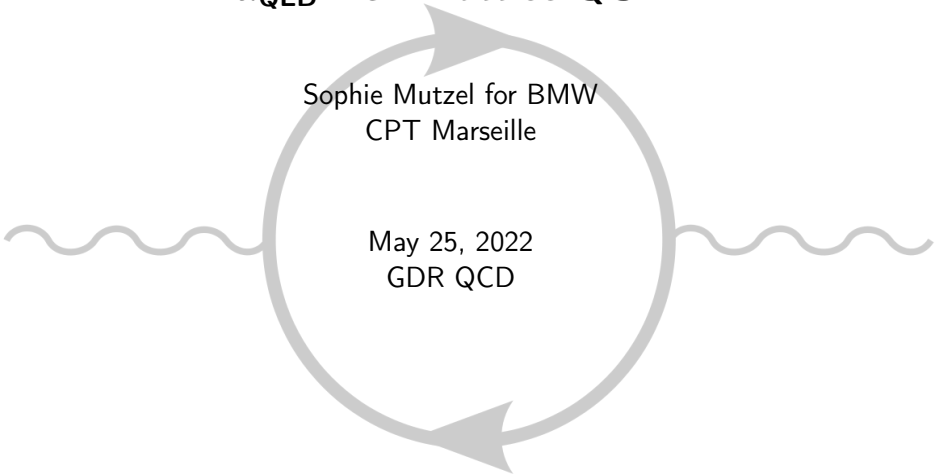


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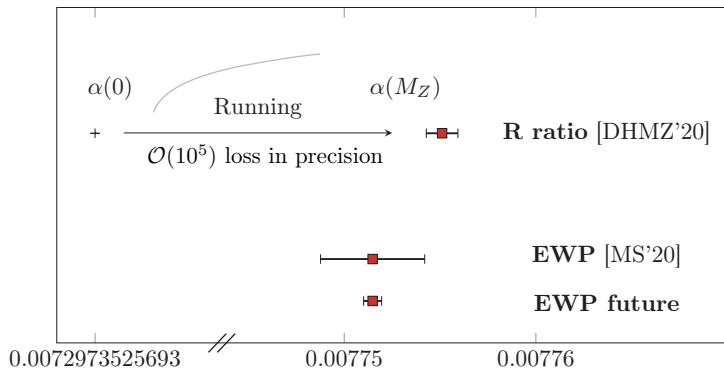


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# Introduction

$\alpha(M_Z)$  input parameter for electroweak precision tests



$\delta\alpha(M_Z)/\alpha(M_Z)$

current precision       $\sim 10^{-4}$

precision needed for future colliders       $\sim 5 \times 10^{-5}$

$\alpha(M_Z)$  one of the least well determined SM input parameters

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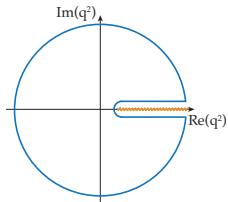
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Largest uncertainty comes from non-perturbative effects in hadronic contribution in **low energy region**

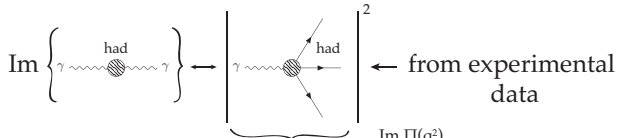
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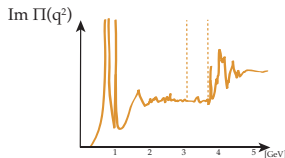


$$\hat{\Pi}(q^2) = \frac{q^2}{\pi} \int_{s_{thr}}^{\infty} ds \frac{\text{Im} \Pi(s)}{s(q^2 - s)}$$

Obtain  $\text{Im} \Pi(s)$  from  $\sigma(\gamma \rightarrow \text{had})$  via optical theorem (**unitarity**)



$$R(s) = \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}$$



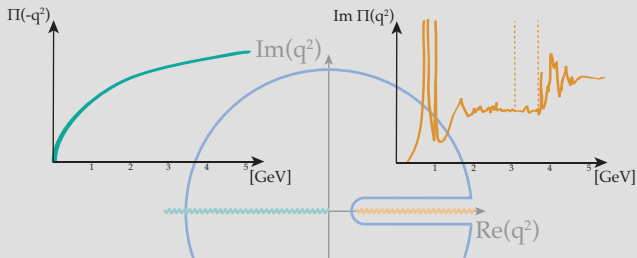
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Complementary to data driven approach



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$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2) = \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-Q_0^2)_{\text{LQCD}} + \left[ \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-Q_0^2) \right]_{\text{pQCD/R-ratio}} + \left[ \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2) \right]_{\text{pQCD}}$$

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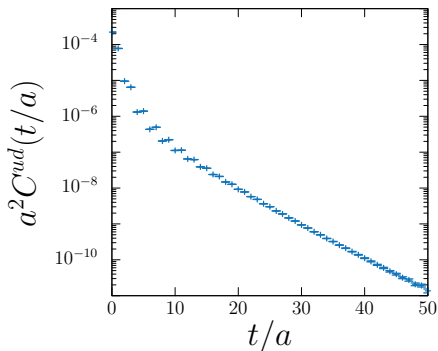
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- Define  $\forall Q \in \mathbb{R}$  [Bernecker et al '11]

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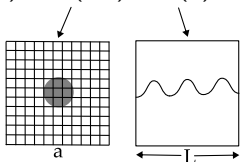
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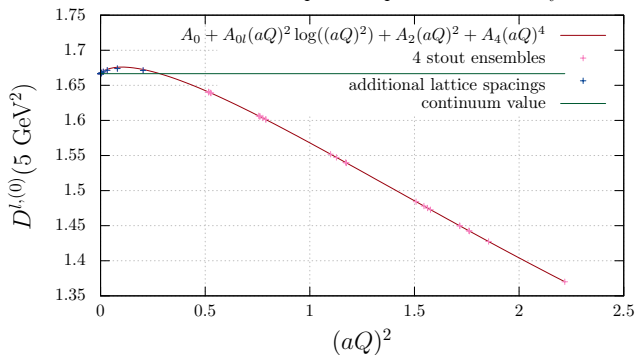
$$\text{Adler function } D(Q^2) \equiv 12\pi^2 Q^2 \frac{d\hat{\Pi}(Q^2)}{dQ^2} = 24\pi^2 a \sum_t \underbrace{\left[ -\frac{t \sin(Qt)}{2Q} - \frac{\cos(Qt) - 1}{Q^2} \right]}_{k(t, Q^2)} C(t)$$

# Discretization errors: Simulations vs PT

$D(Q^2)$  receives **logarithmically enhanced**  $\mathcal{O}(a^2)$  artefacts at leading order [Cè et al '21]

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Numerical 1-loop lattice perturbation theory

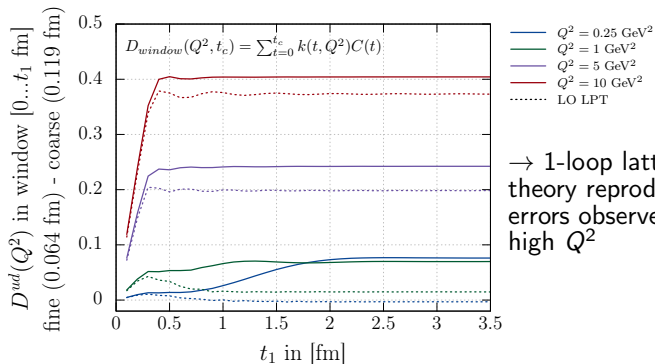


Confirms leading coefficient of  $\ln((aQ)^2)$  that we computed analytically in lattice perturbation theory:  $A_{l0} = -n_c q_f^2 / 30$

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→ 1-loop lattice perturbation theory reproduces well discretization errors observed in simulations at high  $Q^2$


⇒ reduce discretization errors of simulation results via  
 $D(Q^2, a) \rightarrow D(Q^2, a) + D^{(0)}(Q^2, 0) - D^{(0)}(Q^2, a)$


# Isospin breaking effects


- Include  $e^2$  effects and  $\delta m = m_d - m_u$  difference by expanding on isospin symmetric configurations [DeDivitiis et al. '13], distinguish between **sea** and **valence** charges


$$\langle O \rangle \simeq \frac{\int [dU][dA] e^{-S[U,A]} \text{dets}_0 \left( 1 + e_s \frac{\text{dets}'_1}{\text{dets}_0} + e_s^2 \frac{\text{dets}''_2}{\text{dets}_0} \right) \left( O_0 + \frac{\delta m}{m_l} O'_m + e_v O'_1 + e_v^2 O''_2 \right)}{\int [dU] e^{-S_g[U]} \int [dA] e^{-S_\gamma[A]} \text{dets}_0 \left( 1 + e_s \frac{\text{dets}'_1}{\text{dets}_0} + e_s^2 \frac{\text{dets}''_2}{\text{dets}_0} \right)}$$

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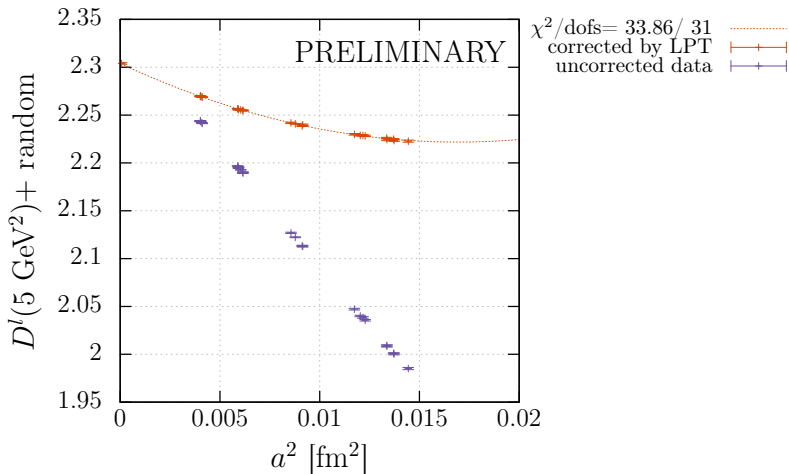
$$+ \left\langle [O_0 - \langle O_0 \rangle_0] \frac{\text{dets}''_2}{\text{dets}_0} \right\rangle_0$$


where  $\text{dets}[U, A; \{m_f\}, \{q_f\}, e] = \prod_f \det M_f [V_U e^{ieq_f A}, m_f]^{1/4}$  (M fermionic matrix),

$O_0 = O|_{(0,0)}$ ,  $O'_m = m_l \partial_{\delta m} O|_{(0,0)}$ ,  $O'_1 = \partial_{e_v} O|_{(0,0)}$  and  $O''_2 = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{e_v}^2 O|_{(0,0)}$

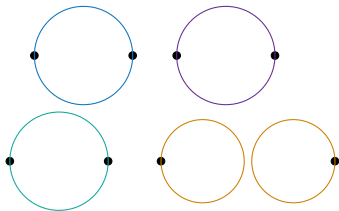
# $D^l(5 \text{ GeV}^2)$ : Preliminary global fit

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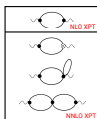
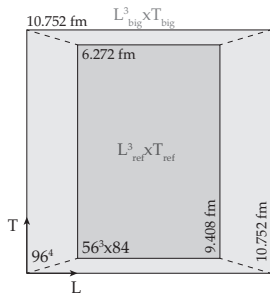
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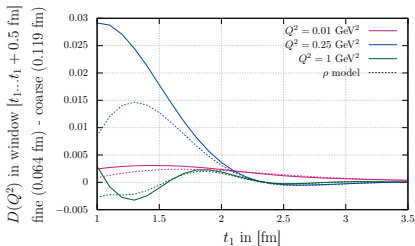


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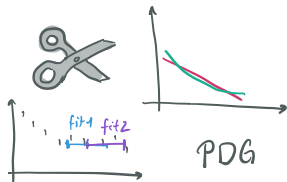
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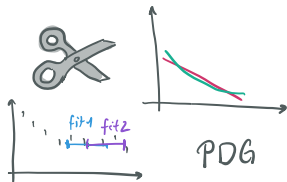
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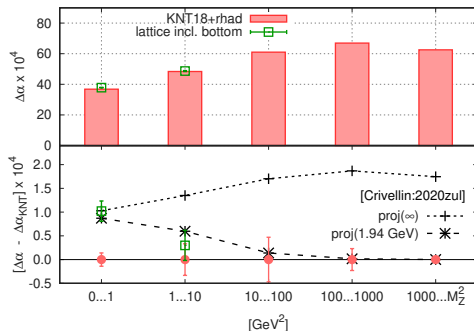
Particularly interesting in light of  $a_\mu$  [BMWc '20], low energy running of  $\alpha$  might be enhanced as seen in [Mainz '22]

**Exciting times for the lattice! Stay tuned for results on  $\alpha_{\text{QED}}(M_Z)$ !**

Backup

# Connection to $a_\mu$ ?

- first exploration of connection  $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}} \leftrightarrow \Delta_{\text{had}}^{(5)} \alpha(M_Z^2)$  [Passera et al '08]
- most aggressive scenario (see also [Keshavarzi et al '20]): [Crivellin et al '20] BMW results suggest a  $4.2\sigma$  overshoot in  $\Delta_{\text{had}}^{(5)} \alpha(M_Z^2)$  compared to result of fit to EWPO
- They assume 2.8% relative deviation in R-ratio for all  $s$  ( $\sim$  excess BMW found in  $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ )
- Hypothesis is not consistent with [BMWc '17] nor new result



- values of  $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$  even as large as needed to explain  $a_\mu^{\text{exp}}$  do not necessarily imply  $\Delta_{\text{had}}^{(5)} \alpha(M_Z^2)$  in conflict with EWPO [Malaescu et al '20, de Rafael '20 & Colangelo et al '20]

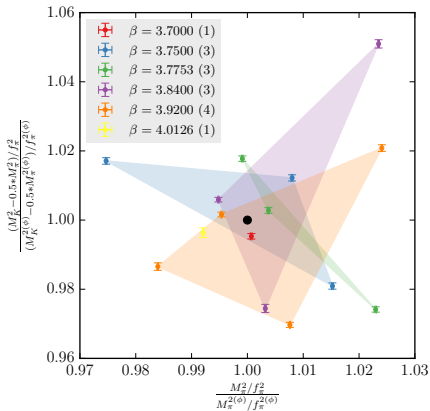
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6  $a$ 's: 0.134  $\rightarrow$  0.064 fm

$\beta$	$a$ [fm]	$T \times L$	#conf
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3.7753	0.1116	84 $\times$ 56	1907
3.8400	0.0952	96 $\times$ 64	3139
3.9200	0.0787	128 $\times$ 80	4296
4.0126	0.0640	144 $\times$ 96	6980



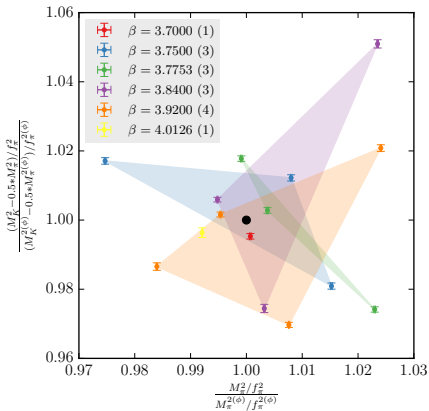
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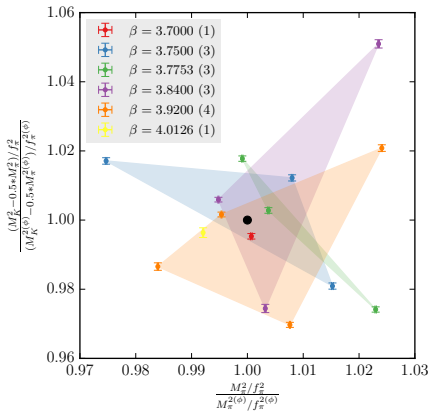
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