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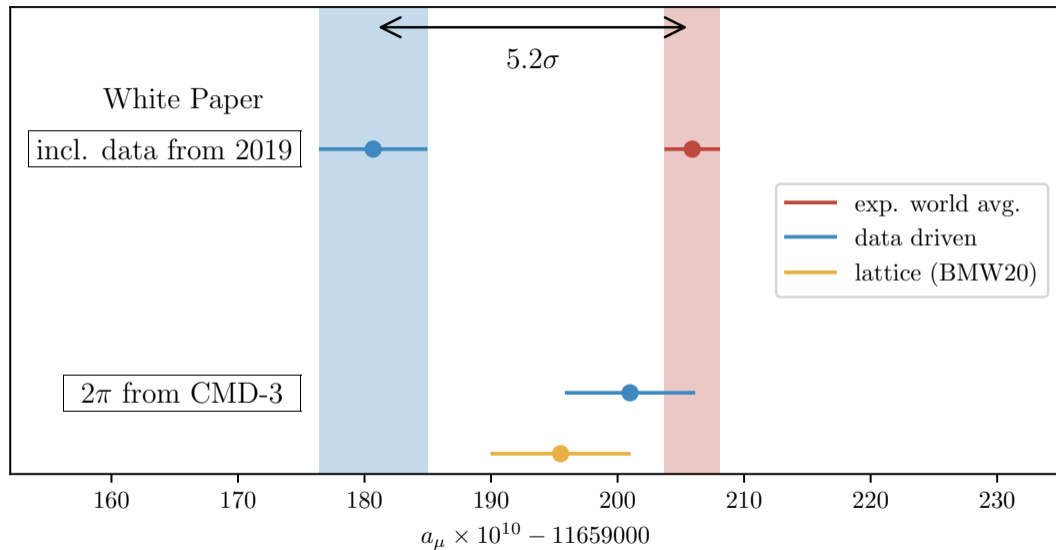
Radiative corrections and Monte Carlo tools for low-energy e^+e^- experiments

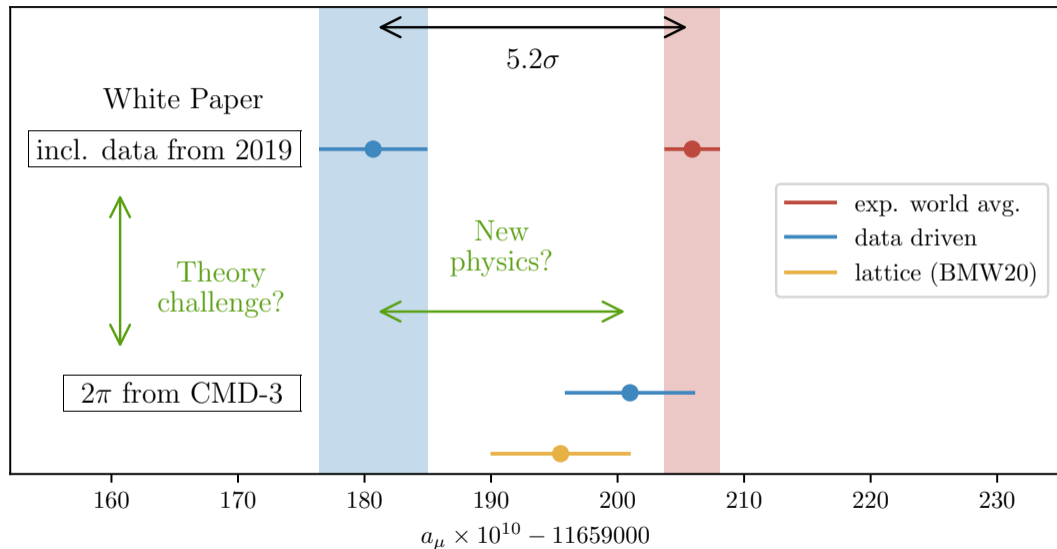
MCMULE's contributions to the Muon $g - 2$ puzzle

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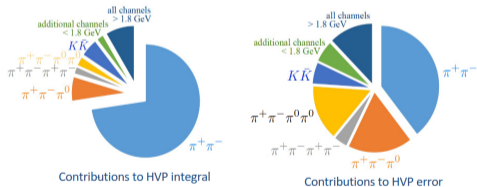


figure from [A. Denig]

- a) data driven (dispersion relation) → does rely on other experiments

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP}} \sim \int ds K(s) \sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}}(s)$$

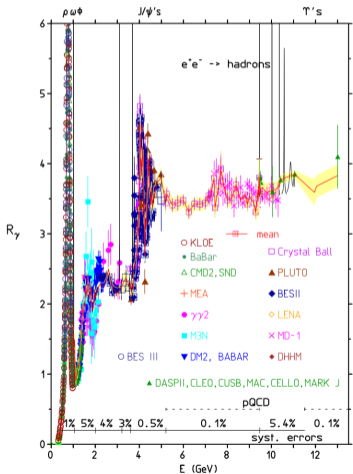
$K(s)$ known kernel function

- b) lattice QCD

⇒ disagreement between the two methods! the problem is bigger than $g - 2$!

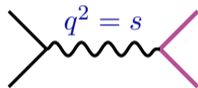
figure from [1511.04473]

$$R(s) = \frac{\sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}}(s)}{\sigma_{e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-}(s)}$$

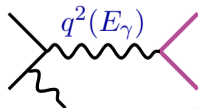


experiments need to cover huge range of s

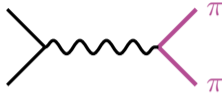
a) scan experiments: vary s manually (eg. CMD)



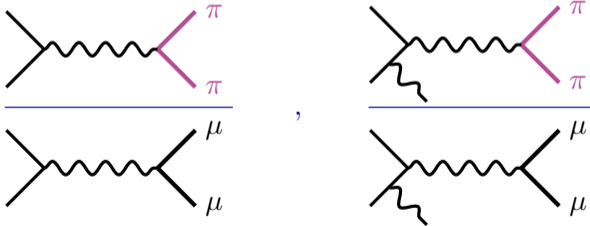
b) radiative return experiments: vary s via photon emission (eg. KLOE)



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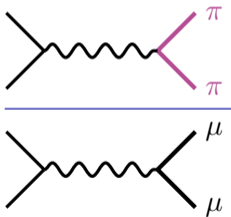
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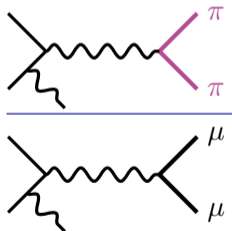
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what we need **Monte Carlo codes** !

important processes : $e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-(\gamma)$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$ $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)$

ongoing community effort for better Monte Carlo codes at $s \sim (\text{few GeV})^2$

- inspired by similar effort in 2009 [\[0912.0749\]](#)
- improve SM precision at low energy & provide input for $g - 2$ puzzle
 $g - 2$ disclaimer: see [\[official talk at 7th g-2 Plenary Workshop\]](#)
- study the importance of different contributions in realistic-ish environments
- start of comparisons of codes in Phase I
- **today** MCMULE's contributions & lessons learned

`radiomontecarlow2.gitlab.io`

Members during Phase I:

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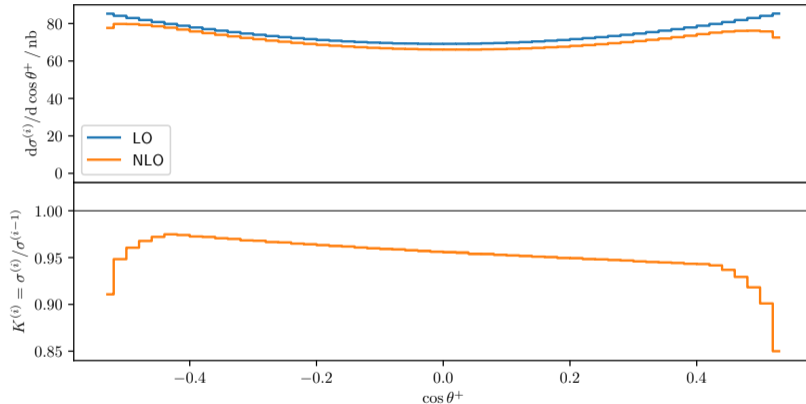
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$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma &= \int d\Phi_2 \left| \text{tree} + \text{1-loop} + \text{2-loop} + \dots \right|^2 \\
 &+ \int d\Phi_3 \left| \text{1-loop} + \text{2-loop} + \dots \right|^2 \\
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challenges to overcome

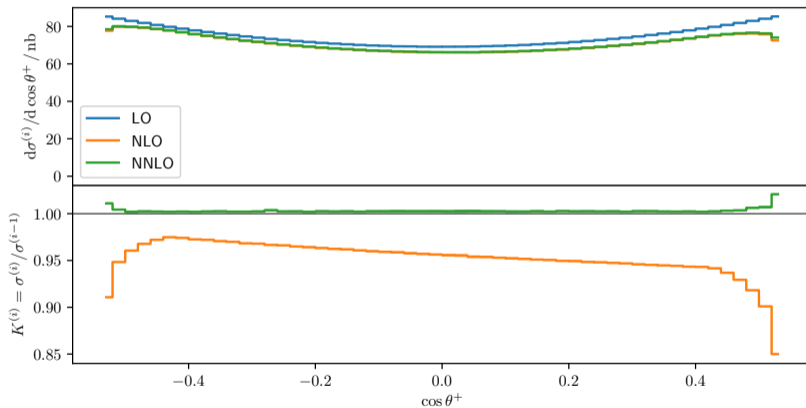
- divergent phase space integration
- ⇒ FKS^ℓ subtraction
- numerical instabilities in phase space integration
- ⇒ next-to-soft stabilisation
- virtual amplitudes with $m \neq 0$
- ⇒ OpenLoops (one-loop) massification (two-loop)

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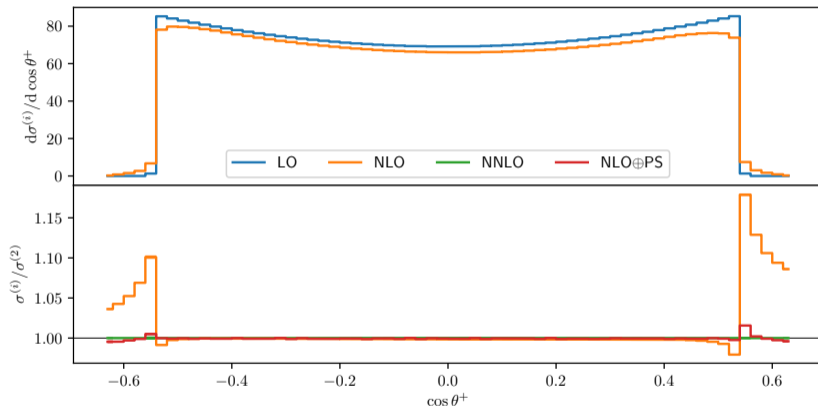


up to 10 % NLO effects due to large logarithms!
 → resummation via parton shower (PS), or NNLO?

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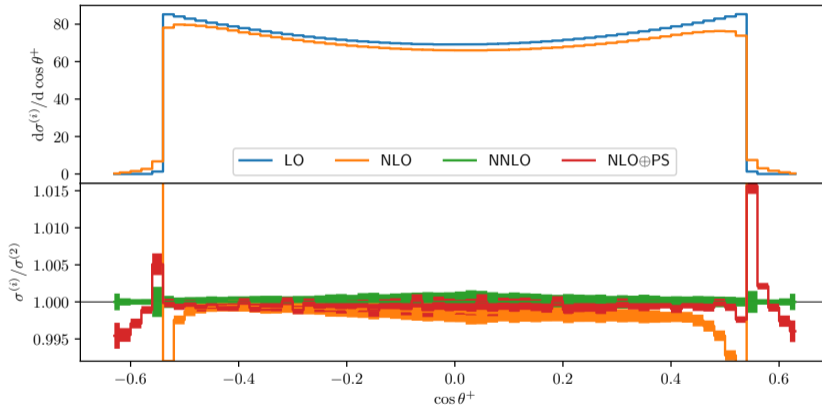


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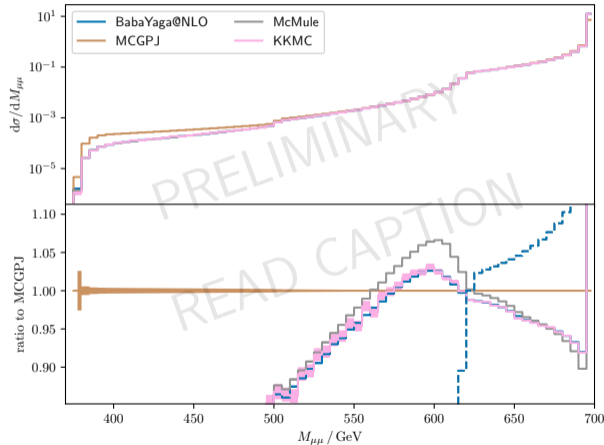
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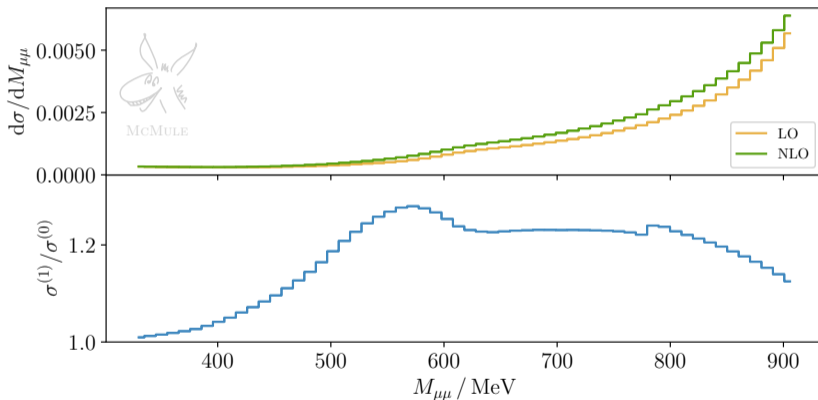
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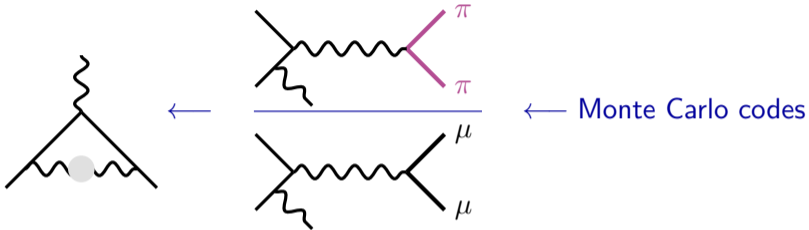


- fixed order NLO (blue dashed line):
BabaYaga@NLO = McMule
 - McMule's NNLO \approx BabaYaga@NLO's and KKMC's higher order effects
- \Rightarrow higher order effects dominated by one extra emission

$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\gamma$ @ KLOE-like ($\sqrt{s} = 1\text{GeV}$) (more details radiomontecarlo2.gitlab.io/plots/KLOE-LA/mm/)



NLO corrections large \implies we need NNLO for $2 \rightarrow 3$!



$g - 2$ issues are involved

- exciting $e^+e^- \rightarrow$ hadrons developments ahead!
- comparison of Monte Carlo codes & effects included ongoing

McMule goals for 2025+

- NNLO for $ee \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$
- approximate higher orders
- NNLO initial state radiation for $ee \rightarrow \pi\pi\gamma$





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$$\underbrace{\int d\Phi_\gamma}_{\text{divergent and complicated}} \text{ (grey blob)} = \underbrace{\int d\Phi_\gamma}_{\text{complicated but finite}} \left(\text{ (grey blob)} - \text{ (green blob)} \right) + \underbrace{\int d\Phi_\gamma}_{\text{divergent but easy}} \text{ (green blob)}$$

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$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Diagram: a grey circle with four external lines and a wavy line} \\
 \xrightarrow{E_\gamma \rightarrow 0} \underbrace{\frac{1}{E_\gamma^2} \mathcal{E} \text{ Diagram: a green circle with four external lines}}_{\text{eikonal}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{E_\gamma} (\mathcal{D} + \mathcal{S}) \text{ Diagram: a green circle with four external lines}}_{\text{next-to-soft}} + \mathcal{O}(E_\gamma^0)
 \end{array}$$