

# *Tests of the vacuum polarization fits for muon $g - 2$*

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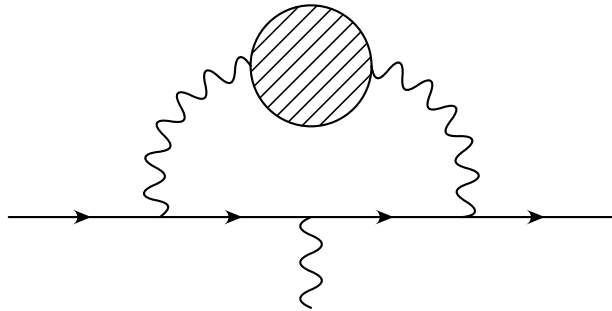
"IN GOD WE TRUST,  
ALL THE OTHERS MUST BRING DATA."

(W. Edwards Deming, American Statistician, 1900-1993.)

# Introduction

Lautrup-de Rafael '69

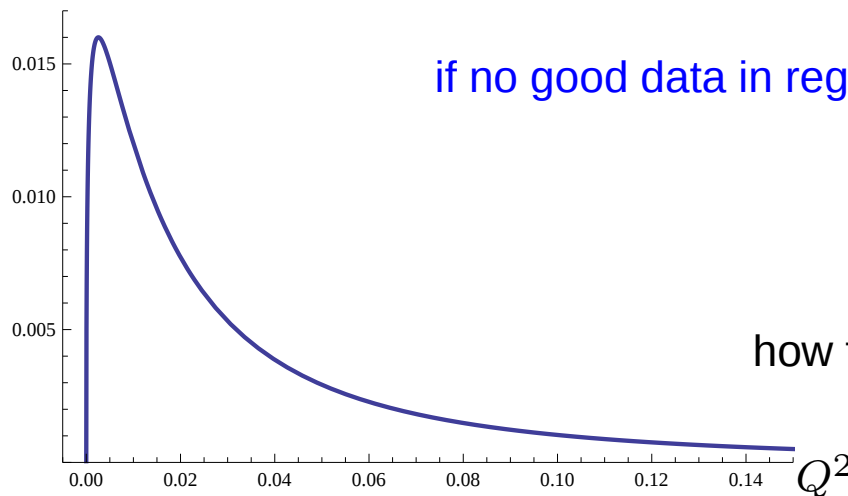
Blum '02



$$(g - 2)_\mu^{HVP} \sim \int_0^\infty dQ^2 \underbrace{f(Q^2)}_{\text{known}} [\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0)]$$

$$\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0) \implies (g - 2)_\mu^{HVP}$$

(g-2) integrand



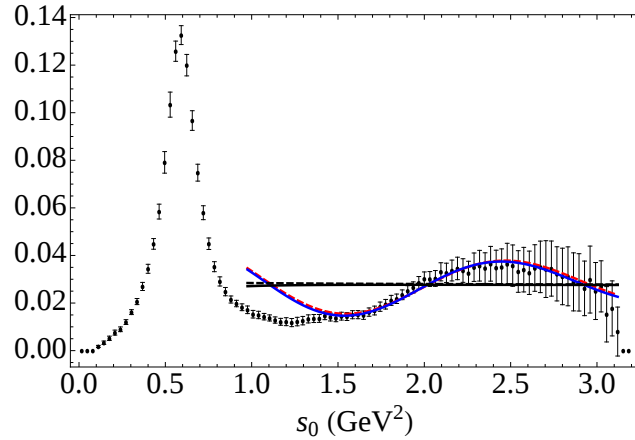
integrand strongly peaked at  $Q^2 \sim m_\mu^2/4 \sim 0.003 \text{ GeV}^2$

if no good data in region of curvature  $\implies$  possibly wrong results !

(even with good  $\chi^2$ )

how to test this theoretical error?

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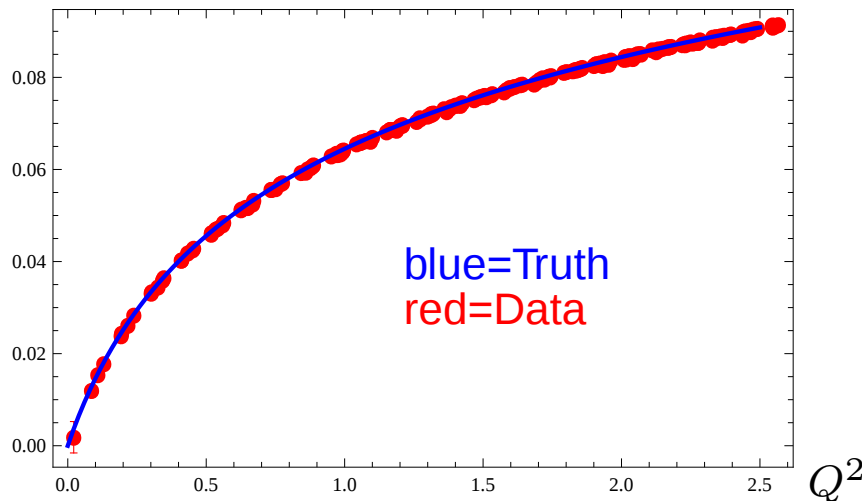
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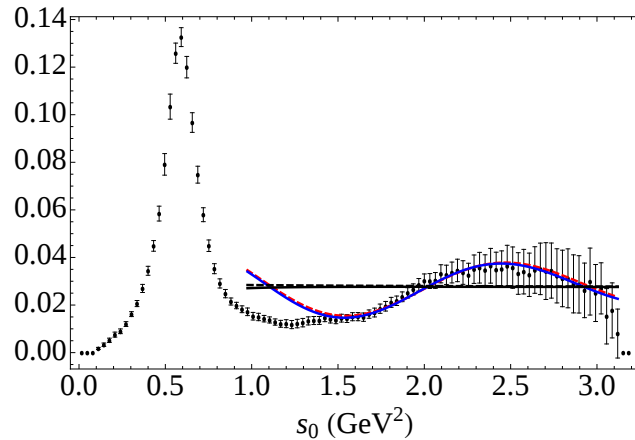


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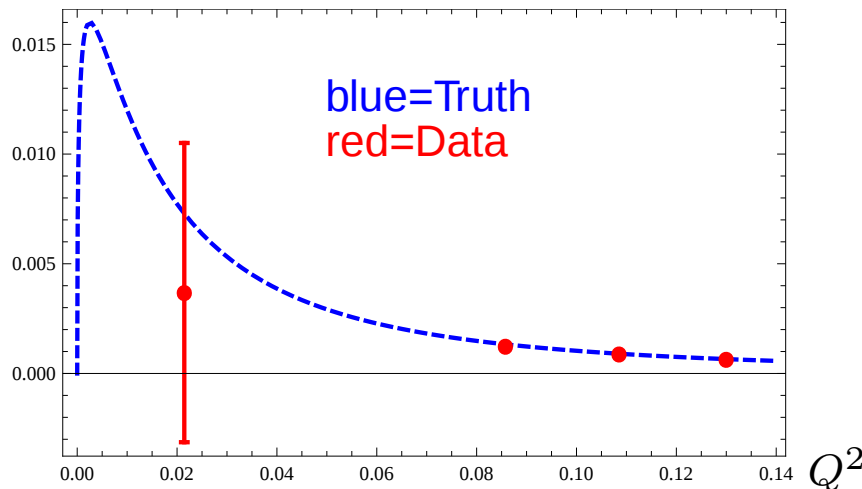
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# Fitting functions

Aubin, Blum, Golterman, SP '12

★ Padés, model independent, they enjoy a convergence theorem for  $N \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\Pi(Q^2) = \underbrace{\Pi(0) + Q^2 \left( a_0 + \sum_{r=1}^N \frac{a_r}{Q^2 + b_r} \right)}_{\text{Pade}}$$

$\Pi(0)$ ,  $a_r$ 's and  $b_r$ 's are fitting parameters.

★ **VMD** is **not** a Pade, since you fix  $b_1 = M_\rho^2$ . (true  $\Pi(Q^2)$  has cut starting at  $4m_\pi^2 \dots$ )

We have:  $a_0 \neq 0 \implies [N, N]$  Pade;  $a_0 = 0 \implies [N-1, N]$  Pade.

For instance:

- $\frac{a_1}{Q^2 + b_1}$  is a  $[0,1]$  Pade  $\implies \Pi(Q^2) = \Pi(0) + Q^2 \left( \frac{a_1}{Q^2 + b_1} \right)$
- $a_0 + \frac{a_1}{Q^2 + b_1}$  is a  $[1,1]$  Pade  $\implies \Pi(Q^2) = \Pi(0) + Q^2 \left( a_0 + \frac{a_1}{Q^2 + b_1} \right)$

etc...

# Model Fits

Golterman, Maltman, SP , work in progress

“Exact result”:  $(g - 2)_{\mu}^{HVP}|_{Q^2 \leq 1 \text{ GeV}^2} = 1.2059 \times 10^7$ .

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|        | $(g - 2)_{\mu} \times 10^7$ | Error $\times 10^7$ | $\chi^2/\text{dof}$                        | Pull |
|--------|-----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------|------|
| VMD    |                             |                     | 2189/47 <span style="color: red;">×</span> |      |
| VMD+   |                             |                     | 67.4/46                                    |      |
| [0, 1] |                             |                     | 285/46                                     |      |
| [1, 1] |                             |                     | 61.4/45                                    |      |
| [1, 2] |                             |                     | 55.0/44                                    |      |
| [2, 2] |                             |                     | 54.6/43                                    |      |

VMD “flavors” :

- VMD: [0,1] Pade with  $b_1 = M_{\rho}^2$ .
- VMD+: [1,1] Pade with  $b_1 = M_{\rho}^2$  (i.e. VMD + linear polynomial)

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| [0, 1] | 0.87191                   | 0.0093              | 285/46              | -    |
| [1, 1] | 1.1176                    | 0.022               | 61.4/45             | 4    |
| [1, 2] | 1.1838                    | 0.043               | 55.0/44             | 0.5  |
| [2, 2] | 1.1785                    | 0.057               | 54.6/43             | 0.5  |

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- VMD+ also gets it wrong although the  $\chi^2$  is good  $\Rightarrow$  DANGER !
- Pades [1,2] and [2,2] get it right, but the error is  $\sim 4\%$ .

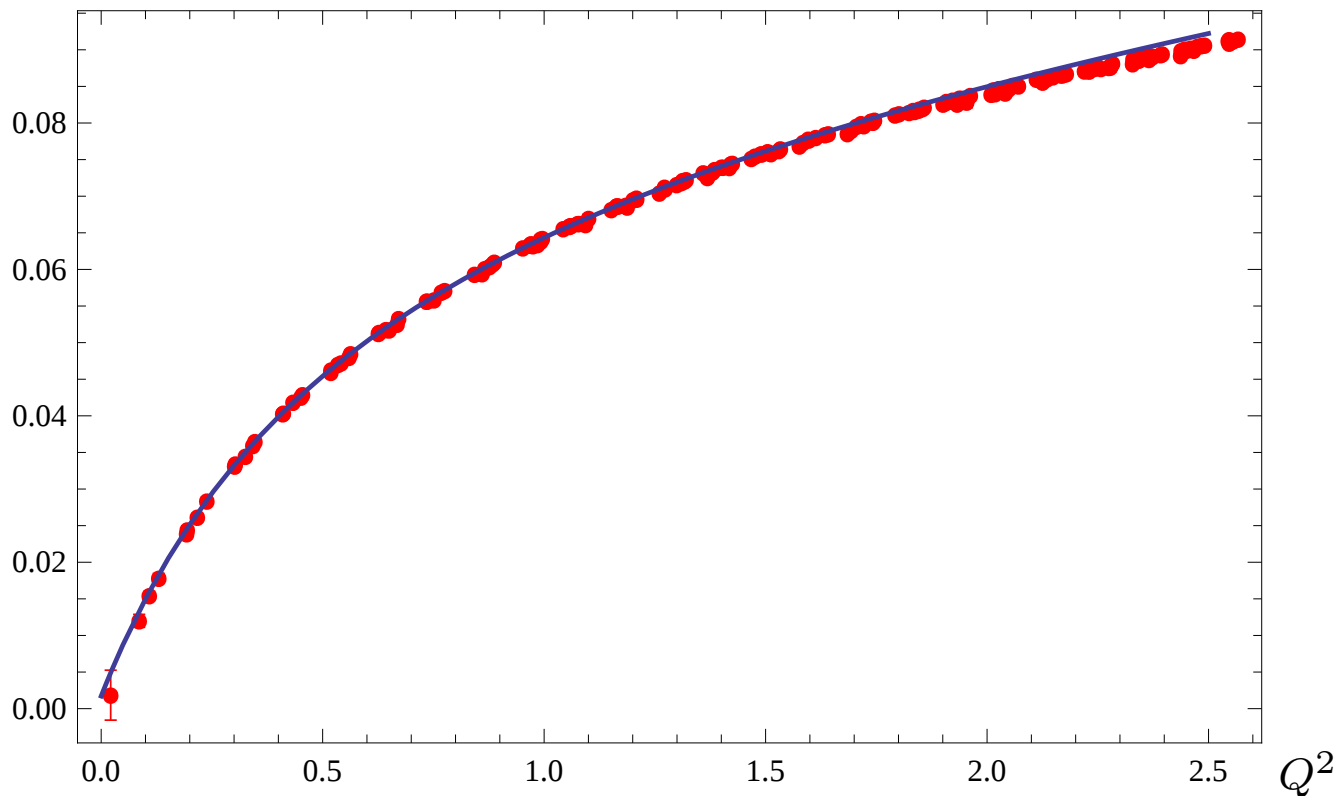
# Moral

Take, e.g., the VMD+ case

You may think this is a good fit for an accurate  $(g - 2)_\mu$ :

$\Pi(Q^2) - \Pi(0)$

solid line=VMD+ Fit

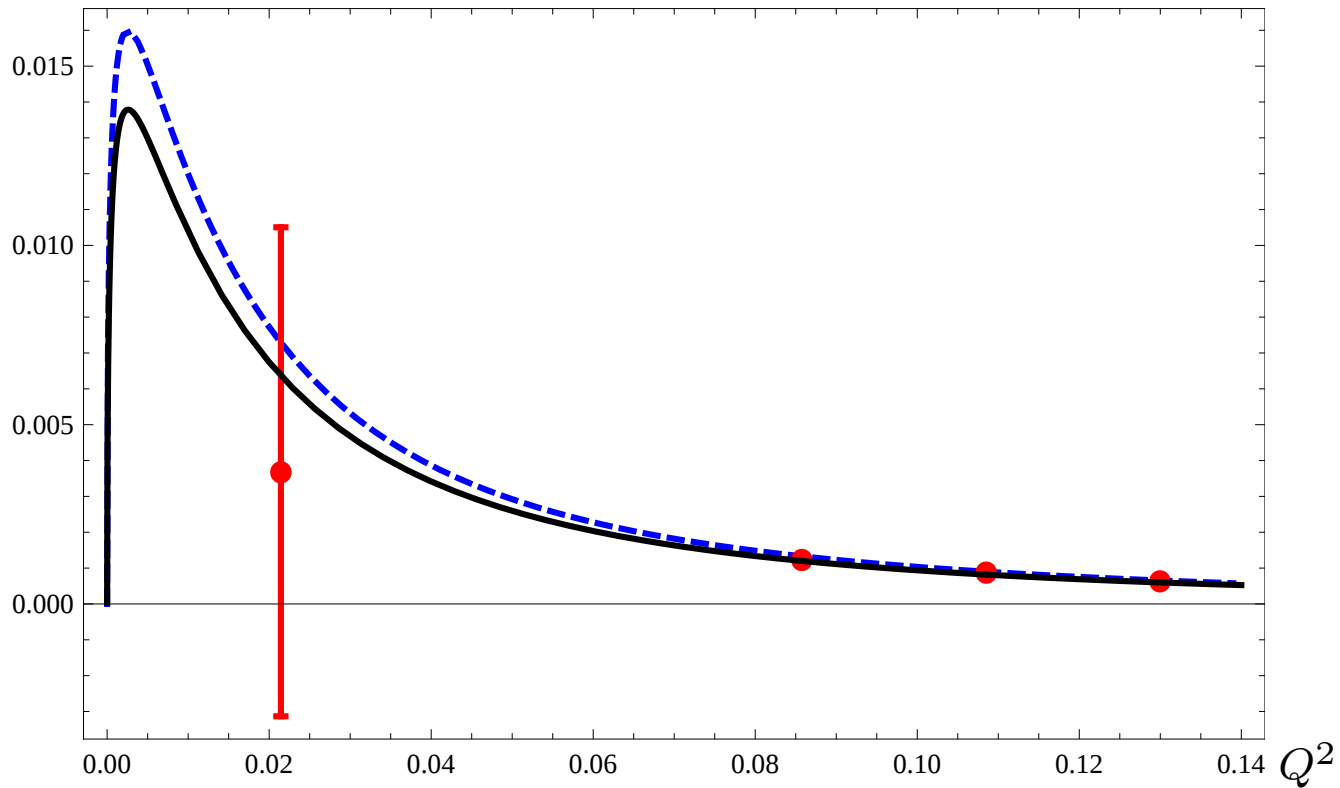


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while, in fact, this is what you should be looking at:

dashed blue=Truth  
solid line=VMD+ Fit

(g-2) Integrand



# Science Fiction

(Recall exact value:  $(g - 2)_\mu^{HVP}|_{Q^2 \leq 1 \text{ GeV}^2} = 1.2059 \times 10^{-7}$ .)

Reduce the previous covariance matrix by  $10^4$ :

|        | $(g - 2)_\mu \times 10^{-7}$ | Error $\times 10^{-7}$ | $\chi^2/\text{dof}$ | Pull |
|--------|------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|------|
| VMD    | 1.3210                       | 0.00005                | $2 \times 10^7/47$  | -    |
| VMD+   | 1.0732                       | 0.00008                | $7 \times 10^4/46$  | -    |
| [0, 1] | 0.89774                      | 0.00010                | $2 \times 10^7/46$  | -    |
| [1, 1] | 1.1011                       | 0.0002                 | $5 \times 10^4/45$  | -    |
| [1, 2] | 1.1644                       | 0.0004                 | 1340/44             | -    |
| [2, 2] | 1.1884                       | 0.0015                 | 76.4/43 (?)         | 12   |
| [2, 3] | 1.1987                       | 0.0028                 | 42.0/42             | 2.6  |

- VMD-type fits are very bad.
- Pade fits are eventually better, but need good data around the peak for  $\chi^2$  errors to be reliable.
- [2, 3] reaches error comparable to present  $e^+e^-$  and  $\tau$ -data based determination.
- To reduce “Pull”, need twisting ([see Aubin later in this session](#)) or larger volumes to have very good data in the region of curvature of the integrand. See also the strategies in [de Divitiis et al. '13](#) and [Feng et al. '13](#).

# Uncorrelated Fits

(Recall exact value:  $(g - 2)_\mu^{HVP}|_{Q^2 \leq 1 \text{ GeV}^2} = 1.2059 \times 10^7$ .)

|        | $(g - 2)_\mu \times 10^7$ | Error $\times 10^7$ | $Q^2/\text{dof}$ | Pull |
|--------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------|------|
| VMD    | 1.2145                    | 0.0082              | 75.2/47          | -1.1 |
| VMD+   | 1.085                     | 0.017               | 15.0/46          | 7    |
| [0, 1] | 0.999                     | 0.023               | 20.1/46          | 9    |
| [1, 1] | 1.17                      | 0.074               | 13.8/45          | 0.4  |
| [1, 2] | 1.30                      | 0.32                | 13.6/44          | -0.3 |

- “Error” column is the result of linear propagation

# Conclusions

- VMD-type fits turn out to be **not reliable** for an accuracy in  $(g - 2)_\mu$  of **few per cent**.
- Do **not necessarily trust the  $\chi^2$**  of your fit **for assessing the accuracy in  $(g - 2)_\mu$** , if you don't have very good data in the region of curvature of the integrand.
- **Blow up** the region of the **integrand around  $Q^2 \sim m_\mu^2$** . Showing plots of  $\Pi(Q^2)$  for large  $Q^2$  ranges is very misleading.
- Benchmark your fitting method:  

**Should try this exercise** on your  $Q^2$  values and Cov. matrix to get a good check on your systematic error. (If you are interested, we can try to help.)
- Getting  $(g - 2)_\mu$  with **accuracy of  $\lesssim 1\%$  won't be a rose garden**.

# BACK-UP SLIDES