
Hadronic Contributions to the Muon $g - 2$ from Lattice QCD

Where do we stand?

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Anomalous magnetic moments

Particle with mass m and charge e :

$$\mu = g \frac{e\hbar}{2m} S, \quad S = \frac{\sigma}{2}$$

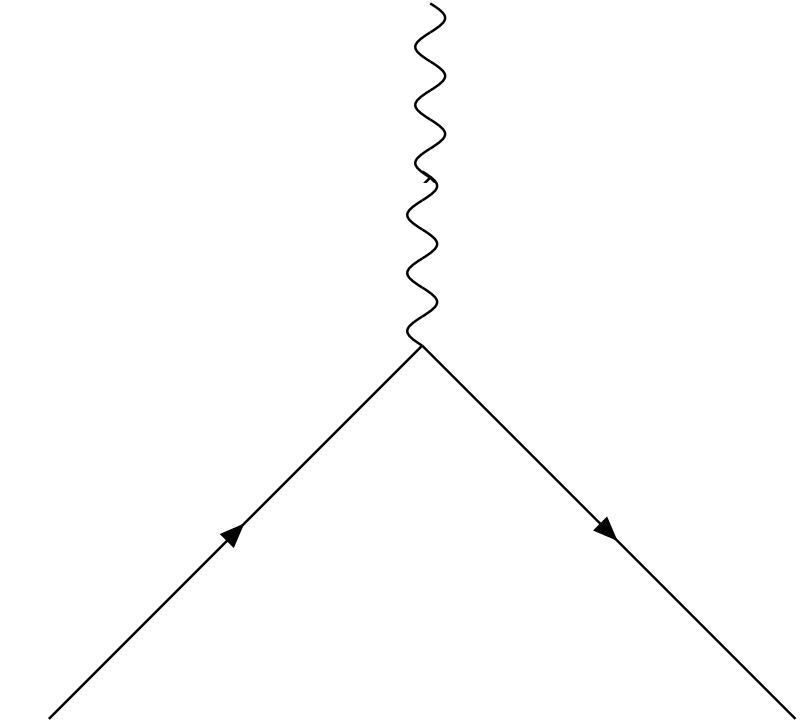
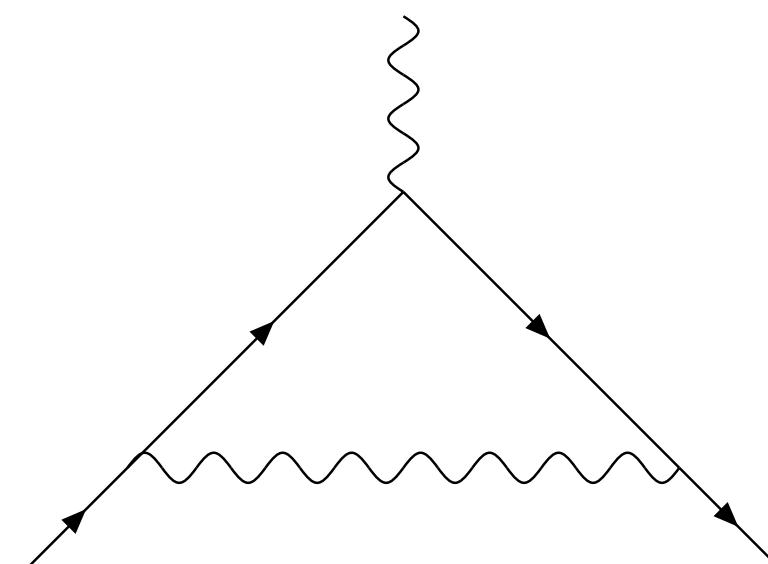
Pauli equation: $g = 2$

$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \psi(x, t) = \left\{ \frac{1}{2m} (\mathbf{p} - e\mathbf{A})^2 + e\Phi - \frac{e\hbar}{2m} \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B} \right\} \psi(x, t)$$

Quantum corrections: $g = 2(1 + a)$, a : anomalous magnetic moment

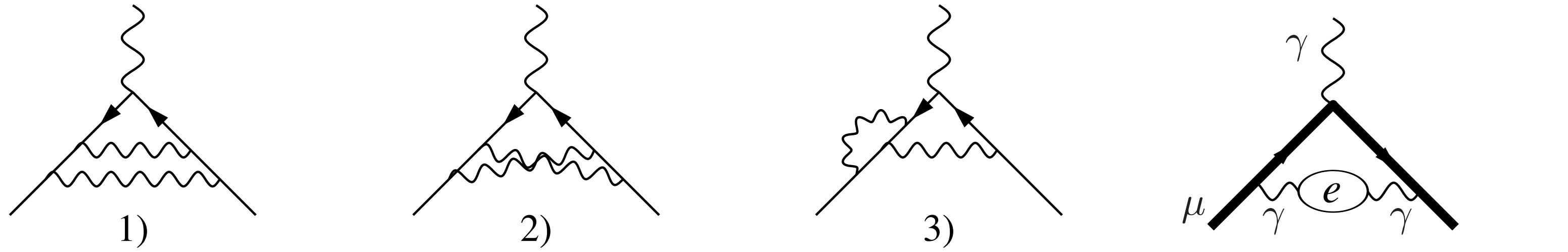
First-order QED correction calculated by Schwinger:

$$g = 2 \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} \right)$$

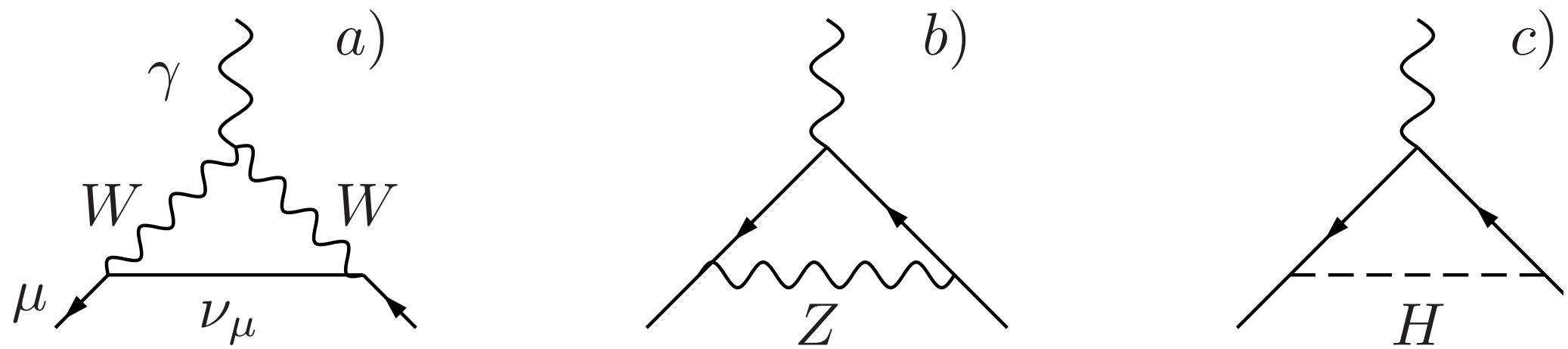


Higher-order corrections

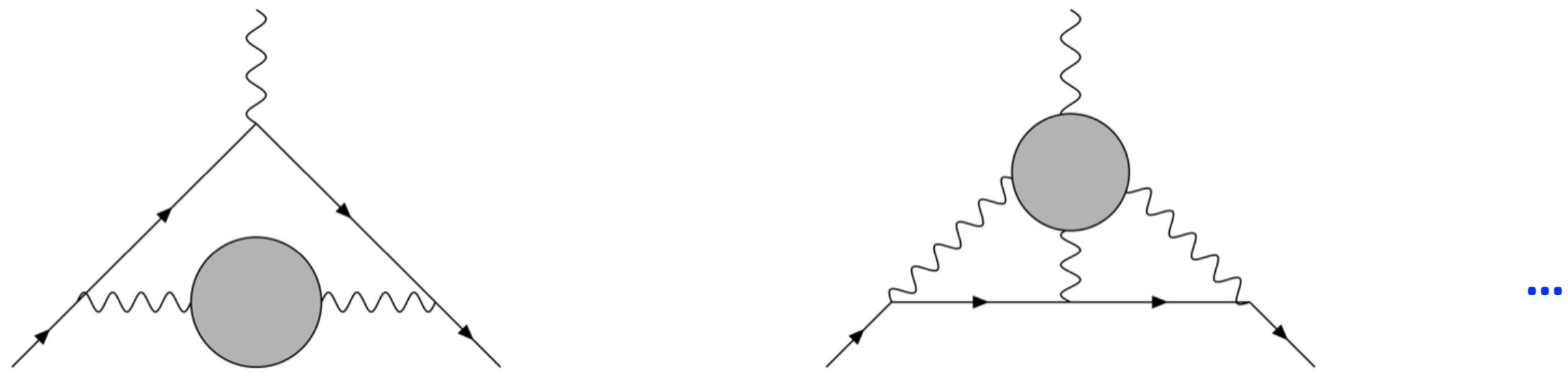
QED corrections:



Weak corrections:



Hadronic corrections:



The muon anomalous magnetic moment as a probe for new physics

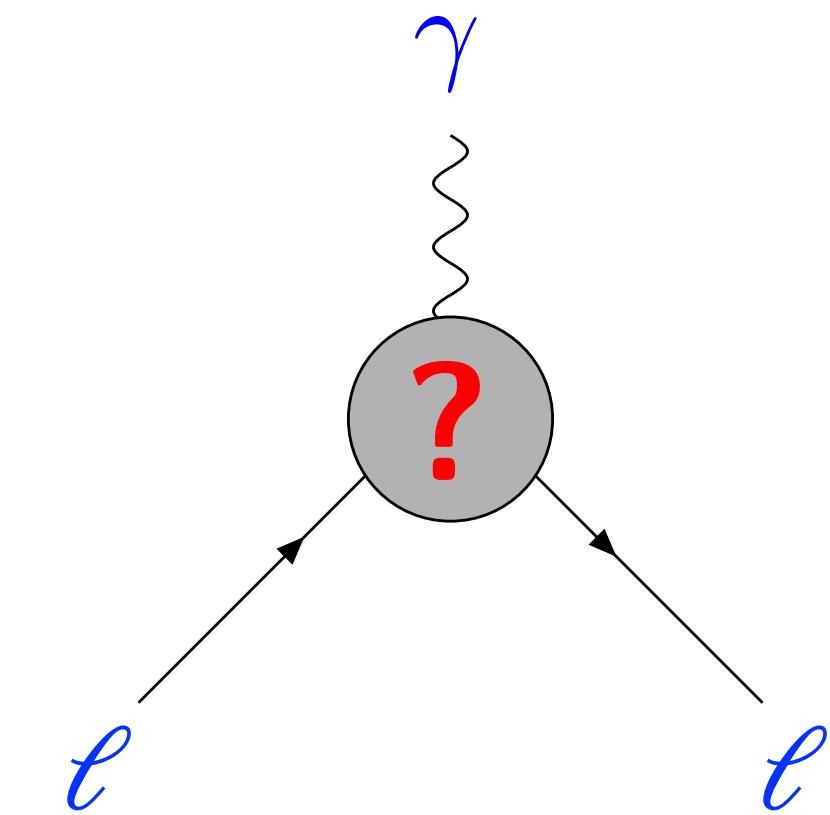
Lepton anomalous magnetic moments in the Standard Model:

$$a_\ell^{\text{SM}} = a_\ell^{\text{QED}} + a_\ell^{\text{weak}} + a_\ell^{\text{strong}}, \quad \ell = e, \mu, \tau$$

BSM physics contribution:

$$a_\ell = a_\ell^{\text{QED}} + a_\ell^{\text{weak}} + a_\ell^{\text{strong}} + a_\ell^{\text{BSM}}$$

$$a_\ell^{\text{BSM}} \propto m_\ell^2/M_{\text{BSM}}^2, \quad \ell = e, \mu, \tau$$



→ sensitivity of a_μ enhanced by $(m_\mu/m_e)^2 \approx 4.3 \times 10^4$ relative to a_e

QED contributions to a_μ

QED contribution has been worked out to in perturbation theory to 5-loop order:

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Complete Tenth-Order QED Contribution to the Muon $g - 2$

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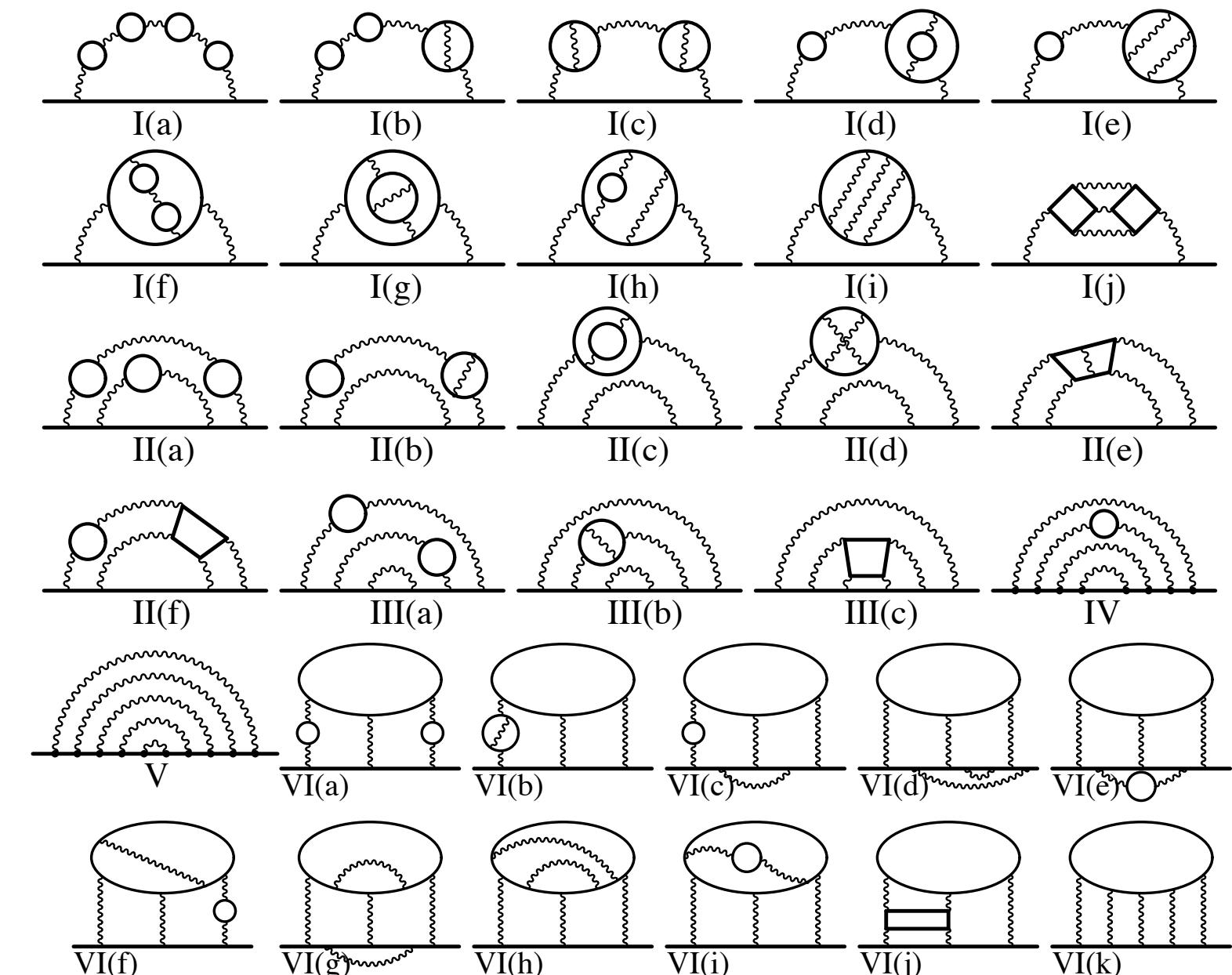
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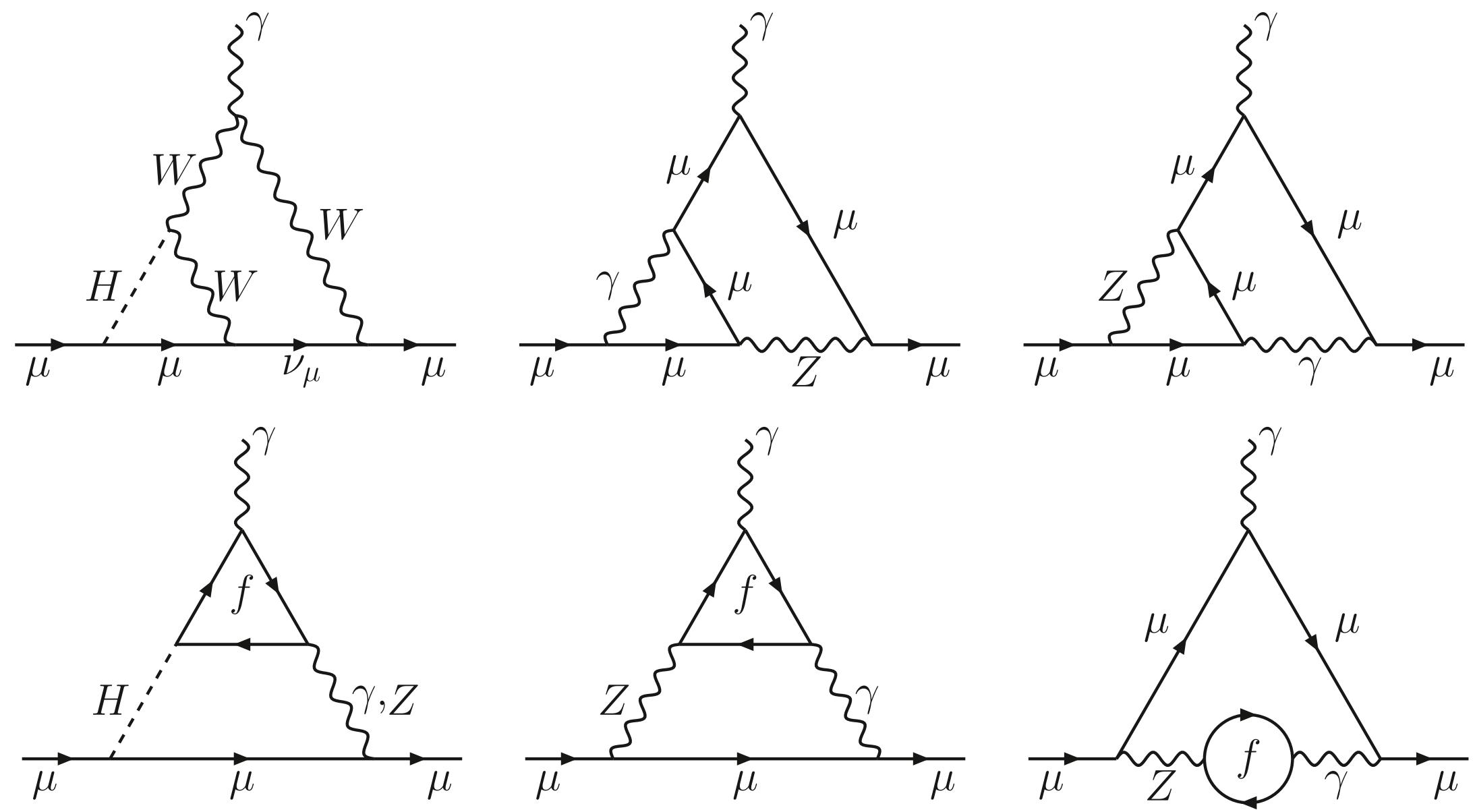
SM	116	591	810	100	%	#diagrams
QED(tot)	116	584	718.931	99,9939	%	
2	116	140	973.321	99,6133	%	1
4	413	217.626	0,3544	0,3544	%	9
6	30	141.902	0,0259	0,0259	%	72
8		381.004	0,0003	0,0003	%	891
10		5.078	$4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$4 \cdot 10^{-6}$	%	12672



Electroweak contributions to a_μ

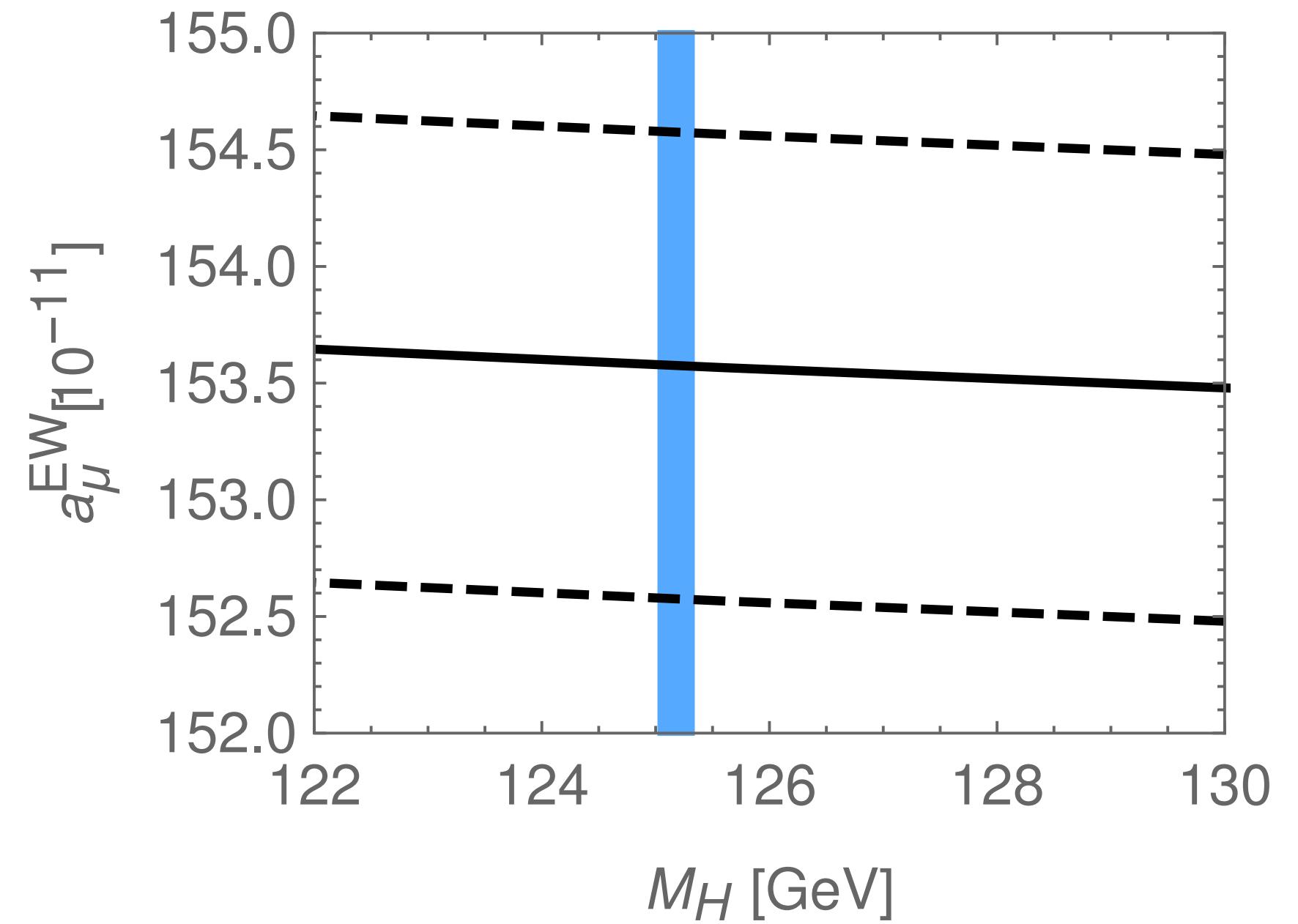
Weak contributions known to leading three-loop order

Sample two-loop diagrams:



$$a_\mu^{\text{weak}} = (153.6 \pm 1.0) \times 10^{-11}$$

Dependence on the Higgs mass



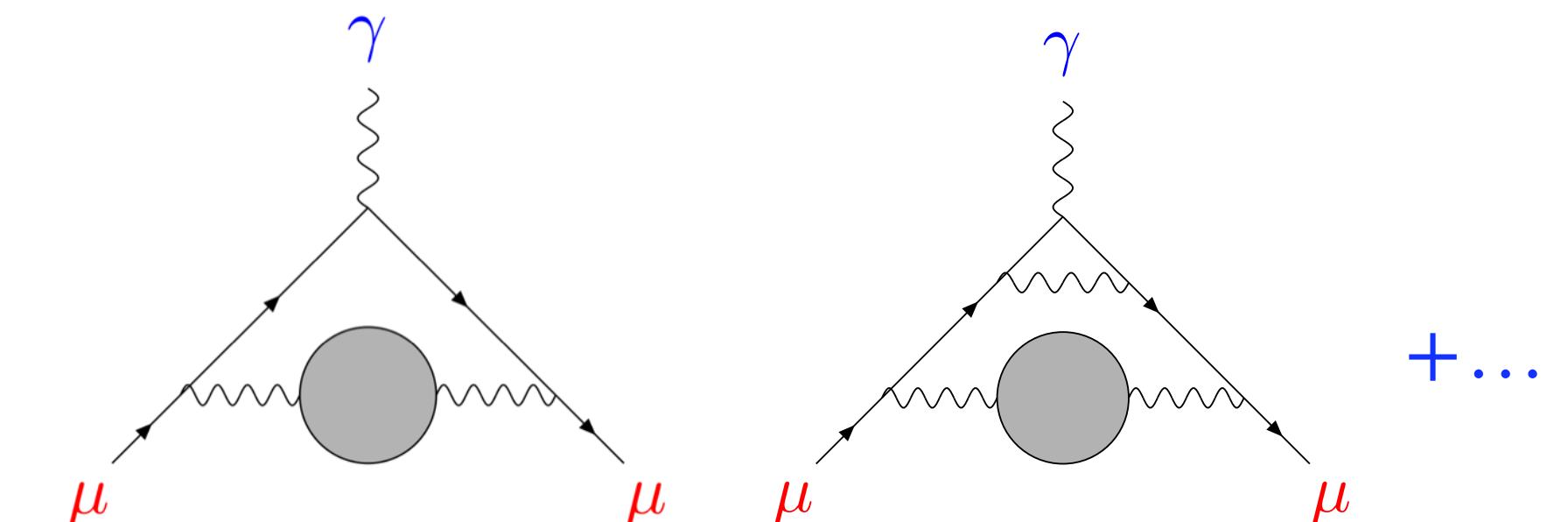
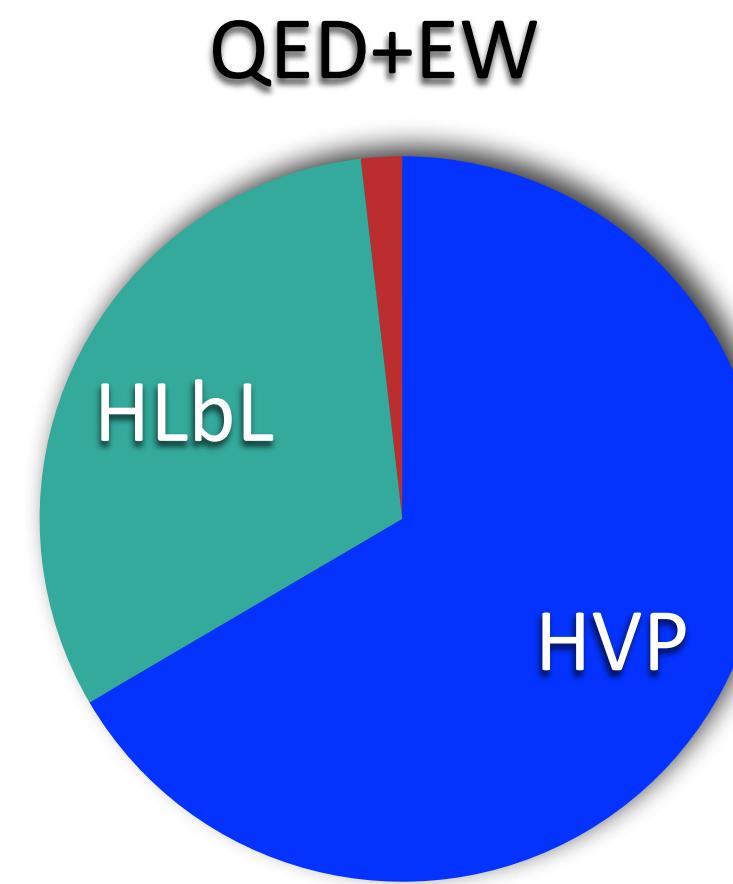
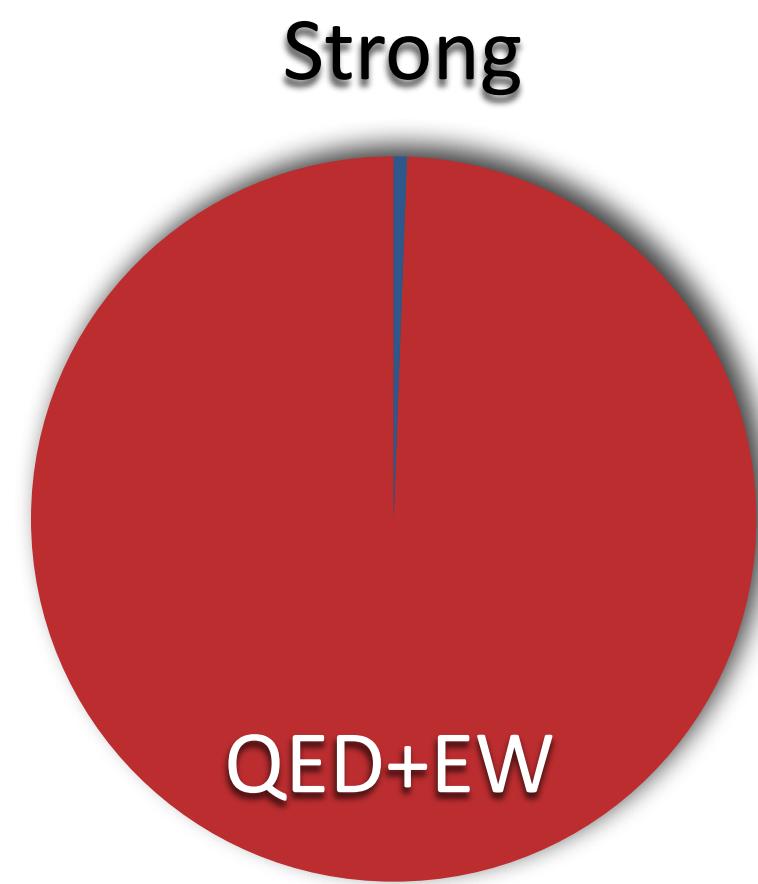
[Gnendiger et al., arXiv:1306.5546]

[Aoyama et al., Phys. Rep. 887 (2020) 1, arXiv:2006.04822]

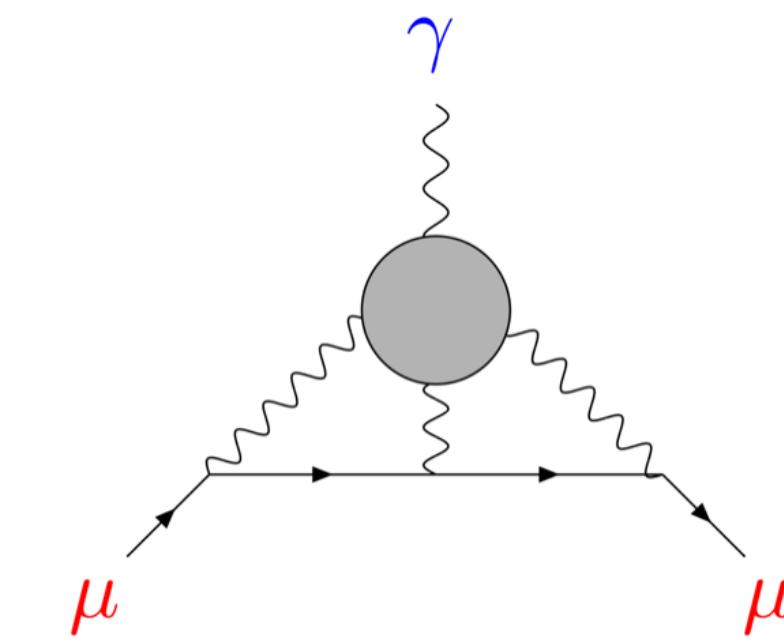
Hadronic contributions to a_μ

QED and electroweak contributions account for 99.994% of the SM prediction for a_μ

Error is dominated by strong interaction effects



Hadronic vacuum polarisation (HVP)



Hadronic light-by-light scattering (HLbL)

Two main approaches:

- Dispersion theory using experimentally determined cross sections (“data-driven”)
- Lattice QCD calculations (“ab initio”)

Standard Model prediction – White Paper estimate

Contributions to the muon $g - 2$ from electromagnetism, weak and strong interactions:

QED:

$$116\,584\,718.9(1) \times 10^{-11} \quad 0.001 \text{ ppm}$$

Weak:

$$153.6(1.0) \times 10^{-11} \quad 0.01 \text{ ppm}$$

Hadronic vacuum polarisation:

$$6845(40) \times 10^{-11} \quad 0.34 \text{ ppm} \quad [0.6\%]$$

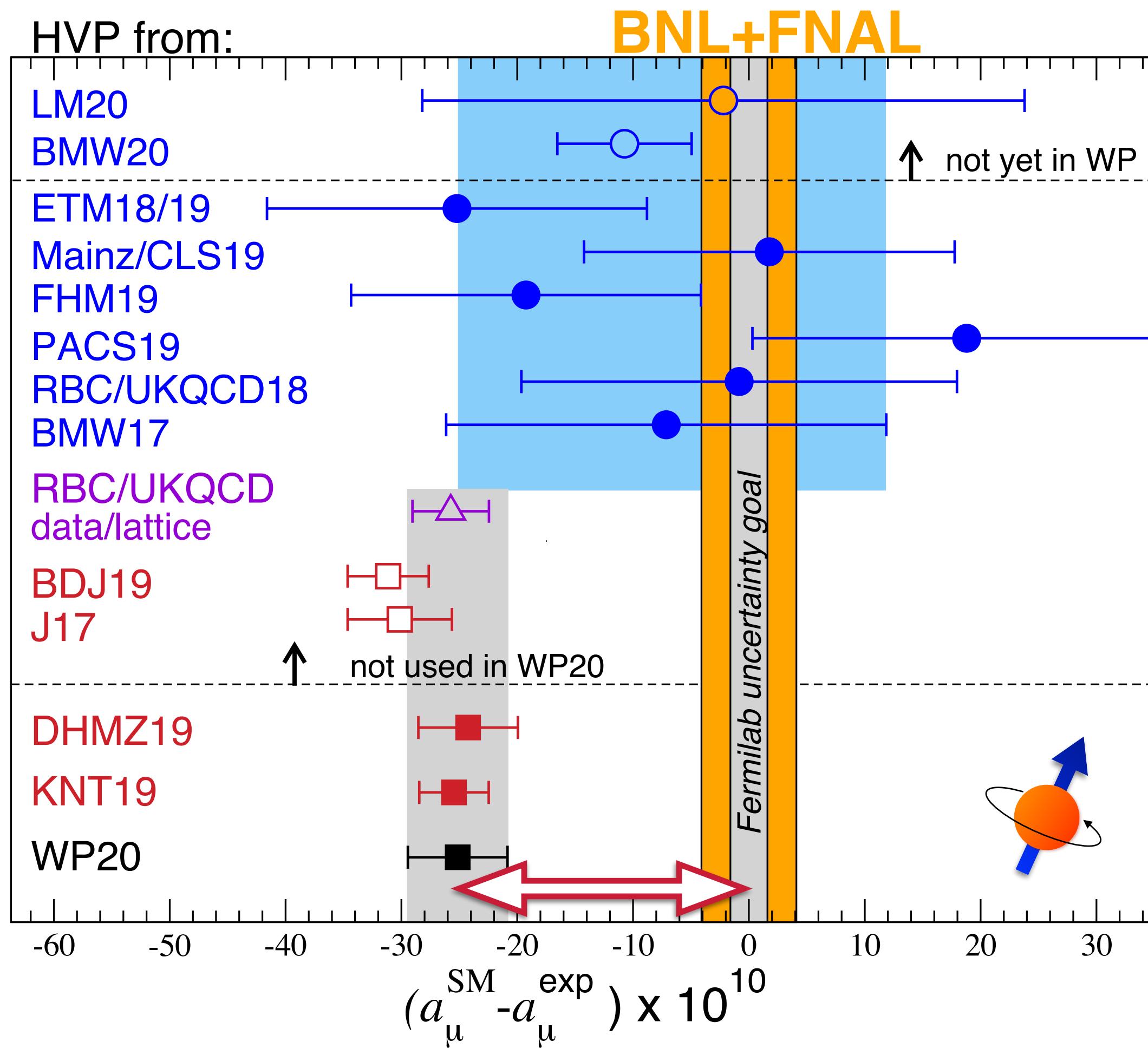
Hadronic light-by-light scattering:

$$92(18) \times 10^{-11} \quad 0.15 \text{ ppm} \quad [20\%]$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = a_\mu^{\text{QED}} + a_\mu^{\text{weak}} + a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} + a_\mu^{\text{hlbl}} = 116\,591\,810(43) \times 10^{-11} \quad 0.37 \text{ ppm}$$

[Aoyama et al., Phys. Rep. 887 (2020) 1, arXiv:2006.04822]

Standard Model prediction versus experiment



SM prediction (White Paper):

$$a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = 116\,591\,810(43) \times 10^{-11}$$

FNAL E989 (2021):

$$a_\mu^{\text{E989}} = 116\,592\,040(54) \times 10^{-11}$$

Combined with BNL E821 (2004):

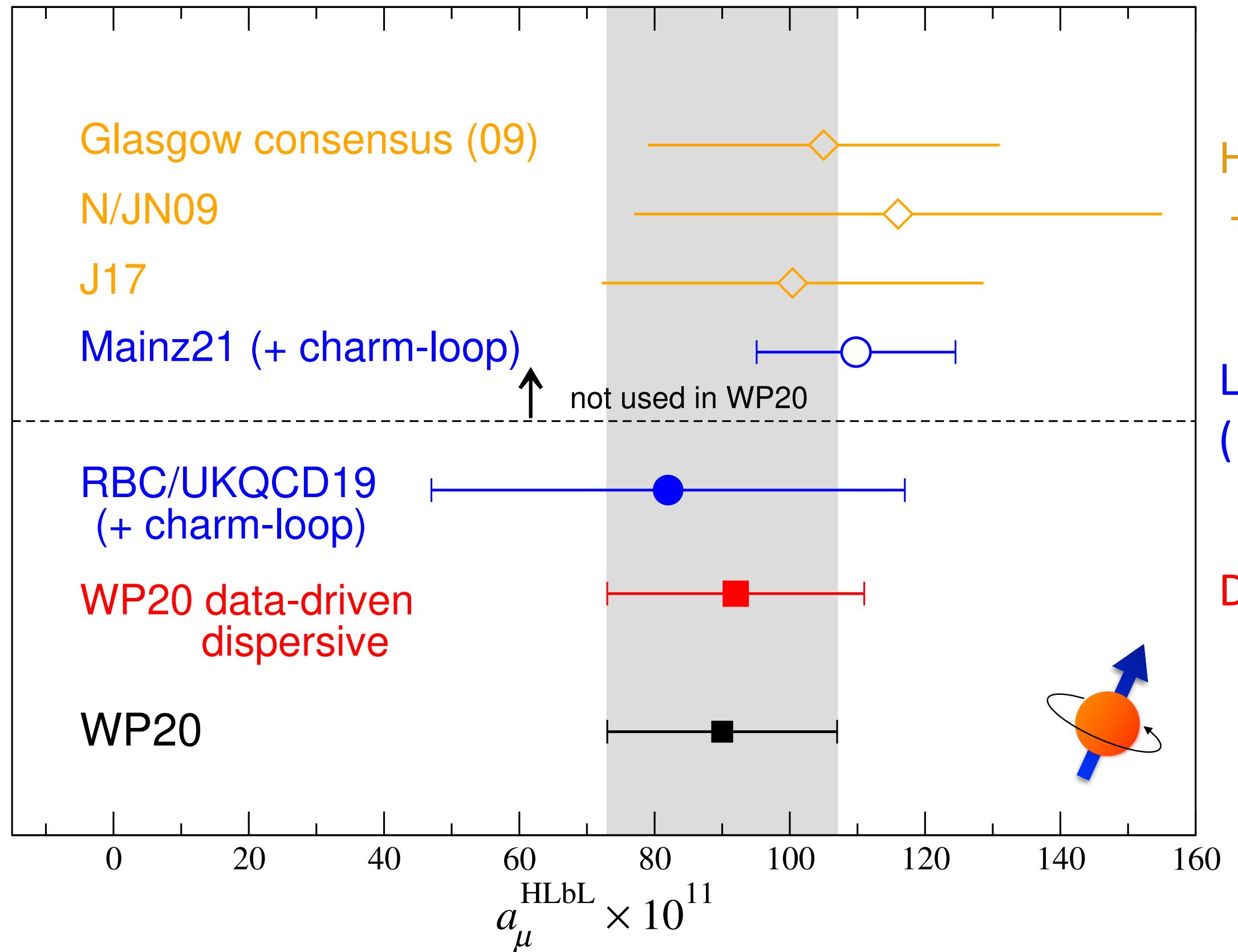
$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} = 116\,592\,061(41) \times 10^{-11}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = 251(59) \times 10^{-11} \quad (4.2\sigma)$$

[Aoyama *et al.*, Phys. Rep. 887 (2020) 1; Colangelo *et al.*, arXiv:2203.15810]

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White Paper:

$$a_\mu^{\text{hlbl}} = (92 \pm 18) \cdot 10^{-11}$$

Direct lattice calculations (Mainz):

$$a_\mu^{\text{hlbl}} = (106.8 \pm 14.7) \cdot 10^{-11}$$

(excluding charm loop)

$$a_\mu^{\text{hlbl,c}} = (2.8 \pm 0.5) \cdot 10^{-11}$$

[Chao et al., Eur. Phys. J. C81 (2021) 7, 651;
arXiv:2204.08844]

$$\Rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} \Big|_{\text{Mainz}}^{\text{hlbl}} = 234(59) \times 10^{-11} \quad (4.0 \sigma)$$

Hadronic light-by-light scattering not the dominant source of uncertainty!

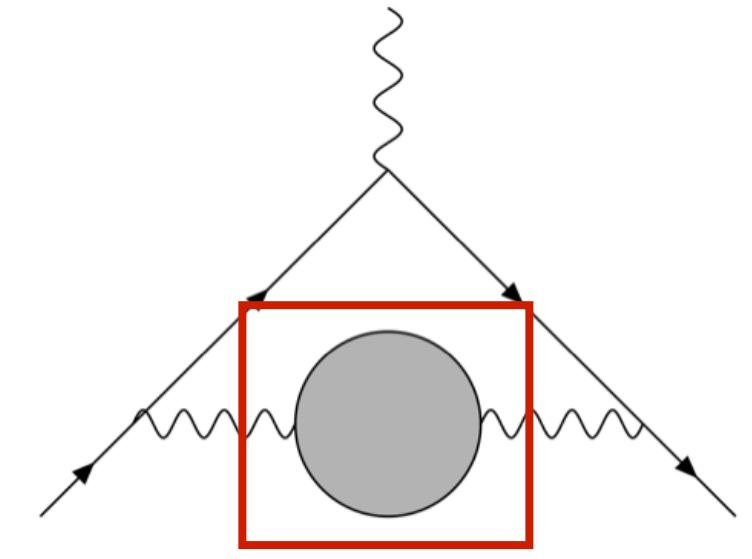
Hadronic vacuum polarisation from dispersion theory

Analyticity, unitarity & optical theorem imply:

$$\text{---} \circlearrowleft = \int \frac{ds}{\pi(s - q^2)} \text{Im } \text{---} \circlearrowright$$

$$2 \text{Im } \text{---} \circlearrowleft = \sum_{\text{had}} \int d\Phi \left| \text{---} \circlearrowright \right|^2$$

$\propto \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})$



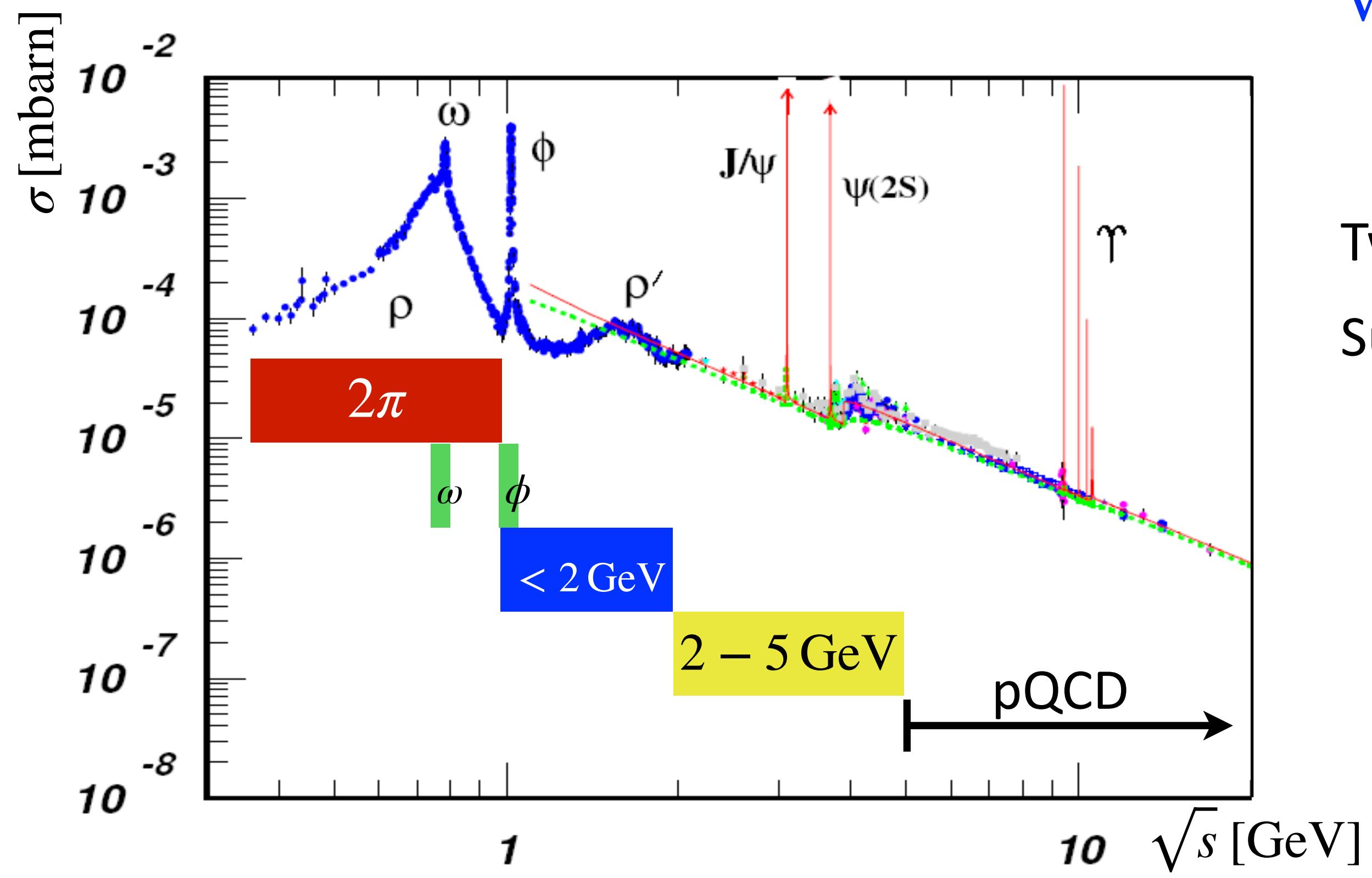
$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} = \left(\frac{\alpha m_\mu}{3\pi} \right)^2 \int_{m_{\pi^0}^2}^\infty ds \frac{R_{\text{had}}(s) \hat{K}(s)}{s^2}, \quad R_{\text{had}}(s) = \frac{3s}{4\pi \alpha(s)} \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}) \quad \text{"R-ratio"}$$

Hadronic effects cannot be treated in perturbation theory

- Use experimental data for $R_{\text{had}}(s)$ in the low-energy regime (“data-driven approach”)
- Standard Model prediction is subject to experimental uncertainties

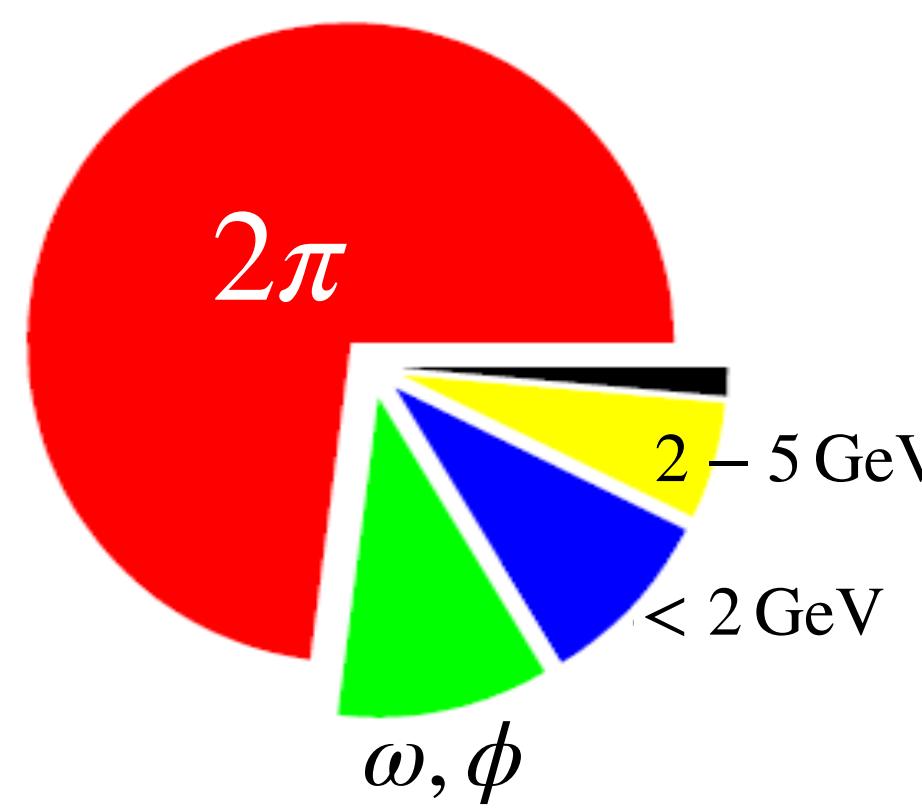
Data-driven approach: Hadronic cross sections

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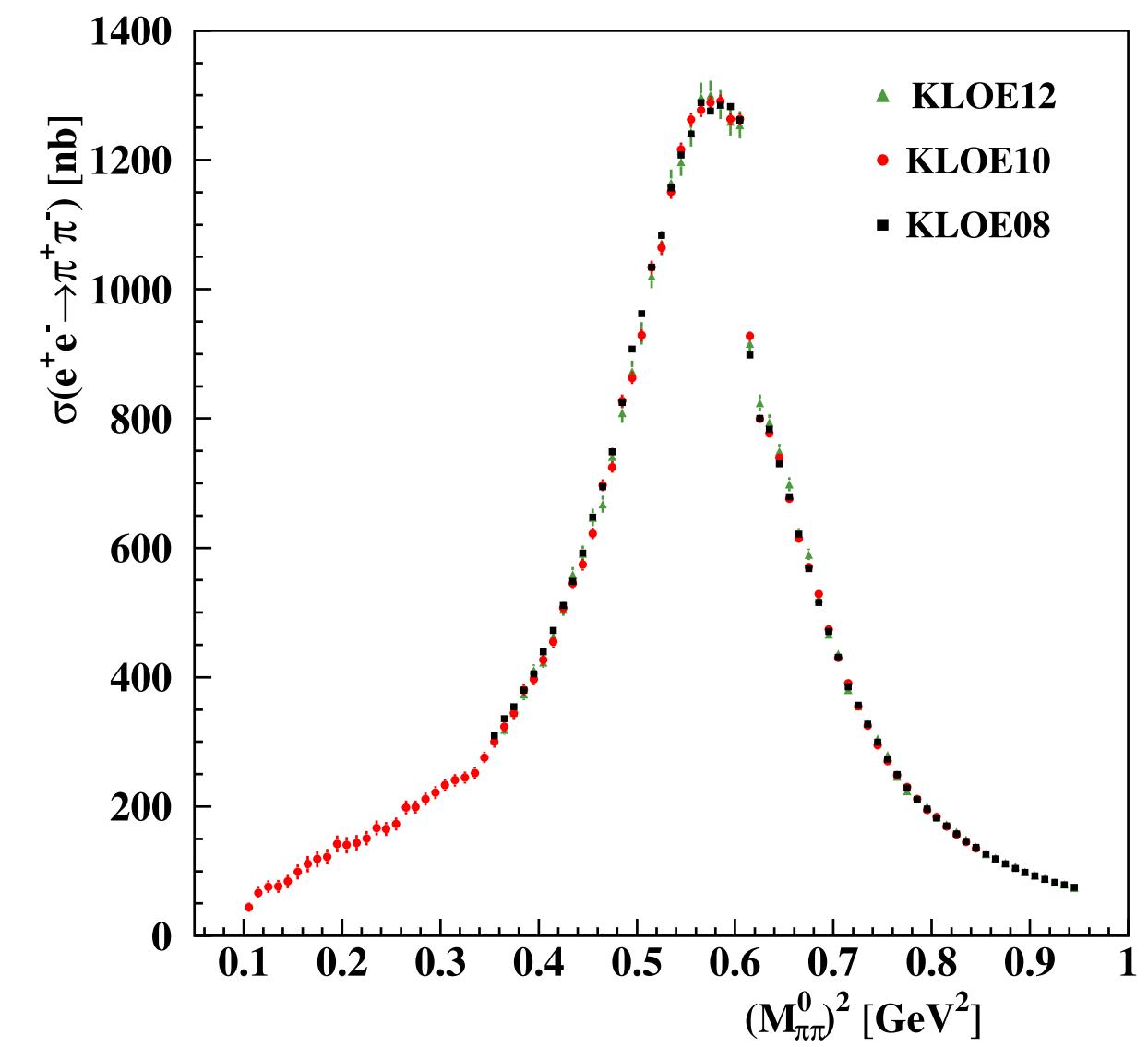
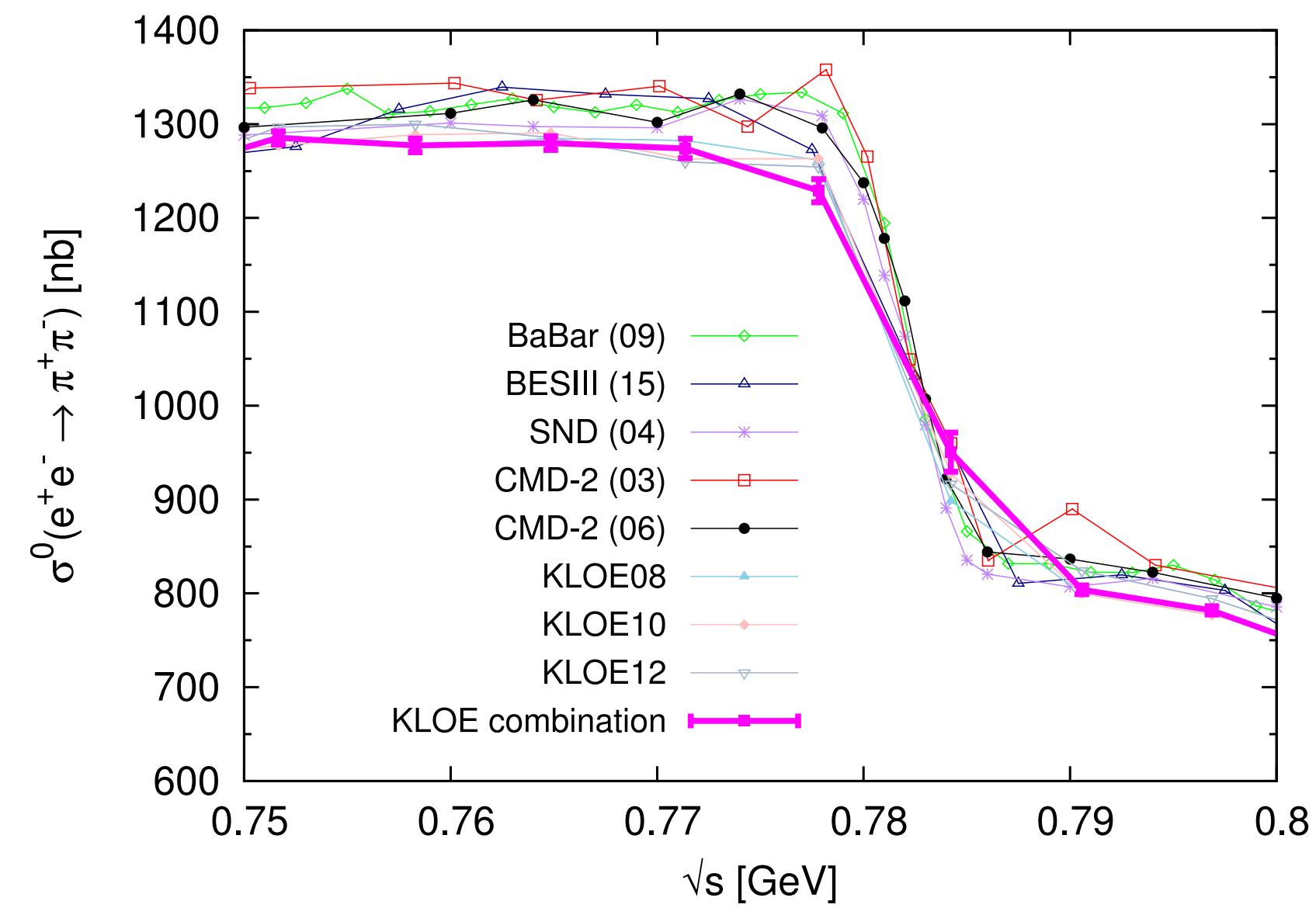
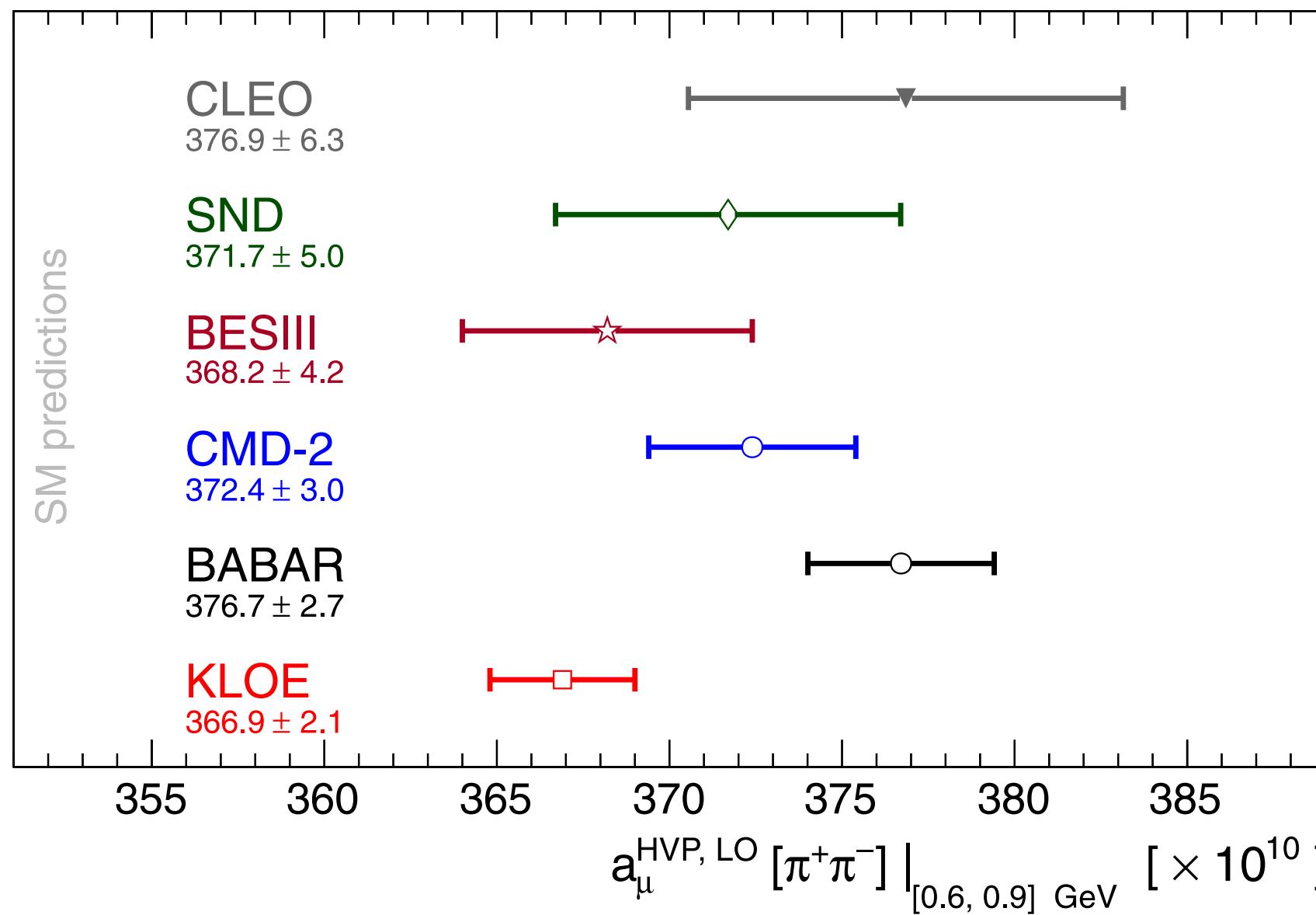


Decade-long effort to measure e^+e^- cross sections
 $\sqrt{s} \lesssim 2 \text{ GeV}$: sum of exclusive channels
 $\sqrt{s} > 2 \text{ GeV}$: inclusive channels, narrow resonances,
perturbative QCD

Two-pion channel accounts for $\approx 70\%$ of LO-HVP
Subleading channels: ω, ϕ decays,
final states with 3 pions, 2 kaons, 4 pions,...



Two-pion channel



- Tension in the data for $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$ between BaBar and KLOE
- Extended (re-)analysis of ISR data: BaBar (in progress) and KLOE (planned)
- New data: SND-3 (published), CMD-3 (expected) and BESIII
- Future prospects at Belle II

Evaluation of the dispersion integral

Many different groups and analyses (DHMZ, KNT, FJ, CHHKS, BHLS,...)

Disagreement for some exclusive channels

	DHMZ19	KNT19	Difference
$\pi^+ \pi^-$	507.85(0.83)(3.23)(0.55)	504.23(1.90)	3.62
$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$	46.21(0.40)(1.10)(0.86)	46.63(94)	-0.42
$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^+ \pi^-$	13.68(0.03)(0.27)(0.14)	13.99(19)	-0.31
$\pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0 \pi^0$	18.03(0.06)(0.48)(0.26)	18.15(74)	-0.12
$K^+ K^-$	23.08(0.20)(0.33)(0.21)	23.00(22)	0.08
$K_S K_L$	12.82(0.06)(0.18)(0.15)	13.04(19)	-0.22
$\pi^0 \gamma$	4.41(0.06)(0.04)(0.07)	4.58(10)	-0.17
Sum of the above	626.08(0.95)(3.48)(1.47)	623.62(2.27)	2.46
[1.8, 3.7] GeV (without $c\bar{c}$)	33.45(71)	34.45(56)	-1.00
$J/\psi, \psi(2S)$	7.76(12)	7.84(19)	-0.08
[3.7, ∞] GeV	17.15(31)	16.95(19)	0.20
Total $a_\mu^{\text{HVP, LO}}$	694.0(1.0)(3.5)(1.6)(0.1) $_\psi$ (0.7) $_{\text{DV+QCD}}$	692.8(2.4)	1.2

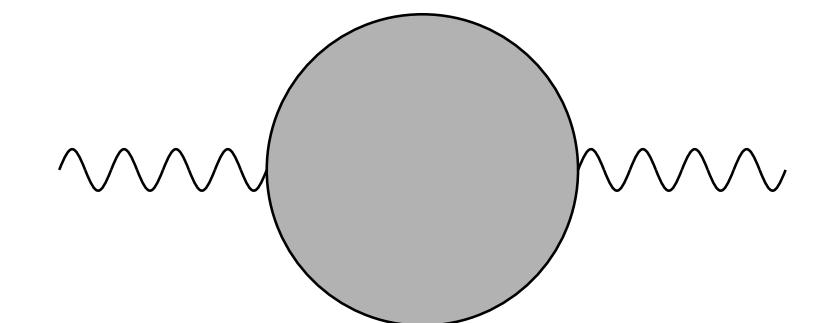
Merging procedure: average of individual results + theoretical constraints + conservative error estimate (reflecting tensions in the data, differences in procedures)

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp, LO}} = 693.1(2.8)_{\text{exp}}(2.8)_{\text{syst}}(0.7)_{\text{DV+QCD}} \times 10^{-10} = 693.1(4.0) \times 10^{-10} \quad [0.6\%]$$

Hadronic vacuum polarisation from Lattice QCD

Lattice QCD does **NOT** determine the R -ratio from first principles

Primary observable: $G(t) = -\frac{a^3}{3} \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\vec{x}} G_{kk}(\vec{x}, t), \quad G_{\mu\nu}(x) = \langle j_\mu^{\text{em}}(x) j_\nu^{\text{em}}(0) \rangle$



Electromagnetic current: $j_\mu^{\text{em}}(x) = \frac{2}{3}\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{3}\bar{d}\gamma_\mu d - \frac{1}{3}\bar{s}\gamma_\mu s + \frac{2}{3}\bar{c}\gamma_\mu c + \dots$

Vacuum polarisation function for Euclidean momenta $-Q^2 < 0$:

$$\underbrace{4\pi^2 \left\{ \Pi(-q^2) - \Pi(0) \right\}}_{\hat{\Pi}(Q^2)} = \frac{Q^2}{3} \int_0^\infty ds \frac{R(s)}{s(s+Q^2)} = \frac{1}{Q^2} \int_0^\infty dt G(t) \left[Q^2 t^2 - 4 \sin^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} Qt \right) \right]$$

t : Euclidean time [Bernecker & Meyer 2011]

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp, LO}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^2 \int_0^\infty dQ^2 f(Q^2) \hat{\Pi}(Q^2) = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \right)^2 \int_0^\infty dt G(t) \underbrace{\int_0^\infty dQ^2 f(Q^2) \left[t^2 - \frac{4}{Q^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} Qt \right) \right]}_{\tilde{K}(t)}$$

[Lautrup, Peterman & de Rafael 1972, Blum 2002]

Hadronic vacuum polarisation from Lattice QCD

Time-momentum representation (TMR)

[Bernecker & Meyer 2011]

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp, LO}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dt \tilde{K}(t) G(t), \quad G(t) = -\frac{a^3}{3} \sum_k \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle j_k^{\text{em}}(\vec{x}, t) j_k^{\text{em}}(0) \rangle$$

$\tilde{K}(t)$: analytically known kernel function

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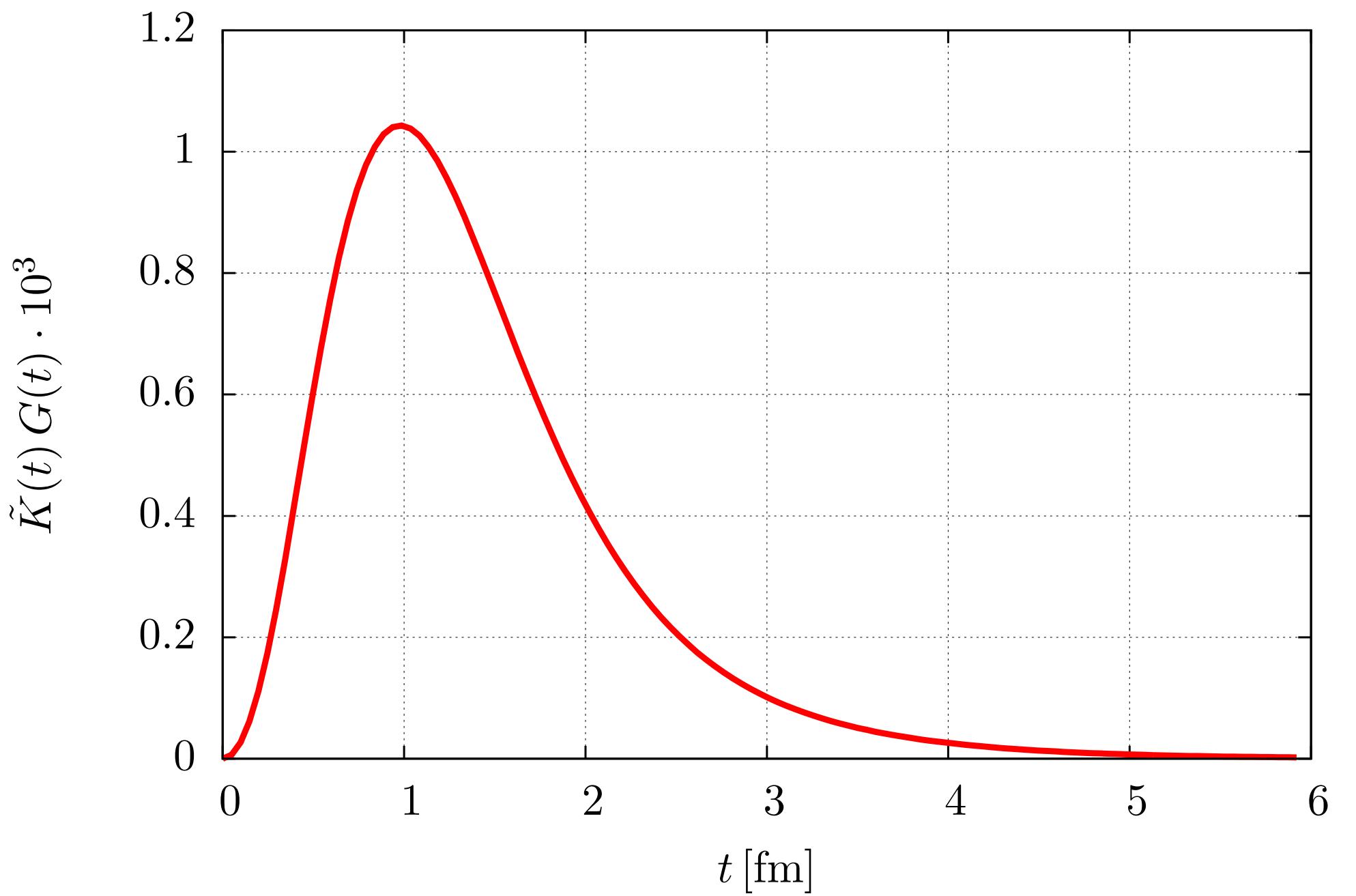
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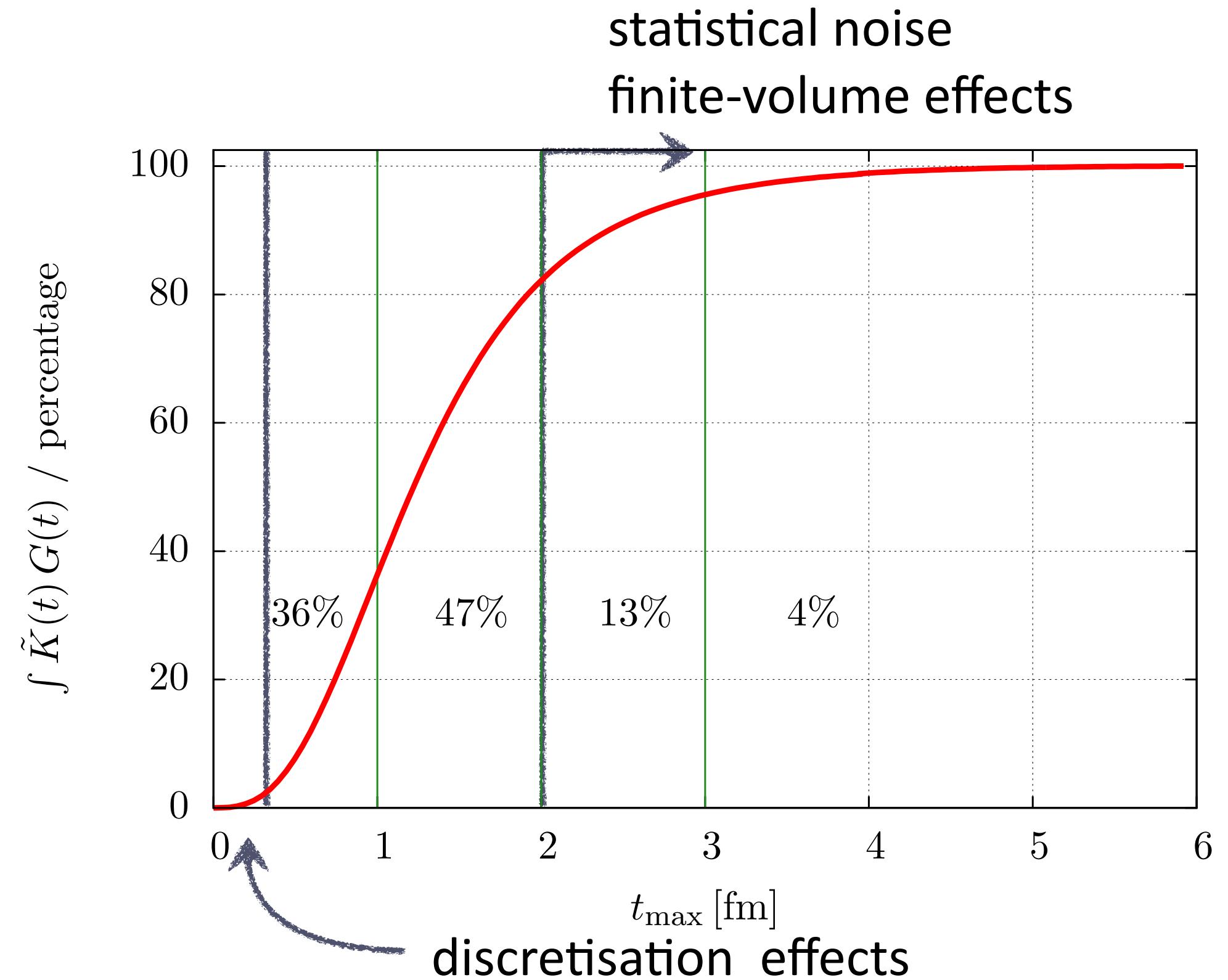
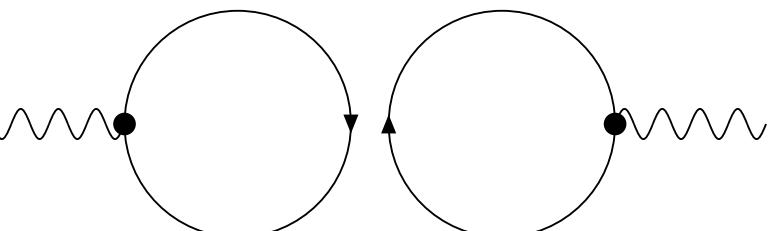
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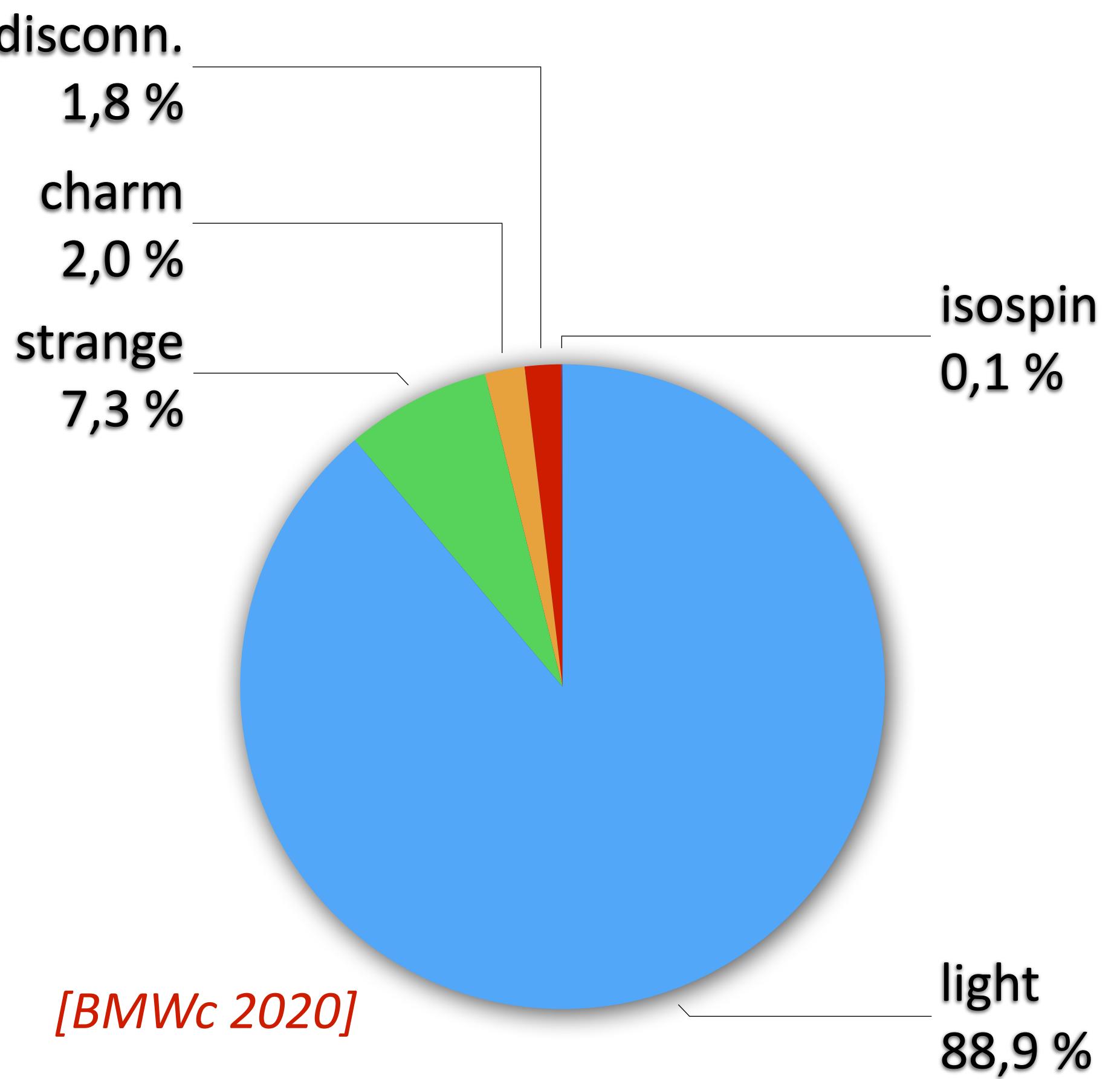
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Light-quark connected contribution dominates



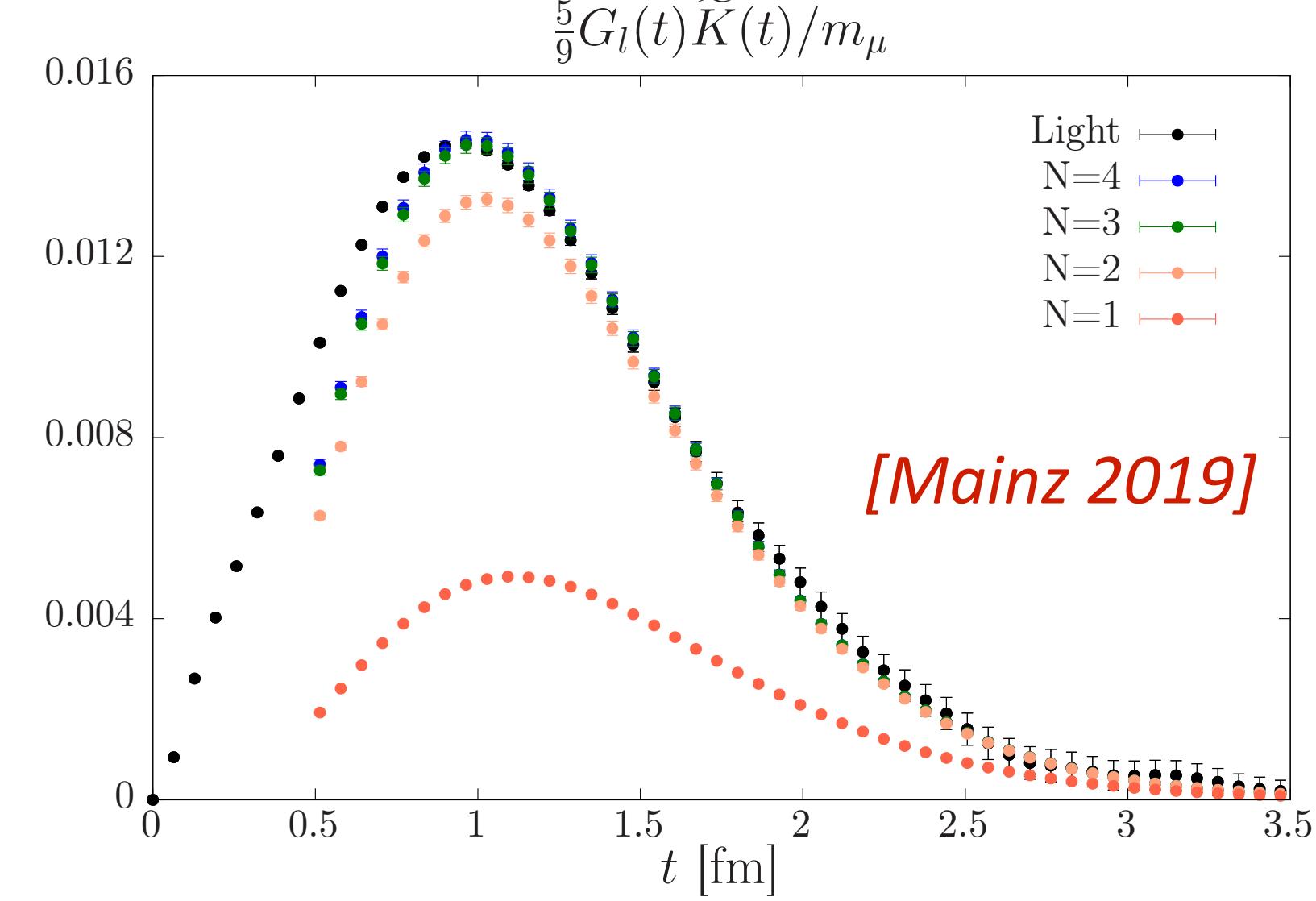
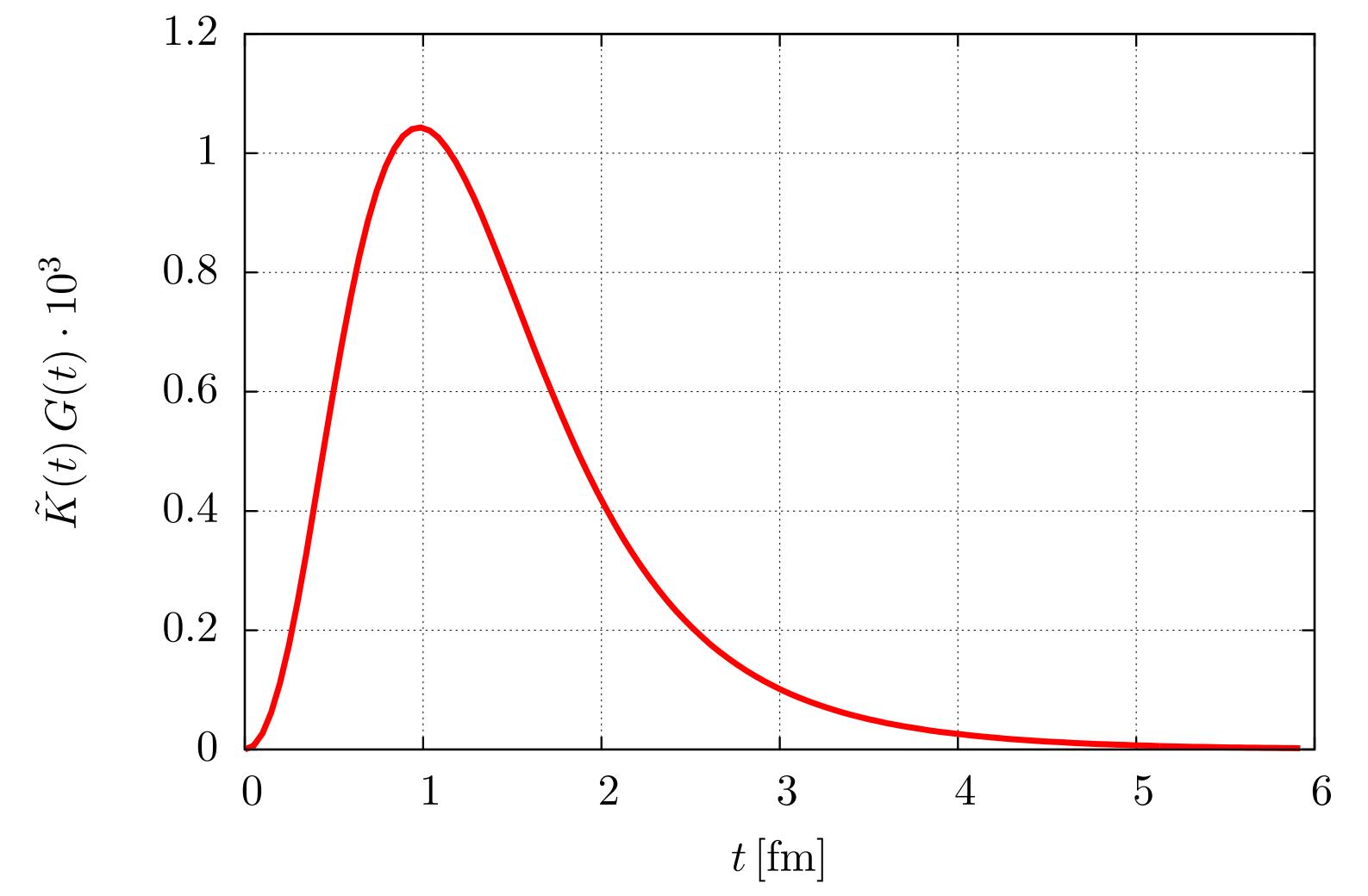
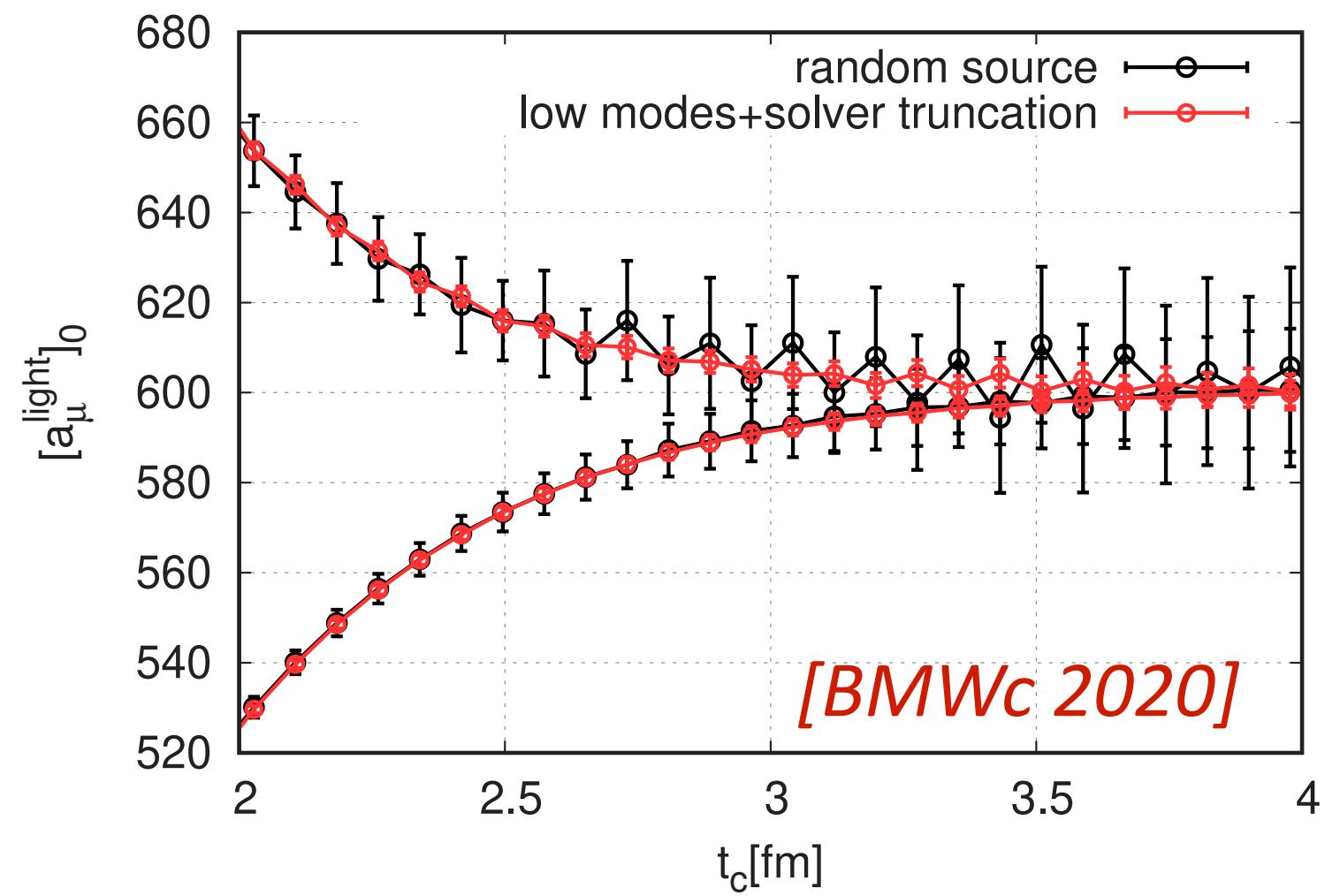
Controlling the long-distance tail of $G(t)$

- Long-distance tail of the light quark contribution to $G(t)$: limiting factor for overall statistical precision
- Correlator dominated by isovector two-pion contribution

Strategies:

- Dedicated calculations of the spectrum in isovector channel and/or pion form factor $F_\pi(\omega)$
- “Bounding method”:

$$0 \leq G(t) \leq G(t_c) \frac{G^{\pi\pi}(t)}{G^{\pi\pi}(t_c)}$$
- Noise-reduction methods:
 AMA, LMA, truncated solver
 (can be combined)



Finite-volume effects

Mainz method (aka MLL):

[Meyer 2011, Francis et al. 2013, Della Morte et al. 2017; Lellouch & Lüscher 2001]

$$G(t, L) \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow \infty} \sum_n |A_n|^2 e^{-\omega_n t}$$

$$G(t, \infty) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \omega^2 \rho(\omega^2) e^{-\omega|t|}$$

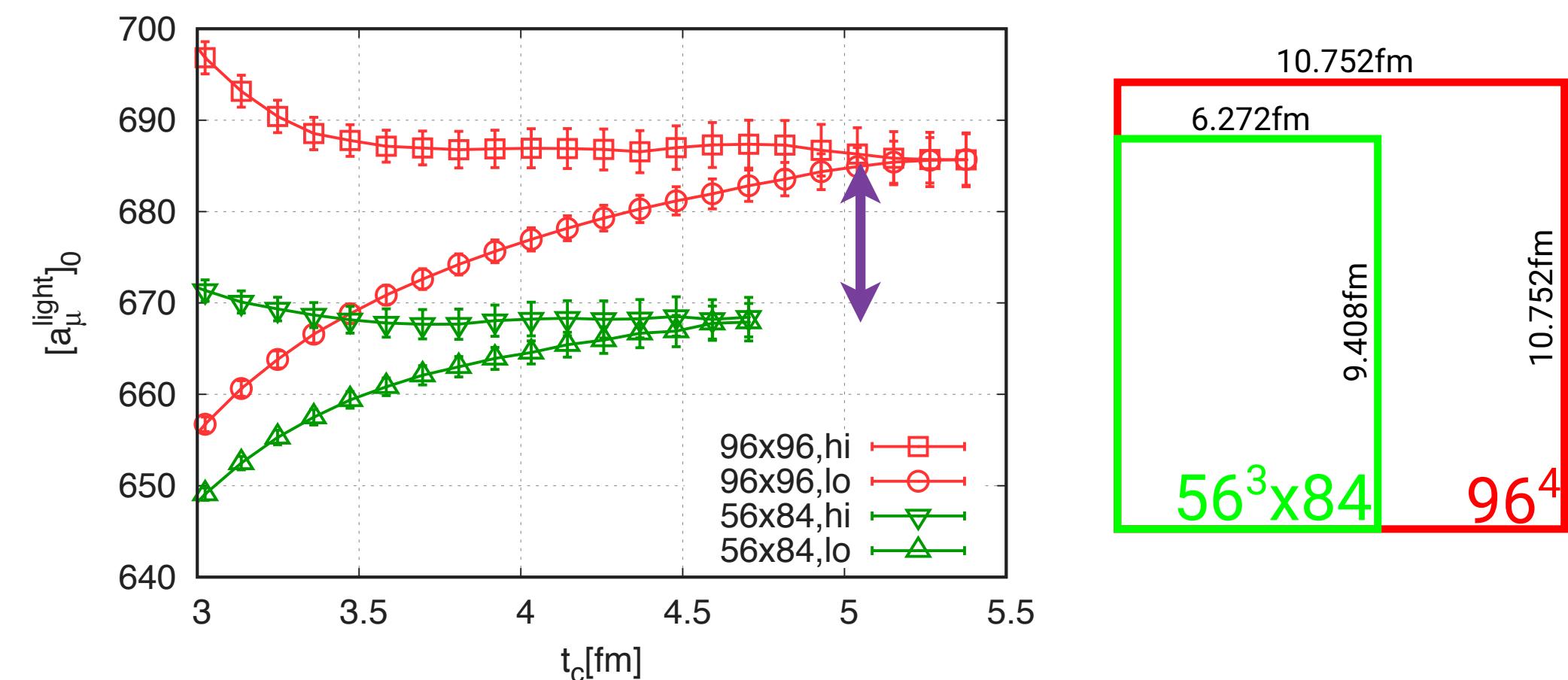
Both $|A_n|$ and $\rho(\omega^2)$ can be related to the pion form factor $F_\pi(\omega) \Rightarrow G(t, \infty) - G(t, L)$

Other methods:

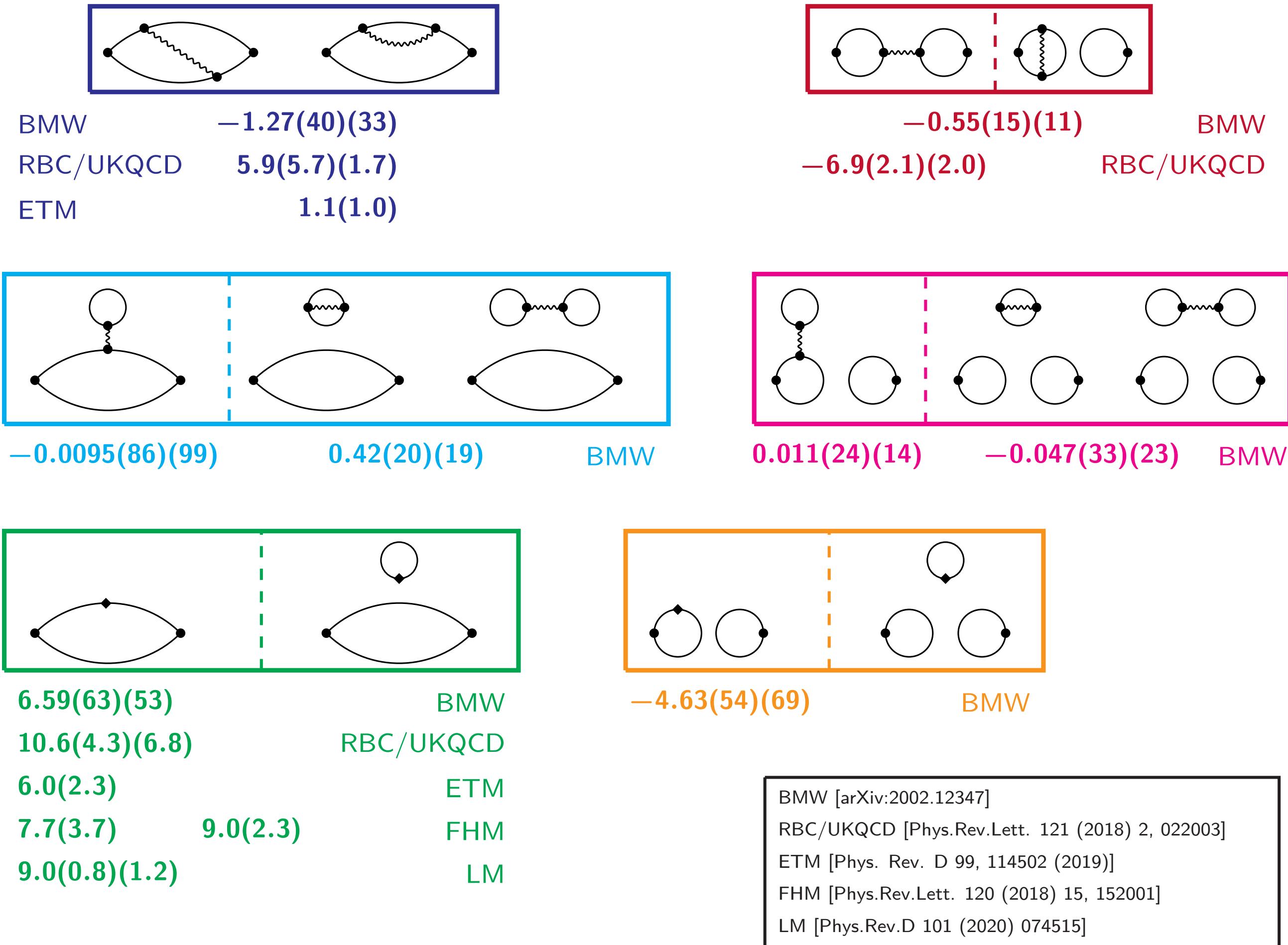
- Chiral Perturbation Theory [Aubin et al. 2015,...]
- Expansion in pion winding number [Hansen & Patella]

Correction	Comment
17.8	Gounaris-Sakurai model for $F_\pi(\omega)$
15.7	ChPT at NNLO
16.3	Expansion in pion winding number
18.1(2.4)	Direct lattice calculation

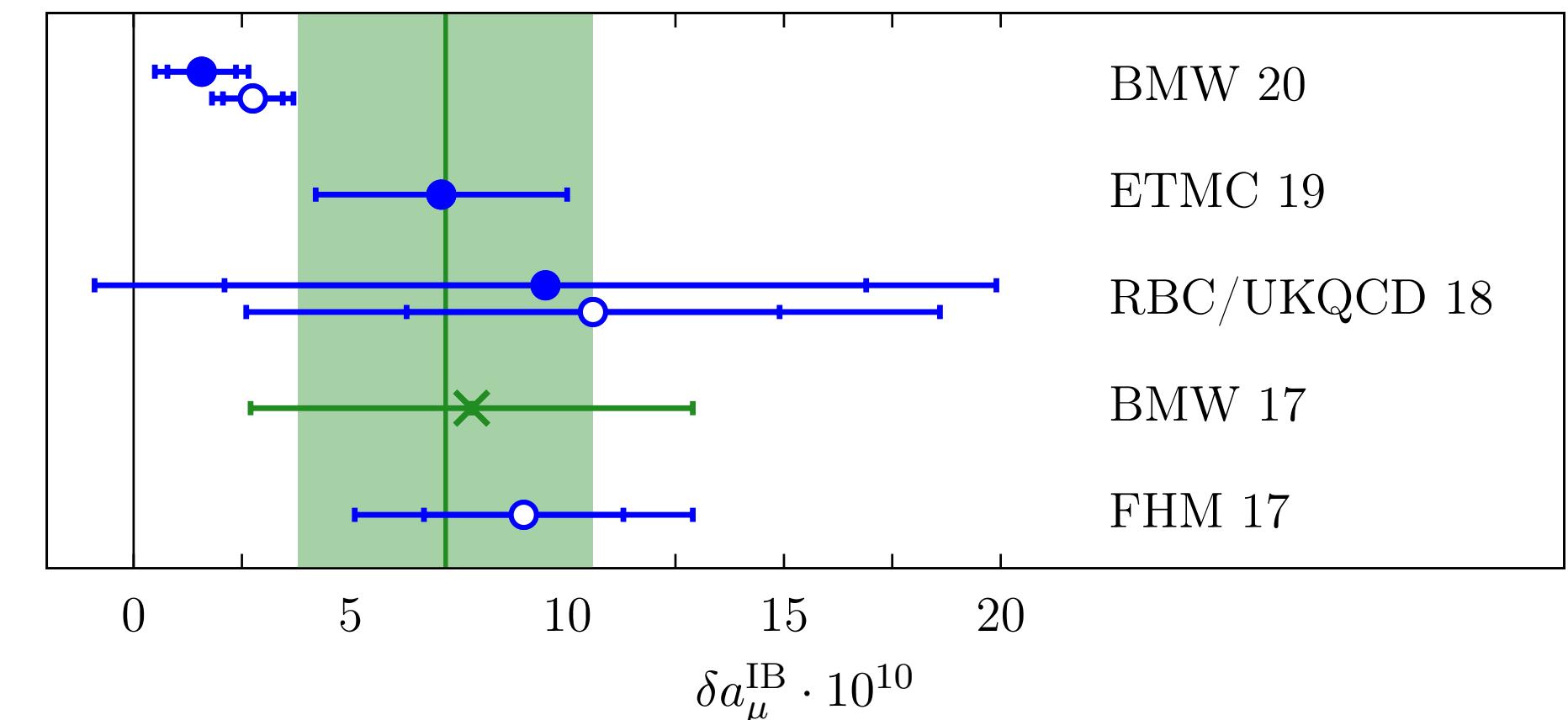
Direct lattice calculation by BMWc:



Isospin Breaking



Collection of published results:



- Small overall value result of cancellations
- Large statistical uncertainties:
 $a_\mu^{\text{IB}} \lesssim 1\%$, $\delta a_\mu^{\text{IB}} \lesssim 100\%$
- More precise calculations required

(Compilation by Vera Gülpers, Lattice-HVP Workshop Nov 2020)

Discretisations of the quark action

Rooted staggered quarks:

- remnant fermion doublers — “tastes”
- correct analytically for taste-induced lattice artefacts
- **low computational cost**
- used by [BMWc](#), [FHM](#), [Lehner & Meyer](#), [Aubin et al.](#), χ QCD

Wilson quarks:

- no doublers; chiral symmetry broken explicitly
- leading lattice artefacts of $O(a^2)$ after Symanzik improvement, twisted-mass formalism
- **moderate computational cost**
- used by [ETMC](#), [Mainz/CLS](#), [PACS](#)

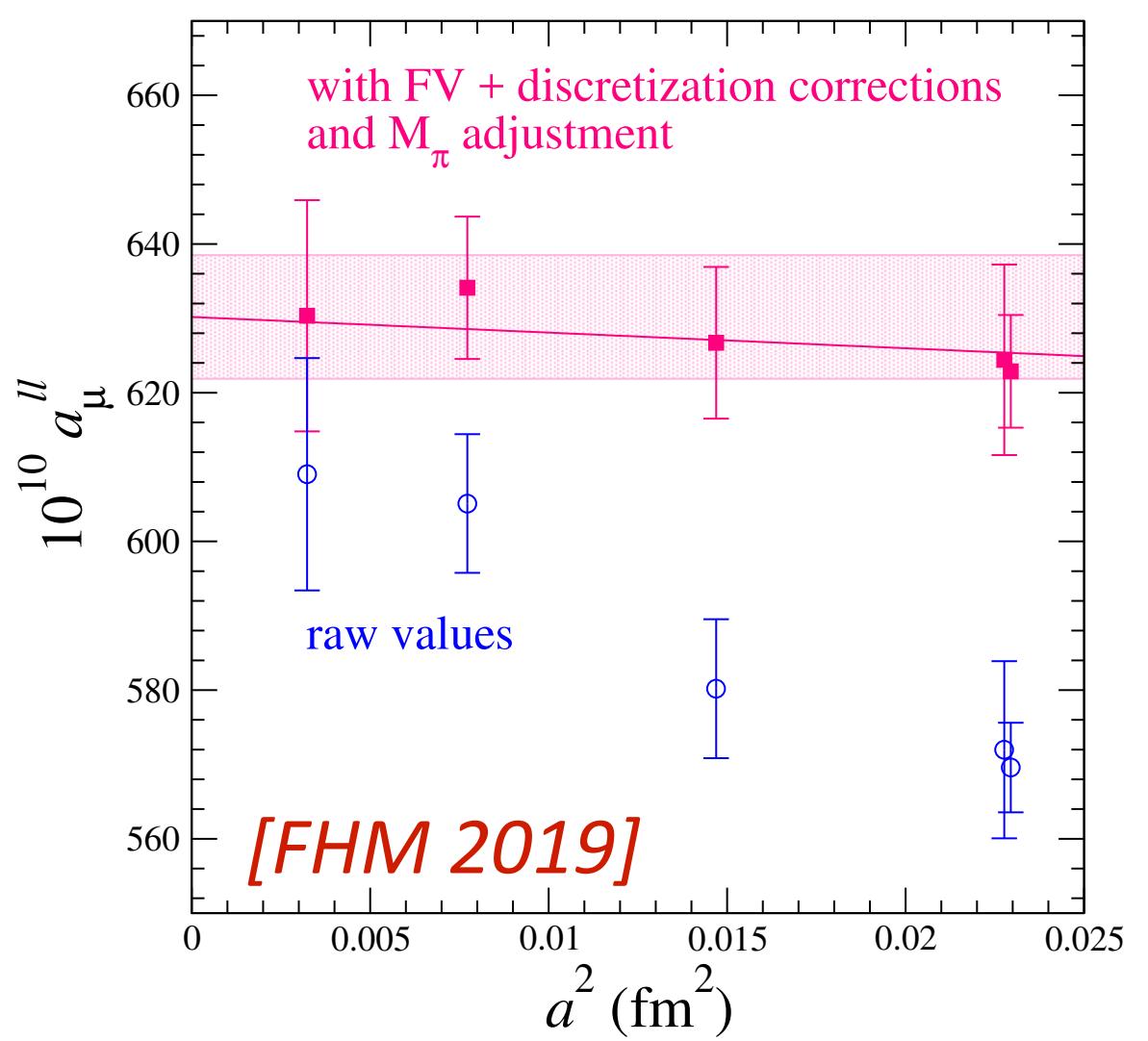
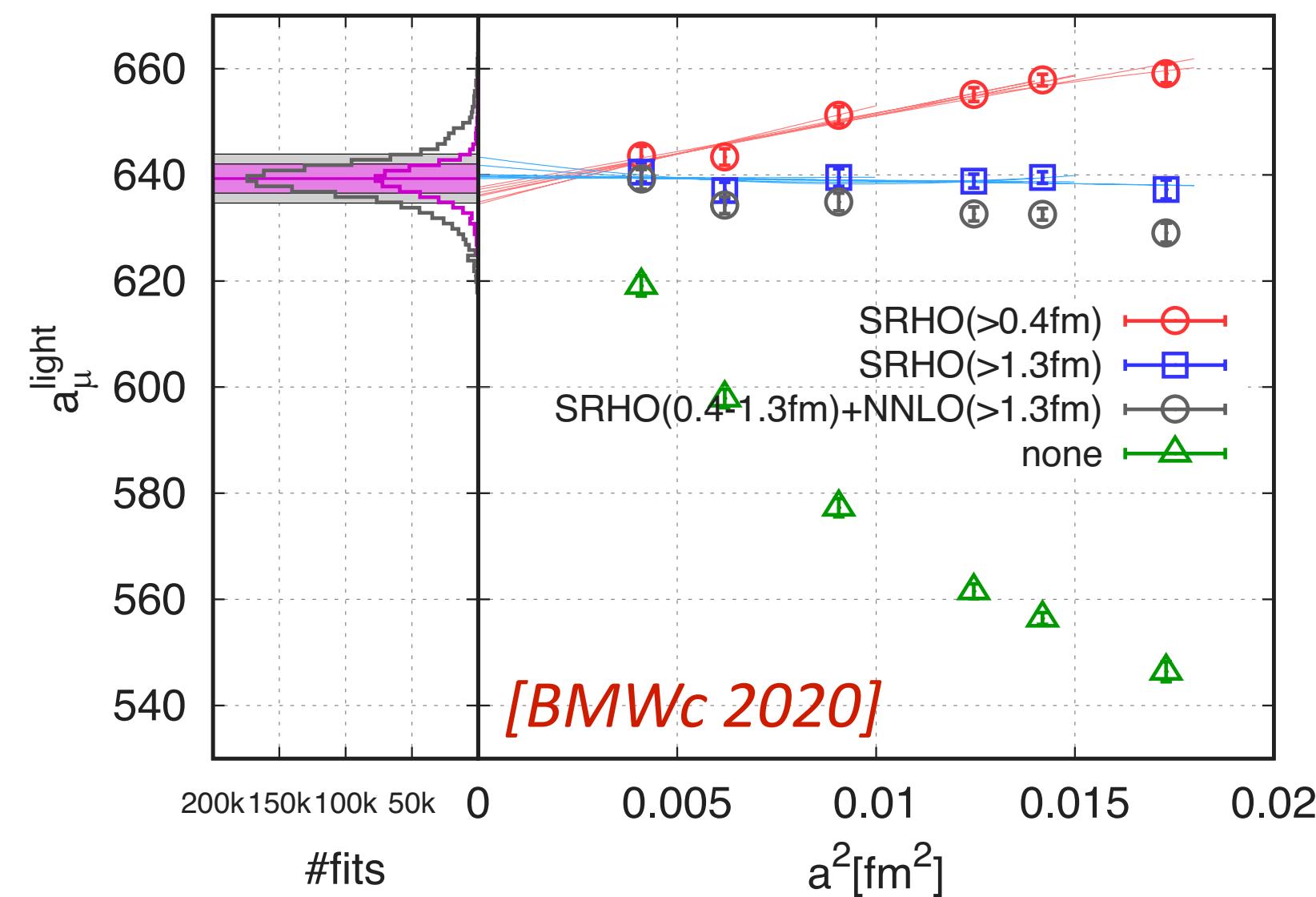
Domain wall /overlap quarks (Ginsparg-Wilson quarks):

- no doublers; chiral symmetry breaking exponentially small
- live in five dimensions (dwf); evaluate sign function of “conventional” discretisation (ovlp)
- leading lattice artefacts of $O(a^2)$
- **high computational cost**
- used by [RBC/UKQCD](#), [BMWc](#) (Ovlp valence), χ QCD (DWF sea, Ovlp valence)

Extrapolation to the physical point

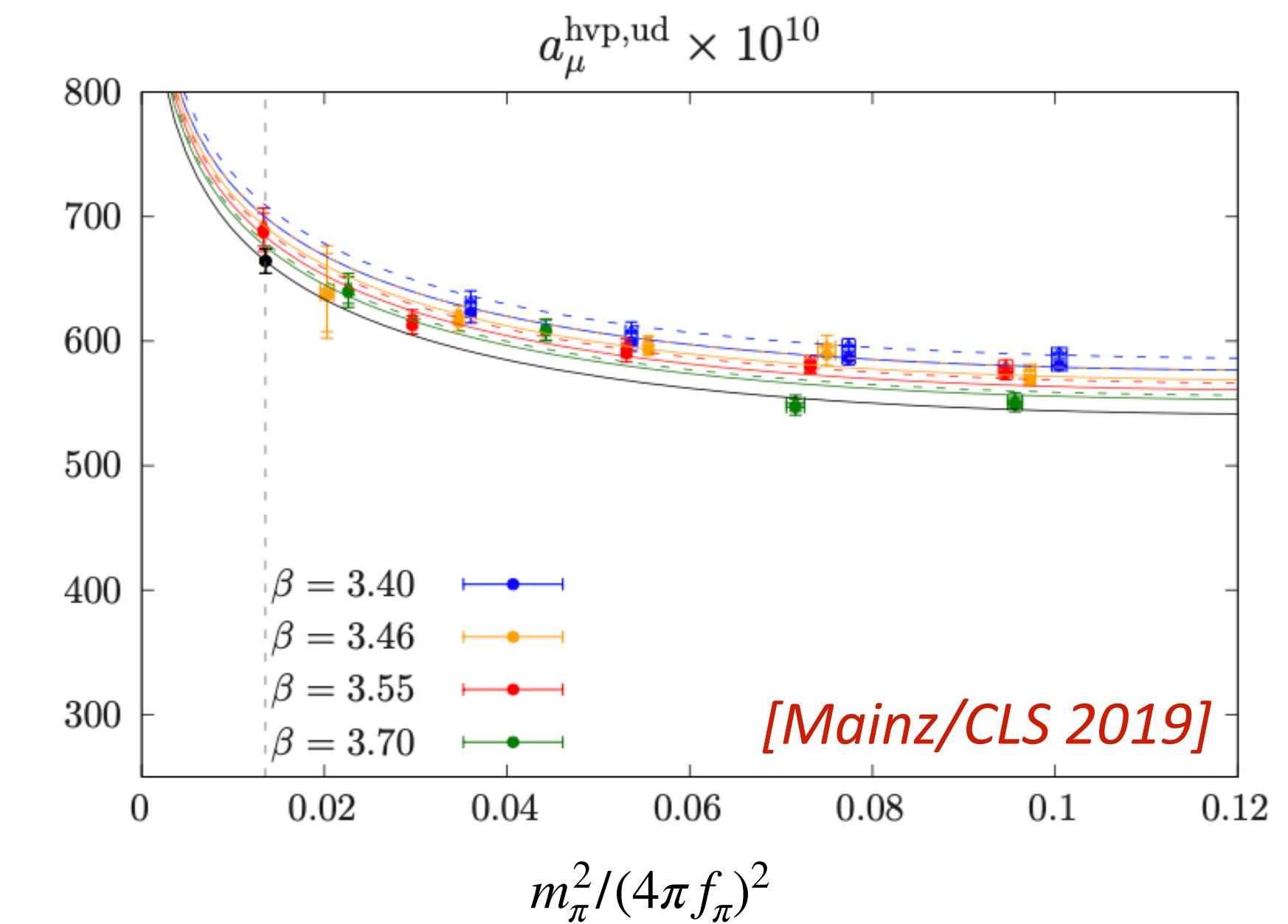
Staggered quarks:

correct for taste-breaking effects



Wilson quarks:

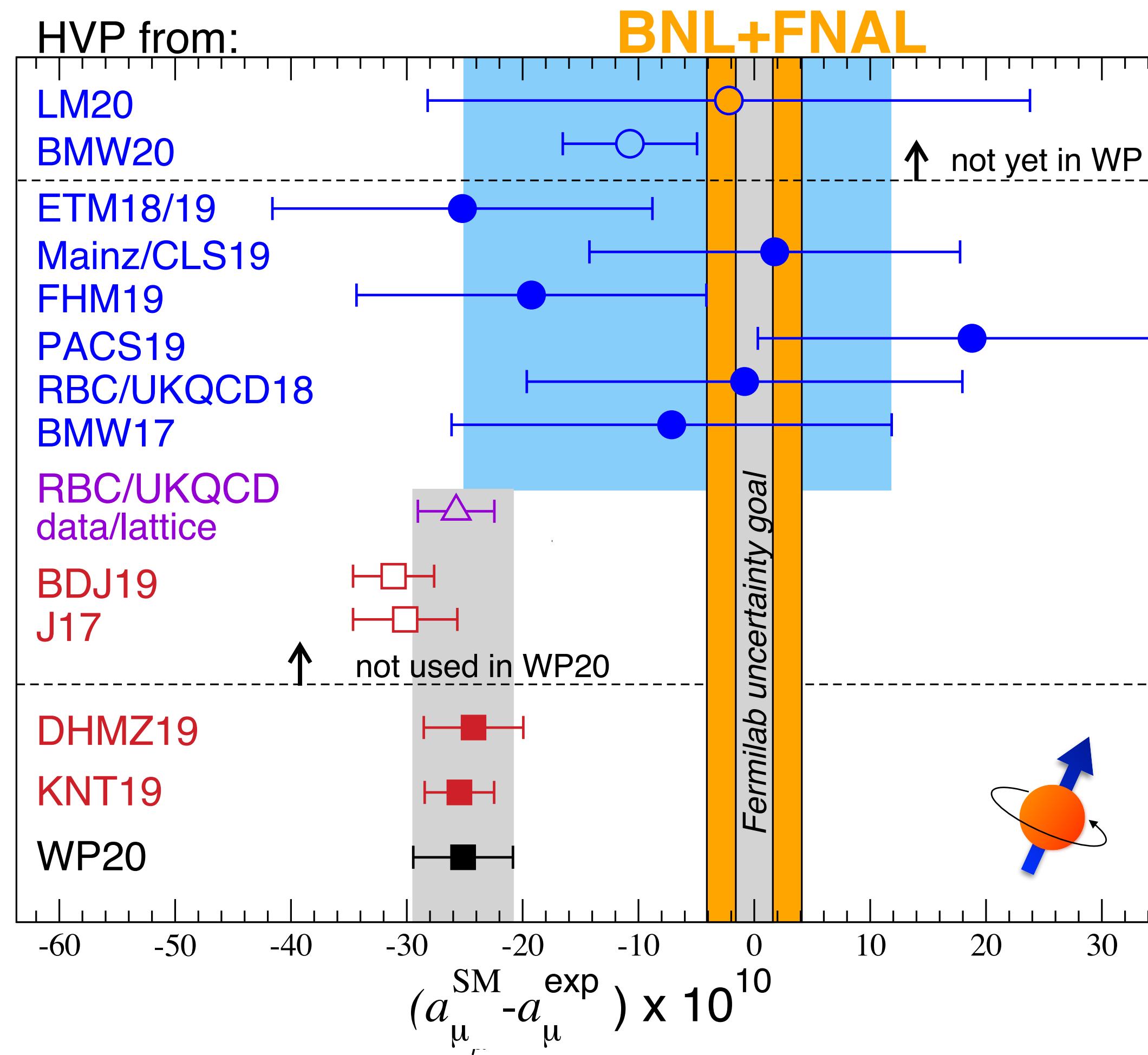
chiral & continuum extrapolation



Domain wall quarks:

two lattice spacings at m_π^{phys} and estimate of residual discretisation error [RBC/UKQCD 2018]

Hadronic vacuum polarisation: Data-driven approach versus lattice QCD



$R\text{-ratio: } a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp, LO}} = (693.1 \pm 4.0) \cdot 10^{-10}$ [0.6%]

LQCD: $a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp, LO}} = (711.6 \pm 18.4) \cdot 10^{-10}$ [2.6%]

Lattice QCD result by BMW Collab.:

$a_{\mu}^{\text{hvp, LO}} = (707.5 \pm 2.3 \pm 5.0) \cdot 10^{-10}$ [0.8%]

[Borsányi et al., Nature 593 (2021) 7857, arXiv:2002.12347v3]

$\Rightarrow a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}} \Big|_{\text{BMWc}}^{\text{hvp, LO}} = 107(70) \times 10^{-11}$ (1.5 σ)

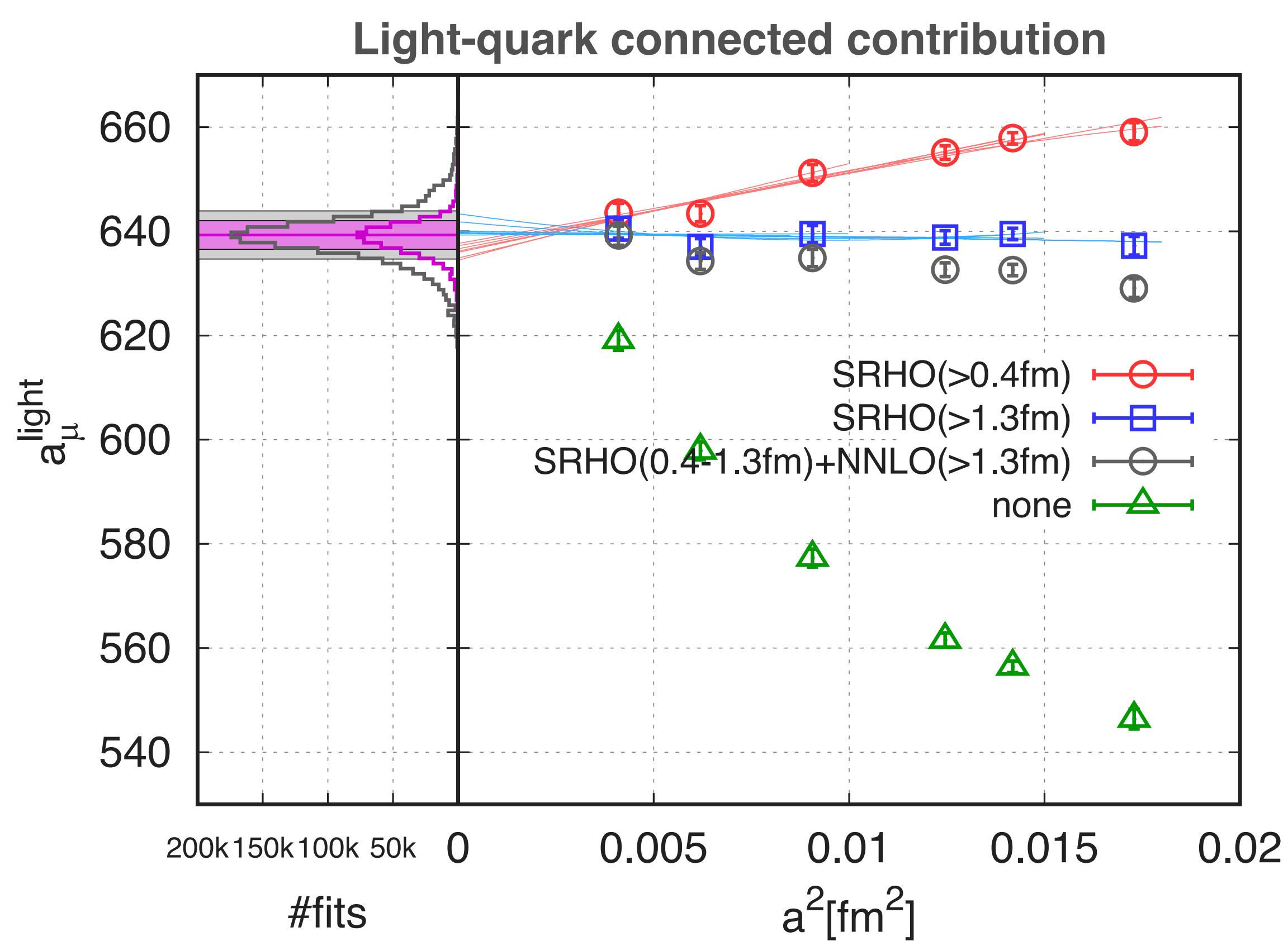
(2.1 σ tension with $R\text{-ratio}$)

Requires independent confirmation

Staggered fermions: The BMW result

- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ of rooted staggered quarks [Borsányi et al., Nature 593 (2021) 7857, arXiv:2002.12347v3]
- Six lattice spacings: $a = 0.132 - 0.064 \text{ fm}$, physical pion mass
- Correct for taste-breaking effects using EFTs: SRHO model, combined with SChPT
- Comprehensive study of finite-volume and isospin-breaking corrections
- Final result selected from distribution of different fits
- Results dominated by systematic error associated with continuum extrapolation

Can parts of the result be checked with sub-percent precision?



Window observables

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

Short distance: $W^{\text{SD}}(t; t_0) = 1 - \Theta(t, t_0, \Delta)$

$$\Theta(t, t', \Delta) = \frac{1}{2} [1 + \tanh(t - t')/\Delta]$$

Intermediate distance: $W^{\text{ID}}(t; t_0, t_1) = \Theta(t, t_0, \Delta) - \Theta(t, t_1, \Delta)$

Long distance: $W^{\text{LD}}(t; t_1) = \Theta(t, t_1, \Delta)$

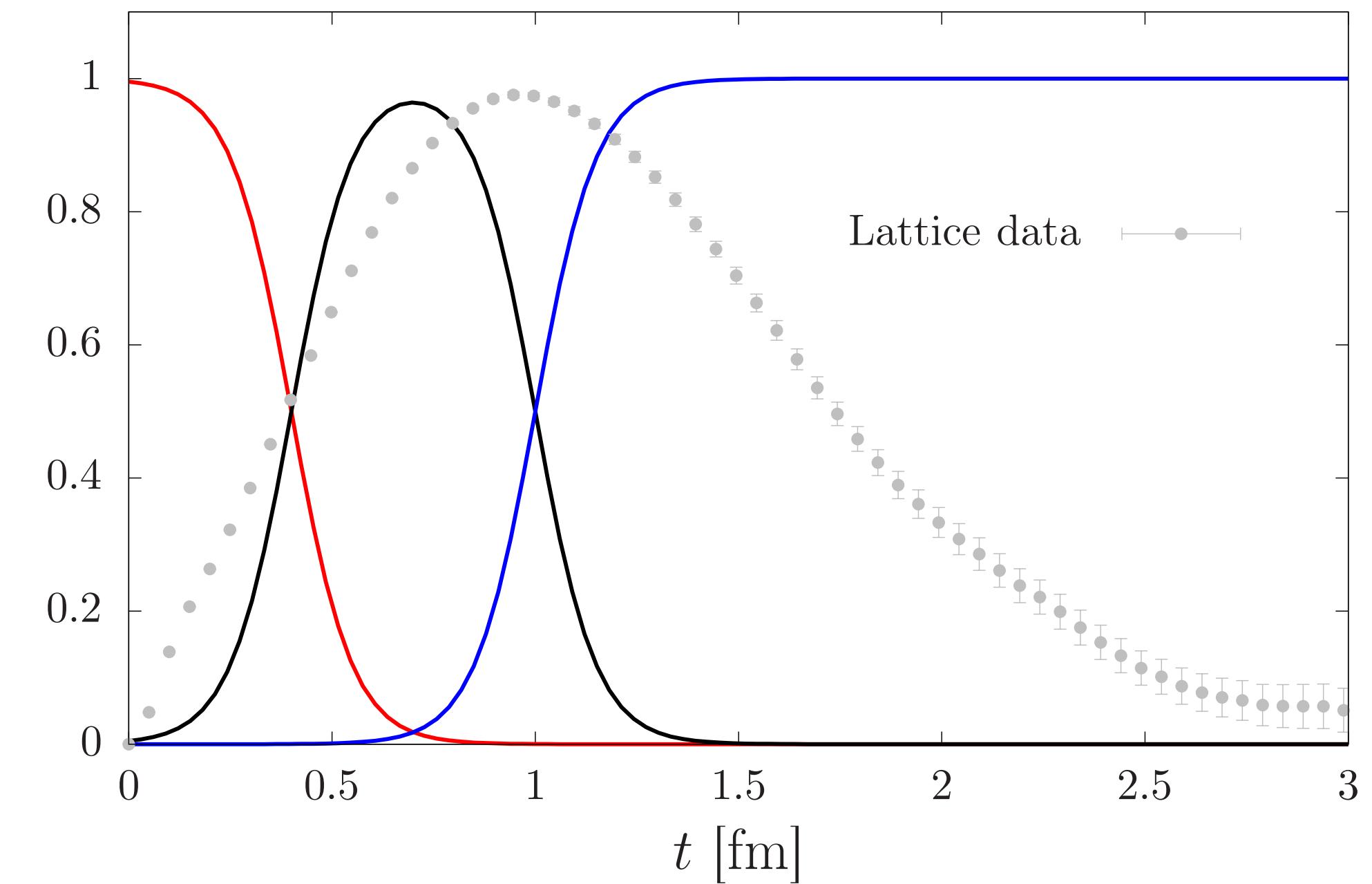
“Standard” choice: *[RBC/UKQCD 2018]*

$$t_0 = 0.4 \text{ fm}, \quad t_1 = 1.0 \text{ fm}, \quad \Delta = 0.15 \text{ fm}$$

Intermediate window:

- Finite-volume correction reduced from 3% to 0.25%
 - Uncertainty dominated by statistics
- ⇒ Precision test of different lattice calculations
- ⇒ Comparison with corresponding R -ratio estimate

$$a_\mu^{\text{hyp, win}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dt \tilde{K}(t) G(t) W(t; t_0, t_1)$$

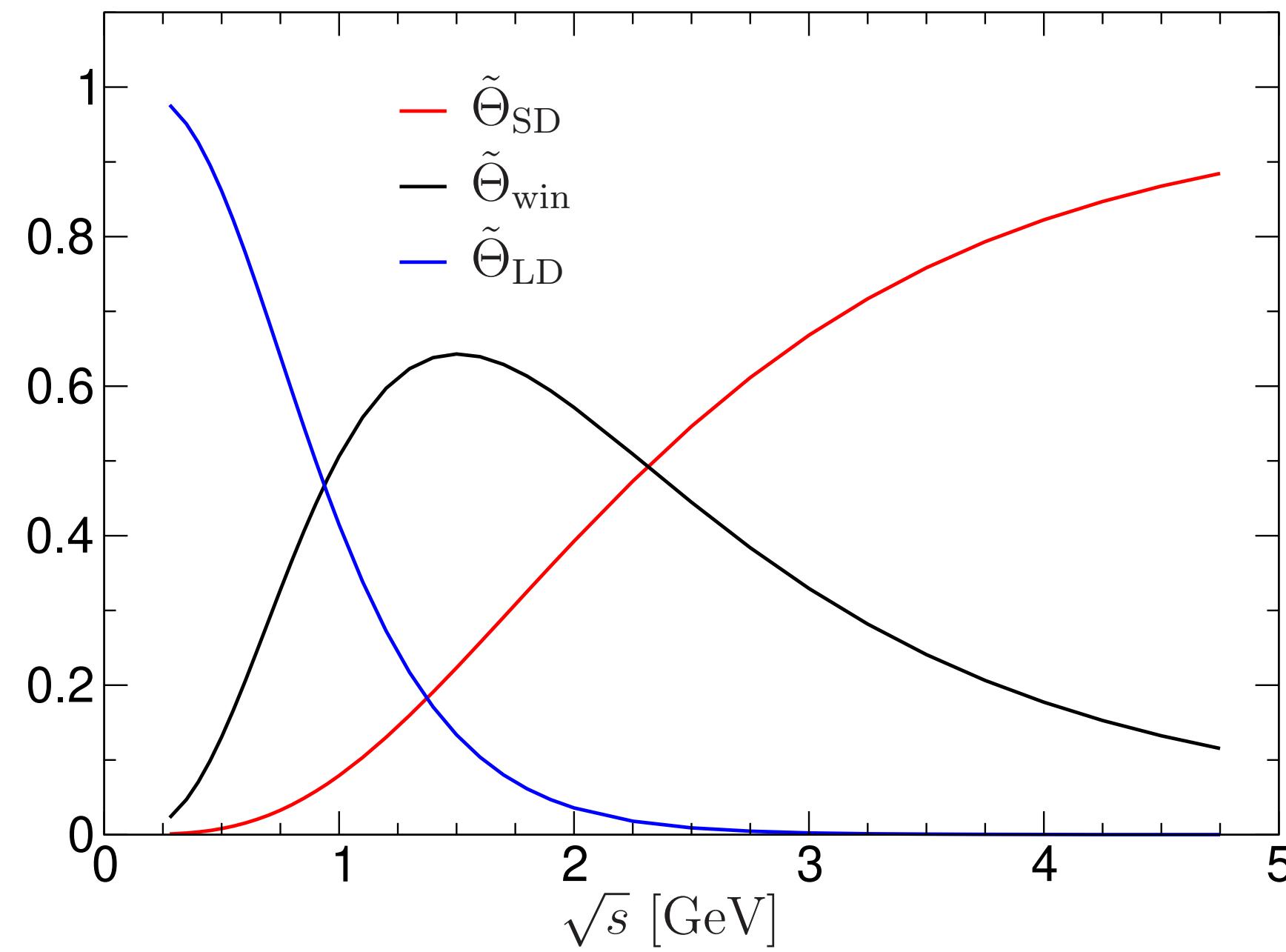


Window observables: Comparison with R -ratio

Starting point: $G(t) = \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \int_{m_{\pi^0}^2}^{\infty} d(\sqrt{s}) R(s) s e^{-\sqrt{st}}$ [RBC/UKQCD 2018]

Insert $G(t)$ into expression for time-momentum representation:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{hyp, ID}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_{m_{\pi^0}^2}^{\infty} d(\sqrt{s}) R(s) \frac{1}{12\pi^2} s \int_0^{\infty} dt \tilde{K}(t) W^{\text{ID}}(t; t_0, t_1) e^{\sqrt{st}}$$



Intermediate window from R -ratio following procedure for WP estimate:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{hyp, ID}} \equiv a_{\mu}^{\text{win}} = (229.4 \pm 1.4) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

Finer decomposition allows for more detailed studies of energy dependence

[Colangelo et al., arXiv:2205.12963]

Wilson fermions: The Mainz/CLS results for a_μ^{hvp} and a_μ^{win}

- $N_f = 2 + 1$ flavours of $\mathcal{O}(a)$ improved Wilson fermions
- Four lattice spacings: $a = 0.085 - 0.050 \text{ fm}$; pion masses $m_\pi = 130 - 420 \text{ MeV}$
- Two discretisations of the vector current: local and conserved
- Simultaneous chiral and continuum extrapolation

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp, LO}} = (720.0 \pm 12.6 \pm 9.9) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

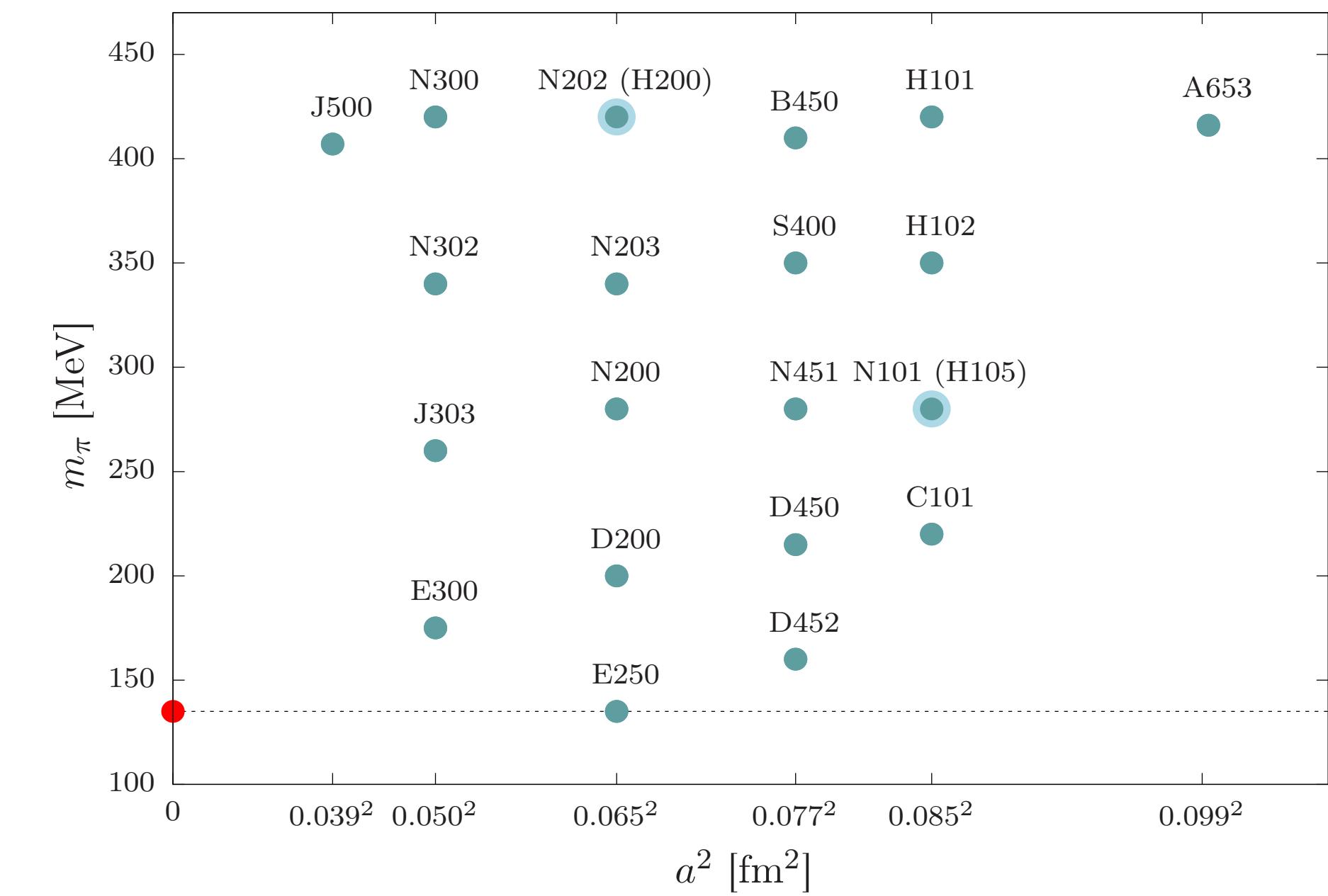
[Gérardin et al., Phys. Rev. D 100 (2019) 014510]

- Extension to six lattice spacings: $a = 0.099 - 0.039 \text{ fm}$; additional ensembles with $m_\pi \gtrsim m_\pi^{\text{phys}}$
- Intermediate window observable:

$$a_\mu^{\text{win, ud}} = (207.00 \pm 0.83 \pm 1.20) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{win}} = (237.30 \pm 0.79 \pm 1.22) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

[Cè et al., arXiv:2206.06582]



Mainz/CLS: Scaling test

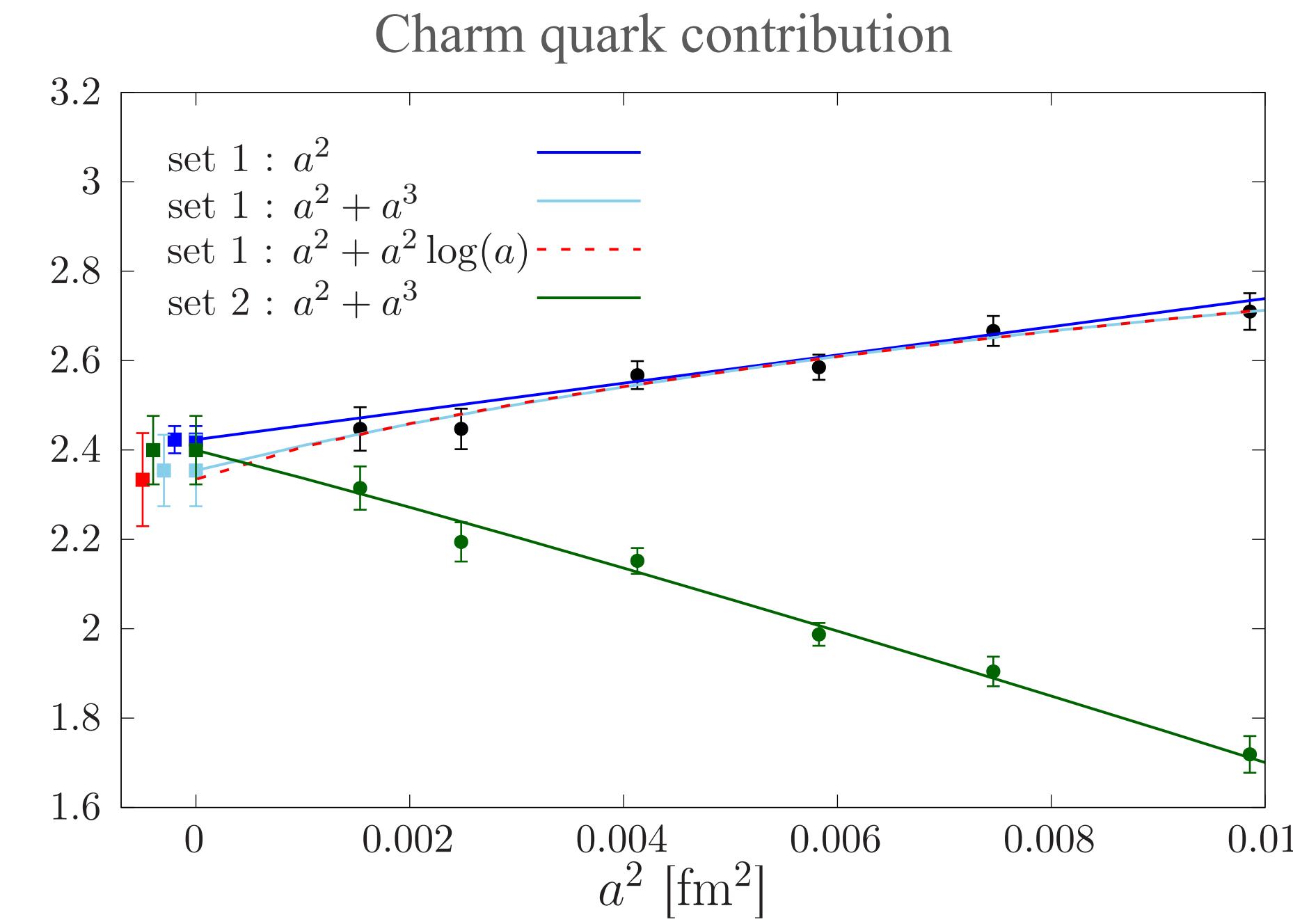
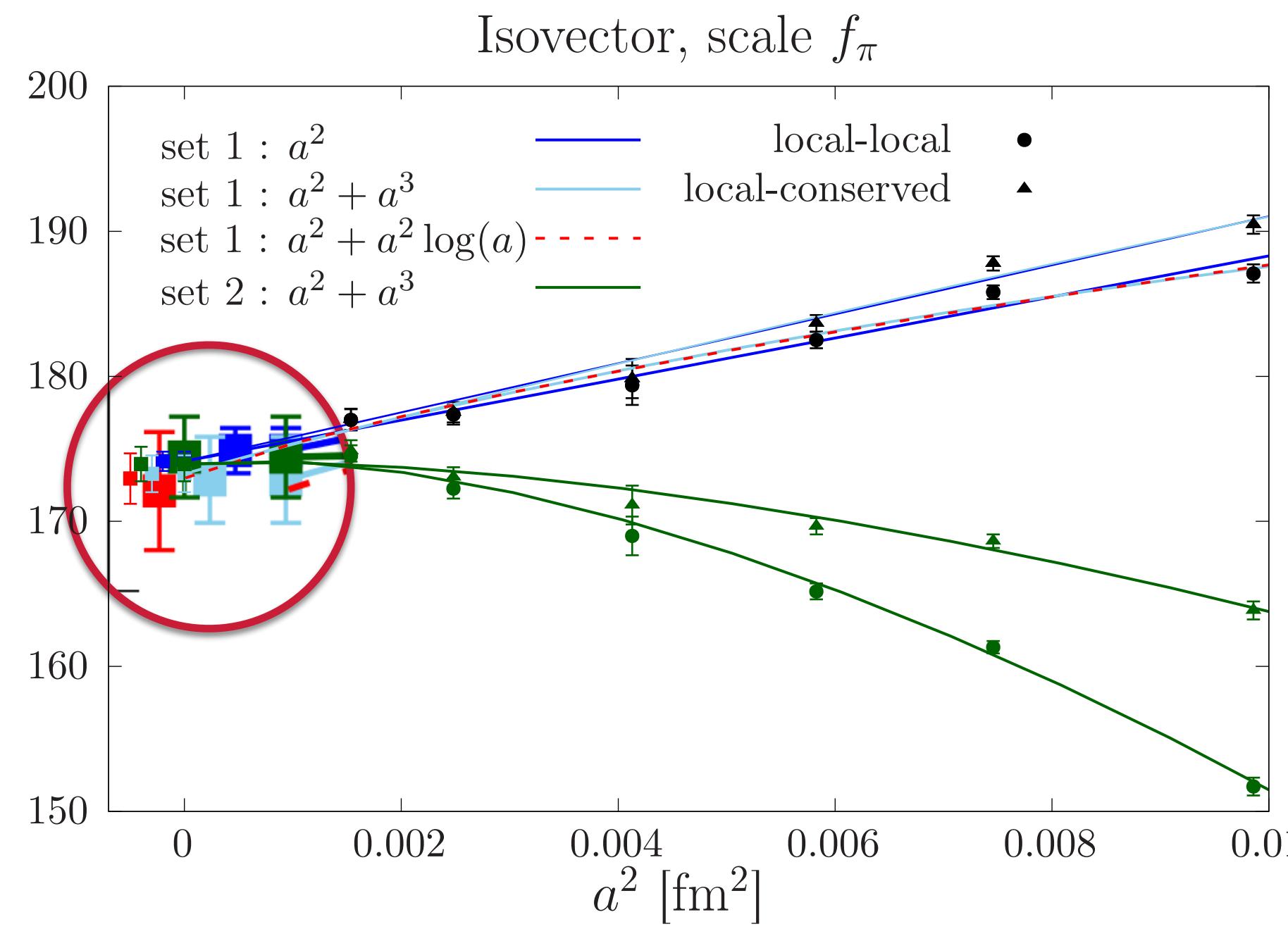
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- Two independent sets of improvement coefficients for local and conserved currents

$$J_\mu^{(\alpha)} = j_\mu^{(\alpha)} + a c_V(g_0) \tilde{\partial}_\nu \Sigma_{\mu\nu}, \quad \alpha = L, C$$

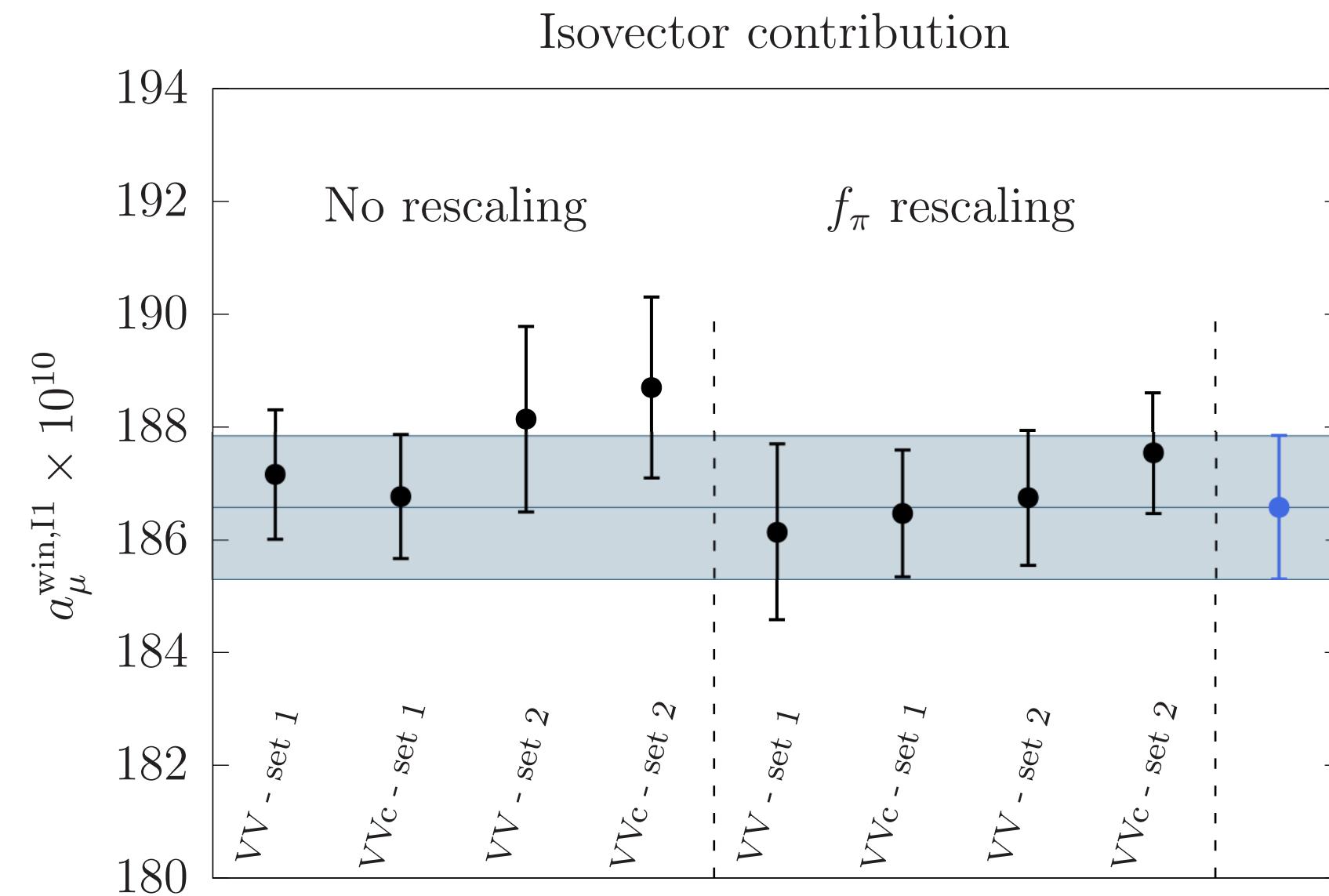
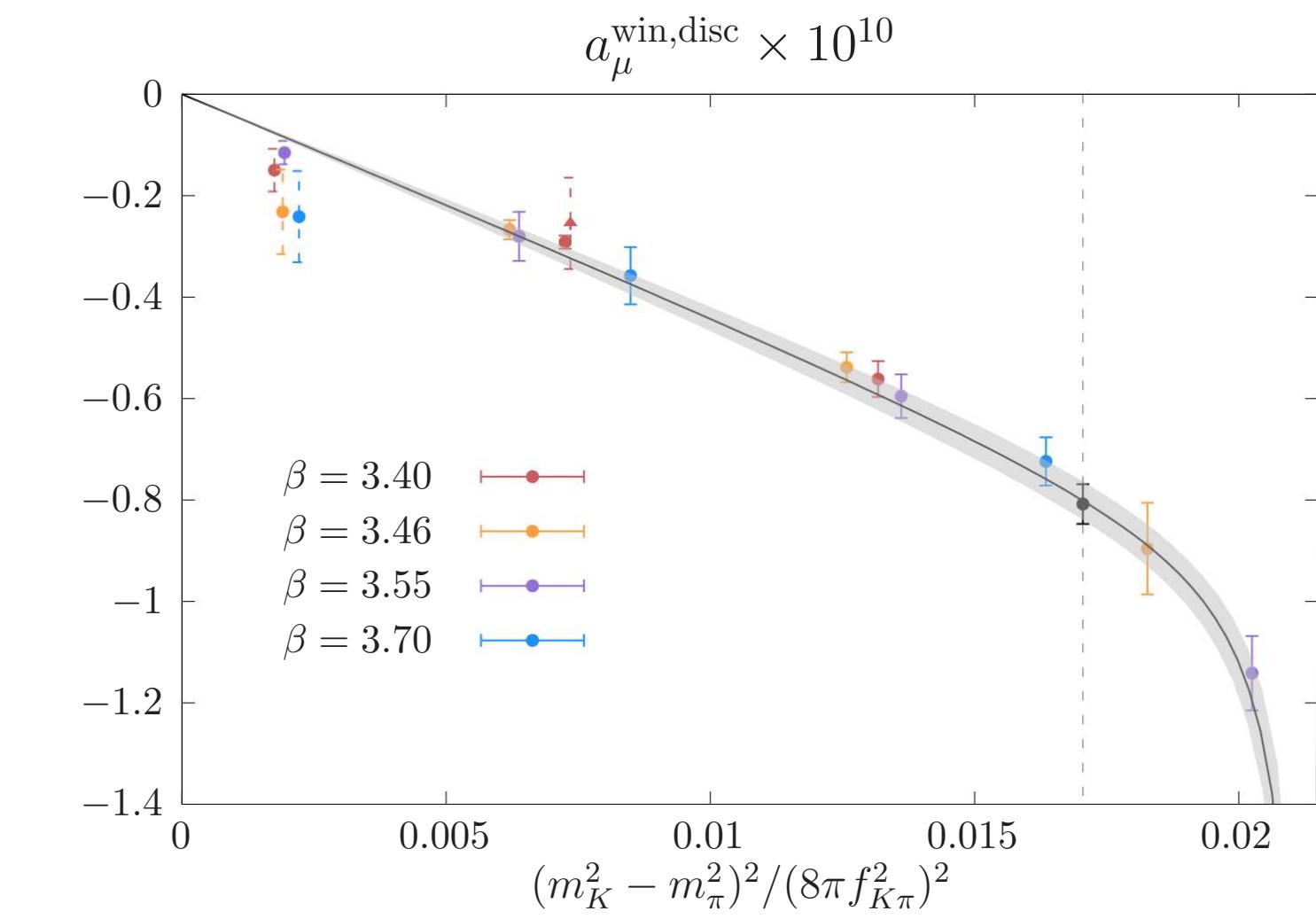
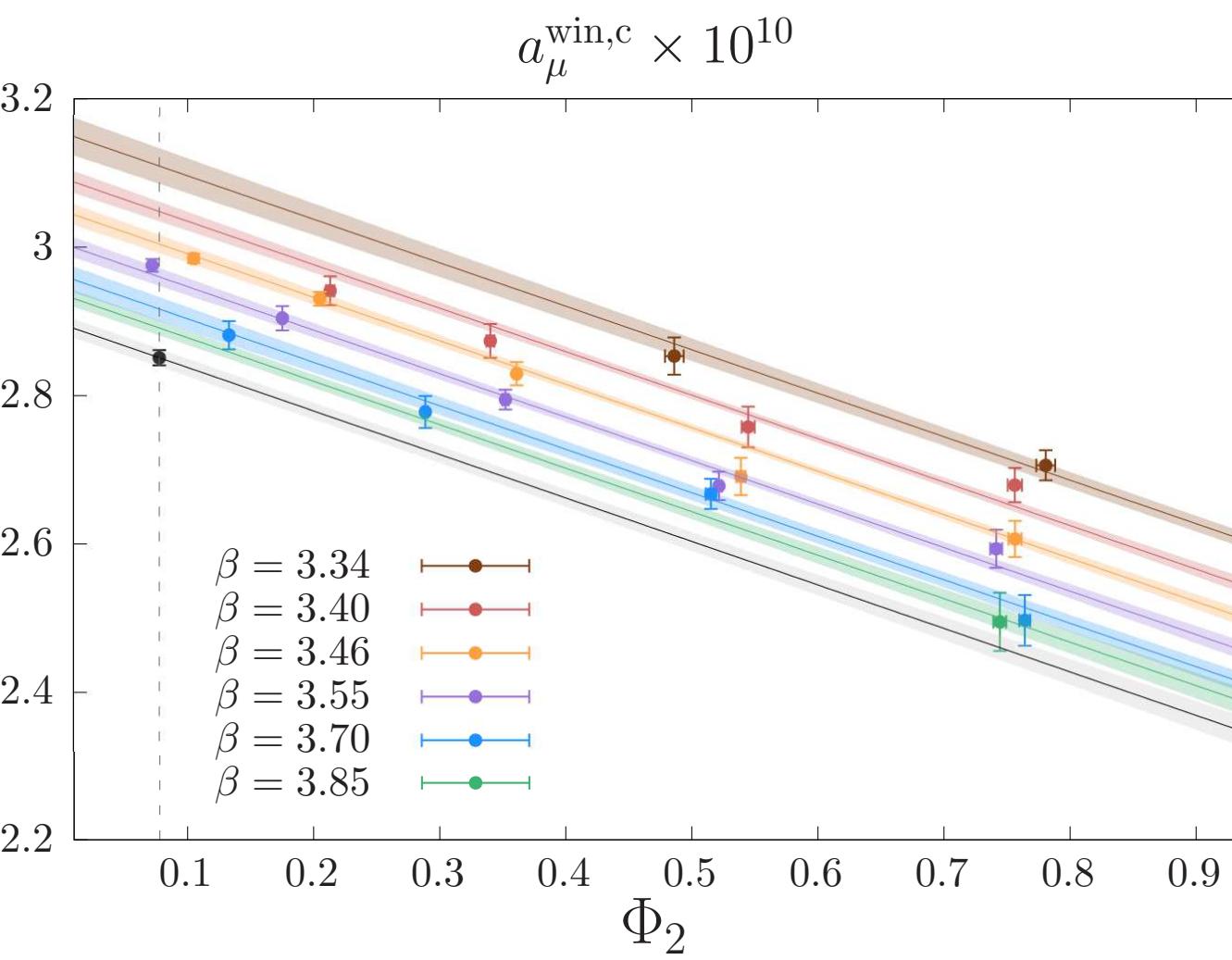
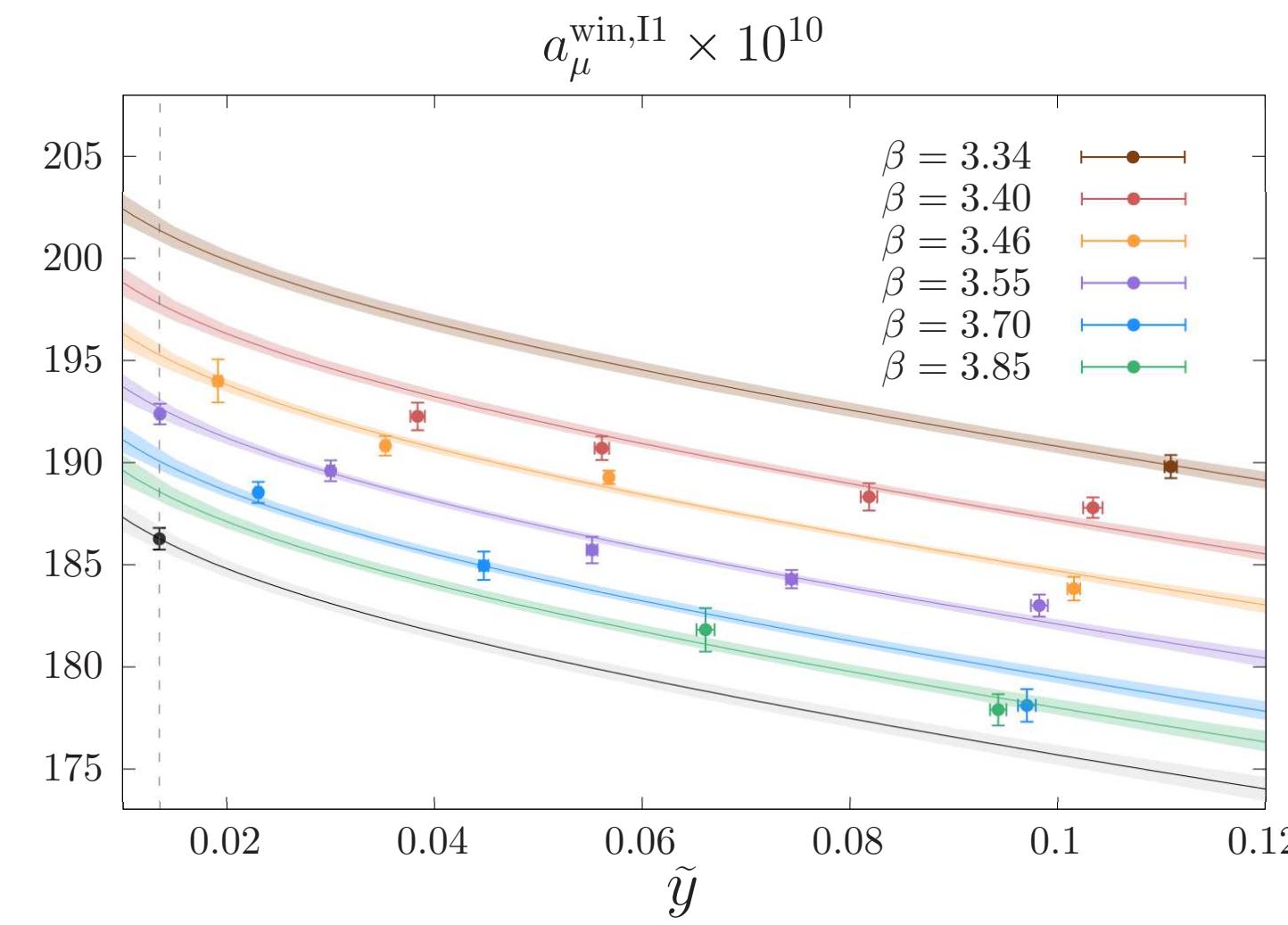
→ four different discretisations of the current-current correlator

- Scaling test at $m_\pi = 420 \text{ MeV}$



Mainz/CLS: Results at the physical point

[Cè et al., arXiv:2206.06582]



$$a_{\mu}^{\text{win},\text{I1}} = (186.30 \pm 0.75_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.08_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-10},$$

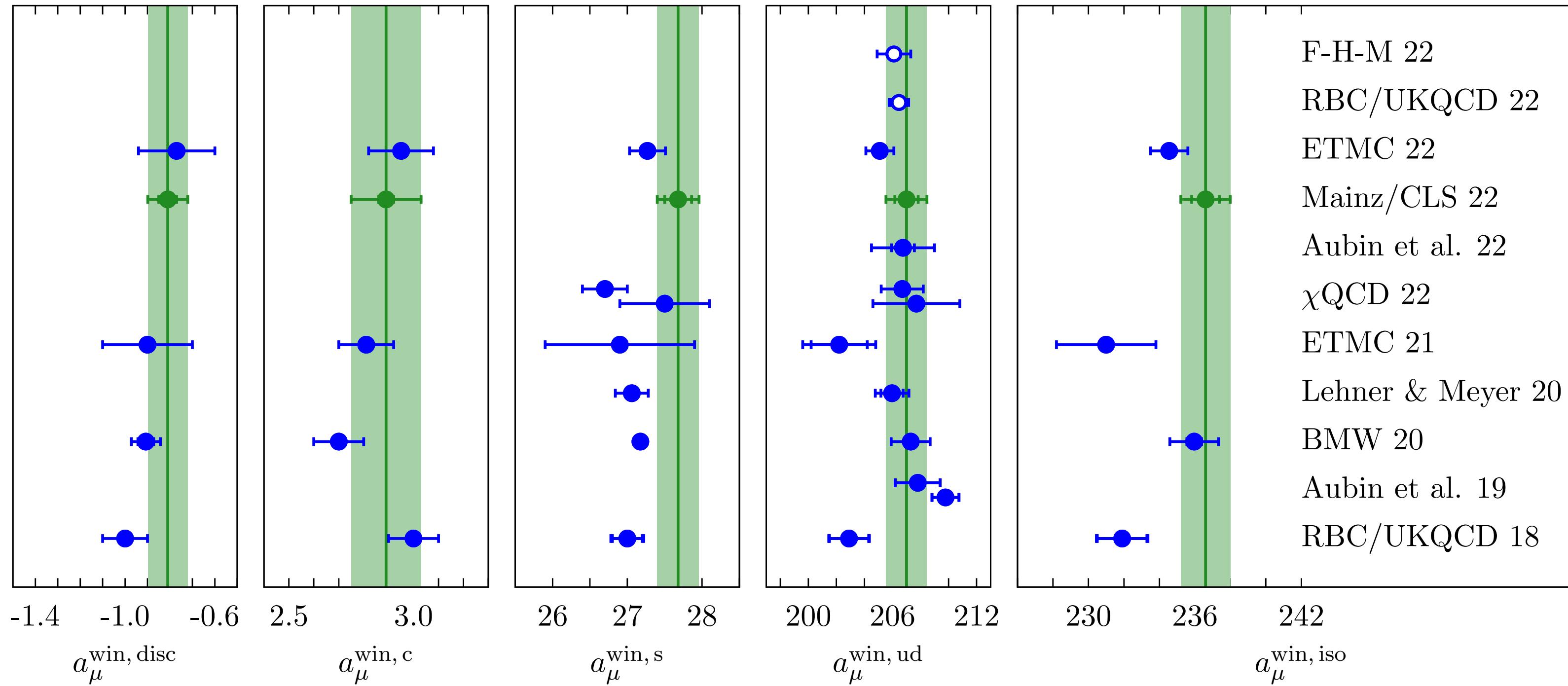
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{win},\text{I0}} = a_{\mu}^{\text{win},\text{I0},\not{f}} + a_{\mu}^{\text{win},\text{c}} = (50.30 \pm 0.23_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.32_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-10},$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{win},\text{iso}} = a_{\mu}^{\text{win},\text{I1}} + a_{\mu}^{\text{win},\text{I0}} = (236.60 \pm 0.79_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.13_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.05_{\text{Q}}) \times 10^{-10}$$

Include shift of $+(0.70 \pm 0.47) \cdot 10^{-10}$ due to isospin-breaking:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{win}} = (237.30 \pm 0.79_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.13_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.05_{\text{Q}} \pm 0.47_{\text{IB}}) \times 10^{-10}$$

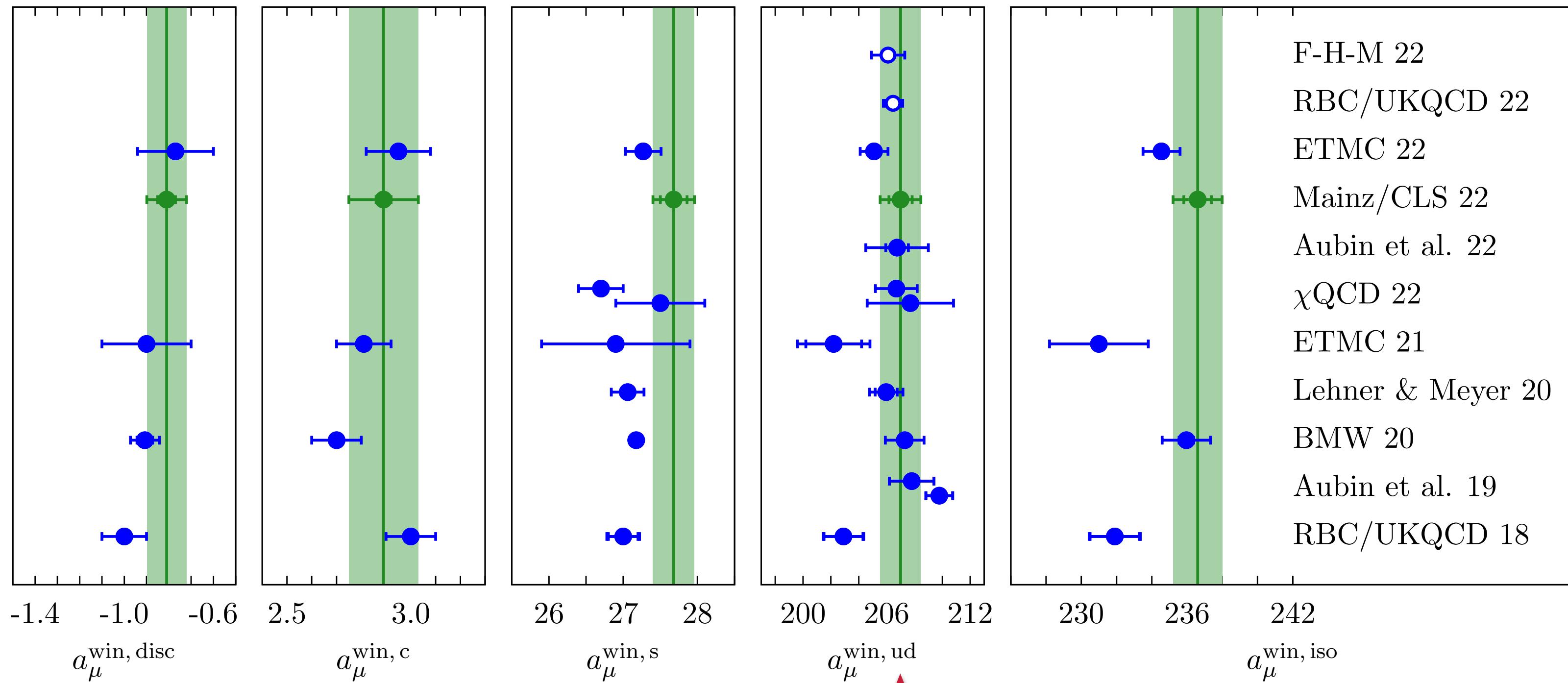
Intermediate window observable in isosymmetric QCD



[*S. Gottlieb @ Benasque 2022*]
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 [*Alexandrou et al., arXiv:2206.15084*]
 [*Cè et al., arXiv:2206.06582*]

- Broad agreement among most lattice calculations; exceptions: RBC/UKQCD 18 and ETMC 21
- New calculation by ETMC (twisted-mass Wilson fermions) consistent with Mainz/CLS 22
- Preliminary results by RBC/UKQCD (domain wall fermions; added third lattice spacing) and Fermilab-HPQCD-MILC (staggered) confirm recent results for light-connected contribution

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Result for the dominant, light-quark connected contribution confirmed for wide range of different discretisations with sub-percent precision

Intermediate window observable: Comparison with R -ratio

R -ratio estimate:

$$a_\mu^{\text{win}} = (229.4 \pm 1.4) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

Mainz/CLS 22:

$$a_\mu^{\text{win}} = (237.30 \pm 1.46) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{win}}|_{\text{Mainz}} - a_\mu^{\text{win}}|_{R\text{-ratio}} = (7.9 \pm 2.0) \cdot 10^{-10} \quad [3.9\sigma]$$

Lattice average:

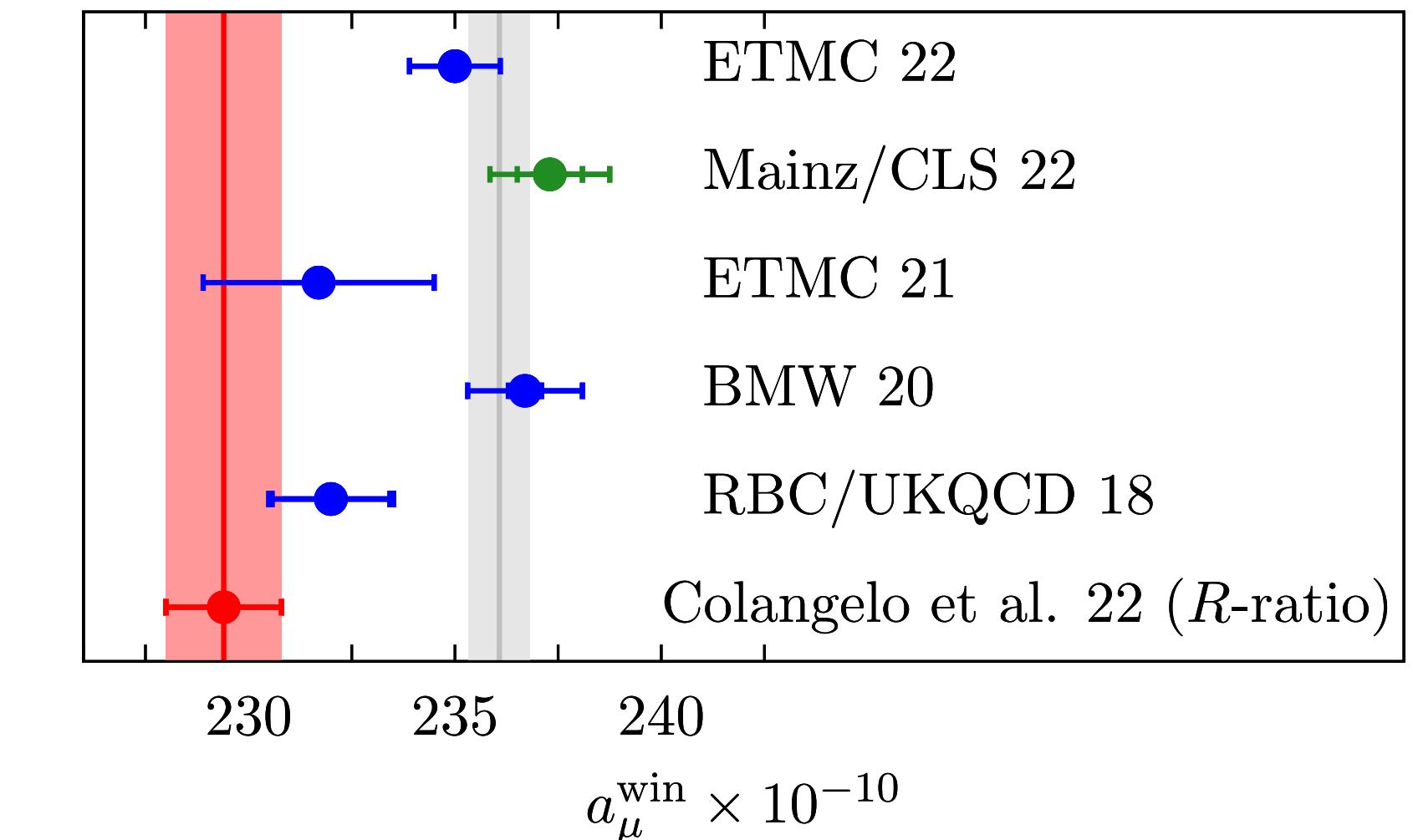
$$a_\mu^{\text{win}} = (236.08 \pm 0.74) \cdot 10^{-10}$$

(ETMC 22, Mainz/CLS 22, BMW 20)

$$\Rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{win}}|_{\text{Lat-av.}} - a_\mu^{\text{win}}|_{R\text{-ratio}} = (6.7 \pm 1.6) \cdot 10^{-10} \quad [4.2\sigma]$$

Subtract R -ratio prediction for a_μ^{win} from White Paper estimate and replace by lattice average:

$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}}|_{\text{Lat-av.}}^{\text{win}} = (184 \pm 58) \cdot 10^{-11} \quad [3.2\sigma]$$



Hadronic running of electromagnetic coupling

Correlation between a_μ^{hvp} and the hadronic running of $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}$:

$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(q^2) = -\frac{\alpha q^2}{3\pi} \oint_{m_{\pi^0}^2}^\infty ds \frac{R(s)}{s(s-q^2)}, \quad R(s) = \frac{3s}{4\pi\alpha(s)} \sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons})$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{hvp}} = \left(\frac{\alpha m_\mu}{3\pi}\right)^2 \int_{m_{\pi^0}^2}^\infty ds \frac{R(s) \hat{K}(s)}{s^2}, \quad 0.63 \lesssim \hat{K}(s) \leq 1$$

Hadronic running at Z-pole: $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2)$ → key quantity in global electroweak fit

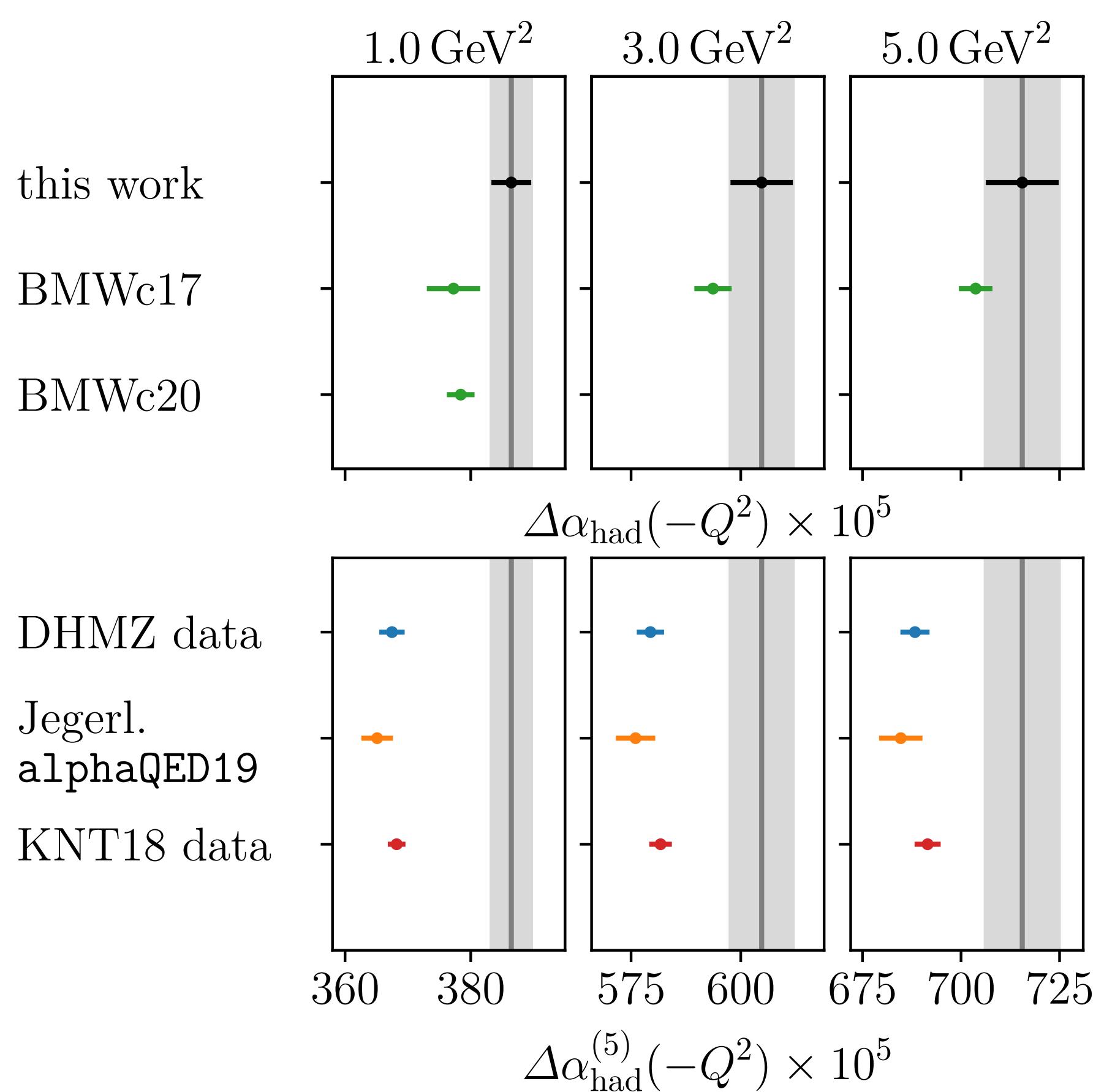
Euclidean momenta

$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(-Q^2)$ accessible in lattice QCD via the same correlator $G(t)$ with a different kernel function:

$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(-Q^2) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{1}{Q^2} \int_0^\infty dt G(t) \left[Q^2 t^2 - 4 \sin^2(\tfrac{1}{2} Q^2 t^2) \right]$$

Hadronic running of $\alpha_{\text{e.m.}}$ in lattice QCD

Direct lattice calculation of $\Delta\alpha(-Q^2)$ on the same gauge ensembles used in Mainz/CLS 22



[Cè et al., JHEP 08 (2022) 220, arXiv:2203.08676]

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

→ convert lattice result for $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-Q^2)$ to $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2)$ and compare to global electroweak fit

Evaluation of $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2)$ and consistency of the Standard Model

Method 1: Direct dispersion relation (DR)

$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(q^2) = -\frac{\alpha q^2}{3\pi} \oint_{m_{\pi^0}^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{R(s)}{s(s-q^2)} \quad \text{for } q^2 = M_Z^2$$

→ use combination of perturbation theory and experimental data for R -ratio

Method 2: Adler function approach, aka. “Euclidean split technique”

$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2) = \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-Q_0^2) \quad \leftarrow \text{lattice QCD or DR for } q^2 = -Q_0^2$$

$$+ [\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-Q_0^2)] \quad \leftarrow \text{Adler function in pQCD or DR}$$

$$+ [\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2)] \quad \leftarrow \text{pQCD}$$

[Chetyrkin et al., Nucl Phys B482 (1996) 213; Eidelman et al., Phys Lett B454 (1999) 369; Jegerlehner, hep-ph/9901386, arXiv:0807.4206]

Euclidean split technique and the Adler function

Adler function:

$$D(-s) = \frac{3\pi}{\alpha} s \frac{d}{ds} \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(s)$$

$D(Q^2)$ known in massive QCD perturbation theory at three loops

$$[\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-Q_0^2)]_{\text{pQCD/Adler}} = \frac{\alpha}{3\pi} \int_{Q_0^2}^{M_Z^2} \frac{dQ^2}{Q^2} D(Q^2)$$

Relation of $D(Q^2)$ and R -ratio:
$$D(Q^2) = Q^2 \int_{m_{\pi^0}^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{R(s)}{(s + Q^2)^2}$$

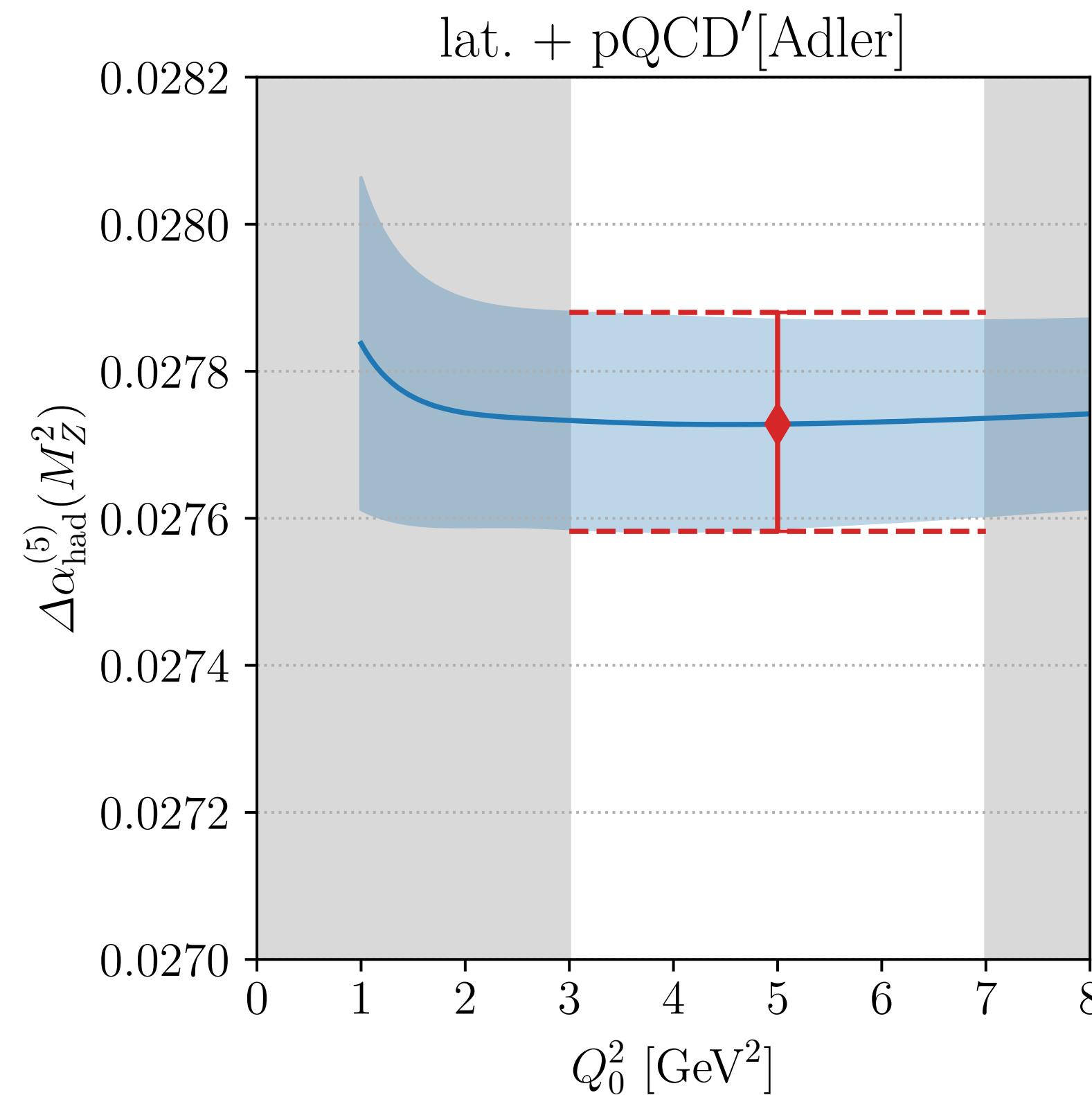
Direct DR:
$$[\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-Q_0^2)]_{\text{DR}} = \frac{\alpha(M_Z^2 - Q_0^2)}{3\pi} \int_{m_{\pi^0}^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{R(s)}{(s + Q_0^2)(s + M_Z^2)}$$

Perturbation theory: $[\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2)] = 0.000\,045(2)$ [Jegerlehner, CERN Yellow Report, 2020]

Evaluation of $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2)$ from lattice QCD data

Input: Lattice result for $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(-Q_0^2)$ for $Q_0^2 = 3 - 7 \text{ GeV}^2$ [Cè et al., JHEP 08 (2022) 220, arXiv:2203.08676]

Evaluate $\left[\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-Q_0^2) \right]_{\text{pQCD/Adler}}$ using Jegerlehner's software package **pQCDAdler**



Final estimate: lattice + pQCD/Adler

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2) &= 0.02773(9)_{\text{lat}}(2)_{\text{btm}}(12)_{\text{pQCD}} \\ &= 0.02773(15)\end{aligned}$$

(error contains ambiguity in the choice of Q_0^2)

Comparison with phenomenology and electroweak fit

Mainz/CLS:

$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(M_Z^2) = 0.027\,73(15)$$

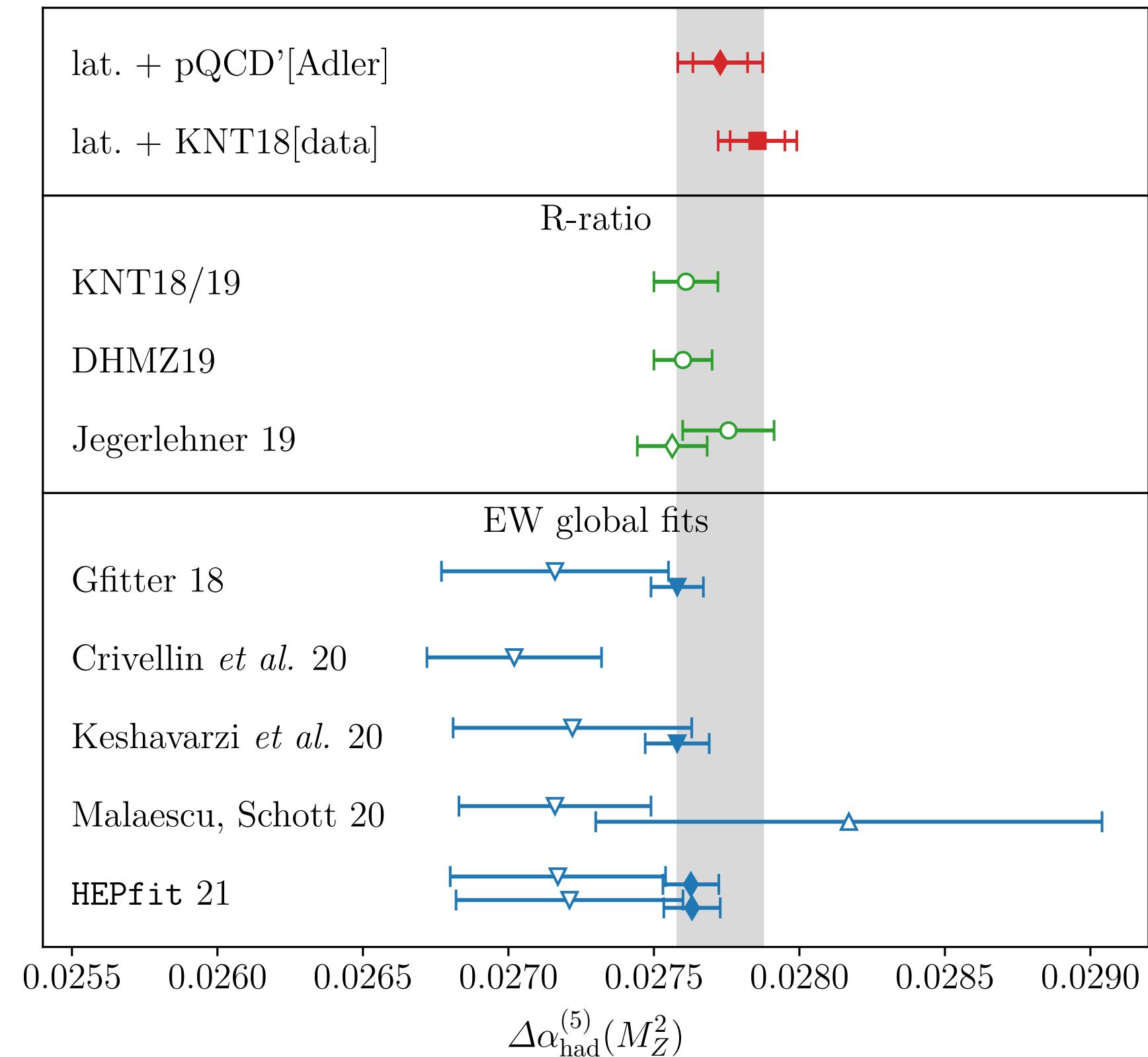
(pQCD/Adler + lattice input)

Jegerlehner 19:

$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}(M_Z^2) = 0.027\,53(12)$$

(pQCD/Adler + R -ratio input)

- Agreement within errors at Z -pole obscures the fact that there is a tension of $\sim 3\sigma$ for $Q_0^2 \sim (3 - 7)\, \text{GeV}^2$
- Running from $-Q_0^2$ to $-M_Z^2$ is correlated
- Global EW fits yield smaller estimates but have larger errors



Standard Model can accommodate a larger value for a_μ without contradicting electroweak precision data

[Cè et al., JHEP 08 (2022) 220, arXiv:2203.08676]

Summary — Conclusions — Outlook

- * There is a 4.2σ tension between the measurement of a_μ and the SM prediction derived from the data-driven approach to the HVP contribution
- * There is a tension between data-driven and lattice evaluations of a sub-contribution to $a_\mu^{\text{LO, hvp}}$, confirmed by several lattice calculations using different discretisations
- * There is no straightforward strategy to trace the tension to a specific energy range in the hadronic cross section; it is unlikely to come from the dominant two-pion channel
- * There is a corresponding tension between lattice and data-driven evaluations of the hadronic running of $\alpha_{\text{e.m.}}$.
- * The global electroweak fit is not sensitive enough to resolve the tension between lattice and data-driven evaluations of $\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2)$

What next?

- * Resolve the tension between experimental data for hadronic cross sections for the two-pion channel
- * Perform more and more precise lattice calculations for the complete HVP contribution
- * Deviation of order $100 \cdot 10^{-11}$ between SM and experiment is a large one!
⇒ Precision must be increased further

Results from future experiments will be decisive!