

Using Gradient Flow to Renormalise Matrix Elements for Meson Mixing and Lifetimes

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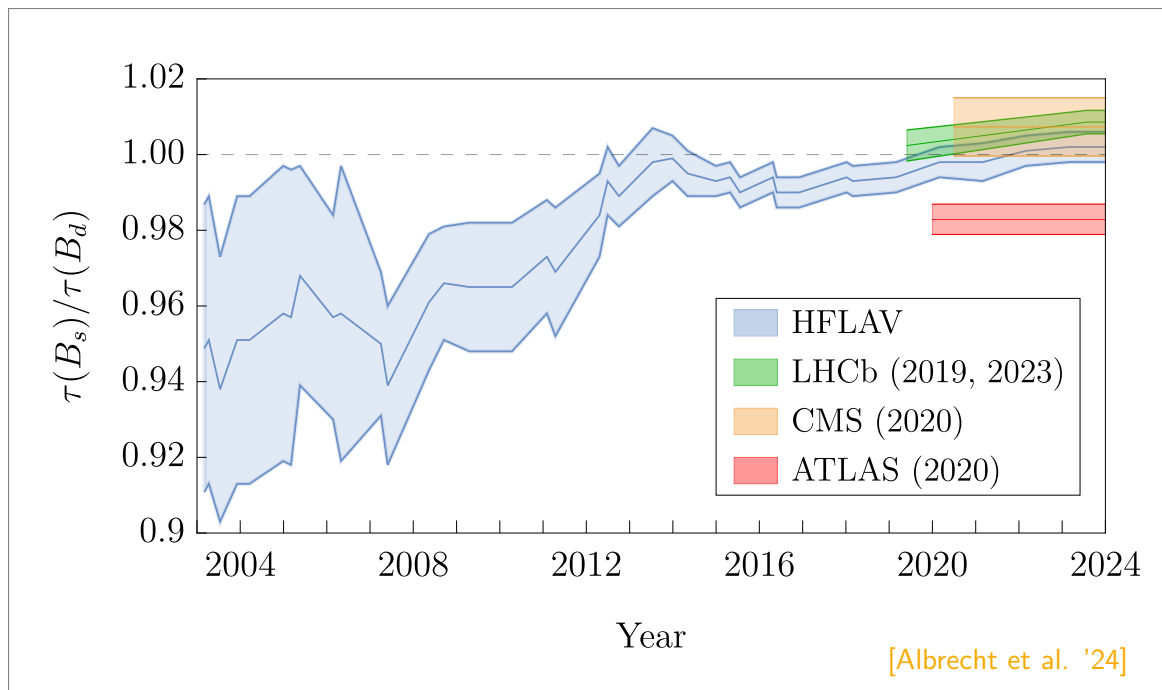
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Introduction

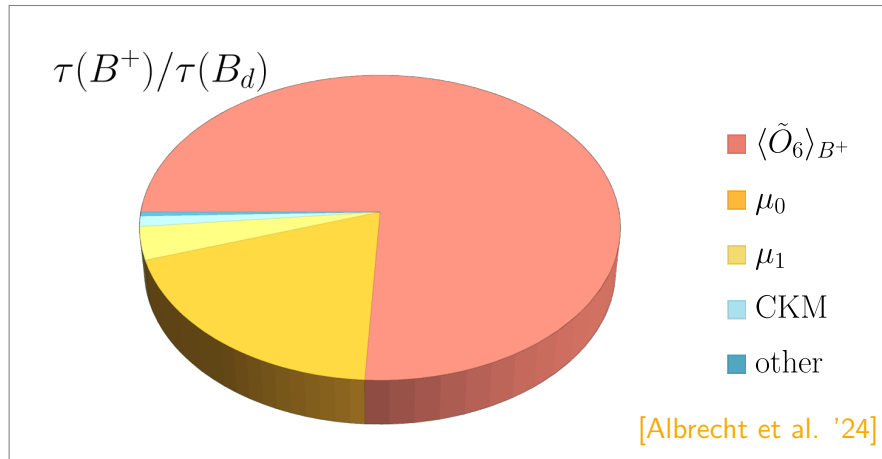
- ▶ B -meson mixing and lifetimes are measured experimentally to high precision
 - ↳ Key observables for probing New Physics → **high precision in theory needed!**



- For B lifetimes and mixing, we use the **Heavy Quark Expansion**

$$\Gamma(H_Q) = \Gamma_3 \langle \mathcal{O}_3 \rangle + \Gamma_5 \frac{\langle \mathcal{O}_5 \rangle}{m_Q^2} + \Gamma_6 \frac{\langle \mathcal{O}_6 \rangle}{m_Q^3} + \dots + 16\pi^2 \left[\tilde{\Gamma}_6 \frac{\langle \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_6 \rangle}{m_Q^3} + \tilde{\Gamma}_7 \frac{\langle \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_7 \rangle}{m_Q^4} + \dots \right]$$

- $\langle \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_6 \rangle$ are leading uncertainties for both B lifetimes and mixing



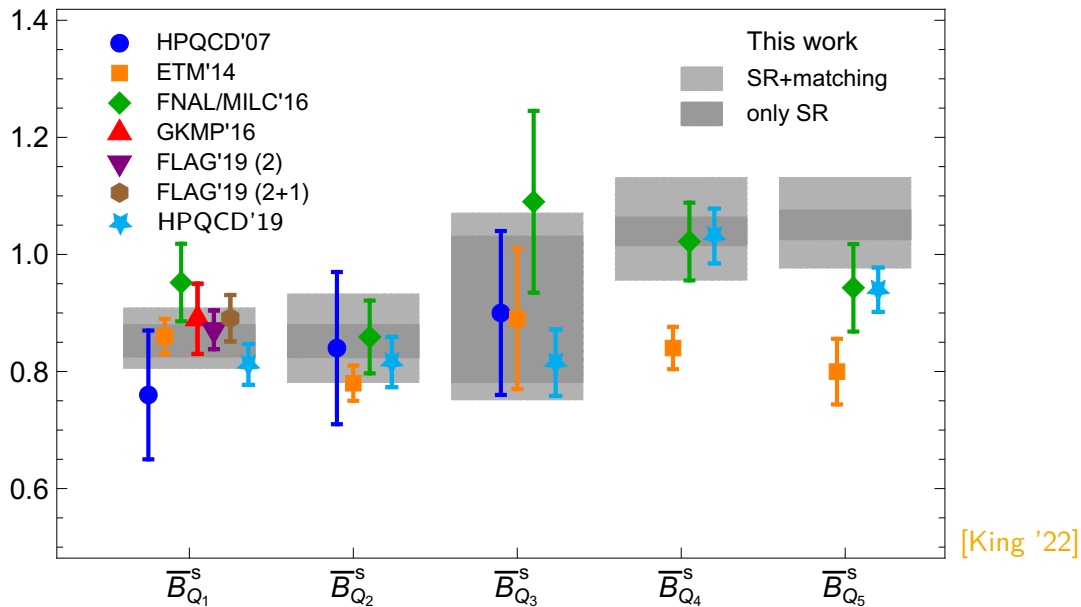
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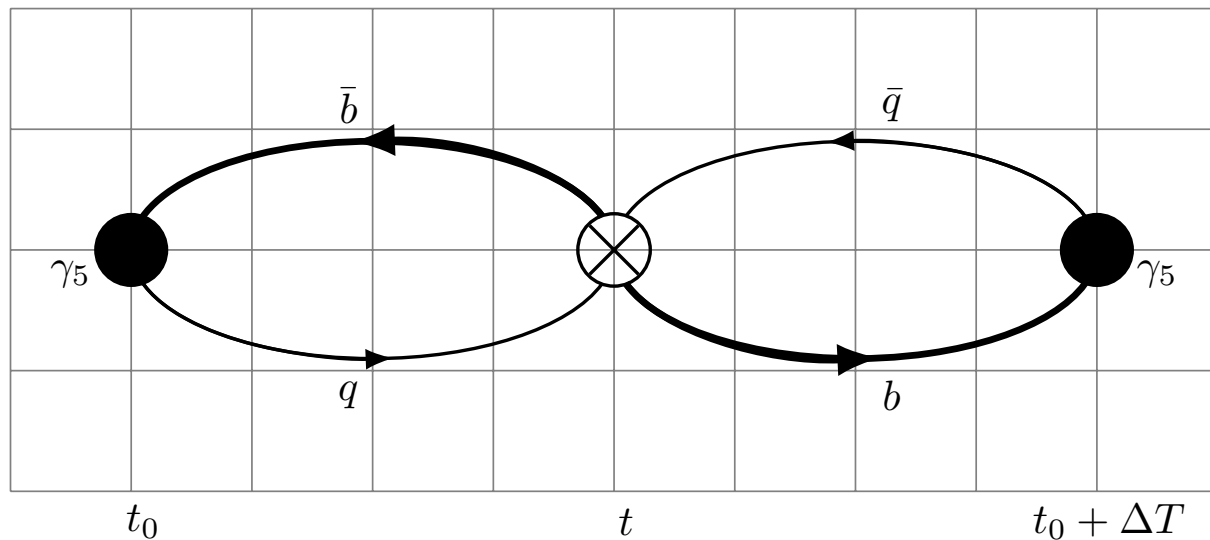
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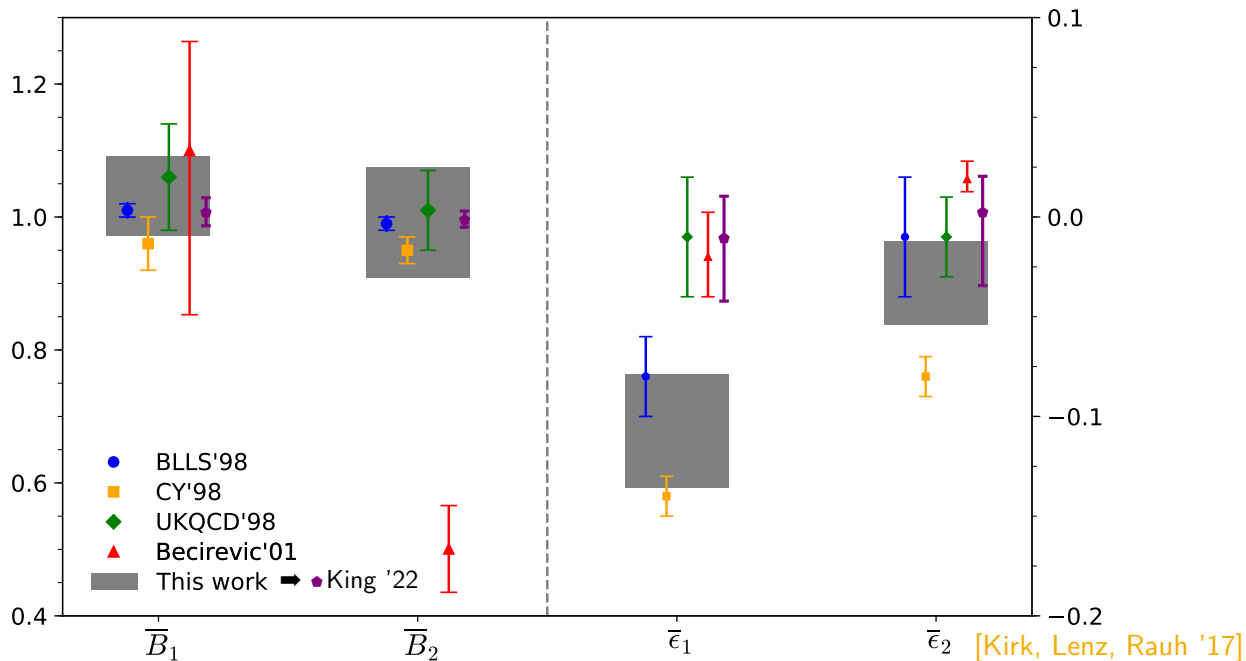
- ▶ [Lin, Detmold, Meinel '22] \rightarrow spectator effects in b hadrons
 - ↳ Focus on lifetime ratios for both B mesons and Λ_b baryon
 - ↳ Isospin breaking, $\langle B | \mathcal{O}^d - \mathcal{O}^u | B \rangle$
 - ↳ Position-space renormalisation + perturbative matching to $\overline{\text{MS}}$
- ▶ This work; [Black et al. '23], [Black et al. '24]
 - ↳ Goal is individual $\Delta B = 0$ matrix elements for B mesons
 - ↳ Non-perturbative gradient flow renormalisation
 - ↳ Perturbative matching to $\overline{\text{MS}}$ in short-flow-time expansion

Operators — Current Status



- ▶ $\Delta B = 2$ Bag parameters well-studied on the lattice and with QCD sum rules
- ▶ See also ongoing work by RBC/UKQCD and JLQCD [Boyle et al '21] [Tsang, Lattice '23]
- ▶ Dimension-7 matrix elements calculated for first time [HPQCD '19]

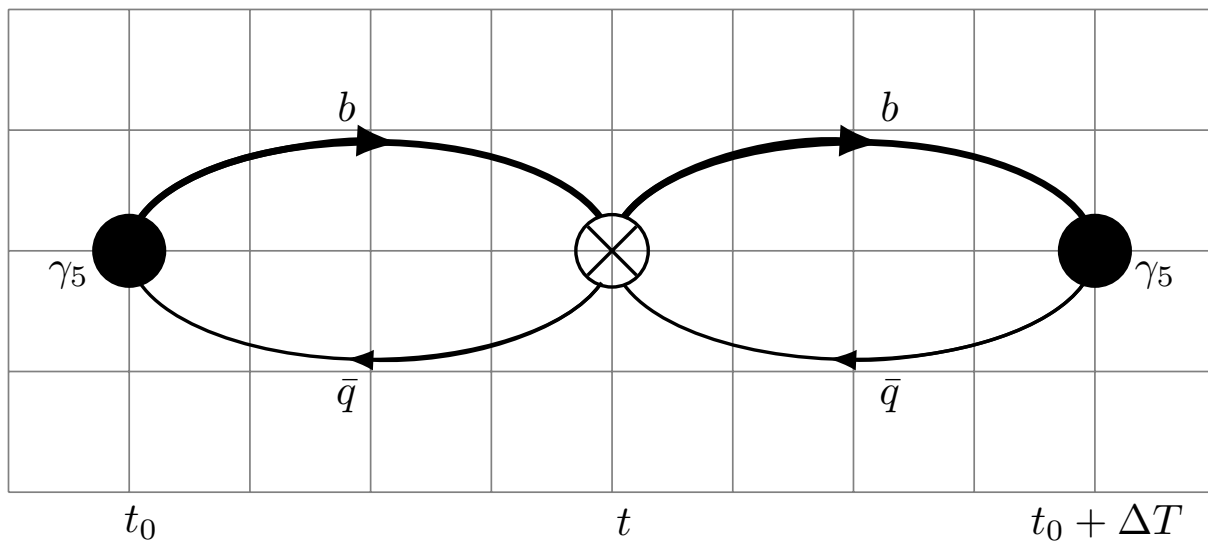
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- Sum rules results taken in HQET limit
- No complete unquenched lattice simulations to date!

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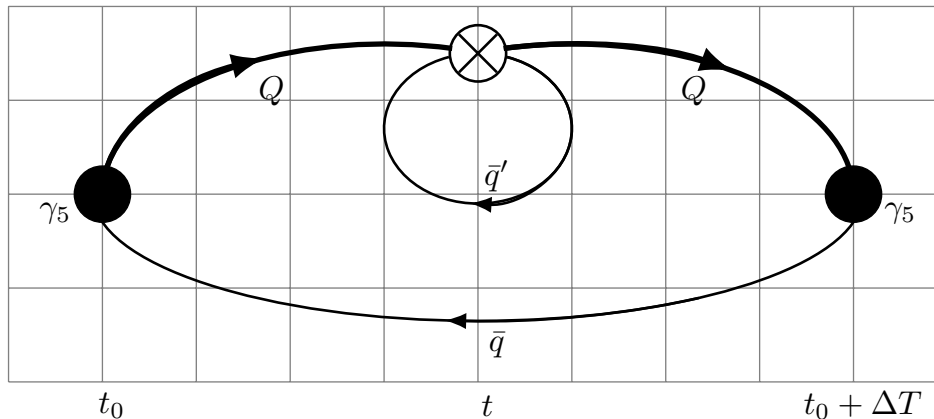
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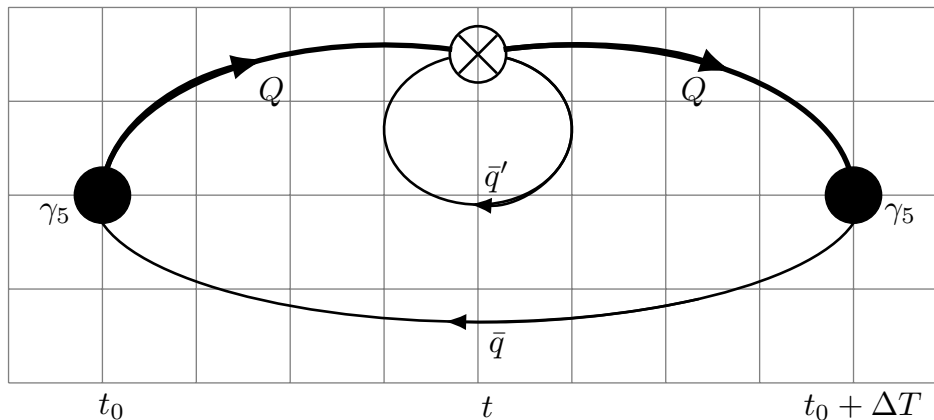


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- ▶ Mixing with lower-dimensional operators in renormalisation
 - ↳ Power divergent
 - ↳ Notoriously challenging
- How can we tackle this?

Gradient Flow

- ▶ Well-studied for e.g. energy-momentum tensor [Makino, Suzuki '14] [Harlander, Kluth, Lange '18]
- ▶ Re-express effective Hamiltonian in terms of 'flowed' operators:

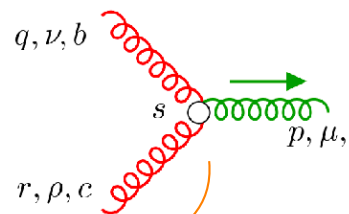
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_n C_n \mathcal{O}_n = \sum_n \tilde{C}_n(\tau) \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_n(\tau).$$

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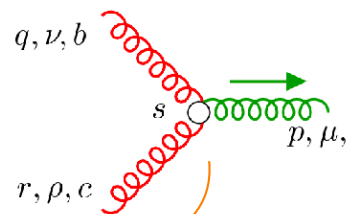
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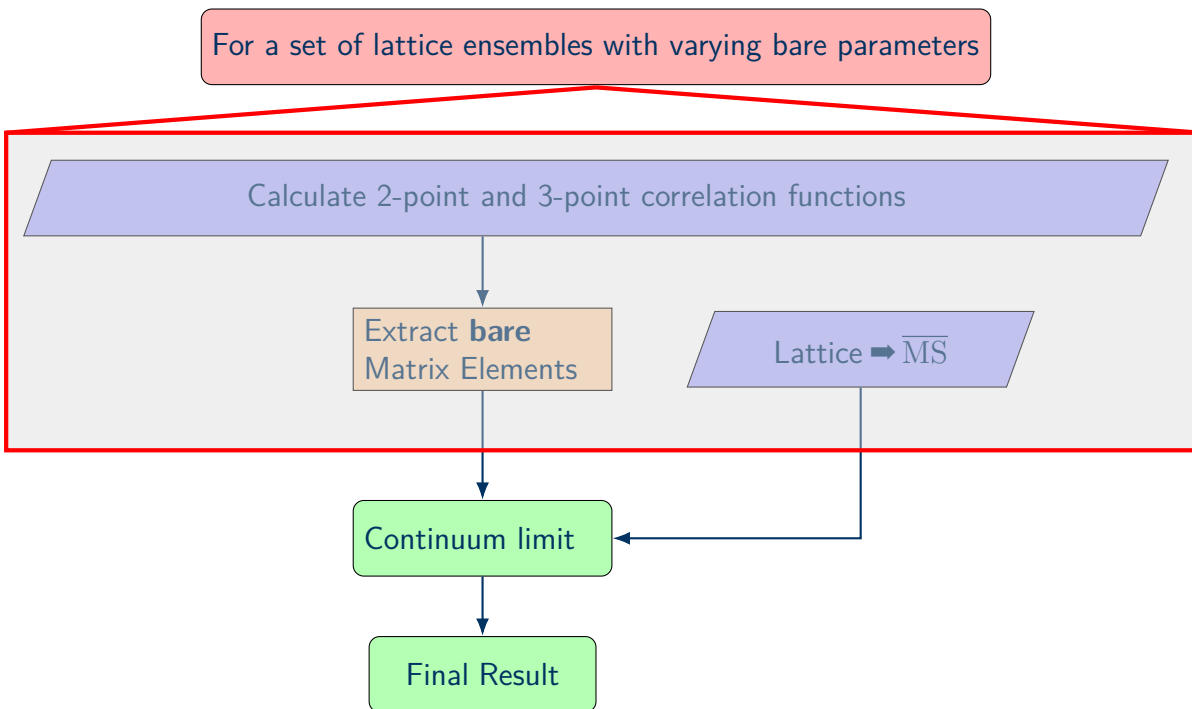
$$\sum_n \zeta_{nm}^{-1}(\mu, \tau) \langle \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_n \rangle(\tau) = \langle \mathcal{O}_m \rangle(\mu)$$

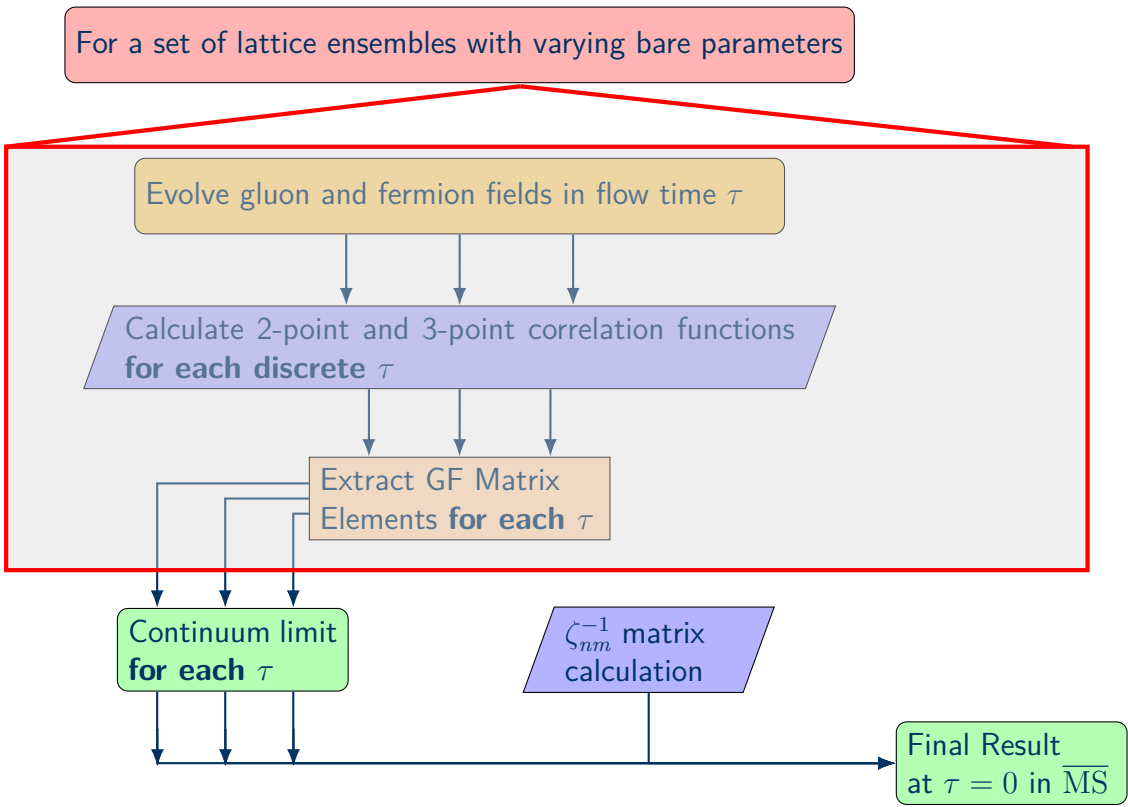
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- ▶ Matrix element $\langle \mathcal{O}_m \rangle(\mu)$ in $\overline{\text{MS}}$ found in $\tau \rightarrow 0$ limit \Rightarrow 'window' problem
 - ▶ large systematic effects at very small flow times
 - ▶ large flow time dominated by operators $\propto O(\tau)$





Lattice Details

- We use RBC/UKQCD's 2+1 flavour DWF + Iwasaki gauge action ensembles

	L	T	a^{-1}/GeV	am_l^{sea}	am_s^{sea}	M_π/MeV	srcs \times N_{conf}
C1	24	64	1.7848	0.005	0.040	340	32×101
C2	24	64	1.7848	0.010	0.040	433	32×101
M1	32	64	2.3833	0.004	0.030	302	32×79
M2	32	64	2.3833	0.006	0.030	362	32×89
M3	32	64	2.3833	0.008	0.030	411	32×68
F1S	48	96	2.785	0.002144	0.02144	267	24×98

[Allton et al. '08]

[Aoki et al. '10]

[Blum et al. '14]

[Boyle et al. '17]

- For strange quarks tuned to physical value, $am_q \ll 1$ ✓
- For heavy b quarks, $am_q > 1$ \Rightarrow large discretisation effects ✗
 - \hookrightarrow manageable for physical c quarks instead
 - \hookrightarrow stout-smearred Möbius DWF [Cho et. al '15]
- Exploratory setup using physical charm and strange quarks
 - $\hookrightarrow \Delta B = 0, 2 \Rightarrow \Delta Q = 0, 2$, for generic heavy quark Q

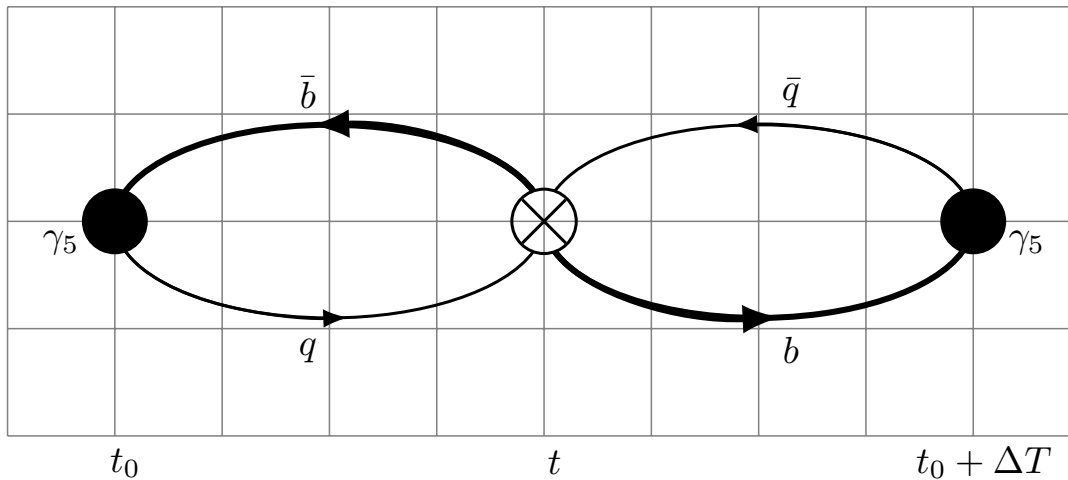
1. Complete exploratory studies in simplified setup without additional extrapolations
 - ↳ test case for gradient flow renormalisation and short-flow-time expansion procedure
 - ↳ simulate physical charm and strange quarks
2. Use $\Delta Q = 2$ matrix elements for further validation of method
 - ↳ neutral charm-strange meson \Rightarrow proxy to short-distance D^0 mixing (+ spectator effects)
3. Pioneer $\Delta Q = 0$ matrix element calculation for lifetime differences
4. Run full-scale simulations for B meson mixing and lifetimes
 - ↳ simulate at multiple charm-like masses to extrapolate to b
 - ↳ consider both light and strange spectators
5. Tackle additional contributions for absolute lifetimes
 - ↳ 'eye' diagrams

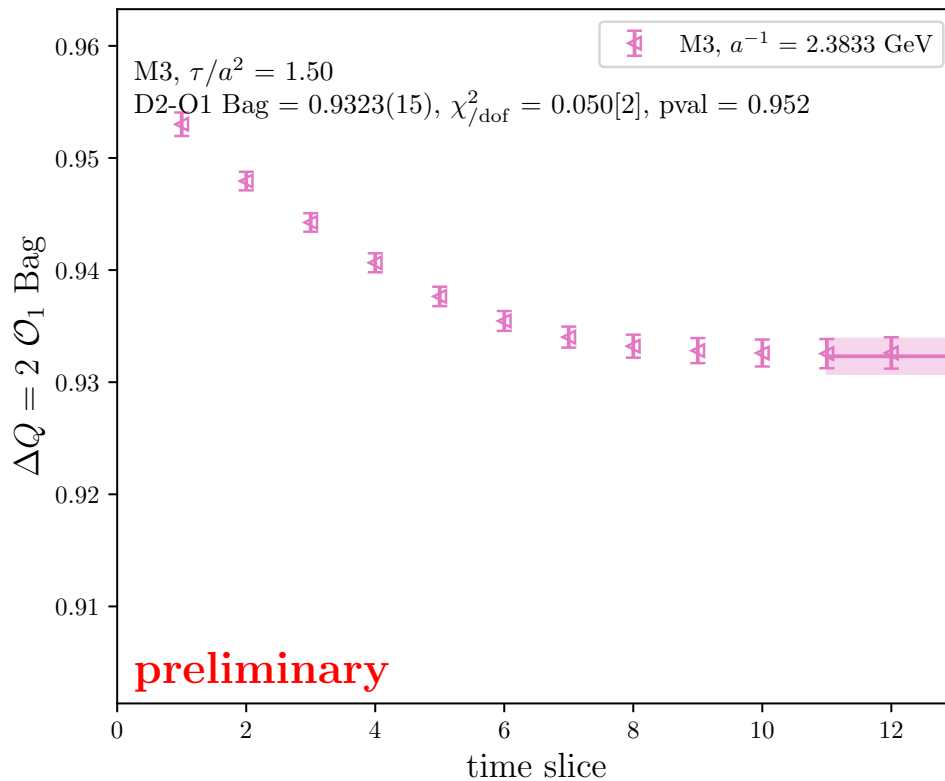
Analysis and Results

- ▶ Three-point correlation function:

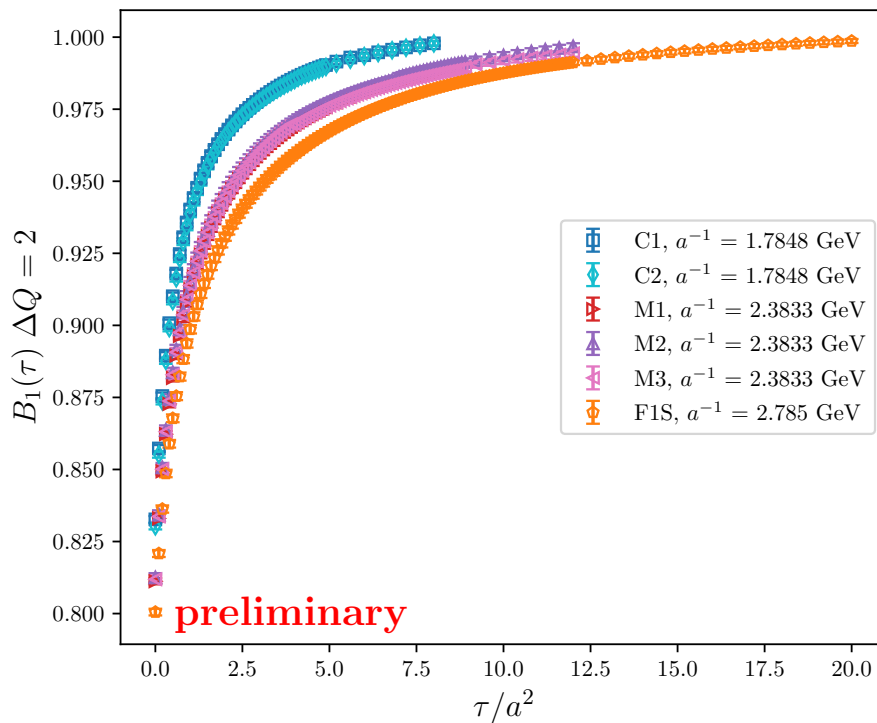
$$C_{Q_i}^{\text{3pt}}(t, \Delta T, \tau) = \sum_{n, n'} \frac{\langle P_n | Q_i | \bar{P}_{n'} \rangle(\tau)}{4M_n M_{n'}} e^{-(\Delta T - t)M_n} e^{-tM_{n'}} \xrightarrow{t_0 \ll t \ll t_0 + \Delta T} \frac{\langle P \rangle^2}{4M^2} \langle Q_i \rangle(\tau) e^{-\Delta T M}$$

- ▶ Normalise with two-point correlation functions $\rightarrow \mathcal{B}_i = \frac{\langle Q_i \rangle}{\eta_i m^2 f^2}$
- ▶ Measure along positive flow time τ

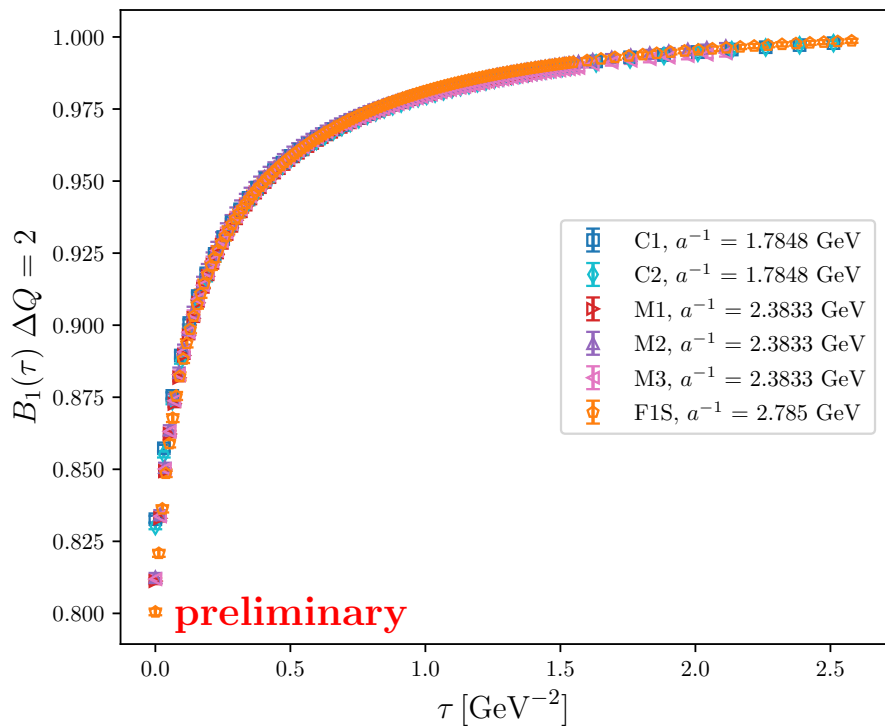




- Symmetric signal 'folded' across time extent
- Single correlator fit at each flow time



- operator is renormalised in 'GF' scheme as it is evolved along flow time
- data at same lattice spacing overlap ➡ no light sea quark effects



► different lattice spacings overlap in physical flow time ➔ mild continuum limit

➤ Combine with perturbative matching at NNLO (+ higher logs) [Harlander, Lange '22] [Borgulat et al. '23]

➤ Consistency with literature

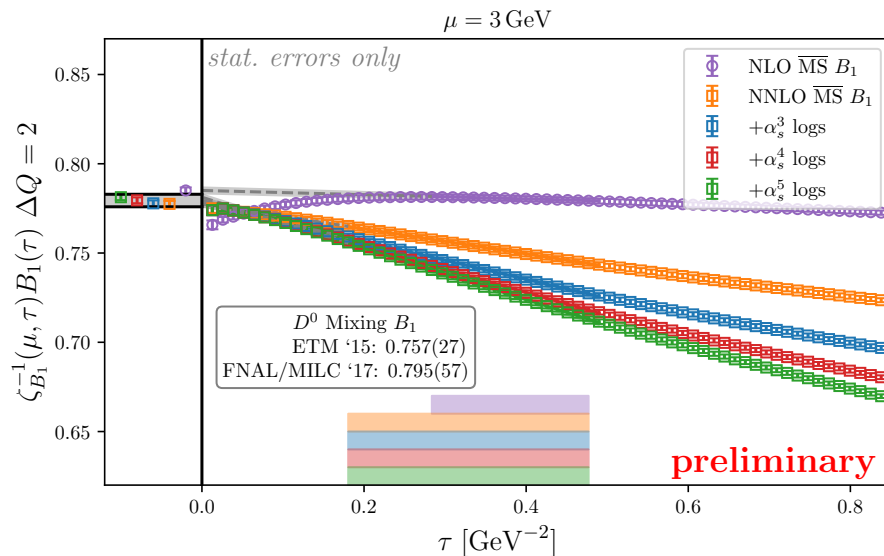
➤ Different perturbative orders show agreement

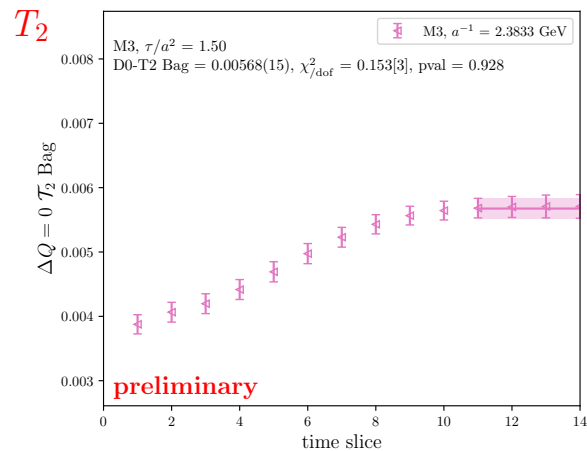
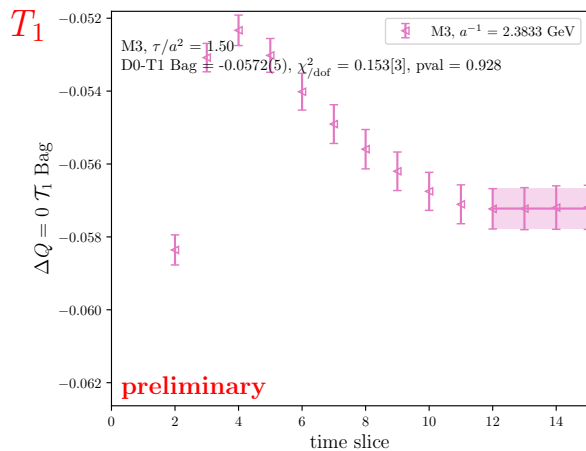
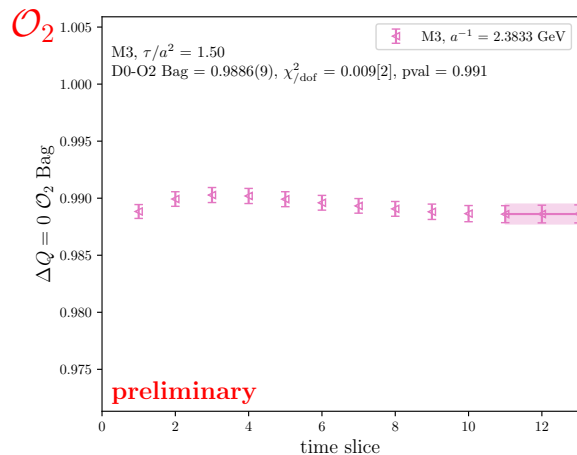
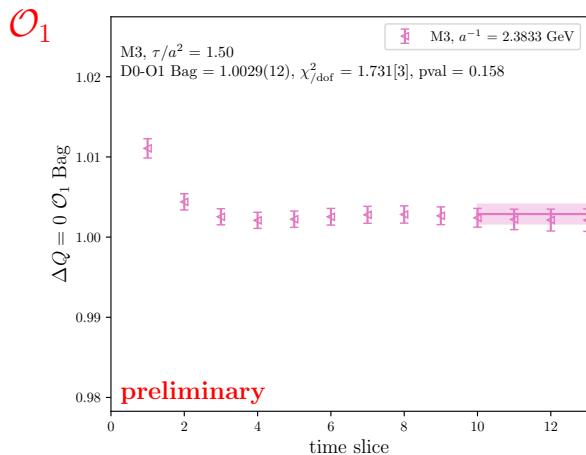
➤ systematic errors needed for meaningful comparison

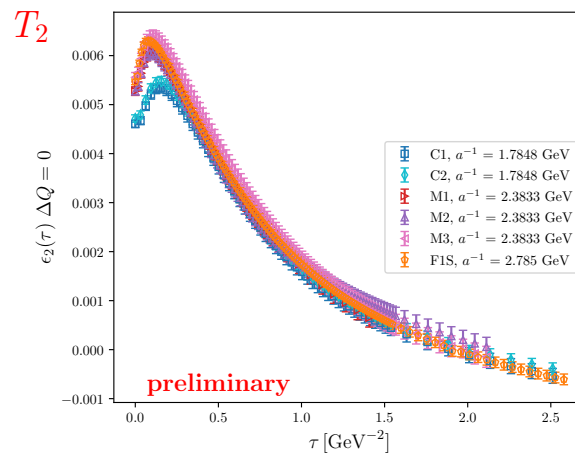
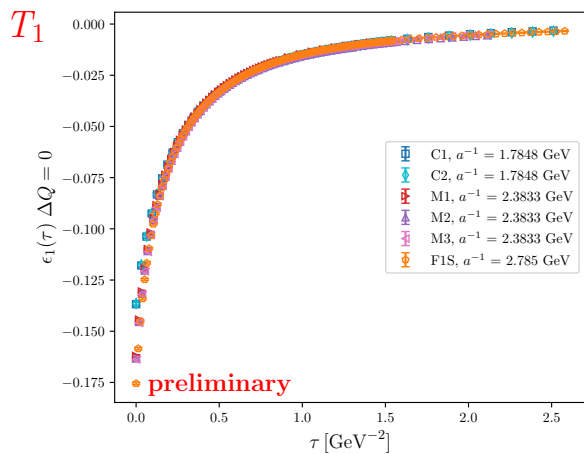
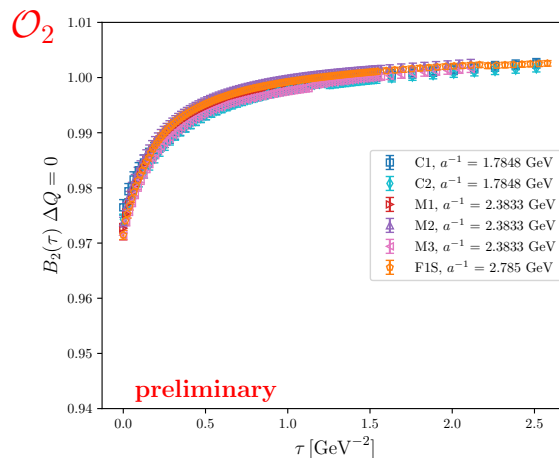
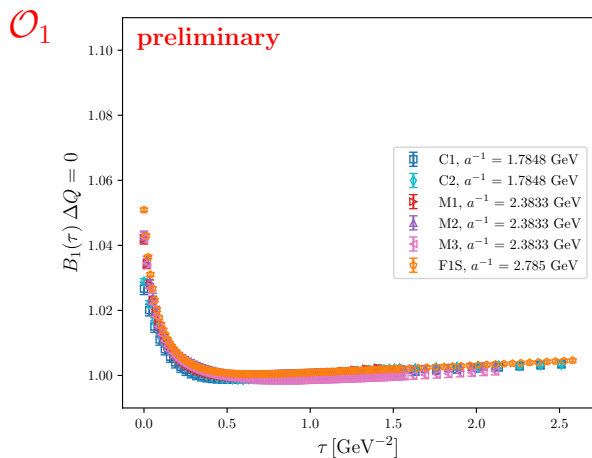
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$$0.779(4)$$

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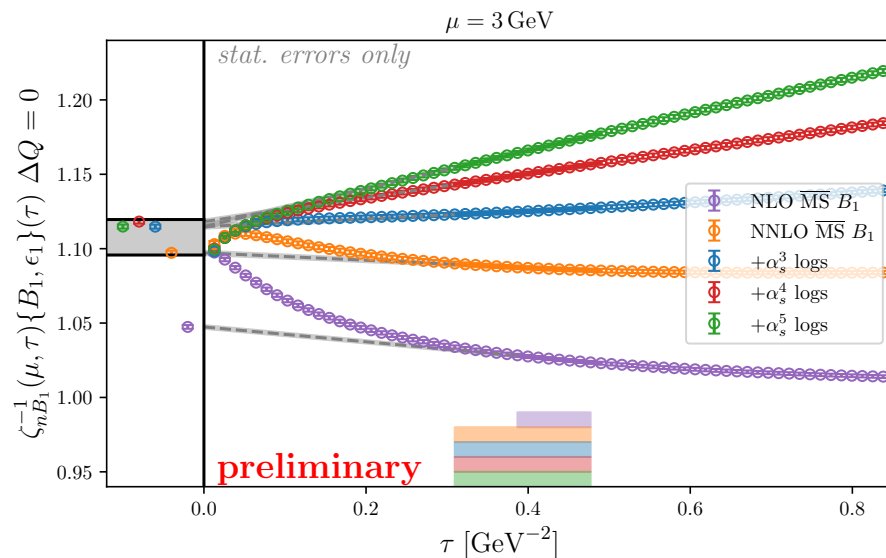


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1.107(12)

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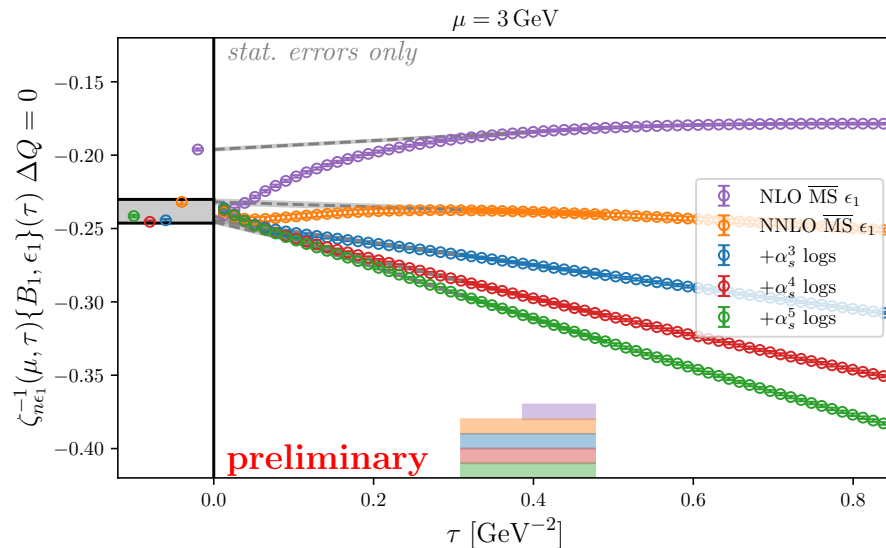
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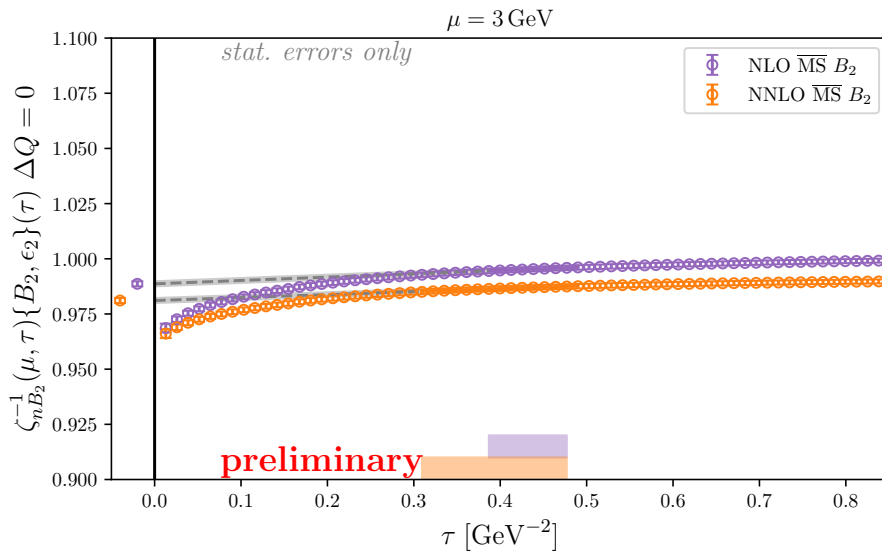
$$-0.238(8)$$

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- ▶ Preliminary value @ NNLO
0.981(1)

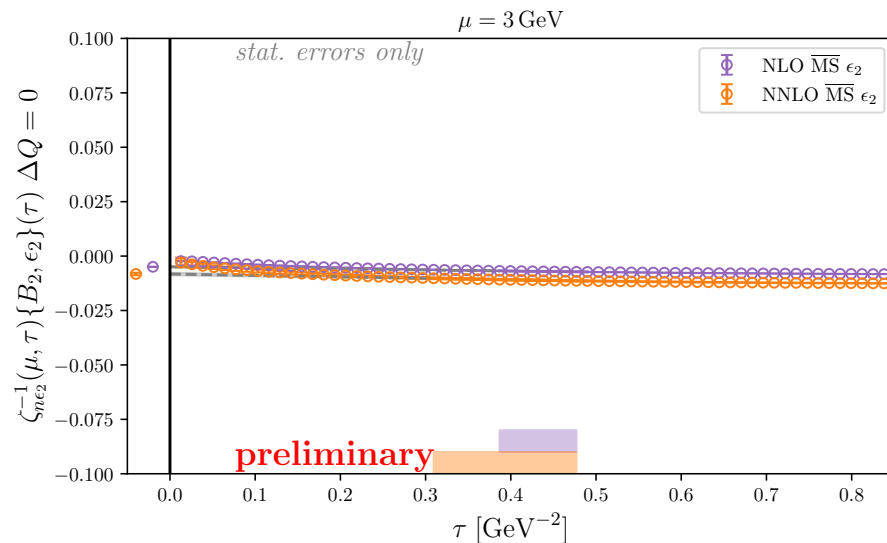


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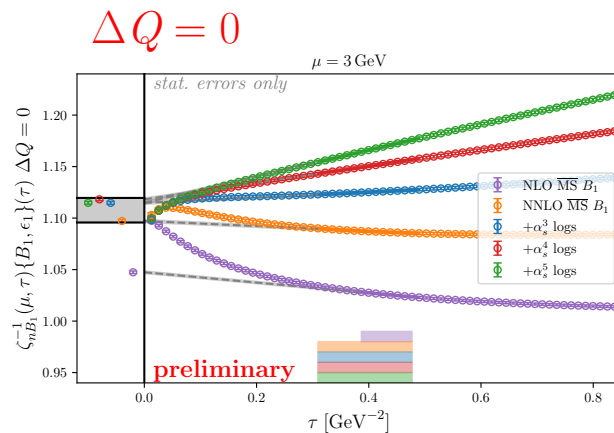
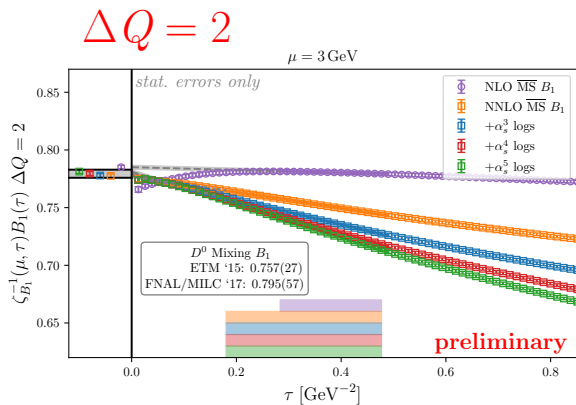
► Preliminary value @ NNLO

$-0.008(6)$



Summary and Outlook

- $\Delta B = 0$ four-quark matrix elements are strongly-desired quantities
 - ➔ Standard renormalisation introduces mixing with operators of lower mass dimension
 - ➔ We aim to use the fermionic gradient flow as a non-perturbative renormalisation procedure
- We calculate $\Delta Q = 2$ matrix elements as a test case for the short-flow-time expansion
 - ➔ preliminary results consistent with literature
- Analysis of $\Delta Q = 0$ matrix elements for lifetime differences progressing with promise



- Complete exploratory work with physical charm-strange meson
 - ➡ GF→ \overline{MS} analysis for all dimension-six $\Delta Q = 2$ operators
 - ➡ GF→ \overline{MS} analysis for dimension-six $\Delta Q = 0$ operators (connected pieces) → lifetime differences
 - ➡ Fully-correlated analysis to be done
- Perturbative matching needed for complete $\Delta B = 2$ basis
 - ➡ higher logs still needed for all $\Delta B = 0$ operators
- Complete full-scale simulations for B meson mixing and lifetimes
 - ➡ multiple heavier-than-charm masses → extrapolate to physical b mass
 - ➡ consider both strange and light spectators
- Eye diagrams needed for absolute lifetime operators
 - ➡ to be included in both lattice simulations and perturbative matching calculations

Backup Slides

- Mass difference of neutral mesons ΔM_q ($q = d, s$) governed by $\Delta B = 2$ four-quark operators
- General BSM basis has 5 dimension-six operators

$$Q_1^q = \bar{b}^\alpha \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q^\alpha \bar{b}^\beta \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q^\beta, \quad \langle Q_1^q \rangle = \langle \bar{B}_q | Q_1^q | B_q \rangle = \frac{8}{3} f_{B_q}^2 M_{B_q}^2 B_1^q$$

$$Q_2^q = \bar{b}^\alpha (1 - \gamma_5) q^\alpha \bar{b}^\beta (1 - \gamma_5) q^\beta, \quad \langle Q_2^q \rangle = \langle \bar{B}_q | Q_2^q | B_q \rangle = \frac{-5 M_{B_q}^2}{3(m_b + m_q)^2} f_{B_q}^2 M_{B_q}^2 B_2^q,$$

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$$Q_5^q = \bar{b}^\alpha (1 - \gamma_5) q^\beta \bar{b}^\beta (1 + \gamma_5) q^\alpha, \quad \langle Q_5^q \rangle = \langle \bar{B}_q | Q_5^q | B_q \rangle = \left[\frac{2 M_{B_q}^2}{3(m_b + m_q)^2} + 1 \right] f_{B_q}^2 M_{B_q}^2 B_5^q.$$

- In the **SM**, only Q_1^q contributes to ΔM
- Matrix elements parameterised in terms of **decay constant** f_{B_q} and **bag parameters** B_i^q

► For lifetimes, the dimension-6 $\Delta B = 0$ operators are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_1^q &= \bar{b}^\alpha \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q^\alpha \bar{q}^\beta \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) b^\beta, & \langle Q_1^q \rangle &= \langle B_q | Q_1^q | B_q \rangle = f_{B_q}^2 M_{B_q}^2 \mathcal{B}_1^q, \\
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 T_1^q &= \bar{b}^\alpha \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) (T^a)^{\alpha\beta} q^\beta \bar{q}^\gamma \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) (T^a)^{\gamma\delta} b^\delta, & \langle T_1^q \rangle &= \langle B_q | T_1^q | B_q \rangle = f_{B_q}^2 M_{B_q}^2 \epsilon_1^q, \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

► For simplicity of computation, we want these to be colour-singlet operators:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{Q}_1 &= \bar{b}^\alpha \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q^\alpha \bar{q}^\beta \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) b^\beta \\
 \mathcal{Q}_2 &= \bar{b}^\alpha (1 - \gamma_5) q^\alpha \bar{q}^\beta (1 + \gamma_5) b^\beta \\
 \tau_1 &= \bar{b}^\alpha \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) b^\alpha \bar{q}^\beta \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q^\beta \\
 \tau_2 &= \bar{b}^\alpha \gamma_\mu (1 + \gamma_5) b^\alpha \bar{q}^\beta \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) q^\beta
 \end{aligned}
 \quad
 \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{Q}_1^+ \\ \mathcal{Q}_2^+ \\ \tau_1^+ \\ \tau_2^+ \end{pmatrix}
 =
 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2N_c} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2N_c} & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{pmatrix}
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