

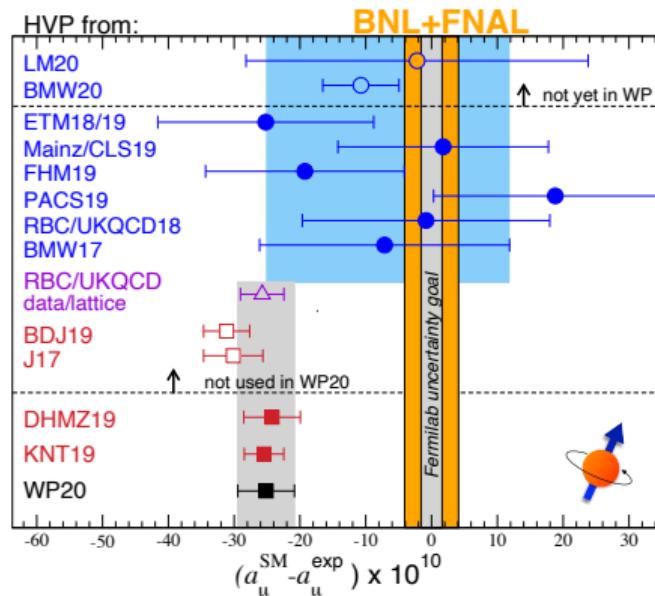
INTERMEDIATE WINDOW OBSERVABLE FOR THE HADRONIC VACUUM POLARIZATION CONTRIBUTION TO THE MUON $g - 2$ FROM $\mathbf{O}(a)$ IMPROVED WILSON QUARKS [2206.06582, CÈ ET AL.]

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HADRONIC VACUUM POLARIZATION CONTRIBUTION TO THE MUON $g - 2$



← Status for a_μ^{hvp} [2203.15810, Colangelo et al.]

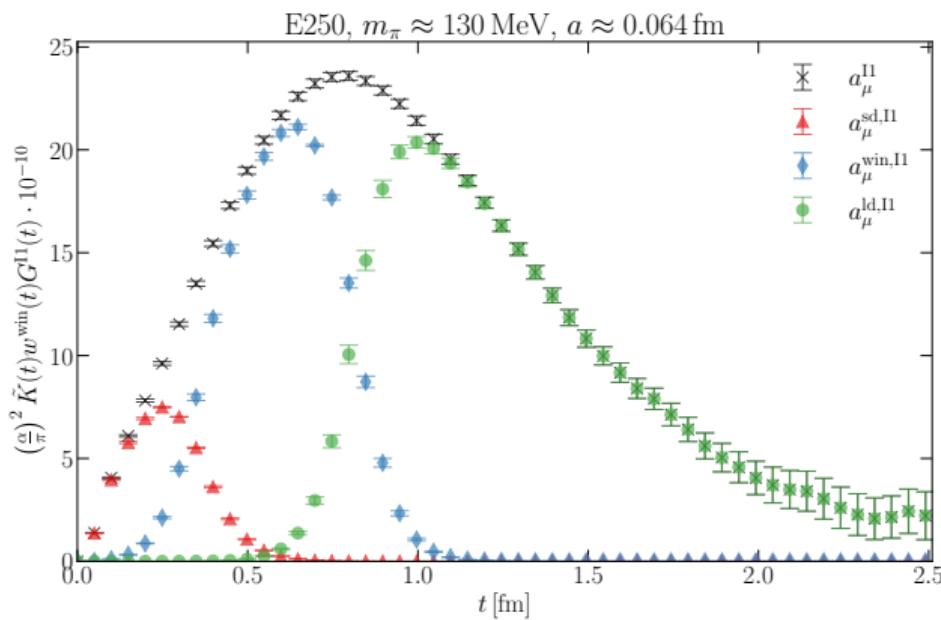
- Prediction in [2002.12347, BMWc] deviates **significantly** from data-driven results.
- High-precision lattice calculations needed. Major challenges:
 - ▶ Cutoff effects at short distances t
 - ▶ Exponential deterioration of signal-to-noise ratio at large t (with traditional Monte Carlo methods)

- Focus on benchmark quantities to compare among lattice collaborations:
Time windows in the Time Momentum Representation [1801.07224, Blum et al.]

EUCLIDEAN TIME WINDOWS IN THE TMR: ISOVECTOR CHANNEL

Time-momentum representation [1107.4388, Bernecker and Meyer]:

$$a_\mu^{\text{win}} := \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \int_0^\infty dt \tilde{K}(t) G(t) \cdot [\Theta(t, t_0, \Delta) - \Theta(t, t_1, \Delta)],$$



$$G(t) = -\frac{a^3}{3} \sum_{k=1}^3 \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle j_k^{\text{em}}(t, \vec{x}) j_k^{\text{em}}(0) \rangle$$

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

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

Intermediate window:

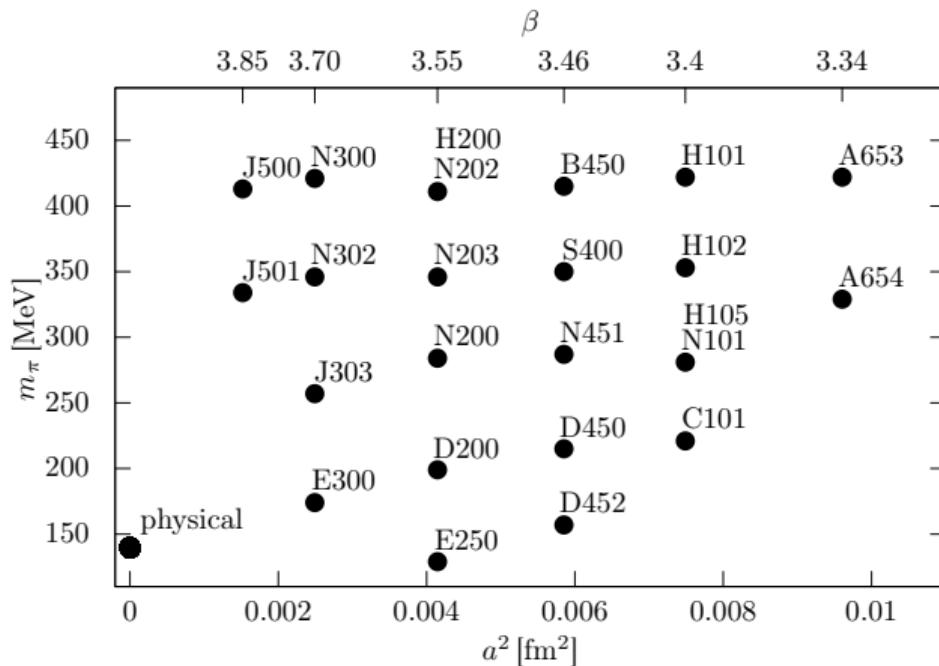
- Cutoff effects suppressed.
- No signal-to-noise problem.
- 1-3 per-mil uncertainty.

SOURCES OF UNCERTAINTY

Aim for high-precision determination of a_μ^{win} – need to carefully control all sources of systematic uncertainty:

- Finite box size
- Unphysical quark masses
- Finite lattice spacing
- Iso-symmetric gauge configurations
- Missing charm and bottom quarks in the sea (insignificant ✓)

$2 + 1$ FLAVOR CLS ENSEMBLES



Scale: Either use $\sqrt{t_0^{\text{phys}}} = 0.1443(15) \text{ fm}$ [2112.06696, Straßberger et al.] or express dimensionfull quantities in terms of $a f_\pi$ [1103.4818, Xu et al.][1904.03120, Gérardin et al.]

a_μ^{hyp} FROM DISCRETIZED VECTOR CURRENTS

- Work in isospin decomposition of the electromagnetic current

$$j_\mu^{\text{em}} = \frac{2}{3}\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{3}\bar{d}\gamma_\mu d - \frac{1}{3}\bar{s}\gamma_\mu s + \frac{2}{3}\bar{c}\gamma_\mu c + \dots = j_\mu^{I=1} + j_\mu^{I=0} + \frac{2}{3}\bar{c}\gamma_\mu c + \dots ,$$

Isovector: $j_\mu^{I=1} = \frac{1}{2}(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d)$, Isoscalar: $j_\mu^{I=0} = \frac{1}{6}(\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u + \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d - 2\bar{s}\gamma_\mu s)$

- Two discretizations of the vector current: local and conserved

$$J_\mu^{(\text{L}),a}(x) = \bar{\psi}(x)\gamma_\mu \frac{\lambda^a}{2}\psi(x) ,$$

$$J_\mu^{(\text{C}),a}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\bar{\psi}(x + a\hat{\mu})(1 + \gamma_\mu)U_\mu^\dagger(x) \frac{\lambda^a}{2}\psi(x) - \bar{\psi}(x)(1 - \gamma_\mu)U_\mu(x) \frac{\lambda^a}{2}\psi(x + a\hat{\mu}) \right) ,$$

$O(a)$ IMPROVED VECTOR CURRENTS

- Improved vector currents are given by

$$J_\mu^{(\alpha),a,\text{I}}(x) = J_\mu^{(\alpha),a}(x) + \textcolor{red}{a c_V^{(\alpha)}(g_0)} \tilde{\partial}_\nu \Sigma_{\mu\nu}^a(x), \quad \text{with } \alpha \in \text{L, C}$$

- Renormalization and mass-dependent improvement of local currents via

$$J_\mu^{(\text{L}),3,\text{R}}(x) = \textcolor{red}{Z_V} [1 + 3\bar{b}_V a m_q^{\text{av}} + b_V a m_{q,l}] J_\mu^{(\text{L}),3,\text{I}}(x),$$

$$\begin{aligned} J_\mu^{(\text{L}),8,\text{R}}(x) &= \textcolor{red}{Z_V} \left[1 + 3\bar{b}_V a m_q^{\text{av}} + \frac{b_V}{3} a (m_{q,l} + 2m_{q,s}) \right] J_\mu^{(\text{L}),8,\text{I}}(x) \\ &\quad + \textcolor{red}{Z_V} \left(\frac{1}{3} \bar{b}_V + f_V \right) \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} a (m_{q,l} - m_{q,s}) J_\mu^{(\text{L}),0,\text{I}}(x), \end{aligned}$$

- Two independent non-perturbative determinations of $\textcolor{red}{Z_V}, \textcolor{red}{c_V^L}, \textcolor{red}{c_V^C}, \textcolor{red}{b_V}, \textcolor{red}{\bar{b}_V}$:

Set 1: Large-volume, CLS ensembles [[1811.08209](#), Gérardin et al.]

Set 2: Small volume, Schrödinger functional [[2010.09539](#), ALPHA], [[1805.07401](#), Fritzsch]
differ by higher order cutoff effects. f_V is of $O(g_0^6)$ and unknown.

FINITE-SIZE EFFECTS

- Finite-size corrections applied to the isovector correlator.
- Correction for $t < \frac{(m_\pi L/4)^2}{m_\pi}$: Hansen-Patella method [1904.10010][2004.03935]
 - ▶ Expansion in the pion winding number.
 - ▶ Using monopole parametrization of the electromagnetic pion form factor.
- Large distances: MLL [1105.1892, Meyer] [hep-lat/0003023, Lellouch and Lüscher]:
 - ▶ Compute difference between finite and infinite-volume isovector correlator
 - ▶ Based on the time-like pion form factor.
 - ▶ Applied at large Euclidean distances → less relevant for a_μ^{win} .
- This is the **only correction** applied to the lattice data!
Of similar size as statistical uncertainty for a_μ^{win} .

CHIRAL-CONTINUUM EXTRAPOLATIONS

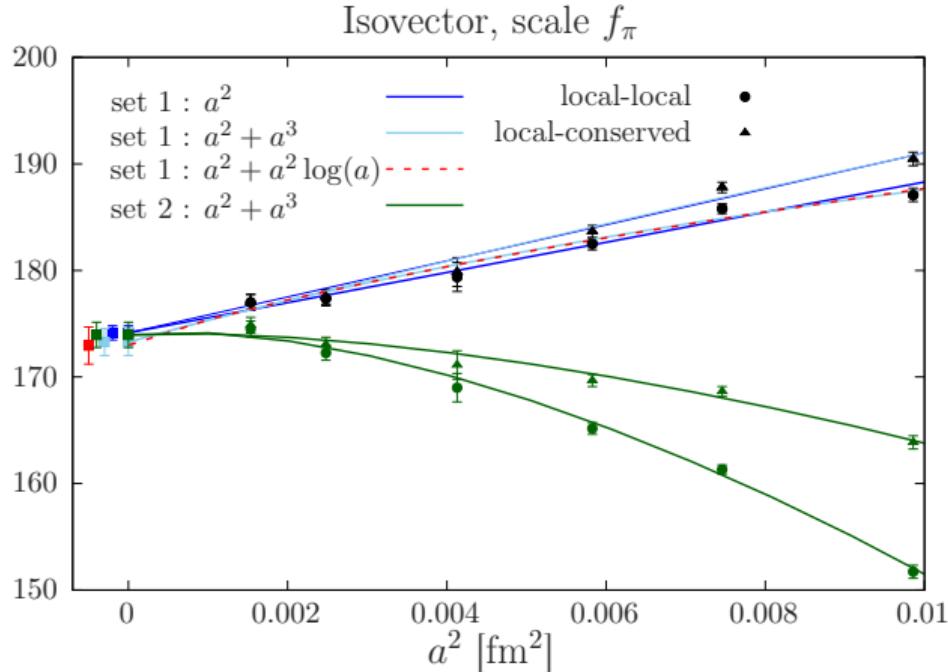
- Separate extrapolations of isovector, isoscalar and charm contributions.
- General fit ansatz, not possible to resolve all **parameters** at once:

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{win,f}}(X_a, X_\pi, X_K) = & \color{red} a_\mu^{\text{win,f}}(0, X_\pi^{\text{exp}}, X_K^{\text{exp}}) \\ & + \color{red} \beta_2 X_a^2 + \color{red} \beta_3 X_a^3 + \color{red} \delta X_a^2 X_\pi + \color{red} \epsilon X_a^2 \log X_a \\ & + \color{red} \gamma_1 (X_\pi - X_\pi^{\text{exp}}) + \color{red} \gamma_2 (f(X_\pi) - f(X_\pi^{\text{exp}})) \\ & + \color{red} \gamma_0 \left(X_K - X_K^{\text{phys}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

where $X_a \sim a$, $X_\pi \sim m_\pi^2$, $X_K \sim m_K^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_\pi^2$

- Light quark mass effects: $f(X_\pi) \in \{0; \log(X_\pi); X_\pi^2; 1/X_\pi; X_\pi \log(X_\pi)\}$
- Dedicated computation of priors for γ_0 (Backup).
- Final result and uncertainties from model average.

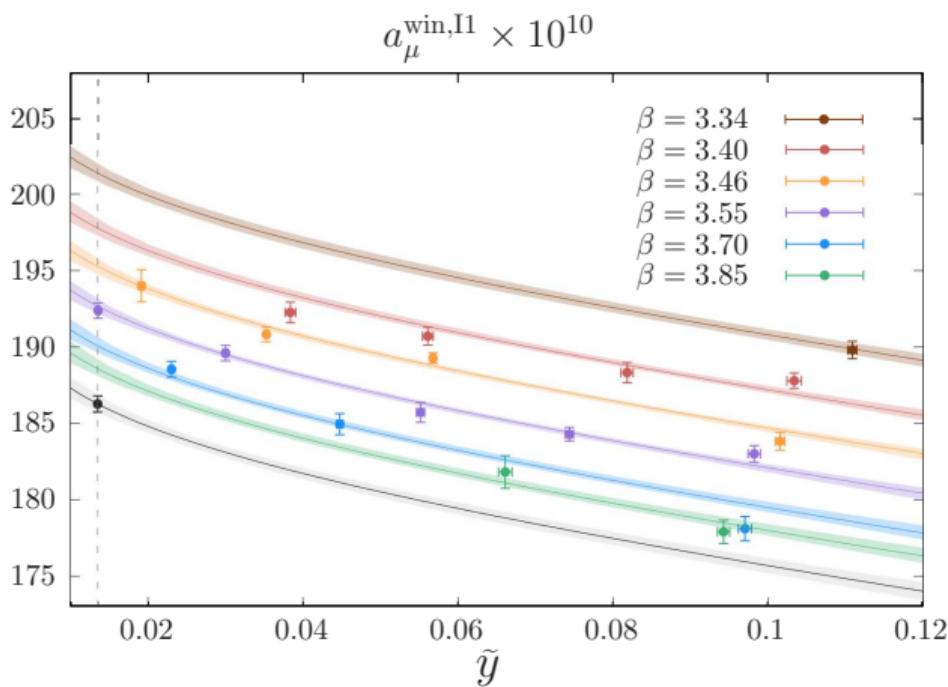
CONTINUUM EXTRAPOLATION AT $SU(3)_f$ SYMMETRIC POINT



- Two sets of equally valid improvement coefficients.
- No cutoff effects of $O(a^3)$ resolved for Set 1.
- Independent extrapolations compatible in the continuum → strong cross-check of our extrapolations.

■ No sign of modification
 $a^2 \rightarrow (\alpha_s(1/a^2))^{\hat{\Gamma}} a^2$
[\[1912.08498, Husung et al.\]](#)
[Nikolai Husung's talk](#)

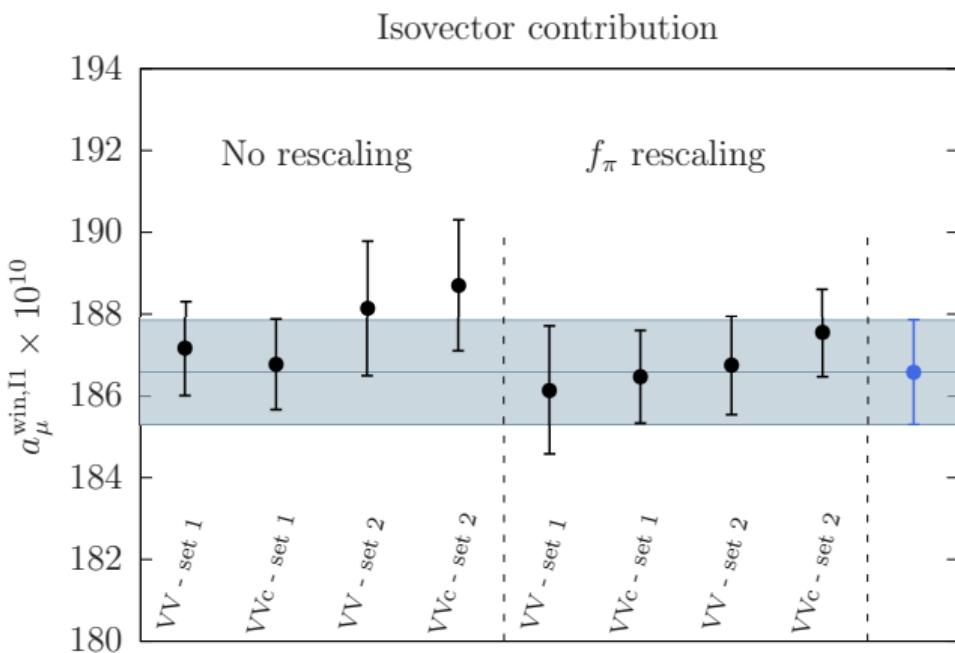
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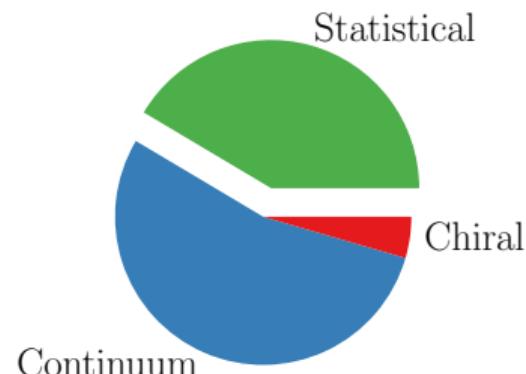
- f_π rescaling, local-local current and Set 1.
- Curvature in $\tilde{y} = \frac{m_\pi^2}{8\pi f_\pi^2}$ is needed to describe the data.
- Variation in the chiral extrapolation does not change the result significantly.
- Singular fit ansatz favored.

→ Martin Hoferichter's talk

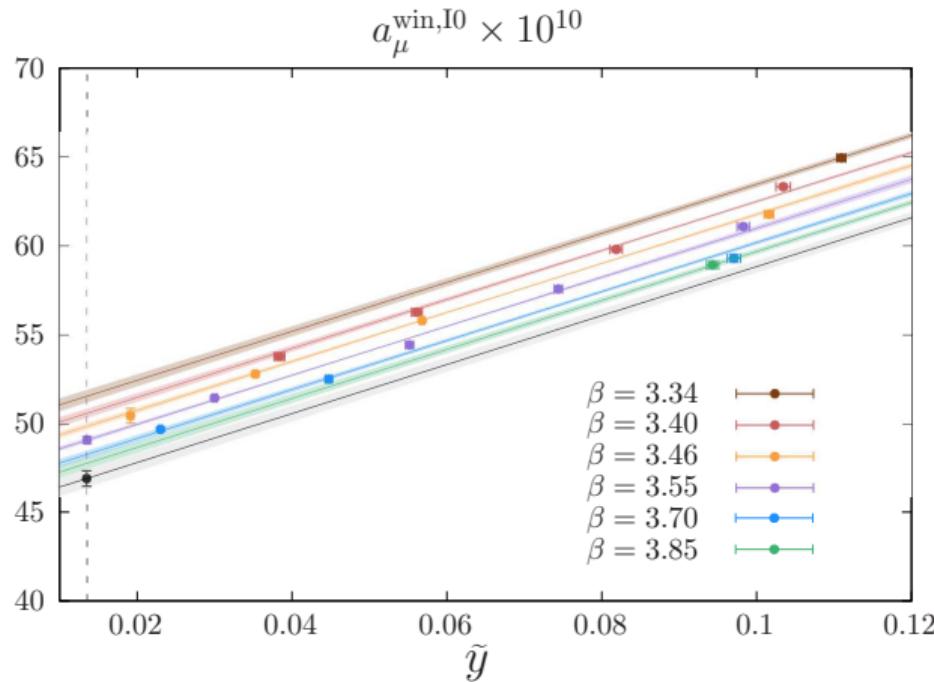
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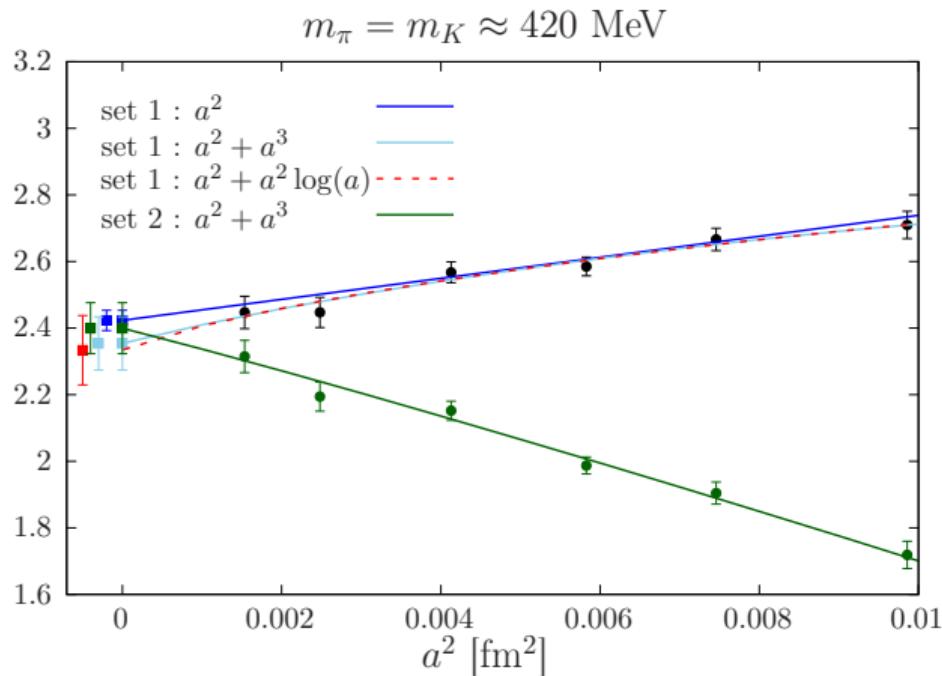


CHIRAL EXTRAPOLATION OF ISOSCALAR CONTRIBUTION



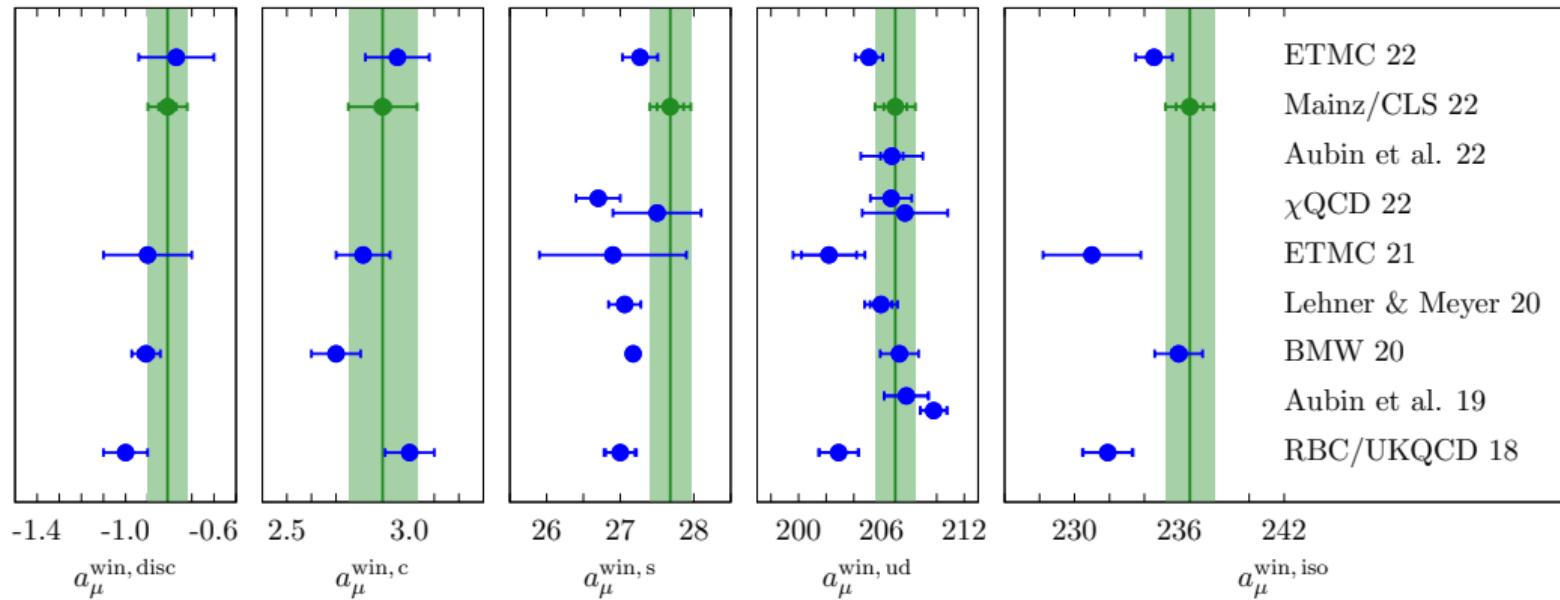
- f_π rescaling, local-local current and Set 1.
- Choose non-singular fit ansatz,
 $f(X_\pi) \in \{0; X_\pi^2; X_\pi \log(X_\pi)\}$
- Charm contribution not included at this stage.

CONTINUUM EXTRAPOLATION AT $SU(3)_f$ SYMMETRIC POINT: CHARM



- Charm quark included in partially-quenched setup.
- Effect of missing charm loops estimated to be $< 0.02\%$ for a_μ^{win}
→ negligible thanks to separation of scales.
- Mass-dependent renormalization scheme.
- Show only local-conserved current, large cutoff effects for local-local.

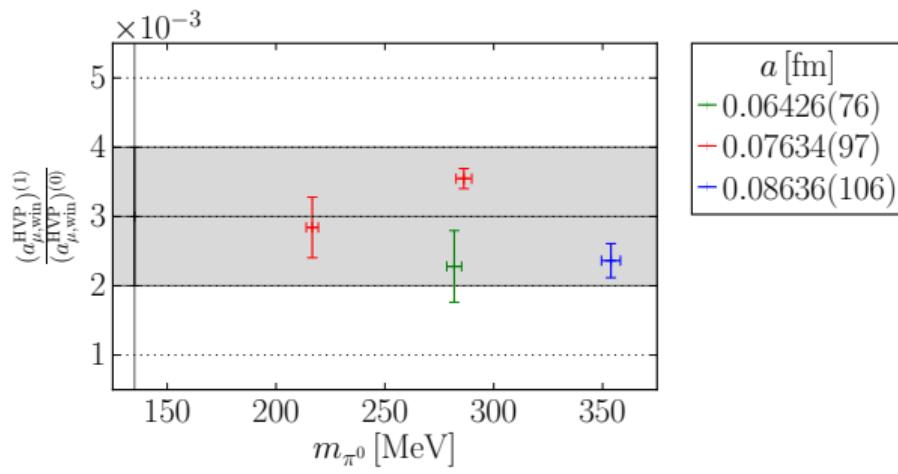
COMPARISON WITH LATTICE RESULTS FOR $a_\mu^{\text{win,iso}}$



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

■ Tension with EMTC 21 and RBC/UKQCD 18 estimates for $a_\mu^{\text{win,iso}}$ mainly from light quark contribution. EMTC 22 and BMW 20 consistent with our result.

ISOSPIN BREAKING EFFECTS IN a_μ^{win}



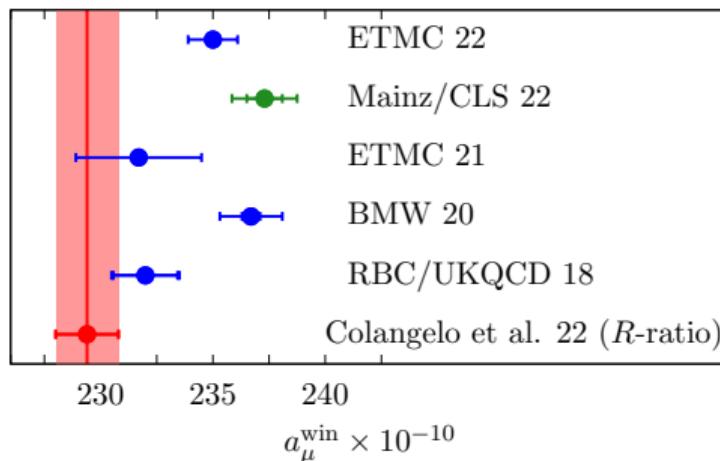
- QED_L-action [[o804.2044](#), Hayakawa and Uno] for IR regularisation, Coulomb gauge.
- Reweighting based on perturbative expansion [[1303.4896](#), de Divitiis et al.] in $\Delta\epsilon = \epsilon - \epsilon^{(0)} = (\Delta m_u, \Delta m_d, \Delta m_s, \Delta\beta = 0, e^2)$

- Ongoing effort [[2112.00878](#), Risch and Wittig]: four ensembles included, so far.
- IB in scale setting [[2112.08262](#), Segner et al.] and QED-FV effects to be considered.
- Uncertainty on relative correction 0.3(1)% doubled in final result for a_μ^{win} .

COMPARISON WITH RESULTS FOR a_μ^{win}

- Isospin-breaking correction $+(0.70 \pm 0.47) \times 10^{-10}$ included:

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



- 3.9σ tension with data-driven estimate in [2205.12963, Colangelo et al.].
- Genuine difference between lattice and data-driven results?

CONCLUSIONS

- We observe tension with data-driven estimates for a_μ^{win} .
- Systematic effects from continuum extrapolation seem to be under control:
 - ▶ Non-perturbative $O(a)$ improvement
 - ▶ 6 resolutions $< 0.1 \text{ fm}$ with $a_{\max}^2/a_{\min}^2 > 6$.
 - ▶ Two discretizations of the vector current, two sets of improvement procedures.
 - ▶ So-far no sign of logarithmic corrections to a^2 scaling.
- Uncertainties from chiral extrapolation and finite-volume correction are subleading.

OUTLOOK

- Investigation of other windows might help to clarify the situation.
- Short-distance window:
 - ▶ Cutoff effects from short-distance singularities need proper treatment
[[0807.1120](#), Della Morte et al.][[2106.15293](#), Cè et al.] [Rainer Sommer's talk](#).
 - ▶ Systematic uncertainties will dominate and need to be properly estimated.
- Sub-percent precision on a_μ^{hvp} needs reduction of our statistical uncertainties.
- Application of variance reduction techniques at physical pion masses in progress: Low Mode Averaging and information from $\pi\text{-}\pi$ scattering analyses (see [Srijit Paul's talk](#)).

THE CHIRAL TRAJECTORY

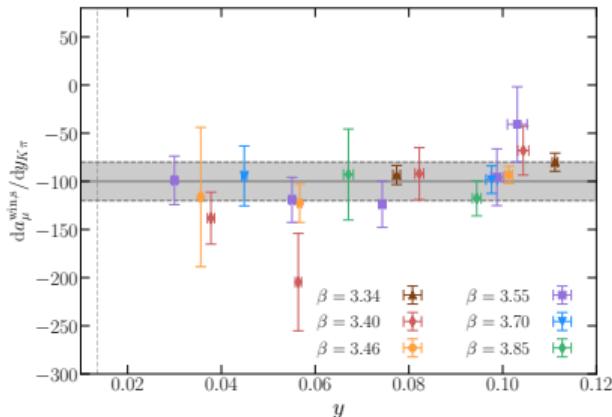
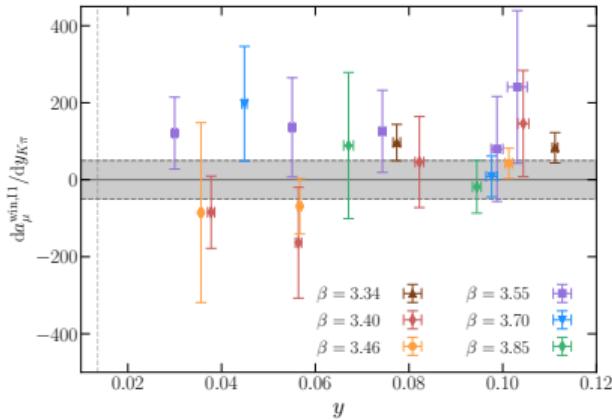
- The light and strange quark mass dependence is parameterized via

$$X_\pi = \tilde{y} = \frac{m_\pi^2}{8\pi f_\pi^2}, \quad X_K = y_{K\pi} = \frac{m_K^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_\pi^2}{8\pi f_{K\pi}^2}, \text{ where } f_{K\pi} = \frac{2}{3}(f_K + \frac{1}{2}f_\pi)$$

when using f_π rescaling.

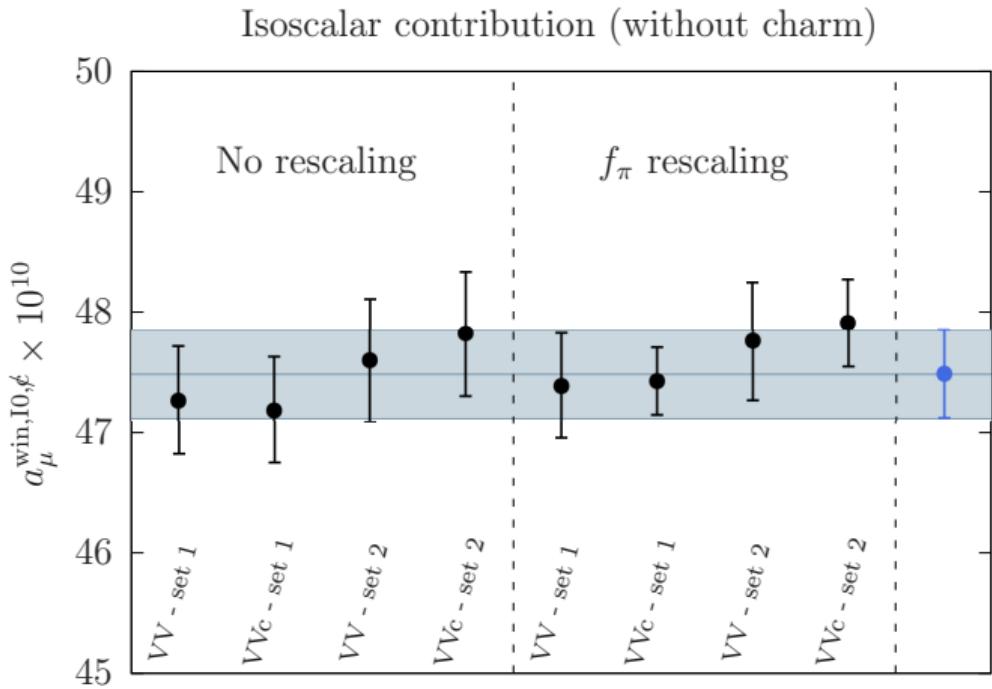
- $2am_l + am_s = \text{const}$ on our ensembles. This implies $X_K \sim \text{const}$ up to $O(a)$ and NLO χPT effects.
- Correct for small deviation $\Delta X_K = X_K^{\text{phys}} - X_K$ in global fit.
- No independent variation of the Kaon mass, fit parameter γ_0 not stable.

CORRECTING THE MISTUNING OF THE CHIRAL TRAJECTORY



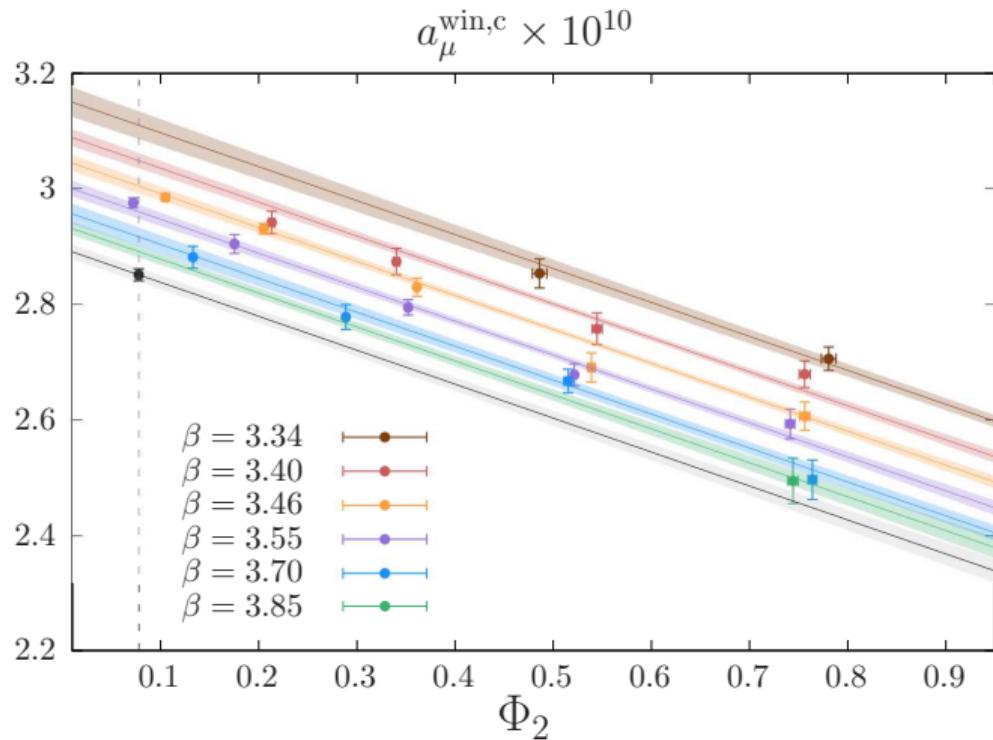
- Explicit computation of $\gamma_0 = \frac{d\langle a_\mu^{\text{win}} \rangle}{dX_K}$.
- Based on mass-derivatives $\frac{d\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle}{dm_{q,i}}$ and a first-order Taylor expansion [1608.08900, Bruno et al.].
- No cutoff or quark mass effects resolved.
- Use results as priors for fit parameter γ_0 .
 - ▶ No significant strange quark mass dependence for $a_\mu^{\text{win},\text{I1}}$.
 - ▶ Negative contribution for $a_\mu^{\text{win},\text{s}}$.
- Results confirmed by pheno estimates.

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