

Standard Model precision tests from lattice QCD

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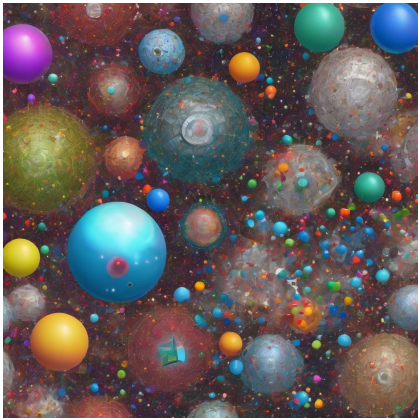


- Divide matter into its smallest constituents

10^{-10} m : Atom

10^{-14} m : Nucleus (protons/neutrons)

10^{-19} m : Elementary particles



- Particle content

- Interact via forces

Strong nuclear force

Weak nuclear force

Electromagnetic force

Gravity

- What about real world?

Figure from img2go

Standard Model of Elementary Particles

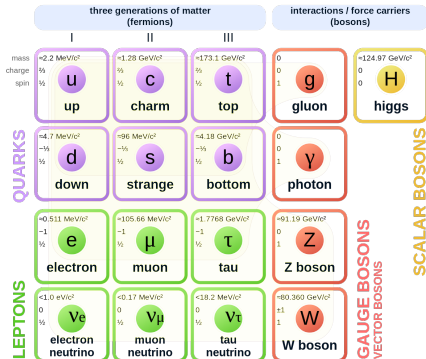
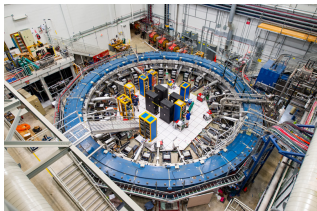


Figure from Wikipedia

- ~ 20 parameters
- Make predictions!
- Works exceptionally well
- Does not explain:
Dark matter/energy
Matter asymmetry
...

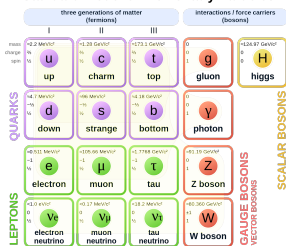
⇒ Need to test the Standard Model to find what is beyond



Experiment

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Standard Model of Elementary Particles



+ ?
Unknown

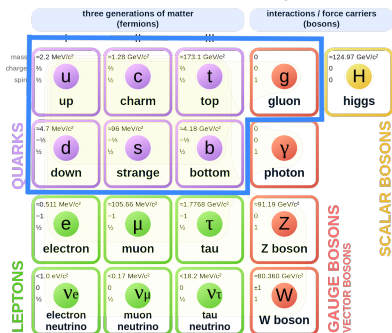
Theory prediction

Searching for new particles with precision calculations

- If real tension found, look for new particles in dedicated experiments
- If no tension, we still constrain new physics

Strong force = Quantum Chromodynamics

Standard Model of Elementary Particles



- Quarks and gluons not free particles
- Bound into protons, neutrons, pions, kaons, ...
- Important at low energies
- How to do QCD calculations?
 - Dispersion theory
 - Effective field theory
 - Lattice QCD

Effective field theory for QCD

- Relevant degrees of freedom: Pions, kaons and eta
- Symmetries of QCD. Systematic power counting: LO, NLO, ...
- Systematically improve precision: higher order
- Everything in terms of low-energy constants
- Bottleneck: Constants must be known for new predictions
- Despite this, technique very useful for lattice QCD

	# LECs
LO	2
NLO	12
NNLO	94
NNNLO	1254

[Wess, Zumino 71; Witten 83; Gasser, Leutwyler 83/84; Bijmans, Colangelo, Ecker 99; Bijmans, Girlanda, Talavera 02; Bijmans, NHT, Wang 18; Bijmans, NHT, Ruiz-Vidal 23]

Lattice QCD

- Simulate QCD on the computer: Monte-Carlo methods
- Discretise space and time onto grid of finite extent

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{\int DU e^{-S[U]} \mathcal{O}[U]}{\int DU e^{-S[U]}}$$

- Action $S[U]$ contains the underlying physics of QCD
- Statistical/systematic uncertainties, e.g.

- Discretisation effects: a
- Finite-volume effects: L
- Physics: $L \rightarrow \infty, a \rightarrow 0, \dots$

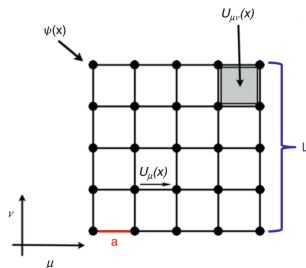


Figure from Ratti et al., 2021

- Lattice QCD: Systematically improvable with three ingredients

- ★ Computer power:



- ★ Algorithmic/software development
- ★ Formal/data analysis developments: [Effective theory techniques](#)
- Next: look at some state-of-the art precision tests (biased)

Magnetic moment of the muon

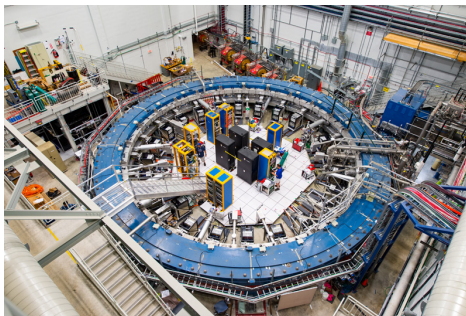
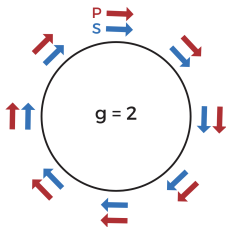


Figure from Fermilab

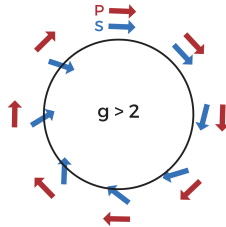
- Muon has spin **S** and magnetic moment

$$\vec{\mu} = g_{\mu} \frac{Q_{\mu} e}{2m_{\mu}} \vec{S}, \quad a_{\mu} = \frac{(g - 2)_{\mu}}{2}$$

- $g_{\mu} = 2$ is the classical value for gyromagnetic ratio
- Spin interacts with external magnetic field
- Let muon move circularly in homogeneous magnetic field



Not real life



Anomalous [Schwinger 1948]

- Standard Model [White Paper, 2020] vs. Experimental value Brookhaven/Fermilab

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}, 2020} = 116\,591\,810(43) \times 10^{-11},$$

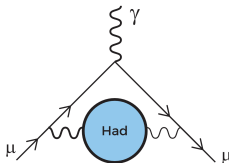
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} = 116\,592\,059(22) \times 10^{-11}, \quad \leftarrow 0.1 \text{ ppm precision}$$

$$\Delta a_{\mu} = 249(48) \times 10^{-11}$$

- 5.2 σ deviation between experiment and theory [White Paper 2020; Fermilab 2023]

Did we discover new physics!?

- Not really... Lattice QCD does not agree with dispersion theory [BMW 20/24]



Hadronic vacuum polarisation

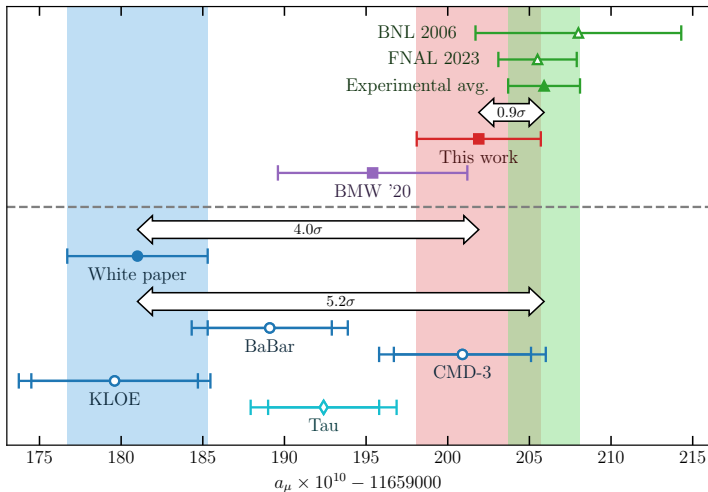


Figure from [BMW 24]

- Theoretical discrepancy: dispersion theory vs lattice QCD
- Lattice result needed scrutiny: **A lot of interest from collaborations**

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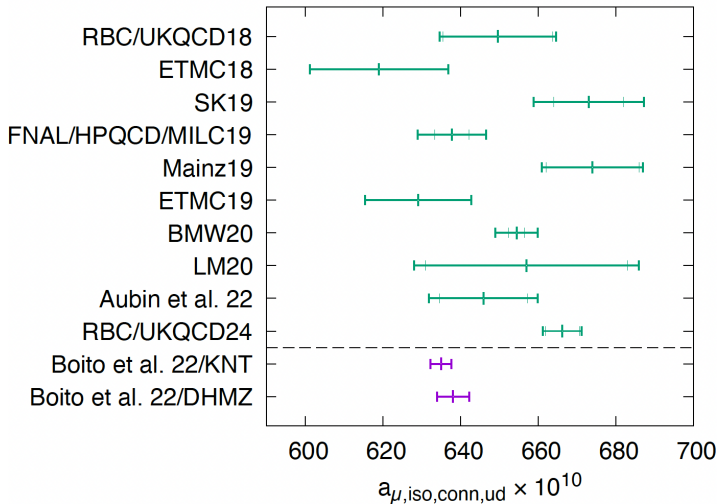


Figure from [RBC/UKQCD(NHT) 24]

- Also other lattice collaborations find the same
- **Lattice QCD:** No new physics in full $g - 2$ [BMW 20/24; Mainz 24]

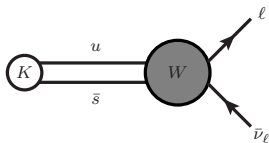
Flavour physics sector

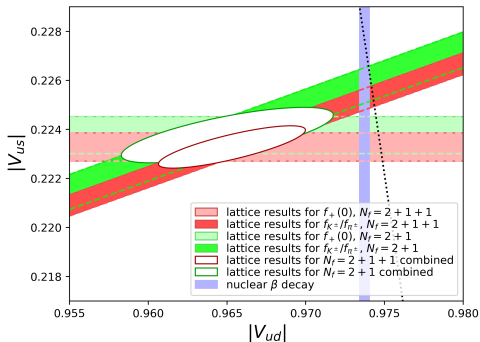
$$V_{CKM} = \begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix}$$

Fundamental parameters of the Standard Model: Essential

- A. Complex phase: Matter-antimatter asymmetry of the Universe
- B. Search for new physics by testing unitarity relation:

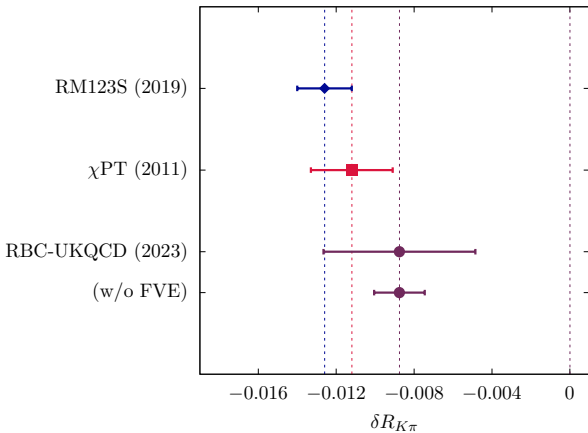
$$1 \stackrel{\text{SM}}{=} |V_{ud}|^2 + |V_{us}|^2 + |V_{ub}|^2$$





- Determine $|V_{ud}|$ and $|V_{us}|$
- Tensions with unitarity?
- Depends on the input!
- **Need to better control theory/exp. uncertainties**

- $|V_{us}/V_{ud}|$ from leptonic decays of pions and kaons
- Precision goal: (Sub-)% level
- Electromagnetism and quark mass differences essential
- Studied in [RM123S 19; RBC/UKQCD(NHT) 23]



RBC-UKQCD(NHT):
 $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0086(39)$

total	(39)
total (w/o FVE)	(13)
statistical	(3)
FVE	(37)
fit	(11)
QED quenching	(5)
discretisation	(5)

χ PT : $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0112(21)$

RM123S 19: $\delta R_{K\pi} = -0.0126(14)$

- ★ Improvement 1: Finite-volume effects
- ★ Improvement 2: Disconnected diagrams

Improvement 1: Finite-volume effects

- Generic effective field theory to derive volume dependence:

$$Y(L) = \underbrace{Y_0 + Y_{\log} \log(m_P L) + \frac{Y_1}{m_P L}}_{[\text{RM123/S 16}]} + \underbrace{\frac{Y_2}{(m_P L)^2} + \frac{Y_3}{(m_P L)^3}}_{[\text{Di Carlo, Hansen, NHT, Portelli 22/23}]} + \dots$$

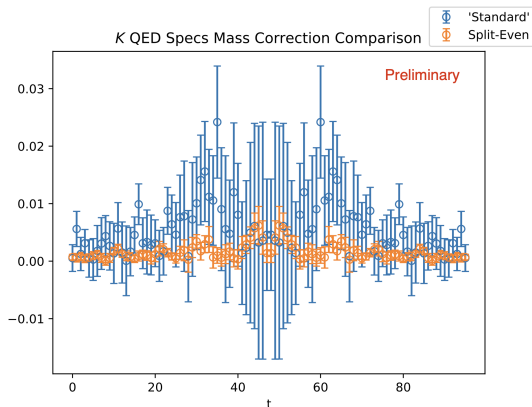
- **Bottleneck:** Y_3 not fully known in QED_L and potentially large
- **Workaround:** New finite-volume electromagnetism
- QED_r [Davoudi et al. 19; Di Carlo, Hansen, NHT, Portelli In prep]

$$\overline{Y}(L) = \overline{Y}_0 + \overline{Y}_{\log} \log(m_P L) + \frac{\overline{Y}_1}{m_P L} + \frac{\overline{Y}_2}{(m_P L)^2} + \underbrace{\frac{\overline{Y}_3}{(m_P L)^3}}_{=0} + \dots$$

- Future use: Electromagnetic corrections in Edinburgh/CERN
and generally applicable

Improvement 2: Disconnected diagrams

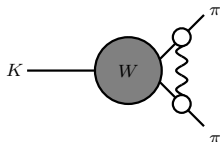
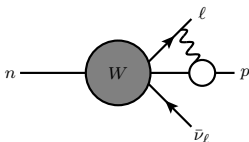
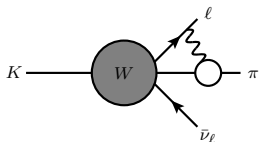
- Disconnected diagrams: General **bottleneck** for lattice calculations
- Notoriously noisy: Algorithmic efforts in Edinburgh [Harris, Hill, Portelli]



- Finite-volume effects in full vs. connected-only theory? [Hansen, NHT, Ungar]

What else lies in the future?

- $|V_{ud}|$ and $|V_{us}|$: Beta decays of kaons and neutrons
- Matter vs antimatter: $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$



- Similar problem for all: Final-state electromagnetic interaction
- Difficult to extract physical information from simulations
- Formal developments: Effective theory techniques and amplitudes

Conclusions and outlook

- Searching for/constraining **new physics** with precision calculations
- Need to understand potential tensions
- Muon $g - 2$: Success story for **Lattice QCD**
- **Lattice QCD** will be an essential tool in the future
- Needs formal and algorithmic developments
- Very important: **Computational DiRAC resources**

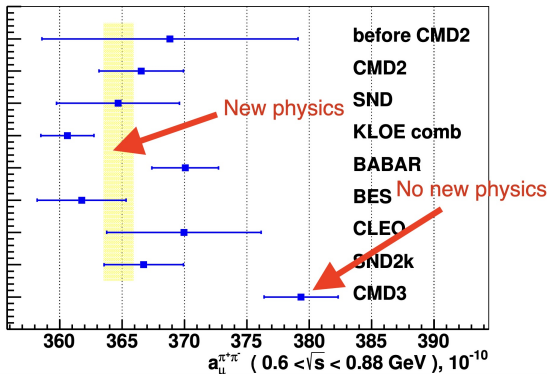
Backup slides

Dispersion theory

- Use experimental data: $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma^* \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$

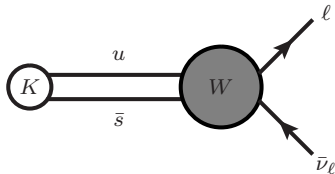


- Muon magnetic moment: Inconsistent data Figure from [CMD3 23]



- Traditional method
- Bottleneck: Need experimental data

- Access $|V_{us}|/|V_{ud}|$ from leptonic kaon/pion decays



$$\underbrace{\Gamma(K^- \rightarrow \mu^- \nu_\mu)}_{\text{Exp.}} \propto |V_{us}|^2 \underbrace{\frac{(m_K^2 - m_\mu^2)^2}{m_K^3}}_{\text{Exp.}} \underbrace{f_K^2 (1 + \delta R_K)}_{\text{Theory}}$$

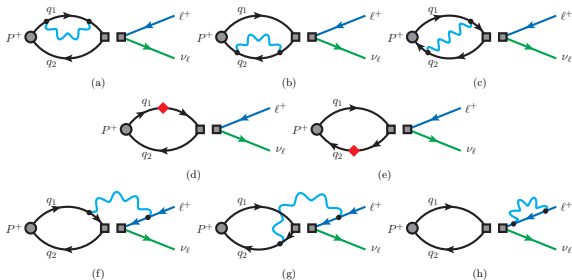
- Combine **experiment** and **theory** (lattice)

$$\frac{|V_{us}|^2}{|V_{ud}|^2} = \frac{\text{Kaon exp.}}{\text{Pion exp.}} \times \frac{f_K^2}{f_\pi^2} (1 + \delta R_K - \delta R_\pi)$$

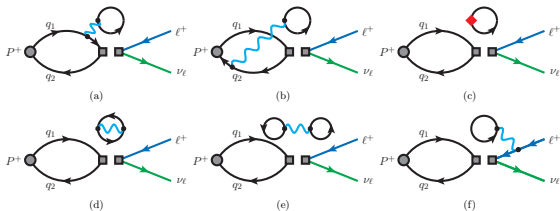
- Isospin-breaking corrections in $\delta R_K - \delta R_\pi$: % level precision

[RM123S 2019; Di Carlo, Hansen, NHT, Portelli 2022; RBC/UKQCD(NHT) 2023]

● Included: Connected



● Excluded: Disconnected



- Correct data with $Y(L)$: $\delta R_P = \delta R_P(L) - Y(L)$

$$Y(L) = \underbrace{Y_0 + Y_{\log} \log(m_P L) + \frac{Y_1}{m_P L}}_{\text{[RM123/S 16]}} + \underbrace{\frac{Y_2}{(m_P L)^2} + \frac{Y_3}{(m_P L)^3}}_{\text{[Di Carlo, Hansen, NHT, Portelli 22/23]}} + \dots$$

- Structure dependent: $1/L^2 + 1/L^3$

$$Y_3 = \frac{32\pi^2 m_P}{f_P(1 - r_\ell^4)} \left\{ c_0(\mathbf{v}_\ell) \left[F_V^P - F_A^P + 2m_P^2 r_\ell^2 F_A^{P'} \right] + c_\ell \right\}$$

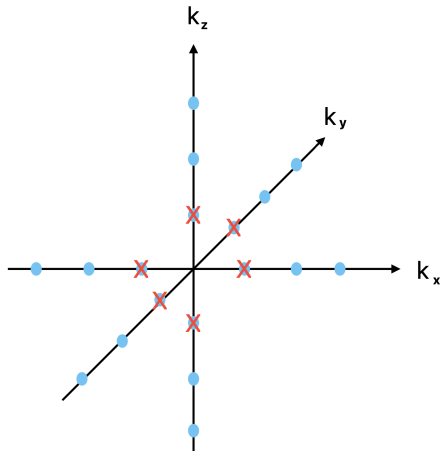
- $F_V^P, F_A^P, F_A^{P'}$ Lattice [RM-123/S 20/22/23, RBC/UKQCD 23], ChPT [Bijnens et al. 92]
- Cannot determine structure dependent c_ℓ : Drove uncertainty
- Known finite-volume coefficients $c_j(\mathbf{v}_\ell)$ at every order
- QED_r: A new finite-volume QED $\bar{c}_0 = 0$ [Di Carlo, Hansen, NHT, Portelli In Prep.]

- FV momentum $\mathbf{k} = \frac{2\pi\mathbf{n}}{L}$
- Play with action [Davoudi et al. 19]

$$D_{\mu\nu}(k) = \delta_{\mu\nu} \frac{1 + w_{|\mathbf{n}|^2}}{k^2}$$

- Why OK? Only care about IV
- QED_r $w_{|\mathbf{n}|^2} = \delta_{|\mathbf{n}|,1}/6$

$$\bar{c}_0 = \underbrace{c_0}_{=-1} + \sum_{|\mathbf{n}|} w_{|\mathbf{n}|^2} = 0$$



$$Y_3 = \frac{32\pi^2 m_P \bar{c}_0(\mathbf{v}_\ell)}{f_P(1 - r_\ell^4)} \left[F_V^P - F_A^P + 2m_P^2 r_\ell^2 F_A^{P'} \right]$$

Figure references

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