

MUON MAGNETIC MOMENT: NEW PHYSICS OR NOT?

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[2002.12347, Nature (2021)] Leading-order hadronic vacuum polariz ...

Why so fascinating?

1 Experiment.

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} = 11659206.1(4.1) \times 10^{-10}$$

bathroom scale sensitive to weight of a single eyelash



2 Theory.

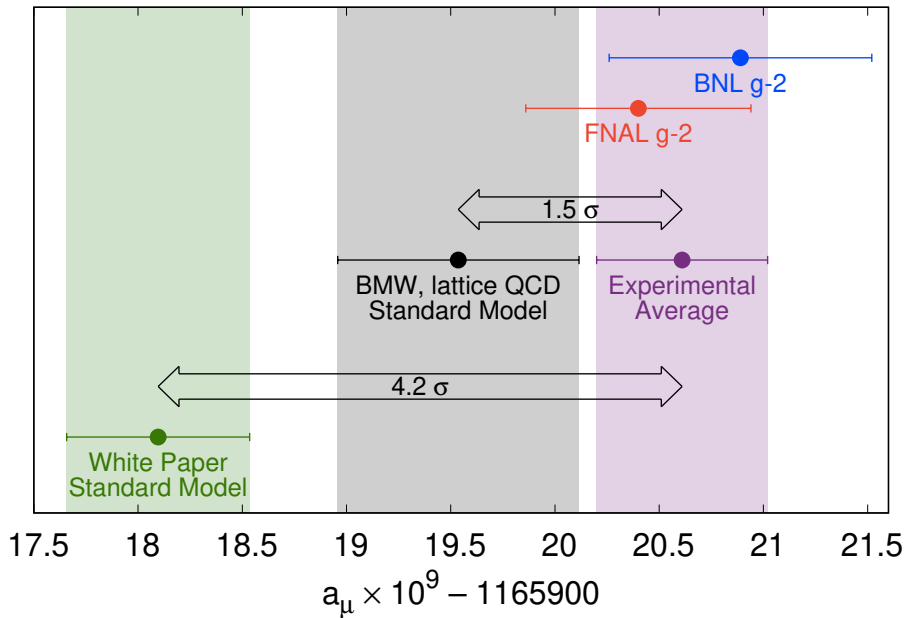
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{the}} = 11659181.0(4.3) \times 10^{-10}$$

3 They agree to eight decimal places.

4 They disagree at the ninth decimal place.

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{the}} = 25.1(5.9) \times 10^{-10}$$

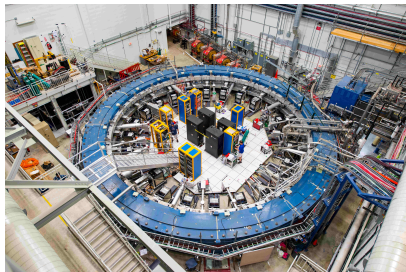
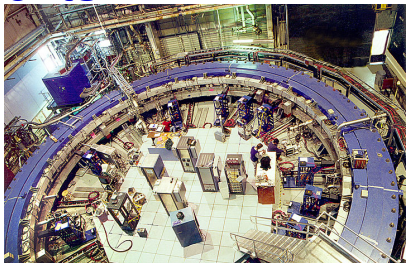
Outline



Experiments

- Brookhaven 2004:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{BNL}} = 11659209.1(6.3)$$



- Fermilab 2021:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{FNAL}} = 11659204.0(5.4)$$

- combination:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} = 11659206.1(4.1)$$

- target final error (1.6)

- J-PARC >2021

A central green circle labeled 'n' represents the nucleus. Surrounding it are various particles: a red circle, a cyan circle, a green circle labeled 'e', a magenta circle labeled 'p+', a yellow circle, a blue circle, a black circle labeled 'γ', a green helix, a black helix, a red helix, a blue helix, an orange helix, a black helix, a green helix, a blue helix, and a magenta helix labeled 'e-'. The helices are colored in various colors (green, black, red, blue, orange, magenta) and are arranged in a circular pattern around the nucleus.

- 1 QED: photons, leptons
- 2 electroweak: W, Z bosons, neutrinos, Higgs
- 3 strong: quarks and gluons

■ [2006.04822] White Paper of Muon g-2 Theory Initiative

	$a_\mu \times 10^{-10}$
QED	11658471.9(0.0)
electroweak	15.4(0.1)
strong	693.7(4.3)
total	11659181.0(4.3)

Theory: QED

- $\alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi} \ll 1 \rightarrow$ rapidly converging series, was a key to success of QED

$$\left(\frac{g-2}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) a^{(1)} + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 a^{(2)} + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 a^{(3)} + \dots$$

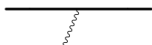
- all contributions with photons and leptons (e, μ, τ)

n-loop	$a_{\mu}^{\text{QED}} \times 10^{-10}$
1	11614097.330(0.008)
2	41321.762(0.010)
3	3014.190(0.000)
4	38.081(0.030)
5	0.448(0.140)
total	11658471.811(0.160)

- inputs are m_{μ}/m_e , m_{μ}/m_{τ} and α

Theory: QED

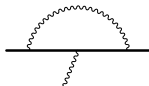
$$\alpha^0 \rightarrow g = 2$$



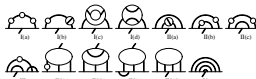
$$\alpha^3$$



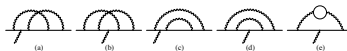
$$\alpha^1 \rightarrow \alpha/(2\pi)$$



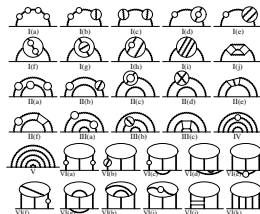
$$\alpha^4$$



$$\alpha^2$$



$$\alpha^5$$

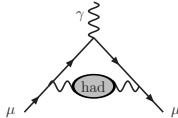


Five loops by [\[Kinoshita et al '15\]](#)

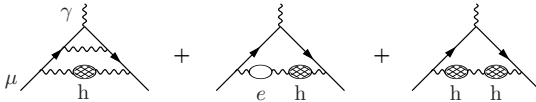
- 12672 diagrams
- automated diagram generation, numerical evaluation of integrals, only some diagrams known analytically
- not yet confirmed by other groups

Strong contributions

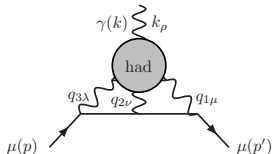
LO hadron vacuum polarization (LO-HVP, $(\frac{\alpha}{\pi})^2$)



NLO hadron vacuum polarization (NLO-HVP, $(\frac{\alpha}{\pi})^3$)



Hadronic light-by-light (HLbL, $(\frac{\alpha}{\pi})^3$)



■ pheno $a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = 10.5(2.6)$

[Prades et al '09]

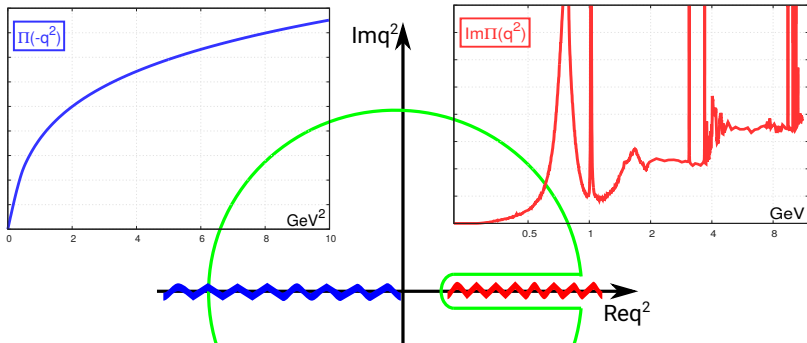
■ lattice $a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = 7.9(3.1)(1.8)$ or $10.7(1.5)$

[RBC/UKQCD '19] and [Mainz '21]

Hadronic vacuum polarization



■ $\Pi_{\mu\nu}(q) = (q_\mu q_\nu - g_{\mu\nu} q^2) \Pi(q^2)$ analytic + branch-cut



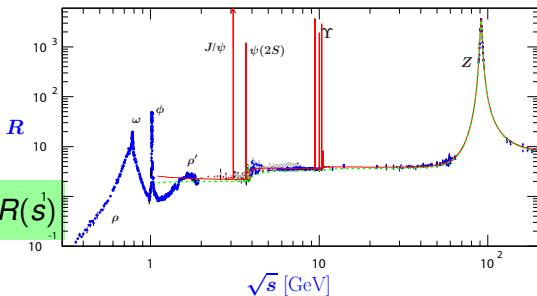
- Minkowski from R-ratio experiments
- Euclidean from lattice QCD or exp. like MUonE
- Minkowski → Euclidean via dispersion relation ($Q^2 = -q^2$)

$$\Pi(Q^2) = \int_{s_{\text{th}}}^{\infty} ds \frac{Q^2}{s(s+Q^2)} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi(s)$$

a_{μ}^{HVP} from R-ratio

Use $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{had}$ data
of CMD, SND, BES,
KLOE, BABAR, ...

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{LO-HVP}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int \frac{ds}{s^2} K_{\mu}(s) R(s)$$

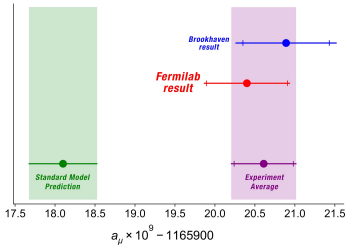


LO	[Jegerlehner '18]	688.1(4.1)	0.60%
LO	[Davier et al '19]	693.9(4.0)	0.58%
LO	[Keshavarzi et al '19]	692.78(2.42)	0.35%
LO	[Hoferichter et al '19]	692.3(3.3)	0.48%
NLO	[Kurz et al '14]	-9.87(0.09)	
NNLO	[Kurz et al '14]	1.24(0.01)	

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{QED}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{weak}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP}} = 25.1(5.9)$$

Discrepancy

- $a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{theory}} = 25.1(5.9)$ around 4.2σ significance



error budget:

$$(4.1)_{\text{exp}} (0.2)_{\text{QED}} (0.6)_{\text{weak}} (3.3)_{\text{HVP}} (2.6)_{\text{HLbL}}$$

- is about $2\times$ electroweak contribution

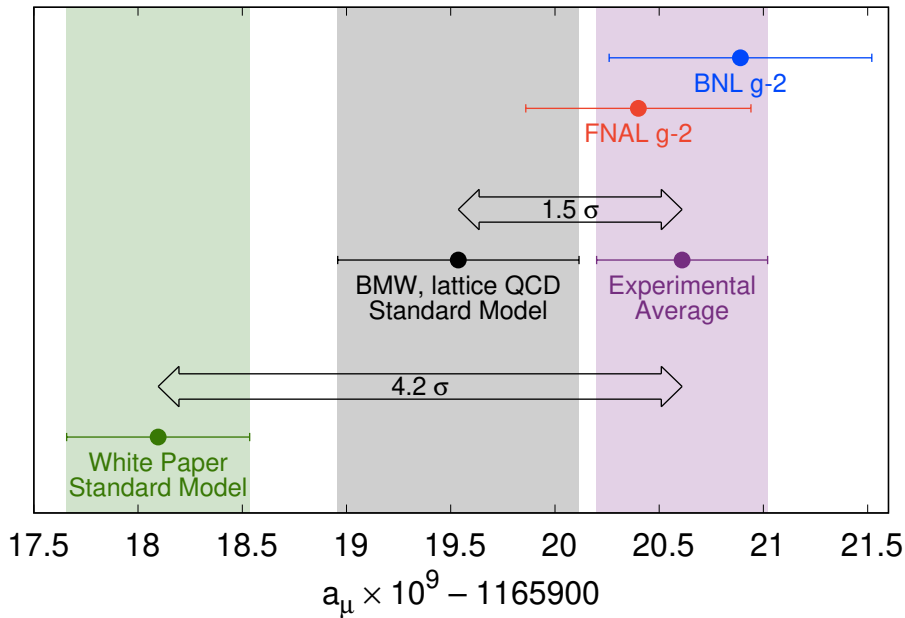
For new physics:

- final FNAL + same theory errors 6σ
- final FNAL + HLbL 10% + HVP 0.2% 11σ

For no new physics:

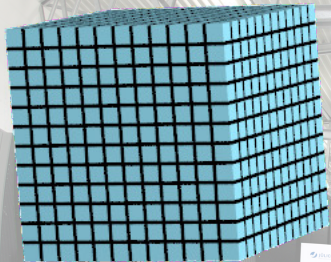
- 4% larger HVP, $a_{\mu}^{\text{LO-HVP}} = 720.0(6.8)$
- 360% larger HLbL, $a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = 37.9(7.1)$

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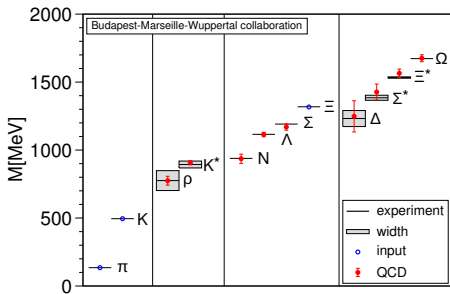


Lattice QCD

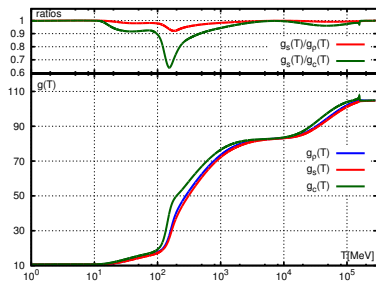
- ab-initio: use equations of QCD and nothing more
- discretize equations on space-time lattice and solve numerically (→ supercomputer)
- sum over all Feynman-diagrams at once (and beyond)
- only works in imaginary time (no problem for a_μ)



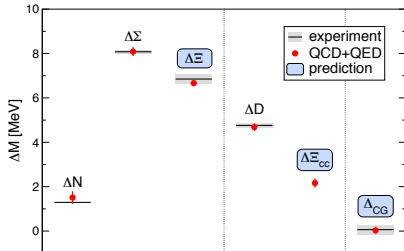
Lattice highlights



hadron spectrum [BMWc'08]



equation of state [WB '16]



neutron-proton difference [BMWc'14]

- isospin symmetry breaking (strong and QED)

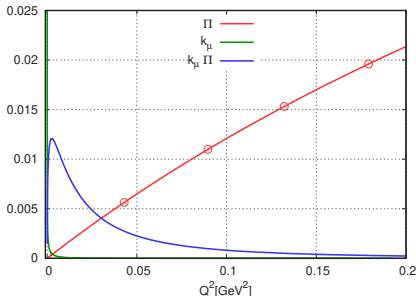
a_{μ}^{HVP} from lattice QCD

- get Π from Euclidean current-current correlator [Blum '02]

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = \int dx e^{iQx} \langle J_{\mu}(x) J_{\nu}(0) \rangle = (Q_{\mu} Q_{\nu} - \delta_{\mu\nu} Q^2) \Pi(Q^2)$$

problems: we need $\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0)$, but $\Pi(0)$ is not directly accessible; also Q is available at discrete momenta only

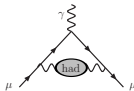
- smooth interpolation in Q and prescription for $\Pi(0)$
[Bernecker, Meyer '11], [HPQCD'14], ...



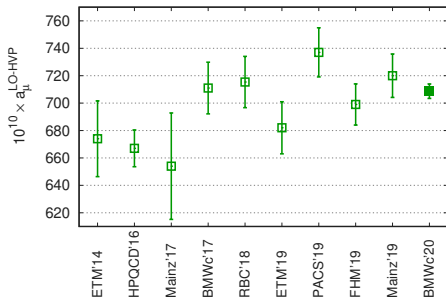
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP}} = \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi^2} \int dQ^2 k_{\mu}(Q^2) \Pi(Q^2)$$

$k_{\mu}(Q^2)$ describes the leptonic

part of diagram



a_{μ}^{HVP} from lattice QCD



several ongoing lattice efforts

BMWc'17 $\rightarrow$ BMWc'20

711.0(18.9) $\rightarrow$ 707.5(5.5)

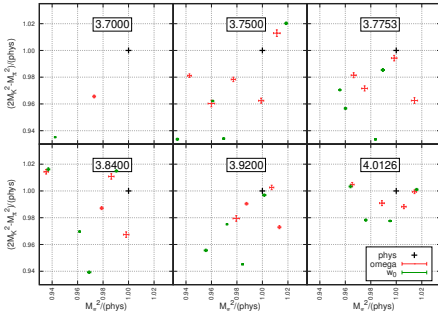
statistical (7.5) $\rightarrow$ (2.3)

finite-size (13.5) $\rightarrow$ (2.5)

cont.extrap (8.0) $\rightarrow$ (4.1)

isospin-breaking (5.1) $\rightarrow$ (1.4)

Simulations [2002.12347]



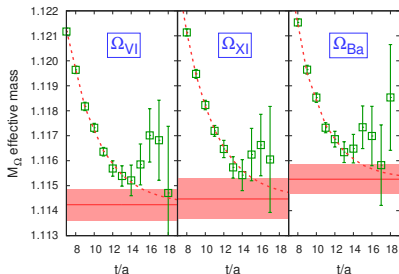
- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ staggered
- 27 high statistics simulations
- bracketing physical point
- 6 lattice spacings
- $L \sim 6$ fm, $T \sim 9$ fm
- dedicated finite-size study
- overlap crosscheck of cont.limit

Techniques

conserved current - EigCG - Low Mode Averaging [Giusti et al '04]- All Mode Averaging [Blum et al '13] - Solver Truncation [Bali et al '09] - close to 10M/40M conn/disc measurements

Setting the lattice spacing a

Q^2 in a_μ^{HVP} has to be converted to physical units $\rightarrow$ need a



- use **Omega mass** to set the scale $a = (aM_\Omega)^{\text{latt.}} / M_\Omega^{\text{exp}}$
- use multi-exponential fits and/or GEVP
- reach permil level accuracy

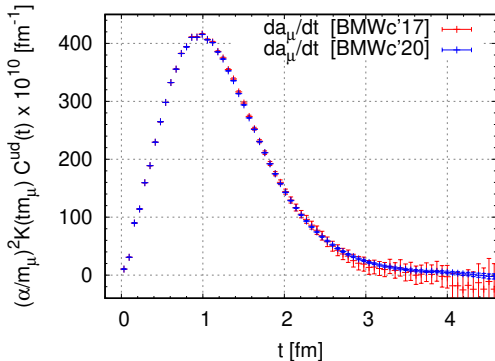
Determine an intermediate scale w_0 with four permil:

$$w_0 = 0.17236(29)(63)[70] \text{ fm}$$

- use w_0 to separate isospin breaking effects
- consistent with $w_0 = 0.1715(9) \text{ fm}$ [HPQCD'13]

Noise reduction

noise/signal in $C(t) = \langle J(t)J(0) \rangle$ grows for large distances



- Low Mode Averaging: use exact (all2all) quark propagator in IR and stochastic in UV
- decrease noise by replacing $C(t)$ by upper/lower bounds above t_c

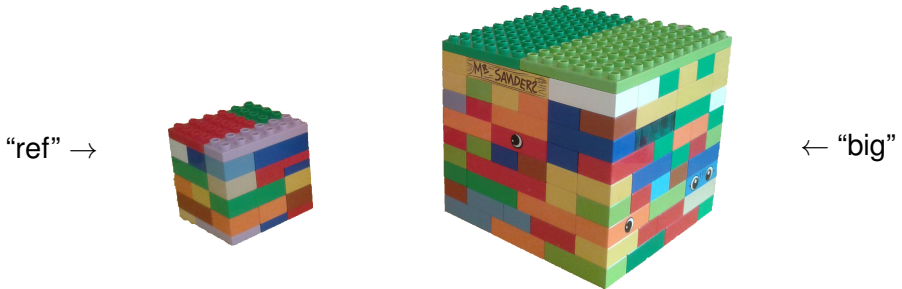
$$0 \leq C(t) \leq C(t_c) e^{-E_{2\pi}(t-t_c)}$$

→ few percent level accuracy on each ensemble

Finite-size effects

Typical runs use $L < 6$ fm, earlier model estimates gave $O(2)\%$.

- perform continuum limit in $L = 6$ fm, reference box
- on a coarse lattice compute finite size effect with $L = 11$ fm



- compare “big” - “ref” on the lattice to various models

	lattice	NNLO	MLLGS	HP	RHO
“big” - “ref”	18.1(2.0)(1.4)	15.3	18.3	16.3	15.2

- use models for remnant finite-size effect of “big” $\sim 0.1\%$

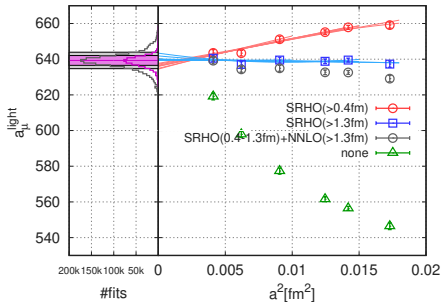
Continuum limit

Improve continuum extrapolations by models ([HPQCD'16])

$$a_\mu(a) \rightarrow a_\mu(a) + [a_\mu^{\text{RHO}} - a_\mu^{\text{SRHO}}(a)]$$

→ reduced sensitivity to β -cuts; improved slope and curvature

Systematic error:



- skip coarse lattices
- consider different models (SMLLGS/SRHO/SXPT)
- change the point, where we start applying the improvement
- use $a^2 \alpha^\Gamma [1/a]$ instead of a^2
- use linear or quadratic extrapolations

Isospin breaking

include all e^2 and $\delta m = m_d - m_u$ effects; not only for $\langle JJ \rangle$ but also for masses, scale setting

compute the derivatives

$$m_l \frac{\partial X}{\partial \delta m}$$

$$\frac{\partial X}{\partial e}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial e^2}$$

also distinguish between sea and valence electric charges

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial e_v^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 X}{\partial e_v \partial e_s}$$

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Use two approaches from the literature:

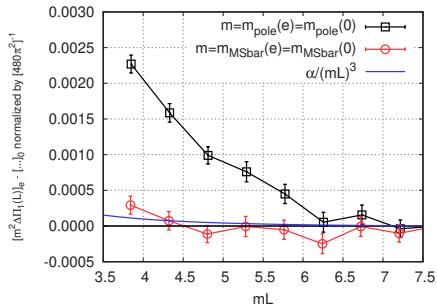
- 1 operator insertion [DeDivitiis et al '13] $\rightarrow$ sea effects
- 2 direct approach [Eichten et al '97] $\rightarrow$ valence effects

$$\partial_e^2 X \approx \frac{1}{e^2} [X_{+e} + X_{-e} - 2X_0]$$

Isospin breaking

QED finite size effects

- masses $\rightarrow$ universal α/L
[BMWc'14,Davoudi-Savage'14]
- HVP $\rightarrow$ tiny α/L^3 [Bijnens et al'19] verified in scalar QED



Isospin decomposition

$$\langle O \rangle_{\text{iso}}$$

$$\langle O \rangle_{\text{qed}}$$

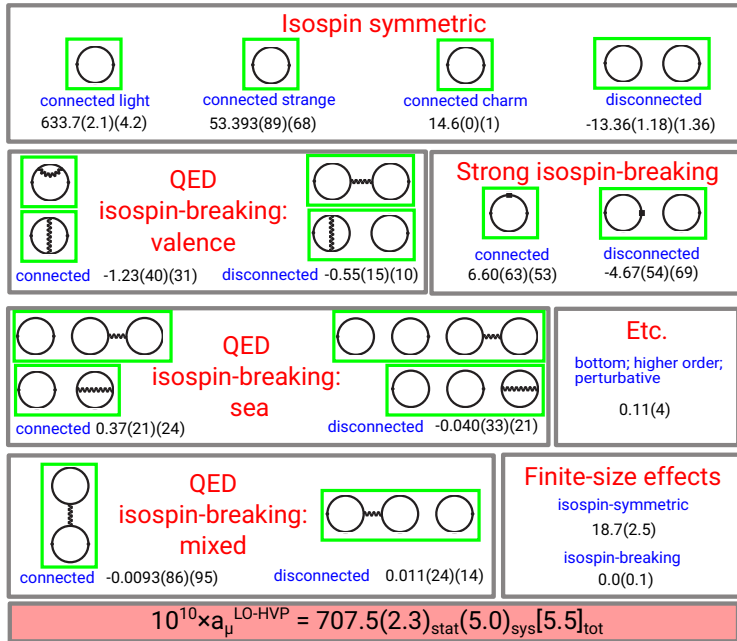
$$\langle O \rangle_{\text{sib}}$$

use a hadronic scheme based on w_0 and M_{uu} , M_{dd} , M_{ss} masses

Comparison with others

good agreement w/ [RBC'18] [ETMC'19] [HPQCD'18]

Overview of contributions



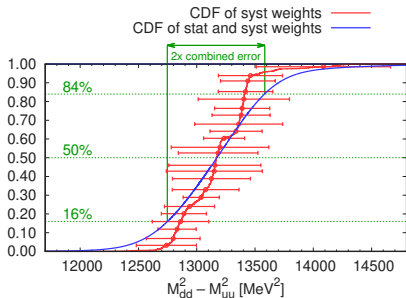
Global analysis

expand observable Y around physical point:

$$Y = A + BX_l + CX_s + DX_{\delta m} + Ee_v^2 + Fe_v e_s + Ge_s^2$$

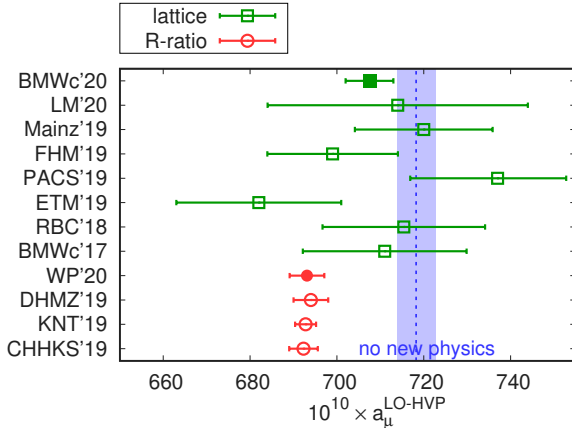
B,C: light/strange quark dependence; **D**: strong isospin breaking; **E,F,G**: sea/valence electric charge

- determine $A, B, \dots$ from χ^2 -fit to all ensembles
- isospin breaking derivatives can be incorporated easily



Many thousands of fits depending on measurement procedure, functional form of $A, B, \dots$ and so on. Build weighted histogram and read off central value and error (stat and syst).

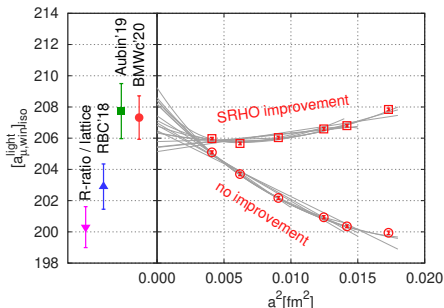
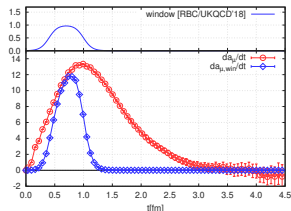
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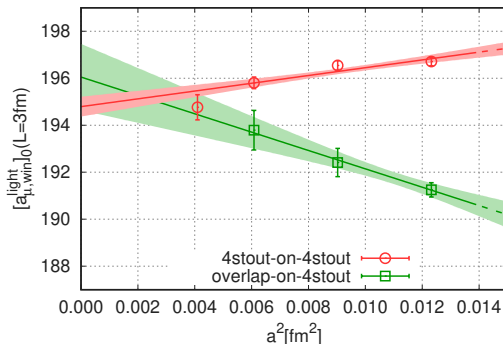
Crosscheck - window

- restrict correlator to window
0.4 – 1.0 fm [RBC/UKQCD'18]
- fewer difficulties



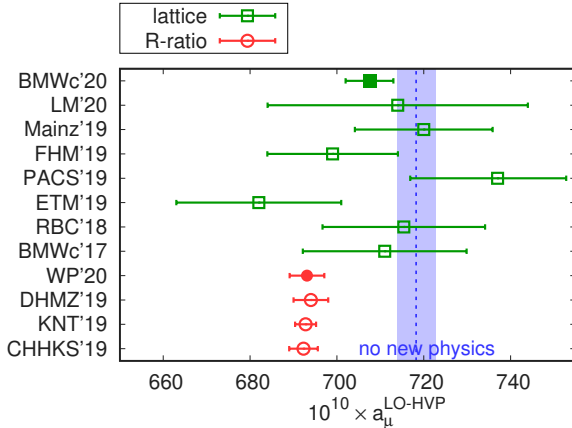
good agreement w/ other lattice, but 3.7σ tension with R-ratio

Crosscheck - overlap



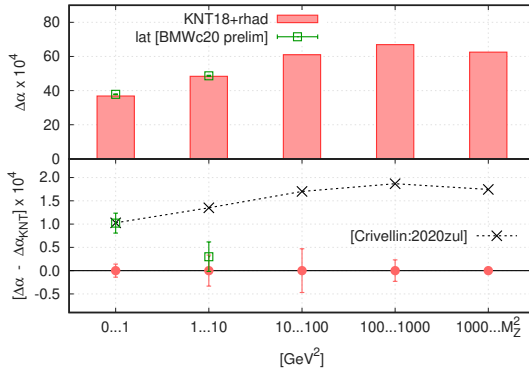
- compute $a_{\mu, \text{win}}$ with overlap valence
- local current instead of conserved $\rightarrow$ had to compute Z_V
- cont.limit in $L = 3 \text{ fm}$ box consistent w/ staggered valence

Final result



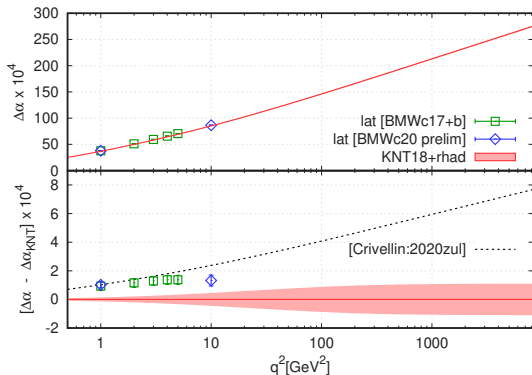
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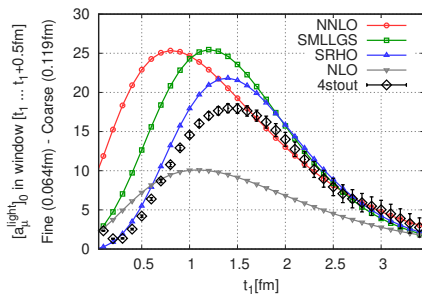


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Continuum limit

large lattice artefacts due to staggered **taste violations**, can be described by

- 1 NNLO **S**XPT based on [Lee,Sharpe,VandeWater,Bailey $\geq$ '98]
→ depends only on 1 LEC (l_6) and masses of pion tastes
- 2 **S**RHO [Jegerlehner,Szafron'11;HPQCD'16] → depends on the mass and decay parameters of rho
- 3 **S**MLLGS [Meyer,Lellouch,Luscher,Gounaris,Sakurai...]



for $t \gtrsim 2.0$ fm reproduce discretization effects well (not fits)