

# Muon(ium) g-2

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# Muon magnetic moment

Muons (even resting ones) possess a magnetic moment sourced by their spin angular momentum

$$\vec{\mu}_\mu = g_\mu \left( \frac{Q_\mu}{2m_\mu} \right) \vec{S}_\mu$$

electric charge

Landé g-factor

mass

For elementary particles  
Dirac equation predicts  
 $g = 2$

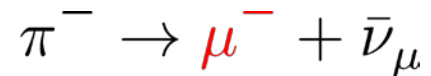
Yet vacuum fluctuations induce a (small) correction

$$g_\mu = 2(1 + a_\mu)$$

magnetic moment 'anomaly'

# Measuring anomalous magnetic moments

Polarized muon from P-violating weak pion decay

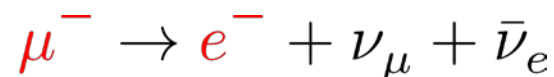


Spin precession around momentum in B field [Thomas 1927]

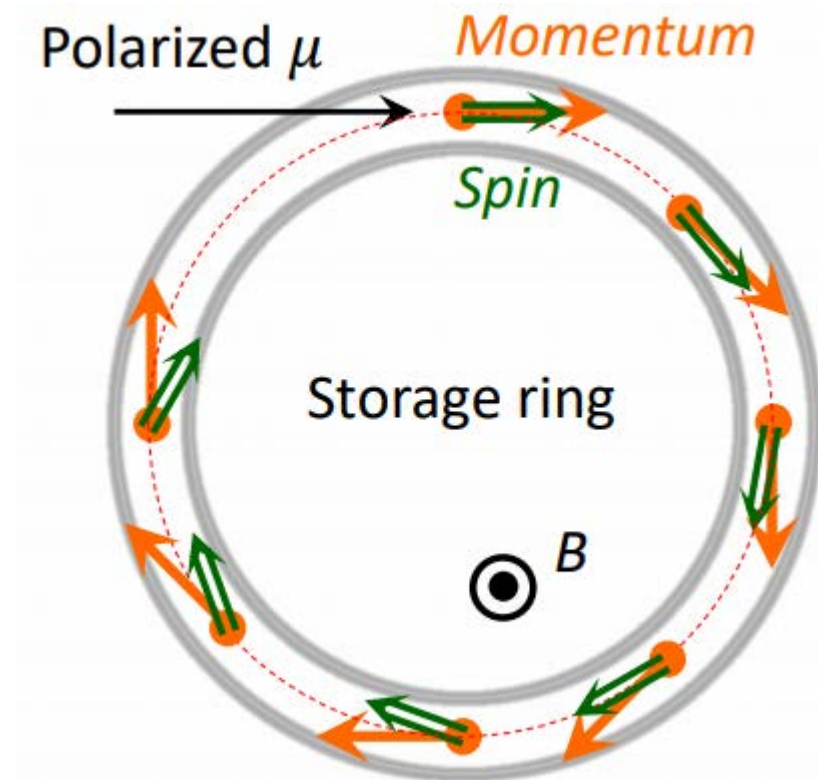
$$\vec{\omega}_a = \frac{Q_\mu}{m_\mu} \left[ a_\mu \vec{B} - \left( a_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma_m - 1} \right) \vec{\beta} \times \vec{E} \right]$$

$$\simeq \frac{Q_\mu}{m_\mu} a_\mu \vec{B} \quad \text{« magic » momentum} \quad p_\mu \approx 3.09 \text{ GeV}$$

Electron from P-violating muon decay is a spin-analyzer



boosted electron flies opposite to the direction of muon spin

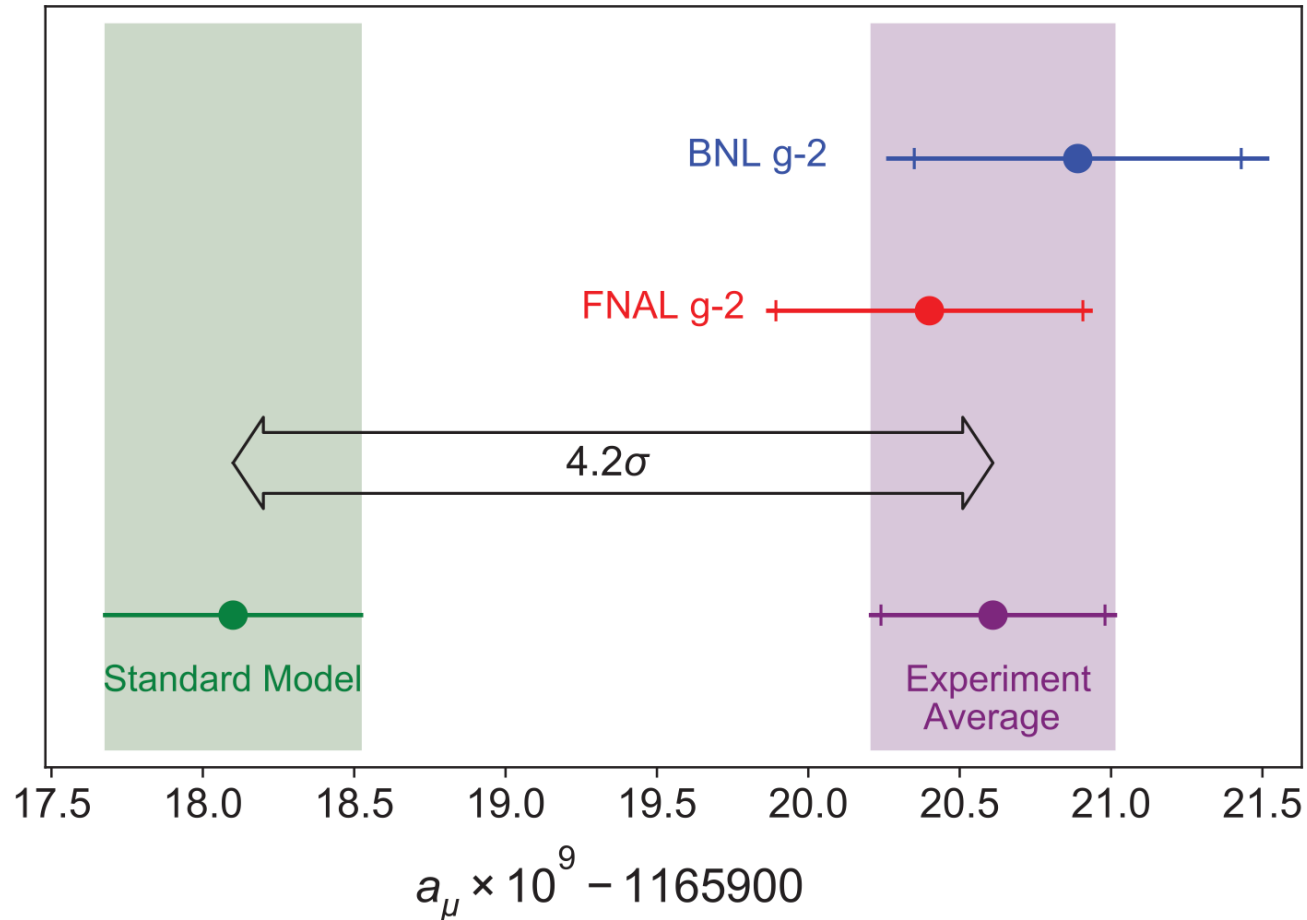


[Charpak+ 1962 → Bailey+ 1978] CERN

[Bennett+ 2006] BNL

[Abi+ 2021] FNAL 3

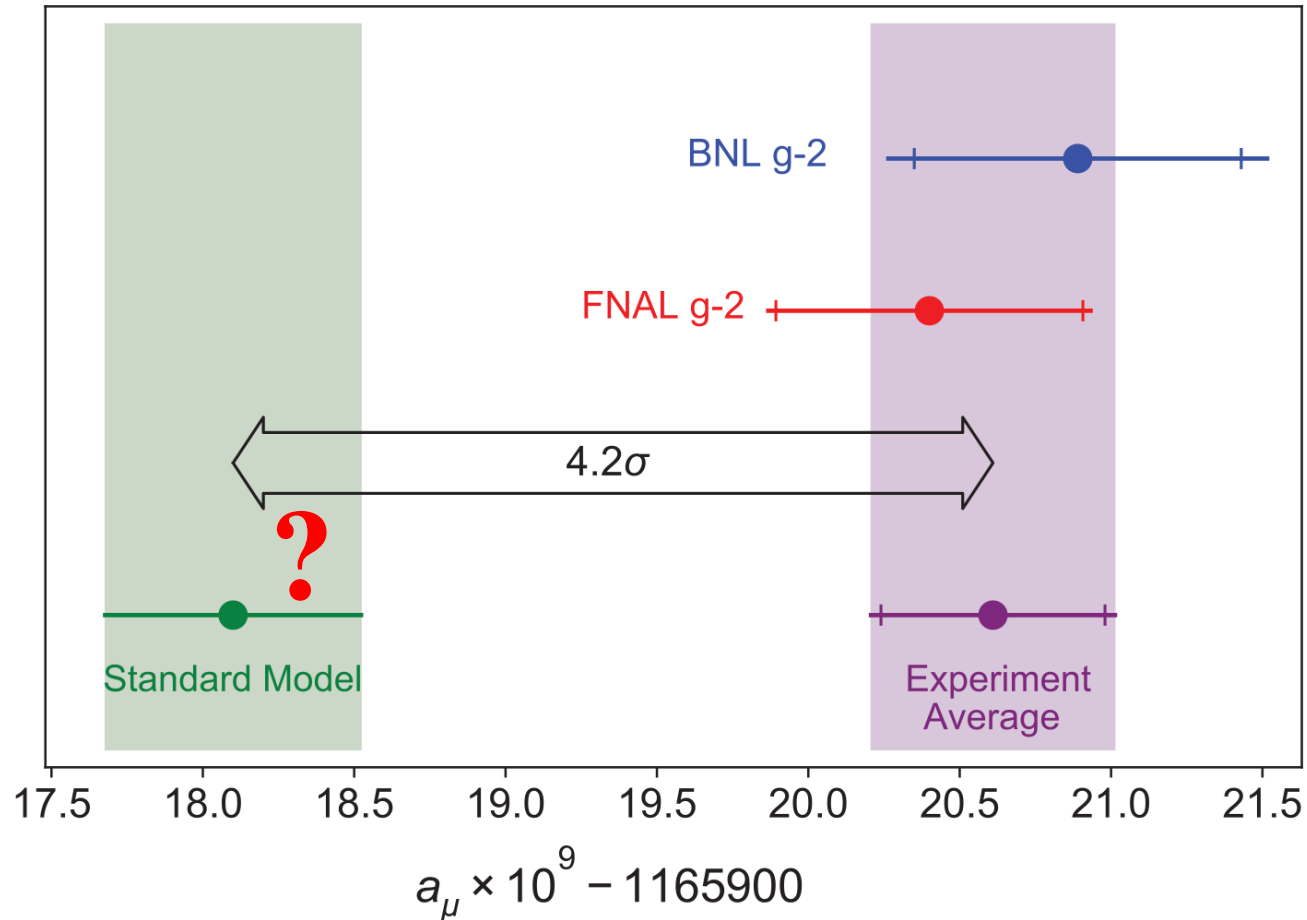
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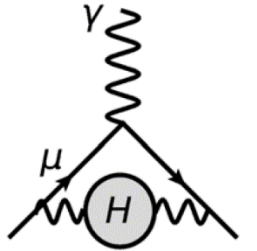
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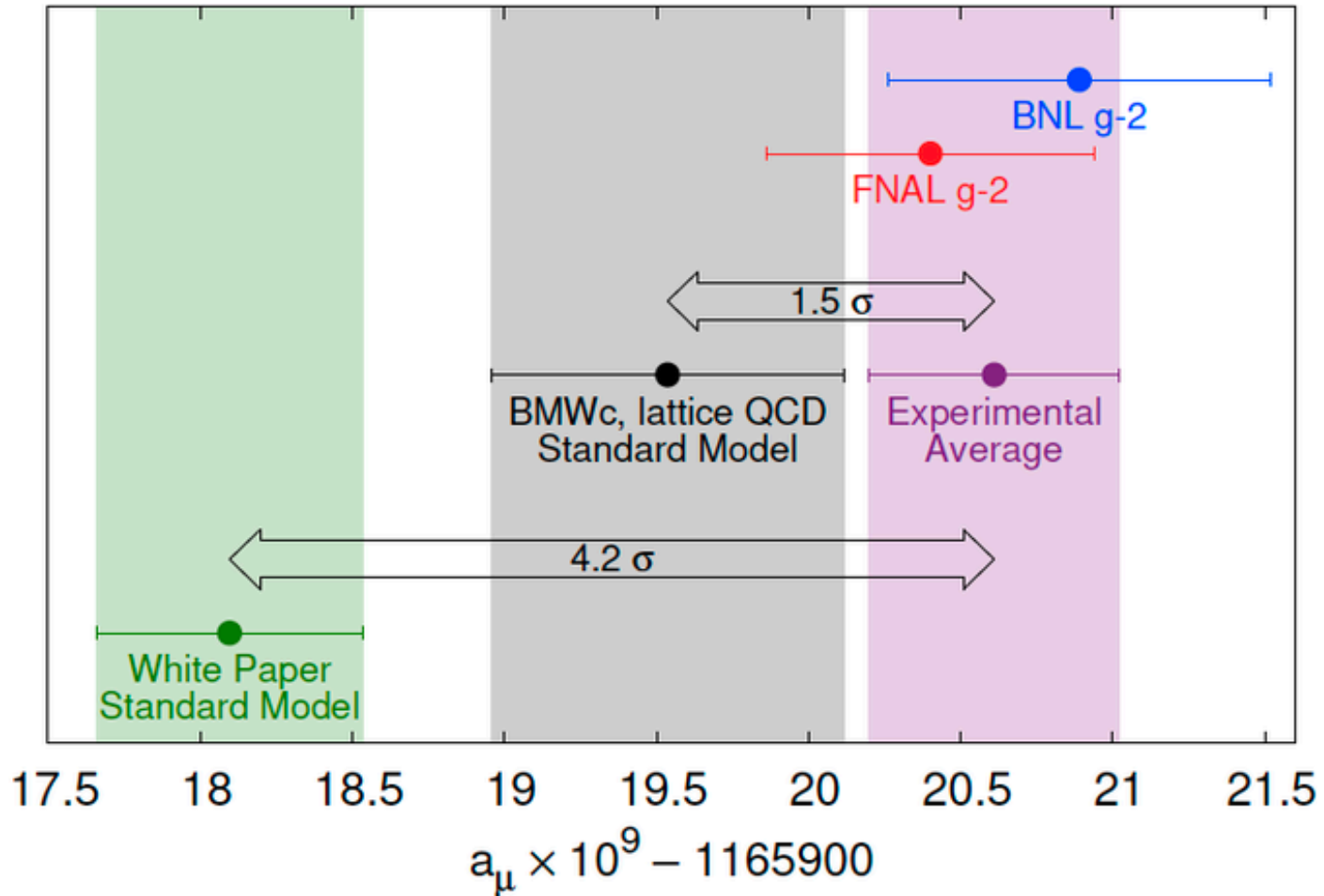
[Bouchiat-Michel 1961]

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP-LO}} = \frac{\alpha^2}{3\pi^2} \int_{m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{K(s)}{s} R(s)$$

$$R(s) = \frac{3s}{4\pi\alpha^2} \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})$$

$\pi\pi \sim 70\%$

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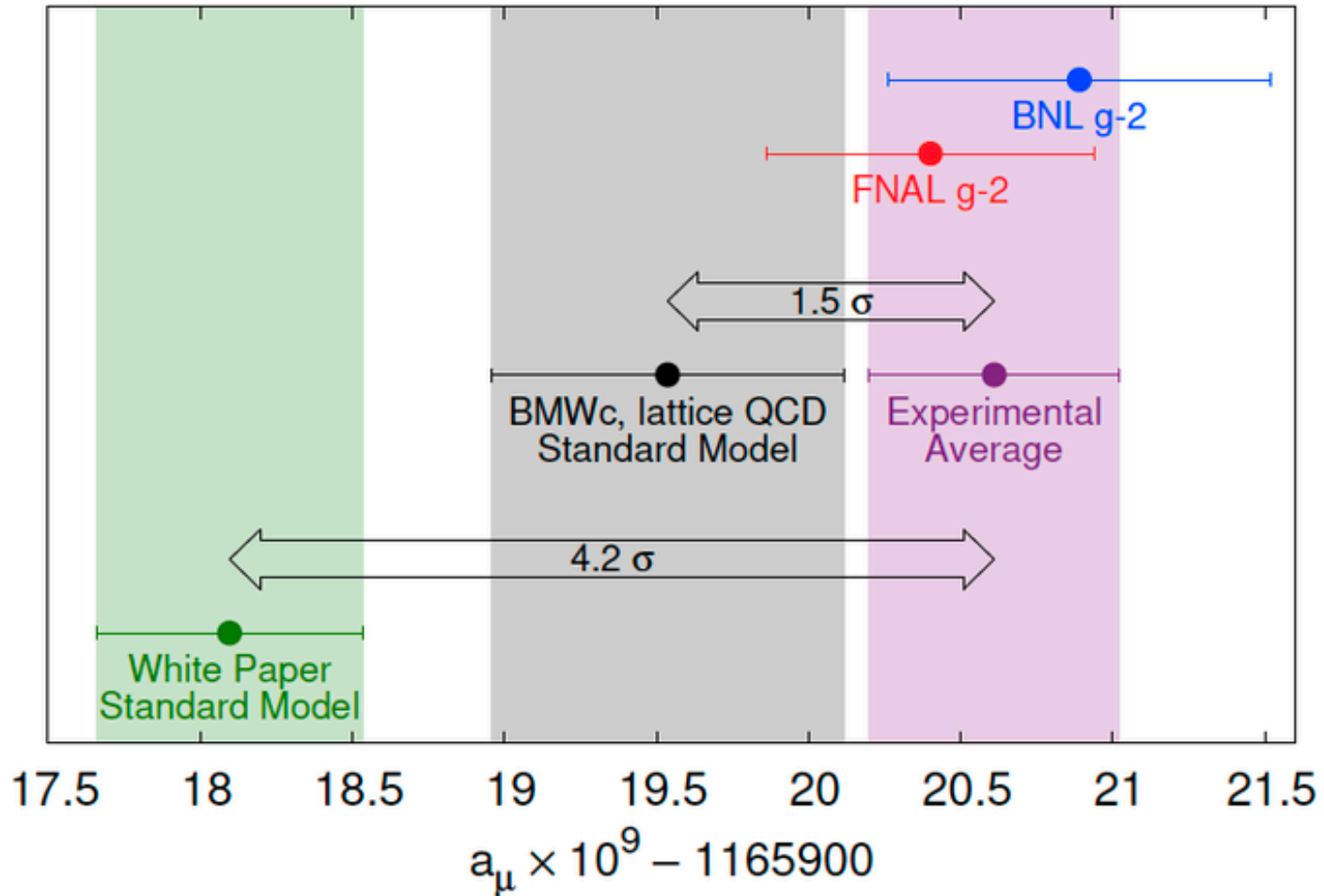


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[BMW coll. Nature 593 (2021) 7857]

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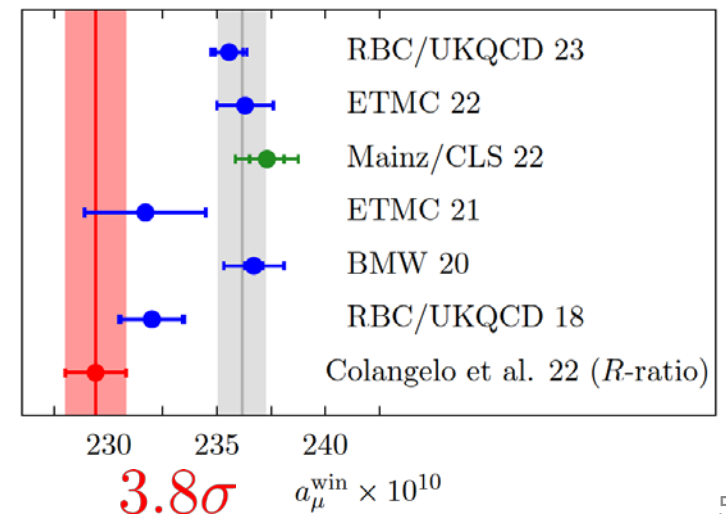


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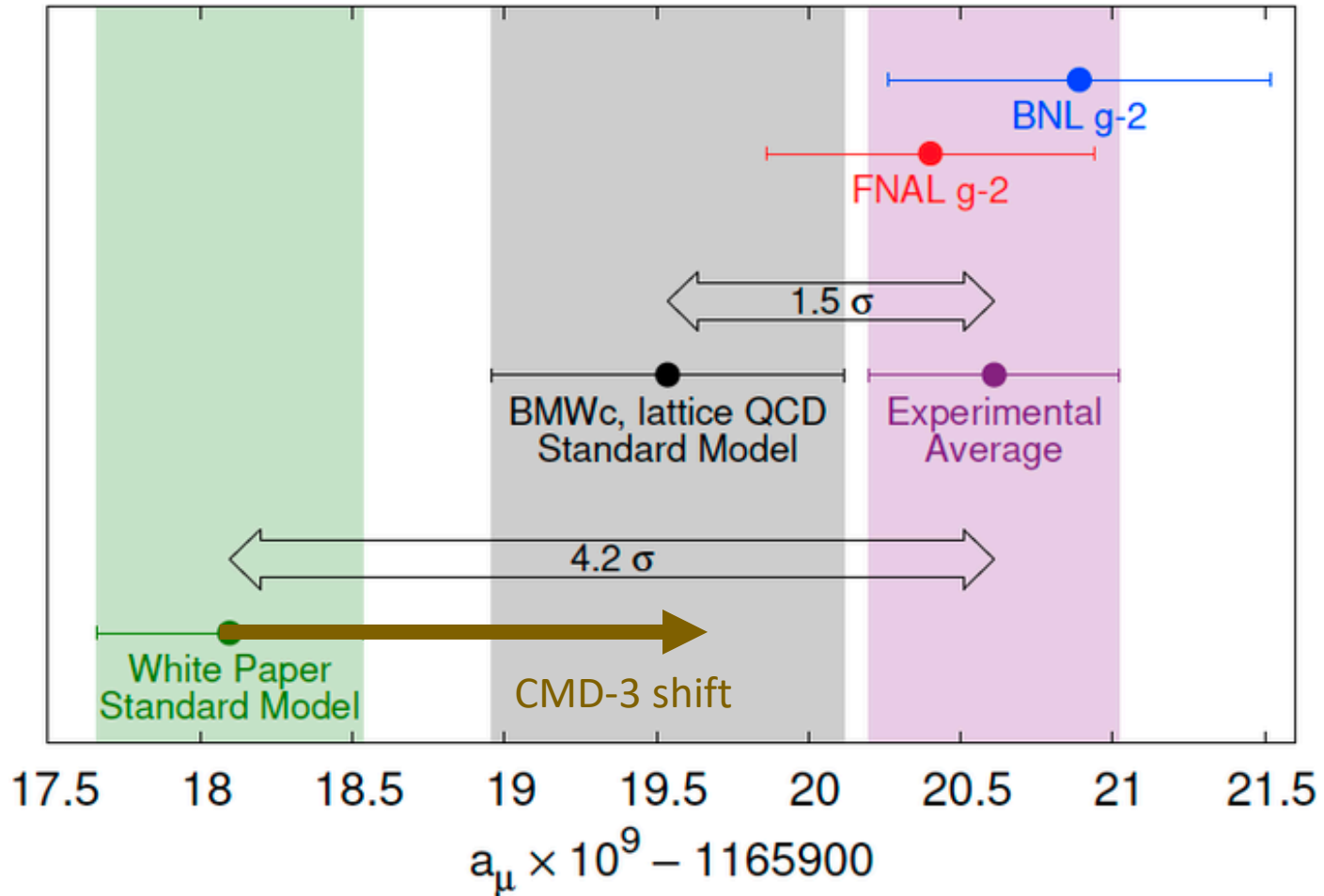
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Corroborated by other lattice groups in the so-called *intermediate-window*: [see Witting's talk @MoriondEW2023]

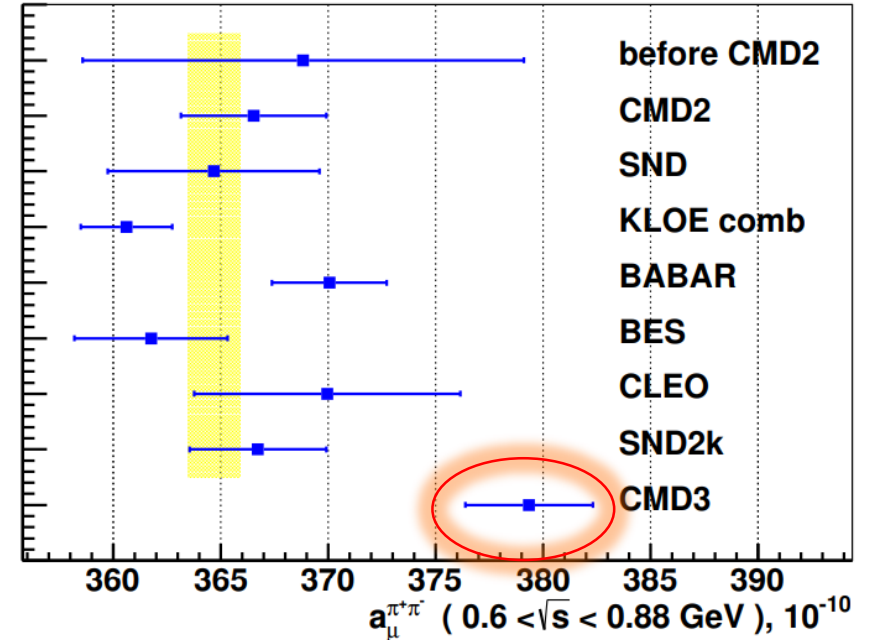


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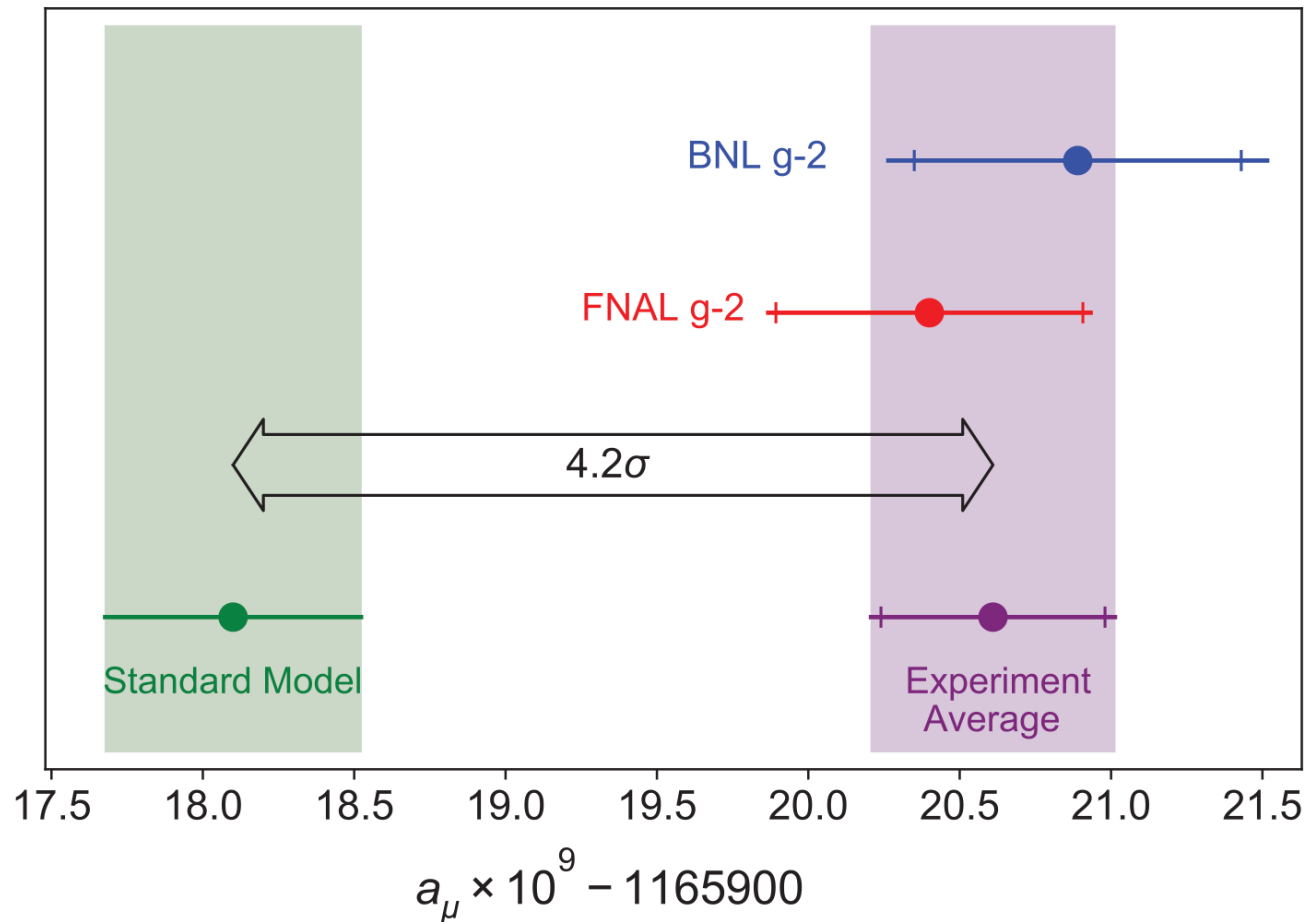
Recent  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi\pi$  VEPP data also [CMD-3 coll. hep-ex/2302.08834]

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP-LO}}[\pi\pi] = 3793(30) \times 10^{-11} \quad (0.6 < \sqrt{s} < 0.9 \text{ GeV})$$





# Towards solving the puzzle



The jury is still out!

New experimental determinations of  $a_\mu$  are more than welcome!

JPARC is coming up, but like BNL/FNAL it could be affected by « environmental » NP effects polluting the spin precession *e.g.*

[Davoudiasl-Szafron hep-ph/2210.14959]

[Agrawal et al. hep-ph/2210.17547]

MUonE will measure HVP directly, should be clean from NP, see *e.g.*

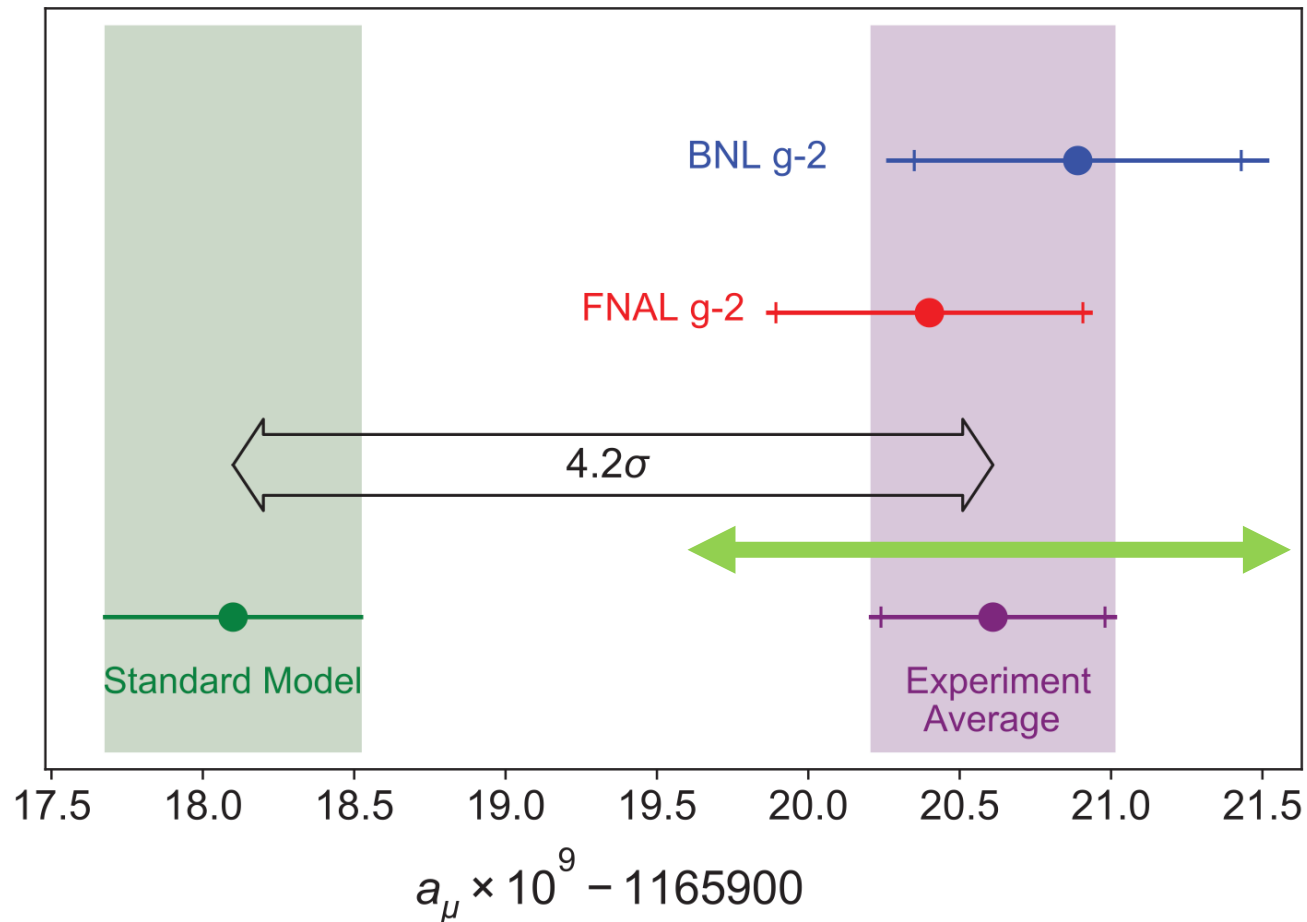
[Masiero-Paradisi-Passera PRD 2020]

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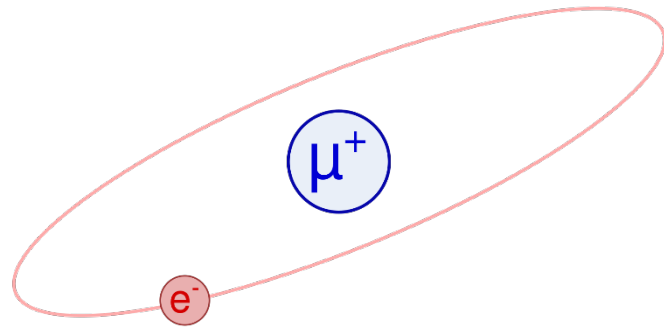
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Muonium spectroscopy will provide another **independent** determination **at 1ppm!**



# An alternative approach

extract  $a_\mu$  from high-precision spectroscopy of muonic bound states



Muonium (Mu) = antimuon-electron bound state  
(like an exotic hydrogen isotope)

pure leptonic atom controlled by QED  
(strong-interaction enters only through HVP, suppressed by  $m_e^2/m_\mu^2$ )

unstable since muon decays  $\rightarrow \tau_{\text{Mu}} \simeq 2.2 \mu\text{s}$

Other muonic bound states exist:

like muonic hydrogen/deuterium = muon-proton/deuteron bound states

but only Lamb shift 2S-2P is measured with precision (not very sensitive to  $a_\mu$ )

and the theory prediction is plagued with large uncertainty from finite nuclear size corrections.

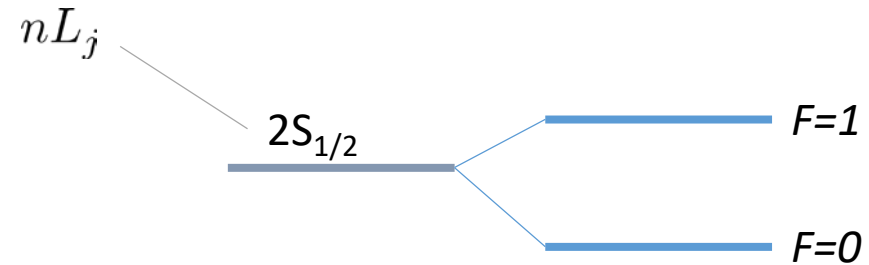
# Muonium energy levels

full angular momentum:  

$$\vec{F} = \vec{L} + \vec{S}_e + \vec{S}_\mu$$

Hyperfine splitting (HFS) for S levels  
 arises from magnetic dipole-dipole interaction

$$H_{\text{HFS}} = -\frac{2\mu_0}{3} \vec{\mu}_e \cdot \vec{\mu}_\mu \delta^3(r)$$

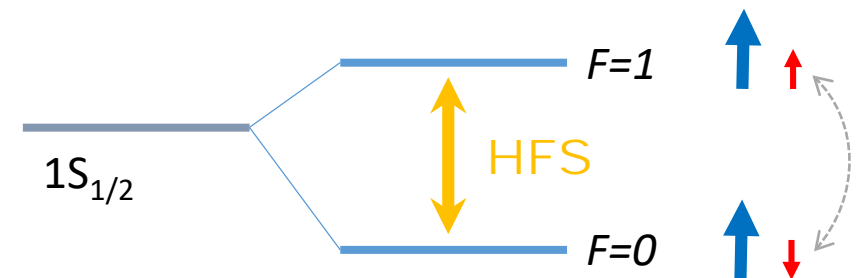


The electron spin flips in the (static) magnetic field sourced by the muon,  
 which lifts the degeneracy of the S state.

The 1S-HFS in muonium is very precisely measured:

$$\nu_{\text{HFS}}^{\text{exp}} = 4\,463\,302\,765(53) \text{ Hz (12ppb)}$$

[Liu et al. PRL 1999]



# Ground-state HFS theory

$$\nu_{\text{HFS}} = \frac{16}{3} (1 + a_{\mu}) \frac{m_e}{m_{\mu}} \frac{R_{\infty} c \alpha^2}{(1 + m_e/m_{\mu})^3} [1 + \delta_{\text{HFS}}]$$

Rydberg constant  
 $R_{\infty} \equiv \alpha^2 m_e c / (2h)$

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$$\delta_{\text{HFS}} = \delta_{\text{Dirac}} + \delta_{\text{rad}} + \delta_{\text{rec}} + \delta_{\text{rad-rec}} + \delta_{\text{weak}} + \delta_{\text{had}}$$

hadronic vacuum pol. = 237.7(1.5) Hz

relativistic (exact)

radiative known up to  $\mathcal{O}(Z\alpha^4)$  including  $a_e$

recoil known up to  $\mathcal{O}[(m_e/m_\mu)(Z\alpha)^3]$

radiative-recoil known up to  $\mathcal{O}[(m_e/m_\mu)\alpha^3]$

$\sim 10$  Hz uncertainty

$\sim 60$  Hz uncertainty

Total TH uncertainty  $\sim 70$  Hz (16ppb) dominated by (yet) uncalculated QED corrections at three-loop order

[Eides-Shelyuto IJMPA 2016]

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[Eides-Shelyuto IJMPA 2016]

# Alternative muon mass determination

To extract  $a_\mu$  from muonium HFS, another observable is needed to fix the muon mass

The second best determination of  $m_e/m_\mu$  is provided by the muonium 1S-2S transition

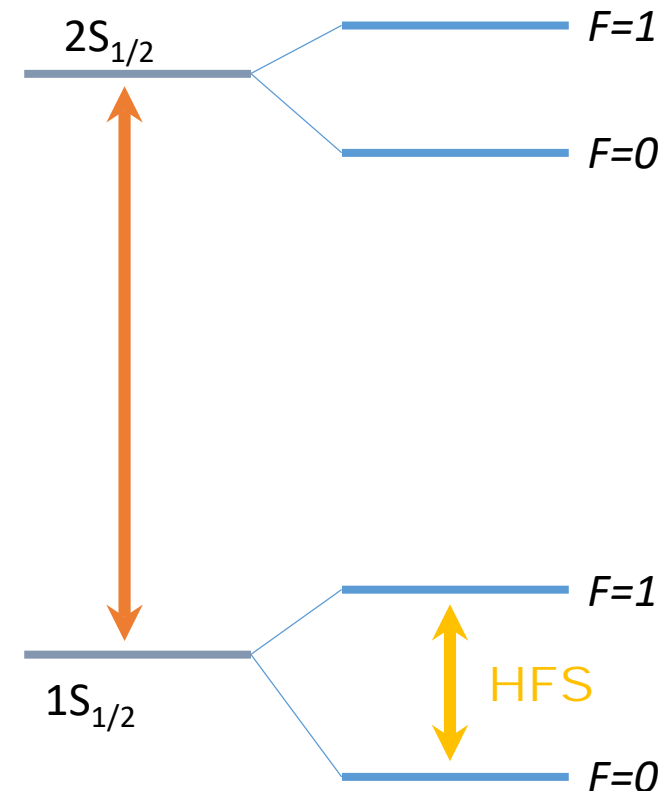
The muon mass enters as a recoil correction to all Mu energies through the reduced mass  $m_r \equiv m_e m_\mu / (m_e + m_\mu)$

$$E_n^{\text{Mu}} \simeq -\alpha^2 \frac{m_r c^2}{2n^2} = -\frac{R_\infty c h}{1 + m_e/m_\mu} \frac{1}{n^2}$$

The 1S-2S is the best measured Mu transition between different  $n$ 's:

$$\nu_{1S-2S}^{\text{exp}} = 2\,455\,528\,941.0(9.8) \text{ MHz (4ppb)}$$

[Meyer et al. PRL 2000]





# 1S-2S theory

$$\nu_{1S-2S} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{R_{\infty} c}{(1 + m_e/m_{\mu})} [1 + \delta_{1S-2S}]$$

nonrelativistic energy  
(including recoil)

$\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$  correction

[CODATA 2018 + refs therein]  
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vacuum pol. known up to  $\mathcal{O}[\alpha(Z\alpha)^4]$       2+3 photon exchange known up to  $\mathcal{O}[\alpha^3(Z\alpha)^4]$       muon self-E

$$\delta_{1S-2S} = \delta_{\text{Dirac}} + \delta_{\text{rel-rec}} + \delta_{e\text{SE}} + \delta_{\text{VP}} + \delta_{2\gamma} + \delta_{3\gamma} + \delta_{\text{rad-rec}} + \delta_{\mu\text{SE}}$$

relativistic (exact)      relativistic-recoil known up to  $\mathcal{O}[(m_e/m_\mu)(Z\alpha)^4]$       electron self-E  $\mathcal{O}[\alpha(Z\alpha)^4]$  known      radiative-recoil known up to  $\mathcal{O}[(m_e/m_\mu)\alpha(Z\alpha)^3]$       Total TH uncertainty  $\sim 20$  kHz ( $\delta$ ppt) from (yet) uncalculated QED (rad-rec) corrections at three-loop order

# Least-square adjustment of muonium data

Following the CODATA procedure [see CODATA 1998] we construct a least-square fit of the Mu HFS and 1S-2S transitions to extract *both*  $m_e/m_\mu$  and  $a_\mu$  from spectroscopy

input datum	value	relative uncertainty	identification	reference
$\nu_{1S-2S}$	2 455 528 941.0(9.8) MHz	$4.0 \times 10^{-9}$	RAL-99	[40]
$\nu_{\text{HFS}}$	4 463 302 776(51) Hz	$1.2 \times 10^{-8}$	LAMPF-99	[38]
$\nu_{\text{HFS}}$	4 463 302.88(16) kHz	$3.6 \times 10^{-8}$	LAMPF-82	[55]
$\delta E(1S)/h$	0.000(14) MHz	$4.3 \times 10^{-12}$	theory	[43]
$\delta E(2S)/h$	0.0(1.8) kHz	$2.2 \times 10^{-12}$	theory	[43]
$\delta E(\text{HFS})/h$	0.000(70) kHz	$1.6 \times 10^{-8}$	theory	[52]

Using CODATA 2018 recommended values for  $R_\infty$  and  $\alpha$ , current Mu data yield:

input datum	observational equation
$\nu_{1S-2S}$	$\nu_{1S-2S} \doteq [E_M(2S; m_e/m_\mu) + \delta_{2S}^{\text{th}} - E_M(1S; m_e/m_\mu) - \delta_{1S}^{\text{th}}]/h$
$\nu_{\text{HFS}}$	$\nu_{\text{HFS}} \doteq \nu_{\text{HFS}}^{\text{th}}(m_e/m_\mu, a_\mu) + \delta_{\text{HFS}}^{\text{th}}/h$
$\delta E(1S)/h$	$\delta E(1S) \doteq \delta_{1S}^{\text{th}}$
$\delta E(2S)/h$	$\delta E(2S) \doteq \delta_{2S}^{\text{th}}$
$\delta E(\text{HFS})/h$	$\delta E(\text{HFS}) \doteq \delta_{\text{HFS}}^{\text{th}}$

$$m_e/m_\mu = 4\,836\,329(4) \times 10^{-9}$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{Mu}} = 116\,637(82) \times 10^{-8} \text{ (700ppm)}$$

← very large uncertainty (Muon g-2 coll. result is  $\sim 0.35\text{ppm}$ ) dominated by the 1S-2S measurement uncertainty

larger value than Muon g-2 coll. result

$$a_\mu^{\text{Mu}} - a_\mu^{\text{exp}} \simeq 4.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ but consistent w/in uncertainties}$$

**However, significant improvements in muonium spectroscopy expected!** 11

# Big improvements coming up!

The **Mu-MASS** experiment at PSI plans to reduce the 1S-2S uncertainty to  
[Crivelli Hyperfine Interact. 2018]  $\sim 10 \text{ kHz}$  (4ppt)

$\sim 10^3$  improvement!

This could be further reduced to  $\sim \text{few kHz}$   
after the High-Intensity Muon Beam upgrade at PSI

[Kiselev et al. J-PARC symposium 2019]

Theory is expected to also improve with a complete calculation  
of the 3-loop contribution in bound-state QED [Eides 2018]

The **MuSEUM** experiment using a high-intensity pulsed muon beam at J-PARC will reduce the HFS uncertainty to

[Tanaka et al. 2021]  $\sim 10 \text{ Hz}$  (2.2ppb)

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$\sim 4 \text{ Hz}$  (1ppb)

# Projected $a_\mu$ uncertainty from muonium

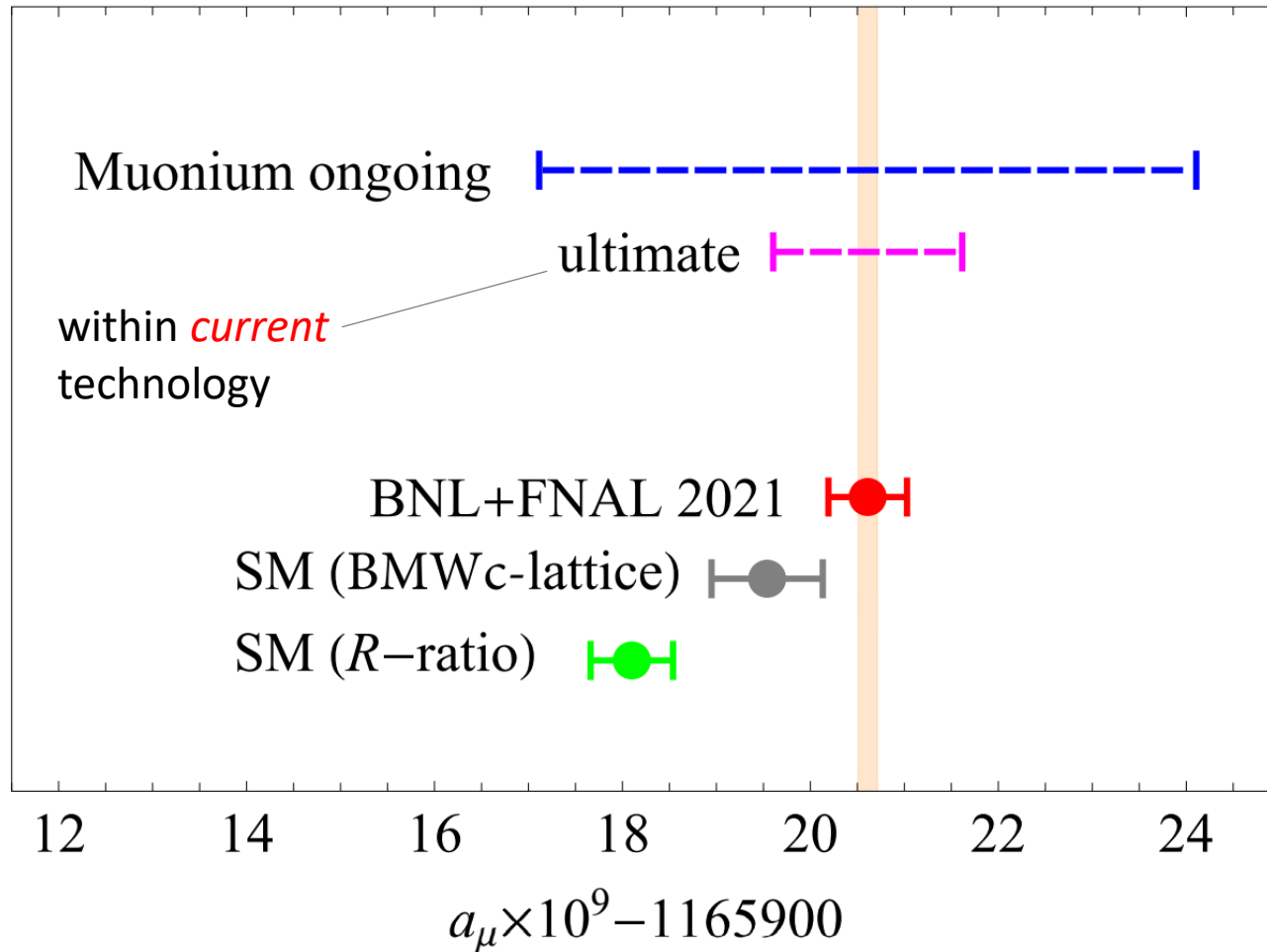
parameter (unit)	quantity	$u_r$		
		current	ongoing	ultimate
$m_e/m_\mu$ (ppb)	$\nu_{1S-2S}$ (exp)	825	0.84	0.34
	QED(1S-2S)	1.7	1.2	0.1
	$R_\infty$	0.40	0.13	
	total	825	1.5	0.37
$a_\mu$ (ppm)	$\nu_{1S-2S}$ (exp)	708	0.73	0.29
	$\nu_{HFS}$ (exp)	10	1.9	0.77
	QED(1S-2S)	1.4	1.0	0.07
	QED(HFS)	14	1.9	0.2
	HVP(HFS)	0.29	0.16	
	$R_\infty$	0.35	0.13	
	$\alpha$	0.26	0.14	
	total	708	3.0	0.88

rather conservative  
based on planned experiments

$\mathcal{O}(1\text{ppm})$   
assuming plausible  
future improvements

with official goals  
of Mu-MASS/MuSEUM

# Shedding light on Muon g-2 puzzle



A value of  $a_\mu^{\text{Mu}}$  at  $\mathcal{O}(1\text{ppm})$  is not competitive to current spin-precession measurements

However, it may help to understand the origin of the  $\sim 2\text{ppm}$  difference between (R-ratio) SM and experiment

# New physics contamination

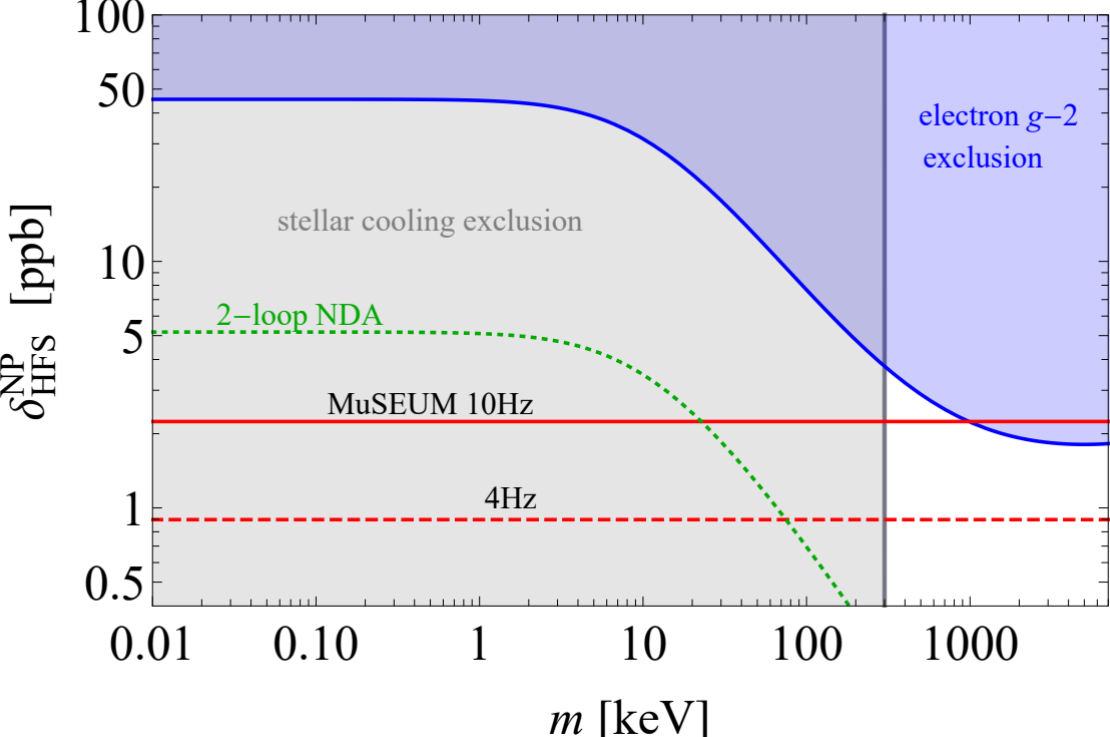
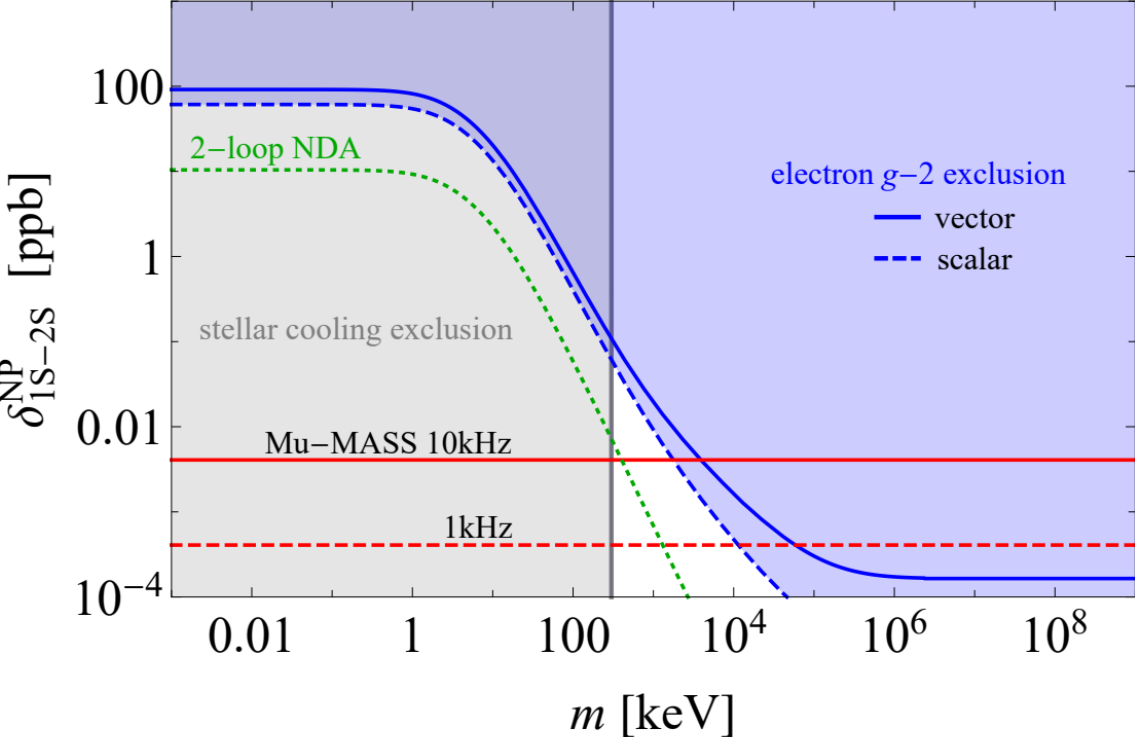
The extraction of  $a_{\mu}^{\text{Mu}}$  from spectroscopy is **indirect** since it assumes that muonium theory follows QED.

As the current puzzle may be caused by the existence of new physics, could it *contaminate* the muonium lines used to extract  $a_{\mu}$  ?

We addressed the question by assuming the existence of the new boson (scalar or vector) with a **muon-coupling that resolves the muon g-2 puzzle** and a **free coupling to electrons**

If NP *only* to muons, muonium theory is *unchanged*. An additional coupling to electrons is *constrained* by the th/exp agreement for **electron g-2**, and astrophysics from **stellar cooling**.

# Maximal NP effects in muonium



Except in a small range of NP mass around  $\sim 1\text{MeV}$  NP effects are sufficiently constrained to be below the expected Mu-MASS/MuSEUM uncertainty.



# Conclusions

Muonium will provide an independent value of  $a_\mu$  at  $\sim 1$  ppm within few years, thanks to

- improved measurements coming up (Mu-MASS@PSI | MuSEUM@JPARC)
- completing the 3-loop QED calculation in Mu (underway)
- mildly reducing uncertainty of the Rydberg constant  $R_\infty$  (already available)

Can it be pushed *further* and surpass precession determination?  
(what if we have a new intense source of muons?)

backups

# Improving 1S-2S measurement

The 1S-2S is a two-photon transition ( $\Delta L = 0$ ) with low excitation efficiency.

To increase the transition probability, a high-power pulsed laser was used in previous experiments. The price to pay was a broadening of the linewidth from  $\simeq 145$  kHz (muon lifetime) to  $\sim 20$  MHz and an extra  $\sim 10$  MHz systematic uncertainty from « chirping »

The Mu-MASS experiment at PSI proposed to circumvent this limitation by using cavity-enhanced continuous-wave excitation, together with an intense low-energy muon beam, thus planning to reduce the 1S-2S uncertainty to  $\sim 10$  kHz (4ppt) [Crivelli Hyperfine Interact. 2018]

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[Kiselev et al. J-PARC symposium 2019]

# Improving HFS measurement

The  $a_{\mu}^{\text{Mu}}$  uncertainty can be further reduced by improving the HFS measurement

Previous measurements at LAMPF were statistics limited.

The MuSEUM experiment using a high-intensity pulsed muon beam at J-PARC is expected to bring down the statistics uncertainty to  $\sim 10 \text{ Hz}$  (2.2ppb) [Tanaka et al. 2021]

A reduction of systematics is also needed at this level of uncertainty.

The dominant one is due to pressure shift from the finite gas density in the experiment. [Kanda et al. 2021] which could be reduced by measuring the HFS in vacuum or in a gas admixture with opposite shifts.

Further improvements are very challenging.

A  $10 \text{ Hz}$  uncertainty already requires resolving the line to  $10^{-4}$  of the linewidth (from muon decay), only done once in spectroscopy: the 2S-4P transition in hydrogen [Beyer et al. Science 2017]

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# Improving 1S-2S theory

Once experimental uncertainty is down to  $\sim$  few kHz , the theory must be improved by a factor  $\sim$  10

The main theory uncertainty comes from the uncalculated radiative-recoil terms at three-loop QED of  $\mathcal{O}[(m_e/m_\mu)\alpha(Z\alpha)^6]$

There is extra incentive to calculate them:  
Once the proton radius puzzle is fully resolved, such terms will become the limiting factor to further improvements of  $R_\infty$  in hydrogen.

All of the above would then allow to determine the electron-muon mass ratio to  $\sim$  0.37ppb thus making it a subleading source of uncertainty for  $a_\mu^{\text{Mu}}$

Subleading uncertainty from uncalculated recoil terms of  $\mathcal{O}[(m_e/m_\mu)^2(Z\alpha)^6]$  at three-loop QED should also be reduced.

$R_\infty$  should also improve by a factor few.  
The QED uncertainty in hydrogen was recently reduced to  $\sim$  1 kHz [Karshenboim et al. PLB 2019] meaning that a three-fold improvement is already possible relative to CODATA 2018.

# Improving HFS theory

The HFS theory should improve in the meantime by a factor  $\sim 20$ .

To this level the uncertainty is only limited by uncalculated terms in QED.  
(The HVP uncertainty is  $\sim 1$  Hz, still subdominant.)

The required QED calculation is currently being done, with a goal of  $\sim$  few Hz. [Eides 2018]  
This is motivated by the upcoming MuSEUM measurement,  
aiming at a reduced uncertainty of  $m_e/m_\mu$  and thus of  $a_\mu$  in future Fermilab/J-PARC runs.