

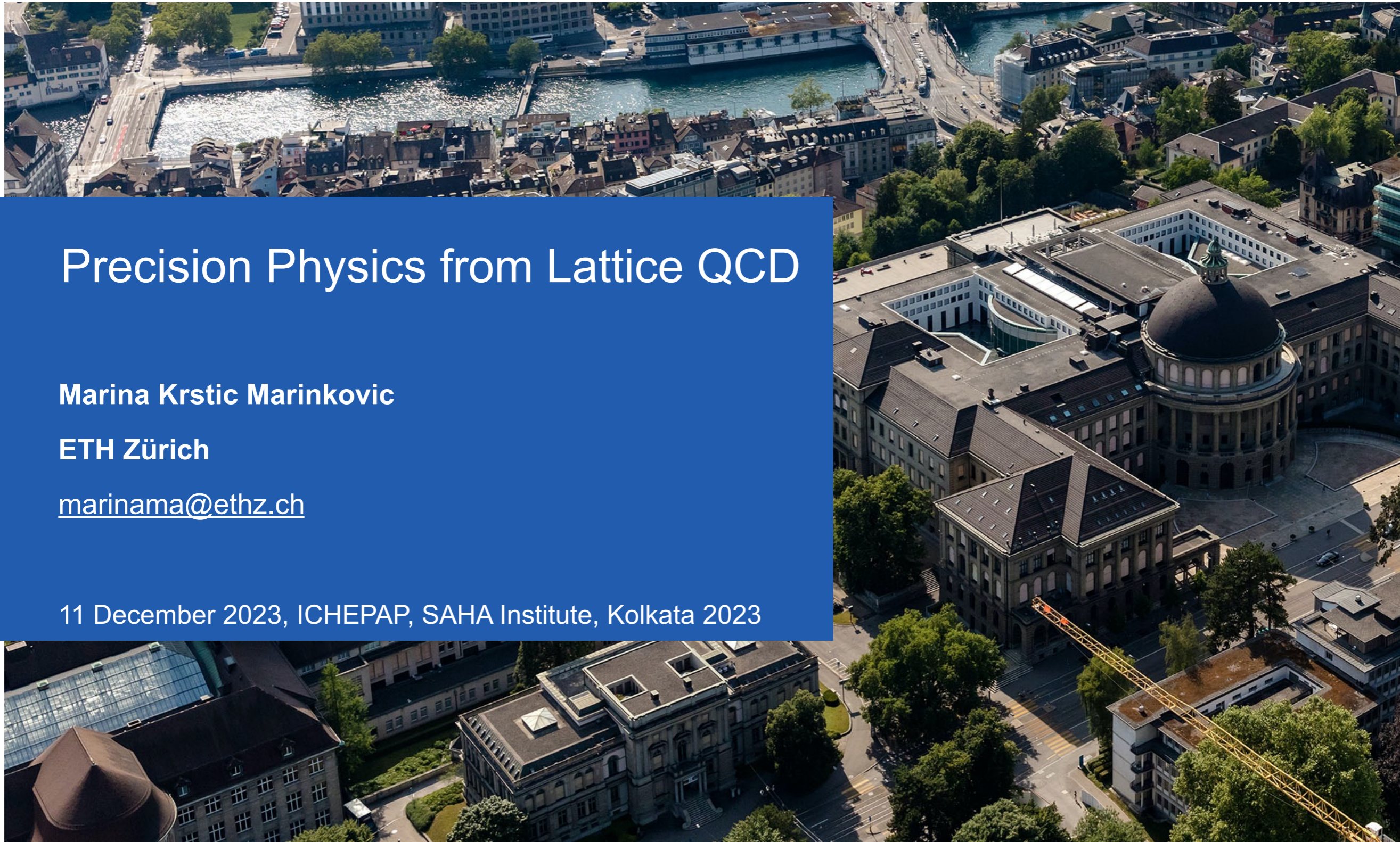
# Precision Physics from Lattice QCD

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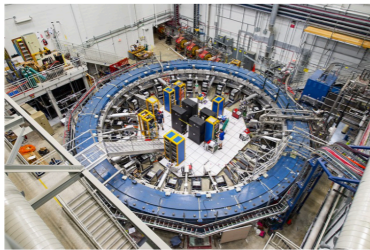
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# Outline

## 1. Setting the Stage: **Anomalous Magnetic Moment of the Muon** on the lattice



<https://muon-gm2-theory.illinois.edu/white-paper/>  
[arXiv:2006.04822](https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.04822)

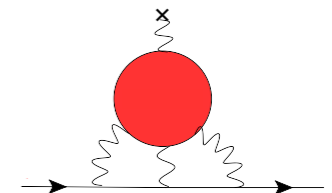
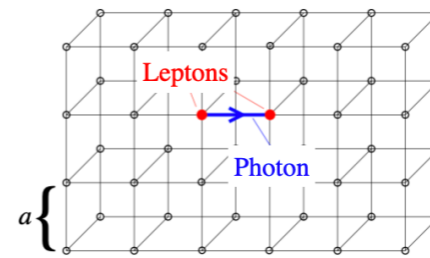
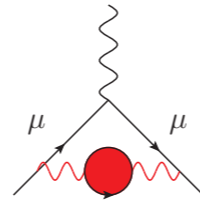
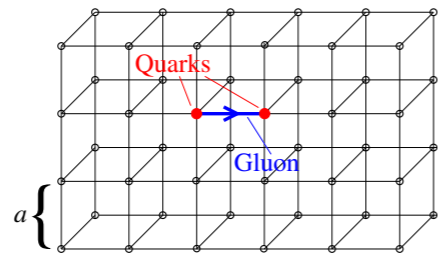
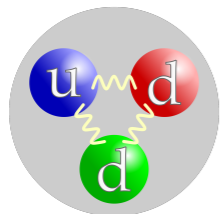


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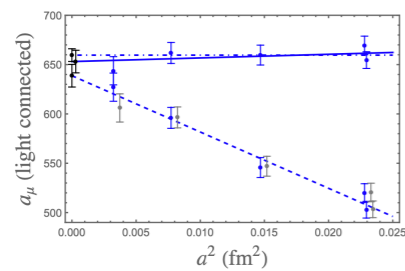


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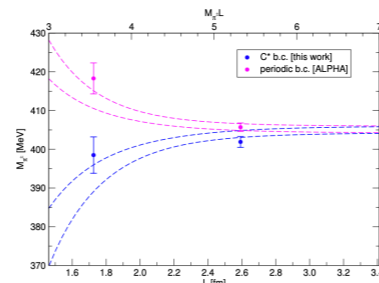
## 2. **HLbL** from Lattice QCD and QCD+QED



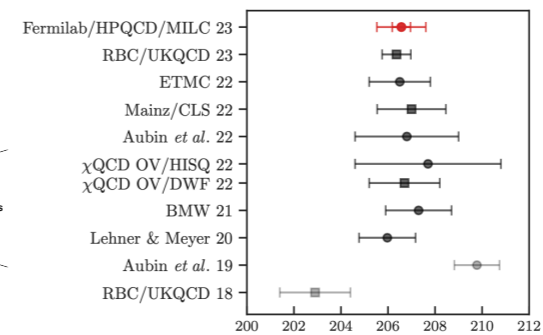
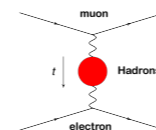
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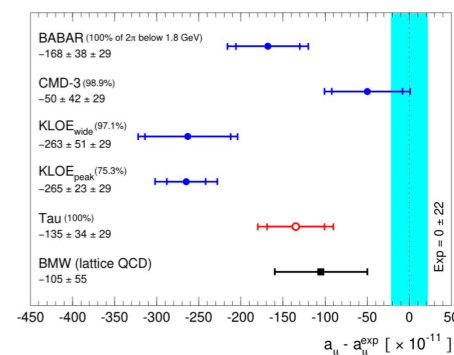
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[arXiv: 2312.02053](https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.02053)

# The magnetic moment of the muon:

$$a_\mu = \frac{g_\mu - 2}{2}$$

## EXPERIMENT:

$$a_\mu^{exp} = 11659208.0(6.3) \times 10^{-10} \text{ (0.54ppm)}$$

[BNL E821, 2006-2008]

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[Fermilab Muon g-2, 2018-2023]

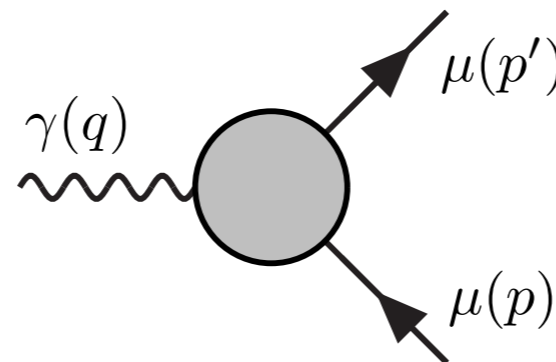
## THEORY:

$$a_\mu^{th} = 11659181.0(4.3) \times 10^{-10} \text{ (0.37ppm)}$$

[Muon g-2 Theory Initiative,

Phys.Rept. 887 (2020), 1-166]

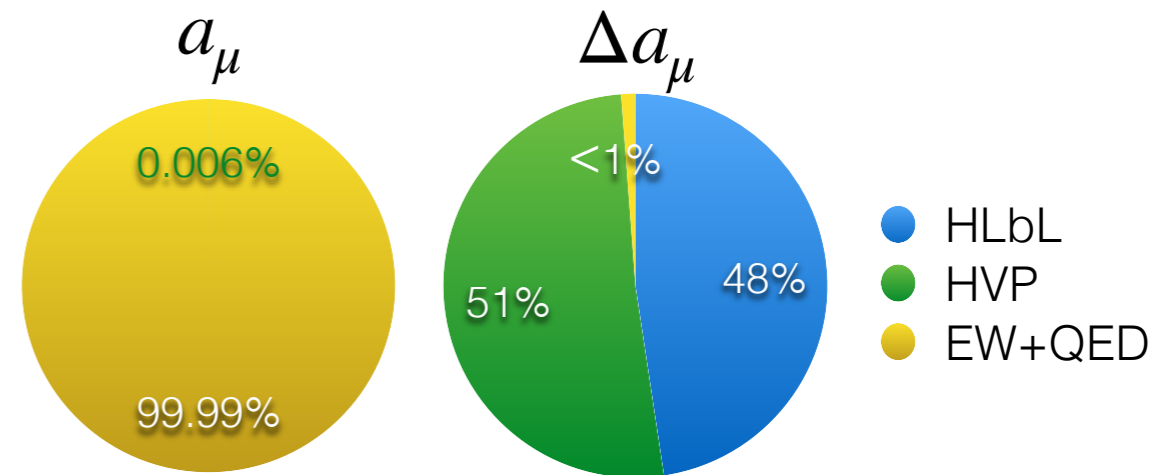
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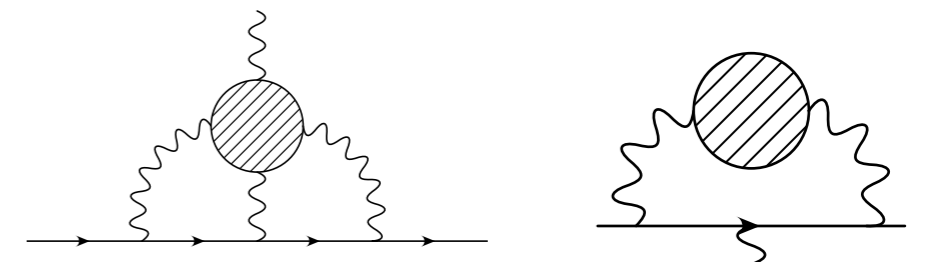
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Standard Model:

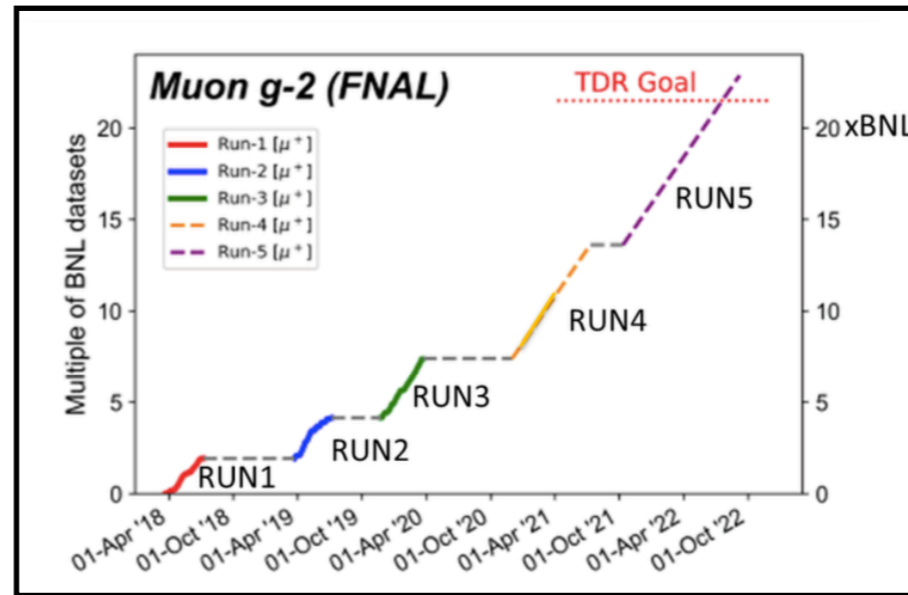
- (1) Q.E.D.
- (2) Electroweak
- (3) Hadronic



[WP20] T. Aoyama et al, arXiv:2006.04822, Phys. Repts. 887 (2020) 1-166  
 White Paper Muon g-2 Theory Initiative: <https://muon-gm2-theory.illinois.edu>



# $a_\mu$ from experiment: FNAL E989, J-PARC, ...



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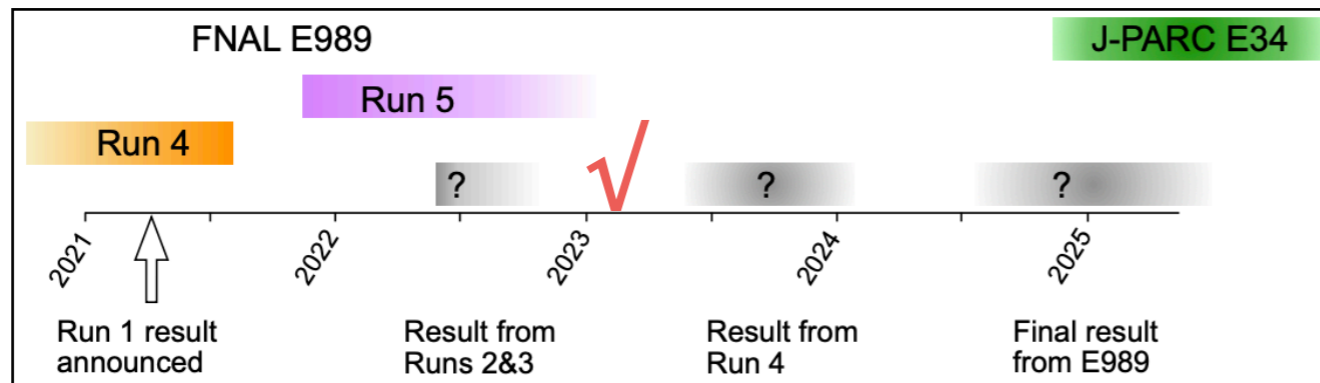
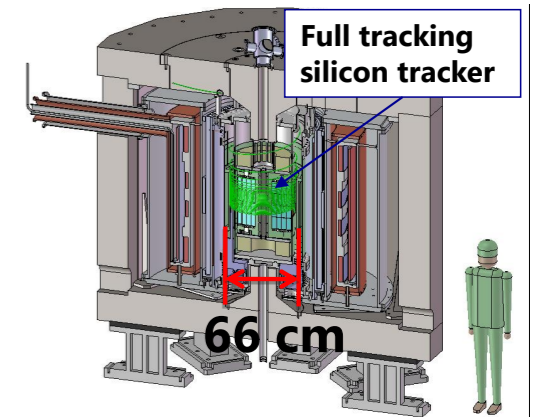


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D. B. Abi *et al.* (Muon g-2 Collaboration)  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 141801 – 7 April 2021

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J-PARC  
Muon g-2/EDM

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[see talk by Martin Hoferichter, Tue, 17:45]

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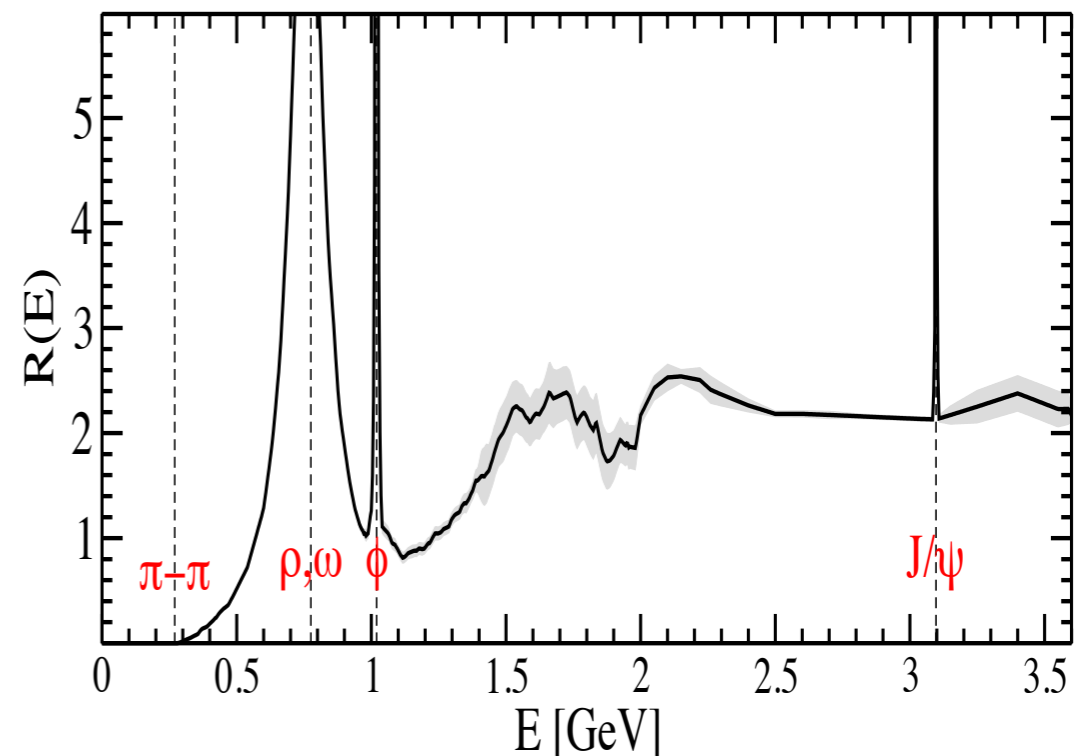
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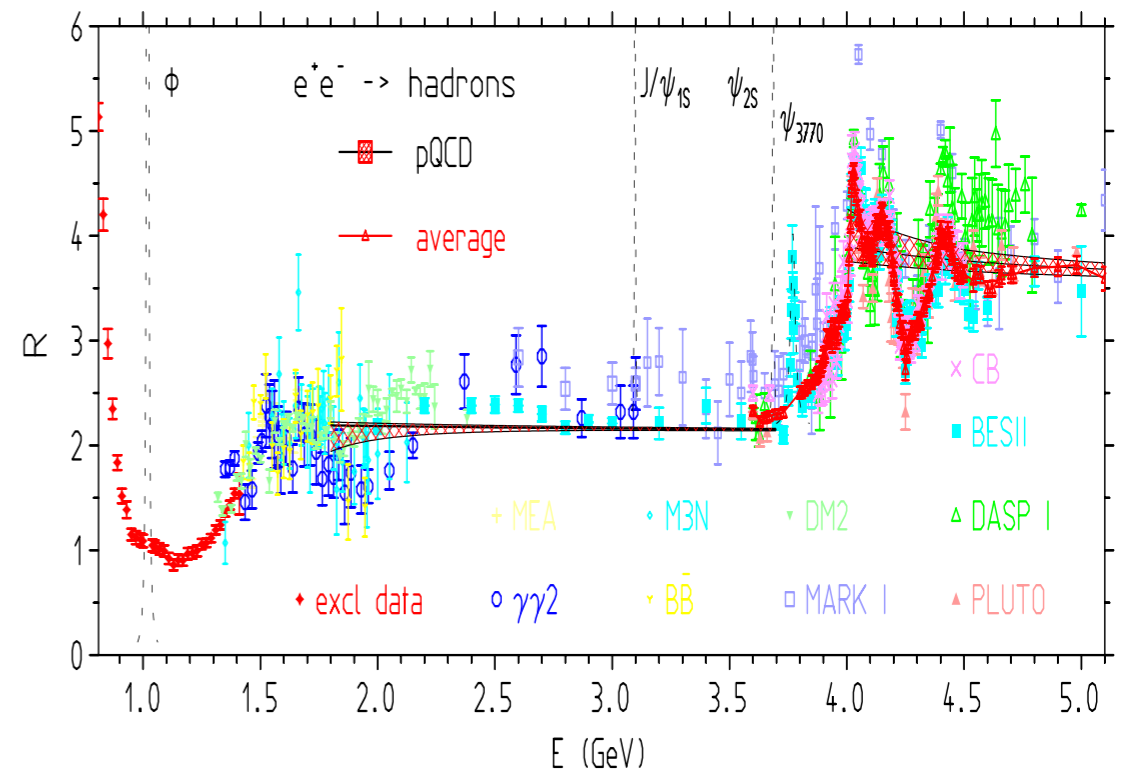
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- Other than:  $\rho, \omega, \phi, J/\psi$
- O(1000)** channels
- Model calculations had to be used for some channels
- [Keshavarzi, Nomura, Teubner, Phys.Rev. D97 (2018) no.11]

Lattice QCD (+QED) provide a way to compute these contributions in a model-independent way

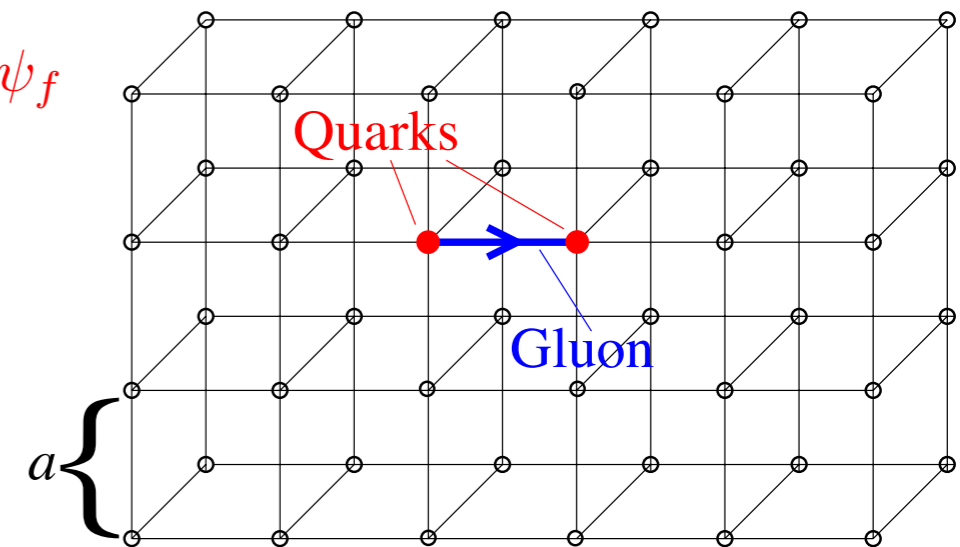


# Non-perturbative treatment of QCD

- Systematic method for computing hadronic observables from first principles
- “Sacrifice”  $N_f + 1$  observables to fix the parameters (e.g. hadron masses), and everything else is a prediction of the theory

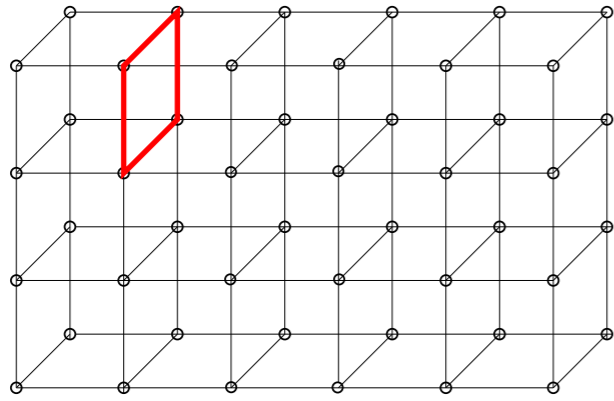
$$\mathcal{L}_{QCD}^E = \frac{1}{2g} F_{\mu\nu}^a F_{\mu\nu}^a + \sum_{f=u,d,s,\dots} \bar{\psi}_f \{ \gamma_\mu (\partial_\mu + iA_\mu^a T^a) + m_f \} \psi_f$$

$$S_{QCD}^E = \int d^4x \mathcal{L}_{QCD}^E$$

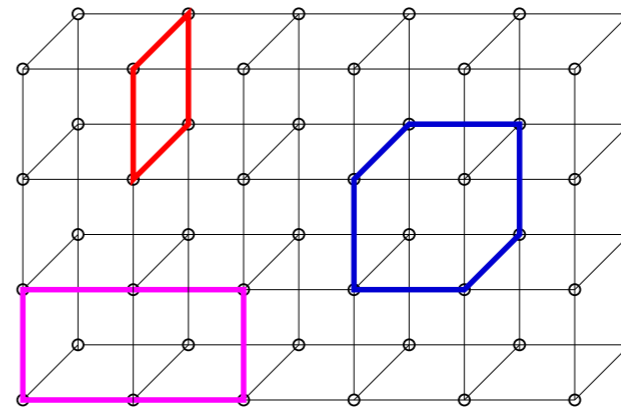


Independent calculations using different choice of the discretization for  $\mathbf{S}_G$  and  $\mathbf{S}_F$ . Results agree once continuum limit is taken!

# Lattice QCD: choice of fermion discretization



Wilson's (plaquette) Gauge Action



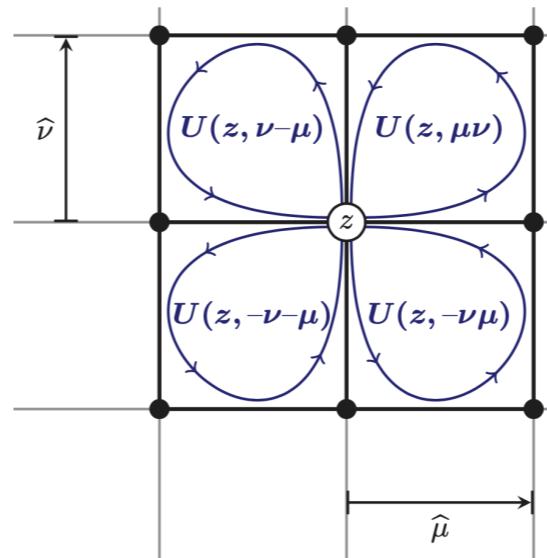
Luscher-Weisz Gauge Action

Iwasaki Gauge Action

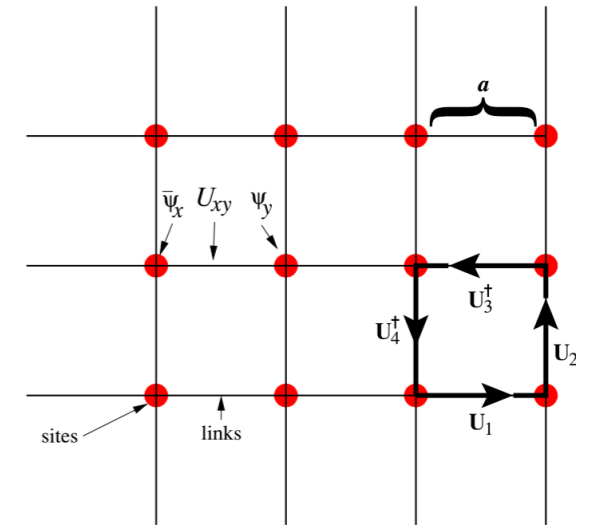
- Different lattice collaborations



- Different discretization prescription for fermionic action

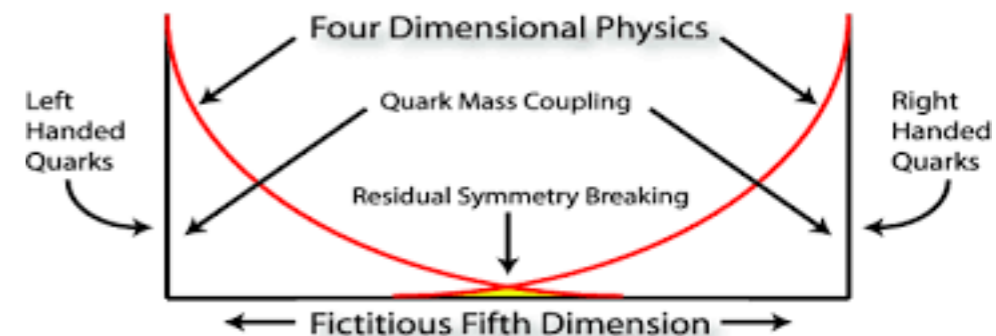


Improved Wilson Fermions



Staggered Fermions

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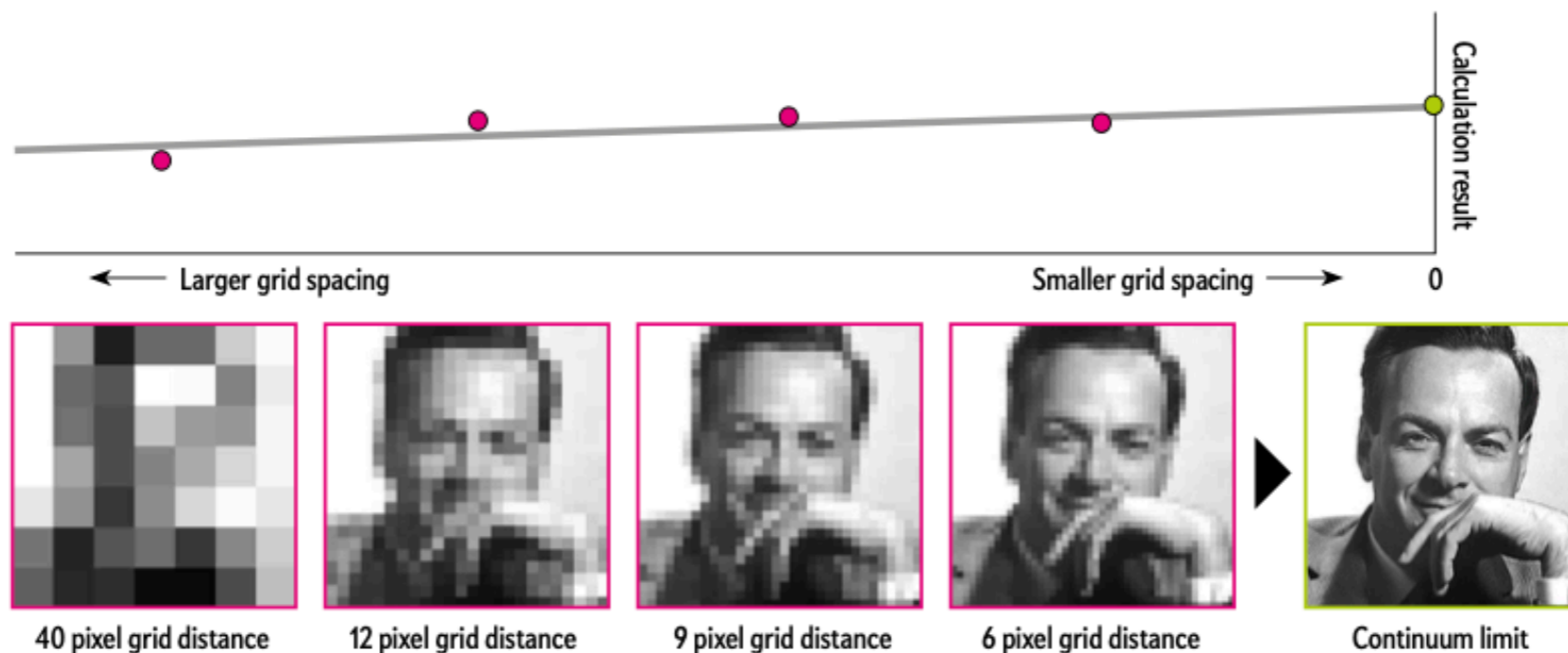


Doman Wall Fermions



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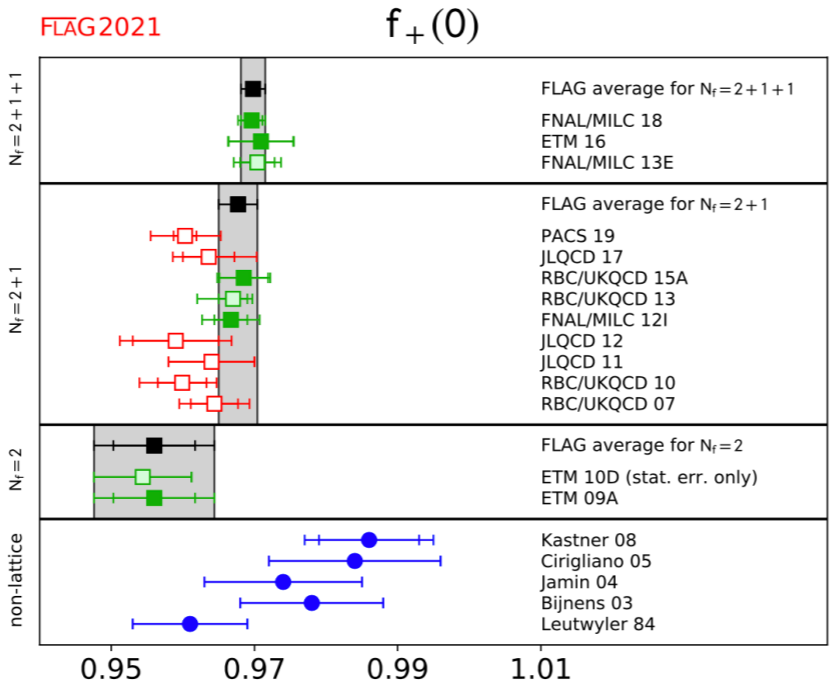
- Important source of systematics:
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First decades of Lattice QCD, typically:  $m_u = m_d$  and  $\alpha_{em} = 0$

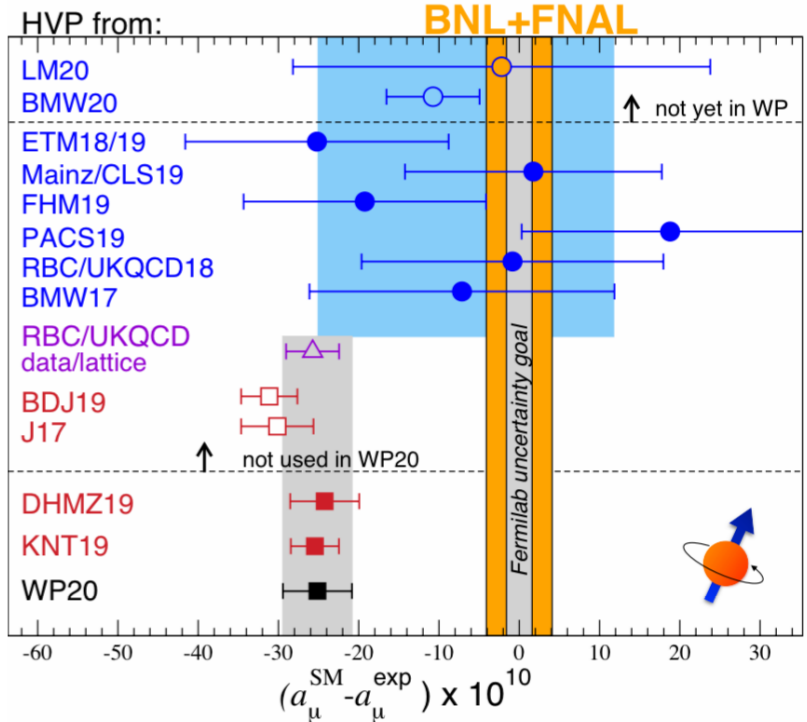
❖ Few percent effects:  $\frac{m_u - m_d}{M_p} \simeq 0.3\%$      $\alpha_{EM} = 0.7\%$      $\frac{M_n - M_p}{M_n} \simeq 0.1\%$

❖ Have to be taken into account for the goal precision:  $\frac{\Delta a_\mu^{HVP}}{a_\mu^{HVP}} \approx 0.002$

$$\frac{\Delta f_+(0)}{f_+(0)} \approx 0.002 - 0.003$$



[FLAG21 2203.15810 [hep-ph]]



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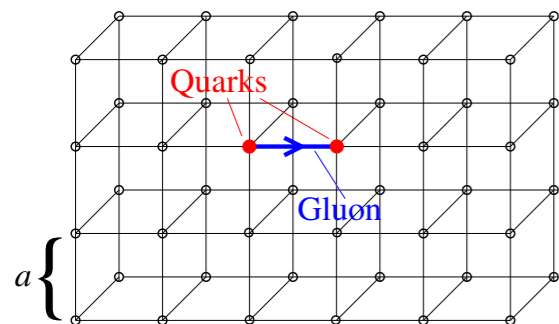
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[R123: 1303.4896, PRD87(2013)11]

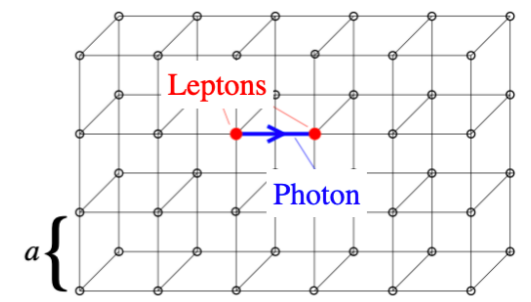
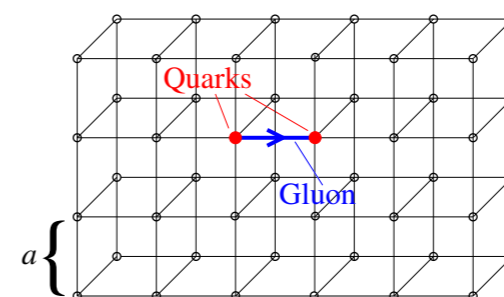


$$O(\alpha_{em}), O(m_u - m_d)$$

➔ simulate QED+QCD

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[Duncan,Eichten, hep-lat/9602005, PRL76(1996),  
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[BMW: 1406.4088 Science 347 (2015),  
QCDSF: 1509.00799, JHEP 04(2016) 093,  
RCstar: 2209.13183 JHEP03(2023)012, ...]



# Challenges for IB effects lattice computation

- **FV effects** ← the way the infrared divergence associated with the zero momentum mode of the photon propagator is canceled on the lattice:

→ continuum:  $\alpha_{em} \int \frac{d^4 k}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{1}{k^2} \dots$       → lattice:  $\frac{\alpha_{em}}{V} \sum_k \frac{1}{k^2} \dots$

- Gauss law does not allow a non-zero charge to exist in a finite periodic box:  $q(t) = \int d^3 x \rho(t, \mathbf{x}) \equiv 0$

- Three ways to deal with IR divergence:

→ **Modify gauge field**: removing the global zero-mode/ spatial zero mode per timeslice ( $QED_{TL}/QED_L$ )  
 [PRL76(1996), Prog. Theor. Phys. 120(2008)413, Science 347 (2015) 1406.4088, ...]

→ **Massive photon** [PRL 117 (2016) 7, PoS LATTICE2021 (2022) 281]

→  $QED_\infty$  [Phys. Rev. D 96 (2017), Phys. Rev. D 100 (2019) 094509]

→ **C\* boundary conditions** (no zero-mode present) [JHEP 1602, 076, EPJC 80 (2020) 3, JHEP03(2023)012]

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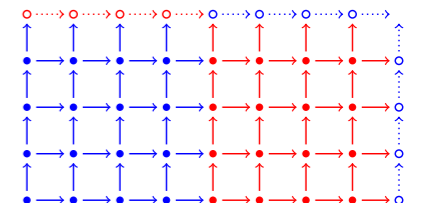
[BMW: Borsanyi et al. Nature 593 (2021)7857]

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RC\*CD

[openQ\*D: <https://gitlab.com/rcstar/openQxD>]

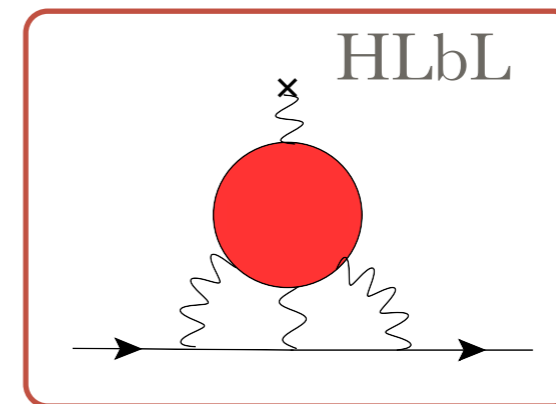
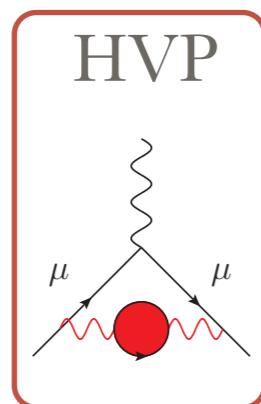


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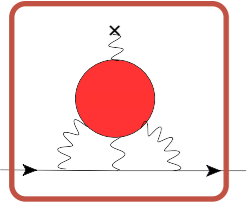
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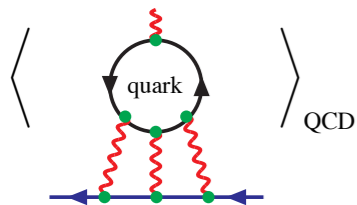
# Muon g-2 Light-By-Light Contribution



- Target relative precision:  $\leq 10\%$
- ➔ Calculations not as mature as the lattice HVP determinations

Two completely independent methods/calculations

❖ RBC/UKQCD ( $QCD + QED_L$ ):



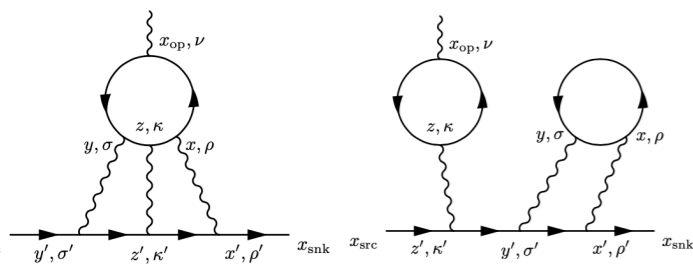
[Blum, Izubuchi, Hayakawa, PoS (LAT2005)353 hep-lat/0509016, +Chowdhury, 1407.2923 PRL114(2015)1]

❖ Mainz group ( $QCD + QED_{\infty/\text{cont.}}$ ):

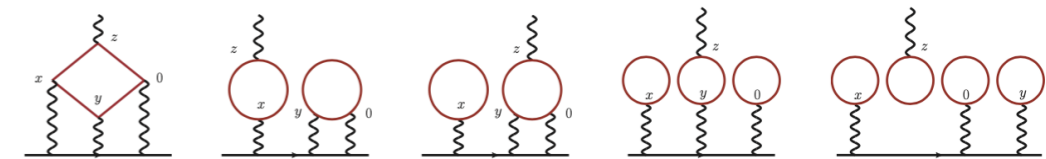
$$a_{\mu}^{HLbL} \propto \int f'(q^2) e^{iqx} \langle J_{\mu}(x_1) J_{\nu}(x_2) J_{\rho}(x_3) J_{\sigma}(x_4) \rangle$$

[P. Rakow (QCDSF), Glasgow 2007]

[Colangelo, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer, 1402.7081 JHEP09(2014)091, 1506.01386 JHEP09(2015)074]

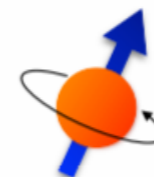


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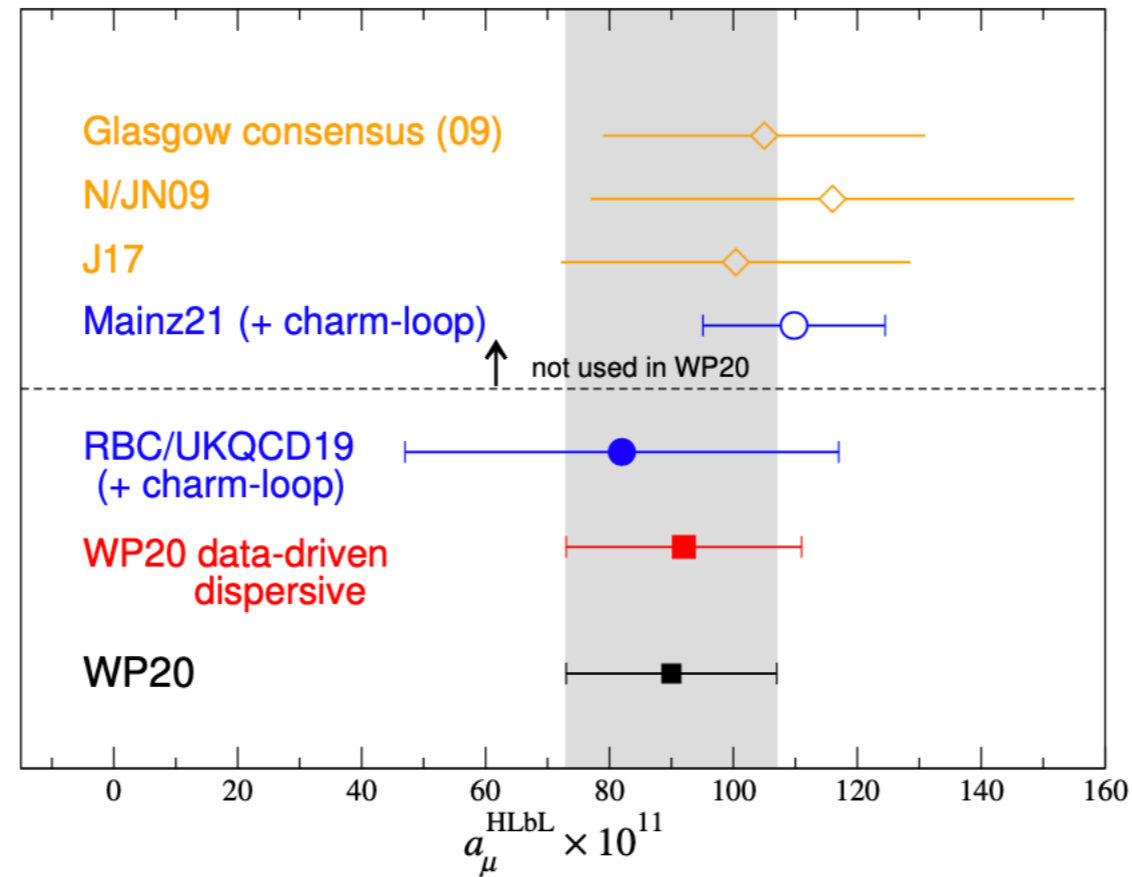
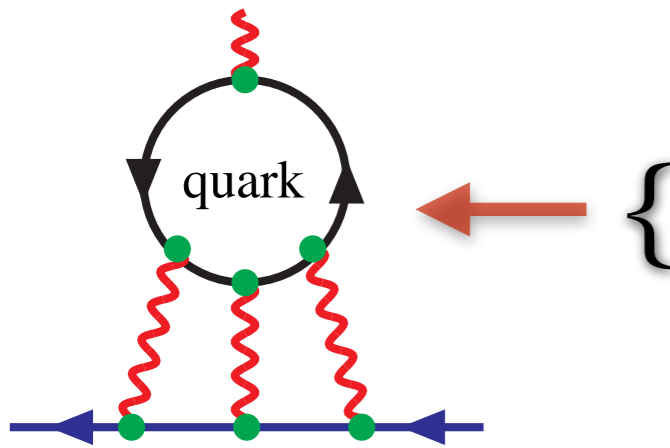
➔ Crosschecks between the two approaches in WP20



<https://muon-gm2-theory.illinois.edu/white-paper/>

[Phys.Rept.887, arXiv:2006.04822]

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[A. El-Khadra, LATTICE 2021]

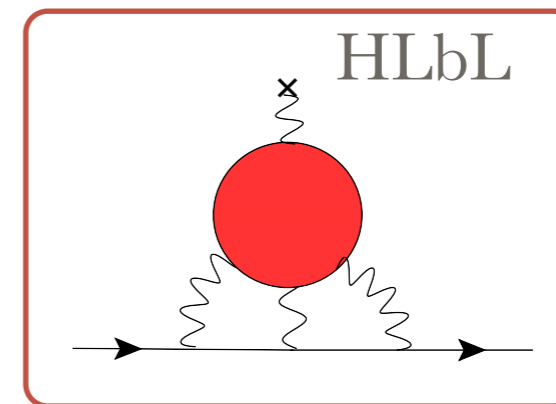
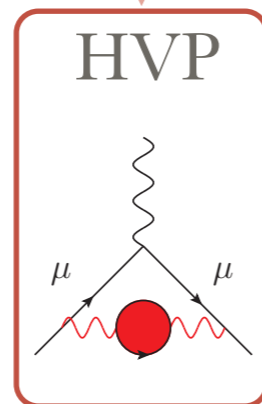
➔ Pseudoscalar pole contributions to the muon g-2:

[Mainz: Gerardin et. al 1607.08174 PRD94 (2016), Gerardin et. al 1903.09471 PRD100(2019), BMW: Verplanke et. al, PoS LATTICE2022 (332), ETMC: Alexandrou et al., 2212.06704, 2212.10300 PoS LATTICE2022(306), 2112.03586 PoS LATTICE2021(519)]

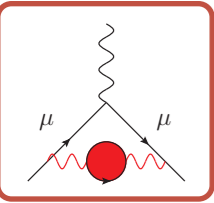


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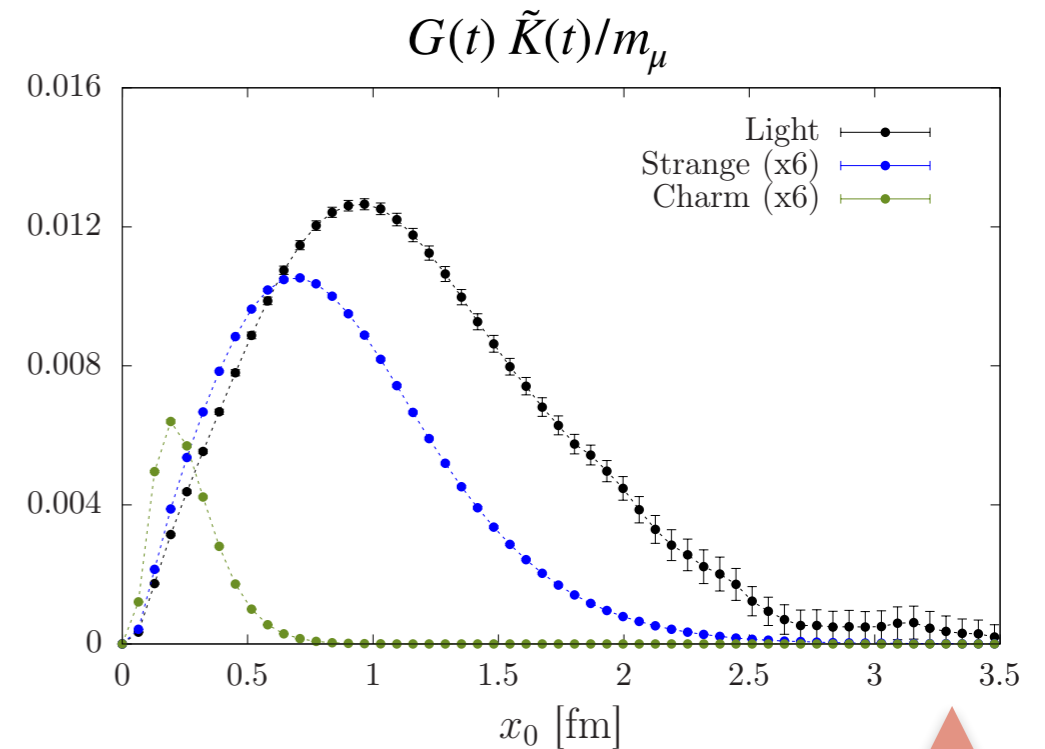
# Lattice HVP: dominant sources of errors



[Bernecker & Meyer, 1107.4388 EPJA47 (2011) 148]

- Understanding the systematics is extremely important:

- deterioration of signal at large distances
- disconnected diagrams
- discretization effects
- continuum extrapolation ...



Mainz/CLS [H. Wittig@Lat18]

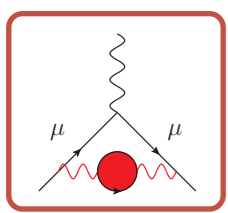
Time-momentum representation: current-current correlator, summed over all distances:

$$G^f(t) = -\frac{1}{3} \sum_k \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \langle j_k^f(\mathbf{x}, t) j_k^f(\mathbf{0}, 0) \rangle; \quad f = u, d, s, c$$

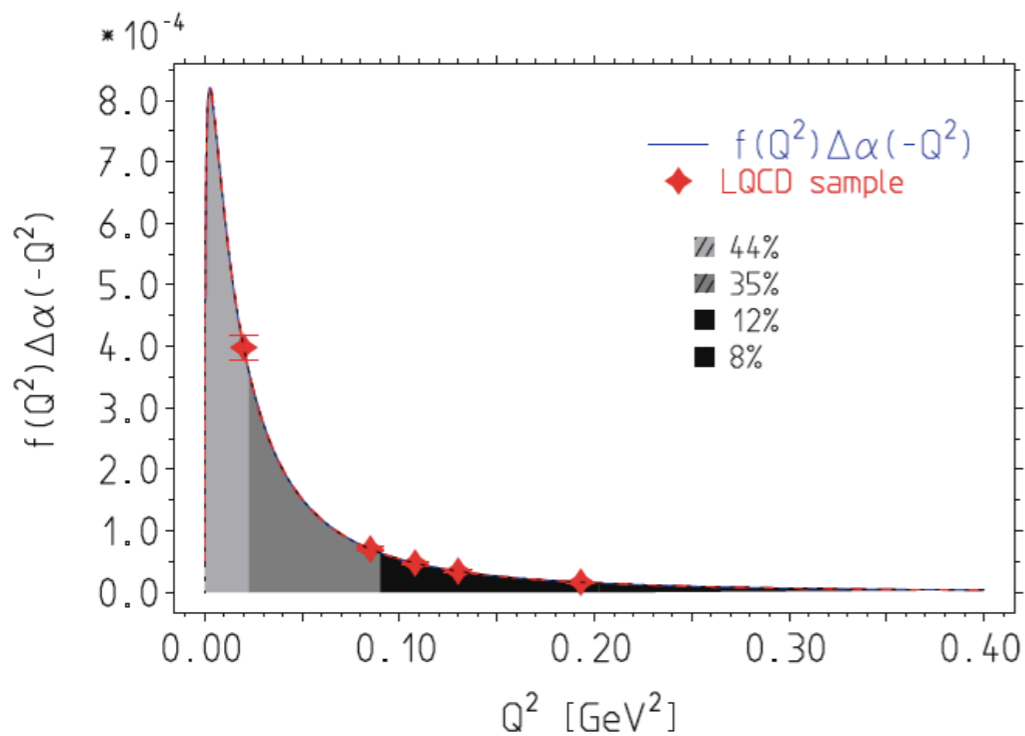
And only then integrated in time:

$$a_\mu^{HVP} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dt G(t) \tilde{K}(t, m_\mu)$$

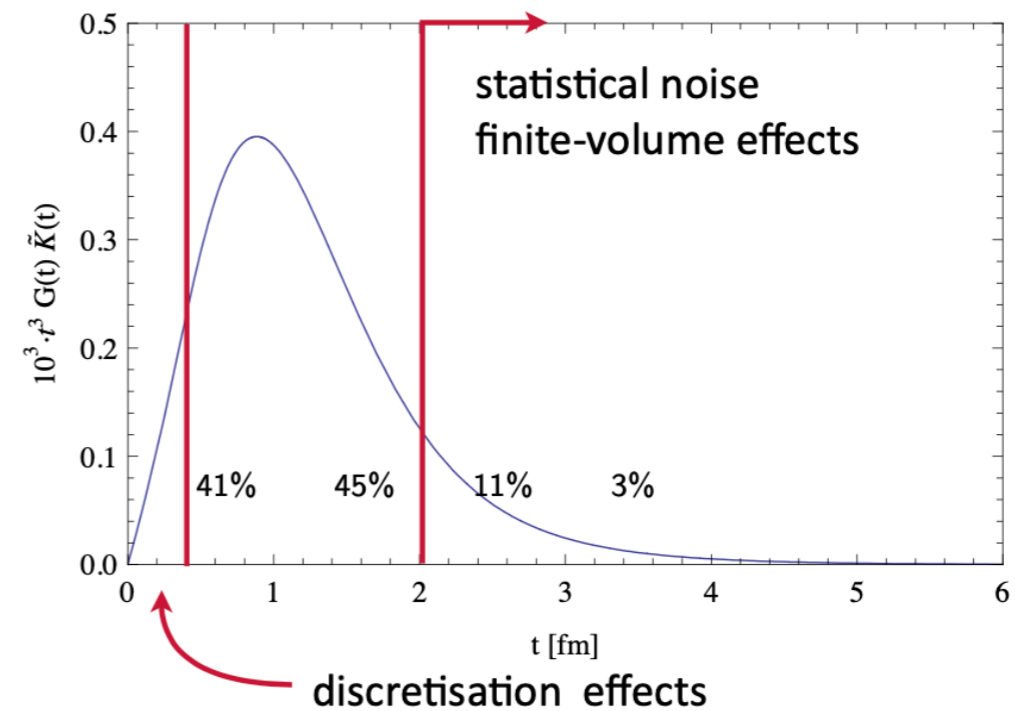
# Lattice HVP: dominant sources of errors



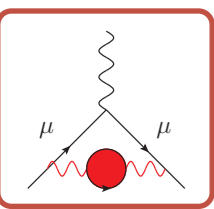
- Understanding the systematics is extremely important:
  - deterioration of signal at large distances ( $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$ )
  - disconnected diagrams
  - discretization effects
  - continuum extrapolation ...
  - isospin breaking effects
  - scale setting error
  - finite volume effects
  - charm quark



[F. Jegerlehner, 2017]



[H.Wittig, SchwingerFest22]



# HVP Euclidean Window Quantities

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

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{SD}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^{\infty} dx_0 C(x_0) \tilde{f}(x_0) [1 - \Theta(x_0, t_0, \Delta)],$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{W}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^{\infty} dx_0 C(x_0) \tilde{f}(x_0) [\Theta(x_0, t_0, \Delta) - \Theta(x_0, t_1, \Delta)],$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{LD}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^{\infty} dx_0 C(x_0) \tilde{f}(x_0) \Theta(x_0, t_1, \Delta),$$

[RBC/UKQCD: Blum et al. 1801.07224 PRL 121(2018)022003]

[BMW: Borsanyi et al. 2002.12347 Nature 593 (2021)7857]

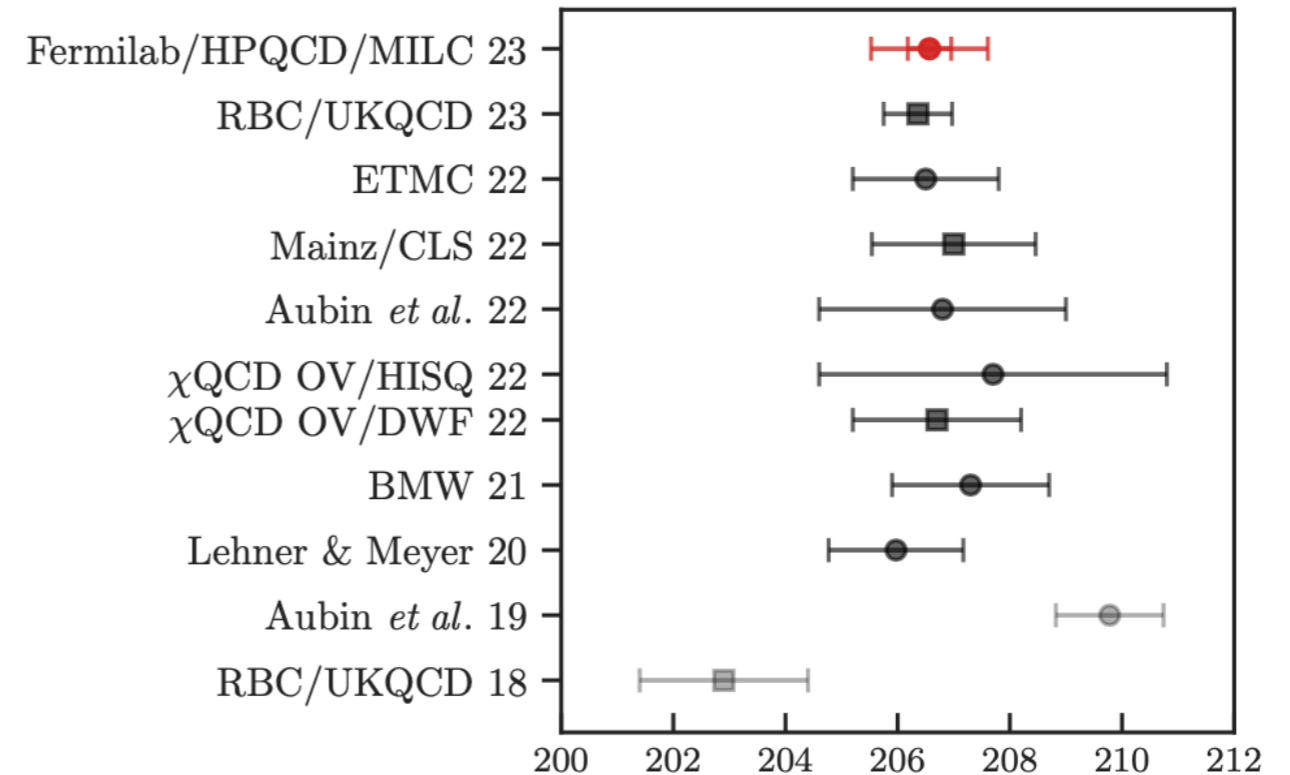
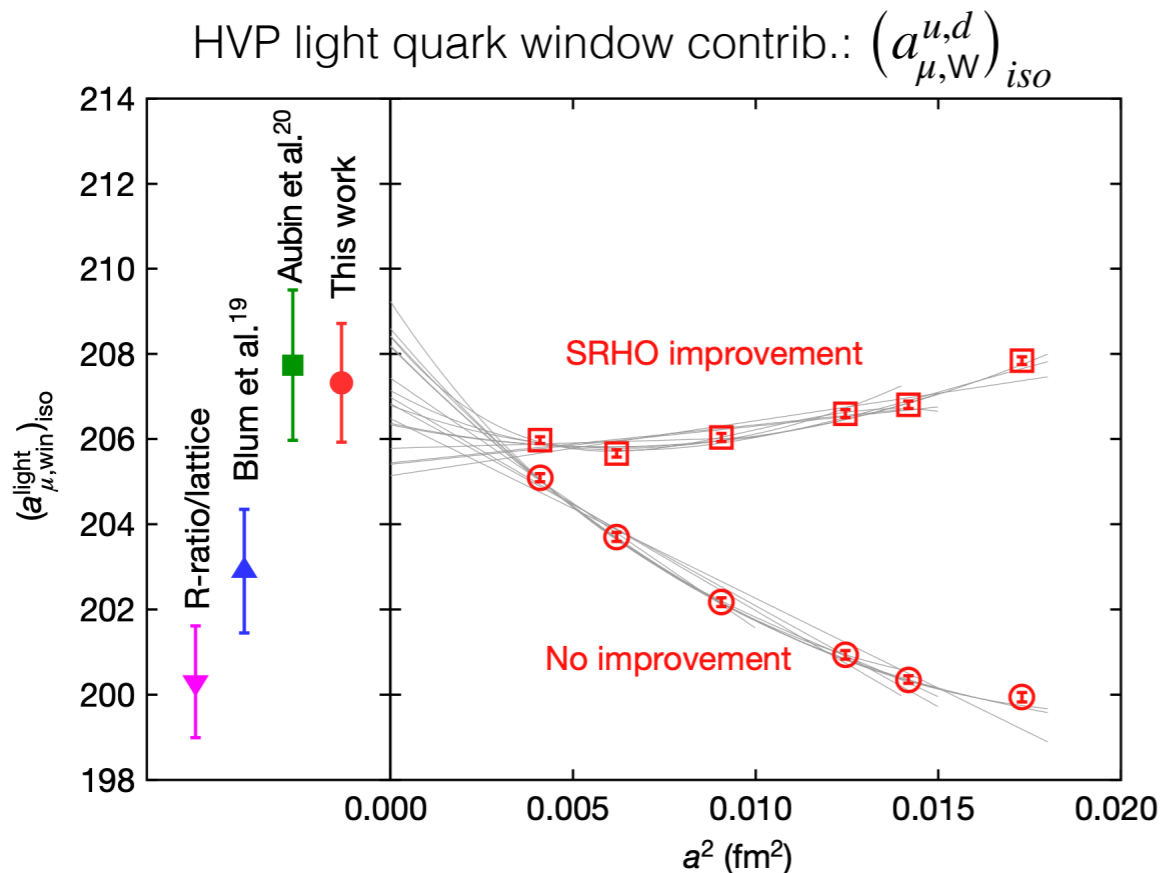
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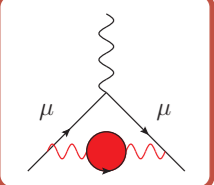
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[0.4fm – 1.0fm]  $\approx$  30 % of  $a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP}}$

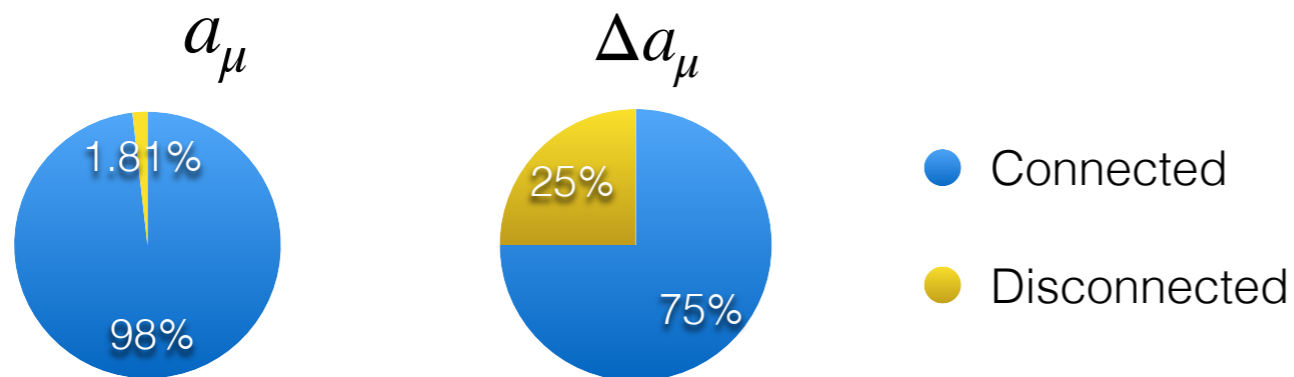
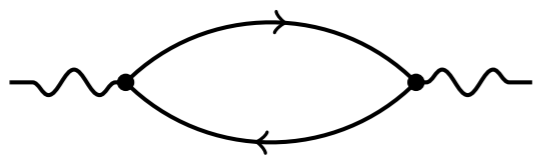
◆ Easy to compare with dispersive methods:  
[Colangelo et al. 2205.12963 Phys.Lett.B 833 (2022)]





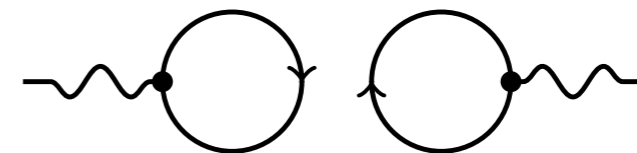
# Lattice computation of $a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}$

◆ Quark-connected contribution:



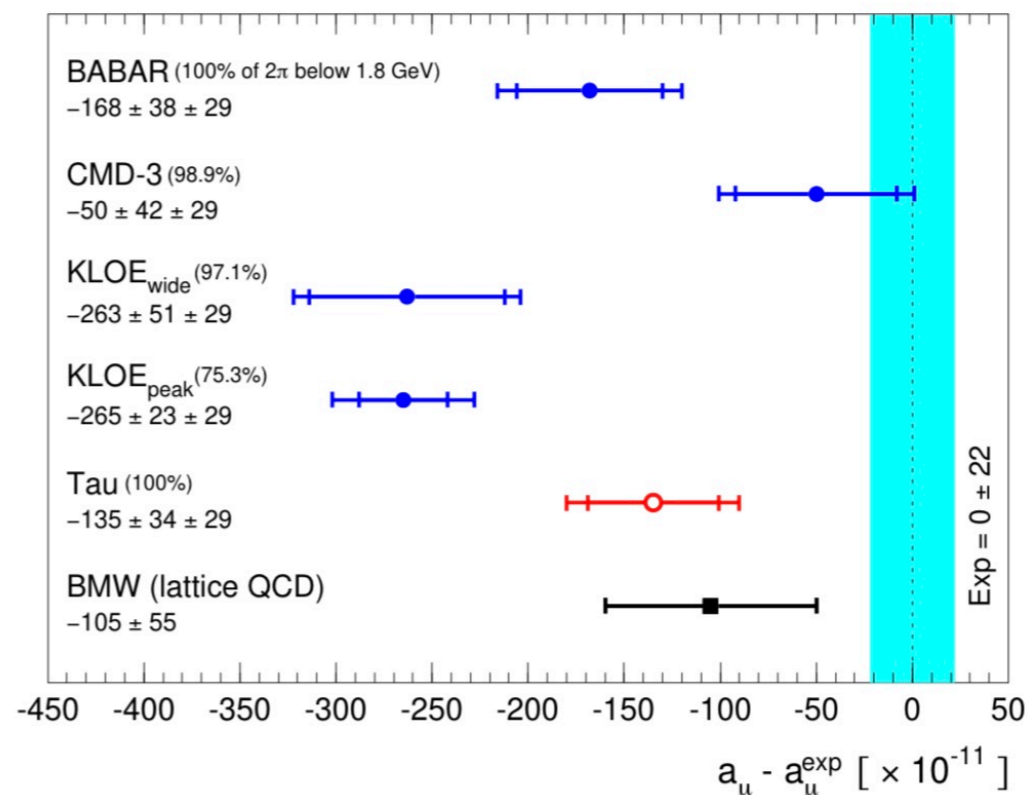
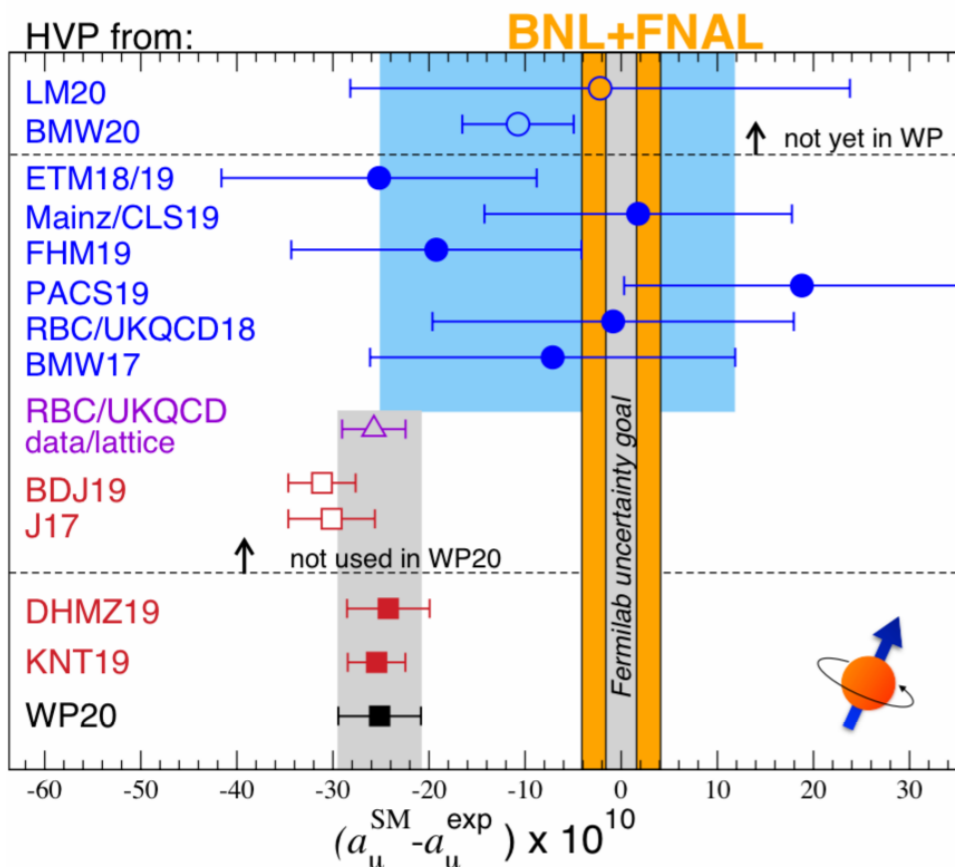
$$a_\mu^{\text{W2}} \equiv a_\mu^{\text{win}(1.5, 1.9, 0.15)}$$

◆ Quark-disconnected contribution:



[RBC/UKQCD: PRL116(2016)232002, ...  
 BMW: Borsanyi et al. Nature593 (2021)7857, arxiv:2002.12347]

Difference of dispersive HVP ( $\pi^+\pi^-$ ; 1.8GeV) and Muon g-2 exp.:  $(a_\mu^{\text{th}} - a_\mu^{\text{exp}}) \times 10^{-11}$

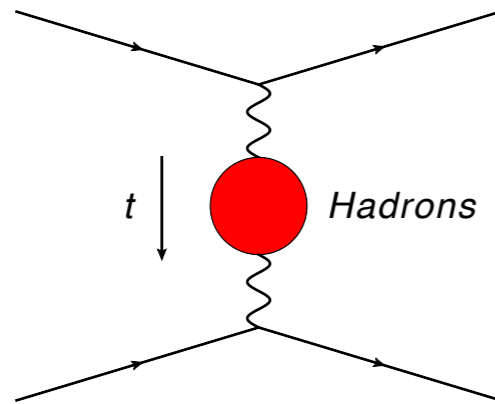


# Prospects for the HVP independent measurement

[MUonE Collaboration <https://web.infn.it/MUonE/>]

[For more details, see LOI]

<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2677471>



- ➔ In space-like (Euclidean) momenta region
- ➔ Obtain  $a_\mu^{had,LO}$  by utilising the running of  $\alpha_{QED}$  in a space-like process

$$a_\mu^{had,LO} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \Delta\alpha_{had}[Q^2(x)]$$

[Lautrup, de Rafael '69, de Rafael, PLB(1994), Blum PRL(2002)]

- ➔ Proposal to measure precisely the  $Q^2$  - dependent fine-structure constant:

$$\alpha(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha(0)}{1 - \Delta\alpha(Q^2)}$$

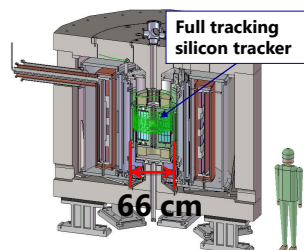
[Phys.Lett. B746 (2015) 325-329 by Carloni, Passera, Trentadue, Venanzoni] @e+e- detector

[Eur.Phys.J. C77 (2017) no.3, 139 by Abbiendi et al.] @CERN



FNAL E989: Muon g-2

J-PARC E34: Muon g-2/EDM




■ Physics
■ Long Shutdown (LS)
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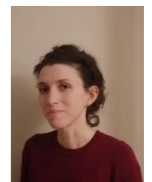
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# Summary & Outlook

- Exciting time for lattice QCD computations: mature and innovative!
- **Muon anomalous magnetic moment (muon g-2)**: good quantity for constraining new physics
  - **QED** and **EW** contributions known precisely: **hadronic contributions** dominating uncertainties
  - **Lattice QCD(+QED)** gives an independent theory prediction of **HVP and HLbL**
- **Lattice QCD** not sufficient for sub-percent precision — inclusion of **QED and isospin effects** needed
- **HLbL**: either QCD+QED, or 4-pt function on the lattice (involved but feasible)
- **HVP**: mature, QCD+QED for sub-percent precision, agreement on window observable, full HVP in progress
- **MUonE** experiment: provide an **independent input for HVP** and intermediate milestones
- Experimental input for data driven HVP under scrutiny [BABAR, KLOE, CMD]
- Muon g-2 Theory Initiative as a framework for exchange between **lattice/data-driven/experimental** results
- Update of the White Paper by the Muon g-2 Theory initiative in preparation, <https://muon-gm2-theory.illinois.edu>

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