

The leading hadronic contribution to γ -Z mixing

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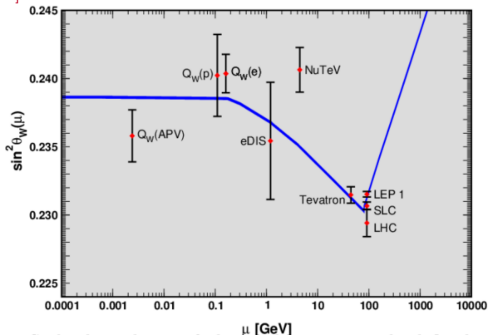


Motivation

- ▶ γ -Z mixing determines the running of the electro-weak mixing angle

$$\sin^2\theta_W(Q^2) = \frac{e^2}{g^2} = \sin^2\theta_0 \left(1 + \Delta \sin^2\theta_W(Q^2) \right)$$

[PDG 2014]



- ▶ **goal:** estimate the hadronic contribution to $\Delta \sin^2\theta_W(Q^2)$ (for small Q^2) in a lattice calculation

Definitions

- ▶ leading hadronic contribution



- ▶ Vacuum polarization

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu}^{\gamma Z}(Q^2) \equiv \int d^4x e^{iQx} \langle j_\mu^Z(x) |_{\text{vector}} j_\nu^\gamma(0) \rangle$$

- ▶ The currents are defined as [F. Jegerlehner, Z. Phys.C - Particles and Fields 32, 195-207(1986)]

$$\begin{aligned} j_\mu^\gamma &= \frac{2}{3} \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{3} \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d - \frac{1}{3} \bar{s} \gamma_\mu s + \frac{2}{3} \bar{c} \gamma_\mu c \\ j_\mu^Z |_{\text{vector}} &= j_\mu^3 |_{\text{vector}} - \sin^2 \theta_W j_\mu^\gamma \\ j_\mu^3 |_{\text{vector}} &= \frac{1}{4} \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u - \frac{1}{4} \bar{d} \gamma_\mu d - \frac{1}{4} \bar{s} \gamma_\mu s + \frac{1}{4} \bar{c} \gamma_\mu c. \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Vacuum polarization

$$\Pi^{\gamma Z}(Q^2) = \Pi^{\gamma 3}(Q^2) - \sin^2 \theta_W \Pi^{\gamma \gamma}(Q^2)$$

$\Pi^{\gamma Z}(Q^2)$ from the time-momentum correlator

- ▶ correlator in time-momentum representation

$$\mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{x}_0) = -\int d^3\mathbf{x} \langle \mathbf{j}_k^Z(\mathbf{x}) |_{\text{vector}} \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{0}) \rangle \quad \text{with } \mathbf{k} = 1, 2, 3$$

- ▶ subtracted vacuum polarization $\Pi_R^{\gamma Z}(Q^2)$ [D. Bernecker and H. Meyer, 1107.4388]

$$\Pi_R^{\gamma Z}(Q^2) \equiv \Pi^{\gamma Z}(Q^2) - \Pi^{\gamma Z}(0) = \int_0^\infty dx_0 \mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{x}_0) \left[x_0^2 - \frac{4}{Q^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2} Q x_0\right) \right]$$

- ▶ hadronic contribution to the running of the Weinberg angle [F. Jegerlehner, 1107.4683]

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2) &= -e^2 \Pi_R^{\gamma\gamma}(Q^2) + g^2 \Pi_R^{\gamma Z}(Q^2) \\ &= \frac{e^2}{\sin^2 \theta_0} \Pi_R^{\gamma Z}(Q^2) \end{aligned}$$

The correlator $\mathbf{G}^{\gamma^Z}(\mathbf{t})$

- ▶ the correlator $\mathbf{G}^{\gamma^Z}(\mathbf{Q}^2)$ for four quark flavors is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{G}^{\gamma^Z}(\mathbf{x}_0) &= -\int d^3\mathbf{x} \langle \mathbf{j}_k^Z(\mathbf{x}) |_{\text{vector}} \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{0}) \rangle \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5}{9} \sin^2\theta_W \right) \mathbf{G}^\ell(\mathbf{x}_0) + \left(\frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{9} \sin^2\theta_W \right) \mathbf{G}^s(\mathbf{x}_0) + \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{4}{9} \sin^2\theta_W \right) \mathbf{G}^c(\mathbf{x}_0) \\ &\quad + \text{disconnected}\end{aligned}$$

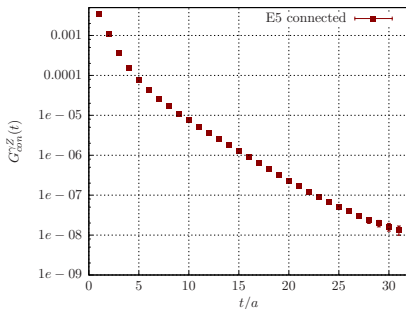


- ▶ connected correlators

$$\mathbf{G}^\ell(\mathbf{x}_0) \equiv \sum_{\vec{x}} \left\langle \text{Tr} \left[\mathbf{D}_\ell^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{0}) \gamma_k \mathbf{D}_\ell^{-1}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{x}) \gamma_k \right] \right\rangle_{\mathbf{G}}$$

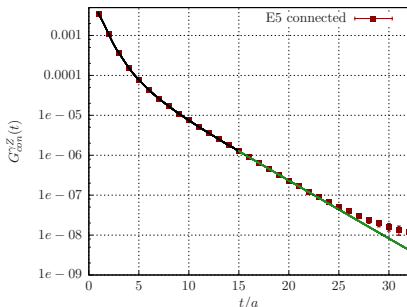
Results connected correlator $G_{\text{con}}^{\gamma Z}(t)$

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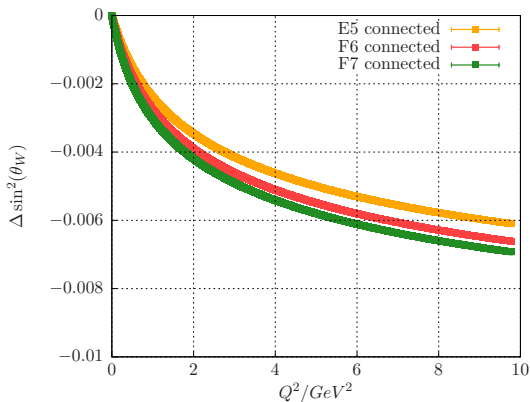
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- ▶ single exponential fit for every flavor for large $\mathbf{t} \geq 15 \approx 1$ fm
- ▶ cubic splines for small \mathbf{t}

connected contribution to $\Delta_{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2)$

| β | $a[\text{fm}]$ | lattice | $m_\pi[\text{MeV}]$ | $m_\pi L$ | Label | N_{cnfg} |
|------------|----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|-------|-------------------|
| 5.3 | 0.063 | 64×32^3 | 455 | 4.7 | E5 | 1000 |
| 5.3 | 0.063 | 96×48^3 | 325 | 5.0 | F6 | 300 |
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disconnected contribution to the correlator $\mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{t})$

- ▶ the disconnected contribution to $\mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{Q}^2)$ is given by (neglecting charm)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{x}_0) &\equiv -\int d^3\mathbf{x} \langle \mathbf{j}_k^Z(\mathbf{x}) |_{\text{vector}} \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{0}) \rangle_{\text{disc}} \\ &= \sin^2\theta_W \frac{1}{9} \mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}(\mathbf{x}_0)\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ disconnected correlator can be written as

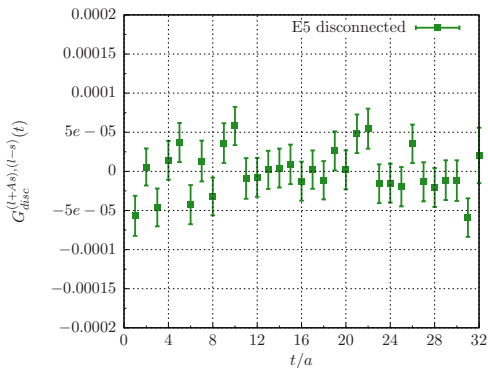
$$\mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}(\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{y}_0) = \frac{Z_V^2}{L^3} \left\langle \left(\sum_{\vec{x}} \text{Tr} \left[\gamma_k \mathbf{D}_\ell^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{A} \gamma_k \mathbf{D}_s^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) \right] \right) \times \right. \\ \left. \left(\sum_{\vec{y}} \text{Tr} \left[\gamma_k \mathbf{D}_\ell^{-1}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}) - \gamma_k \mathbf{D}_s^{-1}(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{y}) \right] \right) \right\rangle$$

with $\mathbf{A} = \frac{3}{4 \sin^2\theta_W} - \mathbf{1}$

- ▶ difference of light and strange propagator at source \mathbf{y}
- ▶ **idea:** calculate light- and strange propagator with the same stochastic sources to cancel stochastic noise

disconnected correlator $G_{\text{disc}}^{\gamma Z}(t)$

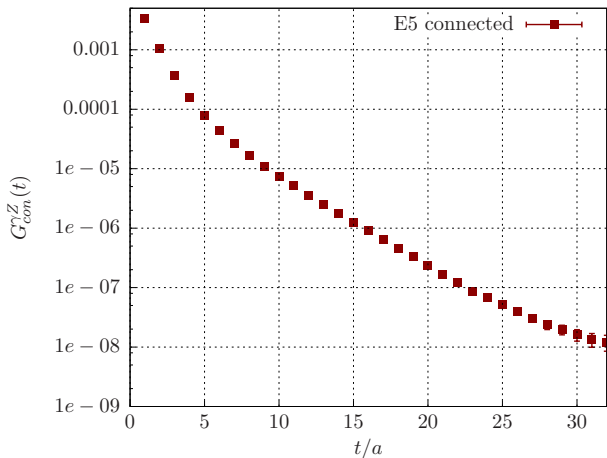
- ▶ all-to-all propagator with **3** stochastic sources and generalized hopping parameter expansion [G. Bali et al., 0910.3970; V. G. et al., 1309.2104]
- ▶ 64×32^3 lattice with $m_\pi \approx 455$ MeV and $a = 0.063$ fm



- ▶ $G_{\text{disc}}^{(l+As), (l-s)}(t)$ consistent with zero

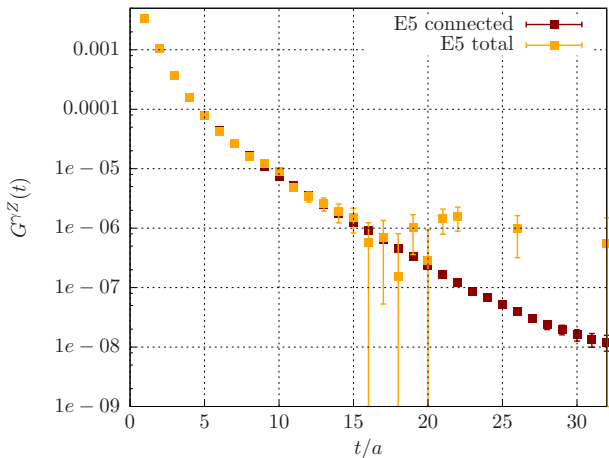
The total correlator $G^{\gamma Z}(t)$

$$\blacktriangleright G^{\gamma Z}(t) = G_{\text{con}}^{\gamma Z}(t) + \sin^2 \theta_W \frac{1}{9} G_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}(t)$$



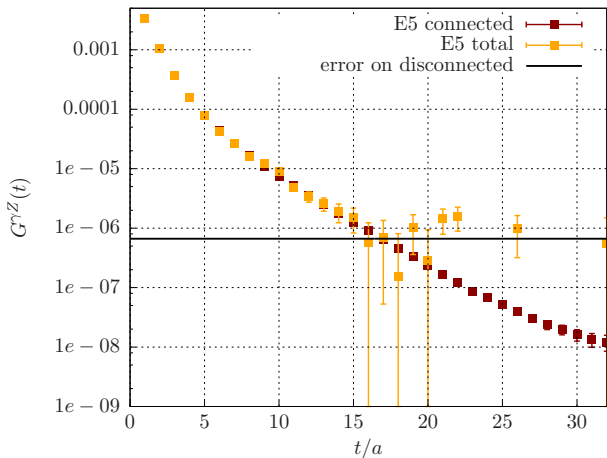
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- \blacktriangleright for $t \gtrsim 16a \approx 1$ fm the total correlator is dominated by the error on the disconnected contribution

The correlator $\mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{t})$ for large Euclidean times I

- ▶ [A. Francis et al., 1306.2532] split the currents \mathbf{j}_μ^γ and \mathbf{j}_μ^Z into isoscalar and isovector piece
- ▶ correlator (with isospin symmetry)

$$\mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{G}^{I=0}(\mathbf{t}) + \mathbf{G}^{I=1}(\mathbf{t}) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{G}^I(\mathbf{t}) = -\int d^3\mathbf{x} \langle \mathbf{j}_\mathbf{k}^{Z,I}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{j}_\mathbf{k}^{\gamma,I}(\mathbf{0}) \rangle$$

- ▶ isoscalar correlator

$$\mathbf{G}^{I=0} = -\sin^2\theta_W \frac{1}{18} \mathbf{G}^\ell + \left(\frac{1}{12} - \sin^2\theta_W \frac{1}{9} \right) \mathbf{G}^s + \left(\frac{1}{6} - \sin^2\theta_W \frac{4}{9} \right) \mathbf{G}^c + \sin^2\theta_W \frac{1}{9} \mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}$$

- ▶ spectral representation

$$\mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{t}) = \int_0^\infty d\omega \omega^2 \rho^{\gamma Z}(\omega) e^{-\omega|\mathbf{t}|} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \rho^{\gamma Z}(\omega) = \rho^{I=0}(\omega) + \rho^{I=1}(\omega)$$

spectral density $\rho^{\gamma Z}(\omega)$

- ▶ lowest isovector and isoscalar state

$$\rho^{I=1}(\omega) = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \omega < 2m_\pi$$

$$\rho^{I=0}(\omega) = 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \omega < 3m_\pi$$

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- ▶ for large times we find for the disconnected correlator

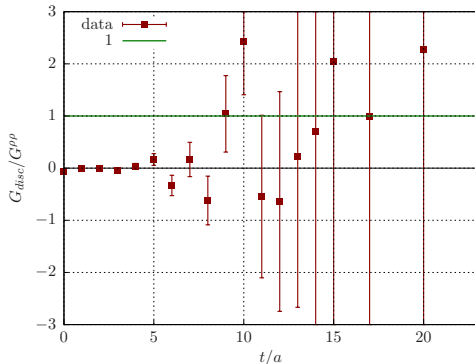
$$\mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}(\mathbf{t}) \longrightarrow \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{G}^\ell(\mathbf{t}) = \mathbf{G}^{\rho\rho}(\mathbf{t}) \quad \text{for } \mathbf{t} \rightarrow \infty$$

- ▶ ratio of disconnected and ρ correlator

$$\frac{\mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}(\mathbf{t})}{\mathbf{G}^{\rho\rho}(\mathbf{t})} \longrightarrow 1 \quad \text{for } \mathbf{t} \rightarrow \infty$$

The ratio of $G_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}$ and $G^{\rho\rho}(t)$

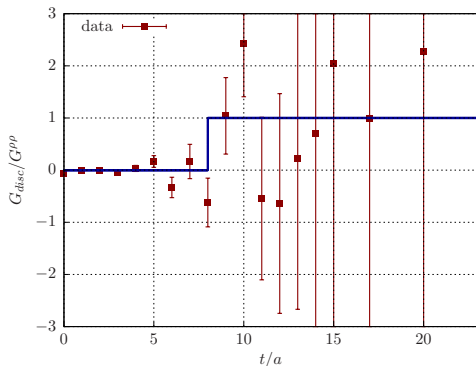
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- ▶ up to $t \approx 8a$ we can distinguish the ratio from 1
- ▶ **idea:** use $G_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}(t)/G^{\rho\rho}(t) = 1$ for $t > 8$ to give an upper bound for the magnitude of the disconnected contribution

$\Pi^{\gamma Z}(Q^2)$ with disconnected estimate

$$\Pi_R^{\gamma Z}(Q^2) \equiv \Pi^{\gamma Z}(Q^2) - \Pi^{\gamma Z}(0) = \int_0^\infty dt \mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(t) \left[t^2 - \frac{4}{Q^2} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{2}Qt\right) \right]$$

- ▶ for $t \leq 8a$, the correlator is well described by the connected part

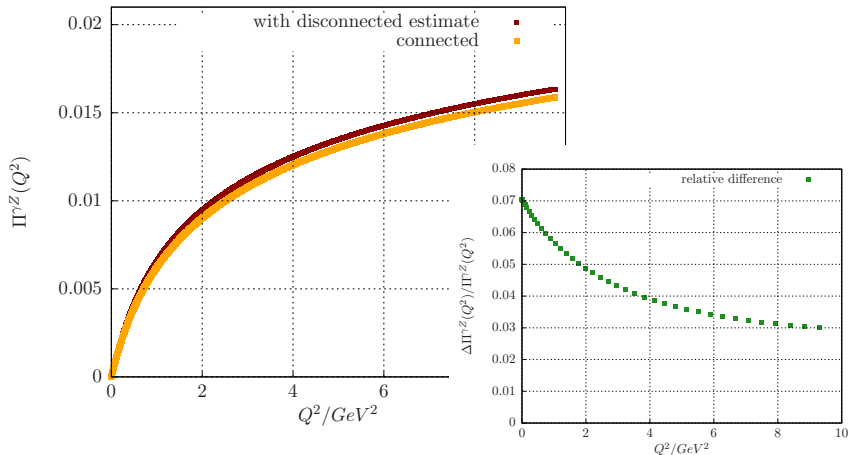
$$\mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(t) = \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5}{9} \sin^2\theta_W \right) \mathbf{G}^\ell(t) + \left(\frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{9} \sin^2\theta_W \right) \mathbf{G}^s(t) + \left(\frac{1}{6} - \frac{4}{9} \sin^2\theta_W \right) \mathbf{G}^c(t)$$

- ▶ for $t > 8a$ we use $\mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell+As),(\ell-s)}(t) / \mathbf{G}^{\rho\rho}(t) = 1$ as upper bound for disconnected part

$$\mathbf{G}^{\gamma Z}(t) = \mathbf{G}_{\text{con}}^{\gamma Z}(t) + \sin^2\theta_W \frac{1}{9} \mathbf{G}^{\rho\rho}(t)$$

- ▶ give an upper bound for the magnitude of the disconnected contribution to $\Delta_{\text{had}} \sin^2\theta_W(Q^2)$

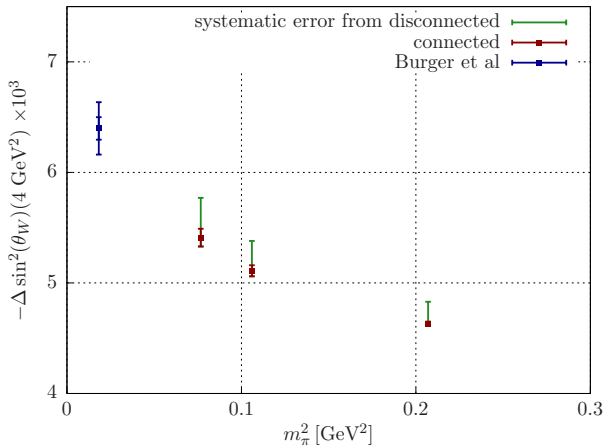
$\Pi^{\gamma Z}(Q^2)$ with disconnected estimate



- ▶ difference can be used as a conservative estimate for systematic error from neglecting the disconnected contribution
- ▶ at $Q^2 \approx 4 \text{ GeV}^2$ maximum disconnected contribution $\approx 4\%$

chiral behavior of $\Delta_{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2)$

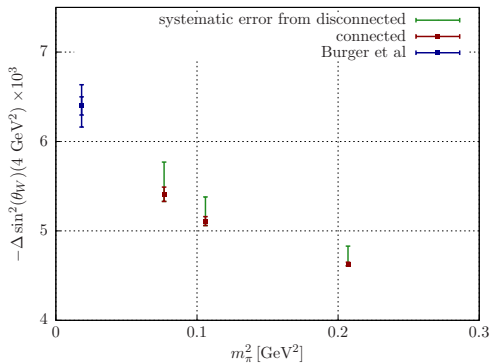
- ▶ three different pion masses
- ▶ $\Delta_{\text{had}} \sin^2 \theta_W(Q^2)$ at $Q^2 = 4 \text{ GeV}^2$



- ▶ [Burger et al. [arXiv:1505.03283](https://arxiv.org/abs/1505.03283)] connected diagrams only

Summary

- ▶ leading hadronic contribution to the running of $\sin^2\theta_W$ using the time-momentum correlator
- ▶ connected and disconnected contribution to the correlator
- ▶ disconnected contribution consistent with zero
- ▶ use asymptotic behavior of correlator to give a conservative upper bound for the disconnected contribution



Backup

the mixed time-momentum representation method

- ▶ hadronic vacuum polarization

$$\Pi_{kk}(\omega, \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{0}) = \int d^4x e^{i\mathbf{Q}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \langle \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{0}) \rangle = - \int dt e^{i\omega t} \mathbf{G}^{\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{t})$$

- ▶ vector correlator

$$\mathbf{G}^{\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{t}) = - \int d^3x \langle \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{0}) \rangle \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma = \frac{2}{3} \bar{\mathbf{u}} \gamma_k \mathbf{u} - \frac{1}{3} \bar{\mathbf{d}} \gamma_k \mathbf{d} + \dots$$

- ▶ tensor structure of the vacuum polarization

$$\Pi_{kk}(\omega, \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{0}) = (\mathbf{Q}_k \mathbf{Q}_k - \delta_{kk} Q^2) \Pi(Q^2) \quad Q^2 \equiv \omega^2 \quad -\omega^2 \Pi(\omega^2)$$

- ▶ subtracted vacuum polarization after Taylor expansion at $Q^2 = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\Pi}(\omega^2) &= 4\pi^2 [\Pi(\omega^2) - \Pi(0)] = 4\pi^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \mathbf{G}^{\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{t}) \left[\frac{e^{-i\omega t} - 1}{\omega^2} + \frac{t^2}{2} \right] \\ &= 4\pi^2 \int_0^{\infty} dt \mathbf{G}^{\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{t}) \left[t^2 - \frac{4}{\omega^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} \omega t \right) \right] \end{aligned}$$

generalized Hopping Parameter Expansion

cf. [Bali et al. arXiv:0910.3970]

- ▶ $\mathcal{O}(\mathbf{a})$ -improved Wilson-Dirac operator

$$\mathbf{D}_{\text{sw}} = \frac{1}{2\kappa} \mathbb{1} + \mathbf{c}_{\text{sw}} \mathbf{B} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{A} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{A} \left(\mathbb{1} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{H} \right)$$

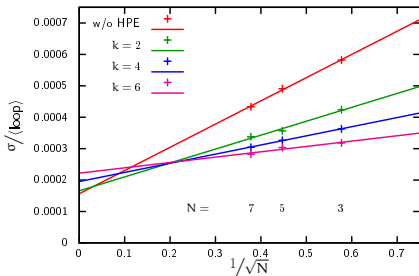
- ▶ generalized hopping parameter expansion

$$\mathbf{D}_{\text{sw}}^{-1} = \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{H} \right)^i \mathbf{A}^{-1} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{H} \right)^k \mathbf{D}_{\text{sw}}^{-1}$$

- ▶ $\mathbf{D}_{\text{sw}}^{-1}$ on the right hand side estimated using stochastic sources

$$\langle \text{loop} \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{\vec{x}} \text{Tr} \left(\mathbf{D}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}) \right) \right\rangle_{\mathbf{G}}$$

- ▶ choose $\mathbf{N} = 3$ sources with order $k = 6$ of the generalized HPE



Isoscalar and Isovector part of the currents

- ▶ split the currents into $I = 1$ and $I = 0$ part
- ▶ $\mathbf{j}_k^Z(\mathbf{x})|_{\text{vector}} = \mathbf{j}_k^3(\mathbf{x})|_{\text{vector}} - \sin^2\theta_W \mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{x})$

$$\mathbf{j}_k^3(\mathbf{x})|_{\text{vector}} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} (\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d)}_{I=1} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} \bar{s}\gamma_\mu s + \frac{1}{4} \bar{c}\gamma_\mu c}_{I=0}$$

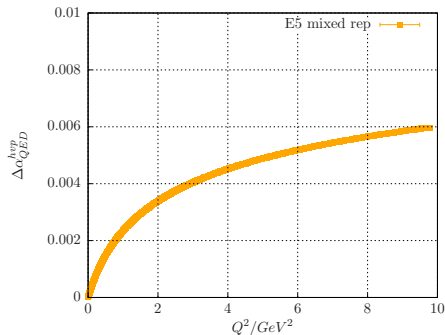
$$\mathbf{j}_k^\gamma(\mathbf{x}) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} (\bar{u}\gamma_\mu u - \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d)}_{I=1, \mathbf{j}_k^\rho} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{6} \bar{u}\gamma_\mu u + \frac{1}{6} \bar{d}\gamma_\mu d - \frac{1}{3} \bar{s}\gamma_\mu s + \frac{2}{3} \bar{c}\gamma_\mu c}_{I=0}$$

- ▶ ρ -correlator

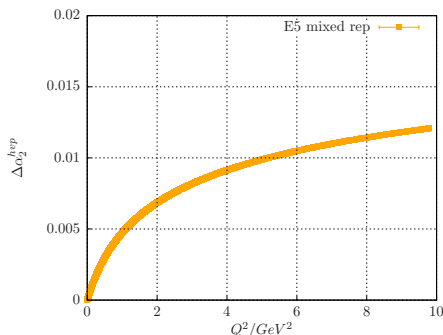
$$\mathbf{G}^{\rho\rho}(\mathbf{x}_0) = -\int d^3\mathbf{x} \langle \mathbf{j}_k^\rho(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{j}_k^\rho(\mathbf{0}) \rangle$$

connected contribution to $\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}$ and $\Delta\alpha_2$

$$\blacktriangleright \Delta_{\text{had}}\alpha_{\text{QED}} = -e^2 \Pi_{\text{R}}^{\gamma\gamma}(Q^2)$$



$$\blacktriangleright \Delta_{\text{had}}\alpha_2 = -g^2 \Pi_{\text{R}}^{\gamma^3}(Q^2)$$



$$\blacktriangleright \Delta_{\text{had}}\sin^2\theta_{\text{W}}(Q^2) = \Delta_{\text{had}}\alpha_{\text{QED}} - \Delta_{\text{had}}\alpha_2$$

disconnected contribution to $\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}$ and $\Delta\alpha_2$

- ▶ separate correlators for α_{QED} and α_2

$$\mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{\gamma Z}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{\gamma 3}(\mathbf{x}_0) - \sin^2\theta_W \mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

- ▶ disconnected correlator for $\Delta\alpha_{\text{QED}}$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{\gamma\gamma}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \frac{1}{9} \mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{(\ell-s),(\ell-s)}(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

→ cancellation on both sides

- ▶ disconnected correlator for $\Delta\alpha_2$

$$\mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{\gamma 3}(\mathbf{x}_0) = \frac{1}{12} \mathbf{G}_{\text{disc}}^{s,(\ell-s)}(\mathbf{x}_0)$$

→ no light-light disconnected contribution

