

Stabilised Wilson fermions – from large-scale to master-field simulations

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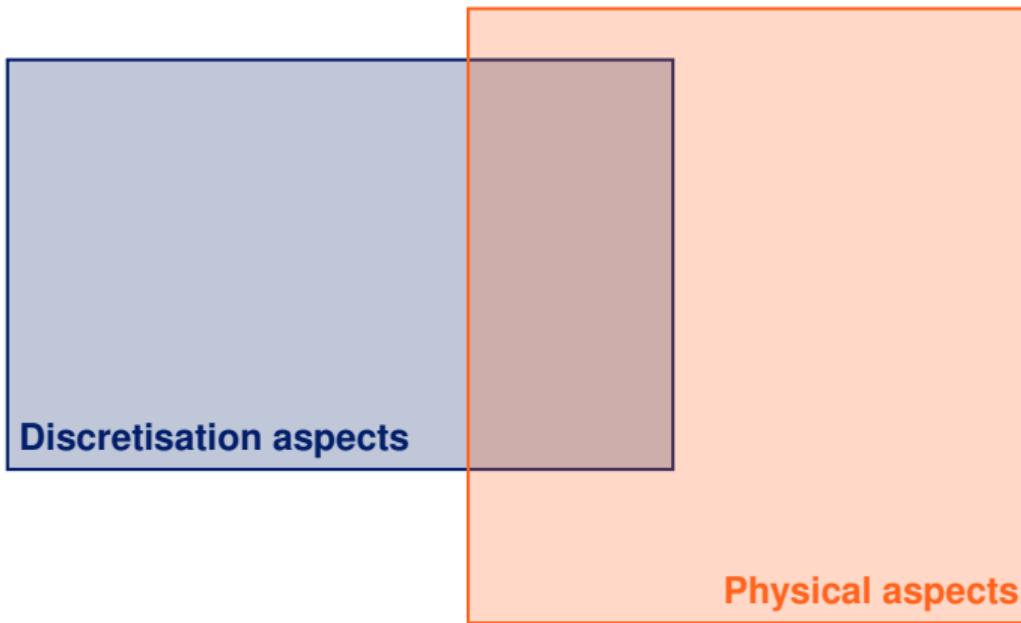
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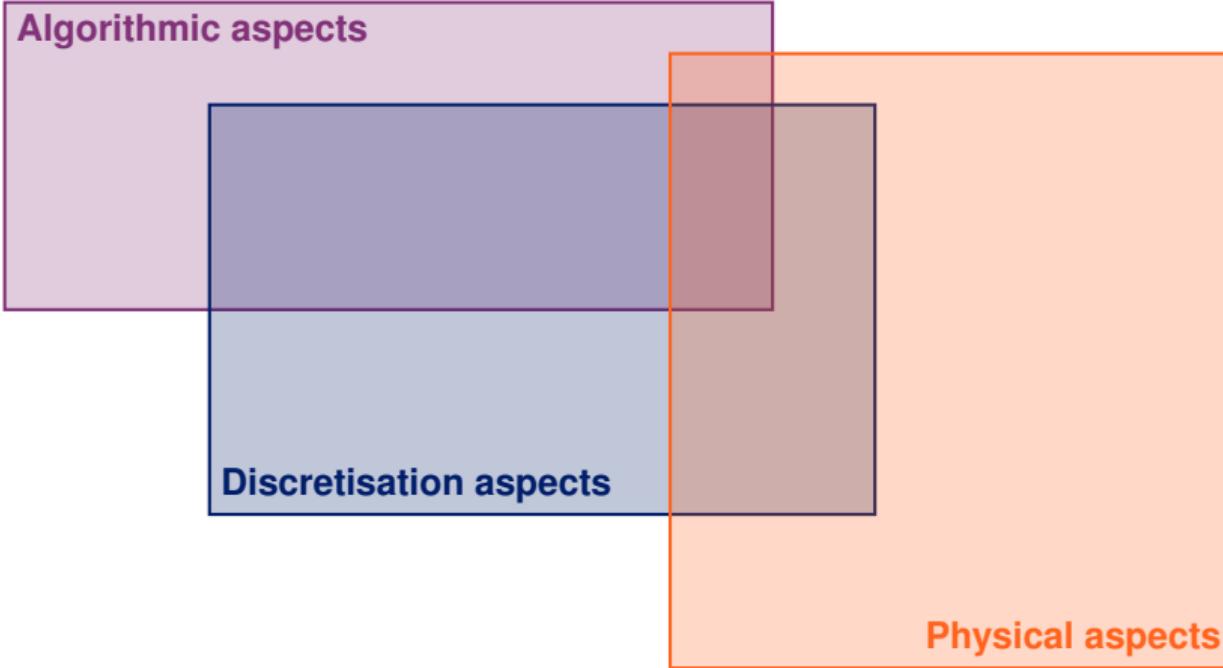


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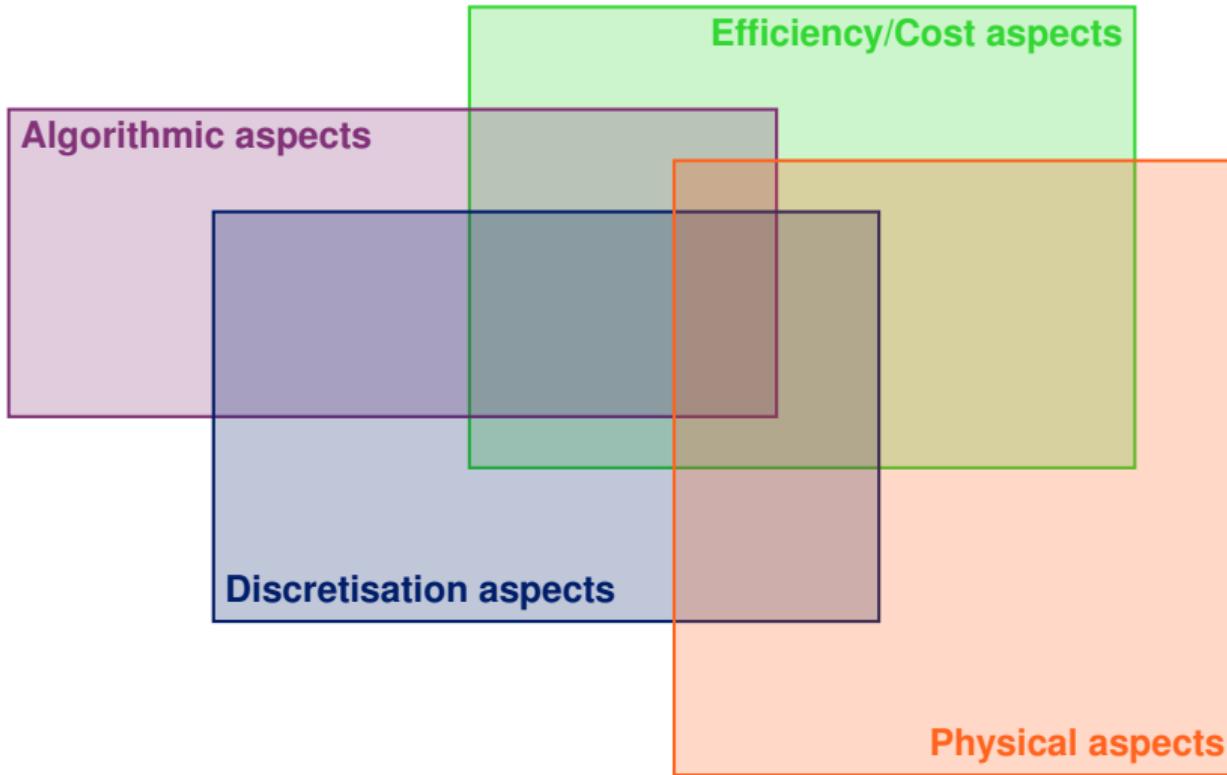
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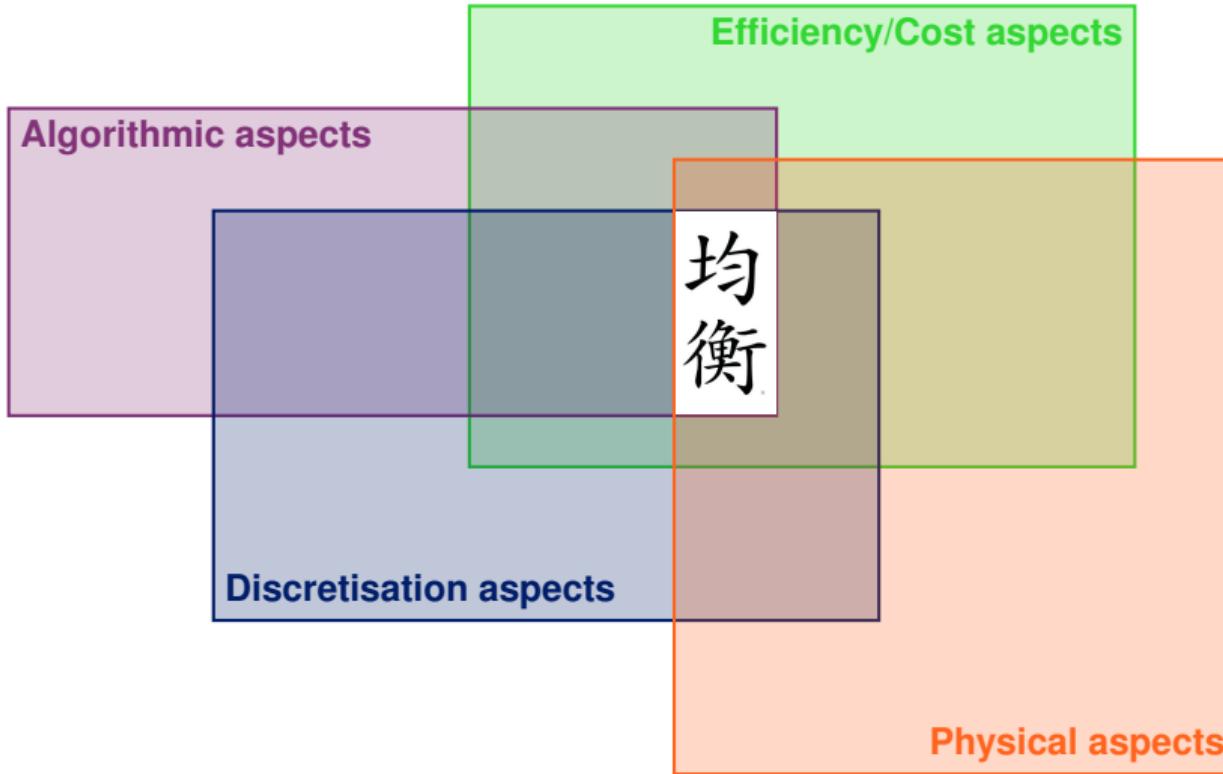
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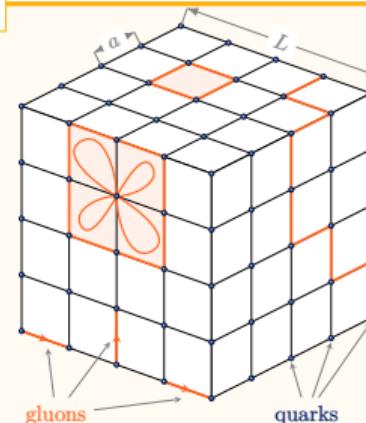
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Lattice regularization

- lattice spacing (a) and physical volume ($V_4 = L^4$)
→ finite lattice Λ
- fermions $\psi, \bar{\psi}$ on lattice sites $x \in \Lambda$
- gluons $U(x + a\hat{\mu}, x) \sim e^{-iA_\mu(x)}$ on lattice links
- a variety of lattice actions $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_G + \mathcal{S}_F$



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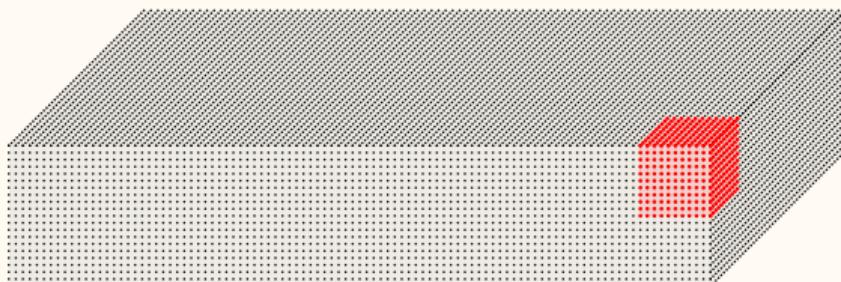
- various (Krylov) solvers
- precondition techniques (eo, det-splitting, ...)
- mixed-precision arithmetic
- symplectic integrators w/ multiple time-scales
- architecture dependent optimisations
- ...

The master-field approach^[1]

Master-field lattice

single master-field replaces classical (Markov chain) ensemble

$$N_V = \frac{V_4^{\text{mf}}}{V_4} = \prod_{i=0}^3 N_i \simeq 100 - 1000 \approx N_U$$



⇒ expectation values from translation average $\langle\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle\rangle$

$$\langle\mathcal{O}(x)\rangle = \langle\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle\rangle + O(N_V^{-1/2}) ,$$

$$\langle\langle \mathcal{O}(x) \rangle\rangle = \frac{1}{N_V} \sum_z \mathcal{O}(x+z)$$

based on **stochastic locality** due to short-range interaction

- QCD field variables in distant regions fluctuate largely independent
- their distribution is everywhere the same (with periodic bc.)
- translation averages replace ensemble averages provided localisation range of $\mathcal{O} \ll L$ (lattice extent)
- uncertainties estimated using standard methods through correlations in space

Concept successfully applied to SU(3) YM theory.^[2]

It isn't straightforward to simulate QCD on very large lattices!



A (naive) stochastic picture of Lattice QCD

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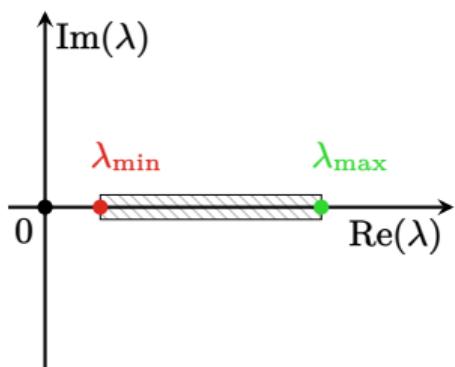
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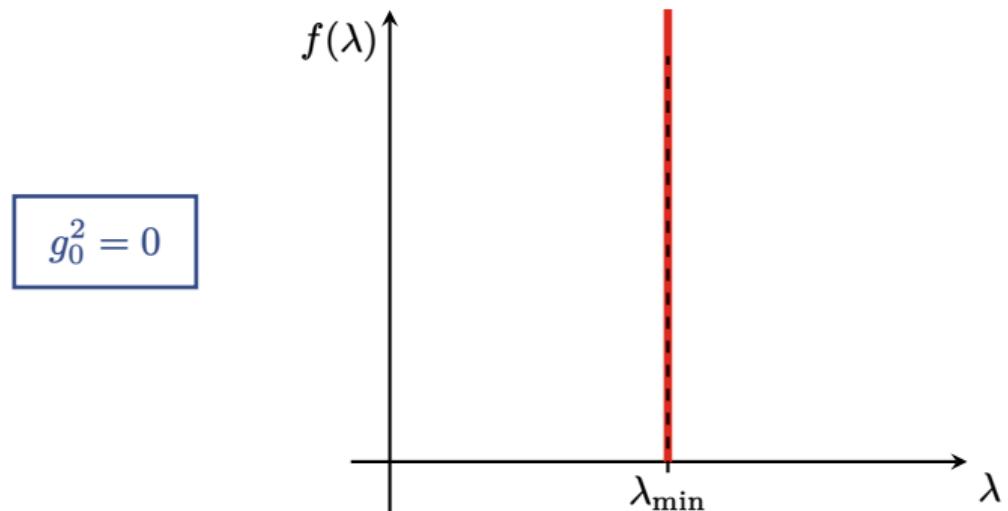
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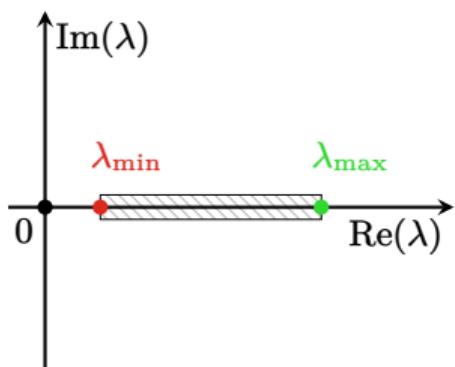
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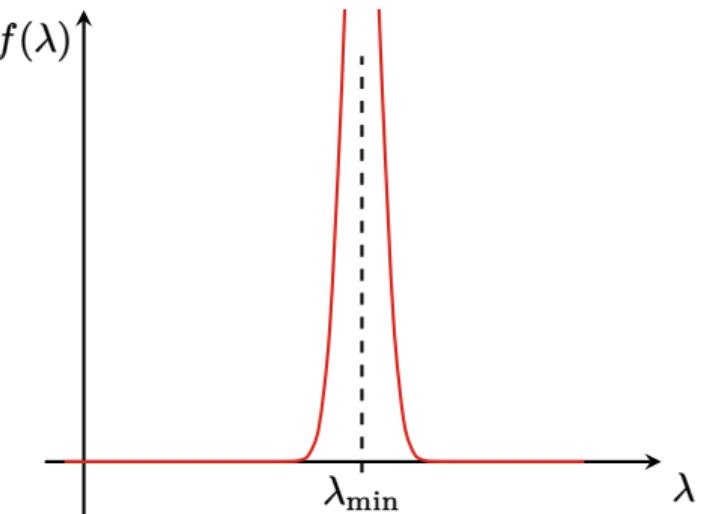
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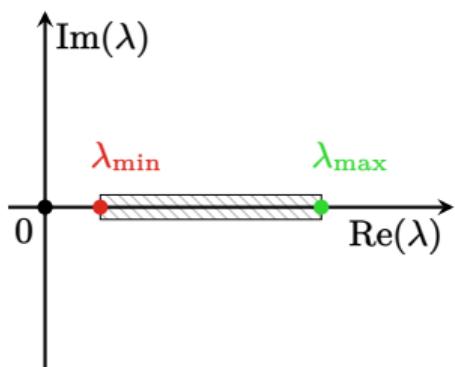
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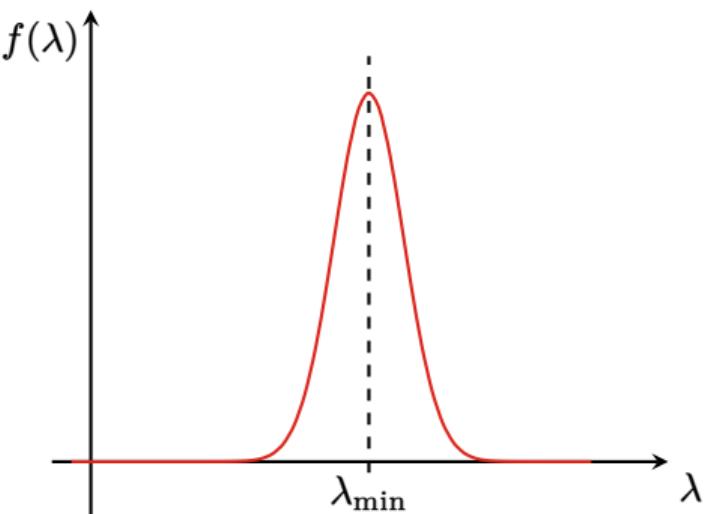
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$$g_0^2 > 0$$

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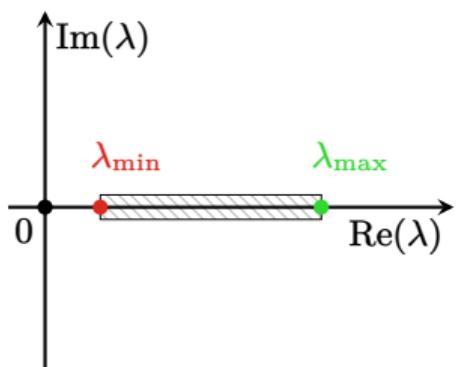
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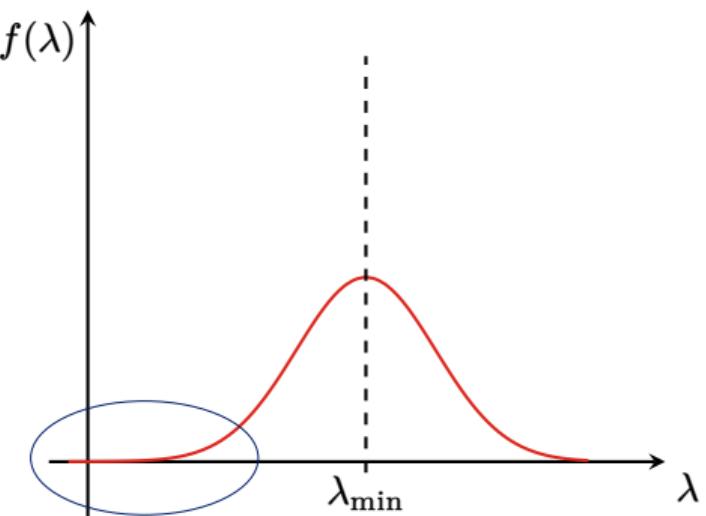
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increased chance of encountering near-zero mode

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Critical aspects of lattice QCD simulations

Various choices (strongly) impact simulation cost and reliability of a simulation.

Discretisation aspects

- gauge action (impacts UV fluctuations)
- fermion action (lattice Dirac operator D)
- spectral gap of $D \sim \lambda_{\min}$ (near zero-modes in MD evolution)

Algorithmic aspects

- update algorithm: Hybrid Monte-Carlo (exploration of phase space)
- integration schemes and length (symplectic integrators)
- numerical precision, e.g. in global sums (Metropolis step) (double precision)
- solver parameters (stability & performance)

Physical aspects

- coarse a \rightsquigarrow promote large fluctuations of gauge field (roughness of U fields)
- small m_{ud} \rightsquigarrow result in small eigenvalues $\lambda_{\min}(m_{ud})$ of lattice Dirac operator
- large $(L/a)^4$ \rightsquigarrow increase risk of exceptional behaviour (e.g. from MD force)

Large potential for algorithmic instabilities and precision issues.



Additional stability measures required.^[3]



Stabilising measures for QCD

a.k.a.



Stabilised
Wilson
Fermions



include ...

- new fermion action / Wilson–Dirac operator
- new algorithm: stochastic molecular dynamics (SMD) algorithm^[4–7]
- solver stopping criteria

$$\|D\psi - \eta\|_2 \leq \rho \|\eta\|_2 ,$$

$$\|\eta\|_2 = \left(\sum_x (\eta(x), \eta(x)) \right)^{1/2} \propto \sqrt{V}$$

✓ V -independent uniform norm: $\|\eta\|_\infty = \sup_x \|\eta(x)\|_2$

$\|\eta\|_\infty$ for all forces ($\text{res}_F = 10^{-12} \dots 10^{-10}$) and some actions ($\text{res}_\phi = 10^{-12}$)

- global Metropolis accept-reject step (numerical precision must increase with V)

$$\Delta H \propto \epsilon^p \sqrt{V}$$

✓ quadruple precision in global sums

- well-established techniques

✓ Schwarz Alternating Procedure, local deflation, multi-grid, ...
even-odd & mass-preconditioning, multiple time-scales, ...



with exponential clover term

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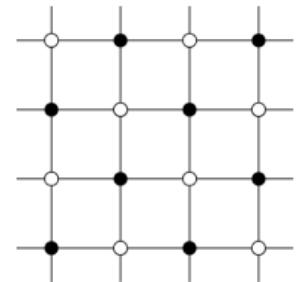
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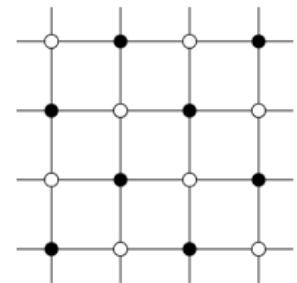
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✓ Employ exponential mapping

- regulates UV fluctuations
- valid Symanzik expansion/improvement
- guarantees invertibility



New Wilson–Dirac operator^[3]

with exponential clover term

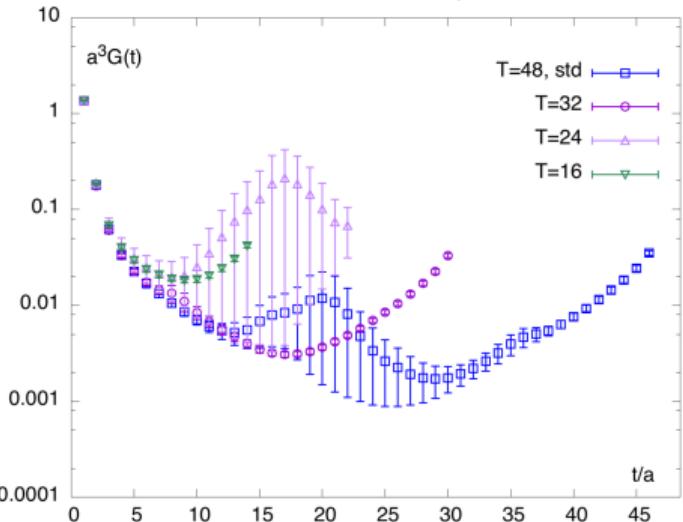
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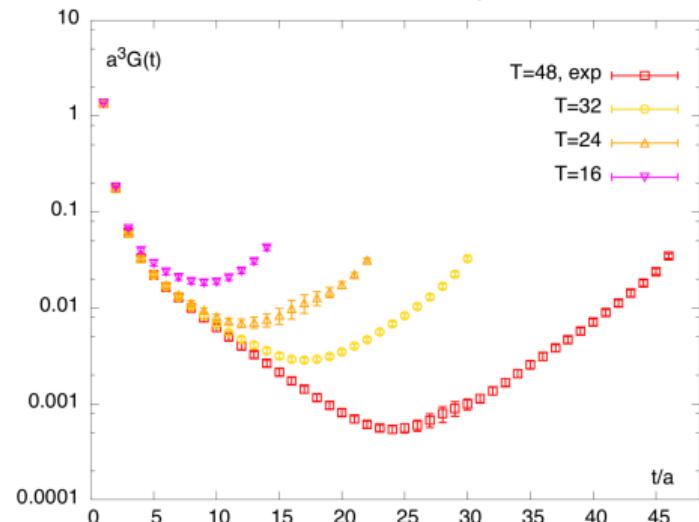
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Pion correlator in pure Yang–Mills theory ($N_f = 0, m_\pi \simeq 200 \text{ MeV}, \beta = 6.0, a \simeq 0.094 \text{ fm}$):

std. Wilson–Dirac operator



new Wilson–Dirac operator





Stochastic Molecular Dynamics (SMD) algorithm^[4–7]

Refresh $\pi(x, \mu), \phi(x)$ by random field rotation

$$\pi \rightarrow c_1\pi + c_2v,$$

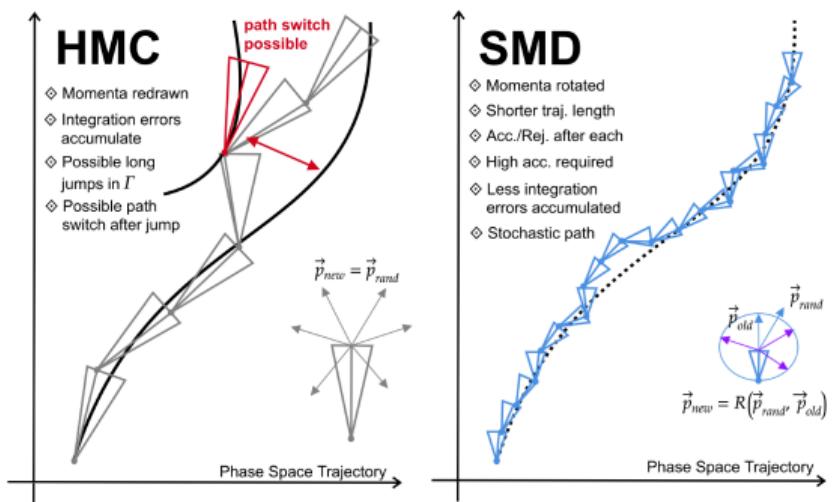
$$c_1 = e^{-\epsilon\gamma}, \quad c_1^2 + c_2^2 = 1, \quad v(x, \mu), \eta(x) \in \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

$$\phi \rightarrow c_1\phi + c_2D^\dagger\eta,$$

($\gamma > 0$: friction parameter; ϵ : MD integration time)

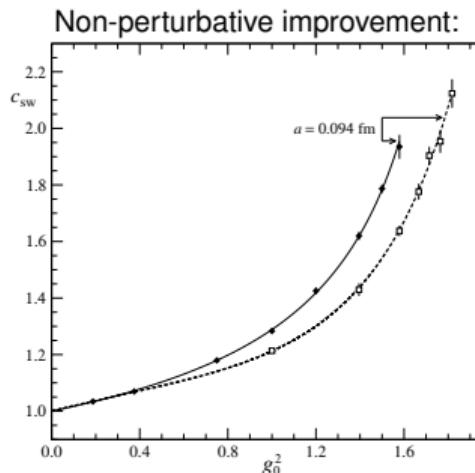
+ MD evolution + accept-reject step + repeat. If rejected: $\{\tilde{U}, \tilde{\pi}, \tilde{\phi}\} \rightarrow \{U, -\pi, \phi\}$

- ergodic^[9] for sufficiently small ϵ
(typically $\epsilon < 0.35$ vs. $\tau = 1 - 2$)
- exact algorithm
- significant reduction of unbounded energy violations
 $|\Delta H| \gg 1$
- a bit “slower” than HMC but compensated by shorter autocorrelation times
- smooth changes in ϕ_t, U_t improve update of deflation subspace

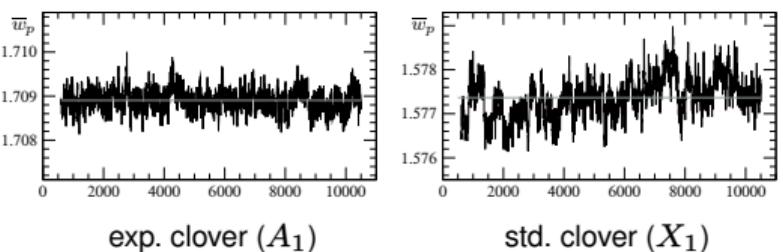


Comparison to traditional Wilson–Clover action

e.g. $N_f = 2 + 1$ data of Coordinated Lattice Simulations (CLS) effort^[10–12]



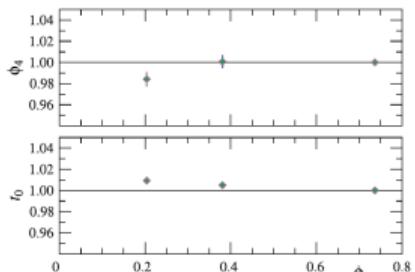
plaquette (energy density) with SMD: $a = 0.095 \text{ fm}$



Chiral trajectory:

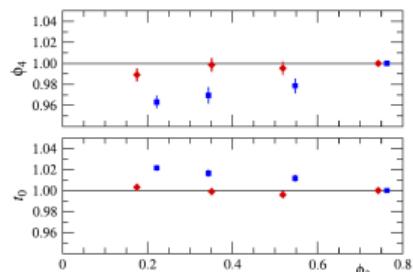
$$t_0 \text{ and } \phi_4 \equiv 8t_0\left(\frac{1}{2}m_\pi^2 + m_K^2\right) = 1.11 \sim \text{Tr}[M_q]$$

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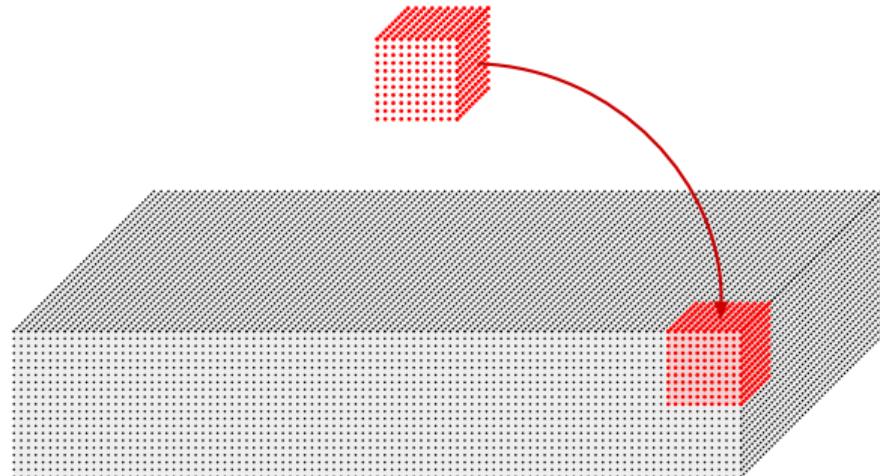
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Standard Wilson



key observation

- smoother fluctuations
- smaller lattice spacing effects



- *negligible finite-volume effects*
- *evade topological-freezing problem*
- *access to new kinematic regimes*
- *ideal for position-space methods*
- *new tool to perform different/new calculations*

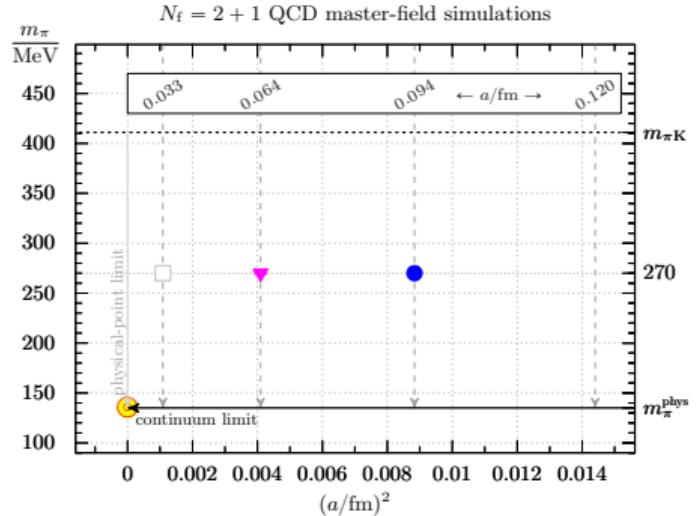


QCD master fields

$$N_f = 2 + 1 + \text{all stabilising measures}^{[3]}$$

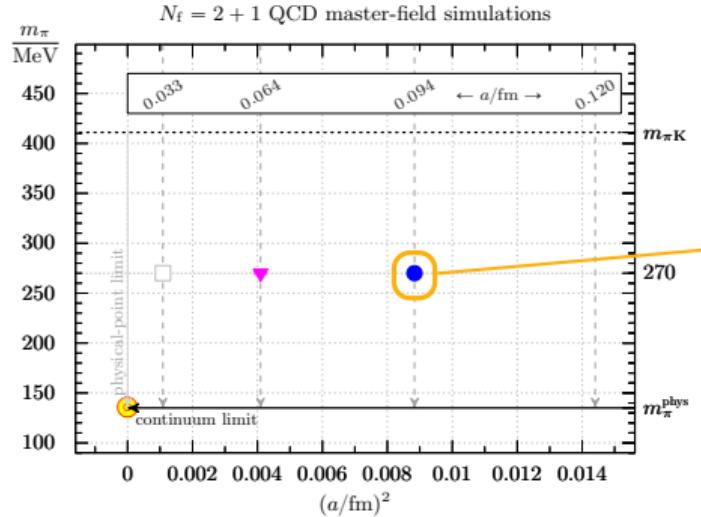
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- $m_\pi = 270 \text{ MeV} = 2m_\pi^{\text{phys}}$
- openQCD-2.0, openQCD-2.4^[13]
- Master-field error estimation discussed in JHEP11(2023)167^[14]
- In preparation:
paper on master-field simulations & spectrum

Summary of $N_f = 2 + 1$ master-field simulations



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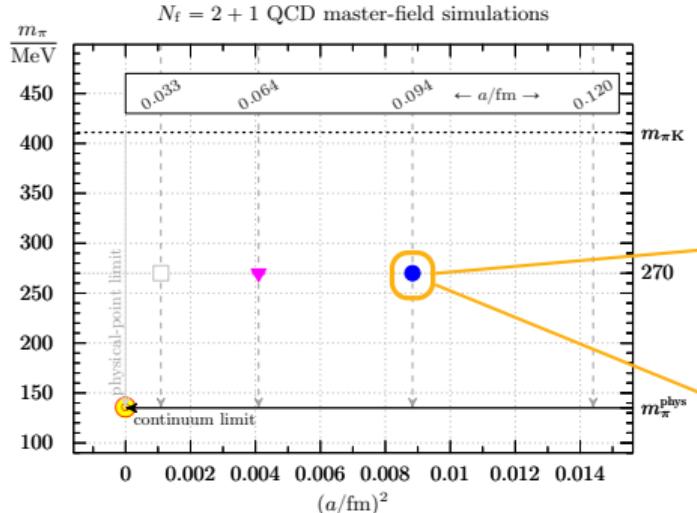


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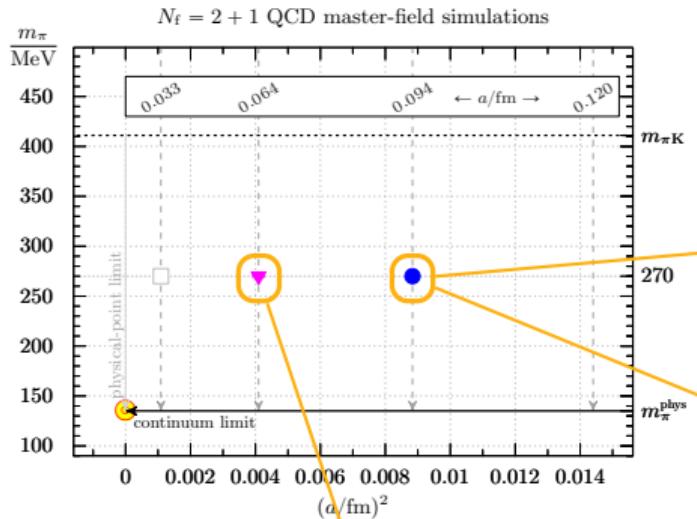
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$V = 192^4$ ($L = 18 \text{ fm}$, $m_\pi L \approx 24.7$)

- $V/V_4 = 6^4 = 1296$ ($N_{\text{core}} = 36864$)
- $\text{Cost: } 45 \text{ Mch (thermal.)} + 9 \text{ Mch (add. cfg.)}$
- $\text{Total memory used: } 35.9 \text{ TiB} (= 1019.8 \text{ MiB per core})$
- $\text{On disc: } 2 \text{ TiB} (= 729 \text{ GiB } U + 972 \text{ GiB } \phi + 324 \text{ GiB } \pi)$

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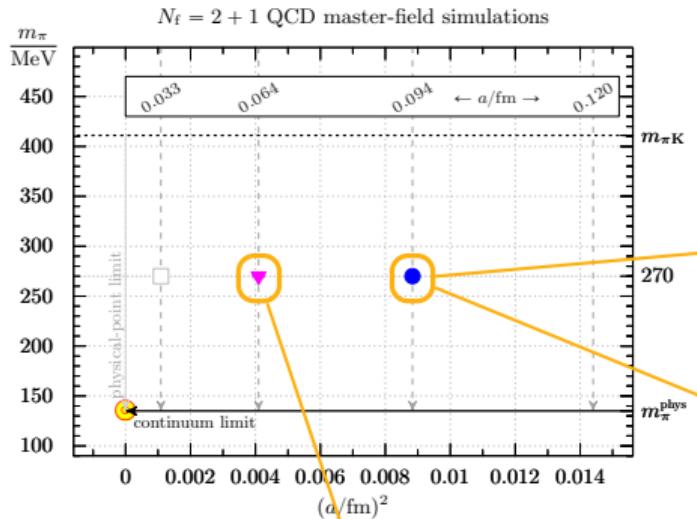
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tuning at finer lattice spacing

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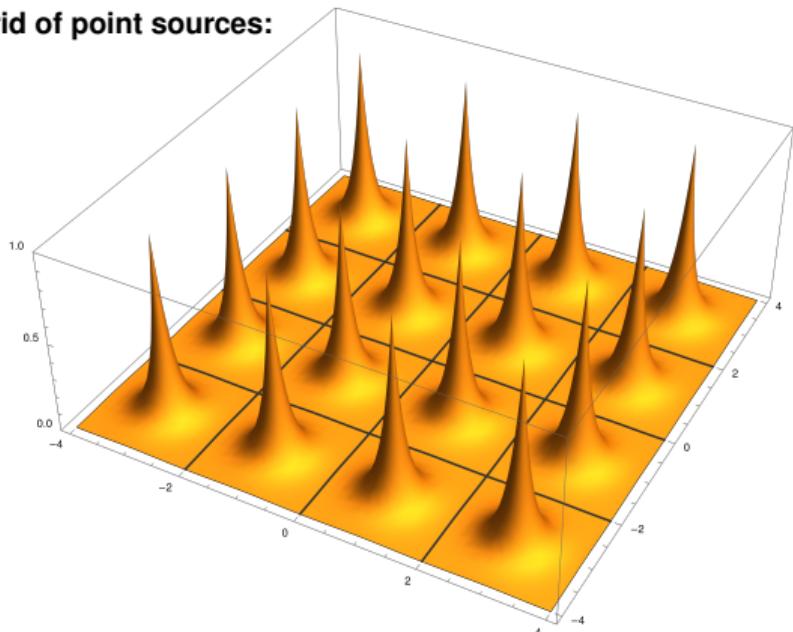
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Grid of point sources:



2D sketch of exponential decay of „2-pt function“ with $(8a/2a)^2 = 4^2 = 16$ grid source points

Take away message

employ techniques compatible with MF translation average for single inversion of Dirac op.

Hadronic observables

in position space

Hadron propagators

E.g. meson 2-pt function (like pion propagator):

$$C_{\Gamma\Gamma'}(x) = -\text{Tr}\{\Gamma\gamma_5 D^{-1}(x, 0)\gamma_5\Gamma'D^{-1}(x, 0)\}, \quad ||D^{-1}(x, 0)|| \sim e^{-m|x|/2}$$

with localisation range $1/m$ (not ultra-local)

- Asymptotic form of position-space correlators analytically known when $a = 0$ ($T, L = \infty$).
For $|x| \rightarrow \infty$:

$$C_{PP}(x) \rightarrow \frac{|c_P|^2}{4\pi^2} \frac{m_P^2}{|x|} K_1(m_P|x|),$$

$$C_{NN}(x) \rightarrow \frac{|c_N|^2}{4\pi^2} \frac{m_N^2}{|x|} \left[K_1(m_N|x|) + \frac{x}{|x|} K_2(m_N|x|) \right]$$

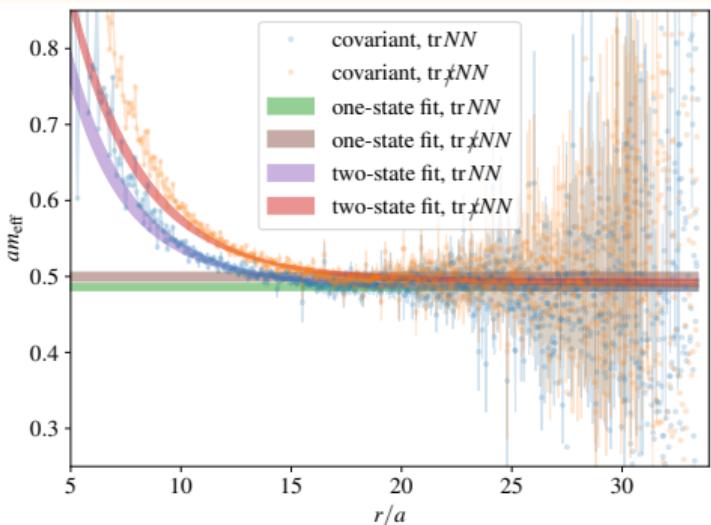
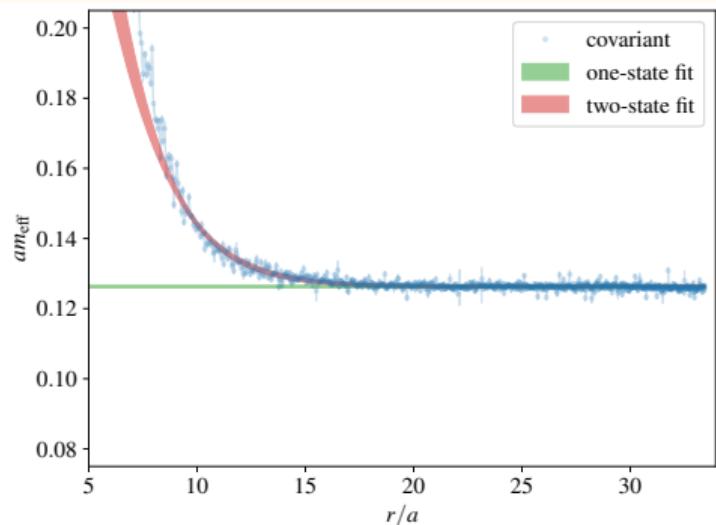
- axis/off-axis directions different cutoff effects
- correlator averaged over equivalent distances $r = |x|$:

$$\bar{C}(r) = \frac{1}{r_4((r/a)^2)} \sum_{|x|=r} C(x)$$

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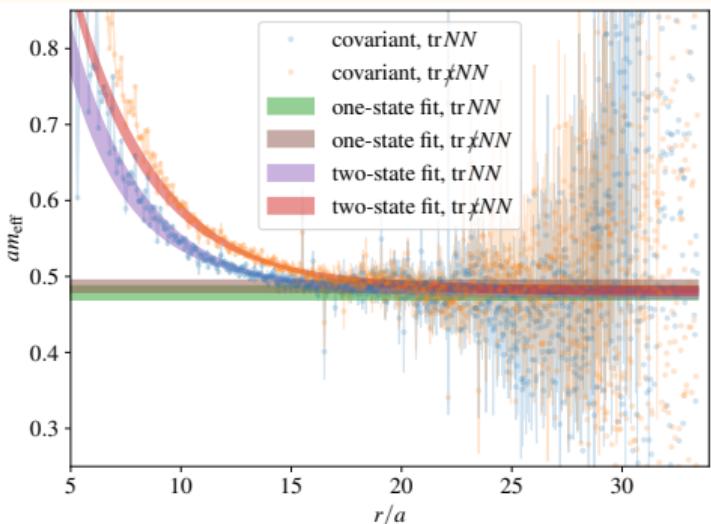
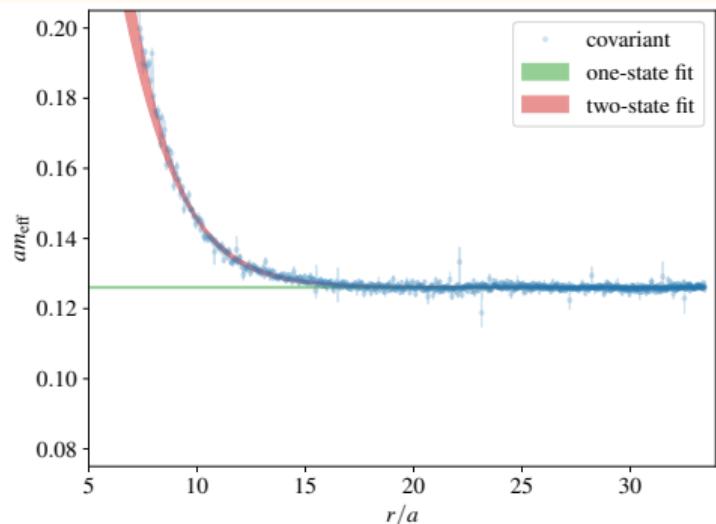
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- perform standard-sized lattice simulations
- exploit all stabilising measures^[15]
(Exp-Clover action, SMD, ...)
- various lattices $\{a/L, \beta, m_\pi\}$ to complement master-field simulations
- <https://openlat1.gitlab.io>



This is an effort within the Lattice QCD community (started in 2019) for the production and sharing of dynamical gauge field ensembles to study physical phenomena of the strong interaction. We are aware that not every young researcher can be in the favourable position to belong to one of the big collaborations with access to large scale simulations to pursue new ideas. We want to close this gap by forming the present initiative centered around latest developments in the field. We offer





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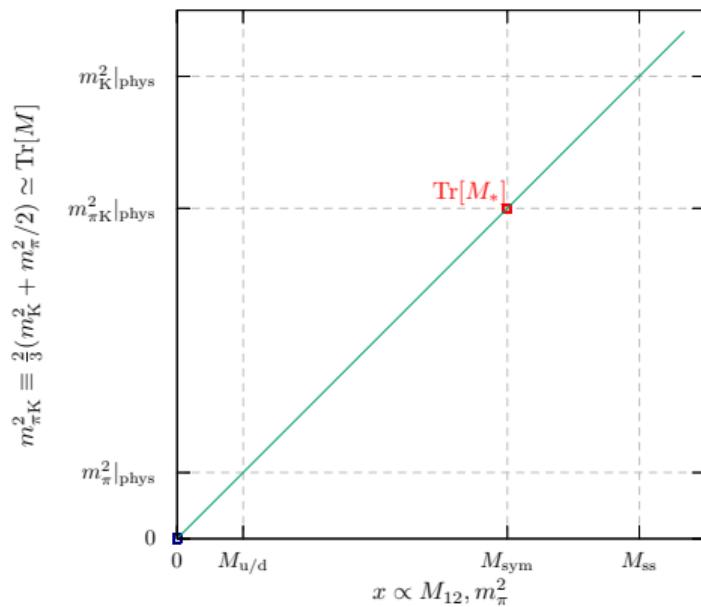
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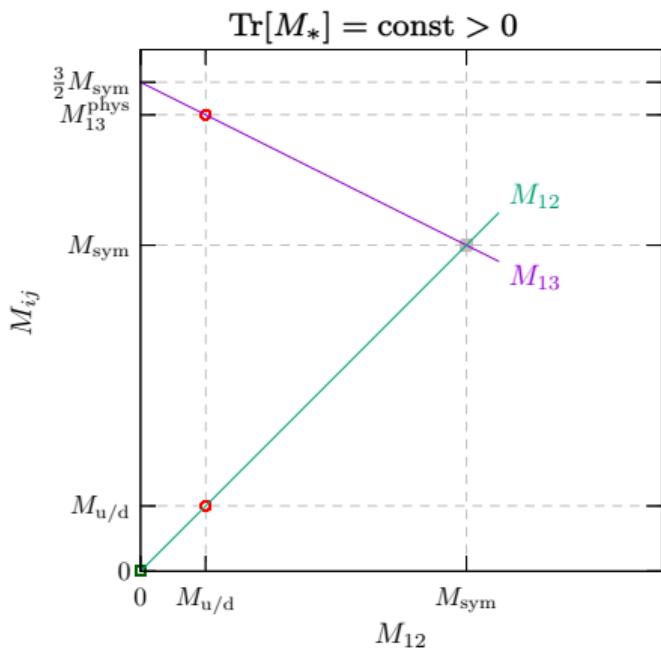
Physical run parameters from hadronic scheme

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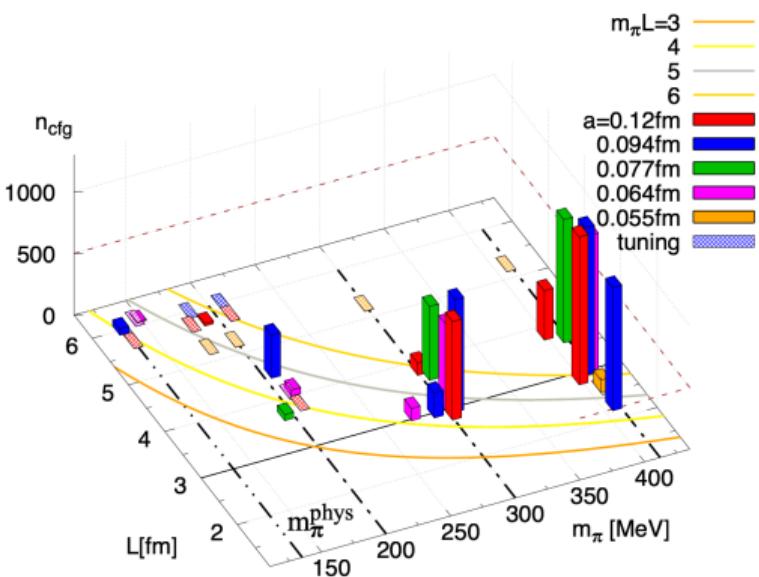
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Target:

- 1000 independent gauge configs
- 5-6 lattice spacings at $SU(3)$ -flavour-symmetric point
- 4 lines of approx. const. pion mass:
 $m_\pi/\text{MeV} \simeq 410, 300, 200, 135$
- approaching physical points at coarse lattice spacings
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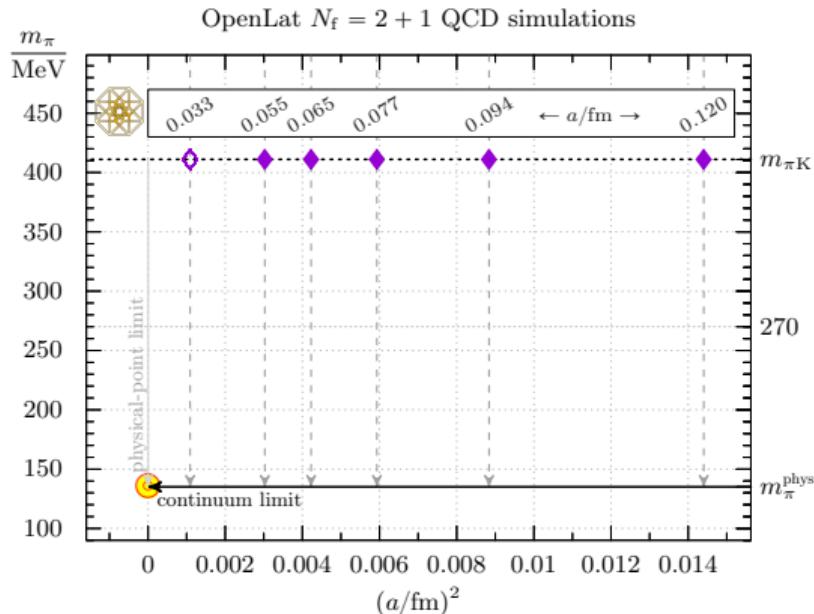


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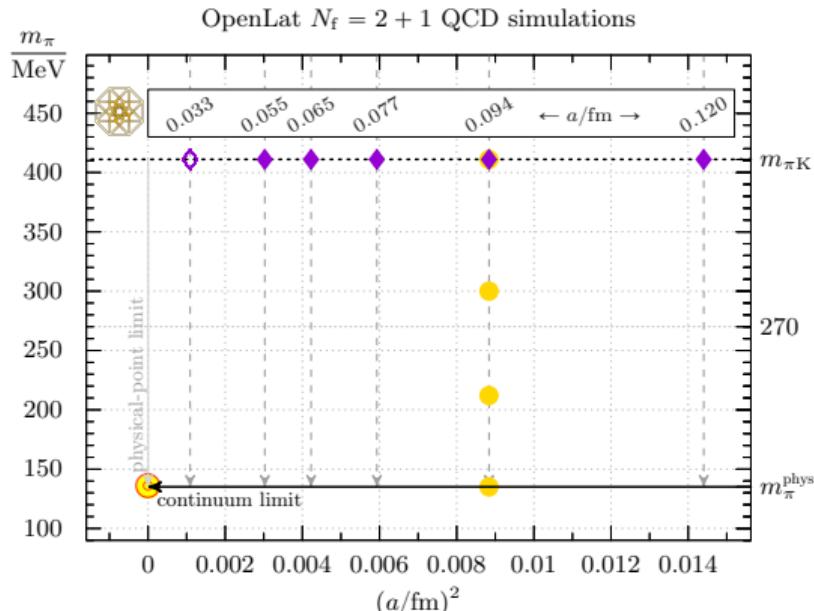
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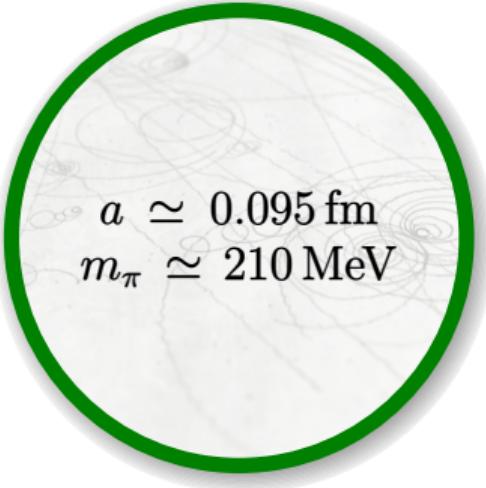
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Typical simulation setup: keep it simple, but not too simple

- 2-level OMF4 integrators (gauge, fermions)
- $N_{\text{pf}} \simeq 5 + 4$ pseudofermion fields
 - + 5: mass-preconditioning ($\mu_0 = 0.00005 - 0.00012$)
 - + 4: RHMC 11-15 poles
- mostly 2nd form of mass-reweighting ($\mu_1 = \sqrt{2}\mu_0$)
- $\mu_0(\mu_1) < \lambda_{\min}(|\gamma_5 D|)$
- RHMC: somewhat more conservative than ms2 suggestion
- $\|\eta\|_\infty$ for all forces ($\text{res}_F = 10^{-12} \dots 10^{-10}$)
and some actions ($\text{res}_\phi = 10^{-12}$)
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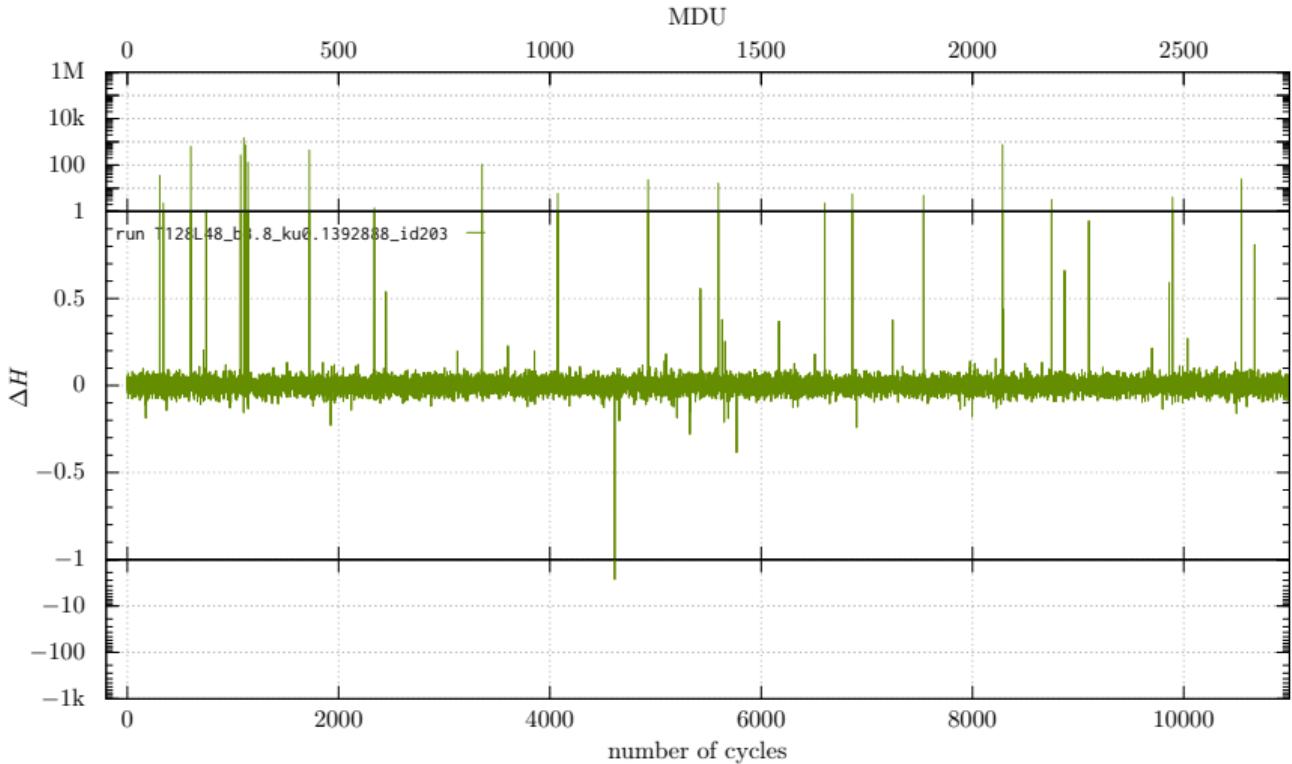
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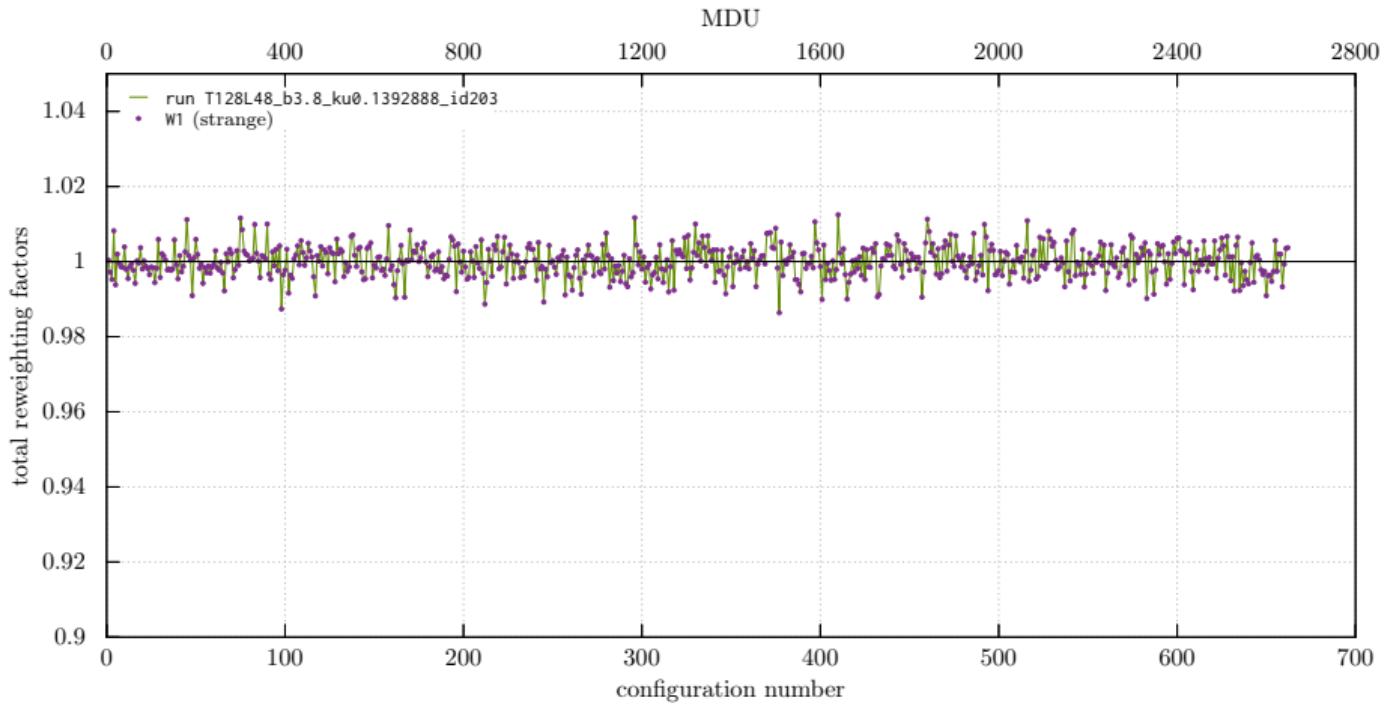


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reweighting factors: RHMC ([0.016, 8.6] w/ 11 poles)

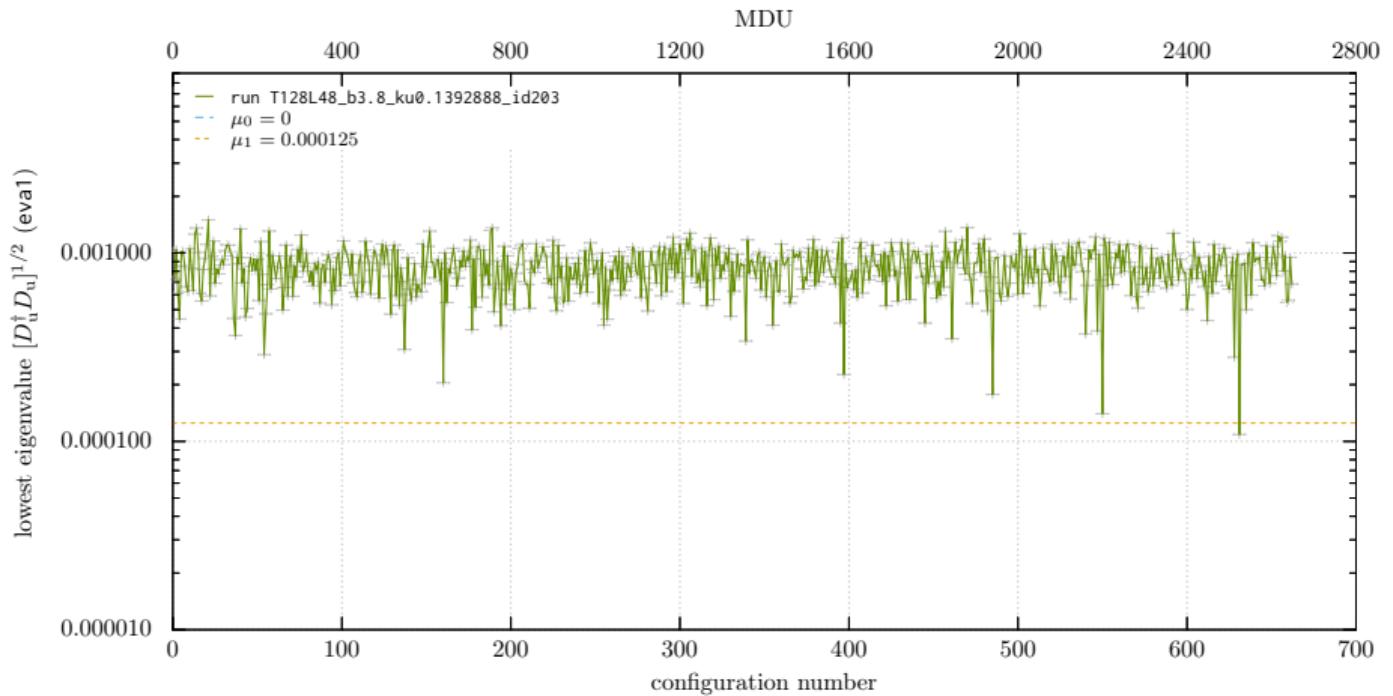


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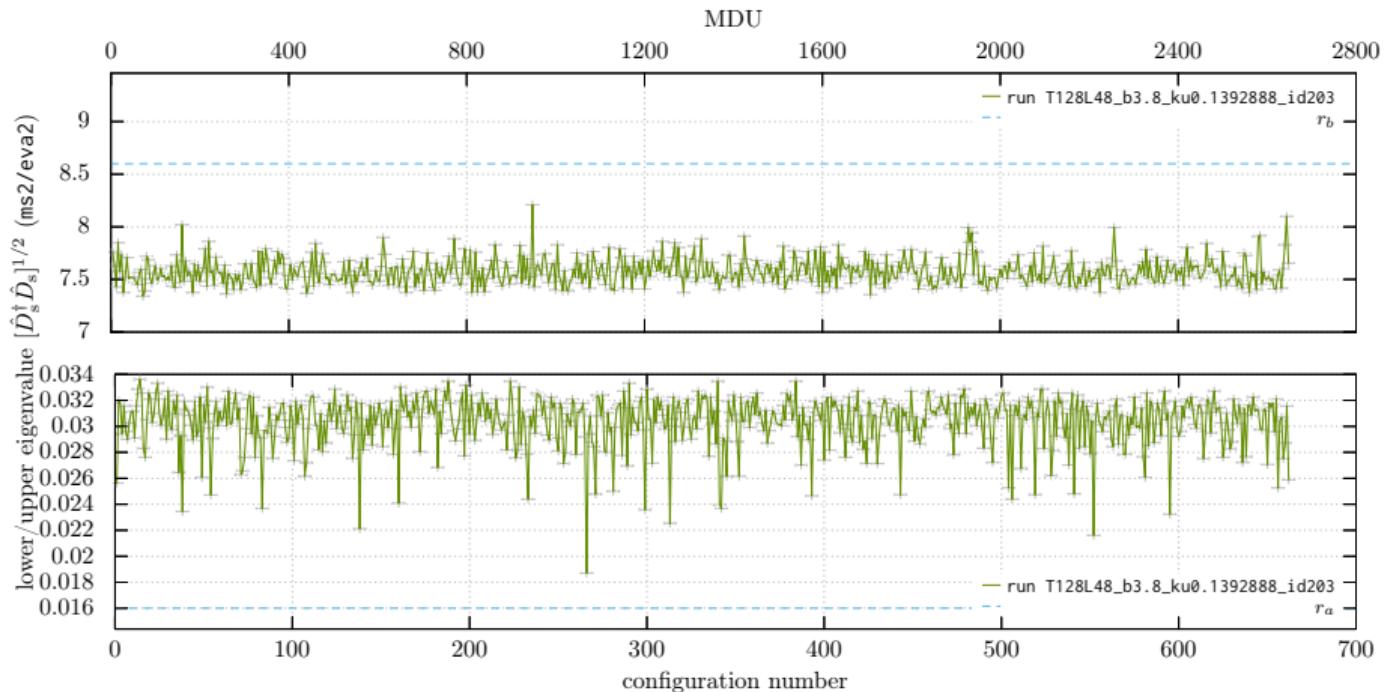


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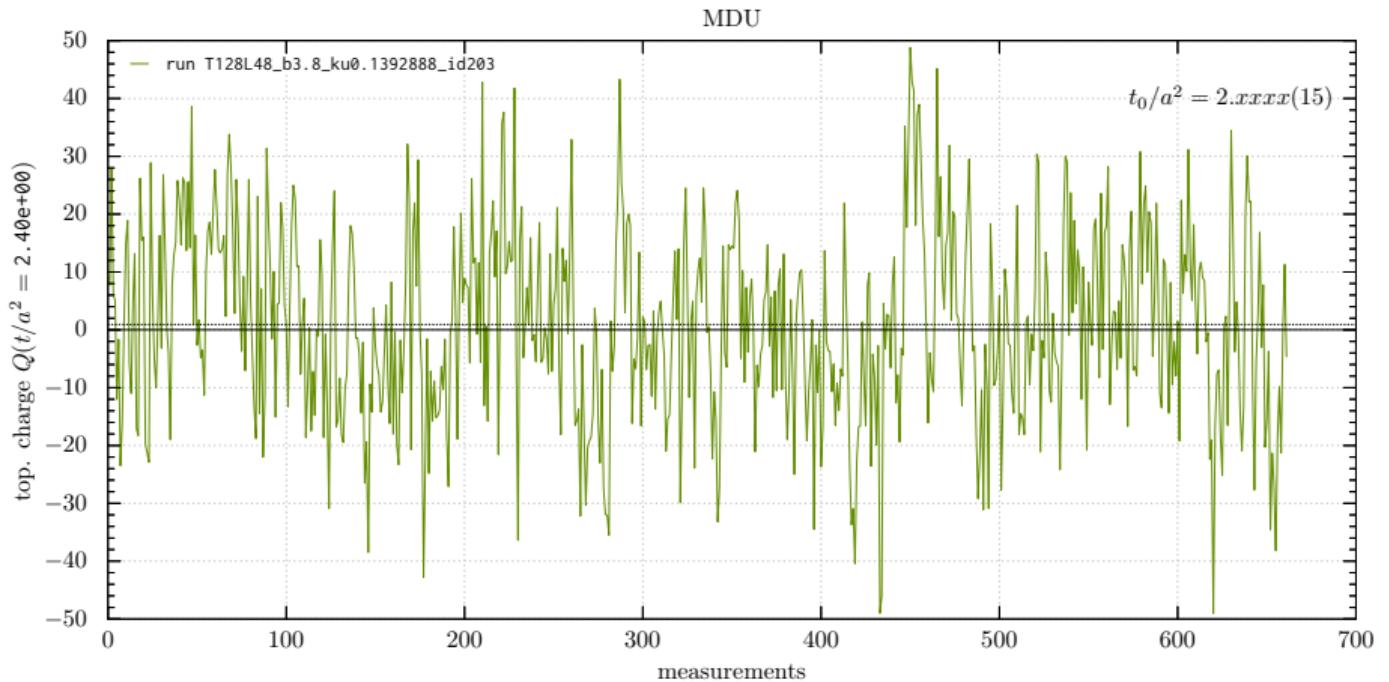


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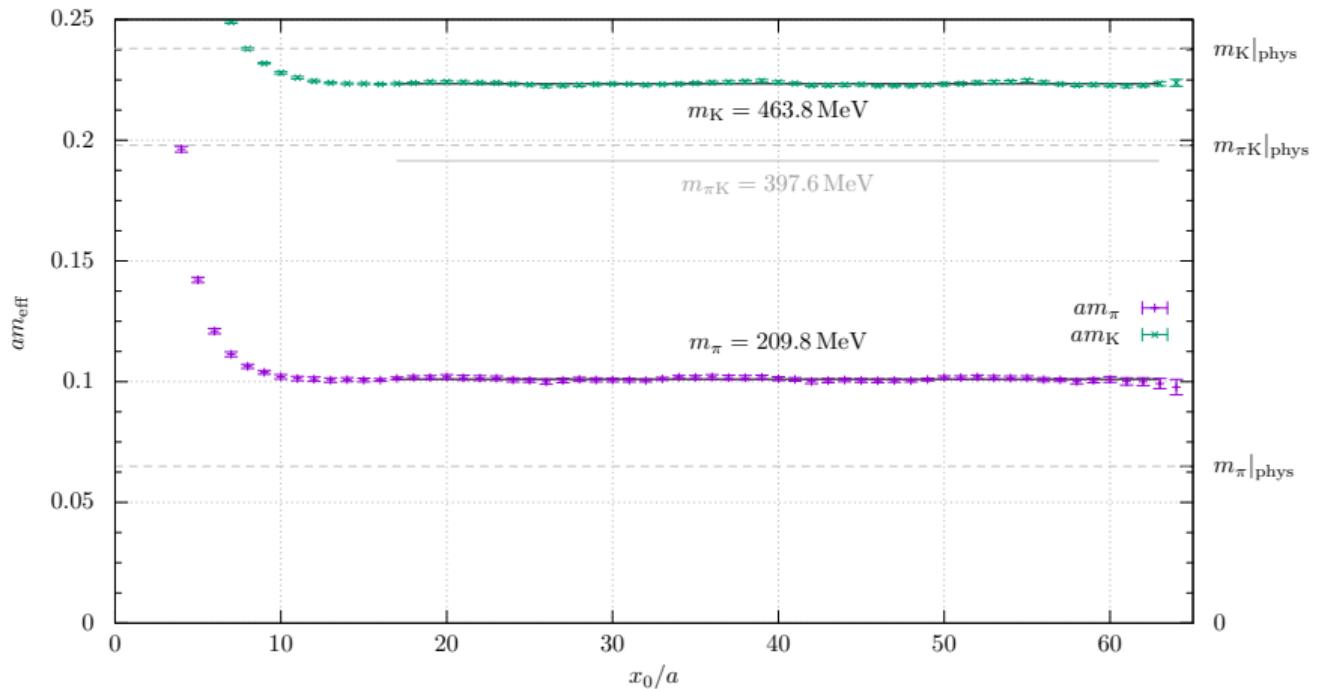


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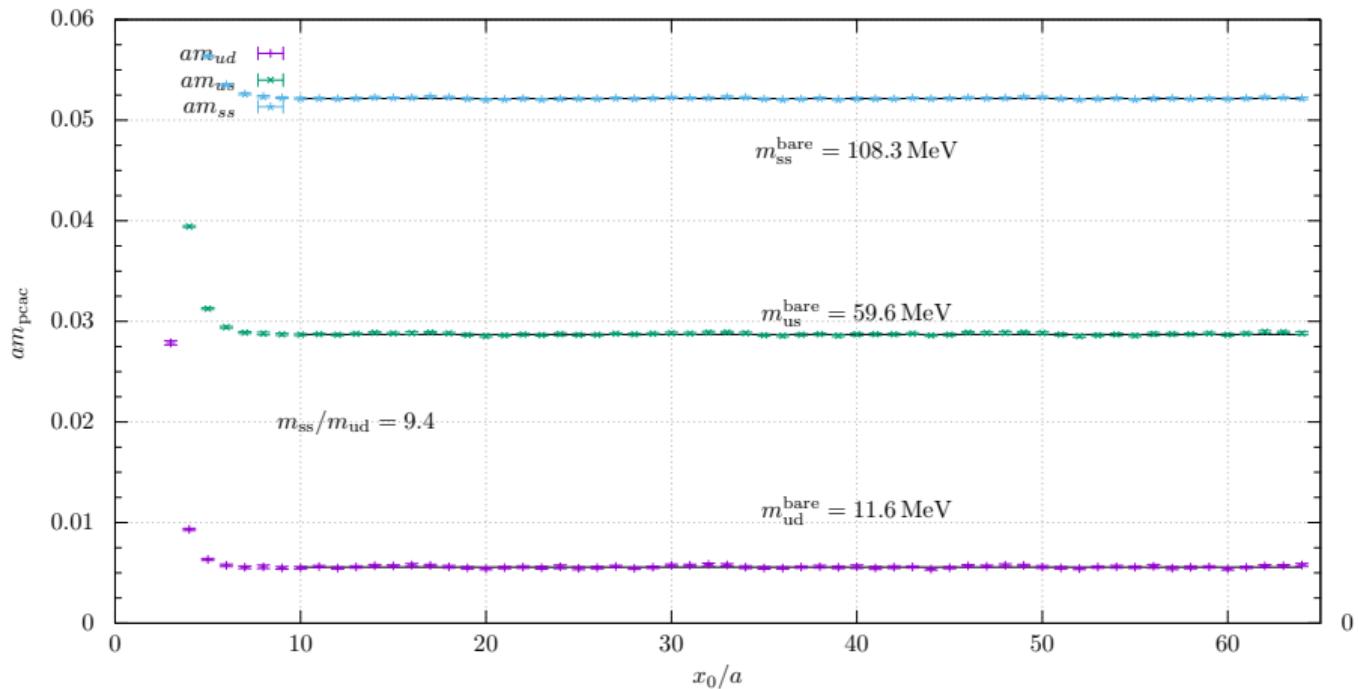
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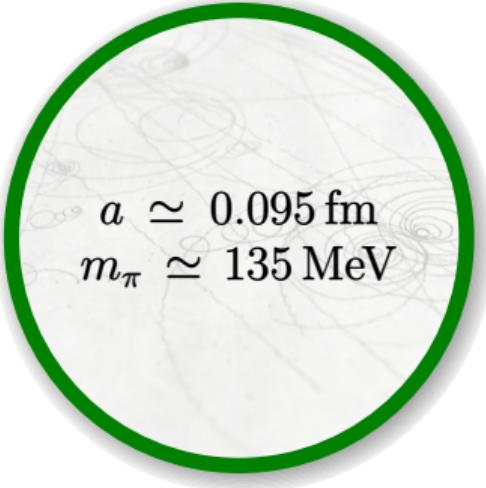
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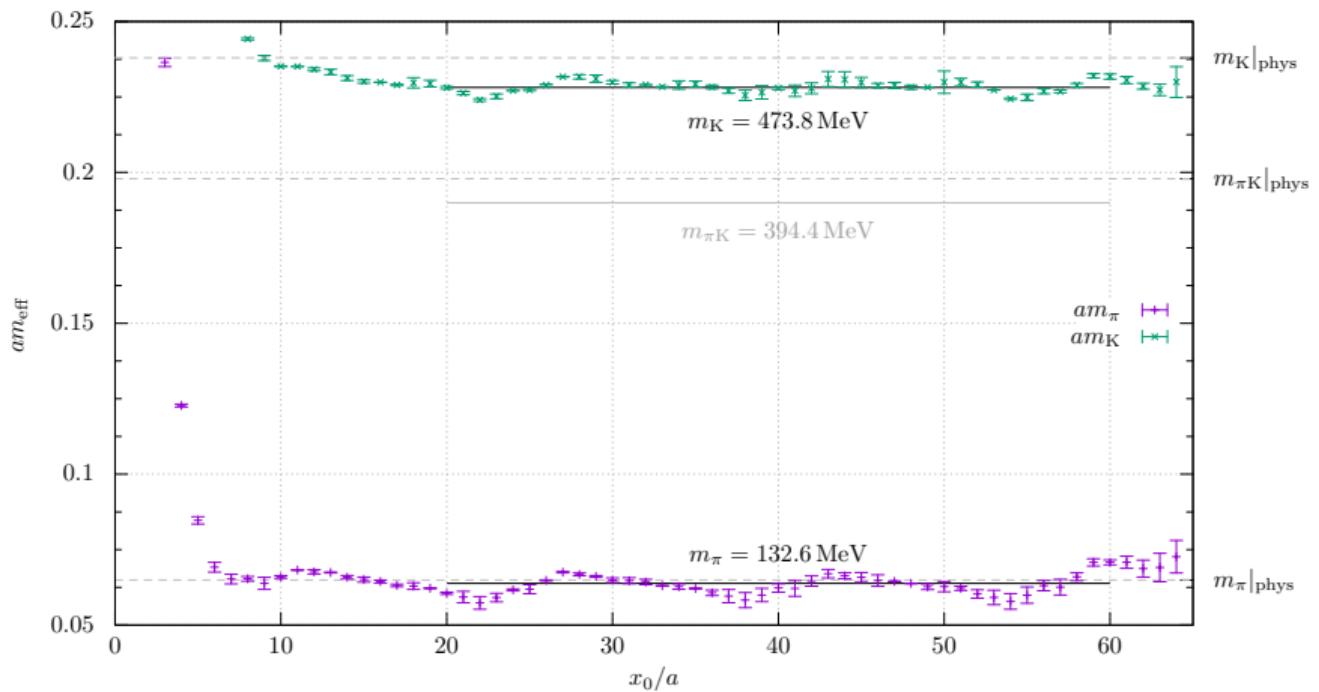
Latest, most stable tuned simulation.
Very short run so far.

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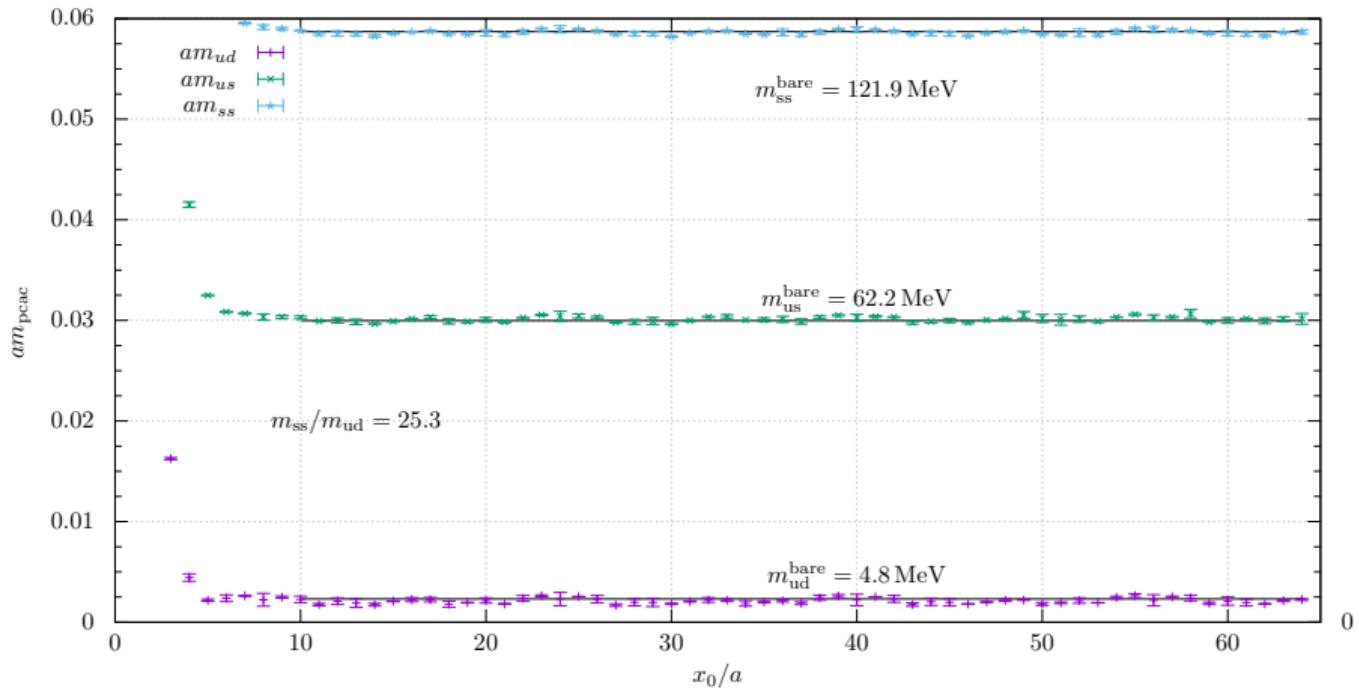
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Renormalisation and improvement in the SF

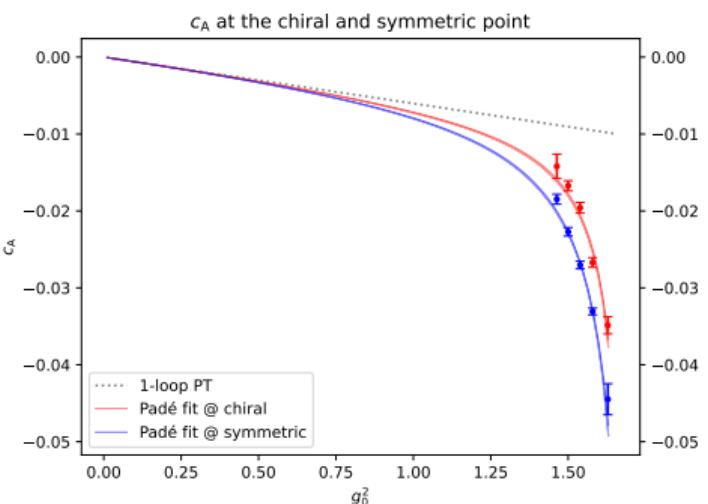
In collaboration with J.Heitger and J.Kuhlmann

Goal:

- Massless vs massive scheme
2 LCP's: $\text{Tr}[M] = 0$ and $\text{Tr}[M] > 0$
- enter hadronic regime with SF simulations
(i.e. close volume gap between SF and LV runs)
- t_0 vs. $\bar{g}_{\text{GF}}^2(L)$ scale setting
- reduce ambiguities of Z_X, c_X, b_X
- confirm ren. & improvement pattern of Wilson fermions

$M_q \simeq 0$ at $L \approx 3 \text{ fm}$

L/a	β	a/fm	L/fm	$\delta L[3 \text{ fm}]$
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Summary

Master-fields require stabilising measures

- Modified fermion action (a.k.a. exponential clover)
- Stochastic Molecular dynamics (SMD) algorithm
- Uniform norm & quadruple precision
- Multilevel deflation

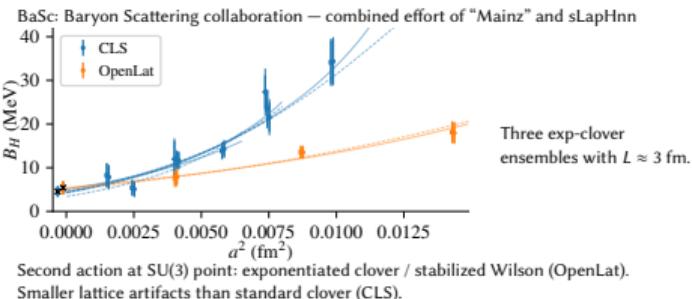
So far:

- stabilising measures (action, SMD, ...) work excellent, especially at coarse lattice spacing ✓
- 96^4 , 192^4 ($a = 0.095$ fm) and 144^4 ($a = 0.065$ fm) master-field ready for physics applications ✓
- master-field prefers target partition function ✓
- very large volumes like $(18 \text{ fm})^4$ still challenging but doable (or m_π^{phys}) ✓
- position-space correlators \sim hadron masses, decay constants, ...

Ongoing:

- continuum limit scaling behaviour (3rd lattice spacing)
- master-fields: natural setup to study spectral reconstruction
- complementary large-scale lattice simulations (OpenLat)
- exploration of physical calculations & benchmarking

H dibaryon: $a \rightarrow 0$ universality (PRELIMINARY)



We just start to uncover new possibilities.



Backup slides

Exponential clover implementation

Apply **Cayley–Hamilton theorem** for 6×6 hermitean matrices.

$$\frac{i}{4}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\hat{F}_{\mu\nu}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} A_+(x) & 0 \\ 0 & A_-(x) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\text{tr}\{A\} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad A^6 = \sum_{k=0}^4 p_k A^k$$

Any polynomial in A of degree $N \geq 6$ can be reduced to

$$\sum_{k=0}^5 q_k A^k,$$

with A -dependent coefficients q_k , calculated recursively.

Expansion coefficients ($p_k \in \mathbb{R}$)

$$\begin{aligned} p_0 &= \frac{1}{6}\text{tr}\{A^6\} - \frac{1}{8}\text{tr}\{A^4\}\text{tr}\{A^2\} - \frac{1}{18}\text{tr}\{A^3\}^2 + \frac{1}{48}\text{tr}\{A^2\}^3 \\ p_1 &= \frac{1}{5}\text{tr}\{A^5\} - \frac{1}{6}\text{tr}\{A^3\}\text{tr}\{A^2\}, \\ p_2 &= \frac{1}{4}\text{tr}\{A^4\} - \frac{1}{8}\text{tr}\{A^2\}^2, \\ p_3 &= \frac{1}{3}\text{tr}\{A^3\}, \\ p_4 &= \frac{1}{2}\text{tr}\{A^2\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\exp(A) = \sum_{k=0}^N \frac{A^k}{k!} + r_N(A) \quad \text{converges rapidly with bound} \quad \|r_N(A)\| \leq \frac{\|A\|^{N+1}}{(N+1)!} \exp(\|A\|)$$

$\Rightarrow \exp\left(\frac{i}{4}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\hat{F}_{\mu\nu}(x)\right)$ easily obtained to machine precision.

Master fields prefer the target partition function

Reweighting of observables not available

QCD simulations necessitate frequency-splitting methods

- Hasenbusch (mass-)preconditioning for quark doublet ($\mu_n > \dots > \mu_0$)

$$S_{\text{pf}} = (\phi_0, \frac{1}{D^\dagger D + \mu_n^2} \phi_0) + \sum_{k=1}^n (\phi_k, \frac{D^\dagger D + \mu_{n-k+1}^2}{D^\dagger D + \mu_{n-k}^2} \phi_k)$$

requires mass-reweighting if regulator mass $\mu_0 \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow \checkmark$ if $\mu_0 = 0$

- rational approximation of strange (or charm) quark determinant is given by

$$\det(D_s) = W_s \det(R^{-1}), \quad R = C \prod_{k=0}^{m-1} \frac{D_s^\dagger D_s + \omega_k^2}{D_s^\dagger D_s + \nu_k^2} \quad : \text{Zolotarev optimal rat. approx.}$$

with reweighting factor $W_s = \det(D_s R)$ to

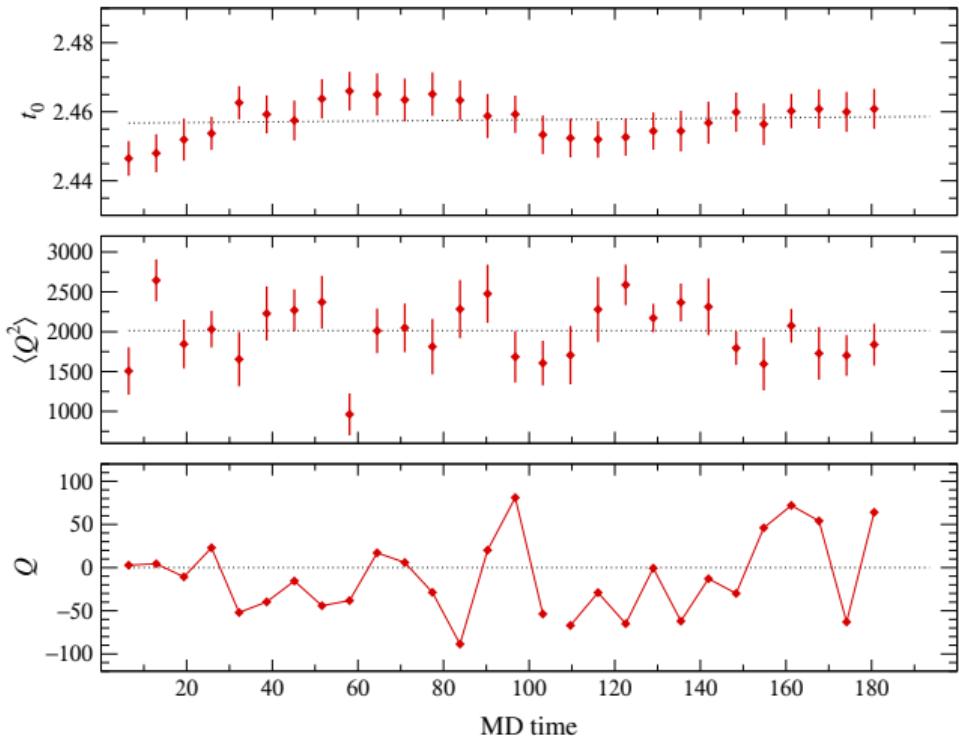
correct approximation error ($m = \text{degree of } [D_s^\dagger D_s]^{-1/2}$)

$\Rightarrow \checkmark$ if approximation is sufficiently accurate

Complying with strict bound $\frac{\sigma(W_s)}{\langle W_s \rangle} \leq 0.1$ guarantees unbiased results in all observables.

Monitoring observables (thermalisation)

$96^4 : a = 0.095 \text{ fm}, m_\pi = 270 \text{ MeV}, Lm_\pi = 12.5 (L = 9 \text{ fm})$



Simulations without TM-reweighting:

- no spikes in ΔH
- $\langle e^{-\Delta H} \rangle = 1$ within errors
- acceptance rate 98% or higher
- checked that $\sigma(\hat{D}_s) \in [r_a, r_b]$ of Zolotarev rational approximation
- adapt solver tolerances to exclude statistically relevant effects of numerical inaccuracies
- autocorrelation times: 20-30 MDU

Master-field simulations

Thermalising 192^4 ($a = 0.094 \text{ fm}$, $m_\pi = 270 \text{ MeV}$) at LRZ using 768 nodes (36864 cores)

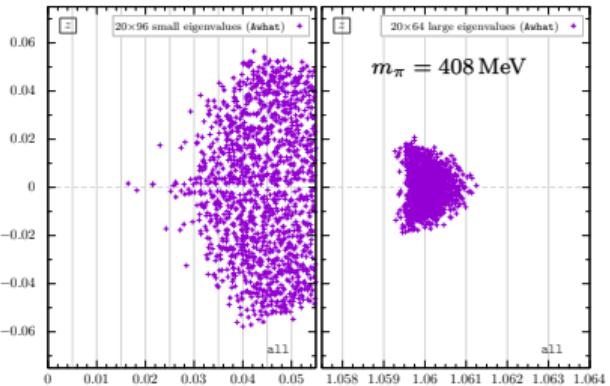
openQCD-2.0.2: multilevel DFL solver (full double prec.)

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SMD parameters:  
actions = 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
npf = 8  
mu = 0.0 0.0012 0.012 0.12 1.2  
nlv = 2  
gamma = 0.3  
eps = 0.137  
iacc = 1  
  
...  
  
Rational 0:  
degree = 12  
range = [0.012,8.1]  
  
Level 0:  
4th order OMF integrator  
Number of steps = 1  
Forces = 0  
  
Level 1:  
4th order OMF integrator  
Number of steps = 2  
Forces = 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8  
  
Update cycle no 48  
dH = -1.4e-02, iac = 1  
Average plaquette = 1.708999  
Action 1: <status> = 0  
Action 2: <status> = 0 [0,0|0,0]  
Action 3: <status> = 0 [0,0|0,0]  
Action 4: <status> = 0 [0,0|0,0]  
Action 5: <status> = 2 [5,2|7,6]  
Action 6: <status> = 271  
Action 7: <status> = 21 [3,2|5,3]  
Action 8: <status> = 22 [3,2|5,3]  
Field 1: <status> = 139  
Field 2: <status> = 31 [3,2|6,4]  
Field 3: <status> = 38 [5,3|8,7]  
Field 4: <status> = 33 [5,2|7,6]  
Field 5: <status> = 267  
Field 6: <status> = 26 [3,2|5,3]  
Field 7: <status> = 24 [3,2|5,3]  
Force 1: <status> = 91  
Force 2: <status> = 22 [3,2|6,4];23 [3,2|5,4]  
Force 3: <status> = 28 [5,3|7,6];30 [5,3|7,6]  
Force 4: <status> = 29 [5,2|7,6];32 [5,2|7,6]  
Force 5: <status> = 28 [5,2|7,5];30 [5,2|7,6]  
Force 6: <status> = 303  
Force 7: <status> = 22 [3,2|5,3];23 [3,2|5,3]  
Force 8: <status> = 23 [3,2|5,3];26 [3,2|5,3]  
Modes 0: <status> = 0,0|0,0  
Modes 1: <status> = 4,2|5,5 (no of updates = 4)  
Acceptance rate = 1.000000  
Time per update cycle = 4.34e+03 sec (average = 4.38e+03 sec)
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Master-field simulations

Study deflation subspace ($a = 0.095 \text{ fm}$)

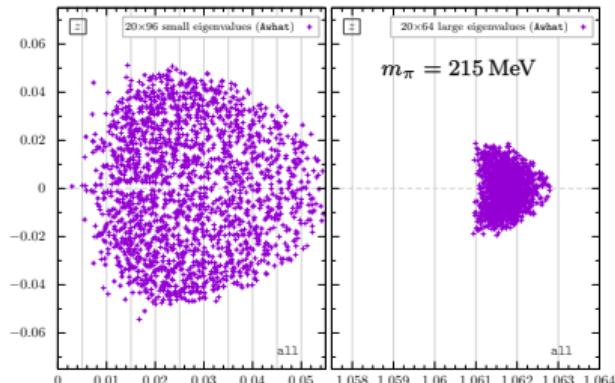
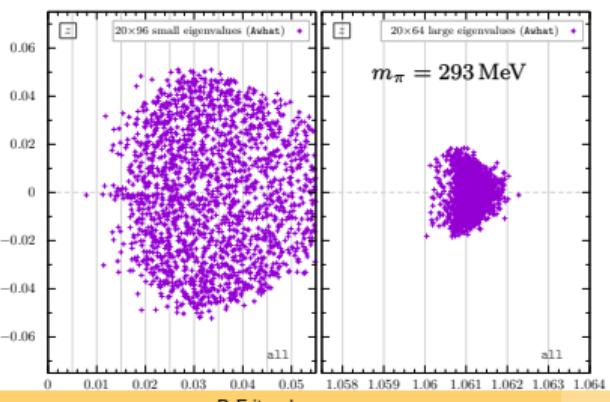
Small/Large eigenvalue spectrum of eo-preconditioned DFL operator \hat{A} on A-lattices (96×32^3):



Deflation subspace \Leftrightarrow „low-modes“ $\{\psi_1, \dots, \psi_{N_s}\}$

$$A_w = P_0 D P_0 \quad : \text{restricted Dirac op.}$$

P_0 : orthogonal projector to DFL subspace





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