



# New $B \rightarrow D^* l \bar{\nu}$ at Zero Recoil

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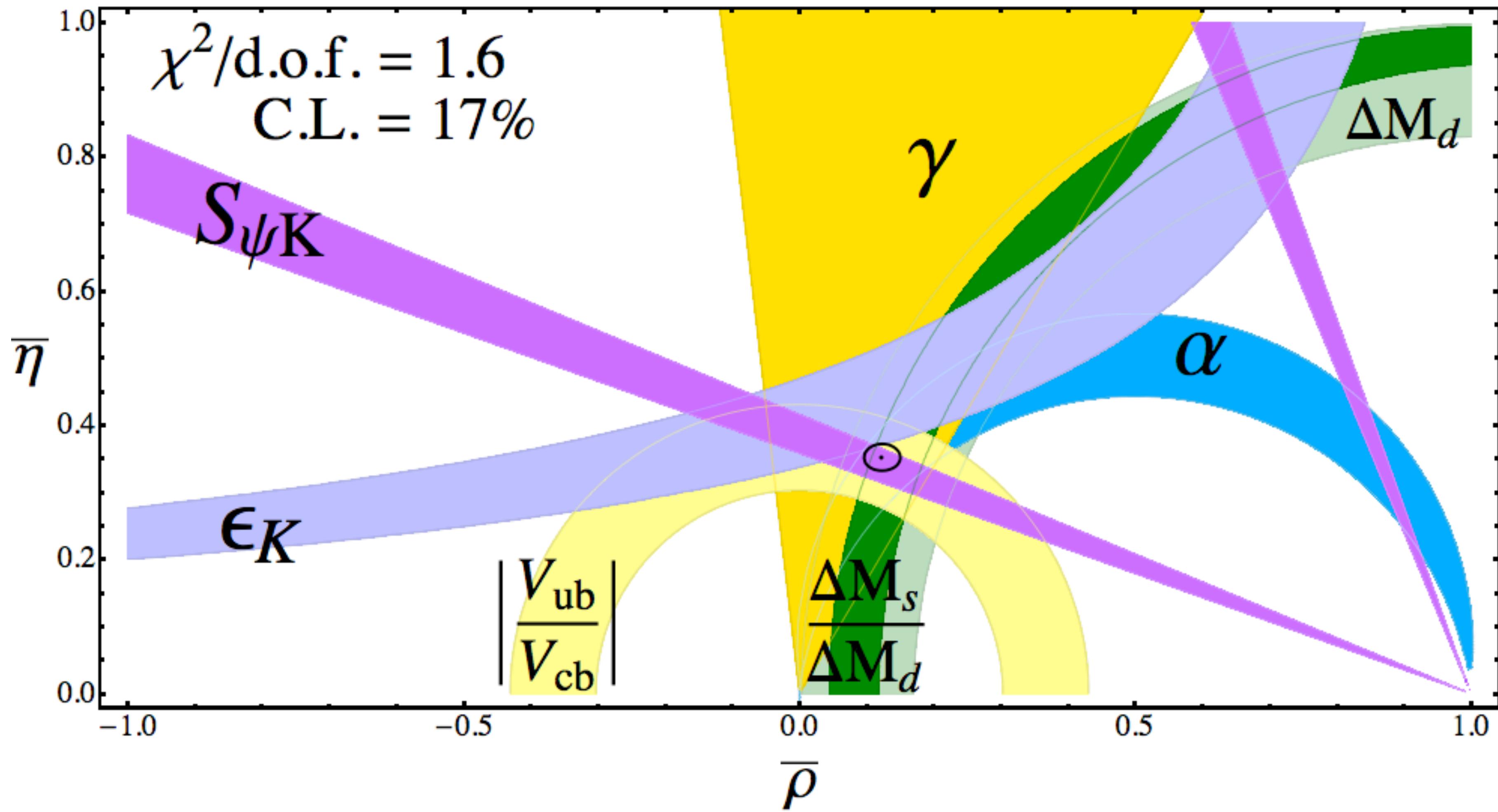
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# Motivation: Determine $|V_{cb}|$ of the CKM Matrix

Cabibbo, PRL **10** (1963) 531;  
Kobayashi, Maskawa, Prog. Theor. Phys. **49** (1973) 652

# $|V_{cb}|$ Normalizes the whole Unitarity Triangle

c.f., Laiho, Lunghi, Van de Water, [arXiv:0910.2928](https://arxiv.org/abs/0910.2928)



# Semileptonic Form Factors

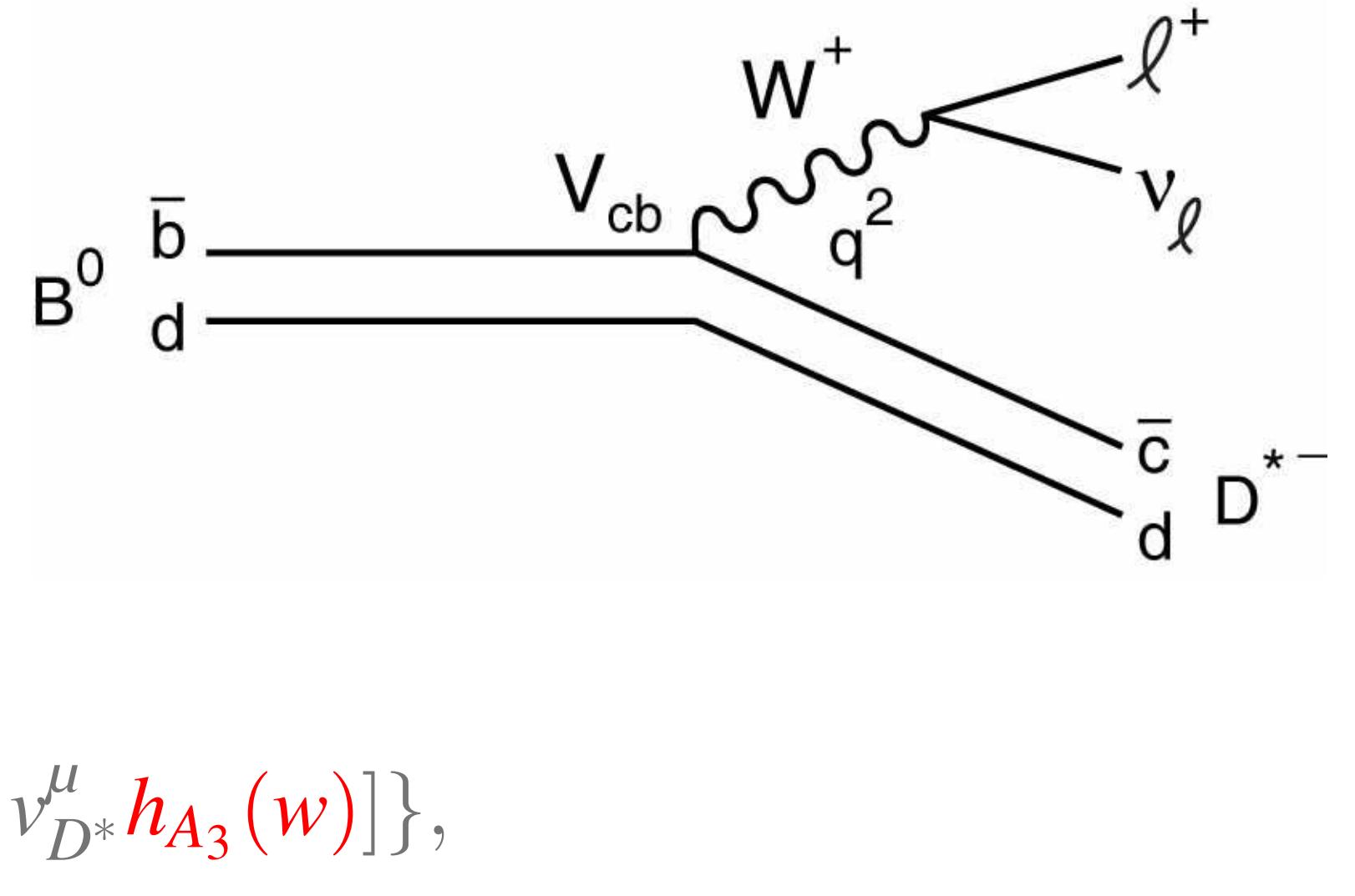
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- Kinematics:  $q^2 = M_B^2 + M_{D^*}^2 - 2\textcolor{red}{w}M_B M_{D^*}$ ,  $\textcolor{red}{w} = v_B \cdot v_{D^*}$ :

$$\frac{\langle D | \mathcal{V}^\mu | B \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_D}} = (v_B + v_D)^\mu \textcolor{red}{h}_+(w) + (v_B - v_D)^\mu \textcolor{red}{h}_-(w),$$

$$\frac{\langle D_\alpha^* | \mathcal{V}^\mu | B \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_{D^*}}} = \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} v_B^\nu v_{D^*}^\rho \epsilon_\alpha^{*\sigma} \textcolor{red}{h}_V(w),$$

$$\frac{\langle D_\alpha^* | \mathcal{A}^\mu | B \rangle}{\sqrt{m_B m_{D^*}}} = i \epsilon_\alpha^{*\nu} \{ (1+w) g^{\nu\mu} \textcolor{red}{h}_{A_1}(w) - v_B^\nu [v_B^\mu \textcolor{red}{h}_{A_2}(w) + v_{D^*}^\mu \textcolor{red}{h}_{A_3}(w)] \},$$



$$\frac{d\Gamma(B \rightarrow D \ell \nu)}{dw} = \frac{G_F^2}{48\pi^3} m_D^3 (m_B + m_D)^2 (w^2 - 1)^{3/2} |V_{cb}|^2 |\mathcal{G}(w)|^2$$

$$\mathcal{G}(w) = \textcolor{red}{h}_+(w) - \frac{m_B - m_D}{m_B + m_D} \textcolor{red}{h}_-(w) \propto f_+(q^2)$$

$B \rightarrow D^*/\nu$  at Zero Recoil,  $w \rightarrow 1$ :

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$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{w^2 - 1}} \frac{d\Gamma}{dw} = \frac{G_F^2}{4\pi^3} m_{D^*}^3 (m_B - m_{D^*})^2 |V_{cb}|^2 \chi(w) |\mathcal{F}(w)|^2$$

$$\chi(w) = \frac{w+1}{12} \left( 5w + 1 - \frac{8w(w-1)m_B m_{D^*}}{(m_B - m_{D^*})^2} \right) \rightarrow 1$$

$$\mathcal{F}(w) = h_{A_1}(w) \frac{1+w}{2} \sqrt{\frac{H_0^2(w) + H_+^2(w) + H_-^2(w)}{3\chi(w)}} \rightarrow h_{A_1}(1)$$

$$H_0(w) = \frac{m_B w - m_{D^*} - m_B(w-1)R_2(w)}{m_B - m_{D^*}} \rightarrow 1$$

$$H_{\pm}(w) = t(w) \left[ 1 \mp \sqrt{(w-1)/(w+1)} R_1(w) \right] \rightarrow 1$$

$$t^2(w) = [m_B^2 + m_{D^*}^2 - 2wm_B m_{D^*}] / (m_B - m_{D^*})^2 \rightarrow 1$$

$$R_1(w) = h_V(w)/h_{A_1}(w)$$

$$R_2(w) = [m_B h_{A_3}(w) + m_{D^*} h_{A_2}(w)] / m_B h_{A_1}(w)$$

# Advantages of Zero Recoil

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- Simpler: one number to compute, not four functions: take shape from experiment.

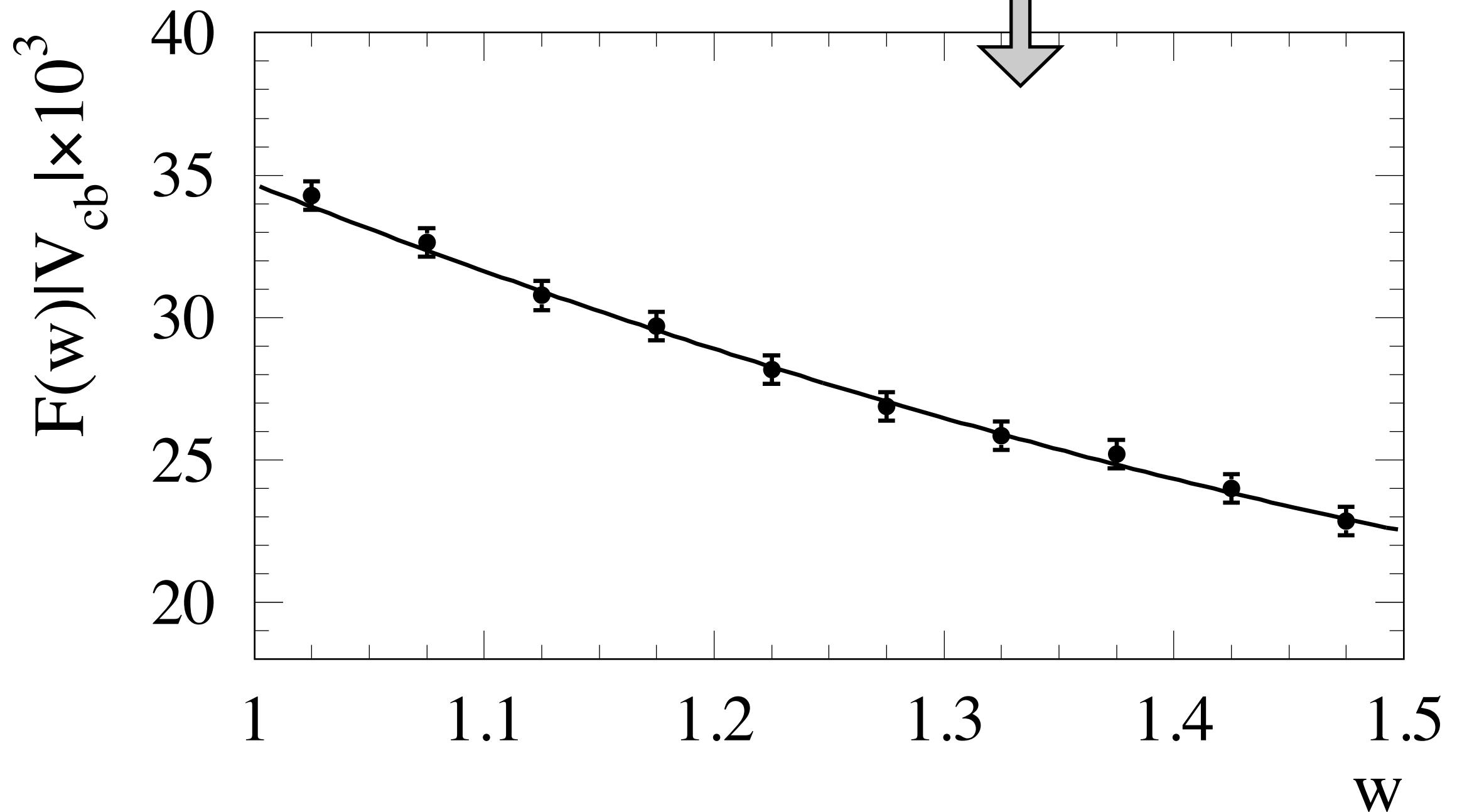
- More powerful HQS:

- Luke's theorem,  $1/m_Q^2$ ;

- control errors.

- Nonzero recoil has  $1/m_Q$ :

- e.g., larger discretization errors.



- In the end, of course, adopt strategy that minimizes error in  $|V_{cb}|$ .

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# History

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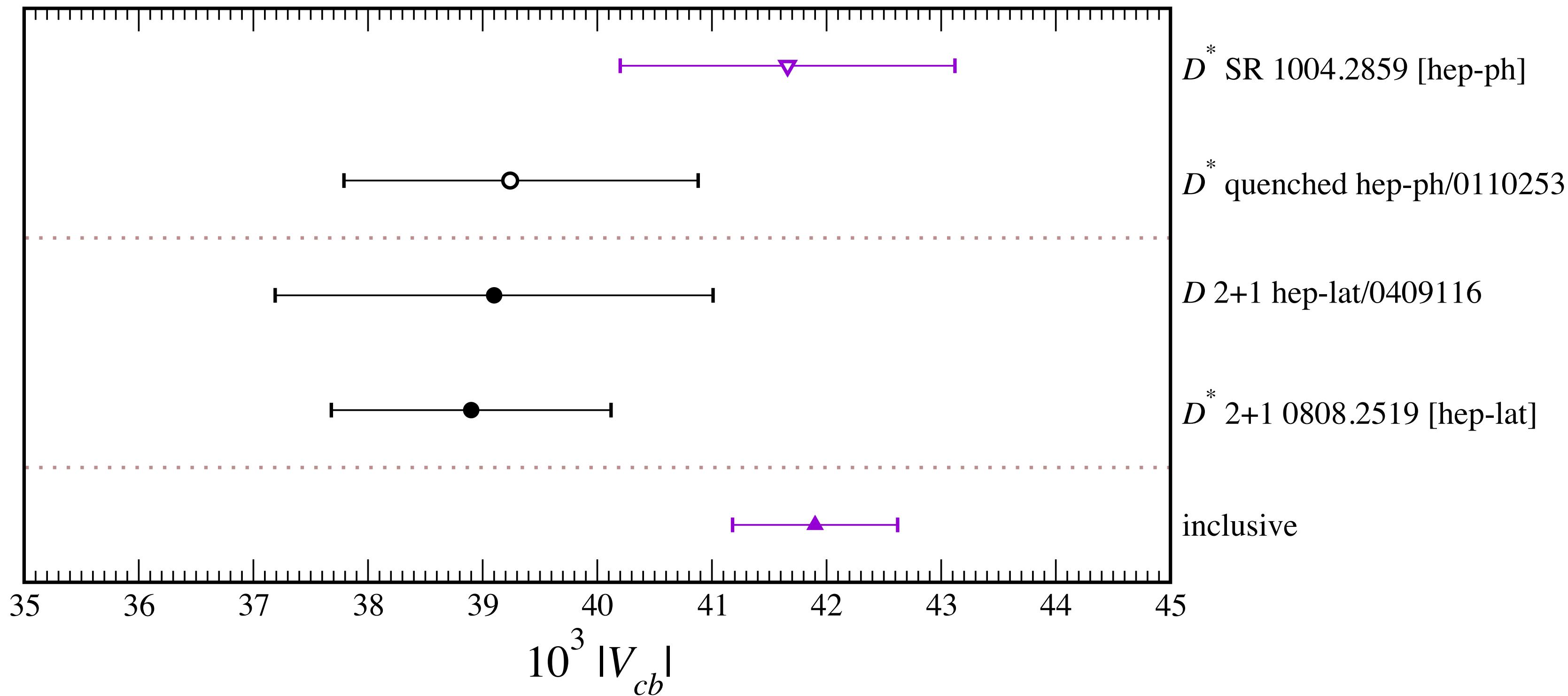
- Quenched calculation: [Hashimoto *et al.*, [hep-ph/0110253](#)]
  - $\mathcal{F}(1) = 0.913_{-0.017}^{+0.024} \pm 0.016_{-0.014}^{+0.003} {}^{+0.000} {}^{+0.006}$  stats, match,  $a$ ,  $\chi$ PT, quenching
- became default value used by experiments to determine  $|V_{cb}|$ , until
- Unquenched (2+1 staggered sea quarks): [alia et Laiho *et al.*, [arXiv:0808.2519](#)]
  - $\mathcal{F}(1) = 0.921 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.008 \pm 0.014 \pm 0.006 \pm 0.003 \pm 0.004$ 

stats	$g_{DD^*\pi}$	$\chi$ PT	disc.	$\kappa_{b,c}$	match	$u_0$
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  - leading to (latest HFAG)  $|V_{cb}| = (38.9 \pm 0.7_{\text{expt}} \pm 1.0_{\text{LQCD}}) \times 10^{-3}$  [Kowalewski, FPCP]
  - Methods for nonzero recoil, with different matching/discretization strategies [Tantalo *et al.*].

# Tension

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- Determinations of  $|V_{cb}|$  via **exclusive** (+ LQCD) and **inclusive** (+ OPE & pQCD) decays agree poorly ( $\sim 2\%$ ). Using HGAF update for FPCP (2010.05.26) [Kowalewski]:



# Tension Tamers

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- Exclusive:
  - firm up existing lattice-QCD calculations (this talk); cross-check from other groups;
  - re-examine extrapolation  $w \rightarrow 1$ ;
  - determine  $|V_{cb}|$  at  $w \neq 1$ .
- Inclusive: higher-order corrections being computed.

# Ingredients

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- Gluon fields from MILC ensembles:
  - Lüscher-Weisz improved action with  $g^2 N_c$  corrections but not  $g^2 n_f - O(\alpha_s'' a^2), O(a^4)$ ;
  - **2+1** flavors of sea quarks: rooted asqtad determinant— $O(\alpha_s a^2), O(a^4)$  “small”  $\Leftarrow$  Fat7.
- Light spectator quark: asqtad action— $O(\alpha_s a^2), O(a^4)$  “small”  $\Leftarrow$  Fat7.
- Heavy quarks: Sheikholeslami-Wohlert (aka **clover**) action with Fermilab interpretation:
  - discretization effects  $O(\alpha_s a^2 b_{\Sigma \cdot B}^{[1]}(ma)), O(\alpha_s a^2 d_1^{[1]}(ma)), O(a^2 b_i^{[0]}(ma))$ ;
  - functions  $b_i^{[0]}(ma)$  derived from HQET matching (see below).

# MILC asqtad ensembles

$a$ (fm)	lattice	# confs	$(am_l, am_s)$	$am_q$	$\varkappa_b$	$\varkappa_c$	$c_{\text{SW}}$
$\approx 0.15$ medium	$16^3 \times 48$	596	(0.0290, 0.0484)	{0.0484, 0.0068,			
	$16^3 \times 48$	640	(0.0194, 0.0484)	0.0453, 0.0421,			
	$16^3 \times 48$	631	(0.0097, 0.0484)	0.0290, <b>0.0194</b> ,	0.0781	0.1218	1.570
		20 <sup>3</sup> ×48	(0.0048, 0.0484)	0.0097, 0.0048}			
$\approx 0.12$ coarse	$20^3 \times 64$	2052	(0.02, 0.05)	{0.05, 0.03,	0.0918	0.1259	1.525
	$20^3 \times 64$	2259	(0.01, 0.05)	0.0415, 0.0349,	0.0901	0.1254	1.531
	$20^3 \times 64$	2110	(0.007, 0.05)	<b>0.02</b> , 0.01,	0.0901	0.1254	1.530
	$24^3 \times 64$	2099	(0.005, 0.05)	0.007, 0.005}	0.0901	0.1254	1.530
$\approx 0.09$ fine	$28^3 \times 96$	1996	(0.0124, 0.031)	{0.031, 0.261,	0.0982	0.1277	1.473
	$28^3 \times 96$	1946	(0.0062, 0.031)	0.0093,	0.0979	0.1276	1.476
	$32^3 \times 96$	983	(0.00465, 0.031)	<b>0.0124</b> , 0.0062	0.0977	0.1275	1.476
	$40^3 \times 96$	1015	(0.0031, 0.031)	0.0047, 0.0031}	0.0976	0.1275	1.478
$\approx 0.06$ superfine	$48^3 \times 144$	668	(0.0072, 0.018)	{0.0188, 0.0160,	0.1052	0.1296	1.4287
	$48^3 \times 144$	668	(0.0036, 0.018)	0.0054,	0.1052	0.1296	1.4287
	$56^3 \times 144$	800	(0.0025, 0.018)	<b>0.0072</b> , 0.0036			
	$64^3 \times 144$	826	(0.0018, 0.018)	0.0025, 0.0018}			
$\approx 0.045$ ultrafine	$64^3 \times 192$	860	(0.0028, 0.014)	0.014, 0.0028			

# Scope of analysis

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- This update encompasses the ensembles highlighted in **red**:
  - mass and decay correlators for all  $am_q = am_l$  aka “full QCD” or “unitary” (in *italics*);
  - also for all  $am_q = 0.4am_s$  (**in bold**);
  - hence  $2 + 7 + 5 + 3$  (partially-quenched) correlators at  $am_q = 0.15, 0.12, 0.09, 0.06$  fm.
- Bare quark mass (aka  $\kappa$ ) determined from spin-averaged kinetic meson mass:
  - improving strategies with twisted b.c. and, eventually, better sources.
- Tree-level tadpole improved  $c_{\text{SW}} = 1/u_0^3$ , where  $u_0^A = \langle \text{plaquette} \rangle$ .

# Correlators and Ratios of Correlators

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- Our objective is

$$\mathcal{R}_{A_1} = \frac{\langle D^* | \bar{c} \gamma_j \gamma_5 b | \bar{B} \rangle \langle \bar{B} | \bar{b} \gamma_j \gamma_5 c | D^* \rangle}{\langle D^* | \bar{c} \gamma_4 c | D^* \rangle \langle \bar{B} | \bar{b} \gamma_4 b | \bar{B} \rangle} = |h_{A_1}(1)|^2$$

- We define 3-point correlations functions:

$$C^{B \rightarrow D^*}(t_i, t_s, t_f) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle 0 | O_{D^*}(\mathbf{x}, t_f) \bar{\Psi}_c \gamma_j \gamma_5 \Psi_b(\mathbf{y}, t_s) O_B^\dagger(\mathbf{0}, t_i) | 0 \rangle,$$

$$C^{B \rightarrow B}(t_i, t_s, t_f) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle 0 | O_B(\mathbf{x}, t_f) \bar{\Psi}_b \gamma_4 \Psi_b(\mathbf{y}, t_s) O_B^\dagger(\mathbf{0}, t_i) | 0 \rangle,$$

$$C^{D^* \rightarrow D^*}(t_i, t_s, t_f) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \langle 0 | O_{D^*}(\mathbf{x}, t_f) \bar{\Psi}_c \gamma_4 \Psi_c(\mathbf{y}, t_s) O_{D^*}^\dagger(\mathbf{0}, t_i) | 0 \rangle.$$

- So look for plateau in

$$R_{A_1}(t) = \frac{C^{B \rightarrow D^*}(0, t, T) C^{D^* \rightarrow B}(0, t, T)}{C^{D^* \rightarrow D^*}(0, t, T) C^{B \rightarrow B}(0, t, T)} = \rho_A^{-2} \mathcal{R}_{A_1}$$

matching  $\rho_A$

# Oscillating states:

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- A staggered correlator couples to opposite-parity states with  $(-1)^t$ :

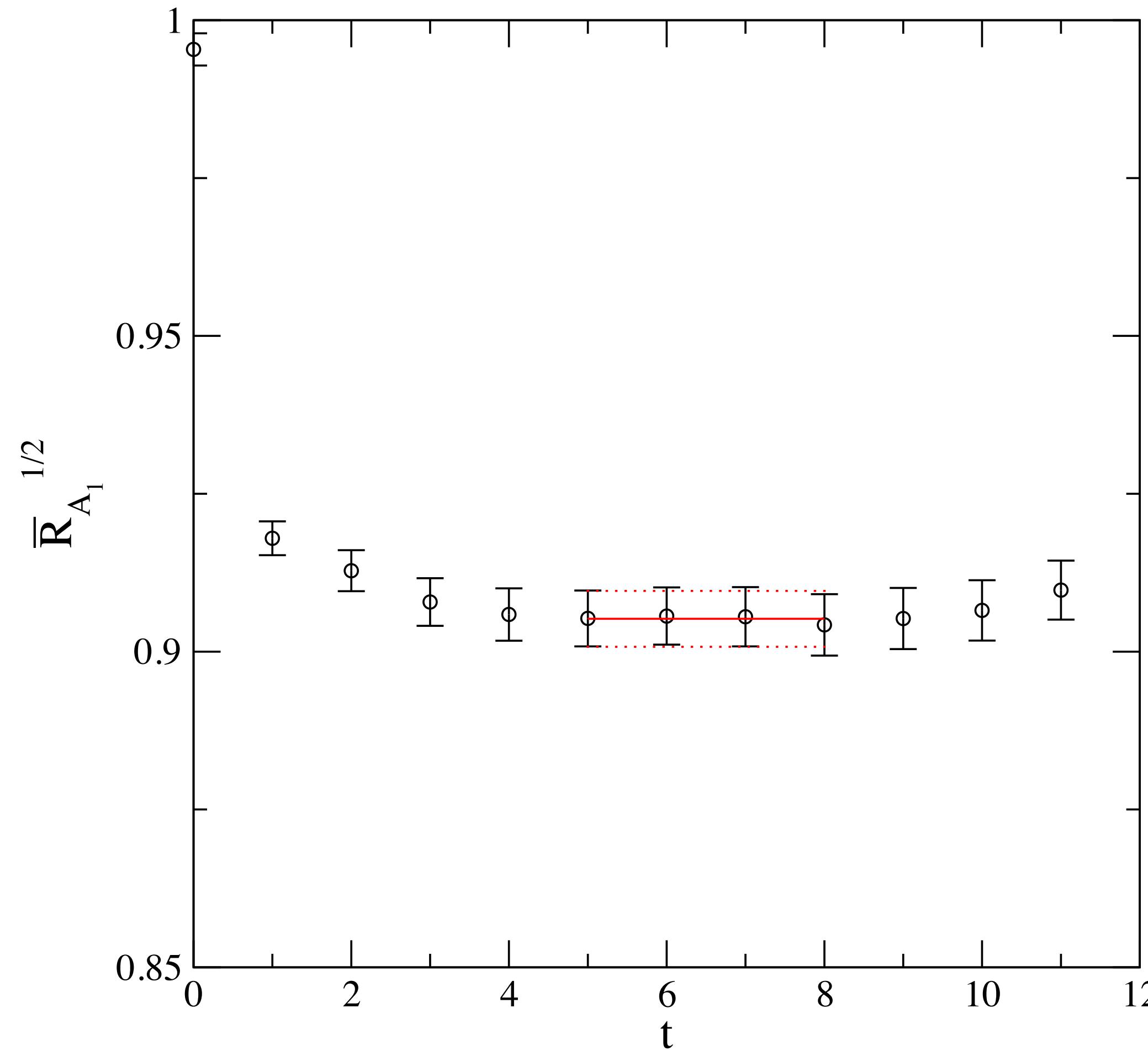
$$\begin{aligned} C^{X \rightarrow Y}(0, t, T) &= \sum_{k=0} \sum_{\ell=0} (-1)^{kt} (-1)^{\ell(T-t)} A_{\ell k} e^{-m_X^{(k)} t} e^{-m_Y^{(\ell)} (T-t)} \\ &= A_{00}^{X \rightarrow Y} e^{-m_X t - m_Y (T-t)} + (-1)^{T-t} A_{01}^{X \rightarrow Y} e^{-m_X t - m'_Y (T-t)} \\ &\quad + (-1)^t A_{10}^{X \rightarrow Y} e^{-m'_X t - m_Y (T-t)} + \boxed{(-1)^T A_{11}^{X \rightarrow Y} e^{-m'_X t - m'_Y (T-t)}} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- Last term is wrong-parity-to-wrong-parity transition, and doesn't oscillate in  $t$ .
- Does oscillate in  $T$ , so control by computing  $C^{X \rightarrow Y}(0, t, T)$  and  $C^{X \rightarrow Y}(0, t, T+1)$ :

$$\bar{R}_{A_1}(0, t, T) = \frac{1}{2} R_{A_1}(0, t, T) + \frac{1}{4} R_{A_1}(0, t, T+1) + \frac{1}{4} R_{A_1}(0, t+1, T+1)$$

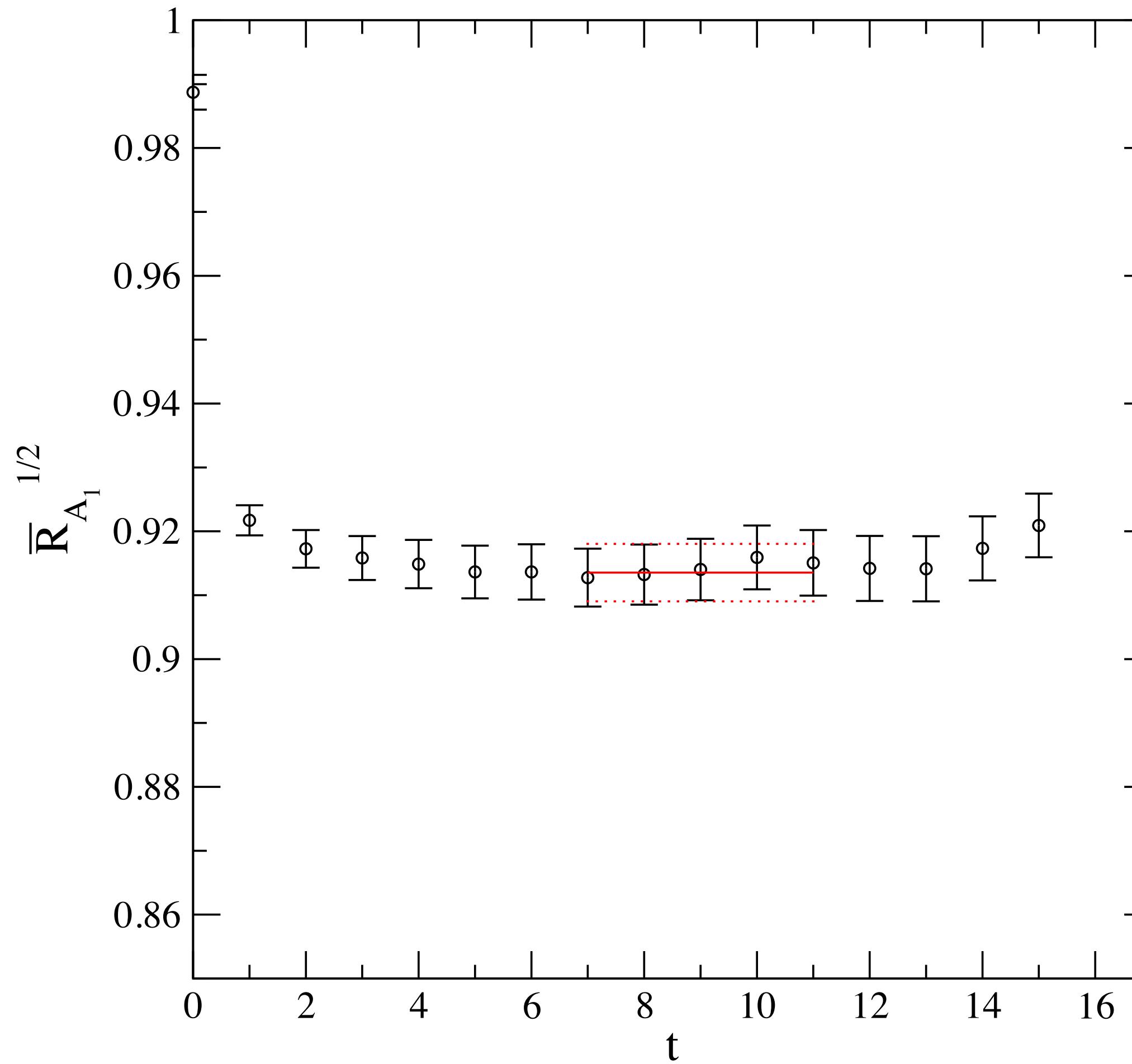
# Plateau on a Coarse Ensemble

$(am_l, am_s) = (0.01, 0.05)$



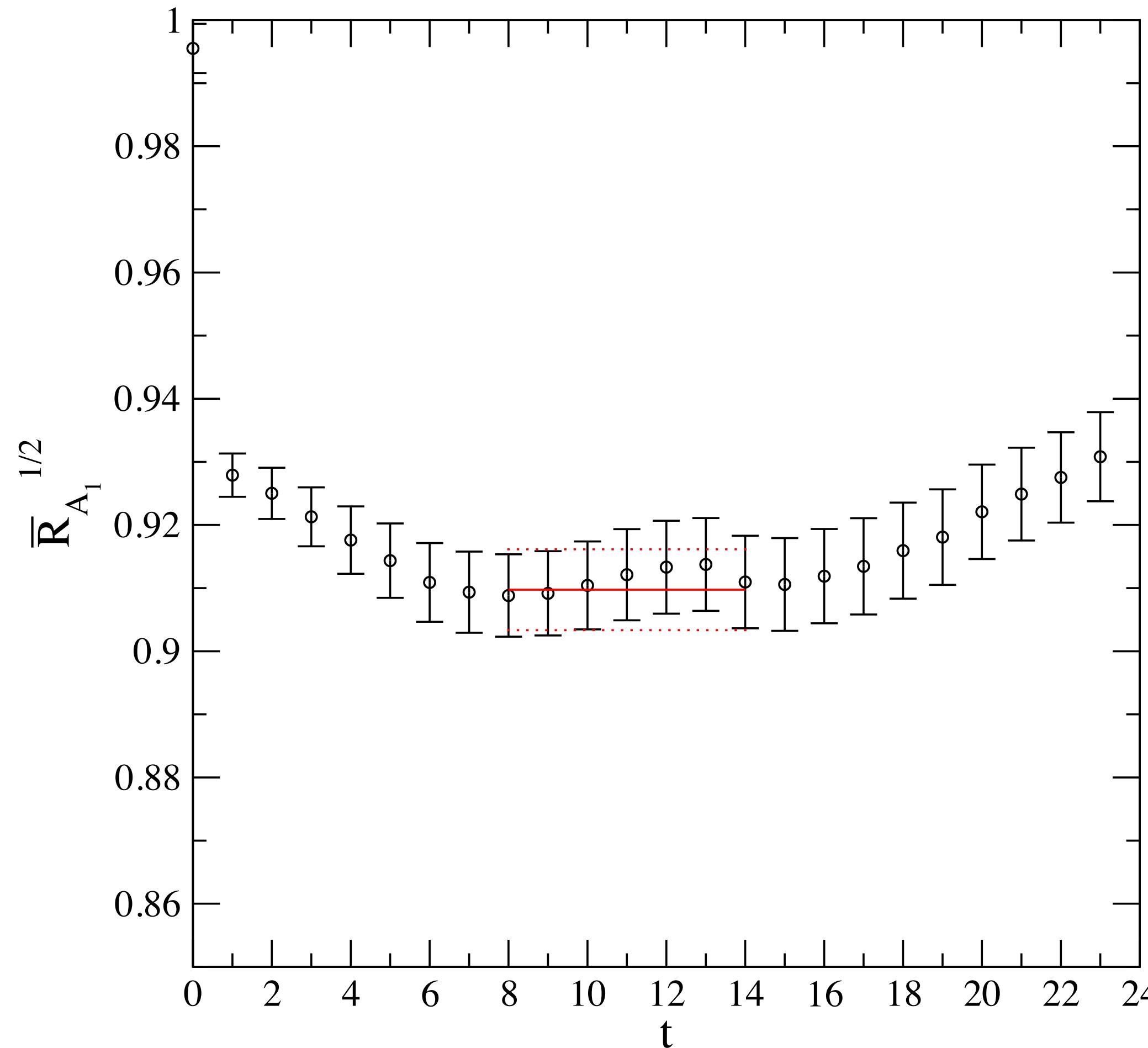
# Plateau on a Fine Ensemble

$(am_l, am_s) = (0.0062, 0.031)$



# Plateau on a Superfine Ensemble

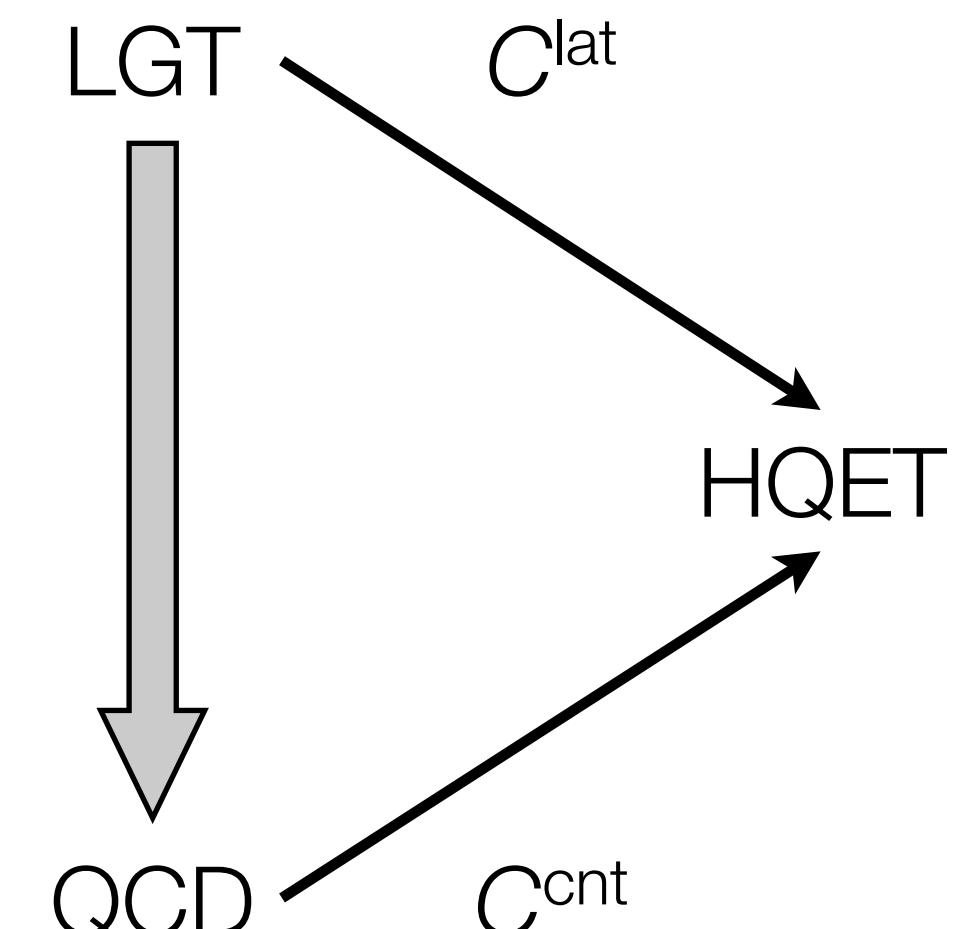
$(am_l, am_s) = (0.0036, 0.018)$



# Matching and Discretization via HQET

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- Heavy-light hadrons can be described by heavy-quark effective theory.
- Founded on basic dynamics and emerging symmetries.
- LGT has the same basic dynamics and symmetries, so an HQET description exists here too.
- Relating HQET for two underlying theories (LGT & QCD) yields
  - theory of cutoff effects;
  - definition of matching factors;
  - relationships between observables.



- From HQET matching, **non-zero recoil** [J. Harada et al., [hep-lat/0112045](#)]:

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle D^* | \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \cdot A_{\text{lat}} | B \rangle = & \bar{C}_{A_\perp}^{\text{lat}} \langle D_{\nu'}^{(0)} | \bar{c}_{\nu'} \not{\epsilon} \gamma_5 b_\nu | B_\nu^{(0)} \rangle - \sum_{i \in S_\perp} \bar{B}_{Ai}^{\text{lat}} \langle D_{\nu'}^{(0)} | \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \cdot \bar{Q}_{Ai} | B_\nu^{(0)} \rangle \\
& - C_{2c}^{\text{lat}} \bar{C}_{A_\perp}^{\text{lat}} \int d^4x \langle D_{\nu'}^{(0)} | T O_{2c}(x) \bar{c}_{\nu'} \not{\epsilon} \gamma_5 b_\nu | B_\nu^{(0)} \rangle^* \\
& - C_{\mathcal{B}c}^{\text{lat}} \bar{C}_{A_\perp}^{\text{lat}} \int d^4x \langle D_{\nu'}^{(0)} | T O_{\mathcal{B}c}(x) \bar{c}_{\nu'} \not{\epsilon} \gamma_5 b_\nu | B_\nu^{(0)} \rangle^* \\
& - C_{2b}^{\text{lat}} \bar{C}_{A_\perp}^{\text{lat}} \int d^4x \langle D_{\nu'}^{(0)} | T \bar{c}_{\nu'} \not{\epsilon} \gamma_5 b_\nu O_{2b}(x) | B_\nu^{(0)} \rangle^* \\
& - C_{\mathcal{B}b}^{\text{lat}} \bar{C}_{A_\perp}^{\text{lat}} \int d^4x \langle D_{\nu'}^{(0)} | T \bar{c}_{\nu'} \not{\epsilon} \gamma_5 b_\nu O_{\mathcal{B}b}(x) | B_\nu^{(0)} \rangle^* \\
& + a K_{\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{F}} C_{A_\perp}^{\text{lat}} \int d^4x \langle D_{\nu'}^{(0)} | T \bar{c}_{\nu'} \not{\epsilon} \gamma_5 b_\nu \bar{q} i \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{F} q(x) | B_\nu^{(0)} \rangle^* + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda^2 a^2 b(ma))
\end{aligned}$$

but as  $\nu' \rightarrow \nu$ , all corrections vanish.

- Luke's theorem.

- From (tree-level) HQET matching, **zero** recoil [ASK, [hep-lat/00020085](#)]:

$$\delta h_{A_1}(1) = \left( \frac{1}{8m_{3c}^2} - \frac{1}{8m_{D_\perp^2 c}^2} + \frac{1}{8m_{3b}^2} - \frac{1}{8m_{D_\perp^2 b}^2} \right) \mu_\pi^2 + \left( \frac{1}{8m_{3c}^2} - \frac{1}{8m_{sBc}^2} - \frac{3}{8m_{3b}^2} + \frac{3}{8m_{sBb}^2} \right) \frac{\mu_G^2}{3}$$

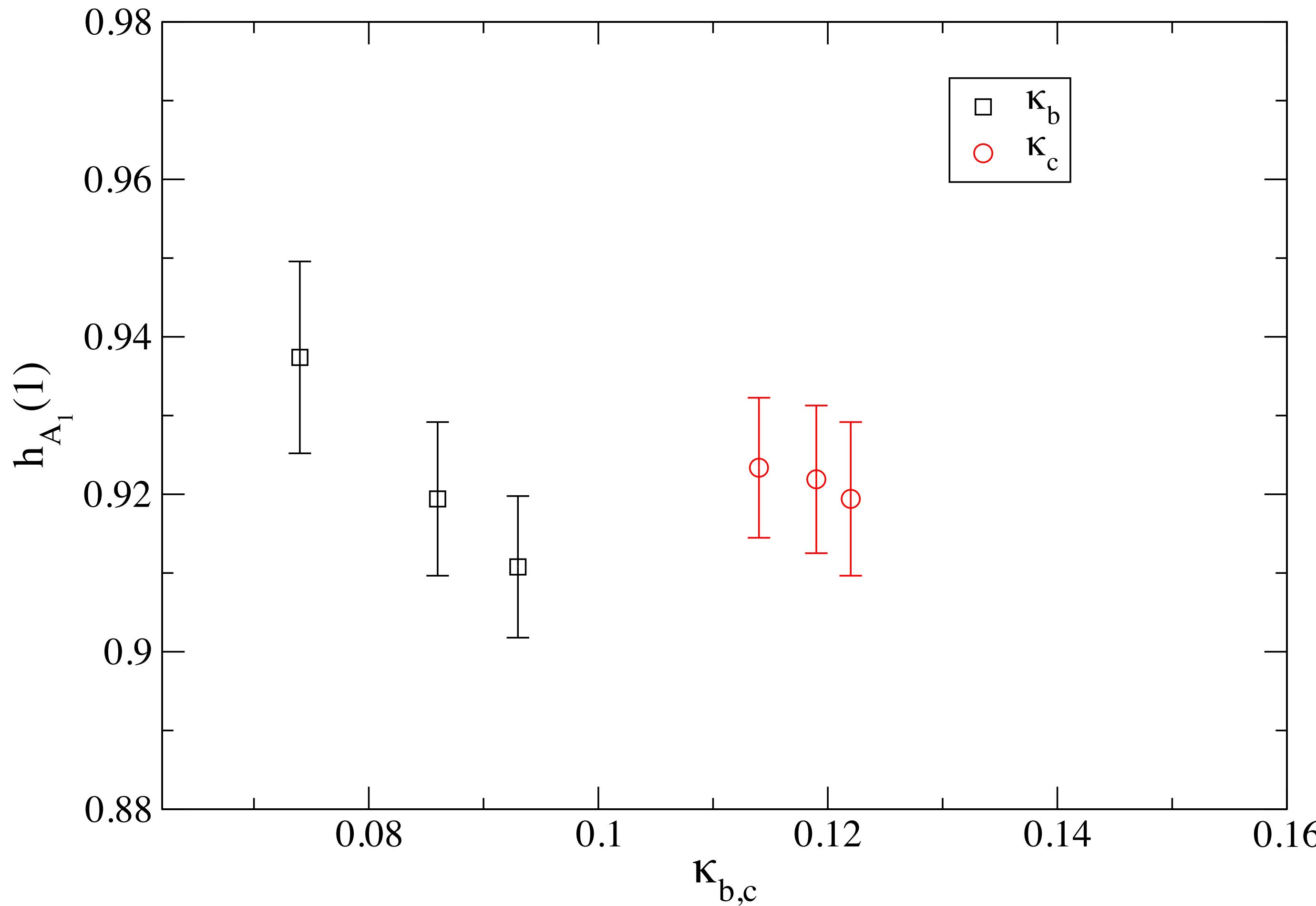
which cancel well for  $c$  ( $m_c a < 1$ ) and to some extent for  $b$ .

- Previous work: conservative power counting with  $\Lambda = 500\text{--}700$  MeV.
- Future work: use explicit formulae and experimental results or lattice data for  $\mu_\pi^2$  and  $\mu_G^2$ .
- Remaining matching error is overall normalization, computed in one-loop PT w/ BLM  $\alpha_s$ :

$$\rho_A^2 = \frac{Z_A^2}{Z_{V^{bb}} Z_{V^{cc}}}$$

# Heavy-quark mass (aka $\kappa$ ) tuning

coarse ( $am_q, am_l, am_s$ ) = (0.02, 0.02, 0.05)



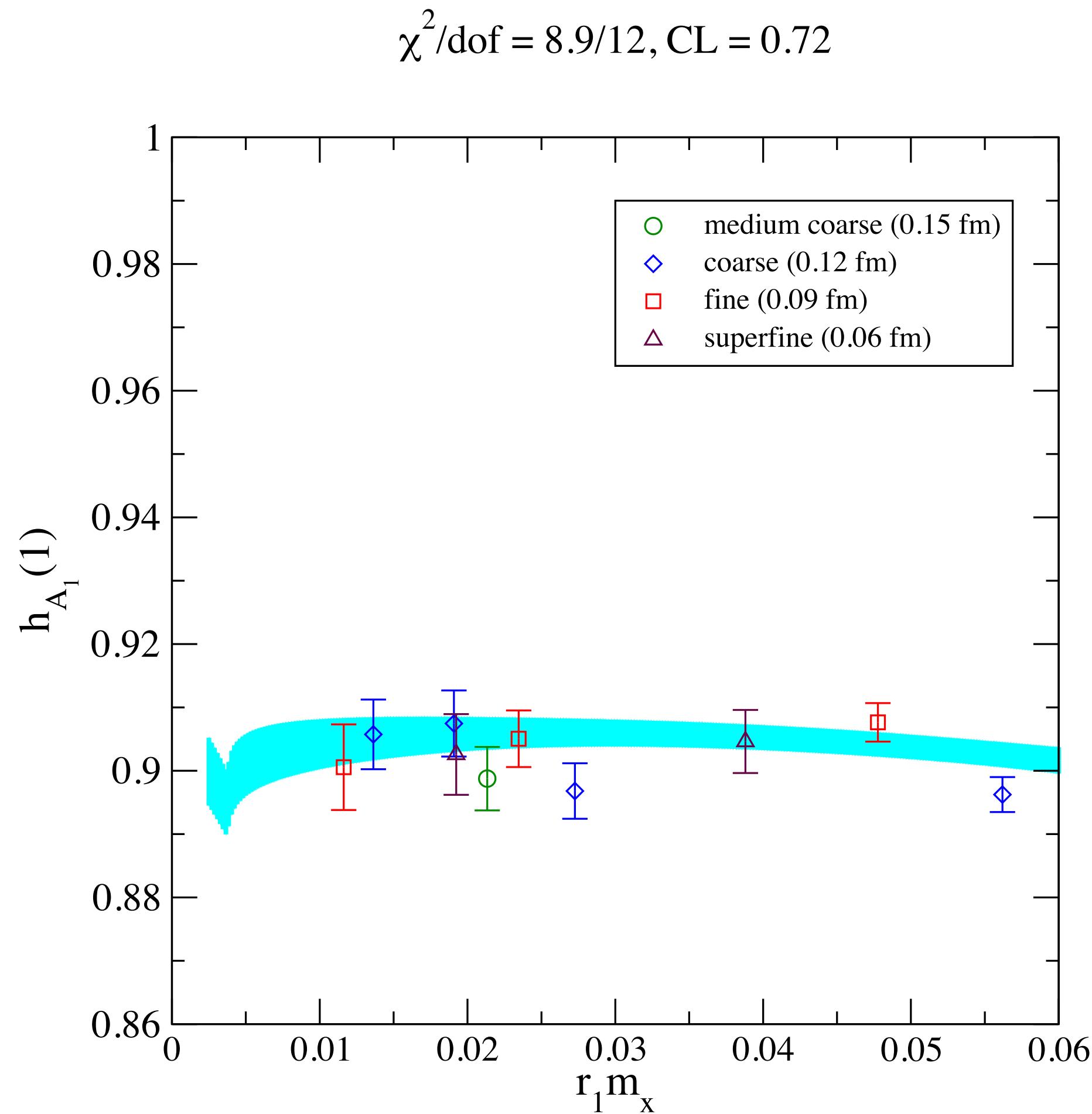
# Chiral Extrapolation

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- In [arXiv:0808.2519](#) we introduce two intermediate quadruple ratios (ratios of double ratios) to disentangle chiral extrapolation from heavy-quark discretization errors.
- Now we carry out the chiral extrapolation without the quadruple ratios, but with equivalent information in the fit.
- Partially-quenched staggered PT available from Laiho & Van de Water [[hep-lat/0512007](#)].
- Incorporates a cusp when pion is light enough for  $D^* \rightarrow D\pi$  to be physical.
- Show only “full QCD” points on plot:

# Chiral Extrapolation

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# New Preliminary Result

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- With blinding factor (via  $\rho_A$ ):

$$F_{\text{blind}} \mathcal{F}(1) = 0.8949 \pm 0.0051 \pm 0.0088 \pm 0.0072 \pm \color{red}{0.0093} \pm \color{red}{0.0050} \pm 0.0030$$

stats	$g_{DD^*\pi}$	$\chi^{\text{PT}}$	disc.	$\kappa_{b,c}$	match
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- Red errors still under study.
- Cannot determine  $|V_{cb}|$  until blinding factor is revealed.
- To compare errors ( $F_F$  scales central value to agree with [arXiv:0808.2519](#)):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}(1) &= 0.921(13)(8)(8)(14)(6)(3)(4) && [\text{then}] \\ F_F \mathcal{F}(1) &= 0.921(05)(9)(7)(\color{red}{10})(\color{red}{5})(3) && [\text{now}]\end{aligned}$$

so improvements (lack thereof) make sense.

# Outlook

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- Further study of discretization effects in progress.
- Tuning of hopping parameters central to whole program; evolves gradually as more ensembles are analyzed; may need “new” study of kappa dependence.
- Hope to unblind for CKM 2010, September, Warwick, UK.
- Ultrafine ensemble designed to reduce normalization uncertainties.