

Motivation

- Isospin symmetry broken by different masses and electric charges of up and down quarks \Rightarrow expect $O(1\%)$ systematic error [1].
- Recent lattice calculations with isosymmetric setting achieve precision of $O(1\%)$ in many observables [2] \Rightarrow investigation of isospin breaking effects becomes necessary.

Finite Volume QED

- Several attempts to define non-compact QED on finite spatial volume with periodic boundary conditions exist.
- Naive QED:
 - IR divergence in electromagnetic correction to pion mass \Rightarrow inconsistent theory [3].
- QED_{TL}:
 - Remove $p = 0$ mode \Rightarrow IR finite theory, but reflection positivity is violated.
 - Taking infinite time limit in fixed spatial volume \Rightarrow IR divergence reappears. Setting required for mass extraction [4].
- QED_L:
 - Remove $\vec{p} = 0$ modes \Rightarrow IR finite theory with reflection positivity [3,4].
 - Action in Feynman gauge:

$$\tilde{S}_\gamma^{(0)}[\tilde{A}] = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{A}_a \tilde{\Delta}_{ab} \tilde{A}_b \quad \tilde{\Delta}_{\mu\nu q\nu} = \hat{p}^2 \delta_{\mu\nu} \delta_{-p,q}$$

$$\tilde{A}_{p\mu} = 0 \text{ for } \vec{p} = 0 \quad \hat{p}^2 = 4 \sum_{\mu} \left(\sin \left(\frac{p_{\mu}}{2} \right) \right)^2$$

Rewighting and perturbative treatment of isospin breaking

- Reuse gauge configurations describing isosymmetric QCD (QCD_{iso}) generated according to

$$Z_g = \int DU \exp(-S_g^{(0)}[U]) Z_q^{(0)}[U]$$

\Rightarrow apply reweighting techniques [5,6,7].

- Express expectation values in QCD + QED in terms of expectation values in QCD_{iso}:

$$\langle O[U, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}] \rangle = \frac{\langle R[U] \langle O[U, \Psi, \bar{\Psi}] \rangle_{q,\gamma} \rangle_g}{\langle R[U] \rangle_g} \quad R[U] = \exp(-S_g^\Delta[U]) \frac{Z_{q,\gamma}[U]}{Z_q^{(0)}[U] Z_\gamma^{(0)}}.$$

- Reweighting factor $R[U]$ composed of partition function of QED in classical QCD background field

$$Z_{q,\gamma}[U] = \int DAD\Psi D\bar{\Psi} \exp(-S_\gamma[A] - \bar{\Psi}_a D[U, A]_{ab} \Psi_b)$$

and partition functions of respective free isosymmetric theories

$$Z_\gamma^{(0)} = \int DA \exp(-S_\gamma^{(0)}[A]) \quad Z_q^{(0)}[U] = \int D\Psi D\bar{\Psi} \exp(-\bar{\Psi}_a D^{(0)}[U]_{ab} \Psi_b).$$

- Isospin breaking now treated in perturbation theory around QCD_{iso}.
- Only leading order effects considered $\Rightarrow e^2$ does not renormalise, hence fixed to $e^2 = 4\pi\alpha$.

Feynman Rules

- Expand Wilson-Dirac Operator D of QCD + QED to leading order in $\Delta m_q = m_q - m_q^{(0)}$ with $q \in \{u, d, s, \dots\}$ and e^2 around $D^{(0)}$ [6,7]:

$$D[A]_{ab} = D_{ab}^{(0)} + a \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{c} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{b} \end{array} \right) + a \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{c}_2 \\ \text{---} \\ \text{b} \end{array} \right) + \frac{1}{2} a \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{c}_2 \\ \text{---} \\ \text{c}_1 \\ \text{---} \\ \text{b} \end{array} \right) A_{c_1} A_{c_2} + \dots$$

- Propagators defined by

$$(D^{(0)})_{ba}^{-1} = \text{b} \leftarrow \text{a} \quad \Delta_{c_2 c_1}^{-1} = \text{c}_2 \text{---} \text{c}_1$$

- Investigation of higher order isospin breaking effects \Rightarrow take higher order quark-photon vertices into account, however treatment of multiple photon propagators technically challenging.

Quark connected part of general mesonic 2pt function

- Neglect isospin breaking effects in sea quarks.
- Neglect contributions from disconnected diagrams.
- Consider only insertion of point-like interpolation operators.
- General mesonic 2pt function:

$$\langle \bar{\Psi}_a O_{2,ab} \Psi_b \bar{\Psi}_c O_{1,cd} \Psi_d \rangle = \left\langle \begin{array}{c} \text{diagrams} \end{array} \right\rangle$$

$$= C_{\text{iso}}^{(0)} + C_{\text{det1}}^{(1)} + C_{\text{det2}}^{(1)} + C_{\text{exch}}^{(1)} + C_{\text{tad1}}^{(1)} + C_{\text{tad2}}^{(1)} + C_{\text{bow1}}^{(1)} + C_{\text{bow2}}^{(1)}$$

- Point-split interpolation operators: additional diagrams have to be included due to perturbative expansion of gauge links.

Stochastic treatment of all-to-all photon propagators

- Calculation of all-to-all photon propagators infeasible on larger lattices \Rightarrow stochastic estimation of propagator [7].
- Generate real photon sources J according to \mathbb{Z}_2 -noise satisfying

$$\langle J_a J_b \rangle_J = \delta_{ab}$$

- Define propagated photon source $K[J]$ by

$$K[J]_b = \Delta_{bc}^{-1} J_c$$

- Full propagator is now stochastically estimated by

$$\langle K[J]_b J_a \rangle_J = \Delta_{bc}^{-1} \langle J_c J_a \rangle_J = \Delta_{ba}^{-1}$$

- Explicit inversion of differential operator Δ in Fourier representation \Rightarrow propagated source given by

$$K[J]_{x\mu} = \frac{1}{V_\Lambda} \sum_{p \in \Lambda, \vec{p} \neq 0} \frac{\exp(ip \cdot (x - y))}{p^2} J_{y\mu}$$

Lattice ensemble

- Initial exploratory study on CLS 2-flavour lattice E5 [8].
- Two degenerate dynamical light quark flavours, $O(a)$ improved Wilson fermions, (anti-)periodic boundary conditions.
- Lattice parameters [8,9]:

$T \times L^3$	β	κ_1	κ_s	κ_c	a [fm]	m_π [MeV]
64×32^3	5.30	0.13625	0.135802302	0.12724	0.0658	437

Fitting correlation functions

- Investigation of pseudo-scalar meson channel with point-like interpolation operators.
- Isosymmetric contributions fitted with

$$C_{\text{iso}}^{(0)}(t) = a_{\text{iso}}^{(0)} \cosh \left(m_{\text{iso}}^{(0)} \left(\frac{T}{2} - t \right) \right).$$

- For first-order contributions each diagram fitted individually with ratio [6,7]

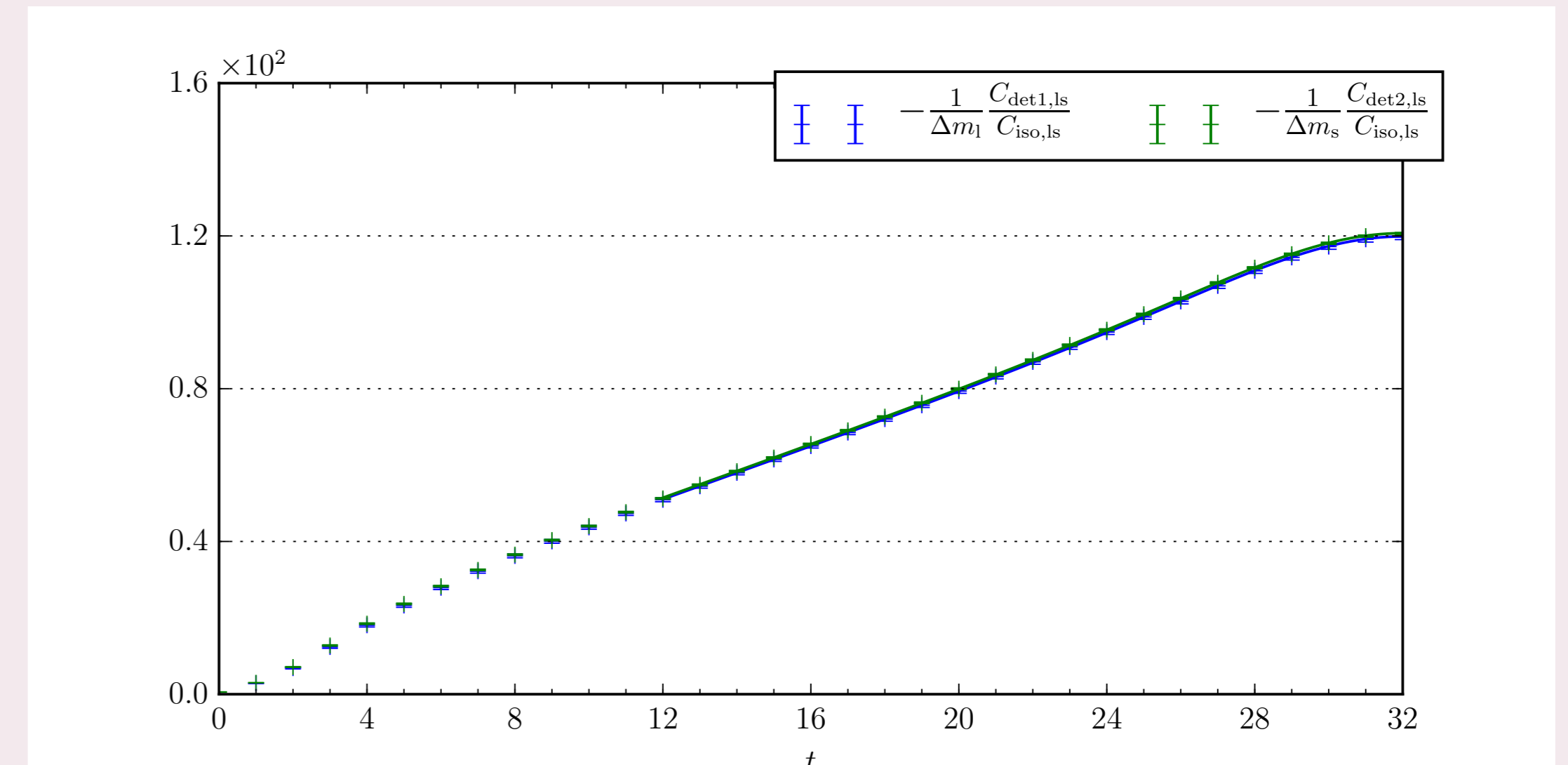
$$\frac{C_{\text{diag}}^{(1)}(t)}{C_{\text{iso}}^{(0)}(t)} = \frac{a_{\text{diag}}^{(1)}}{a_{\text{iso}}^{(0)}} + m_{\text{diag}}^{(1)} \left(\frac{T}{2} - t \right) \tanh \left(m_{\text{iso}}^{(0)} \left(\frac{T}{2} - t \right) \right).$$

- Final mass given by sum of all contributions:

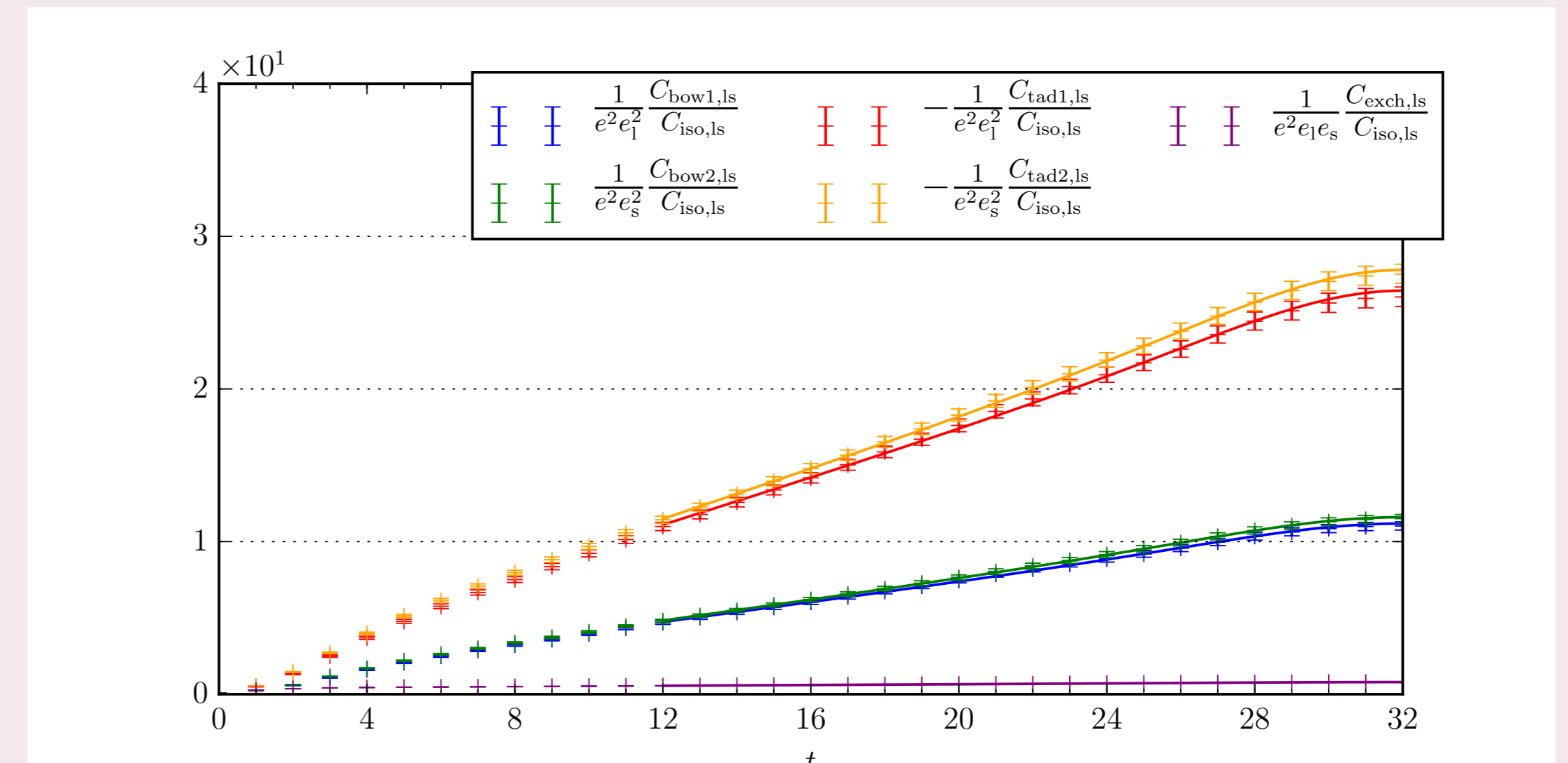
$$m = m_{\text{iso}}^{(0)} + \sum_{\text{diag}} m_{\text{diag}}^{(1)}$$

Pseudo-scalar correlation functions

- Statistics: 1000 gauge configurations, 2 point quark sources per gauge configuration, 8 stochastic photon sources per quark source and gauge configuration.
- Pseudo-scalar light-strange channel:
 - Contributions due to explicit quark mass detuning:



- Contributions due to electromagnetic interaction:



Pseudo-scalar meson masses

- Preliminary results for pseudo-scalar meson masses in lattice units:

$$m_{\pi^+} - m_{\pi^0} = 0.00063(4)(1)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(m_{\pi^+} + m_{\pi^0}) = 0.1456(5)(70) + (\Delta m_u + \Delta m_d) \cdot 4.67(4)(7) + 0.0319(11)(34)$$

$$m_{K^+} - m_{K^0} = (\Delta m_u - \Delta m_d) \cdot 3.444(27)(44) + 0.0140(4)(10)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(m_{K^+} + m_{K^0}) = 0.1934(4)(8) + (\Delta m_u + \Delta m_d) \cdot 1.722(14)(22) + \Delta m_s \cdot 3.467(10)(16) + 0.0163(5)(15)$$

- Pion mass splitting is pure first-order electro-magnetic effect \Rightarrow use isosymmetric scale to convert to physical units [7]:

$$m_{\pi^+} - m_{\pi^0} = 1.90(11)(3) \text{ MeV}$$

- Experimentally determined value: 4.5936(5) MeV [10].

- Result still unphysical:

- Neglected diagrams.
- No physical pion mass (437 MeV).
- No finite volume corrections, believed to be large due to long-range electromagnetic interactions.
- No continuum limit.

Future work

- Noise reduction by usage of spin-diluted photon sources as well as a symmetric formulation [11].
- Dependence on choice of photon gauges.
- 2 + 1 flavour ensembles with open boundary conditions \Rightarrow adaptation of photon propagator required.
- Isospin breaking effects in $g = 2$.

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