

# Hadronic light-by-light scattering in the muon $g - 2$

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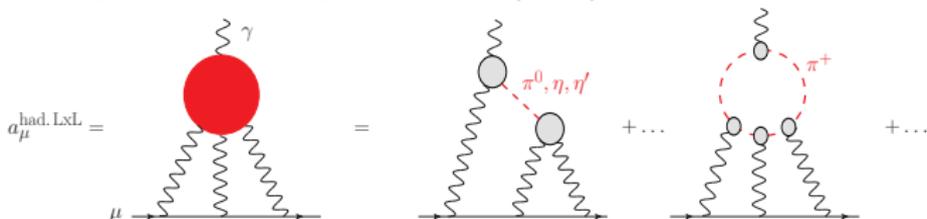
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## Outline

- Introduction: Hadronic light-by-light scattering (HLbL) in the muon  $g - 2$
- Current status: Model calculations
- Model-independent approaches:
  1. HLbL from dispersion relations (data driven approach)  
(Theory Talks on Thursday by Danilkin, Kubis, Pauk, Colangelo)
  2. HLbL from Lattice QCD  
(Talks on Thursday by Wittig, Lehner)
- Conclusions and Outlook

# Hadronic light-by-light scattering

HLbL in muon  $g - 2$  from strong interactions (QCD):



Coupling of photons to **hadrons**, e.g.  $\pi^0$ , via **form factor**:

- Relevant scales ( $\langle VVV \rangle$  with offshell photons):  $0 - 2 \text{ GeV} \gg m_{\mu}$  (hadronic resonance region)
- **View before 2014:** in contrast to HVP, **no direct relation to experimental data**  $\rightarrow$  **size and even sign of HLbL contribution to  $a_{\mu}$  unknown!**
- Approach: use **hadronic model at low energies** with **exchanges and loops of resonances** and some **(dressed) "quark-loop" at high energies**.
- **Constrain models** using **experimental data** (processes of hadrons with photons: decays, form factors, scattering) and **theory** (ChPT at low energies; short-distance constraints from pQCD / OPE at high momenta).
- **Problems:** Four-point function  $\Pi_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}(q_1, q_2, q_3)$  involves many **Lorentz structures that depend on several invariant momenta**  $\Rightarrow$  distinction between low and high energies not as easy as for two-point function in HVP.  
**Mixed regions:** one loop momentum  $Q_1^2$  large, the other  $Q_2^2$  small and vice versa.

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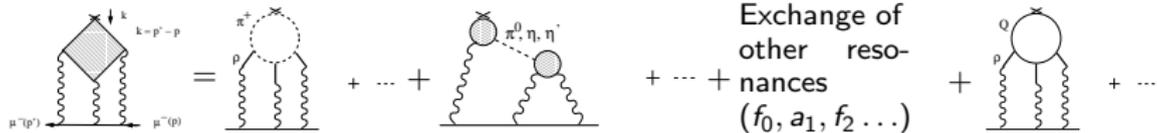
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- Recent new proposal: Colangelo et al. '14, '15; Pauk, Vanderhaeghen '14: use dispersion relations (DR) to connect contribution to HLbL from presumably numerically dominant light pseudoscalars to in principle measurable form factors and cross-sections (no data yet !):

$$\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0, \eta, \eta'; \pi^+ \pi^-, \pi^0 \pi^0$$

Could connect HLbL uncertainty to exp. measurement errors, like HVP.

- Future: HLbL from Lattice QCD (model-independent, first-principle).  
First steps and results: Blum et al. (RBC-UKQCD) '05, ..., '15, '16, '17.  
Work ongoing by Mainz group: Green et al. '15; Asmussen et al. '16, '17.

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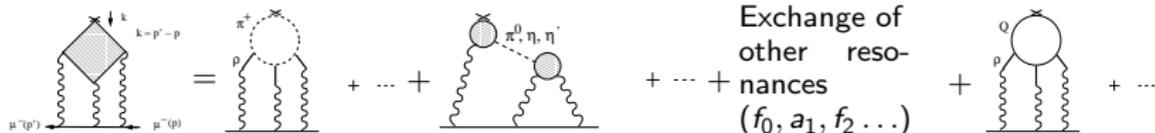
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Exchange of other resonances ( $f_0, a_1, f_2 \dots$ )

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Contribution to  $a_{\mu} \times 10^{11}$ :

BPP: +83 (32)

-19 (13)

HKS: +90 (15)

-5 (8)

KN: +80 (40)

MV: +136 (25)

0 (10)

2007: +110 (40)

PdRV: +105 (26)

-19 (19)

N,JN: +116 (39)

-19 (13)

ud.: -45

+85 (13)

+83 (6)

+83 (12)

+114 (10)

+114 (13)

+99 (16)

ud.:  $+\infty$

-4 (3) [ $f_0, a_1$ ]

+1.7 (1.7) [ $a_1$ ]

+22 (5) [ $a_1$ ]

+8 (12) [ $f_0, a_1$ ]

+15 (7) [ $f_0, a_1$ ]

+21 (3)

+10 (11)

0

+2.3 [c-quark]

+21 (3)

ud.: +60

ud. = undressed, i.e. point vertices without form factors

Recall (in units of  $10^{-11}$ ):  $\delta a_{\mu}(\text{HVP}) \approx 30 - 40$ ;  $\delta a_{\mu}(\text{exp [BNL]}) = 63$ ;  $\delta a_{\mu}(\text{future exp}) = 16$

Pseudoscalars  $\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$ : numerically dominant contribution (according to most models!). Other contributions not negligible. Cancellation between (dressed)  $\pi$ -loop and (dressed) quark-loop!

BPP = Bijnens, Pallante, Prades '96, '02; HKS = Hayakawa, Kinoshita, Sanda '96, '98, '02; KN = Knecht, AN '02; MV = Melnikov, Vainshtein '04; 2007 = Bijnens, Prades; Miller, de Rafael, Roberts; PdRV = Prades, de Rafael, Vainshtein '09 (compilation; Glasgow consensus); N,JN = AN '09; Jegerlehner, AN '09 (compilation)

## HLbL in muon $g - 2$ : model calculations (continued)

Contribution	BPP	HKS, HK	KN	MV	BP, MdRR	PdRV	N, JN
$\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$	$85 \pm 13$	$82.7 \pm 6.4$	$83 \pm 12$	$114 \pm 10$	—	$114 \pm 13$	$99 \pm 16$
axial vectors	$2.5 \pm 1.0$	$1.7 \pm 1.7$	—	$22 \pm 5$	—	$15 \pm 10$	$22 \pm 5$
scalars	$-6.8 \pm 2.0$	—	—	—	—	$-7 \pm 7$	$-7 \pm 2$
$\pi, K$ loops	$-19 \pm 13$	$-4.5 \pm 8.1$	—	—	—	$-19 \pm 19$	$-19 \pm 13$
$\pi, K$ loops +subl. $N_C$	—	—	—	$0 \pm 10$	—	—	—
quark loops	$21 \pm 3$	$9.7 \pm 11.1$	—	—	—	$2.3$ (c-quark)	$21 \pm 3$
Total	$83 \pm 32$	$89.6 \pm 15.4$	$80 \pm 40$	$136 \pm 25$	$110 \pm 40$	$105 \pm 26$	$116 \pm 39$

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- PdRV (Glasgow consensus): Do not consider dressed light quark loops as separate contribution.** Assume it is already taken into account by using short-distance constraint of MV '04 on pseudoscalar-pole contribution (no form factor at external vertex). **Added all errors in quadrature.**
- N, JN: New evaluation of pseudoscalar exchange contribution imposing new short-distance constraint on off-shell form factors.** Took over most values from BPP, except axial vectors from MV. **Added all errors linearly.**
- Note that recent reevaluations of axial vector contribution lead to much smaller estimates than in MV:  $a_\mu^{\text{HLbL};\text{axial}} = (8 \pm 3) \times 10^{-11}$  (Pauk, Vanderhaeghen '14; Jegerlehner '14, '15). This would shift central values of compilations downwards:

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = (98 \pm 26) \times 10^{-11} \quad (\text{PdRV})$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = (102 \pm 39) \times 10^{-11} \quad (\text{N, JN})$$

## Model calculations of HLbL: other recent developments

- First estimate for tensor mesons (Pauk, Vanderhaeghen '14):

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\text{tensor}} = 1 \times 10^{-11}$$

- **Dressed pion-loop**

Potentially important effect from pion polarizability and  $a_1$  resonance

(Engel, Patel, Ramsey-Musolf '12; Engel '13; Engel, Ramsey-Musolf '13)

Maybe large negative contribution, in contrast to BPP '96, HKS '96:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi\text{-loop}} = -(11 - 71) \times 10^{-11}$$

Not confirmed by recent reanalysis by Bijmans, Relefors '15, '16. Essentially get again old central value from BPP, but smaller error estimate:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi\text{-loop}} = (-20 \pm 5) \times 10^{-11}$$

Hopefully new dispersive approaches can settle the issue without the use of models (Colangelo et al.; Danilkin, Pauk, Vanderhaeghen).

- **Dressed quark-loop**

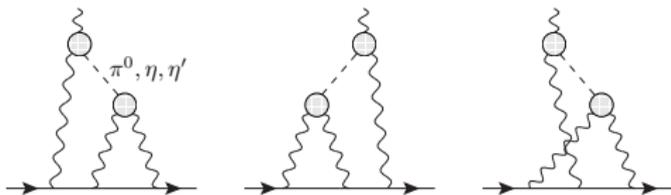
Dyson-Schwinger equation approach (Fischer, Goetze, Williams '11, '13)

Large contribution, no damping seen, in contrast to BPP '96, HKS '96:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\text{quark-loop}} = 107 \times 10^{-11} \quad (\text{Incomplete calculation !})$$

More general questions: How to get proper matching of models with perturbative QCD ? How to avoid double-counting of dressed quark-loop with hadronic contributions ?

## Pion-pole contribution to $a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0}$ (analogously for $\eta, \eta'$ )



$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0} = \left(\frac{\alpha_e}{\pi}\right)^3 \left( a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0(1)} + a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0(2)} \right)$$

where [Jegerlehner, AN '09]

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0(1)} = \int_0^{\infty} dQ_1 \int_0^{\infty} dQ_2 \int_{-1}^1 d\tau w_1(Q_1, Q_2, \tau) \mathcal{F}_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(-Q_1^2, -(Q_1+Q_2)^2) \mathcal{F}_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(-Q_2^2, 0)$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0(2)} = \int_0^{\infty} dQ_1 \int_0^{\infty} dQ_2 \int_{-1}^1 d\tau w_2(Q_1, Q_2, \tau) \mathcal{F}_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(-Q_1^2, -Q_2^2) \mathcal{F}_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(-(Q_1+Q_2)^2, 0)$$

$w_{1,2}(Q_1, Q_2, \tau)$  are **model-independent weight functions** which are concentrated at small momenta [AN '16]. Multiply the double- and single-virtual **pion transition form factors (TFF's)**.

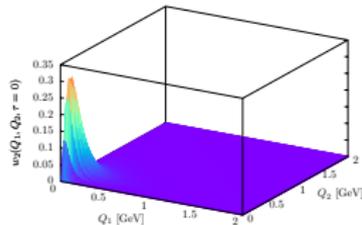
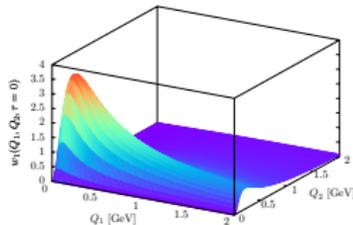
3-dim. integration over lengths  $Q_i = |(Q_i)_{\mu}|, i = 1, 2$  of the two Euclidean momenta and angle  $\theta$  between them:  $Q_1 \cdot Q_2 = Q_1 Q_2 \cos \theta$  with  $\tau = \cos \theta$ . Note in arguments of form factors:  $(Q_1 + Q_2)^2 \equiv Q_1^2 + 2Q_1 \cdot Q_2 + Q_2^2 = Q_1^2 + 2Q_1 Q_2 \tau + Q_2^2$ .

**Generalization to full HLbL tensor** (Master formula from Colangelo et al. '15):

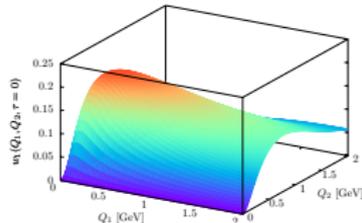
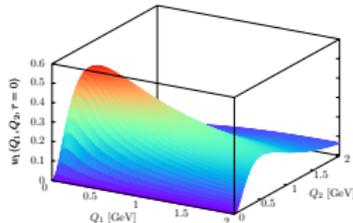
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = \frac{2\alpha^3}{3\pi^2} \int_0^{\infty} dQ_1 \int_0^{\infty} dQ_2 \int_{-1}^1 d\tau \sqrt{1-\tau^2} Q_1^3 Q_2^3 \sum_{i=1}^{12} T_i(Q_1, Q_2, \tau) \tilde{\Pi}_i(Q_1, Q_2, \tau)$$

## $a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};P}$ : relevant momentum regions and results from models

Model-independent weight functions  $w_{1,2}(Q_1, Q_2, \tau)$  for  $\pi^0$  with  $\theta = 90^\circ$  ( $\tau = 0$ ):



Model-independent weight functions  $w_1(Q_1, Q_2, \tau)$  for  $\eta$  (left) and  $\eta'$  (right):



- Relevant momentum regions below 1 GeV for  $\pi^0$ , below 1.5 – 2 GeV for  $\eta, \eta'$ .
- $w_1$ : behavior for large  $Q_1$  corresponds to OPE limit in first TFF  $\sim 1/Q_1^2$ .
- Most model calculations for light pseudoscalars (poles or exchanges) agree at level of 15%, but full range of estimates (central values) much larger:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};\pi^0} = (50 - 80) \times 10^{-11} = (65 \pm 15) \times 10^{-11} \quad (\pm 23\%)$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL};P} = (59 - 114) \times 10^{-11} = (87 \pm 27) \times 10^{-11} \quad (\pm 31\%)$$

- Hopefully soon DR approach to TFF's (Hoferichter et al. '14; Talk Kubis), data on  $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi^0, \eta, \eta'$  (AN '16; Talk Redmer) and lattice QCD calculations of TFF's (Gérardin, Meyer, AN '16) can give precise and model-independent results.

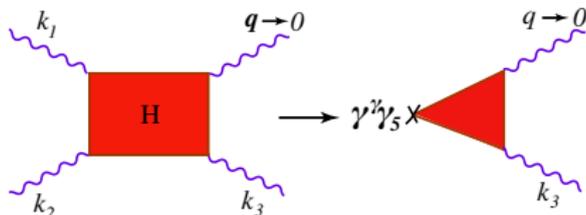
## Short-distance constraint from OPE on HLbL in $g - 2$

Melnikov; Vainshtein '04, further explanations in Prades, de Rafael, Vainshtein '09.

In HLbL contribution to  $g - 2$  consider OPE limit  $k_1^2 \approx k_2^2 \gg k_3^2$  and  $k_1^2 \approx k_2^2 \gg m_\rho^2$ :

$$\int d^4 x_1 \int d^4 x_2 e^{-ik_1 \cdot x_1 - ik_2 \cdot x_2} j_\nu(x_1) j_\rho(x_2) = \frac{2}{\hat{k}^2} \epsilon_{\nu\rho\delta\gamma} \hat{k}^\delta \int d^4 z e^{-ik_3 \cdot z} j_5^\gamma(z) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\hat{k}^3}\right)$$

$j_5^\gamma = \sum_q Q_q^2 \bar{q} \gamma^\gamma \gamma_5 q$  is the axial current,  $\hat{k} = (k_1 - k_2)/2 \approx k_1 \approx -k_2$



- Strong constraints from the  **$\langle AVV \rangle$  triangle diagram** (non-renormalization theorems: Adler, Bardeen '69; 't Hooft '80; Vainshtein '03; Knecht et al. '04).
- At large  $k_1^2, k_2^2$  the pseudoscalar and axial-vector exchanges dominate in HLbL.
- Constraints seem to imply that in **pion-pole contribution** there is **no pion transition form factor at external vertex**  $\Rightarrow$  **enhanced contribution**.
- **Saturation of this QCD short-distance constraint by pion-pole alone** as suggested by Melnikov, Vainshtein '04 is, however, only a **model ansatz** !
- **Only sum of all contributions to HLbL**, i.e. exchanges and loops of resonances, has to match the QCD constraint from OPE / pQCD (global quark-hadron duality). See also Dorokhov, Broniowski '08; Greynat, de Rafael '12.

# Data-driven approach to HLbL using dispersion relations

Strategy: Split contributions to HLbL into two parts:

I: **Data-driven evaluation using DR** (hopefully numerically dominant):

- (1)  $\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$  poles
- (2)  $\pi\pi$  intermediate state

II: **Model dependent evaluation** (hopefully numerically subdominant):

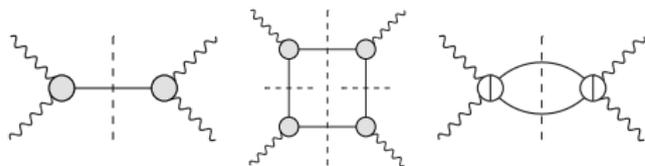
- (1) Axial vectors ( $3\pi$ -intermediate state), ...
- (2) Quark-loop, matching with pQCD

**Error goals:** Part I: 10% precision (data driven), Part II: 30% precision.

To achieve overall error of about 20% ( $\delta a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = 20 \times 10^{-11}$ ).

Colangelo et al. '14, '15:

Classify intermediate states in 4-point function. Then project onto  $g - 2$ .

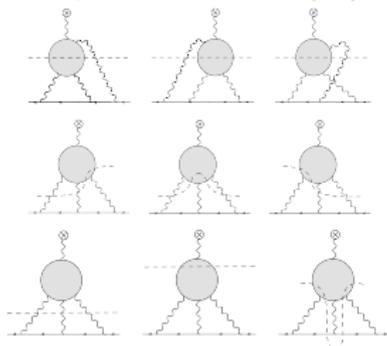


Colangelo et al. '17: **pion-box** contribution (middle diagram) using precise information on pion vector form factor and  $S$ -wave  $\pi\pi$ -rescattering effects from pion-pole in left-hand cut (LHC) (part of right diagram):

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_\mu^{\pi\text{-box}} &= -15.9(2) \times 10^{-11} \\
 a_{\mu, J=0}^{\pi\pi, \pi\text{-pole LHC}} &= -8(1) \times 10^{-11} \\
 \text{Sum of the two} &= -24(1) \times 10^{-11}
 \end{aligned}$$

Pauk, Vanderhaeghen '14:

DR directly for Pauli FF  $F_2(k^2)$ .



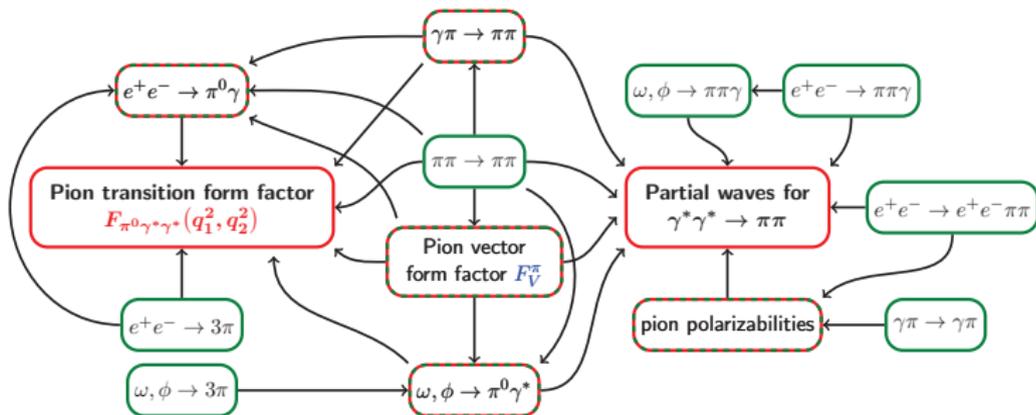
**HLbL sum rules** to get constraints from **experimental data** or **lattice QCD** on models: Pascalutsa, Vanderhaeghen '10; Pascalutsa, Pauk, Vanderhaeghen '12; **Green et al. '15**; Danilkin, Vanderhaeghen '17

# Data-driven approach to HLbL using dispersion relations (continued)

Intro HLbL: gauge & crossing HLbL dispersive Conclusions

## Hadronic light-by-light: a roadmap

GC, Hoferichter, Kubis, Procura, Stoffer arXiv:1408.2517 (PLB '14)



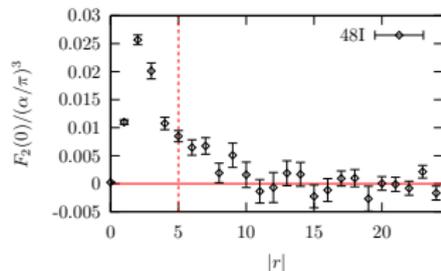
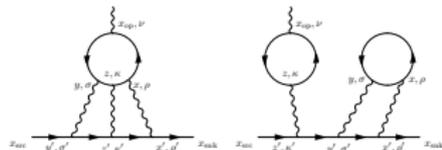
Artwork by M. Hoferichter

A reliable evaluation of the HLbL requires many different contributions by and a collaboration among theorists and experimentalists

From talk by Colangelo at Radio Monte Carlo Meeting, Frascati, May 2016

# HLbL in muon $g - 2$ from Lattice QCD: RBC-UKQCD approach

- Blum et al. '05, ..., '15: First attempts: Put QCD + (quenched) QED on the lattice. Subtraction of lower-order in  $\alpha$  HVP contribution needed, very noisy.
- Jin et al. '15, '16, '17: Step by step improvement of method to reduce statistical error by one or two orders of magnitude and remove some systematic errors.
- Calculate  $a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} = F_2(q^2 = 0)$  via moment method in position-space (no extrapolation to  $q^2 = 0$  needed).
- Use exact expression for all photon propagators. Treat  $r = x - y$  stochastically by sampling points  $x, y$ . Found empirically: short-distance contribution at small  $|r| < 0.6$  fm dominates.



**Results** (for  $m_\pi = m_{\pi, \text{phys}}$ , lattice spacing  $a^{-1} = 1.73$  GeV,  $L = 5.5$  fm):

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_\mu^{\text{cHLbL}} &= (116.0 \pm 9.6) \times 10^{-11} && \text{(quark-connected diagrams)} \\
 a_\mu^{\text{dHLbL}} &= (-62.5 \pm 8.0) \times 10^{-11} && \text{(leading quark-disconnected diagrams)} \\
 a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} &= (53.5 \pm 13.5) \times 10^{-11}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Beware ! Statistical error only !** Missing systematic effects:

- Expect large finite-volume effects from QED  $\sim 1/L^2$ . Blum et al. '17: use infinite volume, continuum QED (like Mainz approach: Asmussen et al. '16).
- Expect large finite-lattice-spacing effects.
- Omitted subleading quark-disconnected diagrams (10% effect ?).

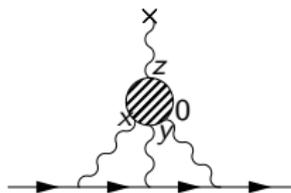
# HLbL in muon $g - 2$ from Lattice QCD: Mainz approach

Developed independently (Asmussen, Green, Meyer, AN '15, '16, '17)

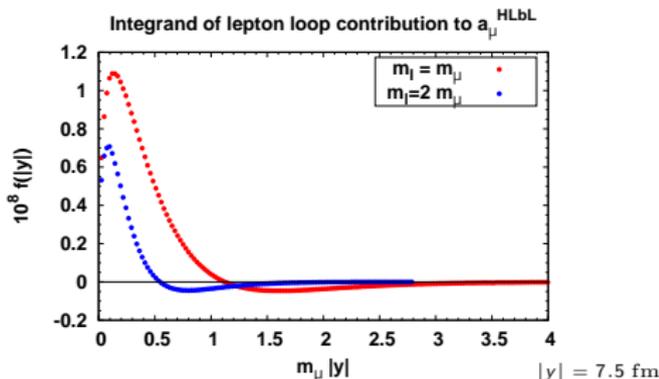
Master formula in position-space:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = \frac{me^6}{3} \int d^4 y \left[ \int d^4 x \underbrace{\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_{[\rho, \sigma]; \mu\nu\lambda}(x, y)}_{\text{QED}} \underbrace{i\hat{\Pi}_{\rho; \mu\nu\lambda\sigma}(x, y)}_{\text{QCD}} \right]$$

$$i\hat{\Pi}_{\rho; \mu\nu\lambda\sigma}(x, y) = - \int d^4 z z_{\rho} \langle j_{\mu}(x) j_{\nu}(y) j_{\sigma}(z) j_{\lambda}(0) \rangle$$



- Semi-analytical calculation of QED kernel.
- QED kernel computed in continuum and in infinite volume (Lorentz covariance manifest, no power law  $1/L^2$  finite-volume effects).
- Kernel parametrized by 6 weight functions (and derivatives thereof), calculated on 3D grid in  $|x|, |y|, x \cdot y$  and stored on disk.
- Test of QED kernel function: pion-pole contribution, lepton loop.
- Result for pion-pole contribution with VMD model agrees with known results for  $m_{\pi} > 300$  MeV. Need already rather large lattice size  $> 4$  fm for smaller pion masses.
- Analytical result for lepton loop (QED) with  $m_{\text{loop}} = m_{\mu}, 2m_{\mu}$  is reproduced at the percent level.



## Conclusions and Outlook

- $a_\mu$ : Test of Standard Model, potential window to New Physics.
- Current situation:

$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = (309 \pm 82) \times 10^{-11} \quad [3.8 \sigma]$$

Hadronic effects ? Sign of New Physics ?

- Frequently-used **model-estimates for HLbL** (updated axial-vectors):

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- Two new  $g - 2$  experiments at Fermilab (E989) and J-PARC (E34) with goal of  $\delta a_\mu^{\text{exp}} = 16 \times 10^{-11}$  (factor 4 improvement)
- **Theory for HLbL needs to match this precision !**
- **Concerted effort needed** of **experiments** (measuring processes with hadrons and photons), **phenomenology / theory** (data-driven using dispersion relations, matching with QCD short-distance constraints and modelling) and **lattice QCD** to **improve HLbL estimate with reliable uncertainty**.
- **Muon  $g - 2$  Theory Initiative (Working Group on HLbL)** (Talk El-Khadra)  
First Workshop recently near Fermilab, more to come in future.

Backup slides

## Muon $g - 2$ : current status

Contribution	$a_\mu \times 10^{11}$	Reference
QED (leptons)	116 584 718.853 $\pm$ 0.036	Aoyama et al. '12
Electroweak	153.6 $\pm$ 1.0	Gnendiger et al. '13
HVP: LO	6889.1 $\pm$ 35.2	Jegerlehner '15
NLO	-99.2 $\pm$ 1.0	Jegerlehner '15
NNLO	12.4 $\pm$ 0.1	Kurz et al. '14
HLbL	102 $\pm$ 39	Jegerlehner '15 (JN '09)
NLO	3 $\pm$ 2	Colangelo et al. '14
Theory (SM)	116 591 780 $\pm$ 53	
Experiment	116 592 089 $\pm$ 63	Bennett et al. '06
Experiment - Theory	309 $\pm$ 82	3.8 $\sigma$

Discrepancy a sign of New Physics ?

Hadronic uncertainties need to be better controlled in order to fully profit from future  $g - 2$  experiments at Fermilab (E989) and J-PARC (E34) with  $\delta a_\mu = 16 \times 10^{-11}$ .

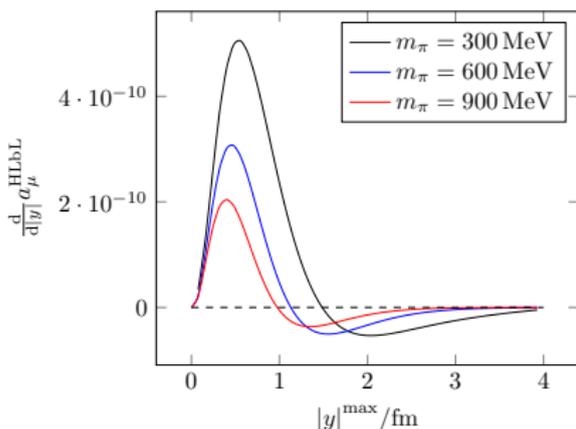
## Numerical test of QED kernel: Pion-pole contribution to $a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}}$

VMD model for pion transition form factor for illustration. Result for arbitrary pion mass can easily be obtained from 3-dimensional momentum-space representation (Jegerlehner + AN '09).

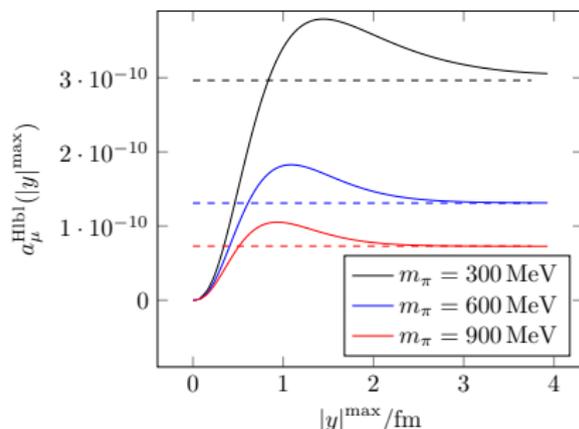
3-dim. integration in position space:

- $\int_y \rightarrow 2\pi^2 \int_0^\infty d|y| |y|^3$
- $\int_x \rightarrow 4\pi \int_0^\infty d|x| |x|^3 \int_0^\pi d\beta \sin^2\beta$  (cutoff for x integration:  $|x|^{\text{max}} = 4.05$  fm)

Integrand after integration over  $|x|, \beta$ :



Result for  $a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}}(|y|^{\text{max}})$ :



- All 6 weight functions contribute to final result, some only at the percent level.
- $|x|^{\text{max}}, |y|^{\text{max}} > 4$  fm needed for  $m_\pi < 300$  MeV.
- For the physical pion mass, one needs to go to very large values of  $|x|$  and  $|y|$ , i.e. very large lattice volumes, to reproduce known result of  $5.7 \cdot 10^{-10}$ .