

Hadronic vacuum polarization from step scaling in the Schwinger model

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HVP in the M_Z^2 range

The Adler function

- HVP: Observable for calculating hadronic contributions to α_{em}

$$\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(Q_{\min}^2) = \sum_t \left(\frac{e^{iQt} - 1}{Q^2} + \frac{t^2}{2} \right) c(t)$$

$$c(t) = \sum_{\vec{x}} \langle j_i(\vec{0}, 0) j_i(\vec{x}, t) \rangle \quad (i \text{ fixed})$$

- Unlike the HVP the Adler function does not depend on the lower energy scale

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

Discrete Adler function

- Adler function uses continuous momenta
 \Rightarrow Replace with $\Delta(Q^2) = \Pi(4Q^2) - \Pi(Q^2)$
- Zero momentum subtraction in the HVP not necessary

$$\Pi(Q^2) = \sum_t \frac{e^{iQt}}{Q^2} c(t)$$

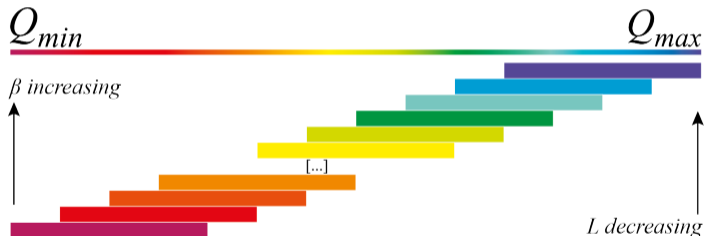
- Use diagonal momenta to get rid of zero modes and increase the energy range

$$c(t, x) = \frac{1}{2} (c_{\hat{t}\hat{t}}(t, x) - c_{\hat{t}\hat{x}}(t, x) - c_{\hat{x}\hat{t}}(t, x) + c_{\hat{x}\hat{x}}(t, x))$$

$$\Pi(Q^2) = \sum_{t,x} \frac{e^{iQ(t+x)}}{2Q^2} c(t, x)$$

Strategy

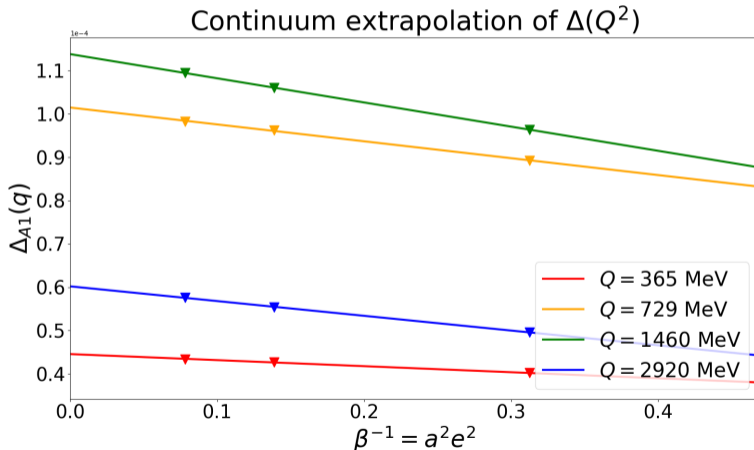
- Cover the whole energy range $[0, M_Z]$ with different lattices
- Compute the Adler function on every lattice
- Reconstruct the HVP from the Adler function



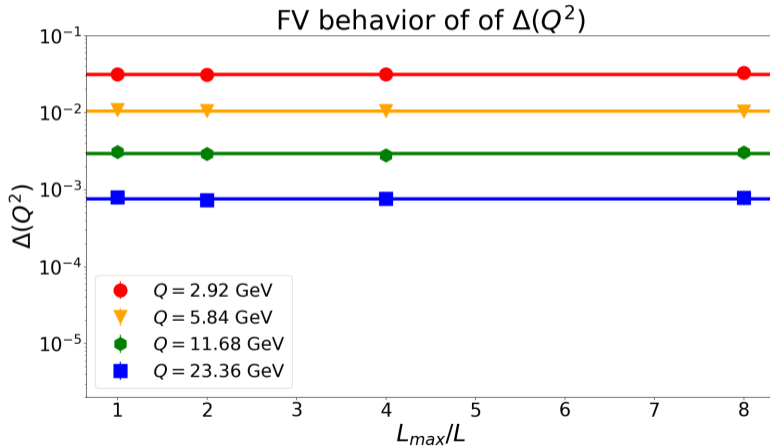
$$\Pi(Q_{max}^2) - \Pi(Q_{min}^2) =$$

$$[\Pi(Q_{max}^2) - \Pi(Q_{max}^4/2)] + [\Pi(Q_{max}^2/4) - \Pi(Q_{max}^2/16)] + \dots + [\Pi(Q_{max}/2^{2n}) - \Pi(Q_{min}^2)]$$

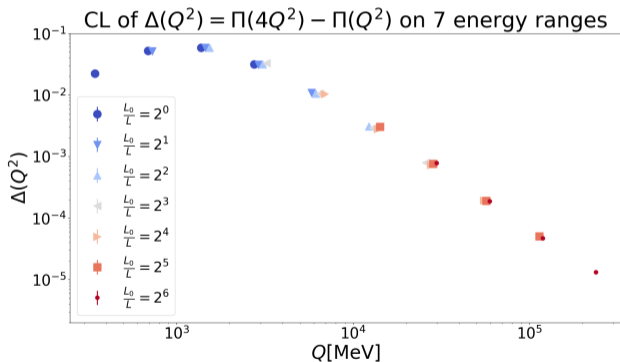
Discretization and FV effects



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$\Delta(Q^2)$ on different scales and HVP value preliminary



Schwinger model results:

$\Delta\alpha_{had}(M_Z = 39.2M_\rho) \simeq 0.18$ with a statistical error of below 1%



Estimation of LCP with the Adler function

Step scaling in the Schwinger model

- The parameters for the next energy range are set with step scaling
- Computations are relatively cheap and the exact values for the parameters are known:

$$\beta a^2 \sim const. \quad m \sim const.$$

- We can test a strategy for e.g. QCD

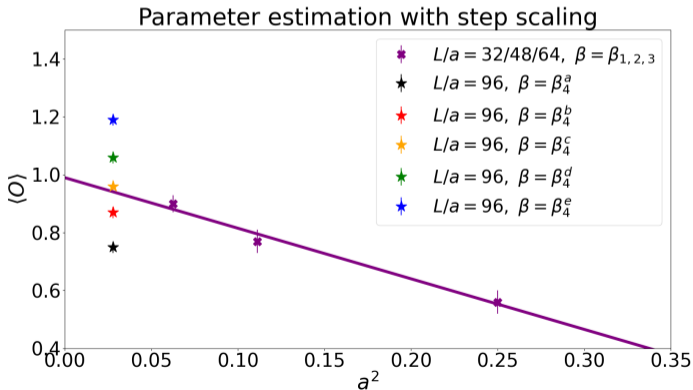


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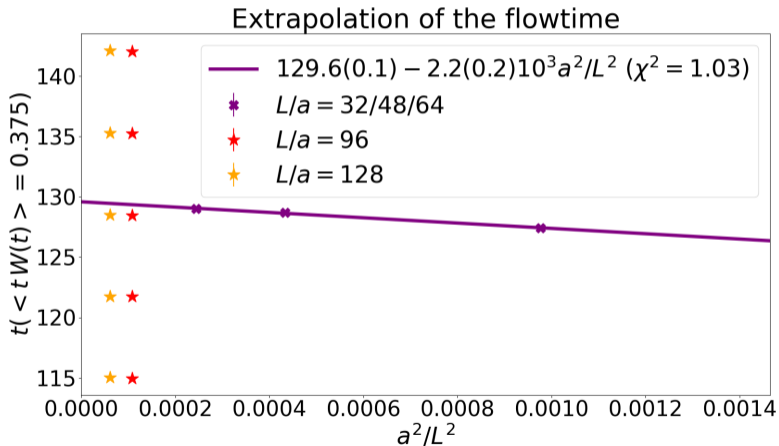
| β_i | ma_i | $L_1/a = L/a$ | $L_2/a = 2^{-1}L/a$ | $L_3/a = 2^{-2}L/a$ | ... |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----|
| $\beta_1 = 3.2$ | $ma_1 = 0.5$ | 32 | | | |
| $\beta_2 = 7.2$ | $ma_2 = 0.33$ | 48 | | | |
| $\beta_3 = 12.8$ | $ma_3 = 0.25$ | 64 | 32 | | |
| β_4 | ma_4 | 96 | 48 | | |
| β_5 | ma_5 | 128 | 64 | 32 | |
| β_6 | ma_6 | | 96 | 48 | |
| β_7 | ma_7 | | 128 | 64 | 32 |
| ... | ... | | | | |

Strategy

- $\beta_{1,2,3}$ are known, $\beta_4^{a,b,c,d,e}$ are estimators for β_4
- Estimation of β_4 with a fit using $\beta_4^a, \dots, \beta_4^e$

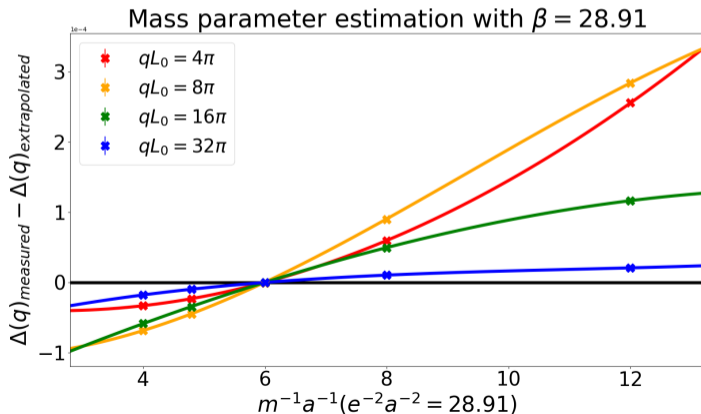


Setting of the gauge coupling parameter



Mass parameter estimation

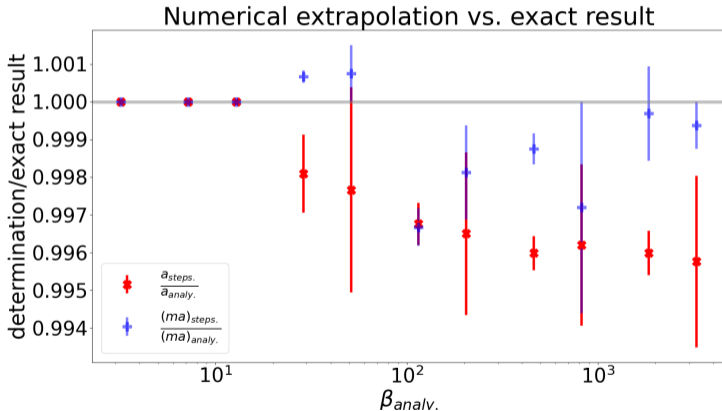
- Pion mass does not fit in small lattices \Rightarrow Discrete Adler function can be measured for arbitrary large Q^2





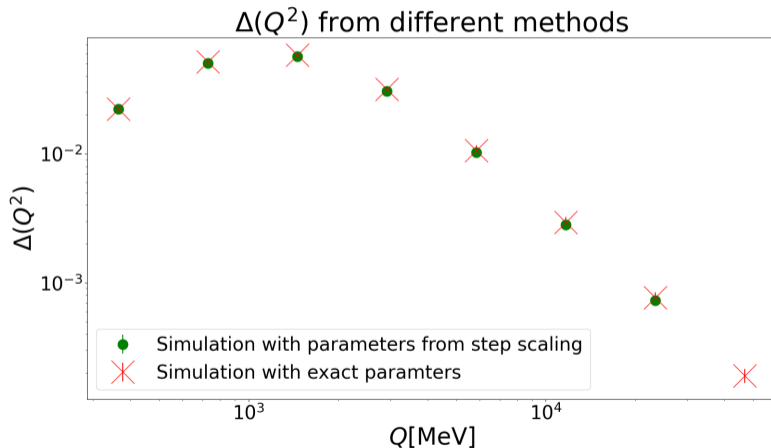
Results

Results for the LCP



(only statistical errors are shown)

$\Delta(Q^2)$ from different methods



Thank you for your attention!

Any questions?



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