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# Machine-learning techniques as noise reduction strategies in lattice calculations of the muon $g - 2$

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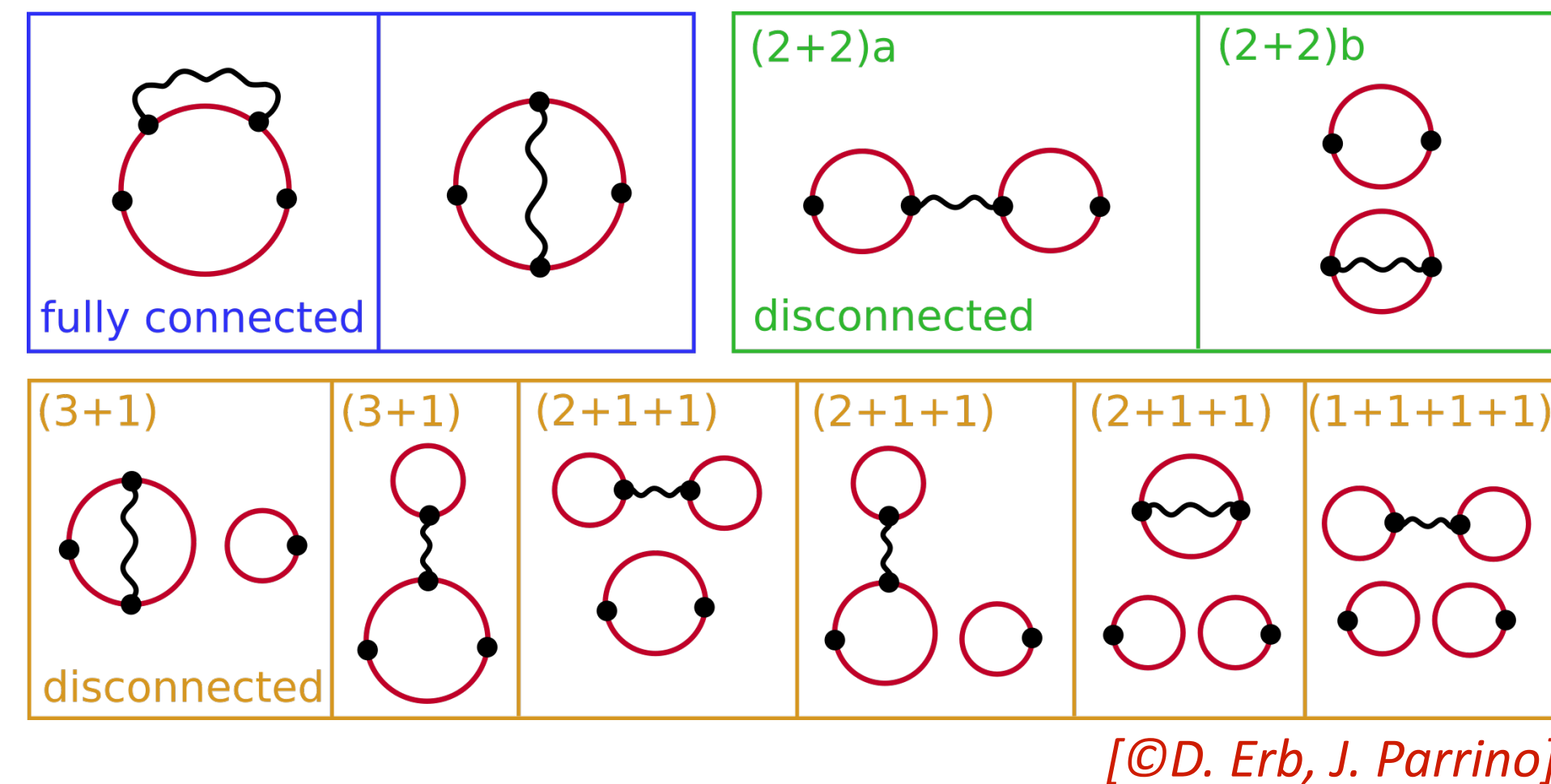
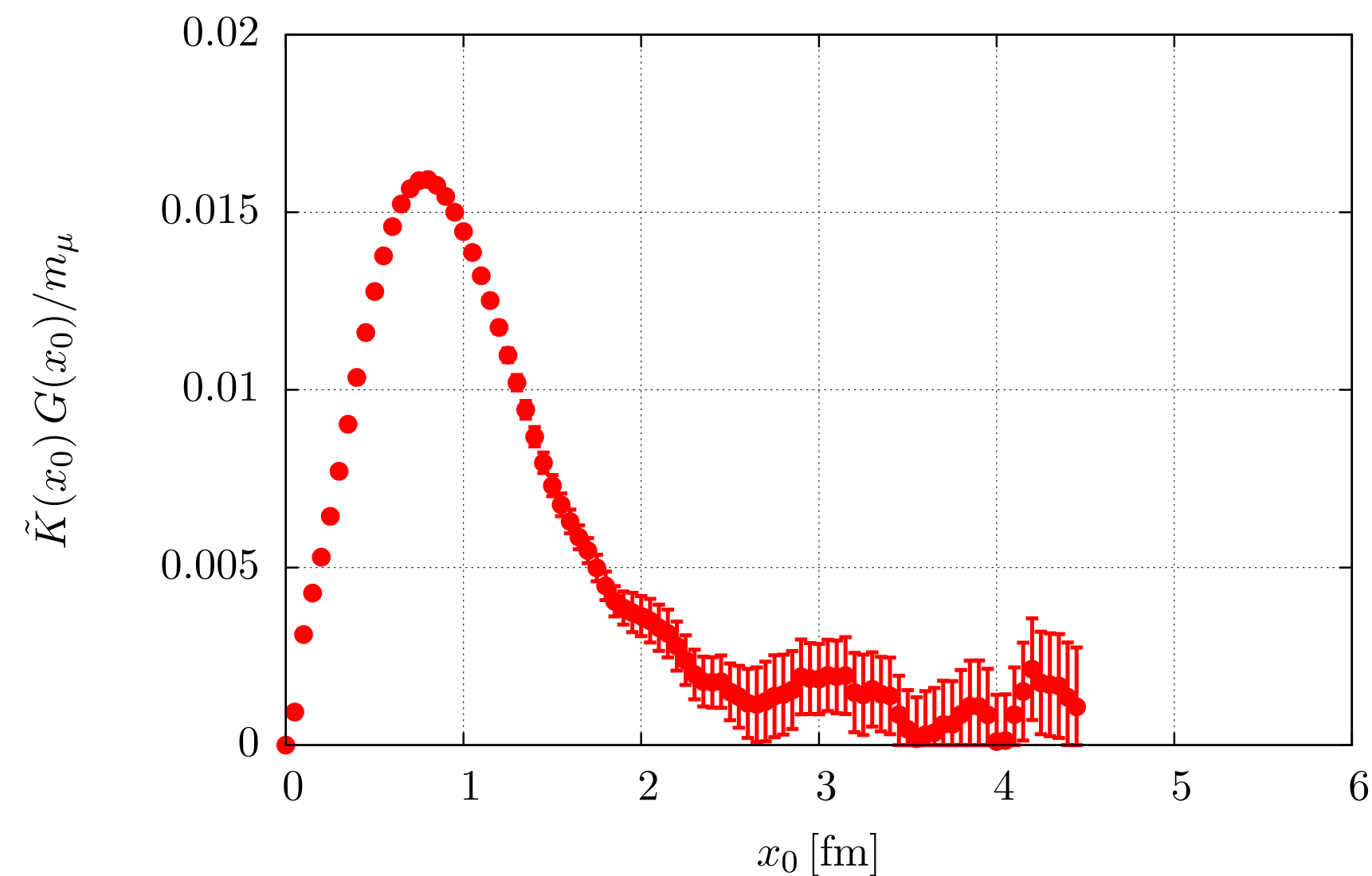
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# Motivation

Lattice QCD calculations of precision observables involve high numerical cost:

- Exponential rise of statistical noise at large distances
- Isospin-breaking corrections numerically small but expensive to compute



Idea: use trained neural net to

- Produce approximate estimates for correlation functions at low numerical cost
- Predict “expensive” contribution using a “cheap” observable

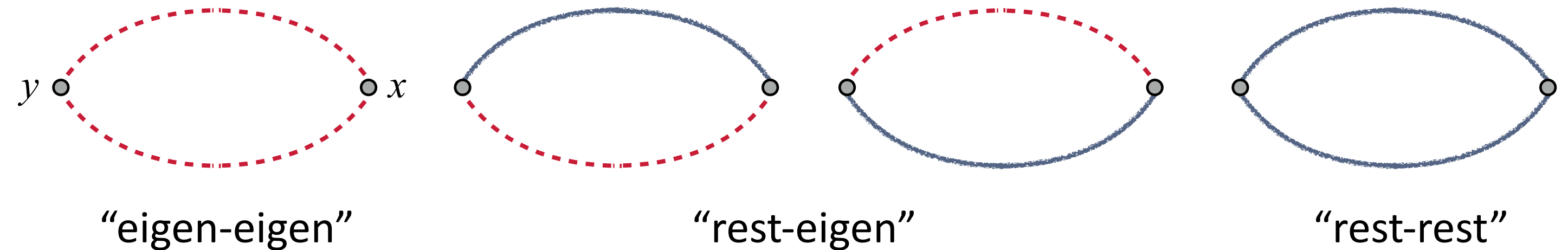
# Low-mode averaging

[Giusti, Hernández, Weisz, H.W. 2004; DeGrand and Schaefer 2004]

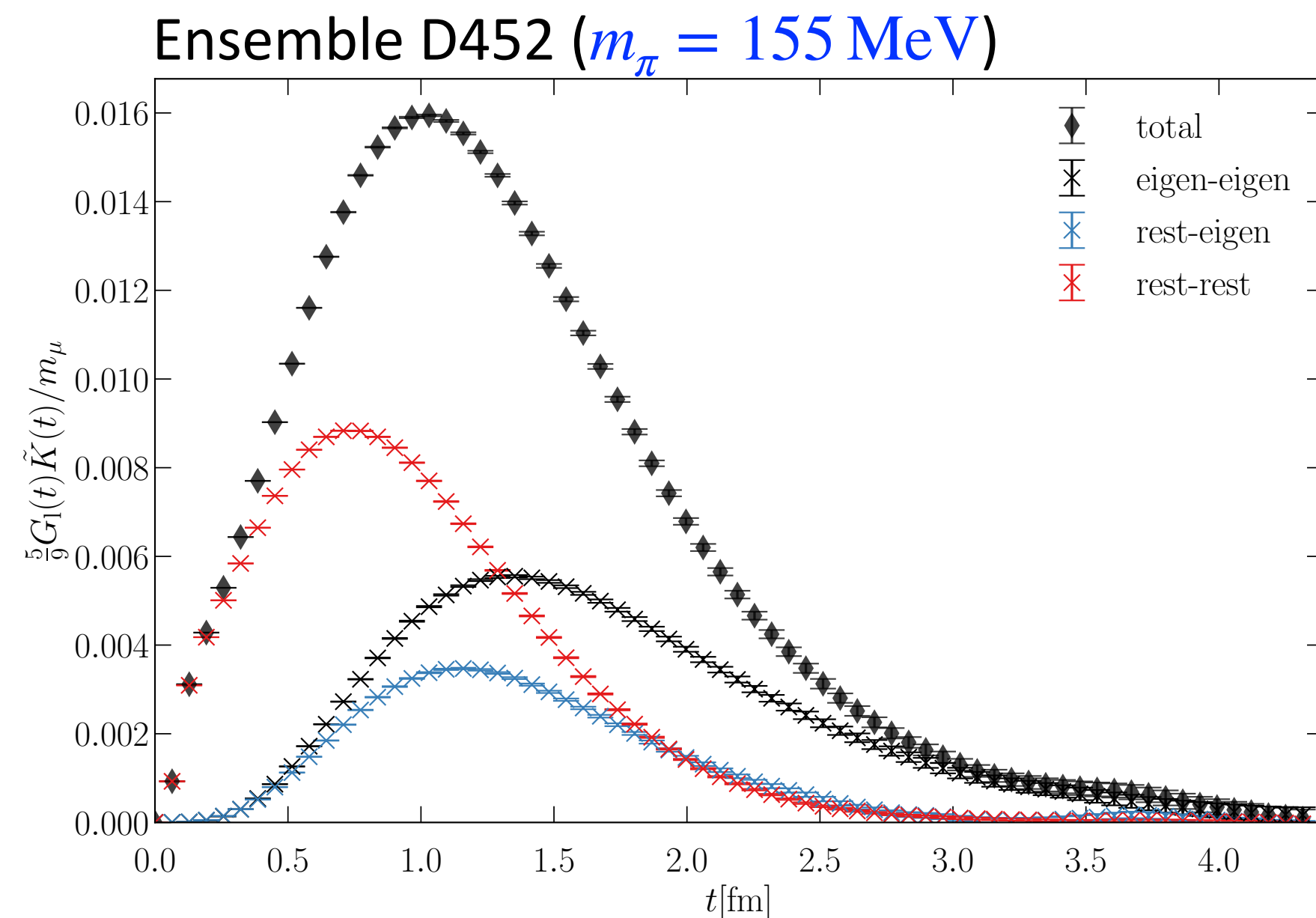
Split quark propagator into low-mode contribution and that from orthogonal complement

$$S(y, x) = S_{\text{eigen}}(y, x) + S_{\text{rest}}(y, x) \quad S_{\text{eigen}}(y, x) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{low}}} \lambda_i^{-1} v_i(x) \otimes (\gamma_5 v_i(y))^\dagger, \quad (\gamma_5 D_w) v_i(x) = \lambda_i v_i(x)$$

Two-point correlation function:



- “eigen-eigen” part dominates long-distance regime
- “rest-eigen” part always sub-dominant, but numerical effort scales  $\sim N_{\text{low}} = \mathcal{O}(1000)$



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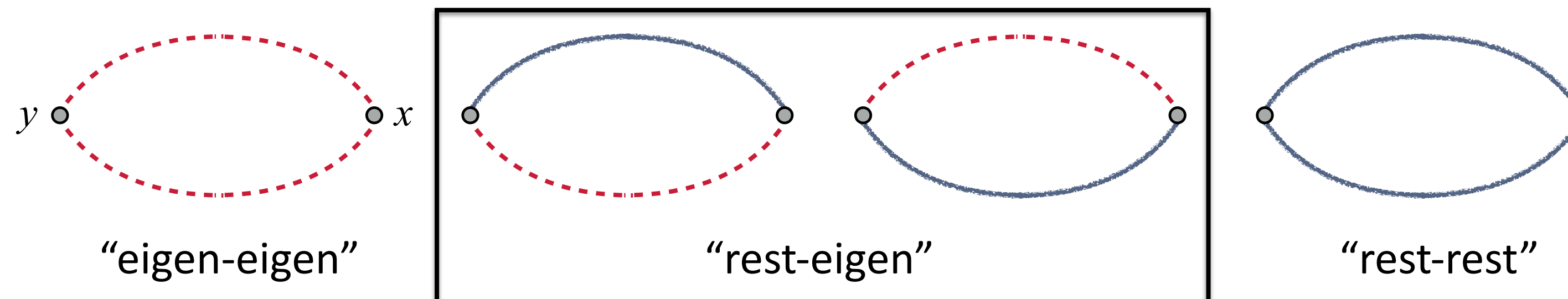
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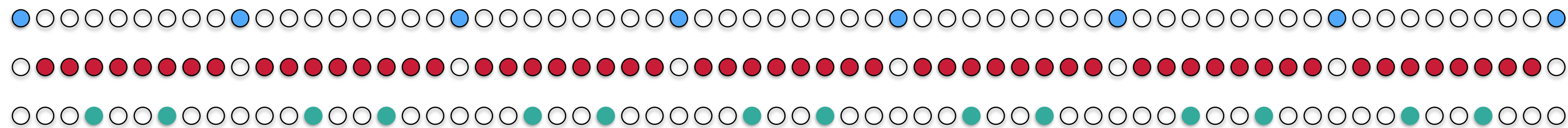
Here: predict “rest-eigen” contribution given the “eigen-eigen” and “rest-rest” as input





# Setup

Divide configurations within one ensemble into subsets for **training**, **prediction** and **bias correction**



Fully connected neural network with one hidden layer to predict all timeslices simultaneously:

- ReLU activation functions on hidden layer, linear activation function on output layers
- Dropout layers to help with overfitting

“rest-rest” and “eigen-eigen” contributions as input  $\rightarrow$  Input layers of size  $2 \cdot (T/a)$

“rest-eigen” contribution entering the loss function  $\rightarrow$  Output layer of size  $(T/a)$

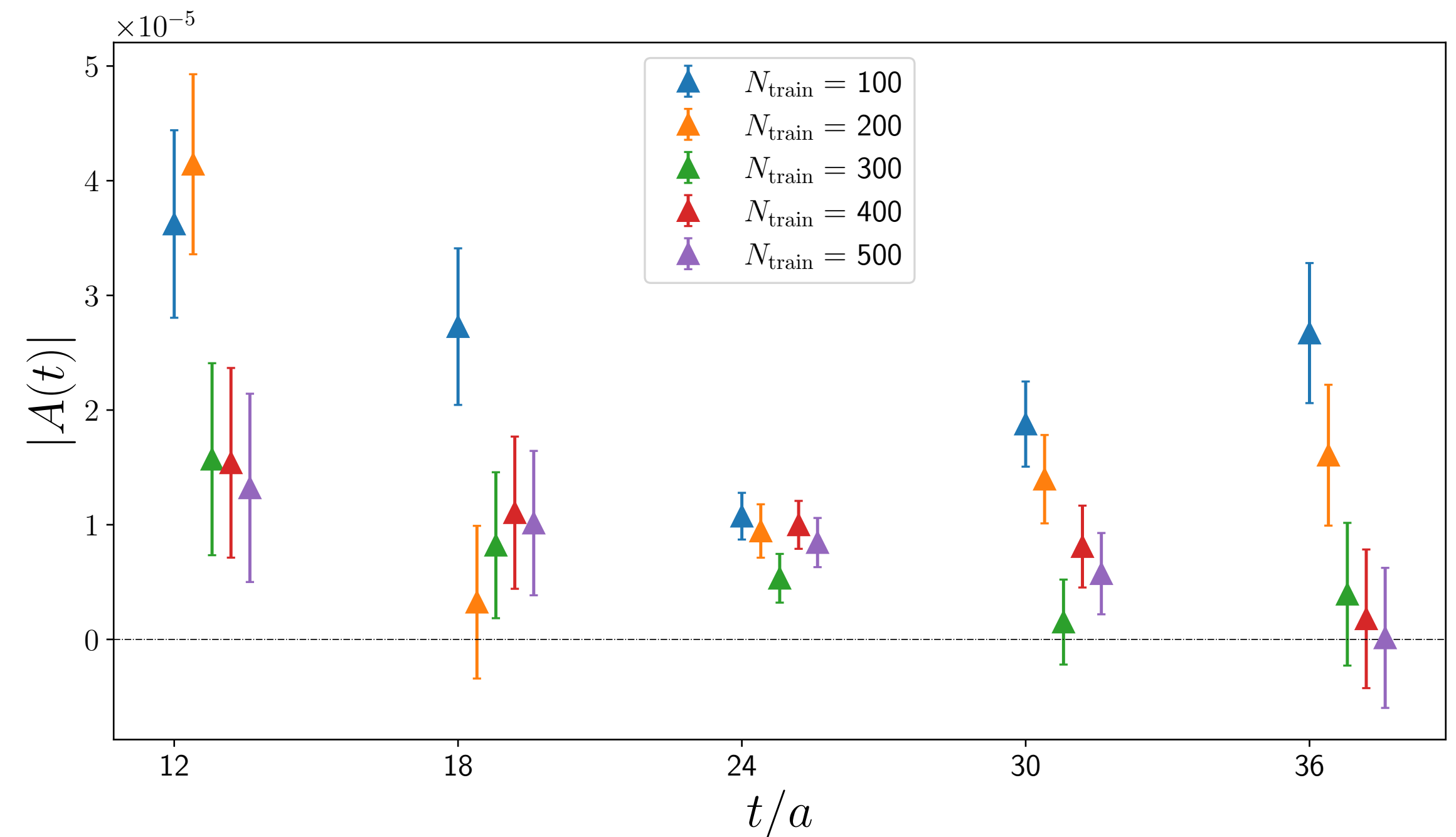
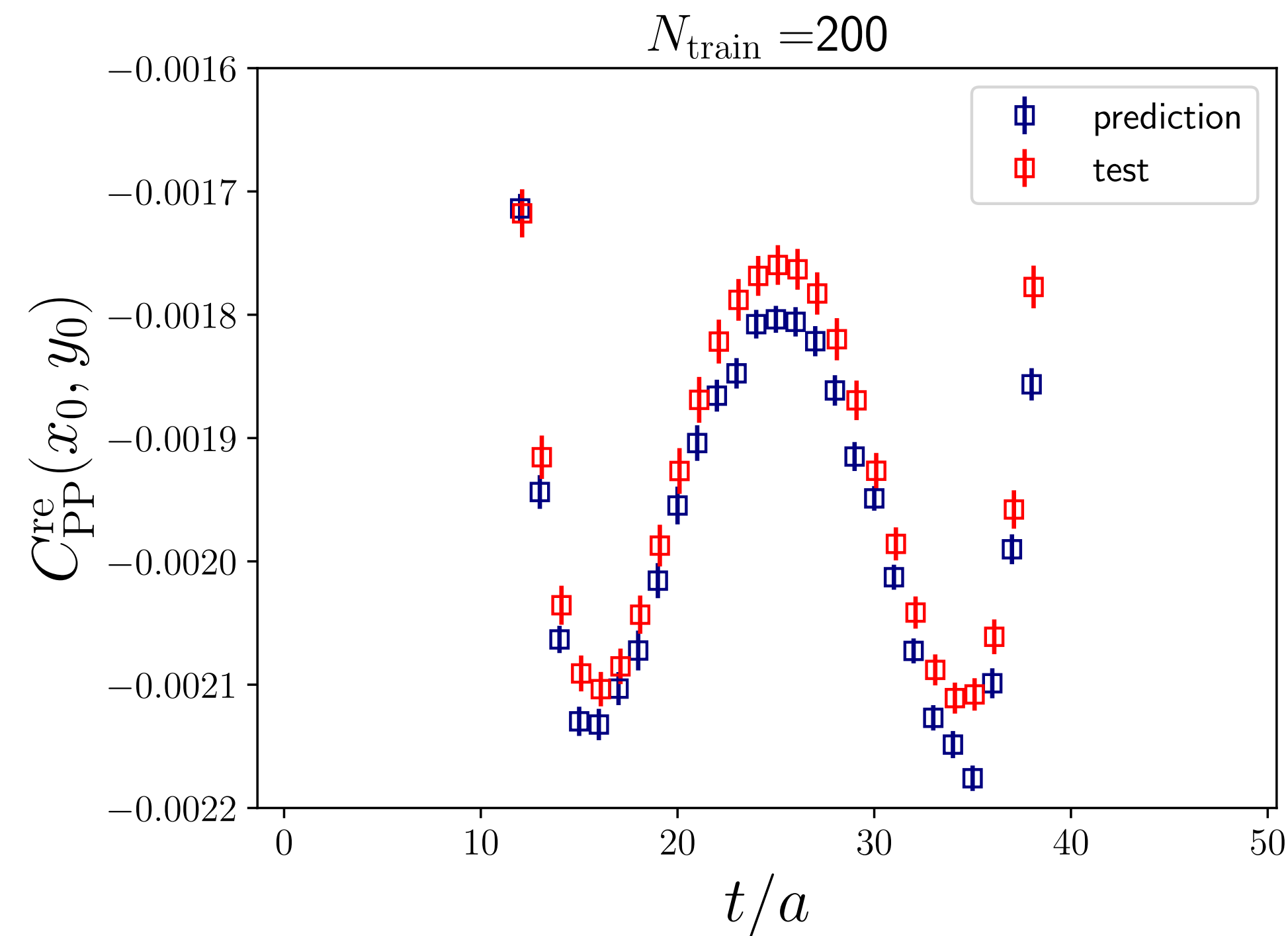
Ensembles:

$$\text{A654: } L/a = 24, T/a = 48, m_\pi \simeq 420 \text{ MeV}, N_{\text{cfg}} = 2500$$

$$\text{D450: } L/a = 64, T/a = 128, m_\pi \simeq 280 \text{ MeV}, N_{\text{cfg}} = 500$$

# Pseudoscalar correlator: rest-eigen contribution

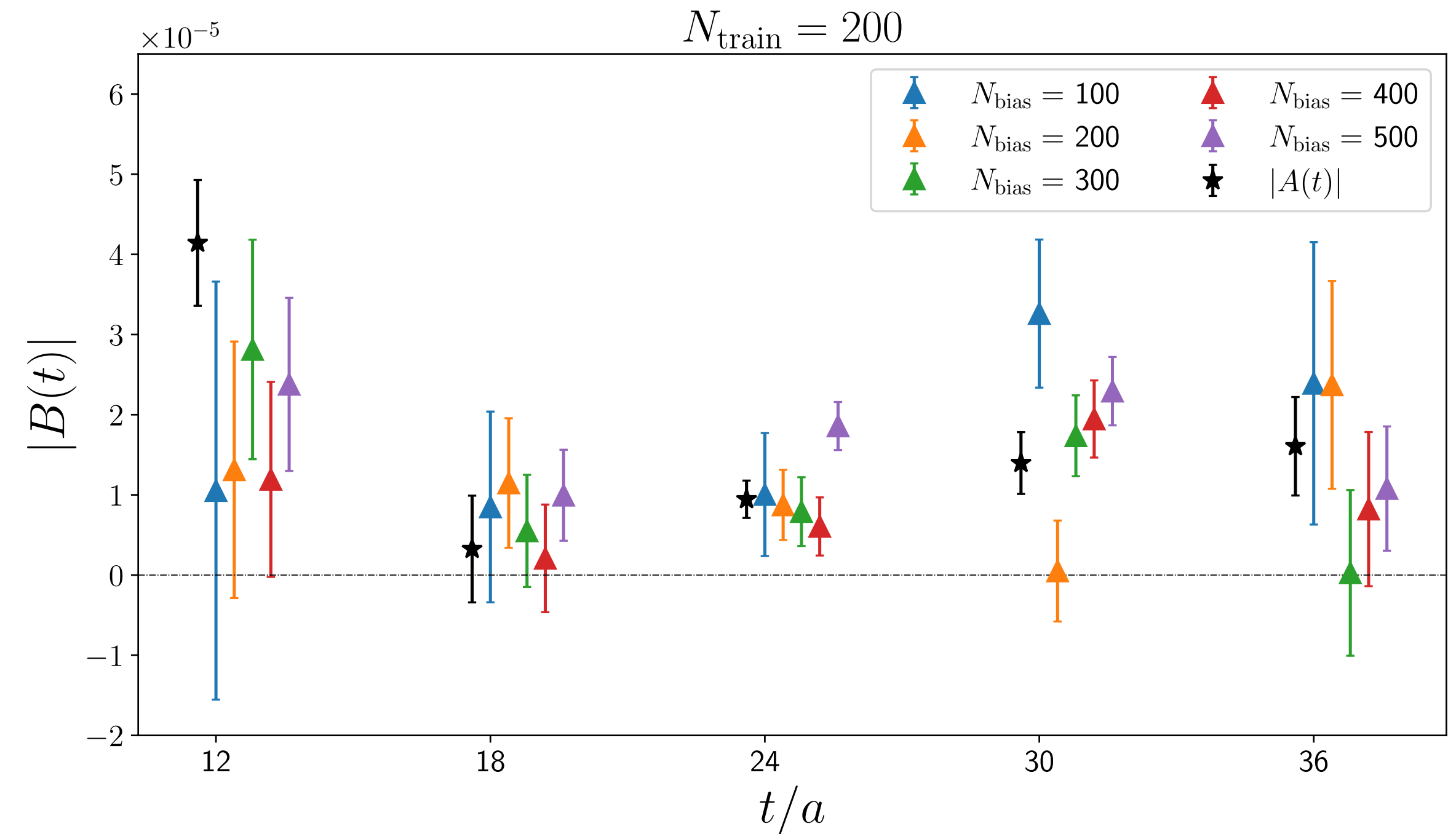
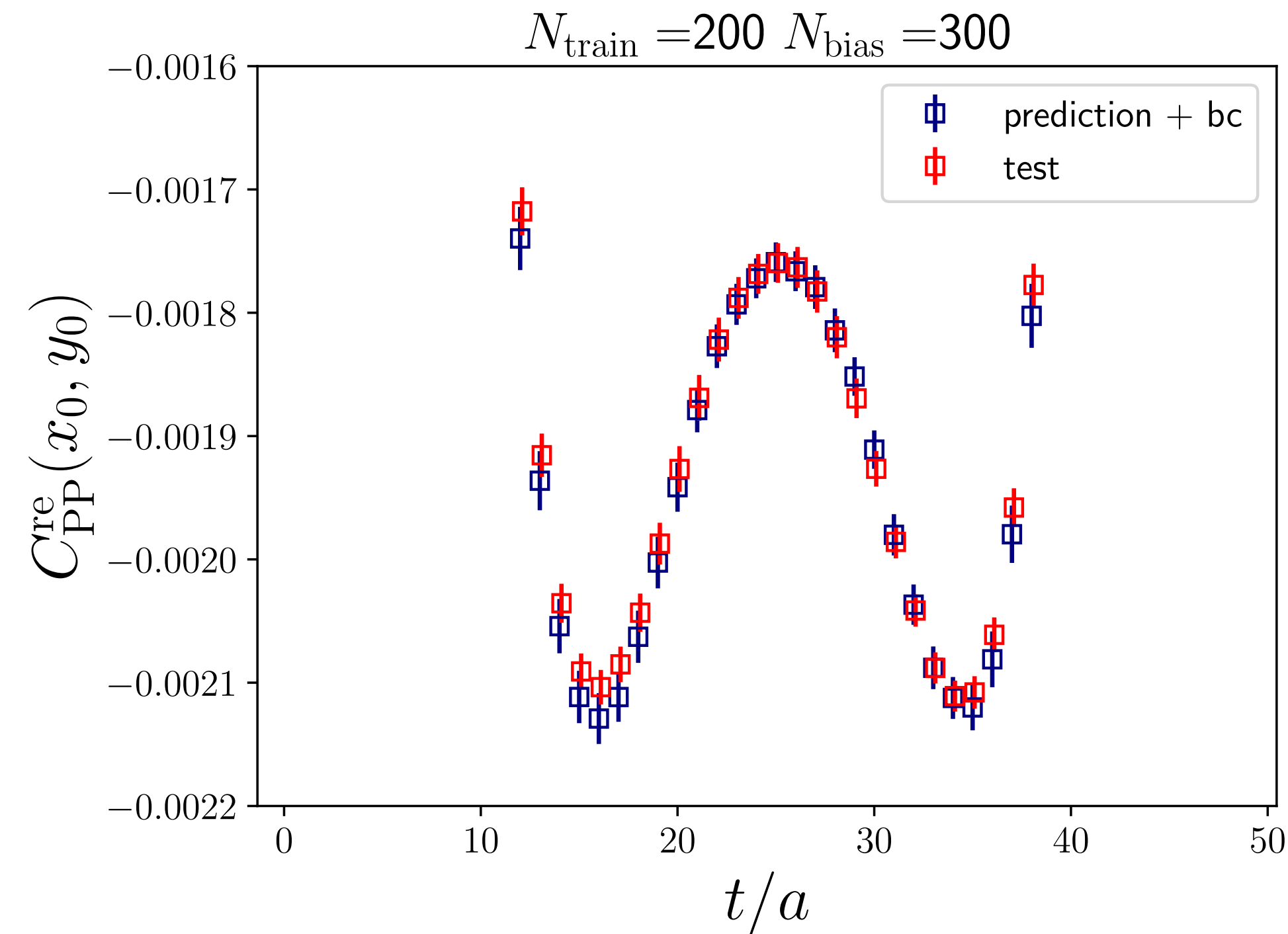
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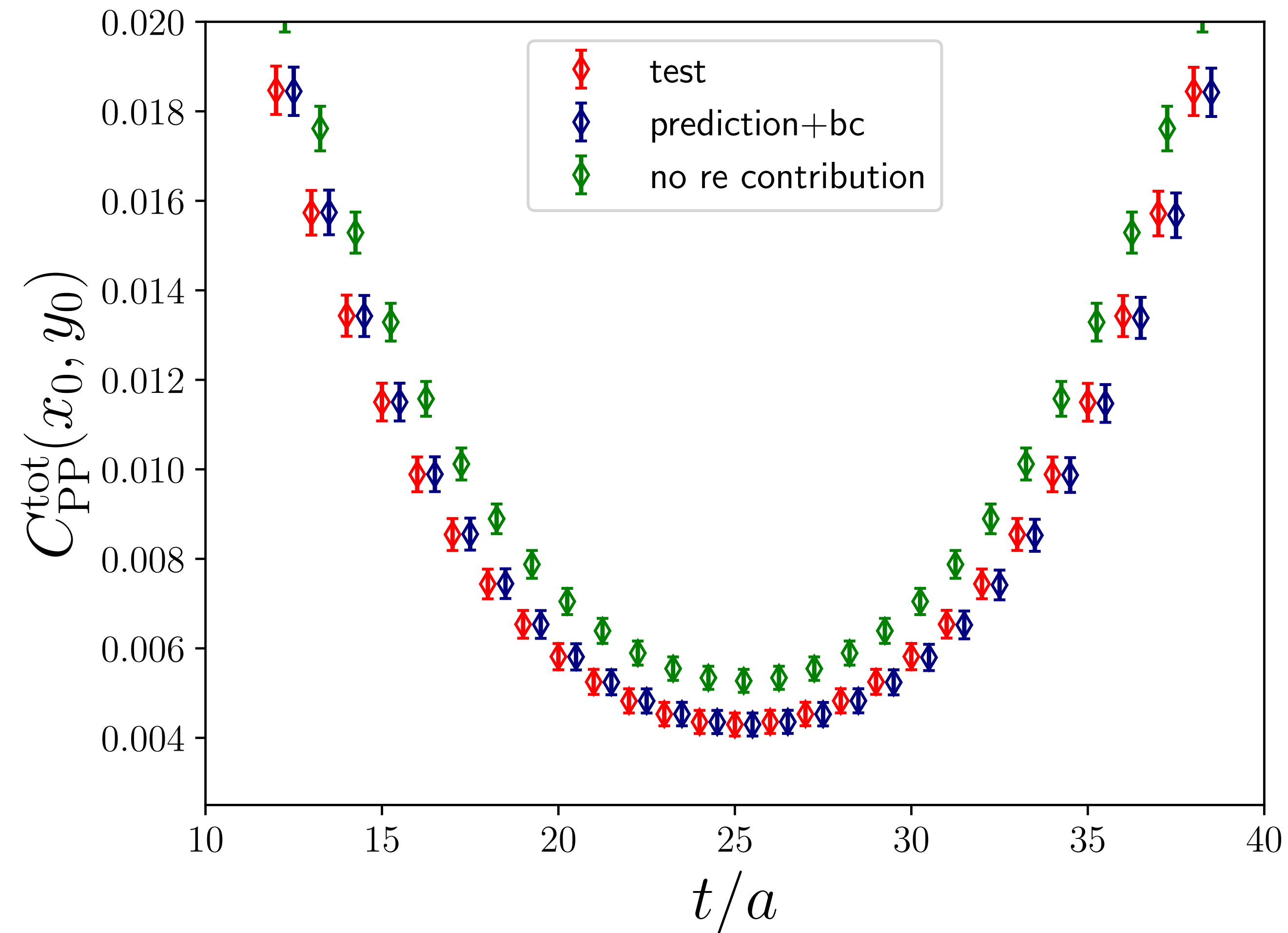
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$$B(t) = \langle C^{\text{exact}}(t) - C^{\text{pred}}(t) \rangle_{\text{bias}}$$



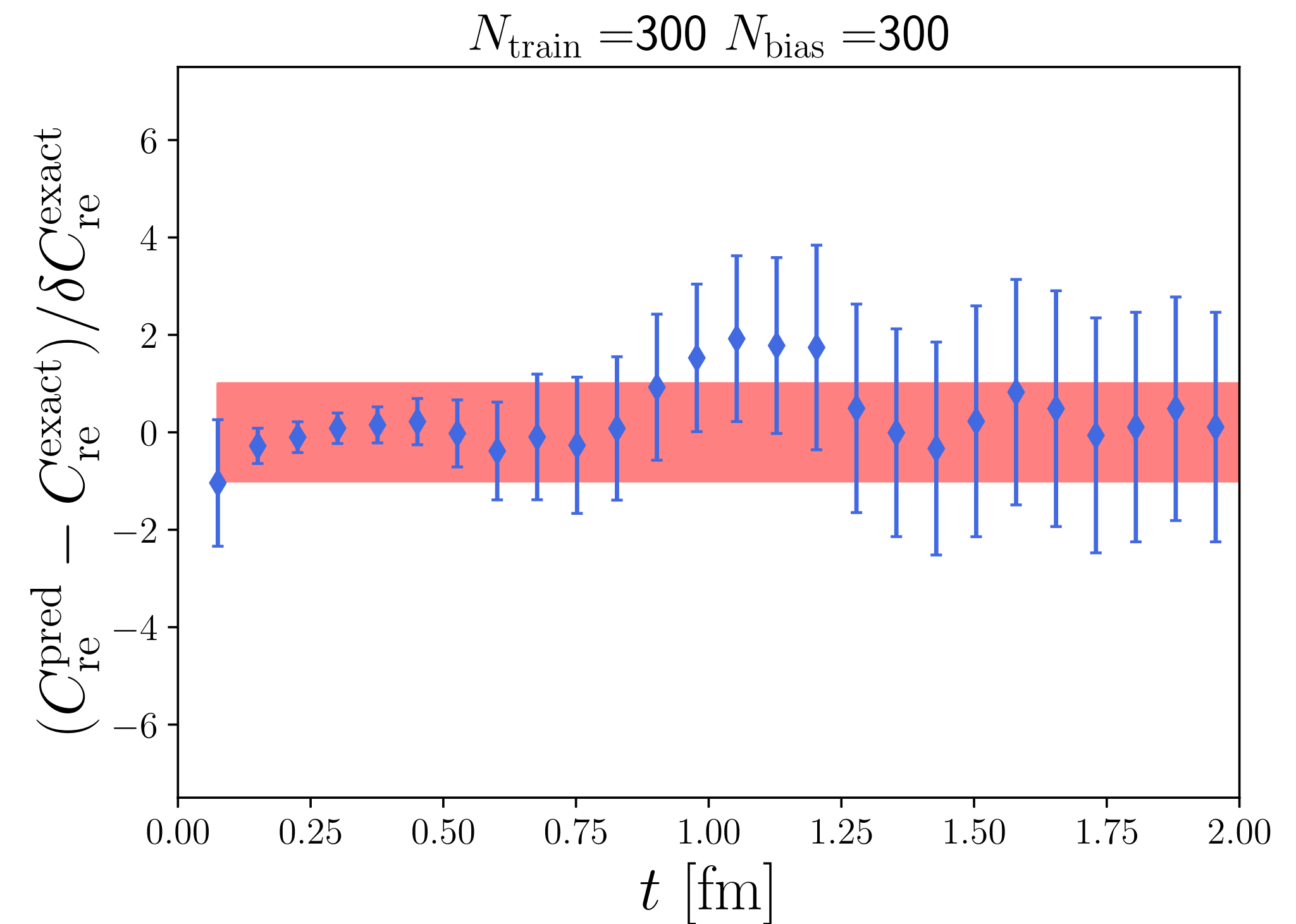
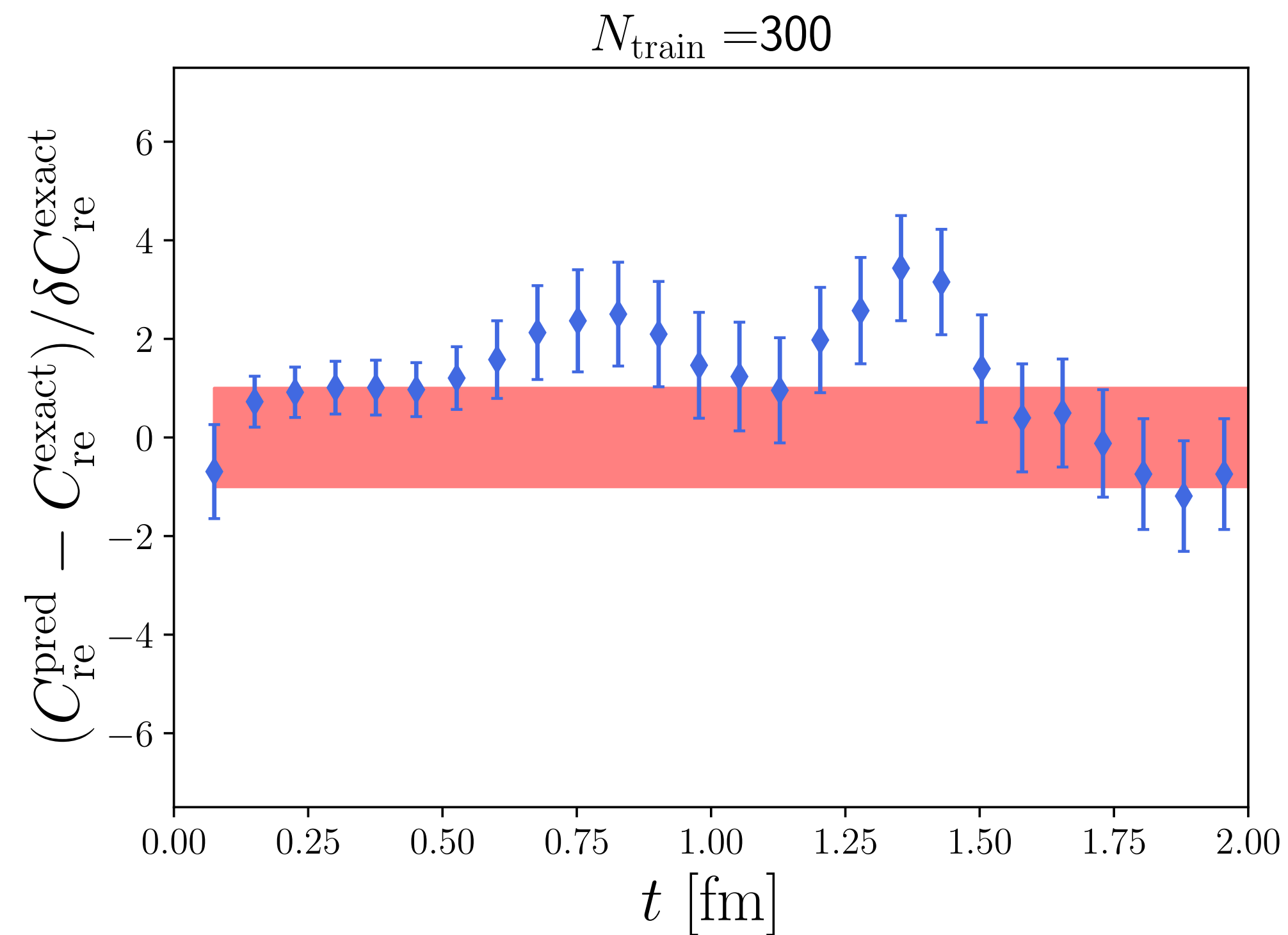
# Pseudoscalar correlator: total contribution

Total contribution (A654 ensemble)



# Vector correlator

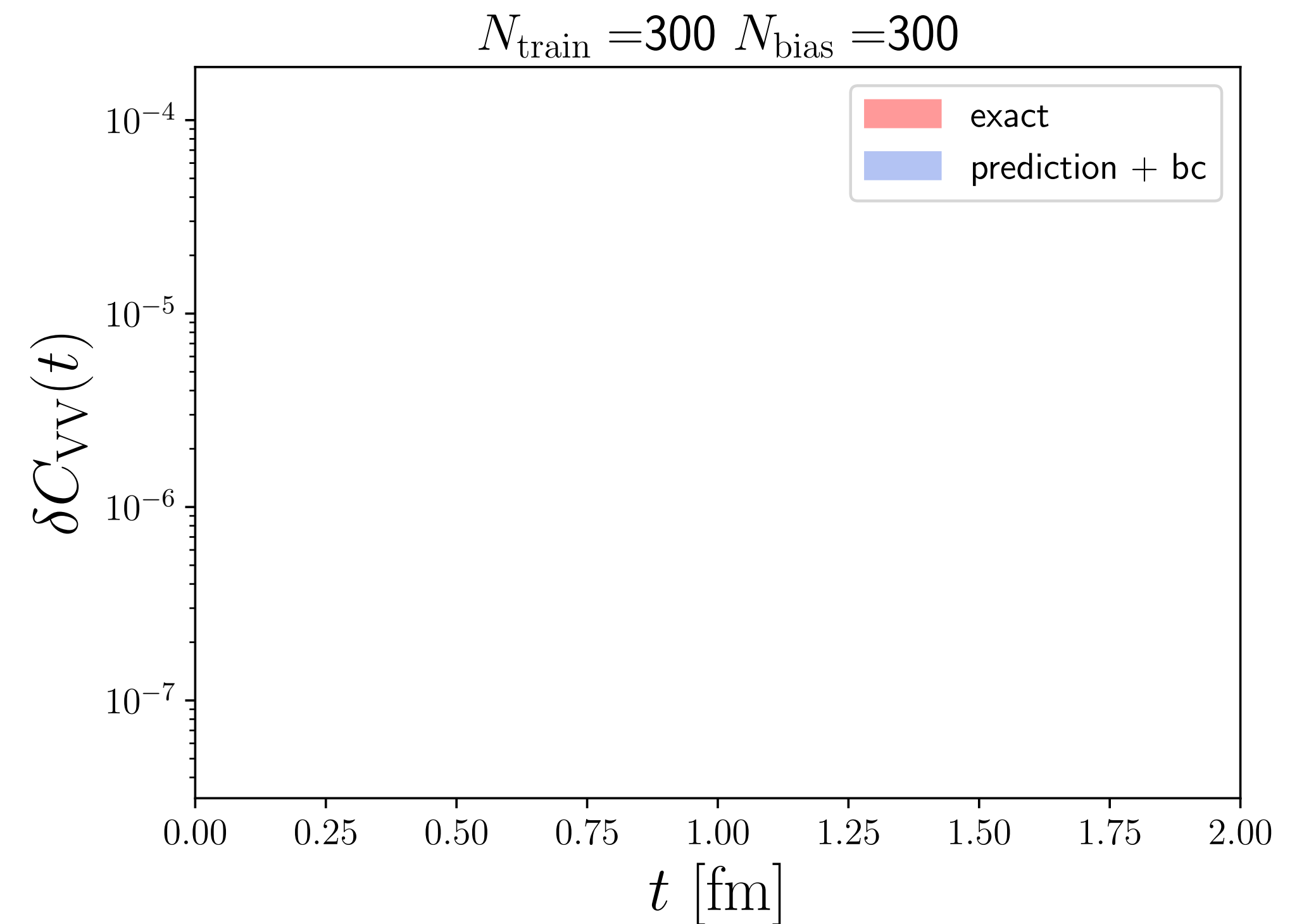
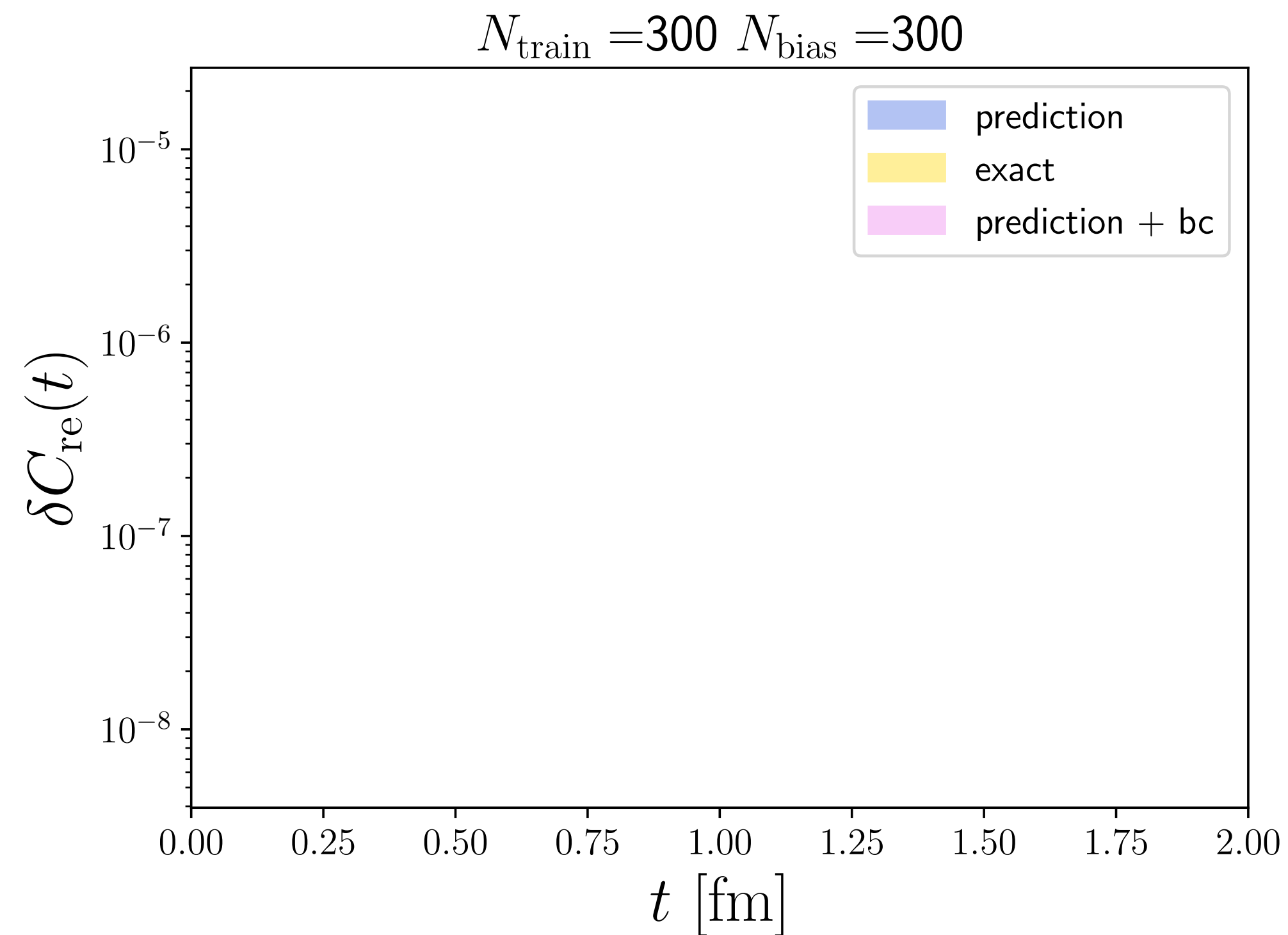
Test quality of prediction of rest-eigen part — with and without bias correction (A654 ensemble)



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Absolute error of rest-eigen part and total contribution (A654 ensemble)

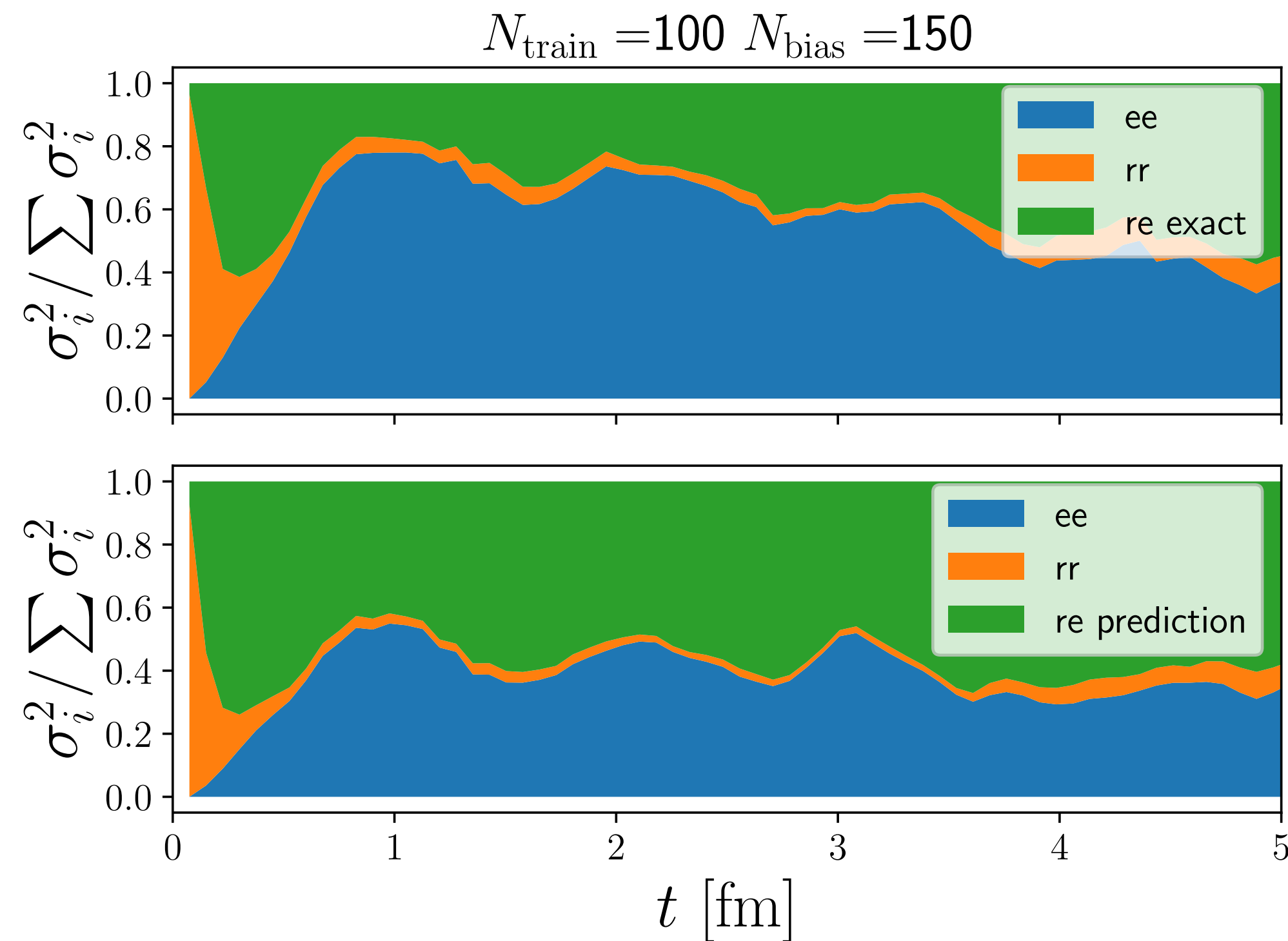


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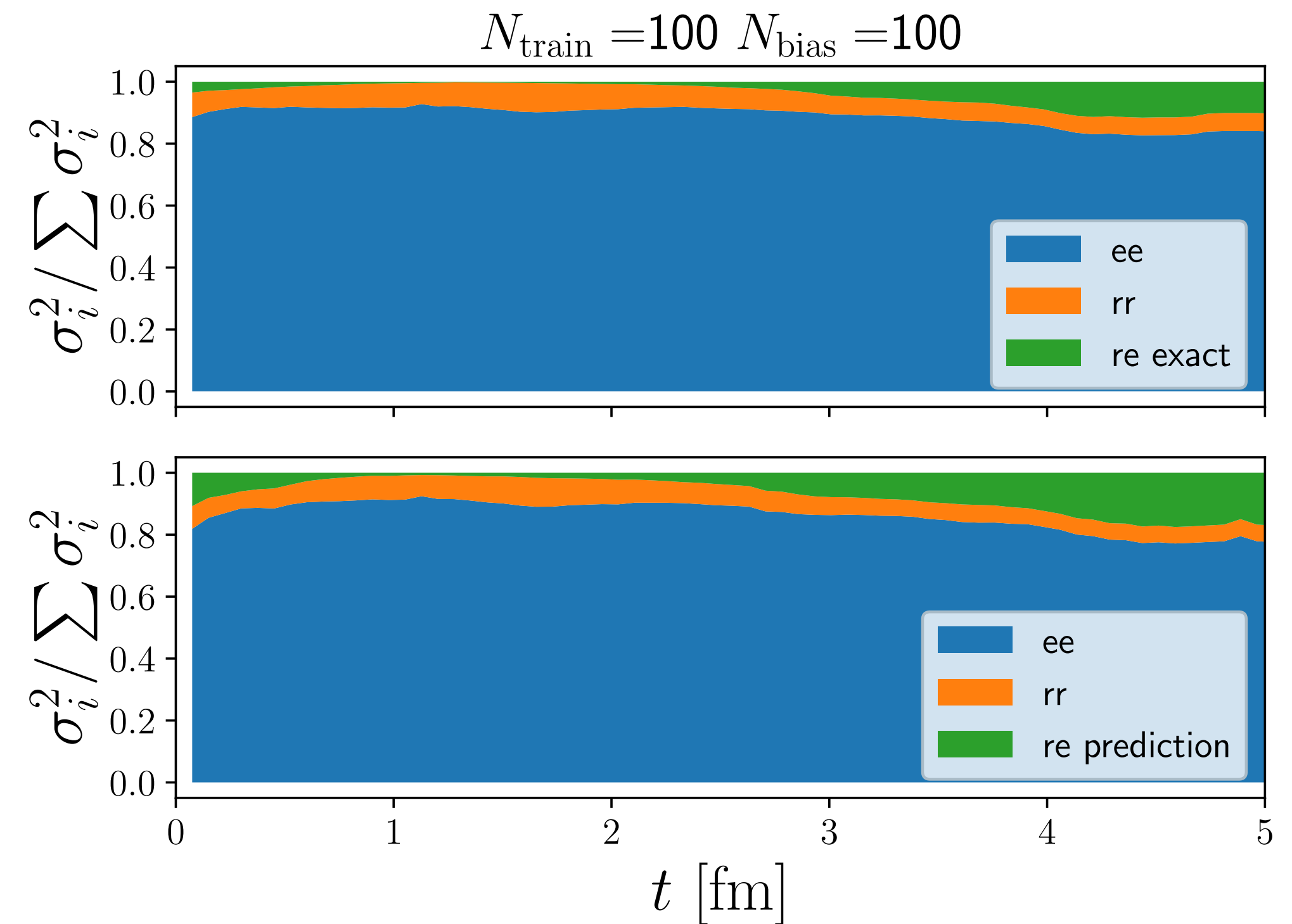
No gain in statistical precision after summing all contributions, unless  $N_{\text{bias}}$  is increased further

# Vector vs. pseudoscalar correlator

Fraction of the total variance of “ee”, “re” and “rr” contributions to (D450 ensemble)



Vector correlator



Pseudoscalar correlator

“Eigen-eigen” contribution dominates error in long-distance regime of the pseudoscalar correlator

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Precision scale setting for  $(g - 2)_\mu$  HVP calculations

RM123 approach: expansion about iso-symmetric QCD

$$\begin{aligned}
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 &+ e^2 \left( \left\langle B^{(0)} \right\rangle^\varepsilon + \left\langle B^{(0)} \right\rangle^\varepsilon + \left\langle B^{(0)} \right\rangle^\varepsilon \right) + \dots \Bigg\rangle_{\varepsilon^{(0)}}
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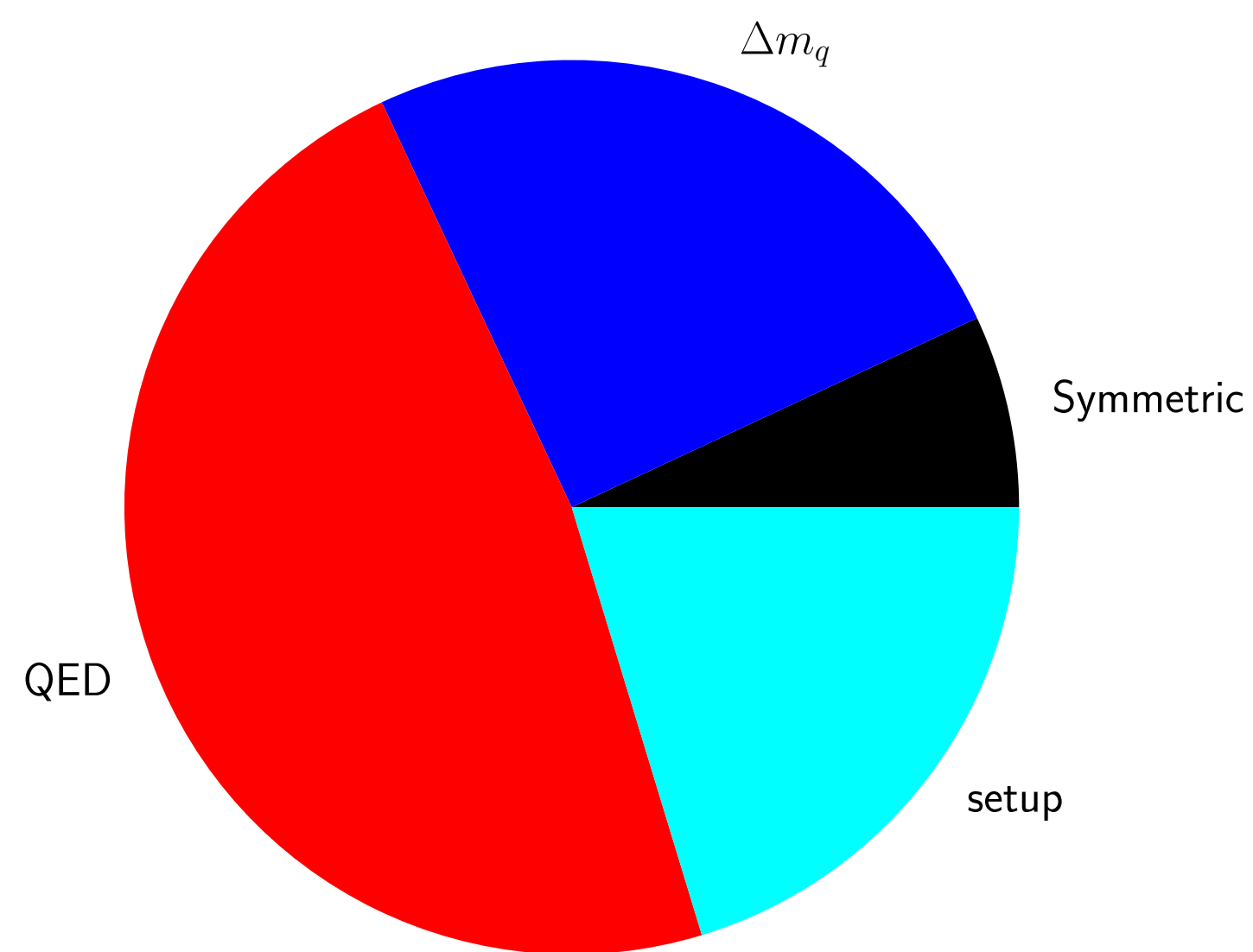
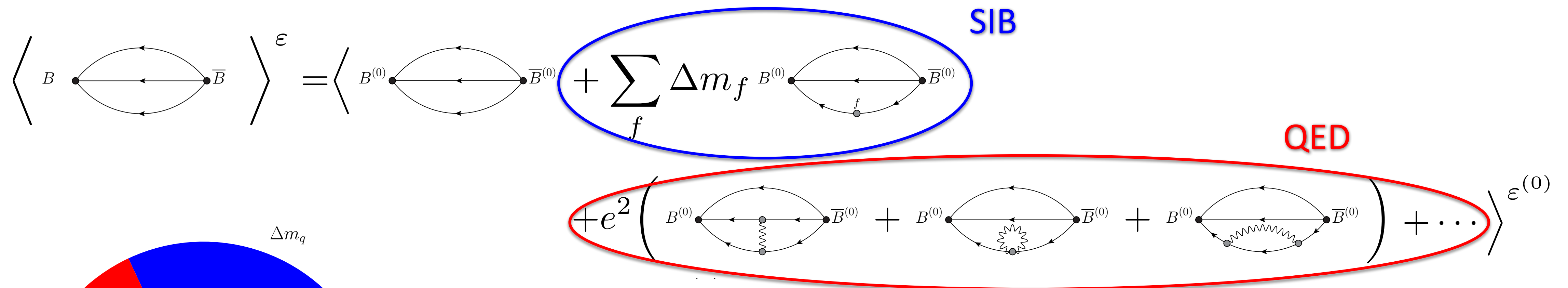
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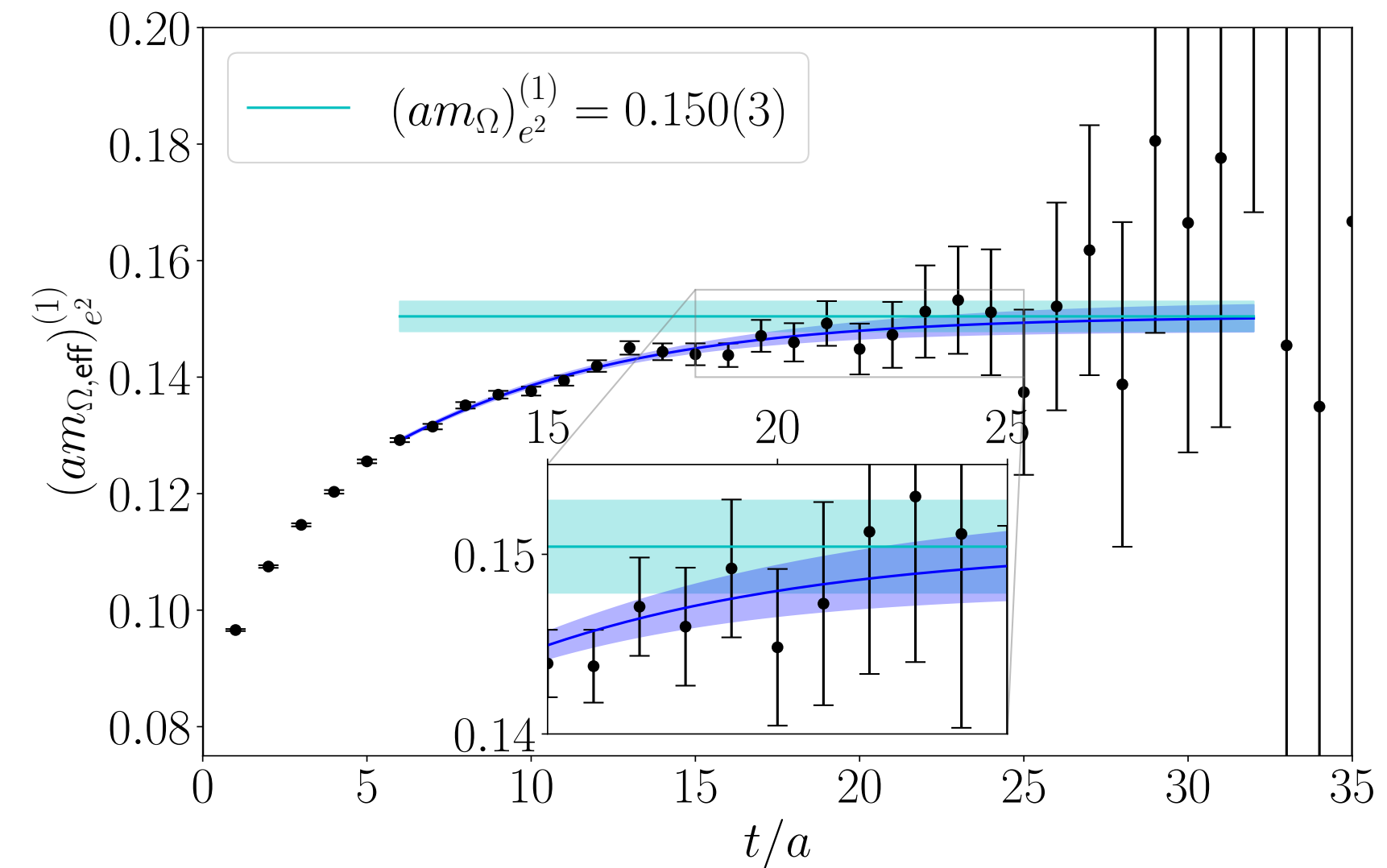
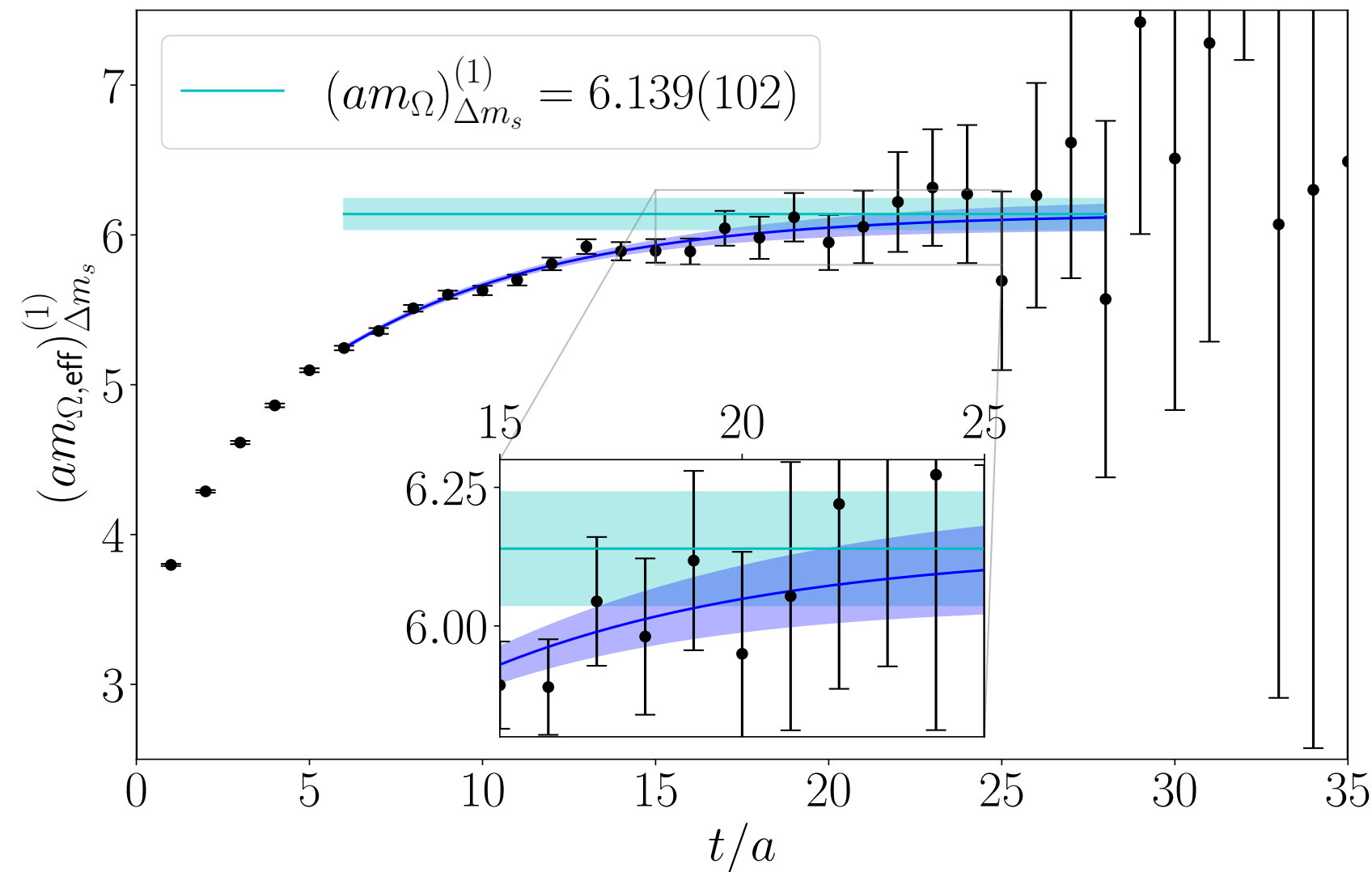
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- QED contribution by far the most expensive part
- Observe strong correlation between the correlators describing QED and strong isospin-breaking contributions

# Machine-learning model



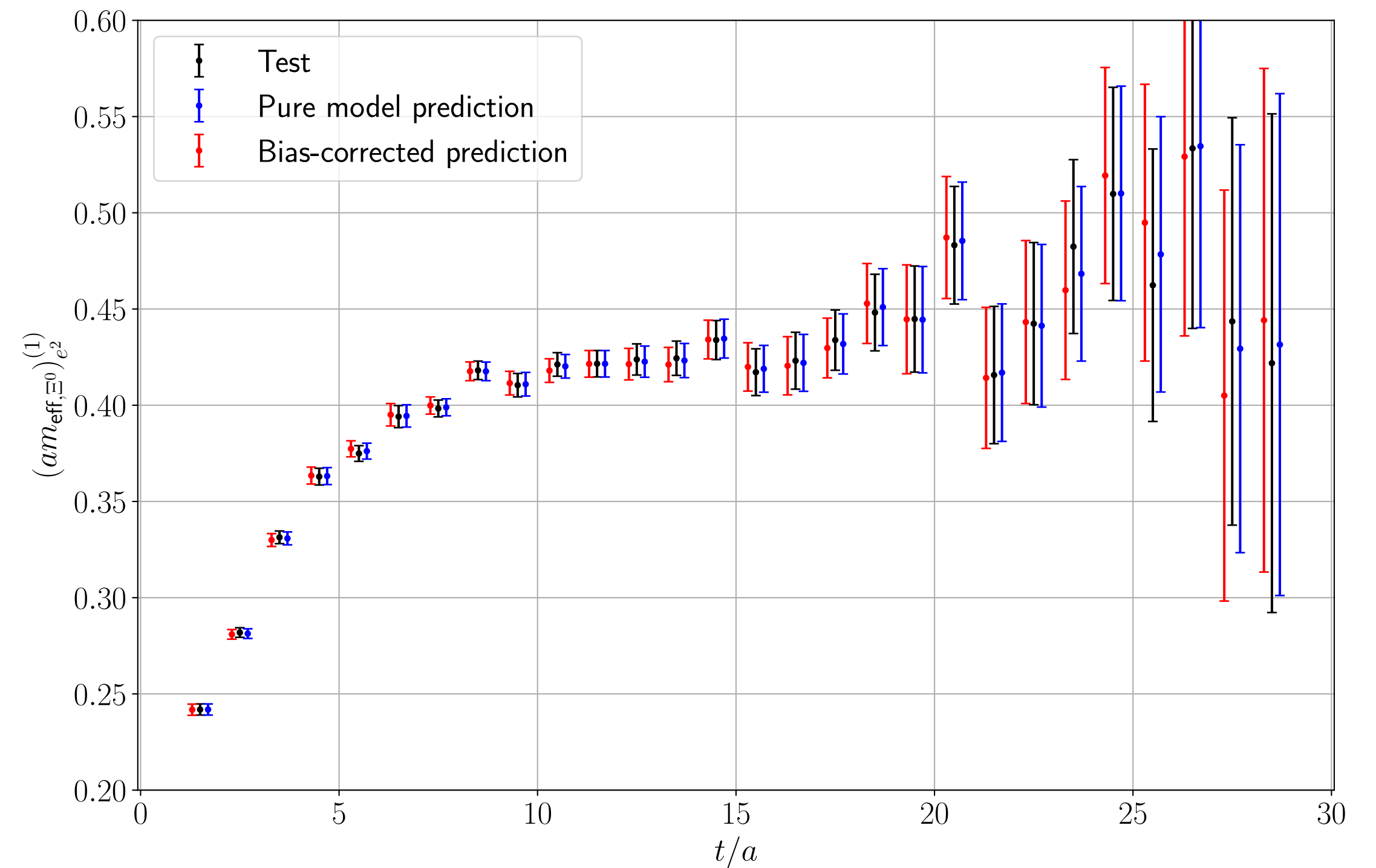
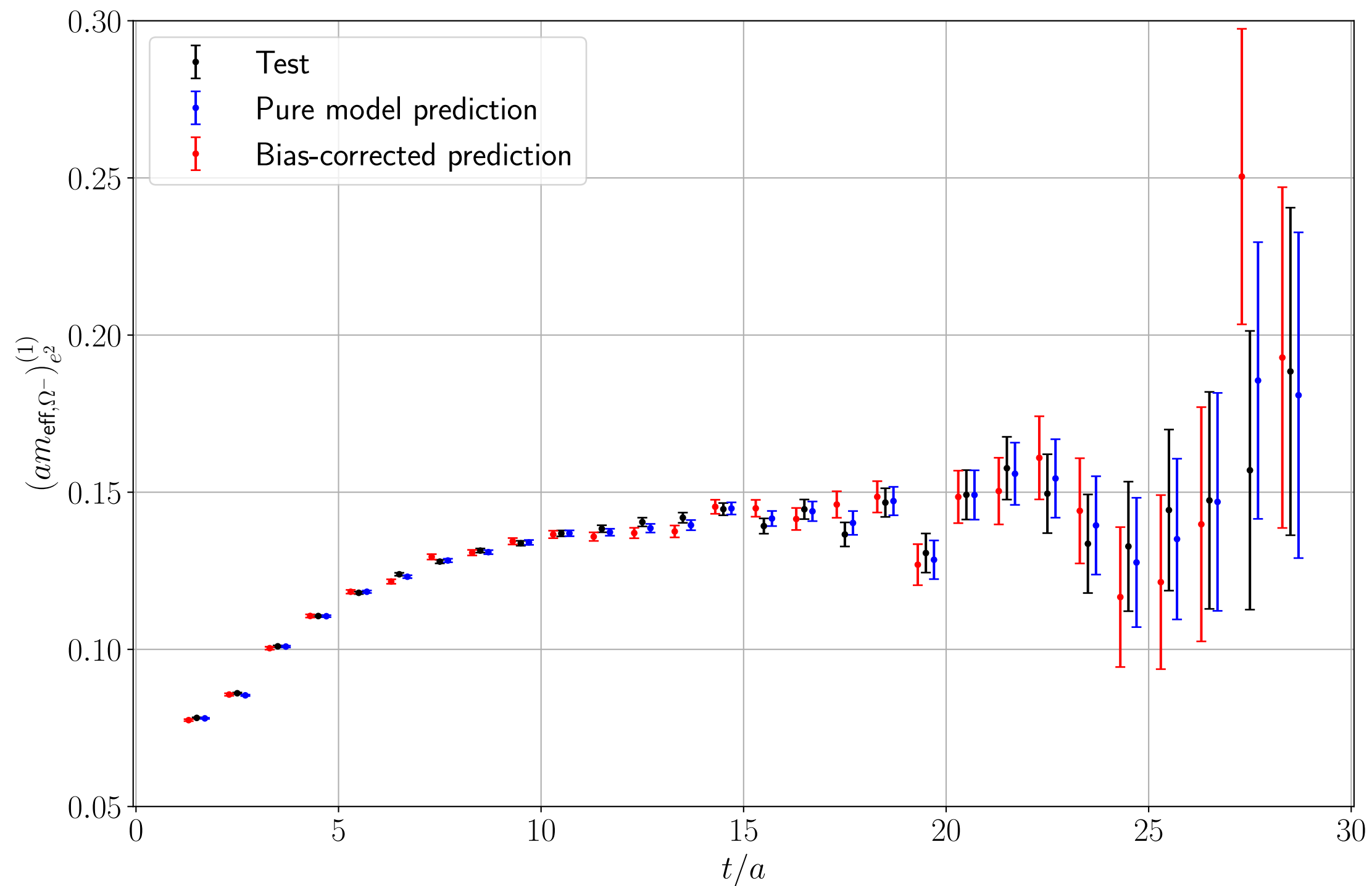
- Train model  $M(C^{(0)}, C_{\Delta m_u}^{(1)}, C_{\Delta m_d}^{(1)}, C_{\Delta m_s}^{(1)})$  to predict the QED contribution  $C_{e^2}^{(1)}$

$$M(t) = \alpha C^{(0)}(t) + \beta C_{\Delta m_u}^{(1)}(t) + \gamma C_{\Delta m_d}^{(1)}(t) + \delta C_{\Delta m_s}^{(1)}(t) + \epsilon$$

- Correct for bias by using a small number of sources on each configuration:  $N_{\text{src, bias}} \ll N_{\text{src}}$
- Ensemble N451:  $48^3 \cdot 96$ ,  $m_{\pi} \simeq 280 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $N_{\text{cfg}} = 1011$ ,  $N_{\text{train}} = 20$ ,  $N_{\text{src}} = 32$ ,  $N_{\text{src, bias}} = 1$

# Results

QED correction to  $\Omega^-$  and  $\Xi^-$  masses on N451 ensemble

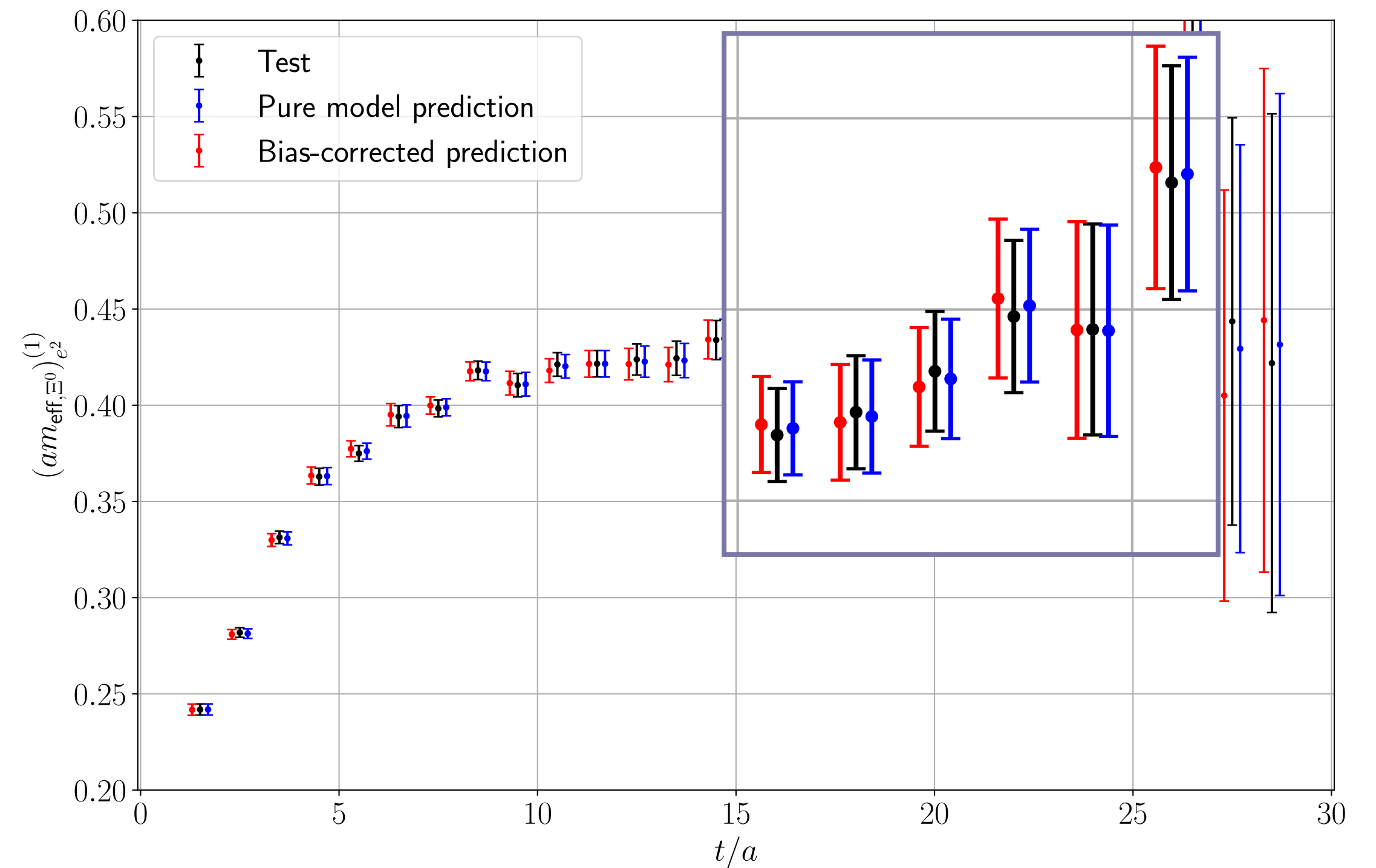
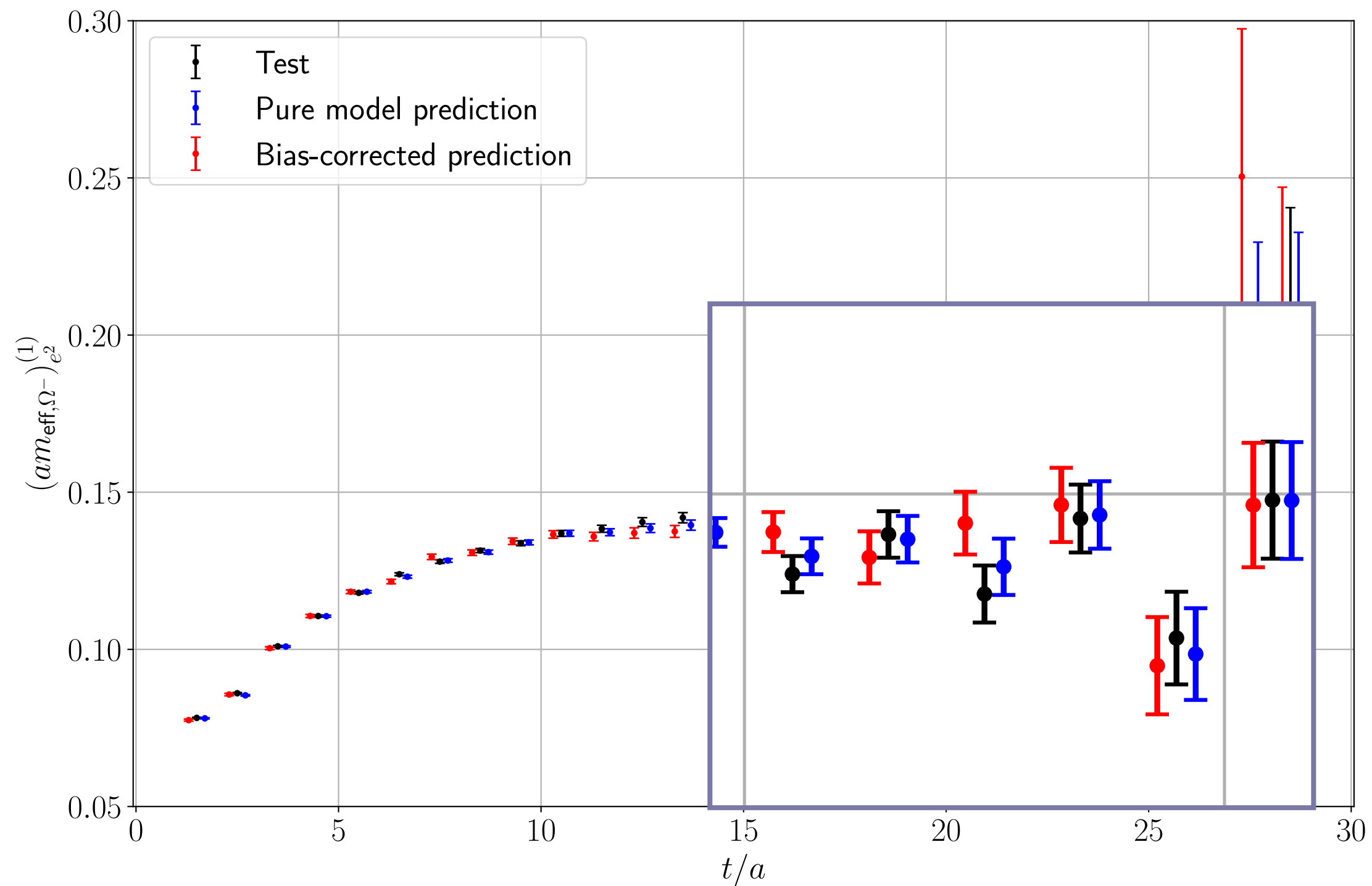


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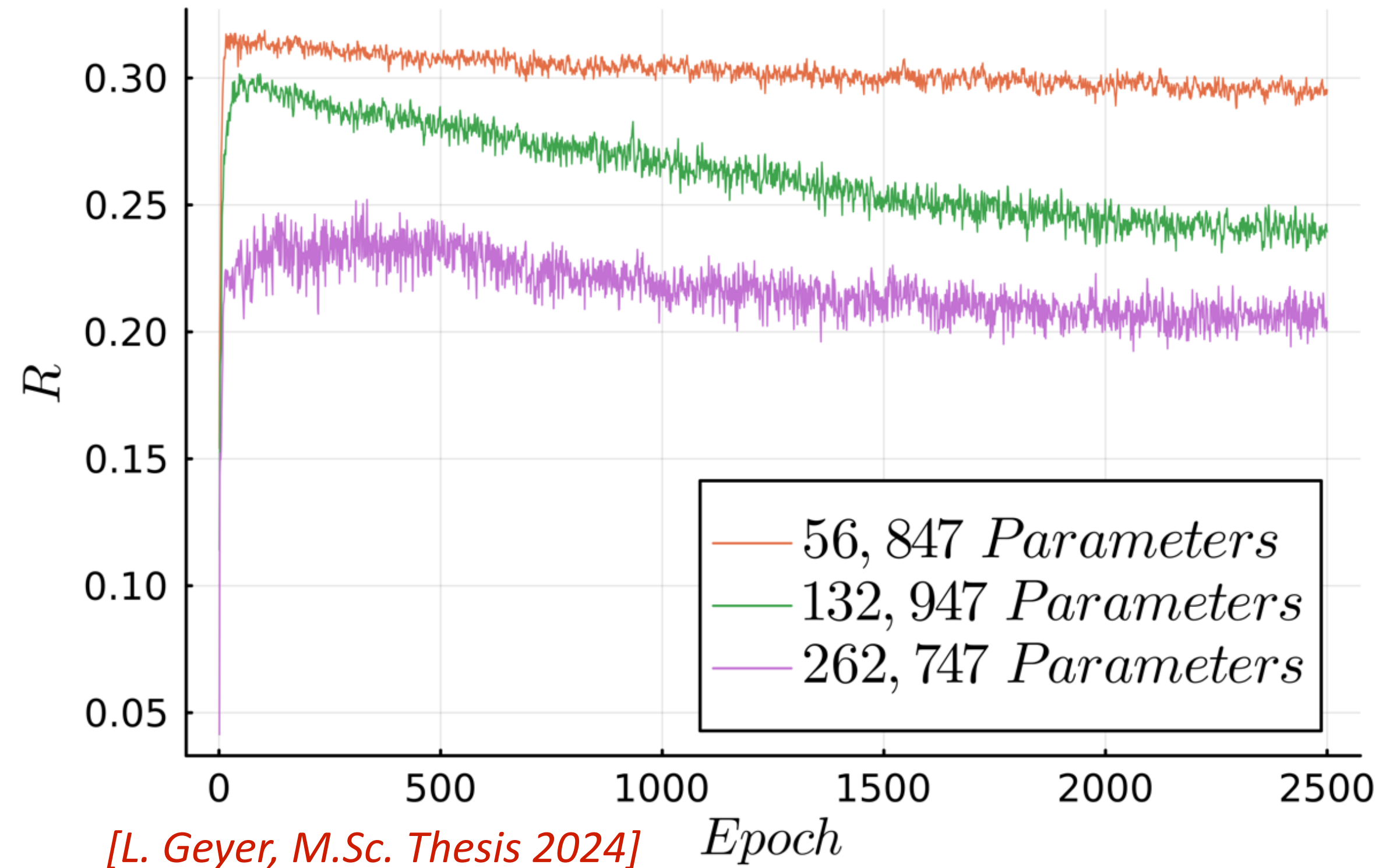
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# Summary and conclusions

- Machine-learning models with bias correction are able to reproduce exact calculations with comparable statistical precision
- No “noise reduction” observed in all models studied so far
- Saving in computer time can be substantial, but depends strongly on the observable
- Using ML for QED part leads to 50% reduction in numerical effort for computing baryon masses including isospin-breaking corrections
- Rest-eigen part of vector correlator:  
bias correction dominates the total uncertainty; less CPU time produces a larger error
- Outlook: optimise setup to increase correlations between  $O_{\text{appx}}$  and  $O$

# Backup

# Grid search and $R$ -score



Models with increasing complexity lead to overfitting

$$R_k = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{47} (v_{t,k,i}^{\text{ER}} - v_{p,k,i}^{\text{ER}})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{47} (v_{t,k,i}^{\text{ER}} - \hat{v}_{t,i}^{\text{ER,tr}})^2}, \quad R_k \in (-\infty, 1].$$