

# Muon magnetic moment: Theory

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# Lepton dipole moments: big picture

- Dipole moments: definition

$$\mathcal{H} = -\boldsymbol{\mu}_\ell \cdot \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{d}_\ell \cdot \mathbf{E}$$
$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_\ell = -g_\ell \frac{e}{2m_\ell} \mathbf{S} \quad \mathbf{d}_\ell = -\eta_\ell \frac{e}{2m_\ell} \mathbf{S} \quad a_\ell = \frac{g_\ell - 2}{2}$$

- Anomalous magnetic moments [Northwestern 2023](#), [Fermilab 2023](#)

$$a_e^{\text{exp}} = 115,965,218,059(13) \times 10^{-14} \quad a_\mu^{\text{exp}} = 116,592,059(22) \times 10^{-11}$$

- Electric dipole moments [Roussy et al. 2023](#), [BNL 2009](#)

$$|d_e^{\text{exp}}| < 4.1 \times 10^{-30} \text{ e cm} \quad |d_\mu^{\text{exp}}| < 1.5 \times 10^{-19} \text{ e cm} \quad 90\% \text{ C.L.}$$

- Not much known (yet) about  $\tau$  dipole moments (in comparison)

↪ could improve significantly with Chiral Belle [see poster by Joël Gogniat, back-up](#)

# How to measure the muon $g - 2$

- Muon lives long enough to put it into a **storage ring**  $\tau_\mu \simeq 2.2 \mu\text{s}$
- Muons produced from pion decay **automatically polarized**
- Frequencies of polarized muons in magnetic field  $\mathbf{B}$ ,  $\beta \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$ :

- **Cyclotron frequency:**  $\omega_c = -\frac{q}{m_\mu \gamma} \mathbf{B}$       $\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\beta^2}}$

- **Spin precession:**  $\omega_s = \underbrace{-\frac{g_\mu q}{2m_\mu} \mathbf{B}}_{\text{torque of magnetic moment}} \quad \underbrace{-(1-\gamma)\frac{q}{\gamma m_\mu} \mathbf{B}}_{\text{Thomas precession for rotating frame}}$

torque of magnetic moment     Thomas precession for rotating frame

- **Anomalous precession:**  $\omega_a = \omega_s - \omega_c = -\frac{g_\mu - 2}{2} \frac{q}{m_\mu} \mathbf{B} = -a_\mu \frac{q}{m_\mu} \mathbf{B}$

- Including electric field and  $\beta \cdot \mathbf{B} \neq 0$

$$\omega_a + \omega_{\text{EDM}} = -\frac{q}{m_\mu} \left[ a_\mu \mathbf{B} - a_\mu \frac{\gamma}{\gamma + 1} (\beta \cdot \mathbf{B}) \beta - \left( a_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1} \right) \beta \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\eta}{2} (\beta \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{E}) \right]$$

- **“Magic  $\gamma$ ”:**  $\gamma_{\text{magic}} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{a_\mu}} \simeq 29.3$       $p_\mu \simeq 3.094 \text{ GeV}$

# How to measure the muon $g - 2$

## BMT equation (Bargmann, Michel, Telegdi 1959)

$$\omega_a + \omega_{\text{EDM}} = -\frac{q}{m_\mu} \left[ \mathbf{a}_\mu \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{a}_\mu \frac{\gamma}{\gamma + 1} (\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \boldsymbol{\beta} - \left( \mathbf{a}_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1} \right) \boldsymbol{\beta} \times \mathbf{E} + \frac{\eta}{2} (\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{E}) \right]$$

How to make use of this:

- 1 Run at **magic  $\gamma$** : CERN, Brookhaven, Fermilab
  - Various corrections: **E-field correction** (imperfect cancellation of  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \mathbf{E}$  term), **pitch correction** (betatron oscillations leading to nonzero average value of  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{B}$ ), ...
  - Need highly uniform  $\mathbf{B}$  field (ppm), detailed field maps with NMR probes
  - Master formula:

$$\mathbf{a}_\mu = \frac{\omega_a}{\tilde{\omega}'_p(T_r)} \frac{\mu'_p(T_r)}{\mu_e(H)} \frac{\mu_e(H)}{\mu_e} \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} \frac{g_e}{2}$$

$\mu'_p(T_r)$ : shielded proton magnetic moment at  $T_r = 34.7^\circ\text{C}$

- How this is actually done [see lecture by Anna Driutti](#)

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How to make use of this:

- 2 Run at  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$ : J-PARC
  - Need **ultracold muons**, negligible transverse momentum
  - $\gamma$  smaller  $\Rightarrow$  lifetime smaller  $\Rightarrow$  need higher statistics
- 3 Cancel  $\mathbf{B}$  vs.  $\boldsymbol{\beta} \times \mathbf{E}$  term: **frozen-spin technique**
  - Proposal for dedicated EDM experiment at PSI to improve  $|d_\mu|$  by more than three orders of magnitude

## Vector form factors

$$\langle p' | j_{em}^\mu | p \rangle = e \bar{u}(p') \left[ \gamma^\mu F_1(s) + \frac{i \sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{2m_\mu} F_2(s) \right] u(p) \quad q = p' - p$$

- **Dirac form factor:**  $F_1(0) = 1 \Rightarrow$  charge renormalization
- **Pauli form factor:**  $F_2(0) = a_\mu$
- In practice, extract  $F_2(s)$  via projectors from full vertex function  $\Gamma^\mu(p', p)$

$$F_2(s) = \text{Tr} \left[ (\not{p} + m_\mu) \Lambda_\mu(p, p') (\not{p}' + m_\mu) \Gamma^\mu(p', p) \right]$$
$$\Lambda_\mu(p, p') = \frac{m_\mu^2}{s(4m_\mu^2 - s)} \left[ \gamma^\mu + \frac{s + 2m_\mu^2}{m_\mu(s - 4m_\mu^2)} (p + p')_\mu \right]$$

# How to calculate the muon $g - 2$

- Leading order in QED: **Schwinger term**
- Calculate directly for “heavy photon”  $\frac{-ig^{\mu\nu}}{k^2 - m_\gamma^2 + i\epsilon}$

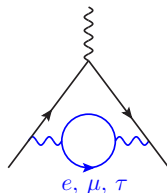
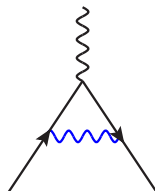
$$a_\mu = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx \frac{x^2(1-x)}{x^2 + (1-x)\frac{m_\gamma^2}{m_\mu^2}} \xrightarrow{m_\gamma \rightarrow 0} \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}$$

- Neat trick to get lepton loops:

- Write polarization function as

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\Pi}_\ell(q^2) &\equiv \Pi_\ell(q^2) - \Pi_\ell(0) = \frac{2\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx x(1-x) \log \frac{m_\ell^2 - x(1-x)q^2}{m_\ell^2} \\ &= \frac{q^2}{\pi} \int_{4m_\ell^2}^\infty ds \frac{\text{Im} \Pi_\ell(s)}{s(s - q^2 - i\epsilon)} \end{aligned}$$

- Use heavy-photon result above

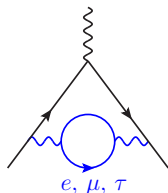


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- Use heavy-photon result above

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\mu}^{\ell} &= -\frac{\alpha}{\pi^2} \int_{4m_{\ell}^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\text{Im} \Pi_{\ell}(s)}{s} \int_0^1 dx \frac{x^2(1-x)}{x^2 + (1-x)\frac{s}{m_{\mu}^2}} \\ &= \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \bar{\Pi}_{\ell} \left( -\frac{x^2 m_{\mu}^2}{1-x} \right) \end{aligned}$$



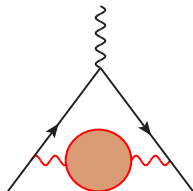
- Reproduces

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\mu}^e &= \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \left[ \frac{1}{3} \log \frac{m_{\mu}}{m_e} - \frac{25}{36} + \dots \right] \\ a_{\mu}^{\mu} &= \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \left[ \frac{119}{36} - \frac{\pi^2}{3} \right] \quad a_{\mu}^{\tau} = \frac{1}{45} \left(\frac{m_{\mu}}{m_{\tau}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- Same idea works if only  $\text{Im} \Pi(s)$  is known

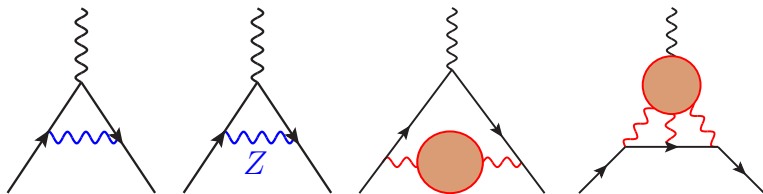
↪ hadronic contributions

$$\text{Im} \Pi_{\text{had}}(s) = -\frac{s}{4\pi\alpha} \sigma_{\text{tot}}(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})$$





# Anomalous magnetic moments of charged leptons



- **SM prediction for  $(g - 2)_\ell$**

$$a_\ell^{\text{SM}} = a_\ell^{\text{QED}} + a_\ell^{\text{EW}} + a_\ell^{\text{had}}$$

- For the electron: electroweak and hadronic contributions under control
- For a precision calculation need:
  - Independent input for  $\alpha$
  - Higher-order QED contributions
- For the muon: by far main uncertainty from the **hadronic contributions**
  - Data-driven techniques and data input: lectures by Zhiqing Zhang, Andrzej Kupść, Franziska Hagelstein
  - Lattice QCD: lectures by Aida El-Khadra, Harvey Meyer

# QED: mass-independent terms

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{QED}} = A_1 + A_2 \left( \frac{m_{\mu}}{m_e} \right) + A_2 \left( \frac{m_{\mu}}{m_{\tau}} \right) + A_3 \left( \frac{m_{\mu}}{m_e}, \frac{m_{\mu}}{m_{\tau}} \right)$$

$$A_i = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^j A_i^{(2j)}$$

- **Mass-independent** term  $A_1$  universal

$$A_1^{(2)} = 0.5 \quad \text{Schwinger 1948}$$

$$A_1^{(4)} = -0.328478965579193784582 \dots \quad \text{Sommerfield 1958}$$

$$A_1^{(6)} = 1.181241456587200 \dots \quad \text{Laporta, Remiddi 1996}$$

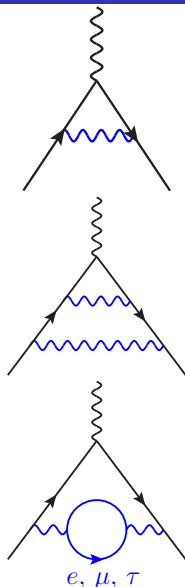
$$A_1^{(8)} = -1.912245764926445574 \dots \quad \text{Laporta 2017}$$

$$A_1^{(10)} = 6.737(159) \quad \text{Aoyama, Kinoshita, Nio 2019}$$

- $4.8\sigma$  discrepancy between

$$A_1^{(10)}[\text{no lepton loops}] = 7.668(159) \quad \text{Aoyama, Kinoshita, Nio 2019}$$

$$\text{and } A_1^{(10)}[\text{no lepton loops}] = 6.793(90) \quad \text{Volkov 2019}$$



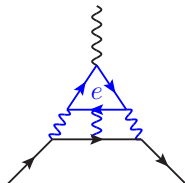
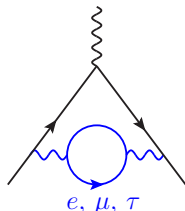
# QED: mass-dependent terms

- **Electron:** mass-dependent corrections decouple with  $\frac{m_e^2}{m_\ell^2}$ 
  - QED for  $m_e = 0$  chirally invariant,  $\psi_e \rightarrow e^{i\epsilon\gamma_5}\psi_e$
  - Dipole operator  $\bar{\psi}_e\sigma^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}\psi_e$  not invariant
  - Chirality flip proportional to  $m_e \Rightarrow m_e\bar{\psi}_e\sigma^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}\psi_e$
  - Resulting operator dimension-6, so EFT scaling  $\frac{m_e^2}{\Lambda^2}$
- **Muon:** electron loops produce  $\log \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} \simeq 5.3$  enhancement
  - Vacuum polarization:

$$\bar{\Pi}_e(-m_\mu^2) \simeq \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \underbrace{\left( \frac{2}{3} \log \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} - \frac{5}{9} \right)}_{\simeq 3.0}$$

- Light-by-light scattering:

$$a_\mu^{\text{LbL}}[e] \simeq \left( \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^3 \underbrace{\left( \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 \log \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} + \frac{59}{270} \pi^4 - 3\zeta(3) - \frac{10}{3} \pi^2 + \frac{2}{3} \right)}_{\simeq 20.5}$$



# Anomalous magnetic moment of the electron: fine-structure constant

- Input from **atom interferometry**

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{4\pi R_\infty}{c} \times \frac{m_{\text{atom}}}{m_e} \times \frac{\hbar}{m_{\text{atom}}}$$

- With **Rb measurement** LKB 2011 ( $a_e^{\text{exp}}$  Harvard 2008)

$$a_e^{\text{exp}} = 1,159,652,180.73(28) \times 10^{-12}$$

$$a_e^{\text{SM}} = 1,159,652,182.03(1)_{5\text{-loop}}(1)_{\text{had}}(72)_{\alpha(\text{Rb})} \times 10^{-12}$$

$$a_e^{\text{exp}} - a_e^{\text{SM}} = -1.30(77) \times 10^{-12} [1.7\sigma]$$

$\hookrightarrow \alpha$  limiting factor, but more than an order of magnitude to go in theory

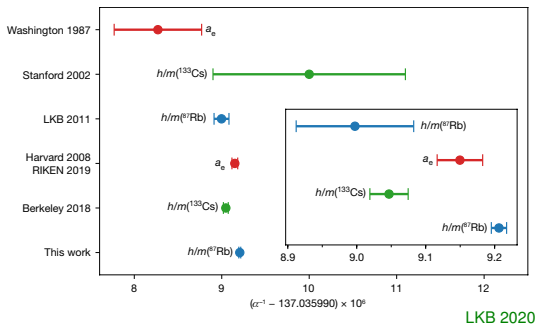
- With **Cs measurement** Berkeley 2018, Science 360 (2018) 191

$$a_e^{\text{SM}} = 1,159,652,181.61(1)_{5\text{-loop}}(1)_{\text{had}}(23)_{\alpha(\text{Cs})} \times 10^{-12}$$

$$a_e^{\text{exp}} - a_e^{\text{SM}} = -0.88(36) \times 10^{-12} [2.5\sigma]$$

$\hookrightarrow$  for the first time  $a_e^{\text{exp}}$  limiting factor

# Anomalous magnetic moment of the electron: fine-structure constant



During the interferometer sequence, we apply a frequency ramp to compensate the Doppler shift induced by gravity. Nonlinearity in the delay of the optical phase-lock loop induces a residual phase shift that is measured and corrected for each spectrum. These systematic effects were not considered in our previous measurement<sup>18</sup> (see Fig. 1), which could explain the  $2.4\sigma$  discrepancy between that measurement and the present one. Unfortunately, we do not have available data to evaluate retrospectively the contributions of the phase shift in the Raman phase-lock loop and of short-scale fluctuations in the laser intensity to the 2011 measurement. Thus, we cannot firmly state that these two effects are the cause of the  $2.4\sigma$  discrepancy between our two measurements.

## ● Tensions

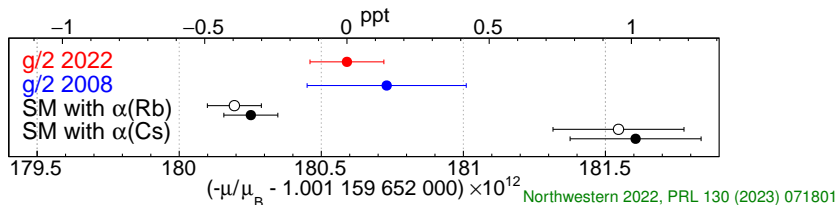
- Berkeley 2018 vs. LKB 2020:  $5.4\sigma$
- LKB 2011 vs. LKB 2020:  $2.4\sigma$

- With new **Blue measurement** LKB 2020, Nature 588 (2020) 61

$$a_e^{\text{SM}} = 1,159,652,180.25(1)_{5\text{-loop}}(1)_{\text{had}}(9)_{\alpha}(\text{Rb}) \times 10^{-12}$$

$$a_e^{\text{exp}} - a_e^{\text{SM}} = 0.48(30) \times 10^{-12} [1.6\sigma]$$

# Anomalous magnetic moment of the electron: fine-structure constant



- Latest development: new measurement of  $a_e^{\text{exp}}$  lecture by Xing Fan

$$a_e^{\text{exp}} = 1,159,652,180.59(13) \times 10^{-12}$$

$$a_e^{\text{exp}} - a_e^{\text{SM}}[\text{Cs}] = -1.02(26) \times 10^{-12} [3.9\sigma]$$

$$a_e^{\text{exp}} - a_e^{\text{SM}}[\text{Rb}] = 0.34(16) \times 10^{-12} [2.1\sigma]$$

- Another  $4.8\sigma$  tension in 5-loop QED coefficient
  - ↔ full circles [Aoyama et al. 2019](#) vs. open circles [Volkov 2019](#)
- BSM sensitivity of  $a_e$  depends on resolution of this experimental  $5\sigma$  discrepancy!

# SM prediction for $(g - 2)_\mu$ : QED

- **5-loop QED** result [Aoyama, Kinoshita, Nio 2018](#):

$$a_\mu^{\text{QED}} = 116\,584\,719.0(1) \times 10^{-11}$$

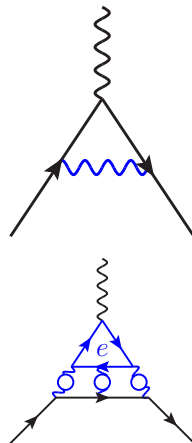
↪ insensitive to input for  $\alpha$  (at this level)

- Enhancement for 6-loop QED [Aoyama, Hayakawa, Kinoshita, Nio 2012](#)

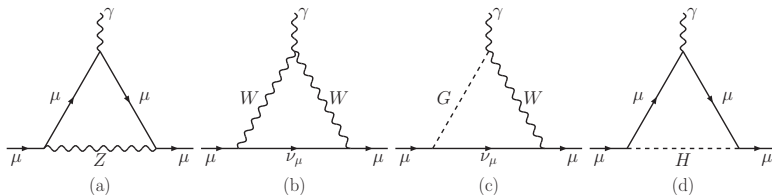
$$\underbrace{(1 + 3 + 3 \times 2)}_{10} \times \left( \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 \log \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} + \frac{59}{270} \pi^4 - 3\zeta(3) - \frac{10}{3} \pi^2 + \frac{2}{3} \right) \\ \times \left( \frac{2}{3} \log \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} - \frac{5}{9} \right)^3 \simeq 5.5 \times 10^3$$

↪ implies

$$a_\mu^{\text{6-loop}} \simeq 0.1 \times 10^{-11}$$



# SM prediction for $(g - 2)_\mu$ : electroweak contribution



- 1-loop result known since the 70s [Jackiw, Weinberg, ... 1972](#)

$$a_\mu^{\text{EW, 1-loop}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{m_\mu^2}{8\pi^2} \left[ \frac{5}{3} + \frac{1}{3}(1 - 4\sin^2\theta_W)^2 \right] = 194.79(1) \times 10^{-11}$$

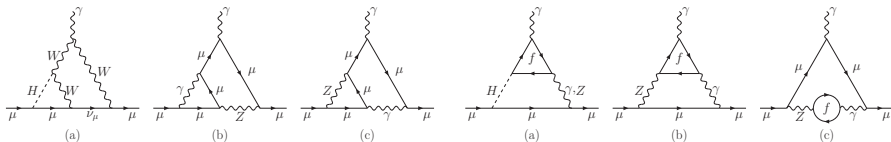
- At higher orders:

- log-enhanced contributions  $\propto \log \frac{M_Z^2}{m_f^2}$  (heavy particles + photon)
- top quark and Higgs contributions enter (without Yukawa suppression)
- nonperturbative contributions from light quarks

↪ large corrections at 2-loop order



# SM prediction for $(g - 2)_\mu$ : electroweak contribution



- Adding the 2-loop corrections

$$a_\mu^{\text{EW}} = (194.8 - 41.2) \times 10^{-11} = 153.6(1.0) \times 10^{-11}$$

- Remaining uncertainty dominated by  $q = u, d, s$  loops

↪ nonperturbative effects [Czarnecki, Marciano, Vainshtein 2003](#)

- First time data-driven methods enter

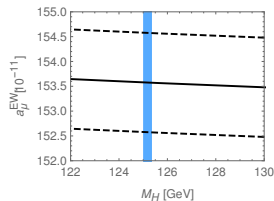
↪ **hadronic VVA correlator**

- 3-loop corrections?

- 3-loop RG estimate accidentally cancels in [Gnendiger et al.](#)

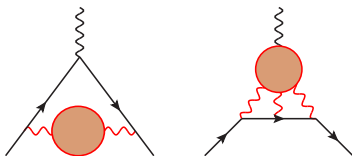
[2013](#) scheme, with an (NLL) error of  $0.2 \times 10^{-11}$

- $\alpha_S$  corrections for heavy quarks [Melnikov 2006](#)



[Gnendiger et al. 2013](#)

# SM prediction for $(g - 2)_\mu$ : hadronic effects



- **Hadronic vacuum polarization**: need hadronic two-point function

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = \langle 0 | T \{ j_\mu j_\nu \} | 0 \rangle$$

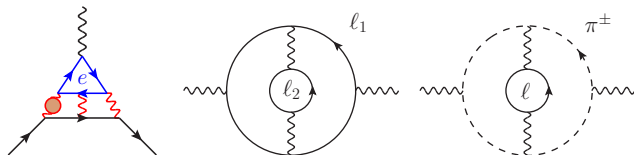
- **Hadronic light-by-light scattering**: need hadronic four-point function

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \langle 0 | T \{ j_\mu j_\nu j_\lambda j_\sigma \} | 0 \rangle$$

At short distances QCD is weakly coupled, EASY  
At large distances QCD is strongly coupled, HARD



# SM prediction for $(g - 2)_\mu$ : higher-order hadronic effects




- Generic scaling of  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^4)$  effects:  $(\frac{\alpha}{\pi})^4 \simeq 3 \times 10^{-11}$
- Enhancements (numerical or  $\log \frac{m_e}{m_\mu}$ ) can make such effects relevant  
     $\hookrightarrow$  NNLO HVP iterations need to be included [Kurz et al. 2014](#)
- NLO HLbL small [Colangelo et al. 2014](#)
- Mixed hadronic and leptonic contributions with inner electron potentially dangerous  
     $\hookrightarrow$  could affect LO HVP via radiation of  $e^+ e^-$  pairs, but  $\lesssim 1 \times 10^{-11}$  [MH, Teubner 2022](#)

# Hadronic vacuum polarization

- General principles yield **direct connection with experiment**

- **Gauge invariance**



A Feynman diagram showing a photon loop. Two wavy lines representing photons enter from the left and right, labeled with momentum  $k, \mu$  and  $k, \nu$  respectively. They meet at a central circular blob representing a hadronic vacuum polarization insertion. The diagram is equated to the expression  $= -i(k^2 g^{\mu\nu} - k^\mu k^\nu) \Pi(k^2)$ .

$$= -i(k^2 g^{\mu\nu} - k^\mu k^\nu) \Pi(k^2)$$

- **Analyticity**

$$\Pi_{\text{ren}} = \Pi(k^2) - \Pi(0) = \frac{k^2}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\text{Im } \Pi(s)}{s(s - k^2)}$$

- **Unitarity**

$$\text{Im } \Pi(s) = -\frac{s}{4\pi\alpha} \sigma_{\text{tot}}(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}) = -\frac{\alpha}{3} R_{\text{had}}(s)$$

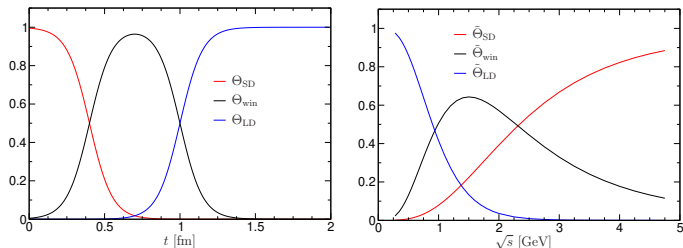
- Resulting master formula [Bouchiat, Michel 1961](#), [Brodsky, de Rafael, 1968](#)

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP, LO}} = \left(\frac{\alpha m_\mu}{3\pi}\right)^2 \int_{s_{\text{thr}}}^{\infty} ds \frac{\hat{K}(s)}{s^2} R_{\text{had}}(s) \quad R_{\text{had}}(s) = \frac{3s}{4\pi\alpha^2} \sigma_{\text{tot}}(e^+ e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}(+\gamma))$$

- Main challenge: measure hadronic cross sections at better than 1% precision

↪ **radiative corrections**

# Hadronic vacuum polarization: windows in Euclidean time



- Idea [RBC/UKQCD 2018](#): define partial quantities (**Euclidean windows**)

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP,LO,win}} = \left( \frac{\alpha m_{\mu}}{3\pi} \right)^2 \int_{s_{\text{thr}}}^{\infty} ds \frac{\hat{K}(s)}{s^2} R_{\text{had}}(s) \tilde{\Theta}_{\text{win}}(s)$$

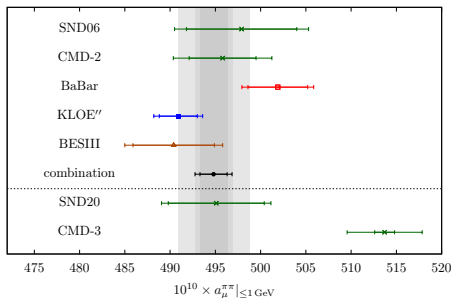
↪ smaller systematic errors for same quantity in lattice QCD [see Aida's lecture](#)

- Separation of full HVP into

- Long-distance** window (LD):  $1 \text{ fm} \lesssim t \Rightarrow a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP,LO,LD}} \simeq 57\%$
- Intermediate** window (win):  $0.4 \text{ fm} \lesssim t \lesssim 1 \text{ fm} \Rightarrow a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP,LO,win}} \simeq 33\%$
- Short-distance** window (SD):  $t \lesssim 0.4 \text{ fm} \Rightarrow a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP,LO,SD}} \simeq 10\%$



# The current picture for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$



	$a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi}  _{\leq 1 \text{ GeV}}$	$a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi}  _{[0.60, 0.88] \text{ GeV}}$	$a_{\mu}^{\pi\pi}  _{\text{win}}$
SND06	$1.7\sigma$	$1.8\sigma$	$1.7\sigma$
CMD-2	$2.0\sigma$	$2.3\sigma$	$2.1\sigma$
BaBar	$2.9\sigma$	$3.3\sigma$	$3.1\sigma$
KLOE''	$4.8\sigma$	$5.6\sigma$	$5.4\sigma$
BESIII	$2.8\sigma$	$3.0\sigma$	$3.1\sigma$
SND20	$2.1\sigma$	$2.2\sigma$	$2.2\sigma$
comb	$3.7\sigma$ [5.0 $\sigma$ ]	$4.2\sigma$ [6.1 $\sigma$ ]	$3.8\sigma$ [5.7 $\sigma$ ]

- CMD-3 disagrees with previous measurements at the level of (2–5) $\sigma$
- But: the resulting picture agrees well with the one emerging from recent lattice results [BMWc 24](#), [RBC/UKQCD 24](#)
- Now what?
  - New  $2\pi$  measurements forthcoming: BaBar, KLOE, SND, BES III, Belle II
  - Need to understand origin of differences: radiative corrections, MC generators [lecture by Yannick Ulrich](#)



# Analyticity constraints on $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons cross sections

- HVP integral dominated by a few channels for which high precision is required  
 $\hookrightarrow e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-, 3\pi, \bar{K}K, \dots$
- These channels are determined by (reasonably) simple matrix elements
  - $\pi^+\pi^-, \bar{K}K$ : electromagnetic form factor
  - $3\pi$ : matrix element for  $\gamma^* \rightarrow 3\pi$ $\hookrightarrow$  for these objects **further constraints from analyticity and unitarity** apply!
- Why bother, since anyway cross sections are measured?
  - **Cross checks** on data sets  
 $\hookrightarrow$  need to comply with QCD constraints
  - Improve **precision**, evaluate over entire kinematic range see  $2\pi$  plot above
  - **Correlations** with other low-energy observables
  - **Structure-dependent radiative corrections**
  - Understand **anatomy** of cross sections  
 $\hookrightarrow$  comparison with lattice QCD

## The pion form factor from dispersion relations

$$F_{\pi}^V(s) = \underbrace{\Omega_1^1(s)}_{\text{elastic } \pi\pi \text{ scattering}} \times \underbrace{G_{\omega}(s)}_{\text{isospin-breaking } 3\pi \text{ cut}} \times \underbrace{G_{\text{in}}(s)}_{\text{inelastic effects: } 4\pi, \dots}$$

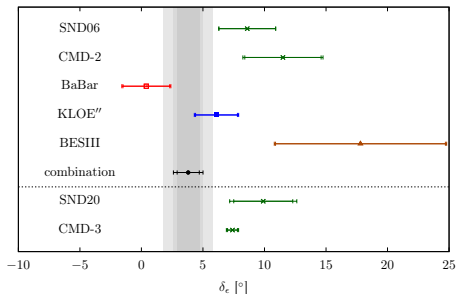
$$\Omega_1^1(s) = \exp \left\{ \frac{s}{\pi} \int_{4M_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\delta_1^1(s')}{s'(s' - s)} \right\} \quad G_{\omega}(s) \simeq 1 + \frac{s\epsilon_{\omega}}{M_{\omega}^2 - s - iM_{\omega}\Gamma_{\omega}}$$

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  cross section subject to strong constraints from **analyticity**, **unitarity**, **crossing symmetry**, leading to dispersive representation with few parameters [Colangelo, MH, Stoffer, 2018, 2021, 2022, work in progress](#)

- **Elastic  $\pi\pi$  scattering**: two values of phase shifts
- **$\rho$ - $\omega$  mixing**:  $\omega$  pole parameters and residue
- **Inelastic states**: conformal polynomial

↔ correlations with  $\pi\pi$  phase shifts, pion charge radius, ...

# Phase of the $\rho$ - $\omega$ mixing parameter



- Can also study consistency of hadronic parameters

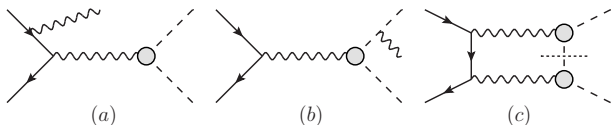
↪ **phase of the  $\rho$ - $\omega$  mixing parameter  $\delta_\epsilon$**

- $\delta_\epsilon$  observable, since defined as a phase of a residue
- $\delta_\epsilon$  vanishes in isospin limit, but can be non-vanishing due to  $\rho \rightarrow \pi^0\gamma, \eta\gamma, \pi\pi\gamma, \dots \rightarrow \omega$
- Combined-fit  $\delta_\epsilon = 3.8(2.0)[1.2]^\circ$  agrees well with narrow-width expectation  
 $\delta_\epsilon = 3.5(1.0)^\circ$ , but **considerable spread among experiments**
- Mass of the  $\omega$  systematically too low compared to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\pi$

# Radiative corrections and MC generators

- How to evaluate radiative corrections for processes involving hadrons?
- Ongoing comparative study of MC generators [STRONG2020](#)
- Two classes of experiments:
  - **Energy scan**: CMD-3, SND
  - **Initial state radiation**: KLOE, BaBar, BES III, Belle II
- So far for  $\pi^+\pi^-$ : based on **scalar QED (point-like pions)**
- $F \times$  sQED: pion form factors included [Campanario et al. 2019](#)  
 $\hookrightarrow$  either  $F_\pi^V(s)$  ( $e^+e^-$  invariant mass) or  $F_\pi^V(q^2)$  ( $\pi^+\pi^-$  invariant mass)
- Captures correctly all the infrared properties
- Potential issues:
  - **Structure-dependent corrections** [CMD-3](#)  
 $\hookrightarrow F \times$  sQED might not be sufficient for ISR experiments
  - **Multiple photon emission** [BaBar 2023](#)  
 $\hookrightarrow$  effects can be enhanced by experimental cuts

# Radiative corrections: forward–backward asymmetry

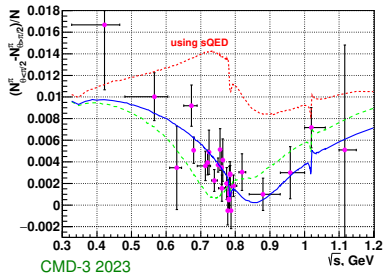
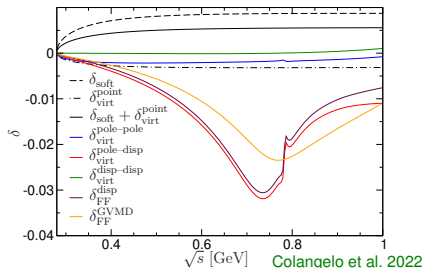


- Consider **forward–backward asymmetry**  $A_{FB}(z) = \frac{\frac{d\sigma}{dz}(z) - \frac{d\sigma}{dz}(-z)}{\frac{d\sigma}{dz}(z) + \frac{d\sigma}{dz}(-z)}$  for energy scan  
 $\hookrightarrow$  **C-odd**, only generated at loop level
- CMD-3 observed that  $F \times$  sQED fails for diagram (c), use generalized vector meson dominance instead [Ignatov, Lee 2022](#)
- Problem: unphysical imaginary parts below  $2\pi$  threshold in loop integral
- Better approach: use **dispersive representation of pion VFF**

$$\frac{F_{\pi}^V(s)}{s} = \frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } F_{\pi}^V(s')}{s'(s'-s)} \rightarrow \frac{1}{s - \lambda^2} - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{\text{Im } F_{\pi}^V(s')}{s'} \frac{1}{s - s'}$$

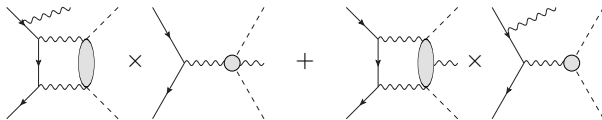
$\hookrightarrow$  captures all the **structure-dependent, infrared-enhanced effects**

# Radiative corrections: forward–backward asymmetry

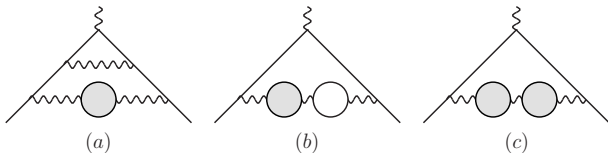


- Reasonable agreement between dispersive formulation and GVMD!
- Are there relevant effects being missed in the  $C$ -even contributions?
  - ↪ potentially relevant for ISR experiments [Ignatov, STRONG2020](#)

- ISR–FSR interference:



# Do $e^+e^-$ data and lattice really measure the same thing?



- Conventions for **bare cross section**

- Includes radiative intermediate states and final-state radiation:  $\pi^0\gamma, \eta\gamma, \pi\pi\gamma, \dots$
- Initial-state radiation and VP subtracted to avoid double counting

- NLO HVP insertions

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP,NLO}} \simeq \underbrace{[-20.7]}_{(a)} + \underbrace{10.6}_{(b)} + \underbrace{0.3}_{(c)} \times 10^{-10} = -9.8 \times 10^{-10}$$

↔ dominant VP effect from leptons, HVP iteration very small

- Important point: **no need to specify hadronic resonances**

↔ calculation set up in terms of decay channels

# Do $e^+e^-$ data and lattice really measure the same thing?

- HVP in subtraction determined iteratively (converges with  $\alpha$ ) and self-consistently

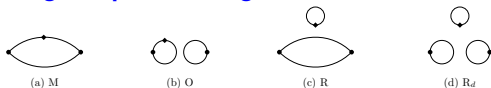
$$\alpha(q^2) = \frac{\alpha(0)}{1 - \Delta\alpha_{\text{lep}}(q^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(q^2)} \quad \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(q^2) = -\frac{\alpha q^2}{3\pi} P \int_{s_{\text{thr}}}^{\infty} ds \frac{R_{\text{had}}(s)}{s(s - q^2)}$$

- Subtlety for very narrow  $c\bar{c}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  resonances ( $\omega$  and  $\phi$  perfectly fine)
  - ↪ Dyson series does not converge [Jegerlehner](#)
- Solution: take out resonance that is being corrected in  $R_{\text{had}}$  in VP undressing
- How to match all of this on the lattice?
- Need to calculate all sorts of **isospin-breaking (IB) corrections**
  - ↪  $e^2$  (QED) and  $\delta = m_u - m_d$  (strong IB) corrections

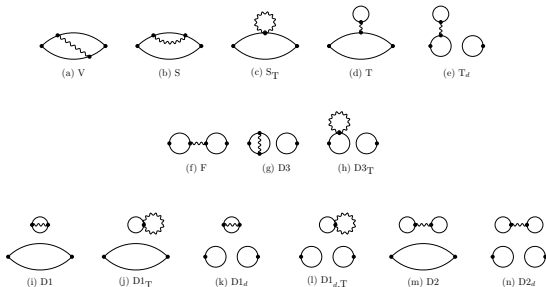


# Do $e^+e^-$ data and lattice really measure the same thing?

- **Strong isospin breaking**  $\propto m_u - m_d$



- **QED effects**  $\propto \alpha$



plots from Gülpers et al. 2018

- Diagram (f) F critical for consistent VP subtraction

$\leftrightarrow$  same diagram without additional gluons is subtracted [RBC/UKQCD 2018](#)

# Estimating isospin-breaking effects from phenomenology

	SD window		int window		LD window		full HVP	
	$\mathcal{O}(e^2)$	$\mathcal{O}(\delta)$	$\mathcal{O}(e^2)$	$\mathcal{O}(\delta)$	$\mathcal{O}(e^2)$	$\mathcal{O}(\delta)$	$\mathcal{O}(e^2)$	$\mathcal{O}(\delta)$
$\pi^0\gamma$	0.16(0)	–	1.52(2)	–	2.70(4)	–	<b>4.38(6)</b>	–
$\eta\gamma$	0.05(0)	–	0.34(1)	–	0.31(1)	–	0.70(2)	–
$\omega(\rightarrow \pi^0\gamma)\pi^0$	0.15(0)	–	0.54(1)	–	0.19(0)	–	0.88(2)	–
FSR ( $2\pi$ )	0.12(0)	–	1.17(1)	–	3.13(3)	–	<b>4.42(4)</b>	–
FSR ( $3\pi$ )	0.03(0)	–	0.20(0)	–	0.28(1)	–	0.51(1)	–
FSR ( $K^+K^-$ )	0.07(0)	–	0.39(2)	–	0.29(2)	–	0.75(4)	–
$\rho$ - $\omega$ mixing ( $2\pi$ )	–	0.06(1)	–	0.86(6)	–	2.87(12)	–	<b>3.79(19)</b>
$\rho$ - $\omega$ mixing ( $3\pi$ )	–	–0.13(3)	–	–1.03(27)	–	–1.52(40)	–	<b>–2.68(70)</b>
pion mass ( $2\pi$ )	0.04(8)	–	–0.09(56)	–	–7.62(63)	–	<b>–7.67(94)</b>	–
kaon mass ( $K^+K^-$ )	–0.29(1)	0.44(2)	–1.71(9)	2.63(14)	–1.24(6)	1.91(10)	<b>–3.24(17)</b>	<b>4.98(26)</b>
kaon mass ( $\bar{K}^0K^0$ )	0.00(0)	–0.41(2)	–0.01(0)	–2.44(12)	–0.01(0)	–1.78(9)	–0.02(0)	<b>–4.62(23)</b>
sum	0.33(8)	–0.04(4)	2.34(57)	0.02(33)	–1.97(63)	1.48(44)	<b>0.71(95)</b>	<b>1.47(80)</b>

MH et al. 2023

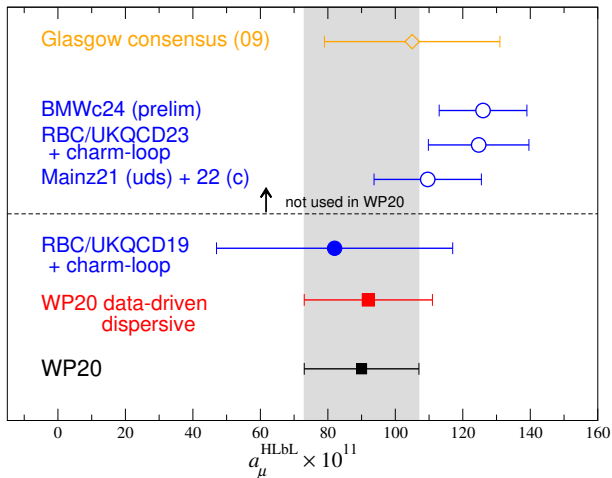
↔ **individually sizable results** that largely cancel in the end

# Estimating isospin-breaking effects from phenomenology

		this work	BMWc 2020	RBC/UKQCD 2018
SD	$\mathcal{O}(e^2)$	0.33(8)(8)(49)[51]	–	–
	$\mathcal{O}(\delta)$	–0.04(4)(8)(49)[50]	–	–
int	$\mathcal{O}(e^2)$	2.34(57)(47)(55)[92]	–0.09(6)	0.0(2)
	$\mathcal{O}(\delta)$	0.02(33)(47)(55)[79]	0.52(4)	0.1(3)
LD	$\mathcal{O}(e^2)$	–1.97(63)(36)(12)[74]	–	–
	$\mathcal{O}(\delta)$	1.48(44)(36)(12)[58]	–	–
full	$\mathcal{O}(e^2)$	0.71(0.95)(0.90)(1.16)[1.75]	–1.5(6)	–1.0(6.6)
	$\mathcal{O}(\delta)$	1.47(0.80)(0.90)(1.16)[1.67]	1.9(1.2)	10.6(8.0)

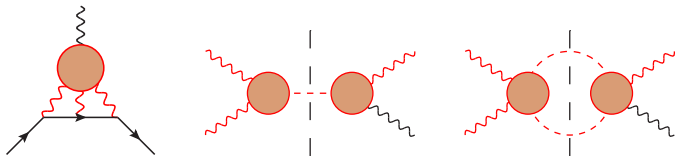
- Reasonable agreement with BMWc 2020, RBC/UKQCD 2018  
 ↪ if anything, the result would become even larger with pheno estimates
- Isospin-breaking contributions are very unlikely to be the reason for the lattice vs. phenomenology tension

# HLbL scattering: status



- Good agreement between lattice QCD and phenomenology at  $\simeq 20 \times 10^{-11}$
- Need another factor of 2 for final Fermilab precision

# HLbL scattering: master formula

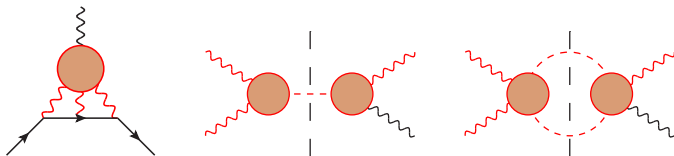


## Master formula for HLbL contribution to $a_\mu$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = \frac{\alpha^3}{432\pi^2} \int_0^\infty d\Sigma \Sigma^3 \int_0^1 dr r \sqrt{1-r^2} \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \sum_{i=1}^{12} T_i(Q_1, Q_2, Q_3) \bar{\Pi}_i(Q_1, Q_2, Q_3)$$

- 3-dimensional integral representation, known kernels  $T_i(Q_1, Q_2, Q_3)$
- Dynamical content included in  $\bar{\Pi}_i(Q_1, Q_2, Q_3)$   
↪ analog of  $R(s)$  for HVP
- Organized in terms of **hadronic intermediate states**, in close analogy to HVP  
↪ dispersive approach [Colangelo et al. 2014, ...](#)

# HLbL scattering: data-driven, dispersive evaluations



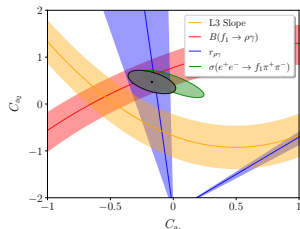
- Leading channels implemented with **data input for**

$$\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \text{hadrons}, \text{ e.g., } \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma^*$$

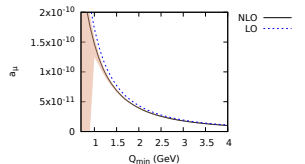
- Uncertainty dominated by subleading channels

$$\hookrightarrow \text{axial-vector mesons } f_1(1285), f_1(1420), a_1(1260)$$

- Choice of basis for HLbL important for axial-vector states [poster by Maximilian Zillinger](#)
- Matching to short-distance constraints



MH, Kubis, Zanke 2023

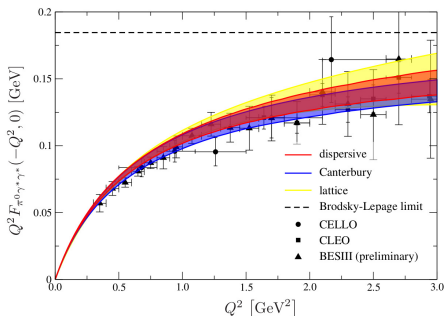


Bijnens et al. 2021

# HLbL scattering: white paper details

Contribution	PdRV(09)	N/JN(09)	J(17)	Our estimate
$\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$ -poles	114(13)	99(16)	95.45(12.40)	93.8(4.0)
$\pi, K$ -loops/boxes	-19(19)	-19(13)	-20(5)	-16.4(2)
$S$ -wave $\pi\pi$ rescattering	-7(7)	-7(2)	-5.98(1.20)	-8(1)
subtotal	88(24)	73(21)	69.5(13.4)	69.4(4.1)
scalars	-	-	-	} - 1(3)
tensors	-	-	1.1(1)	
axial vectors	15(10)	22(5)	7.55(2.71)	6(6)
$u, d, s$ -loops / short-distance	-	21(3)	20(4)	15(10)
$c$ -loop	2.3	-	2.3(2)	3(1)
total	105(26)	116(39)	100.4(28.2)	92(19)

# HLbL scattering: pseudoscalar poles



- Pion pole from data [MH et al. 2018](#), [Masjuan, Sánchez-Puertas 2017](#) and lattice [Gérardin et al. 2019](#)

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_{\mu}^{\pi^0\text{-pole}}|_{\text{dispersive}} &= 63.0^{+2.7}_{-2.1} \times 10^{-11} & a_{\mu}^{\pi^0\text{-pole}}|_{\text{Canterbury}} &= 63.6(2.7) \times 10^{-11} \\
 a_{\mu}^{\pi^0\text{-pole}}|_{\text{lattice+PrimEx}} &= 62.3(2.3) \times 10^{-11} & a_{\mu}^{\pi^0\text{-pole}}|_{\text{lattice}} &= 59.7(3.6) \times 10^{-11}
 \end{aligned}$$

- Singly-virtual results agree well with BESIII measurement
- Same program in progress for  $\eta, \eta'$  poles
- New lattice results indicate some tension in  $\gamma\gamma$  width



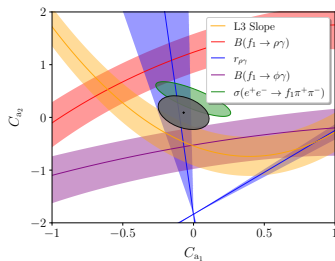
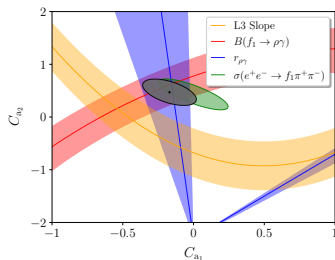
# Determination of axial-vector TFFs

- Three independent TFFs, accessible in

- $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-f_1$  (space-like)
- $f_1 \rightarrow \rho\gamma, f_1 \rightarrow \phi\gamma$
- $f_1 \rightarrow e^+e^-$
- $e^+e^- \rightarrow f_1\pi^+\pi^-$

↪ global analysis in VMD parameterizations

- Constraint from  $e^+e^- \rightarrow f_1\pi^+\pi^-$  for the first time allows for unambiguous solutions
- Most information available for  $f_1$   
↪  $f_1'$  and  $a_1$  from  $U(3)$  symmetry
- Analysis of consequences for HLbL in progress



MH, Kubis, Zanke 2023

# Short-distance contributions

## Higher-order short-distance constraints

- Two-loop  $\alpha_S$  corrections
- Higher-order OPE corrections
- Higher-order terms in Melnikov–Vainshtein limit

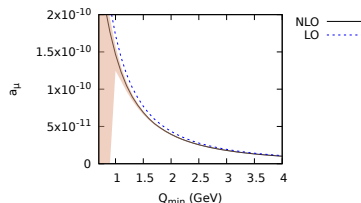
## Implementation of SDCs

- Large- $N_c$  Regge models Colangelo . . .
- Holographic QCD Leutgeb, Rebhan, Capiello, . . .
- Interpolants Lüdtke, Procura

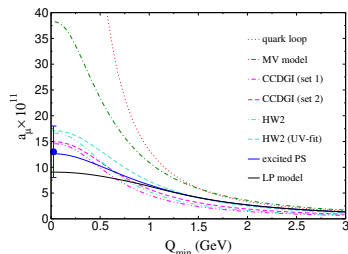
↔ reasonable agreement on longitudinal component

## Transverse component/axial-vectors

- SDCs MH, Stoffer 2020
- Implementation of axial-vectors, new HLbL basis, new dispersive formalism



Bijens, Hermansson-Truedsson, Laub, Rodríguez-Sánchez 2021



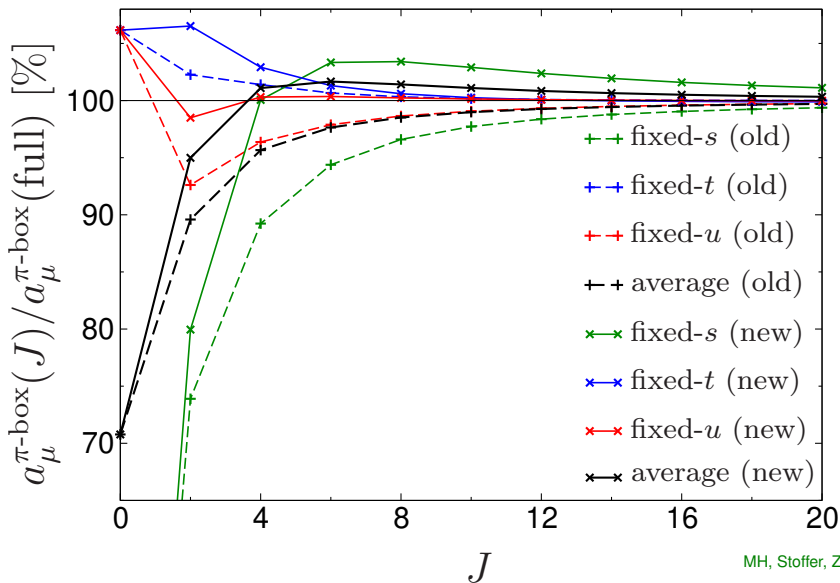
Colangelo, Hagelstein, MH, Laub, Stoffer 2021

- Recall discussions with MV about the **definition of the pion pole**

$$\frac{F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(q_1^2, q_2^2)F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(q_3^2, 0)}{q_3^2 - M_\pi^2} \quad \text{vs.} \quad \frac{F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(q_1^2, q_2^2)F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(M_\pi^2, 0)}{q_3^2 - M_\pi^2}$$

- Comparison in [Colangelo, Hagelstein, MH, Laub, Stoffer 2019](#):
    - First variant: dispersion relation in four-point kinematics
    - Second variant: dispersion relation in  $g - 2$  (“triangle”) kinematics
  - Triangle variant looks attractive because of SDCs, but very complicated in low-energy region due to missing  $2\pi$ , ... cuts
  - Kinematic singularities**
    - Disappear in four-point kinematics only for the entire HLbL tensor due to sum rules
      - ↪ higher partial waves, axial-vectors, tensors
    - For axial-vectors: can find a basis manifestly free of kinematic singularities
      - ↪ ideal for axial-vectors, also good for pion box; not possible for tensors
- ↪ complementary information from triangle kinematics [Lüdtke, Procura, Stoffer 2023](#)

# Saturation of the pion box in new basis



MH, Stoffer, Zillinger 2024

# HLbL dispersion relation in triangle vs. four-point kinematics

triangle-DR	DR in four-point kinematics					
	$\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$	$2\pi$	$S$	$A$	$T$	...
$\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$		×	×	×	×	×
$2\pi$	×		×	×	×	×
$V$						
$S$	×	×		×	×	×
$A$	×	×	×		×	×
$T$	×	×	×	×		×
...						...

Lüdtke, Procura, Stoffer 2023

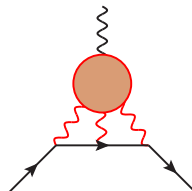
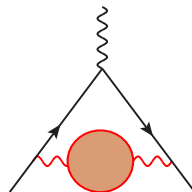
- QED and electroweak contributions well under control

- **Hadronic vacuum polarization**

- By far largest systematic uncertainty in  $\pi\pi$  channel
- Large range from KLOE to CMD-3, well beyond the quoted errors
- New data to come: BaBar, KLOE, SND, BES III, Belle II
- Intense scrutiny of radiative corrections and MC generators

- **Hadronic light-by-light scattering**

- Use dispersion relations to remove model dependence as far as possible
- Implemented for leading intermediate states
- Subleading terms including asymptotic constraints in progress
- Good agreement between phenomenology and lattice



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# What about $(g - 2)_{\tau}$ ?

- Current status Abdallah et al. 2004, Keshavarzi et al. 2020

$$a_{\tau}^{\text{exp}} = -0.018(17) \quad \text{vs.} \quad a_{\tau}^{\text{SM}} = 1,177.171(39) \times 10^{-6}$$

- **Scaling arguments:**

- Minimal flavor violation:

$$a_{\tau}^{\text{BSM}} \simeq a_{\mu}^{\text{BSM}} \left( \frac{m_{\tau}}{m_{\mu}} \right)^2 \simeq 0.7 \times 10^{-6}$$

- Electroweak contribution:  $a_{\tau}^{\text{EW}} \simeq 0.5 \times 10^{-6}$

- **Concrete models:**

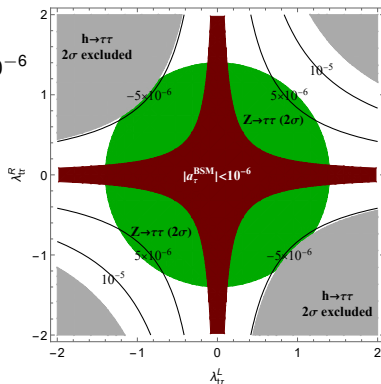
- $S_1$  leptoquark model promising due to

**chiral enhancement** with  $\frac{m_t}{m_{\tau}}$

$\hookrightarrow$  can get  $a_{\tau}^{\text{BSM}} \simeq (\text{few}) \times 10^{-6}$  without violating  $h \rightarrow \tau\tau$  and  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$

- Ultimate target has to be a measurement of  $a_{\tau}$  at the level of  $10^{-6}$

$\hookrightarrow$  requires two-loop accuracy for theory throughout



Crivellin, MH, Roney 2021



## Experimental prospects for $(g - 2)_\tau$

- Many recent proposals, none of which seem to reach much beyond the Schwinger term
- Exception:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$  at  $\Upsilon$  resonances Bernabéu et al. 2007  
↪ quotes projections at  $10^{-6}$  level
- Idea: study  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$  cross section and asymmetries  
↪ could this be realized at Belle II Crivellin, MH, Roney 2021?
- Answer: yes, but requires **polarization upgrade of SuperKEK** to get access to transverse and longitudinal asymmetries
- Idea: extract  $F_2(s)$  at  $s \simeq (10 \text{ GeV})^2$ , but heavy new physics decouples  
↪  $a_\tau^{\text{BSM}} = F_2^{\text{exp}}(s) - F_2^{\text{SM}}(s)$  as long as  $s \ll \Lambda_{\text{BSM}}^2$
- Bounds on light BSM become model dependent, but anyway better constrained in other processes

# First attempt: total cross section

- **Differential cross section** for  $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha^2 \beta}{4s} \left[ (2 - \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta) (|F_1|^2 - \gamma^2 |F_2|^2) + 4\text{Re}(F_1 F_2^*) + 2(1 + \gamma^2) |F_2|^2 \right]$$

with scattering angle  $\theta$ ,  $\beta = \sqrt{1 - 4m_\tau^2/s}$ ,  $\gamma = \sqrt{s}/(2m_\tau)$

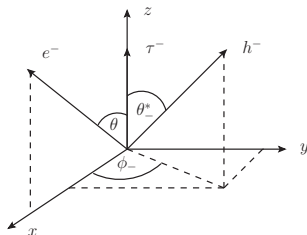
- Interference term  $4\text{Re}(F_1 F_2^*)$  sensitive to the sought two-loop effects
- Could be determined by fit to  $\theta$  dependence
- But: need to measure total cross section at  $10^{-6}$   
↪ **can we use asymmetries instead?**
- Usual forward–backward asymmetry ( $z = \cos \theta$ )

$$\sigma_{\text{FB}} = 2\pi \left[ \int_0^1 dz \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} - \int_{-1}^0 dz \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right]$$

alone does not help

## Second attempt: normal asymmetry

- Idea: use **polarization information of the  $\tau^\pm$**   
 $\hookrightarrow$  semileptonic decays  $\tau^\pm \rightarrow h^\pm \nu_\tau^{(-)}$ ,  $h = \pi, \rho, \dots$   
Bernabéu et al. 2007



- Polarization characterized by

$$\mathbf{n}_\pm^* = \mp \alpha_\pm \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta_\pm^* \cos \phi_\pm \\ \sin \theta_\pm^* \sin \phi_\pm \\ \cos \theta_\pm^* \end{pmatrix} \quad \alpha_\pm \equiv \frac{m_\tau^2 - 2m_{h^\pm}^2}{m_\tau^2 + 2m_{h^\pm}^2} = \begin{cases} 0.97 & h^\pm = \pi^\pm \\ 0.46 & h^\pm = \rho^\pm \end{cases}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  angles in  $\tau^\pm$  rest frame

- Normal asymmetry**

$$A_N^\pm = \frac{\sigma_L^\pm - \sigma_R^\pm}{\sigma} \propto \text{Im } F_2(s) \quad \sigma_L^\pm = \int_\pi^{2\pi} d\phi_\pm \frac{d\sigma_{\text{FB}}}{d\phi_\pm} \quad \sigma_R^\pm = \int_0^\pi d\phi_\pm \frac{d\sigma_{\text{FB}}}{d\phi_\pm}$$

$\hookrightarrow$  only get the imaginary part, **need electron polarization**

- **Transverse and longitudinal asymmetries** Bernabéu et al. 2007

$$A_T^\pm = \frac{\sigma_R^\pm - \sigma_L^\pm}{\sigma} \quad A_L^\pm = \frac{\sigma_{\text{FB}, R}^\pm - \sigma_{\text{FB}, L}^\pm}{\sigma}$$

- Constructed based on helicity difference

$$d\sigma_{\text{pol}}^S = \frac{1}{2} \left( d\sigma^{\text{S}\lambda} |_{\lambda=1} - d\sigma^{\text{S}\lambda} |_{\lambda=-1} \right)$$

and then integrating over angles

$$\sigma_R^\pm = \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d\phi_\pm \frac{d\sigma_{\text{pol}}^S}{d\phi_\pm} \quad \sigma_L^\pm = \int_{\pi/2}^{3\pi/2} d\phi_\pm \frac{d\sigma_{\text{pol}}^S}{d\phi_\pm} \quad \sigma_{\text{FB}, R}^\pm = \int_0^1 dz_\pm^* \frac{d\sigma_{\text{FB}, \text{pol}}^S}{dz_\pm^*} \quad \sigma_{\text{FB}, L}^\pm = \int_{-1}^0 dz_\pm^* \frac{d\sigma_{\text{FB}, \text{pol}}^S}{dz_\pm^*}$$

- Linear combination

$$A_T^\pm - \frac{\pi}{2\gamma} A_L^\pm = \mp \alpha_\pm \frac{\pi^2 \alpha^2 \beta^3 \gamma}{4s\sigma} [\text{Re}(F_2 F_1^*) + |F_2|^2]$$

isolates the interesting interference effect

# How to make use of this?

Contributions to $\text{Re } F_2^{\text{eff}}(s)$	$s = 0$	$s = (10 \text{ GeV})^2$
1-loop QED	1161.41	-265.90
e loop	10.92	-2.43
$\mu$ loop	1.95	-0.34
2-loop QED (mass independent)	-0.42	-0.24
HVP	3.33	-0.33
EW	0.47	0.47
total	1177.66	-268.77

$$\text{Re } F_2^{\text{eff}}((10 \text{ GeV})^2)$$

$$\simeq \mp \frac{0.73}{\alpha_{\pm}} \left( A_T^{\pm} - 0.56 A_L^{\pm} \right)$$

## ● Strategy:

- Measure effective  $F_2(s)$

$$\text{Re } F_2^{\text{eff}} = \mp \frac{8(3 - \beta^2)}{3\pi\gamma\beta^2\alpha_{\pm}} \left( A_T^{\pm} - \frac{\pi}{2\gamma} A_L^{\pm} \right)$$

- Compare measurement to SM prediction for  $\text{Re } F_2^{\text{eff}}$
- Difference gives constraint on  $a_T^{\text{BSM}}$
- A measurement of  $A_T^{\pm} - \frac{\pi}{2\gamma} A_L^{\pm}$  at  $\lesssim 1\%$  would already be competitive with current limits

## ● Challenges:

- Cancellation in  $A_T^\pm - \frac{\pi}{2\gamma} A_L^\pm$ :  $A_{T,L}^\pm = \mathcal{O}(1)$ , difference  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$
- Two-loop calculation in SM [see 2111.10378](#) for form factor and radiative corrections
- Form factor only dominates for resonant  $\tau^+\tau^-$  pairs

$$|H(M_\Upsilon)|^2 = \left(\frac{3}{\alpha} \text{Br}(\Upsilon \rightarrow e^+e^-)\right)^2 \simeq 100$$

- However: continuum pairs dominate even at  $\Upsilon(nS)$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3$ , due to energy spread
- Should consider  $A_T^\pm$ ,  $A_L^\pm$  also for nonresonant  $\tau^+\tau^-$ , but requires substantial investment in theory for SM prediction [Gogniat, MH, Ulrich, work in progress](#)