

Non-perturbative QCD for Nuclear Physicists

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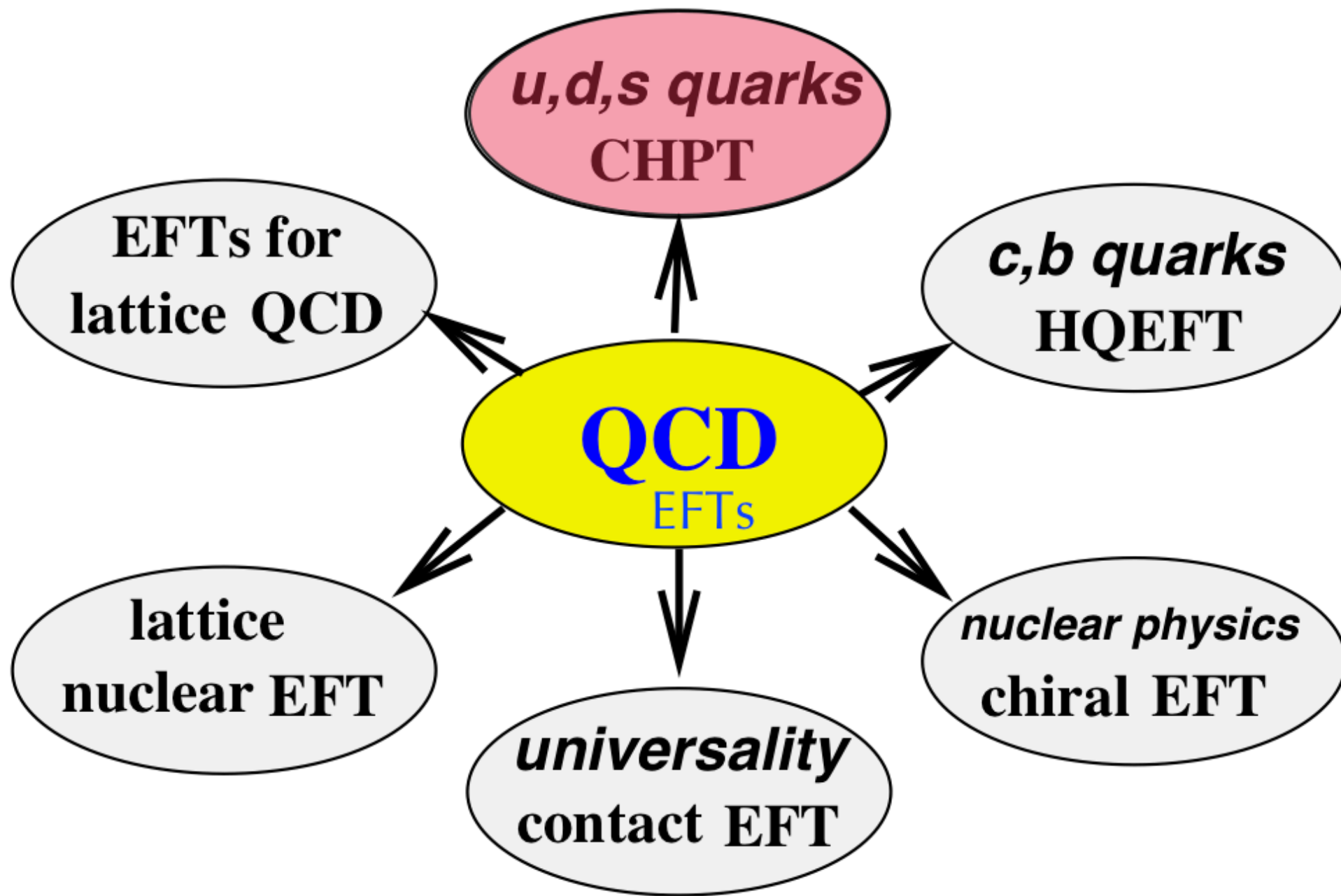
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LECTURE II

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- ChiPT (cont)
- Lattice QCD
- $\pi\pi$



$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}} = \sum_{i=1}^3 (\bar{q}_i i \not{D} q_i - m_i \bar{q}_i q_i) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu}$$

u,d,s active flavors

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ig A_\mu \qquad A_\mu = A_\mu^a T_a$$

$$T_a \in SU(3)$$

$$U(1)_V \times SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$$

Baryon number

Chiral symmetry:

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$$\delta_{ij} \rightarrow (LR^\dagger)_{ij} \equiv \Sigma_{ij}$$

mass scale t.b.d

Excitations of the condensate:

$$\Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma(x) \equiv e^{2i\pi(x)} \underbrace{f}_{\nearrow}$$

$$\pi(x) = \pi_a(x) T_a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} & \pi^+ & K^+ \\ \pi^- & -\frac{\pi^0}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{6}} & K^0 \\ K^- & \bar{K}^0 & -\frac{2\eta}{\sqrt{6}} \end{pmatrix} \sim \begin{pmatrix} u\bar{u} & u\bar{d} & u\bar{s} \\ d\bar{u} & d\bar{d} & d\bar{s} \\ s\bar{u} & s\bar{d} & s\bar{s} \end{pmatrix}$$

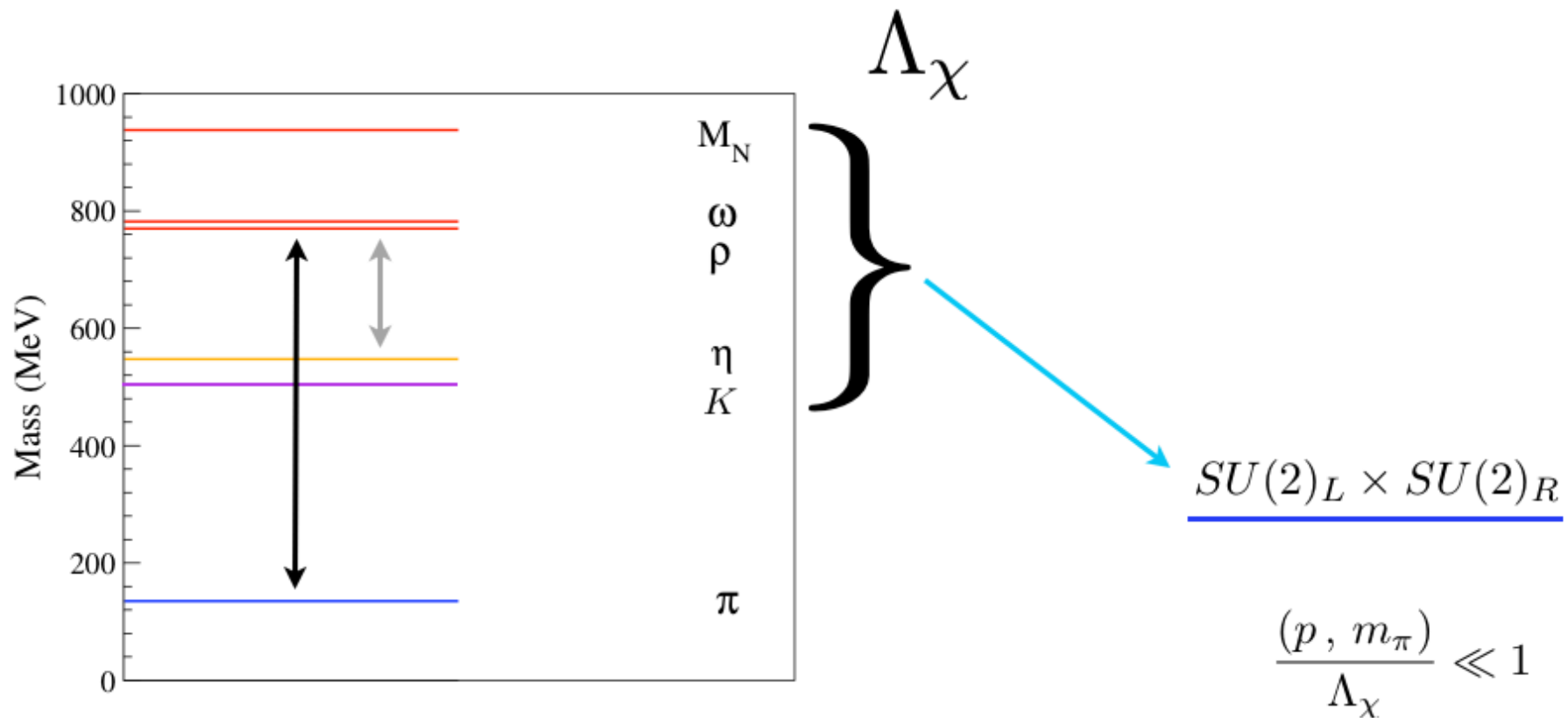
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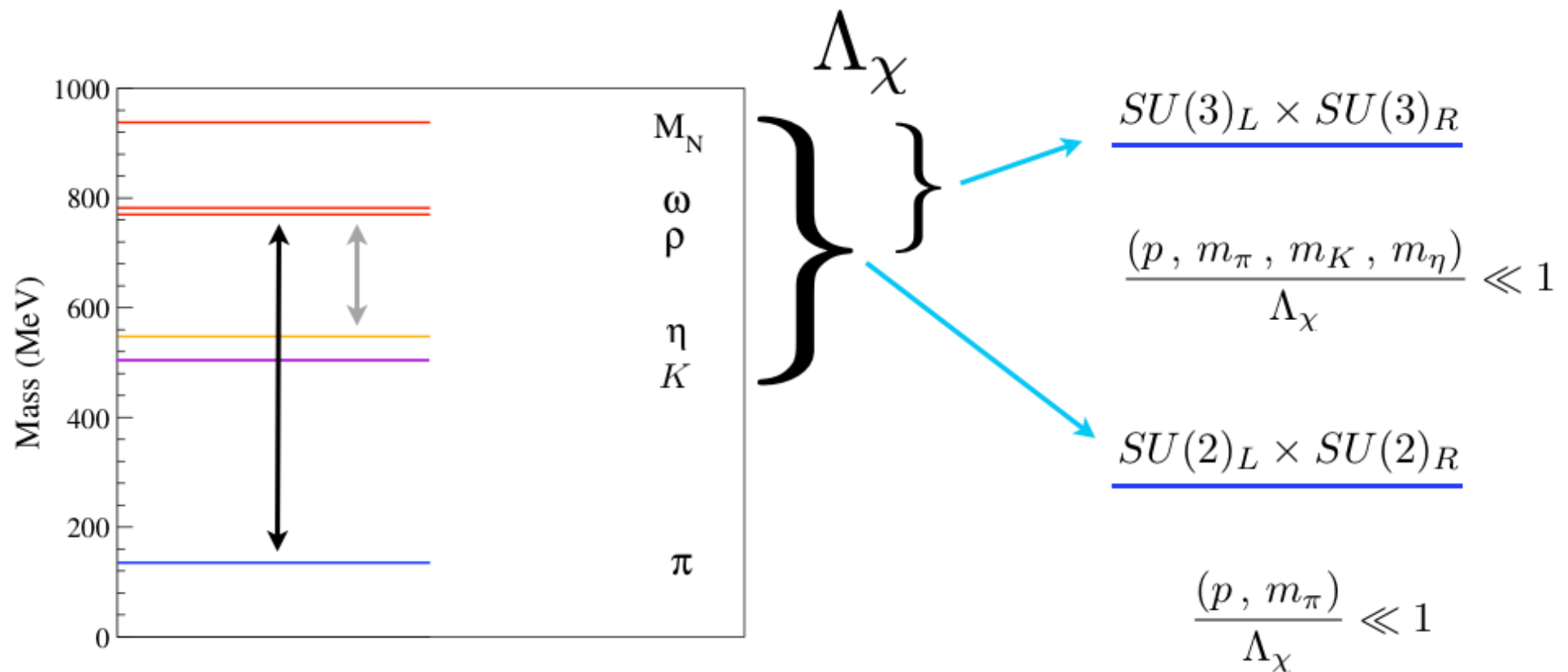
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$$\langle 0 | \bar{u} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) d | \pi^-(p) \rangle \equiv i\sqrt{2} f_\pi p^\mu \qquad f_\pi = 92.4 \pm 0.25 \text{ MeV}$$

||

$$2(j_{L1}^\mu + ij_{L2}^\mu)$$

$\pi \rightarrow \mu\nu$

$$\chi - \text{PT}: \quad j_{La}^\mu = -i \frac{f^2}{2} \text{Tr} T_a \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\mu \Sigma = \frac{1}{2} f \partial^\mu \pi_a + \dots$$

Matching:

$$f = f_\pi = 93 \text{ MeV}$$

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$$m_\pi^2 = \lambda_M(m_u + m_d) \quad m_{K^+}^2 = \lambda_M(m_u + m_s) \quad m_{K^0}^2 = \lambda_M(m_d + m_s)$$

$$m_\eta^2 = \frac{1}{3} \lambda_M(m_u + m_d + 4m_s) + \mathcal{O}((m_u - m_d)^2)$$

$$m_{\pi^0}^2 = \lambda_M(m_u + m_d) + \mathcal{O}((m_u - m_d)^2)$$

$$3m_\eta^2 + m_\pi^2 = 4m_K^2$$

Gell-Mann Okubo

EXP: 1%

λ_M ??

$$\mathcal{H}_{QCD} = \dots + \sum_i m_i \bar{q}_i q_i + \dots$$

$$\langle 0 | \bar{q}_i q_i | 0 \rangle = \frac{\partial}{\partial m_i} \langle 0 | \mathcal{H}_{QCD} | 0 \rangle = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_0}{\partial m_i}$$

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χ -PT:

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Matching: $\langle 0 | \bar{q}_i q_i | 0 \rangle = \lambda_M f^2$

$$m_\pi^2 = \frac{\langle 0 | \bar{u} u | 0 \rangle}{f^2} (m_u + m_d)$$

*Gell-Mann-
Oakes-
Renner*

Power counting

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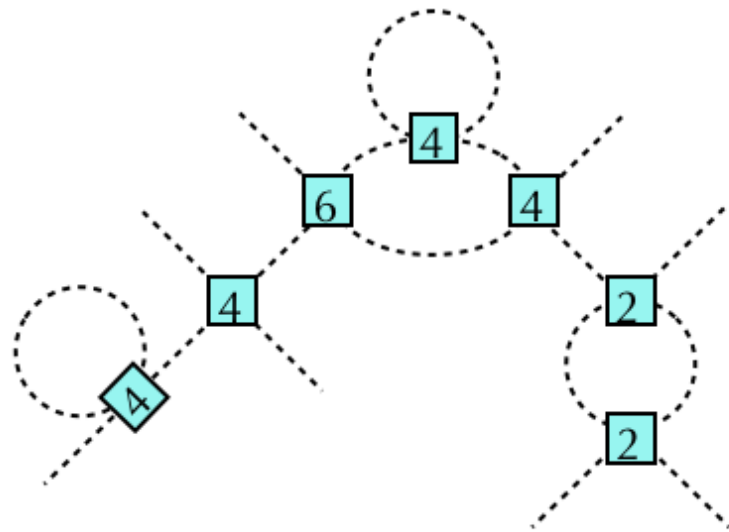
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note: $p = (q, m_\pi)$

$$p^{\sum_d d V_d - 2I + 4L}$$

+

$$L = I - \sum_d V_d + 1$$

↓

$$N = \sum_d \frac{1}{2} (d - 2) V_d + L$$

$$f^2 p^2 \left(\frac{p^2}{f^2} \right)^N \left(\frac{1}{f} \right)^E$$

Generic *power counting*

Sub-leading Lagrangian

$$\underline{SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R}$$

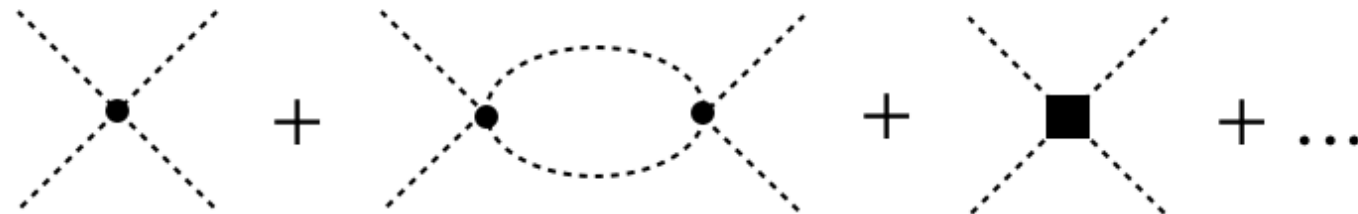
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{p^4} = & L_1 (\text{Tr} (\partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\mu \Sigma))^2 + L_2 \text{Tr} (\partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial_\nu \Sigma) \text{Tr} (\partial^\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\nu \Sigma) \\ & + L_3 \text{Tr} (\partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\mu \Sigma \partial_\nu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\nu \Sigma) + L_4 \text{Tr} (\partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\mu \Sigma) \text{Tr} (\chi \Sigma + \text{h.c.}) \\ & + L_5 \text{Tr} ((\partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\mu \Sigma) (\chi \Sigma + \text{h.c.})) + L_6 (\text{Tr} (\chi \Sigma + \text{h.c.}))^2 \\ & + L_7 (\text{Tr} (\chi \Sigma - \text{h.c.}))^2 + L_8 \text{Tr} (\chi \Sigma \chi \Sigma + \text{h.c.}) \end{aligned} + WZ$$

$$\underline{SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{p^4} = & \frac{\ell_1}{4} (\text{Tr} (\partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\mu \Sigma))^2 + \frac{\ell_2}{4} \text{Tr} (\partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial_\nu \Sigma) \text{Tr} (\partial^\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\nu \Sigma) \\ & + \frac{\ell_4}{4} \text{Tr} (\partial_\mu \Sigma^\dagger \partial^\mu \Sigma) \text{Tr} (\chi \Sigma + \text{h.c.}) + \frac{(\ell_3 + \ell_4)}{4} (\text{Tr} (\chi \Sigma + \text{h.c.}))^2 + \frac{\ell_7}{4} (\text{Tr} (\chi \Sigma - \text{h.c.}))^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\chi \equiv 2\lambda_M M$$

Example: $\pi\pi$ scattering



$$f^2 p^2 \left(\frac{p^2}{f^2}\right)^N \left(\frac{1}{f}\right)^E$$

$$\frac{p^2}{f^2}$$

$$\frac{p^4}{f^4} \log \frac{p^2}{\mu^2}$$

$$\frac{p^4}{f^4}$$

$I = 2$
s-wave
 scattering
 length

$$m_\pi a_2 = -\frac{m_\pi^2}{8\pi f_\pi^2} \left[1 + \frac{3m_\pi^2}{16\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \left(\log \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} + \bar{l}_{\pi\pi}(\mu) \right) \right]$$

$$\bar{l}_{\pi\pi} \equiv -\frac{64\pi^2}{3} [4(\ell_1 + \ell_2) + \ell_3 - \ell_4] + 1$$

Not constrained by symmetries!

But related to other processes!

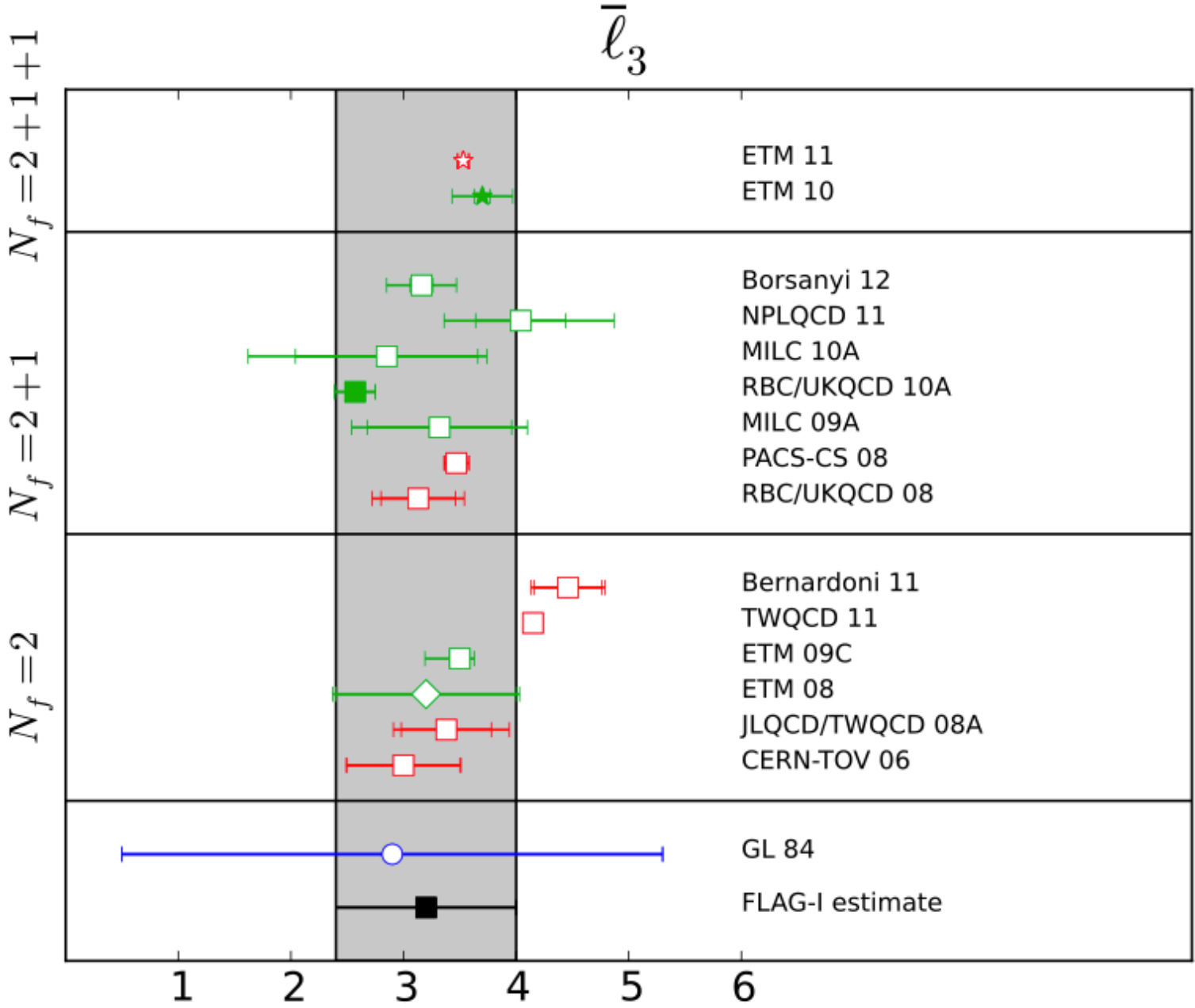
Quark mass dependence of masses and decay constants!

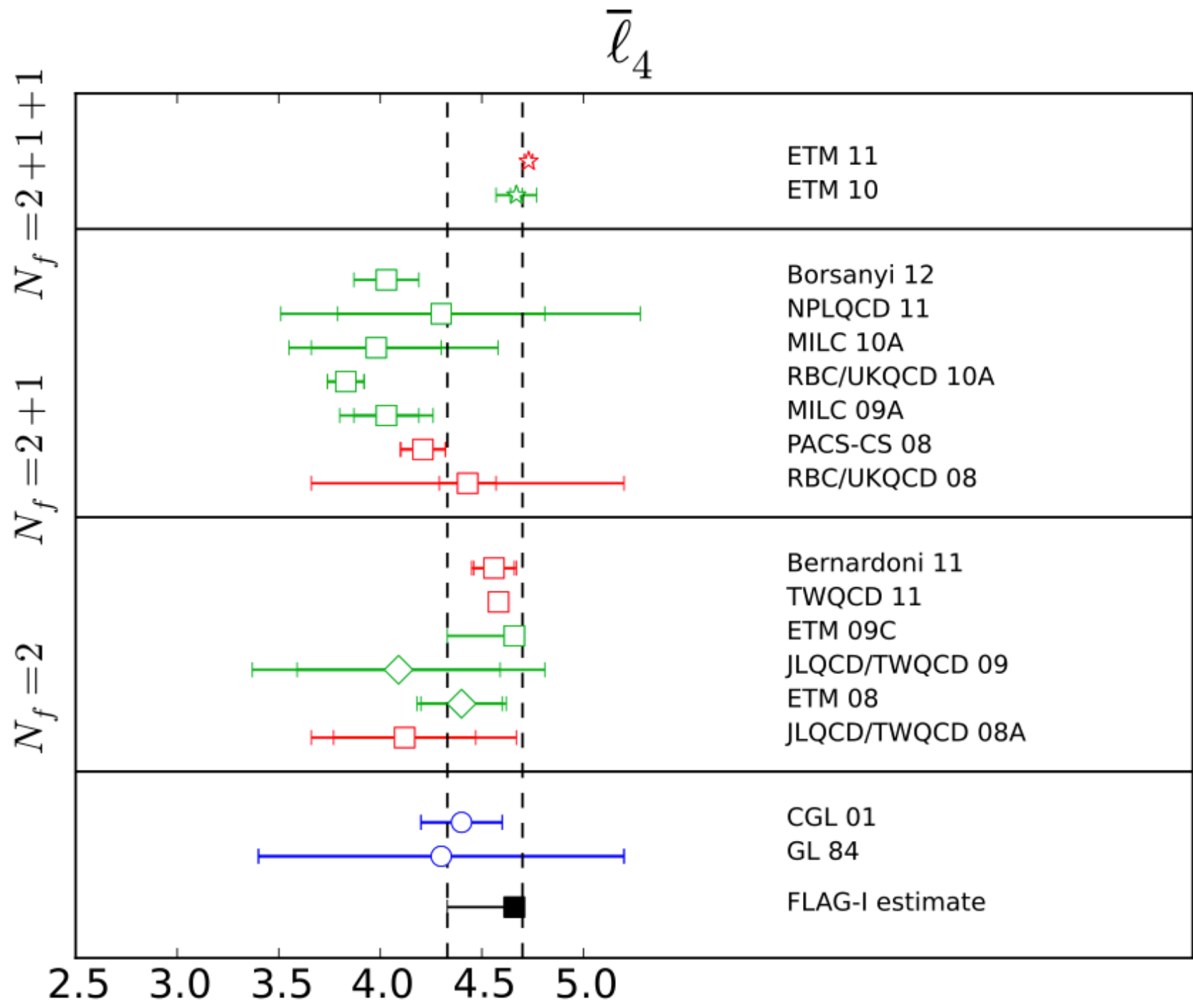
$$m_\pi^2 = 2Bm_q \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{2}\xi \ln \left(\frac{\xi}{\xi^{\text{phy}}} \right) - \frac{1}{2}\xi \bar{l}_3 \right\}$$
$$f_\pi = f \left\{ 1 - \xi \ln \left(\frac{\xi}{\xi^{\text{phy}}} \right) + \xi \bar{l}_4 \right\}$$

$$\xi = \frac{m_\pi^2}{8\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \quad \bar{l}_i = \log \frac{\Lambda_i^2}{(m_\pi^{\text{phy}})^2}$$

Calculated using Lattice QCD!

FLAG = Flavour Lattice Averaging Group





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QCD Euclidean Path Integral

$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}A_\mu \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \mathcal{D}\psi e^{\int d^4x \left(-\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} - \bar{\psi} [D_\mu \gamma_\mu + m] \psi + \mathcal{L}_{G.F.} \right)}$$

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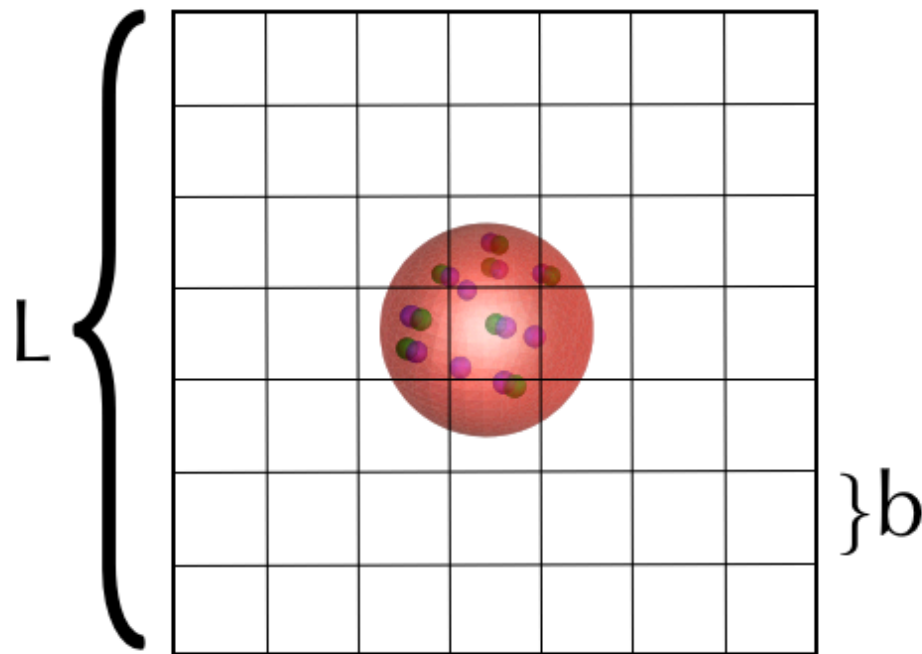


The correlation functions

Need a non-perturbative definition!

Lattice regularization

LATTICE QCD = QCD ON A GRID OR LATTICE



volume: $M_{\pi} L \gg 1$

infrared cutoff

lattice spacing: $b \ll M_N^{-1}$

ultraviolet cutoff

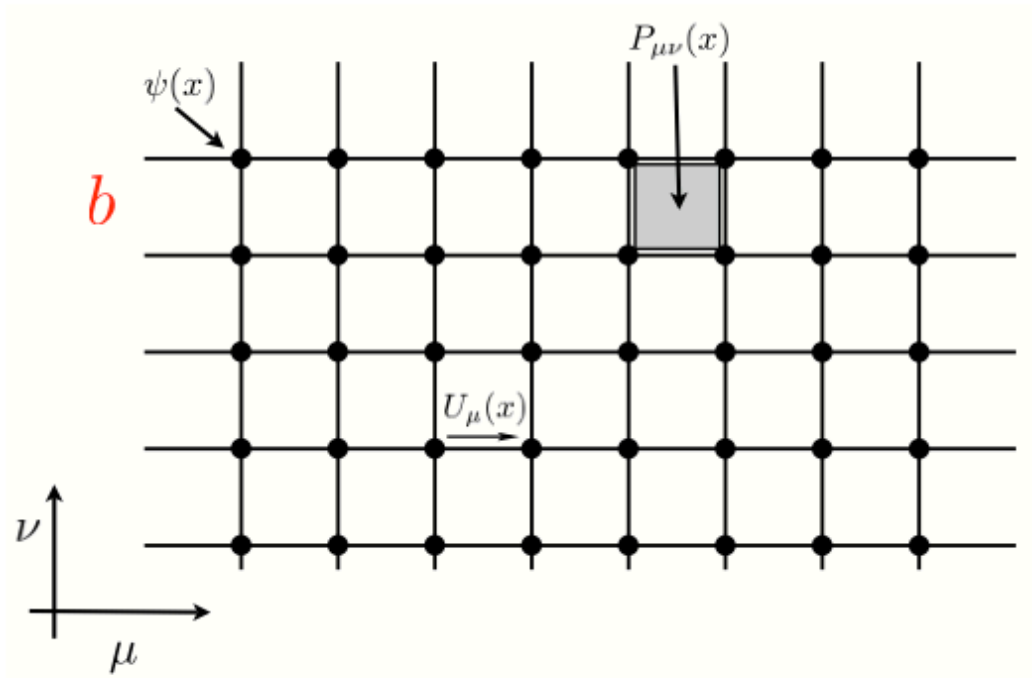
Can use [Effective Field Theory](#) to extrapolate in L and b!

(systematic uncertainties from lattice artifacts are controlled)

gauge sector:

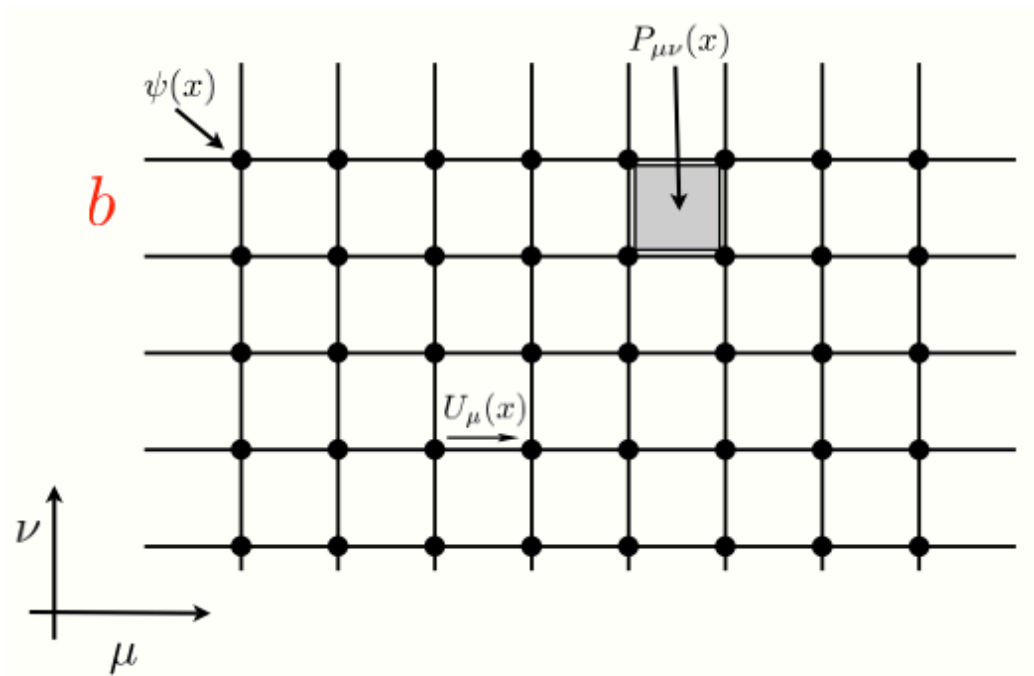
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special
unitary
matrices



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$$S_g(U) = \beta \sum_{x\mu\nu} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} \text{ReTr} P_{\mu\nu}(x) \right) \xrightarrow{b \rightarrow 0} - \int d^4x \frac{1}{4} (F_{\mu\nu}^a(x))^2$$

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$$S^{(W)} = b^4 \sum_x \mathcal{L}^{(W)}(x) = b^4 \left(m + \frac{4}{b} \right) \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \psi(x) + \frac{b^3}{2} \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \left[(\gamma_\mu - 1) U_\mu(x) \psi(x + b\hat{\mu}) - (\gamma_\mu + 1) U_\mu^\dagger(x - b\hat{\mu}) \psi(x - b\hat{\mu}) \right]$$

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Montecarlo Integration

Matrix Inversion

$$D(U)\chi = \psi$$

Generalized Gaussian Integration

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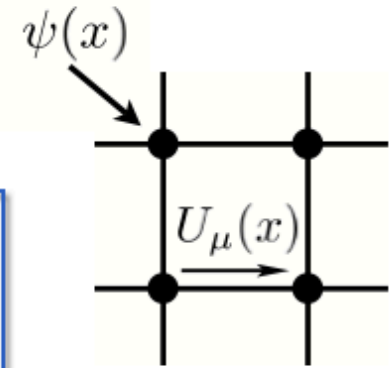
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“Wick contractions”

QCD path integral with Montecarlo



$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle \sim \int \underbrace{dU_\mu}_{\text{oooo}} \underbrace{d\bar{\psi}}_{\text{green dot}} \underbrace{d\psi}_{\text{purple dot}} \mathcal{O}(U, \psi, \bar{\psi}) e^{-S_g(U) - \bar{\psi} D(U) \psi}$$

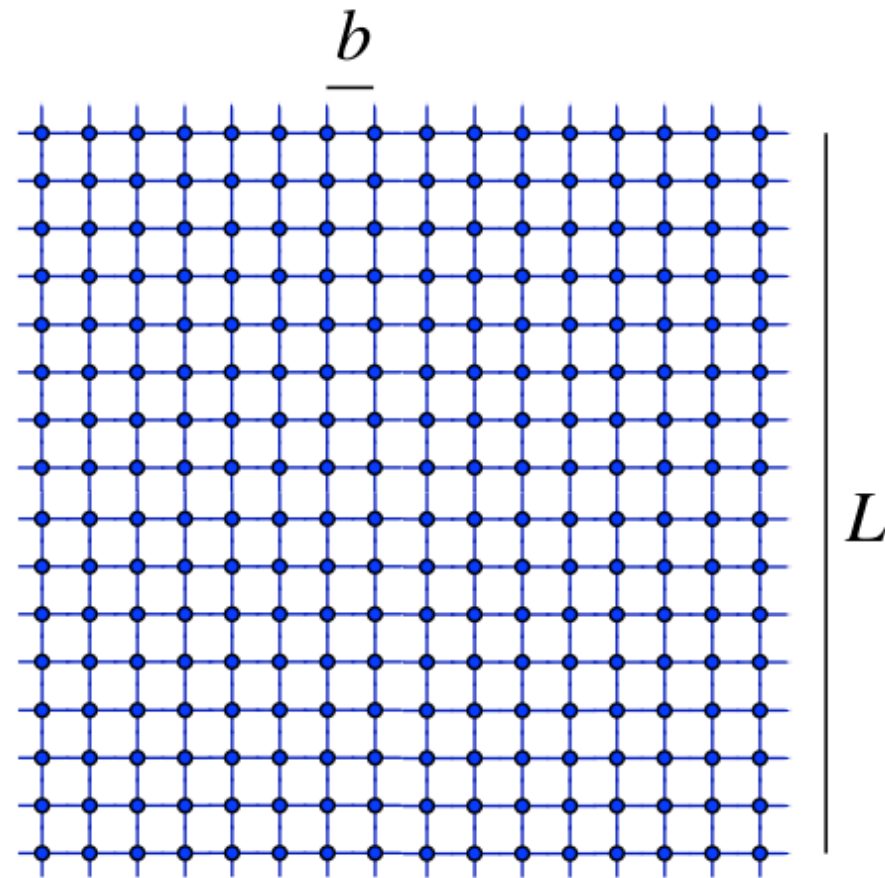
propagators
(detector)

N gauge configurations
(accelerator)

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle \sim \int dU_\mu \mathcal{O}(D(U)^{-1}) \det(f(U)) e^{-S_g(U)} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{O}(D(U_i)^{-1})$$

Estimate of \mathcal{O} with $\sigma_{\mathcal{O}} \sim 1/\sqrt{N}$

Lattice QCD Economics



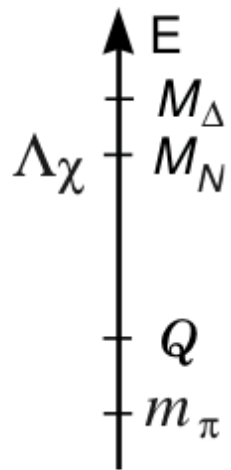
$$\text{COST} \sim (L)^4 (b)^{-6.5} (M_q)^{-2.5}$$

QCD:



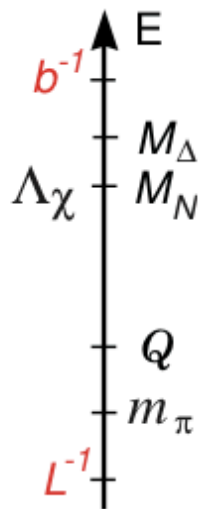
$$\frac{Q}{\Lambda_{\chi}}, \quad \frac{m_{\pi}}{\Lambda_{\chi}}, \quad \frac{M_{\Delta} - M_N}{\Lambda_{\chi}}, \quad \dots$$

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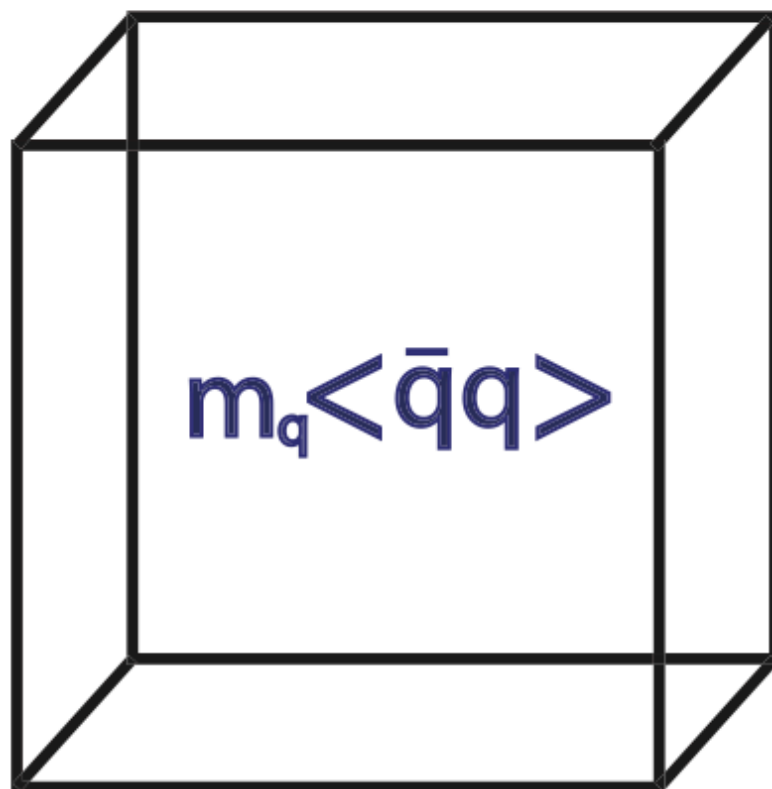
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Lattice QCD :



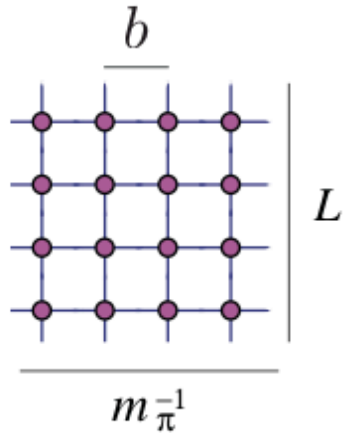
$$b m_\pi, \quad e^{-m_\pi L}, \quad m_\pi L, \quad \frac{1}{L \Lambda_\chi}, \quad \dots$$

What happens to chiral symmetry breaking at *finite V*?



$$|\mathbf{p}| = \frac{2\pi|\mathbf{n}|}{L} \ll \Lambda_\chi \quad \implies \quad fL \gg 1$$

- $m_q \langle \bar{q}q \rangle L^4 = (m_\pi L)^2 (fL)^2 \sim p^{-2} \gg 1$:

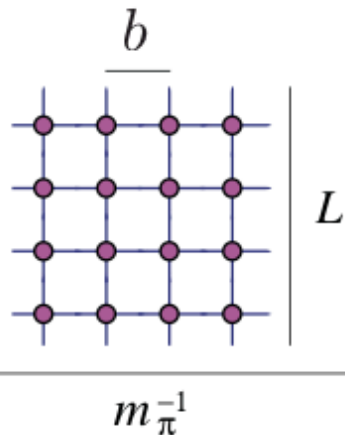


$$m_\pi L \gtrsim 1 \quad \underline{p \text{ regime}}$$

$$L^{-1} \sim m_\pi \sim p$$

$$(L_t \gg L_s) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \int d^4l \rightarrow \int dl_0 \sum_{\vec{l}}$$

- $(m_\pi L)^2 (fL)^2 \sim \epsilon^0 \lesssim 1$:



$$m_\pi L \ll 1 \quad \underline{\epsilon \text{ regime}}$$

$$L^{-1} \sim \sqrt{m_\pi} \sim \epsilon$$

Momentum zero-modes nonperturbative

What happens to chiral symmetry breaking at *finite b*?

Symanzik action:

$$\mathcal{O}(b) : \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{EFT}} = \sum_{i=1}^3 (\bar{q}_i i \not{D} q_i - m_i \bar{q}_i q_i) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} G_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} + b c_{sw} \sum_i \bar{q}_i \sigma_{\mu\nu} G^{\mu\nu} q_i + \dots$$

Sheikholeslami-Wohlert

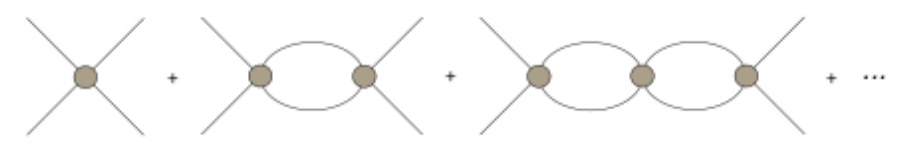
$$A \rightarrow RAL^\dagger$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{M,A} = \lambda_M \frac{f^2}{2} (\text{Tr} M \Sigma + \text{h.c.}) + \lambda_A \frac{f^2}{2} (\text{Tr} A \Sigma + \text{h.c.})$$

$$m_\pi^2 = \lambda_M (m_u + m_d) + 2\lambda_A b c_{sw}^{(V)}$$

Scattering in a finite volume

Recall NR scattering

$$\mathcal{A}_2(p) = \frac{4\pi}{M} \frac{1}{p \cot \delta(p) - ip} = \text{diagram 1} + \text{diagram 2} + \text{diagram 3} + \dots$$


sum of poles in a Finite Volume!

$$\mathcal{A}_2^{-1}(p) = 0$$

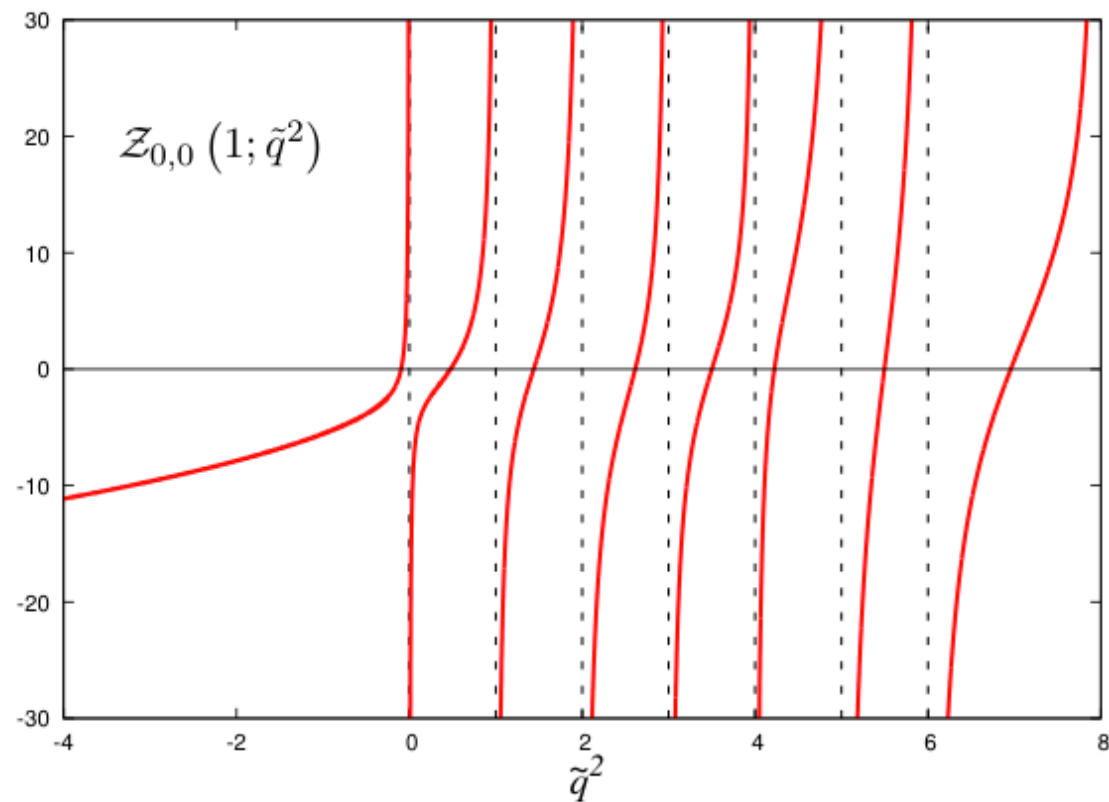
eigenvalue equation

S-wave at Finite Volume

$$q \cot \delta_0 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}L} \mathcal{Z}_{0,0}(1; \tilde{q}^2) \quad \mathcal{Z}_{0,0}(1; \tilde{q}^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \lim_{\Lambda_n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\sum_{\mathbf{n}}^{\Lambda_n} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{n}|^2 - \tilde{q}^2} - 4\pi\Lambda_n \right]$$

$$+ \mathcal{O}(e^{-M_\pi L})$$

(Lüscher, 1990)



Weak coupling expansion:

$$\Delta E_0(2, L) = \frac{4\pi a_{\pi\pi}}{m_\pi L^3} \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{a_{\pi\pi}}{\pi L}\right) \mathcal{I} + \left(\frac{a_{\pi\pi}}{\pi L}\right)^2 [\mathcal{I}^2 - \mathcal{J}] + \left(\frac{a_{\pi\pi}}{\pi L}\right)^3 [-\mathcal{I}^3 + 3\mathcal{I}\mathcal{J} - \mathcal{K}] \right\} + \frac{8\pi^2 a_{\pi\pi}^3}{m_\pi L^6} r_{\pi\pi} + \mathcal{O}(L^{-7})$$

Calculated on
the lattice!

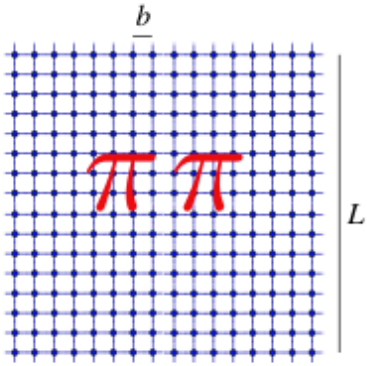
phase shift

$$\mathcal{I} = \lim_{\Lambda_j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{|\mathbf{i}| \leq \Lambda_j \\ \mathbf{i} \neq \mathbf{0}}} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{i}|^2} - 4\pi\Lambda_j = -8.91363291781$$

$$\mathcal{J} = \sum_{\mathbf{i} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{i}|^4} = 16.532315959$$

$$\mathcal{K} = \sum_{\mathbf{i} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{1}{|\mathbf{i}|^6} = 8.401923974433$$

$\pi\pi$ scattering in lattice QCD



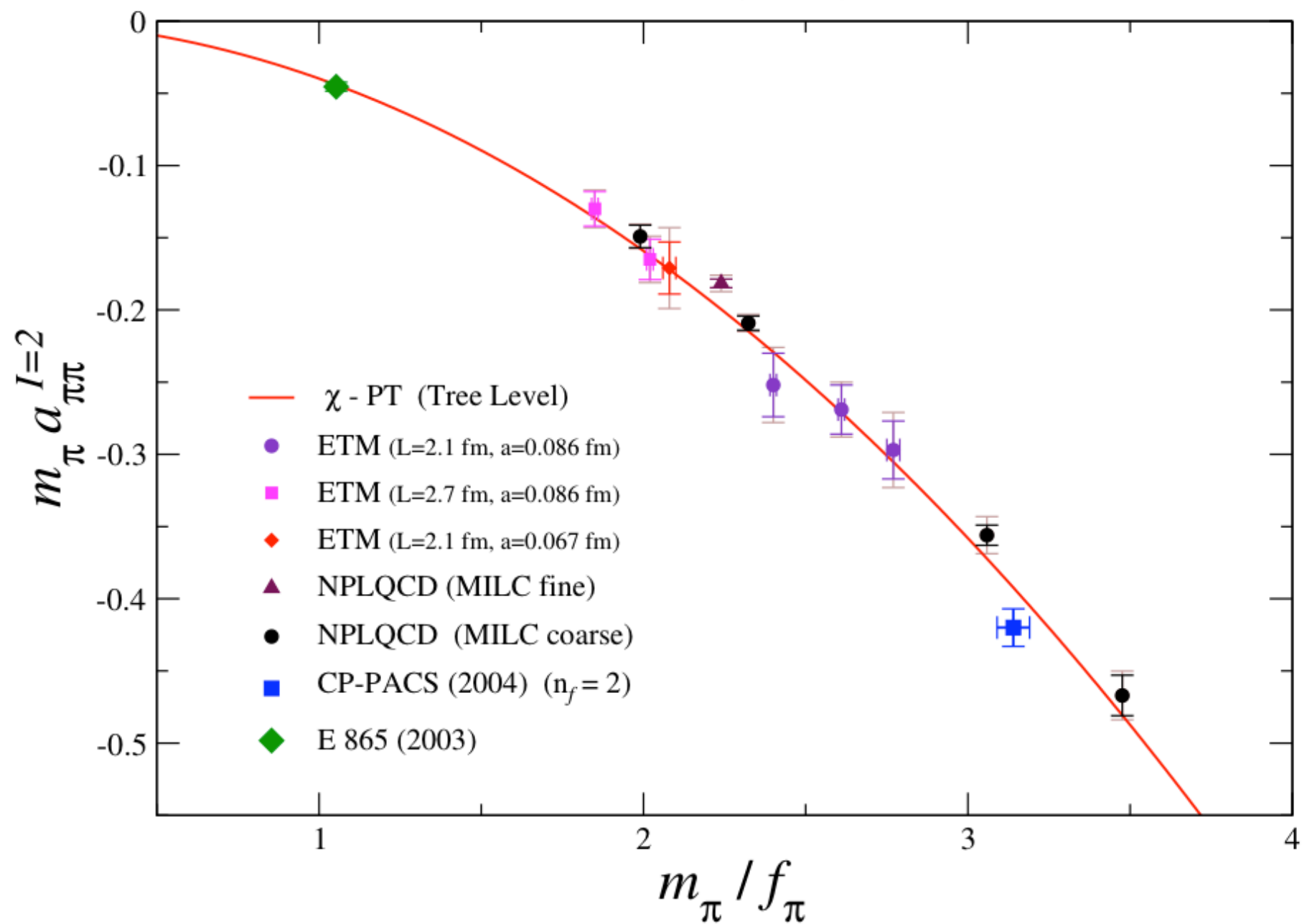
$$\mathcal{O}_{\pi^+}(t, \vec{x}) = \bar{u}(t, \vec{x}) \gamma_5 d(t, \vec{x})$$

$$C_{\pi^+\pi^+}(p, t) = \langle 0 | \sum_{|\mathbf{p}|=p} \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} e^{i\mathbf{p}\cdot(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})} \mathcal{O}_{\pi^-}(t, \mathbf{x}) \mathcal{O}_{\pi^-}(t, \mathbf{y}) \mathcal{O}_{\pi^+}(0, \mathbf{0}) \mathcal{O}_{\pi^+}(0, \mathbf{0}) | 0 \rangle$$

$$\frac{C_{\pi^+\pi^+}(p, t)}{C_{\pi^+}(t)C_{\pi^+}(t)} \rightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{A}_n e^{-\Delta E_n(2, L) t}$$

$$\Delta E_n(2, L) \equiv 2 \sqrt{\vec{p}_n^2 + m_\pi^2} - 2m_\pi$$

$\pi^+ \pi^+ (I=2)$

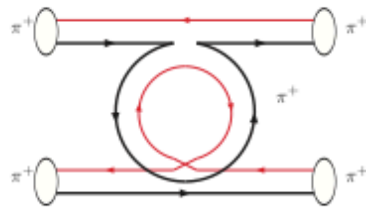


Chiral *and* continuum extrapolation

$$m_\pi a_{\pi\pi}^{I=2} (b \neq 0) = -\frac{m_\pi^2}{8\pi f_\pi^2} \left[1 + \frac{m_\pi^2}{16\pi^2 f_\pi^2} \left(3 \log \frac{m_\pi^2}{16\pi^2 f_\pi^2} - 1 - l_{\pi\pi}^{I=2} \right) \right]$$

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MA χ -PT

$$+ \frac{m_\pi^2}{8\pi f_\pi^2} \left[\frac{1}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2} \left[\frac{\tilde{\Delta}_{ju}^4}{6m_\pi^2} \right] \right]$$

$$\tilde{\Delta}_{ju}^2 \equiv \tilde{m}_{jj}^2 - m_{uu}^2 = 2B_0(m_j - m_u) + b^2 \Delta_I + \dots = 0.0769(22)$$

- Contains all $\mathcal{O}(m_\pi^2 b^2)$ and $\mathcal{O}(b^4)$ lattice artifacts.
- m_π and f_π are the lattice-physical parameters.
- Many sources of systematic error.

Error budget

- Higher-order effects in MA χ PT:

$$\mathcal{O}(m_\pi^4 b^2) \sim \frac{2\pi m_\pi^4}{(4\pi f_\pi)^4} \frac{b^2 \Delta_I}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2} < 1\%$$

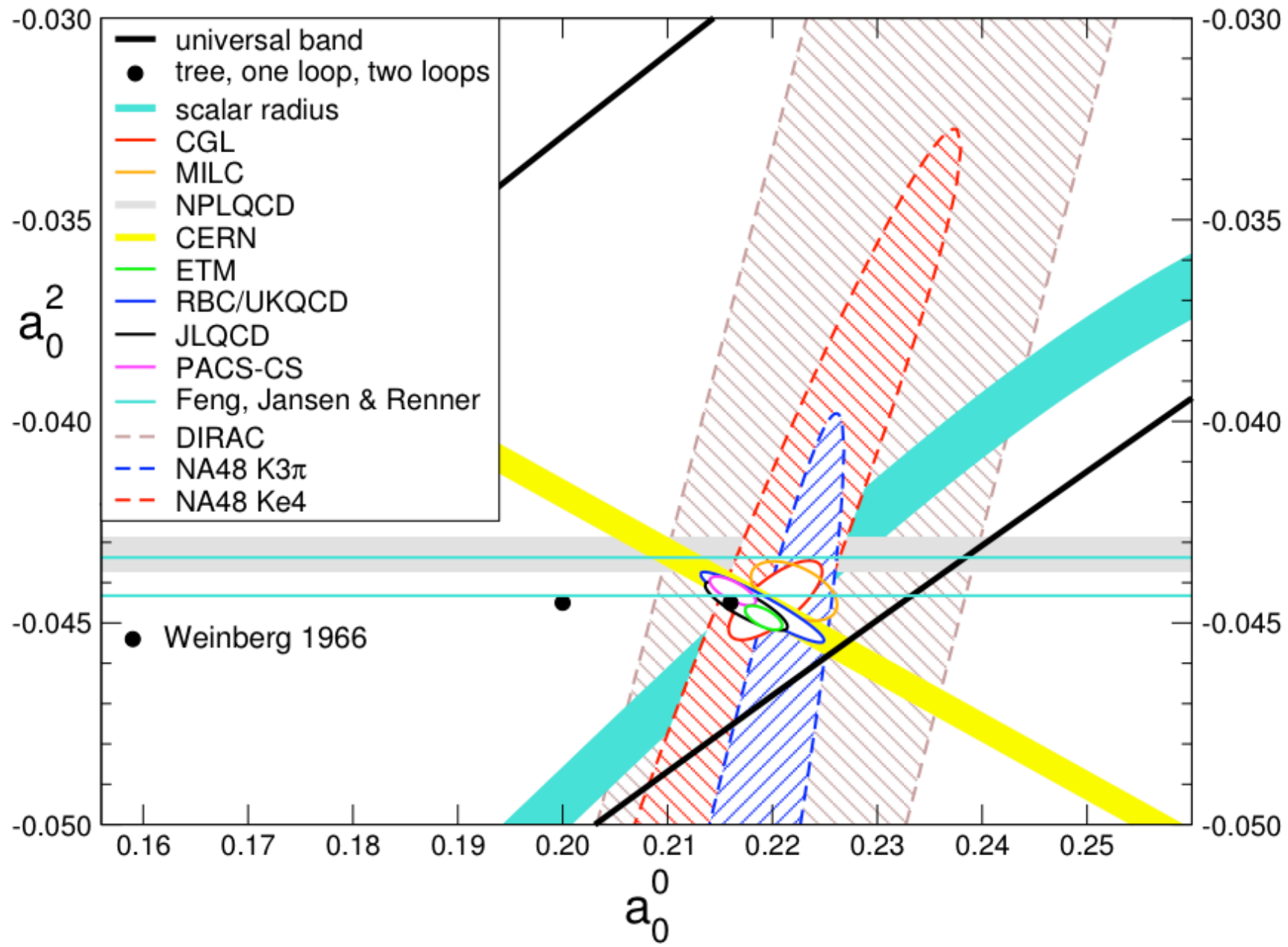
- Finite-volume effects: $\sim 4\%$ at lightest mass.
- Residual chiral symmetry breaking:

$$\frac{8\pi m_\pi^4}{(4\pi f_\pi)^4} \frac{m_{res}}{m_l} \sim 3\%$$

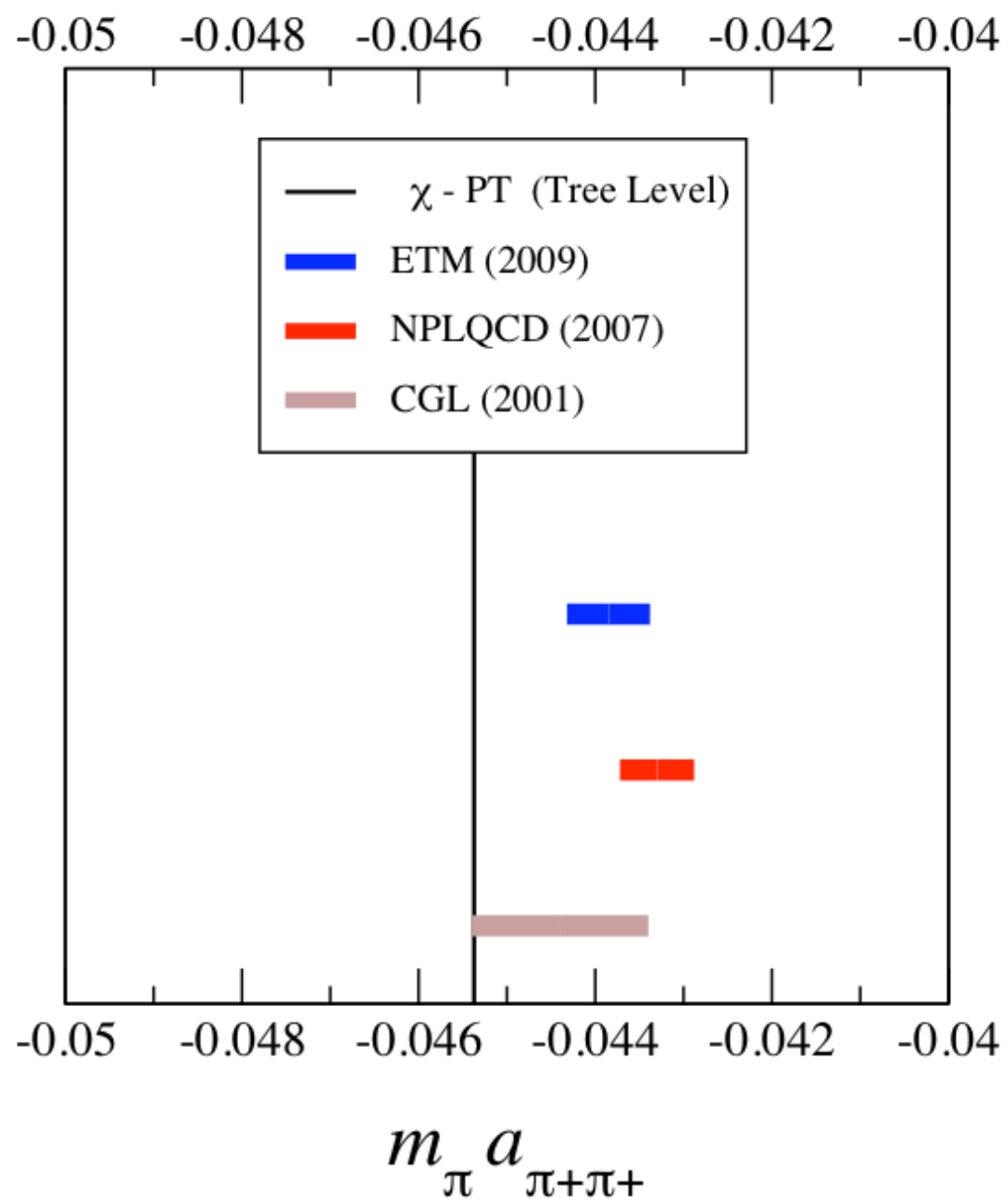
- Range corrections:

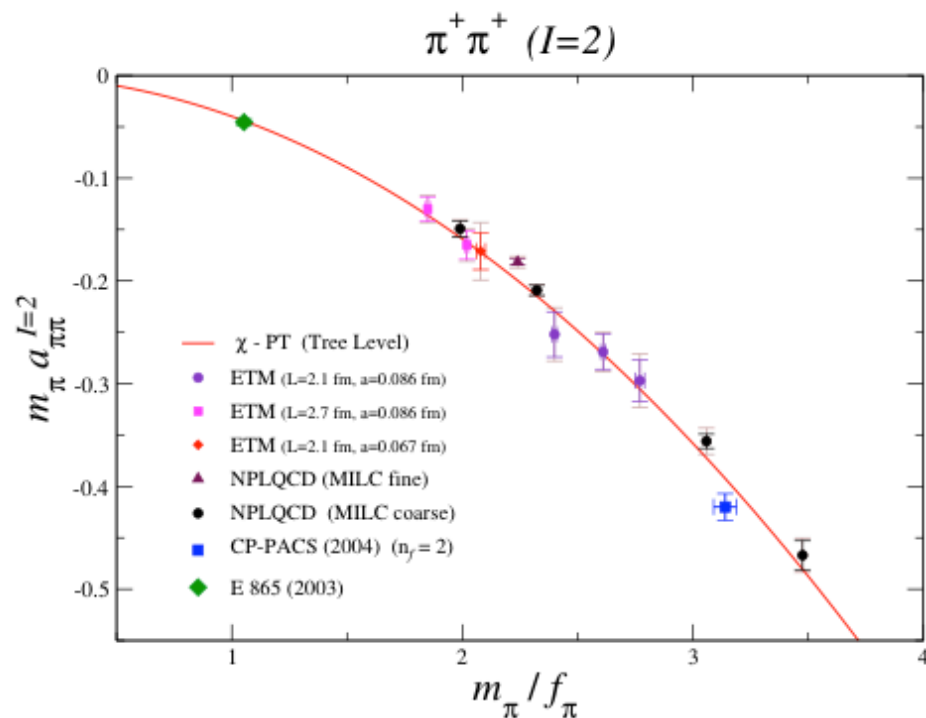
$$\frac{(m_\pi a_{\pi\pi}^{I=2})^2 p^2}{2m_\pi^2} \sim 1\%$$

- Isospin violation: Only issue if compare to experiment!



(Courtesy of H. Leutwyler)





EFT works
too well!!

