

Lattice studies of the conformal window

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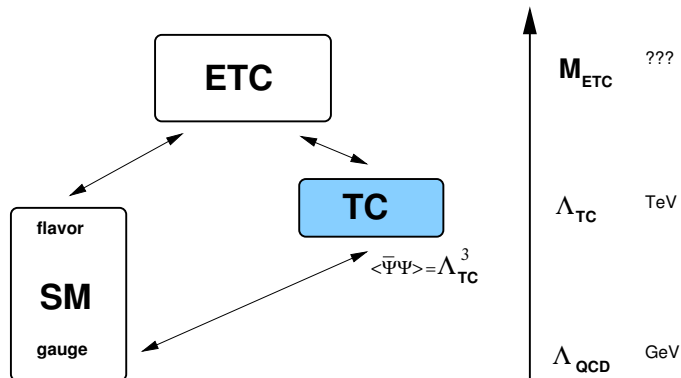
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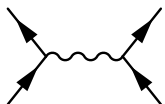
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Introduction

Technicolor models



- ETC: mass term for the SM fermions, FCNC



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$$\Delta\mathcal{L} \propto \frac{1}{M_{\text{ETC}}^2} \langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle_{\text{ETC}} \bar{\psi}\psi, \quad \frac{1}{M_{\text{ETC}}^2} \bar{\psi}\psi \bar{\psi}\psi$$

- running of $\langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle$: **(near) conformal IR behaviour**

$$\langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle_{\text{ETC}} = \langle \bar{\Psi}\Psi \rangle_{\text{TC}} \exp\left(\int_{\Lambda_{\text{TC}}}^{M_{\text{ETC}}} \frac{d\mu}{\mu} \gamma(\mu)\right)$$

[holdom, lane, appelquist, luty, sannino, chivukula,...]

Introduction

Infrared fixed points

[Banks & Zaks 82]

$$\beta(\bar{g}) = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \bar{g}(\mu) = -\beta_0 \bar{g}^3 - \beta_1 \bar{g}^5 + O(\bar{g}^7)$$

$\beta_0 > 0 \implies$ asymptotic freedom, $n_f < n_f^{\text{af}}$

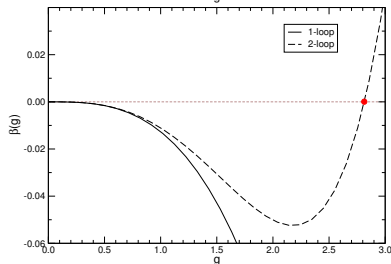
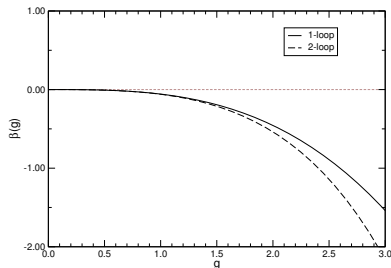
$\beta(\bar{g}) < 0 \implies$ confining theories

$\beta(\bar{g}^*) = 0 \implies$ **IR fixed point**

conformal window: IR zero of the β function

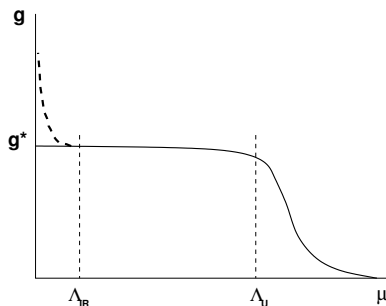
$$n_f^c < n_f < n_f^{\text{af}}$$

	$(4\pi)^2 \beta_0$	$(4\pi)^4 \beta_1$
SU(3), $n_f = 3$ fund	9	64
SU(3), $n_f = 12$ fund	3	-50
SU(2), $n_f = 2$ adj	2	-40



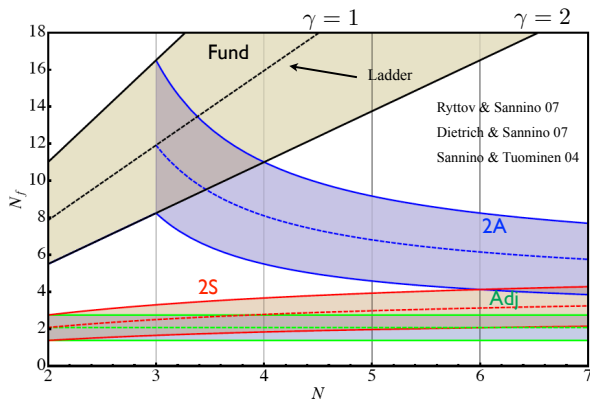
Introduction

The scales of an IRFP



- asymptotic freedom at high-energy scale Λ_{UV}
- scale invariance at large distances \implies no massive spectrum
- large-distance dynamics: anomalous dimensions at the IRFP
- nonperturbative IRFP: strong coupling, large anomalous dimensions
- scale invariance explicitly broken by a mass term/finite volume

SU(N) Phase Diagram



Action with a cutoff μ : $S(g_i) = \sum_i g_i \mu^{4-d_i} O_i$

RG transformation: $\mu \mapsto \mu' = \mu/b$ – **at constant physics**

$$g'_i = R_i(g)$$

\hookrightarrow flow in the (infinite-dimensional) parameter space.

Fixed point:

$$g_i^* = R_i(g^*)$$

In the vicinity of the fixed point:

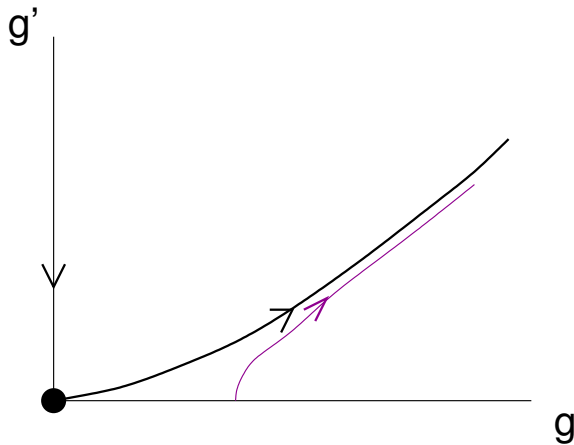
$$\delta g'_i = \left. \frac{\partial R_i}{\partial g_k} \right|_* \delta g_k$$

$$v'_i = b^{y_i} v_i$$

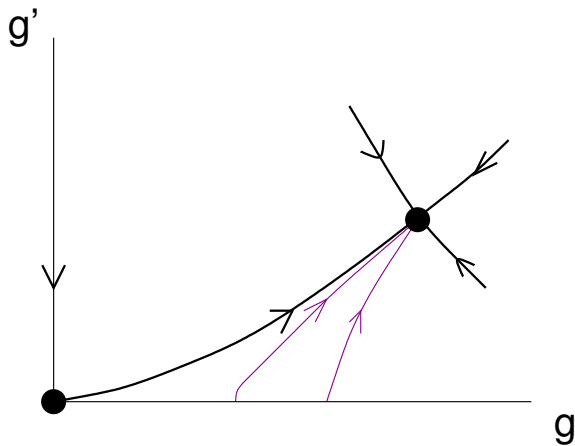
y_i **characterize the fixed point**

$y_i > 0$ relevant parameters

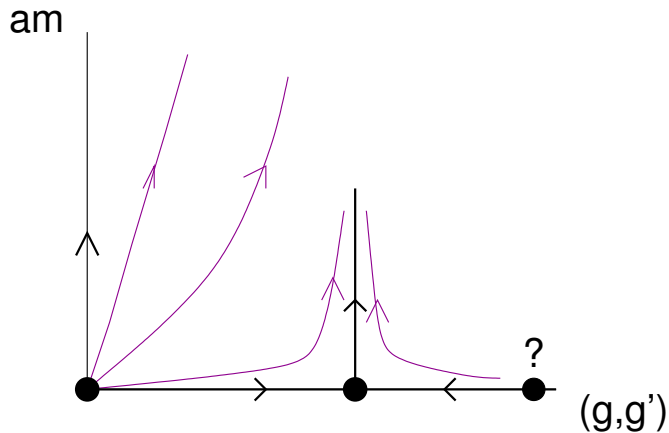
YM theory - g lattice bare coupling, g' space of irrelevant couplings



flow in the $m = 0$ plane - assuming only the mass is relevant in the IR



flow in the presence of a mass deformation



Scaling laws

Meson spectrum

[luty 09, degrand09, ldd&zwicky 10]

$$\begin{aligned} C_H(t; g, m, \mu) &= \int d^3x \langle H(x, t) H(0)^\dagger \rangle \\ &\sim F_H^2 e^{-M_H t} \end{aligned}$$

RG transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_H(\mu)^2 C_H(t; g, m, \mu) &= Z_H(\mu')^2 C_H(t; g', m', \mu') \\ C_H(t; g, m, \mu) &= b^{-2\gamma_H} C_H(t; b^{y_g} g, b^{y_m} m, \mu') \end{aligned}$$

naive dimensional analysis:

$$C_H(t; b^{y_g} g, b^{y_m} m, \mu') = b^{-2d_H} C_H(tb^{-1}; b^{y_g} g, b^{y_m} m, \mu')$$

choosing b such that $b^{y_m} m = 1$:

$$C_H(t; g, m, \mu) = m^{2\Delta_H/y_m} \mathcal{F}(tm^{1/y_m}), \quad \Delta_H = d_H + \gamma_H$$

$$M_H \sim m^{1/(1+\gamma_*)}$$

Scaling laws

Scaling of matrix elements

[Idd&zwicky 10]

$$T_{\phi_1 O \phi_2}(g, m, \mu) = \langle \phi_1 | O | \phi_2 \rangle_{g, m, \mu}$$

RG transformation:

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\phi_1 O \phi_2}(g, m, \mu) &= b^{-\gamma_O} T_{\phi_1 O \phi_2}(g', m', \mu') \\ &= b^{-\gamma_O} T_{\phi_1 O \phi_2}(b^{y_g} g, b^{y_m} m, \mu/b) \end{aligned}$$

naive dimensional analysis:

$$T_{\phi_1 O \phi_2}(b^{y_g} g, b^{y_m} m, \mu/b) = b^{-d_O + d_1 + d_2} T_{\phi_1 O \phi_2}(b^{y_m} m, \mu)$$

choosing b such that $b^{y_m} m = 1$

$$T_{\phi_1 O \phi_2}(g, m, \mu) \sim m^{(\Delta_O + d_1 + d_2)/y_m}$$

Scaling laws

Scaling from the trace anomaly

trace anomaly

$$\theta_\alpha^\alpha = \frac{\beta}{2} G^2 + n_f(1 + \gamma_m) m \bar{q} q$$

matrix elements of the energy-momentum tensor

$$\langle H(p) | \theta_{\alpha\beta} | H(p) \rangle = 2p_\alpha p_\beta$$

hence we can write the trace at the fixed point

$$2M_H^2 = n_f(1 + \gamma_m) \langle H(p) | m \bar{q} q | H(p) \rangle$$

using the scaling law for the matrix element

$$M_H \sim m^{1/y_m}$$

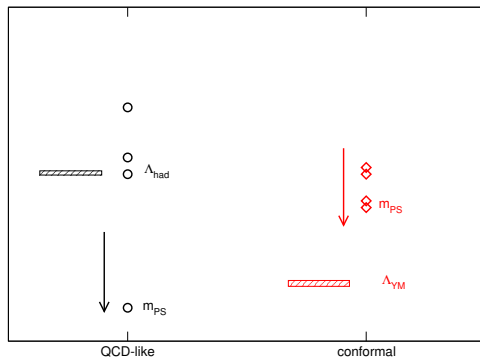
Scaling laws

Conformal spectrum

In the presence of a mass deformation (and infinite volume)

- no parametric separation between the PS and the other channels
- all masses/decay constants scale like m^{1/y_m} (but $M \sim F(0)/L$!!)

↪ very different spectrum from a QCD-like theory [Miransky 94]

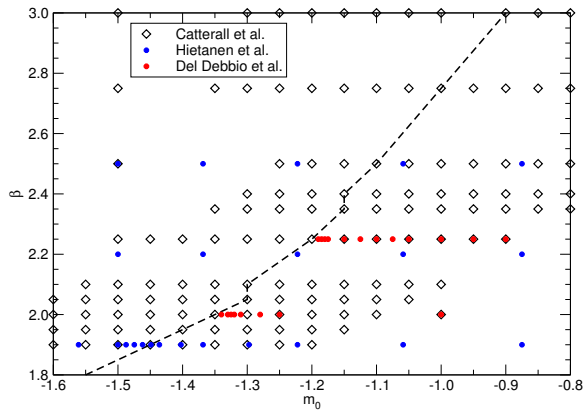


SU(2) adjoint

Exploring the chiral regime of MWT

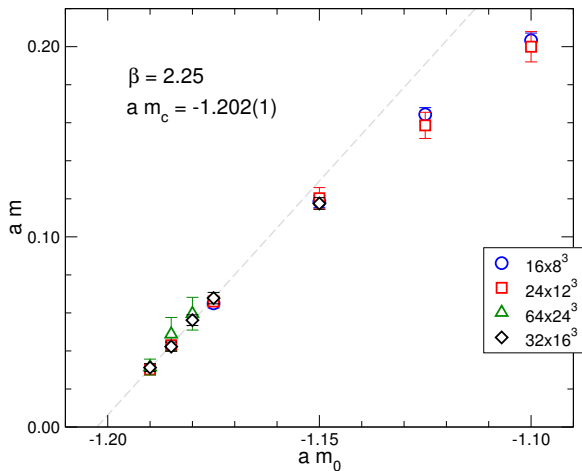
[catterall et al 07, Idd et al 08/10, rummukainen et al 08]

MC simulations with $n_f = 2$ Wilson fermions



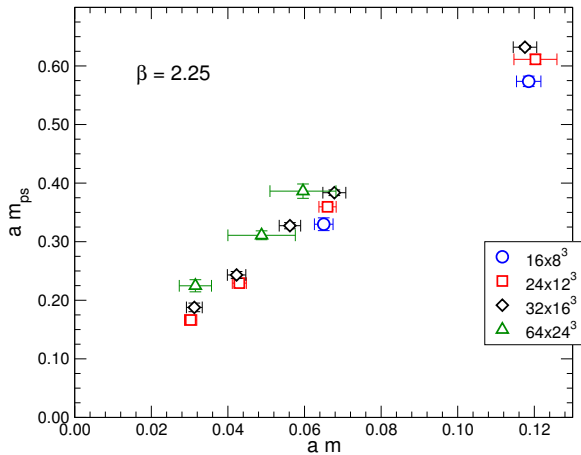
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Chiral limit



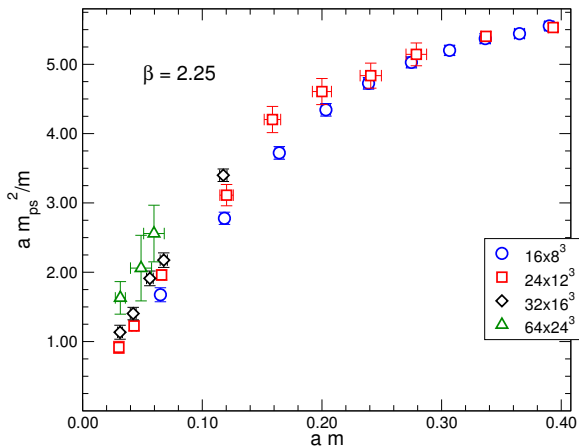
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Pseudoscalar mass - 1



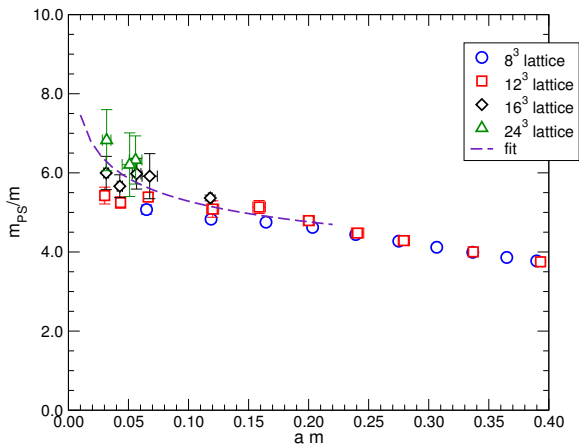
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Pseudoscalar mass - 2



SU(2) adjoint

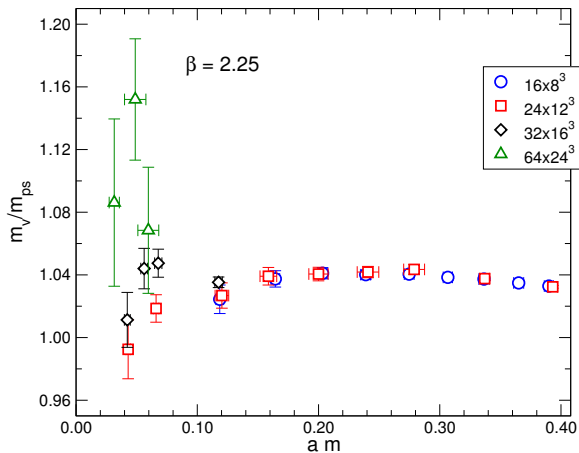
Pseudoscalar mass - 3



$$\log m_{PS} = \frac{1}{1 + \gamma} \log m + C = \mathbf{0.85} \log m + C$$

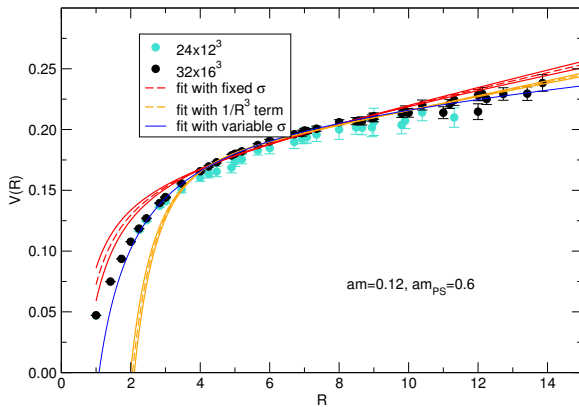
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Vector mass



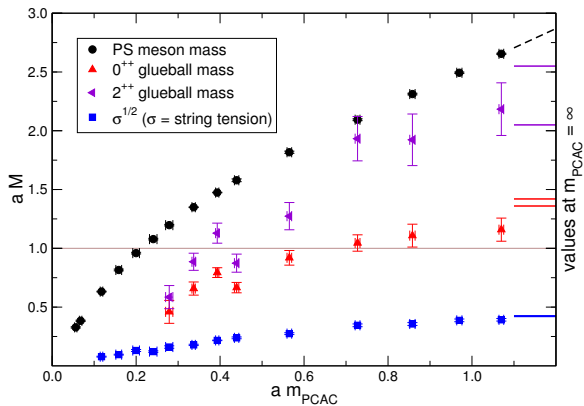
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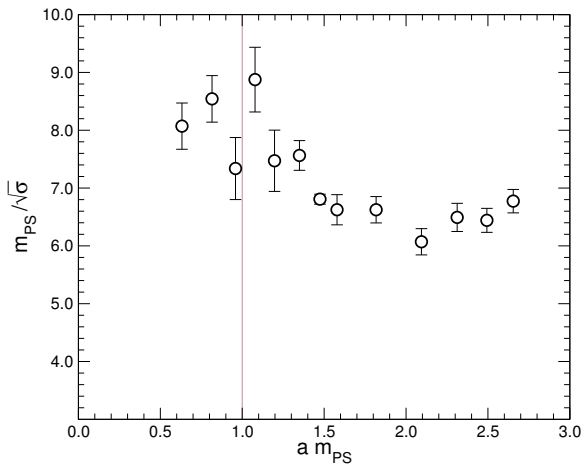
Gluonic sector - 1



SU(2) adjoint

Gluonic sector - 2





RG transformation

$$C_H(t; \hat{m}, L, \mu) = b^{-2\gamma_H} C_H(t; \hat{m}', L, \mu'),$$

naive dimensional analysis

$$C_H(t; \hat{m}, L, \mu) = b^{-2(d_H + \gamma_H)} C_H(b^{-1}t; b^{y_m} \hat{m}, b^{-1}L, \mu).$$

choosing b such that $b^{-1}L = L_0$

$$C_H(t; \hat{m}, L, \mu) = \left(\frac{L}{L_0}\right)^{-2\Delta_H} C_H\left(\frac{t}{L/L_0}; x \frac{1}{\mu L_0^{y_m}}, L_0, \mu\right),$$

where the scaling variable is $x = L^{y_m} m$.

$$M_H = L^{-1} f(x),$$

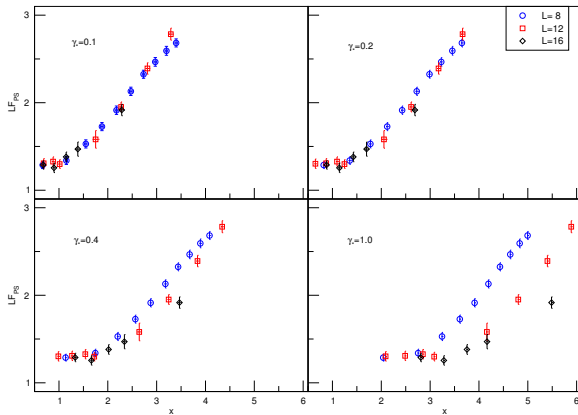
$f(x) \rightarrow 0$ when $x \rightarrow 0$

m scaling in the thermodynamic limit

$$f(x) \sim x^{1/y_m}, \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

SU(2) adjoint

Finite-size scaling



Scaling laws

Scaling of the chiral condensate

RG analysis

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \sim m^{\eta_{\bar{q}q}}$$

where

$$\eta_{\bar{q}q} = \frac{\Delta_{\bar{q}q}}{y_m} = \frac{3 - \gamma_*}{1 + \gamma_*}$$

relation to the eigenvalue density

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle = -2 \int_0^{\mu/m} dx \frac{\rho(mx)}{1+x^2} + \mathcal{A}(m),$$

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \stackrel{m \rightarrow 0}{\sim} m^{\eta_{\bar{q}q}} \Leftrightarrow \rho(\lambda) \stackrel{\lambda \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \lambda^{\eta_{\bar{q}q}}.$$

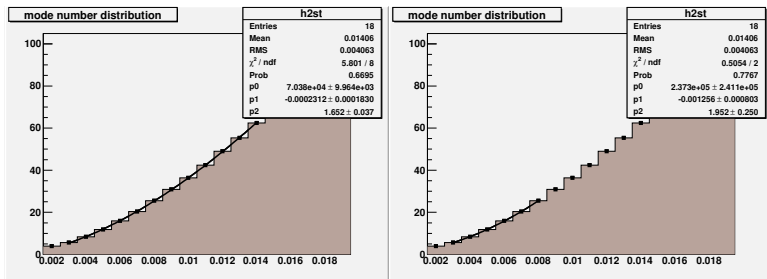
This in turn implies:

$$\eta_{\bar{q}q}|_{\text{QCD-like}} = 0, \quad \eta_{\bar{q}q}|_{\text{mCGT}} > 0,$$

SU(2) adjoint

scaling of the eigenvalues

$$\nu(M, m) = \int_{-\Lambda}^{+\Lambda} d\lambda \rho(\lambda), \quad \Lambda = \sqrt{M^2 - m^2}$$
$$\nu(\Lambda, 0) = C(\Lambda - g)^{\eta_{\bar{q}q} + 1}$$



Schrödinger functional [ALPHA collaboration]

$$Z[\eta] = e^{-\Gamma[\eta]} = \int_{L \times L^3} \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{D}\psi \mathcal{D}\bar{\psi} \exp(-S[U, \psi, \bar{\psi}])$$

Dirichlet boundary conditions at $t = 0, L$, dependent on η

$$\frac{k}{\bar{g}^2(L)} = \left. \frac{\partial \Gamma}{\partial \eta} \right|_{\eta=0}, \quad \bar{g}^2 = g_0^2 + O(g_0^4)$$

Lattice step scaling function

$$\Sigma(u, a/L) = \bar{g}^2(bL) \Big|_{\bar{g}^2(L)=u, m=0}$$

Step scaling function

$$\sigma(u) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \Sigma(u, a/L)$$

fixed point:

$$\sigma(u^*) = u^*$$

Definition of the renormalized mass

$$\partial_\mu(A_R)_\mu = 2\bar{m}P_R$$

$$(A_R)_\mu(x) = Z_A \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \psi(x)$$

$$(P_R)(x) = Z_P \bar{\psi}(x) \gamma_5 \psi(x)$$

Lattice step scaling function

$$Z_P(g_0, L/a) = c \frac{\sqrt{3f_1}}{f_P(L/2)}$$

$$\Sigma_P(u, a/L) = \frac{Z_P(g_0, bL/a)}{Z_P(g_0, L/a)}, \quad \bar{g}^2(L) = u$$

Step scaling function

$$\sigma_P(u) = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \Sigma_P(u, a/L)$$

- existence of the IRFP is scheme-independent

$$\beta(\bar{g}) = \mu \frac{d}{d\mu} \bar{g}(\mu)$$

change of scheme: $\bar{g}' = \Phi(\bar{g})$, $\Phi'(\bar{g}) > 0$

$$\beta'(\bar{g}') = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{g}} \Phi(\bar{g}) \beta(\bar{g})$$

universality of the first two coefficients

- β -function away from IRFP is not universal!

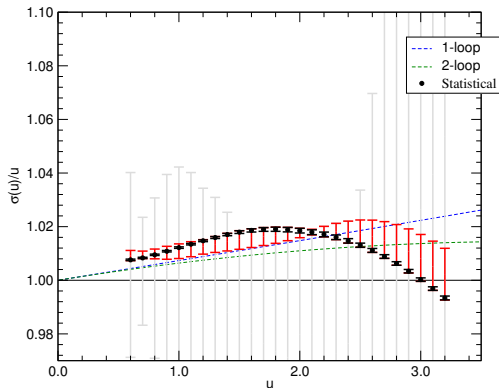
- $\bar{m}' = \bar{m} F(\bar{g})$

$$\gamma' = \gamma + \beta \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{g}} \log F$$

Schrödinger functional

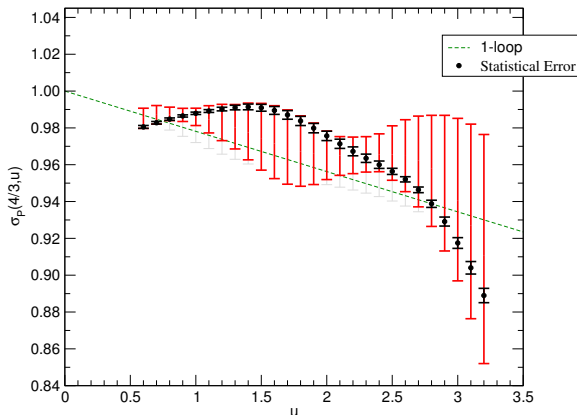
SU(2) adjoint

$n_f = 2$ Wilson, Schrödinger functional coupling [Hietanen et al 08, Bursa et al 09]



$$\Delta(L_1, L_2) = 1/g^2(L_2) - 1/g^2(L_1)$$

$n_f = 2$ Wilson, Schrödinger functional mass [Bursa et al 09]



$$\log |\sigma_P(u, b)| = -\gamma \log b \implies 0.05 < \gamma < 0.56$$

- tools have been developed and tested - keep looking for better tools
- preliminary results need to be put on solid ground
 - benchmark codes/analysis
 - control systematics: small masses & large volumes
 - improved actions
- all methods have systematics
more confident when different approaches yield consistent results
- anomalous dimensions are small
- SU(2) adjoint evidence for conformality
- deformations away from conformality
 - $n_f < n_f^c$
 - mass deformation
 - 4fermi interactions
- lattice results to be taken into account for model building
- talk to phenomenologists!