

# Bringing near-physical QCD+QED calculations beyond the electro-quenched approximation

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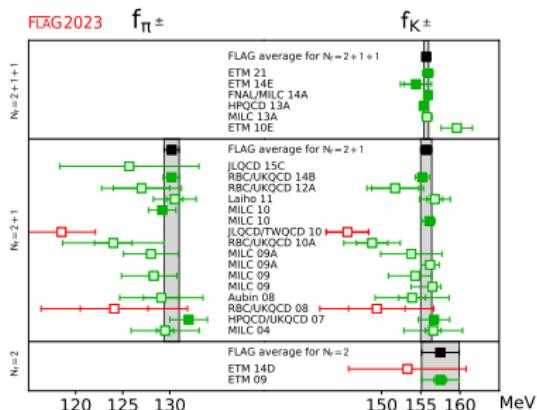
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# Motivation

- FLAG<sup>1</sup> reports averages for observables calculable from  $K \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}$ ,  $\pi \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}$  at a sub-percent level.
  - $N_f = 2 + 1$      $f_{\pi^\pm} = 130.2(0.8)$  MeV (0.61%)
  - $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$      $f_{K^\pm} = 155.7(0.3)$  MeV (0.19%)
  - $N_f = 2 + 1$      $f_{K^\pm} = 155.7(0.7)$  MeV (0.45%)
- These inform  $|V_{us}|/|V_{ud}|$ .



- Lattice results based on partial evaluation of first-order isospin-breaking corrections (or  $\chi$ PT).
- < 1% errors without a full *ab-initio* correction?

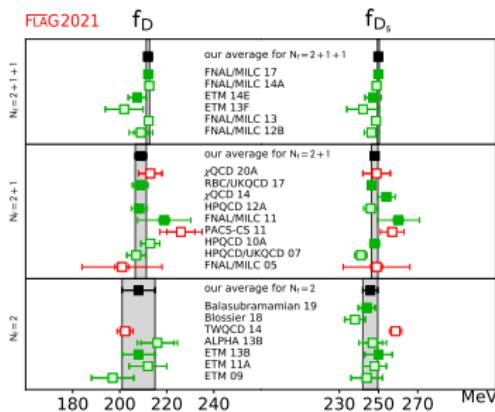
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<sup>1</sup> FLAG Review 2021 (February 2024 Revision), <http://flag.unibe.ch/2021/>

# Motivation

- Similar situation for  $D \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}$ ,  $D_s \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}$ .

- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$   $f_D = 212.0(0.7)$  MeV (0.33%)
- $N_f = 2 + 1$   $f_D = 209.0(2.4)$  MeV (1.15%)
- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$   $f_{D_s} = 249.9(0.5)$  MeV (0.2%)
- $N_f = 2 + 1$   $f_{D_s} = 248.0(1.6)$  MeV (0.65%)



- Important to include a complete *ab-initio* calculation of first-order isospin-breaking corrections.

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## Previous Work

Several published results addressing disconnected QED IB:

- *Electromagnetic Splittings and Light Quark Masses in Lattice QCD*  
Duncan *et al.* 1996 Phys. Rev. Lett. 76, 3894
- *Computing electromagnetic effects in fully unquenched QCD*  
Duncan *et al.* 2005 Phys. Rev. D 71, 094509
- *Full QED+QCD Low-Energy Constants through Reweighting*  
Ishikawa *et al.* 2012 Phys. Rev. Lett. 109, 072002
- *1+1+1 flavor QCD+QED simulation at the physical point*  
Aoki *et al.* 2012 Phys. Rev. D 86, 034507
- *Isospin splittings of meson and baryon masses from three-flavor lattice QCD + QED*  
Horsley *et al.* 2016 J. Phys. G: Nucl. Part. Phys. 43 10LT02

## Previous Work

Quark-disconnected  $O(\alpha)$  diagrams have also been calculated for  $g_\mu - 2$  HVP:

- *Leading hadronic contribution to the muon magnetic moment from lattice QCD*

Borsanyi *et al.* 2021 Nature 593, 51–55

- *High precision calculation of the hadronic vacuum polarisation contribution to the muon anomaly*

Boccaletti *et al.* 2024 [arXiv:2407.10913]

# Lattice Strategy: RM123 method

- Working at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ :  $m_u = m_d$ .
- Introduce IB effects using the RM123 method<sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup>:

- IB corrections via perturbative expansion in  $\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi}$ ,  $m$ .

$$\langle O \rangle = \langle O \rangle \Big|_{e=0} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (e^\phi)^2 \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial e} \frac{\partial}{\partial e} \langle O \rangle \right]_{e=0}}_{\text{QED IB}} + \underbrace{(m^\phi - m^{(0)}) \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial m} \langle O \rangle \right]_{e=0}}_{\text{Strong IB}} + \dots \quad (1)$$

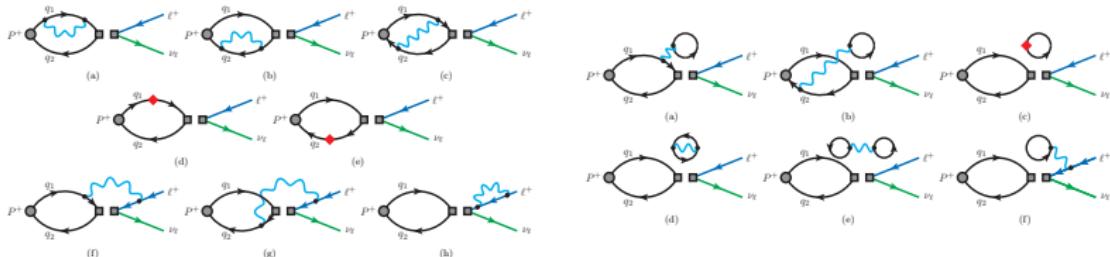
- IB corrections take the form of additional diagrams evaluated in the isospin-symmetric limit.
- $m^\phi$  = physical mass,  $m^{(0)}$  = simulation-point mass.

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<sup>1</sup> de Divitiis *et al.* JHEP 04 (2012) 124 [arXiv:1110.6294]

<sup>2</sup> de Divitiis *et al.* PRD 87 (2013) 114505 [arXiv:1303.4896]

# Lattice Strategy: Isospin-Breaking Corrections to $P \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}$



Diagrams from Boyle et al. JHEP 02 (2023) 242. Red diamonds: scalar insertions.

- Quark-connected contributions (left) to the isospin-breaking correction have been calculated for  $P \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}$  in lattice QCD<sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup>.
- Quark-disconnected contributions (right) omitted.
- Referred to as the “electro-quenched” approximation.
- Uncontrolled systematic.

<sup>1</sup> Di Carlo et al. PRD 100 (2019) 034514 [arXiv:1904.08731]

<sup>2</sup> Boyle et al. JHEP 02 (2023) 242 [arXiv:2211.12865]

# Lattice Strategy: Propagator Loops in Lattice QCD

- Quark-disconnected diagrams are difficult to estimate—loops given by factors like  $D^{-1}(x, x)$ .
- This requires one propagator solve per lattice site.  
→ Computationally infeasible.
- Instead stochastically estimate Dirac operator inverse using noise vectors  $\eta$  obeying

$$\langle \eta(y)\eta^\dagger(x) \rangle_\eta = \delta_{xy}, |\eta(x)|^2 = 1, \langle \eta(x) \rangle_\eta = 0, \quad (2)$$

where  $\langle \cdot \rangle_\eta$  is an average over  $\eta$ . This gives

$$D^{-1}(x, x) = \sum_y D^{-1}(x, y)\delta_{xy} \quad (3)$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{N_\eta} \sum_\eta \left( \sum_y D^{-1}(x, y)\eta(y) \right) \eta^\dagger(x). \quad (4)$$

# Lattice Strategy: EM Currents in the Isospin Limit

- $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  correlation function for operator  $O$ :

$$\sum_x \sum_y \langle J_\mu(x) A_\mu(x) J_\nu(y) A_\nu(y) O \rangle \quad (5)$$

- EM current insertions:  $J_\mu(x) = \sum_f Q_f \bar{\psi}_f(x) \gamma_\mu \psi_f(x)$ .
  - $2 + 1f$ : Consider sum over quark flavours  $f \in \{u, d, s\}$ .
  - $Q_f$ : EM charge (i.e.  $Q_u = 2/3$ ,  $Q_d = -1/3$ ,  $Q_s = -1/3$ ).
- $u$  and  $d$  terms sum in single-propagator loops.
  - Light and strange quarks equally-weighted; relative minus sign.
  - $\Rightarrow J_\mu(x) = 1/3 (\bar{\psi}_l(x) \gamma_\mu \psi_l(x) - \bar{\psi}_s(x) \gamma_\mu \psi_s(x)) A_\mu$ .
  - This leads to differences of single-propagator traces in several disconnected diagrams.

# Lattice Strategy: Split-Even Estimator

Giusti *et al.*<sup>1</sup> have demonstrated a successful variance-reduction strategy for differences of single-propagator loops:  
“split-even” estimators.

For e.g. Wilson, DWF Dirac Operators differing only by mass,

$$D_1^{-1} - D_2^{-1} = D_1^{-1} (D_2 - D_1) D_2^{-1}, \quad (6)$$

$$= (m_2 - m_1) D_1^{-1} D_2^{-1}. \quad (7)$$

Choice in how to stochastically estimate propagator traces:

“Standard”  $(m_2 - m_1) \text{Tr} \left\{ \gamma^\mu \left\{ D_1^{-1} D_2^{-1} \eta \right\} (x) \eta^\dagger (x) \right\}, \quad (8)$

“Split-Even”  $(m_2 - m_1) \text{Tr} \left\{ \gamma^\mu \left\{ D_1^{-1} \eta \right\} (x) \{ \eta^\dagger D_2^{-1} \} (x) \right\}, \quad (9)$

→ c.f. Raoul Hodgson 11:35 2nd August – Use in rare K decays

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<sup>1</sup> Giusti *et al.* EPJC 79, 586 (2019) [arXiv:1903.10447]

# Lattice Strategy: Ensemble Parameters

Current run performed on the RBC-UKQCD ‘C0’ ensemble.

- 2 + 1 flavour,  $L^3 \times T = 48^3 \times 96$ ,  $a^{-1} = 1.73$  GeV.
- Physical-scale light-, strange-quark masses.
- zMöbius Domain-Wall action.
  - Cheaper than Möbius DWF; requires bias correction step.
  - Accumulate statistics on cheaper zMöbius estimator.
- Light quarks deflated with 2000 low modes.
- Following techniques developed on non-physical mass ‘C1’ ensemble for quark-disconnected diagrams (Harris *et al.*<sup>1</sup>)

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Runs also planned on the ‘M0’ ensemble.

- 2+1 flavour,  $L^3 \times T = 64^3 \times 128$ ,  $a^{-1} = 2.36$  GeV.
- Same physical volume as C0.
- Also at physical-scale light-, strange-quark masses.

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<sup>1</sup>Harris *et al.* PoS LATTICE2022 (2023) 013 [arXiv:2301.03995]

# Lattice Strategy: Photon Action

- Finite volume + periodic boundary conditions:  
→ Charged states forbidden by Gauss' Law.
- Need to choose a QED prescription.
  - $\text{QED}_L$ : Remove spatial zero-mode<sup>1</sup>.  
→ Can express as a special case of  $\text{QED}_L^{\text{IR}}$ <sup>2</sup>  
→ Large finite-volume effects at  $\mathcal{O}(1/L^3)$  for  $K \rightarrow \ell\bar{\nu}$ ?<sup>3</sup>
  - $\text{QED}_r$ : Redistribute zero-mode to neighbouring modes<sup>4 5</sup>.  
→ Investigated to remove  $\mathcal{O}(1/L^3)$  finite-volume effects  
→ Also a particular case of  $\text{QED}_L^{\text{IR}}$   
→ Used for this project.

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<sup>1</sup> Hayakawa and Uno, PTP 120 (2008) 413 [arXiv:0804.2044]

<sup>2</sup> Davoudi *et al.* PRD 99 (2019) 034510 [arXiv:1810.05923]

<sup>3</sup> Boyle *et al.* JHEP02(2023)242 arXiv: [2211.12865]

<sup>4</sup> Di Carlo, PoS LATTICE2023 (2024) 120 [arXiv:2401.07666]

<sup>5</sup> Hermansson-Truedsson *et al.*, PoS LATTICE2023 (2024) 265 [arXiv:2310.13358]

# Lattice Strategy: Software

- Calculation performed with **Grid**<sup>1</sup>, and the Grid-based workflow management software **Hadrons**<sup>2</sup>.
- Split-even and quark-disconnected diagram contractions implemented as Hadrons modules (code review TBC).
- Thanks to Antonin Portelli, Raoul Hodgson, and Tim Harris for assisting with code development.

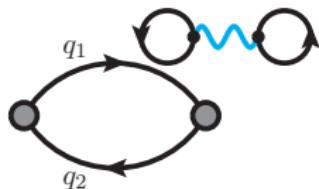


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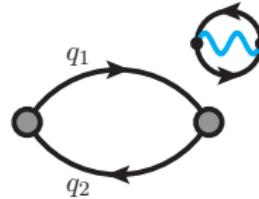
<sup>1</sup> <https://github.com/paboyle/Grid>

<sup>2</sup> <https://github.com/aportelli/Hadrons>

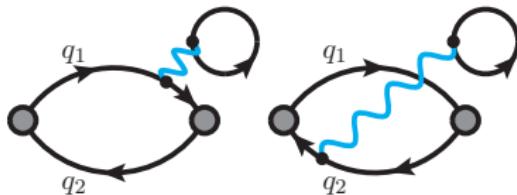
# $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$ Quark-Disconnected Diagrams for $P \rightarrow P$



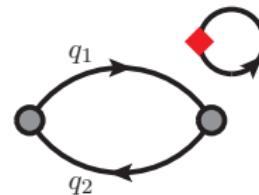
'Specs' diagram



'Burger' diagram



Tadpole diagram

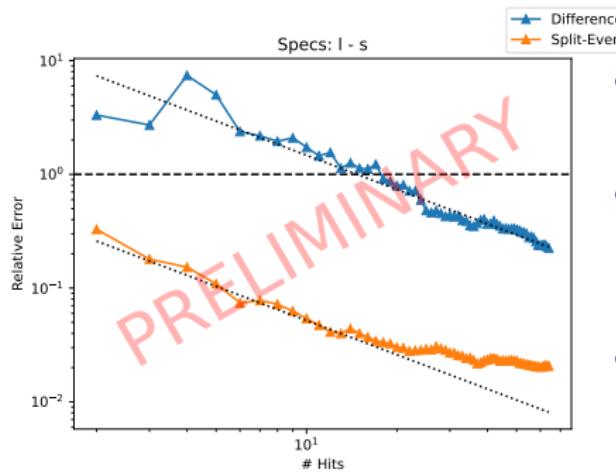
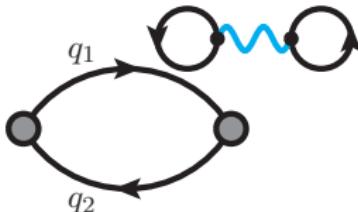


Sea-loop diagram

[Schematics courtesy of Matteo Di Carlo.]

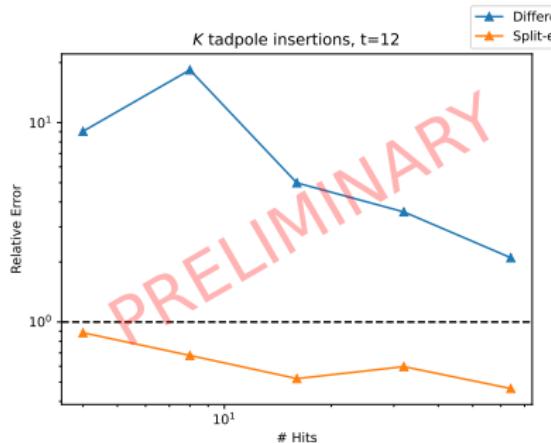
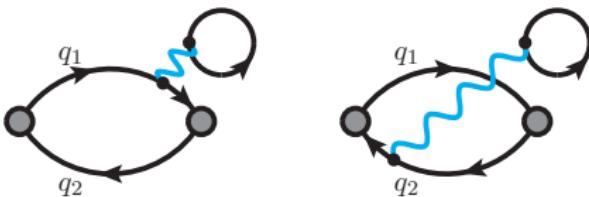
# Specs error analysis

- Specs subdiagram contains two  $l - s$  loops.
- Can be computed as a difference of propagators or with the split-even estimator.



- Left: error scaling of specs **subdiagram**.
- Significant reduction in error with the split-even estimator.
- Reaching the gauge noise with  $\sim 32$  Z2 noise hits.

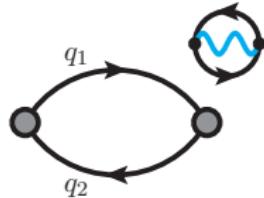
# Tadpole error analysis



- Tadpole diagrams also feature an  $/ - s$  loop.
- **Left:** Relative error of the kaon tadpole diagrams.
- Once again, the split-even estimator significantly reduces the error.

# Burger error analysis

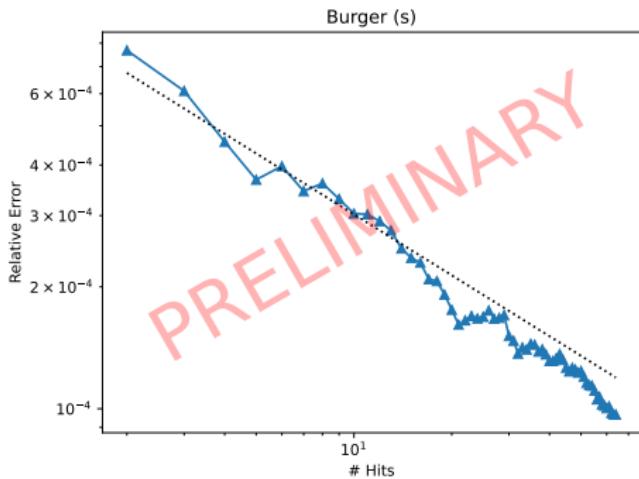
- 'Burger' diagram  $\rightarrow$  same flavour in both propagators.
- $e_q^2 \rightarrow$  no relative cancellation between diagrams.
- 'Burger' diagram falls off exponentially with propagator separation  $\Rightarrow$  short-distance dominated.
- Prior study on non-physical mass 'C1' ensemble (Harris *et al.*<sup>1</sup>): concentrate computational effort on short-distance behaviour.
  - Volume-averaged stochastic estimation of all-to-all propagators within a radius  $|x - y| < R$ .
  - Random point sources for  $|x - y| \geq R$ .



<sup>1</sup> Harris *et al.* PoS LATTICE2022 (2023) 013 [arXiv:2301.03995]

# Burger error analysis

- **Right:** Error scaling of the strange burger **subdiagram** ( $R=4$ ).
- Volume-averaging strategy provides an efficient method for obtaining a small error.
- Not yet at gauge noise with 64 hits.



# Summary

- Quark-disconnected QED IB corrections are challenging, but important to quantify.
- Diagrams at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  have exploitable characteristics:
  - Precision of ‘Specs’ and Tadpole diagrams can be greatly improved with the split-even estimator.
  - ‘Burger’ diagram is short-distance dominated.
- Findings at non-physical masses reproduced on a physical-point ensemble.
- Building towards a physical-point electro-unquenched calculation of  $P \rightarrow \ell\nu$ .

Backup

## FLAG $f_{\pi^\pm}$ , $f_{K^\pm}$ Citation List

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Carrasco *et al.* PRD 91 (2015) 054507  
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Blum *et al.* PRD 93 (2016) 074505  
Durr *et al.* PRD 95 (2017) 054513  
Bornyakov *et al.* PLB 767 (2017) 366–373  
Blossier *et al.* JHEP 07 (2009) 043

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Carrasco *et al.* JHEP 03 (2014) 016  
Davies *et al.* PRD 82 (2010) 114504  
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