

Leading hadronic contribution to the muon magnetic moment from lattice QCD

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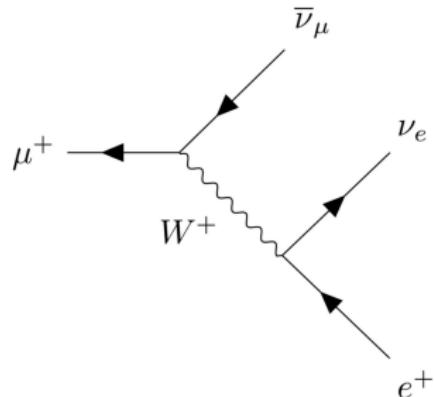
The Standard Model on a page

Describes all known elementary particles and three of the four fundamental interactions

mass → ≈2.3 MeV/c ²	≈1.275 GeV/c ²	≈173.07 GeV/c ²	0	≈126 GeV/c ²
charge → 2/3	2/3	2/3	0	0
spin → 1/2	1/2	1/2	1	0
up	charm	top	gluon	Higgs boson
down	strange	bottom	γ	
electron	μ	τ	Z	
electron neutrino	ν _e	ν _τ	W	
muon neutrino	ν _μ			

(Wikimedia)

- muon (μ) ~ electron (e): same interactions w/ gauge bosons, not with the Higgs
- But: $m_\mu \simeq 207 \times m_e$ & $\tau_\mu \simeq 2 \times 10^{-6}$ sec



Lepton magnetic moments and BSM physics

Interaction with an external EM field: QM

Dirac eq. w/ minimal coupling (1928):

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left[\vec{a} \cdot \left(c \frac{\hbar}{i} \vec{\nabla} - e_\ell \vec{A} \right) + \beta c^2 m_\ell + e_\ell A_0 \right] \psi$$

nonrelativistic limit \downarrow (Pauli eq.)

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = \left[\frac{\left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \vec{\nabla} - \frac{e_\ell}{c} \vec{A} \right)^2}{2m_\ell} - \underbrace{\frac{e_\ell \hbar}{2m_\ell} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}}_{\vec{\mu}_\ell \cdot \vec{B}} + e_\ell A_0 \right] \phi$$

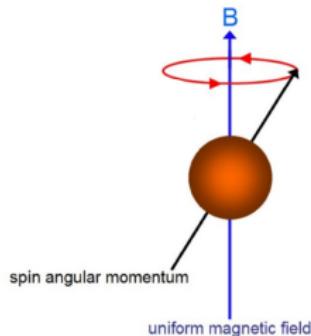
with

$$\vec{\mu}_\ell = g_\ell \left(\frac{e_\ell}{2m_\ell} \right) \vec{S}, \quad \vec{S} = \hbar \frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2}$$

and

$$g_\ell|_{\text{Dirac}} = 2$$

"That was really an unexpected bonus for me, completely unexpected." (P.A.M. Dirac)



Interaction with an external EM field: QFT

Assuming Poincaré invariance and current conservation ($q^\mu J_\mu = 0$ with $q \equiv p' - p$):

$$\langle \ell(p') | J_\mu(0) | \ell(p) \rangle = \bar{u}(p') \left[\gamma_\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i}{2m_\ell} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu F_2(q^2) - \gamma_5 \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu F_3(q^2) + \gamma_5 (q^2 \gamma_\mu - 2m_\ell q_\mu) F_4(q^2) \right] u(p)$$

$F_1(q^2)$ → Dirac form factor: $F_1(0) = 1$

$F_2(q^2)$ → Pauli form factor, magnetic dipole moment: $F_2(0) = a_\ell = \frac{g_\ell - 2}{2}$

$F_3(q^2)$ → \not{P} , T , electric dipole moment: $F_3(0) = d_\ell / e_\ell$

$F_4(q^2)$ → \not{P} , anapole moment: $\vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})$

$\overset{g_\ell \mid \text{Dirac}}{\overbrace{}}$

- $F_2(q^2)$ & $F_{3,4}(q^2)$ come from loops but UV finite once theory's couplings are renormalized (in a renormalizable theory)

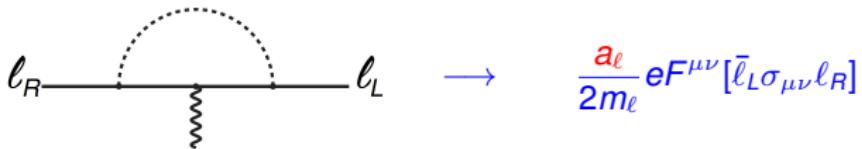
- a_ℓ dimensionless

- corrections including only ℓ and γ are mass independent, i.e. universal

- contributions from particles w/ $M \gg m_\ell$ are $\propto (m_\ell/M)^{2p} \times \ln^q(m_\ell^2/M^2)$

- contributions from particles w/ $m \ll m_\ell$ are e.g. $\propto \ln^2(m_\ell^2/m^2)$

Why are a_ℓ special?



- Loop induced \Rightarrow sensitive to new dofs
- CP and flavor conserving, chirality flipping \Rightarrow complementary to: EDMs, s and b decays, LHC direct searches, ...
- Chirality flipping $\Rightarrow a_\ell$ related to mass generation (Czarnecki et al '01) ($M \gg m_\ell$)

$$a_\ell^M = O(1) \left(\frac{\Delta m_\ell}{m_\ell} \right) \left(\frac{m_\ell}{M} \right)^2$$

- In EW theory, $M = M_W$ and

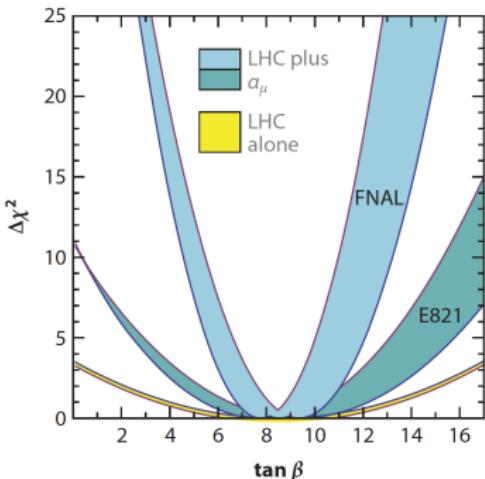
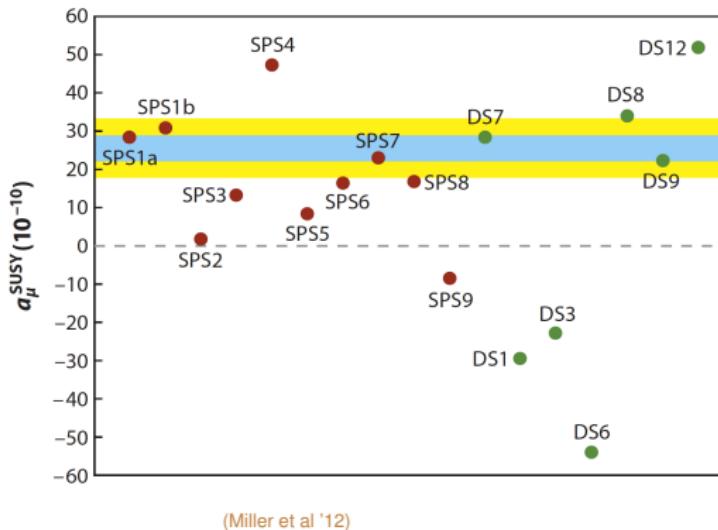
$$\frac{\Delta m_\ell}{m_\ell} \sim \frac{\alpha}{4\pi}$$

- BSM can be very different, e.g. SUSY $M = M_{\text{SUSY}}$ and $(\Delta m_\ell/m_\ell) \sim (\alpha/4\pi) \times \text{sign}\mu \tan\beta$

Why is a_μ special?

$$m_e : m_\mu : m_\tau = 0.0005 : 0.106 : 1.777 \text{ GeV} \quad \tau_e : \tau_\mu : \tau_\tau = " \infty " : 2 \cdot 10^{-6} : 3 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

- a_μ is $(m_\mu/m_e)^2 \sim 4 \times 10^4$ times more sensitive to new Φ than a_e
- a_τ is even more sensitive to new Φ , but is too shortly lived



(SPS1a)

Big > 0 effect $\rightarrow \text{sign}\mu = 1$, $M_{N\phi} \sim 100 \div 500 \text{ GeV}$, $\tan \beta \sim 3 \div 40$

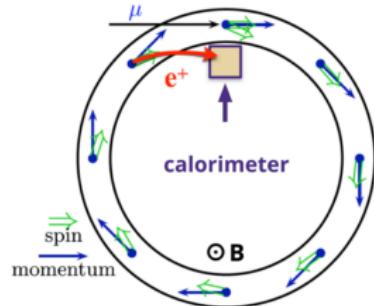
Big question

$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} = a_\mu^{\text{SM}}?$$

If not, what is the new Φ and can it be seen elsewhere?

Experimental measurement of a_μ

Measurement principle for a_μ



Precession determined by

$$\vec{\mu}_\mu = 2(1 + a_\mu) \frac{Qe}{2m_\mu} \vec{S}$$

$$\vec{d}_\mu = \eta_\mu \frac{Qe}{2m_\mu c} \vec{S}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_{a\eta} = \vec{\omega}_a + \vec{\omega}_\eta = -\frac{Qe}{m_\mu} \left[a_\mu \vec{B} + \left(a_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1} \right) \frac{\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}}{c} \right] - \eta_\mu \frac{Qe}{2m_\mu} \left[\frac{\vec{E}}{c} + \vec{\beta} \times \vec{B} \right]$$

- Experiment measures very precisely \vec{B} with $|\vec{B}| \gg |\vec{E}|/c$ &

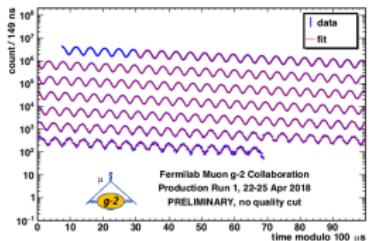
$$\Delta\omega \equiv \omega_S - \omega_C \simeq \sqrt{\omega_a^2 + \omega_\eta^2} \simeq \omega_a$$

since $d_\mu = 0.1(9) \times 10^{-19} e \cdot \text{cm}$ (Benett et al '09)

- Consider either magic $\gamma = 29.3$ (CERN/BNL/Fermilab) or $\vec{E} = 0$ (J-PARC)

$$\rightarrow \Delta\omega \simeq -a_\mu B \frac{Qe}{m_\mu}$$

Fermilab E989 @ magic γ : measurement (simplified)



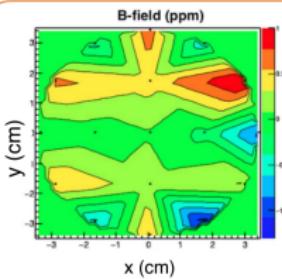
ω_a

Extract from decay positron time spectra

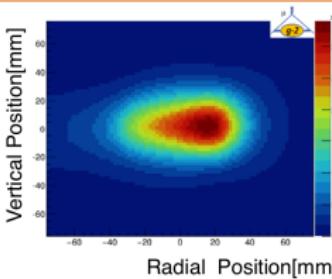
$$N(t) = N_0 e^{-t/\tau_\mu} [1 + A \cos(\omega_a t + \phi)]$$

$$a_\mu = \left(\frac{g_e}{2} \right) \left(\frac{\omega_a}{\langle \omega_p \rangle} \right) \left(\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_e} \right) \left(\frac{m_\mu}{m_e} \right)$$

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Map the magnetic field



Obtain muon distribution in the storage ring

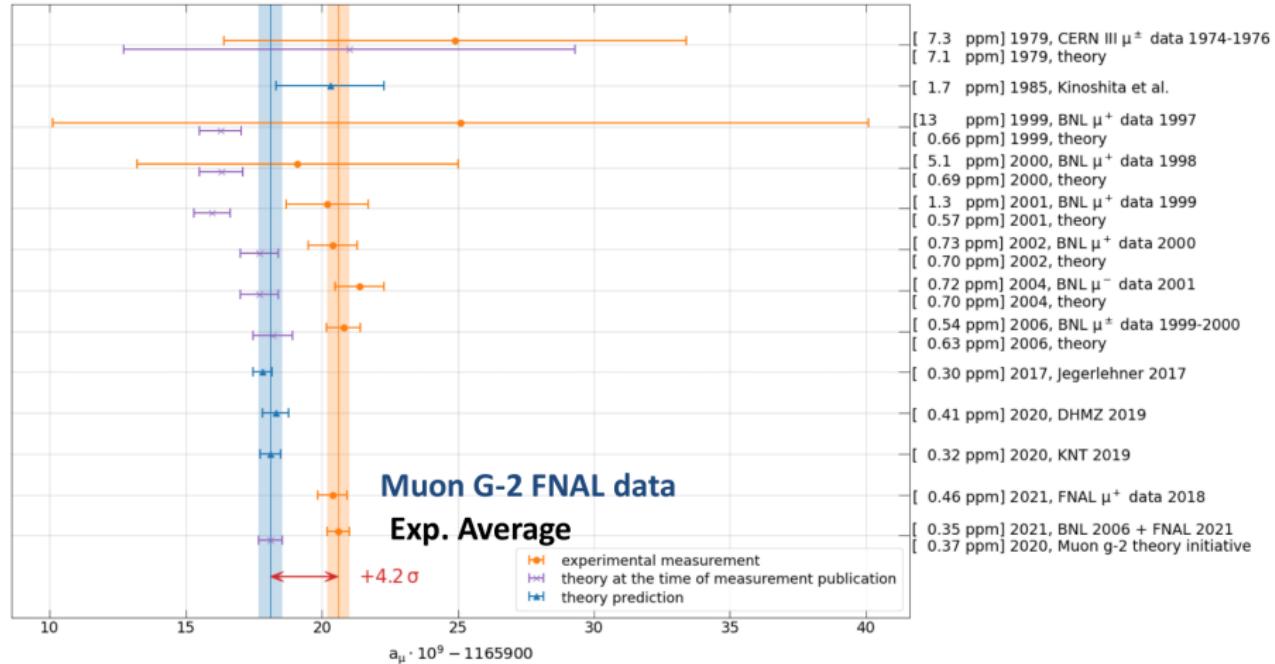
$$\langle \omega_p \rangle \approx \omega_p \otimes \rho(r)$$

Average magnetic field weighted by muon distribution

ω_p : free proton precession frequency
Using proton NMR $\hbar \omega_p = 2 \mu_p B$

$g - 2$ updated experimental history (8 April 2021)

History of muon anomaly measurements and predictions



$$a_\mu(\text{AVG}) = 116\,592\,061(41) \times 10^{-11} \quad (0.35 \text{ ppm}).$$

G. Venanzoni, CERN Seminar, 8 April 2021

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Based on only 6% of expected FNAL data!

Standard model calculation of a_μ

At needed precision: all three interactions and most SM particles

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{SM}} &= a_\mu^{\text{QED}} + a_\mu^{\text{had}} + a_\mu^{\text{EW}} \\ &= \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\alpha}{2\pi}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_\mu}{M_\rho}\right)^2\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(\frac{e}{4\pi \sin \theta_W}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_\mu}{M_W}\right)^2\right) \\ &= \mathcal{O}\left(10^{-3}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(10^{-7}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(10^{-9}\right) \end{aligned}$$

QED contributions to a_ℓ

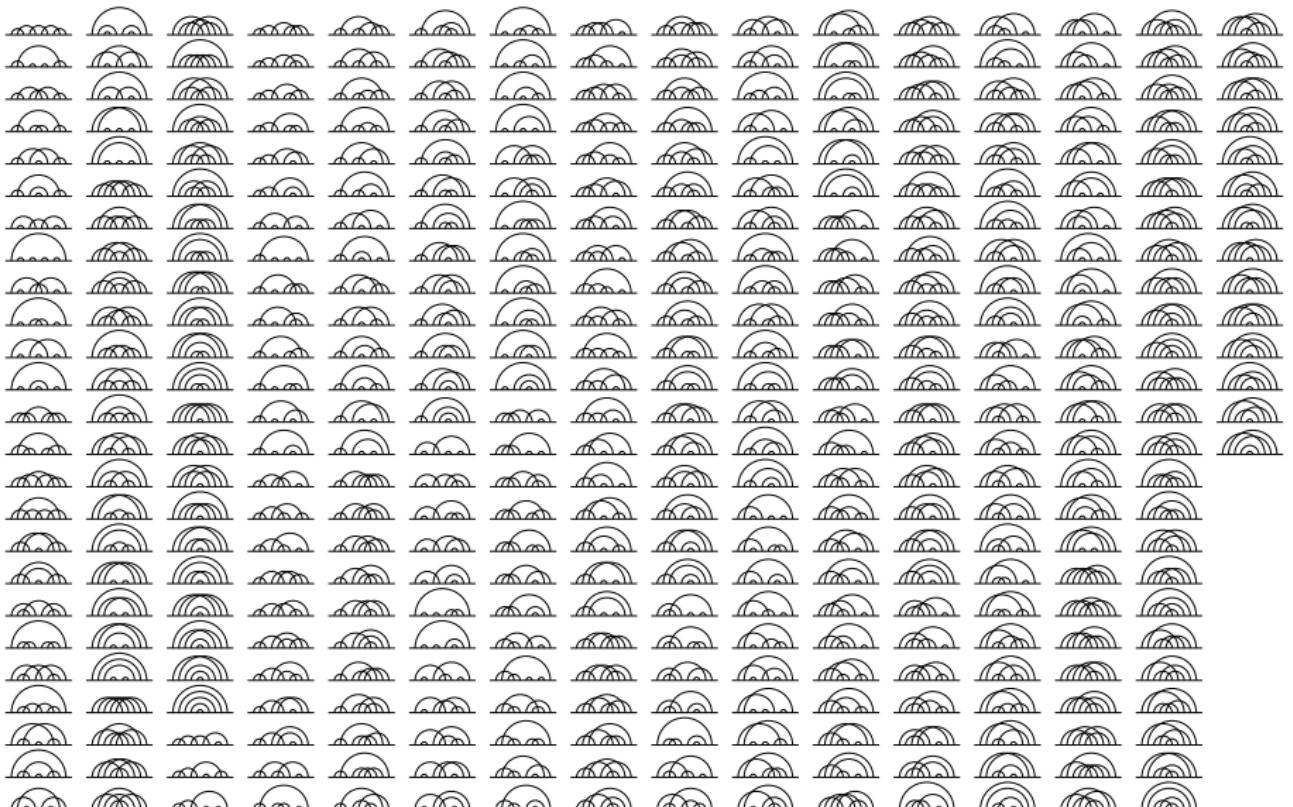
Loops with only photons and leptons

$$a_\ell^{\text{QED}} = C_\ell^{(2)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) + C_\ell^{(4)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 + C_\ell^{(6)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 + C_\ell^{(8)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^4 + C_\ell^{(10)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^5 + \dots$$

$$C_\ell^{(2n)} = A_1^{(2n)} + A_2^{(2n)}(m_\ell/m_{\ell'}) + A_3^{(2n)}(m_\ell/m_{\ell'}, m_\ell/m_{\ell''})$$

- $A_1^{(2)}, A_1^{(4)}, A_1^{(6)}, A_2^{(4)}, A_2^{(6)}, A_3^{(6)}$ known analytically (Schwinger '48; Sommerfield '57, '58; Petermann '57; ...)
- $O((\alpha/\pi)^3)$: 72 diagrams (Laporta et al '91, '93, '95, '96; Kinoshita '95)
- $O((\alpha/\pi)^4; (\alpha/\pi)^5)$: 891; 12,672 diagrams (Laporta '95; Aguilar et al '08; Aoyama, Kinoshita, Nio '96-'18)
 - Automated generation of diagrams
 - Numerical evaluation of loop integrals
 - Only some diagrams are known analytically
 - Not all contributions are fully, independently checked

5-loop QED diagrams



(Aoyama et al '15)

QED contribution to a_μ

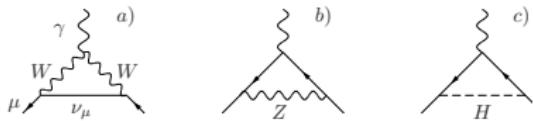
$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{QED}}(Cs) &= 1\,165\,847\,189.31(7)_{m_\tau}(17)_{\alpha^4}(6)_{\alpha^5}(100)_{\alpha^6}(23)_{\alpha(Cs)} \times 10^{-12} \text{ [0.9 ppb]} \\ a_\mu^{\text{QED}}(a_e) &= 1\,165\,847\,188.42(7)_{m_\tau}(17)_{\alpha^4}(6)_{\alpha^5}(100)_{\alpha^6}(28)_{\alpha(a_e)} \times 10^{-12} \text{ [0.9 ppb]} \end{aligned}$$

(Aoyama et al '12, '18, '19)

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{QED}} &= 734.2(4.1) \times 10^{-10} \\ &\stackrel{?}{=} a_\mu^{\text{EW}} + a_\mu^{\text{had}} \end{aligned}$$

Electroweak contributions to a_μ : Z , W , H , etc. loops

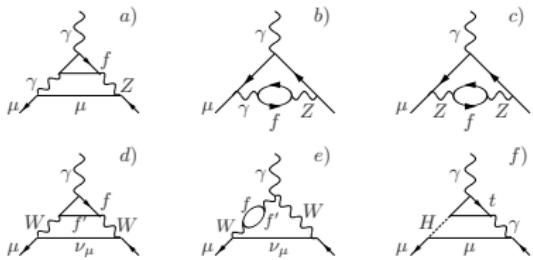
1-loop



$$\begin{aligned} a_{\mu}^{\text{EW},(1)} &= O\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}G_F m_{\mu}^2}{16\pi^2}\right) \\ &= 19.479(1) \times 10^{-10} \end{aligned}$$

(Gnendiger et al '15, Aoyama et al '20 and refs therein)

2-loop



$$\begin{aligned} a_{\mu}^{\text{EW},(2)} &= O\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}G_F m_{\mu}^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) \\ &= -4.12(10) \times 10^{-10} \end{aligned}$$

(Gnendiger et al '15 and refs therein)

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{EW}} = 15.36(10) \times 10^{-10}$$

Hadronic contributions to a_μ : quark and gluon loops

$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{QED}} - a_\mu^{\text{EW}} = 718.9(4.1) \times 10^{-10} \stackrel{?}{=} a_\mu^{\text{had}}$$

Clearly right order of magnitude:

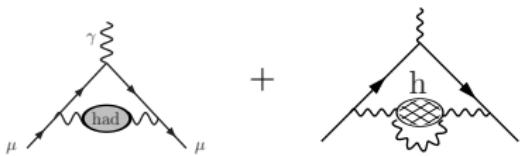
$$a_\mu^{\text{had}} = O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_\mu}{M_\rho}\right)^2\right) = O(10^{-7})$$

(already Gourdin & de Rafael '69 found $a_\mu^{\text{had}} = 650(50) \times 10^{-10}$)

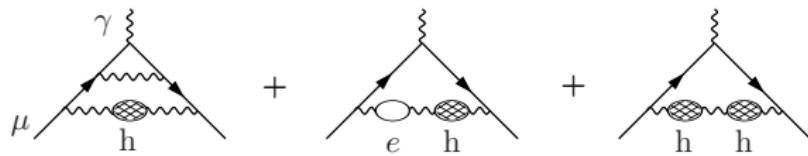
Write

$$a_\mu^{\text{had}} = a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}} + a_\mu^{\text{HO-HVP}} + a_\mu^{\text{HLbyL}} + O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^4\right)$$

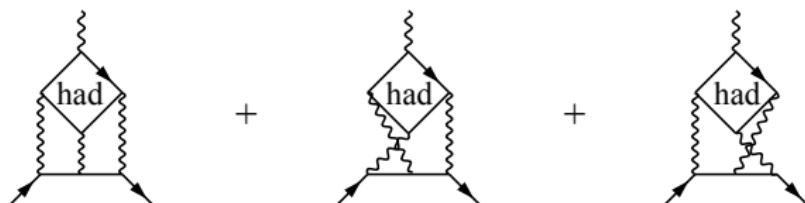
Hadronic contributions to a_μ : diagrams



$$\rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}} = O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2\right)$$

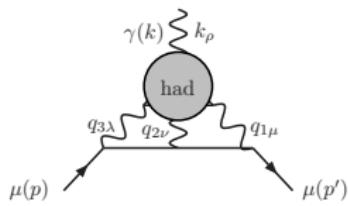


$$\rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{NLO-HVP}} = O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3\right)$$



$$\rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3\right)$$

Hadronic light-by-light

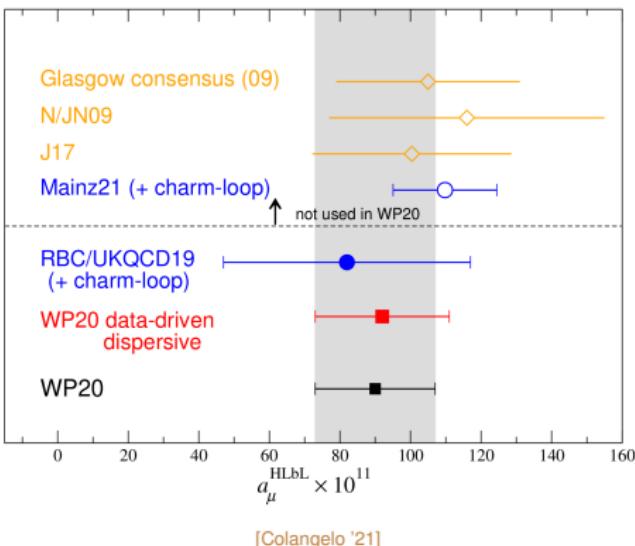


- HLbL much more complicated than HVP, but ultimate precision needed is $\simeq 10\%$ instead of $\simeq 0.2\%$
- For many years, only accessible to models of QCD w/ difficult to estimate systematics (Prades et al '09):
 $a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = 10.5(2.6) \times 10^{-10}$

- Also, lattice QCD calculations were exploratory and incomplete

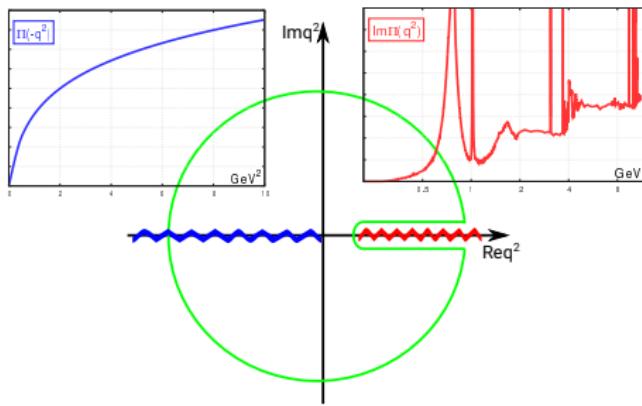
- Tremendous progress in past 5 years:

- Phenomenology: rigorous data driven approach [Colangelo, Hoferichter, Kubis, Procura, Stoffer, . . . '15-'20]
- Lattice: first two solid lattice calculations
- All agree w/ older model results but error estimate much solid and will improve
- Agreed upon average w/ NLO HLbL and conservative error estimates [WP '20]
- $a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{QED}} - a_\mu^{\text{EW}} - a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = 709.7(4.5) \times 10^{-10} \stackrel{?}{=} a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}$



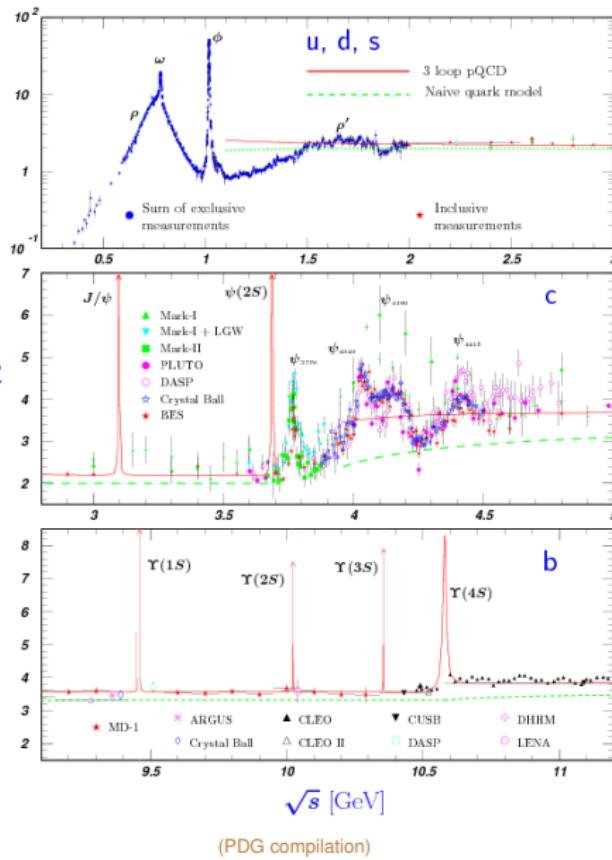
Hadronic vacuum polarization (HVP)

- $\Pi_{\mu\nu}(q) = \gamma \sim^q \text{ (hatched circle)} \sim^q \gamma = (q_\mu q_\nu - g_{\mu\nu} q^2) \Pi(q^2)$
- For $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ need $\hat{\Pi}(q^2) \equiv \Pi(q^2) - \Pi(0)$ for spacelike $q^2 = -Q^2$ and $Q^2 \in [0, \infty[$
- $\hat{\Pi}(q^2)$ is real and analytic except for cut along real, positive q^2 axis



- Can get $\hat{\Pi}(q^2)$ for spacelike q^2 from contour integral \rightarrow dispersion relation

HVP from $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{had}$ (or $\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{had}$)



Use (Bouchiat et al 61) optical theorem (unitarity)

$$\text{Im}[\text{---}] \propto |\text{---} \text{hadrons}|^2$$

$$\text{Im}\Pi(s) = -\frac{R(s)}{12\pi}, \quad R(s) \equiv \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{had})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}$$

and a once subtracted dispersion relation (analyticity)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\Pi}(Q^2) &= \int_0^\infty ds \frac{Q^2}{s(s+Q^2)} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi(s) \\ &= \frac{Q^2}{12\pi^2} \int_0^\infty ds \frac{1}{s(s+Q^2)} R(s) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$ & $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ from data: sum of exclusive $\pi^+\pi^-$ etc. channels from CMD-2&3, SND, BES, KLOE '08,'10&'12, BABAR '09, etc.

Can also use $I(J^{PC}) = 1(1^{--})$ part of $\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{had}$ and isospin symmetry + corrections

Standard model prediction and comparison to experiment

SM prediction vs experiment on April 7, 2021 (v1)

SM contribution	$a_\mu^{\text{contrib.}} \times 10^{10}$	Ref.
HVP LO (R-ratio)	692.8 ± 2.4	[KNT '19]
	693.9 ± 4.0	[DHMZ '19]
	692.3 ± 3.3	[CHHKS '19]
	693.1 ± 4.0	[WP '20]
HVP LO (lattice<2021)	711.6 ± 18.4	[WP '20]
HVP NLO	-9.83 ± 0.07	[Kurz et al '14, Jegerlehner '16, WP '20]
HVP NNLO	1.24 ± 0.01	[Kurz '14, Jeger '16]
HLbyL LO (pheno)	9.2 ± 1.9	[WP '20]
HLbyL LO (lattice<2021)	$7.8 \pm 3.1 \pm 1.8$	[RBC '19]
HLbyL LO (avg)	9.0 ± 1.7	[WP '20]
HLbyL NLO (pheno)	0.2 ± 0.1	[WP '20]
QED [5 loops]	11658471.8931 ± 0.0104	[Aoyama '19, WP '20]
EW [2 loops]	15.36 ± 0.10	[Gnendiger '15, WP '20]
HVP Tot. (R-ratio)	684.5 ± 4.0	[WP '20]
HLbL Tot.	9.2 ± 1.8	[WP '20]
SM [0.37 ppm]	11659181.0 ± 4.3	[WP '20]
Exp [0.35 ppm]	11659206.1 ± 4.1	[BNL '06 + FNAL '21]
Exp – SM	25.1 ± 5.9 [4.2 σ]	

$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{QED}} - a_\mu^{\text{EW}} - a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} - a_\mu^{\text{HVP NLO+NNLO}} = 718.2(4.5) \times 10^{-10} \stackrel{?}{=} a_\mu^{\text{HVP LO}}$$

SM prediction vs experiment on April 7, 2021 (v2)

SM contribution	$a_\mu^{\text{contrib.}} \times 10^{10}$	Ref.
HVP LO (R-ratio)	692.8 ± 2.4	[KNT '19]
	693.9 ± 4.0	[DHMZ '19]
	692.3 ± 3.3	[CHHKS '19]
	693.1 ± 4.0	[WP '20]
HVP LO (lattice)	707.5 ± 5.5	[BMWc '20]
HVP NLO	-9.83 ± 0.07	
		[Kurz et al '14, Jegerlehner '16, WP '20]
HVP NNLO	1.24 ± 0.01	[Kurz '14, Jeger. '16]
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Exp – SM	10.7 ± 7.0 [1.5 σ]	

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A brief introduction to lattice QCD

What is lattice QCD (LQCD)?

To describe matter w/ sub-% precision, QCD requires $\geq 10^4$ numbers at every spacetime point

$\rightarrow \infty$ number of numbers in our continuous spacetime

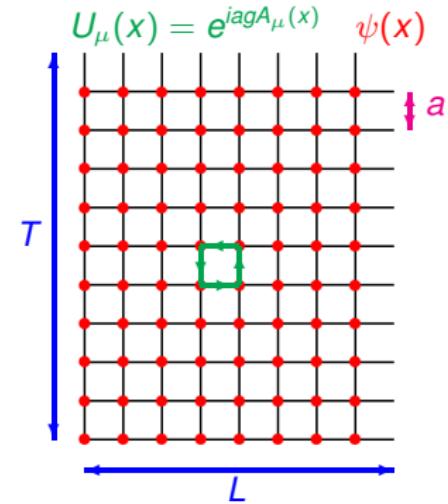
\rightarrow must temporarily “simplify” the theory to be able to calculate (*regularization*)

\Rightarrow Lattice gauge theory \rightarrow mathematically sound definition of NP QCD:

- UV (& IR) cutoff \rightarrow well defined path integral in Euclidean spacetime:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle O \rangle &= \int \mathcal{D}U \bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi e^{-S_G - \int \bar{\psi} D[M] \psi} O[U, \psi, \bar{\psi}] \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_G} \det(D[M]) O[U]_{\text{Wick}}\end{aligned}$$

- $DU e^{-S_G} \det(D[M]) \geq 0$ & finite # of dofs
 \rightarrow evaluate numerically using stochastic methods



LQCD is QCD when $m_q \rightarrow m_q^{\text{ph}}$, $a \rightarrow 0$ (after renormalization), $L \rightarrow \infty$ (and stats $\rightarrow \infty$)

HUGE conceptual and numerical ($O(10^9)$ dofs) challenge

Our “accelerators”

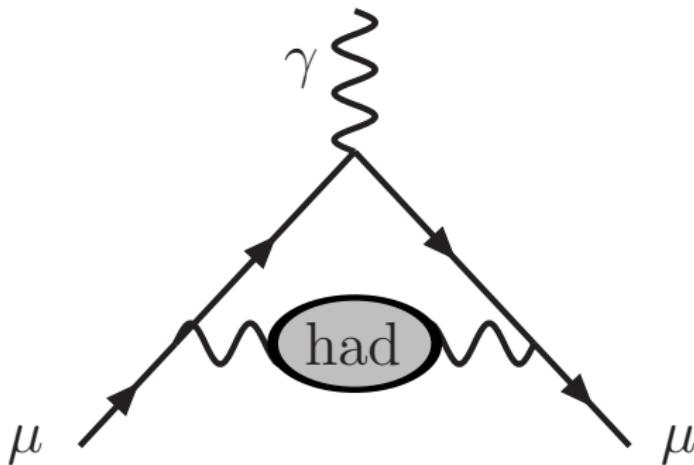
Such computations require some of the world's most powerful supercomputers



- 1 year on supercomputer
~ 100 000 years on laptop
- In Germany, those of the Forschungszentrum Jülich, the Leibniz Supercomputing Centre (Munich), and the High Performance Computing Center (Stuttgart); in France, Turing and Jean Zay at the Institute for Development and Resources in Intensive Scientific Computing (IDRIS) of the CNRS, and Joliot-Curie at the Very Large Computing Centre (TGCC) of the CEA, by way of the French Large-scale Computing Infrastructure (GENCI).

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Lattice QCD calculation of a_μ^{HVP}



All quantities related to a_μ will be given in units of 10^{-10}

HVP from LQCD: introduction

Consider in Euclidean spacetime, i.e. spacelike $q^2 = -Q^2 \leq 0$ (Blum '02)

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q) &= \text{Diagram: } \gamma^\mu \text{ (wavy line)} \rightarrow \text{Hatched circle} \leftarrow \gamma^\nu \text{ (wavy line)} \\ &= \int d^4x e^{iQ \cdot x} \langle J_\mu(x) J_\nu(0) \rangle \\ &= (Q_\mu Q_\nu - \delta_{\mu\nu} Q^2) \Pi(Q^2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{w/ } J_\mu = \frac{2}{3} \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{3} \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d - \frac{1}{3} \bar{s} \gamma_\mu s + \frac{2}{3} \bar{c} \gamma_\mu c + \dots$$

Then (Lautrup et al '69, Blum '02)

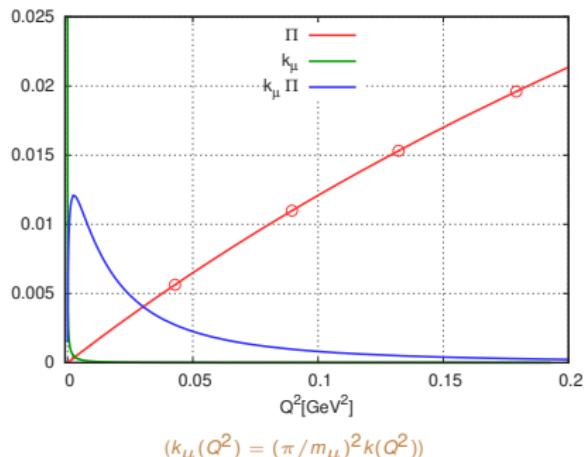
$$a_\ell^{\text{LO-HVP}} = \alpha^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dQ^2}{m_\ell^2} k(Q^2/m_\ell^2) \hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$$

w/ $\hat{\Pi}(Q^2) \equiv [\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0)]$ and

$$k(r) = \left[r + 2 - \sqrt{r(r+4)} \right]^2 / \sqrt{r(r+4)}$$

Integrand peaked for $Q \sim (m_\ell/2) \sim 50 \text{ MeV}$ for μ

However, $Q_{\min} \equiv \frac{2\pi}{T} \sim 135 \text{ MeV}$ for lattice w/
 $T = \frac{3}{2}L \sim 9 \text{ fm}$



Low- Q^2 challenges in finite volume (FV)

- A. Must subtract $\Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q=0) \neq 0$ in FV that contaminates $\Pi(Q^2) \sim \Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q)/Q^2$ for $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$ w/ very large FV effects
- B. On-shell renormalization requires $\Pi(0)$ which is problematic (see above)
- C. Need $\hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$ interpolation due to $Q_{\min} = 2\pi/T \sim 135 \text{ MeV} > \frac{m_\mu}{2} \sim 50 \text{ MeV}$ for $T \sim 9 \text{ fm}$



- Compute on $T \times L^3$ lattice in $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ QCD

$$C_{TL}^{\text{iso}}(t) = \frac{a^3}{3} \sum_{i=1}^3 \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle J_i(x) J_i(0) \rangle$$

- Decompose ($C_{TL}^{I=1} = \frac{9}{10} C_{TL}^{ud}$)

$$C_{TL}^{\text{iso}}(t) = C_{TL}^{ud}(t) + C_{TL}^s(t) + C_{TL}^c(t) + C_{TL}^{\text{disc}}(t) = C_{TL}^{I=1}(t) + C_{TL}^{I=0}(t)$$

- Define $\forall Q_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ (Bernecker et al '11, BMWc '13, Feng et al '13, Lehner '14, ...) (ad A, B, C) (see also Charles et al '17)

$$\hat{\Pi}_{TL}^f(Q^2) \equiv \Pi_{TL}^f(Q^2) - \Pi_{TL}^f(0) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1}^3 \frac{\Pi_{ii, TL}^f(0) - \Pi_{ii, TL}^f(Q)}{Q^2} - \Pi_{TL}^f(0) = a \sum_{t=0}^{T-a} \text{Re} \left[\frac{e^{iQt} - 1}{Q^2} + \frac{t^2}{2} \right] \text{Re} C_{TL}^f(t)$$

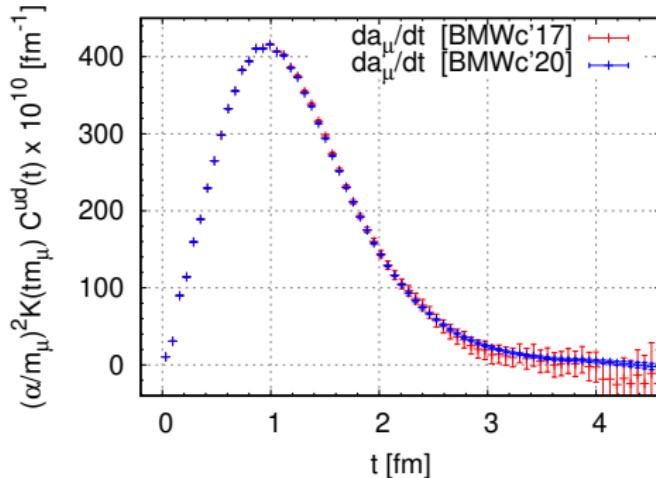
Our lattice definition of $a_{\ell,f}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$

Combining everything, get $a_{\ell,f}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ from $C_{TL}^f(t)$:

$$a_{\ell,f}^{\text{LO-HVP}}(Q^2 \leq Q_{\max}^2) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0, L \rightarrow \infty, T \rightarrow \infty} \alpha^2 \left(\frac{a}{m_\ell^2} \right) \sum_{t=0}^{T/2} K(tm_\ell, Q_{\max}^2/m_\ell^2) \operatorname{Re} C_{TL}^f(t)$$

where

$$K(\tau, r_{\max}) = \int_0^{r_{\max}} dr k(r) \left(\tau^2 - \frac{4}{r} \sin^2 \frac{\tau \sqrt{r}}{2} \right)$$



$(144 \times 96^3, a \sim 0.064 \text{ fm}, M_\pi \sim 135 \text{ MeV})$

Simulation challenges

D. $\pi\pi$ contribution very important → have physically light π

E. Two types of contributions



quark-connected (qc)



quark-disconnected (qd)

where qd contributions are $SU(3)_f$, and Zweig suppressed but very challenging

F. $\langle J_\mu^{ud}(x) J_\nu^{ud}(0) \rangle_{qc}$ & disc. have very poor signal at large $\sqrt{x^2} +$ need high-precision results

→ many algorithmic improvements + very high statistics + rigorous bounds

G. Must control $\langle J_\mu(x) J_\nu(0) \rangle$ at $\sqrt{x^2} \gtrsim 2/m_\mu$ → $L = 6.1 \div 6.6$ fm, $T = 8.6 \div 11.3$ fm

H. Need controlled continuum limit → have 6 a's: $0.134 \rightarrow 0.064$ fm

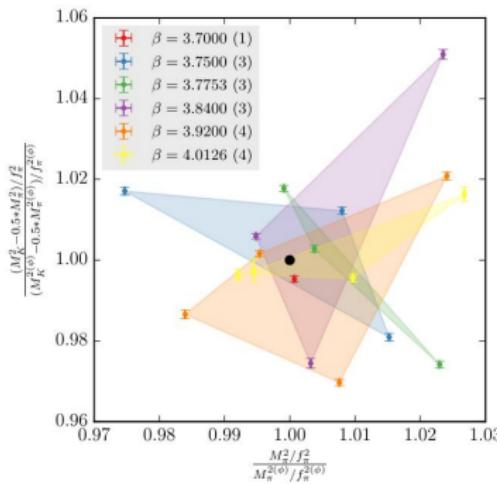
→ improve approach to continuum limit w/ phenomenological models (SRHO, SMLLGS)
w/ 2-loop $SU(2)$ $S\chi$ PT for systematic error

Simulation details: ad D - H

27 high-statistics simulations w/ $N_f=2+1+1$ flavors of 4-stout staggered quarks:

- Bracketing physical m_{ud} , m_s , m_c
- 6 a 's: $0.134 \rightarrow 0.064$ fm
- $L = 6.1 \div 6.6$ fm, $T = 8.6 \div 11.3$ fm
- Conserved EM current

β	a [fm]	$T \times L$	#conf
3.7000	0.1315	64×48	904
3.7500	0.1191	96×56	2072
3.7753	0.1116	84×56	1907
3.8400	0.0952	96×64	3139
3.9200	0.0787	128×80	4296
4.0126	0.0640	144×96	6980



For sea-quark QED corrections

β	a [fm]	$T \times L$	#conf
3.7000	0.1315	24×48	716
		48×64	300
3.7753	0.1116	28×56	887
3.8400	0.0952	32×64	4253

- State-of-the-art techniques:

- EigCG
- Low mode averaging [Neff et al '01, Giusti et al '04, ...]
- All mode averaging [Blum et al '13]
- Solver truncation [Bali et al '09]

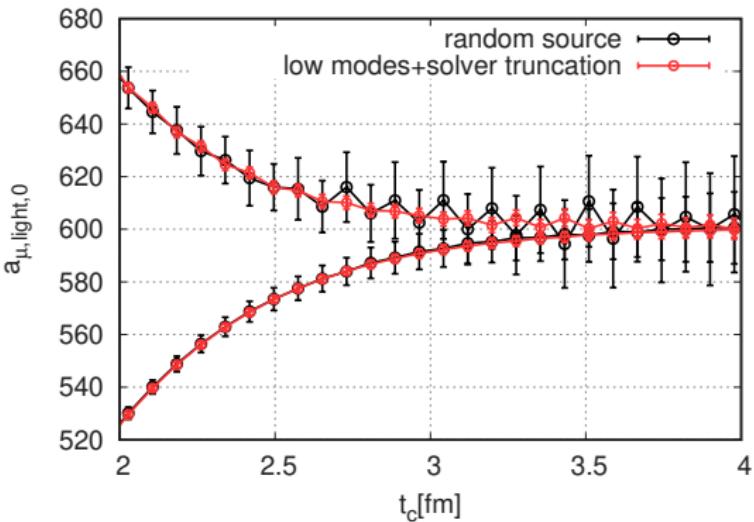
- ⇒ Nearly 20,000 gauge configurations
⇒ 10's of millions of measurements

Noise reduction: ad F-G

N/S in $C_L^{ud}(t)$ grows like $e^{(M_\rho - M_\pi)t}$

- LMA: use exact (all-to-all) quark propagators in IR and stochastic in UV [Giusti et al '04]
- Decrease noise by replacing $C_L^{ud}(t)$ by average of rigorous upper/lower bounds above $t_c = 4 \text{ fm}$ [Lehner '16, BMWc '17]

$$0 \leq C_L^{ud}(t) \leq C_L^{ud}(t_c) e^{-E_{2\pi}(t-t_c)}$$



$\Rightarrow \times 5$ in precision: few pefil accuracy on each ensemble

More challenges

- I. Need $\hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$ for $Q^2 \in [0, +\infty[$, but $\frac{\pi}{a} \sim 9.7 \text{ GeV}$ for $a \sim 0.064 \text{ fm}$

→ match onto perturbation theory

$$a_{\ell,f}^{\text{LO-HVP}} = a_{\ell,f}^{\text{LO-HVP}}(Q \leq Q_{\max}) + \gamma_\ell(Q_{\max}) \hat{\Pi}^f(Q_{\max}^2) + \Delta^{\text{pert}} a_{\ell,f}^{\text{LO-HVP}}(Q > Q_{\max})$$

using $O(\alpha_s^4)$ results from `rhad` package [Harlander et al '03]

- J. Include c quark for higher precision and good matching onto perturbation theory → done

- K. Even in our large volumes w/ $L \gtrsim 6.1 \text{ fm}$ & $T \geq 8.7 \text{ fm}$, finite-volume (FV) effects can be significant

→ 1-loop $SU(2)$ χ PT [Aubin et al '16] suggests 2% even in our large volumes

→ perform dedicated FV study w/ even larger volumes ($\sim 11 \text{ fm}$)⁴

→ check and supplement w/ 2-loop χ PT [Bijnens et al '99, BMWc '20], ρ - π - γ EFT (RHO) [Sakurai '60, Jegerlehner et al '11, Chakraborty et al '17], Gounaris-Sakurai inspired model (MLLGS) [GS '68, Lellouch & Lüscher '01, Meyer '11, Francis et al '13], Hansen-Patella (HP) [Hansen et al '19, '29]

- L. Our $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ calculation has $m_u = m_d$ and $\alpha = 0$

⇒ missing effects compared to HVP from dispersion relations that are relevant at permil-level precision

→ perform lattice calculation of ALL $O(\alpha)$ and $O(\delta m = m_d - m_u)$ effects

Yet more challenges

M. Need permil determination of QCD scale in our simulations

⇒ 2‰ calculation of Ω^- baryon mass

⇒ Calculate and use Wilson-flow scale [Lüscher '10, BMWc '12] $w_0 = 0.17236(29)(66)$ for defining isospin limit

N. Need thorough and robust determination of **statistical** and **systematic** errors

- Stat. err.: resampling methods
- Syst. err.: extended frequentist approach [BMWc '08, '14]
 - Hundreds of thousands of different analyses of correlation functions
 - Each one is weighted by AIC weight

$$\text{AIC} \sim \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\chi^2 + 2n_{\text{par}} - n_{\text{data}}) \right]$$

- Simplify w/ importance sampling
- Use median of distribution for central values
- Use 16 ÷ 84% confidence interval to get total error

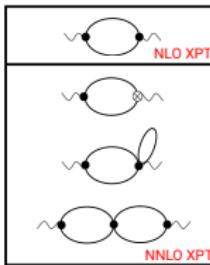
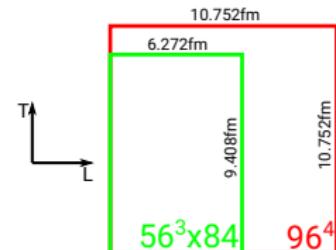
(Nature paper has 95 pp. Supplementary information detailing methods)

Finite-volume corrections: ad K

Early estimate of these e^{-LM_π} effects [Aubin et al '16]: 2% on $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ in our $L = 6$ simulations

→ Perform dedicated lattice study

- 4 very-high statistics $N_f = 2 + 1$, super-smeared (4HEX) simulations
- Tuned so that staggered M_π^{HMS} brackets physical M_π
- L up to 11 fm ($a \simeq 0.112$ fm)!



→ Check w/ EFTs and models: dominated by long-distance $\pi\pi$ effects

- NNLO (2-loop) χ PT [Bijnens '99, Aubin et al '19, BMWc '20]
- Lellouch-Lüscher formalism w/ Gounaris-Sakurai model (LLGS) [Lellouch & Lüscher '01, Meyer '11, Francis '13, Giusti et al '18, BMWc '20]
- QFT relation to Compton scattering (HP) [Hansen et al '19-'20]
- ρ - π - γ EFT (RHO) [Sakurai '60, Jegerlehner & Szafron '11, HPQCD '17]

$[\times 10^{-10}]$	lattice	NLO	NNLO	MLLGs	HP	RHO
$a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}(\text{big}) - a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}(\text{ref})$	18.1(2.0)(1.4)	11.6	15.7	17.8	16.7	15.2

Model validation $\Rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}(\infty) - a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}(\text{big}) = 0.6(3) \times 10^{-10}$ from NLO & NNLO χ PT

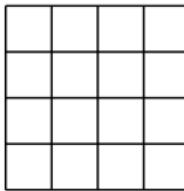
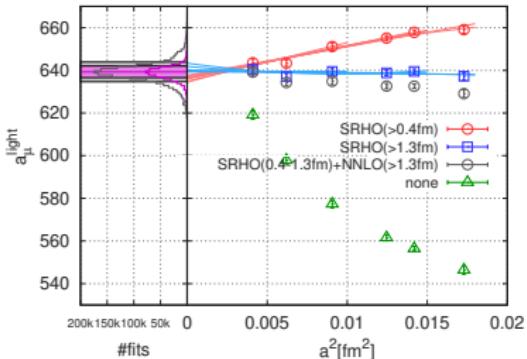
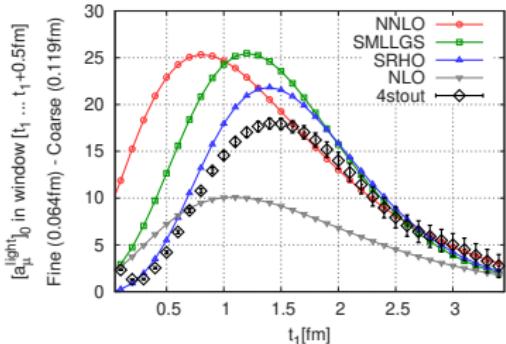
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Continuum extrapolation: ad H

Long-distance discretization effects in $a_{\mu,ud}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ due to taste violations in $\pi\pi$ states [HPQCD '17]

Correct w/ SMLLGS [BMWc '20] or SRHO [HPQCD '17]

- Parameters fixed w/ experiment
- Reproduces observed discretization effects well
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- 6 a's \rightarrow full control over continuum limit

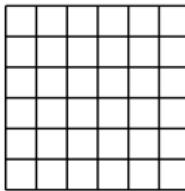
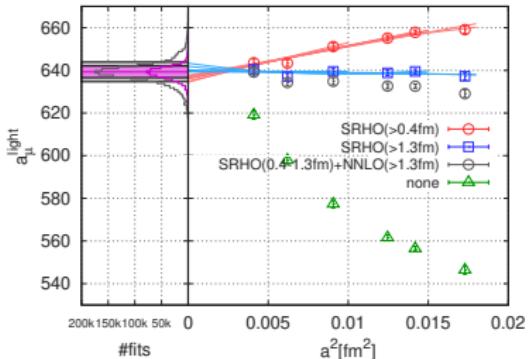
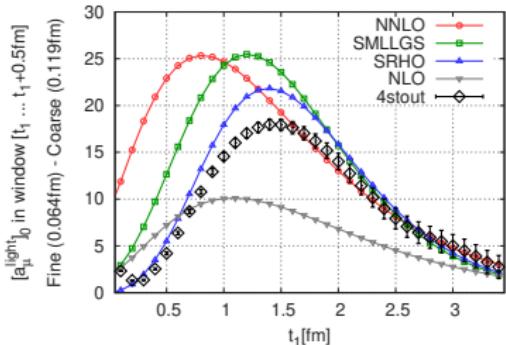


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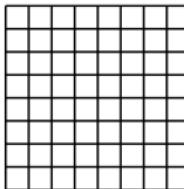
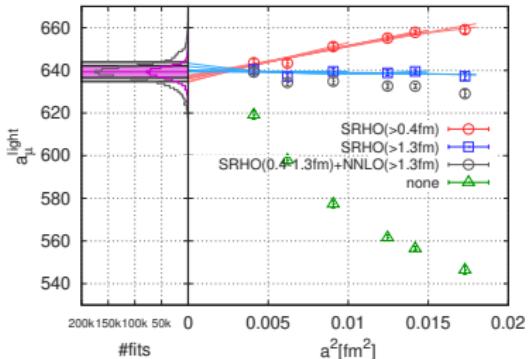
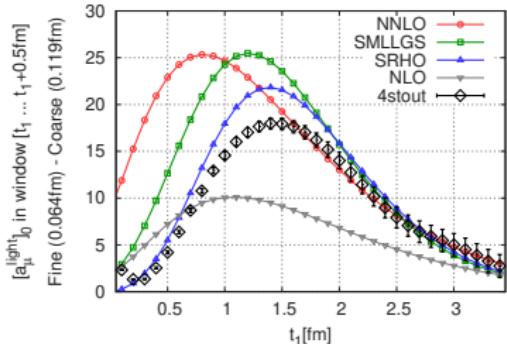


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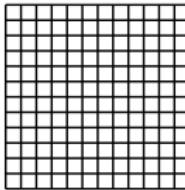
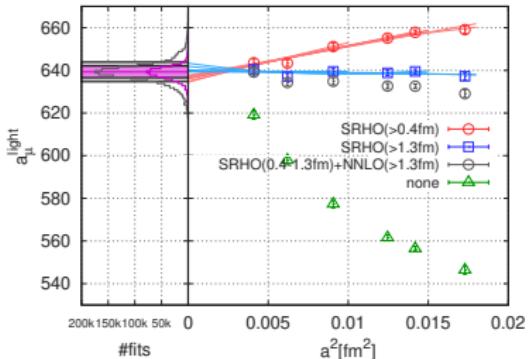
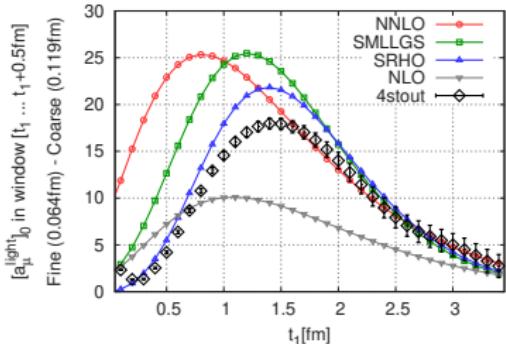


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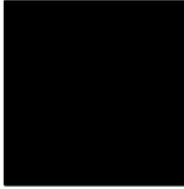
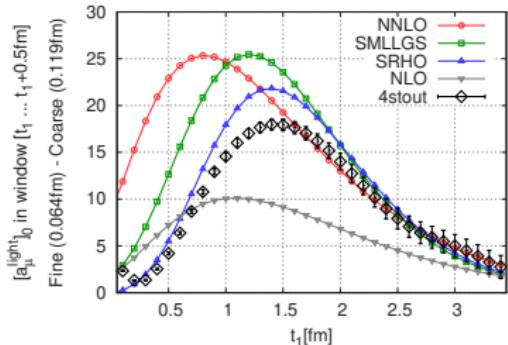
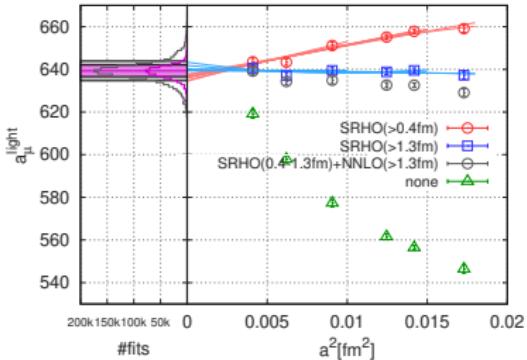


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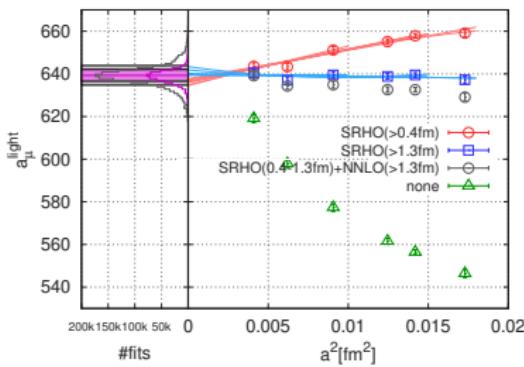
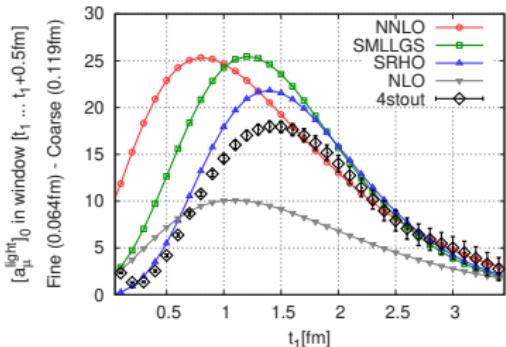


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- Allow different improvements in different time windows
- Improves approach to continuum limit \Rightarrow reduced uncertainties
- Does NOT modify this limit \Rightarrow NO model dependence of result
- Systematics:
 - cuts on a ;
 - SRHO vs SLLGS + NNLO $S\chi$ PT;
 - different window boundaries

Including isospin breaking on the lattice: ad I

$$S_{\text{QCD+QED}} = S_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{iso}} + \frac{1}{2} \delta m \int (\bar{d}d - \bar{u}u) + ie \int A_\mu j_\mu, \quad j_\mu = \bar{q} Q \gamma_\mu q, \quad \delta m = m_d - m_u$$

- Separation into isospin limit results and corrections requires an unambiguous definition of this limit (scheme and scale)
- Must be included not only in calculation of $\langle j_\mu j_\nu \rangle$ correlator **BUT ALSO** of all quantities used to fix quark masses and QCD scale

(1) operator insertion method [RM123 '12, '13, ...]

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\text{QCD+QED}} &= \langle \mathcal{O}_{\text{Wick}} \rangle_{G_\mu}^{\text{iso}} - \frac{\delta m}{2} \langle [\mathcal{O} \int (\bar{d}d - \bar{u}u)]_{\text{Wick}} \rangle_{G_\mu}^{\text{iso}} - \frac{e^2}{2} \langle [\mathcal{O} \int_{xy} j_\mu(x) D_{\mu\nu}(x-y) j_\nu(y)]_{\text{Wick}} \rangle_{G_\mu}^{\text{iso}} \\ &\quad + e^2 \langle \langle \left[\mathcal{O} \partial_e \frac{\det D[G_\mu, eA_\mu]}{\det D[G_\mu, 0]} \Big|_{e=0} \int_x j_\mu(x) A_\mu(x) - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{O} \partial_e^2 \frac{\det D[G_\mu, eA_\mu]}{\det D[G_\mu, 0]} \Big|_{e=0} \right]_{\text{Wick}} \rangle_{A_\mu} \rangle_{G_\mu}^{\text{iso}} \end{aligned}$$

(2) direct method [Eichten et al '97, BMWc '14, ...]

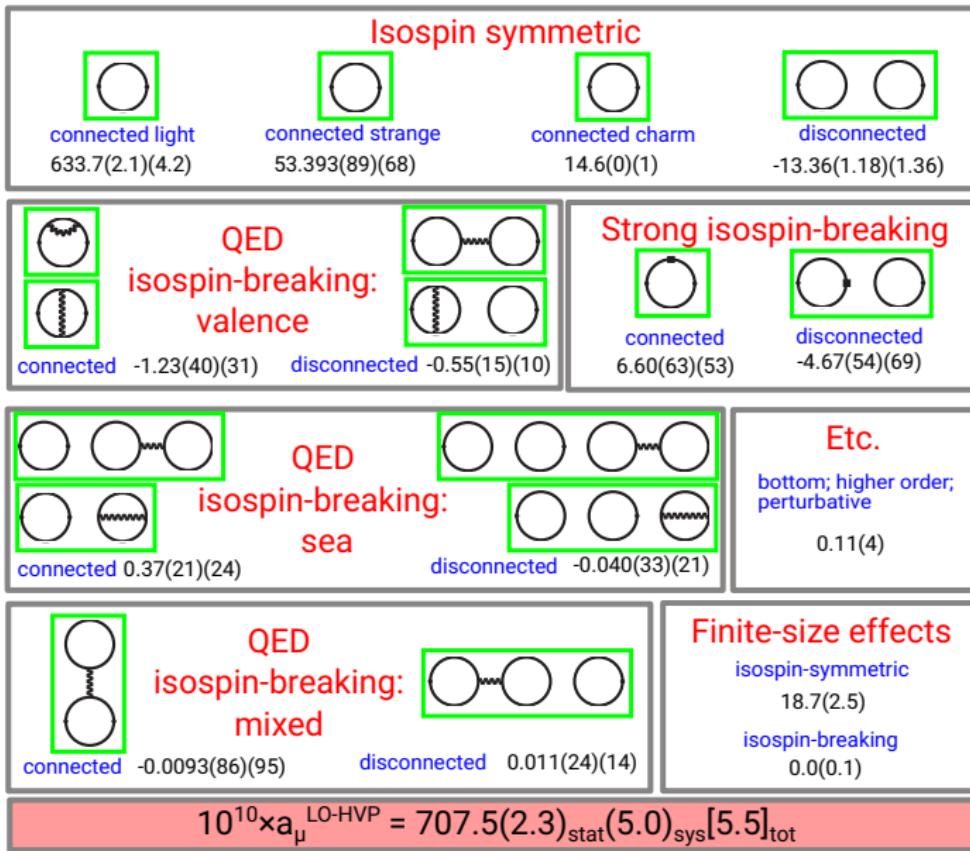
Include $m_u \neq m_d$ and QED directly in calculation of observables and generation of gauge configurations

(3) combinations of (1) & (2) [BMWc '20]

We include ALL $O(e^2)$ and $O(\delta m)$ effects

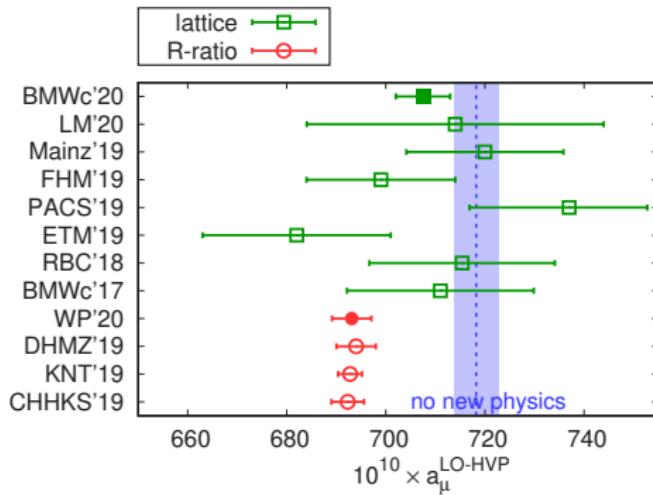
For valence e^2 effects use easier (2), and for δm and e^2 sea effects, (1)

Summary of contributions to $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$



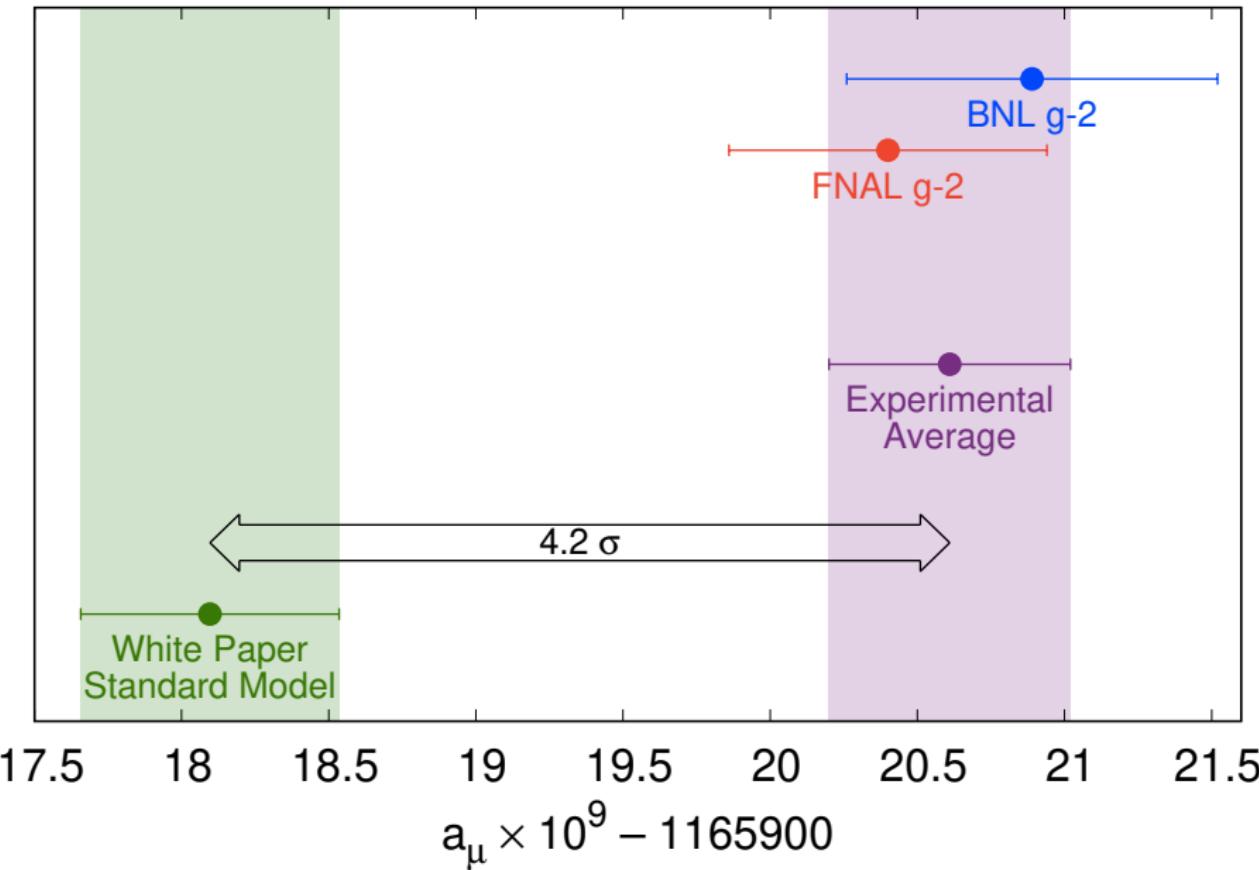
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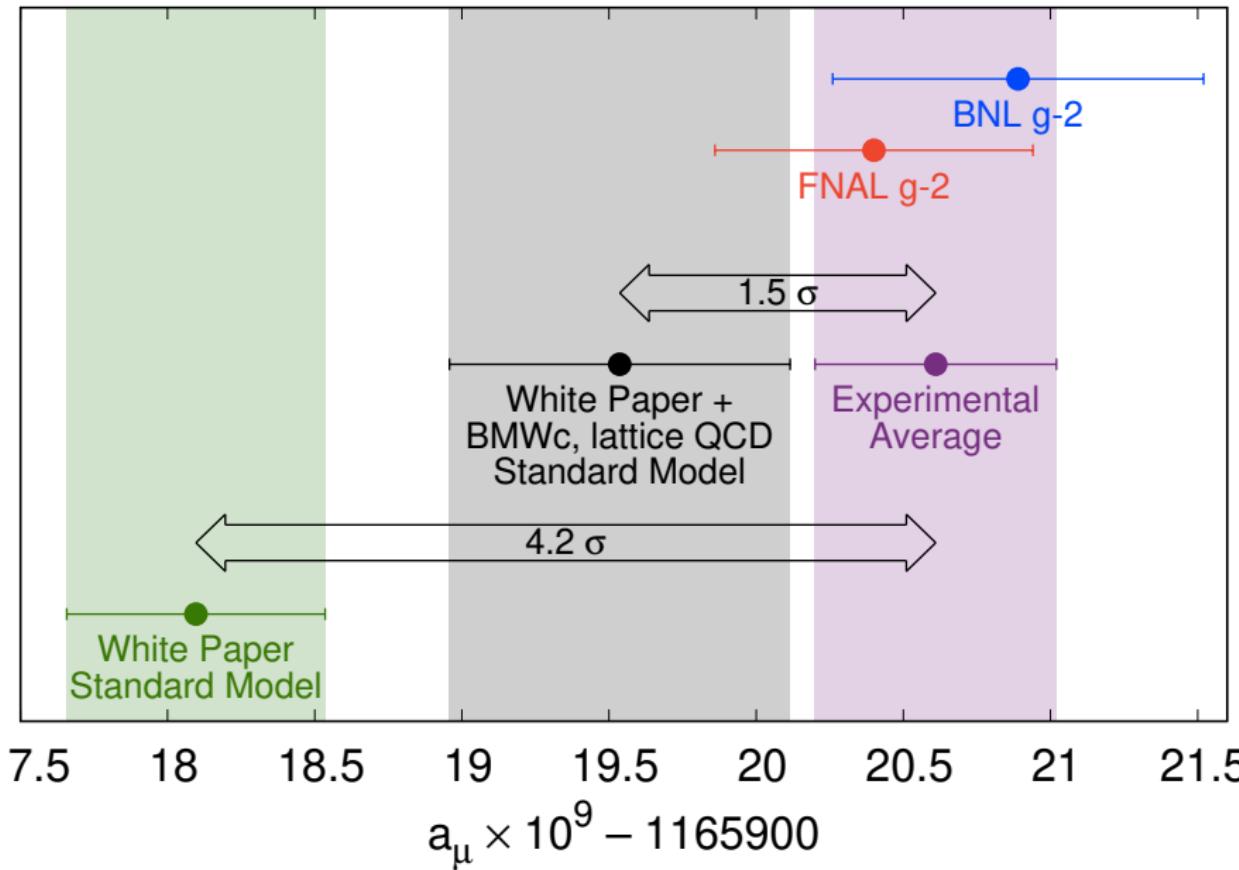
Comparison



- Consistent with other lattice results
- Total uncertainty is $\sim \div 3 \dots$
- ... and comparable to R-ratio and experiment
- Consistent w/ experiment @ 1.5σ ("no new physics" scenario) !
- 2.1σ larger than R-ratio average value [WP '20]

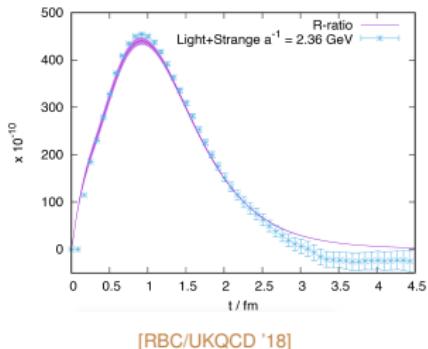
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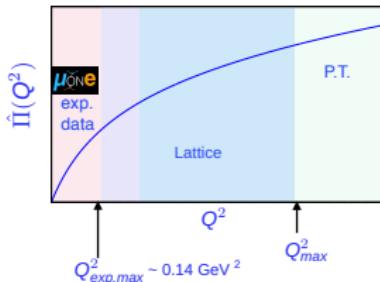


What next?

- FNAL E989 to reduce error by factor of 2.5 in coming years
- HLB-L error must be reduced by factor of 2
- Must reduce ours by factor of 4 !
- Will experiment still agree with our prediction ?
- Must be confirmed by other lattice groups
- If confirmed, must understand why lattice doesn't agree with R-ratio
- If disagreement can be fixed, combine LQCD and phenomenology to improve overall uncertainty [RBC/UKQCD '18]
- Important to pursue $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ measurements [CMD-3, Belle III, ...]
- $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$ experiment MUonE very important for experimental crosscheck and complementarity w/ LQCD
- Important to build J-PARC $g_\mu - 2$ and pursue a_e experiments



[RBC/UKQCD '18]



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BACKUP

Do our results imply NP @ EW scale?

- Passera et al '08: first exploration of connection $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}} \leftrightarrow \Delta_{\text{had}}^{(5)} \alpha(M_Z^2)$
- Crivellin et al '20, most aggressive scenario (see also Keshavarzi et al '20): our results suggest a 4.2σ overshoot in $\Delta_{\text{had}}^{(5)} \alpha(M_Z^2)$ compared to result of fit to EWPO
- Assume same 2.8% relative deviation in R-ratio as we found in $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$
- Hypothesis is not consistent w/ BMWc '17 nor new result

