

The $B \rightarrow \pi l \nu$ and $B_s \rightarrow K l \nu$ form factors from 2+1 flavor lattice QCD

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Motivation

A precise determination of $|V_{ub}|$ allows a strong test of the standard model.

The constraint on the apex $(\bar{\rho}, \bar{\eta})$ of the CKM triangle from $|V_{ub}|$ will strengthen tests of the Standard-Model CKM framework.

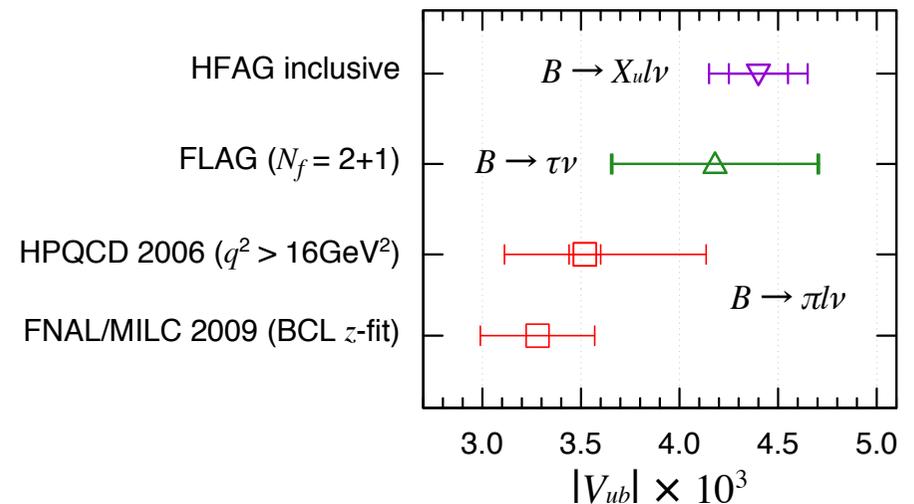
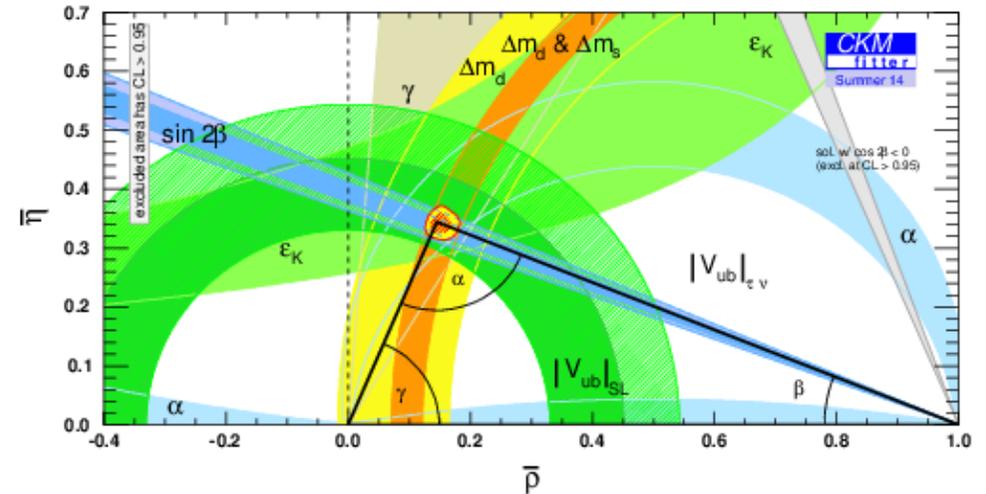
$$\frac{|V_{ub}|}{|V_{cb}|} = \frac{\lambda}{1 - \lambda^2/2} \sqrt{\bar{\rho}^2 + \bar{\eta}^2}$$

- ▶ $\lambda = |V_{ud}|$ known to $\sim 1\%$
- ▶ $|V_{cb}|$ known to $\sim 2\%$

Dominant error (green ring) comes from the uncertainty of $|V_{ub}|$ ($\sim 10\%$).

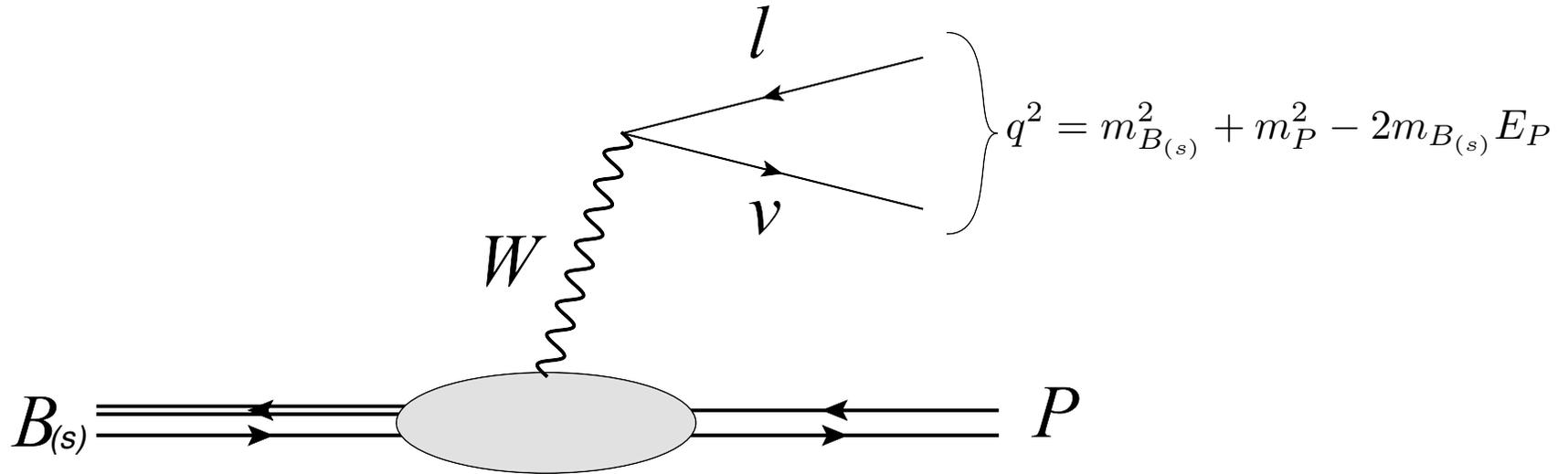
There has been a long standing puzzle in the determination of $|V_{ub}|$.

$\sim 3\sigma$ discrepancy between exclusive ($B \rightarrow \pi l \nu$) and inclusive ($B \rightarrow X_{ul} \nu$) determination.



Exclusive determination of $|V_{ub}|$

$f_+(q^2)$ is crucial for the determination of the CKM matrix element $|V_{ub}|$.

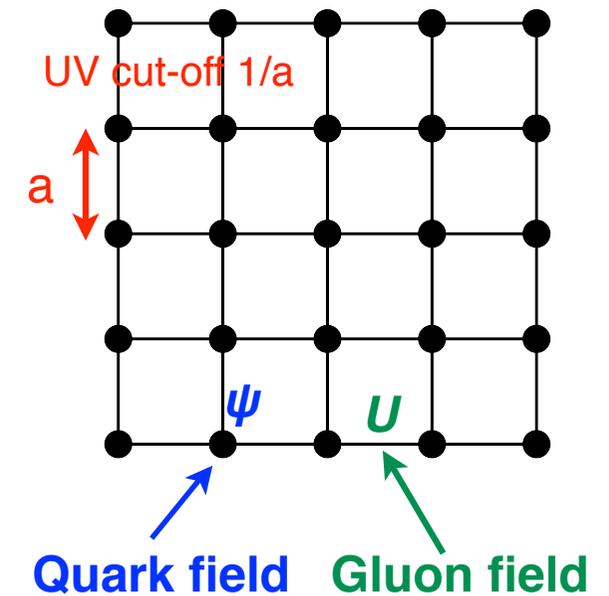


- The exclusive $B_{(s)} \rightarrow Pl\nu$ semileptonic decay allows the determination of $|V_{ub}|$ via:

$$\underbrace{\frac{d\Gamma}{dq^2}}_{\text{Experiment}} = \underbrace{\frac{G_F^2}{192\pi^3 m_{B(s)}^3}}_{\text{Known factor}} \left[(m_{B(s)}^2 + m_P^2 - q^2)^2 - 4m_{B(s)}^2 m_P^2 \right]^{3/2} \times \underbrace{|f_+(q^2)|^2}_{\text{Hadronic part}} \times \underbrace{|V_{ub}|}_{\text{CKM matrix}} \quad \text{Goal}$$

- Experiment can only measure the CKM matrix element times hadronic form factor.
- The hadronic form factor must be computed nonperturbatively via lattice QCD.

Lattice QCD



Recent major progress

- Unquenched QCD simulations (in chiral regime)
- (mostly) Nonperturbative renormalization method
- New approach to heavy quarks on the lattice

$$\langle \mathcal{O}^{\text{cont}} \rangle = \lim_{\substack{m_i \rightarrow m_i^{\text{phys}} \\ a \rightarrow 0 \\ m_b \rightarrow m_b^{\text{phys}}}} \int \mathcal{D}U \mathbf{Z}_\mathcal{O} \mathcal{O}^{\text{lat}}[U] \prod_{i=u,d,s} \det K_f[U] e^{-S_{YM}[U]}$$

This work

- 1. Sea quark effects : $N_f = 0$ (quench) $\rightarrow N_f = 2 \rightarrow N_f = 2+1$
- △ 2. Chiral-continuum limit : $m_{ud} > m_s/6 \rightarrow$ (physical point)
- 3. Renormalization factor : perturbative \rightarrow non-perturbative
- 4. heavy quark : Relativistic heavy quark action
- × 5. Statistics : All-mode averaging (AMA) method

Lattice actions and parameters

- We use the **2+1 flavor dynamical domain-wall fermion gauge field configurations** generated by the **RBC/UKQCD Collaborations**.

C. Allton et al. (RBC/UKQCD Collaboration), Phys. Rev. D78, 114509 (2008)

Y. Aoki et al. (RBC/UKQCD Collaboration), Phys.Rev. D83, 074508 (2011)

	$L \times T$	a [fm]	mud	ms	m_π [MeV]	# of configs.	# of sources
Fine Lattice	32×64	≈ 0.08	0.004	0.03	289	628	2
	32×64	≈ 0.08	0.006	0.03	345	445	2
	32×64	≈ 0.08	0.008	0.03	394	544	2
Coarse Lattice	24×64	≈ 0.11	0.005	0.04	329	1636	1
	24×64	≈ 0.11	0.01	0.04	422	1419	1

- Provides important cross-check of existing $N_f = 2+1$ calculations using the MILC staggered ensembles.
- For the b -quark we use the **relativistic heavy quark (RHQ) action** developed by Li, Lin, and Christ in Refs. N. H. Christ, M. Li, and H.-W. Lin, Phys.Rev. D76, 074505 (2007)
H.-W. Lin and N. Christ, Phys.Rev. D76, 074506 (2007)
- We use the nonperturbative determinations of the parameters of the RHQ action obtained in Y.Aoki et. al Phys. Rev. D 86, 116003 (2012).

Form-factor definitions

- Non-perturbative form factors $f_+(q^2)$ and $f_0(q^2)$ parametrize the hadronic matrix element of the $b \rightarrow u$ quark flavor-changing vector current V_μ .

$$\langle P|V_\mu|B_{(s)}\rangle = f_+(q^2) \left(p_{B_{(s)}}^\mu + p_P^\mu - \frac{m_{B_{(s)}}^2 - p_P^2}{q^2} q^\mu \right) + f_0(q^2) \frac{m_{B_{(s)}}^2 - p_P^2}{q^2} q^\mu$$

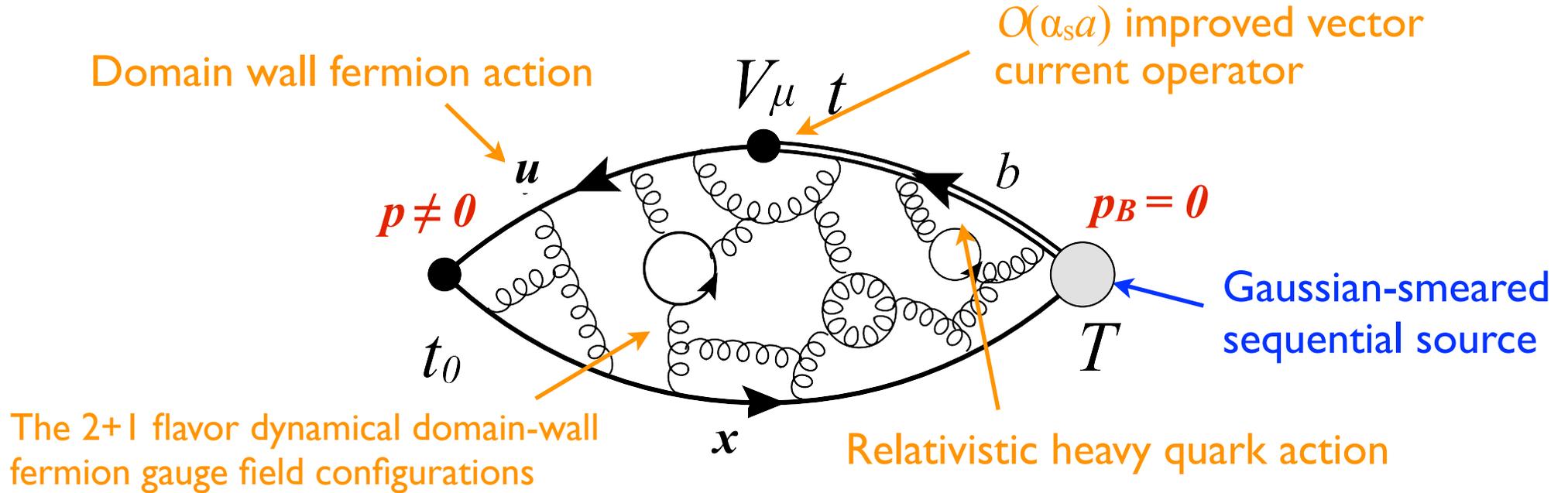
- On the lattice, we calculate the form factors $f_{||}$ and f_\perp .
 - ▶ Proportional to vector current matrix elements in the $B_{(s)}$ meson rest frame:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{||}(E_P) &= \langle P|V_0|B_{(s)}\rangle / \sqrt{2m_{B_{(s)}}} \\ f_\perp(E_P)p_i &= \langle P|V_i|B_{(s)}\rangle / \sqrt{2m_{B_{(s)}}} \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Easy to relate to the desired form factor $f_+(q^2)$ and $f_0(q^2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f_0(q^2) &= \frac{\sqrt{2m_{B_{(s)}}}}{m_{B_{(s)}}^2 - m_P^2} [(m_{B_{(s)}} - E_P)f_{||}(E_P) + (E_P^2 - m_P^2)f_\perp(E_P)] \\ f_+(q^2) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m_{B_{(s)}}}} [f_{||}(E_P) + (m_{B_{(s)}} - E_P)f_\perp(E_P)] \end{aligned}$$

Calculation of lattice form factors



- Extract the lattice form factor from the ratio of the 3pt function to 2pt functions:

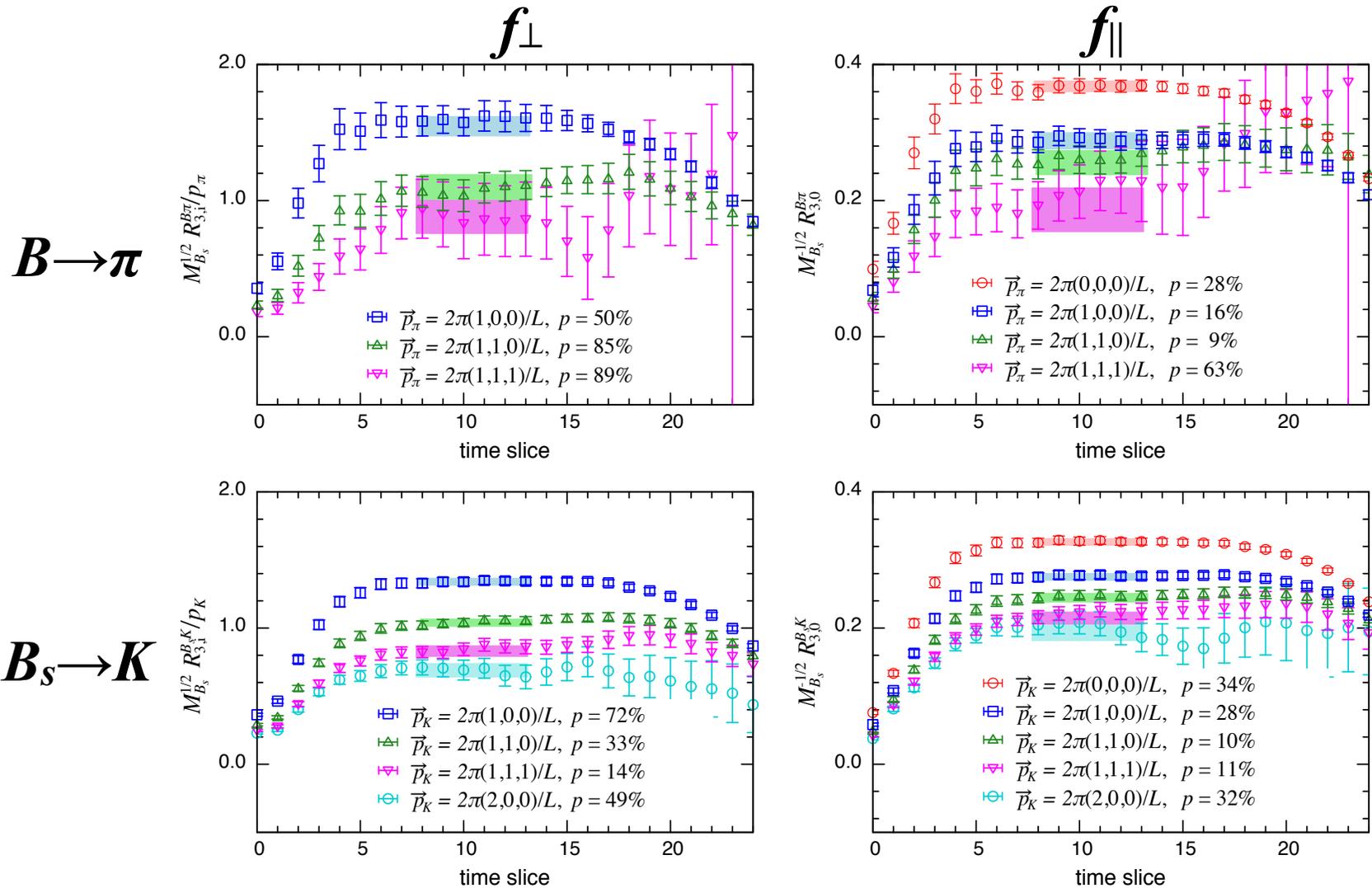
J. A. Bailey et al. (Fermilab Lattice and MILC), Phys. Rev. D79, 054507 (2009).

$$R_{3,\mu}^{B(s) \rightarrow P}(t, T) = \frac{C_{3,\mu}^{B(s) \rightarrow P}(t, T)}{\sqrt{C_2^P(t) C_2^{B(s)}(T-t)}} \sqrt{\frac{2E_P}{e^{-E_P t} e^{-m_{B(s)}(T-t)}}$$

$$f_{\parallel}^{\text{lat}} = \lim_{t, T \rightarrow \infty} R_0^{B(s) \rightarrow P}(t, T)$$

$$f_{\perp}^{\text{lat}} = \lim_{t, T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p_P^i} R_i^{B(s) \rightarrow P}(t, T)$$

Three-point correlator fits



- We use the lattice data up to (1,1,1) for $B \rightarrow \pi$ and (2,0,0) for $B_s \rightarrow K$.
- After a careful study, we fix source-sink separations $T - t_0$
- We fit the ratio to a plateau in the region $0 \ll t \ll T$.

Renormalization of lattice form factors

- The continuum form factors are given by

$$f_{\parallel}(E_P) = Z_{V_0}^{bl} \lim_{t, T \rightarrow \infty} R_0^{B(s) \rightarrow P}(E_P, t, T)$$

$$f_{\perp}(E_P) = Z_{V_i}^{bl} \lim_{t, T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p_P^i} R_i^{B(s) \rightarrow P}(E_P, t, T)$$

- We calculate the heavy-light current renormalization factor Z_V^{bl} using the **mostly nonperturbative method**.

A. X. El-Khadra et al. Phys.Rev. D64, 014502 (2001)

$$Z_{V_{\mu}}^{bl} = \overset{\approx 1}{\rho_{V_{\mu}}^{bl}} \sqrt{Z_V^{bb} Z_V^{ll}}$$

compute nonperturbatively

compute with 1-loop mean-field improved lattice perturbation theory

- ▶ ρ -factor calculated in PhySyHCAI (framework for automated lattice perturbation theory).
C. Lehner arXiv:1211.4013
- ▶ Z_V^{ll} obtained by the RBC/UKQCD collaborations by exploiting the fact $Z_A = Z_V$ for domain-wall fermions.
Y. Aoki et al. (RBC/UKQCD Collaboration), Phys.Rev. D83, 074508 (2011)
- ▶ Z_V^{bb} obtained from the matrix element of the $b \rightarrow b$ vector current between two B_s mesons.
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Chiral-continuum extrapolations of $f_{||}$ and f_{\perp}

- Correlated simultaneous chiral-continuum fit ($m_{\pi} \rightarrow m_{\pi}^{\text{phys}}, a \rightarrow 0$) to f_{\perp} and $f_{||}$ data using **Hard-pion NLO SU(2) χ PT**.

J. Bijnens and I. Jemos, Nucl. Phys. B 840, 54 (2010)

- ▶ Strange quark integrated out
- ▶ Applies to regime where $E_P \gg m_{\pi}$

$$f_{||}(m_{\pi}, E_P, a^2) = c_{||}^{(1)} \left(1 + (\delta f_{||})^{\text{Hard-pion}} + c_{||}^{(2)} \frac{m_{\pi}^2}{\Lambda^2} + c_{||}^{(3)} \frac{E_P}{\Lambda} + c_{||}^{(4)} \frac{E_P^2}{\Lambda^2} + c_{||}^{(5)} \frac{a^2}{\Lambda^2 a_{32}^4} \right)$$

$$f_{\perp}(m_{\pi}, E_P, a^2) = \frac{1}{E + m_B^* - m_B} c_{\perp}^{(1)} \left(1 + (\delta f_{\perp})^{\text{Hard-pion}} + c_{\perp}^{(2)} \frac{m_{\pi}^2}{\Lambda^2} + c_{\perp}^{(3)} \frac{E_P}{\Lambda} + c_{\perp}^{(4)} \frac{E_P^2}{\Lambda^2} + c_{\perp}^{(5)} \frac{a^2}{\Lambda^2 a_{32}^4} \right).$$

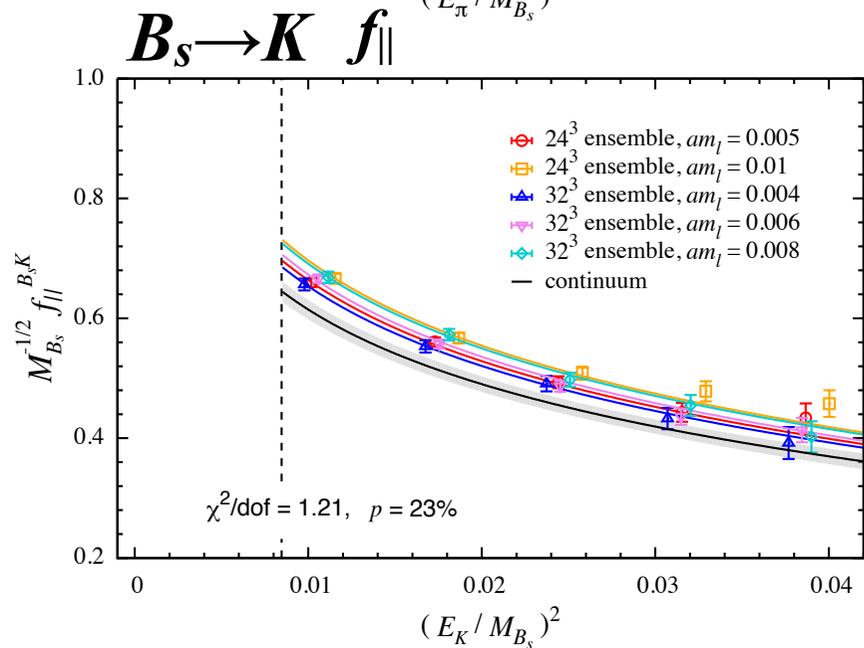
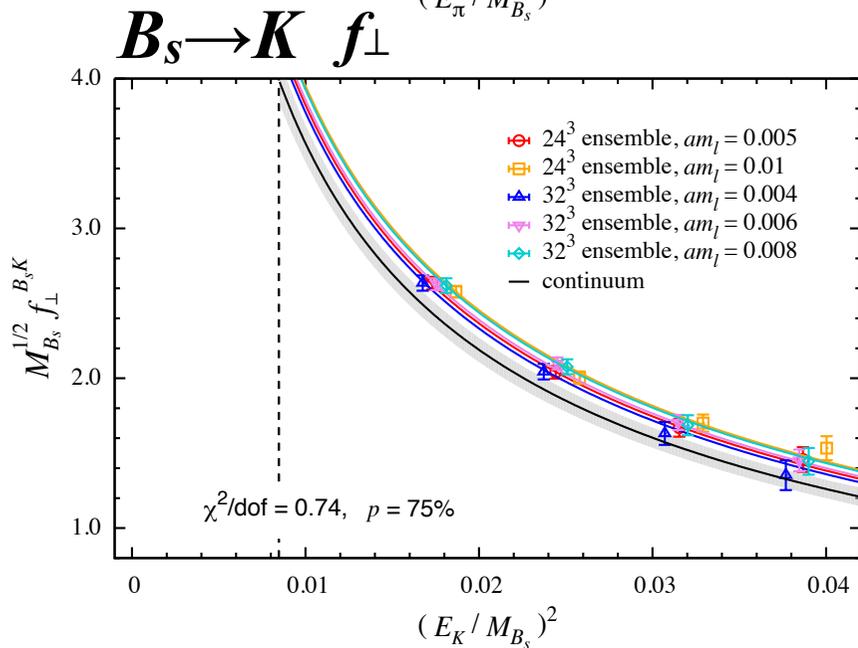
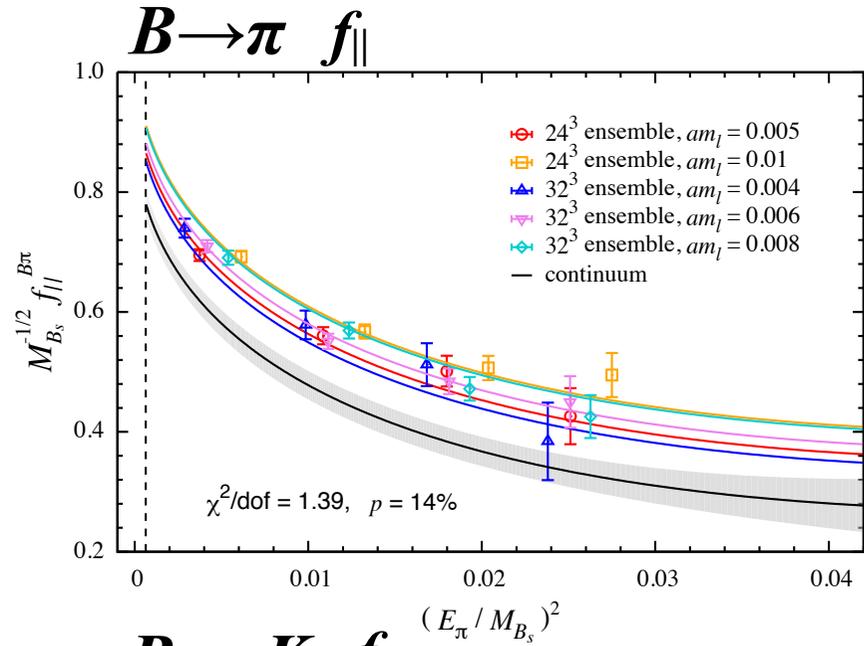
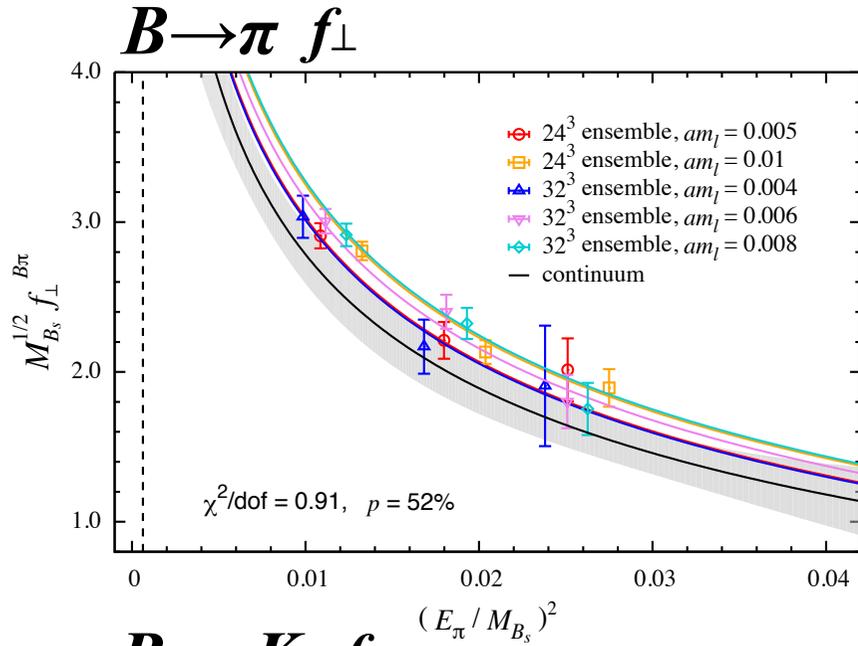
The function δf indicate non-analytic “log” functions of the pion mass.

- The hard-pion SU(2) logarithms are given by simply taking the limit $m_{\pi}/E_P \rightarrow 0$.

$$(4\pi f_{\pi})^2 (\delta f_{||,\perp}^{B \rightarrow \pi})^{\text{Hard-pion}} = -\frac{3}{4} (3g^2 + 1) m_{\pi}^2 \log \left(\frac{m_{\pi}^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

$$(4\pi f_{\pi})^2 (\delta f_{\perp,\parallel}^{B_s \rightarrow K})^{\text{Hard-pion}} = -\frac{3}{4} m_{\pi}^2 \log \left(\frac{m_{\pi}^2}{\Lambda^2} \right)$$

Chiral-continuum extrapolations of $f_{||}$ and f_{\perp}



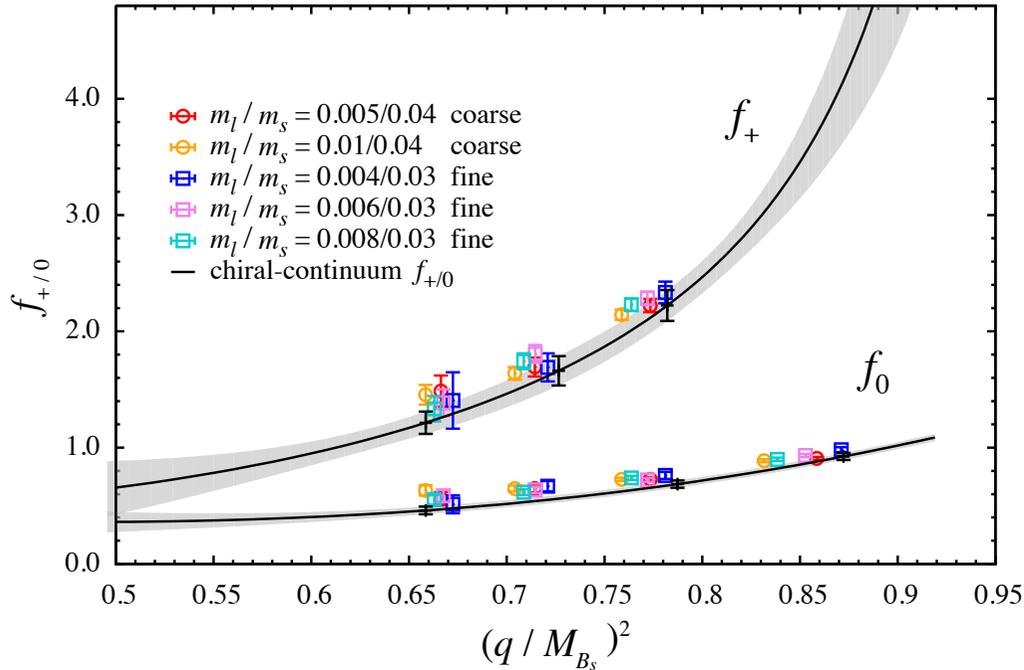
Black curves show chiral-continuum extrapolated $f_{||}$ and f_{\perp} with statistical errors.

f_+ and f_0

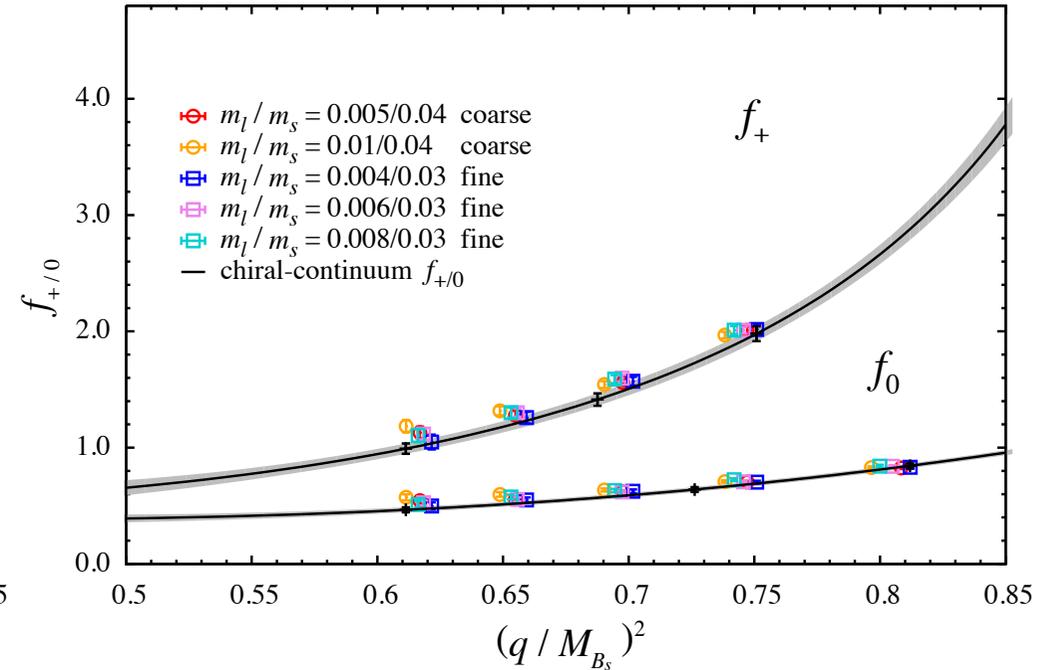
$$f_0(q^2) = \frac{\sqrt{2m_{B(s)}}}{m_{B(s)}^2 - m_P^2} [(m_{B(s)} - E_P)f_{\parallel}(E_P) + (E_P^2 - m_P^2)f_{\perp}(E_P)]$$

$$f_+(q^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m_{B(s)}}} [f_{\parallel}(E_P) + (m_{B(s)} - E_P)f_{\perp}(E_P)]$$

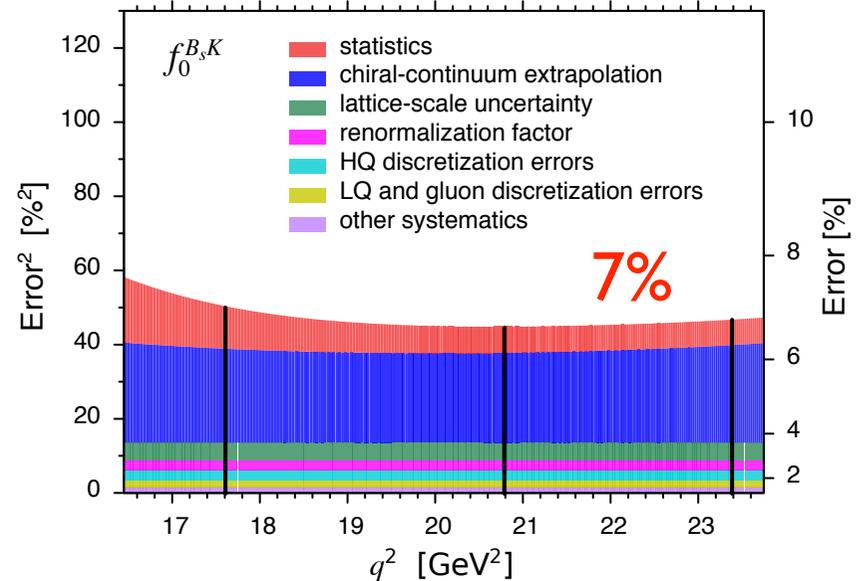
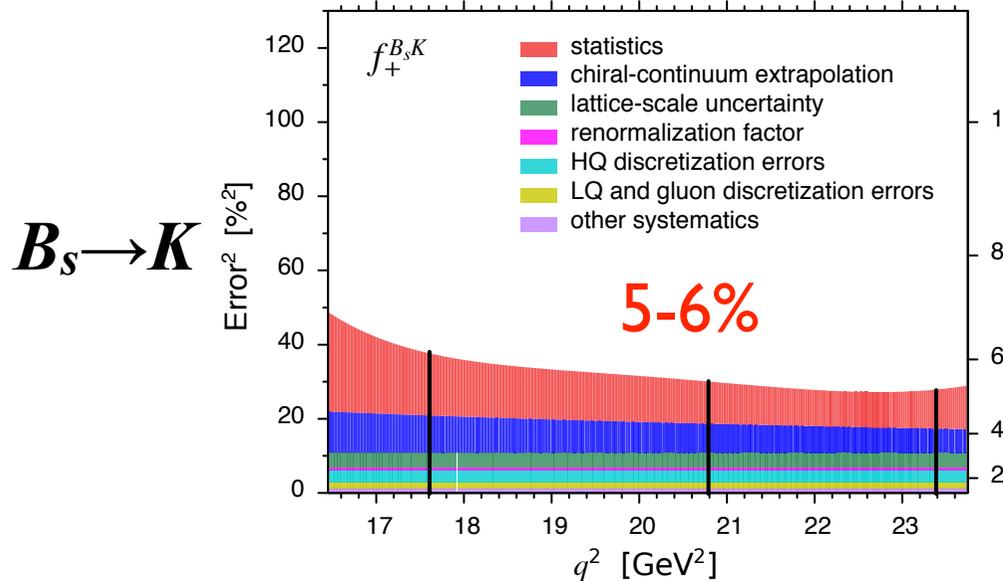
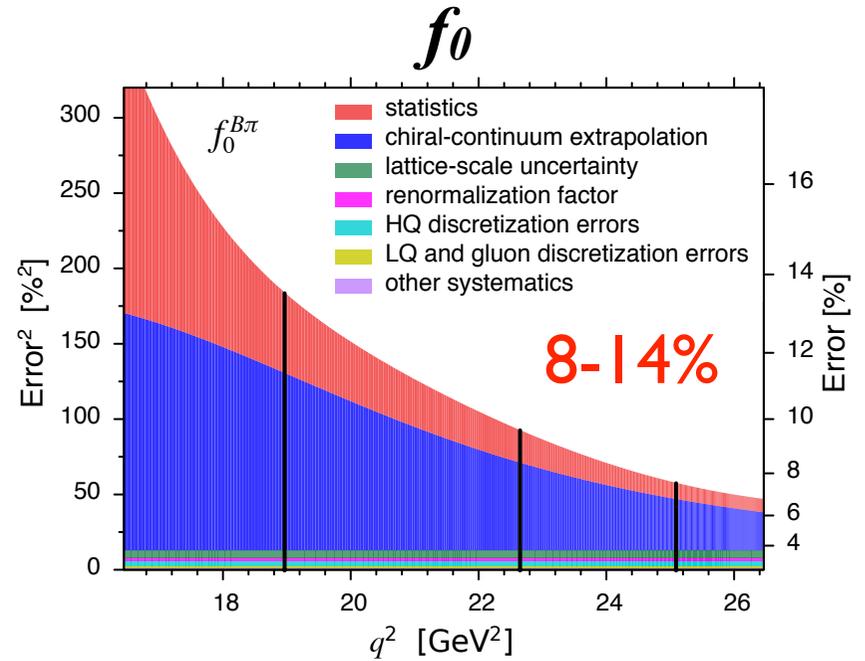
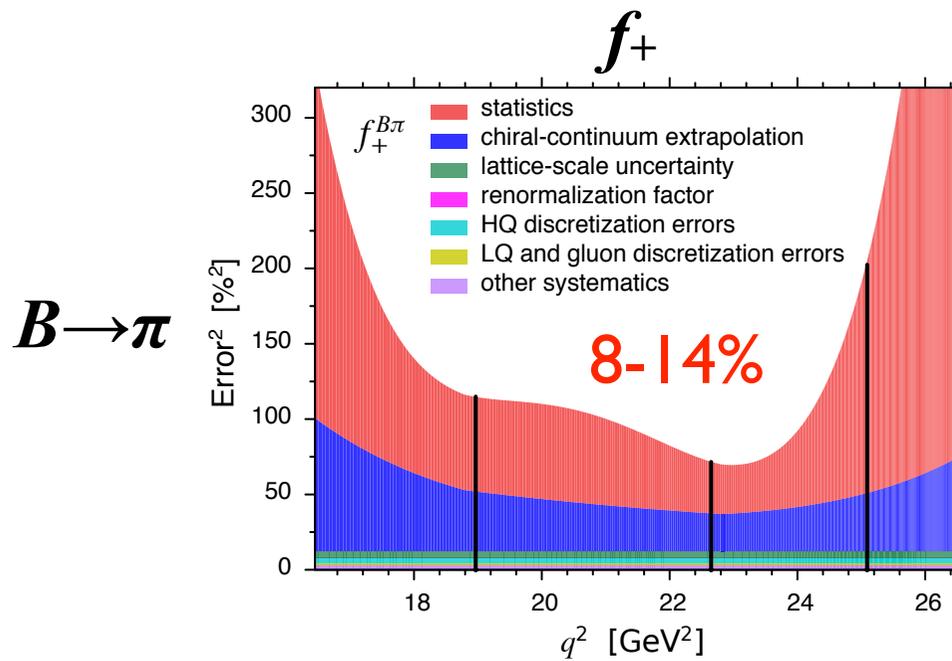
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$B_s \rightarrow K$

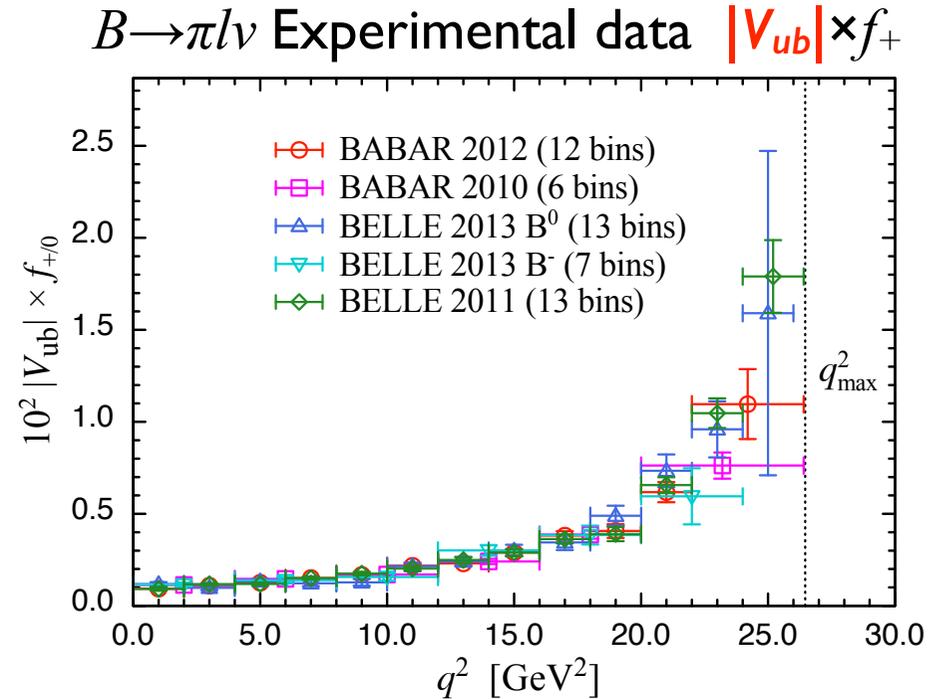
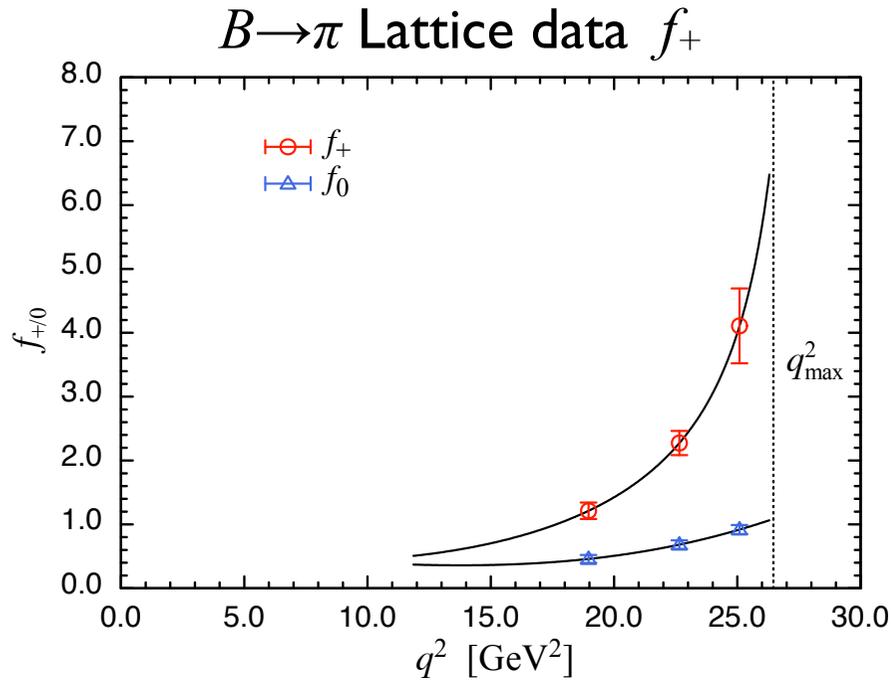


Error budgets



- Dominant uncertainties from **statistics** and **chiral extrapolation**.

Determination of $|V_{ub}|$



- Lattice and experimental data overlap at high q^2 (low E_{π}^2),

$$\text{Lattice: } \Delta\mathcal{B}/|V_{ub}|^2 = \frac{\tau_{B_0} G_F^2}{24\pi^2} \int_{(16\text{GeV})^2}^{q_{\text{max}}^2} dq^2 p_{\pi}^3 |f_+(q^2)|^2 = 2.69(52)$$

$$\text{Experiment: } \Delta\mathcal{B} = 3.68(19) \times 10^{-5} \quad \rightarrow \quad |V_{ub}| = 3.69(37) \times 10^{-3}$$

- But experimental data is more precise at low q^2 .
 \rightarrow We use **z-expansion fit** to extrapolate lattice data to zero q^2 .

z -expansion of f_+ and f_0

Boyd, Grinstein, Lebed, Phys.Rev.Lett. 74 (1995) 4603

We employ **the model-independent z -expansion fit** to extrapolate lattice results to full kinematic range.

- Consider mapping the variable q^2 onto a new variable z .

semileptonic region

$$0 < q^2 < t_- \rightarrow |z| < 0.28 \quad (\text{when we choose } t_0 = t_{\text{opt}})$$

$$z = \frac{\sqrt{t_+ - q^2} - \sqrt{t_+ - t_0}}{\sqrt{t_+ - q^2} + \sqrt{t_+ - t_0}}$$

$$t_{\pm} = (m_B \pm m_{\pi})^2$$

- The form factor $f(q^2)$ is analytic in the semileptonic region except at B^* pole.
 $\rightarrow f(q^2)$ can be expressed as convergent power series.

$$f(q^2) = \frac{1}{P(q^2)\phi(q^2, t_0)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a^{(k)}(t_0) z(q^2, t_0)^k$$

contains subthreshold poles

Arbitrary analytic function which affects the numerical values of the series coefficients

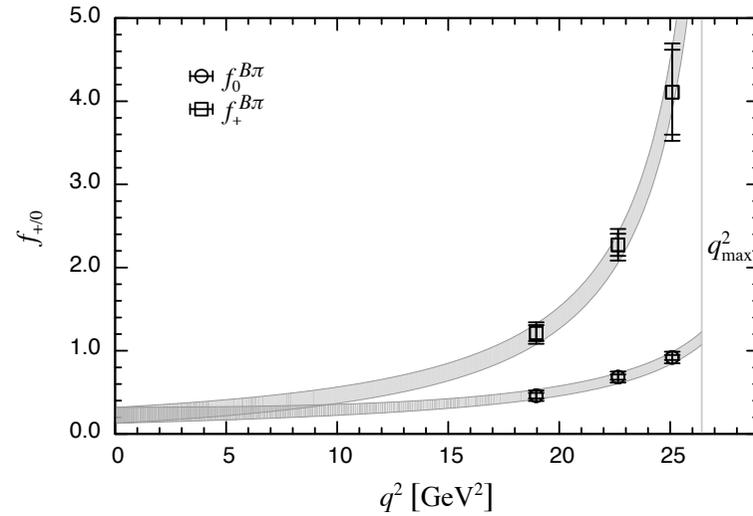
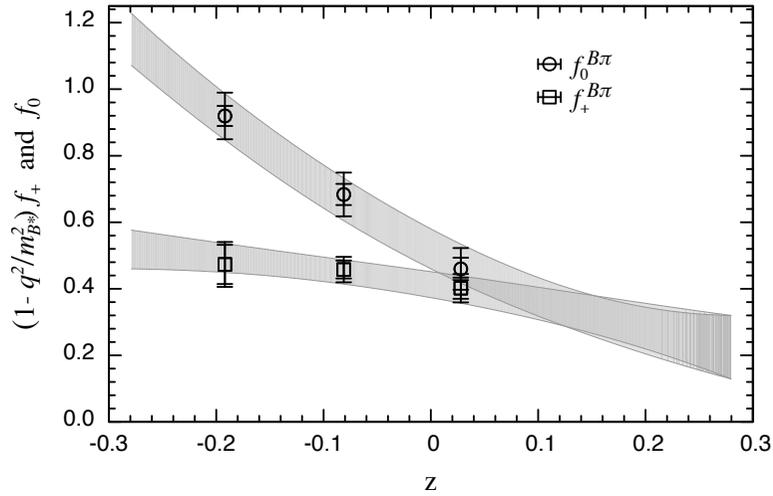
- The sum of the series coefficients is bounded by unitarity.

$$\sum_{k=0}^N a^{(k)^2} \leq 1$$

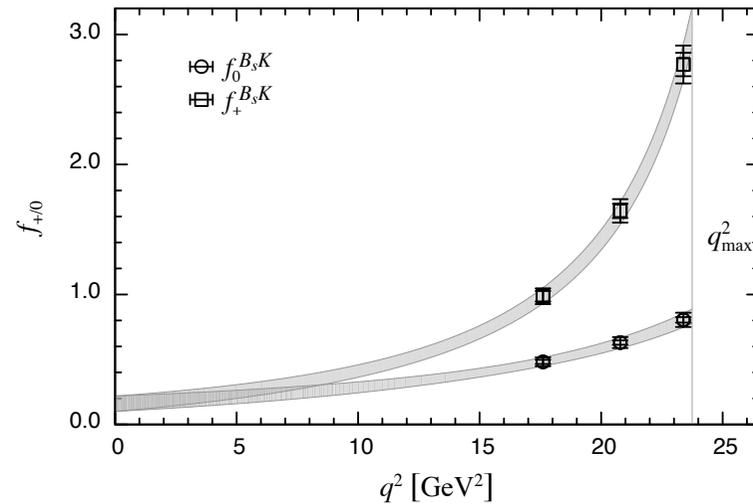
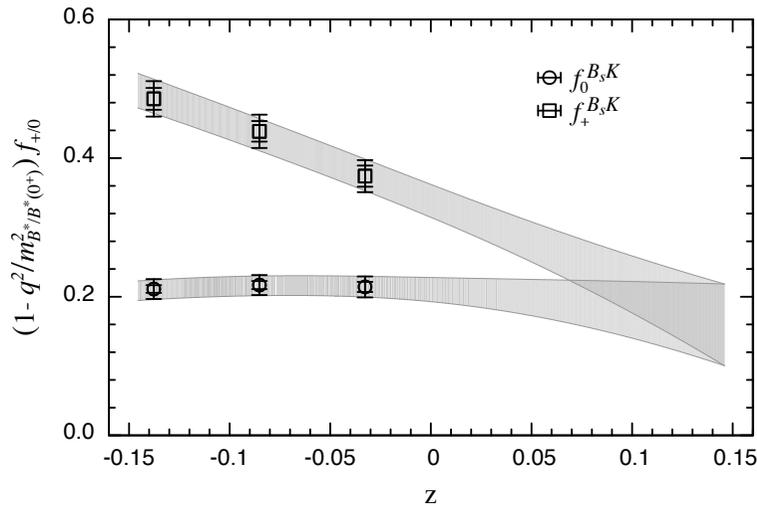
- Therefore this bound combined with the small $|z|$ ensures that only a small number of terms is needed to accurately describe the shape of the form factor.

z-expansion of f_+ and f_0

$B \rightarrow \pi$



$B_s \rightarrow K$

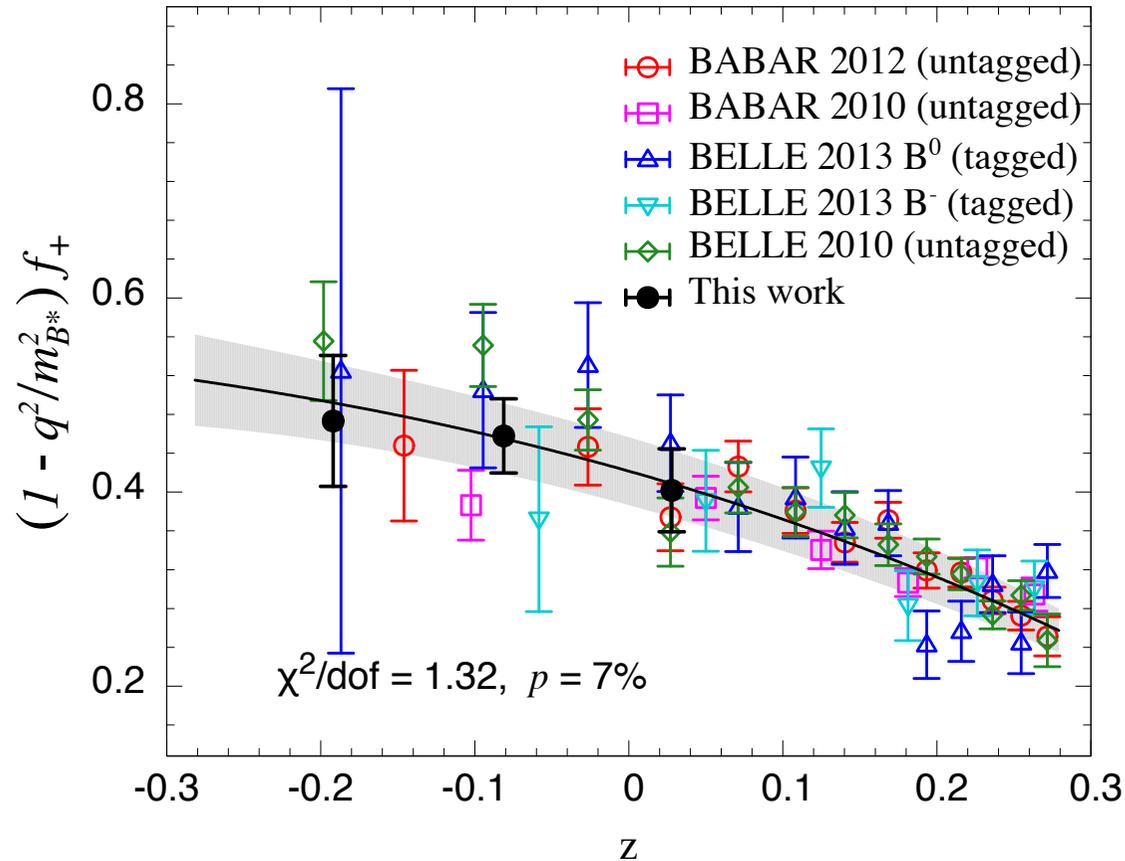


- Kinematic constraint: $f_+(0) = f_0(0)$

- heavy-quark power-counting: $\sum_{k=0}^N \left(a_+^{(k)}\right)^2 \sim \left(\frac{\Lambda}{m_b}\right)^3$

Determination of $|V_{ub}|$

Now add experimental data to z -fit to obtain $|V_{ub}|$.



- q^2 dependence of lattice form factor agrees well with experiment.
- Error on normalization (and hence $|V_{ub}|$) saturates with 3-parameter z -fit.

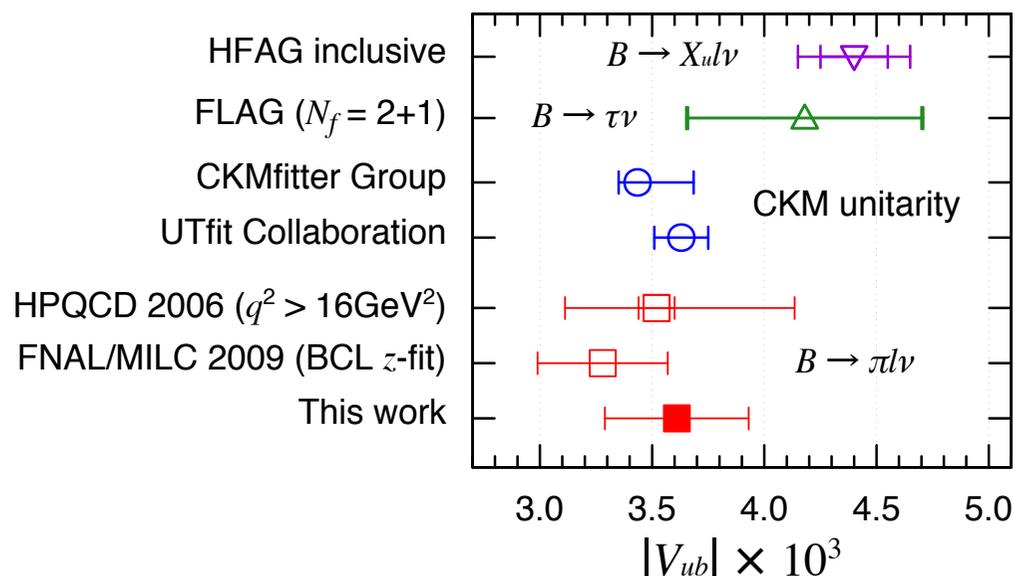
$$|V_{ub}| = 3.61(32) \times 10^{-3}$$

Conclusions and future prospects

- We have calculated the $B \rightarrow \pi$ and $B_s \rightarrow K$ form factors using 2+1 flavor dynamical domain-wall fermion gauge field configurations with relativistic heavy quark action.
- Provide important independent check on existing calculations using staggered light quarks.
- presented results for $B \rightarrow \pi$ and $B_s \rightarrow K$ lattice form factors using z-expansion fit.
- $|V_{ub}|$ is determined by combined z-fit with experimental data from Babar and Belle to about 9% precision.

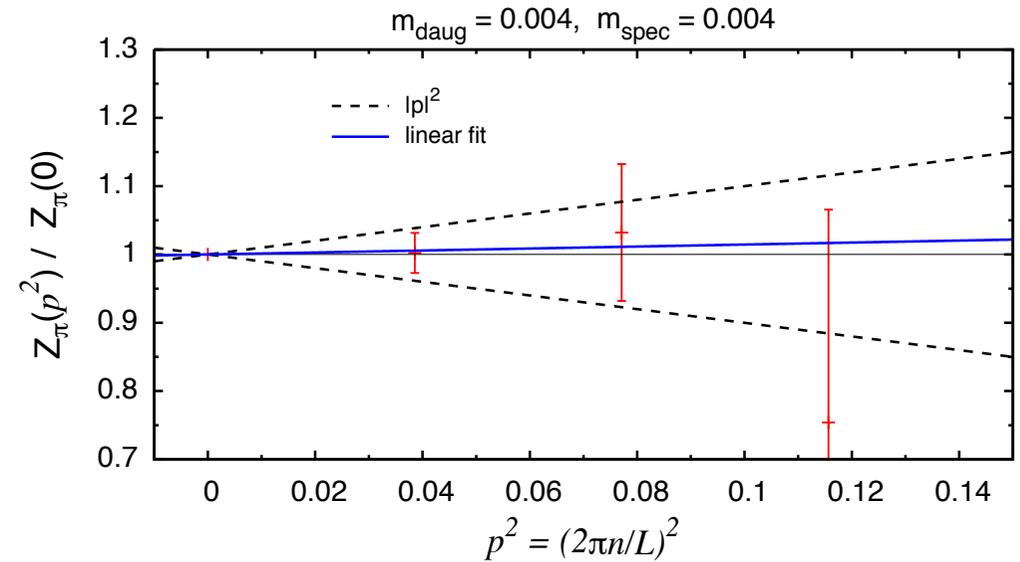
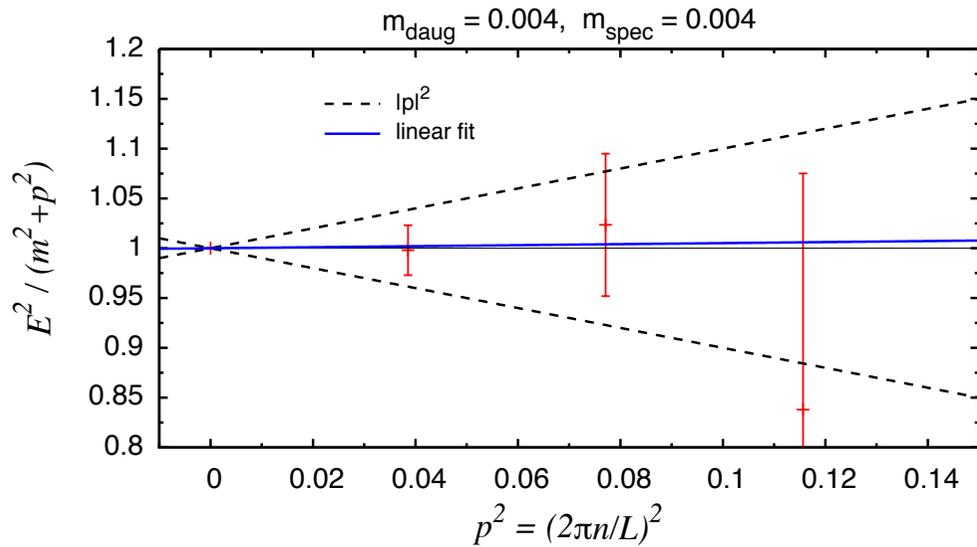
Future prospect

- RBC/UKQCD Möbius domain-wall + Iwasaki ensemble ($M_\pi \sim 140\text{MeV}$).
- All-mode averaging method



Backup slides

Dispersion relation and amplitude Z_π



- The pion energies satisfy the continuum dispersion relation: $E_\pi^2 = |\vec{p}_\pi|^2 + m_\pi^2$
- The pion amplitude $Z_\pi = |\langle 0 | \mathcal{O}_\pi | \pi \rangle|$ is independent of momentum

$O(a)$ improved vector current operator

The heavy-light current operator at tree level is

$$V_{\mu,0}(x) = \bar{q}(x) \mathcal{O}_{\mu,0} Q(x), \quad \mathcal{O}_{\mu,0} = \gamma_\mu$$

Four single derivative operators are needed for $O(a)$ improvement.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}_{1,\mu} &= 2\vec{D}_\mu \\ \mathcal{O}_{2,\mu} &= 2\overleftarrow{D}_\mu \\ \mathcal{O}_{3,\mu} &= 2\gamma_\mu \gamma_i \vec{D}_i \\ \mathcal{O}_{4,\mu} &= 2\gamma_\mu \gamma_i \overleftarrow{D}_i \end{aligned}$$

The $O(a)$ improved vector current operator is given by

$$\text{temporal } (\mu = 0): \quad \mathcal{O}_0^{\text{imp}} = \mathcal{O}_{0,0} + c_3^{V_0} \mathcal{O}_{0,3} + c_4^{V_0} \mathcal{O}_{0,4}$$

$$\text{spatial } (\mu = i): \quad \mathcal{O}_i^{\text{imp}} = \mathcal{O}_{i,0} + c_1^{V_i} \mathcal{O}_{i,1} + c_2^{V_i} \mathcal{O}_{i,2} + c_3^{V_i} \mathcal{O}_{i,3} + c_4^{V_i} \mathcal{O}_{i,4}$$

Coefficients are determined by 1-loop lattice perturbation theory.

Relativistic heavy quark action for b-quarks

Heavy quark mass introduces discretization errors of $O((ma)^n)$.

- At bottom quark mass, it becomes severe: $m_b \sim 4$ GeV and $1/a \sim 2$ GeV, then $m_b a > O(1)$.

Relativistic heavy quark action (RHQ action)

$$S^{\text{RHQ}} = \sum_{n,n'} \bar{\psi}_n \left\{ \mathbf{m}_0 + \gamma_0 D_0 - \frac{aD_0^2}{2} + \zeta \left[\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{D} - \frac{a\vec{D}^2}{2} \right] - a \sum_{\mu\nu} \frac{i\mathbf{c}_P}{4} \sigma_{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \right\}_{n,n'} \psi'_n$$

- The Fermilab group showed that you can remove all errors of $O((ma)^n)$ by appropriately tuning the parameters of the anisotropic clover action

A. X. El-Khadra, A. S. Kronfeld and P. B. Mackenzie, Phys. Rev. D55, 3933 (1997)

- Errors are of $O(a^2 p^2)$.

- Li, Lin, and Christ showed that the parameters $\{m_0, \zeta, c_P\}$ can be tuned nonperturbatively.

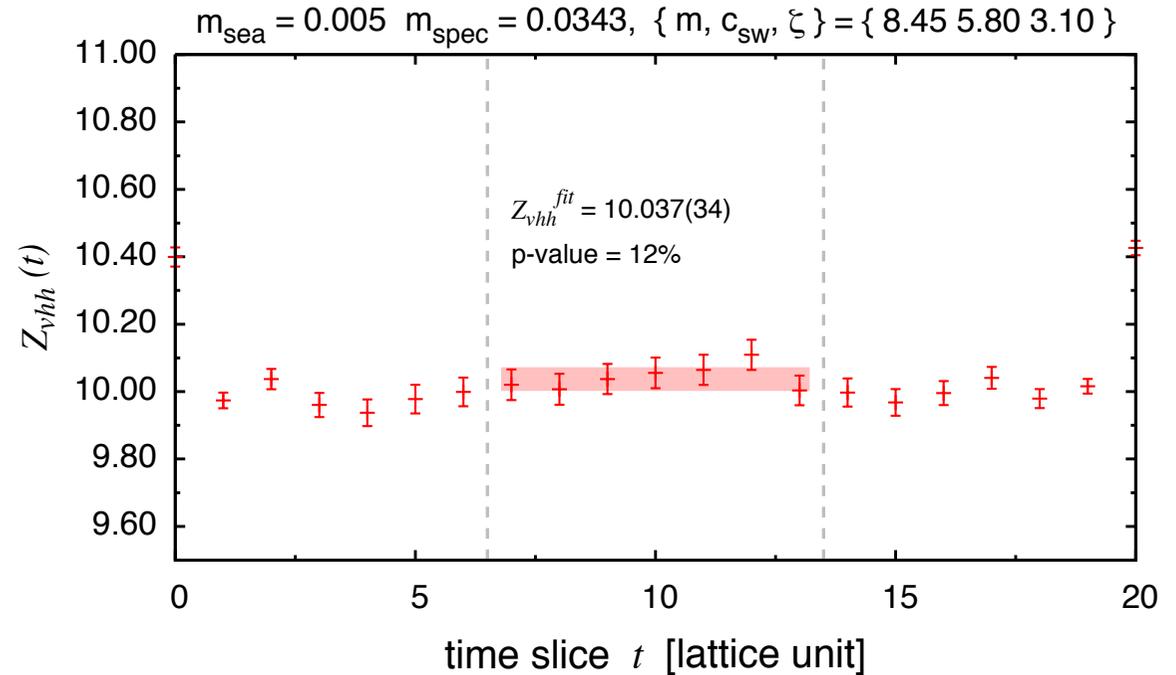
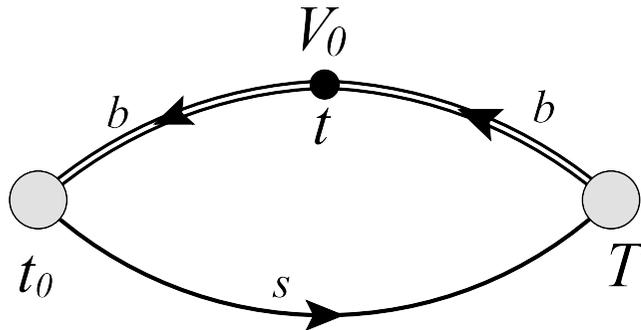
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Renormalization factor Z_V^{bb}

Norman H.Christ et al., arXiv:1404.4670



$$Z_V^{bb} \times \langle m_0^B | V_0^{bb} | m_0^B \rangle = 2m_B$$

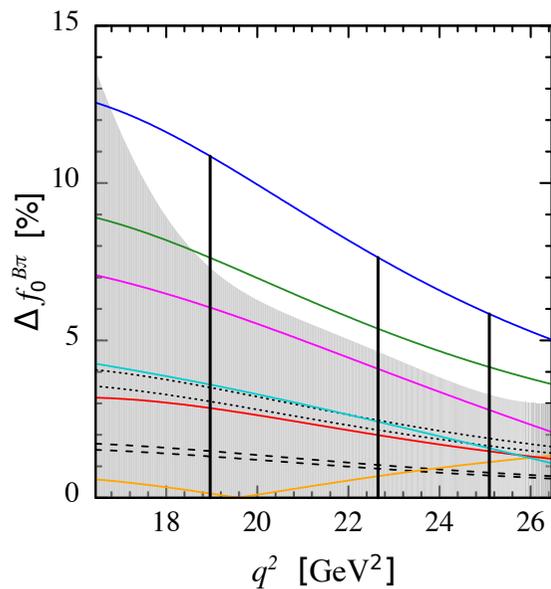
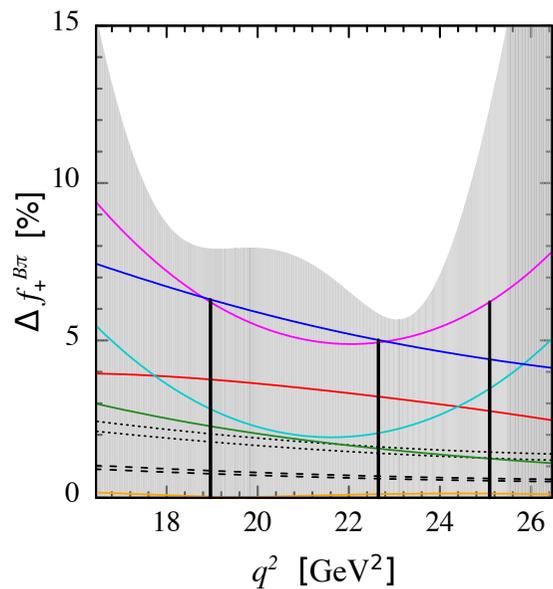
$$\frac{C_2^B(T)}{C_{3,\mu}^{B \rightarrow B}(t, T)} \xrightarrow{t, T \rightarrow \infty} Z_V^{bb}$$

At tree level, the expression of Z_V^{bb} is given by

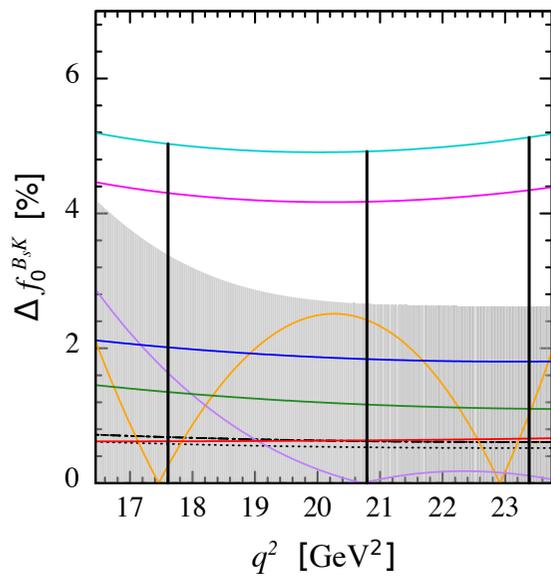
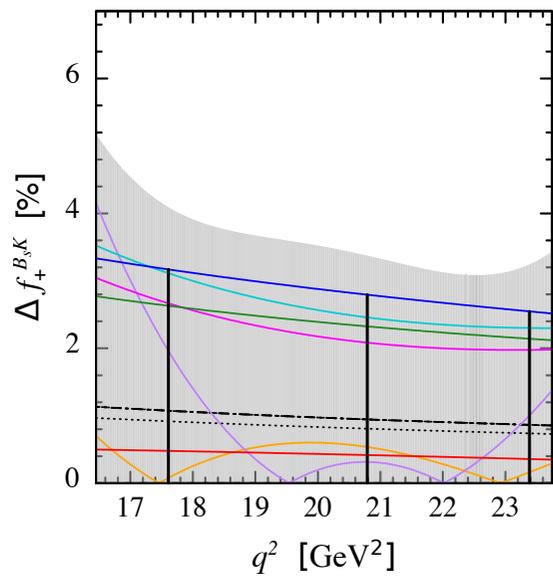
$$Z_V^{bb} = u_0 \exp(M_1), \quad M_1 = \log[1 + \tilde{m}_0], \quad \tilde{m}_0 = \frac{m_0}{u_0} - (1 + 3\zeta)\left(1 - \frac{1}{u_0}\right)$$

Here $m_0 = 7.80$, $\zeta = 3.20$, $u_0 = 0.8757$.

NP	: $Z_V^{bb} = 10.037(34)$
tree level	: $Z_V^{bb} = 9.993$



- varying g
- varying f_π
- omitting zero momentum
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