



# FSR and $\rho$ -width IB corrections beyond scalar QED and their impact on muon $g-2$

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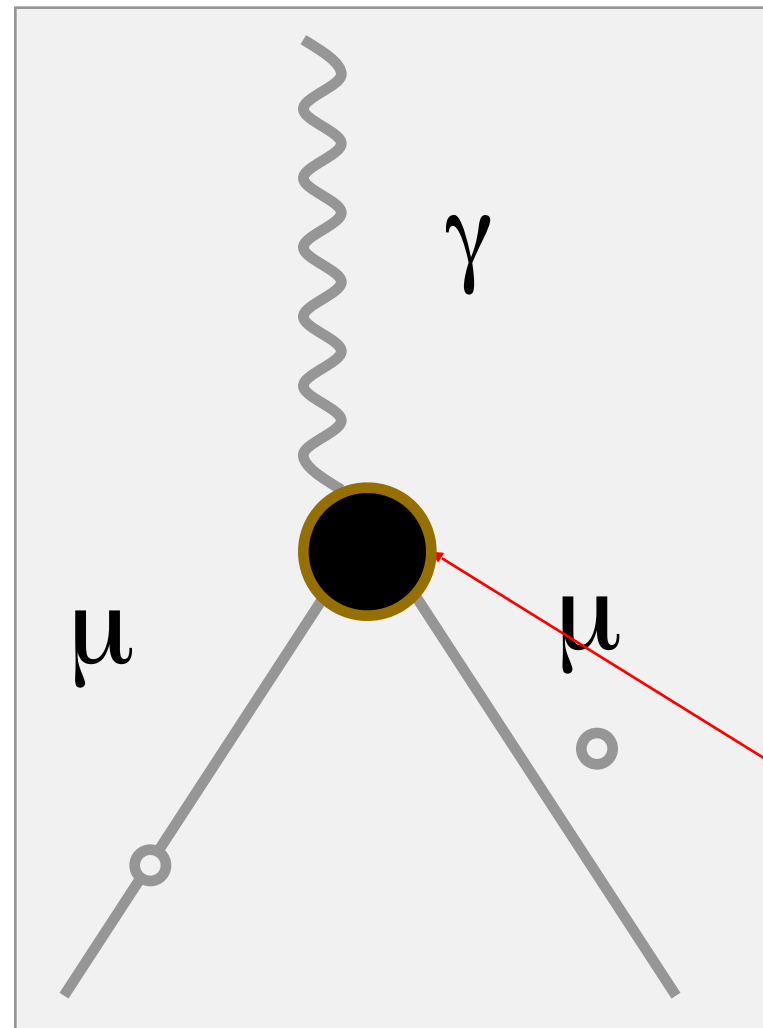


# Outline

- Motivation: Muon  $g-2$
- Hadronic vacuum polarization (HVP) from tau data
- Isospin symmetry breaking (IB) corrections
- Neutral-charged rho meson width difference
  - Radiative corrections, sQED and structure dependence
- Structure dependent effects on final state radiation (FSR)
- Impact on muon  $g-2$
- Conclusions

# Muon g-2

Magnetic dipole moment is related to the intrinsic spin by the gyromagnetic ratio  $g$



$$\vec{\mu} = g_{\mu} \frac{e\hbar}{2m_{\mu}c} \vec{S}$$

Schwinger '48

$$g_{\mu} = 2\left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{2\pi} + \dots\right)$$

normal

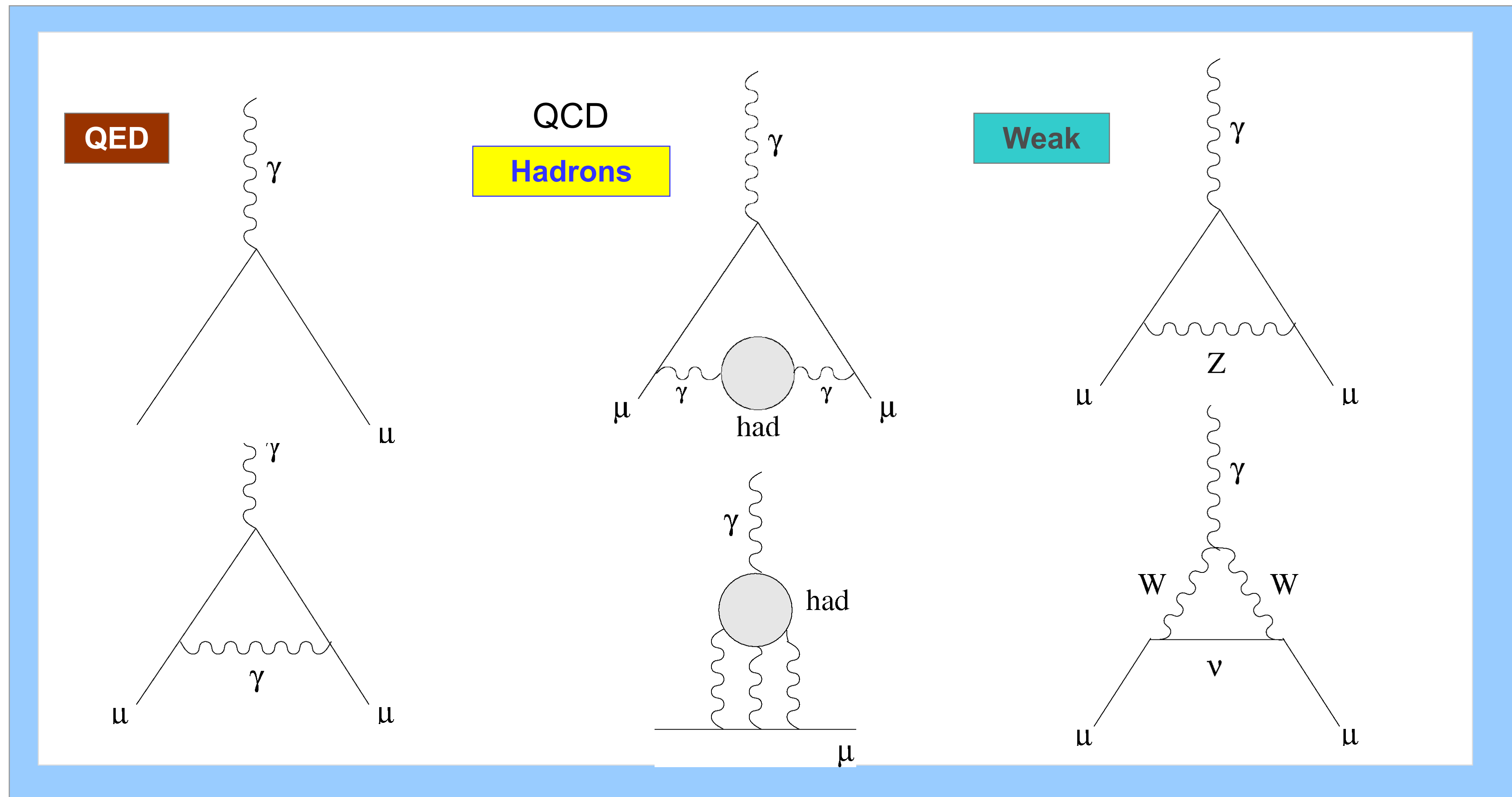
anomalous

$$\Gamma_{\mu} = e\gamma_{\mu} + a_{\ell} \frac{ie}{2m} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q_{\nu}$$

It can be studied throughout the electromagnetic vertex

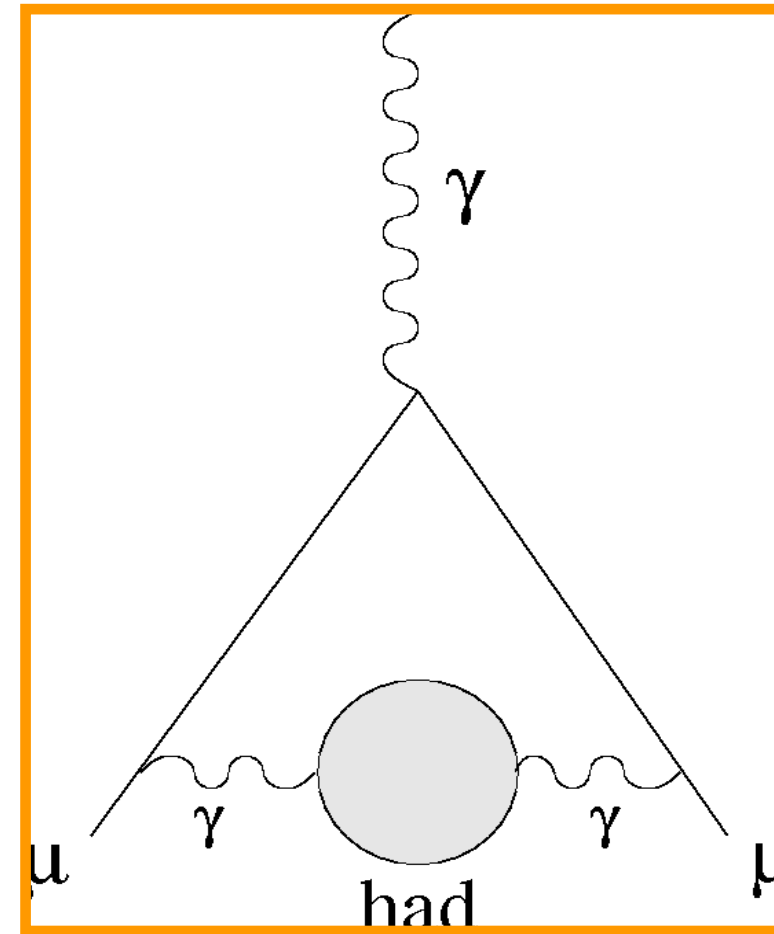
$$a_{\mu} \equiv \frac{g - 2}{2}$$

# Theory





# Hadronic Vacuum Polarization



*HADRONIC  
CORRECTIONS*

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{had}} = \frac{\alpha^2}{3\pi^2} \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^{\infty} ds \frac{K(s)}{s} R(s)$$

Decreases with energy,  
Low energy part of integral is important

$$12\pi \text{Im} \Pi_{\gamma}(s) = \frac{\sigma^{(0)}[e^+e^- \rightarrow \text{hadrons}]}{\sigma^{(0)}[e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-]} \equiv R(s)$$

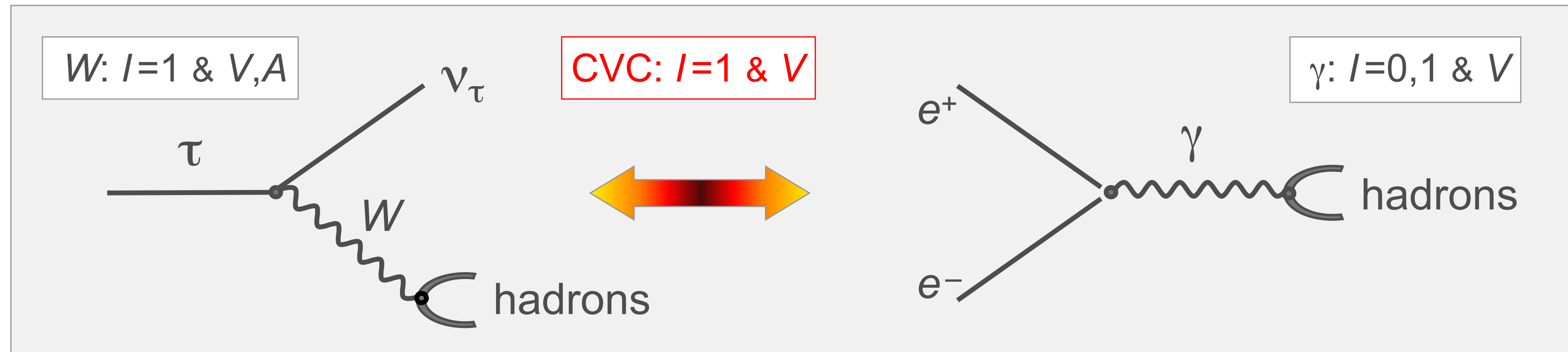


we can use experimental data from  $e^+e^-$  to hadrons!

# HVP from $\tau$ data

## Isospin Symmetry

**Assume  $m_u=m_d$**  connect  $I=1$   $e^+e^-$  cross section with the vector spectral function of the  $\tau$



$$\tau \rightarrow \pi \pi V$$



# Current status

The anomalous magnetic moment of the muon in the Standard Model: an update

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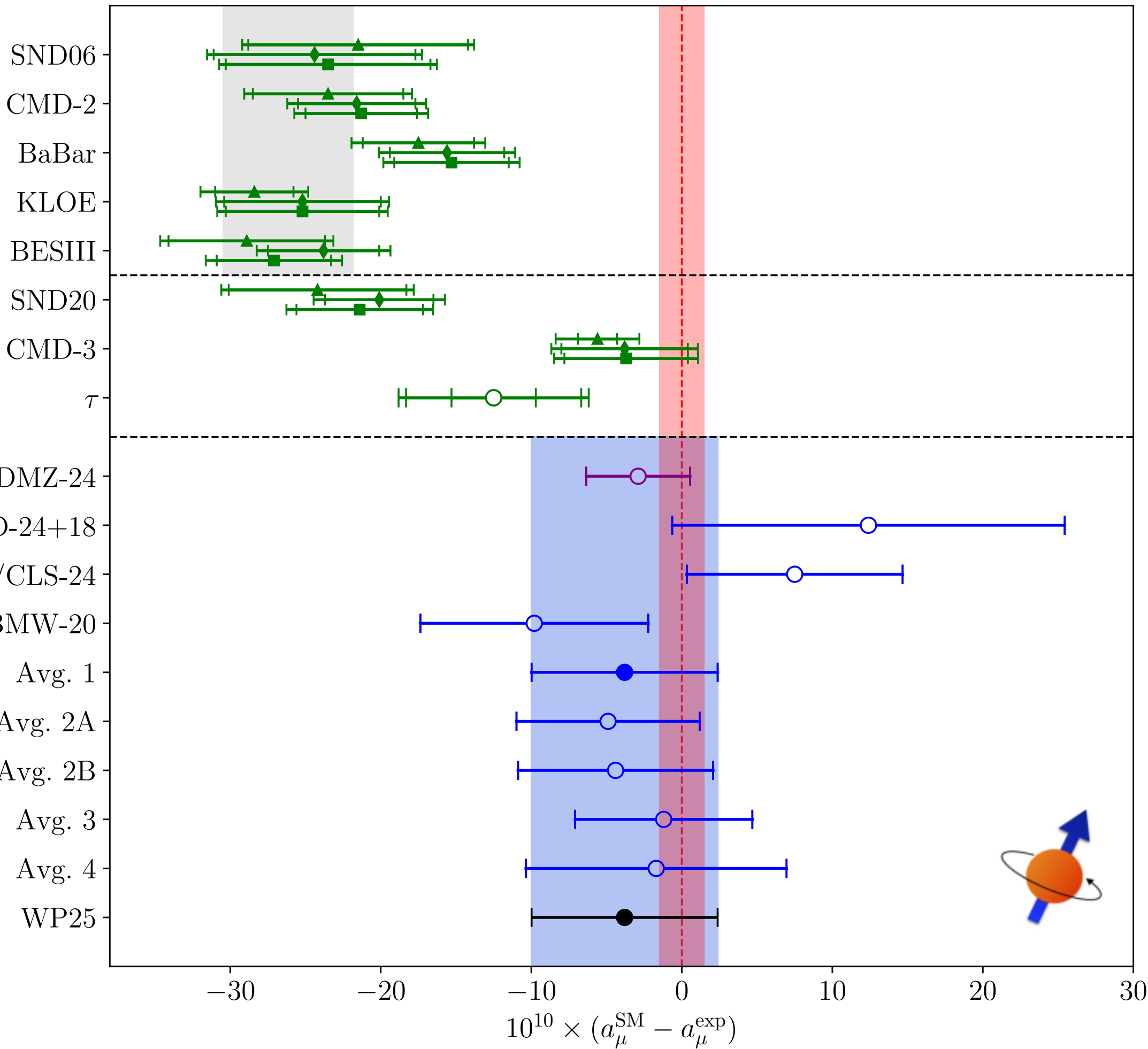
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EXPERIMENT

Muon g-2 Collaboration: [D. P. Aguillard](#)

[arXiv:2506.03069v1](#) [hep-ex]

The new experimental world average



$$a_\mu(\text{exp}) = 116\,592\,0715(145) \times 10^{-12} \text{ (124 ppb)}$$

# HVP evaluation using tau data

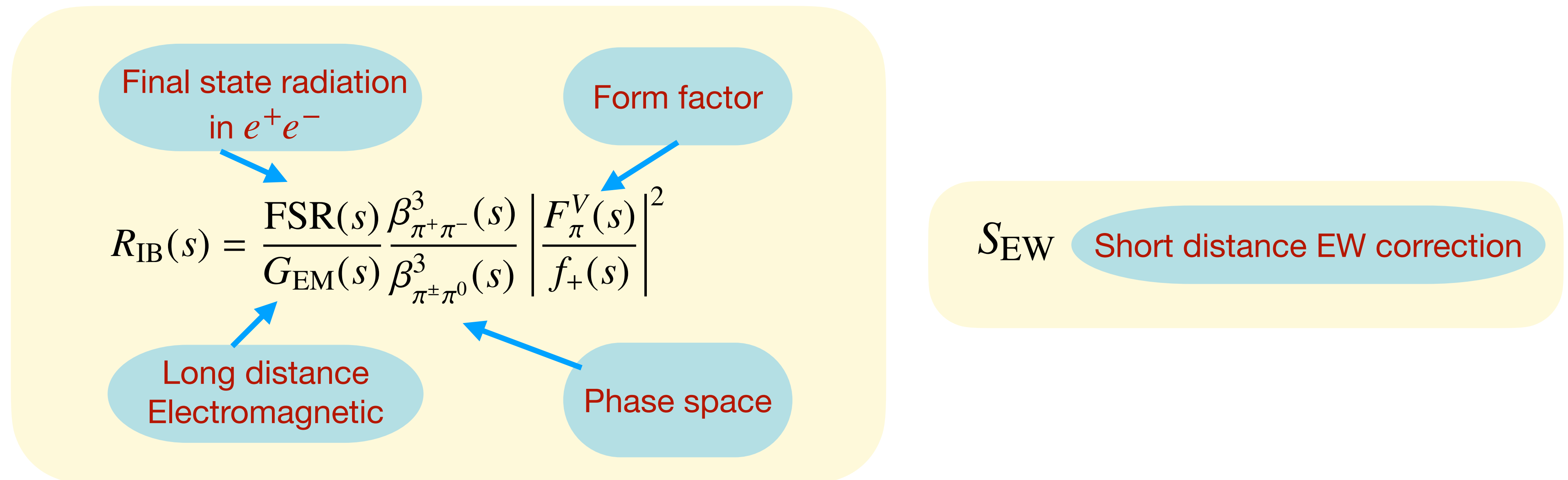
The leading order HVP contribution using tau data requires to account for the IB correction

$$\Delta a_{\mu}^{HVP}[\pi\pi, \tau] = \frac{\alpha^2 m_{\tau}^2}{6|V_{ud}|^2 \pi^2} \frac{\mathcal{B}_{\pi\pi^0}}{\mathcal{B}_e} \int_{4m_{\pi}^2}^{m_{\tau}^2} ds \frac{K(s)}{s} \frac{dN_{\pi\pi^0}}{N_{\pi\pi^0} ds} \left(1 - \frac{s}{m_{\tau}^2}\right)^{-2} \left(1 + \frac{2s}{m_{\tau}^2}\right)^{-1} \left[ \frac{R_{IB}(s)}{S_{EW}} - 1 \right]$$

QED Kernel function

Described by data

The **isospin breaking corrections** are given by





# HVP contribution status

$$\Delta a_{\mu}^{HVP}[\pi\pi, \tau] \quad \text{in } 10^{-10} \text{ units}$$

Phase space	−7.88	−7.52	−	−7.7(2)
$S_{EW}$	−12.21(15)	−12.16(15)	−	−12.2(1.3)
$G_{EM}$	−1.92(90)	$−1.67^{+0.60}_{-1.39}$	−	−2.0(1.4)
→ FSR	4.67(47)	4.62(46)	4.42(4)	4.5(3)
$\rho$ – $\omega$ mixing	4.0(4)	2.87(8)	3.79(19)	3.9(3)

M. Davier, étal [EPJC 84, 721 \(2024\)](#),  
M. Davier, étal , [EPJC 66, 127 \(2010\)](#)

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[PRD 111, 073004 \(2025\)](#)

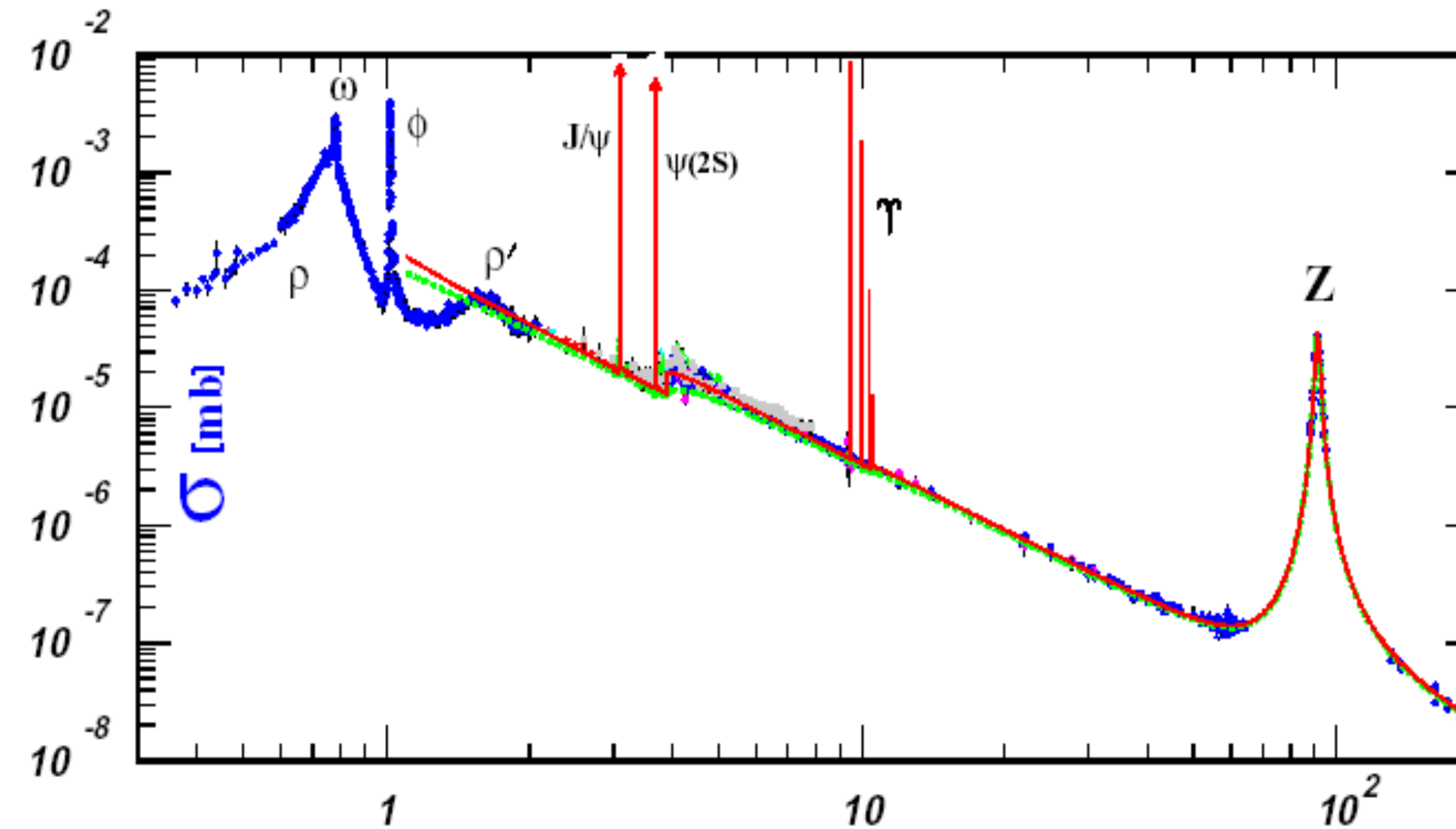
G. Colangelo, etal [JHEP 10, 032 \(2022\)](#)  
M. Hoferichter, étal [PRL 131, 161905 \(2023\)](#)

Theory initiative update  
[Arxiv: 2505.21476](#)

FSR computed using sQED, first introduced in 2010 by M. Davier, étal [EPJC 66, 127 \(2010\)](#).  
Uncertainty associated to the missing structure effects

## Weak / Electromagnetic form factor correction

$\rho$  is the dominant contribution



The form factor parameterize the distribution for each case

$$F_0(s) = f_{\rho^0}(s) \left[ 1 - \delta_{\rho\omega} \frac{s}{m_\omega^2 - s - im_\omega \Gamma_\omega(s)} \right]$$

$$F_-(s) = f_{\rho^-}(s),$$

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# HVP contribution status. Form Factors

$\Delta a_{\mu}^{HVP}[\pi\pi, \tau]$  in  $10^{-10}$  units



	$\Delta M_{\rho}$	$0.20^{(+27)}_{(-19)}(9)$	$1.95^{+1.56}_{-1.55}$	
	$\Delta\Gamma_{\rho}(\Delta M_{\pi})$	$4.09(0)(7)$	$3.37$	
$\frac{F_{\pi}^V}{f_{+}}$ (w/o $\rho-\omega$ )	$\Delta\Gamma_{\rho}(\pi\pi\gamma)$	$-5.91(59)(48)$	$-6.66(73)$	
	$\Delta\Gamma_{\rho}(g_{\rho\pi\pi})$	—	—	
	Total	$-1.62(65)(63)$	$(-1.34)^{+1.72}_{-1.71}$	

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Corrections computed using different FF parameterizations

$\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi(\gamma)$  decay, affecting the rho width difference, computed using sQED, structure dependent effects expected, 10% uncertainty assigned

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Width difference of  $\rho$  vector mesons

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The rho width difference gives the most important contribution to FF

# The $\rho$ width difference

$$\Delta\Gamma_\rho \equiv \Gamma_{\rho^0} - \Gamma_{\rho^+}$$

$$\Delta m_\rho \equiv m_{\rho^+} - m_{\rho^0}$$

Data based

$$\Delta\Gamma_\rho = (0.3 \pm 1.3) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Delta m_\rho = (+0.7 \pm 0.8) \text{ MeV}$$

S. Navas et al. [Particle Data Group],  
[PRD 110 \(2024\)](#)

$$\Delta\Gamma_\rho = (-0.58 \pm 1.04) \text{ MeV}$$

$$\Delta m_\rho = (+0.30 \pm 0.53) \text{ MeV}$$

Davier, Malaescu, and Zhang  
[ArXiv:2504.13789v1 \(2025\)](#)

Theoretical, EM radiative corrections, sQED

$$\Delta\Gamma_\rho = (+0.76 \pm 0.20) \text{ MeV}$$

+1.82 ( $\pm 10\%$ )      -1.06      structure

radiative correction       $\Delta m_\pi$

Flores-Baez, Castro and Toledo  
[PRD 76, 096010 \(2007\)](#)

Approximations: Structureless pion and rho photon interactions (sQED)

Only convection-convection terms in virtual corrections



# The $\rho$ width difference

The rho width difference can be split into  $\Delta\Gamma_\rho = \Delta\Gamma_\rho[\pi\pi(\gamma)] + \Delta\Gamma_\rho(\text{rest})$

where  $\Delta\Gamma_\rho(\text{rest})$  includes all the measured channels, except the two pions and the corresponding radiative channel

$$\rho^0 : l^+l^-, \pi^0\gamma, \eta\gamma, 3\pi, 4\pi$$

$$\text{BR}(\rho^0 \rightarrow \text{rest}) = (1.04 \pm 0.10) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\rho^+ : \pi^+\gamma$$

$$\text{BR}(\rho^+ \rightarrow \text{rest}) = (4.53 \pm 0.46) \times 10^{-4},$$

S. Navas et al. [Particle Data Group],  
[PRD 110 \(2024\)](#)

Thus, for a common neutral and charged rho width ( for example 150 MeV)

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta\Gamma_\rho(\text{rest}) &= \Gamma_{\rho^0} \times \text{BR}(\rho^0 \rightarrow \text{rest}) - \Gamma_{\rho^+} \times \text{BR}(\rho^+ \rightarrow \text{rest}) \\ &= (0.088 \pm 0.017) \text{ MeV} ,\end{aligned}$$

At the precision level of a few tenths of a percent,  
the widths of rho mesons are driven by the  $\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi(\gamma)$  decay

# Contributions to $\Delta\Gamma_\rho[\pi\pi(\gamma)]$

The neutral and charged photon inclusive rho to two pions width are given by

$$\Gamma[\rho^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0(\gamma)] = \frac{g_+^2 m_{\rho^+}}{48\pi} \beta_+^3 (1 + \delta_+)$$

$$\Gamma[\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)] = \frac{g_0^2 m_{\rho^0}}{48\pi} \beta_0^3 (1 + \delta_0)$$

where  $\delta_+$  and  $\delta_0$  account for the radiative correction

Thus, the rho width difference can be set, in terms of the IB parameters, as

$$\Delta\Gamma_\rho[\pi\pi(\gamma)] = \Gamma(\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) \left[ \delta_0 - \delta_+ - \frac{\Delta m_\rho}{m_{\rho^0}} - \frac{6m_+^2}{m_{\rho^0}^2 \beta_0^2} \left( \frac{\Delta}{m_+} + \frac{2\Delta m_\rho}{m_{\rho^0}} \right) - \frac{2\delta g}{g_0} \right]$$

where

$$\Delta \equiv m_+ - m_0$$

$$\Delta m_\rho \equiv m_{\rho^+} - m_{\rho^0}$$

$$\delta g \equiv g_+ - g_0$$

Thus, the radiative corrections  $\delta_+$  and  $\delta_0$  for charged and neutral rho are needed

# Previous analysis

$$\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi(\gamma)$$

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## Width difference of $\rho$ vector mesons

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Real photon emission: sQED + Model dependent

Virtual photon emission:  $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)$  sQED

$\rho^+ \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^0(\gamma)$  sQED (convection terms only)

Meister and Yennie, [PR 130, 1210 \(1963\)](#)

Queijeiro and García, [PRD 38, 2218 \(1988\)](#)

$\rho\rho\gamma$  vertex

$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu\alpha} = (2P - K)^\alpha g^{\mu\nu} + 2(k^\mu g^{\nu\alpha} - k^\nu g^{\mu\alpha}) - \cancel{P^\mu g^{\nu\alpha} - (P - k)^\nu g^{\mu\alpha}}$$

IR Finite

UV Finite with convection

Radiative correction for the neutral and charged processes and their difference, at  $m_\rho = 775$  MeV

$$\delta_+ = -4.15 \times 10^{-3} \quad \delta_0 = 8.05 \times 10^{-3} \quad \delta_0 - \delta_+ = 12.2 \times 10^{-3}$$



# New analysis

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## Improvements

- Structure effect via a form factor
- Full EM vertex of the  $\rho$ , not only convection term



## Byproduct

- Implications for FSR



Real photon emission not modified

## Structure effect

 Beyond sQED by modifying the photon propagator in loops  $\frac{1}{k^2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{k^2} [F_V(k^2)]^2$  makes virtual corrections finite

where  $F_V(k^2) \equiv \frac{M_V^2}{M_V^2 - k^2}$  and  $M_V^2 = m_\rho^2 - im_\rho \Gamma_\rho$

Consider the GVMD by Ignatov et al, where up to three resonances were used to fit the pion form factor and explain pi pi charge asymmetry

Ignatov and Lee, [PLB 833,137283\(2022\)](#)

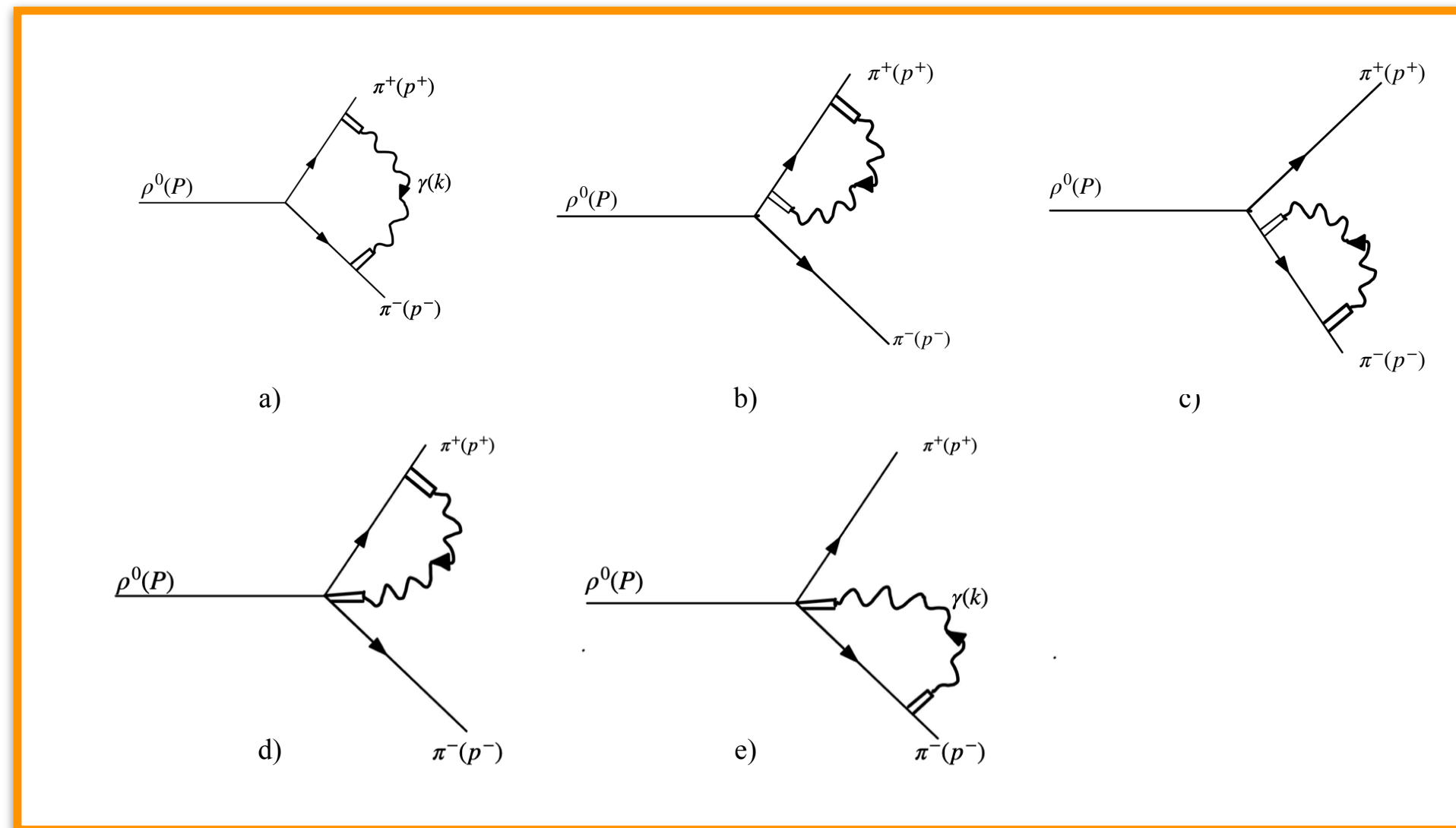
Colangelo, Hoferichter, Monnard, and Ruiz de Elvira, [JHEP 08, 295 \(2022\)](#)

We consider three resonances, the  $\rho$ ,  $\rho'$ ,  $\rho''$  with the mass and width as given in the GVMD

# Neutral rho meson

$$\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- (\gamma)$$

## Structured vertices



$$\delta_0 = 8.05 \times 10^{-3}$$

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now

$$\delta_0 = 6.04 \times 10^{-3}$$

Contact vertex fixed by gauge invariance

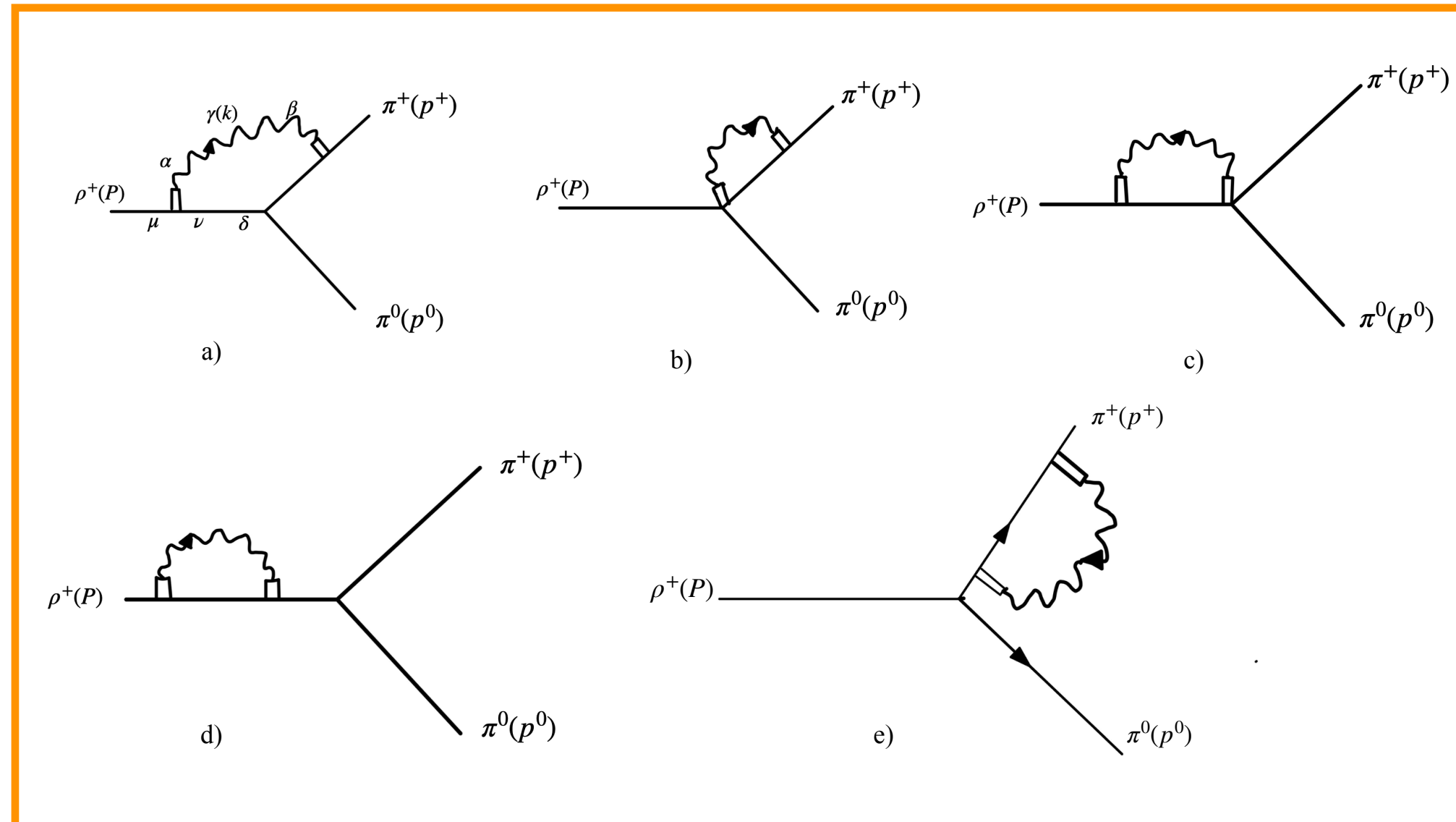
Real photon emission same as in the previous analysis, verified

Infrared and UV finite upon inclusion of real photon emission contribution

# Charged rho meson

$$\rho^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^0 (\gamma)$$

## Structured vertices



$$\delta_+ = -4.15 \times 10^{-3}$$

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now

$$\delta_+ = +2.10 \times 10^{-3}$$

$\rho\rho\gamma$  vertex

$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu\alpha} = (2P - K)^\alpha g^{\mu\nu} + 2(k^\mu g^{\nu\alpha} - k^\nu g^{\mu\alpha}) - P^\mu g^{\nu\alpha} - (P - k)^\nu g^{\mu\alpha}$$



Radiative correction as a function of energy  
Convection term considered to make UV finite (previous).  
VMD (new)

Real photon emission same as in the previous analysis, verified

Infrared and UV finite



# Radiative correction

$m_{\rho^{+,0}}$ (MeV)	$\delta_0 (\times 10^{-3})$	$\delta_+ (\times 10^{-3})$	$\delta_0 - \delta_+ (\times 10^{-3})$
772.0	6.05(2)	2.08(5)	3.973(54)
772.5	6.05(2)	2.08(5)	3.968(54)
773.0	6.05(2)	2.09(5)	3.963(54)
773.5	6.05(2)	2.09(5)	3.957(54)
774.0	6.04(2)	2.09(5)	3.952(54)
774.5	6.04(2)	2.09(5)	3.947(54)
775.0	6.04(2)	2.10(5)	3.941(54)
775.5	6.03(2)	2.10(5)	3.936(54)
776.0	6.03(2)	2.10(5)	3.931(54)
776.5	6.03(2)	2.10(5)	3.925(54)
777.0	6.03(2)	2.11(5)	3.920(54)
777.5	6.02(2)	2.11(5)	3.915(54)
778.0	6.02(2)	2.11(5)	3.909(54)



Radiative correction for the neutral and charged processes and their difference, as a function of the  $\rho$  mass, in the region around the physical value

Compared to the previous value at the same energy

$$\delta_0 = 8.05 \times 10^{-3} \quad \delta_+ = -4.15 \times 10^{-3} \quad \delta_0 - \delta_+ = 12.2 \times 10^{-3}$$

Flores-Baez, Castro and Toledo  
PRD 76, 096010 (2007)

# Contributions to $\Delta\Gamma_\rho[\pi\pi(\gamma)]$

The rho width difference, in terms of the IB parameters, is

$$\Delta\Gamma_\rho[\pi\pi(\gamma)] = \Gamma(\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) \left[ \delta_0 - \delta_+ - \frac{2\delta g}{g_0} - \frac{\Delta m_\rho}{m_{\rho^0}} - \frac{6m_+^2}{m_{\rho^0}^2\beta_0^2} \left( \frac{\Delta}{m_+} + \frac{2\Delta m_\rho}{m_{\rho^0}} \right) \right]$$

Width difference contribution  $+ 0.5911 \text{ MeV}$   $+$   $- 0.19 \text{ MeV}$   $+$   $- 1.1 \text{ MeV}$   $\rightarrow \Delta\Gamma_\rho[\pi\pi(\gamma)] = - 0.709 \text{ MeV}$   
 $\pm 0.22$  not included before

For  $\Gamma(\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-) = 150 \text{ MeV}$  vs previous  $+1.82 (\pm 10\%)$   $+$   $- 1.1 \text{ MeV}$

$\Delta = 4.5936 \text{ MeV}$  structure uncertainty now accounted

$\Delta_\rho = (+0.7 \pm 0.8) \text{ MeV}$

S. Navas et al. [Particle Data Group],  
PRD 110 (2024)

Adding the difference from other channels, we obtain the total width difference

$$\Delta\Gamma_\rho = \Delta\Gamma_\rho[\pi\pi(\gamma)] + \Delta\Gamma_\rho(\text{rest}) = -0.621 \pm 0.22 \text{ MeV}$$

This can be compared with  $\Delta\Gamma_\rho = (-0.58 \pm 1.04) \text{ MeV}$

Davier, Malaescu, and Zhang  
ArXiv:2504.13789v1 (2025)

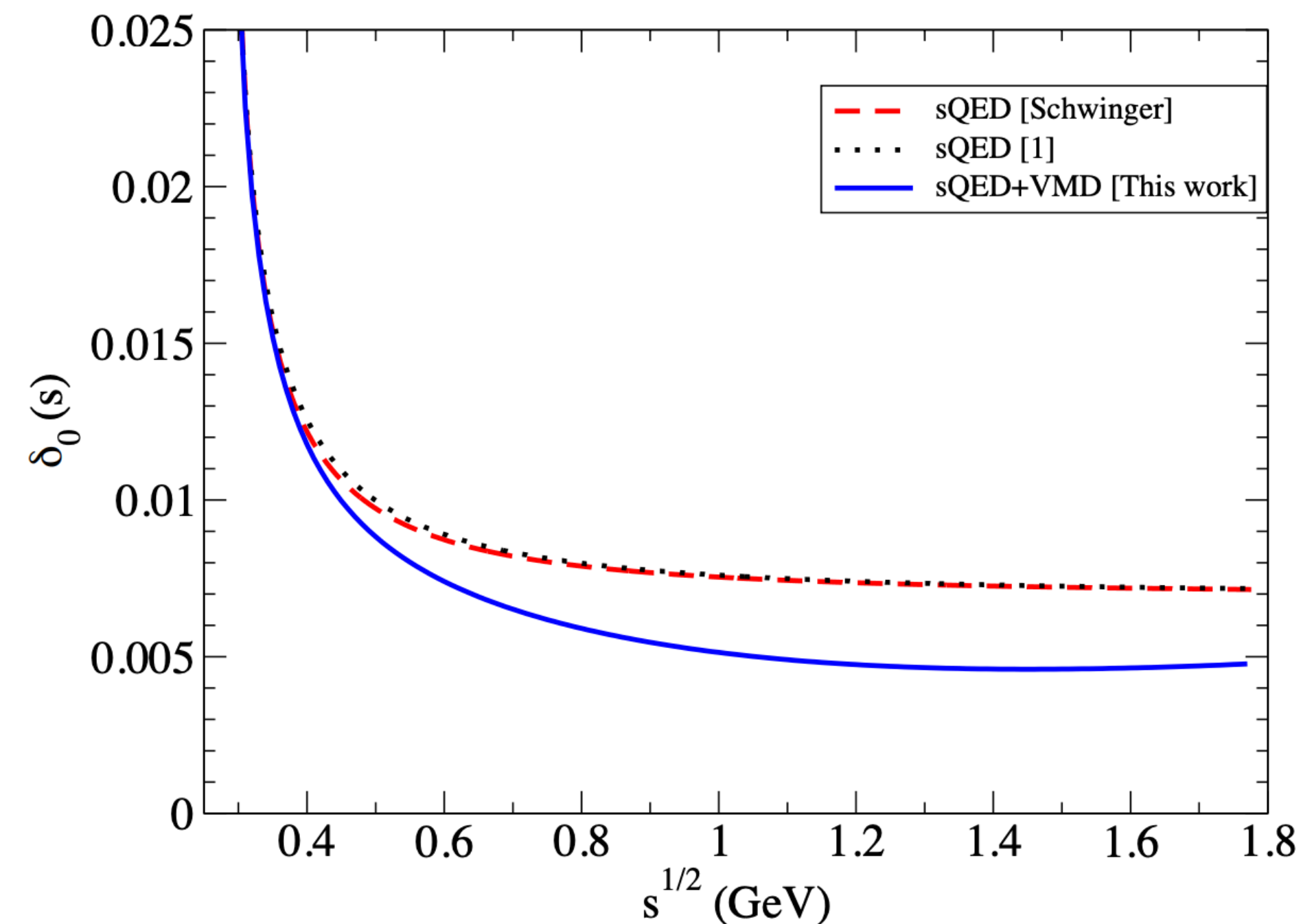


## FSR

The  $\rho^0 \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-(\gamma)$  decay is related to the FSR contribution in the  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  process.

Thus, our result for  $\delta_0(s)$  incorporates the structure on the FSR in the VMD approach

$$FSR(s) = 1 + \delta_0(s)$$



Radiative correction  $\delta_0$  as a function of energy

Cross-check: Our result matches the one by Schwinger (Drees-Hikasa) for sQED.  
This allows to identify the additional structure effects on VMD

J. S. Schwinger  
Particles, Sources and  
Fields, vol. 3 (AW, 1989)

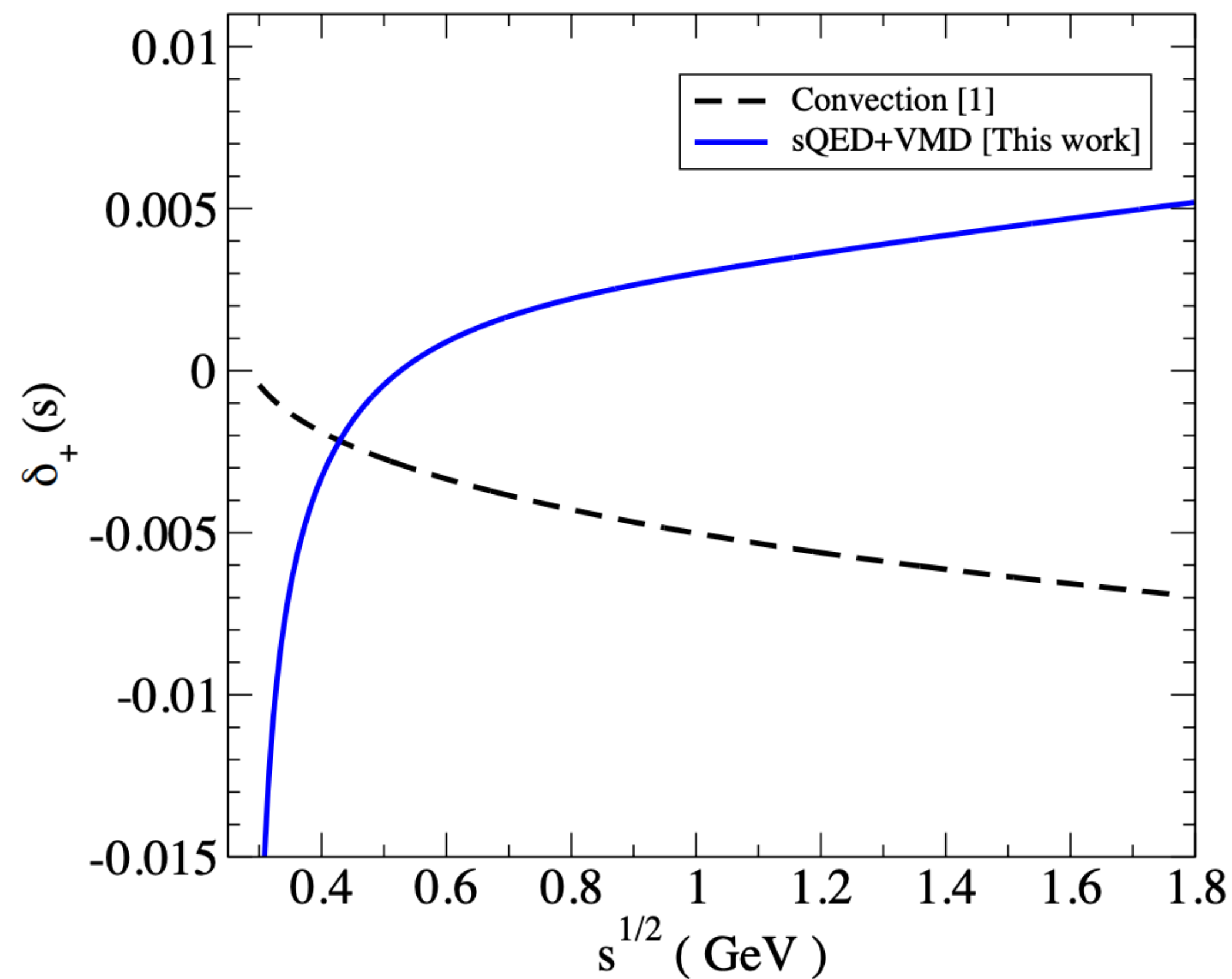
M. Drees and K. Hikasa  
Phys.Lett.B252 127 (1990)

Flores-Baez, Castro and Toledo  
PRD 76, 096010 (2007)

$$\delta_+$$

$\rho\rho\gamma$  vertex

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Radiative correction  $\delta_+$  as a function of energy  
 Convection term considered to make UV finite (previous).  
 VMD (new) incorporates the full vertex structure



## Estimated impact on $\Delta a_\mu^{HVP}[\pi\pi, \tau]$

$$\Delta a_\mu^{HVP}[\pi\pi, \tau] = \frac{\alpha^2 m_\tau^2}{6|V_{ud}|^2 \pi^2} \frac{\mathcal{B}_{\pi\pi^0}}{\mathcal{B}_e} \int_{4m_\pi^2}^{m_\tau^2} ds \frac{K(s)}{s} \frac{dN_{\pi\pi^0}}{N_{\pi\pi^0} ds} \left(1 - \frac{s}{m_\tau^2}\right)^{-2} \left(1 + \frac{2s}{m_\tau^2}\right)^{-1} \left[ FSR(s) \left| \frac{F_\pi^V(s)}{f_+(s)} \right|^2 - 1 \right]$$

We compute the corrections using data (uncorrelated)

For the FF we use Gounaris-Sakurai parameterization. Radiative corrections are taken at  $m_\rho = 775$  MeV

$$\Delta a_\mu^{HVP}[\pi\pi, \tau] (\times 10^{-10})$$

Source	FSR [ $\times 10^{-10}$ ]	$\Delta\Gamma_\rho(\pi\pi(\gamma))$ [ $\times 10^{-10}$ ] due to $\delta_0 - \delta_+$
Schwinger [18, 22]	+4.67(47) [7]	−5.91(59) [7]
$\delta_0$ (sQED) [1]	+4.64(46)	−5.97(60)
This work	+3.77(2)	−1.91(4)

For FSR we obtain around 15% reduction respect to sQED

For FF we obtain around 50% reduction respect to sQED

# Conclusions

- HVP from tau data requires to properly account for all the IB corrections
- The rho width difference  $\Delta\Gamma_\rho$  is a key ingredient in the form factor IB estimates.
- We have computed the  $\rho \rightarrow \pi\pi(\gamma)$  radiative corrections, including the structure dependence.
- As a byproduct, the structure dependent effects on FSR was obtained
- We estimated the impact on  $\Delta a_\mu^{HVP}[\pi\pi, \tau]$ . Hadrons structure is now theoretically accounted.



# THANK'S



Aún hay otras  
Alhóndigas  
por incendiar !