

The theoretical prediction for the muon $g - 2$: the important role of hadronic contributions

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Introduction

- The muon is an elementary particle
- Same charge but 200 heavier than the electron
- Spin 1/2 particle
- The magnetic moment of the muon is proportional to the spin $\vec{\mu} = g \left(\frac{Qe}{2m} \right) \vec{s}$

$$a_{\mu} = \frac{g - 2}{2}$$

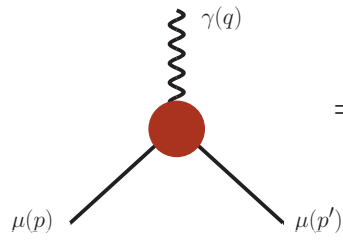
Why is it interesting?

- 1) can be measured very precisely
- 2) can also be predicted very precisely in the SM
- 3) sensitive to new physics

Introduction

► Corrections to the vertex function : Dirac and Pauli form factors

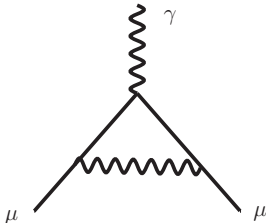
Assuming **Lorentz invariance** and **P and T symmetries**, the vertex function can be decomposed into 2 form factors



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

$$F_1(0) = 1 \text{ (charge conservation)}$$

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

► **Classical result** : $g = 2$ for elementary fermions (Dirac equation)

Quantum field theory : $a_\mu = \frac{g-2}{2} \neq 0$

↪ Generated by quantum effects

$$a_\mu^{(1)} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \quad [\text{Schwinger '48}]$$

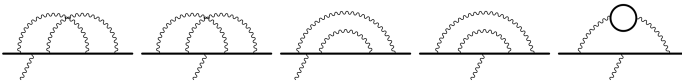
Standard model contributions : QED

- QED accounts for more than 99.99% of the final result** [Aoyama et al. '12 '19]

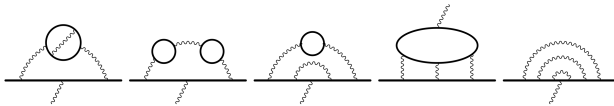
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{QED}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) a_{\mu}^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 a_{\mu}^{(2)} + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 a_{\mu}^{(3)} + \dots$$

→ 5-loop contributions are known !

Order α^4 (7 diagrams)

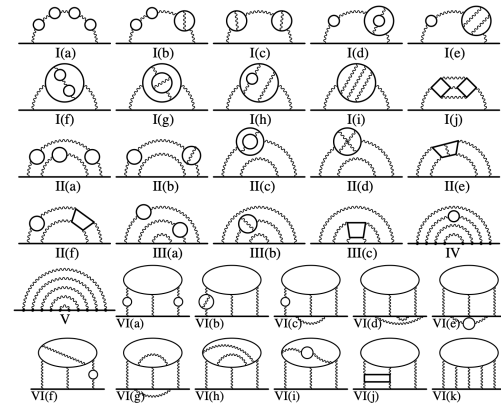


Order α^6 (72 diagrams)



Order α^8 (891 diagrams) ...

Order α^{10} (12 672 diagrams)



n	$a_{\mu}^{(1)} \times 10^{11}$	n	$a_{\mu}^{(1)} \times 10^{11}$
1	116 140 973.21(23)	4	381.004(17)
2	413 217.6258(70)	5	5.0783(59)
3	30 141.90233(33)		

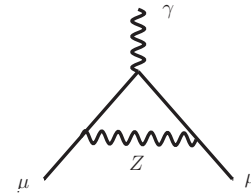
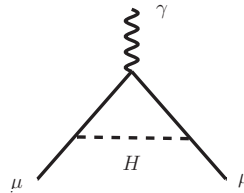
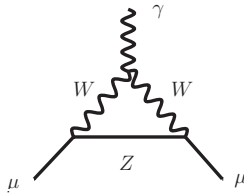
→ Uncertainty far below Δa_{μ} . **Strong test of QED.**

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{QED}} = 116\,584\,718.931(104) \times 10^{-11}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}} = 116\,591\,810(43) \times 10^{-11}$$

Standard model contributions

- **Electroweak corrections** [Czarnecki '02] [Gnendiger '13]



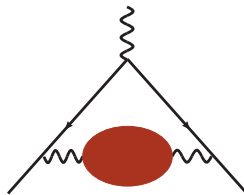
→ Two-loop contributions are known : $a_{\mu}^{\text{EW}} \times 10^{11} = 153.6(1.0)$

→ Contributes to only 1.5 ppm ($4 \times \text{exp. error}$) ⇒ **under control**

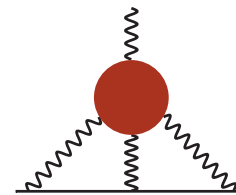
- **QCD corrections**

→ Quarks and gluons do not directly couple to the muon : contribution via loop diagrams

→ The two relevant contributions (to reduce the error) are



Hadronic Vacuum Polarisation (LO-HVP, α^2)



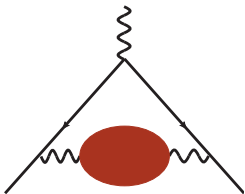
Hadronic Light-by-Light scattering (HLbL, α^3)

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

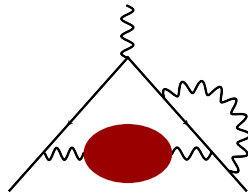
$$a_{\ell}^{\text{NP}} = \mathcal{C} \frac{m_{\ell}^2}{\Lambda^2}$$

Other hadronic contributions

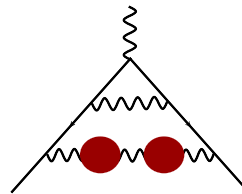
LO HVP



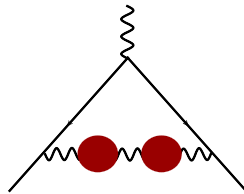
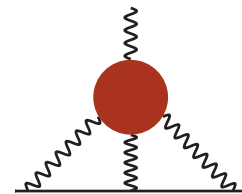
NLO HVP



NNLO HVP



HLbL



- [NLO HVP](#) and [NNLO HVP](#) differ by the QED kernel functions
- Not negligible, but error under control (the required relative precision is smaller)

Theory status in the white-paper

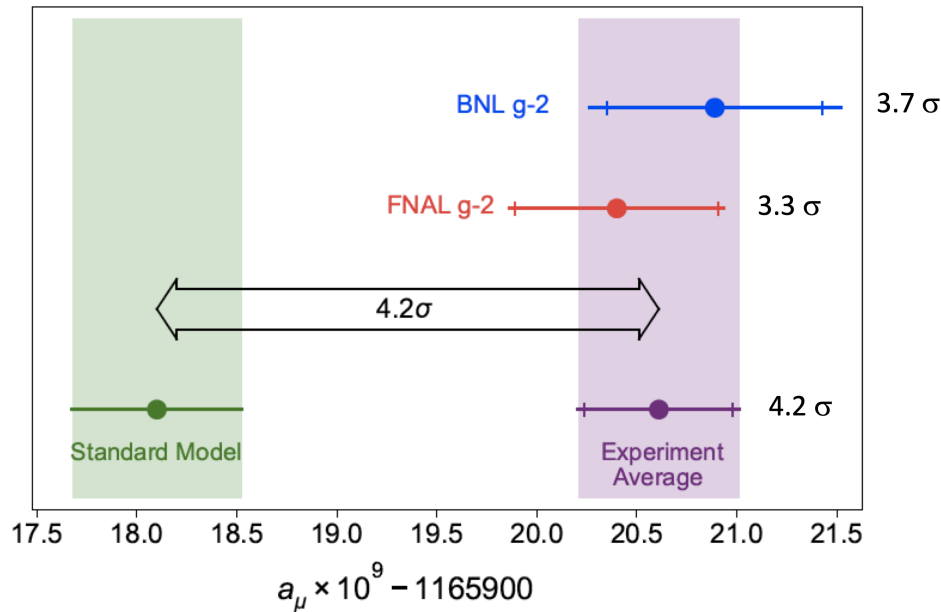
The **Muon $g - 2$ Theory Initiative** :

- website : <https://muon-gm2-theory.illinois.edu/>
- Organized 7 workshops between 2017-2021
- White Paper posted 10 June 2020

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

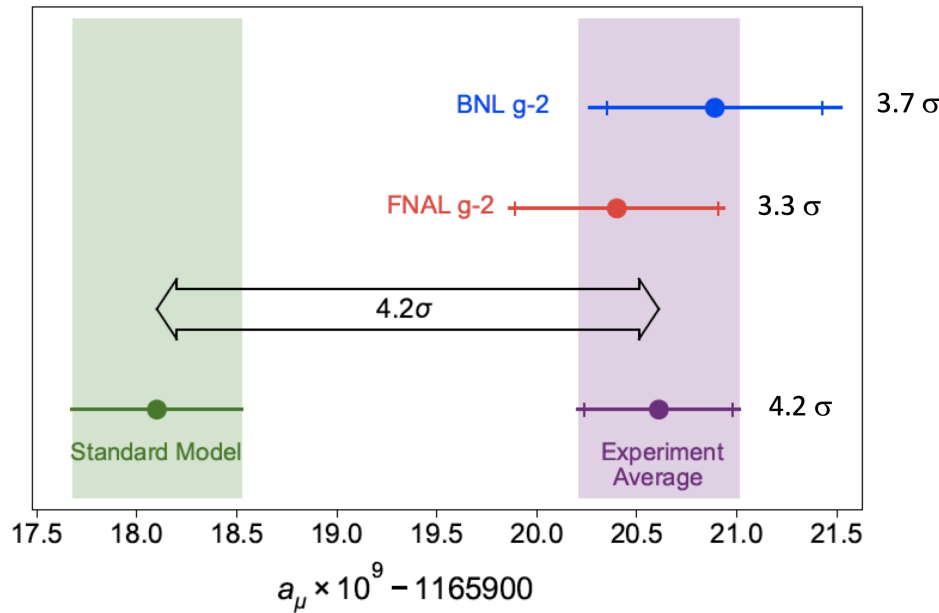
Contribution	$a_\mu \times 10^{11}$	
- QED (leptons, 10 th order)	116 584 718.95 \pm 0.08	[Aoyama et al. '12]
- Electroweak	153.6 \pm 1.0	[Gnendiger et al. "13]
- Strong contributions		
HVP (LO)	6 931 \pm 40	[DHMZ 19, KNT 20]
HVP (NLO)	-98.3 \pm 0.7	[Hagiwara et al. 11]
HVP (NNLO)	12.4 \pm 0.1	[Kurtz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

Status after the first run of the E989 experiment at Fermilab



- Remarkable confirmation of the Brookhaven result (2004)
- Similar precision for both theory and experiment
- This is a large discrepancy ($2 \times$ electroweak contribution !)
- Theory error is dominated by hadronic contributions
 - reduction of the theory error by a factor of 3-4 needed to match upcoming experiments

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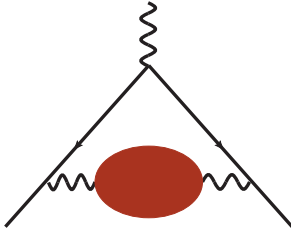


BUT :

- does not include the most recent lattice results
 - new complete lattice calculation of the HLbL contribution by Mainz
 - first sub-percent calculation of the HVP contribution by BMW

Outline of the talk : hadronic contributions

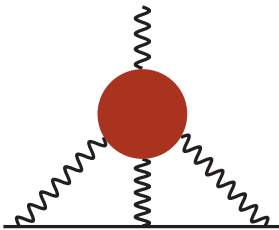
► Hadronic Vacuum Polarisation (HVP, α^2)



- Blobs : all possible intermediate hadronic states ($\rho, \pi\pi, \dots$)
- Precision physics (Goal : precision $< 0.3\%$)

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q) &= \text{diagram} = (Q_\mu Q_\nu - \delta_{\mu\nu} Q^2) \Pi(Q^2) \\ &= \int d^4x e^{iQ \cdot x} \langle V_\mu(x) V_\nu(0) \rangle\end{aligned}$$

► Hadronic Light-by-Light scattering (HLbL, α^3)



Hadronic light-by-light tensor $\Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}(p_1, p_2, p_3)$

- Small but contributes to the total uncertainty !
- 4-point correlation function
- More difficult, but need 10% precision

Standard model prediction of hadronic contributions

- ▶ Perturbative QCD can not be used : **we need non-perturbative methods**
- ▶ Two first-principle approaches :

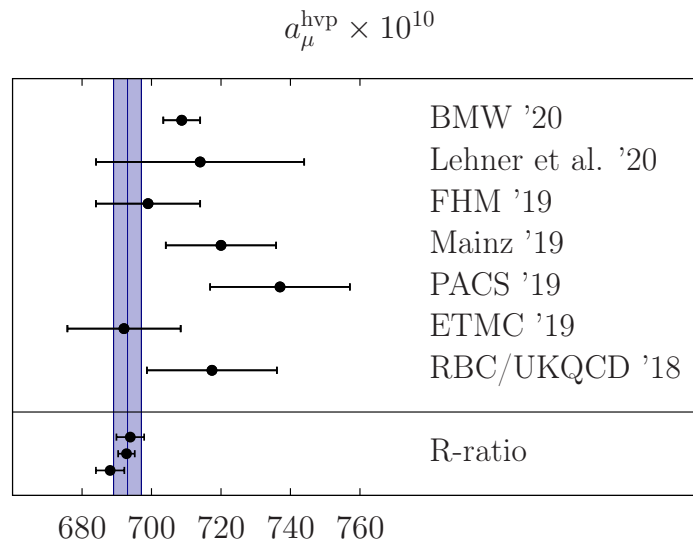
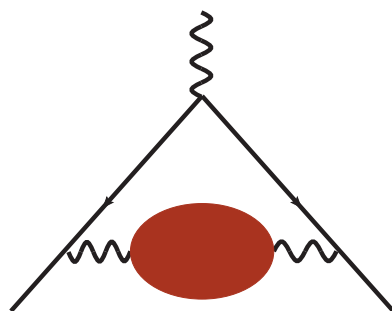
The dispersive framework (data-driven)

- based on analyticity, unitarity ...
- ... but relies on experimental data (needs a careful propagation of exp. uncertainties)
- several group have published results for the HVP [Davier et al. '19] [Keshavarzi et al. '20]
- more difficult for the LbL
(analytic structure of the 4-point function more difficult, exp. data sometimes missing)

Lattice QCD

- ab-initio calculations
 - but we need to control all sources of error (huge challenge at this level of precision)
 - many groups are working on this subject : cross-checks possible
- ▶ It provides two completely independent determinations

Hadronic vacuum polarization

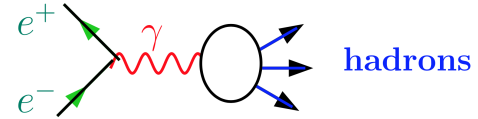


- Many lattice collaborations (with different systematic errors)
- Precision of about 2% for lattice, 0.6% for the data driven approach
- Recent lattice calculation below 1% by the Budapest-Marseille-Wuppertal collaboration

Hadronic vacuum polarization : dispersive framework

- Use analyticity + optical theorem

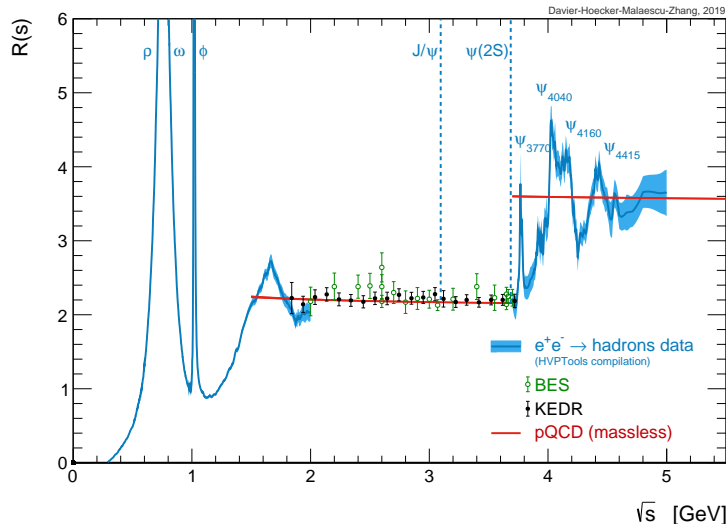
$$R_{\text{had}}(s) = \frac{\sigma^0(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \text{hadrons})}{(4\pi\alpha^2/3s)}$$



- $K(s)$ is a known kernel function

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP}} = \left(\frac{\alpha m_{\mu}}{3\pi}\right)^2 \left\{ \int_{m_{\pi}^2}^{E_{\text{cut}}^2} ds \frac{R_{\text{had}}^{\text{data}}(s) \hat{K}(s)}{s^2} + \int_{E_{\text{cut}}^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{R_{\text{had}}^{\text{pQCD}}(s) \hat{K}(s)}{s^2} \right\}$$

- Compilation of experimental data from many experiments



Hadronic vacuum polarization : dispersive framework

Compilation of results :

- DHMZ19 [Eur. Phys. J. C80, 241 (2020)]

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp}} = 694.0(1.0)_{\text{stat}}(2.5)_{\text{syst}}(0.7)_{\text{QCD}}(2.8)_{\text{KLOE/BABAR}} \times 10^{-10} \quad [0.58\%]$$

- KNT19 [Phys. Rev. D101, 014029 (2020)]

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- White paper average

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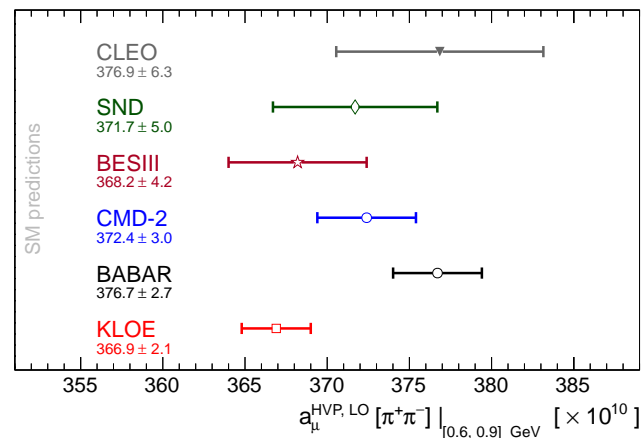
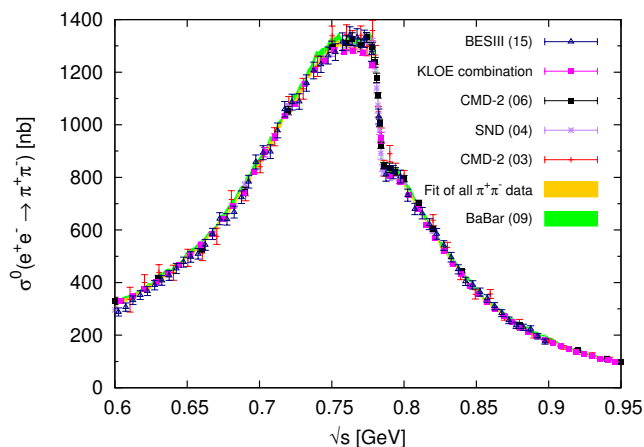
→ obtained with the same experimental data sets

→ error dominated by the « KLOE/BABAR » discrepancy

→ good agreement (... for the sum over all contributions)

Hadronic vacuum polarization and dispersive theory


- Most precise determination so far
- Subject to experimental uncertainties : careful propagation of experimental uncertainties
 - Groups with \neq methodologies are in good agreement [Davier et al. '19] [Keshavarzi et al. '20]
 - But local discrepancies (tensions already there in the experimental data)!
 - Problematic for the dominant $\pi\pi$ channel



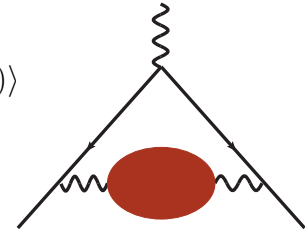
Difference between BABAR and KLOE : $\Delta a_\mu = 9.8(3.4) \times 10^{-10}$

Difference pheno / exp for the $g - 2$: $\Delta a_\mu = 28(8) \times 10^{-10}$

Lattice QCD approach to the hadronic vacuum polarization (HVP)

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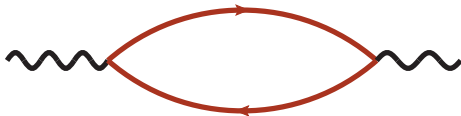
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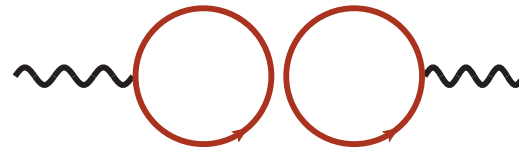
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(quark) disconnected contribution

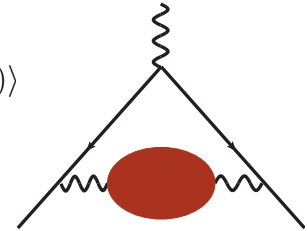


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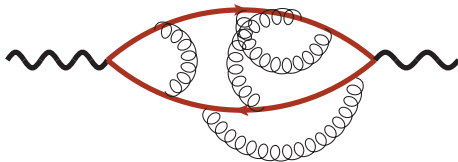
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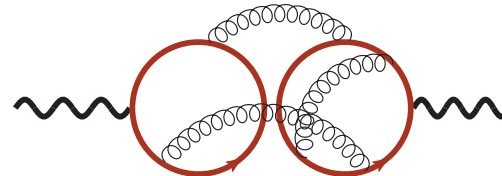
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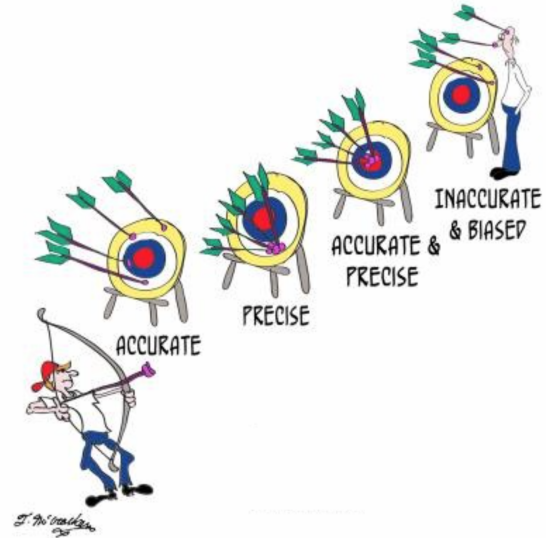
Systematic errors in lattice QCD

Statistical error

- ▶ Monte-Carlo algorithm : statistical error $\rightarrow \sim 1/\sqrt{N_{\text{meas}}}$
 $\rightarrow \text{noise/signal} \propto \exp((m_V - m_\pi)t)$

Systematic errors

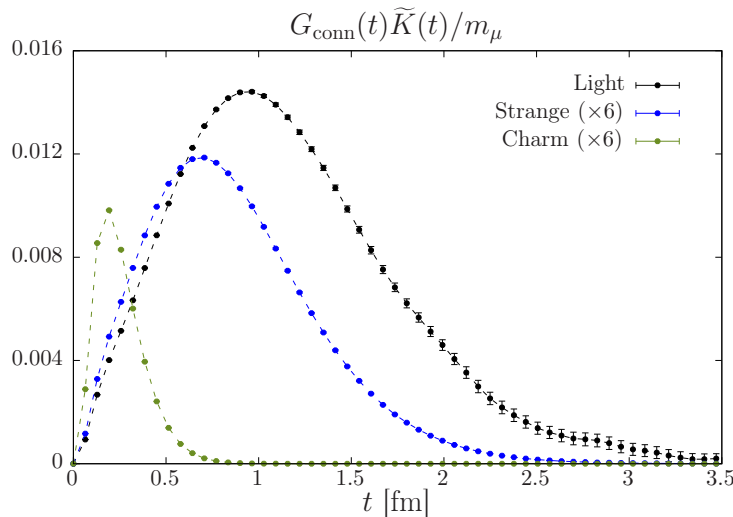
- ▶ **Finite lattice spacing** : $a \neq 0$
 \rightarrow need several (small !) lattice spacings
- ▶ **Finite volume V**
 \rightarrow one should take the infinite volume limit
 $\rightarrow \chi$ PT can help in some cases (pion dominates FSE)
- ▶ **Unphysical quark masses**
 \rightarrow All collaborations now have at least one physical pion mass ensemble.
- ▶ **Isospin-breaking corrections**
 \rightarrow Need to be included at this level of precision



Lattice actions

- ▶ Different lattice actions are used : **Staggered, Wilson-Clover, Twisted mass, Domain wall**
- ▶ They are all equivalent in the continuum limit (\rightarrow QCD !)
- ▶ But they have different features at finite value of the lattice spacing

Light, strange and charm quark contributions at the physical pion mass



Challenges for a high-precision calculation :

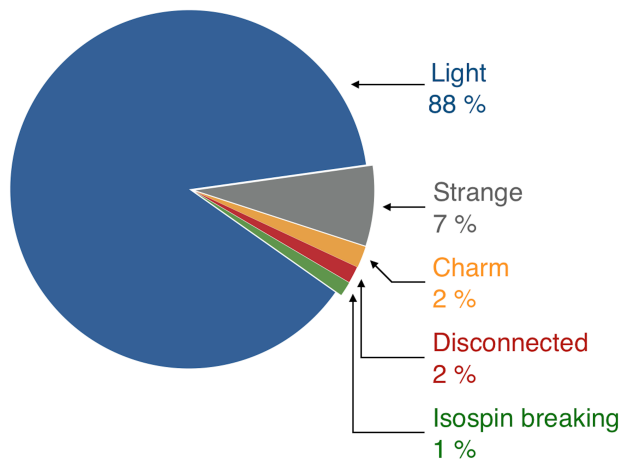
- Light contribution dominates
 - **noise/signal** increases exponentially with t
 - **finite-size effects** O(3%) at physical point
- Disconnected diagrams of the order of O(2-3%)
- **Continuum extrapolation**
- **QED + strong isospin breaking corrections : O(1%)**

- Physical pion mass with $a = 0.065$ fm

- Flavor decomposition :

$$G(t) = G_l(t) + G_s(t) + G_c(t) + G_{\text{disc}}(t)$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP},f} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} K(t) G_f(t)$$



Solution to the noise problem

Signal / noise problem

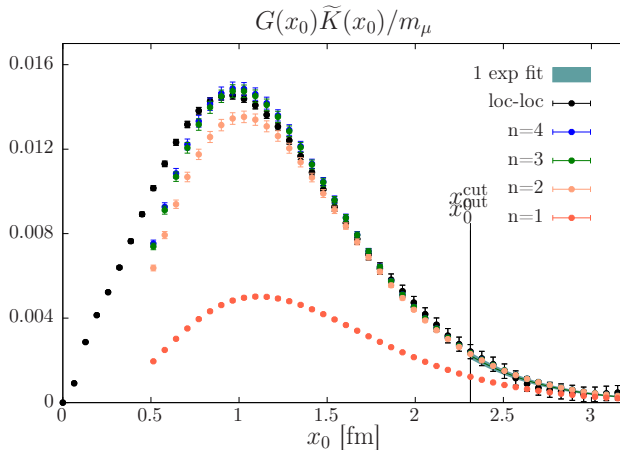
Solution to the noise problem

The vector correlators admits a spectral decomposition :

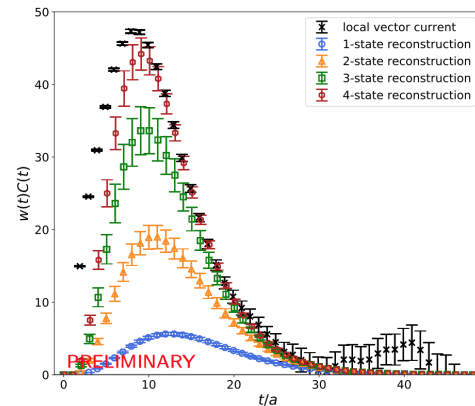
$$\langle V(x_0)V(0) \rangle = \sum_n \langle 0|V|n \rangle \frac{1}{2E_n} \langle n|V(0)|0 \rangle e^{-E_n x_0}$$

- $|n\rangle$ are the **eigenstates in finite volume**
- E_n and $\langle 0|V|n\rangle$ can be computed on the lattice using sophisticated spectroscopy methods

[Mainz and RBC/UKQCD Collaborations]



[A. Gerardin et al, Phys.Rev. D100 (2019), 014510]



[Plot by A. Meyer (RBC/UKQCD) @ Lattice 2019]

→ Only a few number of states are needed (but more states needed at the physical pion mass)

→ **Noise now grows linearly with x_0 (not exponentially)**

→ Other algorithmic improvement : low-mode averaging (exact all-to-all propagator)

Corrections for finite-size effects

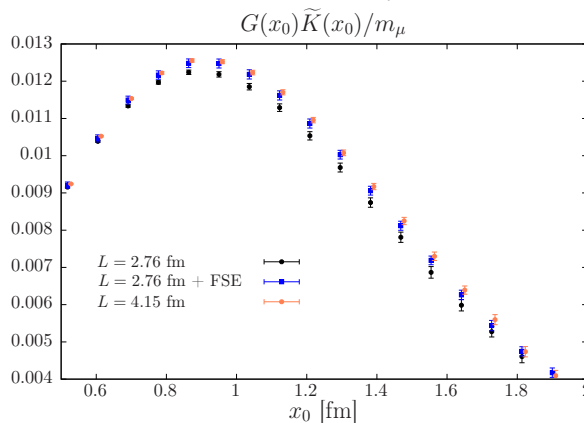
Finite volumes effects

Corrections for finite-size effects

- ▶ **Chiral perturbation theory** : NLO not enough, NNLO corrections are quite large [Aubin et al. '20]
[C. Aubin et al, arXiv :1905.09307], [J. Bijnens et al, JHEP 1712 (2017) 114]
- ▶ **Correction based on the time-like pion form factor** [H. Meyer, Phys.Rev.Lett. 107 (2011)]

$$G^{I=1}(x_0, \infty) = \frac{1}{48\pi^2} \int_{2m_\pi}^{\infty} d\omega \omega^2 \rho(\omega^2) e^{-\omega x_0}, \quad \rho(\omega^2) = \left(1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{\omega^2}\right)^{3/2} |F_\pi(\omega)|^2$$

$$G^{I=1}(x_0, L) = \sum_i |A_i|^2 e^{-E_i x_0}, \quad A_i : \text{obtained from } F_\pi$$



[Phys. Rev. D 100, 014510 (2019)]

On a typical lattice $L = 6$ fm :

$$\Delta a_\mu = 22.7 \times 10^{-10} \quad [\sim 3\%]$$

→ similar results for ETMC

→ and RBC-UKQCD [C. Lehner, Talk at Lattice 2019]

- ▶ **Direct lattice calculation** in very large volume : 11 fm [Budapest-Marseille-Wuppertal '21]
→ Finite size effects correction $18.1(2.5)(1.4) \times 10^{-10}$ compared to a 6 fm box
→ This correction is now well understood
- ▶ **New Hamiltonian approach** in [M. Hansen, A. Patella, arXiv :1904.10010]

Isospin-breaking corrections

QED + strong isospin-breaking effects

Isospin-breaking corrections

- Most lattice simulations are performed with **QCD only and in the isospin symmetric limit**

$$m_u \neq m_d : O\left(\frac{m_u - m_d}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}\right) \approx 1/100$$

Strong isospin breaking

$$Q_u \neq Q_d : O(\alpha_{\text{em}}) \approx 1/100$$

Electromagnetic isospin breaking

→ Separation of strong IB and QED effects is prescription dependent

→ Furthermore, the definition of the iso-symmetric theory is also scheme dependent.

- Small effects $O(1\%)$ - but challenging to compute

- Strategy 1 : **expand the path integral in $(m_u - m_d)$ and α_{em}**

[RM123, JHEP 1204 (2012) 124] [RM123, Phys.Rev. D87 (2013), 114505]

→ Non-compact QED in finite volume : dynamical variable is the gauge potential $A_\mu(x)$

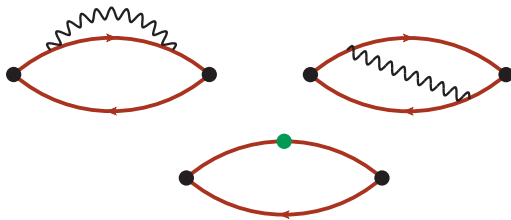
→ Finite-size effect : $1/L^2$ absent, $1/L^3$ (might be negligible at our level of precision)

[J. Bijnens et al, Phys.Rev. D100 (2019), 014508]

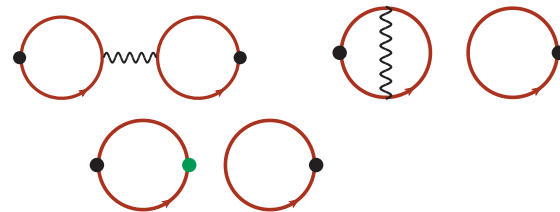
- Strategy 2 : **generate gauge configurations for QED+QCD theory** (usually electro-quenched)

Isospin-breaking corrections

► Corrections to the connected part :



► Corrections to the disconnected part :

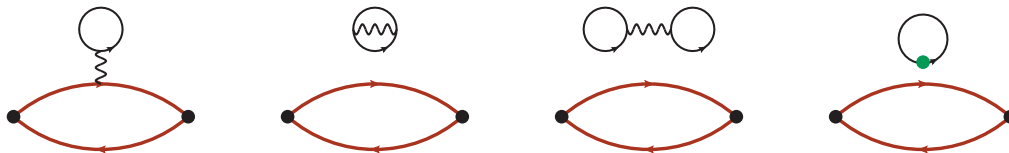


► Three collaborations have published (partial) results so far

		Conn.	Disc.
ETMC	6.0(2.3)	1.1(1.0)	×
RBC-UKQCD	10.6(4.3)	5.9(5.7)	-6.9(2.1)
HPQCD-Fermilab-MILC	9.0(2.3)	×	×

(in units of 10^{-10})

► **Challenging** : beyond the electro-quenched approximation (diagrams are $1/N_c$ suppressed)



► BMW '21 : first calculation that includes all diagrams. About 1% of the full contribution.

Determination of the lattice spacing

Lattice spacing and the continuum extrapolation

Determination of the lattice spacing

- The results of a lattice simulations is in lattice units (am_π, af_π)
- The conversion in physical requires the knowledge of the lattice spacing in physical units
- But a_μ is a dimensionless quantity : so why does it matter ?
 - Because the muon mass is an external scale
 - We need to know the muon mass in lattice units !
 - Error propagation [DellaMorte '17] :

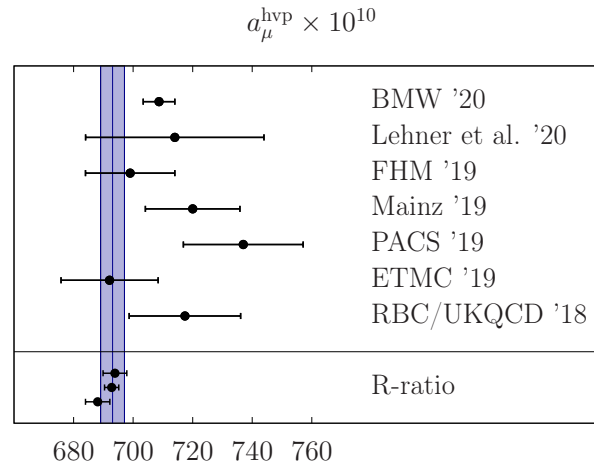
$$\Delta a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} = \left| a \frac{da_\mu^{\text{hvp}}}{da} \right| \cdot \frac{\Delta a}{a} = \left| m_\mu \frac{da_\mu^{\text{hvp}}}{dm_\mu} \right| \cdot \frac{\Delta a}{a} \approx 2 \frac{\Delta a}{a}$$

We want few permil precision : one of the biggest challenge for lattice

→ The BMWc uses the Ω Baryon mass to set the scale (mass well known experimentally) : few permil. Other possibility : pion decay constant (but QED corrections are more involved)

- Also important for the continuum extrapolation

HVP : conclusion



- ▶ First sub-percent lattice calculation by BMWc (competitive with data-driven approach)
- ▶ If confirmed, would reduce the discrepancy with experiment to $< 2\sigma$
- ▶ Need confirmation by other lattice groups (expected within 1 year)
- ▶ Other cross-checks are important (windows, running α)
- ▶ **Goal** : 0.2%
 - average between lattice and dispersive might help ...
 - ... but only if they agree
 - It is probably too soon to quote a "SM estimate of the LO-HVP" with $\sim 0.5\%$ precision

Cross-checks : window quantities

- Current situation : two incompatible determinations (R-ratio vs Lattice)
- Before concluding on the presence or not of NP : we need to agree on the SM estimate !

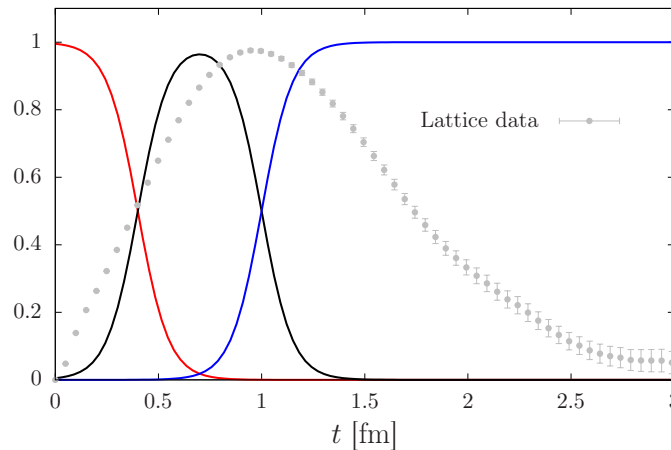
What could go wrong on the lattice ?

Given the importance of this quantity, **it would be preferable to have a second observable** :

- ▶ based on the same input (vector correlator) + easy to calculate
- ▶ less affected by systematic error (and statistical error)
- ▶ that allows for cross checks between different collaborations ...
- ▶ ... and also with R-ratio data

Cross-checks : window quantities

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{win}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \sum_t G(t) K(t) W(t; t_0, t_1)$$



- ▶ the sum over the 3 windows gives the full contribution
- ▶ each window has different systematic errors

Short-distance	Intermediate-distance	Long-distance
stat. precise	stat. precise	noise problem
discretization effects	small finite volume effect	finite volume corrections
		large taste breaking (staggered)

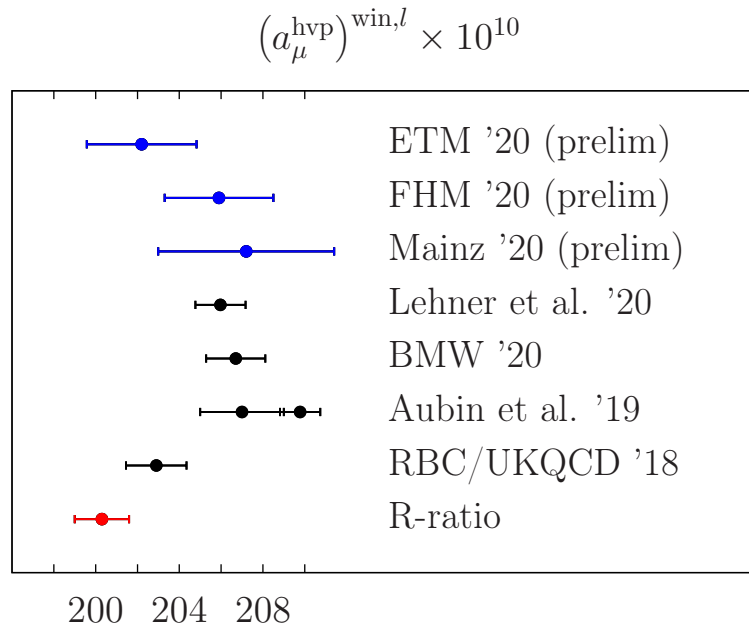
Cross-checks : window quantities

- ▶ on the lattice : flavor decomposition for internal cross checks
- ▶ focus on the light quark contribution (or iso-vector contribution)
 - contributes to most of the signal
- ▶ Intermediate window : most systematics are significantly reduced
 - the continuum extrapolation is still needed !
 - difficult for sub-percent precision
 - Importance of different lattice results with difference discretizations

Cross-checks : window quantities

- workshop organized in November to discuss those issues

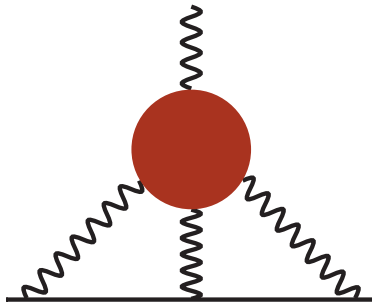
[\[https://indico.cern.ch/event/956699/\]](https://indico.cern.ch/event/956699/)



- lattice results systematically above the R -ratio
- agreement between lattice calculations not yet satisfactory : need to be improved !
- not discussed here : the running of electromagnetic coupling α

Hadronic light-by-light scattering contribution

► Glasgow consensus ('09) → **dispersive framework**



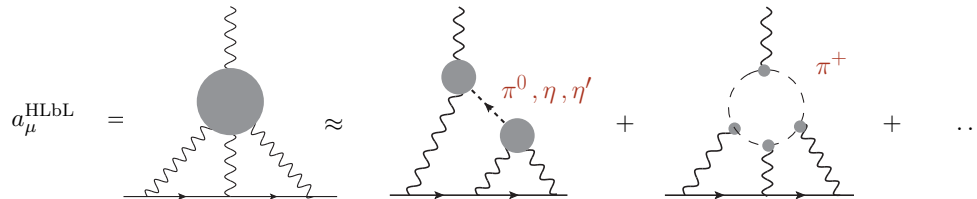
$$O(\alpha^3)$$

$$\Delta a_\mu^{\text{exp}} = 28 \times 10^{-10} \approx 3 \times a_\mu^{\text{hlbl}}$$

	$a_\mu \times 10^{11}$	$a_\mu \times 10^{11}$
π^0, η, η'	114 ± 13	93.8 ± 4
pion/kaon loops	-19 ± 19	-16.4 ± 0.2
S-wave $\pi\pi$		-8 ± 1
axial vector	15 ± 10	6 ± 6
scalar + tensor	-7 ± 7	-1 ± 3
q-loops / short. dist. cstr	2	15 ± 10
charm + heavy q		3 ± 1
total HLbL	105 ± 26	92 ± 19
LO HVP		6931 ± 40

[J. Prades, E. de Rafael, A. Vainshtein '09]
[White paper '20]

Status before 2014 : model calculations



[de Rafael '94]

- 1) Chiral counting
- 2) N_c counting

[extracted from A. Nyffeler's slide], units : $a_\mu \times 10^{11}$

Contribution	BPP	HKS, HK	KN	MV	BP, MdRR	PdRV	N, JN
π^0, η, η'	85 ± 13	82.7 ± 6.4	83 ± 12	114 ± 10	—	114 ± 13	99 ± 16
axial vectors	2.5 ± 1.0	1.7 ± 1.7	—	22 ± 5	—	15 ± 10	22 ± 5
scalars	-6.8 ± 2.0	—	—	—	—	-7 ± 7	-7 ± 2
π, K loops	-19 ± 13	-4.5 ± 8.1	—	—	—	-19 ± 19	-19 ± 13
π, K loops +subl. N_C	—	—	—	0 ± 10	—	—	—
quark loops	21 ± 3	9.7 ± 11.1	—	—	—	2.3 (c-quark)	21 ± 3
Total	83 ± 32	89.6 ± 15.4	80 ± 40	136 ± 25	110 ± 40	105 ± 26	116 ± 39

BPP = Bijnens, Pallante, Prades '95, '96, '02; HKS = Hayakawa, Kinoshita, Sanda '95, '96; HK = Hayakawa, Kinoshita '98, '02; KN = Knecht, AN '02; MV = Melnikov, Vainshtein '04; BP = Bijnens, Prades '07; MdRR = Miller, de Rafael, Roberts '07; PdRV = Prades, de Rafael, Vainshtein '09; N = AN '09, JN = Jegerlehner, AN '09

- 1) **Pseudoscalar contributions dominate numerically** : transition form factors $\pi, \eta, \eta' \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma^*$ as input
- 2) **Glasgow consensus** : $a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = (105 \pm 26) \times 10^{-11}$
- 3) Results are in good agreement but **errors are difficult to estimate** (model calculations)

Hadronic light-by-light : data-driven approach

- ▶ HVP : single scalar function

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q) = (Q_\mu Q_\nu - \delta_{\mu\nu} Q^2) \Pi(Q^2) = \int d^4x e^{iQ \cdot x} \langle V_\mu(x) V_\nu(0) \rangle$$

- ▶ HLbL [Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer (2015)]

→ complicated analytical structure (4-point instead of 2-point function for the HVP)

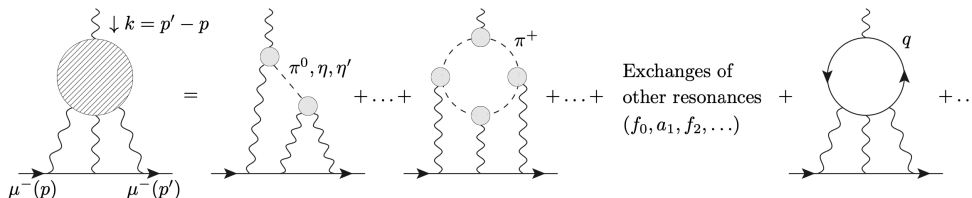
$$\Pi^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^{54} T_i^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Pi_i$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = -e^6 \int \frac{d^4 q_1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^4 q_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{12} \hat{T}_i(q_1, q_2; p) \hat{\Pi}_i(q_1, q_2, -q_1 - q_2)}{q_1^2 q_2^2 (q_1 + q_2)^2 [(p + q_1)^2 - m_\mu^2] [(p - q_2)^2 - m_\mu^2]}$$

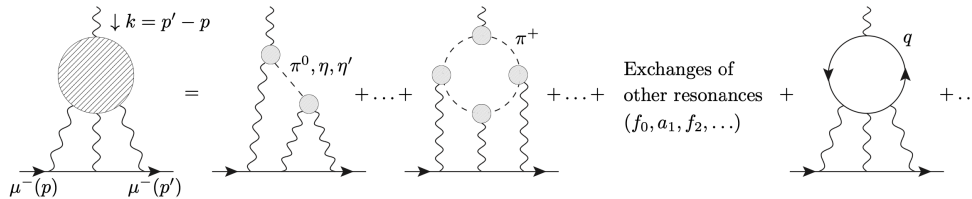
→ 7 independent scalar functions determined using dispersive relations

→ notion of large/small momenta less clear than for HVP (only one virtuality)

- ▶ Make the following decomposition rigorous :



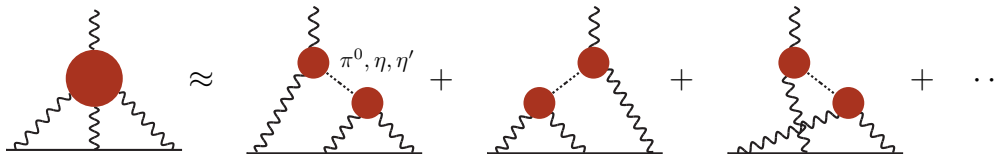
Hadronic light-by-light : data-driven approach



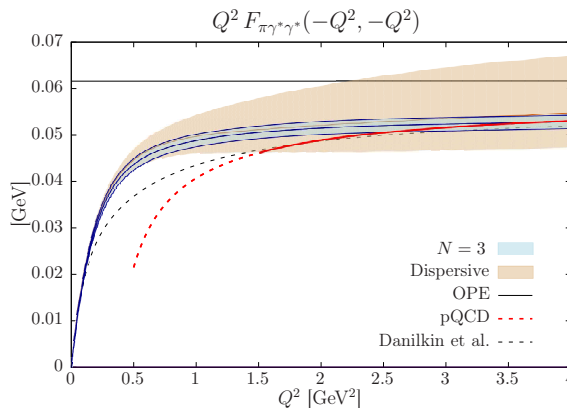
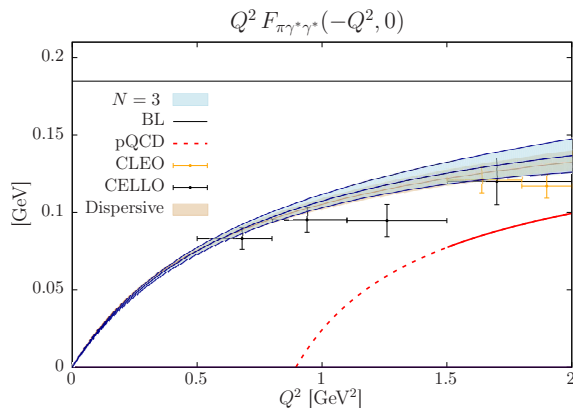
- Impressive improvement in the last few years
- The pseudoscalar-pole contributions are well-defined and dominant

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Lattice inputs for the dispersive framework : the pion-pole contribution



• Pion transition form factor



• Fully model independent

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

→ Compatible with the dispersive result

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0} = 62.6^{+3.0}_{-2.5} \times 10^{-11}$$

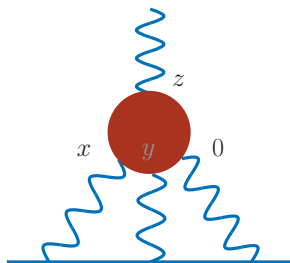
[Hoferichter et al. '18]

[A. G et al, Phys.Rev. D100 (2019)]

• The ETM collaboration has presented very preliminary results for the η and η'

Direct lattice calculation of the Hadronic light-by-light contribution

- Two collaborations : RBC/UKQCD and Mainz, both using position space approaches
- Mainz approach : [PoS LATTICE2015 (2016) 109] [arXiv :1911.05573]



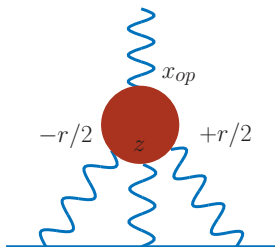
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = \frac{me^6}{3} \int d^4y \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{[\rho,\sigma];\mu\nu\lambda}(x,y) i\hat{\Pi}_{\rho,\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}(x,y)$$

$$i\hat{\Pi}_{\rho,\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}(x,y) = - \int d^4z z_{\rho} \langle J_{\mu}(x) J_{\nu}(y) J_{\sigma}(z) J_{\lambda}(0) \rangle$$

→ $\mathcal{L}_{[\rho,\sigma];\mu\nu\lambda}(x,y)$ is the QED kernel, computed semi-analytically in infinite volume

→ Avoid $1/L^2$ finite-volume effects from the massless photons

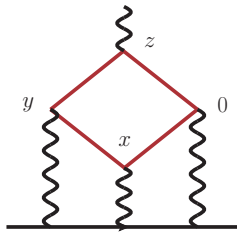
- RBC/UKQCD approach : [T. Blum et al, Phys.Rev. D93 (2016)] [arXiv :1911.08123]



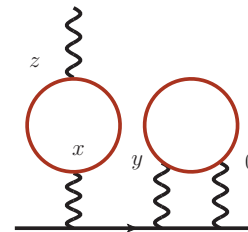
- exact photon propagators
 - QED_L : photon in finite volume, power-law volume corrections
 - QED_∞ : photons in infinite volume
- stochastic evaluation of sum over r

Wick contractions : 5 classes of diagrams

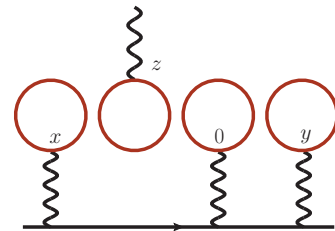
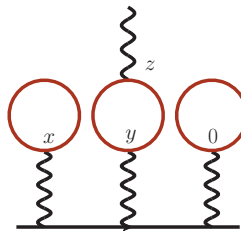
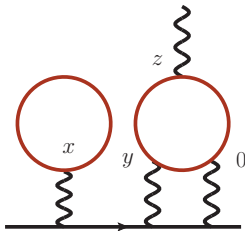
- Fully connected contribution



- Leading 2+2 (quark) disconnected contribution



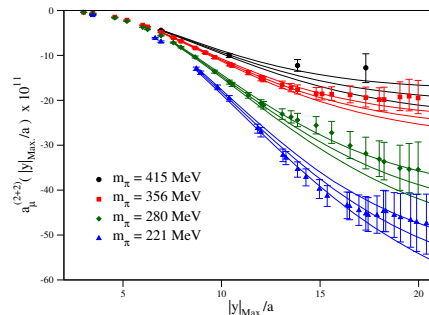
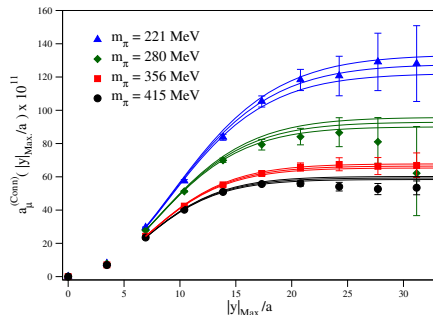
- Sub-dominant disconnected contributions (3+1, 2+1+1, 1+1+1+1)



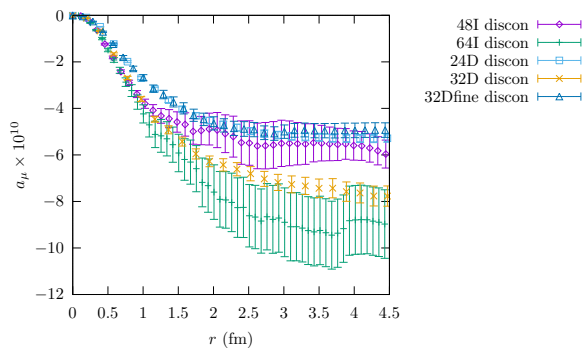
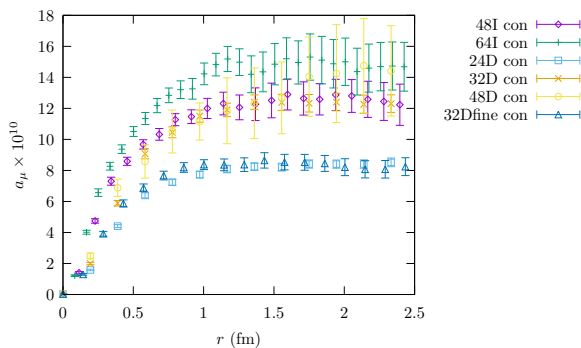
- Second set of diagrams vanish in the SU(3) limit (at least one quark loop which couple to a single photon)
→ Smaller contributions, have been shown to be irrelevant at the 10% level [Mainz '21 : 2104.02632]
- 2+2 disconnected diagrams are not negligible!
→ Large- N_c prediction : 2+2 disc \approx - 50 % \times connected [Bijnens '16]
→ Cancellation \Rightarrow more difficult (correlations does not seems to help in practice ...)

Large cancellation between the two leading contributions

- Connected and disconnected contributions from Mainz ($m_\pi = 200$ MeV)



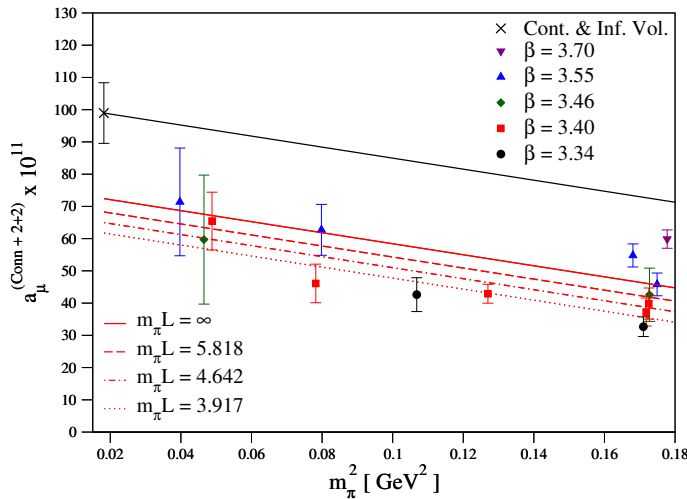
- Connected and disconnected contribution from RBC/UKQCD at the physical pion mass



- Major difficulties : signal/noise problem, finite-size effects are important

Which errors are relevant

Mainz group [2104.02632]

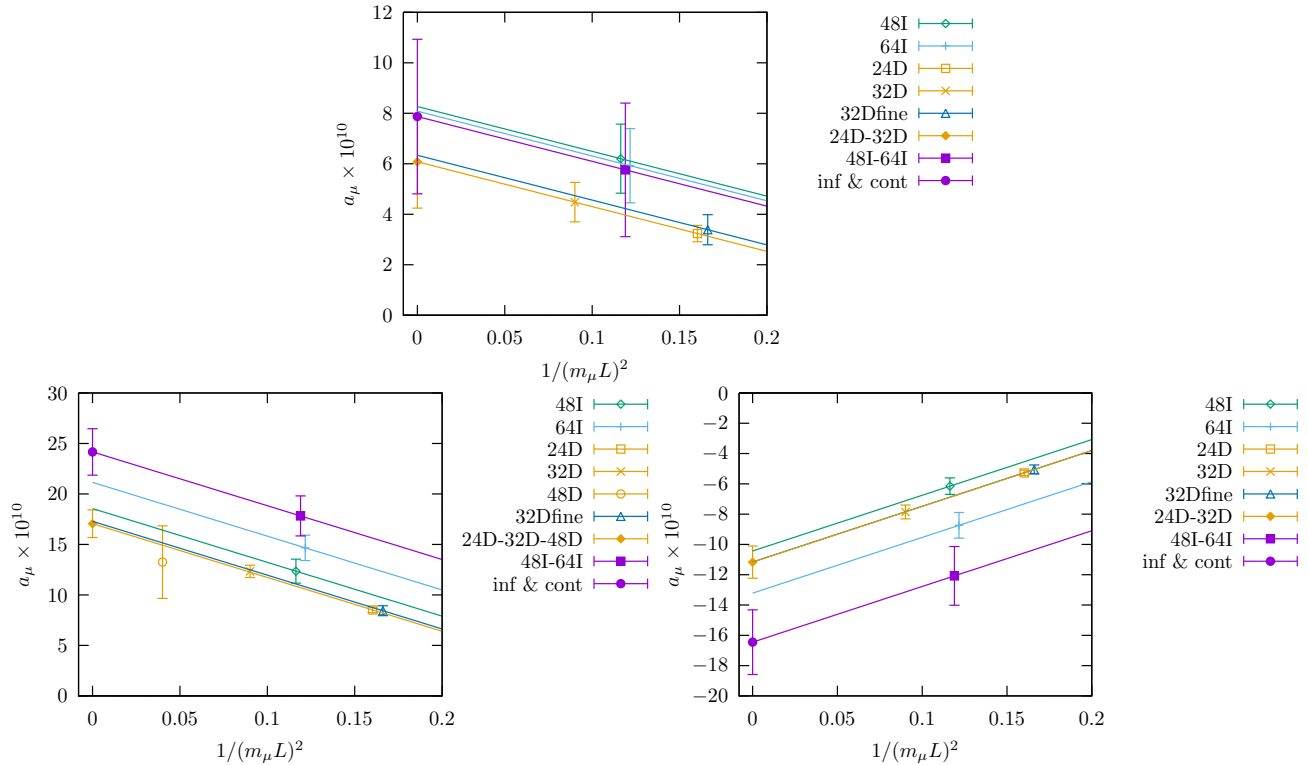


- Statistical noise at long distances
- Finite-volume effects are large
- Continuum extrapolation

- Chiral extrapolation milder than expected (based on π^0 -pole contribution)
- Sub-dominant diagrams smaller than the required precision
- Isospin-breaking corrections are not relevant here

Which errors are relevant

- Similar observation from RBC-UKQCD [Phys. Rev. Lett. 124, 132002 (2020)]



Summary of lattice results

- 2017 : RBC-UKQCD : first publication [Phys.Rev.Lett. 118 (2017)]

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = (53.5 \pm 13.5) \times 10^{-10}$$

→ error is statistical only

→ no continuum extrapolation, no finite-size effect study

- 2020 : pdate that includes a systematic error estimate [Phys.Rev.Lett. 124 (2020)]

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = 72(40)_{\text{stat}}(17)_{\text{syst}} \times 10^{-10}$$

→ QED_L (QED in finite volume)

→ finite-size effects are large

- 2020 : Mainz : first publication that focus on systematics [Eur.Phys.J.C 80 (2020)]

→ not yet at the physical point ($m_{\pi} \approx 400$ MeV)

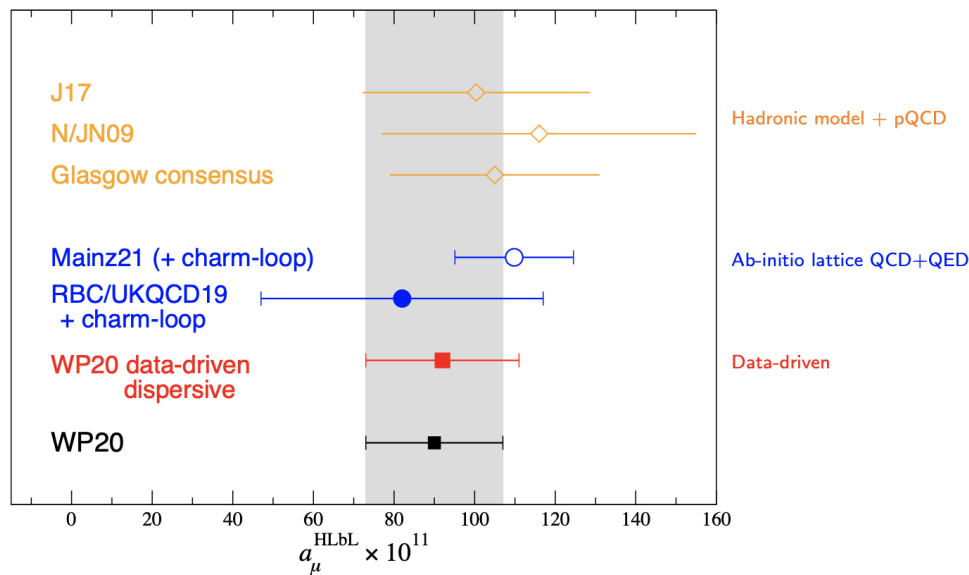
→ finite-size correction + study of discretization effects

- 2021 : Mainz : recent update with a first complete calculation [2104.02632]

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = (107.4 \pm 11.3 \pm 9.2) \times 10^{-10}$$

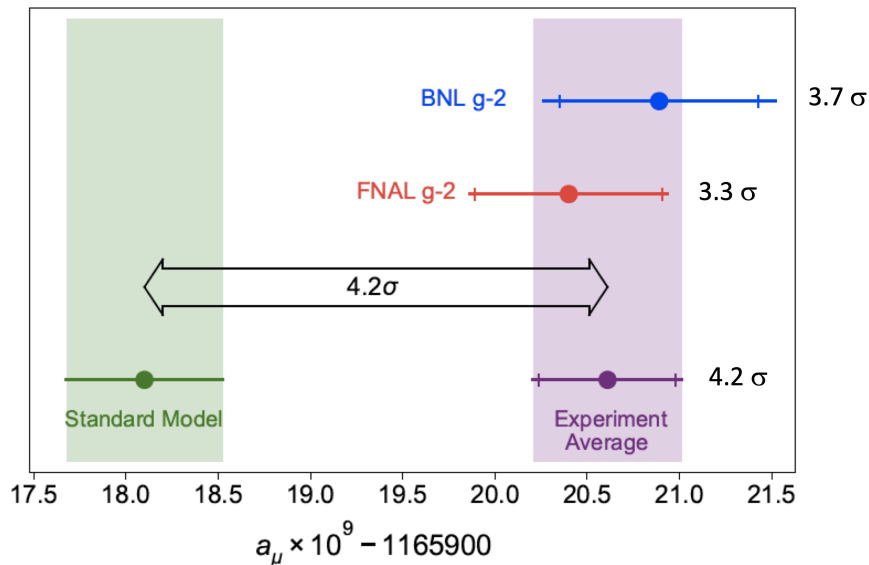
Conclusion HLbL

Status of hadronic light-by-light contribution



- ▶ First lattice QCD results are now published
 - In good agreement with the dispersive framework
 - But systematic errors are sizeable, cross-checks would be welcome
- ▶ Lattice can also provide input to the dispersive framework
 - pseudoscalar-pole contribution
- ▶ Close, but not yet at the target precision ($< 10\%$)

Conclusion



► First run $\approx 1/20$ of the expected total statistics

→ are we close to NP discovery?

→ non-perturbative hadronic contributions dominate the error

→ The recent BMW lattice result reduces the tension !

► Rapid progress on the lattice

→ first sub-percent lattice calculation by BMW, but in tension with R-ratio estimates

→ first complete calculation by Mainz : confirm the size of the HLbL contribution