

# Isospin-breaking and electromagnetic corrections to weak decays

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**Isospin Breaking Effects in Lattice QCD**

XXXI International Symposium on Lattice Field Theory  
Mainz, Germany  
30-07-2013

**N. Tantalo (2013)**

Isospin symmetry is not exact and the corrections to the isosymmetric limit are, in general, at the percent level. For gold plated quantities, such as pseudoscalar meson masses or the kaon leptonic and semileptonic decay rates, these effects are of the same order ...

**LATTICE 2016 Southampton**

**QED Corrections to Hadronic Observables**

Agostino Patella  
CERN & Plymouth University

**A. Patella (2016)**

When aiming at a percent precision in hadronic quantities calculated by means of lattice simulations, isospin breaking effects become relevant. These are of two kinds: up/down mass splitting and electromagnetic corrections. In order to properly account for the latter ...

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Lattice 2022, Bonn

**Matching QC+ED to Nature**

**N. Tantalo (2022)**

The first step in any QFT calculation of a phenomenological observable is the matching of the theory to Nature. The matching procedure fixes the parameters of the theory in terms of an equal number of external inputs that, if the theory is expected to reproduce ...

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# Outline of this talk

1. **Why** are isospin-breaking and QED corrections relevant?
2. **How** are these effects included in lattice calculations?
3. **Which** weak decays have been / are being / can be studied?

# 1. Why

Indirect searches of new physics using CKM matrix unitarity constraints

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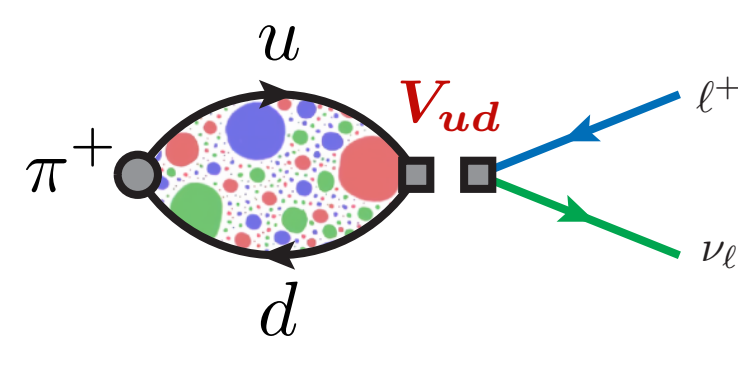
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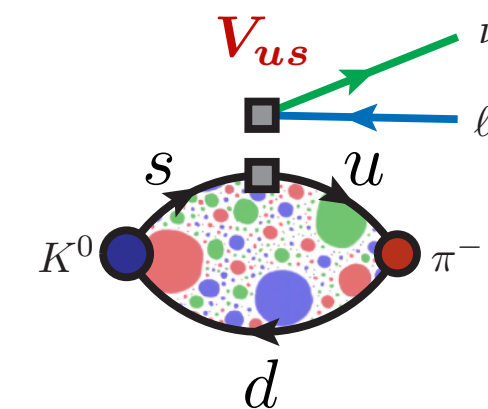
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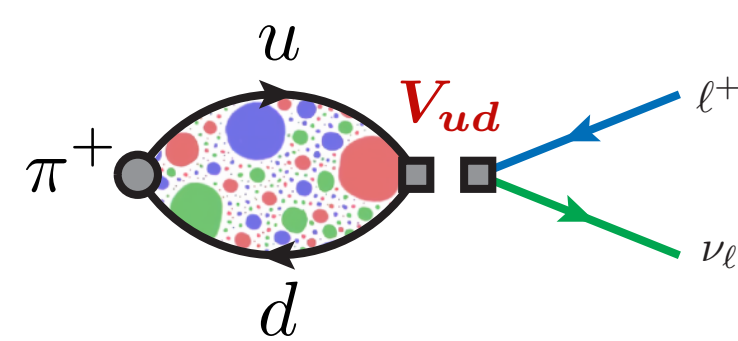
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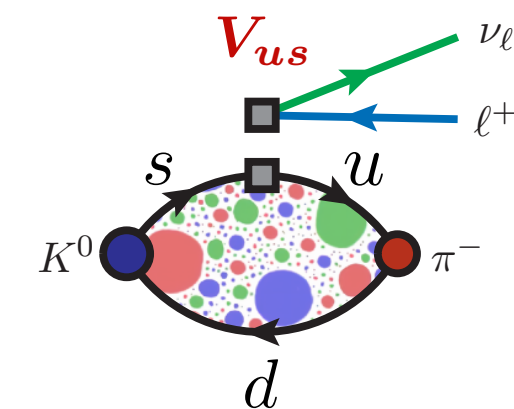
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Flavour Lattice Averaging Group 2021

$f_{K^\pm} / f_{\pi^\pm} = 1.1934 (19)$   
 $f_+^{K\pi}(0) = 0.9698 (17)$

**sub percent precision!**

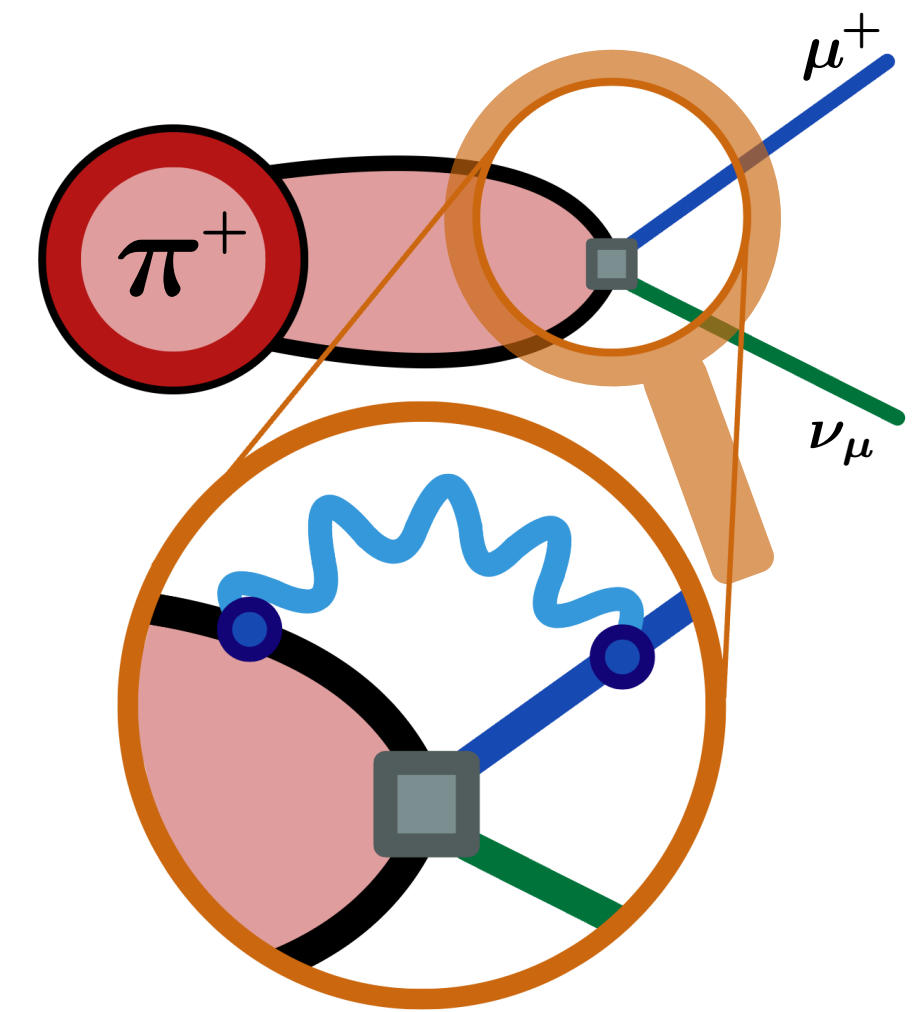
FLAG Review 2021. EPJC 82, 869 (2022)



# QED and isospin-breaking effects

Current level of precision requires the inclusion of isospin-breaking corrections due to

- strong effects  $[m_u - m_d]_{\text{QCD}} \neq 0$
  - electromagnetic effects  $\alpha \neq 0$
- $\sim \mathcal{O}(1\%)$

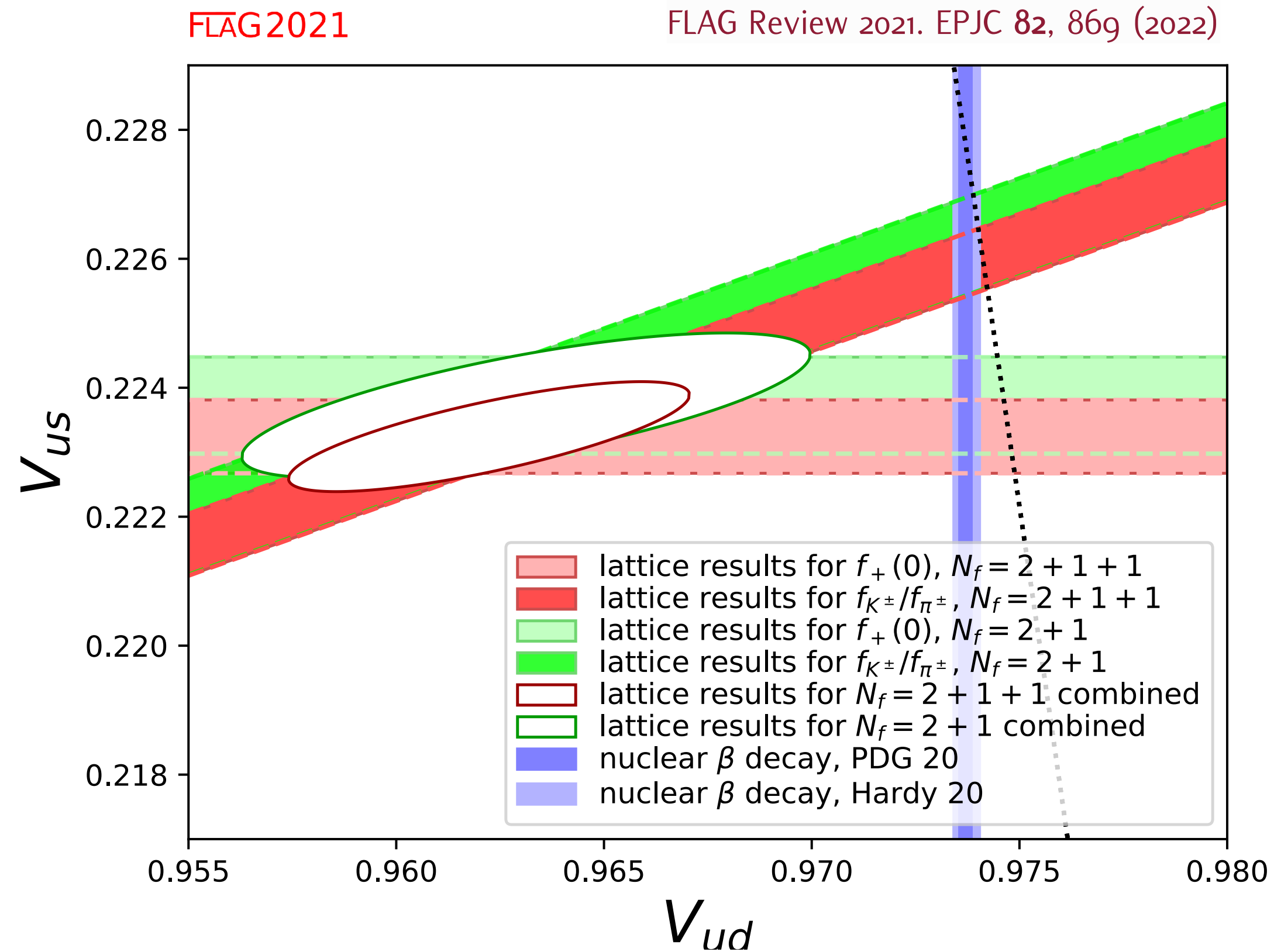


$$\frac{\Gamma(K \rightarrow l\nu_l)}{\Gamma(\pi \rightarrow l\nu_l)} \propto \frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} \left(\frac{f_K}{f_\pi}\right)^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi}) \quad \Gamma(K \rightarrow \pi l\nu_l) \propto |V_{us}|^2 |f_+^{K\pi}(0)|^2 (1 + \delta R_{K\pi}^l)$$

- ▶ results from  $\chi$ PT currently quoted in the PDG
- ▶ these are fully non-perturbative (structure dependent)
- ▶ first-principle lattice calculations are possible!

V.Cirigliano & H.Neufeld, PLB 700 (2011)

# Tests of the Standard Model



Different tensions in the  $V_{us}-V_{ud}$  plane:

$$|V_u|^2_{\text{red circle}} - 1 = 2.8\sigma$$

$$|V_u|^2_{\text{blue square, light red square}} - 1 = 5.6\sigma$$

$$|V_u|^2_{\text{blue square, red square}} - 1 = 3.3\sigma$$

$$|V_u|^2_{\text{light blue square, light red square}} - 1 = 3.1\sigma$$

$$|V_u|^2_{\text{light blue square, red square}} - 1 = 1.7\sigma$$

Experimental and theoretical control of these quantities is of crucial importance to solve the issue

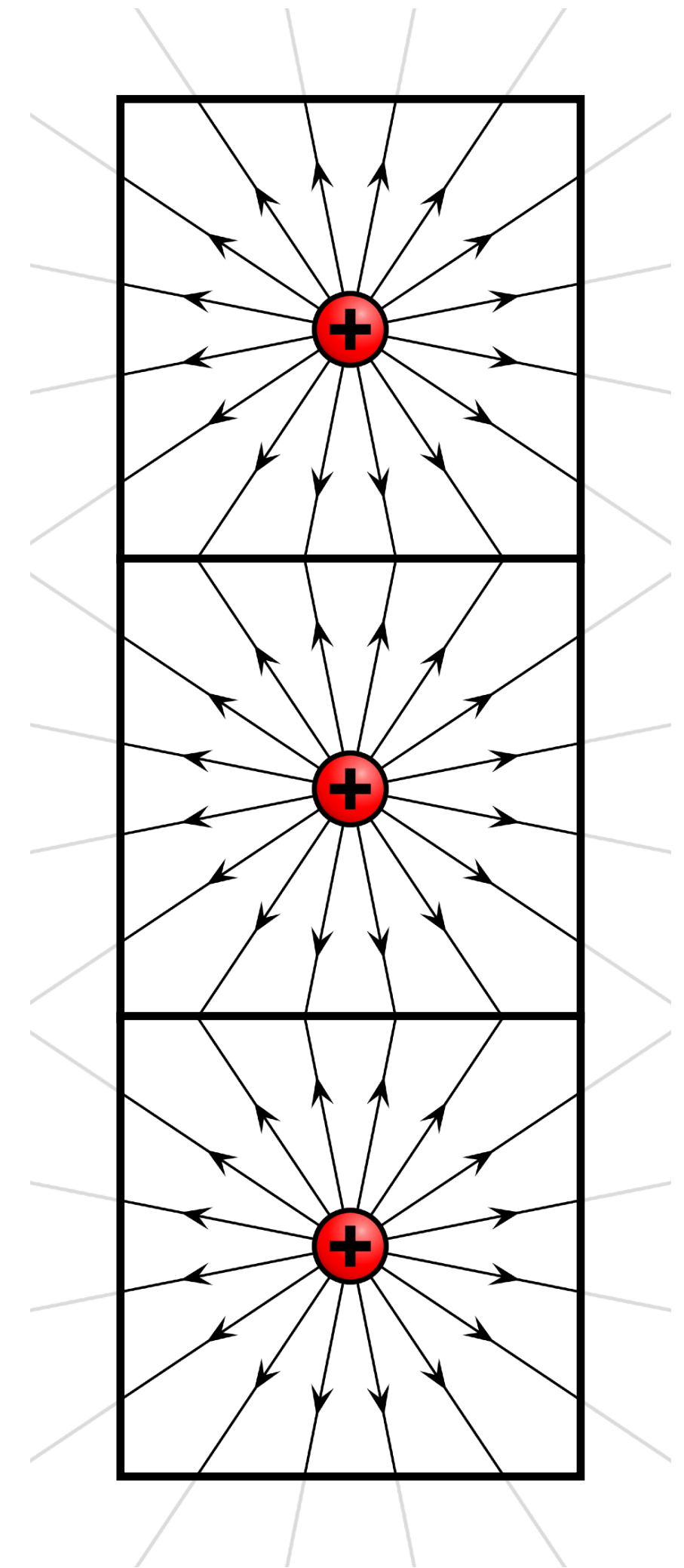
## 2. How

Computing QED corrections on a finite-sized lattice is challenging:

- ▶ long-range interactions don't like finite volumes with periodic boundary conditions
- ▶ finite-volume effects can be sizeable and power-like  
*M.Hayakawa & S.Uno, PTP 120 (2008) / Z.Davoudi & M.Savage, PRD 90 (2014) / S.Borsanyi et al., Science 347 (2015)*
- ▶ logarithmic infrared divergences arise in virtual/real decay rates  
*V.Lubicz et al., PRD 95 (2017)*

There are also recent proposals to compute radiative corrections as convolutions of hadronic correlators with infinite-volume QED kernels

*N.Asmussen et al., [1609.08454] / T.Blum et al., PRD 96 (2017) / X.Feng & L.Jin, PRD 100 (2019) / N.Christ et al., [2304.08026]*



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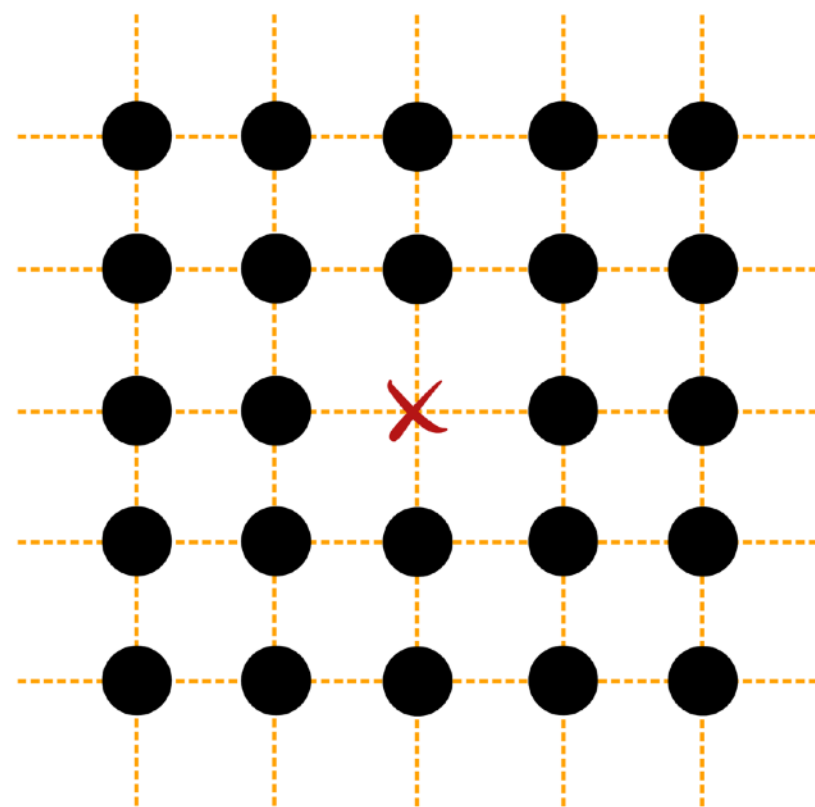
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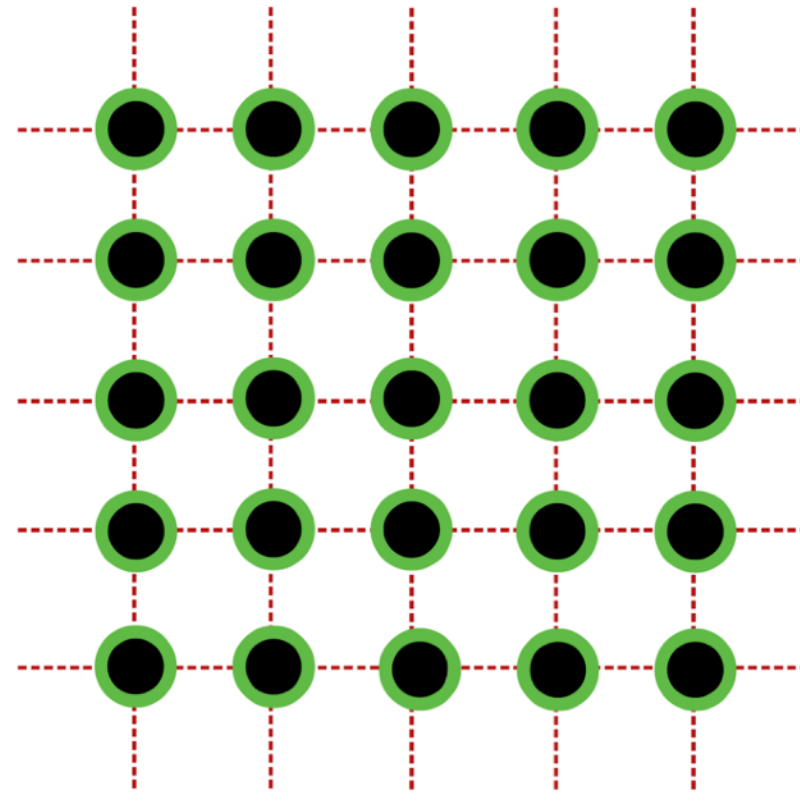


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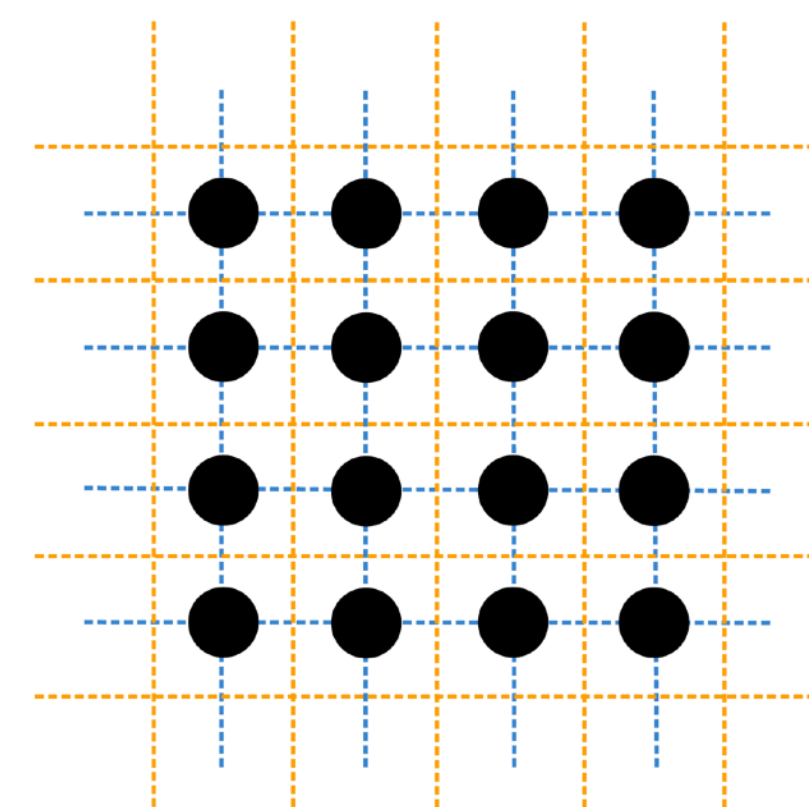


$$\Omega_4 = 2\pi\{\mathbb{Z}^3/L, \mathbb{Z}/T\}$$

use massive photon  $m_\gamma$

M.G.Endres et al., [1507.08916]

**QED<sub>C\*</sub>**

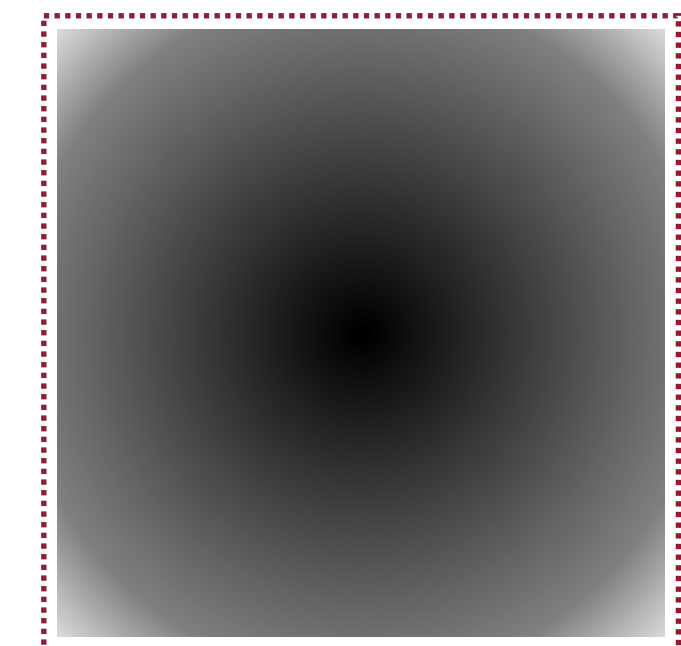


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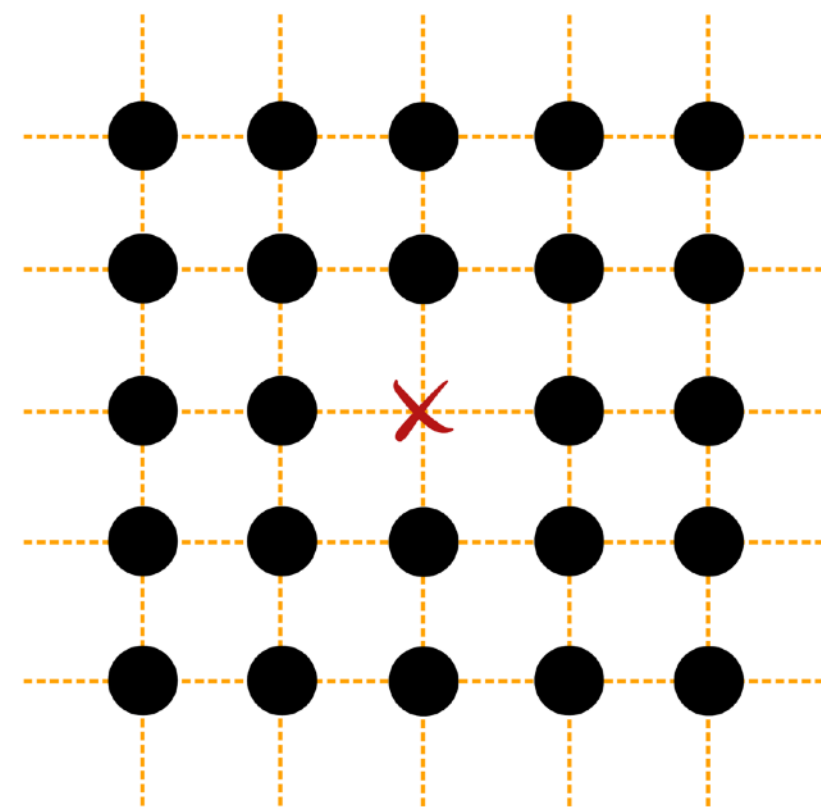
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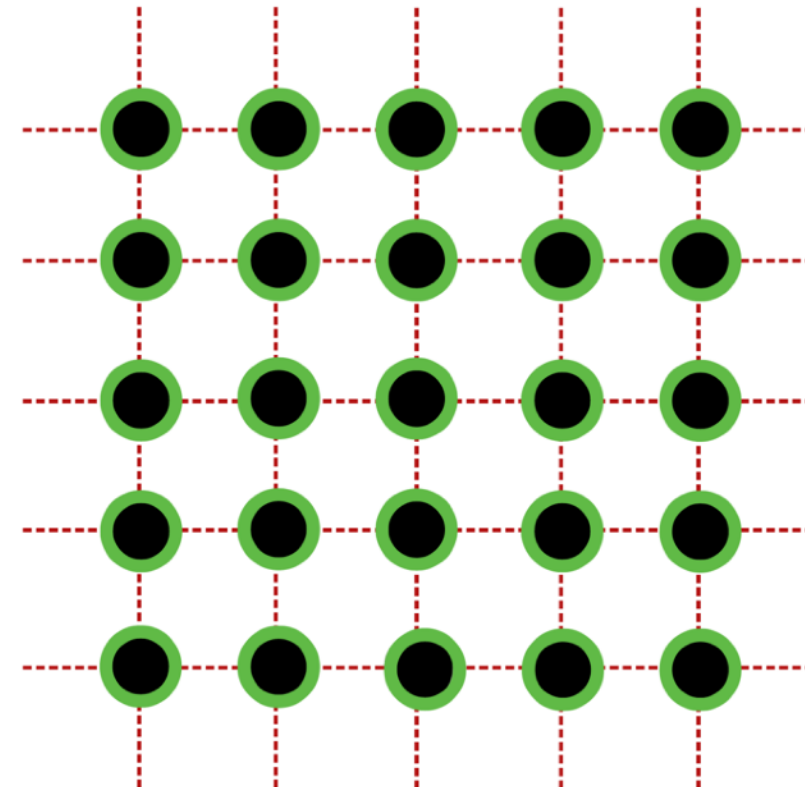


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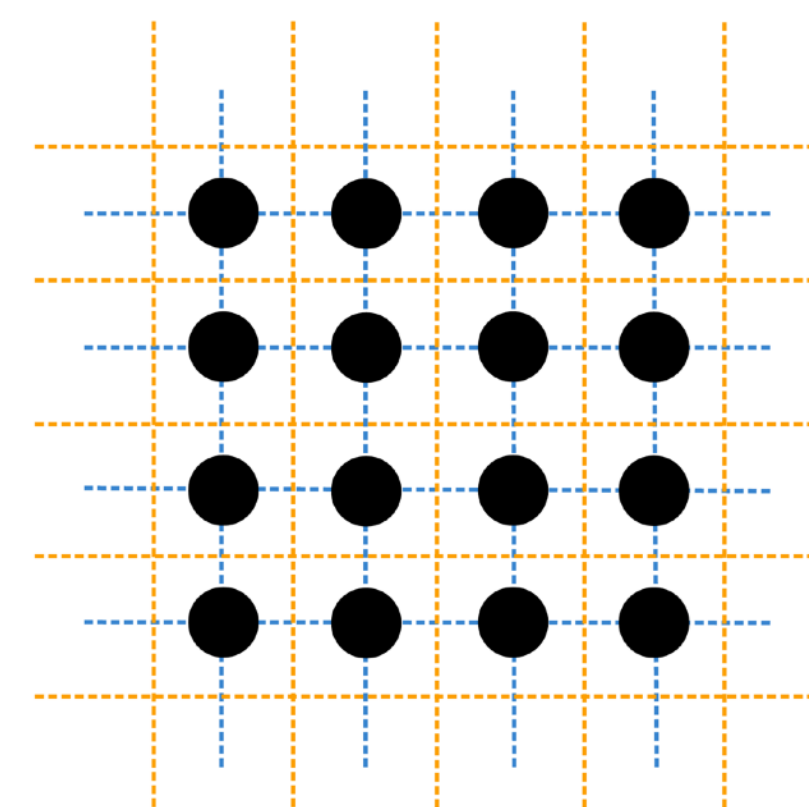


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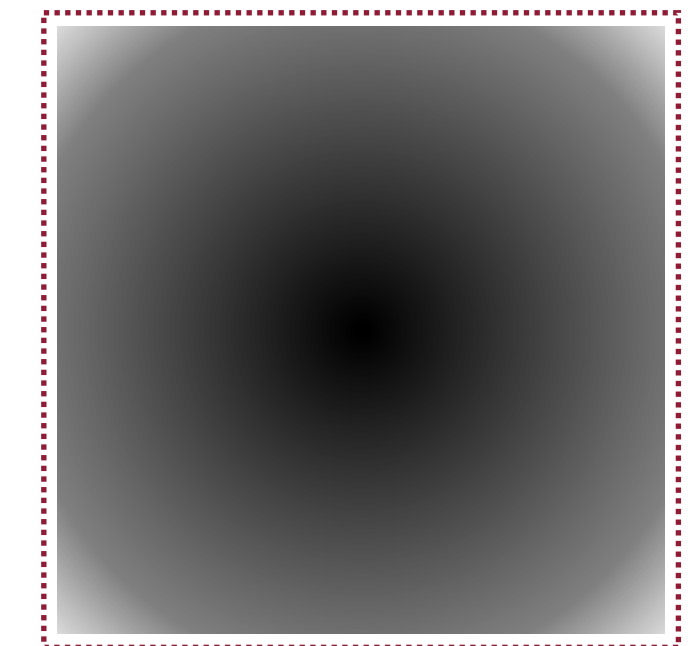


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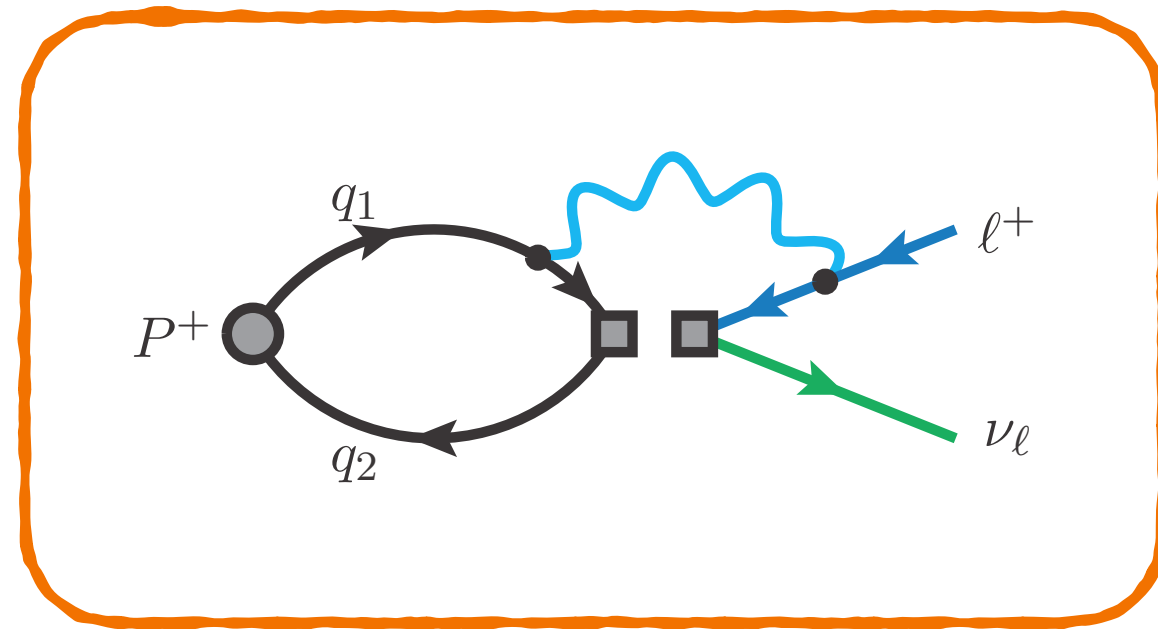
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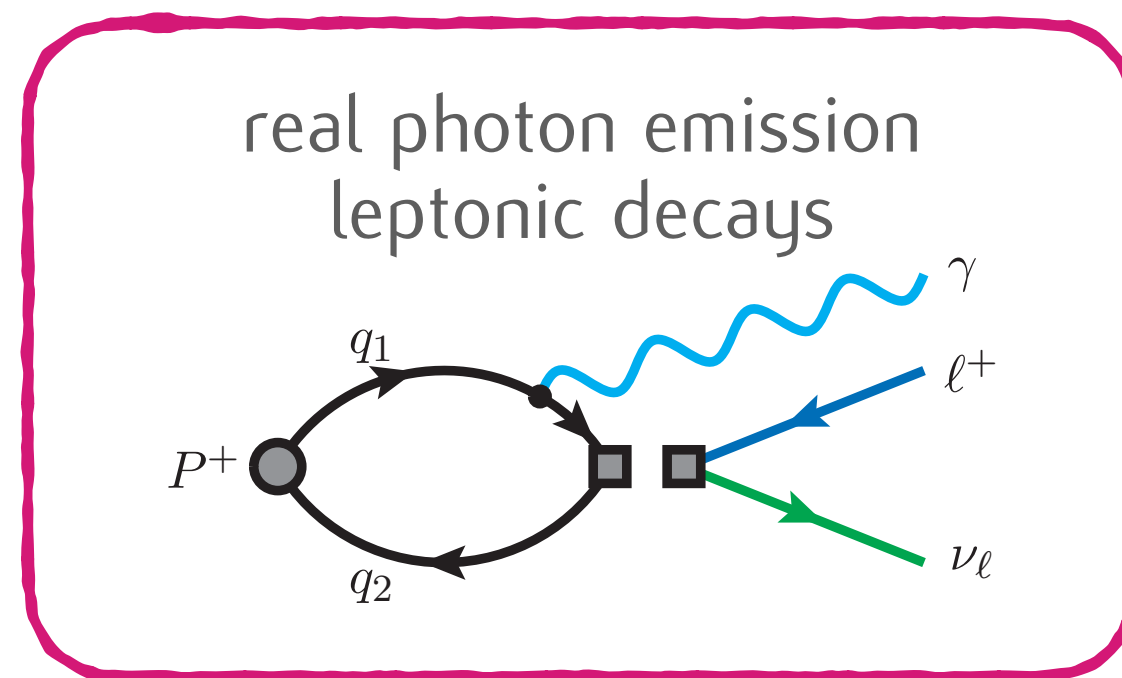
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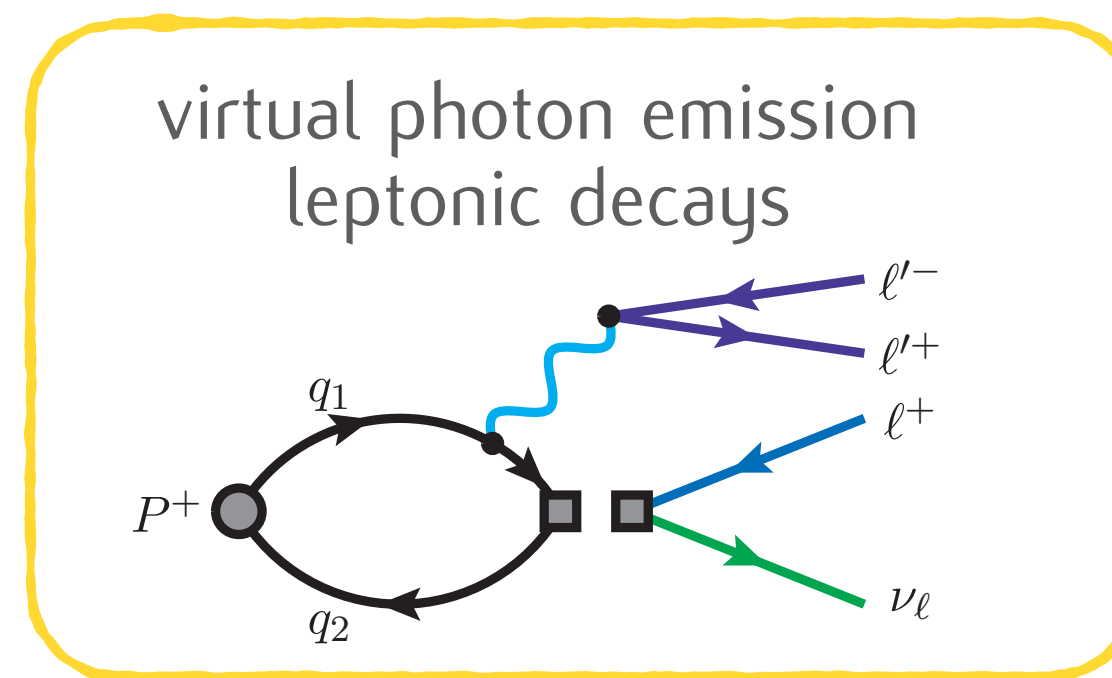
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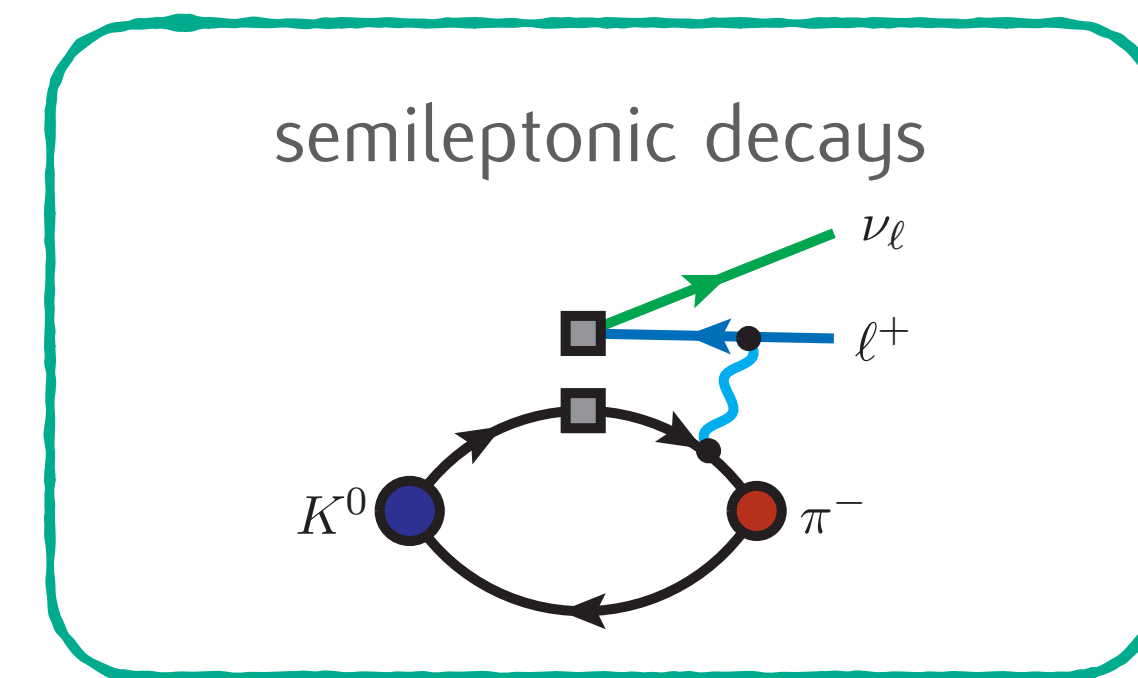
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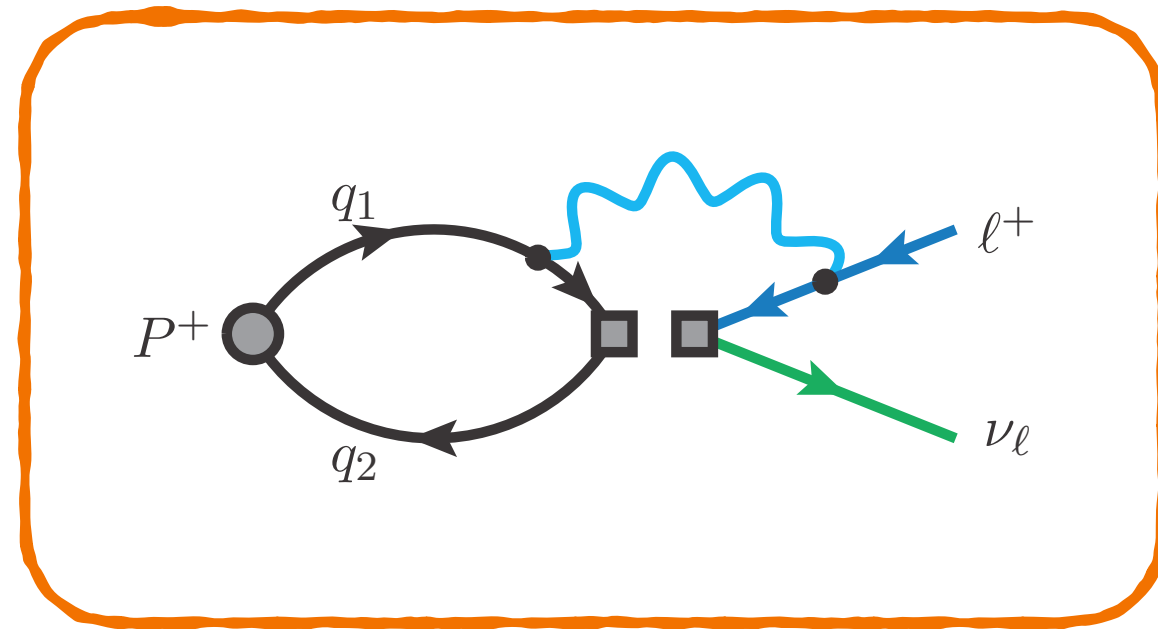
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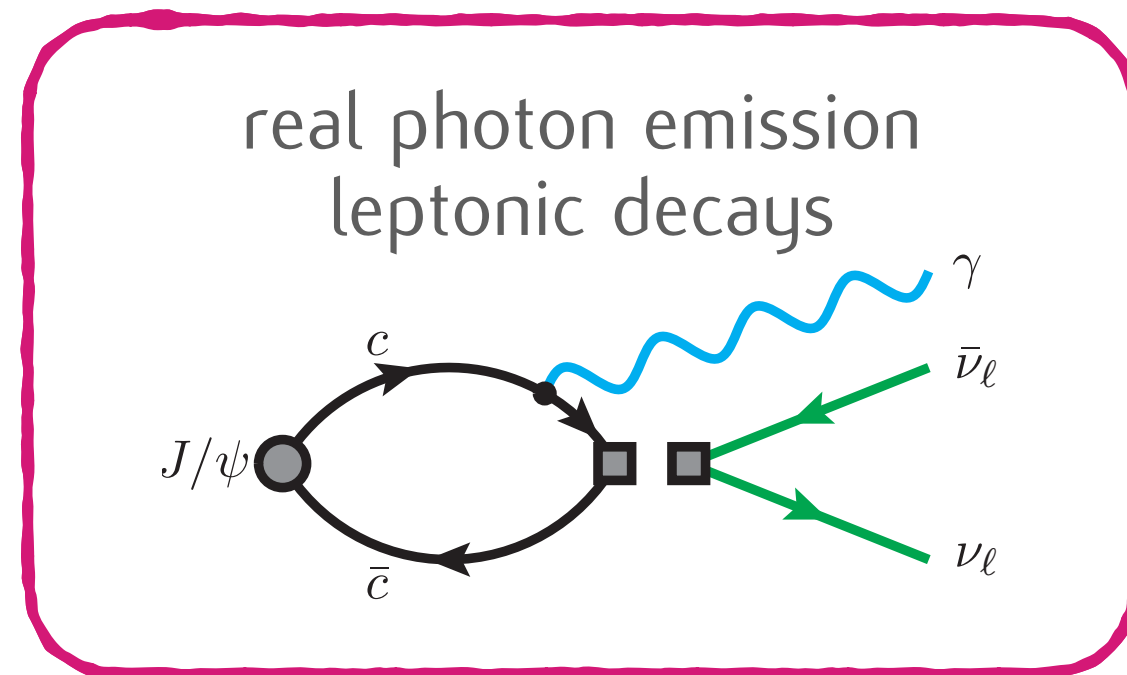
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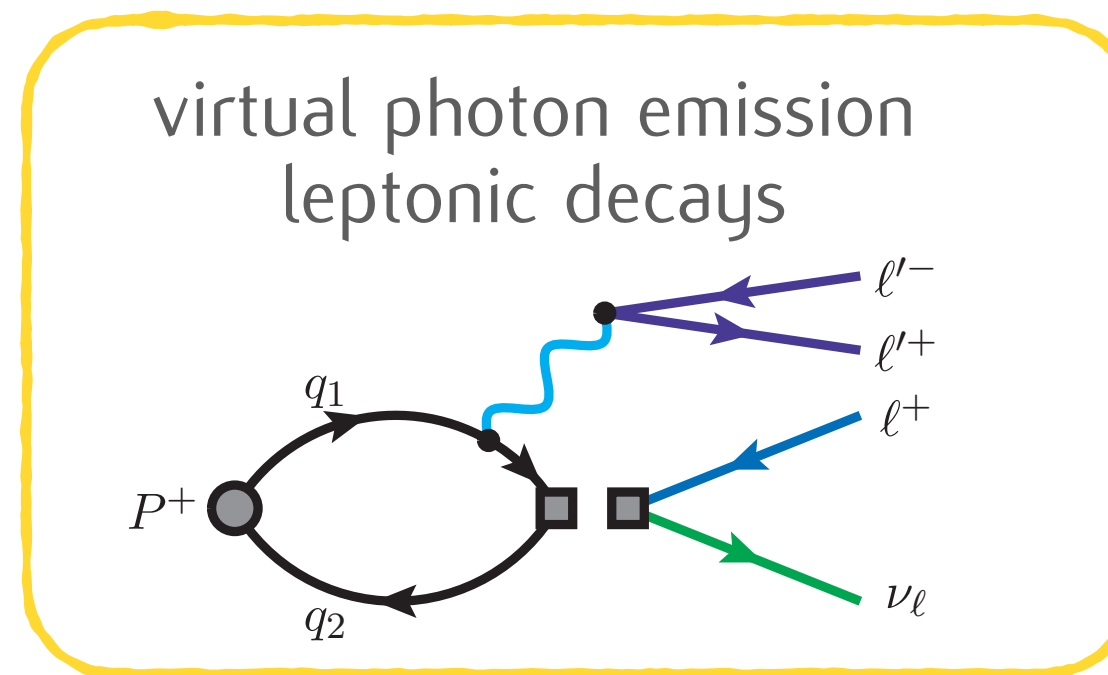
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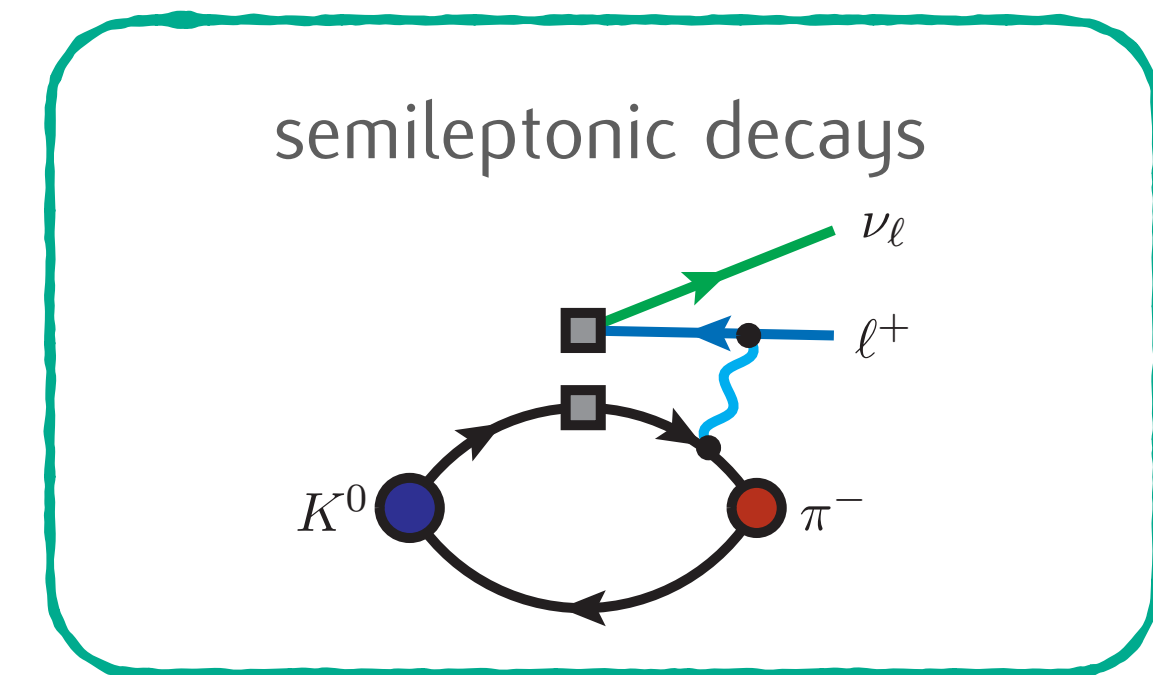
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- $\Gamma(K_{\mu 2})$  and  $\Gamma(\pi_{\mu 2})$  separately
- Twisted Mass fermions
- multiple volumes and 3 lattice spacings
- unphysical pion masses ( $\gtrsim 230$  MeV)

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Editors' Suggestion

### Light-meson leptonic decay rates in lattice QCD + QED

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## Isospin-breaking corrections to light-meson leptonic decays from lattice simulations at physical quark masses

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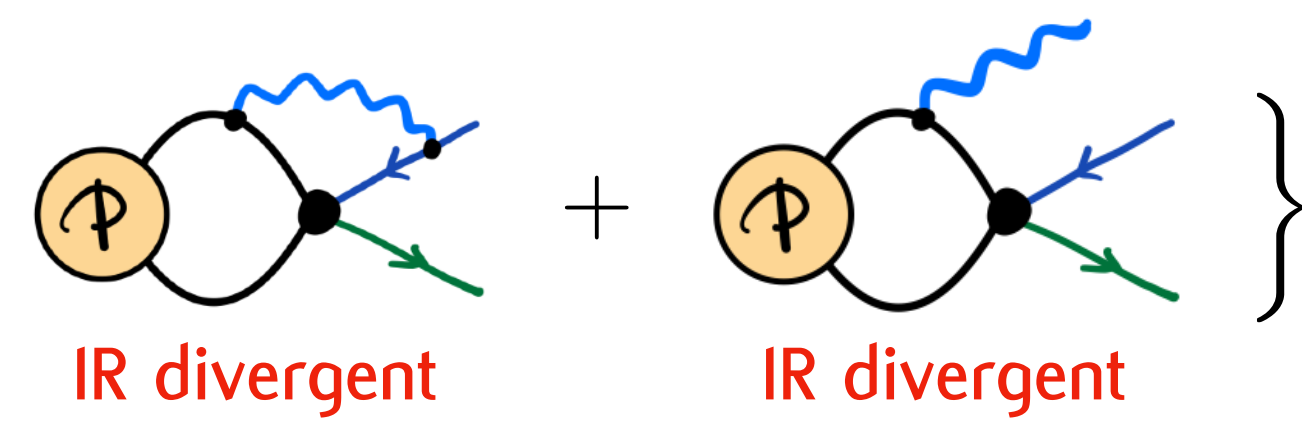


- ratio  $\Gamma(K_{\mu 2}) / \Gamma(\pi_{\mu 2})$
- Domain Wall fermions
- single volume and lattice spacing
- physical quark masses

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 + \lim_{\Lambda_{\text{IR}} \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \text{Diagram 5} - \text{Diagram 6} \right\}$$

The diagrams are Feynman diagrams for the decay rate  $\Gamma(P_{\ell 2})$ . Each diagram features a yellow circle labeled  $\mathcal{P}$  on the left. 
   
 - Diagram 1: A loop diagram with a blue wavy line and a green arrow.
   
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The equation defines the decay rate  $\Gamma(P_{\ell 2})$  as the sum of three terms:

- Term 1:**  $\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \text{on the lattice} \right\}$ . This term contains two diagrams: a lattice diagram with a fermion self-energy loop (black line) and a tree-level diagram with a fermion propagator (black line).
- Term 2:**  $\lim_{m_\gamma \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \text{in perturbation theory} \right\}$ . This term contains two tree-level diagrams: one with a fermion propagator (black line) and one with a photon propagator (blue wavy line).
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enough for  $K_{\mu 2}$  and  $\pi_{\mu 2}$

finite-volume scaling well studied

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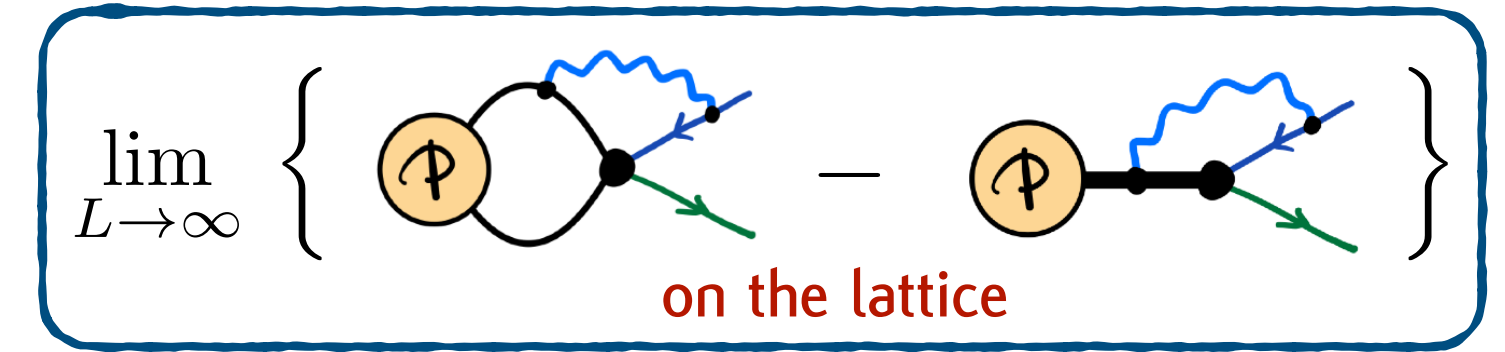
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Virtual decay rate



$$\Gamma(P_{\ell 2}) = \Gamma_P^{\text{tree}} (1 + \delta R_P) \quad \blacktriangleright \quad \Gamma_P^{\text{tree}} = \frac{G_F^2}{8\pi} m_\ell^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_P^2}\right)^2 m_P [f_{P,0}]^2 \quad \blacktriangleright \quad \delta R_P = 2 \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{A}_P}{\mathcal{A}_{P,0}} - \frac{\delta m_P}{m_{P,0}} + \frac{\delta \mathcal{Z}}{\mathcal{Z}_0} \right)$$

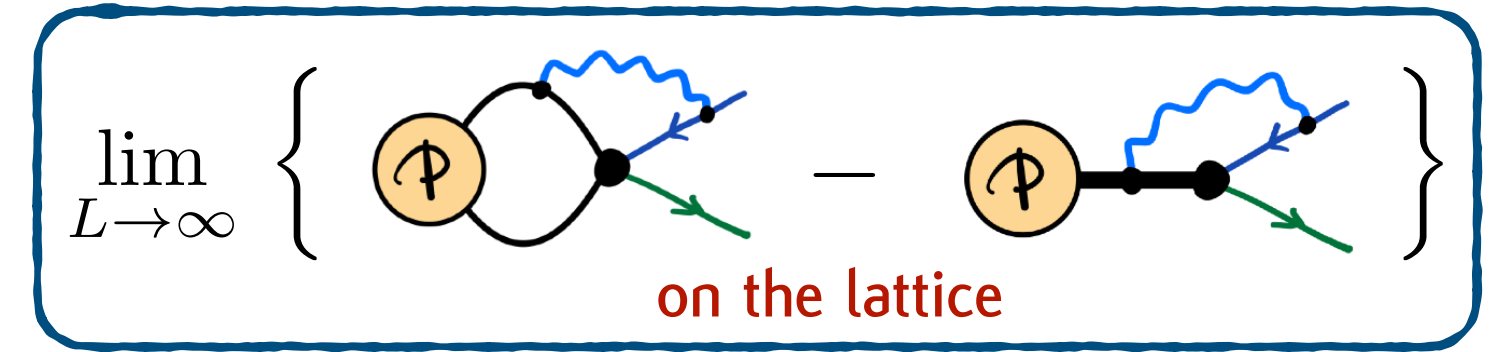
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MDC et al., PRD 100 (2019) / MDC @Lattice2019

# Decay rate at $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$

Virtual decay rate



$$\Gamma(P_{\ell 2}) = \Gamma_P^{\text{tree}} (1 + \delta R_P) \quad \blacktriangleright \quad \Gamma_P^{\text{tree}} = \frac{G_F^2 m_\ell^2}{8\pi} \left(1 - \frac{m_\ell^2}{m_P^2}\right)^2 m_P [f_{P,0}]^2 \quad \blacktriangleright \quad \delta R_P = 2 \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{A}_P}{\mathcal{A}_{P,0}} - \frac{\delta m_P}{m_{P,0}} + \frac{\delta \mathcal{Z}}{\mathcal{Z}_0} \right)$$

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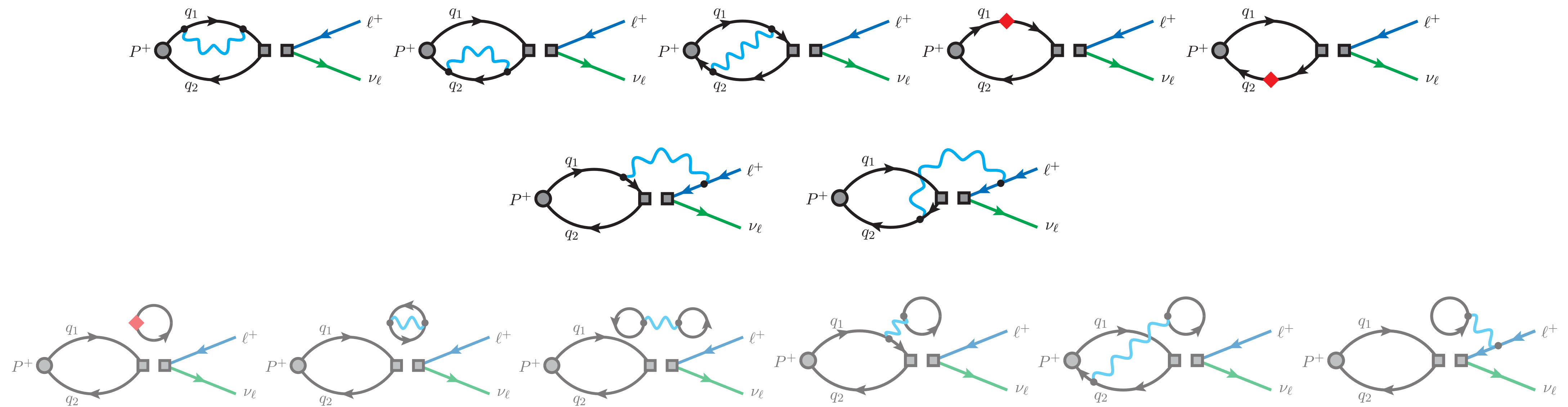
$$\frac{\Gamma(K_{\ell 2})}{\Gamma(\pi_{\ell 2})} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \delta R_{K\pi} = 2 \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{A}_K}{\mathcal{A}_{K,0}} - \frac{\delta m_K}{m_{K,0}} \right) - 2 \left( \frac{\delta \mathcal{A}_\pi}{\mathcal{A}_{\pi,0}} - \frac{\delta m_\pi}{m_{\pi,0}} \right)$$



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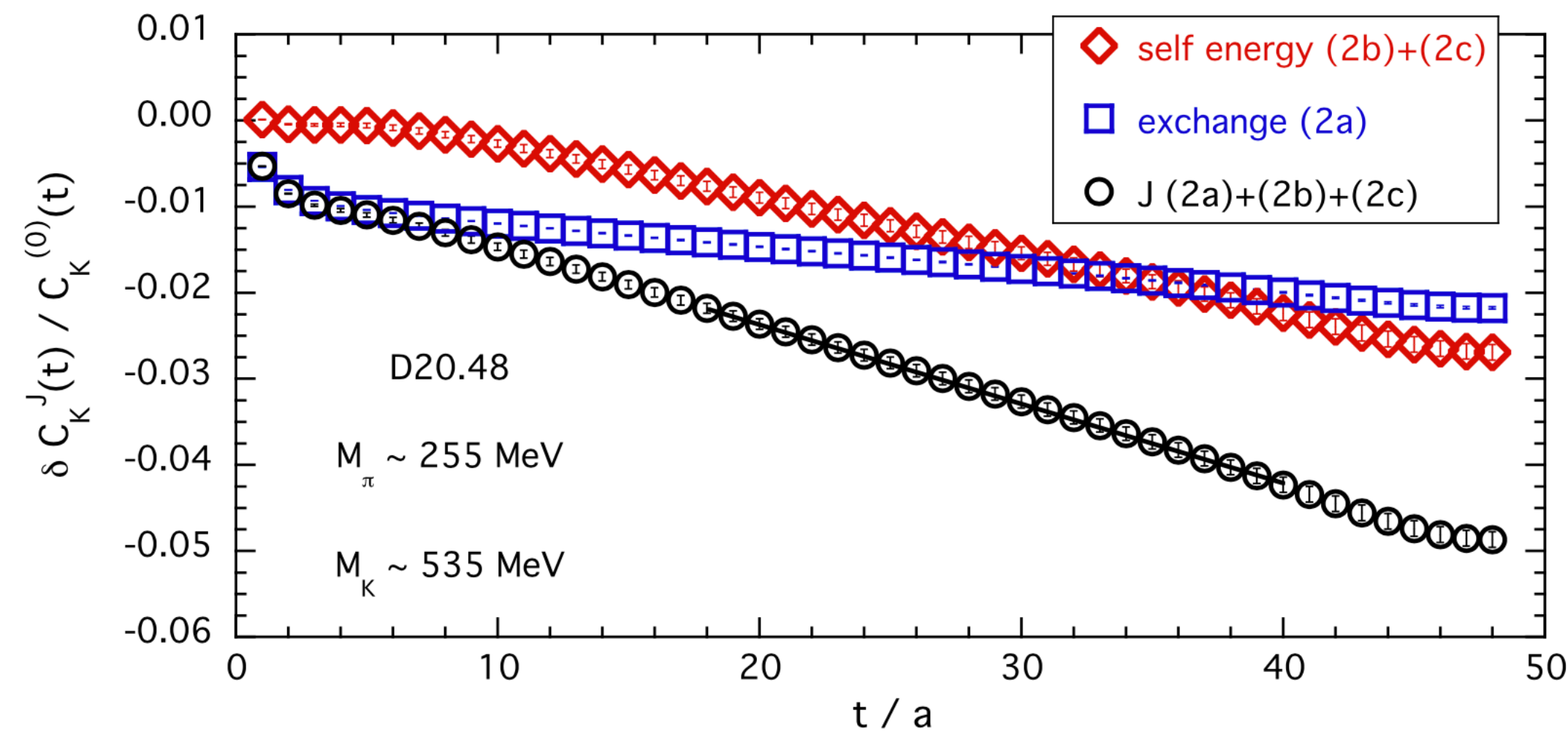
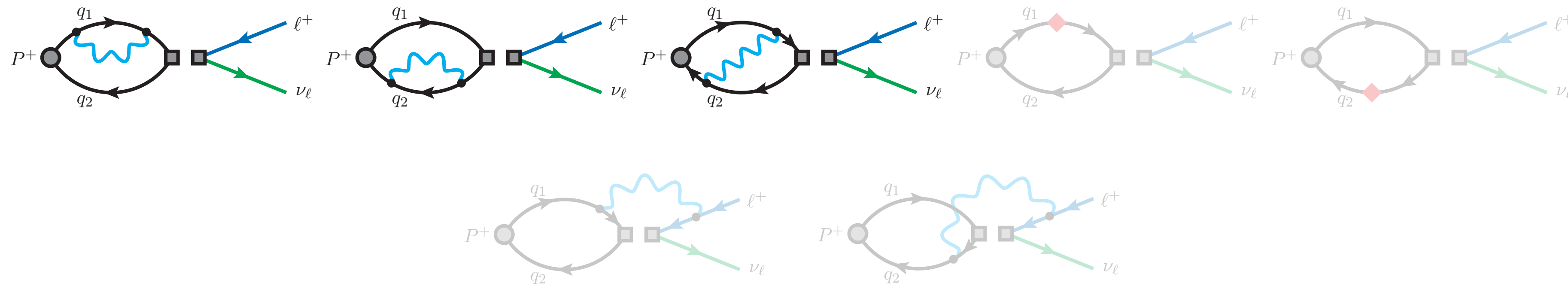


Both RM123S and RBC-UKQCD calculations are performed in the electro-quenched approximation:  
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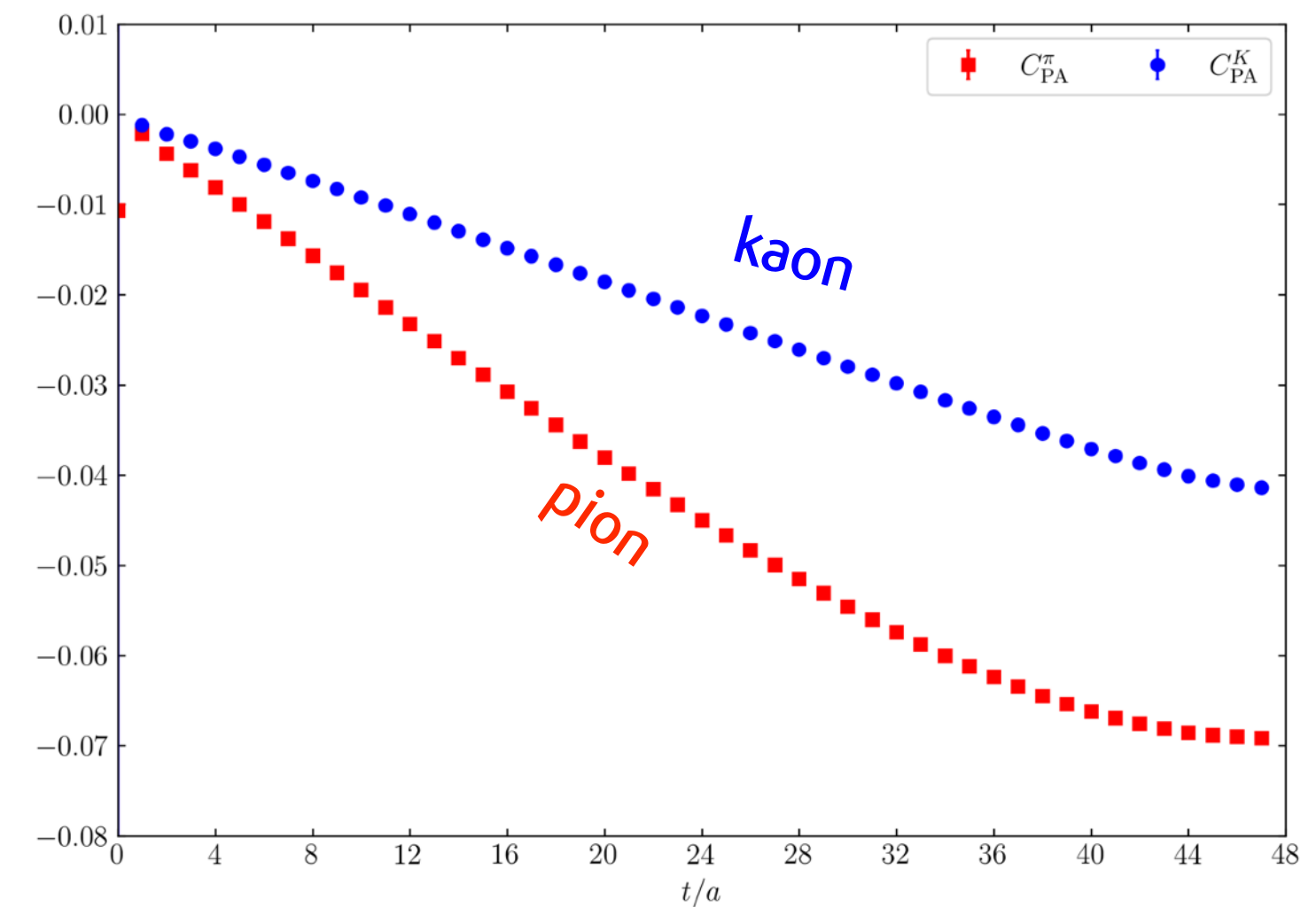
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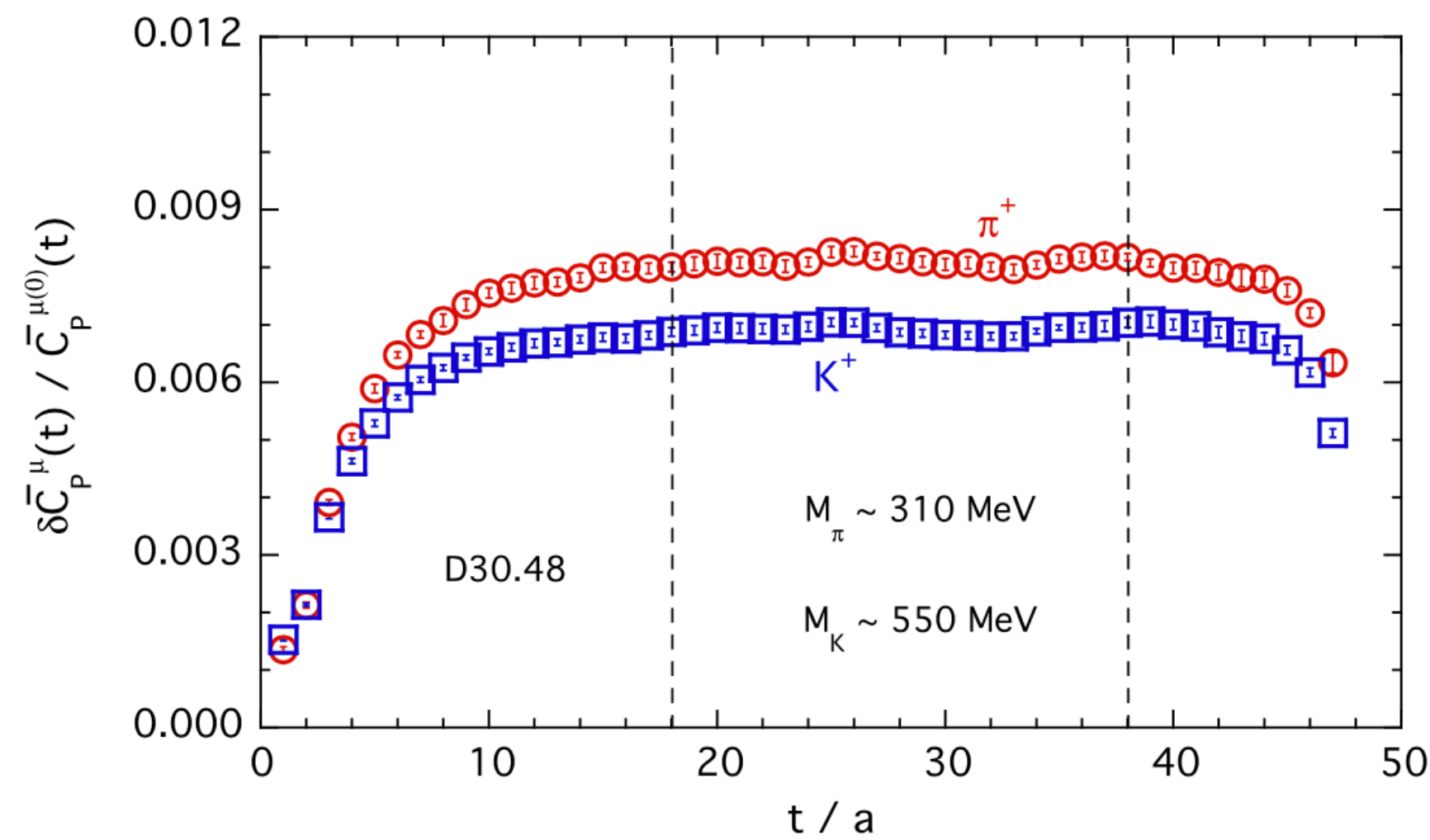
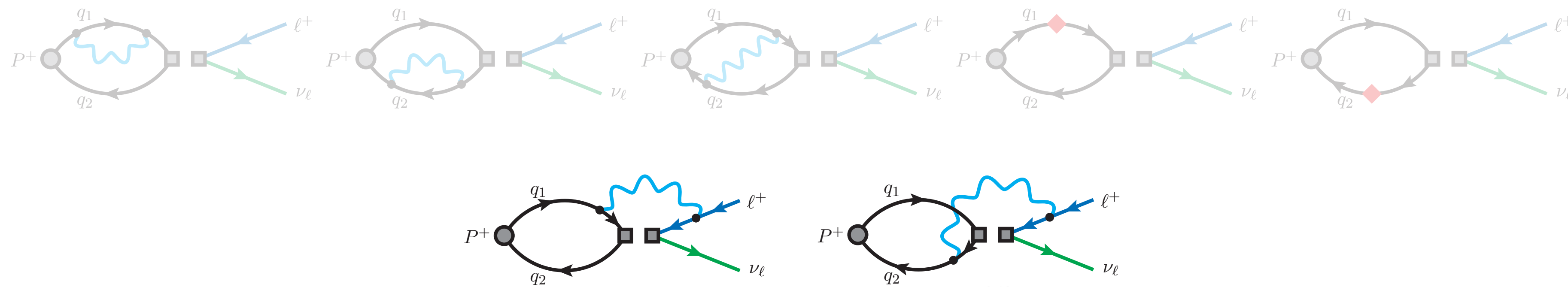


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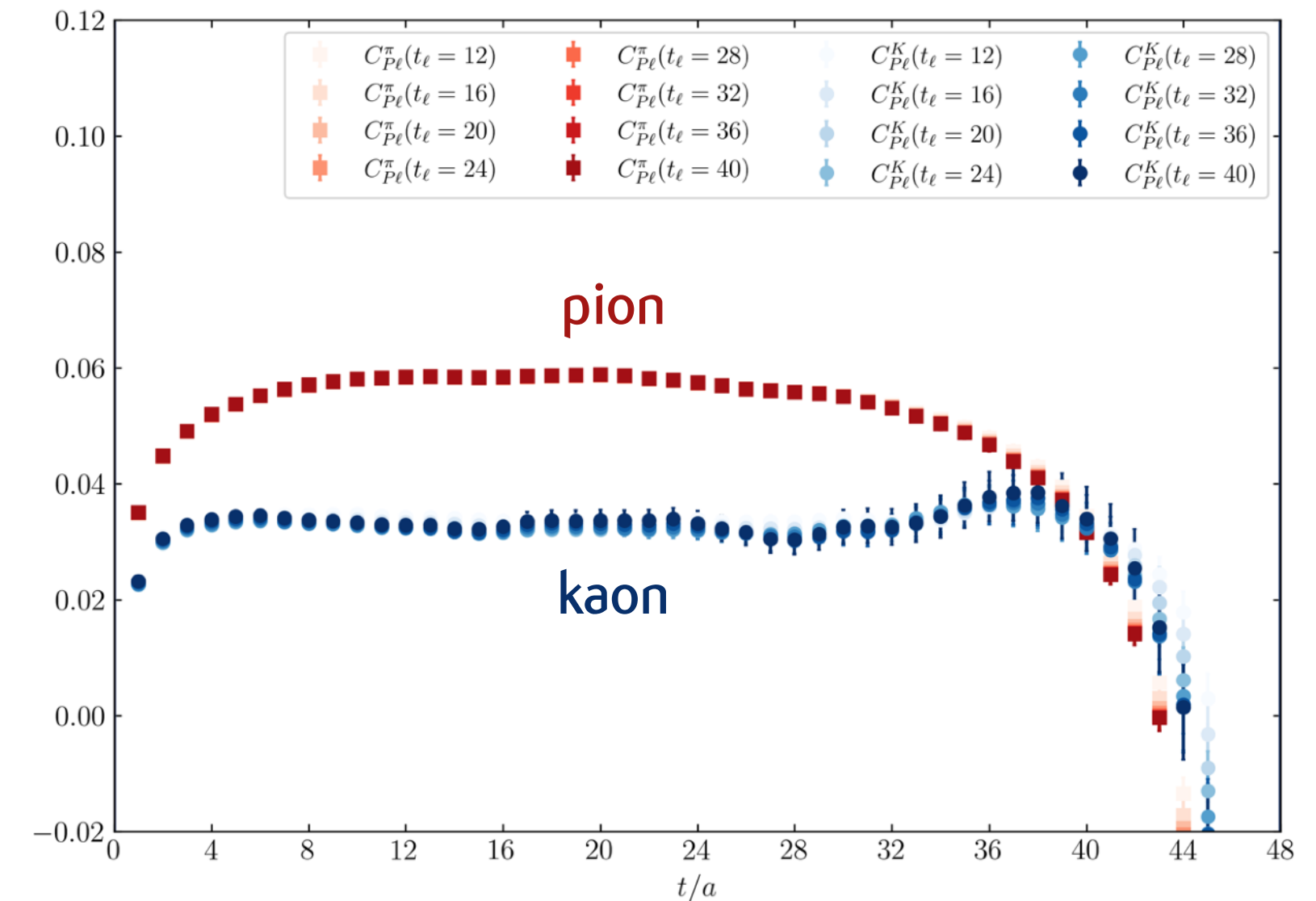
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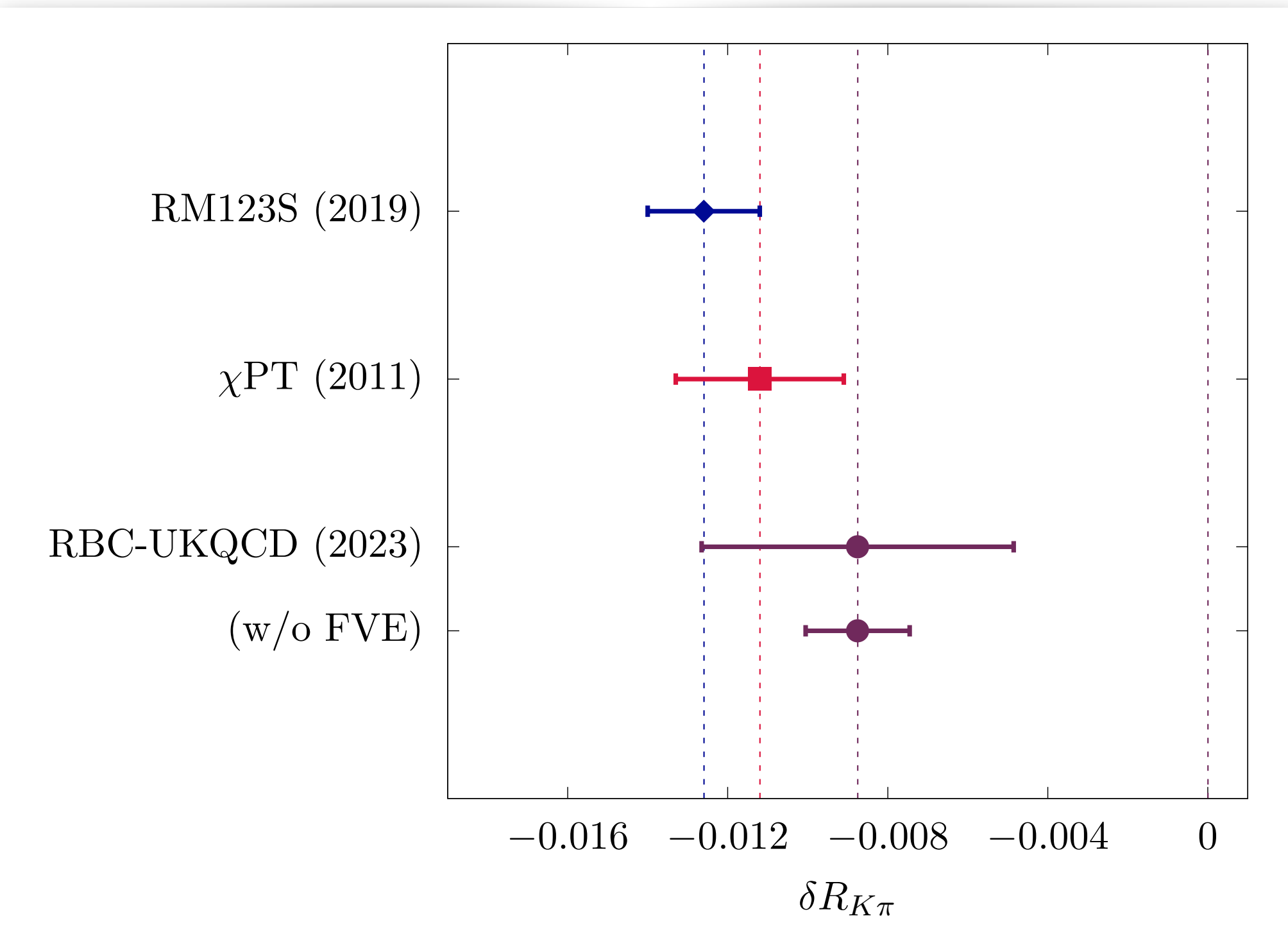
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# Results for $\delta R_{K\pi}$

V. Cirigliano et al., PLB 700 (2011)  
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P.Boyle, MDC et al., JHEP 02 (2023)



## RBC-UKQCD:

$$\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0086 (3)_{\text{stat.}} \left( \begin{smallmatrix} +11 \\ -4 \end{smallmatrix} \right)_{\text{fit}} (5)_{\text{disc.}} (5)_{\text{quench.}} (39)_{\text{vol.}}$$

$$\text{RM123S: } \delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0126 (14) \quad \chi\text{PT: } \delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0112 (21)$$

- Our recent result is **compatible** with previous lattice calculation (RM123S) and with  $\chi$ PT
- The error is dominated by a large systematic uncertainty related to **finite-volume effects**

**Solid evidence that  $\delta R_{K\pi}$  can be computed from first principles non-perturbatively on the lattice!**



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- sizeable pointlike contribution at  $O(1/L^3)$  ✓
- higher order effects ✗

N.Hermansson-Truedsson (Friday 4, h 9.20) 📅



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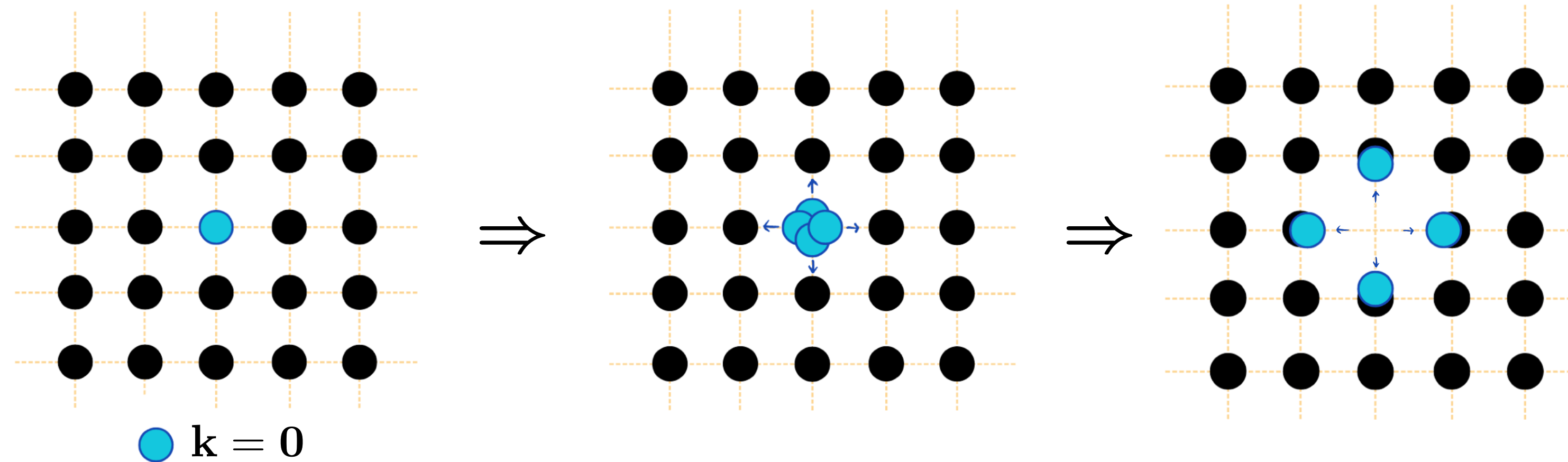
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... can we formulate QED on a finite-volume  
without corrections at  $\mathcal{O}(1/L^3)$  ?

# A new idea under investigation

Z.Davoudi et al., PRD 99 (2019)

Special case of IR-improvement



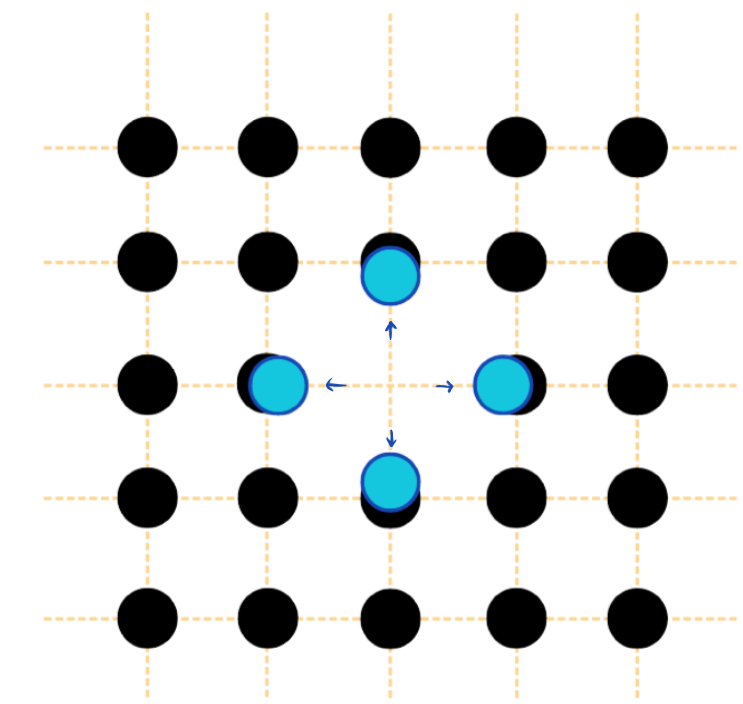
The spatial zero mode is not removed but redistributed over the neighbouring modes on a shell of radius  $|\mathbf{p}| = \frac{2\pi}{L} |\mathbf{r}|$  ( $\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{Z}^3$ )

$$\text{QED}_L: D_L^{\mu\nu}(k_0, \mathbf{k}) = \delta^{\mu\nu} \frac{1 - \delta_{\mathbf{k},0}}{k_0^2 + \mathbf{k}^2} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{QED}_r: D_{\mathbf{p}}^{\mu\nu}(k_0, \mathbf{k}) = \delta^{\mu\nu} \frac{1 - \delta_{\mathbf{k},0}}{k_0^2 + \mathbf{k}^2} + \frac{\delta_{\mathbf{k}^2, \mathbf{p}^2}}{n(\mathbf{p}^2)} \frac{\delta^{\mu\nu}}{k_0^2 + \mathbf{p}^2}$$

# Finite-volume effects in QED<sub>r</sub>

## Zero net velocity

1. In systems with **zero net velocity**, the corrections at  $O(1/L^3)$  due to the removal of the zero mode are absent!



## Hadron masses:

$$\Delta m^2(L)|_{\text{QED}_r} = \underbrace{\left[ \frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0} - \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right] \frac{M^{\mu\mu}(-|\mathbf{k}|, \mathbf{k})}{2|\mathbf{k}|}}_{\text{QED}_L} + \frac{1}{L^3} \frac{M^{\mu\mu}(-|\mathbf{p}|, \mathbf{p})}{2|\mathbf{p}|} \quad |\mathbf{p}| = \frac{2\pi}{L} |\mathbf{r}| \quad (\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{Z}^3)$$

$$= \dots + \frac{\mathcal{M}'(0)}{2L^3} \left\{ \underbrace{\left[ \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq 0} - \int d^3 \mathbf{n} \right] 1}_{\text{QED}_L} + 1 \right\} = \dots + \frac{\mathcal{M}'(0)}{2L^3} \{ -1 + 1 \} = \dots + 0$$

notation from  
B.Lucini et al., JHEP 02 (2016)

The redistributed modes "reproduce" the zero mode in the  $\infty$ -volume limit!



# Finite-volume effects in QED<sub>r</sub>

## Non-zero net velocity

2. For systems with **non-zero velocity**, the cancellation of  $O(1/L^3)$  is less straightforward.

In the case of **leptonic decay rates**, the coefficient at  $O(1/L^3)$  can depend on **lepton velocity  $\mathbf{v}$** :

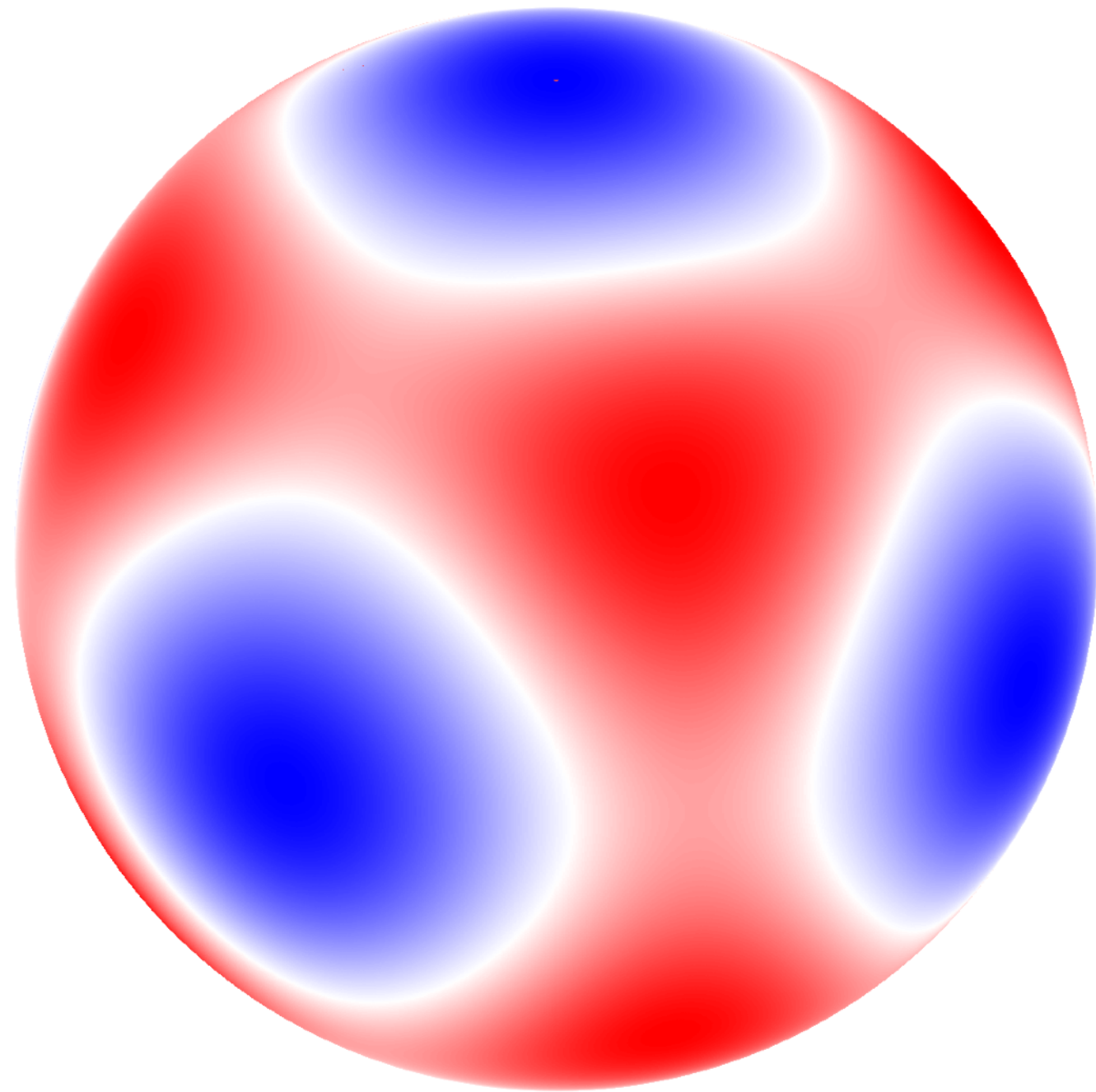
$$\text{QED}_r: \quad \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}) = \left[ \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq \mathbf{0}} - \int d^3 \mathbf{n} \right] \frac{1}{1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}} + \frac{1}{6} \sum_{|\mathbf{r}|^2=1} \frac{1}{1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}} \quad |\mathbf{v}| = \frac{m^2 - m_\ell^2}{m^2 + m_\ell^2}$$

- Collinear divergent terms as  $|\mathbf{v}| \rightarrow 1$  and  $\mathbf{v} \parallel \mathbf{k}$
- Dependence on the direction  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}$  due to rotational symmetry breaking in a finite volume

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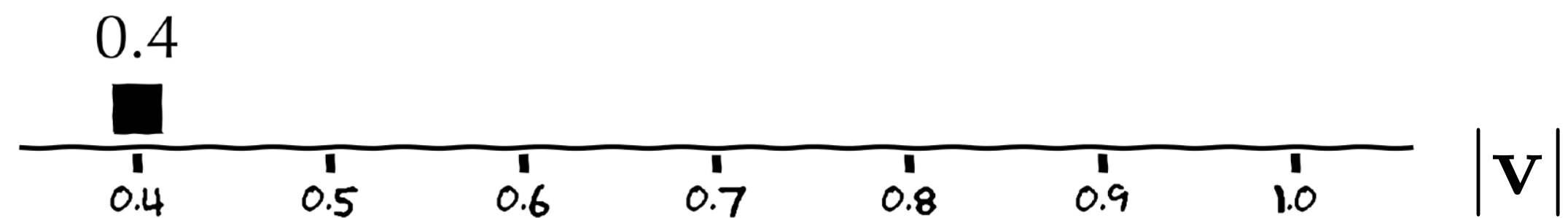
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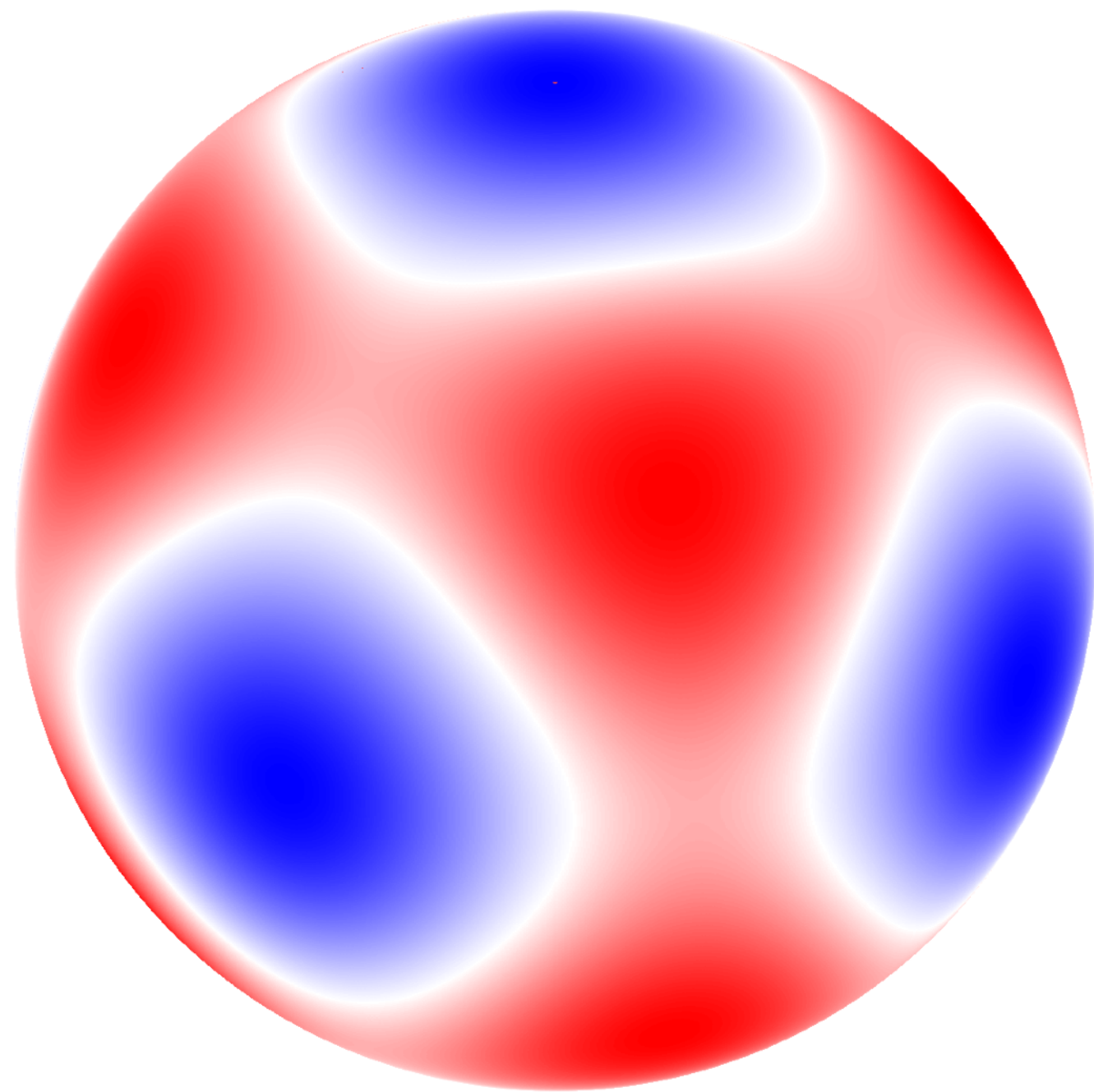
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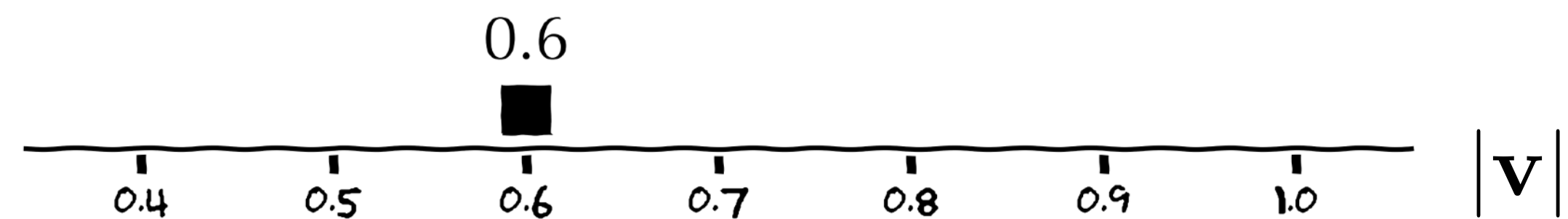
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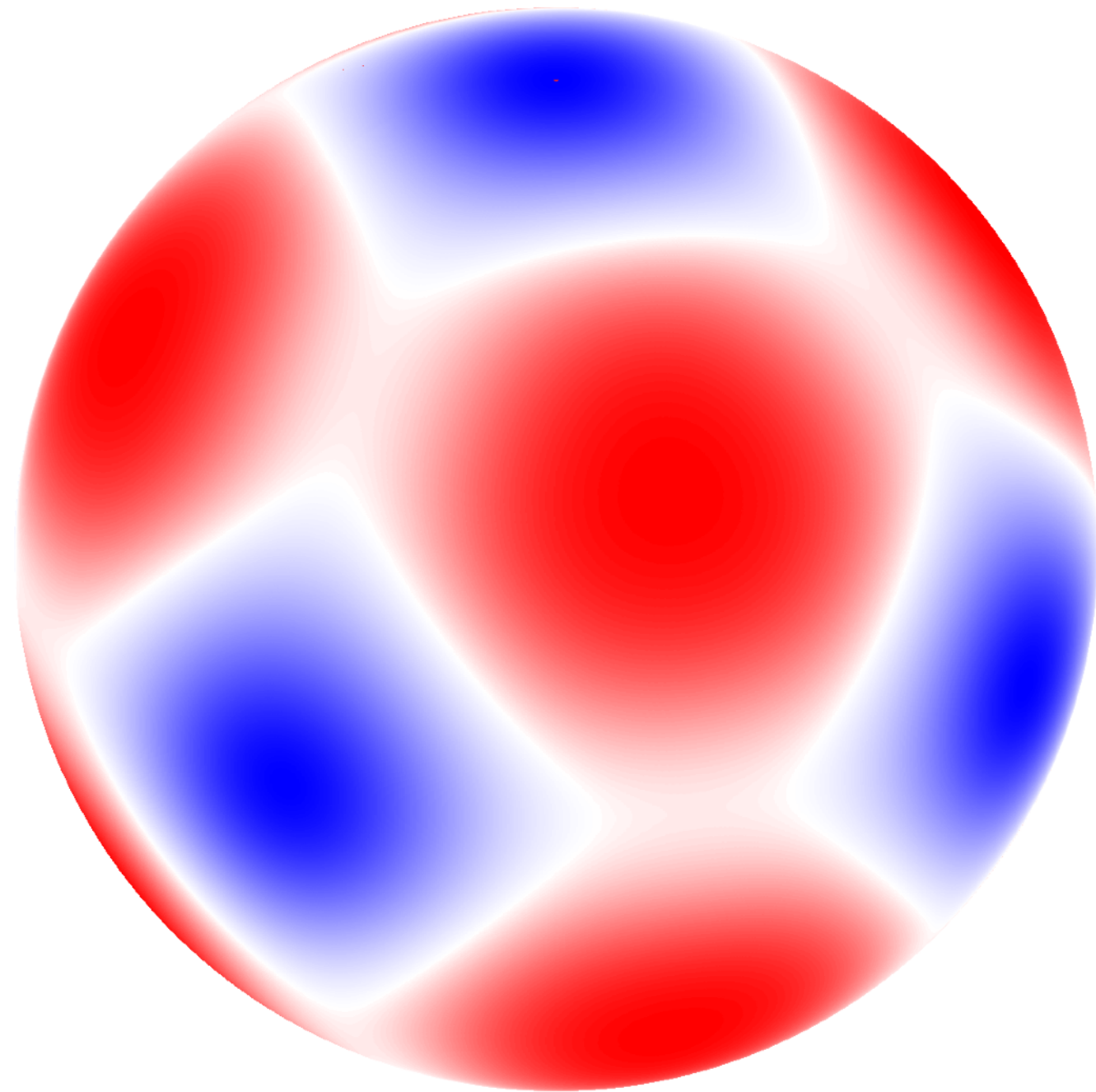
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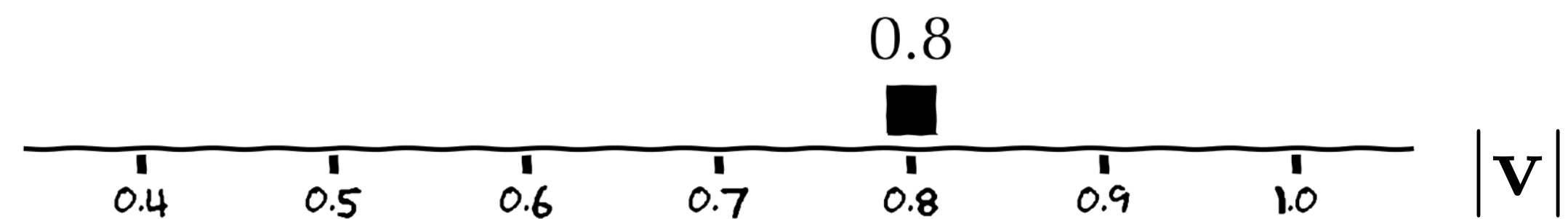
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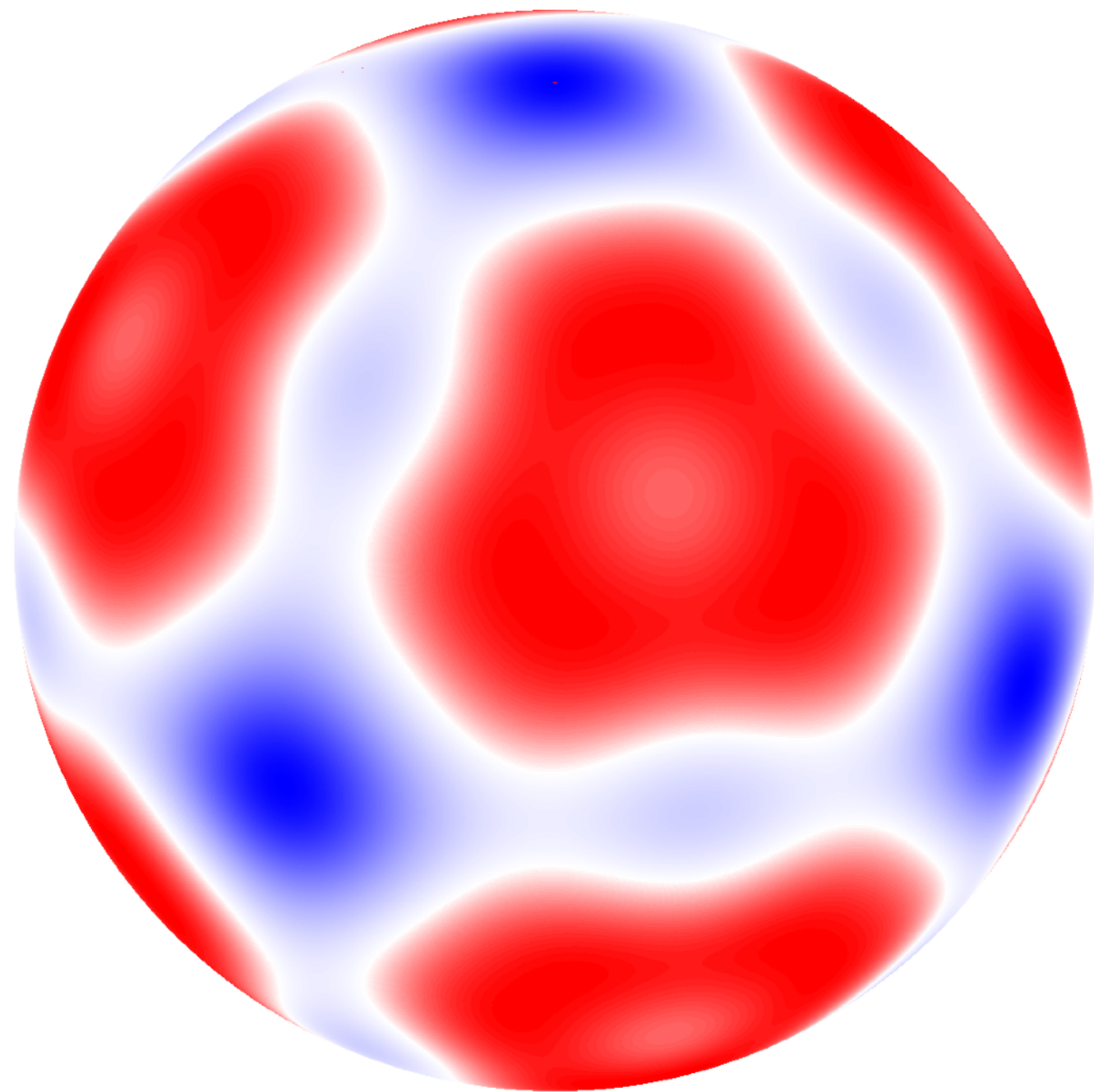




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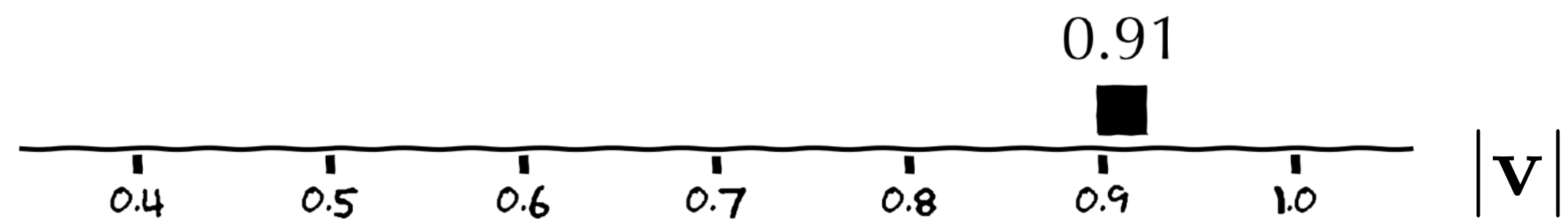
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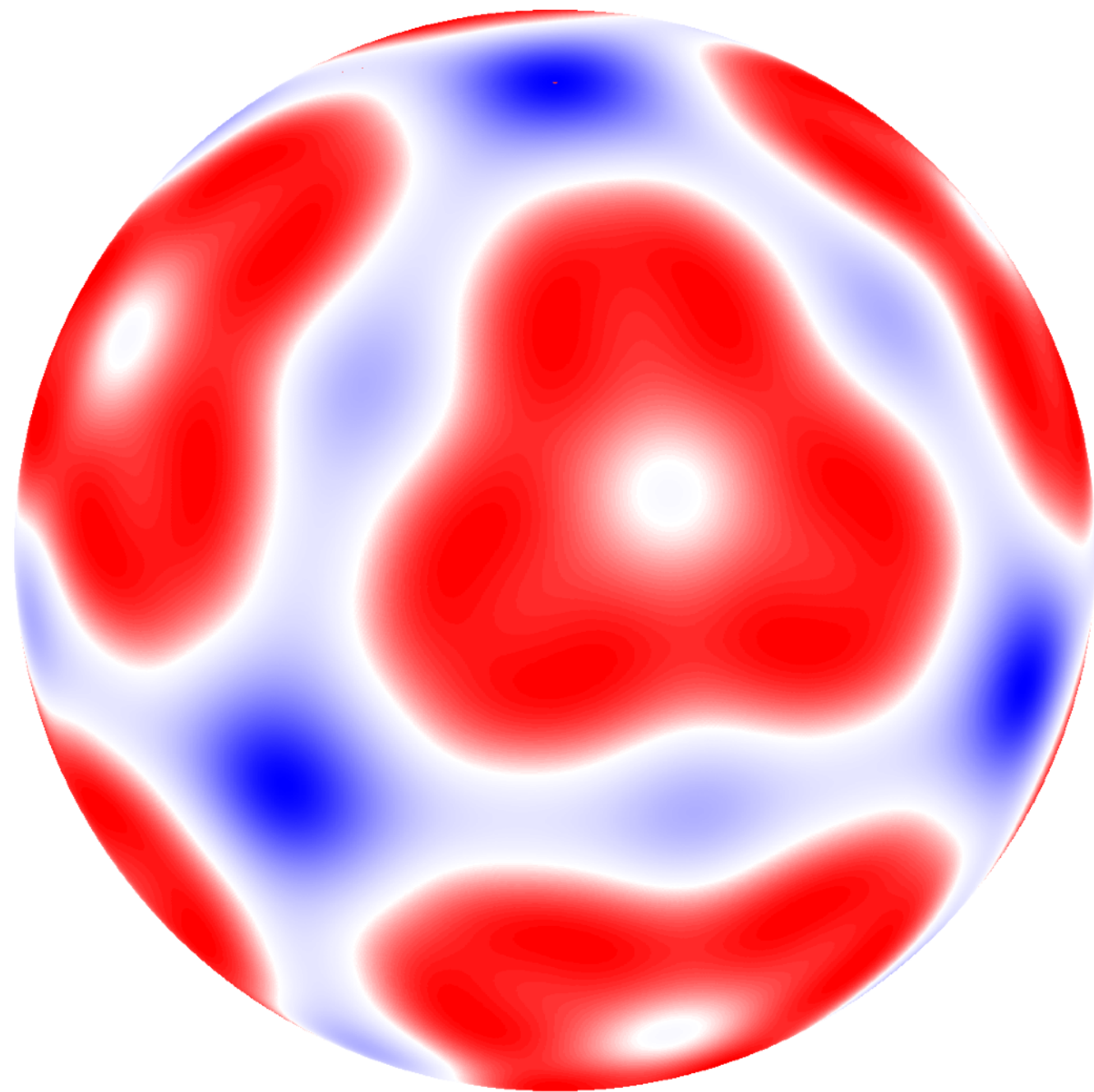
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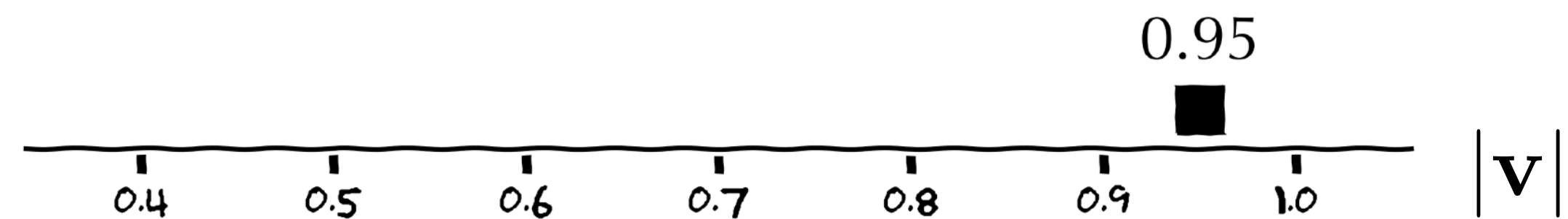
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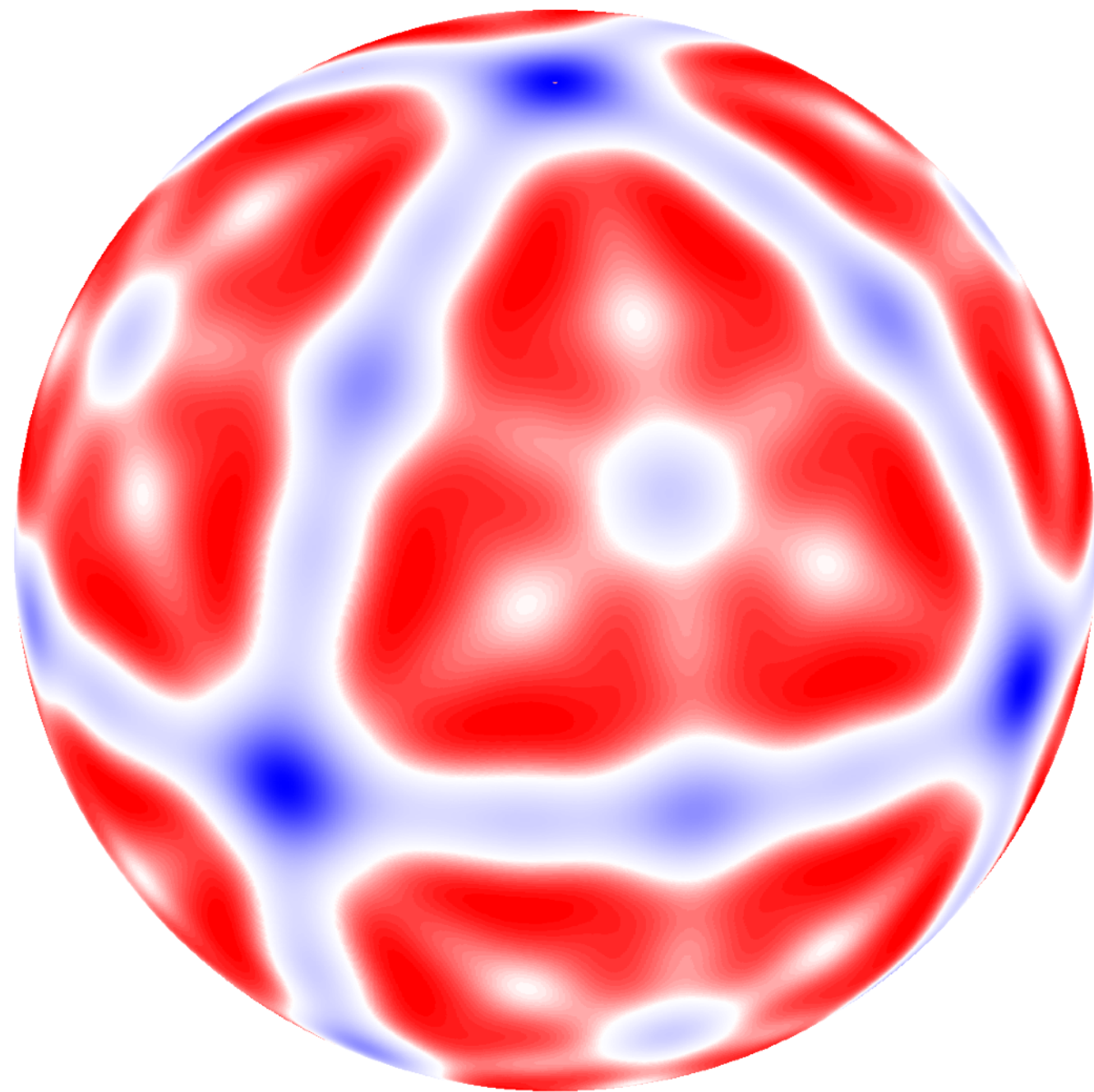
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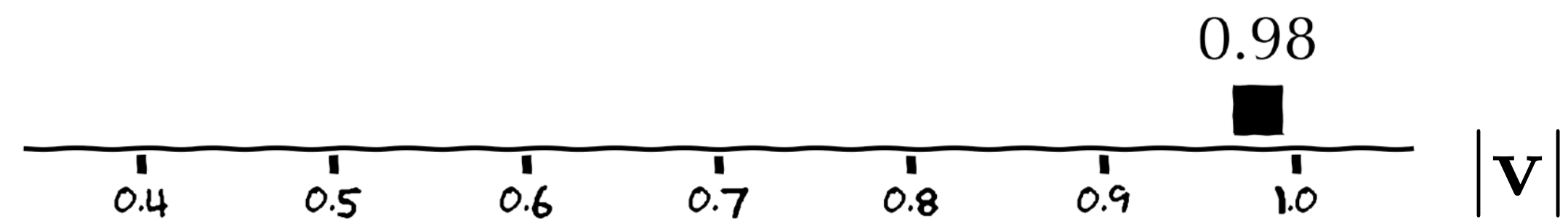
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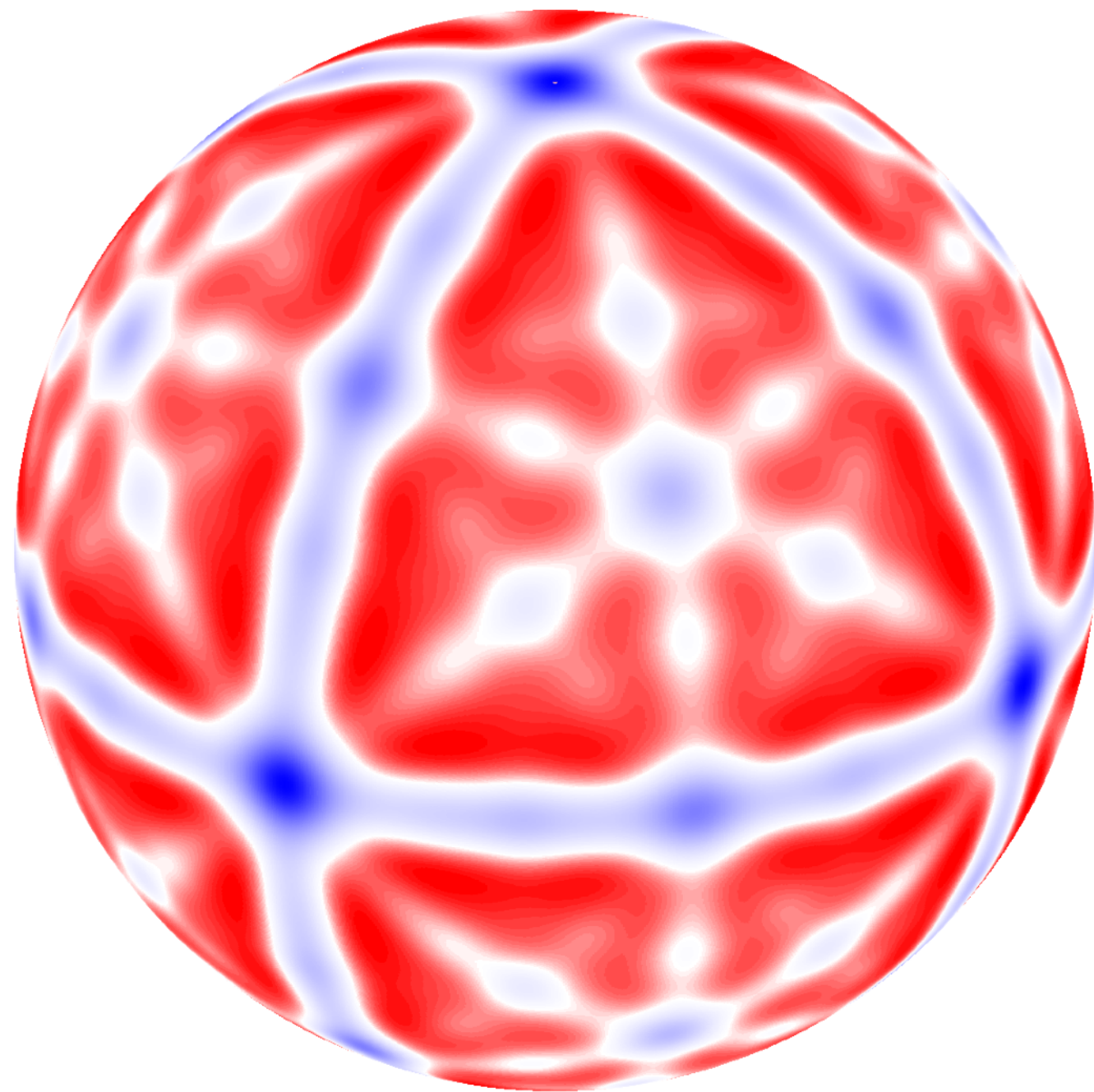
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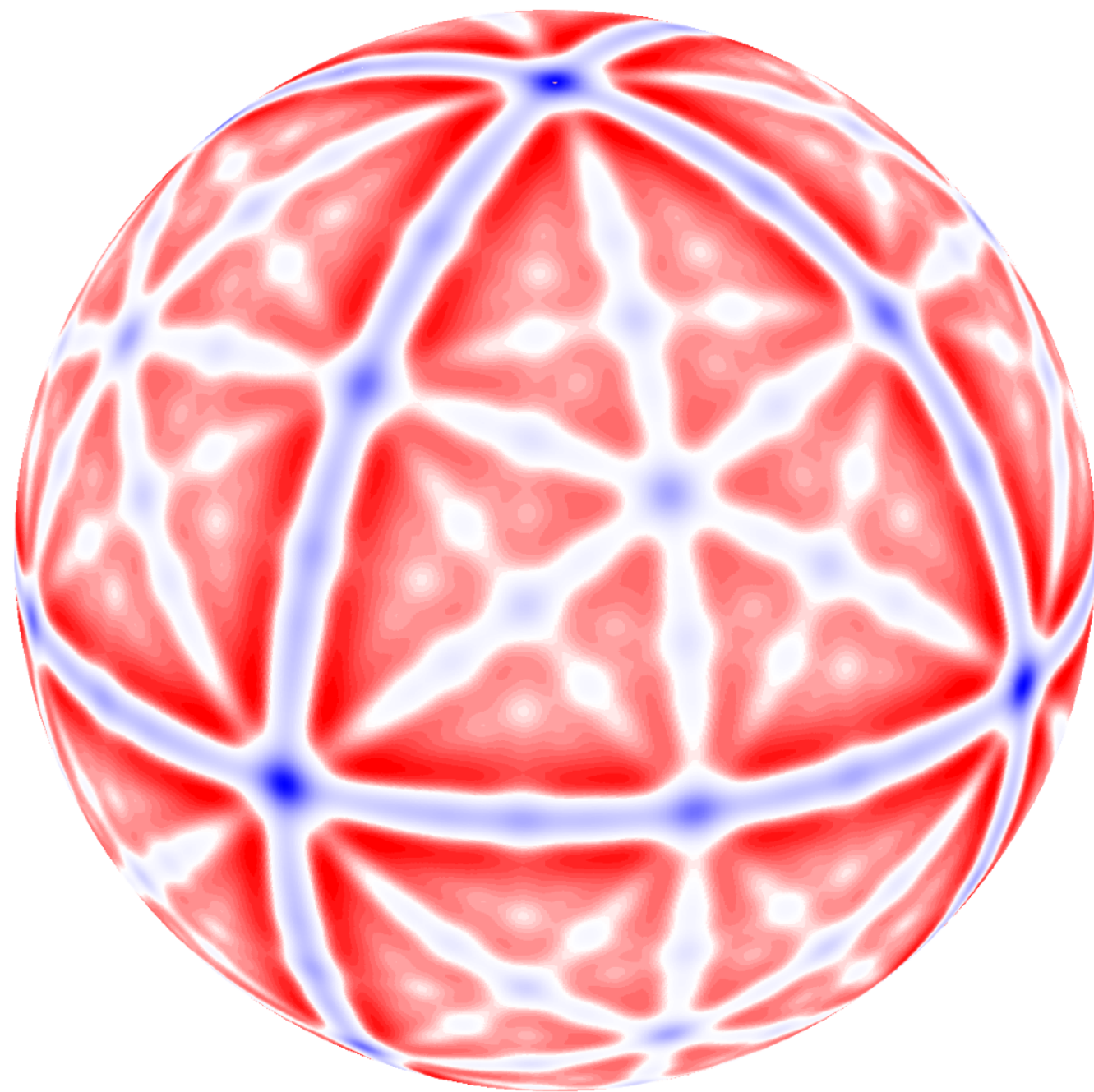




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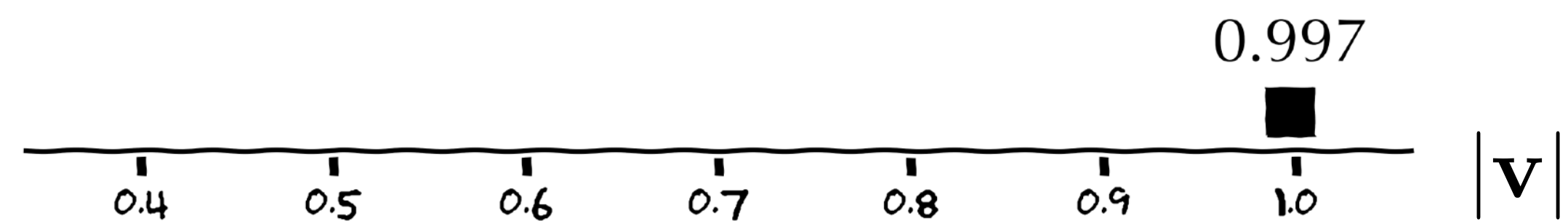
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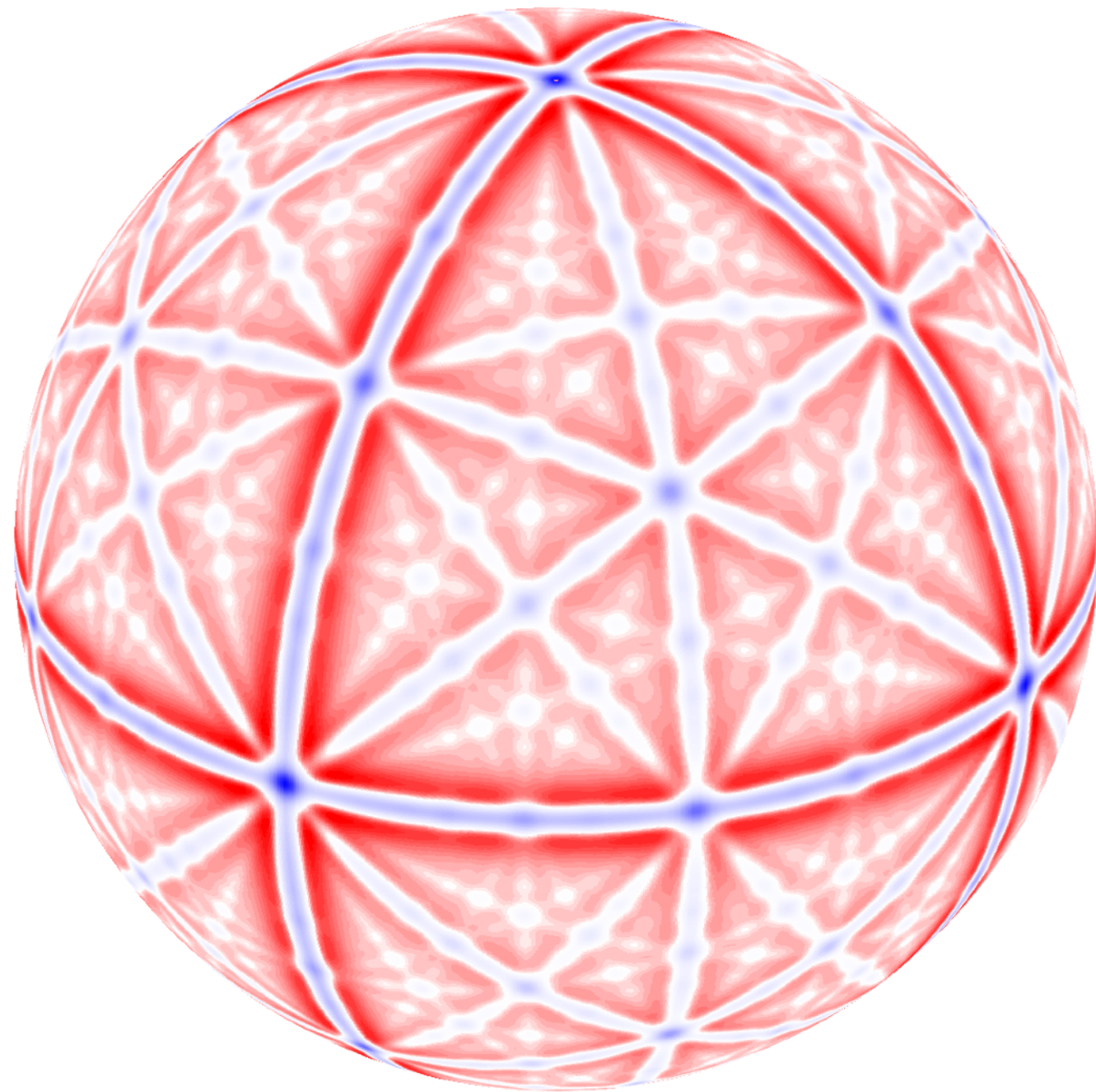




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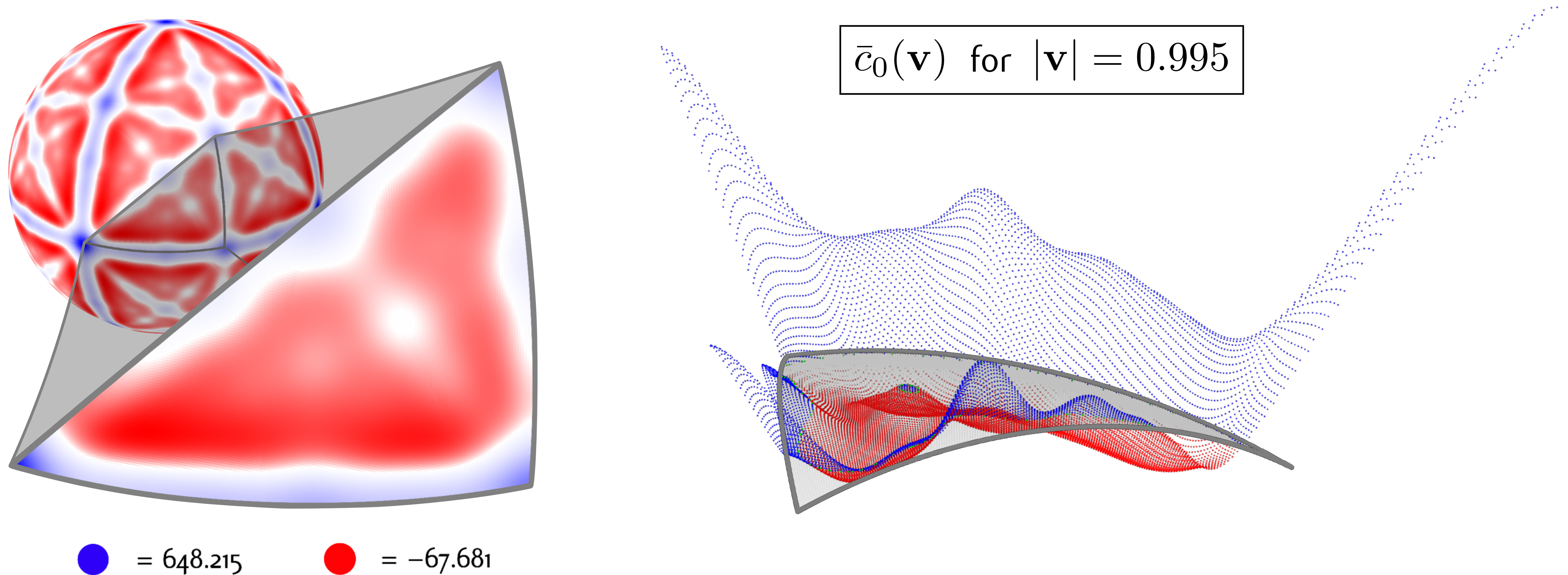
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Two fundamental properties in QED<sub>r</sub>:

A. For any value of  $|\mathbf{v}|$ , there always exists a direction  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}^*$  such that  $\bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}^*) = 0$

B. The average over the solid angle gives  $\frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\Omega_{\mathbf{v}} \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}) = 0$

see A.Portelli (Friday 4, h 9.40)  for a more detailed discussion!

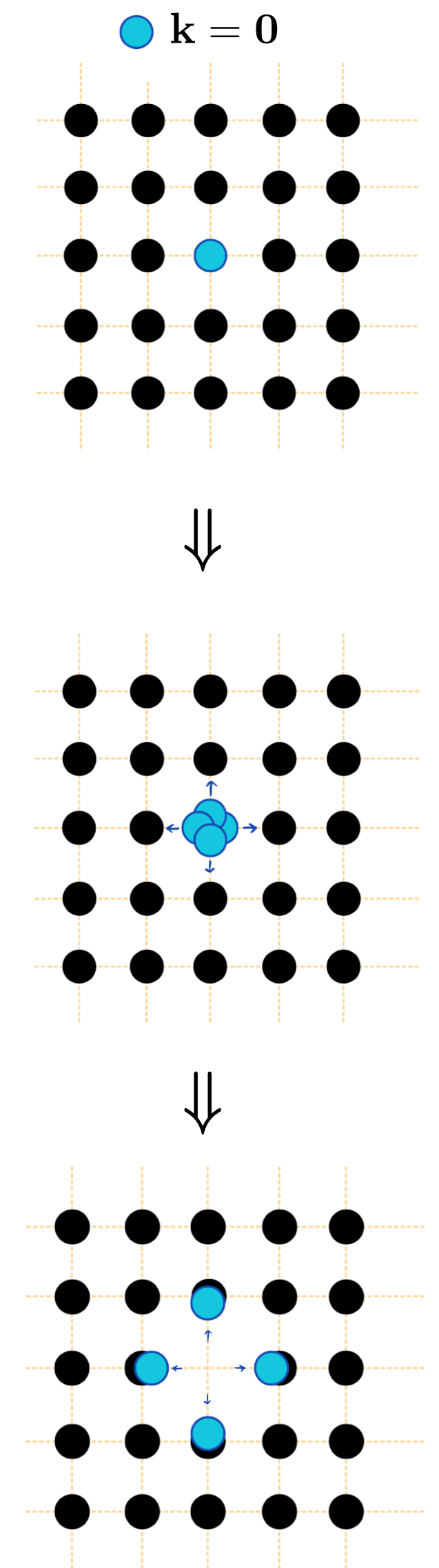
# QED<sub>r</sub> summary

- Infrared improvement of QED<sub>L</sub>: redistribution of the spatial zero-mode
- Free from (problematic)  $O(1/L^3)$  effects:
  - ▶ absent by construction for zero-velocity systems
  - ▶ improvement less straightforward for velocity-dependent observables, due to non-trivial collinear divergences

A.Portelli (Friday 4, h 9.40) 📅

## Ongoing numerical tests of QED<sub>r</sub> :

- › finite-volume study on new gauge ensembles with 4 different volumes
- › investigation of  $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $D$  and  $D_s$  decays



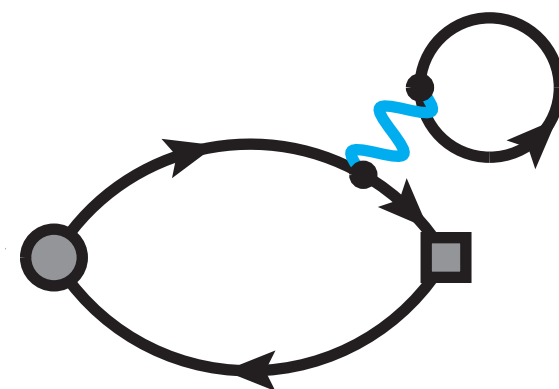
## 4. Where are we ...

- Current tensions in CKM unitarity require a combined effort of theory and experiments
- Two lattice calculations of IB and QED corrections to light-meson leptonic decay rates
- Finite volume QED effects have to be carefully studied (interesting proposal with  $\text{QED}_\infty$ !)

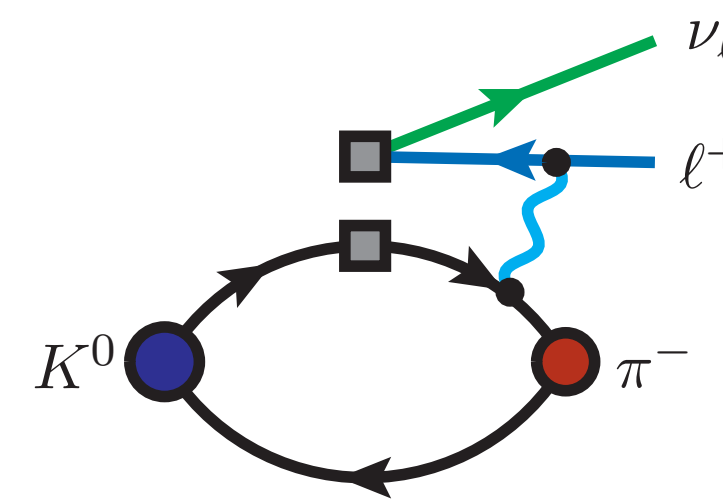
... and **where** to go?

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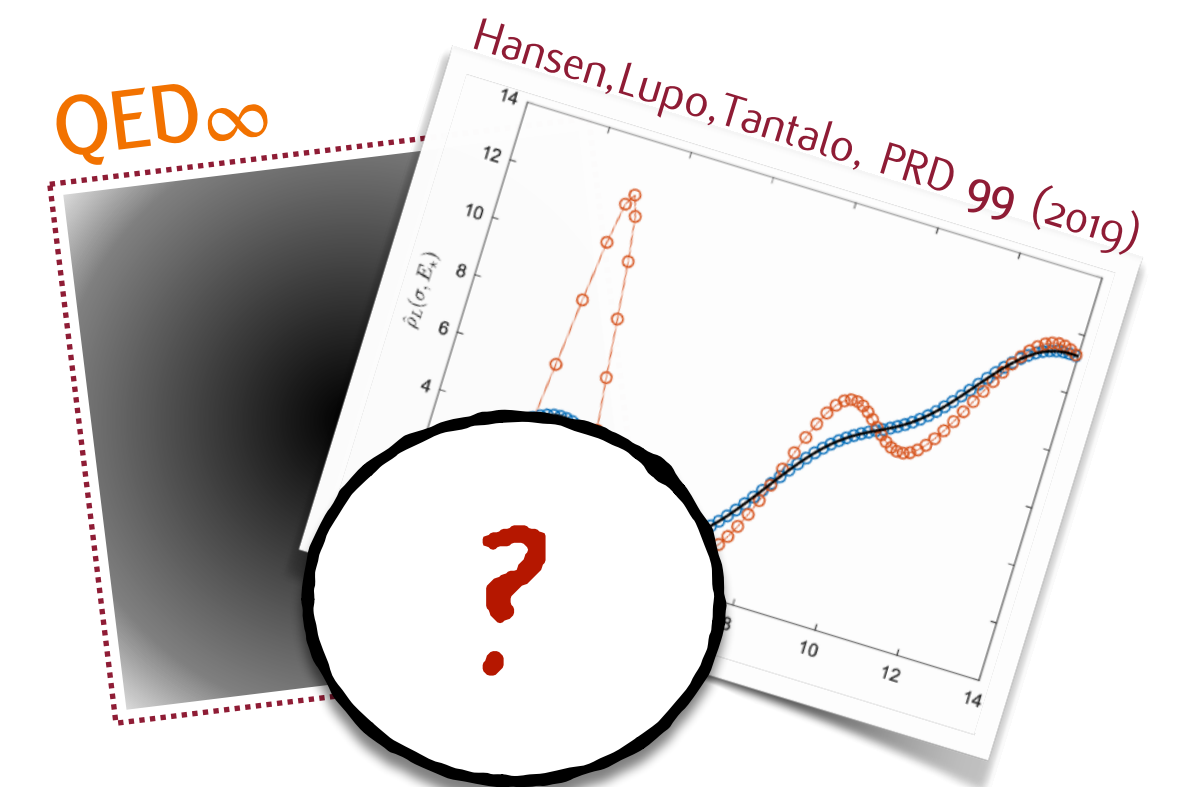
investigate & tame finite-volume effects



move to unquenched calculations

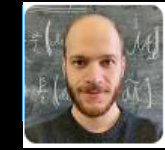


study different weak processes



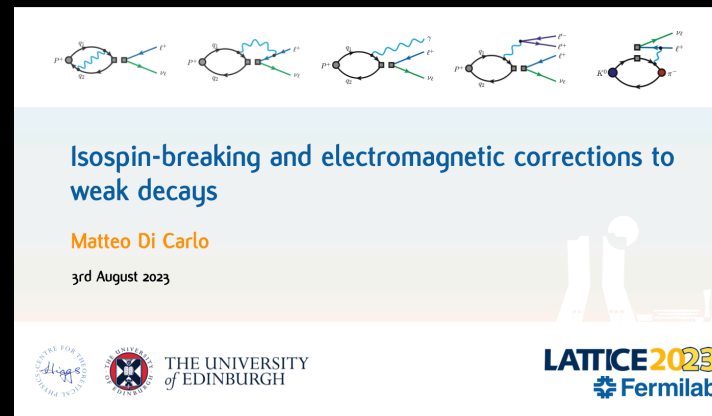
develop and apply new techniques





# Plenary talks

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M. Di Carlo (2023)

At the level of precision reached by the recent lattice calculations of decay constants and form factors, it becomes necessary to include the effects of QED interactions and those due to the up-down quark mass splitting in the calculation of weak decay rates of hadrons...

# Looking forward to the new episodes!



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### Monday 31

- 16.20: J.Swaim QED Corrections to meson and bare quark masses
- 16.40: A.Segner Precision determination of baryon masses including isospin breaking

### Thursday 3

- 17.20: D.Giusti Structure-dependent form factors in radiative leptonic decays of the  $D_s$  meson with domain wall fermions

### Friday 4

- 09.00: N.Christ Lattice calculation of electromagnetic corrections to  $K_{l3}$  decay
- 09.20: N.Hermansson  
-Truedsson Structure-dependent electromagnetic finite-volume effects through order  $1/L^3$
- 09.40: A.Portelli Finite-volume collinear divergences in radiative corrections to meson leptonic decays
- 10.00: J-S.Yoo Radiative electroweak box correction to pion, kaon and nucleon  $\beta$  decay

# Thank you



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# Backup slides



# Velocity-dependent finite-volume coefficients

$$c_j(\mathbf{v}) = \Delta'_n \frac{1}{|\mathbf{n}|^j (1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})} = \left[ \sum_{\mathbf{n} \neq 0} - \int d^3 \mathbf{n} \right] \frac{1}{|\mathbf{n}|^j (1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})}$$

For  $j = 0$  we have:

Z.Davoudi et al. PRD99 (2019)

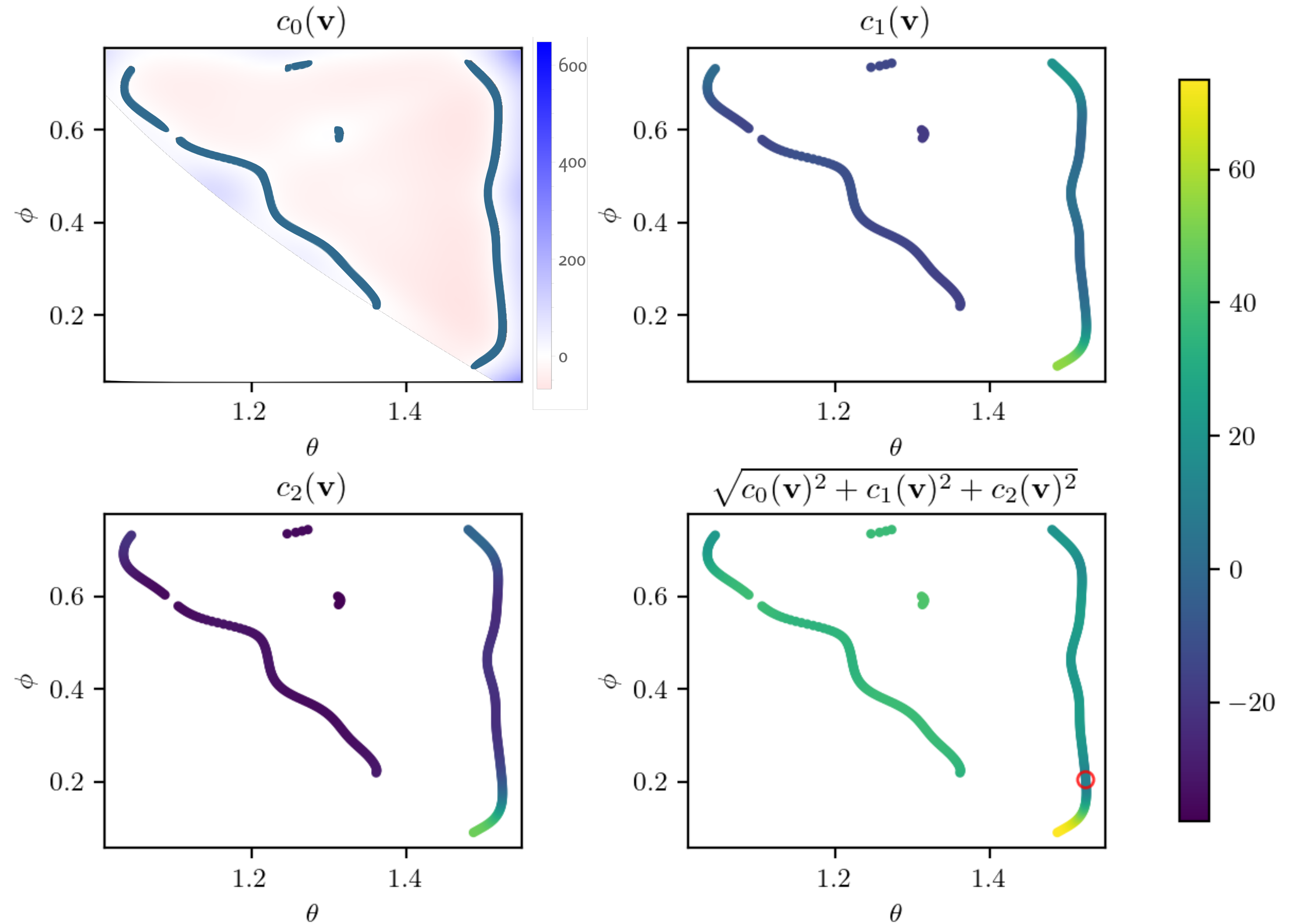
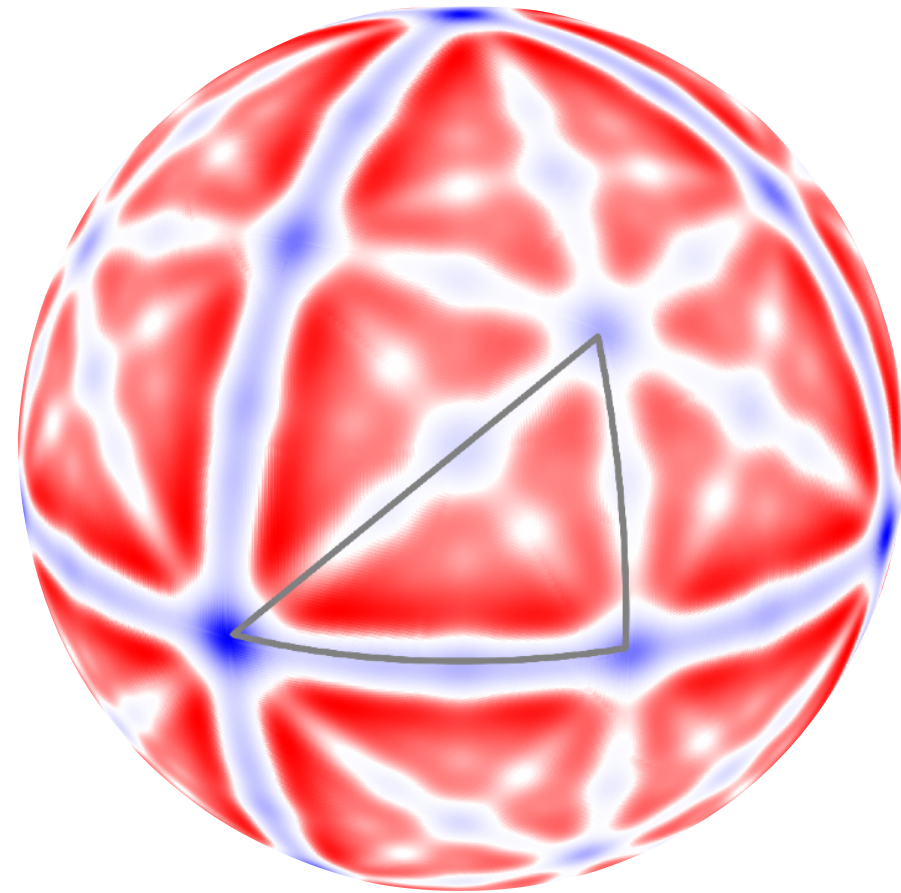
$$\frac{1}{1 - \mathbf{v} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}} = \frac{\operatorname{arctanh}(|\mathbf{v}|)}{|\mathbf{v}|} + \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^s p_{sl} P_l(\hat{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) |\mathbf{v}|^s$$

Therefore, in QED<sub>r</sub> we get:

$$\bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{\operatorname{arctanh}(|\mathbf{v}|)}{|\mathbf{v}|} \bar{c}_0 + \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=1}^s p_{sl} \left[ \Delta'_n P_l(\hat{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) + \frac{1}{6} \sum_{\mathbf{r}} P_l(\hat{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}) \right] |\mathbf{v}|^s$$

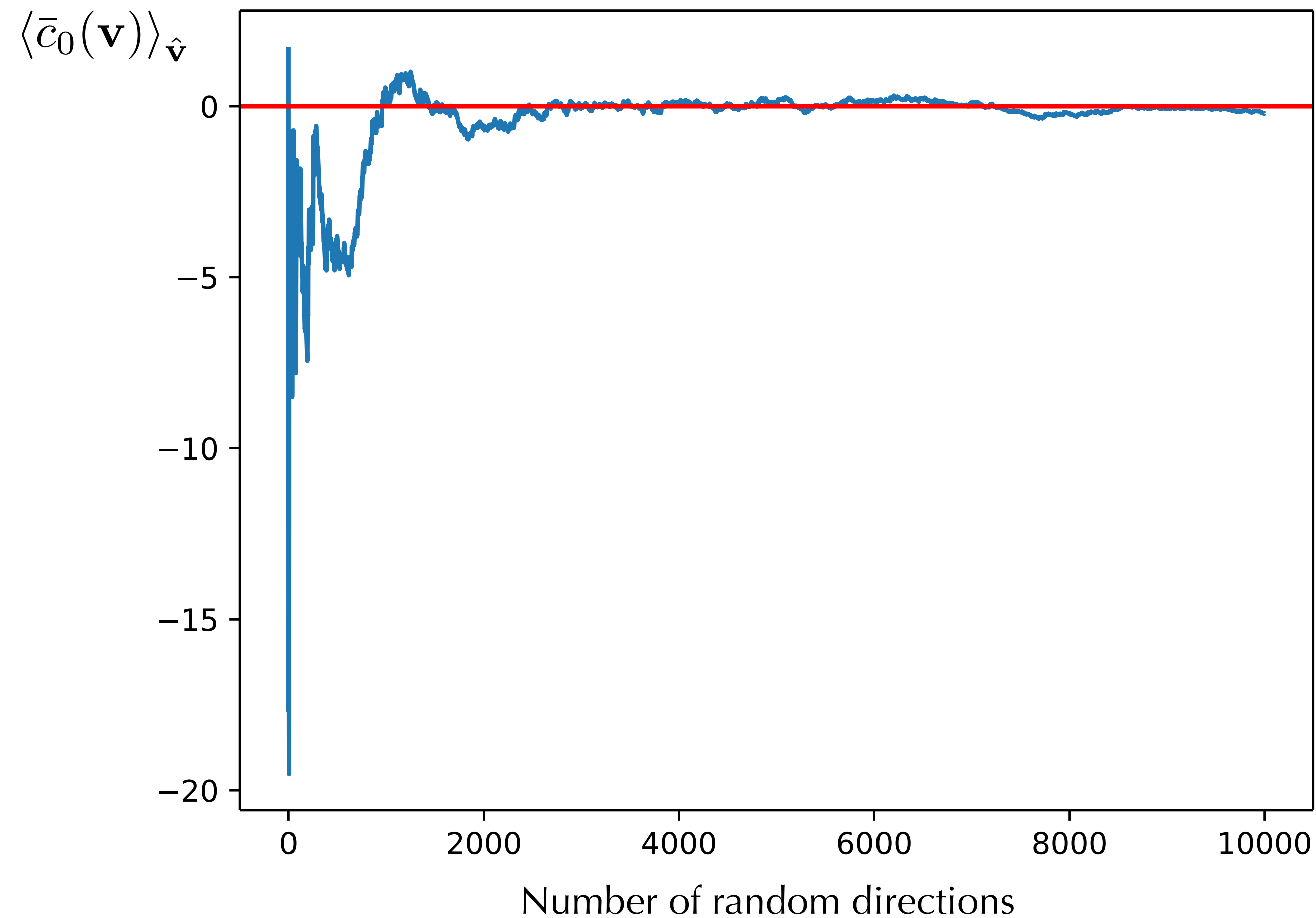
# Finding "magic angles"

$\bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v})$  at  $|\mathbf{v}| = 0.995$





# Stochastic average over solid angle



A.Portelli (Friday 4, h 9.40) 📅

$$\frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\Omega_{\mathbf{v}} \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}) = 0$$



$$\langle \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}) \rangle_{\hat{\mathbf{v}}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}_n)$$

# Infinite volume reconstruction

X.Feng & L.Jin, PRD 100 (2019)

## QED<sub>∞</sub>

- An alternative approach is to compute radiative corrections as a **convolution of hadronic correlators with infinite-volume QED kernels**

$$\Delta\mathcal{O} = \int dt \int d^3\mathbf{x} \mathcal{H}(t, \mathbf{x}) f_{\text{QED}}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \Delta\mathcal{O}^{(s)} + \Delta\mathcal{O}^{(l)}$$

Separate correlator into **short** and **long** distance parts:

Joshua Swaim (Mon 31, h 16.20) 📅

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}^{(s)} \approx \frac{1}{2} \int_{-t_s}^{t_s} dt \int_{L^3} d^3\mathbf{x} \mathcal{H}^L(t, \mathbf{x}) f_{\text{QED}}(t, \mathbf{x})$$

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}^{(l)} \approx \int_{L^3} d^3\mathbf{x} \mathcal{H}^L(t_s, \mathbf{x}) \mathcal{F}_{\text{QED}}(t_s, \mathbf{x})$$

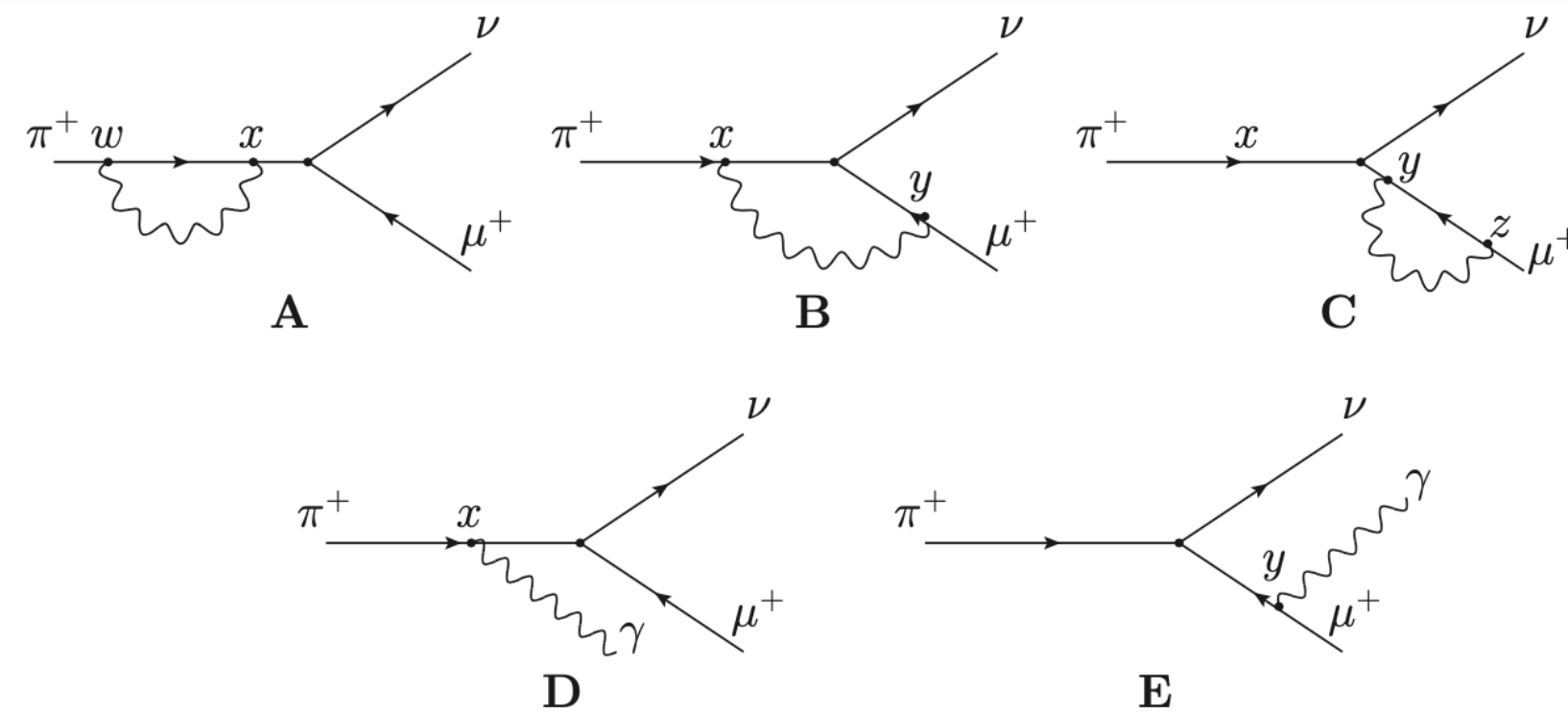


Exponentially suppressed (a) finite-volume effects (b) contributions of states with higher energy

# Infinite volume reconstruction

N.Christ et al., [2304.08026]

QED<sub>∞</sub>



▪ Diagram A:

$$H_{\mu,\rho,\sigma}^{(2)}(t_1, t_2, \vec{x}) = \int d^3\vec{w} \langle 0 | T \{ J_\mu^W(0) J_\rho^{\text{EM}}(t_1, \vec{w} + \vec{x}) J_\sigma^{\text{EM}}(t_2, \vec{w}) \} | \pi(\vec{0}) \rangle$$

▪ Diagram B and D:

$$H_{\mu,\rho}^{(1)}(x) = H_{\mu,\rho}^{(1)}(x_t, \vec{x}) = \langle 0 | T \{ J_\mu^W(0) J_\rho^{\text{EM}}(x) \} | \pi(\vec{0}) \rangle$$

▪ Diagram C and E ( $f_\pi \approx 130$  MeV):

$$H_\mu^{(0)} = H_t^{(0)} \delta_{\mu,t} = \langle 0 | J_\mu^W(0) | \pi(\vec{0}) \rangle = -im_\pi f_\pi \delta_{\mu,t}$$

Strategy applied to leptonic decay rates:

- Logarithmic IR divergences appear
- BUT they cancel analytically between diagrams
- numerical calculation still ongoing...

The method is appealing, but it has to be studied case by case.

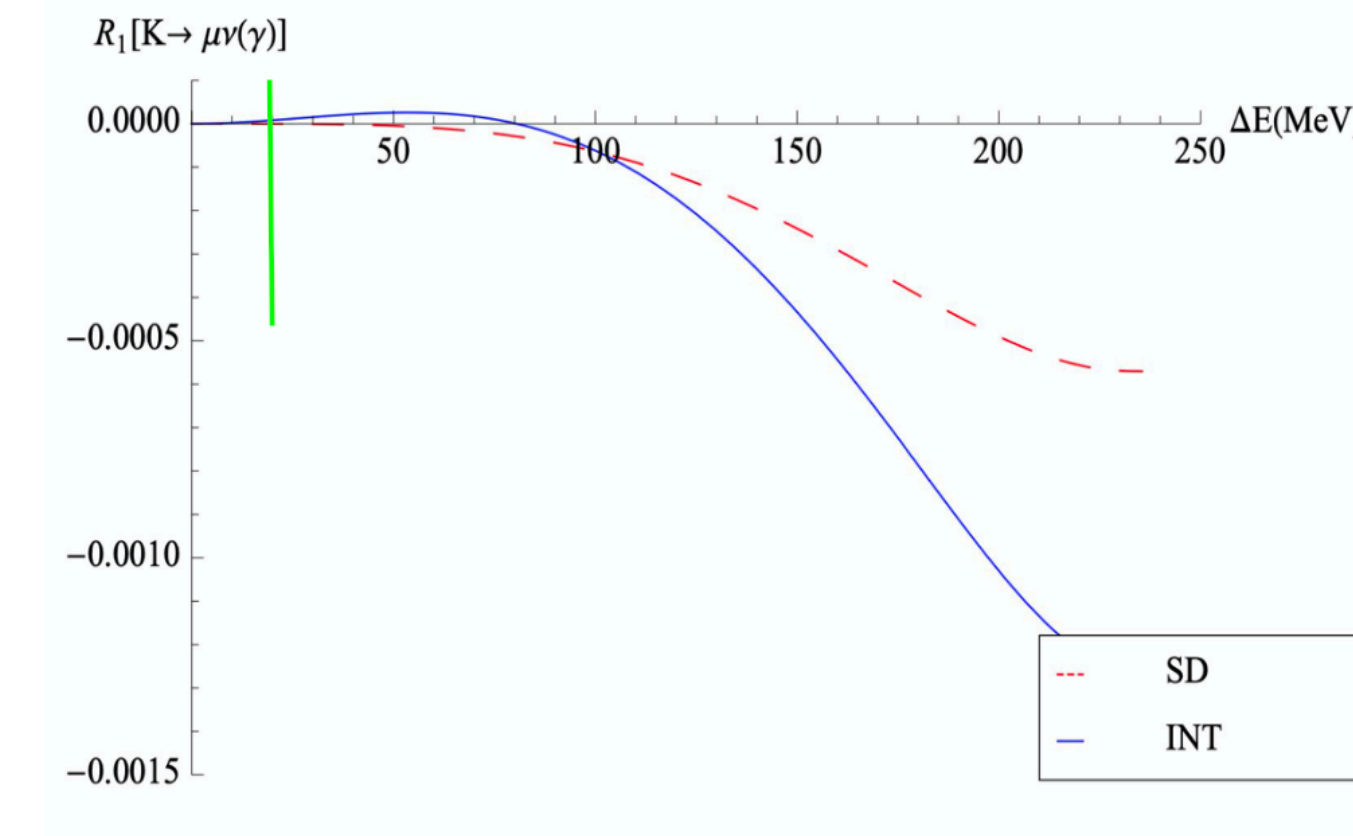
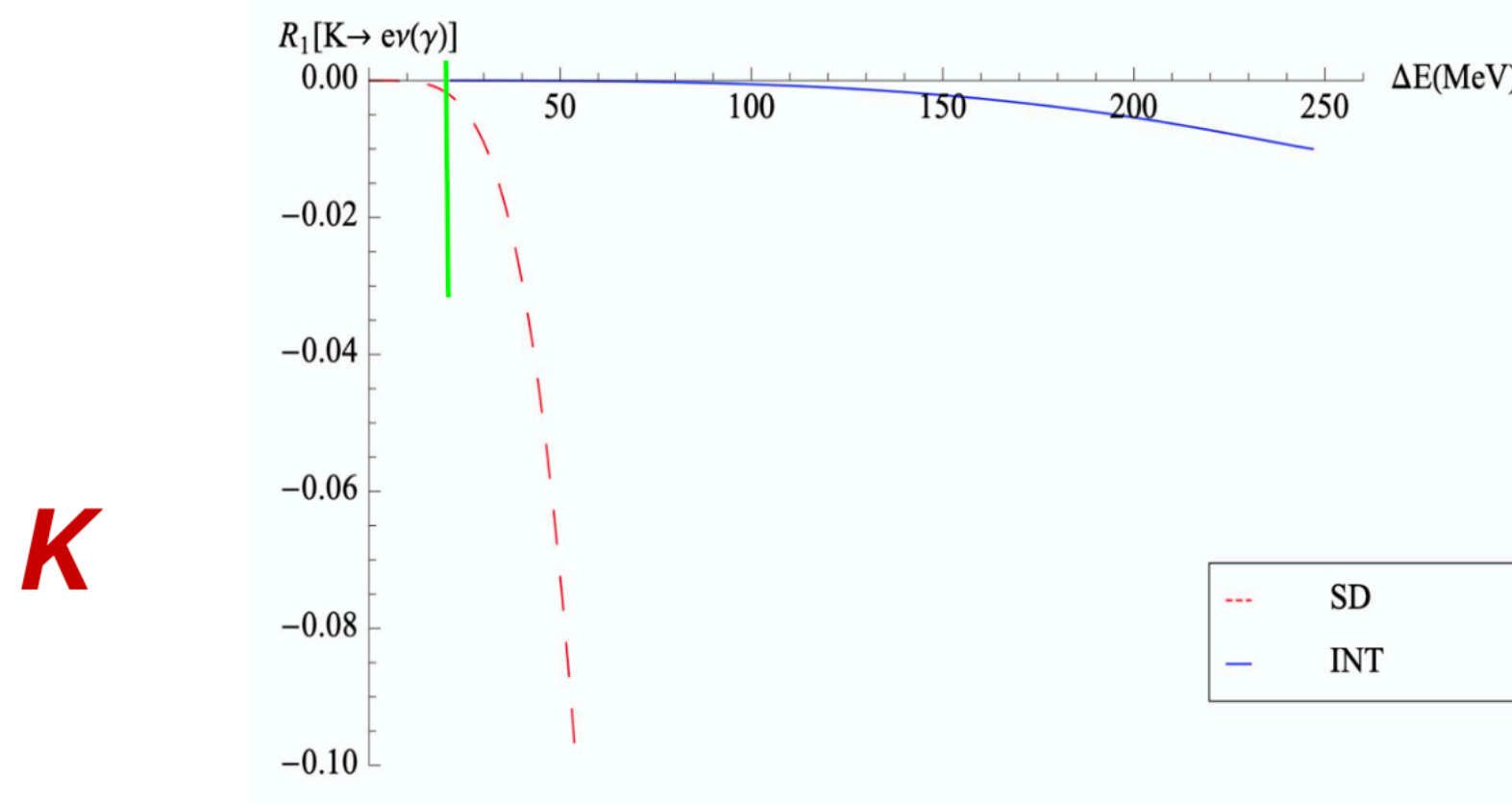
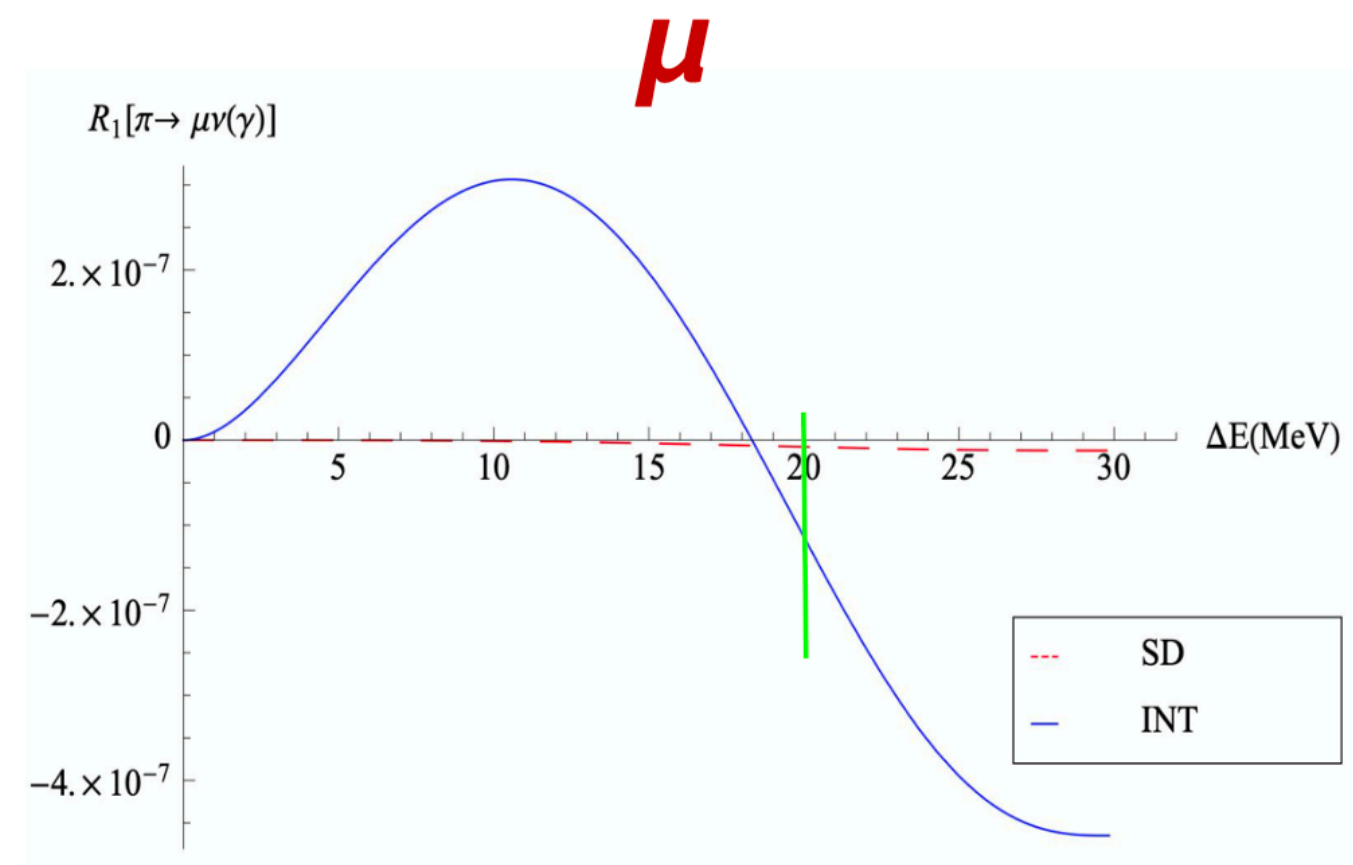
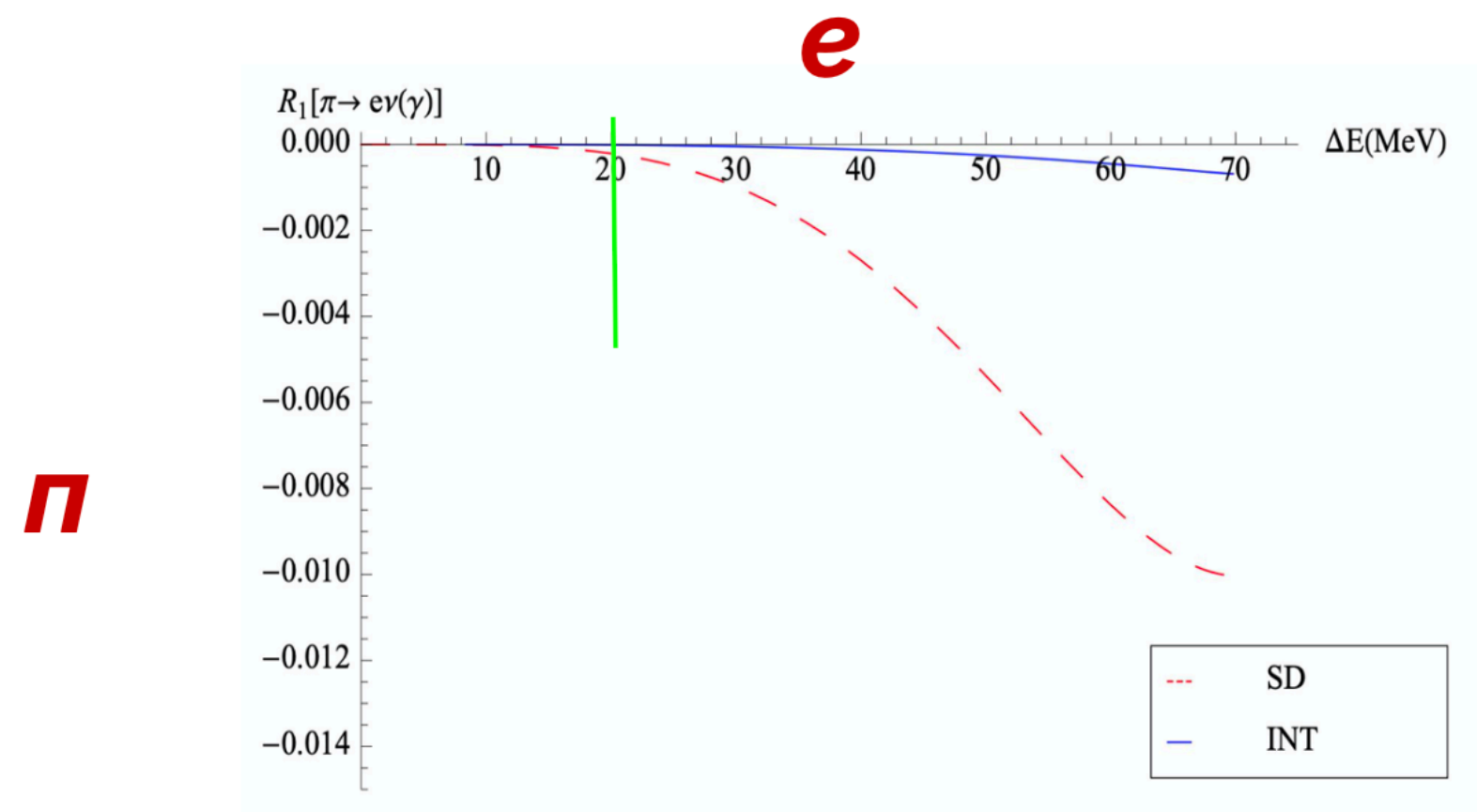
... systematics under control?

from Luchang Jin's talk @ Edinburgh May 30, 2023

N.Christ (Friday 4, h 9.00) 

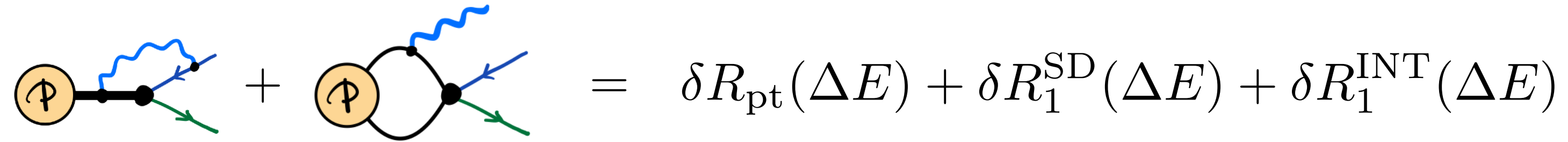
# Real photon emission and structure dependence

$$\text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} = \left[ \text{Diagram 3} + \text{Diagram 4} \right] \left( 1 + \underline{R_1^{\text{SD}}(\Delta E)} + \underline{R_1^{\text{INT}}(\Delta E)} \right)$$



Calculation at  $O(p^4)$  in  $\chi$ PT  
 N. Carrasco et al., PRD 91 (2015)

# Real photon emission and structure dependence



$$\text{Diagram 1} + \text{Diagram 2} = \delta R_{\text{pt}}(\Delta E) + \delta R_1^{\text{SD}}(\Delta E) + \delta R_1^{\text{INT}}(\Delta E)$$

	$\pi_{e2}[\gamma]$	$\pi_{\mu 2}[\gamma]$	$K_{e2}[\gamma]$	$K_{\mu 2}[\gamma]$
$\delta R_0$	(*)	0.0411 (19)	(*)	0.0341 (10)
$\delta R_{\text{pt}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}})$	-0.0651	-0.0258	-0.0695	-0.0317
$\delta R_1^{\text{SD}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}})$	$5.4 (1.0) \times 10^{-4}$	$2.6 (5) \times 10^{-10}$	1.19 (14)	$2.2 (3) \times 10^{-5}$
$\delta R_1^{\text{INT}}(\Delta E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}})$	$-4.1 (1.0) \times 10^{-5}$	$-1.3 (1.5) \times 10^{-8}$	$-9.2 (1.3) \times 10^{-4}$	$-6.1 (1.1) \times 10^{-5}$
$\Delta E_{\gamma}^{\text{max}}$ (MeV)	69.8	29.8	246.8	235.5

Confirmed by numerical  
lattice calculation

A. Desiderio et al., PRD 102 (2021)

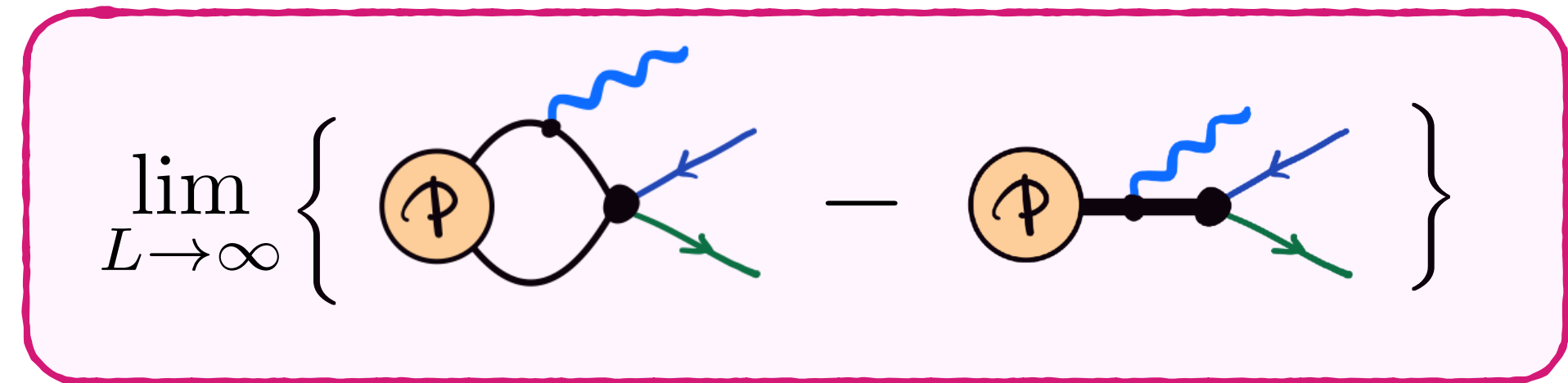
R. Frezzotti et al., PRD 103 (2021)

(\*) Not yet evaluated by numerical lattice QCD+QED simulations.

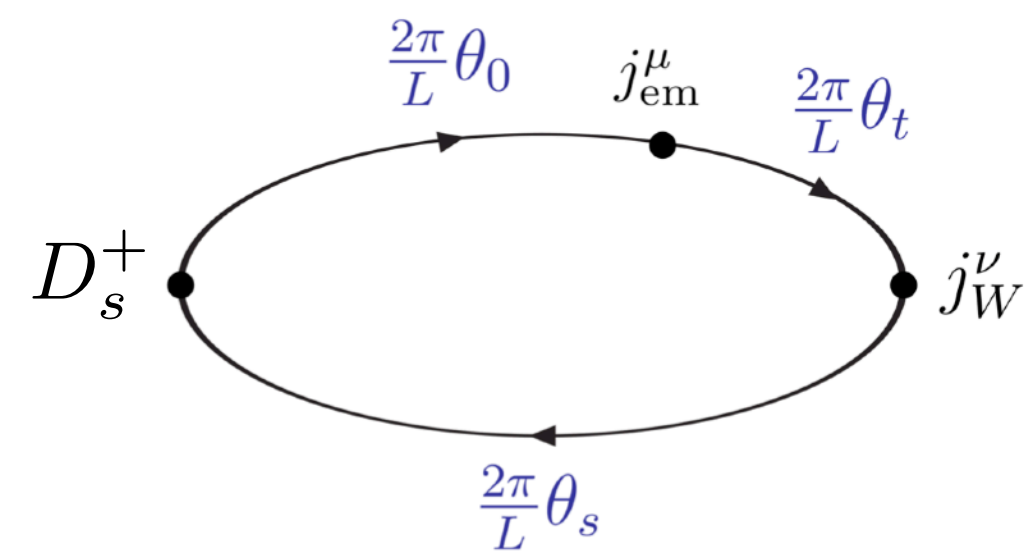


# Real photon emission

Hadronic matrix element and form factors



$$H_W^{\mu\nu}(k, \mathbf{p}) = \int d^4y e^{ik \cdot y} \langle 0 | T [j_W^\nu(0) j_{\text{em}}^\mu(y)] | D_s^+(\mathbf{p}) \rangle = H_{\text{SD}}^{\mu\nu}(k, \mathbf{p}) + H_{\text{pt}}^{\mu\nu}(k, \mathbf{p})$$



$$H_{\text{SD}}^{\mu\nu}(k, \mathbf{p}) = \frac{H_1(p \cdot k, k^2)}{m_{D_s}} [k^2 g^{\mu\nu} - k^\mu k^\nu] + \frac{H_2(p \cdot k, k^2)}{m_{D_s}} \frac{[(p \cdot k - k^2)k^\mu - k^2(p - k)^\mu]}{(p - k)^2 - m_{D_s}^2} (p - k)^\nu$$

$$- i \frac{\mathbf{F}_V(p \cdot k, k^2)}{m_{D_s}} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} k_\alpha p_\beta + \frac{\mathbf{F}_A(p \cdot k, k^2)}{m_{D_s}} [(p \cdot k - k^2)g^{\mu\nu} - (p - k)^\mu k^\nu]$$

$$H_{\text{pt}}^{\mu\nu}(k, \mathbf{p}) = f_{D_s} \left[ g^{\mu\nu} + \frac{(2p - k)^\mu (p - k)^\nu}{2p \cdot k - k^2} \right]$$

**Goal:** extract form factors  $F_A$  and  $F_V$  from Euclidean three-point functions

D.Giusti (Thursday 3, h 17.20) 📅

PRD 103, 014502 (2021)

**First lattice calculation of radiative leptonic decay rates of pseudoscalar mesons**

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- first calculation of  $P^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu \gamma$  for pion and kaon +  $D_s$  in part of the kinematical range ( $E_\gamma \lesssim 0.4$  GeV)

PRD 103, 053005 (2021)

**Comparison of lattice QCD + QED predictions for radiative leptonic decays of light mesons with experimental data**

R. Frezzotti<sup>1</sup>, M. Garofalo<sup>2,3</sup>, V. Lubicz<sup>2</sup>, G. Martinelli<sup>4</sup>, C. T. Sachrajda<sup>5</sup>, F. Sanfilippo<sup>6</sup>, S. Simula<sup>6</sup>, and N. Tantalo<sup>1</sup>

- comparison of lattice results with experimental measurements
- good agreement with KLOE on  $K \rightarrow e \nu_e \gamma$
- 3-4 $\sigma$  tensions on  $K \rightarrow \mu \nu_\mu \gamma$  (also among experiments)

PRD 107, 074507 (2023)

**Methods for high-precision determinations of radiative-leptonic decay form factors using lattice QCD**

Davide Giusti<sup>1</sup>, Christopher F. Kane<sup>2</sup>, Christoph Lehner<sup>1</sup>, Stefan Meinel<sup>2</sup>, and Amarjit Soni<sup>3</sup>

- study of  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu \gamma$  with different "3d" method
- improved control of systematic uncertainties
- but single lattice spacing

arXiv:2306.05904

**Lattice calculation of the  $D_s$  meson radiative form factors over the full kinematical range**

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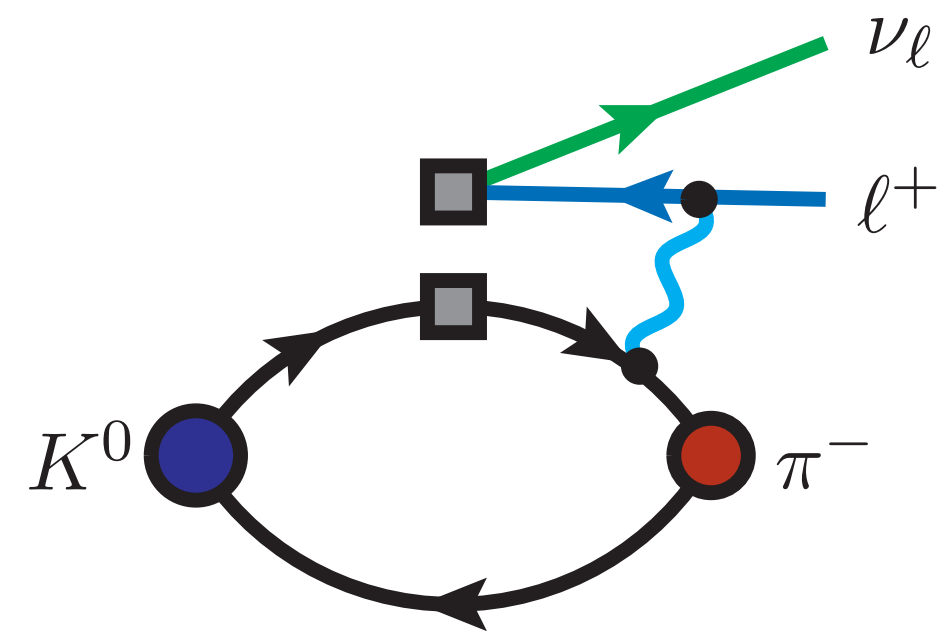
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- new calculation of  $D_s^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu \gamma$  on full kinematical range

# QED corrections to semileptonic decays



Additional difficulties arise compared to leptonic decays:

- integration over **three-body phase-space**
- problems of **analytical continuation** when intermediate states lighter than external ones go on shell:

$$e^{-(\omega_{\pi l}^{\text{int}} - \omega_{\pi l}^{\text{ext}})(t_{\pi l} - t_H)}$$

› growing exponentials if  $\omega_{\pi l}^{\text{int}} < \omega_{\pi l}^{\text{ext}}$

C.Sachrajda @Lattice2019

These states should be **identified** and **subtracted**.

All becomes more problematic for decays of heavy mesons!

... spectral reconstruction?

... infinite-volume QED?

N.Christ et al., [2304.08026]

