

Electromagnetic finite-size effects on  
the two-pion contribution to the HVP

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# Main results

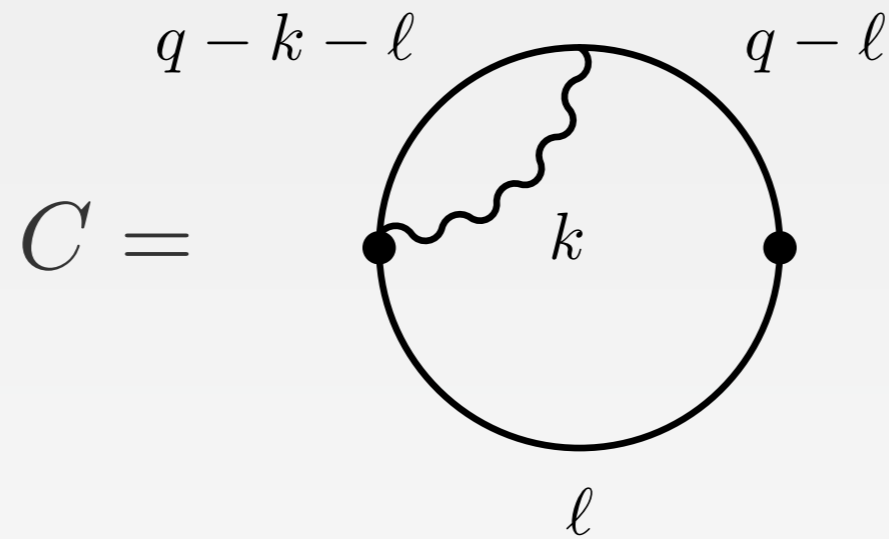
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[Bijnens et al., PRD 100(1), 014508, 2019]

- ▶ Because of off-shellness, at worse  $1/(M_\pi L)^2$  effects.
- ▶ Because of neutrality, actually  $1/(M_\pi L)^3$ .
- ▶ Proved in the full theory through properties of EM and LbL form factors. Checked w/ 2-loop scalar QED.
- ▶ Impact: for  $M_\pi L > 4$ , less than 2% on  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$  contribution; expect  $0.1 - 0.01 \times 10^{-10}$  on  $a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}$ .

# Explicit example

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$$\Delta\Pi_C(z) = \frac{c_1 \left[ \sqrt{z(z+4)} + (z+4) \log(2) - (z+4) \log(\sqrt{z} + \sqrt{z+4}) \right]}{32\pi^3 L^2 m^2 \sqrt{z^3(z+4)}} - \frac{z(3z - 8\sqrt{z+4} + 12) - 8\sqrt{z+4} - \frac{96}{\sqrt{z+4}} + 64}{384\pi L^3 m^3 z^3} + \dots$$

## In case this is a worry

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- ▶  $1/(M_\pi L)^3$  can probably be determined analytically, but need lattice input for  $q^2 = 0$  form factors and derivatives.
- ▶ Bigger problem: at  $M_\pi L \sim 4$ ,  $1/(M_\pi L)^3 \sim e^{-M_\pi L}$  numerically, so power corrections not enough.
- ▶ Previous point: infinite-volume lattice methods won't help much as they only remove the power part.
- ▶ Ultimately 2-3 lattice volumes at physical masses might be necessary, or one  $M_\pi L \gg 4$ .

# Thank you!



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