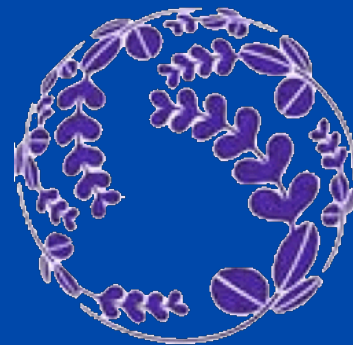




# Recent progress on nucleon form factors in lattice QCD at the physical point

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Nucleon Structure Project

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**Today's topics**

# Nucleon structure

- Proton radius puzzle

➔ Electric/magnetic form factor (rms radius)

- Neutron lifetime puzzle &  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  oscillation

➔ Axial-vector form factor (axial charge & axial radius)

An important opportunity to develop our understanding of nucleon structure using lattice QCD simulations

# Our strategy

✓ Use **PACS10** gauge configurations

▶ **Physical point** → No chiral extrapolation

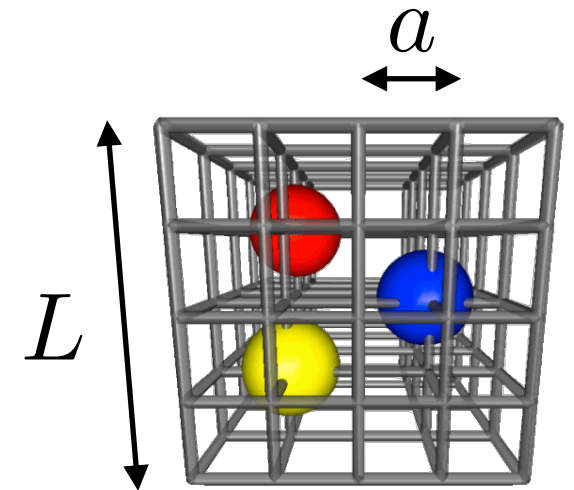
▶ **Very large spatial volume ( $L$ )** → No finite size effect & **Low  $q^2$  physics**

▶ **3 different lattice cut-offs ( $a$ )** → Continuum limit (**currently not available**)

✓ **All-mode averaging technique** → High precision measurements

✓ **Highly tuned smearing** → **Suppression of excited-state contributions**

✓ **Model-independent  $Q^2$  fit** by  **$z$ -Expansion method**



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# Iso-vector quantities

electromagnetic current

$$J_\mu^{\text{em}} = \frac{2}{3} \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{3} \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \boxed{(\bar{u} \gamma_\mu u - \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d)} + \frac{1}{6} \boxed{(\bar{u} \gamma_\mu u + \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d)} = J_\mu^V + \frac{1}{3} J_\mu^S$$

iso-vector iso-scalar

matrix element (ME)

proton  $\langle p | J_\mu^{\text{em}} | p \rangle = \langle p | J_\mu^V | p \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \langle p | J_\mu^S | p \rangle$

neutron  $\langle n | J_\mu^{\text{em}} | n \rangle = \langle n | J_\mu^V | n \rangle + \frac{1}{3} \langle n | J_\mu^S | n \rangle$

iso-spin symmetry

$$\langle p | J_\mu^S | p \rangle = \langle n | J_\mu^S | n \rangle$$

$$\langle p | J_\mu^V | p \rangle = -\langle n | J_\mu^V | n \rangle$$

$$\langle p | J_\mu^{\text{em}} | p \rangle - \langle n | J_\mu^{\text{em}} | n \rangle = \boxed{\langle p | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u - \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d | p \rangle} = \boxed{\langle p | \bar{u} \gamma_\mu d | n \rangle}$$

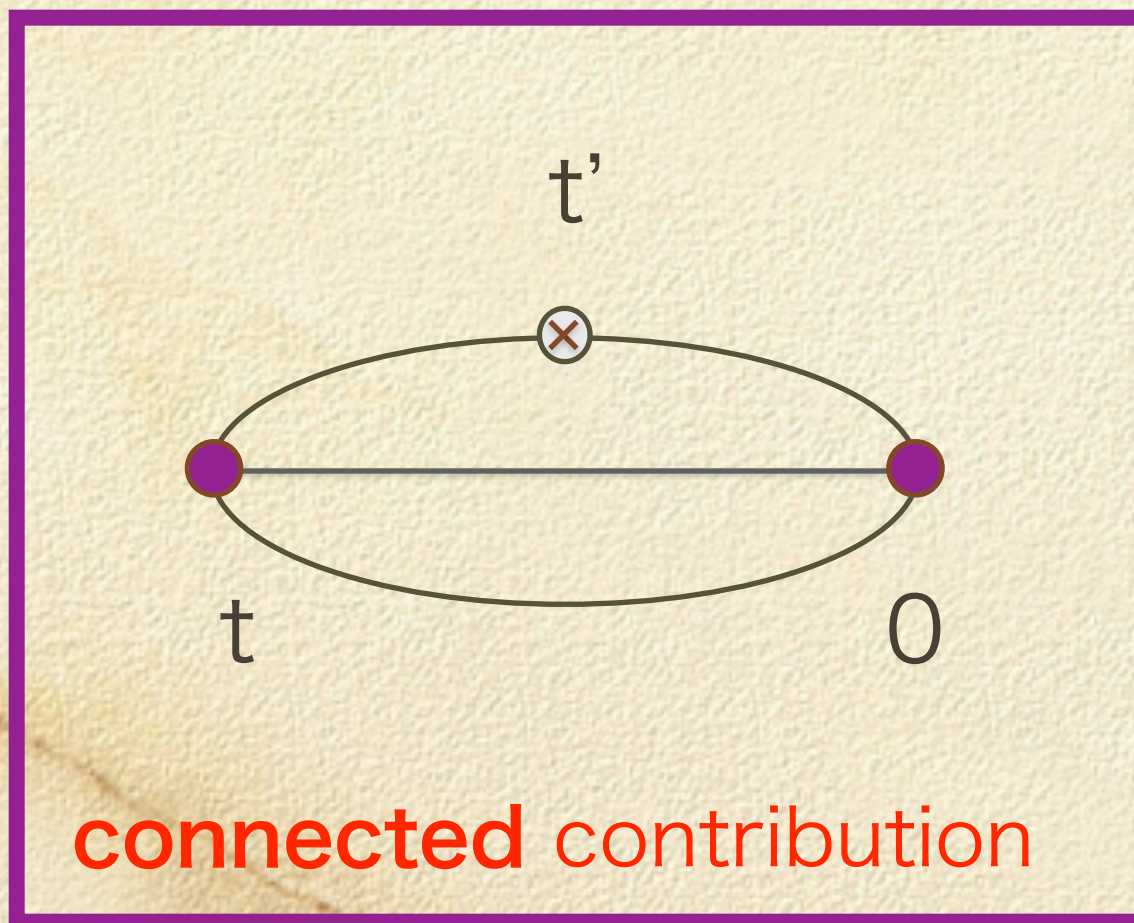
proton ME      neutron ME      iso-vector      Weak process

**Iso-vector part** receives **NO** disconnected contribution in 2+1 flavor QCD

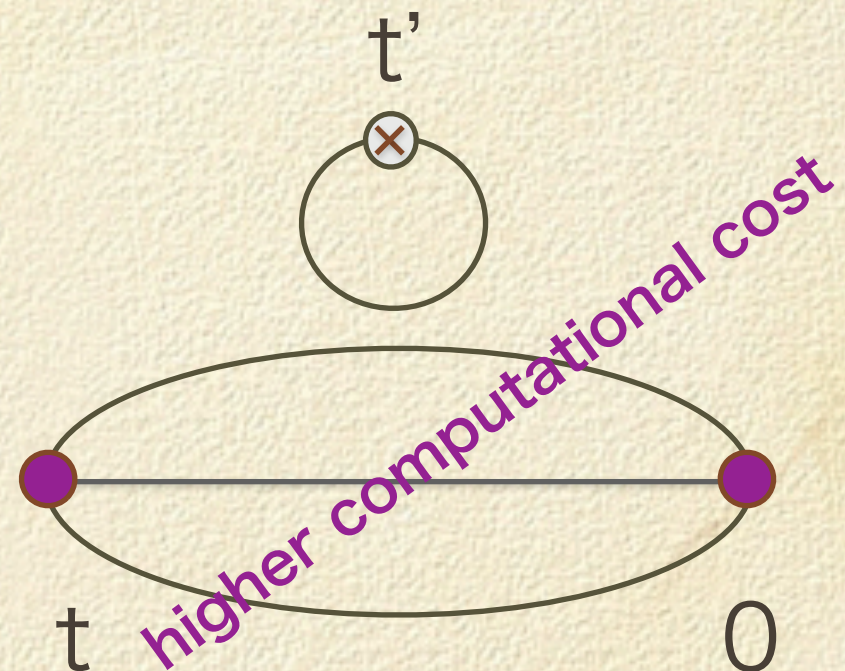


# Connected/disconnected diagrams

$\langle \mathcal{H}(t) \mathcal{O}(t') \mathcal{H}^\dagger(0) \rangle$  has **two** types of **quark contraction diagrams** (Wick contractions)



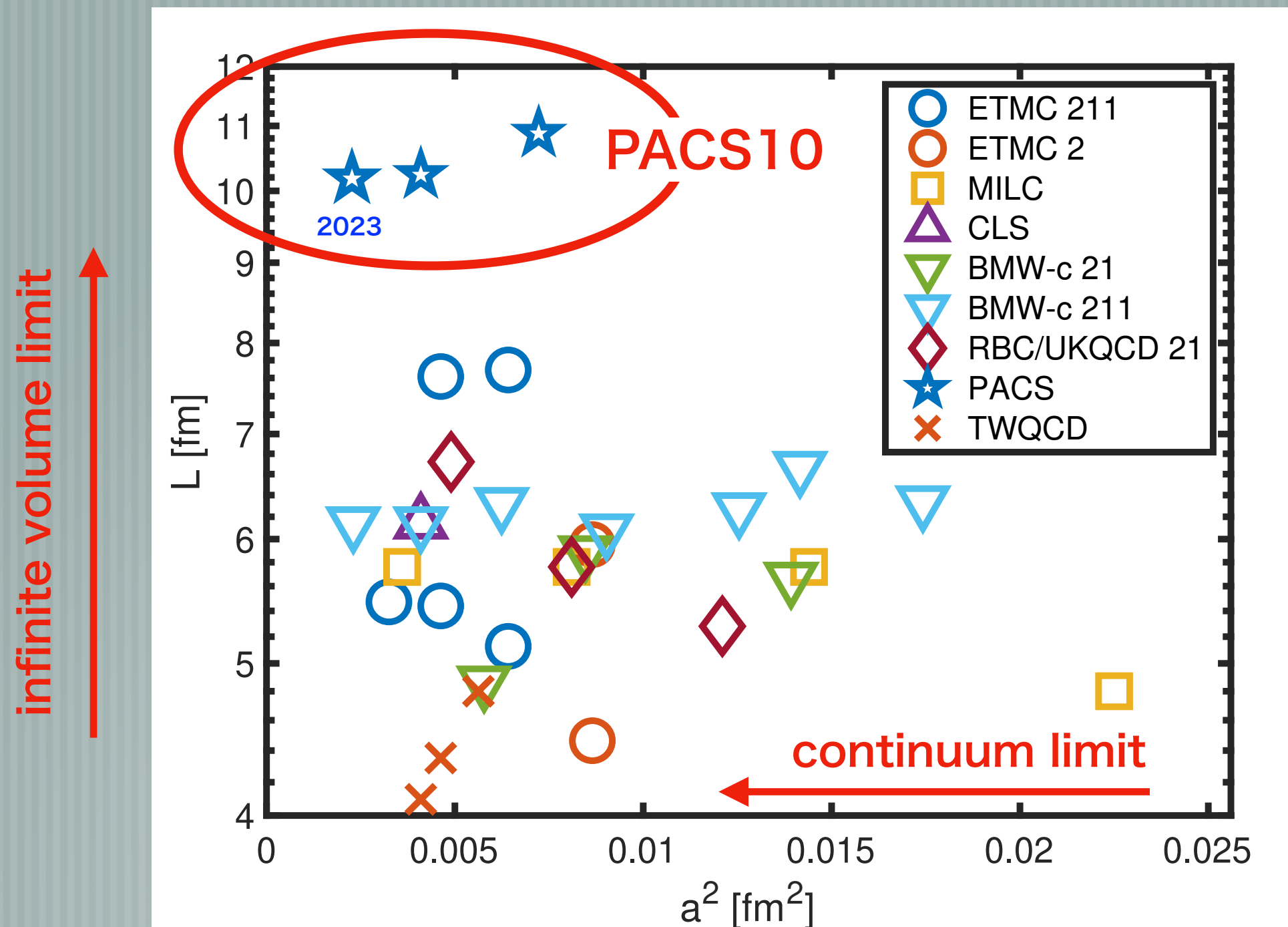
- ✓ **iso-vector** quantities
- ✓  $\beta$ -decay (weak matrix elements)



- ✓ **flavor diagonal** quantities
- ✓ electro-magnetic matrix elements



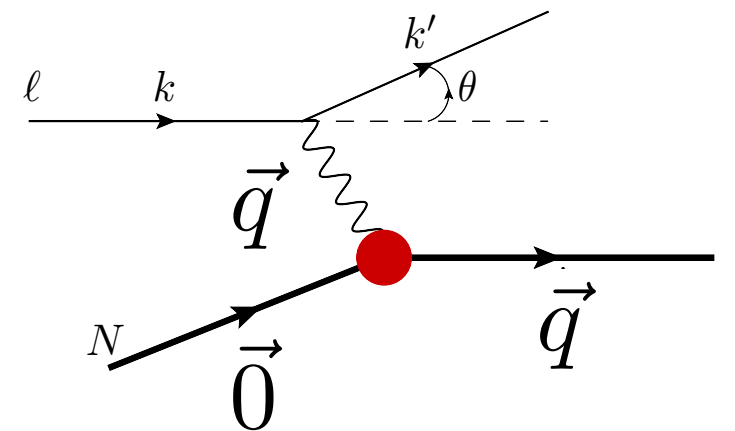
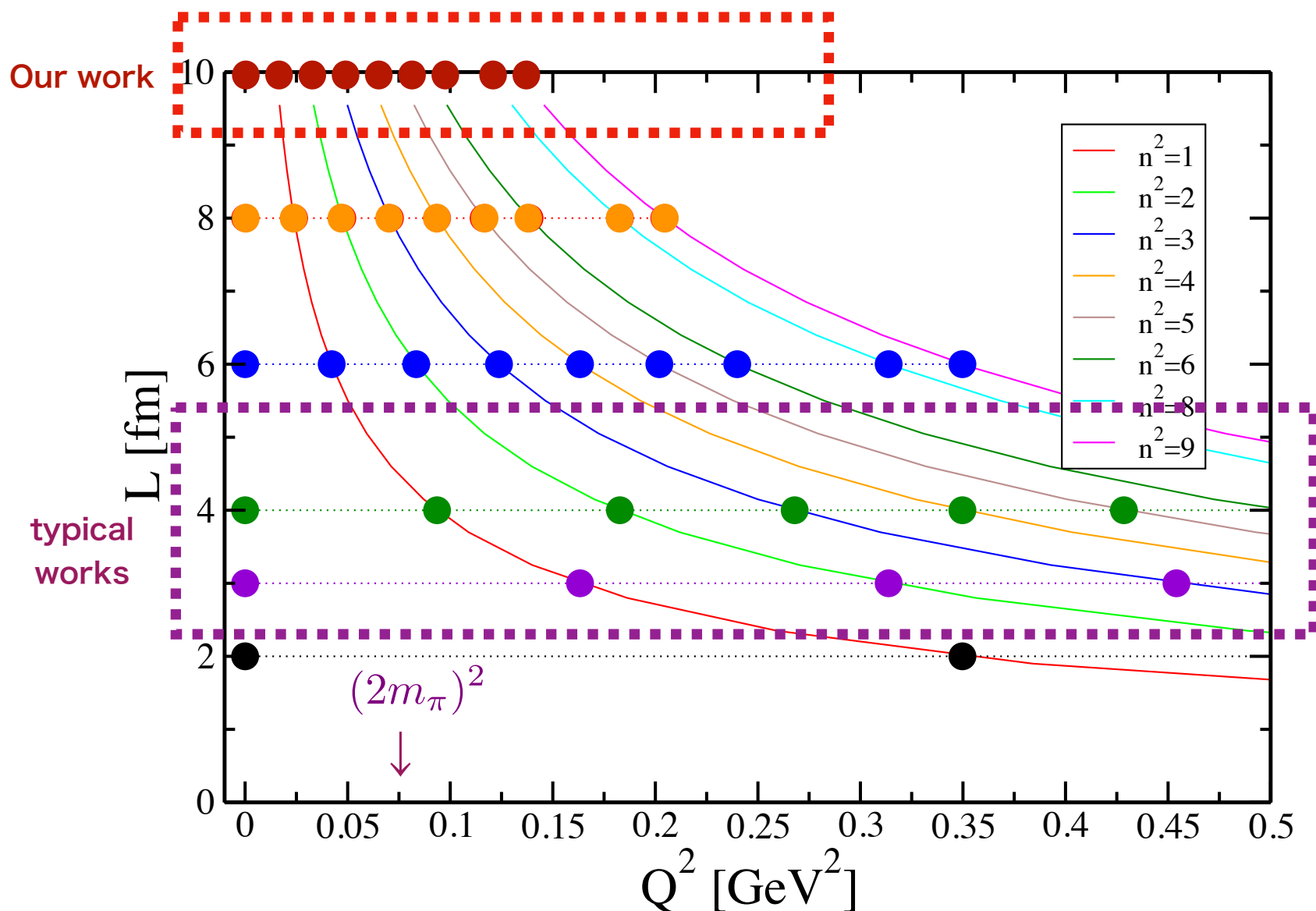
# World status of lattice QCD projects near the physical point



Plenary talk at Lattice 2022 given by Finkenrath

# How Large Spatial Size is Necessary?

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$$Q^2 = -q^2 = 2M_N(E(\vec{q}) - M_N)$$

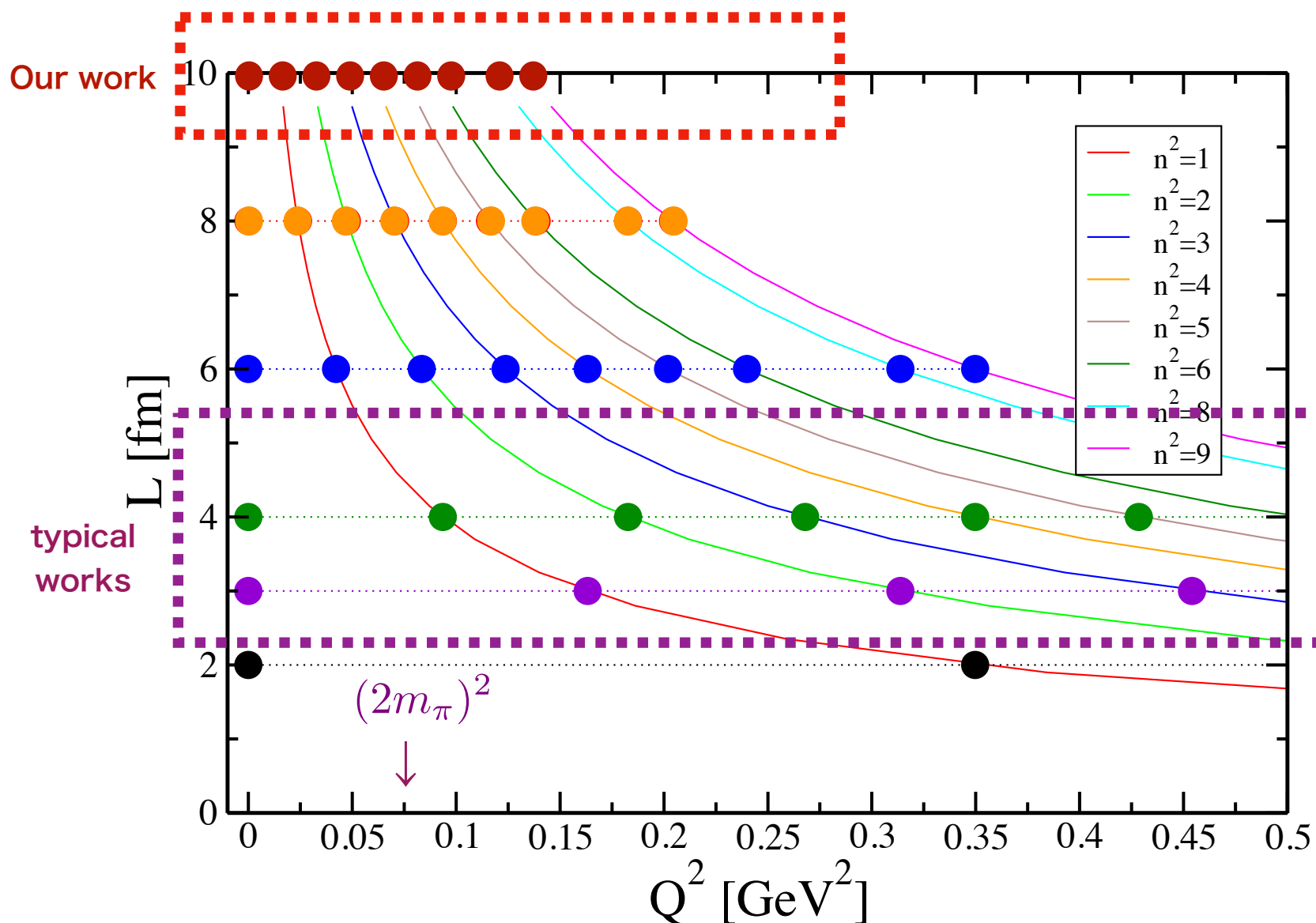
$$E(\vec{q}) = \sqrt{M_N^2 + \vec{q}^2}$$

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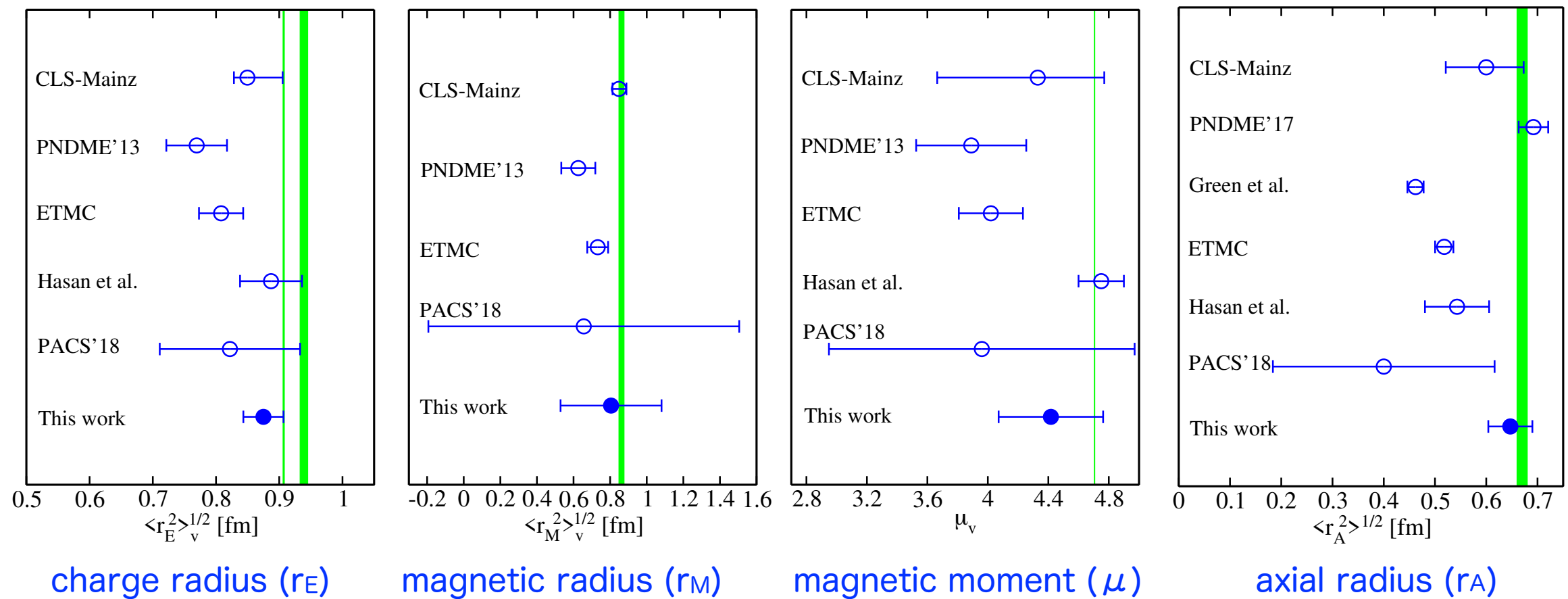
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Root-Mean-Square radius

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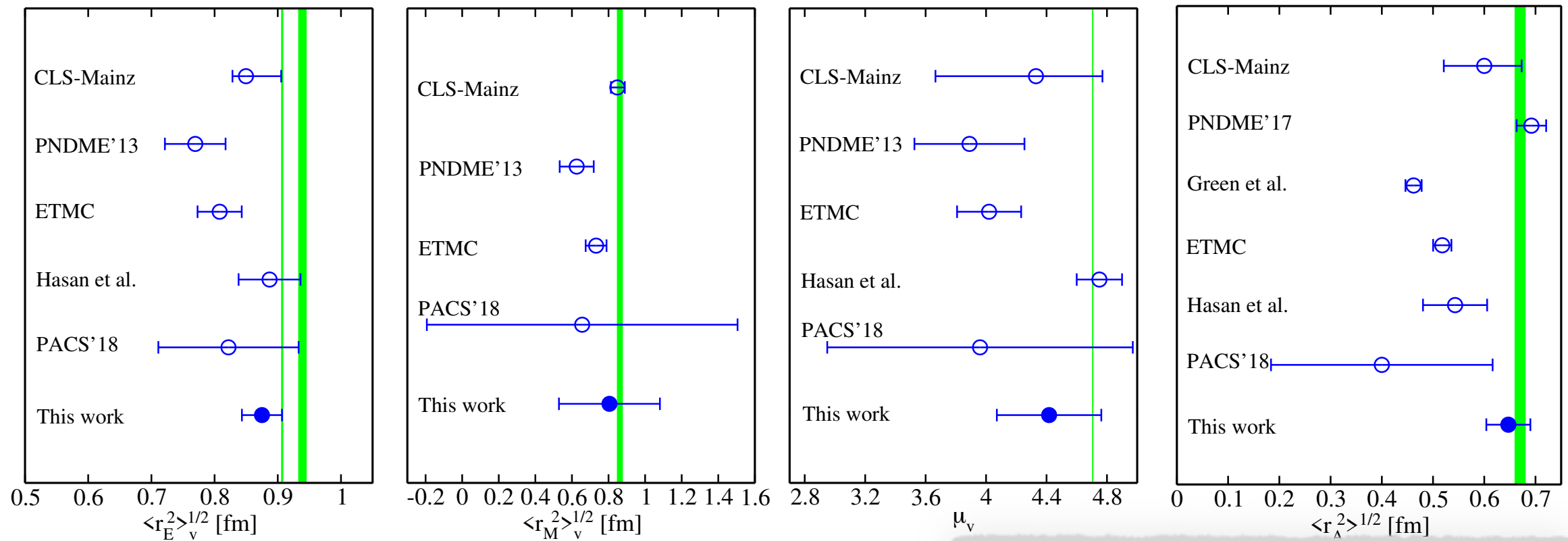
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5 years ago, I concluded that

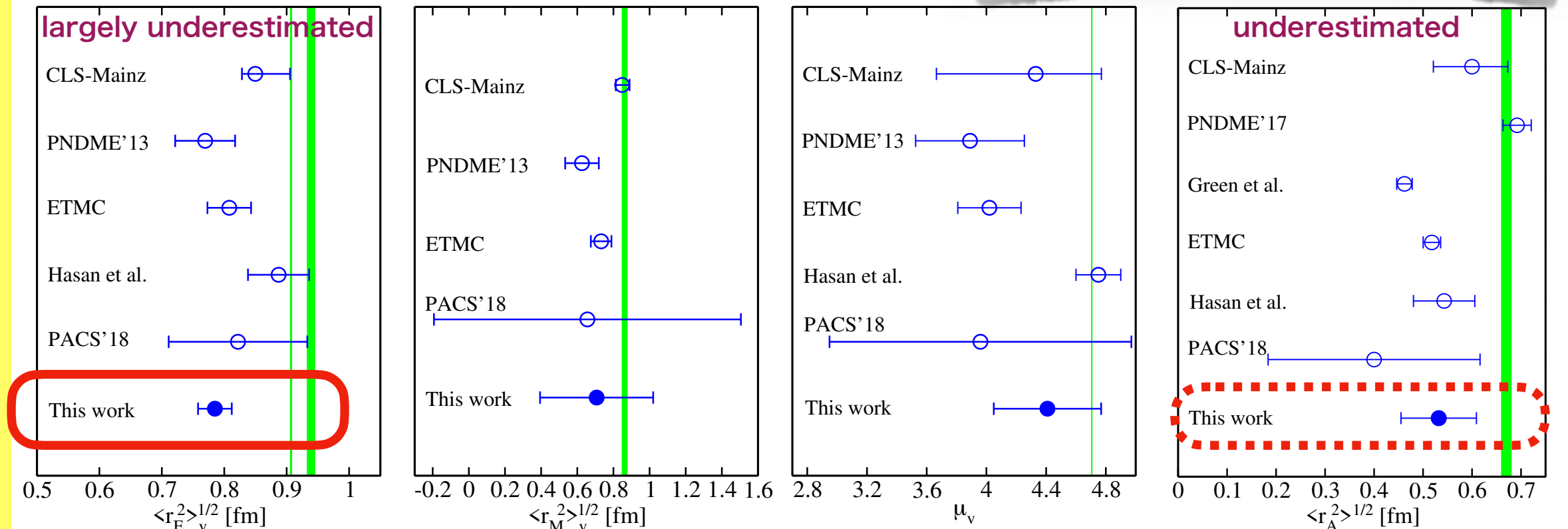
“All four quantities are consistent with experiments, as well as axial charge  $g_A$ ”

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## Erratum: PRD102 (2020) 019902

Using correct normalization



charge radius ( $r_E$ )

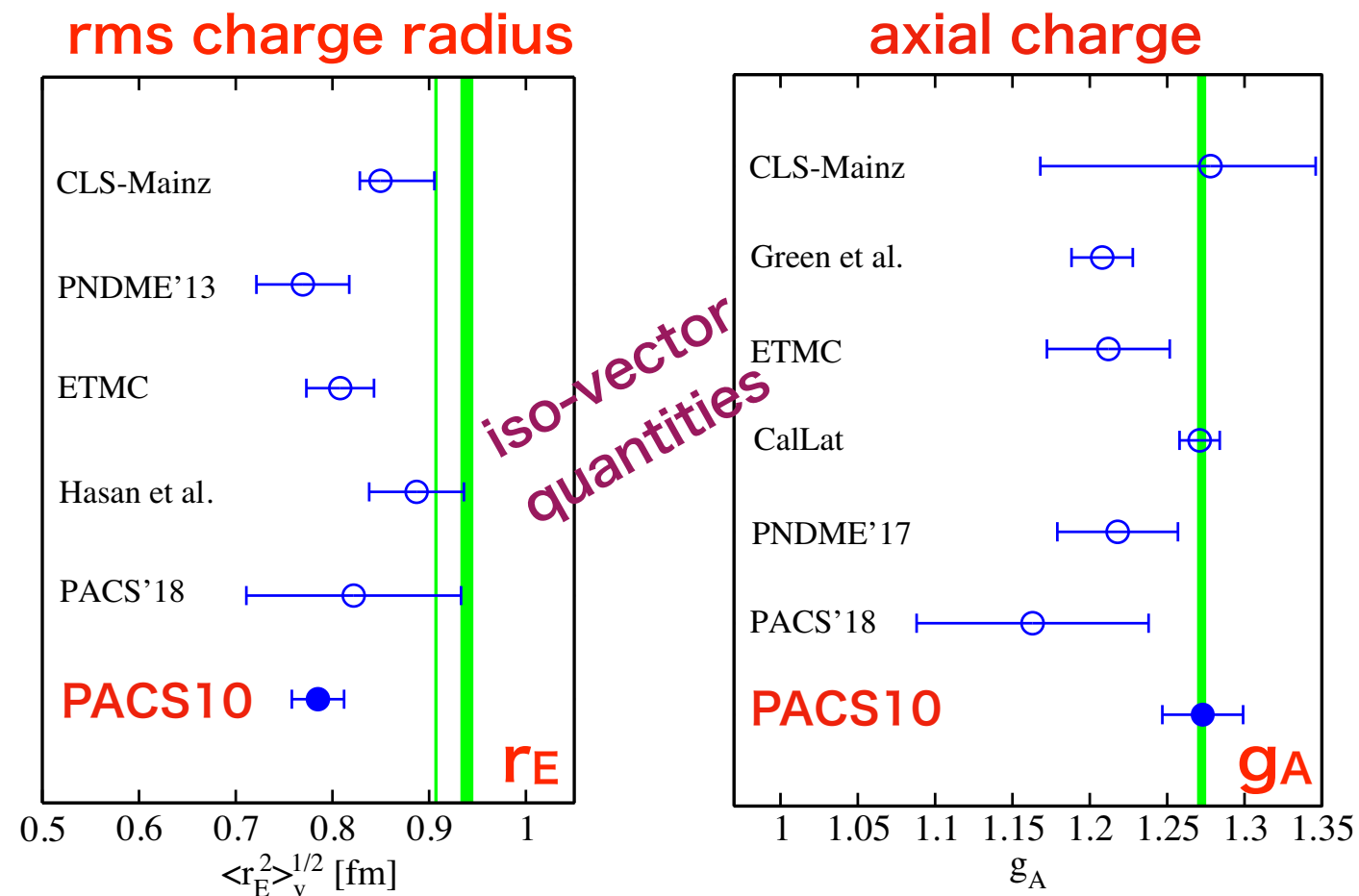
magnetic radius ( $r_M$ )

magnetic moment ( $\mu$ )

axial radius ( $r_A$ )

# Topics covered in this talk

- Our **new PACS10** results at  **$a=0.063$  fm**
- **$(10.1 \text{ fm})^3$**  spatial volume with  $m_\pi = 138$  MeV
- **lattice discretization uncertainties** on  **$r_E$**  and  **$g_A$**

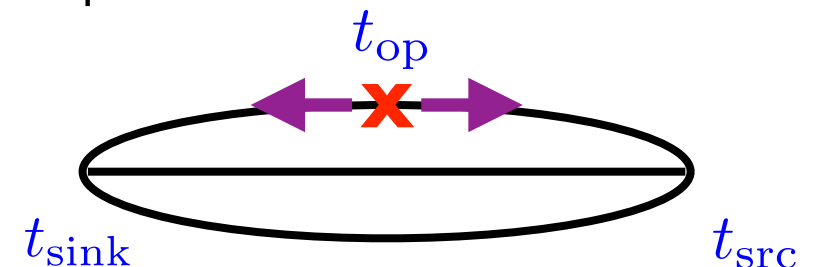


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# Measurement Details for 160<sup>4</sup>

- Statistics: 19 configs (every 10 trajectories)
  - All-mode averaging technique (E. Shintani et al., PRD91 (2015) 114511)
    - ➡ gain high statistical precision
  - O(100) measurements/config  $\Rightarrow$  O(10<sup>3</sup>–10<sup>4</sup>) measurements
- L<sup>3</sup> × T = 160<sup>3</sup> × 160  $\Rightarrow$  (~10.1 fm)<sup>3</sup> spatial volume
- 7 choices for spatial momenta:  $2\pi/L \times \vec{n}$ 
  - $\vec{n} = (1,0,0), (1,1,0), (1,1,1), (2,0,0), (2,1,0), (2,2,0)$
  - minimum momentum =  $2\pi/L \sim 122$  MeV thanks to L ~ 10.1 fm
  - allows to access FFs in the region of smaller Q<sup>2</sup>
- Exponentially smeared src/sink operators for 2-pt and 3-pt functions
- 3 different src-sink separations:  $t_{\text{sep}}/\alpha = 13, 16, 19$ 
  - fixed-sink in sequential source method
- Z<sub>A</sub> and Z<sub>V</sub> are determined in SF scheme



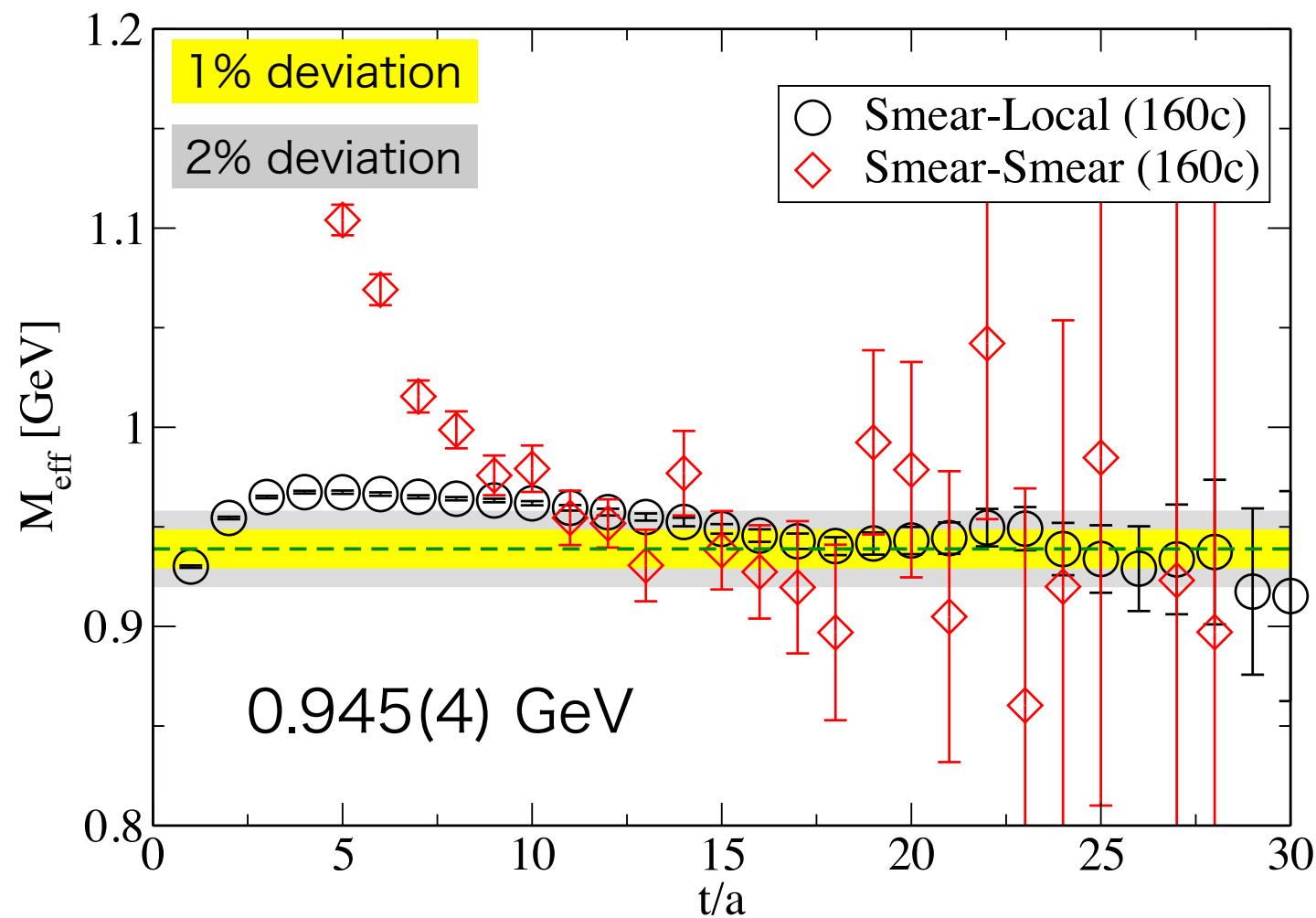


# Nucleon mass

$$M_N$$

# Effective mass plot for $M_N$

Smearing parameters are **highly tuned to maximize the ground-state dominance.**



$L^4=160^4, a=0.063$  fm

$$G(t) = \sum_i A_i \exp(-M_i t)$$

A sum of exponential func.

$$M_0 < M_1 < \dots$$

$$M_{\text{eff}}(t) = \ln\{G(t)/G(t+1)\}$$

$$\xrightarrow[t \rightarrow \infty]{} M_0$$

$$A_0 \gg A_i > 0$$

**Achieving a percent level precision on the nucleon mass**



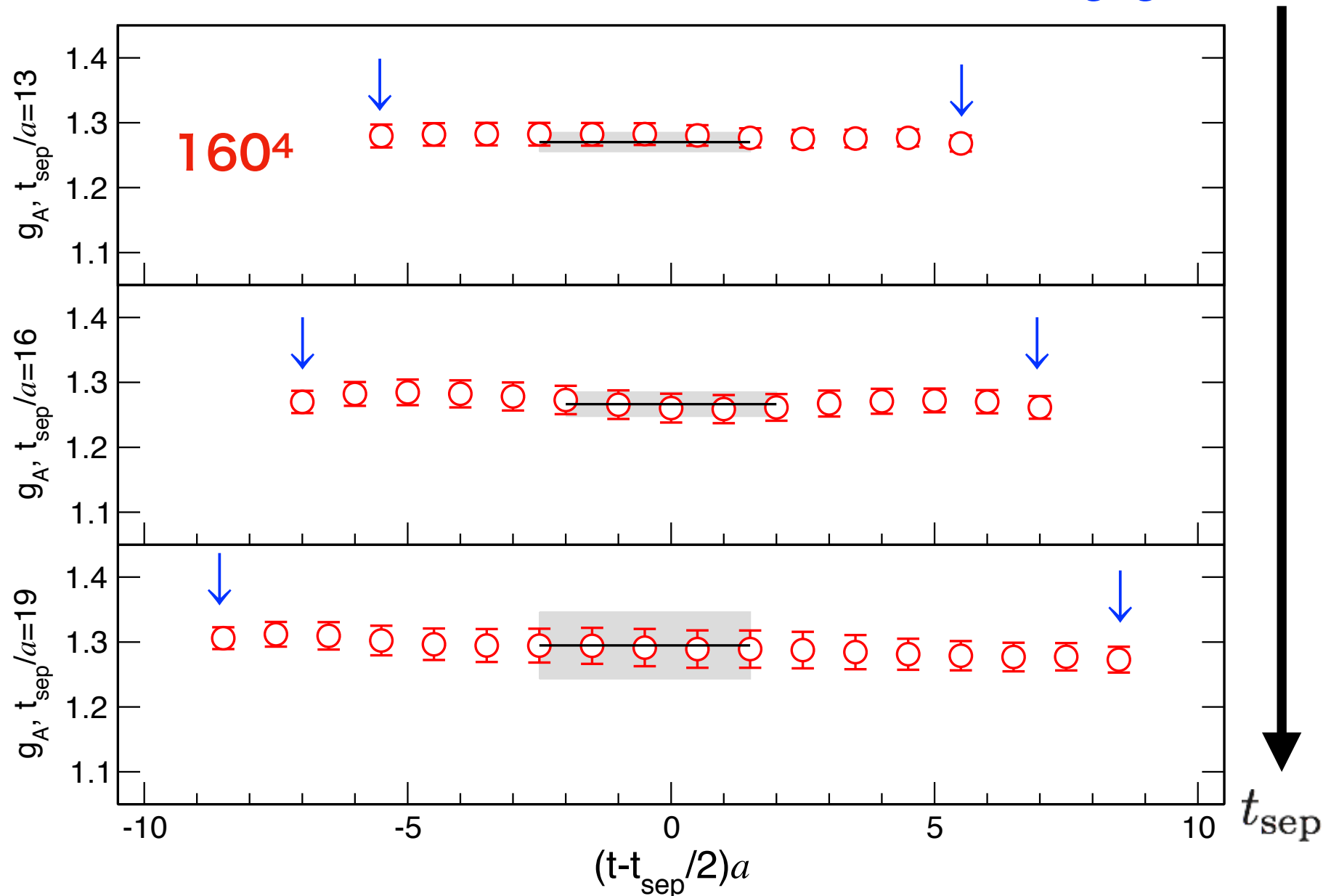
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$g_A$

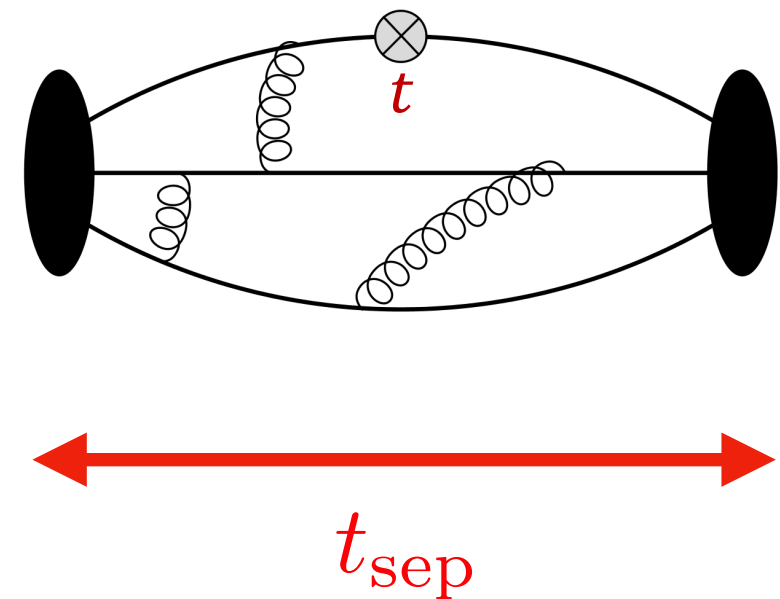
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Tsuji et al. arXiv: 2311.10345

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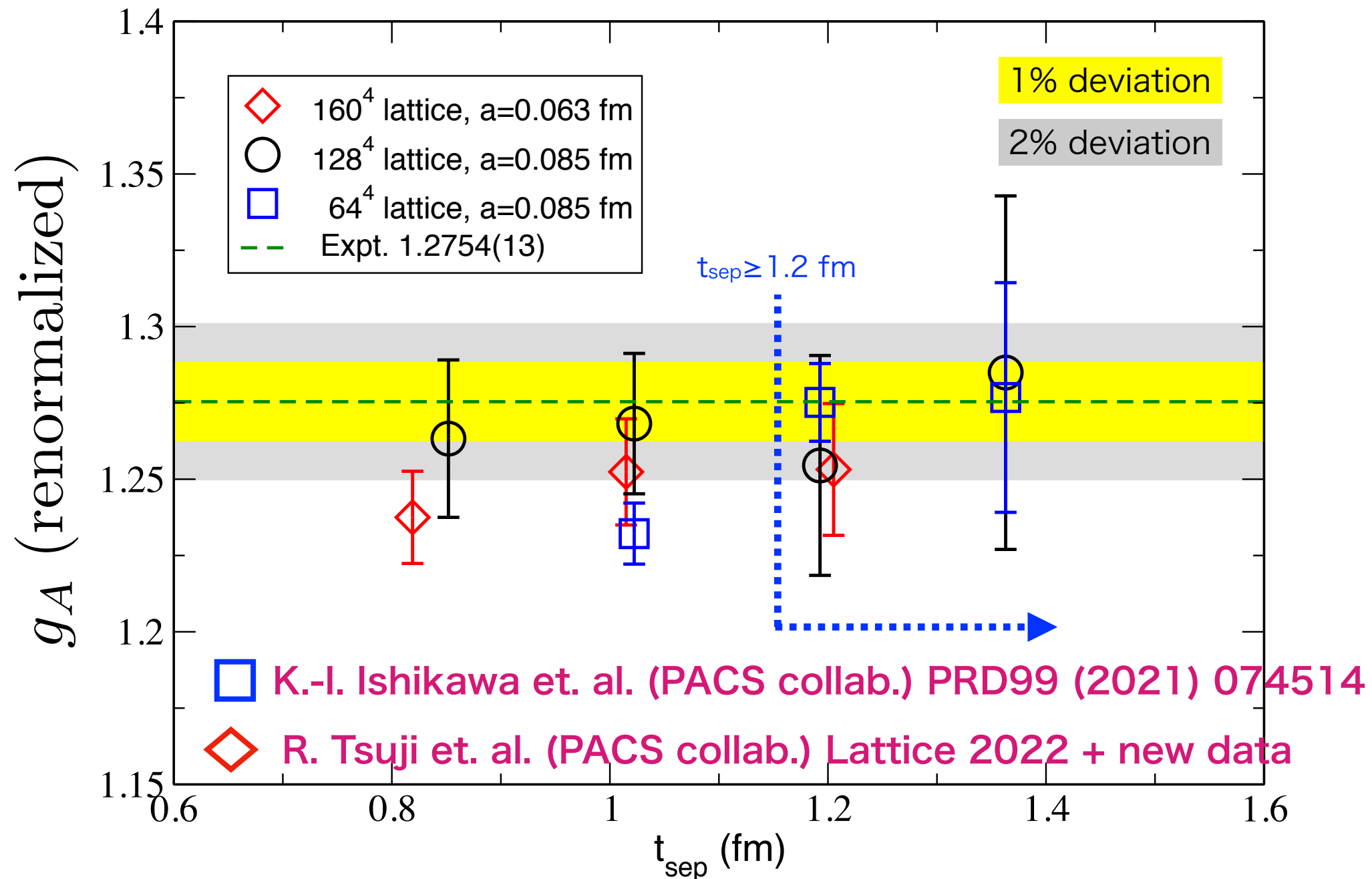


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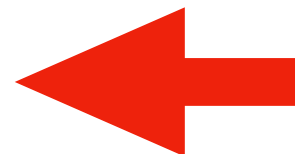
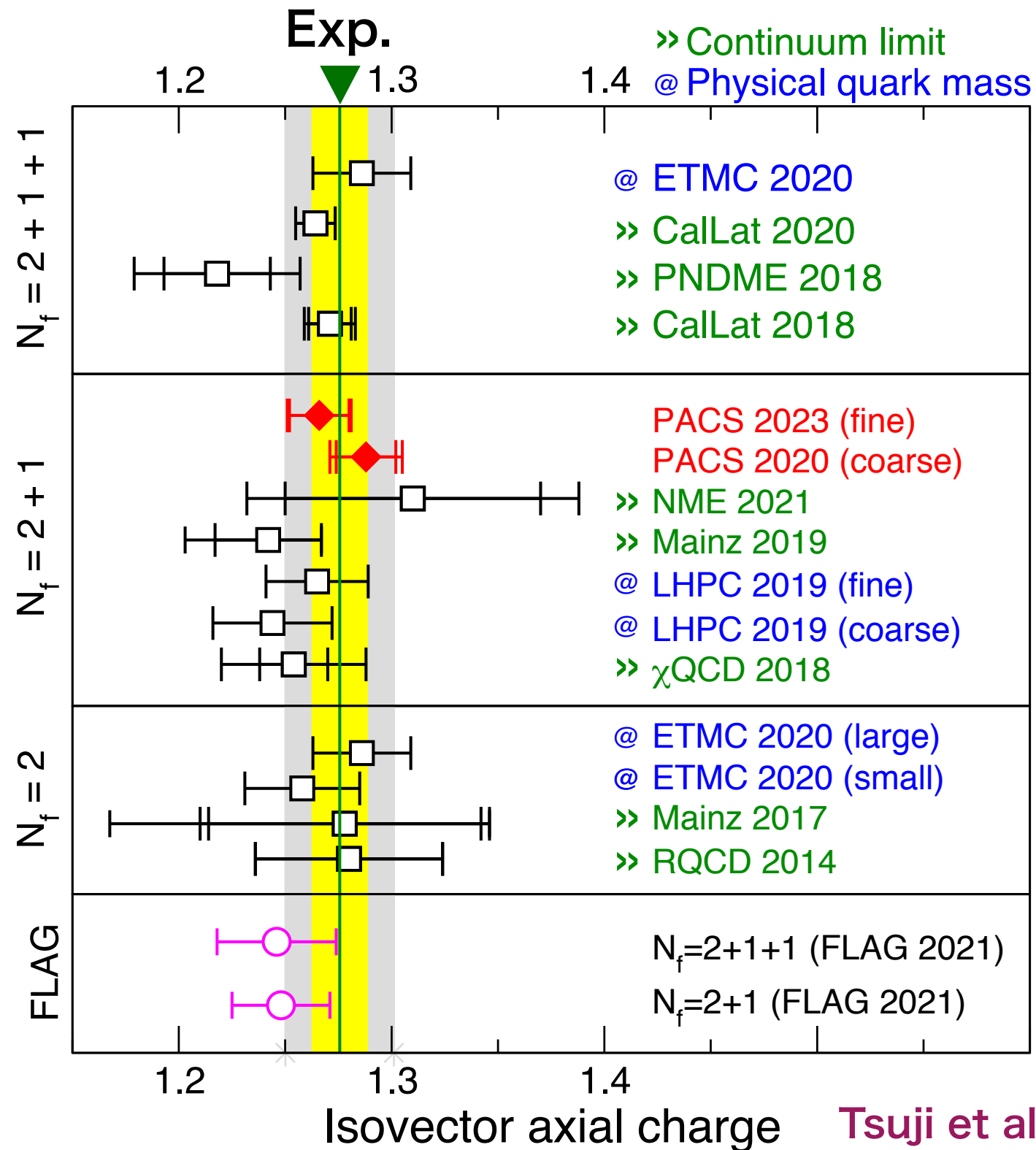


Effect of excited state contamination is negligible for  $t_{\text{sep}} \geq 1.2$  fm.  
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Lattice discretization error on  $g_A$  is negligibly small ( $< 1\%$ )

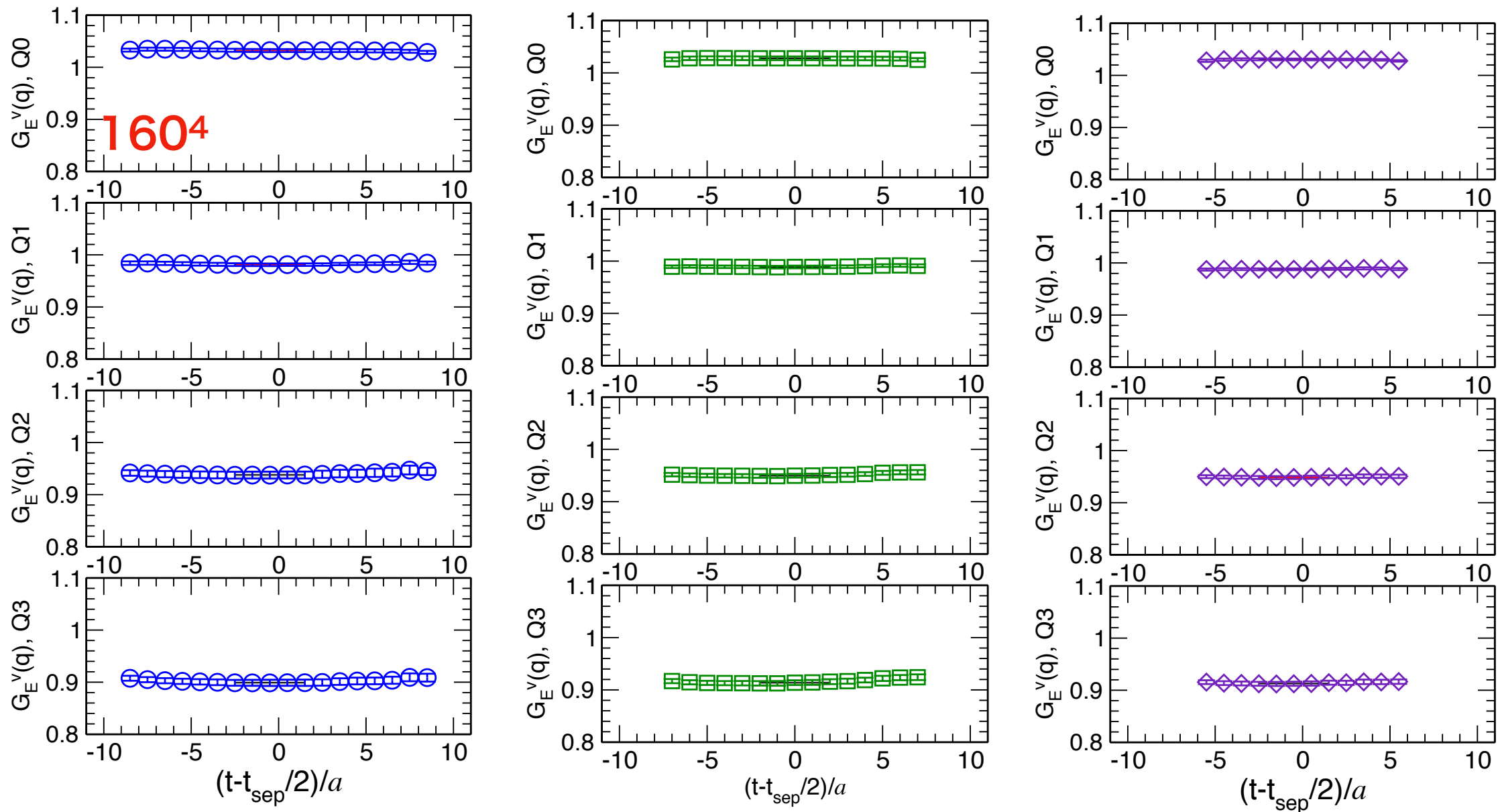


Electric form factor

$G_E$

# Ratio for iso-vector $G_E(q^2)$

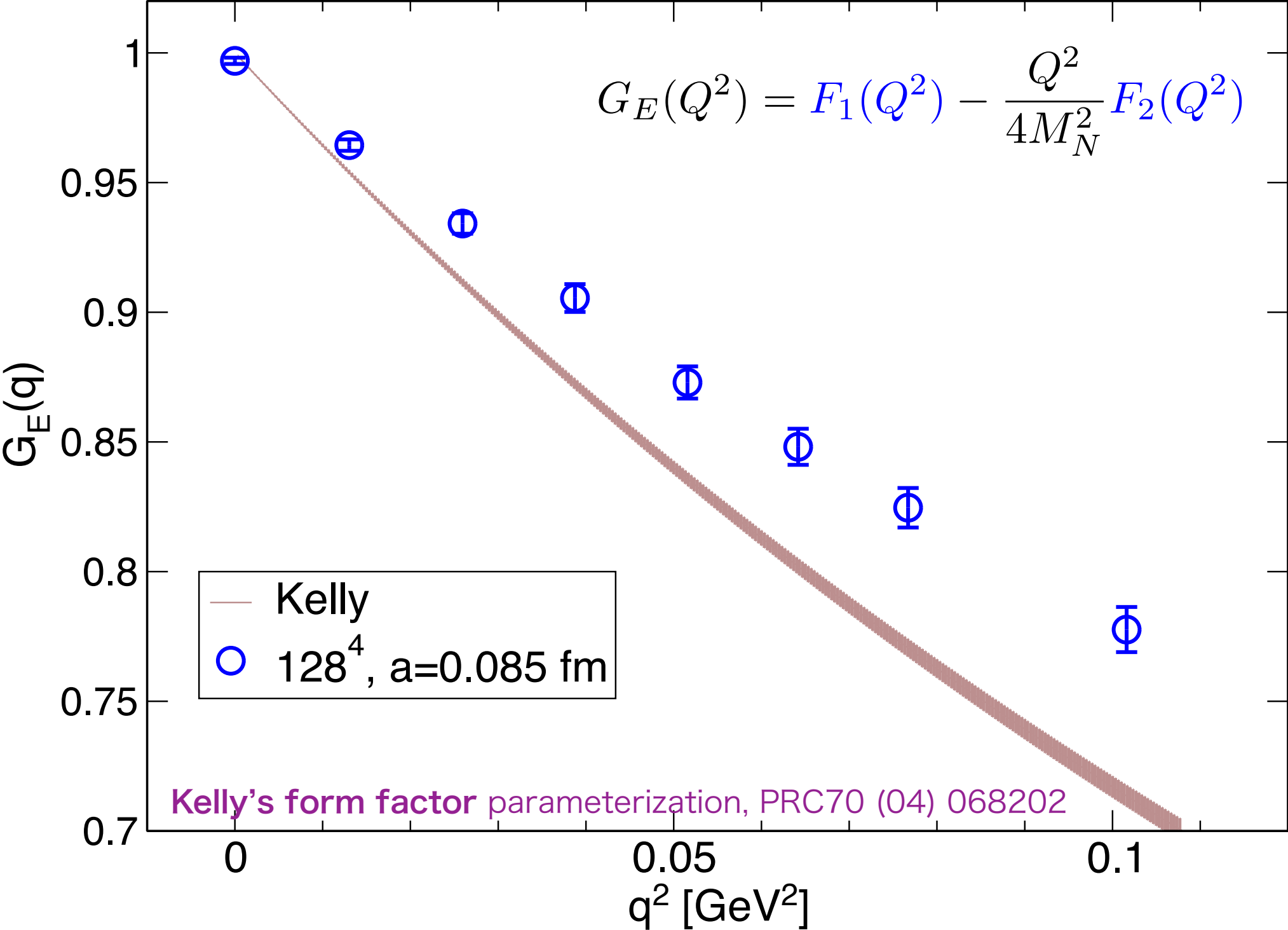
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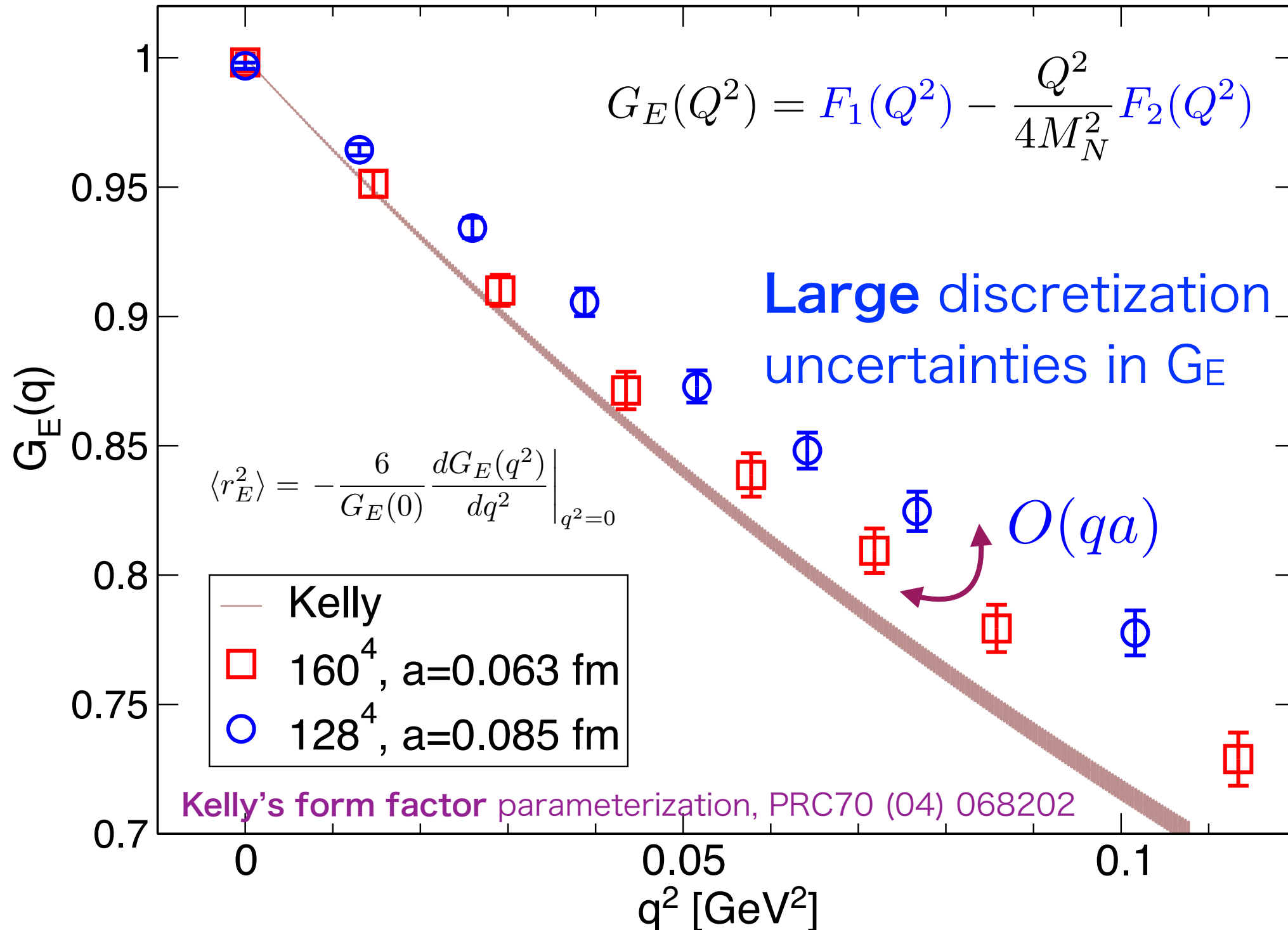
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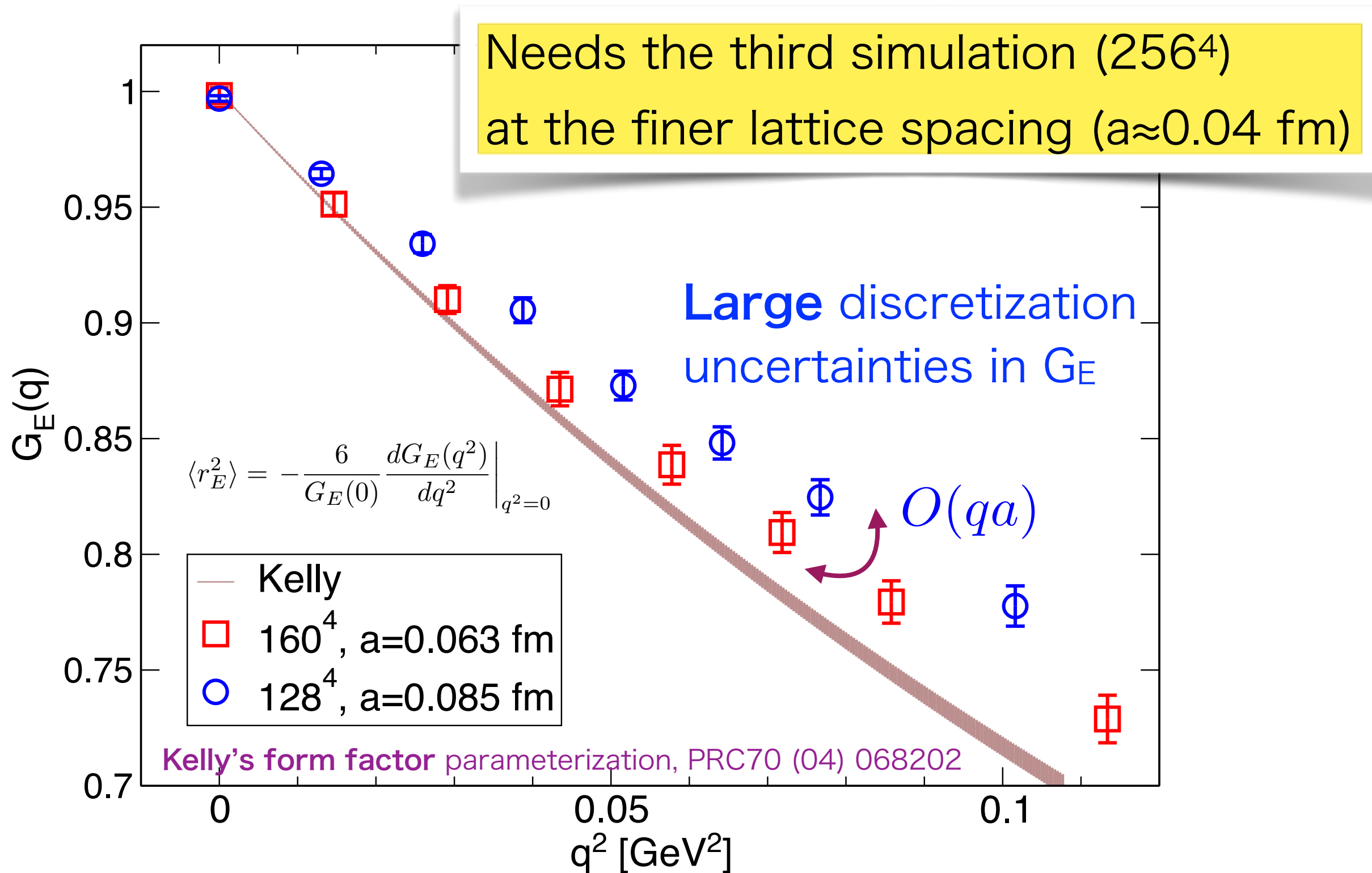
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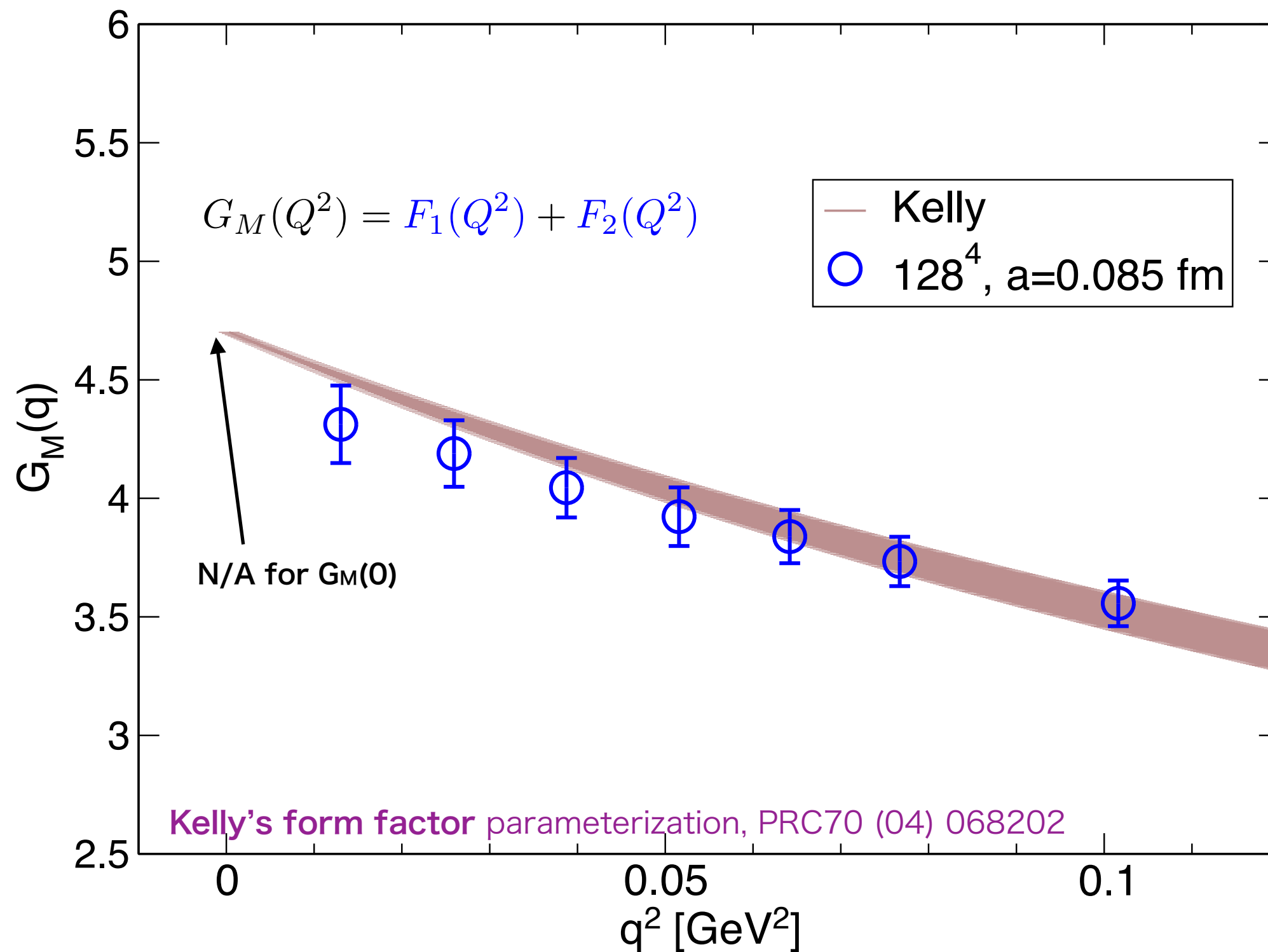


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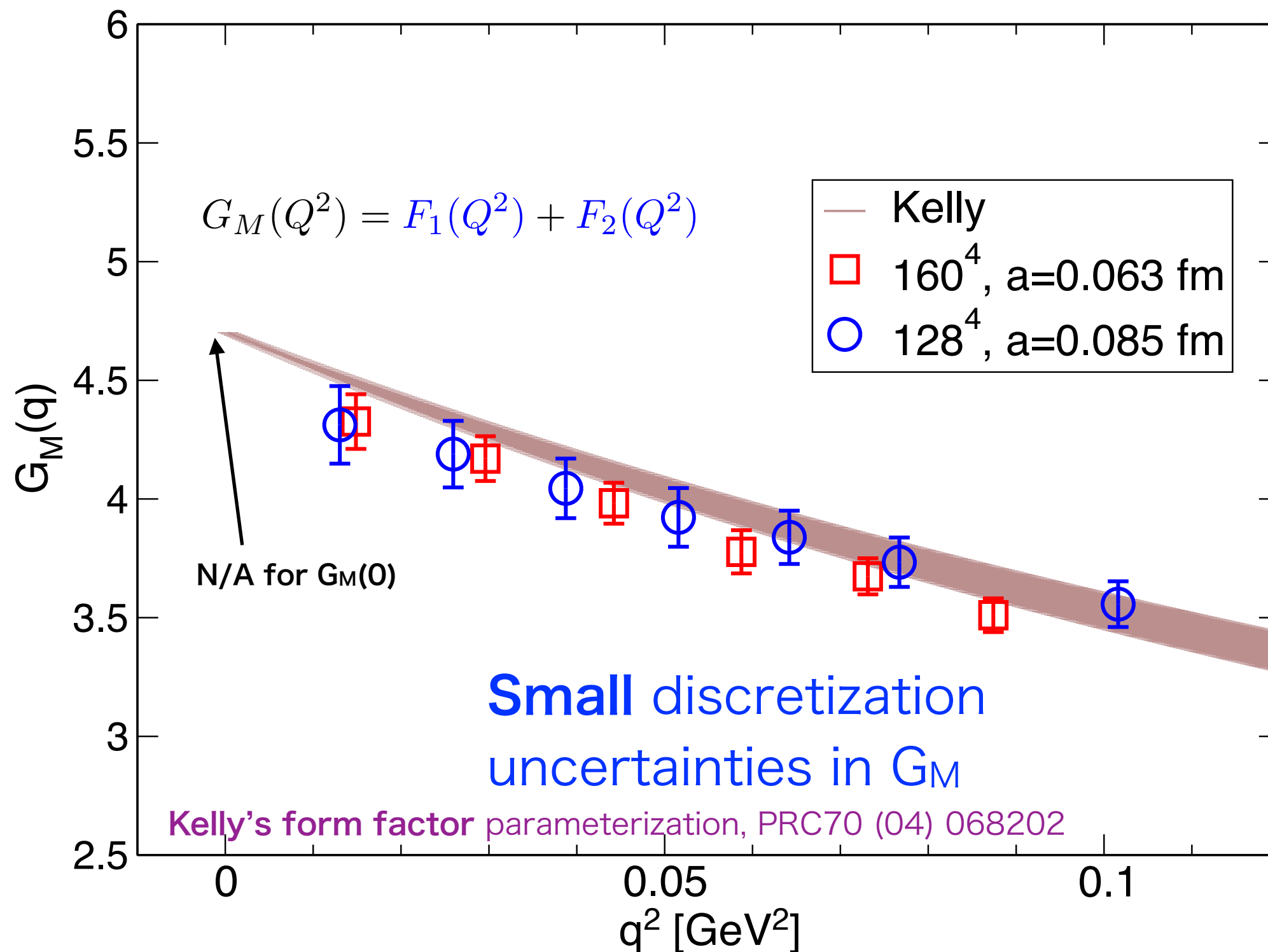
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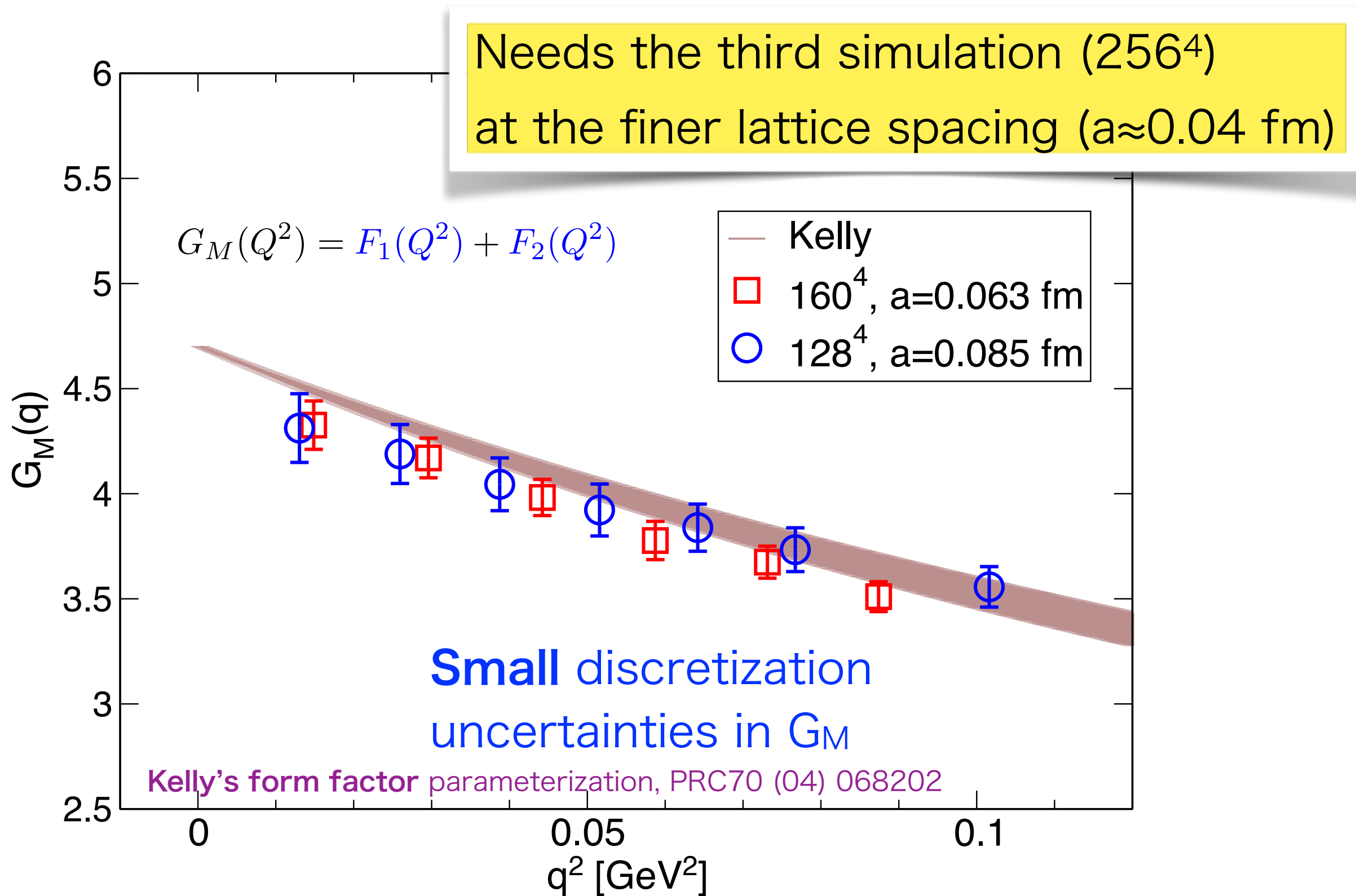
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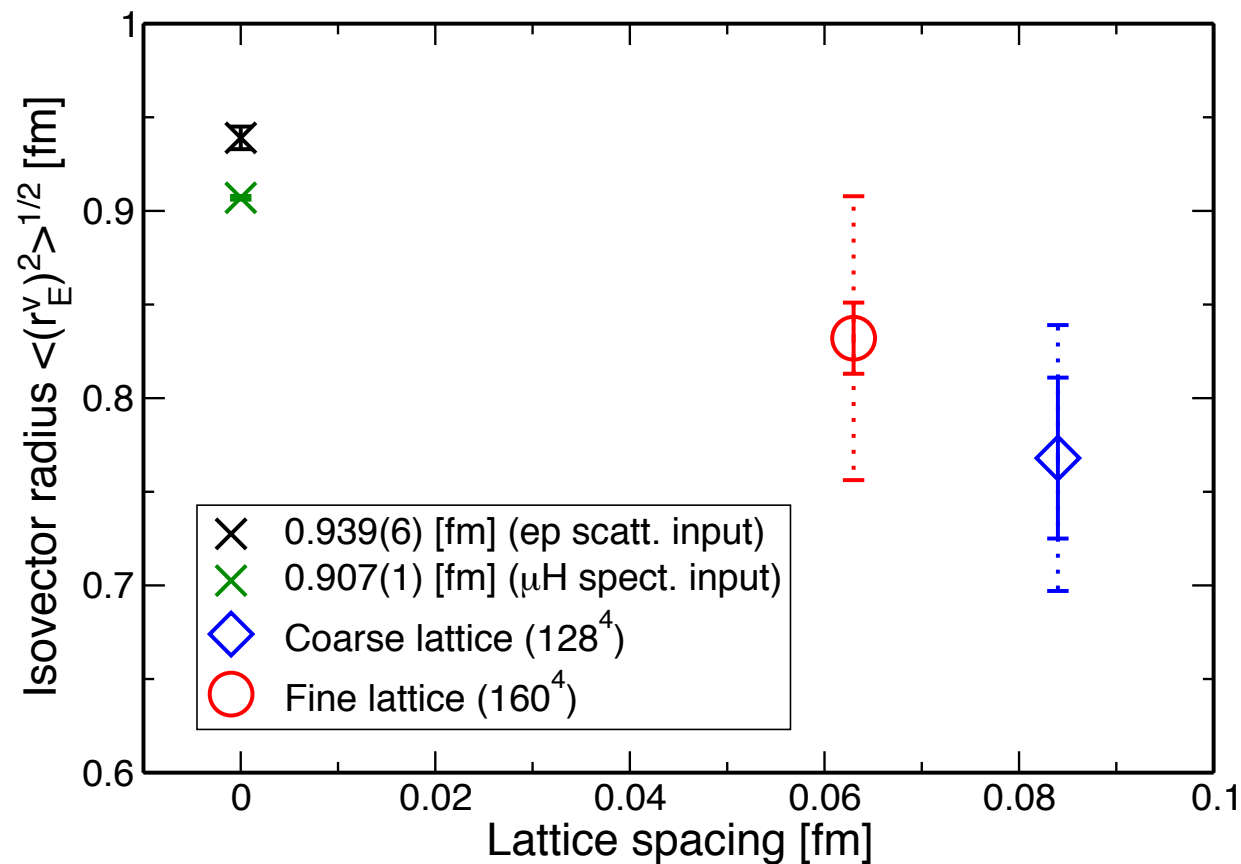
- We have studied nucleon form factors (vector/axial-vector) calculated in 2+1 flavor QCD **at the physical point** on **(10 fm)<sup>4</sup>** lattice at **two lattice spacings (a=0.085 and 0.063 fm)**
  - ✓ Large spatial volume allows investigation in the **small momentum transfer region**,  $q^2 < (2 m_\pi)^2$
  - ✓ **High statistical precision** is achieved by all-mode averaging technique
  - ✓  $t_{\text{sep}}$  dependence is systematically investigated
    - ➔  $g_A$  and  $G_E$ ,  $G_M$  show **no  $t_{\text{sep}}$  dependence**
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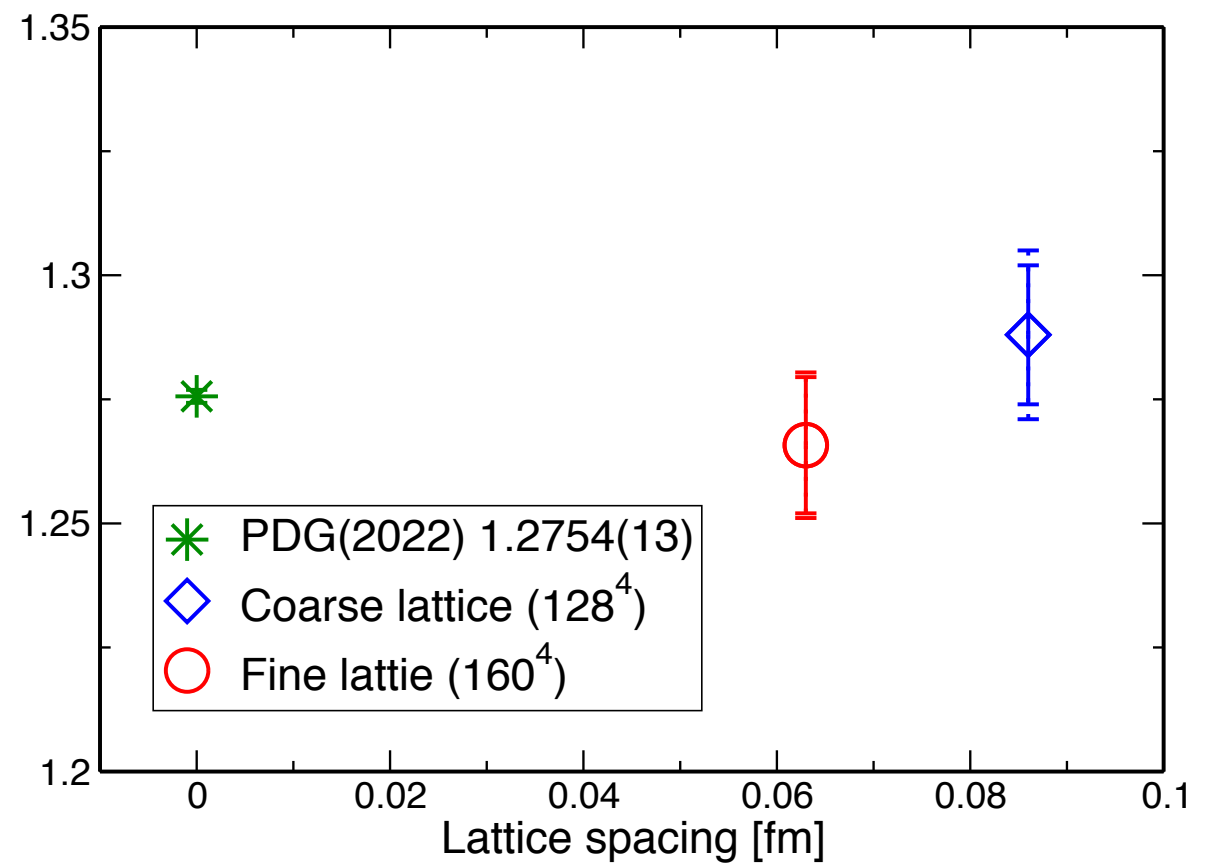
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**Significantly large ( ~10% )**

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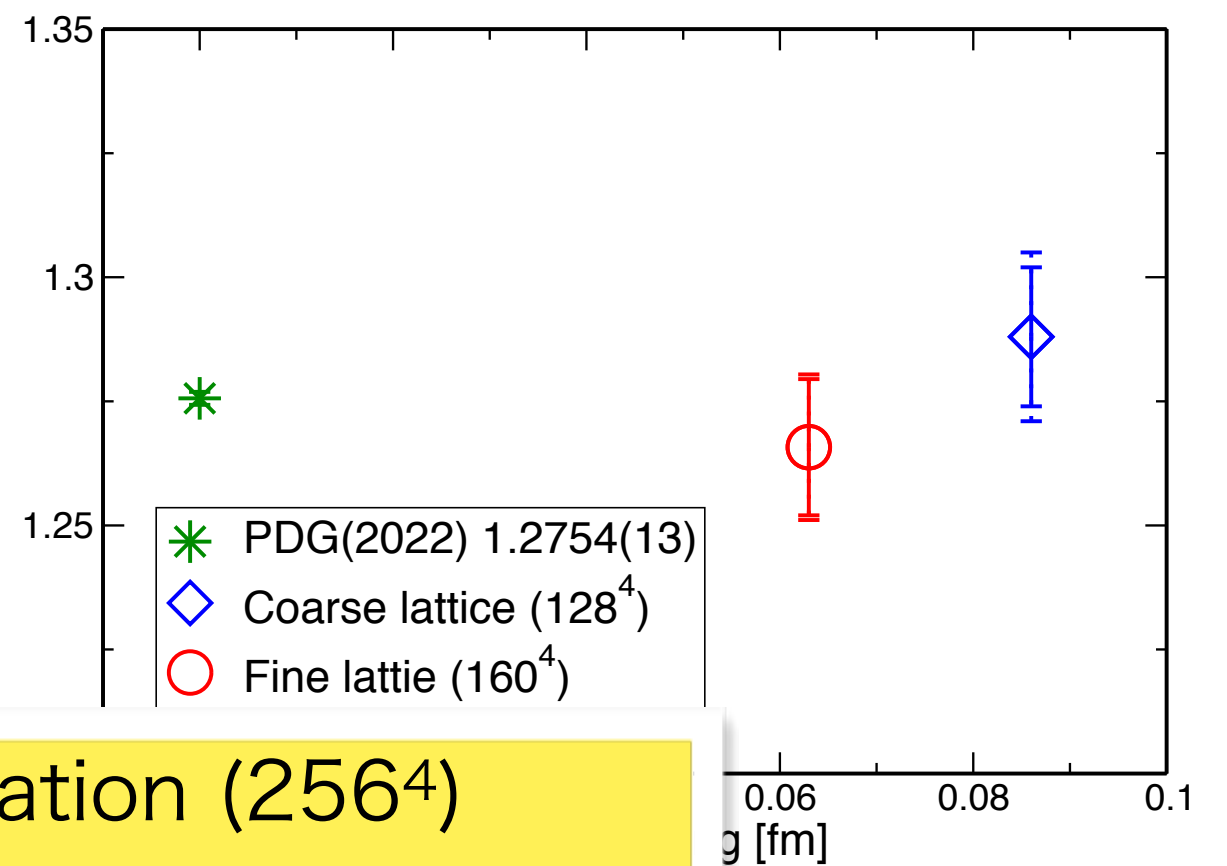
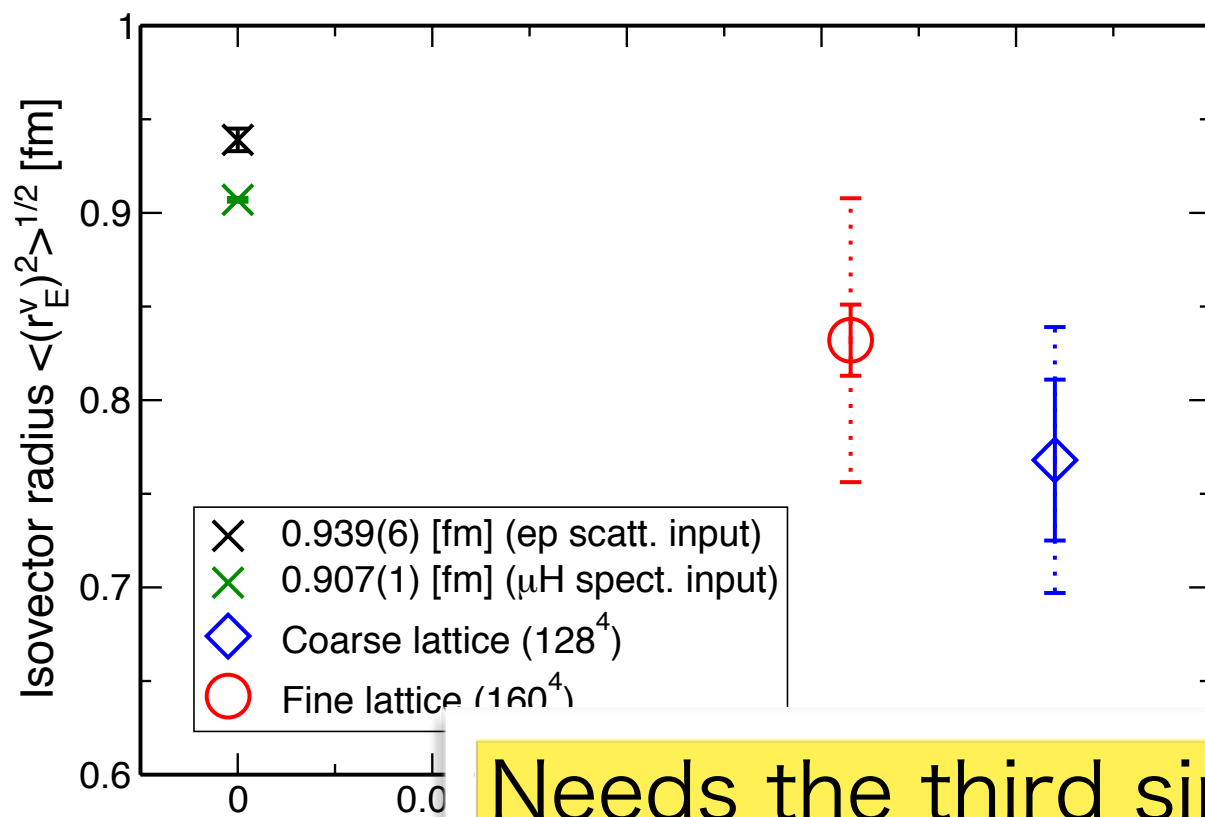
**Negligibly small ( < 1% )**

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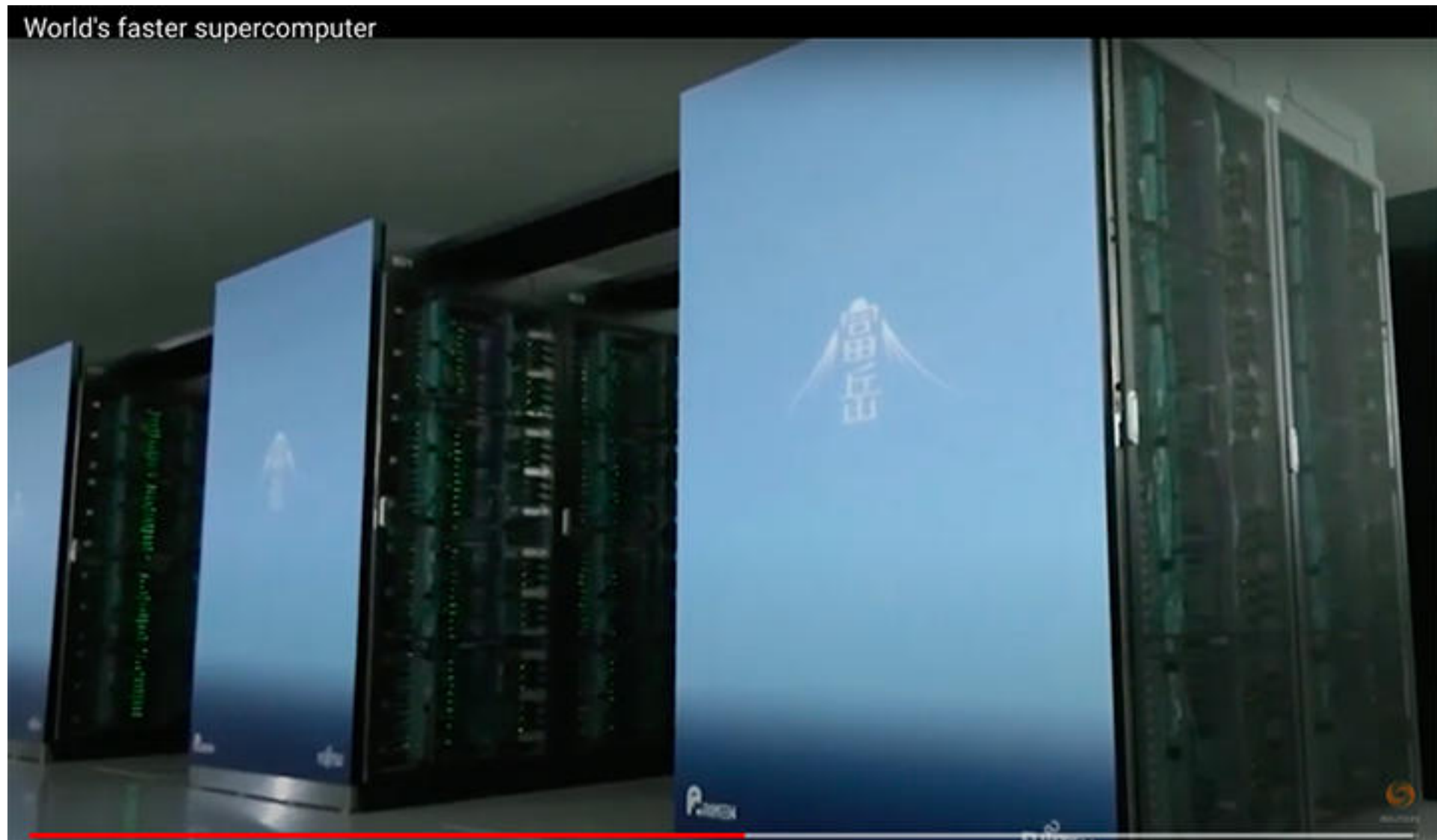
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Needs the third simulation ( $256^4$ )  
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# 3rd simulation performed on Fugaku



The third simulation ( $256^4$ ) at the finer lattice spacing ( $a \approx 0.04$  fm)

👉 I hope to show you new results soon