

Electroweak Radiative Corrections & CKM Unitarity

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Outline

1. Early History at a Glance
2. Muon vs Neutron Decay
3. CKM Unitarity
4. Dispersion Relation (DR) Approach (2018)

Seng, Gorchtein, Patel, Ramsey-Musolf (PRL2018)

$$\Delta^V_R = 0.02361(38) \rightarrow \mathbf{0.02467(22)}$$

Universal (Inner) Radiative Correction

5. CMS Update $\Delta^V_R = \mathbf{0.02428(32)}$
6. Implications for the Neutron Lifetime

EW Radiative Corrections Some Pioneering Work

R. Behrends, R. Finkelstein & A. Sirlin (1956)

S. Berman (1958)

T. Kinoshita & A. Sirlin (1959) **60th Anniversary**

S. Berman & A. Sirlin (1962)

J. D. Bjorken (1966)

E. Abers, R. Norton & D. Dicus (1967)

A. Sirlin (1967) **Classic**

1967 EW Unification – Renormalizable (1972)

A. Sirlin (1974) RC to Neutron Beta Decay

Beginning of a new era

Muon vs Neutron Decay

Muon Lifetime = $2.1969803(22) \times 10^{-6} \text{s}$

$$G_{\mu} = 1.1663787(6) \times 10^{-5} \text{GeV}^{-2}$$

$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ Standard Model Electroweak Radiative Corrections to $\mu \rightarrow e \nu_e \nu_{\mu}$ and $n \rightarrow p e \nu_e$ both Infinite but renormalized using ($G_F^0 \rightarrow G_{\mu}$)

Quark mixing divergences absorbed in $V_{ud}^0 \rightarrow V_{ud}$ maintaining Unitarity

The CKM Quark Mixing Matrix:

$$V^{\text{CKM}} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} \quad 3 \times 3 \text{ Unitary Matrix}$$

$$\text{Unitarity} \rightarrow |V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 1$$

Real “Apparent” Deviation from 1 Implies “New Physics”

Short-distance behavior of μ and β decays differ due to weak hypercharges of μ_L ($Y=-1$) and d_L ($Y=+1/3$)

Nevertheless, the ratio of τ_n and τ_μ is finite !

- Muon Decay $\Gamma_0(\mu \rightarrow e\nu\nu) = F(m_e^2/m_\mu^2) G_F^0{}^2 m_\mu^5 / 192\pi^3 = 1/\tau_\mu^0$
- Neutron Decay $\Gamma_0(n \rightarrow p e \nu) = f G_F^0{}^2 |V_{ud}^0|^2 m_e^5 (1 + 3g_A^2) / 2\pi^3 = 1/\tau_n^0$

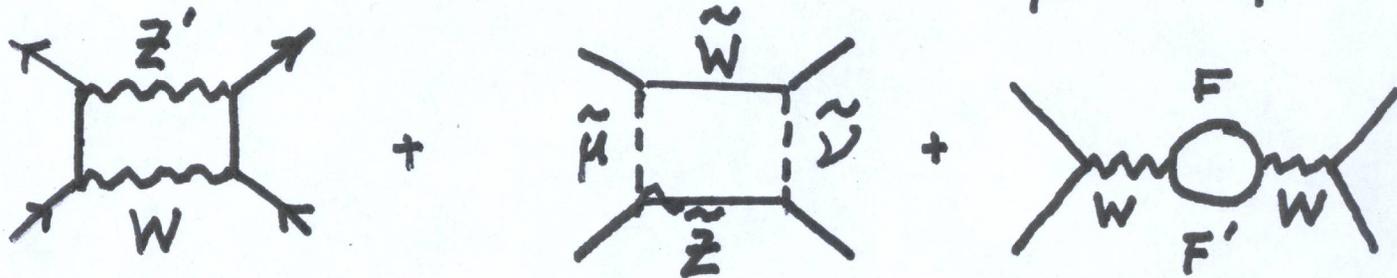
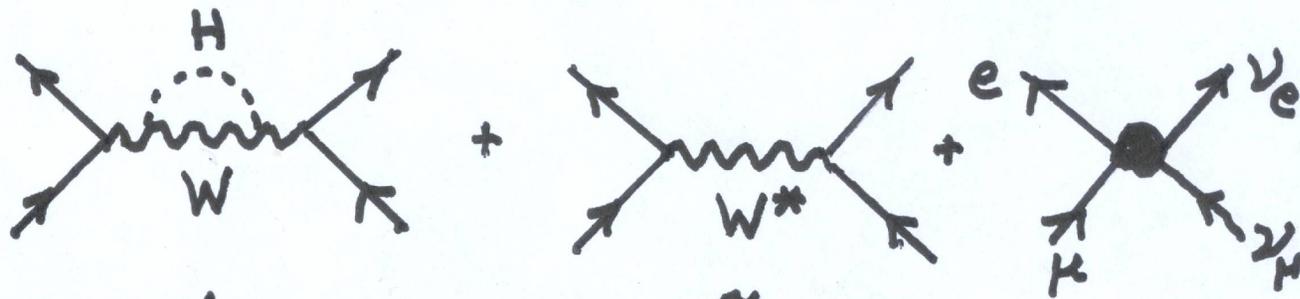
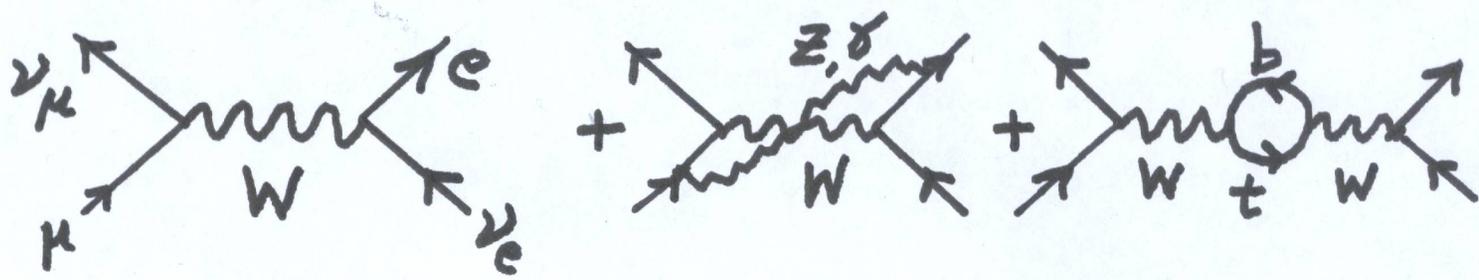
$F(x) = 1 - 8x + 8x^3 - x^4 - 12x^2 \ln x$ Phase Space Factor

$f = 1.6887(1)$ phase space factor Fermi function ($\sim 3.6\%$),
proton recoil, finite nucleon size... Uncertainty $< 10^{-4}$

g_A and τ_n important for Unitarity test, solar neutrino flux, primordial abundances, spin content of proton, Goldberger-Treiman/Muon Capture, Bjorken Sum Rule, lattice benchmark...

Must be precisely determined!

Loop and Tree Level Corrections to Muon Decay



Z' Boson

SUSY

Technicolor

+ . . .

Electroweak Radiative Corrections to Neutron Beta Decay

Include Virtual Corrections + Inclusive Bremsstrahlung

Normalize using G_μ from the muon lifetime

Absorbs Ultraviolet Divergences & some finite parts

$$1/\tau_n = f G_\mu^2 |V_{ud}|^2 m_e^5 (1+3g_A^2) (1+RC) / 2\pi^3$$

f=1.6887(1) (Includes Fermi Function)

RC calculated for (Conserved) Vector Current since it is not renormalized by strong interaction at zero momentum transfer.

Same RC used to **define** g_A : [$A(g_A) = (1.001)A^{\text{exp}}$]

$$RC = \alpha/2\pi [\langle g(E_m) \rangle + 3\ln(m_Z/m_p) + \ln(m_Z/m_A) + 2C + A_{\text{QCD}}]$$

$$\Delta^V_R = \alpha/2\pi [3\ln(m_Z/m_p) + \ln(m_Z/m_A) + 2C + A_{\text{QCD}}] \text{ "Inner"}$$

+ higher order

$g(E_e) = \text{Universal Function (1967 Sirlin)}$

$\alpha/2\pi \langle g(E_m=1.292581\text{MeV}) \rangle = 0.015035$ long distance loops and brem.
averaged over the decay spectrum. Independent of Strong Int. up to $O(E_e/m_p)$
 $g(E_e)$ also applies to Nuclei A. Sirlin (1967)

$3\alpha/2\pi \ln(m_Z/m_p)$ short-distance (Vector) log **not** renormalized by strong int.

$[\alpha/2\pi [\ln(m_Z/m_A) + 2C + A_{\text{QCD}}]]$ Induced by axial-current loop

Includes hadronic uncertainty

$m_A = 1.2\text{GeV}$ long/short distance matching scale (factor 2 unc.)

$C = 0.8g_A(\mu_N + \mu_p) = 0.891$ (long distance γW Box diagram) 1986

$A_{\text{QCD}} = -\alpha_s/\pi(\ln(m_Z/m_A) + \text{cons}) = -0.34$ QCD Correction

$[\alpha/\pi \ln(m_Z/m)]^n$ leading logs summed via renormalization group,

Next to leading short distance logs ~ -0.0001 ,

and $-\alpha^2 \ln(m_p/m_e) = -0.00043$ estimated (for neutron decay)

Czarnecki, WJM, Sirlin (2004) $1 + \text{RC} = \underline{1.0390(8)}$ main unc. from m_A

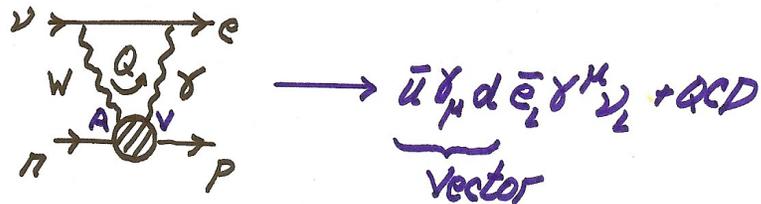
matching short and long distance γW (VA) Box

DR Currently give $1 + \text{RC} = 1.0399(2)$

The Infamous γW Box Diagram

Weak Axial-Vector Induced Radiative Corrections

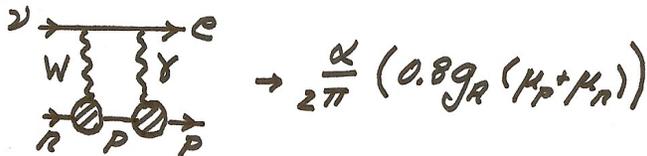
AV Loop $\rightarrow V \rightarrow$ Superallowed B-decays



$$RC = \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} \int_0^\infty dQ^2 \frac{\pi_W^2}{Q^2 + \pi_W^2} F(Q^2)$$

Large Q^2 $F(Q^2) = \frac{1}{Q^2} \left[1 - \frac{\alpha_s(Q^2)}{\pi} + \dots \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{Q^4}\right)$

Small $Q^2 \rightarrow$ Nucleon Form Factors



$$\frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \left\{ \ln \frac{\mu_n}{\mu_p} + \underbrace{R_g}_{\text{QCD}} + \underbrace{ZC}_{\text{Long Distance}} \right\} \quad m_R = \text{matching}$$

2006 Improvement WJM & A. Sirlin

1.) Use large N_{QCD} Interpolator to connect long-short distances

2.) Relate neutron beta decay to Bjorken Sum Rule ($N_F=3$)

$$1 - \alpha_s/\pi \rightarrow 1 - \alpha_s(Q^2)/\pi - 3.583(\alpha_s(Q^2)/\pi)^2 - 20.212(\alpha_s(Q^2)/\pi)^3 - 175.7(\alpha_s(Q^2)/\pi)^4 \quad (\text{Baikov, Chetyrkin and Kuhn})$$

The extra QCD corrections lead to a matching between short and long distance corrections at about $Q^2=1.08\text{GeV}^2$

$1 + \text{RC} = 1.0390(8) \rightarrow \underline{1.03886(39)}$ for Neutron Beta Decay

Reduction by 1.4×10^{-4} (Same for $0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ beta decays)

RC Error Budget

- 1) Neglected Two Loop Effects: **± 0.0001** conservative
- 2) Long Distance $\alpha/\pi C \sim \alpha/\pi (0.75g_A(\mu_N + \mu_P)) = 0.0020$
Assumed Uncertainty $\pm 10\% \rightarrow$ **± 0.0002** reasonable?
- 3) Long-Short Distance Loop Matching: $0.8\text{GeV} < Q < 1.5\text{GeV}$
 $\pm 100\%$ \rightarrow **± 0.0003** conservative

Total RC Error **± 0.00038** $\rightarrow \Delta V_{ud} = \pm 0.00019$

More Aggressive Analysis $\rightarrow \Delta V_{ud} = \pm 0.00013$

(1/2 conservative)

Superaligned ($0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$) Beta Decays & V_{ud}

RC same as in Neutron Decay but with $g(E_m)$ averaged Nuclear decay spectrum, C modified by Nucleon-Nucleon Interactions and $+Z \alpha^2 \ln(m_p/m_e)$ corrections (opposite sign from neutron)

$$ft = |V_{ud}|^2 (2984.5s) (1 + \Delta^V_R) (1 + NP \text{ corr.})$$

**Nuclear Physics (NP) isospin breaking effects
(Hardy & Towner Calculations)**

ft values + RC for 13 precisely measured nuclei found to be consistent with CVC: Average $\rightarrow V_{ud}$

Superaligned Nuclear Beta Decays

RC Uncertainty-Same as Neutron Decay

Nuclear Unc. - Significantly Reduced (2006-08)

Nuclear Coulomb Corrections Improved

$$|V_{ud}| = \underline{0.97425(11)}_{\text{Nuc}}(19)_{\text{RC}}$$

(2008 Hardy and Towner Update)

(0.97418((13)(14)(19) in PDG08)

(0.97377(11)(15)(19) in PDG06)

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The Kaon Revolution of 2004-2005

(Starting with BNL E865) +FNAL, Frascati & CERN

BR(K→πeν) increased by ~6%!

All Major K_L BRs Changed! ϵ_K changed by 3.7σ!

Now Based on: $\Gamma(K\rightarrow\pi l\nu)_{\text{exp}}$ & $\Gamma(K\rightarrow\mu\nu)/\Gamma(\pi\rightarrow\mu\nu)_{\text{exp}}$
+ Lattice Matrix Elements $f_+(0)=0.960(5)$ & $f_K/f_\pi=1.193(6)$

2010 Flavianet Analysis:

$|V_{us}|=\underline{0.2253(13)}$ from K→πlν **Vector**

$|V_{us}|=\underline{0.2252(13)}$ from K→μν **Axial-Vector**

$|V_{us}|=\underline{0.2253(9)}$ **Kaon Average** (was ~0.220 pre 2004)

(Watch for lattice updates)

2018 STATUS of CKM Unitarity

$$V_{ud} = 0.97420(10)_{\text{exp.,nucl.}}(18)_{\text{RC}} \text{ (superallowed) ,}$$

$$V_{us} = 0.2238(4)_{\text{exp+RC}}(6)_{\text{lattice}} \text{ (K}_{l3} \text{ decays)}$$

$$V_{us} = 0.2253(7) \text{ (K}_{\mu 2}/\pi_{\mu 2} \text{ decays)}$$

$$\text{Average } V_{us} = 0.2243(9) \quad S=1.8$$

$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2 = 0.9994(4)_{Vud}(4)_{Vus} \\ = \underline{0.9994(6)}$$

Good Agreement With Unitarity

Seng, Gorchtein, Patel & Ramsey–Musolf
PRL (2018)

“Reduced Hadronic Uncertainties in the
determination of V_{ud} ”

Radiative Corrections: Axial Induced part via
Dispersion Relation.

$$\mathbf{2006 \quad \Delta^V_R = 0.02361(38) \rightarrow 0.02467(22)}$$

$$|V_{ud}| = 0.97420(21) \rightarrow 0.97370(14)$$

$$|V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 = 0.9994(4)(4) \rightarrow 0.9984(3)(4)$$

3 sigma deviation from unitarity

“New Physics”?

Comment on CKM Unitarity

- Most believable: $K_{\mu 2}/\pi_{\mu 2}$ & F_K/F_π lattice
- $|V_{us}|/|V_{ud}|=0.2313(5)$ plus
- $|V_{ud}|^2+|V_{us}|^2+|V_{ub}|^2=1$
- $V_{ud}=0.97427(11)$ $V_{us}=0.2254(4)$

- $|V_{ud}|^2+|V_{us}|^2+|V_{ub}|^2=0.9984(5)$
- $V_{ud}=0.9735(2)$ $V_{us}=0.2252(4)$
- “New Physics” in V_{ud}

Update with A. Czarnecki & A. Sirlin (CMS)

Radiative Corrections to Neutron Decay

Preliminary Update

	MS(2006)	SGPR-M(2018)	CMS(2019)
RC =	3.886(38)%	3.992(22)%	3.949(32)%
$\Delta^V_R =$	2.361(38)%	2.467(22)%	2.428(32)%
$V_{ud} =$	0.97420(21)	0.97370(14)	0.97389(18)

****Seng, Gorchtein, Ramsey-Musolf*** **Nuclear Quenching**
(0.97392)* ***(0.97411)****

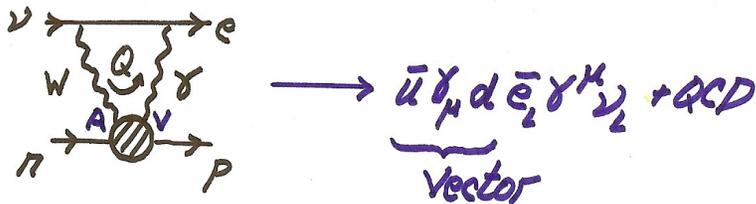
My Guess $V_{ud}=0.97427(11)$, $\tau_n = 878.2(7)$ sec

Based on V_{us} via $K_{\mu 2}/\pi_{\mu 2}$ (very clean theory)

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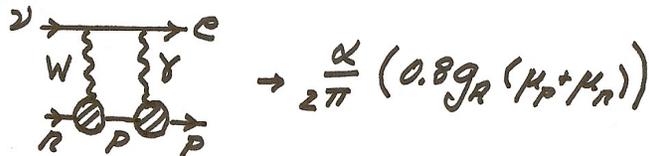
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Dispersion Relation Approach to Box Diagram

Seng, Gorchtein, Patel & Ramsey-Musolf PRL

	M&S2006($\chi\alpha/\pi$)	S,G.P&R-M2018($\chi\alpha/\pi$)
Perturbation	1.85	1.87
Born	0.83(8)	0.91(5)
Interpolator	<u>0.14(14)</u>	<u>0.48(7)</u>
Total	2.82(16)	3.26(9)

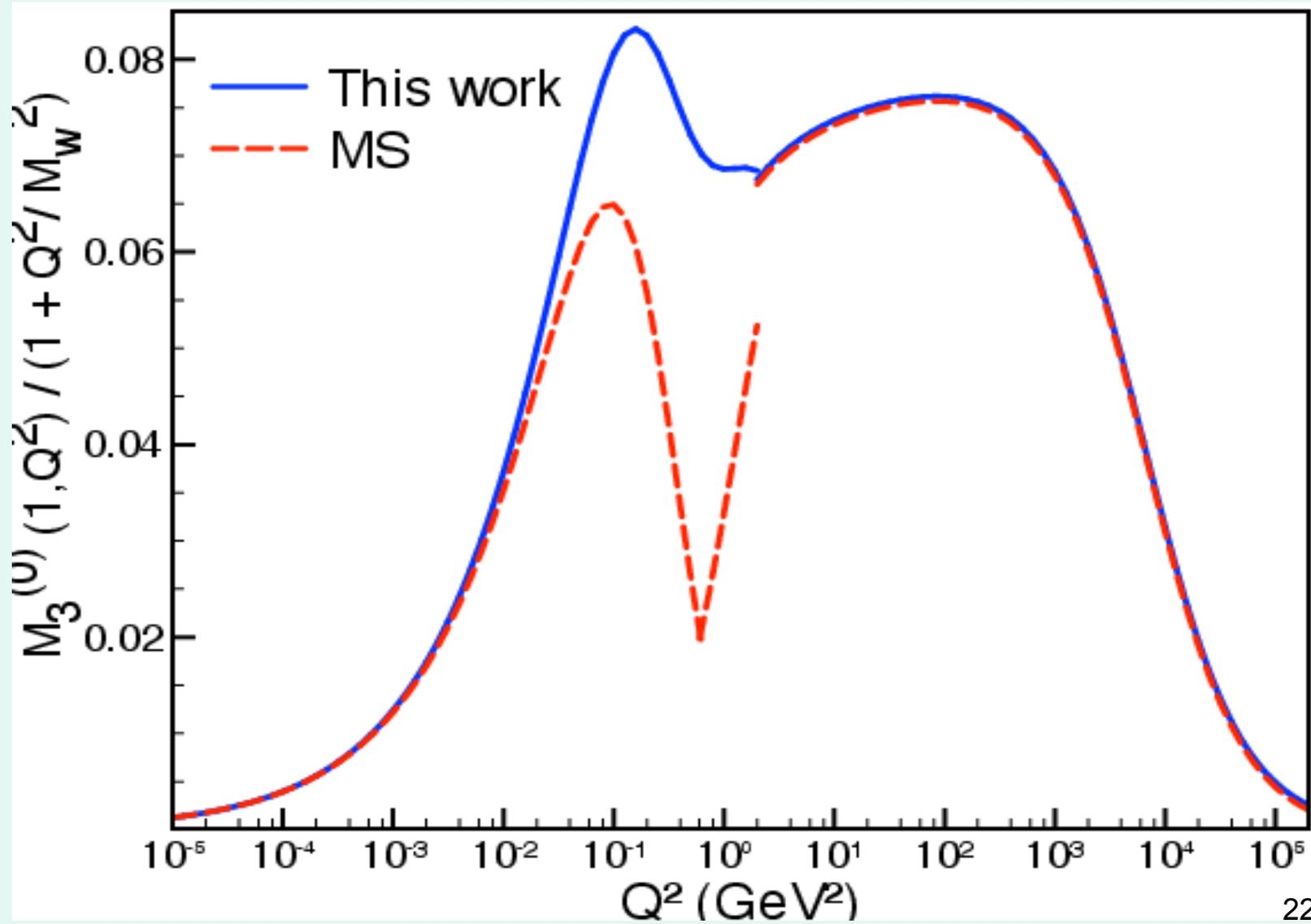
+QED leading logs + Pure Vector Contribution

1+RC	1.03886(38)	1.03992(22)
Universal Δ^V_R	0.02361(38)	0.02467(22)

Difference ~ 0.001

$$V_{ud} = \begin{array}{cc} 0.97420 & 0.97370 \end{array}$$

From: S,G,P,R-M



2019 Update Czarnecki, WJM & Sirlin

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perturbative

$$F(Q^2) = 1/Q^2 (1 - \alpha_{Bj}(Q^2)/\pi) \quad \text{for } Q^2 > Q_0^2 = 1.08 \text{ GeV}^2$$

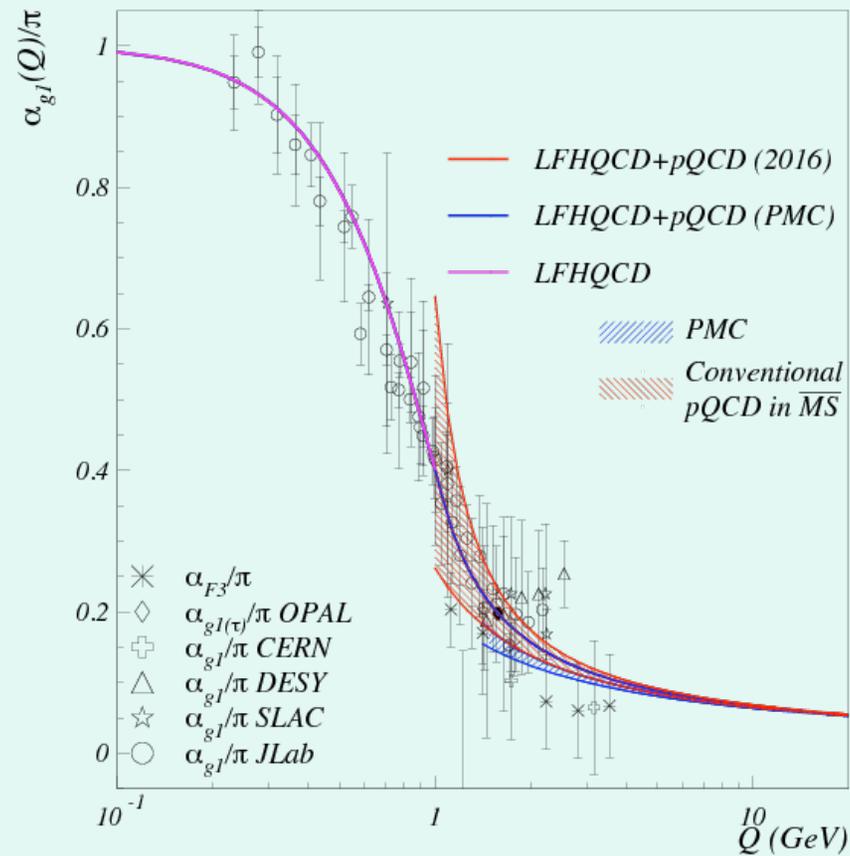
non-perturbative Light Front Holography (LFH)

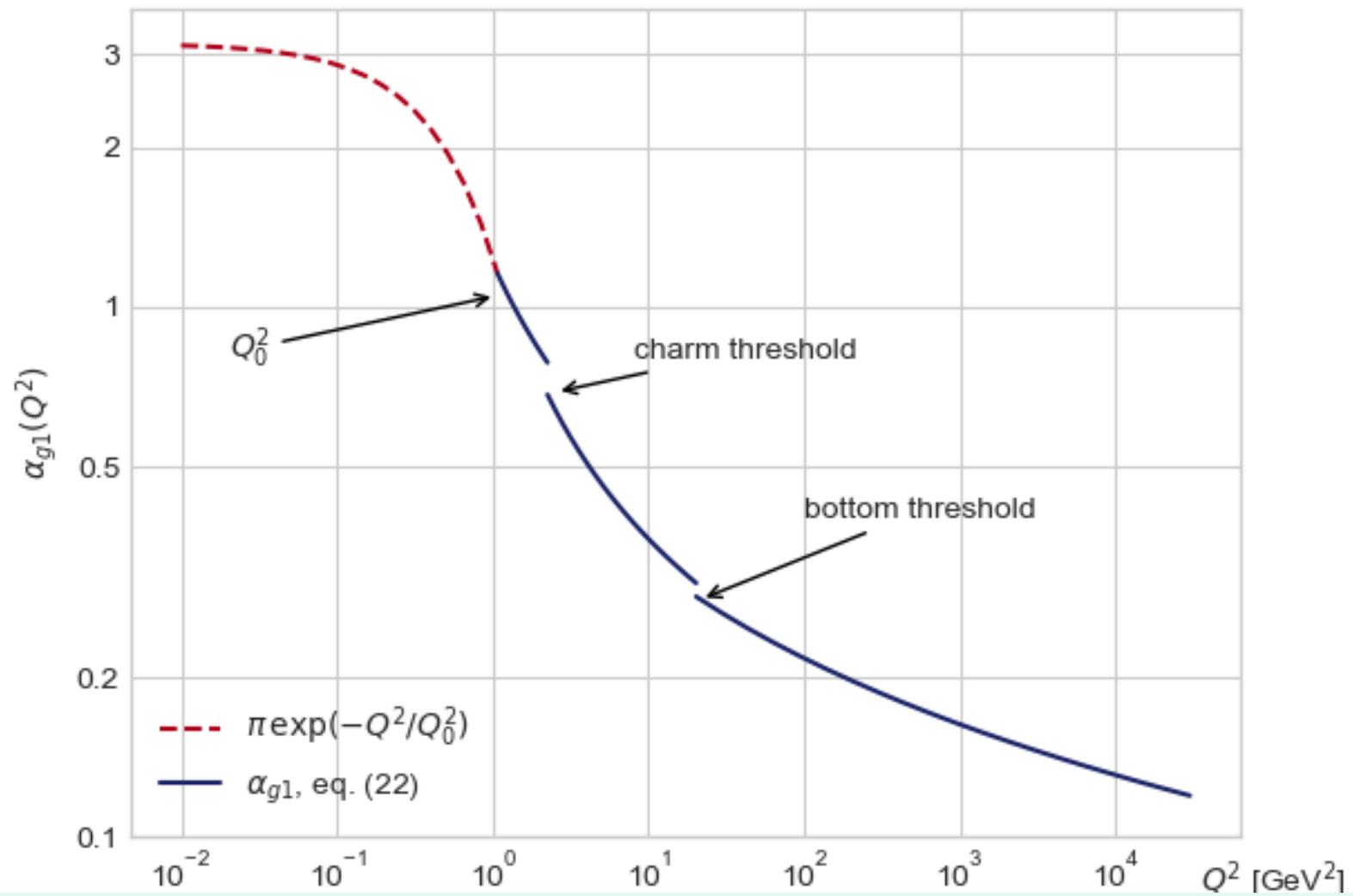
$$\alpha_{Bj}(Q^2)/\pi = \exp(-Q^2/Q_0^2) \quad Q^2 \leq Q_0^2 \quad \alpha_{Bj}(0)/\pi = 1 \quad \text{AdS} \\ F(0) = 1/Q_0^2 = 0.93 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$$

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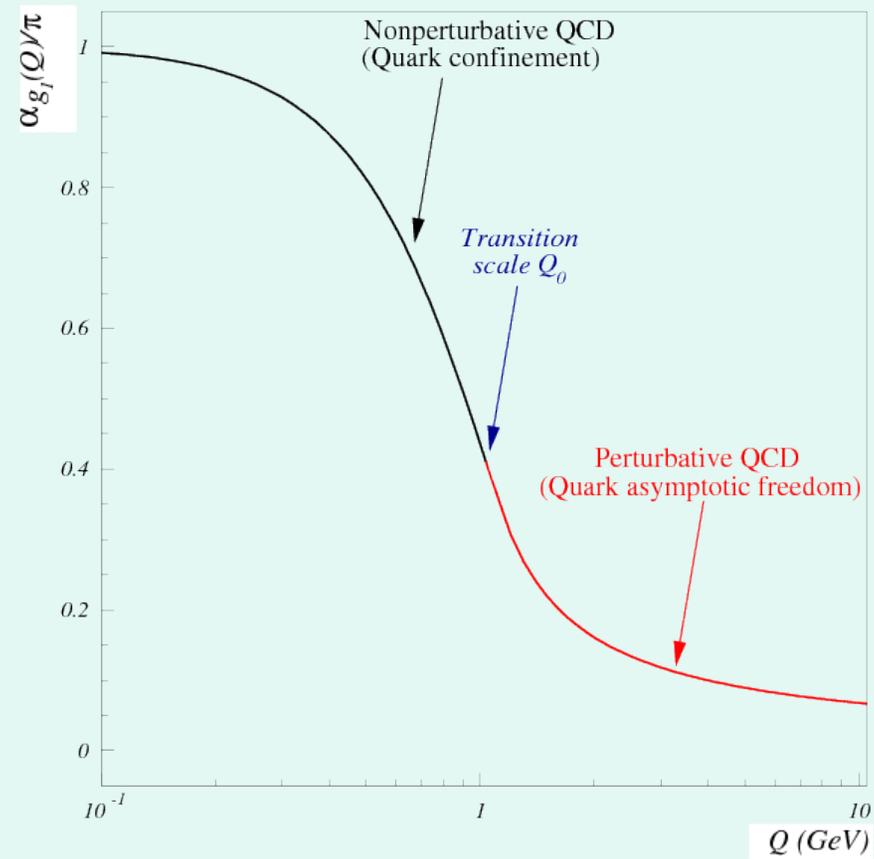
Running QCD Coupling from Bj sum rule data

Brodsky, Duer et al.





Running QCD Bj coupling



γW Box RC: Bj Function Approach
 $\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1181(10)$, $m_c = 1.3 \text{ GeV}$, $m_b = 4.2 \text{ GeV}$

<u>Q^2 Domain</u>	Integral ($\chi\alpha/\pi$)
$0 < Q^2 < Q_0^2$	0.20 New Effect
$Q_0^2 < Q^2 < 1.69 \text{ GeV}^2$	0.079
$1.69 \text{ GeV}^2 < Q^2 < \infty$	1.89
ZW Box	0.06
Born	<u>0.856</u>
Σ not Q_0 sensitive	Midway 3.085 Total
	3.32 DR (2018)
	2.82 MS (2006)

2. Large N_c QCD Approach (**new**)

Infinite sum of Vector and Axial-Vector Resonances

Use 3 Resonances + 3 Matching Conditions

$$F(Q^2) = \frac{A}{Q^2+m_\rho^2} + \frac{B}{Q^2+m_A^2} + \frac{C}{Q^2+m_{\rho'}^2},$$

$$m_\rho = 0.776\text{GeV} \quad m_A = 1.230\text{GeV} \quad m_{\rho'} = 1.465\text{GeV}$$

1. Integral $Q_0^2 - \infty$ equals Bj Function Integral=7.885
2. No $1/Q^4$ terms in large Q^2 limit
3. $F(0)$ Arbitrary

3 Resonance Solution for F(0)=Arbitrary

- $A = -1.514 + 1.422F(0)$
- $B = +6.968 - 3.535F(0)$
- $C = -4.487 + 2.092F(0)$

$$0 < Q^2 < Q_0^2 \rightarrow \underline{(0.092 + 0.102F(0))\alpha/\pi}$$

$$\Delta^V_R = 0.02398 + 2.4 \times 10^{-4} F(0)$$

$$F(Q_0^2) = 0.588(35) \rightarrow F(0) = 1.46(27)$$

$$\Delta^V_R = 0.02433(6) \quad \text{3 resonance result}$$

$$F(0) = 2.9 \rightarrow \Delta^V_R = 0.02467 = \text{DR result}$$

off by 5.7 sigma see figure

F(Q²) Interpolators

F(0)=0.93 BjSR, 1.46(27) band, 2.1, 2.9

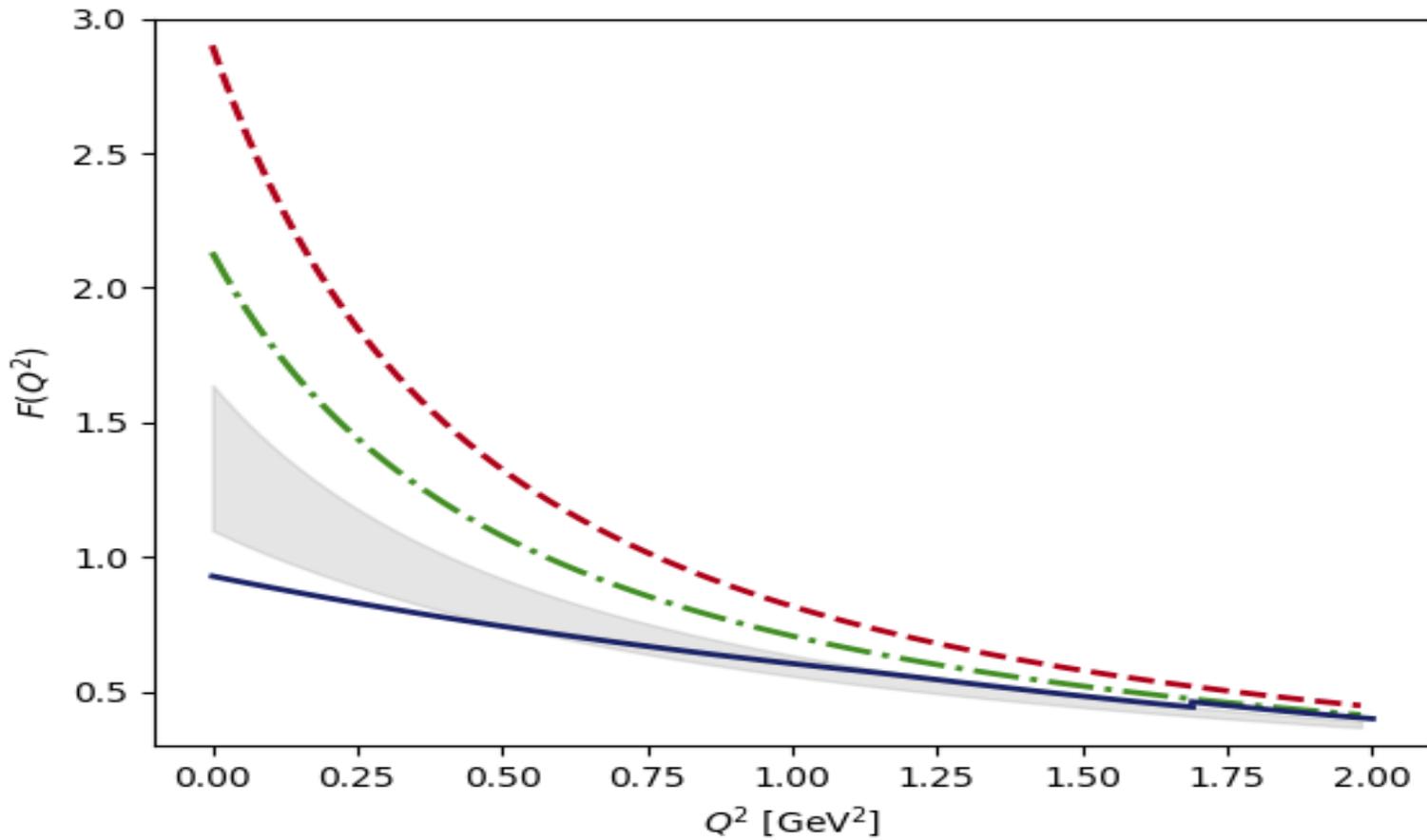
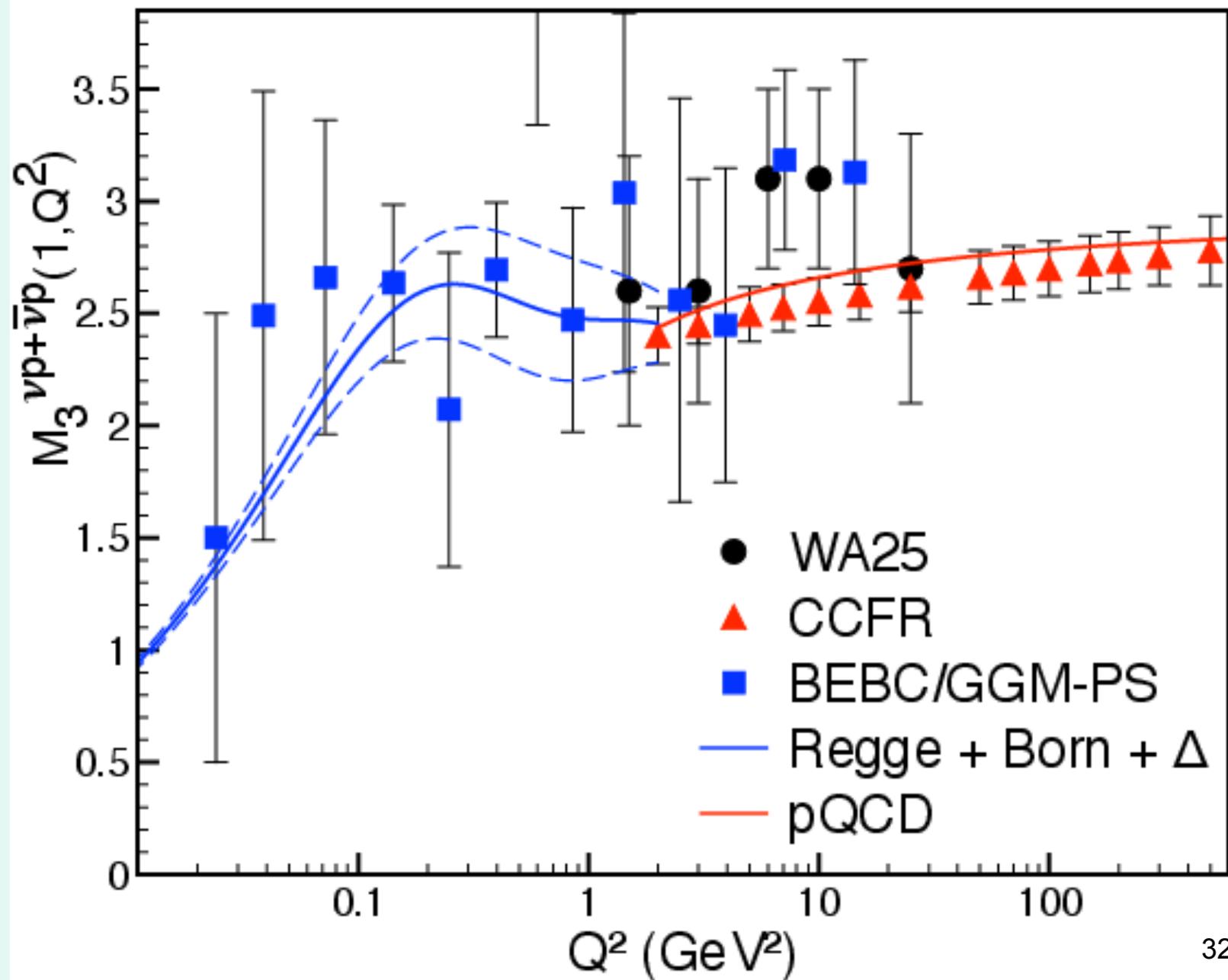


Table I. Universal and neutron specific radiative corrections

r	Δ_R^V	RC	Source
	0.02467(22)	0.03992(22)	[4]
	0.02361(38)	0.03886(38)	[3]
	0.02423(32)	0.03944(32)	AdS BjSR Approach, eq
	0.02433(32)	0.03953(32)	Three Resonance Interp
	0.02428(32)	0.03949(32)	Average of lines 3 and 4



Implications of larger RC for Neutron Lifetime

$$\text{CMS } 1+\text{RC}=1.03949(32)$$

$$V_{\underline{ud}}=0.9741$$

$$g_A=1.2762(5) \quad (\text{After PerkeoIII})$$

Predict Neutron Lifetime =878s

Currently *Neutron Lifetime Problem*

$$\tau_n^{\text{beam}}=888.0(2.0)\text{s} \quad \tau_n^{\text{trap}}=879.4(6)\text{s}$$

Could Both Be Right? Neither?

Fornal-Grinstein Solution

BR($n \rightarrow$ dark particles) ~ 1%

We find $\text{BR}(n \rightarrow \text{exotic decay}) < 0.1\%$ (95%CL)

Final Comments

- **Watch g_A & τ_n future 10^{-4} sensitivity**
- **What is V_{us} ?**
- **$F(Q^2)$ for $Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ lattice QCD**
- **DR value of $F(0)$**
- **DR and 4 loop BjSR**