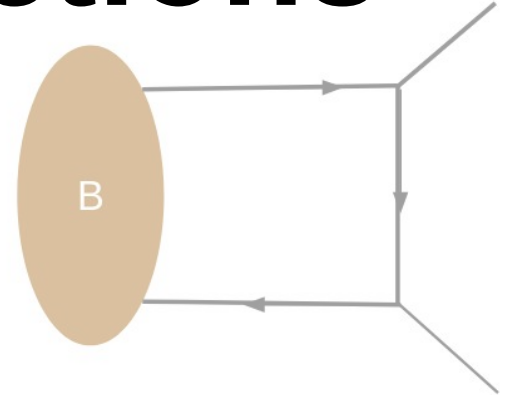




New LCSR $B \rightarrow K$ Form Factor predictions

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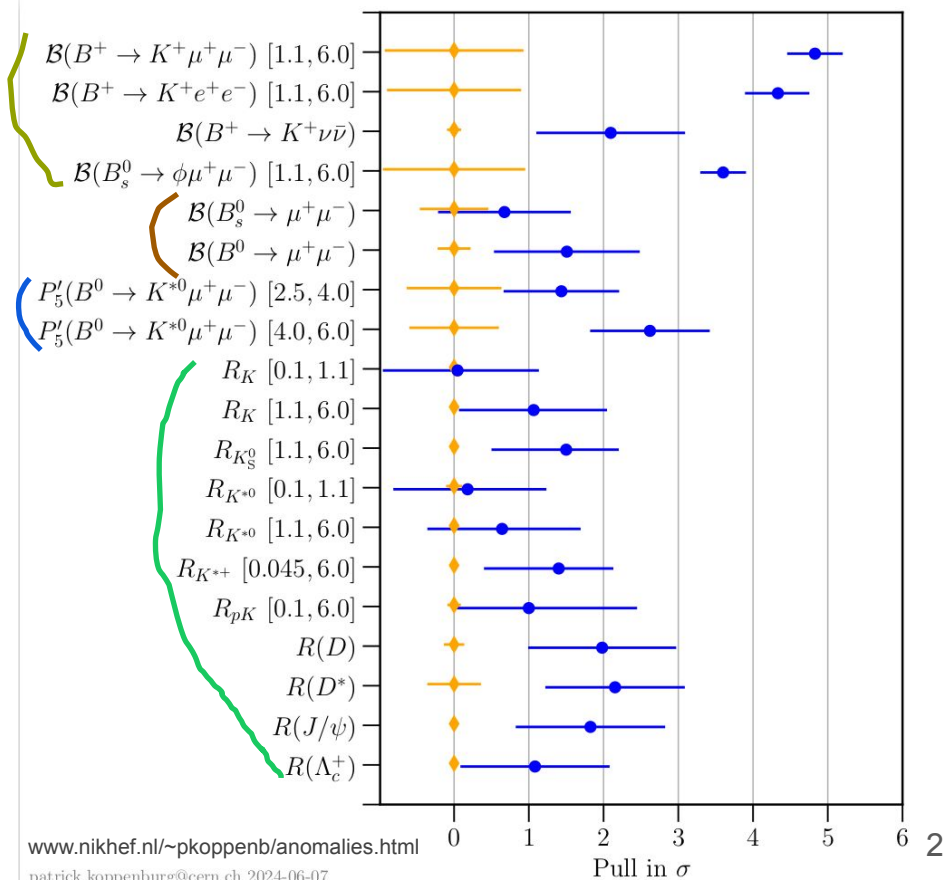
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- orange** : SM predictions
- blue** : experimental results



- Semileptonic branching fractions
- Leptonic branching fractions
- Angular observables
- R-Ratios



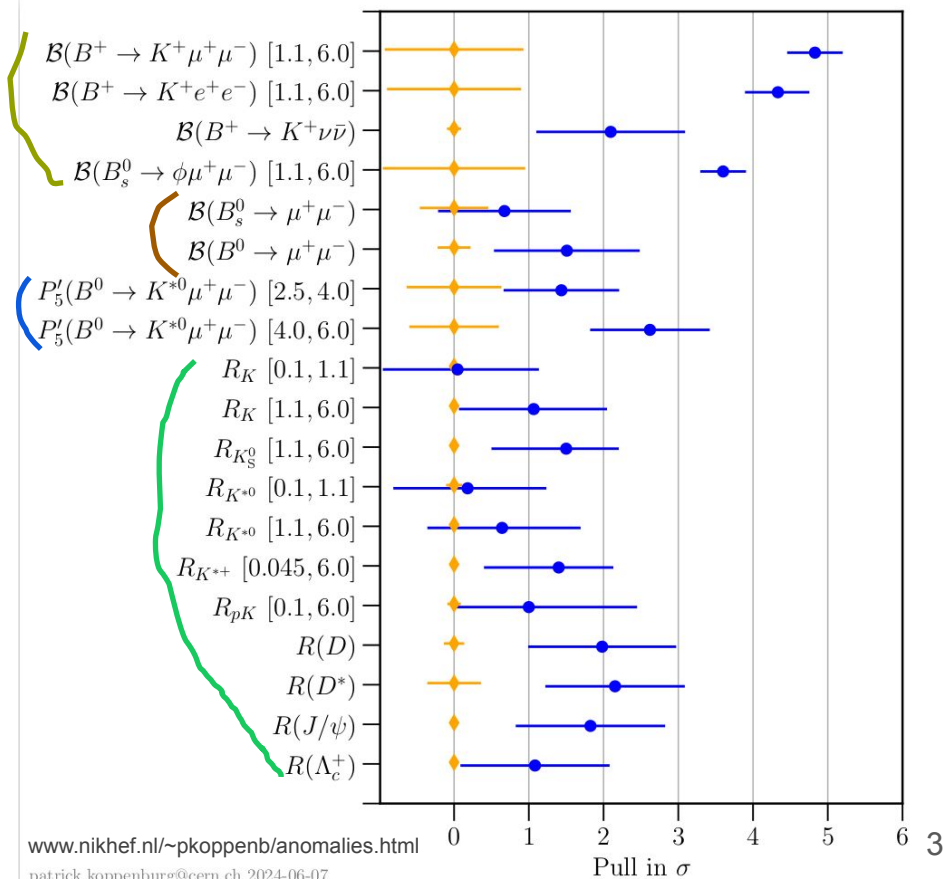
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Deviation in angular observables and Branching fractions at **low q^2** still standing

+ Confirmation by CMS of LHCb's results and the strong tension in $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow K\mu\mu)$ and $P'_5(B^0 \rightarrow K^{*0}\mu\mu)$



Amplitude of $B \rightarrow K^{(*)}ll$ decays:

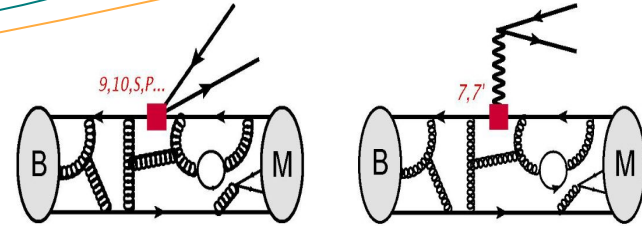
$$\mathcal{A}(B \rightarrow K^{(*)}l^+l^-) = \mathcal{N} \left\{ (C_9 L_V^\mu + C_{10} L_A^\mu) \mathcal{F}_\mu(q^2) - \frac{L_V^\mu}{q^2} [C_7 \mathcal{F}_\mu^T(q^2) + \mathcal{H}_\mu(q^2)] \right\}$$

Main sources of uncertainty

► **Local**

$$\mathcal{F}_\mu(q^2) = \underbrace{\langle K^{(*)}(k) | O_{7,9,10}^{had} | \bar{B}(k+q) \rangle}_{\text{Parametrized with local Form Factors}}$$

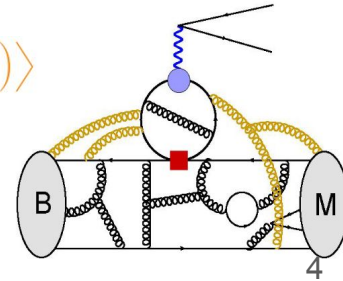
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Diagrams by Javier Virto

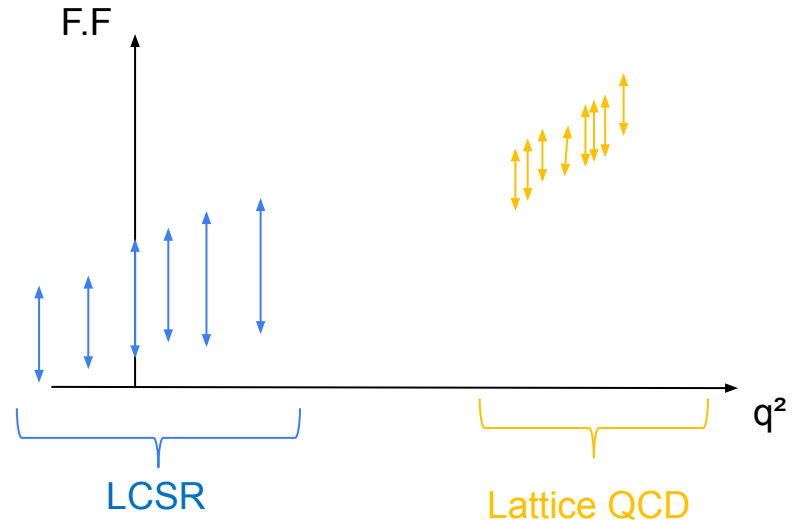
► **Non-Local**

$$\mathcal{H}_\mu(q^2) = i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle K^{(*)}(k) | T \{ j_\mu^{em}(x), C_i O_i(0) \} | \bar{B}(k+q) \rangle$$



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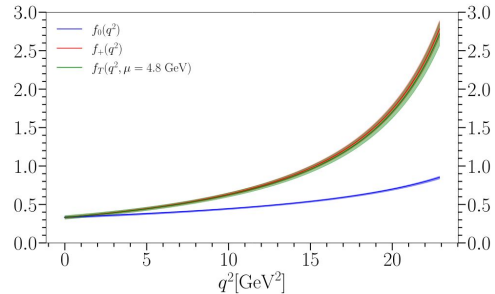
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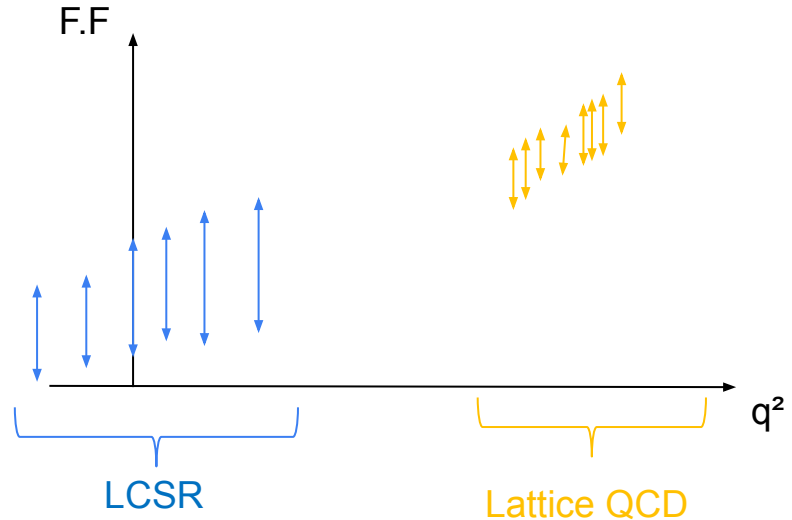
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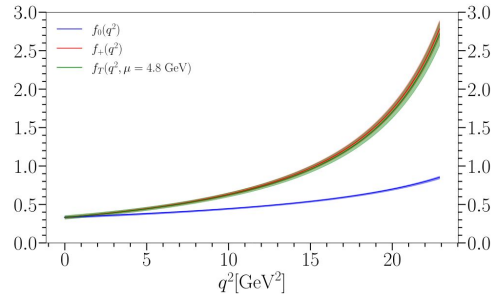
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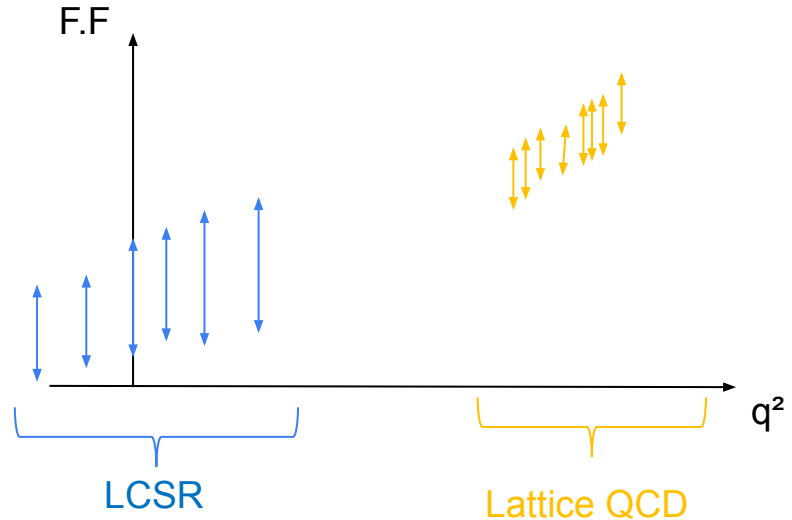
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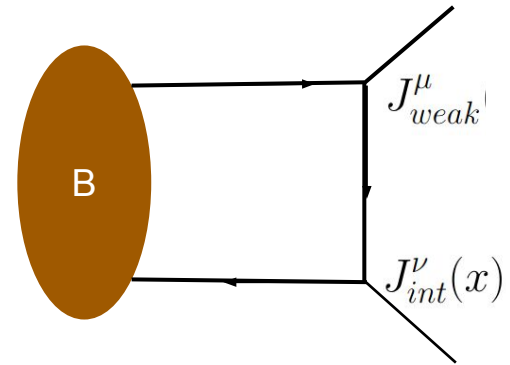
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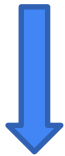
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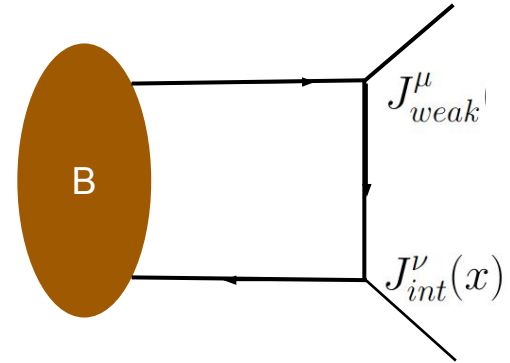
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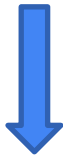
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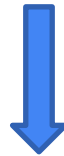
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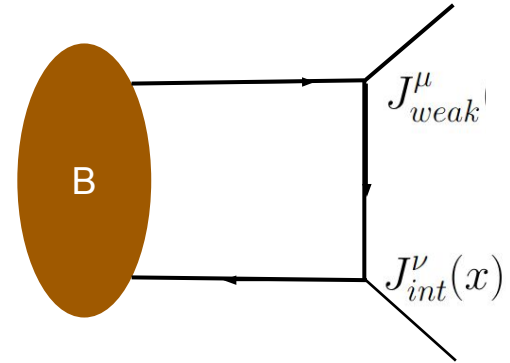
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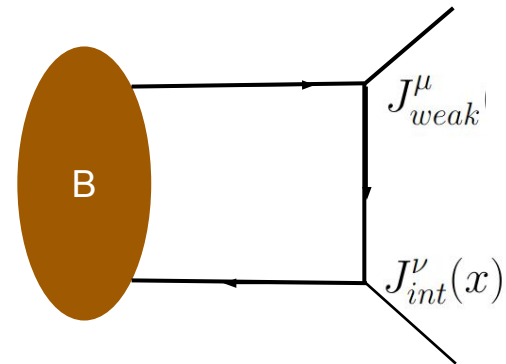
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Dispersion relation

+

Insert full set of hadronic states
between quark currents

We work in HQET

Expansion of B-meson Fock state

LO in QCD

Light-Cone Operator Product
Expansion (LCOPE) with
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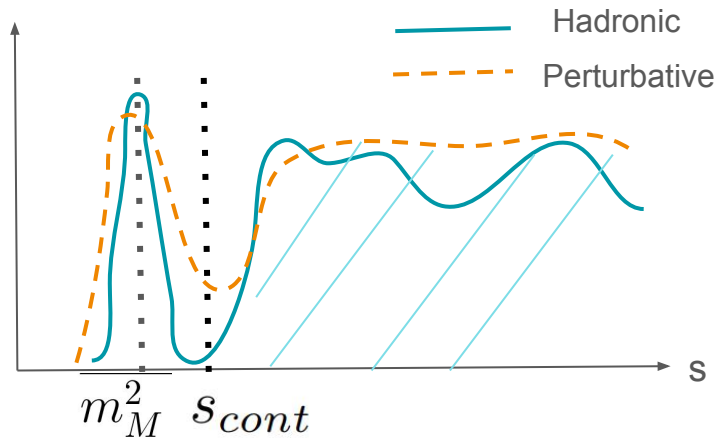
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What we have

$$Y_F \frac{[F(q^2)]}{m_M^2 - k^2} + \int_{s_{cont}}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_F(q^2, s)}{s - k^2} = \Pi_F^{\text{pert}}(q^2, k^2)$$

What can be done:

- ▶ Usual strategy : Estimation of the unknown contribution with *semi-global quark-hadron duality*



Issue

unknown associated systematic error

- ▶ **New strategy** : improve suppression of the unknown contribution

Suppression of the continuum:

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$$\underbrace{F(q^2)}_{\text{What we want}} = \underbrace{\frac{(m_M^2 - k^2)^{p+1}}{p! Y_F} \Pi_F^{(p)}(q^2, k^2)}_{\text{What we have}} - \underbrace{\int_{s_{cont}}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_F(s)}{Y_F} \left(\frac{m_M^2 - k^2}{s - k^2} \right)^{p+1}}_{\text{What is this?}}$$

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$$R_F = \int_{s_{cont}}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_F(s)}{Y_F} \left(\frac{m_M^2 - k^2}{s - k^2}\right)^{p+1} \xrightarrow{p \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

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we compute Π_F^{pert}
Error grows with p

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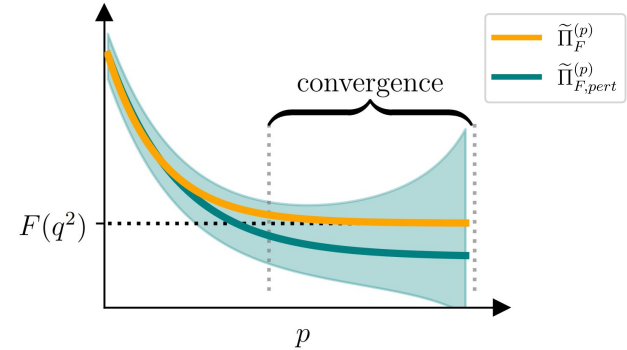
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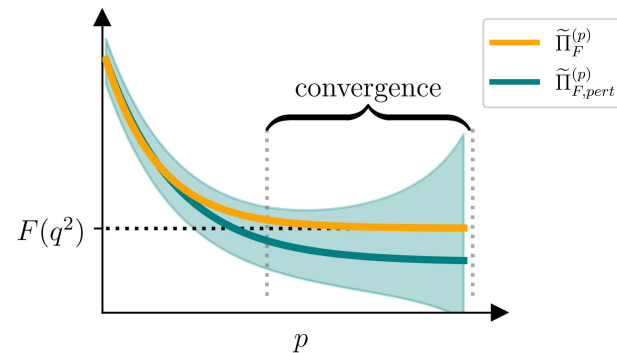


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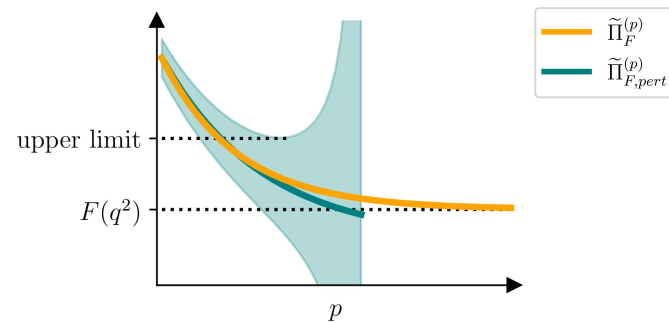
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▶ Upper limit :

- Error explodes before convergence
- R_F estimated positive

➔ **Upper bound on F.F**



Results:

form factor	$-k^2/p$	$R_F(p, k^2)$	upper limit @ 95% C.L.	$\tilde{\Pi}_F^{(p)} (1\sigma)$	literature	Ref.
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$f_+^{B \rightarrow K}$ example

- ▶ Upper limit : not too constraining at this stage
- ▶ R_F negligible, but no clear convergence yet for the other criteria
Compatible with the literature

- ▶ Results obtained for $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (f_{+,T})^{B \rightarrow P} \text{ for } P = \pi, K \\ (V, A_1, A_2, T_1, T_{23})^{B \rightarrow V} \text{ for } V = \rho, K^* \end{array} \right.$

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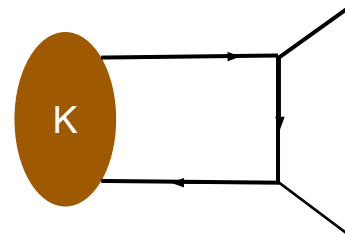
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→ CAN ALSO USE a vacuum to light-meson (K, K^*, \dots) correlation function !

Very similar computation but the expansions are more under control

→ Expect better results



Procedure for Light-Cone Sum Rules:

We find a window in $1/M^2$ ($\sim p$) where:

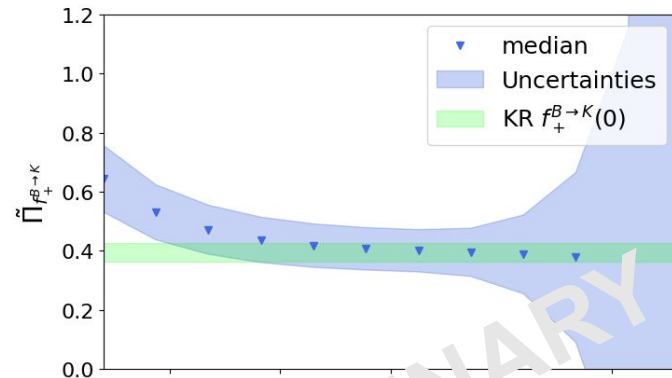
- Plateau in $\tilde{f}_+^{B \rightarrow K}$ before the uncertainties diverge

Value in agreement with the LCSR result of KR (Khodjamirian and Rusov): 1703.04765

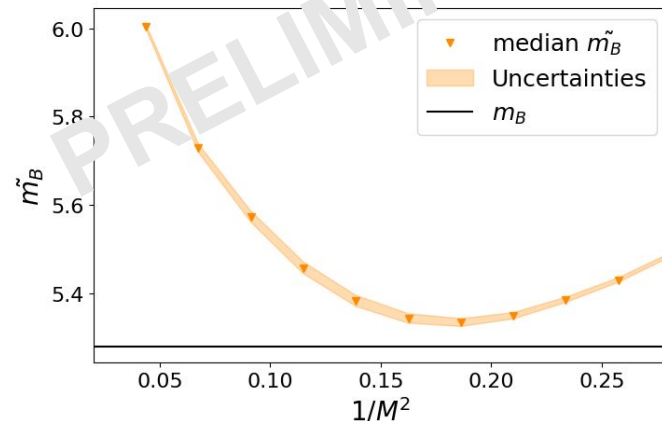
- Agreement from the mass sum rule at the percentage level

 Convergence of this strategy

Evaluated systematic error due to semi-global QHD is small!



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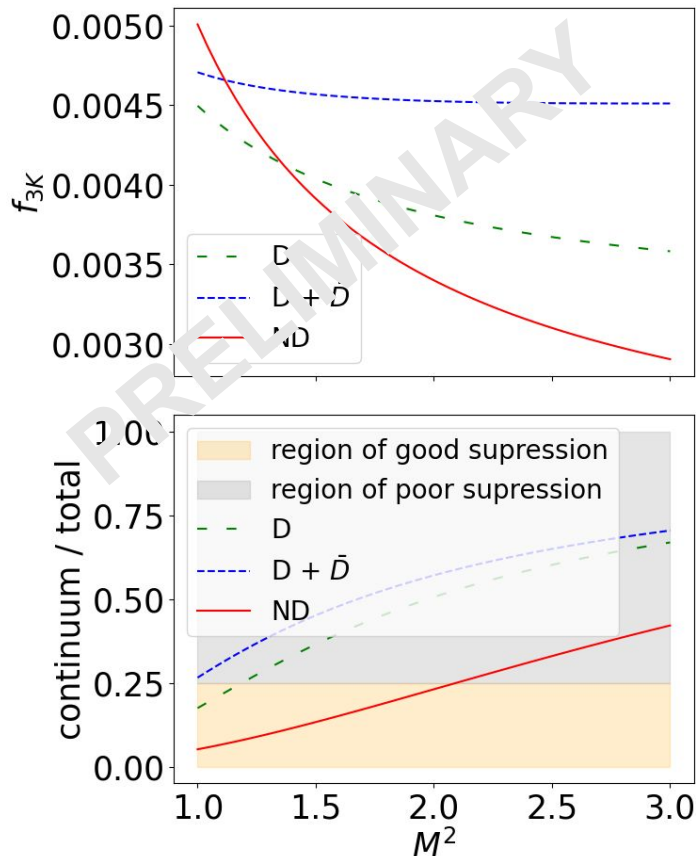


Status:

At this stage:

- ▶ **Evaluated systematic error due to semi-global QHD is small**
- ▶ **Tension with SM unchanged**
- ▶ **Tension in the $B \rightarrow K$ Form Factor predictions with the HPQCD result**

LCDA parameters:



Prediction of higher twist LCDA parameters: with QCD sum rules

Some **issues**:

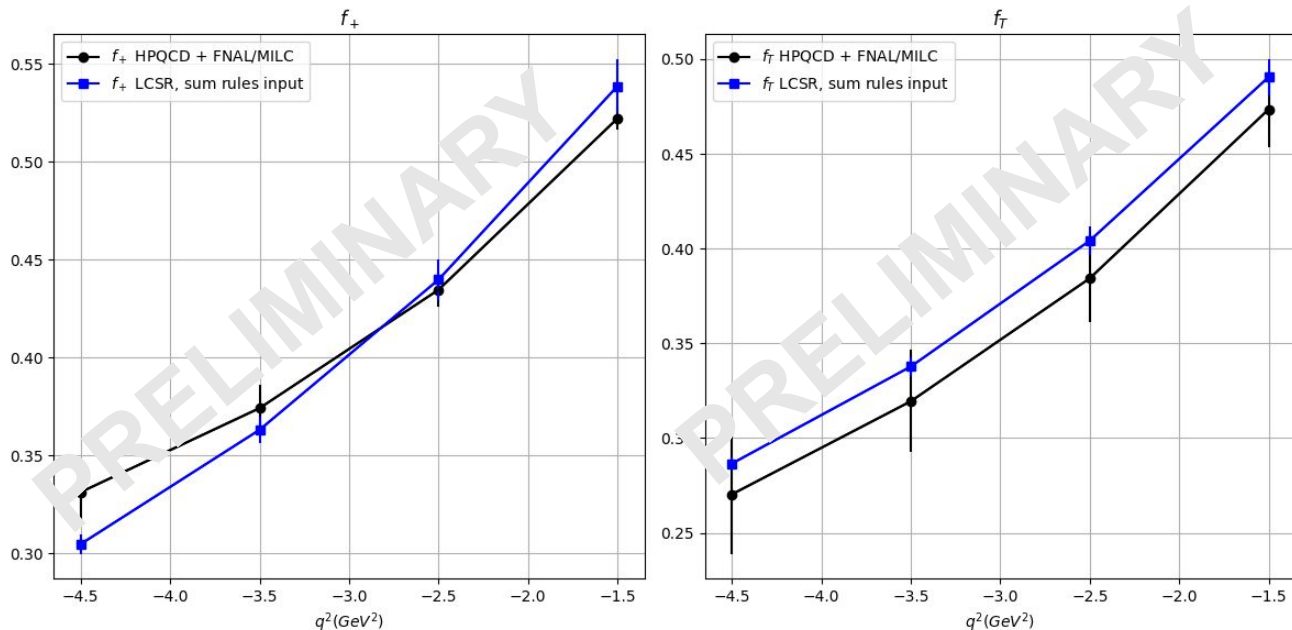
- Duality violation error
- Instability of some of the sum rules



Impact on the prediction?

D→K: Lattice and LCSR

D→K: many lattice results



Difference in the
shape of $f_+^{D \rightarrow K}$

Can this be
explained with the
DA parameters?

→ Fit LCSR to
lattice

Conclusion

- New strategy for LCSR to circumvent the reliance on quark-hadron duality in the determination of form factors
- Trade the unknown systematic error coming from QHD for an increased yet quantifiable and improvable error coming from the truncation of the perturbative QCD expansion and LCOPE
- Promising technique to improve our understanding of B decays
- Currently underway with Light-meson LCSR + re-evaluation of the K-meson LCDA parameters

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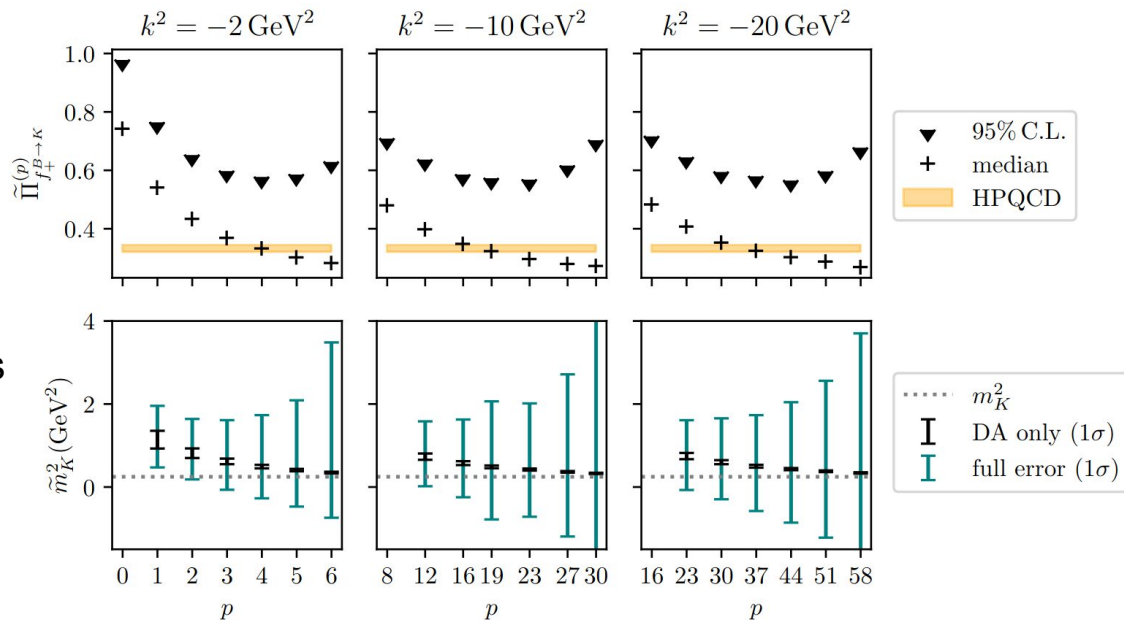
Evolution, example of $f_+^{B \rightarrow K}$:

- ▶ Paramount factor : $-k^2/p$ (Borel parameter)

▼ : 95% of points statistically below this bound

- ▶ \tilde{m}_K^2 : error (dominated by QCD) grows too fast
→ Can't characterize convergence

\tilde{m}_K^2 gets remarkably close to m_K^2 with small parametric uncertainties.
Partially a numerical coincidence



Results for pseudoscalars:

form factor	$-k^2/p$	$R_F(p, k^2)$	upper limit @ 95% C.L.	$\tilde{\Pi}_F^{(p)}$ (1σ)	literature	Ref.
$f_+^{B \rightarrow \pi}$	2/6	$0.07^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	0.38	$0.17^{+0.13}_{-0.10}$	0.21(7) 0.191(73) 0.301(23) 0.297(30)	[42] [†] [39] [37] [57]
$f_T^{B \rightarrow \pi}$	2/5	$0.07^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	0.32	$0.17^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$	0.19(7) 0.222(78) 0.273(21) 0.293(28)	[42] [†] [39] [37] [57]
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Results for $B \rightarrow \rho$:

form factor	$-k^2/p$	$R_F(p)$	upper limit @ 95% C.L.	$\tilde{\Pi}_F^{(p)}$ (1σ)	literature	Ref.
$V^{B \rightarrow \rho}$	20/44	$0.06^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$	0.82	$0.34^{+0.28}_{-0.18}$	0.27(14) $0.327^{+0.204}_{-0.135}$ 0.327(31)	[42] [58] [46]
$A_1^{B \rightarrow \rho}$	20/44	$0.04^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	0.63	$0.26^{+0.21}_{-0.13}$	0.22(10) $0.249^{+0.155}_{-0.103}$ 0.262(26)	[42] [58] [46]
$A_2^{B \rightarrow \rho}$	20/37	$0.08^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	0.70	$0.26^{+0.25}_{-0.14}$	0.19(11)	[42]
$T_1^{B \rightarrow \rho}$	20/37	$0.09^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$	0.72	$0.33^{+0.22}_{-0.16}$	0.24(12) 0.272(26)	[42] [46]
$T_{23}^{B \rightarrow \rho}$	2/3**	-	0.93	$0.68^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$	0.56(15) 0.747(76)	[42] [46]

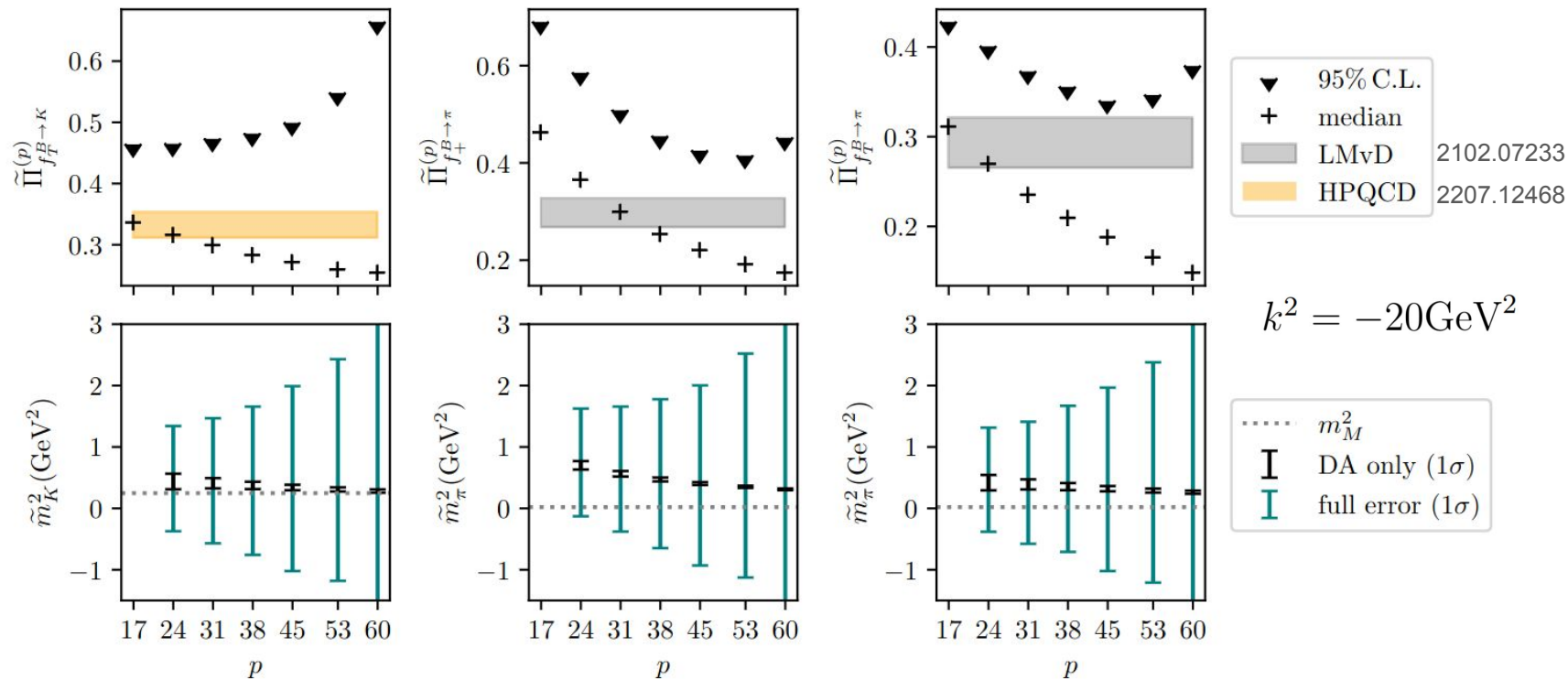
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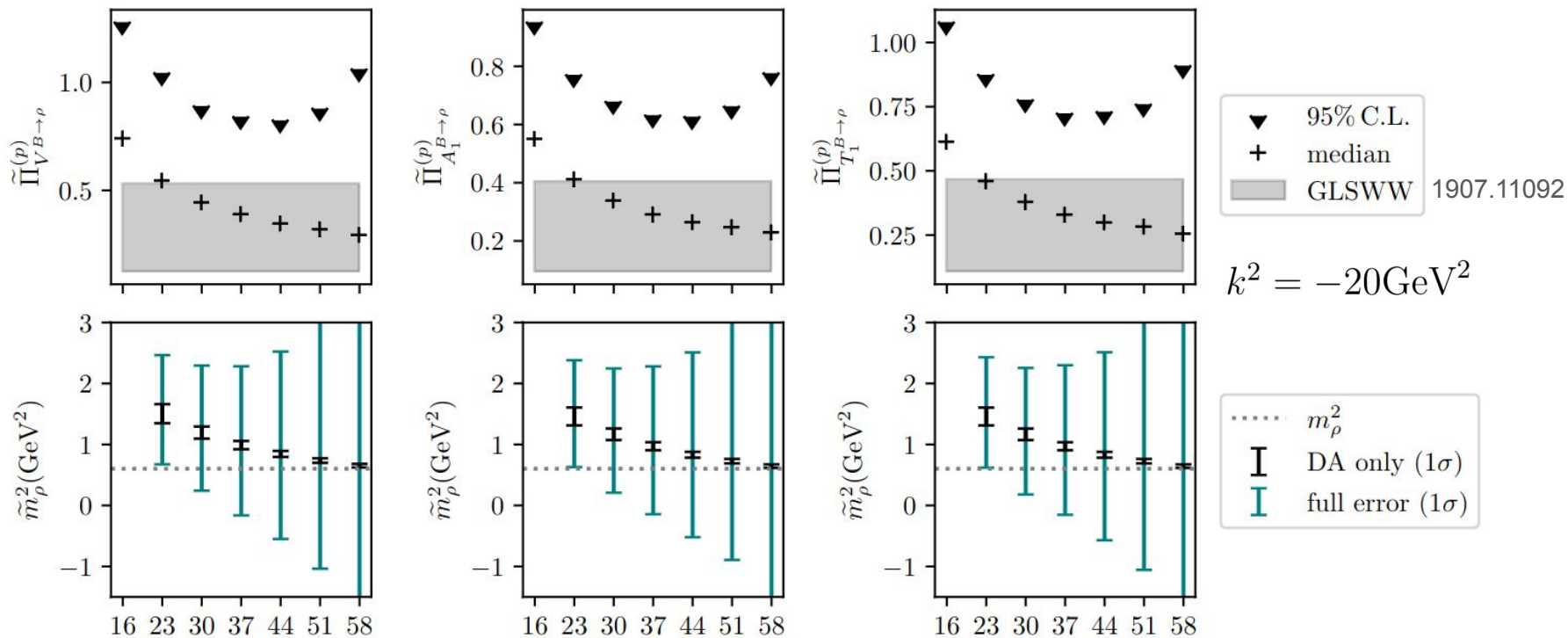
form factor	$-k^2/p$	$R_F(p)$	upper limit @ 95% C.L.	$\tilde{\Pi}_F^{(p)}$ (1σ)	literature	Ref.
$V^{B \rightarrow K^*}$	20/30	$0.08^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$	1.1	$0.58^{+0.34}_{-0.25}$	0.33(11) $0.419^{+0.245}_{-0.157}$ 0.341(36)	[42] [58] [46]
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$T_{23}^{B \rightarrow K^*}$	20/26**	-	1.2	$0.87^{+0.22}_{-0.20}$	0.81(11) $0.793^{+0.402}_{-0.258}$ 0.668(83)	[42] [58] [46]

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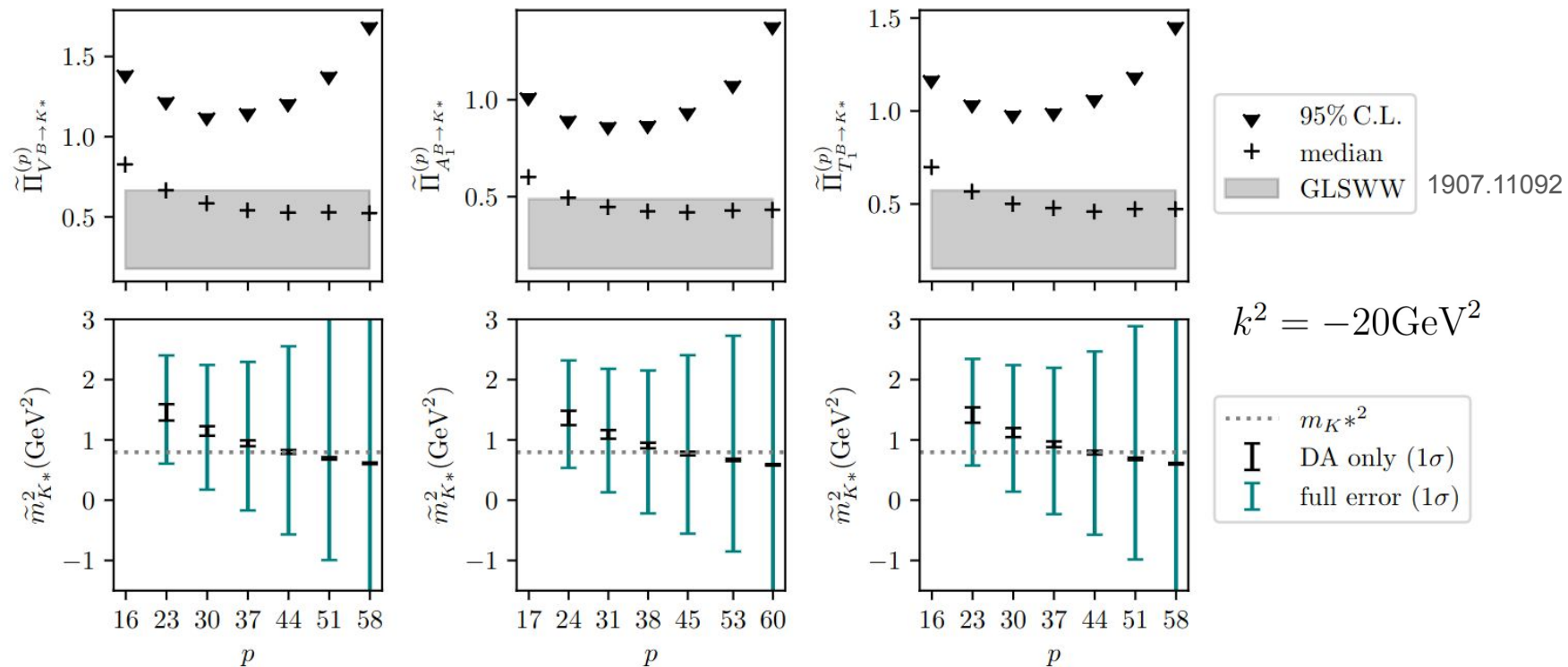
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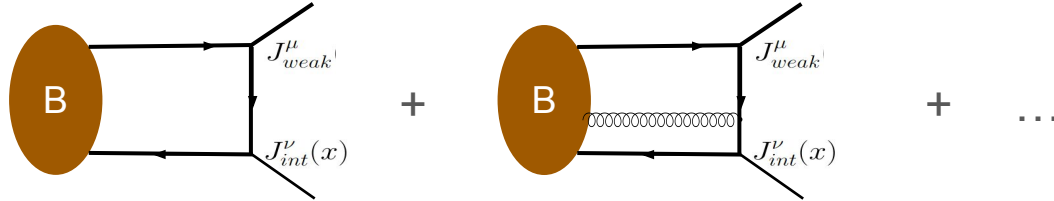


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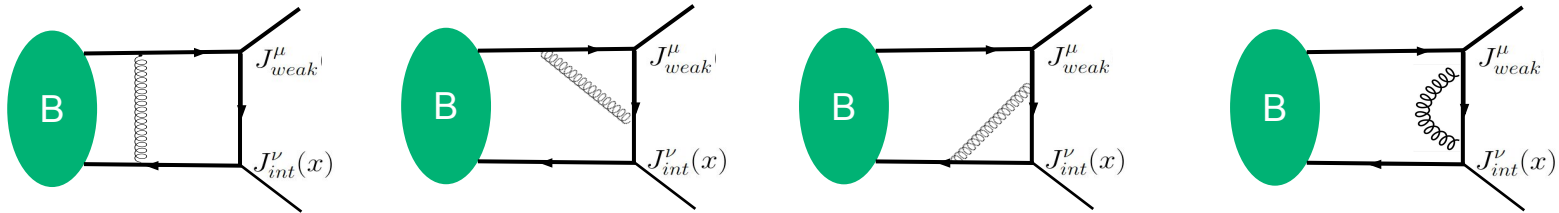
▶ Fock state expansion in n-particle contributions



▶ LCOPE

$$\Pi_F^{\text{pert}}(q^2, k^2) = \underbrace{\Pi_{F,LT}^{\text{pert}}}_{\propto (x^2)^0} + \underbrace{\Pi_{F,NLT}^{\text{pert}}}_{\propto x^2} + \underbrace{\Pi_{F,NNLT}^{\text{pert}}}_{\propto (x^2)^2} + \dots$$

▶ Radiative corrections in α_s



Estimating the density QHD:

At leading twist:

$$K^{(F)} \frac{F(q^2)}{m_M^2 - k^2} + \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{s_0^h}^{+\infty} ds \frac{\rho(s)}{s - k^2} \right] = f_B m_B \int_0^{+\infty} ds \frac{I_1(s)}{(s - k^2)}$$

Borel transformation

M^2 : Borel parameter

$$F(M^2) \equiv \mathcal{B}_{M^2} F(k^2) = \lim_{-k^2, n \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } \frac{-k^2}{n} = M^2} \frac{(-k^2)^{n+1}}{n!} \left(\frac{d}{dk^2} \right)^n F(k^2)$$

Supress higher states of unknow contribution

$$K^{(F)} F(q^2) e^{-m^2/M^2} + \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{s_0^h}^{+\infty} ds \rho(s) e^{-s/M^2} \right] = f_B m_B \int_0^{+\infty} ds I_1(s) e^{-s/M^2}$$

Semi-Global Quark Hadron duality

s_0 : duality threshold

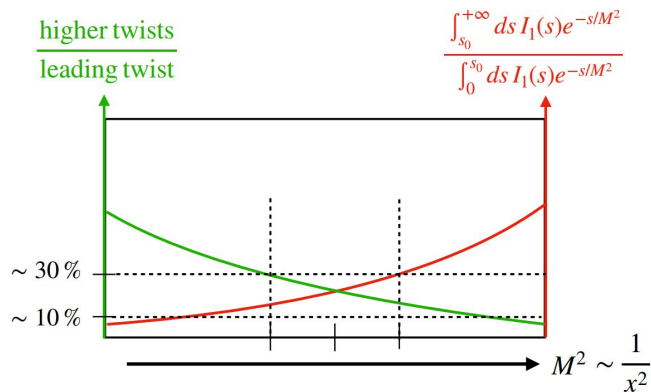
$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{s_0^h}^{+\infty} ds \rho(s) e^{-s/M^2} \approx f_B m_B \int_{s_0}^{+\infty} ds I_1(s) e^{-s/M^2}$$

Setting the parameters:

$$F(q^2) = \frac{f_B m_B}{K(F)} \int_0^{s_0} ds I_1(s) e^{-(s - m^2)/M^2}$$

- ▶ Borel parameter M^2 : compromise between suppression of higher twists, and continuum and excited states contribution

- ▶ Duality threshold s_0 : Independence of $F(q^2)$ w.r.t M^2 :



Range of the Borel parameter
E.g. for $B \rightarrow K$: $M^2 \in [0.5, 1.5] \text{ GeV}^2$

Daughter Sum Rule : $\frac{d}{dM^2} F(q^2) = 0$

Issues

- ▶ Unknown systematic error from quark-hadron duality
- ▶ Daughter Sum Rule does not always converge

Theoretical framework:

$b \rightarrow sll$ in the weak effective theory

At the scale m_b $H_{eff} = H_{eff,sl} + H_{eff,had}$

▶ $H_{eff,sl} = \underbrace{-\frac{4G_F\alpha_{em}^2}{\sqrt{2}}V_{tb}V_{ts}^*}_{\mathcal{N}} \sum_{i=7,9,10,S,P} (C_i^l O_i^l + C_i^{\prime l} O_i^{\prime l})$ ←

Semileptonic local operators

$O_7^{(l)} = \frac{m_b}{e}(\bar{s}\sigma_{\mu\nu}P_{R(L)}b)F^{\mu\nu}$
 $O_9^{(l)} = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_{R(L)}b)(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu l)$
 $O_{10}^{(l)} = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_{R(L)}b)(\bar{l}\gamma^\mu\gamma_5 l)$

▶ $H_{eff,had} = -\mathcal{N}\frac{1}{\alpha_{em}^2}\left(C_8O_8 + C_8' + O_8' + \sum_{i=1,\dots,6} C_i O_i\right) + \text{h.c.}$ ←

Hadronic local operators

$O_1 = (\bar{s}\gamma_\mu P_L T^a c)(\bar{c}\gamma^\mu P_L T^a b)$
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