

# Flavor dependence of the $S$ parameter in $SU(3)$ gauge theory

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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.

# Outline

- 1 The  $S$  parameter
- 2 Lattice methods (briefly)
- 3 (Preliminary) Analysis and results
- 4 Conclusions and outlook

# Motivation

What is the mechanism behind electroweak symmetry breaking?

$$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{em}$$

- Many possibilities: standard model, **technicolor**, etc.
- In the absence of direct detection  
exploit precision measurements of electroweak observables
- Consider vacuum polarization (oblique) corrections,  
parameterize effects of physics beyond the standard model

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$$\Pi_{XY}^{\mu\nu}(q) = \sum_x e^{iq \cdot x} \langle J_X^\mu(x) J_Y^\nu(0) \rangle = g^{\mu\nu} \Pi_{XY}^\perp(q^2) + (q^\mu q^\nu \text{ terms})$$

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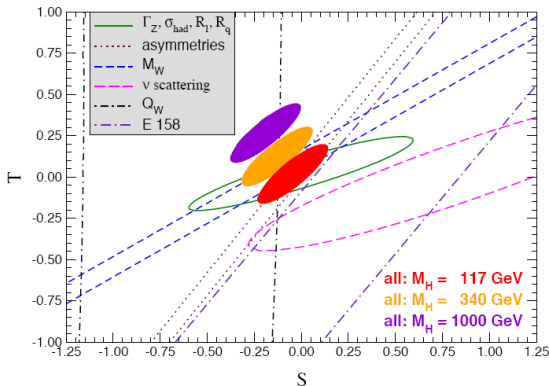
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# Experiments find $S \approx 0$

Extract  $S$  from global fit to experimental data for

- ▶  $Z$  decay partial widths and asymmetries
- ▶  $M_W/M_Z$
- ▶ Deep inelastic neutrino scattering
- ▶ Atomic parity violation

Result:  $S$  consistent with zero



(PDG)

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- 3 Parity doubling in walking/conformal theories reduces  $S$ ?

These arguments are widely used in model building  
but need to be investigated from first principles.

# S on the lattice

- Chiral symmetry is crucial  $\Rightarrow$  use domain wall fermions
- Explore dependence on  $N_f$  and  $N_c$ , starting from QCD  
 $SU(3)$  gauge theory; fundamental  $N_f = 2$  & 6; scales matched
- Exploratory calculations  $\Rightarrow$  short runs  $\lesssim 1000$  configurations  
300 million core hours on LLNL BG/L + USQCD clusters + NSF Teragrid  
 $32^3 \times 64$  lattices;  $L_s = 16$ ;  $0.005 \leq m_f \leq 0.03$

$$m_{res} = 2.59(1) \times 10^{-5} \text{ for } N_f = 2$$

$$m_{res} = 82.6(4) \times 10^{-5} \text{ for } N_f = 6$$

- Previous lattice calculations of S by

JLQCD Collaboration ( $N_f = 2$  overlap)

[PRL \*\*101\*\*, 242001 \(2008\) \[0806.4222\]](#)

RBC-UKQCD Collaboration ( $N_f = 2+1$  DWF)

[PRD \*\*81\*\*, 014504 \(2010\) \[0909.4931\]](#)

# Currents and correlators

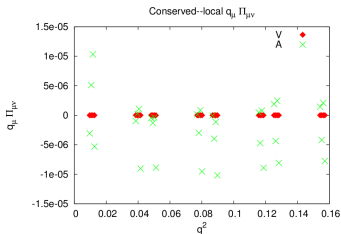
We measure

$$\Pi_{V-A}^{\mu\nu}(q) = \sum_x e^{iq \cdot x} [\langle \mathcal{V}^\mu(x) V^\nu(0) \rangle - \langle \mathcal{A}^\mu(x) A^\nu(0) \rangle]$$

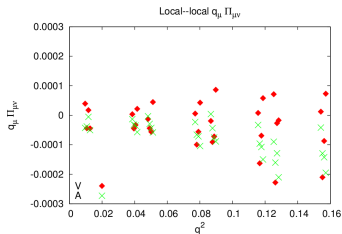
- $\mathcal{V}^\mu$  and  $\mathcal{A}^\mu$  are conserved domain wall currents  
(point-split, summed over the fifth dimension)
- $V^\nu$  and  $A^\nu$  are local currents defined on the domain walls
- **Conserved currents** ensure that lattice artifacts cancel,  
needed for clean signal RBC-UKQCD
- $\langle \mathcal{V}^\mu(x) \mathcal{V}^\nu(0) \rangle$  and  $\langle \mathcal{A}^\mu(x) \mathcal{A}^\nu(0) \rangle$  require  $\mathcal{O}(L_s)$  inversions
- Suffices to use  $\langle \mathcal{V}^\mu(x) V^\nu(0) \rangle$

# Ward identities and violations

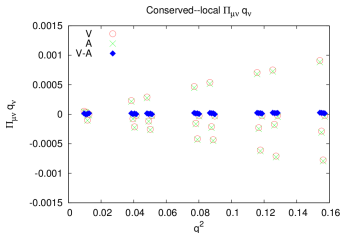
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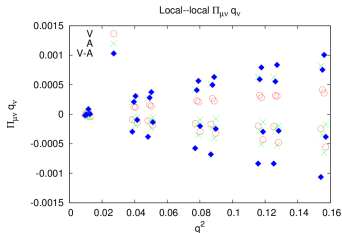
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$$[\sum_x e^{iq \cdot x} (\langle \mathcal{V}^\mu V^\nu \rangle - \langle \mathcal{A}^\mu \mathcal{A}^\nu \rangle)] \hat{q}_\nu \approx 0$$



$$[\sum_x e^{iq \cdot x} (\langle V^\mu V^\nu \rangle - \langle A^\mu A^\nu \rangle)] \hat{q}_\nu \neq 0$$

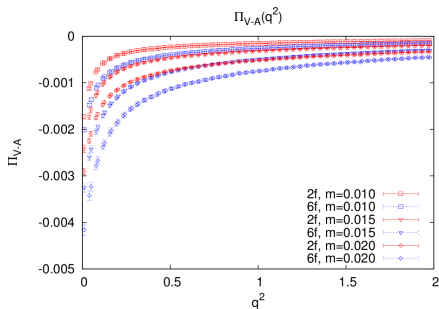
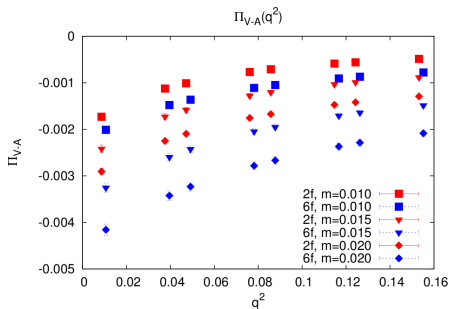


# Polarization function

We have information from both the correlators and the spectrum

$$\Pi_{V-A}^{\perp}(q^2) = -F_{\pi}^2 + \frac{q^2}{12\pi^2} \int_0^{\infty} ds \frac{\rho_V(s) - \rho_A(s)}{s + q^2}$$

$$S = 4\pi \frac{d}{dq^2} \left[ \Pi_{V-A}^{\perp}(q^2) \right]_{q^2=0}$$



What are the best ways to extract  $S$  from  $\Pi_{V-A}^{\perp}(q^2)$ ?

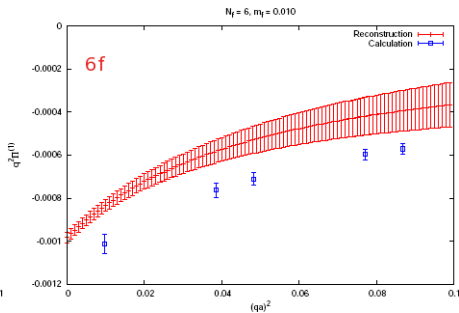
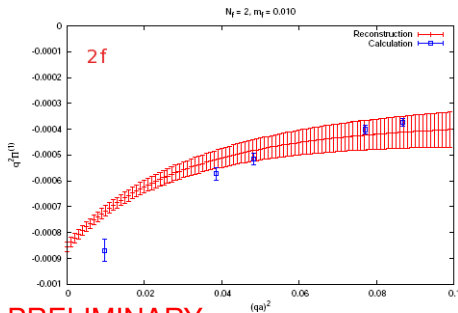
# Single-pole dominance model

$$\rho_A(s) = 12\pi^2 F_{a_1}^2 \delta(s - M_{a_1}^2)$$

$$\rho_V(s) = 12\pi^2 F_\rho^2 \delta(s - M_\rho^2)$$

$$\Pi_{V-A}^\perp(q^2) = -F_\pi^2 + q^2 \left( \frac{F_\rho}{M_\rho^2 + q^2} - \frac{F_{a_1}}{M_{a_1}^2 + q^2} \right)$$

- Reconstruct  $\Pi_{V-A}^\perp(q^2)$  using results summarized in previous talk
- Compare against direct calculation



PRELIMINARY

(Meifeng Lin)

## Chiral perturbation theory for $N_f = 2$

$$S = \frac{1}{12\pi} \left( \bar{\ell}_5 + \log \left[ \frac{m_\pi^2 \frac{v^2}{f_\pi^2}}{m_H^2} \right] - \frac{1}{6} \right)$$

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

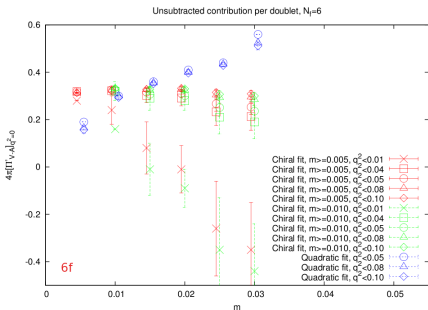
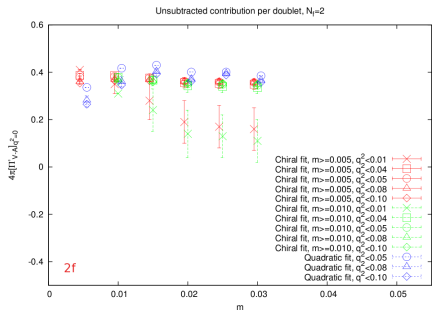
Gasser and Leutwyler, *Ann. Phys.* **158**, 142 (1984)

$$\Pi_{V-A}^\perp(q^2) = -F_\pi^2 + q^2 \left[ \frac{1}{24\pi^2} \left( \bar{\ell}_5 - \frac{1}{3} \right) + \frac{2}{3}(1+x)\bar{J}(x) \right]$$

$$\bar{J}(x) = \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \left( \sqrt{1+x} \log \left[ \frac{\sqrt{1+x}-1}{\sqrt{1+x}+1} \right] + 2 \right), \quad x \equiv 4M_\pi^2/q^2$$

- As discussed in previous talks, expect  $\chi$ PT marginal for  $N_f = 2$ ,  
inapplicable for  $N_f = 6$
- General- $N_f$  analog not yet known
- Must take only two flavors to the chiral limit,  
any others remain massive

# Comparing $N_f = 2$ and $N_f = 6$ VERY PRELIMINARY



- Compare contribution to  $S$  per electroweak doublet
- Don't yet subtract standard model contribution
- Fits with and without using  $\chi$ PT converge for smaller  $m_f$
- $\sim 25\%$  reduction when  $N_f$  increases from 2 to 6



# Conclusions and outlook

- We calculate  $S$  on the lattice using conserved DWF currents
- Preliminary results for  $N_f = 2$   
agree with expectations and previous studies
- Preliminary signs of reduction in contribution per doublet  
as  $N_f$  increases from 2 to 6.

## Next steps

- 1 Extracting final results and systematics from data presented above
- 2 Implementing twisted boundary conditions to explore smaller  $q^2$
- 3 Continue exploring how  $S$  varies with  $N_f, N_c$

Bonus slides!

# Conserved and local domain wall currents

Conserved currents:

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

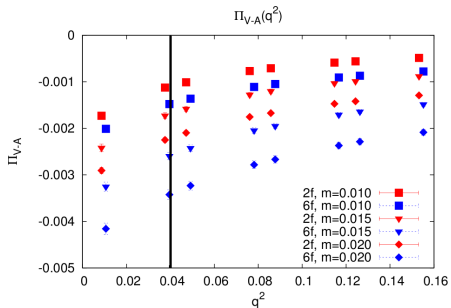
$$j^\mu(x, s) = \bar{\Psi}(x + \hat{\mu}, s) \frac{1 + \gamma^\mu}{2} U_{x,\mu}^\dagger \Psi(x, s) - \bar{\Psi}(x, s) \frac{1 - \gamma^\mu}{2} U_{x,\mu} \Psi(x + \hat{\mu}, s)$$

Local currents:

$$V^\mu(x) = \bar{q}(x) \gamma^\mu q(x) \qquad A^\mu(x) = \bar{q}(x) \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 q(x)$$

$$q(x) = P_L \Psi(x, 0) + P_R \Psi(x, L_s - 1)$$

$$m_\rho^2 = 0.04$$



Limited range of  $q^2$  for  $\chi$ PT