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Determining heavy meson LCDAs from lattice QCD

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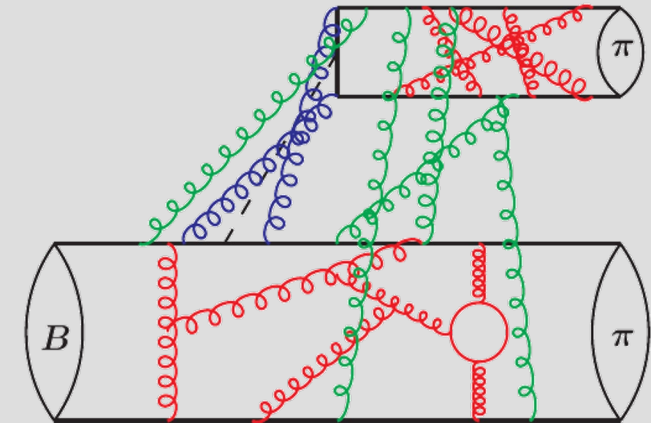
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A multi-scale problem: factorization

$$\langle \pi(p') \pi(q) | Q_i | \bar{B}(p) \rangle = \underbrace{f^{B \rightarrow \pi}(q^2)}_{\text{perturbative}} \int_0^1 dx \underbrace{T_i^{\text{I}}(x)}_{\text{perturbative}} \underbrace{\phi_\pi(x)}_{\text{nonperturbative}}$$
$$+ \int_0^1 d\xi dx dy \underbrace{T_i^{\text{II}}(\xi, x, y)}_{\text{perturbative}} \underbrace{\phi_B(\xi)}_{\text{nonperturbative}} \underbrace{\phi_\pi(x) \phi_\pi(y)}_{\text{nonperturbative}}$$

- **Perturbative:** matching, resummation, evolution
- **Nonperturbative:** Lattice QCD, sum rules, SU(3) symmetry, Quark model



Error analysis for B meson weak decay form factors

- The uncertainty of $B \rightarrow \pi, K^*$ form factors from LCSRs:

[Gao, Lu, Shen, Wang, Wei, 2020; Cui, Huang, Shen, Wang, 2023]

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$$f_{B \rightarrow \pi}^+(0) = 0.122 \times \left[1 \pm 0.07 \Big|_{S_0^\pi} \quad \pm 0.11 \Big|_{\Lambda_q} \quad \pm 0.02 \Big|_{\lambda_E^2/\lambda_H^2} \quad +0.05 \Big|_{M^2} \quad \pm 0.05 \Big|_{2\lambda_E^2 + \lambda_H^2} \right. \\ \left. +0.06 \Big|_{\mu_h} \quad \pm 0.04 \Big|_{\mu} \quad +1.36 \Big|_{\lambda_B} \quad +0.25 \Big|_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2} \right].$$

λ_B and σ_1 : the **first inverse** and **inverse-log moments**,

φ_B^\pm : uncertainties from **different parameterizations** of the B meson LCDA.

Without reliable B LCDA, it is impossible to discuss precision calculation!

Model dependence of heavy meson LCDAs

➤ Models for heavy meson LCDAs

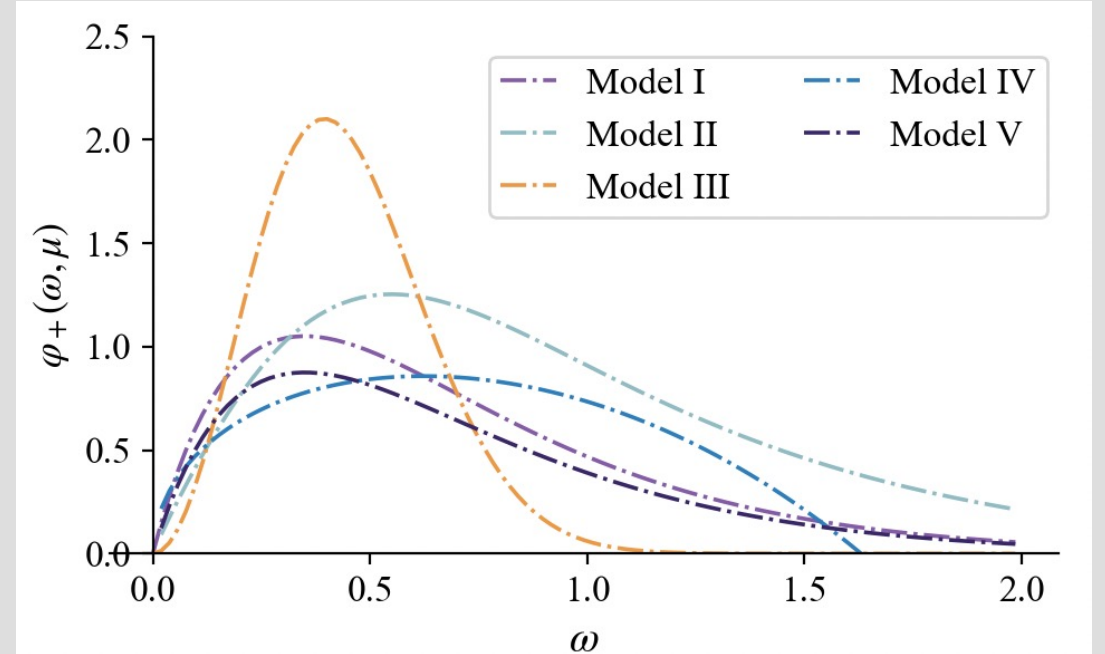
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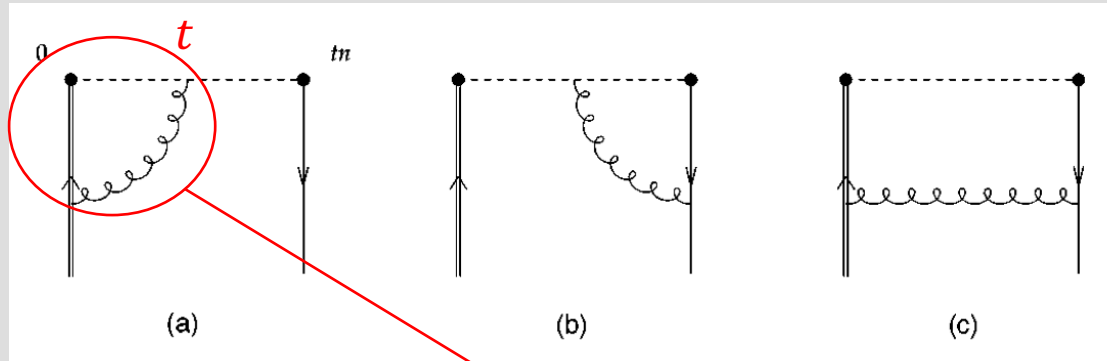
This leads to the **largest systematic error** in $B \rightarrow V$ form factors:

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Difficulties in first principle determinations

$$\langle H(p_H) | \bar{h}_v(0) \bar{h}_+ \gamma_5 [0, tn_+] q_s(tn_+) | 0 \rangle = -i \tilde{f}_H m_H n_+ \cdot v \int_0^\infty d\omega e^{i\omega t n_+ \cdot v} \varphi_+(\omega; \mu)$$



Diverge at $t \rightarrow 0!$

$$O_+^{\text{ren}}(t, \mu) = O_+^{\text{bare}}(t) + \frac{\alpha_s C_F}{4\pi} \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{\hat{\epsilon}^2} + \frac{4}{\hat{\epsilon}} \ln(it\mu) \right) O_+^{\text{bare}}(t) - \frac{4}{\hat{\epsilon}} \int_0^1 du \frac{u}{1-u} [O_+^{\text{bare}}(ut) - O_+^{\text{bare}}(t)] \right\}$$

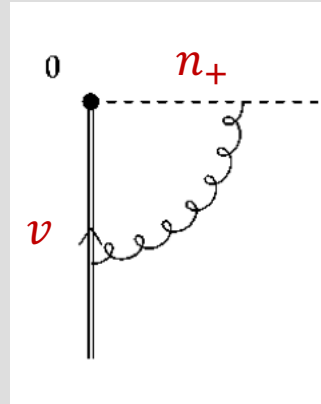
[Braun, Ivanov, Korchemsky, 2004]

Cusp divergence: No local limit!

- Non-negative moments are **not related to OPE**, and actually they **diverge**
- Cannot obtain φ_B from lattice QCD through their moments.

How to solve this problem?

Cusp divergence:



$$\cosh \theta = \frac{n_+ \cdot v}{\sqrt{n_+^2} \sqrt{v^2}}$$

[Korchemskaia, Korchemsky, 1992]

Light cone $n_+^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$ divergence!

- ✓ Off light-cone Wilson line $n_+^2 \neq 0$, still heavy quark field h_v

[Wang², Xu, Zhao, 2020; Xu, Zhang, 2022; Hu, Wang, Xu, Zhao, 2024]

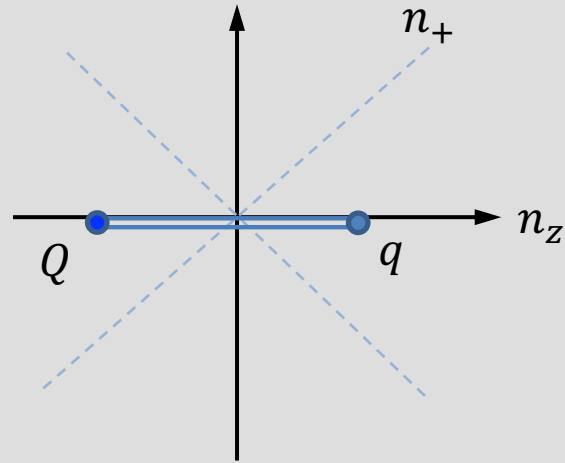
🤔 Difficult to realize on lattice QCD.

- ✓ No h_v : QCD heavy quark. \Rightarrow This work

[Han, Wang, Zhang, et.al, 2403.17492; Han, Wang, Zhang, Zhang, 2408.13486;
Deng, Wang, Wei, Zeng, 2409.00632]

A two-step factorization method

- Start from Quasi DA, calculable from LQCD

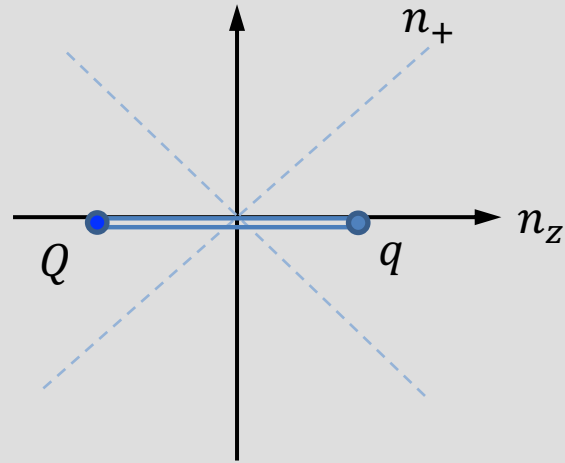


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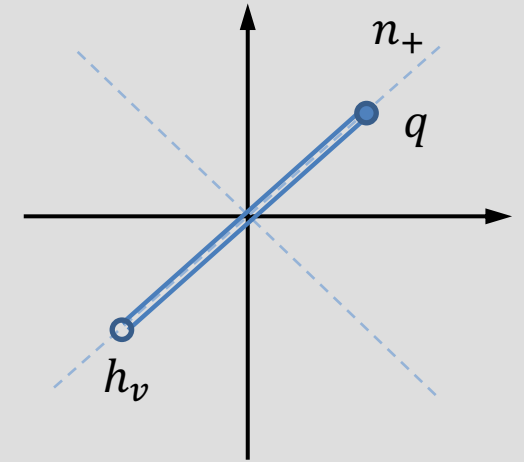
- The target is HQET LCDA: contains **HQET field** and **light-like correlation**



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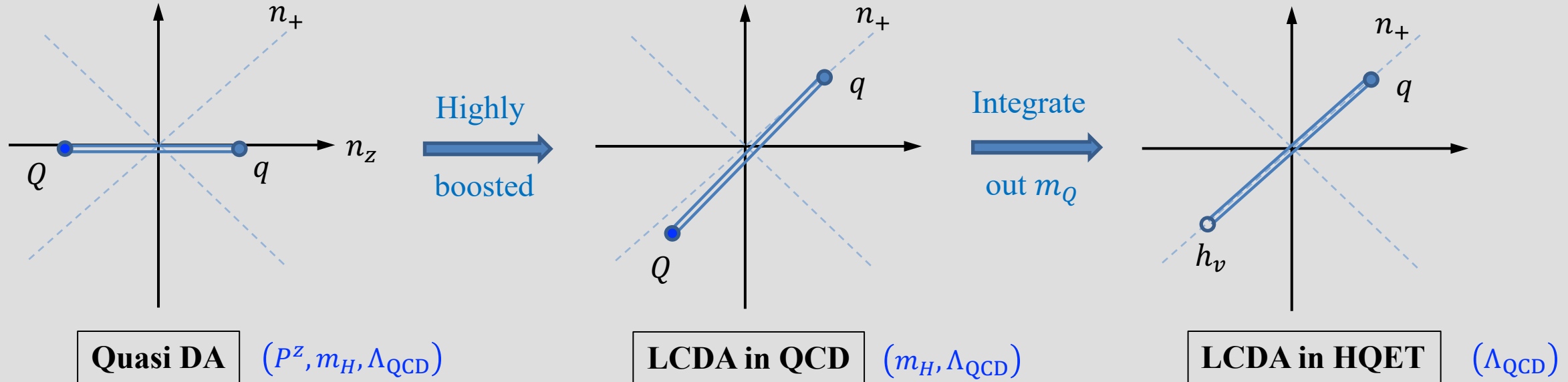
LCDA in HQET

(Λ_{QCD})

Need to **integrate out P^z and m_H** step by step \Rightarrow A two-step factorization

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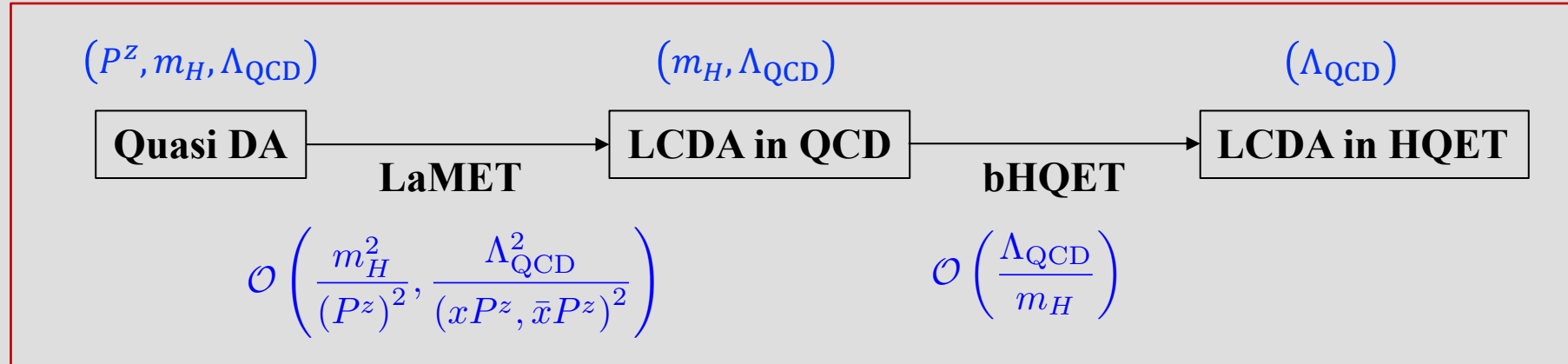
➤ A multi-scale process: **hierarchy** $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_H \ll P^Z$



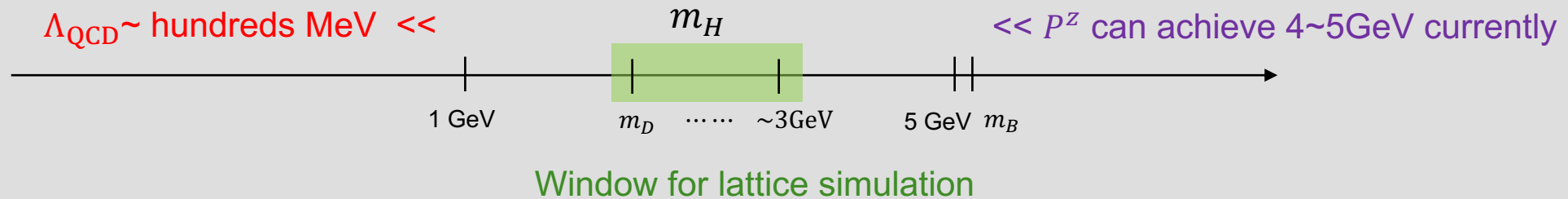
1. Assuming $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}, m_H \ll P^Z$ and integrate out $P^Z \Rightarrow$ LaMET [Ji, 2013; Ji, Liu², Zhang, Zhao, 2021]

2. Assuming $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_H$ and integrate out $m_H \Rightarrow$ bHQET [Ishaq, Jia, Xiong, Yang, 2020; Beneke, Finauri, Vos, Wei, 2023]

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⇒ **Hierarchy $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_H \ll P^z$** : Still a big challenge for lattice simulation



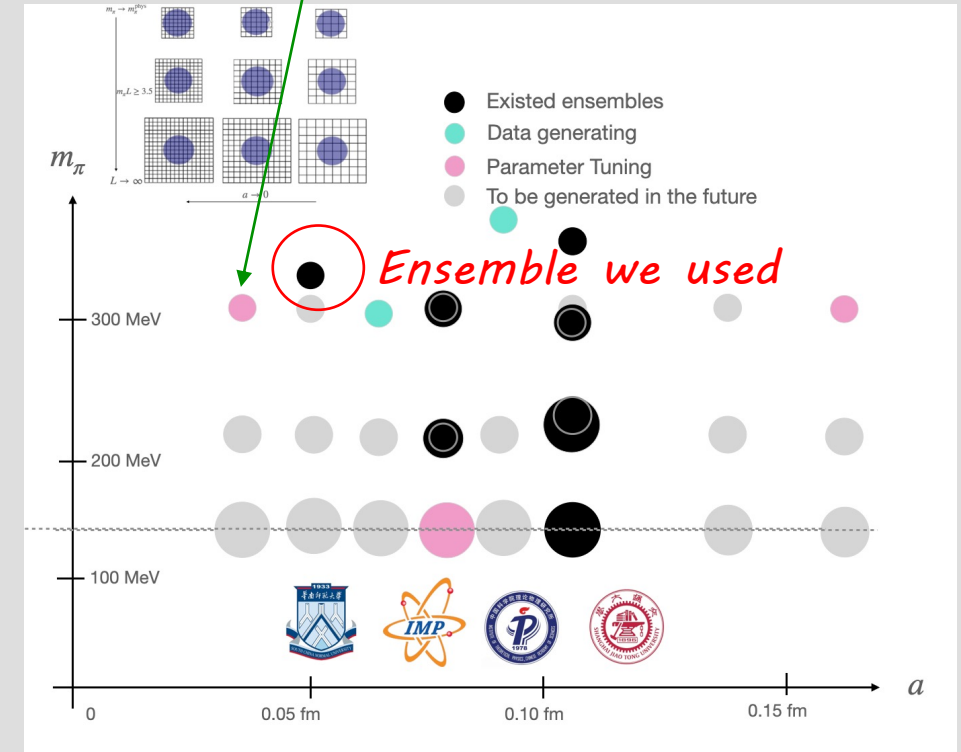
Lattice QCD verification

- Simulating on the **finest CLQCD ensemble**:

$$n_s^3 \times n_t = 48^3 \times 144, a \simeq 0.052 \text{ fm};$$

- $m_\pi \simeq 317 \text{ MeV}, m_D \simeq 1.92 \text{ GeV};$
- $P^Z = \{2.99, 3.49, 3.98\} \text{ GeV}$ up to about $4 \text{ GeV};$
- Dispersion relation consistent with the relativistic one up to possible **discretization error**;
- The state-of-the-art techniques in **renormalization and extrapolation** on the lattice are adopted.

We are looking forward to this finer one!



[Hu, et.al., 2004]

Matching I: from quasi DAs to LCDAs in QCD

- D meson quasi DA $\tilde{\phi}(x, P^z)$, include the scales $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \ll m_D \ll P^z$

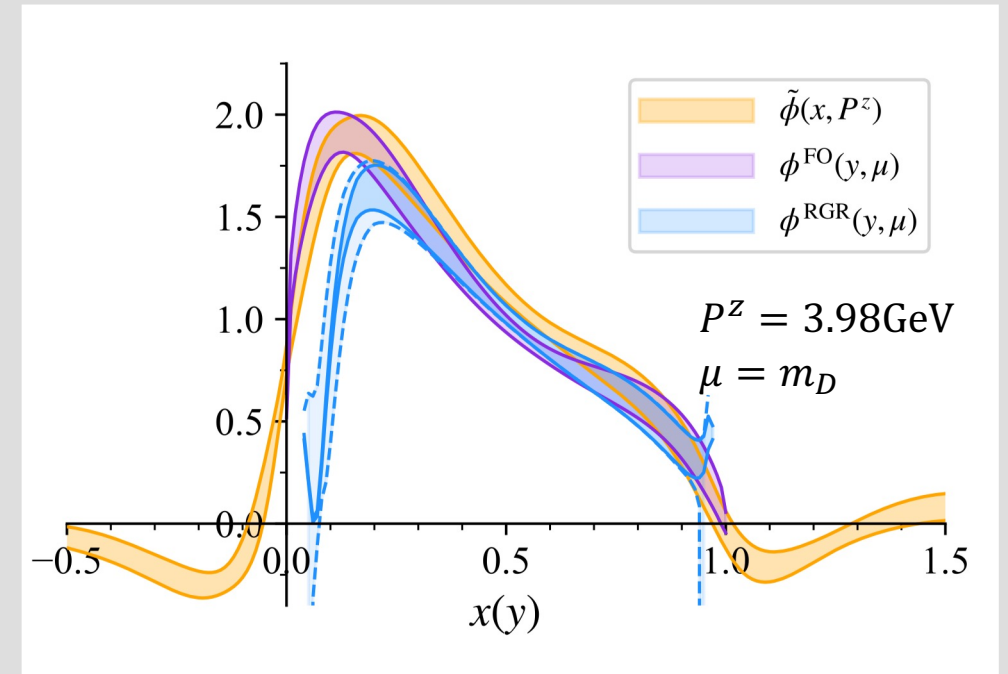
$$\tilde{\phi}(x, P^z) = \int \frac{dz}{2\pi} e^{-ixP^z z} \tilde{M}(z, P^z)$$

- Matching formula in LaMET:

$$\tilde{\phi}(x, P^z) = \int_0^1 C\left(x, y, \frac{\mu}{P^z}\right) \phi(y, \mu) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m_H^2}{(P^z)^2}, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{(xP^z, \bar{x}P^z)^2}\right)$$

Liu, Wang, Xu, QAZ, Zhao, 2019;
Han, Hua, Ji, Lu, Wang, Xu, QAZ, Zhao, 2024

- FO: matching from fixed-order perturbation theory;
- RGR: resumming the large logs in C by using the ERBL evolution equation.



Systematic error from RGR: scale variation of $\mu_0 = 2yP^z$ with factor 0.8-1.2.

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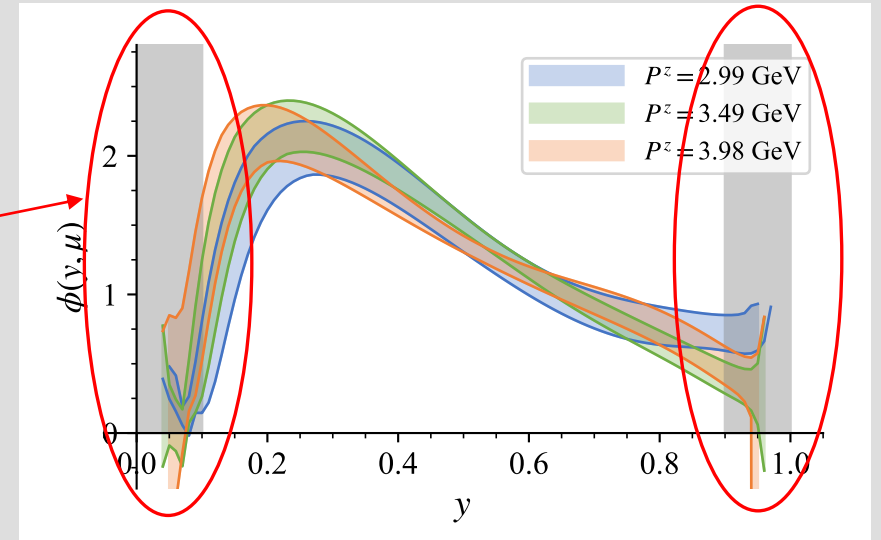
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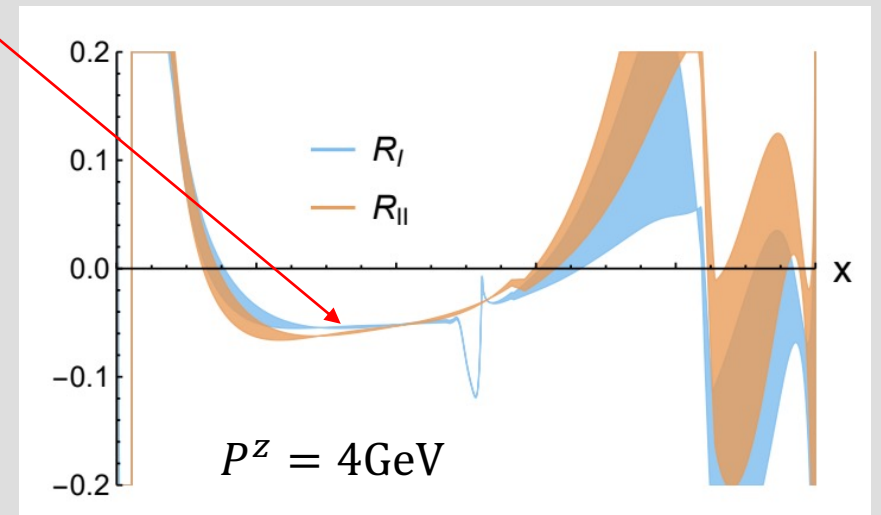
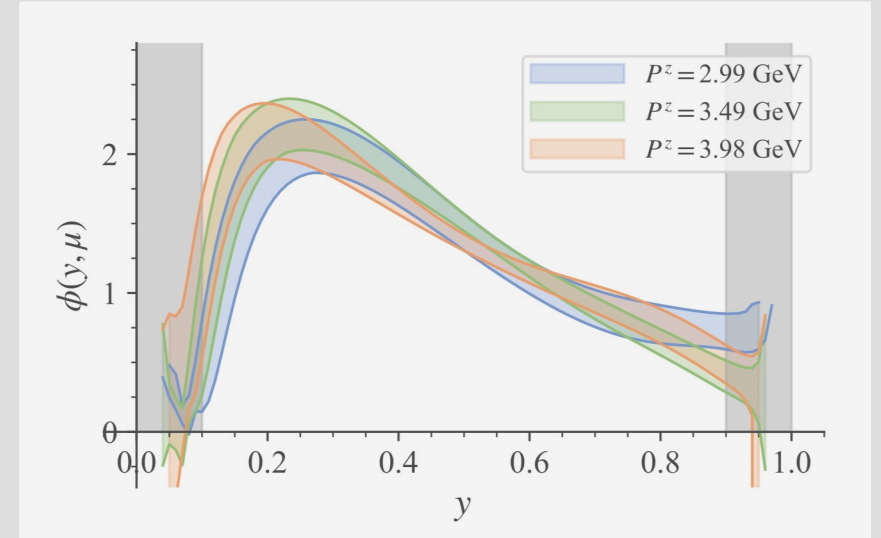
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- Mass correction $m_H^2/(P^z)^2$:

Smaller than 20% in most region, and smaller than 10%
in the region $y \in [0.1, 0.5]$

[Han, Wang, Zhang, Zhang, 2024]



Matching I: from quasi DAs to LCDAs in QCD

➤ The regions of QCD LCDA $\phi(y, \mu; m_H)$:

- The shape of curves dominated by m_H and μ .

At very large scale $\mu \gg m_H$, **asymptotic form**.

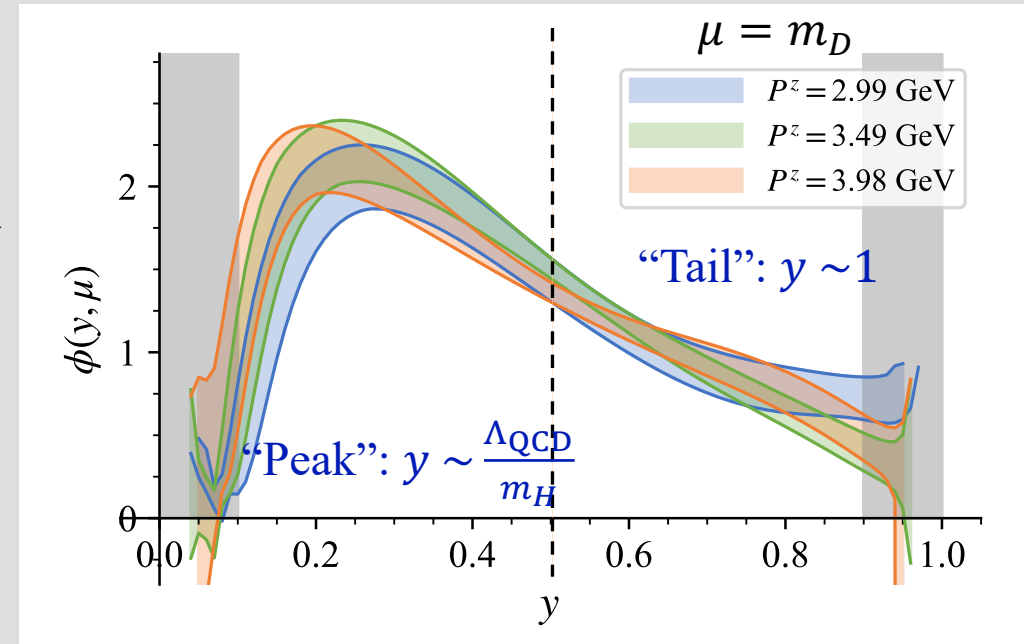
- For the scale $\mu \lesssim m_Q$:

Light quark carries small momentum fraction $y \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}/m_H$

⇒ **peak region**, related to the HQET LCDA;

[Ishaq, Jia, Xiong, Yang, 2020; Beneke, Finauri, Vos, Wei, 2023]

$y \sim O(1) \Rightarrow$ **tail region**, contain only hard-collinear physics, suppressed in LCDA.

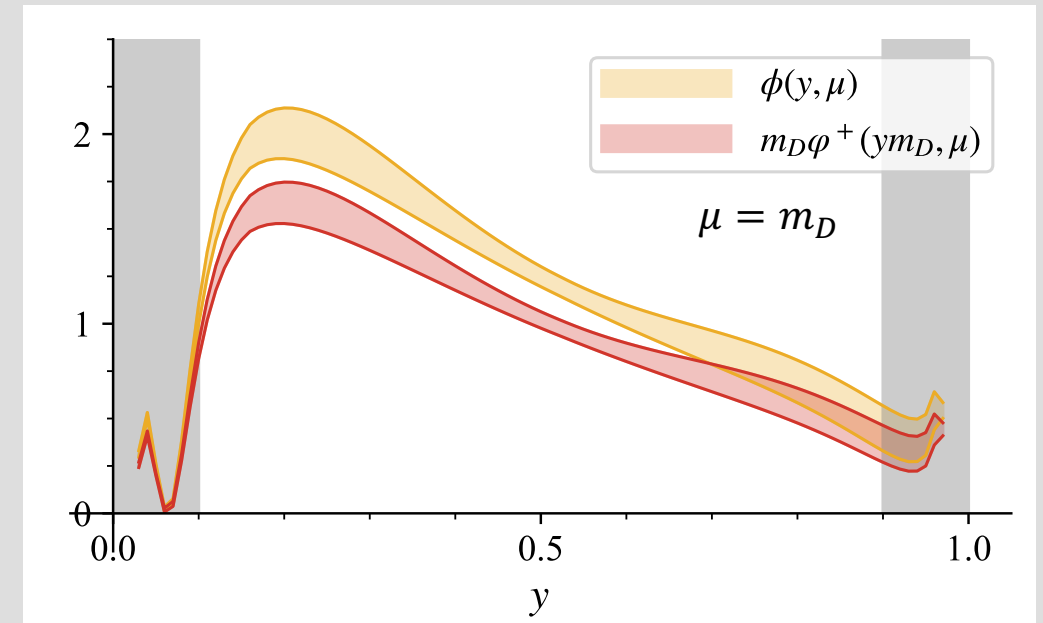


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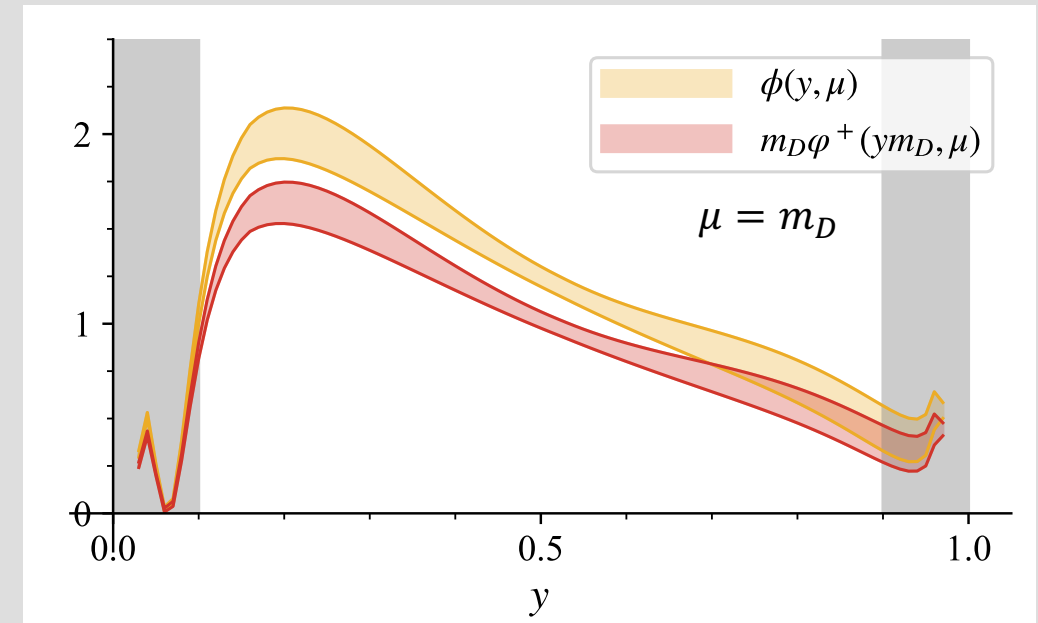
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- HQET LCDA is independent on heavy quark mass, $m_Q = m_b$ or m_c are same at leading power.
- For simulating the D meson, power correction

Λ_{QCD}/m_H still large:

A possible solution proposed in [Deng, Wang, Wei, Zeng, 2024]

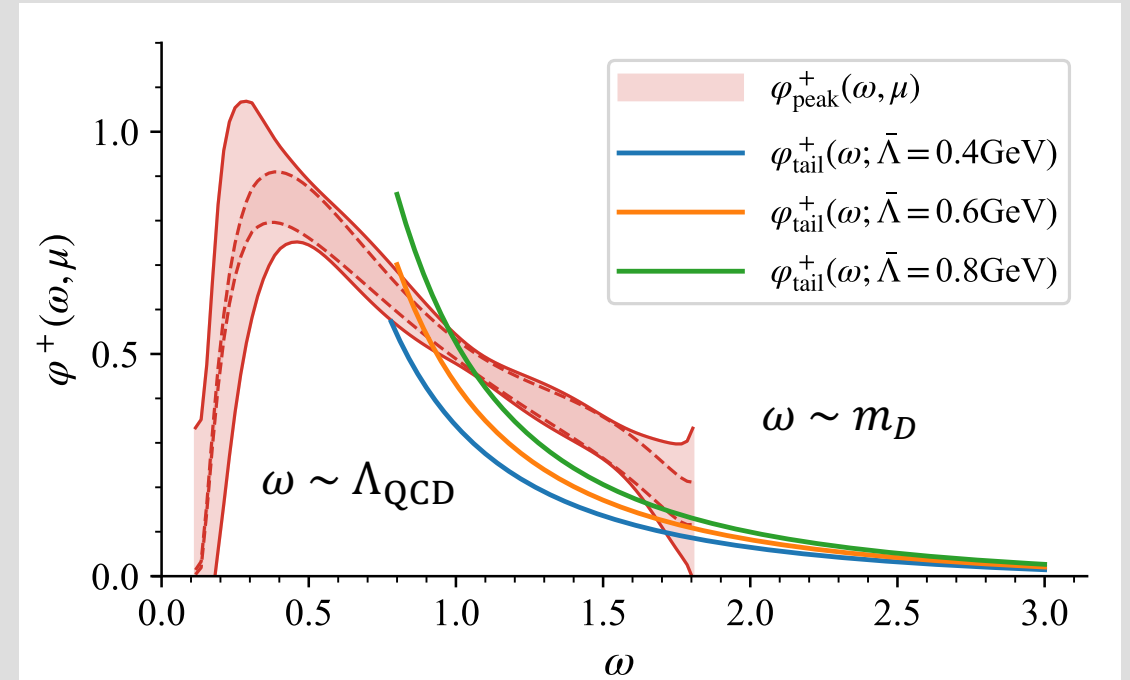


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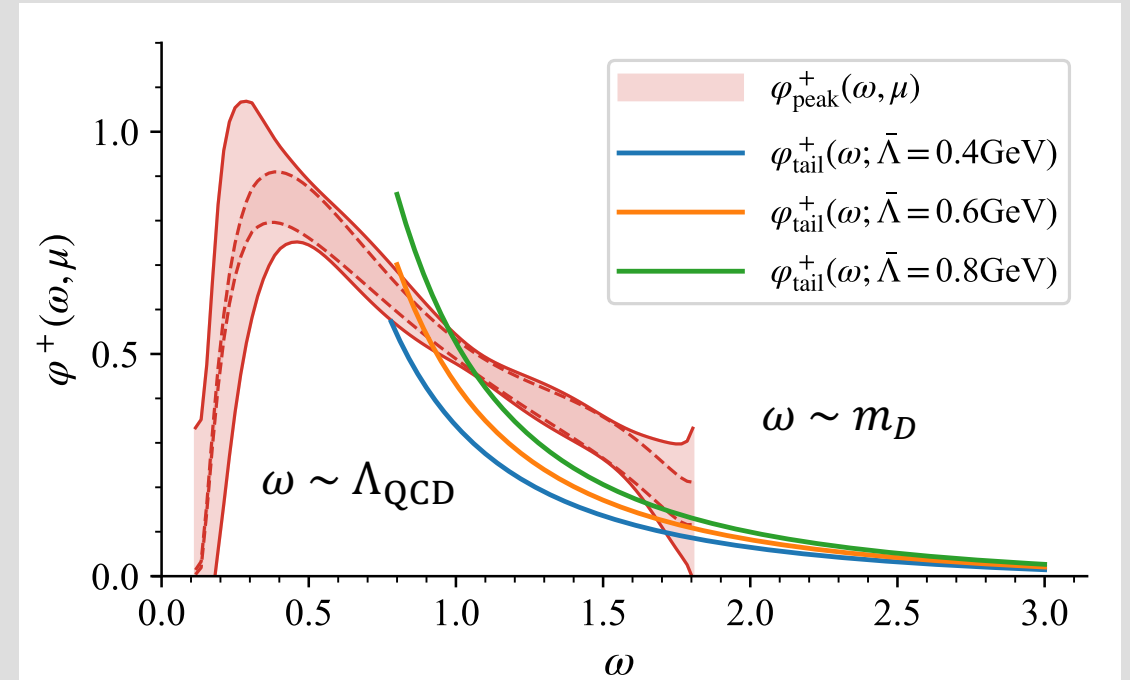
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- Merging the peak and tail region:

$$\varphi^+(\omega, \mu) = \varphi_{\text{peak}}^+(\omega, \mu)\theta(\omega_b - \omega) + \varphi_{\text{tail}}^+(\omega, \mu)\theta(\omega - \omega_b)$$

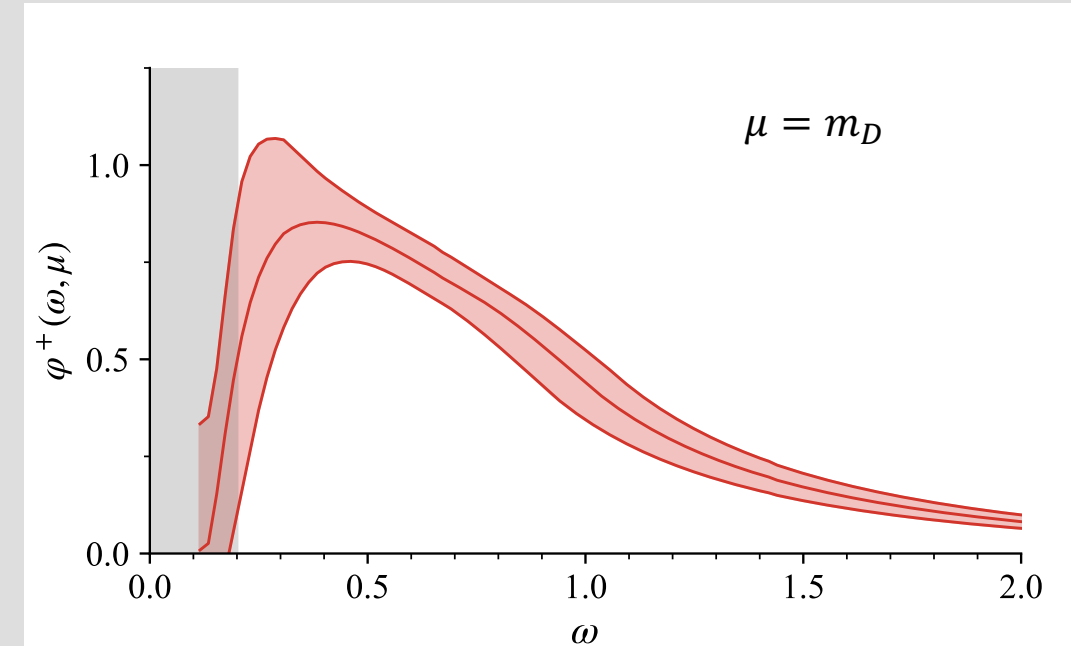


We joint the peak and tail region, and use the Savitzky-Golay

filter to smooth the data within a vicinity of $\delta = 0.05\text{GeV}$ around the intersection position ω_b .

Final result of leading twist HQET LCDA

- Finally, we obtain the final result of HQET LCDA.
 - Just a verification of the two-step factorization method, the numerical result is still **preliminary**.
 - Considered the systematic errors in lattice analysis:
 - From extrapolation, scale uncertainty in matching, large momentum limit,
 - Some key systematic errors are still absent:
 - Only one lattice spacing,
 - Power corrections within two matchings are still significant,



Although the current result is preliminary, it still warrants some phenomenological discussions...

Phenomenological Discussions I: comparison with models

➤ Models for heavy meson LCDAs

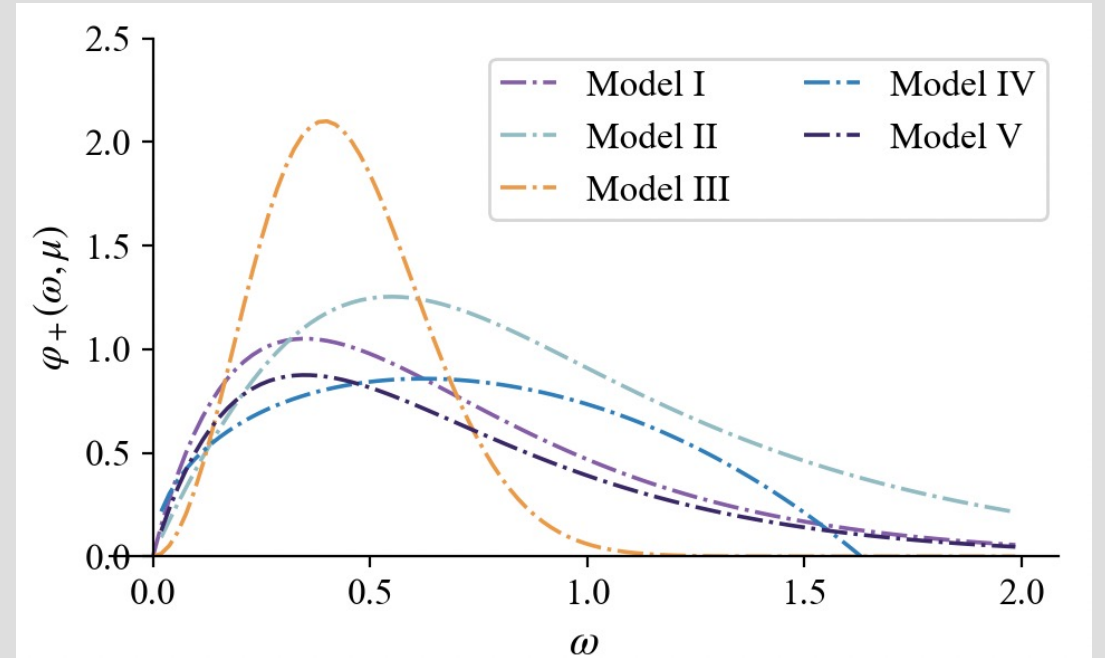
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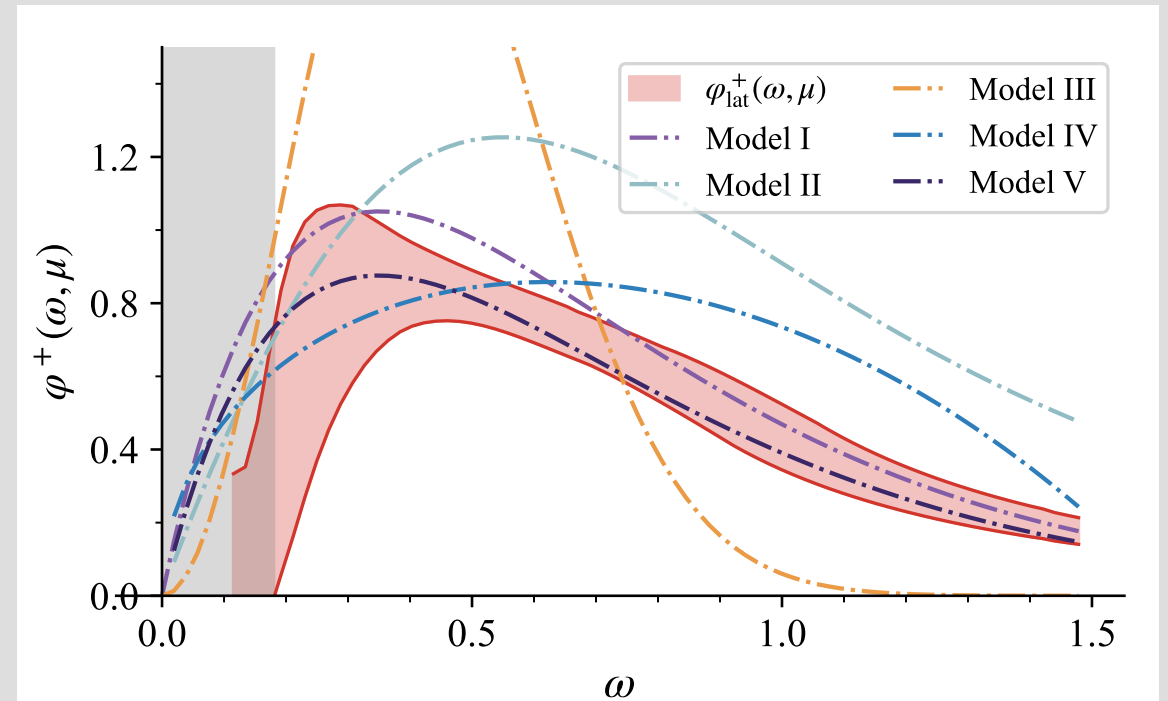
This leads to the largest systematic error:

[Gao, Lu, Shen, Wang, Wei, 2020]

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Pheno discussions I: Comparison with models

- Our results are consistent with the model estimates. Especially agree with model V, which constrained by the RG evolution of HQET LCDA.
- Result from first-principles of QCD will help to remove the primary uncertainties arising from the model parametrizations.



Pheno discussions II: Inverse and inverse-logarithmic moments

- Significant uncertainties from λ_B and σ_1 : *[Gao, Lu, Shen, Wang, Wei, 2020]*

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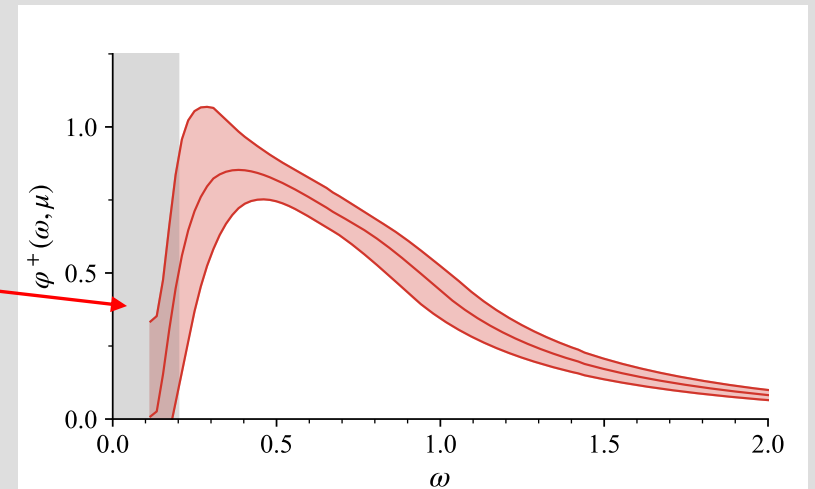
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The power corrections at small ω makes the integral non-computable.



Pheno discussions II: Inverse and inverse-logarithmic moments

➤ A model-independent parametrization form:

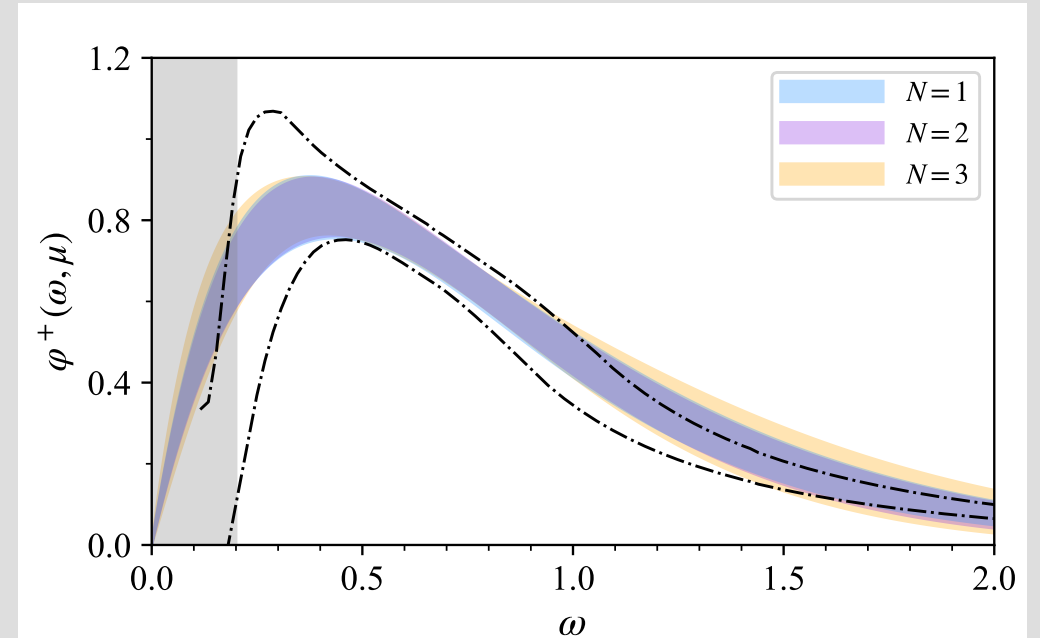
$$\begin{aligned}\varphi^+(\omega, \mu) &= \sum_{n=1}^N c_n \frac{\omega^n}{\omega_0^{n+1}} e^{-\omega/\omega_0} \\ &= \frac{c_1 \omega}{\omega_0^2} \left[1 + c'_2 \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} + c'_3 \left(\frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \right)^2 + \dots \right] e^{-\omega/\omega_0},\end{aligned}$$

Fit results of the N -th order:

$$N = 1 : \omega_0 = 0.403(44), \quad c_1 = 0.932(73);$$

$$N = 2 : \omega_0 = 0.352(82), \quad c_1 = 0.69(37), \\ c'_2 = 0.17(32);$$

$$N = 3 : \omega_0 = 0.32(15), \quad c_1 = 0.63(44), \\ c'_2 = 0.12(37), \quad c'_3 = 0.04(19).$$



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➤ Numerical results of λ_B and $\sigma_1^{(1)}$ at $\mu = 1\text{GeV}$:

		λ_B (GeV)	$\sigma_B^{(1)}$
Our results	$N=1$	0.389(35)	1.63(8)
	$N=2$	0.393(37)	1.62(7)
	$N=3$	0.381(59)	1.63(12)
Experiment	<i>Belle 2018</i>	> 0.24	
Other theoretical approach	<i>Khodjamirian, Mandal, Mannel, 2020</i>	0.383(153)	
	<i>Gao, Lu, Shen, Wang, Wei, 2020</i>	$0.343^{+0.064}_{-0.079}$	
	<i>Lee, Neubert, 2005</i>	0.48(11)	1.6(2)
	<i>Braun, Ivanov, Korchemsky, 2004</i>	0.46(11)	1.4(4)
	<i>Grozin, Neubert, 1997</i>	0.35(15)	
	<i>Mandal, Nandi, Ray, 2024</i>	0.338(68)	

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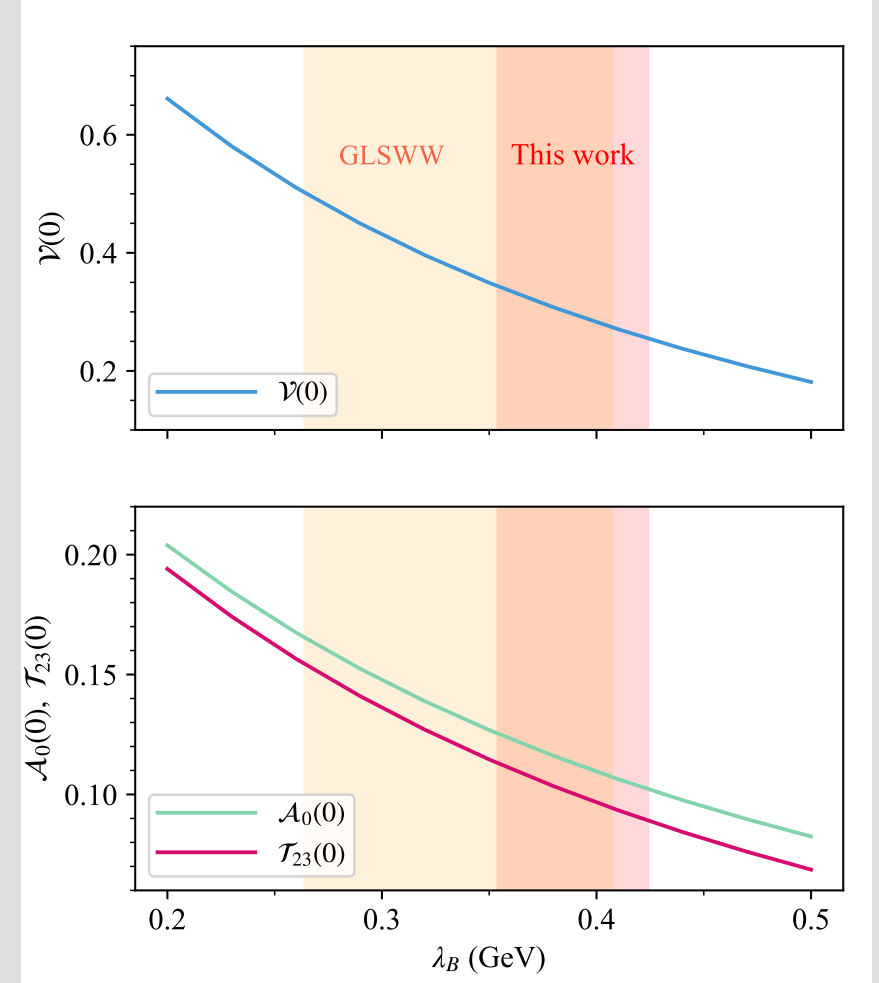
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- We are looking forward to a more precise analysis of the form factors and accordingly physical observables.

- **REDUCE** the errors from λ_B and $\sigma_B^{(n)}$;
- **REMOVE** the errors from model dependence.

$$\mathcal{V}_{B \rightarrow K^*}(0) = 0.359 \begin{array}{c} +0.141 \\ -0.085 \end{array} \Big|_{\lambda_B} \begin{array}{c} +0.019 \\ -0.019 \end{array} \Big|_{\sigma_1} \begin{array}{c} +0.001 \\ -0.062 \end{array} \Big|_{\mu}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} +0.010 \\ -0.004 \end{array} \Big|_{M^2} \begin{array}{c} +0.016 \\ -0.017 \end{array} \Big|_{s_0} \begin{array}{c} +0.153 \\ -0.079 \end{array} \Big|_{\varphi_{\pm}(\omega)},$$

Summary and outlook

- ✓ We present a first **lattice-implementable method** to extract the heavy meson LCDA, and implement it on a CLQCD ensemble.
- ✓ Although the results are **preliminary**, they can be **continually improved**.
- ✓ The phenomenological implications demonstrate that our results will significantly advance the theoretical studies towards the **frontier of high precision**.

More importantly, improving the reliability of our results for the next stage:

- How to properly control the power corrections within two step factorization?
- More systematic lattice QCD calculations: more a , larger P^Z , ...

Thanks for your attention!