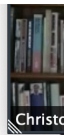


Consistency of the hadronic vacuum polarization between lattice QCD and the R-ratio

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The role of the hadronic vacuum polarization for the muon $g-2$

What is a muon?

- ▶ Elementary point-like particle
- ▶ Same electric charge as an electron
- ▶ Approximately **200** times heavier than an electron
- ▶ Like the electron, behaves as if it was intrinsically **spinning** about a vector \vec{S}



These properties combine to give it a magnetic moment

$$\vec{\mu} = g \left(\frac{e}{2m} \right) \vec{S}$$

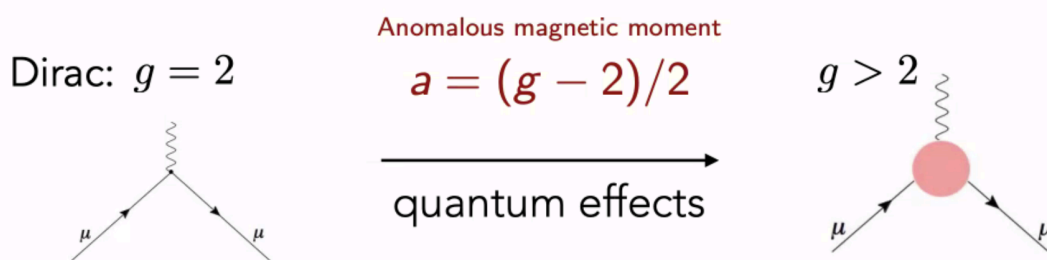
such that when put in a magnetic field, it exhibits precession similar to a spinning top.

We can measure this precession **very** precisely.

The magnetic moment and quantum corrections



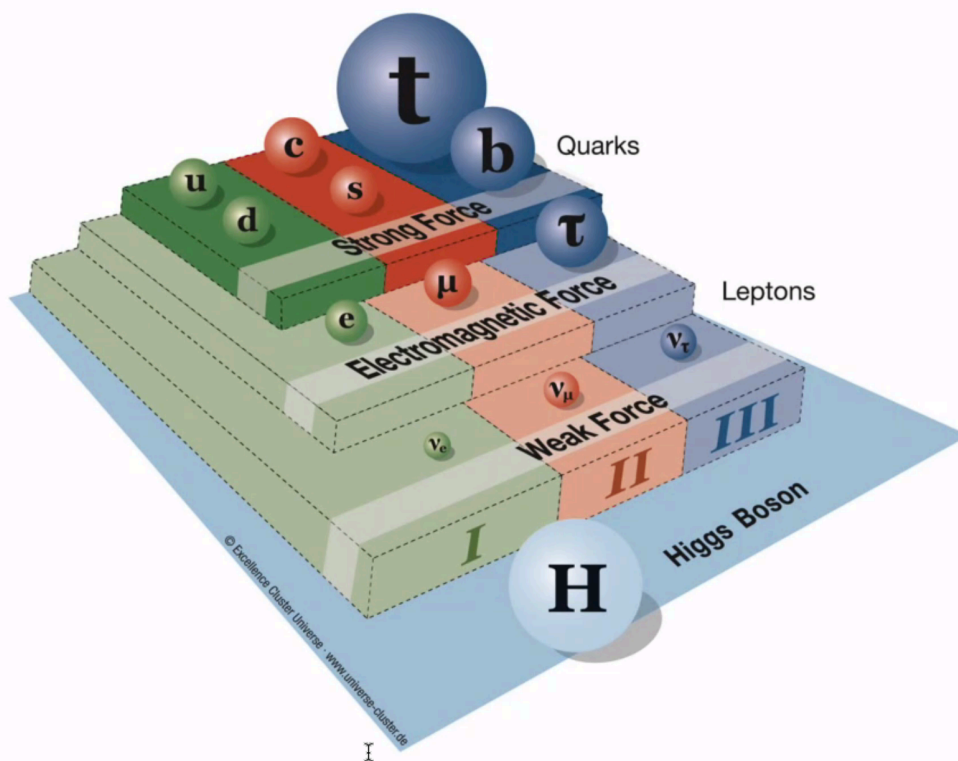
The g -factor in $\vec{\mu} = g \left(\frac{e}{2m}\right) \vec{S}$ describes the strength of coupling to a magnetic field, which can be computed from theory also **very** precisely.



The quantum effects arise from virtual particle contributions from all known **and unknown** particles.

By comparing high-precision experiments and theory, we have the potential to learn about such contributions of new particles.

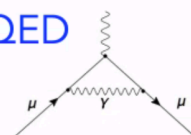
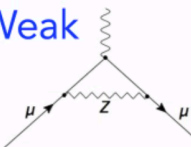
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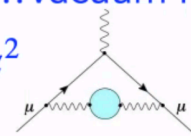
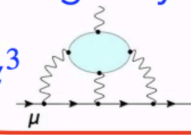
Open questions: dark matter, size of matter-antimatter asymmetry, origin of neutrino masses, ... \Rightarrow **Standard Model is incomplete**

Contributions from known particles: The Standard Model

$$a_{\mu}(\text{SM}) = a_{\mu}(\text{QED}) + a_{\mu}(\text{Weak}) + a_{\mu}(\text{Hadronic})$$

<p>QED</p>  <p>+ ...</p>	$116\,584\,718.9(1) \times 10^{-11}$	<p>0.001 ppm</p>
<p>Weak</p>  <p>+ ...</p>	$153.6(1.0) \times 10^{-11}$	<p>0.01 ppm</p>

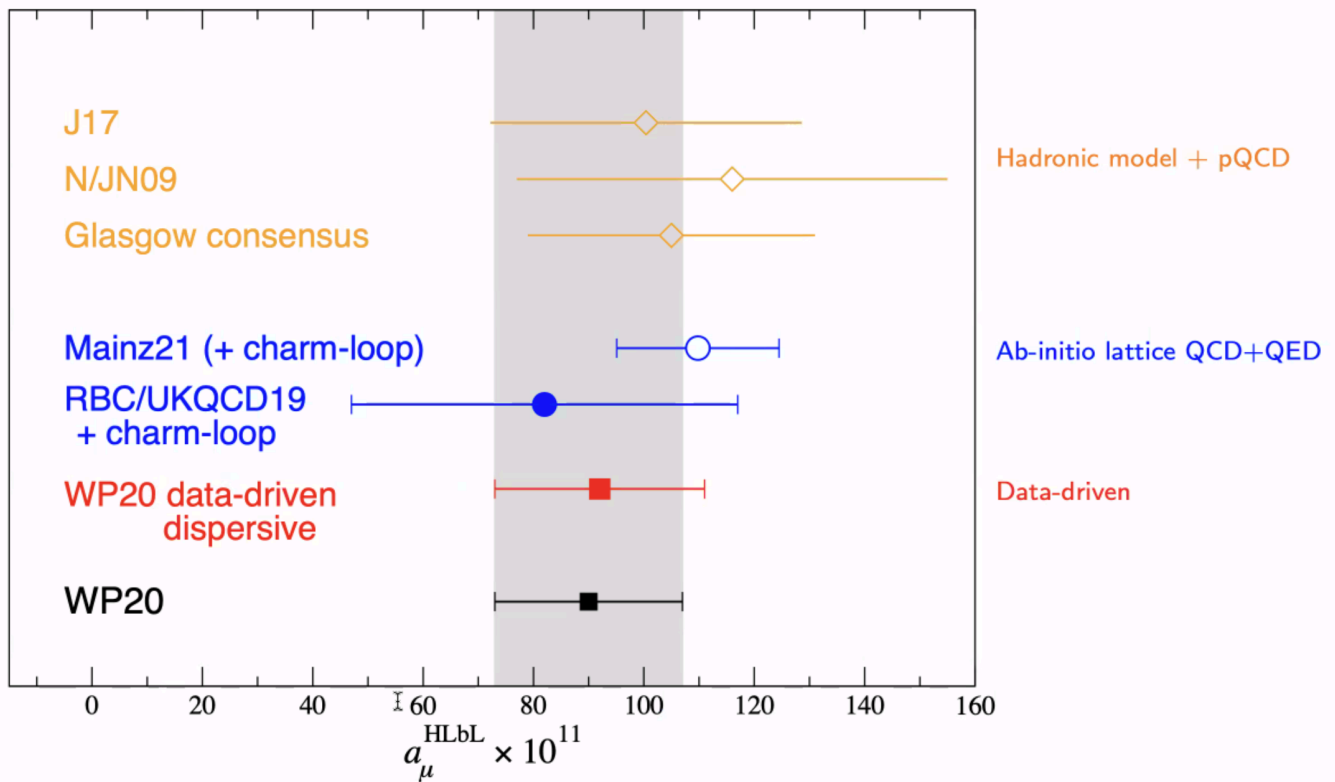
Hadronic...

<p>...Vacuum Polarization (HVP)</p> <p>α^2</p>  <p>+ ...</p>	$6845(40) \times 10^{-11}$ [0.6%]	<p>0.37 ppm</p>
<p>...Light-by-Light (HLbL)</p> <p>α^3</p>  <p>+ ...</p>	$92(18) \times 10^{-11}$ [20%]	<p>0.15 ppm</p>

Numbers from Theory Initiative Whitepaper

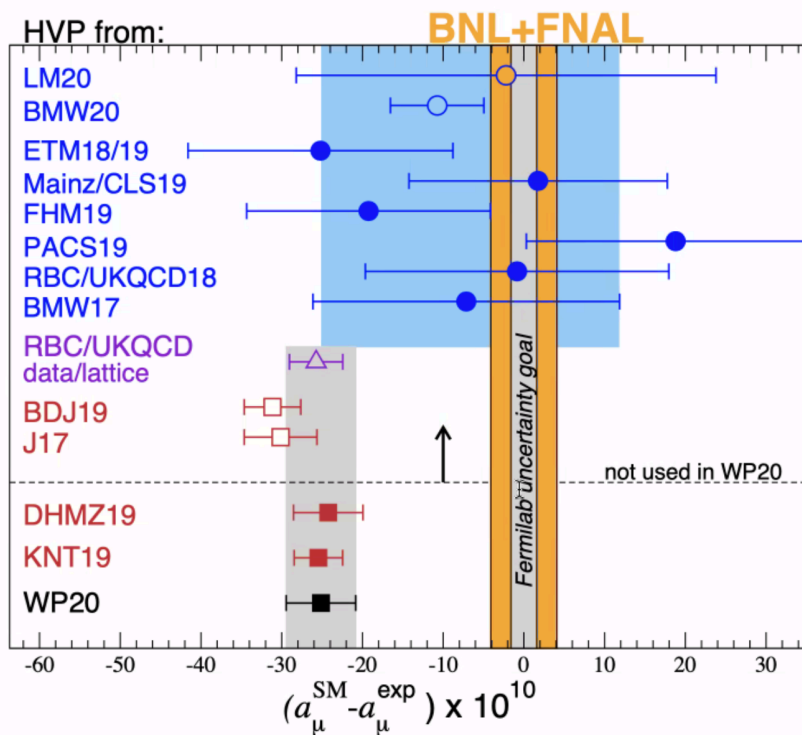
Uncertainty dominated by hadronic contributions

Status of hadronic light-by-light contribution



Systematically improvable methods are maturing; uncertainty to a_μ controlled at 0.15ppm; **cross-checks detailed in Theory Initiative whitepaper**

Status and impact of hadronic vacuum polarization contribution



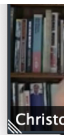
Ab-initio lattice QCD(+QED) calculations are maturing

Difficult problem: scales from $2m_\pi$ to several GeV enter; cross-checks needed at high precision

Hybrid window method restricts scales that enter from lattice/dispersive data

Dispersive, $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ (20+ years of experiments)

Now first published lattice result with sub-percent precision available (BMW20), cross-checks are crucial to establish or refute high-precision lattice methodology (same situation as for HLbL)



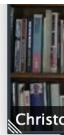
Summary of HVP status:

- ▶ Decades of e^+e^- dispersive results suggest a strong tension (4.2σ)
- ▶ A single lattice result (BMW20) suggests only minimal tension (1.5σ)

How can we move forward in our understanding? Main topic of this talk.

Two main questions:

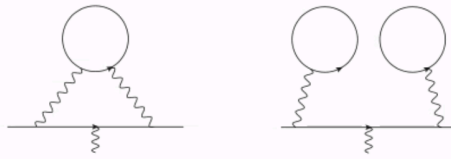
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- ▶ Consistency of lattice results with R-ratio



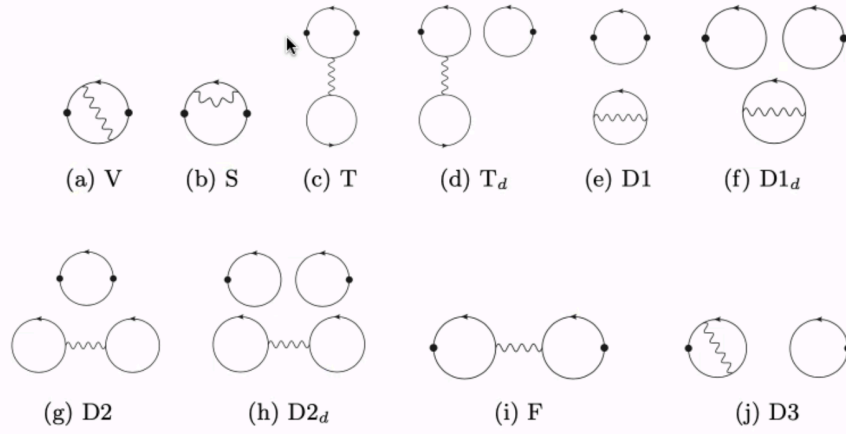
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Diagrams

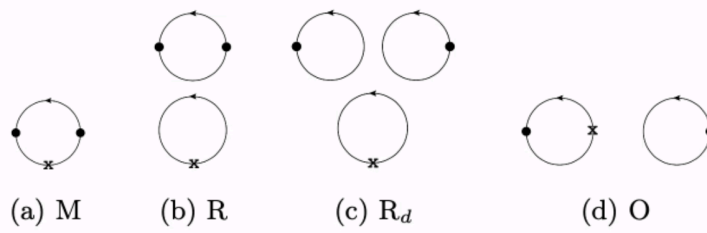
Isospin
limit



QED
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Strong
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Diagrams – Isospin limit

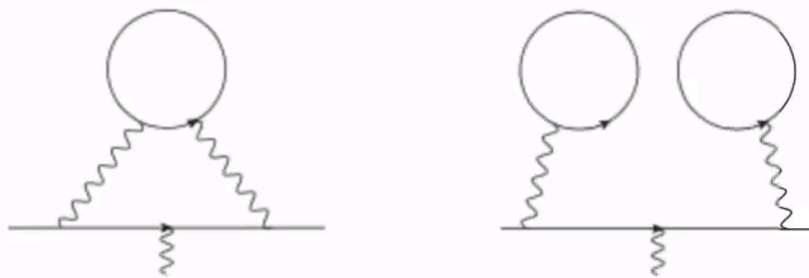
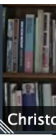
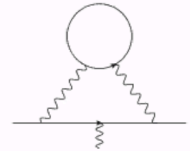


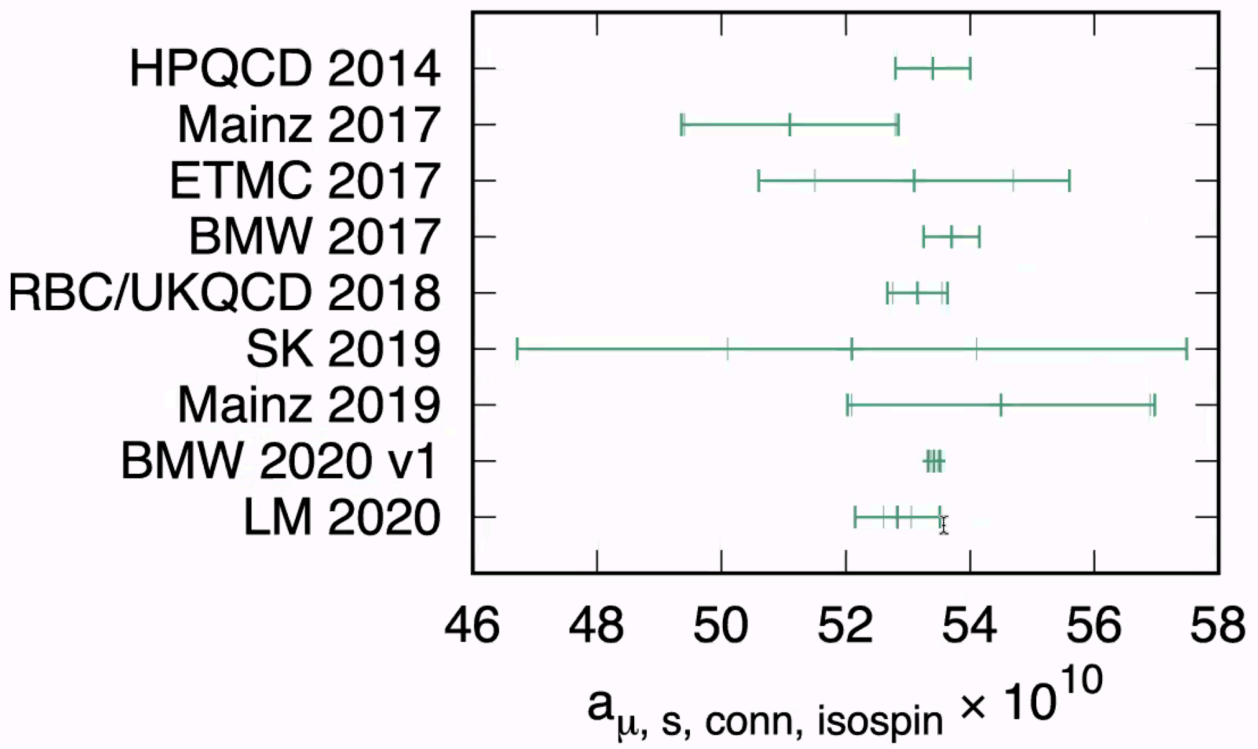
FIG. 1. Quark-connected (left) and quark-disconnected (right) diagram for the calculation of $a_\mu^{\text{HVP LO}}$. We do not draw gluons but consider each diagram to represent all orders in QCD.

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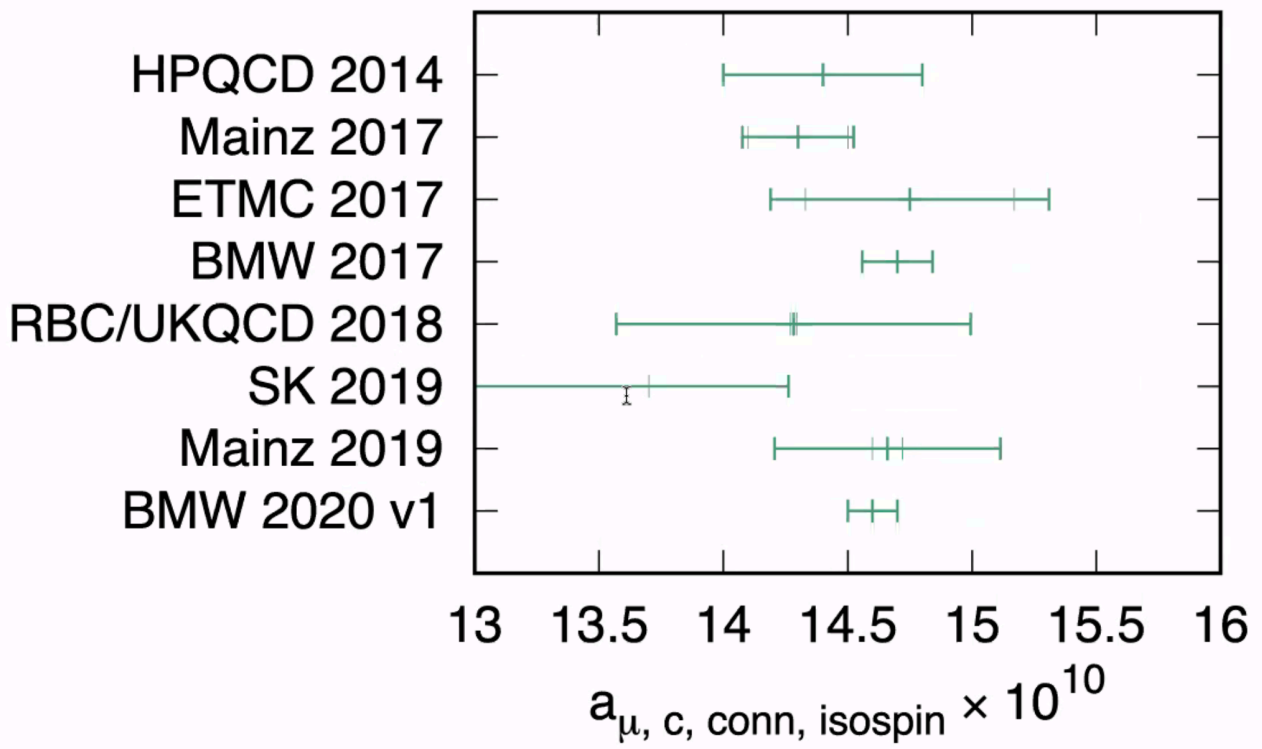
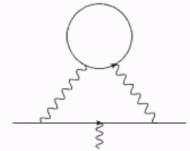
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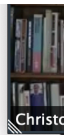


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Charm

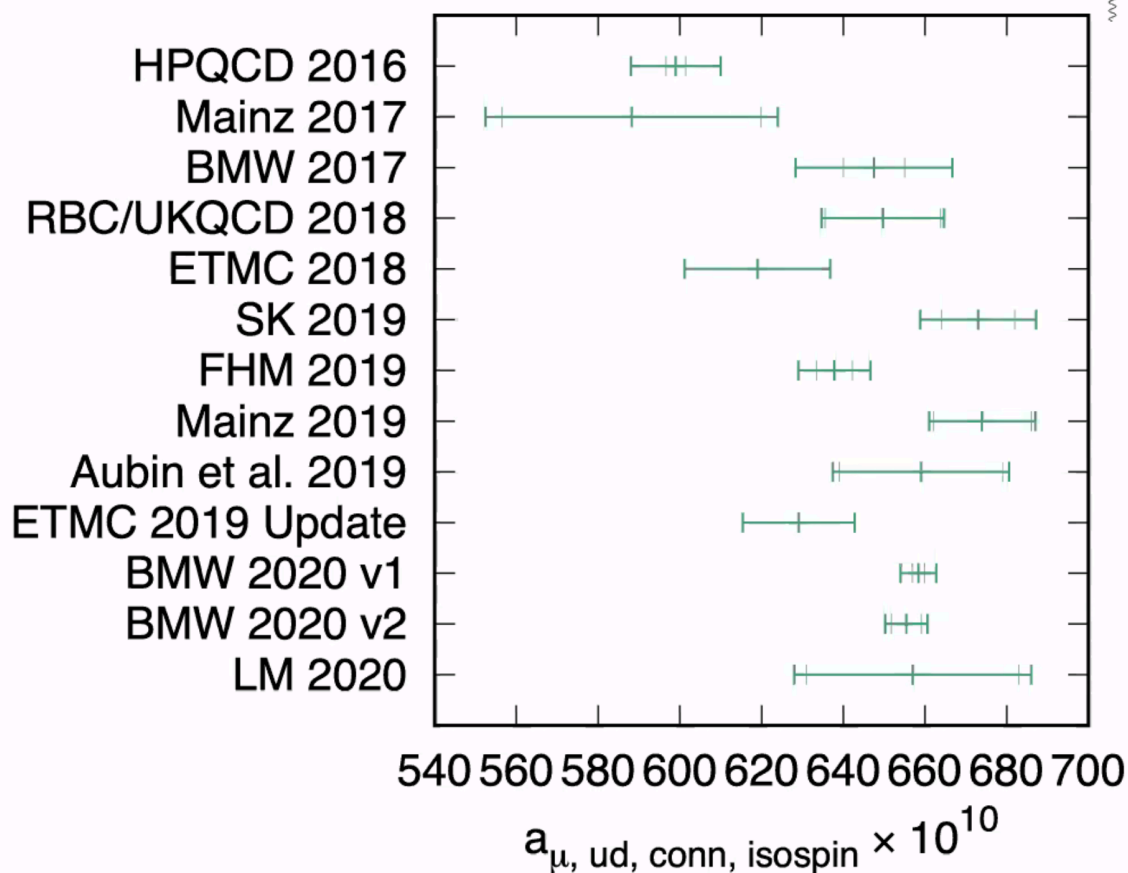
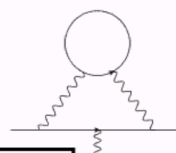




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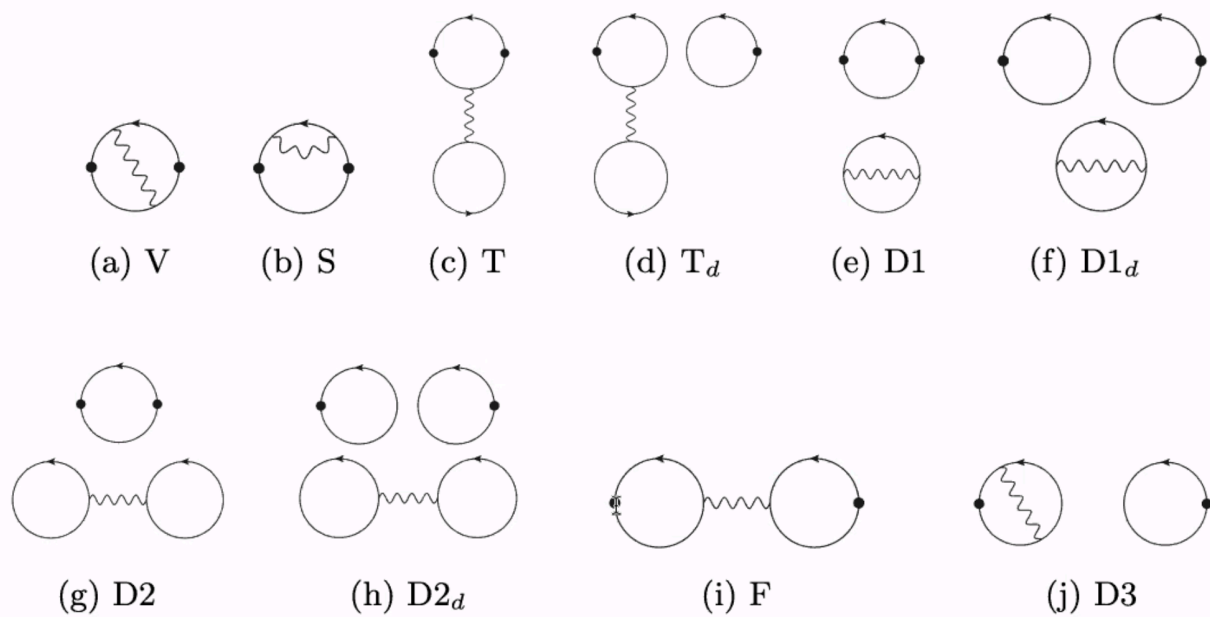
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Up, down; isospin symmetric limit; $m_\pi = m_\pi^0$

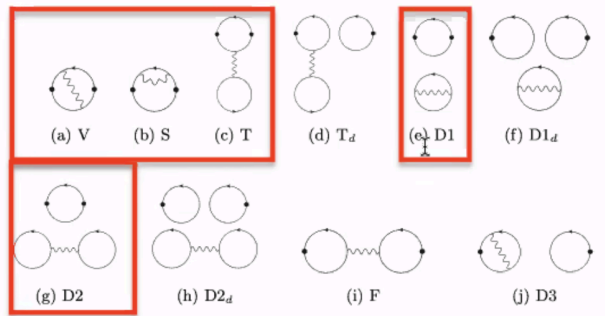


Some tensions to be understood

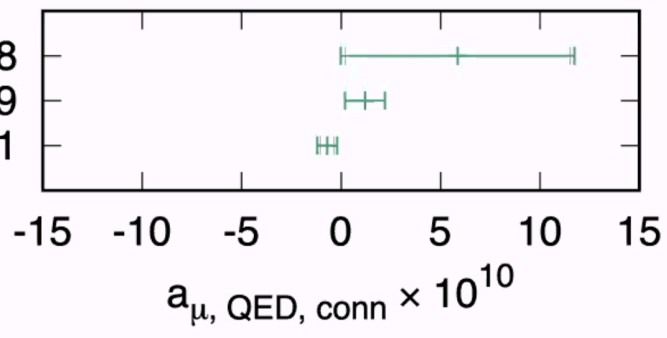
Diagrams – QED corrections

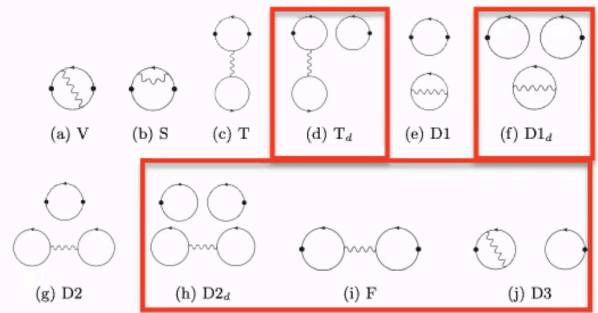


For diagram F we enforce exchange of gluons between the quark loops as otherwise a cut through a single photon line would be possible. This single-photon contribution is counted as part of the HVP NLO and not included for the HVP LO.

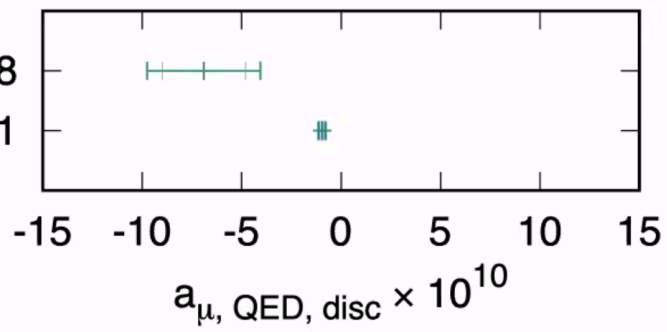


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 ETMC 2019
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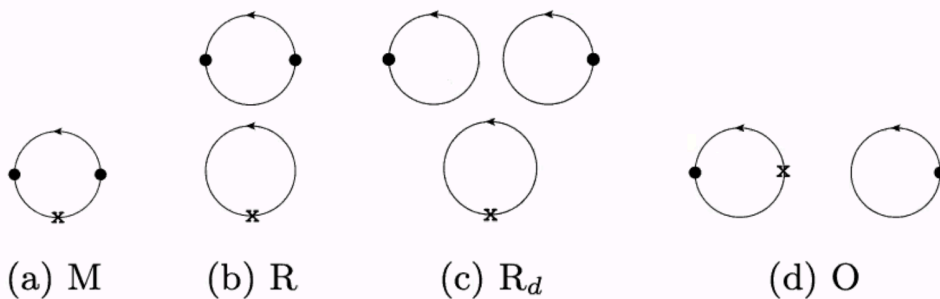


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Attention needed

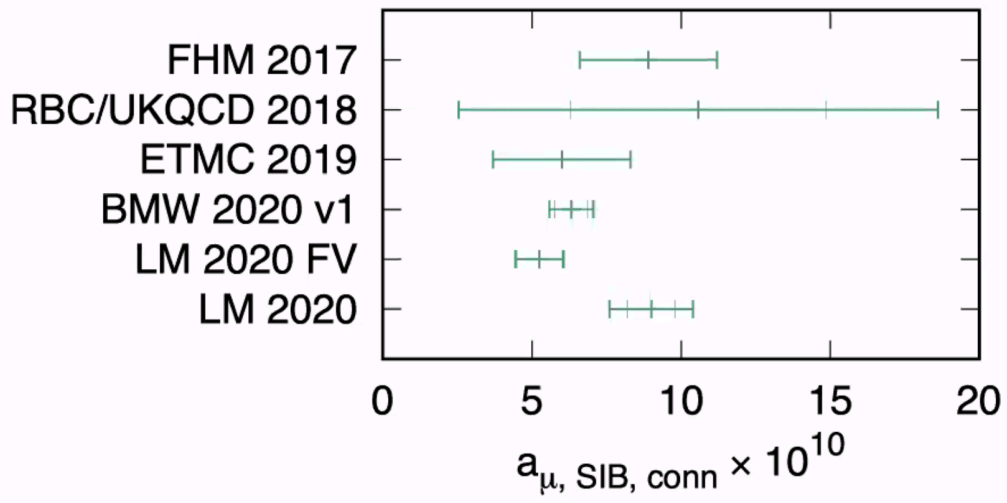
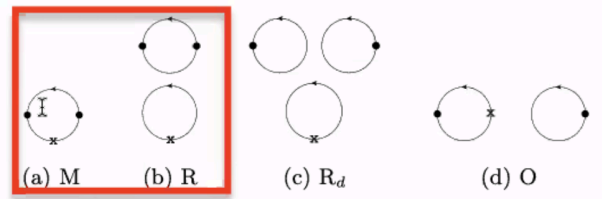
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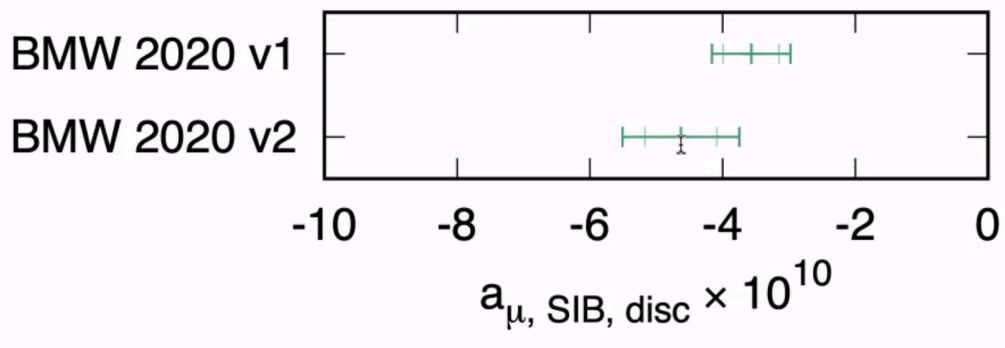
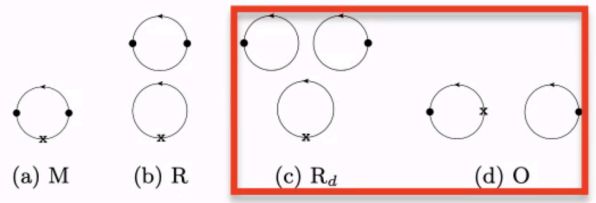


For the HVP R is negligible since $\Delta m_u \approx -\Delta m_d$ and O is $SU(3)$ and $1/N_c$ suppressed.

[Lehner, Meyer 2020](#): NLO PQChPT: FV effects in connected and disconnected cancel but are each significant $O(4 \times 10^{-10})$; PQChPT expects cancellation between connected and disconnected contribution

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{SIB, conn.}} = -a_{\mu}^{\text{SIB, disc.}} = 6.9 \times 10^{-10}$$





Attention on light-quark isospin-symmetric contribution and QED disconnected contribution

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Lattice QCD – Time-Moment Representation

Starting from the vector current $J_\mu(x) = i \sum_f Q_f \bar{\Psi}_f(x) \gamma_\mu \Psi_f(x)$ we may write

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP LO}} = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} w_t C(t)$$

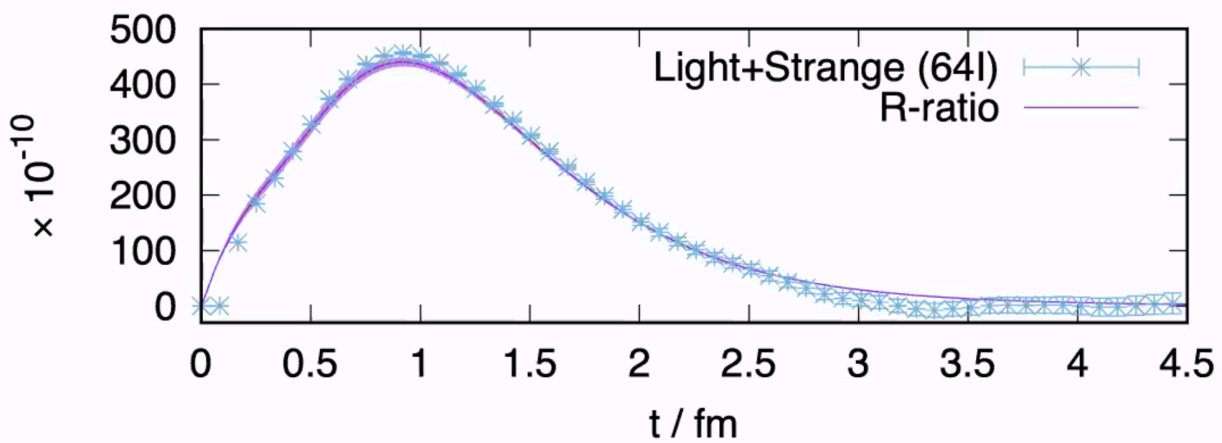
with

$$C(t) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{j=0,1,2} \langle J_j(\vec{x}, t) J_j(0) \rangle$$

and w_t capturing the photon and muon part of the HVP diagrams (Bernecker-Meyer 2011).

The correlator $C(t)$ is computed in lattice QCD+QED at physical pion mass with non-degenerate up and down quark masses including up, down, strange, and charm quark contributions. The missing bottom quark contributions are computed in pQCD.

Lattice QCD – Example of correlation function $C(t)$
(RBC/UKQCD18)



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Large discretization errors at short distance, large finite-volume errors and statistical errors at large distance

Window method (introduced in RBC/UKQCD 2018)

We therefore also consider a window method. Following Meyer-Bernecker 2011 and smearing over t to define the continuum limit we write

$$a_\mu = a_\mu^{\text{SD}} + a_\mu^{\text{W}} + a_\mu^{\text{LD}}$$

with

$$a_\mu^{\text{SD}} = \sum_t C(t) w_t [1 - \Theta(t, t_0, \Delta)],$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{W}} = \sum_t C(t) w_t [\Theta(t, t_0, \Delta) - \Theta(t, t_1, \Delta)],$$

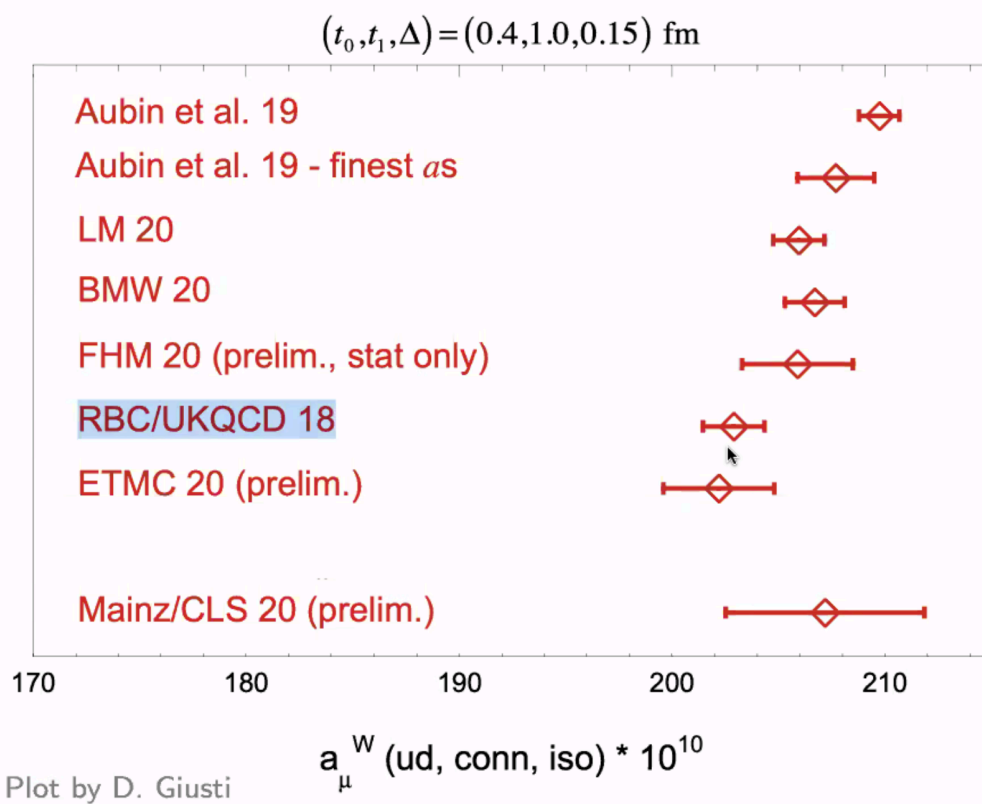
$$a_\mu^{\text{LD}} = \sum_t C(t) w_t \Theta(t, t_1, \Delta),$$

$$\Theta(t, t', \Delta) = [1 + \tanh [(t - t')/\Delta]] / 2.$$

All contributions are well-defined individually and can be computed from lattice or R-ratio via $C(t) = \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \int_0^\infty d(\sqrt{s}) R(s) s e^{-\sqrt{s}t}$ with $R(s) = \frac{3s}{4\pi\alpha^2} \sigma(s, e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{had})$.

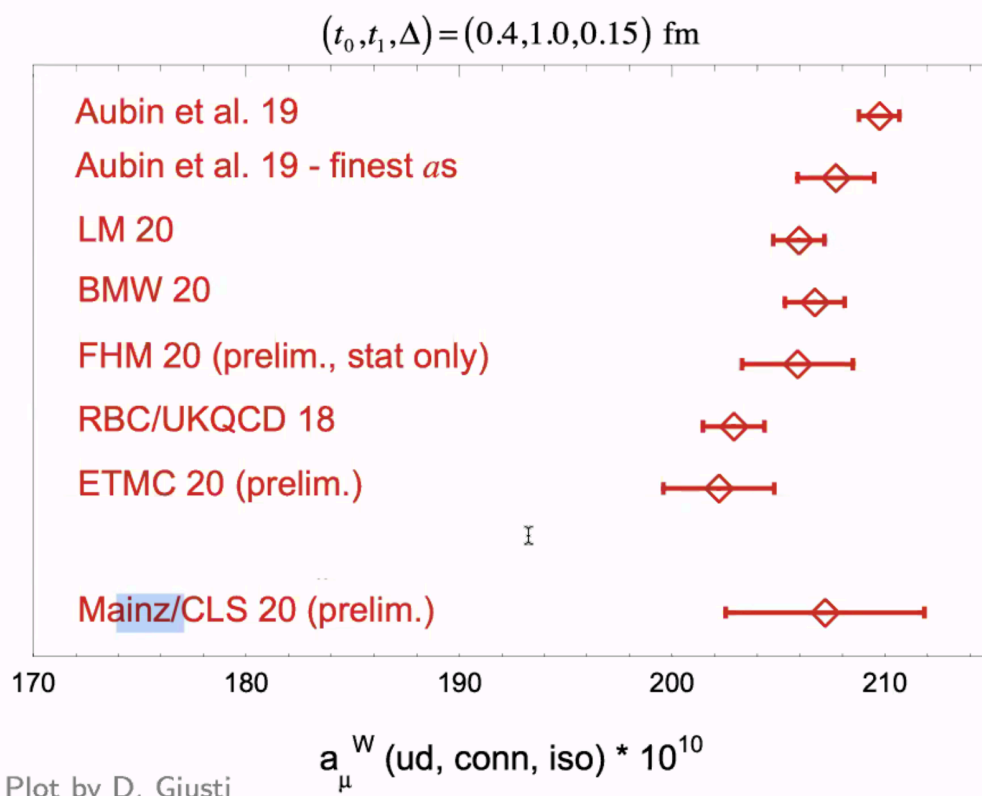
a_μ^{W} has small statistical and systematic errors on lattice!

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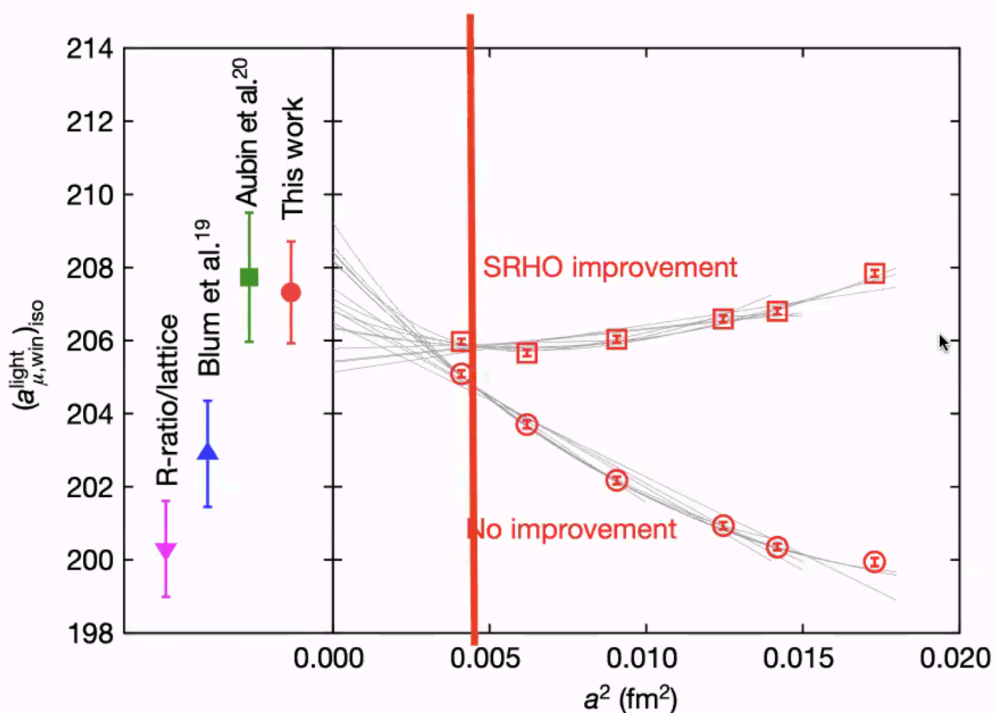
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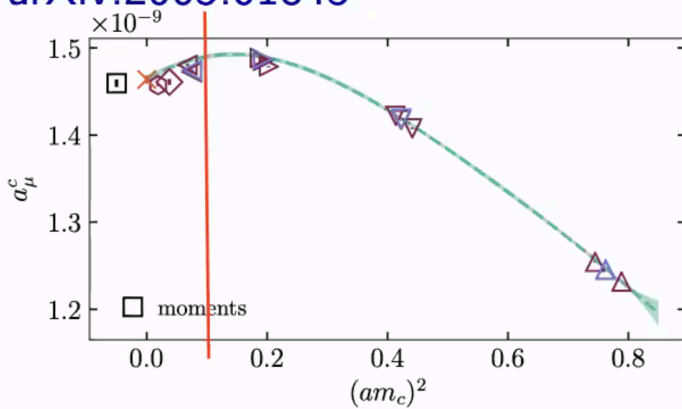


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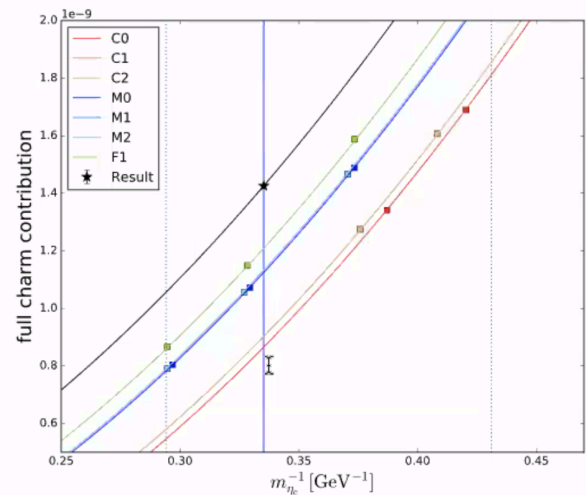
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HPQCD 20 charm quark full a_μ
arXiv:2005.01845



RBC 18 charm quark full a_μ

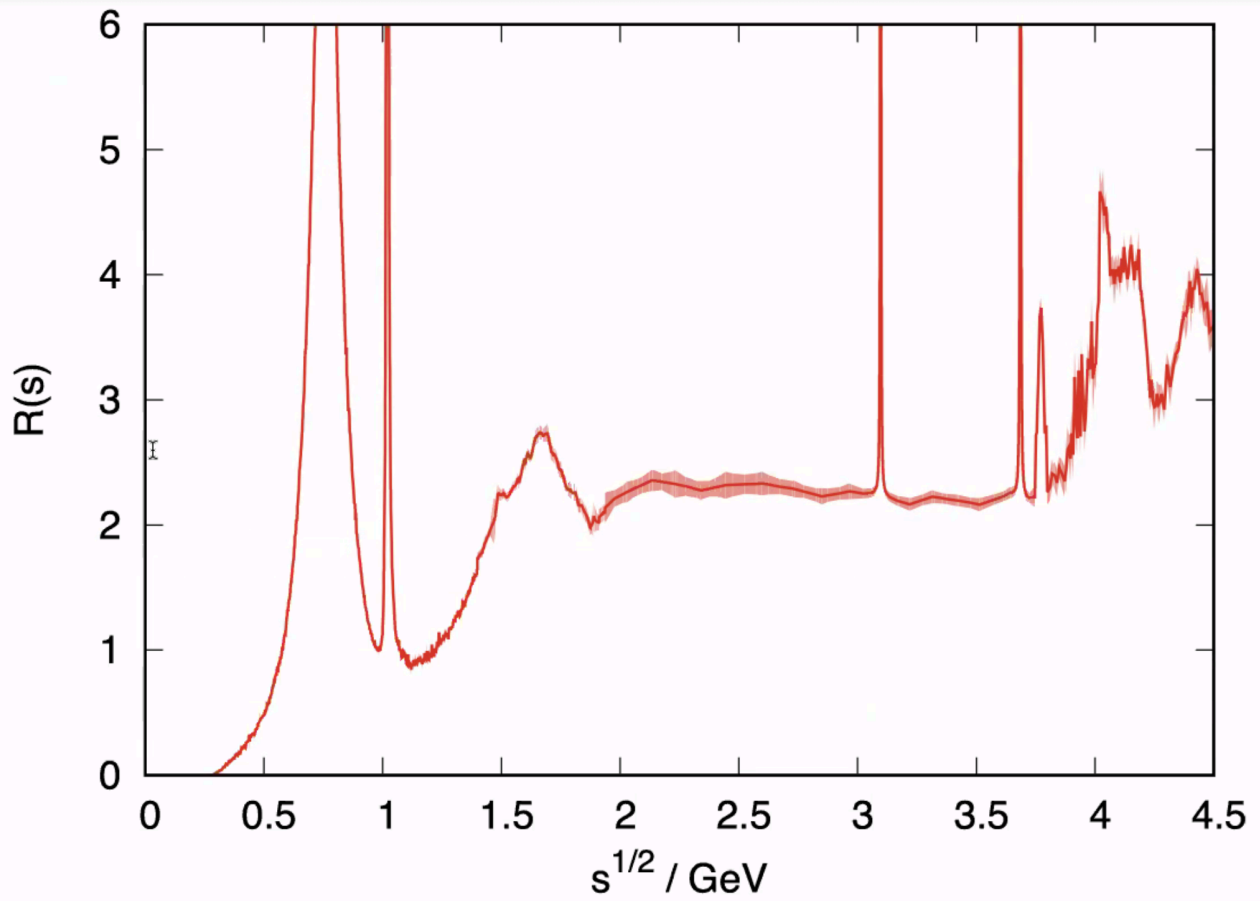


Finest lattice spacing in this extrapolation is green; approximately corresponds to red line in previous plots

Restricting to fixed lattice spacing range can lead to different discretization errors for different UV regulators; systematically independent calculations very desirable!

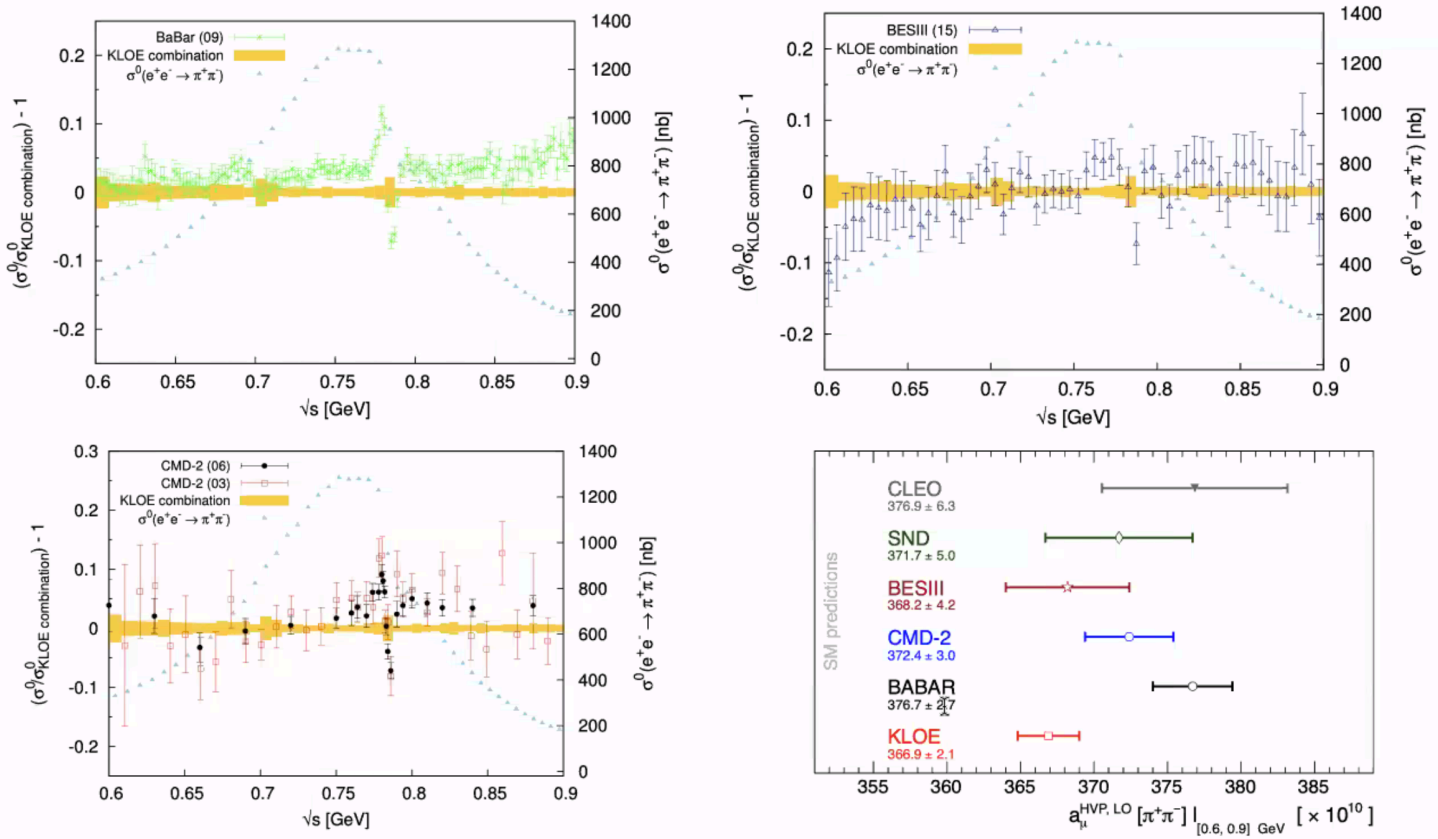
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Tensions in input data, however, already taken into account in WP20 merger of KNT19 and DHMZ19:



What does tension in windows mean for R-ratio?

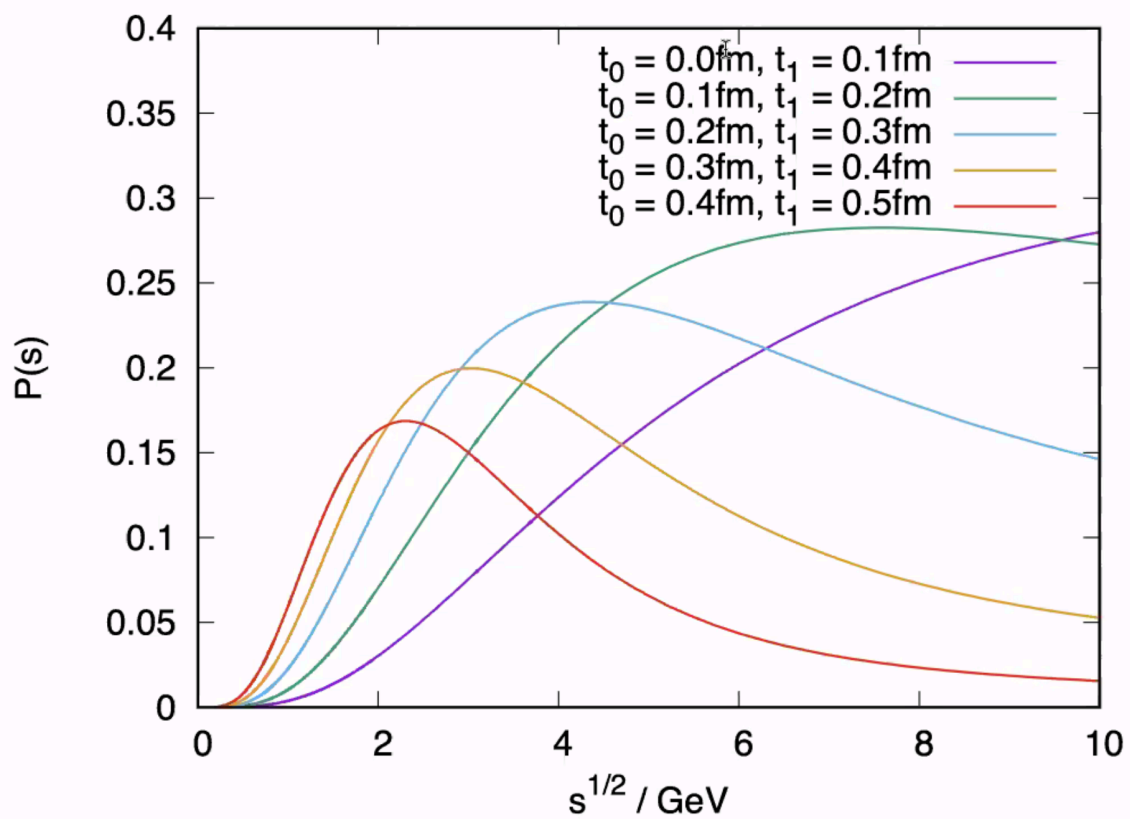
Talk by Massimo Passera last week: if there is a shift in R-ratio, it crucially depends on which energy to understand what the impact on $\Delta\alpha$ and EW precision physics is.

Express Euclidean Windows in time-like region:

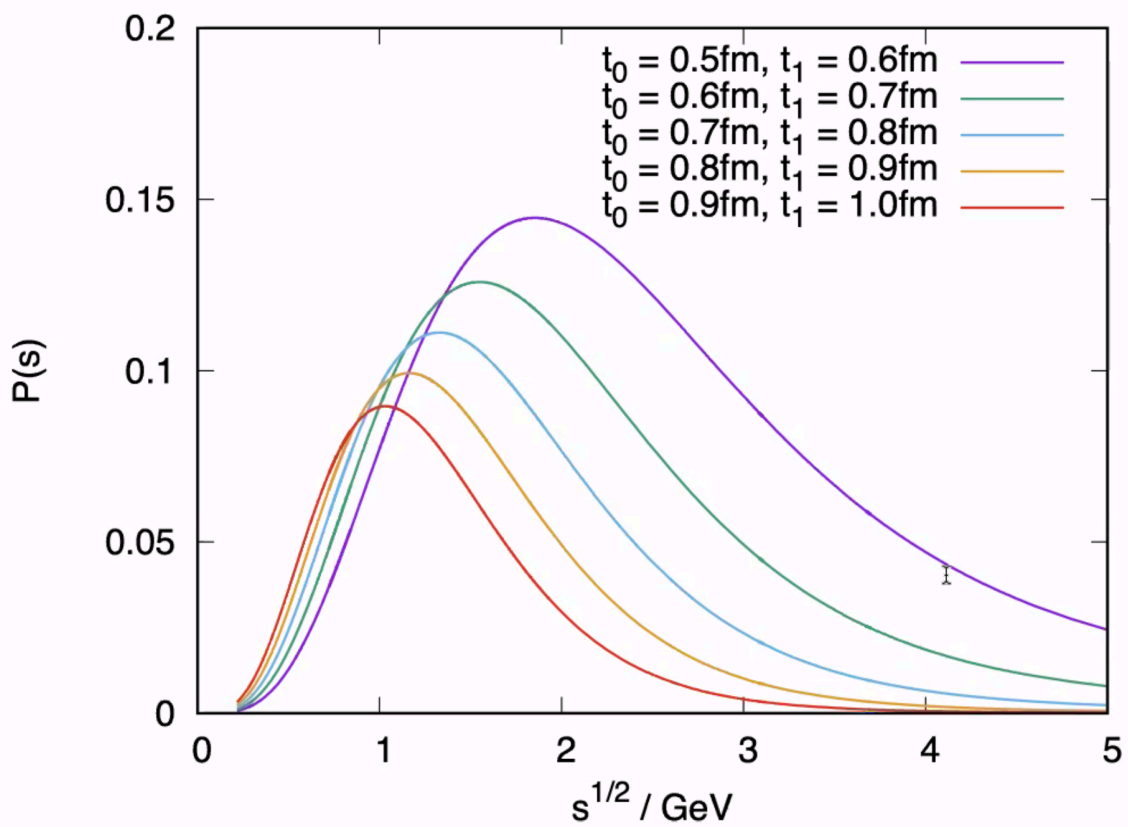
$$a_\mu = \int_0^\infty ds R(s)K(s) \quad (4)$$

and window

$$a_\mu^W = \int_0^\infty ds R(s)K(s)P(s). \quad (5)$$



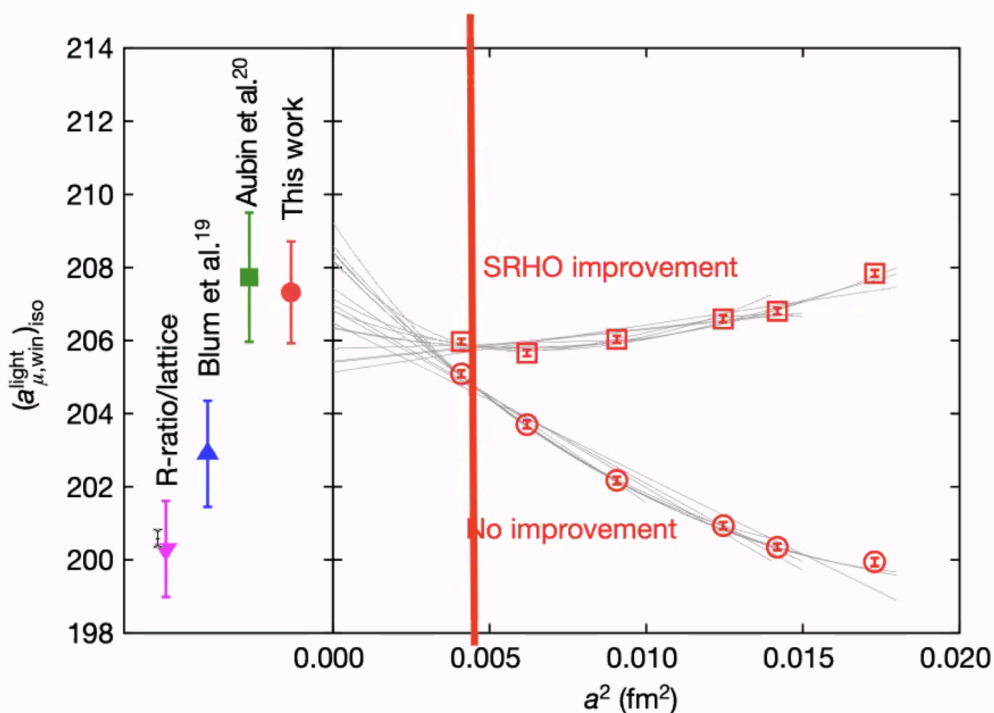
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What can we expect from LQCD in the coming years?

- ▶ More published results with high precision with different regulators for the standard window $t_0 = 0.4\text{fm}$, $t_1 = 1.0\text{fm}$, $\Delta = 0.15\text{fm}$. This will clarify the 2.2σ tension between BMW20 and RBC/UKQCD18 for this quantity.
- ▶ More results for different windows, which will give energy resolution to locate possible remaining tension with R-ratio in time-like energy. After this: any impact on $\Delta\alpha$ and EW precision physics?
- ▶ More results of complete high-precision HVP results from major lattice collaborations. RBC/UKQCD18 aims for end of this year.

Outlook

- ▶ Expect more lattice HVP calculations at few per-mille level precision which allows for proper scrutiny at high precision; **For total a_μ as well as windows!**
- ▶ Data-driven dispersive results will improve with expected experimental results from Belle II, BESIII, CMD-3, and SND
- ▶ MUonE at CERN will provide complementary measurements for the HVP
- ▶ Theory Initiative will publish updated SM predictions as experiment and theory improves; provides platform for cross-checks and establishing new methodology

Thank You!