

Isospin splittings of pseudoscalar mesons from lattice QCD and quenched QED

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Motivation

- Lattice computations nowadays reach below 1% precision
- $m_u \neq m_d$ and QED effects become relevant
- Parameters can be calibrated using experimental data

- meson masses $M_{\pi^+}, M_{K^+}, \dots$
- mass splittings

$$\Delta M_{\pi}^2 = M_{\pi^+}^2 - M_{\pi^0}^2$$

$$\Delta M_K^2 = M_{K^0}^2 - M_{K^+}^2$$

$$\Delta M_D^2 = M_{D^+}^2 - M_{D^0}^2$$

- Quenched QED
 - existing $N_f = 2 + 1(+1)$ configurations can be reused

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QCD+QED

- Noncompact photon action

$$S_\gamma[A] = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\mu, \nu, \mathbf{x}} (\partial_\mu A_{\mathbf{x}, \nu} - \partial_\nu A_{\mathbf{x}, \mu})^2$$

- Gauge fixing: Coulomb gauge $\underline{\partial}^\dagger \cdot \underline{\mathbf{A}}_{\mathbf{x}} = 0$
- Zero mode subtraction: QED_L [Hayakawa & Uno, 2008]

$$\sum_{\underline{\mathbf{x}}} A_{\underline{\mathbf{x}}, t, \mu} = 0 \quad \text{for all } t \text{ and } \mu$$

- Coupling to quarks

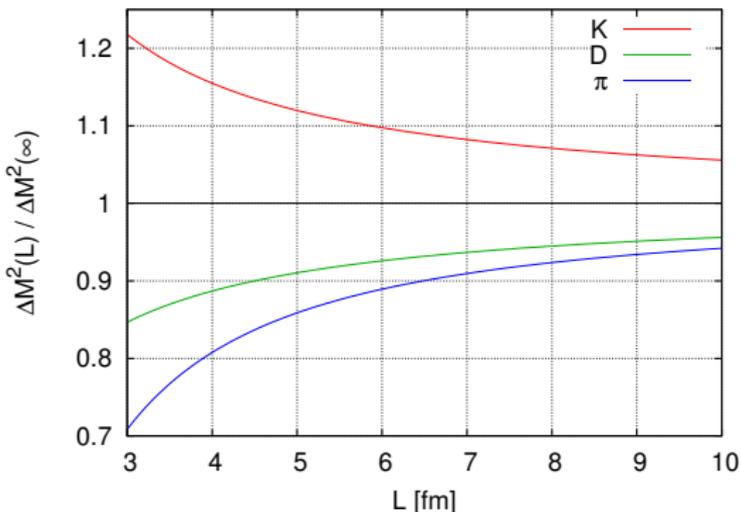
$$U_{\mathbf{x}, \mu} \longrightarrow U_{\mathbf{x}, \mu} \cdot e^{ieq A_{\mathbf{x}, \mu}}$$

FV correction in QED_L

$$m(T, L) \sim m \cdot \left(1 - \frac{q^2 \alpha \kappa}{2 m L} \left[1 + \frac{2}{m L} \right] + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\alpha}{L^3}\right) \right)$$

with $\kappa \approx 2.837297$

[Borsanyi *et.al.*, 2015]



Quenched QED

- QCD + QED

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{U,A} = \frac{1}{Z} \int dU \int dA \mathcal{O}(U, A) e^{-S_g[U]} e^{-S_\gamma[A]} \det M(U, A)$$

- Quenched QED

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathcal{O} \rangle_{\substack{U, \text{dynamical} \\ A, \text{quenched}}} &= \frac{1}{Z} \int dU \int dA \underbrace{\mathcal{O}(U, A) e^{-S_\gamma[A]} e^{-S_g[U]} \det M(U)}_{\langle \mathcal{O}(U, A) \rangle_{A,q}} \\ &= \left\langle \left\langle \mathcal{O}(U, A) \right\rangle_{A,q} \right\rangle_U \end{aligned}$$

- In practice

- Generate $SU(3)$ configurations
- For each $SU(3)$ configuration, generate $U(1)$ configurations with S_γ
- Measure $\mathcal{O}(U, A)$

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Expansion of correlators

$$m_u = m_l - \frac{\delta m}{2} \quad m_d = m_l + \frac{\delta m}{2}$$

- 1st order in δm and e^2

$$\langle C(\delta m, e) \rangle \approx \left\langle C_0(U) \right\rangle_U + \delta m \cdot \left\langle C_m(U) \right\rangle_U + \frac{e^2}{2} \cdot \left\langle \left\langle C_2(U, A) \right\rangle_{A,q} \right\rangle_U$$

where

$$C_0(U) = C(\delta m, e, U, A) \Big|_{\substack{\delta m=0 \\ e=0}}$$

$$C_m(U) = \frac{d}{d(\delta m)} C(\delta m, e, U, A) \Big|_{\substack{\delta m=0 \\ e=0}}$$

$$C_2(U, A) = \frac{d^2}{de^2} C(\delta m, e, U, A) \Big|_{\substack{\delta m=0 \\ e=0}}$$

- Advantage: δm and e contributions can be separated

Computation in practice

- Approximate derivatives

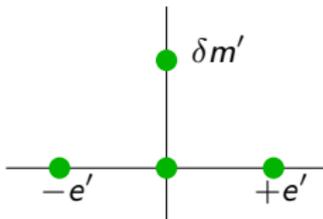
$$C_m(U) \approx \frac{C(\delta m', 0) - C(0, 0)}{\delta m'}$$

$$C_2(U, A) \approx \frac{C(0, e') + C(0, -e') - 2C(0, 0)}{e'^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle C(\delta m, e) \rangle \approx & \left\langle C(0, 0) \right\rangle_U + \frac{\delta m}{\delta m'} \cdot \left\langle C(\delta m', 0) - C(0, 0) \right\rangle_U + \\ & + \frac{e^2}{2e'^2} \cdot \left\langle \left\langle C(0, e') + C(0, -e') \right\rangle_{A,q} - 2C(0, 0) \right\rangle_U \end{aligned}$$

- Correlators to be computed

$C(0, 0)$
 $C(\delta m', 0)$
 $C(0, e')$
 $C(0, -e')$



- Advantage: $\mathcal{O}(e)$ noise cancellation

Computation using random vectors

Pseudoscalar meson correlator built from flavors f and f'

$$C_{f,f'}(t, \bar{t}) = \sum_{\mathbf{x}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}} \text{Tr}_c \left[\left(M^{(f)\dagger} \right)_{\mathbf{x}, t; \bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{t}}^{-1} \left(M^{(f')} \right)_{\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{t}; \mathbf{x}, t} \right]$$

ξ_t : random wall source on timeslice t

$$\langle (\xi_t)_x^* (\xi_{t'})_{x'} \rangle = \delta_{t, x_4} \delta_{t', x'_4} \delta_{x, x'}$$

$$C_{f,f'}(t, \bar{t}) = \left\langle \left(M^{(f)} \right)^{-1} \xi_t \left| \left(M^{(f')} \right)^{-1} \xi_{\bar{t}} \right\rangle_{\bar{t}}$$

13 inversions on each ξ_t

	$m_l - \frac{\delta m}{2}$	$m_l + \frac{\delta m}{2}$	m_l	m_s	m_c
$q = 0$	2	2	1	1,2	1,2
$q = \frac{1}{3}$			4	4	
$q = -\frac{1}{3}$			3	3	
$q = \frac{2}{3}$			3		3
$q = -\frac{2}{3}$			4		4

- 1: $C(0, 0)$
- 2: $C(\delta m', 0)$
- 3: $C(0, e')$
- 4: $C(0, -e')$

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Ensembles

- Tree-level Symanzyk gauge action
- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ staggered fermions
stout smearing 4 steps, $\varrho = 0.125$
- m_l and m_s fixed via
 $\overline{M}_\pi = 134.8(3) \text{ MeV}$
 $\overline{M}_K = 494.2(3) \text{ MeV}$

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- m_c is fixed via $\frac{m_c}{m_s} = 11.85$
- $e = \sqrt{4\pi\alpha}$ is set to Thomson limit
- δm is fixed to give

$$\frac{m_u}{m_d} = 0.485(11)(8)(14)$$

[Fodor *et al.*, 2016]

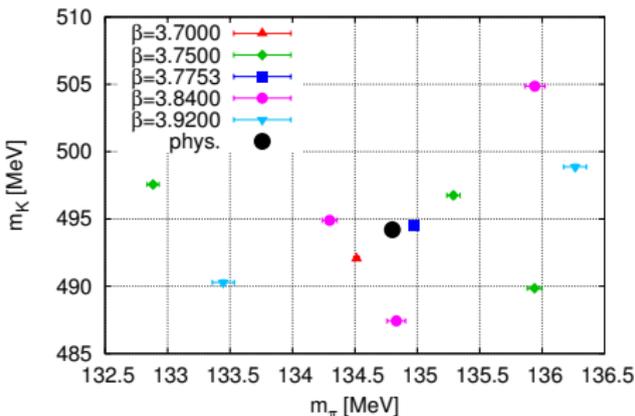
- other possible choice e.g.

$$\frac{m_u}{m_d} = 0.4582(38)_{\text{stat}} \binom{+12}{-82}_{a^2} (1)_{\text{FV}_{\text{QCD}}} (110)_{\text{EM}}$$

[Gottlieb *et al.*, 2016]

- Subset of [arXiv:1612.02364]

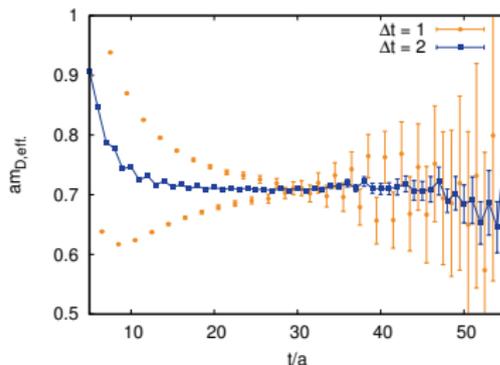
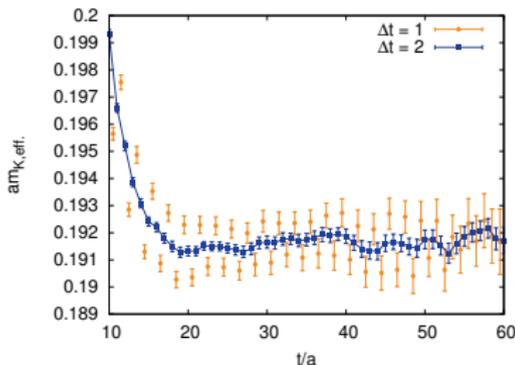
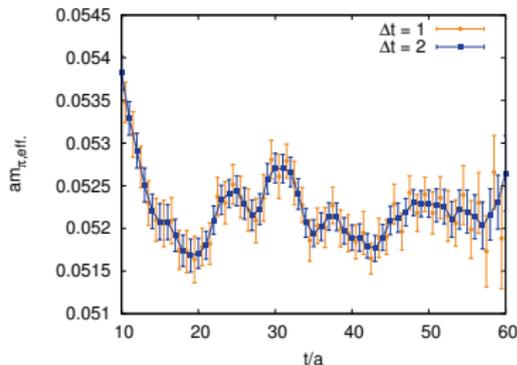
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3.7000	0.134	$48^3 \times 64$	6.4	8.6	160
3.7500	0.118	$56^3 \times 96$	6.6	11.3	204
3.7753	0.111	$56^3 \times 84$	6.2	9.3	128
3.8400	0.095	$64^3 \times 96$	6.1	9.1	198
3.9200	0.078	$80^3 \times 128$	6.2	10.0	184



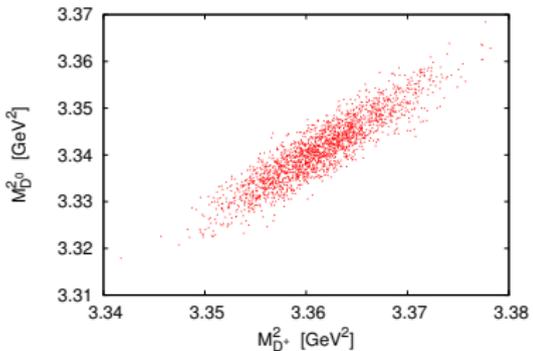
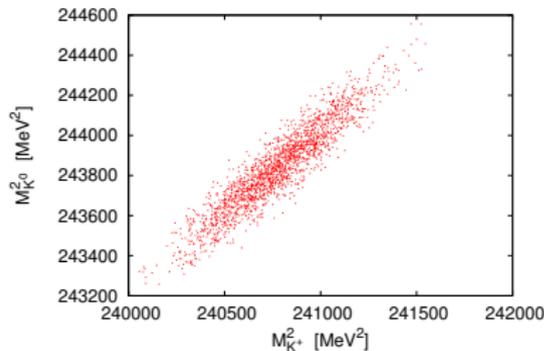
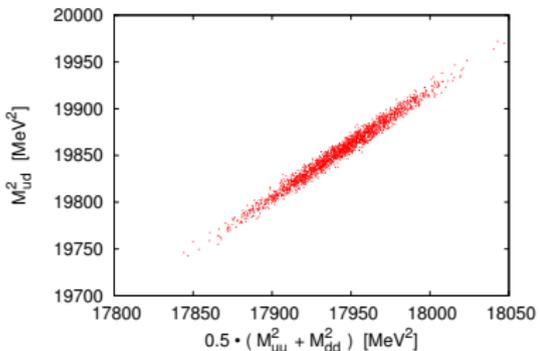
Effective masses, $\beta = 3.9200$

$$\frac{C(t + \Delta t)}{C(t)} = \frac{\cosh\left(m \cdot \left(t + \Delta t - \frac{T}{2}\right)\right)}{\cosh\left(m \cdot \left(t - \frac{T}{2}\right)\right)}$$

$$\text{solve for } m \longrightarrow m_{\text{eff.}}\left(t + \frac{\Delta t}{2}\right)$$

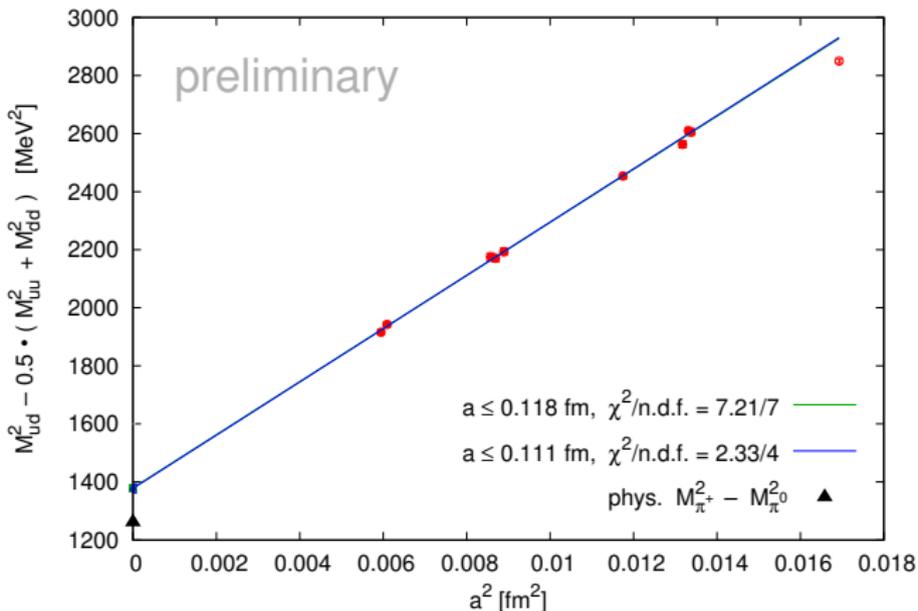


Mass correlation, $\beta = 3.9200$



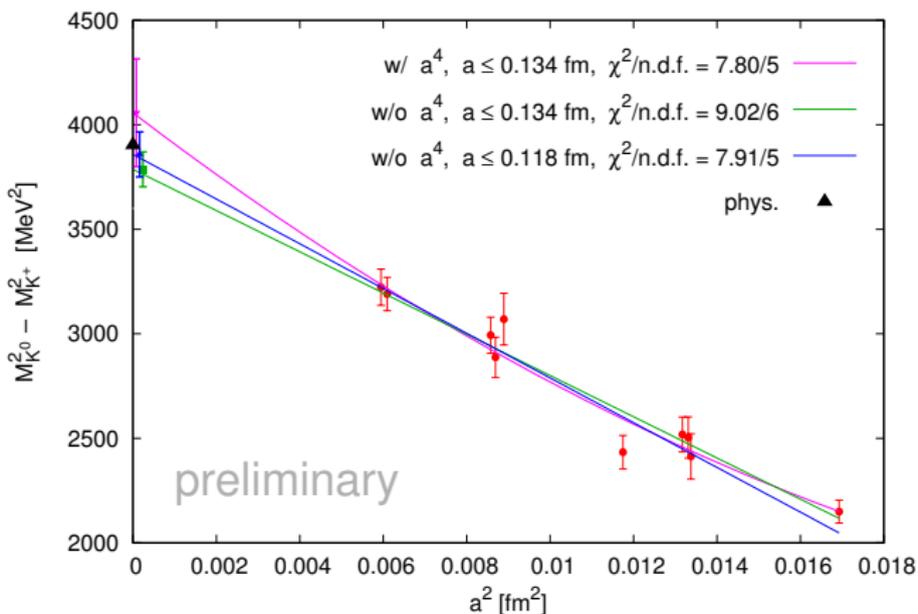
- Masses are highly correlated
- Error of ΔM^2 is smaller than that of M^2

Continuum limit



$$\Delta M_{\pi}^2(\text{lat.}) = \Delta M_{\pi}^2 + A_2 \cdot a^2$$

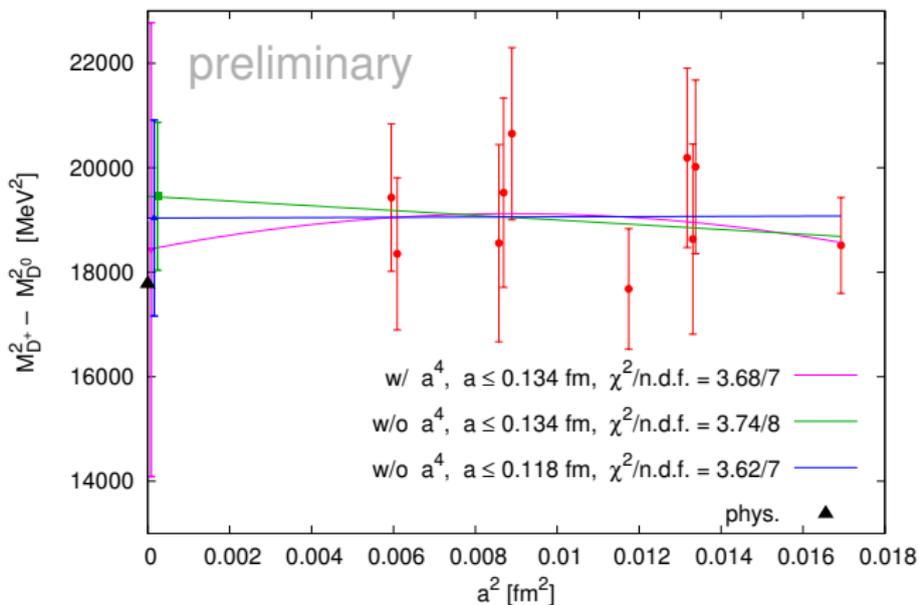
Continuum limit



$$\Delta M_K^2(\text{lat.}) = \Delta M_K^2 + A_2 \cdot a^2 + B \cdot (M_\pi^2 - M_{\pi,\text{phys.}}^2) + C \cdot (M_K^2 - M_{K,\text{phys.}}^2)$$

$$\Delta M_K^2(\text{lat.}) = \Delta M_K^2 + A_2 \cdot a^2 + A_4 \cdot a^4 + B \cdot (M_\pi^2 - M_{\pi,\text{phys.}}^2) + C \cdot (M_K^2 - M_{K,\text{phys.}}^2)$$

Continuum limit



$$\Delta M_D^2(\text{lat.}) = \Delta M_D^2 + A_2 \cdot a^2$$

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- Computed ΔM_π^2 , ΔM_K^2 and ΔM_D^2 using quenched QED
- ΔM_K^2 and ΔM_D^2 are compatible with experimental value
- ΔM_π^2 disagrees with experimental value
← lack of disconnected contribution / quenching effects
- Large lattice artefacts

- Outlook

- Include disconnected contributions to π^0
- Use gained experience to compute other observables