



# Flavor physics and Lattice QCD

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► Lattice QCD :

- UV regulator  $\Lambda_{UV} = a^{-1}$
- IR regulator  $\Lambda_{IR} = L^{-1}$

► Direct simulations using an heavy meson B :

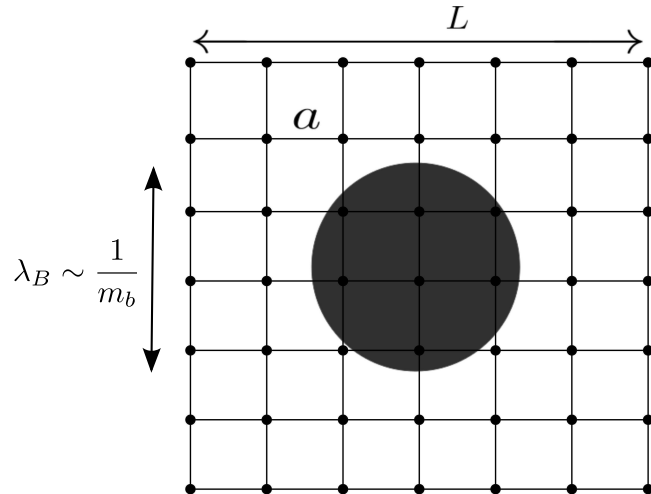
$$L^{-1} \ll m_\pi, m_B \ll a^{-1}$$

$$\mathcal{O}(e^{-m_\pi L}) \quad am_B < 1$$

$$L \gg 6 \text{ fm} \quad a \ll 0.05 \text{ fm}$$

Volume effect

Discretization effect



► Lattice resolution  $L/a \gg 120$  : not yet possible

► Methods used by the lattice community :

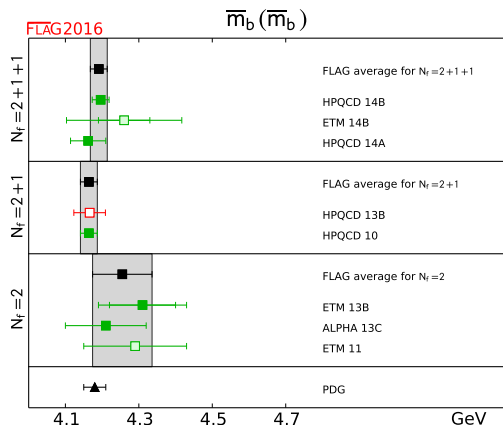
- Effective field theories (Heavy Quark Effective Theory, Non-Relativistic QCD)
- Step scaling method
- Highly-improved actions (to reduce discretization effects)

# Simulate the $b$ quark in Heavy Quark Effective Theory (HQET)

- ▶ Non perturbative matching of Heavy Quark Effective Theory (HQET) with QCD
- ▶ **Strategy OK** to pass quality criteria established by the **Flavour Lattice Averaging Group**.

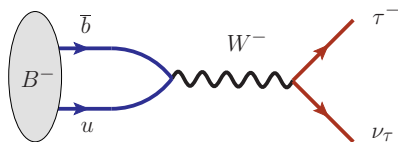
## ▶ Determination of the $b$ quark mass

- systematic control of cut-off effects
- Effective theory : static +  $O(1/m_b)$  corrections

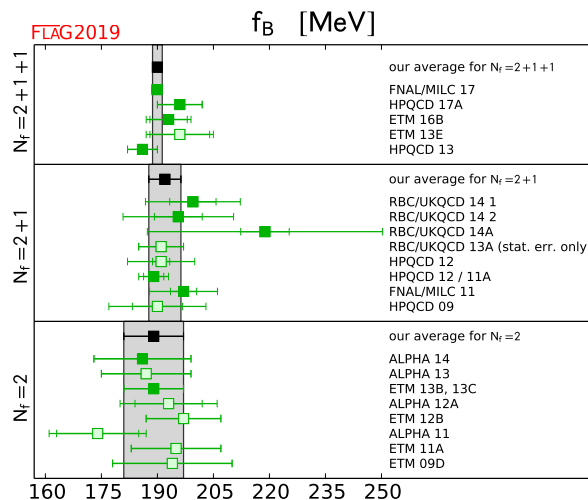


## ▶ $B$ and $B_s$ decay constants

$$\mathcal{B}(B^- \rightarrow \tau^- \nu_\tau) \propto |V_{ub}|^2 f_B^2$$



[B. Blossier, A. Gérardin et al : 2014]



- ▶ Series of (dynamical) heavy quark masses  $m_{h_i}$  to reach the  $b$  quark mass

$$\frac{m_{h_{i+1}}}{m_{h_i}} = \left( \frac{m_{B_q}}{m_{D_q}} \right)^{1/N}, \quad i \in [1 : N]$$

- ▶ Observable (decay constant, ...)

$$A(m_{B_q}) = A(m_{D_q}) \prod_{i=1}^N R'_i, \quad R'_i = \frac{A(m_{h_{i+1}})}{A(m_{h_i})} \propto R_i^{\text{HQET}}$$

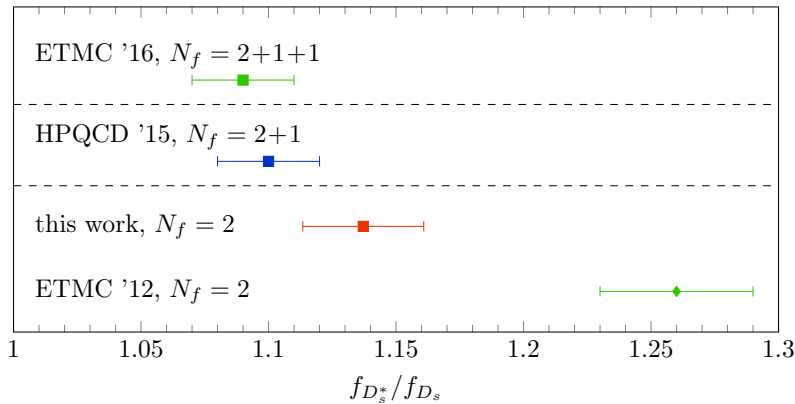
$$R_i^{\text{HQET}} = 1 + \frac{X_1}{m_{h_i}} + \frac{X_2}{(m_{h_i})^2}$$

- ▶ Each step : continuum extrapolation + chiral extrapolation to the physical pion mass
  - ✓ ratio are expected to have smaller discretization effects
  - ✓ smoother chiral extrapolation
  - ✗ The statistical error accumulates at each step !

Preliminary study : charm physics

[B. Blossier, V. Morenas et al : 2018, 2020]

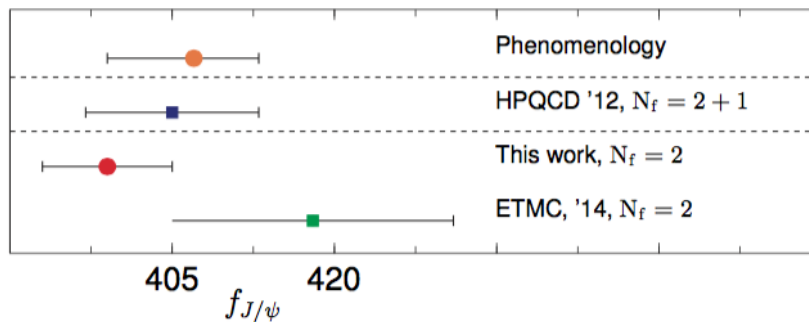
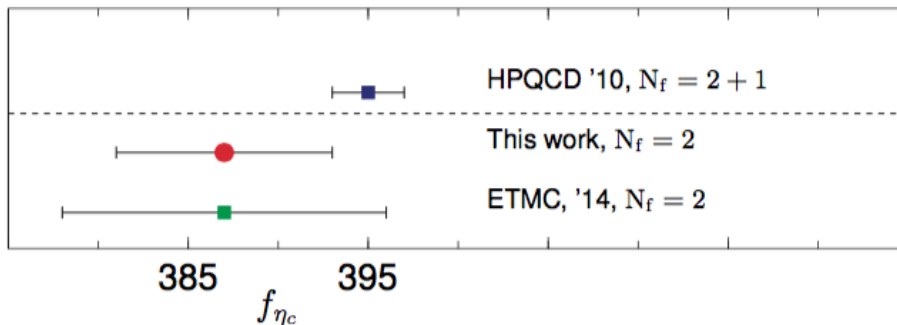
- ▶ A dynamical  $c$  quark can be simulated on the lattices
  - study of excited state contaminations
  - study of the size of discretization effects



- $m_{D_s^*} = 2.111(10)(13)$  GeV
  - Very good agreement with experiment
- $f_{D_s^*}/f_{D_s} = 1.14(2)$ 
  - Discretization effects  $< 10\%$

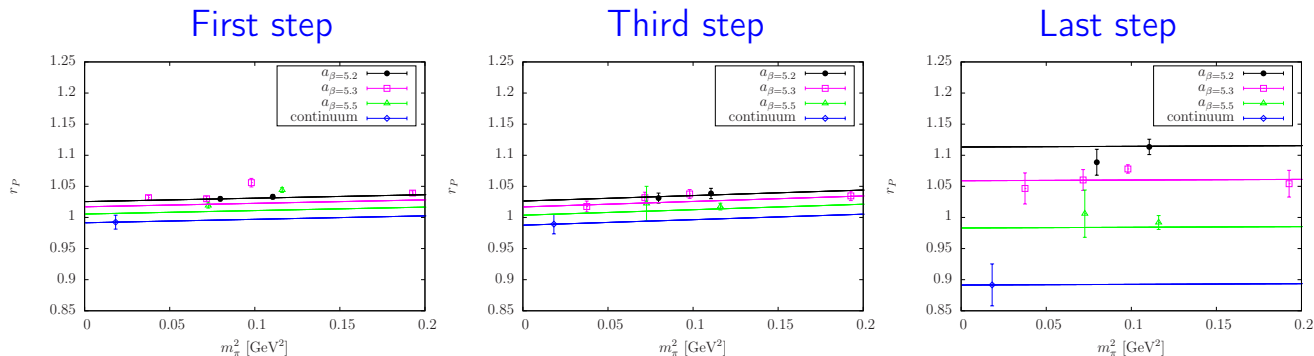
- ▶ **Next step** : study transitions such as  $B_s \rightarrow D_s^{(*)}$

- ▶ Also some new results with charmonia :  $\eta_c$  (pseudoscalar) and  $J/\psi$  (vector)



- ▶ Results included in the on-going FLAG report
- ▶ Next step : study transitions such as  $B_c \rightarrow J/\psi \ell \bar{\nu}$  ,  $B_c \rightarrow \eta_c \ell \bar{\nu}$
- ▶ Method : step scaling functions to reach the physical  $b$  quark mass (ETMC strategy)

- $N = 5$  steps are used to reach the  $b$  quark mass



→ discretization effects become important at large masses

→ smooth chiral behavior (simulations at physical pion mass challenging)

- **Difficulty** : the statistical error accumulates with the number of iterations

$$\frac{f_{B_s}}{f_{D_s}} = 0.87(4)_{(-4)}^{(+1)} \Rightarrow f_{B_s} = 212(10)(2)_{(-10)}^{(+2)} \text{ MeV}$$

→ Compatible with [ALPHA '14] :  $f_{B_s} = 224(14)$  MeV (same ensemble, using HQET)

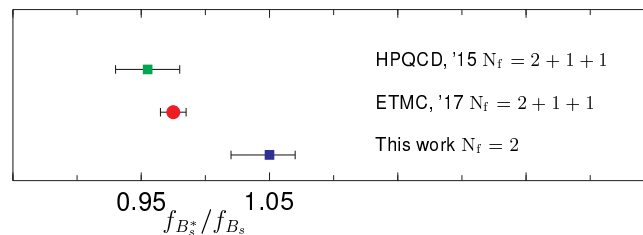
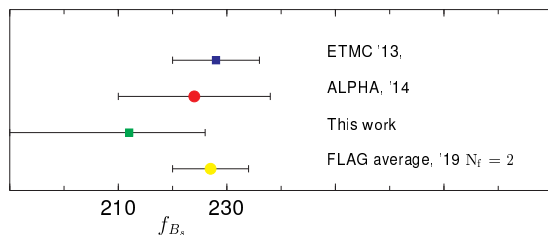
- **Advantage** : One can directly study the  $1/m_h$  corrections

- ▶ Similar strategy in the vector channel :  $B_{(s)}^*$

$$\frac{m_{B_s^*}}{m_{B_s}} = 1.0061(4)(5) , \quad \frac{f_{B_s^*}}{f_{B_s}} = 1.05(2)$$

→  $\frac{f_{B_s^*}}{f_{B_s}} > 1$  quenching of the strange quark ?

→ similar observation on ETMC lattice [Becirevic et al '14]

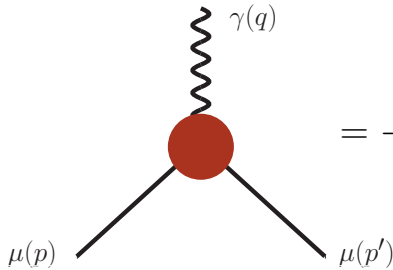


FLAG average of 2016

- ▶ **Conclusion** : the method works (but challenging)
- ▶ Study of the form factors for  $B_s \rightarrow D_s^{(*)} \ell \nu$  has started [B. Blossier, S. Zafeiropoulos et al, 2021]
- ▶ Future : plan to use another strategy (relativistic heavy quarks)



## The anomalous magnetic moment of the muon

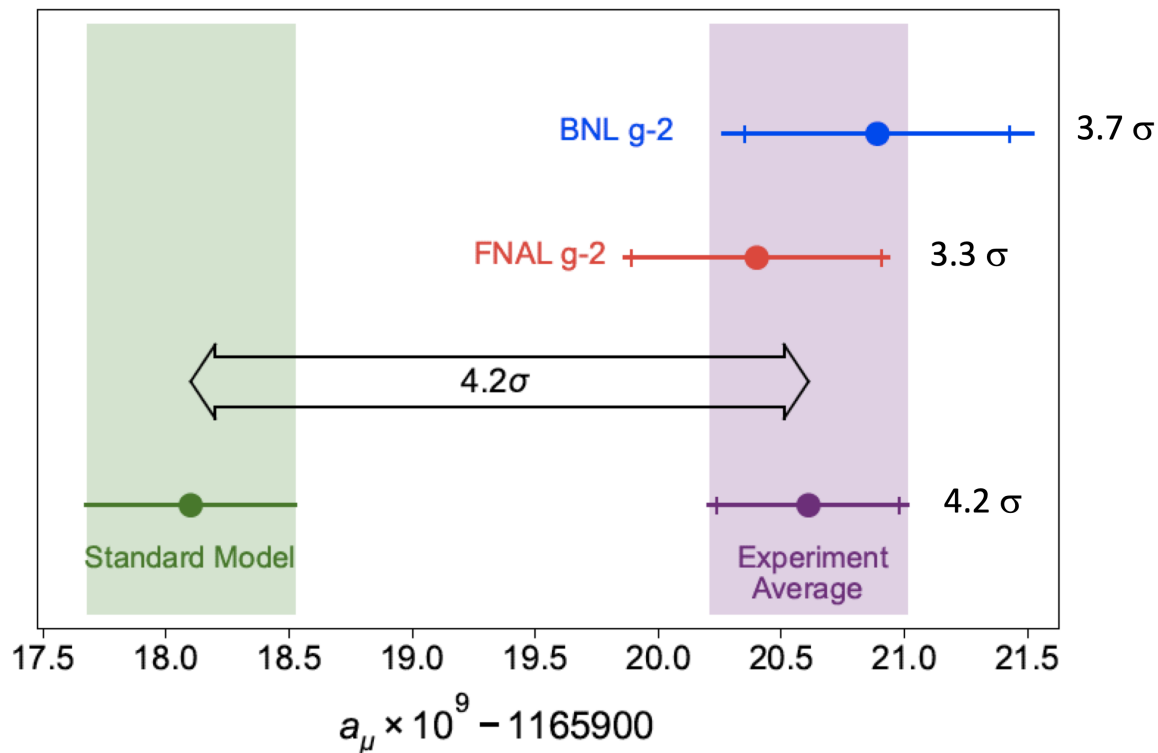


$$= -ie \bar{u}(p', \sigma') \left[ \gamma_\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma_{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2m} F_2(q^2) \right] u(p, \sigma)$$

$$a_\mu = \frac{g-2}{2} = F_2(0) = \text{quantum corrections}$$

Pheno.  $a_\mu = (116\,591\,810 \pm 43) \times 10^{-11}$

Exp.  $a_\mu = (116\,592\,061 \pm 41) \times 10^{-11}$  [BNL + Fermilab 2021]



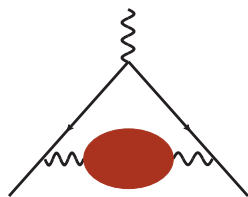
- Theory estimate from the White Paper (posted 10 June 2020)

*The anomalous magnetic moment of the muon in the Standard Model* [[Phys.Rept. 887 \(2020\) 1-166](#)]

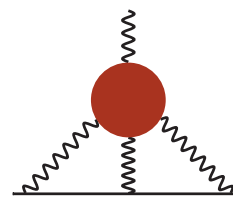
Contribution	$a_\mu \times 10^{11}$	
- QED (leptons, 5 <sup>th</sup> order)	116 584 718.95 ± 0.08	[Aoyama et al. '12]
- Electroweak	153.6 ± 1.0	[Gnendiger et al. "13]
- Strong contributions		
HVP (LO)	6 931 ± 40	[DHMZ 19, KNT 20]
HVP (NLO)	-98.3 ± 0.7	[Hagiwara et al. 11]
HVP (NNLO)	12.4 ± 0.1	[Kurtz et al. '14]
HLbL	94 ± 19	[See WP]
Total (theory)	116 591 810 ± 43	

- Theory error dominated by hadronic uncertainties**

- Dominated by low energy QCD
- Require non-perturbative methods



Hadronic Vacuum Polarisation (LO-HVP,  $\alpha^2$ )



Hadronic Light-by-Light scattering (HLbL,  $\alpha^3$ )

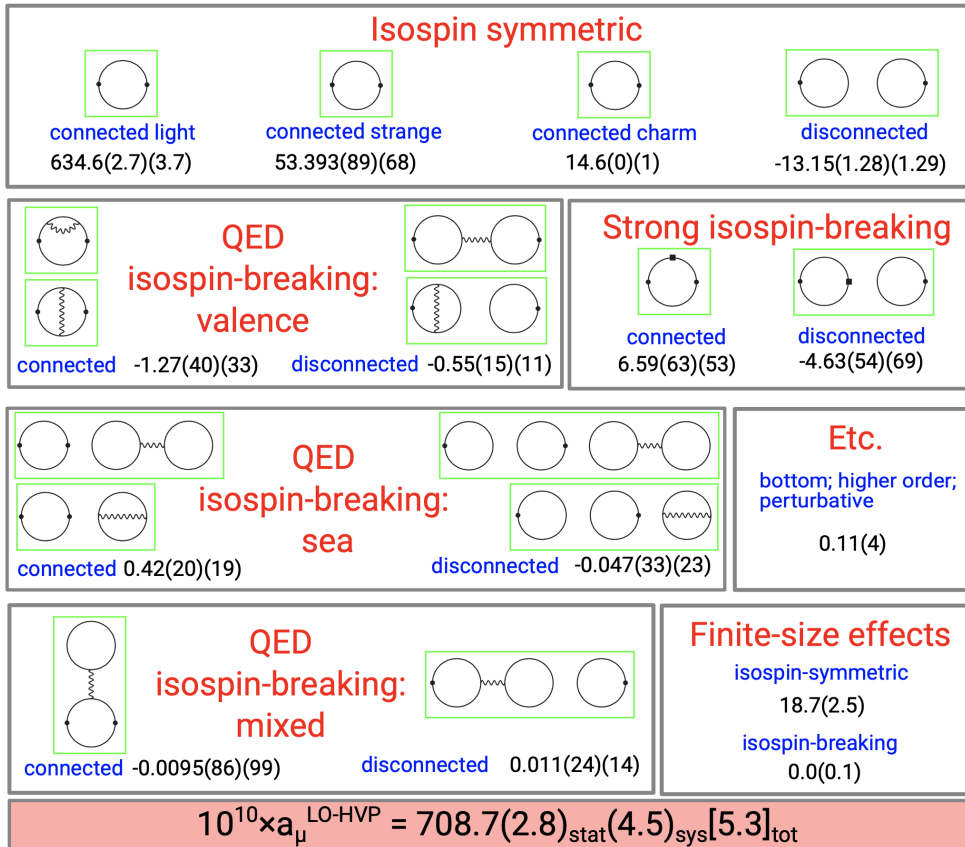
- Contribution from unknown particles / interactions (?)**

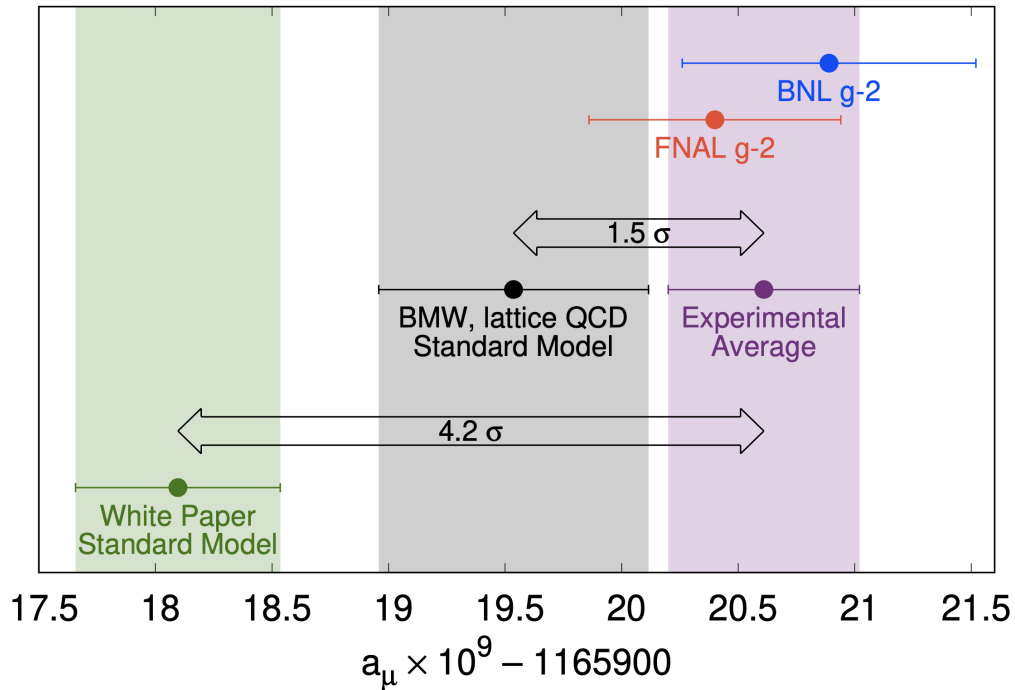
$$a_\ell^{\text{NP}} = C \frac{m_\ell^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

- First complete calculation** [BMW Collaboration : Nature 593 (2021)]

→ first lattice calculation below 1% precision

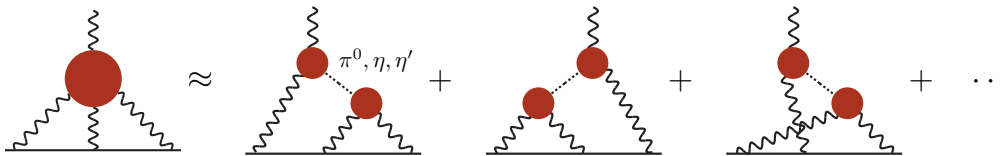
→ include all isospin-breaking and QED corrections



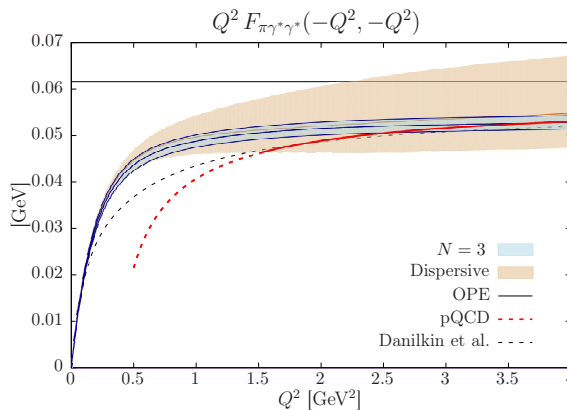
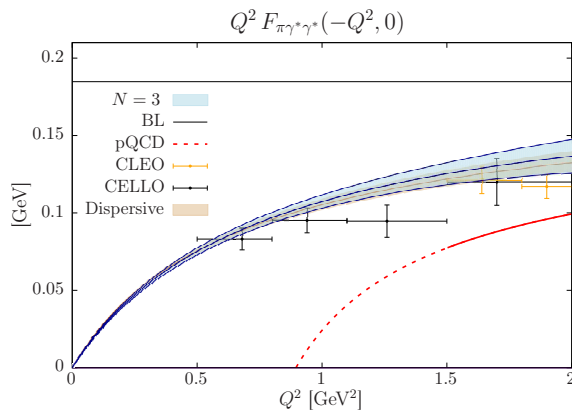


- ▶ The BMW result **reduces the tension with SM**
- ▶ The BMW result **increases the tension with R-ratio data**
- ▶ **Future** : s **further reduction by a factor at least 3 is needed** to reach the future exp. precision at Fermilab

- Main contribution from light pseudoscalar poles



- Pion transition form factor [A. G et al, Phys.Rev. D94 (2016)] [A. G et al, Phys.Rev. D100 (2019)]



- First ab-initio calculation of the pion-pole contribution

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0} = (59.9 \pm 3.6) \times 10^{-11}$$

→ Compatible with the dispersive result

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0} = 62.6_{-2.5}^{+3.0} \times 10^{-11} \quad [\text{Hoferichter et al. '18}]$$

→ Contribution under control

→ Next step :  $\eta$  and  $\eta'$  !

## ► Flavor physics in the quark sector

- Many results in the charm sector
- Test of the step-scaling method to simulate the  $b$ -quark
- Form factors  $B_s \rightarrow D_s^{(*)} \ell \nu$  are under investigation

## ► Lepton sector : anomalous magnetic moment of the muon

- strong expertise in the calculation of the hadronic vacuum polarization
- first sub-percent result for the HVP (Marseille)
- on-going efforts on form factors for the hadronic light-by-light contribution

## ► Computer ressources

- simulations with light pion masses, small lattice spacings are computationally expensive