

Determining the long-distance
contribution to the HLbL portion of
 $g-2$ in position space from the π^0 pole

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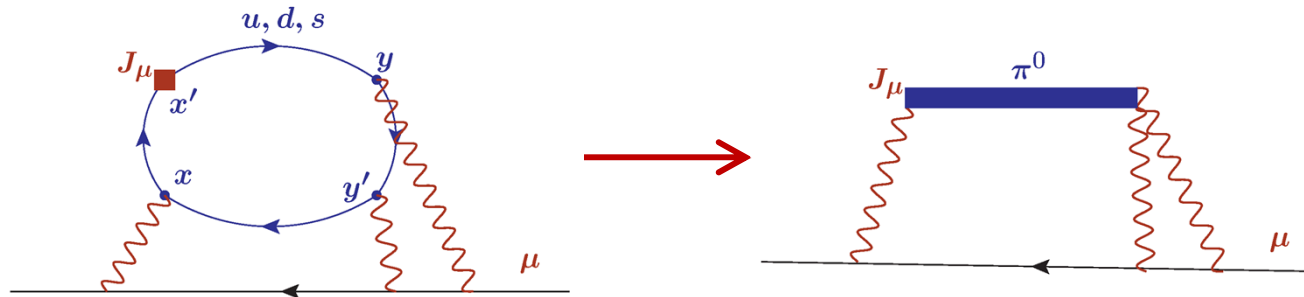
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Overview

- Long distance contribution to HLbL comes from the π^0 exchange.

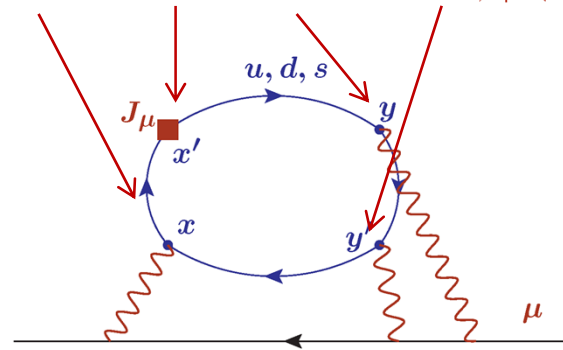


- Calculate π^0 exchange from lattice QCD
 - Direct calculation, without form factor decomposition or parameterization.
 - Position-space based.
 - Can be applied for large volume.
- No implementation at present.

Introduce π^0 states

- Compute the π^0 pole contribution to:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}(x, x', y, y') = \langle 0 | T(J_\mu(x) J_{\mu'}(x') J_\nu(y) J_{\nu'}(y')) | 0 \rangle$$



- Assume x and y are far separated in the time direction and insert sum over π^0 states:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mu_1\mu_2\nu_1\nu_2}^{\pi^0}(x, x', y, y') = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3p}{2E_\pi(p)} \langle 0 | T(J_\mu(x) J_{\mu'}(x')) | \pi^0(\vec{p}) \rangle \langle \pi^0(\vec{p}) | T(J_\nu(y) J_{\nu'}(y')) | 0 \rangle$$

- Dominant contribution for $x_0 - y_0$ large.

Use translational symmetry

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$$\begin{aligned} \langle 0 | T(J_\mu(x) J_{\mu'}(x')) | \pi^0(\vec{p}) \rangle &= \langle 0 | T(J_\mu(0) J_{\mu'}(\tilde{x})) | \pi^0(\vec{p}) \rangle e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\tilde{x} - E_p x_0} \\ &= \mathcal{F}_{\mu\mu'}(\tilde{x}, \vec{p}) e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\tilde{x} - E_p x_0} \\ &= \mathcal{F}_{\mu\mu'}(\tilde{x}, -i\vec{\nabla}_x) e^{i\vec{p}\cdot\tilde{x} - E_p x_0} \end{aligned}$$

$$E_p = \sqrt{\vec{p}^2 + M_\pi^2}$$

- After these standard steps the integral over \vec{p} can be performed, giving the Euclidean pion propagator:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int \frac{d^3p}{2E_\pi(p)} e^{i\vec{p}\cdot(\vec{x}-\vec{y}) - E_p(x_0-y_0)} &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} \int d^4p \frac{e^{ip(x-y)}}{p_0^2 + \vec{p}^2 + M_\pi^2} \\ &\equiv \Delta_F(x - y, M_\pi) \end{aligned}$$

Further long-distance approximation

- Combine these results to obtain:

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}^{\pi^0}(x, x', y, y') = \mathcal{F}_{\mu\mu'}(\tilde{x}, -i\vec{\nabla}_x) \mathcal{F}_{\nu\nu'}(\tilde{y}, i\vec{\nabla}_y) \Delta_F(x - y, M_\pi)$$

- Next evaluated the spatial derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\rho_i}} \right) \Delta_F(x - y, M_\pi) &= \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\rho_i}} \right) \right\} \left(\frac{M_\pi}{2\pi|x-y|} \right)^{3/2} e^{-|x-y|M_\pi} \\ &\approx \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^N \left(-M_\pi \frac{(x-y)_{\rho_i}}{|x-y|} \right) \right\} \left(\frac{M_\pi}{2\pi|x-y|} \right)^{3/2} e^{-|x-y|M_\pi} \end{aligned}$$

- Which implies:

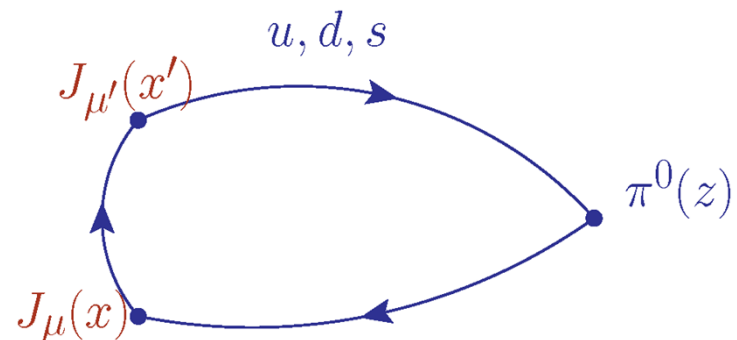
$$\mathcal{A}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}^{\pi^0}(x, x', y, y') = \mathcal{F}_{\mu\mu'}(\tilde{x}, iM_\pi\hat{n}) \mathcal{F}_{\nu\nu'}(\tilde{y}, -iM_\pi\hat{n}) \Delta_F(x - y, M_\pi)$$

where $\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{x} - \vec{y}}{|x - y|}$, a unit Euclidean four-vector.

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$$\mathcal{B}_{\mu\mu'}(x, x', z) = \langle 0 | T(J_\mu(x) J_{\mu'}(x') \pi^0(z)) | 0 \rangle$$



- This can be directly evaluated using lattice QCD

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- Involves the same $\gamma\gamma$ - π vertex as $\mathcal{A}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}(x, x', y, y')$

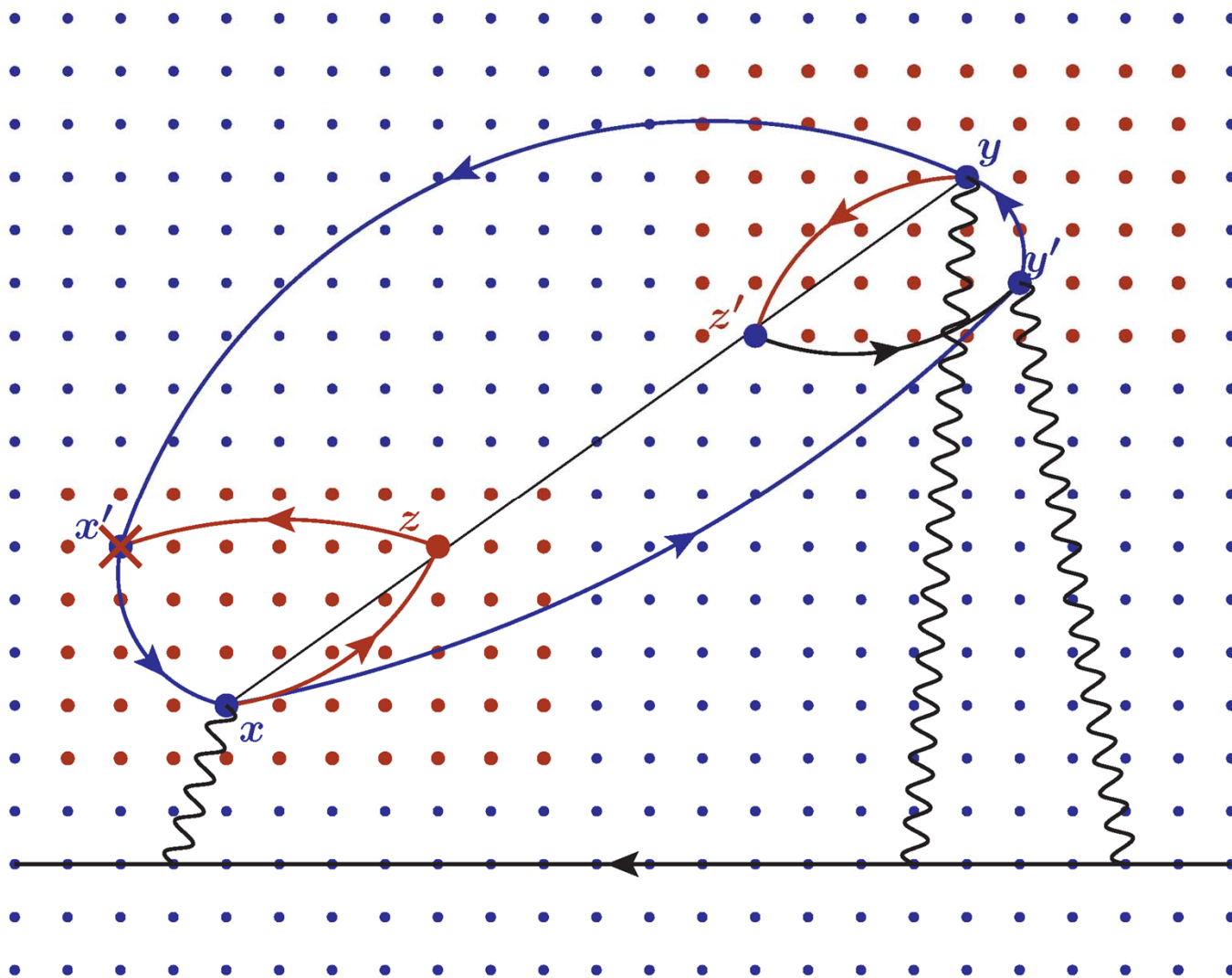
$$\mathcal{B}_{\mu\mu'}^{\pi^0}(x, x', z) = \mathcal{F}_{\mu\mu'}(\tilde{x}, iM_\pi\hat{n}) Z_{\pi^0}^{1/2} \Delta_F(x - z, M_\pi)$$

where $Z_{\pi^0}^{1/2} = \langle \pi^0(\vec{p} = 0) | \pi^0(0) | 0 \rangle$

- Combining results for $\mathcal{A}_{\mu_1\mu_2\nu_1\nu_2}^{\pi^0}(x, x', y, y')$ and $\mathcal{B}_{\mu\mu'}^{\pi^0}(x, x', z)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{A}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}^{\pi^0}(x, x', y, y') \\ &= \mathcal{B}_{\mu\mu'}^{\pi^0}(x, x', z) \mathcal{B}_{\nu\nu'}^{\pi^0}(y, y', z') \frac{1}{Z_{\pi^0}} \frac{\Delta_F(x - y, M_\pi)}{\Delta_F(x - z, M_\pi) \Delta_F(z' - y, M_\pi)} \end{aligned}$$

Lattice implementation



π^0 contribution to $(g-2)_{\text{HLbL}}$

- Combine photon and muon propagators $\mathcal{G}_{\rho,\sigma,\kappa}(x, y, y')$ with the QCD part to obtain:

$$\frac{1}{2m_\mu} F_2^{\pi^0}(q^2 = 0) (\sigma_{s',s})_i$$

$$= \frac{1}{VT} \sum_{x,x',y,y'} \frac{(-ie)^6}{2} \epsilon_{i,j,k} \left(x' - \frac{x+y}{2} \right)_j$$

$$\cdot i \bar{u}_{s'}(\vec{0}) \mathcal{G}_{\rho,\sigma,\kappa}(x, y, y') u_s(\vec{0}) \mathcal{A}^{\pi^0}(x, x', y, y')_{\rho,\sigma,\kappa,k}$$

- For $|x-y| \geq R_{\text{min}}$ replace $\mathcal{A}_{\mu\mu'\nu\nu'}(x, x', y, y')$ with $\mathcal{A}_{\mu_1\mu_2\nu_1\nu_2}^{\pi^0}(x, x', y, y')$ to use the π^0 contribution at long distances.

Conclusion

- Contribution of π^0 exchange to HLbL at long distances:
 - Is well-defined in an x -space calculation.
 - Can be precisely computed from lattice QCD.
 - A fixed volume QCD calculation gives the π^0 HLbL contribution in increasing volume.
- Should allow the large volume systematic error to be reduced.

