



# Exploring the Origin of Mass with High-Performance Computing

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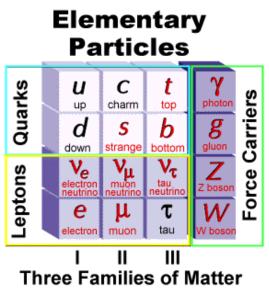
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#### Mystery: The Origin of Mass

- Electroweak symmetry breaking
- New strong dynamics
- S parameter

#### 2 Methods: High-Performance Computing

#### 3 Results: S Parameter on the Lattice



Interactions described by "gauge symmetries" (invariance under transformations)

#### A Mystery

Why do almost all of these particles possess mass?

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# What's mysterious about mass?

#### Electroweak symmetry

Unifies quantum electrodynamics and the weak interaction.

#### Electromagnetism

- Infinite range
- Massless photon

Conserves parity

#### Weak interaction

- Extremely short range
  - $(\lesssim 10^{-17} \text{ m})$
- Very massive W<sup>±</sup> and Z (~ 90M<sub>proton</sub> ~ 175,000m<sub>e</sub>)
- Violates parity

#### Electroweak unification well-verified experimentally, but appears to **forbid** elementary particle masses!

# Electroweak symmetry breaking

#### "Spontaneous" symmetry breaking

reconciles electroweak theory with phenomenology



"Symmetry of laws

⇒ symmetry of outcomes"

Example: superconductivity

Lagrangian must be gauge invariant but ground state **hides** symmetry

Must provide longitudinal modes of massive  $W^{\pm}$  and Z $\longrightarrow$  new degrees of freedom

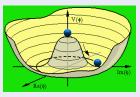
# The standard model

#### Simplest solution: generalized Ginzburg-Landau model

New scalar field

$$\Phi = \left(\begin{array}{c} \phi_1 + i\phi_2 \\ \nu/\sqrt{2} + h + i\phi_3 \end{array}\right)$$

• "Winebottle potential"  $V(\Phi) = -\mu^2 \Phi^{\dagger} \Phi + \lambda (\Phi^{\dagger} \Phi)^2$ produces spontaneous symmetry breaking at the electroweak scale  $v = \sqrt{-\mu^2/\lambda} = 246 \text{ GeV}$ 

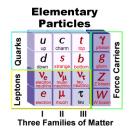


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- $\phi_i$  "eaten" by  $W^{\pm}$  and Z becoming massive
- h remains as massive Higgs boson

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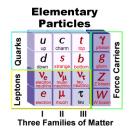
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# Dynamical electroweak symmetry breaking

Instead of BCS, think of QCD (quantum chromodynamics)

#### New Strong Dynamics ("Technicolor")

- New "technifermions" Ψ couple through a new strong interaction
- Lagrangian decomposes into two parts

$$\mathcal{L}_{TC} = \overline{\Psi} \gamma_{\mu} \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \Psi = \overline{\Psi}_{L} \gamma_{\mu} \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \Psi_{L} + \overline{\Psi}_{R} \gamma_{\mu} \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \Psi_{R}$$

**Chiral symmetry:**  $\Psi_L$  and  $\Psi_R$  can transform *independently* 

 Strong interactions spontaneously break chiral symmetry, which leads to electroweak symmetry breaking

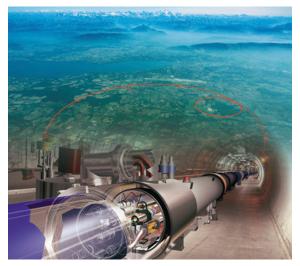
$$\left\langle \overline{\Psi}\Psi\right\rangle = \left\langle \overline{\Psi}_L\Psi_R + \overline{\Psi}_R\Psi_L\right\rangle \neq 0 \qquad \qquad \left\langle \overline{\Psi}\Psi\right\rangle \sim v^2$$

Instead of Higgs, expect a zoo of "technihadrons" at high energy

**Strong** dynamics  $\longrightarrow$  perturbation theory inapplicable

How can we determine which mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking is realized in nature?

# Obvious approach: direct detection



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- Experimentally observe and identify Higgs, technihadrons, ...
- "Obvious" does not mean "easy"!

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A less obvious approach is to use precision measurements of electroweak observables

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## The S parameter

Parameterize effects of physics beyond the standard model on the neutral gauge bosons

$$\gamma \cdots \qquad \gamma = i e^{2} \Pi_{QQ} g^{\mu\nu} + \cdots$$
$$\Pi_{VV} = 2\Pi_{3Q}$$
$$Z \cdots \qquad \gamma = i \frac{e^{2}}{cs} (\Pi_{3Q} - s^{2} \Pi_{QQ}) g^{\mu\nu} + \cdots \qquad \Pi_{AA} = 4\Pi_{33} - 2\Pi_{3Q}$$
$$Z \cdots \qquad \qquad Z = i \frac{e^{2}}{c^{2}s^{2}} (\Pi_{33} - 2s^{2}\Pi_{3Q} + s^{4}\Pi_{QQ}) g^{\mu\nu} + \cdots$$
Define the parameter  $S = 4\pi \lim_{Q^{2} \to 0} \frac{d}{dQ^{2}} \left[ \Pi_{VV}(Q^{2}) - \Pi_{AA}(Q^{2}) \right] - \Delta S_{SM}$ (Packin and Takauchi)

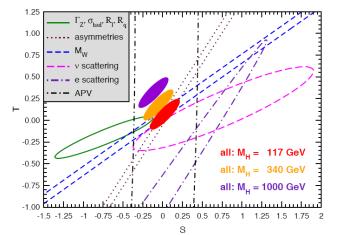
 $\Delta S_{SM}$  subtracted so that S = 0 in the standard model (assuming a "reference" Higgs boson mass)

# Experimentally, $S \lesssim 0$

Extract S from global fit to experimental data

- Z decay partial widths and asymmetries
- Neutrino scattering cross sections

*M<sub>W</sub>*, *M<sub>Z</sub>* Atomic parity violation



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# What is S for new strong dynamics?

Recall strong dynamics  $\longrightarrow$  perturbation theory inapplicable

If new strong dynamics has exactly the same form as QCD SU(3) gauge theory with  $N_f = 2$  fermions then we can extract information from low-energy QCD measurements

# S from scaling up QCD

Relate polarization functions  $\Pi$  to spectral functions R

$$R(s) = \frac{\sigma(e^+e^- \to \text{hadrons})}{\sigma(e^+e^- \to \mu^+\mu^-)}$$

$$\Pi(Q^2) = \Pi(0) + \frac{Q^2}{12\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{dsR(s)}{s+Q^2}$$

$$S = 4\pi\Pi'_{V-A}(0) - \Delta S_{SM}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{3\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{ds}{s} \left\{ R_V - R_A - \frac{1}{4} \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - \frac{M_H^2}{s} \right)^3 \Theta\left( s - M_H^2 \right) \right] \right\}$$

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Replacing the QCD scale with the electroweak scale,  $S=0.32\pm0.03$ Guess  $S\sim0.3\frac{N_f}{2}\frac{N_c}{3}$ ?

This is very far from the experimental  $S \approx -0.15 \pm 0.10$ , but does **not** hold for strongly-interacting theories in general

We need a way to perform non-perturbative calculations

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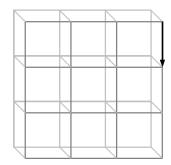
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#### **Motivation**

By working in a discrete euclidean spacetime, we can perform non-perturbative calculations of strongly-interacting theories

# Quantum fields on a lattice

A 12-step program for non-perturbative predictions





#### Part 1: Formulation

- **()** Wick rotation  $t \rightarrow -it$  from Minkowski to euclidean spacetime
- Peplace spacetime with regular lattice of sites connected by links
- Gauge invariance: fermion fields on sites, gauge fields on links
- Recover original theory (e.g., Lorentz invariance) in continuum

#### Part 2: Simulation

**(**) Observables  $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$  defined through path integral

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{D}\overline{\Psi} \mathcal{D}\Psi \mathcal{O}e^{-S_G(U) - \overline{\Psi}D(U)\Psi}$$

D(U) is the discrete Dirac operator on the lattice

Gaussian integration replaces anti-commuting Grassmann fields

$$\int \mathcal{D}\overline{\Psi}\mathcal{D}\Psi e^{-\overline{\Psi}\mathcal{D}\Psi} \propto \det \mathcal{D} \propto \int \mathcal{D}\overline{\chi}\mathcal{D}\chi e^{-\overline{\chi}\mathcal{D}^{-1}\chi}$$

(Inverting the large sparse matrix D(U) is the main computational cost)

- With an even number of fermions, we have  $\int \mathcal{D}\overline{\chi}\mathcal{D}\chi e^{-\overline{\chi}(D^{\dagger}D)^{-1}\chi}$
- **(a)** Positive definite action  $\longrightarrow$  probability distribution
- Finite number of degrees of freedom

 $\longrightarrow$  numerical importance sampling (Monte Carlo)

# Part 3: Systematics

Must keep in mind systematic effects of working on the lattice

#### Finite volume

Reduce effects by requiring  $L \gg \lambda_{max} = \frac{1}{M_P}$ Need large lattice size  $L^3 \times 2L$  or large pseudoscalar mass  $M_P$ 

(Input is fermion mass  $m_f$ ;  $M_P \propto \sqrt{m_f}$  not known *a priori*)

**1** Nonzero "lattice spacing" *a* between sites Should repeat calculation at several *a*, extrapolate  $a \rightarrow 0$ 

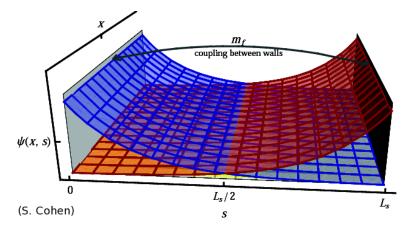
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(Computational cost \propto 1/a^6)
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Reduce effects by clever construction of lattice action

Chiral symmetry breaking<br/>Explicitly broken by  $m_f > 0$ <br/>Additional explicit breaking from many lattice actions(Computational cost  $\propto 1/m_f^{4.5}$ )

(Chiral lattice actions have much larger computational costs)

# Domain wall fermions



- Add fifth dimension of length L<sub>s</sub>
- Exact chiral symmetry at finite lattice spacing in the limit  $L_s \rightarrow \infty$
- At finite  $L_s$ , "residual mass"  $m_{res} > 0$ ;  $m = m_f + m_{res}$

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We have a way to perform non-perturbative computations Let's apply it to calculate the *S* parameter for new strong dynamics

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Formed in 2007 to pursue non-perturbative studies of strongly interacting theories likely to produce observable signatures at the Large Hadron Collider.

# LSD Philosophy and Simulation Details

- Start from what we know (QCD) and use it as a baseline  $\longrightarrow SU(3)$  gauge theory with  $N_f = 2$ , 6, 10
- Work on large lattices so finite-volume effects are small  $\rightarrow 32^3 \times 64$  with 0.005  $\leq m_f \leq$  0.030 gives  $M_PL \gtrsim 4$
- Directly compare the different theories
  - $\longrightarrow$  Tune parameters to match chiral symmetry breaking scale
  - $\longrightarrow$  Plot results versus  $M_P^2$  rather than  $m = m_f + m_{res}$
- Exploratory calculations
  - $\longrightarrow \mathcal{O}(100)$  independent measurements per point
- Studying spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking
  - $\longrightarrow$  Domain wall fermions with  $L_s = 16$
  - $\longrightarrow m_{res} \approx 3 \times 10^{-5}$  (2f);  $8 \times 10^{-4}$  (6f);  $2 \times 10^{-3}$  (10f)

# DWF are expensive, even for exploratory calculations



#### $\sim$ 300M core-hours on LLNL BGL, USQCD clusters, NSF Teragrid...

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#### S parameter on the lattice

$$\begin{split} &\gamma & \sum_{X \to 0} \gamma = i e^{2} \Pi_{00} g^{\mu\nu} + \cdots \\ &Z & \sum_{X \to 0} \gamma = i \frac{e^{2}}{cs} (\Pi_{30} - s^{2} \Pi_{00}) g^{\mu\nu} + \cdots \\ &Z & \sum_{X \to 0} \gamma = i \frac{e^{2}}{cs} (\Pi_{30} - s^{2} \Pi_{00}) g^{\mu\nu} + \cdots \\ &Z & \prod_{VV} = 2 \Pi_{3Q} \\ &\Pi_{AA} = 4 \Pi_{33} - 2 \Pi_{3Q} \end{split}$$

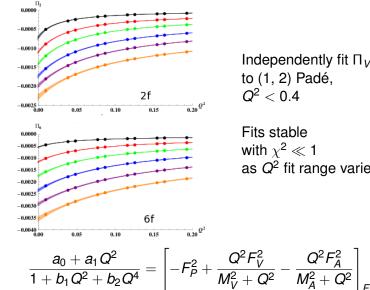
On the lattice, correlators involve a single pair of fermions

$$\Pi_{V-\mathcal{A}}^{\mu\nu}(Q) = Z \sum_{x} e^{iQ \cdot (x+\widehat{\mu}/2)} \operatorname{Tr} \left[ \left\langle \mathcal{V}^{\mu a}(x) V^{\nu b}(0) \right\rangle - \left\langle \mathcal{A}^{\mu a}(x) \mathcal{A}^{\nu b}(0) \right\rangle \right]$$
$$\Pi^{\mu\nu}(Q) = \left( \delta^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\widehat{Q}^{\mu} \widehat{Q}^{\nu}}{\widehat{Q}^{2}} \right) \Pi(Q^{2}) - \frac{\widehat{Q}^{\mu} \widehat{Q}^{\nu}}{\widehat{Q}^{2}} \Pi^{L}(Q^{2}) \qquad \widehat{Q} = 2\sin\left(Q/2\right)$$

 $\bullet$  Conserved currents  ${\cal V}$  and  ${\cal A}$  ensure that lattice artifacts cancel

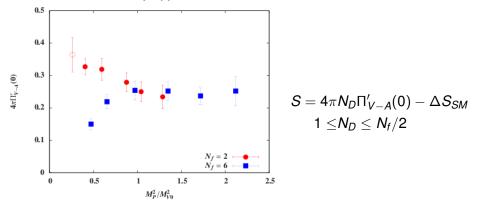
- $\langle \mathcal{V}^{\mu a}(x) \mathcal{V}^{\nu a}(0) \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathcal{A}^{\mu a}(x) \mathcal{A}^{\nu a}(0) \rangle$  require  $\mathcal{O}(L_s)$  inversions
- Renormalization constant Z computed non-perturbatively Z = 0.85 (2f); 0.73 (6f); 0.71 (10f)

#### Correlator data and fits



Independently fit  $\Pi_{V-A}(Q^2)$ to (1, 2) Padé,

Fits stable with  $\chi^2 \ll 1$ as  $Q^2$  fit range varies Fit results for  $\Pi'_{V-A}(0)$ ,  $N_f = 2$  and  $N_f = 6$ 



Reduction in  $\Pi'_{V-A}(0)$  for  $M_P^2 < M_{V0}^2 \equiv \lim_{m \to 0} M_V^2$  $\longrightarrow$  naïve scaling  $S \sim 0.3 \frac{N_f}{2} \frac{N_c}{3}$  does **not** hold

(Do expect naïve scaling in heavy-fermion limit  $M_P^2 \gg M_{V0}^2$ )

 $\Delta S_{SM}$  with  $m_f > 0$ 

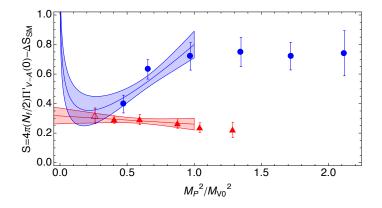
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- $\Delta S_{SM}$  diverges as  $s \rightarrow 0$  (cancelling out eaten modes)
- With  $m_f > 0$ , need lower bound  $4M_P^2 > 0$  on spectral integral
- For  $N_f = 2$ , cancellation continues to work as  $m_f \rightarrow 0$
- For  $N_f > 2$ , extra  $N_f^2 4$  uneaten modes

must receive masses from other interactions

- Set reference Higgs mass  $M_H^{ref} = \lim_{m \to 0} M_V \equiv M_{V0} \sim 1000 \text{ GeV}$
- Numerically,  $\Delta S_{SM} \lesssim$  0.04, only 5–10% reduction

S parameter,  $N_f = 2$  and  $N_f = 6$ 



For  $M_P^2 < M_{V0}^2$ , fit to form accounting for  $N_f^2 - 4$  uneaten modes

$$S = A + BM_P^2 + rac{1}{12\pi}\left[rac{N_f^2}{4} - 1
ight]\log\left(rac{M_{V0}^2}{M_P^2}
ight)$$

# Conclusion

- Elementary particle masses require electroweak symmetry breaking, which may be due to new strong dynamics
- Strongly-interacting gauge theories need not resemble QCD
- Lattice gauge theory can provide non-perturbative information

For SU(3) gauge theory with  $N_f = 6$  compared to  $N_f = 2$ we find an *S* parameter smaller than naïve scaling

Further refinements ongoing:

- Additional data,  $m_f = 0.0075$
- Effects of finite volume, topology
- "Twisted" BCs to reduce  $Q^2$
- Testing cheaper lattice action

•  $N_f = 10$ 

• OPE for  $\Pi_{V-A}$ 

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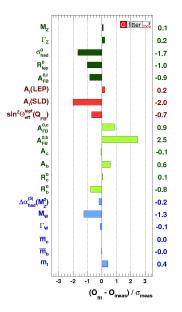
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# Funding and computing resources

# Bonus slides!

# Experimental confirmation of electroweak theory



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## Gauge invariance example: electromagnetism

Electric and magnetic fields in terms of potentials  $\Phi$  and  $\boldsymbol{A}$ 

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} - \nabla \Phi \qquad \qquad \mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

E and B are invariant under the gauge transformation

$$\Phi \to \Phi - \frac{\partial \Lambda}{\partial t}$$
  $\mathbf{A} \to \mathbf{A} + \nabla \Lambda$ 

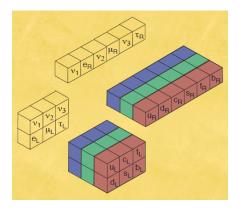
In four-vector notation,  $A_{\mu} = (\Phi, \mathbf{A}) \rightarrow A_{\mu} + \partial_{\mu} \Lambda$ 

Photon mass term in lagrangian is

$$rac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}^{2}\mathcal{A}_{\mu}\mathcal{A}^{\mu}=rac{1}{2}m_{\gamma}^{2}\left(\mathbf{A}\cdot\mathbf{A}-\Phi^{2}
ight)$$

Forbidden by gauge invariance!

## Massless fermions from chiral gauge theory



(Chris Quigg)

Fermion mass term in lagrangian is  $m\overline{\psi}\psi = m\left(\overline{\psi}_L\psi_B + \overline{\psi}_B\psi_L\right)$ 

$$\overline{\psi}_{L}\psi_{R}\sim\begin{pmatrix}\overline{\psi}_{\uparrow} & \overline{\psi}_{\downarrow}\end{pmatrix}_{L}\cdot(\psi)_{R}$$

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#### Fermion masses in standard model

Need to make a gauge-invariant object involving

$$\overline{\psi}_{L}\psi_{R}\sim\begin{pmatrix}\overline{\psi}_{\uparrow} & \overline{\psi}_{\downarrow}\end{pmatrix}_{L}\cdot(\psi)_{R}$$

Standard model solution: stick in a Higgs  $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi^+ \\ \phi^0 \end{pmatrix}$ 

$$\lambda_{\psi} \begin{pmatrix} \overline{\psi}_{\uparrow} & \overline{\psi}_{\downarrow} \end{pmatrix}_{L} \begin{pmatrix} \phi^{+} \\ \phi^{0} \end{pmatrix} (\psi)_{R}$$

With vacuum  $\langle \Phi \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ v/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$ , identify  $m_{\psi} = \lambda_{\psi} v/\sqrt{2}$ .

#### All fermion masses and mixing are arbitrary free parameters!

Gauge boson masses in standard model  $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 + i\phi_2 \\ \nu/\sqrt{2} + h + i\phi_3 \end{pmatrix}$   $\mathcal{L}_{\Phi} = (\mathcal{D}^{\mu}\Phi)^{\dagger} (\mathcal{D}_{\mu}\Phi) + \mu^2 \Phi^{\dagger}\Phi - \lambda \left(\Phi^{\dagger}\Phi\right)^2 \Rightarrow \mathbf{v} = \sqrt{-\mu^2/\lambda}$   $\mathcal{D}_{\mu} = (\partial_{\mu} + \frac{i}{2}g_1 B_{\mu}) \mathbb{I} + \frac{i}{2}g_2 W_{\mu}^a \sigma^a$ 

 $W^{\pm}$  and Z masses pop out of  $(\mathcal{D}^{\mu}\Phi)^{\dagger}(\mathcal{D}_{\mu}\Phi)$ . Relevant terms:

$$\frac{v^{2}}{8}(0 \ 1)\left(\begin{array}{cc} -g_{2}W_{\mu}^{3}-g_{1}B_{\mu} & g_{2}(W_{\mu}^{1}-iW_{\mu}^{2}) \\ g_{2}(W_{\mu}^{1}+iW_{\mu}^{2}) & g_{2}W_{\mu}^{3}-g_{1}B_{\mu}\end{array}\right)^{2}\left(\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1\end{array}\right)$$
$$\equiv \frac{g_{2}^{2}v^{2}}{8}(0 \ 1)\left(\begin{array}{cc} \cdots & \sqrt{2}W_{\mu}^{+} \\ \sqrt{2}W_{\mu}^{-} & (g_{1}^{2}+g_{2}^{2})^{1/2}Z_{\mu}/g_{2}\end{array}\right)^{2}\left(\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 1\end{array}\right)$$
$$\equiv M_{W}^{2}W^{+\mu}W_{\mu}^{-}+\frac{1}{2}M_{Z}^{2}Z^{\mu}Z_{\mu}+\cdots$$
$$M_{W}=\frac{1}{2}g_{2}v=(M_{Z}/g_{2})\sqrt{g_{1}^{2}+g_{2}^{2}}\equiv M_{Z}\cos\theta_{W}$$

#### Gauge boson masses in new strong dynamics

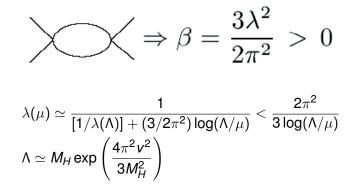
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$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{\chi} &= F_{P}^{2} \mathrm{Tr} \left[ \left( \mathcal{D}^{\mu} \Sigma \right)^{\dagger} \left( \mathcal{D}_{\mu} \Sigma \right) \right] / 4 \\ \Sigma &= \exp \left( 2i \sigma^{a} \pi^{a} / F_{P} \right) \sim q_{L} \overline{q}_{R} \\ \mathcal{D}_{\mu} &= \mathbb{I} \partial_{\mu} - \frac{i}{2} g_{2} \mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{a} \sigma^{a} \qquad \mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{a} = \left( \mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{1}, \mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{2}, \mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{3} - g_{1} \mathcal{B}_{\mu} / g_{2} \right) \end{split}$$

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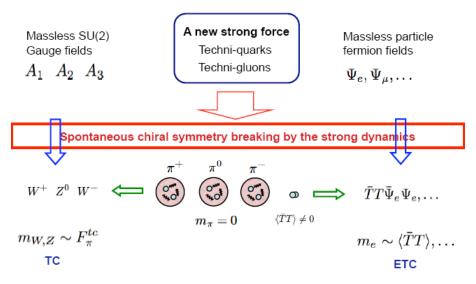
$$\begin{aligned} (\partial_{\mu}\pi^{a})^{2} - F_{P}g_{2}(\partial^{\mu}\pi^{a})\mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{a}/2 + F_{P}^{2}g_{2}^{2}(\mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{a})^{2}/16 &= \left[F_{P}g_{2}\mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{a}/4 - \partial_{\mu}\pi^{a}\right]^{2} \\ &= F_{P}^{2}g_{2}^{2}\left[(\mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{1})^{2} + (\mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{2})^{2}\right]/8 + F_{P}^{2}(g_{2}^{2} + g_{1}^{2})Z_{\mu}^{2}/8 \\ &\equiv \mathcal{M}_{W}^{2}\mathcal{W}^{+\mu}\mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{-} + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{M}_{Z}^{2}Z^{\mu}Z_{\mu} \quad \longrightarrow F_{P} = \mathbf{v} \end{aligned}$$

## Triviality of fundamental Higgs



$$M_H = 115 \text{ GeV} \longrightarrow \Lambda \sim 10^{28} \text{ GeV}$$
  
 $M_H = 700 \text{ GeV} \longrightarrow \Lambda \sim 1000 \text{ GeV}$ 

# (Extended) technicolor in a picture



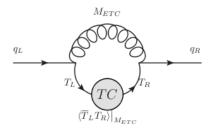


#### Fermion masses in extended technicolor

Integrating out ETC gauge bosons produces four-fermion operators that provide both SM fermion masses and FCNCs



FCNCs required by CKM mixing, limit obtainable SM fermion masses.

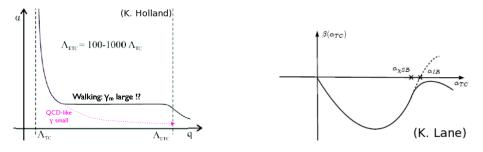


 $M_{ETC}$ 

## "Walking" Technicolor

$$\langle \overline{T}T \rangle \big|_{M_{ETC}} = \langle \overline{T}T \rangle \big|_{\Lambda_{TC}} \exp\left(\int_{\Lambda_{TC}}^{M_{ETC}} \frac{d\mu}{\mu} \gamma(\mu)\right) \approx \langle \overline{T}T \rangle \big|_{\Lambda_{TC}} \left(\frac{M_{ETC}}{\Lambda_{TC}}\right)^{\gamma}$$

γ(μ) ~ 1 for Λ<sub>TC</sub> ≤ μ ≤ M<sub>ETC</sub> enhances fermion masses
 Implies large, slowly-running ("walking") coupling, small β function



#### Perturbative Yang–Mills $\beta$ function

For  $SU(N_c)$  Yang–Mills theory with  $N_f$  fermions in representation r

$$\beta(g) = \mu \frac{\partial g}{\partial \mu} = \beta_0 g^3 + \beta_1 g^5 + \beta_2 g^7 + \cdots$$
$$\beta_0 = -\frac{1}{(4\pi)^2} \left( \frac{11}{3} N_c - \frac{4}{3} N_f C(r) \right)$$
$$\beta_1 = -\frac{1}{(4\pi)^4} \left[ \frac{34}{3} N_c^2 - \left( \frac{13}{3} N_c - \frac{1}{N_c} \right) N_f C(r) \right]$$

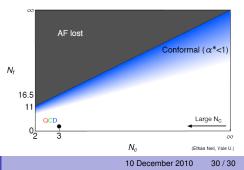
Higher-order  $\beta_i$  depend on choice of renormalization scheme

$$C(N) = \frac{1}{2}$$
  $C(Adj) = N_c$   $C_2(N) = \frac{d(Adj)}{d(N)}C(N) = \frac{N_c^2 - 1}{2N_c}$ 

## Conformal window

- Strongly-coupled gauge theories can look very different than QCD
- With many fermions, theory has perturbative IR fixed point; it is in a conformal phase with no spontaneous χSB
- The **conformal window** ranges from loss of asymptotic freedom to some (unknown) critical  $N_f^c < N_f^{AF}$
- With  $N_f \lesssim N_f^c$ , may be approximately conformal (walking!) for some range of scales

Visualization of conformal window for  $SU(N_c)$  fermions in fundamental rep:



## Anomalous dimension

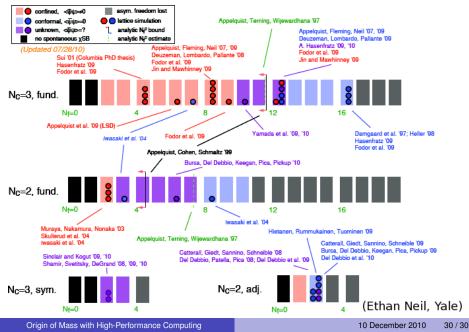
From "rainbow approximation" to "gap" (Schwinger–Dyson) equation

Assume spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking when

$$lpha(\mu) \geq rac{\pi}{\mathbf{3C_2(r)}} \equiv lpha_{\chi SB}$$

When  $\alpha(\mu) = \alpha_{\chi SB}$ , this gives  $\gamma(\mu) = 1$ 

## Searching for conformal windows



## NLO $\chi$ PT for general $N_f$

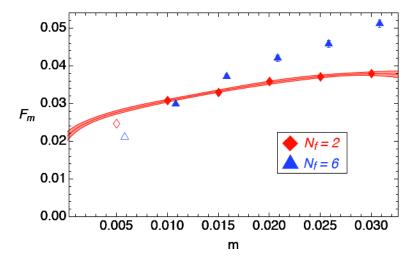
$$\begin{split} \frac{M_P^2}{2m} &= B \left\{ 1 + \frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2} \left[ \alpha_m + \frac{1}{N_f} \log\left(\frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2}\right) \right] \right\} \\ F_P &= F \left\{ 1 + \frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2} \left[ \alpha_F - \frac{N_f}{2} \log\left(\frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2}\right) \right] \right\} \\ \left\langle \overline{\psi}\psi \right\rangle &= F^2 B \left\{ 1 + \frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2} \left[ \alpha_C - \frac{N_f^2 - 1}{N_f} \log\left(\frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2}\right) \right] \right\} \end{split}$$

•  $\alpha_{C}$  includes "contact term"  $m\Lambda^{2} \sim ma^{-2}$ 

• NNLO  $M_P^2$  coefficients enhanced by  $N_f^2$ 

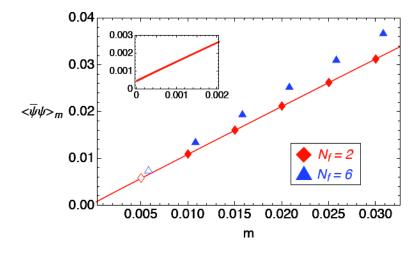
(Bijnens & Lu, 2009)

#### Goldstone decay constant



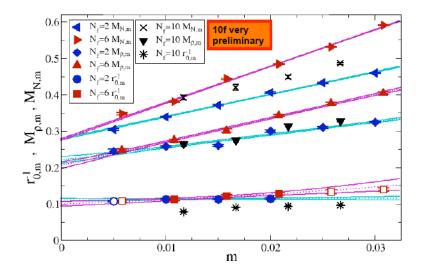
Joint NNLO $\chi$ PT fit to  $N_f = 2 F_P, M_P^2, \langle \overline{\psi} \psi \rangle$ 

#### Chiral condensate



Joint NNLO $\chi$ PT fit to  $N_f = 2 F_P$ ,  $M_P^2$ ,  $\langle \overline{\psi}\psi \rangle$ Linear term clearly dominant

#### "Sommer scale", vector and nucleon masses



 $N_f = 2$  and  $N_f = 6$  all match at 10% level

#### Chiral condensate enhancement: preliminaries

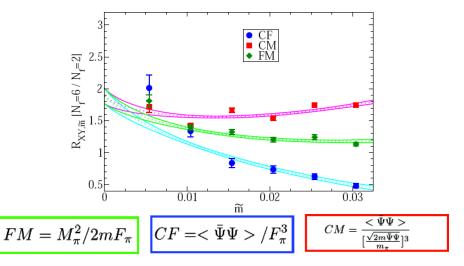
- Search for enhancement through  $\left<\overline{\psi}\psi\right>/F^3$
- Not RG invariant: keep cutoff fixed in physical units
- Focus on the ratio *R* of  $\left<\overline{\psi}\psi\right>/F^3$  between  $N_f=6$  and  $N_f=2$

$$R = \frac{\left(\left\langle \overline{\psi}\psi \right\rangle / F^{3}\right)_{6f}}{\left(\left\langle \overline{\psi}\psi \right\rangle / F^{3}\right)_{2f}} = \frac{\exp\left(\int_{M_{\rho}}^{5M_{\rho}} \left. \frac{\gamma(\mu)}{\mu} \right|_{6f} d\mu\right)}{\exp\left(\int_{M_{\rho}}^{5M_{\rho}} \left. \frac{\gamma(\mu)}{\mu} \right|_{2f} d\mu\right)}$$

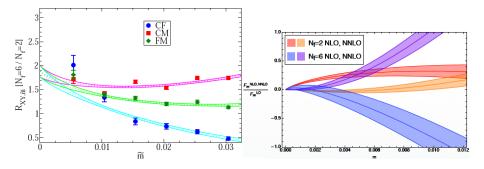
*MS* perturbation theory & perturbative conversion to lattice scheme predicts R = 1.27(7)

# Enhancement of $\langle \overline{\psi}\psi\rangle/F^3$ , $N_f = 2$ to $N_f = 6$

Find significant enhancement compared with perturbative R = 1.27(7)



NLO  $\chi$ PT fits,  $N_f = 2$  and  $N_f = 6$ 

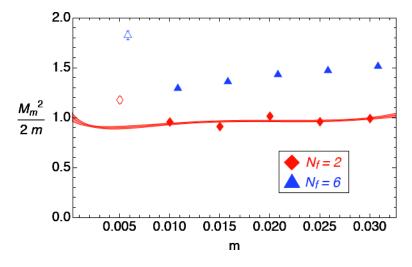


• NLO $\chi$ PT fits work for  $N_f = 2$  but not  $N_f = 6$  (lighter  $m_f$  required)

• GMOR 
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\langle \overline{\psi}\psi \rangle}{F_{\pi}^{3}} = \frac{M_{\pi}^{3}}{\sqrt{(2m)^{3}\langle \overline{\psi}\psi \rangle}} = \frac{M_{\pi}^{2}}{2mF_{\pi}} \equiv \mathcal{R} \text{ as } m \to 0$$

• Fit ratios to  $\mathcal{R}\left[1 + \widetilde{m}(\alpha_{XY10} + \alpha_{11}\log\widetilde{m})\right]$  where  $\widetilde{m} \equiv \sqrt{m_2m_6}$ 

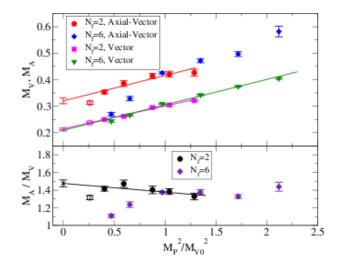
## Pseudo Nambu–Goldstone boson mass



• Slope of  $M_P^2$  with *m* significantly larger for  $N_f = 6$ 

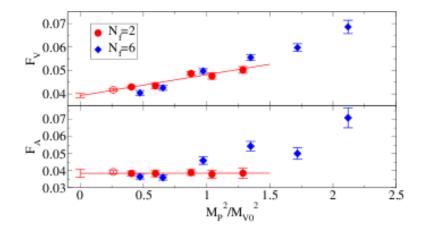
• Plot against  $M_P^2$ , to provide more physical comparison

#### Vector and axial spectrum



Signs of  $N_f = 6$  parity-doubling as  $M_P^2$  decreases  $\Rightarrow$  implications for *S* parameter?

## Vector and axial decay constants



Need  $F_V \approx F_A$  for parity-doubling to produce vanishing S parameter

## Wilson gauge action

$$\begin{split} U_{x,\mu} &= \exp\left[iagA_{\mu}(x+\widehat{\mu}/2)\right] \quad (\text{directed from } x+\widehat{\mu} \text{ to } x) \\ P_{x,\mu\nu} &= \text{Tr}\left[U_{x,\mu}U_{x+\widehat{\mu},\nu}U_{x+\widehat{\nu},\mu}^{\dagger}U_{x,\nu}^{\dagger}\right] \\ S_{G} &= \frac{1}{g^{2}}\sum_{x}\sum_{\mu\neq\nu}\left(3-P_{x,\mu\nu}-P_{x,\mu\nu}^{\dagger}\right) \\ &\rightarrow \int \frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \mathcal{O}(a^{2}) \quad \text{as } a \to 0 \end{split}$$

#### Domain wall Dirac operator

$$D_{x,y}^{W}(M_{5}) = (4 - M_{5})\delta_{x,y} - \frac{1}{2} \left[ (1 + \gamma^{\mu})U_{x,\mu}^{\dagger}\delta_{x,y+\mu} + (1 - \gamma^{\mu})U_{x,\mu}\delta_{x+\mu,y} \right]$$
$$D_{s,s'}(m) = \left[ D^{W}(M_{5}) + 1 \right] \delta_{s,s'} + P_{L} \left[ (1 + m)\delta_{s,L_{s}-1}\delta_{s',0} - \delta_{s+1,s'} \right] + P_{R} \left[ (1 + m)\delta_{s,0}\delta_{s',L_{s}-1} - \delta_{s,s'+1} \right]$$
$$D(m) = \begin{pmatrix} D^{W} + 1 & -P_{L} & 0 & \cdots & mP_{R} \\ -P_{R} & D^{W} + 1 & -P_{L} & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -P_{R} & D^{W} + 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -P_{R} & D^{W} + 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ mP_{L} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & D^{W} + 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

 $P_L = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma_5), P_R = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma_5);$   $M_5 < 2$  is height of domain wall

#### Conserved and local domain wall currents

Conserved currents:

$$\mathcal{V}^{\mu a}(x) = \sum_{s=0}^{L_s-1} j^{\mu a}(x,s) \qquad \qquad \mathcal{A}^{\mu a}(x) = \sum_{s=0}^{L_s-1} \operatorname{sign}\left(s - \frac{L_s-1}{2}\right) j^{\mu a}(x,s)$$

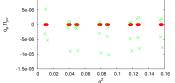
$$j^{\mu a}(x,s) = \overline{\Psi}(x+\widehat{\mu},s)rac{1+\gamma^{\mu}}{2} au^{a}U^{\dagger}_{x,\mu}\Psi(x,s) 
onumber \ -\overline{\Psi}(x,s)rac{1-\gamma^{\mu}}{2} au^{a}U_{x,\mu}\Psi(x+\widehat{\mu},s)$$

Local currents:

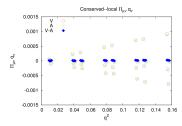
$$egin{aligned} V^{\mu}(x) &= \overline{q}(x) \gamma^{\mu} au^a q(x) & A^{\mu}(x) &= \overline{q}(x) \gamma^{\mu} \gamma^5 au^a q(x) \ & q(x) &= P_L \Psi(x,0) + P_R \Psi(x,L_s-1) \end{aligned}$$

#### Ward identities and violations

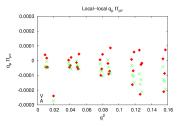




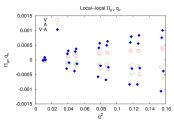
$$\sum_{x} e^{iQ\cdot(x+\widehat{\mu}/2)} \left( \left\langle \mathcal{V}_{\mu}^{a} V_{\nu}^{a} \right\rangle - \left\langle \mathcal{A}_{\mu}^{a} \mathcal{A}_{\nu}^{a} 
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 $\widehat{Q}_{\mu}\left[\sum_{x} e^{iQ\cdot x} \left\langle V_{\mu}^{a}(x) V_{\nu}^{a}(0) \right\rangle\right] \neq 0$ 

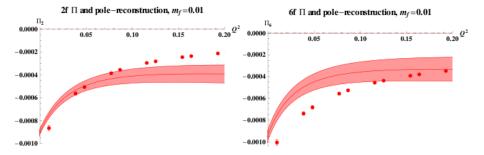


 $\left[\sum_{x} e^{iQ\cdot x} \left( \left\langle V_{\mu}^{a} V_{\nu}^{a} \right\rangle - \left\langle A_{\mu}^{a} A_{\nu}^{a} \right\rangle \right) \right] \widehat{Q}_{\nu} \neq 0$ 



## Single-pole approximations to $\Pi_{V-A}$

$$egin{aligned} R_V(s) &= 12\pi^2 F_V^2 \delta(s-M_V^2) & R_A(s) &= 12\pi^2 F_A^2 \delta(s-M_A^2) \ & \Pi_{V-A}(Q^2) &= -F_P^2 + rac{Q^2 F_V^2}{M_V^2 + Q^2} - rac{Q^2 F_A^2}{M_A^2 + Q^2} \end{aligned}$$



S in  $\chi$ PT, for  $N_f = 2$ 

$$S = \frac{1}{12\pi} \left( \frac{\overline{\ell}_{5}}{F_{5}} + \log \left[ \frac{M_{P}^{2} \frac{v^{2}}{F_{P}^{2}}}{M_{H}^{2}} \right] - \frac{1}{6} \right)$$

 $\overline{\ell}_5$  is extracted from

(Gasser and Leutwyler)

$$\Pi_{V-A}(Q^2) = -F_P^2 + Q^2 \left[ \frac{1}{24\pi^2} \left( \overline{\ell}_5 - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \frac{2}{3} (1+x) \overline{J}(x) \right]$$
$$\overline{J}(x) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left( \sqrt{1+x} \log \left[ \frac{\sqrt{1+x} - 1}{\sqrt{1+x} + 1} \right] + 2 \right), \quad x \equiv 4M_P^2/Q^2$$

• Our  $N_f \ge 6$  simulations have  $M_P$  too large to apply  $\chi$ PT

- General- $N_f$  corrections for  $\overline{\ell}_5$  not yet known
- Must take only two flavors to the chiral limit,

any others remain massive