
Lattice calculation of the hadronic leading order contribution to the muon $g - 2$

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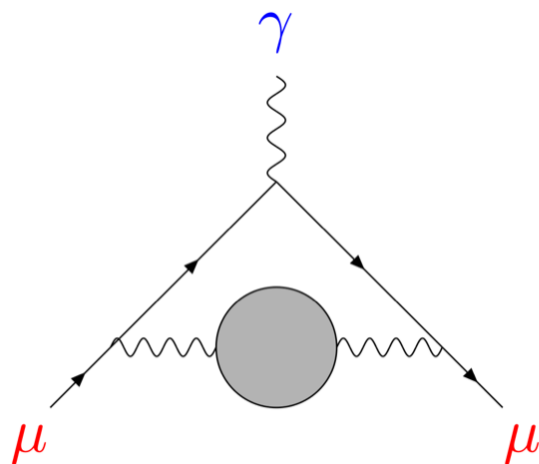
The muon anomalous magnetic moment

$$a_\mu \equiv \frac{1}{2}(g - 2)_\mu = \begin{cases} 116\,592\,080(54)(33) \cdot 10^{-11} & \text{E821 @ BNL} \\ 116\,591\,825(34)(26)(1) \cdot 10^{-11} & \text{SM prediction} \end{cases}$$

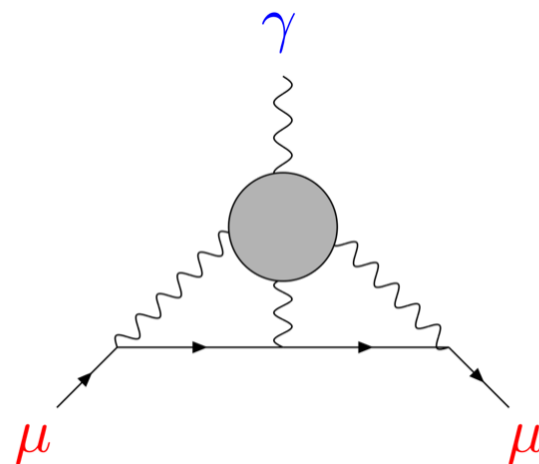
* SM estimate dominated by QED; error dominated by QCD

$$a_\mu = a_\mu^{\text{QED}} + a_\mu^{\text{weak}} + a_\mu^{\text{strong}} + a_\mu^{\text{NP?}}$$

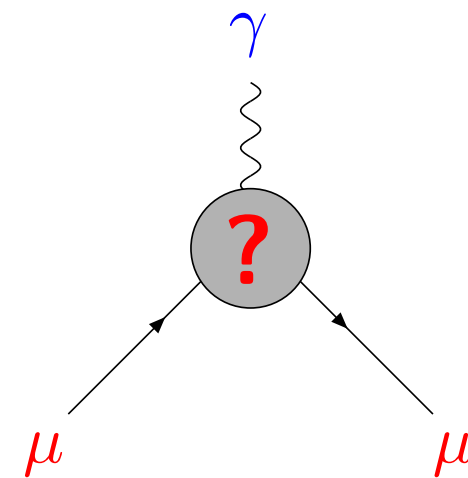
Hadronic vacuum polarisation:



Hadronic light-by-light scattering:



Contribution from "New Physics"?



Theory confronts experiment

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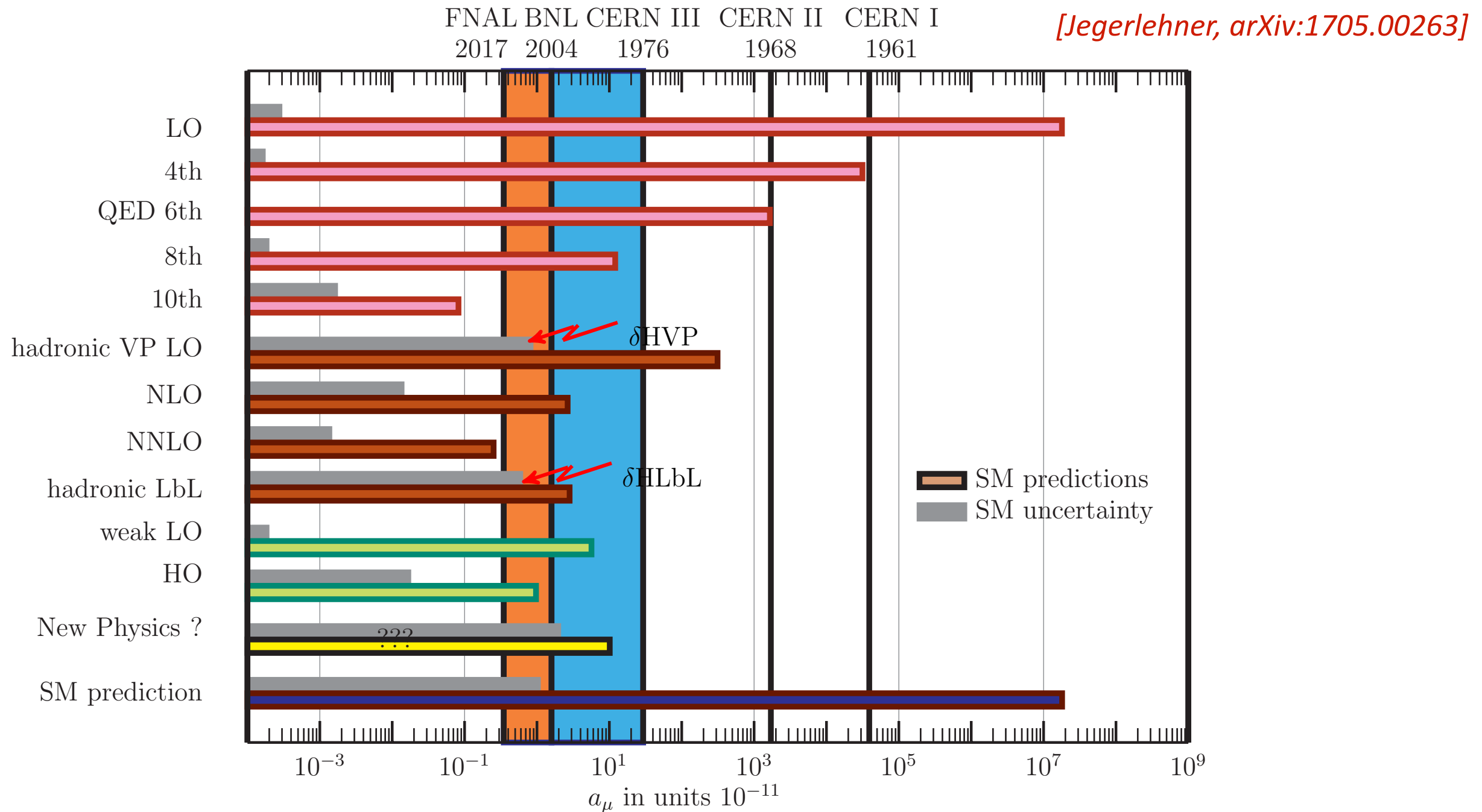
[Jegerlehner, arXiv:1705.00263]

LO
 4th
 QED 6th
 8th
 10th
 hadronic VP LO
 NLO
 NNLO
 hadronic LbL
 weak LO
 HO
 New Physics ?
 SM prediction



10^{-3} 10^{-1} 10^1 10^3 10^5 10^7 10^9
 a_μ in units 10^{-11}

Theory confronts experiment



* Experimental sensitivity of E989 exceeds total theory uncertainty by far!

The muon $g - 2$ in lattice QCD

Motivation for first-principles approach:

- * No reliance on experimental data
 - except for simple hadronic quantities to fix bare parameters
- * No model dependence
 - except for chiral extrapolation and constraining the IR regime
- * Can lattice QCD deliver estimates with **sufficient accuracy** in the coming years?

$$\delta a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp}} / a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp}} < 0.5\%, \quad \delta a_{\mu}^{\text{hlbl}} / a_{\mu}^{\text{hlbl}} \lesssim 10\%$$

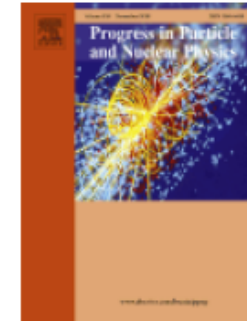
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Review

Lattice QCD and the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon

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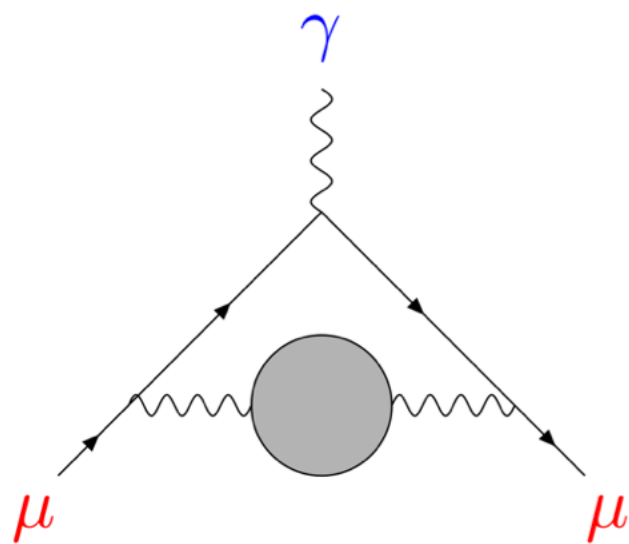
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The Mainz $(g - 2)_\mu$ Lattice QCD project

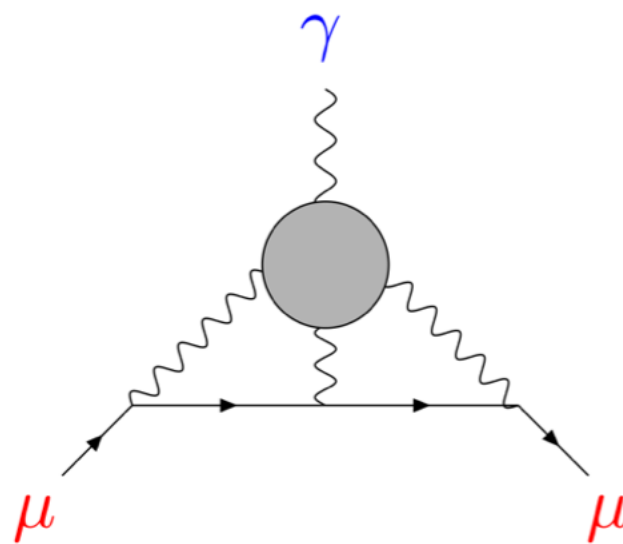
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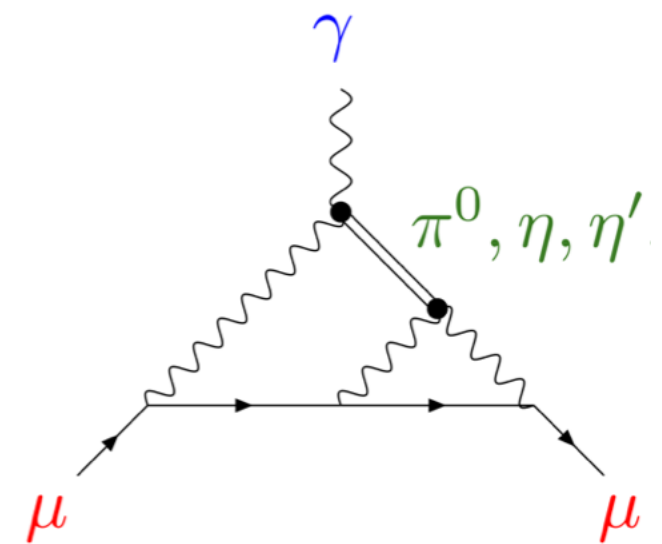
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- Direct determinations of LO a_μ^{hvp}
- Running of α and $\sin^2\theta_W$



- Exact QED kernel
- Forward scattering amplitude



- Transition form factor for $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma^*$

Lattice QCD approach to HVP

- * Vacuum polarisation tensor:

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q) = i \int d^4x e^{iQ \cdot (x-y)} \langle J_\mu(x) J_\nu(y) \rangle \equiv (Q_\mu Q_\nu - \delta_{\mu\nu} Q^2) \Pi(Q^2)$$

- * Electromagnetic current:

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

- * Convolution integral over Euclidean momenta: *[Lautrup & de Rafael; Blum]*

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dQ^2 f(Q^2) \hat{\Pi}(Q^2), \quad \hat{\Pi}(Q^2) = 4\pi^2 (\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0))$$

- * Weight function $f(Q^2)$ strongly peaked near muon mass

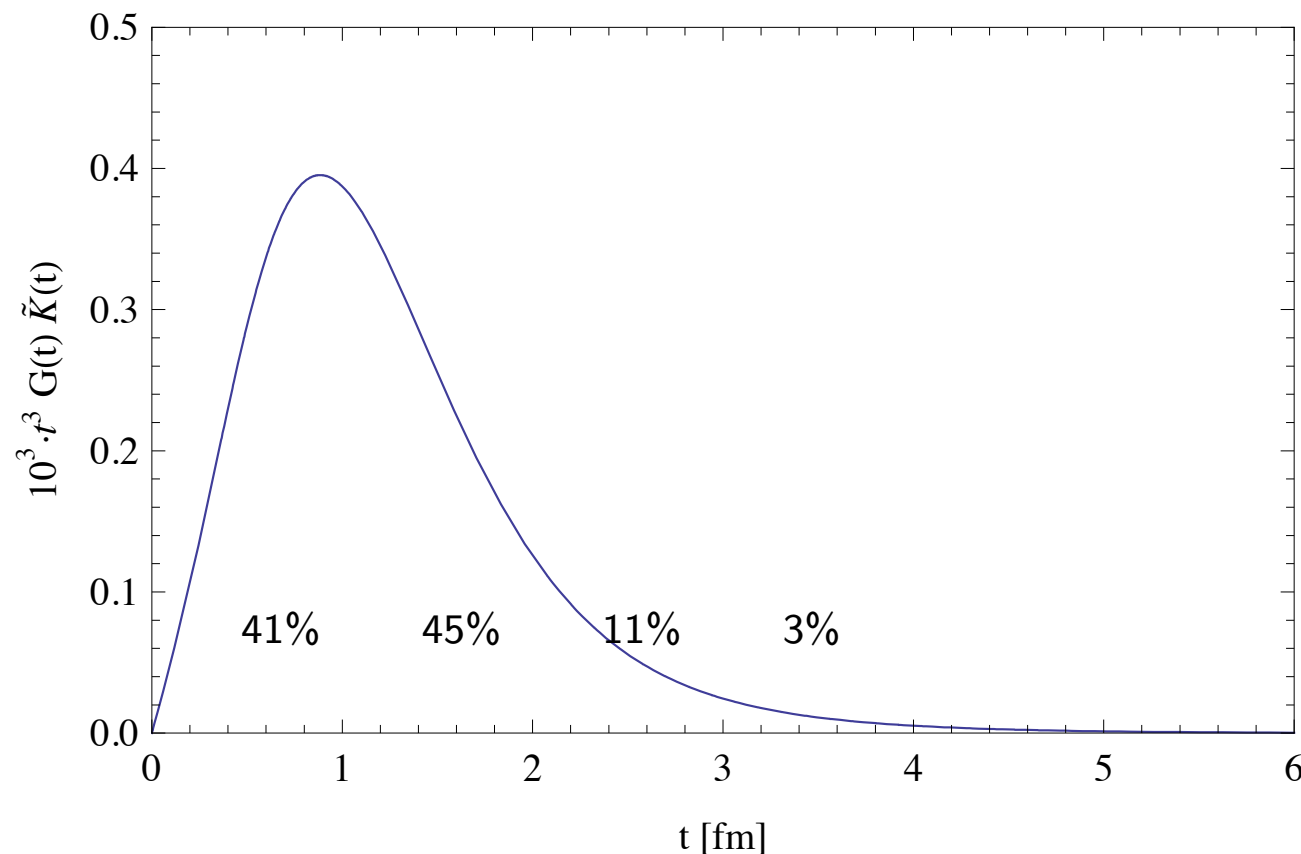
Lattice QCD approach to HVP

* Time-momentum representation (TMR):

[Bernecker & Meyer, EPJC (2011)]

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dx_0 \tilde{K}(x_0) G(x_0), \quad G(x_0) = -a^3 \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle J_k(x) J_k(0) \rangle$$

$$\tilde{K}(x_0) = 4\pi^2 \int_0^\infty dQ^2 f(Q^2) \left[x_0^2 - \frac{4}{Q^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} Q x_0\right) \right]$$



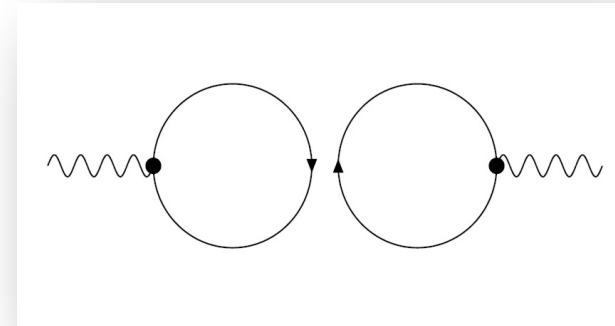
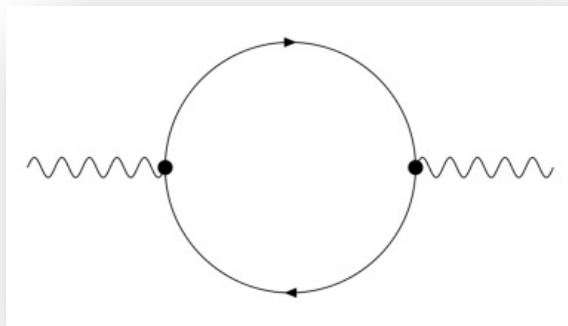
- Significant contribution from tail of $G(x_0)$
- Exponentially increasing noise-to-signal ratio:

$$R_{\text{NS}} \propto \exp\{(m_V - m_\pi)x_0\}$$

Lattice QCD approach to HVP

Challenges:

- * Statistical accuracy at the sub-percent level required
- * Control infrared regime of vector correlator: $G(x_0)$ at large x_0
- * Perform comprehensive study of finite-volume effects
- * Include **quark-disconnected** diagrams



- * Include isospin breaking: $m_u \neq m_d$, QED corrections

Features of our calculation

Gérardin et al., Phys. Rev. D100 (2019) 034513, arXiv:1904.03120

* $N_f = 2 + 1$ flavours of $O(a)$ improved Wilson quarks

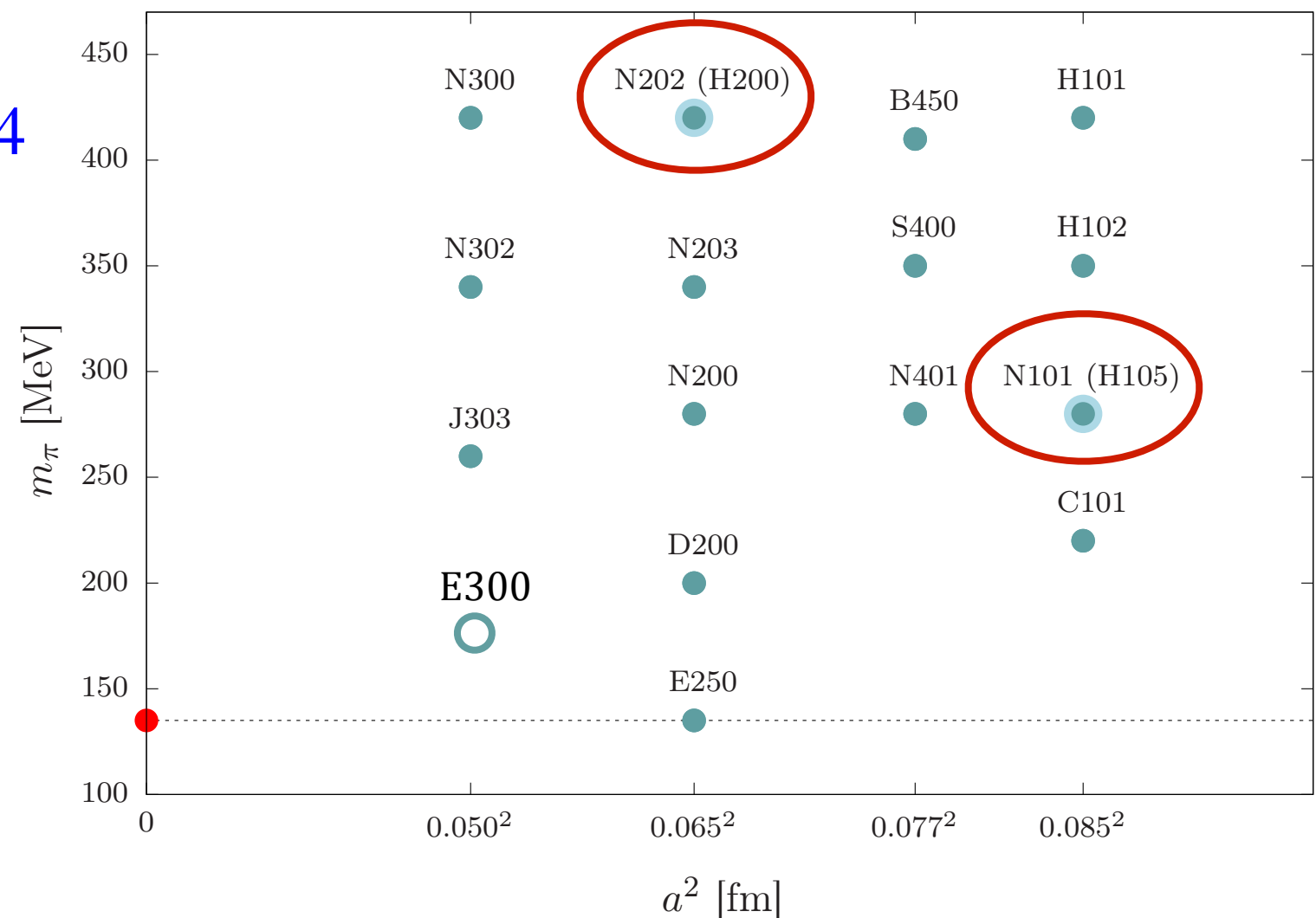
* Four values of the lattice spacing: $a = 0.085, 0.077, 0.065, 0.050$ fm

* Pion masses and volumes:

$$m_\pi^{\min} \approx 135 \text{ MeV}, \quad m_\pi L > 4$$

* Check finite-volume effects

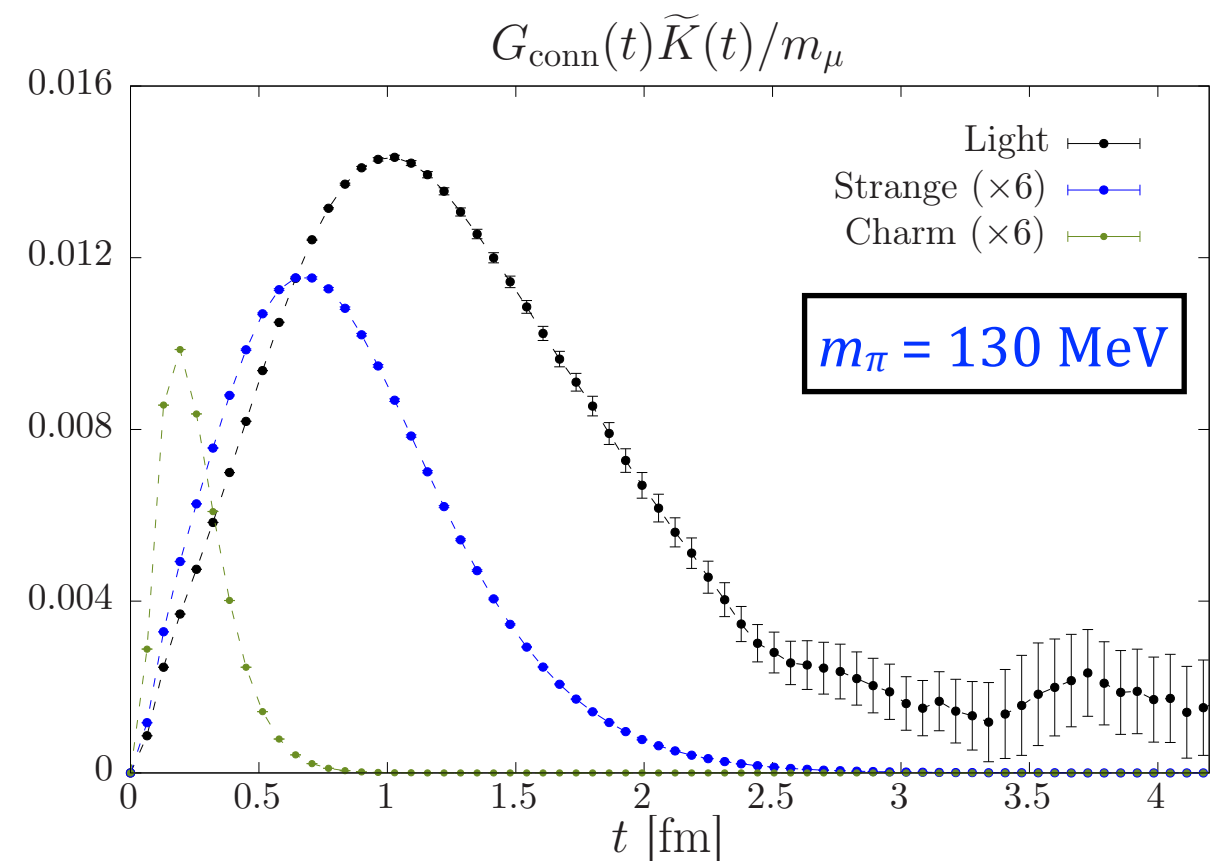
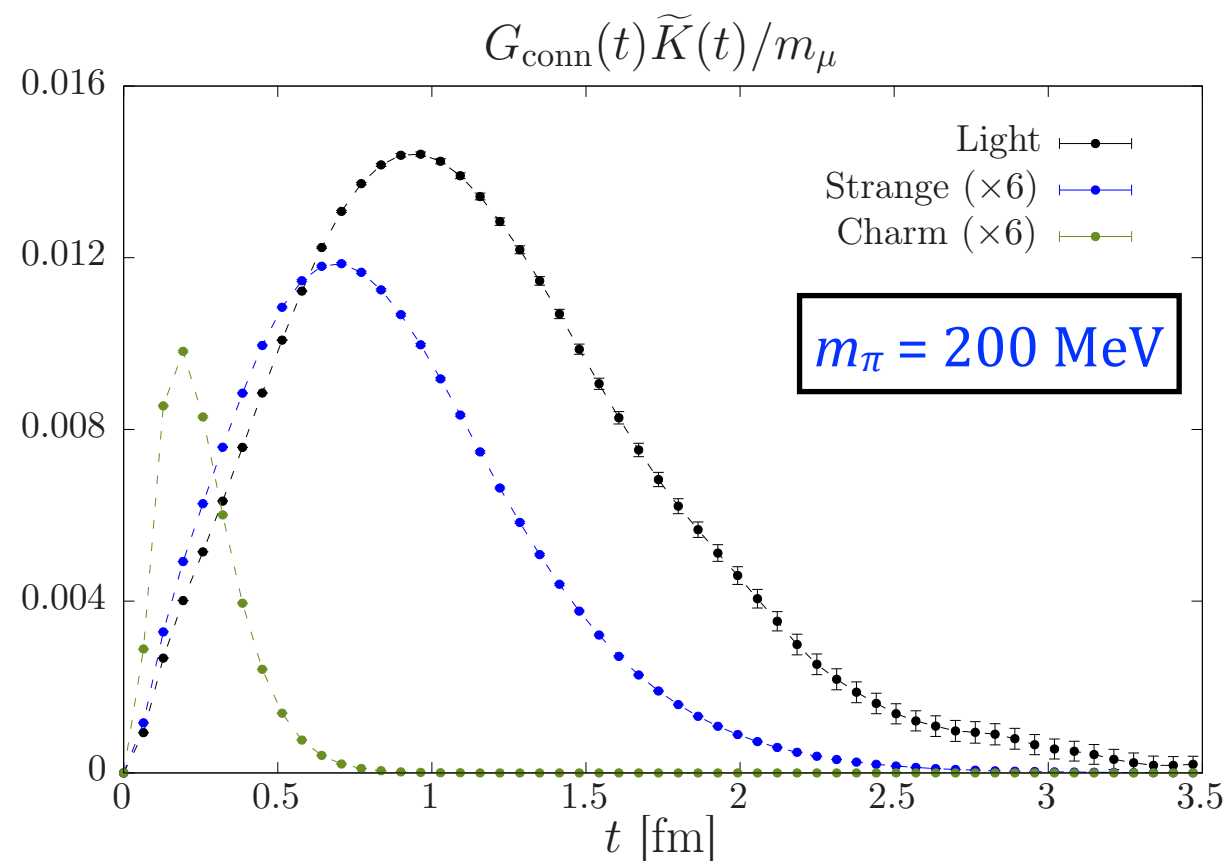
* Additional ensembles:
lighter pion masses at
smaller lattice spacings



Controlling the infrared regime

- * TMR integrand and its long-distance behaviour:

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dx_0 \tilde{K}(x_0) G(x_0), \quad G(x_0) = -a^3 \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle J_k(x) J_k(0) \rangle$$



- * Large- x_0 regime still statistics-limited for $x_0 \gtrsim 2.5 \text{ fm}$

[Gérardin et al., arXiv:1904.03120]

Controlling the infrared regime

- * Long-distance regime of $G(x_0)$ dominated by the iso-vector channel:

$$G(x_0) = G^{\rho\rho}(x_0) + G^{I=0}(x_0)$$

- * Three methods to constrain long-distance regime:

1. Dedicated calculation of the iso-vector correlator:

$$G^{\rho\rho}(x_0, L) \stackrel{x_0 \rightarrow \infty}{\simeq} \sum_n |A_n|^2 e^{-\omega_n x_0}, \quad \omega_n = 2 \sqrt{m_\pi^2 + k^2}$$

2. “Bounding method”: $0 \leq G(x_0) \leq G^{\rho\rho}(x_0^{\text{cut}}) e^{-\omega_1(x_0 - x_0^{\text{cut}})}$

[Lehner 2016, Borsanyi et al., PRL 121 (2018) 022002]

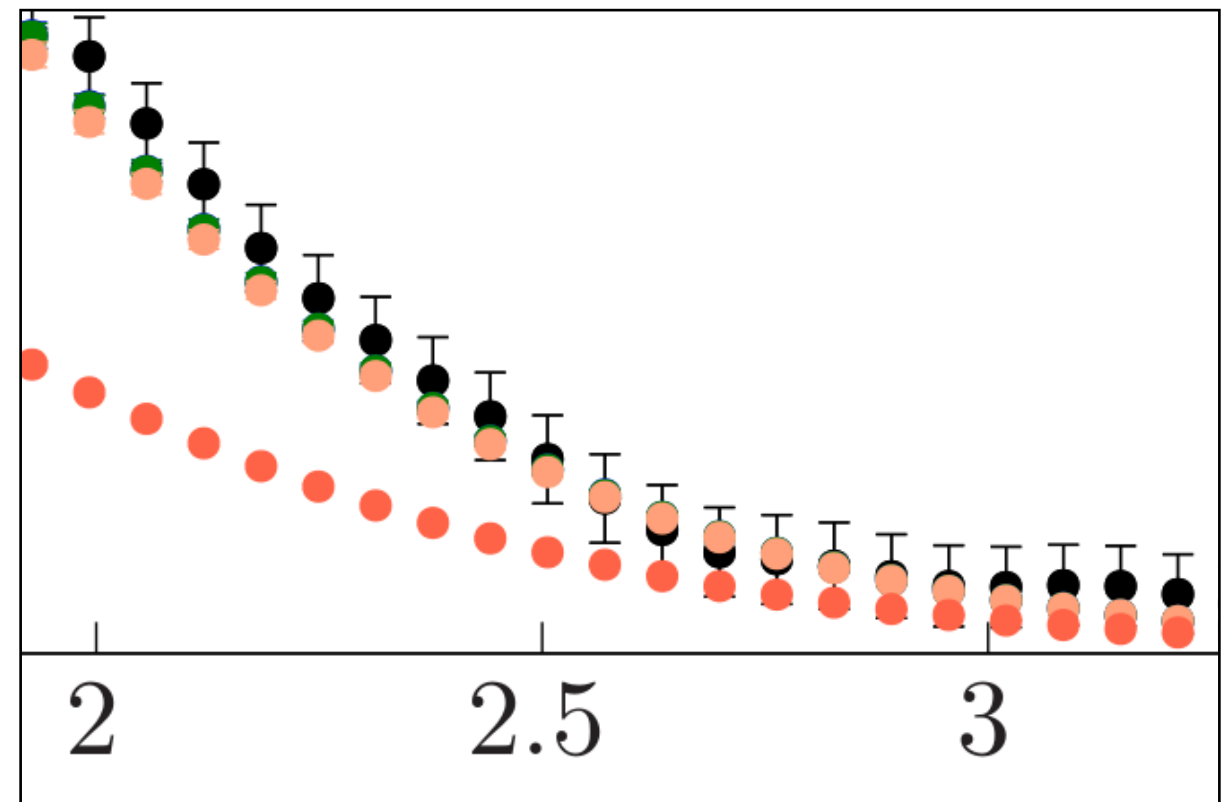
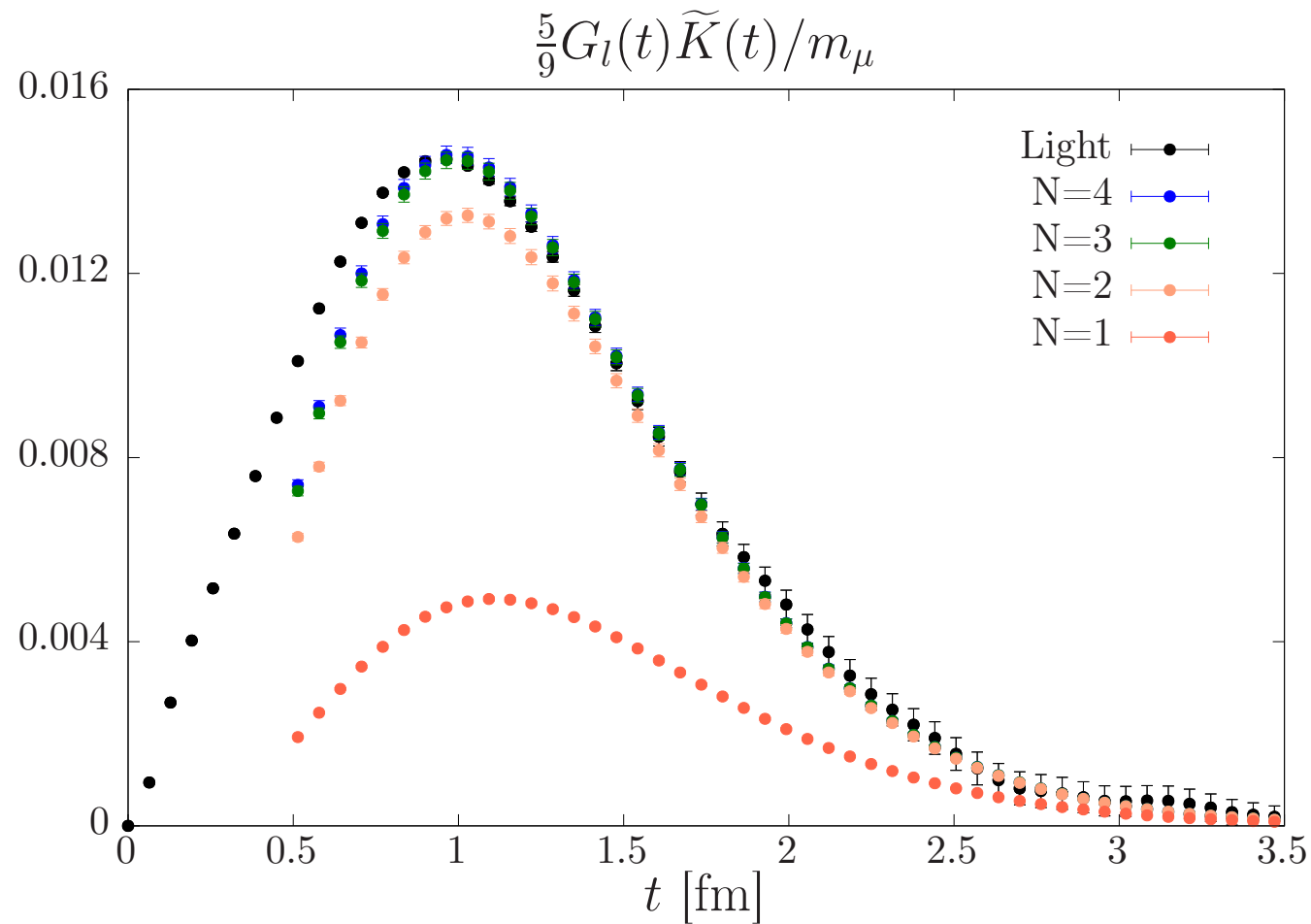
3. Determination of the timelike pion form factor *[Meyer, PRL 107 (2011) 072002]*

$$\delta_1(k) + \phi\left(\frac{kL}{2\pi}\right) = 0 \text{ mod } \pi, \quad |A_n|^2 = \frac{2k^5}{3\pi\omega^2} \frac{|F_\pi(\omega)|^2}{\{k\phi'(k) + k\delta'_1(k)\}}$$

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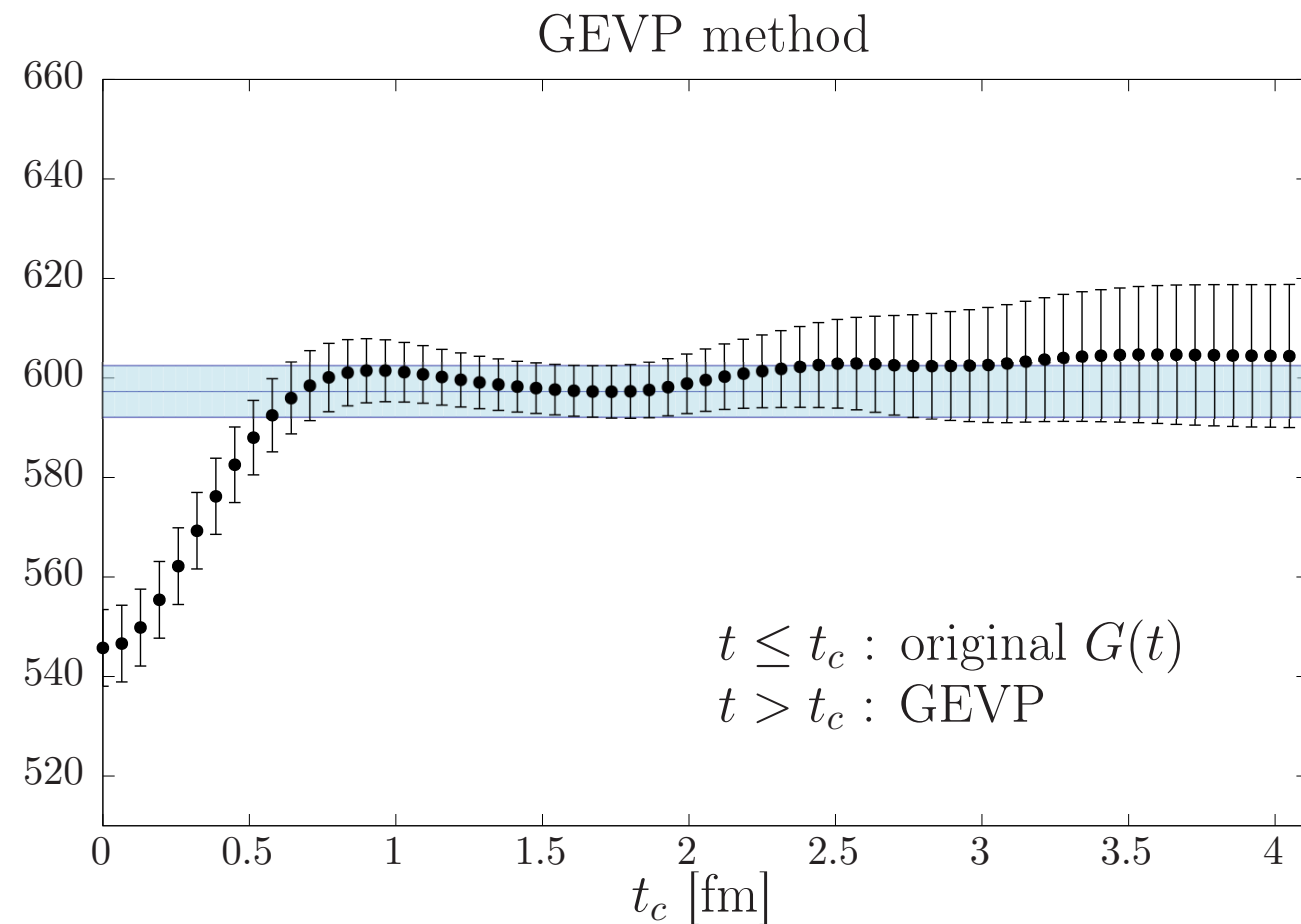
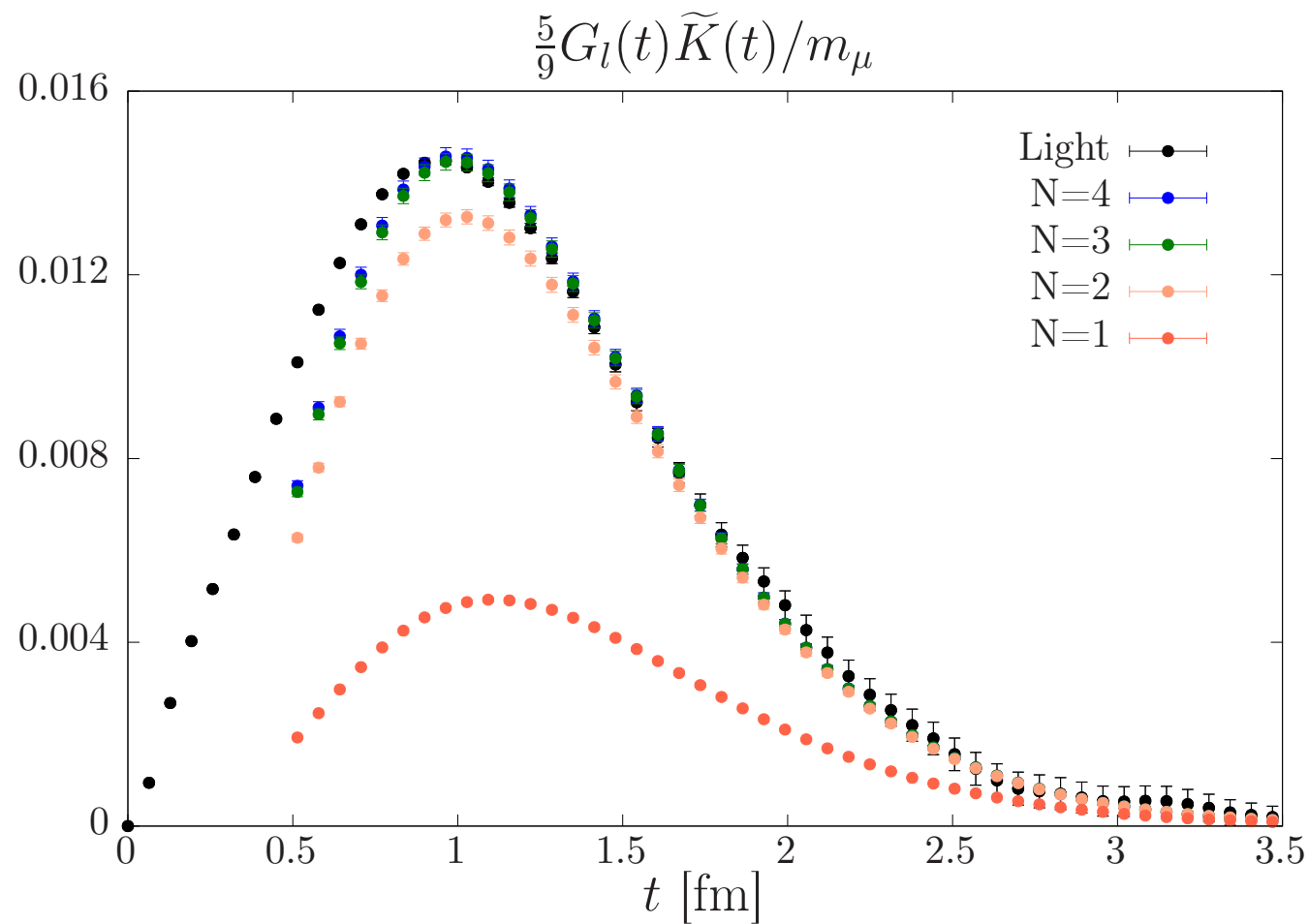


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- * Optimise choice of x_0^{cut}

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Method 2: Bounding method

- * Positivity of spectral sum for $G^{\rho\rho}(x_0)$ implies:

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq G(x_0) \leq G^{\rho\rho}(x_0^{\text{cut}}) e^{-\omega_1(x_0-x_0^{\text{cut}})}$$

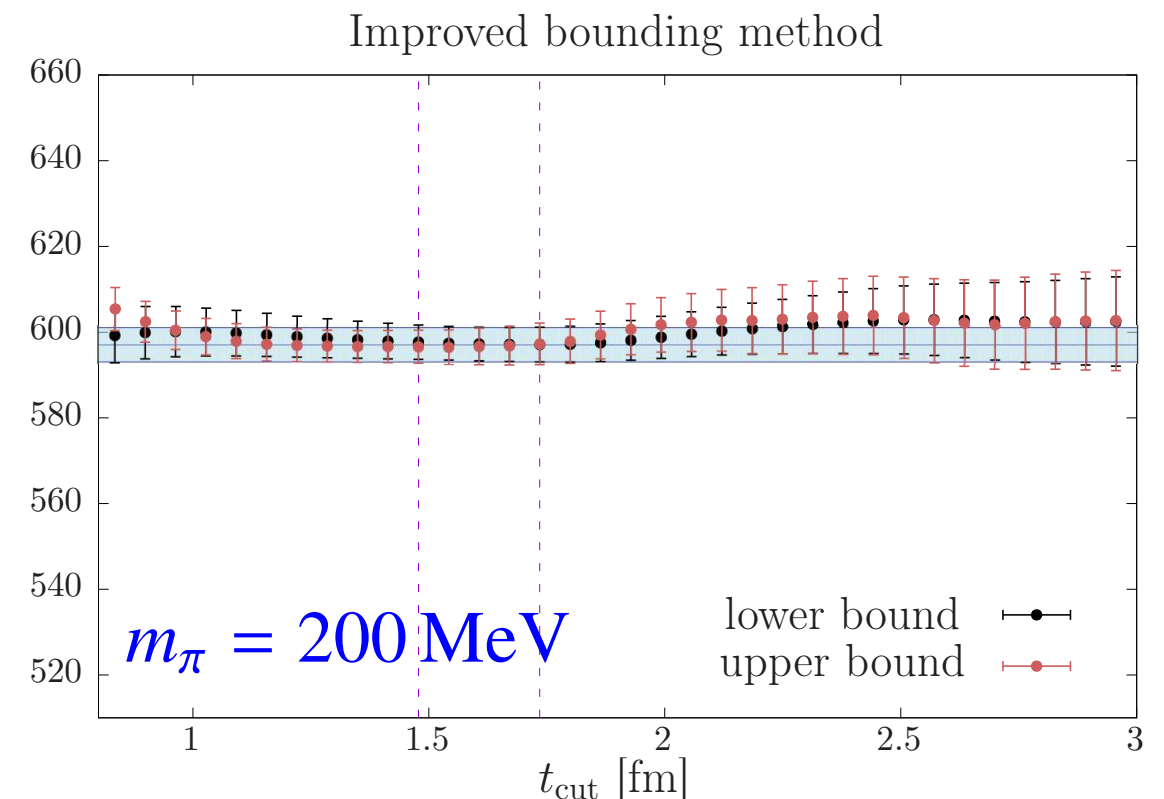
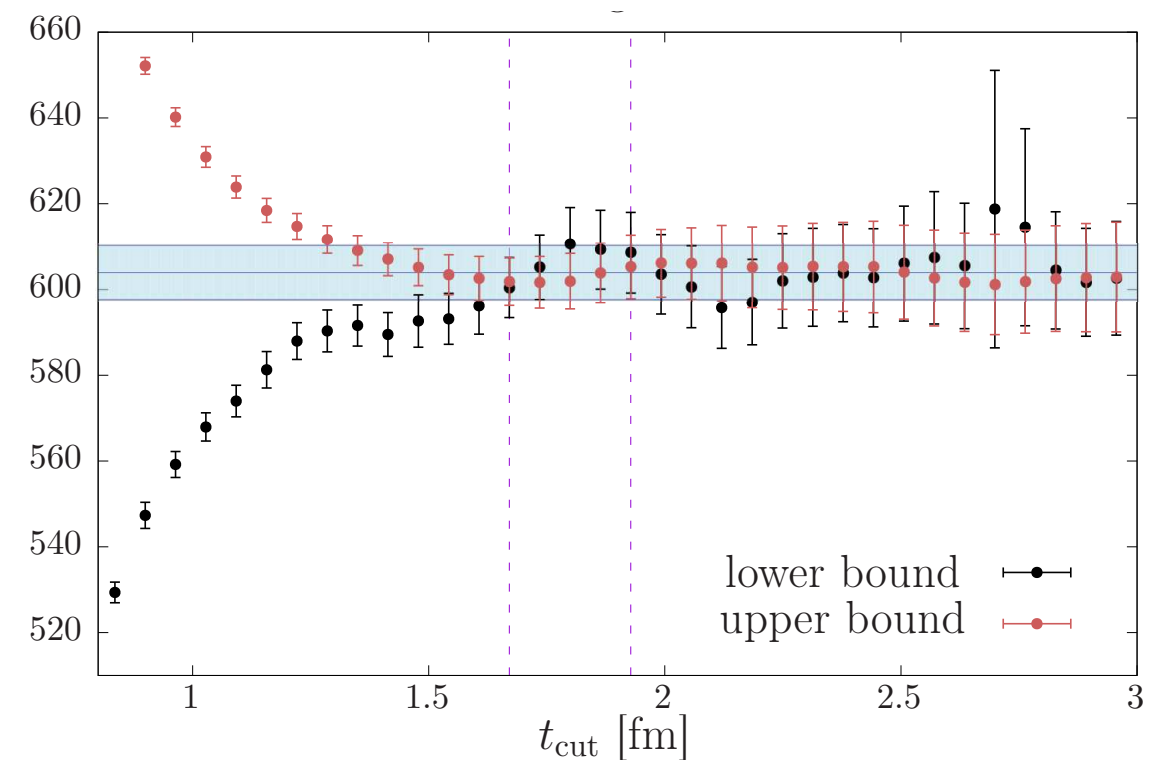
ω_1 : ground state energy

- * Improved bounding method

$$\tilde{G}(x_0) \equiv G(x_0) - \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} |A_n|^2 e^{-\omega_n x_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq \tilde{G}(x_0) \leq \tilde{G}(x_0^{\text{cut}}) e^{-\omega_N(x_0-x_0^{\text{cut}})}$$

ω_N : energy of N^{th} state



Finite-volume effects

- * Finite-volume correction

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp}}(\infty) - a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp}}(L) = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^{\infty} dx_0 \tilde{K}(x_0) [G(x_0, \infty) - G(x_0, L)]$$

- * Iso-vector correlator in infinite volume

$$G^{\rho\rho}(x_0, \infty) = \int_0^{\infty} d\omega \omega^2 \rho(\omega^2) e^{-\omega|x_0|}, \quad \rho(\omega^2) = \frac{1}{48\pi^2} \left(1 - \frac{4m_{\pi}^2}{\omega^2}\right)^{3/2} |F_{\pi}(\omega)|^2$$

- * Finite volume:

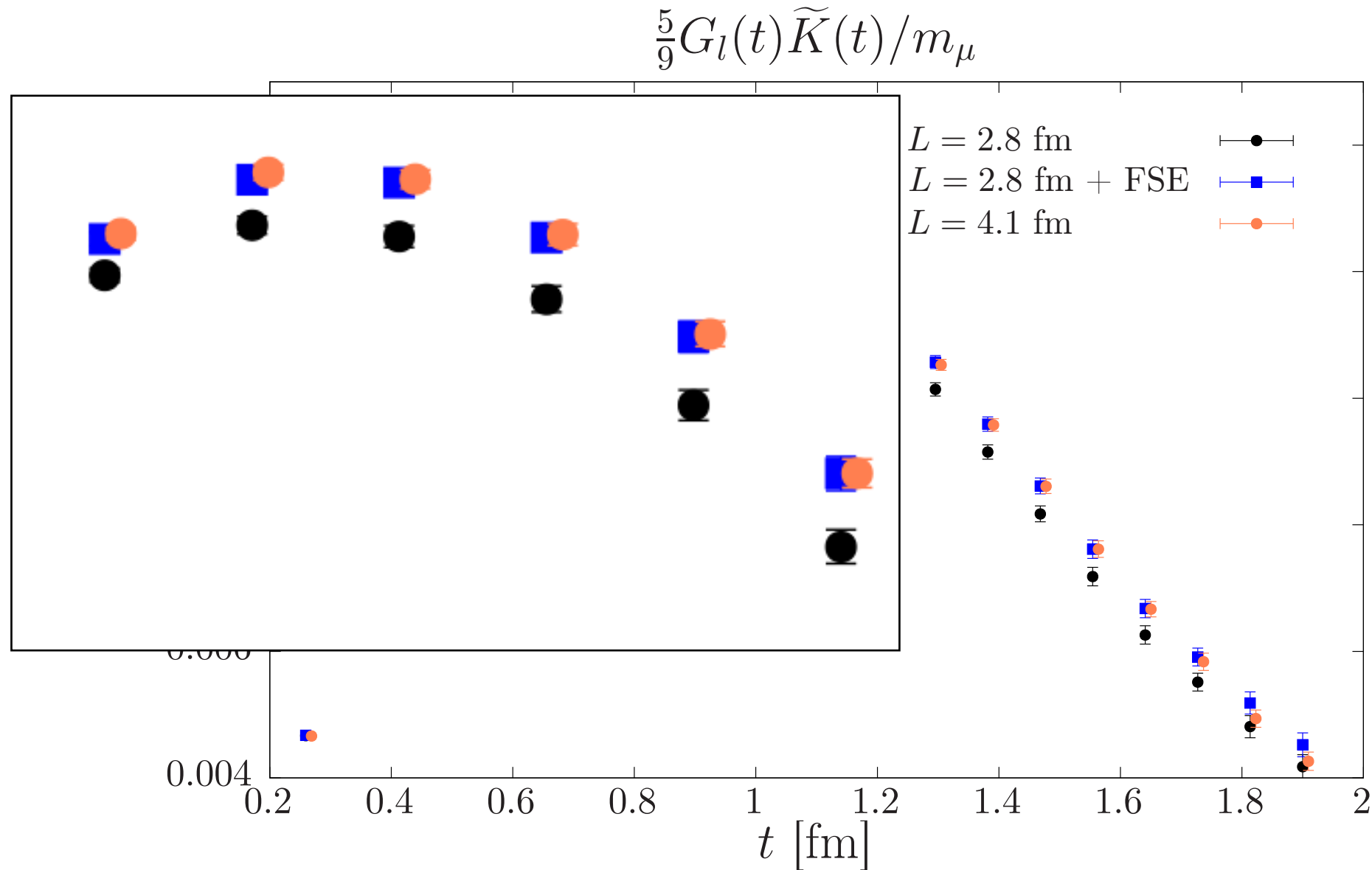
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- * Direct calculation of $F_{\pi}(\omega)$

- * Use Gounaris-Sakurai parameterisation of $F_{\pi}(\omega)$ in terms of $(m_{\rho}, \Gamma_{\rho})$

Finite-volume effects

- * Cross check at $m_\pi = 280 \text{ MeV}$ (H105, N101: $m_\pi L = 3.8, 5.8$)



- * Finite-size effects well described by GS parameterisation of $F_\pi(\omega)$

Scale setting

- * Lattice scale enters determination of a_μ^{hvp}

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} = a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}(M_\mu; M_u, M_d, M_s, \dots), \quad M_\mu = m_\mu/\Lambda, \quad M_u = m_u/\Lambda, \dots$$

Λ : sets the lattice scale

$$M_\mu \frac{\partial a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}}{\partial M_\mu} = -a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} + \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dx_0 G(x_0) J(x_0), \quad J(x_0) = x_0 \tilde{K}'(x_0) - \tilde{K}(x_0)$$

$$\frac{\Delta a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}}{a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}} = \left| \underbrace{\frac{M_\mu}{a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}} \frac{\partial a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}}{\partial M_\mu}}_{1.8} + \underbrace{\frac{M_\pi}{a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}} \frac{\partial a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}}{\partial M_\pi}}_{-0.18(6)} + \dots \right| \frac{\Delta\Lambda}{\Lambda}$$

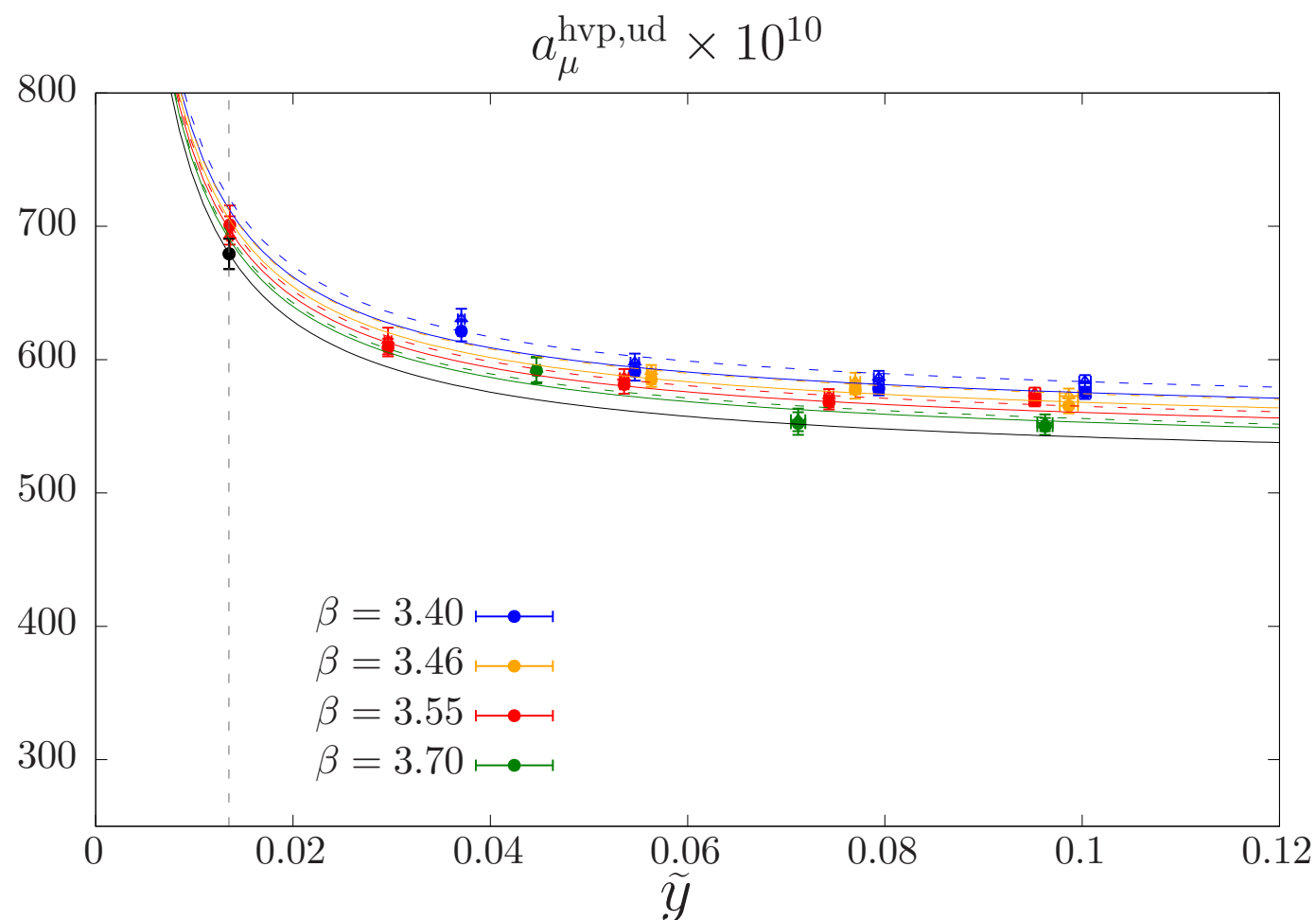
- * Our calculation: $\Lambda^{-1} = \sqrt{8t_0} = 0.415(4)(2) \text{ fm}$ [Bruno et al., PRD 95 (2017) 074504]

Connected light quark contribution

* Chiral and continuum extrapolation:

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}(a, m_\pi) = a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} \Big|_{\text{phys}} + Ba^2 + Cm_\pi^2 + D \ln m_\pi^2 \quad (m_\pi \rightarrow 0 \text{ at fixed } m_\mu)$$

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- Dashed / solid lines: different discretisations of the vector current

$$(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})_{\text{conn}}^{ud} = (674 \pm 12 \pm 5) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

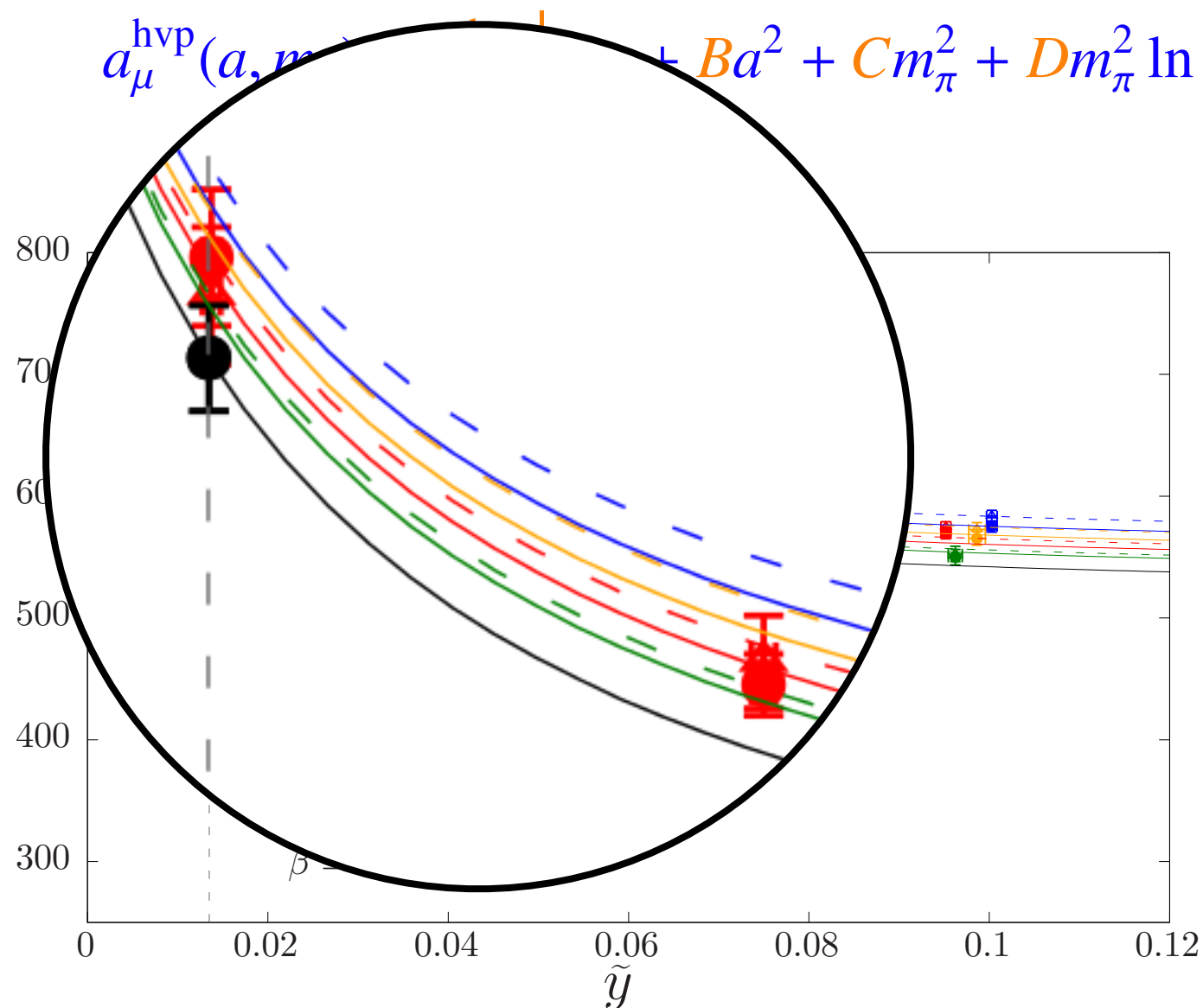
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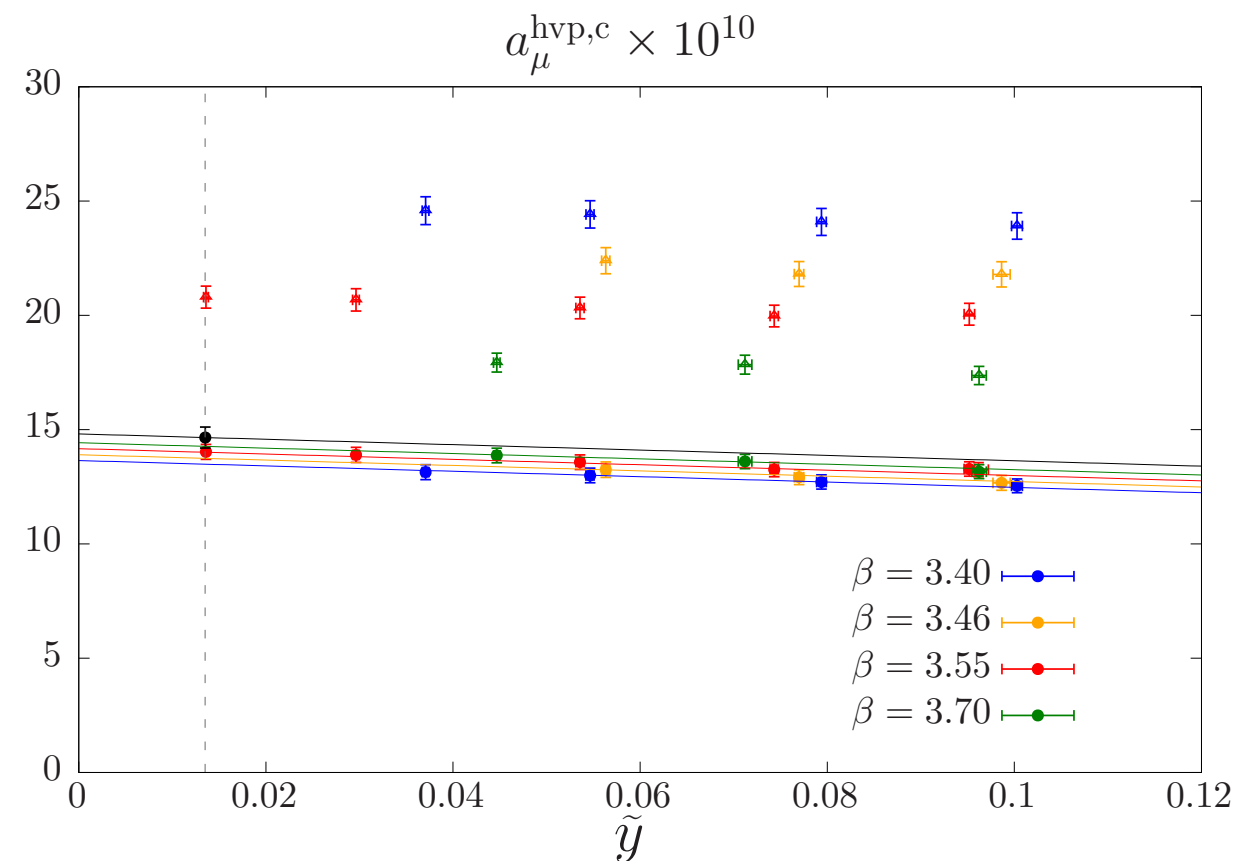
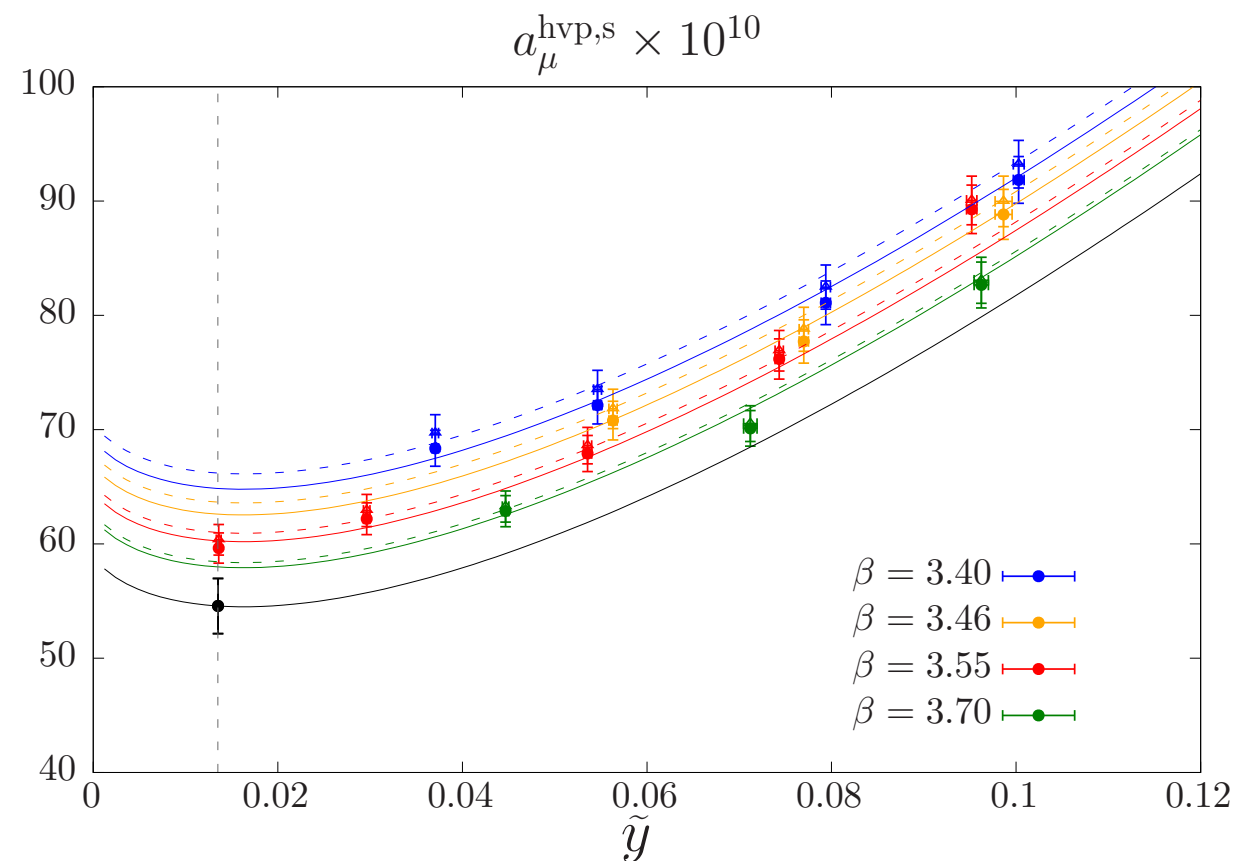
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Connected strange and charm contributions

* Chiral and continuum extrapolation:



$$(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^s = (54.5 \pm 2.4 \pm 0.6) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

$$(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^c = (14.66 \pm 0.45 \pm 0.06) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

* Error dominated by scale setting uncertainty

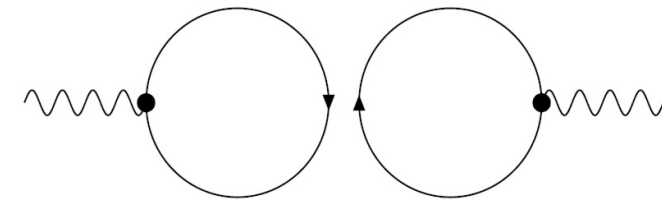
* Larger discretisation effects observed for charm quark

Disconnected diagrams

* Iso-scalar contribution...

...admits a positive spectral representation

...contains disconnected contributions



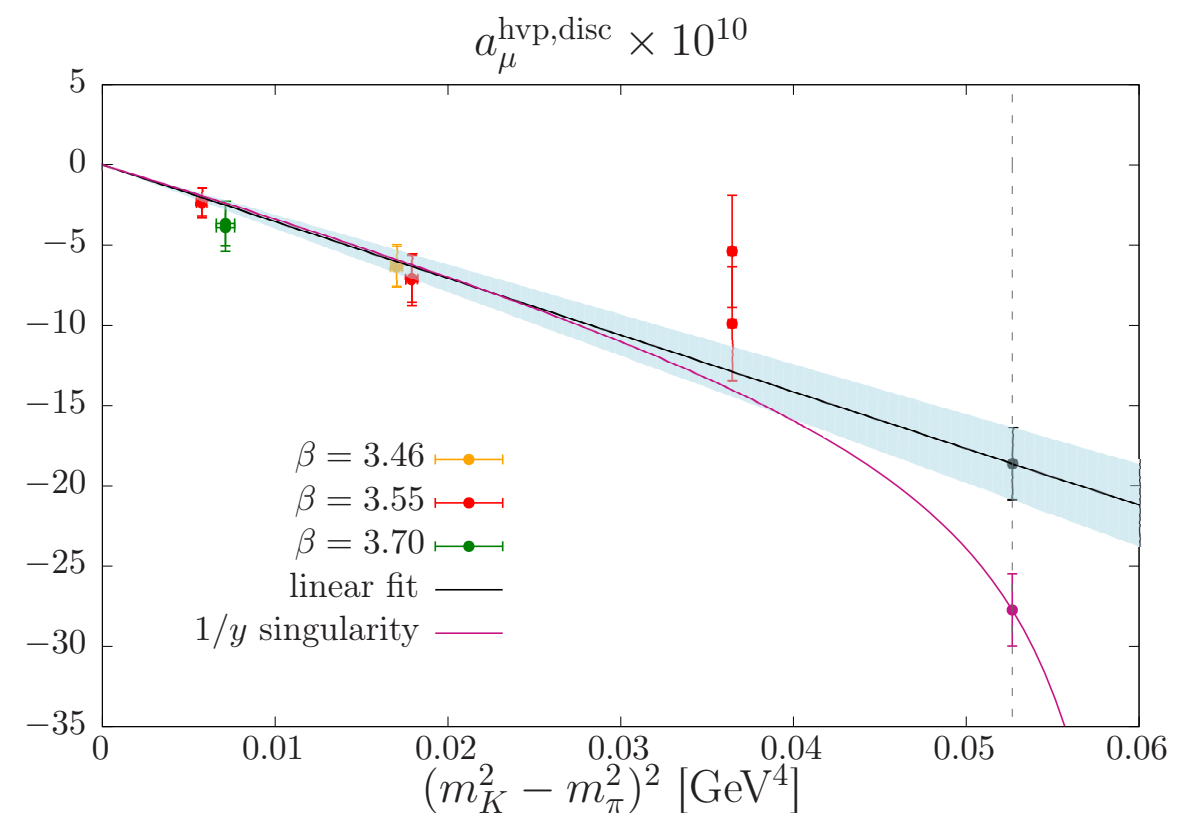
⇒ Apply bounding method to iso-scalar correlator (uds) quarks:

$$0 \leq G^{I=0}(x_0) \leq G^{I=0}(x_0^{\text{cut}}) e^{-m_\rho(x_0 - x_0^{\text{cut}})}$$

$$(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})_{\text{disc}} = (a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{I=0} - \frac{1}{10}(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})_{\text{con}}^{ud} - (a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})_{\text{con}}^s$$

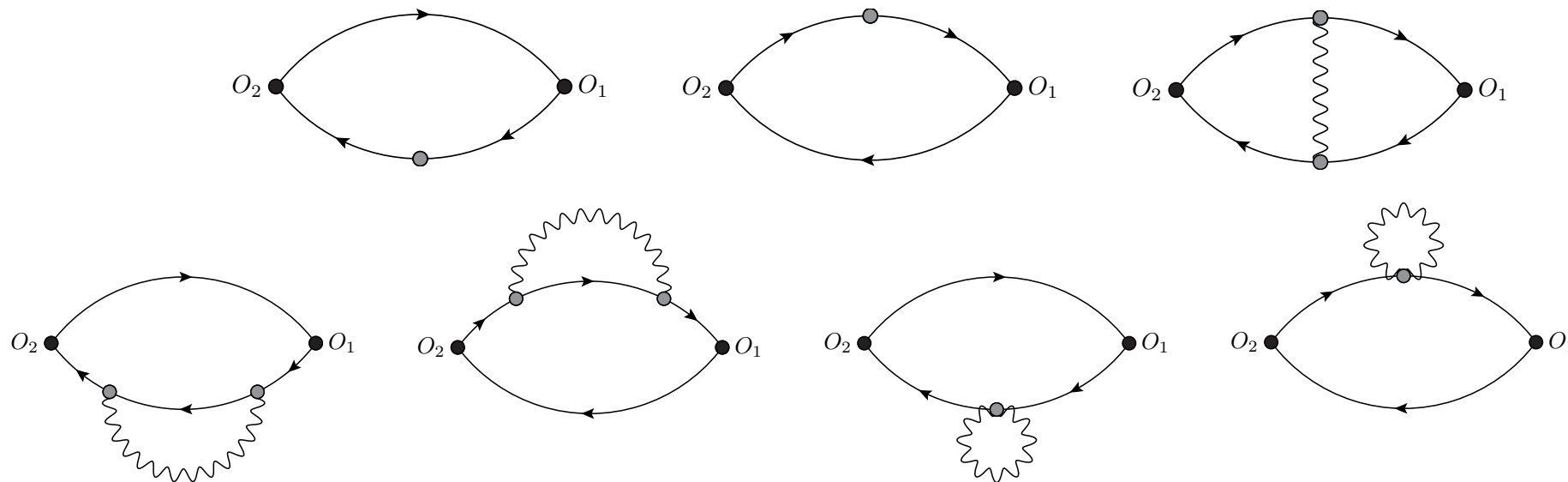
* Physical point:

$$(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})_{\text{disc}} = (-23.2 \pm 2.2 \pm 4.5) \cdot 10^{-10}$$



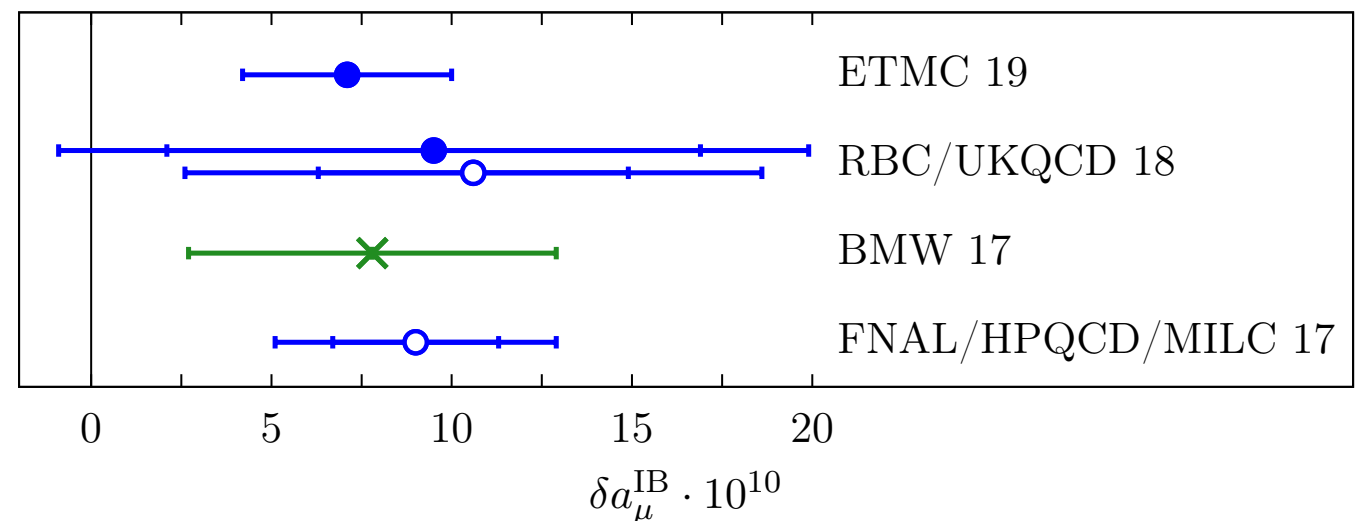
Isospin breaking effects

- * Stochastic vs. perturbative method
- * Expand correlator in powers of $(m_d - m_u)$ and $\alpha = e^2/4\pi$



[Divitiis et al., arXiv:1110.6294, arXiv:1303.4896; Giusti et al., arXiv:1704.06561; Risch, HW, arXiv:1811.00895]

Isospin breaking corrections:



Results and comparison

- * Final result at the physical point

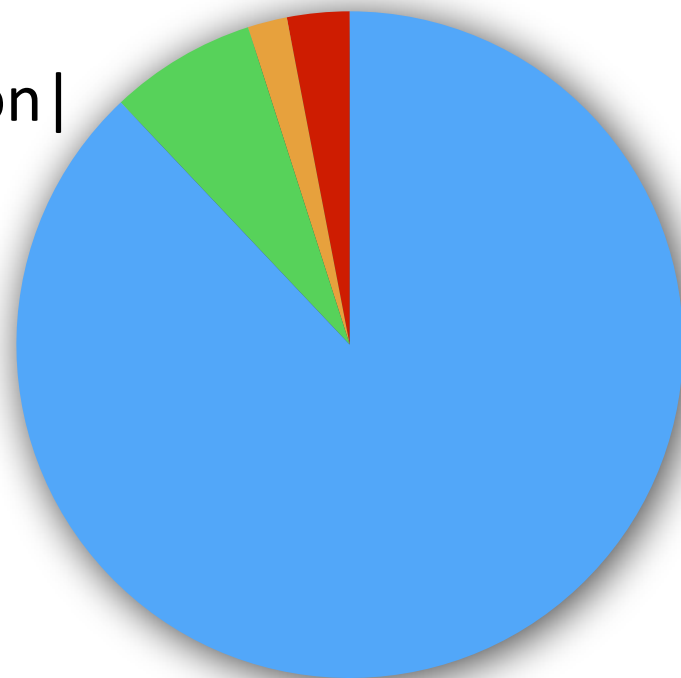
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$$a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp}} = (720 \pm 12.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 9.9_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-10}$$

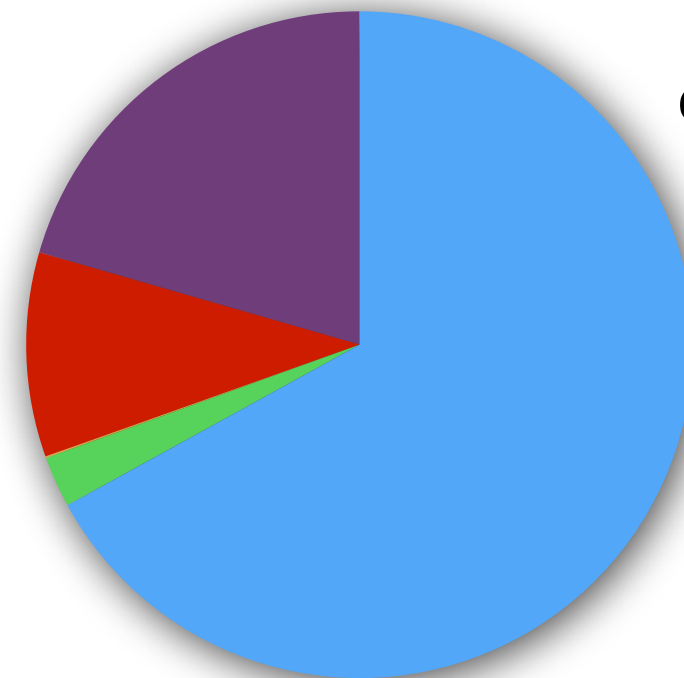
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- * Individual contributions:

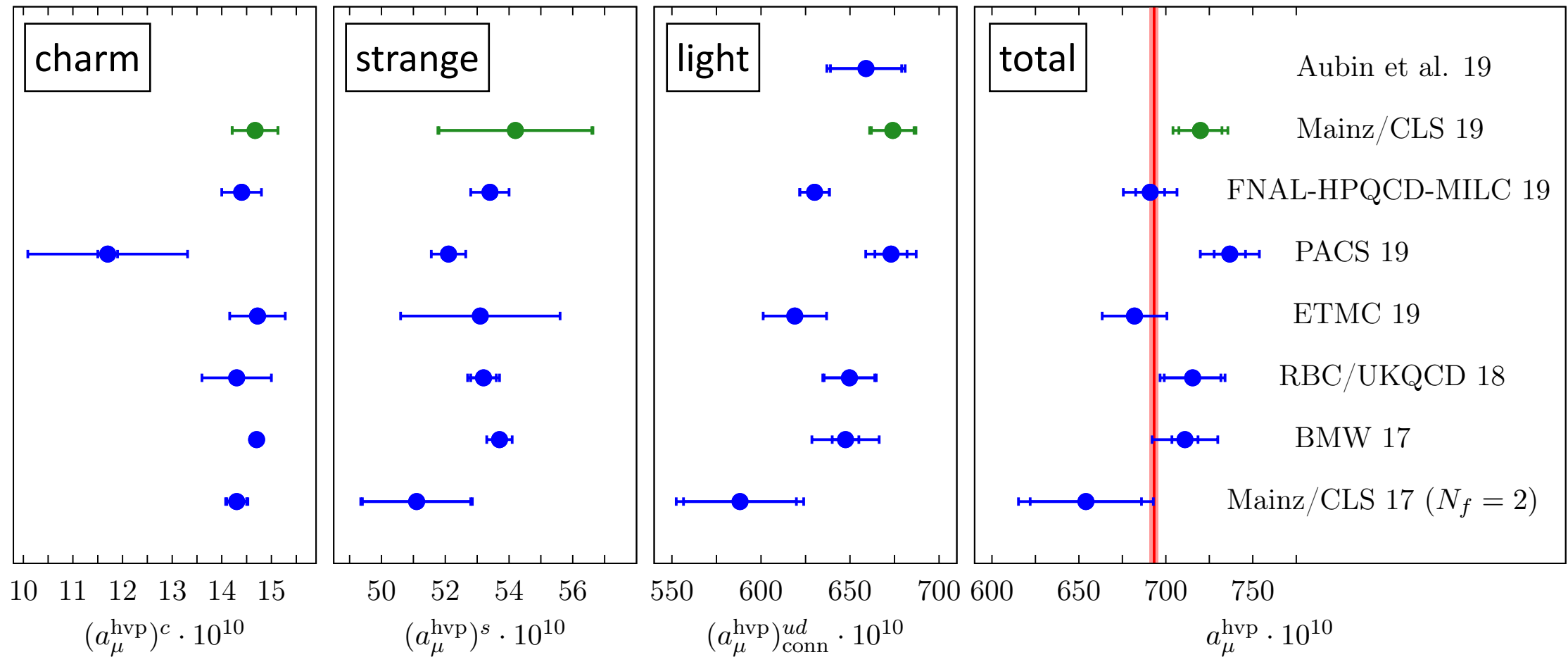
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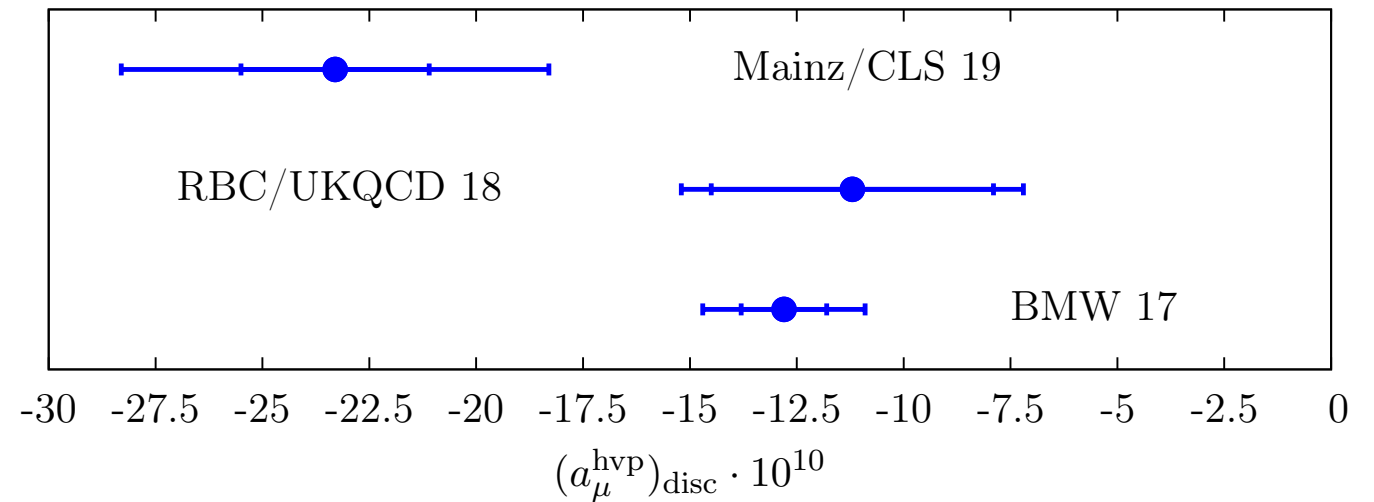
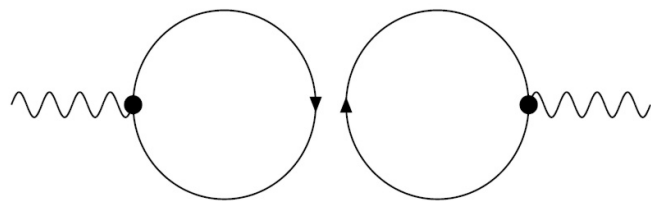
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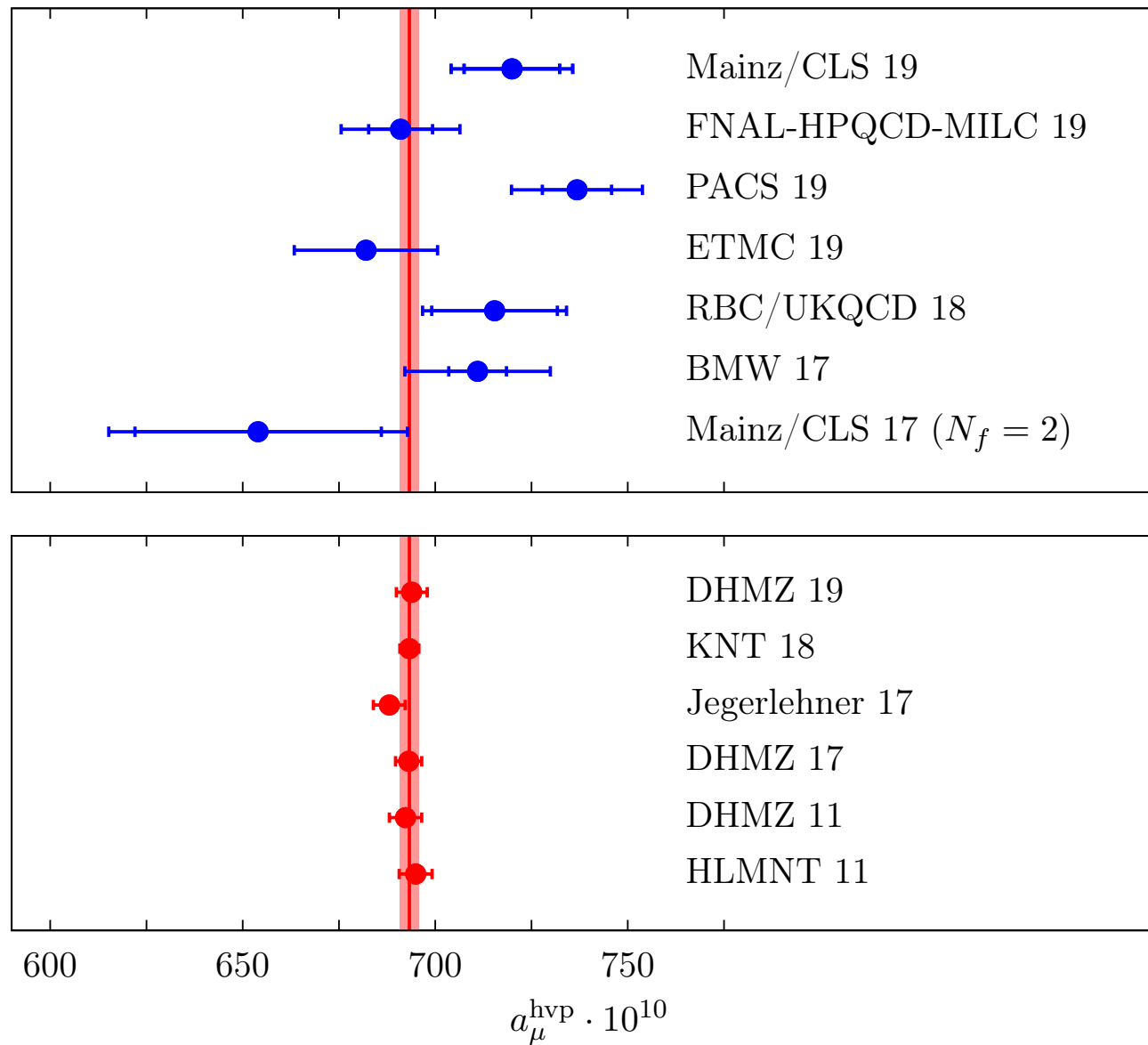


Quark-disconnected diagrams



Results and comparison

* Lattice QCD vs. dispersion theory:



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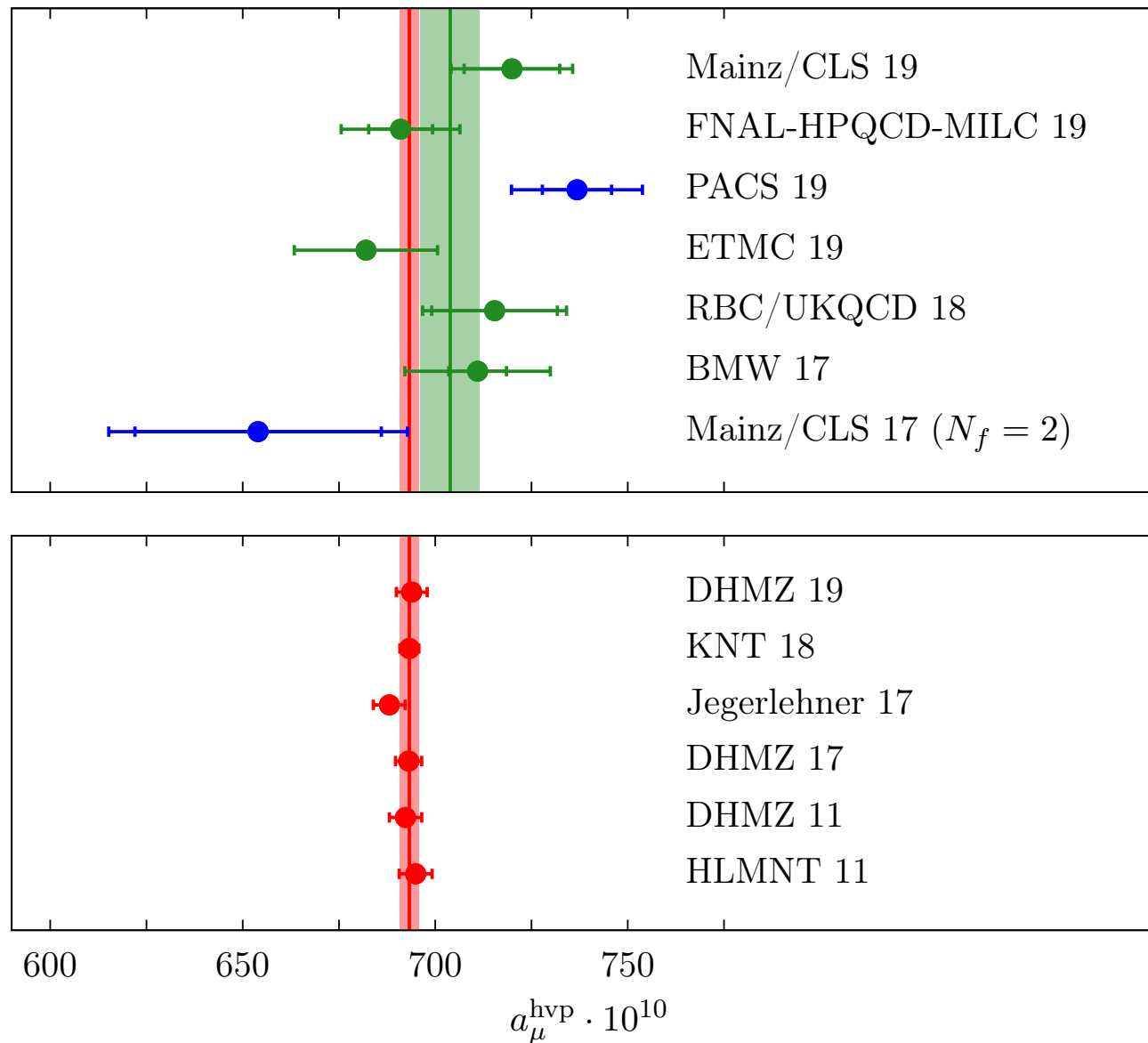
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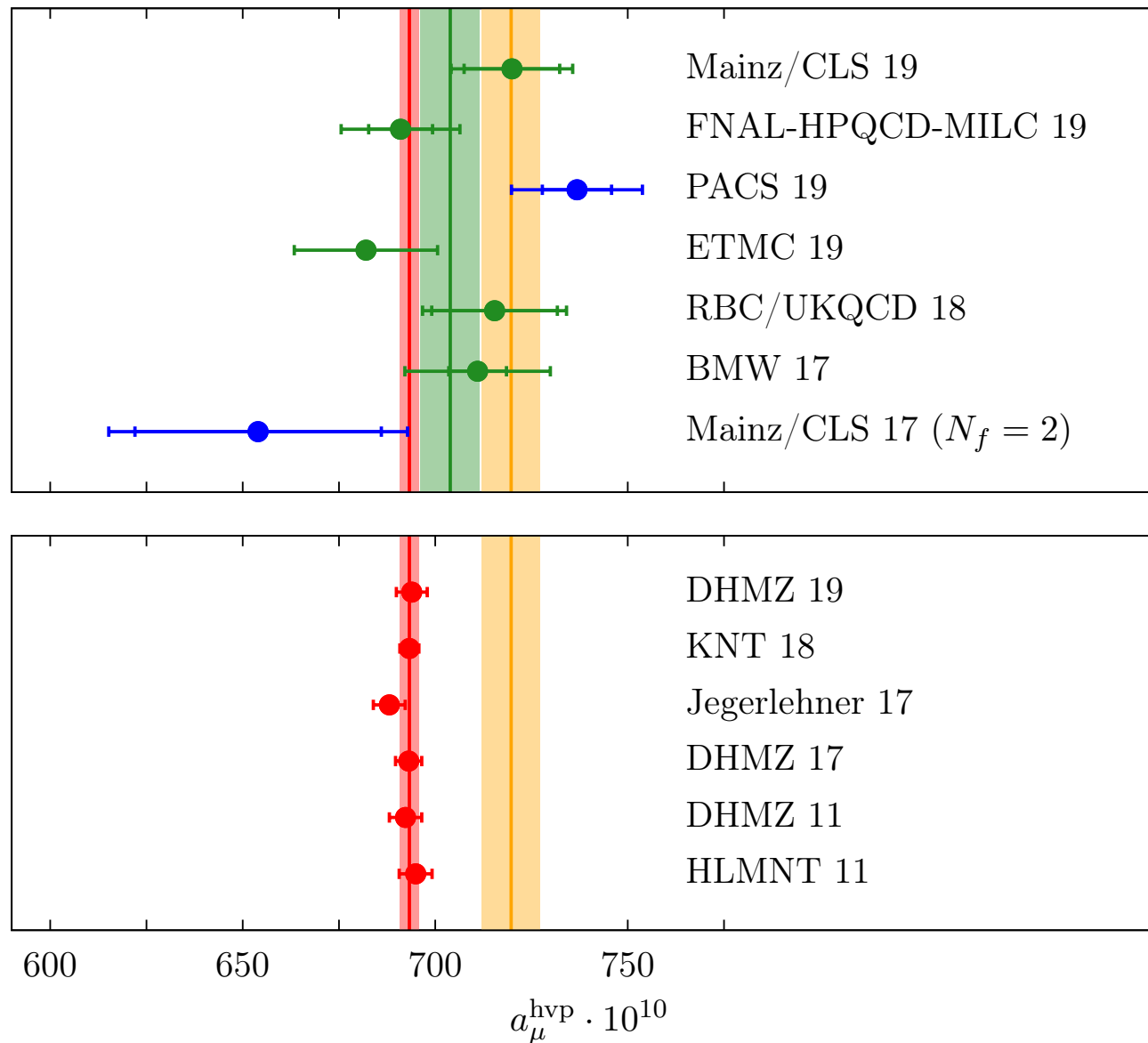
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“No new physics”:

$$(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})_{\text{NNP}} = (a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})_{\text{disp}} + (a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}})$$

Summary & Outlook

- * Individual calculations achieve overall precision of $\approx 2\%$ in a_μ^{hvp}
- * Light quark contribution dominant — magnitude and uncertainty
 - increase overall statistics
 - improve determination of long-distance contribution
 - improve precision of scale setting
- * Quark-disconnected and isospin-breaking contributions crucial for credible and competitive overall precision

Mainz/CLS effort

- Add ensembles at smaller lattice spacing and (near-)physical m_π
- Improve precision of quark-disconnected contribution
- Include isospin breaking; improve scale setting uncertainty