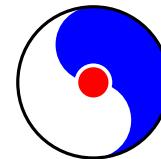


# A new class of error reduction techniques and its applications

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# Motivation



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- A new boson is now discovered
- Precise theoretical calculation becomes even more important to confirm or reject the standard model  
Fukaya, Lin, Bernard, Blossier, Golterman, Kronfeld
- More than half of CPU cycles of lattice QCD are for valence calculations ( M. Luescher's talk for HMC)
  - Nucleon's structure (e.g. C. Alexandrou's talk....)
  - on physics point QCD simulation
  - higher dimensional bulk operators (cumulants... Ejiri, Gavai, Takeda, Petreczky, Karsch, Allton, Gupta....)
  - multi hadron simulations (S. Aoki....)

It's a shame to be limited by statistical error

# Multiple timestep in HMC

- Multiple time steps in MD integrators
- Sexton & Weingarten trick
- Hasenbusch trick : introduce intermediate mass

$$\det[D(m)] = \overbrace{\det[D(m_I)]}^{\text{cheap mode}} \times \overbrace{\det[D(m)D(m_I)^{-1}]}^{\text{expensive mode}}$$

- Clark & Kennedy RHMC (quotient force term)

Berlin Wall was torn down by  
Smart Work Sharings  
Similar tricks for valence ?

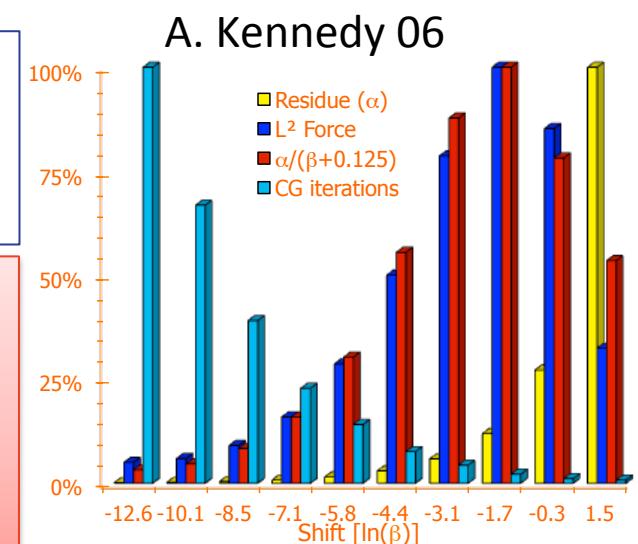
## Low Mode Averaging (LMA)

L. Giusti et al. , JHEP 0404, 013 (2004)

see also H. Neff et al Phys. Rev. D 64 (2001) 114509

T. DeGrand and S. Schaefer,

Comput. Phys. Commun. 159 (2004) 185



# State of Obvious

- Many interesting physics are limited by statistical error

$$\text{err} \approx C \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{\text{meas}}}}$$

- Do more number of measurements,  $N_{\text{meas}}$
- Change to observable with smaller fluctuation,  $C$
- Covariant Approximation Averaging (CAA)  
Combine the above using
  - **symmetries** of the lattice action
  - (crude) **approximations**

# Covariant Approximation Averaging ( CAA )

- Original observable  $\mathcal{O}$
- Covariant approximation of the observable  $\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$  under a lattice symmetry  $g \in G$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})} \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx}),g} \rangle$$

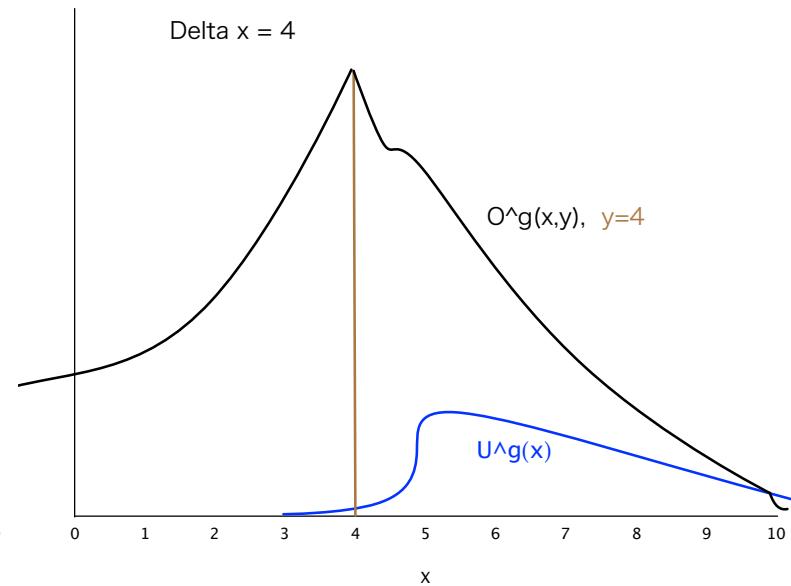
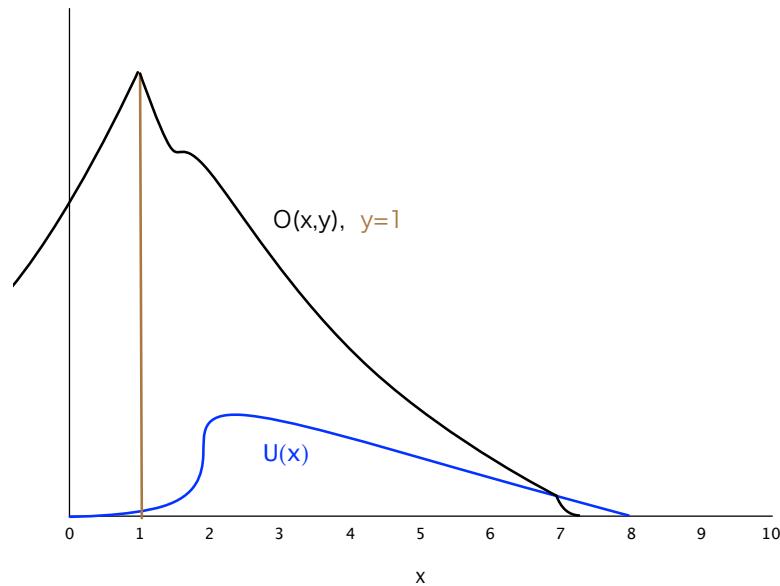
- Unbiased improved estimator

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{rest})} = \mathcal{O} - \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$$

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{imp})} = \mathcal{O}^{(\text{rest})} + \frac{1}{N_G} \sum_{g \in G} \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx}),g}$$

# Covariant approximation

- $O^{(\text{appx})}$  needs to be precisely (to the numerical accuracy required) **covariant under the symmetry** of lattice action to avoid systematic errors.



One should check in the code using explicitly shifted gauge configuration

# Unbiasness proof

- Consider a element  $\mathbf{g}$  of lattice symmetry  $\mathbf{G}$  e.g.  $x_\mu \rightarrow x + \Delta x_\mu^{(g)}$
- transformation of fields

$$U_\mu(x) \rightarrow U_\mu^g(x) = U_\mu(x - \Delta x^{(g)})$$

$$\mathcal{O}[U_\mu] \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^g[U_\mu^g](x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$= \mathcal{O}[U_\mu^g](x_1 - \Delta x^{(g)}x, x_2 - \Delta x^{(g)}x, \dots, x_n - \Delta x^{(g)}x),$$

- Observable (and its approximation) is called to have covariance under  $\mathbf{g}$  iff

$$\mathcal{O}^g[U_\mu^g](x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \mathcal{O}[U_\mu](x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

or, more explicitly,

$$\mathcal{O}[U_\mu^g](x_1 - \Delta x^{(g)}, x_2 - \Delta x^{(g)}, \dots, x_n - \Delta x^{(g)}) = \mathcal{O}[U_\mu](x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) .$$

- When  $\mathbf{g}$  is a **symmetry of lattice**, and  $\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$  is covariant  $\langle \mathcal{O}^g \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{rest})} = \mathcal{O} - \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$$

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{imp})} = \mathcal{O}^{(\text{rest})} + \frac{1}{N_G} \sum_{g \in G} \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx}), g}$$

$$\langle \mathcal{O}^{\text{imp}} \rangle = \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$$

# Why expect improvements ?

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{rest})} = \mathcal{O} - \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$$

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{imp})} = \mathcal{O}^{(\text{rest})} + \frac{1}{N_G} \sum_{g \in G} \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx}), g}$$

- $\mathcal{O}^{(\text{imp})}$  has smaller error, smaller  $C$   
 $\leq$  accuracy of approximation controls error,  
need not to be too accurate (0.1% is good enough)

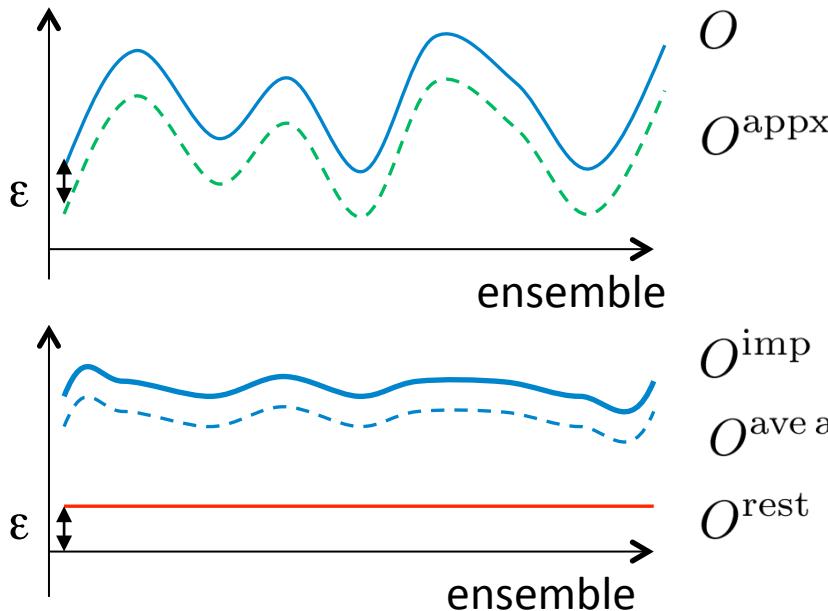
- $N_G$  suppresses the bulk part of noise cheaply

$$\text{err} \approx C \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{N_{\text{meas}}}}$$

Valence version of Hasenbushing in HMC

# CMA : a smart work sharing

## ■ Ideal approximation



$O^{\text{appx}}$  is strongly correlated with original one.

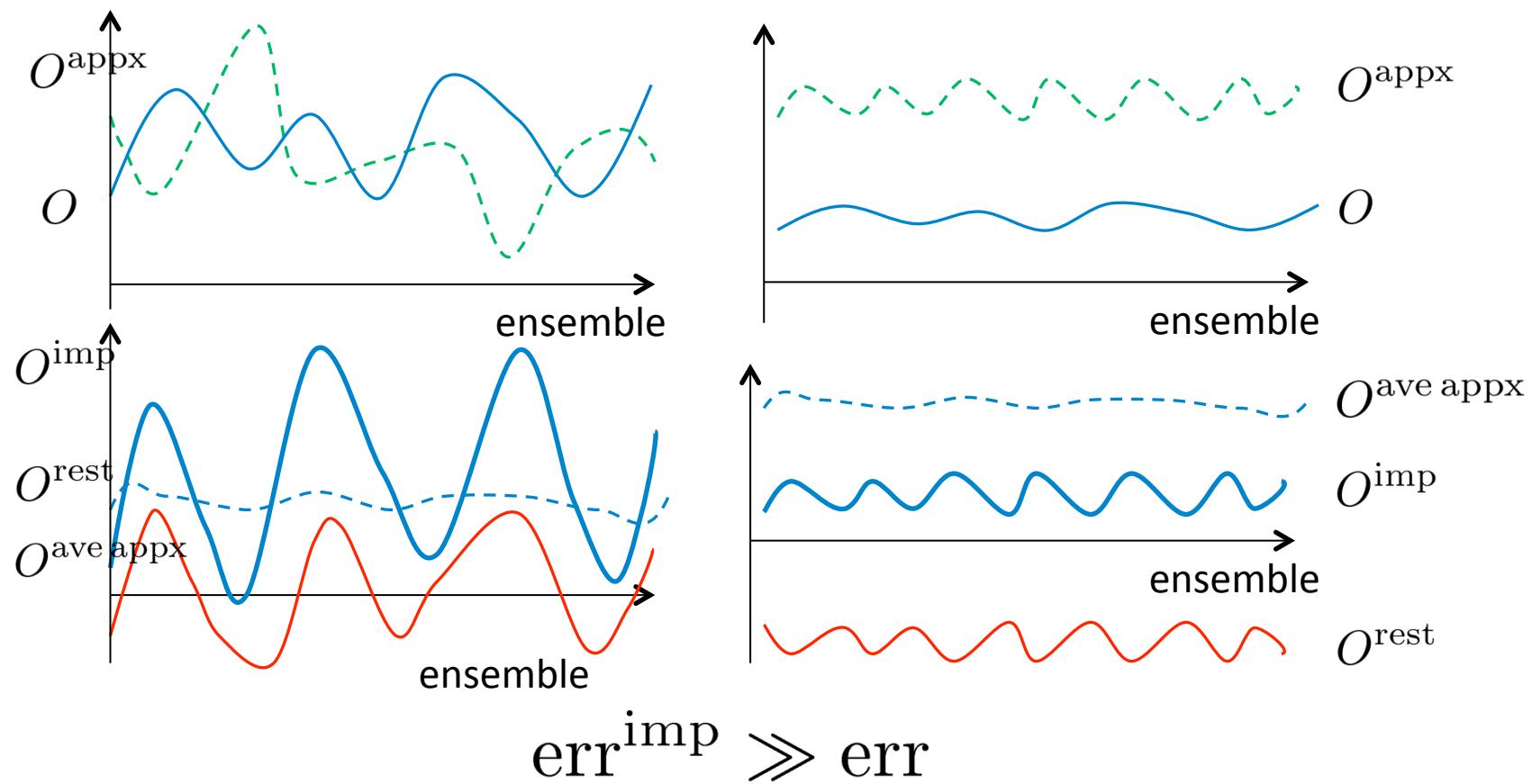
R(corr) b/w  $O$  and  $O^{(\text{appx})}$  needs to be larger than 0.5 [C. Lehner]

$$\text{err}^{\text{imp}} \simeq \text{err} / \sqrt{N_g}$$

- $\epsilon$ , accuracy of approximation should be smaller than  $O^{\text{ave appx}}$
- $\Delta O^{\text{rest}}$  which is statistical error of  $O^{\text{rest}}$  depends on the strength of correlation.
- The computational cost of  $O^{\text{appx}}$  should be much smaller than original.

# CAA : failure scenarios

- Approximation is bad for your observables



# Summary of CAA

- Three conditions for  $\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$ :

- $\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$  should fluctuate closely with  $\mathcal{O}$

$$\langle (\Delta \mathcal{O})^2 \rangle \approx \langle (\Delta \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})})^2 \rangle, \quad \Delta X = X - \langle X \rangle$$

$$r \equiv \text{Corr}(\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}) = \frac{\langle \Delta \mathcal{O} \Delta \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})} \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle (\Delta \mathcal{O})^2 \rangle \langle (\Delta \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})})^2 \rangle}} \approx 1$$

- Cost is cheaper (hopefully by a lot)

$$\text{cost}(\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}) < \text{cost}(\mathcal{O})$$

- $\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$  is covariant under set of lattice symmetry  $g$  in  $G$ .  
(should explicitly check this numerically)

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}[U^g] = \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx}),g}[U], \quad g \in G$$

$$\text{err}_{(\text{imp})} \approx \text{err} \sqrt{2(1 - r) + \frac{1}{N_G}}$$

- Many different Covariant Approximations

trade off between cost vs accuracy of approximations

- Best way of approximation & optimal accuracy of approximation depends on observables and lattice parameters (lattice spacing, quark mass, volume)

# Examples of covariant approximations

- Low mode approximation used in the Low Mode Averaging ( LMA )

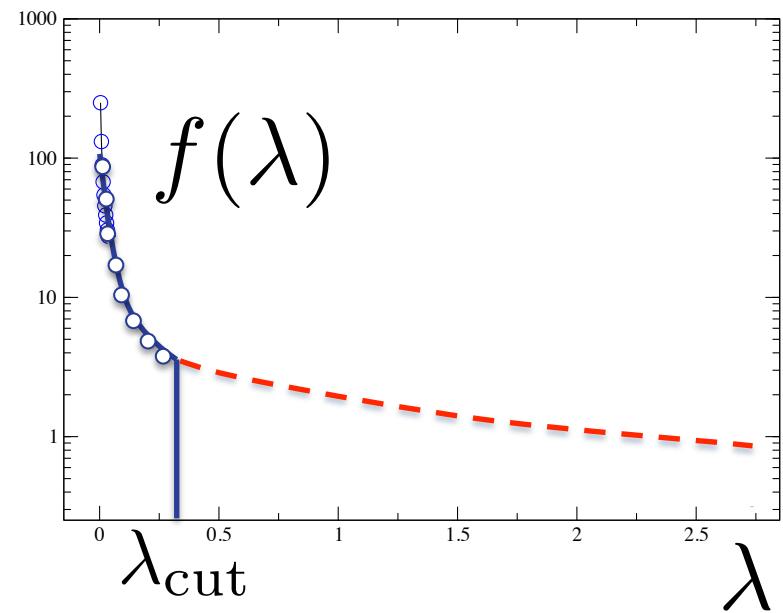
L. Giusti et al (2004), see also T. DeGrand et al. (2004)

accuracy control : # of eigen mode

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})} = \mathcal{O}[S_l],$$

$$S_l = \sum_{\lambda} v_{\lambda} f(\lambda) v_{\lambda}^{\dagger},$$

$$f(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \theta(\lambda_{\text{cut}} - |\lambda|)$$



# Deflation using low eigenmodes from Lanczos [ Neff et al, JLQCD ]

- 4D even/odd preconditioning

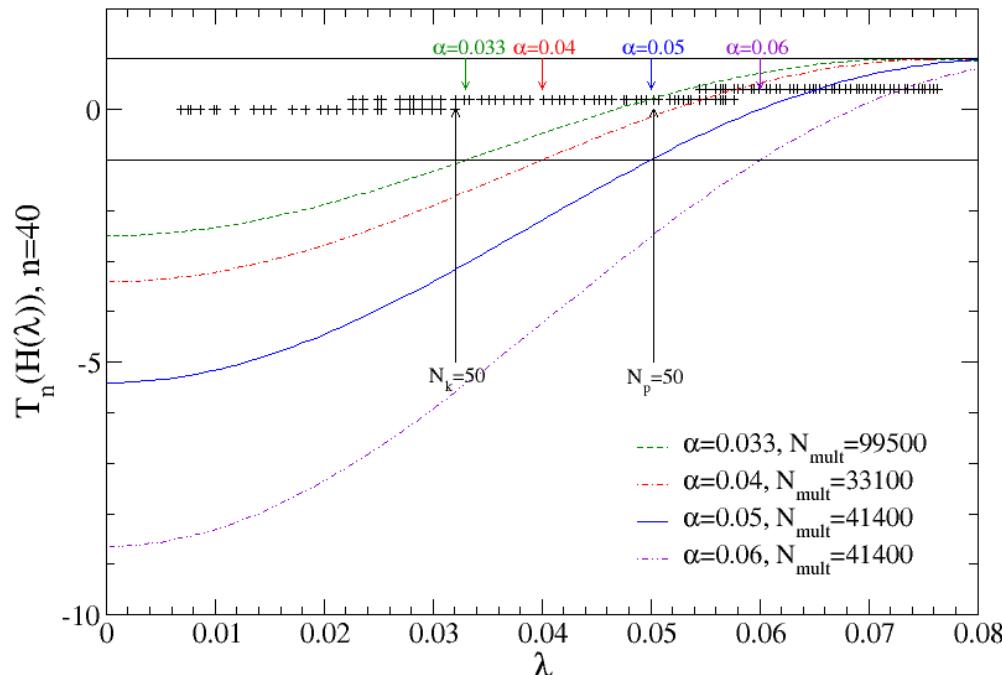
[ R. Arthur ]

$$D_{DW} = \begin{pmatrix} M_5 & K(M_4)_{eo} \\ K(M_4)_{oe} & M_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D_{DW}^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -KM_5^{-1}(M_4)_{oe} & M_5^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D_{ee}^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -K(M_4)_{eo}M_5^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ D_{ee} &= M_5 - K^2(M_4)_{eo}M_5^{-1}(M_4)_{oe} \end{aligned}$$

- Polynomial accelerated  
 $P_n(H_{DWF})$
- With shift  
 $H \rightarrow H - c$
- eigen Compression / decompression

$$\begin{aligned} \psi &= v_1 + v_2 \\ H(\psi) &= \lambda_1 v_1 + \lambda_2 v_2 \end{aligned}$$



# Low-mode decomposition

- 4D even-odd decomposition

$$\begin{aligned}
 D_{DW} &= \begin{pmatrix} M_{5ee} & KM_{4eo} \\ KM_{4oe} & M_{5oo} \end{pmatrix} & M_5 : \text{with 5D differential, 4D diagonal} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & KM_{4eo}M_{5oo}^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D_{ee} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ KM_{4oe} & M_{5oo} \end{pmatrix} & M_4 : \text{with 4D differential, 5D diagonal}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$D_{ee} = M_5 - K^2 M_{4eo} M_{5oo}^{-1} M_{4oe}$$

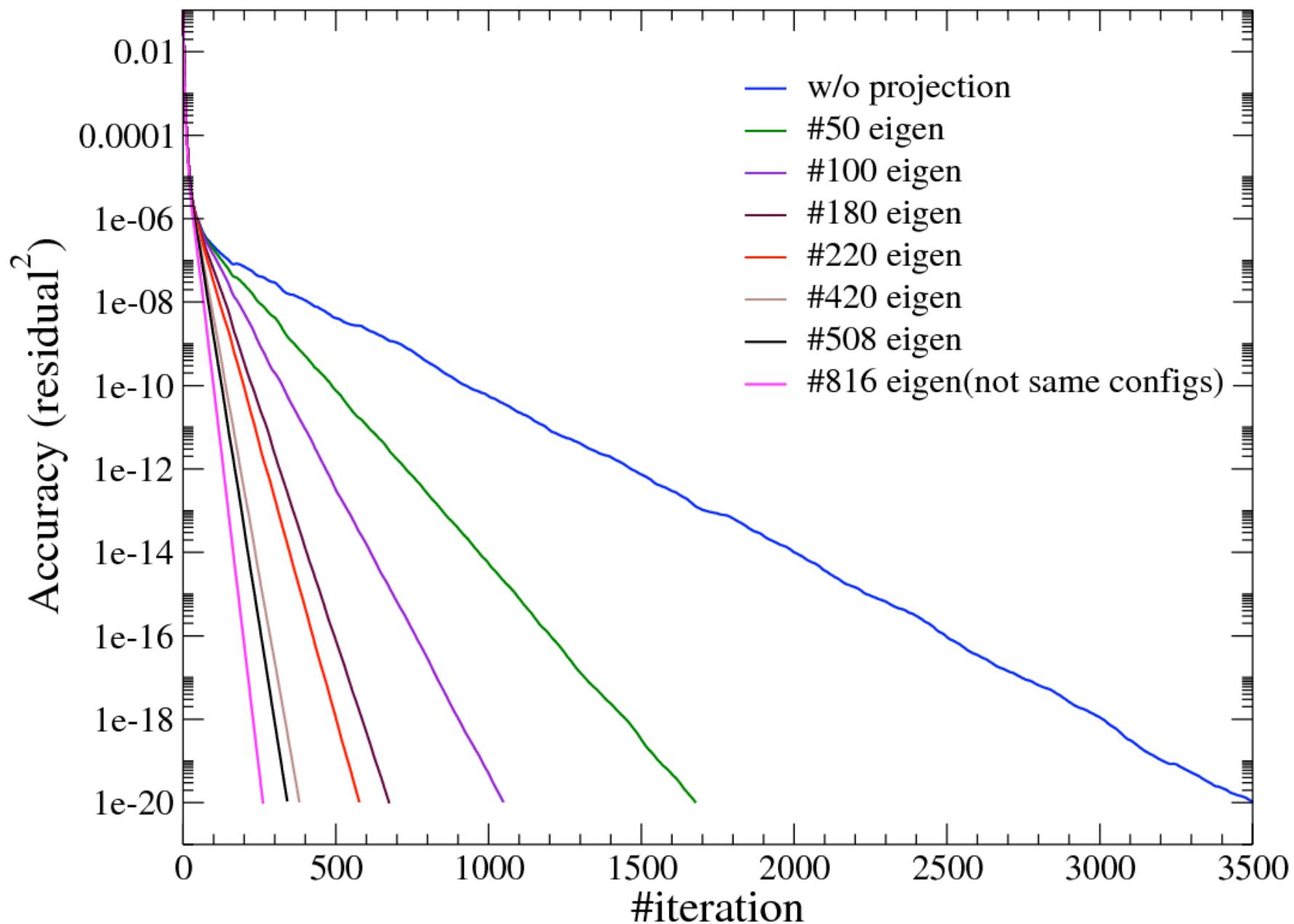
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- Low mode decomposition

$$D_{ee}^{-1} = D_{\text{low } ee}^{-1} + D_{\text{high } ee}^{-1}$$

$$D_{\text{low } ee}^{-1} = H_{\text{low } ee}^{-2} D_{ee}^\dagger = \sum_k \frac{1}{\lambda_k^2} \psi_k (D_{ee} \psi_k)^\dagger, \quad H_{ee} \psi_k = \lambda_k \psi_k, \quad H_{ee} = \Gamma_5 D_{ee}$$

$$D_{\text{low } DW}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -KM_{5oo}^{-1} M_{4oe} & M_{5oo}^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D_{\text{low } ee}^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -KM_{4eo} M_{5oo}^{-1} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



# Examples of Covariant Approximations (contd.)

## ■ All Mode Averaging

AMA

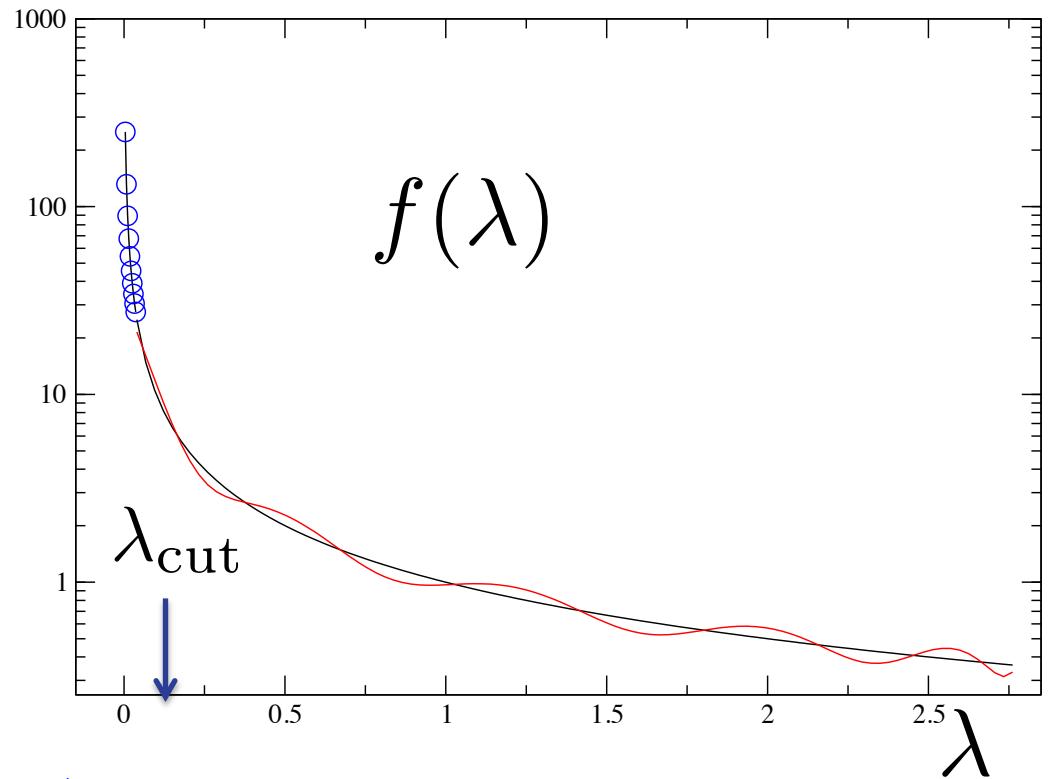
Sloppy CG or  
Polynomial  
approximations

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})} = \mathcal{O}[S_l],$$

$$S_l = \sum_{\lambda} v_{\lambda} f(\lambda) v_{\lambda}^{\dagger},$$

$$f(\lambda) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\lambda}, & |\lambda| < \lambda_{\text{cut}} \\ P_n(\lambda) & |\lambda| > \lambda_{\text{cut}} \end{cases}$$

$$P_n(\lambda) \approx \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

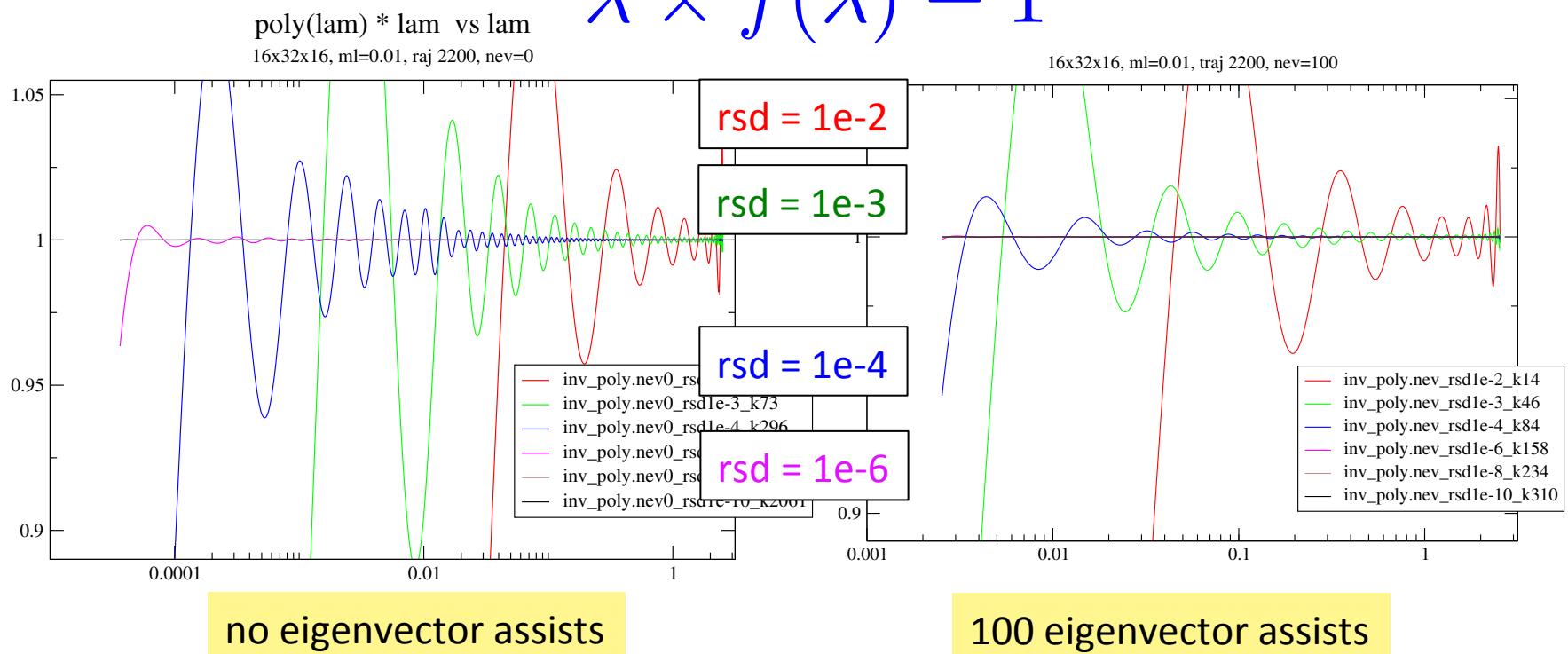


accuracy control :

- low mode part : # of eig-mode
- mid-high mode : degree of poly.

# All mode approximation via sloppy CG

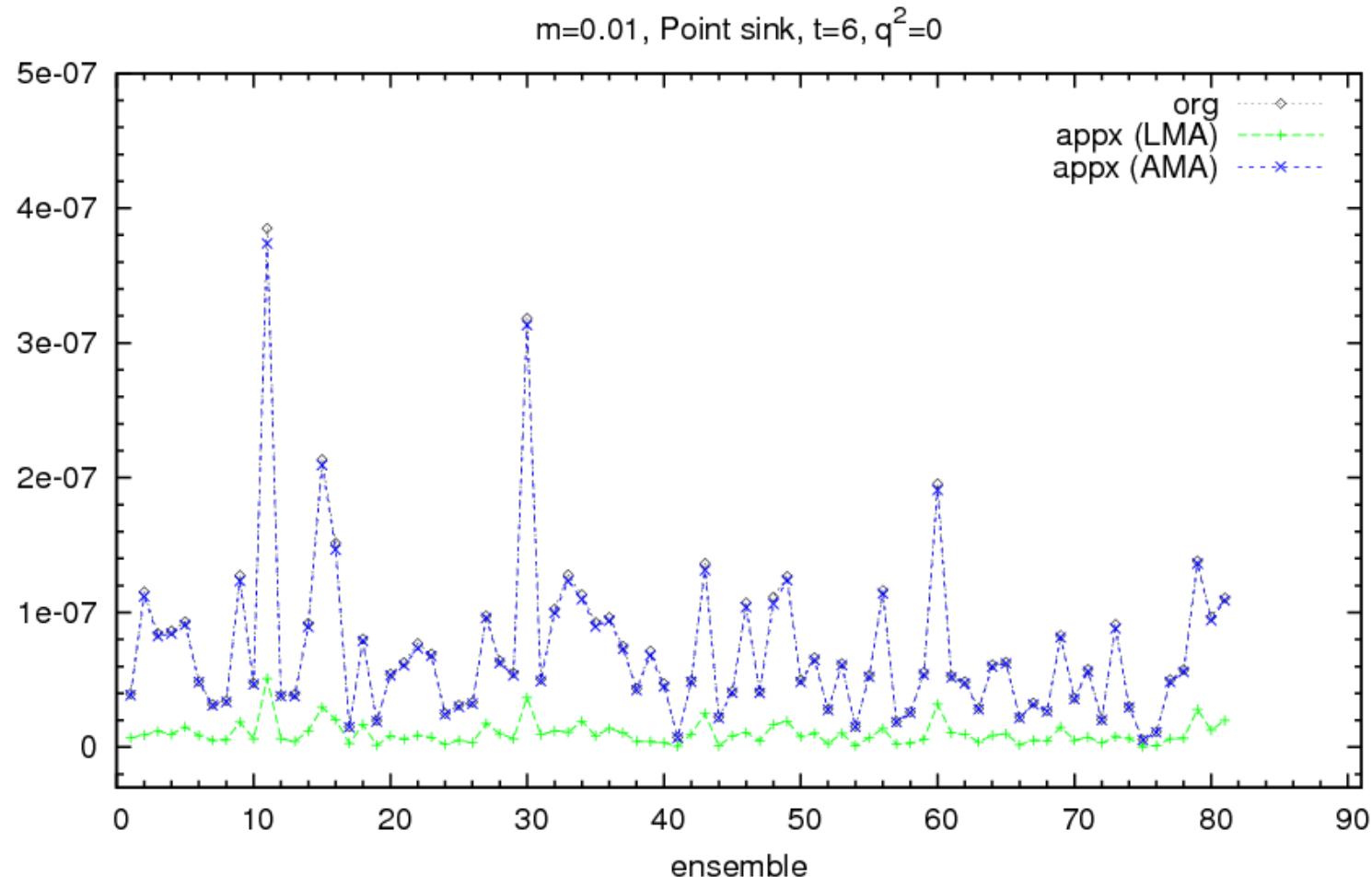
$$\lambda \times f(\lambda) - 1$$



- Conjugate residual with sloppy convergence criteria, which is equivalent to construct a polynomial approximating  $1/\lambda$
- The starting vector needs to be translation invariant to be a covariant approx.
- low eigenvectors reduces the size of the dynamic range of  $1/\lambda$   
→ Better approximation with smaller polynomial degrees
- low  $\lambda$  region has larger relative errors
- One could employ other construction of polynomial approximation for  $1/\lambda$ , such as min-max, conjugate residual

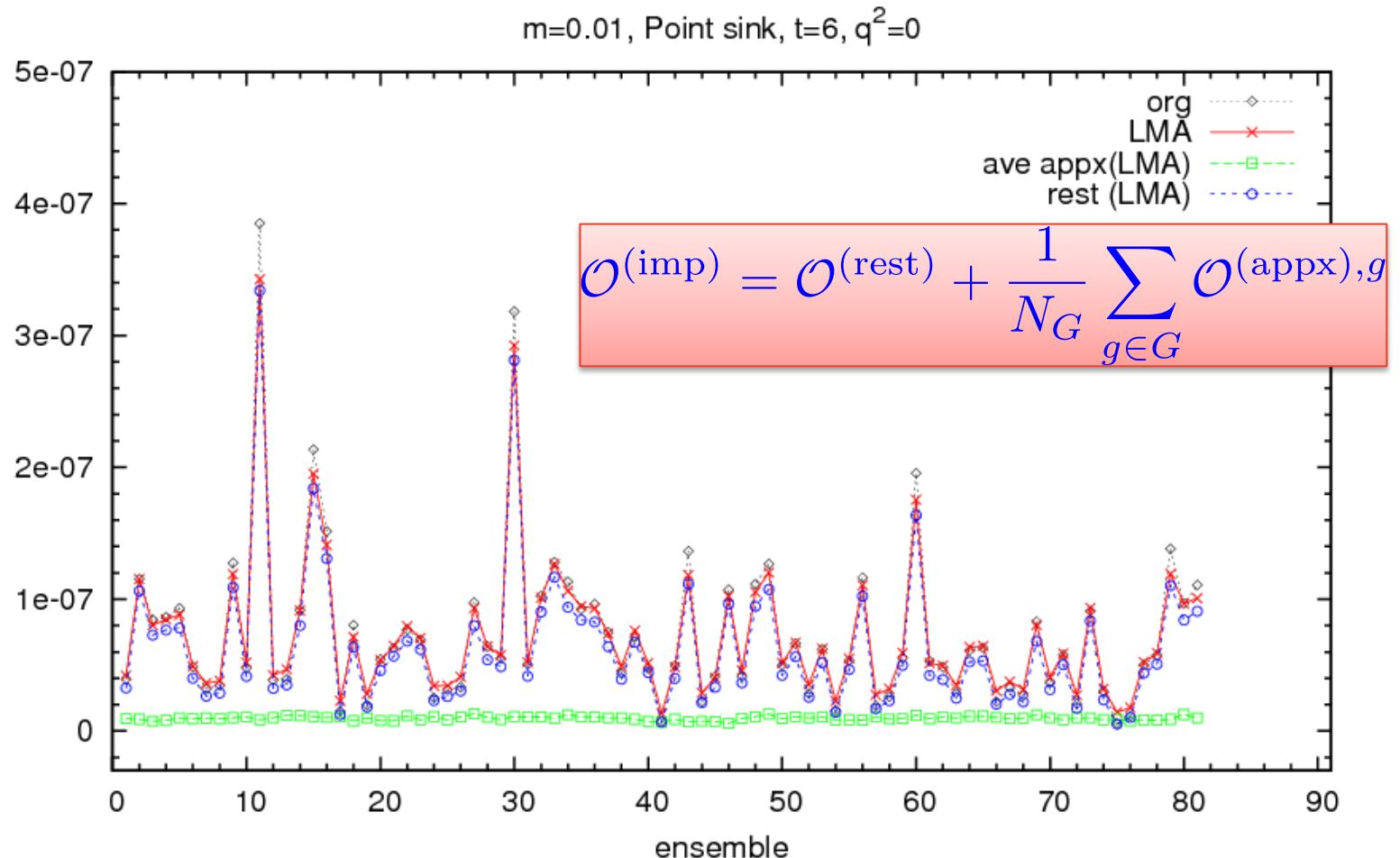
# Correlation

- NN propagator at short time-slice



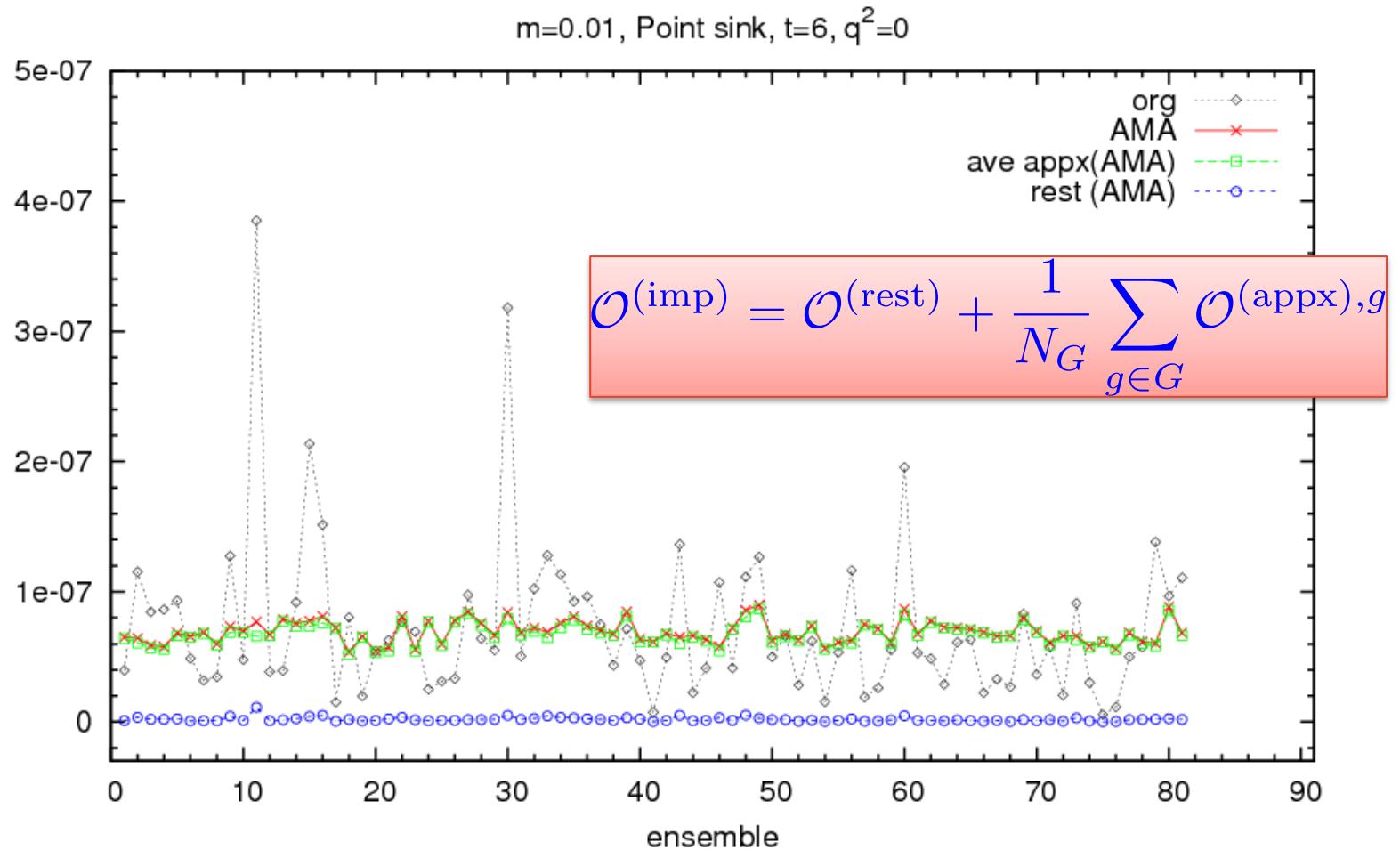
# Correlation

## ■ NN propagator (LMA) at short time-slice



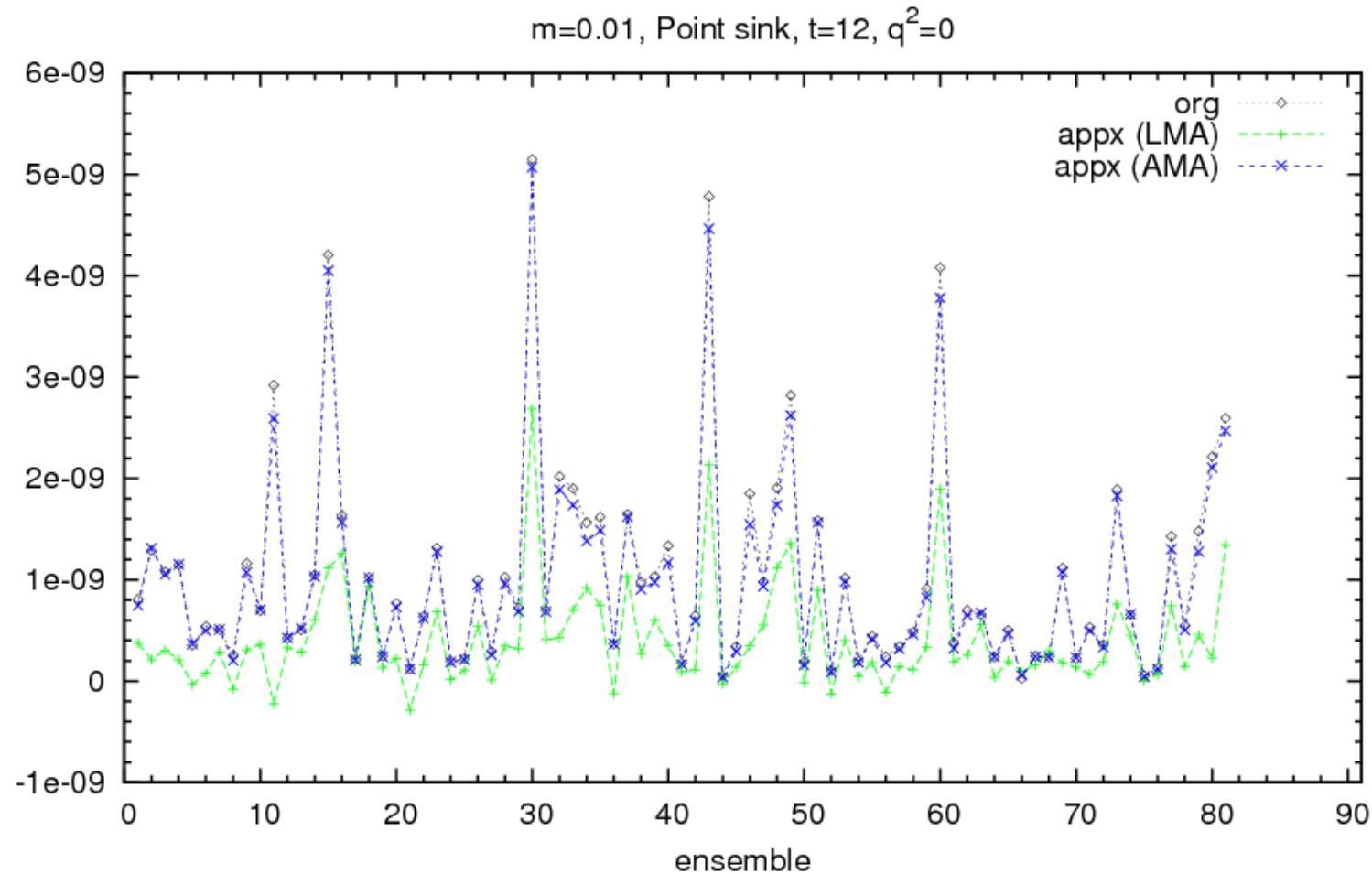
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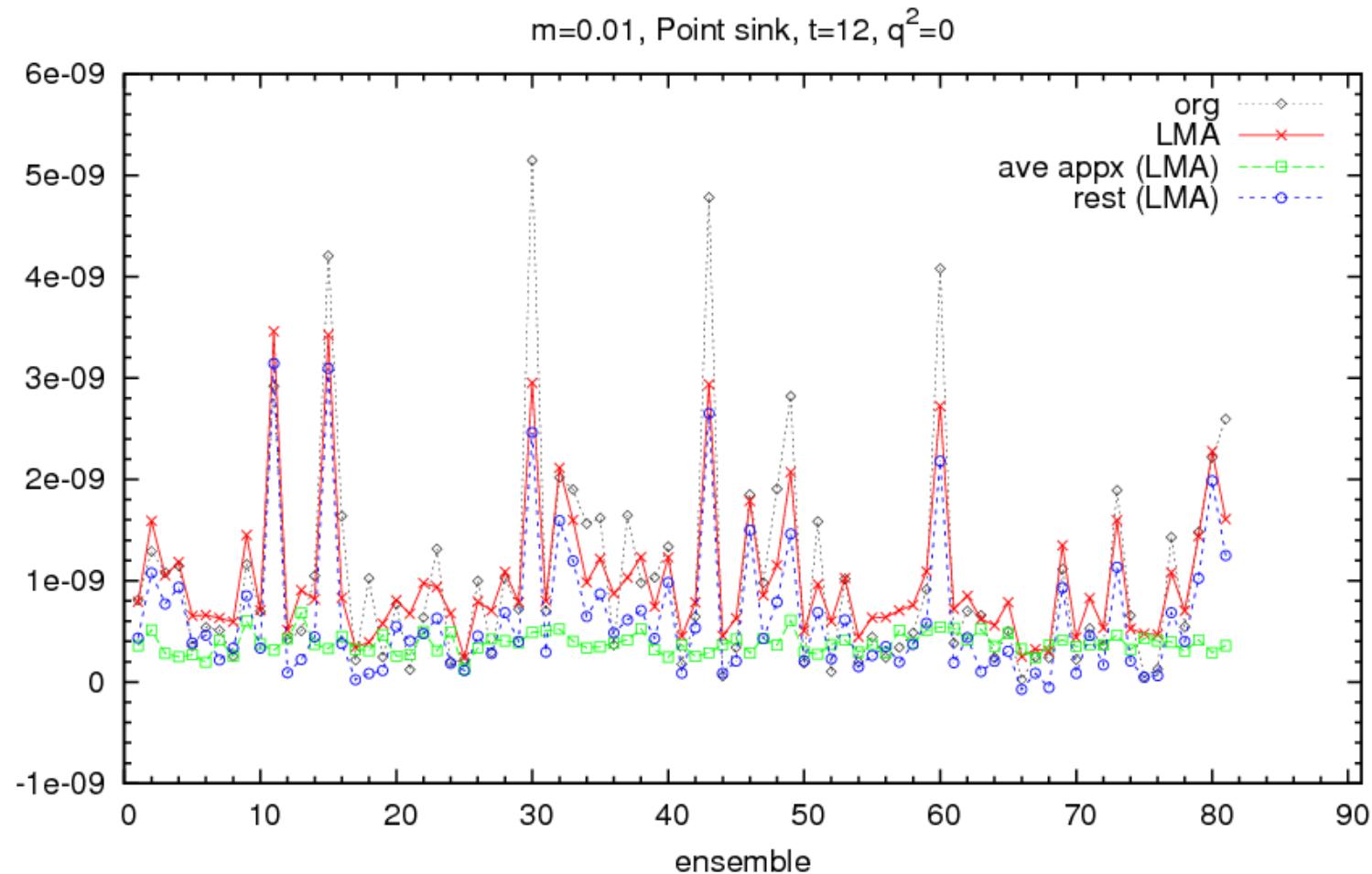
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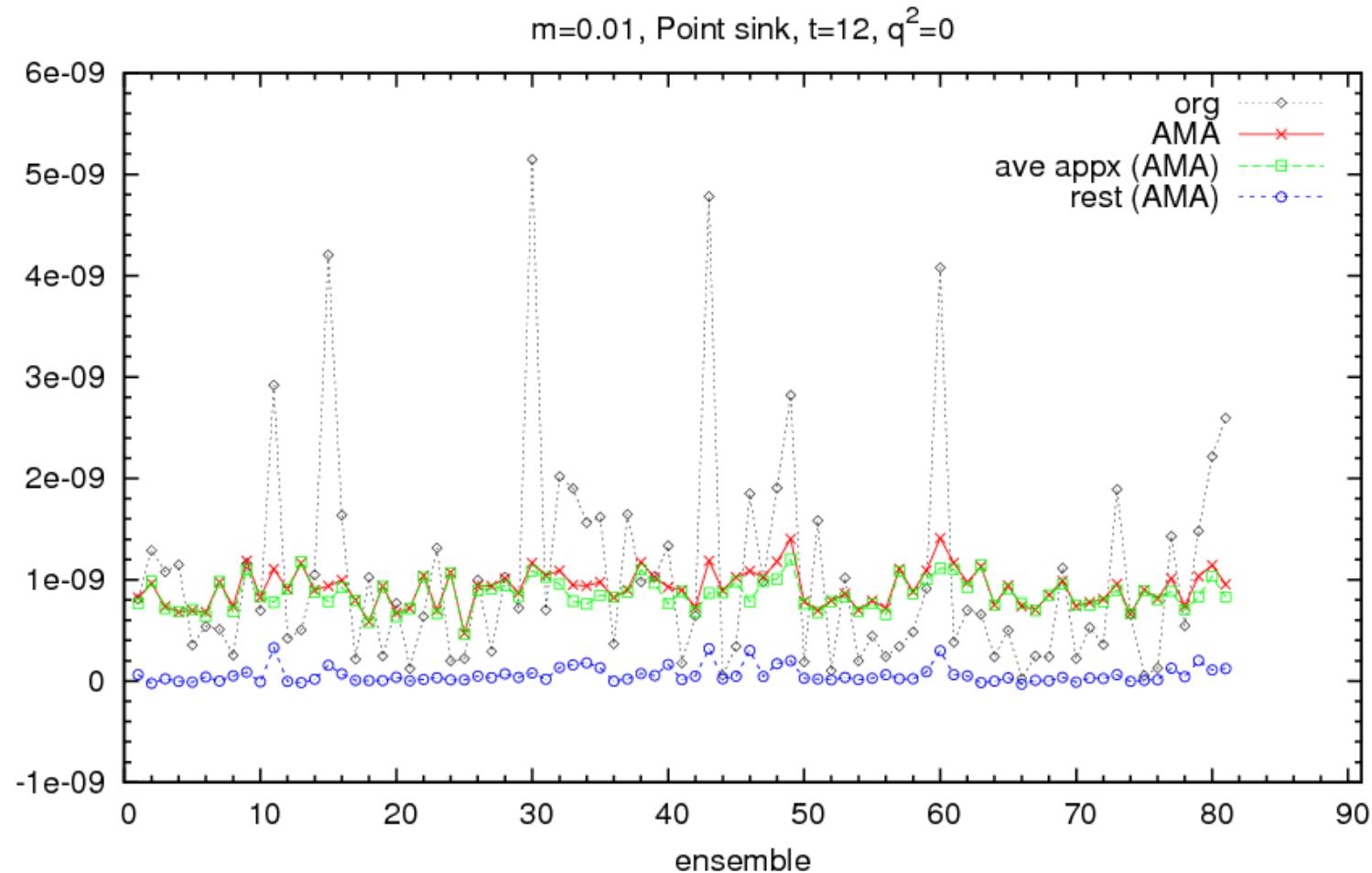
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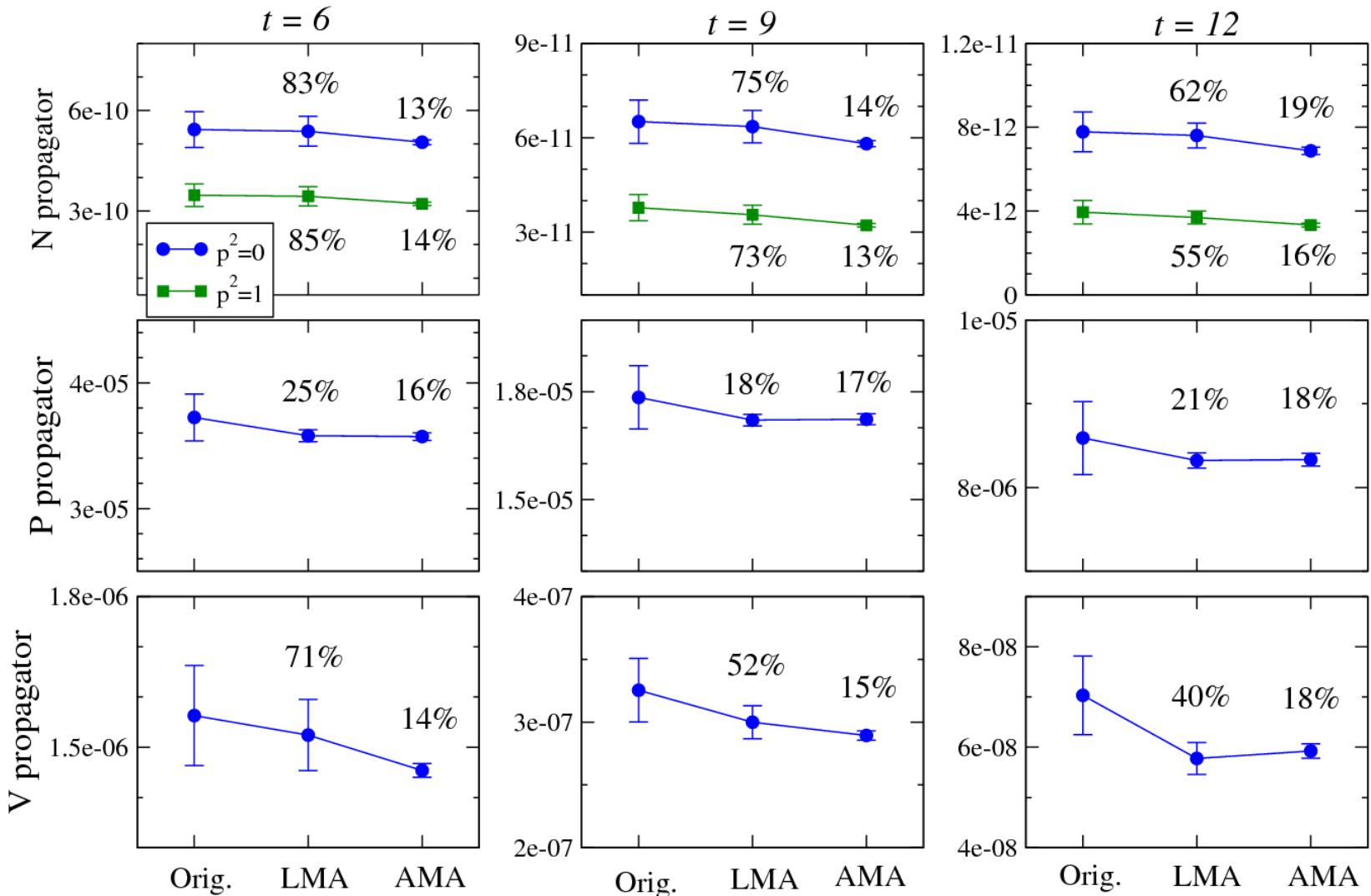
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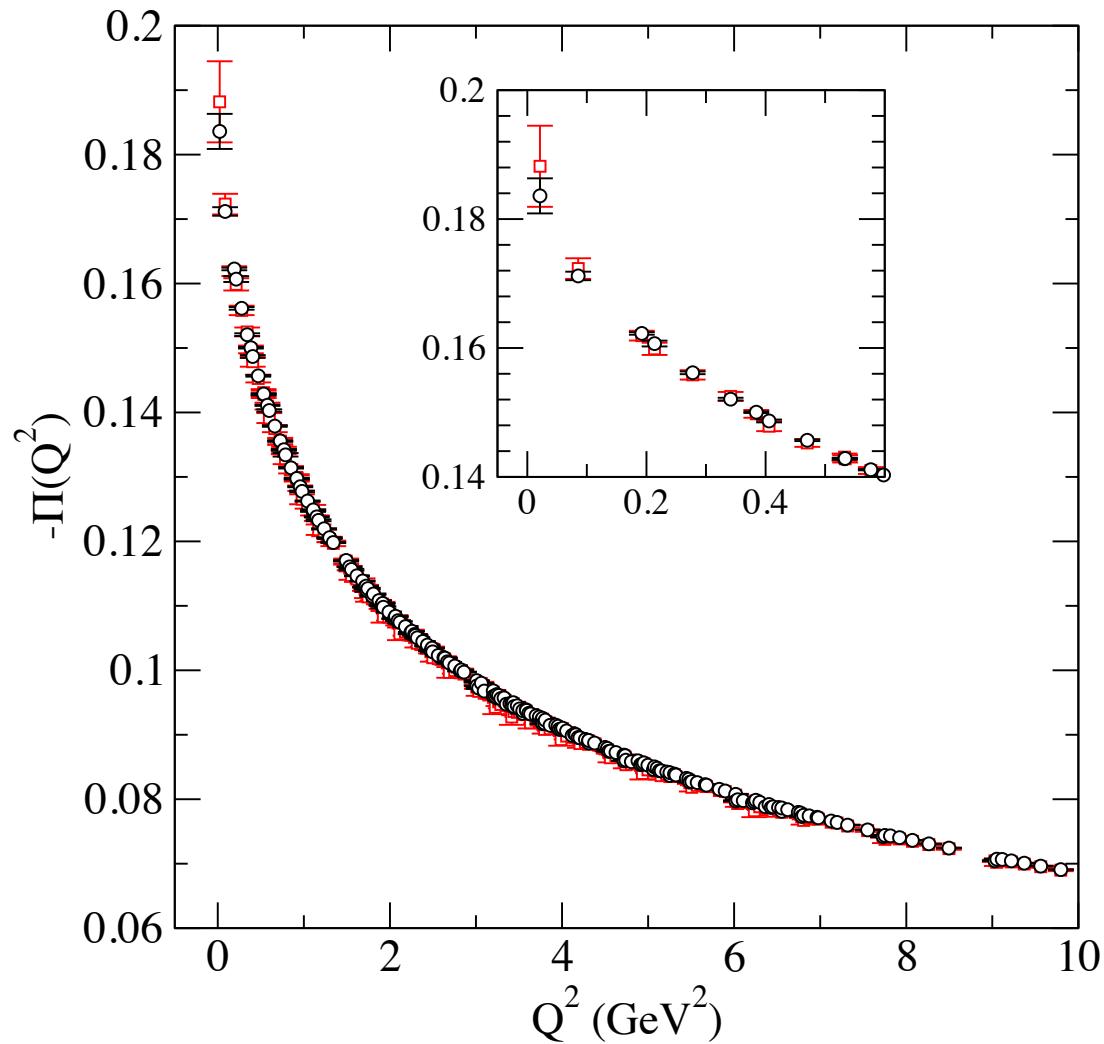
# AMA results for hadron 2pt functions

## [ E. Shintani ] (NG=32)



Nucleon 2pt, m=0.005 DWF, 24cube, Gauss src, Gauss / point sink

# HVP (c.f. M. Golterman's talk)



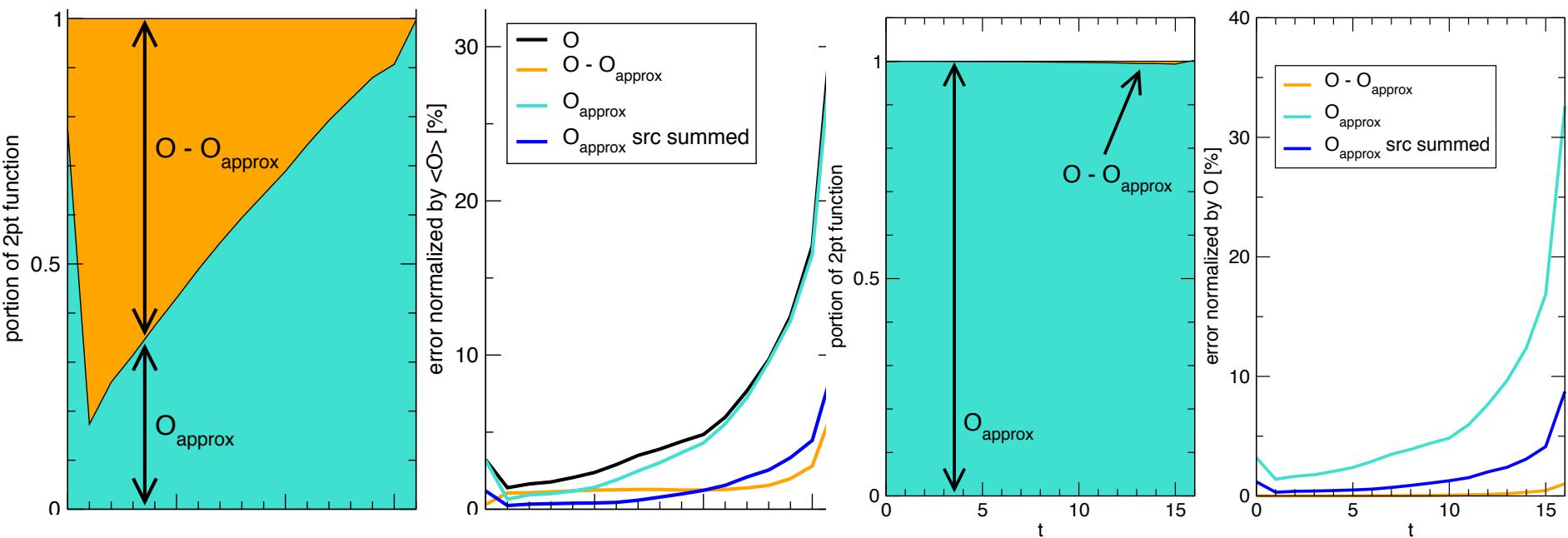
# Cost (in the case of 24cube m=0.01)

	$N_{\text{conf}}$	$N_{\text{meas}}$	LM	$\mathcal{O}$	$\mathcal{O}_G^{(\text{appx})}$	Tot.	scaled	cost
$m_N$ $m = 0.005, 400 \text{ LM}$ gauss pt								
AMA	110	1	213	18	91+23	350	0.063	0.065
LMA	110	1	213	18	23	254	0.279	0.265
Ref. [2]	932	4	-	3728	-	3728 <sup>a</sup>	1	1
$m = 0.01, 180 \text{ LM}$								
AMA	158	1	297	74	300+22	693	0.203	0.214
LMA	158	1	297	74	22	393	0.699	0.937
Ref. [2]	356	4	-	1424	-	1424	1	1
HVP	$m = 0.0036, 1400 \text{ LM}$						max	min
AMA	20	1	96	11	504+420	1031	0.387	0.050
LMA	20	1	96	11	420	527	10.3	3.56
Ref. [27]	292	2	-	584	-	584	1	1

# AMA in USQCD Static-light

## [ PI Tomomi Ishikawa ]

16<sup>3</sup>×64×16, 20 conf, 100 eigenvectors



LMA

AMA

# 3pt function [ E. Shintani ]

- Application to the form factor measurement
  - CP-even and CP-odd nucleon EM form factor

$$\langle n(P_1) | J_\mu^{\text{EM}} | n(P_2) \rangle_\theta = \bar{u}_N^\theta \left[ \underbrace{\frac{F_3^\theta(Q^2)}{2m_N} \gamma_5 \sigma_{\mu\nu} Q_\nu}_{\text{P,T-odd}} + \underbrace{F_1 \gamma_\mu + \frac{F_2}{2m_N} \sigma_{\mu\nu} Q_\nu}_{\text{P,T-even}} + \dots \right] u_N^\theta$$

- Complicated structure in the ratio method

Cf. Yamazaki et al., PRD79, 114505 (2009)

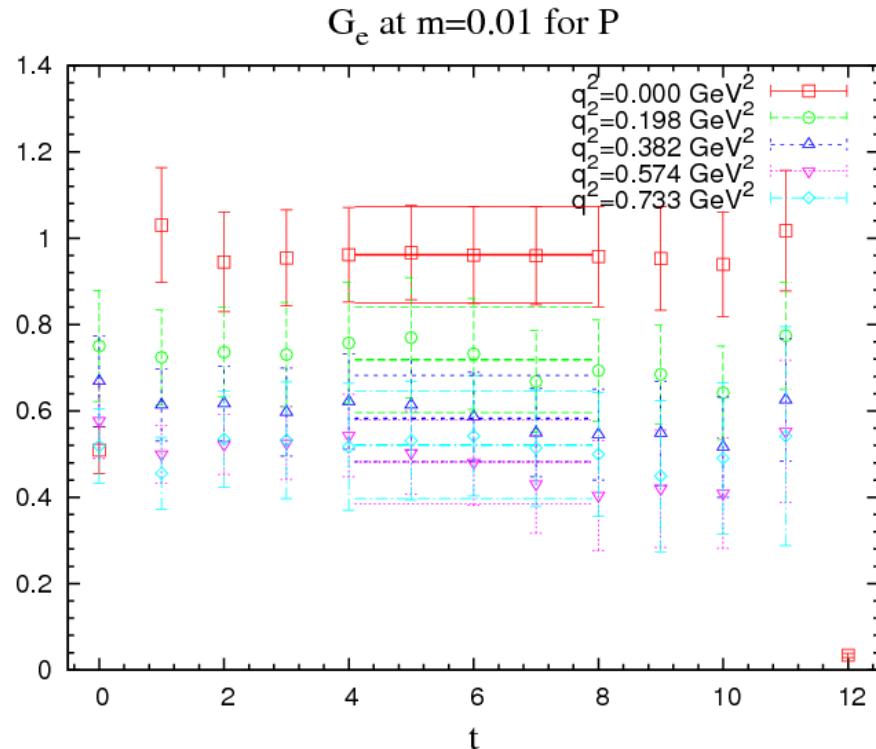
$$R_{J_\mu}(t, \vec{q}) = \sqrt{\frac{m_N}{2(E_N + m_N)}} \frac{\langle \eta_N^g J_\mu \bar{\eta}_N^g \rangle(t, \vec{q})}{\langle \eta_N^l \bar{\eta}_N^g \rangle(t_{\text{snk}} - t_{\text{src}}, 0)} R(t, \vec{q}),$$

$$R(t, \vec{q}) = \left[ \frac{\langle \eta_N^l \bar{\eta}_N^g \rangle(t_{\text{snk}} - t, \vec{q}) \langle \eta_N^g \bar{\eta}_N^g \rangle(t - t_{\text{src}}, 0) \langle \eta_N^l \bar{\eta}_N^g \rangle(t_{\text{snk}} - t_{\text{src}}, 0)}{\langle \eta_N^l \bar{\eta}_N^g \rangle(t_{\text{snk}} - t, 0) \langle \eta_N^g \bar{\eta}_N^g \rangle(t - t_{\text{src}}, \vec{q}) \langle \eta_N^l \bar{\eta}_N^g \rangle(t_{\text{snk}} - t_{\text{src}}, \vec{q})} \right]^{1/2}$$

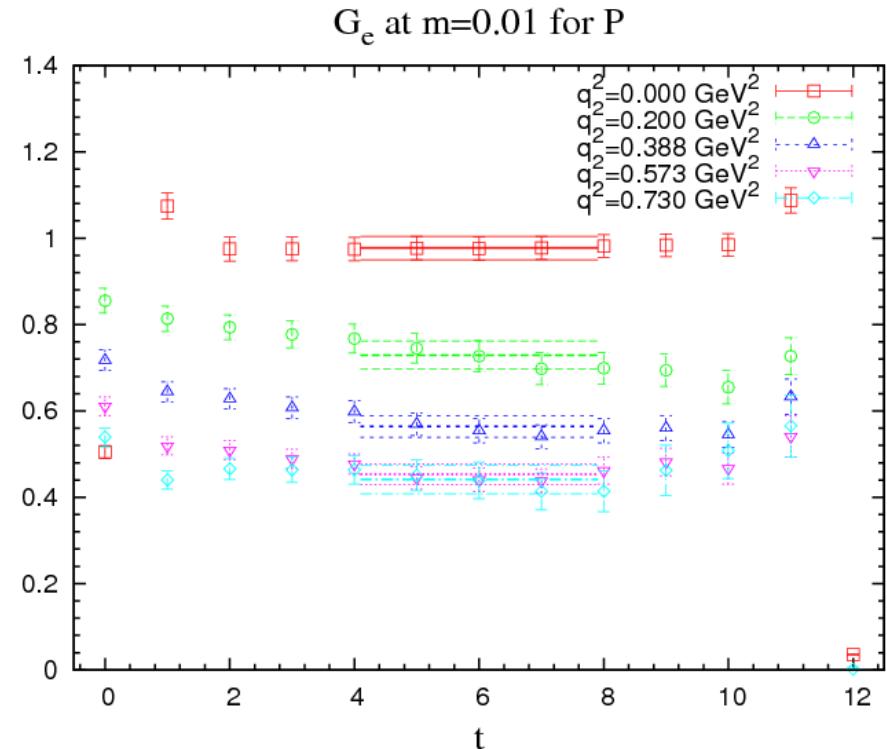
*Ratio has complicated combination of both low and high mode,*

*so AMA has more advantage than LMA even if AMA need larger cost.*

## LMA



## AMA

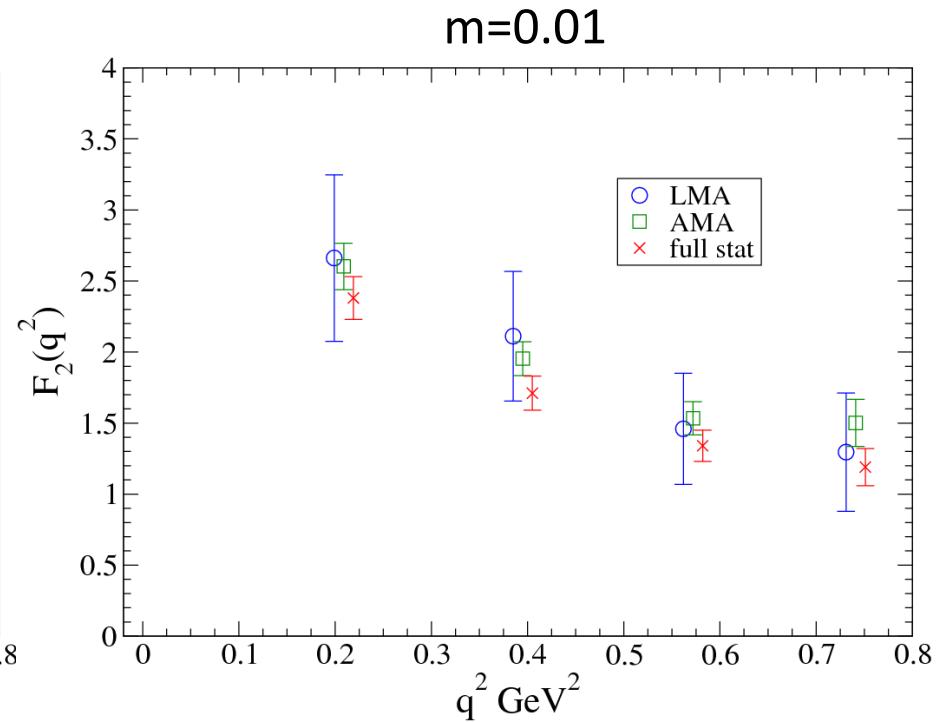
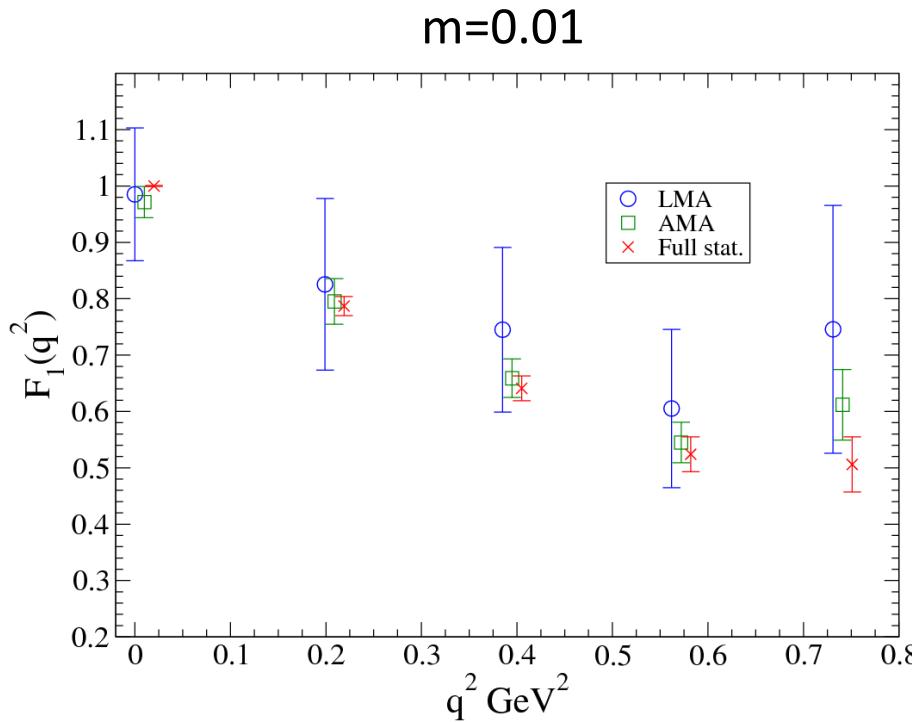


$q^2 \text{ GeV}^2$	$G_e$ (LMA)	$G_e$ (AMA)
0.0	0.96(11)	0.98(3)
0.198	0.72(12)	0.73(3)
0.382	0.58(10)	0.56(3)
0.574	0.48(10)	0.45(2)
0.733	0.52(12)	0.44(3)

Statistical error of AMA is about 3--5 times smaller than LMA.

# Comparison of isovector $F_{1,2}$

## [ E. Shintani ]



- Results are well consistent with full statistics.
- Statistical error is much reduced in AMA rather than LMA.
- Compared to full statistics, AMA results ( $m=0.01$ ) have still 1.2 -- 1.5 times larger statistical error (except for  $F_1(0)$ ).
- This may be due to correlation between different source points.

# CP-odd part

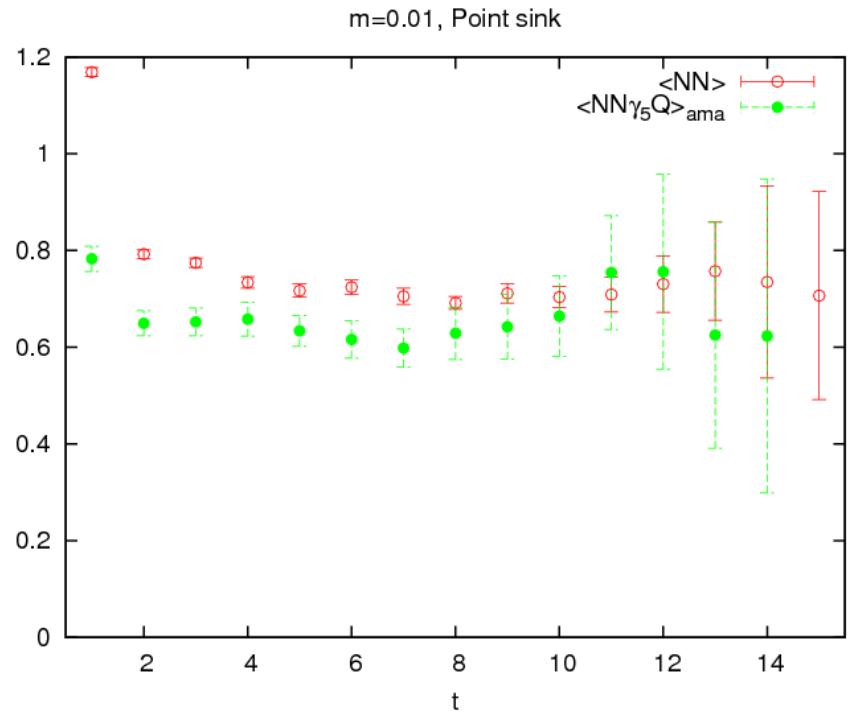
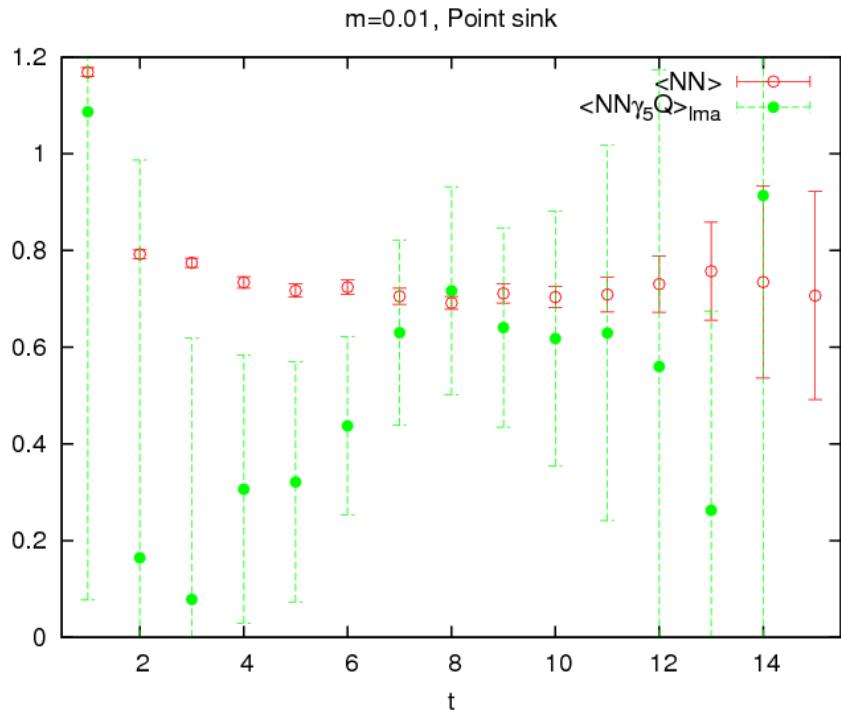
## ■ Nucleon 2pt function with $\theta$ reweighting

$$\langle \eta_N \bar{\eta}_N \rangle_\theta(\vec{p}) = Z_N^2 \frac{i p \cdot \gamma + m_N e^{i\alpha(\theta)\gamma_5}}{2E_N}$$

$$\text{tr} \left[ \gamma_5 \langle Q \eta_N \bar{\eta}_N \rangle(\vec{p}) \right] \simeq Z_N^2 \frac{2m_N}{E_N} \alpha e^{-E_N t}$$

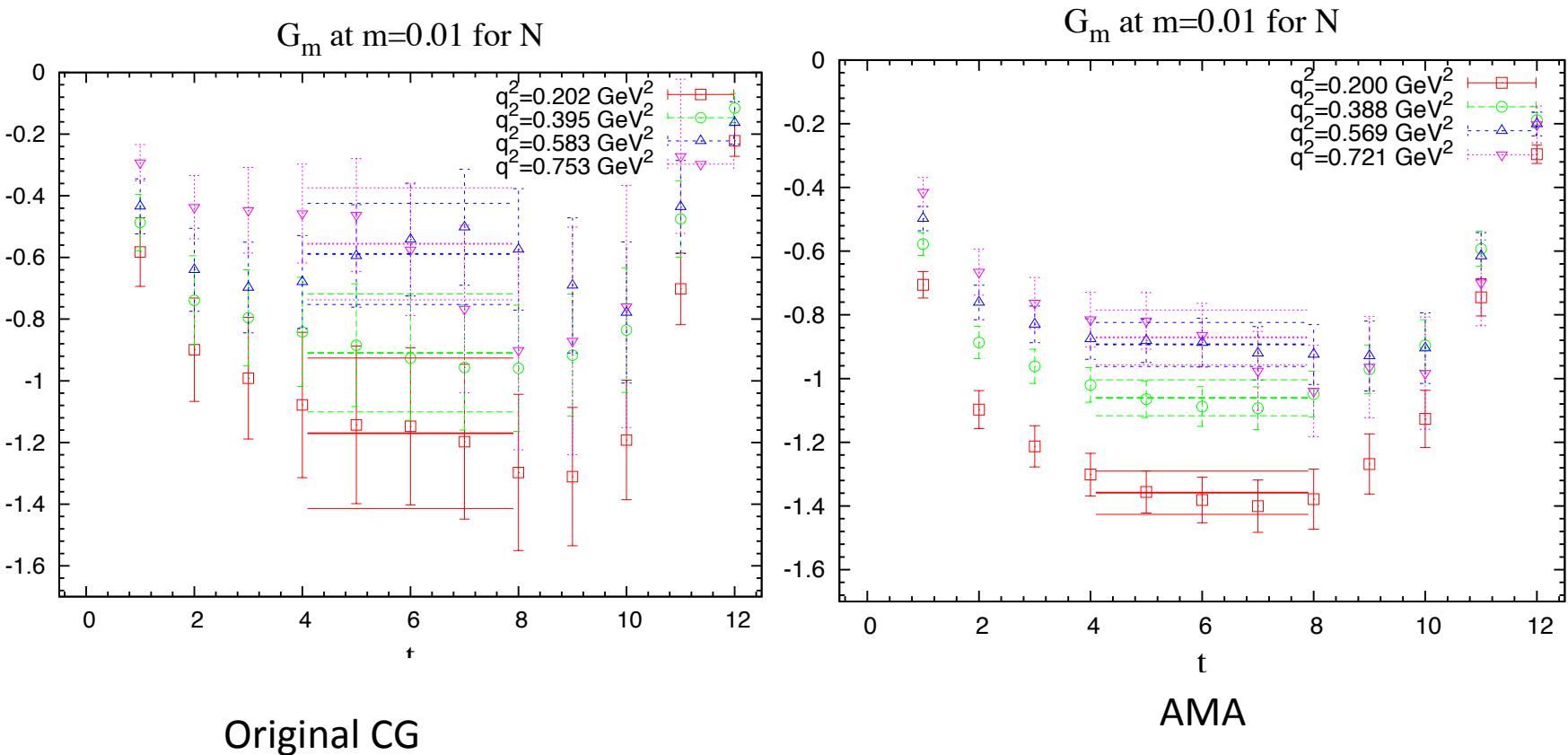
- $Q$  is topological charge.
- $\alpha$  which is CP-odd phase is necessary to extract EDM form factor.
- It is good check of applicability of LMA/AMA to CP-odd sector.
- Effective mass plot shows the consistency of the above formula

# CP-odd part [ E. Shintani ]



- There is good plateau in AMA, and this figure actually shows CP-odd part has consistent exponent with CP-even(nucleon mass) part as expected.
- CP-odd part has both contribution from high and low lying mode.
- AMA works well even in CP-odd sector !

# Nucleon Magnetic formfactor



# Variants of CAA

## ■ CAA (Covariant Approximation Averaging)

- Name  
approximation,  
approximation accuracy control
- LMA (Low Mode Averaging)  
low mode approx of propagator,  
# of eigen vectors
- AMA (All Mode Averaging),  
low mode (optional)+Polynomial approx,  
(# of eigenV) Polynomial degree  
(also other type of minimization)
- Heavy quark averaging [T. Kawanai]  
heavier mass quark prop as an approx of light prop  
quark mass
- ?????

# Other Examples of Covariant Approximations

- Less expensive (parameters of) fermions :
  - Different polynomial approximation than that of CG
  - Larger  $mf$
  - Smaller  $Ls$  DWF
  - Different boundary conditions
  - Möbius
  - even staggered or Wilson .....
- Use other part of configuration only for  $O^{(appx)}$   
may be useful for **disconnected loops / bulk observables**
- More than one kinds of approximation  
(c.f. multi mass Hasenbushing)

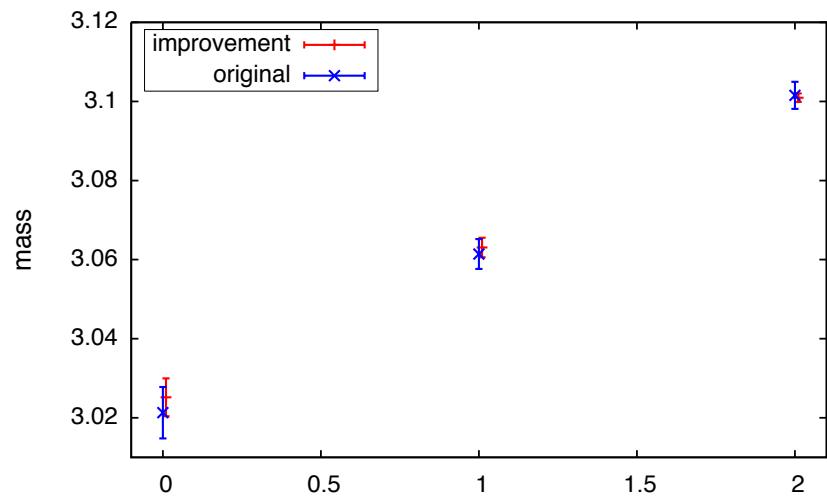
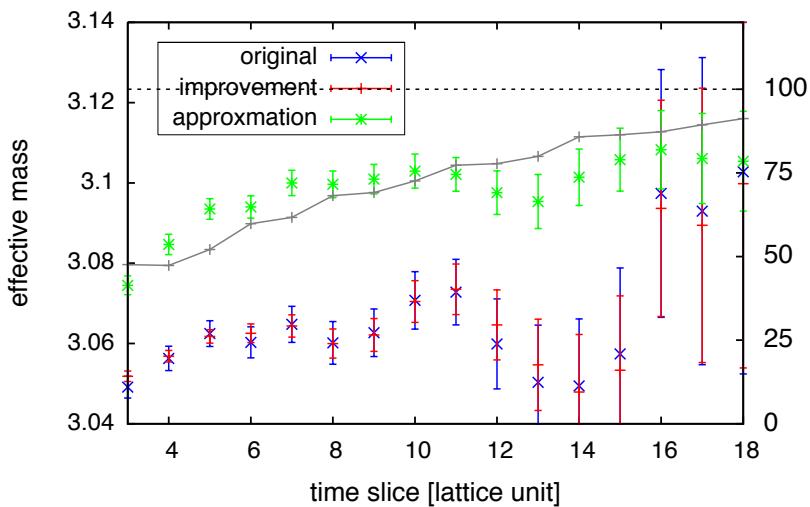
Strongly depends on Observables / Physics (YMMV)

Would work better for EXPENSIVE observables and/or fermion,  
potentially a **game changer** ?

# Larger mass as CAA

## [ Taichi Kawanai ]

$24^3 \times 64 \times 16$ , 20 config ,  
mf=0.01 (target)   mf=0.04 “approximation”



# Further optimized approximation

- Further optimized approximation based on data could be considered. For example,

$$\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})'} = C \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})}$$

$$C = \sqrt{\frac{\langle (\Delta \mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})})^2 \rangle}{\langle (\Delta \mathcal{O})^2 \rangle}}$$

which suppresses fluctuation of  $\mathcal{O}^{(\text{rest})}$  further.

- One needs to make sure  $\mathcal{O}^{(\text{appx})'}$  is covariant to avoid **bias** from the refinement.
- One could use different set of ensemble for tuning (computing  $C$  above) and the actual computation

# Other related/similar techniques

- **LMA**

L. Giusti, P. Hernandez, M. Laine, P. Weisz and H. Wittig, JHEP 0404, 013 (2004)  
see also H. Neff, N. Eicker, T. Lippert, J. W. Negele and K. Schilling, Phys. Rev. D 64 (2001) 114509 and T. DeGrand and S. Schaefer, Comput. Phys. Commun. 159 (2004) 185

works well for low mode dominant quantities

- Truncated Solver Method (**TSM**)

G. Bali, S. Collins, A. Schaefer, Comput. Phys. Commun. 181 (2010) 1570

uses stochastic noise to avoid systematic error

- **All-to-all** propagator

J. Foley, K. Juge, A. O'Cais, M. Peardon, S. Ryan, J-I. Skullerud, Comput. Phys. Commun. 172 (2005) 145

uses stochastic noise  
could use CAA as a part of A2A

# Summary

- CAA , LMA, AMA, .... :  
A new Class of Statistical error reduction technique
  - AMA is a valence version of the Hasenbusch trick
  - AMA could improve **existing data** easily
  - 16 times less cost for DWF nucleon mass (3fm, 330 MeV pion)
  - 2.6–20 times less cost for HVP on AsqTadsta (4-5 fm 315 MeV pion)
- **YMMV**, find a good / cheap / funny approximations

# Other technical details

- Implicitly Restarted Lanczos with Polynomial acceleration and spectrum shifts for DWF and staggered in CPS++ [ E. Shintani, T. Blum, TI ].
- Eigen Vector compression / decompression
- Sea Electric Charge is now controlled by QED reweighting
  - [ T. Ishikawa et. al. arXiv:1202.6018 ]
- Aslash-SeqSrc method