

# Hadronic susceptibilities for $b \rightarrow c$ transitions from two-point correlation functions

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**Definition:**

$$\chi_T(q^2) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Pi_T}{\partial (q^2)^2} : \quad \chi_T(q^2 = 0) = \frac{1}{12} \int_0^\infty dt t^4 C_i(t)$$

$$\chi_L(q^2) \equiv \frac{\partial \Pi_L}{\partial q^2} : \quad \chi_L(q^2 = 0) = \int_0^\infty dt t^2 C_0(t) \xrightarrow[\text{Free from contact terms}]{\text{Ward Identity}} \frac{(m_b \mp m_c)^2}{12} \int_0^\infty dt t^4 C^{S,P}(t)$$

(S, P =  $\bar{c}b, \bar{c}\gamma_5 b$ )

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Example: hadronic matrix  $\langle D | V_\mu | \bar{B} \rangle$  element in  $B \rightarrow D\ell\nu_\ell$  described by two form factors  $f_{+,0}(q^2)$

$$\langle D | V_\mu | \bar{B} \rangle = f_+ [(p_B + p_D)_\mu - \Delta m_{BD}^2 q_\mu / q^2] + f_0 \Delta m_{BD}^2 q_\mu / q^2$$

$$\frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow D\ell\nu_\ell)}{dq^2} = \underbrace{\frac{G_F^2 \eta_{EW}^2 m_B \lambda^{1/2}}{192\pi^3}}_{\text{Known}} |V_{cb}|^2 (q^2 - m_\ell)^2 \left[ c_+ \underbrace{|f_+(q^2)|^2}_{\text{From Lattice}} + c_0 \underbrace{|f_0(q^2)|^2}_{\text{From Lattice}} \right] \quad \text{Semileptonic region: } m_\ell^2 \leq q^2 = (p_B - p_D)^2 \leq q_{\max}^2$$

Lattice simulations more precise close to  $q_{\max}^2 = (m_B - m_D)^2$  but no experimental data at  $q_{\max}^2$

Parametrizations to access the full semileptonic region  $q^2 \rightarrow 0$  (BGL & CLN most popular)

# Constraining form factors

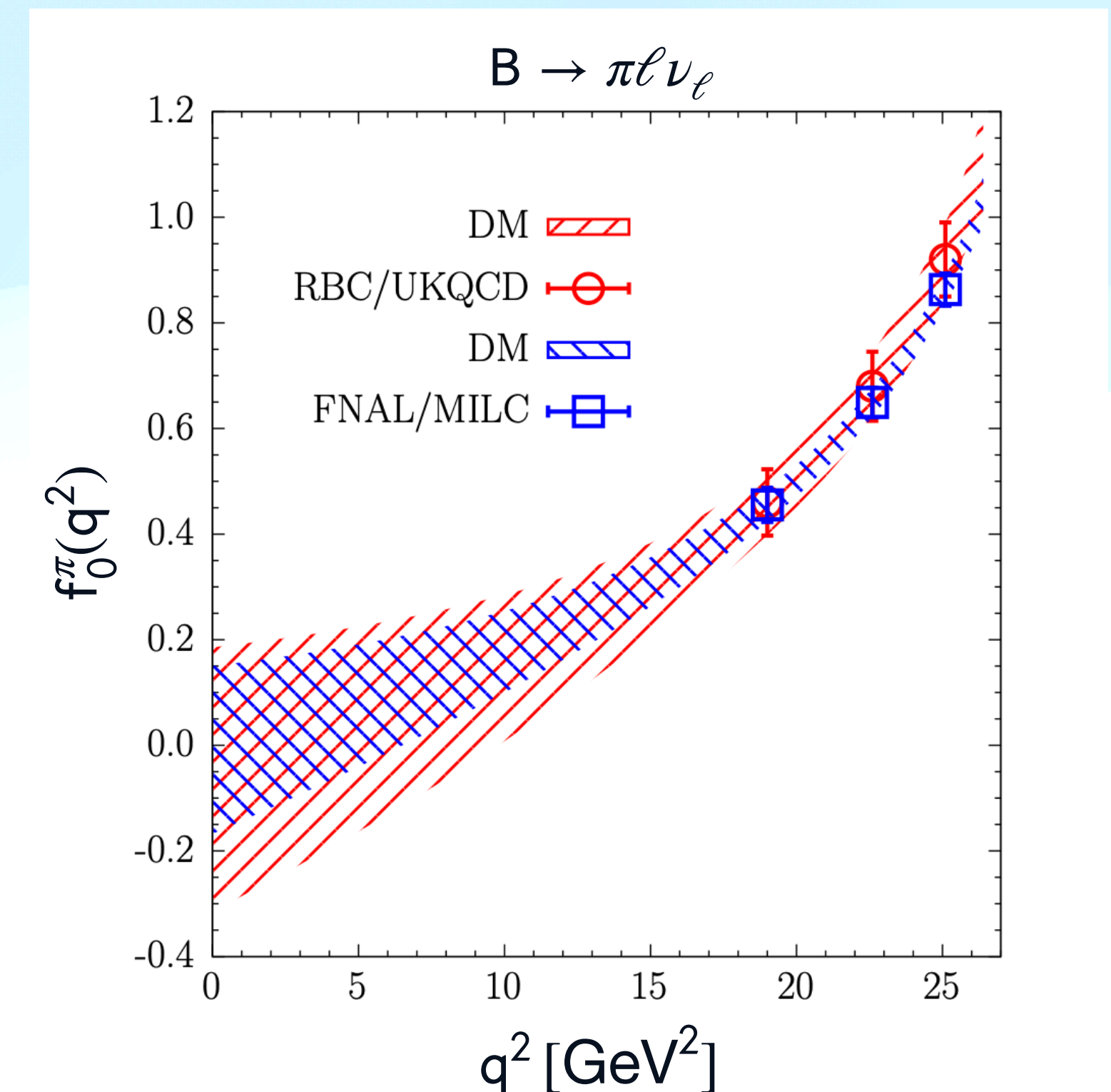
- **Dispersion relation:**  $\chi_T(q^2) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \Pi_T}{\partial (q^2)^2} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty dt \frac{\text{Im} \Pi_T(t)}{(t - q^2)^3}$
- **Crossing symmetry**  $\langle D | V_\mu | \bar{B} \rangle \rightarrow \langle 0 | V_\mu | \bar{D} B \rangle$  :
- **Unitarity:**  $\text{Im} \Pi_T(q^2) \geq \frac{1}{2} \int d^3 \tilde{p}_B d^3 \tilde{p}_D \delta^{(4)}(q - p_B - p_D) |\langle 0 | V | \bar{D} B \rangle|^2 + \times$

$$\chi_T(q^2) \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{(m_B+m_D)^2}^\infty dt \frac{w(t) |f(t)|^2}{(t - q^2)^3}$$

- **Analyticity:** translate this bound into semileptonic region, from lattice points at  $q_{\text{max}}^2$  extrapolate to  $q^2 \rightarrow 0$  with no assumption on  $q^2$ -dependence

See [hep-ph/9509358](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9509358) Lellouch, [arXiv:2105.02497](https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.02497) Di Carlo et al.

Figure from [arXiv:2205.097421](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.097421)  
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# Lattice setup

Ensemble	$(L^3 \cdot T)/a^4$	$L$ [fm]	$m_\pi$ [MeV]	$a\mu_{ud}$	$a\mu_s$	$a\mu_c$	$a\mu_h$	$N_{cfg}$
$\beta = 1.726$ $a = 0.09076(54)$ $w_0/a = 1.8352(35)$ $a\mu_s^{phys} = 0.02005(25)$ $a\mu_c^{phys} = 0.2748(27)$								
A211.53.24	$24^3 \cdot 48$	2.18	361.6(2.1)	0.0053	0.0185	0.2480	0.3390, 0.6336	615
A211.40.24	$24^3 \cdot 48$	2.18	315.7(2.0)	0.0040	0.0205	0.2900	0.3964, 0.7408	660
A211.30.32	$32^3 \cdot 64$	2.90	272.2(1.7)	0.0032			0.4635, 0.8661	615
A211.12.48	$48^3 \cdot 96$		167.1(0.8)	0.0048			0.5419, 1.0126	219
$\beta = 1.778$ $a = 0.07957(13)$ $w_0/a = 2.1299(16)$ $a\mu_s^{phys} = 0.018414(69)$ $a\mu_c^{phys} = 0.23859(78)$								
B211.25.48	$48^3 \cdot 96$	2.18	253.3(1.4)	0.0048	0.0170	0.2200	0.3007, 0.5620	300
B211.072.64	$64^3 \cdot 128$	5.09	140.1(0.2)	0.00072	0.0190	0.2572	0.3516, 0.6571 0.4111, 0.7683 0.4807, 0.8983	190
$\beta = 1.836$ $a = 0.06821(13)$ $w_0/a = 2.5045(17)$ $a\mu_s^{phys} = 0.016176(72)$ $a\mu_c^{phys} = 0.20253(74)$								
C211.060.80	$80^3 \cdot 160$	5.46	136.7(0.2)	0.00080	0.0155	0.1920	0.2625, 0.4905 0.0175 0.2245 0.3069, 0.5735 0.3588, 0.6705 0.4195, 0.7840	165
$\beta = 1.900$ $a = 0.05692(12)$ $w_0/a = 2.5045(17)$ $a\mu_s^{phys} = 0.013647(58)$ $a\mu_c^{phys} = 0.16710(52)$								
D211.054.96	$96^3 \cdot 192$	5.46	140.8(0.2)	0.00096	0.0130	0.1600	0.2187, 0.4087 0.0140 0.1871 0.2557, 0.4779 0.2990, 0.5588 0.3496, 0.6533	43

2-point correlation functions from ETMC gauge ensembles

- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  flavors of Wilson-Clover twisted-mass quarks
- All dynamical quark masses close to physical values (most ensembles)
- Four values of the lattice spacing to extrapolate to the continuum limit
- Two variations (r, r) and (r, -r) of twisted mass regularization to constrain the continuum limit
- Heavy-quark masses  $m_h^{(n)}$  to extrapolate to b-quark mass

# *b*-quark mass determination



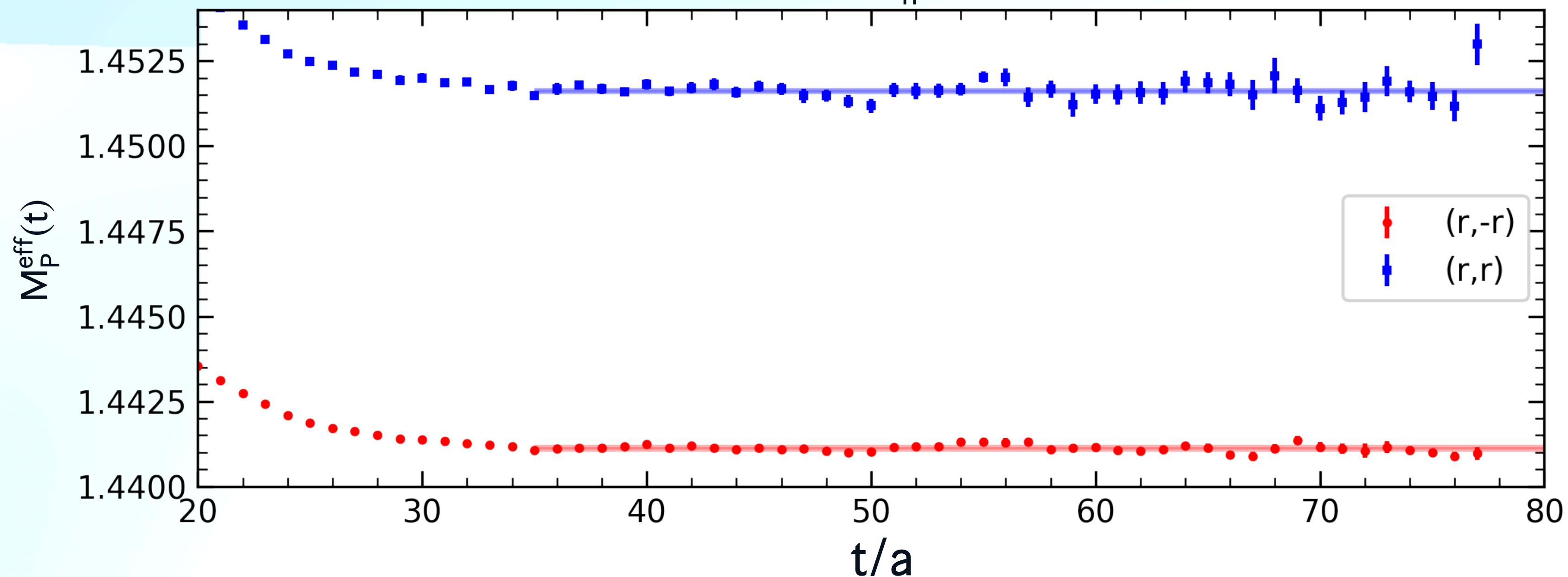
# Effective mass of heavy-charmed mesons

$b$ -quark mass determination from  $M_{B_c}$

Extraction of meson masses  $M_P(a^2, m_h^{(n)}, m_c)$  from constant fit at large time distances of effective mass  $M_P^{\text{eff}}(t)$

$$M_P^{\text{eff}}(t; a^2, m_h^{(n)}, m_c) = \text{Arccosh} \left( \frac{C^P(t) + C^P(t+2)}{2C^P(t+1)} \right) \xrightarrow{t \gg 0} M_P(a^2, m_h^{(n)}, m_c)$$

Effective mass at  $m_h^{(n)} = 2.2 m_c$



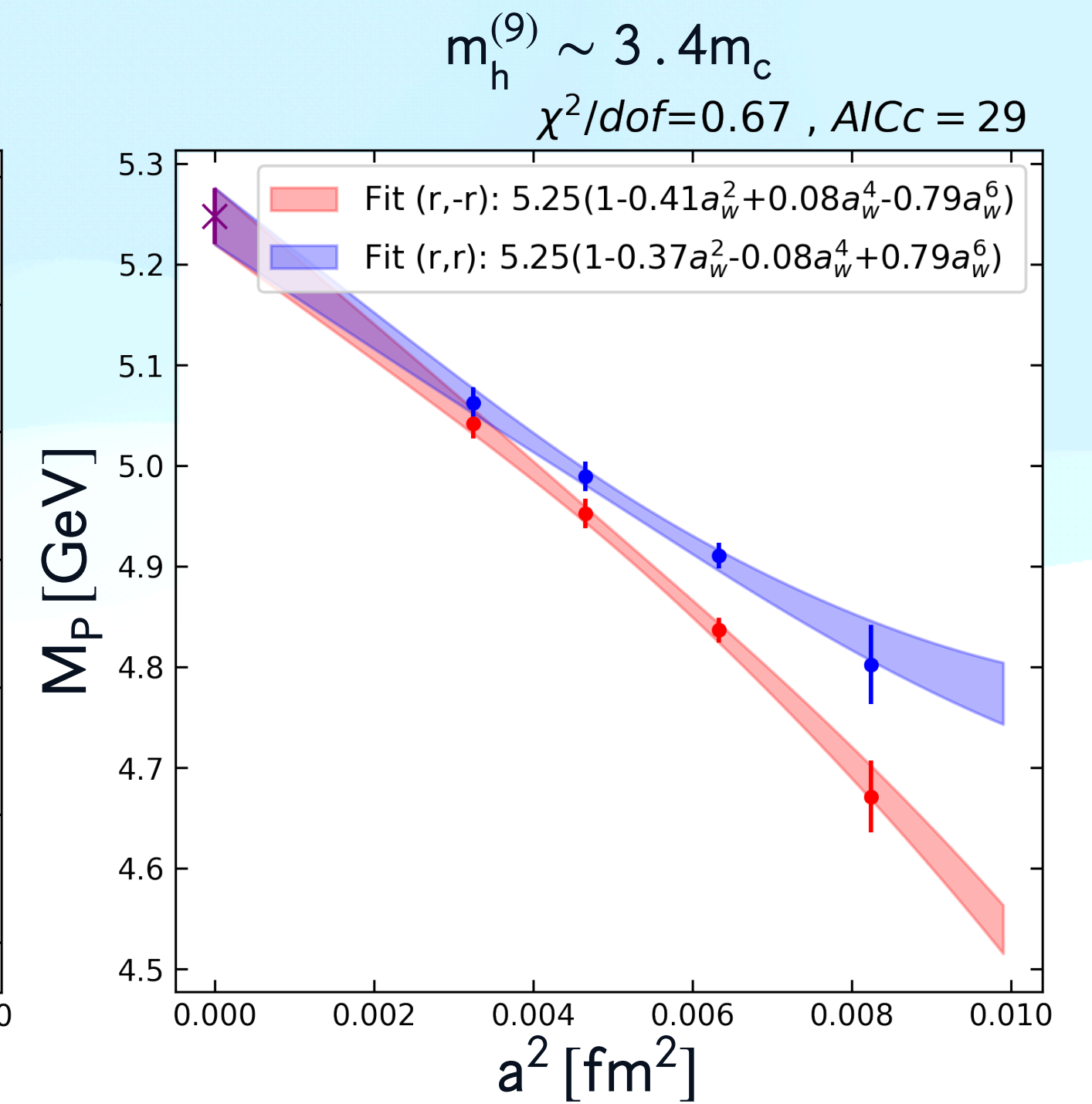
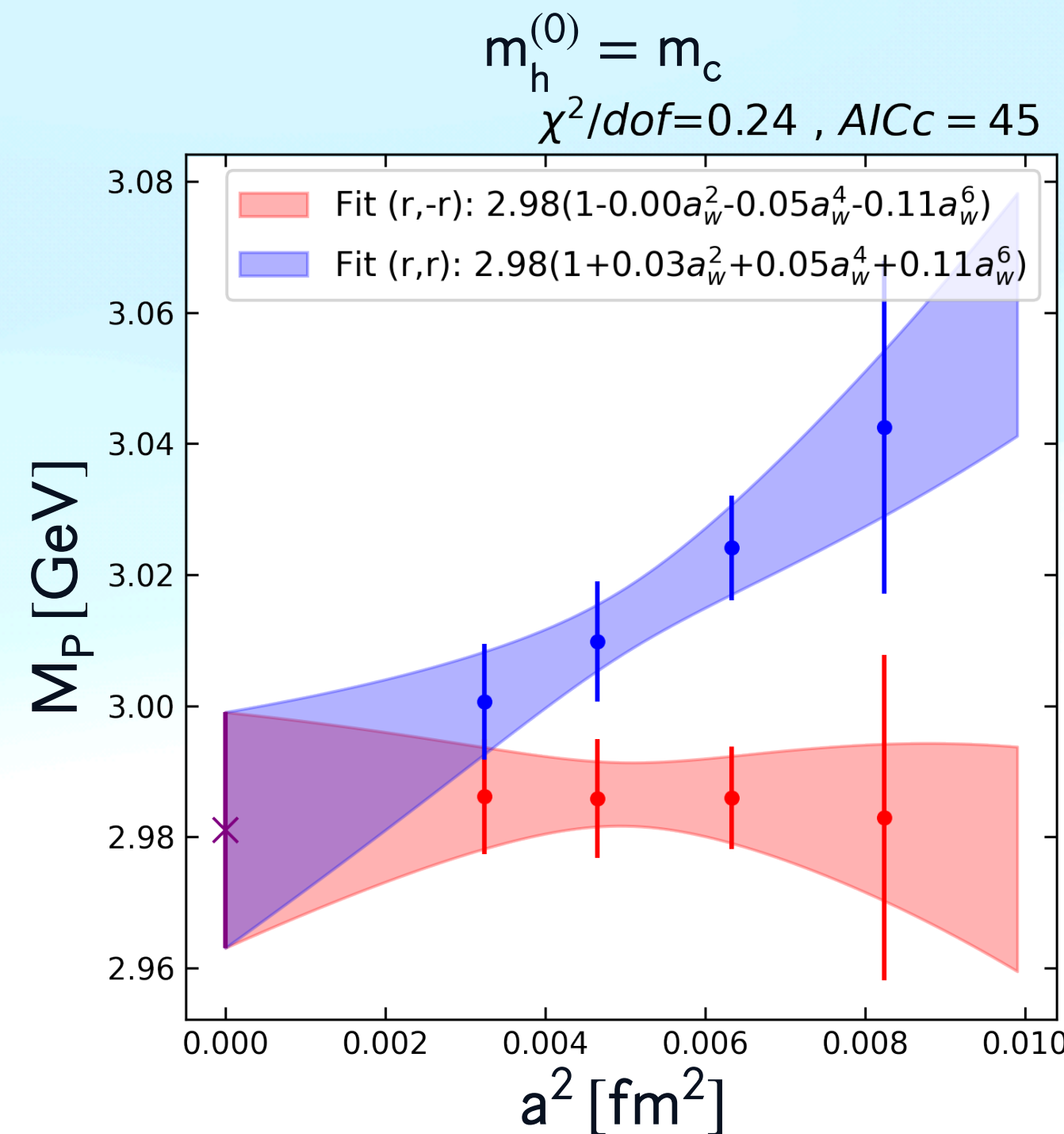
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- Polynomial fit ansatz up to  $\mathcal{O}(a^6)$ :

$$M_P^{(r,r)}(a^2; m_h^{(n)}, m_c) = M_P(m_h^{(n)}, m_c) \left( 1 + P_1^{(r,r)} a^2 + P_2^{(r,r)} a^4 + P_3^{(r,r)} a^6 \right) \quad M_P(m_c, m_c) \equiv M_{\eta_c} = 2981(18) \text{ MeV}$$

$$M_P^{(r,-r)}(a^2; m_h^{(n)}, m_c) = M_P(m_h^{(n)}, m_c) \left( 1 + P_1^{(r,-r)} a^2 - P_2^{(r,r)} a^4 - P_3^{(r,r)} a^6 \right)$$



# *b*-quark mass

Simple phenomenological ansatz determination:  
mass of heavy meson goes to infinity when its heavy  
quark constituent mass  $m_h \rightarrow \infty$ :

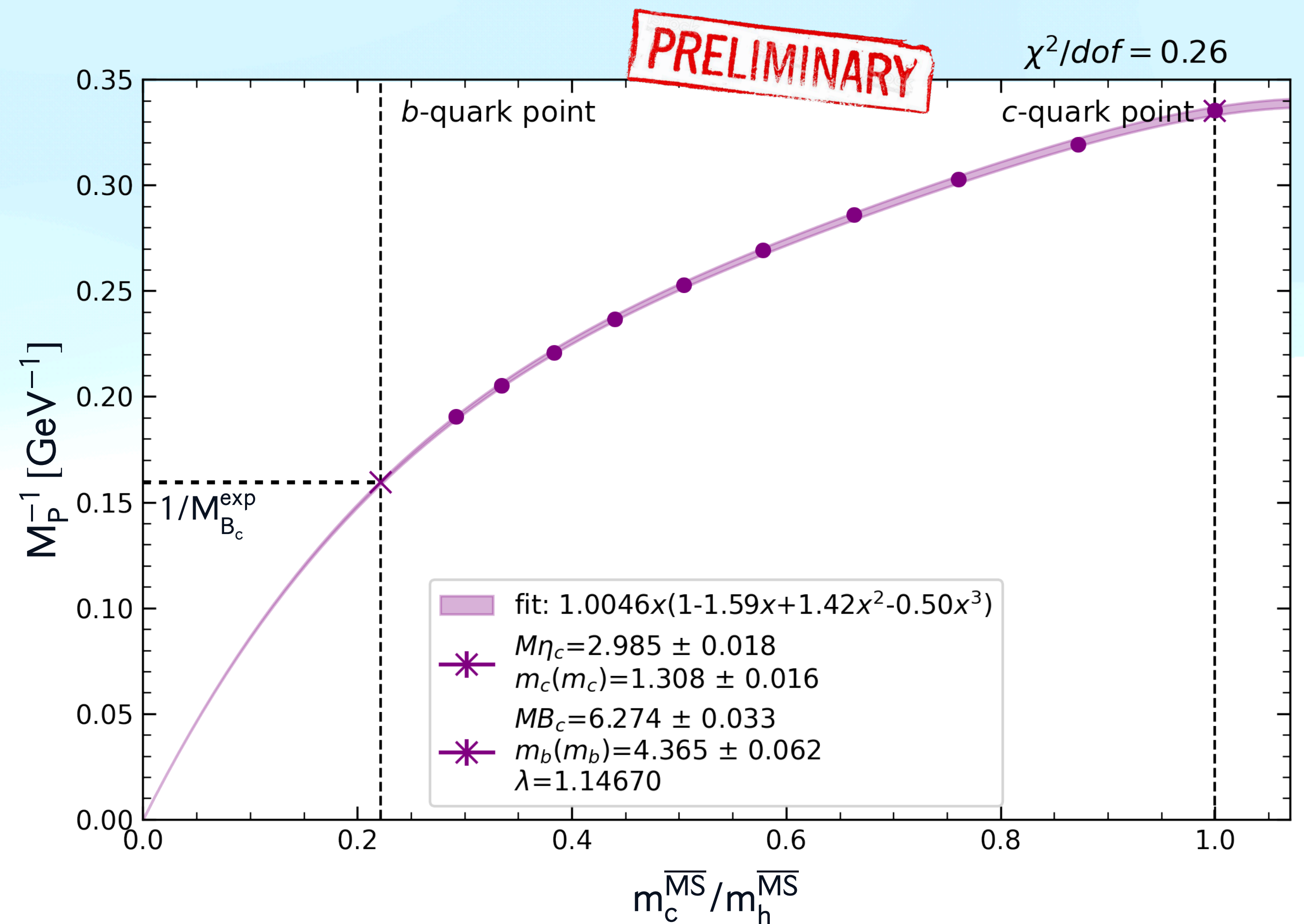
$$M_P^{-1}(m_h^{(n)}, m_c) = \frac{m_c}{m_h} B_1 \left( 1 + B_2 \frac{m_c}{m_h} + B_3 \frac{m_c^2}{m_h^2} + B_4 \frac{m_c^3}{m_h^3} \right)$$

Fix  $m_b/m_c$  imposing

$$M_P(m_b, m_c) = M_{B_c}^{\text{exp}} \\ \Rightarrow m_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}}/m_c^{\overline{\text{MS}}} = 4.5075$$

Multiplying by  $m_c^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(3\text{GeV})=1.039(17)$  :  
[arXiv: 2104.13408 ETM '21](https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.13408)

$$m_b^{\overline{\text{MS}}}(3\text{GeV}) = 4.683(77) \text{ GeV} \\ m_b(m_b) = 4.365(62) \text{ GeV}$$



# Susceptibilities

# Update w.r.t.

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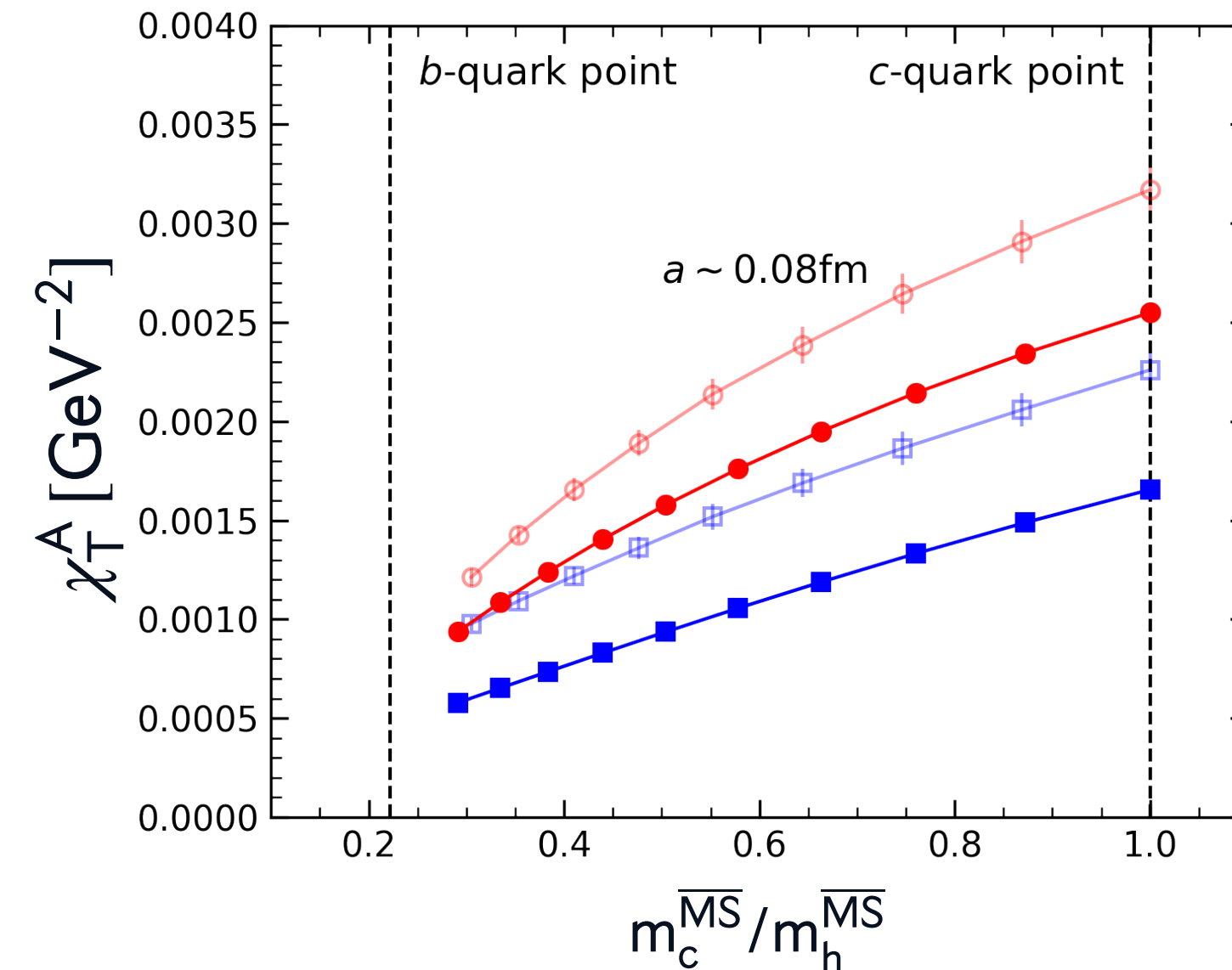
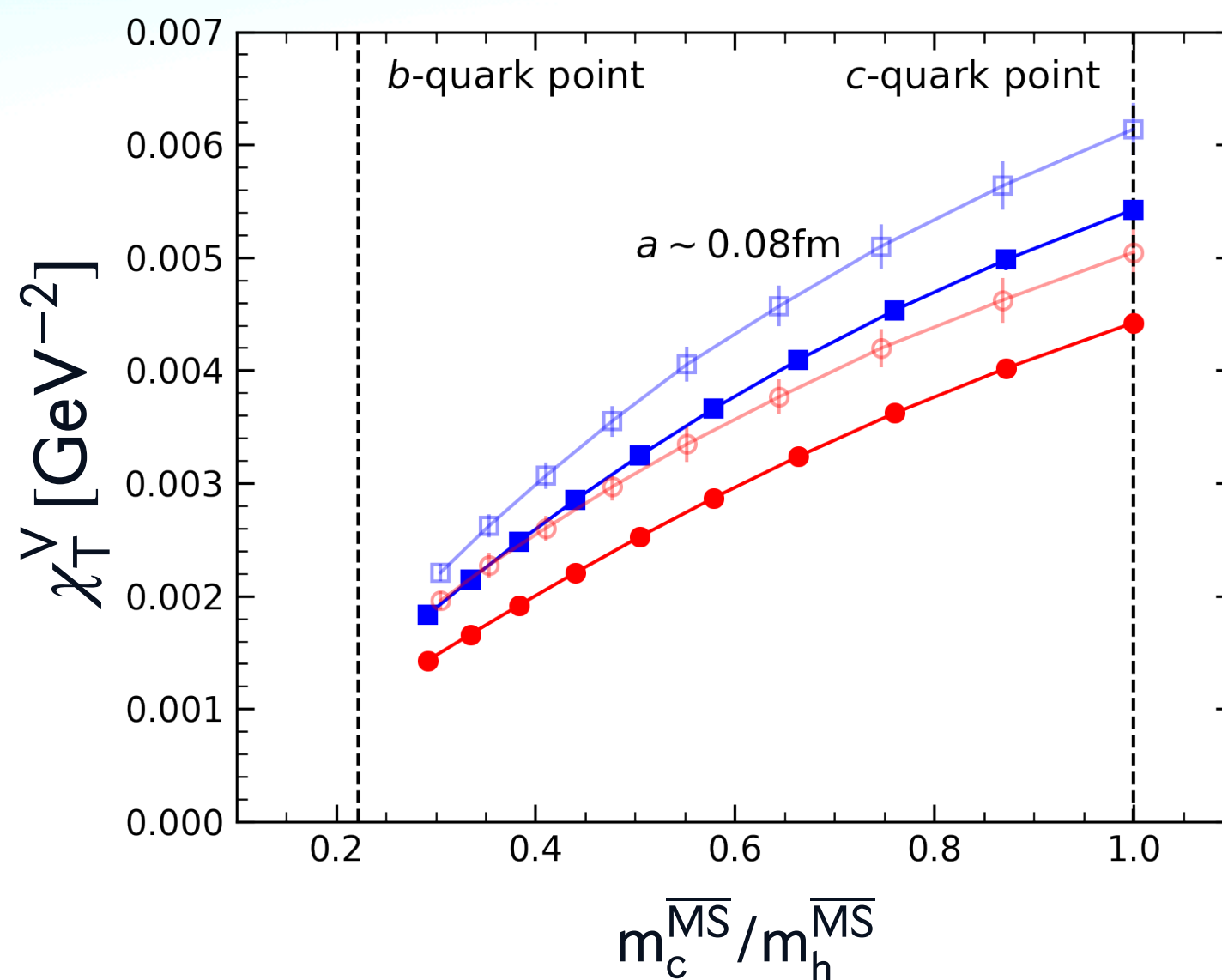
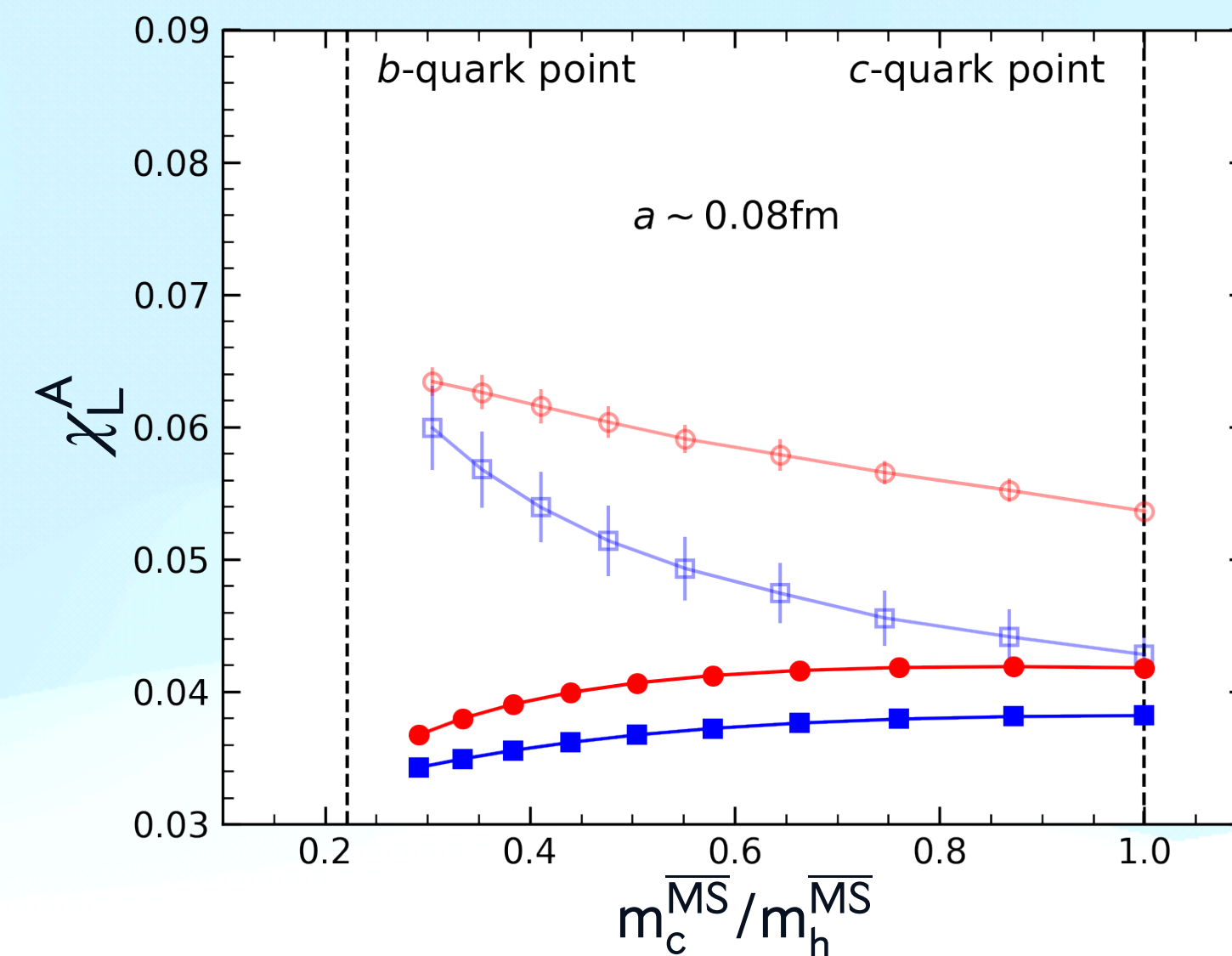
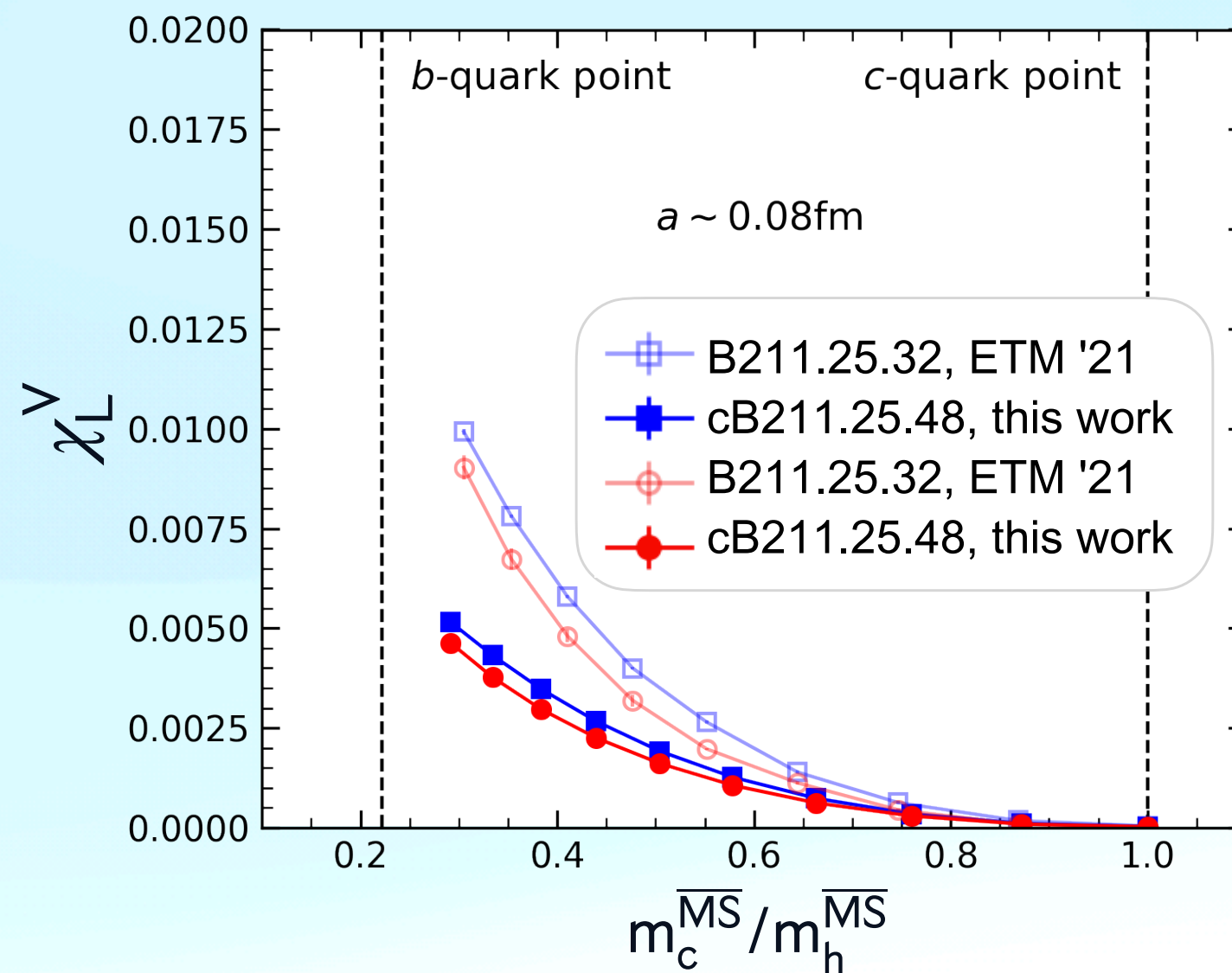
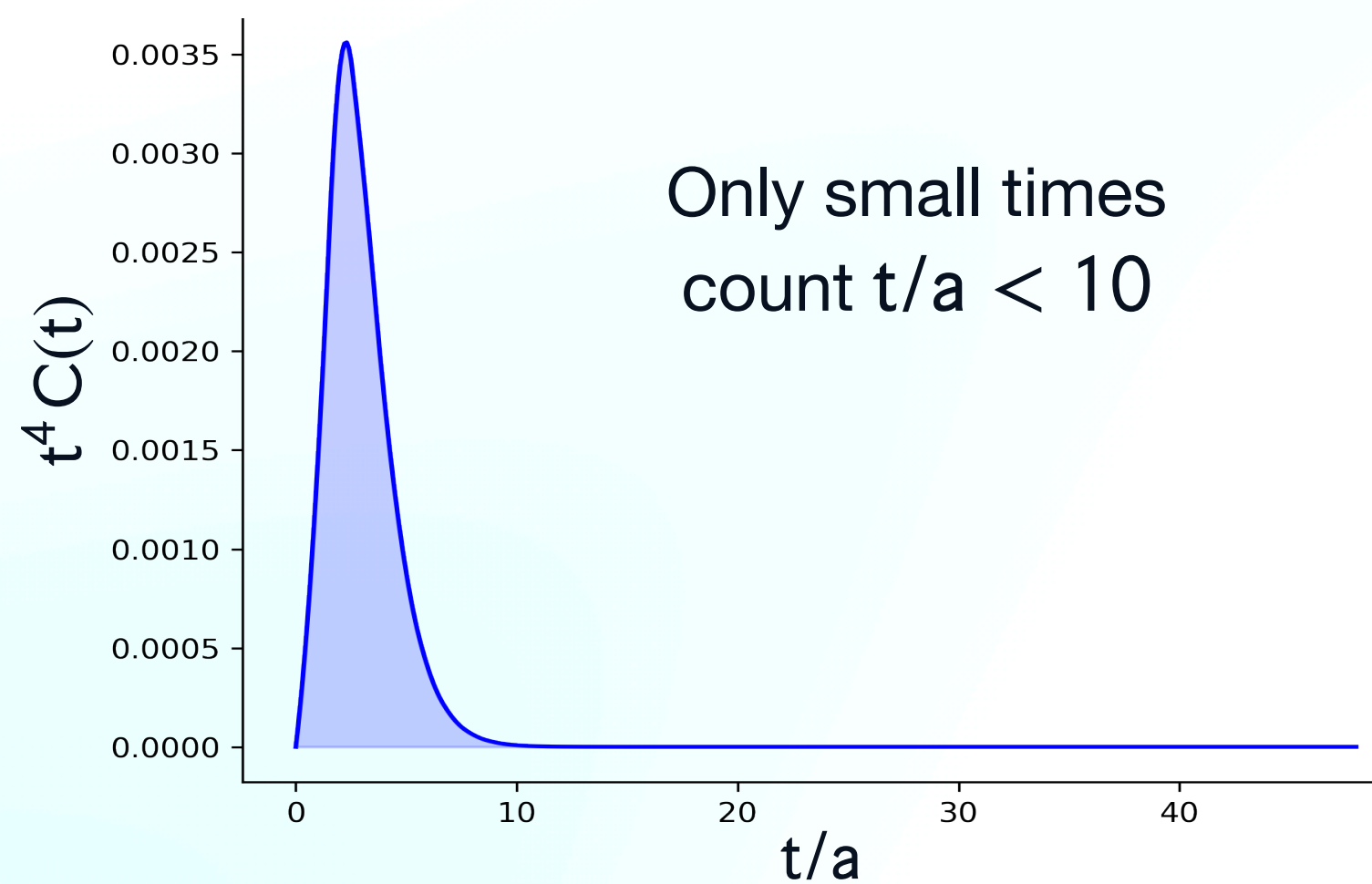
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Clover term and improved precision

Computed quantities for each ensemble:

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$$\chi_T^{V,A}(a^2, m_h^{(n)}, m_c) = \frac{1}{12} \int_0^\infty dt t^4 C_i^{V,A}(t)$$



# Perturbative Subtraction

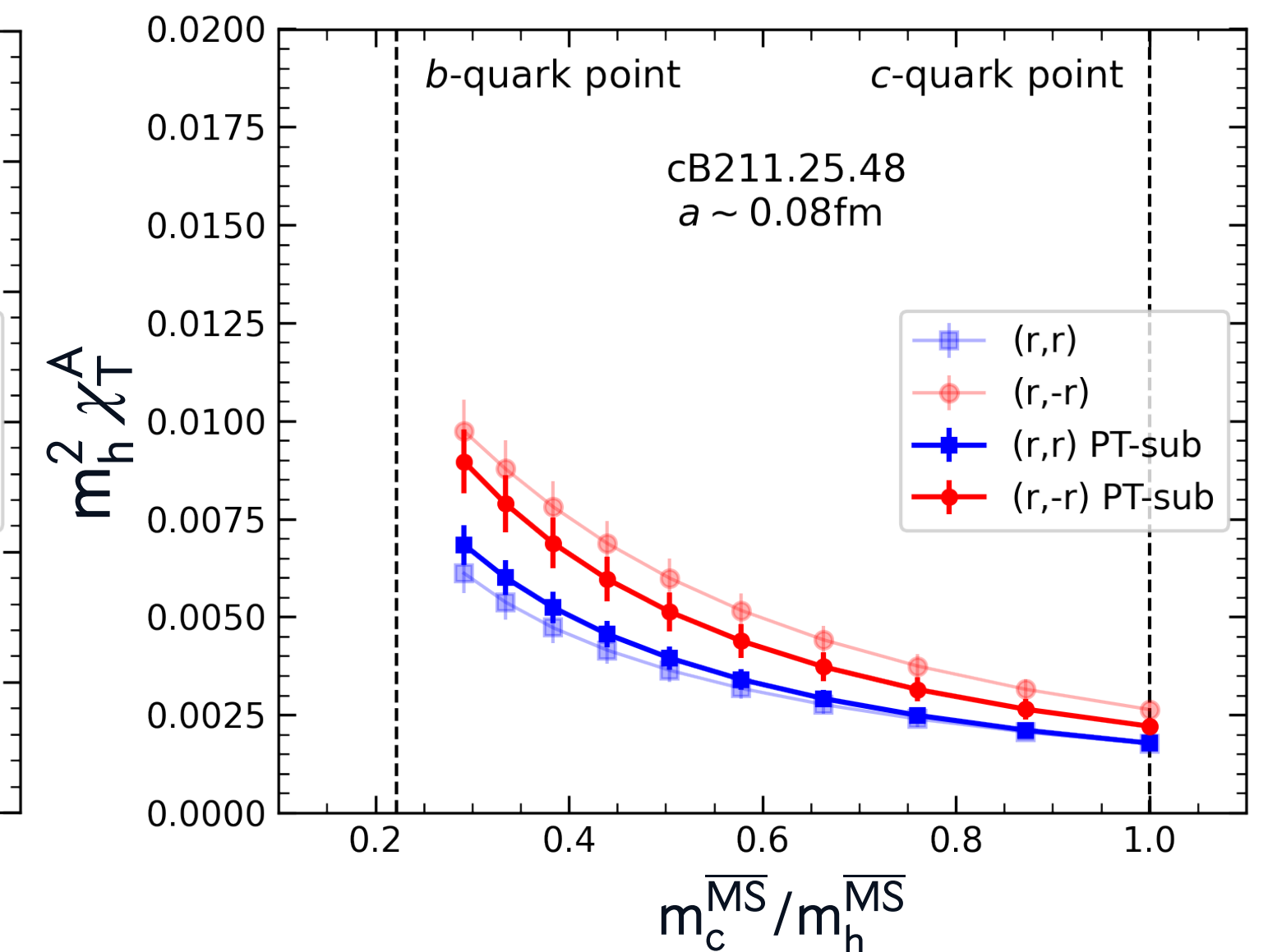
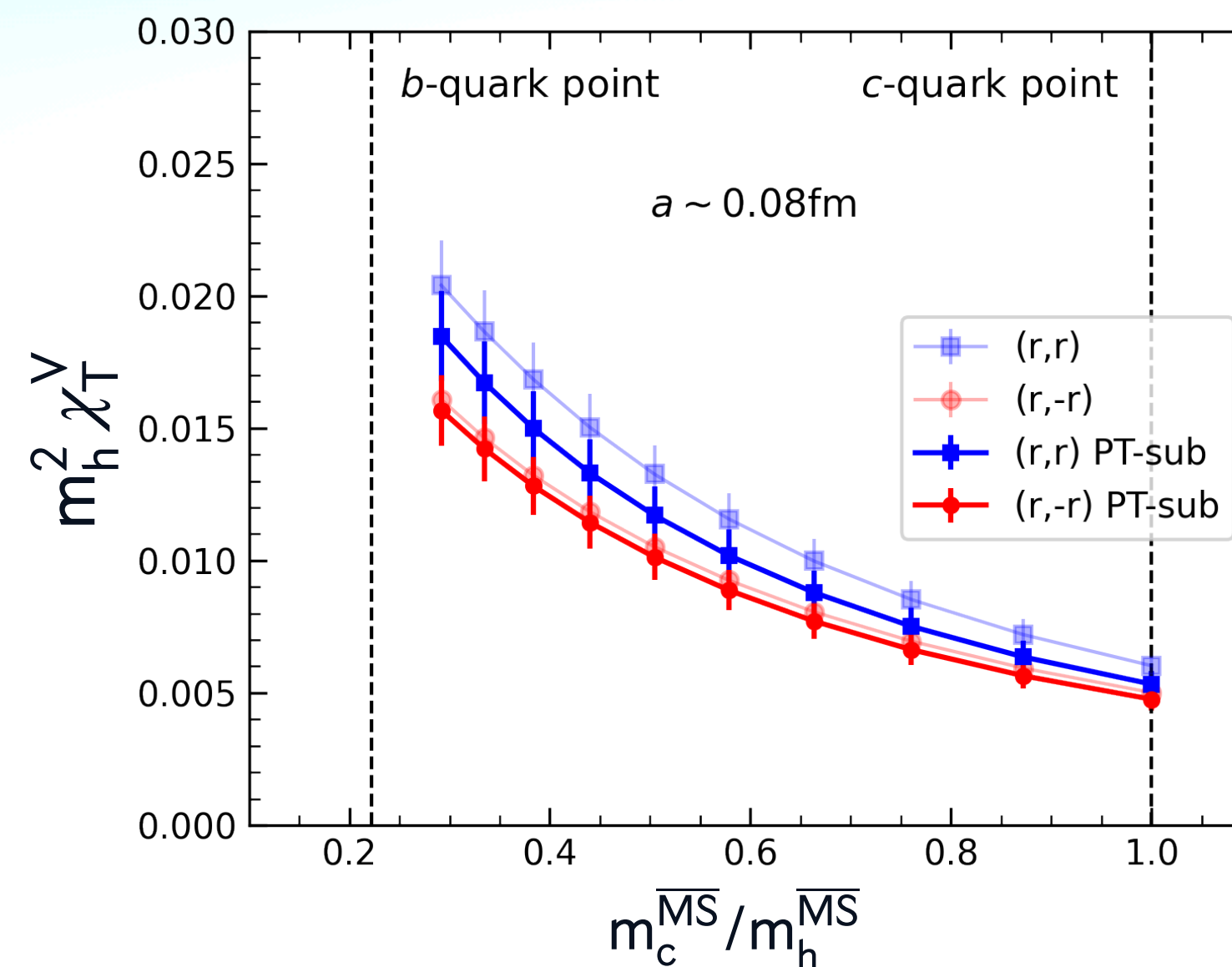
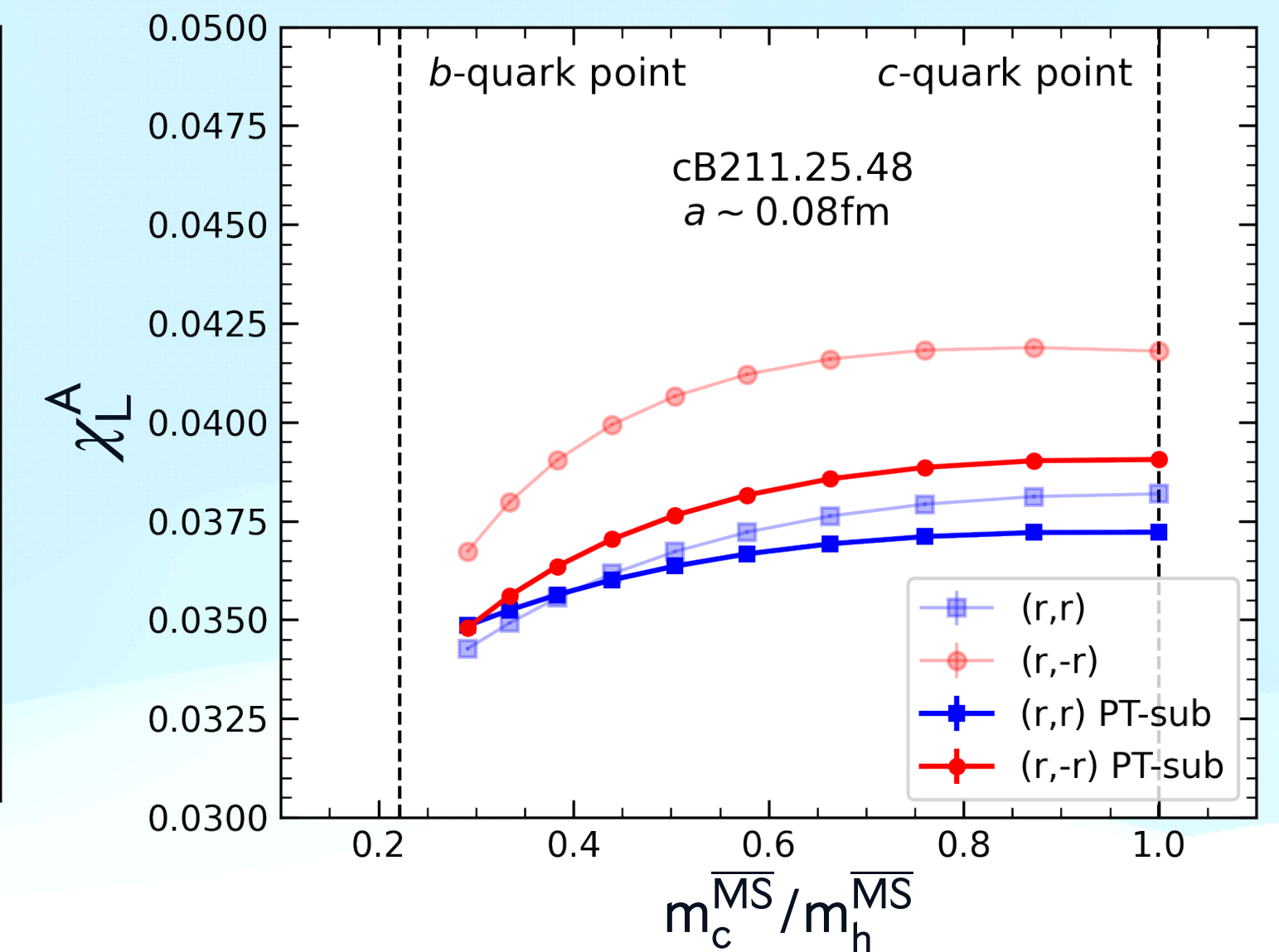
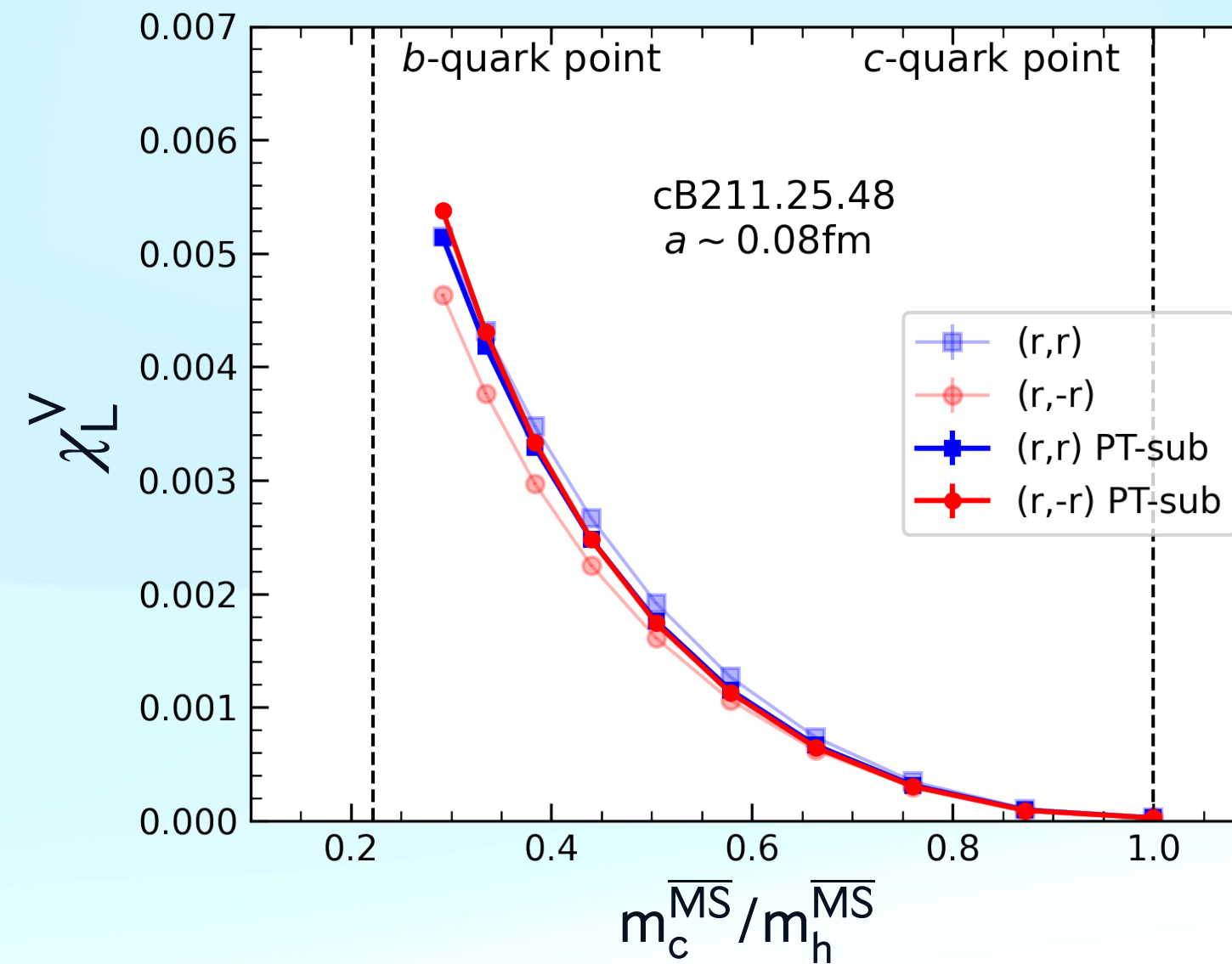
Following arXiv: 2105.02497

$$\chi(a^2) \rightarrow \chi(a^2) - \underbrace{(\chi^{\text{FT}}(a^2) - \chi_{\text{LO}}^{\text{PT}})}_{\text{Cut-off effect of Free Theory}}$$

$\chi_{\text{LO}}^{\text{PT}}$ : the perturbative value is known from [hep-ph/9705252](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9705252) Grinstein et al.

$\chi^{\text{FT}}$ : susceptibilities from correlation functions in Free Theory (FT):  $\alpha_s = 0$ , computed for every ensemble setup

$$\chi^{\text{FT}}(a^2) = \chi_{\text{LO}}^{\text{PT}} + \text{cut-off effects}$$



# Continuum limit of $\chi_L^{V,A}$

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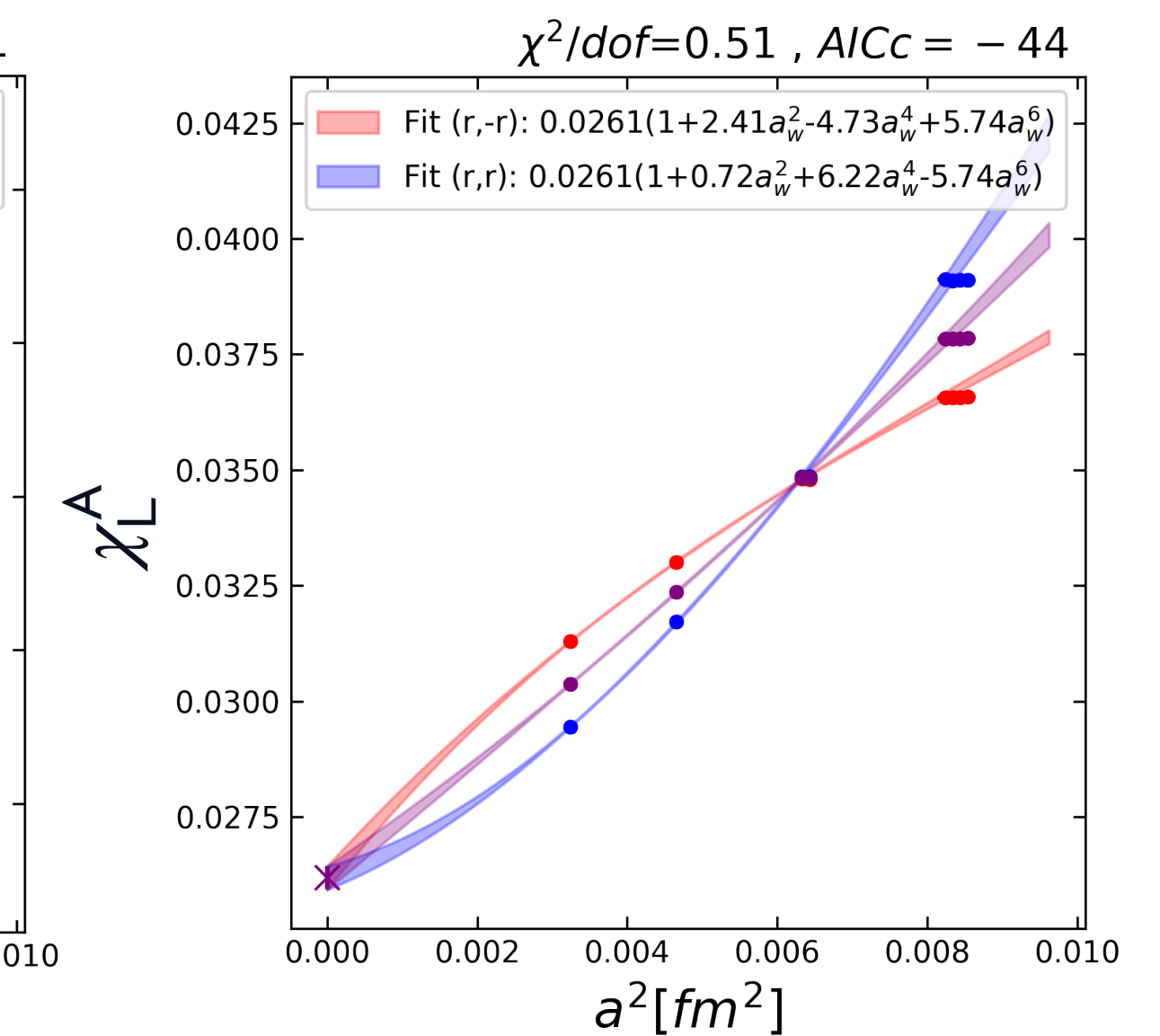
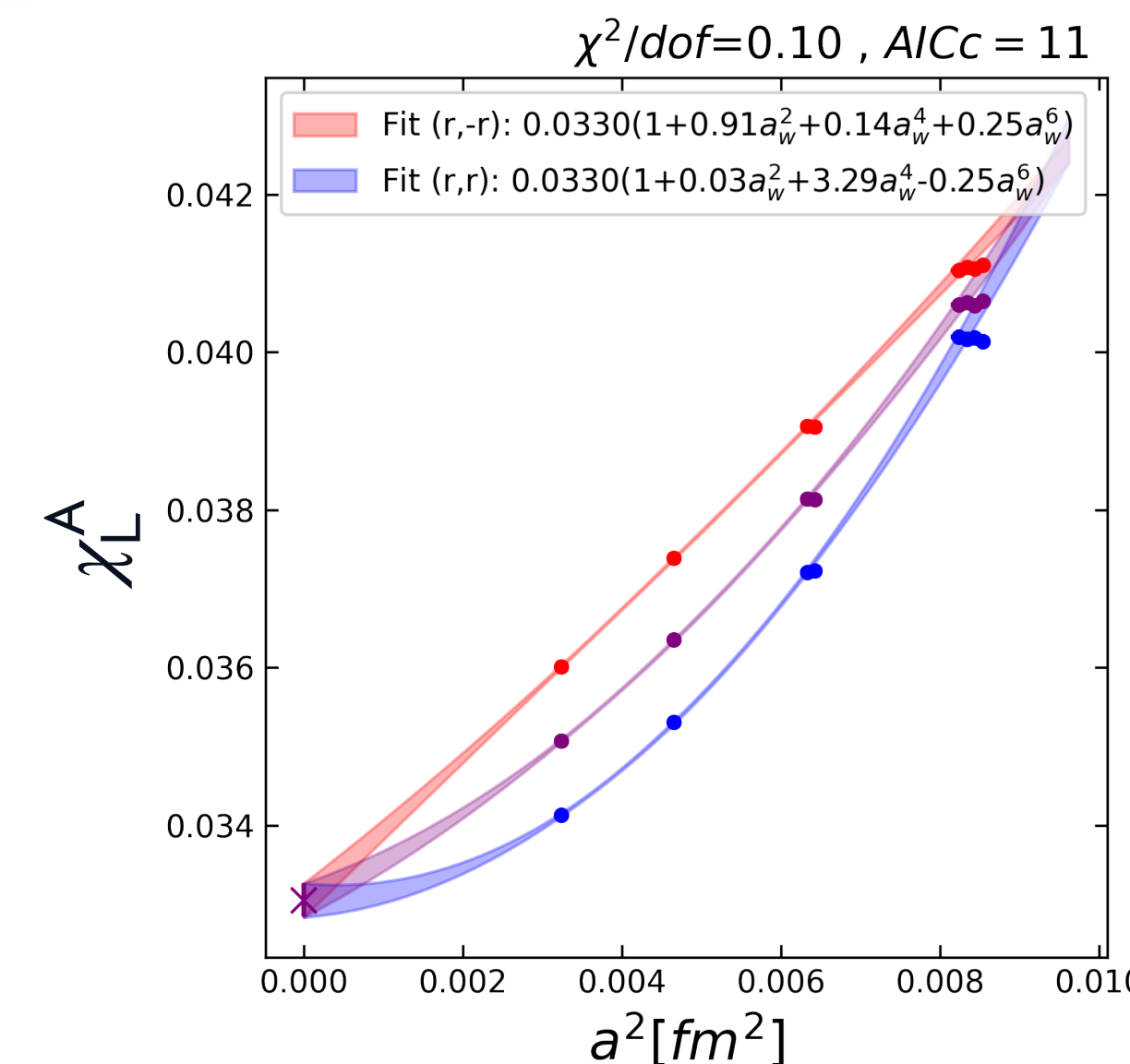
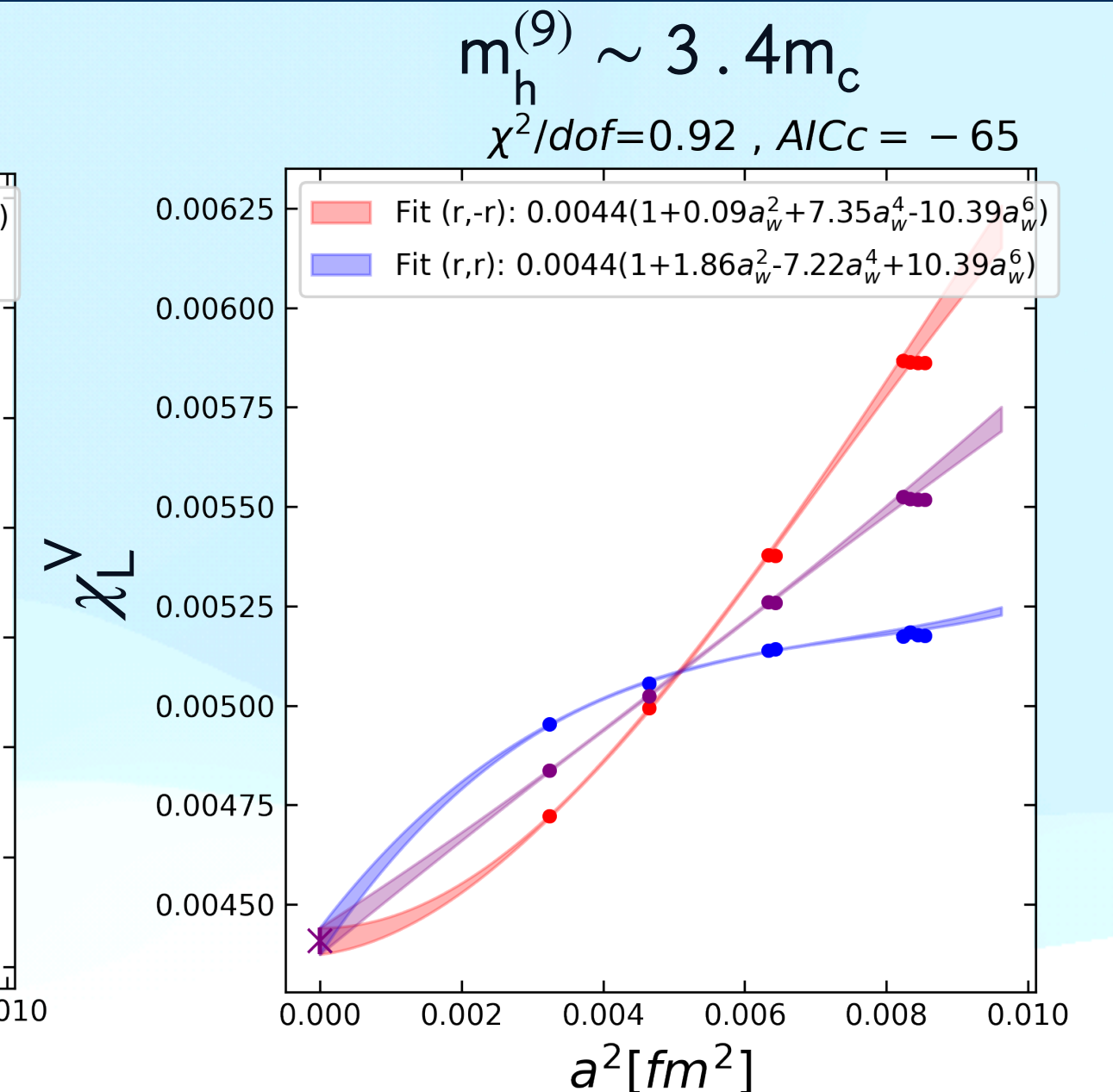
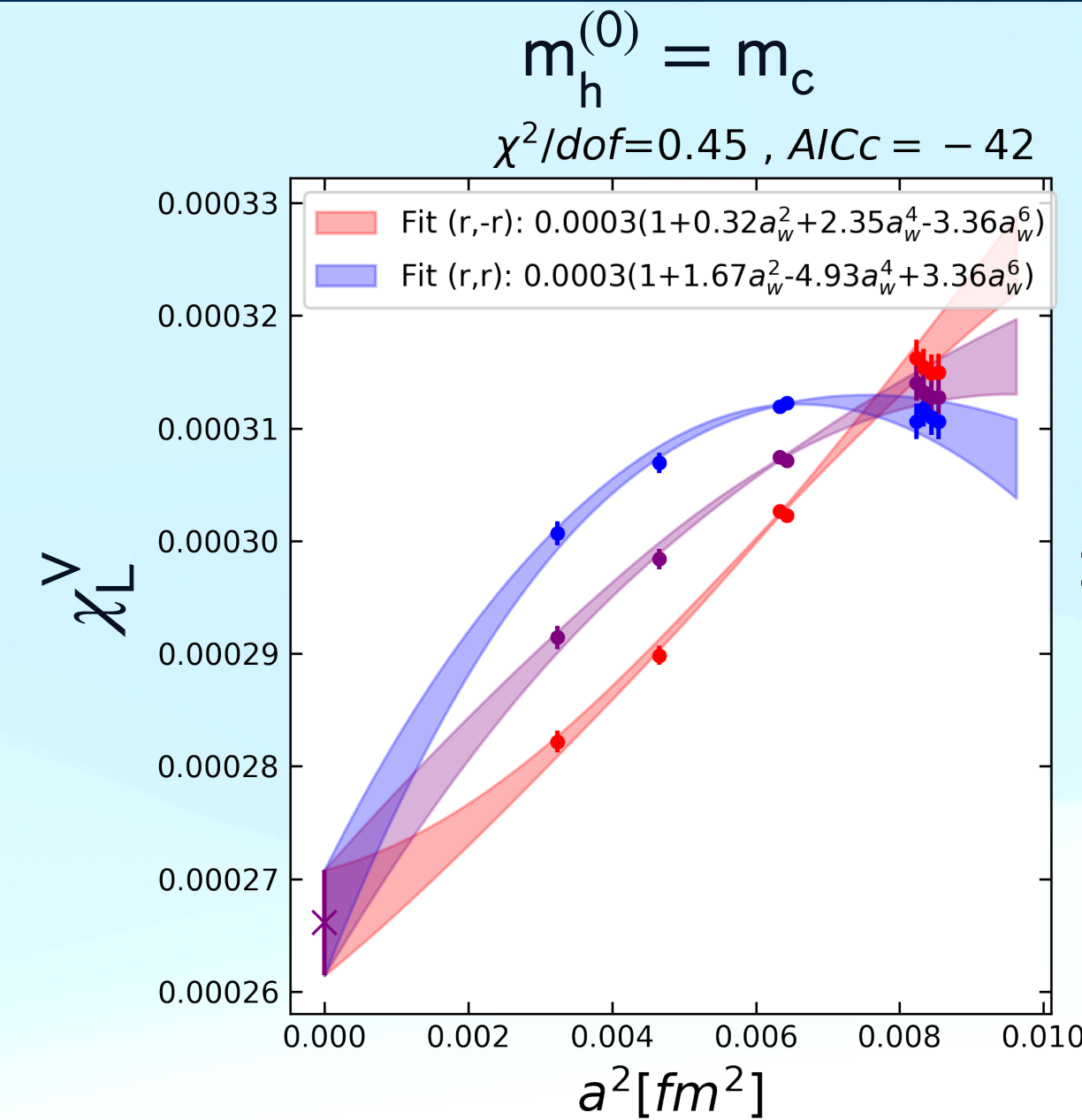
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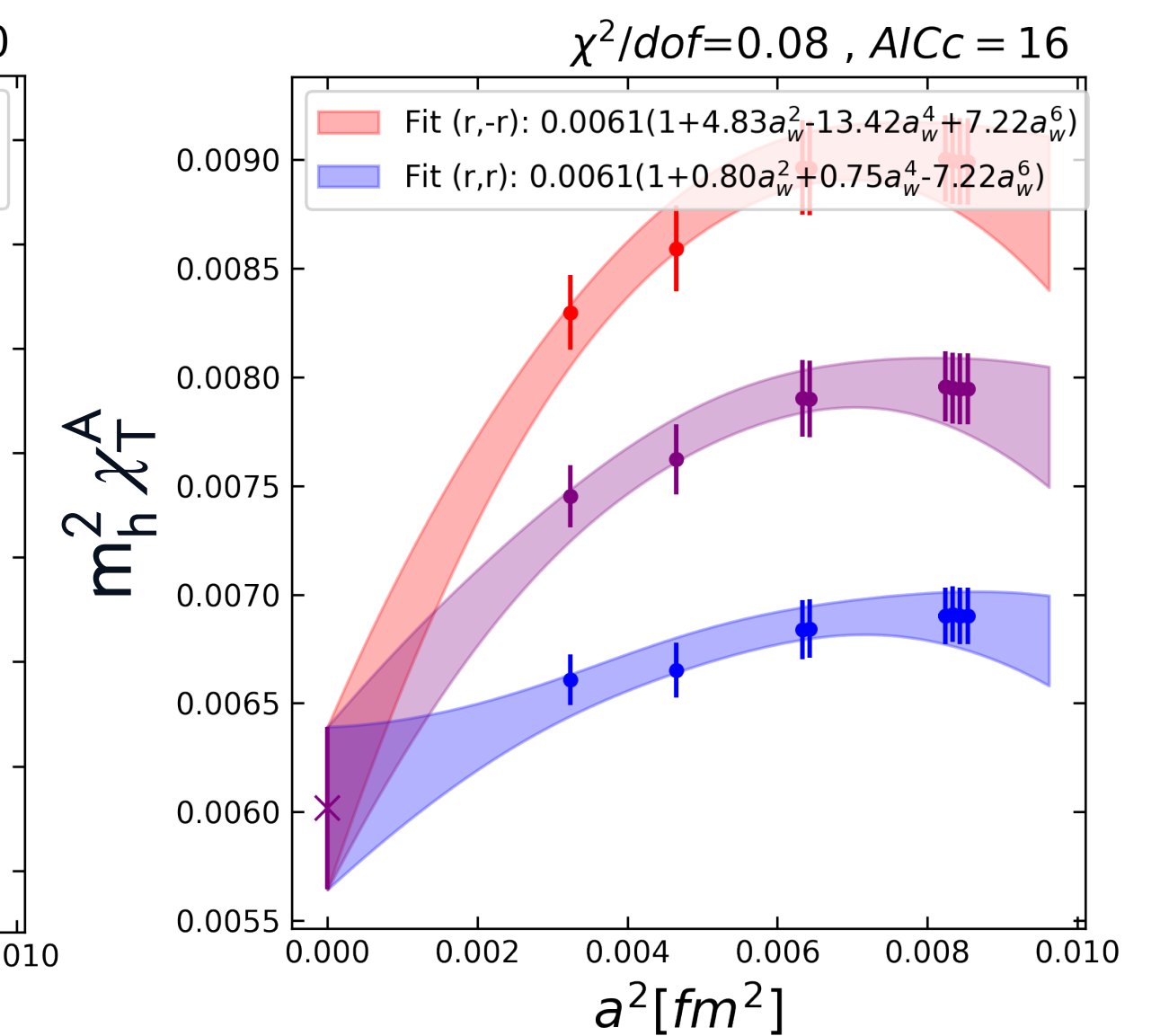
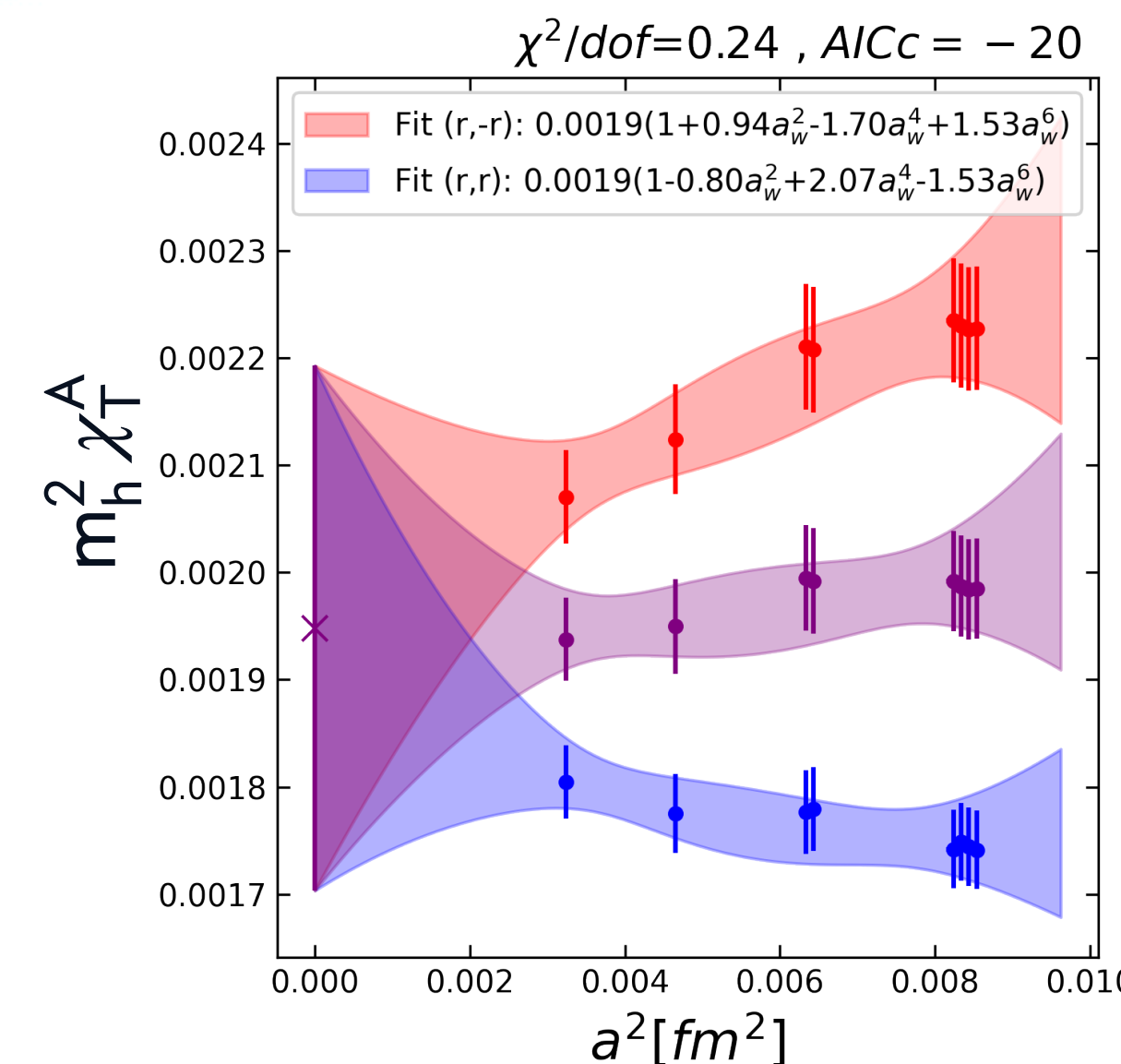
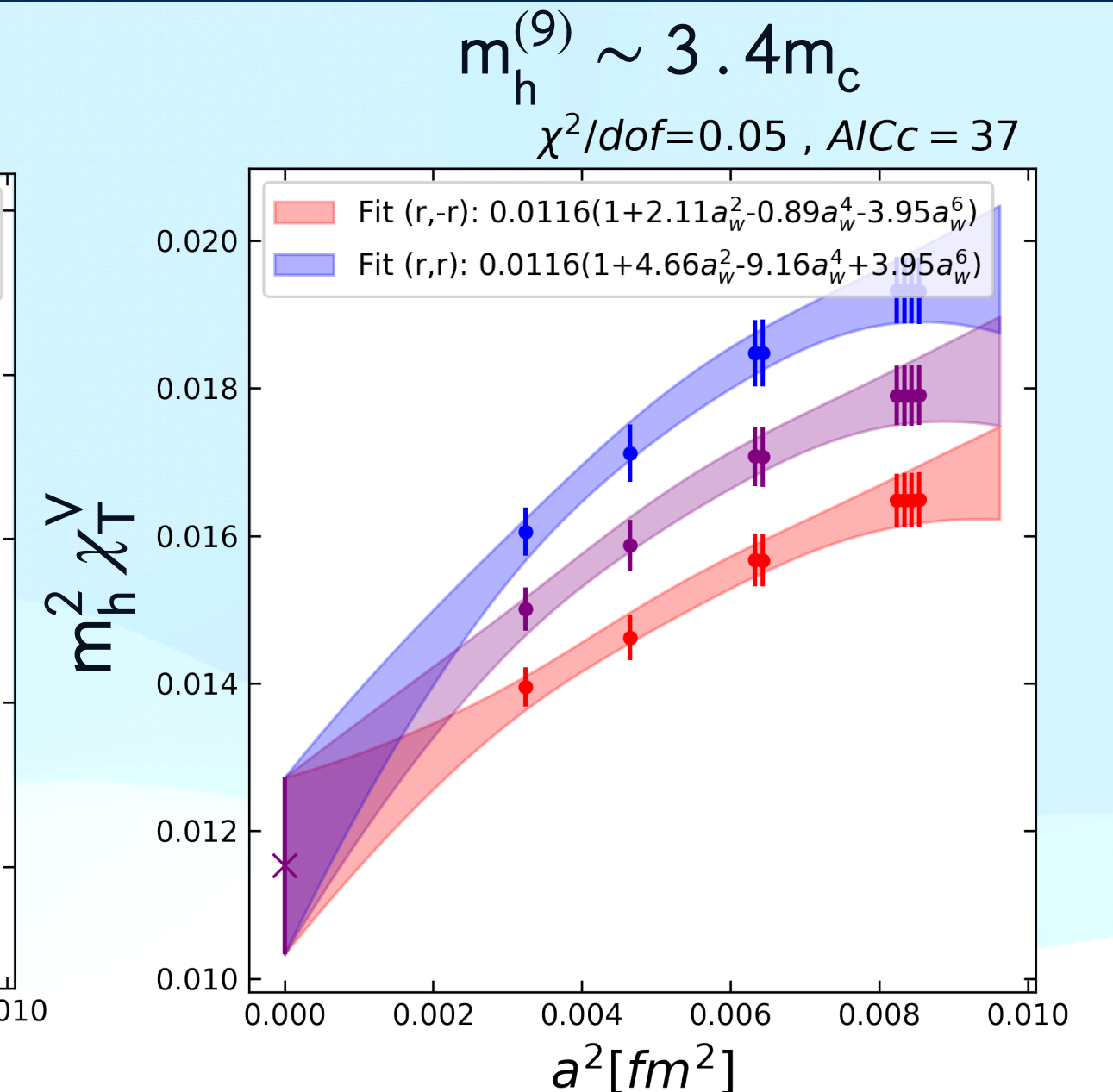
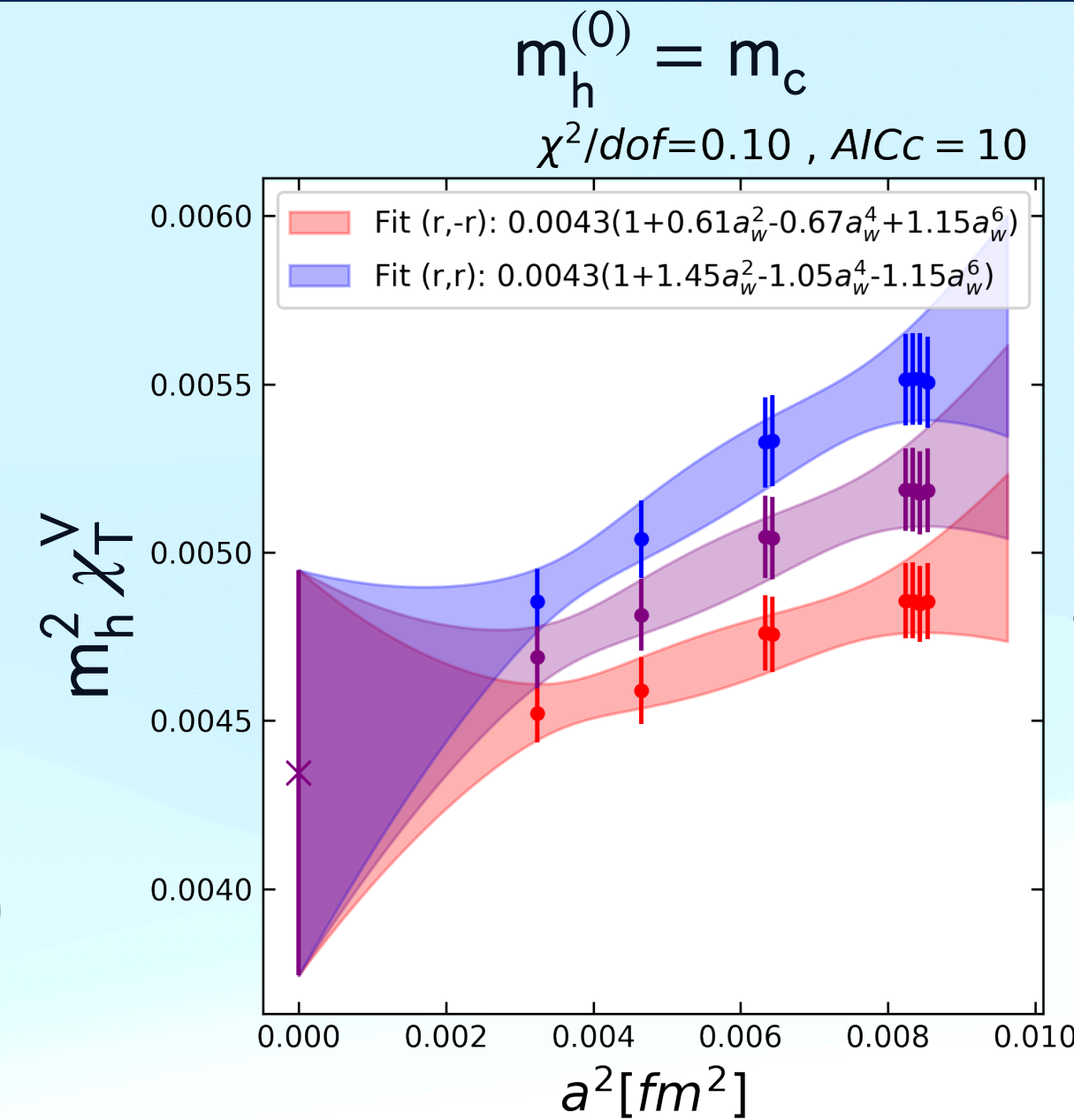
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Known static limit:

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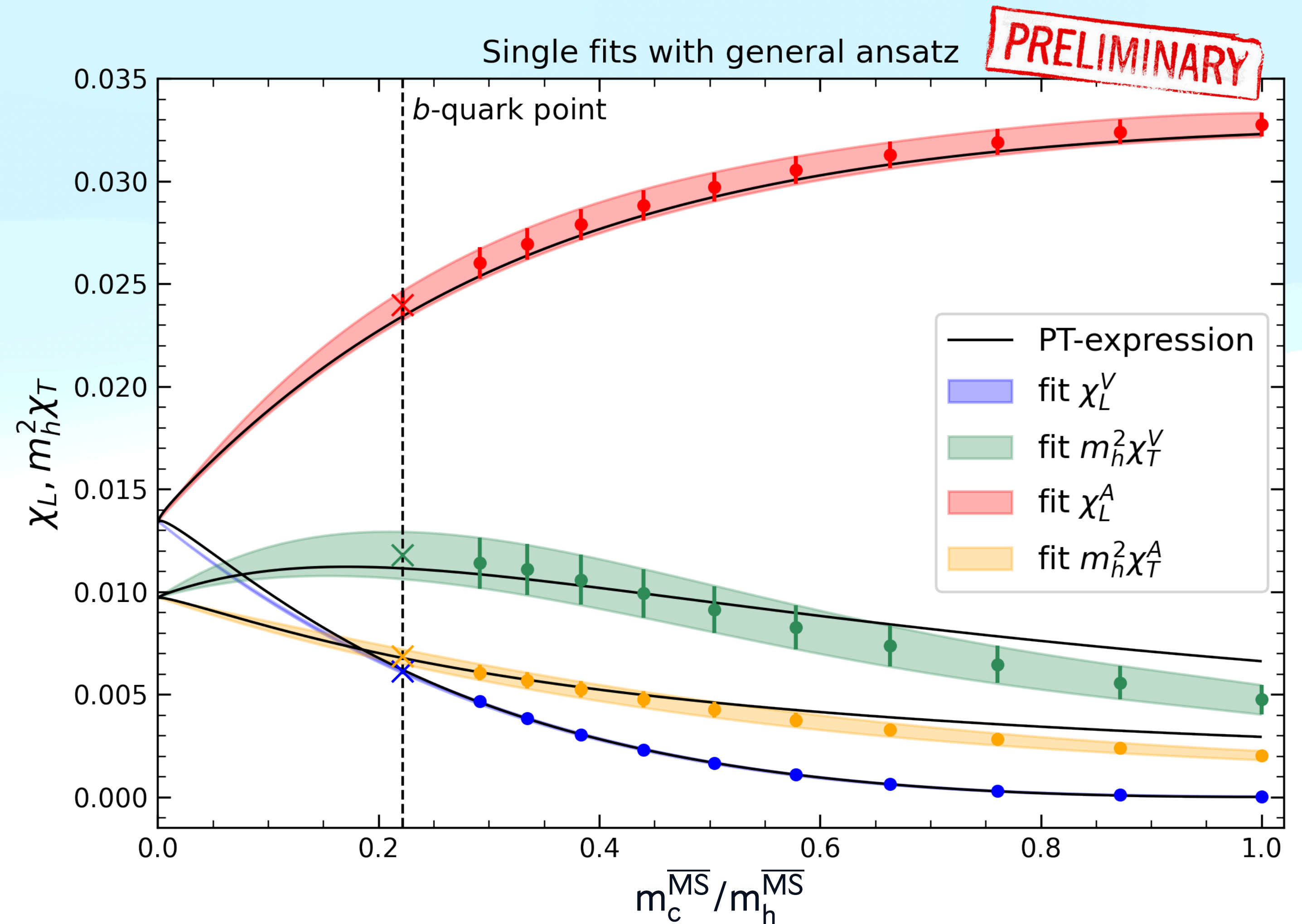
$$\lim_{m_h \rightarrow \infty} m_h^2 \chi_T^{V,A}(m_h) = \frac{3}{32\pi^2}$$

Fit ansatz imposing static limit:

$$\chi_L(m_h^{(n)}, m_c) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \left( 1 + B_1 \frac{m_c}{m_h} + B_2 \frac{m_c^2}{m_h^2} + B_3 \frac{m_c^3}{m_h^3} \right)$$

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Our Results:

$$\chi_L^V(m_b) = 6.243(45) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\chi_L^A(m_b) = 2.362(63) \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\chi_T^V(m_b) = 5.37(48) \times 10^{-4} [\text{GeV}^{-2}]$$

$$\chi_T^A(m_b) = 3.12(18) \times 10^{-4} [\text{GeV}^{-2}]$$

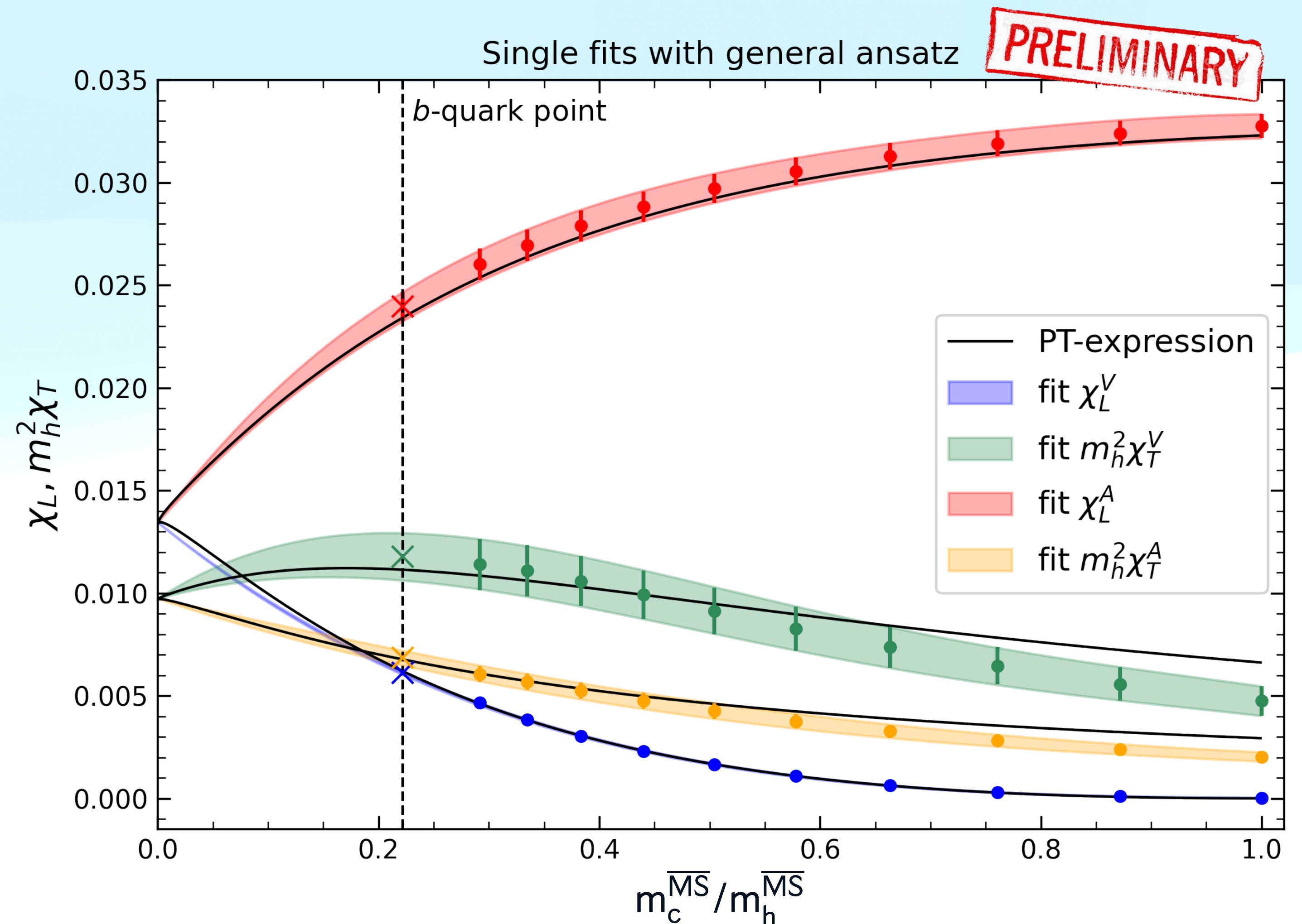
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# Conclusions

- Susceptibilities are important ingredients to constrain the form factors of  $b \rightarrow c$  transitions, which are important to clarify the tension in  $R_{D^{(*)}}$  and in the determination of  $|V_{cb}|$
- We have presented a non perturbative calculation of the Susceptibilities from  $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  ETM ensembles at physical point and at four lattice spacings.
- Results are well compatible with the perturbative expressions, encouraging results, but comparison with previous analysis only possible after results are final.

## To do list:

- Large discretisation effects, to improve robustness of the continuum limit, on going simulations of a 5<sup>th</sup> lattice spacing
- Perform a global fit of all the susceptibilities with a fit ansatz based on Operator Product Expansion to extract leading condensate term