

Leading hadronic contribution to the muon magnetic moment from lattice QCD

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Lepton magnetic moments and BSM physics

Interaction with an external EM field: QM

Dirac eq. w/ minimal coupling (1928):

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} = \left[\vec{a} \cdot \left(c \frac{\hbar}{i} \vec{\nabla} - e_\ell \vec{A} \right) + \beta c^2 m_\ell + e_\ell A_0 \right] \psi$$

nonrelativistic limit \downarrow (Pauli eq.)

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t} = \left[\frac{\left(\frac{\hbar}{i} \vec{\nabla} - \frac{e_\ell}{c} \vec{A} \right)^2}{2m_\ell} - \underbrace{\frac{e_\ell \hbar}{2m_\ell} \vec{\sigma} \cdot \vec{B}}_{\vec{\mu}_\ell \cdot \vec{B}} + e_\ell A_0 \right] \phi$$

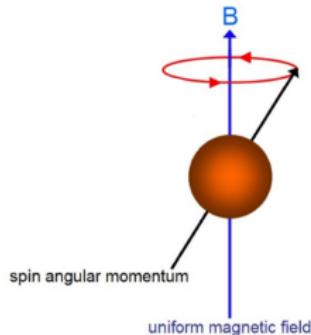
with

$$\vec{\mu}_\ell = g_\ell \left(\frac{e_\ell}{2m_\ell} \right) \vec{S}, \quad \vec{S} = \hbar \frac{\vec{\sigma}}{2}$$

and

$$g_\ell|_{\text{Dirac}} = 2$$

"That was really an unexpected bonus for me, completely unexpected." (P.A.M. Dirac)



Interaction with an external EM field: QFT

Assuming Poincaré invariance and current conservation ($q^\mu J_\mu = 0$ with $q \equiv p' - p$):

$$\langle \ell(p') | J_\mu(0) | \ell(p) \rangle = \bar{u}(p') \left[\gamma_\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i}{2m_\ell} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu F_2(q^2) - \gamma_5 \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu F_3(q^2) + \gamma_5 (q^2 \gamma_\mu - 2m_\ell q_\mu) F_4(q^2) \right] u(p)$$

$F_1(q^2)$ → Dirac form factor: $F_1(0) = 1$

$F_2(q^2)$ → Pauli form factor, magnetic dipole moment: $F_2(0) = a_\ell = \frac{g_\ell - 2}{2}$

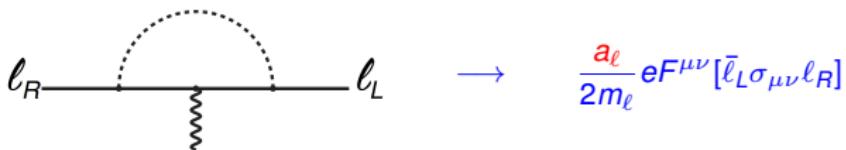
$F_3(q^2)$ → \not{P}, \not{T} , electric dipole moment: $F_3(0) = d_\ell / e_\ell$

$F_4(q^2)$ → \not{P} , anapole moment: $\vec{\sigma} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})$

$g_\ell|_{\text{Dirac}}$

- q^2 dependence of $F_1(q^2), F_2(q^2)$ & $F_{3,4}(q^2)$ come from loops but UV finite once charges and masses are renormalized (in a renormalizable theory)
- a_ℓ dimensionless
 - corrections including only ℓ and γ are mass independent, i.e. universal
 - contributions from particles w/ $M \gg m_\ell$ are $\propto (m_\ell/M)^{2p} \times \ln^q(m_\ell^2/M^2)$
 - contributions from particles w/ $m \ll m_\ell$ are e.g. $\propto \ln(m_\ell^2/m^2)$

Why are a_ℓ special?



- $a_{e,\mu}$ are parameter-free predictions of the SM and can be measured directly, very precisely
→ excellent tests of SM
- Loop induced ⇒ sensitive to new dofs that may be too heavy or too weakly coupled to be produced directly
- CP and flavor conserving, chirality flipping ⇒ complementary to: EDMs, s and b decays, LHC direct searches, ...
- Chirality flipping ⇒ generic contribution of particle w/ $M \gg m_\ell$

$$a_\ell^M = C \left(\frac{\Delta_{LR}}{m_\ell} \right) \left(\frac{m_\ell}{M} \right)^2$$

- In EW theory, $M = M_W$, chirality flipping from Yukawa and weak interactions, i.e.

$$\Delta_{LR} = m_\ell \quad \text{and} \quad C \sim \frac{\alpha}{4\pi \sin^2 \theta_W}$$

- In BSM, can have chiral enhancement: e.g. SUSY $M = M_{\text{SUSY}}$ and $C \sim \alpha / (4\pi \sin^2 \theta_W)$ & $\Delta_{LR} = (\mu/M_{\text{SUSY}}) \times \tan \beta \times m_\ell$; or radiative m_ℓ model, $\Delta_{LR} \simeq m_\ell$, $C \sim 1$ and $M = M_{N\Phi}$

Why is a_μ special?

$$m_e : m_\mu : m_\tau = 0.0005 : 0.106 : 1.777 \text{ GeV} \quad \tau_e : \tau_\mu : \tau_\tau = " \infty " : 2 \cdot 10^{-6} : 3 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ s}$$

- a_μ is $(m_\mu/m_e)^2 \sim 4 \times 10^4$ times more sensitive to new Φ than a_e
 - a_τ is even more sensitive to new Φ , but is too shortly lived
 - τ_μ small but manageable
- measure & compute a_μ in SM as precisely as possible

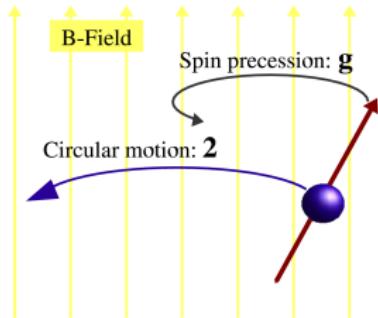
Big question:

$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} = a_\mu^{\text{SM}} ?$$

If not, there must be new Φ

Experimental measurement of a_μ

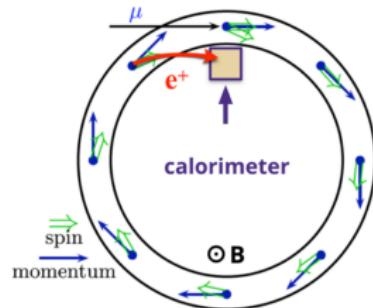
Measurement principle for a_μ



Precession determined by

$$\vec{\mu}_\mu = 2(1 + a_\mu) \frac{Qe}{2m_\mu} \vec{S}$$

$$\vec{d}_\mu = \eta_\mu \frac{Qe}{2m_\mu c} \vec{S}$$



$$\vec{\omega}_{a\eta} = \vec{\omega}_a + \vec{\omega}_\eta = -\frac{Qe}{m_\mu} \left[a_\mu \vec{B} + \left(a_\mu - \frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1} \right) \frac{\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}}{c} \right] - \eta_\mu \frac{Qe}{2m_\mu} \left[\frac{\vec{E}}{c} + \vec{\beta} \times \vec{B} \right]$$

- Experiment measures very precisely \vec{B} with $|\vec{B}| \gg |\vec{E}|/c$ &

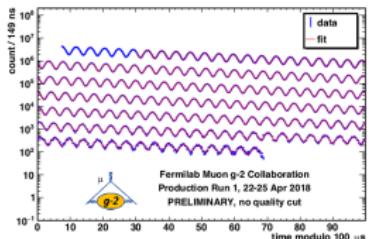
$$\Delta\omega \equiv \omega_S - \omega_C \simeq \sqrt{\omega_a^2 + \omega_\eta^2} \simeq \omega_a$$

since $d_\mu = 0.1(9) \times 10^{-19} e \cdot \text{cm}$ (Benett et al '09)

- Consider either magic $\gamma = 29.3$ (CERN/BNL/Fermilab) or $\vec{E} = 0$ (J-PARC)

$$\rightarrow \Delta\omega \simeq -a_\mu B \frac{Qe}{m_\mu}$$

Fermilab E989 @ magic γ : measurement (simplified)



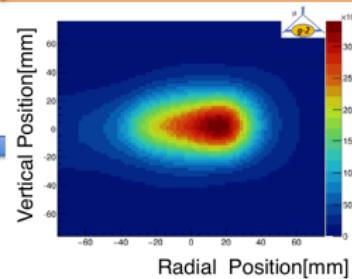
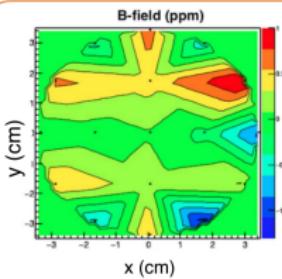
ω_a

Extract from decay positron time spectra

$$N(t) = N_0 e^{-t/\tau_\mu} [1 + A \cos(\omega_a t + \phi)]$$

$$a_\mu = \left(\frac{g_e}{2} \right) \left(\frac{\omega_a}{\langle \omega_p \rangle} \right) \left(\frac{\mu_p}{\mu_e} \right) \left(\frac{m_\mu}{m_e} \right)$$

0.26 ppt 3 ppb 22 ppb → 2017 CODATA

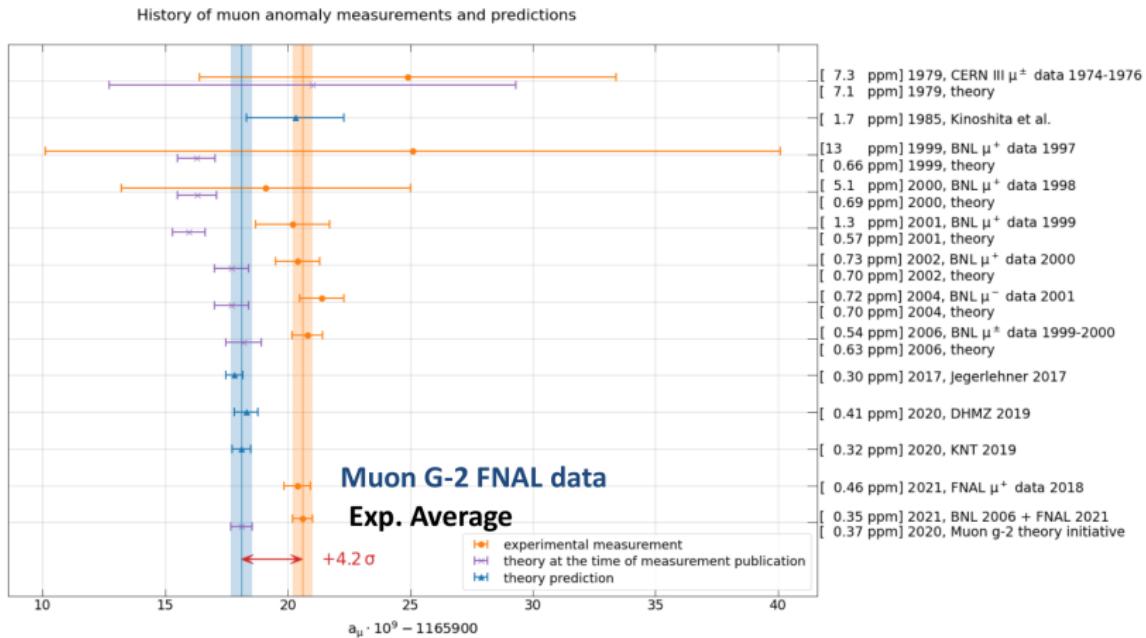


$$\langle \omega_p \rangle \approx \omega_p \otimes \rho(r)$$

Average magnetic field weighted by muon distribution

ω_p : free proton precession frequency
Using proton NMR $\hbar \omega_p = 2 \mu_p B$

$g_\mu - 2$ updated history (7 April 2021)



$$a_\mu(\text{AVG}) = 116\,592\,061(41) \times 10^{-11} \quad (0.35 \text{ ppm}).$$

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G. Venanzoni, CERN Seminar, 8 April 2021

Precision of a bathroom scale that could tell you that you had just lost a small eyelash !!!

Based on only 6% of expected FNAL data! → aim $\delta a_\mu = 0.14 \text{ ppm}$

Standard model calculation of a_μ

At needed precision: all three interactions and all SM particles

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{SM}} &= a_\mu^{\text{QED}} + a_\mu^{\text{had}} + a_\mu^{\text{EW}} \\ &= \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\alpha}{2\pi}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_\mu}{M_\rho}\right)^2\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(\frac{e}{4\pi \sin \theta_W}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_\mu}{M_W}\right)^2\right) \\ &= \mathcal{O}(10^{-3}) + \mathcal{O}(10^{-7}) + \mathcal{O}(10^{-9}) \end{aligned}$$



QED contributions to a_ℓ

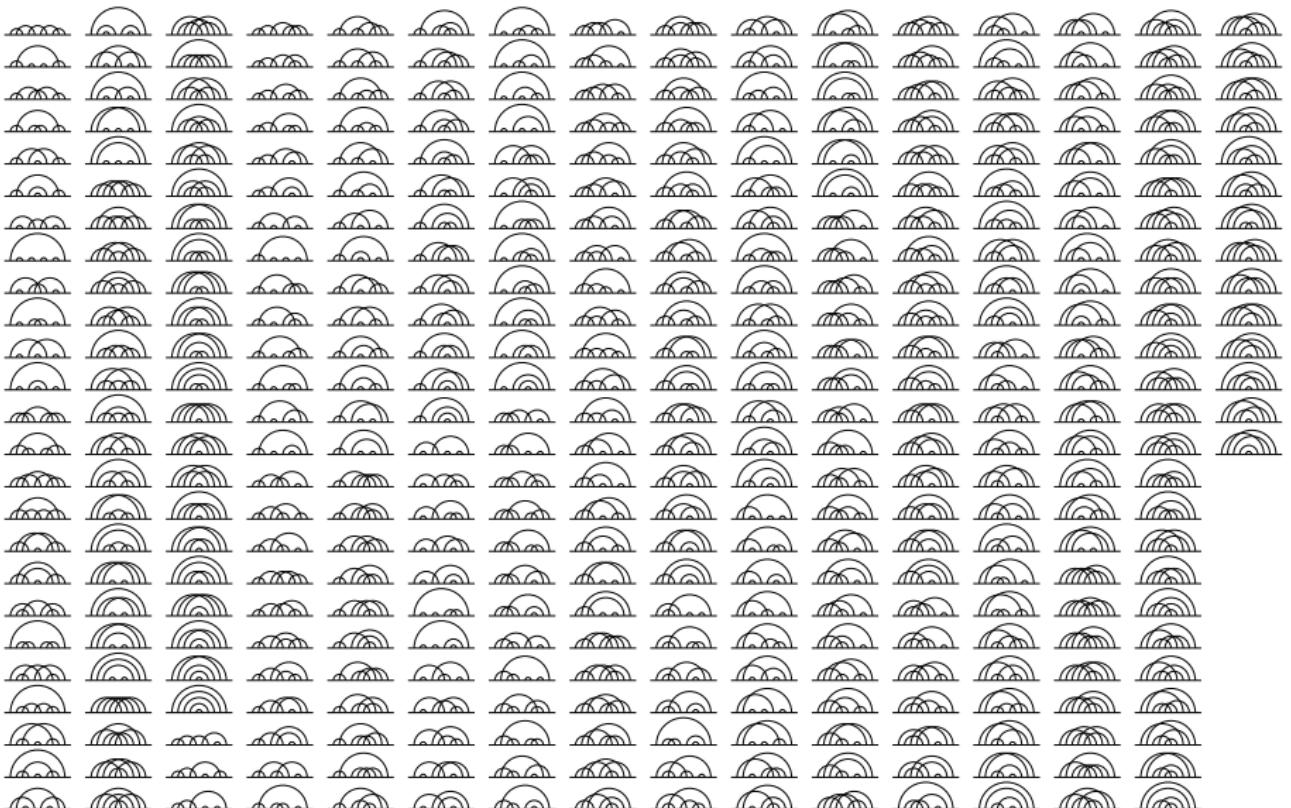
Loops with only photons and leptons

$$a_\ell^{\text{QED}} = C_\ell^{(2)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right) + C_\ell^{(4)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 + C_\ell^{(6)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 + C_\ell^{(8)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^4 + C_\ell^{(10)} \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^5 + \dots$$

$$C_\ell^{(2n)} = A_1^{(2n)} + A_2^{(2n)}(m_\ell/m_{\ell'}) + A_3^{(2n)}(m_\ell/m_{\ell'}, m_\ell/m_{\ell''})$$

- $A_1^{(2)}, A_1^{(4)}, A_1^{(6)}, A_2^{(4)}, A_2^{(6)}, A_3^{(6)}$ known analytically (Schwinger '48; Sommerfield '57, '58; Petermann '57; ...)
- $O((\alpha/\pi)^3)$: 72 diagrams (Laporta et al '91, '93, '95, '96; Kinoshita '95)
- $O((\alpha/\pi)^4; (\alpha/\pi)^5)$: 891; 12,672 diagrams (Laporta '95; Aguilar et al '08; Aoyama, Kinoshita, Nio '96-'18)
 - Automated generation of diagrams
 - Numerical evaluation of loop integrals
 - Only some diagrams are known analytically
 - Not all contributions are fully, independently checked

5-loop QED diagrams



(Aoyama et al '15)

QED contribution to a_μ

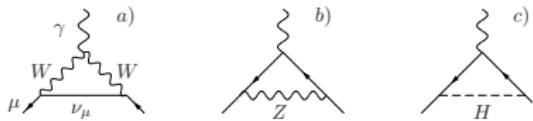
$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{QED}}(Cs) &= 1\,165\,847\,189.31(7)_{m_\tau}(17)_{\alpha^4}(6)_{\alpha^5}(100)_{\alpha^6}(23)_{\alpha(Cs)} \times 10^{-12} [0.9 \text{ ppb}] \\ a_\mu^{\text{QED}}(a_e) &= 1\,165\,847\,188.42(7)_{m_\tau}(17)_{\alpha^4}(6)_{\alpha^5}(100)_{\alpha^6}(28)_{\alpha(a_e)} \times 10^{-12} [0.9 \text{ ppb}] \end{aligned}$$

(Aoyama et al '12, '18, '19)

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{QED}} &= 734.2(4.1) \times 10^{-10} \\ &\stackrel{?}{=} a_\mu^{\text{EW}} + a_\mu^{\text{had}} \end{aligned}$$

Electroweak contributions to a_μ : Z , W , H , etc. loops

1-loop

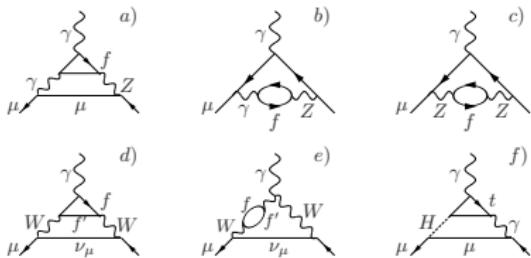


$$a_{\mu}^{\text{EW},(1)} = O\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}G_F m_{\mu}^2}{16\pi^2}\right)$$

$$= 19.479(1) \times 10^{-10}$$

(Gnendiger et al '15, Aoyama et al '20 and refs therein)

2-loop



$$a_{\mu}^{\text{EW},(2)} = O\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}G_F m_{\mu}^2}{16\pi^2} \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)$$

$$= -4.12(10) \times 10^{-10}$$

(Gnendiger et al '15 and refs therein)

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{EW}} = 15.36(10) \times 10^{-10}$$

Hadronic contributions to a_μ : quark and gluon loops

$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{QED}} - a_\mu^{\text{EW}} = 718.9(4.1) \times 10^{-10} \stackrel{?}{=} a_\mu^{\text{had}}$$

Clearly right order of magnitude:

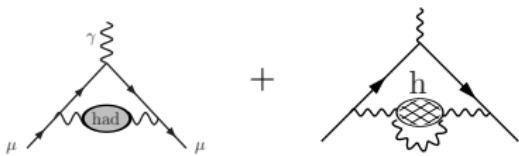
$$a_\mu^{\text{had}} = O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \left(\frac{m_\mu}{M_\rho}\right)^2\right) = O(10^{-7})$$

(already Gourdin & de Rafael '69 found $a_\mu^{\text{had}} = 650(50) \times 10^{-10}$)

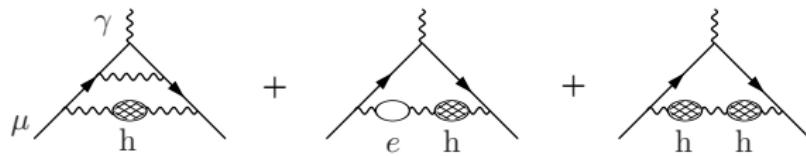
Write

$$a_\mu^{\text{had}} = a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}} + a_\mu^{\text{HO-HVP}} + a_\mu^{\text{HLbyL}} + O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^4\right)$$

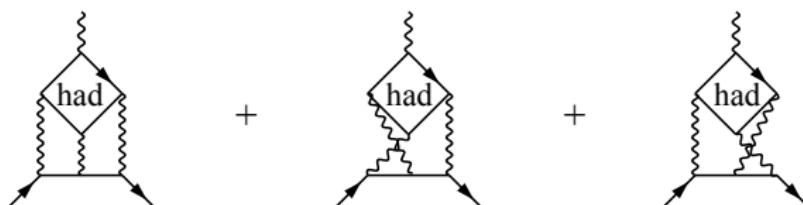
Hadronic contributions to a_μ : diagrams



$$\rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}} = O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2\right)$$

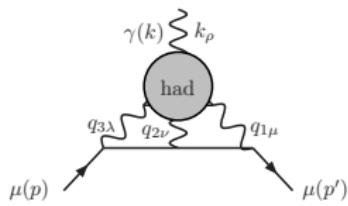


$$+ \dots \rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{NLO-HVP}} = O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3\right)$$



$$+ \dots \rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = O\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3\right)$$

Hadronic light-by-light

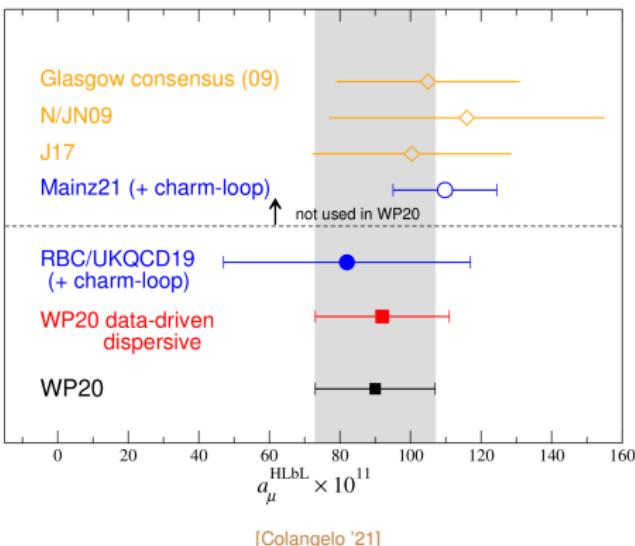


- HLbL much more complicated than HVP, but ultimate precision needed is $\simeq 10\%$ instead of $\simeq 0.2\%$
- For many years, only accessible to models of QCD w/ difficult to estimate systematics (Prades et al '09):
 $a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = 10.5(2.6) \times 10^{-10}$

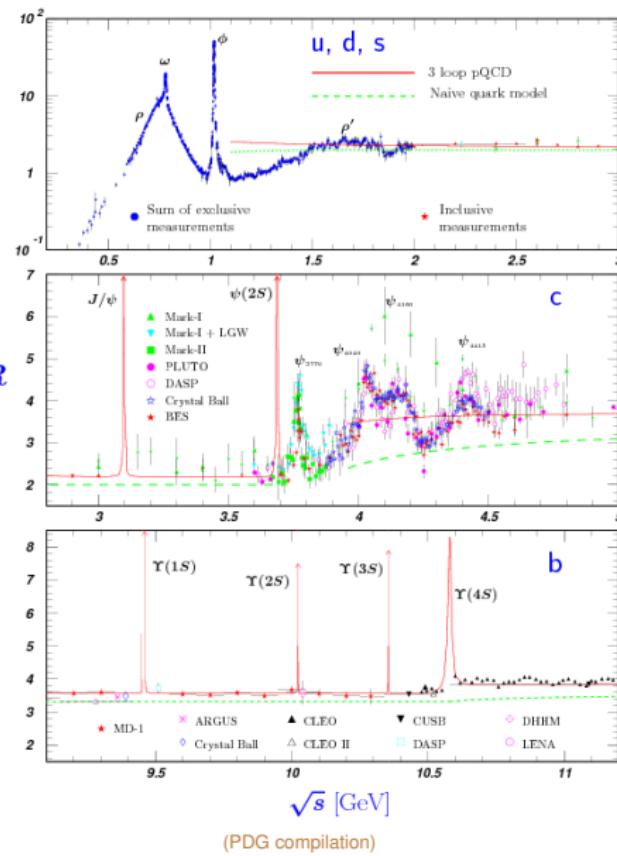
- Also, lattice QCD calculations were exploratory and incomplete

- Tremendous progress in past 5 years:

- Phenomenology: rigorous data driven approach [Colangelo, Hoferichter, Kubis, Procura, Stoffer, . . . '15-'20]
- Lattice: first two solid lattice calculations
- All agree w/ older model results but error estimate much more solid and will improve
- Agreed upon average w/ NLO HLbL and conservative error estimates [WP '20]
- $a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{QED}} - a_\mu^{\text{EW}} - a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = 709.7(4.5) \times 10^{-10} \stackrel{?}{=} a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}$



HVP from $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{had}$ (or $\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{had}$)



Use [Bouchiat et al 61] optical theorem (unitarity)

$$\text{Im}[\text{hadrons}] \propto |\text{hadrons}|^2$$

$$\text{Im}\Pi(s) = -\frac{R(s)}{12\pi}, \quad R(s) \equiv \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{had})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)}$$

and a once subtracted dispersion relation (analyticity)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\Pi}(Q^2) &= \int_0^\infty ds \frac{Q^2}{s(s+Q^2)} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi(s) \\ &= \frac{Q^2}{12\pi^2} \int_0^\infty ds \frac{1}{s(s+Q^2)} R(s) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$ & $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ from data: sum of exclusive $\pi^+\pi^-$ etc. channels from CMD-2&3, SND, BES, KLOE '08,'10&'12, BABAR '09, etc.

$$a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}} = 694.0(1.0)(3.9) \times 10^{-10}$$

[DHMZ'19] (sys. domin.)

Can also use $I(J^{PC}) = 1(1^{--})$ part of $\tau \rightarrow \nu_\tau + \text{had}$ and isospin symmetry + corrections

Standard model prediction and comparison to experiment

SM prediction vs experiment on April 7, 2021 (v1)

SM contribution	$a_\mu^{\text{contrib.}} \times 10^{10}$	Ref.
HVP LO (R-ratio)	692.8 ± 2.4	[KNT '19]
	694.0 ± 4.0	[DHMZ '19]
	692.3 ± 3.3	[CHHKS '19]
HVP LO (R-ratio, avg)	693.1 ± 4.0	[WP '20]
HVP LO (lattice<2021)	711.6 ± 18.4	[WP '20]
HVP NLO	-9.83 ± 0.07	[Kurz et al '14, Jegerlehner '16, WP '20]
HVP NNLO	1.24 ± 0.01	[Kurz '14, Jeger. '16]
HLbyL LO (pheno)	9.2 ± 1.9	[WP '20]
HLbyL LO (lattice<2021)	$7.8 \pm 3.1 \pm 1.8$	[RBC '19]
HLbyL LO (lattice 2021)	$10.7 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.9$	[Mainz '21]
HLbyL LO (avg)	9.0 ± 1.7	[WP '20]
HLbyL NLO (pheno)	0.2 ± 0.1	[WP '20]
QED [5 loops]	11658471.8931 ± 0.0104	[Aoyama '19, WP '20]
EW [2 loops]	15.36 ± 0.10	[Gnendiger '15, WP '20]
HVP Tot. (R-ratio)	684.5 ± 4.0	[WP '20]
HLbL Tot.	9.2 ± 1.8	[WP '20]
SM [0.37 ppm]	11659181.0 ± 4.3	[WP '20]
Exp [0.35 ppm]	11659206.1 ± 4.1	[BNL '06 + FNAL '21]
Exp – SM	25.1 ± 5.9 [4.2 σ]	

SM prediction vs experiment on April 7, 2021 (v2)

SM contribution	$a_\mu^{\text{contrib.}} \times 10^{10}$	Ref.
HVP LO (R-ratio)	692.8 ± 2.4	[KNT '19]
	694.0 ± 4.0	[DHMZ '19]
	692.3 ± 3.3	[CHHKS '19]
HVP LO (R-ratio, avg)	693.1 ± 4.0	[WP '20]
HVP LO (lattice)	707.5 ± 5.5	[BMWc '20]
HVP NLO	-9.83 ± 0.07	[Kurz et al '14, Jegerlehner '16, WP '20]
HVP NNLO	1.24 ± 0.01	[Kurz '14, Jeger. '16]
HLbyL LO (pheno)	9.2 ± 1.9	[WP '20]
HLbyL LO (lattice < 2021)	$7.8 \pm 3.1 \pm 1.8$	[RBC '19]
HLbyL LO (lattice 2021)	$10.7 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.9$	[Mainz '21]
HLbyL LO (avg)	9.0 ± 1.7	[WP '20]
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EW [2 loops]	15.36 ± 0.10	[Gnendiger '15, WP '20]
HVP Tot. (lat. + R-ratio)	698.9 ± 5.5	[WP '20, BMWc '20]
HLbL Tot.	9.2 ± 1.8	[WP '20]
SM [0.49 ppm]	11659195.4 ± 5.7	[WP '20 + BMWc '20]
Exp [0.35 ppm]	11659206.1 ± 4.1	[BNL '06 + FNAL '21]
Exp – SM	10.7 ± 7.0 [1.5 σ]	

Very brief introduction to lattice QCD

What is lattice QCD (LQCD)?

To describe matter w/ sub-% precision, QCD requires $\geq 10^4$ numbers at every spacetime point

$\rightarrow \infty$ number of numbers in our continuous spacetime

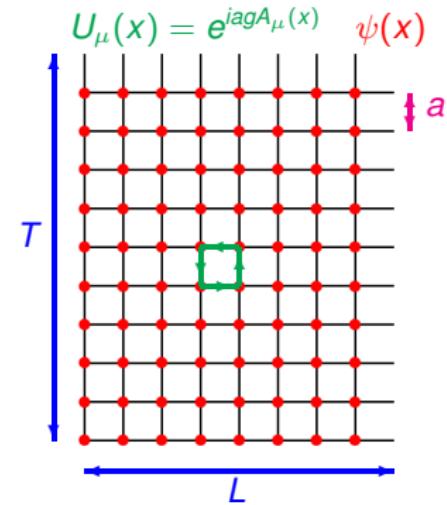
\rightarrow must temporarily “simplify” the theory to be able to calculate (*regularization*)

\Rightarrow Lattice gauge theory \rightarrow mathematically sound definition of NP QCD:

- UV (& IR) cutoff \rightarrow well defined path integral in Euclidean spacetime:

$$\begin{aligned}\langle O \rangle &= \int \mathcal{D}U \bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi e^{-S_G - \int \bar{\psi} D[M] \psi} O[U, \psi, \bar{\psi}] \\ &= \int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S_G} \det(D[M]) O[U]_{\text{Wick}}\end{aligned}$$

- $DU e^{-S_G} \det(D[M]) \geq 0$ & finite # of dofs
 \rightarrow evaluate numerically using stochastic methods



LQCD is QCD when $m_q \rightarrow m_q^{\text{ph}}$, $a \rightarrow 0$ (after renormalization), $L \rightarrow \infty$ (and stats $\rightarrow \infty$)

HUGE conceptual and numerical ($O(10^9)$ dofs) challenge

Our “accelerators”

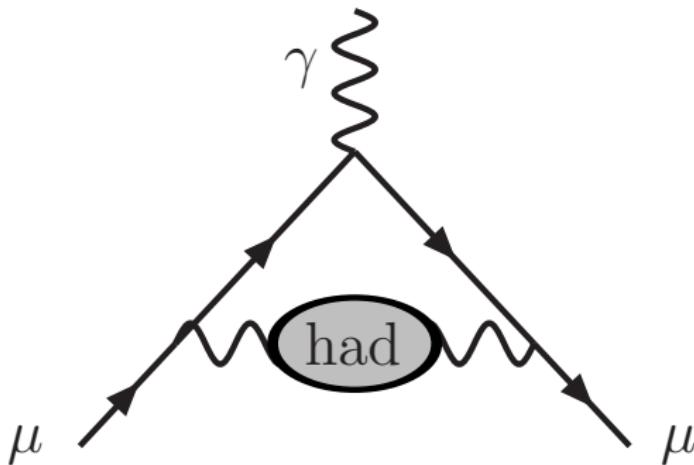
Such computations require some of the world's most powerful supercomputers



- 1 year on supercomputer
~ 100 000 years on laptop
- In Germany, those of the Forschungszentrum Jülich, the Leibniz Supercomputing Centre (Munich), and the High Performance Computing Center (Stuttgart); in France, Turing and Jean Zay at the Institute for Development and Resources in Intensive Scientific Computing (IDRIS) of the CNRS, and Joliot-Curie at the Very Large Computing Centre (TGCC) of the CEA, by way of the French Large-scale Computing Infrastructure (GENCI).

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Lattice QCD calculation of a_μ^{HVP}



All quantities related to a_μ will be given in units of 10^{-10}

HVP from LQCD: introduction

Consider in Euclidean spacetime, i.e. spacelike $q^2 = -Q^2 \leq 0$ [Blum '02]

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q) &= \text{Diagram: } \gamma \xrightarrow{\text{q}} \text{Hatched circle} \xleftarrow{\text{q}} \gamma \\ &= \int d^4x e^{iQ \cdot x} \langle J_\mu(x) J_\nu(0) \rangle \\ &= (Q_\mu Q_\nu - \delta_{\mu\nu} Q^2) \Pi(Q^2)\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{w/ } J_\mu = \frac{2}{3} \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{3} \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d - \frac{1}{3} \bar{s} \gamma_\mu s + \frac{2}{3} \bar{c} \gamma_\mu c + \dots$$

Then [Lautrup et al '69, Blum '02]

$$a_e^{\text{LO-HVP}} = \alpha^2 \int_0^\infty \frac{dQ^2}{m_\ell^2} k(Q^2/m_\ell^2) \hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$$

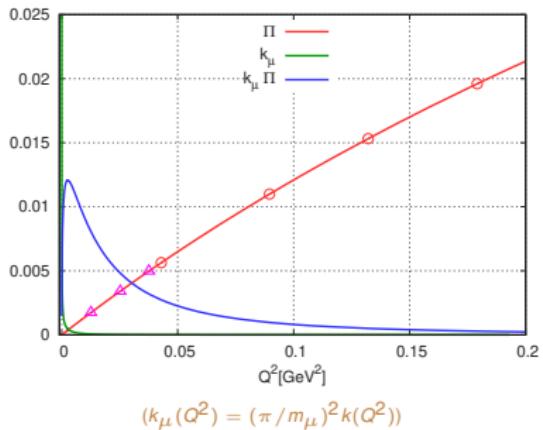
$$\text{w/ } \hat{\Pi}(Q^2) \equiv [\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0)]$$

FV & $a \neq 0$: discrete momenta, $\Pi_{\mu\nu}(0) \neq 0$ & $\Pi(0) \sim \ln a$

→ modify Fourier transform to take care of all three problems
and eliminate some noise [Bernecker et al '11, BMWc '13, Feng et al '13,
Lehner '14, ...]

Contributions of $ud, s, c \dots$ have very different systematics (and statistical errors) on lattice

→ study each one individually



Key new ingredients

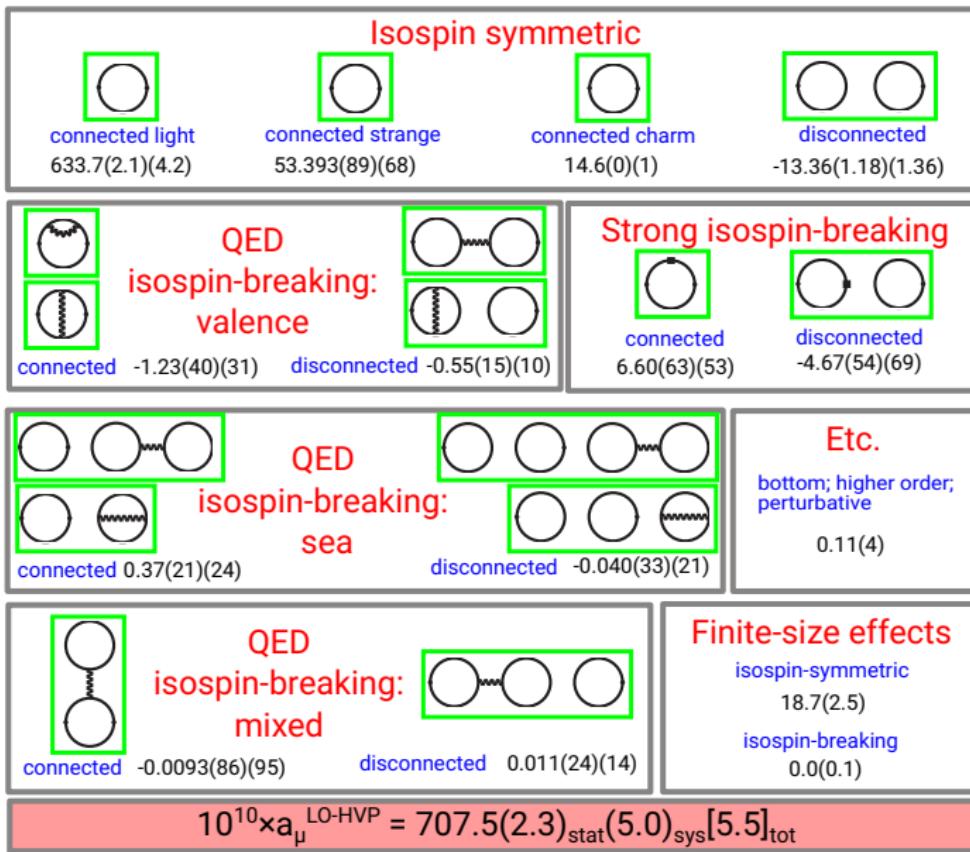
- Noise in ud contributions grows exponentially at large distances
 - algorithmic improvements (EigCG, solver truncation [Bali et al '09], all mode averaging [Blum et al '13]) to generate more statistics: >25,000 gauge configurations & 10's of millions of measurements
 - exact treatment of IR modes to reduce long-distance noise (low mode averaging [Neff et al '01, Giusti et al '04, ...])
 - rigorous upper/lower bounds on long-distance contribution [Lehner '16, BMWc '17]
 - ⇒ statistical error reduced from 1.1% to 0.3%
- Permil determination of QCD scale in our simulations: naively $\frac{\delta a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}}{a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}} \sim 2 \times \frac{\delta a}{a}$
 - Fix w/ Ω^- baryon mass computed w/ 2% error
 - Compute Wilson-flow scale [Lüscher '10, BMWc '12] and use to define isospin limit: $w_0 = 0.17236(29)(66)$
 - ⇒ lattice spacing error reduced from percent to permil
- Even in our large volumes w/ $L \gtrsim 6.1 \text{ fm}$ & $T \geq 8.7 \text{ fm}$, exponentially suppressed FV effects significant
 - 1-loop $SU(2)$ χ PT [Aubin et al '16] suggests ~2%
 - leading 2% systematic in all previous $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ lattice calculations
 - perform dedicated FV study w/ even larger volumes ($\sim 11 \text{ fm}$)⁴ and use theory for tiny, residual correction
 - ⇒ FV error reduced from 2% to 0.35%

Key new ingredients

- Need controlled continuum, $a \rightarrow 0$ limit
 - perform all calculations at 6 a 's: $0.134 \rightarrow 0.064$ fm
 - statistical error at finest a reduced from 1.9% to 0.3%!
 - improve approach to continuum limit w/ EFTs and phenomenological models (SRHO) [Sakurai '60, Jegerlehner et al '11, Chakraborty et al '17, BMWc '20] w/ 2-loop $SU(2)$ $S\chi$ PT for systematic error [Bijnens et al '99, BMWc '20]
 - ⇒ error reduced from 1.1% to 0.6%
- Include all relevant QED and $m_u \neq m_d$ effects
 - compute ALL $O(\alpha)$ and $O(\delta m = m_d - m_u)$ effects on ALL quantities needed
 - ⇒ error reduced from 0.8% to 0.2%
- Thorough and robust determination of statistical and systematic errors
 - Stat. err.: resampling methods
 - Syst. err.: extended frequentist approach [BMWc '08, '14]
 - Hundreds of thousands of different analyses of correlation functions
 - Weighted by AIC weight
 - Use median of distribution for central values & 16 \div 84% confidence interval to get total error

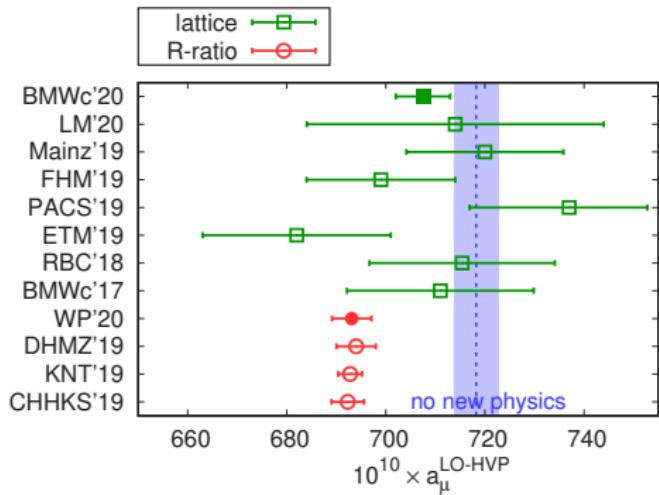
(Nature paper has 95 pp. Supplementary information detailing methods)

Summary of contributions to $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$

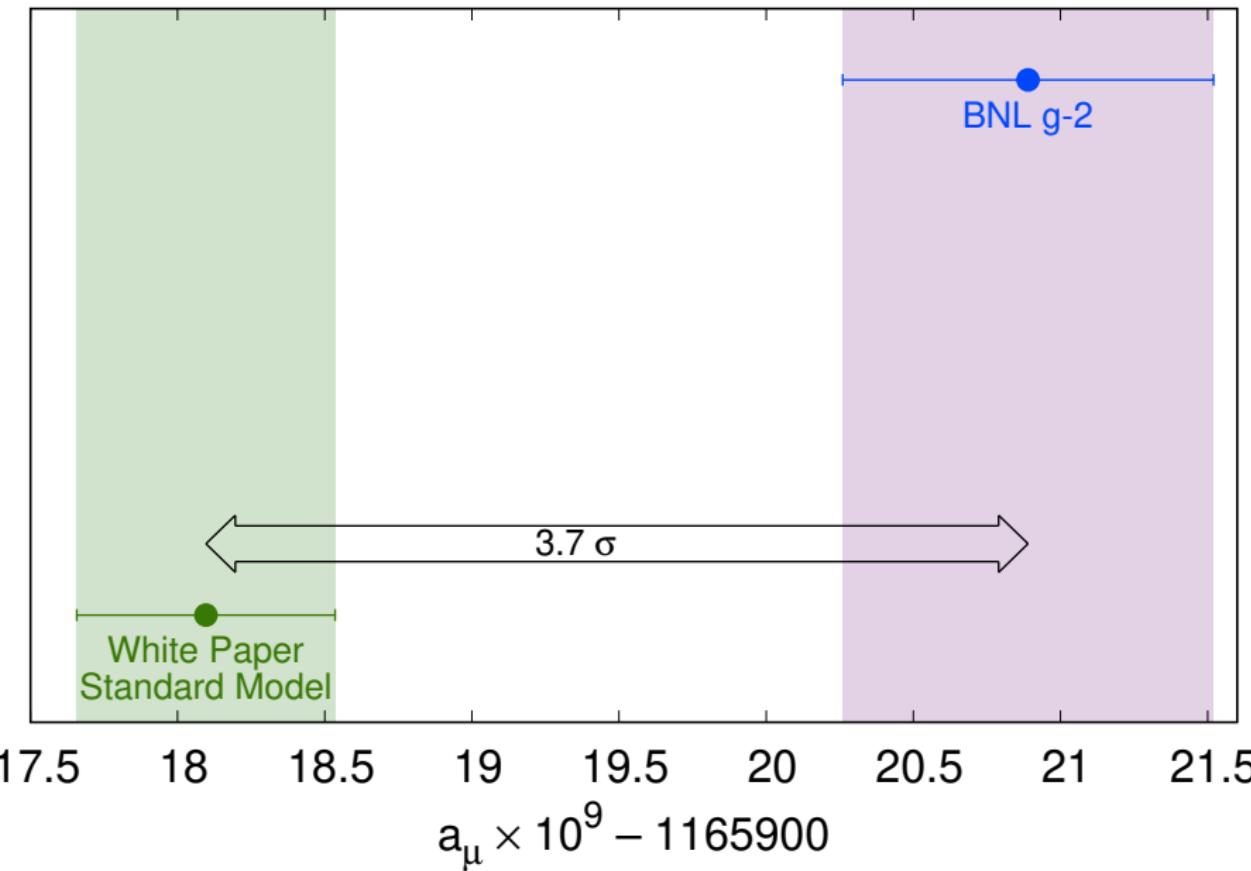


Comparison and outlook

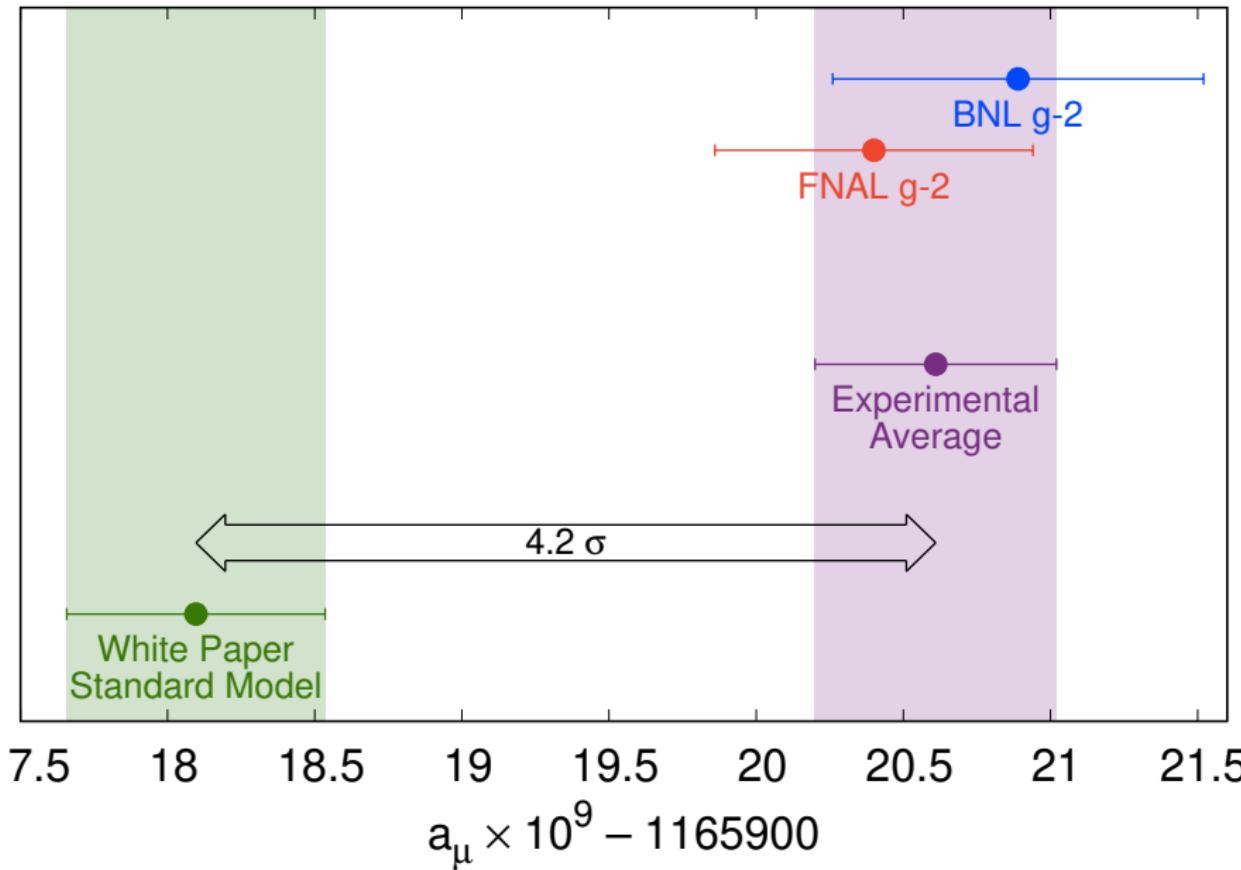
Comparison



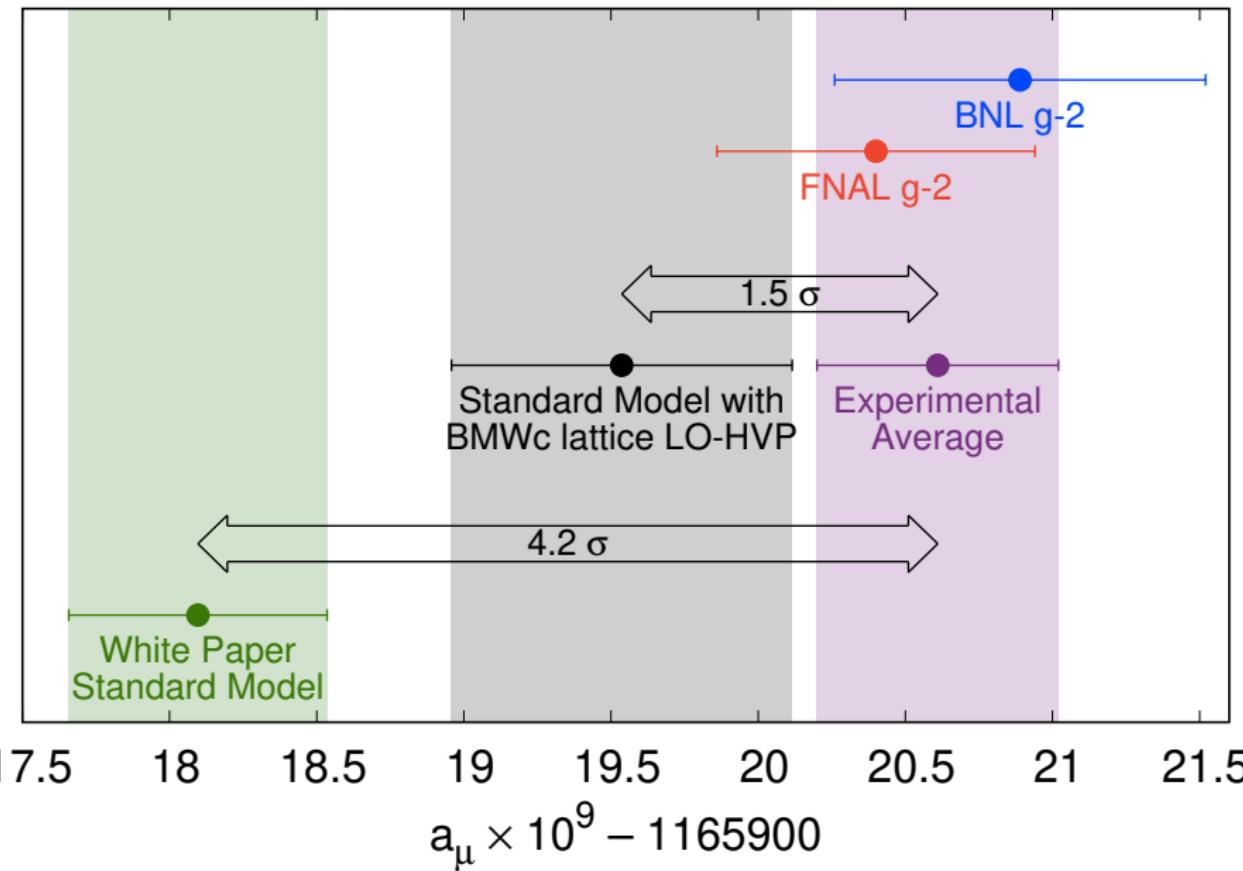
- Consistent with other lattice results
- Total uncertainty is $\sim \div 3 \dots$
- ... and comparable to R-ratio and experiment
- Consistent w/ experiment @ 1.5σ ("no new physics" scenario) !
- 2.1σ larger than R-ratio average value [WP '20]



Fermilab plot, April 7 2021

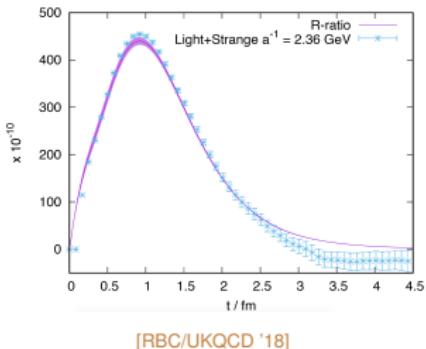


Fermilab plot, April 7 2021, BMWc version

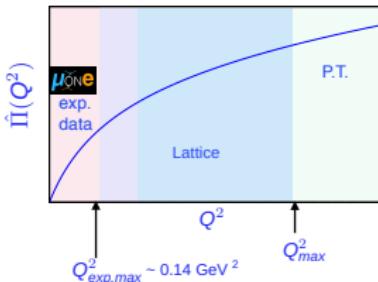


What next?

- FNAL to reduce WA error by factor of 2.5 in coming years
- HLB-L error must be reduced by factor of $1.5 \div 2$
- Must reduce ours by factor of 4 !
- Will experiment still agree with our prediction ?
- Must be confirmed by other lattice groups
- If confirmed, must understand why lattice doesn't agree with R-ratio
- If disagreement can be fixed, combine LQCD and phenomenology to improve overall uncertainty [RBC/UKQCD '18]
- Important to pursue $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ measurements [BaBar, CMD-3, Belle III, ...]
- $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$ experiment MUonE very important for experimental crosscheck and complementarity w/ LQCD
- Important to build J-PARC $g_\mu - 2$ and pursue a_e experiments



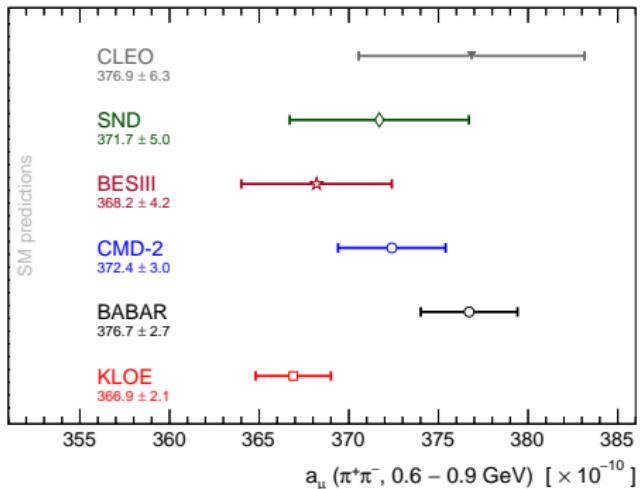
[RBC/UKQCD '18]



[Marinkovic et al '19]

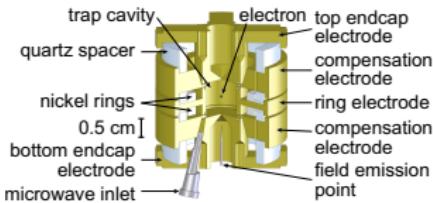
BACKUP

Tensions in R-ratio: $\pi^+\pi^-$ contribution to $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$



- BaBar and KLOE contributions for $\sqrt{s} \in [0.6, 0.9]\text{GeV}$ disagree by 2.9σ
- $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ from BaBar alone exhibits lesser tension with our result
- Not enough to explain lattice vs R-ratio tension
- New 2020 results by SND between BaBar and KLOE
- New CMD-3 results expected later this year

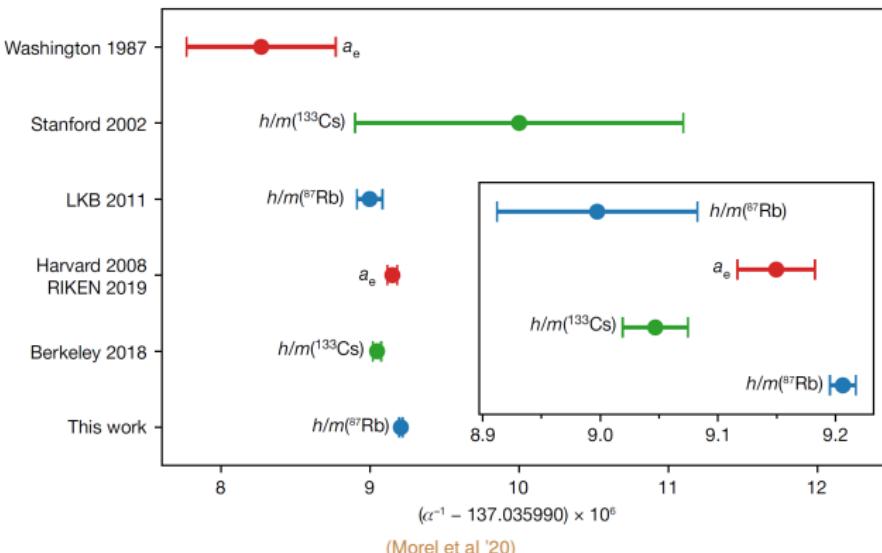
Measurement of a_e and α



$$a_e^{\text{exp}} = 1\ 159\ 652\ 180.73(28) \times 10^{-12} [0.24 \text{ ppb}]$$

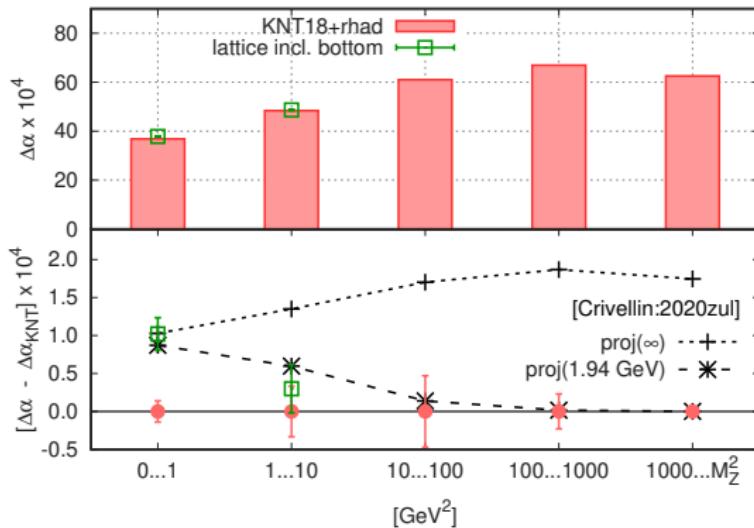
(Hanneke et al '08)

With 5-loop QED $\Rightarrow \sigma_\alpha/\alpha = 2.4 \times 10^{-10}$ vs 0.81×10^{-10} from Rb



Do our results imply NP @ EW scale?

- Passera et al '08: first exploration of connection $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}} \leftrightarrow \Delta_{\text{had}}^{(5)} \alpha(M_Z^2)$
- Crivellin et al '20, most aggressive scenario (see also Keshavarzi et al '20): our results suggest a 4.2σ overshoot in $\Delta_{\text{had}}^{(5)} \alpha(M_Z^2)$ compared to result of fit to EWPO
- They assume 2.8% relative deviation in R-ratio for all s (\sim excess we found in $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$)
- Hypothesis is not consistent w/ BMWc '17 nor new result



- Malaescu et al '20, de Rafael '20 & Colangelo et al '20 also show that values of $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ even as large as needed to explain a_μ^{exp} do not necessarily imply $\Delta_{\text{had}}^{(5)} \alpha(M_Z^2)$ in conflict w/ EWPO