

# Nucleon structure from lattice QCD on $(10 \text{ fm})^4$ lattices at the physical point

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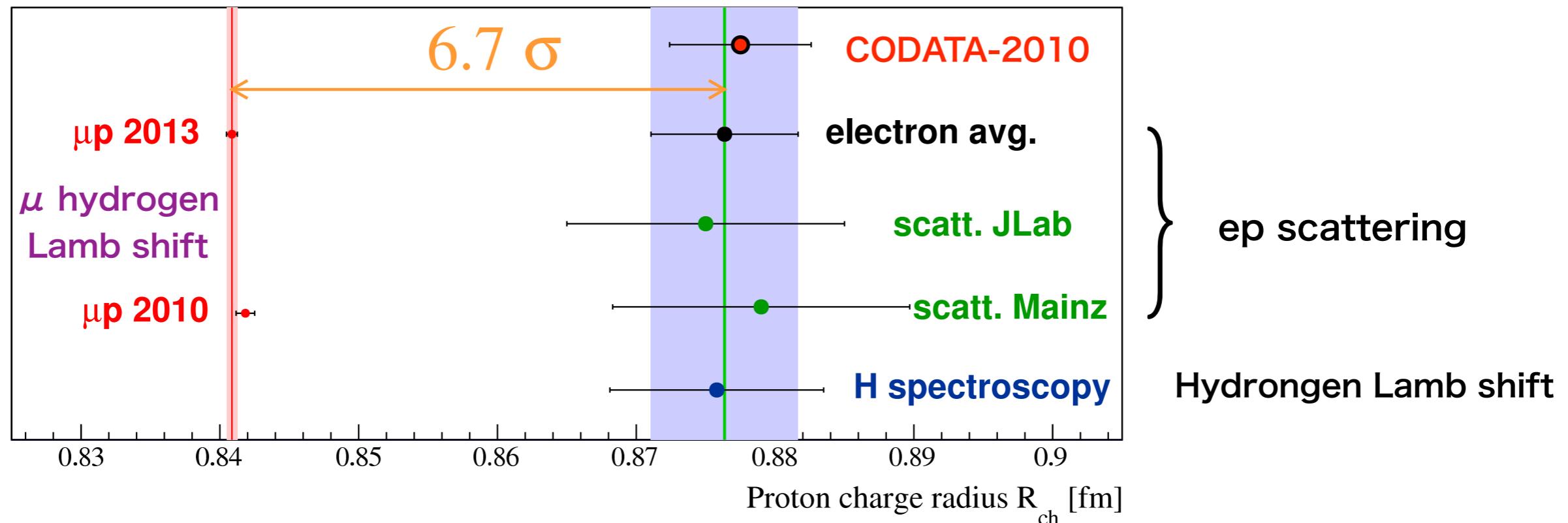


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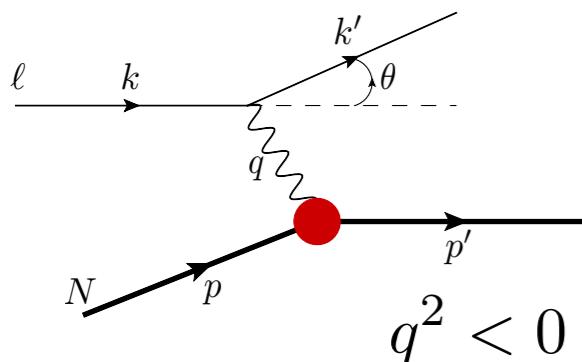
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# Proton-size puzzle

**Proton charge radius :**  $G_E(q^2) = 1 - \frac{q^2}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle_E + \mathcal{O}(q^4)$



[Arrington, arXiv:1506.00873]

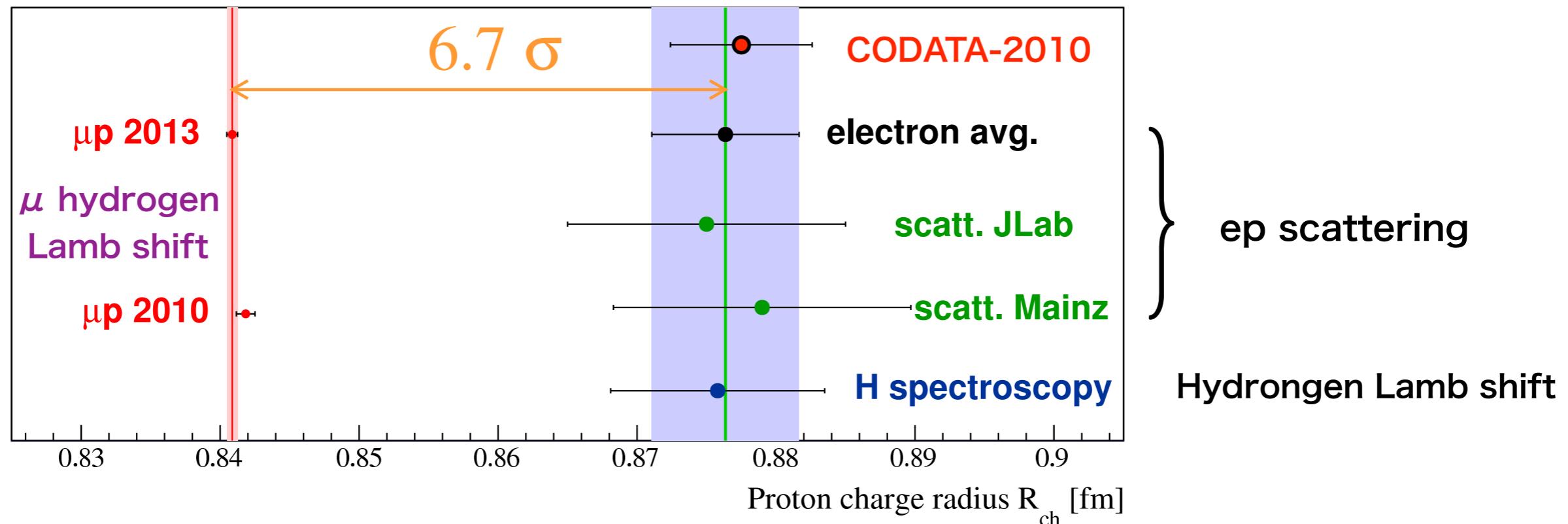


$$\langle p' | V^\mu(q) | p \rangle = \bar{u}(p') \left[ \gamma^\mu F_1(q^2) + i\sigma^{\mu\nu} \frac{q_\nu}{2M} F_2(q^2) \right] u(p)$$

$$= \bar{u}(p') \left[ \frac{(p' + p)^\mu}{2M} \frac{\frac{q^2}{4M^2} G_M(q^2)}{1 - \frac{q^2}{4M^2}} + i\sigma^{\mu\nu} \frac{q_\nu}{2M} G_M(q^2) \right] u(p)$$

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

# Our strategy

- ✓ Use **PACS10** gauge configurations ([T. Yamazaki's talk on the last day](#))
  - ▶ **Physical point** → No chiral extrapolation
  - ▶ **Very large spatial volume** → No finite size effect & Low  $q^2$  physics
  - ▶ **3 different lattice cut-offs** → Continuum limit (currently not available)
- ✓ All-mode averaging technique → High precision measurements
- ✓ Highly tuned smearing → Suppression of excited-state contributions

# Status of PACS10 projects

T. Yamazaki' talk (tomorrow)

Configuration	PACS10		HPCI
Resource	Oakforest-PACS → Fugaku		K-computer
$N_f$	2+1		2+1
$m_\pi$ [MeV]	135		146
$L$ [fm]	10 fm		8.1 fm
$L^3 \times T$	$128^4(64^4)$	$160^4$	$256^4$
$a$ [fm]	0.085	0.063	~0.04
Status	done	done	running
Nucleon FF	done	continuing	planning
SF, NPR	done	planning	N/A

# Iso-vector quantities

# electromagnetic current

$$\begin{aligned}
J_\mu^{\text{em}} &= \frac{2}{3}\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{3}\bar{d}\gamma_\mu d + \dots \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left( \bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d \right) + \frac{1}{6} \left( \bar{u}\gamma_\mu u + \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d \right) = J_\mu^V + \frac{1}{3}J_\mu^S
\end{aligned}$$

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

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

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

$$\langle p | J_\mu^{\text{em}} | p \rangle$$

**proton ME**

# neutron ME

# iso-vector

# Weak process

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

# Our published results on coarse lattice ( $a=0.085$ fm)

- Our old HPCI results (PRD98 (2018) 074510)

- $(8.1 \text{ fm})^3$  spatial volume with  $m_\pi = 146 \text{ MeV}$

	iso-vector obs.	HPCI(96 <sup>4</sup> )	Expt.
Vector	$\sqrt{\langle r_E^2 \rangle}$	0.92(10) fm	0.939(6) fm (e-p) 0.907(1) fm ( $\mu$ H)
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	$\sqrt{\langle r_M^2 \rangle}$	1.44(41) fm <small>~28%</small>	0.862(14) fm
Axial	$g_A = F_A(0)$	1.16(8) <small>~7%</small>	1.2724(23)
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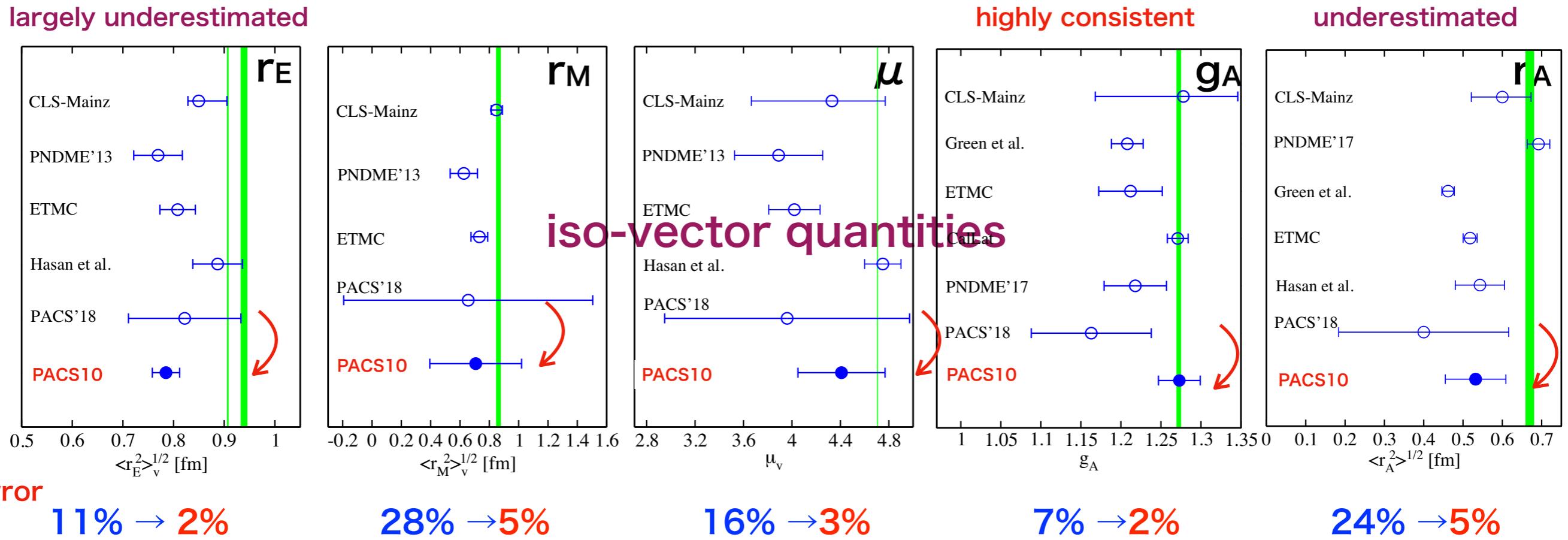
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but their statistical uncertainties are very large.

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- Our previous PACS10 results (PRD99 (2019) 014510)
  - $(10.8 \text{ fm})^3$  spatial volume with  $m_\pi = 135$  MeV
  - All-mode-averaging technique (E. Shintani et al., PRD91 (2015) 114511)
    - gain high statistical precision ( a few % level )
- Five basic (isovector) quantities ( $r_E, r_M, \mu, g_A, r_A$ )

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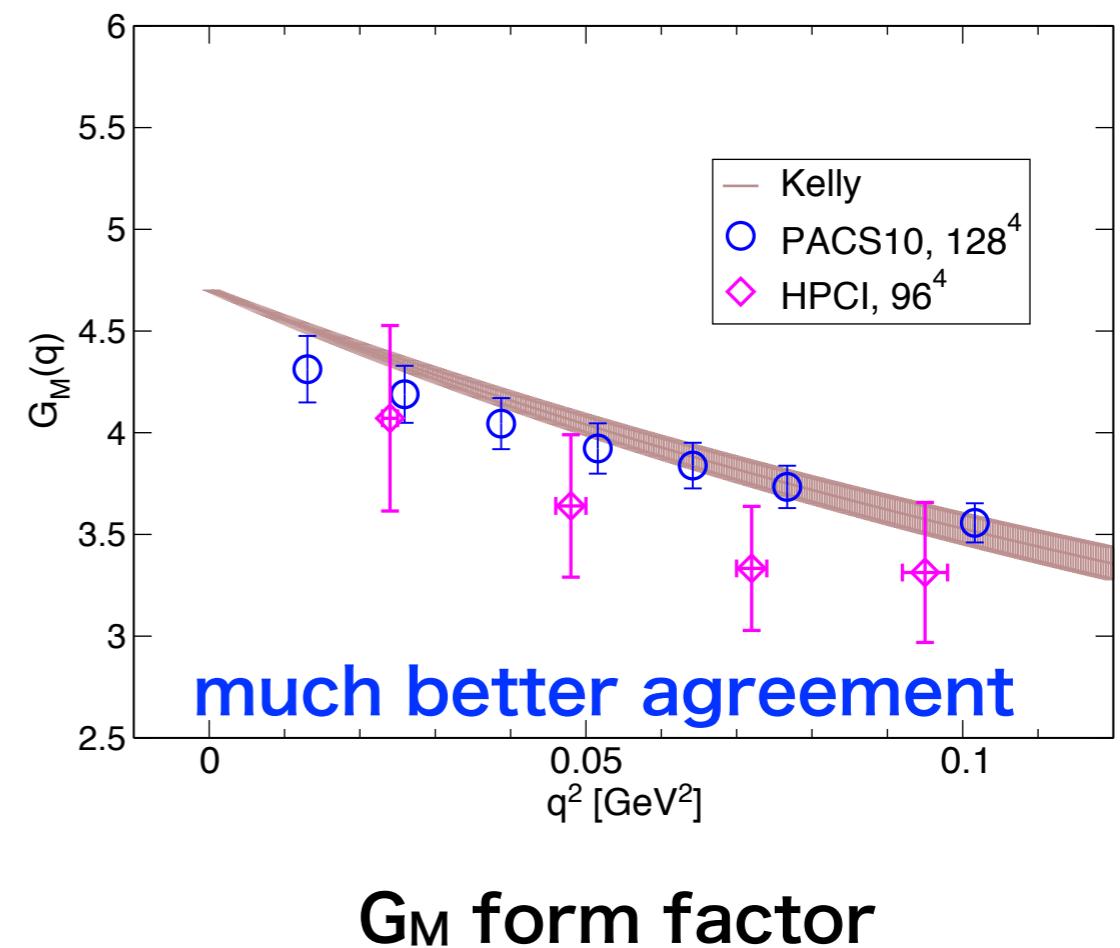
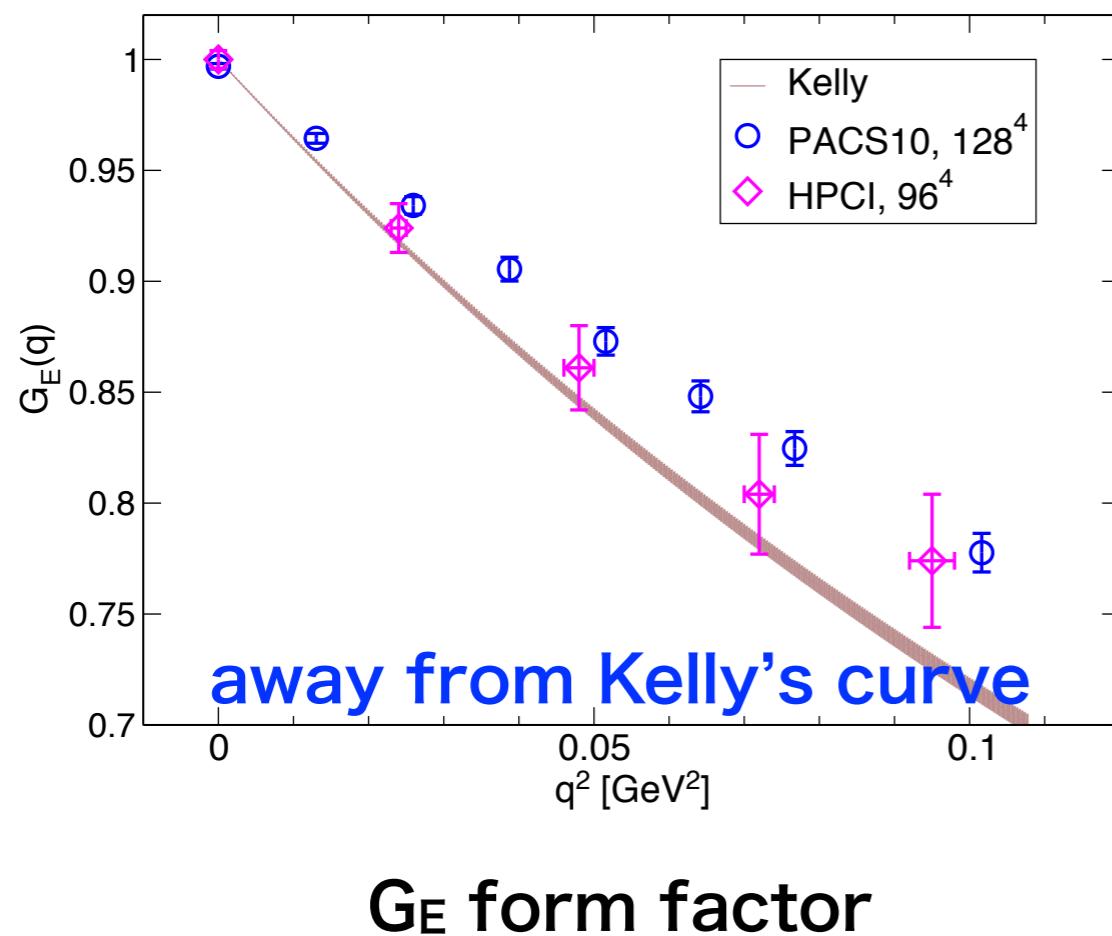


Statistical uncertainties are significantly reduced thanks to all-mode averaging

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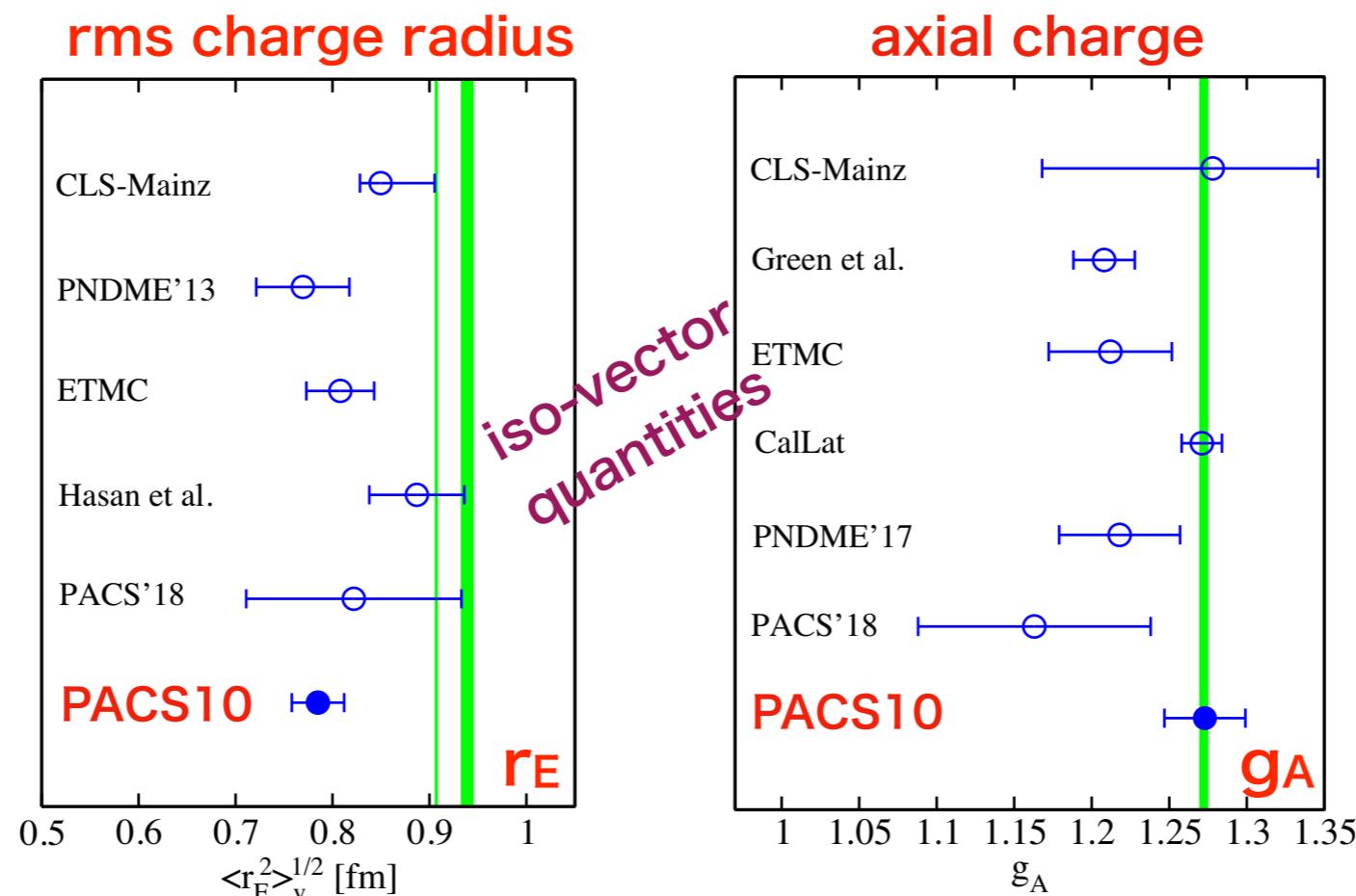
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Kelly's form factor parameterization,  
PRC70 (04) 068202



# Topics covered in this talk

- Our new PACS10 results at  $a=0.063$  fm
  - $(10.1 \text{ fm})^3$  spatial volume with  $m_\pi = 135$  MeV
  - lattice discretization uncertainties on  $r_E$  and  $g_A$

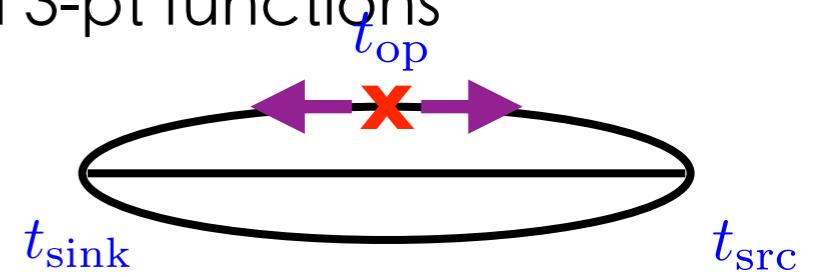


# Current status of our nucleon project

	Previous results PRD99 (2019) 014510	Small Vol results PRD99 (2021) 074514	Preliminary results (Lattice 2022)
Volume	$128^4$ (10.9 fm) $^4$	$64^4$ (5.5 fm) $^4$	$160^4$ (10.1 fm) $^4$
lattice spacing	0.085 fm	0.085 fm	0.063 fm
$m_\pi$	135 MeV (physical)	138 MeV	135 MeV (physical)
$t_{\text{sep}}= t_{\text{sink}}-t_{\text{src}} $ dependence	$t_{\text{sep}}/a=10, 12, 14, 16$	$t_{\text{sep}}/a=12, 14, 16$	$t_{\text{sep}}/a=13, 16, 19$
observables	flavor diagonal (w/o disconnected contrib.)	iso-vector	flavor diagonal (w/o disconnected contrib.)

# Measurement Details for $160^4$

- Statistics: 19 configs (every 10 trajectories)
  - All-mode averaging technique (E. Shintani et al., PRD91 (2015) 114511)
    - gain high statistical precision
  - $\mathcal{O}(100)$  measurements/config  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(10^3\text{--}10^4)$  measurements
- $L^3 \times T = 160^3 \times 160 \Rightarrow (\sim 10.1 \text{ fm})^3$  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  $= 2\pi/L \sim 122 \text{ MeV}$  thanks to  $L \sim 10.1 \text{ fm}$
  - allows to access FFs in the region of smaller  $Q^2$
- Exponentially smeared src/sink operators for 2-pt and 3-pt functions
- 3 different src-sink separations:  $t_{\text{sep}}/a = 13, 16, 19$ 
  - fixed-sink in sequential source method
- $Z_A$  and  $Z_V$  are not yet determined in SF scheme (in progress)



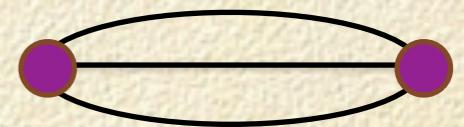
# Nucleon correlation functions

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- Compute **2-pt** and **3-pt** functions, using nucleon interpolator  $\mathcal{H}$  and operator insertion  $\mathcal{O}$

$$\langle \mathcal{H}(t) \mathcal{H}^\dagger(0) \rangle = \sum_i |\langle 0 | \mathcal{H}(0) | i \rangle|^2 e^{-M_i t}$$

$$\sum_i |i\rangle\langle i| = 1$$



$$\rightarrow |\langle 0 | \mathcal{H} | N \rangle|^2 e^{-M_N t}$$

$t_{\text{snk}}=t$        $t_{\text{src}}=0$

a sum of exponentials

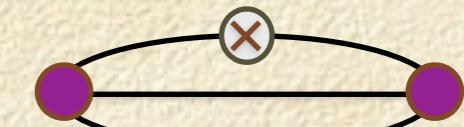
$$\langle \mathcal{H}(t) \mathcal{O}(t') \mathcal{H}^\dagger(0) \rangle = \sum_{i,j} e^{-M_i(t-t')} \langle 0 | \mathcal{H} | i \rangle \langle i | \mathcal{O} | j \rangle \langle j | \mathcal{H}^\dagger | 0 \rangle e^{-M_j t'}$$

$$\rightarrow |\langle 0 | \mathcal{H} | N \rangle|^2 \langle N | \mathcal{O} | N \rangle e^{-M_N t}$$

$t_{\text{op}}=t'$

$t - t' \gg 0$   
and  
 $t' \gg 0$

no **t'-dependence**

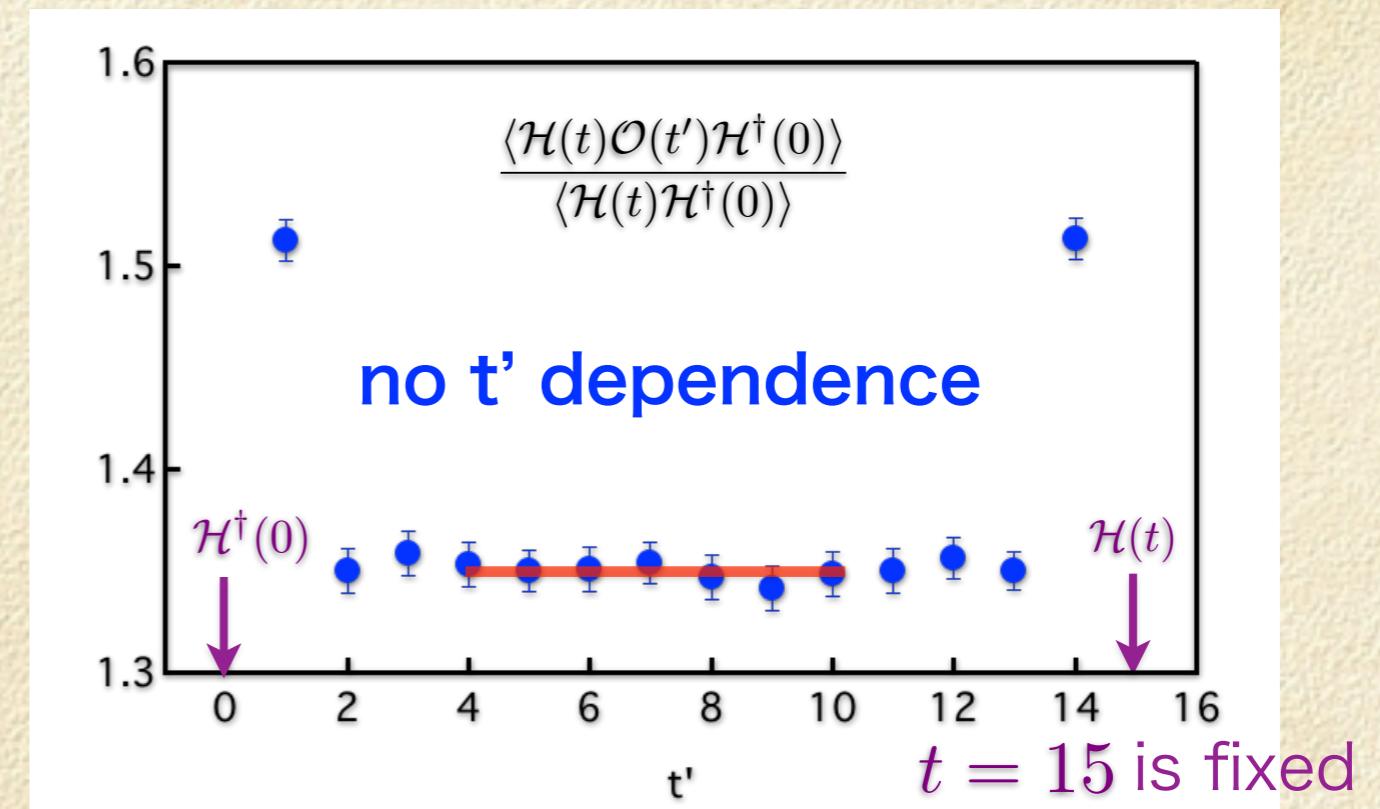
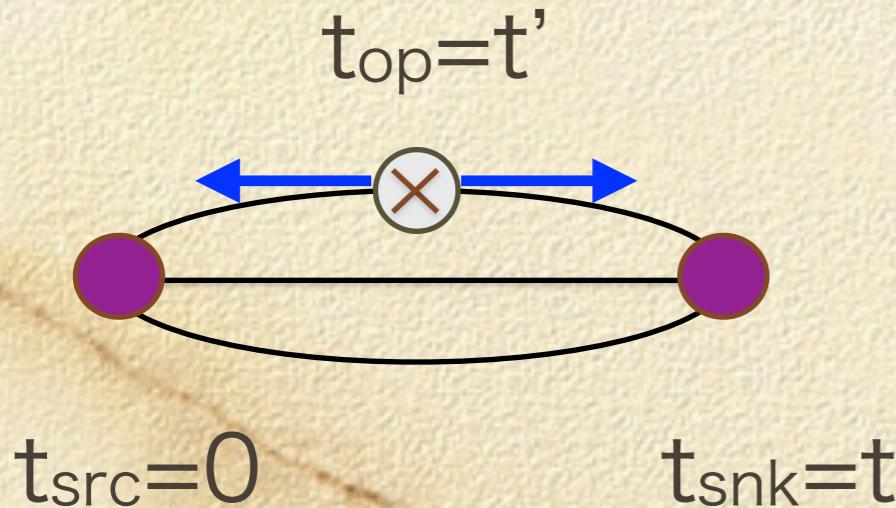


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# Ratio of 2-pt and 3-pt functions

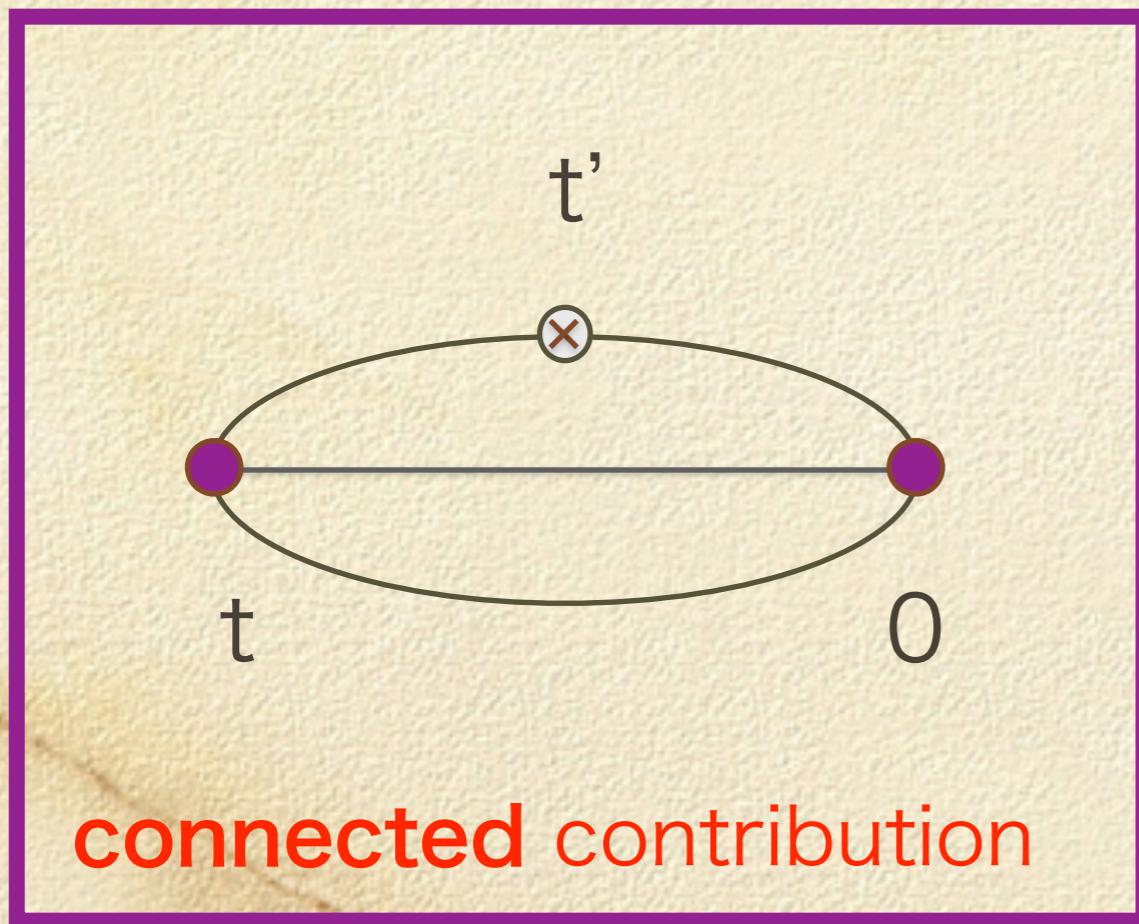
- ✓ matrix elements (form factors) can be determined from ratios of the 3-pt and 2-pt functions

$$\frac{\langle \mathcal{H}(t)\mathcal{O}(t')\mathcal{H}^\dagger(0) \rangle}{\langle \mathcal{H}(t)\mathcal{H}^\dagger(0) \rangle} \rightarrow \langle N|\mathcal{O}|N \rangle$$



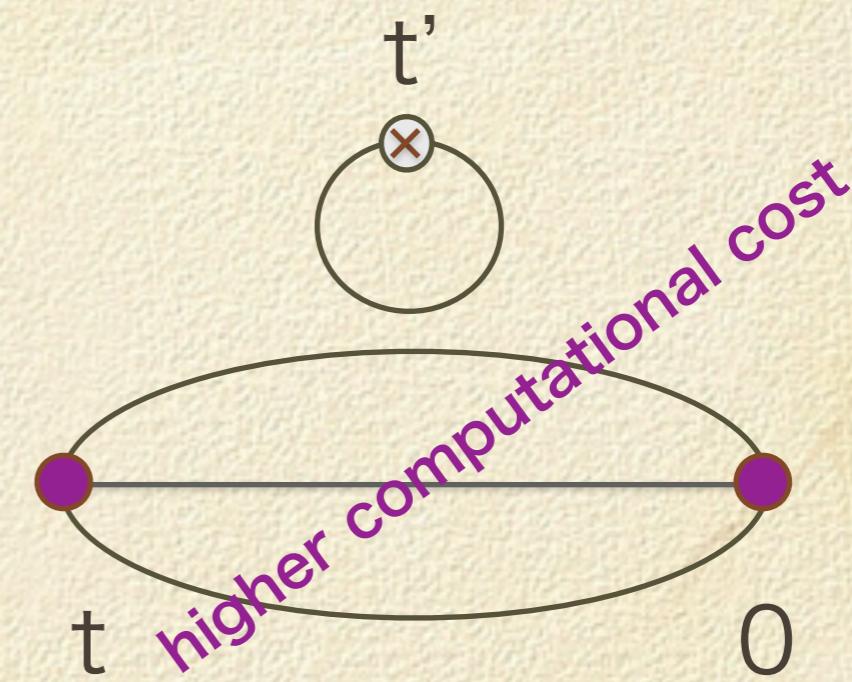
# Connected/disconnected diagrams

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



**connected contribution**

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



**disconnected contribution**

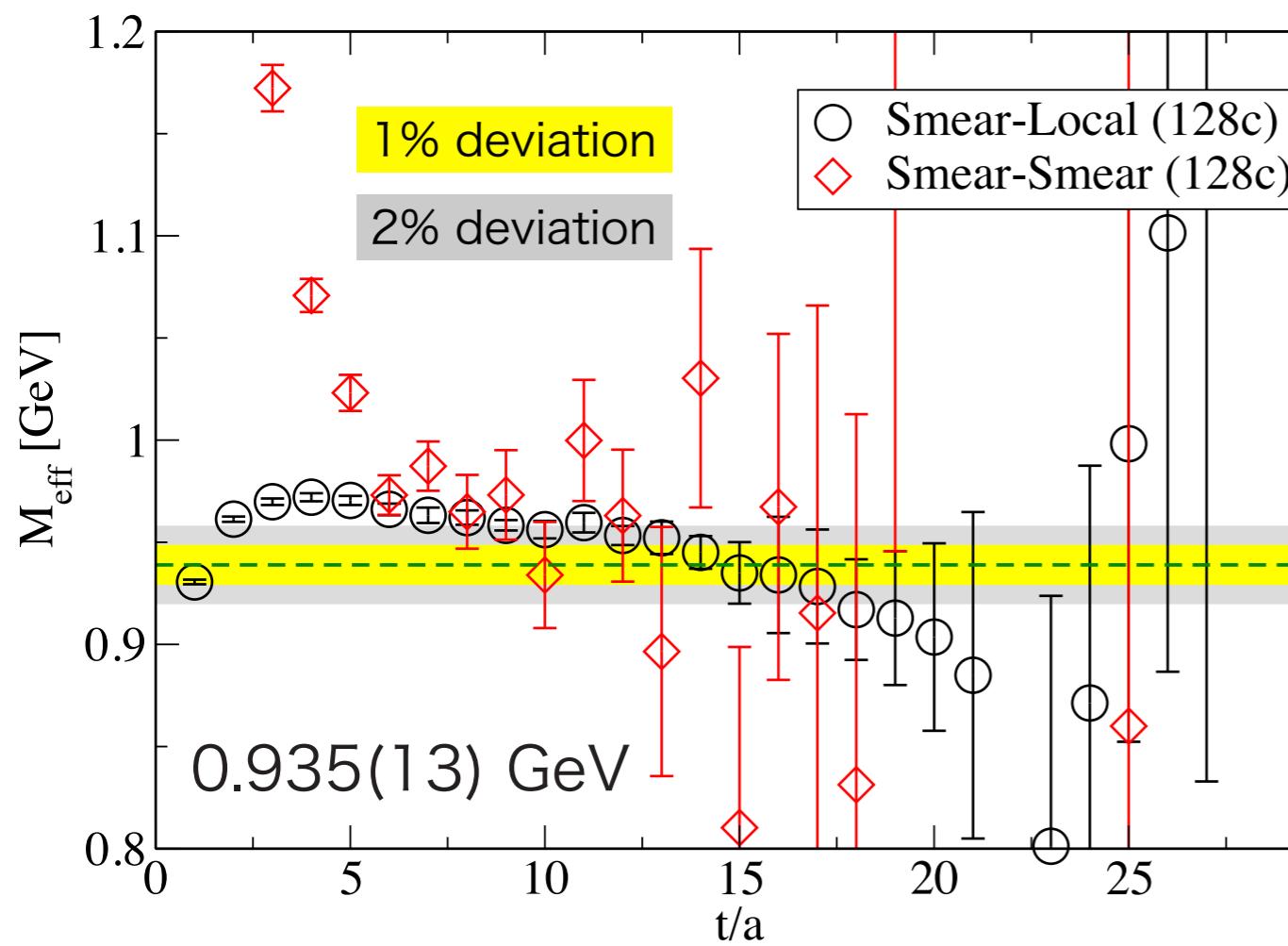
- ✓ **flavor diagonal** quantities
- ✓ electro-magnetic matrix elements

Nucleon mass

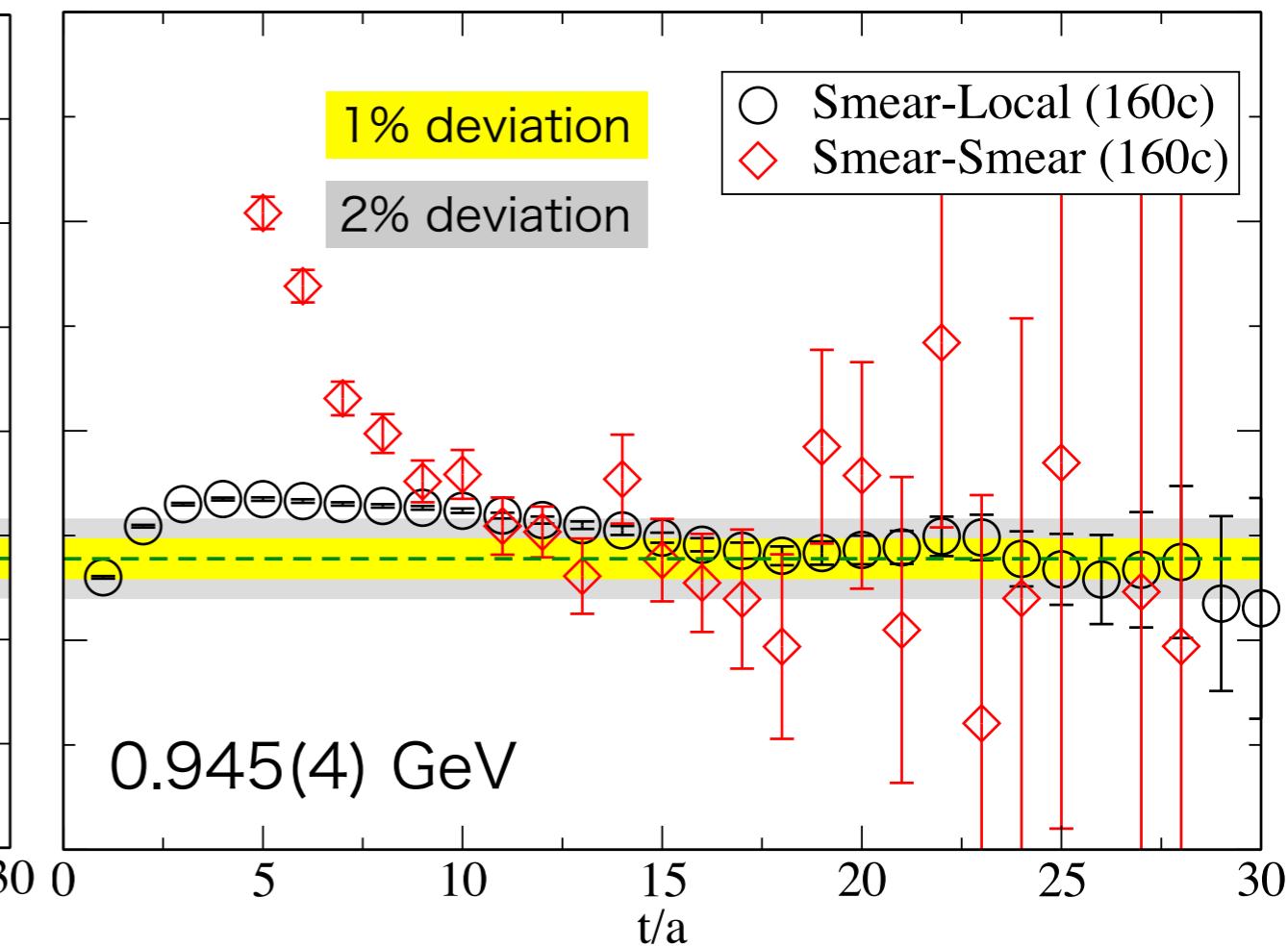
$$M_N$$

# Effective mass plot for $M_N$

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



$L^4=128^4$ ,  $a=0.085$  fm



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

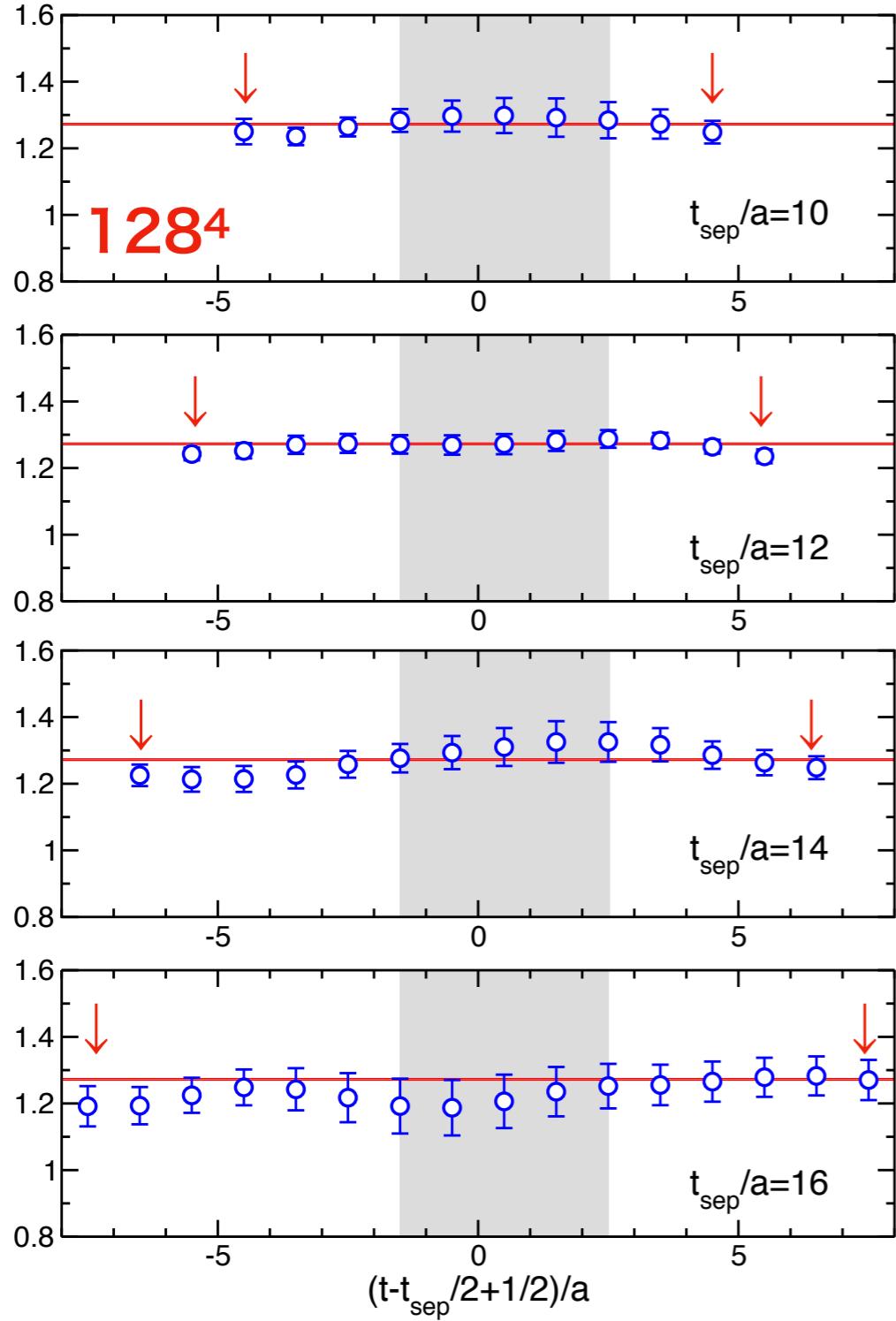
Achieving a percent level precision on the nucleon mass

# Axial charge

$g_A$

# Ratio for $F_A(0)=g_A$

$$\mathcal{O} = \bar{u}\gamma_5\gamma_3 u - \bar{d}\gamma_5\gamma_3 d$$

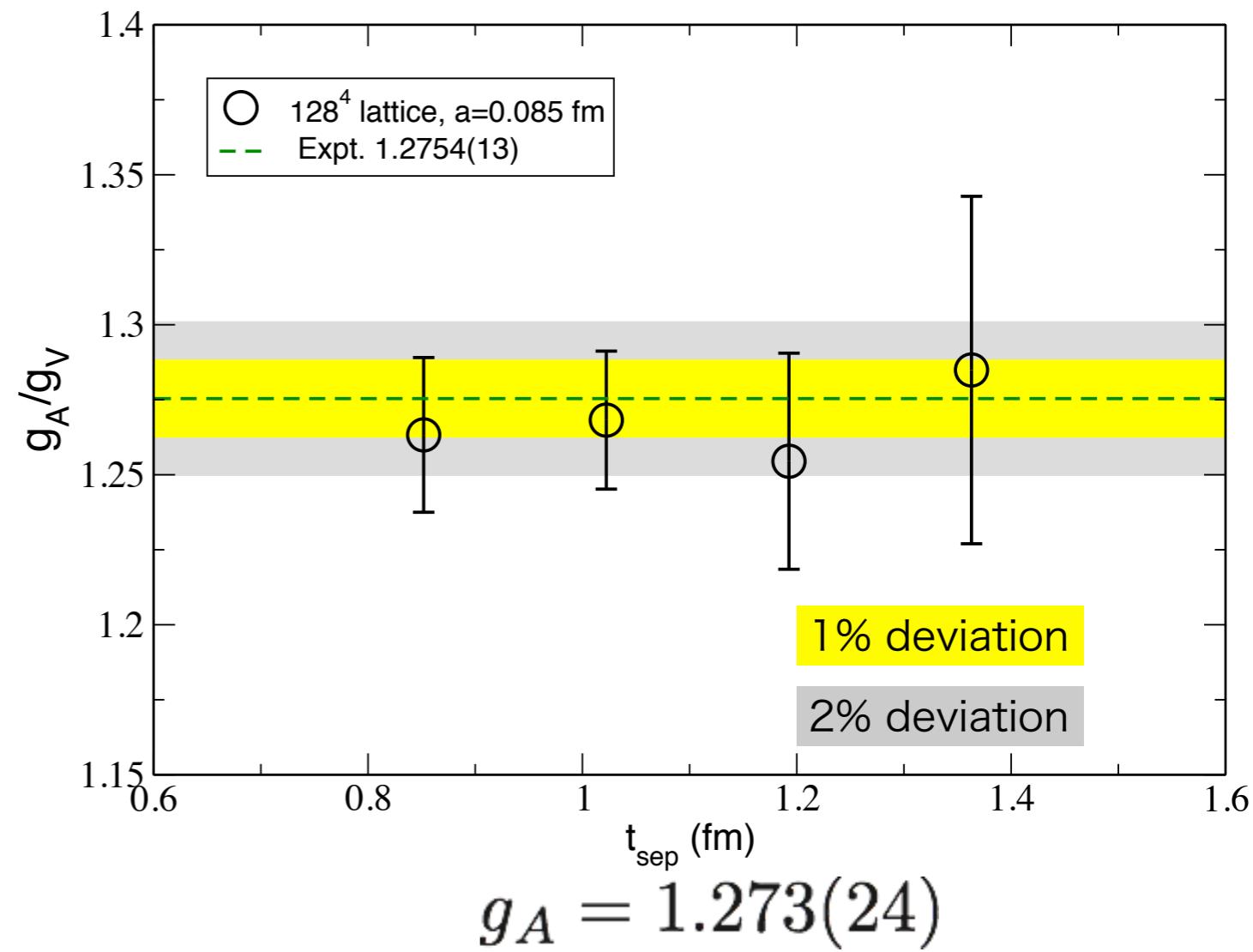


Good plateau for  $t_{\text{sep}}=10, 12, 14, 16$

E. Shintani et al. (PACS collaboration)  
PRD99 (2019) 014510

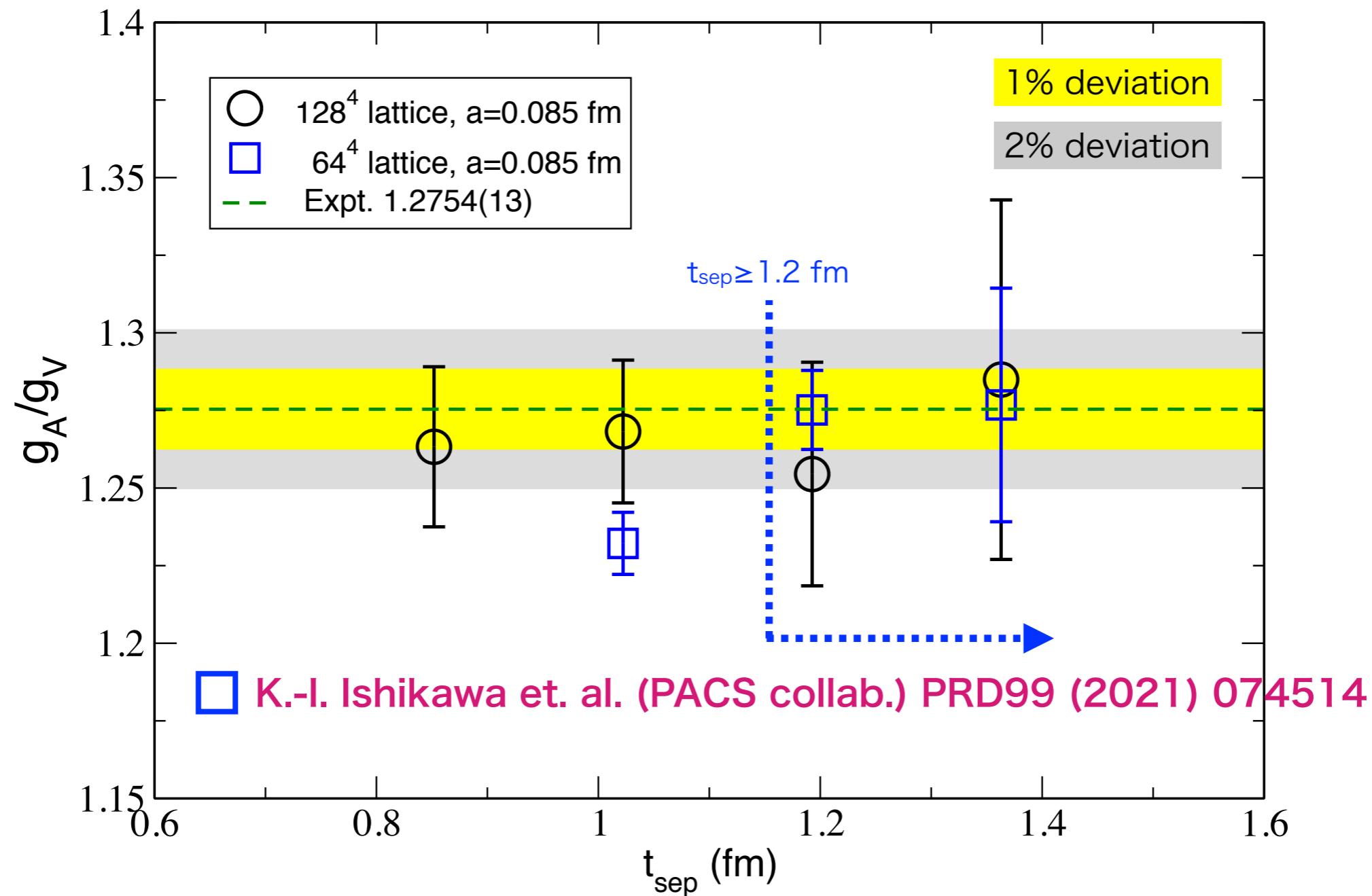
$$\langle p' | A^\mu(q) | p \rangle$$

$$= \bar{u}(p') [\gamma^\mu \gamma_5 F_P(q^2) + i q^\mu \gamma_5 F_P(q^2)] u(p)$$



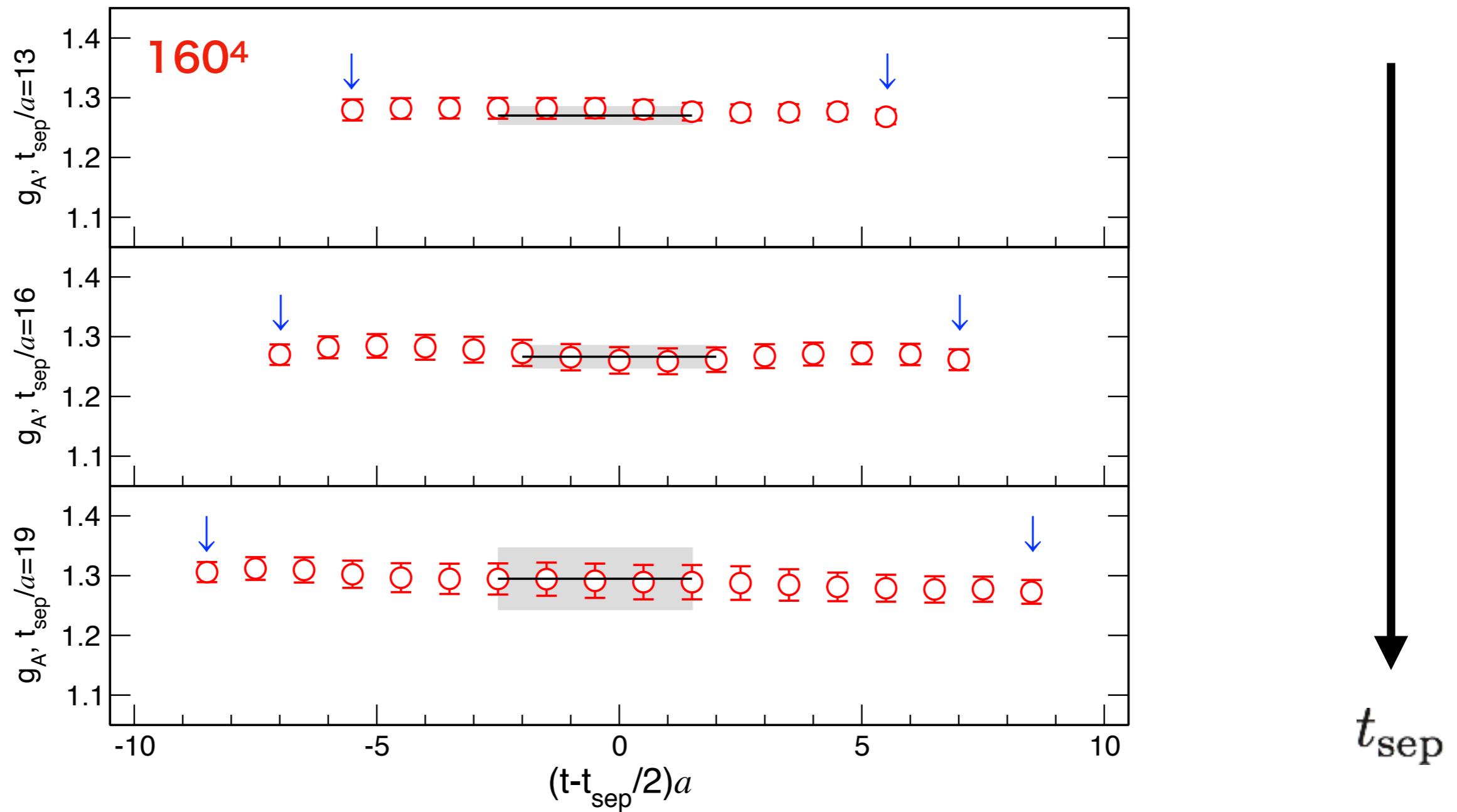
MC statistical uncertainty is less than 2%

# A percent-level determination of $g_A$



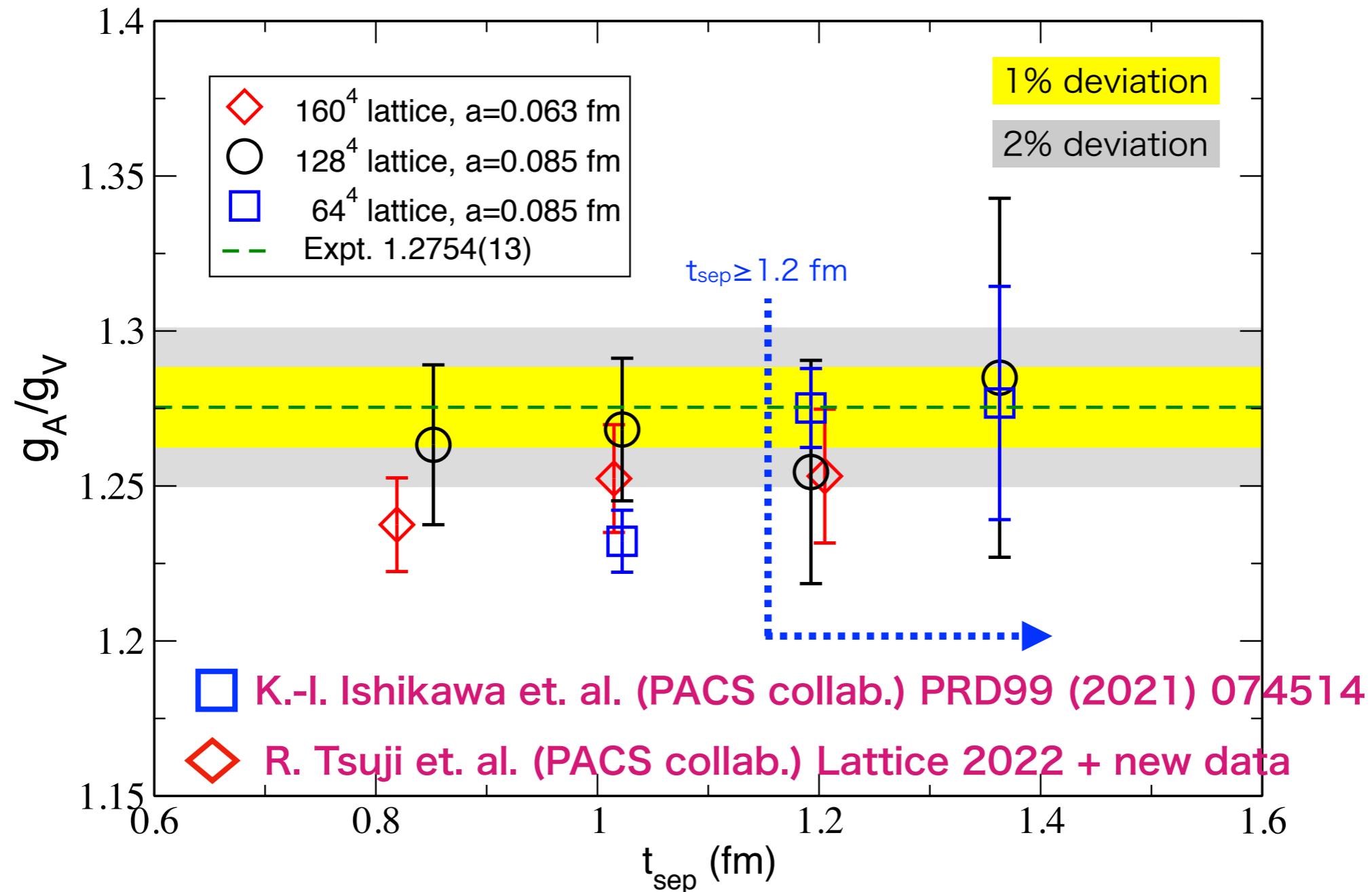
Effect of excited state contamination is negligible for  $t_{sep} \geq 1.2$  fm.  
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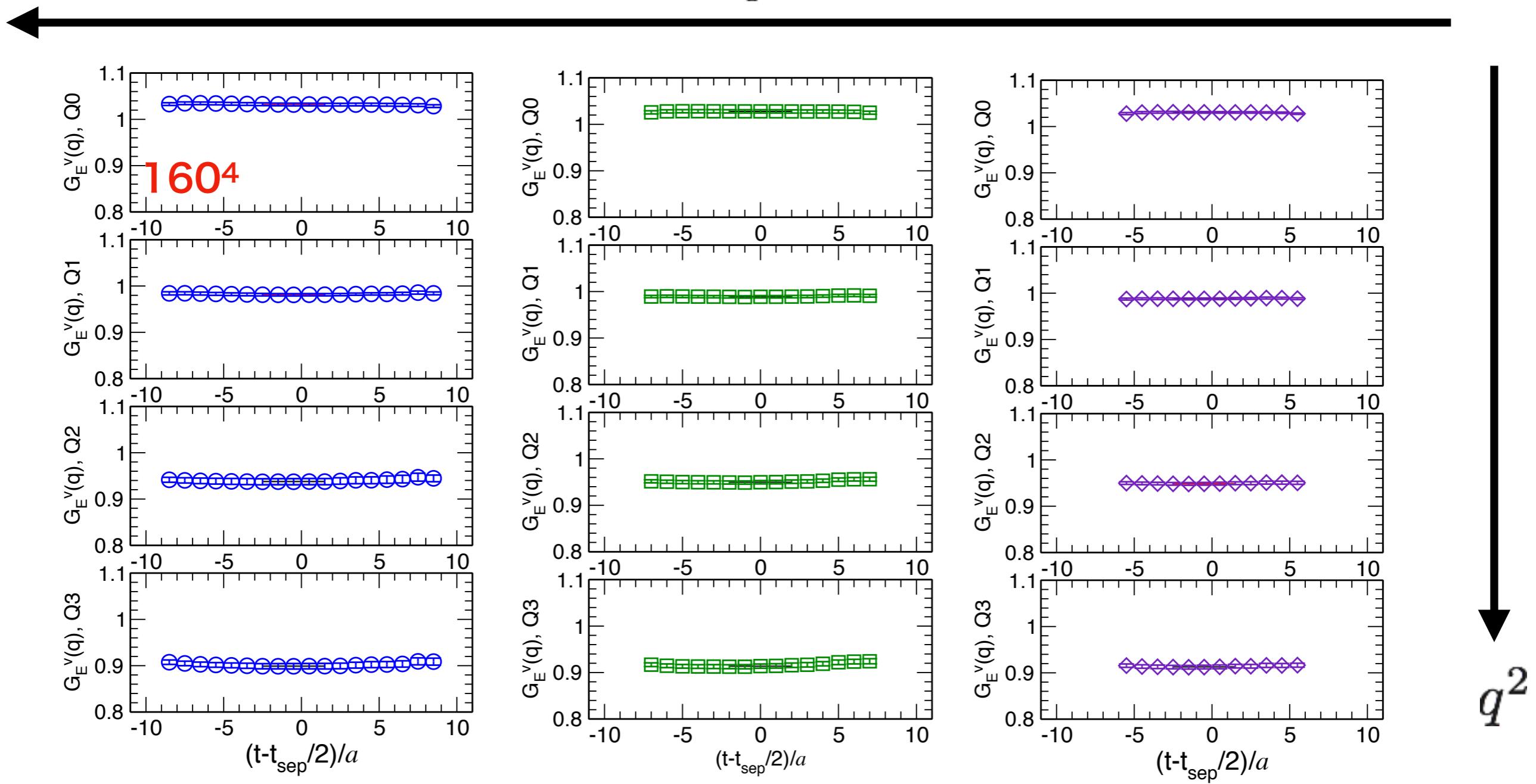
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Discretization error is less than 1%.

# Electric form factor

$G_E$

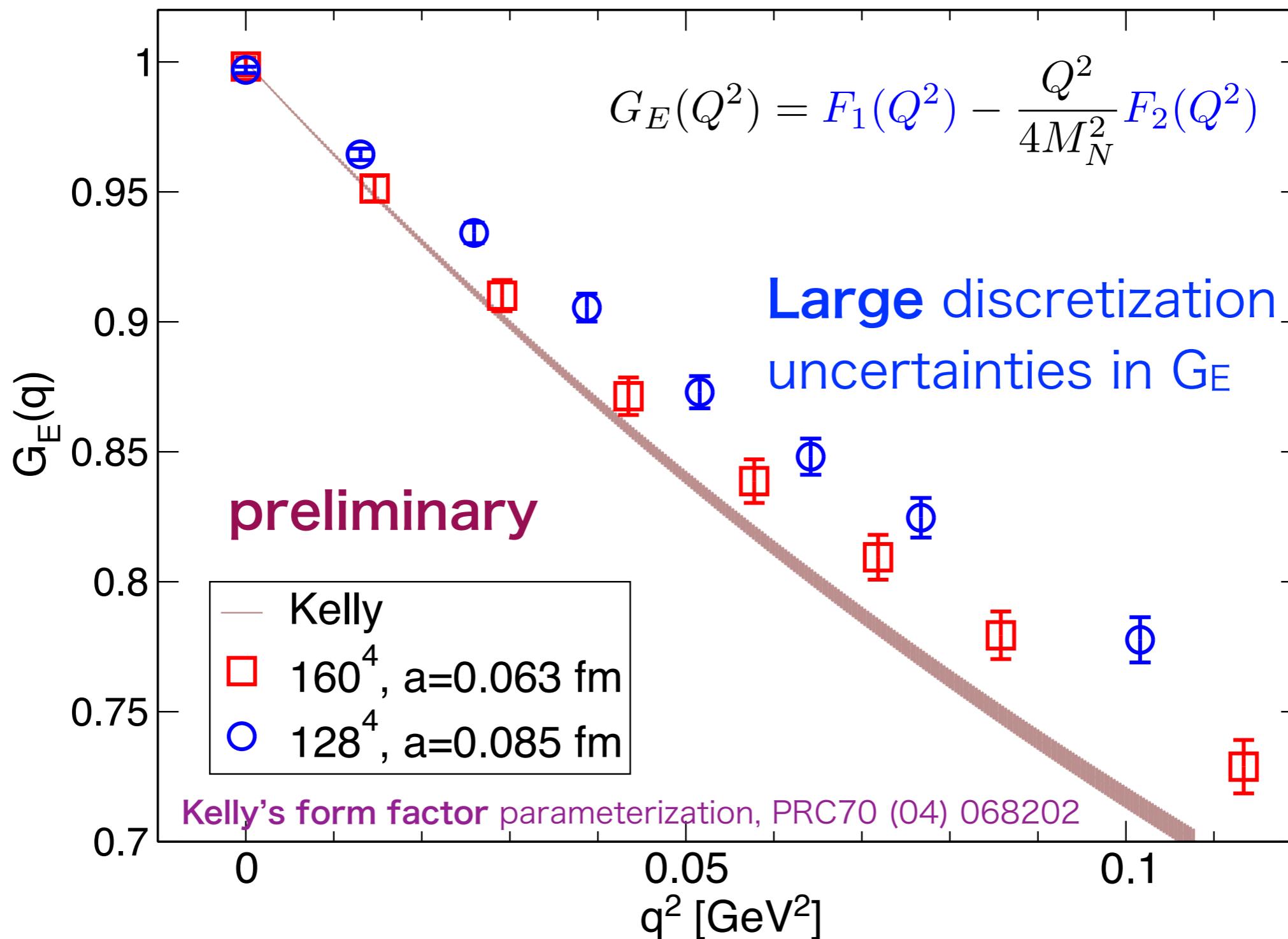
# Ratio for iso-vector $G_E(q^2)$

$t_{\text{sep}}$



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# Iso-vector electric form factor $G_E$

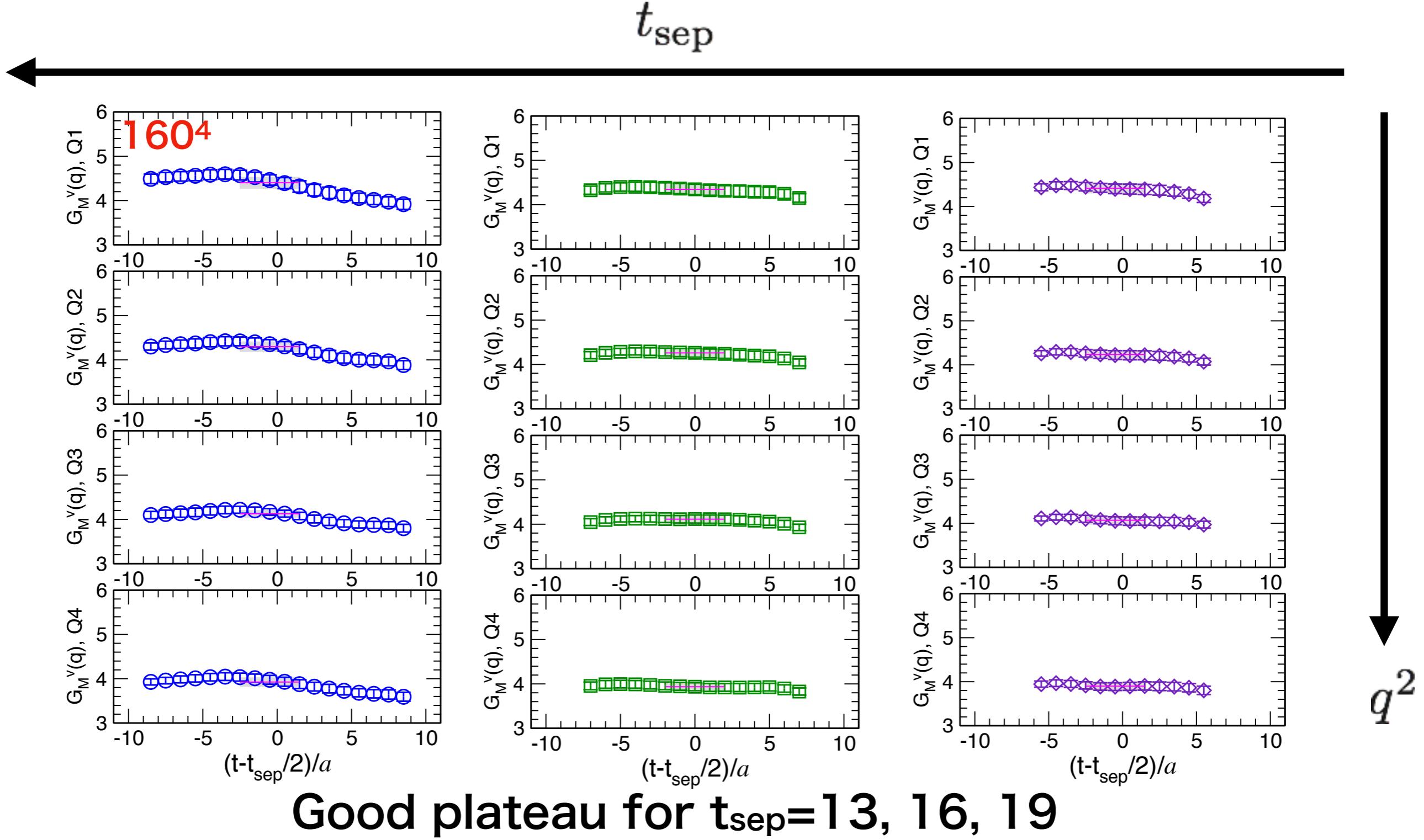


The results obtained with the fine lattice spacing  
( $a \approx 0.06$  fm) approaches to the Kelly's curve

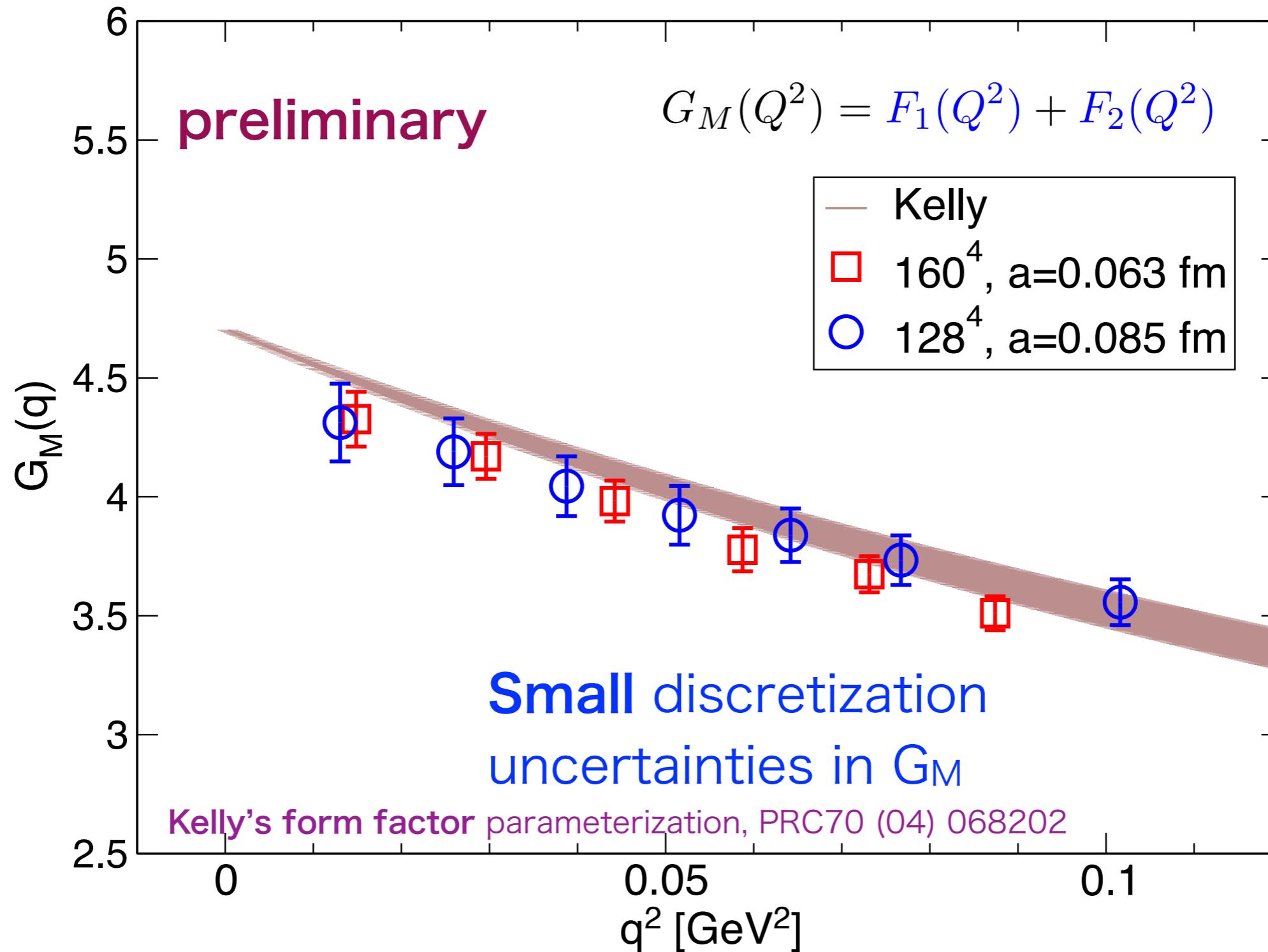
# Magnetic form factor

$G_M$

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



# Iso-vector magnetic form factor $G_M$



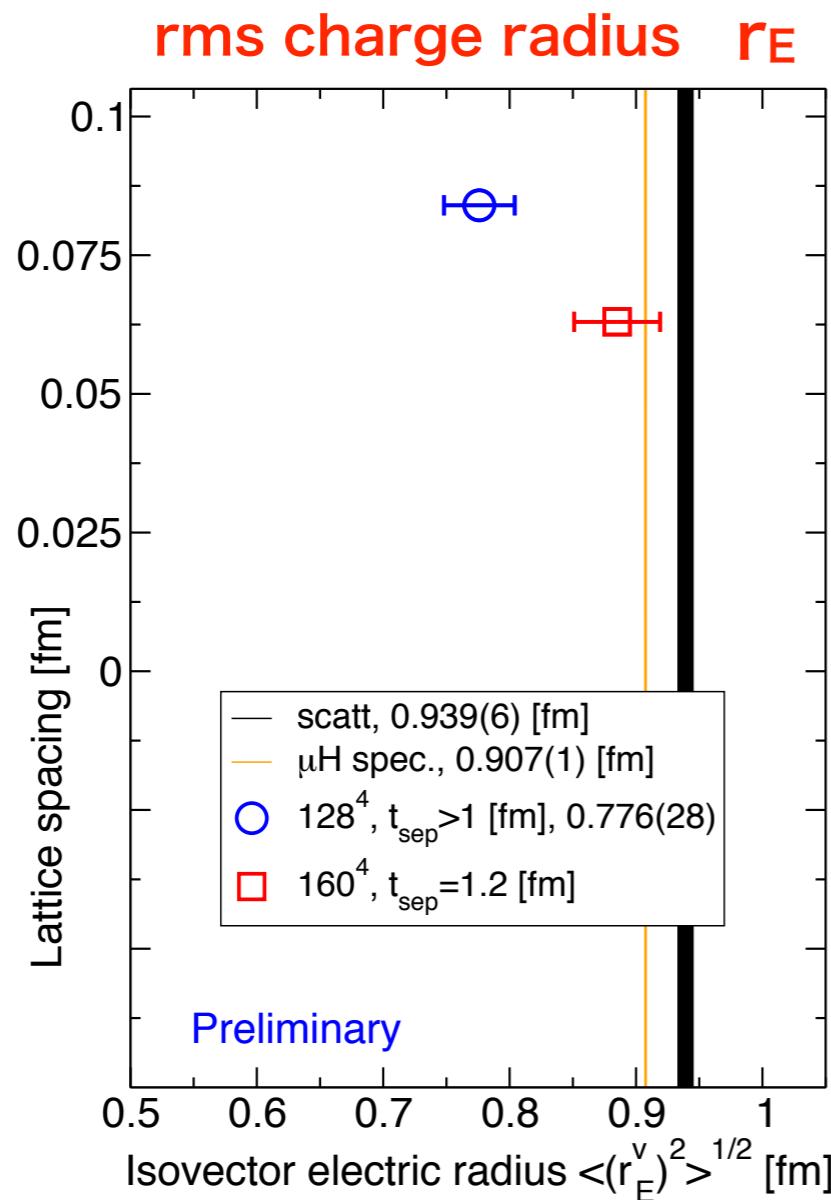
The results obtained with the fine lattice spacing ( $a \approx 0.06 \text{ fm}$ ) remain barely consistent with the Kelly's curve.

# Summary

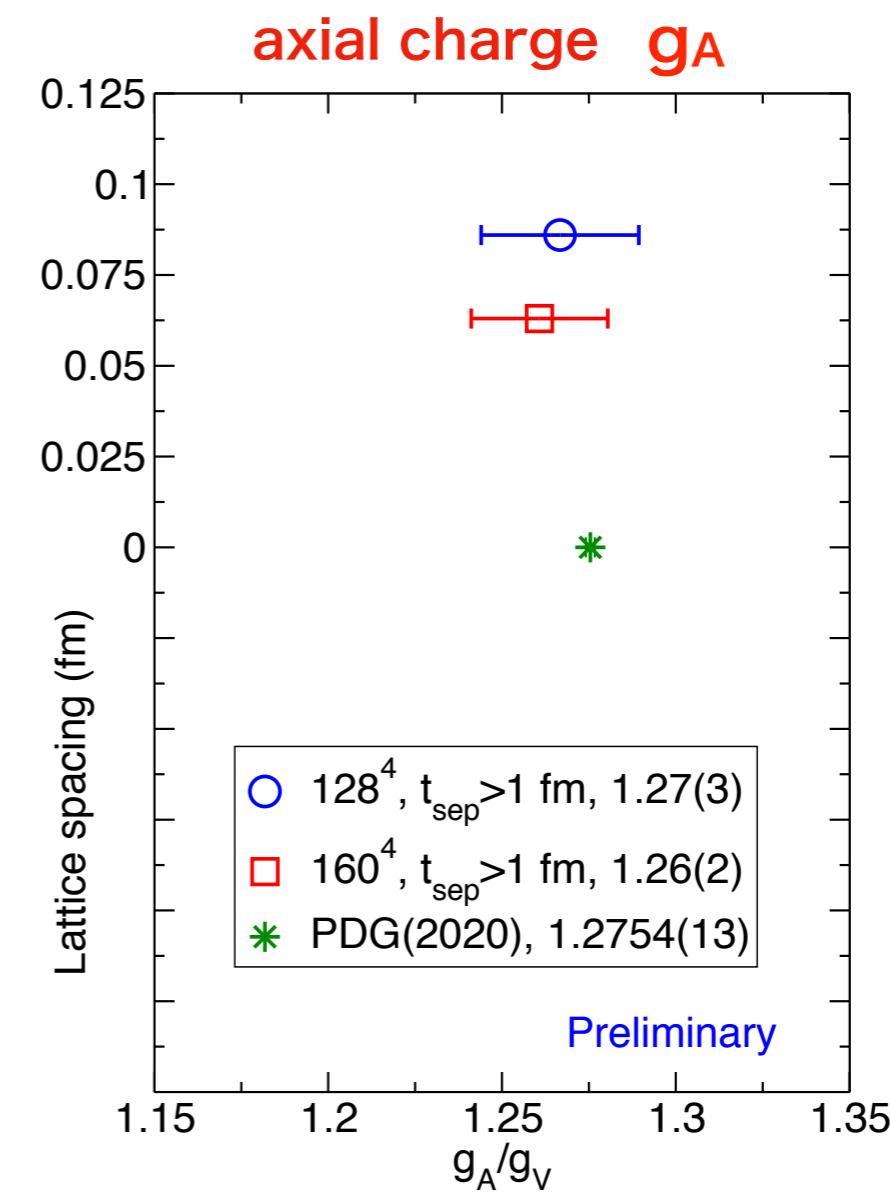
- We have studied nucleon form factors (vector/axial-vector) calculated in 2+1 flavor QCD **at the physical point** on **(10 fm)<sup>4</sup>** lattice at **two lattice spacings ( $a=0.085$  and  $0.063$  fm)**
  - ✓ Large spatial volume allows investigation in the **small momentum transfer region**,  $q^2 < (2 m_\pi)^2$
  - ✓ **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**
    - excited-state contributions are negligible for  $t_{\text{sep}} \geq 1.2$  fm

# Summary (Cont.)

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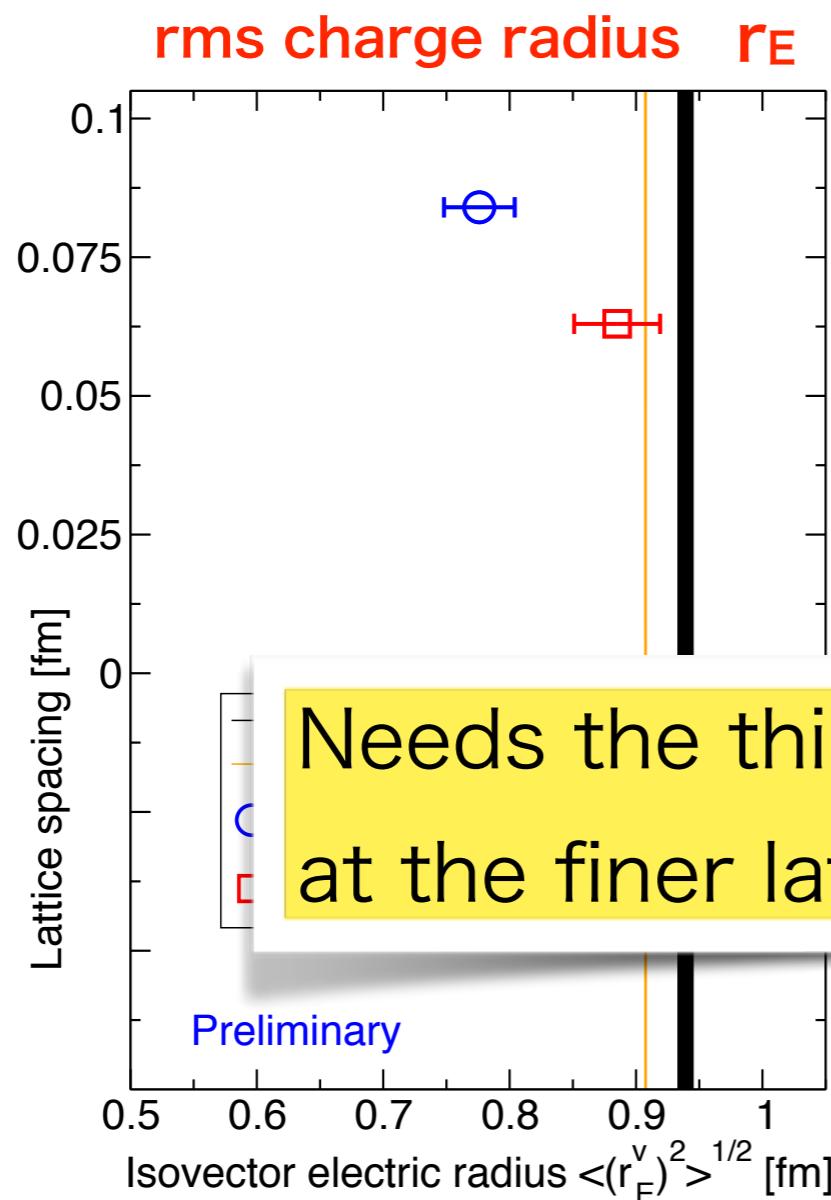
Significantly large (~10%)



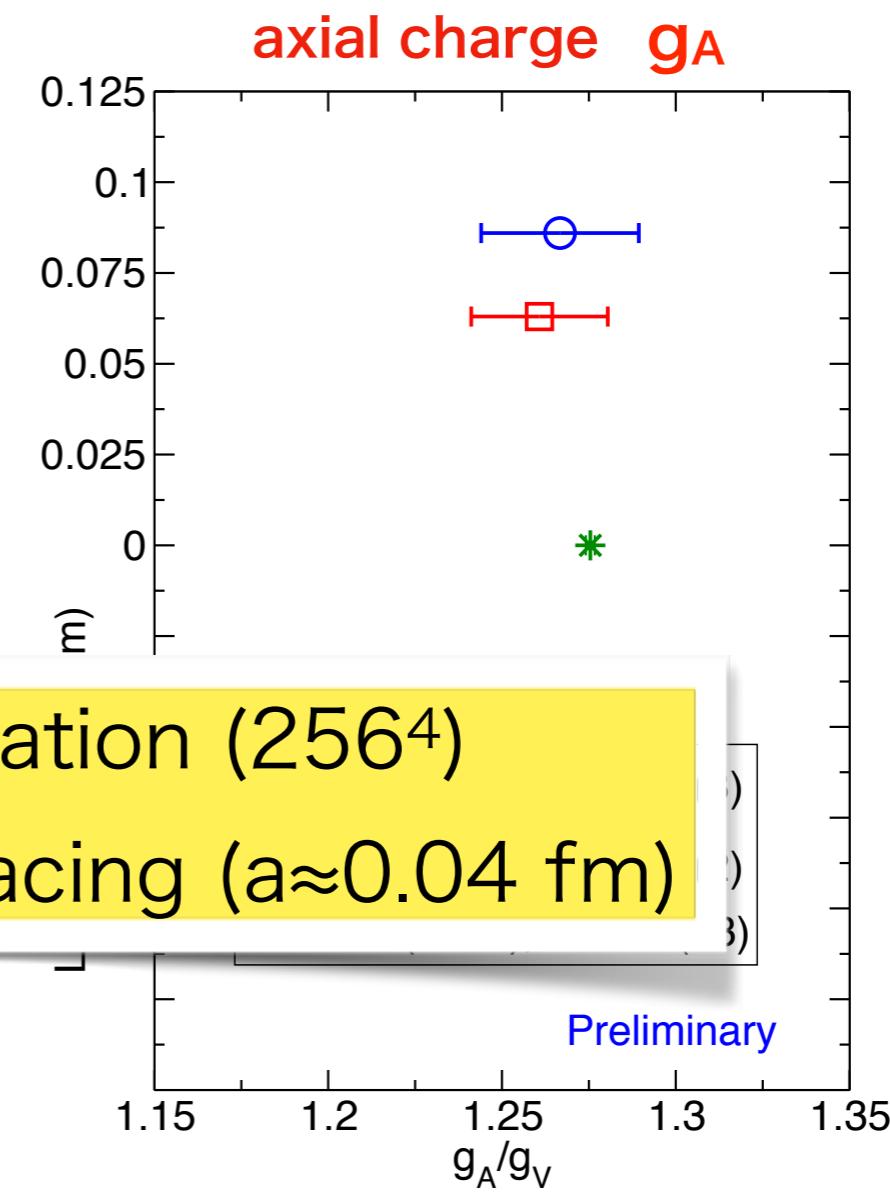
Negligibly small (< 1%)

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

Back up slides

# Why is the spatial size so large?

There are three reasons to pay special attention to our **large spatial volume of  $(10 \text{ fm})^3$**  at the physical point.

- To avoid relatively large finite size effect on nucleon observables

$$\checkmark L - 2R \gg 1/m_\pi \quad (R \sim 0.85 \text{ fm}) \rightarrow L > 3 \text{ fm}$$

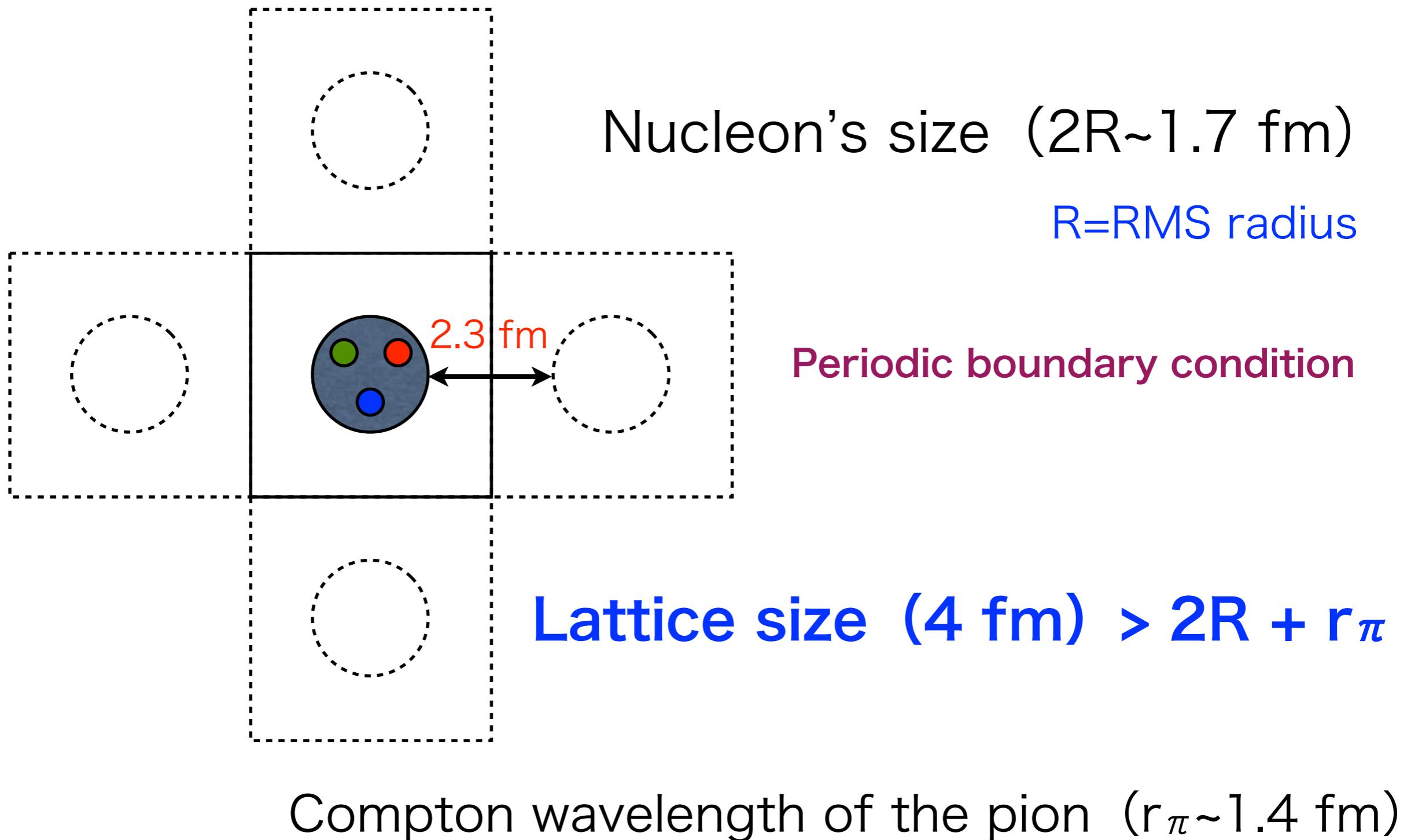
- The spatial charge distribution falls exponentially

$$\checkmark L > 2r_{\text{cut}} = 6.4 R \quad (r_{\text{cut}} = 3.2 R) \rightarrow L > 6 \text{ fm}$$

- To access the small momentum transfer region

$$\checkmark |\mathbf{q}|_{\min} = 2\pi / L, q_{\min} < 2m_\pi \rightarrow L > 4.5 \text{ fm}$$

# How Large Spatial Size is Necessary?

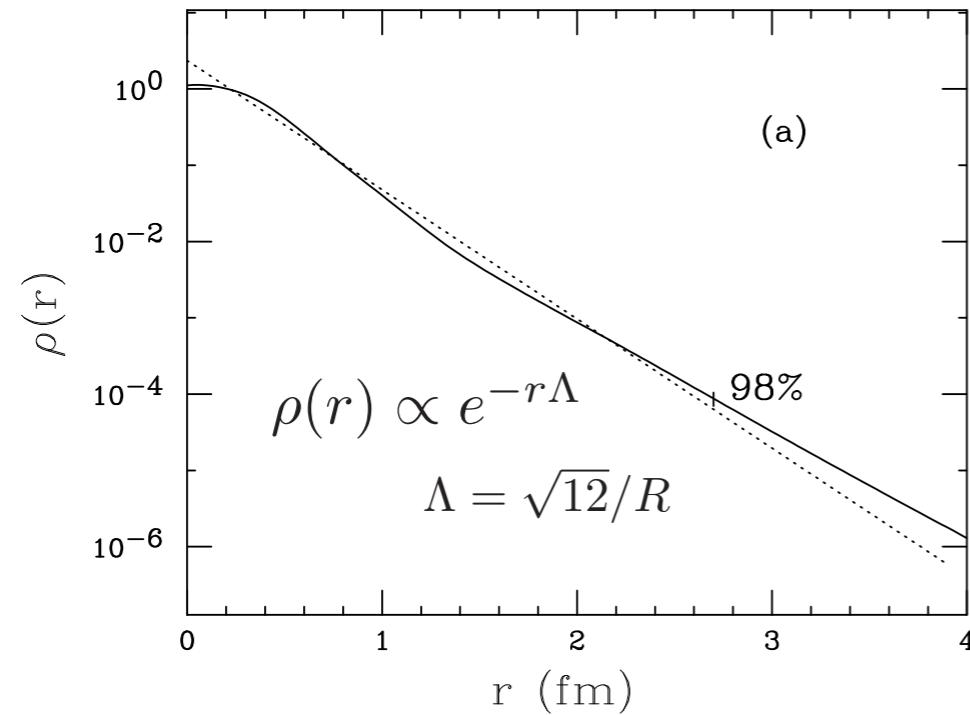


# How Large Spatial Size is Necessary?

Charge RMS radius

$$R^2 \equiv 4\pi \int_0^\infty \rho(r) r^4 dr$$

$$R(r_{\text{cut}})/R = \left[ \int_0^{r_{\text{cut}}} \rho(r) r^4 dr \Bigg/ \int_0^\infty \rho(r) r^4 dr \right]^{1/2}$$



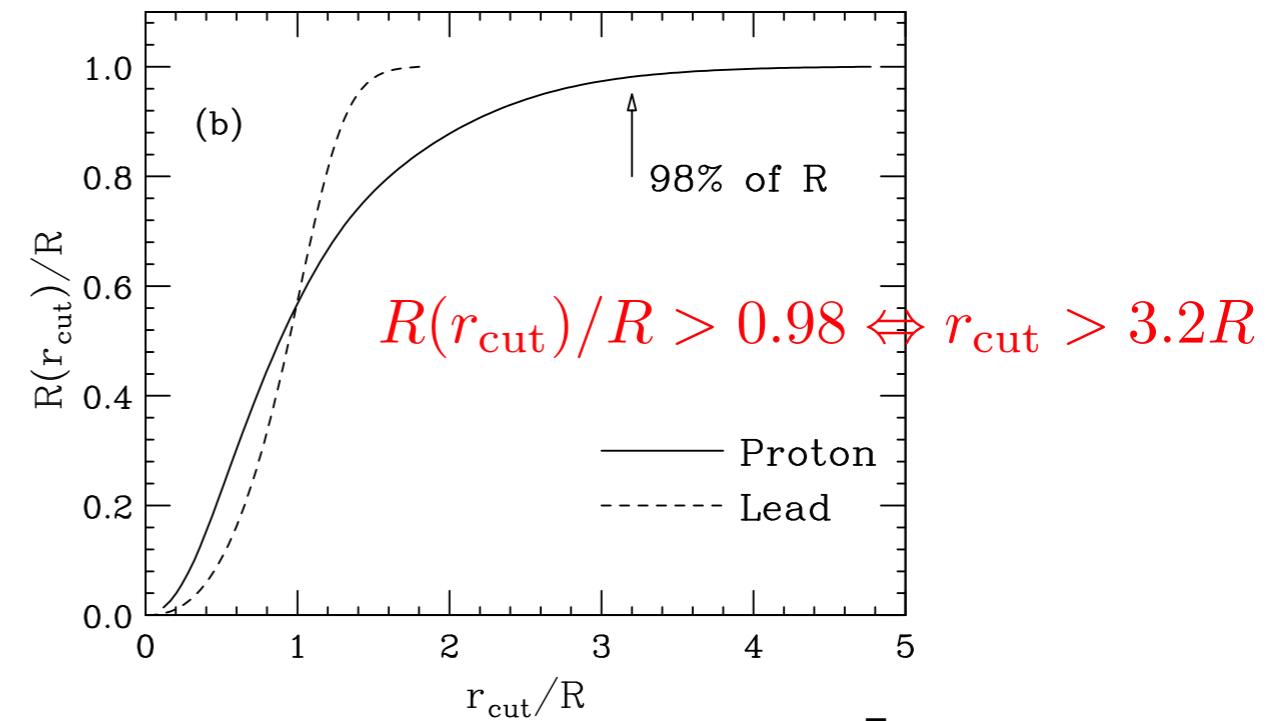
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exp-form

$$\rho(r) \propto e^{-r\Lambda} \quad \xleftrightarrow{3d\text{-FT}}$$

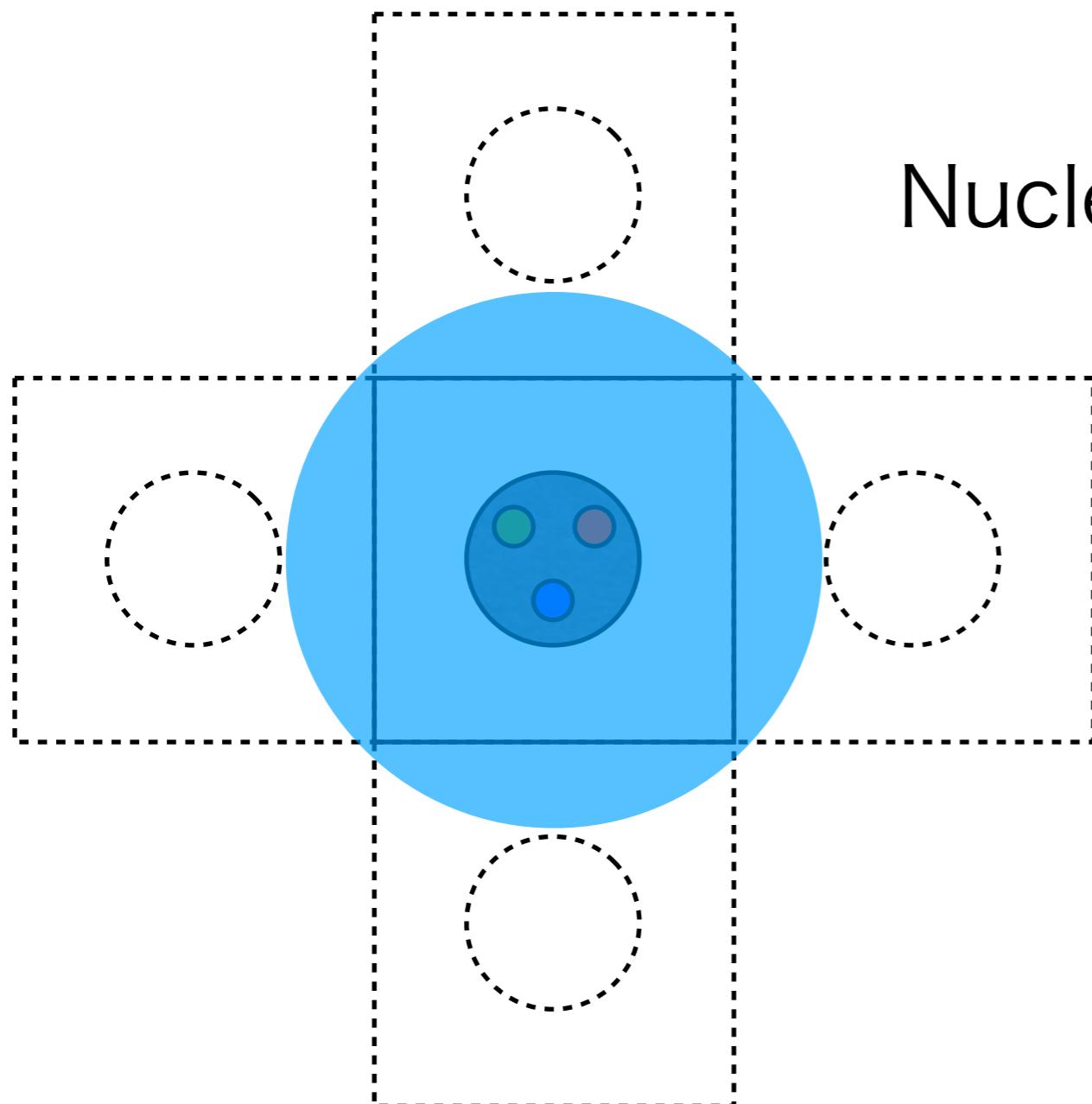
dipole-form

$$G_E(q^2) \propto \frac{1}{(q^2 + \Lambda^2)^2}$$



Integration up to  $r_{\text{cut}}=2.7$  fm  $\Rightarrow$  Only 98% of charge RMS radius

# How Large Spatial Size is Necessary?



Nucleon's size ( $2R \sim 1.7$  fm)

$R = \text{RMS radius}$

Periodic boundary condition

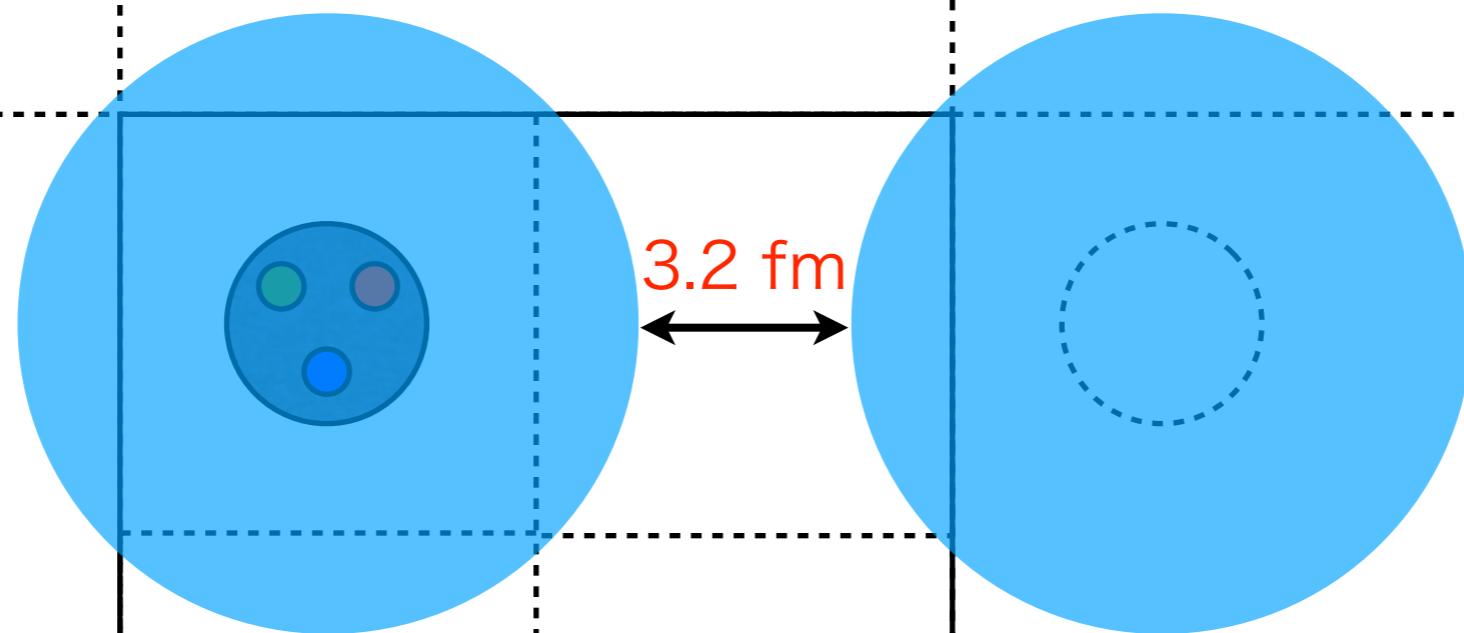
Lattice size (4 fm)

$< 2r_{\text{cut}} = 6.4R = 5.4$  fm

4 fm is not large enough for nucleon physics

# How Large Spatial Size is Necessary?

Nucleon's size ( $2R \sim 1.8$  fm)



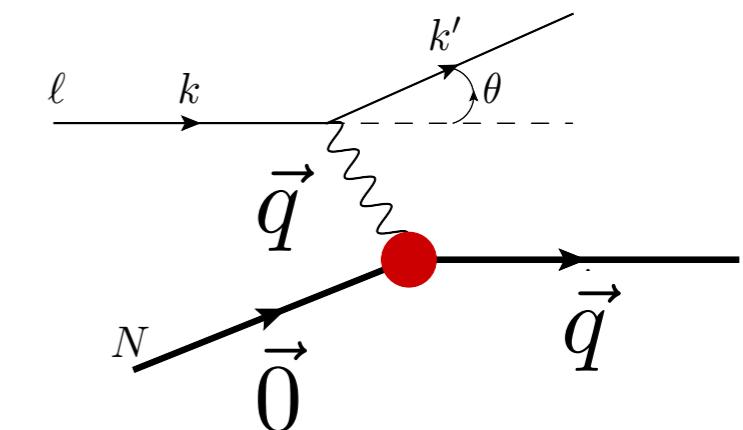
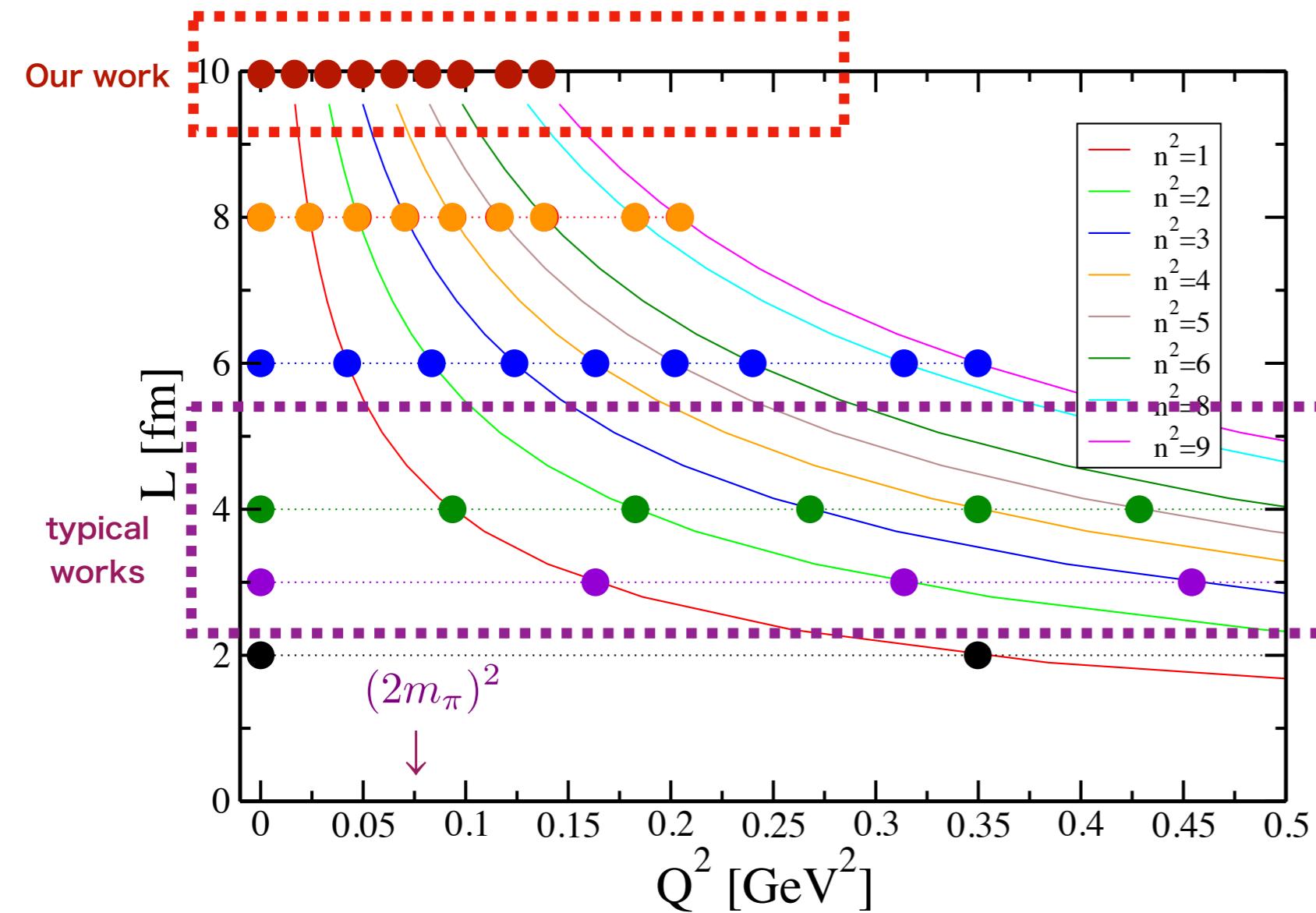
Lattice size (10 fm)

$$> 2r_{\text{cut}} + r_{\pi} = 6.8 \text{ fm}$$

Compton wavelength of the pion ( $r_{\pi} \sim 1.4$  fm)

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

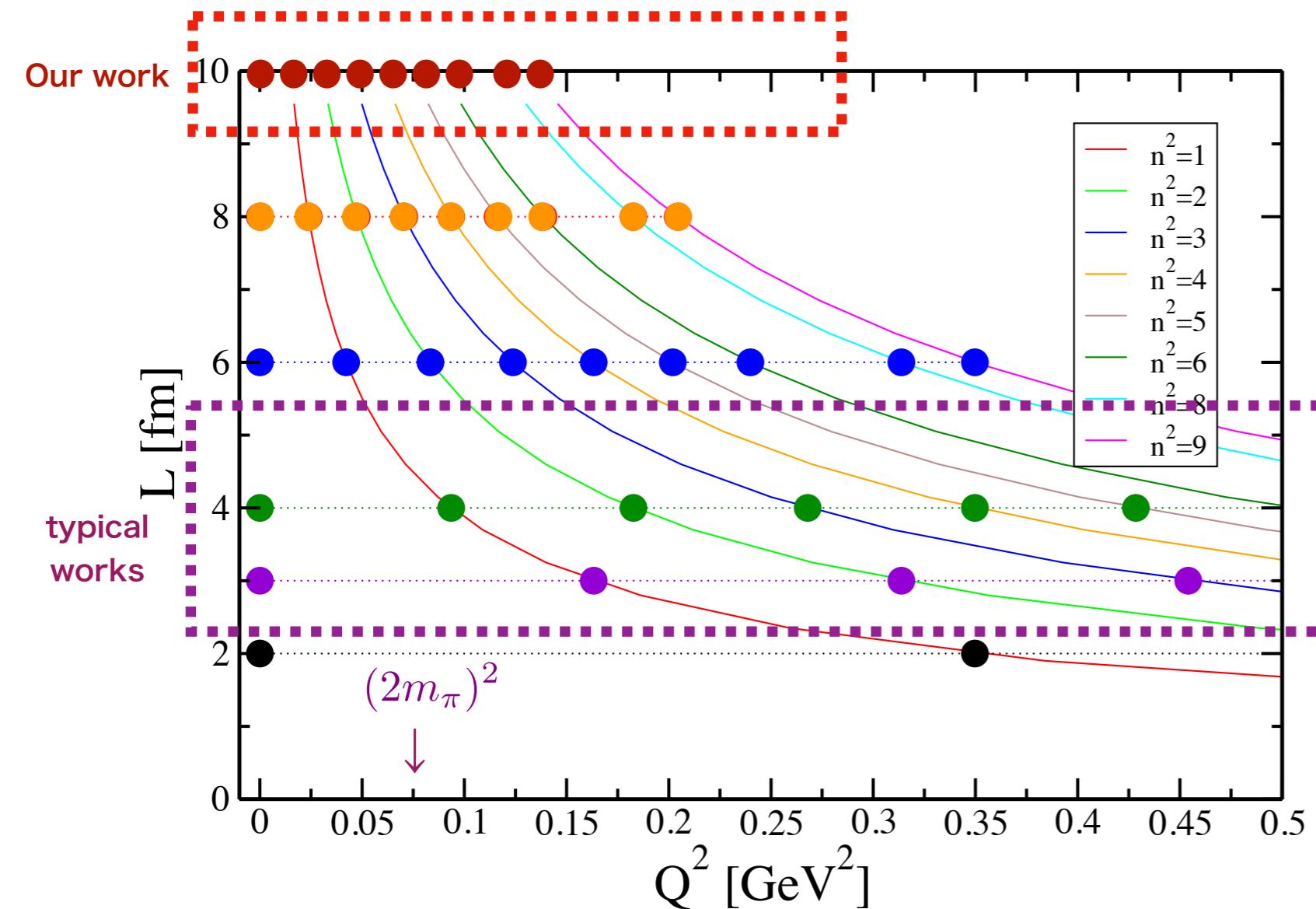
$$E(\vec{q}) = \sqrt{M_N^2 + \vec{q}^2}$$

$$\vec{q}^2 = \left( \frac{2\pi}{L} \right)^2 \vec{n}^2$$

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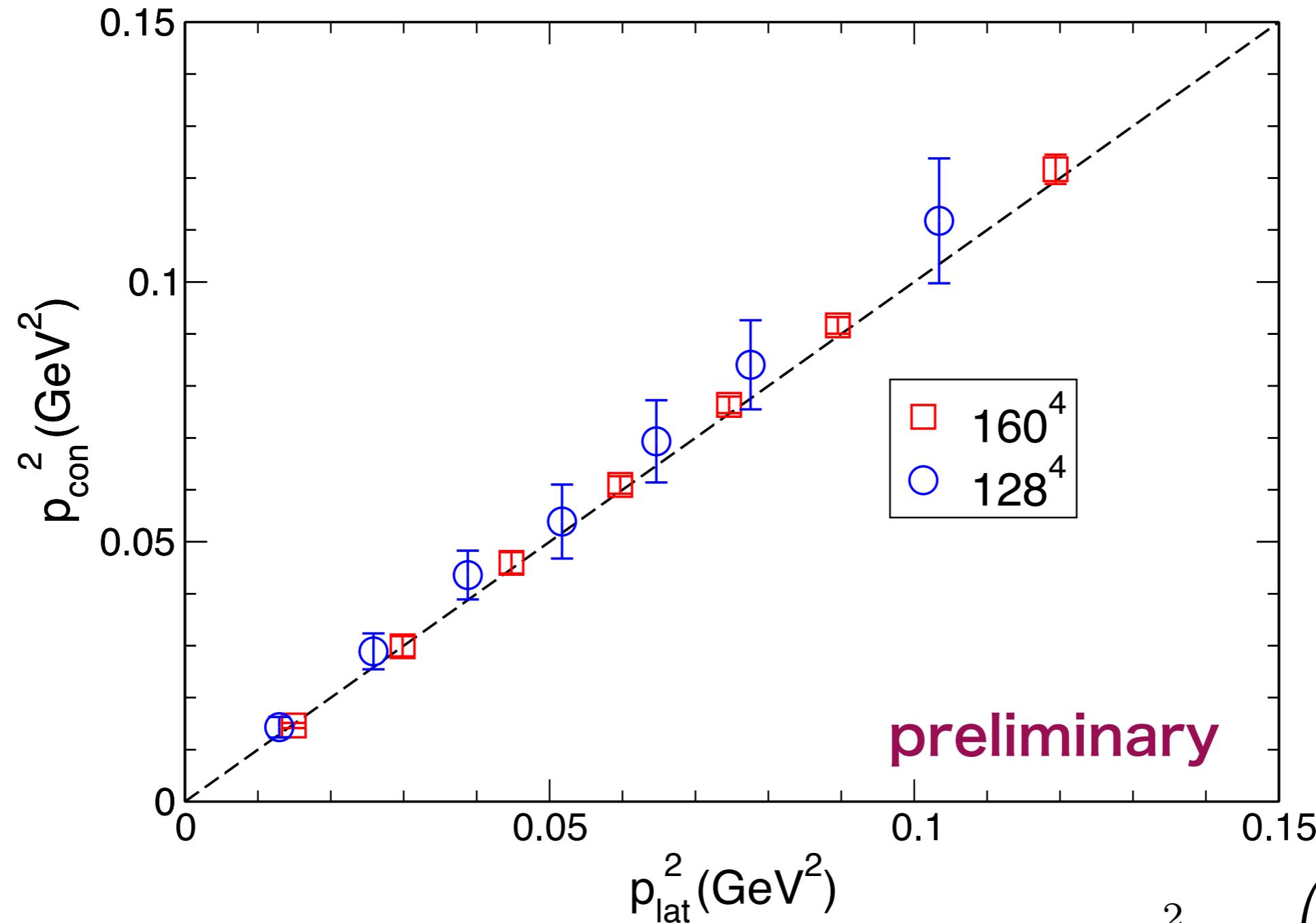
Root-Mean-Square radius

$$R = \sqrt{\langle r_E^2 \rangle} = r_E$$

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# Dispersion relation

$$p_{\text{con}}^2 = E_N^2 - M_N^2$$

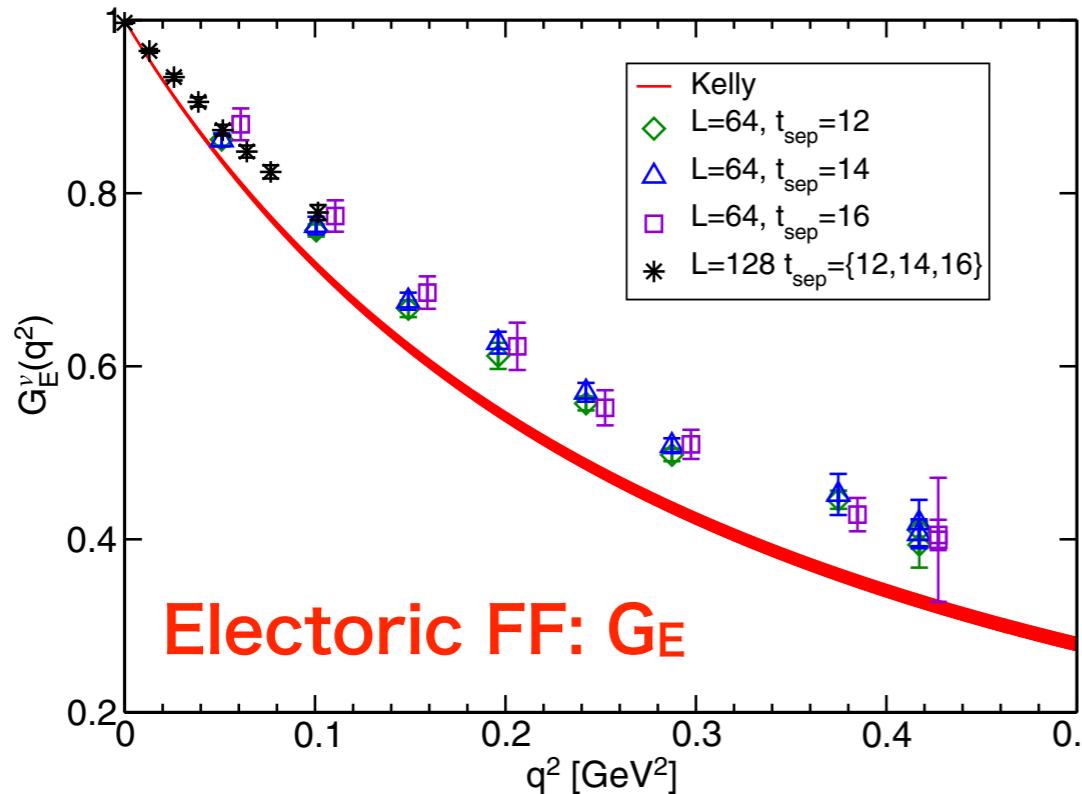


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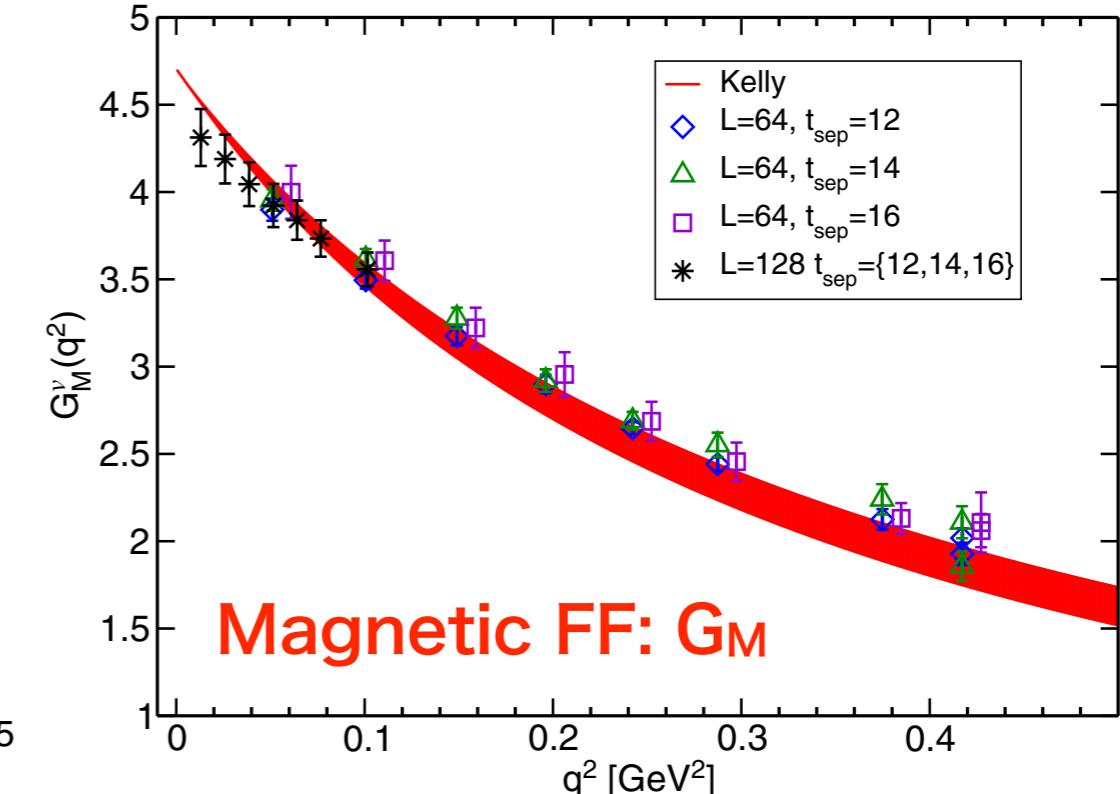
$$p_{\text{lat}}^2$$

$$p_{\text{lat}}^2 = \left(\frac{2\pi}{L}\right)^2 \times n$$

# 1284 vs 644

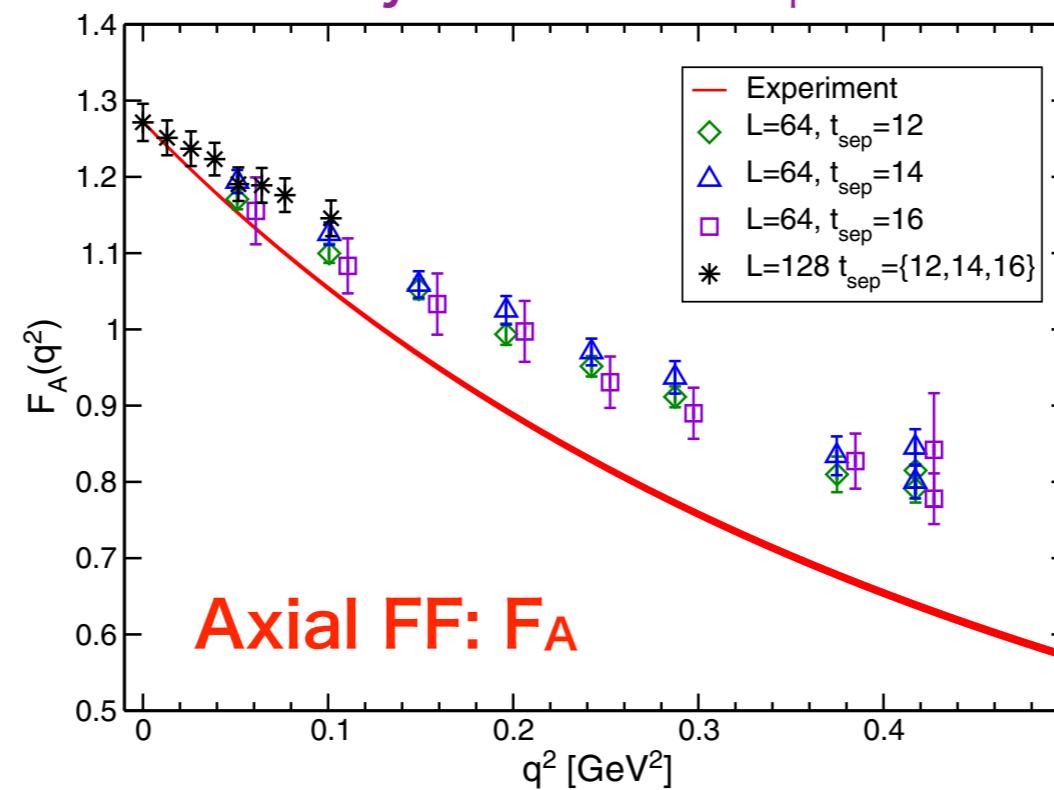


Electric FF:  $G_E$



Magnetic FF:  $G_M$

Kelly's form factor parameterization, PRC70 (04) 068202

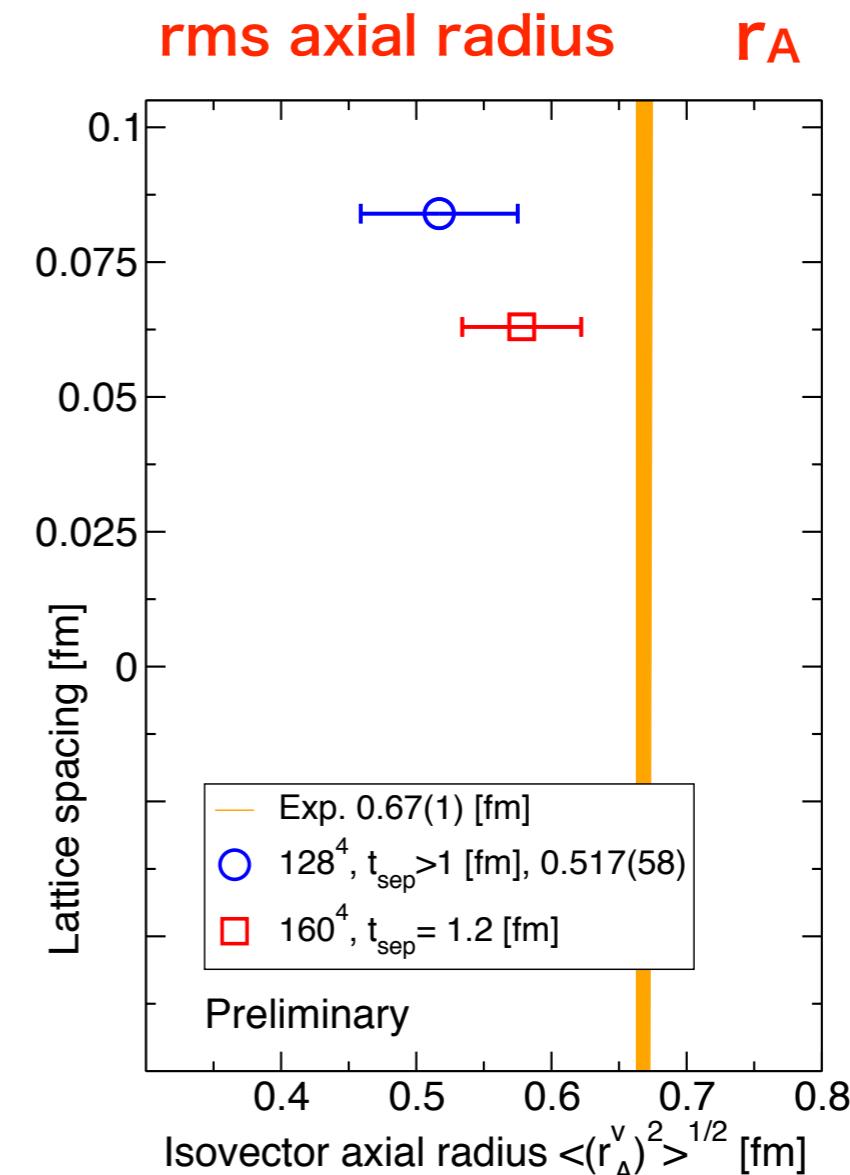
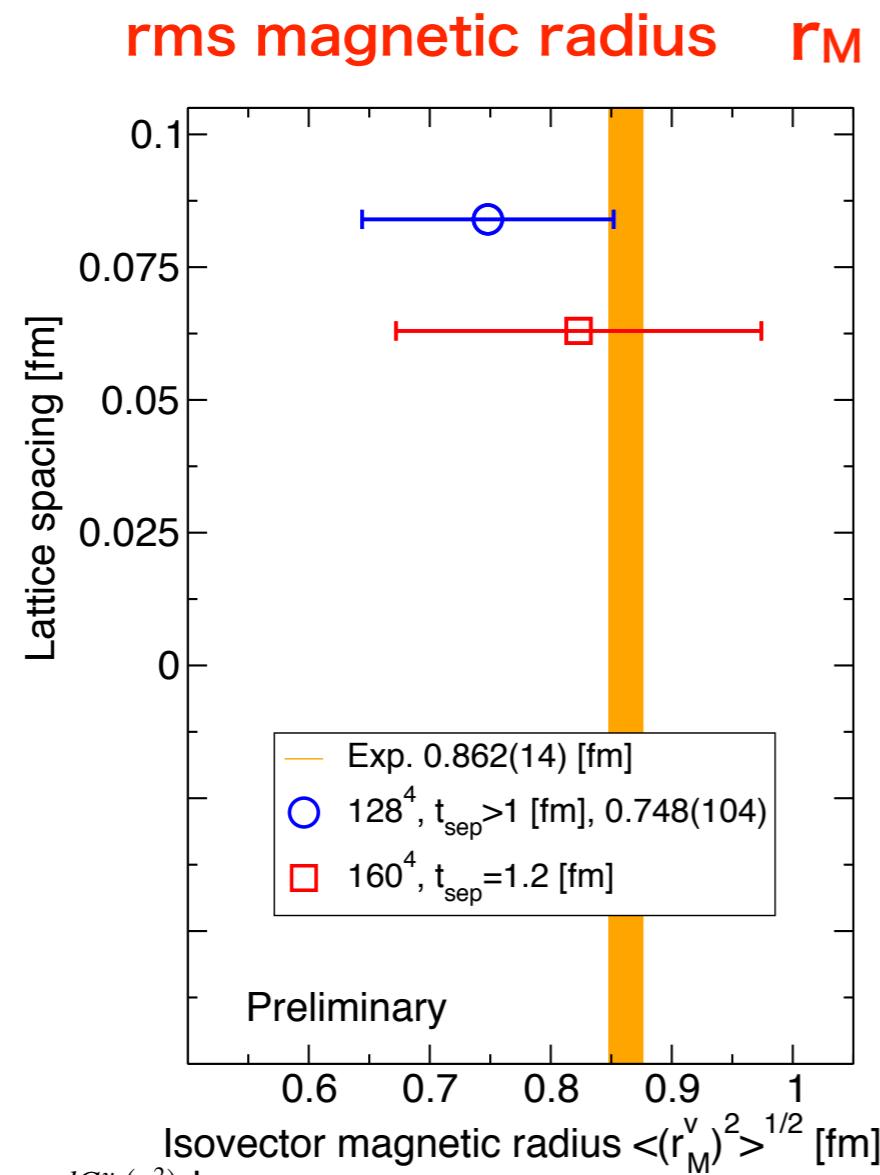


Axial FF:  $F_A$

dipole form with  $r_A=0.67(1)$  fm

# Other rms radii

► Lattice discretization uncertainties on  $r_M$  and  $r_A$



Statistically insignificant

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (r_M^v)^2 \rangle &\equiv -6 \frac{1}{G_M^v(q^2)} \left. \frac{dG_M^v(q^2)}{dq^2} \right|_{q^2=0} \\ &= \frac{\mu_p}{\mu_v} \langle (r_M^p)^2 \rangle - \frac{\mu_n}{\mu_v} \langle (r_M^n)^2 \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle r_A^2 \rangle = -\frac{6}{F_A(0)} \left. \frac{dF_A}{dq^2} \right|_{q^2=0}$$

# All-mode average

- ▶ Compute the combination of correlator with  
**high-precision  $O^{(\text{org})}$**  and **low-precision  $O^{(\text{approx})}$**

$$O^{(\text{ama})} = \frac{1}{N_{\text{org}}} \sum_{f \in G} \left( O^{(\text{org})f} - O^{(\text{approx})f} \right) + \frac{1}{N_G} \sum_{g \in G} O^{(\text{approx})g}$$

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	$t_{\text{sep}}/a$	$N_{\text{org}}$	$N_G$	# meas
<b>128<sup>4</sup> lattice</b>	10	1	128	2, 560
	12	1	256	5, 120
	14	2	320	6, 400
	16	4	512	10, 218

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