

**τ INPUT TO A HYBRID STRATEGY FOR THE
LATTICE COMPUTATION OF $a_{\mu}^{LO,HVP}$**

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OUTLINE

- *Background/context/the lattice $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ effort*
- *Low- Q^2 systematics in the lattice approach*
- *Reliable low- Q^2 fit forms and a hybrid strategy*
- *Some first trial implementations using existing RBC/UKQCD $n_f = 2 + 1$ DWF ensembles*

BACKGROUND/GENERALITIES

- $\hat{\Pi}(Q^2) \equiv \Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0)$, $\rho(s)$: the subtracted EM current polarization and corresponding spectral function
- $\rho(s) = R(s)/12\pi^2$ (from $\sigma^{bare}[e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}]$)
- Conventional dispersive $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ representation:

$$a_\mu^{LO,HVP} = \frac{\alpha_{EM}^2}{3\pi^2} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{K(s)}{s} R(s)$$

- Euclidean Q^2 $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ integral representation

$$a_\mu^{LO,HVP} = 4\alpha_{EM}^2 \int_0^{\infty} dQ^2 f(Q^2) \hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$$

- Kernels $\frac{K(s)}{s}$, $f(Q^2)$ known, strongly peaked at low s , low Q^2 , respectively
- *Lattice approach*: $\hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$ at lattice Q^2 (from current-current 2-point functions) + fit forms (coarse Q^2 coverage, especially low Q^2) $\rightarrow a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$
- **NOTE**: Euclidean integral form **much** more low- Q^2 dominated than dispersive integral low- s dominated
 - ▷ *Euclidean*: $> 80\%$ from $Q^2 < 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$, $> 90\%$ from $Q^2 < 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - ▷ *Dispersive*: Need to go to $s \sim 1.2 \text{ GeV}^2$ to get $> 80\%$, $\sim 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ to get $> 90\%$

- **Advantage of lattice approach:** Simple $\hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$ structure expected below $Q^2 \sim 0.1, 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$ c.f. complicated $R(s)$ between $4m_\pi^2$ and $s \sim 1.2, 2 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Advantage, however, comes with a down side of more complicated systematic issues
- *This talk:* $\hat{\Pi}^{I=1}(Q^2)$ from $\rho^{I=1}(s)$ from hadronic τ decay data as “laboratory” for
 - ▷ Identification of systematic problems [GMP13]
 - ▷ Quantitative exploration, studies of potential solutions [GMP13, GMP14, and ongoing]

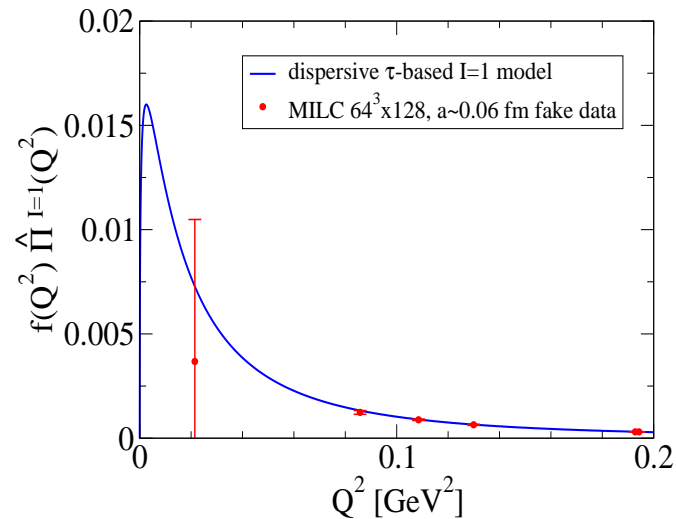
- The once-subtracted dispersion relation for $\Pi(Q^2)$

$$\hat{\Pi}(Q^2) = -Q^2 \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{\rho(s)}{s(s+Q^2)},$$

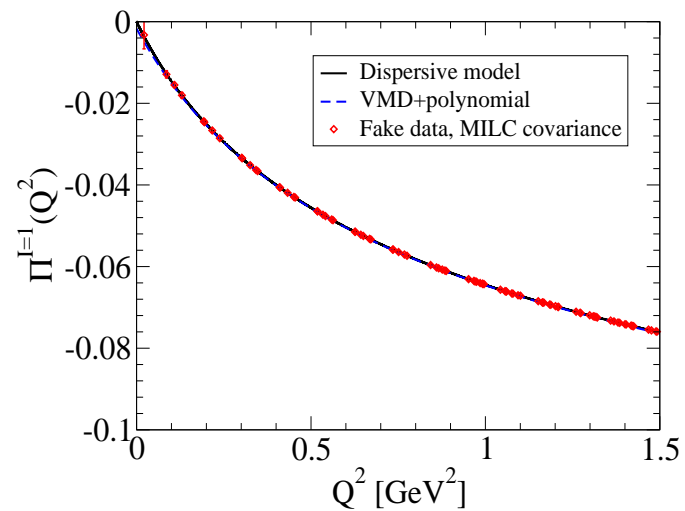
- ▷ $\rho(s) \geq 0 \Rightarrow$ all derivatives monotonic in Q^2 ; smaller curvature for $\hat{\Pi}$ at large Q^2 than small Q^2
- ▷ \Rightarrow potential systematic bias at low- Q^2 when fitting lattice data with many low-error large- Q^2 points and only a few large-error low- Q^2 points
- ▷ Study systematics using physical “dispersive model” for $\hat{\Pi}^{I=1}(Q^2)$, constructed using $\rho^{I=1}(s)$ from non-strange hadronic τ decays [For details, see S. Peris talk, 17:30, QCD IV]
- ▷ $[a_\mu^{LO,HVP}]^{I=1} \equiv \hat{a}_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ in what follows

More on the low- Q^2 systematic issues

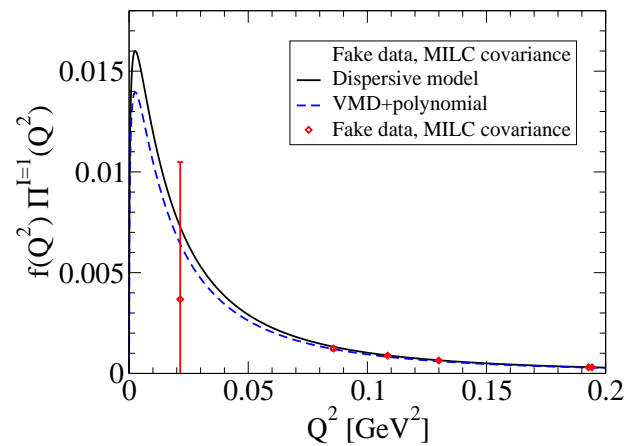
- Integrand peaked at very low Q^2 ($\sim m_\mu^2/4$ for $I=1$)
- Sparse low- Q^2 coverage, especially with PBCs



- Is the in-principle problem a real one?
 - ▷ E.g., good quality VMD+polynomial fit to fake data (underlying dispersive model + MILC covariance), fit interval $0 < Q^2 < 1 \text{ GeV}^2$



- ▷ Now: the resulting integrand in the low- Q^2 region, c.f. the underlying dispersive model version



- ▷ $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ “pull” (deviation from exact model value in units of nominal fit error) ~ 18

▷ Problem worse with more high- Q^2 fit points

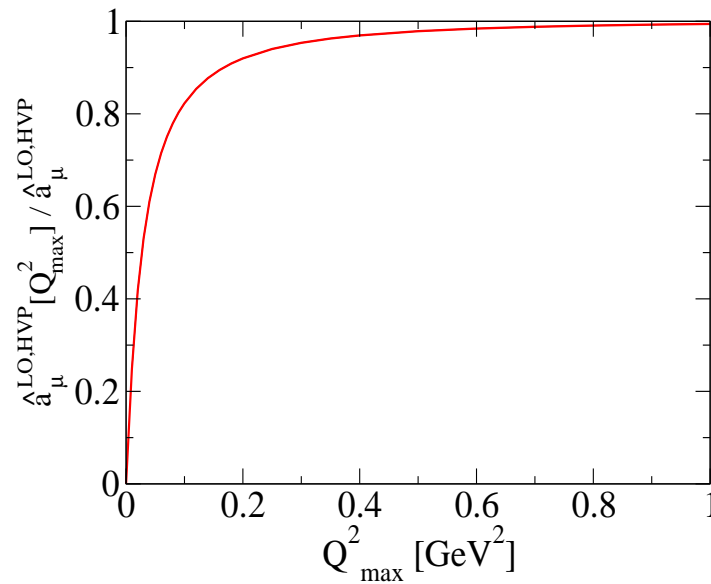
- Eg., $[2, 2]$ $\Pi^{I=1}(Q^2)$ Pade fit: $pull = 0.5$ for $0 \rightarrow 1 \text{ GeV}^2$ fit window $\rightarrow 4$ for $0 \rightarrow 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$
- Similarly for $[3, 2]$ Pade fit: $pull = 0.5$ on $0 \rightarrow 1 \text{ GeV}^2 \rightarrow 1.8$ on $0 \rightarrow 1.5 \text{ GeV}^2$

● Lessons

- ▷ Better focus on low- Q^2 region needed
- ▷ Systematic problem makes testing proposed fit strategies, e.g., using dispersive model, crucial

LOW- Q^2 CONTRIBUTIONS AND A HYBRID EVALUATION STRATEGY

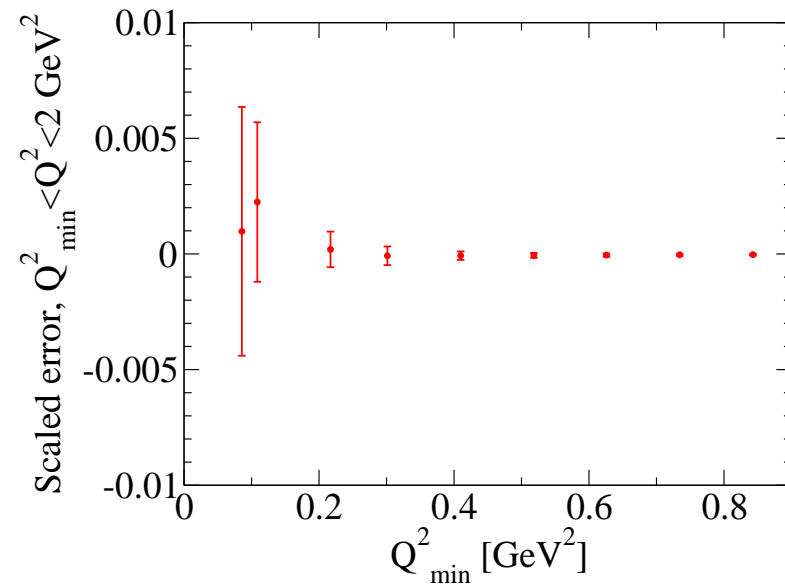
- Accumulation of $a_\mu^{LO,HVP} [0 \leq Q^2 \leq Q_{max}^2] \equiv a_\mu^{LO,HVP} [Q_{max}^2]$ wrt Q_{max}^2



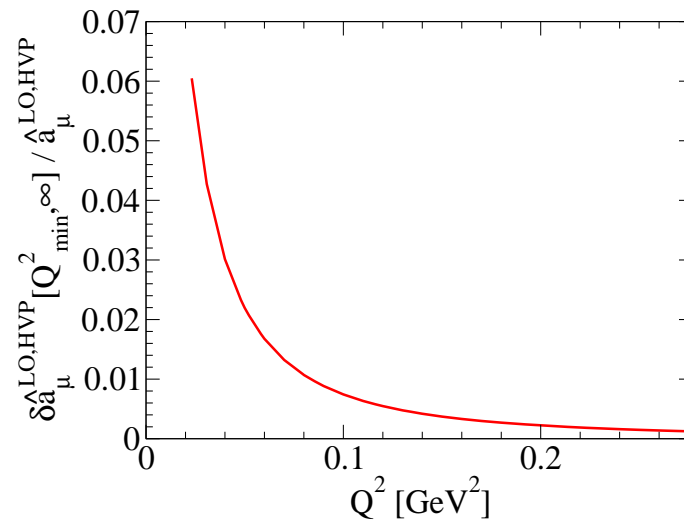
- More than 80% of $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ accumulated below $Q^2 = 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$, more than 90% below $Q^2 = 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - ▷ Bulk of contribution from low enough Q^2 that low-order Pade, conformal variable polynomial, ChPT representations likely to suffice
 - ▷ Required tolerance on $< 10\text{--}20\%$ contribution above $\sim 0.1 - 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2 \ll$ on low- Q^2 contribution
- Suggests hybrid strategy: low- Q^2 contributions by low- Q^2 -tailored (Pade, conformal polynomial, ChPT) representations, high- Q^2 by direct numerical integration

- Direct numerical integration above $Q^2 \sim 0.1 - 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - ▷ Trapezoid rule errors for $Q^2 > Q_{min}^2$ data
 - Statistical
 - Systematic (trapezoid rule approximation)
 - Uncertainty on $\Pi(0)$ entering $\hat{\Pi}(Q^2)$
 - ▷ Investigate using fake data from $I = 1$ dispersive model, MILC $64^3 \times 144$ $a \sim 0.06 \text{ fm}$ covariances
 - ▷ FIGURES: errors on $\hat{a}_\mu^{LO,HVP}[Q^2 > Q_{min}^2]$, as a fraction of $\hat{a}_\mu^{LO,HVP}$

- ▷ Systematic and statistical errors on the trapezoid rule evaluation as fractions of $\hat{a}_\mu^{LO,HVP}$



- ▷ **Impact of an uncertainty** $\delta\Pi^{I=1}(0) = 0.001$ on $\hat{a}_\mu^{\text{LO,HVP}}[Q^2 > Q_{\text{min}}^2]/a_\mu^{\text{LO,HVP}}$



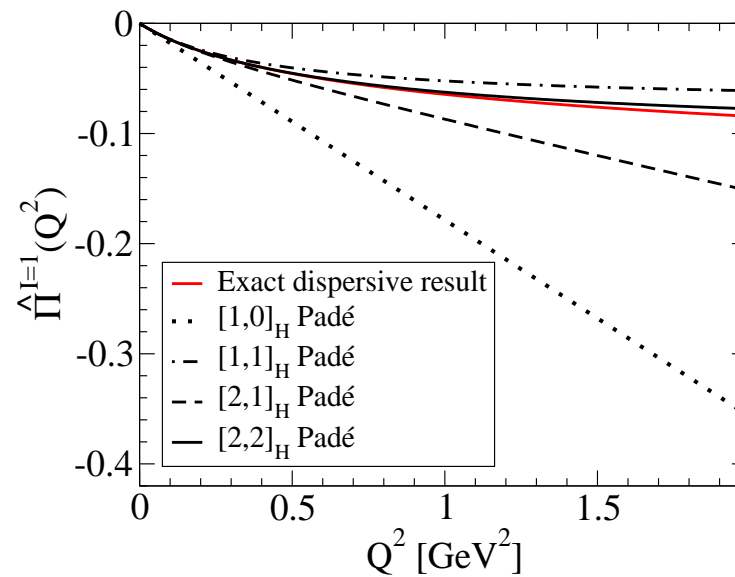
- ▷ Conservative assessment since low-degree conformal variable polynomial fits yield $\delta\Pi(0)$ a few $\times 10^{-4}$

- Successful strategies for low- Q^2 $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}[Q^2 < Q_{match}^2]$
 - ▷ Low-order Pades [Aubin, Blum, Golterman, Peris, PRD86 (2012) 054509; HPQCD, 1403.1778]
 - ▷ Low-degree polynomials in the conformal variable, $w(z)$, $z = \frac{Q^2}{4m_\pi^2}$, $w(z) = \frac{1-\sqrt{1+z}}{1+\sqrt{1+z}}$
 - ▷ Appropriately supplemented NNLO ChPT
- Will illustrate fixing parameters from derivatives of dispersive $\Pi^{I=1}(Q^2)$ wrt Q^2 at $Q^2 = 0$ [GMP14] (potentially determinable on lattice via HPQCD time-moment strategy or discrete-difference version thereof)

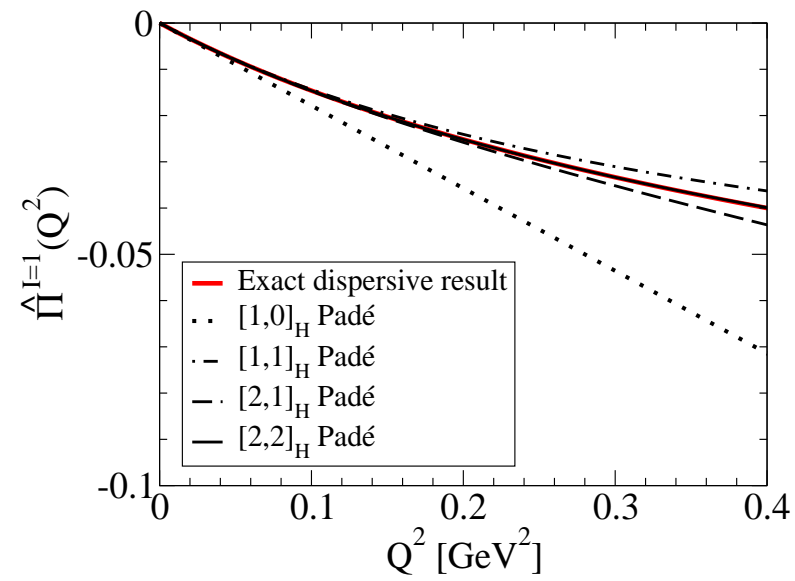
- **Low-order Pades**

▷ How low is low?

Pades c.f. dispersive model $0 < Q^2 < 2 \text{ GeV}^2$



Pades c.f. dispersive model $0 < Q^2 < 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$



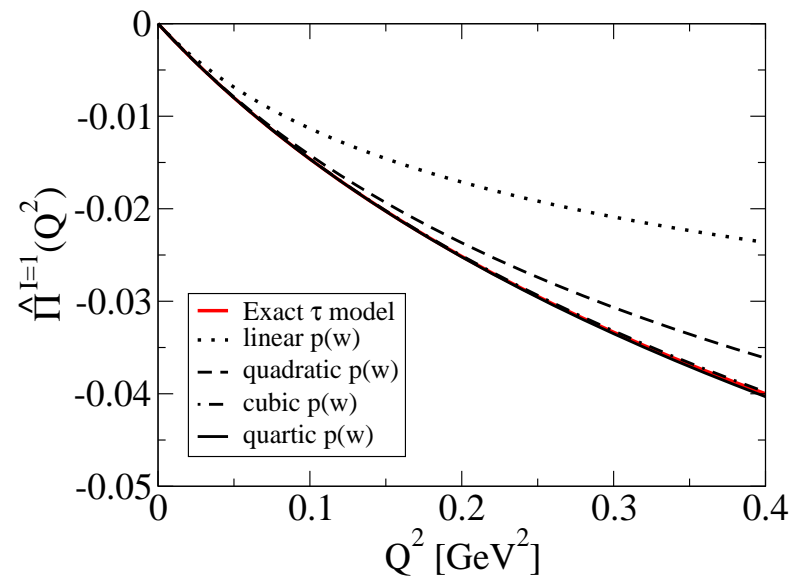
▷ **Low-order Pades: summary**

- With coefficients from $Q^2 = 0$ derivatives/time moments
 - * [1, 1] Pade (up to t^6 moments only) yields sub-1% $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ [$0 < Q^2 < Q_{match}^2$] systematic error up to $Q_{match}^2 > 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$
 - * [2, 2] Pade (up to t^{10} moment) needed for sub-1% systematic for $Q_{match}^2 \sim 2 \text{ GeV}^2$ and above
- ALTERNATE IMPLEMENTATION: Pade coefficients also determinable from fit to sufficiently accurate data in interval 0.1 to 0.2 GeV^2 [GMP14]

- **Low-degree polynomials in w**

▷ How low is low?

$$P(w) = \sum_{k=1}^N c_k w^k \text{ c.f. dispersive model,}$$
$$N = 1, \dots, 4, 0 < Q^2 < 0.4 \text{ GeV}^2$$

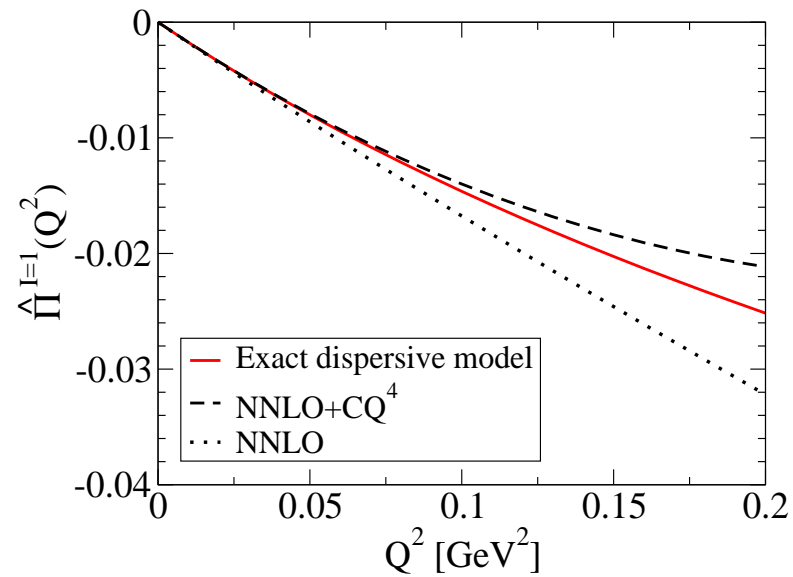


▷ **Low-order conformal polynomials: summary**

- With coefficients from $Q^2 = 0$ derivatives/time moments
 - * Quadratic/cubic $w(Q^2)$: sub-1% systematic error on $a_\mu^{LO,HVP} [0 < Q^2 < Q_{match}^2]$ for Q_{match}^2 up to $\sim 0.15 \text{ GeV}^2$ /well beyond 0.2 GeV^2
 - * Disadvantage c.f. Pades: no underlying theorem ensuring continuing improved convergence with increasing order at low order
- **ALTERNATE IMPLEMENTATION: $P(w)$ coefficients, c_k , determinable from fit to sufficiently accurate data in interval 0.1 to 0.2 GeV^2 [GMP14]**

- **Supplemented NNLO ChPT**

- ▷ Supplemented NNLO ChPT c.f. dispersive model
 $0 < Q^2 < 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$



- ▷ Sub-1% $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ [$0 < Q^2 < Q_{match}^2$] systematic error up to and somewhat above $Q_{match}^2 \sim 0.1 \text{ GeV}^2$, but deteriorates above this
- ▷ Alternative strategy of fitting required LECs in interval $0.1 - 0.2 \text{ GeV}^2$ not successful at the sub-1% level (additional curvature contributions beyond phenomenological NNNLO CQ^4 term)
- ▷ ChPT for $a_\mu^{LO,HVP}$ thus usable primarily with time-moments, or to cross-check other low- Q^2 methods
- ▷ Useful, however, for understanding low- Q^2 contribution m_π -dependence (linearity in m_π^2 used in most previous analyses not a good approximation)

A FEW PRELIMINARY RESULTS

- Excellent hybrid stability with Q_{match}^2 observed for both light, strange (connected) contributions
- Strange contribution from RBC/UKQCD DWF data, via HPQCD time-moments
 - ▷ Convergence already by [1, 1] Pade, as seen by HPQCD
 - ▷ Pade poles on cut, “alternation” of [1, 0], [1, 1], [2, 1], [2, 2] Pades around exact result as required (self-consistency checks)
 - ▷ $\left[a_{\mu}^{LO, HVP} \right]_s = (52.4 \pm 2.1) \times 10^{-10}$, c.f. $(53.4 \pm 0.6) \times 10^{-10}$ HPQCD, $(53 \pm 3) \times 10^{-10}$ ETM

- Preliminary results on the light contribution, RBC/UKQCD DWF data, HPQCD moments
 - ▷ Errors much larger than for strange
 - ▷ Spurious poles for [2, 2] Pade
 - ▷ Poles properly on cut for [1, 1], [2, 1] Pades
 - ▷ “Alternation” of lower [1, 0], [1, 1], [2, 1] Pades as required
 - ▷ Discrete-difference moments also being studied

CONCLUSIONS

- Lattice fits over sizable Q^2 range VERY dangerous
- Hybrid strategy viable with low-order Pades, low-degree conformal polynomials, supplemented NNLO ChPT for low- Q^2 contributions
- Excellent stability of hybrid evaluation wrt Q_{match}^2 , no blowing up of errors in hybrid approach
- Hybrid approach being currently pursued with new physical point RBC/UKQCD DWF data
- τ -data-based dispersive model useful for systematic studies of other approaches as well