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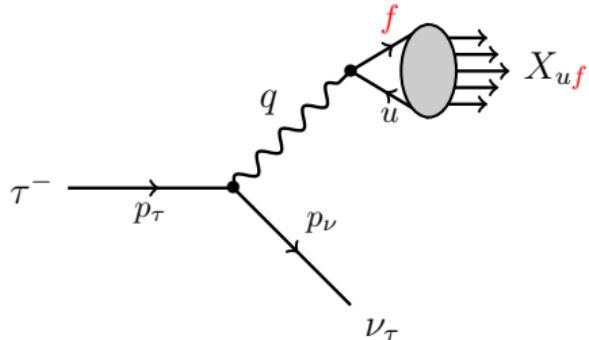


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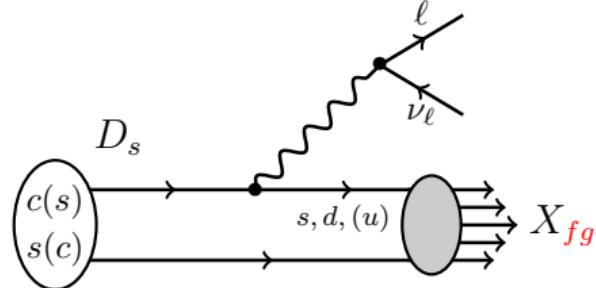
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- ▷ Christiane Groß's talk on Wednesday
- ▷ Proceeding Lattice 2024 (in preparation)
- ▷ Paper (in preparation)
- ▷ Preliminary results

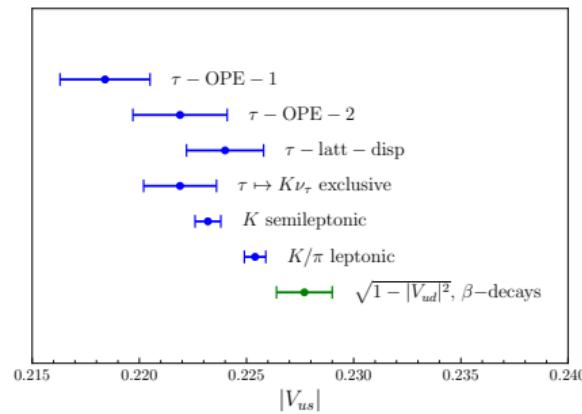
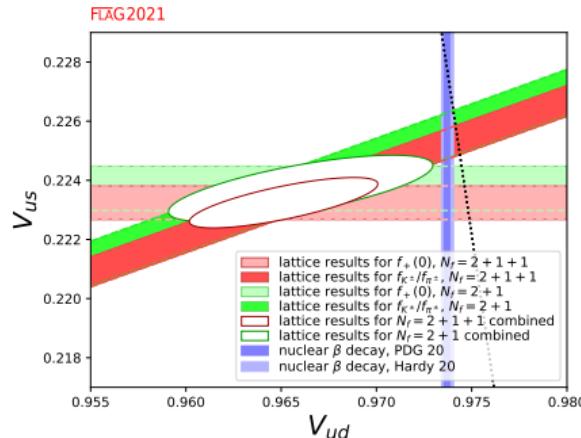
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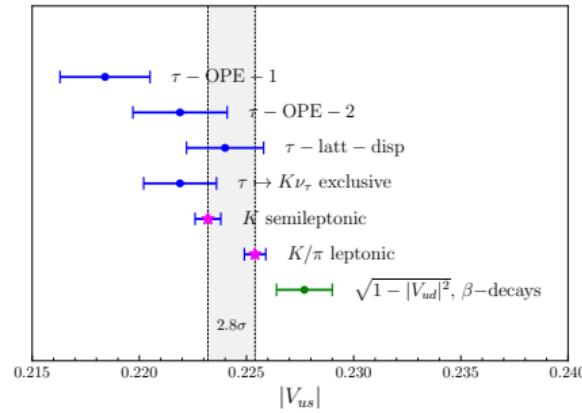
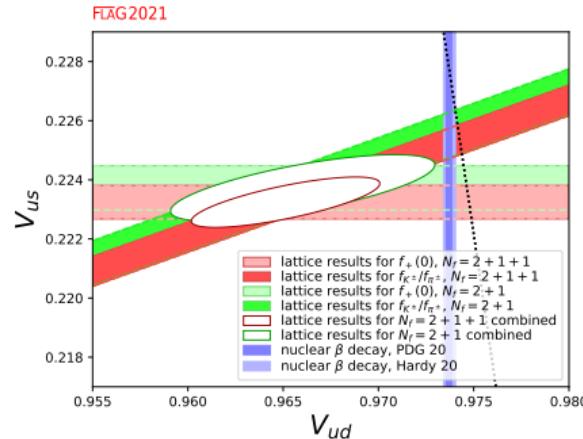


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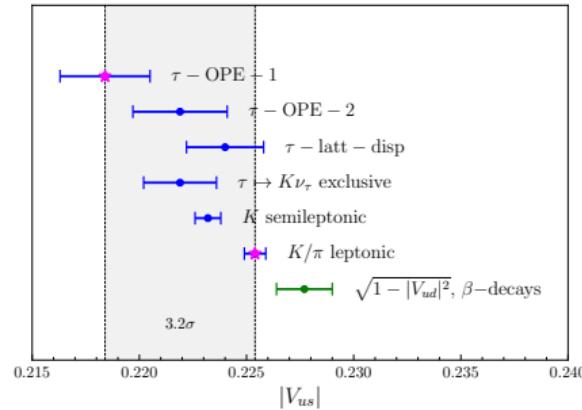
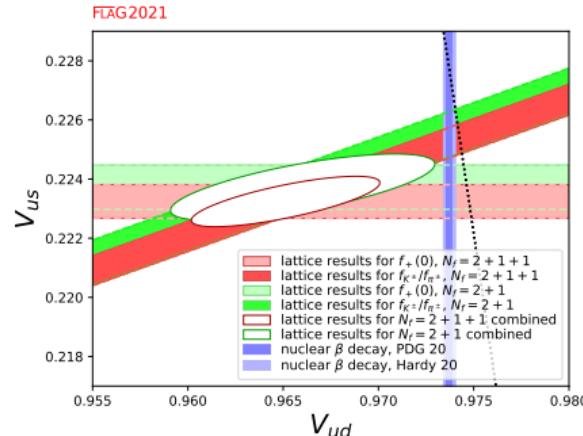


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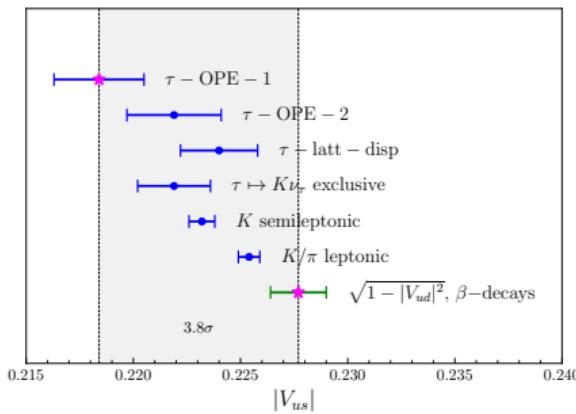
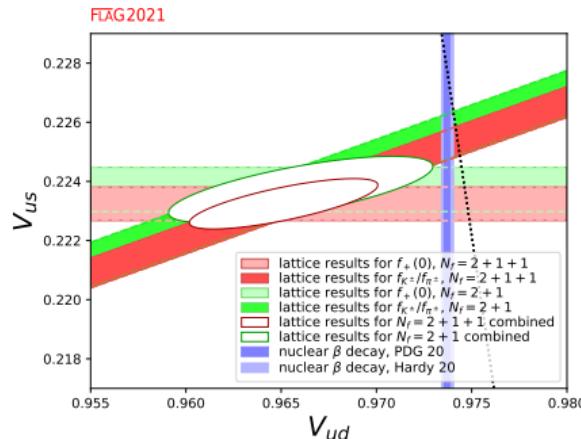


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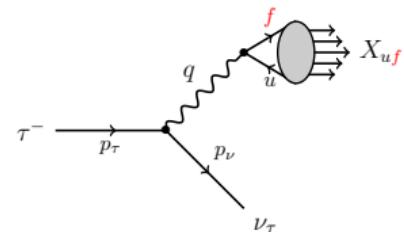
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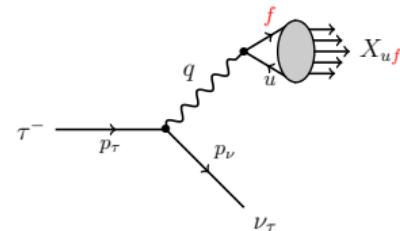
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with  $\rho$  spectral density of two hadronic weak currents

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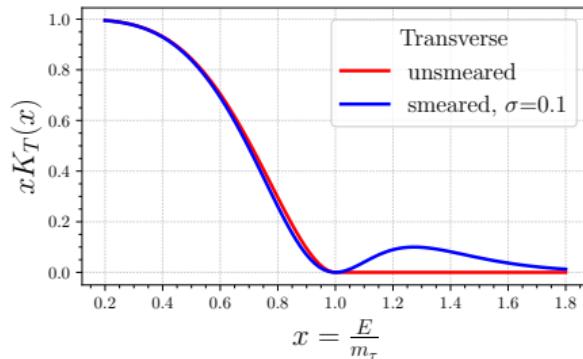
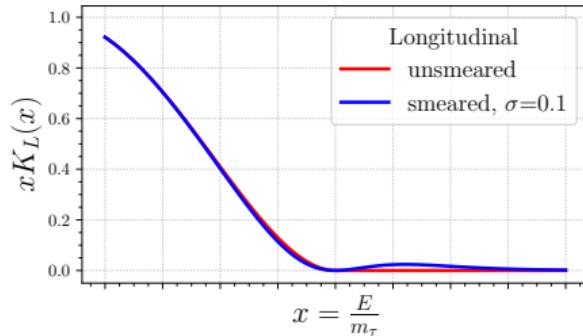
## The smeared $R_{uf}^{(\tau)}(\sigma)$

- ▷ The convolution kernels are replaced by smeared versions

$$\Theta(1-x) \mapsto \Theta_\sigma(1-x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(1-x)/\sigma}}$$

- ▷ Smearing is needed to deal with  $\mathcal{C}^\infty$  kernels
- ▷ Axiomatically, spectral densities are distributions and **must** be smeared
- ▷  $\sigma \mapsto 0$  must be done after  $L \mapsto \infty$

$$R_{uf}^{(\tau)} = \lim_{\sigma \mapsto 0} \lim_{a \mapsto 0} \lim_{L \mapsto \infty} R_{uf}^{(\tau)}(\sigma)$$



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$$\frac{R_{uf}^{(\tau, I)}(\sigma)}{|V_{uf}|^2} = \frac{24\pi^2 S_{EW}}{m_\tau^3} \sum_{n=1}^T g_I^*(n) C_I(an) \quad K_I^\sigma(E) \simeq \sum_{n=1}^T g_I^*(n) e^{-naE} \quad I = L, T$$

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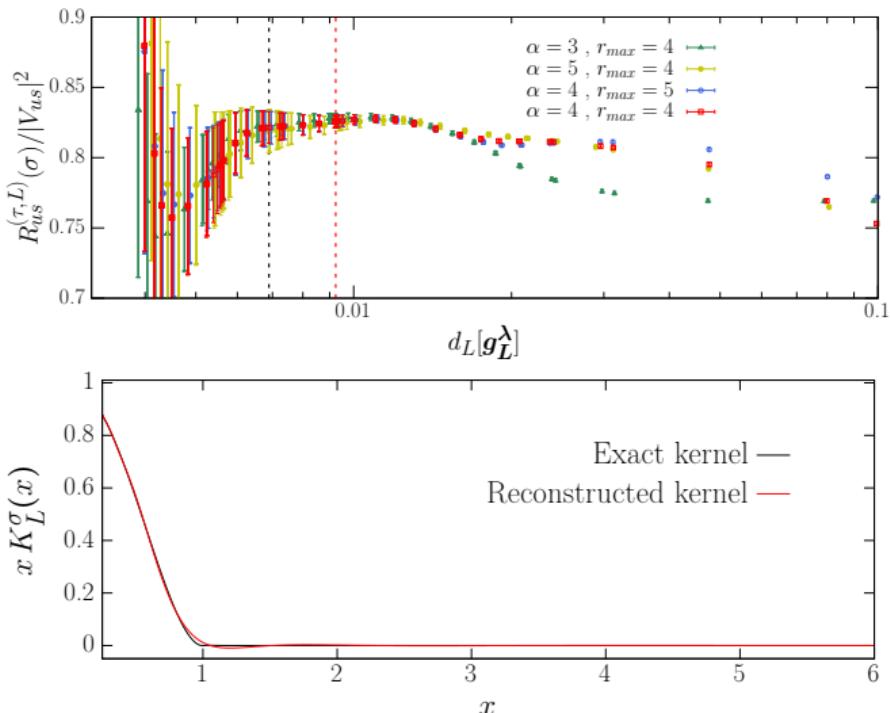
Algorithmic parameters to tune:  $\{\lambda, \alpha, r_{\max}\}$  at fixed  $\{T, E_{\min}\}$

## Stability analysis to find the optimal $\mathbf{g}$ 's

- ▷ Quantify the quality of the approximation

$$d[\mathbf{g}^\lambda] = \sqrt{\frac{A_0[\mathbf{g}^\lambda]}{A_0[\mathbf{0}]}}$$

- ▷ Search for statistically dominated regime (plateau)
- ▷ Independence of the algorithmic parameters
- ▷ High-quality kernel approximation
- ▷ Residual systematic error estimated by considering two reference points



## ETMC: lattice setup and ensembles

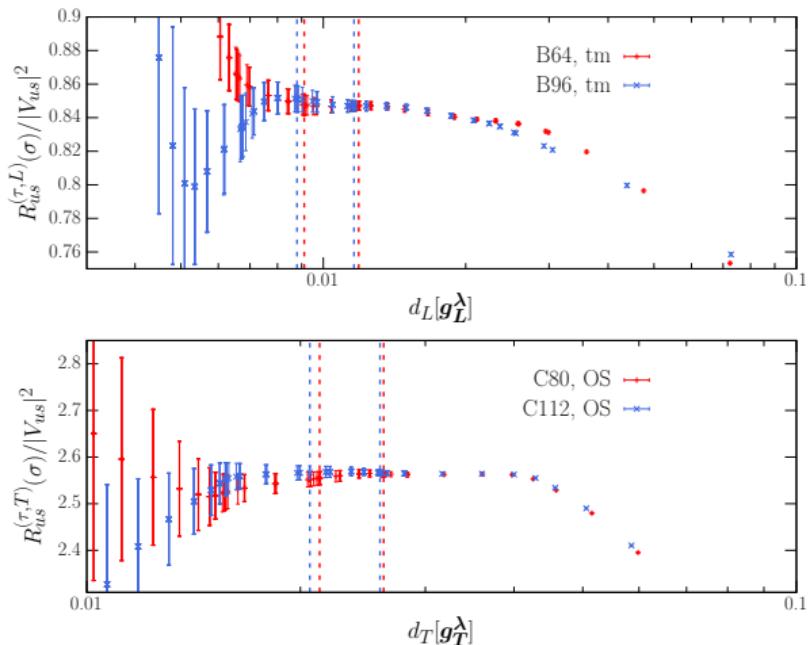
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B48	$48^3 \times 96$	0.07951	3.82	✗	✗	✓
B64	$64^3 \times 128$	0.07951	5.09	✓	✓	✓
B96	$96^3 \times 192$	0.07951	7.63	✓	✓	✓
C80	$80^3 \times 160$	0.06816	5.45	✓	✓	✓
C112	$112^3 \times 224$	0.06816	7.63	✓	✗	✗
D96	$96^3 \times 92$	0.05688	5.46	✓	✓	✓
E112	$112^3 \times 224$	0.04891	5.47	✓	✗	✓

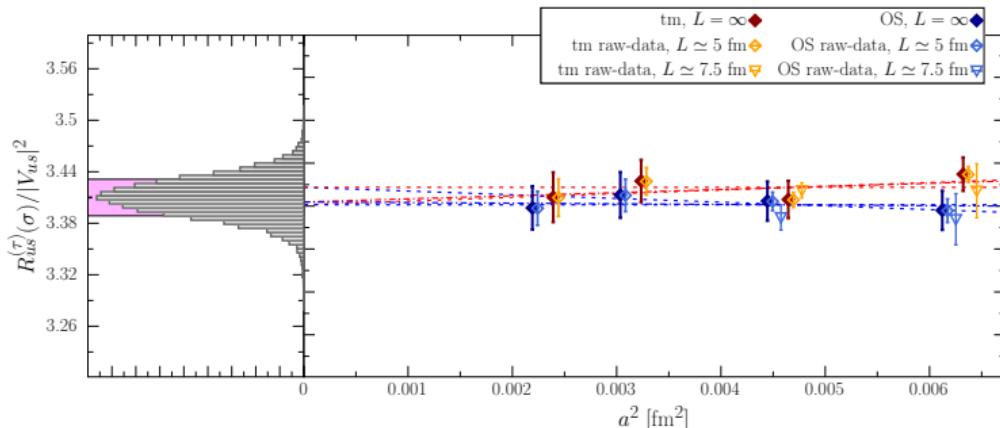
- ▷  $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  dynamical Wilson-clover twisted-mass quarks ( $\mathcal{O}(a)$  improvement)
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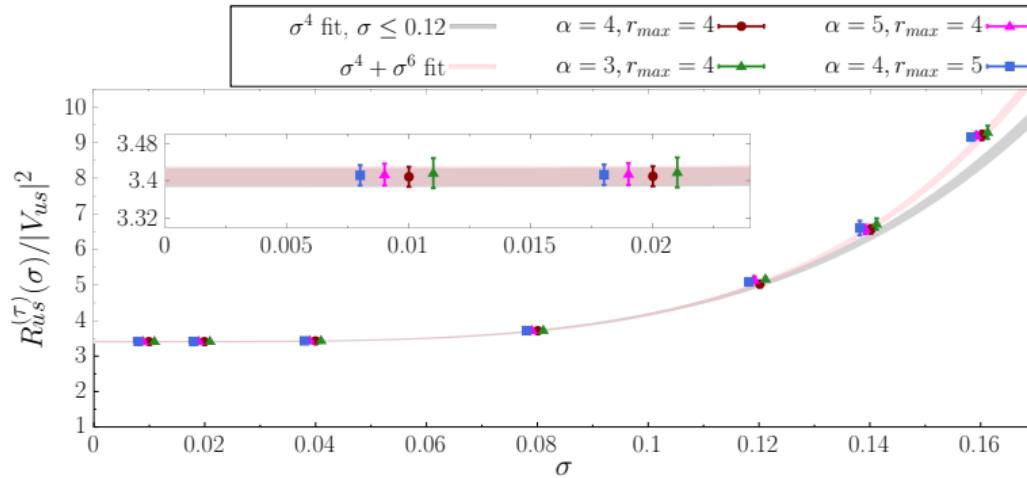
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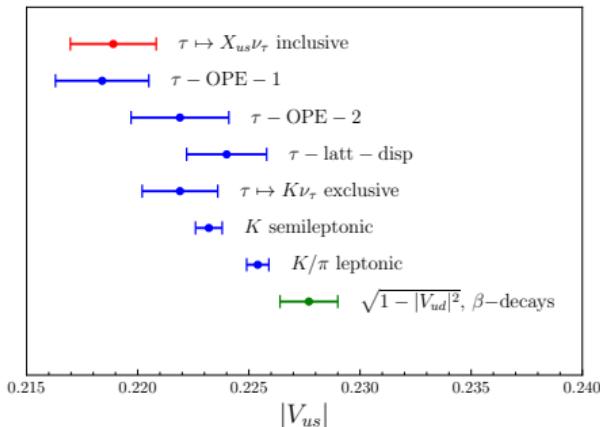
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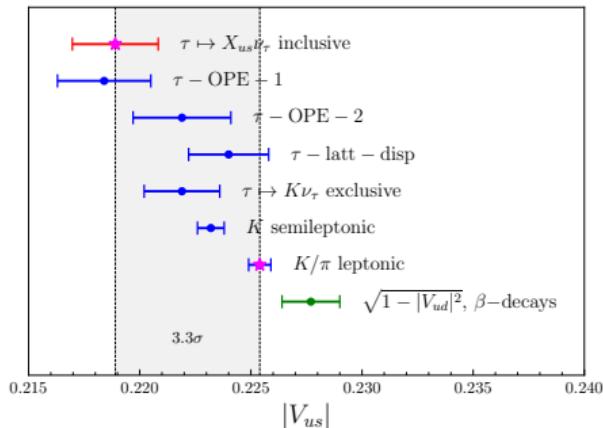


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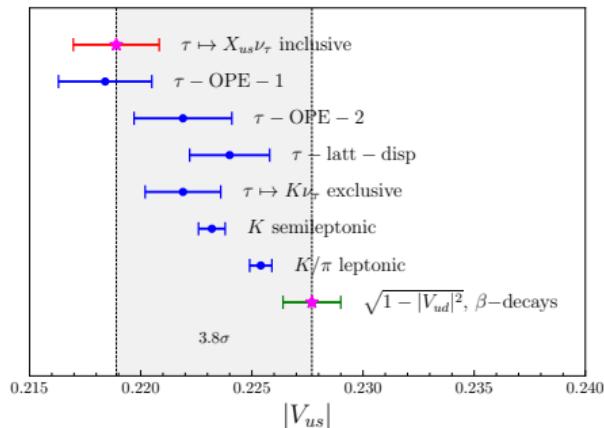


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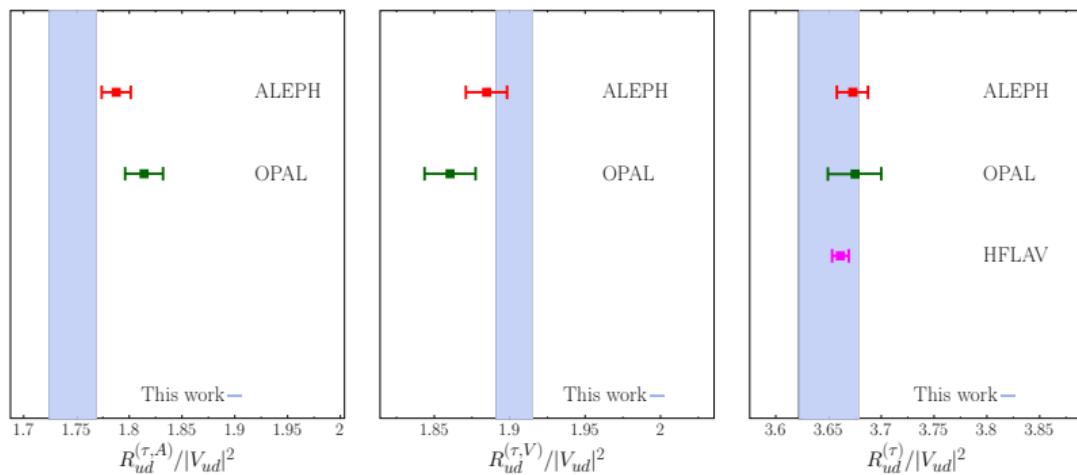


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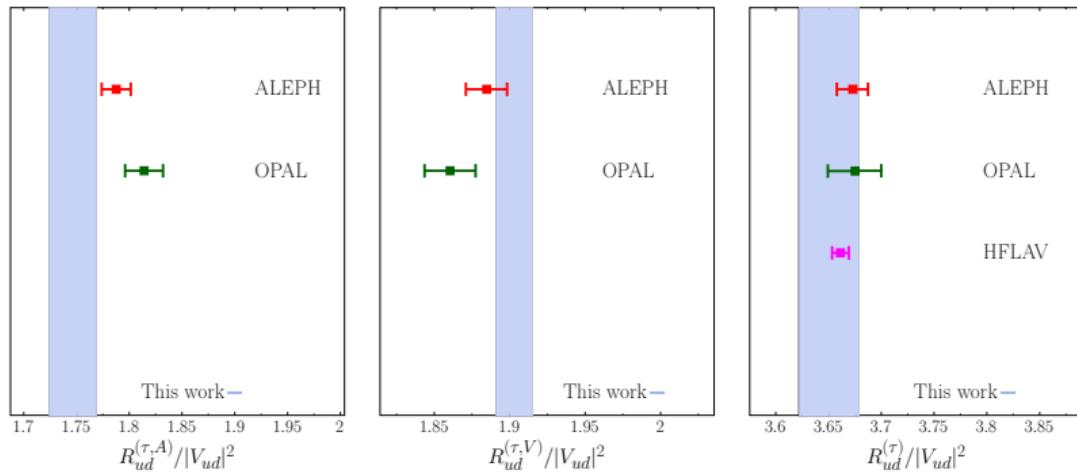
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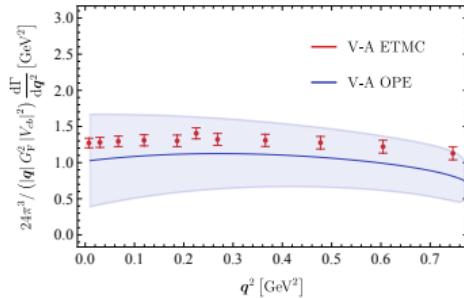
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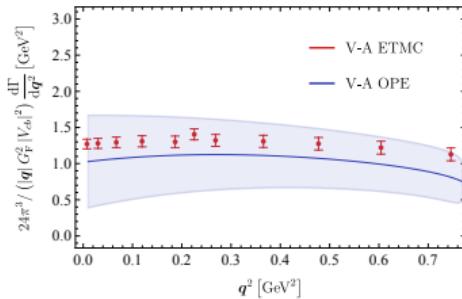


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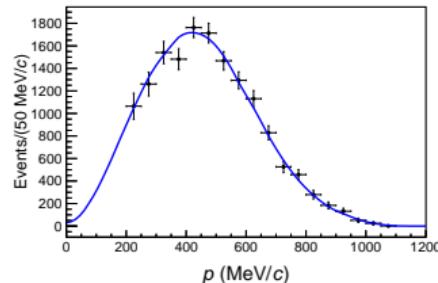


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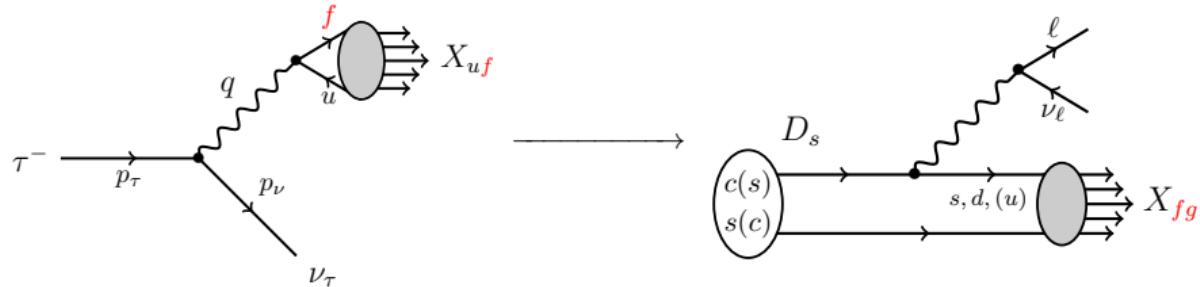
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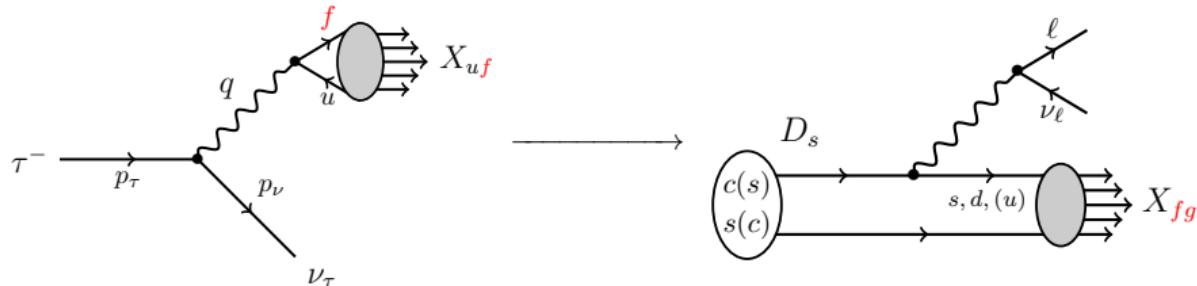
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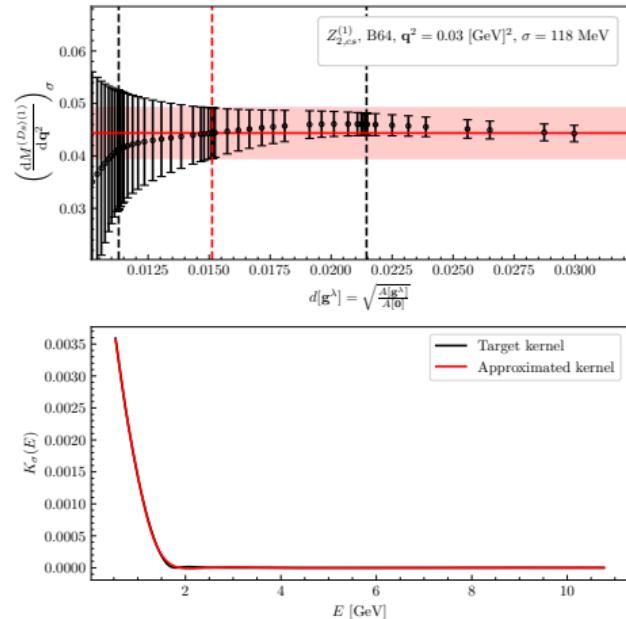
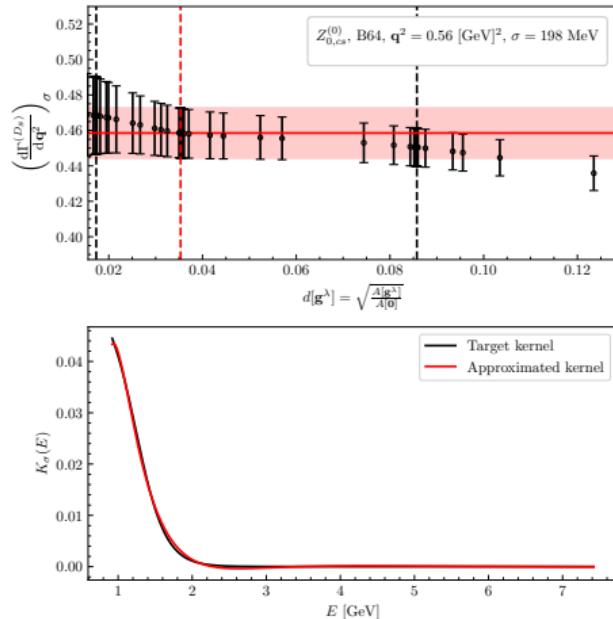
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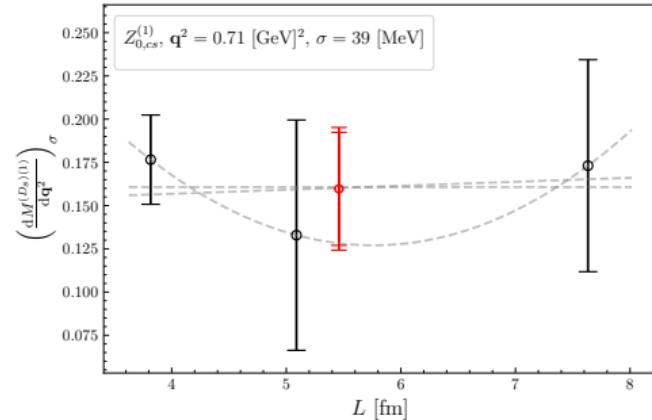
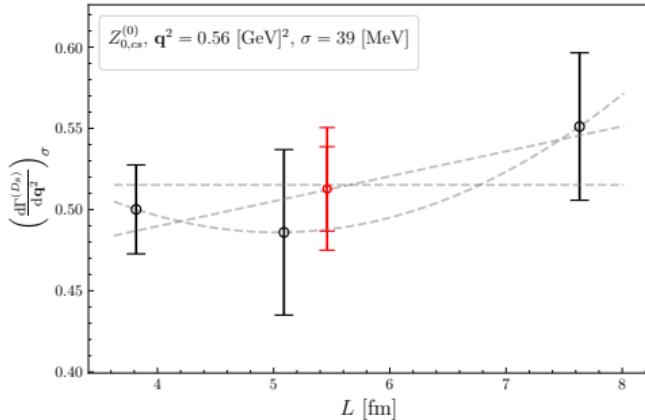
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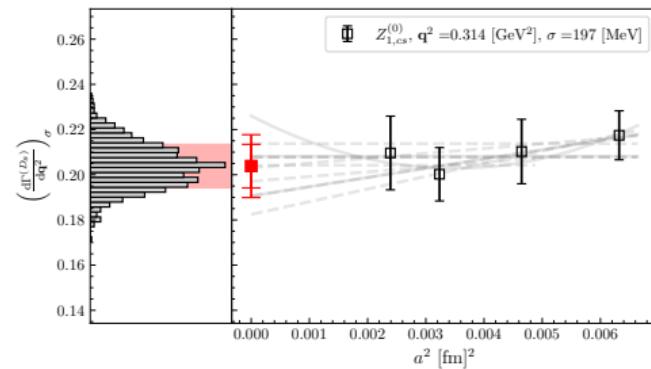
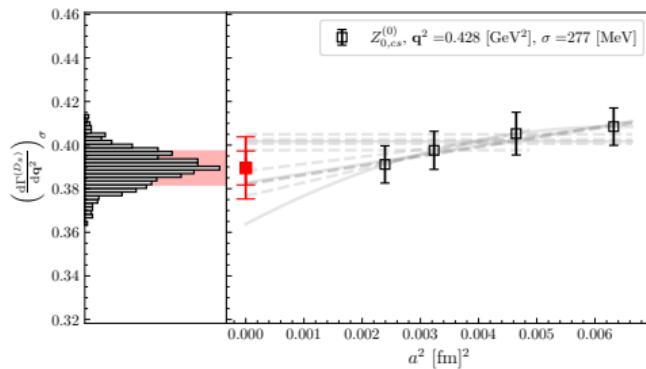
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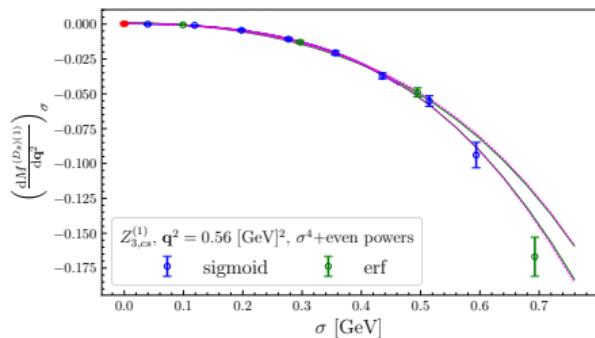
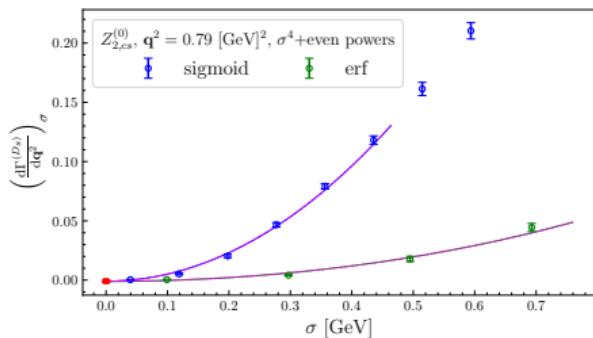
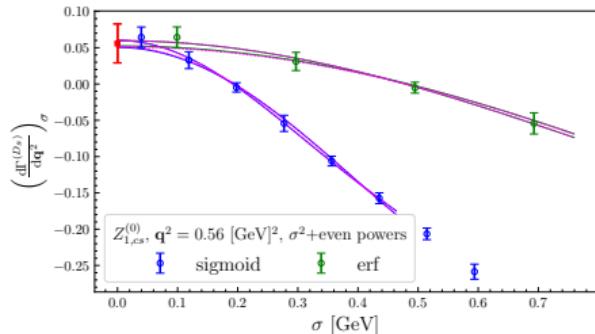
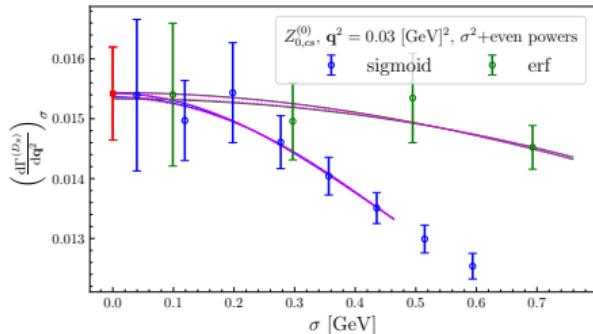
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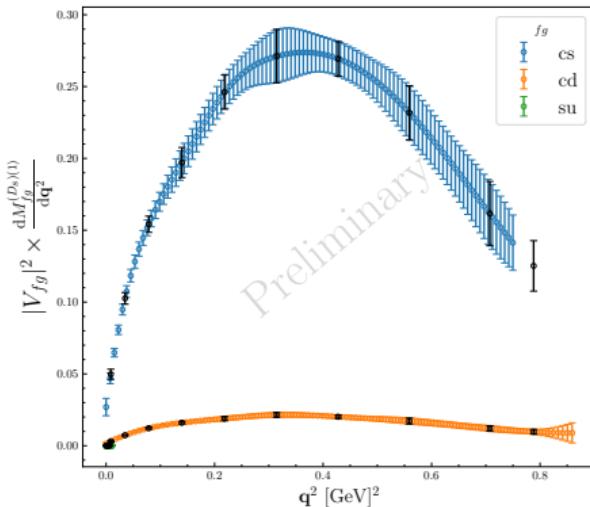
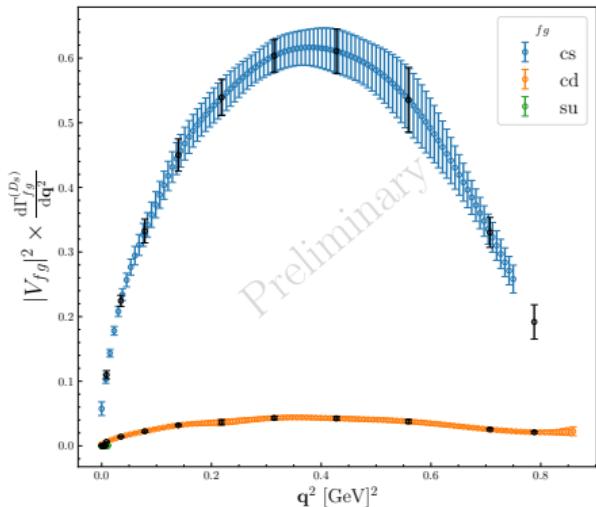
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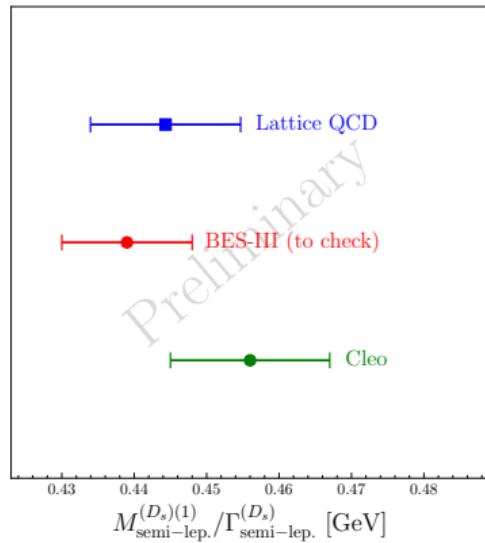
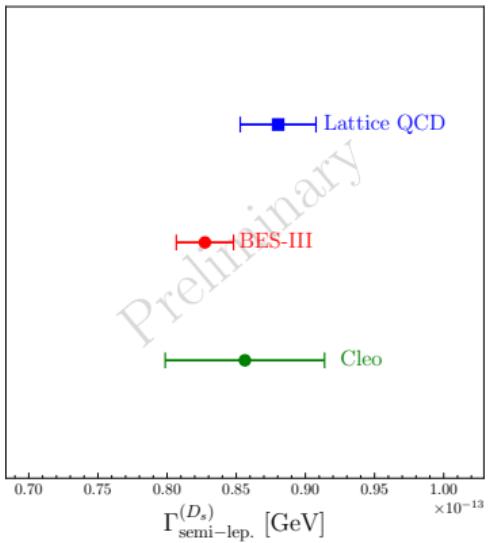
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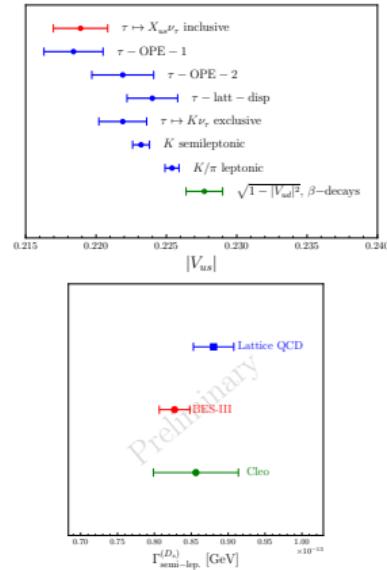
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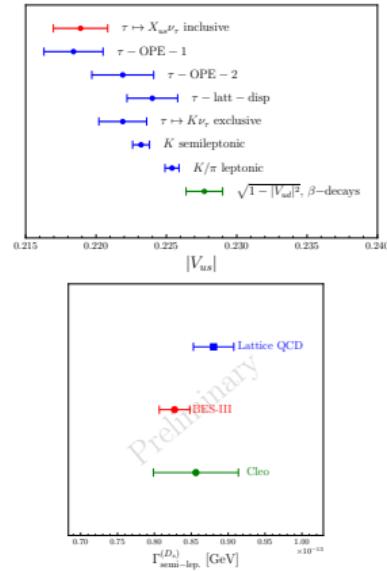
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Backup

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Form factors decomposition of the hadronic tensor

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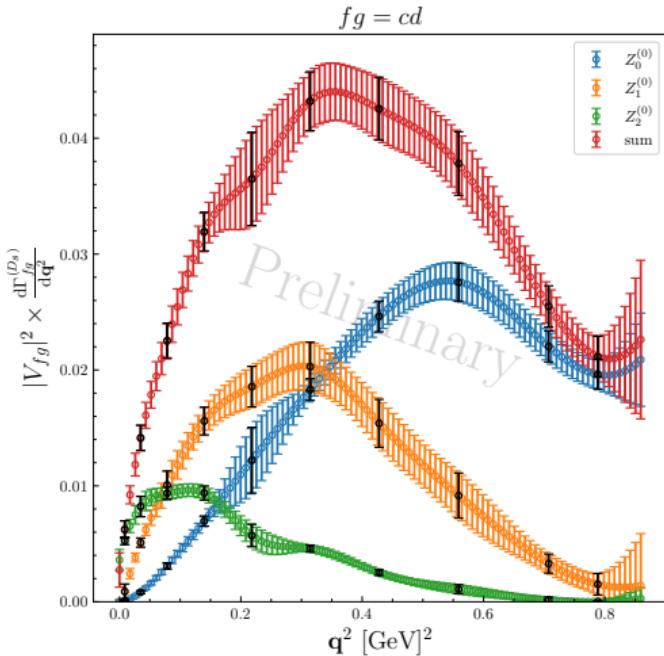
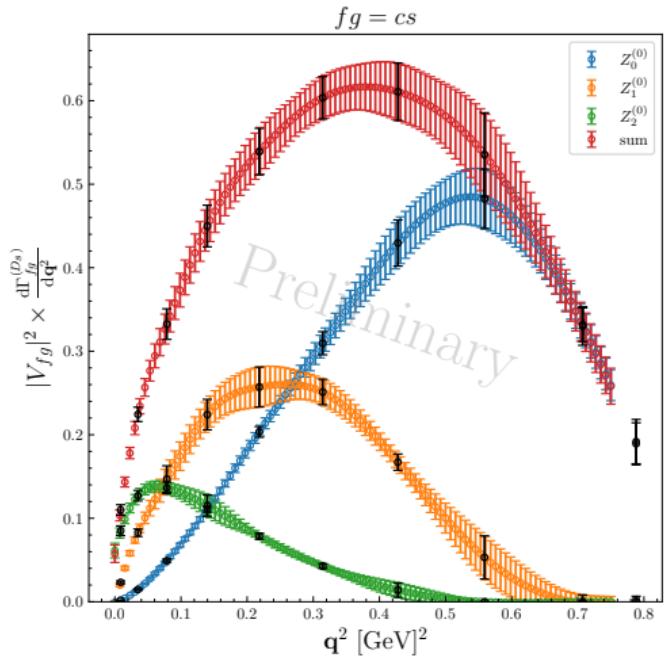
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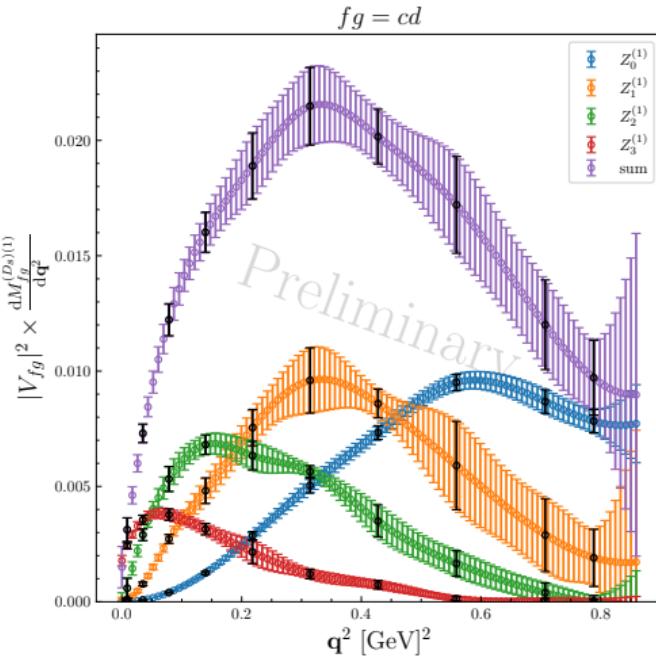
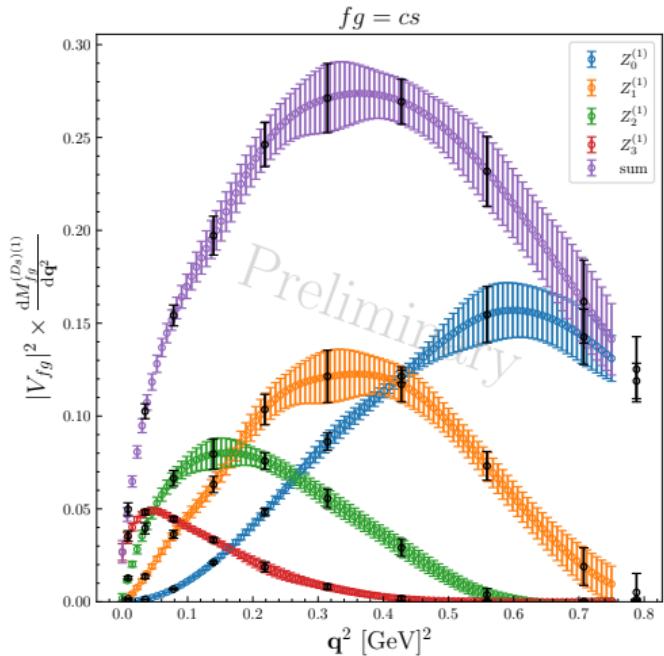
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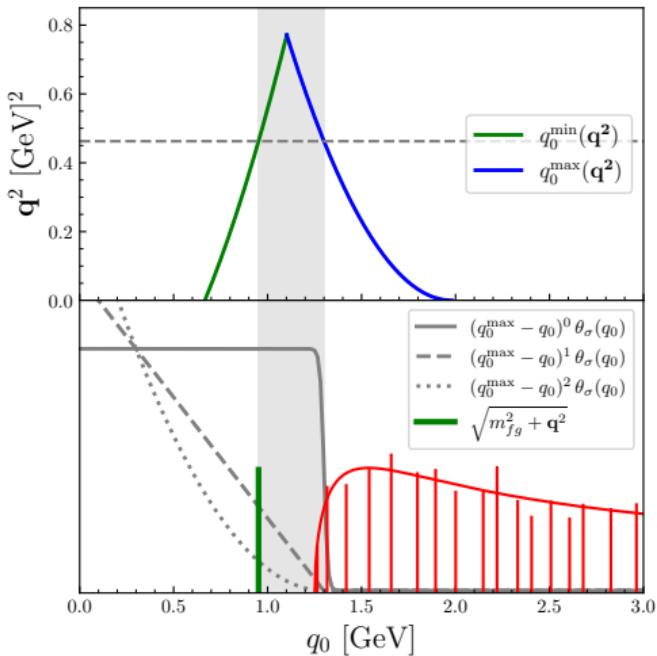
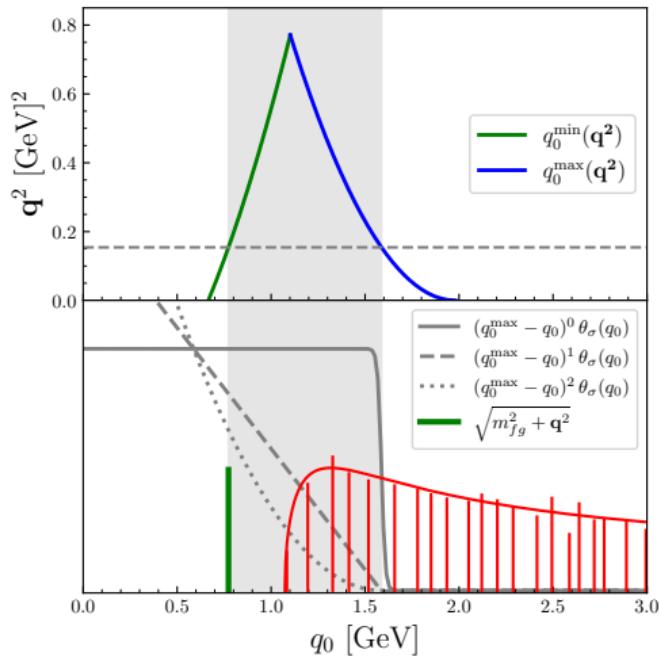


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$$q_0 \in \left[ \sqrt{m_{fg}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2}, m_{D_s} - |\mathbf{q}| \right] \quad m_{fg}^2 \text{ lightest mass in the spectrum}$$



## Decay rate at the end-point

- ▷  $q_0 \in \left[ \sqrt{m_{fg}^2 + \mathbf{q}^2}, m_{D_s} - |\mathbf{q}| \right]$
- ▷  $\mathbf{q}^2 \in \left[ 0, \frac{(m_{D_s} - r_{fg}^2)^2}{4} \right], r_{fg} = \frac{m_{fg}}{m_{D_s}}$

- ▷ The spectral function has an isolated pole, separated by the multi-particle states, and by construction at  $q_{\max}^2$  this coincides with the end-point:  $Z_{0,fg}^{(n)}$  non-vanishing

