

Mellin Approximants to Hadronic Vacuum Polarization

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E. de Rafael, Phys. Rev. D **96** (2017)

J. Charles, D.G. and E. de Rafael, Phys. Rev. **D97** (2018)

Work in progress with Jérôme Charles and Eduardo de Rafael

Anatomy of the muon anomaly

From the experimental value,

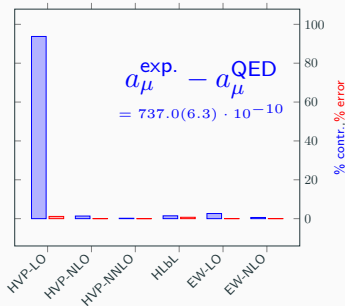
$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp.}} = 11659208.9(6.3) \cdot 10^{-10} (0.54 \text{ ppm})$$

there is a persistent discrepancy about $3\sigma - 4\sigma$ with the SM evaluation

$$\Delta a_{\mu} = a_{\mu}^{\text{exp.}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}} = 31.3 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

HVP-LO	692.6 ± 3.3	M. Davier (2016)
	688.8 ± 4.3	F. Jegerlehner (2017)
	693.3 ± 2.5	A. Keshavarzi <i>et al.</i> (2018)
HVP-NLO	-9.84 ± 0.07	K. Hagiwara <i>et al.</i> (2011)
	-9.93 ± 0.07	F. Jegerlehner (2017)
HVP-NNLO	$+1.24 \pm 0.01$	A. Kurz <i>et al.</i> (2014)
	$+1.22 \pm 0.01$	F. Jegerlehner (2017)
HLbL	$+10.5 \pm 2.6$	J. Prades <i>et al.</i> (2009)
	$+10.3 \pm 2.8$	F. Jegerlehner (2017)
EW-LO	19.48 ± 0.01	Collected papers (1972)
EW-NLO	-4.12 ± 0.1	C. Gnendiger <i>et al.</i> (2013)

All in 10^{-10} units



$$\Delta a_{\mu} \simeq a_{\mu}^{\text{QED}} (\alpha^4) \simeq 2a_{\mu}^{\text{EW}} \simeq 3a_{\mu}^{\text{HLbL}} \simeq 60a_{\mu}^{\text{QED}} (\alpha^5) \simeq 0.05 a_{\mu}^{\text{HVP-LO}}$$

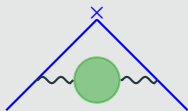
HVP contribution to the anomaly

HVP and a_μ

The two-point correlator Π obeys to the one sub. disp. rep. for $Q^2 = -q^2 > 0$

$$\text{wavy line with green circle} = \Pi(Q^2) = \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t} \left[\frac{-Q^2}{t+Q^2} \right] \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi(t)$$

which gives a contribution



$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t} \int_0^1 dx \frac{x^2(1-x)}{x^2 + \frac{t}{m_\mu^2}(1-x)} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi(t)$$

Determination of a_μ^{HVP}

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} &= \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t} \left[\frac{\frac{x^2}{1-x} m_\mu^2}{t + \frac{x^2}{1-x} m_\mu^2} \right] \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi(t) && \leftarrow \frac{t}{4\pi^2 \alpha} \sigma_{e\bar{e} \rightarrow \gamma^* \text{Had.}}(t) \\ &= - \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \Pi \left(\frac{x^2}{1-x} m_\mu^2 \right) && \leftarrow \text{LQCD, Models, ...} \end{aligned}$$

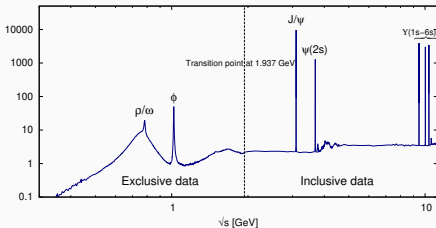
Spectral Function Moments

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} = \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty \frac{dt}{t} \left[\frac{\frac{x^2}{1-x} m_\mu^2}{t + \frac{x^2}{1-x} m_\mu^2} \right] \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi(t) = - \int_0^1 dx (1-x) \Pi \left(\frac{x^2}{1-x} m_\mu^2 \right)$$

Both integrals are related through the **moments** of $\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$)

$$\mathcal{M}(-n) = \int_{4m_\pi^2}^\infty \frac{dt}{t} \left(\frac{4m_\pi^2}{t} \right)^n \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi(t) = \frac{(-4m_\pi^2)^n}{n!} \left. \frac{\partial^n \Pi(t)}{\partial t^n} \right|_{t=0}$$

It is a Stieljes moments problem: How to get $\Pi(t)$ for any t knowing its moments?



From A. Keshavarzi *et al.* Phys. Rev. D **97** (2018)

Bell - de Rafael Bound

The first moment is an **upper bound**

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} \leq \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{m_\mu^2}{4m_\pi^2} \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{M}(0)$$

Actually a good approximation for a_μ^{HVP} .

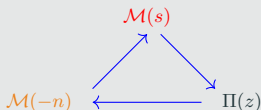
J. Bell and E. de Rafael Nucl. Phys. B **11** (1969)

The Mellin Approximants

Inverse Mellin Representation

Ramanujan Master Theorem $z \doteq Q^2/4m_\pi^2$

$$\int_0^\infty dz z^{s-1} \left[-\frac{1}{z} \Pi(z) \underset{z \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \mathcal{M}(0) - \mathcal{M}(-1)z + \mathcal{M}(-2)z^2 + \dots \right] = \Gamma(s)\Gamma(1-s) \mathcal{M}(s)$$



The discrete moments $\mathcal{M}(-n)$ coincides at $s = -j$ with $\mathcal{M}(s)$ for $s \in \mathbb{C}$. $\mathcal{M}(s)$ provides the analytic continuation of $\Pi(z)$ for $z \in \mathbb{C}$.

Mellin transform and transform

The inverse Mellin representation of Π ($0 < c < 1$)

$$\Pi(z) = -z \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \frac{ds}{2i\pi} z^{-s} \Gamma(s)\Gamma(1-s) \mathcal{M}(s)$$

$$\Gamma(s)\Gamma(1-s) \mathcal{M}(s) \underset{\text{Re } s \leq 0}{\sim} \frac{\mathcal{M}(0)}{s} - \frac{\mathcal{M}(-1)}{s+1} + \frac{\mathcal{M}(-2)}{s+2} + \dots$$

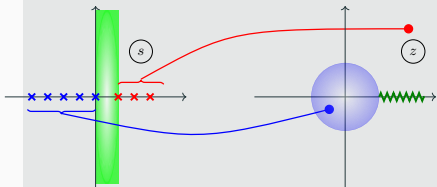
$$\underset{\text{Re } s \geq 1}{\sim} -\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{5}{3} \frac{N_c}{3} \frac{1}{(s-1)^2} + \dots$$

from the first order perturbative QCD result: $\Pi(z) \underset{z \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} -\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{5}{3} \frac{N_c}{3} z \ln z$.

Inverse Mellin transform and the anomaly

Mellin transform

$$\mathcal{M}(s) = \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t} \left(\frac{t}{4m_\pi^2} \right)^{s-1} \frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi(t)$$



Singularities in s -plane drives behaviours in the full z -plane.

HVP anomaly contribution and Inverse Mellin transform

E. de Rafael, Phys. Lett. B 736 522 (2014)

$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}} = -\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{m_\mu^2}{4m_\pi^2} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \frac{ds}{2i\pi} \left(\frac{m_\mu^2}{4m_\pi^2} \right)^{-s} \Gamma(3-2s) \Gamma(-3+s) \Gamma(1+s) \mathcal{M}(s)$$

$\mathcal{M}(s)$ and its singularities drive completely the contribution to the anomaly.

The Marichev - de Rafael Approximation

One claims that $\mathcal{M}(s)$ can be written as (λ, a, b, c and d parameters)

$$\mathcal{M}(s) \approx \mathcal{M}_N(s) = \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n \prod_{i,j,k,l} \frac{\Gamma(a_i - s)\Gamma(c_j + s)}{\Gamma(b_k - s)\Gamma(d_l + s)}$$

Recall of Mellin-Barnes integrals properties

M. Passare et al. , Cont. Comp. An.Geo., Aspects of Mathematics, vol. E26 (1994)

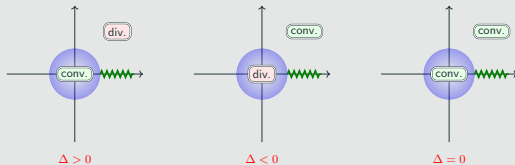
M. Passare et al., Theor. Math. Phys. **109** (1997) 1544

$$I(z) = \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \frac{ds}{2\pi i} z^{-s} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^m \Gamma(A_j s + B_j)}{\prod_{k=1}^n \Gamma(C_k s + D_k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \begin{cases} \Delta \doteq \sum_{j=1}^m A_j - \sum_{k=1}^n C_k \\ \alpha \doteq \sum_{j=1}^m |A_j| - \sum_{k=1}^n |C_k| \end{cases}$$

$I(z)$ converges for $|\arg z| < \frac{\pi}{2}\alpha$

- If $\Delta > 0$ or $\Delta < 0$ the series expansions are not convergent everywhere.
- If $\Delta = 0$ the two expansions for $|z| < 1$ and $|z| > 1$ converges.
- If $\Delta = 0$ and $\alpha > 0$ each of the two series is an analytic continuation of the other.

The Mellin Approximants



If we **impose** to

- The fundamental strip is invariant: the first pole on the right is at $s = 1$.
- Let unchanged the values of $\mathcal{M}(-n)$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ then $j = 0$ and $d_l \notin \mathbb{N}$
- The Mellin representation is convergent for any value of z :
 $\Delta = k + 1 - i - l = 0$.
- The analyticity is unchanged *i.e.* the expansion for $|z| < 1$ is the analytic continuation of the expansion at $|z| > 1$: $\alpha = i - k - l > 0$ or $l = 0$

Therefore the **The Mellin Approximants written as**

$$\mathcal{M}_{(N, N')}(s) = \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n \prod_{k=1}^{N'} \frac{\Gamma(a_{n,k} - s)}{\Gamma(b_{n,k} - s)}$$

are a convergent integral representation for all Q^2 .

Identification

- The matching of the first $N + 2N' - 2$ moments of the spectral function:

$$\forall j \in \{0, 1, \dots, N + 2N' - 2\}, \mathcal{M}_{(N, N')}(-j) = \mathcal{M}(-j)$$

- The first order of perturbative QCD residue fixes 2 constraints:

$$\mathcal{M}_{(N, N')}(s) \underset{s \rightarrow 1}{\sim} \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{5}{3} \frac{N_c}{3} \frac{1}{s-1}$$

Therefore constants λ , a and b 's are fixed ($\lambda_1 = 1$ and $b_{1,1} \geq 2$)

$$\mathcal{M}_{(N, N')}(s) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{5}{3} \frac{N_c}{3} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n \frac{\Gamma(1-s)}{\Gamma(b_{1,1}-s)} \prod_{k=2}^{N'} \frac{\Gamma(a_{n,k}-s)}{\Gamma(b_{n,k}-s)}$$

Physics constraints

But they are not **unique**, because of the polynomial relation: $\Gamma(z+1) = z\Gamma(z)$

The **positivity of $\text{Im} \Pi$** implies that $\mathcal{M}(-x)$ for $x \in \mathbf{R}_+$ is a **completely monotonic function**. We choose among all the solutions the set preserving this property.

Reconstruction of Π

Since

$$\Pi_{\text{Approx.}}(Q^2) = -\frac{Q^2}{4m_\pi^2} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \frac{ds}{2i\pi} \left(\frac{Q^2}{4m_\pi^2}\right)^{-s} \Gamma(s)\Gamma(1-s) \mathcal{M}_{(N,N')}(s)$$

this expression corresponds to a combination of **Meijer's G - functions**

$$\Pi_{\text{Approx.}}(Q^2) = -\frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{5}{3} \frac{N_c}{3} \frac{Q^2}{4m_\pi^2} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n G_{N'+1, N'+1}^{1, N'+1} \left(\begin{matrix} 0, 0, \dots, 1 - a_{n, N'} \\ 0, 1 - b_{n, 1}, \dots, 1 - b_{n, N'} \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{Q^2}{4m_\pi^2} \right)$$

Meijer's G-functions are an extension of the usual hypergeometric functions. Their analytic continuation is well-defined.

Example:

$$G_{2,2}^{1,2} \left(\begin{matrix} 0, 1 \\ 0, 1 \end{matrix} \middle| z \right) = \begin{cases} \ln(1-z) & |z| < 1 \\ \ln(z-1) + i\pi & |z| > 1 \end{cases}$$

The QED Vacuum Polarization example

QED 4th vacuum polarization contribution

Källen and Sabry (1954), B. Lautrup and E. de Rafael (1968)

The diagram shows a green circle representing a photon propagator with a wavy line extending from it. This is equal to the sum of three diagrams: a blue circle with a gear-like outer boundary, a blue circle with a smooth outer boundary, and a blue circle with a curly outer boundary. Each diagram has a wavy line extending from the circle.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^2 \left\{ \frac{5\delta}{8} - \frac{3\delta^3}{8} - \left(\frac{\delta}{2} - \frac{\delta^3}{6}\right) \ln \left[\frac{64\delta^4}{(1-\delta^2)^3} \right] \right. \\ &+ \left. \left(\frac{11}{16} + \frac{11\delta^2}{24} - \frac{7\delta^2}{48} + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\delta^2}{3} - \frac{\delta^4}{6} \right) \ln \left[\frac{(1+\delta)^3}{8\delta^2} \right] \right) \ln \left(\frac{1+\delta}{1-\delta} \right) \right. \\ &+ \left. \left(1 + \frac{2\delta^2}{3} - \frac{\delta^4}{6} \right) \left[2\text{Li}_2 \left(\frac{1-\delta}{1+\delta} \right) + \text{Li}_2 \left(\frac{\delta-1}{1+\delta} \right) \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

with $\delta^2 = 1 - 1/z$

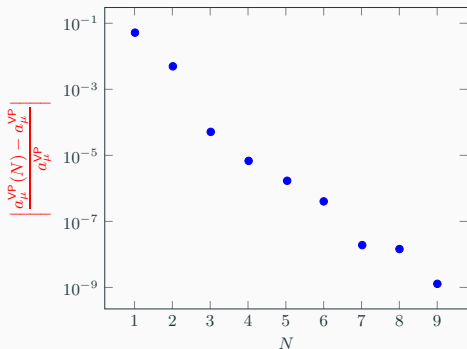
All discrete moments $\mathcal{M}(-j)$ can be generated (even $\mathcal{M}(s)$).

J. Mignaco and E. Remiddi (1969)

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\text{VP}} &= \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 \left\{ \frac{673}{108} - \frac{41}{81}\pi^2 - \frac{4}{9}\pi^2 \log(2) - \frac{4}{9}\pi^2 \log^2(2) + \frac{4}{9} \log^4(2) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{7}{270}\pi^4 + \frac{13}{18}\zeta(3) + \frac{32}{3}\text{Li}_4 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right\} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 0.0528707 \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{VP}} = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)^3 0.0528707 \dots$$

All in $(\alpha/\pi)^3$ units



Input $\mathcal{M}(-j)$	$a_{\mu}^{\text{VP}}(N)$	Accuracy
$j = 0$	0.0500007	5%
$j = \{0, 1\}$	0.0531447	0.5%
$j = \{0, 1, 2\}$	0.0528678	0.004%
$j = \{0, \dots, 3\}$	0.0528711	0.00075%
$j = \{0, \dots, 4\}$	0.0528706	0.00018%

Convergence

The very illustrative example of QED shows that the **Mellin Approximation converges very quickly** ($\Delta \sim 10^{-N}$).

Unfortunately the degree of complexity (the number of solutions for the matching) increases too ($\sim N^2$).

The QCD HVP Contribution

A. Keshavarzi et al. Phys. Rev. D **97** (2018)

Experimental evaluation of the anomaly

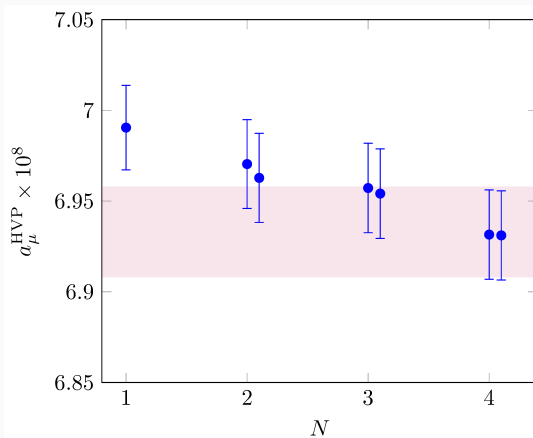
$$a_\mu^{\text{HVP}}(\text{exp.}) = (693.3 \pm 2.5) \times 10^{-10}$$

Moment $\mathcal{M}(-j)$	Experimental Value $\times 10^3$	Relative Error
0	0.7176 ± 0.0026	0.36%
1	0.11644 ± 0.00063	0.54%
2	0.03041 ± 0.00029	0.95%
3	0.01195 ± 0.00017	1.4%
4	0.00625 ± 0.00011	1.8%
5	0.003859 ± 0.000078	2.0%
...

Kindly provided by Alex Keshavarzi and Thomas Teubner

Application of Mellin Approximation

Input	Approximant	Central Value	Stat. Uncert.
0	1	699.1	2.3
{0, 1}	1 + 1	697.0	2.4
{0, 1, 2}	2 + 1	695.7	2.5
{0, ..., 3}	2 + 1 + 1	693.2	2.5



The simplest case: The Beta approximant

The Beta approximant case

One considers a simple case ($N, N' = 1$) and $a_n = n$, one has

$$\mathcal{M}_N(s) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{5}{3} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n \Gamma(b_n - n) \frac{\Gamma(n - s)}{\Gamma(b_n - s)}$$

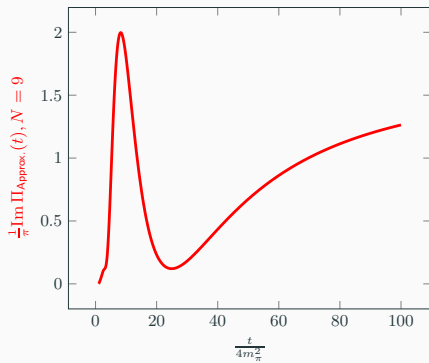
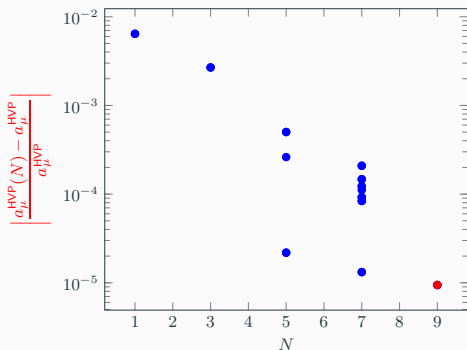
with $\lambda_1 = 1$ and $b_n \geq n + 1$ for guaranteeing the positivity. One gets

$$\Pi_{\text{Approx.}}(Q^2) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \frac{5}{3} \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n \frac{\Gamma(b_n - n)}{\Gamma(b_n)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} 1, n \\ b_n \end{matrix} \middle| -\frac{Q^2}{4m_\pi^2} \right)$$

and an associated spectral function

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \Pi_{\text{Approx.}}(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N \lambda_n \left(\frac{4m_\pi^2}{t} \right)^{n-1} \left(1 - \frac{4m_\pi^2}{t} \right)^{b_n - n - 1} \vartheta(t - 4m_\pi^2)$$

The simplest case: The Beta approximant



Convergence for QCD

The simplest case of Mellin Approximants for the QCD HVP converges quickly to the experimental value for the anomaly.

The associated imaginary part shows a resonance structure.

Conclusion

- We have built the **Mellin Approximation** to the spectral function from few of its moments. This approximation is
 - valid for any value of Q^2 .
 - preserving the analytic structure (cuts, singularities,...) – contrary to Padé approximants.
 - converging fast (for a moderate complexity).
- The **Mellin Approximation** is well adapted to QCD because only asymptotic behaviours are used (no extra scales).
- Regarding the HVP contribution to the muon anomaly, we are able to reproduce experimental evaluation with **4 moments**.
- We are working on adapting this method to Lattice QCD evaluation: not by matching on moments because they are difficult to obtain but on values of $\Pi(Q^2)$ directly, more precisely on the Time Momentum Representation of it.