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# Resolution of the CIPT-FOPT Discrepancy Problem for Hadronic $\tau$ Decays

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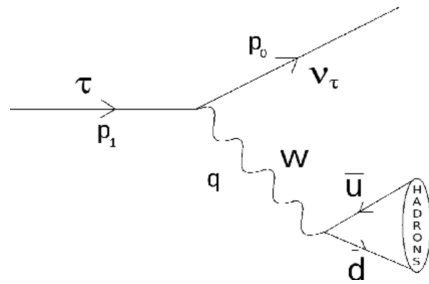
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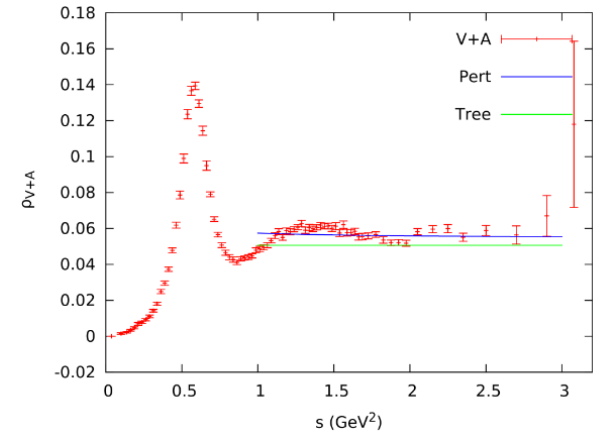
ALEPH:  $\tau$  hadronic width

(HFLAV 2019)

$$R_\tau \equiv \frac{\Gamma[\tau^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons } \nu_\tau(\gamma)]}{\Gamma[\tau^- \rightarrow e^- \bar{\nu}_e \nu_\tau(\gamma)]} = 3.6355 \pm 0.0081$$



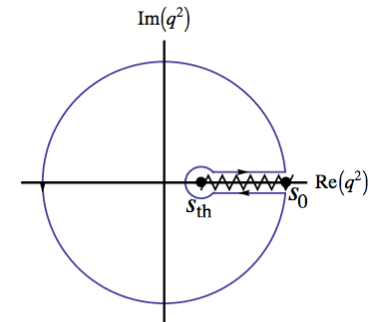
Inclusive hadronic mass spectrum



$$(p^\mu p^\nu - g^{\mu\nu} p^2) \Pi(p^2) \equiv i \int dx e^{ipx} \langle \Omega | T \{ j_{v/av,jk}^\mu(x) j_{v/av,jk}^\nu(0)^\dagger \} | \Omega \rangle$$

Braaten, Narison, Pich, Le Diberder, ... 90's

$$A_{V/A}^\omega(s_0) \equiv \int_{s_{th}}^{s_0} \frac{ds}{s_0} \omega(s) \text{Im} \Pi_{V/A}(s) = \frac{i}{2} \oint_{|s|=s_0} \frac{ds}{s_0} \omega(s) \Pi_{V/A}(s)$$



# Hadronic $\tau$ Spectral Function Moments

Theory: Operator product expansion

Adler function:  $\frac{1}{4\pi^2} (1 + D(s)) \equiv -s \frac{d\Pi(s)}{ds}$

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$$A_{W_i}(s_0) = \frac{N_c}{2} |V_{ud}|^2 \left[ \delta_{W_i}^{\text{tree}} + \delta_{W_i}^{(0)}(s_0) + \sum_{d \geq 2} \delta_{W_i}^{(d)}(s_0) + \delta_{W_i}^{\text{DV}}(s_0) \right]$$

$$W_i(x) = \sum_{n=0}^m a_n x^n$$

↑
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pQCD
OPE
Duality violation

$$\hat{D}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{n,1} \left( \frac{\alpha_s(-s)}{\pi} \right)^n \leftarrow \text{Perturbative}$$

Shifman, Vainshtein, Sacharow 1978

$$\hat{D}^{\text{OPE}}(s) = \frac{C(\alpha_s(-s))}{(-s)^2} \langle \alpha_s G^2 \rangle + \sum_{p=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(-s)^p} \left[ C_0(\alpha_s(-s)) \langle \mathcal{O}_{2p, \gamma_1} \rangle + C_1(\alpha_s(-s)) \langle \mathcal{O}_{2p, \gamma_2} \rangle + \dots \right]$$

OPE non-pert. corrections

$$\delta_{W_i}^{(0)}(s_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|s|=s_0} \frac{ds}{s} W_i\left(\frac{s}{s_0}\right) \hat{D}(s)$$

$$\delta_{W_i}^{(d)}(s_0) \sim \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|s|=s_0} \frac{ds}{s} W_i\left(\frac{s}{s_0}\right) \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^d}{s^{d/2}}$$

# FOPT-CIPT Discrepancy Problem

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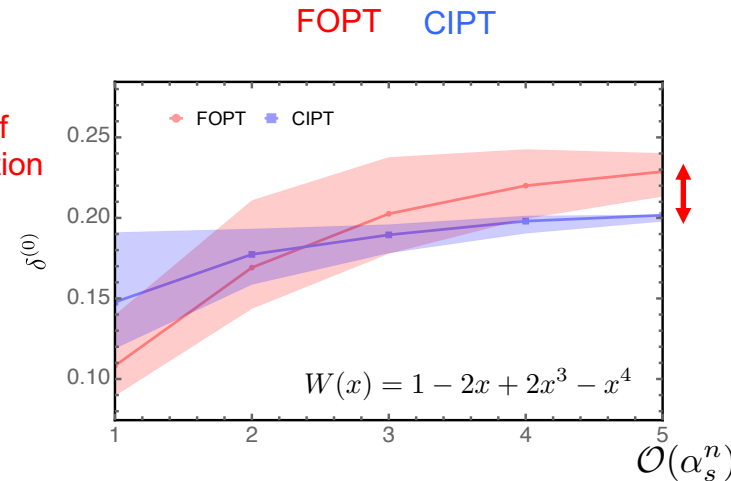
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- CIPT resums powers of  $\pi$  with respect to FOPT
- CIPT leads in general to smaller moments than FOPT
- OPE and DV corrections assumed to be universal
- Strong coupling from CIPT larger than from FOPT
- CIPT disfavored from plausibility studies of Borel models for the Adler function

Beneke, Boito, Jamin 2008, 2012

- **Situation inconclusive !**

# FOPT-CIPT Discrepancy

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \bar{\psi}_i (i\gamma^\mu (D_\mu)_{ij} - m \delta_{ij}) \psi_j - \frac{1}{4} G_{\mu\nu}^a G_a^{\mu\nu}$$

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$$(D_\mu)_{ij} = \partial_\mu \delta_{ij} - ig(T_a)_{ij} \mathcal{A}_\mu^a$$

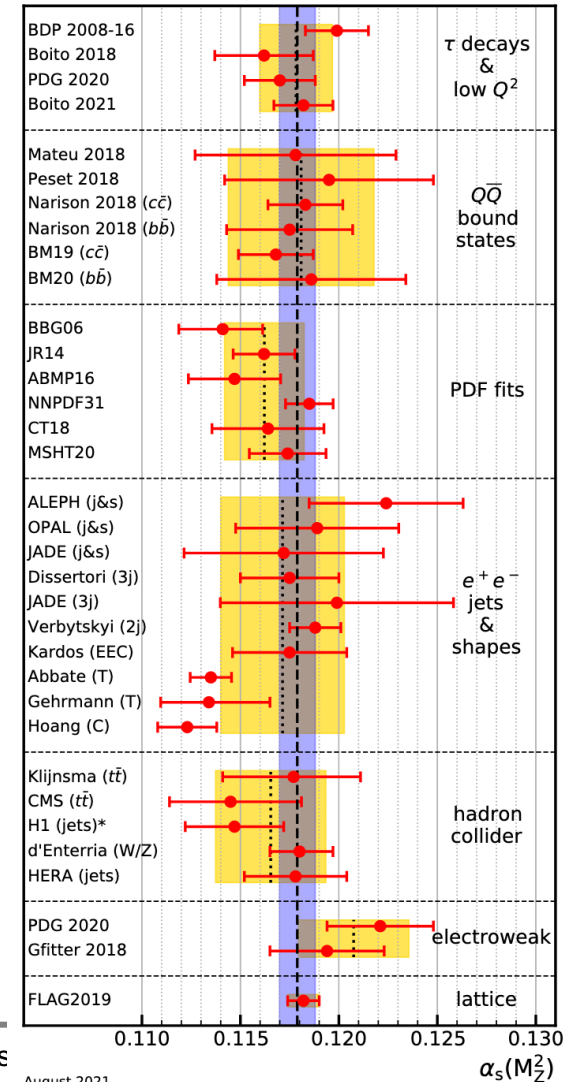
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# Outline

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- Introduction
- FOPT and CIPT Borel representations are different:  
**Asymptotic Separation  $\Delta$**   
→ **FOPT and CIPT expansions describe different quantities**
- Properties of the CIPT expansion:  
**CIPT expansion NOT CONSISTENT with the standard form of the Operator Product Expansion and renormalon calculus**
- Reconciling CIPT and FOPT:  
**renormalon-free gluon condensate scheme**
- Impact on determinations of  $\alpha_s(m_\tau^2)$

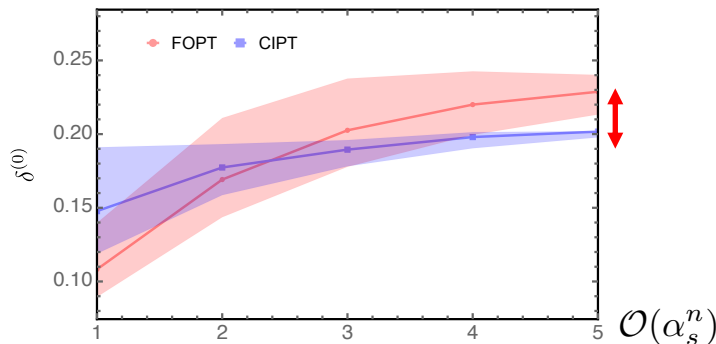
# Interesting Observations: Total Decay Rate

$$W_\tau(x) = 1 - 2x + 2x^3 - x^4$$

$$\delta_{W_i}^{(d)}(s_0) \sim \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|s|=s_0} \frac{ds}{s} \left(\frac{s}{s_0}\right)^m \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4}{s^2} = \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4}{s_0^2} \delta_{m2}$$

→ Sensitivity to leading  $O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4)$  gluon condensate strongly suppressed

Moment's perturbation series:



- Discrepancy between CIPT and FOPT

scales as  $\sim \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4}{s_0^2}$

- Accidental or indication of a quartic IR sensitivity?
- Contradiction to standard OPE
- How can there be  $O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4)$  sensitivity left ?

- CIPT is not an expansion in powers of  $\alpha_s$  at a definite renormalization scale. It is impossible to switch between the CIPT and FOPT moment series terms through a change of scheme of the strong coupling and a reexpansion of the series due to the **contour integration !!**

→ Worth to reconsider CIPT and FOPT from scratch: OPE ↔ IR renormalons

# Renormalon Calculus: Euclidean Adler Function

Perturbative series in QCD are not convergent, but asymptotic in expansion variable  $\alpha_s(s_0)$ .

$$\rightarrow \hat{D}(-s_0) \sim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n! \left( \frac{\alpha_s(s_0)}{\pi} \right)^n$$

Borel calculus:

't Hooft; David; Müller; ... Beneke; ...

$$\hat{D}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_{n,1} \left( \frac{\alpha_s(s_0)}{\pi} \right)^n \implies B[\hat{D}](u) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_{n,1}}{\Gamma(n)} u^{n-1}$$

Borel sum: 
$$\hat{D}_{\text{Borel}}(-s_0) = \text{PV} \int_0^{\infty} du B[\hat{D}](u) e^{-\frac{4\pi u}{\beta_0 \alpha_s(s_0)}}$$

Association: IR renormalon poles/cuts  $\Leftrightarrow$  (standard) OPE Corrections

$$\hat{D}^{\text{OPE}}(s) = \frac{C(\alpha_s(-s))}{(-s)^2} \langle \alpha_s G^2 \rangle + \sum_{p=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(-s)^p} \left[ C_0(\alpha_s(-s)) \langle \mathcal{O}_{2p, \gamma_1} \rangle + C_1(\alpha_s(-s)) \langle \mathcal{O}_{2p, \gamma_2} \rangle + \dots \right]$$

Leading Gluon Condensate:

$$B(u) \sim \frac{1}{(2-u)^{1+4\hat{b}_1}} + \dots \iff \frac{\langle \bar{G}^2 \rangle}{s^2}$$



# FOPT vs. CIPT Borel Representation (large- $\beta_0$ )

FOPT expansion:  $\rightarrow$  Expansion parameter:  $\alpha_s(s_0)$

$$\hat{D}(s) = \underbrace{\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_s(s_0)}{\pi}\right)^n}_{\text{expansion variable}} \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^n k c_{n,k} \ln^{k-1}(-x)}_{\text{coefficient}}$$

Borel sum:  $\text{PV} \int_0^{\infty} du \left[ B[\hat{D}](u) e^{-u \ln(-x)} \right] e^{-\frac{4\pi u}{\beta_0 \alpha_s(s_0)}}$

$$e^{-u \ln(-x)} e^{-\frac{4\pi u}{\beta_0 \alpha_s(s_0)}} = e^{-\frac{4\pi u}{\beta_0 \alpha_s(-s)}}$$

$\rightarrow$  FOPT Borel representation = “true” Borel representation

$$\delta_{W_i, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{FOPT}}(s_0) = \text{PV} \int_0^{\infty} du \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|x|=1} \frac{dx}{x} W_i(x) B[\hat{D}](u) e^{-\frac{4\pi u}{\beta_0 \alpha_s(-x s_0)}}$$

# FOPT vs. CIPT Borel Representation

CIPT expansion: → No obvious expansion parameter !

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→ CIPT Borel representation: NEW !

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$$\delta_{W_i, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{CIPT}}(s_0) = \int_0^{\infty} d\bar{u} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{C_x} \frac{dx}{x} W_i(x) \left( \frac{\alpha_s(-xs_0)}{\alpha_s(s_0)} \right) B[\hat{D}] \left( \frac{\alpha_s(-xs_0)}{\alpha_s(s_0)} \bar{u} \right) e^{-\frac{4\pi\bar{u}}{\beta_0\alpha_s(s_0)}}$$

Contour needs to be deformed from  $|x|=1$

„Asymptotic Separation“

$$\Delta_W(s_0) \equiv \delta_{W, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{CIPT}}(s_0) - \delta_{W, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{FOPT}}(s_0)$$

$$\Delta_W(s_0) \sim \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^d}{s_0^{d/2}} \quad \text{for } \mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^d) \text{ IR renormalon contained in } \hat{D}$$

# Character of the Asymptotic Separation

## FOPT Borel representation

$$\delta_{W_i, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{FOPT}}(s_0) = \text{PV} \int_0^\infty du \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|x|=1} \frac{dx}{x} W_i(x) B[\hat{D}](u) e^{-\frac{4\pi u}{\beta_0 \alpha_s(-xs_0)}}$$

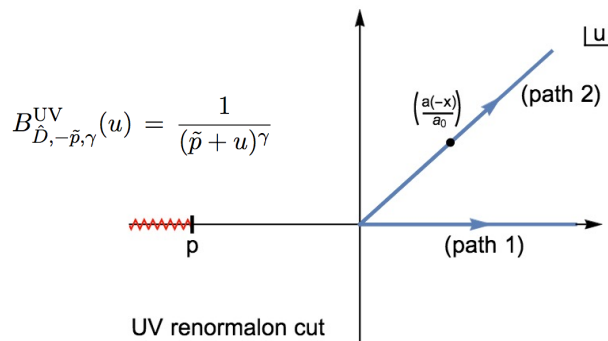
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- Related through complex-valued change of variables

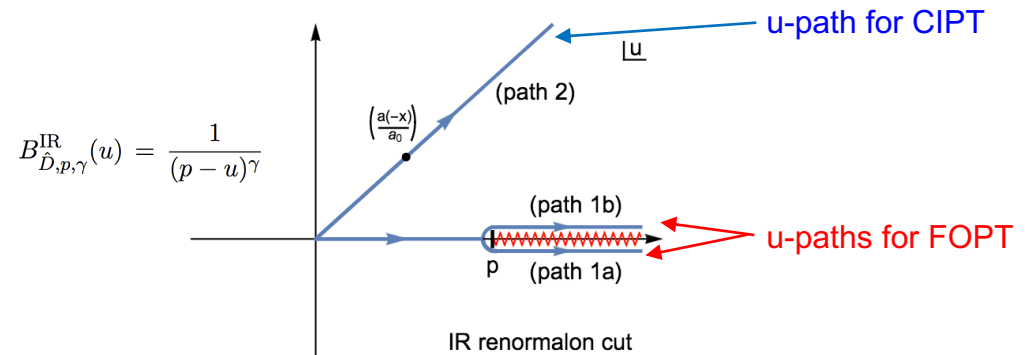
$$u = \frac{\alpha_s(-xs_0)}{\alpha_s(s_0)} \bar{u}$$

- Equivalent in perturbation theory (u-Taylor series)
- Agree at Euclidean point  $x = -1$
- Difference in presence of IR renormalon cuts



UV renormalons:

FOPT and CIPT Borel representations equivalent because closing up paths 1 and 2 does not contain cuts



IR renormalons: finite difference !

FOPT and CIPT Borel representations inequivalent

- FOPT: PV prescription needs to be imposed
- CIPT: automatically well-defined by complex-valued  $\alpha_s$
- Difference because closing paths 1a/1b and 2 always contains cuts

# Brief Numerical Analysis

Single renormalon model:

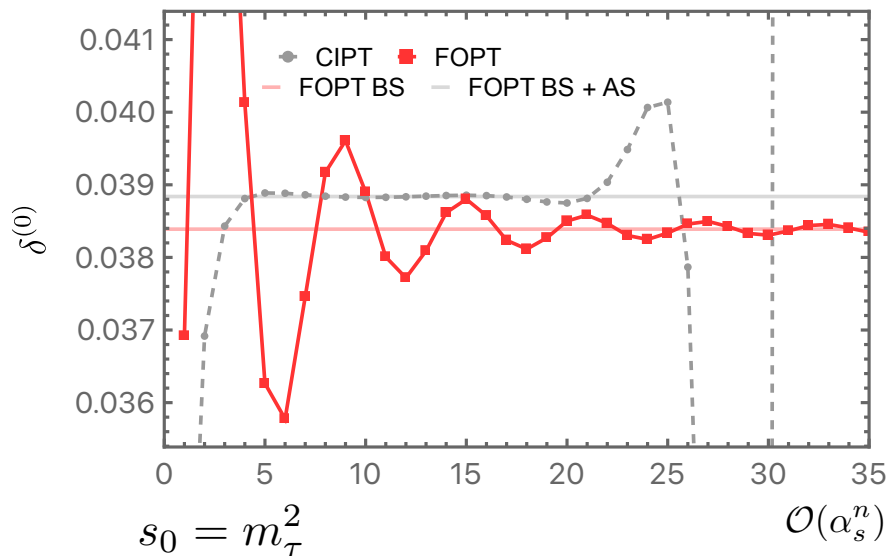
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- Gluon condensate corrections vanishes
- Per. series should be convergent

$$W(x) = 1$$

$$\bar{c}_{4,0}^{(1)} = 0, R = 0.8m_\tau, W(x) = 1$$



- CIPT series is **divergent** !  
FOPT series convergent. } This fact was overlooked in the past
- CIPT not compatible with standard OPE !  
CIPT Borel representation should not be considered as "true", but it correctly characterizes the CIPT expansion
- Excellent description of CIPT-FOPT discrepancy by asymptotic separation  $\Delta_W(s_0)$
- Moments with small asymptotic separation can be identified.

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Idea: “short-distance” scheme for the gluon condensate

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Original  $\overline{\text{MS}}$  GC contains pure  $O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^4)$  renormalon (scale invariant)

$$\langle \bar{G}^2 \rangle^{\overline{\text{MS}},(n)} \equiv \underbrace{\langle G^2 \rangle(R^2)}_{\substack{\text{renormalon-free} \\ \text{R-dependent}}} - R^4 \sum_{\ell=1}^n \underbrace{N_g r_\ell^{(4,0)}}_{\substack{\text{renormalon norm} \\ \text{(approximately known)}}} \bar{a}^\ell(R^2),$$

Expand perturbatively with Adler function

IR factorization scale R

$$r_\ell^{(4,0)} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\ell+4\hat{b}_1} \frac{\Gamma(\ell+4\hat{b}_1)}{\Gamma(1+4\hat{b}_1)} \quad \bar{a}(R^2) = \frac{\beta_0 \bar{\alpha}_s(R^2)}{4\pi}$$

C-scheme (C=0)

Boito, Jamin, Miravittlas 2016

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$$\langle G^2 \rangle(R^2) - \langle G^2 \rangle(R'^2) \quad \text{Renormalon-free (convergent series)}$$

$$\frac{d}{d \ln R^2} \langle G^2 \rangle(R^2) = \frac{N_g}{2^{4\hat{b}_1}} \frac{R^4 \bar{a}(R^2)}{1 - 2\hat{b}_1 \bar{a}(R^2)} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{(R-evolution equation)} \\ \text{Convergent series!} \end{array}$$

We can define an R-independent „short-distance“ GC:

treated like a tree-level term  
(Do not expand !)

$$\langle G^2 \rangle(R^2) \equiv \langle G^2 \rangle^{\text{RF}} + N_g \bar{c}_0(R^2).$$

→ R-invariance of scheme at infinite truncation order

$$\bar{c}_0(R^2) \equiv R^4 \text{PV} \int_0^\infty \frac{du e^{-\frac{u}{\bar{a}R}}}{(2-u)^{1+4\hat{b}_1}} = -\frac{R^4 e^{-\frac{2}{\bar{a}(R^2)}}}{(\bar{a}(R^2))^{4\hat{b}_1}} \text{Re} \left[ e^{4\pi\hat{b}_1 i} \Gamma\left(-4\hat{b}_1, -\frac{2}{\bar{a}(R^2)}\right) \right]$$

$$\frac{d}{d \ln R^2} \langle G^2 \rangle^{\text{RF}} = 0 \quad \text{Scale-invariant “short-distance“ scheme for the gluon condensate}$$

→ „true“ Borel sum value unchanged (i.e.  $N_g$ -independent) ! („minimal scheme“)

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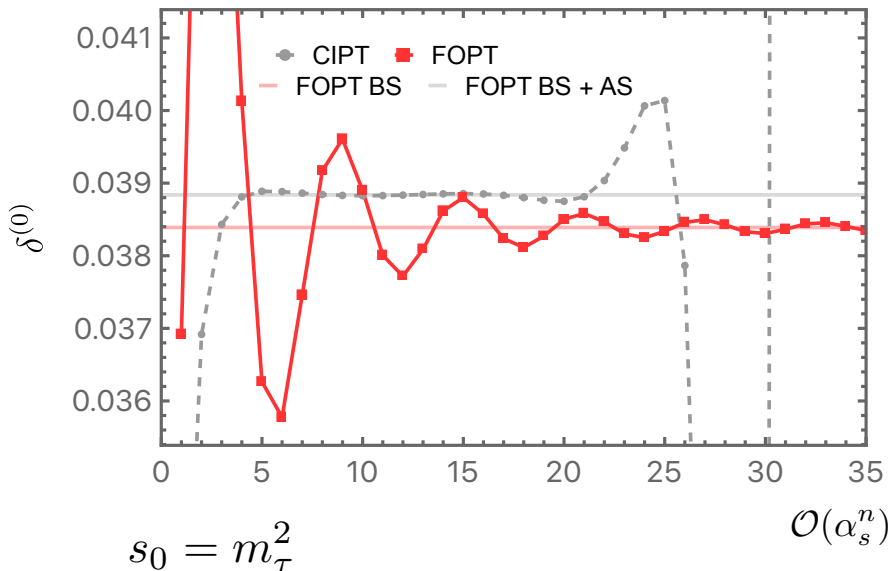
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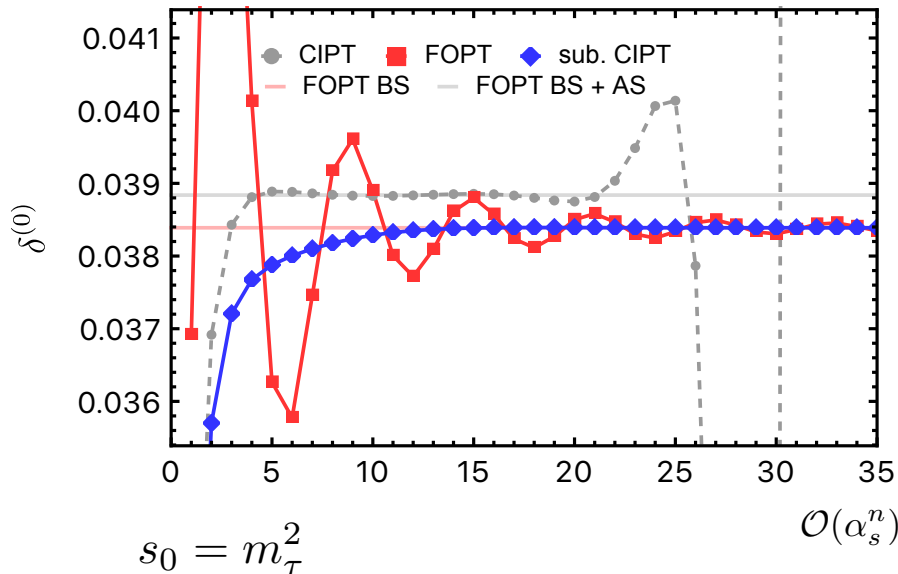
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Beneke, Jamin 2008

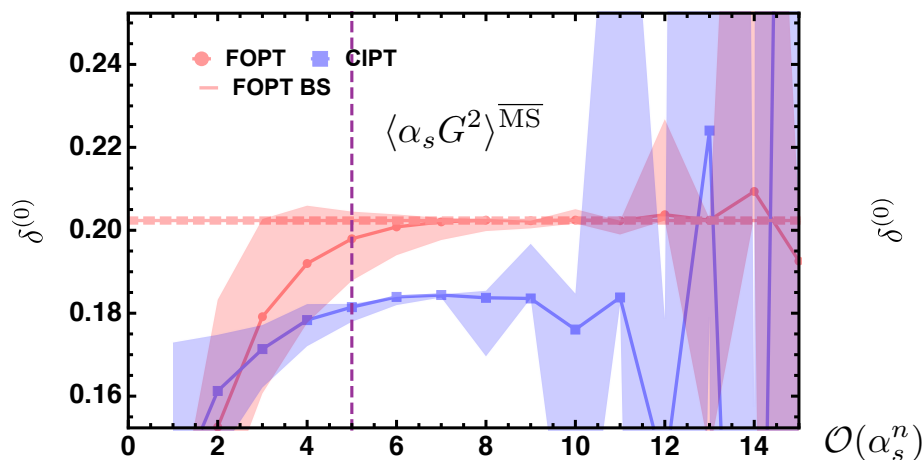
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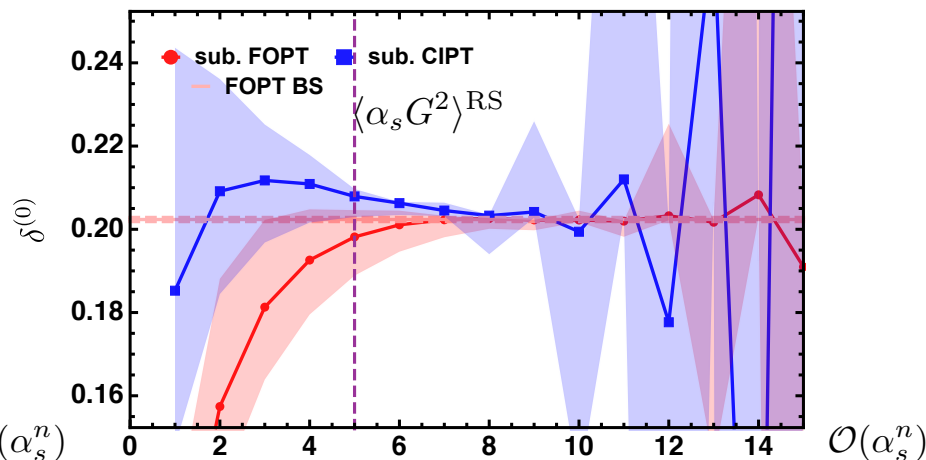
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New RF GC Scheme !

- Discrepancy between CIPT and FOPT removed
- CIPT becomes consistent with FOPT (which is only slightly modified)
- Higher precision for  $\alpha_s$  determinations from hadronic tau decays achievable
- Additional uncertainty from uncertainties in  $N_g$

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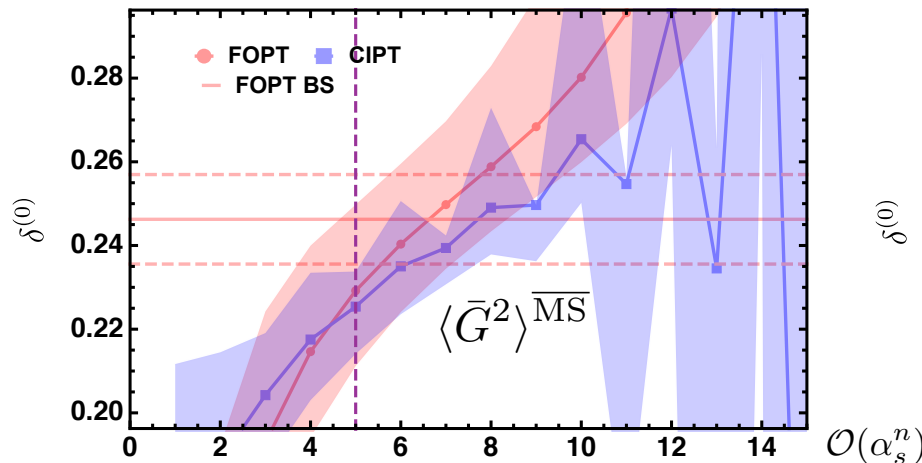
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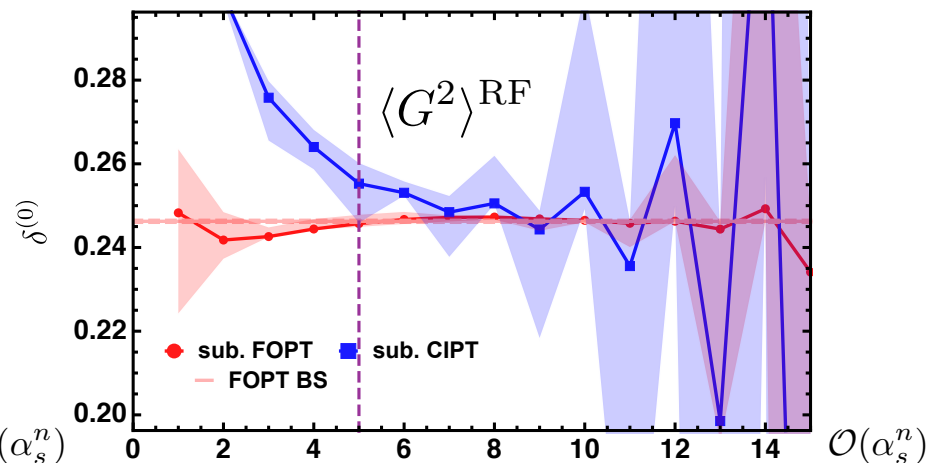
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New RF GC Scheme !

- FOPT and CIPT expansions both get improved substantially
- Spectral function moments with high sensitivity to the GC can now be used for high-precision determinations of the strong coupling and the GC

# GC Renormalon Normalization

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GC Norm in the Adler function's Borel function:

$$B[\hat{D}(s)]_{GC}(u) = \frac{2\pi^2 N_g [1 - \frac{22}{81}\bar{a}(-s)]}{3 (2-u)^{1+4\hat{b}_1}} \quad \bar{a}(\mu^2) \equiv \frac{\beta_0 \bar{\alpha}_s(\mu^2)}{4\pi} \quad \hat{b}_1 \equiv \frac{\beta_1}{2\beta_0^2}$$

## Multi-renormalon model approach

Beneke, Jamin 2008

$$B[\hat{D}(s)]_{mr}(u) = b^{(0)} + b^{(1)}u + \frac{2\pi^2 N_g [1 - \frac{22}{81}\bar{a}(-s)]}{3 (2-u)^{1+4\hat{b}_1}} + \frac{N_6}{(3-u)^{1+6\hat{b}_1}} + \frac{N_{-2}}{(1+u)^{2-2\hat{b}_1}}$$

$$c_{0,1} = c_{1,1} = 1, \quad c_{2,1} = 1.640$$

$$c_{3,1} = 6.371$$

$$c_{4,1} = 49.076$$

$$c_{5,1} = 280 \pm 140$$



$$N_g = 0.64 \pm 0.27$$

## Conformal mapping approach

Lee 2012

$$w(u, p) = \frac{\sqrt{1+u} - \sqrt{1-\frac{u}{p}}}{\sqrt{1+u} + \sqrt{1-\frac{u}{p}}}$$

$$\tilde{B}(u) \equiv \frac{3(2-u)^{1+4\hat{b}_1}}{2\pi^2} B[\hat{D}(s)](u)$$

GC renormalon-free

u=2 closest to the origin in the w plane  $N_g = \tilde{B}(w(2, p))$

Use  $c_{1,1}$  to  $c_{5,1}$  and  $w$ -expansion



$$N_g = 0.71 \pm 0.26$$

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## Optimal subtraction approach

New !

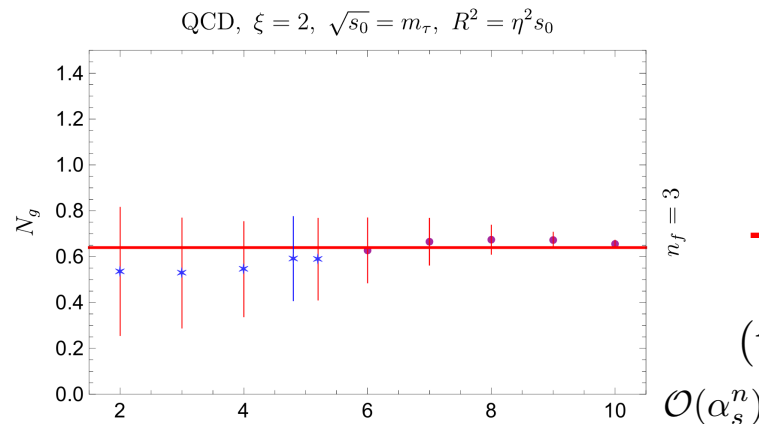
Use quantitative measure for improvements for GC suppressed and GC enhanced moments in the RF GC scheme

$$\chi_m^2(N_g) = \chi_{m,GCS}^2(N_g) + \chi_{m,GCE}^2(N_g)$$

Good convergence of 5 GC enhanced moments

Small discrepancy for 5 GC suppressed moments

Can precisely determine  $N_g$  for the Beneke-Jamin model



→  $N_g = 0.57 \pm 0.23$

(take  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^4)$  result)

# Strong Coupling Determinations

We repeat (in detail!) two state-of-the-art determination methods in the RF GC scheme:

Truncated OPE approach:

Pich, Rodriguez-Sanchez 2016

Duality Violation model approach:

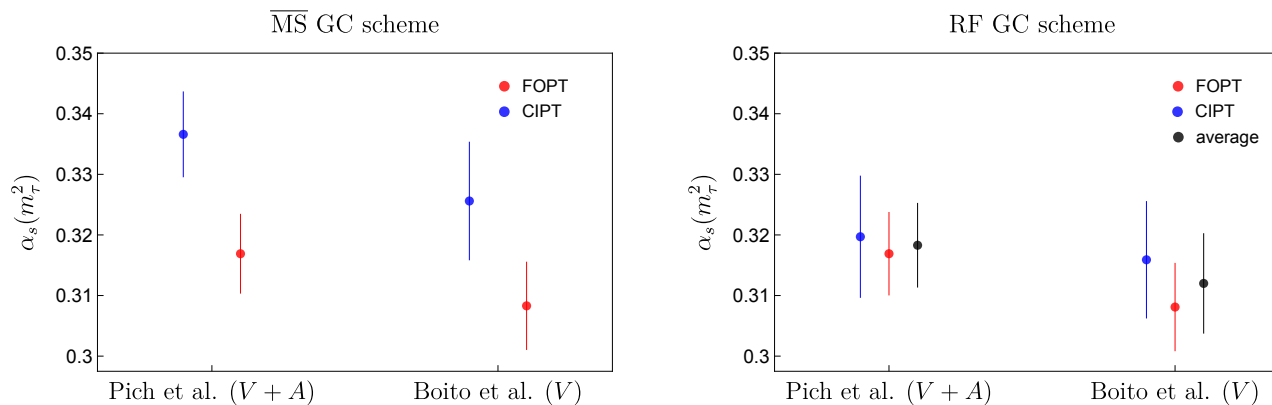
Boito, Golterman, Maltman, Peris, Rodriguez, Scharf 2021



Include uncertainties:

$$N_g = 0.57 \pm 0.23$$

$$0.7m_\tau \leq R \leq m_\tau$$



- FOPT-CIPT for GC suppressed moments remedied
- Taking average of FOPT and CIPT results now meaningful
- Spectral function moments with high sensitivity to the GC can now be used for high-precision determinations of the strong coupling and the GC
- Uncertainties due GC renormalon norm  $N_g$  and  $R$  variations very small !

# Summary and Conclusions

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- CIPT Borel representation different from FOPT Borel representation in the presence of IR renormalons. → **Asymptotic Separation**  
→ **CIPT expansion NOT consistent with standard OPE approach**
- Problems of CIPT resolved largely in renormalon-free RF gluon condensate (GC) scheme.  
→ CIPT<sup>RF</sup> “cured” and still useful
- We have devised such a GC scheme in the most minimalistic and transparent way. (Additional uncertainty from  $N_g$  (GC renormalon norm), and factorization scale  $R$ .)
- RF GC scheme: Disparity between CIPT and FOPT reconciled
- RF GC scheme: Moments with high sensitivity to the GC can be used for high precision analyses
- Excellent prospects for new high-precision determinations of the strong coupling

# (1) CIPT Borel Sum Contour Integration

The contour integration for the CIPT Borel representation must be deformed away from  $|x| = 1$ .

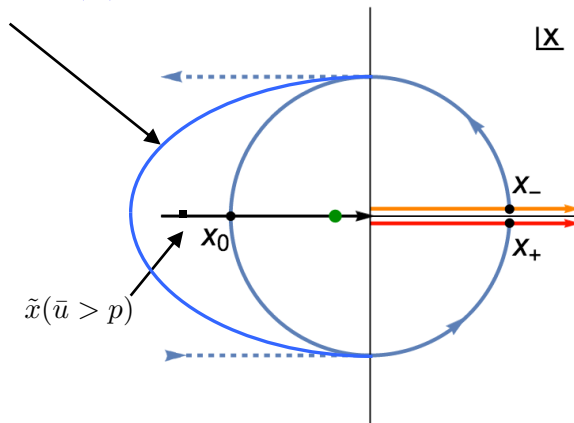
(Leaves FOPT Borel sum unchanged!)

Do the contour-integral first:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{\{(-x)^m, p, \gamma\}, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{CIPT}}(s_0) &= \int_0^\infty d\bar{u} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\mathcal{C}_x} \frac{dx}{x} (-x)^m \left(\frac{a(-x)}{a_0}\right) \frac{e^{-\frac{\bar{u}}{a_0}}}{\left(p - \frac{a(-x)}{a_0} \bar{u}\right)^\gamma} \\ &= \int_0^\infty d\bar{u} e^{-\frac{\bar{u}}{a_0}} \tilde{C}(p, \gamma, m, s_0; \bar{u}). \end{aligned}$$

pole in x-plane at  
( $\arg\beta_0$ )

Contour must always cross real axis for  $x < \tilde{x}(\bar{u})$



$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x}(\bar{u}) &= -e^{(\bar{u}-p)/pa_0} = -\left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{s_0}\right)^{\frac{p-\bar{u}}{p}} \\ &< -1 \quad \text{for } \bar{u} > p \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{x}(0) = -\left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{s_0}\right) \quad (\text{Landau pole})$$

$$\tilde{x}(\bar{u} \rightarrow \infty) \rightarrow -\infty$$



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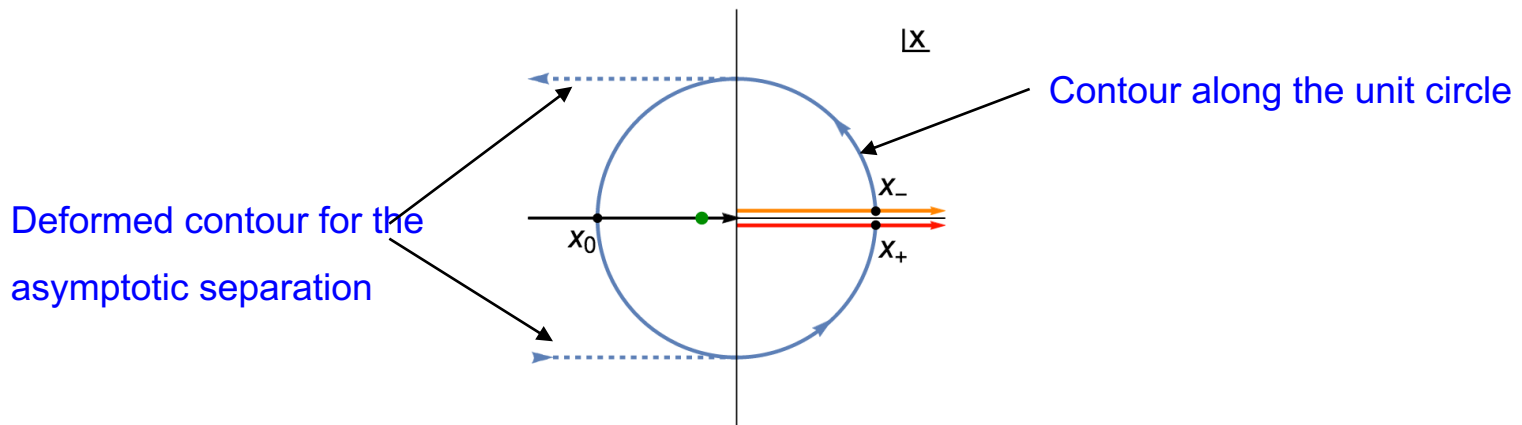
Do the Borel-u-integral first:

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \Delta(m, p, \gamma, s_0) &\equiv \delta_{\{(-x)^m, p, \gamma\}, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{CIPT}}(s_0) - \delta_{\{(-x)^m, p, \gamma\}, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{FOPT}}(s_0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\Gamma(\gamma)} \oint_{\mathcal{C}_x} \frac{dx}{x} (-x)^m \text{sig}[\text{Im}[a(-x)]] (a(-x))^{1-\gamma} e^{-\frac{p}{a(-x)}}. \end{aligned}$$

„Asymptotic Separation“

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 Cut along the negative real s-axis!      Power-suppressed  $\sim \left(\frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{s}\right)^p$

Remaining contour integration must be deformed (to negative real infinity in the x-plane)



# (3) Computation of the CIPT Borel Sum

An analytic continuation is mandatory to compute the CIPT Borel sum for  $m > p$

$$W(x) \sim x^m$$

$$B(u) \sim \frac{1}{(p-u)^\gamma}$$

$$\Delta(m, p, \gamma, s_0) \equiv \delta_{\{(-x)^m, p, \gamma\}, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{CIPT}}(s_0) - \delta_{\{(-x)^m, p, \gamma\}, \text{Borel}}^{(0), \text{FOPT}}(s_0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\Gamma(\gamma)} \oint_{\mathcal{C}_x} \frac{dx}{x} (-x)^m \text{sig}[\text{Im}[a(-x)]] (a(-x))^{1-\gamma} e^{-\frac{p}{a(-x)}} .$$

$$\sim x^{-p}$$

Properties of the asymptotic separation:

- Renormalization scheme invariant
- **Much larger than canonical FOPT Borel sum ambiguity estimate if the Borel function has a sizeable gluon condensate cut**
- Fully analytic results
- **Properties of CIPT Borel representation imply that OPE corrections for CIPT do not have the common standard form  $C x \langle \text{condensate} \rangle / s^p$**