

# Status report on the hadronic light-by-light contribution to the muon $g-2$ using twisted-mass fermions

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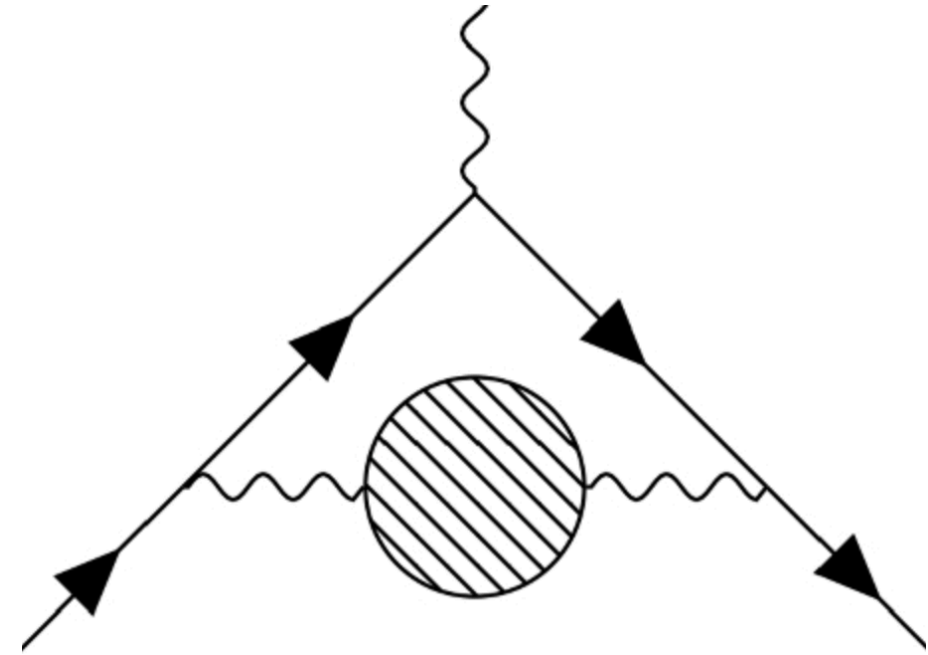
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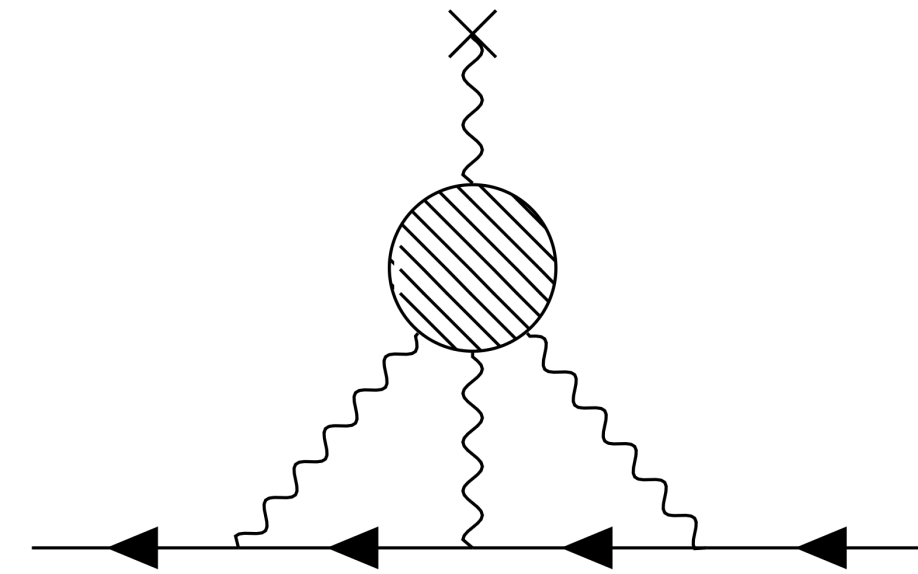


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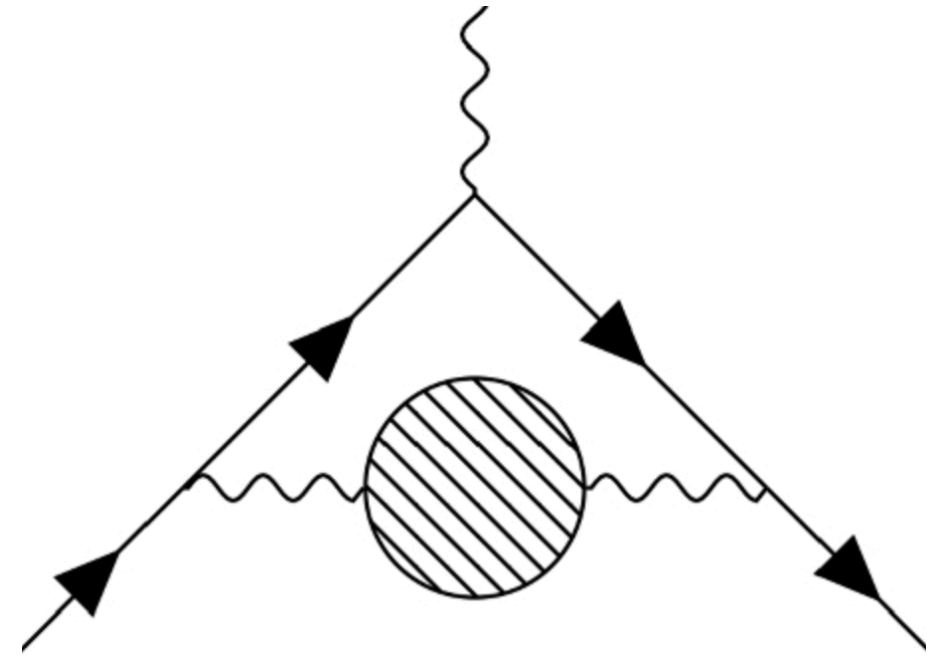
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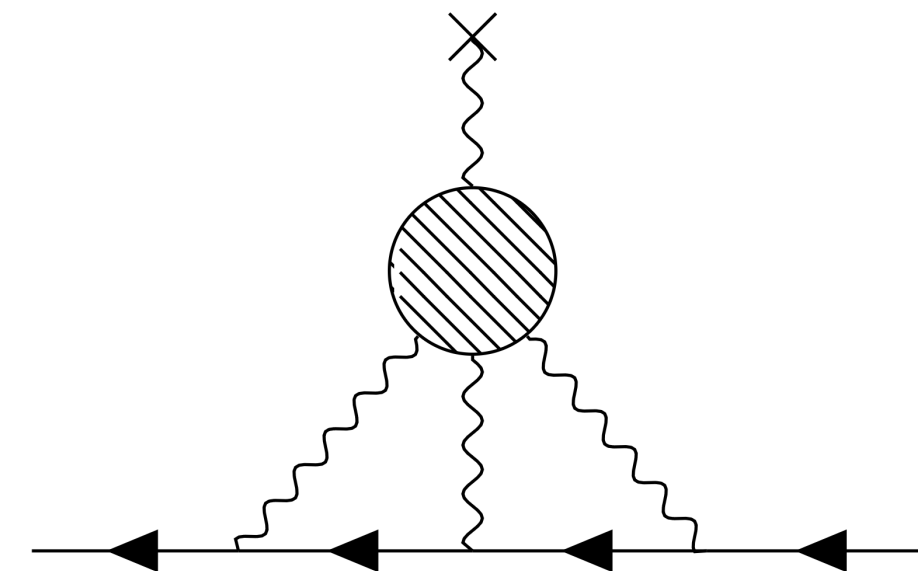
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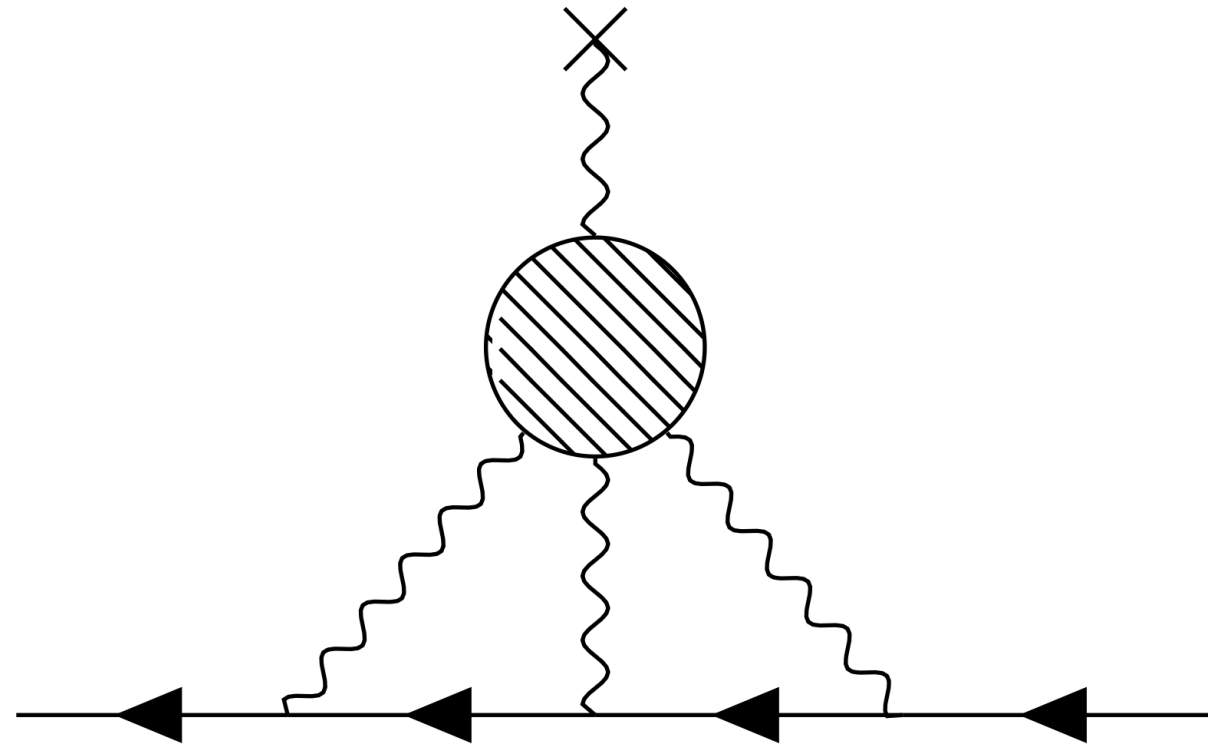


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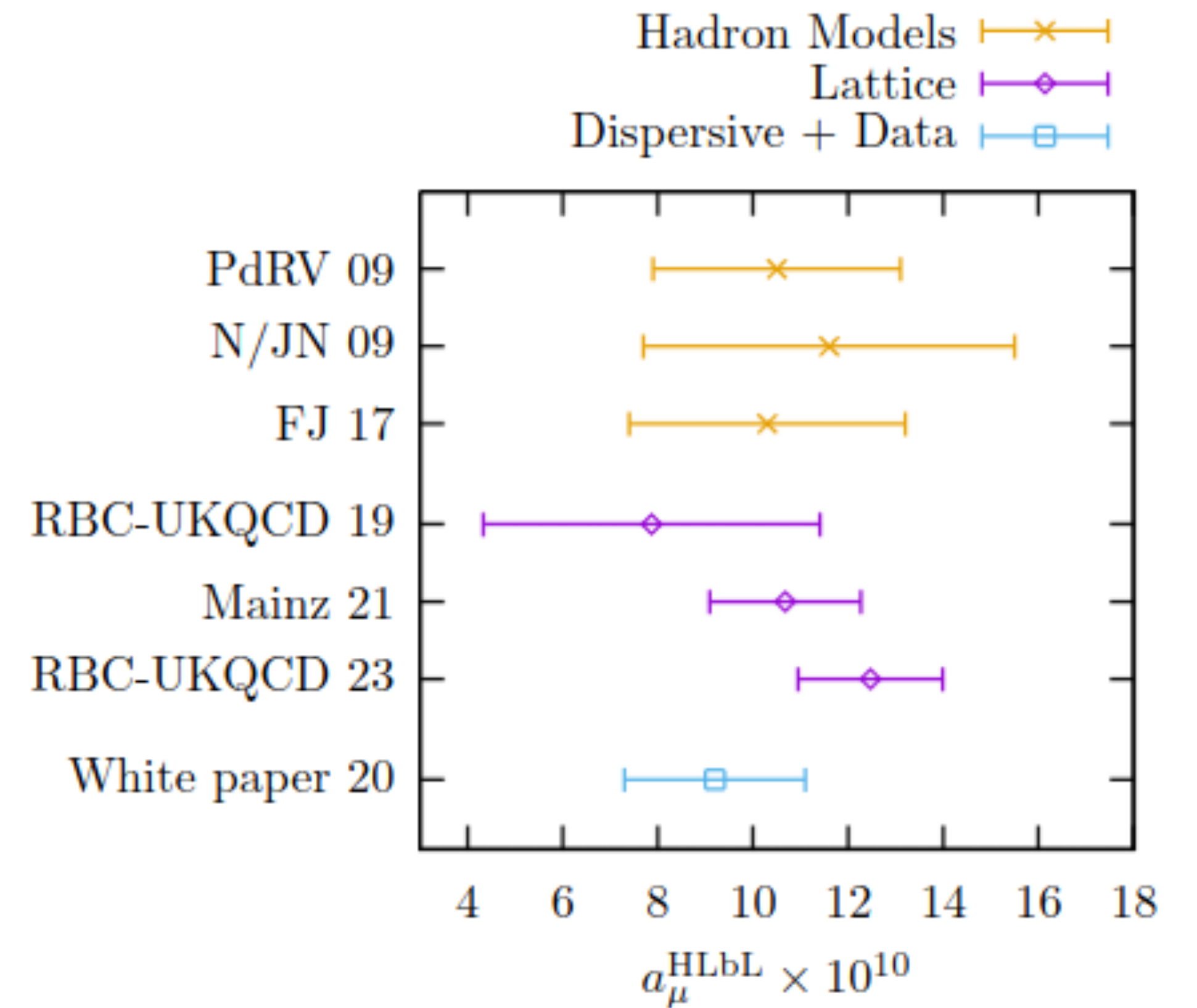
- Difficult to calculate (non-perturbative).
- Two main approaches:
  - (1) Dispersion relations: Data-driven approach.
  - (2) Lattice QCD: Calculations on a finite lattice.

# Hadronic Light-by-Light (HLbL)

- We focus on the **full** lattice QCD calculation of HLbL (not only PS pole contributions).



- Difficult calculation: 4-pt function
- Sub-dominant contribution to the theoretical error @  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_{QED}^3)$ .
- **Good agreement** between lattice and dispersive.
- Uncertainty has to be significantly reduced.

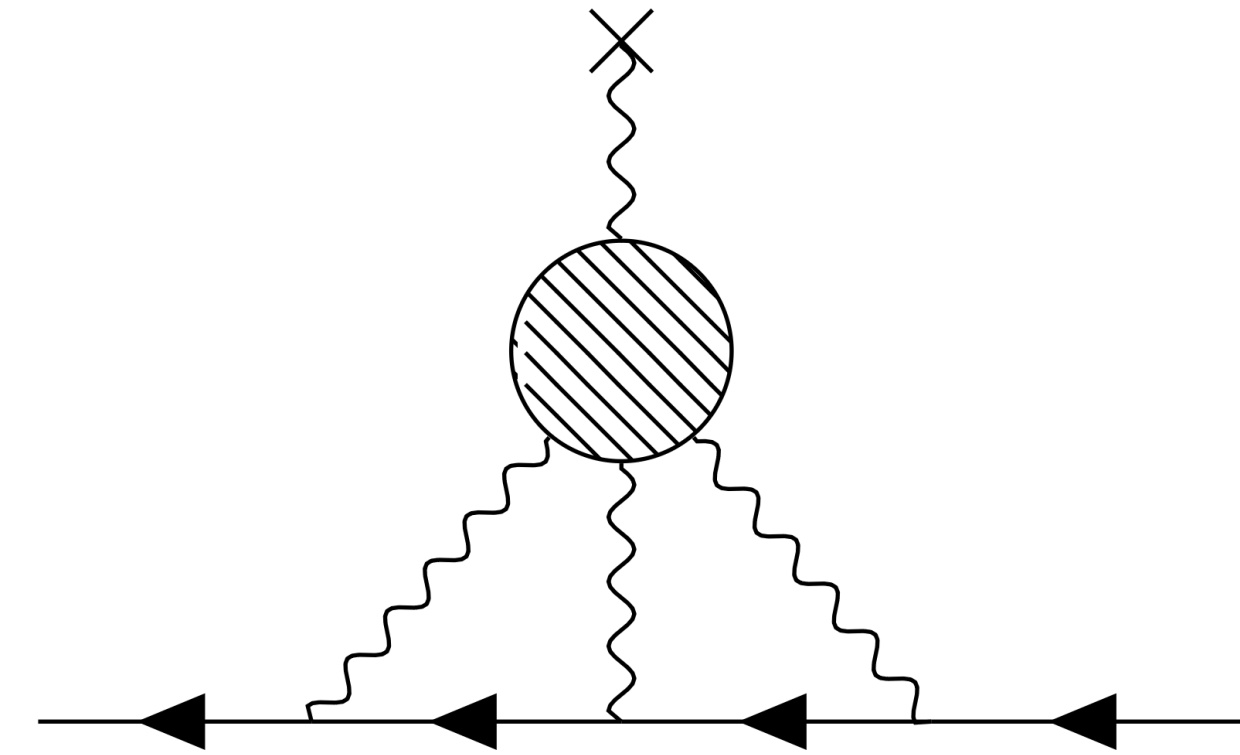


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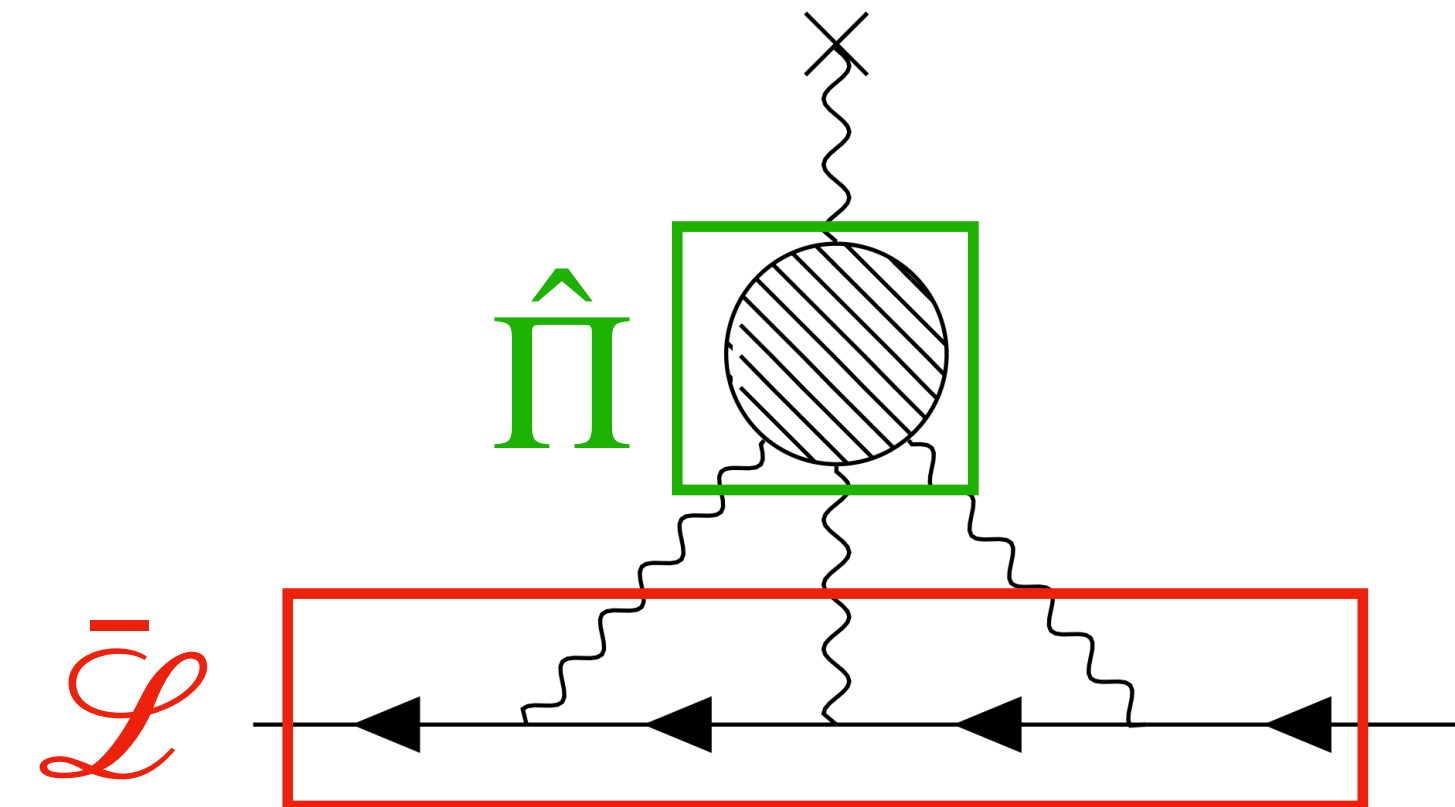


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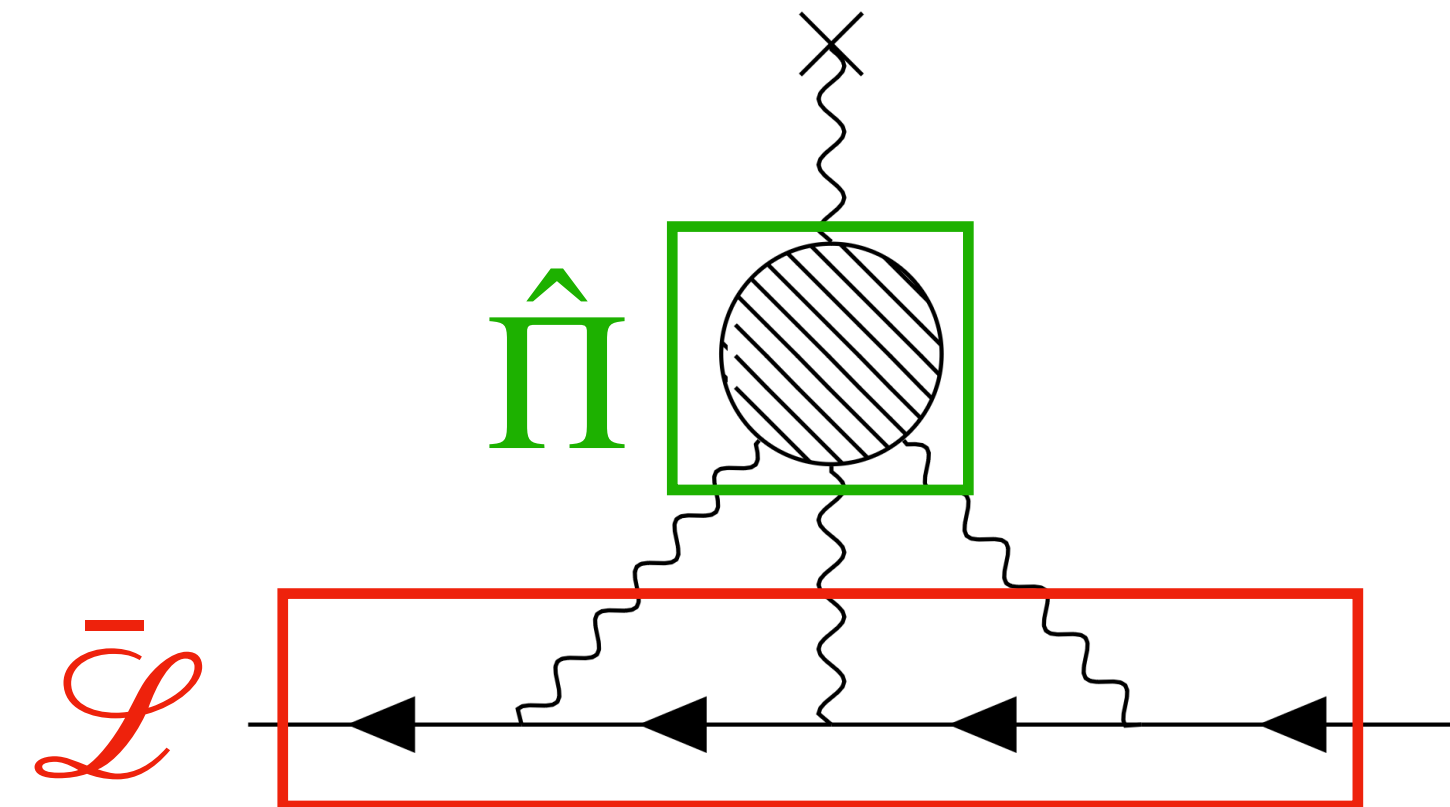


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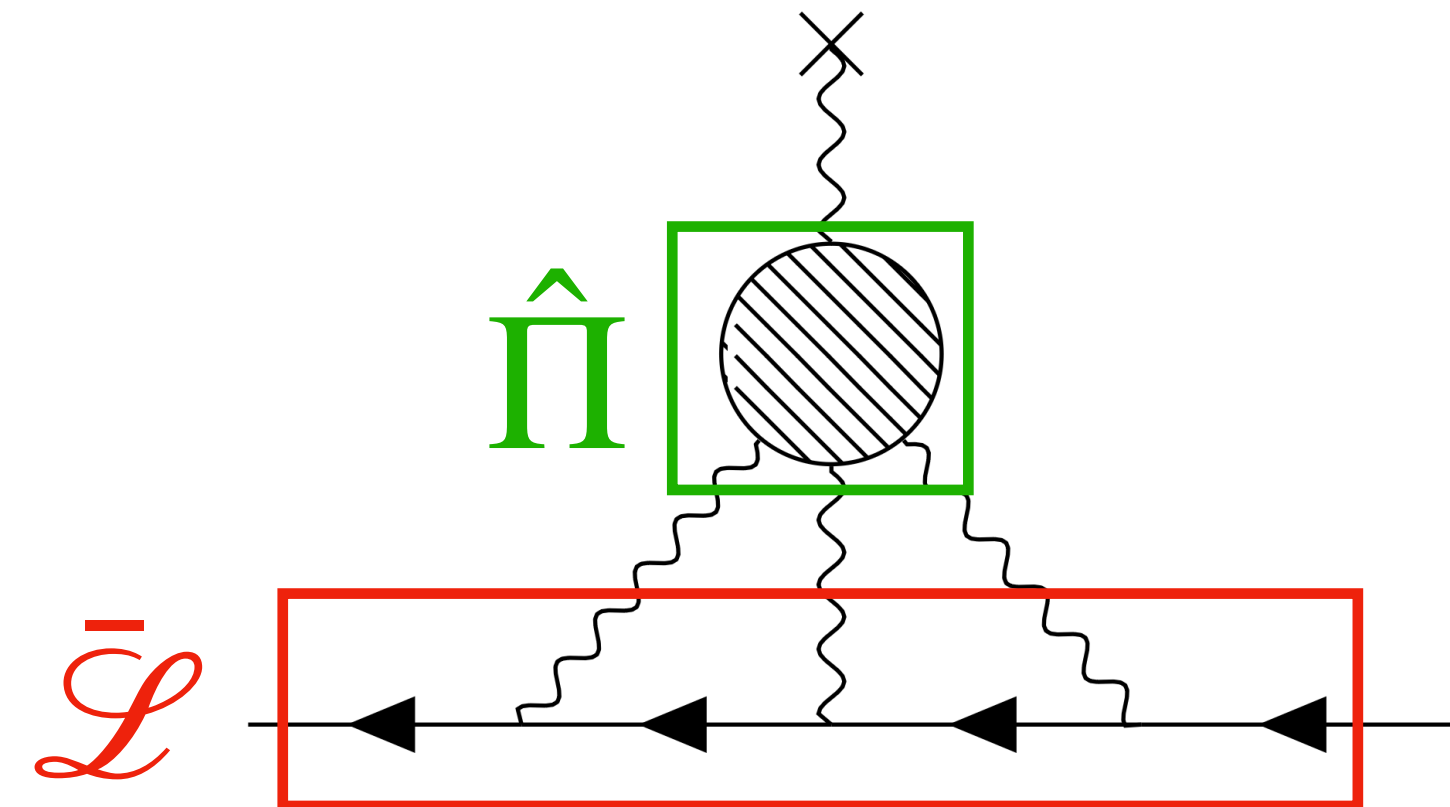
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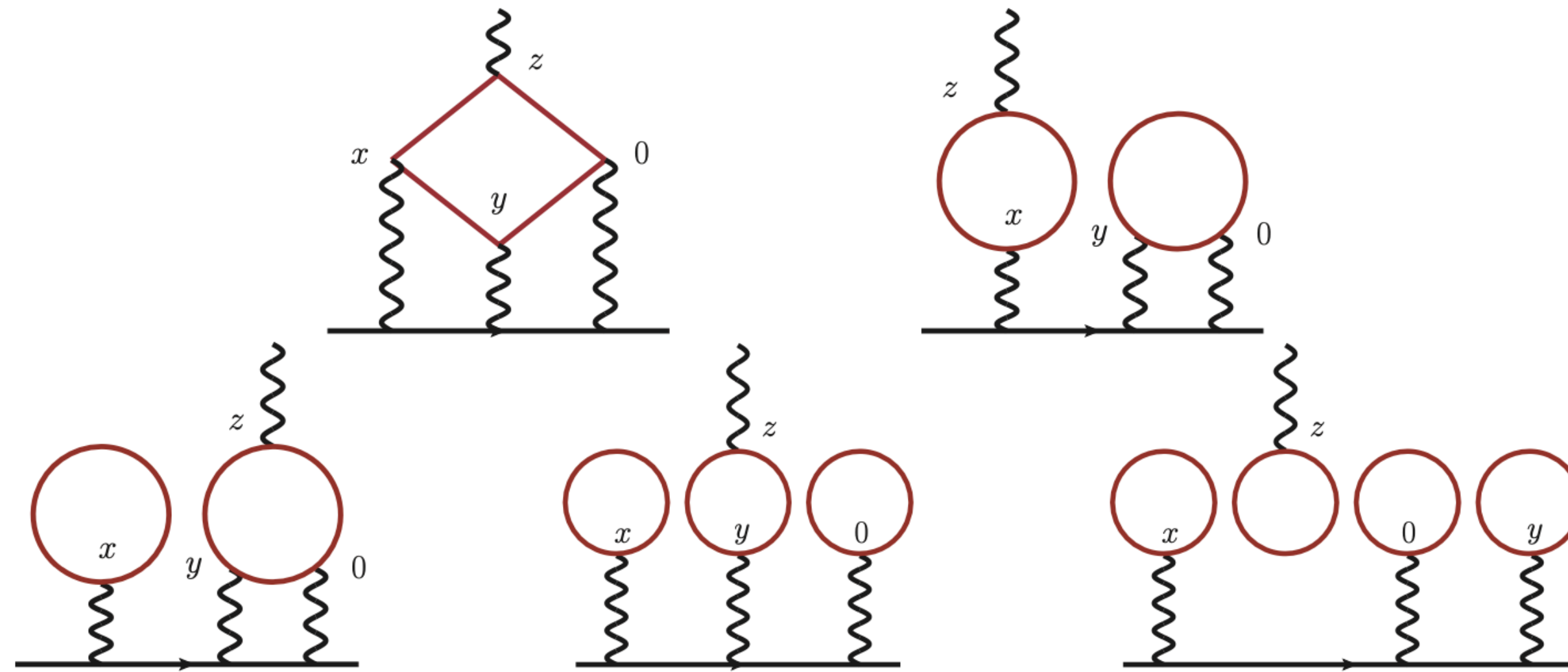
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- Kernel freedom:  $\bar{\mathcal{L}} \rightarrow \bar{\mathcal{L}} +$  anything that vanishes upon integration (in the continuum and infinite volume limit).
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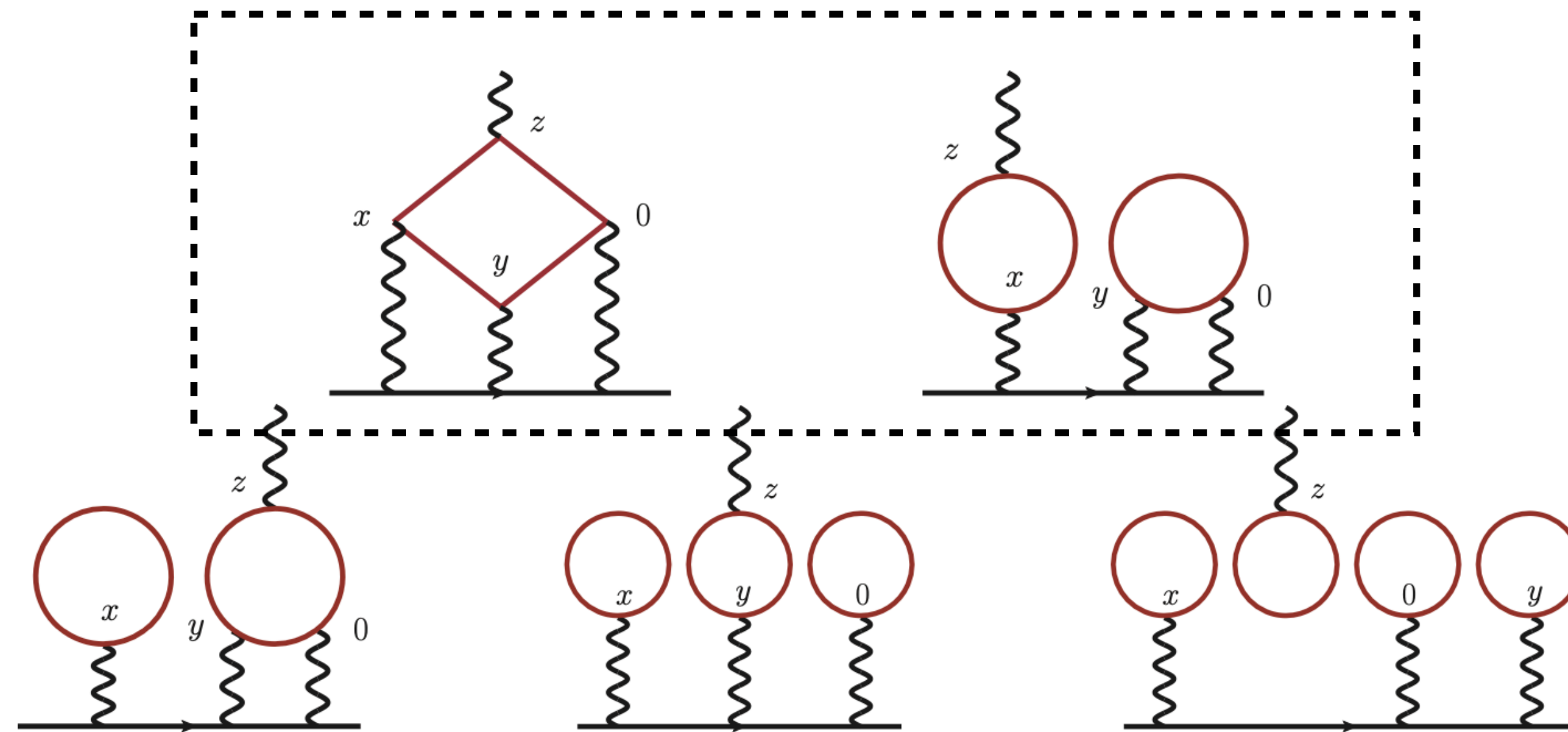
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- We focus on the **fully-connected** and **2+2** (dominant ones).

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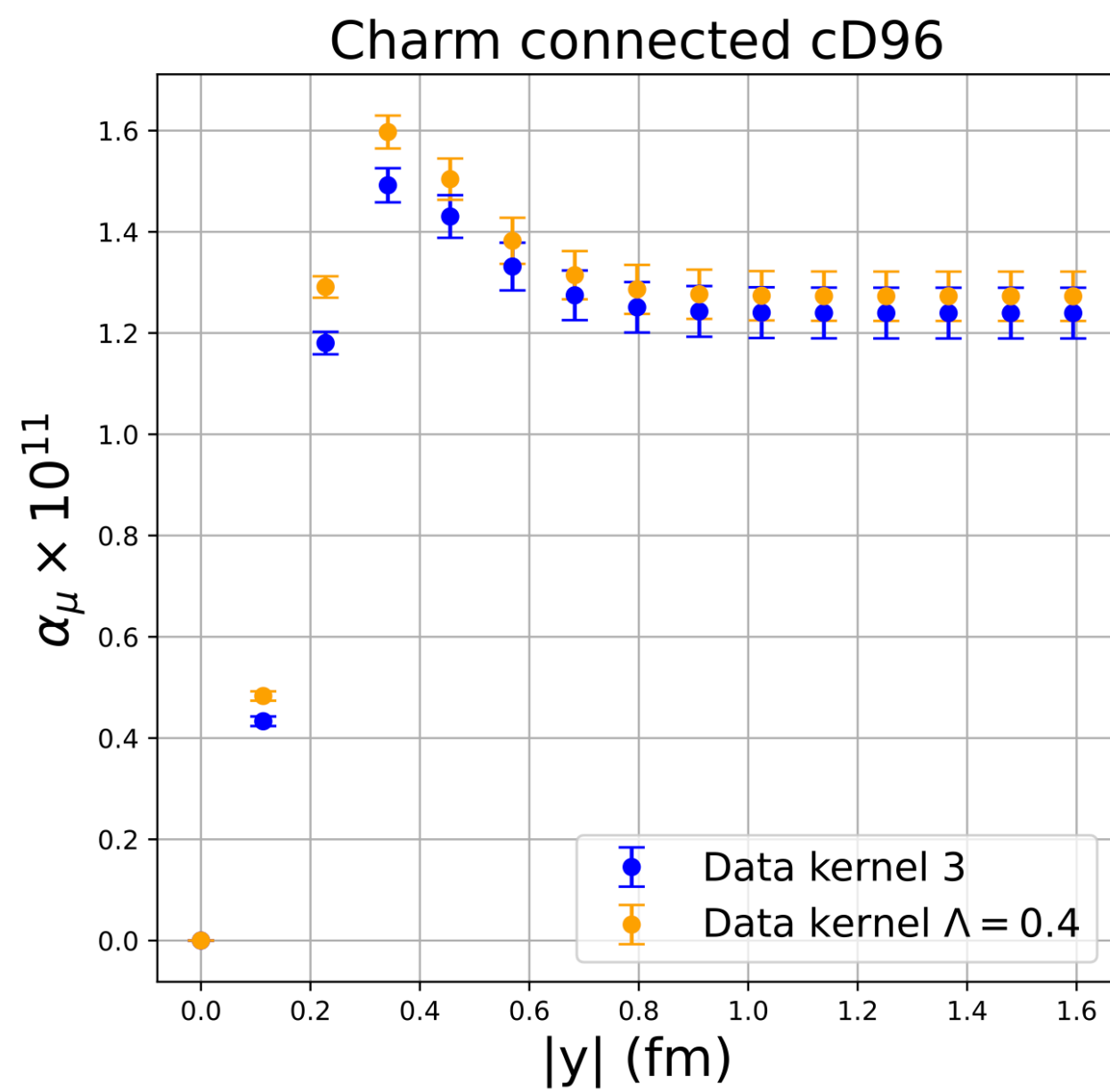
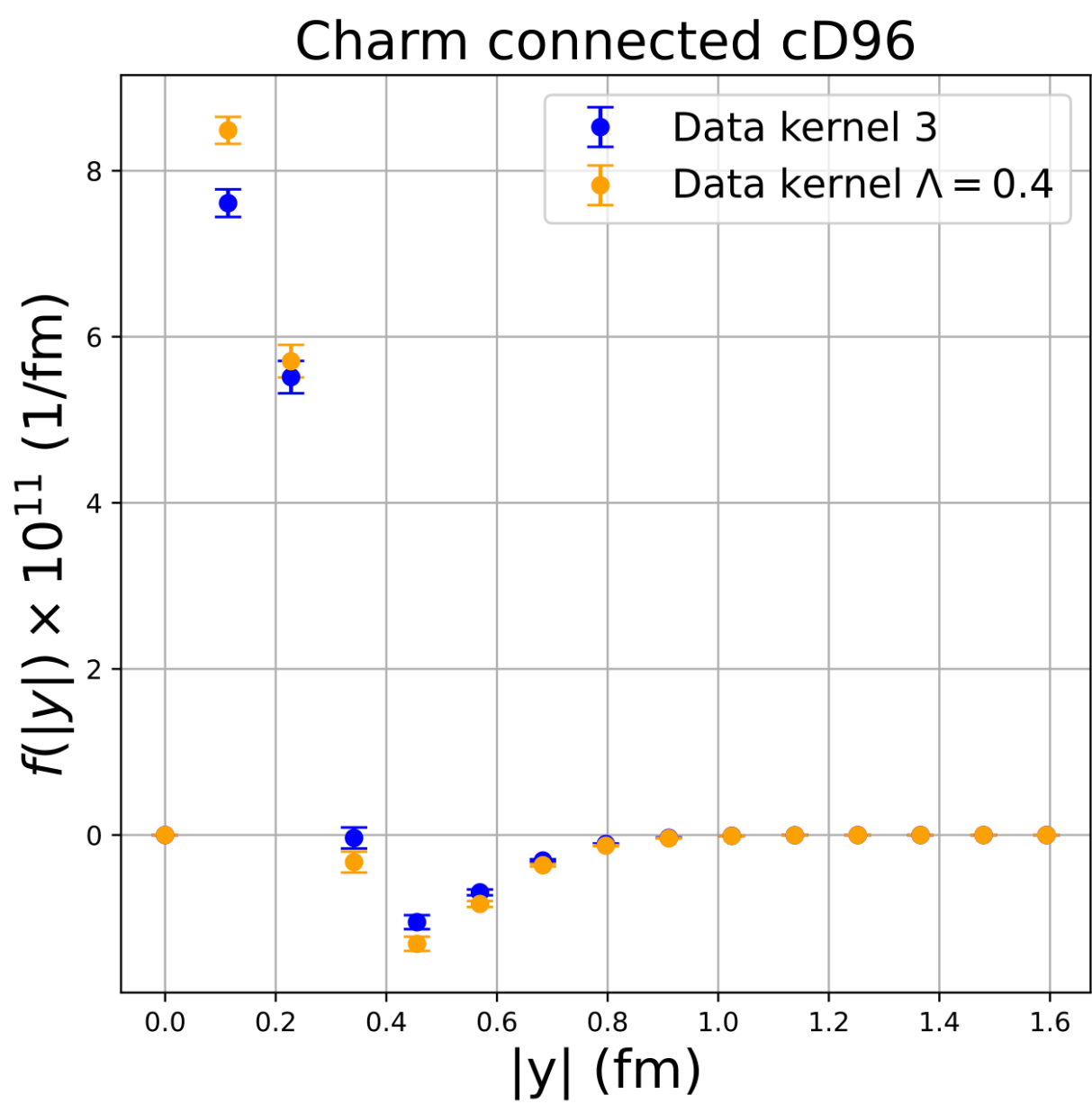
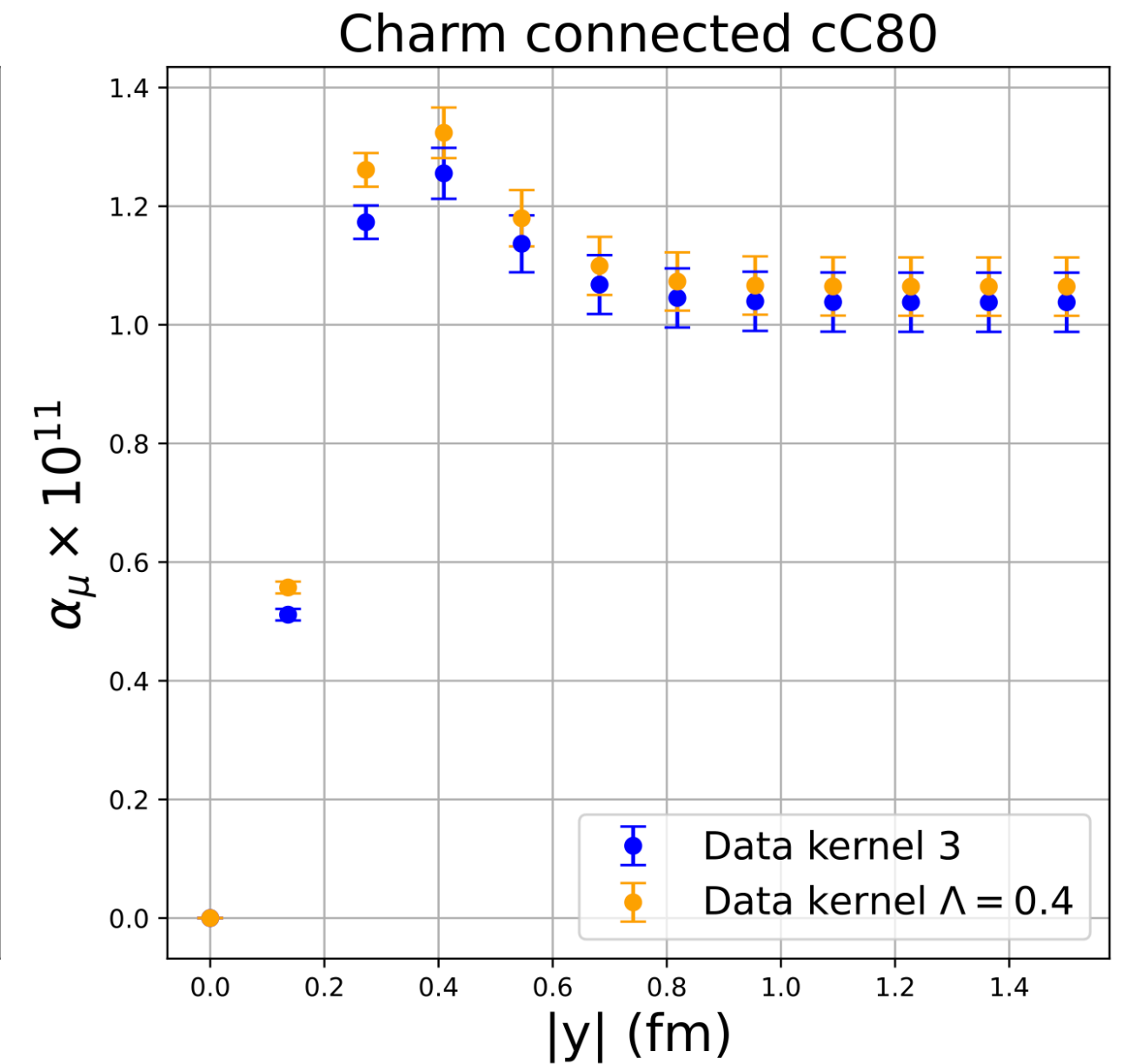
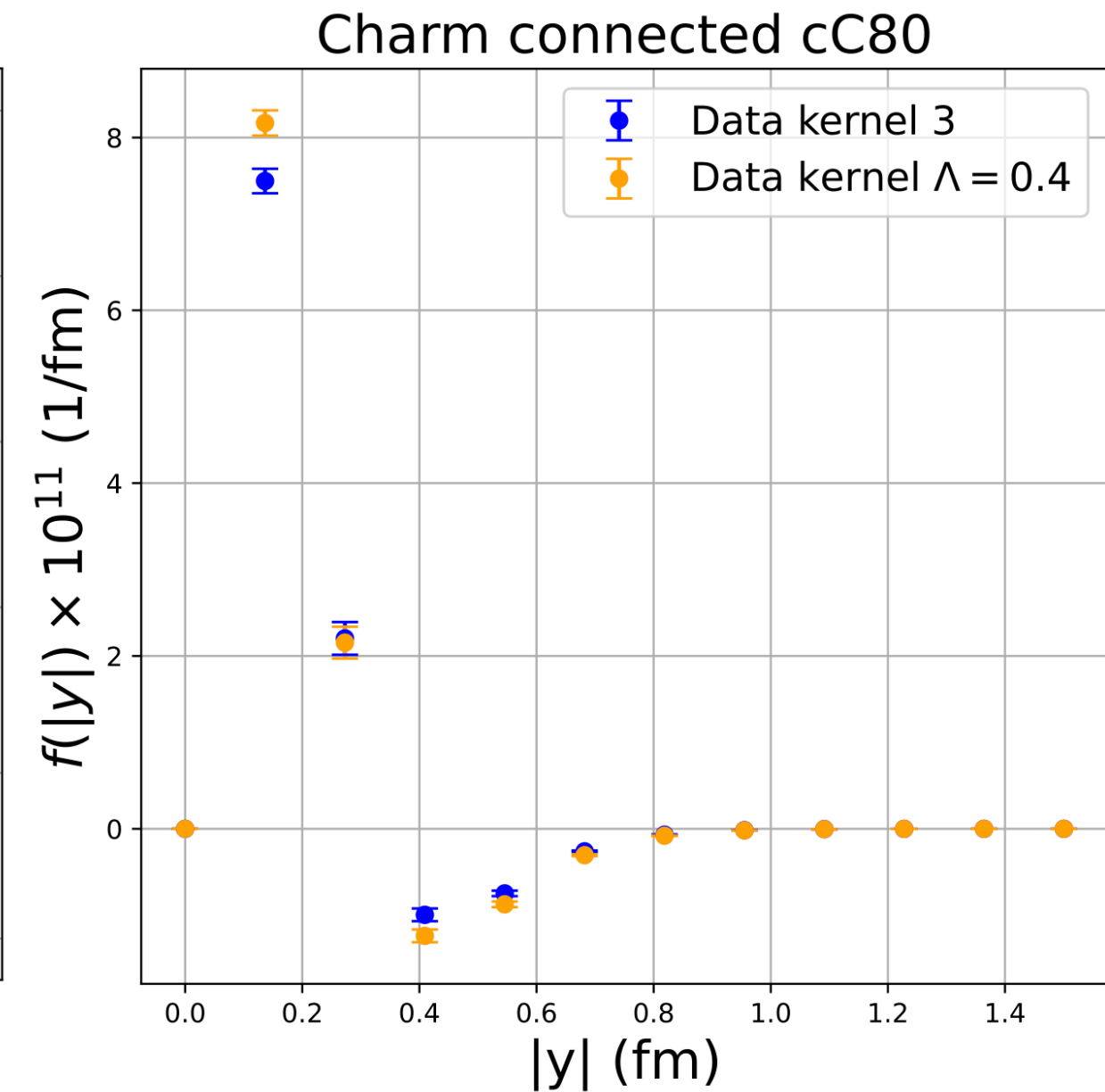
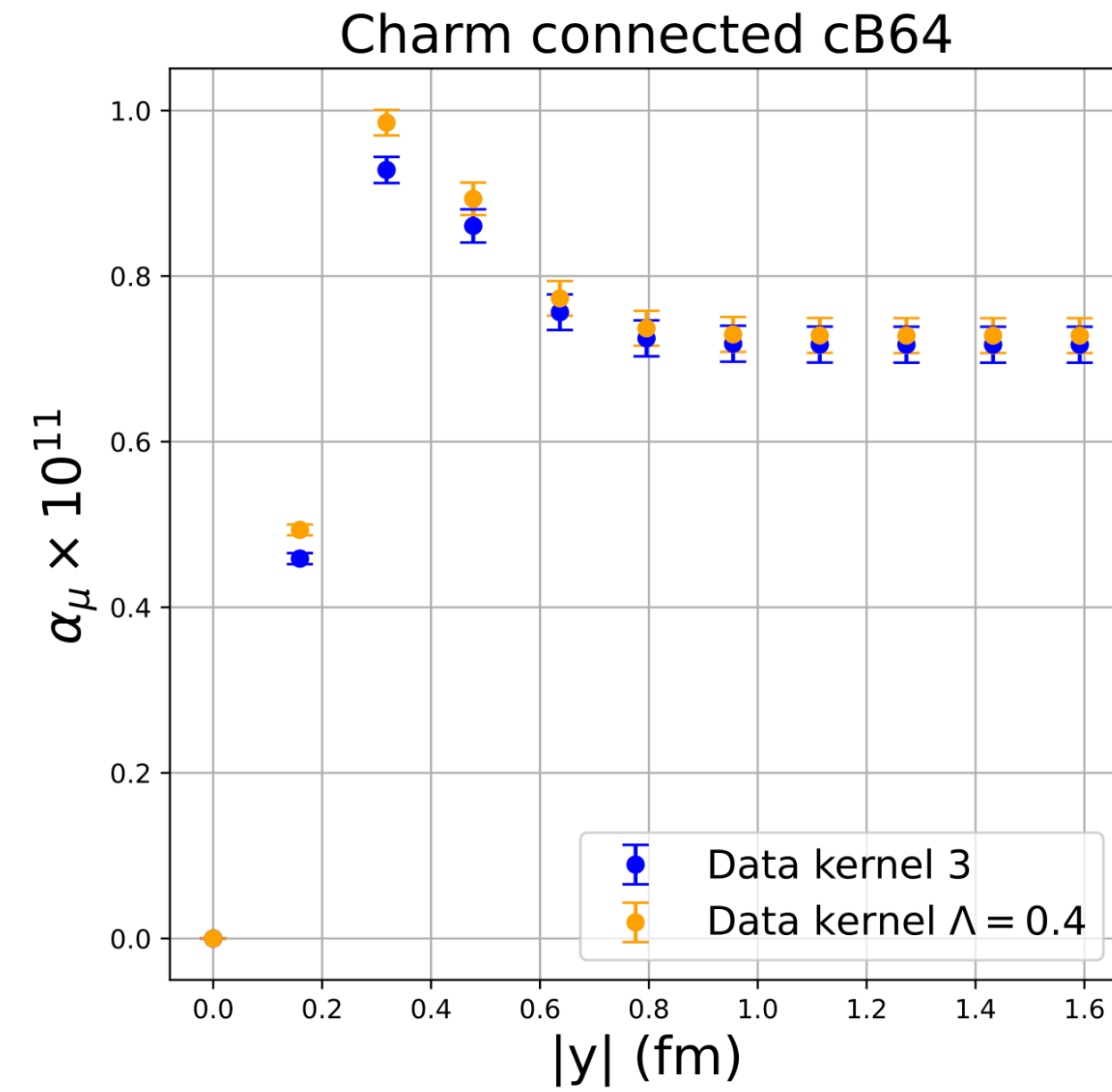
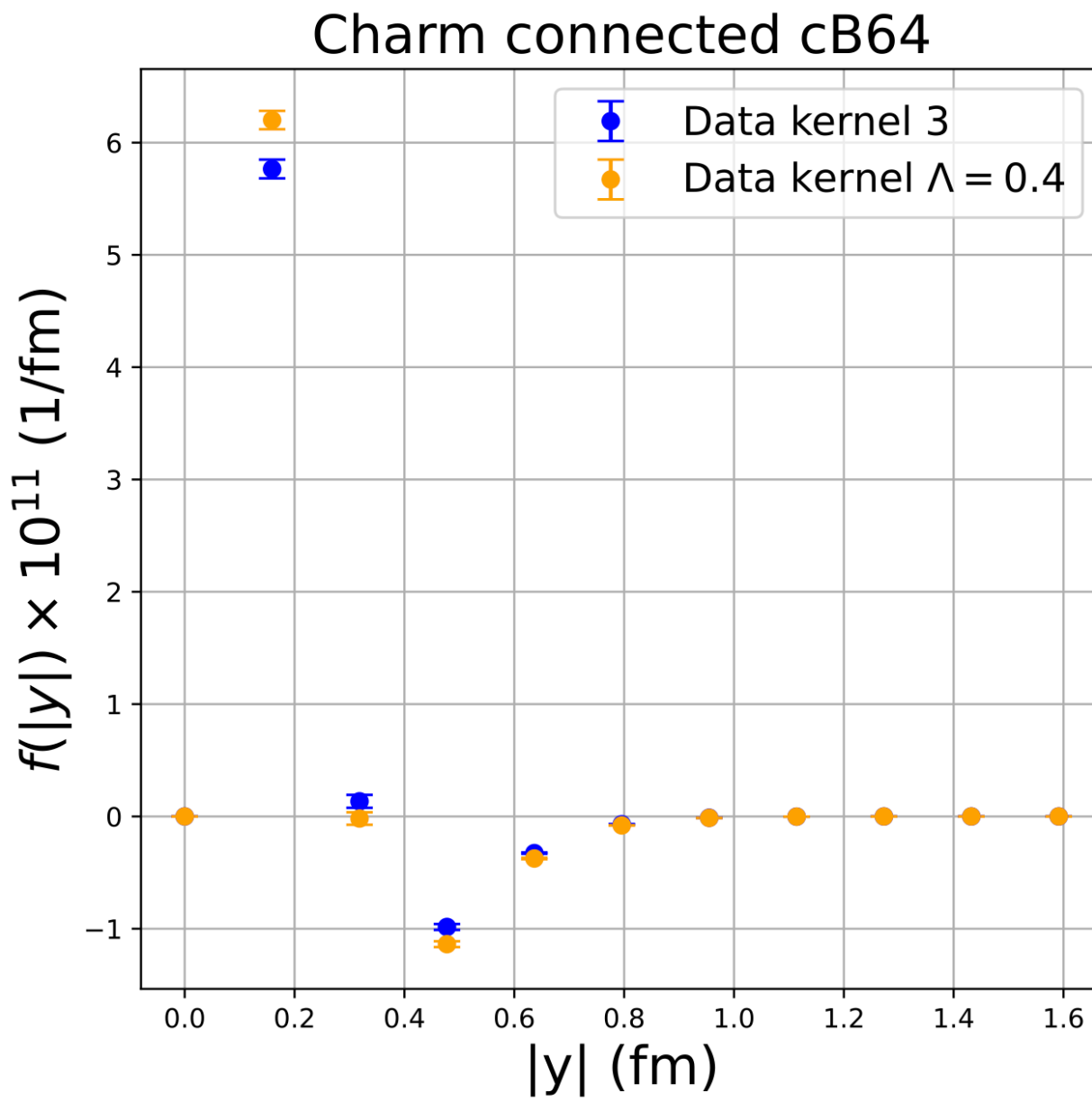
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- Charm, Strange quarks: All three ensembles.
- Light quarks: cB64 so far.
- We work with two kernels (estimate of FVE and lattice artefacts): [Kernel 3](#) and [Kernel  \$\Lambda = 0.4\$](#) .
- Note: The results presented are preliminary.

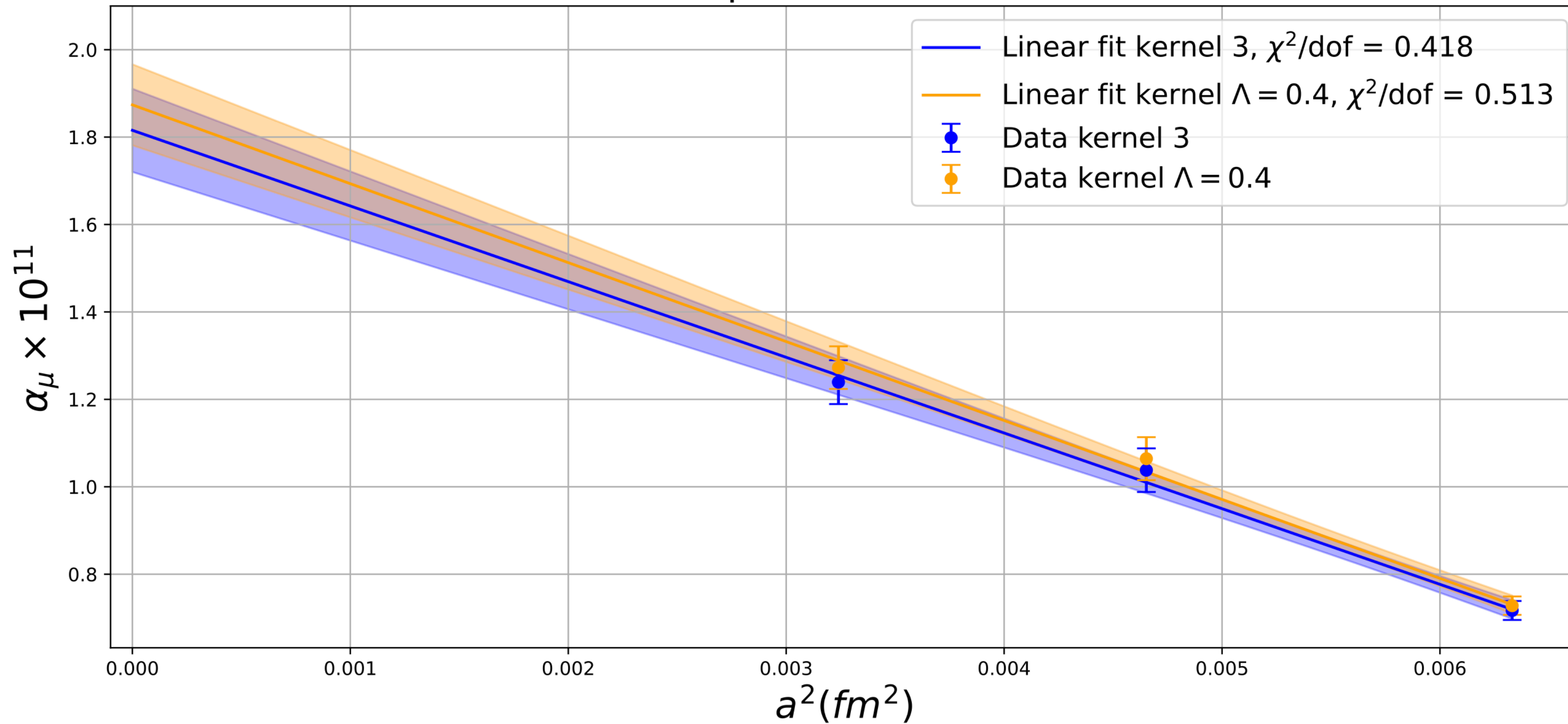
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- Small contribution to HLbL.

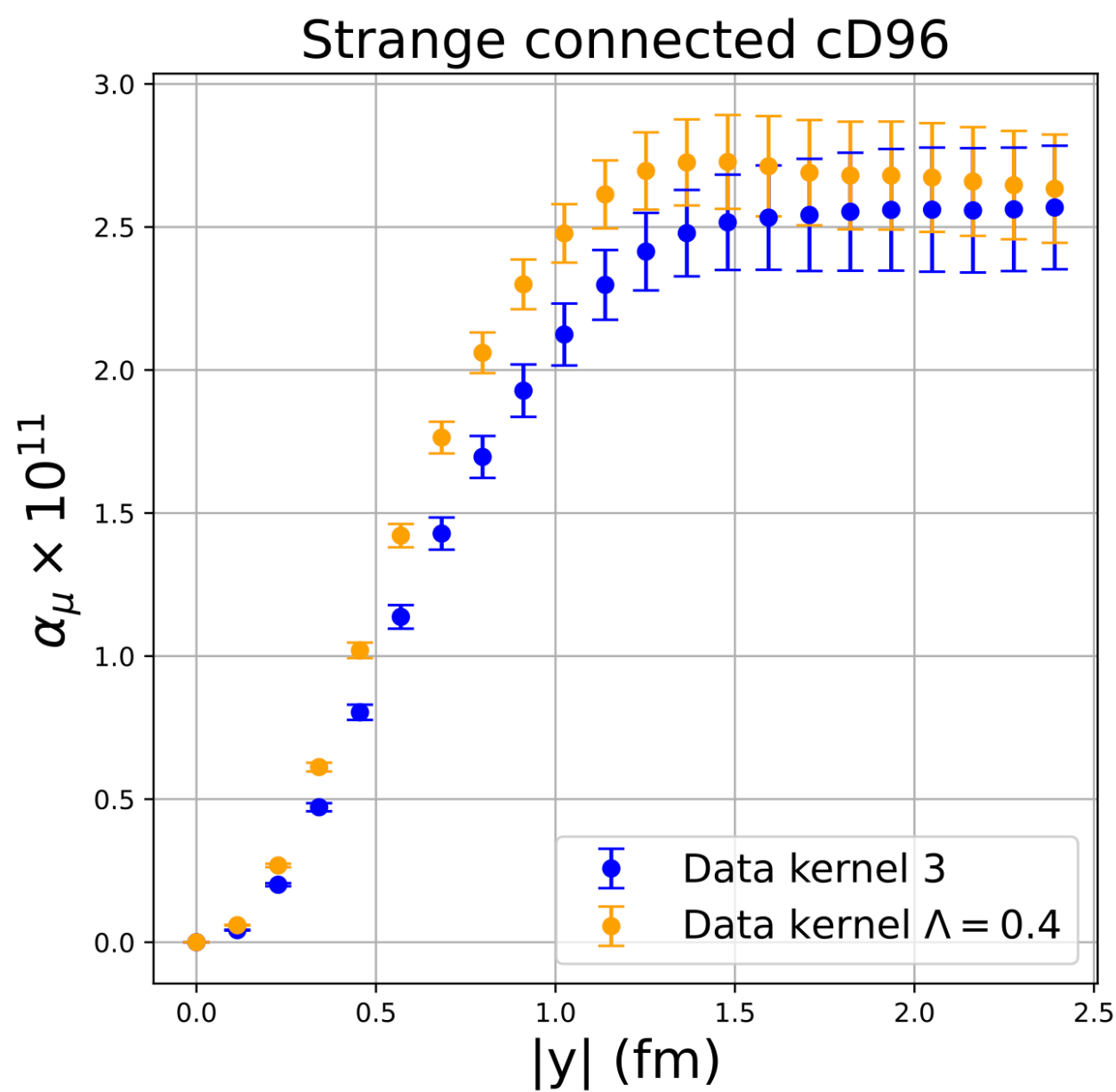
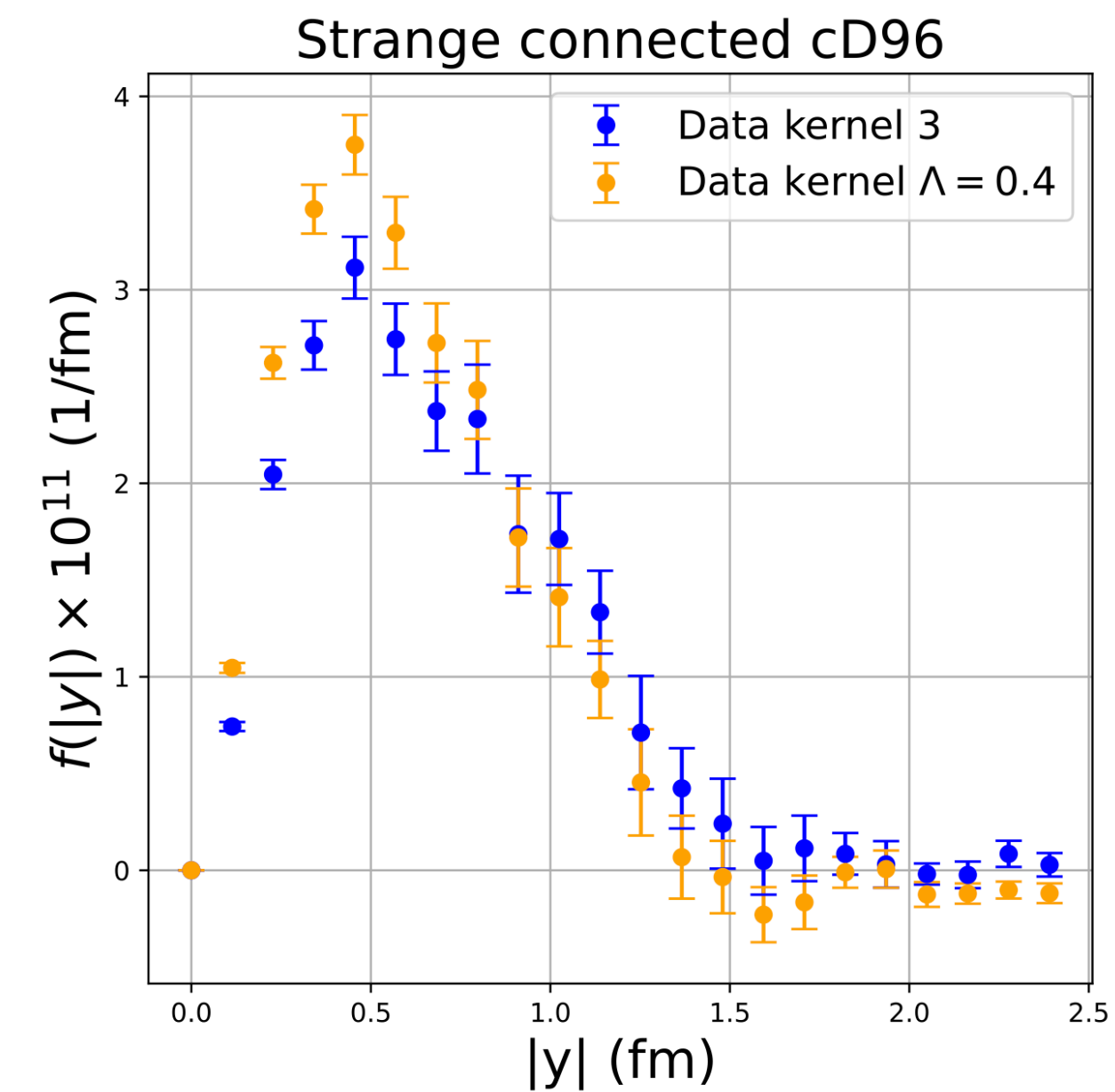
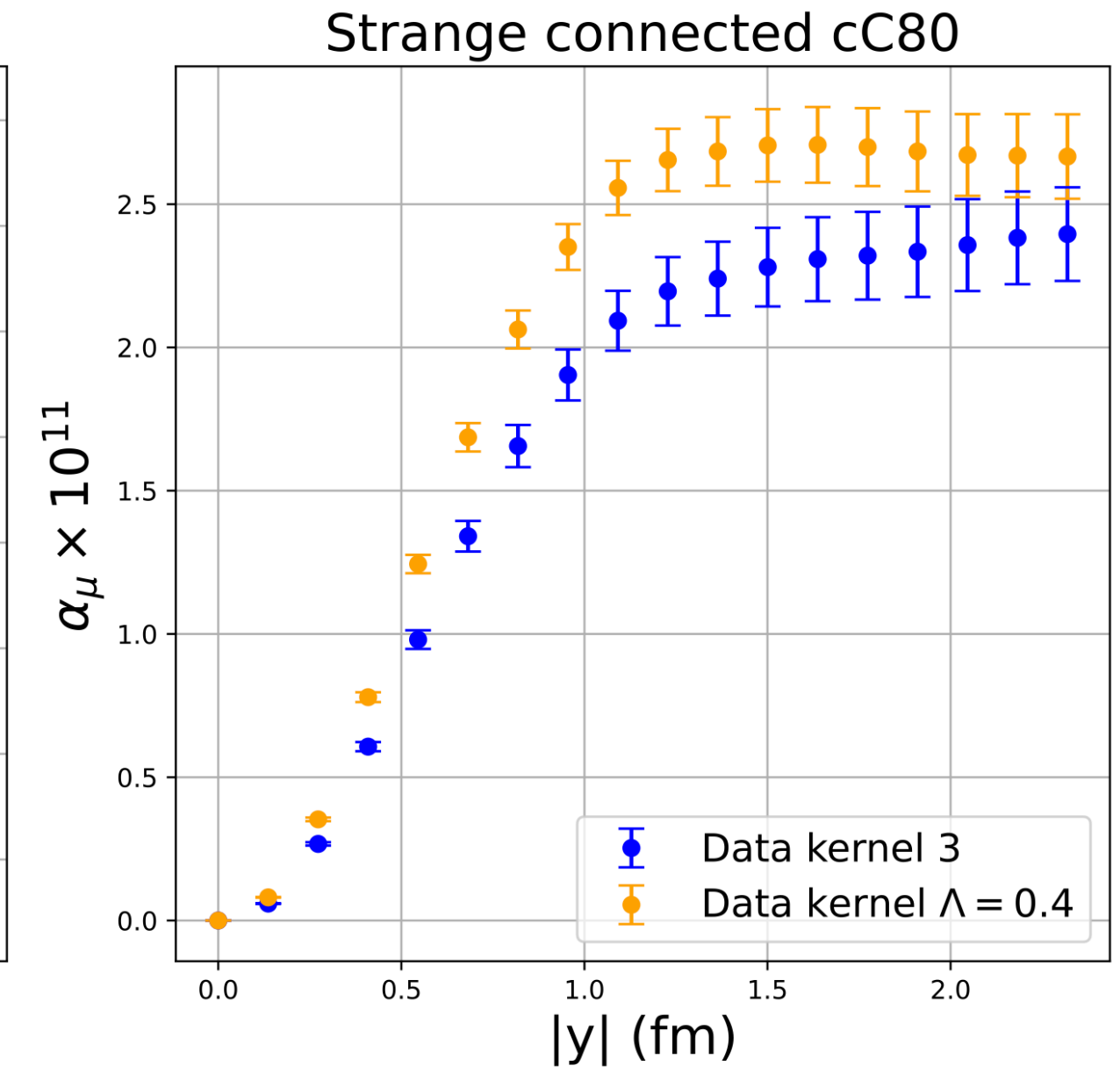
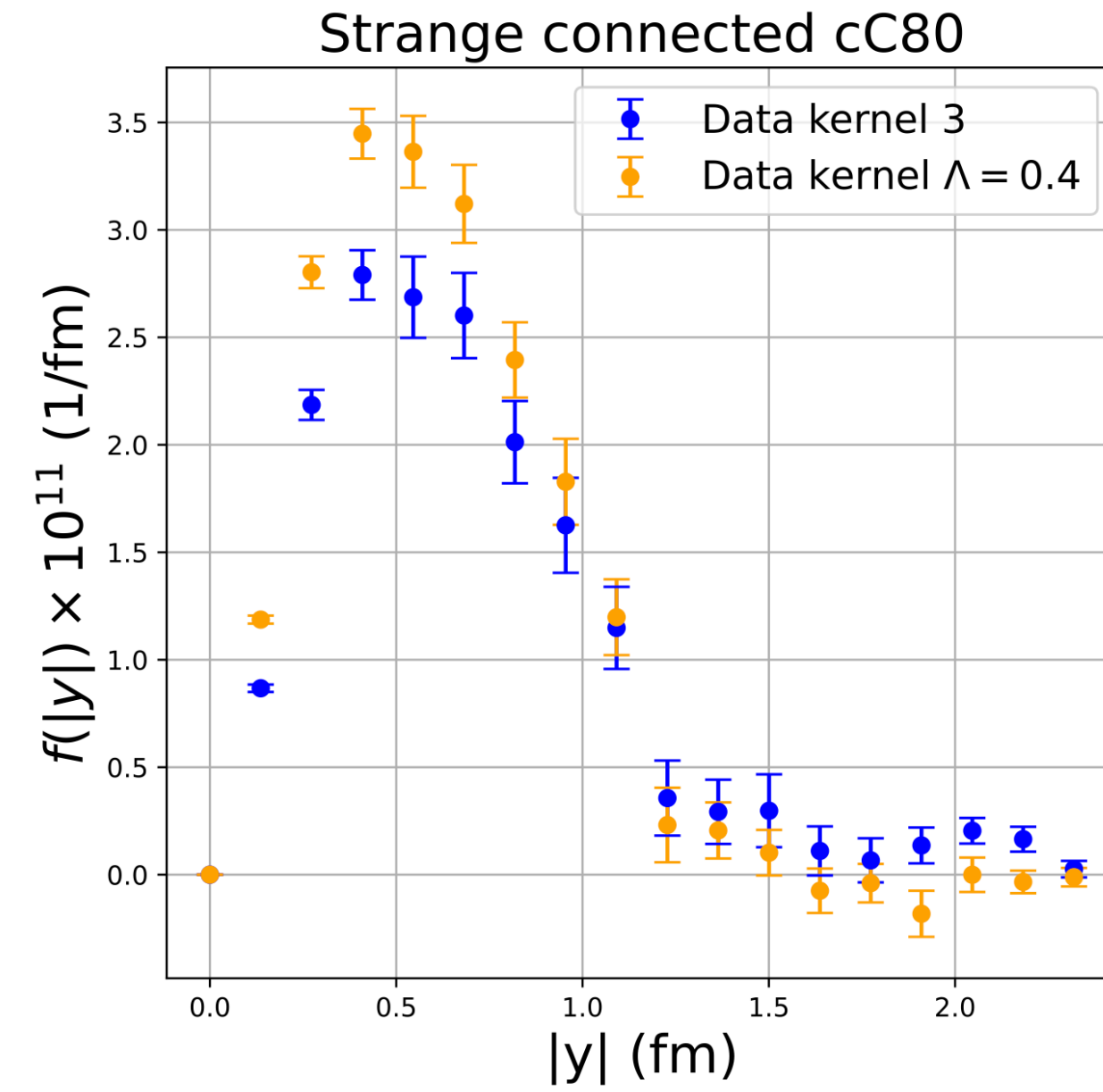
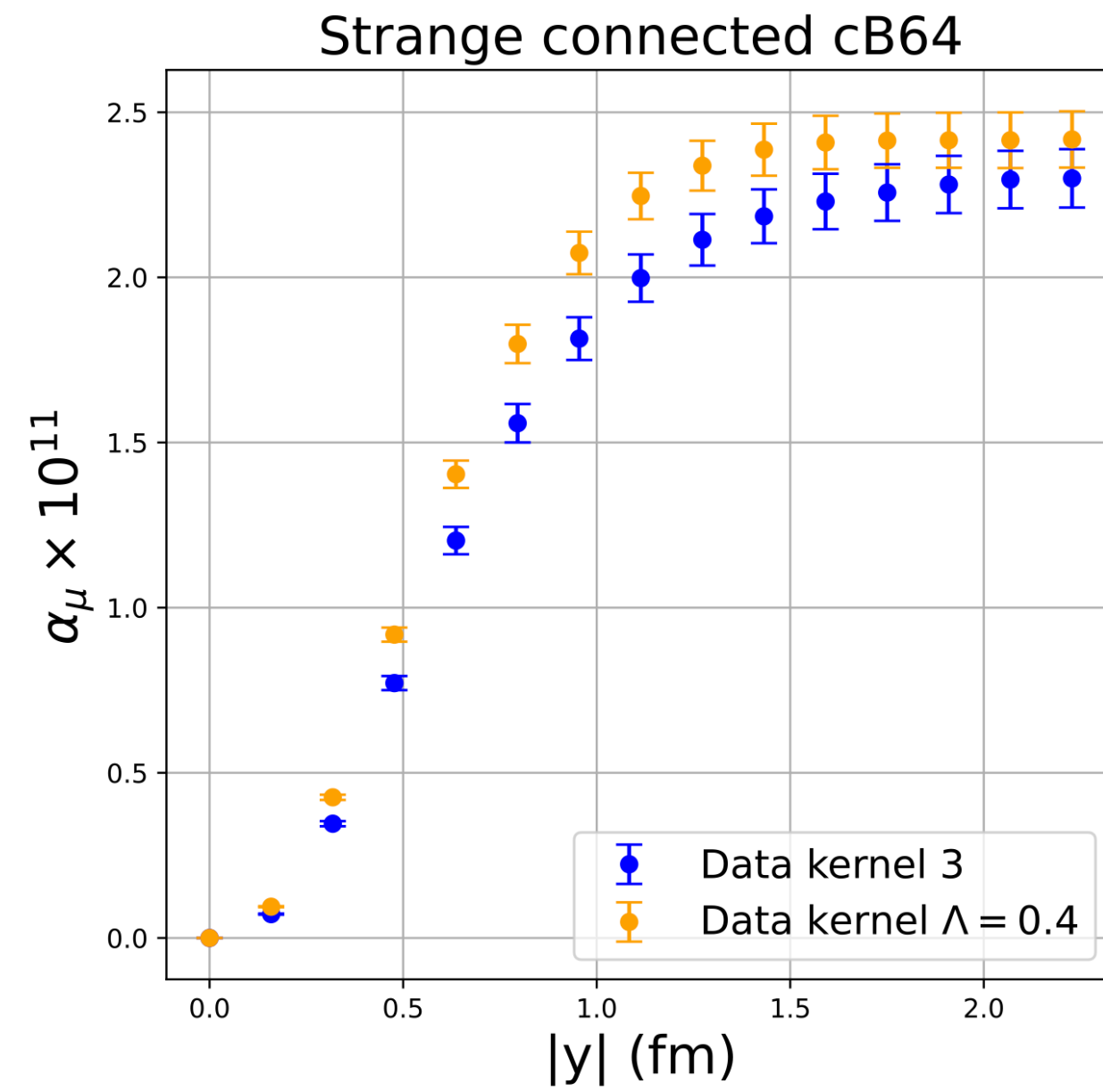
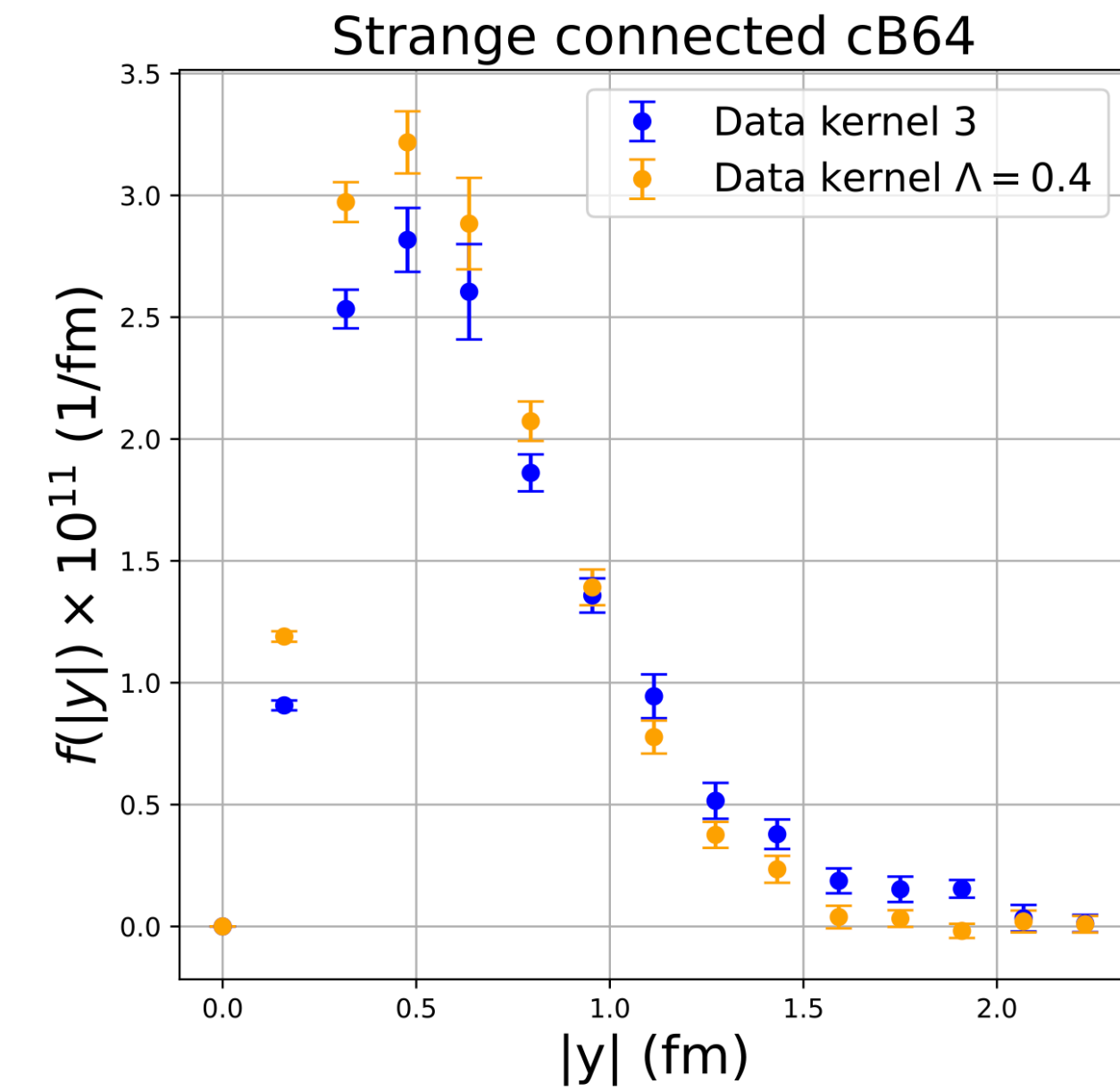
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Continuum extrapolation for charm connected



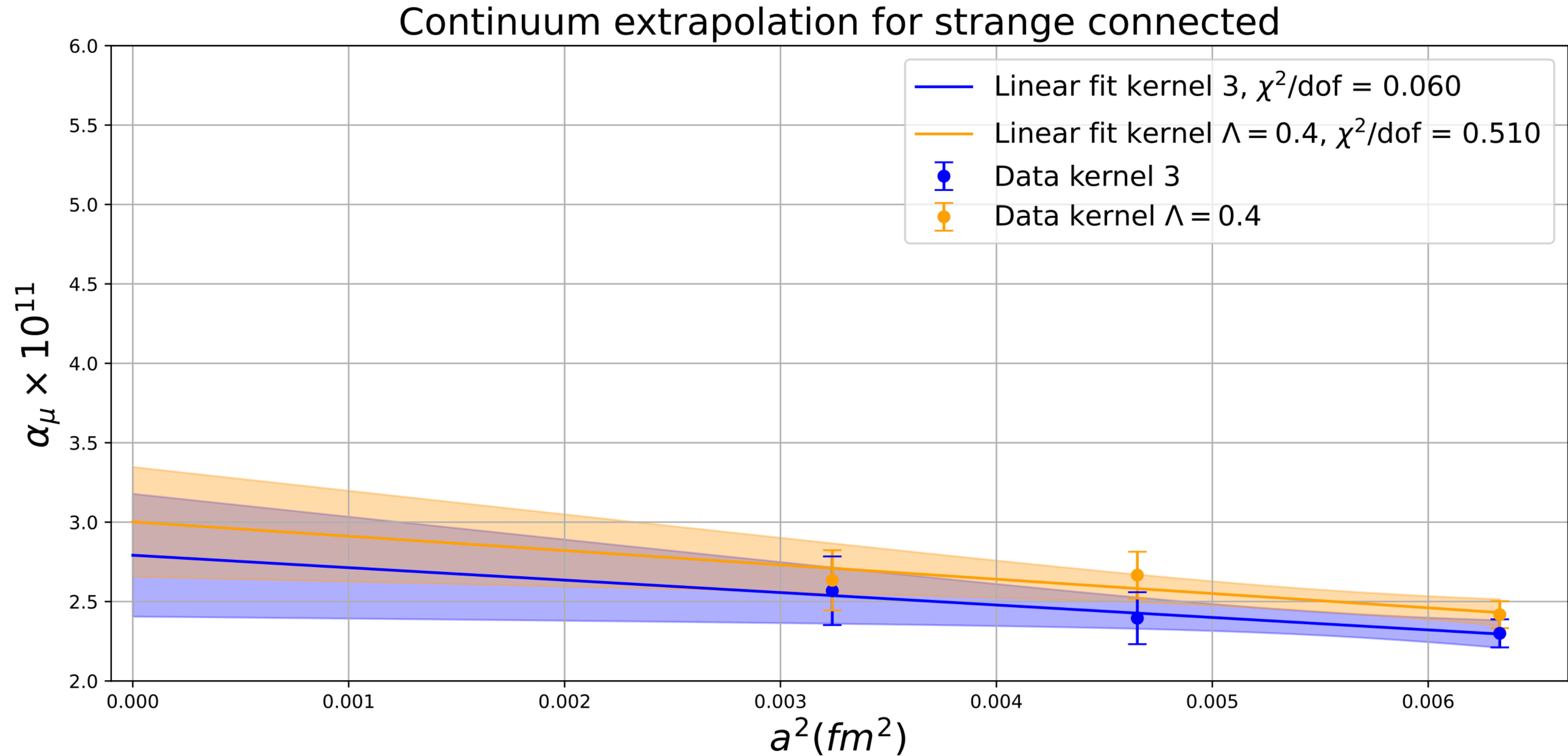
- Linear fit in  $a^2$  describes the extrapolation accurately (expected for twisted-mass).
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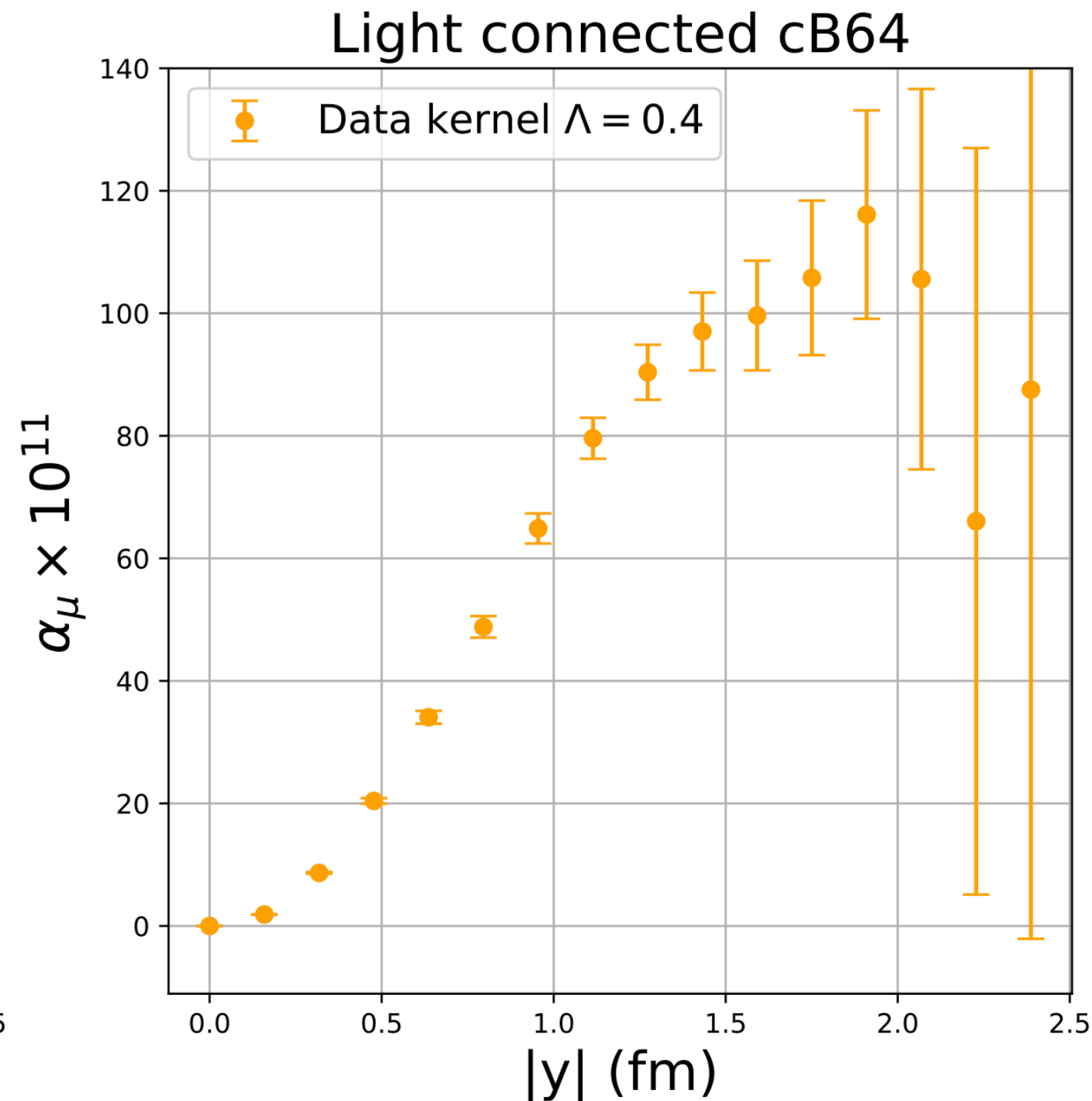
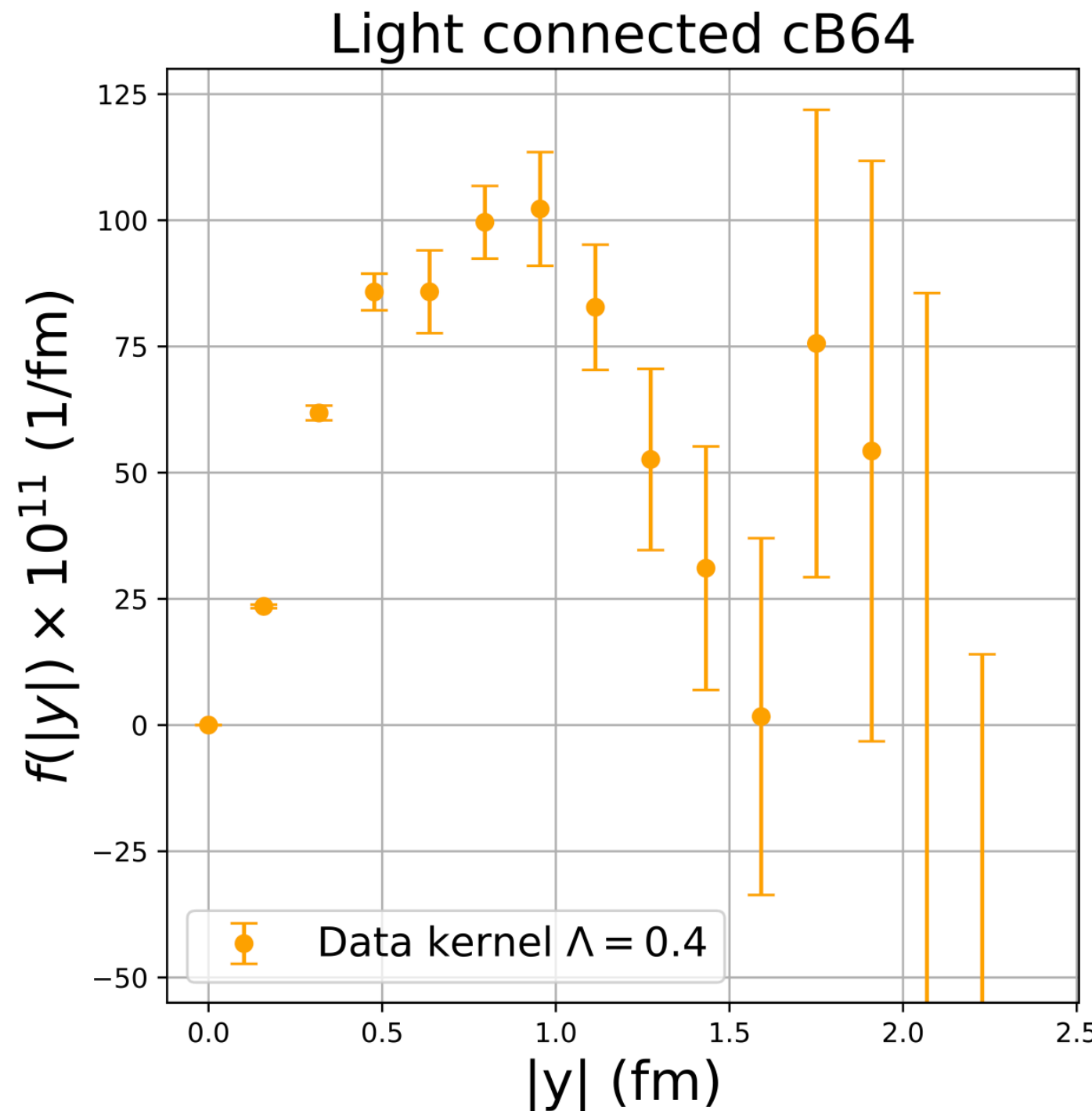
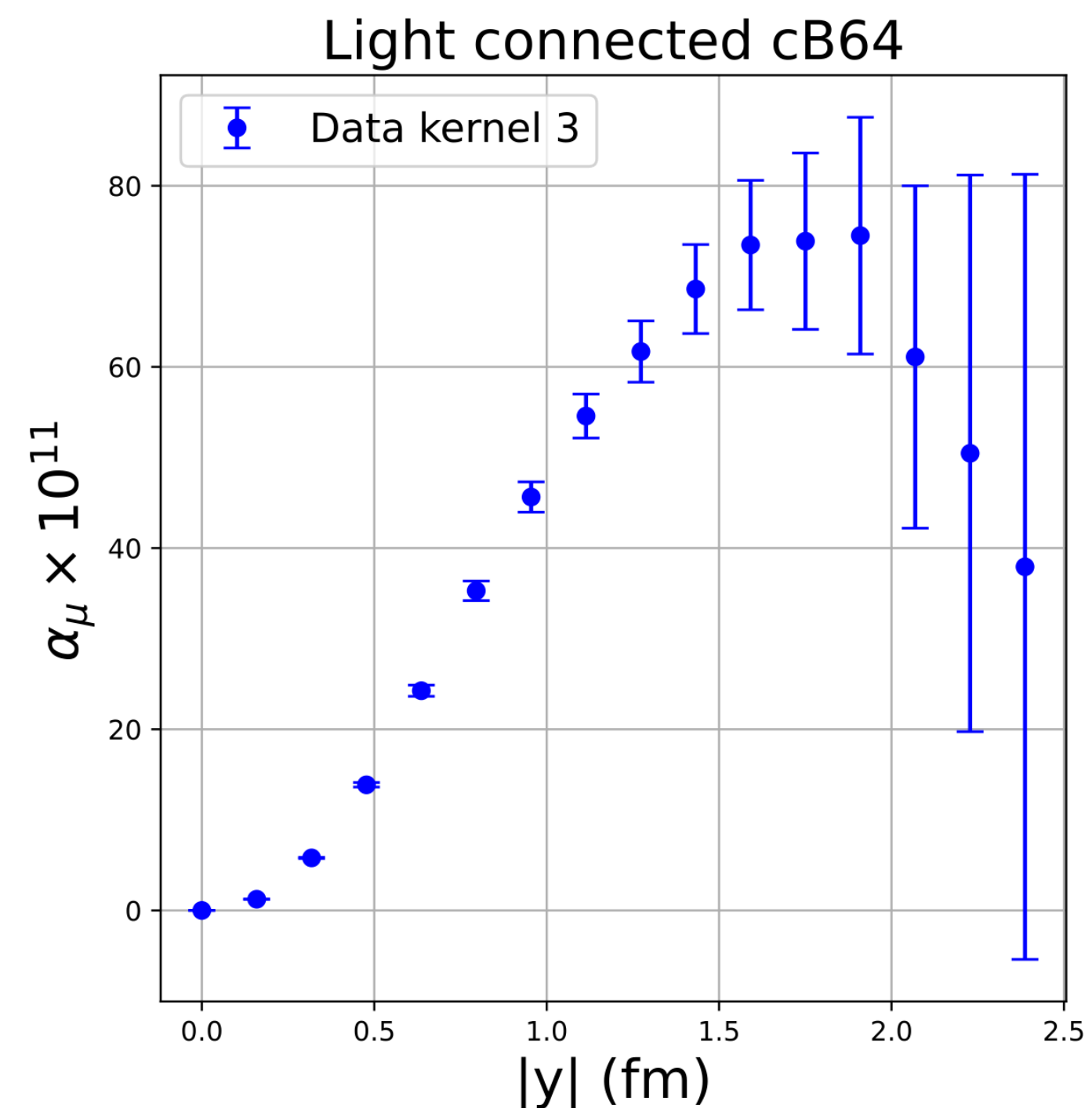
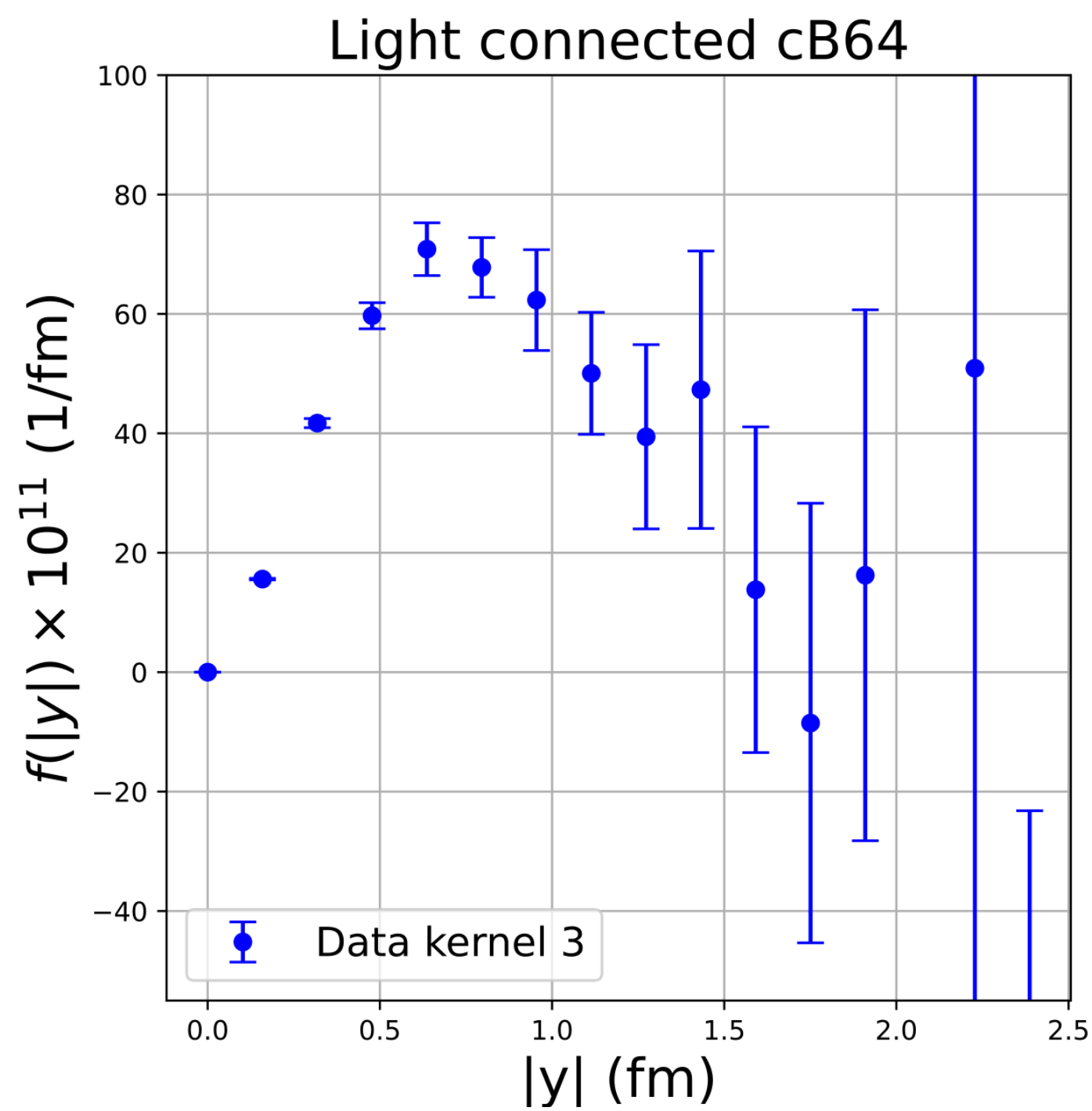
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- Similar order of magnitude to charm-connected.
- Linear fit in  $a^2$  seems to describe the extrapolation accurately.
- Discretisation effects smaller compared to charm-connected.
- Plan to run more configurations for cC80 and cD96.
- Statistical error is under control.
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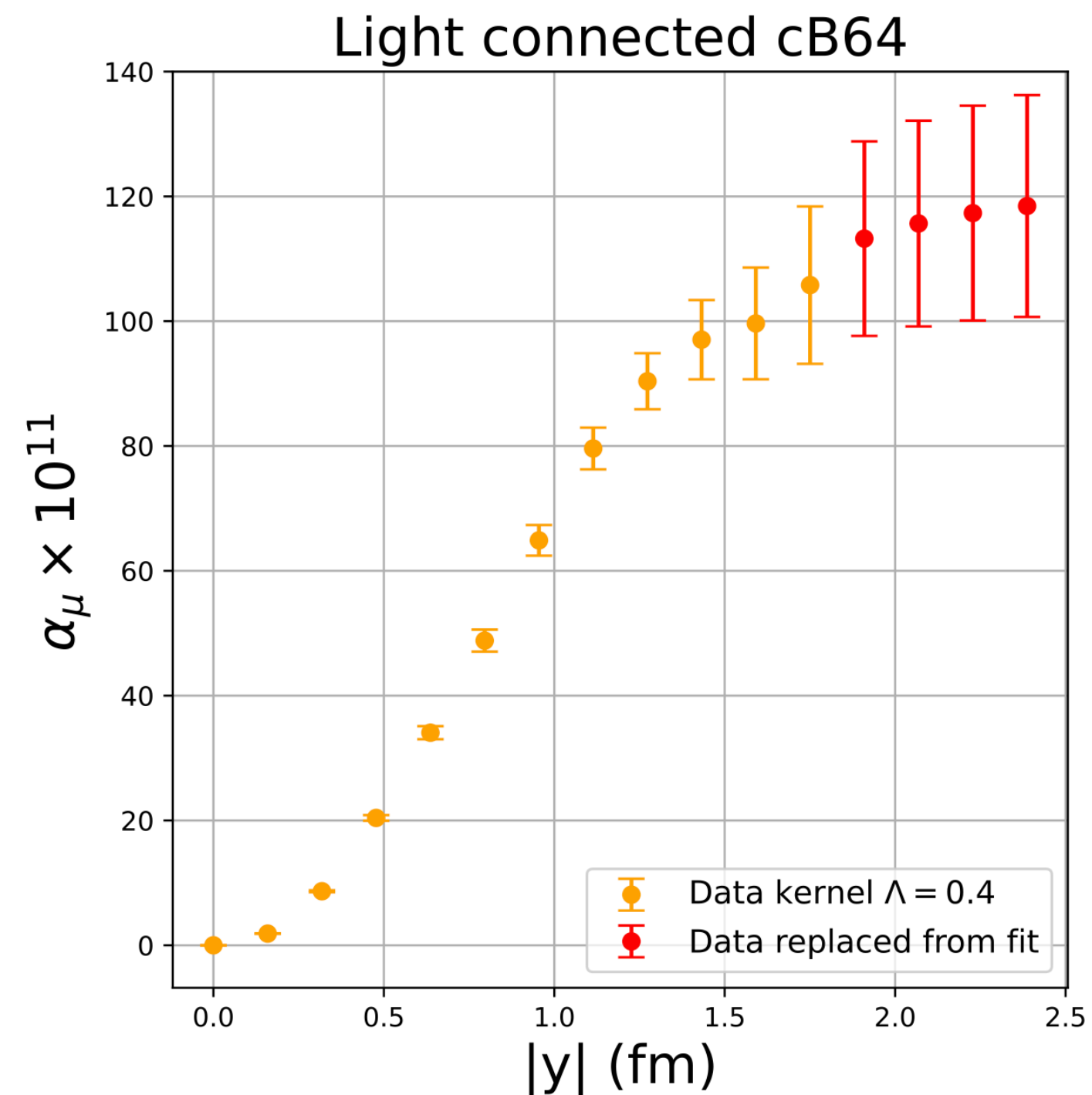
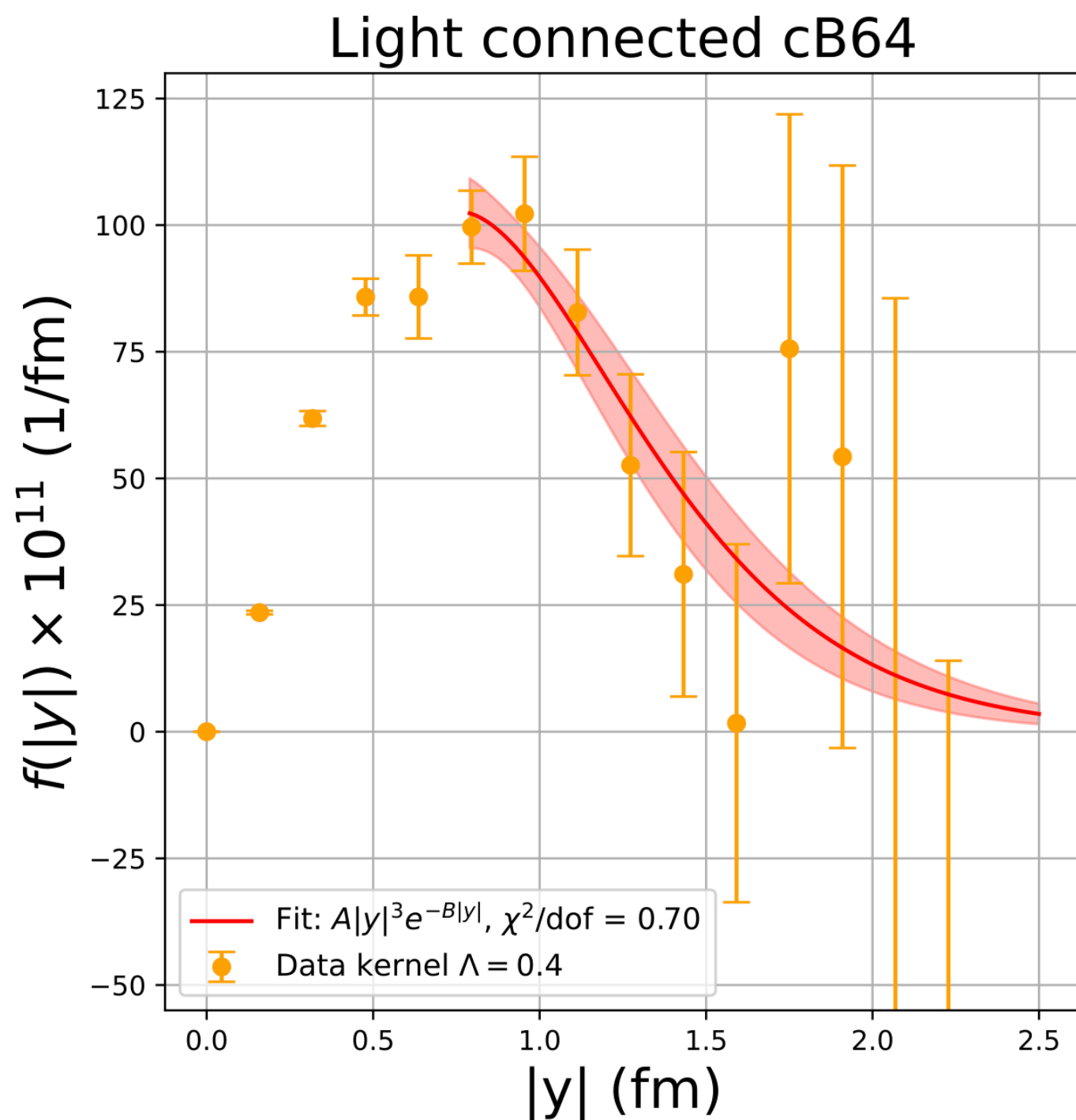
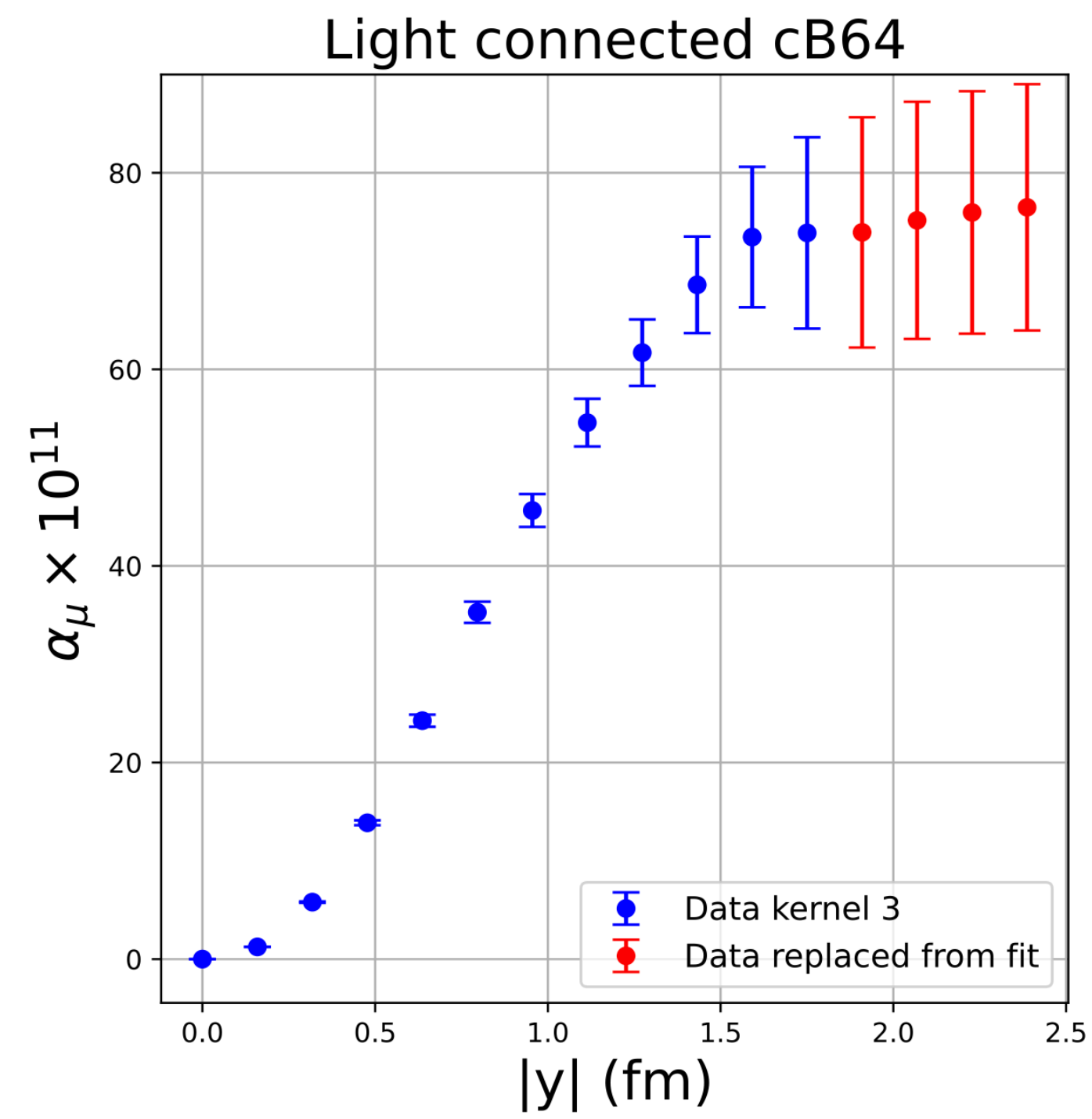
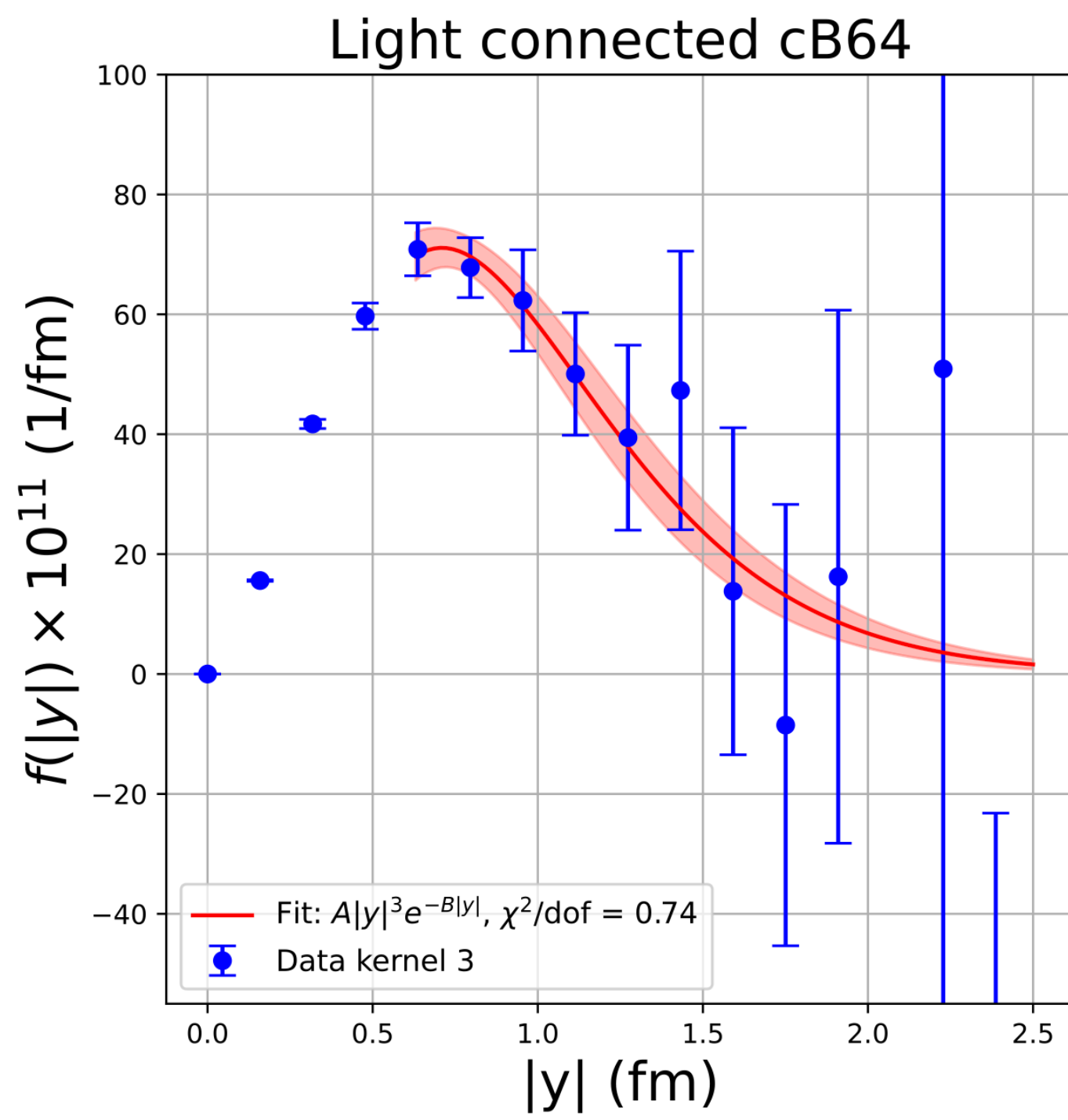


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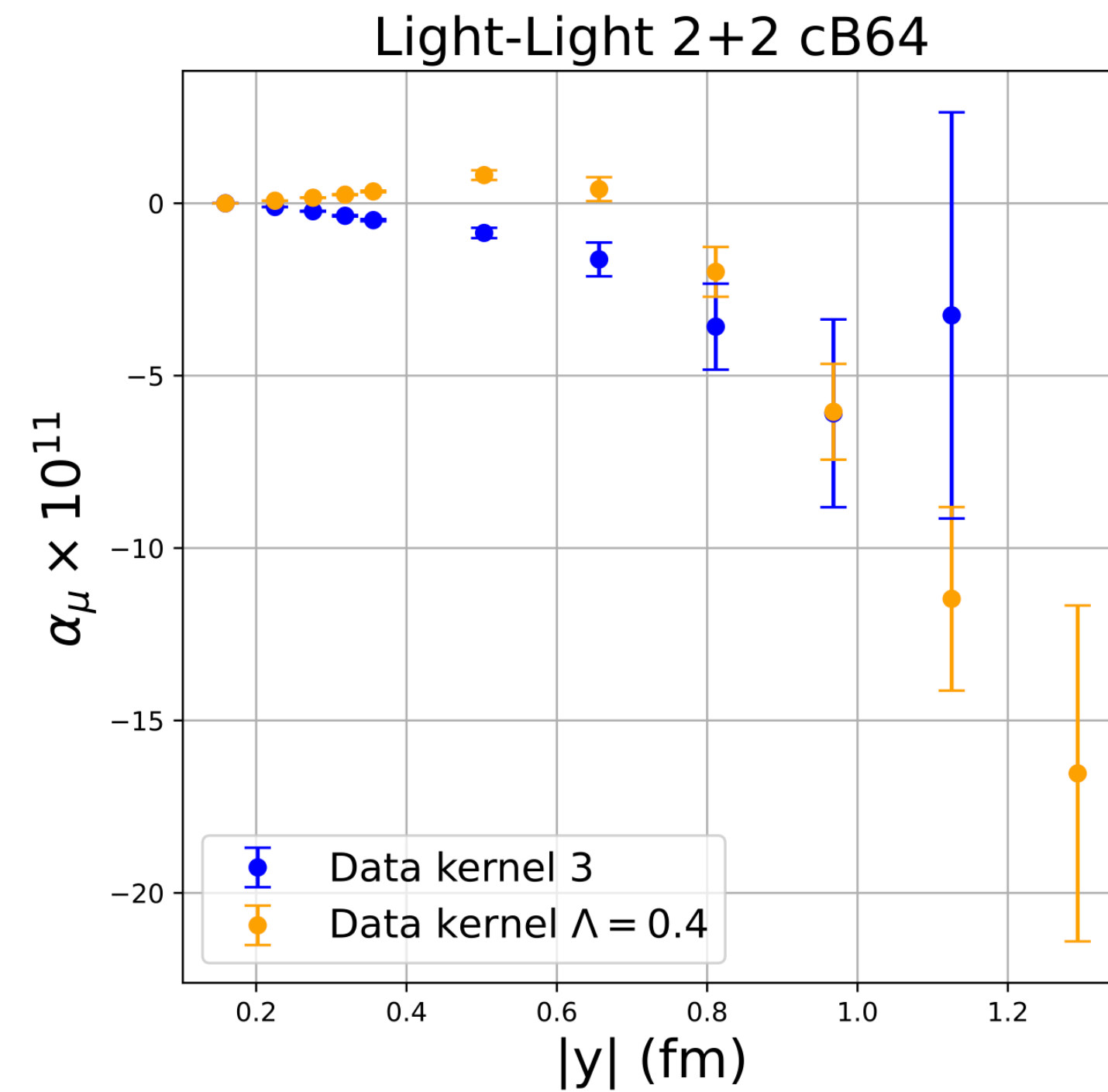
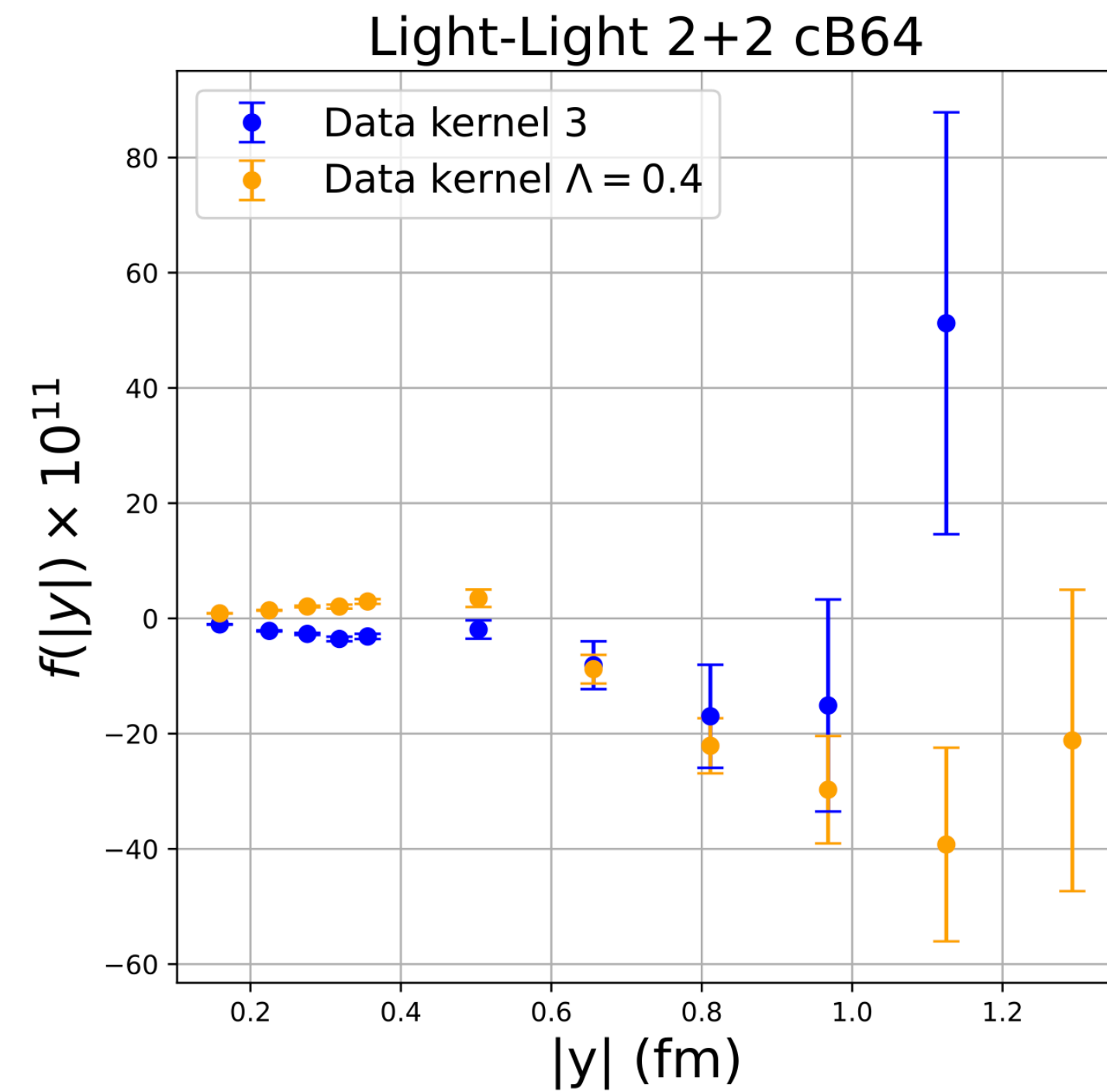
- Dominant contribution to HLbL.
- Good quality for the signal up to  $\sim 1.5$  fm.
- After  $\sim 1.5$  fm it becomes noisy: How can we deal with it?
- Model the tail with the PS pole contributions (in progress); also better estimation of FVE.
- Use a more general model to replace the data of the tail.

# Light connected: preliminary results



- One such model:  $A |y|^3 e^{-B|y|}$  (Mainz 2021).
- Good description of  $f(|y|)$  after the peak.
- Replace the data after 1.9 fm with the model.
- Adds a systematic error that needs to be calculated (in progress).
- For both kernels  $\sim 95\%$  of the signal comes from the pure data.

# Light-Light 2+2: preliminary results



- Light-Light: Dominant contribution to  $\alpha_\mu^{disc}$ .
- Difficult to calculate (very noisy).
- **Kernel 3**: low statistics (to be increased).
- **Kernel  $\Lambda = 0.4$** : good signal up to  $\sim 1.2$  fm.
- Next steps:
  - Increase statistics after  $\sim 1$  fm and extend data to larger distances;
  - Extend analysis to light-strange and strange-strange (in progress).

# Conclusions and future directions

Charm and Strange connected	Light connected	Light-Light 2+2	Light-Strange and Strange-Strange 2+2
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# Thank you for your attention!

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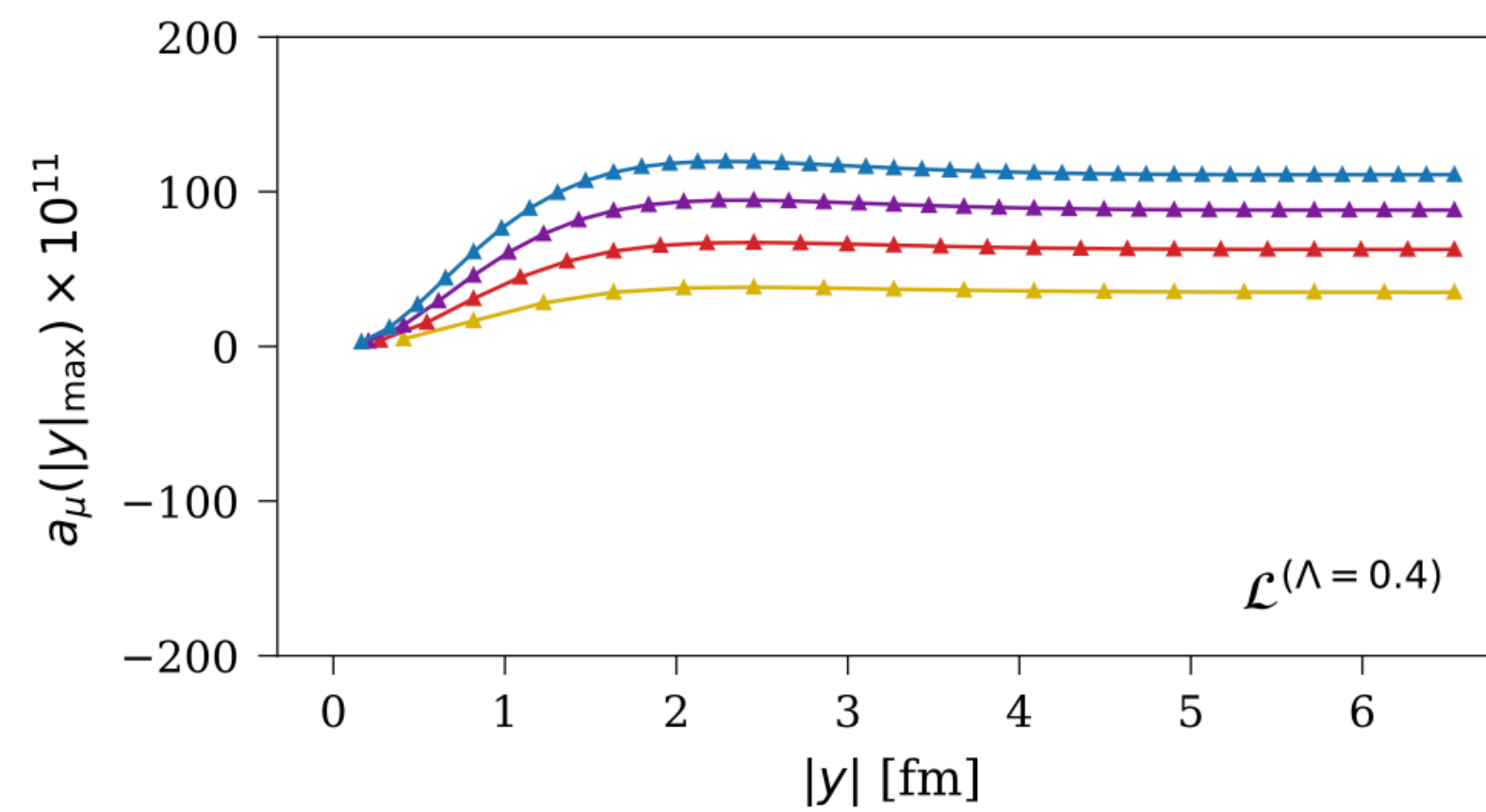
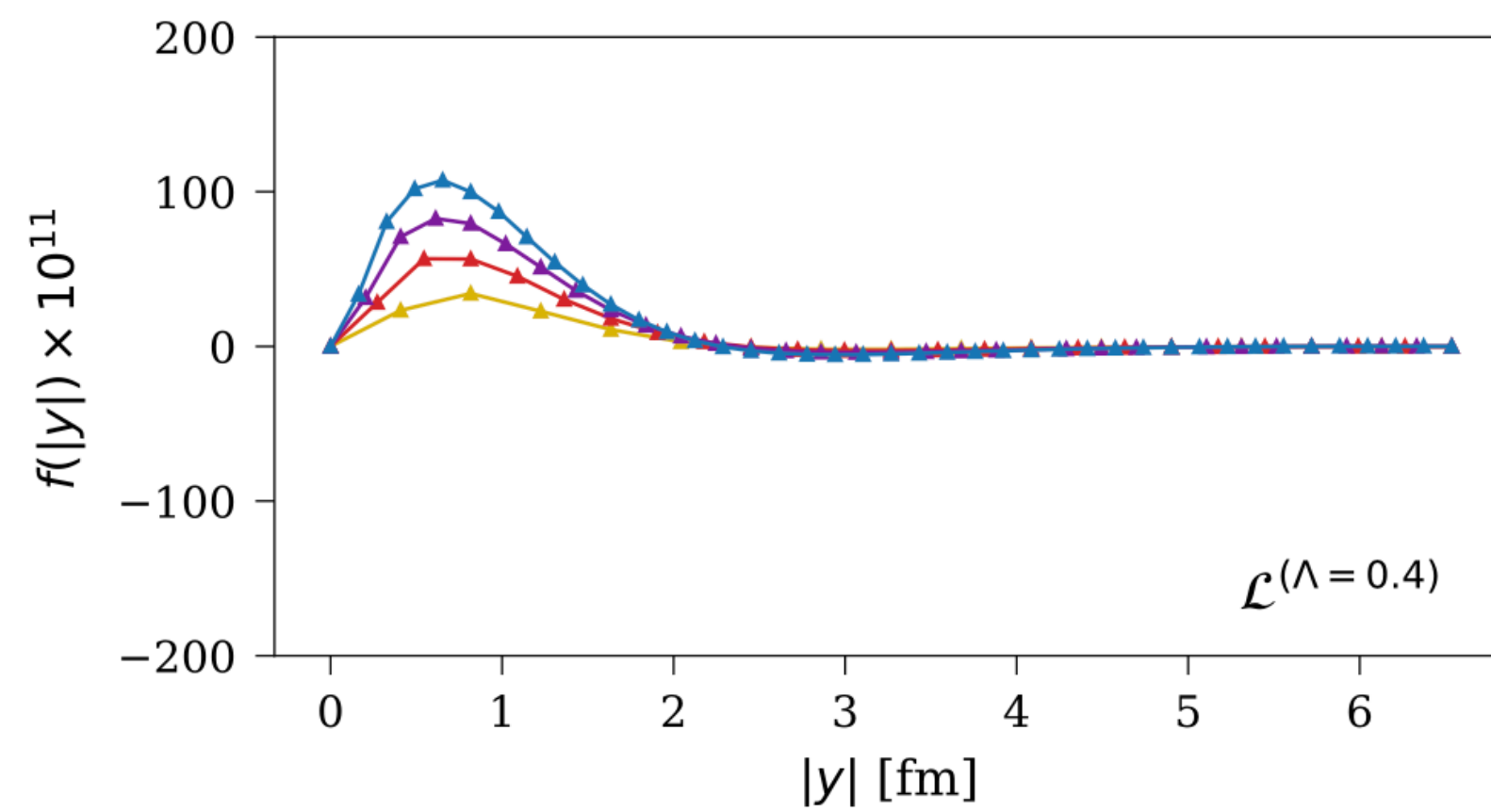
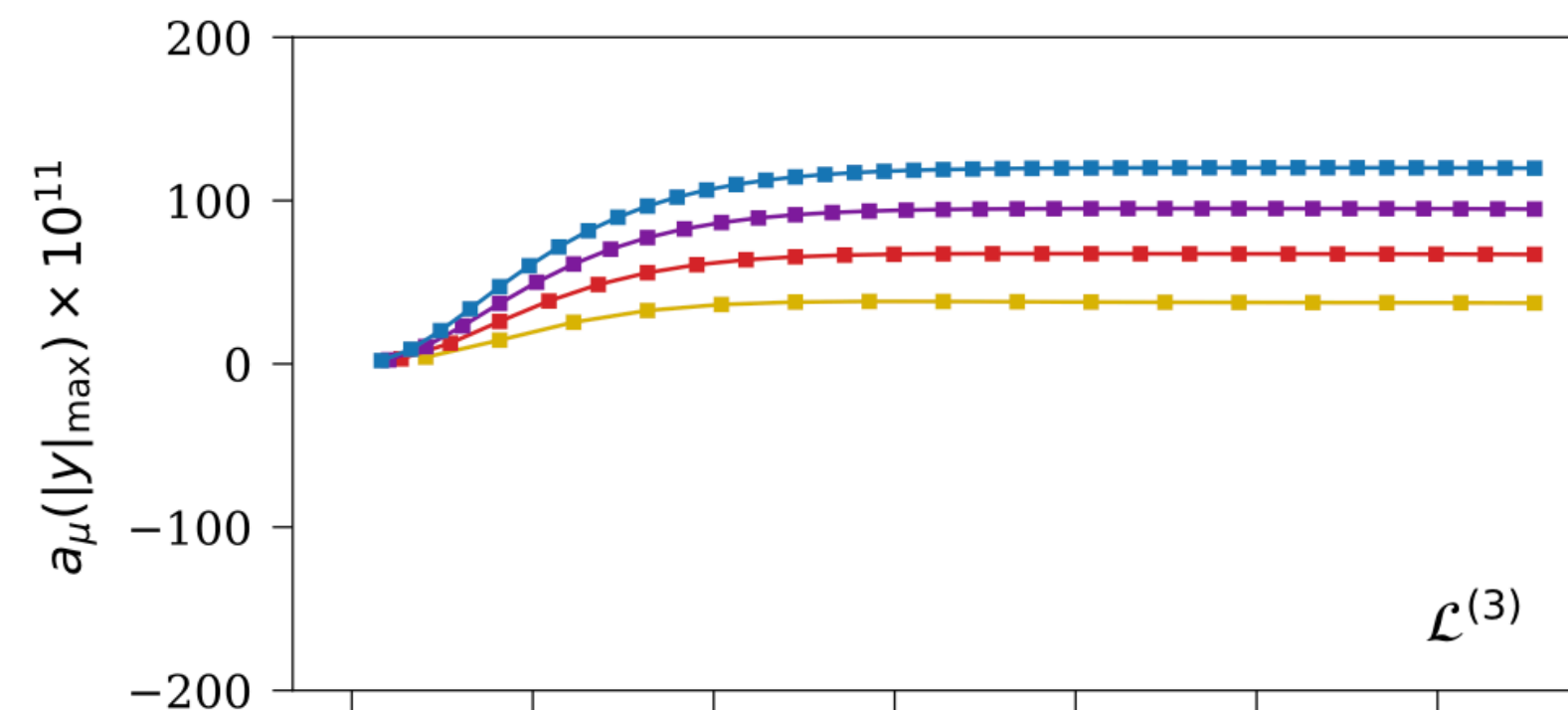
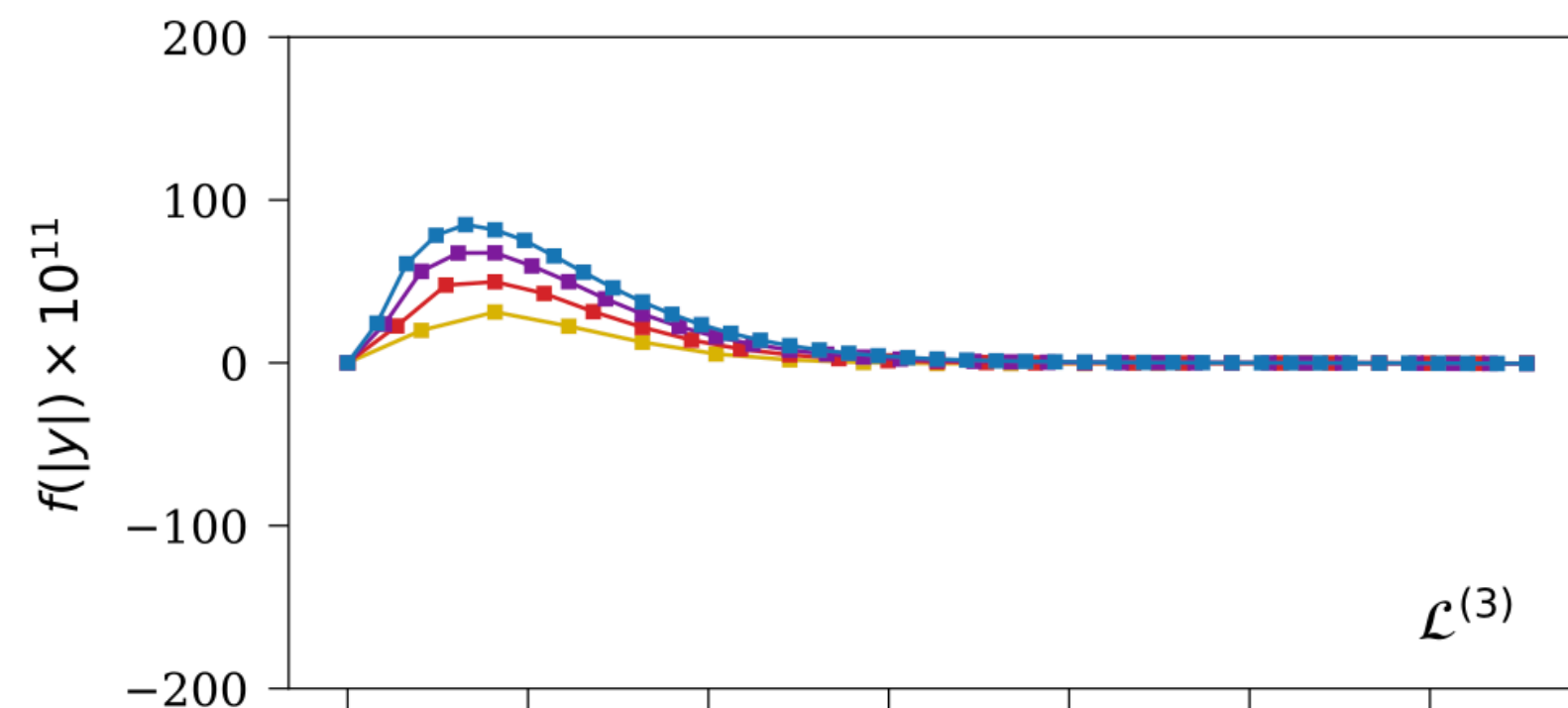
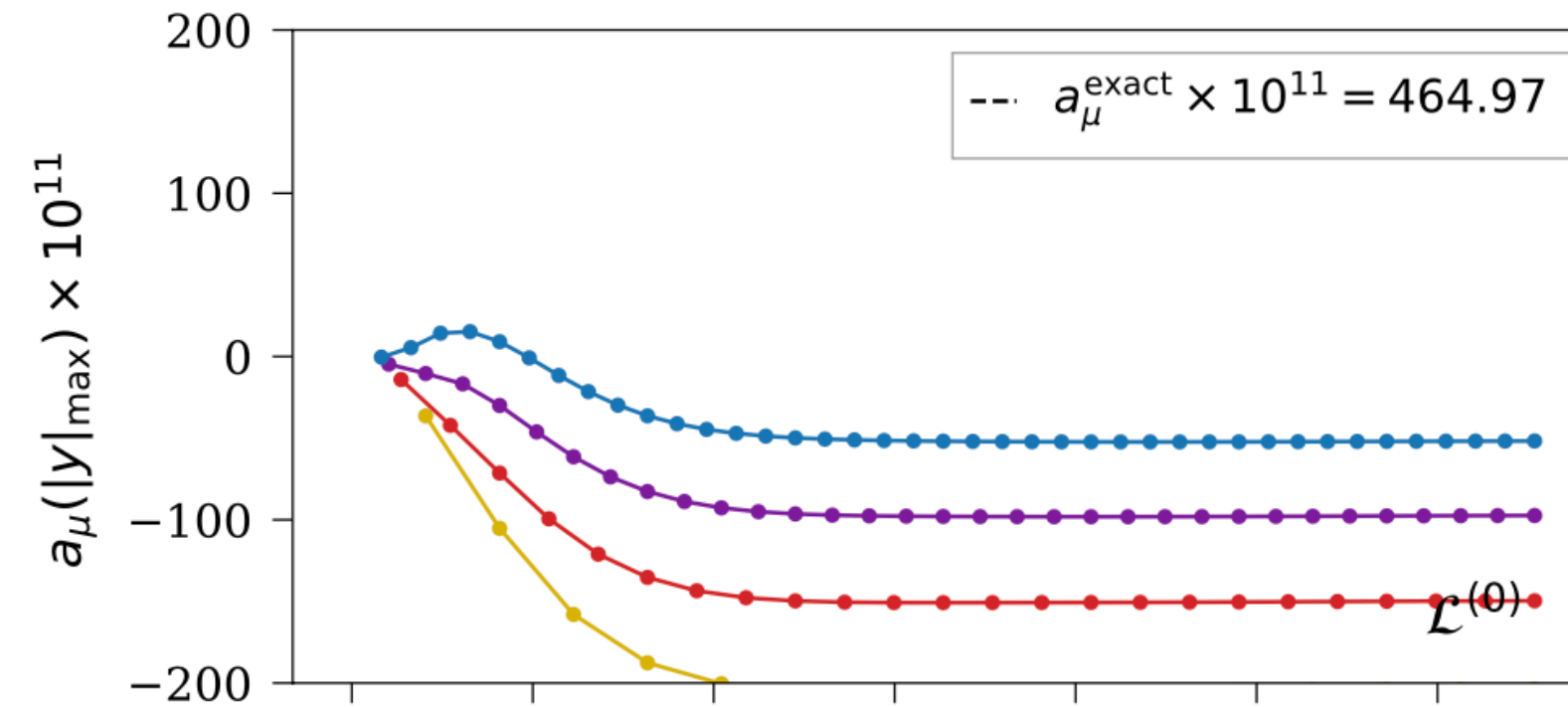
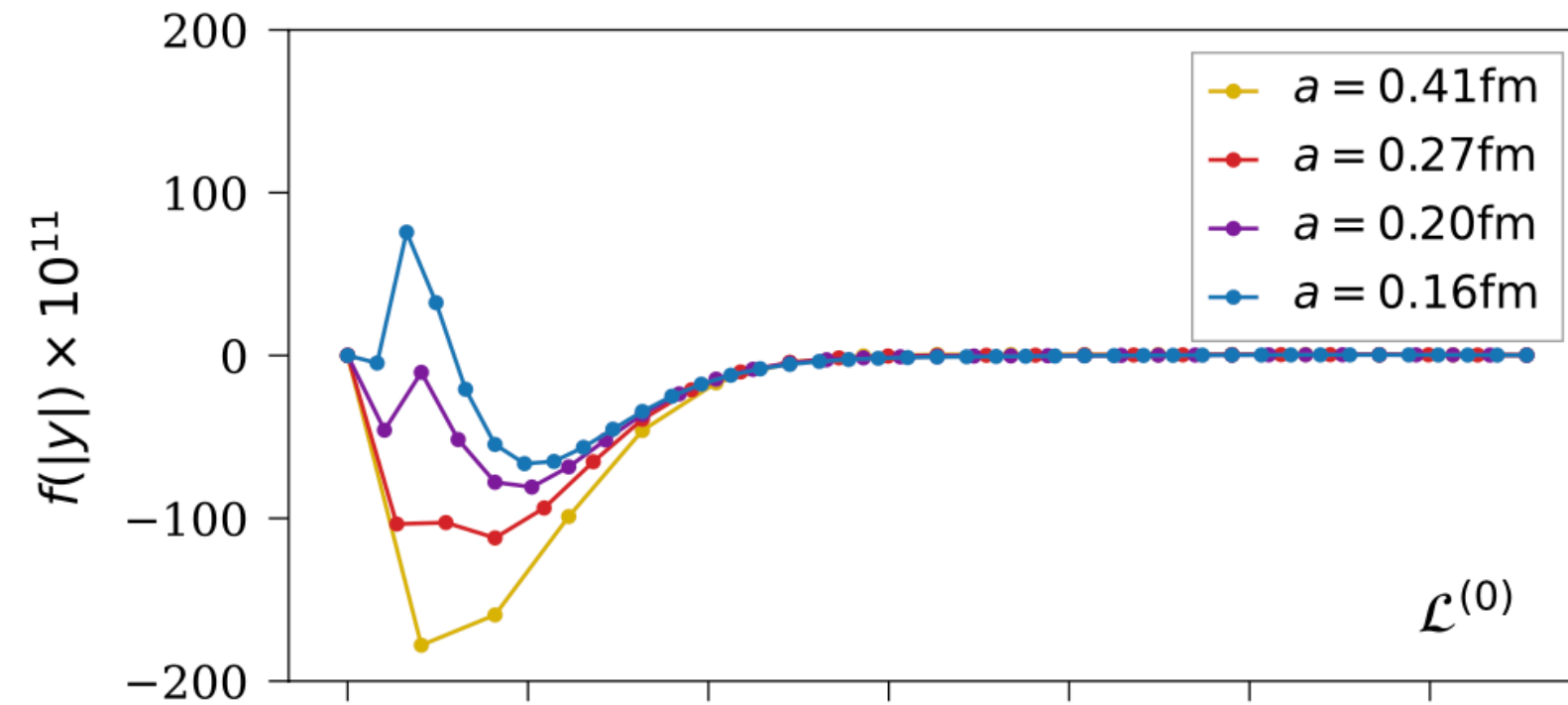
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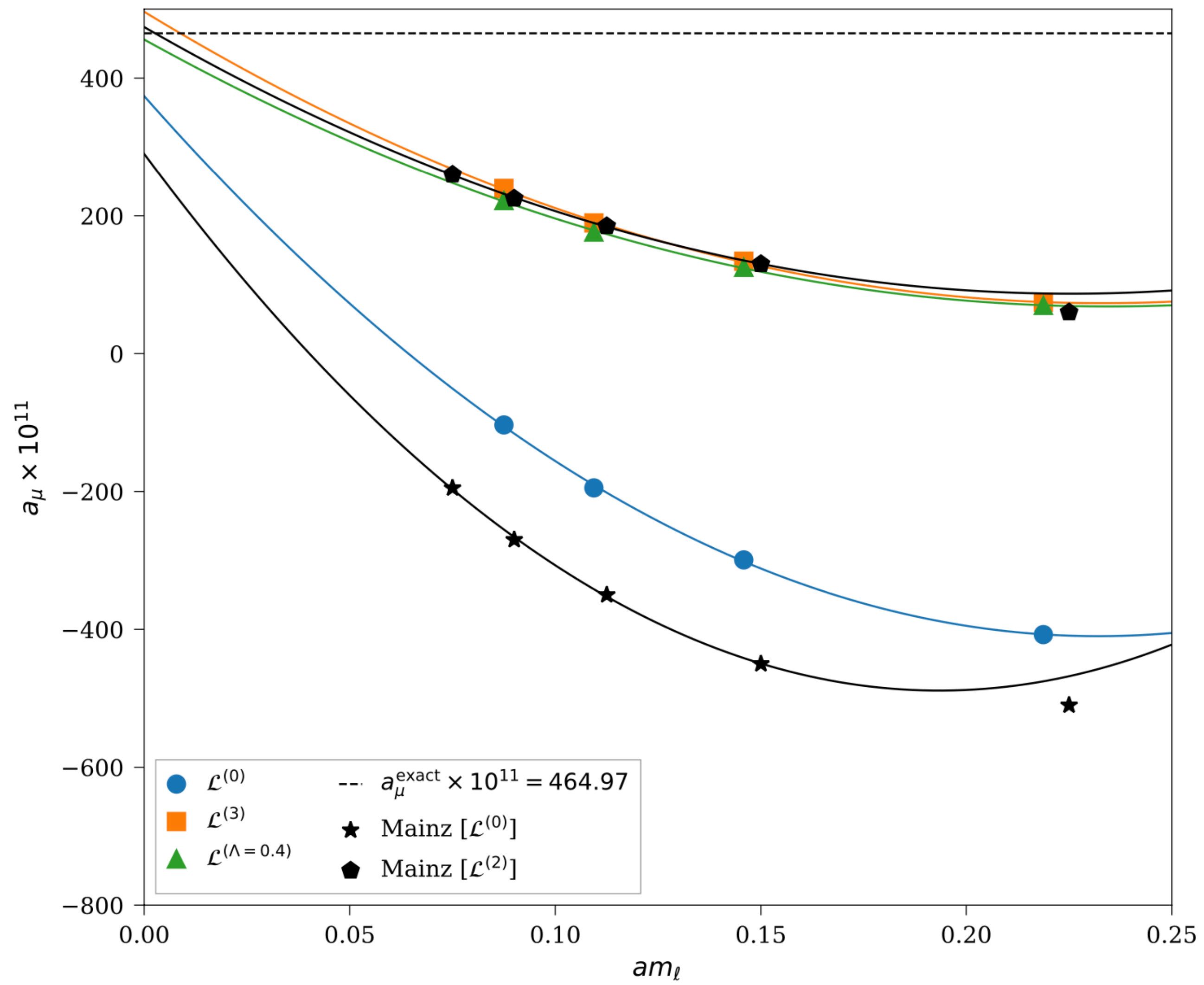


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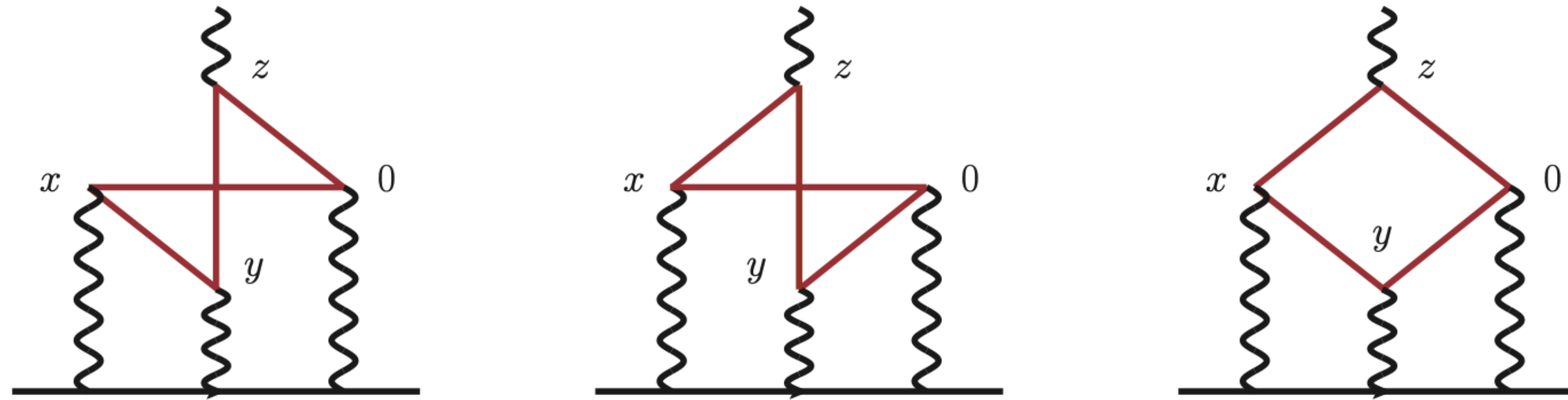


# Lepton-loop cross-check





# Fully-connected contribution



- Each diagram: 2 contractions with quark flow in opposite directions.
- To compute this contribution: Pick a reference diagram that is easier to compute - the 1st one in our case.
- Then, use a change of variables in the integrals to relate the other diagrams to the first.

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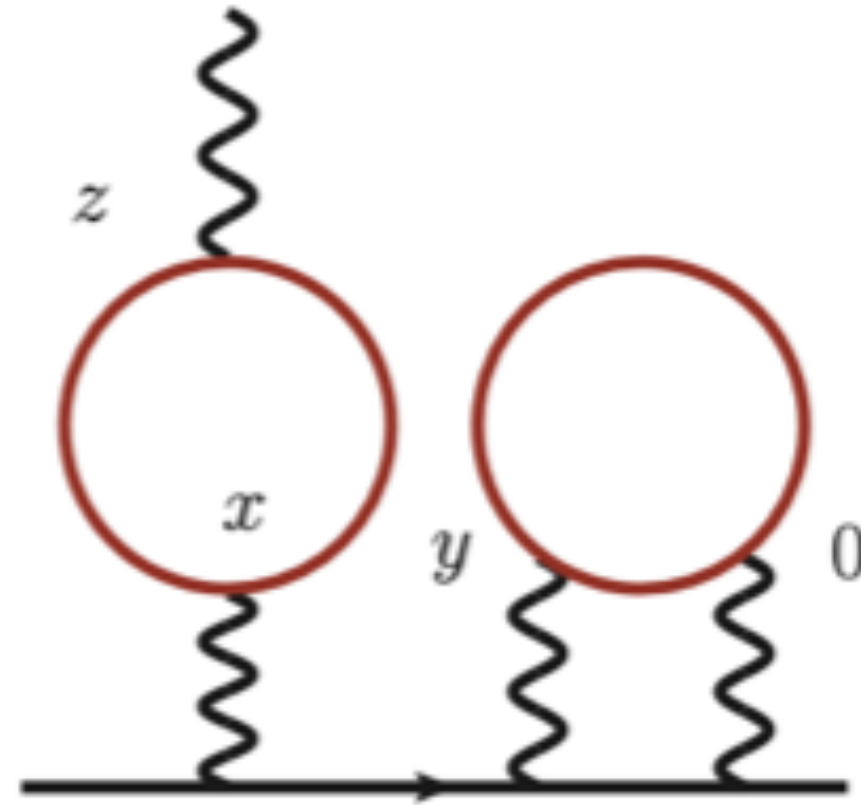
$$\int_x \left( \mathcal{L}'_{[\rho, \sigma] \mu \nu \lambda}(x, y) \int_z z_\rho \tilde{\Pi}_{\mu \nu \sigma \lambda}^{(1), j}(x, y, z) + \bar{\mathcal{L}}_{[\rho, \sigma]; \lambda \nu \mu}^{(\Lambda)}(x, x - y) x_\rho \int_z \tilde{\Pi}_{\mu \nu \sigma \lambda}^{(1), j}(x, y, z) \right)$$

$$\tilde{\Pi}_{\mu \nu \sigma \lambda}^{(1), j}(x, y, z) = -2\text{Re} \langle \text{Tr} [S^j(0, x) \gamma_\mu S^j(x, y) \gamma_\nu S^j(y, z) \gamma_\sigma S^j(z, 0) \gamma_\lambda] \rangle_U.$$

← Calculate on the lattice

- $S^j(x, y)$ : Propagators from inverting the Dirac equation on the lattice (not an easy job).
- Then, contract with the kernel.

# 2+2 disconnected contribution



- 2+2 Wick contractions written in terms of

$$\hat{\Pi}_{\mu\nu}(x, y) = \Pi_{\mu\nu}(x, y) - \langle \Pi_{\mu\nu}(x, y) \rangle_U,$$
$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}(x, y) \equiv -\text{Re Tr}\{S(y, x)\gamma_\mu S(x, y)\gamma_\nu\}.$$

- Important: One has to subtract the VEV of  $\hat{\Pi}_{\mu\nu}$  to ensure that the two “disconnected” quark loops are still connected by gluons.

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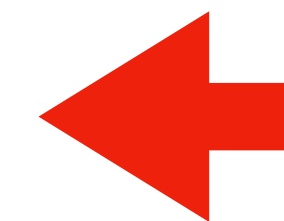
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Calculate  
on the lattice

- Many sub-contributions: light-light is the dominant one.
- Computationally (a lot) more challenging and noisy than the connected.

# 2+2 Disconnected Framework

- We define the objects  $\hat{P}$  in analogy to the objects  $\hat{\Pi}$  as following

$$\hat{P}_{\rho\sigma\nu}^i \equiv P_{\rho\sigma\nu}^i - \langle P_{\rho\sigma\nu}^i \rangle_U.$$

- Therefore, we can compute the final ensemble average as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \dots \rangle = & \left\langle \hat{P}_{\rho\sigma\nu}^2(w, w+y) \int d\zeta (\zeta + y_\rho) \hat{P}_{\rho\sigma\nu}^1(w+y, \zeta) \right. \\ & \left. + \hat{P}_{\rho\sigma\nu}^3(w+y, w) \int d\zeta \zeta \hat{P}_{\rho\sigma\nu}^1(w, \zeta) \right\rangle_U. \end{aligned}$$

- The quantity above can be averaged over all  $(w, w')$  sources, for each  $y$ , to increase statistics.
- $\langle \dots \rangle$  must be computed after finishing the inversions and contractions across the whole ensemble.