

# The $\eta'$ meson at the physical point with $N_f = 2$ Wilson twisted mass fermions

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## Motivation

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- $U(1)$  axial anomaly thought to be responsible for large  $\eta'$  mass

$$\partial^\mu J_{\mu 5}^q = 2m_q(\bar{q}i\gamma_5 q) + \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} F\tilde{F}$$

- tightly connected to topology
  - results at physical pion mass missing so far
  - how do errors scale towards the physical point?
  - $N_f = 2$  technically easier: no mixing of  $\eta$ - $\eta'$
  - test bed for e.g.  $\eta' \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma^*$
- ⇒ relevant for HLbL contribution to  $g - 2$  of the muon

## Status $\eta$ and $\eta'$ Mesons

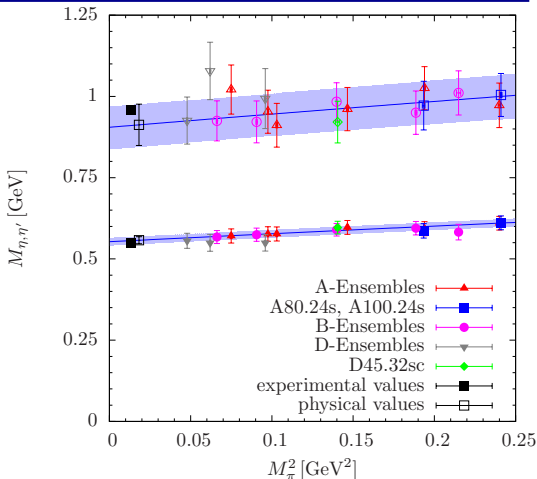
- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  computation with three values of the lattice spacing

[Michael, Ottnad, CU, PRL (2013)]

- here: updated results

[Ottnad, Urbach, to be published]

- extrapolations including lattice artefacts and quark mass effects (ChPT reliable?)



- long extrapolation from  $M_{\pi} \sim 250$  MeV
- decay constants available as well

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- Iwasaki gauge action at  $\beta = 2.10$
- $N_f = 2$  Wilson twisted-mass clover ensembles  
[ETMC, LAT15 (2015), ETMC PRD (2017)]
- maximal twist guarantees  $\mathcal{O}(a)$  improvement  
[Frezzotti, Rossi, (2004)]
- clover term introduced to reduce pion mass splitting
- single lattice spacing  $a \sim 0.9$  fm,  $r_0/a = 5.317$
- three pion mass values from 130 MeV to 350 MeV
- two volumes per pion mass value from  $L/a = 24$  to  $L/a = 64$
- stochastic Laplacian Heaviside for correlators  
[HSC, Peardon et al., PRD (2009), Morningstar et al., PRD (2011)]
- blocked bootstrap statistics

## Pion Mass Splitting

- previously: large pion mass splitting in tmLQCD
- simulations @  $M_\pi^{\text{phys}}$  only at tiny lattice spacing possible

- added clover term to action
- clover coefficient set to its non-perturbative value

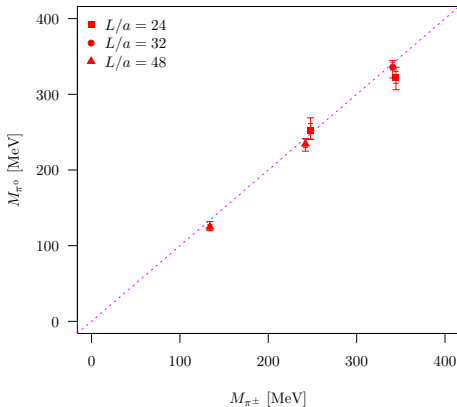
$$c_{\text{SW}} = 1.57551$$

[CP-PACS, JLQCD, (2006)]

⇒ mass splitting zero within errors

- $c_{\text{SW}}$ -value also compatible with boosted PT

$$c_{\text{SW}} = 1 + \frac{g_0^2}{2\langle P \rangle}$$



## The $\eta'$ in $N_f = 2$ flavour QCD

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- $N_f = 2$  light pseudo scalar mesons: a pion triplet and the  $\eta_2$
- pions: (pseudo) GOLDSTONE bosons
- $\eta_2$ : related to the  $U(1)$  axial anomaly, i.e. the  $\eta'$  for  $N_f > 2$
- correlation function

$$C_{\eta_2}(t-t') = \langle \mathcal{O}^s(t) (\mathcal{O}^s(t'))^\dagger \rangle, \quad \mathcal{O}^s(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} \bar{\psi} i\gamma_5 \mathbb{1}_f \psi(\mathbf{x}, t).$$

⇒ fermionic connected and disconnected contributions

- delicate cancellation and difficult statistical analysis

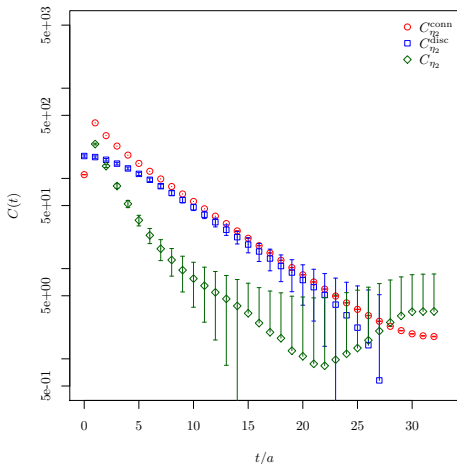
$$C_{\eta_2} = C_{\eta_2}^{\text{conn}} - C_{\eta_2}^{\text{disc}}$$

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- delicate cancellation
- $C(t) \geq 0$  required by theory

$$\Rightarrow C_{\eta_2}^{\text{disc}} \leq C_{\eta_2}^{\text{conn}}$$

- signal lost early in time
- $M_\pi \approx 340$  MeV
- $L/a = 32$



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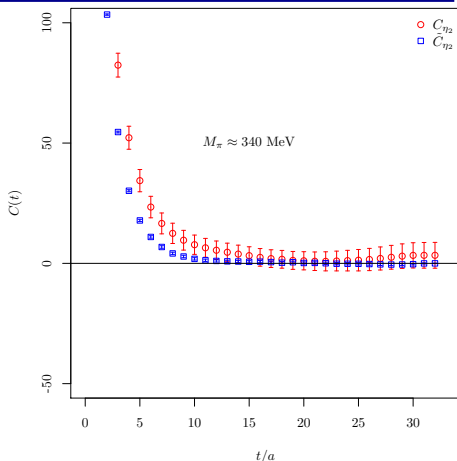
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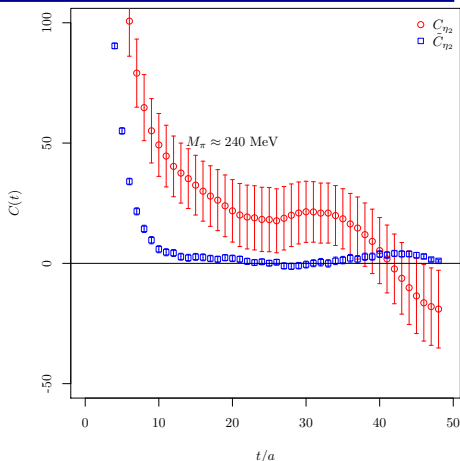
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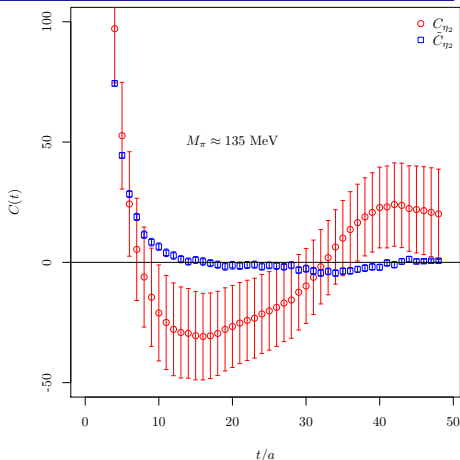
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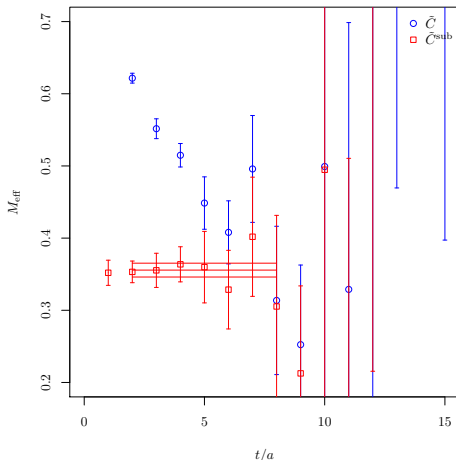
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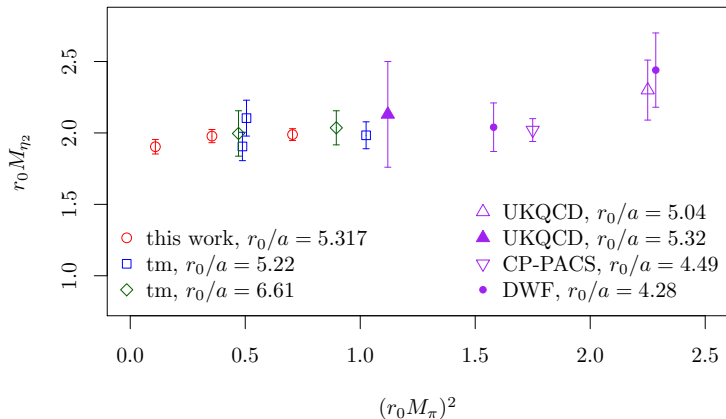
- signal lost early in time
- assume disconnected contribute only to ground state
- subtract excited states from connected part

[Neff et al. (2001), K.Jansen, C.Michael, C.U. (2008)]

- analyse subtracted connected plus disconnected correlation function  $\tilde{C}^{\text{sub}}$

⇒ plateau very early in time!





- with  $r_0 = 0.4907(5)$  fm we arrive at

$$M_{\eta_2}^{N_f=2} = 768(24) \text{ MeV}$$

## Results Topological Susceptibility

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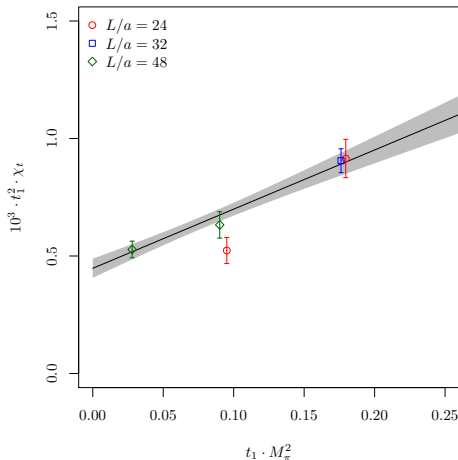
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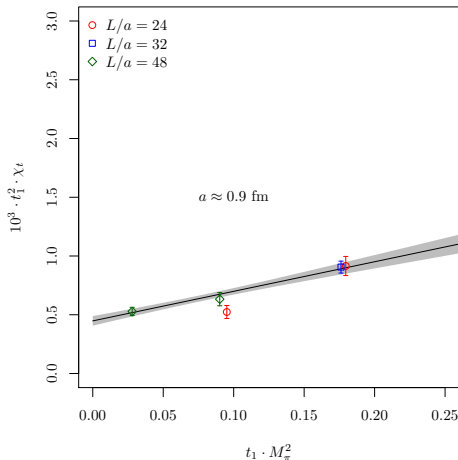
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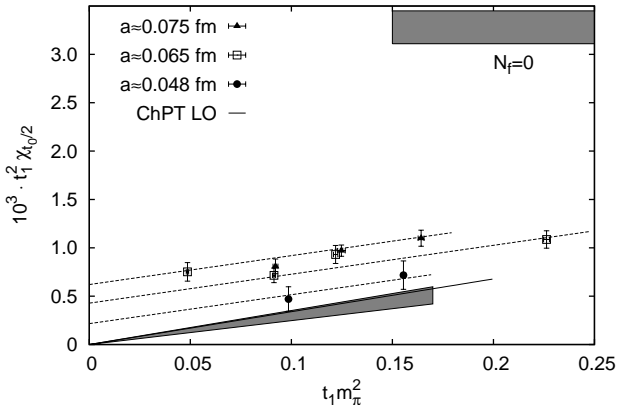
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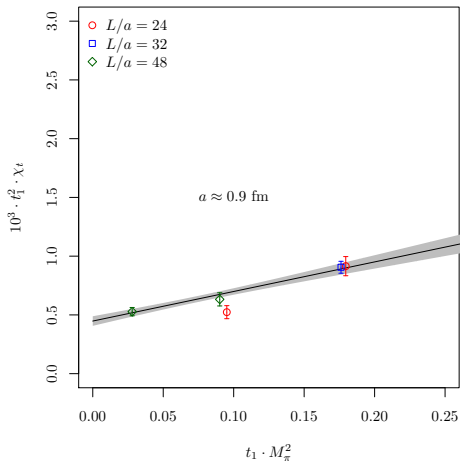
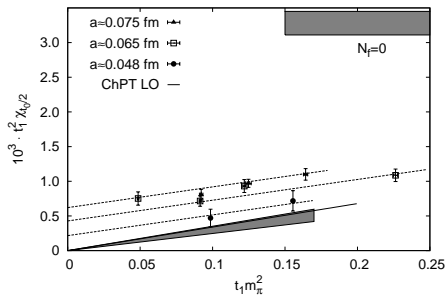


## Comparison $N_f = 2$ Topological Susceptibility



- but not unseen large [ALPHA, JHEP (2014)]

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- note the lattice spacing values!



## Summary

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- investigated  $N_f = 2$   $\eta'$  meson @  $M_\pi^{\text{phys}}$
- previous extrapolations are confirmed
- use of shifted correlation functions important
- determined topological susceptibility @  $M_\pi^{\text{phys}}$
- expected pion mass scaling plus  $\mathcal{O}(a^2)$

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