

# HADRONIC VACUUM POLARIZATION CONTRIBUTION TO THE MUON $g-2$ AT SHORT AND LONG DISTANCES

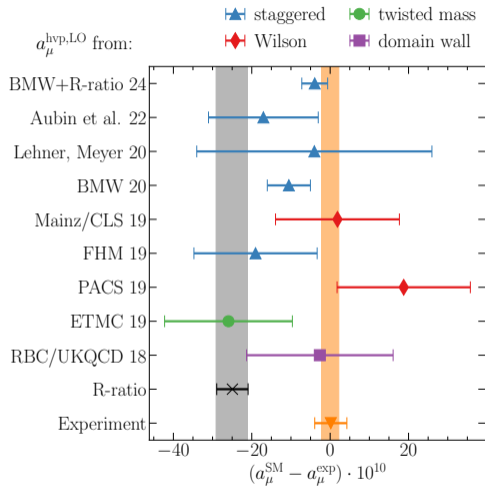
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[BNL  $g-2$ , hep-ex/0602035]

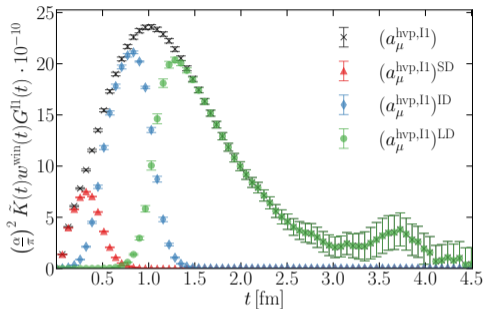
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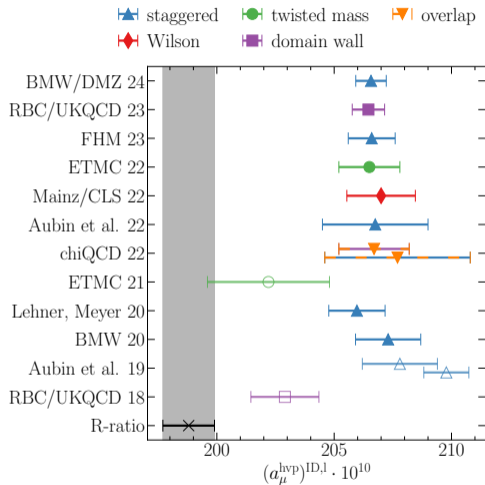


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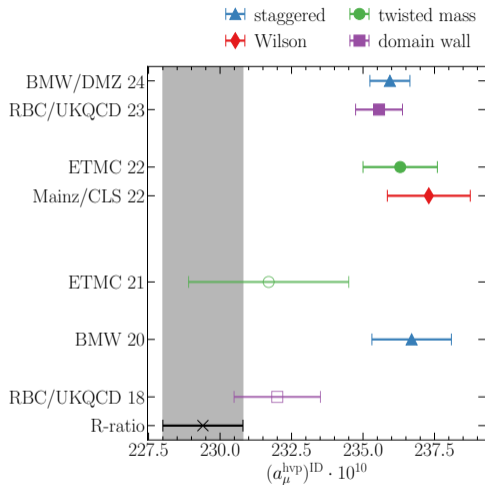
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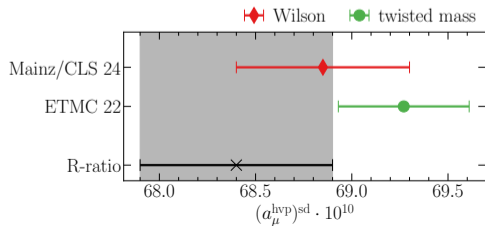
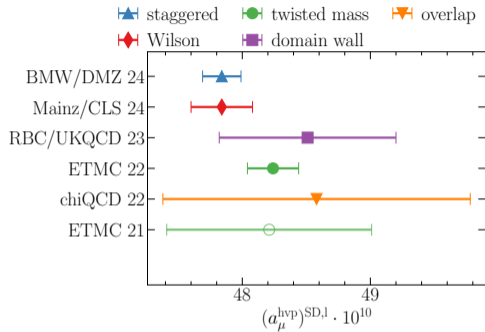
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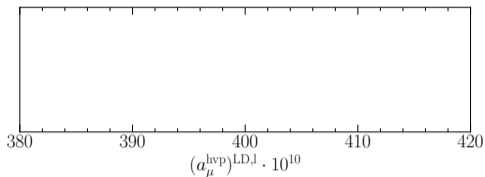
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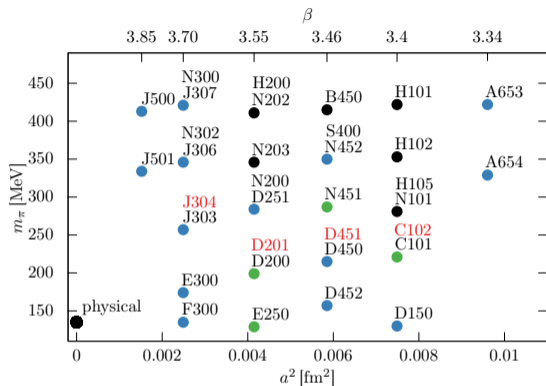
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- ▶ Long distance (... , this talk):  
noise and finite-volume effects

# THE MAINZ/CLS SETUP

$a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}$  **FROM 2 + 1 FLAVORS**  
**OF  $O(a)$  IMPROVED WILSON-CLOVER FERMIONS**



# 2 + 1 FLAVOR CLS ENSEMBLES



- Six values of  $a \in [0.039, 0.099]$  fm.
- Open boundary conditions in the temporal direction.
- $a\text{Tr}[M_q] = 2am_l + am_s = \text{const.}$  and  $m_s \approx m_s^{\text{phys}}$  to stabilize the strange-quark interpolation.

- New ensemble / ● significantly improved statistics since [Gérardin et al., 1904.03120].
- Generating a third ensemble with  $m_\pi \approx m_\pi^{\text{phys}}$ : F300 with  $256 \times 128^3$  at 0.05 fm,  $\rightarrow$  increase precision and further constrain  $(am_\pi)^2$  effects.

- $O(a)$  improved correlation functions with
  - ▶ local-local ( $LL$ ) and local-conserved ( $LC$ ) vector currents
  - ▶ two different lines of constant physics for the improvement (set 1/ set 2) that all differ by  $O(a^2)$ .
- Finite-volume correction via spacelike [Hansen and Patella, 1904.10010, 2004.03935] and timelike [Meyer, 1105.1892] [Lellouch and Lüscher, hep-lat/0003023] pion formfactor.
- Scale setting via  $t_0^{\text{phys}}$ : uncertainty propagates significantly into  $(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{\text{LD}}$ .

# THE SHORT DISTANCE CONTRIBUTION

[SK ET AL., 2401.11895]

- Cutoff effects are the main concern at short distances, especially those of  $O(a^2 \log(a))$  [Della Morte et al., 0807.1120][Cè et al., 2106.15293] [Sommer et al., 2211.15750]:
  - ▶ removal via perturbative QCD in the spacelike regime at high energies  $Q^2$ .

Starting from the well-known formula [Bernecker and Meyer, 1107.4388]

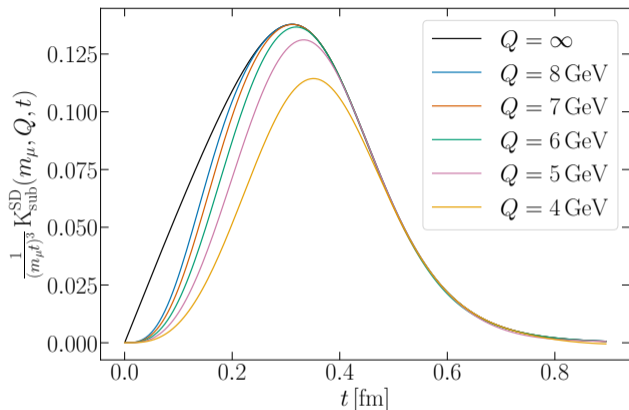
$$(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{\text{SD}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dt w^{\text{SD}}(t) \tilde{K}(t) G(t),$$

with the short-distance window  $w^{\text{SD}}(t)$ , we change to a modified QED kernel via

$$w^{\text{SD}}(t) \tilde{K}(t) \rightarrow K_{\text{sub}}^{\text{SD}}(Q, t) = w^{\text{SD}}(t) \tilde{K}(t) - w^{\text{SD}}(0) \frac{16\pi^2 m_\mu^2}{9Q^2} f(Q, t)$$

where  $f(Q, t) = \frac{16}{Q^2} \sin^4\left(\frac{Qt}{4}\right)$  is the kernel to compute

$$\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi((Q/2)^2) = \int_0^\infty dt f(Q, t) G(t).$$



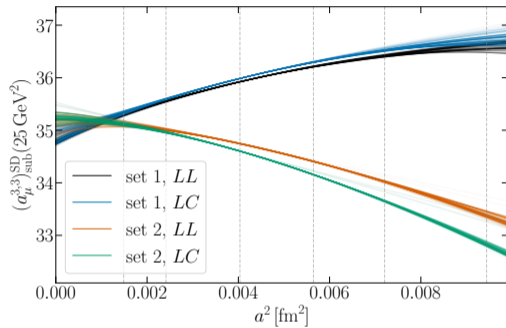
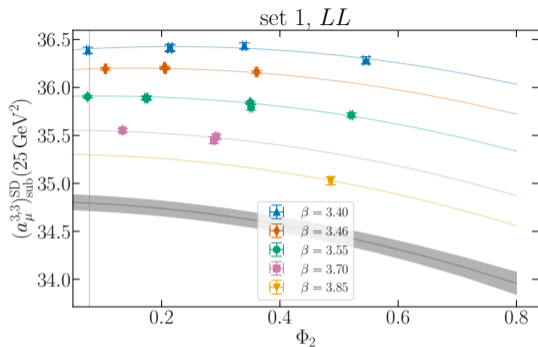
- Remove term  $\propto t^4$  in kernel and thus the  $a^2 \log(a)$  effects.
- New slope is  $Q$  dependent.
- We focus on  $Q = 5$  GeV.
- Relevant scale for perturbation theory is  $Q/2$ .

- Based on the Adler function  $D(Q^2)$ , we evaluate [Baikov et al., 0801.1821, 1001.3606],

$$\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi((Q/2)^2) = \frac{\pi^2}{12} \int_{(Q/2)^2}^{Q^2} \frac{dQ'^2}{Q'^2} D(Q'^2)$$

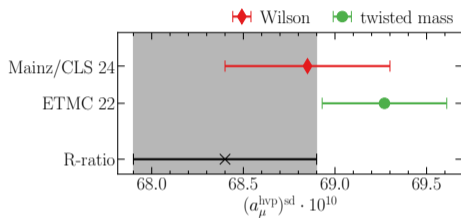
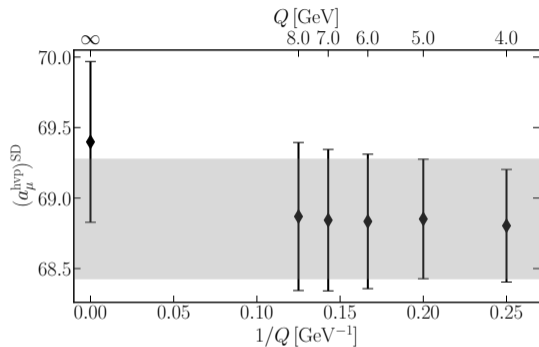
and expect good convergence of the perturbative series [Jegerlehner, 2020].

# $(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{\text{SD}}$ IN THE ISOVECTOR CHANNEL



- Tiny uncertainties, benign chiral dependence, significant cutoff effects.
- Use tree-level improvement to reduce the cutoff effects.
- Combine with strange, disconnected, charm and valence connected isospin-breaking contributions for the full  $(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{\text{SD}}$ .

# FULL RESULT FOR $(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{\text{SD}}$



- Stability under variation of the modification scale  $Q$ .
- Small but noticeable shift when  $a^2 \log(a)$  effects are not removed ( $1/Q = 0$ ).
- Final uncertainty dominated by systematics from the continuum limit.

# THE LONG DISTANCE CONTRIBUTION

**PRELIMINARY, BLINDED**

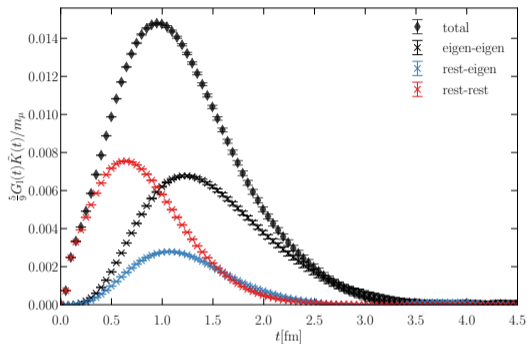
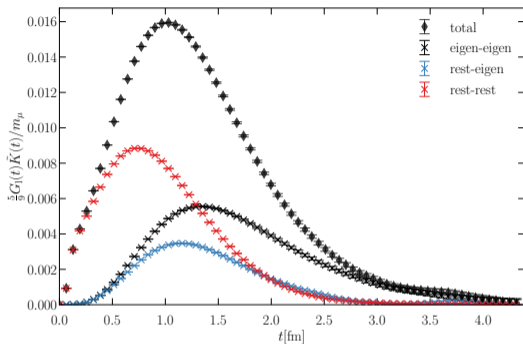


## Our goal

Determine with  $(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{\text{LD}}$  the last building block for the full  $a_\mu^{\text{hvp}}$ .

- Noise reduction techniques to get to sub-percent precision for  $I = 1$ :
  - ▶ **Low-mode averaging** (LMA).
  - ▶ Spectral reconstruction.
- Finite-volume effects are sizable.
- Expect cutoff effects to be less relevant for Wilson quarks.
- Everything is **blinded**: Analyze multiple TMR kernels with
  - ▶ multiplicative offsets,
  - ▶ artificial cutoff effects,
  - ▶ ...?

# NOISE REDUCTION: LOW-MODE AVERAGING



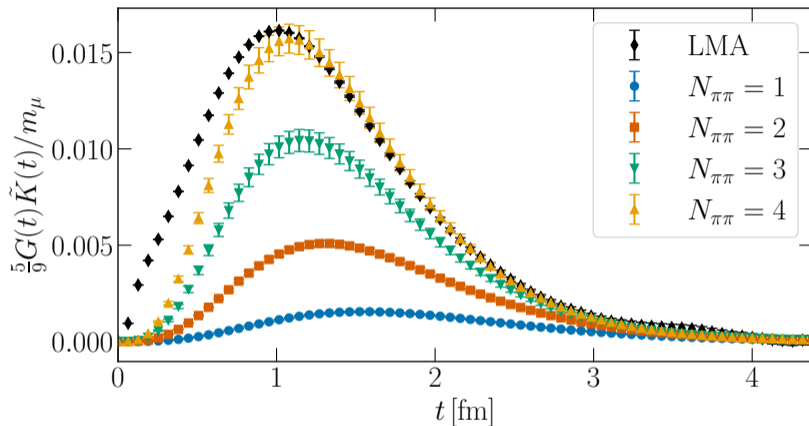
- Use low-mode averaging for all ensembles where  $m_\pi < 280 \text{ MeV}$ .

- ▶ Left:  $m_\pi = 132 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $a = 0.064 \text{ fm}$  (E250)

- ▶ Right:  $m_\pi = 177 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $a = 0.049 \text{ fm}$  (E300)

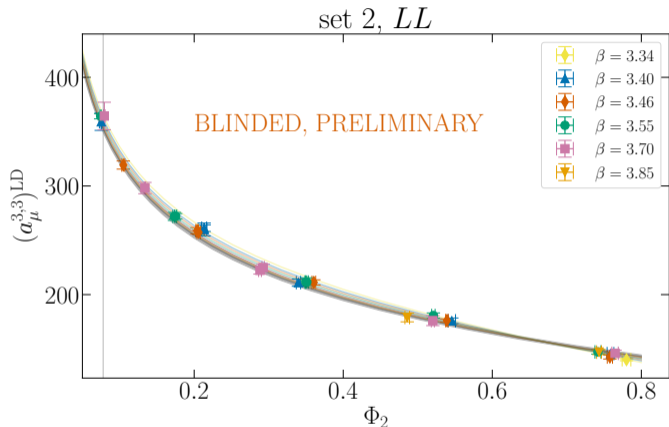
- Autocorrelation becomes a limiting factor at fine lattice spacing.

# NOISE REDUCTION: SPECTRAL RECONSTRUCTION



Careful extraction of energies and overlaps:  
[Nolan Miller, Tue 16:15]

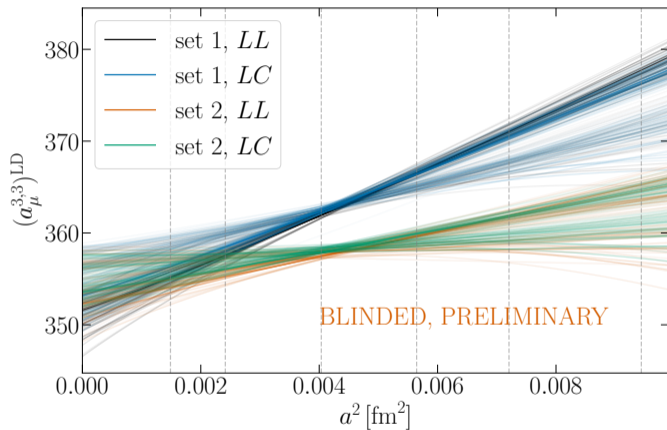
- Spectral reconstruction of the isovector correlation function on E250 at  $m_\pi^{\text{phys}}$ .
- Solves the signal-to-noise problem, but LMA is more precise for  $t < 2.5$  fm.
- Inclusion reduces the uncertainty on this ensemble by a factor of 2.



- Dependence of  $(a_\mu^{3,3})^{\text{LD}}$  on  $\Phi_2 = 8t_0 m_\pi^2$ .
- Data is corrected for finite-size effects.
- Weak dependence on the cutoff.
- Mass-dependent cutoff effects noticeable.

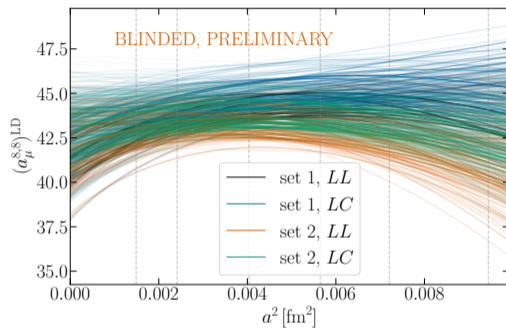
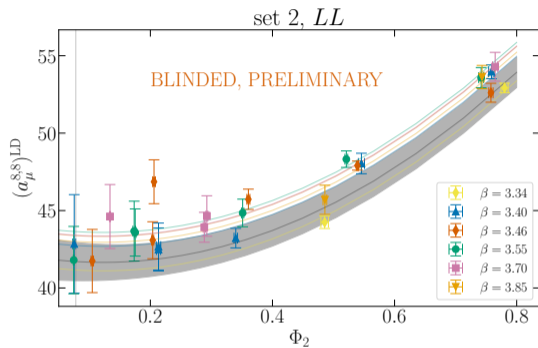
- Chiral dependence well constrained across the range of pion masses. Need to include a term that is divergent in the chiral limit for good fit quality.

# $(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{\text{LD}}$ IN THE ISOVECTOR CHANNEL: CUTOFF DEPENDENCE



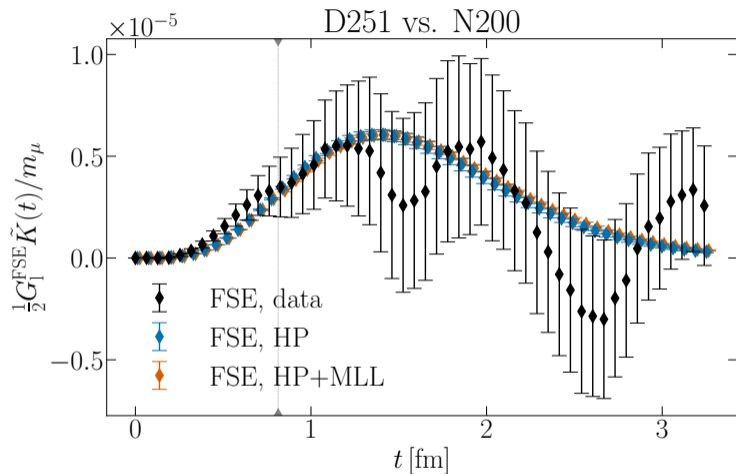
- Dependence of  $(a_\mu^{3,3})^{\text{LD}}$  on  $a^2$  at physical quark masses.
- Four sets of data (colors) differ by  $O(a^2)$ .
- Each line represents a fit in the model average.
- Include terms à la  $[\alpha_s(1/a)]^{0.395} a^2$  [Husung, 2401.04303].

- Contains **artificial cutoff effects from the blinding** procedure.
- Higher order cutoff effects have a small weight in the model average.



- Quark-disconnected diagram contributes significantly to noise in the isoscalar channel, despite using multiple noise reduction techniques [Cè et al., 2203.08676].
- Bounding method in the isoscalar channel to tame the long-distance tail.
- Leading finite-size effects of light-connected and disconnected cancel.

# FINITE-SIZE CORRECTION: CONSISTENCY CHECK



- $I = 1$  channel
- $m_\pi = 286$  MeV
- $L: 3$  fm  $\rightarrow$  4.1 fm
- $m_\pi L: 4.4 \rightarrow 5.9$
- $a = 0.064$  fm

- Compare finite-size effects in the data with the two model predictions.
- Excellent agreement (with large statistical uncertainties).

## Achievements

- High statistical precision at  $m_\pi^{\text{phys}}$  and excellent control of the  $m_\pi$  dependence.
- Large span of lattice spacings to control the continuum extrapolation.

## Challenges

- Scale setting remains a dominant source of uncertainty.  
The global status of gradient flow scales is unsatisfactory [FLAG23].
- Autocorrelation hinders precise estimates at very fine lattice spacing.
- Isospin breaking effects need to be computed accurately.  
[Julian Parrino, Thu 9:40] [Dominik Erb, Thu 10:00]



- Stay tuned for our unblinded result for  $(a_\mu^{\text{hvp}})^{\text{LD}}$ !
- Related work of the Mainz group at Lattice 2024:
  - ▶ The timelike pion form factor and other applications of  $I = 1\pi\pi$  scattering [Nolan Miller, Tue 16:15]
  - ▶ The hadronic contribution to the running of  $\alpha$  and the electroweak mixing angle [Alessandro Conigli, Thu 9:40]
  - ▶ Machine-learning techniques as noise reduction strategies in lattice calculations of the muon  $g - 2$  [Hartmut Wittig, Wed 11:35]
  - ▶ UV-finite QED correction to the hadronic vacuum polarization contribution to  $(g - 2)_\mu$  [Julian Parrino, Thu 9:40]
  - ▶ The isospin-violating part of the hadronic vacuum polarisation [Dominik Erb, Thu 10:00]