

# An overview of lattice QCD+QED progress for the HVP contribution to the muon $g-2$

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**MUOnE**

The Evaluation of the Leading Hadronic Contribution to  
the Muon  $g-2$ : Consolidation of the MUonE Experiment  
and Recent Developments in Low-Energy  $e^+ e^-$  Data

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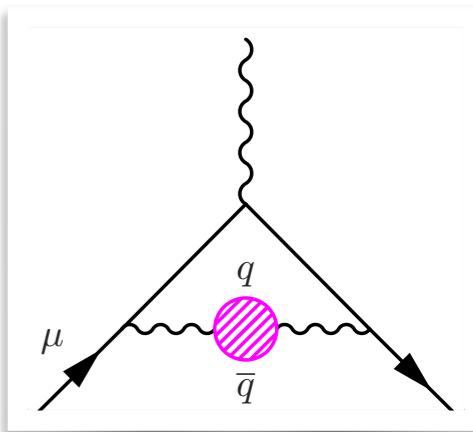
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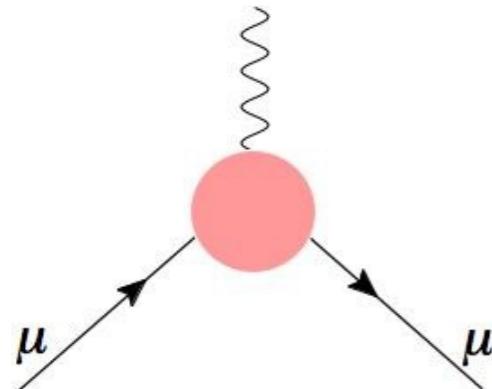
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- Introduction
- HVP from the lattice
- Window observables
- Connections to the MUonE experiment



# Introduction

# Muon magnetic anomaly

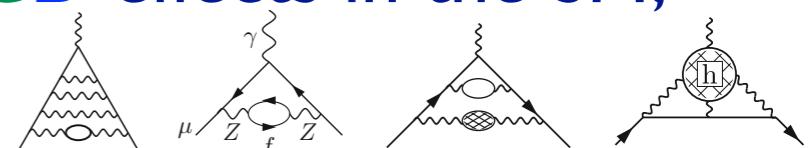


$$= (-i e) \bar{u}(p') \left[ \gamma^\mu F_1(q^2) + \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu}q_\nu}{2m} F_2(q^2) \right] u(p)$$

muon anomalous magnetic moment:

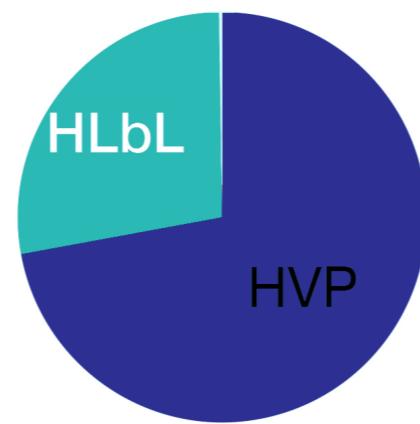
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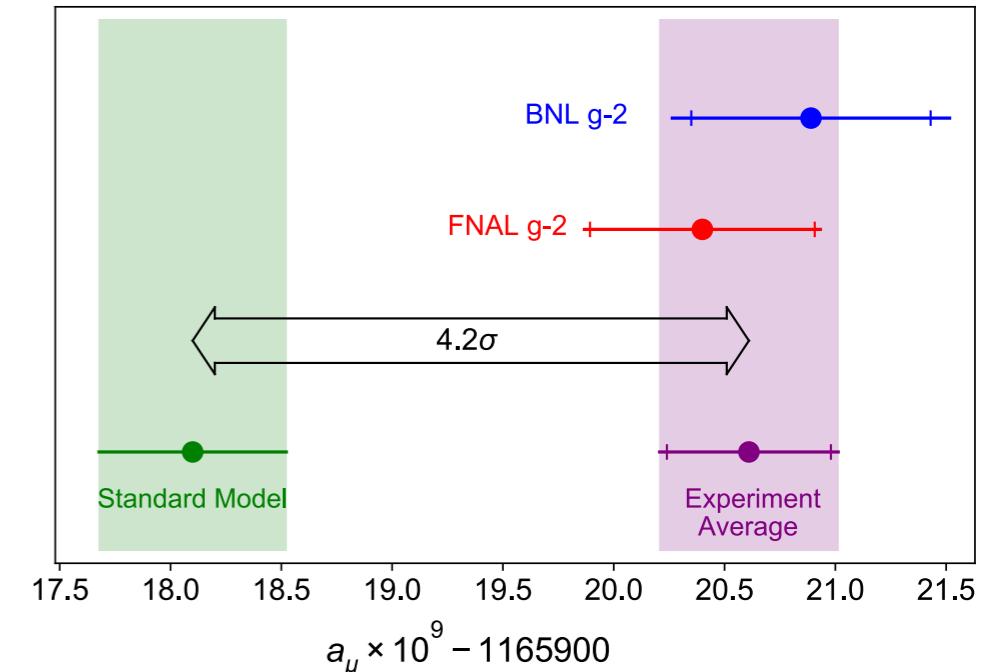


SM contributions to  $a_\mu [\times 10^{10}]$

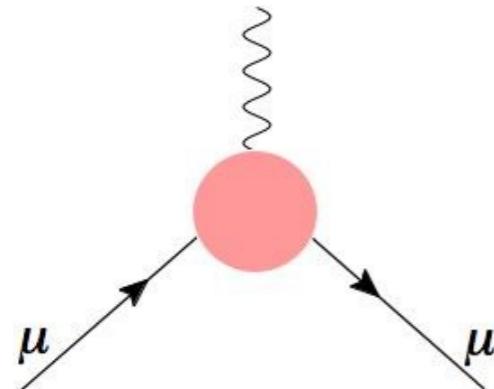
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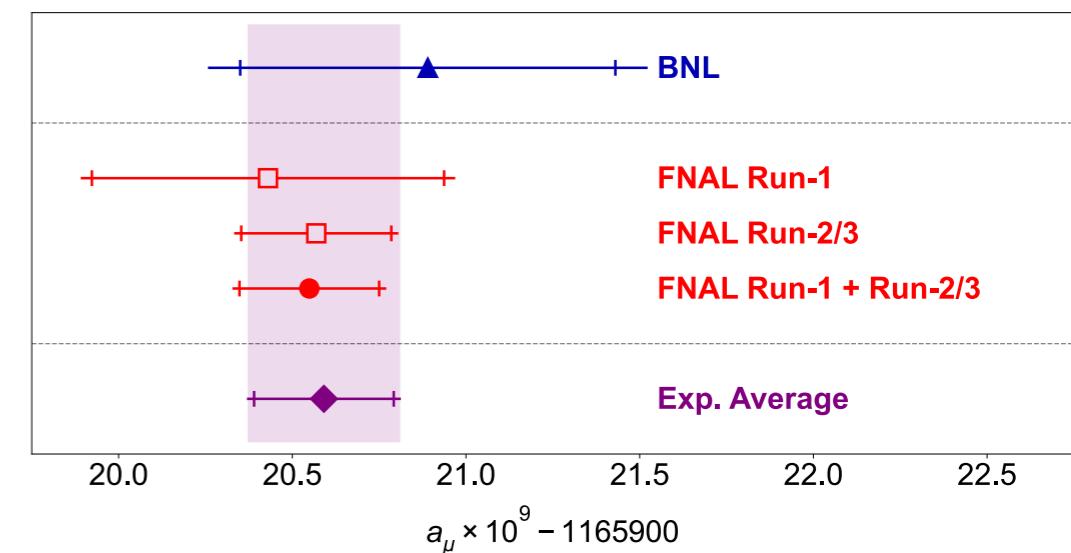
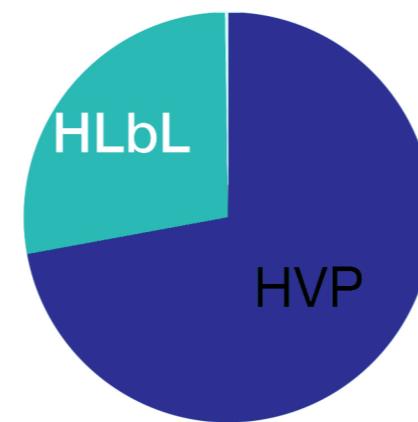
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Precision goal for Fermilab  $\times 4$  better  
implies knowing HVP at 0.2-0.3% accuracy

Muon g-2 2023

# 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:

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

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

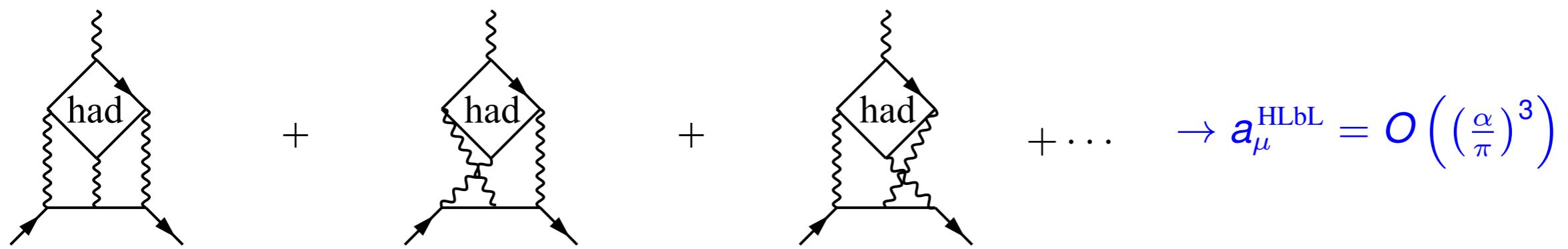
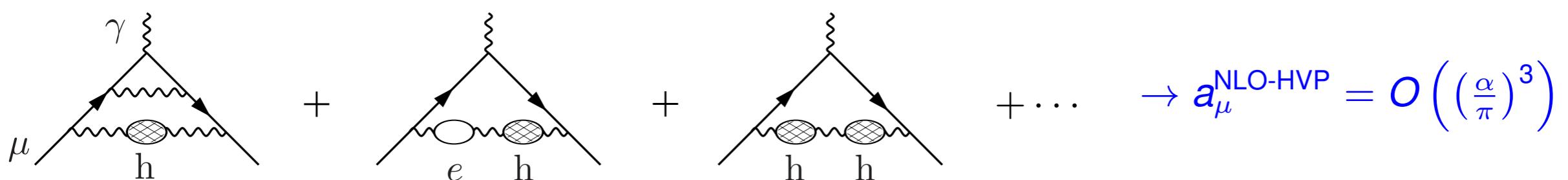
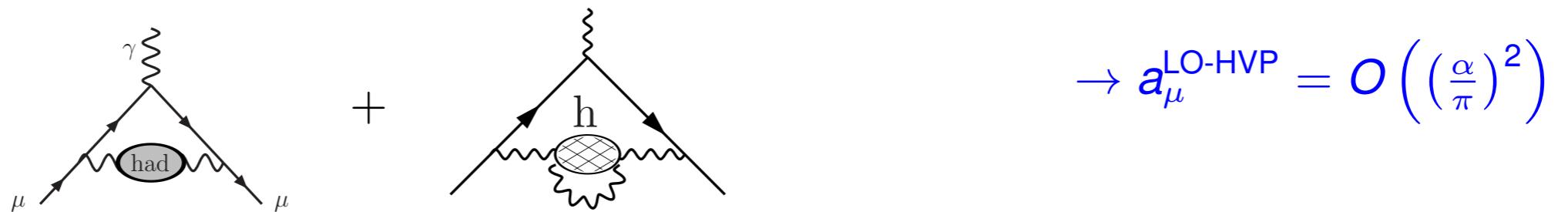
Huge challenge: theory of strong interaction between quarks and gluons, QCD, hugely nonlinear at energies relevant for  $a_\mu$

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

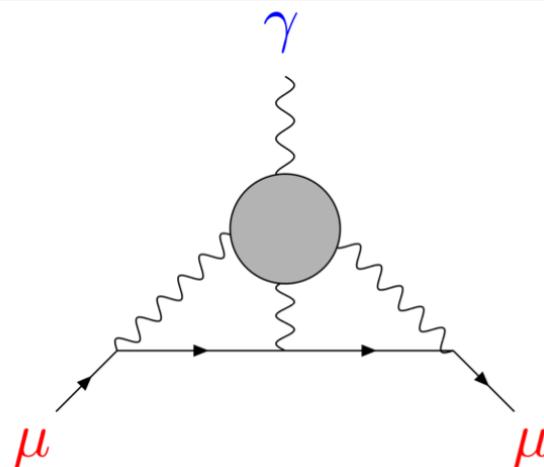
Write

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

# Hadronic contributions: diagrams



# 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:

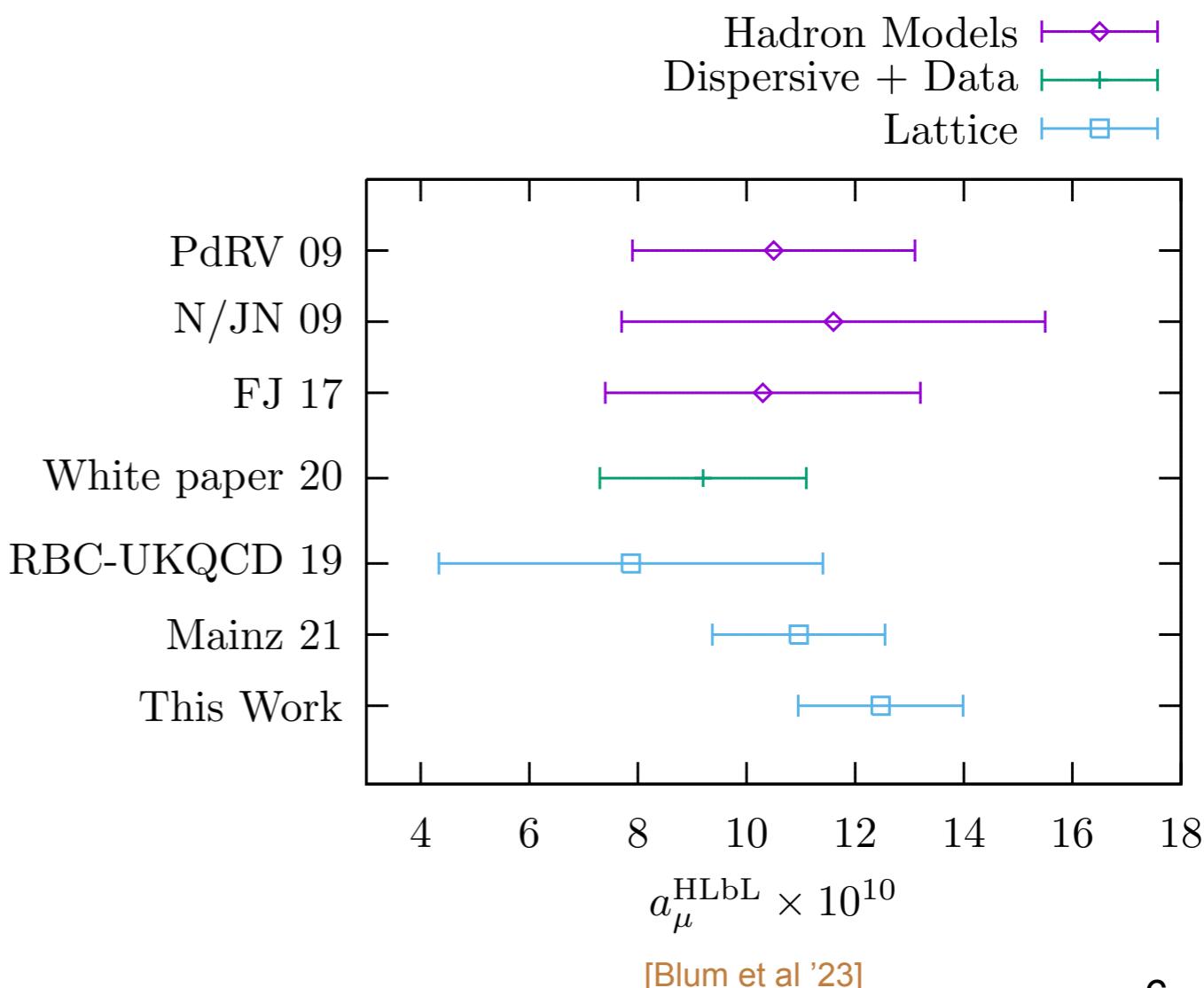
→ Phenomenology: rigorous data driven approach [Colangelo, Hoferichter, Kubis, Procura, Stoffer, ... '15-'20]

→ 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]

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# Standard Model prediction vs Experiment

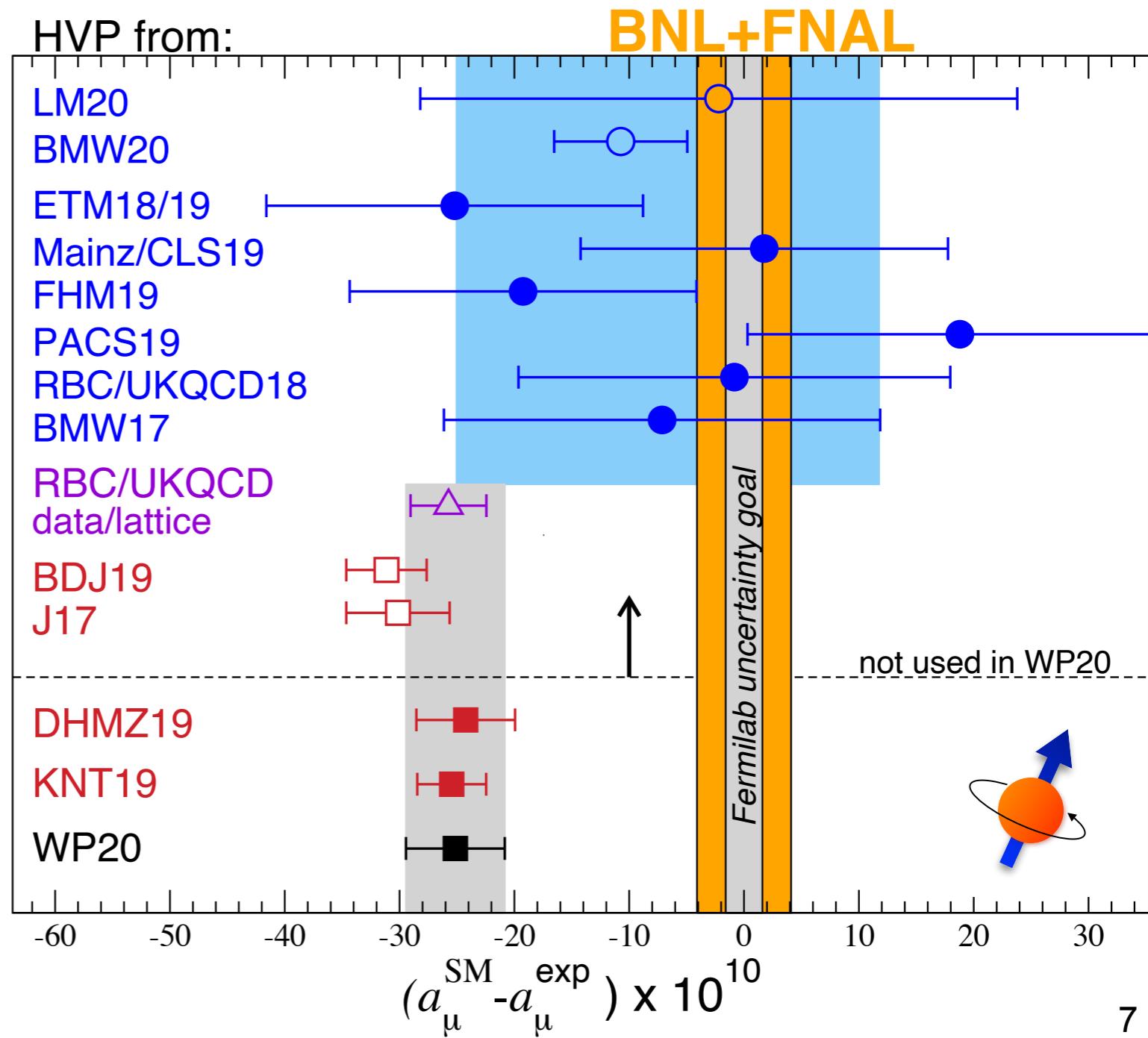
$$a_\mu^{\text{SM}}$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} + [a_\mu^{\text{QED}} + a_\mu^{\text{Weak}} + a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}}]$$

Lattice QCD + QED

hybrid: combine data & lattice

data driven  
+ unitarity/analyticity  
constraints



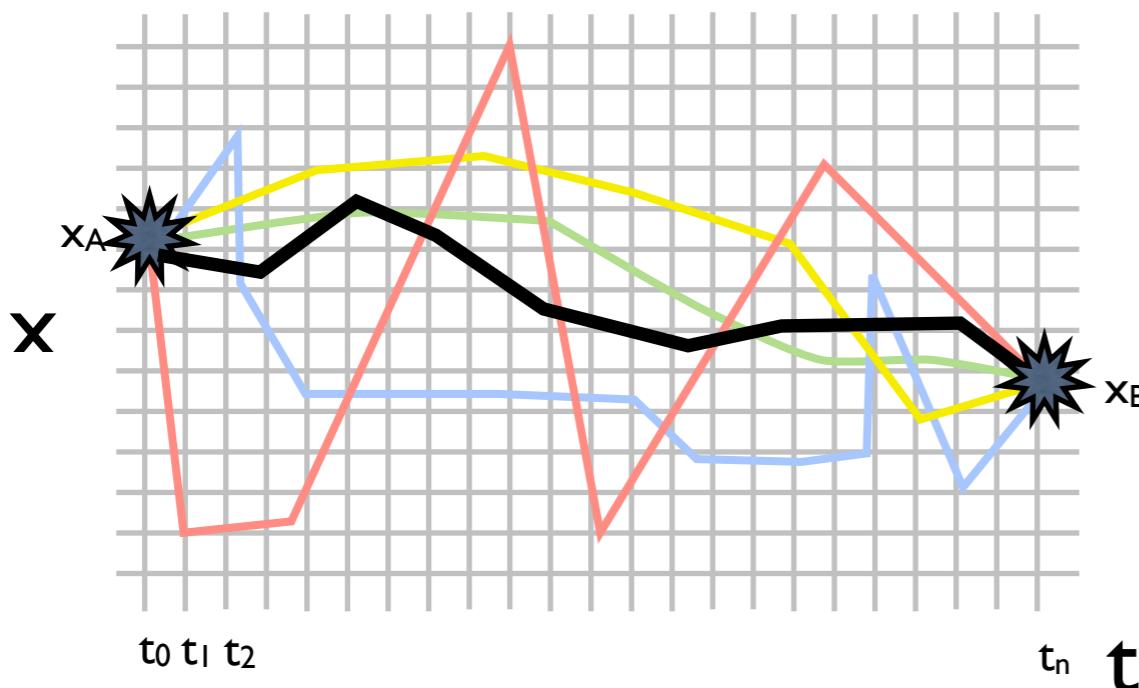
# **Small interlude:**

# **Lattice QCD**

# Lattice QCD

Numerical first-principles approach to non-perturbative QCD

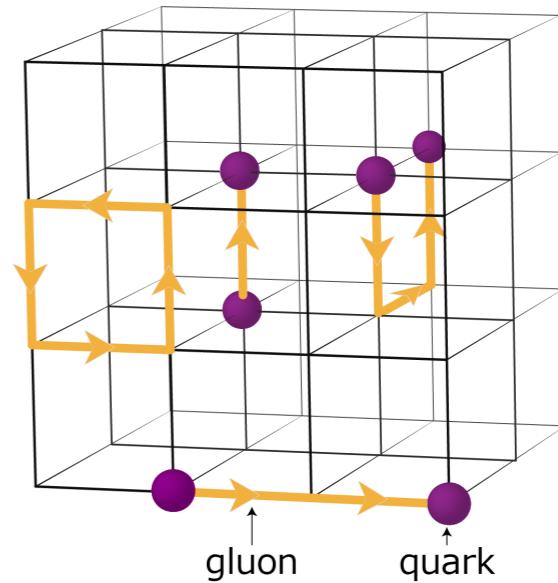
- Discretise QCD onto 4D space-time lattice
- QCD equations  $\longleftrightarrow$  integrals over the values of quark and gluon fields on each site/link (QCD path integral)
- $\sim 10^{12}$  variables (for state-of-the-art)
  - Evaluate by importance sampling
  - Paths near classical action dominate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

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

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



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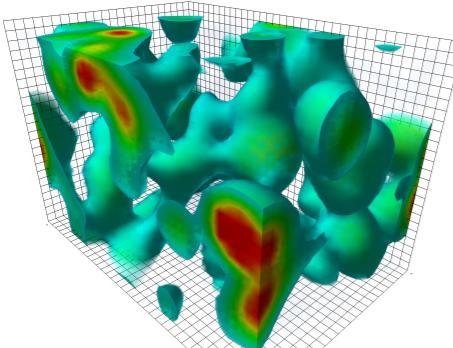
Compute propagators

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

3

Contract into correlation functions

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



Hadrons are emergent phenomena  
of statistical average over  
background gluon configurations

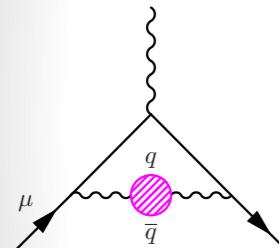
- 1 year on supercomputer  
 $\sim 100k$  years on laptop

# Challenges of a full lattice calculation

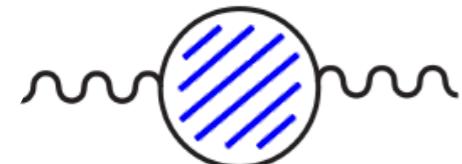
To make contact with experiment need:

- **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 → 0** :  $\sigma_a \sim (a \Lambda_{QCD})^n, (am_q)^n, (a|\vec{p}|)^n$  w/  $a^{-1} \sim 2 \div 4$  fm
  - at least 3  $a$ 's  $\leq 0.1$  fm for  $a \rightarrow 0$
- **L → ∞** :  $\sigma_L \sim (M_\pi / 4\pi F_\pi)^2 \times e^{-LM_\pi}$  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/  $N_{\text{meas}} \rightarrow \infty$

# HVP from the lattice



# 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

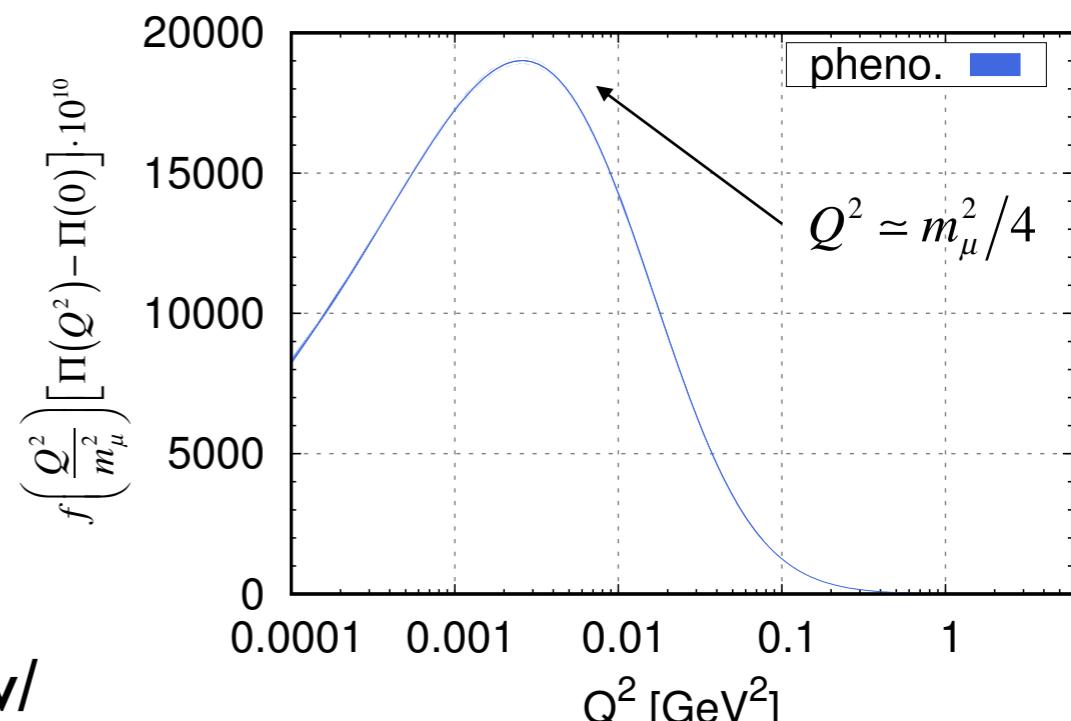
contaminates  $\Pi(Q^2) \sim \Pi_{\mu\nu}(Q)/Q^2$  for  $Q^2 \rightarrow 0$  w/  
very large FV effects; C.  $\Pi(0) \sim \ln(a)$



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

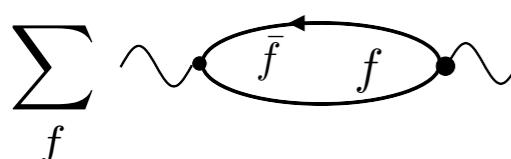


F. Jegerlehner, "alphaQEDc17"

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

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



light-quark connected

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

s,c-quark connected

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



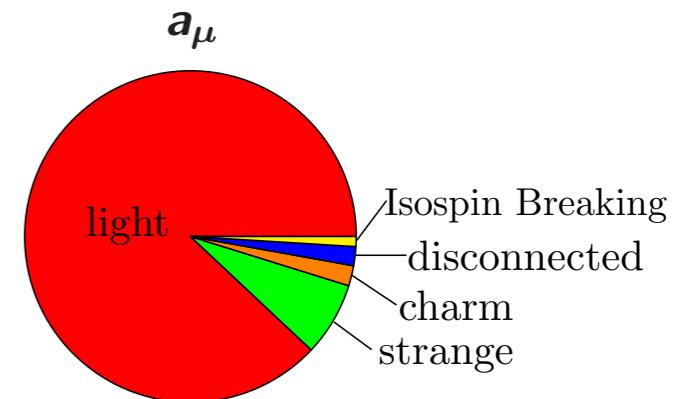
disconnected

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

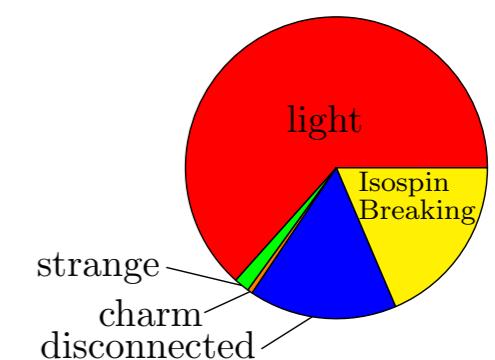


IB ( $m_u \neq m_d + \text{QED}$ )

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

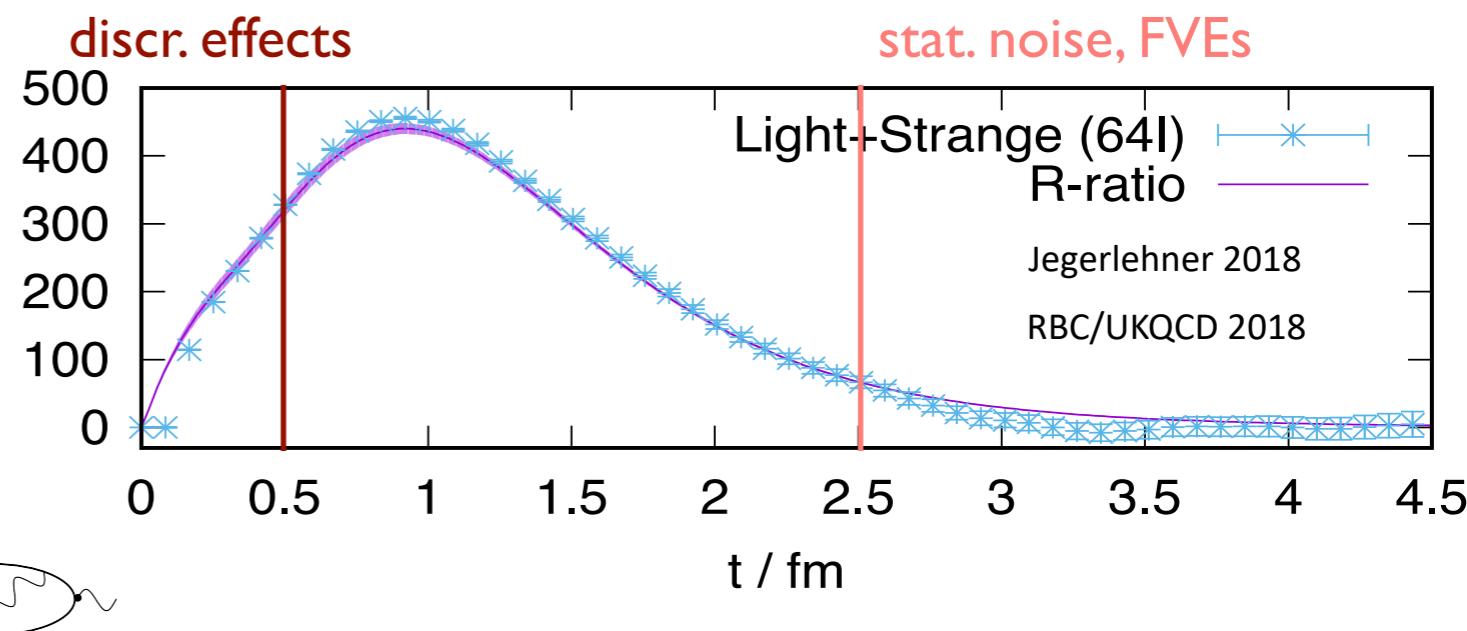
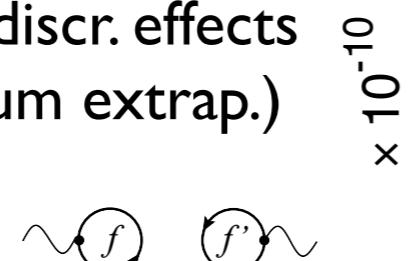


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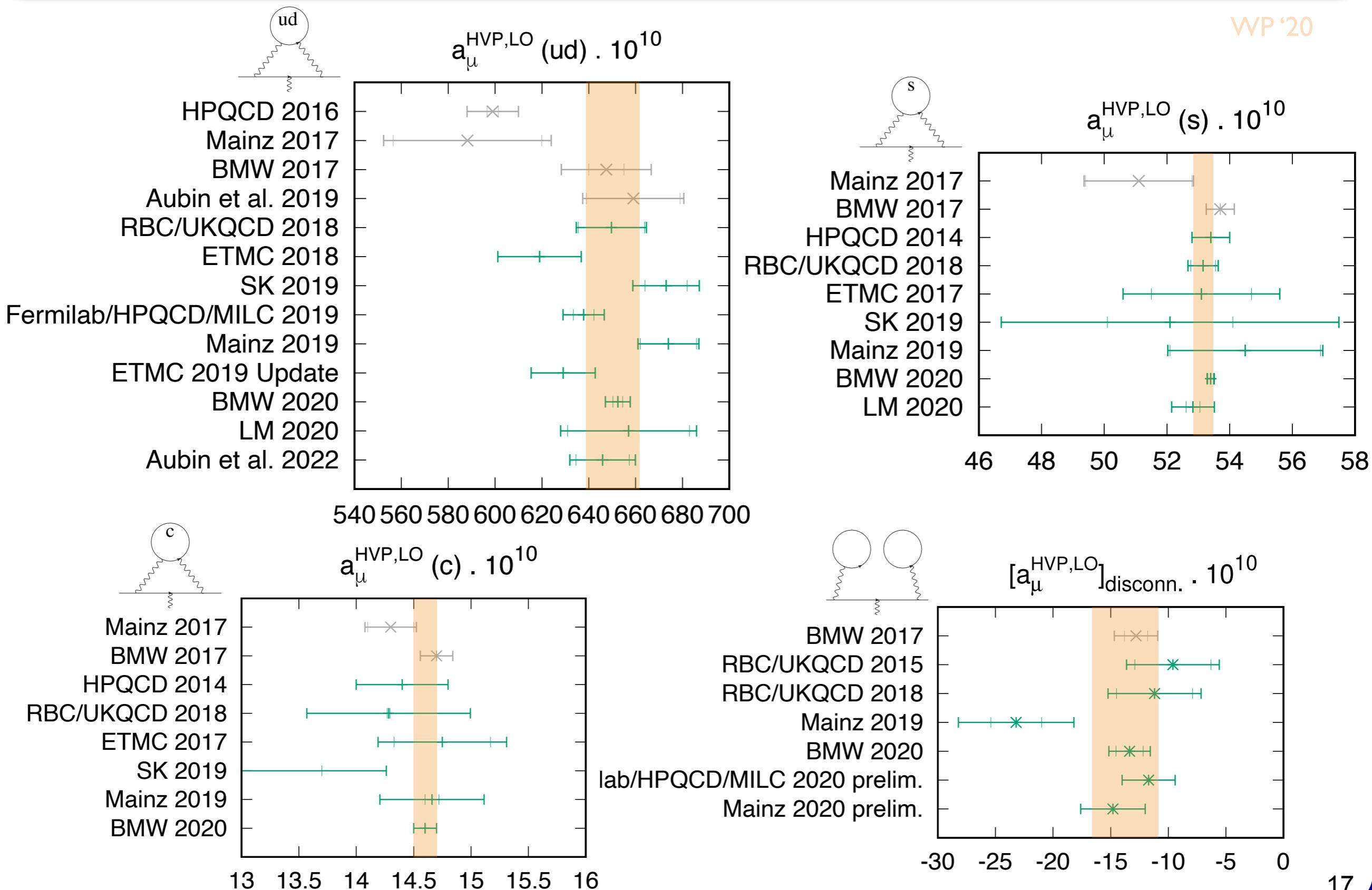


## Challenges:

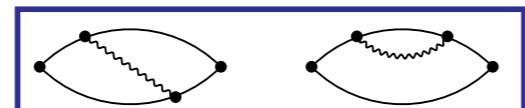
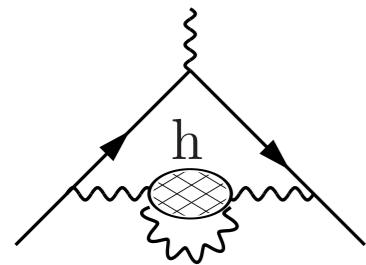
- sub-percent stat. precision  
exp. growing StN ratio in  $V(t)$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$
- correct for FVEs, control discr. effects  
(scale setting and continuum extrap.)
- quark-disconn. diagrams  
control stat. & stochastic noise
- isospin-breaking:  $m_u \neq m_d, \alpha_{em} \neq 0$



# Results for each contribution



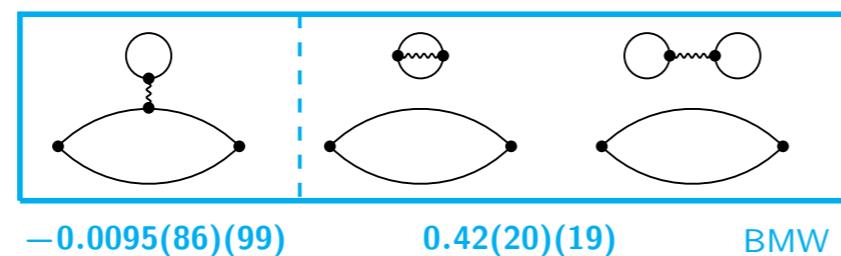
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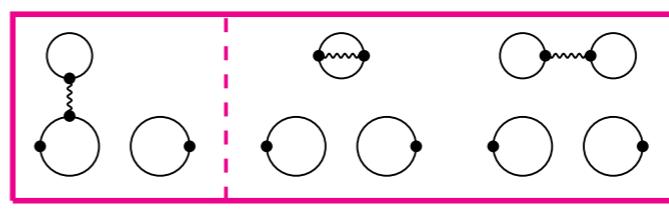
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 RBC/UKQCD       $5.9(5.7)(1.7)$   
 ETM       $1.1(1.0)$



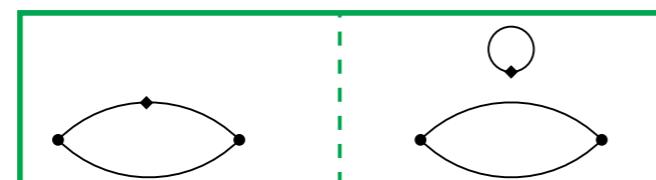
BMW       $-0.55(15)(11)$   
 RBC/UKQCD       $-6.9(2.1)(2.0)$



$-0.0095(86)(99)$        $0.42(20)(19)$       BMW

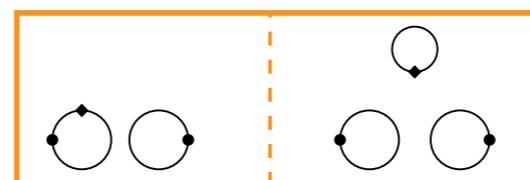


$0.011(24)(14)$        $-0.047(33)(23)$       BMW



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 RBC/UKQCD  
 ETM  
 FHM  
 LM

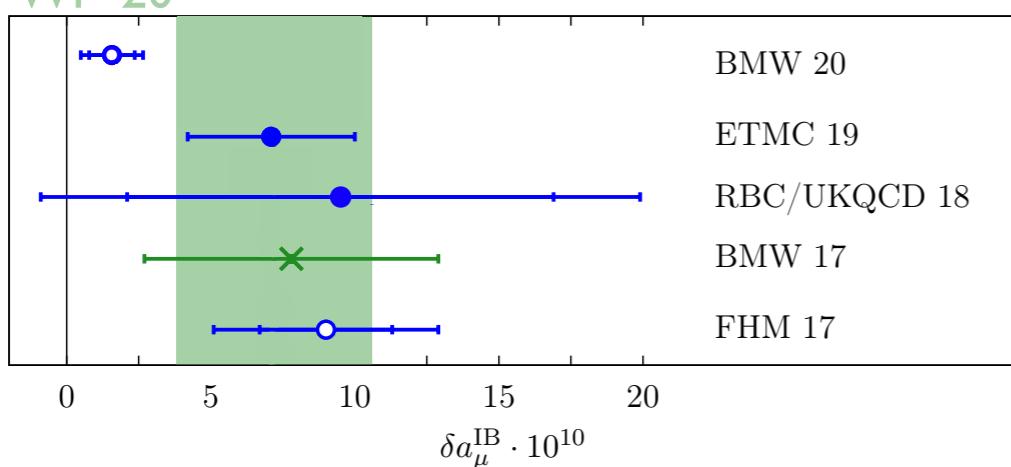
$6.59(63)(53)$   
 $10.6(4.3)(6.8)$   
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 $7.7(3.7)$        $9.0(2.3)$   
 $9.0(0.8)(1.2)$



BMW

BMW [arXiv:2002.12347]  
 RBC/UKQCD [Phys.Rev.Lett. 121 (2018) 2, 022003]  
 ETM [Phys. Rev. D 99, 114502 (2019)]  
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WP '20

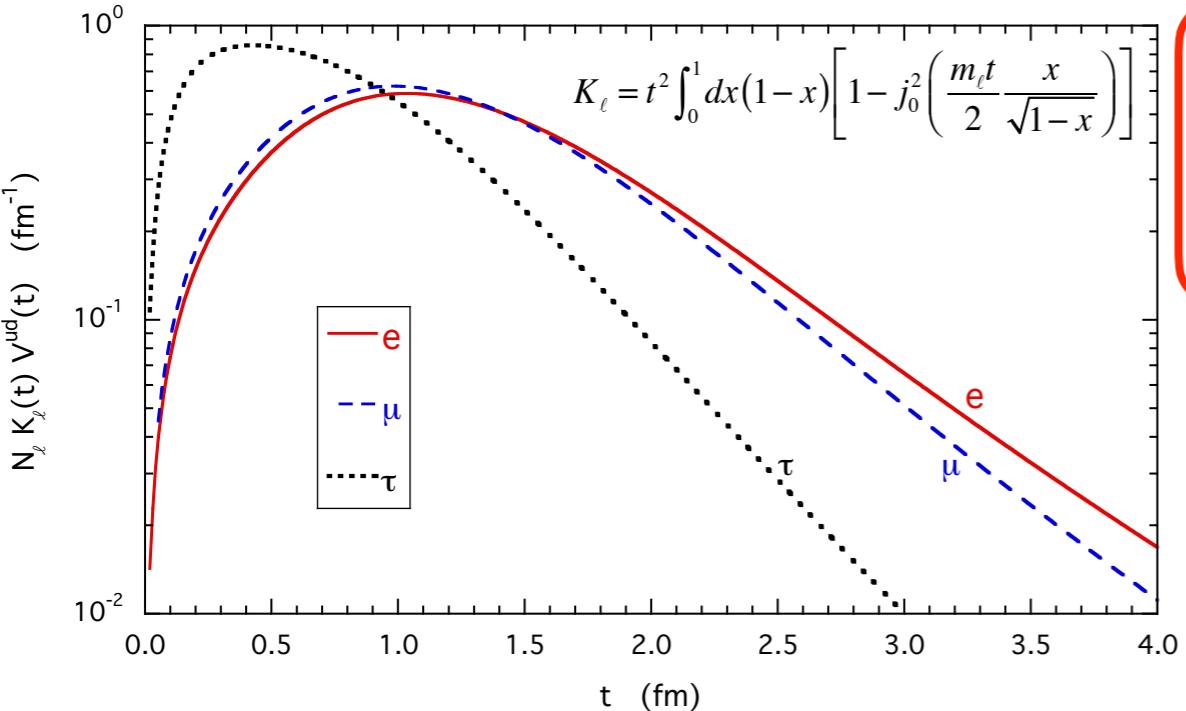


- Small overall value due to large cancellations
- Large statistical uncertainties
- More precise calculations are in progress

# **Ratios of the HVP contributions to the lepton g-2**

# Ratio electron/muon

DG and S. Simula 2020



$$R_{e/\mu} \equiv \left( \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} \right)^2 \frac{a_e^{\text{HVP}}}{a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}}$$

- numerator and denominator share the same hadronic input
- hadronic uncertainties strongly correlated ( $\sim 98\%$ ) and largely cancel out

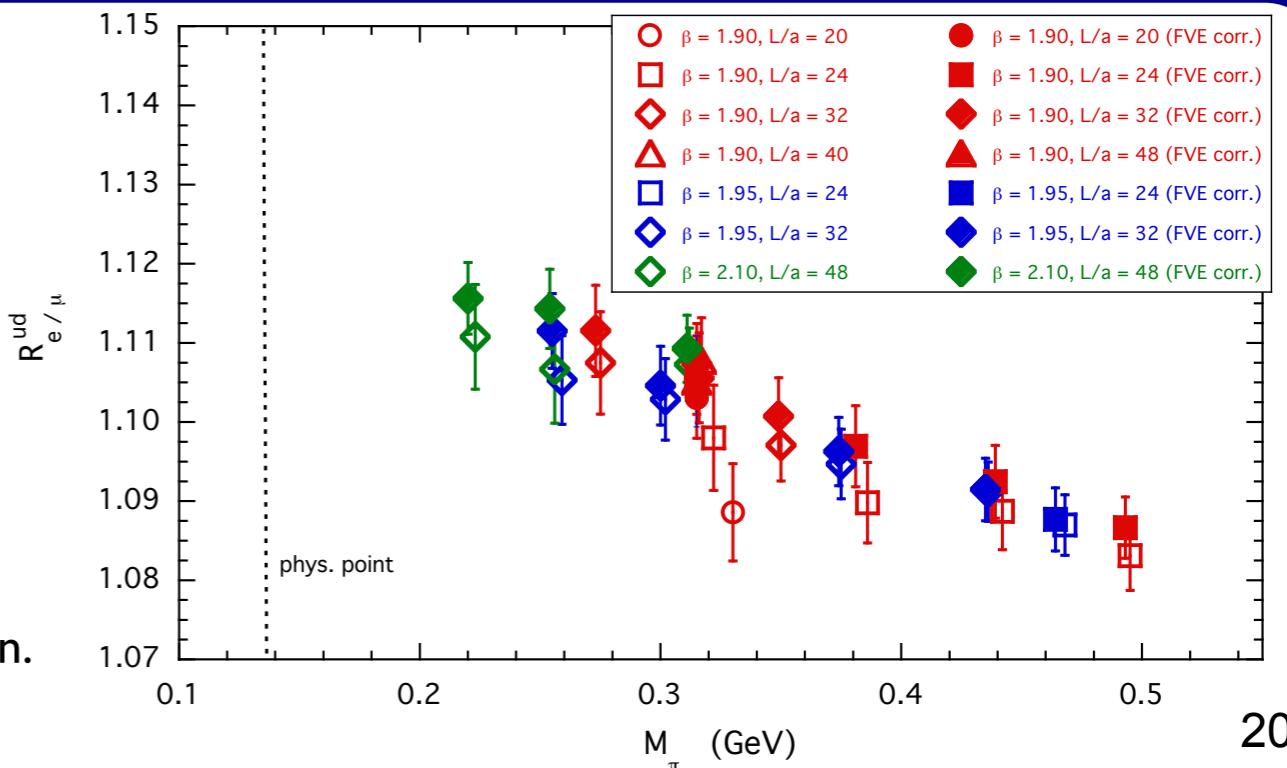
$$R_{e/\mu} \equiv R_{e/\mu}^{ud} \cdot \tilde{R}_{e/\mu}$$

$$R_{e/\mu}^{ud} \equiv \left( \frac{m_\mu}{m_e} \right)^2 \frac{a_e^{\text{HVP}}(ud)}{a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}(ud)}$$

$$\tilde{R}_{e/\mu} \equiv \frac{1 + \sum_{j=s,c,IB,disc} \frac{a_e^{\text{HVP}}(j)}{a_e^{\text{HVP}}(ud)}}{1 + \sum_{j=s,c,IB,disc} \frac{a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}(j)}{a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}(ud)}}$$

$R_{e/\mu}^{ud}$

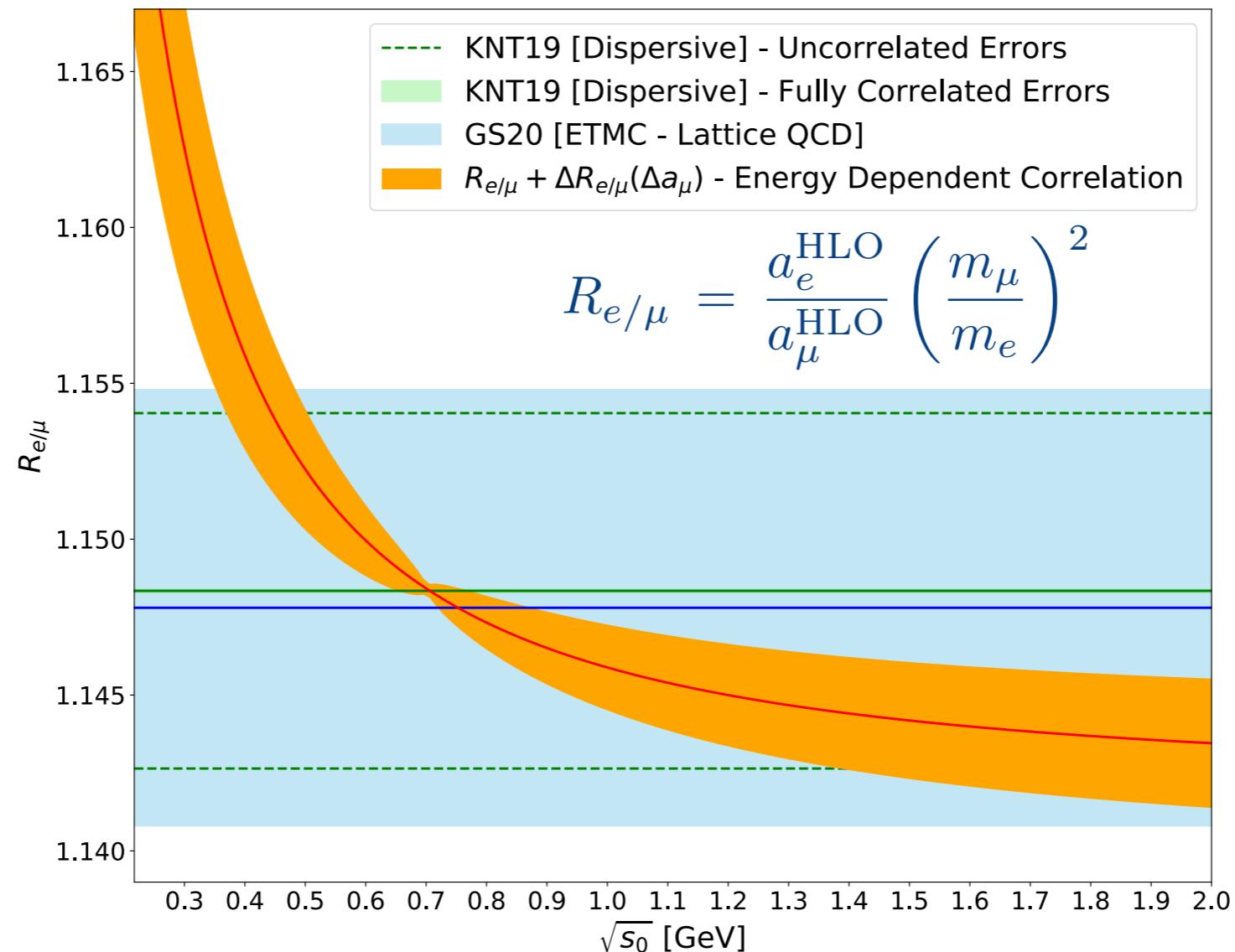
- Precision of the data  $\approx 4$  times better than the individual HVP terms
- Discretization and scale setting errors play a minor role
- Non-trivial pion mass dependence
- Visible FVEs, removed using the analytic representation. The correction does not exceed  $\sim 1.3\%$



# Trying to accommodate the g-2 discrepancy

Shift of the  $e/\mu$  g-2 scaled HLO ratio

$e/\mu$



Good agreement between lattice [Giusti & Simula 2020] and KNT19.  
Possible future bounds on very low energy shifts  $\Delta\sigma(s)$ ?

Keshavarzi, Marciano, MP, Sirlin, PRD 2020

# Window observables

# Windows “on the g-2 mystery”

Restrict integration over Euclidean time to sub-intervals  
 → reduce/enhance sensitivity to systematic effects

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

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

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

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

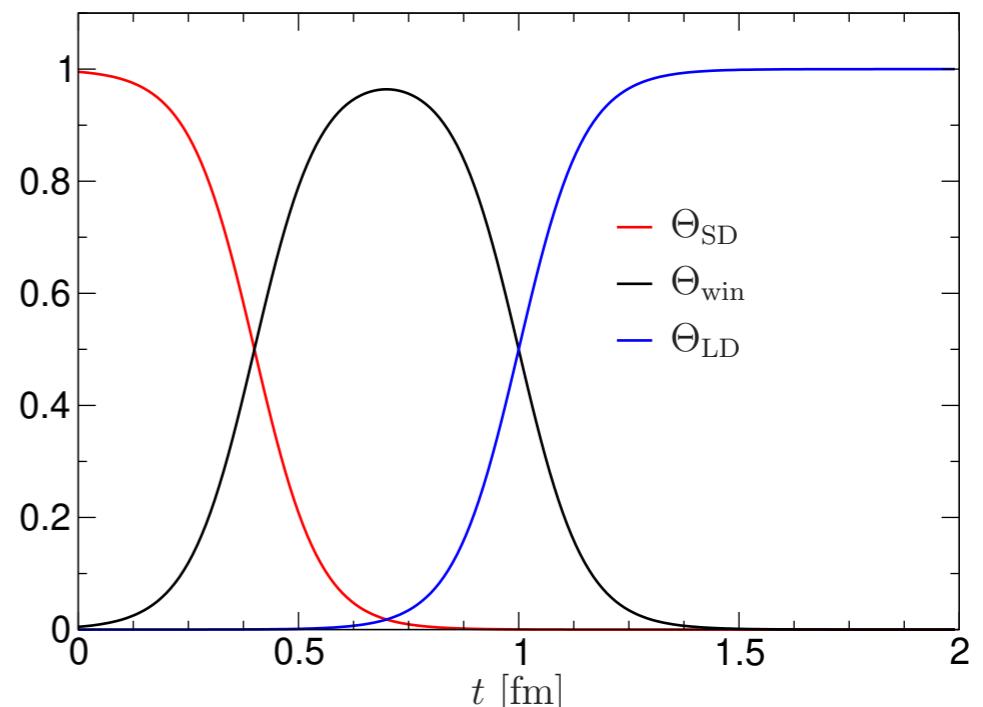
$$\Theta(t, t', \Delta) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-2(t-t')/\Delta}}$$

“Standard” choice:  
 $t_0 = 0.4 \text{ fm}$     $t_1 = 1.0 \text{ fm}$

$\Delta = 0.15 \text{ fm}$   
 RBC/UKQCD 2018

## Intermediate window

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



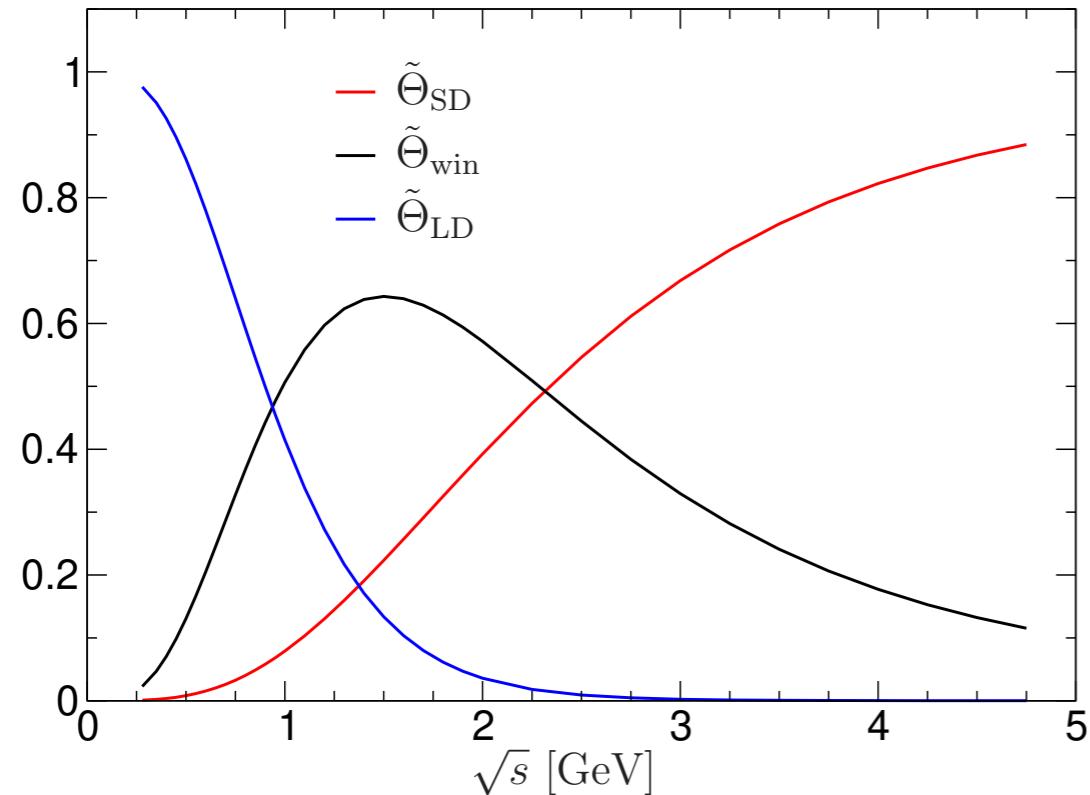
# Comparison with $R$ -ratio

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

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

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

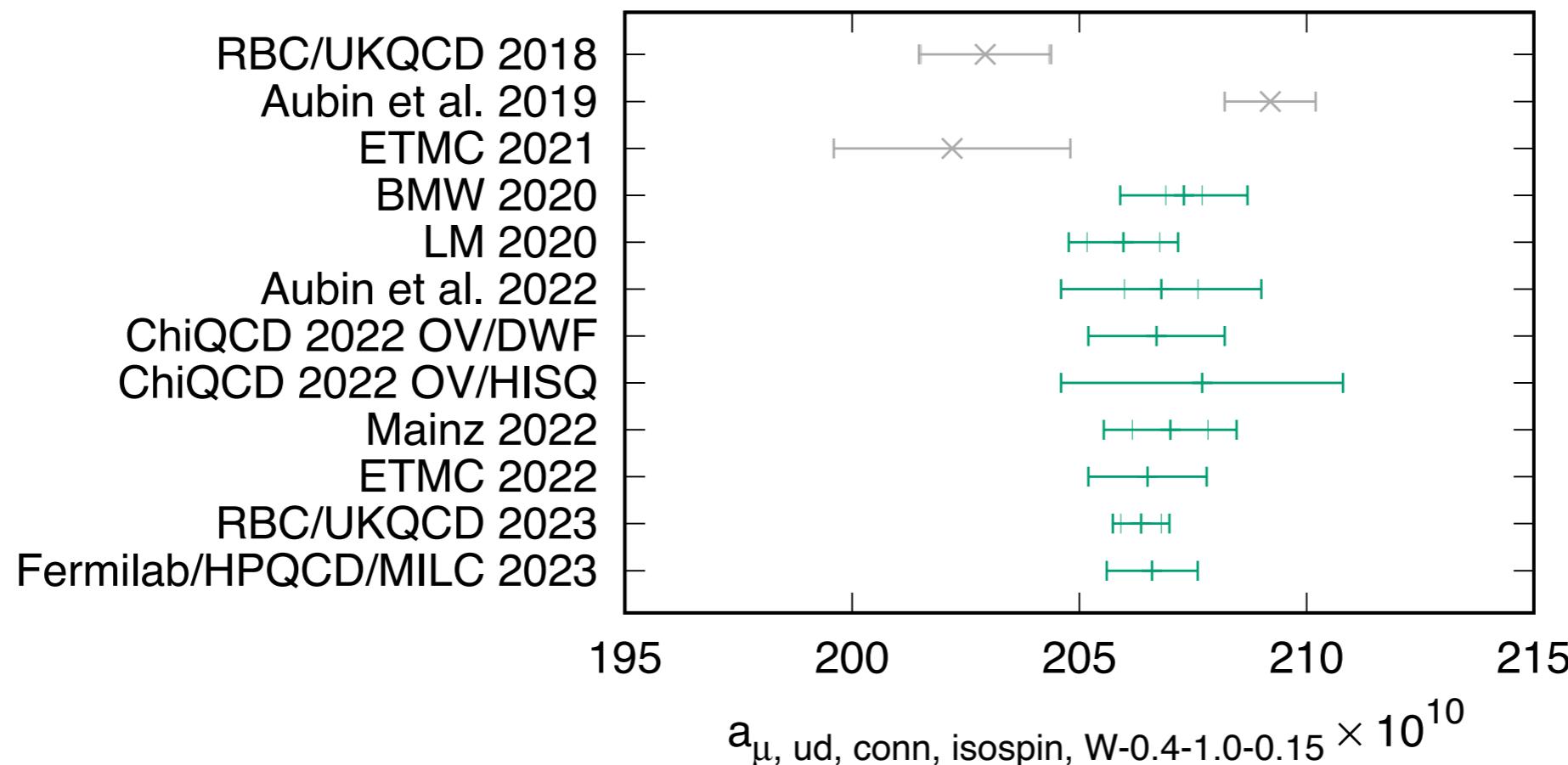
$$a_{\mu,win}^{\text{HVP,LO}} = 4\alpha_{em}^2 \int_{M_{\pi^0}}^{\infty} d(\sqrt{s}) R(s) \frac{1}{12\pi^2} s \int_0^{\infty} dt \tilde{f}(t) \Theta_{win}(t) e^{-\sqrt{st}}$$



Colangelo et al. 2022

	$a_{SD}^{\text{HVP}}$	$a_{\text{int}}^{\text{HVP}}$	$a_{LD}^{\text{HVP}}$	$a_{\text{total}}^{\text{HVP}}$
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)	–	–

# Results for the intermediate window



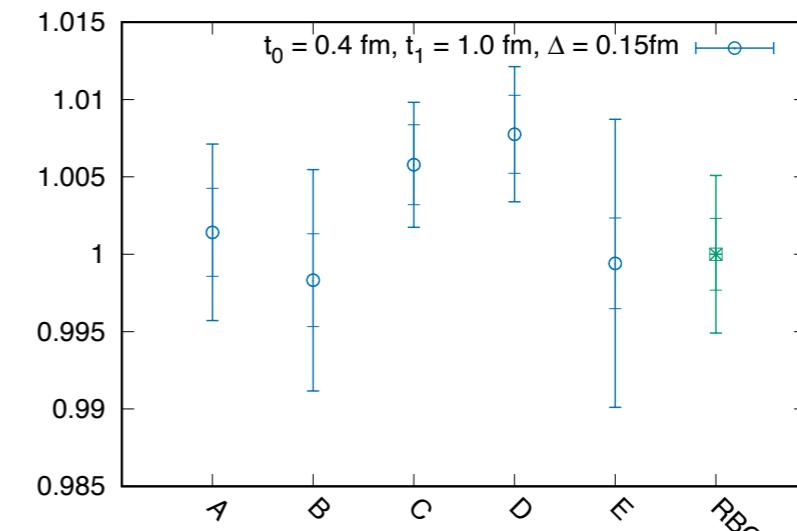
## Blinding

- ▶ 2 analysis groups for ensemble parameters (not blinded)
- ▶ 5 analysis groups for vector-vector correlators (blinded, to avoid bias towards other lattice/R-ratio results)
- ▶ Blinded vector correlator  $C_b(t)$  relates to true correlator  $C_0(t)$  by

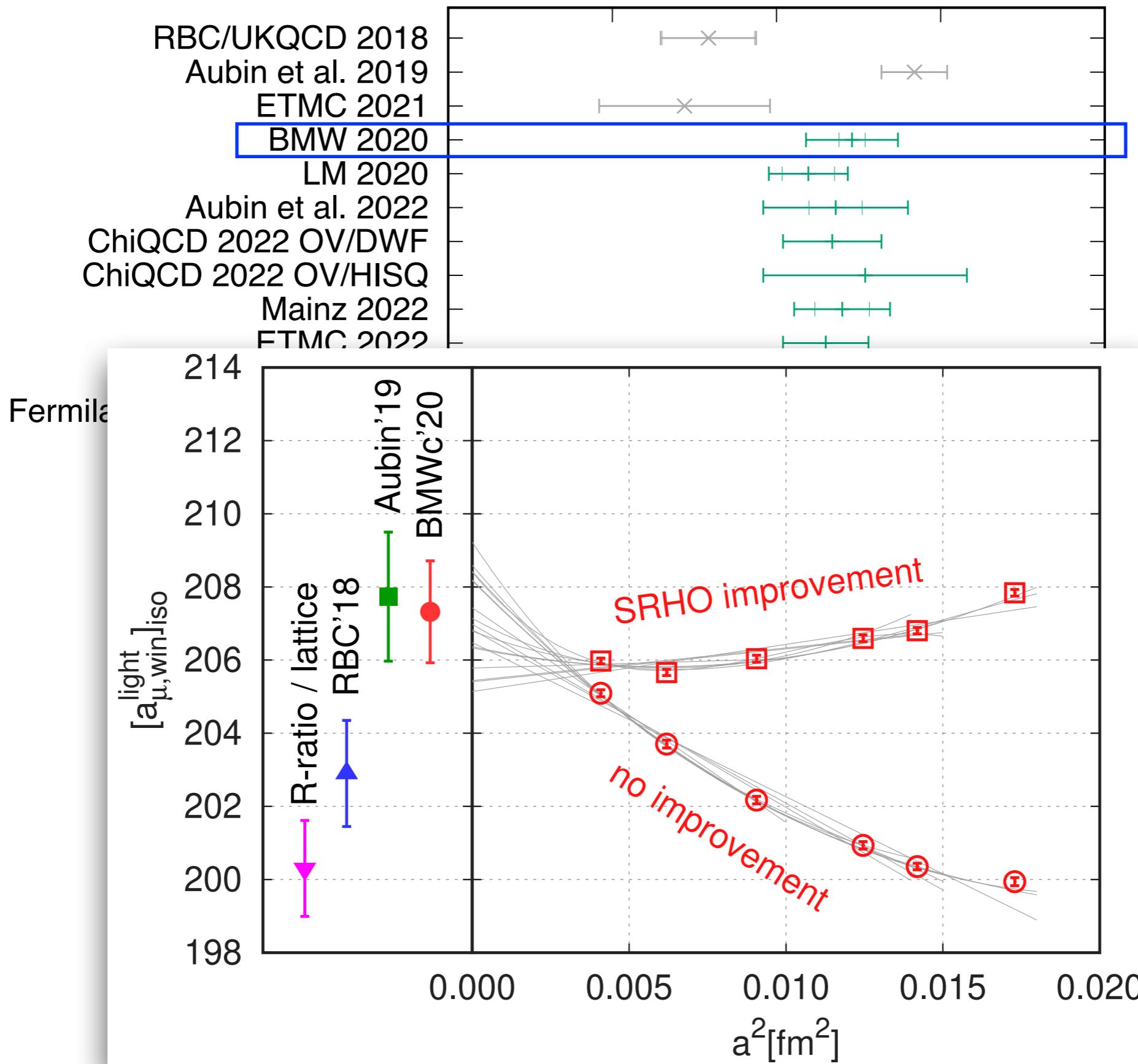
$$C_b(t) = (b_0 + b_1 a^2 + b_2 a^4) C_0(t) \quad (1)$$

with appropriate random  $b_0, b_1, b_2$ , different for each analysis group. This prevents complete unblinding based on previously shared data on coarser ensembles.

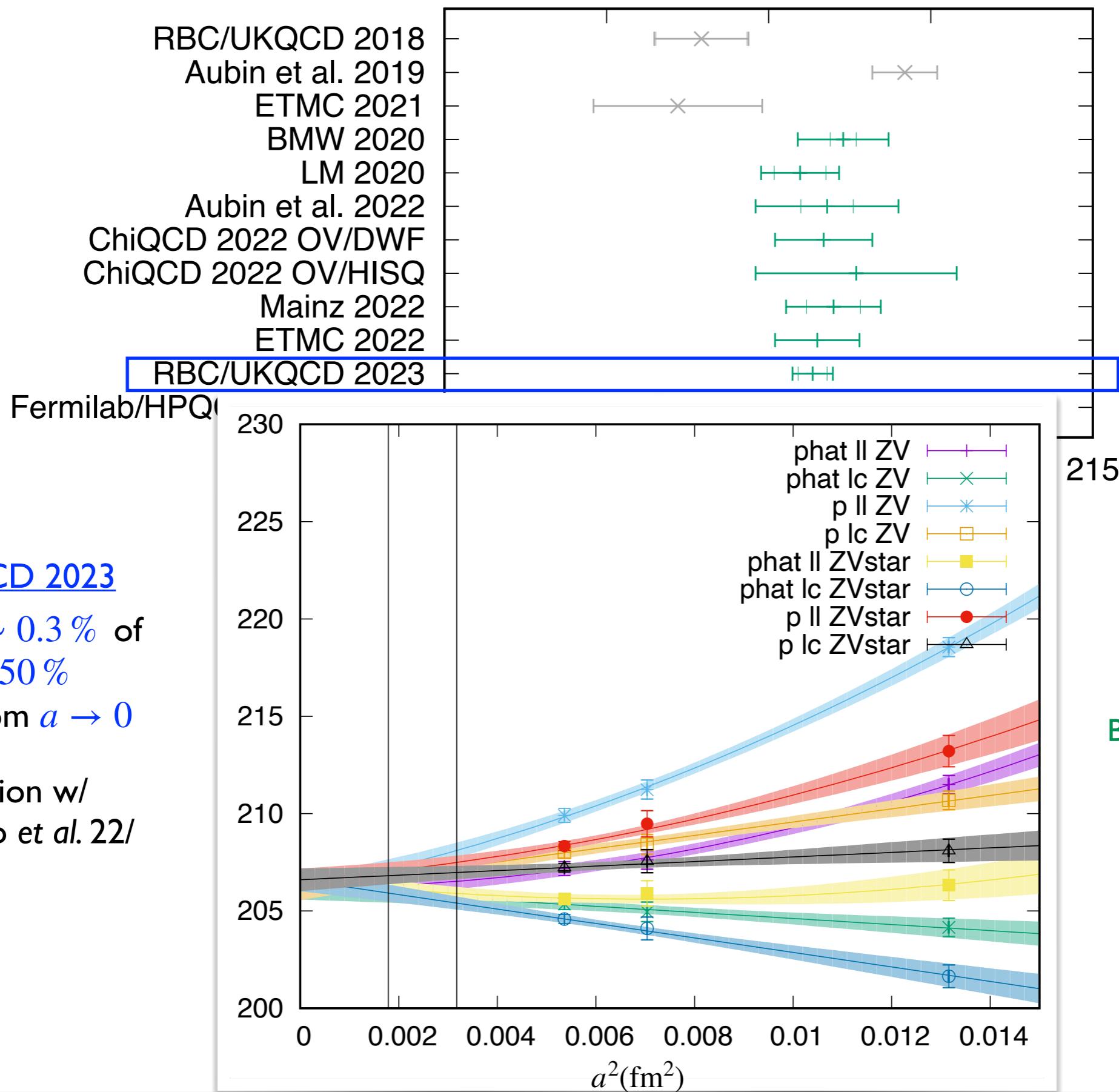
## Relative unblinding (standard window)



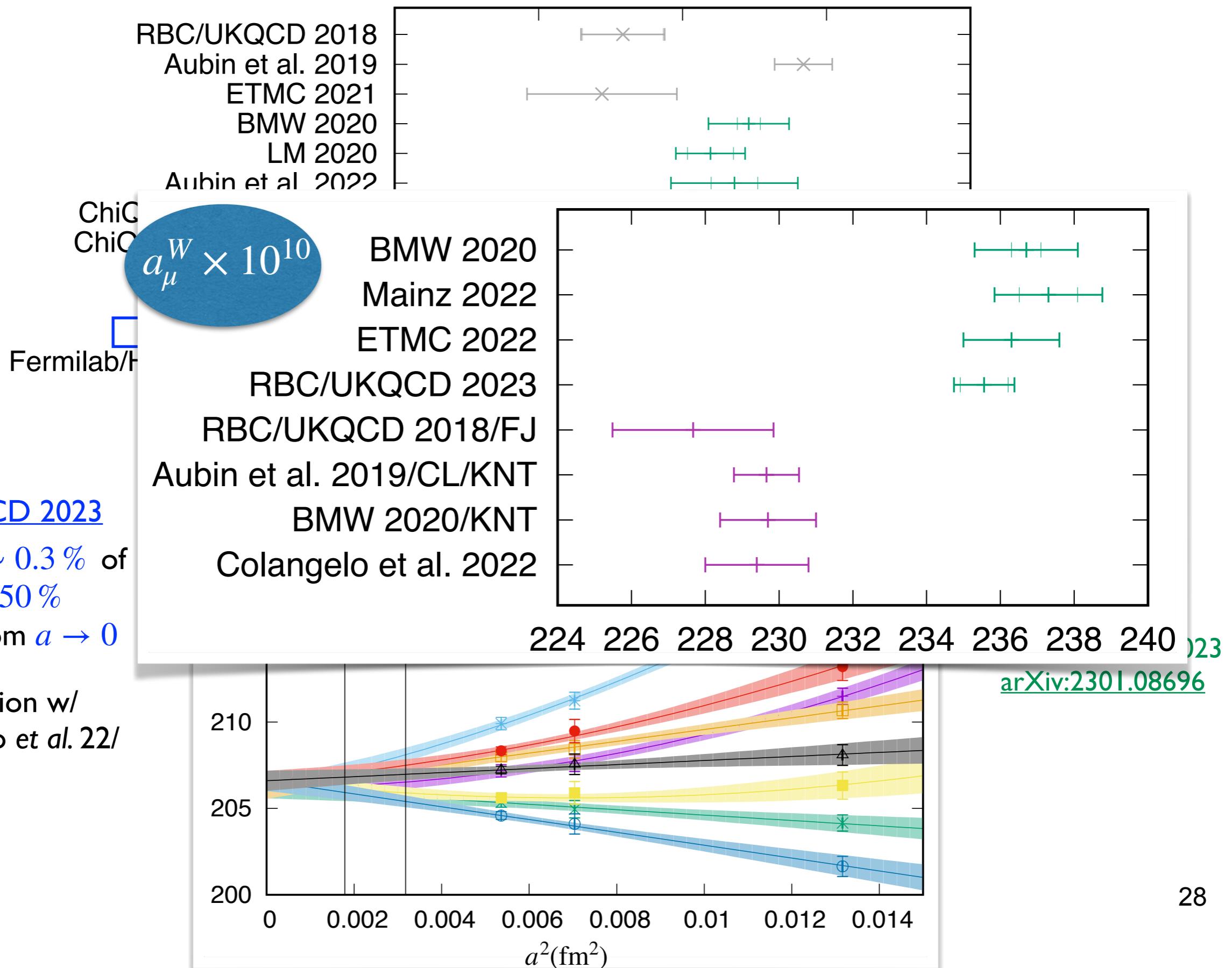
# Results for the intermediate window



# Results for the intermediate window



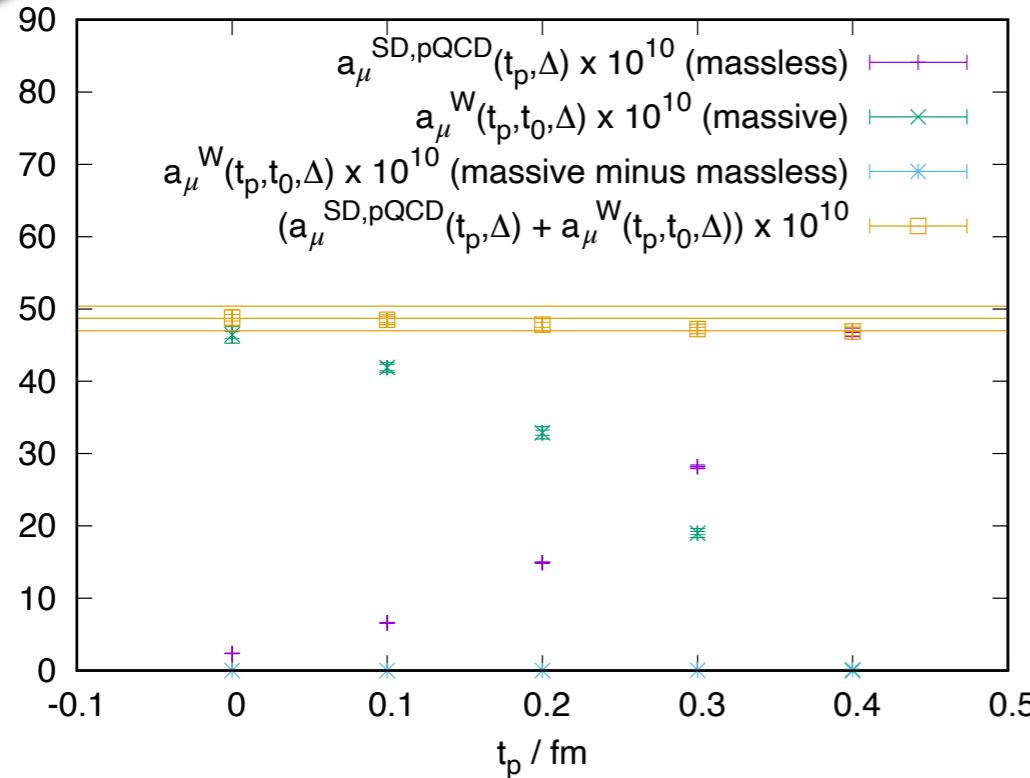
# Results for the intermediate window



# Other windows

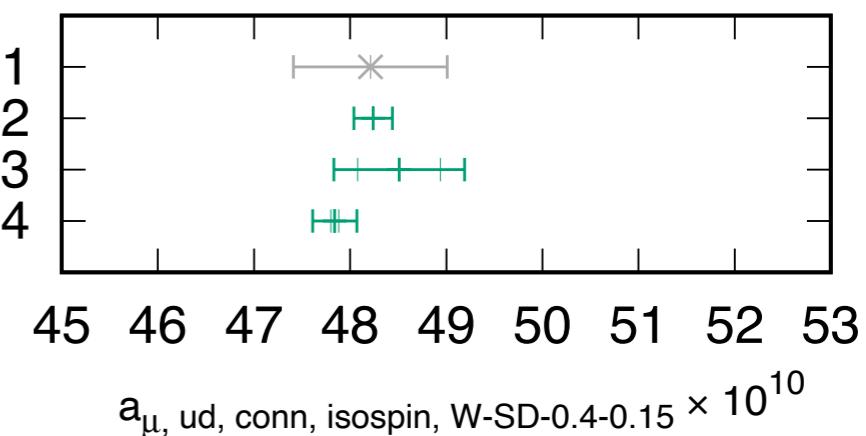
SD

plot from RBC/UKQCD '23



- dominated by perturbation theory
- large cutoff effects

ETMC 2021  
ETMC 2022  
RBC/UKQCD 2023  
Mainz 2024

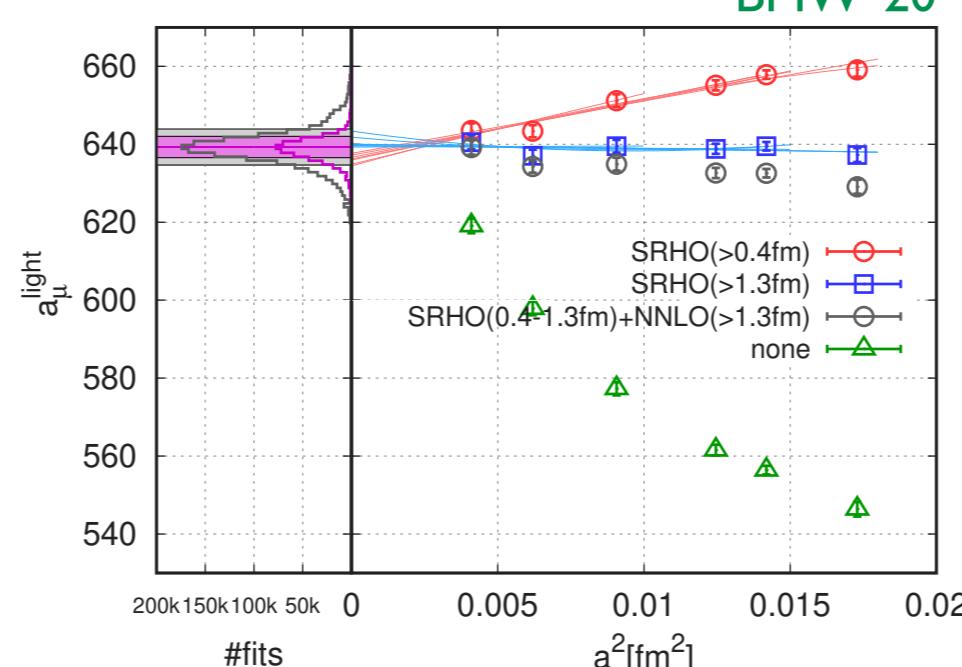


LD

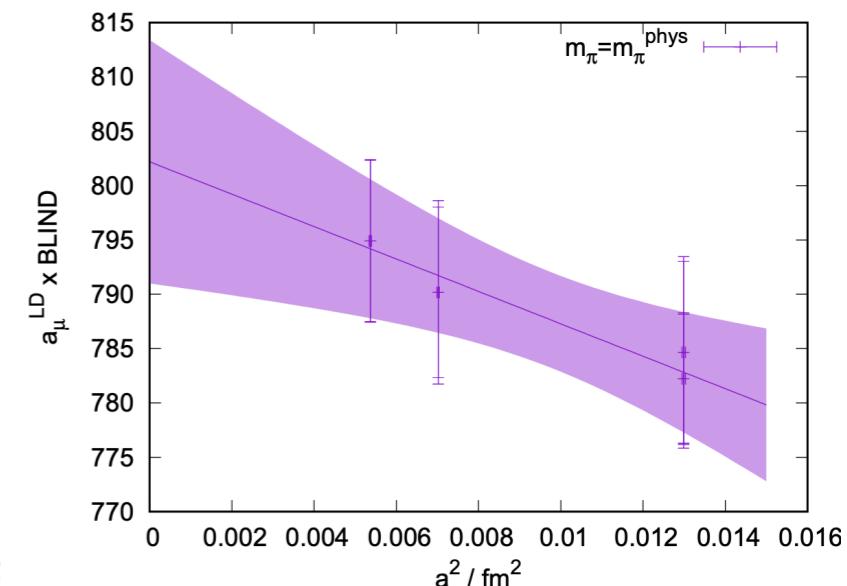
large FV effects +  
StN problem

continuum limit in BMW20  
calculation is non trivial

sub-percent accuracy goal



RBC/UKQCD - blind, preliminary

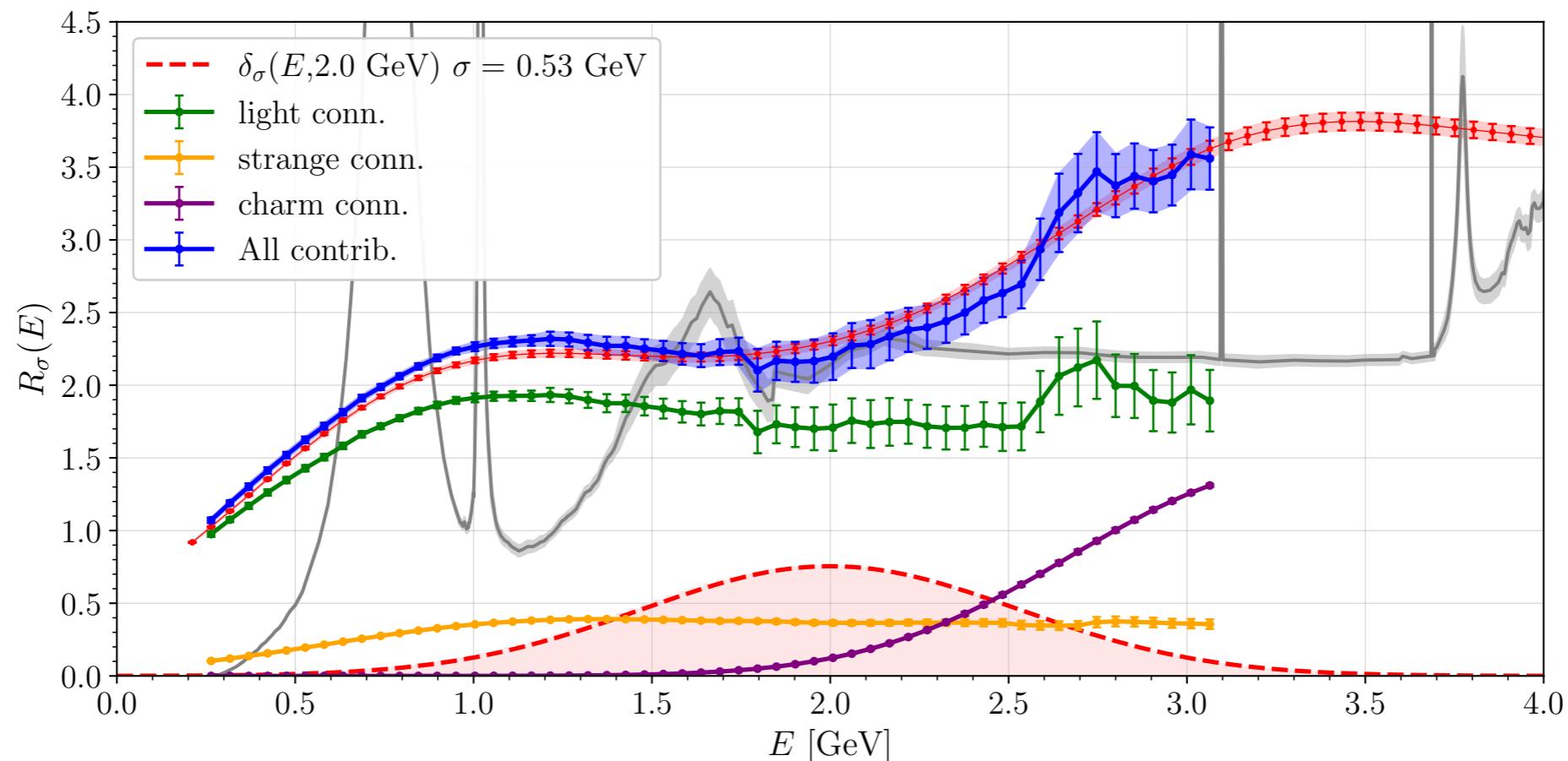


# Probing the $R$ -ratio on the lattice

$R_\sigma(E)$ : preliminary results

$$R_\sigma(E) = \int_{2M_\pi}^{\infty} d\omega \delta_\sigma(\omega, E) R(\omega) \quad \delta_\sigma(\omega, E) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{-(\omega-E)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

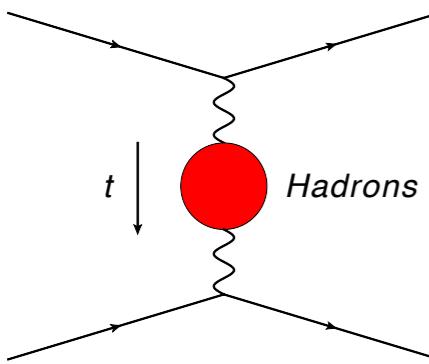
$R_\sigma(E)$  from  $e^+e^-$  data



- Uncertainty coming mostly from light quark contributions, strange & charm ones are very precise
- Disconnected contributions are tiny and cannot be appreciated on this scale

# **Connections to the MUonE Experiment**

# MUonE



$$t(x) \equiv -\frac{x^2}{1-x} m_\mu^2$$

B. E. Lautrup *et al.* 1972

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} = \frac{\alpha_{em}}{\pi} \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \Delta \alpha_{em}^{\text{HVP}} [t(x)]$$

$\sigma(\mu e \rightarrow \mu e)$

$x \in [0.93, 1]$  not experimentally reached

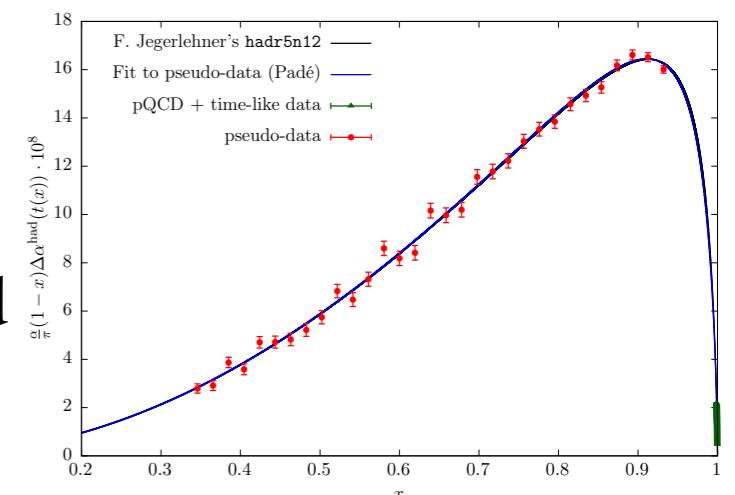
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LQCD

$$[a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}]_> = 4 \alpha_{em}^2 \int_0^\infty dt \tilde{f}_>(t) V(t) \quad \rightarrow \quad [a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}]_> = 92(2) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

quark-connected  
terms only

Uncertainty ( $\simeq 2 \cdot 10^{-10}$ ) close to the experimental statistical target ( $\simeq 0.3\%$ ) of  $[a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}]_<$



DG and S. Simula 2019

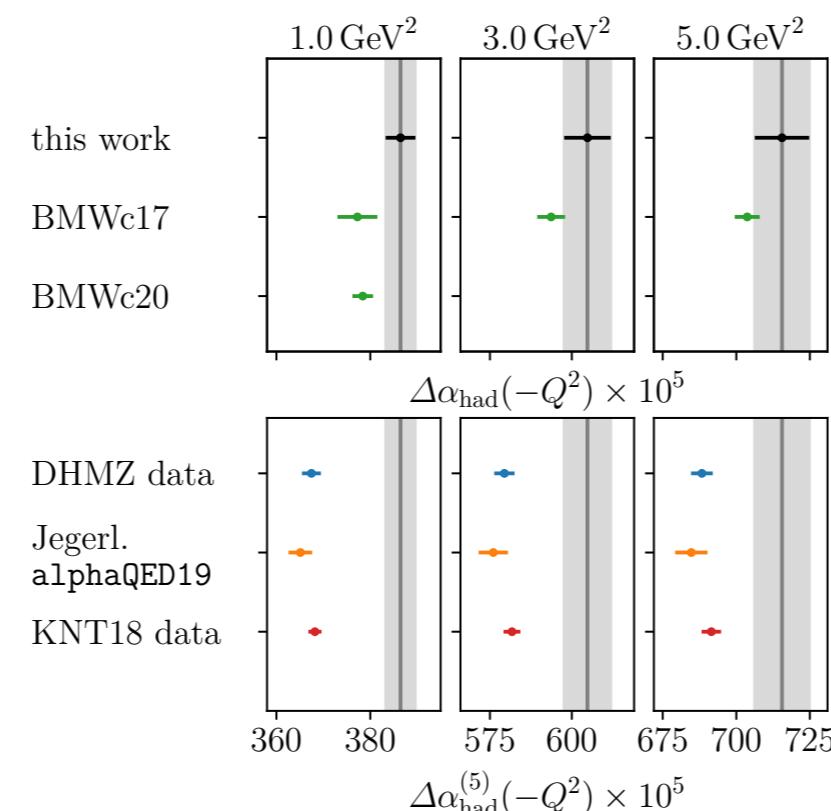
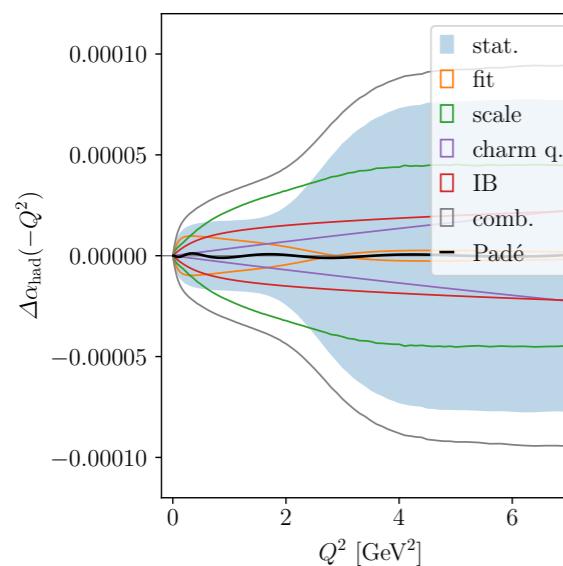
# Hadronic running of $\alpha_{em}$ from the lattice

## Lattice result for the hadronic running of $\alpha$

[Cè et al., arXiv:2203.08676]

**Starting point:** Results for  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(-Q^2)$  for Euclidean momenta  $0 \leq Q^2 \leq 7 \text{ GeV}^2$  [T. San José, TUE 17:10]

Rational approximation:



- Mainz/CLS and BMWc (2017) differ by 2–3% at the level of  $1\text{--}2\sigma$
- Tension between Mainz/CLS and phenomenology by  $\sim 3\sigma$  for  $Q^2 \gtrsim 3 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Tension increases to  $\gtrsim 5\sigma$  for  $Q^2 \lesssim 2 \text{ GeV}^2$   
(smaller statistical error due to ansatz for continuum extrapolation)

Systematic uncertainties from fit ansatz, scale setting, charm quenching, isospin-breaking and missing bottom quark contribution (five flavour theory) included in error budget

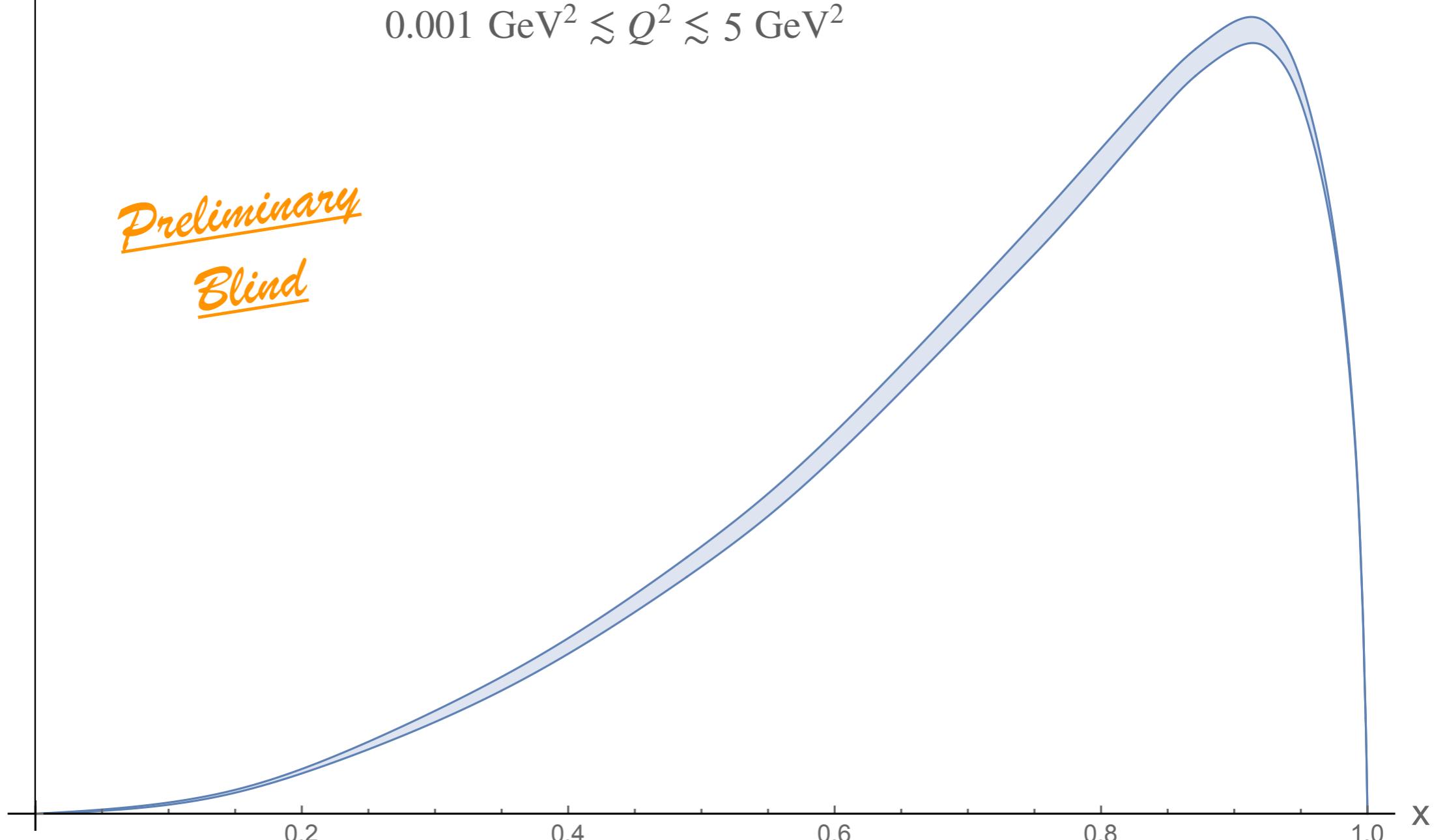
# Hadronic running of $\alpha_{em}$ from the lattice

$$(1-x)\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{\text{ud,conn,iso}}\left(\frac{x^2 m_\mu^2}{x-1}\right)$$

$$Q^2 = \frac{x^2 m_\mu^2}{1-x}$$

$$0.001 \text{ GeV}^2 \lesssim Q^2 \lesssim 5 \text{ GeV}^2$$

Preliminary  
Blind



# Summary and Outlook

- Tremendous progress in lattice calculations of HVP (and HLbL!) contributions
- Sub-percent calculation by BMW must be checked and impressive efforts from various lattice collaborations are in progress
- An update of the White Paper is aimed for late 2024
- Benchmark quantities (windows) crucial for checking the internal consistency of lattice calculations. For  $a_\mu^W$  a new puzzle arises: remarkable agreement between lattice calculations but significant tension with dispersive prediction
- Extend calculation of window quantities to individual flavor and quark-disconnected contributions. Reach better precision for isospin-breaking contr.
- Extend comparison with phenomenological analyses to understand discrepancies. Clarify tensions in  $\pi^+\pi^-$  BaBar, KLOE, CMD3
- $\mu e \rightarrow \mu e$  experiment MUonE very important for experimental cross-check and complementarity w/ LQCD

