

# Dispersive approach to the hadronic light-by-light contribution to $(g - 2)_\mu$

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and work in progress with F. Hagelstein and L. Laub

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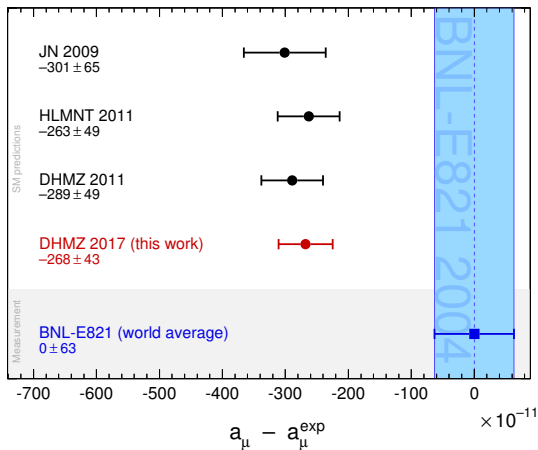
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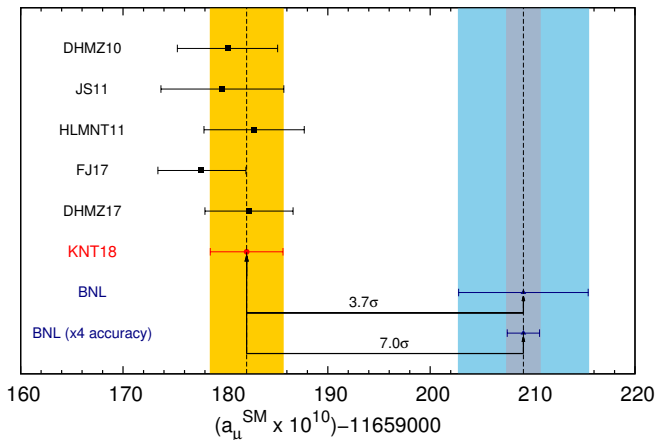
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Davier, Hoecker, Malaescu, Zhang 2017



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Fermilab experiment's goal: error  $\times 1/4$ , should be matched by theory:  
 $\Rightarrow$  Muon “ $(g - 2)$  Theory Initiative” led by A. El-Khadra and C. Lehner

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KNT 18

	$a_\mu [10^{-11}]$	$\Delta a_\mu [10^{-11}]$
experiment	116 592 089.	63.
QED $\mathcal{O}(\alpha)$	116 140 973.21	0.03
QED $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2)$	413 217.63	0.01
QED $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^3)$	30 141.90	0.00
QED $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^4)$	381.01	0.02
QED $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^5)$	5.09	0.01
QED total	116 584 718.97	0.07
electroweak, total	153.6	1.0
HVP (LO) [KNT 18]	6 932.7	24.6
HVP (NLO) [KNT 18]	-98.2	0.4
HLbL [update of Glasgow consensus-KNT 18]	98.0	26.0
HVP (NNLO) [Kurz, Liu, Marquard, Steinhauser 14]	12.4	0.1
HLbL (NLO) [GC, Hoferichter, Nyffeler, Passera, Stoffer 14]	3.0	2.0
theory	116 591 820.5	35.6

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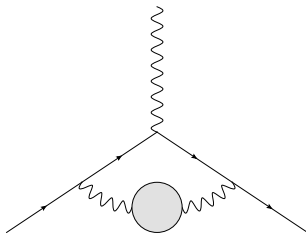
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$$a_\mu^{\text{exp}} - a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = 268.5 \pm 72.4 \quad [3.7\sigma]$$

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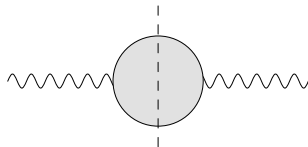
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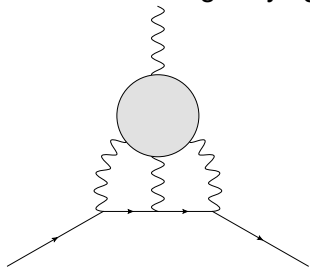
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- ▶ basic principles: unitarity and analyticity
- ▶ direct relation to experiment:  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}(e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \text{hadrons})$
- ▶ dedicated  $e^+e^-$  program: BaBar, Belle, BESIII, CMD3, KLOE2, SND
- ▶ **alternative approach**: lattice (ETMC, Mainz, HPQCD, BMW, RBC/UKQCD)

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- ▶ Hadronic light-by-light (HLbL) is more problematic:



- ▶ 4-point fct. of em currents in QCD
- ▶ *“it cannot be expressed in terms of measurable quantities”*
- ▶ until recently, only model calculations
- ▶ lattice QCD is making fast progress

# Different analytic evaluations of HLbL

Jegerlehner-Nyffeler 2009

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Legenda: B=Bijnens Pa=Pallante P=Prades H=Hayakawa K=Kinoshita S=Sanda Kn=Knecht  
 N=Nyffeler M=Melnikhov V=Vainshtein dR=de Rafael J=Jegerlehner

- ▶ large uncertainties (and differences among calculations) in individual contributions
- ▶ pseudoscalar pole contributions most important
- ▶ second most important: pion loop, *i.e.* two-pion cuts (*Ks are subdominant, see below*)
- ▶ heavier single-particle poles decreasingly important

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Pauk, Vanderhaeghen (14)
- ▶ similar philosophy, with a different implementation: Schwinger sum rule Hagelstein, Pascalutsa (17)
- ▶ **why hasn't this been adopted before?**

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# The HLbL tensor

HLbL tensor:

$$\Pi^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = i^3 \int dx \int dy \int dz e^{-i(x \cdot q_1 + y \cdot q_2 + z \cdot q_3)} \langle 0 | T \{ j^\mu(x) j^\nu(y) j^\lambda(z) j^\sigma(0) \} | 0 \rangle$$

$$q_4 = k = q_1 + q_2 + q_3 \quad k^2 = 0$$

General Lorentz-invariant decomposition:

$$\Pi^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = g^{\mu\nu} g^{\lambda\sigma} \Pi^1 + g^{\mu\lambda} g^{\nu\sigma} \Pi^2 + g^{\mu\sigma} g^{\nu\lambda} \Pi^3 + \sum_{i,j,k,l} q_i^\mu q_j^\nu q_k^\lambda q_l^\sigma \Pi_{ijkl}^4 + \dots$$

consists of 138 scalar functions  $\{\Pi^1, \Pi^2, \dots\}$ , but in  $d = 4$  only  
136 are linearly independent

*Eichmann et al. (14)*

**Constraints due to gauge invariance?** (see also Eichmann, Fischer, Heupel (2015))

⇒ Apply the Bardeen-Tung (68) method + Tarrach (75) addition

# Gauge-invariant hadronic light-by-light tensor

Applying the Bardeen-Tung-Tarrach method to  $\Pi^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma}$  one ends up with:

GC, Hoferichter, Procura, Stoffer (2015)

- ▶ 43 basis tensors (BT) in  $d = 4$ : 41=no. of helicity amplitudes
- ▶ 11 additional ones (T) to guarantee basis completeness everywhere
- ▶ of these 54 only 7 are distinct structures
- ▶ all remaining 47 can be obtained by crossing transformations of these 7: **manifest crossing symmetry**
- ▶ the dynamical calculation needed to fully determine the LbL tensor concerns these 7 scalar amplitudes

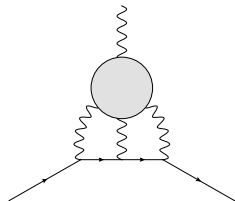
$$\Pi^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} = \sum_{i=1}^{54} T_i^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \Pi_i$$



# Master Formula

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = -e^6 \int \frac{d^4 q_1}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{d^4 q_2}{(2\pi)^4} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{12} \hat{T}_i(q_1, q_2; p) \hat{\Pi}_i(q_1, q_2, -q_1 - q_2)}{q_1^2 q_2^2 (q_1 + q_2)^2 [(p + q_1)^2 - m_{\mu}^2][(p - q_2)^2 - m_{\mu}^2]}$$

- ▶  $\hat{T}_i$ : known kernel functions
- ▶  $\hat{\Pi}_i$ : linear combinations of the  $\Pi_i$
- ▶ the  $\Pi_i$  are amenable to a dispersive treatment: **their imaginary parts are related to measurable subprocesses**
- ▶ 5 integrals can be performed with Gegenbauer polynomial techniques



# Master Formula

After performing the 5 integrations:

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} = \frac{2\alpha^3}{48\pi^2} \int_0^{\infty} dQ_1^4 \int_0^{\infty} dQ_2^4 \int_{-1}^1 d\tau \sqrt{1-\tau^2} \sum_{i=1}^{12} T_i(Q_1, Q_2, \tau) \bar{\Pi}_i(Q_1, Q_2, \tau)$$

where  $Q_i^{\mu}$  are the **Wick-rotated** four-momenta and  $\tau$  the four-dimensional angle between Euclidean momenta:

$$Q_1 \cdot Q_2 = |Q_1| |Q_2| \tau$$

The integration variables  $Q_1 := |Q_1|$ ,  $Q_2 := |Q_2|$ .

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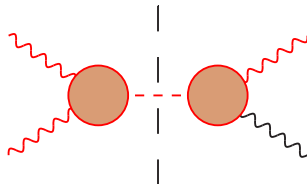
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Pion pole: imaginary parts =  $\delta$ -functions

Projection on the BTT basis: easy ✓

Our master formula = explicit expressions in the literature ✓

Input: pion transition form factor

Hoferichter et al. (18)

First results of direct lattice calculations

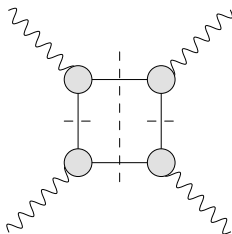
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$\pi$ -box with the BTT set:



- we have constructed a Mandelstam representation for the contribution of the 2-pion cut with LHC due to a pion pole
- we have explicitly checked that this is identical to sQED multiplied by  $F_V^\pi(s)$  (FsQED)

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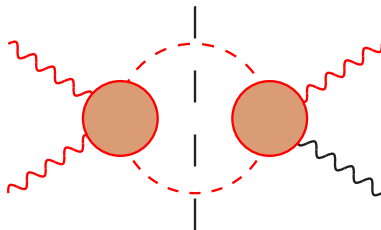
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$$\equiv F_{\pi}^V(q_1^2) F_{\pi}^V(q_2^2) F_{\pi}^V(q_3^2) \times \left[ \text{bubble} + \text{triangle} + \text{square} \right]$$

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The “rest” with  $2\pi$  intermediate states has cuts only in one channel and will be  
calculated dispersively after partial-wave expansion

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E.g.  $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$  S-wave contributions

$$\hat{\Pi}_4^S = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{-2}{\lambda_{12}(s')(s' - q_3^2)^2} \left( 4s' \text{Im}h_{++,+}^0(s') - (s' + q_1^2 - q_2^2)(s' - q_1^2 + q_2^2) \text{Im}h_{00,++}^0(s') \right)$$

$$\hat{\Pi}_5^S = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} dt' \frac{-2}{\lambda_{13}(t')(t' - q_2^2)^2} \left( 4t' \text{Im}h_{++,+}^0(t') - (t' + q_1^2 - q_3^2)(t' - q_1^2 + q_3^2) \text{Im}h_{00,++}^0(t') \right)$$

$$\hat{\Pi}_6^S = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} du' \frac{-2}{\lambda_{23}(u')(u' - q_1^2)^2} \left( 4u' \text{Im}h_{++,+}^0(u') - (u' + q_2^2 - q_3^2)(u' - q_2^2 + q_3^2) \text{Im}h_{00,++}^0(u') \right)$$

$$\hat{\Pi}_{11}^S = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} du' \frac{4}{\lambda_{23}(u')(u' - q_1^2)^2} \left( 2 \text{Im}h_{++,+}^0(u') - (u' - q_2^2 - q_3^2) \text{Im}h_{00,++}^0(u') \right)$$

$$\hat{\Pi}_{16}^S = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} dt' \frac{4}{\lambda_{13}(t')(t' - q_2^2)^2} \left( 2 \text{Im}h_{++,+}^0(t') - (t' - q_1^2 - q_3^2) \text{Im}h_{00,++}^0(t') \right)$$

$$\hat{\Pi}_{17}^S = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{4M_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{4}{\lambda_{12}(s')(s' - q_3^2)^2} \left( 2 \text{Im}h_{++,+}^0(s') - (s' - q_1^2 - q_2^2) \text{Im}h_{00,++}^0(s') \right)$$



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Contributions of cuts with anything else other than one and two pions in intermediate states are neglected in first approximation

of course, the  $\eta$ ,  $\eta'$  and other pseudoscalars pole contribution, or the kaon-box/rescattering contribution can be calculated within the same formalism

# Pion-pole contribution

- ▶ Expression of this contribution in terms of the pion transition form factor already known Knecht-Nyffeler (01)

- ▶ Both transition form factors (TFF) **must** be included:

$$\bar{\Pi}_1 = \frac{F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(q_1^2, q_2^2) F_{\pi^0\gamma^*\gamma^*}(q_3^2, 0)}{q_3^2 - M_{\pi^0}^2}$$

[dropping one bc short-distance not correct Melnikov-Vainshtein (04) ]

- ▶ data on singly-virtual TFF available CELLO, CLEO, BaBar, Belle, BESIII
- ▶ several calculations of the transition form factors in the literature Masjuan & Sanchez-Puertas (17), Eichmann et al. (17), Guevara et al. (18)
- ▶ dispersive approach works here too Hoferichter et al. (18)
- ▶ quantity where lattice calculations can have a significant impact Gerardin, Meyer, Nyffeler (16)

# Pion-pole contribution

Latest complete analyses:

- ▶ Dispersive calculation of the pion TFF

Hoferichter et al. (18)

$$10^{11} a_{\mu}^{\pi^0} = 62.6(1.7)_{F_{\pi\gamma\gamma}}(1.1)_{\text{disp}}(1.4)^{(2.2)}_{\text{BL}}(0.5)_{\text{asym}} = 62.6^{+3.0}_{-2.5}$$

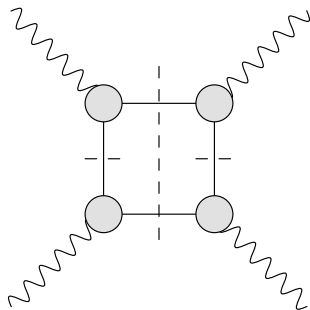
- ▶ Padé-Canterbury approximants

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$$10^{11} a_{\mu}^{\pi^0} = 63.6(1.3)_{\text{stat}}(0.6)_{a_{P;1,1}}(2.3)_{\text{sys}} = 63.6(2.7)$$

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## Pion-box contribution

The only ingredient needed for the pion-box contribution is the vector form factor

$$\hat{\Pi}_i^{\pi\text{-box}} = F_\pi^V(q_1^2) F_\pi^V(q_2^2) F_\pi^V(q_3^2) \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \int_0^1 dx \int_0^{1-x} dy l_i(x, y),$$

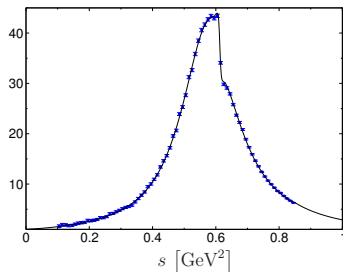
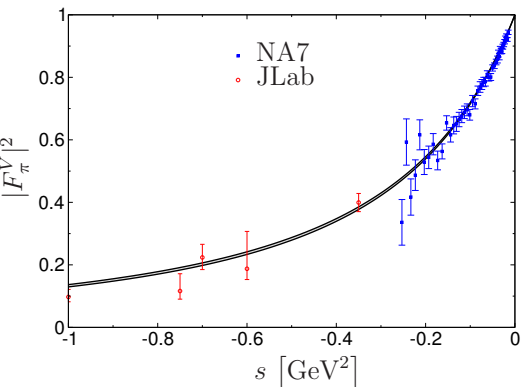
where

$$l_1(x, y) = \frac{8xy(1-2x)(1-2y)}{\Delta_{123}\Delta_{23}},$$

and analogous expressions for  $l_{4,7,17,39,54}$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{123} &= M_\pi^2 - xyq_1^2 - x(1-x-y)q_2^2 - y(1-x-y)q_3^2, \\ \Delta_{23} &= M_\pi^2 - x(1-x)q_2^2 - y(1-y)q_3^2 \end{aligned}$$

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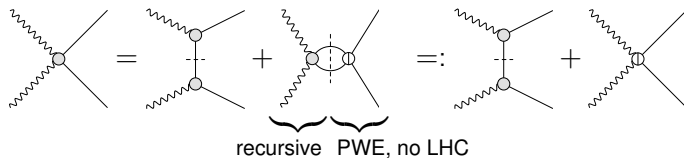
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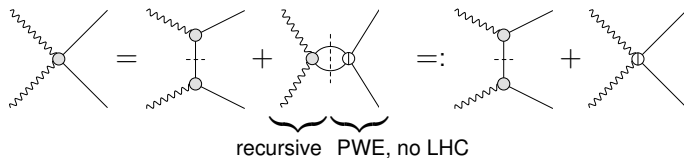
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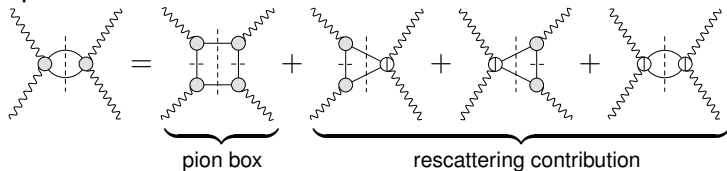
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$S$ -wave contributions :  $a_{\mu, J=0}^{\pi\pi, \pi\text{-pole LHC}} = -8(1) \times 10^{-11}$

# Two-pion contribution to $(g - 2)_\mu$ from HLbL

Two-pion contributions to HLbL:



$$a_\mu^{\pi\text{-box}} + a_{\mu, J=0}^{\pi\pi, \pi\text{-pole LHC}} = -24(1) \cdot 10^{-11}$$

## $\gamma^* \gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$ contribution from other partial waves

- ▶ formulae get significantly more involved with several subtleties in the calculation
- ▶ in particular sum rules which link different partial waves must be satisfied by different resonances in the narrow width approximation [Daniilkin, Pascalutsa, Pauk, Vanderhaeghen \(12,14,17\)](#)
- ▶ data and dispersive treatments available for on-shell photons [e.g. Dai & Pennington \(14,16,17\)](#)
- ▶ dispersive treatment for the singly-virtual case and check with forthcoming data is very important [→ talks by Prencipe, & Redmer](#)

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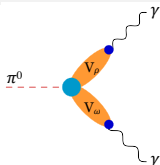
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## Short-distance constraints

- ▶ short-distance constraints on  $n$ -point functions in QCD is a well known issue
- ▶ low- and intermediate-energy representation in terms of hadronic states doesn't typically extrapolate to the right high-energy limit
- ▶ requiring that the latter be satisfied is often essential to obtain a description of spectral functions which leads to correct integrals over them [vast literature \[de Rafael, Goltermann, Peris,...\]](#)
- ▶ implementing such an approach for HLbL not very simple, but it works [GC, Hagelstein, Laub, work in progress](#)

# A Regge-like large- $N_C$ inspired model

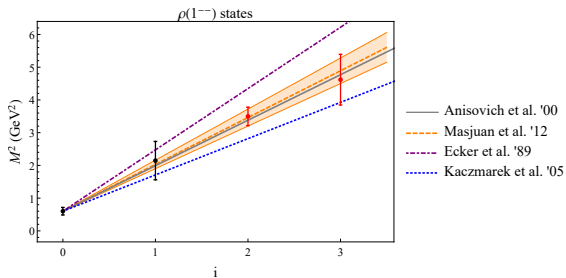


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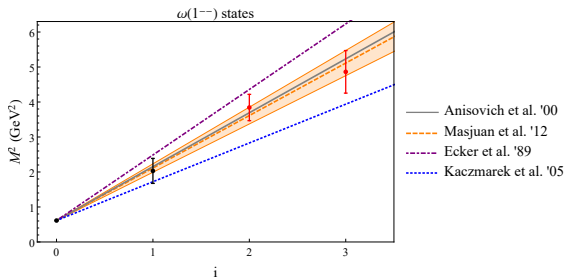
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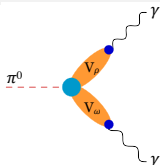
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• PDG '18 • extracted from Masjuan et al. '12



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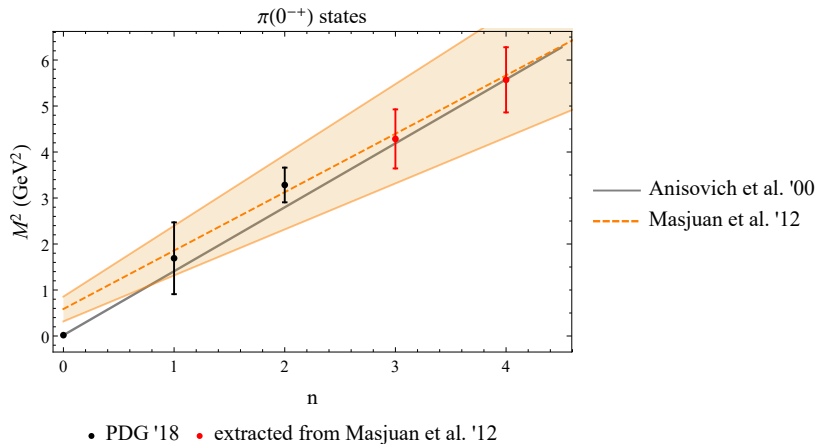
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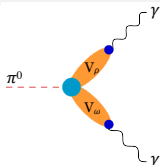
similarly for “excited pions”, described by a Regge-like model:

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coupling between pions, and rho's and omega's taken diagonal for simplicity:

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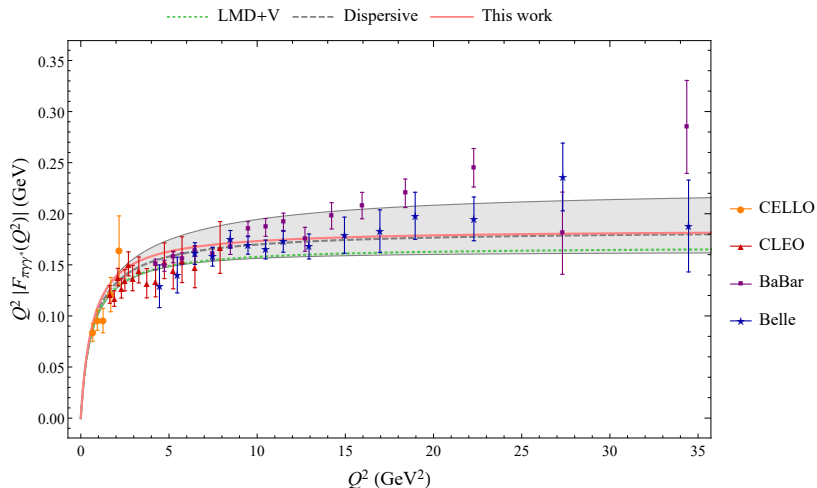
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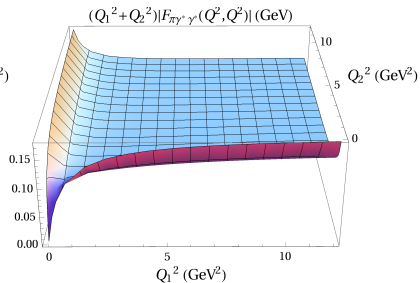
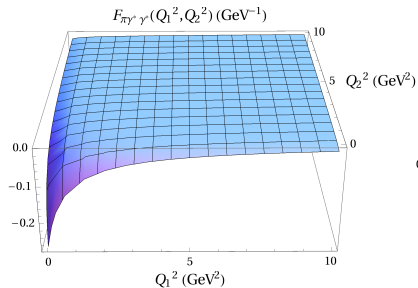
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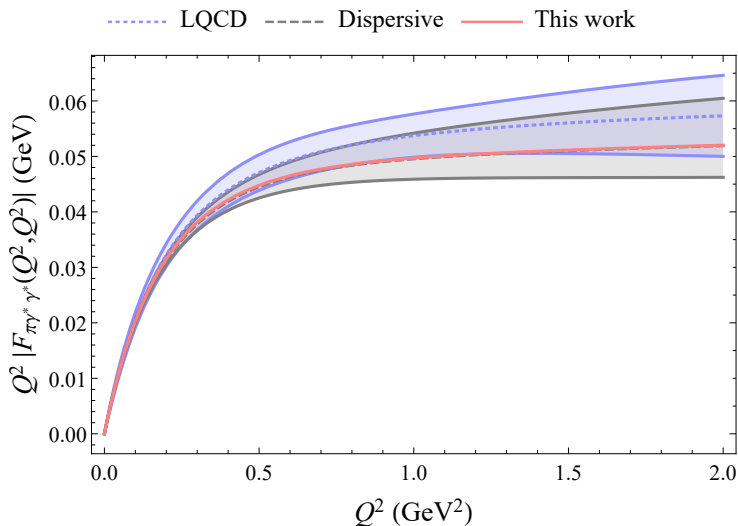
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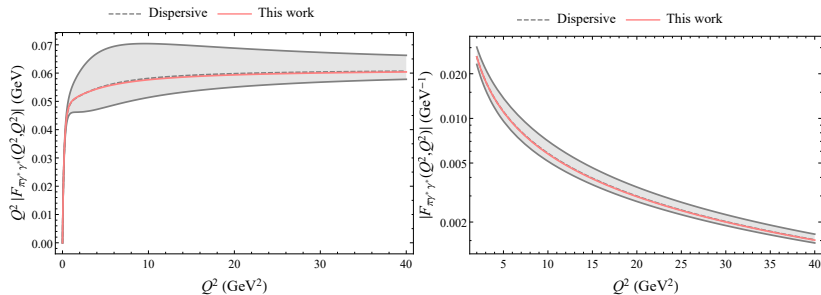
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Work on the **transverse SDC** is in progress, but M-V estimate (axials) seems to be an overestimate (for various reasons)

Our models will be matched to the quark loop (in progress)

# Improvements obtained with the dispersive approach

Contribution	BPaP(96)	HKS(96)	KnN(02)	MV(04)	BP(07)	PdRV(09)	N/JN(09)
$\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$	$85 \pm 13$	$82.7 \pm 6.4$	$83 \pm 12$	$114 \pm 10$	—	$114 \pm 13$	$99 \pm 16$
$\pi, K$ loops	$-19 \pm 13$	$-4.5 \pm 8.1$	—	—	—	$-19 \pm 19$	$-19 \pm 13$
" " + subl. in $N_c$	—	—	—	$0 \pm 10$	—	—	—
axial vectors	$2.5 \pm 1.0$	$1.7 \pm 1.7$	—	$22 \pm 5$	—	$15 \pm 10$	$22 \pm 5$
scalars	$-6.8 \pm 2.0$	—	—	—	—	$-7 \pm 7$	$-7 \pm 2$
quark loops	$21 \pm 3$	$9.7 \pm 11.1$	—	—	—	2.3	$21 \pm 3$
total	$83 \pm 32$	$89.6 \pm 15.4$	$80 \pm 40$	$136 \pm 25$	$110 \pm 40$	$105 \pm 26$	$116 \pm 39$

Results with the dispersive approach:

Pion pole:	$62.6^{+3.0}_{-2.6}$	
Pion box:	$-15.9 \pm 0.2$	
Kaon box (VMD):	$\sim -0.5$	(prelim. <a href="#">Hoferichter, Stoffer</a> )
Pion S-wave rescatt.:	$-8 \pm 1$	
Longitudinal SDC ( $\pi^0$ ):	$\sim 5$	(prelim. $\eta^{(\prime)}$ in progr.)

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# Conclusions

- ▶ The HLbL contribution to  $(g - 2)_\mu$  **can be** expressed in terms of measurable quantities in a **dispersive approach**
- ▶ **master formula**: HLbL contribution to  $a_\mu$  as triple-integral over **scalar functions** which satisfy dispersion relations
- ▶ the relevant measurable quantity entering the dispersion relation depends on the intermediate state:
  - ▶ single-pion contribution: **pion transition form factor**
  - ▶ pion-box contribution: **pion vector form factor**
  - ▶ 2-pion rescattering:  $\gamma^* \gamma^{(*)} \rightarrow \pi\pi$  **helicity amplitudes**

these three contributions (S-wave for the latter) have been calculated with remarkably small uncertainties
- ▶ work on calculating other contributions and estimating missing pieces is in progress

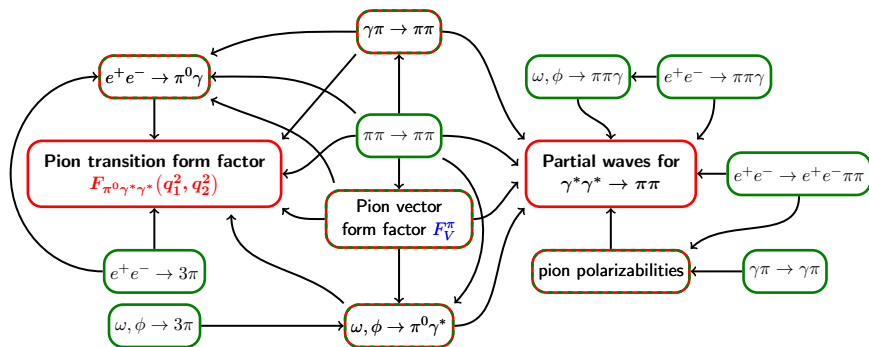
# Outlook

- ▶ More work is needed to complete the evaluation of contributions of  $2\pi$  intermediate states esp. for  $\ell \geq 2$ 
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  - ▶  $\Rightarrow$  solve the dispersion relation for the **helicity amplitudes of  $\gamma^*\gamma^* \rightarrow \pi\pi$** , including a full treatment of the LHC
- ▶ same formulae apply to heavier  $n \leq 2$  intermediate states ( $\eta^{(\prime)}$  or  $\bar{K}K$ ); for  $n > 2$  the formalism must be extended;
- ▶ implementation of short-distance constraints is in progress: **effect seems to be somewhat smaller than estimated so far**



# Hadronic light-by-light: a roadmap

GC, Hoferichter, Kubis, Procura, Stoffer [arXiv:1408.2517](https://arxiv.org/abs/1408.2517) (PLB '14)



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