

White Paper Summary: Lattice QCD calculations of the HVP



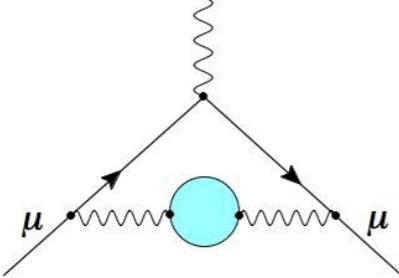
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Hadronic contributions to $(g-2)_\mu$

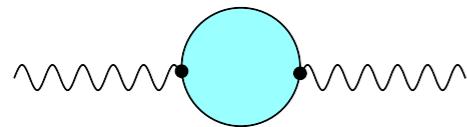
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Hadronic vacuum polarization



$$\hat{\Pi}(q^2) = \Pi(q^2) - \Pi(0)$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu} = \int d^4x e^{iqx} \langle j_\mu(x) j_\nu(0) \rangle = (q_\mu q_\nu - q^2 g_{\mu\nu}) \Pi(q^2)$$

Leading order HVP correction:

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int dq^2 \omega(q^2) \hat{\Pi}(q^2)$$

- Use optical theorem and dispersion relation to rewrite the integral in terms of the hadronic $e+e-$ cross section:

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} = \frac{m_\mu^2}{12\pi^3} \int ds \frac{\hat{K}(s)}{s} \sigma_{\text{exp}}(s)$$

- This talk: discuss $a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}$ calculated in lattice QCD

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Lattice HVP WP organization

I. Introduction

- A. The hadronic vacuum polarization
- B. Calculating and integrating $\Pi(q^2)$ to obtain a_μ
- C. Time moments
- D. Coordinate-space representation
- E. Common issues

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- A. Connected light-quark contribution $a_\mu^{\text{HLO}}(ud)$
 - 1. Statistical errors
 - 2. Finite volume effects and long-distance two-pion contributions
 - 3. Discretization and scale setting
 - 4. Chiral extrapolation/interpolation
- B. Connected strange and charm contributions $a_\mu^{\text{HLO}}(s), a_\mu^{\text{HLO}}(c), a_\mu^{\text{HLO}}(b)$
- C. Disconnected term [a_μ^{HLO} discussion]
- D. Strong and em IB contributions $\delta a_\mu^{\text{HLO}}$

III. Comparisons

- A. Comparison of total LO-HVP contribution
- B. Flavor-by-flavor comparison
- C. Toward lattice QCD consensus and permil-level precision

IV. Connections

- A. HVP from lattice QCD and the MUonE experiment
- B. HVP from tau decays
- C. Hadronic corrections to the running of α and $\sin^2 \theta_W$

V. Summary and conclusions

- A. Current status
- B. Lessons learned
- C. Expected progress in the next (2?) years

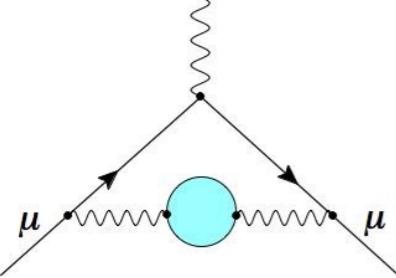
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K. Miura @ Lattice 2018
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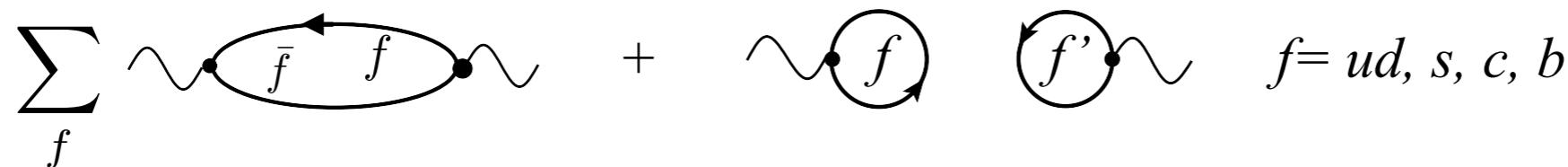
Lattice HVP: Introduction

Calculate a_μ^{HVP} in Lattice QCD:

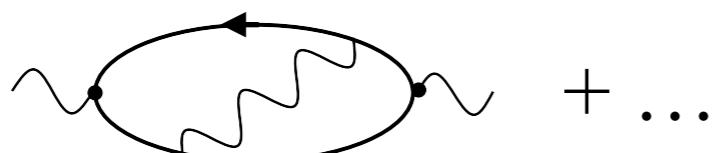
$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO}} \equiv a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} = \sum_f a_{\mu,f}^{\text{HVP,LO}} + a_{\mu,\text{disc}}^{\text{HVP,LO}}$$

- Separate into connected for each quark flavor + disconnected contributions (gluon and sea-quark background not shown in diagrams)

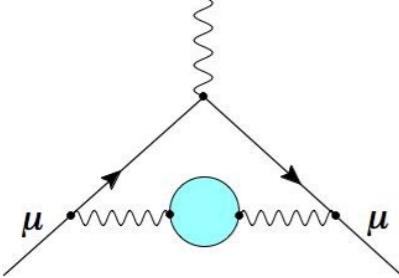
Note: almost always $m_u = m_d$



- need to add QED and strong isospin breaking ($\sim m_u - m_d$) corrections:

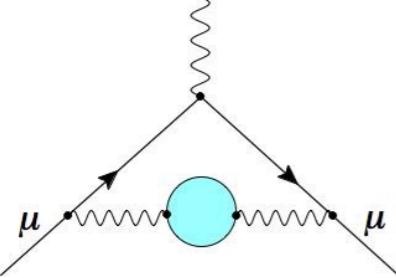


- either perturbatively on isospin symmetric QCD background
- or by using QCD + QED ensembles with $m_u \neq m_d$



Lattice HVP: Introduction

- Target: < 0.5% total error
- light-quark connected contribution, $a_{\mu,ud}^{\text{HLO}}$, is ~90% of total, with 1-3% error
- “heavy” flavor contributions, $a_{\mu,s}^{\text{HLO}}$, $a_{\mu,c}^{\text{HLO}}$, $a_{\mu,b}^{\text{HLO}}$ are ~8%, 2%, 0.05% of total a_{μ}^{HLO} , can be calculated with sufficient precision
- disconnected contribution is ~2% of total a_{μ}^{HLO} , contributes ~0.3-1% error to a_{μ}^{HLO}
- Challenges:
 - needs ensembles with (light sea) quark masses at their physical values
 - finite volume corrections, continuum extrapolation:
 - guided by EFT
 - include QED and strong isospin breaking corrections ($m_u \neq m_d$)
 - growth of statistical errors at large Euclidean times
 - noise reduction methods
 - include guidance from EFT
 - include two-pion channels into analysis



Methods

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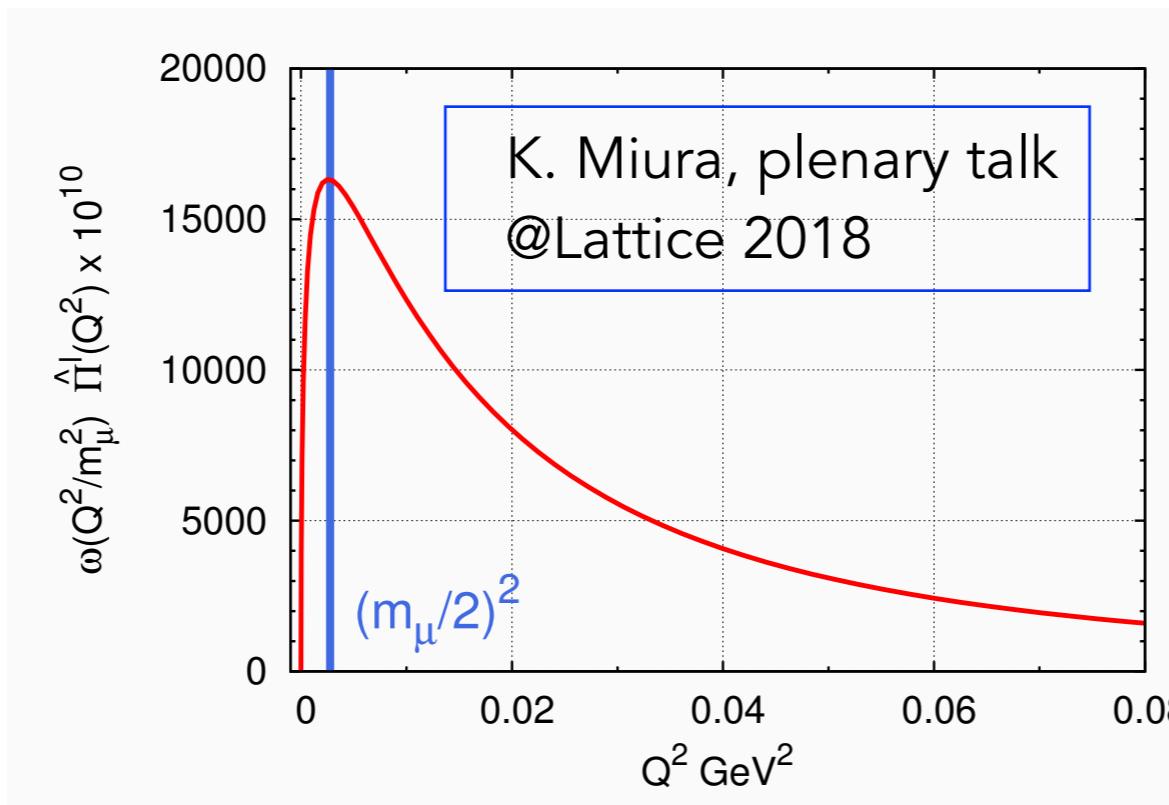
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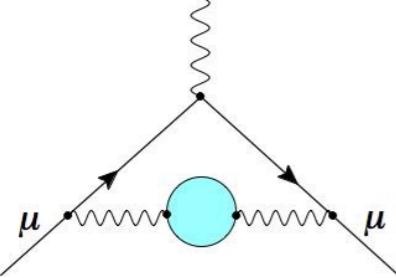
◆ Calculate $\hat{\Pi}(q^2)$ and evaluate the integral

[Blum, PRL 03, Lautrup et al, 71]

+ use Padé approximants to parameterize function at low q^2 .

[Aubin, Blum, Golterman, Peris, PRD12]





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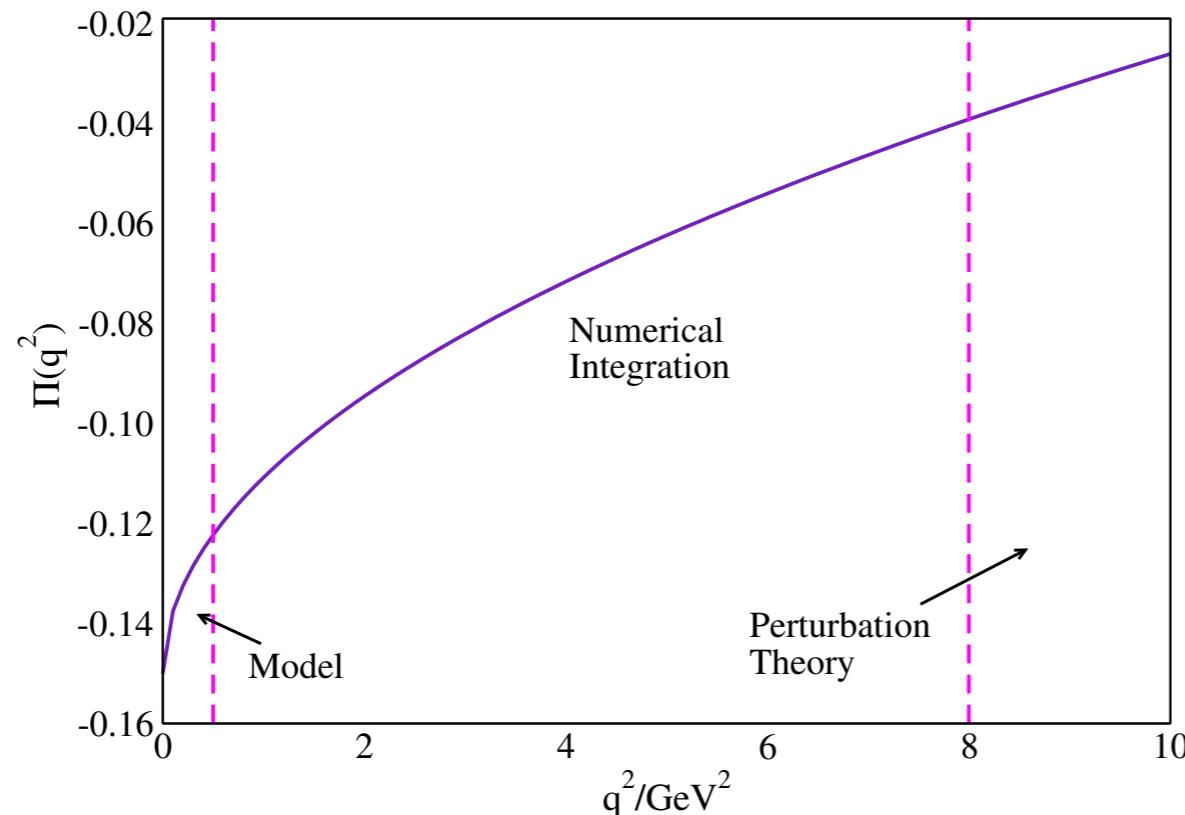
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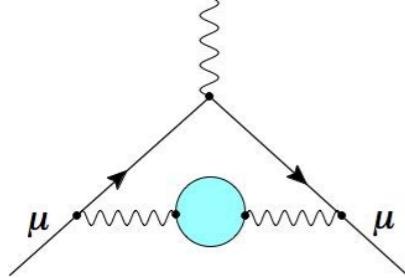
◆ Hybrid method

[Blum, Golterman, Maltman, Peris, [PRD14](#)]



- ▶ in low- q^2 region use Padé or conformal polynomials, ... (or MUonE results)
- ▶ in intermediate q^2 region integrate lattice data
- ▶ match to PT in high- q^2 region

see also Marinkovic
talk in MUonE session



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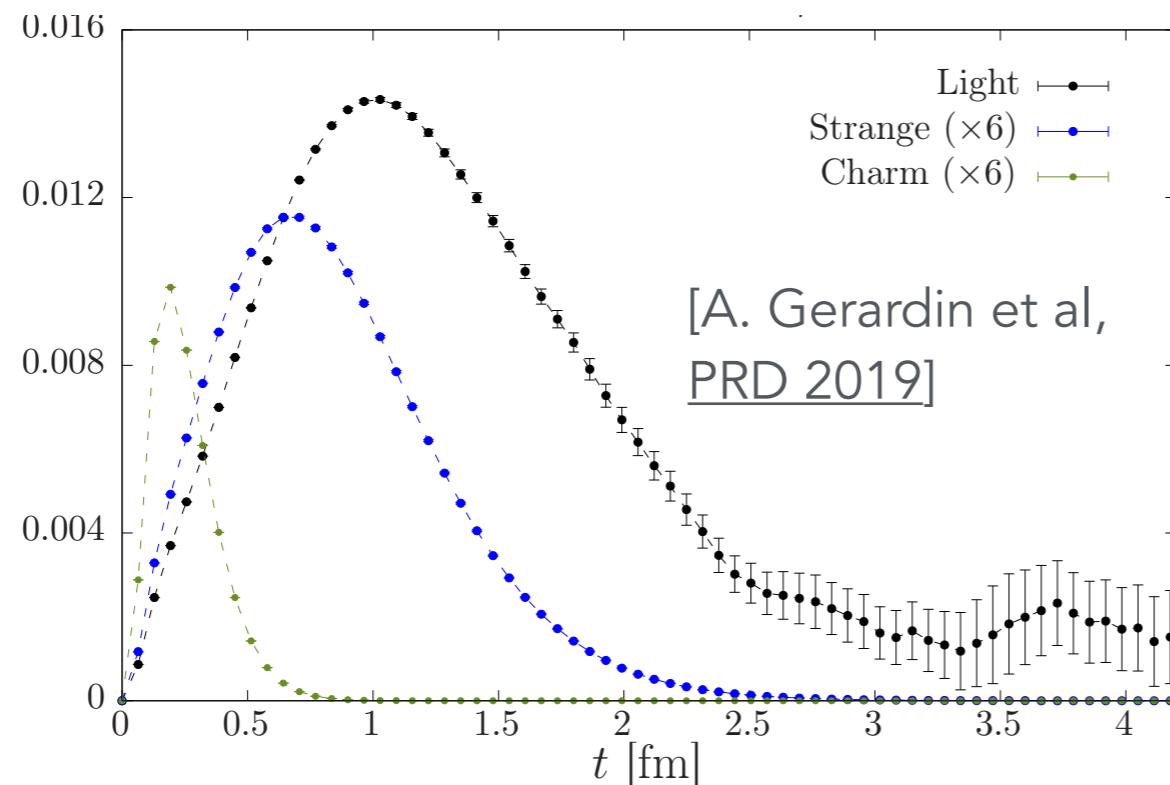
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- ◆ Time-momentum representation:

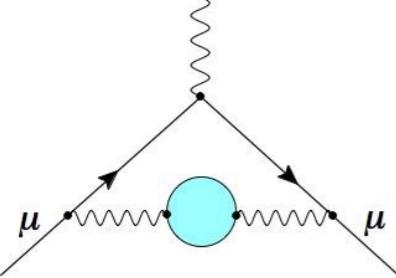
reorder the integrations with $G(t) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{i,x} \langle j_i(x,t) j_i(0,0) \rangle$

$$a_\mu^{\text{HLO}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int dt \tilde{\omega}(t) G(t)$$

[Bernecker & Meyer, EPJ 12]



- Need to extend $G(t)$ for $t > T$ using spectral representation
- noise reduction methods to control growth of statistical errors at large t needed for light-quark contribution



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♦ Time-moments: Taylor expand $\hat{\Pi}(q^2) = \sum_k q^{2k} \Pi_k$

Compute the Taylor coefficients from time moments

$$G_{2n} = a \sum_t t^{2n} G(t): \quad \Pi_k = (-1)^{k+1} \frac{G_{2k+2}}{(2k+2)!}$$

and obtain $\hat{\Pi}(q^2)$ from $[n,n]$ and $[n,n-1]$ Padé approximants

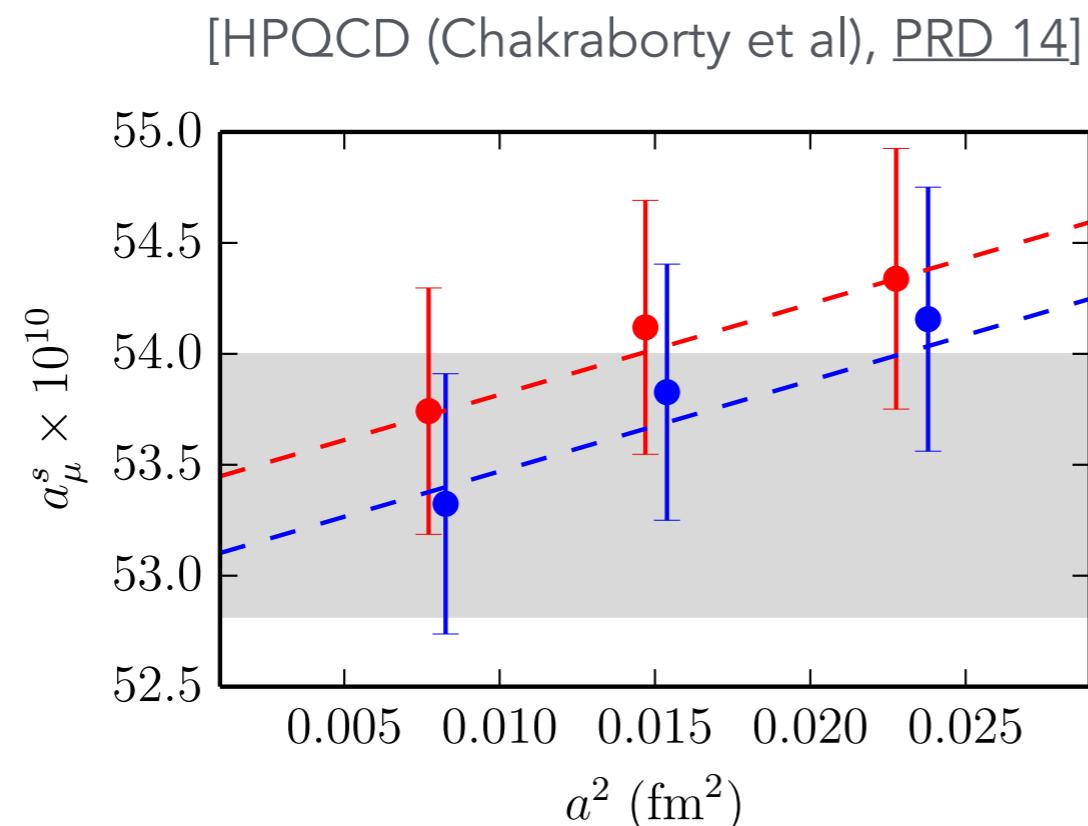
[HPQCD (Chakraborty et al), [PRD 14](#)]

Can apply corrections (finite volume, discretization) to the Taylor coefficients before constructing a_μ

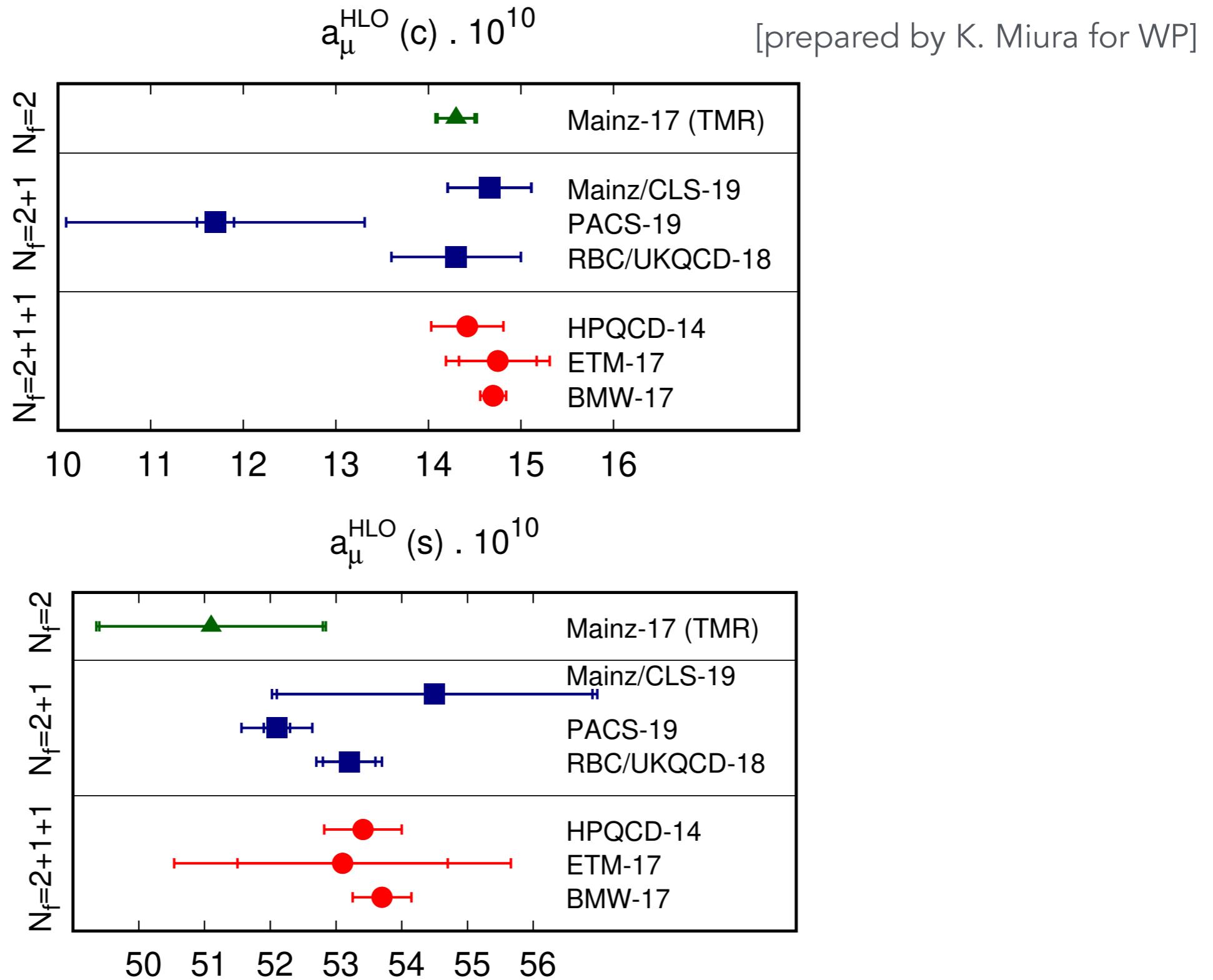
♦ Note: The time-moments method yields results that are numerically equivalent to the time-momentum representation.

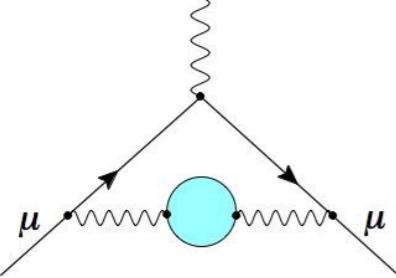
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- long-distance noise not a major source of error
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charm, strange connected a_μ : Comparison

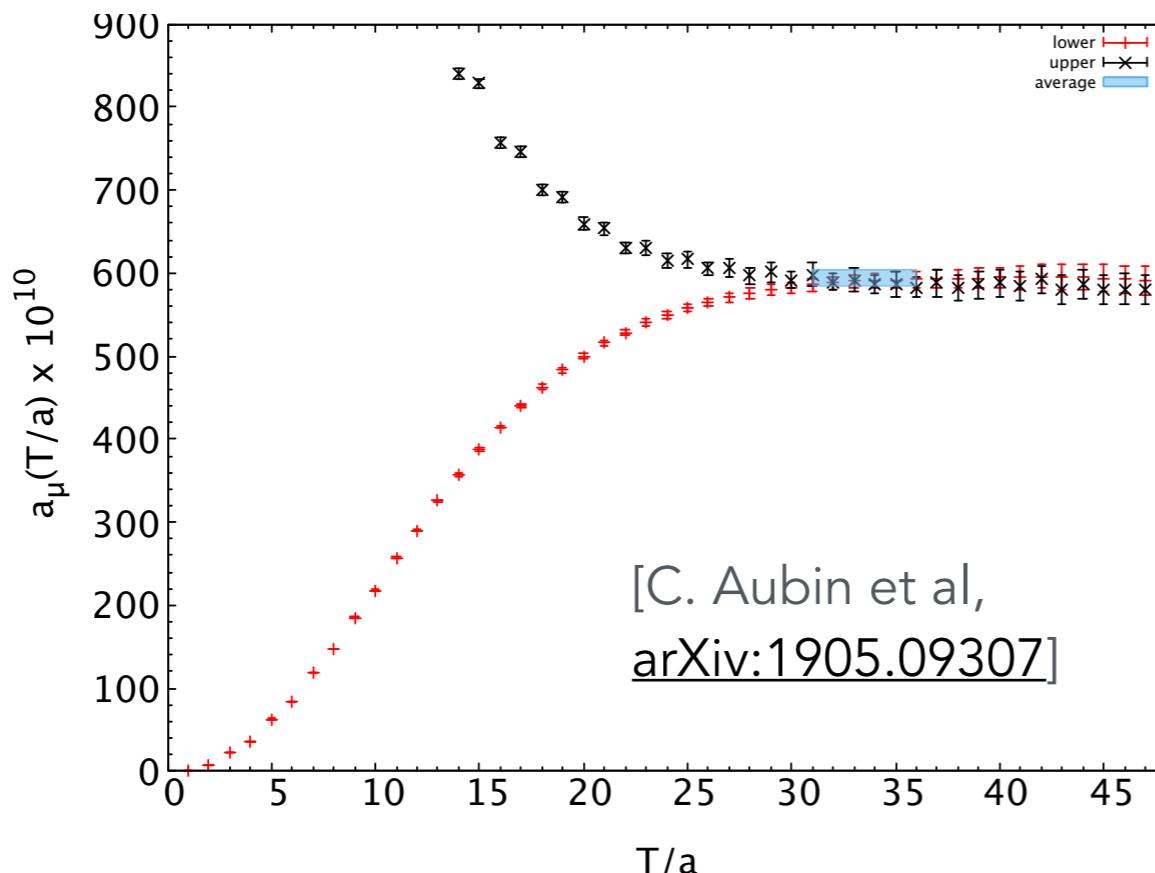




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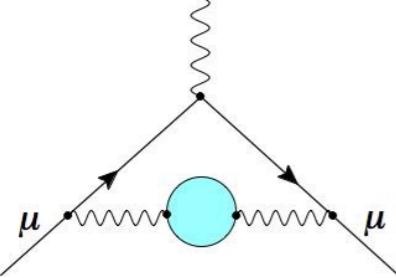
- Start with spectral decomposition: $G(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} A_n^2 e^{-E_n t}$
 - ◆ bounding method: [Borsanyi et al, [PRL 2018](#), Blum et al, [PRL 2018](#)]
 - for $t > t_c$: $0 \leq G(t_c) e^{-E_{t_c}(t-t_c)} \leq G(t) \leq G(t_c) e^{-E_0(t-t_c)}$



E_{t_c} : effective mass of G at t_c

E_0 : ground state energy

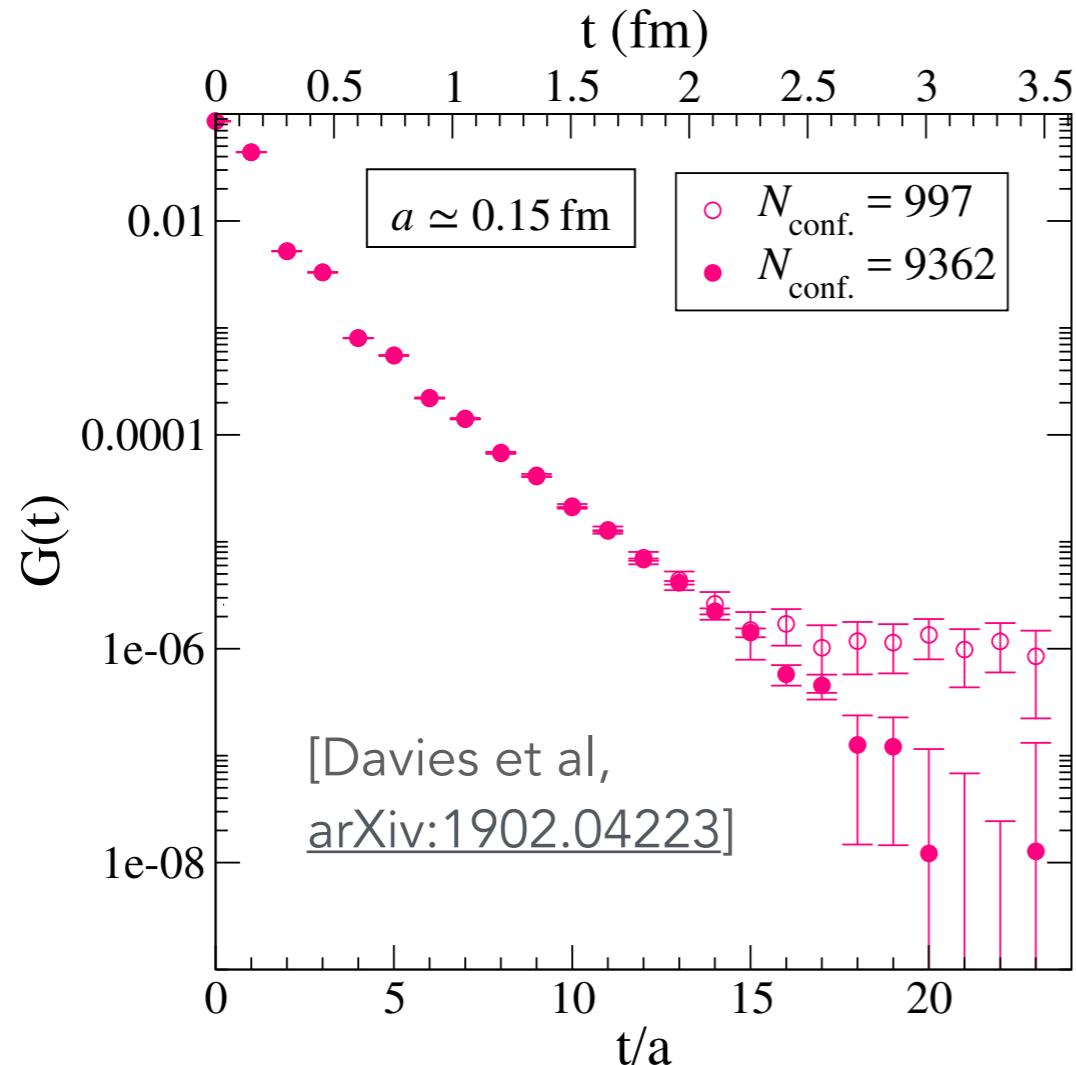
replace $G(t > t_c)$ with upper and lower bound, vary t_c



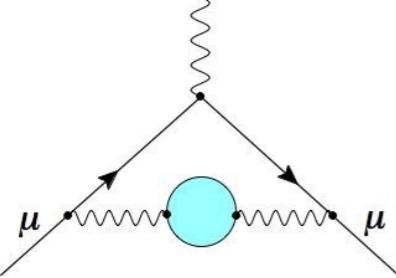
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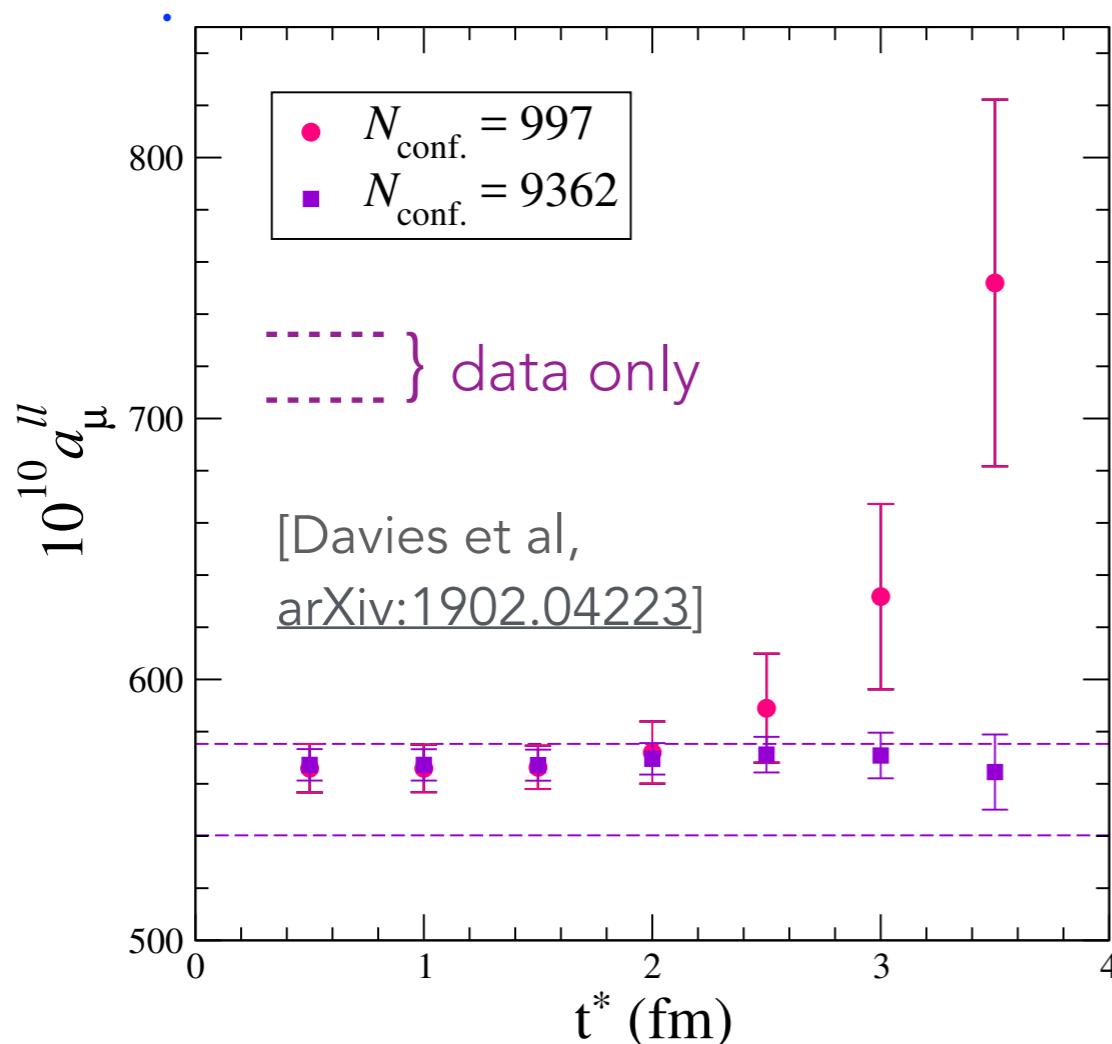
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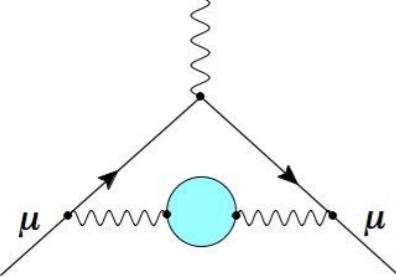
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- consistent with bounding method
- can add contributions from two-pion states to reconstruct $G(t)$ at large t



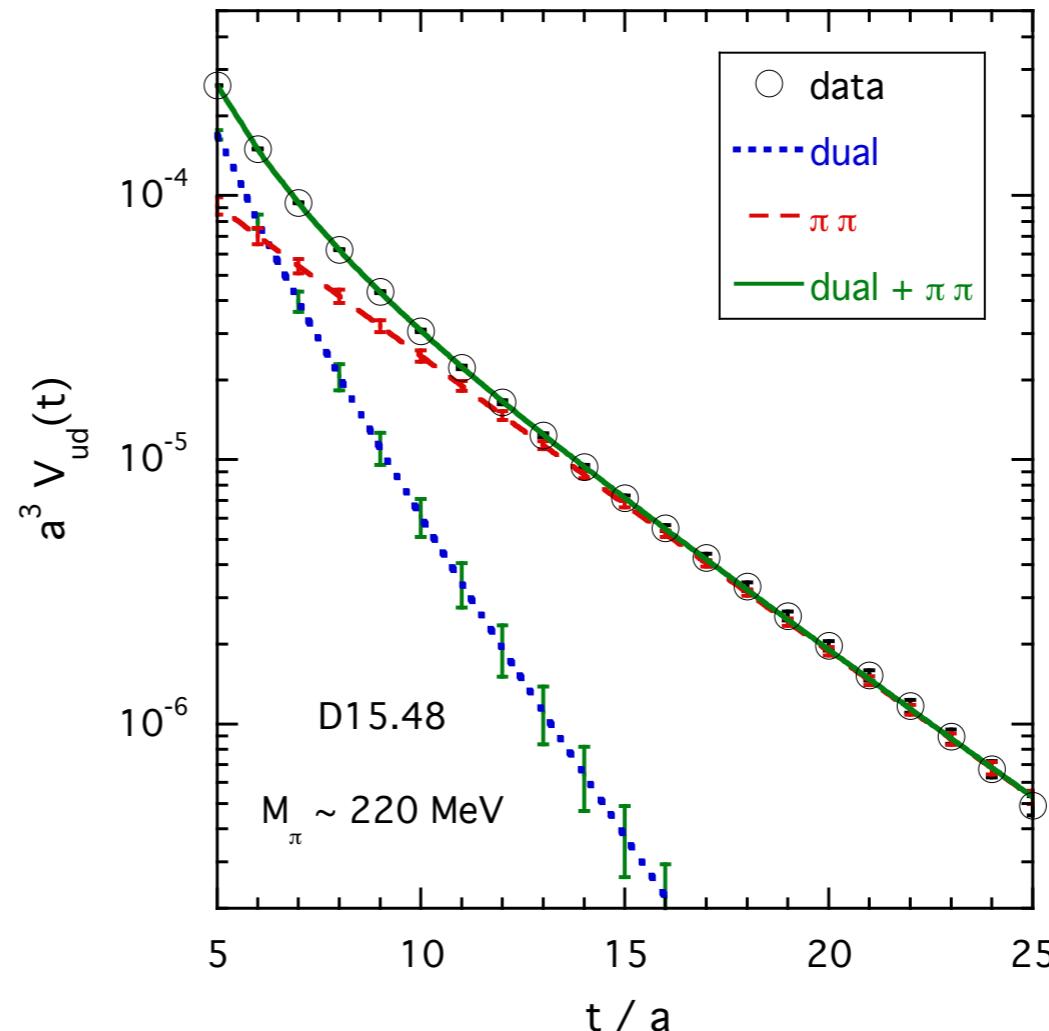
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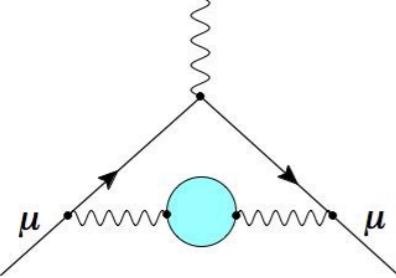
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[D. Giusti et al, [PRD 2018](#)]





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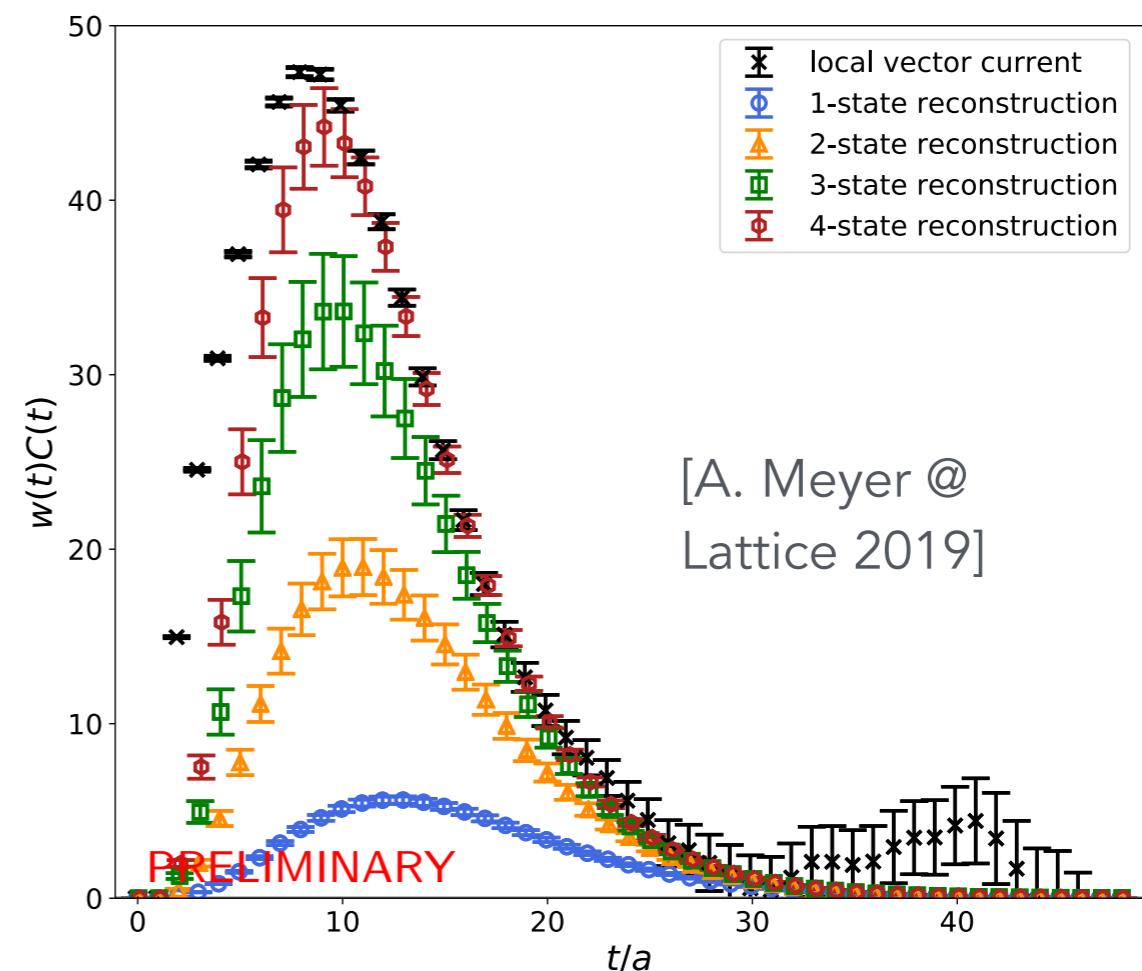
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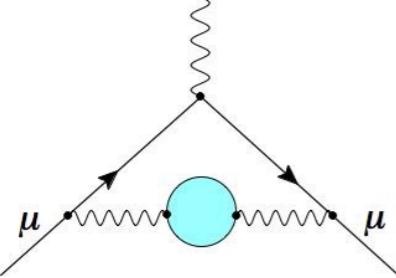
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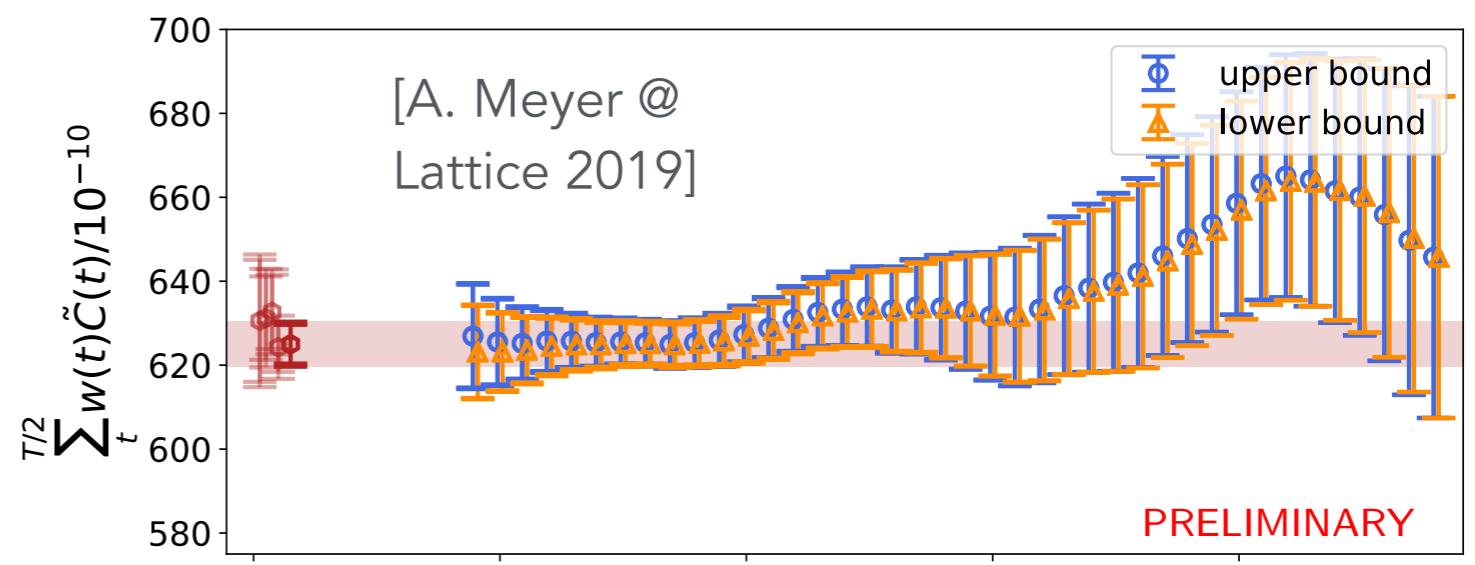
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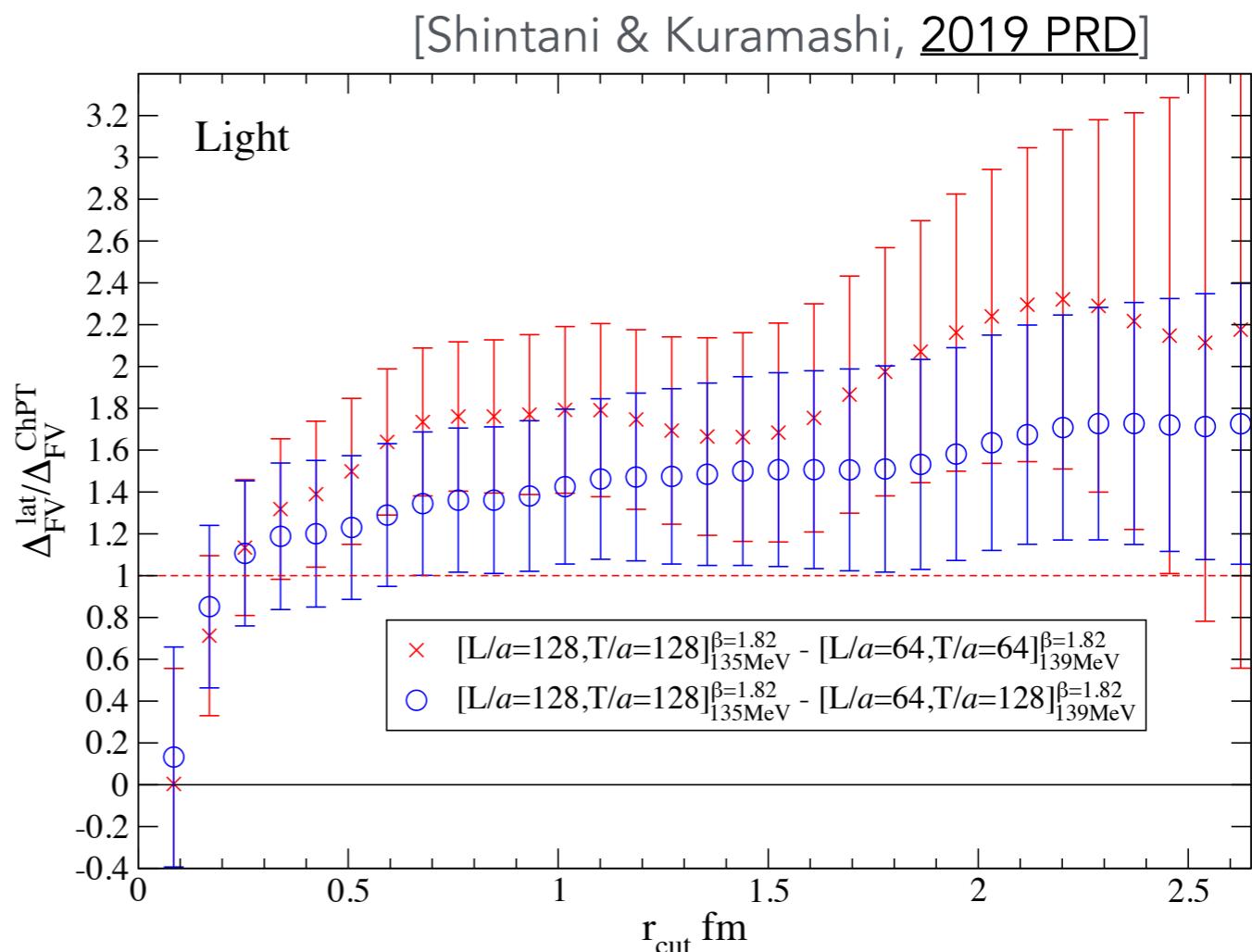
with $N = 4$

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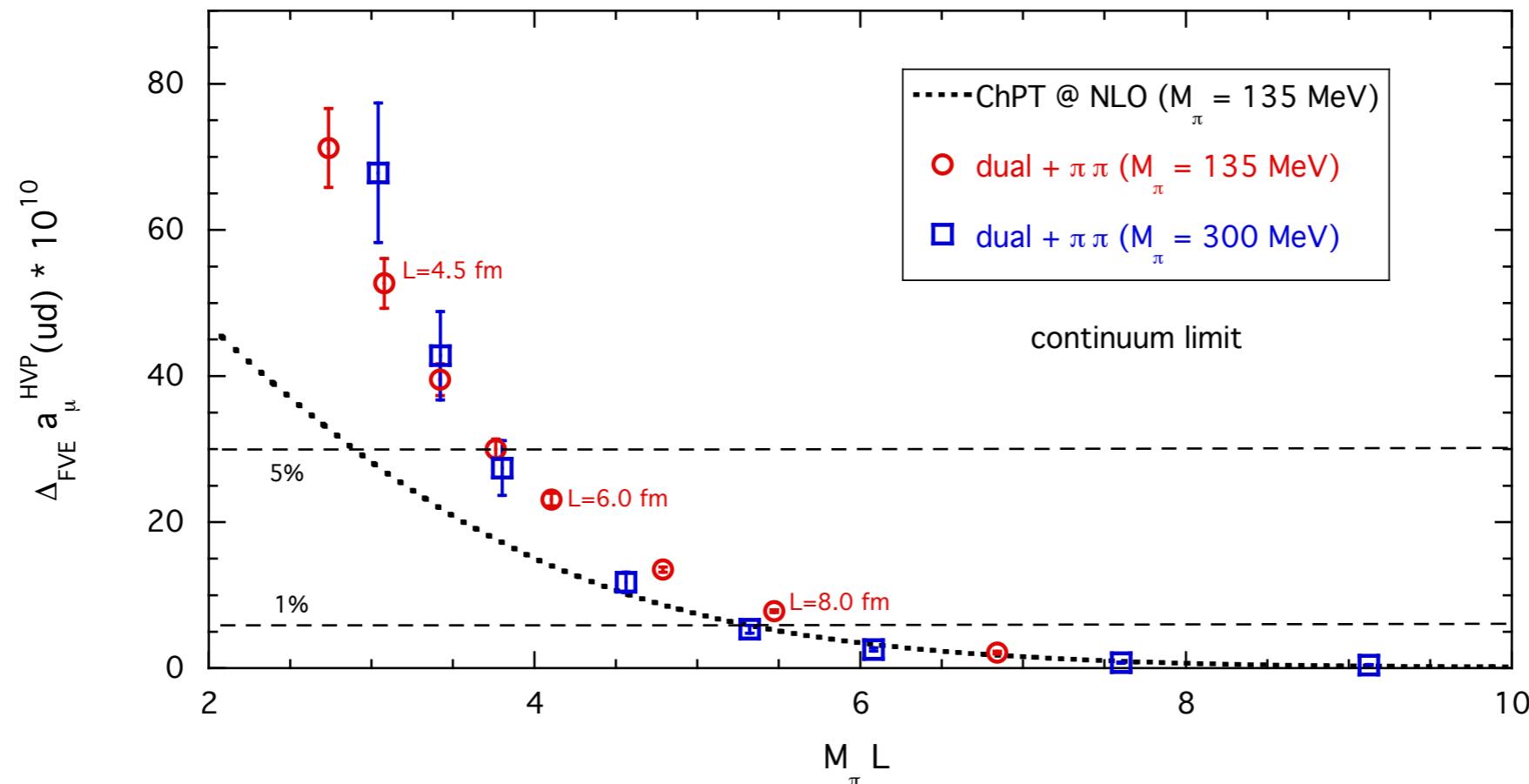
FV corrections appear to be larger than expected by NLO ChPT, but errors are large.

See also:
A. Gerardin et al, [PRD 2019](#),
D. Giusti et al, [PRD 2018](#),
Della Morte et al, [JHEP 2017](#) ,...



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- **staggered fermions:**
taste-breaking effects \rightarrow pion mass splittings (at finite lattice spacing)
 \rightarrow affect FV corrections

Scale Setting

- a_μ is dimensionless, but depends on the lattice indirectly, through masses in lattice units in the Kernel. In particular, am_μ :

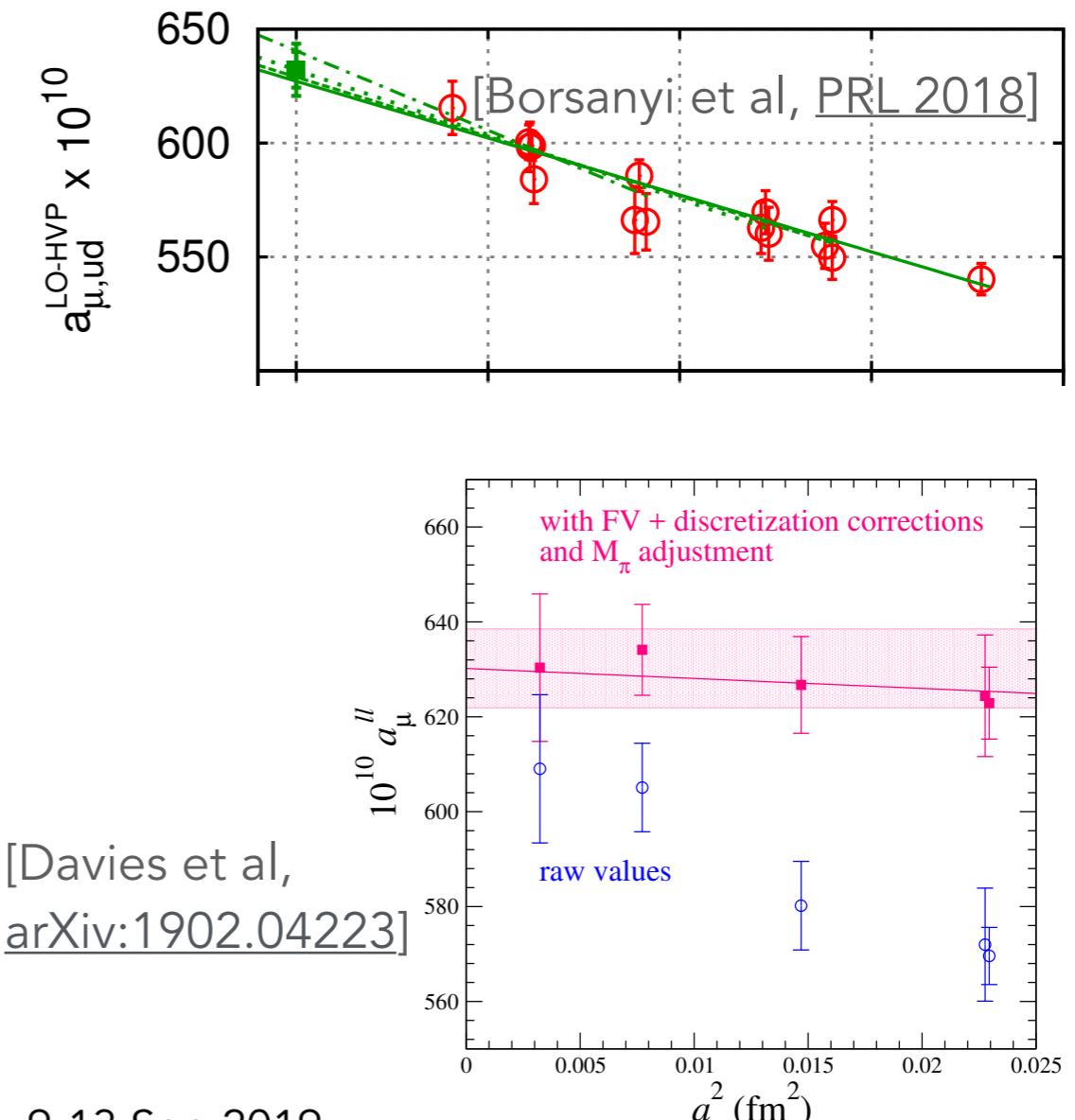
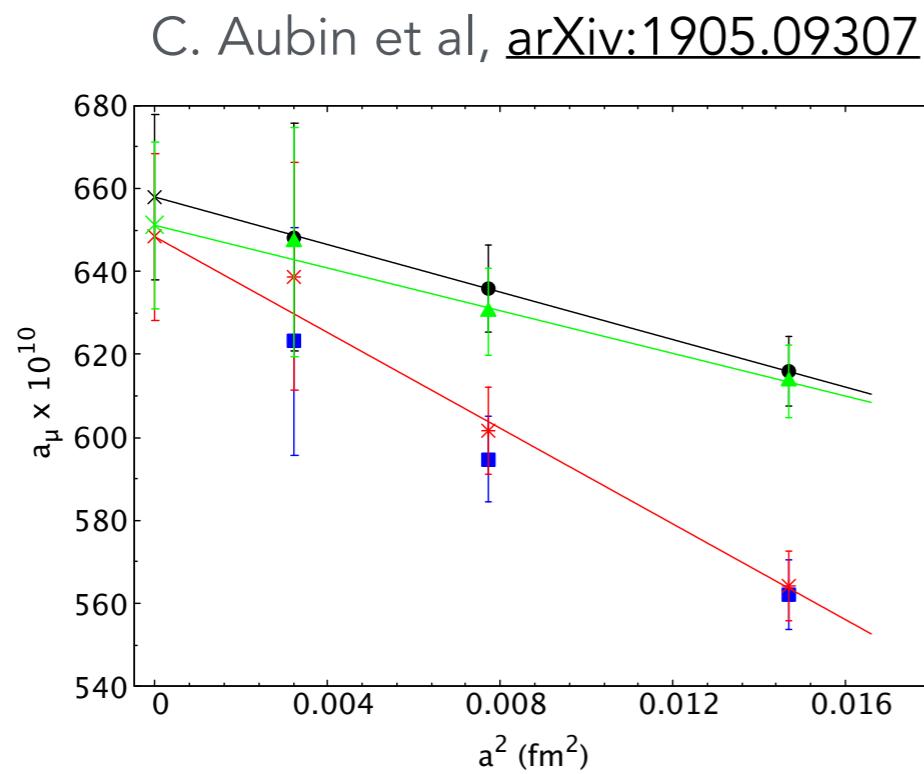
$$\frac{\delta a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}}{a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}} \left| a \frac{da_\mu^{\text{hvp}}}{da} \right|}_{\approx 1.8} \frac{\delta a}{a}$$

[H. Wittig @ 1st Muon g-2
Theory Initiative workshop]

- need a good physical quantity to determine lattice spacing to high precision (< 0.2%). Currently in use:
 - f_π — depends on V_{ud} and requires radiative QED corrections
 - Ω baryon mass (RBC/UKQCD)

Continuum extrapolation

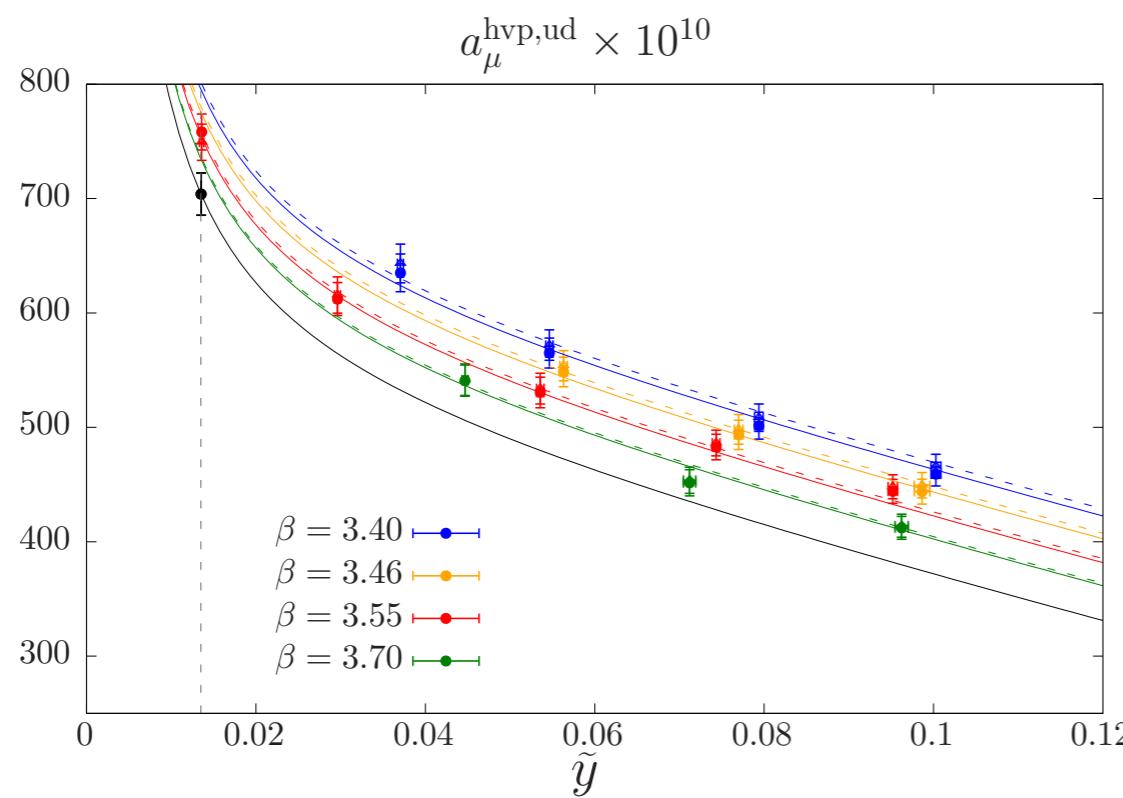
-performed by every lattice group.
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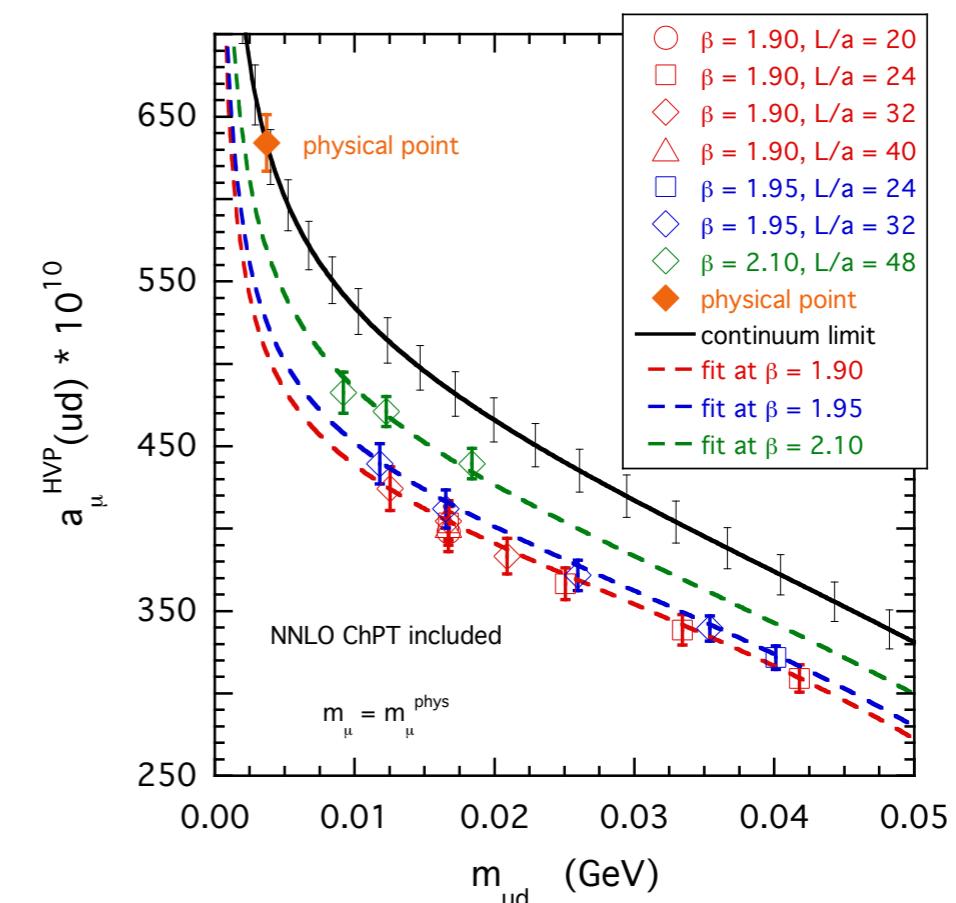
Combined continuum and chiral extrapolation

- if not using only physical mass ensembles.
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A. Gerardin et al, PRD 2019,



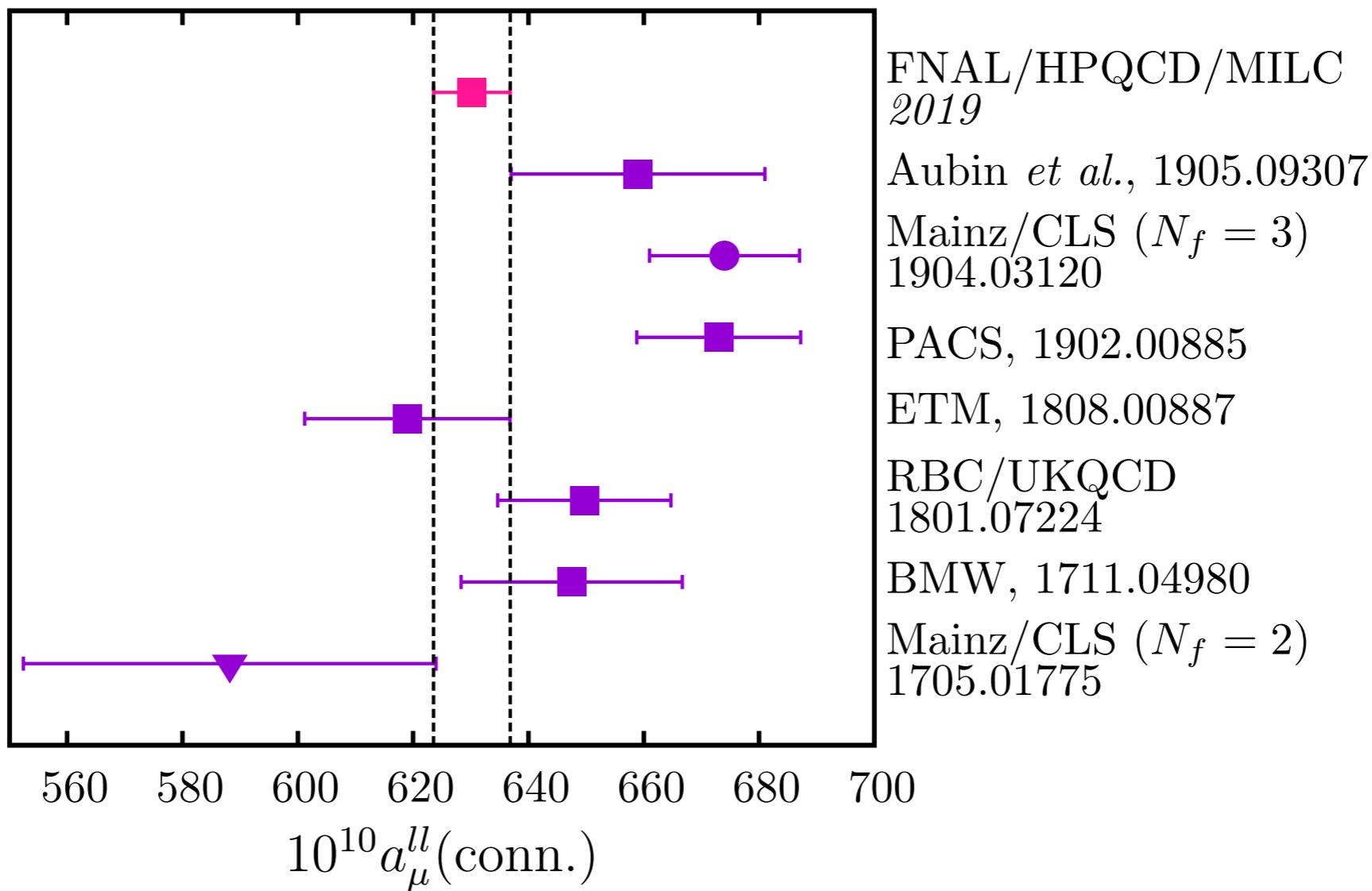
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Light-quark connected a_μ : Comparison

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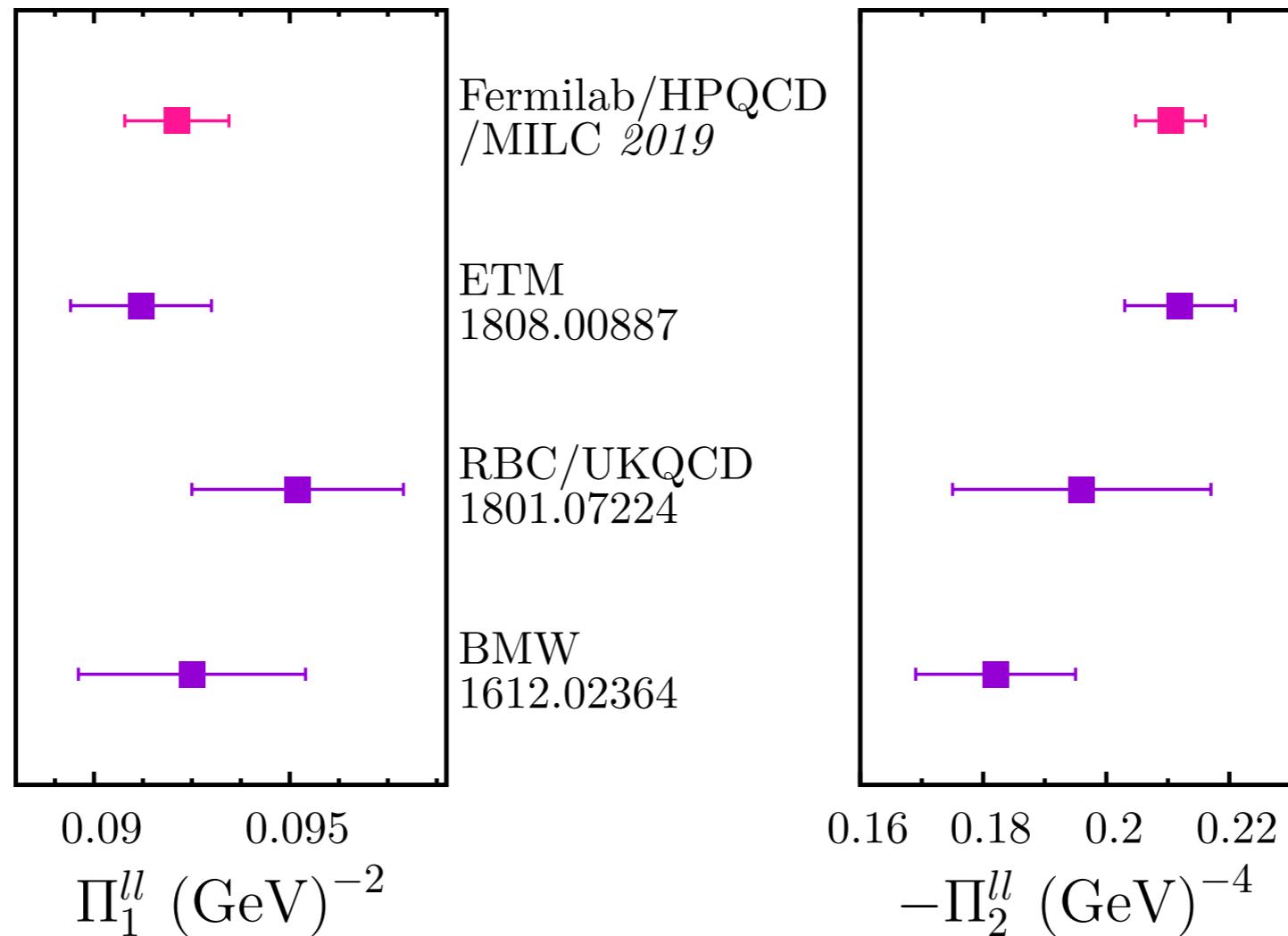
[Davies et al, [arXiv:1902.04223](https://arxiv.org/abs/1902.04223)]



Light-quark connected Π_1, Π_2 : Comparison

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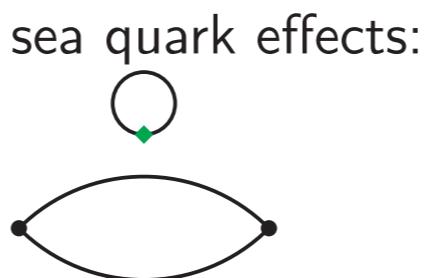
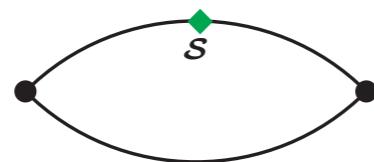
QED + Strong IB corrections

- need to be considered together, since QED effects affect mass splittings, and QED (α) and SIB ($m_d - m_u$)/ Λ effects are similar in size
- start with QCD only + isospin ($m_u = m_d$) with $m_{\pi^0} \simeq 135 \text{ MeV}$
- can obtain strong IB corrections from
 - looking at the difference between $m_d - m_u \neq 0$ and $m_u = m_d$
[Chakraborty et al, 2018 PRL]
 - perturbative expansion:

V. Gülpers @ Lattice 2019

- perturbative expansion in $\Delta m = (m_u - m_d)$
[G.M. de Divitiis et al, JHEP 1204 (2012) 124]

$$\langle O \rangle_{m_u \neq m_d} = \langle O \rangle_{m_u = m_d} + \Delta m \frac{\partial}{\partial m} \langle O \rangle \Big|_{m_u = m_d} + \mathcal{O}(\Delta m^2)$$

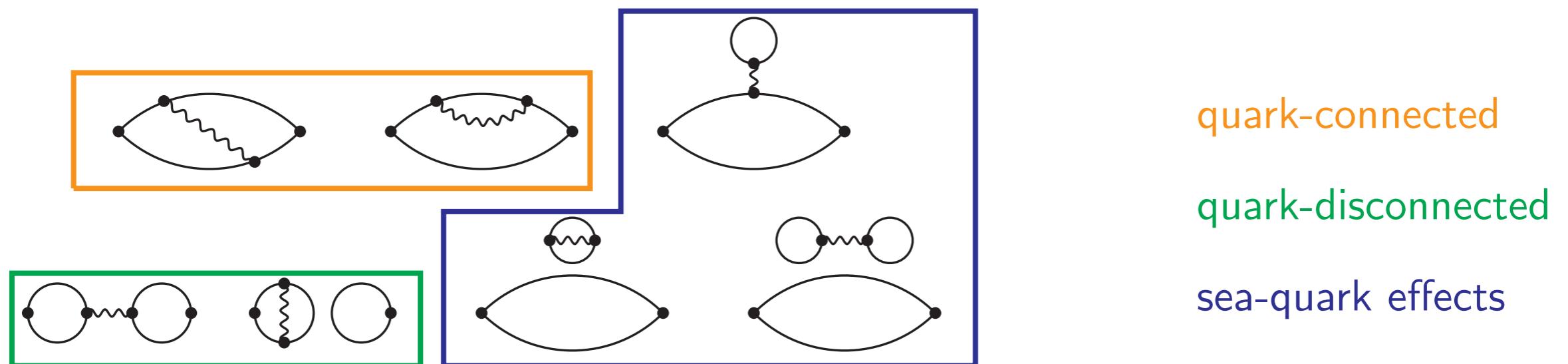


- ETMC [D. Giusti et al, arXiv:1901.10462]
 $\delta a_\mu = 6.0(2.3) \times 10^{-10}$
- RBC/UKQCD [T. Blum, VG et al, Phys.Rev.Lett. 121 (2018) no.2, 022003]
 $\delta a_\mu = 10.6(4.3)_S \times 10^{-10}$
+ work in progress
[C. Lehner, Mon 14:20]

QED + Strong IB corrections

V. Gülpers @ Lattice 2019

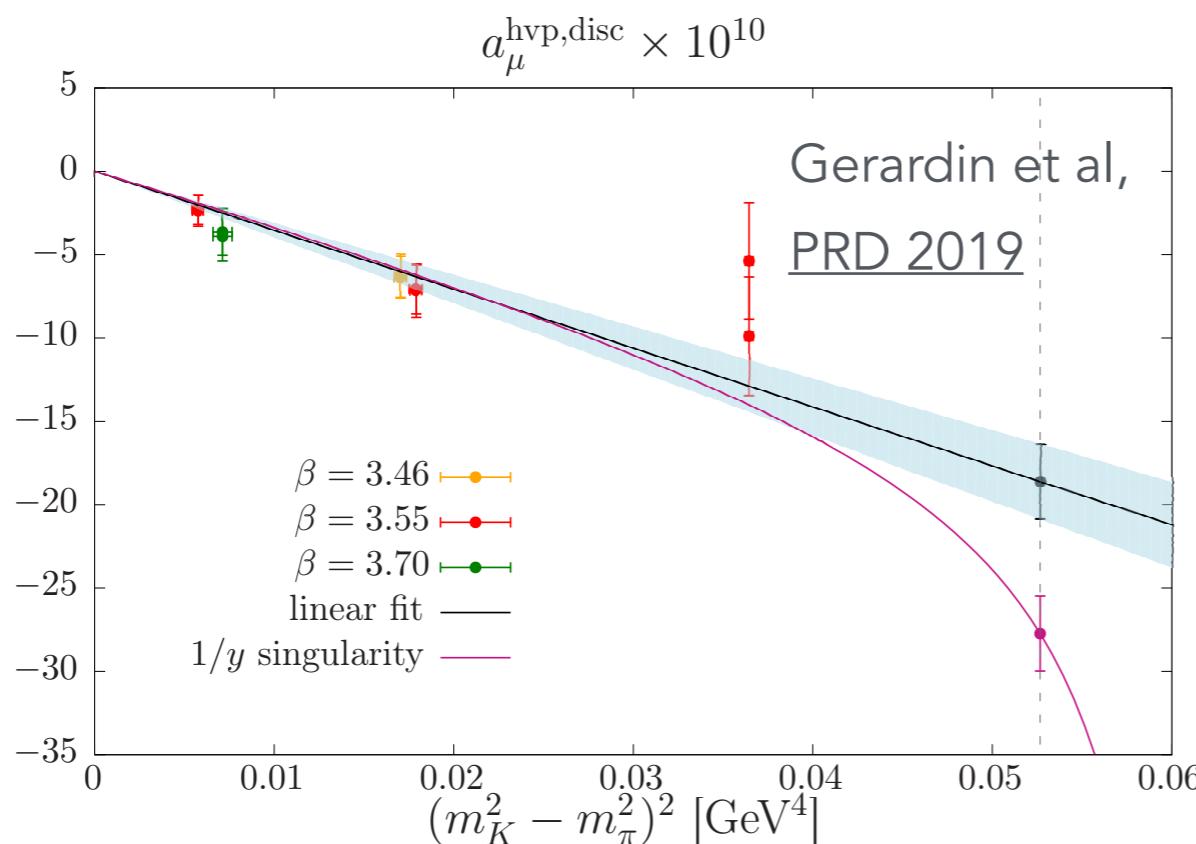
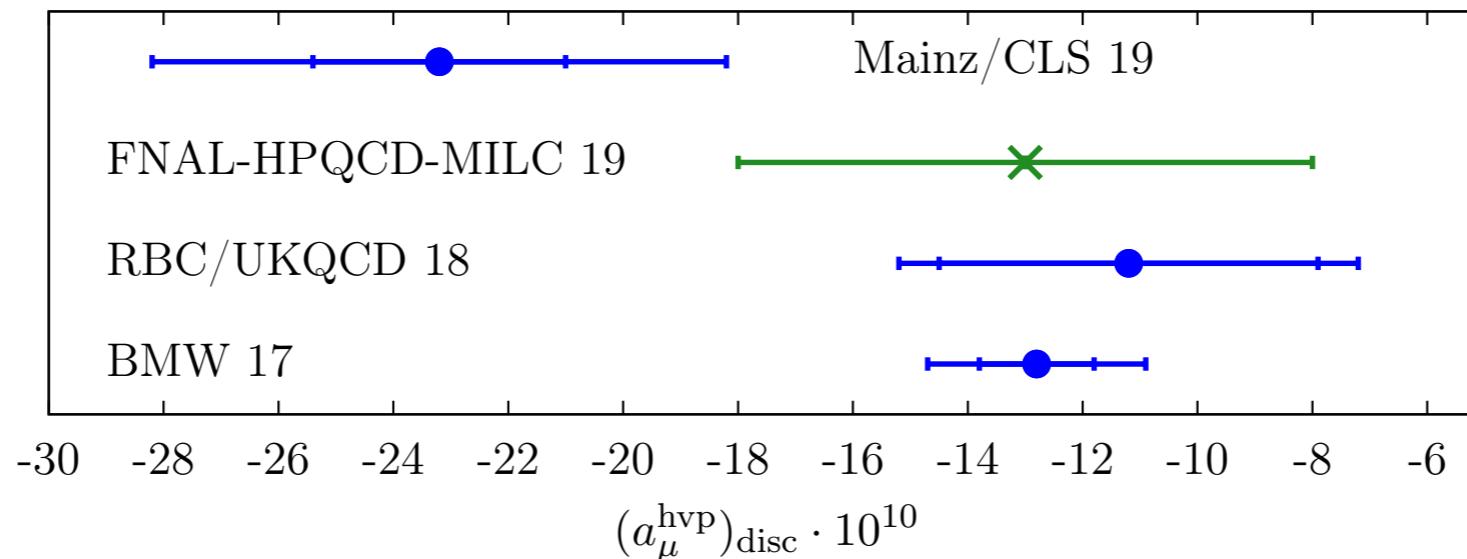
- ▶ perturbative expansion of the path integral in α [RM123 Collaboration, Phys.Rev. D87, 114505 (2013)]



- ▶ Finite Volume corrections for QED on the lattice
→ $1/(m_\pi L)^3$ for QED corrections to HVP in QED_L [N. Hermansson Truedsson, Mon 16:50]
[J. Bijnens et al, arXiv:1903.10591], [D. Giusti et al, JHEP 1710 (2017) 157]
→ negligible for required precision
 - work in progress by RBC/UKQCD, ETM, BMW, Mainz, Fermilab-HPQCD-MILC

Disconnected Contribution, $a_{\mu, \text{disc}}^{\text{HLO}}$

[prepared by K. Miura for WP]

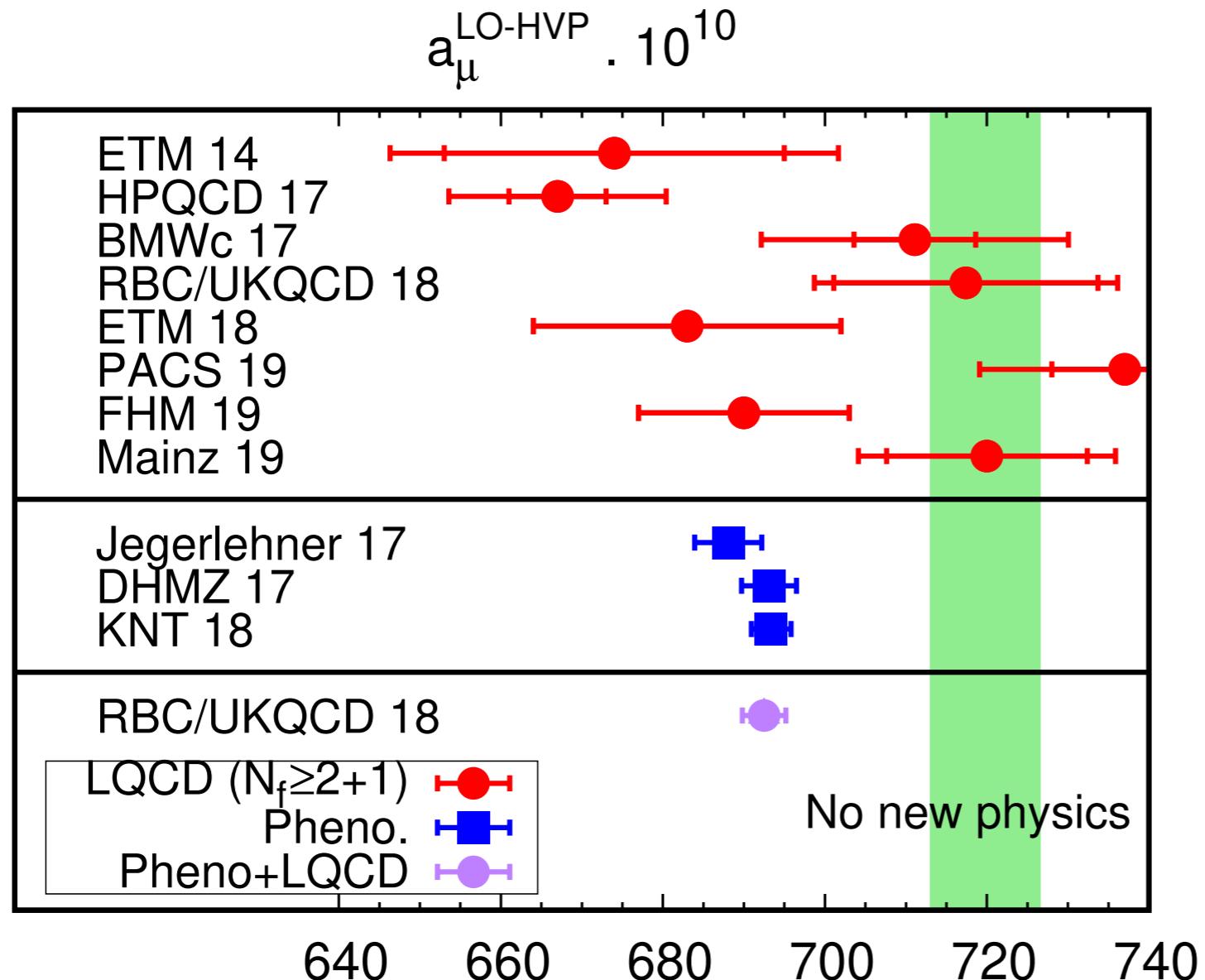


Mainz lattice data at unphysical mass are consistent with BMW and RBC/UKQCD results.

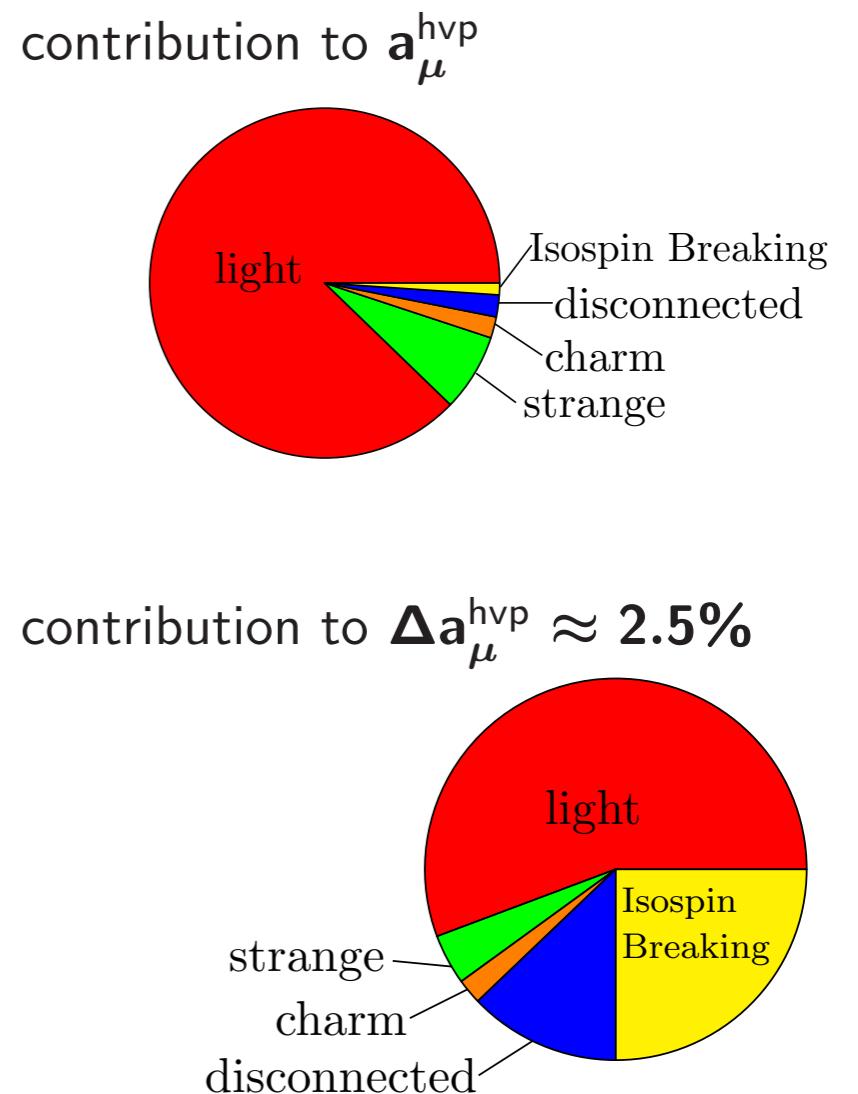
Fermilab/HPQCD/MILC work in progress

Complete $a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}$: Comparison

[prepared by K. Miura for WP]



[V. Gülpers, plenary talk @ Lattice 2019]



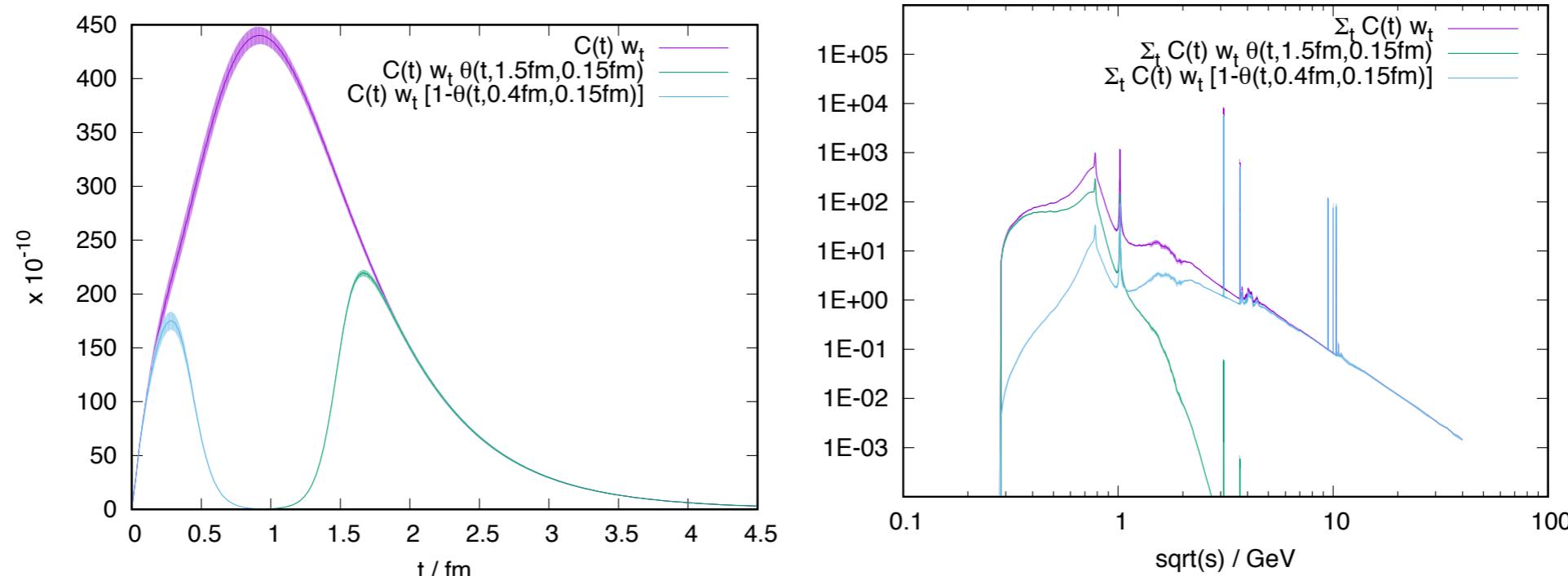
Another Hybrid Method: Windows

Hybrid method: combine LQCD with R-ratio data

C. Lehner @ HVP KEK 2018 (from T. Blum et al, arXiv:1801.07224)

Direct LQCD calculations of HVP are still less precise than dispersive methods.
But comparisons between R-ratio and lattice data are already useful.

- Convert R-ratio data to Euclidean correlation function (via the dispersive integral).
- Compare lattice/R-ratio data (after adding all the corrections and extrapolating to continuum, infinite volume).
- Use R-ratio data where LQCD errors are large and vice versa.



Summary and Outlook

$$\sum_f \text{Diagram } 1 + \text{Diagram } 2 + \dots$$

$f = ud, s, c, b$

- ★ light-quark contribution to a_μ^{HLO} is the biggest source of uncertainty in lattice QCD calculations.
progress in the last few years ➔ moving towards 1% uncertainty
 - ★ advanced methods (spectral reconstruction) for controlling long-distance noise, better understanding of FV effects
challenge: check consistency between different methods
 - ★ results for subleading corrections (disconnected, SIB, QED) now from more than one group, more are in progress
➔ still need to improve precision
 - ★ Looking forward to the detailed discussions to map out how to add comparisons, improve precision

Summary and Outlook

The diagram shows a quark loop consisting of four fermions labeled $f = ud, s, c, b$. The loop is formed by four wavy lines, each representing a fermion. The fermions are labeled f above the top line and \bar{f} below the bottom line. The loop is oriented clockwise.

Lattice HVP sessions on Friday

- ★ light lattice program Status/update talks:
 - Davide Giusti — ETMC
 - Antoine Gerardin — Mainz:group
- ★ advanced distance challenges Laurent Lellouch — BMWc
 - Christoph Lehner — RBC/UKQCD
 - Steve Gottlieb — FNAL/HPQCD/MILC
 - Tom Blum — Aubin et al
- ★ results more → stimuli Connections:
 - Marina Marinkovic — Lattice QCD for MUonE (Tuesday)
 - Nils Hermandsson-Truedsson — FV effects QED corrections
 - Mattia Bruno — Tau/Isospin-breaking corrections
 - Marco Cé — HVP contribution to the running of α and $\sin^2 \theta$
- ★ Look at computer



Thank you!