

# Update on semileptonic B-decays with HISQ light quarks and clover b-quarks in Fermilab interpretation

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## Abstract

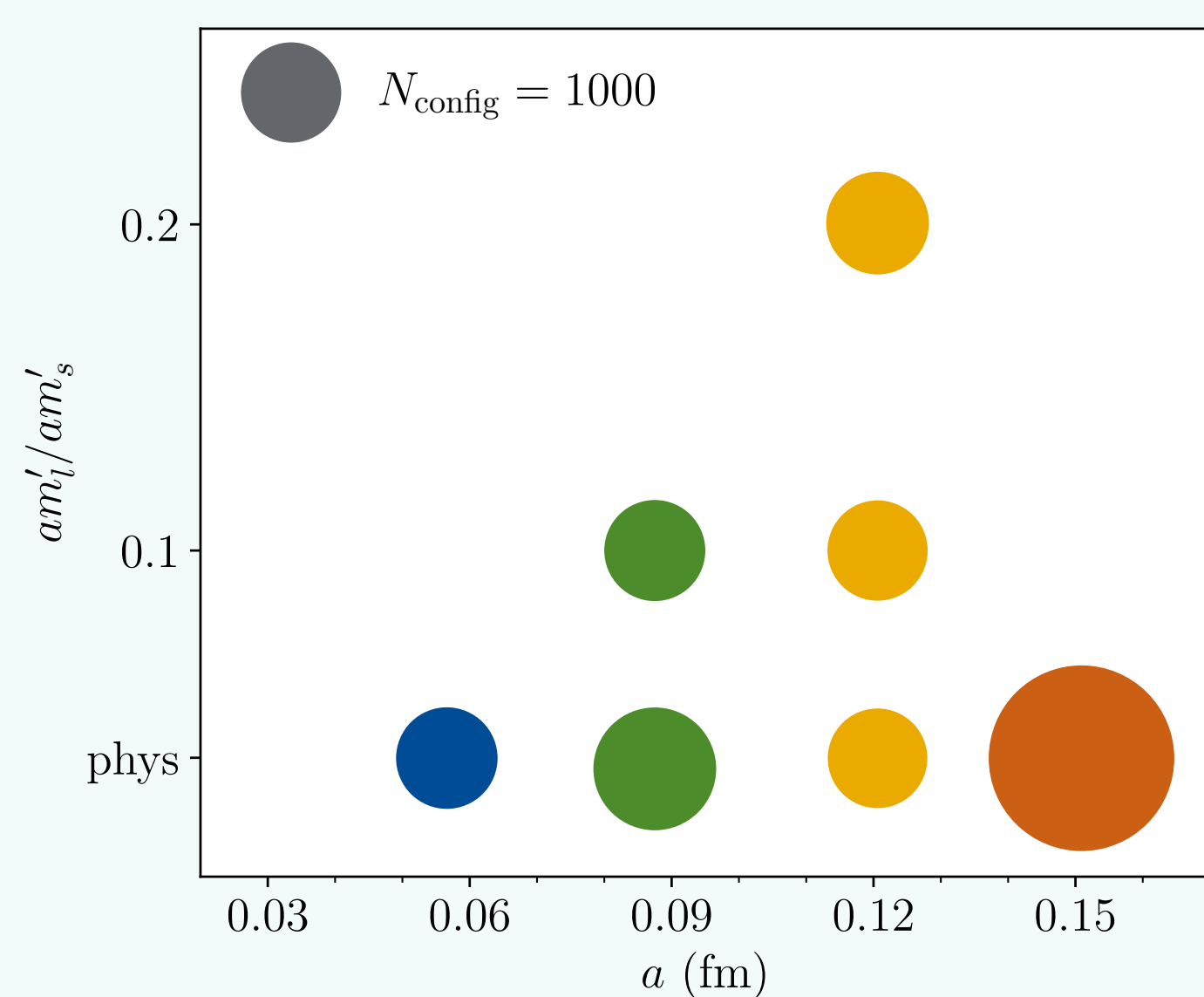
- This work is an update on ongoing project [1, 2, 3]
- We compute the vector, scalar, and tensor form factors for the  $B \rightarrow \pi$ ,  $B \rightarrow K$ , and  $B_s \rightarrow K$  amplitudes.
- We use the highly improved staggered quark (HISQ) action for the sea and light valence quarks.
- We use the clover action in the Fermilab interpretation for the bottom quark.
- We carry out simulations on  $N_f=2+1+1$  MILC HISQ ensembles.

## FNAL-HISQ campaign

Valence quarks: **HISQ light** + **clover bottom in Fermilab interpretation**

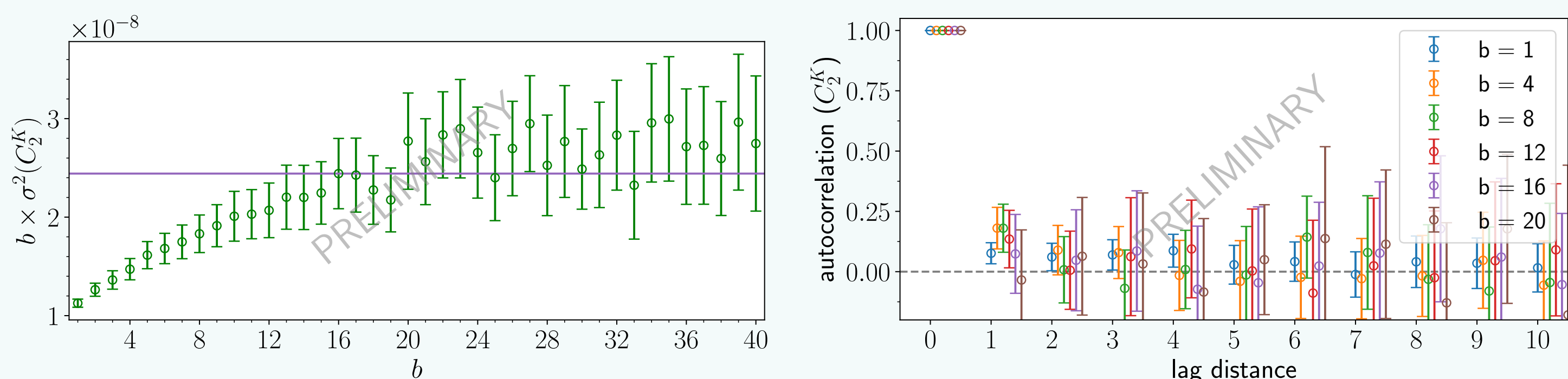
MILC HISQ gauge ensembles [4]  
:  $N_f=2+1+1$  HISQ sea

- Lattice spacings : 0.15 fm to 0.057 fm
- $M_\pi$ : 130 MeV to 310 MeV



## Binning

- We apply binning (or blocking) on our correlators to mitigate the autocorrelation.
- The bin sizes are chosen by monitoring the variance of the two-point correlation function  $C_2$  while varying bin sizes.

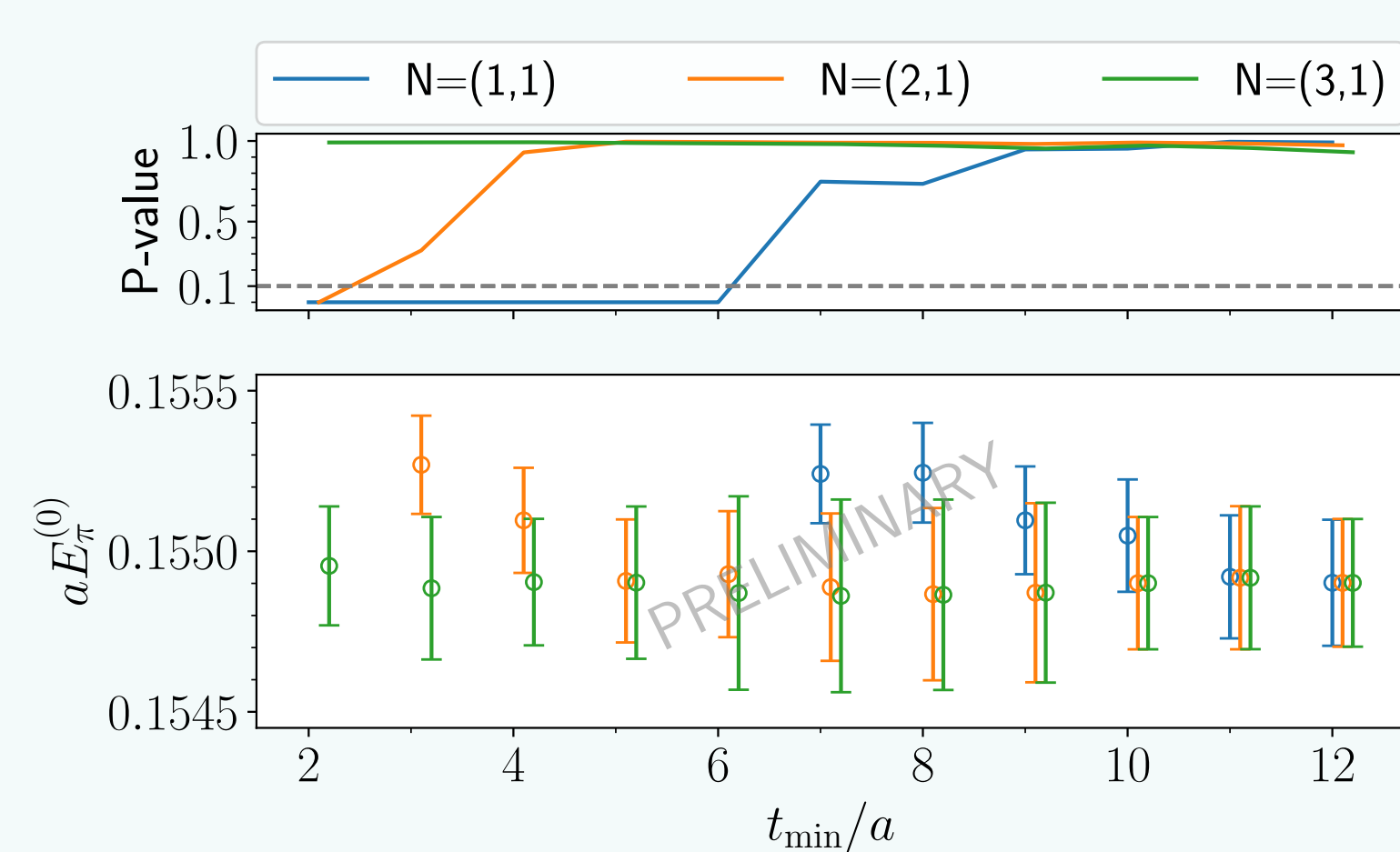


- With the reduced number of samples after binning, we use a rescaled approximation of the covariance matrix.

$$\text{cov}[\tilde{C}_i, \tilde{C}_j] \sim \text{cov}[C_i, C_j] \frac{\sigma[\tilde{C}_i] \sigma[\tilde{C}_j]}{\sigma[C_i] \sigma[C_j]} \quad (1)$$

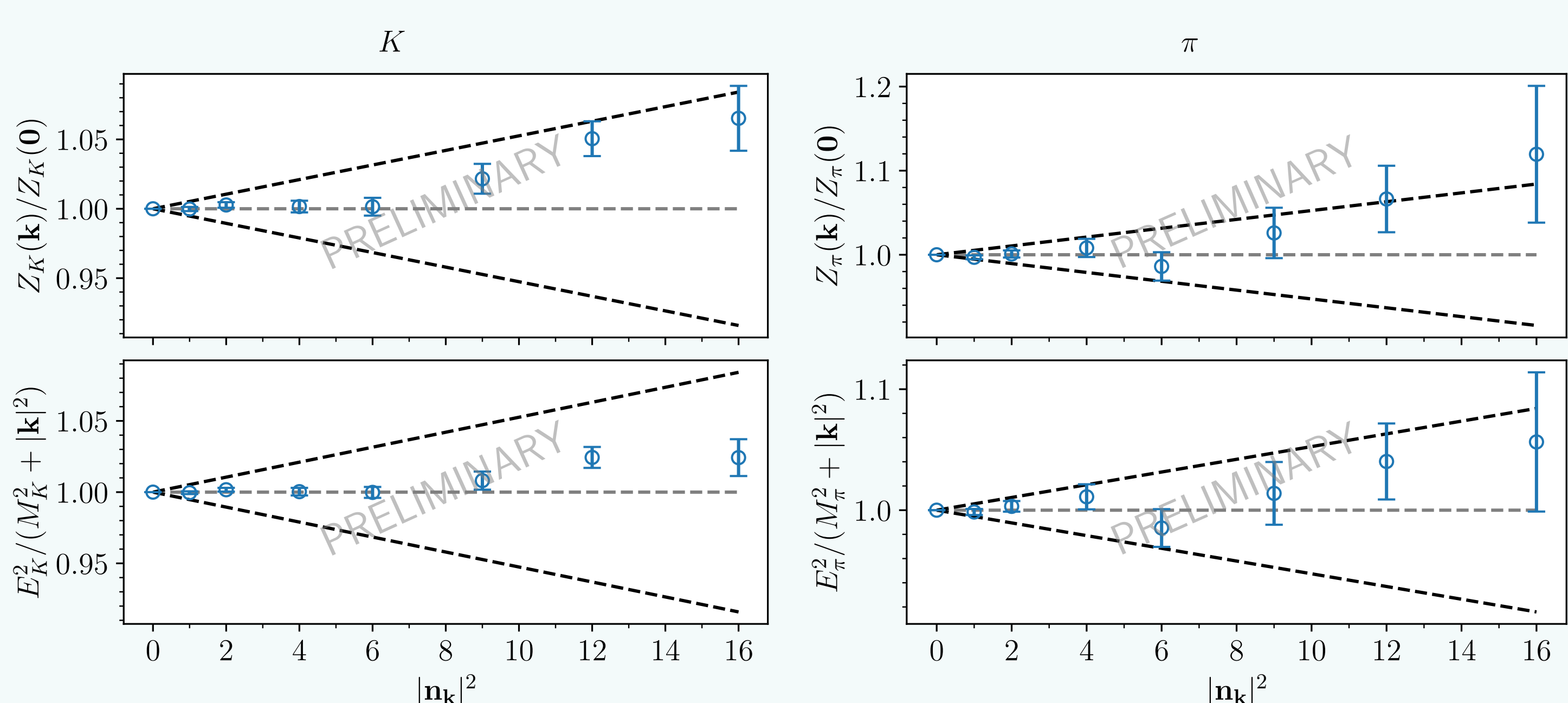
## Two-point function analysis

- We analyze the two-point correlation function data to extract primarily the ground state energies.



- Find **ground state energy consistent** for different numbers of states  $N = (N_{\text{non-osc}}, N_{\text{osc}})$  and **stable** over varying fit range.
- All data within the fit range have errors < 5%.
- P-value: computed by removing augmented term from  $\chi^2$

- We use the dispersion relation instead of directly measured values.



## Three-point function (or Ratio) analysis

- For  $B (\in B, B_s)$  mesons and  $L (\in \pi, K)$  mesons, we compute the ratio

$$\bar{R}(t, T) = \frac{\bar{C}_3^{B \rightarrow L}(t, T)}{\sqrt{\bar{C}_2^L(t) \bar{C}_2^B(T-t)}} \sqrt{\frac{2E_L^{(0)}}{e^{-E_L^{(0)}t} e^{-E_B^{(0)}(T-t)}}} \quad (2)$$

where  $\bar{C}_{2,3}$  are averaged (or smeared) to reduce the oscillating contribution [5].

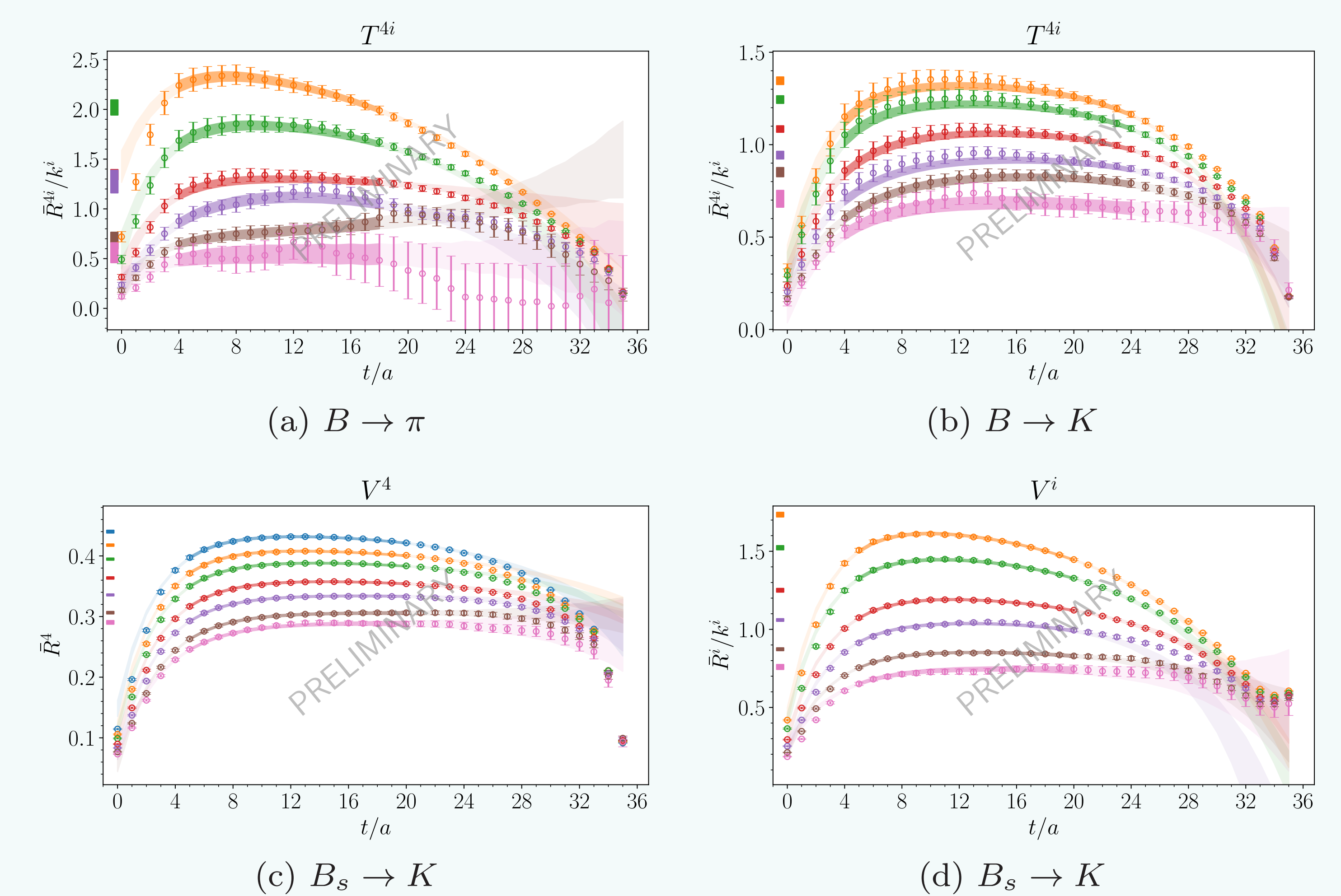
- Our choice of fit model: describes data well with the least number of terms

$$\bar{R}(t, T) \sim F^{(0)} \left[ 1 + (-1)^{t+1} F_L^{(1)} e^{-\delta E_L^{(1)} t} + F_L^{(2)} e^{-\delta E_L^{(2)} t} + (-1)^{T-t-1} F_B^{(1)} e^{-\delta M_B^{(1)}(T-t)} + F_B^{(2)} e^{-\delta M_B^{(2)}(T-t)} \right] \quad (3)$$

Here, oscillating contribution from  $L$  (gray) is included only for the  $B_s \rightarrow K$  decay.

- By fitting  $\bar{R}$  to Eq.(3), we extract  $F^{(0)}$  and corresponding form factors. The leftmost colored box in the plots represents the fit posterior for  $F^{(0)}$ .

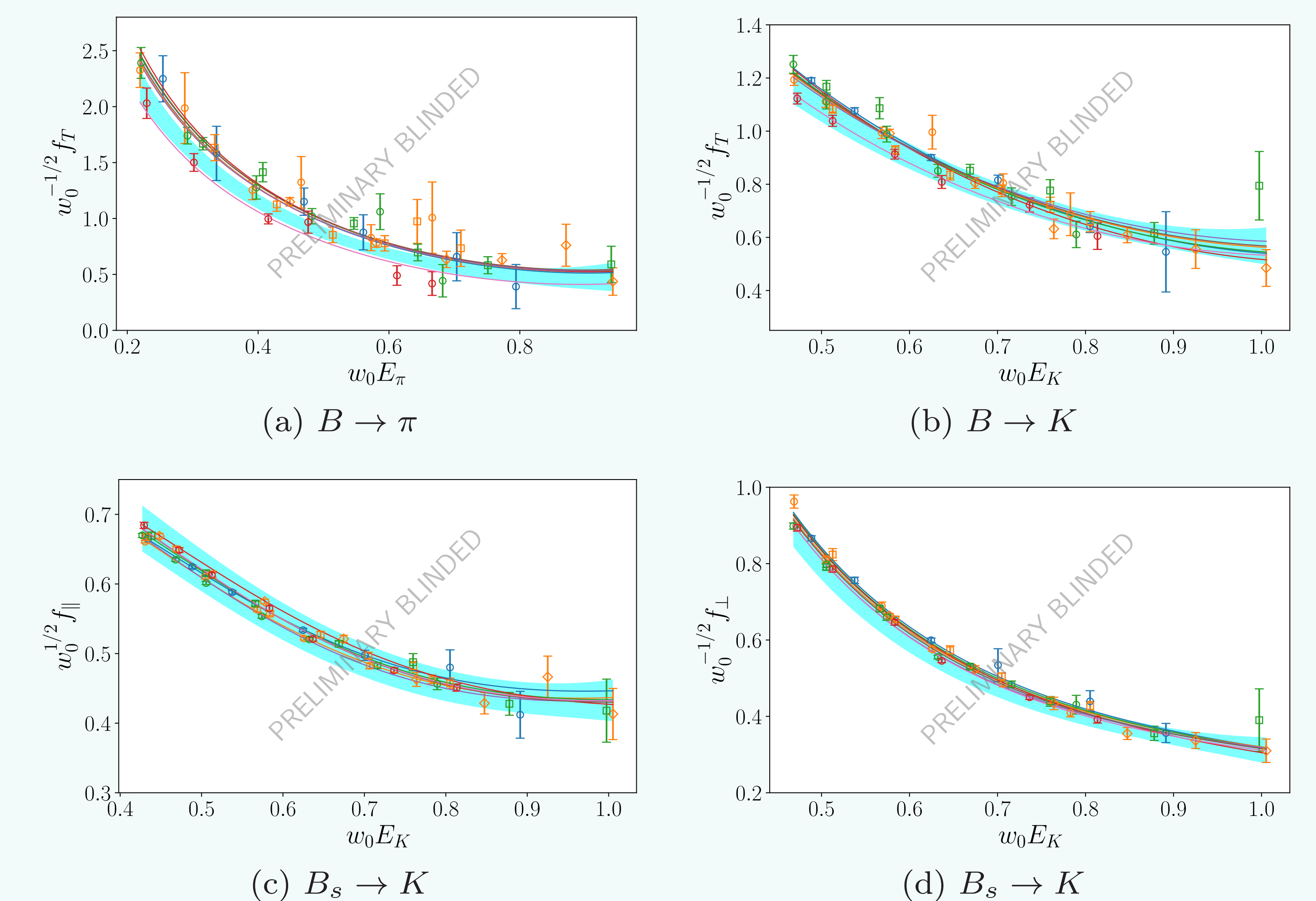
Legend for  $\mathbf{n}_k$ : (0,0,0) (1,0,0) (1,1,0) (2,0,0) (2,1,1) (3,0,0) (2,2,2)



## Form factors and chiral-continuum extrapolation

- Form factors and fitting to SU(2) HMrS $\chi$ PT up to NNLO

Legend for  $a$  and  $m_l'/m_s'$ : (0.15 fm, phys), (0.12 fm, phys), (0.12 fm, 0.1), (0.12 fm, 0.2), (0.088 fm, phys), (0.088 fm, 0.1), (0.057 fm, phys), continuum



## Conclusion & Plan

- We have computed the form factors on the lattice.
- We are testing other variations of  $\chi$ PT and working on improving the result.
- We will extrapolate to the full kinematic range by the  $z$  expansion.
- We will compute the decay rates,  $|V_{ub}|$  and  $|V_{ub}|/|V_{cb}|$ .

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