

# Electromagnetic Effects in Staggered ChiPT



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# Motivation: better light quark masses

- The leading uncertainty in the MILC collaboration's calculation of the up to down quark-mass ratio  $m_u/m_d$  comes from electromagnetic (EM) effects.
- These also make substantial contributions to individual quark mass errors.

MILC, arXiv:0903.3598 RMP

$$m_u/m_d = 0.42(0)(1)\boxed{(4)} \quad \text{EM error is 10\%}$$

$$m_u = 1.9(0)(1)(1)\boxed{(1)} \text{ MeV}$$

$$m_d = 4.6(0)(2)(2)\boxed{(1)} \text{ MeV}$$

# So...

- We need better control of electromagnetic effects.
- We use quenched-photon simulations; sea-quark electric charges are set to zero.
- The use of meson mass splittings, makes this sufficient. Explained below. (Bijnens & Danielsson, hep-lat/0610127)
- See talk by Aaron Torok on quenched photon simulations. (Thursday 14:30, Rm 5 - Hadron spectroscopy)

# Origin of the EM Uncertainty

Quark masses are obtained by tuning bare quark masses such that lattice meson masses match experiment.

E.g.

$$(M_{K^+}^2)_{\text{QCD}} \equiv M_{K^+}^2 - (M_{K^\pm}^2 - M_{K^0}^2)_{\text{EM}}$$

lattice                      ↑ experiment       $(M_{K^\pm}^2 - M_{K^0}^2)_{\text{EM}}$       ≈ electromagnetic effects

Assuming, for now, that EM effects are small for  $M_{K^0}^2$ .

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• Dasher constructed the combination (Phys. Rev. **183**, 1245 (1969))

$$\Delta M_D^2 \equiv (M_{K^\pm}^2 - M_{K^0}^2) - (M_{\pi^+}^2 - M_{\pi^0}^2)$$

and pointed out that to leading order, including leading order EM effects,  $\Delta M_D^2 = 0$ .

• The “violation of Dasher’s theorem” is often parametrized as

$$(M_{K^\pm}^2 - M_{K^0}^2)_{\text{EM}} = (1 + \Delta_E)(M_{\pi^+}^2 - M_{\pi^0}^2)_{\text{EM}}$$

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# Partially Quenched Notation

$x$  and  $y$  label valence quarks;  $\chi_{xy} = B_0(m_x + m_y)$ .

sea charge

$$\bar{Q}_2 \equiv \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\sigma \in \text{sea}} q_\sigma^2$$

$q_{x\sigma} = q_x - q_\sigma =$  charge of an  $x\sigma$  meson

•& Continuum - R. Urech

Nucl. Phys. B **433**:234 (1995); hep-ph/945341

•& Partially Quenched - Bijnens & Danielsson

PRD **75**:014505 (2007); hep-lat/0610127

# The Partially Quenched Result

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{xy}^2 = & B_0(m_x + m_y) + q_{xy}^2 \Delta_{\text{EM}} \\
 & + \frac{24}{F_0^2} (2L_6 - L_4) \bar{\chi}_1 \chi_{xy} + \frac{8}{F_0^2} (2L_8 - L_5) \chi_{xy}^2 \\
 & - 48e^2 Z_E L_4 q_{xy}^2 \bar{\chi}_1 - 16e^2 Z_E L_5 q_{xy} \chi_{xy} \\
 & - 12e^2 (K_1 + K_2 - K_7 - K_8) \bar{Q}_2 \chi_{xy} \\
 & - 4e^2 (K_5 + K_6) q_p^2 \chi_{xy} + 4e^2 (K_9 + K_{10}) q_p^2 \chi_p + 12e^2 K_8 q_{xy}^2 \bar{\chi}_1 \\
 & + 8e^2 (K_{10} + K_{11}) q_{xy}^2 \chi_{xy} - 4e^2 (2K_{18} + K_{19}) q_x q_y \chi_{xy} \\
 & - \frac{1}{3F_0^2} \bar{A}(\chi_m) \mathcal{R}_{n13}^m \chi_{xy} - \frac{1}{3F_0^2} \bar{A}(\chi_p) \mathcal{R}_{q\pi\eta}^p \chi_{xy} \\
 & + e^2 \bar{A}(\chi_{xy}) q_{xy}^2 \\
 & - 4e^2 \bar{B}_1(\chi_\gamma, \chi_{xy}; \chi_{xy}) q_{xy}^2 \chi_{xy} + 4e^2 \bar{B}(\chi_\gamma, \chi_{xy}; \chi_{xy}) q_{xy}^2 \chi_{xy} \\
 & + 2e^2 Z_E \bar{A}(\chi_{x\sigma}) q_{x\sigma} q_{xy} - 2e^2 Z_E \bar{A}(\chi_{y\sigma}) q_{y\sigma} q_{xy}
 \end{aligned}$$

LEC's

EM

chiral  
logs

EM



# Using quenched photons

- Sea quark charges appear in two places.
  - The analytic term proportional to  $\bar{Q}_2$  cancels in mass splittings, or combinations of splittings.
  - Log terms are calculable in chipt, with no unknown LECs.
- Hence, we can use quenched photon simulations (and add the chiral logs back in at the end).

# Staggered ChiPT

• Use the replica method:  $n_v \rightarrow 0$   $n_s \rightarrow 1/4$

• Mesons  $P_{xy}$  have taste structure

$$P_{xy} = \sum_{\xi} P_{xy,\xi} T^{\xi}$$

$T^{\xi} \in (\xi_5, \xi_{\mu 5}, \xi_{\mu}, \xi_{\mu\nu} \mu < \nu, \xi_I)$  taste generators

• Taste-breaking potential  $a^2 \mathcal{V}$

# Staggered Lagrangian

• The (Euclidian) Lagrangian + EM

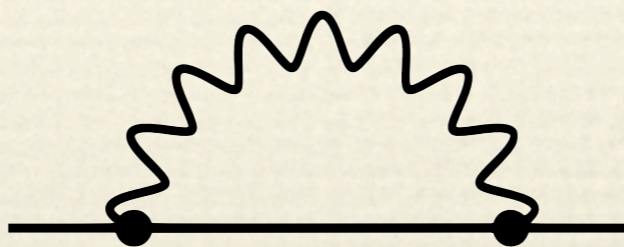
$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \frac{f^2}{8} \langle d^\mu \Sigma^\dagger d_\mu \Sigma \rangle - \frac{f^2}{8} \langle \chi \Sigma^\dagger + \chi^\dagger \Sigma \rangle - e^2 C \langle Q \Sigma Q \Sigma^\dagger \rangle \\ + \frac{1}{24} m_0^2 \langle \phi \rangle^2 + a^2 \mathcal{V}$$

$$d_\mu \Sigma \rightarrow \partial_\mu \Sigma - i Q A_\mu \Sigma + i \Sigma Q A_\mu \quad Q = \text{diag}(q_x, q_y, q_u, q_d, q_s)$$

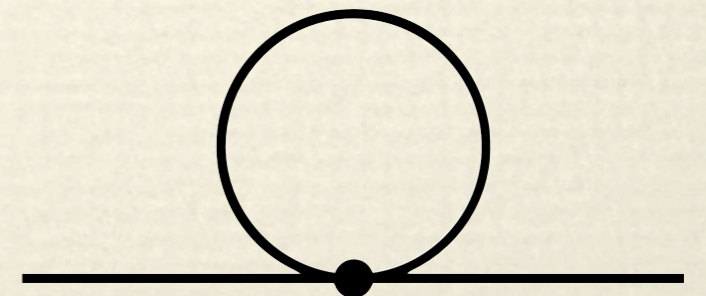
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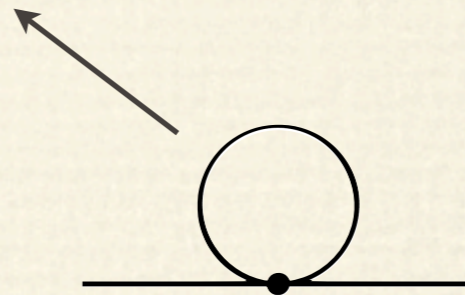
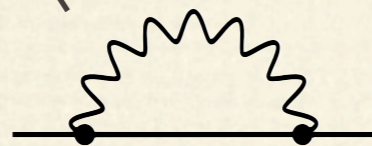
# The Calculation

- Calculation closely follows Aubin and Bernard,
  - (PRD **68**: 034014 (2003); hep-lat/0304014).
- Must be careful to use the correct leading-order mass, including EM effects, in the simplifications using  $p^2 = -M^2$ .
- This leads to a type of cancellation, noted by Aubin and Bernard, which appears in the EM PQ and EM staggered calculations as well.

# The Result: NLO chiral logs

$$\delta M_{xy,5}^2 = -\frac{1}{16\pi^2} e^2 q_{xy}^2 M_{xy,5}^2 [3 \ln M_{xy,5}^2 - 4]$$

$$+ \frac{-2\Delta_{\text{EM}}}{16\pi^2 f^2} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right) \sum_{\xi} \left[ q_{x\sigma} q_{xy} I_{x\sigma,\xi} - q_{y\sigma} q_{xy} I_{y\sigma,\xi} \right]$$



with  $I_{ij,\xi} \equiv M_{ij,\xi}^2 (\ln M_{ij,\xi}^2 + \dots)$  and  $\Delta_{\text{EM}} \equiv \frac{4e^2 C}{f^2}$

# The Result: NLO analytical terms

## Examples

$$\mathcal{O}_{u4}^P \equiv \langle \Sigma Q \Sigma^\dagger \xi_5 Q \xi_5 \rangle + \langle \Sigma \xi_5 Q \xi_5 \Sigma^\dagger Q \rangle \propto a^2 q_{xy}^2$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{u14}^T \equiv \langle \Sigma Q \Sigma^\dagger Q \rangle \langle \Sigma \xi_{\mu\nu} \Sigma^\dagger \xi_{\nu\mu} \rangle \propto a^2 q_{xy}^2$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{m8}^V \equiv \langle \Sigma Q \Sigma^\dagger \xi_\mu \Sigma^\dagger Q \Sigma \xi_\mu \rangle \propto a^2 (q_x^2 + q_y^2)$$

All reduce to

$$\propto a^2 q_{xy}^2 \quad \text{and} \quad a^2 (q_x^2 + q_y^2)$$

at tree level.

No  $a^2 \bar{Q}_2$  term.

$$M_{\pi^0}^2 \quad \text{vs.} \quad M_{\pi'}^2$$

- The true  $\pi^0$  is a  $\bar{u}u - \bar{d}d$  state.
  - There are EM disconnected-diagram contributions to its mass even for  $m_u = m_d$ .
  - This is difficult to simulate.
- Instead, we simulate a meson created from distinct, mass-degenerate, light quarks and anti-quarks with opposite electric charges.
  - We call this neutral meson the  $\pi'$ .

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# Summary



- Improved physics needs EM (lattice) ChiPT
- Mass splittings, or combinations like Dashen's, can be determined with quenched QED.
- The staggered calculation is done.
- Points to note:
  - $p^2 = -M^2$  yields substantial cancellations;
  - only  $a^2 q_{xy}^2$  and  $a^2 (q_x^2 + q_y^2)$  analytic terms;
  - $\pi^0$  vs  $\pi'$ .