

QCD effects in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$

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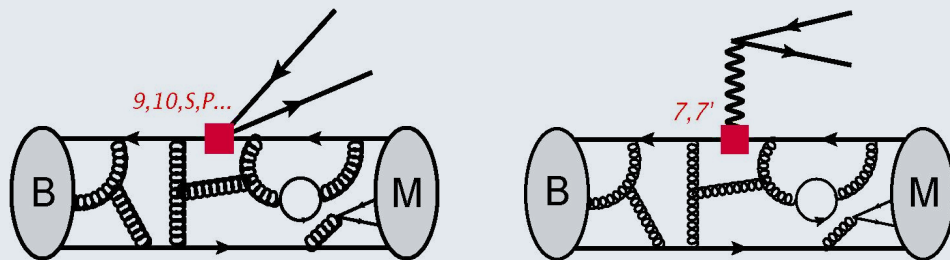
Based on Gubernari, Reboud, van Dyk, JV [2305.06301](#)

Form factors in $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$

$$\mathcal{H}(b \rightarrow s\ell\ell) = -\frac{4G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{tb} V_{ts}^* \sum_{i=1}^{10} C_i(\mu) \mathcal{O}_i(\mu)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{9(10)} = \frac{e^2}{16\pi^2} (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu b_L) (\bar{\ell} \gamma^\mu (\gamma_5) \ell)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_7 = \frac{e}{16\pi^2} (\bar{s}_L \sigma_{\mu\nu} b_R) F^{\mu\nu}$$



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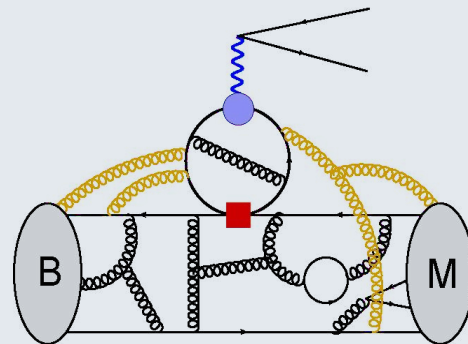
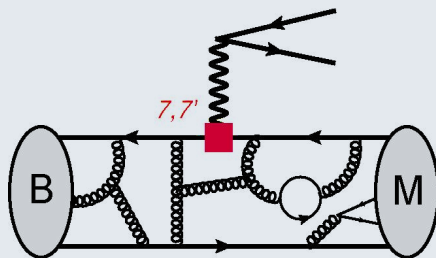
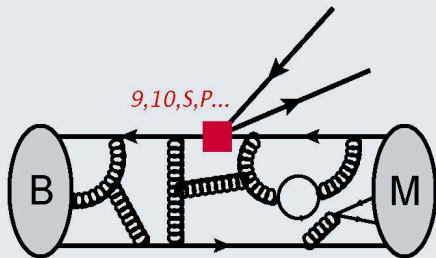
- $B \rightarrow K^{(*)} \mu\mu$
- $B_s \rightarrow \varphi \mu\mu$
- $\Lambda_b \rightarrow \Lambda^{(*)} \mu\mu$

Local form-factors,
involves e.g.

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$$\mathcal{H}_\mu(k, q) = i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle \bar{M}(k) | T \{ \mathcal{J}_\mu^{\text{em}}(x), C_i \mathcal{O}_i \} | \bar{B}(q+k) \rangle$$

Non-local form-factors

→ Main contributions: the “charm-loops” $\mathcal{O}_{2(1)}^c = (\bar{s}_L \gamma_\mu (T^a) c_L) (\bar{c}_L \gamma^\mu (T^a) b_L)$

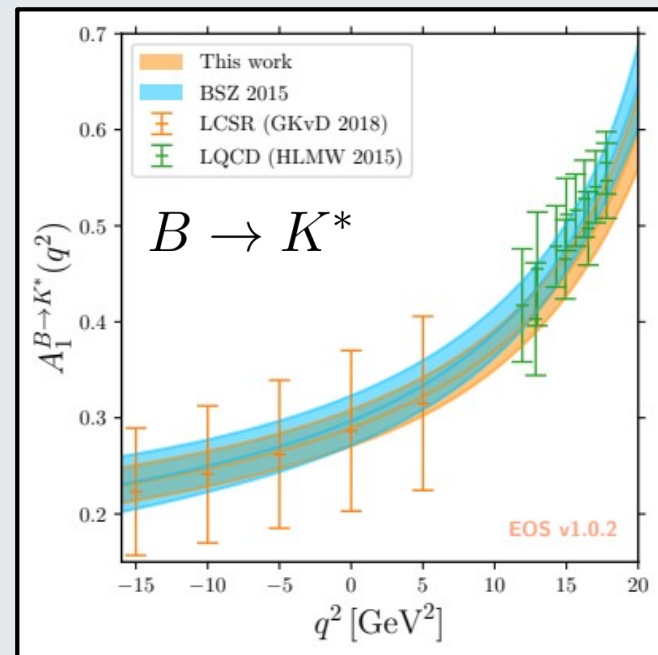
Local form factors

- **2 main approaches**

- **Lattice QCD** → most feasible at **large q^2**
- **Light-cone sum rules** → most feasible at **small q^2** ,
2 possible **LCSRs**

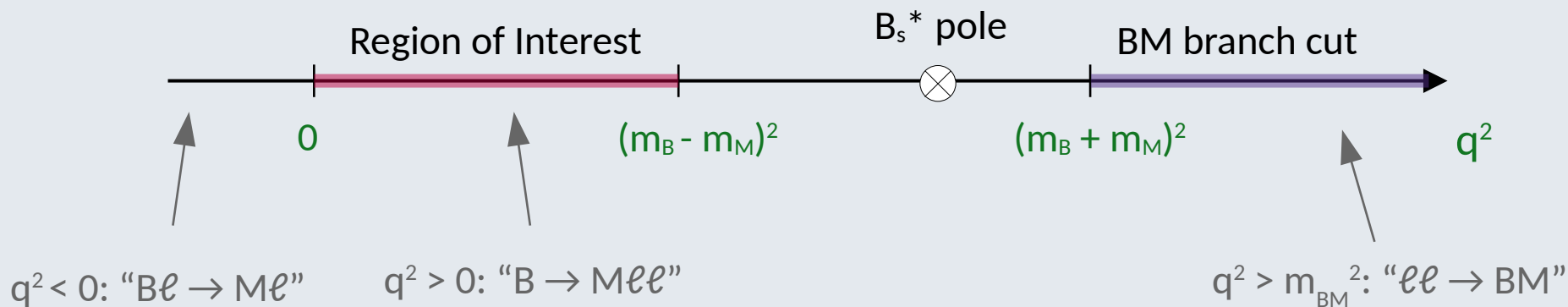
→ **Interpolation/Extrapolation**, depending on the use case

→ How to control extrapolation uncertainties



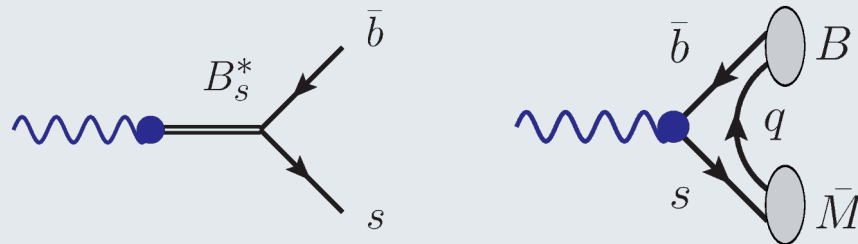
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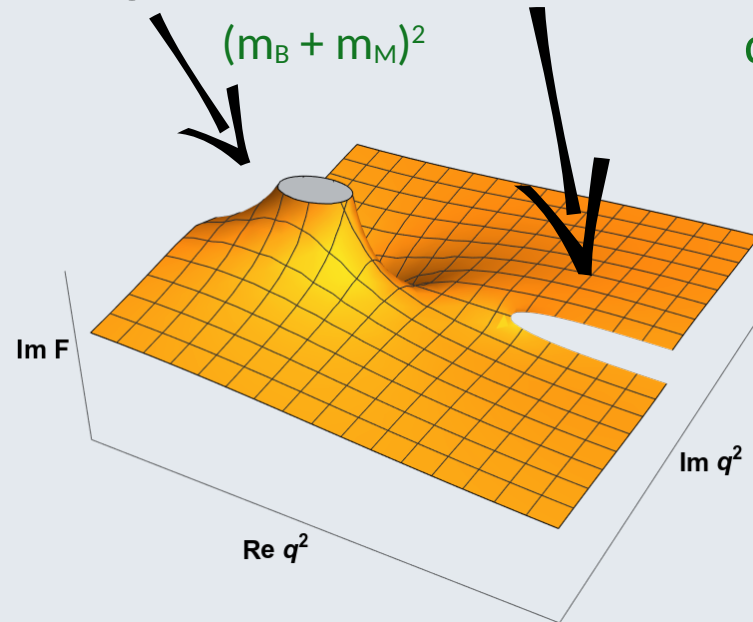
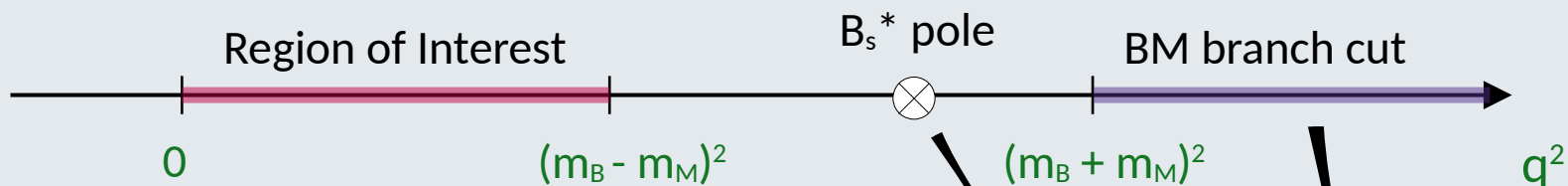
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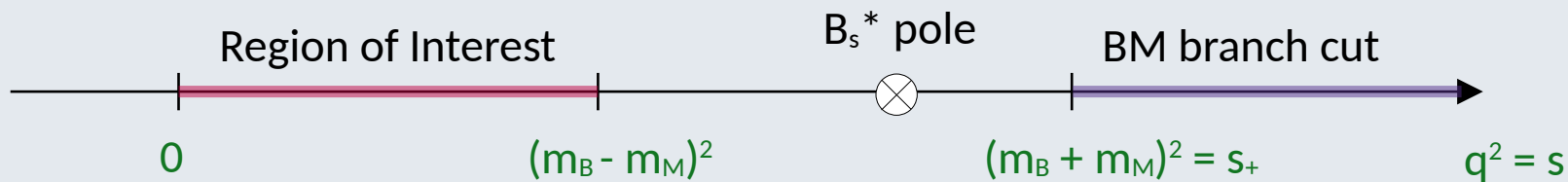
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Form Factor Parametrization

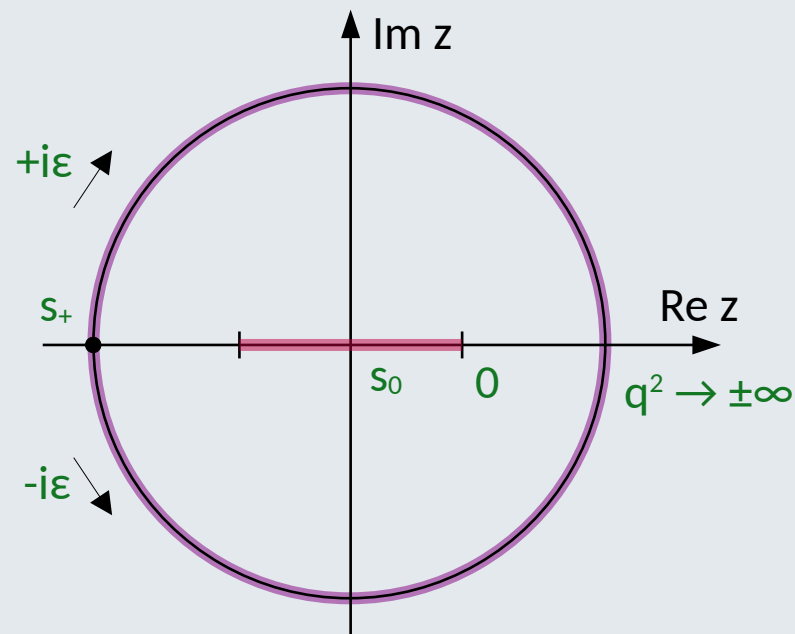


Conformal mapping [Boyd, Grinstein, Lebed '97]

$$z(s) \equiv \frac{\sqrt{s_+ - s} - \sqrt{s_+ - s_0}}{\sqrt{s_+ - s} + \sqrt{s_+ - s_0}}$$

Simplified Series expansion [Bourelly, Caprini, Lellouch, '08; Bharucha, Feldmann, Wick '10]

$$\mathcal{F}_\lambda^{(T)}(q^2) = \frac{1}{q^2 - m_{B_s^*}^2} \sum_{k=0}^N \alpha_{\lambda,k} z^k$$

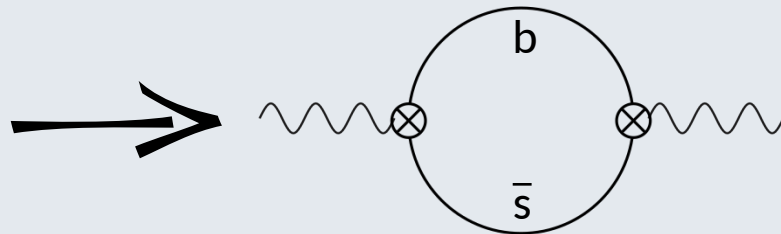


What is the uncertainty due to the truncation order N?

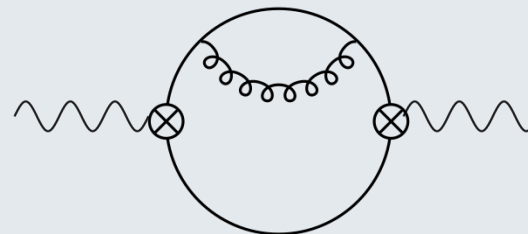
Dispersive bounds

- **Main idea:** Compute the inclusive $e^+e^- \rightarrow \bar{b}s$ cross-section and relate it to the form factors [Bharucha, Feldmann, Wick '10]

Insertion of a
scalar, vector or
tensor current



+ other diagrams:
loops, quark and gluon
condensates...



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- Usually, the correlator $\Pi_{\Gamma}^{\mu\nu}(q) \equiv i \int d^4x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle 0 | \mathcal{T} \left\{ J_{\Gamma}^{\mu}(x) J_{\Gamma}^{\dagger, \nu}(0) \right\} | 0 \rangle$

is decomposed as:

$$\Pi_{\Gamma}^{\mu\nu}(q) \equiv \frac{q^{\mu} q^{\nu}}{q^2} \Pi_{\Gamma}^{(J=0)} + \frac{1}{D-1} \left(\frac{q^{\mu} q^{\nu}}{q^2} - g^{\mu\nu} \right) \Pi_{\Gamma}^{(J=1)}$$

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- We suggest the more generic decomposition:

$$\Pi_{\Gamma}^{\mu\nu}(q) \equiv \sum_{\lambda, \lambda'} \epsilon^{\mu}(\lambda) \epsilon^{\nu*}(\lambda') \Pi_{\Gamma}^{(\lambda, \lambda')}(q^2)$$


Polarization vectors

Dispersive bounds

- In equations:

- This is the bound used in the literature:

$$\chi_A^{(J=1)} \Big|_{BK^*} = \frac{\eta^{B \rightarrow K^*}}{24\pi^2} \int_{(M_B + M_{K^*})^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\lambda_{\text{kin}}^{1/2}}{s^2(s - Q^2)^3} \left[s (M_B + M_{K^*})^2 |A_1^{B \rightarrow K^*}|^2 + 32 M_B^2 M_{K^*}^2 |A_{12}^{B \rightarrow K^*}|^2 \right]$$

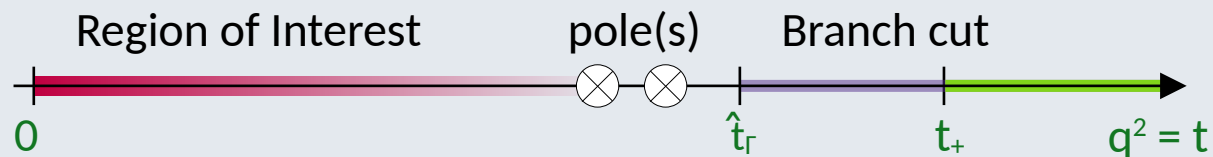
- And this is what we propose:

$$\chi_A^{(0)} \Big|_{\bar{B}K^*} = \frac{\eta^{B \rightarrow K^*}}{\pi^2} \int_{(M_B + M_{K^*})^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\lambda_{\text{kin}}^{1/2}}{s^2(s - Q^2)^3} 4 M_B^2 M_{K^*}^2 |A_{12}^{B \rightarrow K^*}|^2,$$

$$\chi_A^{(\text{II})} \Big|_{\bar{B}K^*} = \frac{\eta^{B \rightarrow K^*}}{8\pi^2} \int_{(M_B + M_{K^*})^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\lambda_{\text{kin}}^{1/2}}{s^2(s - Q^2)^3} s (M_B + M_{K^*})^2 |A_1^{B \rightarrow K^*}|^2,$$

Summary

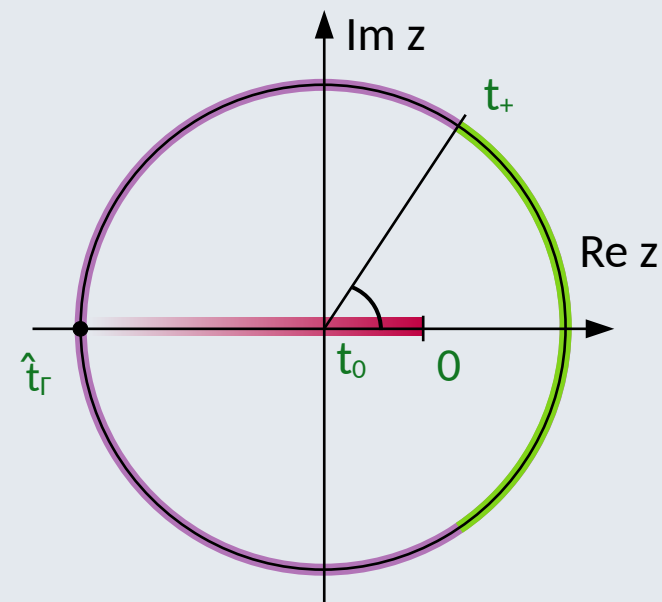
- Our parametrization
 - Implements **sub-threshold branch cuts**



- Diagonalizes the dispersive bounds:

$$\hat{\mathcal{F}}(\hat{z}) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n p_n(\hat{z}) \quad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\beta_n|^2 < 1$$

Orthonormal
polynomials of the arc
of the unit circle



Local form factors fit

- With this framework we perform the **first simultaneous fit** of $B \rightarrow K$, $B \rightarrow K^*$ and $B_s \rightarrow \varphi$ **LCSR** and **lattice QCD** inputs:
 - $B \rightarrow K$:
 - [HPQCD '13 and '22; FNAL/MILC '17]
 - ([Khodjamiriam, Rusov '17]) \rightarrow large uncertainties, not used in the fit
 - $B \rightarrow K^*$:
 - [Horgan, Liu, Meinel, Wingate '15]
 - [Gubernari, Kokulu, van Dyk '18] (B-meson LCSR)
 - $B_s \rightarrow \varphi$:
 - [Horgan, Liu, Meinel, Wingate '15]
 - [Gubernari, van Dyk, Virto '20] (B-meson LCSR)
- Baryonic decays should be added, but there are currently only few constraints

- Bayesian analysis using EOS eos.github.io
- Implementation of the dispersive bound:

$$-2 \log P(r) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r < 1, \\ \frac{(r-1)^2}{\sigma^2} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$



10% uncertainty on the OPE calculation
[Bharucha, Feldmann, Wick '10]

- **Stability criterion:** truncate the series expansion to $N = 2, 3, 4$ and compare the form factor uncertainties

- All the samples are considered to be **correlated only via the dispersive bounds**
- Since $B \rightarrow K$ and $(B \rightarrow K^*, B_s \rightarrow \varphi)$ are decoupled, we perform **3 separated fits**
- $B \rightarrow K^*$ and $B_s \rightarrow \varphi$ samples are combined with a weighting procedure:

$$w(r_{\Gamma,\lambda}^{B \rightarrow K^*}) = \int dr p_{\Gamma,\lambda}^{B_s \rightarrow \varphi}(r) \times P(\text{dispersive bound for } \Gamma, \lambda \mid r_{\Gamma,\lambda}^{1\text{pt}} + r_{\Gamma,\lambda}^{B \rightarrow K^*} + r)$$

Current-specific weight

Integration over the
 $B_s \rightarrow \varphi$ saturations PDF

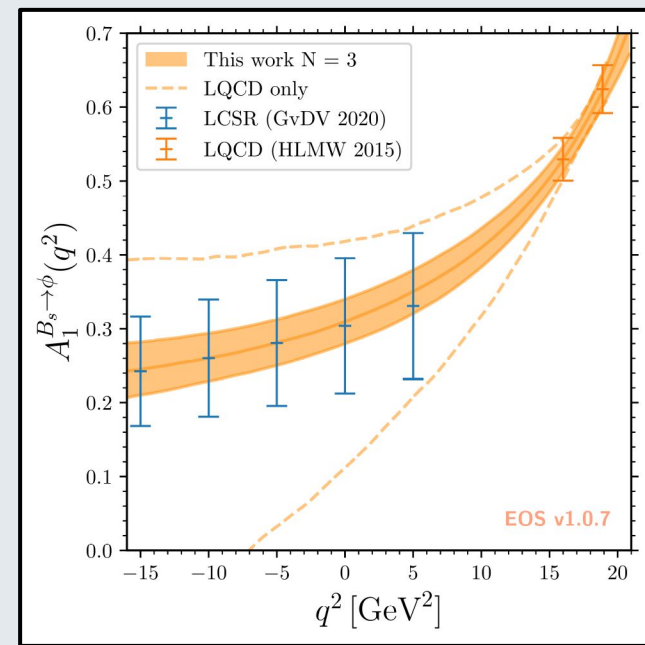
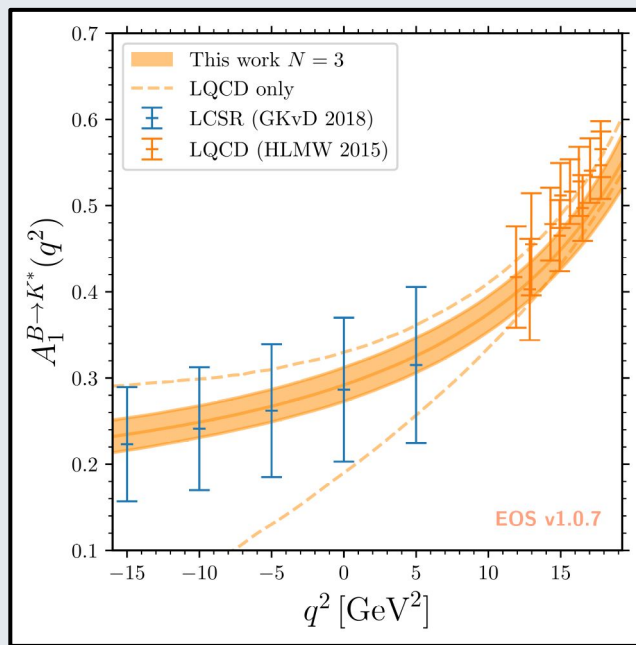
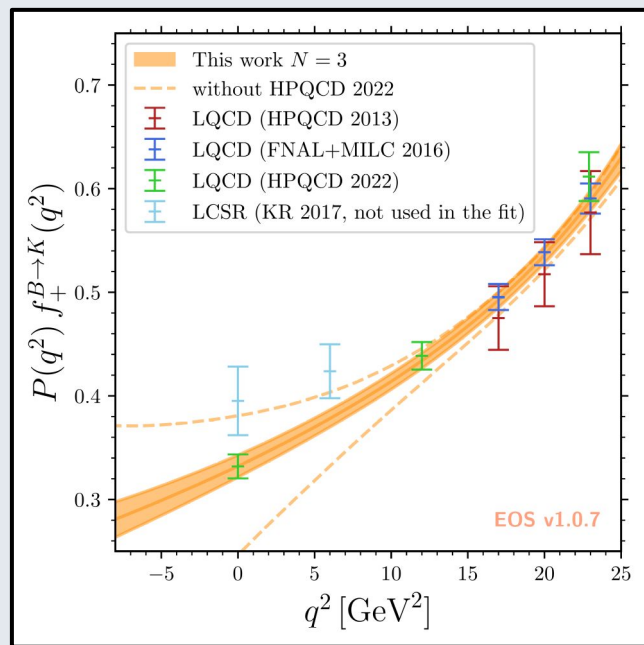
Dispersive bound of the previous slide

$$w^{B \rightarrow K^*} = \prod w(r_{\Gamma,\lambda}^{B \rightarrow K^*})$$

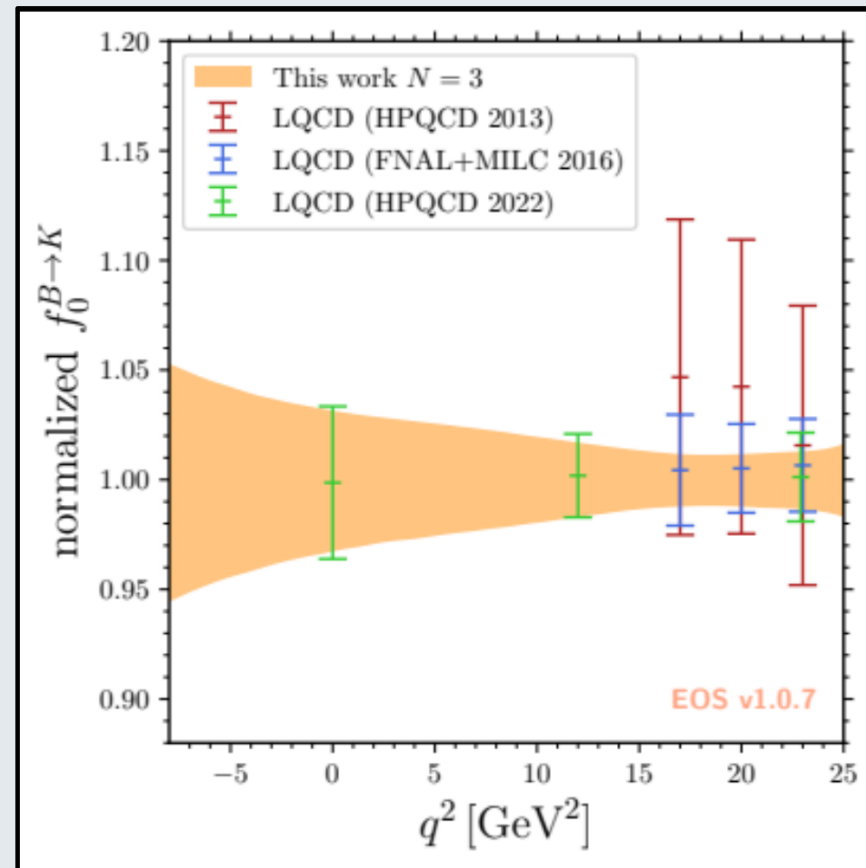
Results

Main conclusions:

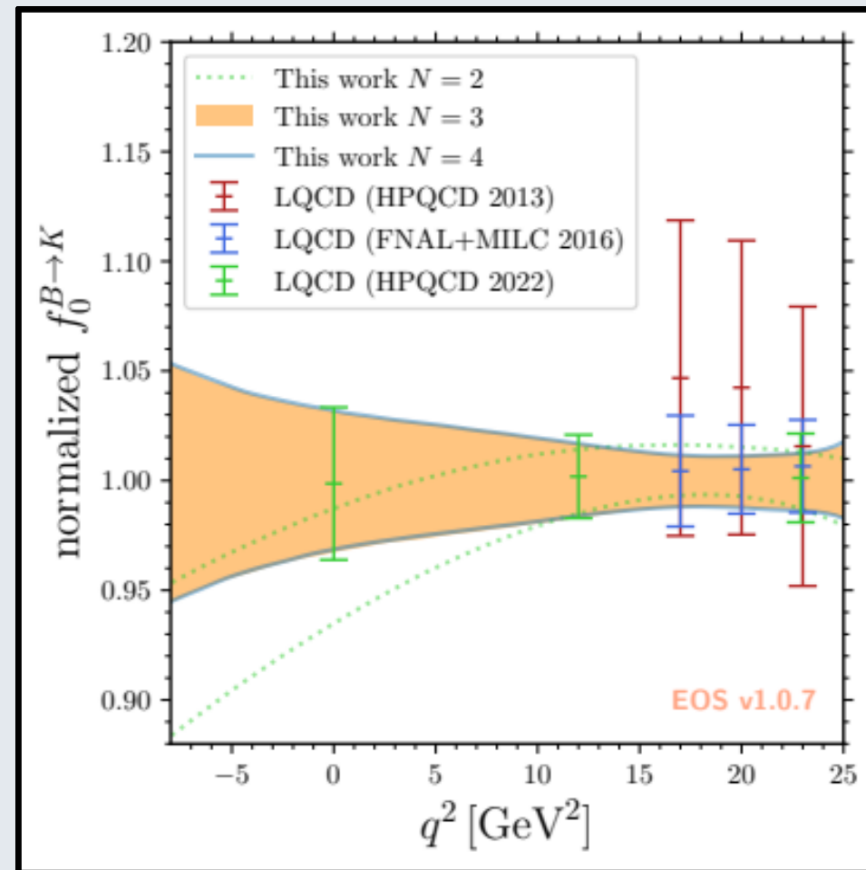
- Fits are very good already at $N = 2$ (p-values $> 77\%$)
- LCSR and LQCD combine nicely and still dominate the uncertainties
- Progresses in LQCD will eventually make LCSR irrelevant (?)



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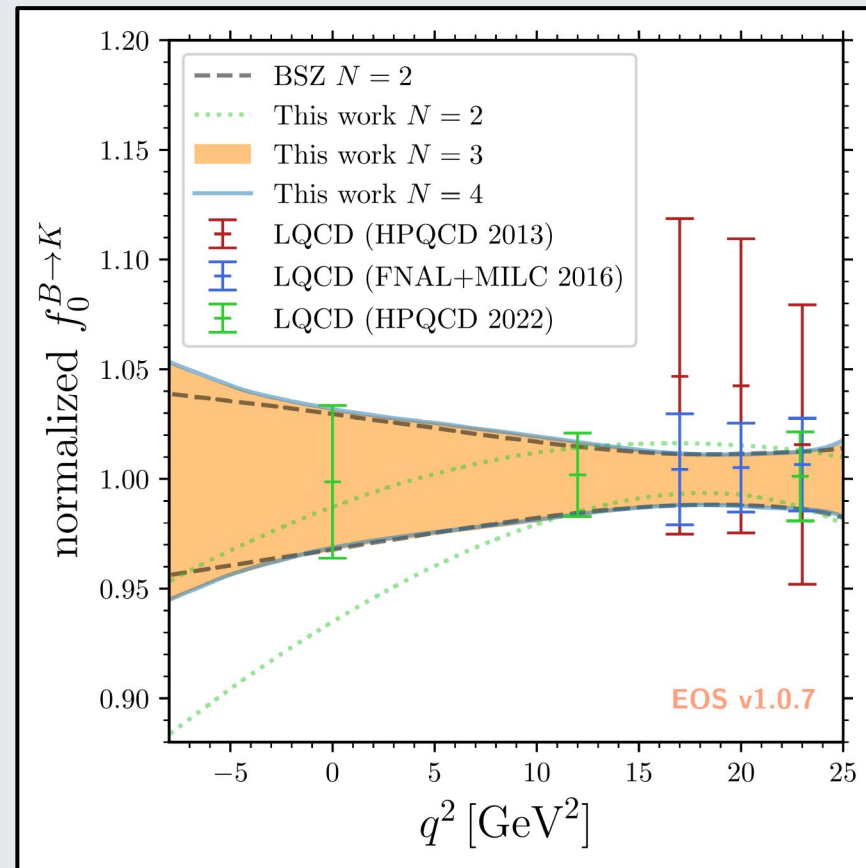


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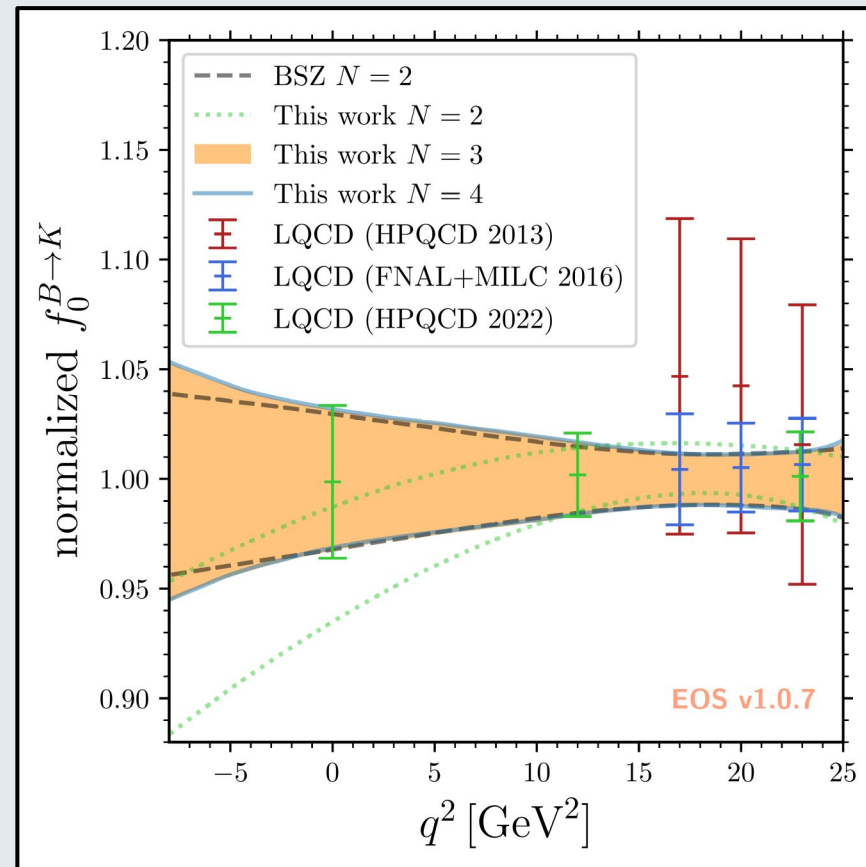
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- I also add the result of a usual Simplified Series Expansion *à la* [Bharucha, Feldmann, Wick '10; Bharucha, Straub, Zwicky '15]

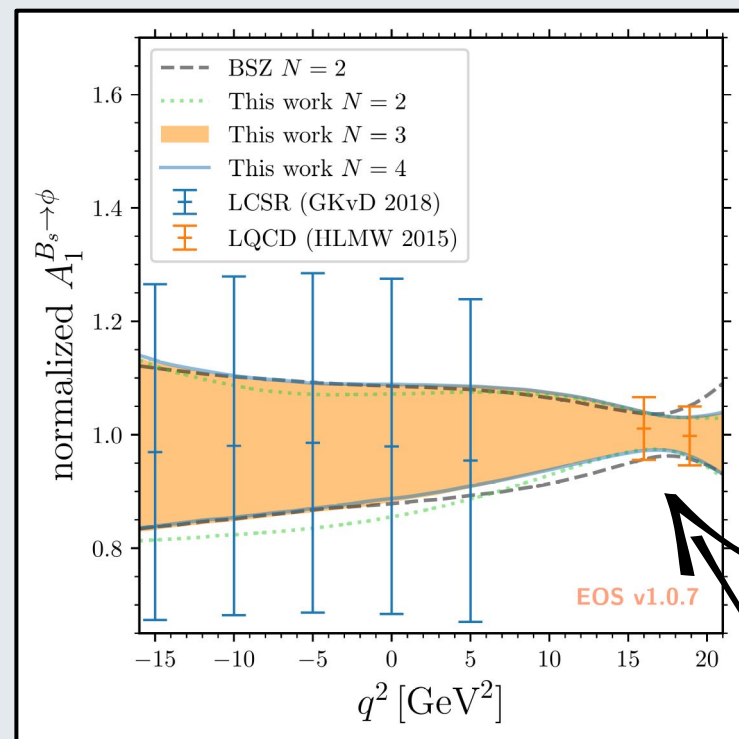
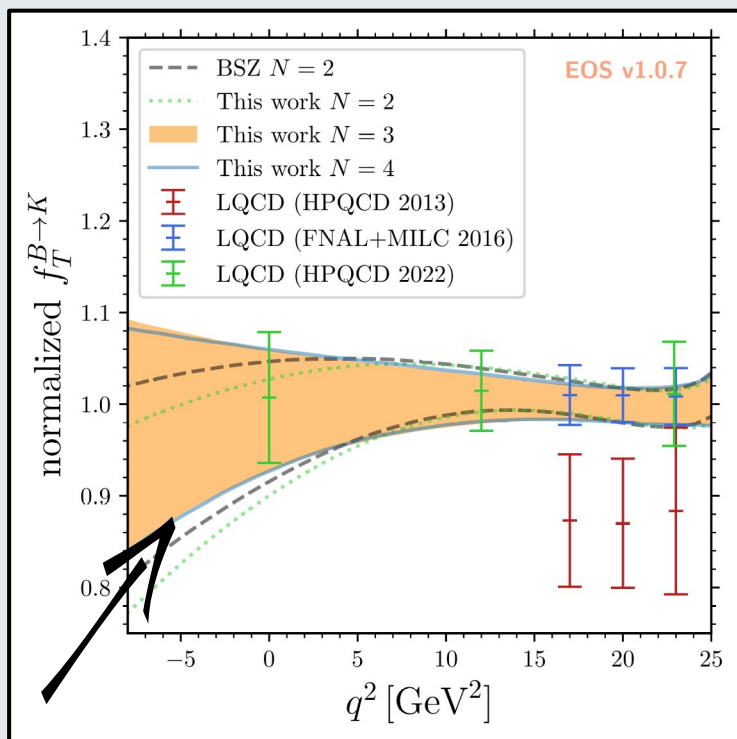
$$f(t) = \frac{1}{P(t)} \sum_k \tilde{\alpha}_k z^k(t, t_0)$$



This is the generic result, namely:

- $N = 2$ shows a peculiar behaviour
- For $N > 2$ the uncertainties are stable
- BSZ is a good approximation in the physical range, but underestimates the uncertainties at negative q^2





→ The dispersive bounds stabilizes regions of the phase space with few theory constraints

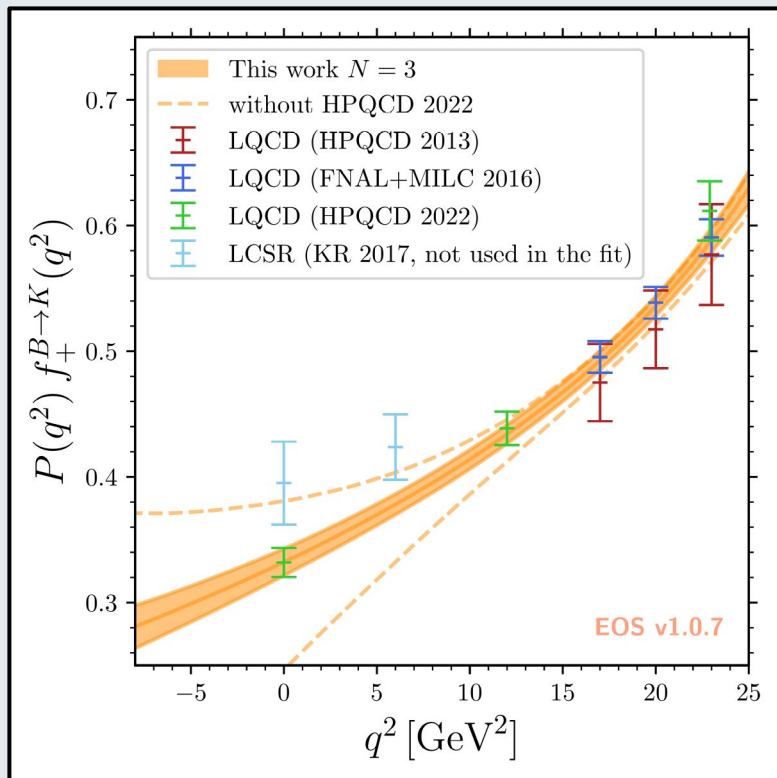
→ This is particularly useful at negative q^2 to estimate the non-local form factors

- All the plots are available here: <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7919635>
- We also added
 - the updated posterior distributions for $N = 2$ in our parametrization and using a SSE as YAML files
 - All the tools/documentation to reproduce our results
- These results are also available in **EOS v1.0.7**:
 - [/eos/constraints/B-to-P-form-factors.yaml](#)
 - [/eos/constraints/B-to-V-form-factors.yaml](#)

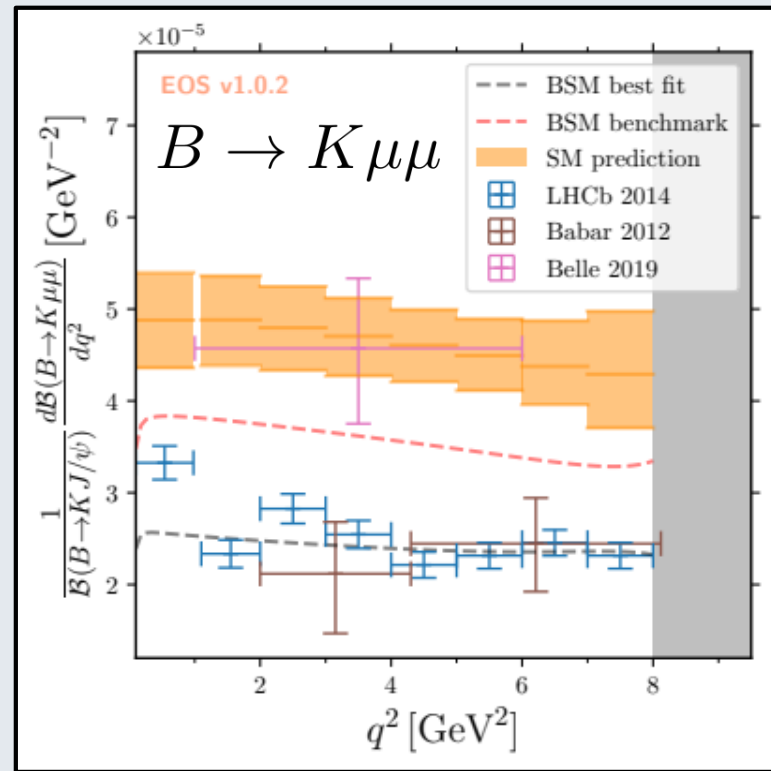
Discussing BSM models requires a solid understanding of the hadronic physics:

- **Local form factors** uncertainties can be controlled and reduced by using improved dispersive bound and a *appropriate* parametrization
 - This is the first global analysis of $b \rightarrow s$ form factors
 - It is reassuring as it confirms channel-specific analyses...
 - ... and promising as dispersive bounds start to affect the results
 - **Non-local form factors** can also be constrained by theory calculation and experimental measurements
- In both cases:
- Uncertainties are still large, but controlled by dispersive bounds
 - Our approach is systematically improvable

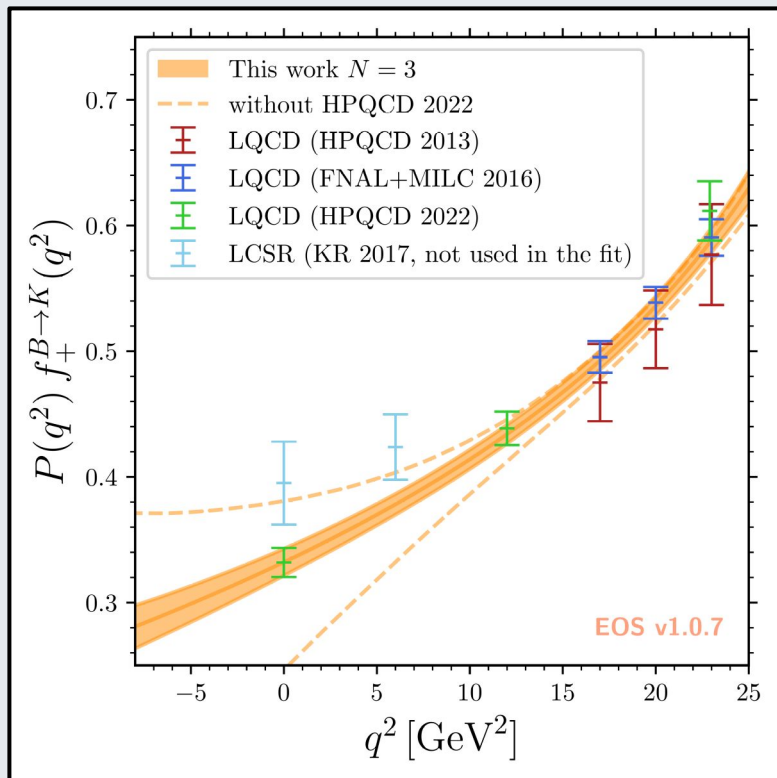
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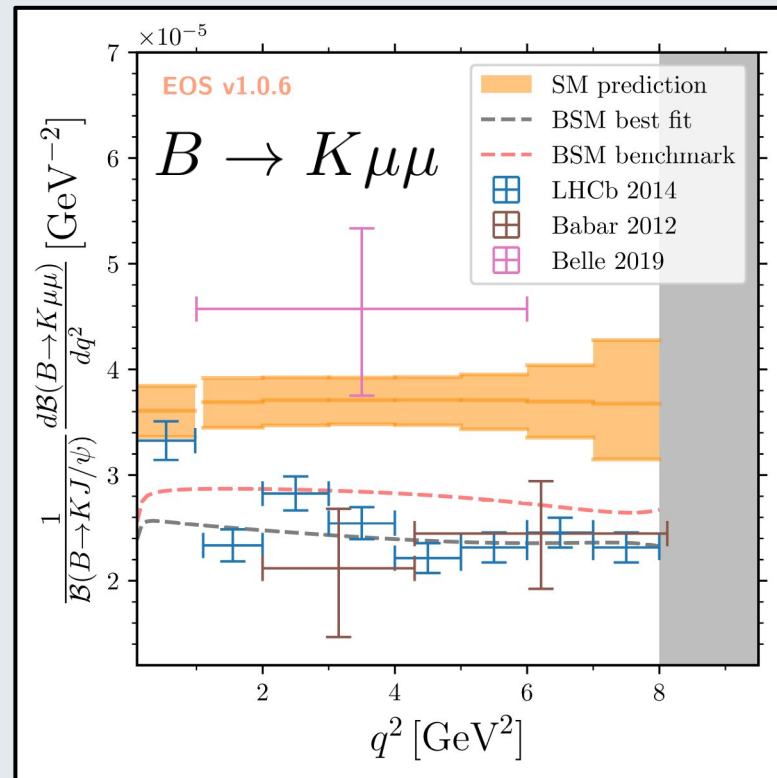
With Khodjamirian-Rusov 2017

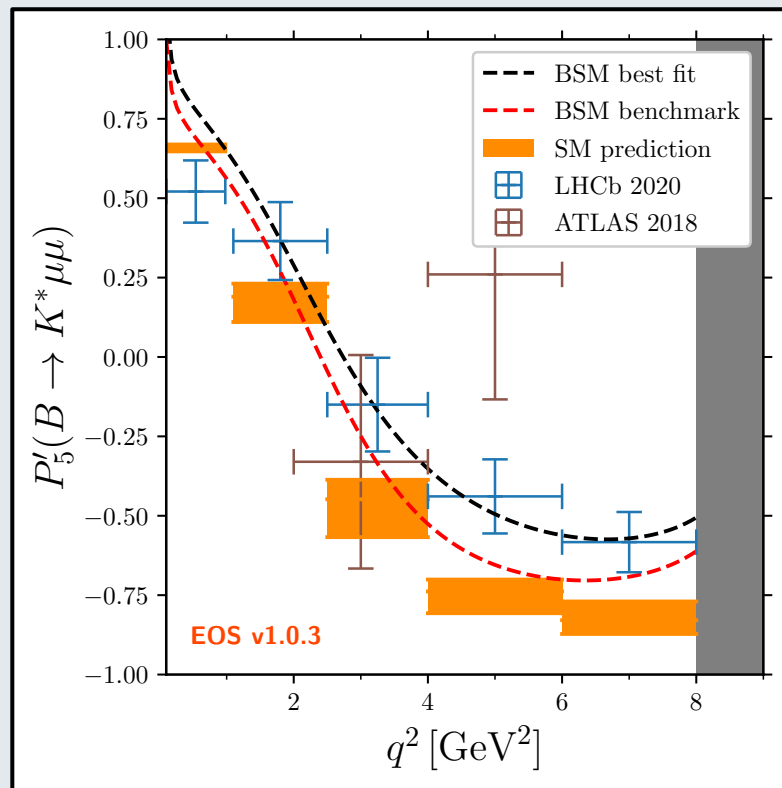
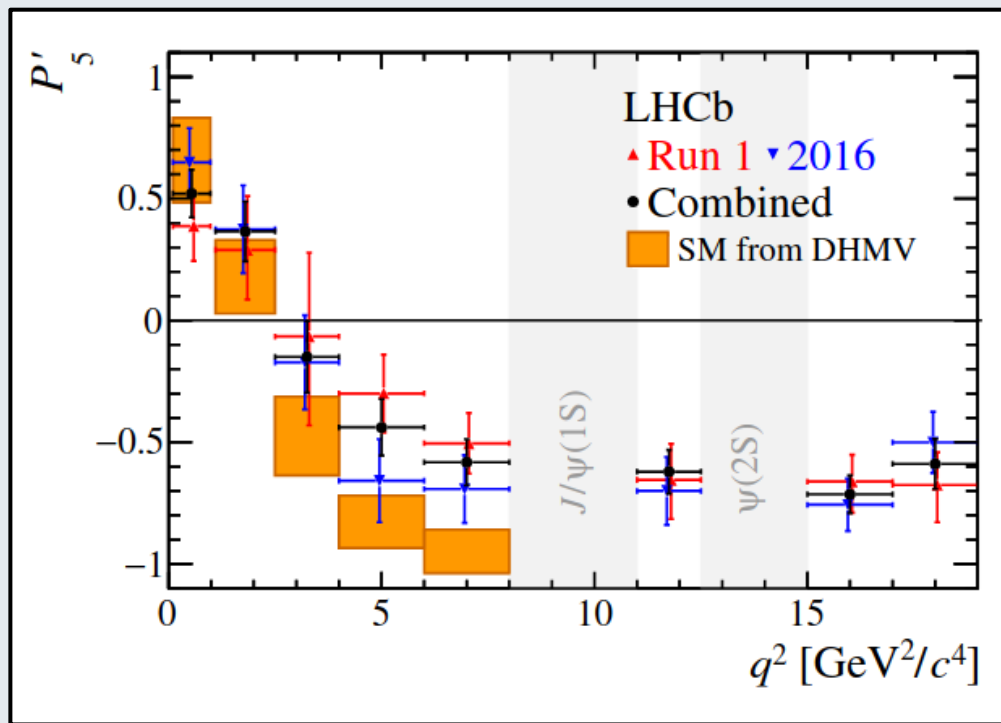


[Gubernari, MR, van Dyk, Virto '22]

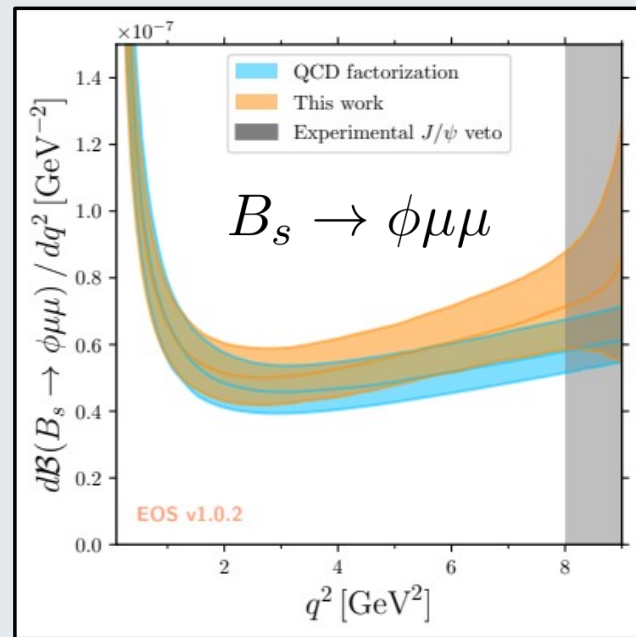
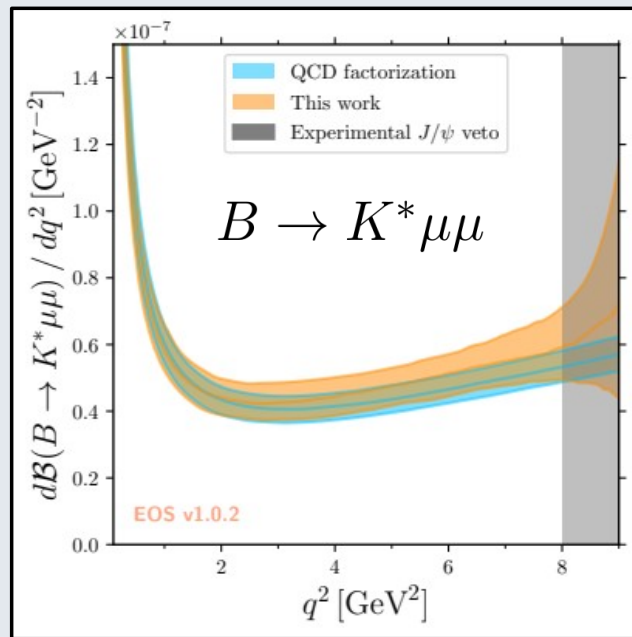
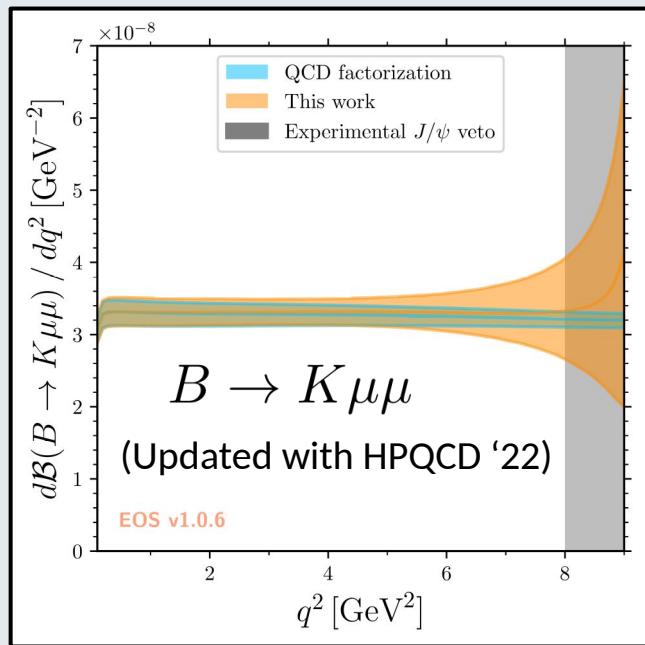


With HPQCD 2022





- Good overall agreement with previous theoretical approaches [Beneke, Feldman, Seidel '01 & '04]
 - Small deviation in the slope of $B_s \rightarrow \phi\mu\mu$
- Larger but controlled uncertainties especially near the J/ψ
 - The approach is **systematically improvable** (new channels, $\psi(2S)$ data...)



- Conservatively accounting for the non-local form factors does not solve the $b \rightarrow s\mu\mu$ anomalies
- The largest source of theoretical uncertainty at low q^2 still comes from local form factors

Experimental results:
 [Babar: 1204.3933; Belle: 1908.01848, 1904.02440; ATLAS: 1805.04000, CMS: 1308.3409, 1507.08126, 2010.13968, LHCb: 1403.8044, 2012.13241, 2003.04831, 1606.04731, 2107.13428]

