

# Valance parton distribution of pion from lattice QCD

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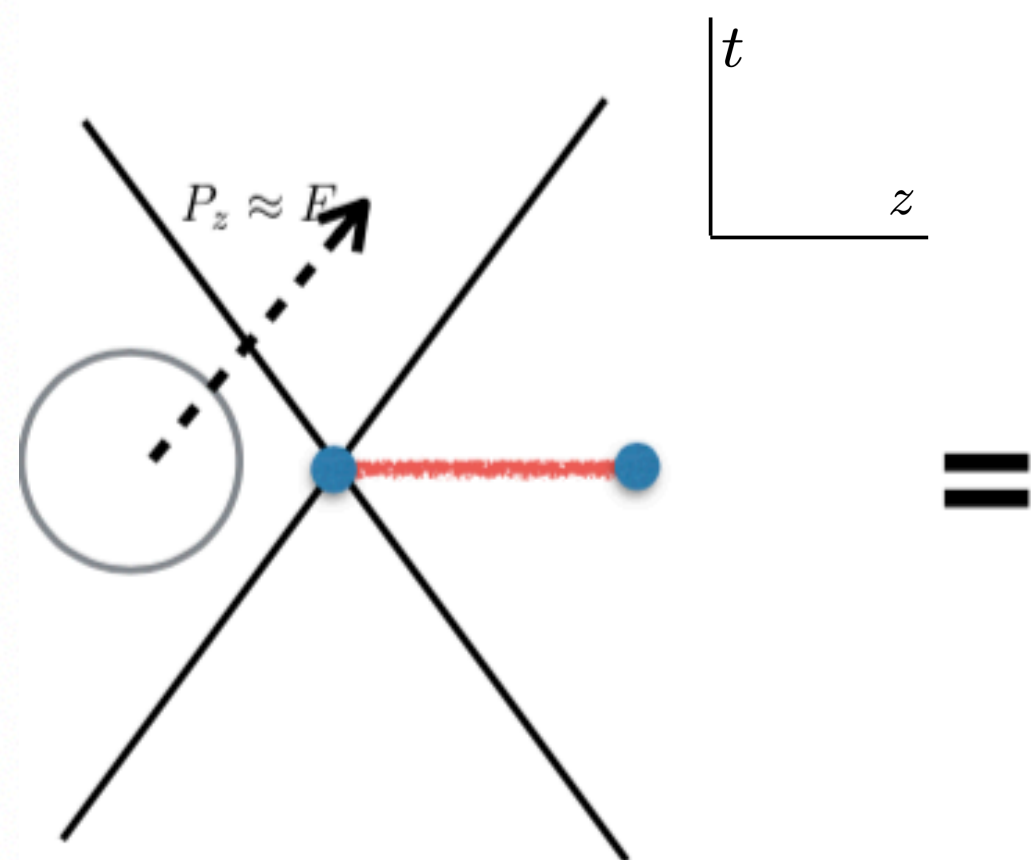
# Large momentum effective theory

**Equal time** correlation function can be determined on lattice (X. Ji, PhysRevLett.110.262002):

$$\tilde{q}(x) \equiv \int \frac{dz}{4\pi} e^{-ixP_z z} \langle P | \tilde{O}_\Gamma(z, \epsilon) | P \rangle, \quad \tilde{O}_\Gamma(z, \epsilon) = \bar{\psi}(0) \Gamma W_{\hat{z}}(0, z) \psi(z)$$

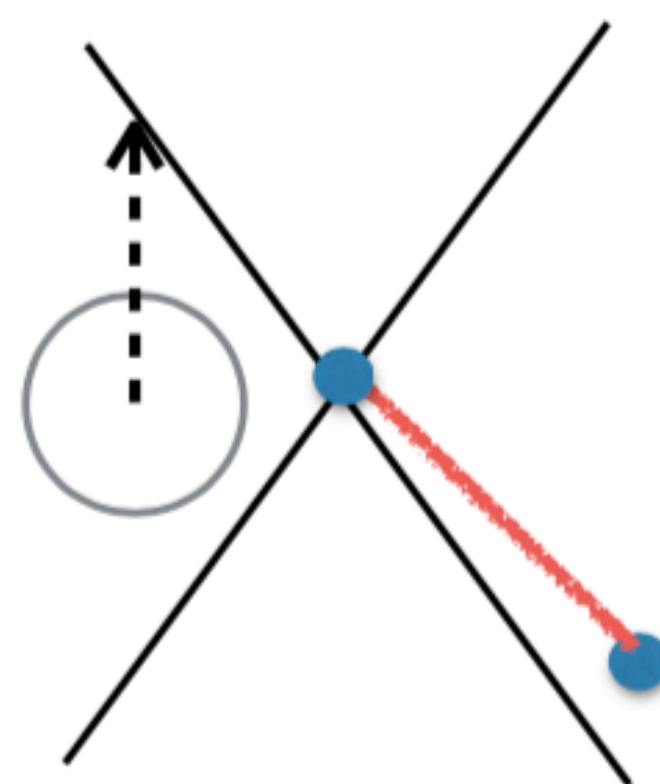
$$\Gamma = \gamma^t \text{ or } \gamma^z$$

Operator rest frame



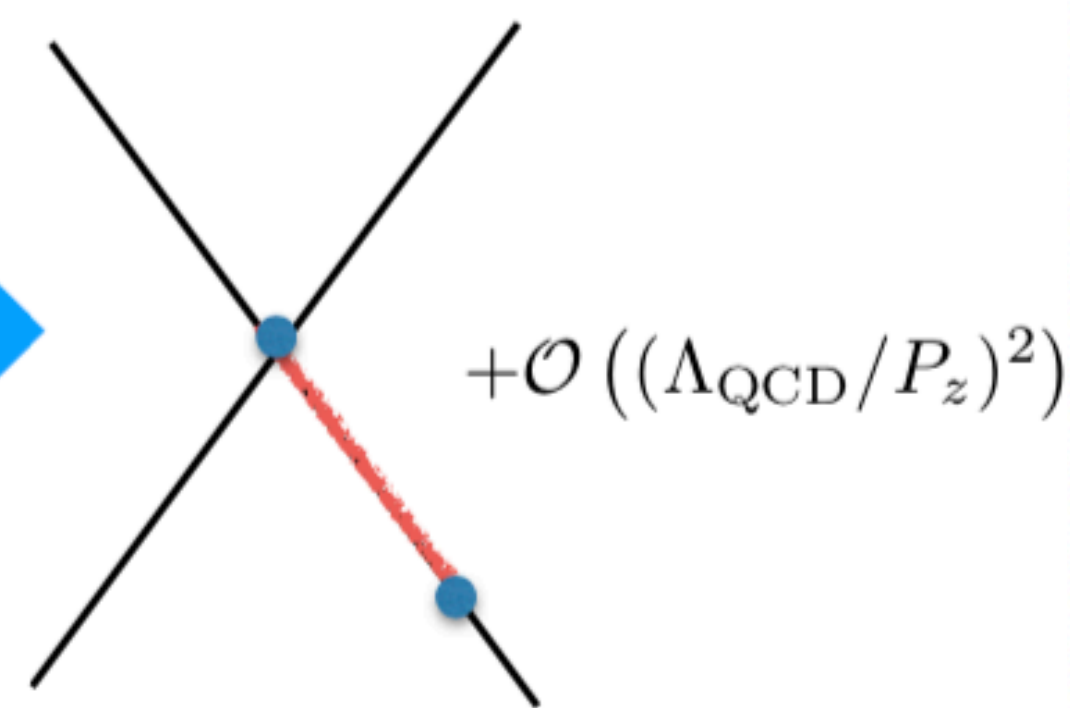
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Hadron rest frame



1-loop matching

(Stewart and Zhao '17)





# Factorization of Quasi-PDFs

The form of the factorization formula for quark quasi-PDFs in the  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme is (iso non-singlet case):

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{q}(x, P_z, \mu) &= q(x, \mu) + \alpha_s(\mu)(\tilde{q}^{(1)}(x, P_z, \mu) - q^{(1)}(x, \mu)) \\ &= \int \frac{dy}{|y|} C\left(\frac{x}{y}, \frac{\mu}{yP_z}\right) q(y, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_h^2}{x^2 P_z^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{x^2 P_z^2}\right)\end{aligned}$$

X. Ji, Y. Zhao, et al, arXiv:2004.03543

The difference of qPDF and PDF is only UV, and the IR physics must be the same.

The  $\frac{m_h^2}{x^2 P_z^2}$  and  $\frac{\Lambda_{QCD}^2}{x^2 P_z^2}$  corresponding to the target mass correction and higher twist correction, thus the key ingredient is large  $P_z$ .



# Factorization in Coordinate-Space

By OPE, the spacial non-local correlator:

$$\frac{1}{2}\langle P | \tilde{O}_\Gamma(z, \mu) | P \rangle = P^\mu h_{\gamma^\mu}^R(zP_z, \mu^2 z^2)$$

can be expanded in terms of local operators, which give the moments of PDFs (iso non-singlet case):

$$h_{\gamma^t}^R(zP_z, \mu^2 z^2) = \sum_n C_n(\mu^2 z^2) \frac{(-izP_z)^n}{n!} \int_{-1}^1 dy y^n q(y, \mu) + \mathcal{O}(z^2 m_h^2, z^2 \Lambda_{QCD}^2)$$

in which,  $C_n(\mu^2 z^2)$  is the Wilson coefficient and  $\nu = zP_z$  is so called Pseudo Ioffe time. Again the key ingredient is **large  $P_z$** , then one can extract more information with large  $\nu$ .



# Matching to PDF

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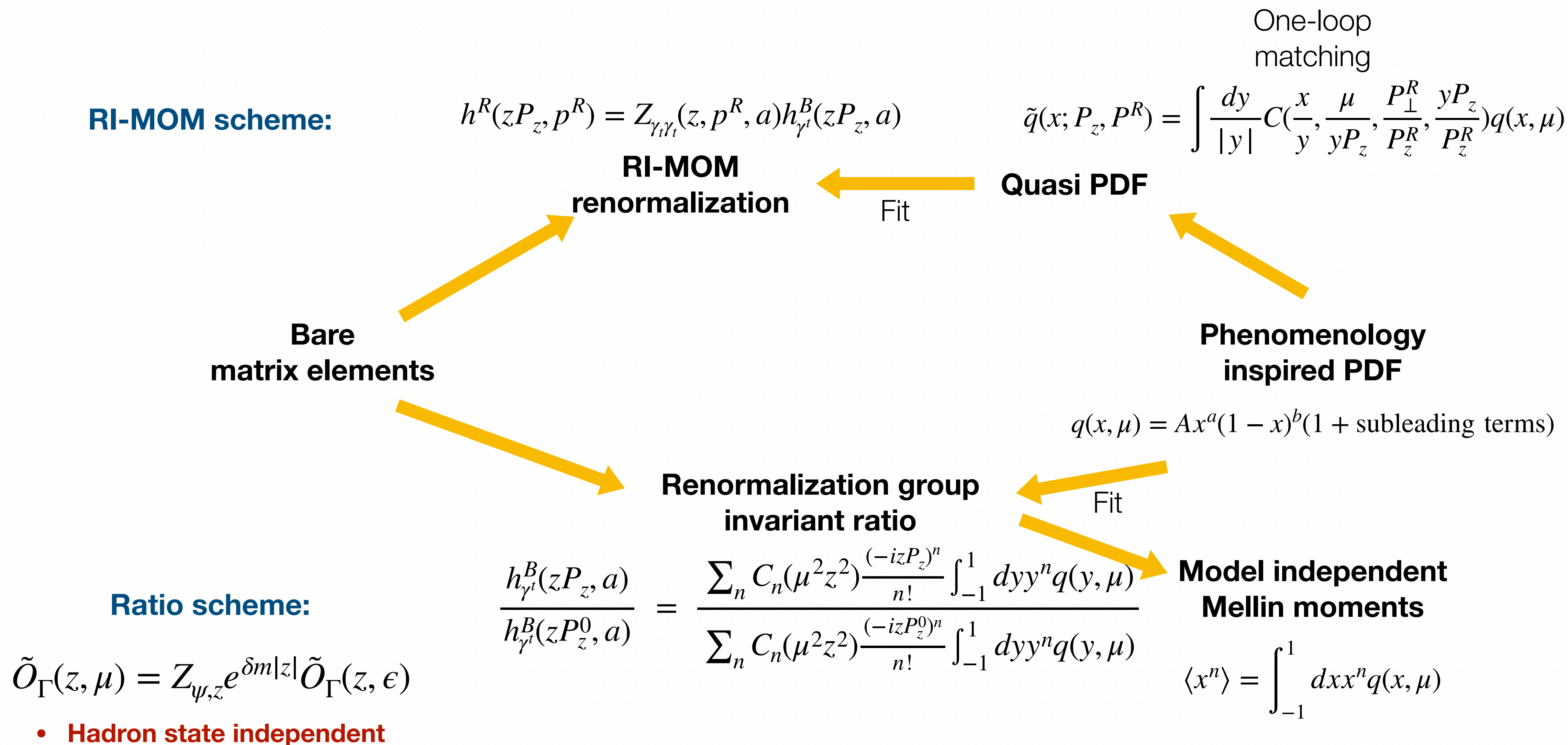
Bare  
matrix elements



PDFs



# Matching to PDF





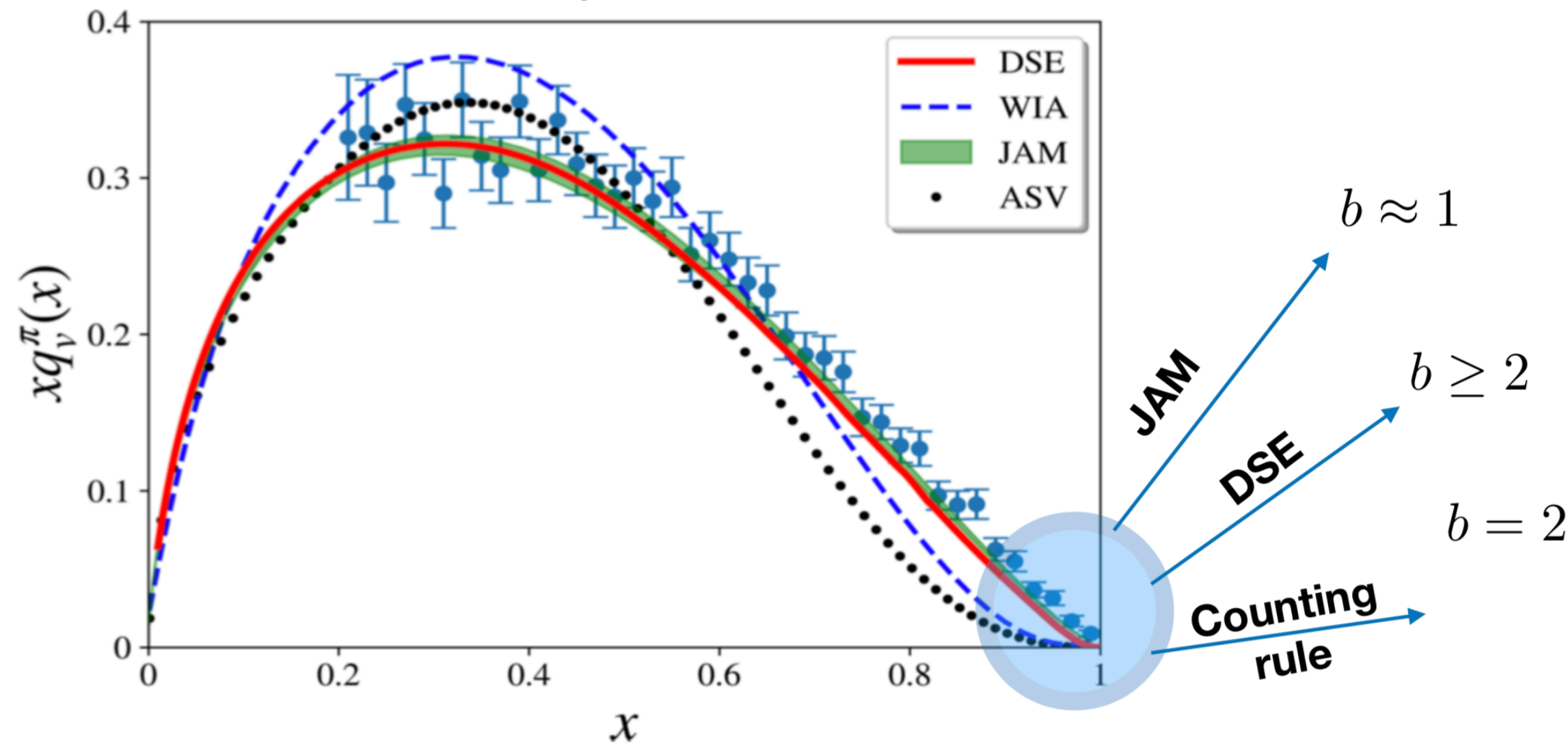
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# Pion valence quark PDF: Motivation

Pion valence quark distribution



## Physical reason:

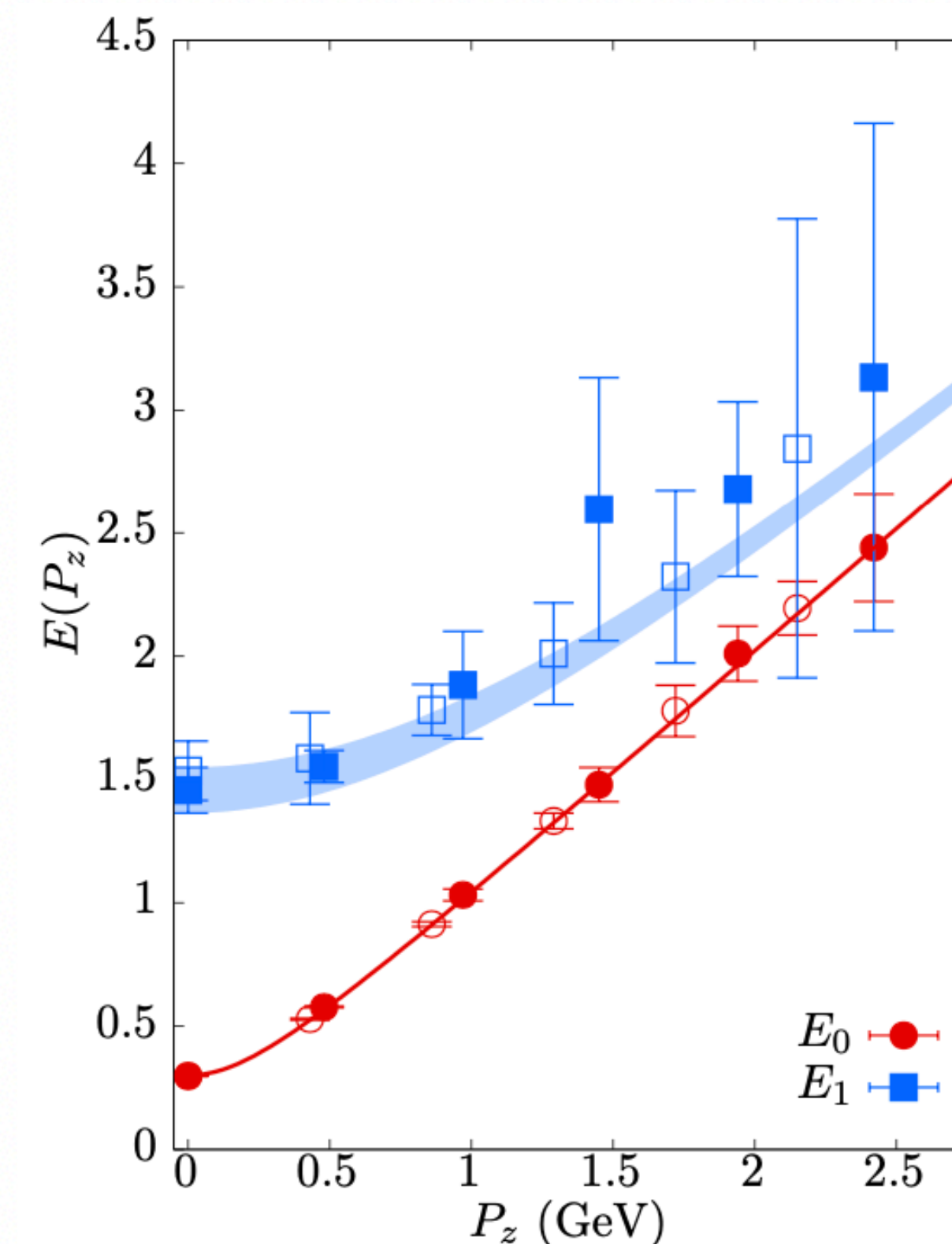
Pion play a central role in the study of the strong interactions.

However, The absence of fixed **pion targets** has made it difficult to determine the pion's structure experimentally. One of the key physics issue is  $x=1$  behavior:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f_v^\pi(x) \sim (1-x)^b$$

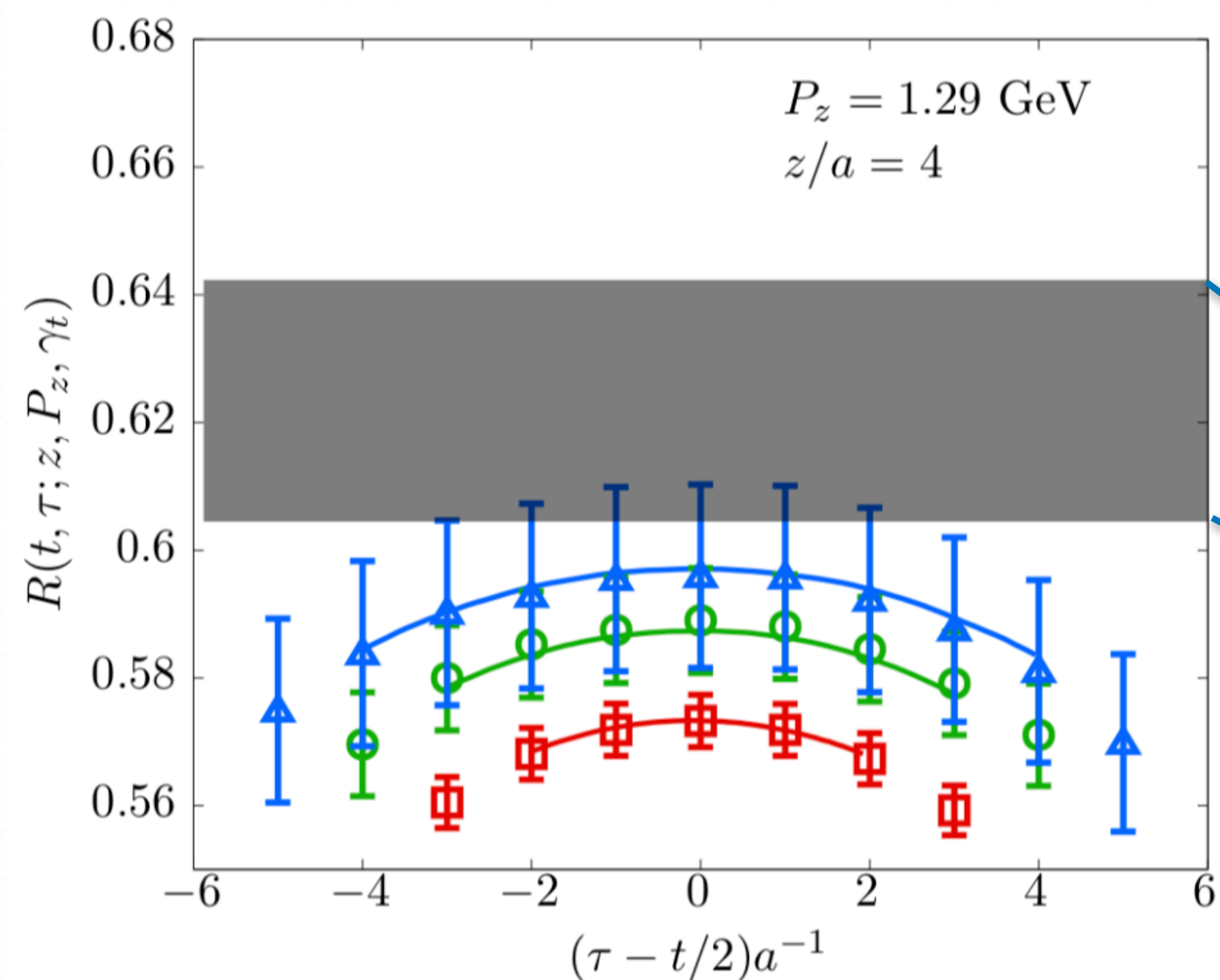
## Technical reason:

- It's easier to get close to the light-cone.
- The excited state contamination is less problematic.





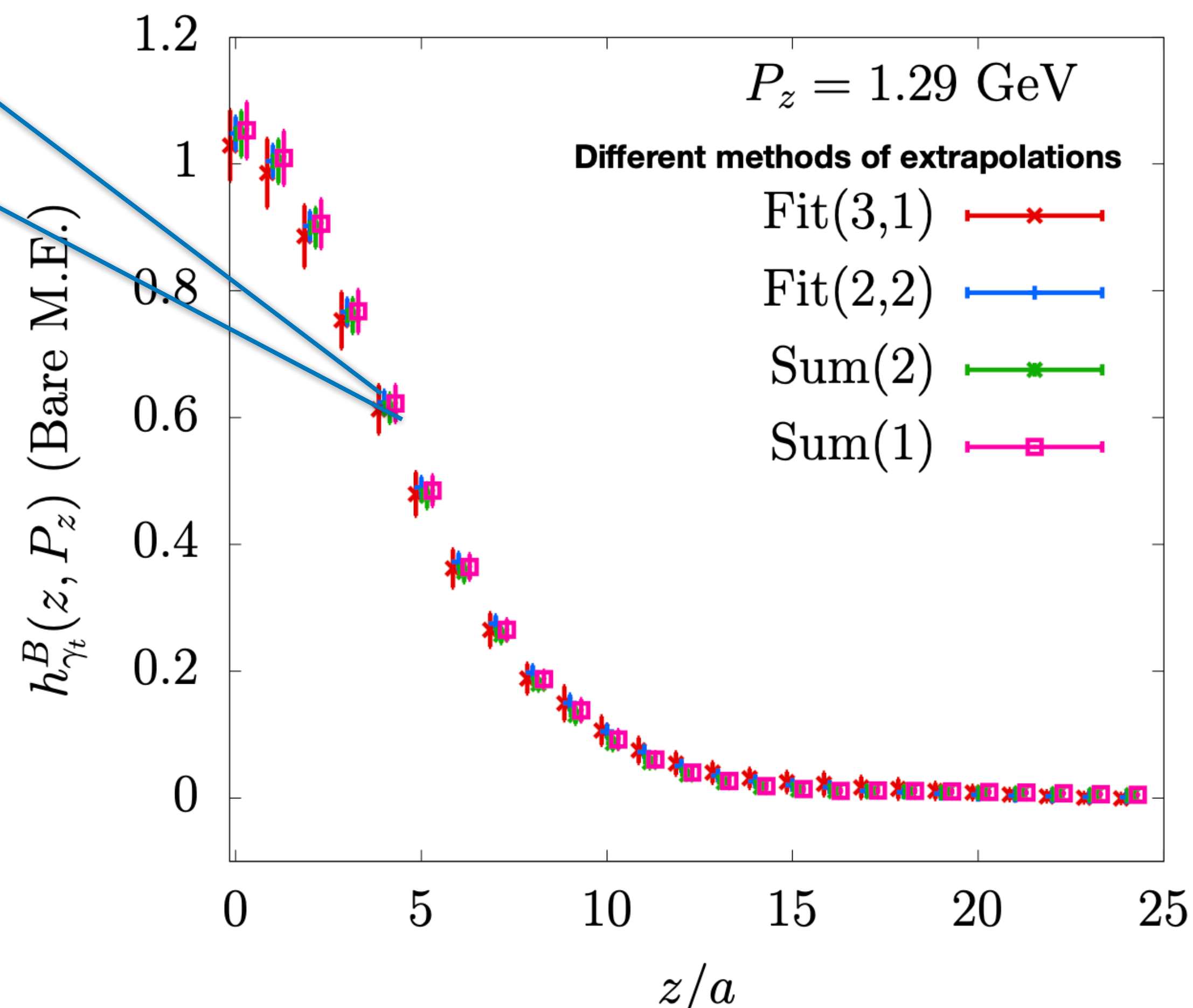
# Pion valence quark PDF: Bare matrix elements



ensemble $a, L_t \times L^3$	$m_q a$	$m_\pi L_t$	$n_z$	$z$ range	#cfs	(#ex, #sl)
$a = 0.06 \text{ fm},$ $64 \times 48^3$	-0.0388	5.85	0,1	[0,15]	100	(1, 32)
			2,3,4,5	[0,8]	525	(1, 32)
				[9,15]	416	(1, 32)
				[16,24]	364	(1, 32)
$a = 0.04 \text{ fm},$ $64 \times 64^3$	-0.033	3.90	0,1	[0,32]	314	(3, 96)
			2,3	[0,32]	314	(4, 128)
			4,5	[0,32]	564	(4, 128)

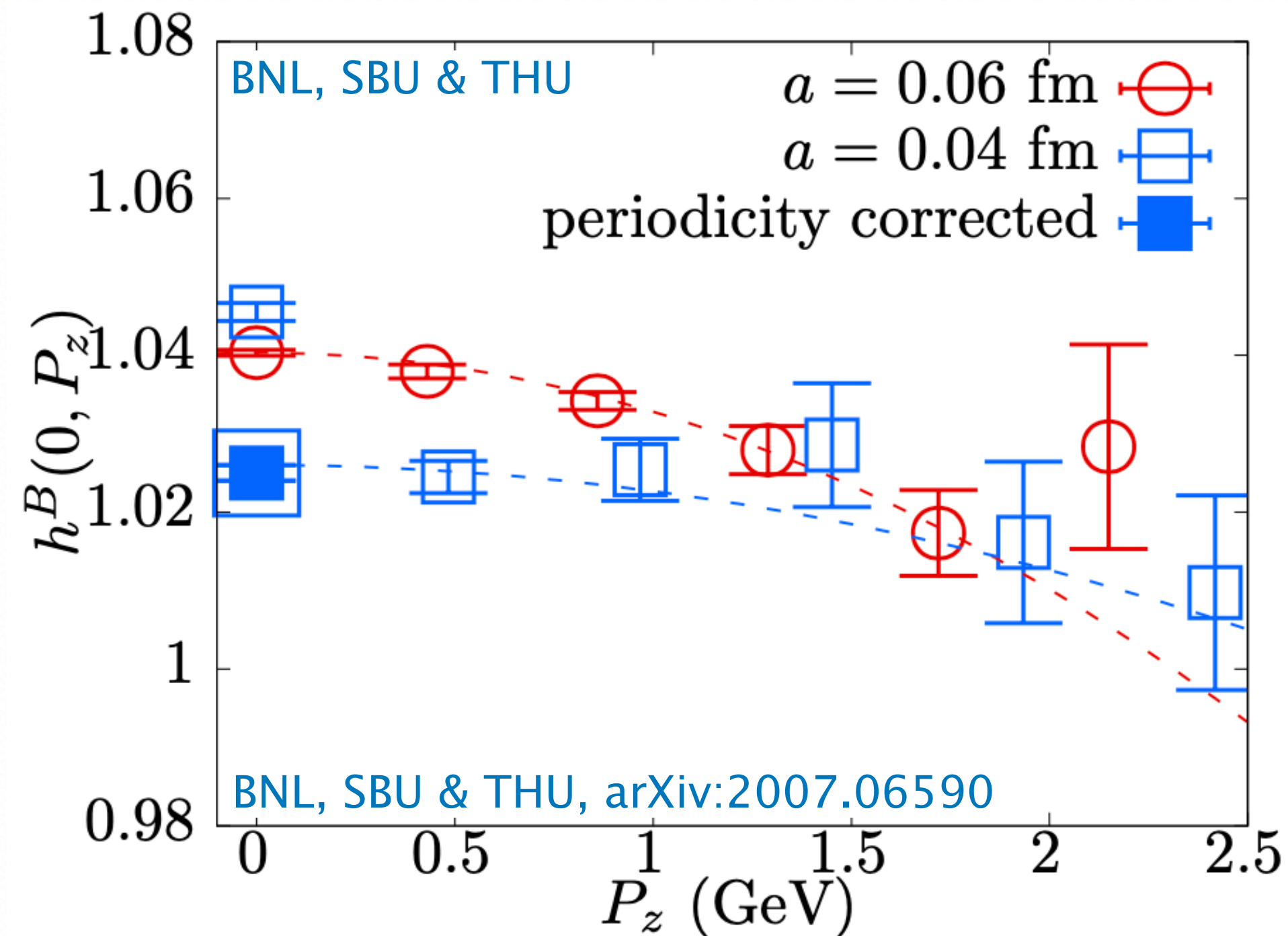
- HISQ sea quarks and Wilson-Clover valence quarks.

$$h^B(z, P_z) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\langle \pi(t; P_z) O_\Gamma(z; \tau) \pi^\dagger(0; P_z) \rangle}{\langle \pi(t; P_z) \pi^\dagger(0; P_z) \rangle}$$





# Pion valence quark PDF: Lattice artifacts



The red and blue open symbols are the estimates of the bare matrix elements  $h^B(z = 0, P_z)$ , which in the continuum limit will be the **total isospin** of pion ( $\pi^+$ ), which is 1.

- The estimated value for  $a = 0.04$  fm after correcting for wrap-around effect is shown as the filled blue square.

$$h_w^B(z = 0, P_z) \approx \frac{1 + 2e^{-E_\pi L_t}}{1 + e^{-E_\pi L_t}} h^B(z = 0, P_z) \approx 1.024 h^B(z = 0, P_z)$$

- The red and the blue dashed curves are the modeled lattice spacing effects using an ansatz, with  $b = -3.21$  in both cases.

$$h^B(z = 0, P_z) = h^B(z = 0, P_z = 0) + b(P_z a)^2$$



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We modify the ratio by adding a free parameter  $r$ :

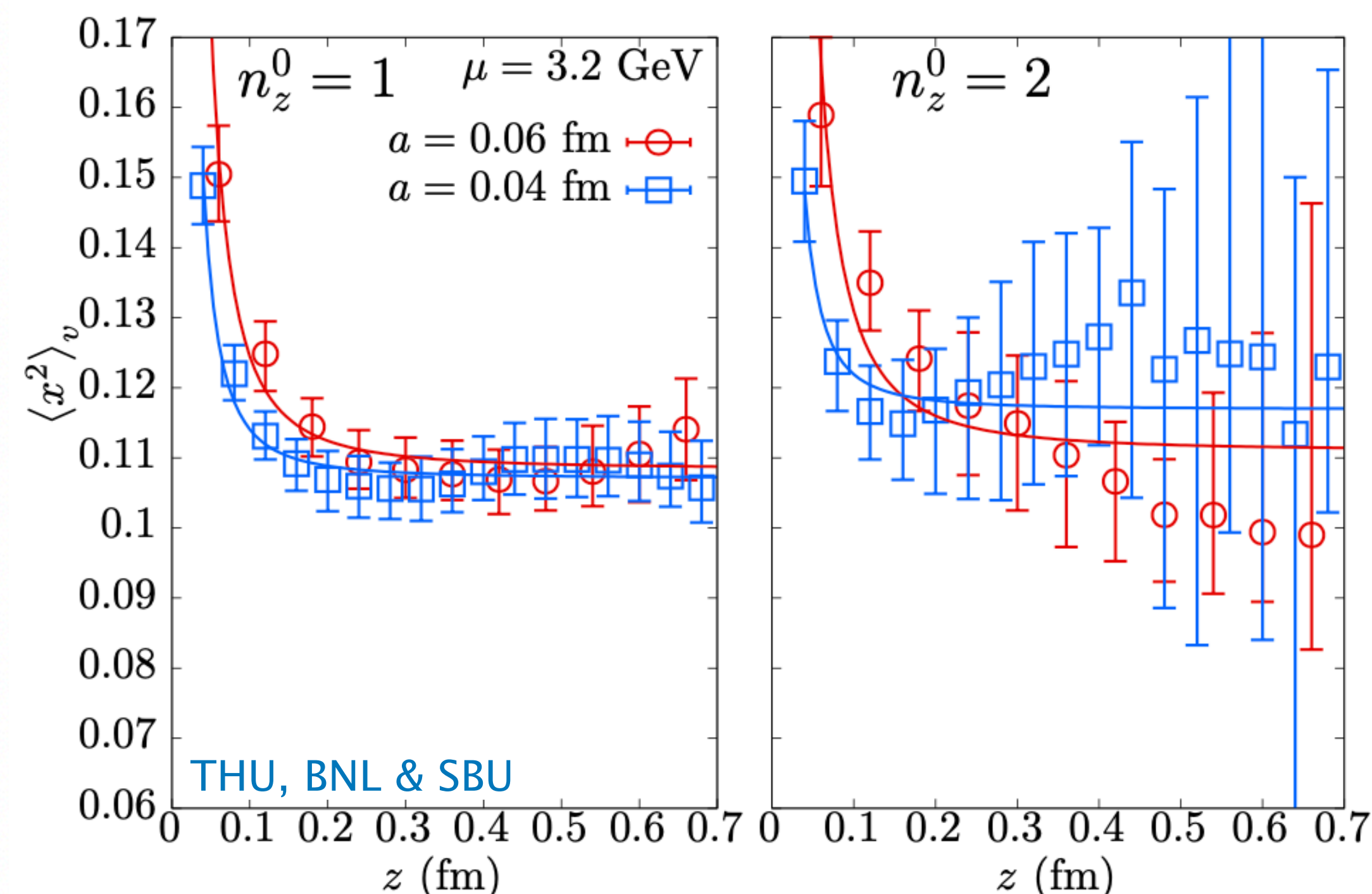
$$\mathcal{M}(z, P_z, P_z^0) = \frac{\sum_n C_n(\mu^2 z^2) \frac{(-izP_z)^n}{n!} \int_{-1}^1 dy y^n q(y, \mu)}{\sum_n C_n(\mu^2 z^2) \frac{(-izP_z^0)^n}{n!} \int_{-1}^1 dy y^n q(y, \mu)}$$



$$\mathcal{M}'(z, P_z, P_z^0) = \frac{\sum_n C_n(\mu^2 z^2) \frac{(-izP_z)^n}{n!} \int_{-1}^1 dy y^n q(y, \mu) + r(aP_z)^2}{\sum_n C_n(\mu^2 z^2) \frac{(-izP_z^0)^n}{n!} \int_{-1}^1 dy y^n q(y, \mu) + r(aP_z^0)^2}$$

such a correction shift the 2nd moment in  $(z/a)^{-2}$  manner

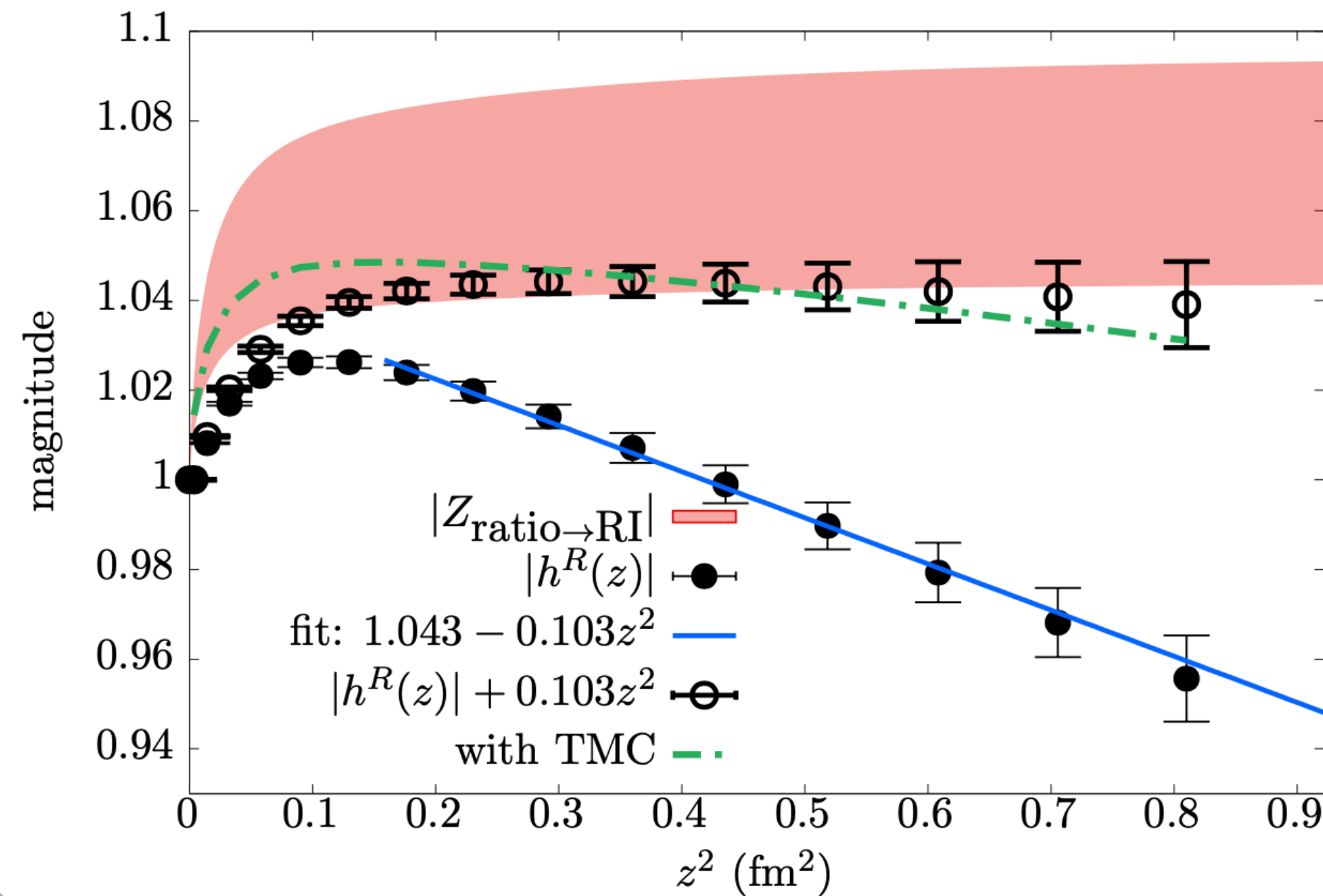
$$\langle x^2 \rangle \rightarrow \langle x^2 \rangle - \frac{2r}{c_2(\mu^2 z^2)} \frac{1}{(z/a)^2}$$



The  $z$  dependence of  $\langle x^2 \rangle(z)$  obtained by fitting the ratio  $\mathcal{M}(z, P_z, P_z^0)$  at different fixed values of  $z$ .



# Pion valence quark PDF: Higher twist effect



The expectations from the 1-loop leading twist results are shown as the red bands. The lattice data after subtracting the  $z^2$  correction term is shown using open circles.

For  $P_z = 0$ , the only non-zero twist-2 contribution is from the local current operator, in  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  scheme:

$$h_{\gamma^t}^R(z, P_z = 0, \mu^2 z^2) = C_0(\mu^2 z^2) + \mathcal{O}(z^2 m_h^2, z^2 \Lambda_{QCD}^2)$$

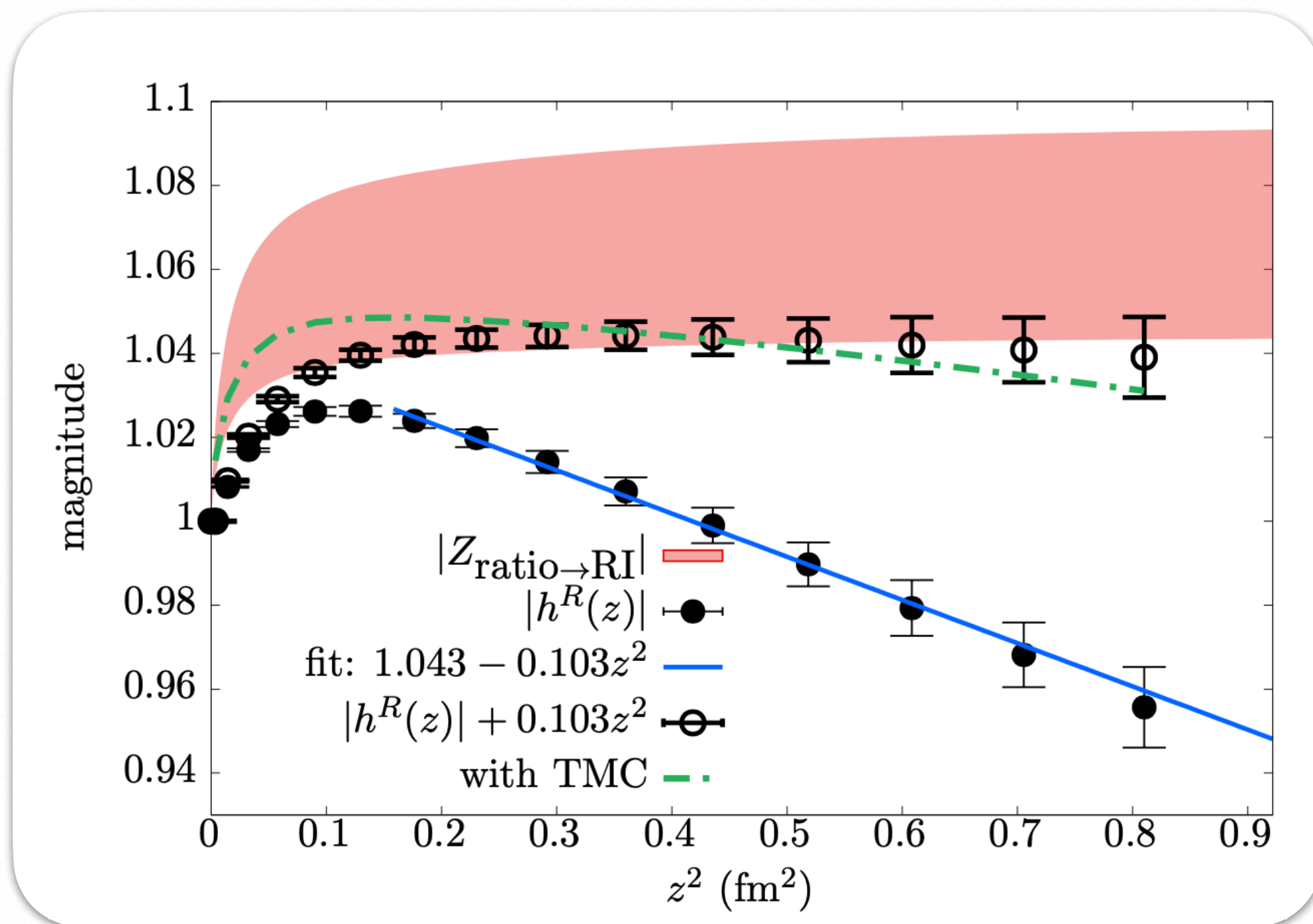
Then we compare with the  $P_z = 0$  lattice data renormalized in RI-MOM scheme:

$$h^R(z, P_z, p^R) = Z_{\gamma_t \gamma_t}(z, p^R, a) h_{\gamma^t}^B(z, P_z, a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & Z_{\overline{\text{MS}} \rightarrow \text{RI}}(z, p^R, \mu) h_{\gamma^t}^R(z, P_z = 0, \mu^2 z^2) \\ &= h^R(z, P_z = 0, p^R) + \textcolor{red}{k} z^2 \end{aligned}$$

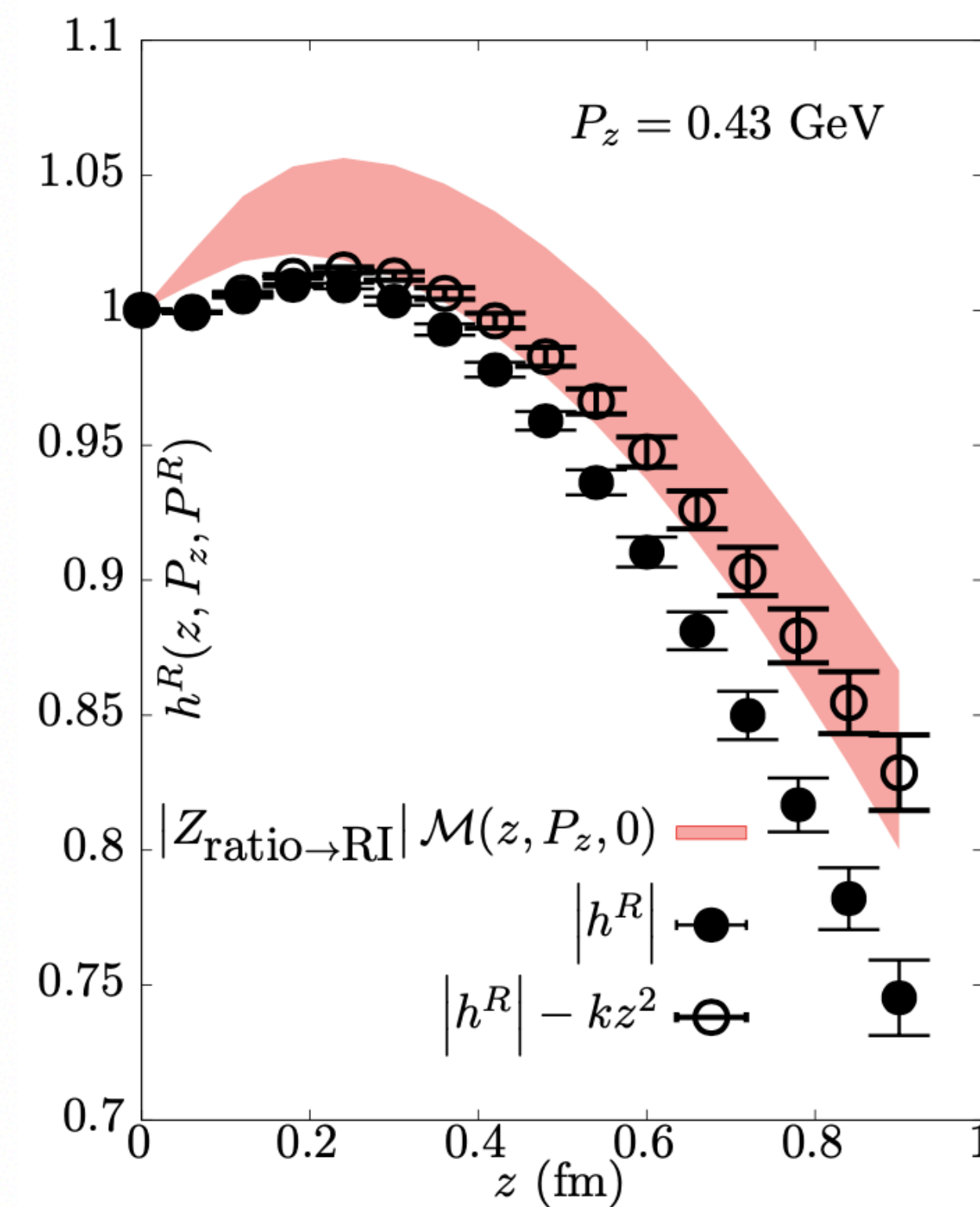


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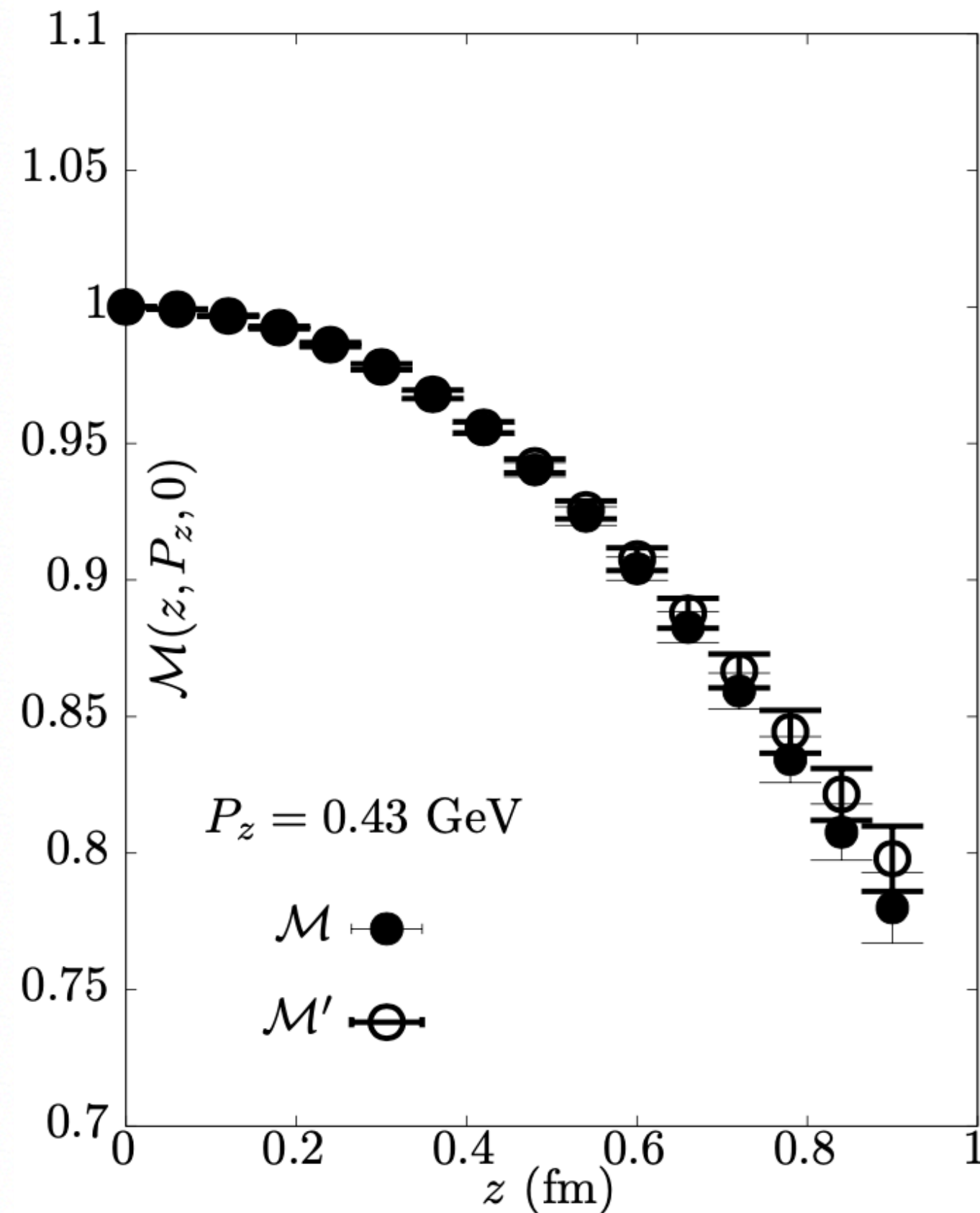
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We apply this  $kz^2$  term to non-zero momentum case, and **self-consistently justified** that the observed  $kz^2$  effect in  $P_z = 0.43$  GeV is almost the same as in  $P_z = 0$ .





# Pion valence quark PDF: Higher twist effect



We compare the improved ratio with the standard reduced ITD, and they agree with each other within the error. This help us understand that benefit from the cancelation between numerator and denominator, the **Ratio Scheme suffer less higher twist effect.**

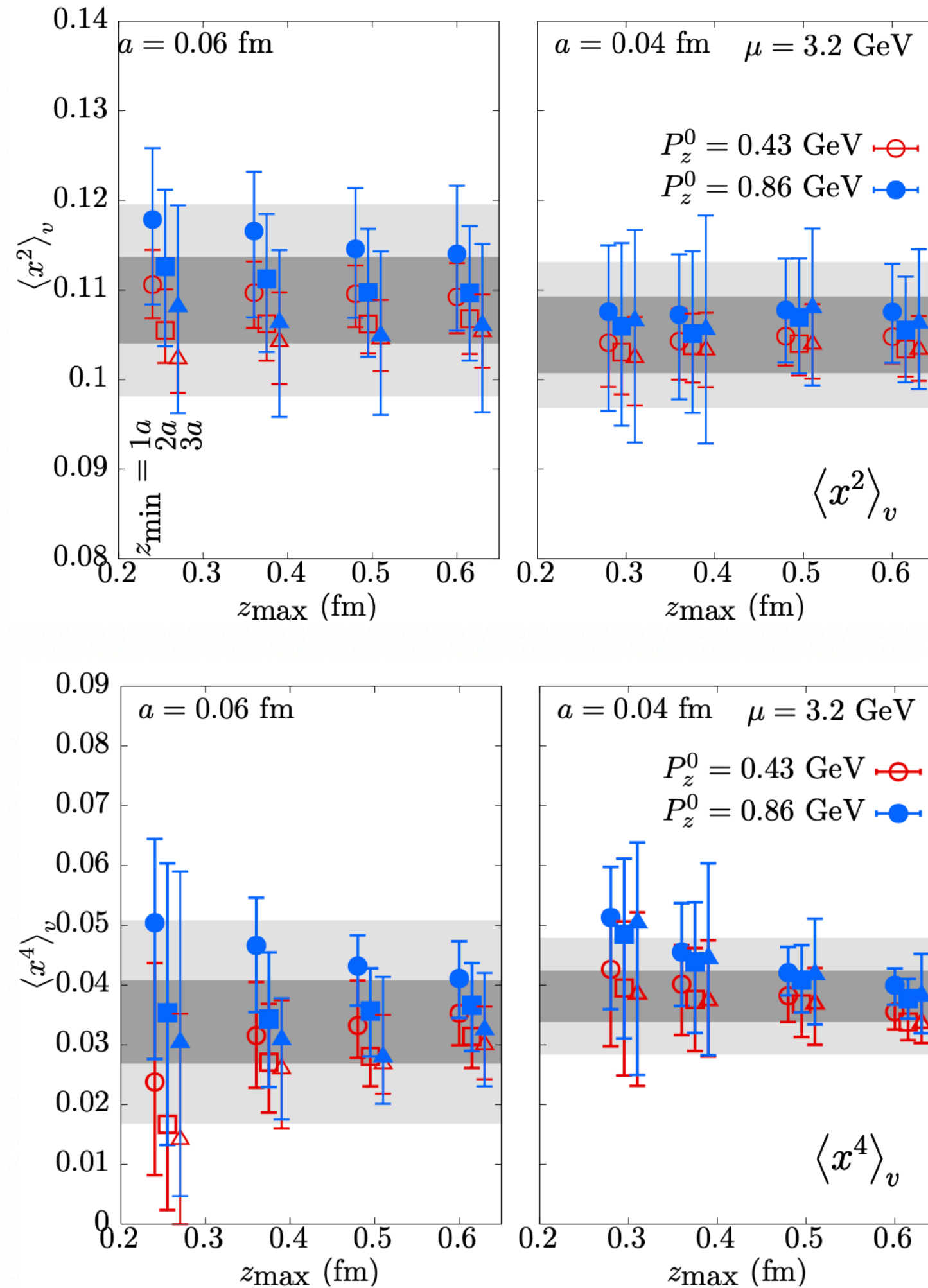
$$\mathcal{M}(z, P_z, P_z^0) = \frac{h_{\gamma^*}^B(zP_z, a)}{h_{\gamma^*}^B(zP_z^0, a)}$$

$$\mathcal{M}'(z, P_z, P_z^0 = 0) \equiv \frac{|h^R(z, P_z, P^R)| - kz^2}{|h^R(z, P_z = 0, P^R)| - kz^2}$$



# Pion valence quark PDF: Moments

## Model independent analysis of moments

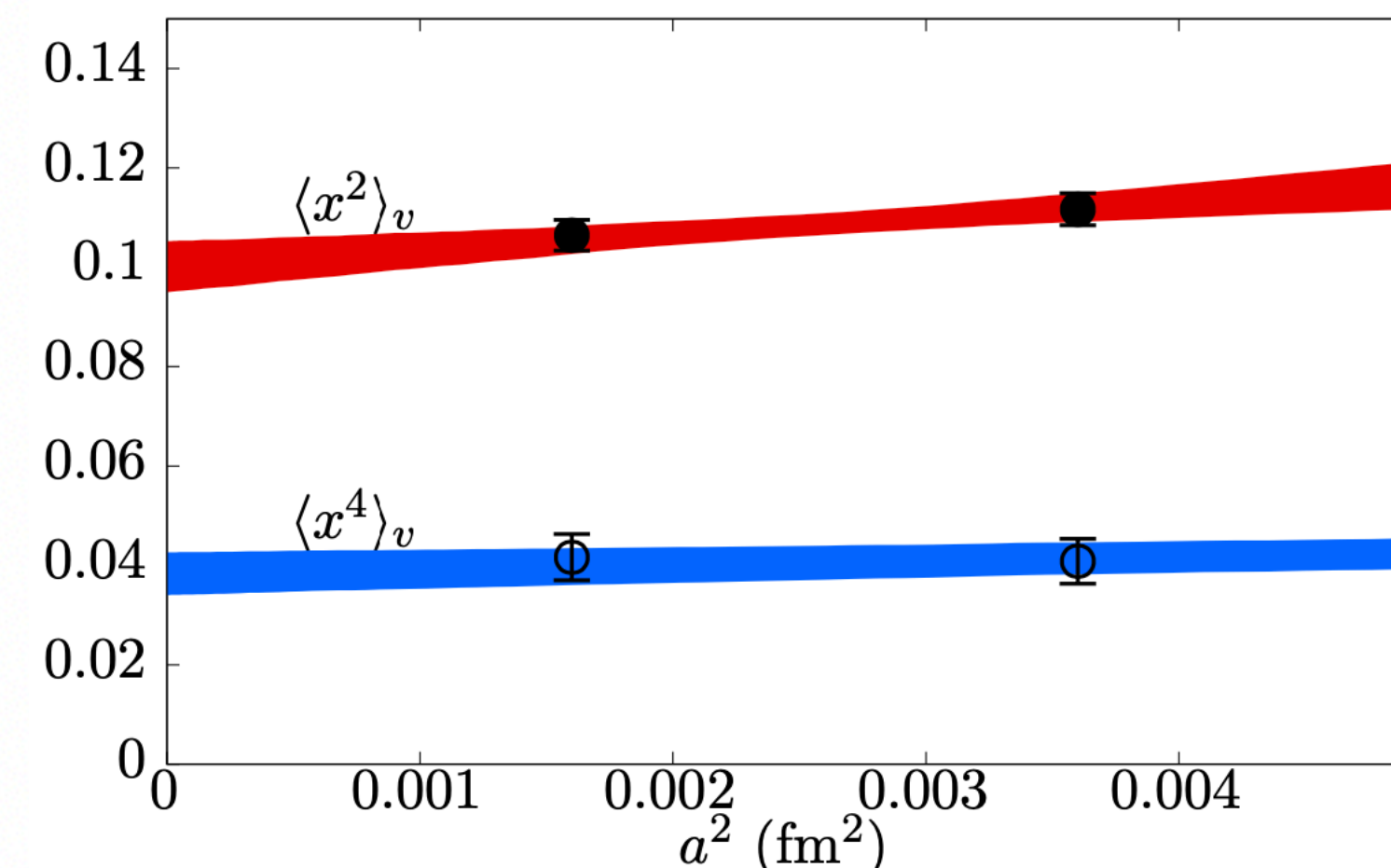
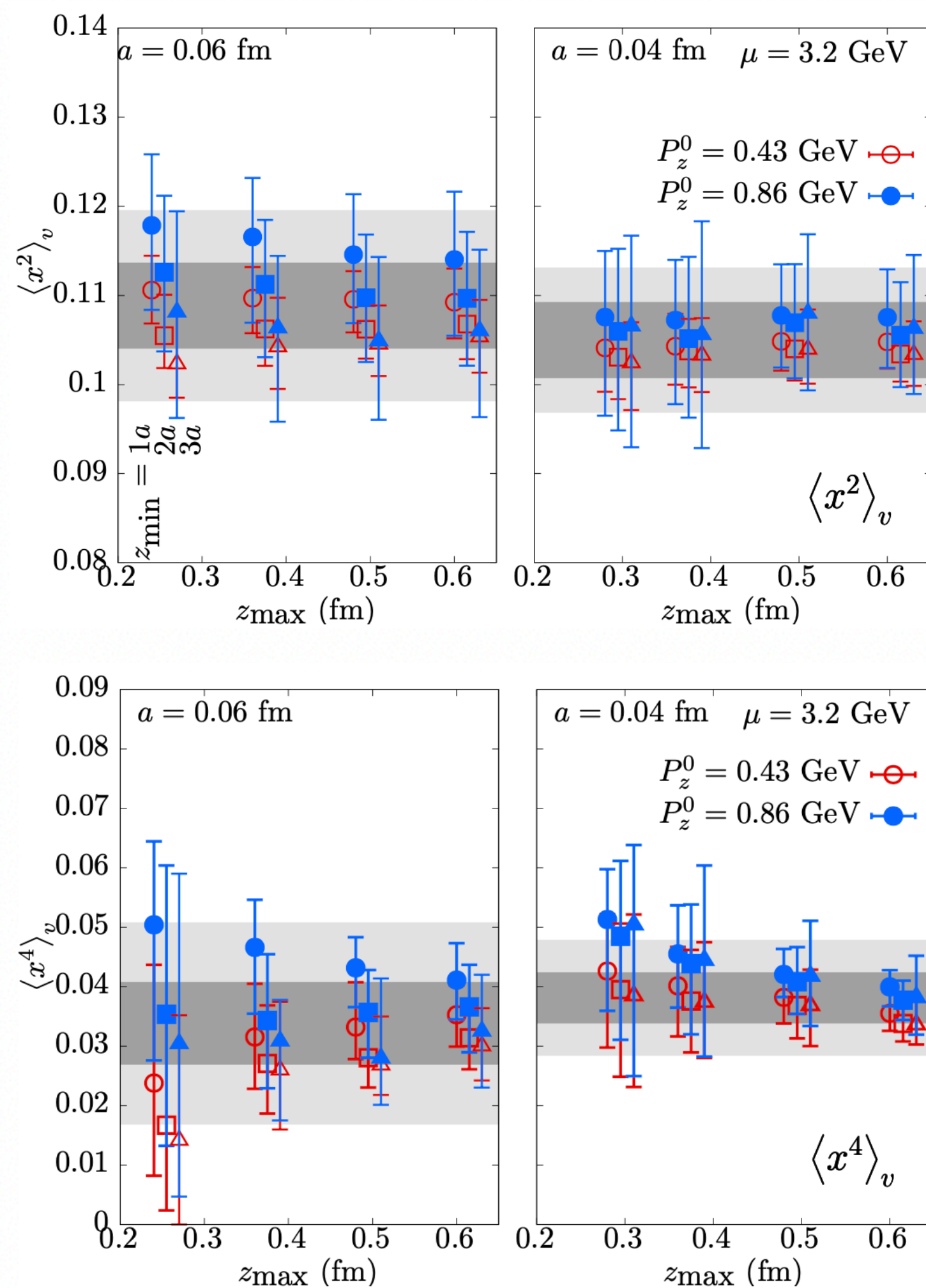


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## Estimate of continuum extrapolation

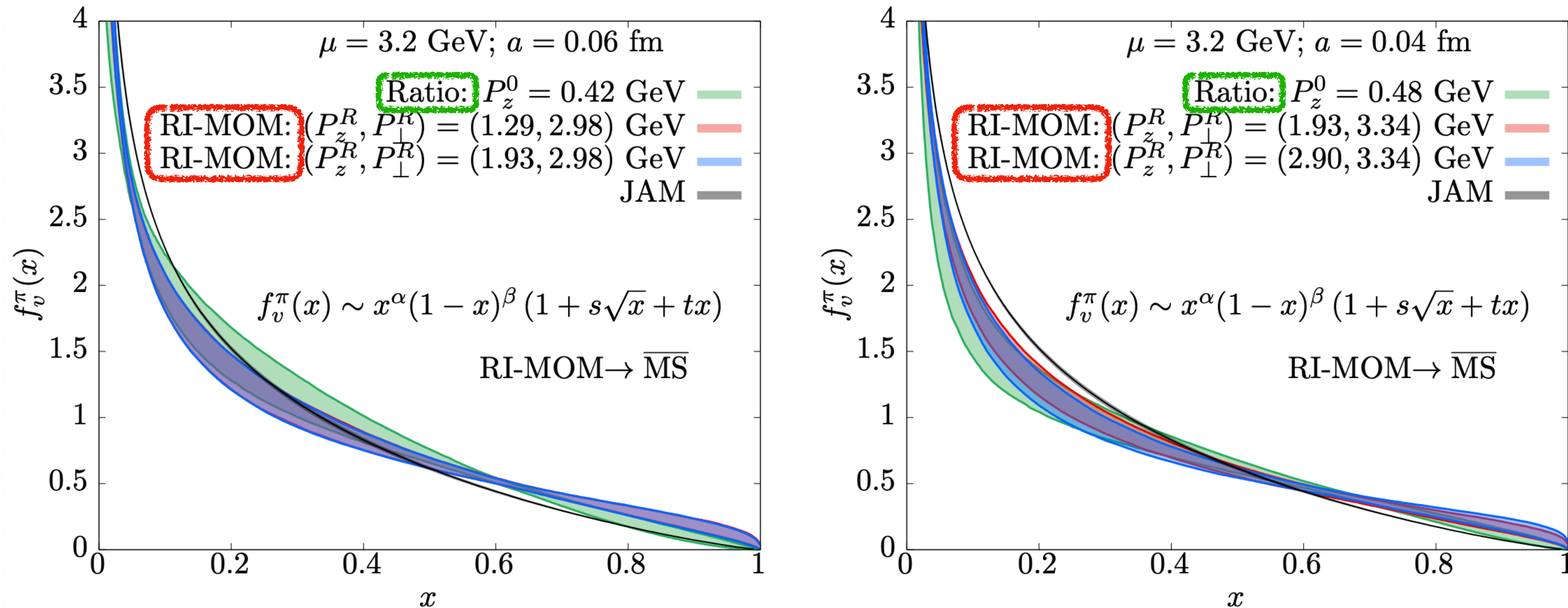
$$\langle x^n \rangle_v(a) = \langle x^n \rangle_v + d_n a^2$$

This work	JAM
$\langle x^2 \rangle = 0.0993(71)(54)$	0.095
$\langle x^4 \rangle = 0.0356(39)(60)$	0.032



# Pion valence quark PDF: Model dependent fit

Model dependent fit by two different methods:

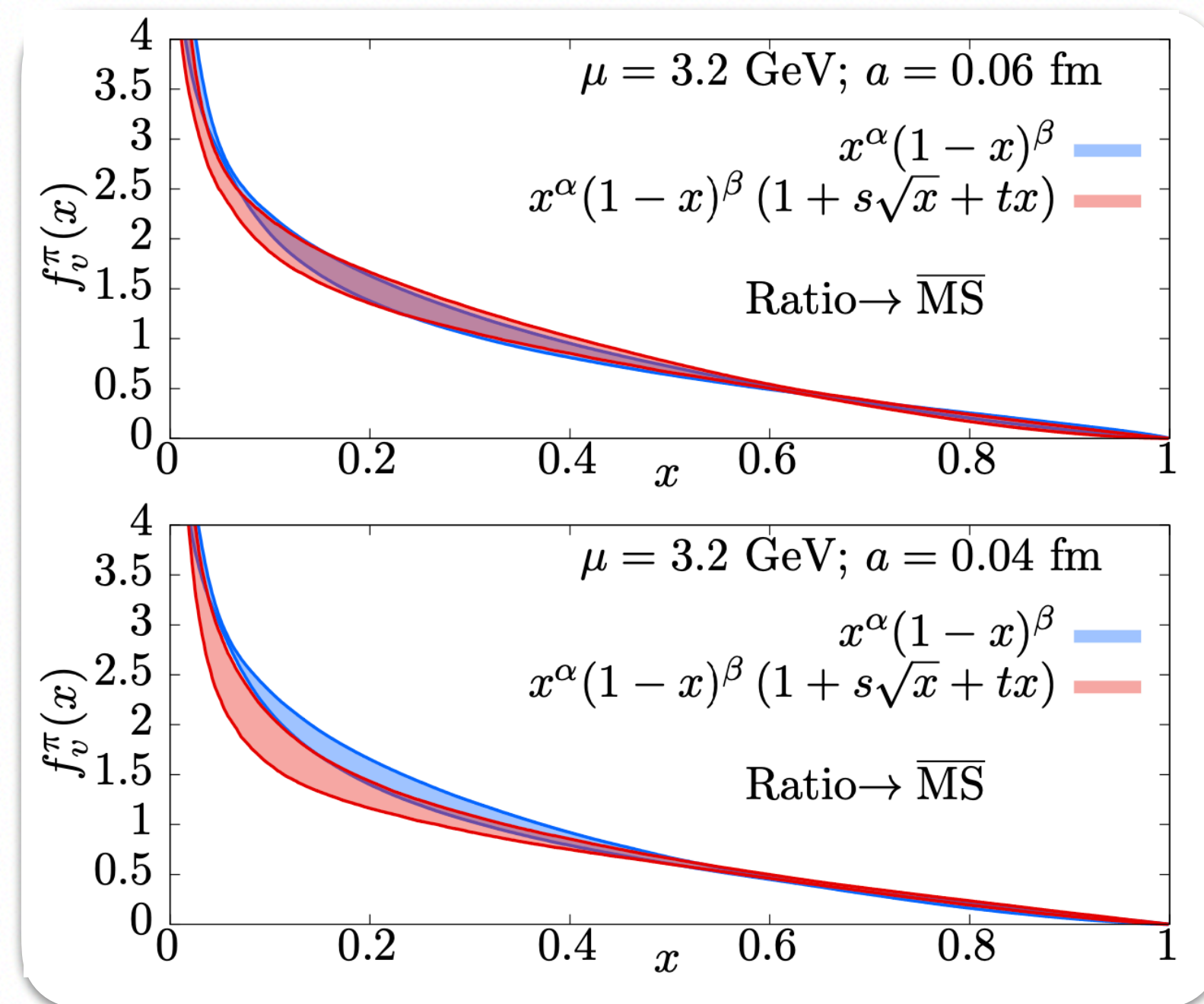


- The results using two different renormalization scales  $P^R$  (red and blue band) are consistent with each other as one would expect.
- The RI- MOM (red and blue band) results agree overall with the one from ratio scheme (Green band).



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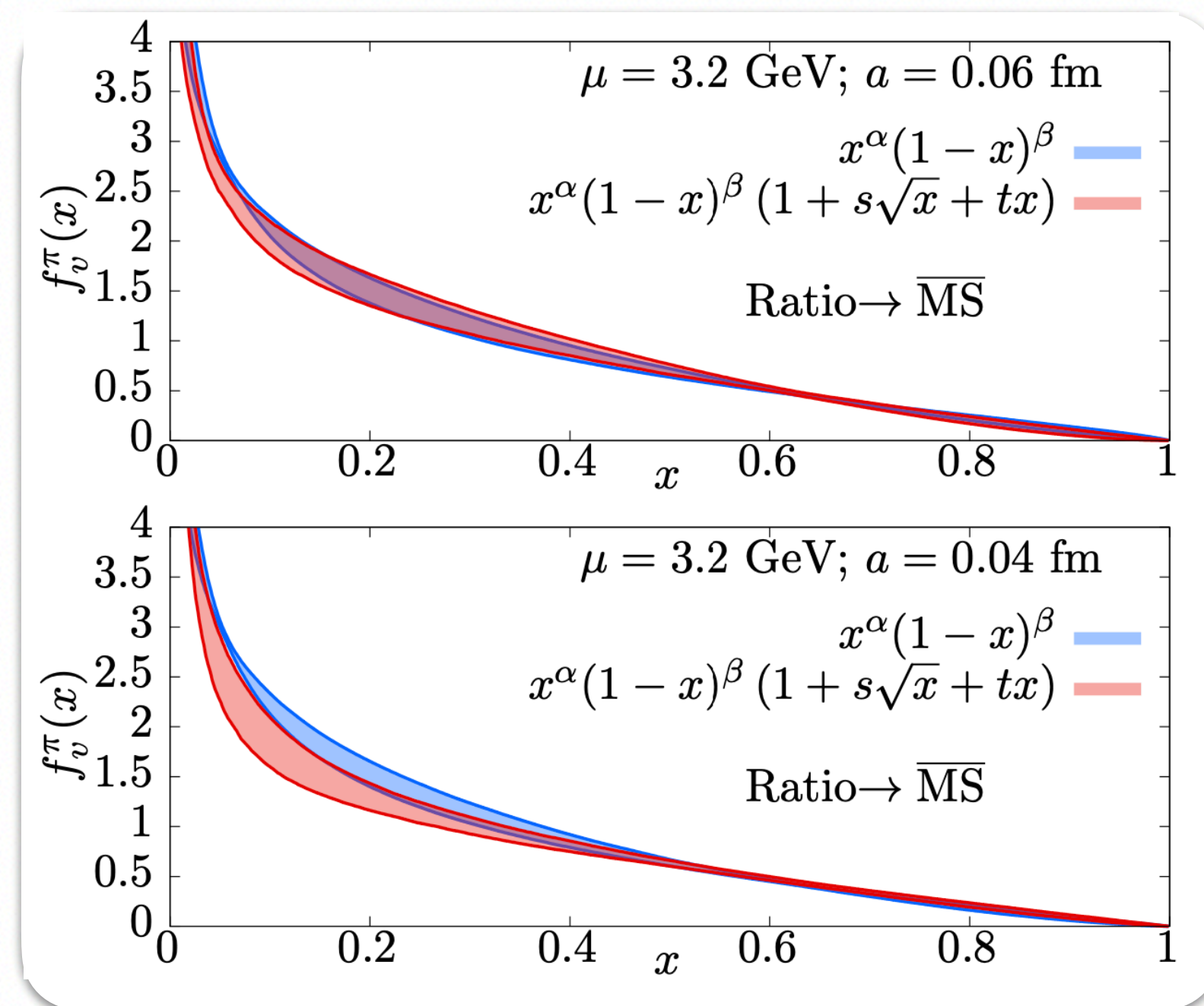


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The large  $x$  behavior:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} f_v^\pi \sim (1-x)^\beta$$

$$a \rightarrow 0$$

$$\alpha = \begin{cases} -0.37^{+(16)(13)}_{-(11)(13)}, & a = 0.06 \text{ fm} \\ -0.55^{+(11)(09)}_{-(08)(09)}, & a = 0.04 \text{ fm} \end{cases} \quad -0.61(16)(08)$$

$$\beta = \begin{cases} 1.05^{+(42)(30)}_{-(42)(33)}, & a = 0.06 \text{ fm} \\ 0.76^{+(22)(24)}_{-(20)(24)}, & a = 0.04 \text{ fm} \end{cases} \quad 0.77(26)(30)$$

The downside of the model dependent analysis is the question of whether by using a sufficiently general functional form  $f_v^\pi(x)$ , it is possible to find  $\beta \approx 2$ . For example, if we performed the analysis with  $\beta = 2$  fixed, the  $\chi^2/dof$  is between 1.5 and 2 while the global minimum between 0.5 and 1 when  $\beta$  was allowed as a free parameter.



# Pion valence quark PDF: Large x behavior

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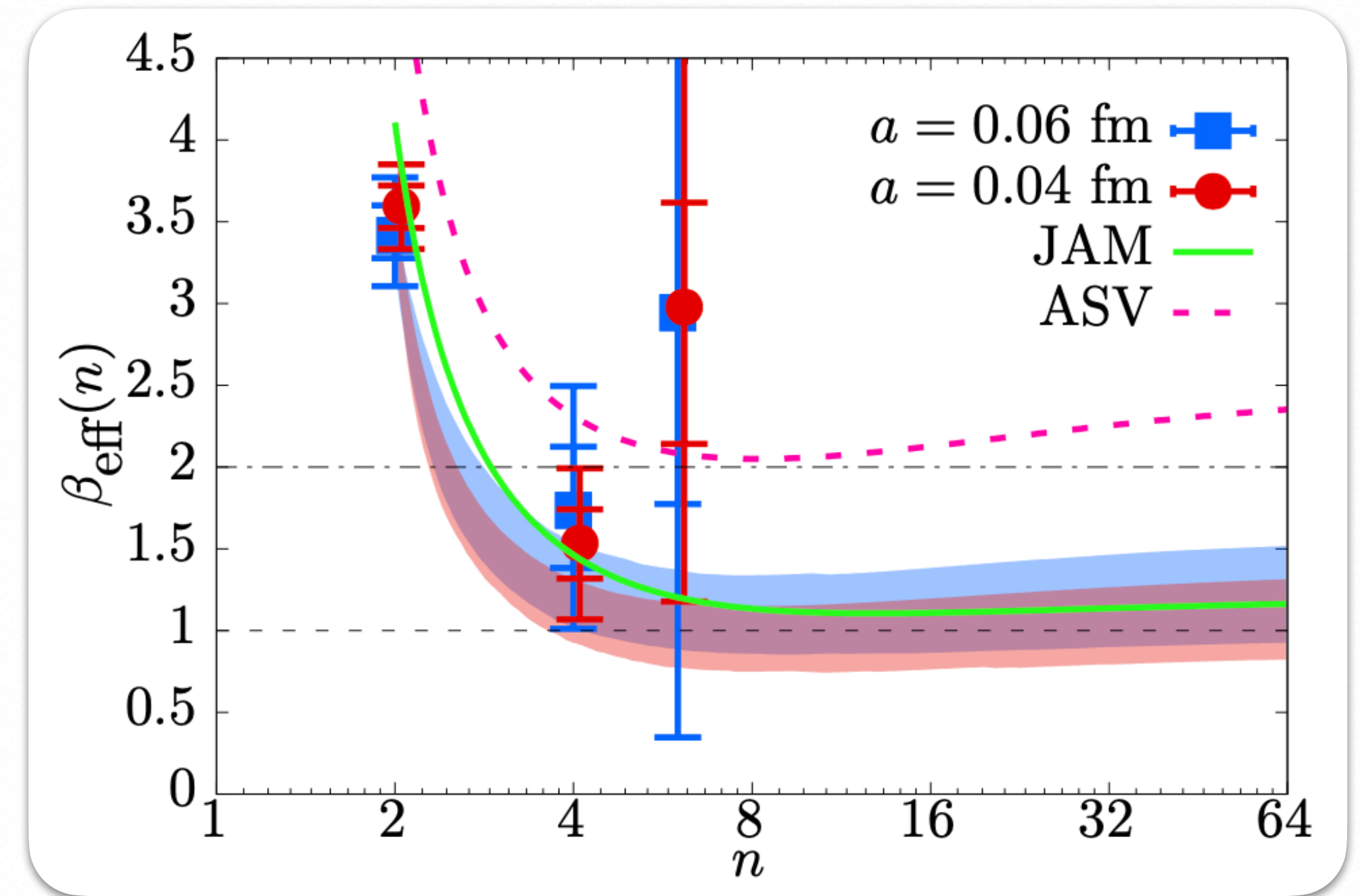
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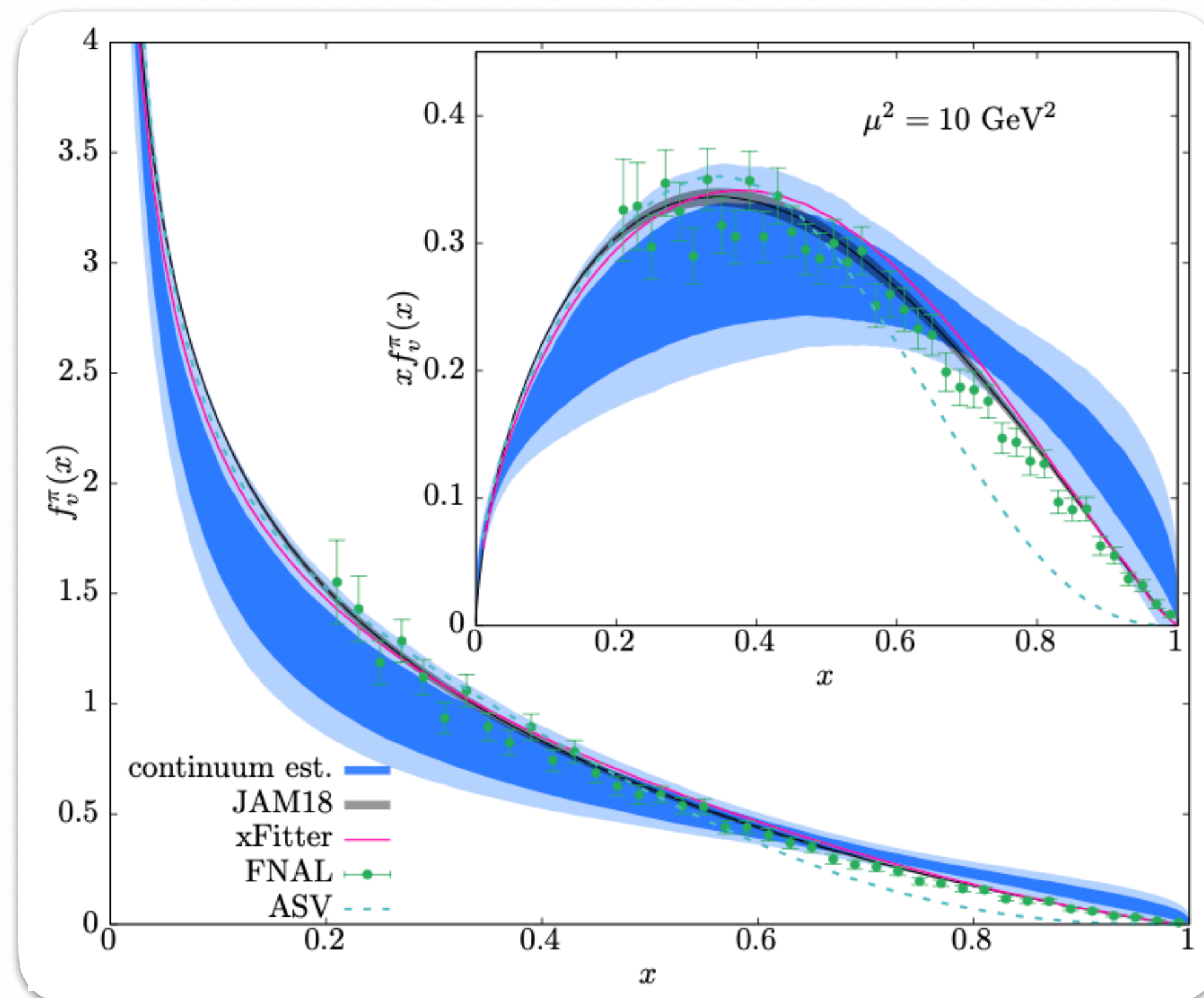


The blue and red band are from our model dependent PDF of two different lattice, and the green line and dashed line are corresponding to JAM and ASV.

$$\beta_{\text{eff}}(n=4) = \begin{cases} 1.73^{+(39)(37)}_{-(35)(37)}, & a = 0.06 \text{ fm} \\ 1.53^{+(21)(25)}_{-(21)(25)}, & a = 0.04 \text{ fm.} \end{cases}$$



# Pion valence quark PDF: Summary



BNL, SBU & THU, arXiv:2007.06590

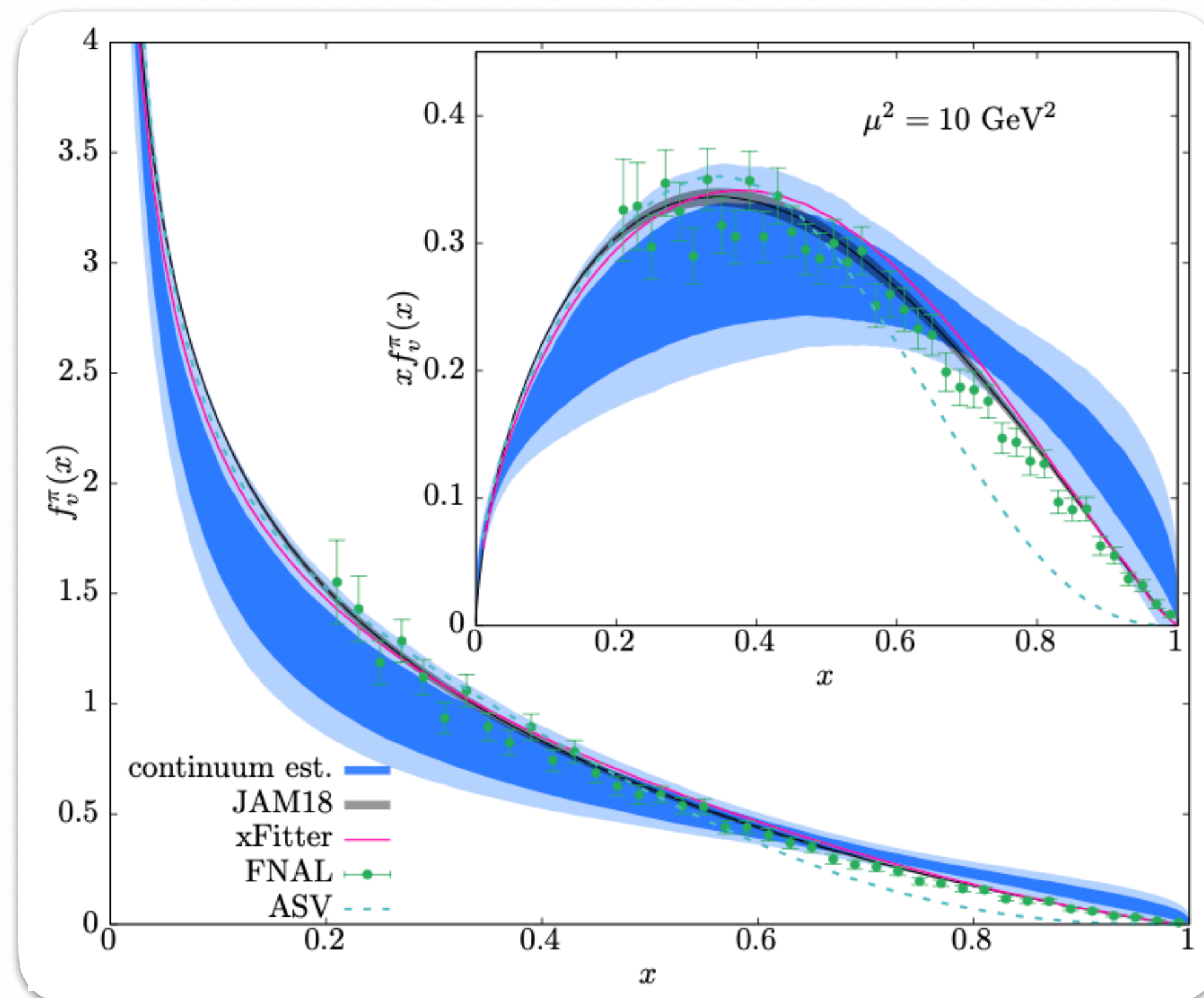
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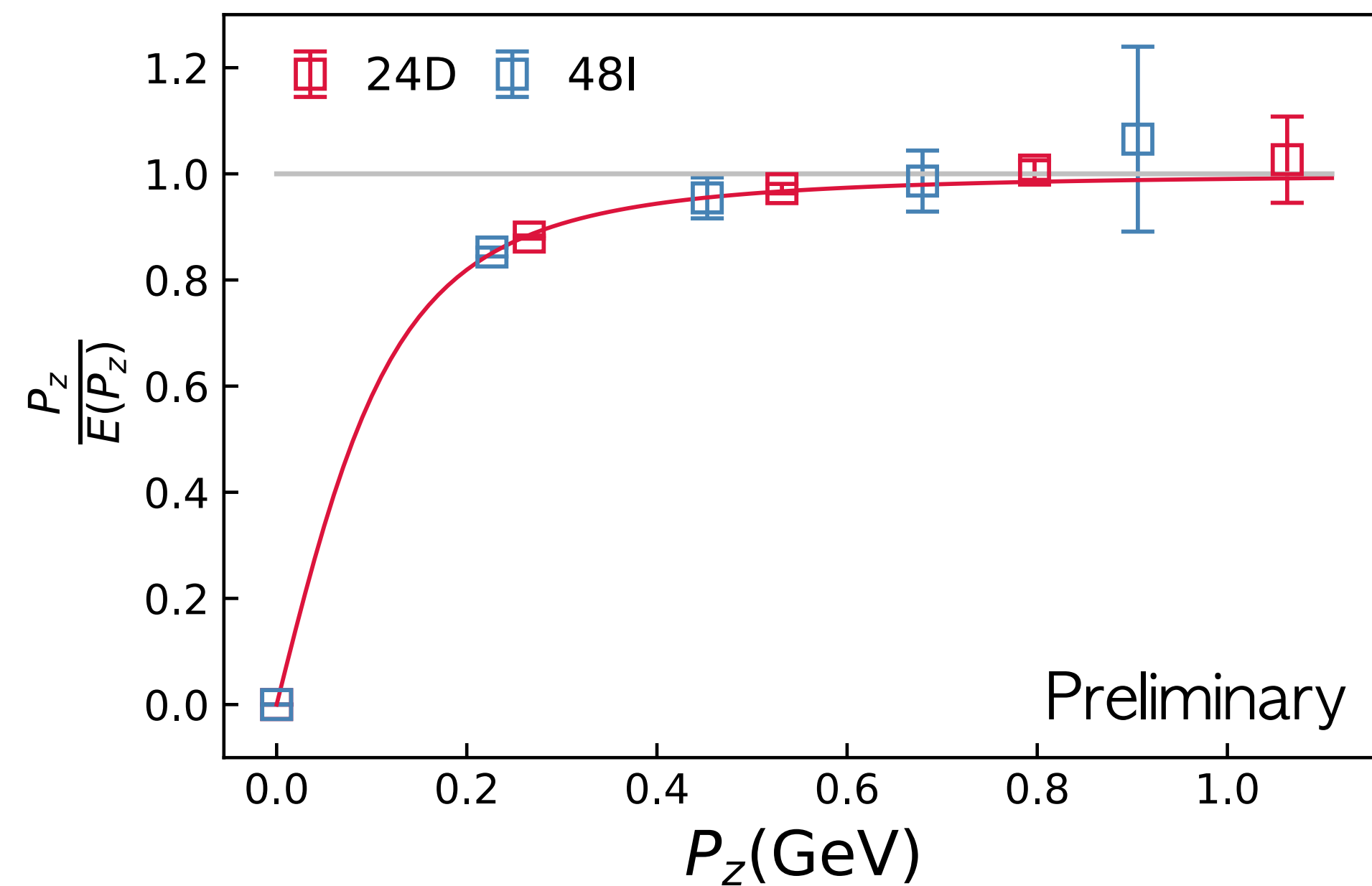


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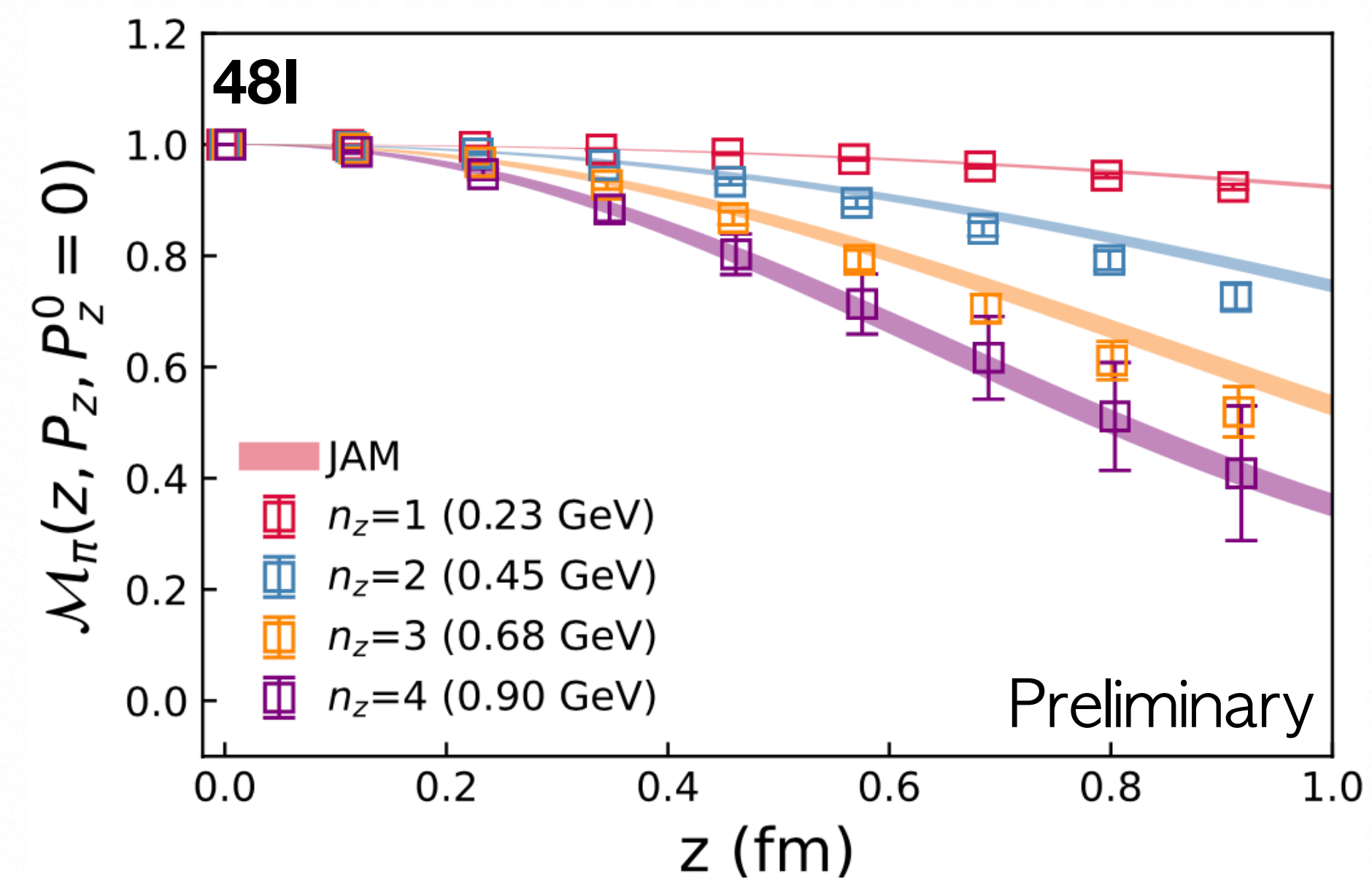
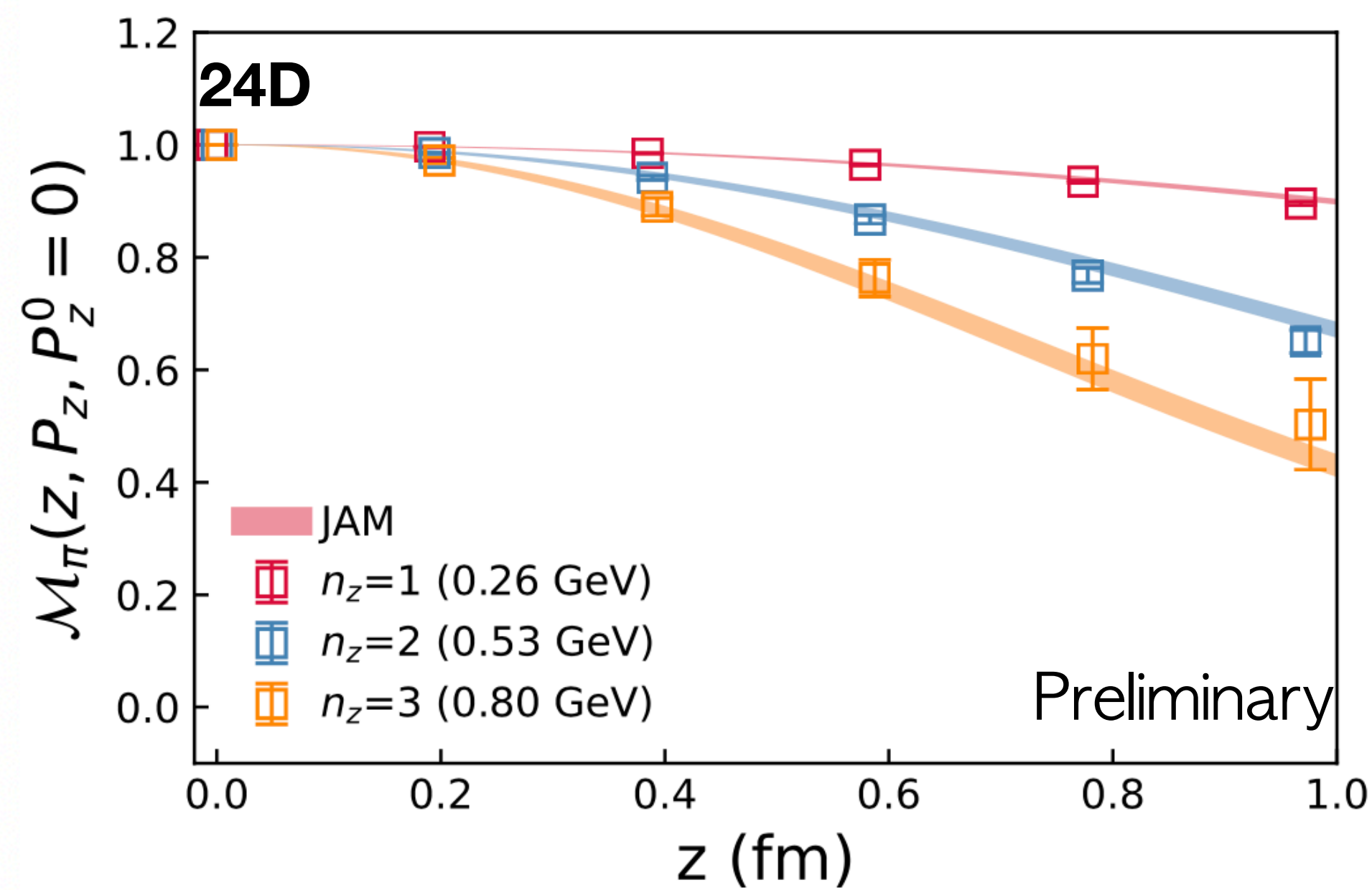
# Preliminary results from DWF



Lattce	a(fm)	$P_z$	$t_s$	z	#cfgs	$M_\pi$ (GeV)	$M_N$ (GeV)
24D ( $24^3 \times 64$ )	0.1944	[0,4]	4,6,8	[-12,12]	101( $\times 64$ )	0.1420(4)	0.961(11)
48I ( $48^3 \times 96$ )	0.1141	[0,4]	4,6,8	[-24,24]	22( $\times 48$ )	0.138(1)	0.994(55)



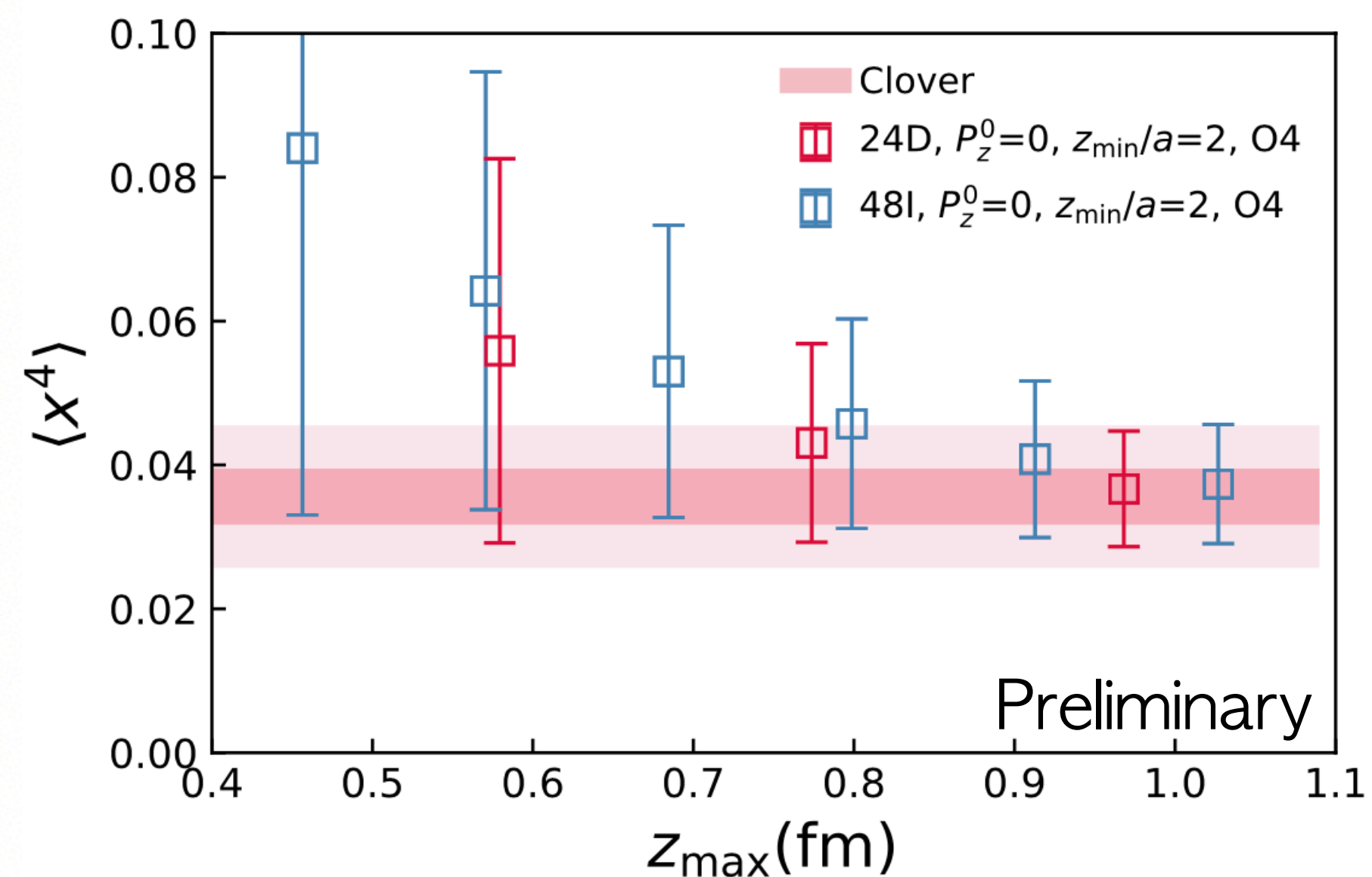
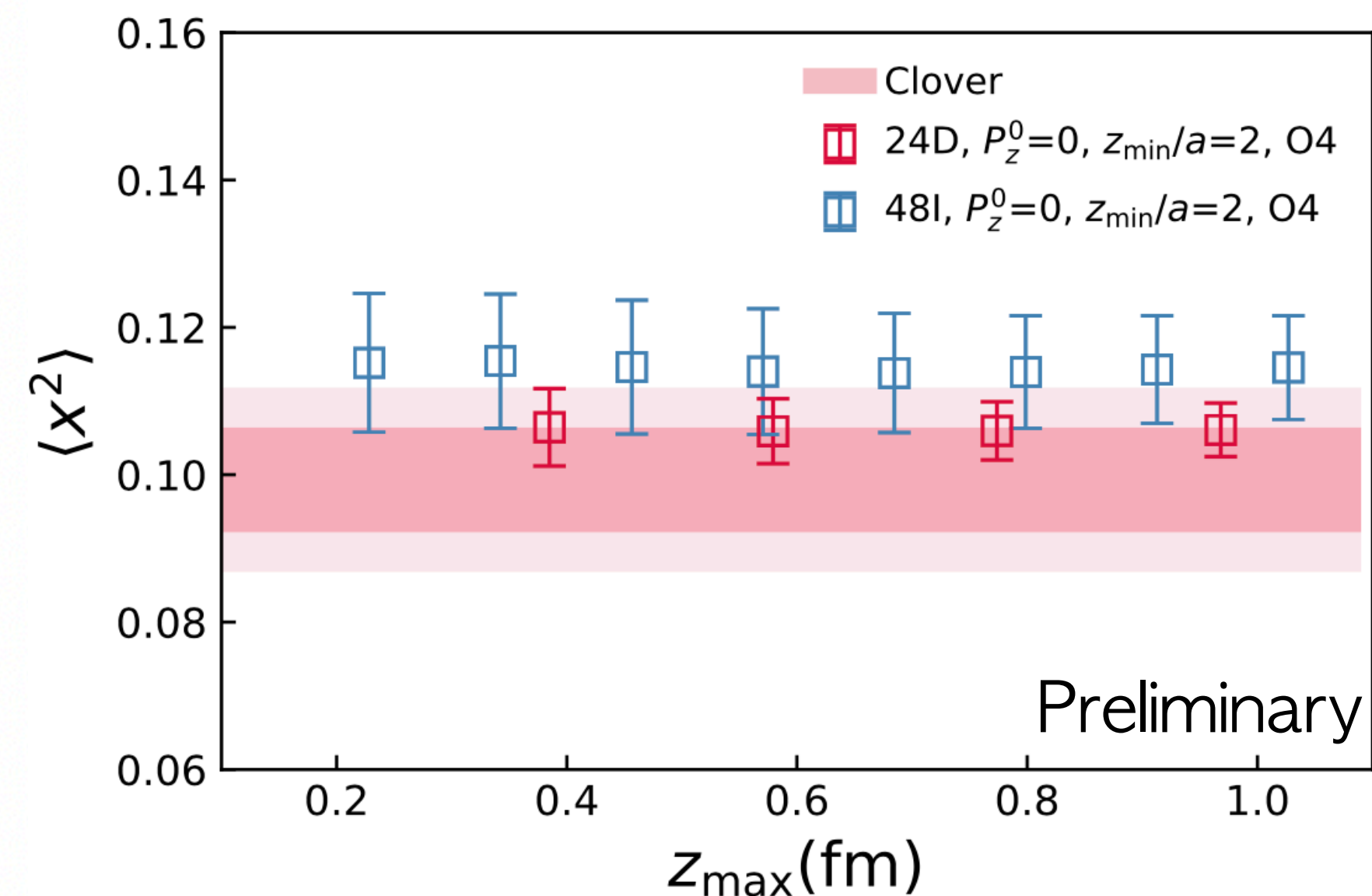
# Preliminary results from DWF: rITD



$$\frac{h_{\gamma^t}^B(z, P_z, a)}{h_{\gamma^t}^B(z, P_z^0 = 0, a)} = \sum_n \frac{C_n(\mu^2 z^2)}{C_0(\mu^2 z^2)} \frac{(-izP_z)^n}{n!} \int_{-1}^1 dy y^n q(y, \mu)$$



# Preliminary results from DWF: Moments



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Since the momentum we have is relative small, we truncate the function up to 4th order, then fit to extract 2nd and 4th moments.

The bands are the best estimate from our fine Clover+HISQ lattices. One can observe good agreement between this DWF calculation and our previous Clover+HISQ results.



# Summary

- We studied pion valence quark PDF in the frame of LaMET using both RI-MOM and ratio-based schemes.
- The higher twist effect and lattice artifacts are investigated empirically.
- We reconstruct the  $x$ -dependent pion valence PDF, as well as infer the first few moments.
- Preliminary results from DWF show good agreement with Clover+HISQ.