

# HVP Contributions to Muon g-2: QCD Constraints Using Inequalities and Sum Rules

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# Muon Anomalous Magnetic Moment $a_\mu$

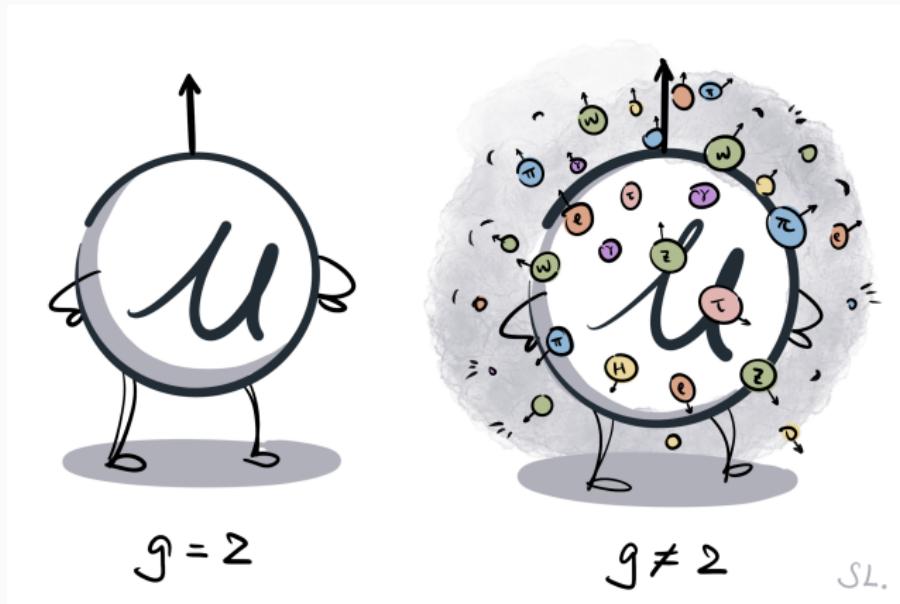


Illustration by Siyuan Li (inspired by "The Muon  $g-2$  Anomaly Explained" from [aps.org](http://aps.org))

$$a_\mu = (g - 2)_\mu / 2$$

# Hadronic Vacuum Polarization (HVP) contributions to $a_\mu$

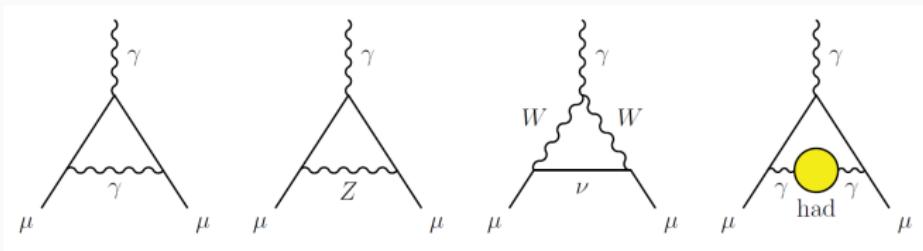


Fig 56.1 [S. Navas et al. (Particle Data Group), Phys. Rev. D 110, 030001 (2024)]

$$a_\mu^{\text{SM}} = a_\mu^{\text{QED}} + a_\mu^{\text{EW}} + \textcolor{teal}{a}_\mu^{\text{had}}$$

(Aoyama, et al. 2020)

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ 116584718.931(104) \times 10^{-11} \\ \downarrow \\ 153.6(1.0) \times 10^{-11} \\ \downarrow \\ 6931(40) \times 10^{-11} \end{array}$$

# Tension in Theoretical Predictions

For  $a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}$ ,

- Fermilab Muon  $g - 2$  Experiment<sup>1</sup> disagrees with theory<sup>2</sup> at  $5.0\sigma$
- CMD-3 detector for pion<sup>3</sup>
- Lattice QCD<sup>4</sup> (e.g., BMW collaboration)

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## us:

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<sup>1</sup>D. P. Aguillard *et al.* [Muon g-2], Phys. Rev. Lett. 131 (2023) no.16, 161802

<sup>2</sup>T. Aoyama *et al.* Phys. Rept. 887 (2020), 1-166

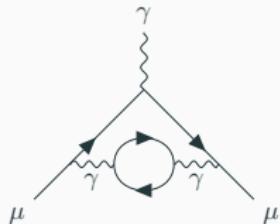
<sup>3</sup>F. V. Ignatov *et al.* [CMD-3], Phys. Rev. Lett. 132 (2024) no.23, 231903

<sup>4</sup>S. Borsanyi *et al.* Nature 593 (2021) no.7857, 51-55

## Methodology

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# Finite-energy QCD sum rule (FESR)



Dispersion integral

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} = \frac{1}{4\pi^3} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty \sigma^H(t) K(t) dt \approx \frac{4m_\mu^2 \alpha^2}{3\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty \frac{1}{t^2} \text{Im}\Pi^H(t) dt$$

Finite-energy QCD sum rule (FESR) structure

$$F_k(s_0) = \int_{t_0}^{s_0} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi^H(t) t^k dt,$$

$$\Rightarrow a_\mu^{\text{QCD}} \approx \frac{4m_\mu^2 \alpha^2}{3} F_{-2}(\infty)$$

# Hölder inequality (Lower Bound)

$$\left| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(t) g(t) d\mu \right| \leq \left( \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |f(t)|^p d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |g(t)|^q d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1.$$

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$$F_k^2 \leq F_{k+1} F_{k-1}.$$

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$$F_{-2} \geq \frac{F_0^3}{F_1^2}.$$

# Upper Bound

Method inspired by *F. Dalfovo and S. Stringari, Phys. Rev. B 46, 3991 (1992)*.

$$\int_{t_0}^{s_0} \frac{1}{t^2} [1 + At]^2 \operatorname{Im}\Pi^H(t) dt \leq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{t_0} \int_{t_0}^{s_0} \frac{1}{t} [1 + At]^2 \operatorname{Im}\Pi^H(t) dt \\ \frac{1}{t_0^2} \int_{t_0}^{s_0} [1 + At]^2 \operatorname{Im}\Pi^H(t) dt \end{cases}$$

eg.  $\int_{t_0}^{s_0} \left[ \frac{1}{t^2} + \frac{2A}{t} + A^2 \right] \operatorname{Im}\Pi^H(t) dt \sim F_{-2} + 2AF_{-1} + A^2 F_0$

$$\xi \frac{4m_\mu^2 \alpha^2}{3} \frac{F_0^3(s_0)}{F_1^2(s_0)} \leq a_\mu^{\text{QCD}} \leq \frac{4m_\mu^2 \alpha^2}{3} \begin{cases} F_{-1}^{(B)}/t_0 - \frac{(F_0/t_0 - F_{-1}^{(B)})^2}{F_1/t_0 - F_0} \\ F_0/t_0^2 - \frac{(F_1/t_0^2 - F_{-1}^{(B)})^2}{F_2/t_0^2 - F_0} \end{cases},$$

where  $\xi = 0.83$ ,  $F_{-1}^{(B)} \equiv \frac{F_0}{t_0} - \frac{(F_1/t_0 - F_0)^2}{(F_2/t_0 - F_1)}$ .

# QCD Inputs

The QCD correlation function for the (single) light quark vector current  
 $j_\mu(x) = \bar{q}(x)\gamma_\mu q(x)$  :

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi(Q^2) = & \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \Pi^{\text{pert}}(Q^2) - \frac{3m_q^2(\nu)}{2\pi^2 Q^2} + 2\langle m_q \bar{q}q \rangle \frac{1}{Q^4} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right) \\ & + \frac{1}{12\pi} \langle \alpha_s G^2 \rangle \frac{1}{Q^4} \left( 1 + \frac{7}{6} \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right) - \frac{224}{81} \pi \alpha_s \langle \bar{q} \bar{q} qq \rangle \frac{1}{Q^6} \\ & + \dots\end{aligned}$$

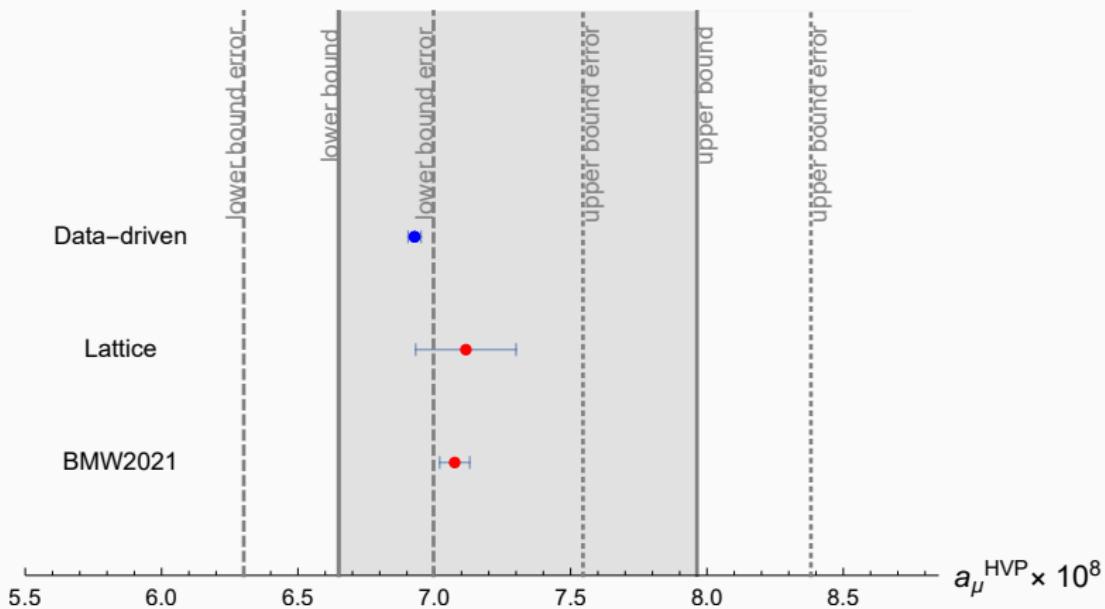
# QCD Inputs (FESR)

$$F_0(s_0) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} T_{1,0} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^2 (T_{2,0} + T_{2,1}) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^3 (T_{3,0} + T_{3,1} + 2T_{3,2}) \right. \\ \left. + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^4 (T_{4,0} + T_{4,1} + 2T_{4,2} + 6T_{4,3}) \right] s_0 - \frac{3}{2\pi^2} m_q(\nu)^2 ,$$

$$F_1(s_0) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} T_{1,0} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^2 \left( T_{2,0} + \frac{1}{2} T_{2,1} \right) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^3 \left( T_{3,0} + \frac{1}{2} T_{3,1} + \frac{1}{2} T_{3,2} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^4 \left( T_{4,0} + \frac{1}{2} T_{4,1} + \frac{1}{2} T_{4,2} + \frac{3}{4} T_{4,3} \right) \right] s_0^2 \\ - 2 \langle m_q \bar{q} q \rangle \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right) - \frac{1}{12\pi} \langle \alpha_s G^2 \rangle \left( 1 + \frac{7}{6} \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right) ,$$

$$F_2(s_0) = \frac{1}{12\pi^2} \left[ 1 + \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} T_{1,0} + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^2 \left( T_{2,0} + \frac{1}{3} T_{2,1} \right) + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^3 \left( T_{3,0} + \frac{1}{3} T_{3,1} + \frac{2}{9} T_{3,2} \right) \right. \\ \left. + \left( \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)}{\pi} \right)^4 \left( T_{4,0} + \frac{1}{3} T_{4,1} + \frac{2}{9} T_{4,2} + \frac{2}{9} T_{4,3} \right) \right] s_0^3 - \frac{224}{81} \pi \alpha_s \langle \bar{q} \bar{q} q q \rangle .$$

# Results



\*supplemented with charmonium and bottomonium resonance contributions<sup>5</sup> for comparison.

<sup>5</sup>A. Keshavarzi, D. Nomura, and T. Teubner, Phys. Rev. D 101, 014029 (2020).

T. Aoyama et al., Physics Reports 887, 1 (2020).

S. Borsanyi et al., Nature 593, 51 (2021), [arXiv:2002.12347 [hep-lat]].

# Conclusion

- Construct constraints on  $a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}$  using FESR and Hölder inequalities

$$(657.0 \pm 34.8) \times 10^{-10} \leq a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} \leq (788.4 \pm 41.8) \times 10^{-10};$$

- Bridge the gap between LQCD and data-driven approaches;
- A possible resolution of the tension between LQCD and data-driven determinations of  $a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}}$ .

# Publication

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**Thank you! ... Questions?**

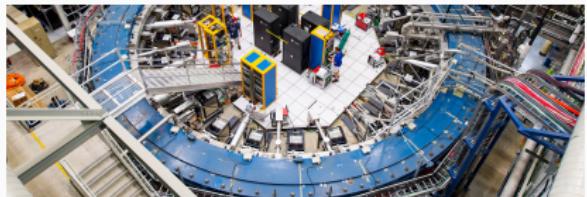
# Backup slides: How is $a_\mu$ measured?

Measurement of the Positive Muon Anomalous Magnetic Moment  
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Phys. Rev. Lett. 131, 161802 – Published 17 October 2023

Detailed report on the measurement of the positive muon  
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pion decay produces muons



muon in the storage ring with  
uniform magnetic field  $\vec{B}$



precession of muons ( $g$  factor)



muon decay  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$



direct measure of  $a_\mu$

*image source: muon-g-2.fnal.gov*

⇒ Cyclotron frequency  $\omega_c = eB/m$

⇒ torque on muon spin by the  
magnetic field  $(\vec{\mu} \times \vec{B})$  with the  
muon spin precession frequency

$$\omega_s = 2\mu B = g \frac{eB}{2m} = (1 + a_\mu) \frac{eB}{2m}$$

⇒ anomalous precession frequency

$$\omega_a = \omega_s - \omega_c = a_\mu \frac{e}{m} B$$

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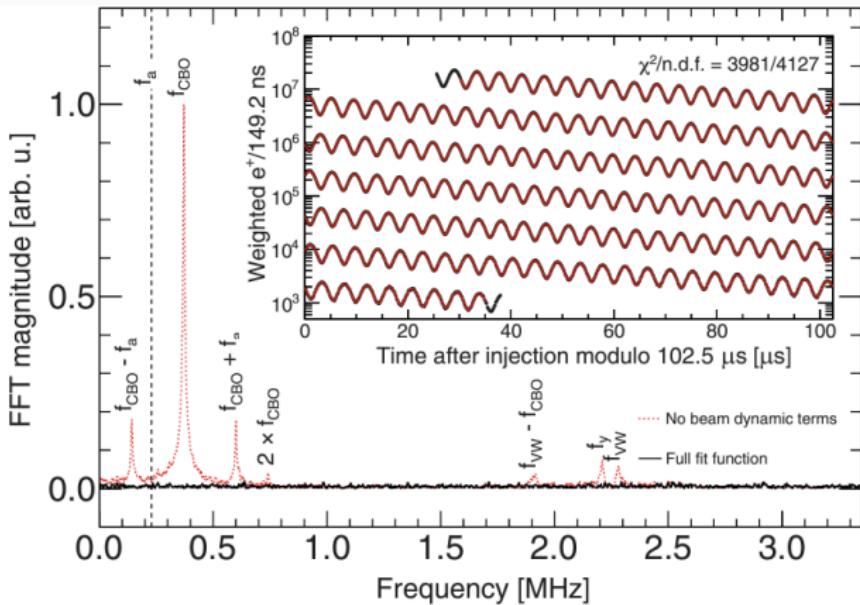


Fig. 1 & Eq.(3)  
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$$N(t) = N_0 \eta_N(t) e^{-t/\gamma\tau_\mu} \\ \times \{1 + A\eta_A(t) \cos [\omega_a t + \varphi_0 + \eta_\phi(t)]\}$$

## Backup slides: QCD Sum Rules (QCDSR)

**Asymptotic freedom:** As the distance between interacting particles decreases, the energy scale increases and the strength of the strong interaction decreases. → **colour confinement**

- **Two-point correlation function**  $\Pi(q^2)$
- **Operator Product Expansion (OPE)**

$$\Pi(q^2) \sim \sum_n C_n(q^2) \langle \mathcal{O}_n \rangle = C_1(q^2) \mathbf{1} + C_4(q^2) \langle G^2 \rangle + \dots,$$

- **Dispersion Relation (quark-hadron duality)**

$$\Pi(Q^2) = \int_{s_0}^{\infty} ds \frac{\rho^{\text{had}}(s)}{s + Q^2},$$

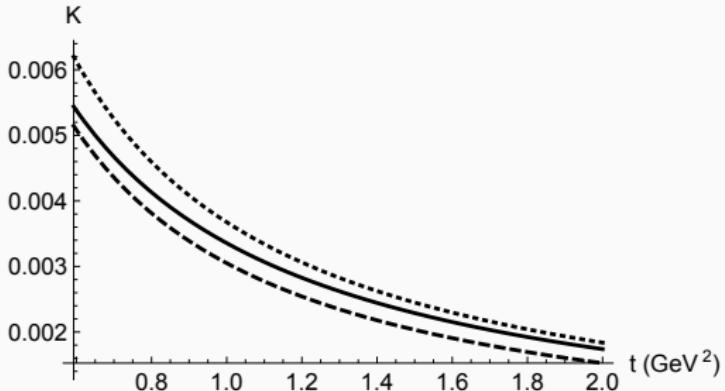
- **Extract hadronic parameters** by equating the correlator OPE (LHS) and the phenomenological representation (RHS)

## Backup slides: Dimensional Regularization

Regularize divergence:

- 4-dimensional integral  $\rightarrow d$ -dimensional
- Expand in  $d = 4 \pm 2\epsilon$  dimensions as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$
- divergences are in  $\mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\epsilon})$  terms

# Backup slides: Kernel Function Approximation



The exact  $K(t)$  (solid line) compared to the approximate form  $K_\xi(t)$  with  $\xi = 0.83$  (lower dashed line) and with  $\xi = 1$  (upper dotted line).

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$$K(t) \approx \frac{m_\mu^2}{3t} = K_{\text{approx}}(t)$$

## Backup Slides: Hölder inequality (Lower Bound)

The general Hölder inequality

$$\left| \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(t) g(t) d\mu \right| \leq \left( \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |f(t)|^p d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{t_1}^{t_2} |g(t)|^q d\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1.$$

With  $d\mu = \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi^H(t) dt$  and careful choice of functions  $f(t), g(t)$ :

$$F_{\alpha+\beta}(s_0) \leq [F_{\alpha p}(s_0)]^{\frac{1}{p}} \left[ F_{\frac{\beta p}{p-1}}(s_0) \right]^{\frac{p-1}{p}}.$$

The most restrictive lower bound (from the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality) :

$$F_{-2} \geq \frac{F_0^3}{F_1^2} \geq \frac{F_0^2}{F_2} \geq \frac{F_1^4}{F_2^3}.$$

## Backup Slides: Our Constraints

Constraint: the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality (*i.e.*, the Hölder inequality with  $p = 2$ ,  $\alpha = \frac{k+1}{2}$  and  $\beta = \frac{k-1}{2}$ )

$$F_k^2 \leq F_{k+1} F_{k-1}.$$

$$\xi \frac{4m_\mu^2 \alpha^2}{3} \frac{F_0^3(s_0)}{F_1^2(s_0)} \leq a_\mu^{\text{QCD}} \leq \frac{4m_\mu^2 \alpha^2}{3} \begin{cases} F_{-1}^{(B)}/t_0 - \frac{(F_0/t_0 - F_{-1}^{(B)})^2}{F_1/t_0 - F_0} \\ F_0/t_0^2 - \frac{(F_1/t_0^2 - F_{-1}^{(B)})^2}{F_2/t_0^2 - F_0} \end{cases},$$

where  $\xi = 0.83$ .

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The perturbative contributions:

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi^{\text{pert}}(t, \nu) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_s(\nu)^n}{\pi} \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} T_{n,m} \log^m \left( \frac{\nu^2}{t} \right).$$

# Backup slides: Laplace Sum Rule Approach

QCD Laplace sum-rules

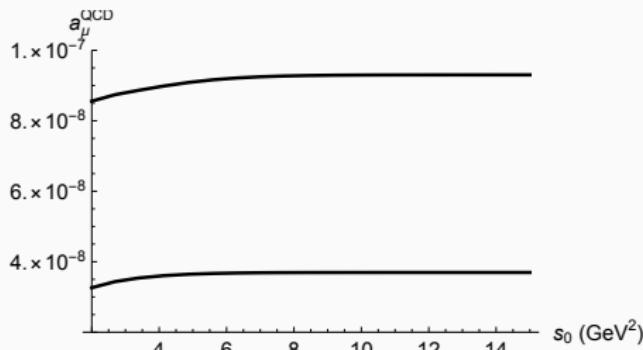
$$L_k(\tau, s_0) = \int_{t_0}^{s_0} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im}\Pi^H(t) t^k e^{-t\tau} dt.$$

Approximate Kernel function near  $t = t'$ :

$$K(t) \approx K(t, t') = K(t') e^\zeta \left[ a_1 \left( \frac{t}{t'} \right) + a_2 \left( \frac{t}{t'} \right)^2 + a_3 \left( \frac{t}{t'} \right)^3 \right] e^{-\zeta t/t'},$$

$$a_\mu^{\text{QCD}} \approx 4\alpha^2 K(\zeta/\tau) \frac{\tau}{\zeta} e^\zeta \left[ a_1 L_0(\tau, s_0) + a_2 \frac{\tau}{\zeta} L_1(\tau, s_0) + a_3 \left( \frac{\tau}{\zeta} \right)^2 L_2(\tau, s_0) \right],$$

where  $a_1 + a_2 + a_3 = 1$ ,  $t_0 = 4m_\pi^2$ ,  $\tau = \zeta/t'$ .



$$369.5 \times 10^{-10} \leq a_\mu^{\text{QCD}} \leq 930.2 \times 10^{-10}$$

# Backup slides: Finding coefficients $T_{n,m}$

$N_f = 4$	$m = 0$	$m = 1$	$m = 2$	$m = 3$	$N_f = 3$	$m = 0$	$m = 1$	$m = 2$	$m = 3$
$n = 1$	1	-	-	-	$n = 1$	1	-	-	-
$n = 2$	1.52453	25/12	-	-	$n = 2$	1.63982	9/4	-	-
$n = 3$	-11.6856	9.56054	625/144	-	$n = 3$	-10.2839	11.3792	81/16	-
$n = 4$	-92.91	-56.90	36.56	$\frac{15625}{1728}$	$n = 4$	-106.896	-46.2379	47.4048	729/64

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- coefficients  $T_{n,m}$  for  $N_f = 4$  (left) and  $N_f = 3$  (right).
- The four-loop results are given in [6].
- the five-loop coefficient  $T_{4,0}$  is from [7].
- $T_{4,1}$ ,  $T_{4,2}$ , and  $T_{4,3}$  are generated from the RG analysis of [2] via the four-loop ( $N_f = 4$  and  $N_f = 3$ )  $\overline{\text{MS}}$ -scheme  $\beta$  function.

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<sup>6</sup>M. R. Ahmady et al., Phys. Rev. D 67, 034017 (2003)

<sup>7</sup>P. A. Baikov, K. G. Chetyrkin, and J. H. K ühn, Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 012002 (2008)

# Backup slides: QCD parameters used

Parameter	Value	Source
$\alpha$	$1/137.036$	PDG2022
$\alpha_s(M_\tau)$	$0.312 \pm 0.015$	PDG2022
$m_u(2\text{ GeV})$	$2.16_{-0.26}^{+0.49}\text{ MeV}$	PDG2022
$m_d(2\text{ GeV})$	$4.67_{-0.17}^{+0.48}\text{ MeV}$	PDG2022
$m_s(2\text{ GeV})$	$(0.0934_{-0.0034}^{+0.0086})\text{ GeV}$	PDG2022
$f_\pi$	$(0.13056 \pm 0.00019)/\sqrt{2}\text{ GeV}$	PDG2022
$m_n\langle\bar{n}n\rangle$	$-\frac{1}{2}f_\pi^2 m_\pi^2$	Phys. Rev. 175, 2195 (1968)
$m_s\langle\bar{s}s\rangle$	$r_m r_c m_n \langle\bar{n}n\rangle$	Phys. Rev. D 103, 114005 (2021)
$r_c \equiv \langle\bar{s}s\rangle/\langle\bar{n}n\rangle$	$0.66 \pm 0.10$	Phys. Rev. D 103, 114005 (2021)
$m_s/m_n = r_m$	$27.33_{-0.77}^{+0.67}$	PDG2022
$\langle\alpha G^2\rangle$	$(0.0649 \pm 0.0035)\text{ GeV}^4$	Nucl. Phys. A 1039, 122743 (2023)
$\kappa$	$3.22 \pm 0.5$	Nucl. Phys. A 1039, 122743 (2023)
$\alpha_s\langle\bar{n}n\rangle^2$	$\kappa (1.8 \times 10^{-4})\text{ GeV}^6$	Phys. Rev. D 103, 114005 (2021)
$\alpha_s\langle\bar{s}s\rangle^2$	$r_c^2 \alpha_s \langle\bar{n}n\rangle^2$	Phys. Rev. D 103, 114005 (2021)

Here,  $m_n = (m_u + m_d)/2$  and  $\langle\bar{n}n\rangle = \langle\bar{u}u\rangle = \langle\bar{d}d\rangle$ .

## Backup slides: Running of $\alpha_s$

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Running of  $\alpha_s$  through flavour threshold is not taken into consideration as the effect will be overwhelmed by other uncertainties.

[See *K.G. Chetyrkin, B.A. Kniehl, M. Steinhauser, hep-ph/9708255 v2 & T. G. Steele and V. Elias, Mod. Phys. Lett. A 13, 3151 (1998)*]

## Backup slides: Optimization and Result

Flavour	$s_0^{\text{opt}} \text{ (GeV}^2)$	$a_\mu^{\text{QCD}} \text{ (lower bound)}$	$a_\mu^{\text{QCD}} \text{ (upper bound)}$
$u$	1.09	$\geq 472.7 \times 10^{-10}$	$\leq 567.2 \times 10^{-10}$
$d$	1.09	$\geq 118.1 \times 10^{-10}$	$\leq 141.7 \times 10^{-10}$
$s$	1.19	$\geq 66.2 \times 10^{-10}$	$\leq 79.5 \times 10^{-10}$
Total	–	$\geq 657.0 \times 10^{-10}$	$\leq 788.4 \times 10^{-10}$

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## Backup slides: Charmonium and Bottomonium Supplement

Our QCD prediction for the light-quark contributions:

$$(657.0 \pm 34.8) \times 10^{-10} \leq a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} \leq (788.4 \pm 41.8) \times 10^{-10}.$$

Supplement our bounds with charmonium and bottomonium resonance contributions of

$$a_{\mu, \bar{c}c, \bar{b}b}^{\text{HVP,LO}} = (7.93 \pm 0.19) \times 10^{-10}$$

from [A. Keshavarzi, D. Nomura, and T. Teubner, Phys. Rev. D 101, 014029 (2020)]

$$\Rightarrow (664.9 \pm 34.8) \times 10^{-10} \leq a_\mu^{\text{HVP,LO}} \leq (796.3 \pm 41.8) \times 10^{-10}$$