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The form factor for $B \rightarrow \pi$ semileptonic decay from 2+1 flavors of domain-wall fermions

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Why we compute the $B \rightarrow \pi$ form factor on the Lattice

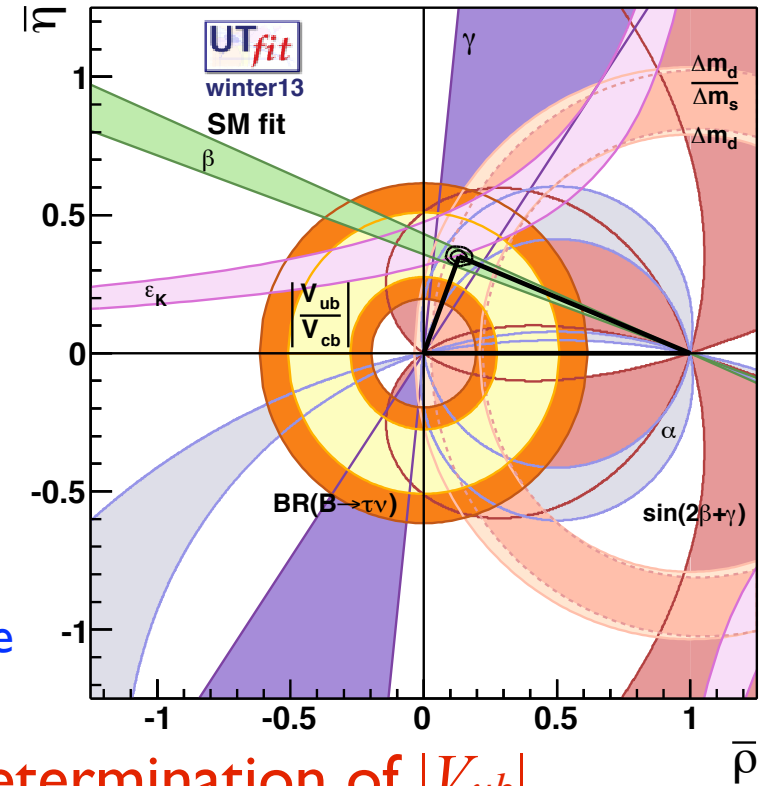
A precise determination of V_{ub} allows a strong test of the standard model

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 (orange ring) comes from the uncertainty of $|V_{ub}|$. $\sim 7\%$ inclusive / $\sim 10\%$ exclusive



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 ($B \rightarrow X_{ul} l \nu$) determination.

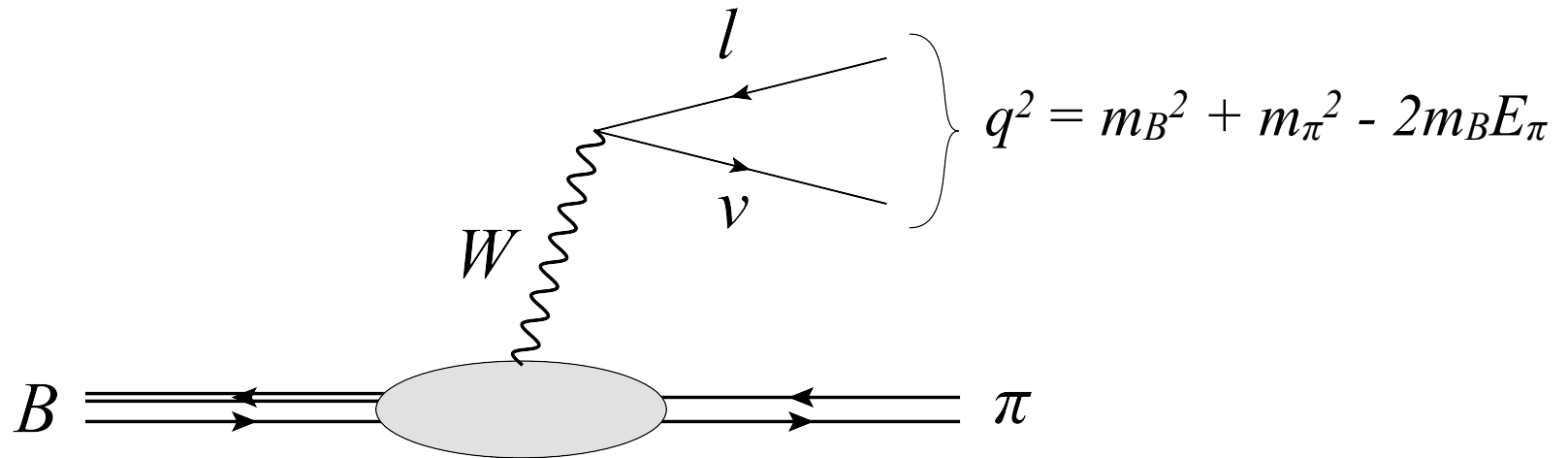
J. Laiho, E. Lunghi, and R. S. Van de Water, Phys. Rev. D81, 034503 (2010)

- $\text{BR}(B \rightarrow \tau \nu)$ leads to larger $|V_{ub}|$ which disagrees with an average of $|V_{ub}|_{\text{excl}}$ and $|V_{ub}|_{\text{incl}}$ by more than 2σ . (although the most recent Belle hadronic tagging measurement is 2σ lower than the previous experimental average and in better agreement with other determinations of $|V_{ub}|$)

E. Lunghi and A. Soni, Phys.Lett. B697, 323 (2011)

Why we compute the $B \rightarrow \pi$ form factor on the Lattice

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



- The exclusive $B \rightarrow \pi l \nu$ semileptonic decay allows the determination of $|V_{ub}|$ via:

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

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

How to calculate $f_{+/\perp}(q^2)$ from Lattice QCD

- 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 .

$$\langle \pi | V_\mu | B \rangle = f_+(q^2) \left(p_B^\mu + p_\pi^\mu - \frac{m_B^2 - m_\pi^2}{q^2} q^\mu \right) + f_0(q^2) \frac{m_B^2 - m_\pi^2}{q^2} q^\mu$$

- On the lattice, we calculate the form factors f_{\parallel} and f_{\perp} .
 - ▶ Proportional to vector current matrix elements in the B -meson rest frame:

$$f_{\parallel}(E_\pi) = \langle \pi | V_0 | B \rangle / \sqrt{2m_B}$$
$$f_{\perp}(E_\pi) p_i = \langle \pi | V_i | B \rangle / \sqrt{2m_B}$$

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

$$f_0(q^2) = \frac{\sqrt{2m_B}}{m_B^2 - m_\pi^2} [(m_B - E_\pi) f_{\parallel}(E_\pi) + (E_\pi^2 - m_\pi^2) f_{\perp}(E_\pi)]$$
$$f_+(q^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m_B}} [f_{\parallel}(E_\pi) + (m_B - E_\pi) f_{\perp}(E_\pi)]$$

Lattice action and parameters

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

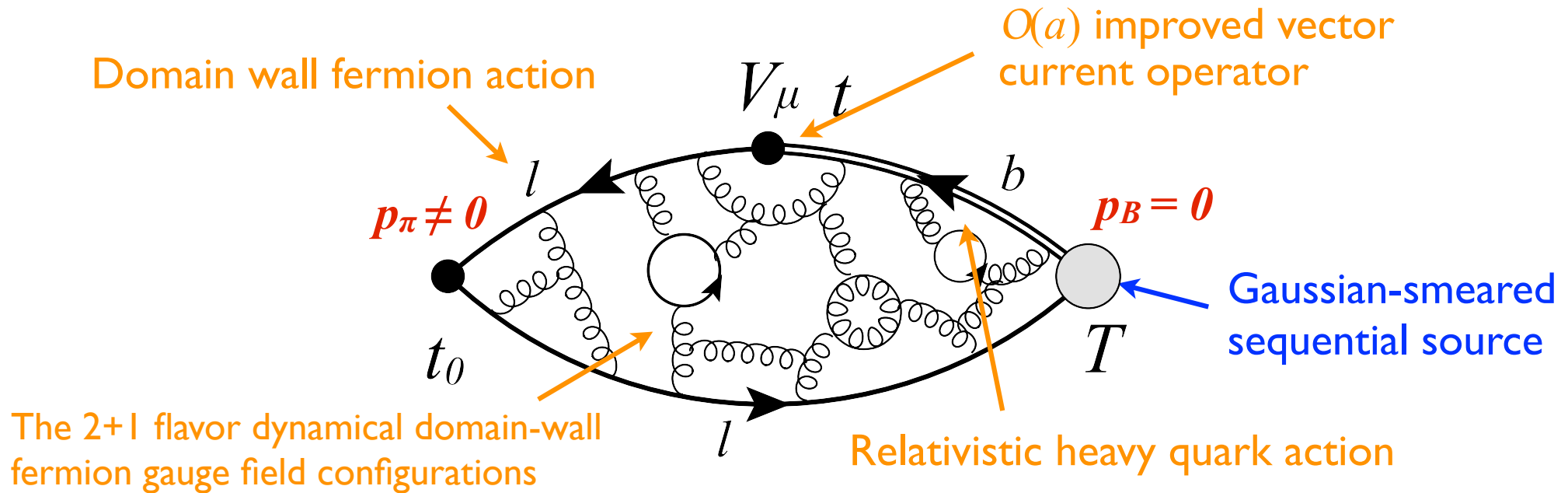
C. Allton et al. (RBC-UKQCD), Phys. Rev. D78, 114509 (2008)

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

	$L \times T$	a [fm]	m_{sea}^{ud}	m_{sea}^s	m_{sea}^π [MeV]	# of configs.	# of sources
Fine Lattice	32×64	≈ 0.08	0.004	0.030	289	628	2
	32×64	≈ 0.08	0.006	0.030	345	445	2
	32×64	≈ 0.08	0.008	0.030	394	544	2
Coarse Lattice	24×64	≈ 0.11	0.005	0.040	329	1636	1
	24×64	≈ 0.11	0.010	0.040	422	1419	1

- 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).

How to calculate $f_{+/\perp}(q^2)$ from Lattice QCD



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

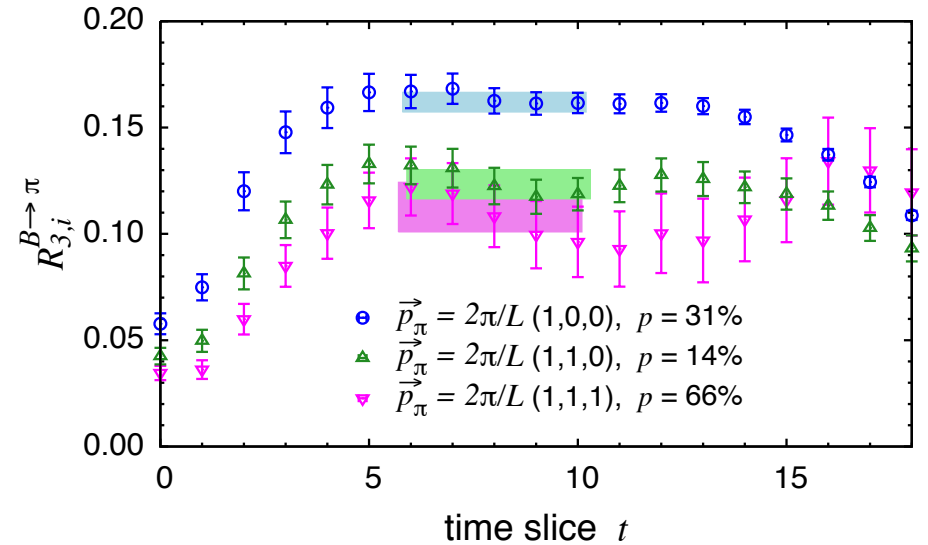
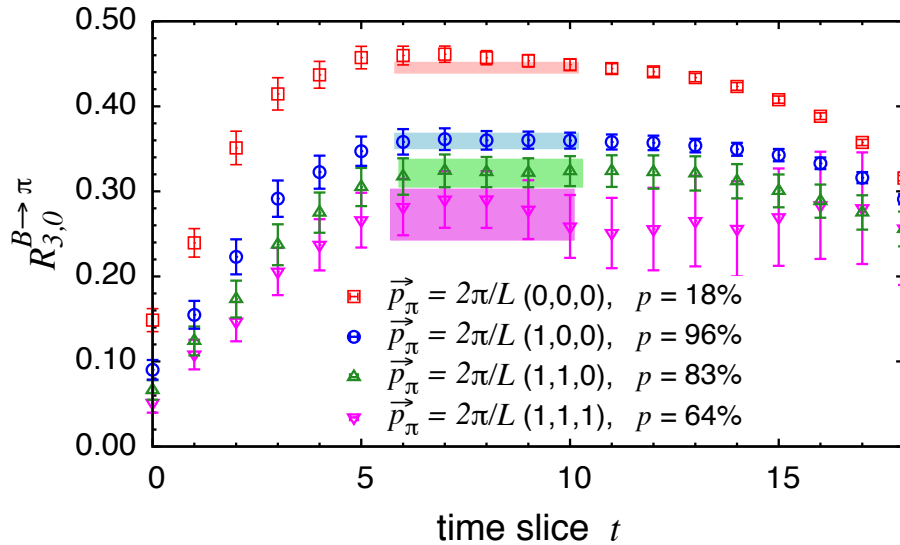
J. A. Bailey et al. (MILC Collaborations), Phys. Rev. D79, 054507 (2009).

$$R_{3,\mu}^{B \rightarrow \pi}(t, T) = \frac{C_{3,\mu}^{B \rightarrow \pi}(t, T)}{\sqrt{C_2^\pi(t) C_2^B(T-t)}} \sqrt{\frac{2E_0^\pi}{e^{-E_0^\pi t} e^{-m_0^B t}}}$$

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

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

The ratio of 3pt over 2pt functions



- After a careful study of source-sink separations, we use $T = t_B - t_\pi = 20$.
- We fit the ratio to a plateau in the region $0 \ll t \ll T$.
- The fit range is chosen such that the individual pion and B-meson 2-points have decayed to the ground state and the correlated constant fit has a good $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$

Form factors $f_{||}$ and f_{\perp}

- The continuum form factors are given by

$$f_{\perp}(E_{\pi}) = Z_{V_i}^{bl} \lim_{t, T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p_{\pi}^i} R_{3,i}^{B \rightarrow \pi}(E_{\pi}, t, T)$$

$$f_{||}(E_{\pi}) = Z_{V_0}^{bl} \lim_{t, T \rightarrow \infty} R_{3,0}^{B \rightarrow \pi}(E_{\pi}, t, T)$$

- 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)

≈ 1

compute with 1-loop lattice
perturbation theory

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

compute
nonperturbatively

[See talk by C.Lehner 14:40~]

- 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.

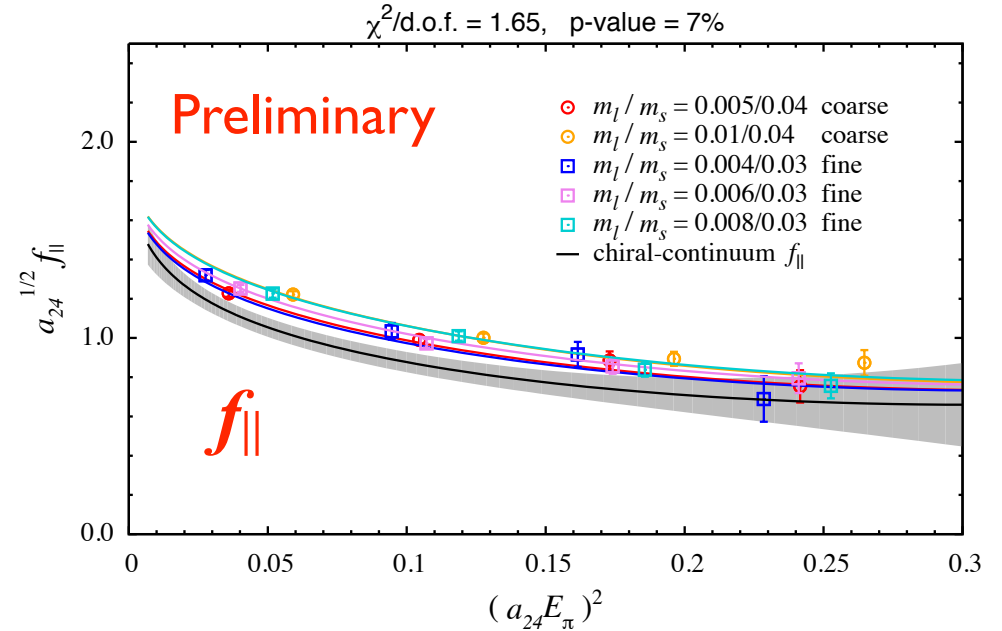
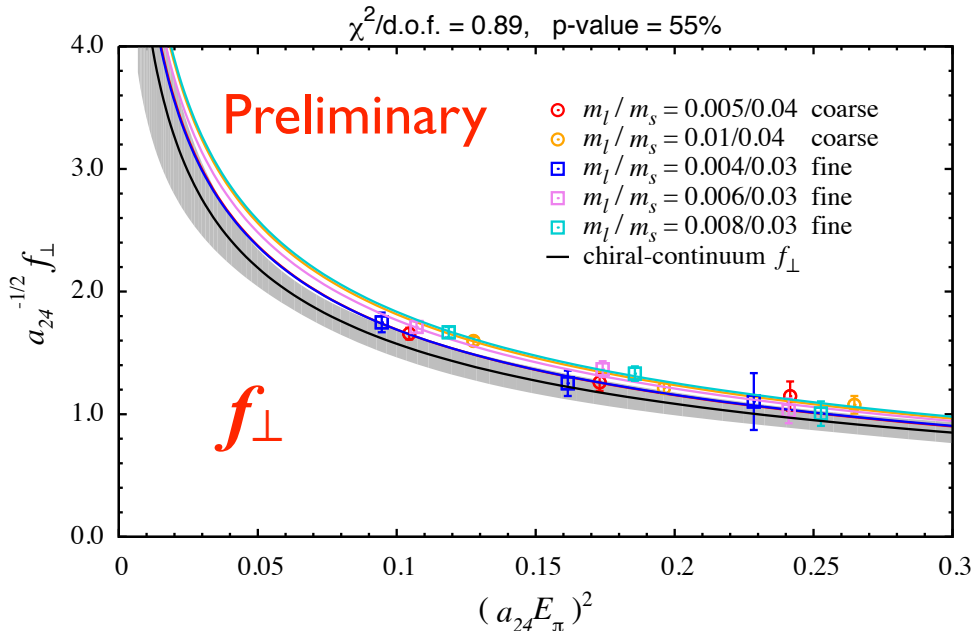
Chiral-continuum extrapolated $f_{||}$ and f_{\perp}

- Correlated simultaneous chiral-continuum fit ($m_{\pi} \rightarrow m_{\pi}^{\text{phys}}, a \rightarrow 0$)
 - to f_{\perp} data using **NLO SU(2) HM χ PT** D. Bećirević et al, Phys. Rev. D 68, 074003 (2003)
ETM Collaboration, arXiv:1104.0869
 - to $f_{||}$ data using **NLO SU(2) HM χ PT** plus **NNLO** analytic terms to interpolate in E_{π}^2

$$f_{\perp}(m_l, E_{\pi}, a^2) = \frac{1}{E_{\pi} + \Delta} c_{\perp}^{(0)} \left(1 + \delta f_{\perp} + c_{\perp}^{(1)} m_l^2 + c_{\perp}^{(2)} E_{\pi} + c_{\perp}^{(3)} E_{\pi}^2 + c_{\perp}^{(4)} a^2 \right)$$

$$f_{||}(m_l, E_{\pi}, a^2) = c_{||}^{(0)} \left(1 + \delta f_{||} + c_{||}^{(1)} m_l + c_{||}^{(2)} E_{\pi} + c_{||}^{(3)} E_{\pi}^2 + c_{||}^{(4)} a^2 \right. \\ \left. \text{NNLO } + c_{||}^{(5)} m_l E_{\pi} + c_{||}^{(6)} m_l E_{\pi}^2 + c_{||}^{(7)} E_{\pi}^3 \right)$$

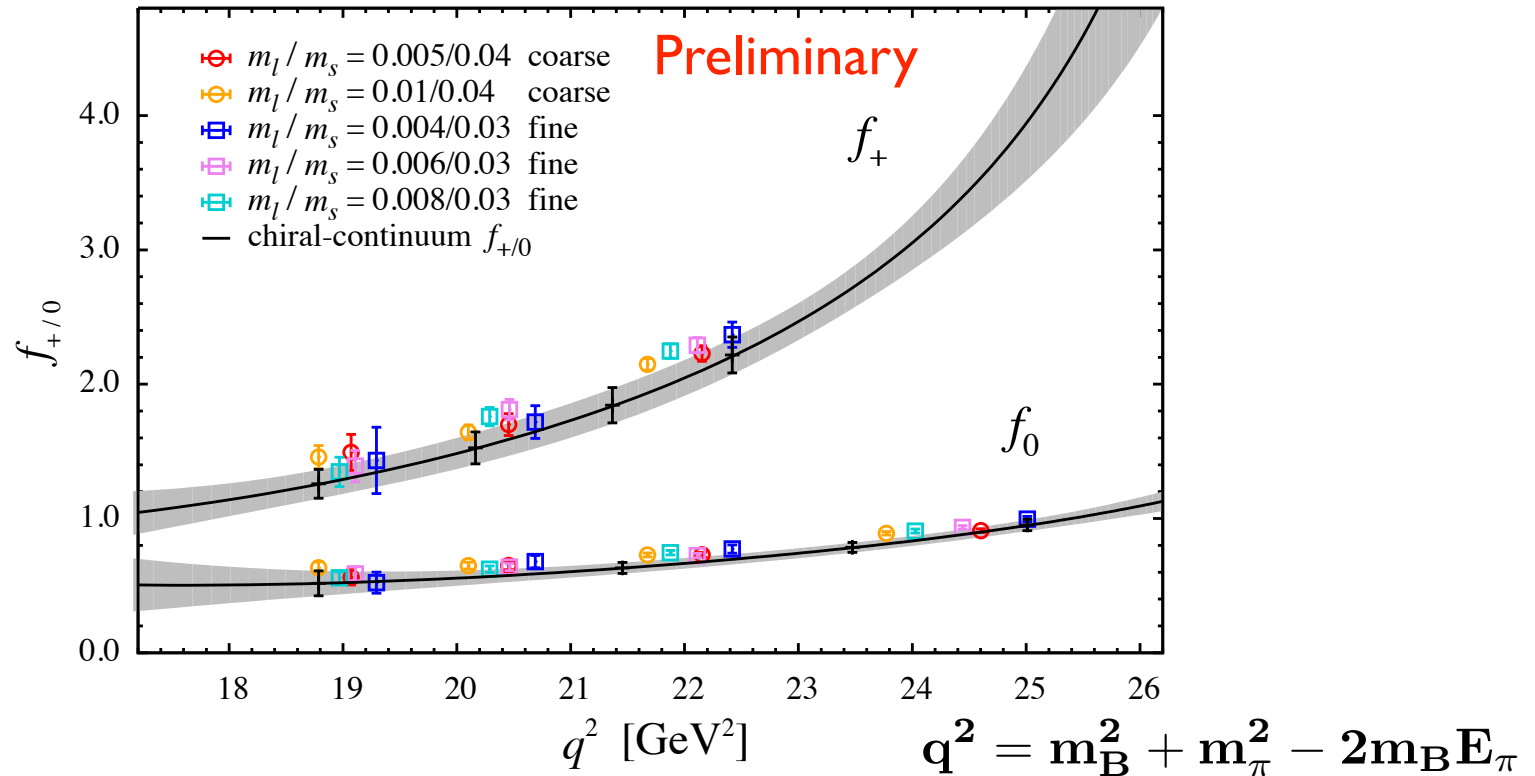
The function δf indicate non-analytic “log” functions of the pseudoscalar meson masses.



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

Form factors f_+ and f_0

- The form factors f_+ and f_0 are easily obtained from f_{\parallel} and f_{\perp} .
 - By definition, the form factors satisfy the kinematic constraint $f_+(q^2 = 0) = f_0(q^2 = 0)$.



- We must extrapolate the lattice data to lower q^2 (larger E_π^2) to reach the kinematic region where experimental measurements are most precise.
- Using chiral-continuum extrapolated lattice data, in the range of simulated pion energies, we generate four synthetic data points of f_+ and f_0 (**black**) used in q^2 extrapolation to full kinematic range.

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 to low momentum transfer.

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

semileptonic region

$$0 < q^2 < t_- \rightarrow -0.34 < z < 0.22 \quad (\text{when we choose } t_0 = 0.65t_+)$$

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

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

- 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

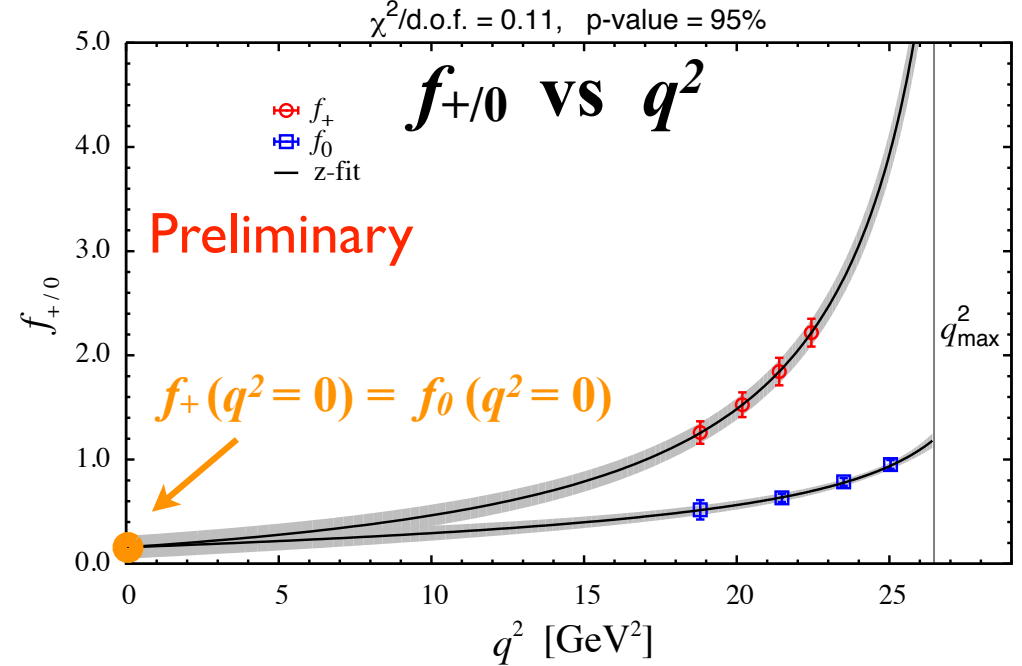
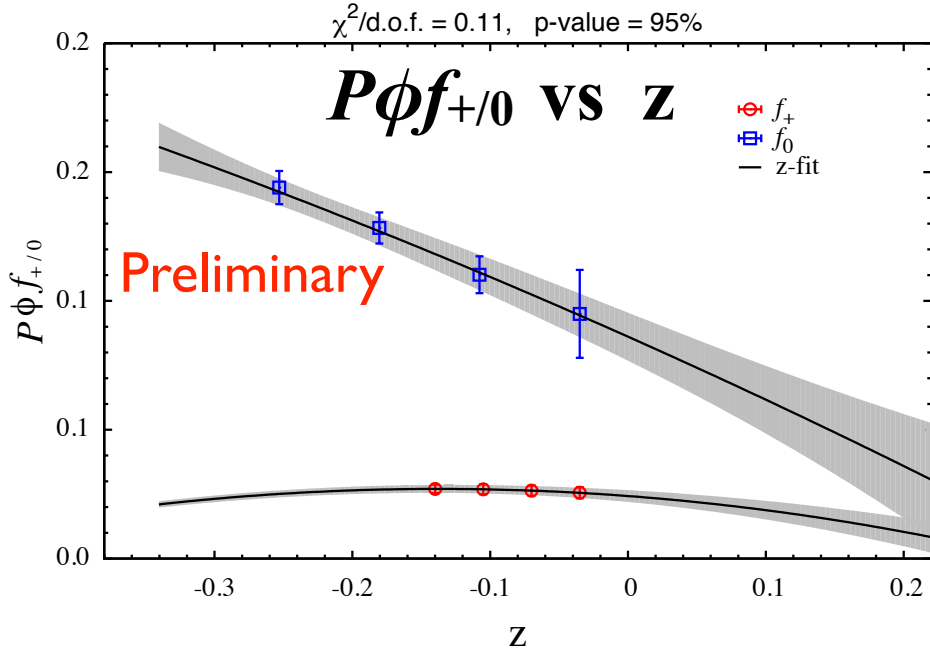
Arbitrary analytic function which affects the numerical values of the series coefficients

- 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



- We show z-expansion fits imposing the kinematic constraint $f_+(q^2 = 0) = f_0(q^2 = 0)$.
- Our z-fit includes terms up to z^2 . $P\phi f = a^{(0)} + a^{(1)}z + a^{(2)}z^2$
- The resulting slope and curvature of the lattice data of the $B \rightarrow \pi l\nu$ form factor are

$$a_+^{(1)} / a_+^{(0)} = -1.66 \pm 0.70$$

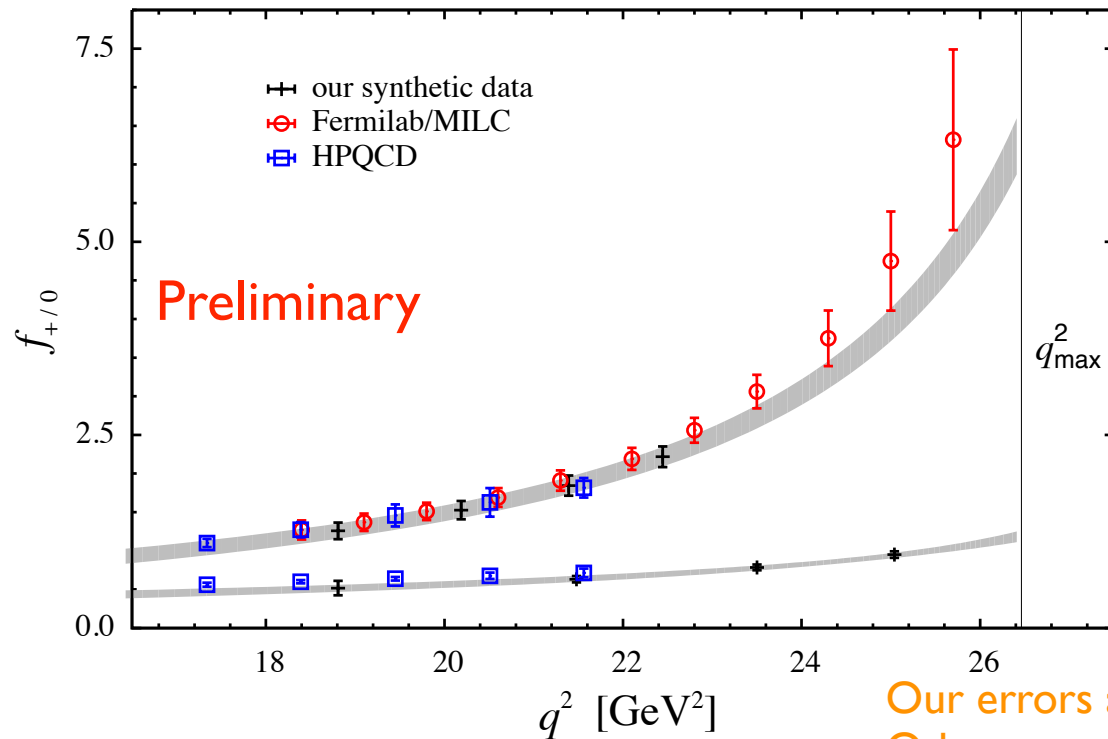
$$a_+^{(2)} / a_+^{(0)} = -6.0 \pm 1.5$$

cf. The slope of the BABAR experiment

$$a_+^{(1)} / a_+^{(0)} = -1.60 \pm 0.26$$

Phys. Rev. D79, 054507 (2009)

Comparison with other calculations



Our errors are only statistical error.
Others are combined statistical and
chiral extrapolation errors.

- Two calculations of the $B \rightarrow \pi l \nu$ form factor using **MILC gauge configurations** that include 2+1 flavors of dynamical improved staggered quarks.
 - ▶ **Fermilab/MILC** collaboration uses relativistic (Fermilab) b-quarks.
 - ▶ **HPQCD** collaboration uses nonrelativistic (NRQCD) b-quarks.

Phys. Rev. D79, 054507 (2009)

Phys. Rev. D73, 074502 (2006),
Erratum-ibid.D75:119906 (2007)

Conclusions and future prospects

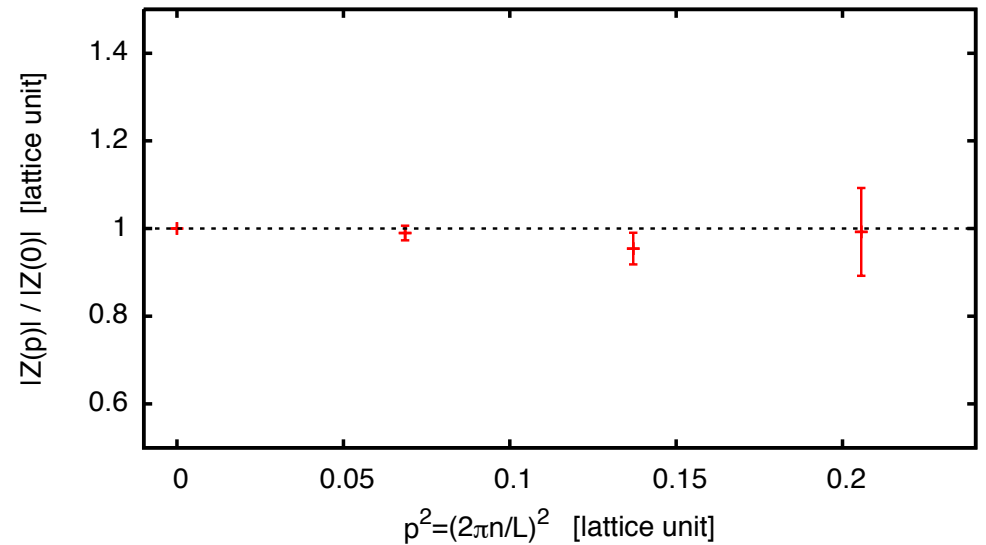
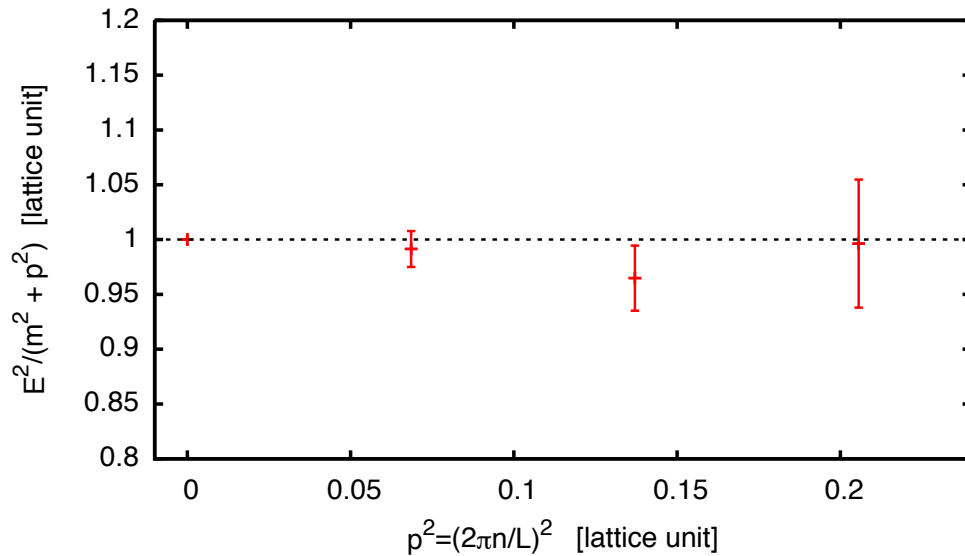
- We have calculated the $B \rightarrow \pi$ form factors f_{\parallel} and f_{\perp} using 2+1 flavor dynamical **domain-wall fermion** gauge field configurations with **relativistic heavy quark action** on fine ($24^3 \times 64$, $a \sim 0.11$ fm) lattice and coarse ($32^3 \times 64$, $a \sim 0.08$ fm) lattice.
- Perform the simultaneous **chiral-continuum extrapolation** to all data of f_{\parallel} and f_{\perp} using SU(2) HM χ PT formula.
- Perform the **z-expansion fits** with kinematic constraint $f_{+} = f_0$ at $q^2 = 0$ in order to extrapolate to low momentum transfer (high E_{π}^2).
- Will provide important independent check on existing calculations using staggered light quarks.

Work still in progress:

- Include partially quenched data points in our analysis.
- Estimate the systematic uncertainties in f_{+} and f_0 .
- Compare with experimental data from Babar and Belle in order to obtain $|V_{ub}|$.
- Perform q^2 extrapolation using alternative z-parameterization from Bourrely, Caprini, and Lellouch [[Phys.Rev. D79 \(2009\) 013008](#), [Erratum-ibid. D82 \(2010\) 099902](#)]

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

$$Z_\pi(E) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ C_2^\pi(t) \times 2E e^{Et} \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$O(a)$ improved vector current operator

[See talk by C.Lehner 14:40~]

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)

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

- 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 $O(a^2 p^2)$.

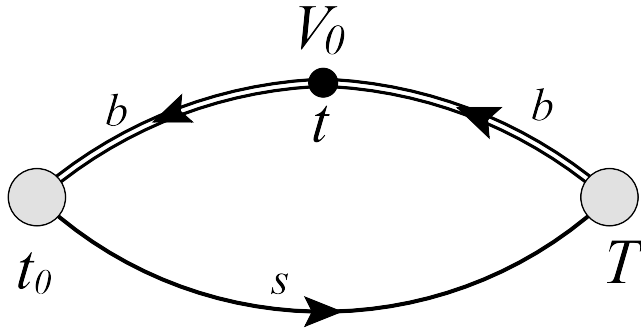
- Li, Lin, and Christ showed that the parameters $\{m_0, \zeta, c_P\}$ can be tuned nonperturbatively.

N. H. Christ, M. Li, and H.-W. Lin, Phys.Rev. D76, 074505 (2007)

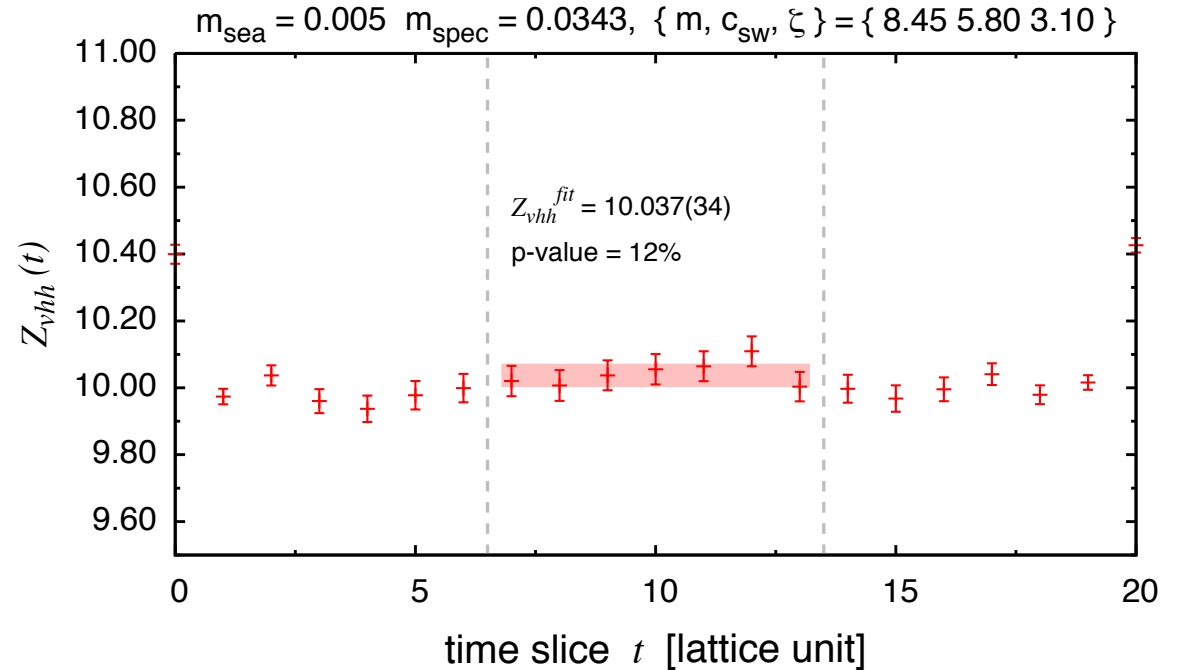
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- We use the results for the parameters of the RHQ action obtained for b-quarks in Y.Aoki et. al Phys. Rev. D 86, 116003 (2012)

Renormalization factor Z_V^{bb}



$$Z_V^{bb} \times \langle m_0^B | V_0^{bb} | m_0^B \rangle = 2m_B \frac{C_2^B(T)}{C_{3,\mu}^{B \rightarrow B}(t, T)} \xrightarrow{t, T \rightarrow \infty} Z_V^{bb}$$



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	: $Z_V^{bb} = 9.993$