

# Multi-level integration in the presence of fermions: the case of the hadronic contribution to $(g - 2)_\mu$

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*Dalla Brida, LG, Harris, Pepe, PLB 816 (2021) 136191 [arXiv:2007.02973]*

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# Outline

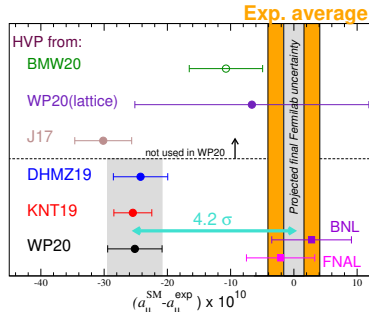
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# Introduction and motivations

[Aoyama et al. 20, Abi et al. 21]

Contribution	Section	Equation	Value $\times 10^{11}$	References
Experiment (E821)		Eq. (8.13)	116 592 089(63)	Ref. [1]
HVP LO ( $e^+e^-$ )	Sec. 2.3.7	Eq. (2.33)	6931(40)	Refs. [2–7]
HVP NLO ( $e^+e^-$ )	Sec. 2.3.8	Eq. (2.34)	-98.3(7)	Ref. [7]
HVP NNLO ( $e^+e^-$ )	Sec. 2.3.8	Eq. (2.35)	12.4(1)	Ref. [8]
HVP LO (lattice, $udsc$ )	Sec. 3.5.1	Eq. (3.49)	7116(184)	Refs. [9–17]
HLbL (phenomenology)	Sec. 4.9.4	Eq. (4.92)	92(19)	Refs. [18–30]
HLbL NLO (phenomenology)	Sec. 4.8	Eq. (4.91)	2(1)	Ref. [31]
HLbL (lattice, $uds$ )	Sec. 5.7	Eq. (5.49)	79(35)	Ref. [32]
HLbL (phenomenology + lattice)	Sec. 8	Eq. (8.10)	90(17)	Refs. [18–30, 32]
QED	Sec. 6.5	Eq. (6.30)	116 584 718.931(104)	Refs. [33, 34]
Electroweak	Sec. 7.4	Eq. (7.16)	153.6(1.0)	Refs. [35, 36]
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Total SM Value	Sec. 8	Eq. (8.12)	116 591 810(43)	Refs. [2–8, 18–24, 31–36]
Difference: $\Delta a_\mu := a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}}$	Sec. 8	Eq. (8.14)	279(76)	

- ▶ E989 expected to reduce exp. uncertainty by 4
- ▶ To match E989 final uncertainty, **2% precision** required for the Hadronic SM contribution
- ▶ Lattice has to improve by a factor 4–15
- ▶ *We need to develop new strategies to make lattice computations for  $(g-2)_\mu$  significantly cheaper and therefore more precise and reliable*
- ▶ In particular: reduce stat. errors at large distances, access smaller lattice spacings and larger volumes, ...



Plot courtesy of G. Colangelo

# The bottleneck: signal/noise ratio for HVP (HLbL, ...)

- ▶ The HVP contribution to  $a_\mu = (g - 2)_\mu/2$  reads

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dx_0 K(x_0, m_\mu) G(x_0)$$

where

$$G(x_0) = \int d^3x \langle J_k^{\text{em}}(x) J_k^{\text{em}}(0) \rangle$$

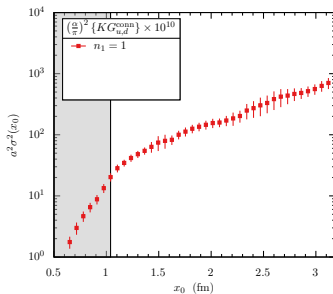
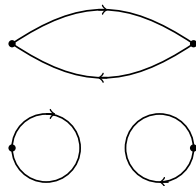
with  $K(x_0, m_\mu)$  being a known function

- ▶ For the light-connected contribution (by far the largest)

$$\frac{\sigma_{u,d}^2 \text{conn}(x_0)}{[G_{u,d}^{\text{conn}}(x_0)]^2} \propto \frac{1}{n_{\text{cnfg}}} e^{2(M_\rho - M_\pi)|x_0|}$$

where  $M_\rho$  is the lightest state in that channel.

- ▶ For disconnected contribution is worse since the variance of the correlator is constant in time



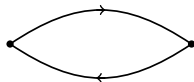
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# Signal/noise ratio: the rôle of pions

- By defining  $Q = \gamma_5 D$  and

$$W_\pi(y_0, x) = \sum_{\vec{y}} \text{Tr} \left\{ Q^{-1}(y, x) [Q^{-1}(y, x)]^\dagger \right\}$$



at large time distances the pion propagator and its variance go as

$$C_\pi(y_0, x_0) = \langle W_\pi(y_0, x) \rangle \propto e^{-M_\pi |y_0 - x_0|} \quad \sigma_\pi^2(y_0, x_0) \propto e^{-2M_\pi |y_0 - x_0|}$$

and therefore the signal/noise ratio is (almost) constant

- Indeed, when  $|y - x| \rightarrow \infty$ , numerical simulations confirm that

$$\text{Tr} \left\{ Q^{-1}(y, x) [Q^{-1}(y, x)]^\dagger \right\} \propto e^{-M_\pi |y - x|}$$

for every background field in the representative ensemble. The size of each quark line,  $\exp\{-M_\pi |y - x|/2\}$ , is responsible for large fluctuations in other connected correlators

- The suppression of the propagator with the distance between source and sink, however, is also the clue for the solution . . . . .

# Signal/noise ratio: very generic problem

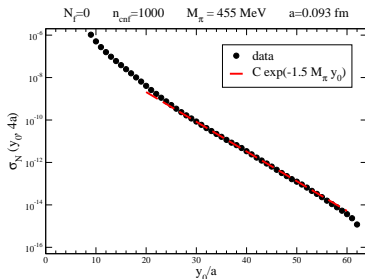
## ► Nucleon propagator

$$C_N(y_0, x_0) = \langle W_N(y_0, x_0) \rangle \propto e^{-M_N |y_0 - x_0|}$$

when  $|y_0 - x_0| \rightarrow \infty$  goes as [Parisi 84; Lepage 89]

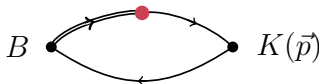
$$\sigma_N^2(y_0, x_0) \propto e^{-3M_\pi |y_0 - x_0|}$$

and analogously for other baryonic correlation functions



## ► Semileptonic $B$ decays. Two (noisy) basic building blocks:

- Mesons with (large) non-zero momentum
- Static quark line



# Multi-level integration

[Parisi, Petronzio, Rapuano 83; Lüscher, Weisz 01; ...; Meyer 02; LG, Della Morte 08 10, ...]

- ▶ If the action and the observable can be factorized

$$S[U] = S_0[U_{\Omega_0}] + S_2[U_{\Omega_2}] + \dots$$
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then

$$\langle O[U] \rangle = \langle \langle O_0[U_{\Omega_0}] \rangle \rangle_{\Lambda_0} \times \langle \langle O_2[U_{\Omega_2}] \rangle \rangle_{\Lambda_2} \rangle_{\Lambda_1}$$

where

$$\langle \langle O_0[U_{\Omega_0}] \rangle \rangle_{\Lambda_0} = \frac{1}{Z_{\Lambda_0}} \int \mathcal{D}U_{\Lambda_0} e^{-S_0[U_{\Omega_0}]} O_0[U_{\Omega_0}]$$

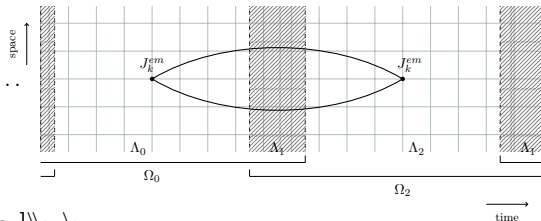
- ▶ Two-level integration:

- $n_0$  configurations  $U_{\Lambda_1}$
- $n_1$  configurations  $U_{\Lambda_0}$  and  $U_{\Lambda_2}$  for each  $U_{\Lambda_1}$

- ▶ If  $\langle \langle \cdot \rangle \rangle_{\Lambda_i}$  can be computed efficiently with a statistical error comparable to its central value, then the prefactor in the signal/noise ratio changes as (until S/N problem solved)

$$n_0 \rightarrow n_0 n_1^2$$

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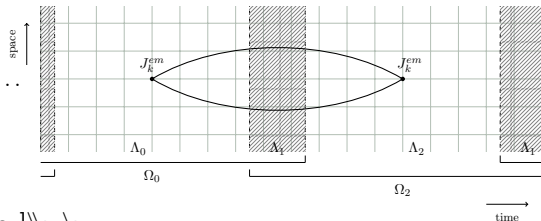
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- ▶ With more active blocks, at the cost of approximately  $n_0 n_1$  level-0 configurations,

$$n_0 \rightarrow n_0 n_1^{n_{\text{block}}}$$

and the gain increases exponentially with the distance since  $n_{\text{block}} \propto |y_0 - x_0|$ . For the same relative accuracy of the correlator, the computational effort would then increase approximately linearly with the distance

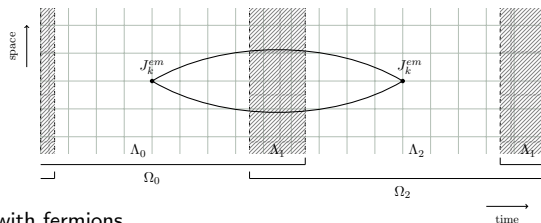


# Multi-level integration with fermions

[Cè, LG, Schaefer 16; Dalla Brida, LG, Harris, Pepe 20]

► Thanks to

- \* Overlapping Domain Decomp.
- \* Multi-Boson representation



multi-level integration also possible with fermions

► The effective action (determinant of the Dirac operator) can be decomposed as

$$\det D = \frac{\det(1 - \omega)}{\det D_{\Lambda_1} \det D_{\Omega_0}^{-1} \det D_{\Omega_2}^{-1}}$$

and for 2 flavours, for instance, can be represented as

$$\{\det D^\dagger D\}^2 = \int \mathcal{D}\phi \dots \exp\{-S_0[U_{\Omega_0}, \dots] - S_1[U_{\Lambda_1}, \dots] - S_2[U_{\Omega_2}, \dots]\}$$

► Factorization thanks to different representations of various quark-path contributions:

- \* Pseudo-fermions for paths with no loops around  $\Lambda_1$
- \* Multi-Bosons for paths with  $1-N$  loops ( $N$  is the number of Multi-Bosons)
- \* Reweighting factor for paths with more than  $N$  loops

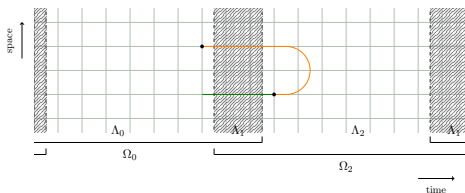
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- ▶ The matrix  $\omega$  is

$$\omega = P_{\partial\Lambda_0} D_{\Omega_0}^{-1} D_{\Lambda_{1,2}} D_{\Omega_2}^{-1} D_{\Lambda_{1,0}}$$

which is also:

- similar to  $\omega^\dagger$



- ▶ We can expand again  $(1 - \omega)^{-1}$  in series  
[Lüscher 93; Borici, de Forcrand 95; Jegerlehner 95]

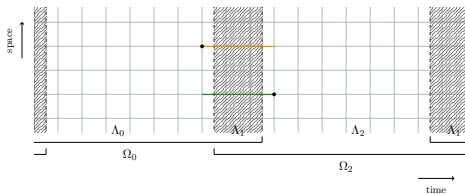
$$\frac{1}{\det[(1 - \omega)^{-1}]} = \frac{1}{\det[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \omega^n]} \propto \prod_{k=1}^{N/2} \frac{1}{\det\{(u_k - \omega)^\dagger (u_k - \omega)\}} + \dots$$

where  $u_k = e^{i \frac{2\pi k}{N+1}}$  are the roots of  $P_N(\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^N \omega^n$

# Multi-boson block factorization

- By defining the matrix

$$W_z = \begin{pmatrix} z P_{\partial\Lambda_0} & P_{\partial\Lambda_0} D_{\Omega_0}^{-1} D_{\Lambda_{1,2}} \\ P_{\partial\Lambda_2} D_{\Omega_2}^{-1} D_{\Lambda_{1,0}} & z P_{\partial\Lambda_2} \end{pmatrix}$$



we can re-write

the **auxiliary multi-boson fields** can be introduced **on both boundaries** so that for  $N_f = 2$  [Lüscher 93; Borici, de Forcrand 95; Jegerlehner 95]

$$\prod_{k=1}^{N/2} \frac{1}{\det\{(u_k - \omega)^\dagger (u_k - \omega)\}} = \prod_{k=1}^N \left\{ \int [d\chi_k d\chi_k^\dagger] e^{-|W_{\sqrt{u_k} \chi_k}|^2} \right\}$$

where, by defining  $\eta_k = P_{\partial\Lambda_0} \chi_k$  and  $\xi_k = P_{\partial\Lambda_2} \chi_k$ ,

$$|W_z \chi_k|^2 = |P_{\partial\Lambda_0} D_{\Omega_0}^{-1} D_{\Lambda_{1,2}} \xi_k|^2 + |P_{\partial\Lambda_2} D_{\Omega_2}^{-1} D_{\Lambda_{1,0}} \eta_k|^2 + z(\eta_k, D_{\Omega_0}^{-1} D_{\Lambda_{1,2}} \xi_k) + \dots$$

- The dependence of the full bosonic action from the links in  $\Lambda_0$  and  $\Lambda_2$  is thus factorized. The (small) direct coupling, *due to quarks looping up to  $N$  times around the boundaries*, is replaced by a block-local interaction of links with  $N/2$  multi-boson fields per flavour

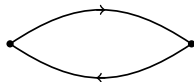
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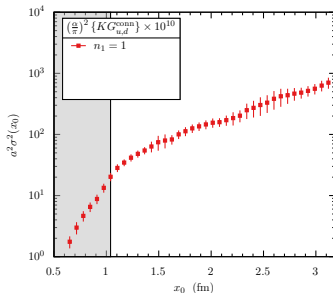
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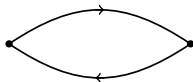
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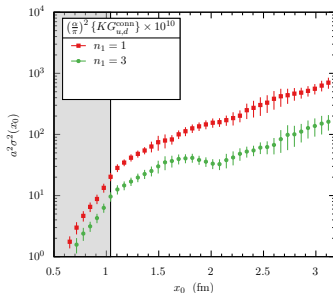
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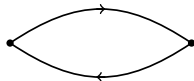
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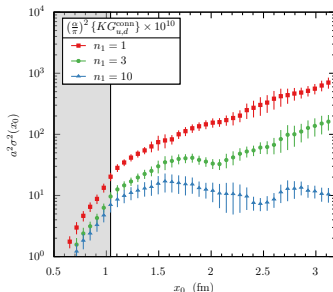
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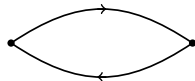
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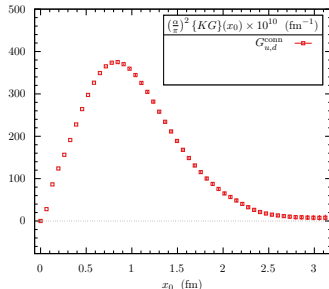
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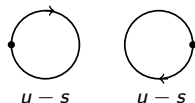
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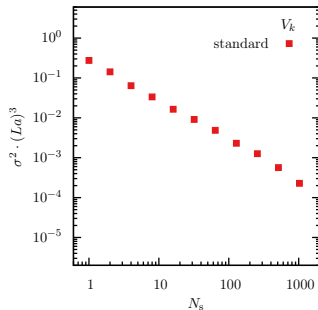


- ▶ Standard stochastic estimator [ $\langle \eta(x) \eta^\dagger(y) \rangle = \delta_{xy}$ ]

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is expensive. It requires  $O(10^4)$  random fields  $\eta$  for its  $\sigma^2$  to be dominated by gauge fluctuations

Why random noise much larger than gauge one?  
Computable and understandable in QFT





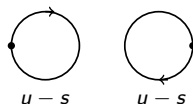
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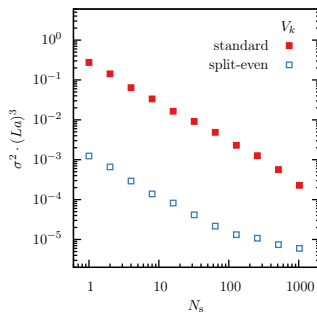


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requires  $O(10^2)$  random fields  $\eta$  to hit gauge noise. Gain: 2 orders of magnitude. Definition suggested by the QFT analysis of the variance.

Used in the past for pseudoscalar density in TMQCD (one-end trick) [ETM Coll. 08, 12]



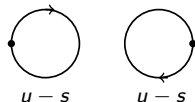
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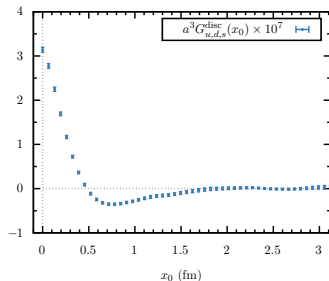


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combined with multi-level integration is a solution for a precise computation of the disconnected contribution

It is already being applied in production phase for HVP and other quantities by CLS



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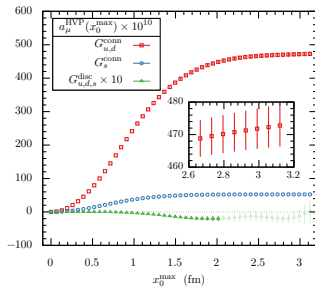
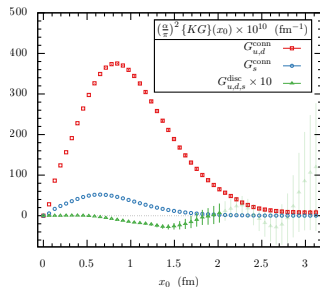
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- With 2-level integration achieved 1% precision with just  $n_0 \cdot n_1 = 250$  configurations

- The contribution to the variance from the long distance part becomes negligible

- With lighter quarks, the gain due to the 2-level integration is even more dramatic since  $(M_\rho - M_\pi)$  increases significantly



# Conclusions & Outlook

- ▶ Per mille precision and accuracy on HVP is the challenge for lattice QCD
- ▶ Our strategy: new integration and estimators (better “machine” and “experiment”)
- ▶ Multi-level integration reduces the variance exponentially:
  - with the time-distance of the currents
  - when pion mass gets lighter (physical point)
- ▶ Next step: R&D  $\implies$  production. Significant human and numerical resources needed
- ▶ Analogous variance-reduction pattern expected to work out also for lattice calibration, electromagnetic corrections, HLbL, baryons, ...

