

Finite-size effects in lattice QCD+QED_L

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- Motivation: Precision tests of the Standard Model
- Isospin-breaking needed \implies Simulate Lattice QCD+QED
- Several talks about QED in finite volume: QED_L
- My goal today:
 - 1 What is QED_L ?
 - 2 What about finite-size effects in the simulations?
 - 3 What lies ahead?
- Reaching the infinite-volume limit:
 - 1 Simulations at different volumes: Fits
 - 2 Analytical correction for finite-size effects: Loop calculations

QED in a finite volume

- Gauss' law: Difficult to define charged states in finite volume with periodic boundary conditions
(photon zero-momentum modes and absence of mass gap)
- Several prescriptions (see the other talks here!)

① QED_C : Charge-conjugated boundary conditions

[Kronfeld, Wiese 1991–1993; RC* 2019]

② QED_M : Photon mass m_γ

[Endres, Shindler, Tiburzi, Walker-Loud 2016; Bussone, Della Morte, Janowski 2018]

③ QED_∞ : Do the QED part in infinite volume

[Feng, Jin 2018]

④ QED_L : Exclude photon zero-mode on each time-slice

[Hayakawa, Uno 2008]

$$\text{QED}_L : \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \longrightarrow \sum'_{\mathbf{k}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \neq 0}$$

- Each has advantages/drawbacks : QED_L simple but non-local

Finite-size effects

- Massless photon + no zero-mode (QED_L and QED_C)

$V = \mathbb{R} \times L^3$: \implies Finite-size effects (FSEs) in observable $\mathcal{O}(L)$:

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}(L) = \mathcal{O}(L) - \mathcal{O}_{\text{IV}} = C_0 + C_{\log} \log m_P L + C_1 \frac{1}{m_P L} + C_2 \frac{1}{(m_P L)^2} + \dots$$

- **Scaling in L is observable-dependent:**
e.g. self-energy $C_0 = C_{\log} = 0$
- **Coefficients depend on physical particle properties:** masses, charges, structure (**form-factors**):
Point-like + structure-dependent
- **NB: Coefficients are prescription-dependent!**

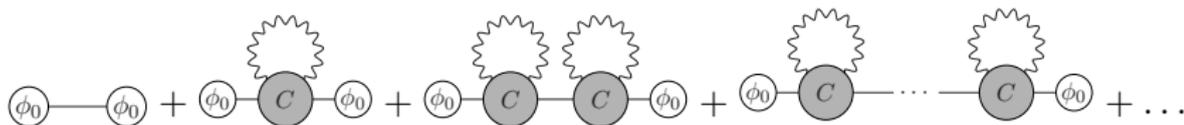
- QED_M and QED_∞ : no power-law effects

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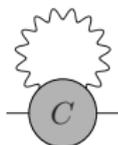
- In the following:
 - ① How does one get the analytical scaling?
 - ② What is the current status and the future of this?
- Based on/biased towards [Davoudi, Savage 2014; BMW 2015; RM-123/Soton 2017; Davoudi, Harrison, Jüttner, Portelli, Savage 2019; Bijmens, Harrison, H-T, Janowski, Jüttner, Portelli 2019; Di Carlo, Hansen, H-T, Portelli 2021]

Finite-size effects in QED_L

- Observable \mathcal{O} with a virtual order α -correction from a photon loop
- **Example:** Pseudoscalar self-energy, i.e. mass m_P
- Given by pole of Euclidean QCD+QED 2-point correlator

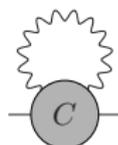


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- Let $k = (k_0, \mathbf{k})$ be the photon momentum
- Finite-size effects in $\mathcal{O}(L)$ given by:

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}(L) = \mathcal{O}(L) - \mathcal{O}_{\text{IV}} = \left(\frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}}' - \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \int \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} f_{\mathcal{O}}(k_0, \mathbf{k}, \dots)$$

- The integrand $f_{\mathcal{O}}(k_0, \mathbf{k}, \dots)$ depends on the observable and all scales
- **Soft photons travel far:** Expand in small $|\mathbf{k}| = \frac{2\pi|\mathbf{n}|}{L} \implies$ expansion in L

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}(L) = C_0 + C_{\log} \log m_P L + C_1 \frac{1}{m_P L} + C_2 \frac{1}{(m_P L)^2} + \dots$$

Decomposing vertex functions

- **Step 2:** Form-factor decomposition (**structure-dependence!**)

$$\Gamma_{\mu}(p, k) = (2p + k)_{\mu} F(k^2, (p + k)^2, p^2) + k_{\mu} G(k^2, (p + k)^2, p^2)$$

- Contains both on-shell and off-shell dependence

$$F^{(1,0,0)}(0, -m_P^2, -m_P^2) \equiv F'(0) = -\langle r_P^2 \rangle / 6$$

- $F^{(0,0,n)}(0, -m_P^2, -m_P^2)$: **Unphysical derivative!** \rightarrow **Must always cancel in the end!**
- How must they cancel, and what about $G(k^2, (p + k)^2, p^2)$?

Decomposing vertex functions

- **Step 3:** Use Ward identities, e.g.

$$k_\mu \Gamma^\mu(p, k) = D(p+k)^{-1} - D(p)^{-1}$$

- Define full propagator ($Z(p^2)$): z_n [BMW 2015; RM-123/Soton 2017]

$$D(p) = \frac{Z(p^2)}{p^2 + m_P^2}$$

- Ward identity yields G as a function of F and

$$F(0, p^2, -m_P^2) = F(0, -m_P^2, p^2) = Z(p^2)^{-1}$$

- Example relation: $z_1 = F^{(0,0,1)}(0, -m_P^2, -m_P^2)$

- **Unphysical derivative!** → **Must always cancel in the end!**

- **Equivalently:** We could put all non-physical quantities to zero directly

$$F(k^2, (p+k)^2, p^2) \rightarrow F(k^2) = 1 + k^2 F'(0) + \dots$$

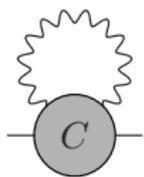
$$Z(p^2) \rightarrow 1$$

The k_0 -integral

- Where are we?

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}(L) = \mathcal{O}(L) - \mathcal{O}_{\text{IV}} = \left(\frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}}' - \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \int \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} f_{\mathcal{O}}(k_0, \mathbf{k}, \dots)$$

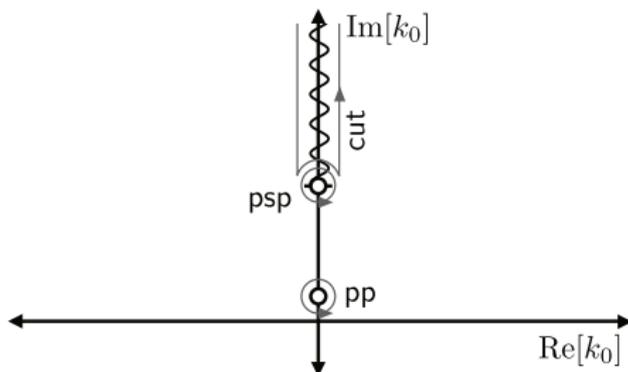
- **Step 4:** Do k_0 -integral and expand integrand in $1/L$ via $\mathbf{k} = \frac{2\pi\mathbf{n}}{L}$



$$= \left(\frac{1}{L^3} \sum_{\mathbf{k}}' - \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \int \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} \times \left\{ \frac{\Gamma_{\mu}(p, k) Z((p-k)^2) \Gamma_{\mu}(p-k, -k)}{k^2 [(p-k)^2 + m_p^2]} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma_{\mu\mu}(p, k, -k)}{k^2} \right\}$$

- Poles: **Photon**, **Pseudoscalar**

The k_0 -integral



- The poles are not enough! **Branch-cut** on the imaginary axis

$$\int \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} = \sum_{\text{poles}} + \int_{\text{cut}} \frac{dk_0}{2\pi}$$

- Smooth function on cut: add/subtract zero-mode $\mathbf{k} = 0$ in sum

$$\left(\frac{1}{L^3} \sum'_{\mathbf{k}} - \int \frac{d^3\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} \right) \int_{\text{cut}} \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} \stackrel{\text{Poisson}}{=} - \frac{1}{L^3} \int_{\text{cut}} \frac{dk_0}{2\pi} \Big|_{\mathbf{k}=0} + \mathcal{O}(e^{-m_p L})$$

- **Branch-cut**: Specific $1/L^3$ term from QED_L prescription

Finite-size effects in the mass

- Can use our knowledge of the Compton scattering amplitude decomposition to give $\Delta m_P^2(L)$ (c_j finite-size coefficients)

$$\Delta m_P^2(L) = e^2 m_{P,0}^2 \left\{ \frac{c_2}{4\pi^2 m_{P,0} L} + \frac{c_1}{2\pi (m_{P,0} L)^2} + \frac{\langle r_P^2 \rangle c_0}{3m_{P,0} L^3} + \frac{\mathcal{C}}{(m_{P,0} L)^3} + \mathcal{O} \left[\frac{1}{(m_{P,0} L)^4}, e^{-m_{P,0} L} \right] \right\}$$

- Leading two terms: point-like ([Davoudi, Savage 2014; BMW 2015; RM-123/Soton 2017])
- Structure-dependence the same as in NRsQED! [Davoudi, Savage 2014]
- Branch-cut: Specific to QED_L (not in QED_C [Lucini, Patella, Ramos, Tantaló 2016])
- Need \mathcal{C} to make a prediction:
 - 1 Defined in terms of Compton tensor integrated to infinity
 - 2 Can cancel other contributions at order $1/L^3$
 - 3 For the mass: $\mathcal{C} > 0$

- Model-independent and relativistic set-up, including structure-dependence
- Given form factor decomposition, we can stop at any order
- Everything depends on finite-volume coefficients c_j
- Branch-cut specific at order $1/L^3$ in QED_L
- NB: Approach relies on power-law/logarithmic FSEs
 \implies would not work for QED_M

→ How can we now use what we have learned?

- Infrared-divergent process:

$$\Gamma(P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell [\gamma]) = \Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1(\Delta E_\gamma)$$

- **RM-123/Soton strategy 2015**: Add and subtract universal (point-like) Γ_0^{uni}

$$\Gamma_0 + \Gamma_1(\Delta E_\gamma) = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} [\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{\text{uni}}(L)] + \lim_{m_\gamma \rightarrow 0} [\Gamma_0^{\text{uni}}(m_\gamma) + \Gamma_1(m_\gamma, \Delta E_\gamma)]$$

- **RM-123/Soton 2017**: $\Gamma_0^{\text{uni}}(L)$ calculated to give

$$\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{\text{uni}}(L) \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^2}\right)$$

- Our proposal: Replace $\Gamma_0^{\text{uni}}(L)$ by

$$\tilde{\Gamma}_0^{(n)}(L) = \Gamma_0^{\text{uni}}(L) + \sum_{j=2}^n \Delta\Gamma_0^{(j)}(L)$$

- $\Delta\Gamma_0^{(j)}(L)$ are here the FSEs of order $1/L^j$, containing both point-like and structure terms

Leptonic decays

- The residual volume-scaling is thus

$$\Gamma_0(L) - \Gamma_0^{(n)}(L) \sim \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{n+1}}\right)$$

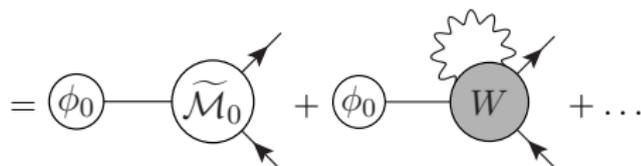
- Define the dimensionless FV function $Y^{(n)}(L)$ as

$$\Gamma_0^{(n)}(L) = \Gamma_0^{\text{tree}} \left[1 + 2 \frac{\alpha}{4\pi} Y^{(n)}(L) \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{n+1}}\right)$$

- NB: $Y^{(1)}(L) = Y(L)$ of [RM-123/Soton, 2017] in different approach

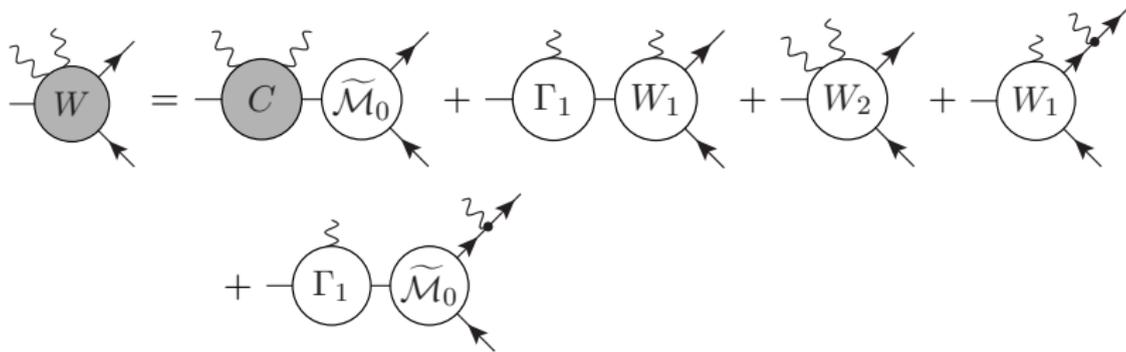
- Euclidean correlator for the decay $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell$

$$C_W^{rs}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}_\ell) = \int d^4z e^{ipz} \langle \ell^-, \mathbf{p}_\ell, r; \nu_\ell, \mathbf{p}_{\nu_\ell}, s | \text{T}[\mathcal{O}_W(z)\phi^\dagger(0)] | 0 \rangle$$



- Need to define kernels: **Play the same game**

Leptonic decays



- W_1 and W_2 depend on unphysical off-shell derivatives of the decay constant:
 f_n [RM-123/Soton 2017]
- W_1 : $A_1(k^2, (p+k)^2)$, $V_1(k^2, (p+k)^2)$, $H_{1,2}(k^2, (p+k)^2)$: appear in $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell \gamma^{(*)}$
 - On-shell: $F_A^P = A_1(0, -m_P^2)$ and $F_V^P = V_1(0, -m_P^2)$
 - Known from chiral perturbation theory [Bijnens, Ecker, Gasser 1992], lattice [RM-123/Soton 2020], experiment [...] (**Discrepancies** [RM-123/Soton 2020])
- W_2 : Structure-dependence starting at $1/L^4$ from $P^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu_\ell \gamma^{(*)} \gamma^{(*)}$

Finite-size effects

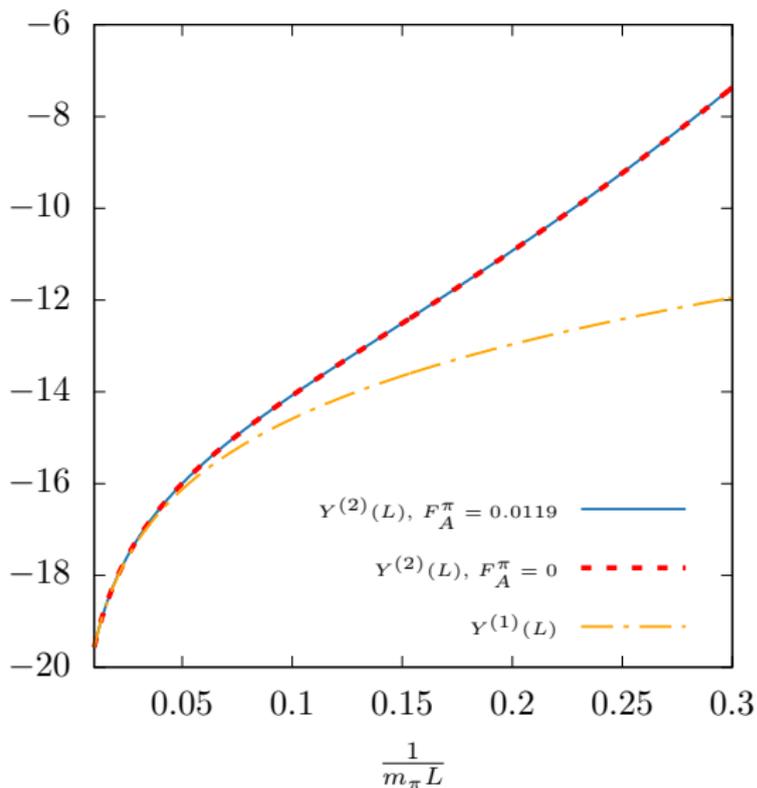
- Diagrams give $Y^{(n)}(L)$ for $n = 2$ as

$$Y^{(2)}(L) = \frac{3}{4} + 4 \log \left(\frac{m_\ell}{m_W} \right) + \frac{c_3 - 2 c_3(\mathbf{v}_\ell)}{2\pi} - 2 A_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell) + 2 \log \left(\frac{m_W L}{4\pi} \right) \\ - 2 A_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell) \left[\log \left(\frac{m_P L}{4\pi} \right) + \log \left(\frac{m_\ell L}{4\pi} \right) \right] - \frac{1}{m_P L} \left[\frac{(1 + r_\ell^2)^2 c_2 - 4 r_\ell^2 c_2(\mathbf{v}_\ell)}{1 - r_\ell^4} \right] \\ + \frac{1}{(m_P L)^2} \left[- \frac{F_A^P}{f_P} \frac{4\pi m_P [(1 + r_\ell^2)^2 c_1 - 4 r_\ell^2 c_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell)]}{1 - r_\ell^4} + \frac{8\pi [(1 + r_\ell^2) c_1 - 2 c_1(\mathbf{v}_\ell)]}{(1 - r_\ell^4)} \right]$$

- All unphysical quantities vanish, i.e. we could put $f_n = z_n = 0$ from the start (as they must at all orders in $1/L$)
- Only F_A^P appears
- Charge radii $\langle r_P^2 \rangle$ cancel between diagrams due to charge conservation
- Point-like agreement with RM-123/Soton: Different representations

$$c_3 = -\pi (4 + K_P - 4 \log 4\pi)$$

Numerical results: Physical Pion



- The $1/L^2$ -correction is sizeable
- **NB:** Point-like $1/L^2$ completely dominates

Convergence of the finite-volume expansion

- The $1/L^3$ correction can be evaluated in a point-like approximation (neglecting the $1/L^3$ structure-dependence and branch-cut):

$$Y^{(3),\text{Pt}}(L) = Y^{(2)}(L) + \frac{32\pi^2 c_0 (2 + r_\ell^2)}{(m_P L)^3 (1 + r_\ell^2)^3}$$

- For pions one finds at $L/a = 48$

$$Y_\pi^{(1)}(48) \approx -12.33$$

$$Y_\pi^{(2)}(48) \approx -8.93 \leftarrow \frac{51}{(m_\pi L)^2}$$

$$Y_\pi^{(3),\text{Pt}}(48) \approx -12.53 \leftarrow \frac{-209}{(m_\pi L)^3}$$

- **Extreme shift in going to $1/L^3$** [see talk by Di Carlo]

→ Large structure-dependence/branch-cut?

- We defined all necessary kernels to evaluate $1/L^3$
- Branch-cut situation different from the self-energy case

Convergence of the finite-volume expansion

- What about the higher-order point-like terms?

$$\Upsilon^{(4),\text{Pt}}(L) - \Upsilon^{(3),\text{Pt}}(L) = 0$$

$$\Upsilon^{(5),\text{Pt}}(L) - \Upsilon^{(4),\text{Pt}}(L) = -\frac{4\pi^4 c_{-2} \left(r_\ell^{14} + 9r_\ell^{12} + 37r_\ell^{10} + 93r_\ell^8 + 163r_\ell^6 + 1051r_\ell^4 + 2871r_\ell^2 - 385 \right)}{3 \left(r_\ell^2 + 1 \right)^7 (m_P L)^5}$$

$$\Upsilon^{(6),\text{Pt}}(L) - \Upsilon^{(5),\text{Pt}}(L) = 0$$

$$\Upsilon^{(7),\text{Pt}}(L) - \Upsilon^{(6),\text{Pt}}(L) = \frac{8\pi^6 c_{-4}}{9 \left(r_\ell^2 + 1 \right)^{11} (m_P L)^7} \left\{ r_\ell^2 \left[7 \left(r_\ell^{12} + 13r_\ell^{10} + 79r_\ell^8 + 299r_\ell^6 + 794r_\ell^4 + 1586r_\ell^2 + 1998 \right) r_\ell^8 \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. + 9802r_\ell^6 + 99027r_\ell^4 + 323799r_\ell^2 - 63835 \right] - 15111 \right\}$$

- However, $c_{-2j} = 0$ for all j

⇒ No point-like contributions through order $1/L^7$

- Structure-dependence can still appear, but cf. exponential FSEs...
- Same story for mass:

$$\Delta m_P^2(L) = \dots + e^2 m_P^2 \left\{ \frac{\pi^2 c_{-2}}{2 (m_P L)^5} - \frac{2\pi^4 c_{-4}}{(m_P L)^7} + \frac{15\pi^6 c_{-6}}{2 (m_P L)^9} \right\}$$

Conclusions

- With model-independent principles it is indeed possible to predict FSEs beyond the point-like approximation (only physical form-factors and derivatives appear ← needed from lattice, experiments, ChPT, ...)
- Our approach: General and easy to go to higher orders (software)

$$\Delta\mathcal{O}(L) = C_0 + C_{\log} \log m_P L + C_1 \frac{1}{m_P L} + C_2 \frac{1}{(m_P L)^2} + \left(C_3^{\text{pole}} + C_3^{\text{cut}} \right) \frac{1}{(m_P L)^3} + C_4 \frac{1}{(m_P L)^4} + \dots$$

- Peculiarity in QED_L : Branch-cut terms appear at order $1/L^3$
- Crucial to understand branch-cuts and/or estimate them for $1/L^3$ and beyond
 - 1 Self-energy
 - 2 Leptonic decays
 - 3 Hadronic vacuum polarisation
- Things for the future: Semi-leptonic decays, $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$, ...