

# Study of the hadronic contribution to the running of the QED coupling

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# $\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}$

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- ▶ vacuum polarisation: charge screening  $\rightsquigarrow$  running of QED coupling
- ▶ Standard Model (SM) precision tests and sensitivity to new physics requires precise knowledge of  $\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}(Q^2)$ : input parameter of SM

▶  $\alpha = 1/137.035999074(44)$  [0.3 ppb] [PDG, 2013]

▶  $\alpha(M_Z^2) = 1/128.952(14)$   $[10^{-4}]$   $\rightsquigarrow$   $10^5$  less accurate ...

[M. Davier et al., 1010.4180]

- ▶ uncertainty in  $\alpha(M_Z^2)$  is significantly larger than that of  $M_Z$
- ▶ **hadronic effects**:  $\alpha(Q^2)$  depends strongly on  $Q^2$  at low energies  
hadronic uncertainties propagate ...



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$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}(Q^2) = 4\pi\alpha \left( \Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0) \right)$$

- ▶ Adler function  $D(Q^2)$ :

$$\frac{D(Q^2)}{Q^2} = 12\pi^2 \frac{d\Pi(q^2)}{dq^2}$$

$$= -\frac{3\pi}{\alpha} \frac{d}{dq^2} \Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}(q^2)$$

$$Q^2 = -q^2$$

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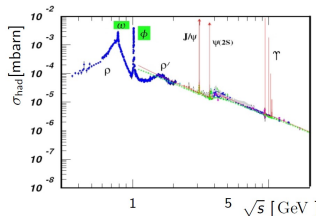
- ▶ the VPF  $\Pi(Q^2)$  and the Adler function  $D(Q^2) \rightsquigarrow \Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}(Q^2)$  and  $\sigma_{\mu}^{\text{had}}[\text{LO}]$
- ▶ phenomenological approach :

dispersion relation + optical theorem + ( $e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$ ) cross section

$$\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}(Q^2) = -\frac{\alpha Q^2}{3\pi} \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds' \frac{R_{\text{had}}(s')}{s'(s' - Q^2)}$$

compared to  $\sigma_{\mu}^{\text{had}}[\text{LO}]$ , low-energy regions contribute **less**

theoretical prediction that relies on experimental data

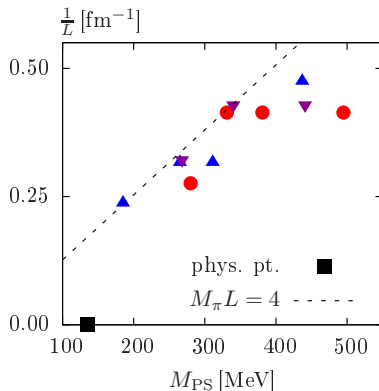
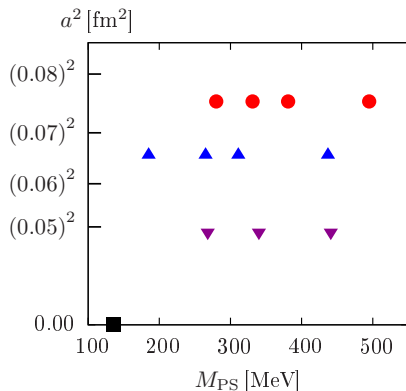


- ▶ lattice QCD

# lattice setup

► [Mainz, 1112.2894]

[talk by Hanno Horch]



$N_f = 2$   $\mathcal{O}(a)$  improved Wilson fermions [CLS]

strange and charm are quenched :  $s_q, c_q$

only quark-connected contributions

increased statistics

1000 ÷ 4000 meas. per ensemble

scale from  $f_K$  [ALPHA, 1205.5380]

# lattice VPF

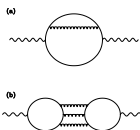
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$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}(\hat{Q}) = a^4 \sum_x e^{i\hat{Q}(x + a\hat{\mu}/2)} \langle J_{\mu}^{(\text{ps})}(x) J_{\nu}^{(l)}(0) \rangle \rightsquigarrow \Pi(\hat{Q}^2)$$



$$\hat{Q}_{\mu} = \frac{2}{a} \sin\left(\frac{a\hat{Q}_{\mu}}{2}\right)$$

# Adler function

the Adler function  $D(Q^2)$  is related to the vacuum polarization by

$$D(Q^2) = 12 \pi^2 Q^2 \frac{d\Pi(Q^2)}{dQ^2}$$

compute the Adler function :

► analytic derivative:

fit a function to  $\Pi(Q^2)$  and compute its derivative

Padé ansatz :

$$\Pi_{fit}(Q^2) = \Pi(0) + Q^2 \left( \frac{p_1}{p_2 + Q^2} + \frac{p_3}{p_4 + Q^2} \right)$$

$$Q^2 \frac{d}{dQ^2} \Pi_{fit}(Q^2) = Q^2 \left( \frac{p_1 p_2}{(p_2 + Q^2)^2} + \frac{p_3 p_4}{(p_4 + Q^2)^2} \right)$$

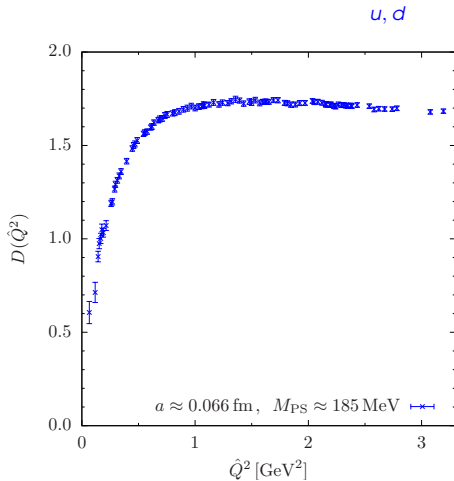
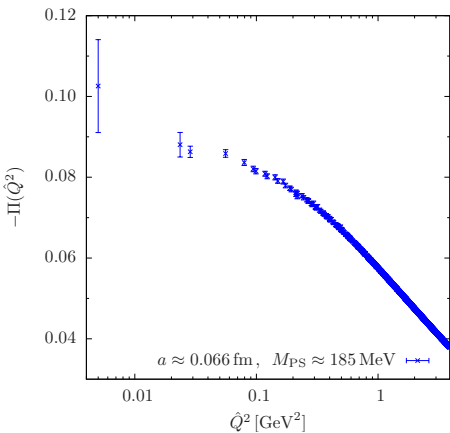
► numerical derivative:

apply linear or quadratic fits of varying ranges to determine the derivative of  $\Pi(Q^2)$



# Adler function : numerical derivative

$$D(Q^2) = 12 \pi^2 \frac{d\Pi(Q^2)}{d \log Q^2}$$



# Adler function : combined fit

Adler function:

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► fit form :

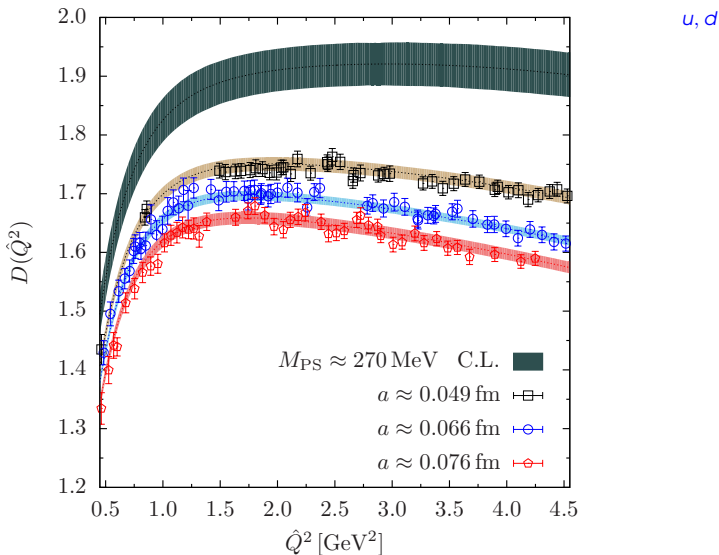
$$D(Q^2) = \text{Padé}(Q^2) [1 + \text{discr.} + \text{mass}] ,$$

$$D(Q^2) = Q^2 \left( \frac{p_1}{(p_2 + Q^2)^2} + \frac{p_3}{(p_4 + Q^2)^2} \right) \times \\ \left[ 1 + (d_1 a + d_2 |aQ|) + \left( \frac{c_1}{Q^2} \right) (M_{\text{PS}}^2 - M_\pi^2) + \left( \frac{c_2}{Q^4} \right) (M_{\text{PS}}^2 - M_\pi^2)^2 \right]$$

- consider 11 ensembles with different  $a$ ,  $M_{\text{PS}}$
- consider also variations over these fit forms
- $(u, d)$ ,  $s_g$  and  $c_g$

# Adler function : combined fit $Q^2 \in [0.5, 4.5] \text{ GeV}^2$

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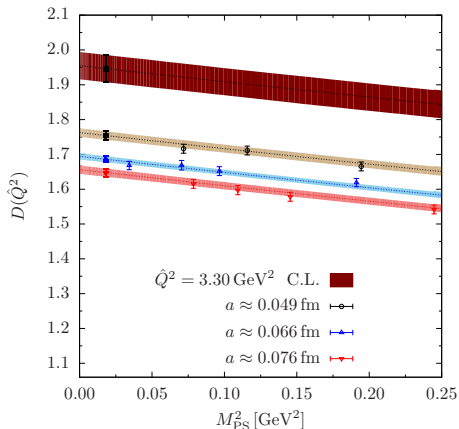
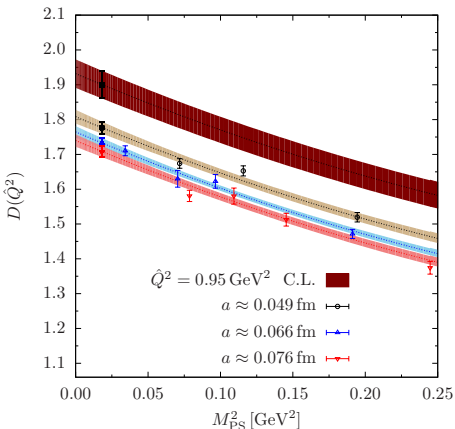


Padé [1,2] with  $O(a)$  lattice artefacts and quadratic form in  $M_{\text{PS}}^2$   $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f} = 0.93$

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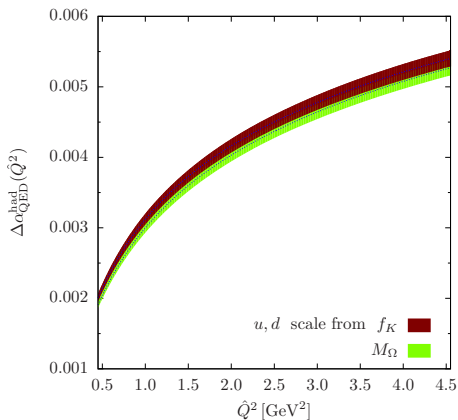
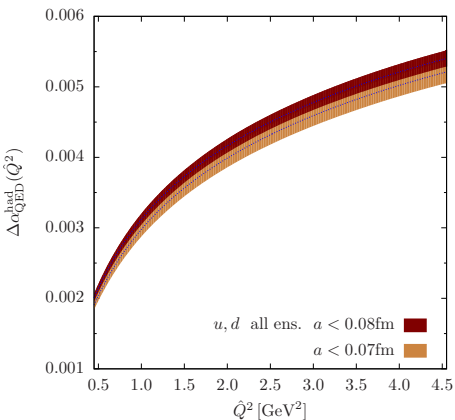


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$u, d$ ;  $a \rightarrow 0$ ;  $M_{\pi}^{\text{phys}}$

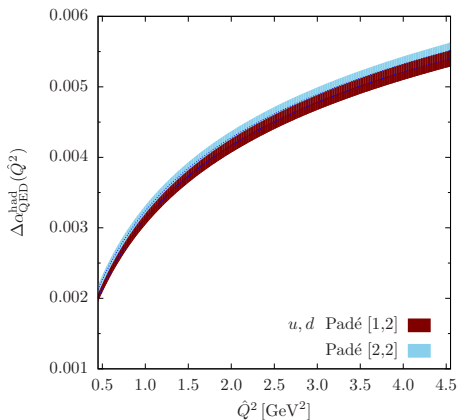
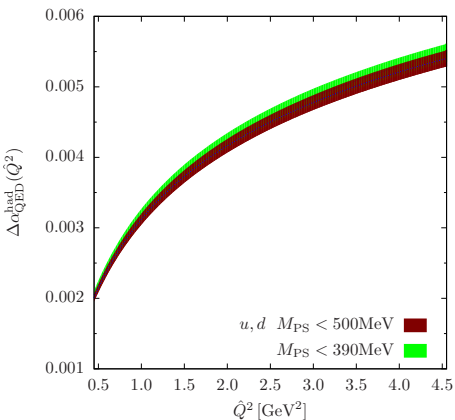


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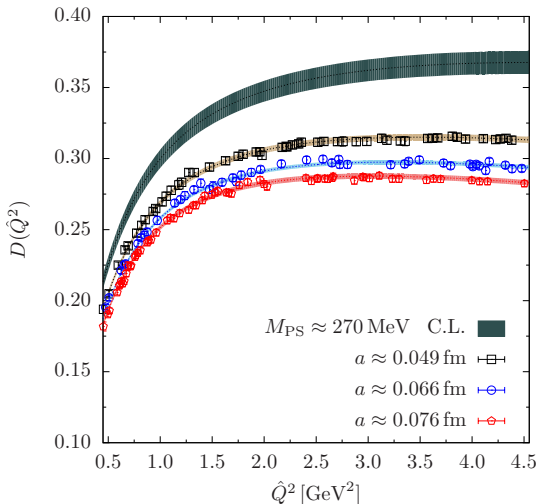
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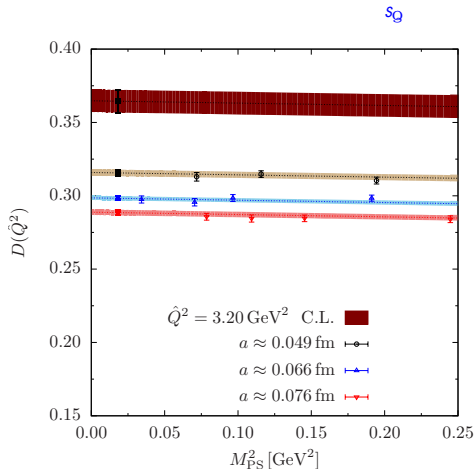
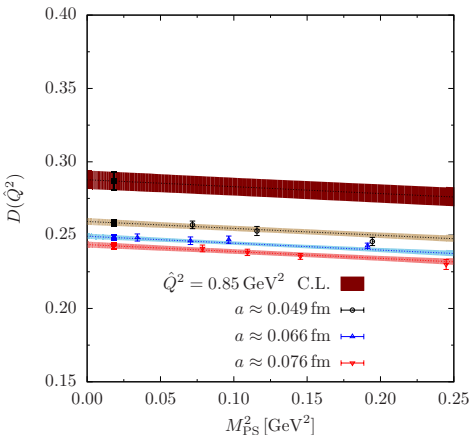
$s_{\text{Q}}$

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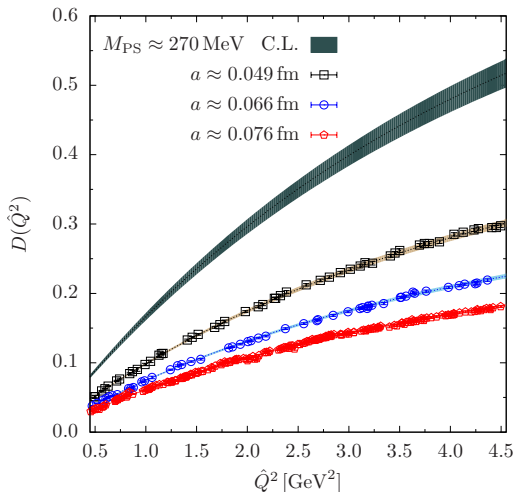
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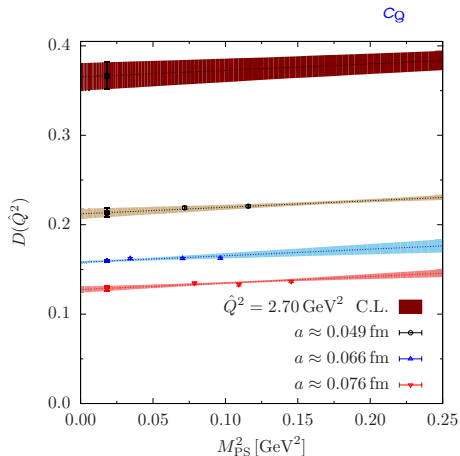
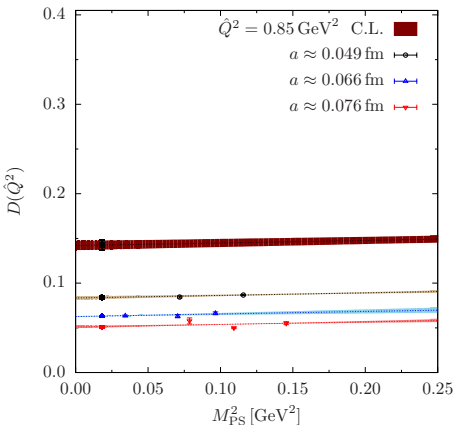
$c_g$

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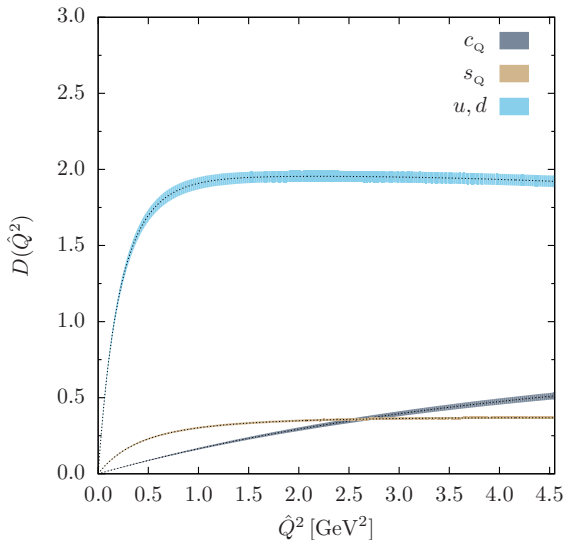
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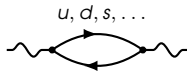
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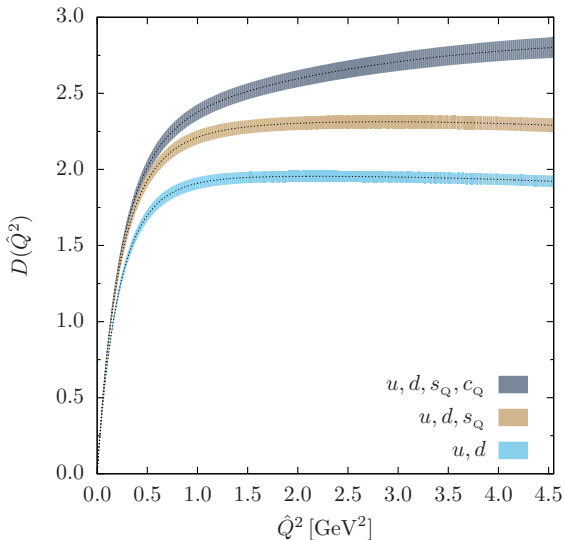
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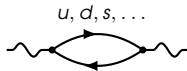
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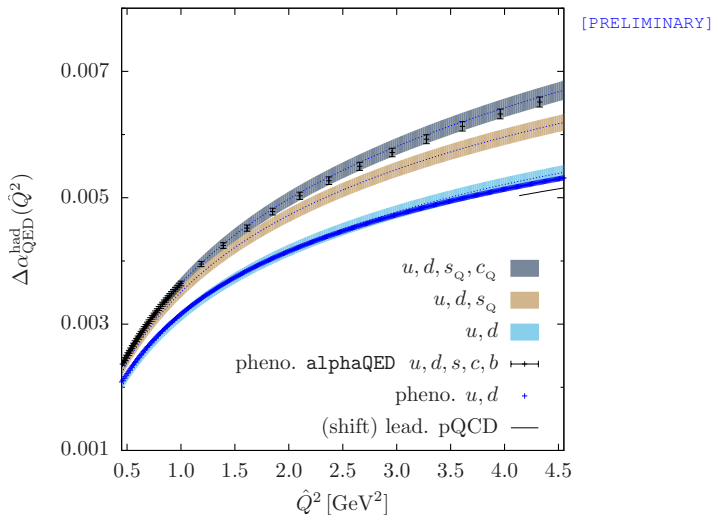


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# running QED coupling: $\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}(Q^2)$

$$\alpha(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}(Q^2)}$$



pheno.  $u, d$ : [\[Bernecker & Meyer, 1107.4388\]](#)  
 pheno.  $u, d, s, c, b$ : [\[alphaQED package, F. Jegerlehner\]](#)  
 see also lattice  $u, d, s, c$ : [\[ETMC, 1505.03283\]](#)

$$\Delta^{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2)$$

$$\sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2) = \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2 = 0) \left( 1 - \Delta \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2) \right)$$

$$\text{with } \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2 = 0) = \alpha / \alpha_2 = 0.23871(9)$$

[Kumar et al., 1302.6293]

- ▶ LO hadronic contribution to the  $SU(2)_L$  coupling  $\alpha_2$



- ▶  $\Delta^{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2) = \Delta \alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}(Q^2) - \Delta \alpha_2^{\text{had}}(Q^2)$

- ▶ for instance,  $(u, d)$  contribution :

$$\Delta_{ud}^{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2) = \Delta^{ud} \alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}(Q^2) \left( 1 - \frac{9}{20} \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha} \right)$$

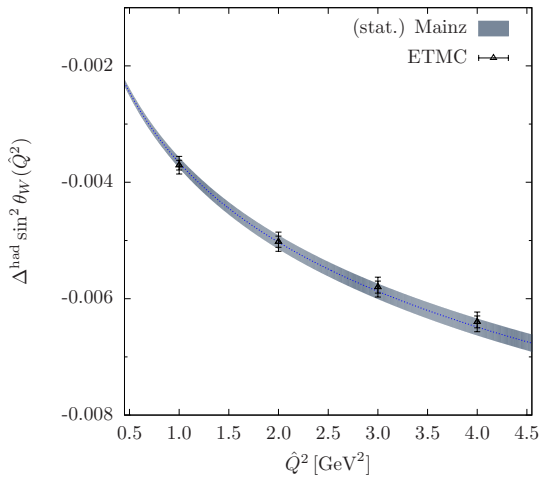
[ETMC, 1505.03283]

[talk by Vera Gülpers: Wed., 15h]

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$u, d, s, c, g$

[PRELIMINARY]



$u, d, s, c$ : [ETMC, 1505.03283]

# conclusions

- ▶ lattice determination of the LO hadronic contribution to the running of the QED coupling and of  $\sin^2 \theta_W$
- ▶ Adler function:  $\rightsquigarrow \Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}(\mathcal{Q}^2), \Delta^{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(\mathcal{Q}^2), \alpha_s, \alpha_\mu^{\text{had}}$
- ▶ combination of methods: Adler function, standard VPF and “mixed representation” methods  $\rightsquigarrow \alpha_\mu^{\text{had}}$  [following talk: Hanno Horch]
- ▶  $\Delta^{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(\mathcal{Q}^2)$ : quark-disconnected diagrams [talk by Vera Gülpers: Wed., 15h]





# Lattice VPF

Conserved current

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

Local current

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$\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}^{\text{had}}$ 

$$\alpha(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha}{1 - \Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}(Q^2)}$$

- ▶ Combine experimental data and perturbation theory (PT)

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2) &= \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_0^2)^{\text{exp}} \\ &+ \left[ \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_0^2) \right]^{\text{pQCD}} \\ &+ \left[ \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2) - \Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(-M_Z^2) \right]^{\text{pQCD}}\end{aligned}$$

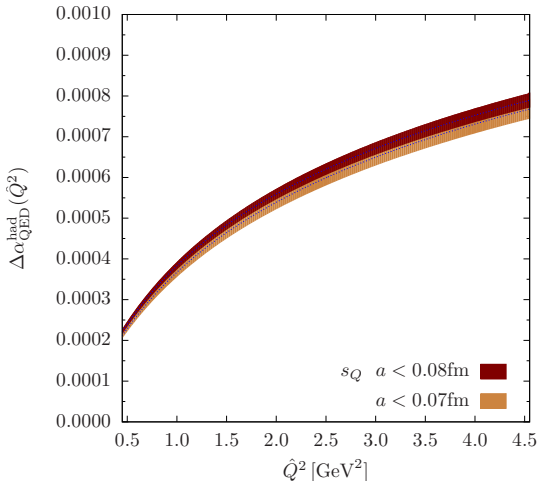
$$M_0^2 = (2.5 \text{ GeV})^2 \approx 6 \text{ GeV}^2$$

- ▶ lattice QCD

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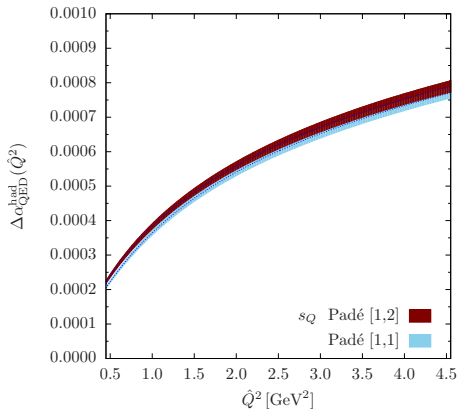
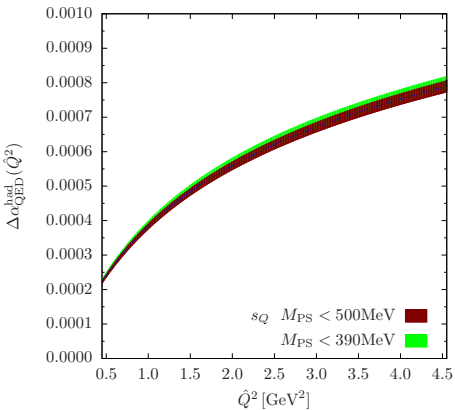


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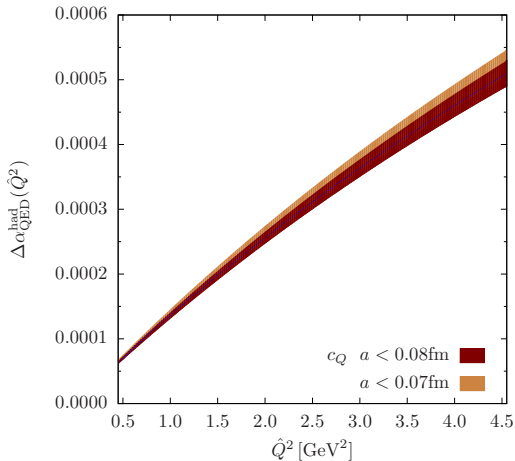
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