

α_s from τ decay data

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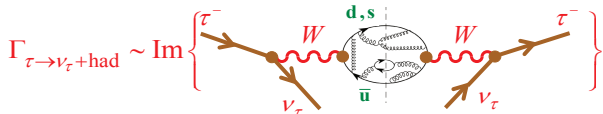
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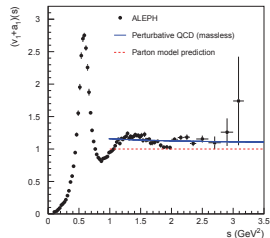
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τ Hadronic Width: R_τ



$$\Pi^{(J)}(s) \equiv |V_{ud}|^2 \left(\Pi_{ud,V}^{(J)}(s) + \Pi_{ud,A}^{(J)}(s) \right) + |V_{us}|^2 \Pi_{us,V+A}^{(J)}(s)$$

Davier et al, 1312.1501



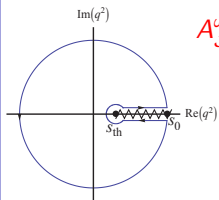
$$v_1 = 2\pi \text{Im} \Pi_{ud,V}^{(1)}(s) \quad , \quad a_1 = 2\pi \text{Im} \Pi_{ud,A}^{(1)}(s)$$

$$R_\tau = \frac{\Gamma[\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau \text{hadrons}]}{\Gamma[\tau^- \rightarrow \nu_\tau e^- \bar{\nu}_e]} = R_{\tau,V} + R_{\tau,A} + R_{\tau,S}$$

$$= 12\pi \int_0^{m_\tau^2} \frac{ds}{m_\tau^2} \left(1 - \frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right)^2 \left[\left(1 + 2\frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right) \text{Im} \Pi^{(0+1)}(s) - 2\frac{s}{m_\tau^2} \text{Im} \Pi^{(0)}(s) \right]$$

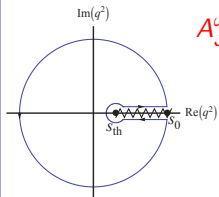
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$$R_\tau = N_C S_{EW} (1 + \delta_P + \delta_{NP})$$

Braaten-Narison-Pich '92

$$= 6\pi i \oint_{|x|=1} (1-x)^2 \left[(1+2x) \Pi^{(0+1)}(m_\tau^2 x) - 2x \Pi^{(0)}(m_\tau^2 x) \right]$$

$$\delta_P = a_\tau + 5.20 a_\tau^2 + 26 a_\tau^3 + 127 a_\tau^4 + \dots \approx 20\%$$

Baikov-Chetyrkin-Kühn '08

$$a_\tau \equiv \alpha_s(m_\tau^2)/\pi, \quad S_{EW} = 1.0201 (3)$$

Marciano-Sirlin, Braaten-Li, Erler

$$\delta_{NP} = -0.0064 \pm 0.0013 \quad (\text{Fitted from data})$$

Davier et al '14

Perturbative Contribution ($m_q = 0$)

$$a_\tau \equiv \frac{\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)}{\pi}$$

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1) The dominant corrections come from the contour integration

Large running of α_s along the circle $s = m_\tau^2 e^{i\phi}$, $\phi \in [-\pi, \pi]$

n	1	2	3	4	5
K_n	1	1.6398	6.37101	49.0757	?
r_n	1	5.2023	26.3659	127.079	$307.78 + K_5$
$r_n - K_n$	0	3.5625	19.9949	78.0029	307.78

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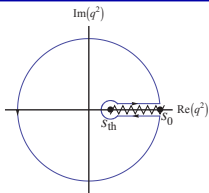
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2) CIPT gives rise to a well-behaved perturbative series

$a_\tau = 0.11$	$A^{(1)}(\alpha_s)$	$A^{(2)}(\alpha_s)$	$A^{(3)}(\alpha_s)$	$A^{(4)}(\alpha_s)$	δ_P
$\beta_{n>1} = 0$	0.14828	0.01925	0.00225	0.00024	0.20578
$\beta_{n>2} = 0$	0.15103	0.01905	0.00209	0.00020	0.20537
$\beta_{n>3} = 0$	0.15093	0.01882	0.00202	0.00019	0.20389
$\beta_{n>4} = 0$	0.15058	0.01865	0.00198	0.00018	0.20273
$\beta_{n>5} = 0$	0.15041	0.01859	0.00197	0.00018	0.20232
$\mathcal{O}(a_\tau^4)$ FOPT	0.16115	0.02431	0.00290	0.00015	0.22665

FOPT overestimates δ_P by 11%

Non-Perturbative Contribution

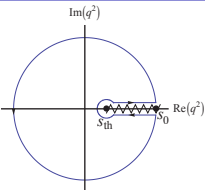


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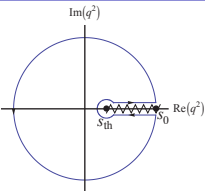
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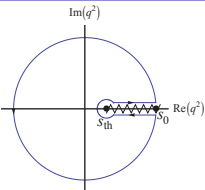
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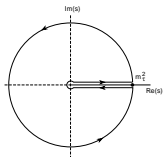
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- Sensitivity to \mathcal{O}_D with different $\omega(x)$ \rightarrow Measure δ_{NP}**

R_τ suitable for a precise α_s determination



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- Known to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$. Sizeable $\delta_P \sim 20\%$. Strong sensitivity to α_s
- m_τ large enough to safely use the OPE. Flat V + A distribution
- OPE only valid away from real axis: $(1-x)^2$ pinched at $s = m_\tau^2$
- $m_{u,d} = 0 \Rightarrow s \Pi^{(0)} = 0 \Rightarrow R_{\tau,V+A} = 6\pi i \oint_{|x|=1} (1-3x^2+2x^3) \Pi_{ud,V+A}^{(0+1)}(m_\tau^2 x)$
- $\Rightarrow \delta_{NP} \sim 1/m_\tau^6$ Strong suppression of non-perturbative effects
- D = 6 OPE contributions have opposite sign for V & A. Cancellation
- δ_{NP} can be determined from data: $\delta_{NP} = -0.0064 \pm 0.0013$ Davier et al

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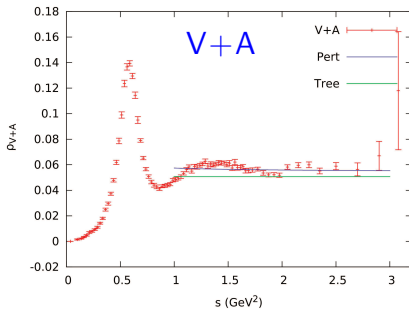
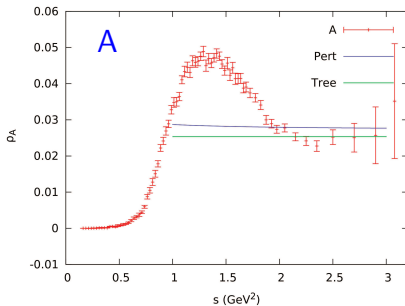
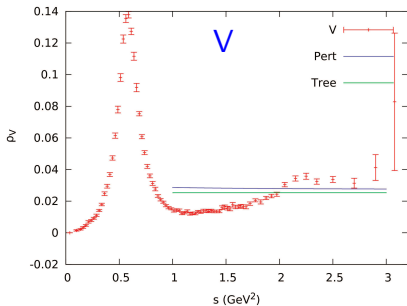


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Pich 2014

ALEPH Spectral Functions

Davier et al. 2014



— $\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = 0.329$

— Parton Model

Detailed analysis of ALEPH data

Rodríguez-Sánchez, Pich, arXiv:1605.06830

Method (V + A)	$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)$		
	CIPT	FOPT	Average
ALEPH moments ¹	$0.339^{+0.019}_{-0.017}$	$0.319^{+0.017}_{-0.015}$	$0.329^{+0.020}_{-0.018}$
Mod. ALEPH moments ²	$0.338^{+0.014}_{-0.012}$	$0.319^{+0.013}_{-0.010}$	$0.329^{+0.016}_{-0.014}$
$A^{(2,m)}$ moments ³	$0.336^{+0.018}_{-0.016}$	$0.317^{+0.015}_{-0.013}$	$0.326^{+0.018}_{-0.016}$
s_0 dependence ⁴	0.335 ± 0.014	0.323 ± 0.012	0.329 ± 0.013
Borel transform ⁵	$0.328^{+0.014}_{-0.013}$	$0.318^{+0.015}_{-0.012}$	$0.323^{+0.015}_{-0.013}$
Combined value	0.335 ± 0.013	0.320 ± 0.012	0.328 ± 0.013



$$\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1197 \pm 0.0015$$

- $\omega_{kl}(x) = (1+2x)(1-x)^{2+k}x^l$ ($k, l) = (0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3)$
- $\tilde{\omega}_{kl}(x) = (1-x)^{2+k}x^l$ ($k, l) = (0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3)$
- $\omega^{(2,m)}(x) = (1-x)^2 \sum_{k=0}^m (k+1)x^k = 1 - (m+2)x^{m+1} + (m+1)x^{m+2}$, $1 \leq m \leq 5$
- $\omega^{(2,m)}(x)$ $0 \leq m \leq 2$, 1 single moment in each fit
- $\omega_a^{(1,m)}(x) = (1-x^{m+1})e^{-ax}$ $0 \leq m \leq 6$

α_s determination with ALEPH-like fit

Rodríguez-Sánchez, A.P.

$$\omega_{kl}(x) = (1-x)^{2+k} x^l (1+2x) \quad , \quad x = s/m_\tau^2 \quad , \quad (k, l) = (0, 0), (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3)$$

Channel	$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)$	$\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} GG \rangle$ (10^{-3} GeV^4)	\mathcal{O}_6 (10^{-3} GeV^6)	\mathcal{O}_8 10^{-3} GeV^8
V (FOPT)	$0.328^{+0.013}_{-0.007}$	8^{+7}_{-14}	$-3.2^{+0.8}_{-0.5}$	$5.0^{+0.4}_{-0.7}$
V (CIPT)	$0.352^{+0.013}_{-0.011}$	-8^{+7}_{-7}	$-3.5^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$4.9^{+0.4}_{-0.5}$
A (FOPT)	$0.304^{+0.010}_{-0.007}$	-15^{+5}_{-8}	$4.4^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$	$-5.8^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$
A (CIPT)	$0.320^{+0.011}_{-0.010}$	-25^{+5}_{-5}	$4.3^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$-5.8^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$
V+A (FOPT)	$0.319^{+0.010}_{-0.006}$	-3^{+6}_{-11}	$1.3^{+1.4}_{-0.8}$	$-0.8^{+0.4}_{-0.7}$
V+A (CIPT)	$0.339^{+0.011}_{-0.009}$	-16^{+5}_{-5}	$0.9^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	$-1.0^{+0.5}_{-0.7}$

- High sensitivity to α_s . Bad sensitivity to power corrections
- Cancellation in $\mathcal{O}_{6, V+A}$ confirmed. **V + A** more reliable
- $K_5 = 275 \pm 400$, $\mu^2 = (0.5, 2) m_\tau^2$
- Best values taken from V + A. Errors increased with sensitivity to \mathcal{O}_{10}

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Good agreement with Davier et al.: $\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = 0.332 \pm 0.012$

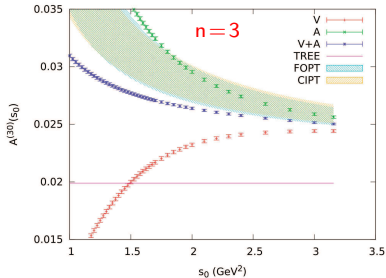
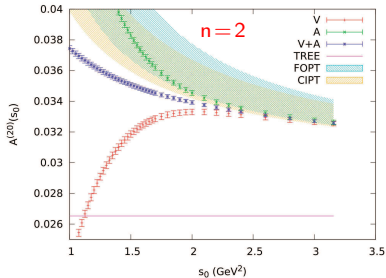
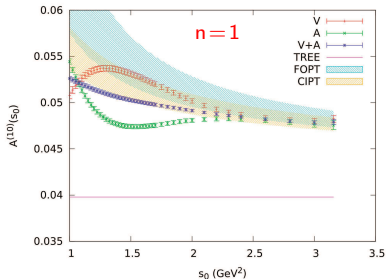
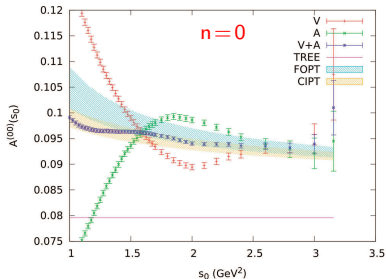
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Experiment vs. (pinched) Perturbation Theory (only)

Rodríguez-Sánchez, A.P.

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Non-Perturbative Contributions Neglected

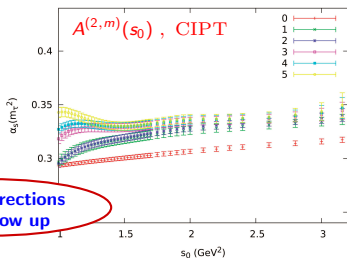
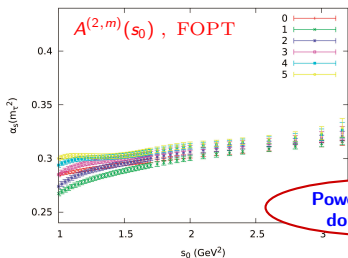
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$$\omega^{(1,m)}(x) = 1 - x^{m+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{2m+4}$$

$$\omega^{(2,m)}(x) = (1-x)^2 \sum_{k=0}^m (k+1)x^k = 1 - (m+2)x^{m+1} + (m+1)x^{m+2} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{2m+4, 2m+6}$$

Moment (n, m)	$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)$		Moment (n, m)	$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)$	
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Amazing stability



V + A

Exp. errors only

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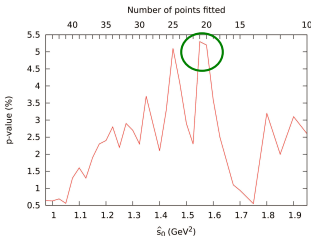
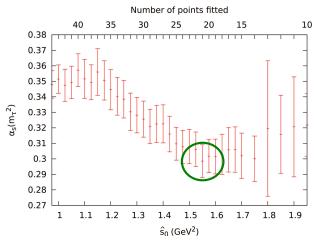
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FOPT , V
(larger errors in A)

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Model dependence?

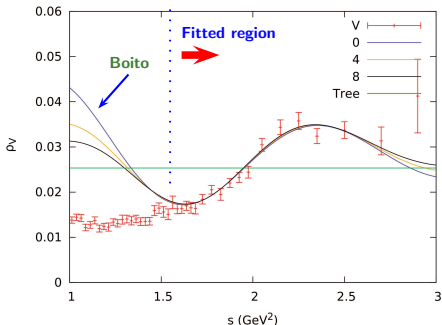
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	λ_V	$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)^{\text{FOPT}}$	δ_V	γ_V	α_V	β_V	p-value
Boito	0	0.298 ± 0.010	3.6 ± 0.5	0.6 ± 0.3	-2.3 ± 0.9	4.3 ± 0.5	5.3%
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- Fitted α is model dependent
- $\lambda = 0$ (Boito) gives the worse fit
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 ➔ closer to data at $s < \hat{s}_0$
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Not competitive & unreliable

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Boito et al →

λ_V	$\mathcal{O}_{6,V}$	$\mathcal{O}_{8,V}$	$\mathcal{O}_{10,V}$	$\mathcal{O}_{12,V}$
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GeV units

Fitted condensates are model dependent

The size of $\mathcal{O}_{2n,V}$ decreases when α_s (& fit quality) increases

Huge condensates claimed by Boito et al (OPE breakdown), but:

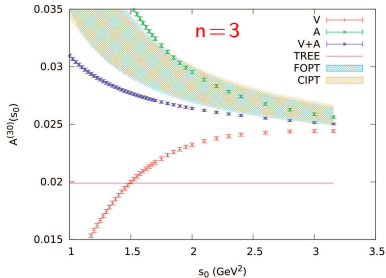
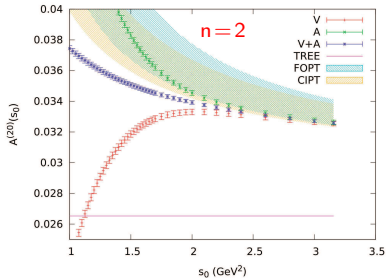
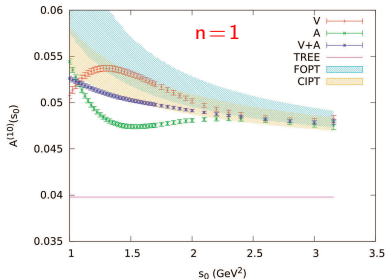
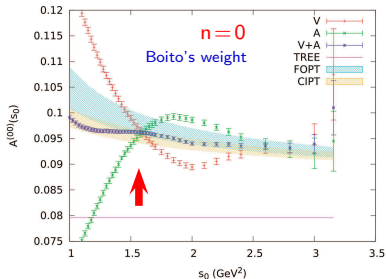
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(1805.08176)

Experiment vs. (pinched) Perturbation Theory (only)

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$$\omega^{(n,0)}(s = s_0 x) = (1-x)^n \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_{D \leq 2(n+1)}$$

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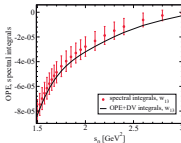
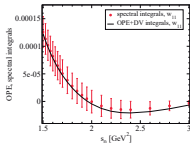
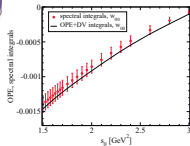


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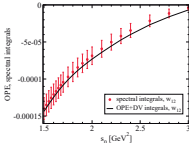
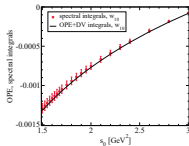
Boito et al, 1611.03457



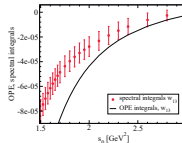
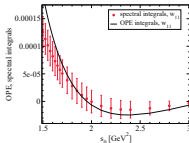
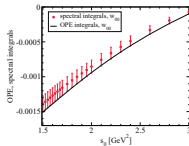
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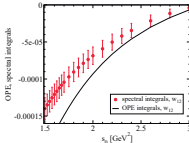
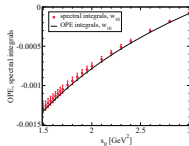
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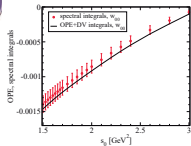
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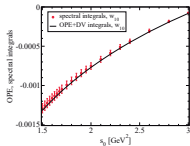
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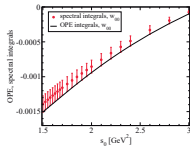
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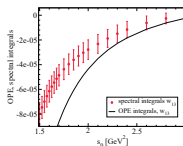
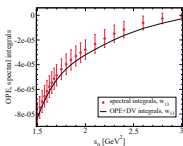
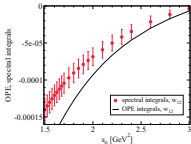
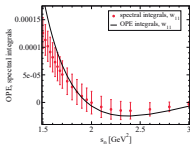
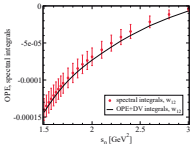
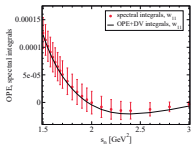
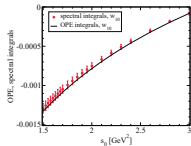
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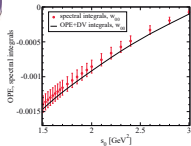
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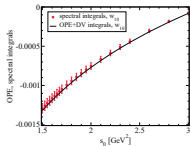
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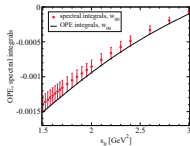
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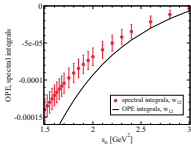
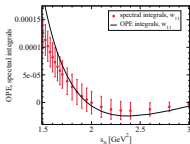
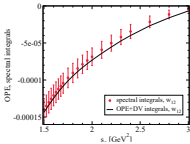
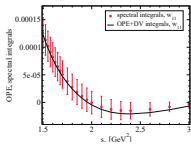
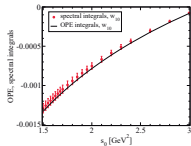
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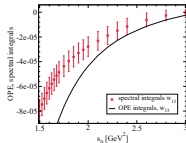


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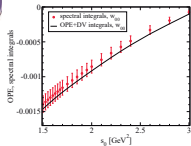
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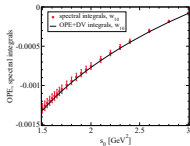
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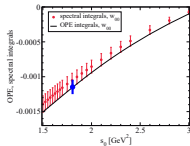
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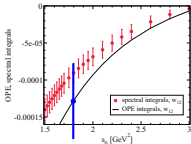
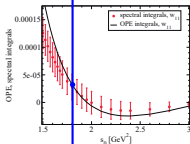
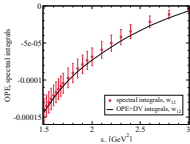
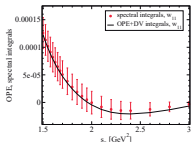
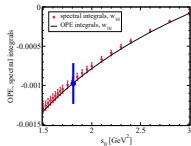
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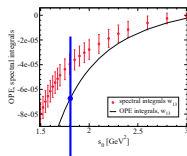


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3.4) Theory:
Huge errors
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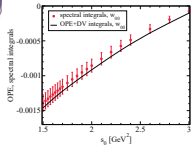
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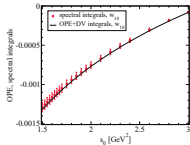
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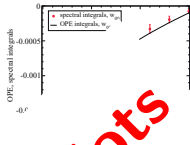
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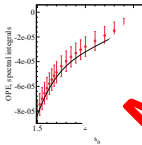
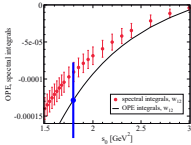
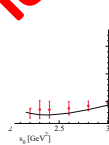
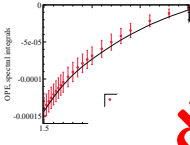
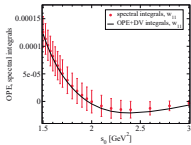
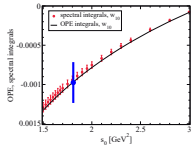
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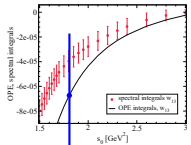
"Truncated OPE pitfalls"



BAD



Misleading Plots



3,4) Theory:
Huge errors
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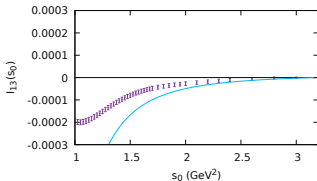
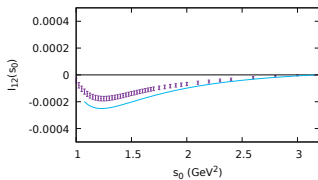
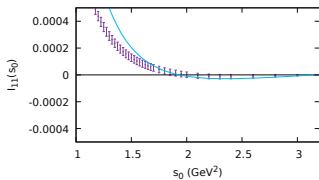
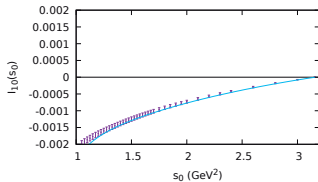
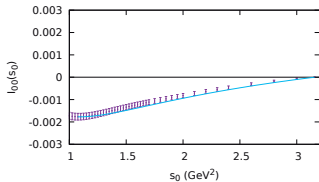
⬇ \mathcal{O}_8 error only

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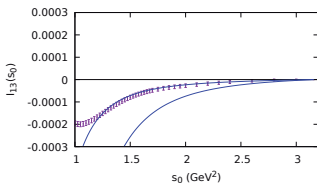
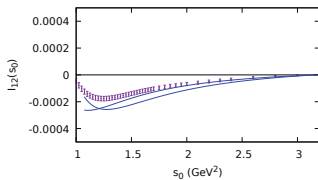
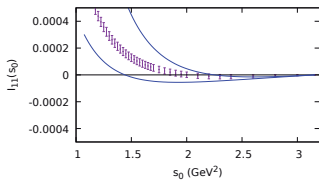
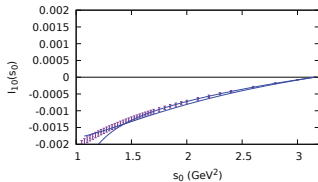
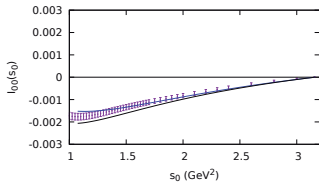
† Experimental data
— OPE prediction
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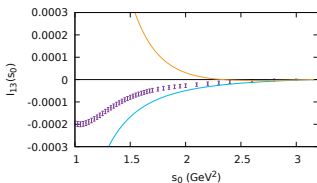
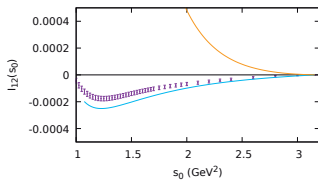
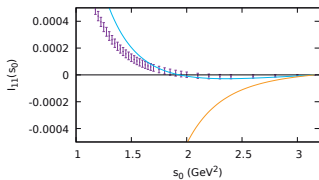
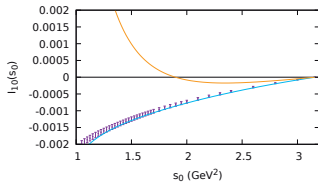
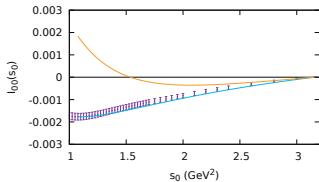
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- Variation with O_{10} error

Summary

Precise determination of $\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)$:

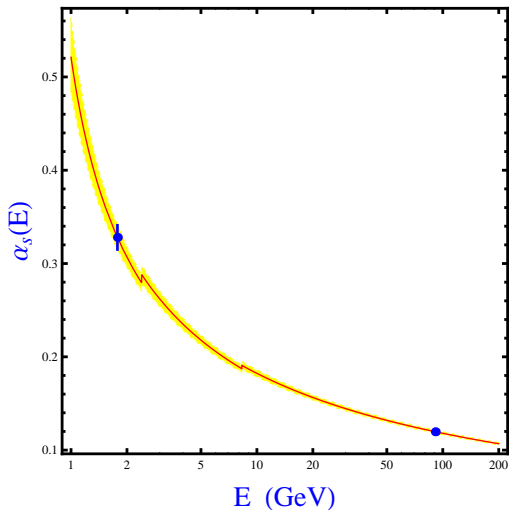
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Method (V + A)	$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)$		
	CIPT	FOPT	Average
ALEPH moments ¹	$0.339^{+0.019}_{-0.017}$	$0.319^{+0.017}_{-0.015}$	$0.329^{+0.020}_{-0.018}$
Mod. ALEPH moments ²	$0.338^{+0.014}_{-0.012}$	$0.319^{+0.013}_{-0.010}$	$0.329^{+0.016}_{-0.014}$
$A^{(2,m)}$ moments ³	$0.336^{+0.018}_{-0.016}$	$0.317^{+0.015}_{-0.013}$	$0.326^{+0.018}_{-0.016}$
s_0 dependence ⁴	0.335 ± 0.014	0.323 ± 0.012	0.329 ± 0.013
Borel transform ⁵	$0.328^{+0.014}_{-0.013}$	$0.318^{+0.015}_{-0.012}$	$0.323^{+0.015}_{-0.013}$
Combined value	0.335 ± 0.013	0.320 ± 0.012	0.328 ± 0.013

Good agreement with other analyses:

$$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = \begin{cases} 0.332 \pm 0.012 & (0.341_{\text{CIPT}}, 0.324_{\text{FOPT}}) & \text{Davier et al, 1312.1501} \\ 0.327 \pm 0.024 & (0.330_{\text{PV}}, 0.349_{\text{CIPT}}, 0.313_{\text{FOPT}}) & \text{Ayala et al, 2112.01992} \end{cases}$$

α_s at N³LO from τ and Z



$$\alpha_s(m_\tau^2) = 0.328 \pm 0.013$$



$$\alpha_s(M_Z^2) = 0.1197 \pm 0.0015$$

$$\alpha_s(M_Z^2)_{Z \text{ width}} = 0.1199 \pm 0.0029$$

**A very precise test of
Asymptotic Freedom**

$$\alpha_s^\tau(M_Z^2) - \alpha_s^Z(M_Z^2) = 0.0002 \pm 0.0015_\tau \pm 0.0029_Z$$