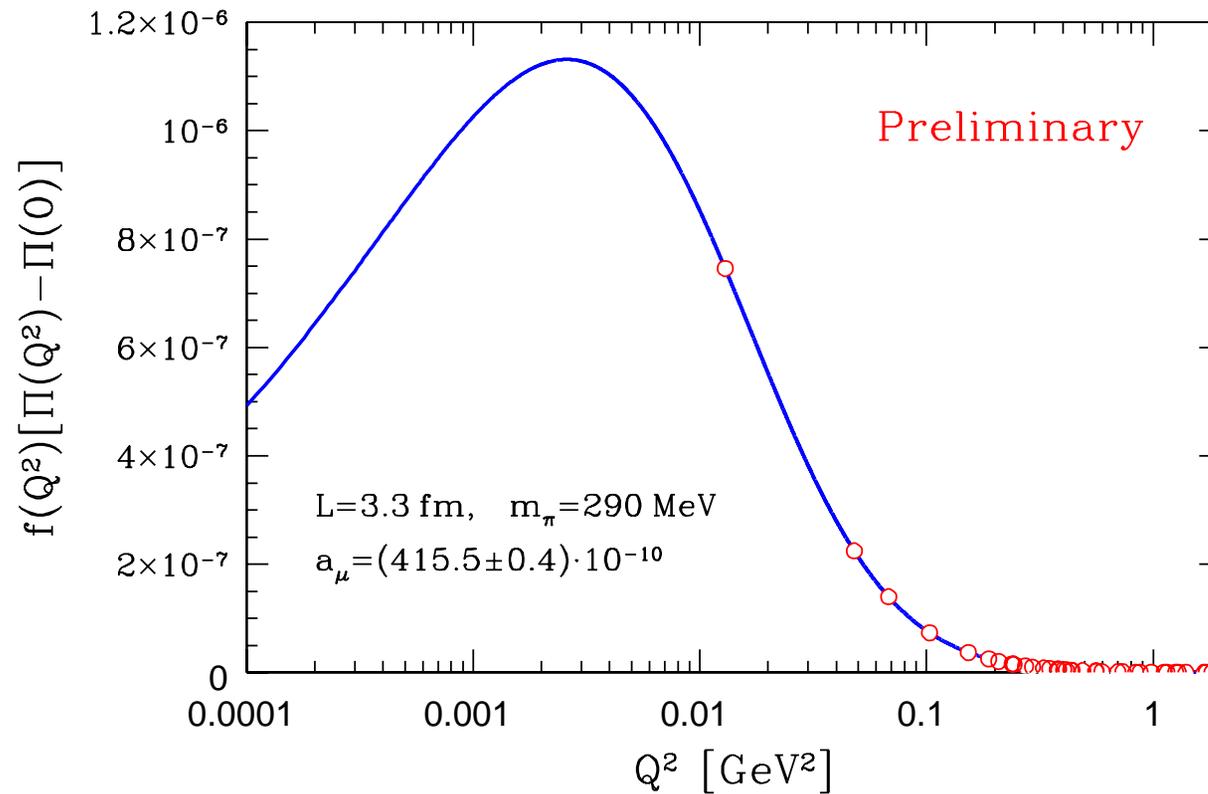


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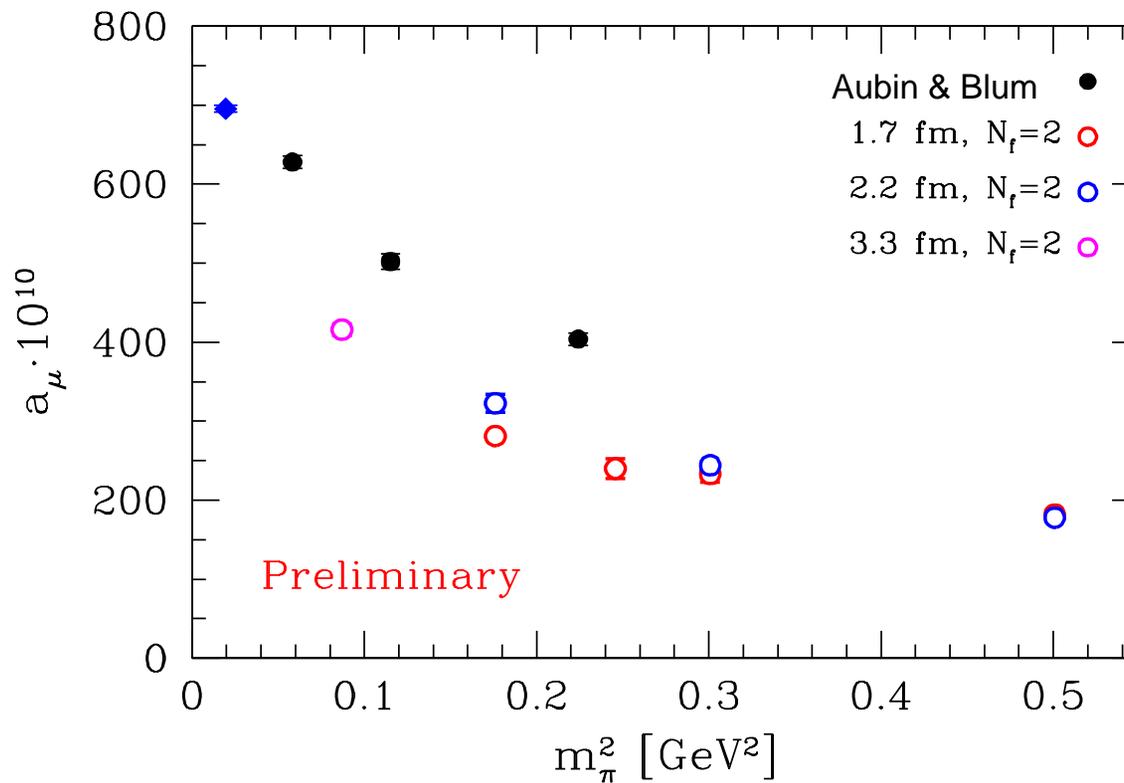
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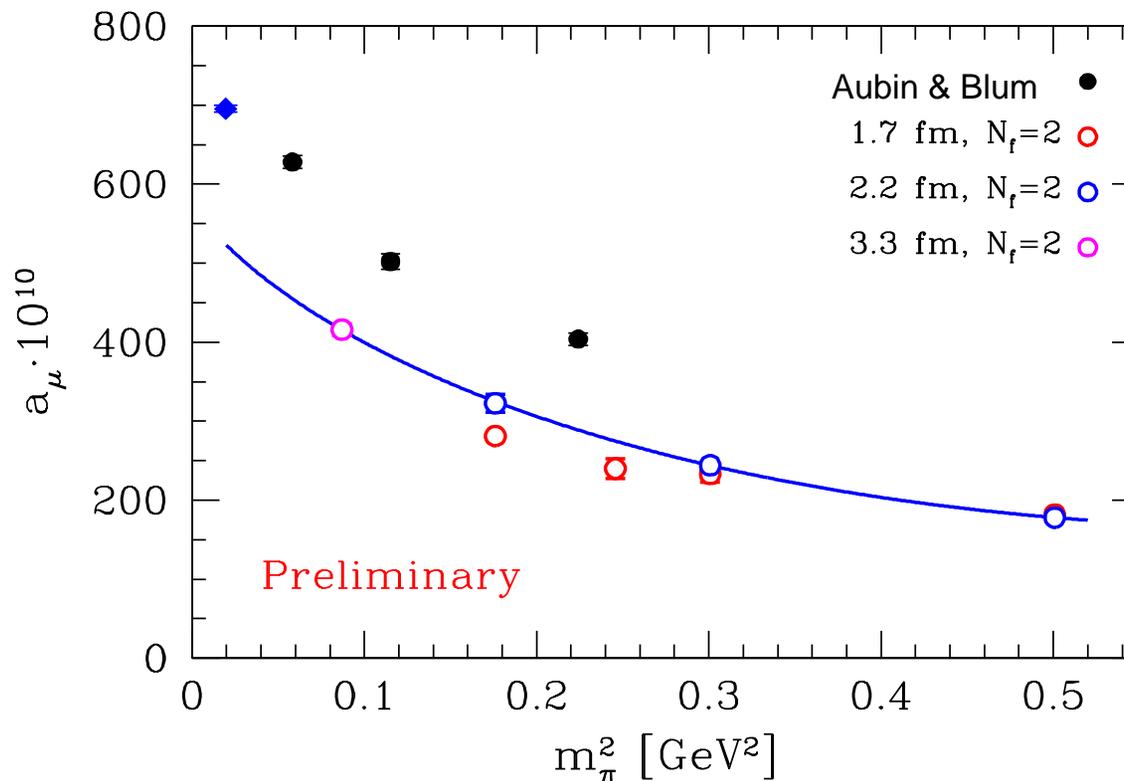
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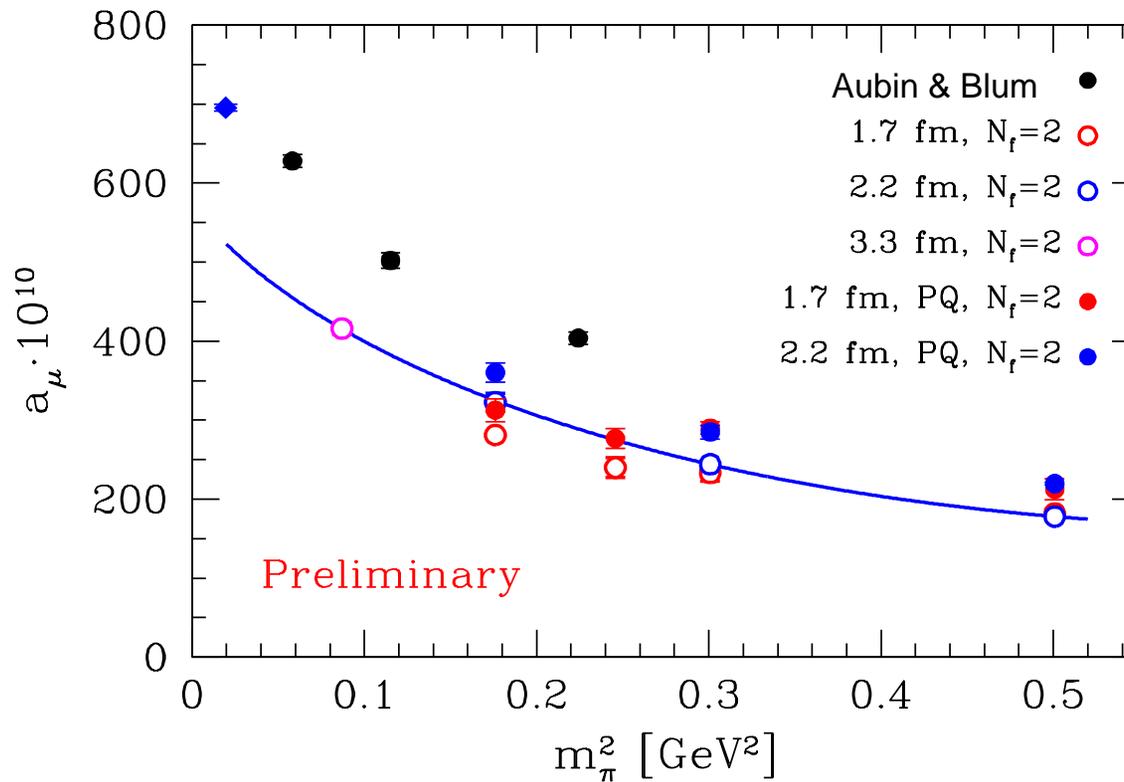
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- Nucleon form factors and g_A :
 - **summed insertions** help control excited state contamination
 - situation far from settled (pion masses, volumes, discretisation effects)
- Lattice calculations of a_μ^{had} :
 - **twisted boundary** conditions help stabilise fits
 - **ChPT prediction** for contribution from quark-disconnected diagrams

Outlook

- Include smaller pion masses; increase statistics
- Study lattice artefacts
- Small lattice spacings: study form factors at large Q^2
(c.f. 12 GeV upgrade at JLab)
- Include quark-disconnected diagrams