

# Future Applications of Lattice QCD for High-Energy Physics

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- Summary of present status
  - ✳ Focus on weak matrix elements
- Future directions and challenges
  - ✳  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  decays ( $\Delta I = 1/2$  rule & CP violation) &  $\Delta M_K$
  - ✳  $D \rightarrow \pi\pi, K\bar{K}$  --- is a lattice calculation possible?
  - ✳  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  (pushing the limits of Euclidean-space calculations)
  - ✳ Predicting hadronic contributions to muonic  $g-2$
- Outlook

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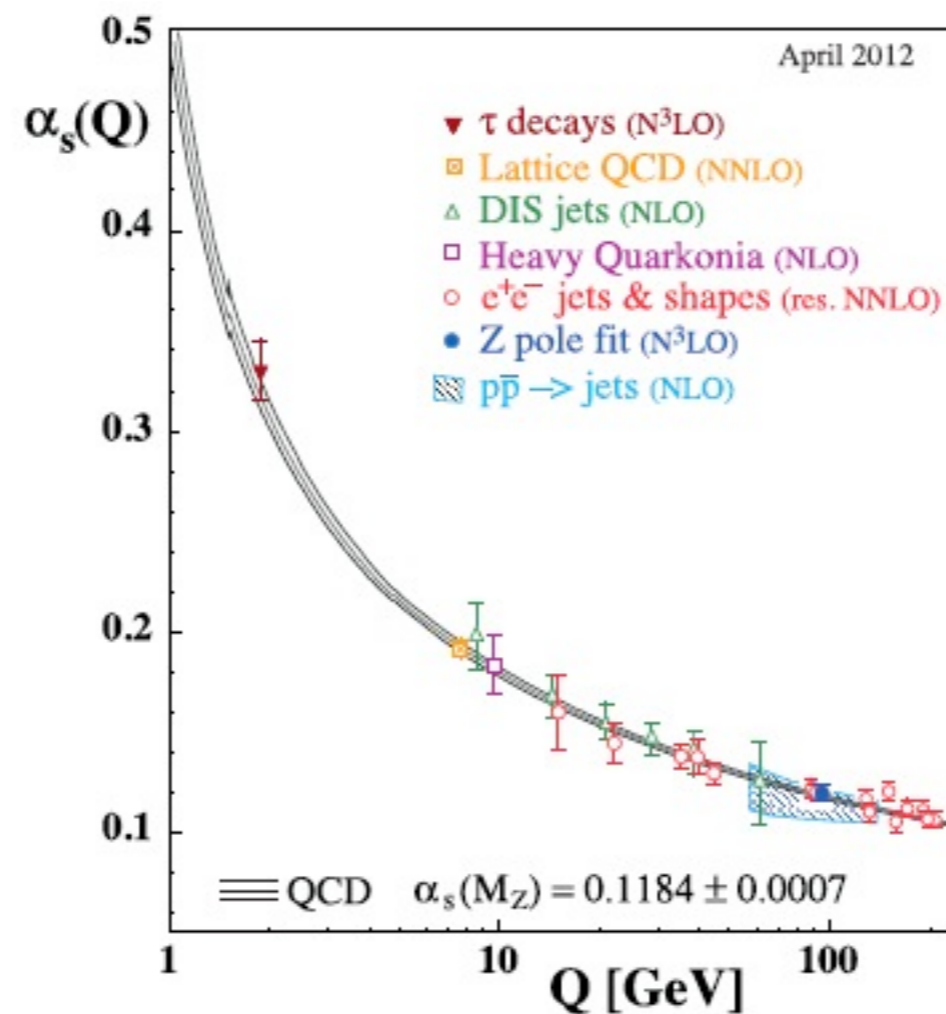
- ✓ Lattice QCD (LQCD) provides, at present, the only first principles method for calculating quantities in the non-perturbative (low energy) realm of QCD
- ✓ Thus we can test that QCD is indeed the correct theory of strong interactions
- ✓ We can use LQCD to understand the physics of confinement
- ✓ We can use LQCD to remove the non-perturbative QCD “background” in searches for rare processes induced by new physics
- ▶ LQCD is an essential component of searches for new physics at the “intensity frontier”

# Strengths & Weaknesses of LQCD

- ✓ Can simulate at or near physical quark masses for u,d,s, & c
- ✓ Discretization ( $a^2$ ) errors typically small & controlled ( $a \sim 0.05 - 0.1$  fm)
- ✓ Volumes large enough that most finite-volume effects are small ( $L \sim 4 - 6$  fm)
- ✓ Non-perturbative matching of lattice and continuum operators (e.g.  $H_W$ ) routine
- ✓ Efficient methods exist for extracting few excited state energies and many  $J^{PC}$ 's
- ✓ Efficient methods exist for calculating quark-disconnected Wick contractions
- ✓ Computers have come a long way (we are in the Petaflops era!)
  - We are stuck in Euclidean space---real-time phenomena not directly accessible (e.g. hadronization in jet physics, light-cone distributions, transport properties)
  - We are stuck in a finite volume---cannot directly calculate scattering processes
  - We are stuck with discrete rotation group---hard to study high ang. mom.
  - Most simulations of b quark use NRQCD or HQET, introducing truncation errors
  - We are stuck with a finite range of scales--- $L/a < 100$ ---making calculations in nearly conformal theories very challenging
  - We are restricted to relatively small  $N_{\text{color}}$ ; hinders connections to string theory

# Examples of present status

- ✓ Spectrum of stable hadrons agrees with nature [Sinead Ryan's lectures]
  - ▶ Crucial test of QCD in non-perturbative regime
- ✓ Strong-coupling constant obtained from LQCD agrees with high-energy results



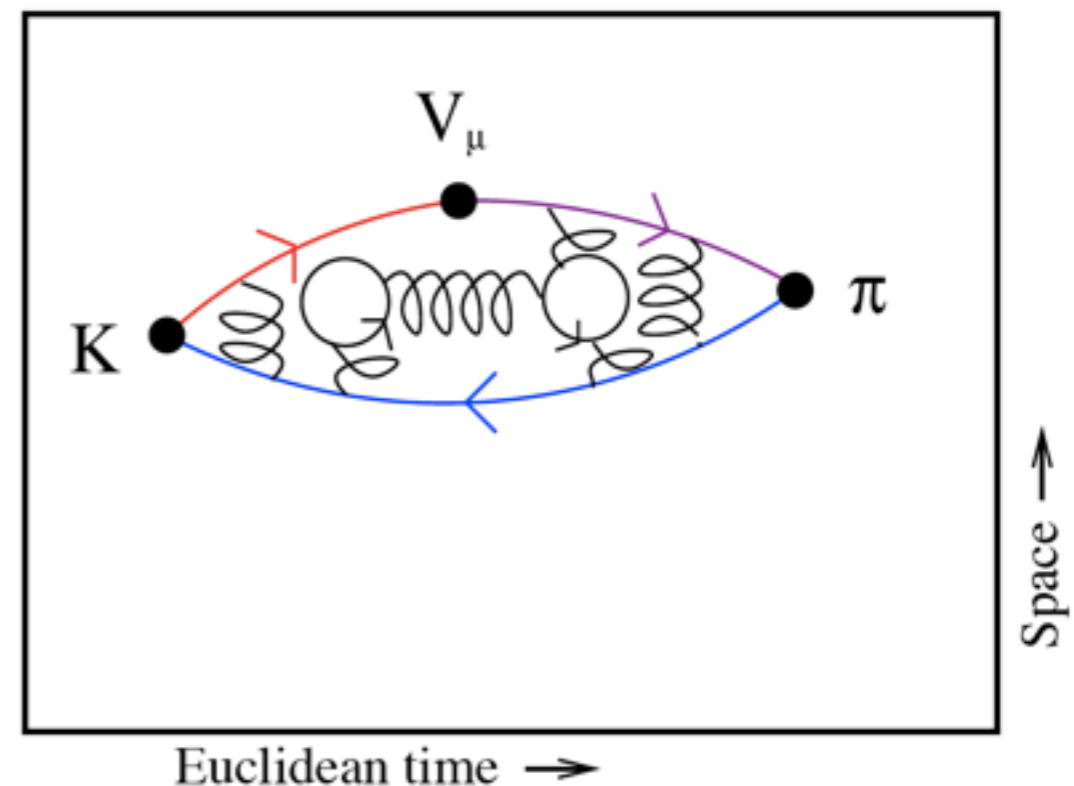
[PDG 2012 (web)]  
PDG now includes  
a review of LQCD  
[Hashimoto, Laiho, SRS]

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$K \rightarrow \pi$  form factor

$$\langle \pi(\vec{p}_2) | V_\mu(0) | K(\vec{p}_1) \rangle$$
$$\Rightarrow f_+(0)$$

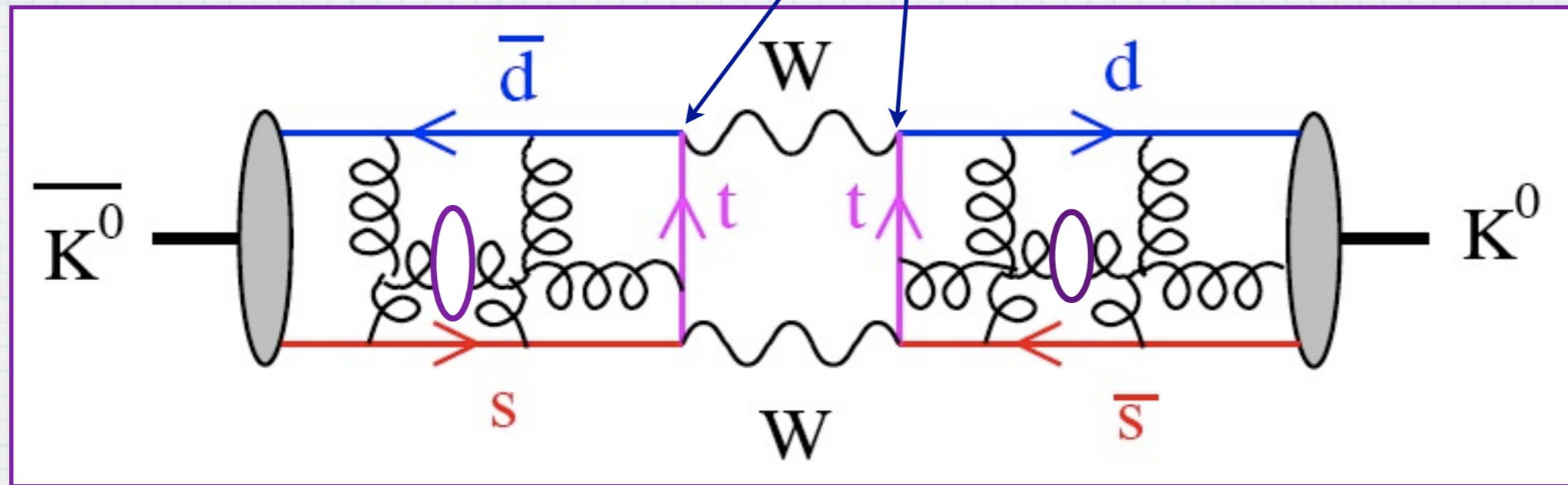


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- ★ Why do we care about these quantities?
  - ▶ Because, combined with experiment, they allow an (over)determination of the parameters of the CKM matrix---fundamental params of the SM

# Example: $B_K$

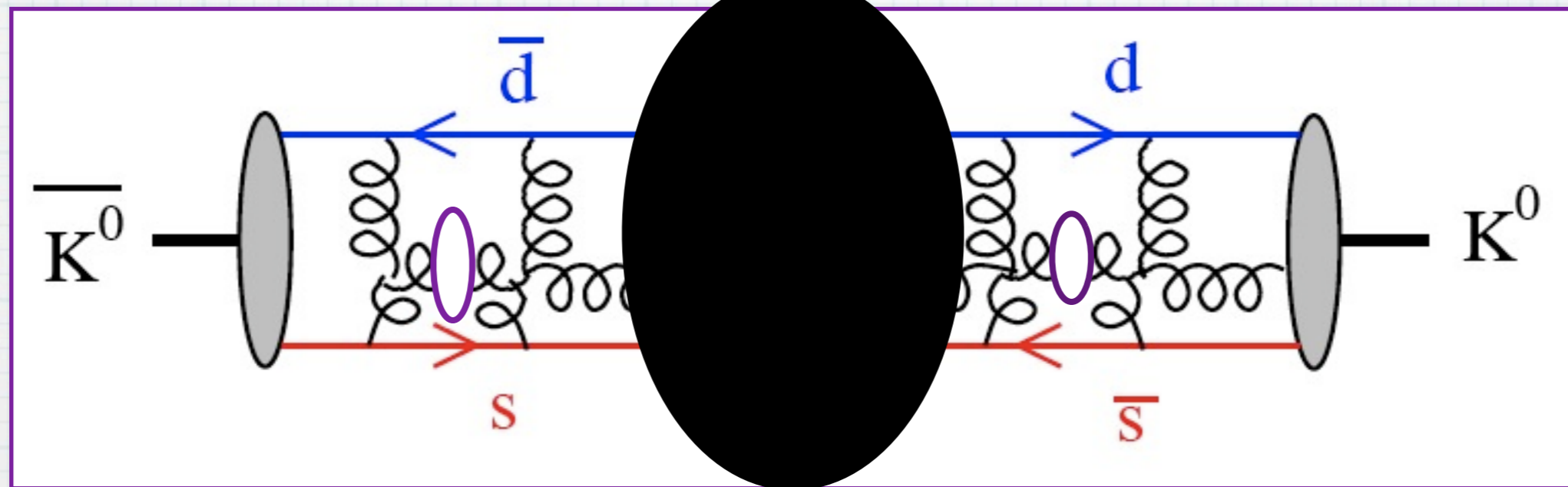
$V_{td}$  contains  
CP violating phase





# Example: $B_K$

Known local four-fermion operator



$$\epsilon_K = (\text{known factors}) \text{Im}(V_{td}^2) B_K$$

Measured (in 1964!)

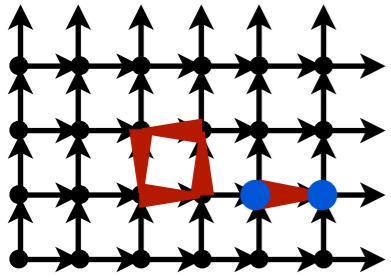
Fundamental parameter  
we wish to determine

Weak matrix element  
calculated in LQCD

# (Over)determining $V_{CKM}$

- Examples of processes needing QCD input

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 \mathbf{V}_{ud} & \mathbf{V}_{us} & \mathbf{V}_{ub} \\
 \pi \rightarrow \ell\nu & K \rightarrow \ell\nu & B \rightarrow \pi\ell\nu \\
 & K \rightarrow \pi\ell\nu & \\
 \hline
 \mathbf{V}_{cd} & \mathbf{V}_{cs} & \mathbf{V}_{cb} \\
 D \rightarrow \ell\nu & D_s \rightarrow \ell\nu & B \rightarrow D\ell\nu \\
 D \rightarrow \pi\ell\nu & D \rightarrow K\ell\nu & B \rightarrow D^*\ell\nu \\
 \hline
 \mathbf{V}_{td} & \mathbf{V}_{ts} & \mathbf{V}_{tb} \\
 B_d \leftrightarrow \bar{B}_d & B_s \leftrightarrow \bar{B}_s & \\
 \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_K & \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_K &
 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Overdetermining $V_{CKM}$

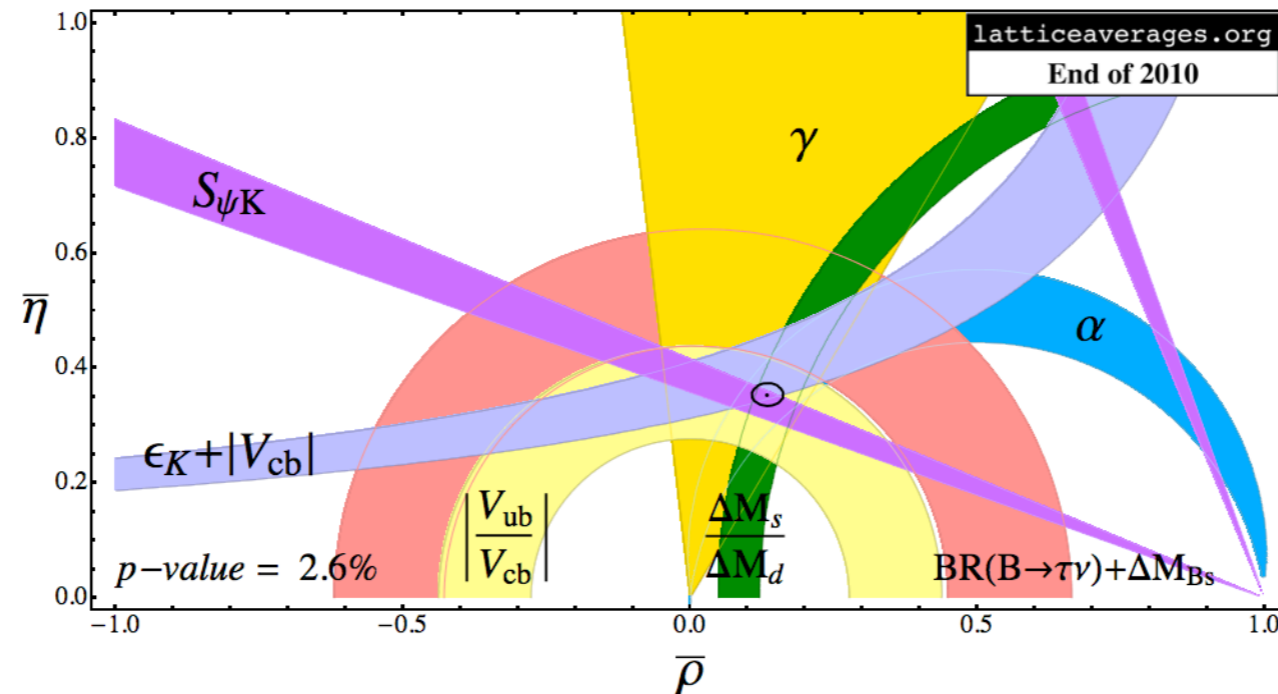
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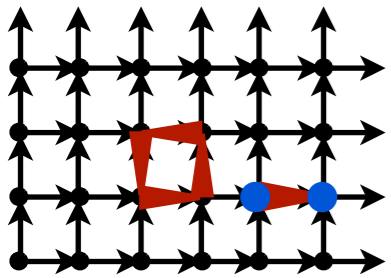
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PDG, 2010

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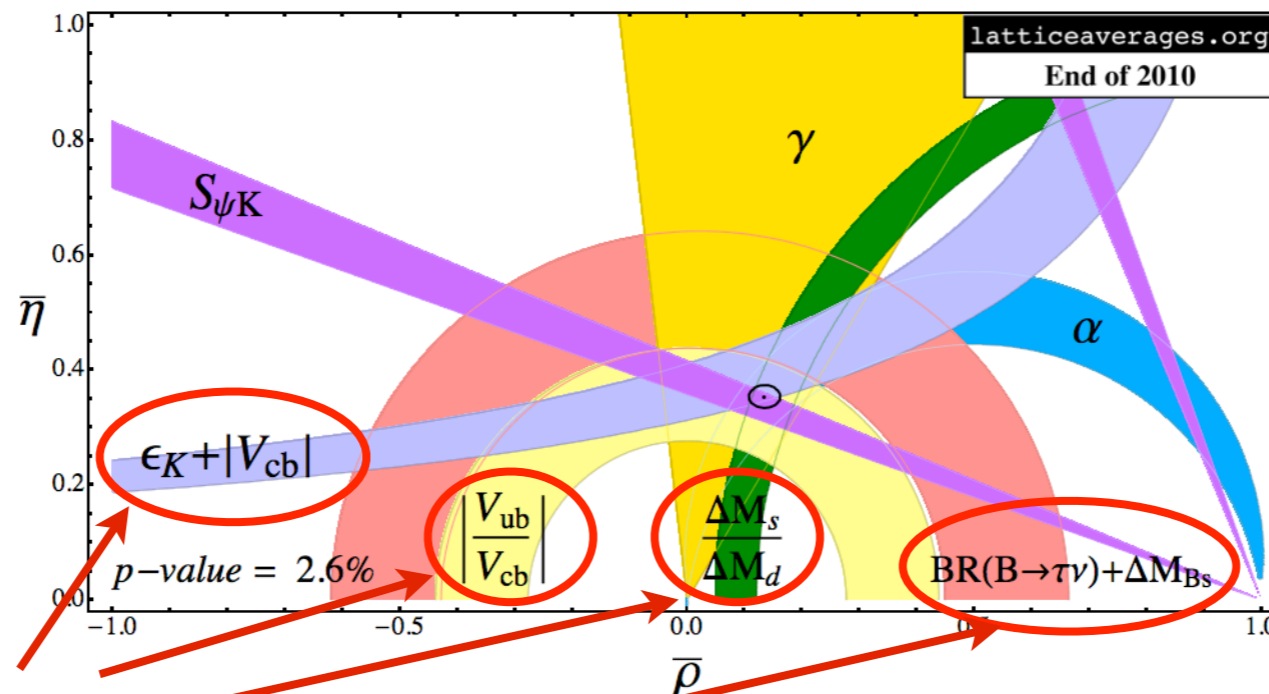
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Lattice calculation  
 required

# Lattice vs. experimental errors

[USQCD collaboration SciDac3 proposal]

Table 1: Impact of improved LQCD calculations on the determination of CKM matrix elements.

Quantity	CKM element	Present expt. error	Present lattice error	2014 lattice error	2020 lattice error
$f_K/f_\pi$	$ V_{us} $	0.2%	0.6%	0.3%	0.1%
$f_+^{K\pi}(0)$	$ V_{us} $	0.2%	0.5%	0.2%	0.1%
$D \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$	$ V_{cd} $	2.6%	10.5%	4%	1%
$D \rightarrow K \ell \nu$	$ V_{cs} $	1.1%	2.5%	2%	< 1%
$B \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \nu$	$ V_{cb} $	1.8%	1.8%	0.8%	< 0.5%
$B \rightarrow \pi \ell \nu$	$ V_{ub} $	4.1%	8.7%	4%	2%
$B \rightarrow \tau \nu$	$ V_{ub} $	21%	6.4%	2%	< 1%
$\xi$	$ V_{ts}/V_{td} $	1.0%	2.5%	1.5%	< 1%
$\Delta M_s$	$ V_{ts}V_{tb} ^2$	0.7%	10.5%	5%	3%

partial list!

Expt = (known)  $V_{CKM}$  (matrix element from LQCD)

- ★ Present lattice error typically larger than experimental error
  - ▶ One future direction of LQCD is to improve the errors
  - ▶ We think this can be done using improved methods & faster CPUs

# Examples of present status

- ★ Flavianet Lattice Averaging Group (FLAG) and its successor Flavo(u)r Lattice Averaging Group (FLAG2) aim to provide “world averages” of well calculated lattice quantities along with a critical appraisal

- ▶ FLAG2 is a world-wide organization with 28 members
- ▶ subsumes FLAG and [latticeaverages.org](http://latticeaverages.org) [Laiho, Lunghi & Van de Water]

- ▶ Advisory Board:

S. Aoki, C. Bernard, C. Sachrajda

- ▶ Editorial Board:

GC, H. Leutwyler, T. Vladikas, U. Wenger

- ▶ Working Groups

- ▶ Quark masses

- ▶  $V_{us}, V_{ud}$

- ▶ LEC

- ▶  $B_K$

- ▶  $\alpha_s$

- ▶  $f_B, B_B$

- ▶  $B \rightarrow H\nu$

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- ▶ A. Jüttner, T. Kaneko, S. Simula

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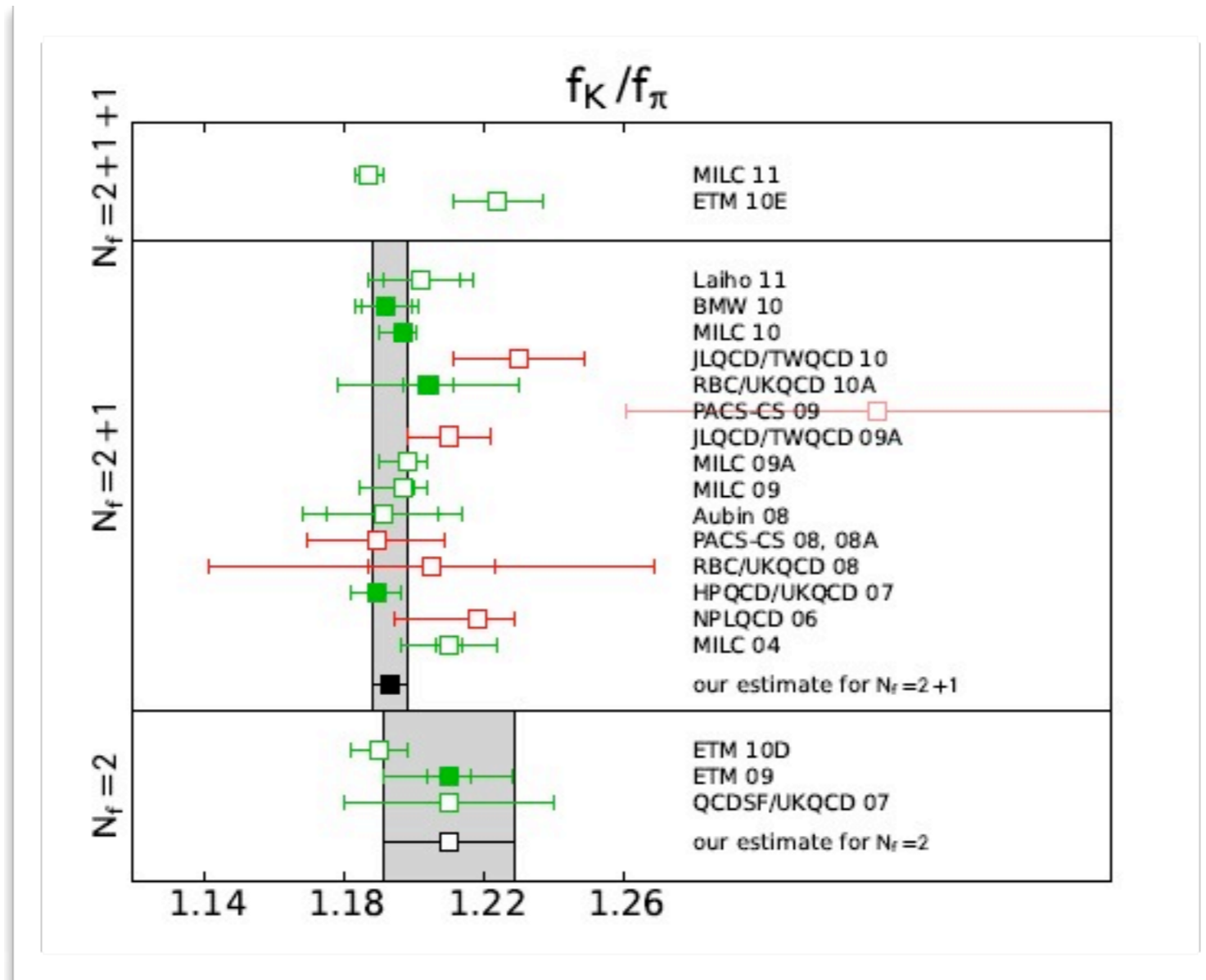
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[Colangelo, Lattice 2012]

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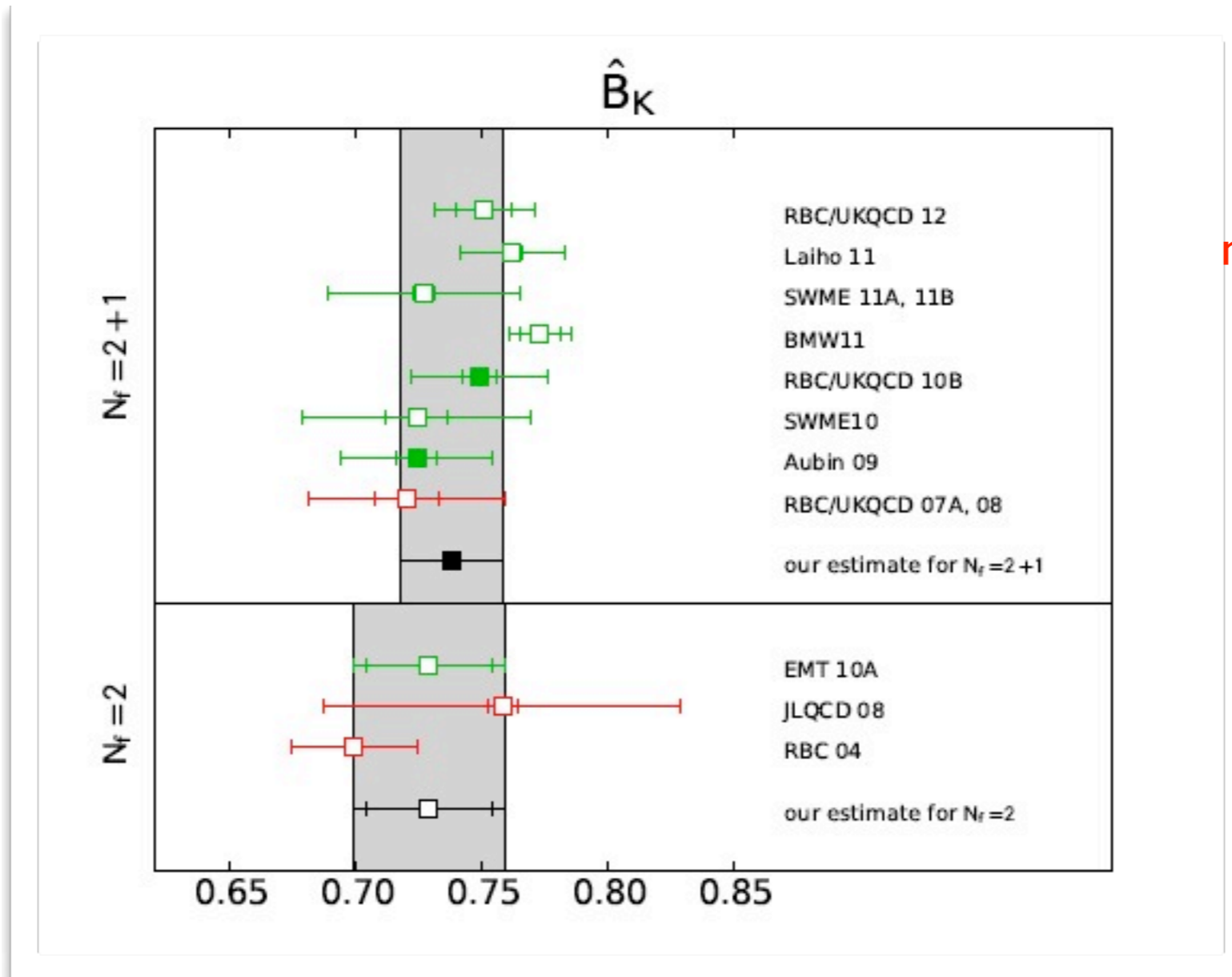


Preliminary!

[Colangelo,  
Lattice 2012]

- ★ Subpercent-level accuracy
- ★ Agreement between different fermion discretizations is crucial cross-check

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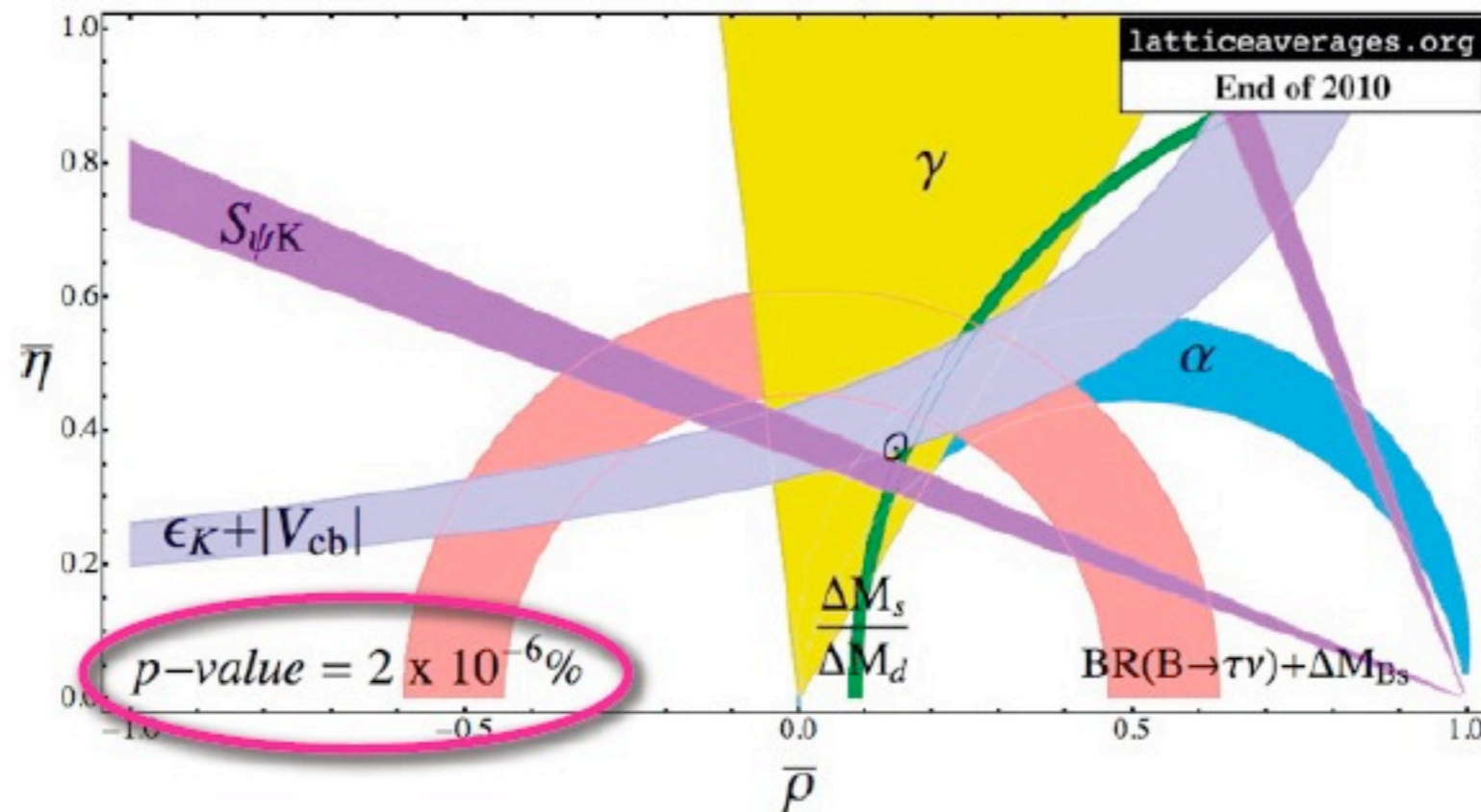
Note: average  
not yet updated!

[Colangelo,  
Lattice 2012]



# Possible future of CKM constraints

- ◆ Currently the constraints from  $\epsilon_K$ ,  $\Delta M_s/\Delta M_d$ , and  $|V_{ub}/V_{cb}|$  are **limited by uncertainties in the lattice QCD calculations** of  $|V_{cb}|_{\text{excl.}}$ ,  $\xi$ , and  $|V_{ub}|_{\text{excl.}}$ , respectively
- ◆ To illustrate the potential impact of future lattice calculations, reduce the lattice uncertainties to 1% with central values fixed, but keep experimental uncertainties fixed



- ◆ Lattice QCD is poised to play a key role in discovering new physics in the flavor sector!

[Van de Water, 2012]

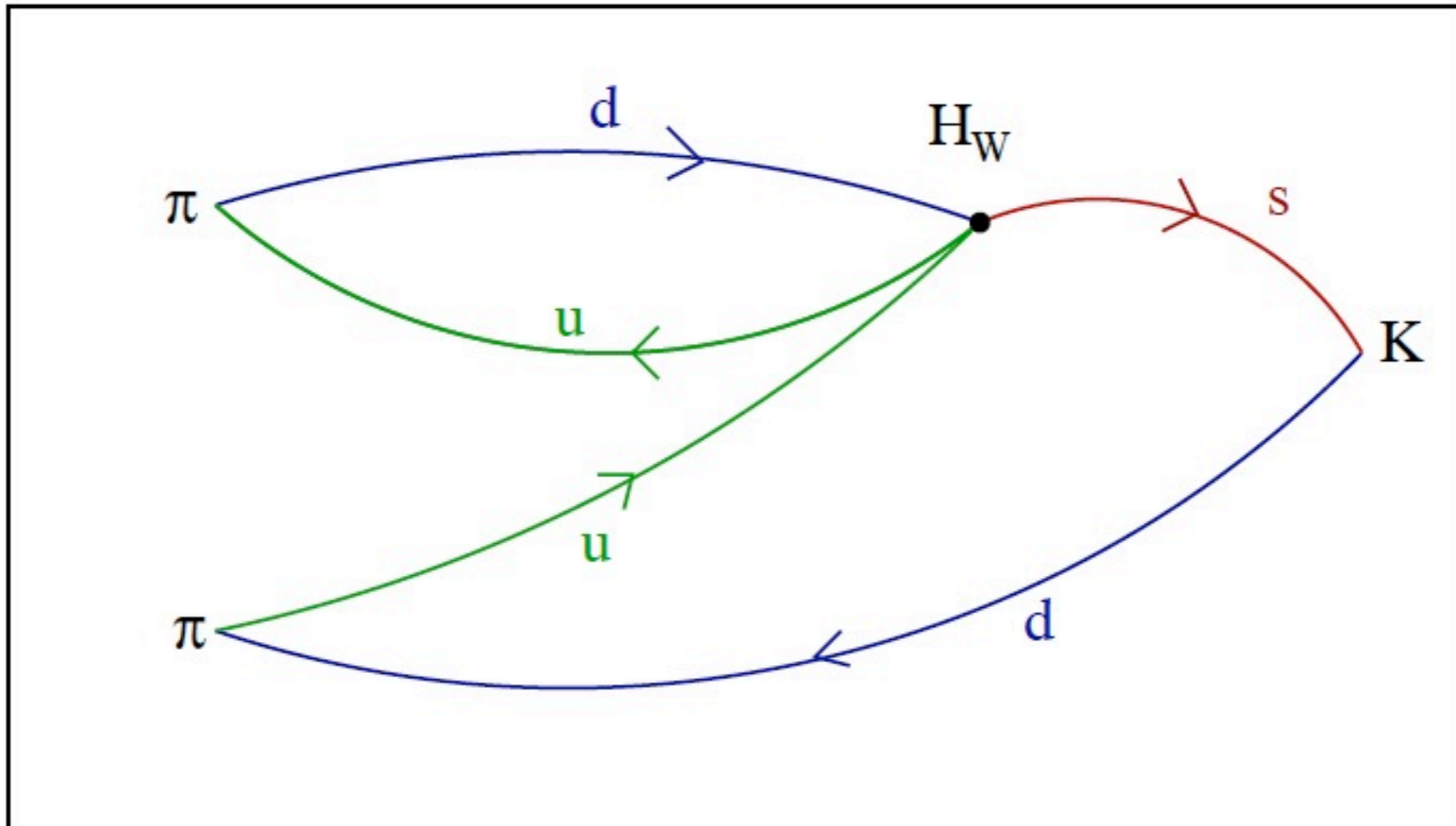
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# $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ decays and kaon mixing

- Can SM explain “ $\Delta I=1/2$  rule”?  $\frac{A[K^0 \rightarrow \pi\pi(I=0)]}{A[K^0 \rightarrow \pi\pi(I=2)]} \sim 22$
- Can SM explain CP violation in Kaon decays ( $\epsilon'_K/\epsilon_K$ )? Is new physics needed?
- Can SM explain the  $K_L$ - $K_S$  mass difference,  $\Delta M_K$ ? Is new physics needed?
- \* All three quantities require extension of lattice methods beyond those needed for “gold-plated” quantities
- \* Kaon decays require two-particle final states, which are inevitably affected by the finite box
- \* Kaon mixing requires the insertion of time-ordered product of two  $H_W$ 's
- ➡ LQCD methods exist in principle for all three quantities, but challenging to implement in practice: hope for significant progress over next 5 years

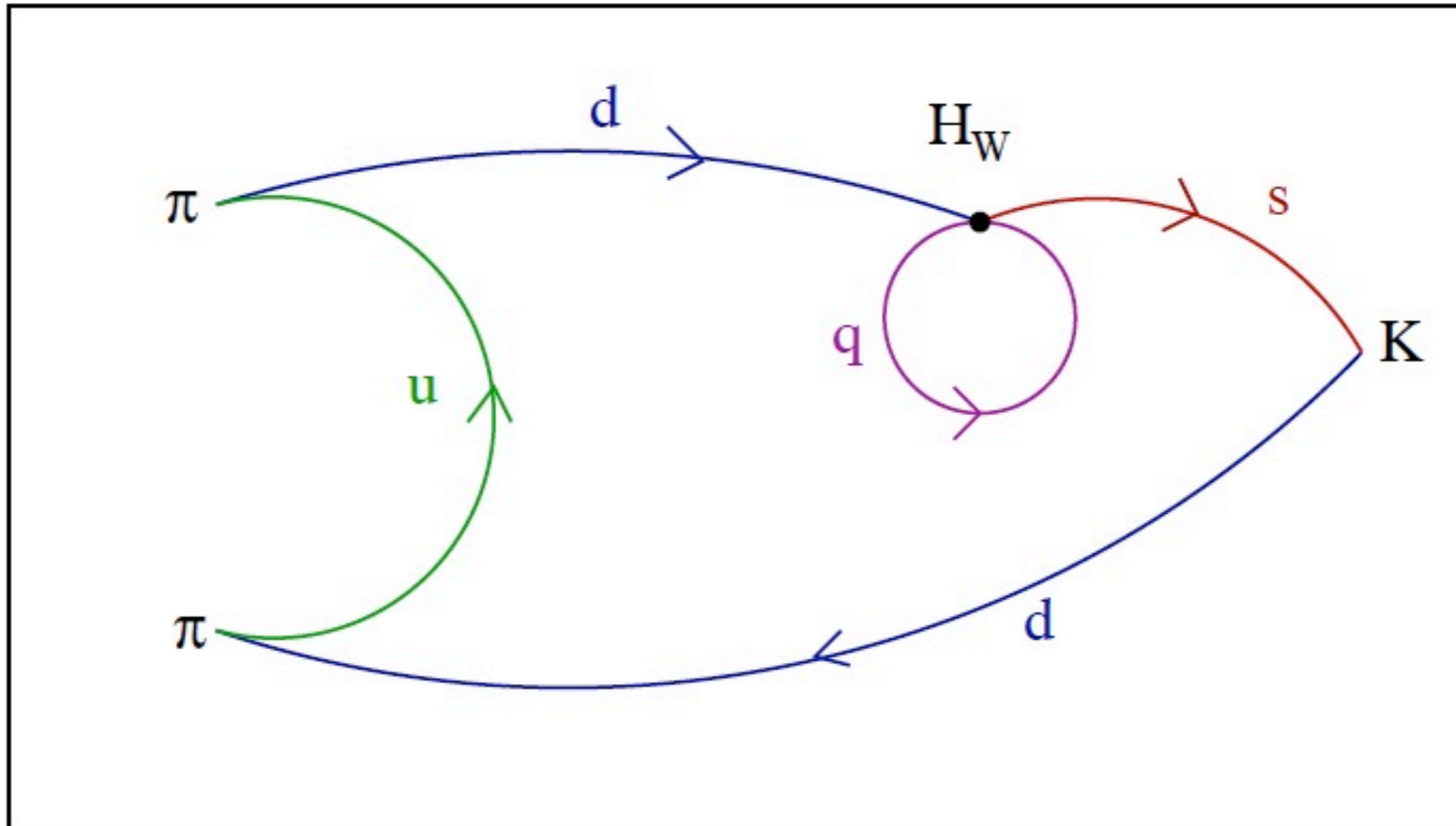
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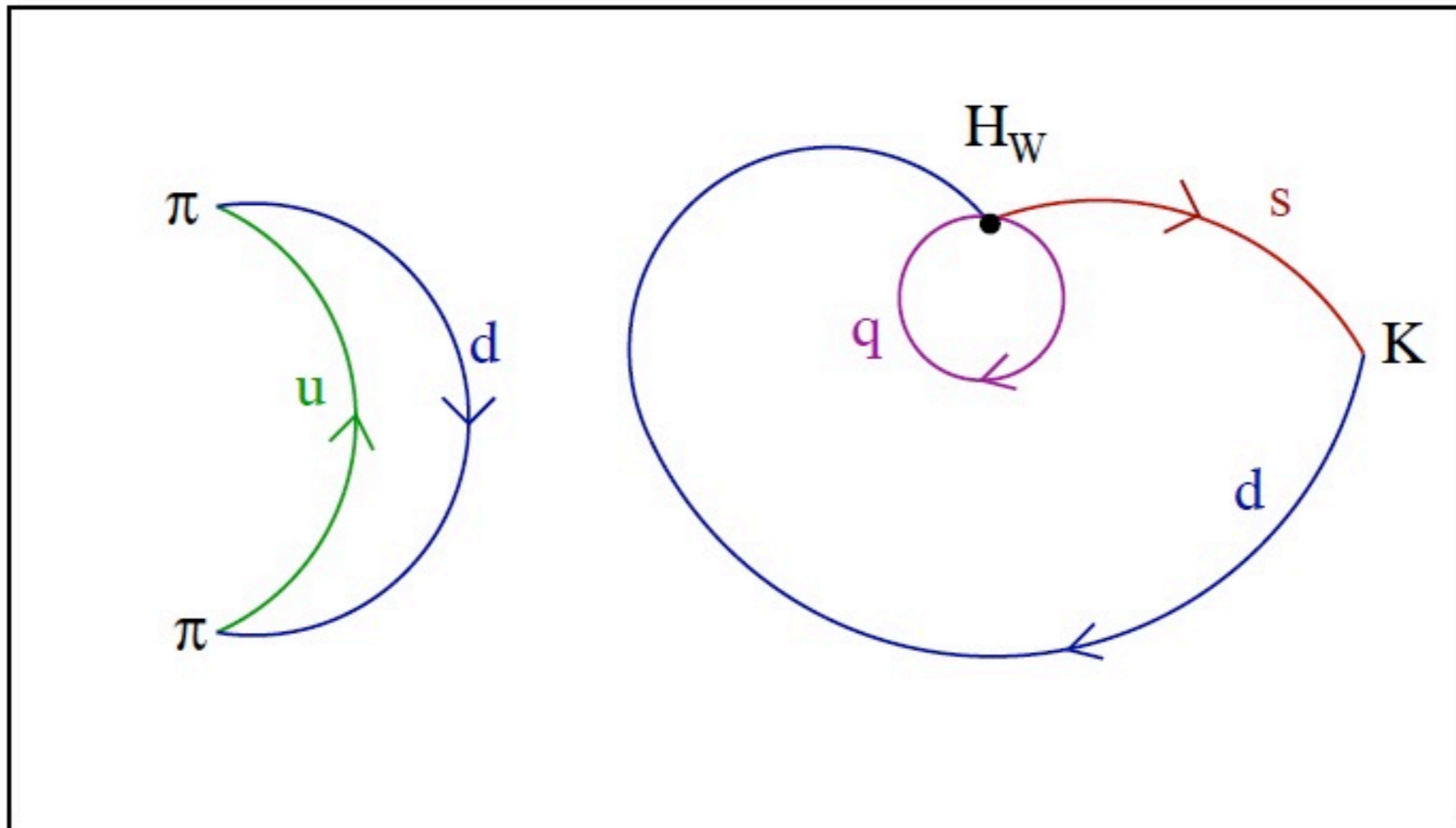
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# Ingredients for $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$

- Key theoretical issues arise from use of finite volume

- ▶ Two-particle states have discrete spectrum: need to choose  $L$  so  $E_{\pi\pi} = M_K$  ( $L \sim 6\text{fm}$ , unless use clever BC)

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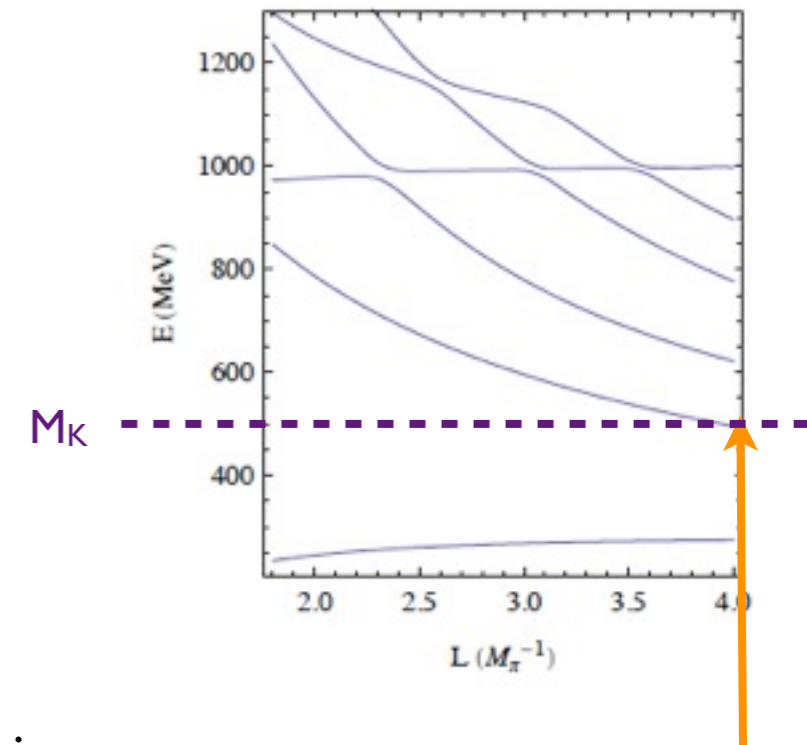
- ▶ Two-particle states distorted significantly compared to “out-states” of QFT

$${}_L \langle \pi\pi | = c_0 \langle \pi\pi(\ell = 0), \text{out} | + c_4 \langle \pi\pi(\ell = 4), \text{out} | + \dots$$

- ▶ Combining methods of Luscher and Lellouch & Luscher one can determine  $c_0$  and  $\delta(M_K)$  from  $E(L)$  &  $dE/dL$ :

$$\langle \pi\pi(\ell = 0), \text{out} | \mathcal{H}_W | K \rangle = \frac{e^{i\delta(M_K)}}{c_0} {}_L \langle \pi\pi | \mathcal{H}_W | K \rangle_L$$

- ▶ Successful calculation for easier  $I=2$  case; pilot calculation for  $I=0$  [RBC 2012]



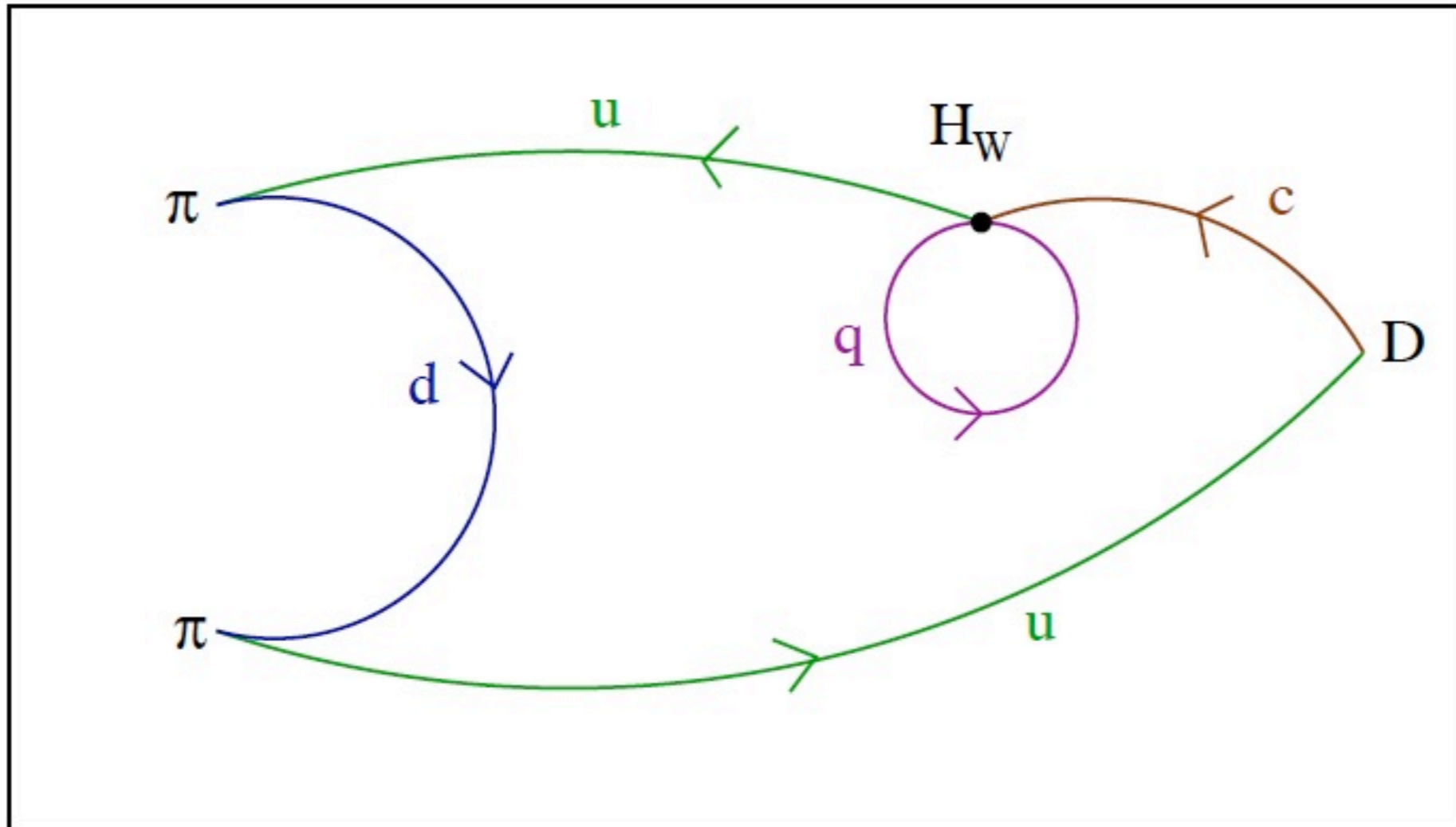
$P=0, I=0$  spectrum from UChPT with PBC (ignoring  $4\pi$  etc.) [Hansen, Lat2012]

# Generalize to $D \rightarrow \pi\pi, KK$ ?

- LHCb recently presented evidence for CP-violation in  $D \rightarrow \pi\pi, KK$  decays
  - ▶ Larger rate than (naively) expected in SM, but large hadronic uncertainties in estimates
  - ▶ Is a LQCD calculation possible?

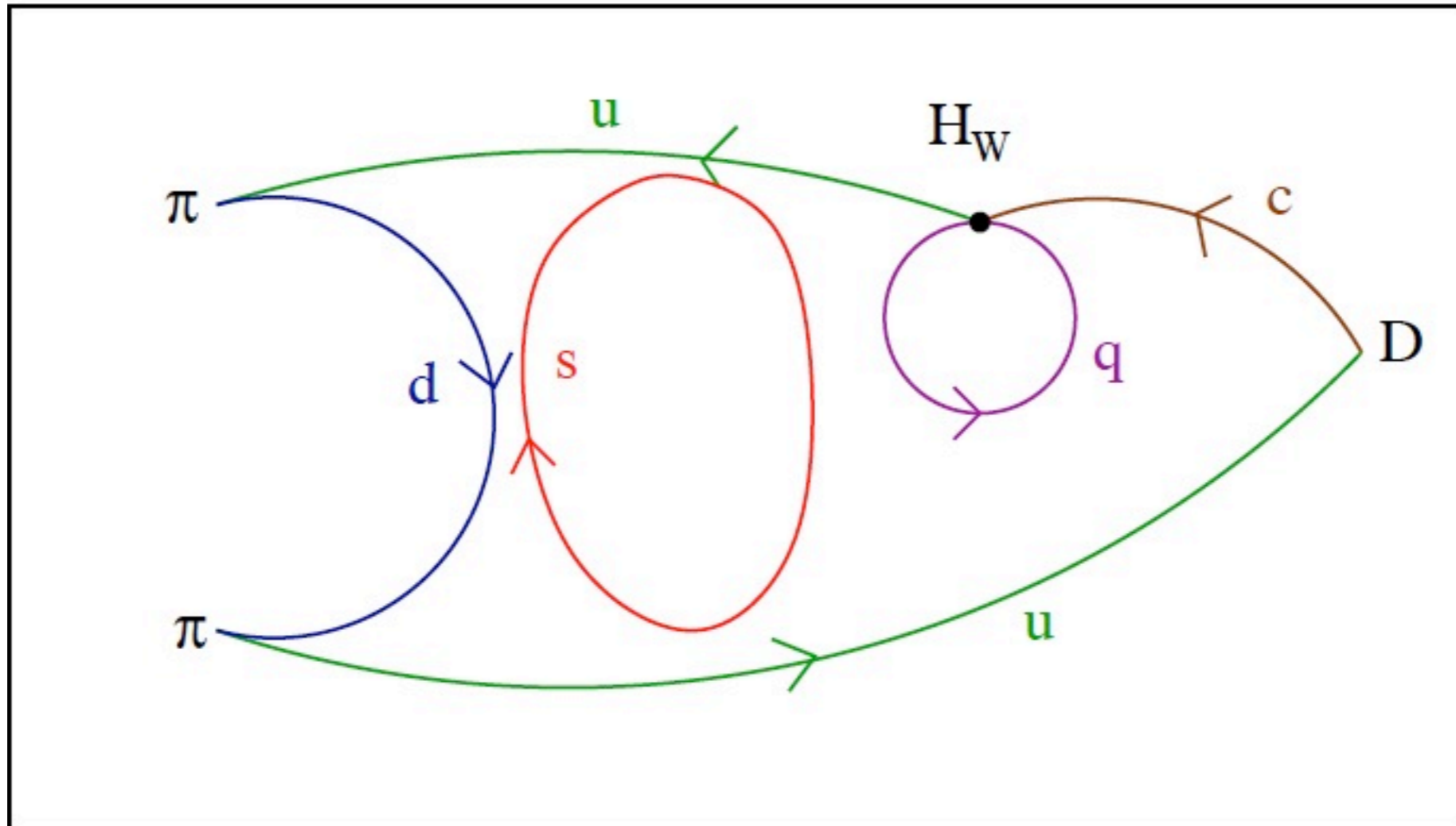


# Similar to $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ ?



$$\Rightarrow {}_L \langle n | \mathcal{H}_W | D \rangle_L$$

# Key problem: inelasticity



- Even if create two-particle state with 2 pion operator, strong interactions will mix it with  $K$ -anti $K$ , with 4 pions, etc
- FV states are mixtures!

# Ingredients for $D \rightarrow \pi\pi, KK$

- Need to generalize Luscher's quantization formula and Lellouch & Luscher's relation between finite and infinite volume states to multiple channels
  - ▶ Possible if keep only two-particle channels ( $\pi\pi, KK, \eta\eta$ ) [Bernard, Lage, Meissner & Rusetsky, Liu et al., Lage et al., Doring et al., Aoki et al., Hansen & SS, Briceño & Davoudi]
  - ▶ Not yet generalized to include  $4\pi, 6\pi$ , etc.
- Completing the theoretical framework and carrying out a numerical calculation are challenging and very interesting future problems
- Other related interesting (and challenging) applications, e.g.

$$\Omega^- \rightarrow \Lambda K^-, \Xi^0 \pi^-, \Xi^- \pi^0$$

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# Pushing the Euclidean frontier

- How can we use LQCD to calculate two-photon decays of hadrons?
  - ▶  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  : Predicted by ABJ anomaly; test of chiral symmetry of lattice fermion formulation
  - ▶  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma^*$  : Needed as part of model for “light-by-light” contributions to muonic  $g-2$
  - ▶  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, \eta' \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, a_0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  : test LQCD calculations in new domain
  - ▶  $\eta_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, \chi_c \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  : shed light on models for charmonium states
- Problem: photons are not strong-interaction eigenstates
- Solution [Ji & Jung]: integrate out photons by hand (in perturbation theory) & perform analytic continuation to obtain a (weighted) Euclidean correlator
- Appears practical with modern methods, and results obtained by [Dudek & Roberts; Cohen, Lin, Dudek & Richards; Feng et al.]

# How does this work?

- Use LSZ reduction in Minkowski space

$$\langle \gamma(q_1, \lambda_1) \gamma(q_2, \lambda_2) | M(p) \rangle = - \lim_{\substack{q_1' \rightarrow q_1 \\ q_2' \rightarrow q_2}} \epsilon_\mu^*(q_1, \lambda_1) \epsilon_\nu^*(q_2, \lambda_2) q_1'^2 q_2'^2 \int d^4x d^4y e^{iq_1' \cdot y + iq_2' \cdot x} \langle 0 | T \{ A^\mu(y) A^\nu(x) \} | M(p) \rangle,$$

- Use leading order QED perturbation theory to rewrite in terms of

$$j_\mu = \sum_f Q_f \bar{q}_f \gamma_\mu q_f \quad \text{QCD EM current}$$

$$M_{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2) = i \int d^4x e^{ip_1 x} \langle \Omega | T \{ j_\mu(x) j_\nu(0) \} | \pi^0(q) \rangle$$

[Apologies:  $q_1$  has become  $p_1$  !]

$$= \epsilon_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} p_1^\alpha p_2^\beta \mathcal{F}_{\pi^0\gamma\gamma}(m_\pi^2, p_1^2, p_2^2)$$

off-shell photon amplitude

- Relation to decay rate

$$\Gamma_{\pi^0\gamma\gamma} = \frac{\pi \alpha_e^2 m_\pi^3}{4} \mathcal{F}_{\pi^0\gamma\gamma}^2(m_\pi^2, 0, 0)$$

- Anomaly/Chiral PT prediction:

$$\mathcal{F}_{\pi^0\gamma\gamma}(0, 0, 0) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2 F_0}$$

# How does this work?

- Analytically continue from Minkowski to Euclidean time

$$M_{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2) = i \int d^4x e^{ip_1x} \langle \Omega | T \{ j_\mu(x) j_\nu(0) \} | \pi^0(q) \rangle$$



pick out pion

grows for  $t_1 > t_2$  !

$$M_{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2) = \lim_{t_{1,2} - t_\pi \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{\phi_{\pi, \vec{q}}}{2E_{\pi, \vec{q}}} e^{-E_{\pi, \vec{q}}(t_2 - t_\pi)}} \int dt_1 e^{\omega(t_1 - t_2)} C_{\mu\nu}(t_1, t_2, t_\pi),$$

$$C_{\mu\nu}(t_1, t_2, t_\pi) \equiv \int d^3\vec{x} e^{-i\vec{p}_1 \cdot \vec{x}} \int d^3\vec{z} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{z}} \langle \Omega | T \{ j_\mu(\vec{x}, t_1) j_\nu(\vec{y}, t_2) \pi^0(\vec{z}, t_\pi) \} | \Omega \rangle$$

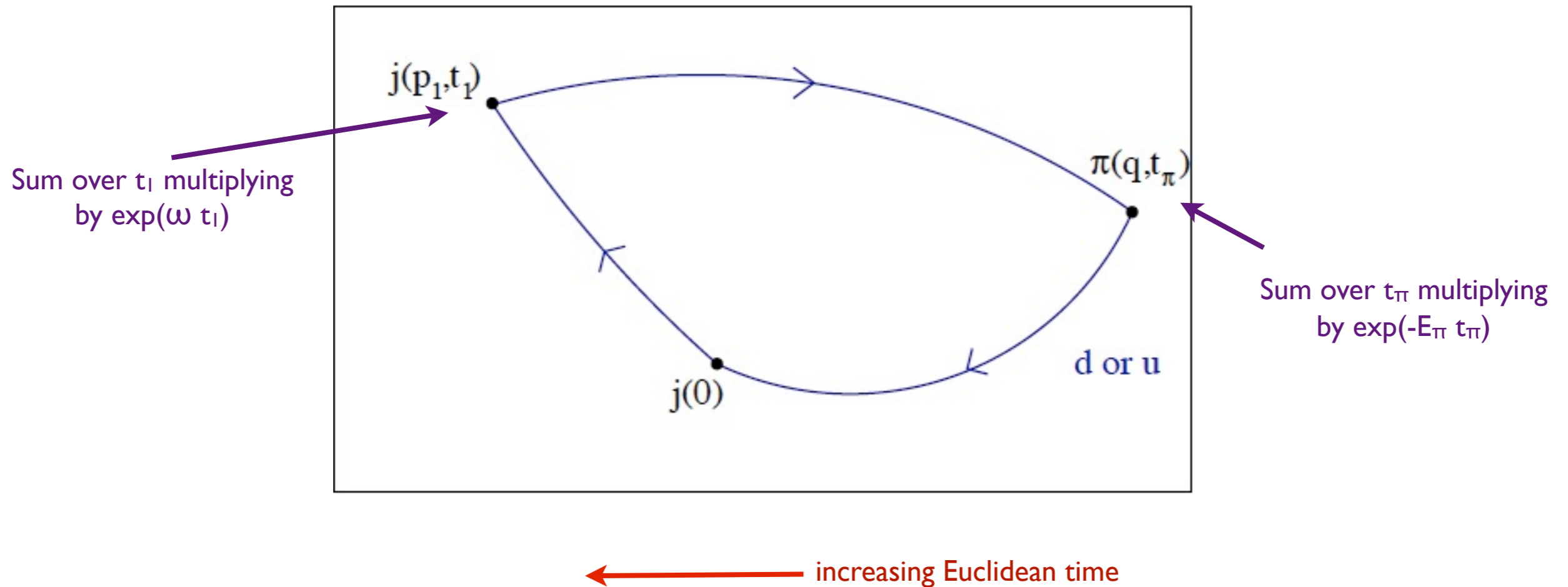


Something LQCD can calculate!

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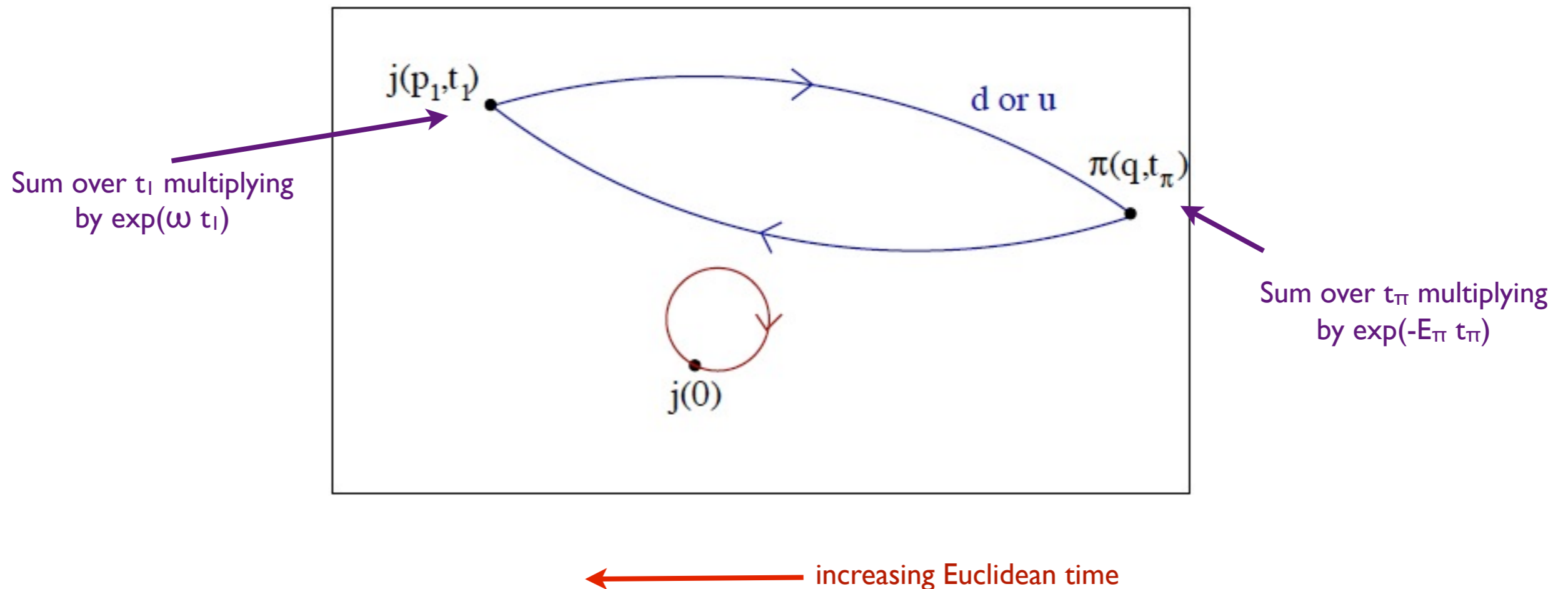
- Valid for  $\omega < E(\pi\pi)$
- Works in practice



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$$C_{\mu\nu}(t_1, t_2, t_\pi) \equiv \int d^3 \vec{x} e^{-i\vec{p}_1 \cdot \vec{x}} \int d^3 \vec{z} e^{i\vec{q} \cdot \vec{z}} \langle \Omega | T \{ j_\mu(\vec{x}, t_1) j_\nu(\vec{y}, t_2) \pi^0(\vec{z}, t_\pi) \} | \Omega \rangle$$



- Disconnected contractions harder, but make small contribution and can be handled with distillation etc.

# Results

- Only unquenched calculation to date is for  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  by [Feng et al.]
  - ▶ Use overlap fermions and (as expected) reproduce anomaly prediction to 2% accuracy
  - ▶ Important test of new method

# Selected References

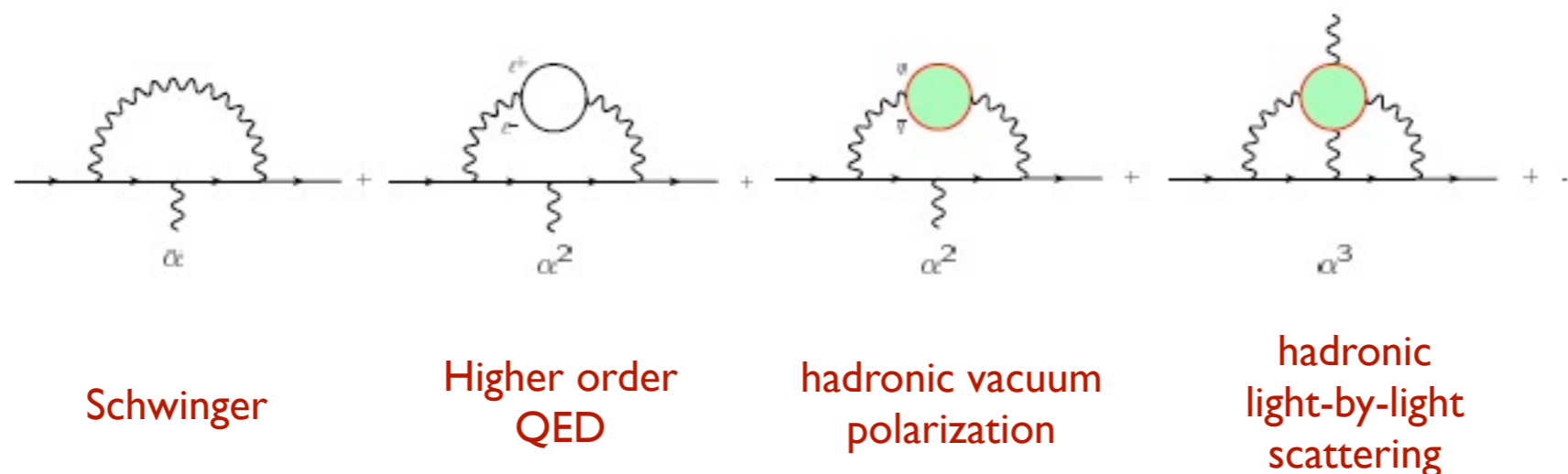
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# Hadronic contributions to $g-2$

Good reference: [T. Blum, plenary talk at Lattice 2012]

- Magnetic moment of muon is proportional to its spin

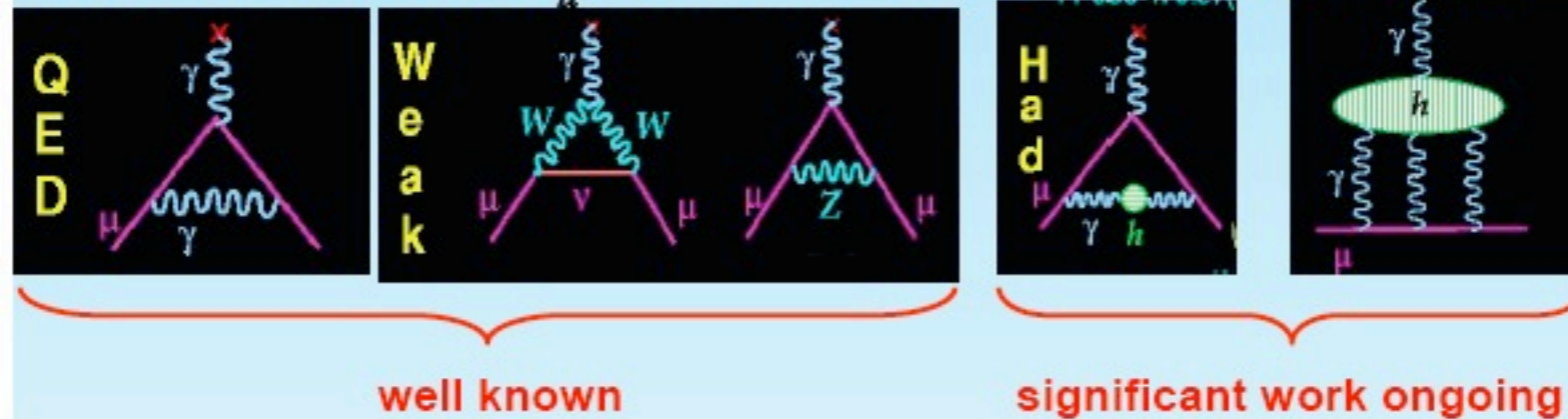
$$\vec{\mu} = g \left( \frac{e}{2m} \right) \vec{S} \quad g = 2 + \frac{a_\mu}{2} \quad a_\mu = \frac{\alpha_{EM}}{2\pi} + \dots$$



- Present & proposed experimental accuracy requires calculation of both hadronic contributions
- Vacuum pol. can be obtained from experiment, with LQCD starting to compete
- Light-by-light requires non-perturbative methods

# Theory vs. experiment

The SM Value for  $a_\mu$  from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$  (Updated 9/10)



CONTRIBUTION	RESULT ( $\times 10^{-11}$ ) UNITS
QED (leptons)	$116\,584\,718.09 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.04_\alpha$
HVP(lo)	$6\,914 \pm 42_{\text{exp}} \pm 14_{\text{rad}} \pm 7_{\text{pQCD}}$
HVP(ho)	$-98 \pm 1_{\text{exp}} \pm 0.3_{\text{rad}}$
HLxL	$105 \pm 26$
EW	$152 \pm 2 \pm 1$
Total SM	$116\,591\,793 \pm 51$

# A. Höcker Tau 2010, U. Manchester September 2010



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$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} = 116\,592\,089(63) \times 10^{-11} \text{ (0.54 ppm)}$$

$$\Delta a_\mu \equiv a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = (287 \pm 80) \times 10^{-11}$$

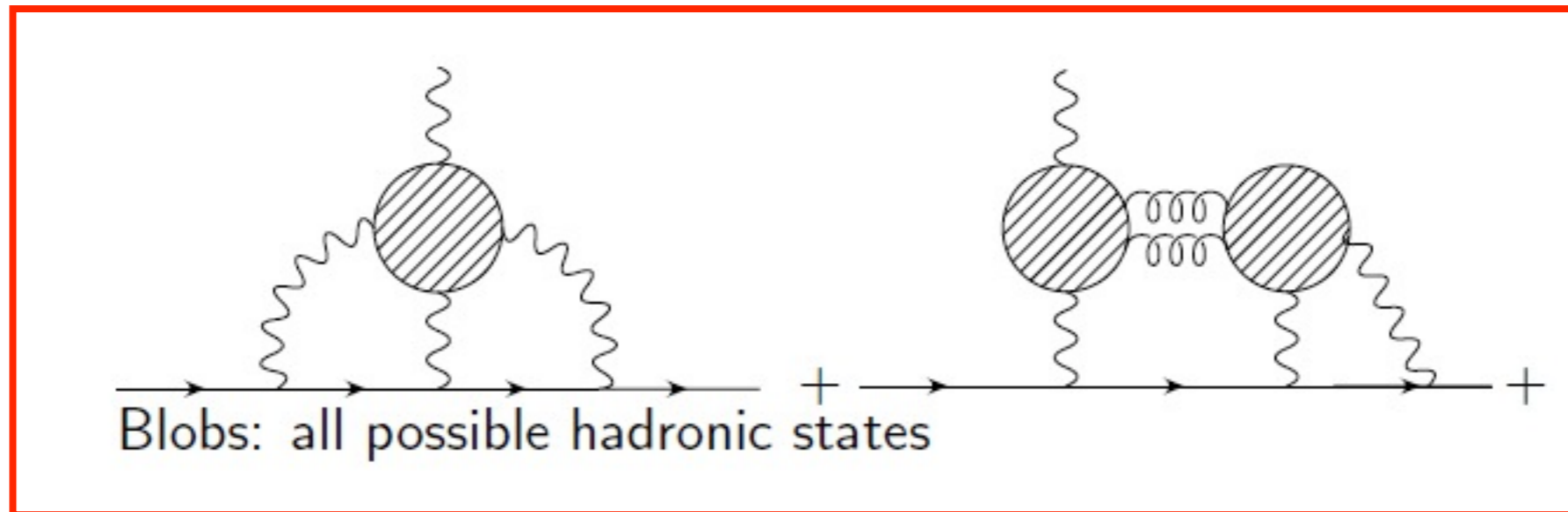
**Difference is  $\sim 3.6 \sigma$**

# Theory vs. experiment

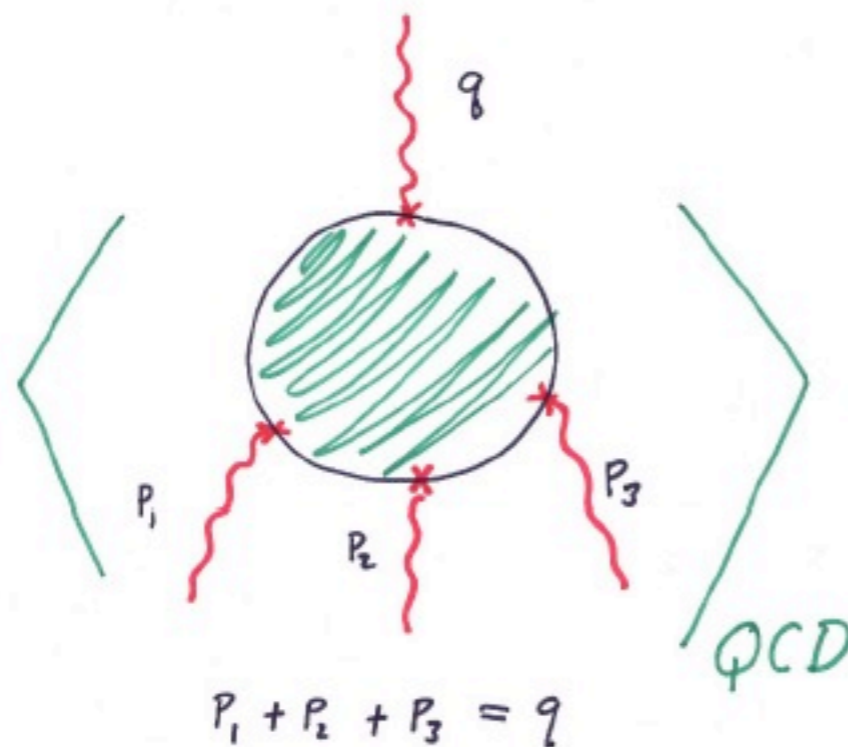
## New experiments + new theory

- ▶ Fermilab E989,  $\sim 5$  years away, 0.14 ppm
- ▶ J-PARC E34 ? (recently, lower priority than  $\mu \rightarrow e$ )
- ▶  $a_\mu(\text{Expt}) - a_\mu(\text{SM}) = 287(63)(51) (\times 10^{-11})$ , or  $\sim 3.6\sigma$
- ▶ If both central values stay the same,
  - ▶ E989 ( $\sim 4\times$  smaller error)  $\rightarrow \sim 5\sigma$
  - ▶ E989 + new HLBL theory (models + lattice, 10%)  $\rightarrow \sim 6\sigma$
  - ▶ E989 + new HLBL + new HVP (50% reduction)  $\rightarrow \sim 8\sigma$
- ▶ **Big discrepancy!** (New Physics  $\sim 2\times$  Electroweak)
- ▶ Lattice calculations crucial
- ▶  $a_\mu$  good for constraining and explaining BSM physics

# Hadronic light-by-light contribution



## Conventional approach



Correlation of 4 EM currents  
 $\Pi^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}(q, p_1, p_2)$

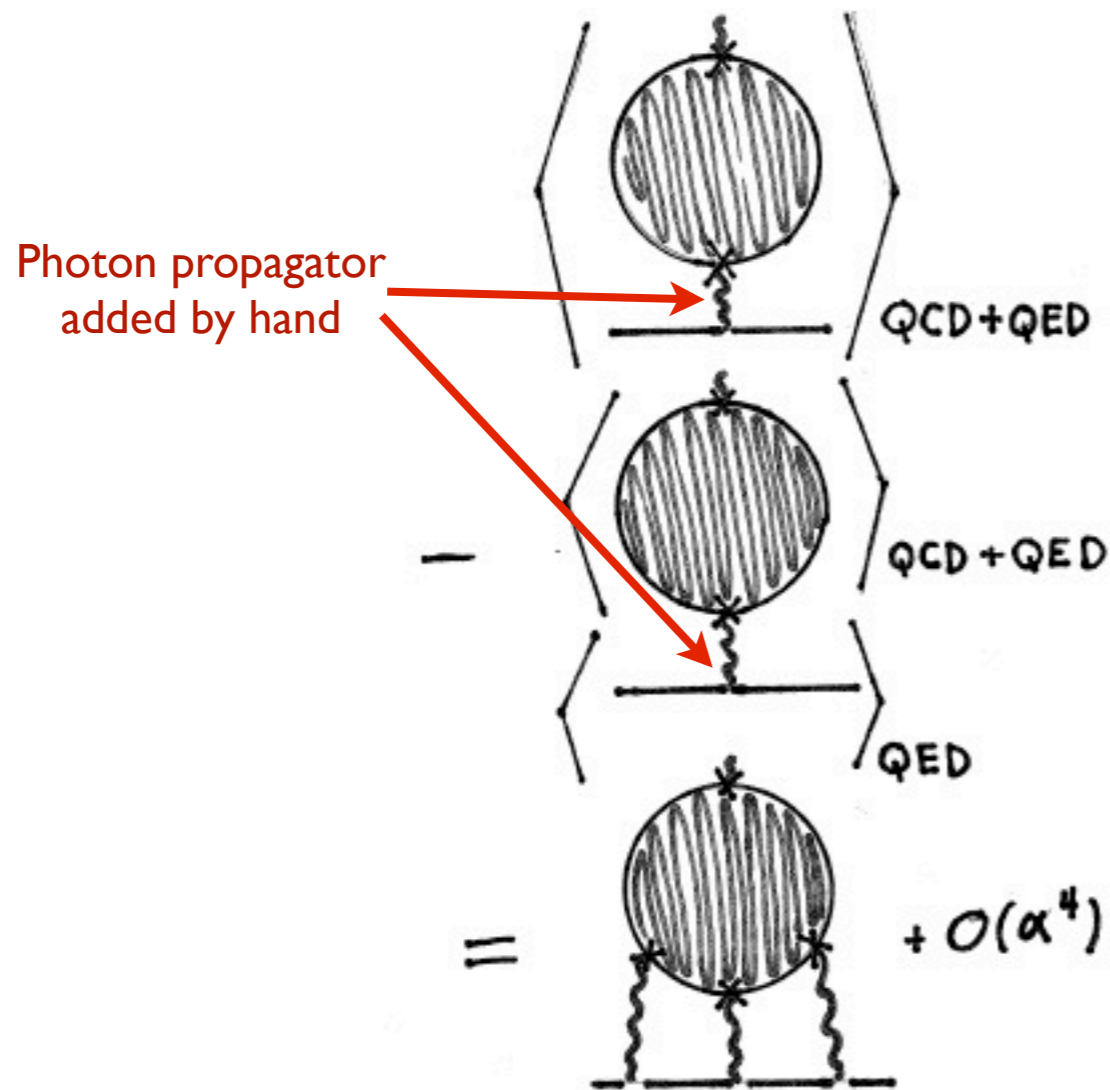
Two independent momenta  
 + external mom  $q$

Compute for all possible  
 values of  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ , ( $O(V^2)$ )  
 four index tensor (32 Lorentz  
 structures for  $g=2$ !)

several  $q$ , (extrap  $q \rightarrow 0$ ),  
 fit, plug into perturbative QED  
 two-loop integrals

# Hadronic light-by-light contribution

New approach [Blum et al.]



Subtraction term is product of separate averages of the loop and line

Gauge configurations identical in both, so two are **highly correlated**

In PT, correlation function and subtraction have **same contributions except the light-by-light** term which is absent in the subtraction



First results look promising---but ~5 year project



# Outline

- Summary of present status
  - ✳ Focus on weak matrix elements
- Future directions and challenges
  - ✳  $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$  decays ( $\Delta I = 1/2$  rule & CP violation) &  $\Delta M_K$
  - ✳  $D \rightarrow \pi\pi, K\bar{K}$  --- is a lattice calculation possible?
  - ✳  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  (pushing the limits of Euclidean-space calculations)
  - ✳ Predicting hadronic contributions to muonic  $g-2$
- Outlook

# Outlook

- ★ LQCD is a mature method when applied single, stable hadrons
- ★ LQCD plays an essential role in the search for new physics at the intensity frontier
- ★ Many opportunities to extend this role both by improving “gold-plated” calculations and by generalizing methods to new quantities (requiring theoretical, algorithmic and computational work)
- ★ Many other new directions relevant to high-energy physics not discussed here
  - ▶ Including isospin breaking and QED effects [see Taku Izubuchi’s lectures]
  - ▶ Using LQCD to test & determine constants in chiral perturbation theory [see Brian Tiburzi’s lectures]
  - ▶ Using LQCD as a “sand box” to understand physics of confinement
  - ▶ Studying nearly conformal QCD-like theories as potential models of dynamical electroweak symmetry breaking (“walking technicolor”)
  - ▶ Extending to large  $N_c$  to make contact with AdS/QCD approaches---possibly using Eguchi-Kawai reduction so as to allow one to work on a single site
- ★ I look forward to your exciting contributions in the years to come!