Strong coupling limit of lattice QCD with many staggered quarks

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Outline







Conformal theory and LGT

• how can we see a interacting conformal theory on lattices (with moderate resources)?

• Ising model at criticality: power-law correlation functions

$$H = -\kappa \sum_{\vec{x},i} \sigma(\vec{x}) \sigma(\vec{x}+i) - h \sum_{\vec{x}} \sigma(\vec{x})$$
(1)
$$\langle \sigma(0)\sigma(r) \rangle \sim \frac{1}{r^{d-2+\eta}}$$
(2)

massless limit in finite lattice volume?

Conformal theory and LGT

• 3-dimensional Ising model at critical coupling ($K_c = 0.2216544$)



$$S = -rac{N_f}{4} \mathrm{Tr}\log(\not D + m) + \beta \sum_{\mu
eq \nu} [1 - P_{\mu\nu}]$$
 (1)
with $\beta = rac{6}{g^2}$

- Hybrid Monte Carlo (HMC) or Rational Hybrid Monte Carlo (RHMC)
- staggered quarks (exact $U(1) \times U(1)$ chiral symmetry with m = 0)
- analytic studies (e.g., A.S. Christensen et al, arXiv:1410.0541, E.T. Tomboulis, arXiv:1403.0664 and many earlier works)



• monte carlo evolution of chiral condensate ($\hat{N}_f = 12, 13$)



• monte carlo evolution of chiral condensate ($\hat{N}_f = 14, 15$)



• chiral condensate at $\beta = 0$



• hadron spectrum



• hadron spectrum $(1/L^{1/(1+\gamma^*)},\gamma^*\sim 1.0$ for $\hat{N}_f=14$ and ~ 0.4 for $\hat{N}_f=24)$



• torelon spectrum



• running of coupling constant defined as

$$g(L) = \frac{m_{\text{torelon}}(L)L}{2\sqrt{\frac{N_c}{3} + \frac{N_f}{6}}}$$
(1)



(line is for $1/L^2$)

• Dirac eigenvalue spectrum



• Dirac eigenvalue vs. lattice size



 $\gamma^*\sim 0.26 (\hat{N}_f=14), \quad \gamma^*\sim 0.38 (\hat{N}_f=24)$

Conclusion

• at $\beta = 0$ with $\hat{N}_f = 14$, we found a phase which is connected to $\beta \sim \infty$, large N_f

• this phase is chirally symmetric and a zero mass limit can be studied as *L* is changed

• our study suggests an interacting conformal limit

• but it is still difficult to get a consistent scaling picture for various dimensional quantities (hadron mass, torelon, Dirac eigen-value spectrum vs. L) with moderate L(= 12) we studied

strong coupling limit of QCD is an interesting test grounds for various ideas