

Some thoughts on theory uncertainties

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On Z resonance (leading pole term):

$$A_4 = \frac{\sum_q X_q 8 \frac{v_\ell}{a_\ell} \frac{v_q}{a_q}}{\sum_q X_q \left(1 + \frac{v_\ell^2}{a_\ell^2}\right) \left(1 + \frac{v_q^2}{a_q^2}\right)}$$

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$$\Delta_q = \underbrace{\Delta_{q(1)}}_{\text{implemented}} + \underbrace{\Delta_{q(2)}}_{\text{missing}}$$

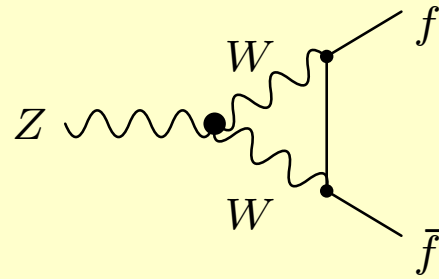
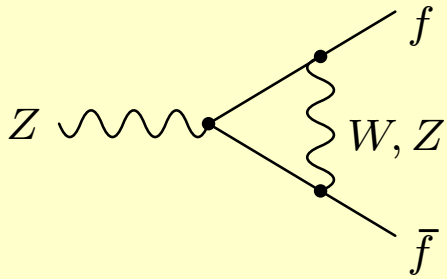
$$\frac{\delta A_4}{A_4} \approx \frac{\sum_q X_q (-4|e_q| \Delta_{q(2)})}{\sum_q X_q (1 - 4|e_q| s_\ell^2)} + \frac{\sum_q X_q 8|e_q| (1 - 4|e_q| s_\ell^2) \Delta_{q(2)}}{\sum_q X_q [1 + (1 - 4|e_q| s_\ell^2)^2]}$$

$\Delta_{q(2)}$ is known (in SM) for leading Z pole term

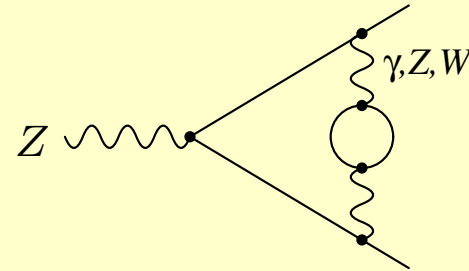
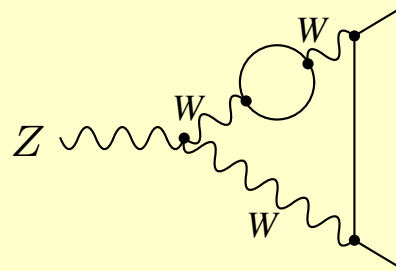
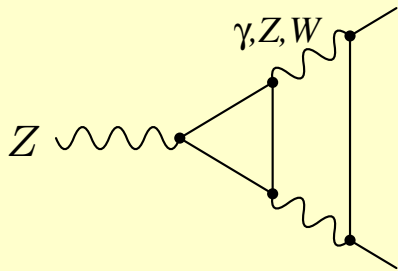
Freitas '14

Dubovyuk, Freitas, Gluza, Riemann, Usovitsch '19

Example contributions to $\Delta_{q(1)}$:



Example contributions to $\Delta_{q(2)}$:



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including non-factorizable EW \times QCD corrections:			
$\Delta_{u(\alpha^2 + \alpha\alpha_s)} [10^{-5}]$	+1.47	+1.38	+1.74
$\Delta_{d(\alpha^2 + \alpha\alpha_s)} [10^{-5}]$	+2.34	+2.15	+2.95

Czarnecki, Kühn '96
Harlander, Seidensticker,
Steinhauser '97

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Impact of EW 2-loop contributions (without EW \times QCD):

$\delta A_4/A_4$: [10^{-4}]

$m_{\ell\ell}$ [GeV]	Scheme:	α'	α	G_μ
60		0.07	0.08	0.06
70		0.17	0.19	0.13
80		0.33	0.38	0.26
$M_Z - 2$		6.03	3.80	3.11
$M_Z - 1$		0.93	0.92	0.69
M_Z		0.41	0.44	0.33
$M_Z + 2$		0.22	0.24	0.18
$M_Z + 1$		0.11	0.13	0.10
100		0.09	0.09	0.06
110		0.13	0.14	0.09
130		0.12	0.13	0.09
150		0.11	0.12	0.09

Including photon exchange and photon form factor estimate:
(neglecting boxes and s -dependence of Z form factors)

$$A_4 = \frac{\sum_q X_q 4 \left(\frac{v_\ell v_q}{a_\ell a_q} + \frac{v_{\ell q}(s)}{a_\ell a_q} \right)}{\sum_q X_q \left(1 + \frac{v_\ell^2}{a_\ell^2} + \frac{v_q^2}{a_q^2} + \frac{v_{\ell q}^2(s)}{a_\ell^2 a_q^2} \right)} \quad X_q = f_q(x_1) f_{\bar{q}}(x_2) + f_{\bar{q}}(x_1) f_q(x_2)$$

$$v_{\ell q}(s) = v_\ell v_q + \frac{s - M_Z^2 - i M_Z \Gamma_Z}{s} e^2 e_q (1 + \overline{\Delta}_q)$$

$$\frac{v_\ell}{a_\ell} = 1 - 4s_\ell^2,$$

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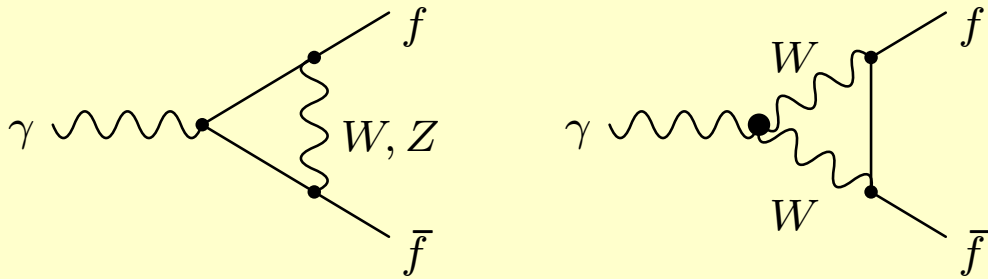
$$\Delta_q = \Delta_{q(1)} + \Delta_{q(2)}$$

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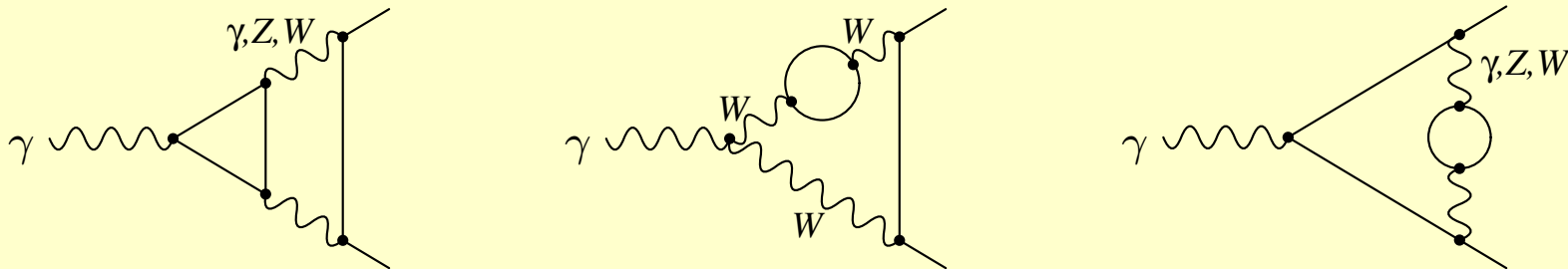
$$\overline{\Delta}_{q(2)} = \pm \overline{\Delta}_{q(1)} \times \frac{g^2}{16\pi^2} n_f, \quad n_f = 6 + 6N_c \quad (\text{maybe underestimate?})$$

Example contributions to $\overline{\Delta}_q(1)$:



Note: 1-loop boxes and s -dependence of Z vertex form factors also contribute at same order (1-loop without Z pole)

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60		0.37	0.35	15.50
70		0.52	0.60	8.99
80		1.53	1.61	37.37
$M_Z - 2$		17.54	10.27	208.5
$M_Z - 1$		2.14	1.97	27.6
M_Z		0.58	0.59	0.57
$M_Z + 2$		0.45	0.46	10.61
$M_Z + 1$		0.55	0.55	16.15
100		0.84	0.83	24.85
110		0.80	0.81	21.71
130		0.53	0.56	12.34
150		0.34	0.38	6.04

- dominated by photon form factor unc. $\overline{\Delta}_q$
- artificially large corrections for G_μ scheme
[same for (G_μ, s_ℓ, M_Z) scheme?]

Comments on mass/width scheme

- Pole expansion scheme (PS) and complex-mass scheme (CMS):
Gauge-invariant (GI), consistent to all orders (at least conceptually)
- Factorization scheme (FS):
Gauge-invariant (GI), not extendable beyond NLO
- Naive scheme (NS) and other gauge-dependent (GD) schemes:
can lead to completely wrong results
- Difference GI–GD is meaningless, cannot be used for theory error estimate
- Difference PS–FS, PS–CMS, CMS–FS is of higher order (NNLO)
→ Can be used as indication for theory error, but may not fully capture it