

# The HVP contribution to the muon $g-2$ from the lattice

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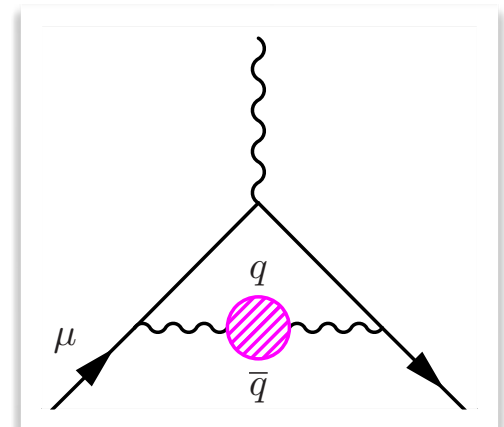
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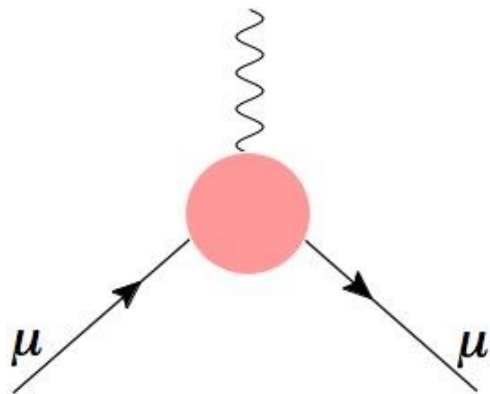
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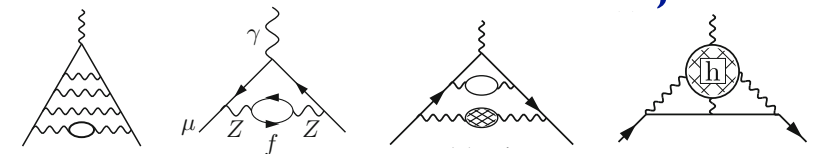
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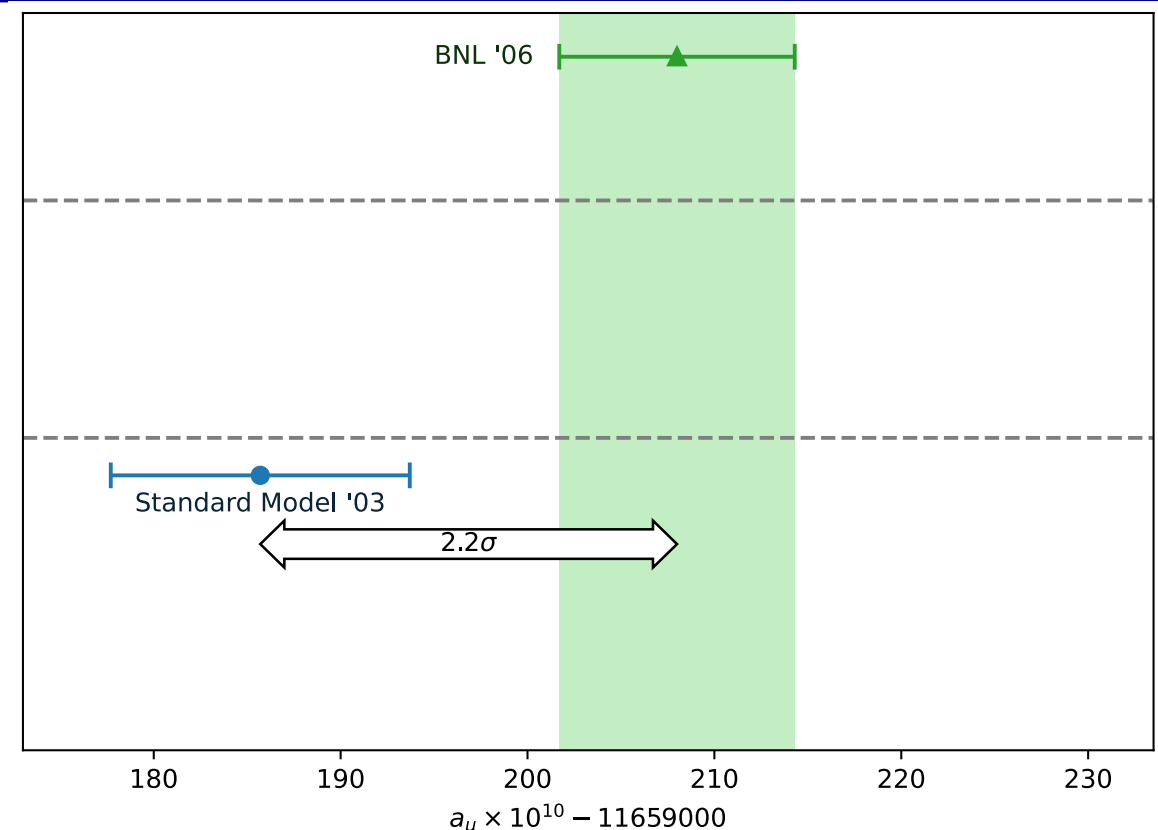
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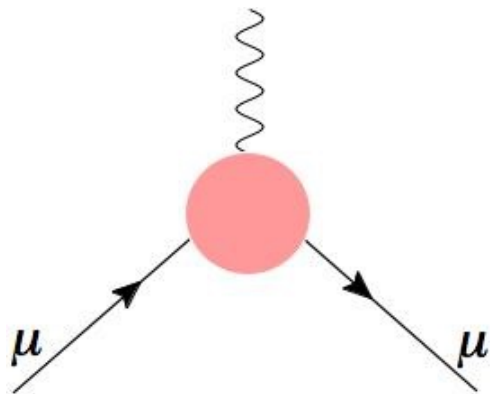
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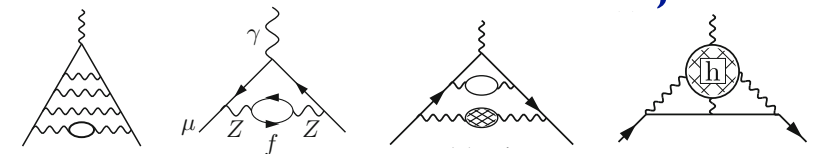
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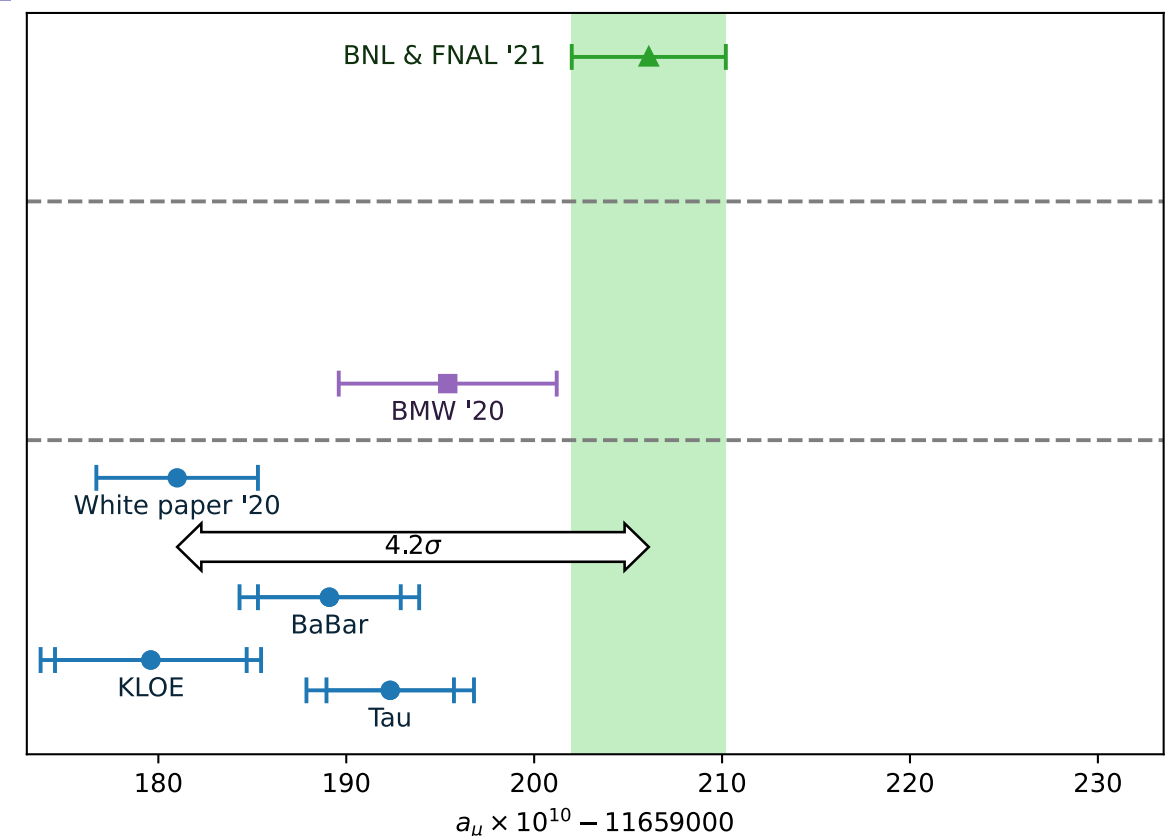
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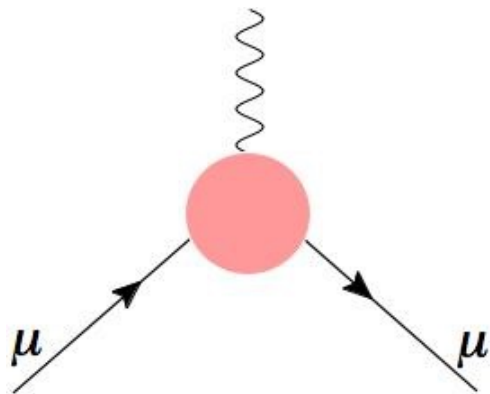
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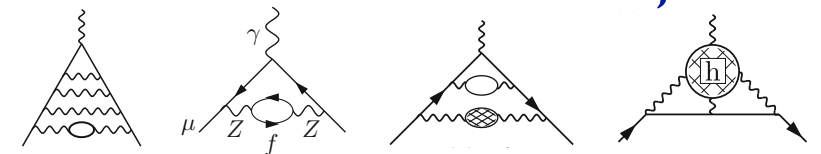
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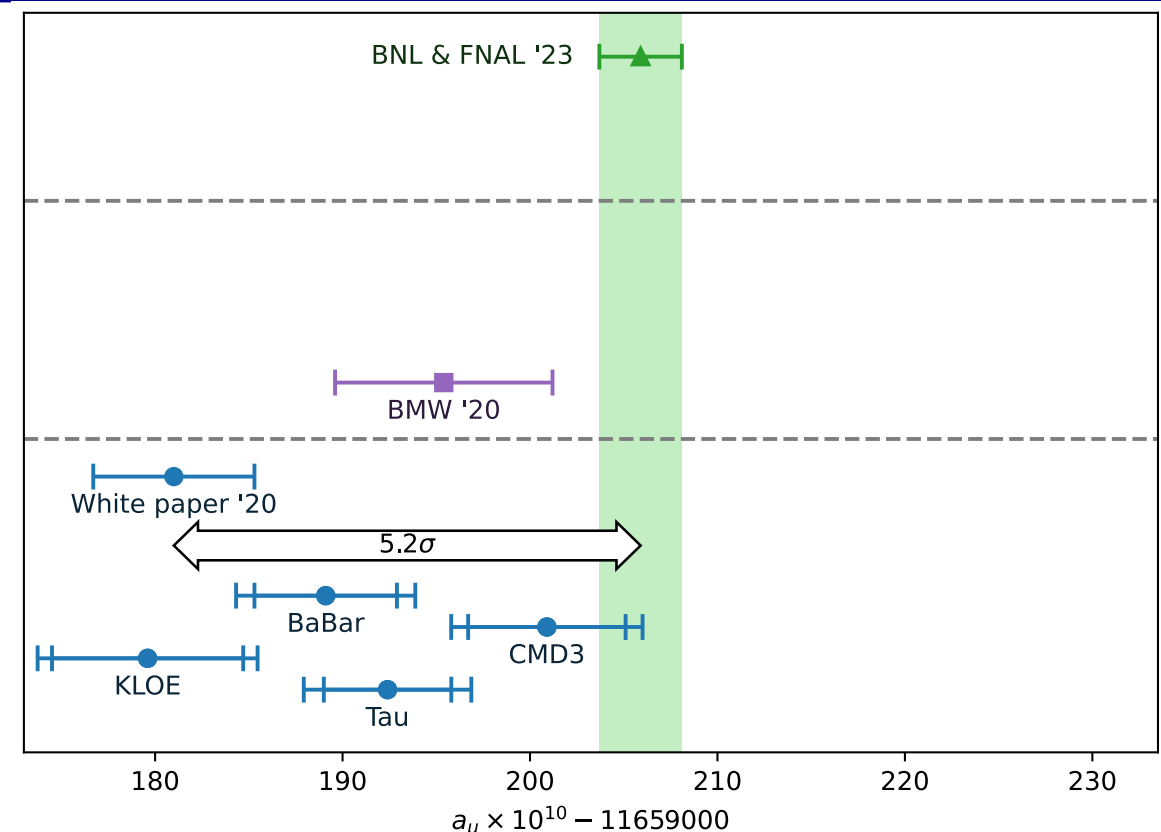


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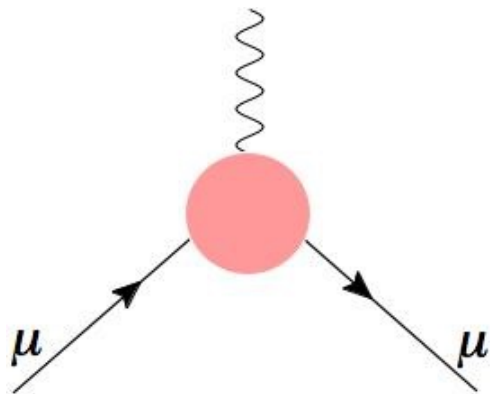
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## ABSTRACT

We present the current Standard Model (SM) prediction for the muon anomalous magnetic moment,  $a_\mu$ , updating the first White Paper (WP20) [1]. The pure QED and electroweak contributions have been further consolidated, while hadronic contributions continue to be responsible for the bulk of the uncertainty of the SM prediction. Significant progress has been achieved in the hadronic light-by-light scattering contribution using both the data-driven dispersive approach as well as lattice-QCD calculations, leading to a reduction of the uncertainty by almost a factor of two. The most important development since WP20 is the change in the estimate of the leading-order hadronic-vacuum-polarization (LO HVP) contribution. A new measurement of the  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  cross section by CMD-3 has increased the tensions among data-driven dispersive evaluations of the LO HVP contribution to a level that makes it impossible to combine the results in a meaningful way. At the same time, the attainable precision of lattice-QCD calculations has increased substantially and allows for a consolidated lattice-QCD average of the LO HVP contribution with a precision of about 0.9%. Adopting the latter in this update has resulted in a major upward shift of the total SM prediction, which now reads  $a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = 116\,592\,033(62) \times 10^{-11}$  (530 ppb). When compared against the current experimental average based on the E821 experiment and runs 1–6 of E989 at Fermilab, one finds  $a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = 38(63) \times 10^{-11}$ , which implies that there is no tension between the SM and experiment at the current level of precision. The final precision of E989 (127 ppb) is the target of future efforts by the Theory Initiative. The resolution of the tensions among data-driven dispersive evaluations of the LO HVP contribution will be a key element in this endeavor.

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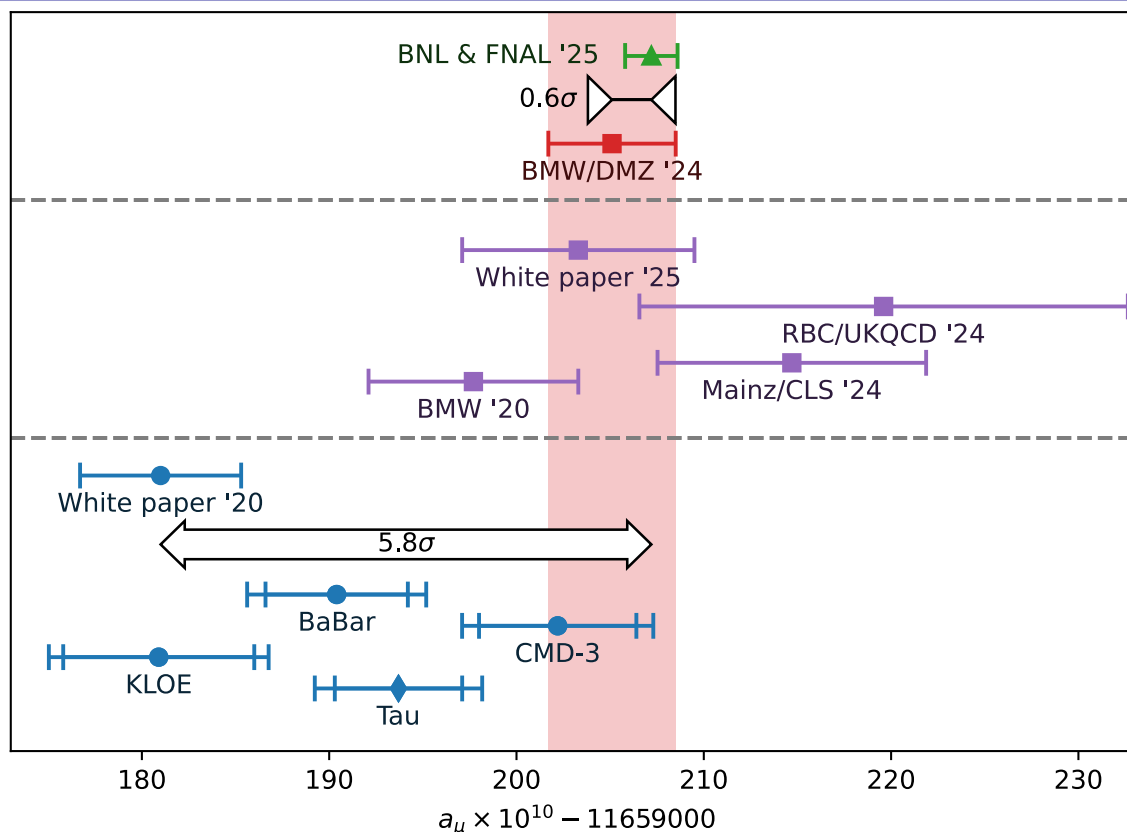
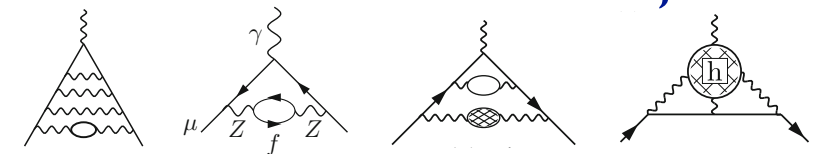


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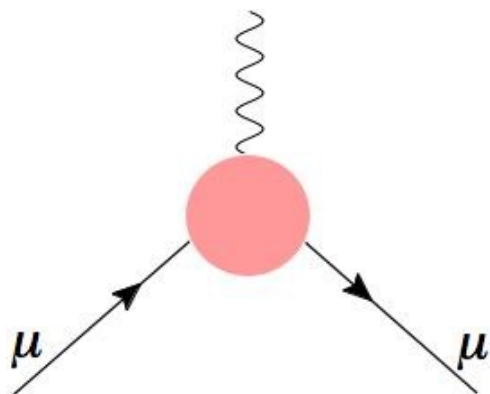


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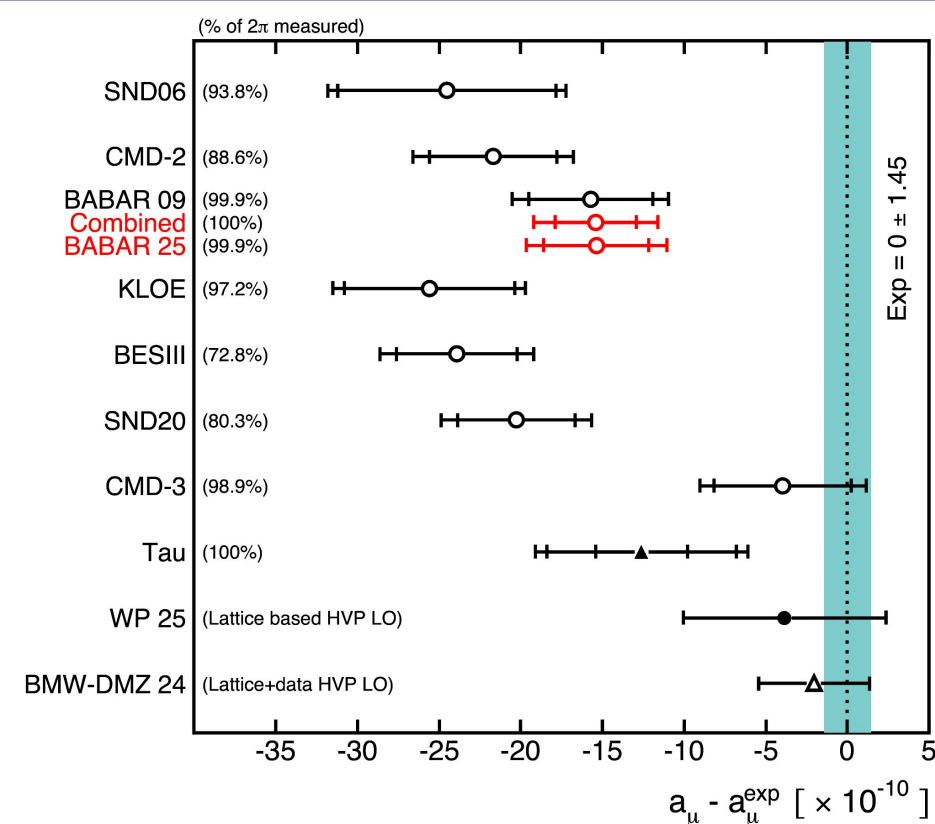
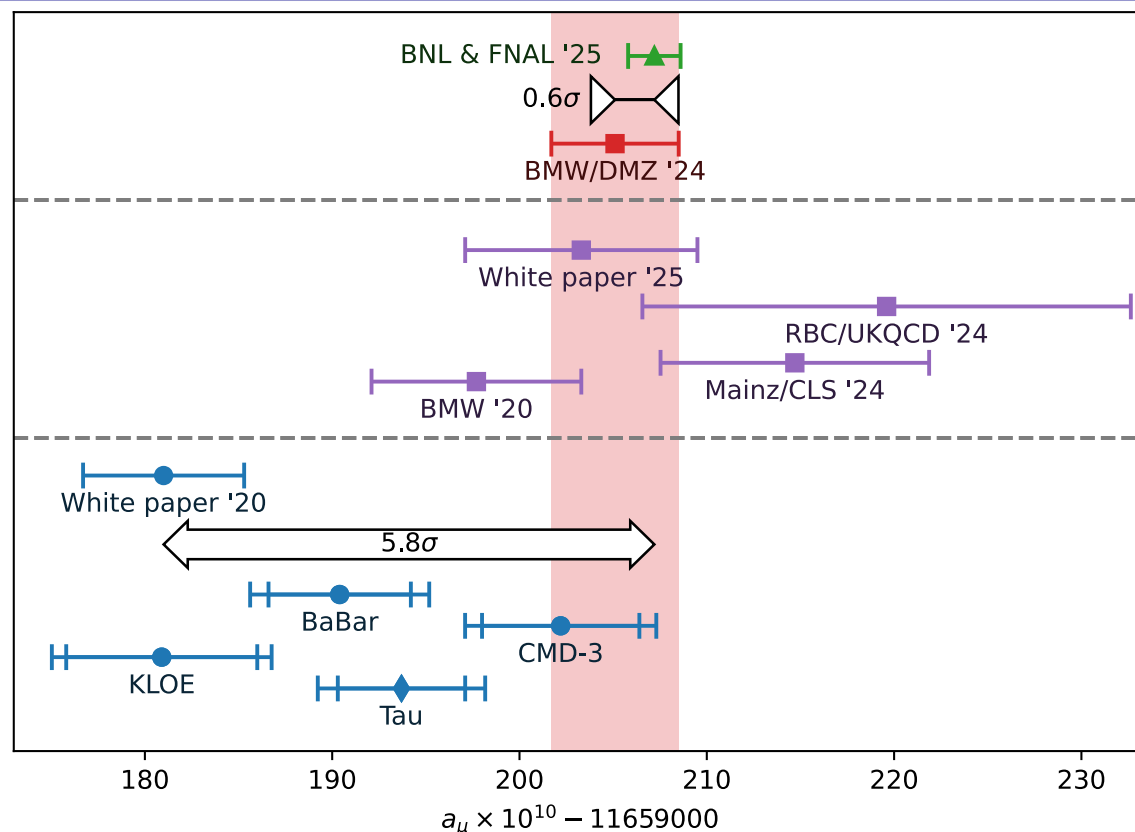
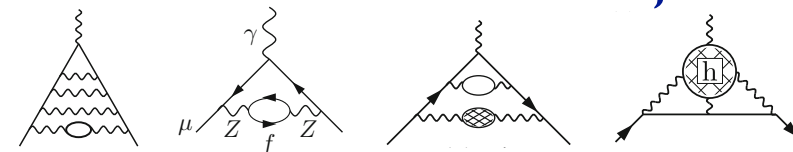
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# Hadronic contributions

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

Clearly right order of magnitude:

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

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

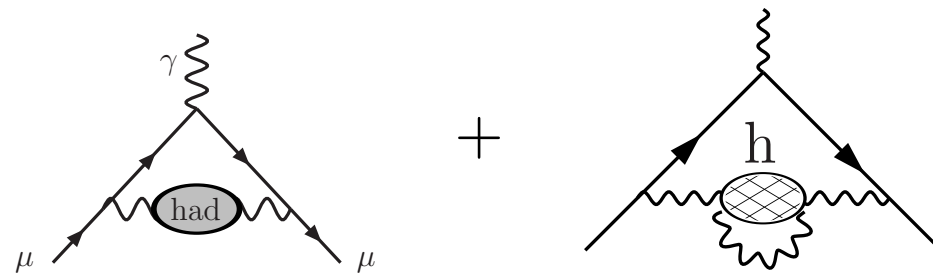
Huge challenge: theory of strong interaction between quarks and gluons, QCD, hugely nonlinear at energies relevant for  $a_{\mu}$

- perturbative methods used for electromagnetic and weak interactions do not work
- need nonperturbative approaches

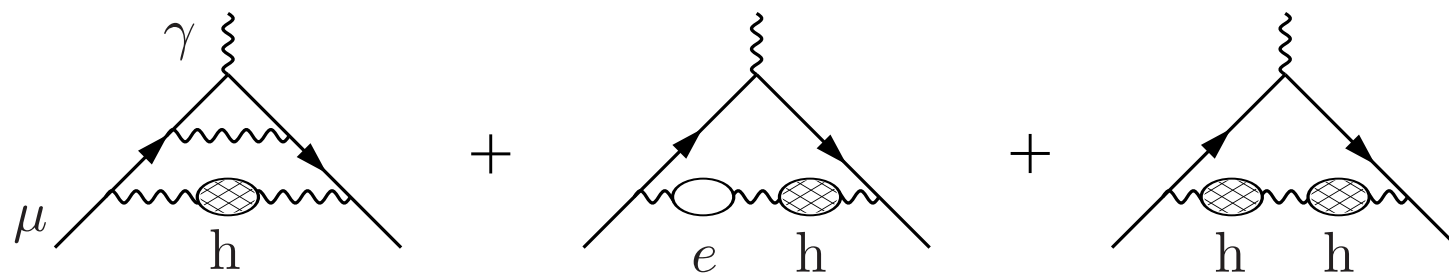
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$$a_{\mu}^{\text{had}} = a_{\mu}^{\text{LO-HVP}} + a_{\mu}^{\text{HO-HVP}} + a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbyL}} + \mathcal{O} \left( \left( \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^4 \right)$$

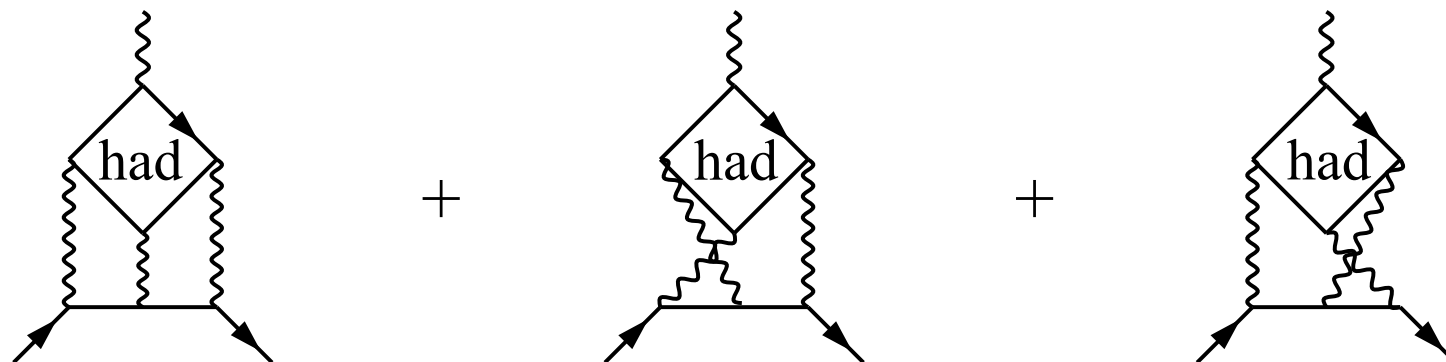
# Hadronic contributions: diagrams



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



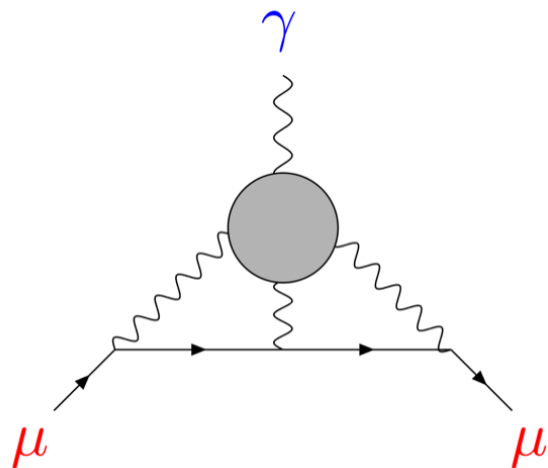
$$\rightarrow a_{\mu}^{\text{NLO-HVP}} = \mathcal{O}\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3\right)$$



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



# 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:

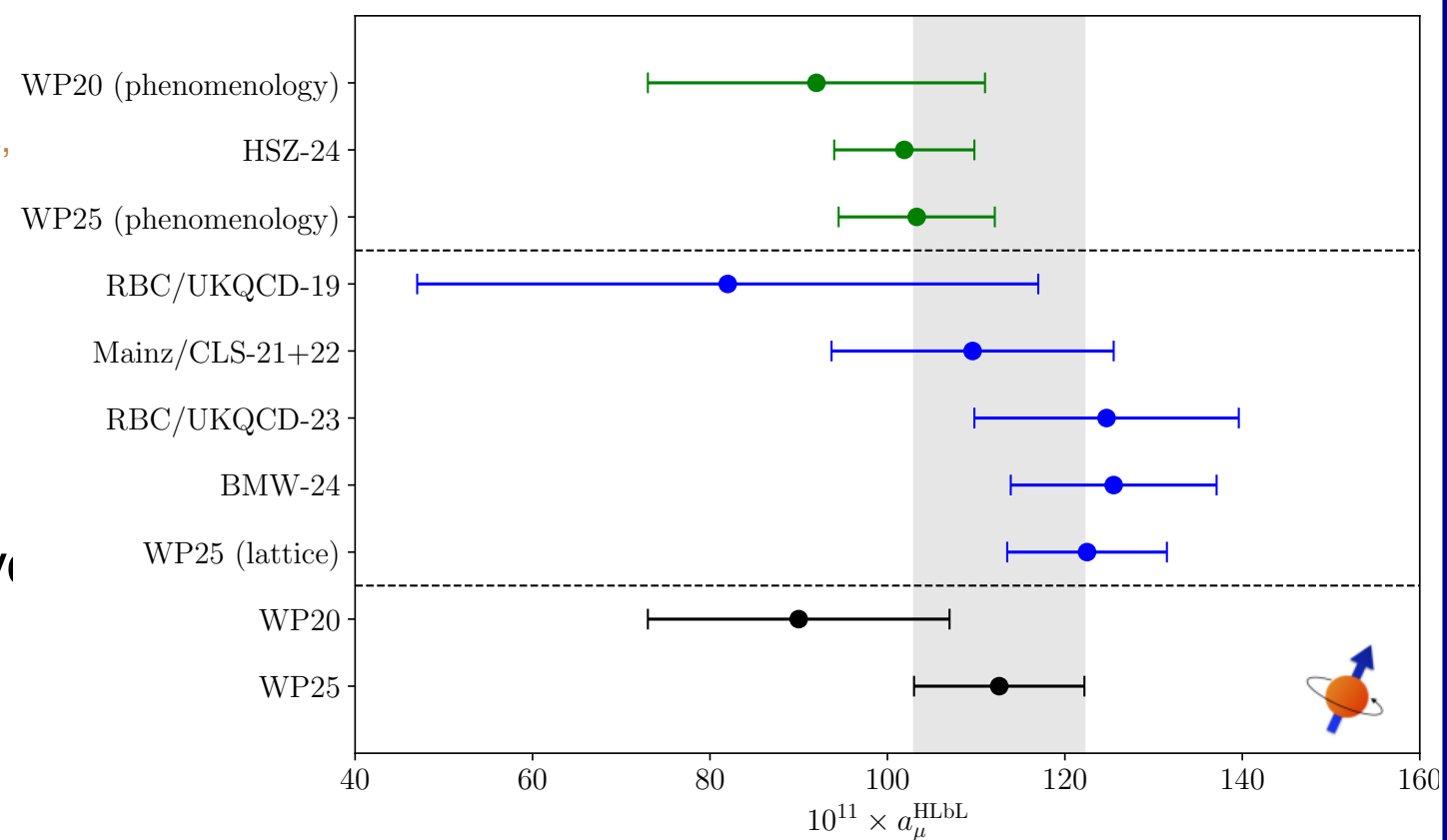
→ Phenomenology: rigorous data driven approach [Colangelo, Hoferichter, Kubis, Procura, Stoffer, ... '15-'20]

→ Lattice: three 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

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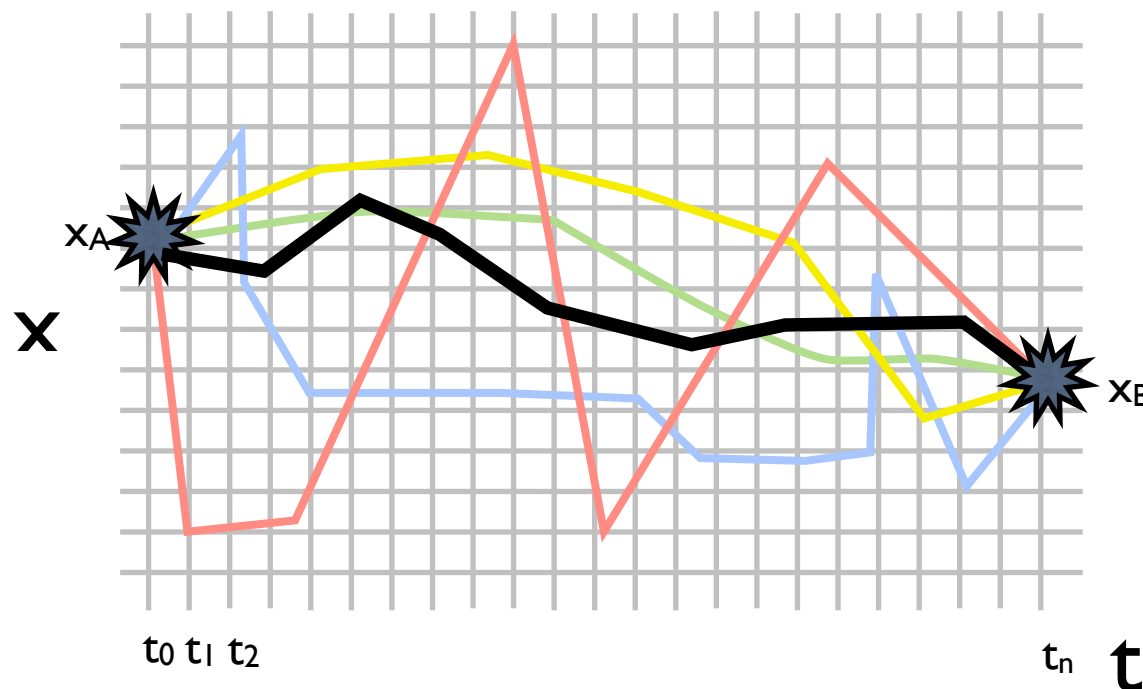
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# Lattice QCD

Numerical first-principles approach to non-perturbative QCD

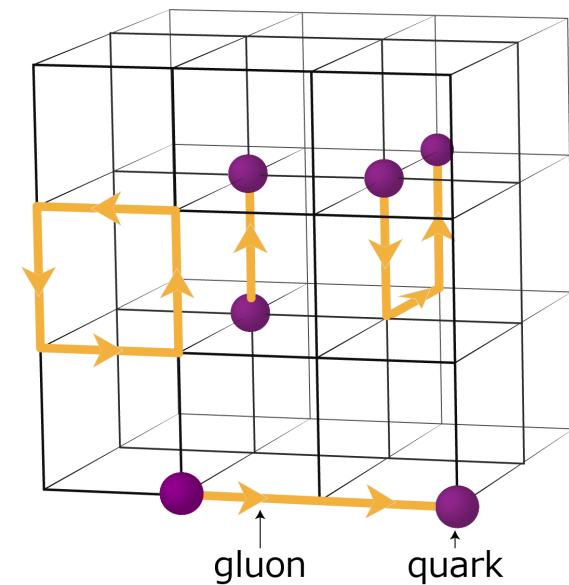
- Discretise QCD onto 4D space-time lattice
  - QCD equations  $\longleftrightarrow$  integrals over the values of quark and gluon fields on each site/link (QCD path integral)
  - $\sim 10^{12}$  variables (for state-of-the-art)
- Evaluate by importance sampling
  - Paths near classical action dominate
  - Calculate physics on a set (ensemble) of samples of the quark and gluon fields



# Lattice QCD

Numerical first-principles approach to  
non-perturbative QCD

- Euclidean space-time  $t \rightarrow i\tau$
- Finite lattice spacing  $a$
- Volume  $L^3 \times T = 64^3 \times 128$
- Boundary conditions



Approximate the QCD path integral by **Monte Carlo**

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D}A \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{O}[A, \bar{\psi}\psi] e^{-S[A, \bar{\psi}\psi]} \rightarrow \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle \simeq \frac{1}{N_{\text{conf}}} \sum_i^{N_{\text{conf}}} \mathcal{O}([U^i])$$

with field configurations  $U^i$  distributed according to  $e^{-S[U]}$

# Lattice QCD

## Workflow of a lattice QCD calculation

1 Generate field configurations via Hybrid Monte Carlo

- Leadership-class computing
- $\sim 100\text{K}$  cores or  $1000\text{GPUs}$ ,  $10\text{'s}$  of TF-years
- $O(100-1000)$  configurations, each  $\sim 10-100\text{GB}$

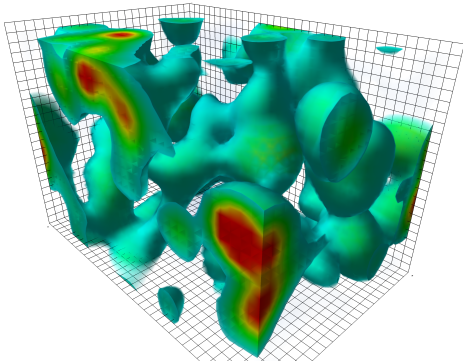


2 Compute propagators

- Large sparse matrix inversion
- $\sim \text{few } 100\text{s GPUs}$
- $10\times$  field config in size, many per config

3 Contract into correlation functions

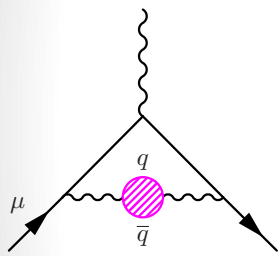
- $\sim \text{few GPUs}$
- $O(100\text{k}-1\text{M})$  copies



Hadrons are emergent phenomena  
of statistical average over  
background gluon configurations

- 1 year on supercomputer  
 $\sim 100\text{k}$  years on laptop

# **HVP from the lattice & Window observables**



# HVP from LQCD



$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q) = \int d^4x e^{iQ \cdot x} \langle J_\mu(x) J_\nu(0) \rangle = [\delta_{\mu\nu} Q^2 - Q_\mu Q_\nu] \Pi(Q^2)$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} = 4\alpha_{em}^2 \int_0^\infty dQ^2 \frac{1}{m_\mu^2} f\left(\frac{Q^2}{m_\mu^2}\right) [\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0)]$$

B. E. Lautrup et al., 1972

**FV** &  $a \neq 0$ : **A.** discrete momenta

( $Q_{\min} = 2\pi/T > m_\mu/2$ ); **B.**  $\Pi_{\mu\nu}(0) \neq 0$  in FV

contaminates  $\Pi(Q^2) \sim \Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q)/Q^2$  for  $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$  w/

very large FV effects; **C.**  $\Pi(0) \sim \ln(a)$

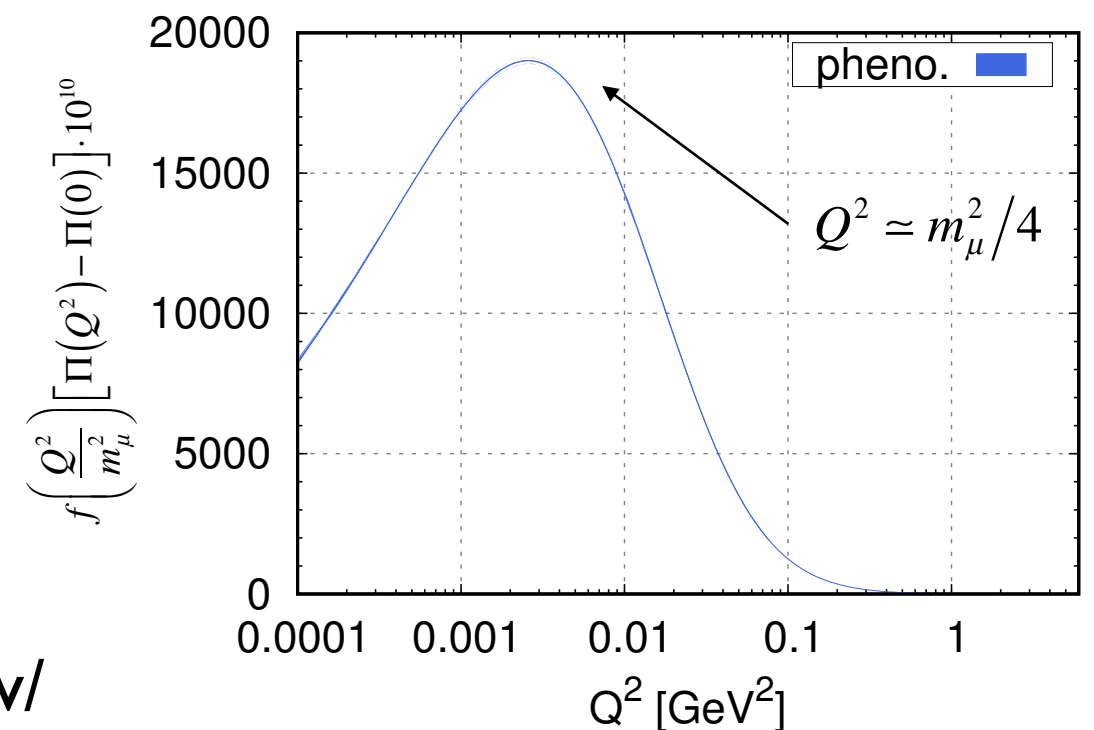


Time-Momentum Representation

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} = 4\alpha_{em}^2 \int_0^\infty dt \tilde{f}(t) V(t)$$

D. Bernecker and H. B. Meyer, 2011

$$V(t) \equiv \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i=1,2,3} \int d\vec{x} \langle J_i(\vec{x}, t) J_i(0) \rangle$$



F. Jegerlehner, "alphaQEDc17"



# Time-Momentum Representation

- **No reliance on exp. data**, except for hadronic quantities used to calibrate the simulation ( $M_\pi, M_K, M_{nucl}, \dots$ )

- Can perform an explicit **quark flavor separation** of  $a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}$

$$\sum_f \text{light-quark connected}$$

light-quark connected  
s,c-quark connected

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}(\text{ud}) \sim 90 \% \text{ of total}$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}(\text{s, c}) \sim 8 \%, 2 \% \text{ of total}$$

$$\text{disconnected}$$

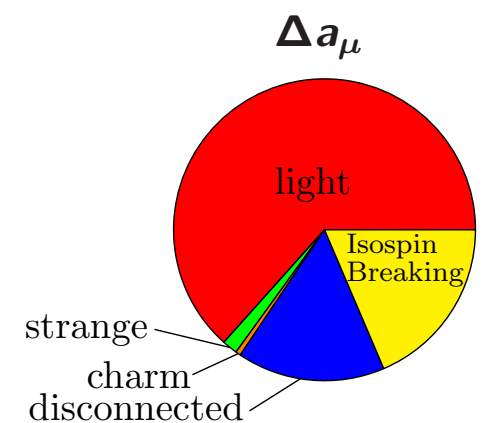
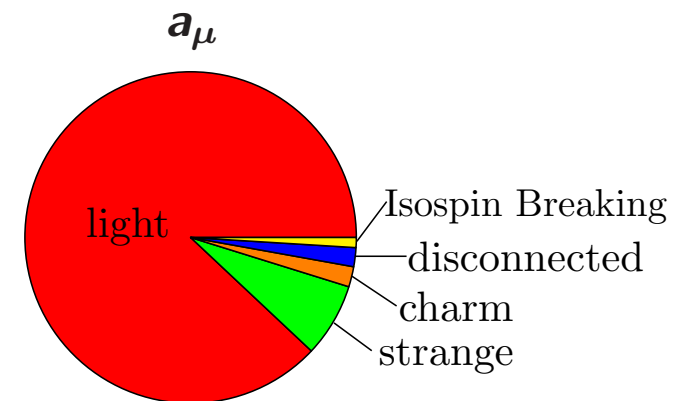
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$$a_{\mu, \text{disc}}^{\text{HVP,LO}} \sim 2 \% \text{ of total}$$

$$\text{IB } (m_u \neq m_d + \text{QED})$$

IB ( $m_u \neq m_d + \text{QED}$ )

$$\delta a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} \sim 1 \% \text{ of total}$$

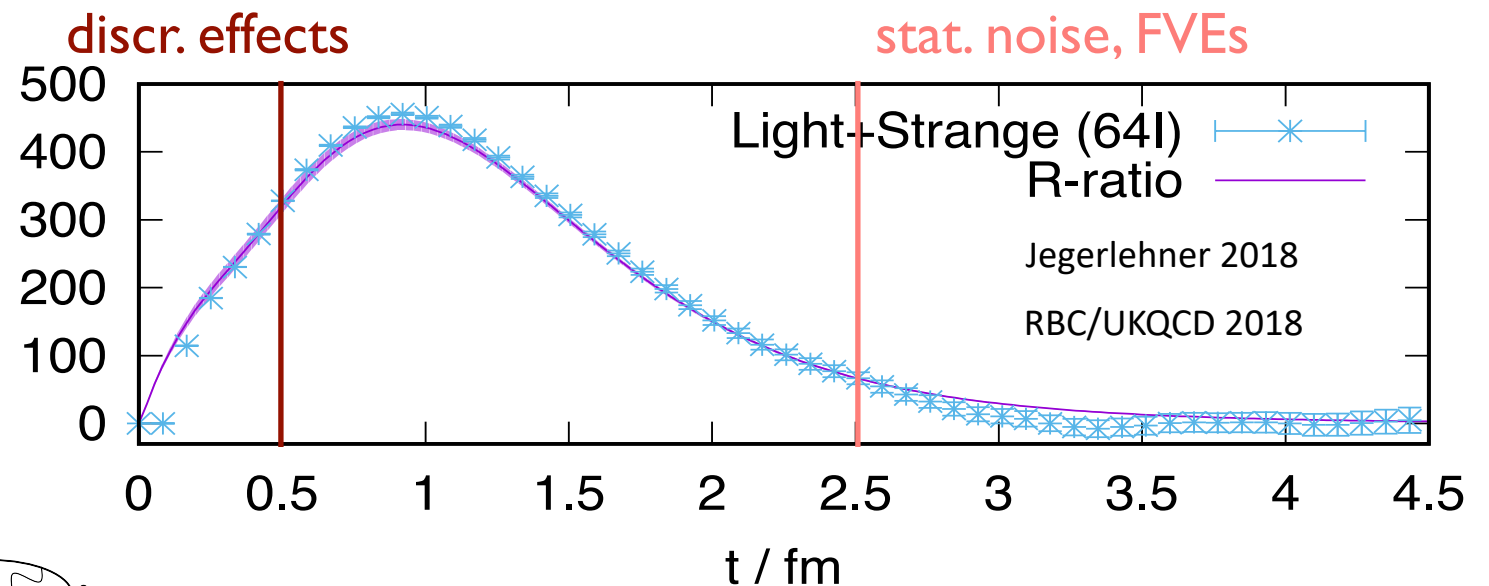


## Challenges:

- sub-percent stat. precision  
exp. growing StN ratio in  $V(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$
- correct for FVEs, control discr. effects  
(scale setting and continuum extrap.)
- quark-disconn. diagrams  
control stat. & stochastic noise
- isospin-breaking:  $m_u \neq m_d, \alpha_{em} \neq 0$

$$\text{quark-disconn. diagrams}$$

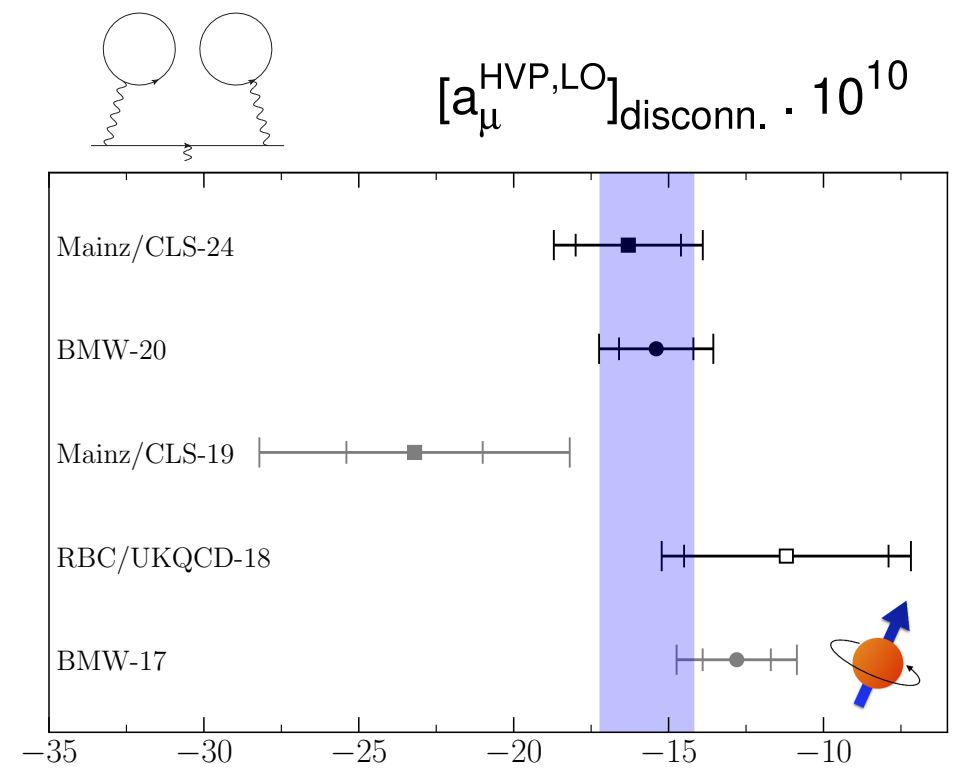
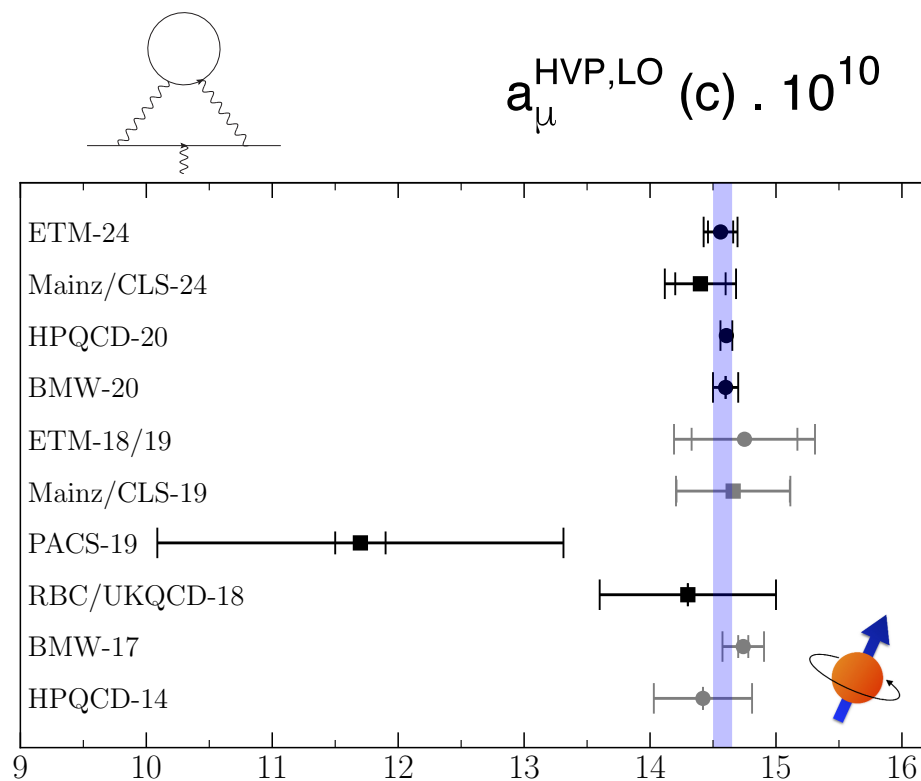
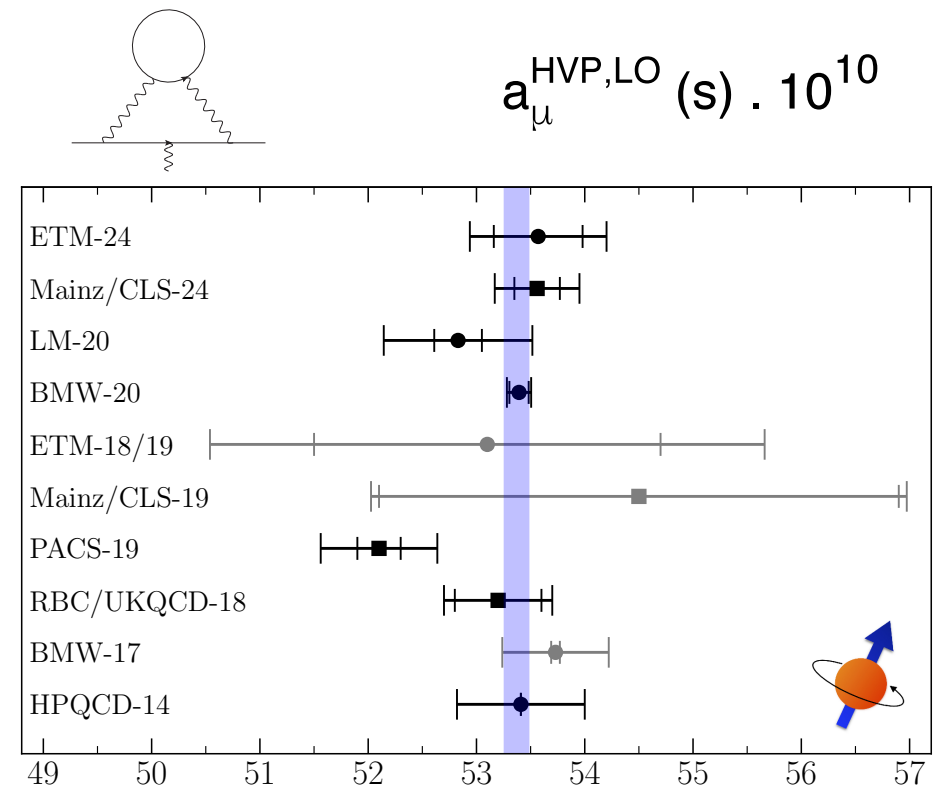
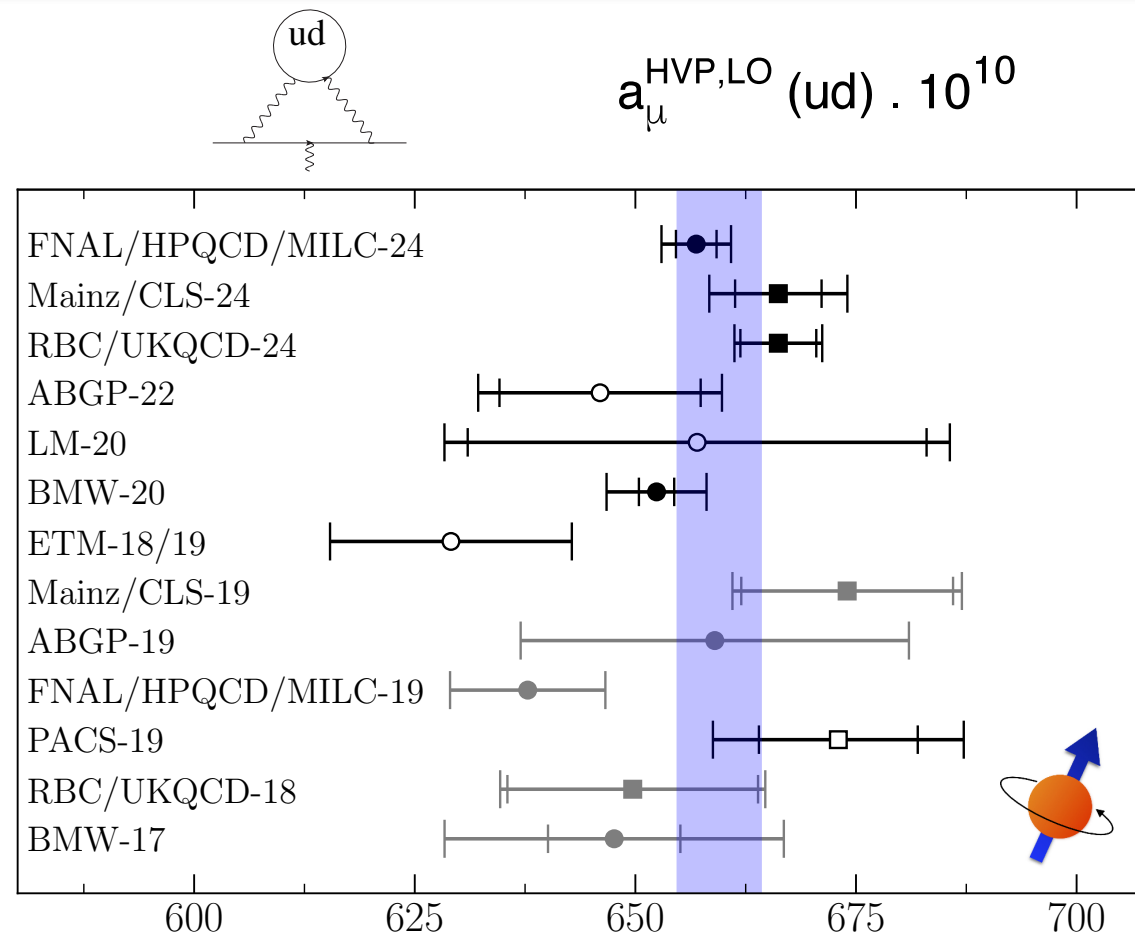
$$\text{isospin-breaking: } m_u \neq m_d, \alpha_{em} \neq 0$$





# Results for each contribution

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# Windows “on the g-2 mystery”

Restrict integration over Euclidean time to sub-intervals

→ reduce/enhance sensitivity to systematic effects

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

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{SD}}(f; t_0, \Delta) \equiv 4\alpha_{em}^2 \int_0^{\infty} dt \tilde{f}(t) V^f(t) \left[ 1 - \Theta(t, t_0, \Delta) \right]$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{W}}(f; t_0, t_1, \Delta) \equiv 4\alpha_{em}^2 \int_0^{\infty} dt \tilde{f}(t) V^f(t) \left[ \Theta(t, t_0, \Delta) - \Theta(t, t_1, \Delta) \right]$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{LD}}(f; t_1, \Delta) \equiv 4\alpha_{em}^2 \int_0^{\infty} dt \tilde{f}(t) V^f(t) \Theta(t, t_1, \Delta)$$

$$\Theta(t, t', \Delta) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-2(t-t')/\Delta}}$$

“Standard” choice:

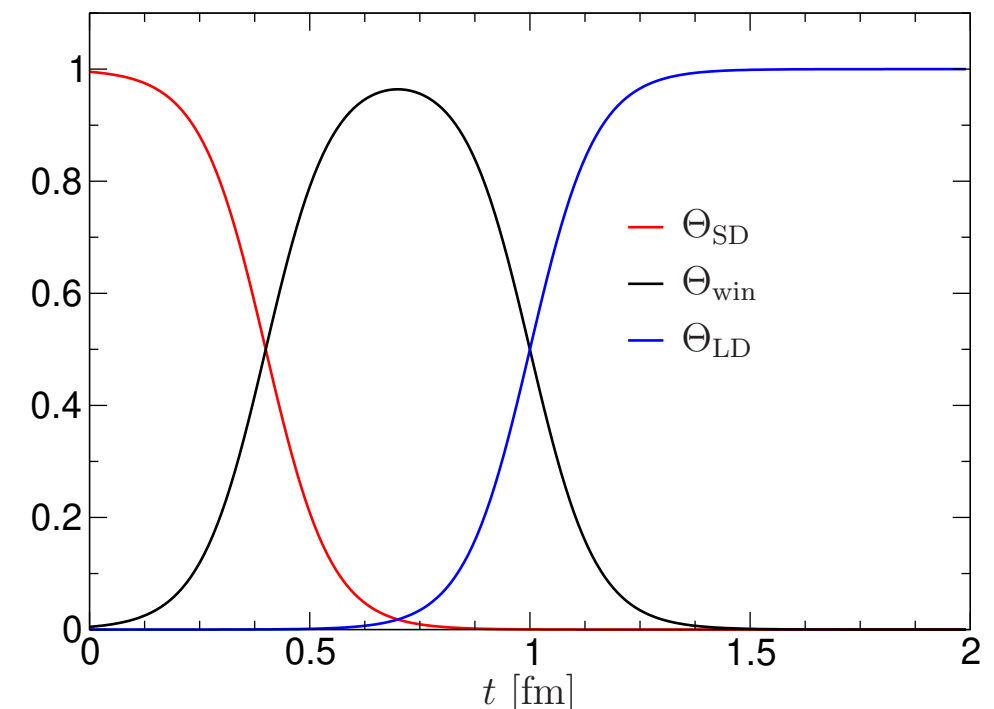
$$t_0 = 0.4 \text{ fm} \quad t_1 = 1.0 \text{ fm}$$

$$\Delta = 0.15 \text{ fm}$$

RBC/UKQCD 2018

## Intermediate window

- Reduced FVEs
- Much better StN ratio
- Precision test of different lattice calculations
- Commensurate uncertainties compared to dispersive evaluations



# Comparison with $R$ -ratio

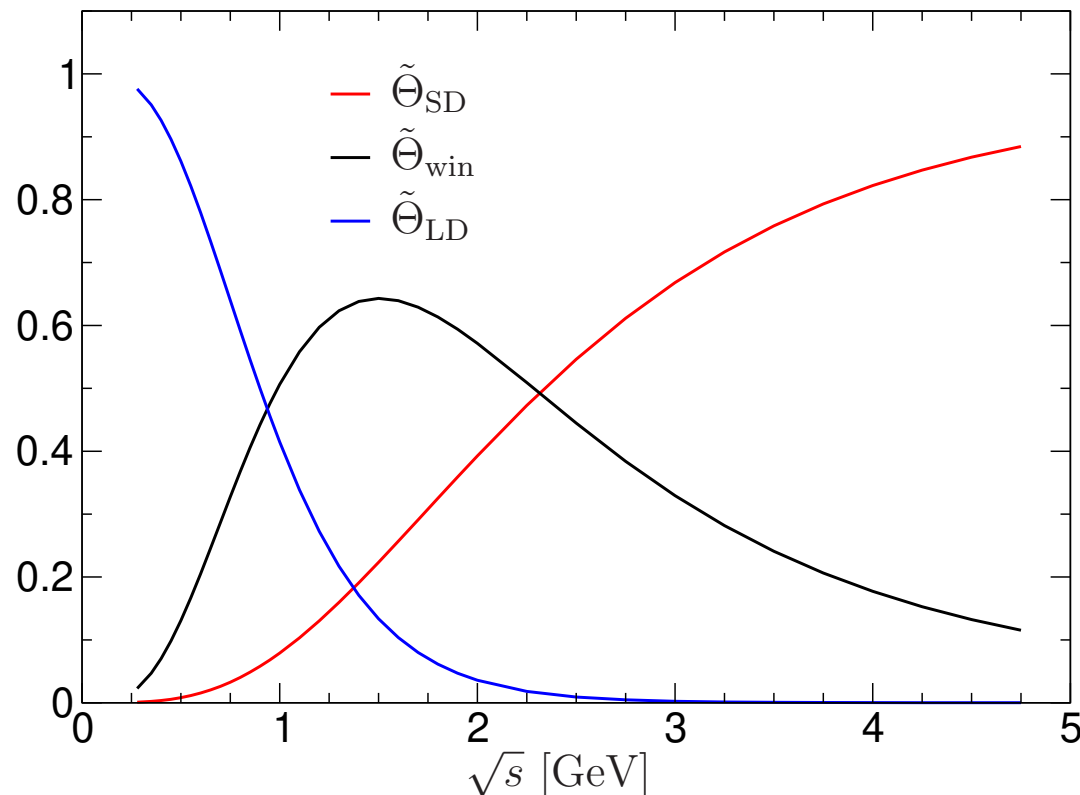
$$V(t) = \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \int_{M_{\pi^0}}^{\infty} d(\sqrt{s}) R(s) s e^{-\sqrt{s}t}$$

$$R(s) = \frac{3s}{4\pi\alpha_{em}^2} \sigma(s, e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})$$

Insert  $V(t)$  into the expression for TMR

$$a_{\mu,win}^{\text{HVP,LO}} = 4\alpha_{em}^2 \int_{M_{\pi^0}}^{\infty} d(\sqrt{s}) R(s) \frac{1}{12\pi^2} s \int_0^{\infty} dt \tilde{f}(t) \Theta_{win}(t) e^{-\sqrt{s}t}$$

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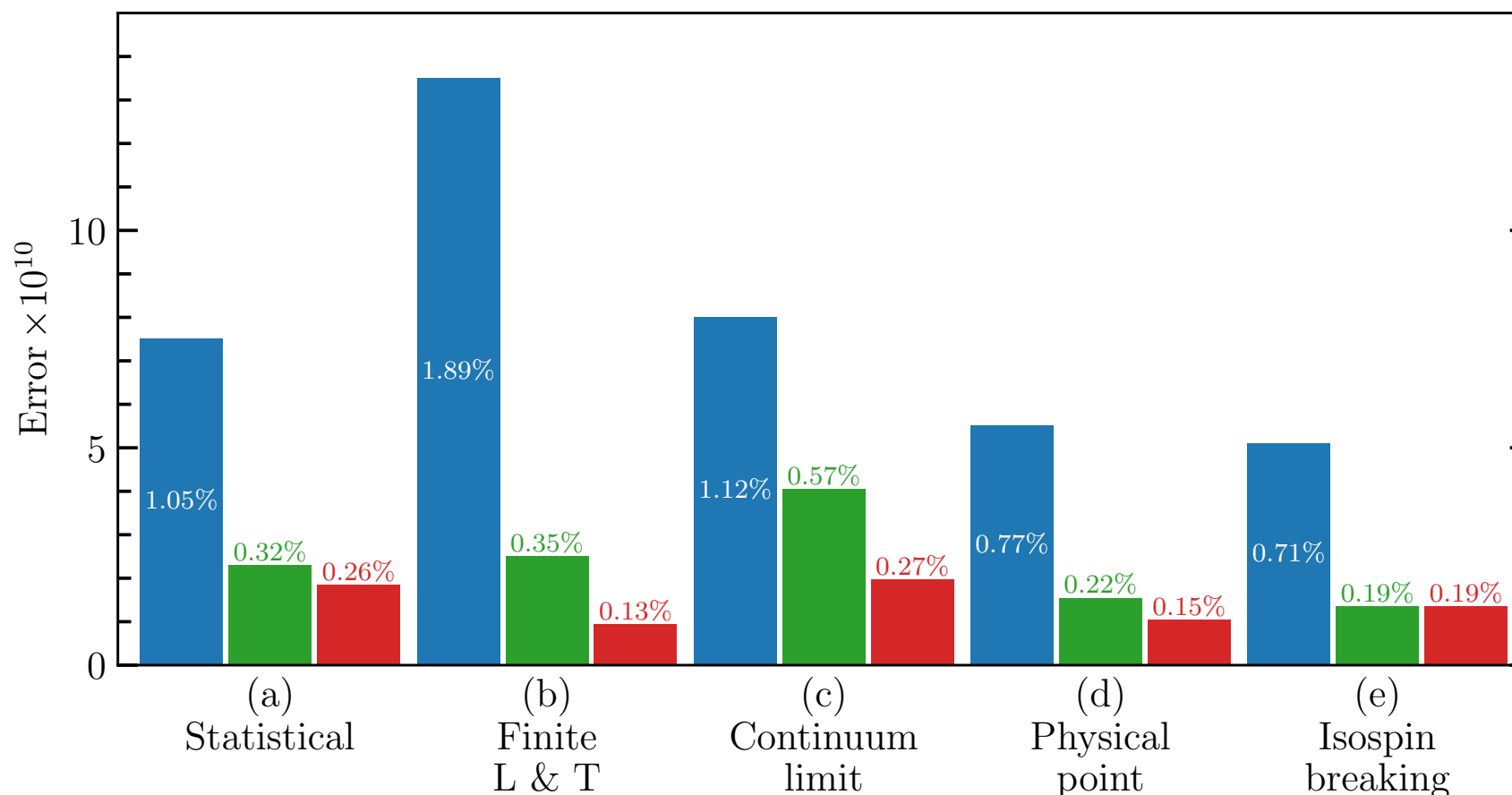
	$a_{\text{SD}}^{\text{HVP}}$	$a_{\text{int}}^{\text{HVP}}$	$a_{\text{LD}}^{\text{HVP}}$	$a_{\text{total}}^{\text{HVP}}$
All channels	68.4(5) [9.9%]	229.4(1.4) [33.1%]	395.1(2.4) [57.0%]	693.0(3.9) [100%]
$2\pi$ below 1.0 GeV	13.7(1) [2.8%]	138.3(1.2) [28.0%]	342.3(2.3) [69.2%]	494.3(3.6) [100%]
$3\pi$ below 1.8 GeV	2.5(1) [5.5%]	18.5(4) [39.9%]	25.3(6) [54.6%]	46.4(1.0) [100%]
White Paper [1]	–	–	–	693.1(4.0)
RBC/UKQCD [24]	–	231.9(1.5)	–	715.4(18.7)
BMWc [36]	–	236.7(1.4)	–	707.5(5.5)
BMWc/KNT [7, 36]	–	229.7(1.3)	–	–
Mainz/CLS [99]	–	237.30(1.46)	–	–
ETMC [100]	69.33(29)	235.0(1.1)	–	–

**The BMW/DMZ-24**  
**calculation**  
**including an update**

# BMW/DMZ-24 calculation

## High precision calculation of the hadronic vacuum polarisation contribution to the muon anomaly

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- New lattice spacing  $a = 0.048$  fm (same cost as all of BMWc '20) → divides  $a^2$  effects by 2
- Over 30,000 gauge configurations, 10's of millions of measurements

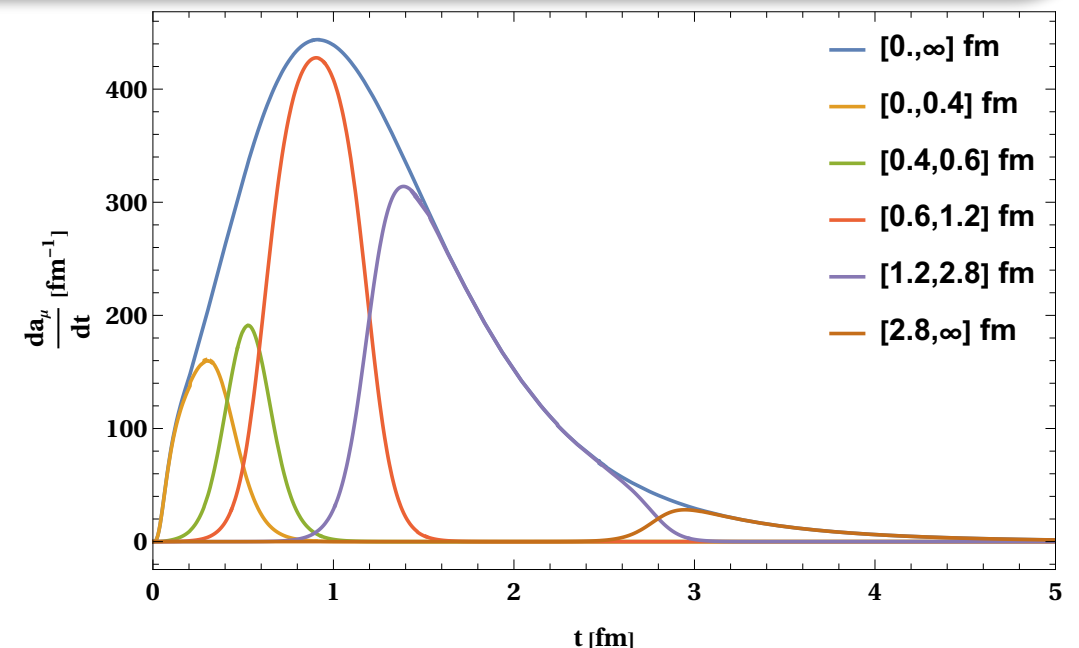
# Strategy for improvement

- New simulations on finer lattice spacing:  
 $128^3 \times 192$  w/  $a = 0.048$  fm
- Completely revamped analysis vs BMWc '20
- Break up analysis into optimized set of windows: 0–0.4, 0.4–0.6, 0.6–1.2, 1.2–2.8 fm
- Combined fit to  $a_{\mu, \text{win}, 04-06}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ ,  $a_{\mu, \text{win}, 06-12}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$ ,  $a_{\mu, \text{win}, 12-28}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$
- Continuum extrapolate  $l = 0$  instead of disconnected

→ reduces statistical uncertainty  
→ reduces  $a \rightarrow 0$  error

- Data-driven evaluation of tail:  $a_{\mu, 28-\infty}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$  (proposed and used w/ 1 fm  $\rightarrow \infty$  [RBC/UKQCD '18])

→ reduces FV effect  $18.5(2.5) \rightarrow 9.3(9)$ , i.e. cv  $\div 2$  & err  $\div 3$   
→ reduces LD noise  
→ reduces LD taste breaking and  $a \rightarrow 0$  error



[plot made w/ KNT '18 data set]

Fully blinded analysis:

- Independent blinding by factor  $\pm 3\%$  on correlator for each window and component, including data-driven tail
- $\gtrsim 2$  independent analyses of all blinded  $a_{\mu}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$  contributions (and of other aspects)
- Once agreement reached, partial unblinding to allow sum of contributions
- Full unblinding on July 12, 2024, w/ automatic script that made appropriate changes in all figures and text
- Paper submitted to arXiv on July 15, 2024



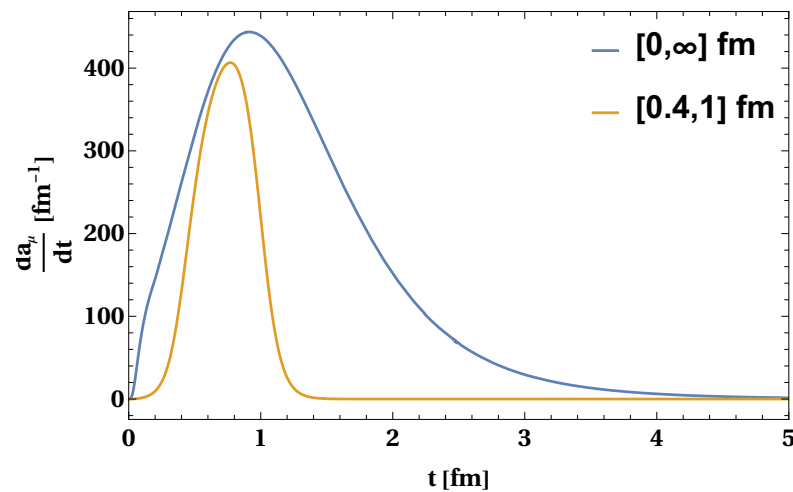
# July 12, 2024: unblinding

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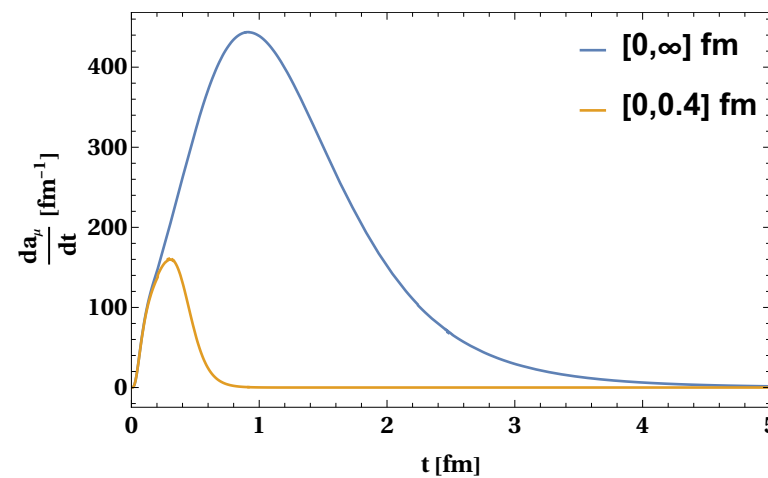


# Benchmarking of lattice calculations: windows

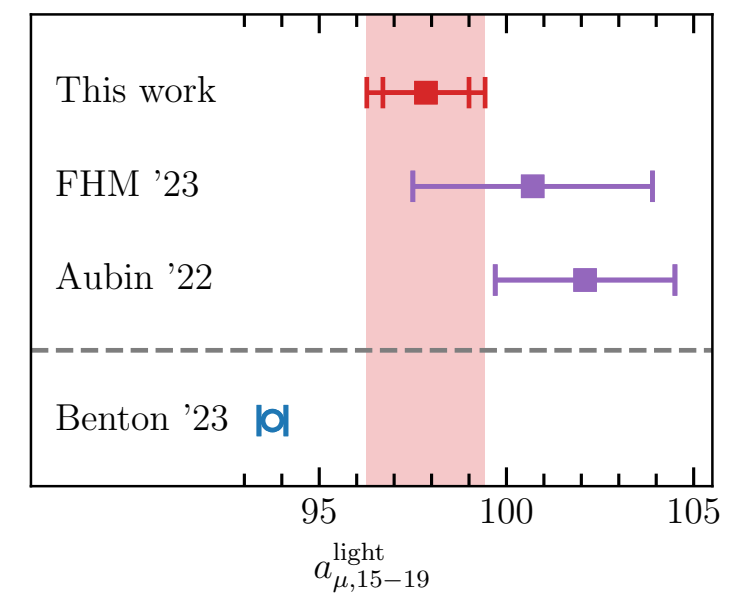
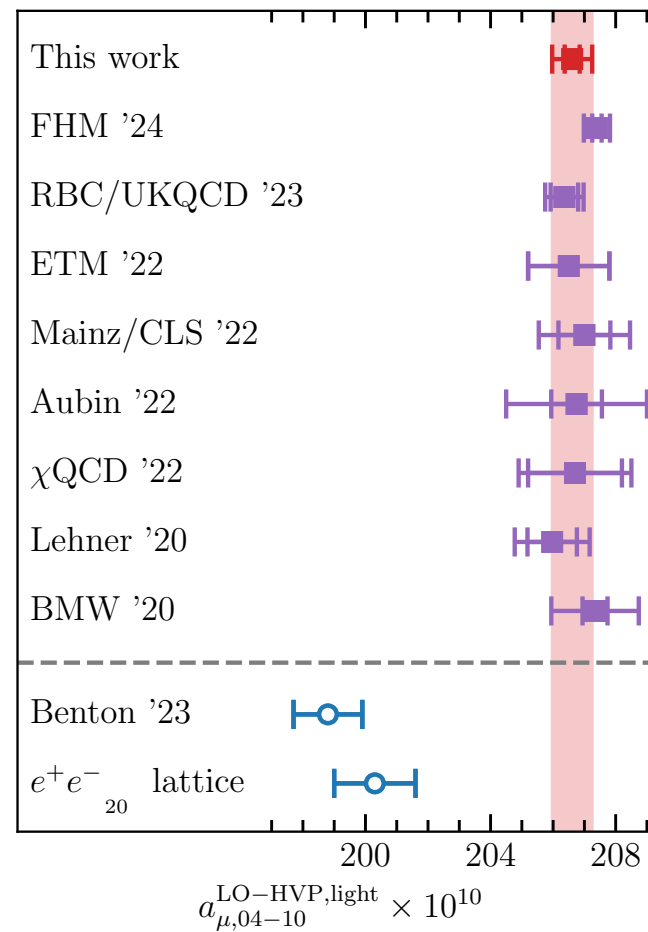
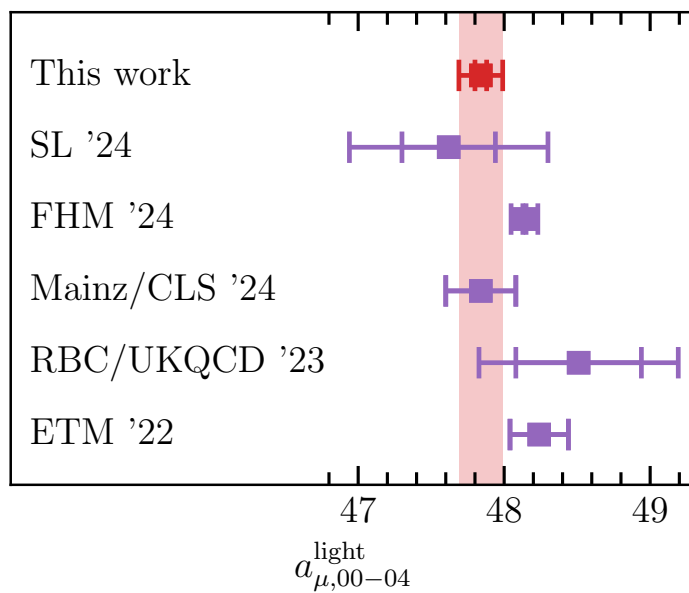
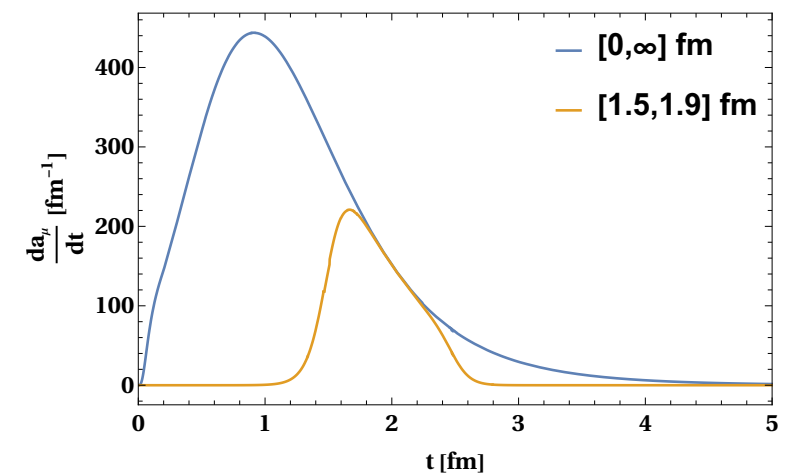
$0 \rightarrow 0.4$  fm



$0.4 \rightarrow 1$  fm

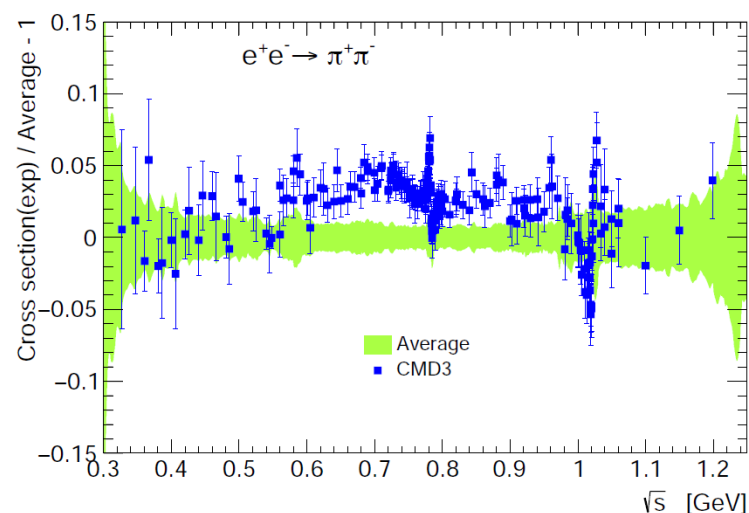
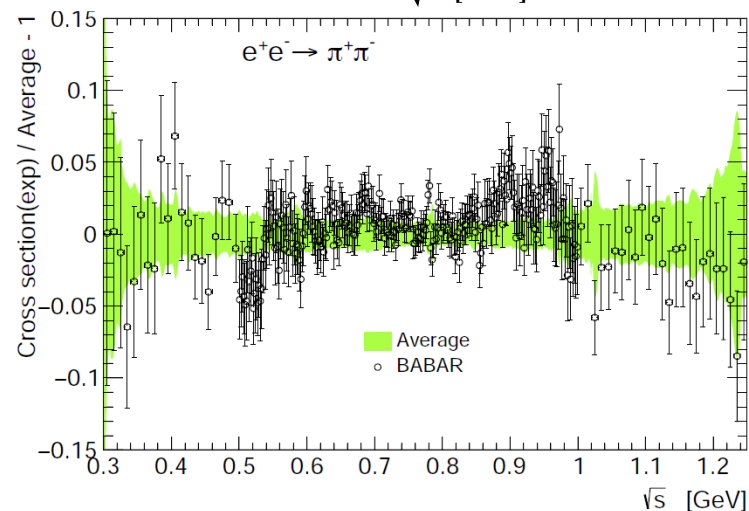
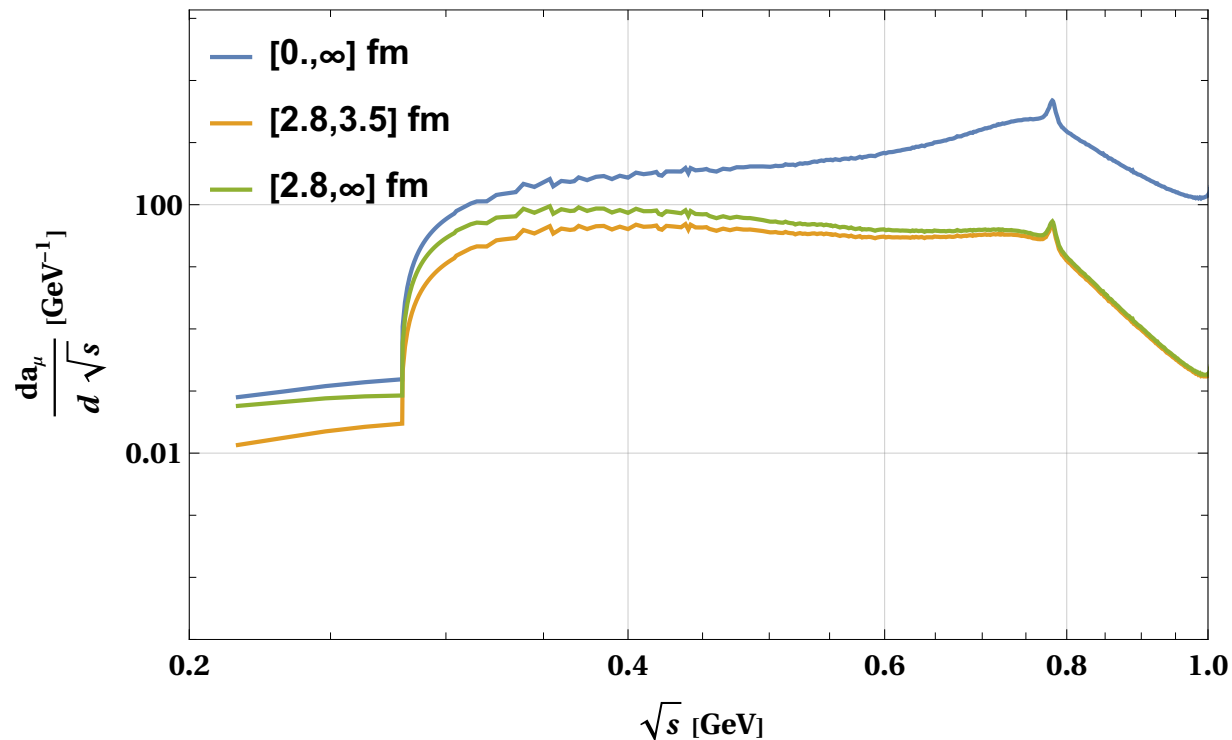


$1.5 \rightarrow 1.9$  fm



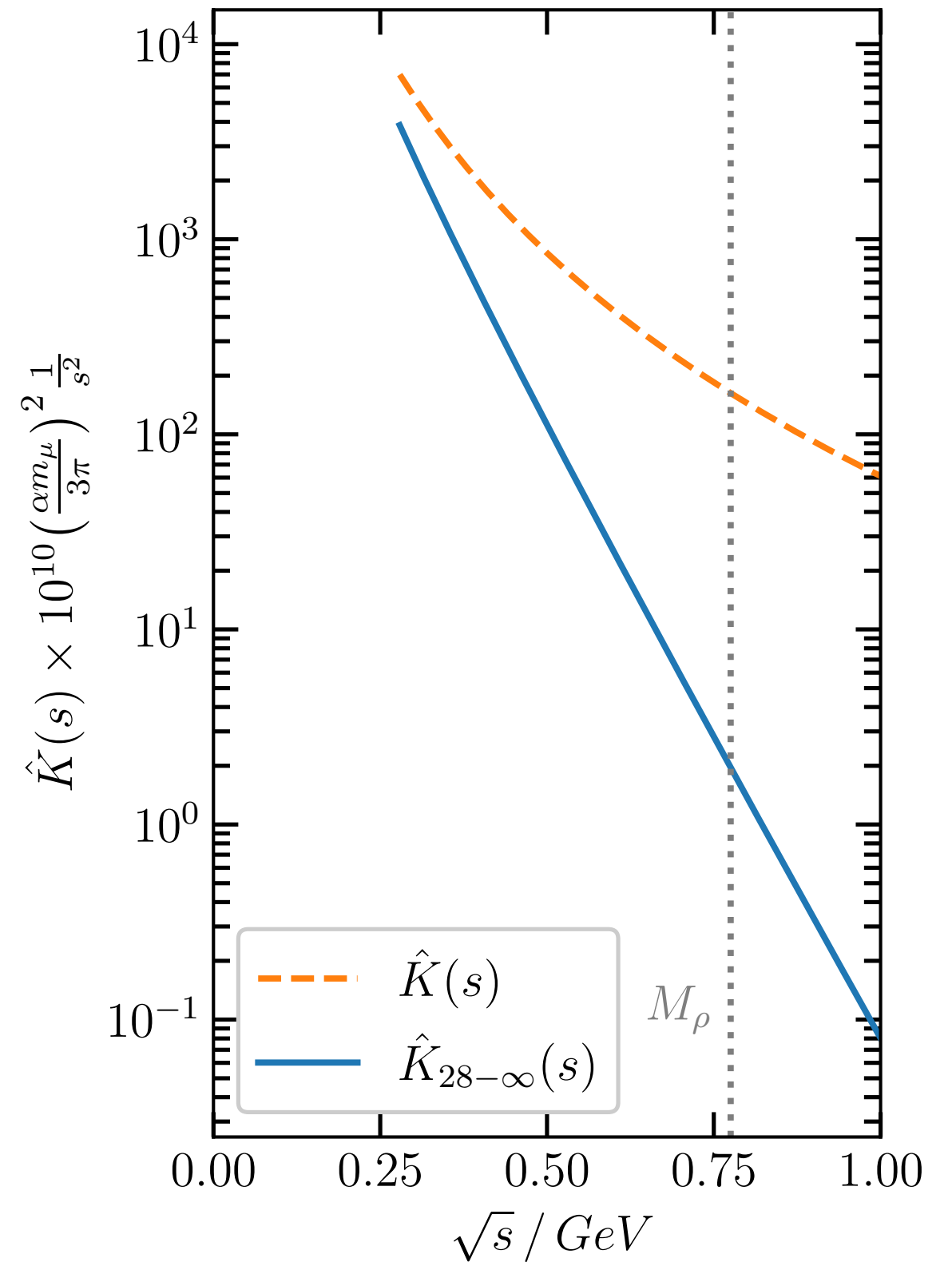
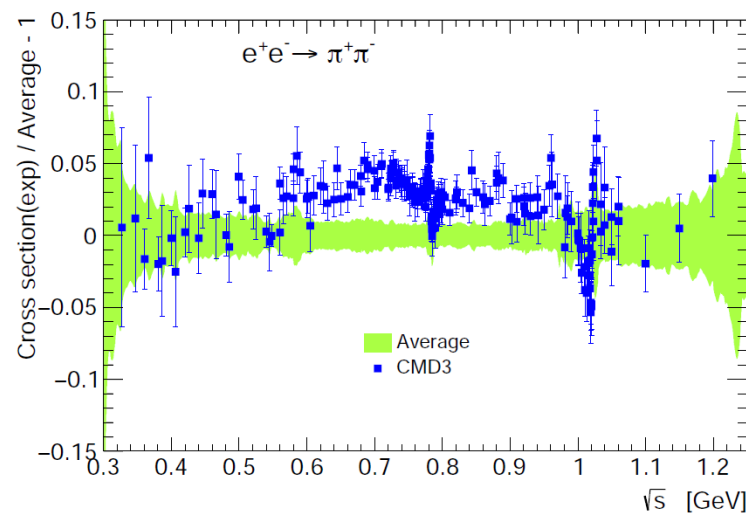
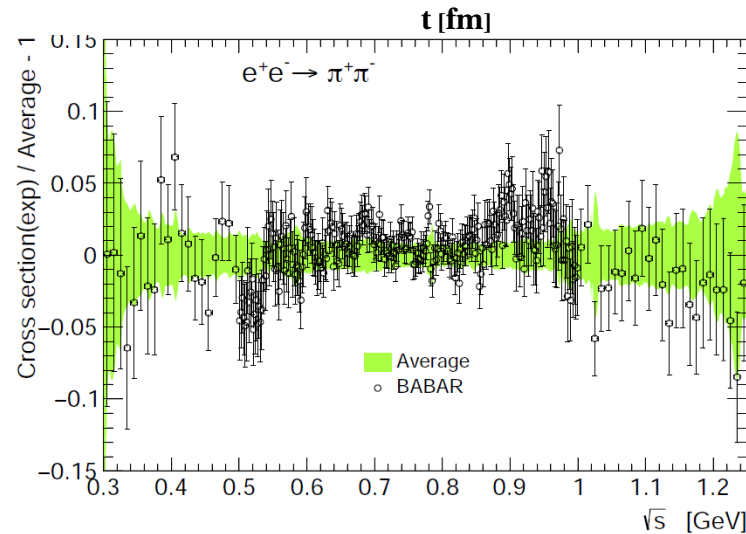
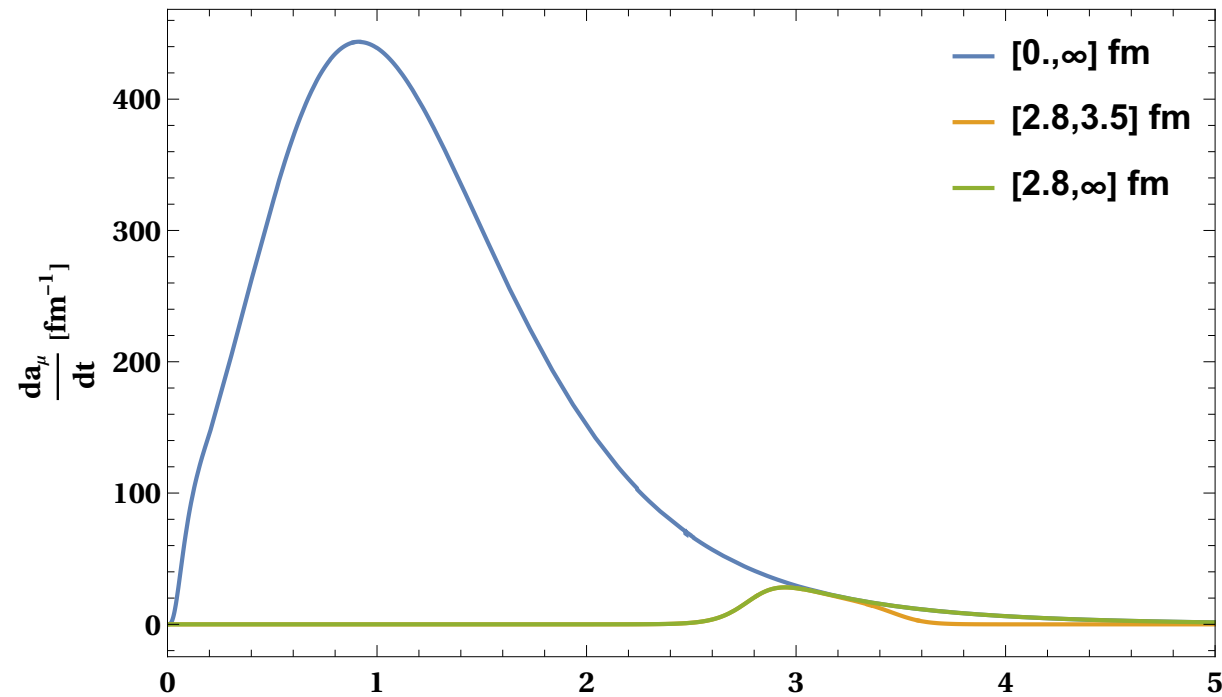


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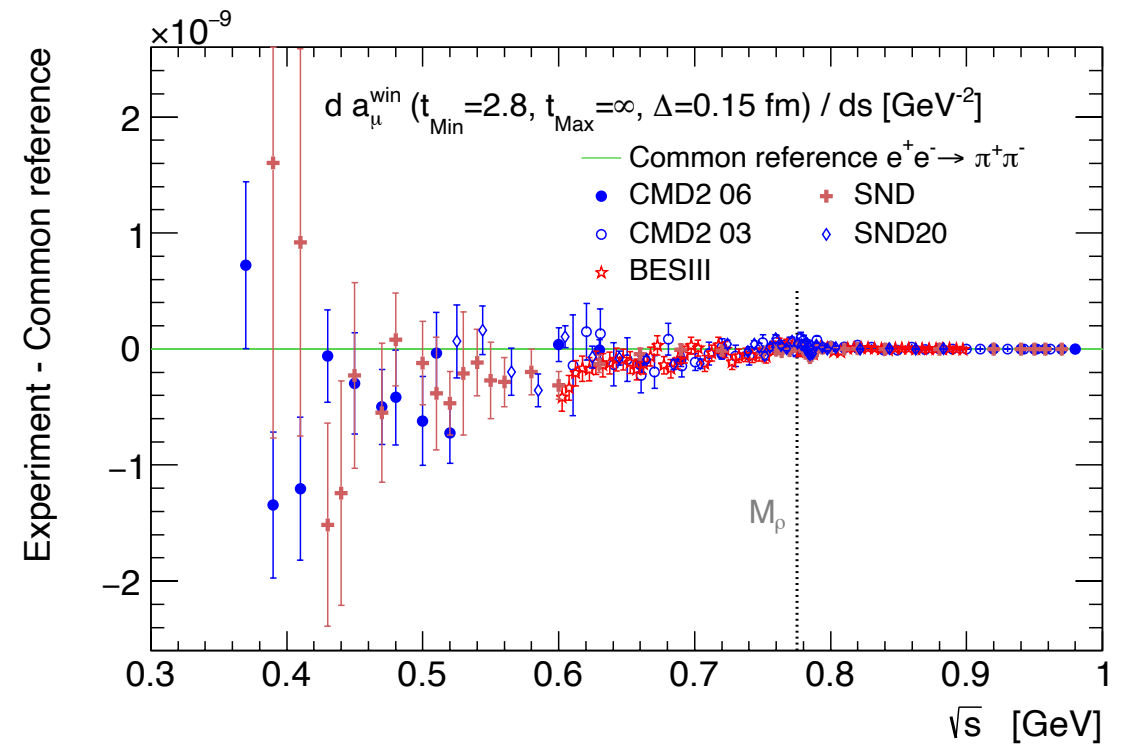
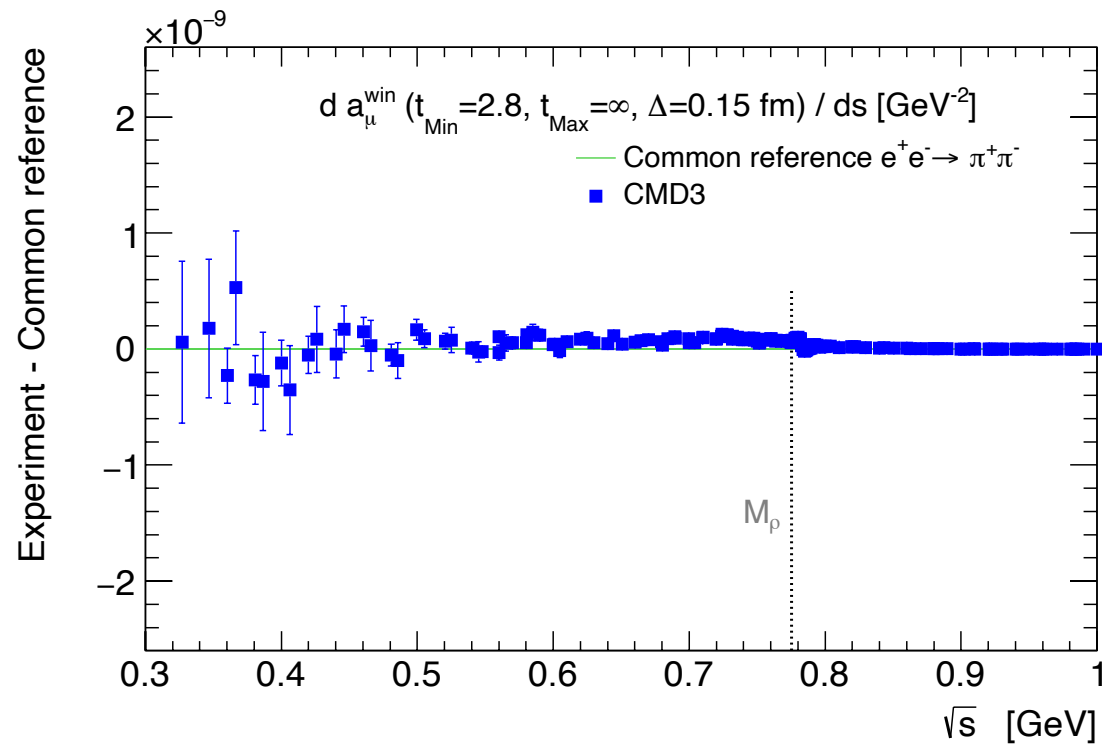
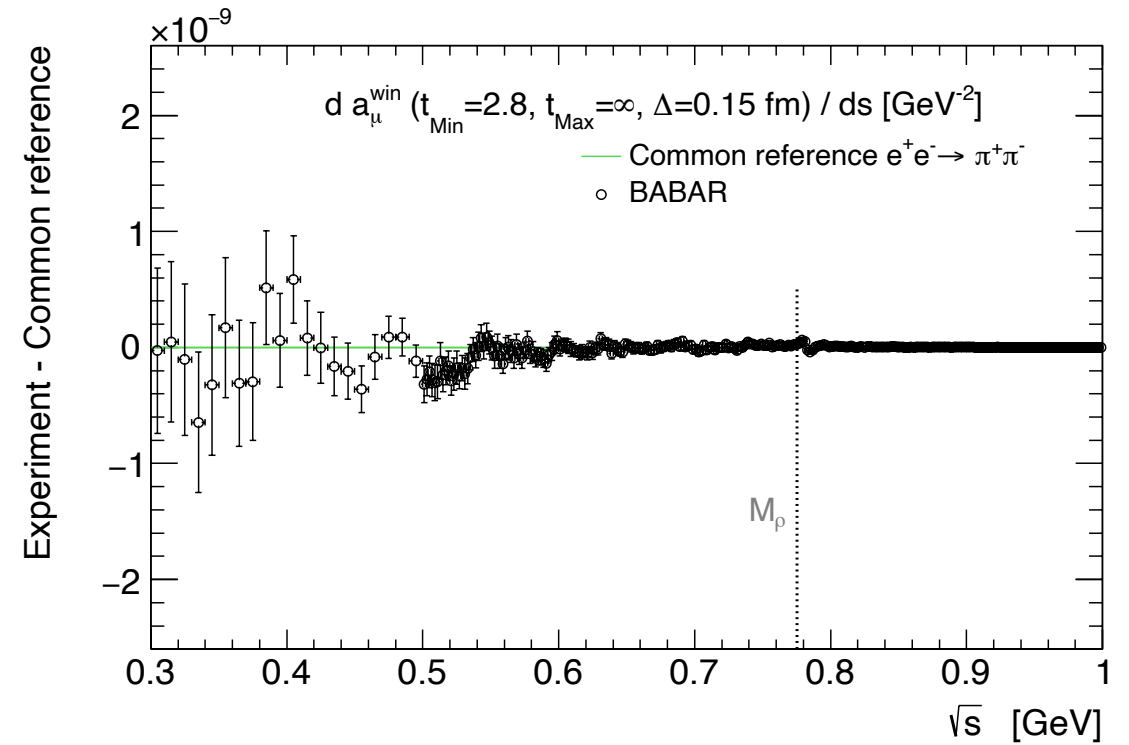
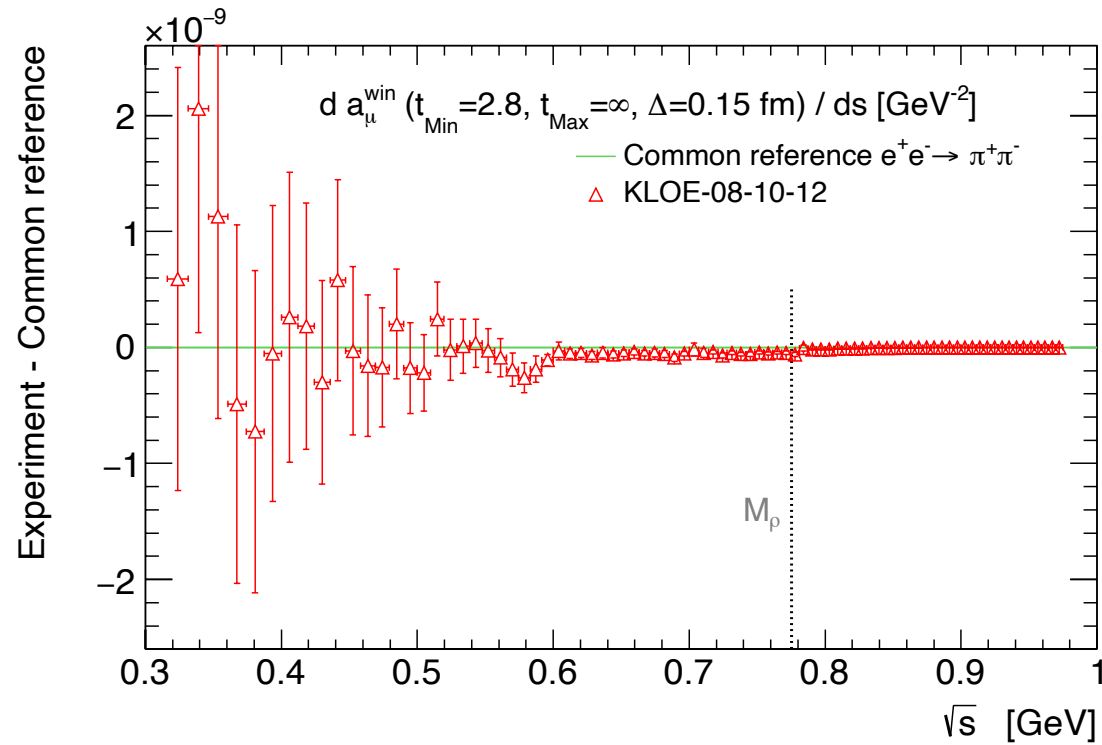


- Lattice computation up to  $t = 2.8$  fm :  $> 95\%$  of final result for  $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$
- Tail  $a_{\mu,28-\infty}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$  computed using  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$  for  $t > 2.8$  fm :  $\lesssim 5\%$  of final result for  $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$
- Tail dominated by cross section below  $\rho$  peak:  
 $\sim 75\%$  for  $\sqrt{s} \leq 0.63$  GeV
- All measurements agree to within  $1.4\sigma$  for  $\sqrt{s} \lesssim 0.55$  GeV. Tensions that plague  $a_\mu^{\text{LO-HVP}}$  &  $a_{\mu,\text{win}}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$  not present here
- Partial tail  $a_{\mu,28-35}^{\text{LO-HVP}}$  for comparison with lattice; dominated by cross section below  $\rho$  peak:  
 $\sim 70\%$  for  $\sqrt{s} \leq 0.63$  GeV

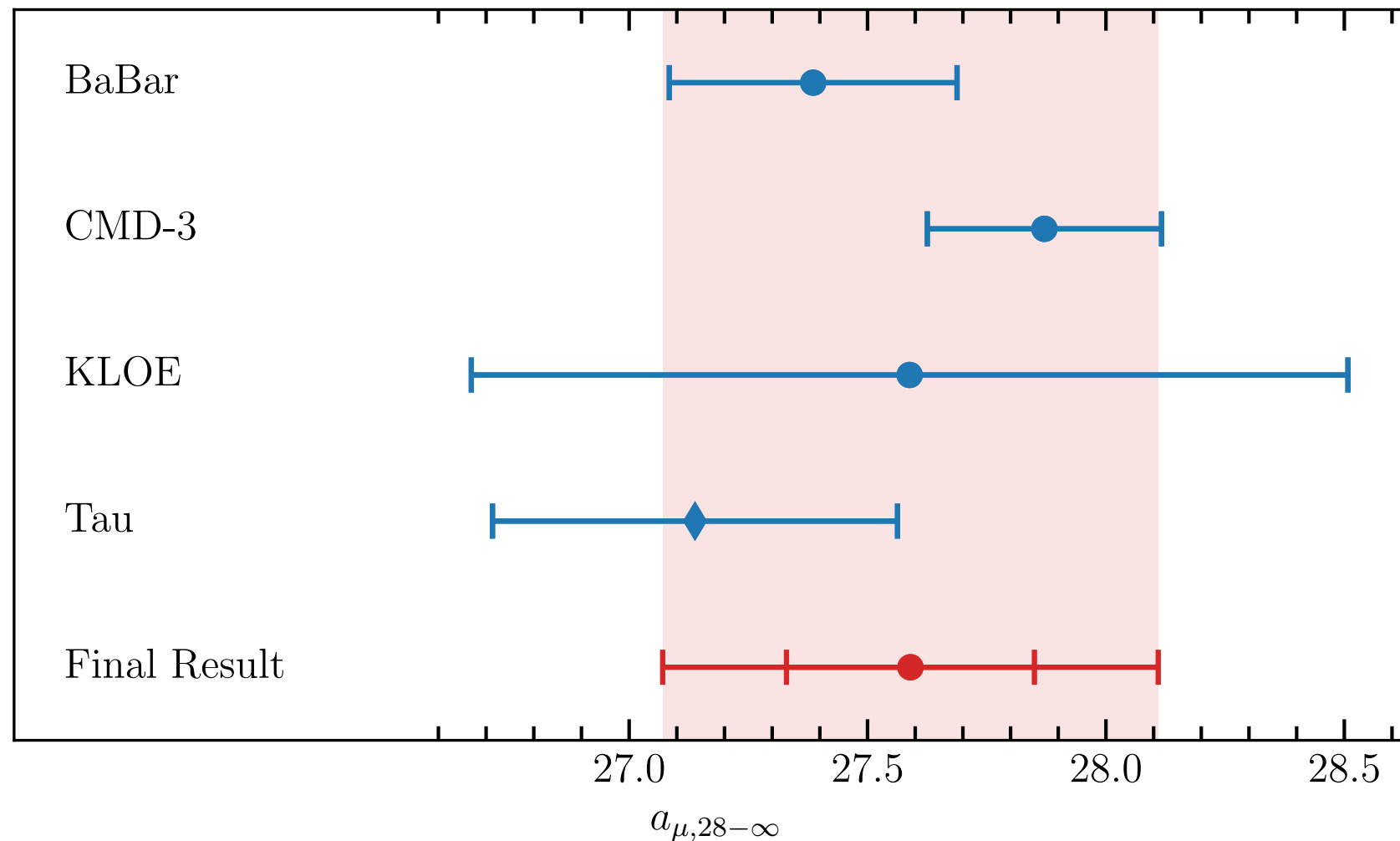
# Tail contribution



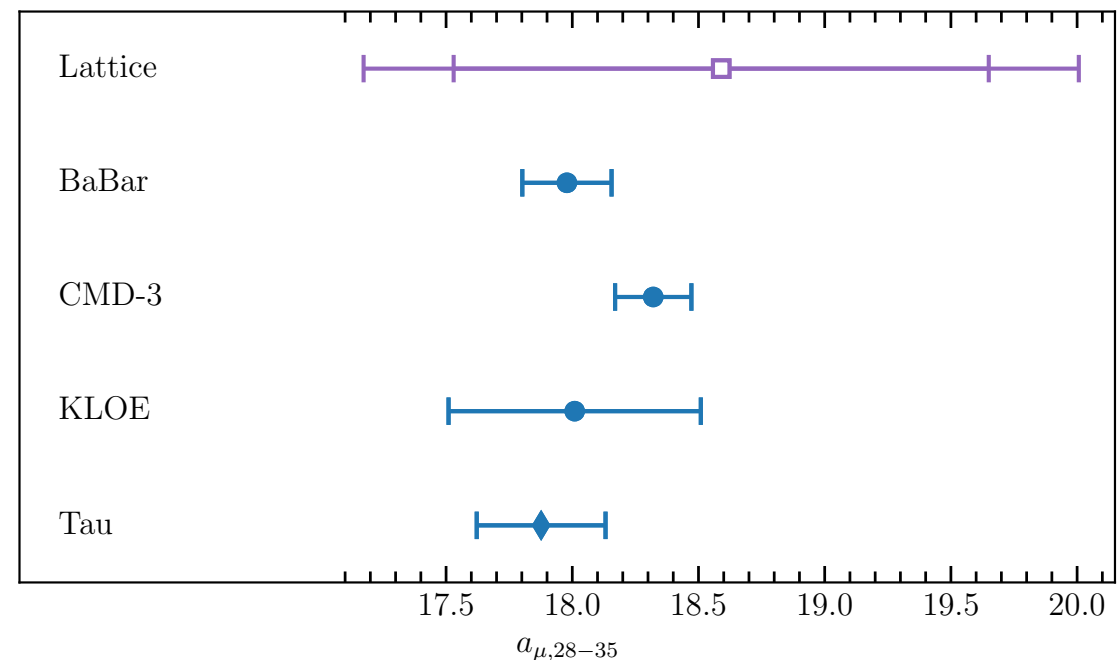
# Cross section and the tail



# Data-driven tail



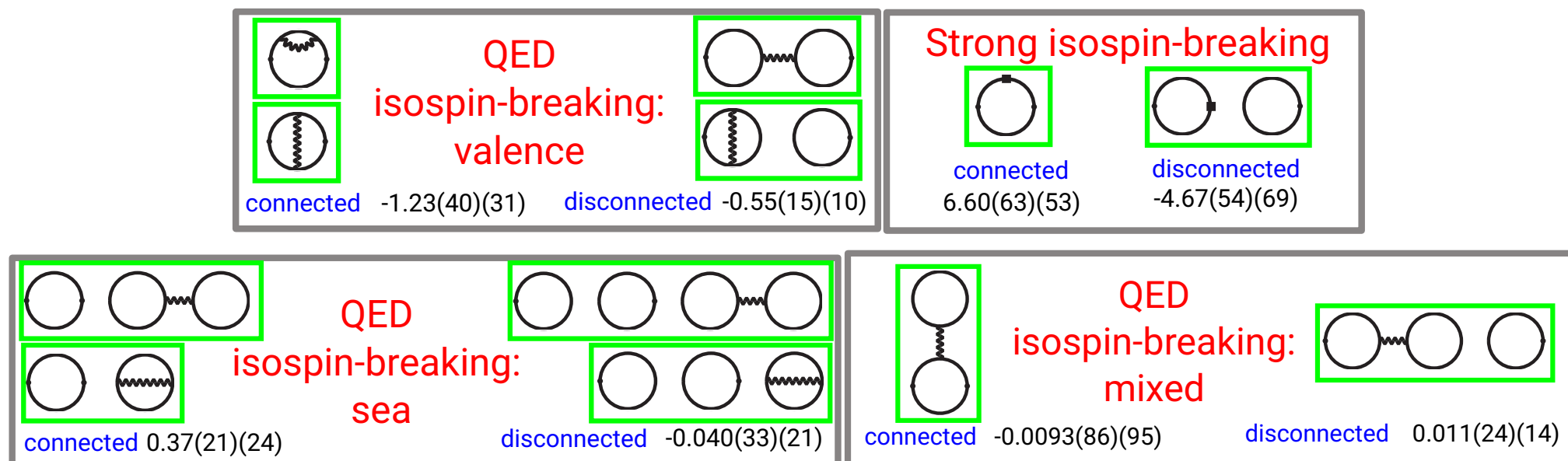
- Only  $\lesssim 5\%$  of final result for  $a_{\mu}$
- Contributes  $\sim 65\%$  to total squared uncertainty improvement:  $5.5 \rightarrow 3.3$
- Even if the error was arbitrarily doubled, the effect on total uncertainty would be insignificant



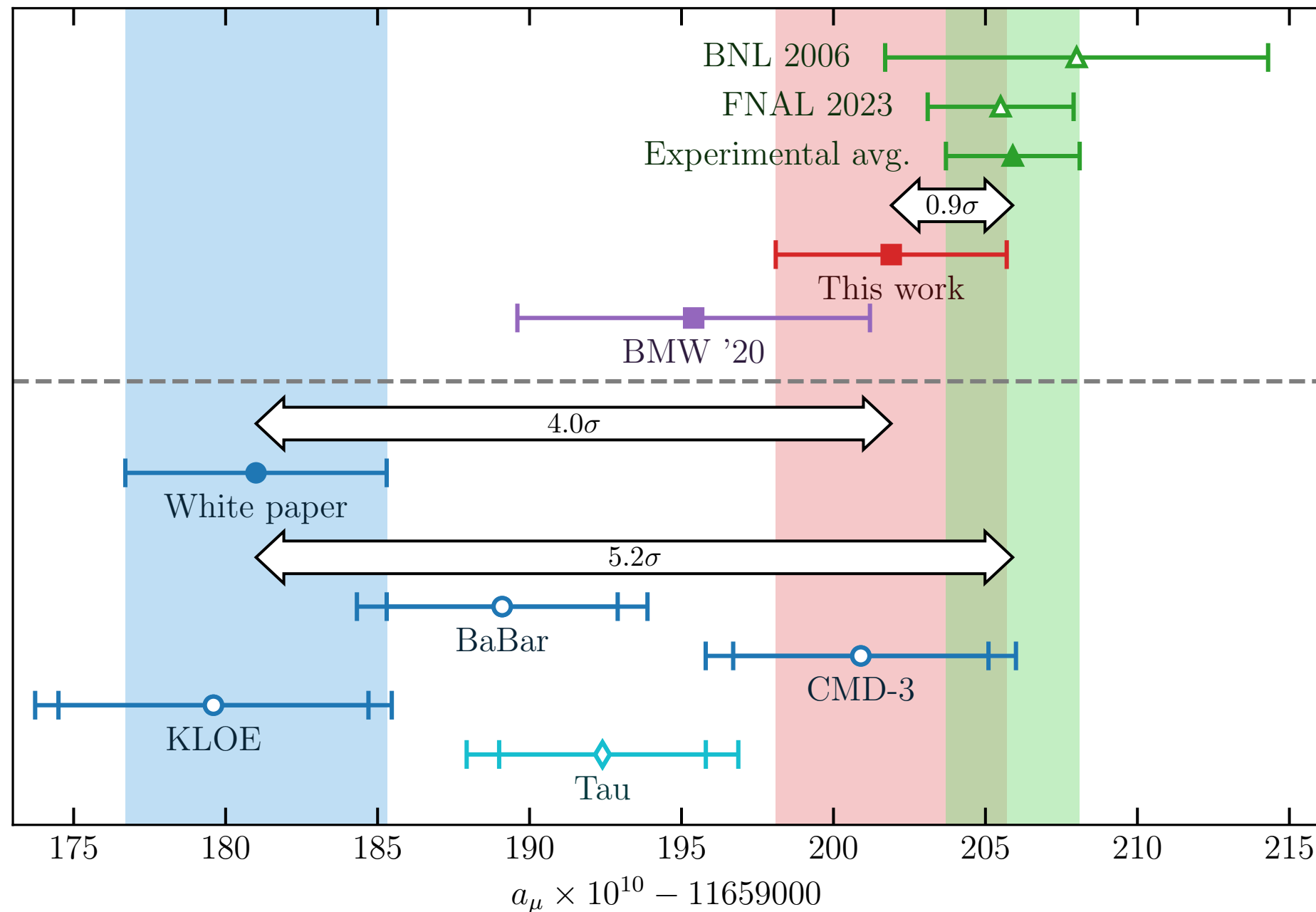
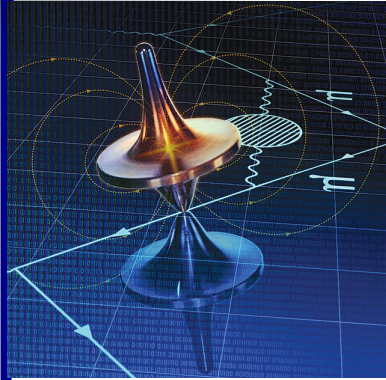
# Summary of all contributions [BMW/DMZ-24]

light and disconnected 00 – 28	618.6(1.9)(2.3)[3.0]	this work, Equation (34)
strange 00 – 28	53.19(13)(16)[21]	this work, Equation (37)
charm 00 – 28	14.64(24)(28)[37]	this work, Equation (40)
light qed	−1.57(42)(35)	[5], Table 15 corrected in Equation (45)
light sib	6.60(63)(53)	[5], Table 15
disconnected qed	−0.58(14)(10)	[5], Table 15
disconnected sib	−4.67(54)(69)	[5], Table 15
disconnected charm	0.0(1)	[31], Section 4 in Supp. Mat.
strange qed	−0.0136(86)(76)	[5], Table 15
charm qed	0.0182(36)	[43]
bottom	0.271(37)	[44]
tail from data-driven 28 – ∞	27.59(17)(9)[26]	this work, Equation (50)
total	714.1(2.2)(2.5)[3.3]	

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{LO-HVP}} \times 10^{10} = 714.1(2.2)(2.5)[3.3] \quad [0.46\%]$$



# BMW-DMZ '24 vs g-2 experiment

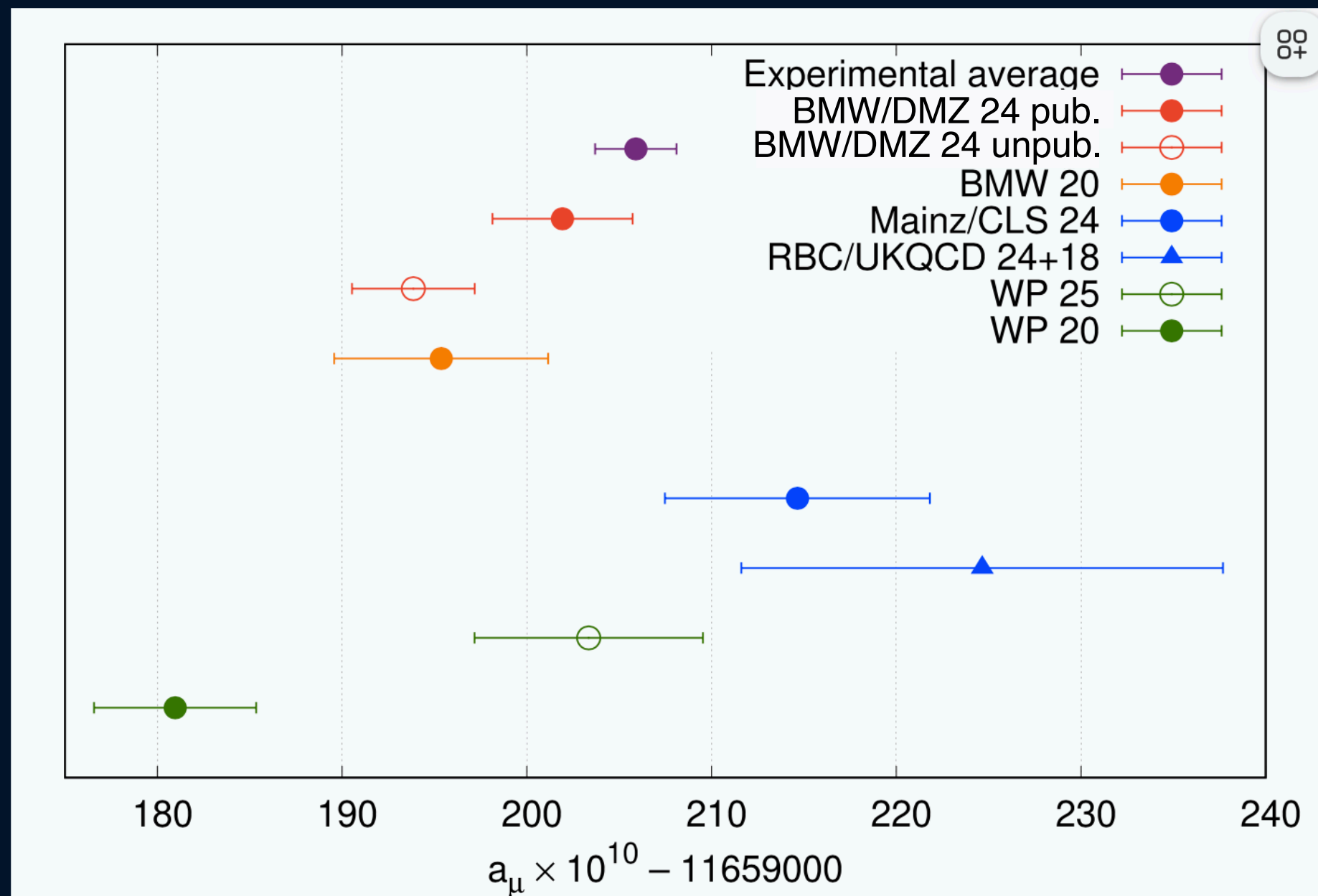


Indicates Standard Model confirmed to 0.32 ppm!

Podcast (generated by AI) on the current status of muon g-2:

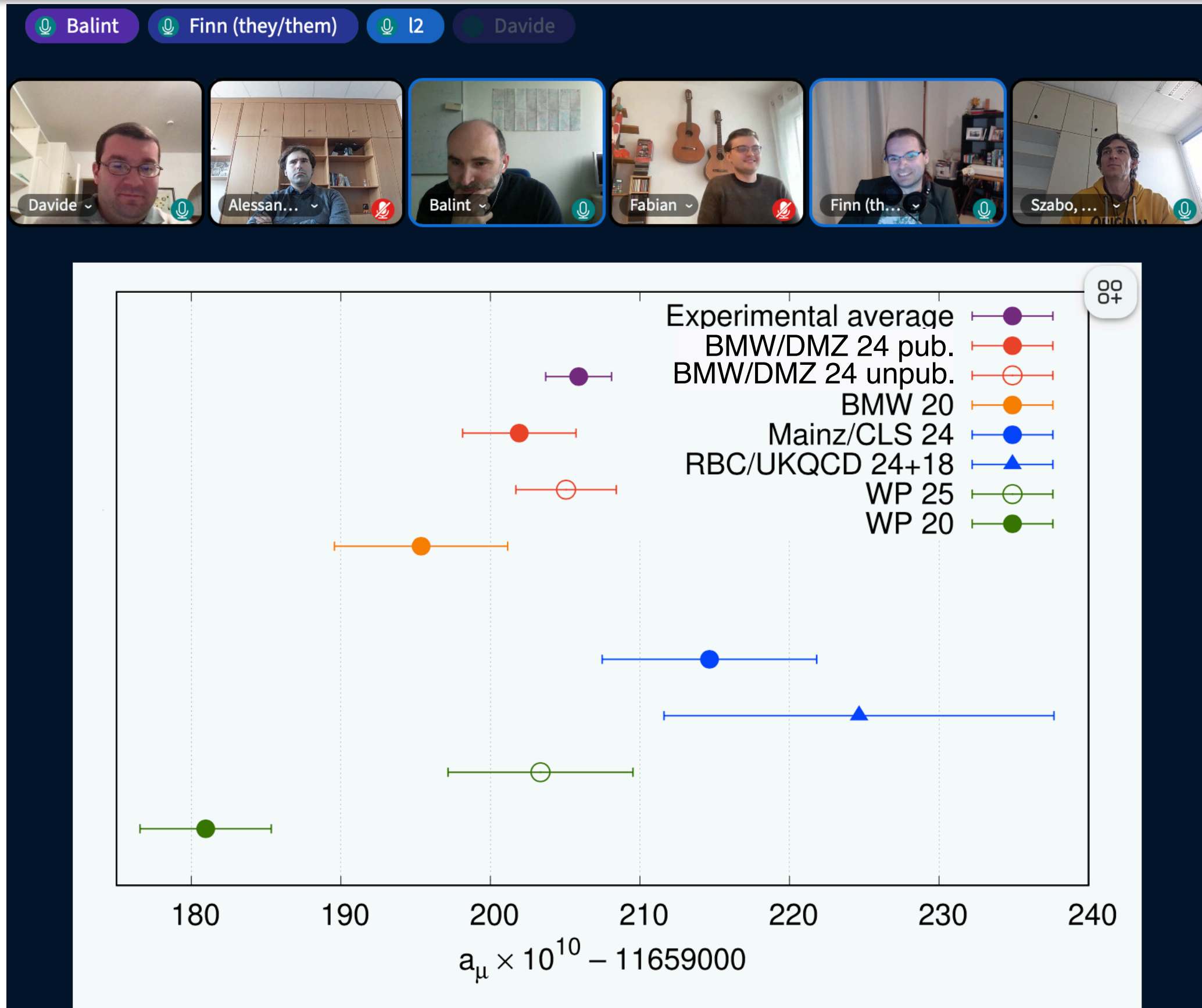
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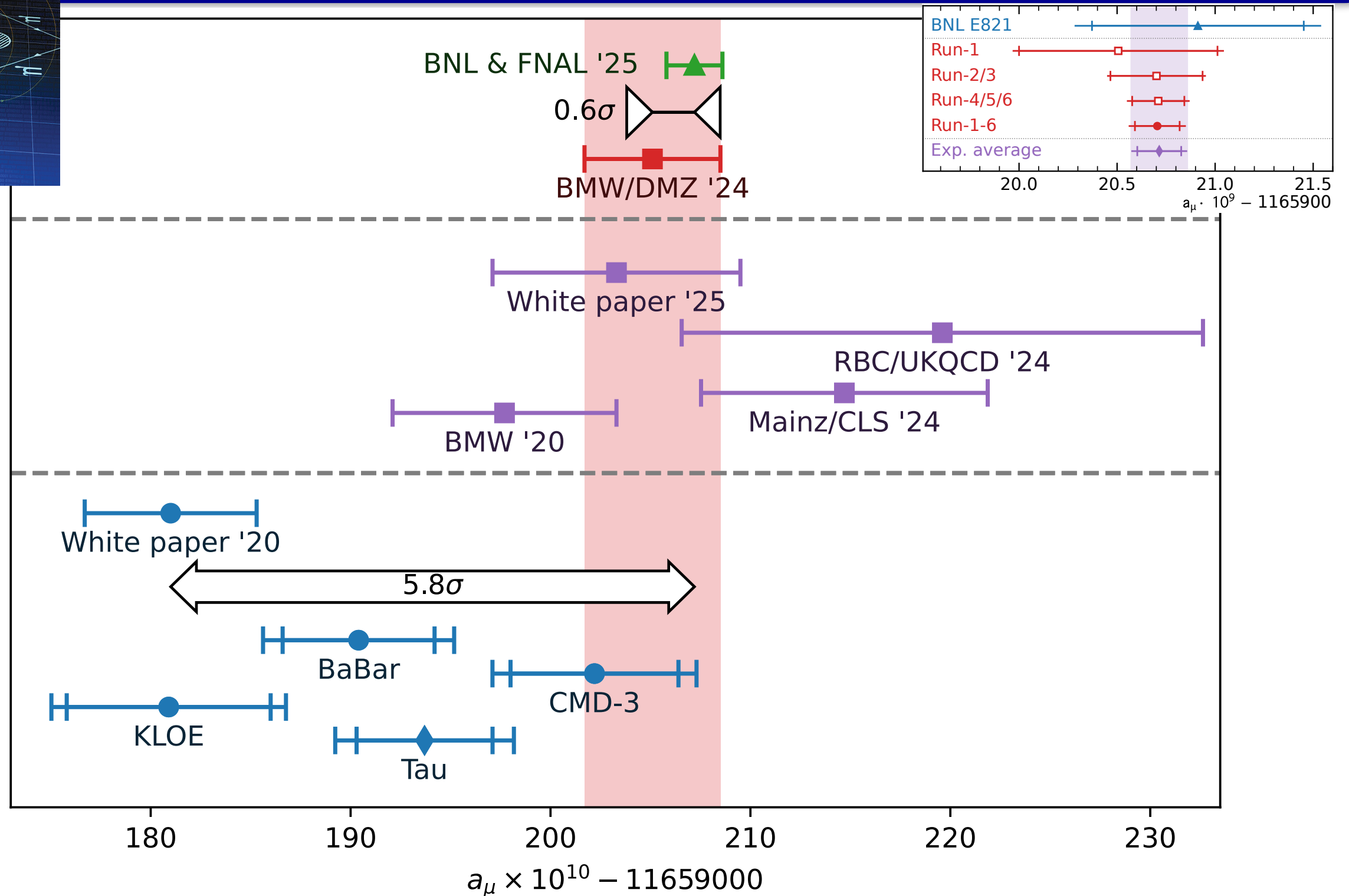
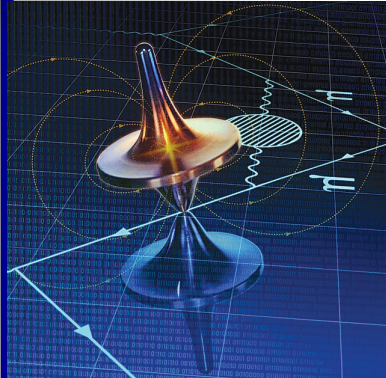


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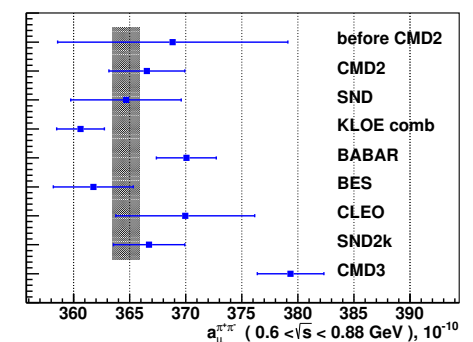
# BMW-DMZ '24 vs g-2 experiment



Indicates Standard Model confirmed to ~~0.32~~ 0.29 ppm!

# Summary and Outlook

- Tremendous progress in lattice calculations of HVP (and HLbL!) contributions
- New BMW-DMZ calculation to 0.44% w/ fully blinded analysis, confirming the SM to 0.29 ppm
- Good agreement between lattice calculations for various windows
- Compared to WWP '20, in WWP '25 the SM prediction is dominated by lattice calculations, w/ consolidated averages from many independent groups
- Awaiting J-PARC entirely new method measurement
- Awaiting new KLOE, BESIII, Belle II, CMD3, SND2 data/analysis to clarify tensions in  $\pi^+\pi^-$
- $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$  experiment MUonE very important for experimental cross-check and complementarity w/ LQCD



# Challenges of a full lattice calculation

To make contact with experiment need:

- **A valid approximation to the SM**

- at least  $u, d, s$  in the sea w/  $m_u = m_d \ll m_s$  ( $N_f=2+1$ )  $\Rightarrow \sigma \sim 1\%$
- better also include  $c$  ( $N_f=2+1+1$ ) &  $m_u \leq m_d$  & EM  $\Rightarrow \sigma \sim 0.1\%$

- **u & d w/ masses well w/in  $SU(2)$  chiral regime** :  $\sigma_\chi \sim (M_\pi/4\pi F_\pi)^2$

- $M_\pi \sim 135$  MeV or many  $M_\pi \leq 400$  MeV w/  $M_\pi^{\min} < 200$  MeV for  $M_\pi \rightarrow 135$  MeV

- **$a \rightarrow 0$**  :  $\sigma_a \sim (a\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})^n, (am_q)^n, (a|\vec{p}|)^n$  w/  $a^{-1} \sim 2 \div 4$  fm

- at least 3  $a$ 's  $\leq 0.1$  fm for  $a \rightarrow 0$

- **$L \rightarrow \infty$**  :  $\sigma_L \sim (M_\pi/4\pi F_\pi)^2 \times e^{-LM_\pi}$  for stable hadrons,  $\sim 1/L^n$  for resonances, QED, ...

- many  $L$  w/  $(LM_\pi)^{\max} \gtrsim 4$  for stable hadrons & better otherwise to allow for  $L \rightarrow \infty$

- These requirements  $\Rightarrow O(10^{12})$  **dofs** that have to be integrated over

- **Renormalization** : best done nonperturbatively

- **A signal** :  $\sigma_{\text{stat}} \sim 1/\sqrt{N_{\text{meas}}}$ , reduce w/  $N_{\text{meas}} \rightarrow \infty$