

Sakata Memorial KMI Mini-Workshop on  
"Strong Coupling Gauge Theories Beyond the Standard Model"  
(SCGT14Mini)

# *How many scales in many-flavor QCD ?*

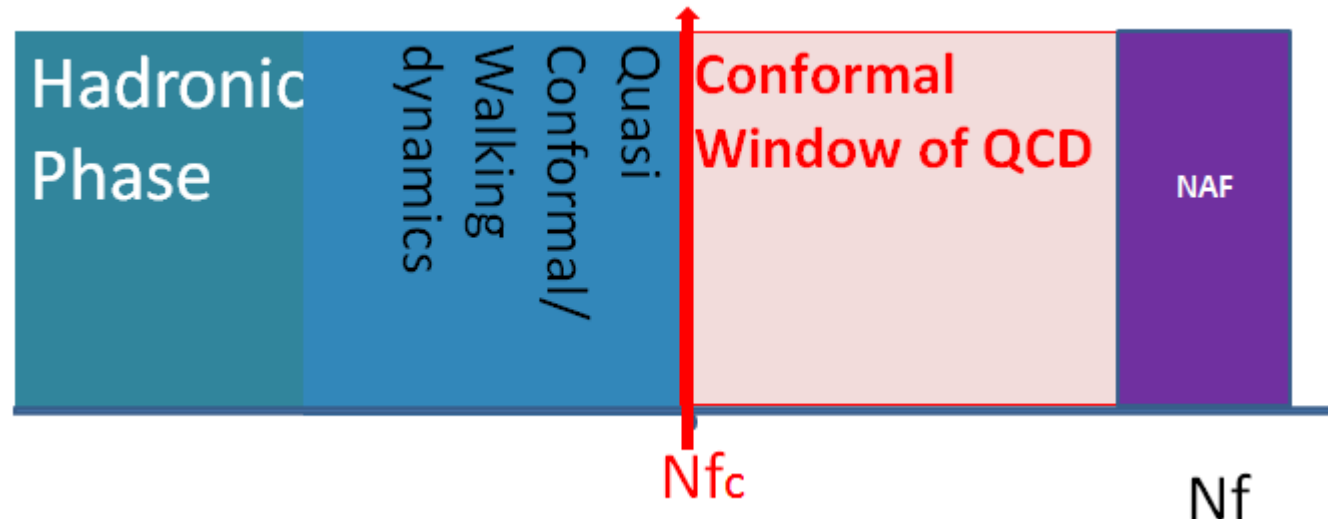
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We study  $N_c=3$ ,  
Fundamental fermions :



$N_f = 0$  --  
 $N_f = 4$  --  
 $N_f = 6$  --  
 $N_f = 8$  --  
 $N_f = 12$  --  
 $N_f = 16$  --

At zero and non-zero temperature.

MpL,KM,TndS,EP : work in progress  
Talk by KM at Lat2013  
Talk by TndS at Lat2013<sup>2</sup>  
KM,MpL **Nuclear Physics B 871 (2013)**

# From UV to IR

$$\Lambda_{\text{IR}}/\Lambda_{\text{UV}} = \mathcal{O}(1).$$

$\Lambda_{\text{UV}}$

$\Lambda_{\text{IR}}$

$Nf_c$

$$\frac{\Lambda_{\text{UV}}}{\Lambda_{\text{IR}}} \sim \exp\left(\frac{\hat{K}}{\sqrt{x_c - x}}\right)$$

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# Physical scales & Lattice scales

- ✓ Lattice introduces two further technical scales  $a$  and  $L$  obscuring the UV and IR behaviour respectively

- ✓ Ratios of homogeneous quantities

$$R = O_1/O_2$$

useful: Help controlling  $a$  and  $L$  systematic effects  
Display scale hierarchy with no need to fix the scale across different theories

- ✓ When  $O_2$  is an UV quantity – non critical at  $N_{fc}$  -- taking the ratio is de facto a scale fixing procedure for  $O_1$

# Plan

- Critical temperature :  $N_f = (0, 4, 6, 8)$
- String tension:  $N_f = 6, 8$
- Wilson flow:  $N_f = 6, 8$
- Spectrum and anomalous dimension:  $N_f = 12$

# **THE (PSEUDO) CRITICAL TEMPERATURE**

# Lattice setup

*All simulations :*

- Gauge Action: one loop Symanzyk improved
- Fermion Action: Tadpole improved AsqTad

$m = 0.02$  : only one mass



# Scaling for essential singularities

Nogada, Hasegawa, Nemoto, PRL 2012

$$g(t, h, N^{-1}) = b^{-1} \hat{g}(e^{-(t/t_0)^{-x_t}} b, h b^{y_h}, N^{-1} b).$$

$m \leftrightarrow$  Chiral Condensate

$h \leftrightarrow$  bare mass

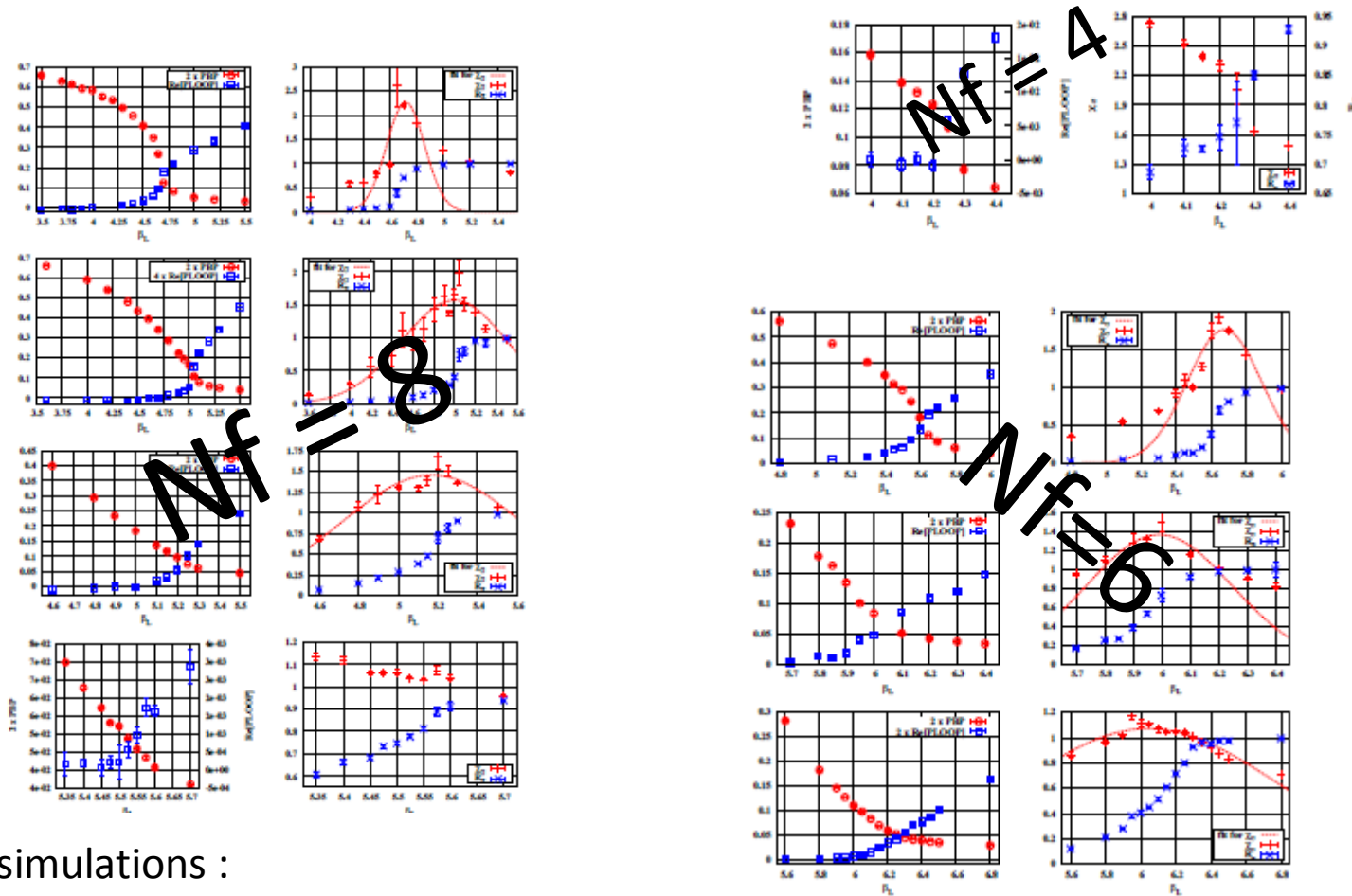
$t \leftrightarrow N_c - N_{fc}$

$$m \propto \begin{cases} e^{-(1-y_h)(t/t_0)^{-x_t}} & \text{for } h e^{y_h(t/t_0)^{-x_t}} \ll 1 \\ h^{y_h^{-1}-1} & \text{for } h e^{y_h(t/t_0)^{-x_t}} \gg 1 \end{cases}$$



**Within the scaling window data at finite mass contain information on the critical behaviour . They can be approximated as zero mass ones, but with a larger apparent critical point.**

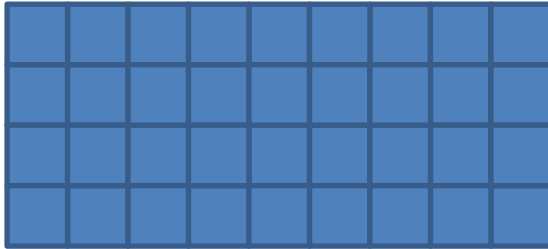
*We studied the thermal transition for several  $N_f$  and several  $N_t$*



All simulations :  
 Gauge Action one loop Sym.  
 Tadpole improved AsqTad

$N_t \times a$

$N_s \times a$



From the Lattice..

$$T \equiv \frac{1}{a(\beta_L) \cdot N_t},$$

..to the continuum

Via old fashioned asymptotic scaling

$$\Lambda_L a(\beta_L) = \left( \frac{2N_c b_0}{\beta_L} \right)^{-b_1/(2b_0^2)} \exp \left[ \frac{-\beta_L}{4N_c b_0} \right].$$

$$\frac{1}{N_t} = \boxed{\frac{T_c}{\Lambda_L}} \times \left( \Lambda_L a(\beta_L^c) \right).$$

Must be approx. constant for several  $N_t$

# The quest for continuum limit

$$\frac{T_c}{\Lambda_{L/E}} = \frac{R(g_{L/E})}{N_t} = (b_0 g_{L/E}^2)^{-b_1/(2b_0^2)} \exp\left[\frac{-1}{2b_0}\right],$$

*Explore different prescriptions for  $T_c/\Lambda$*

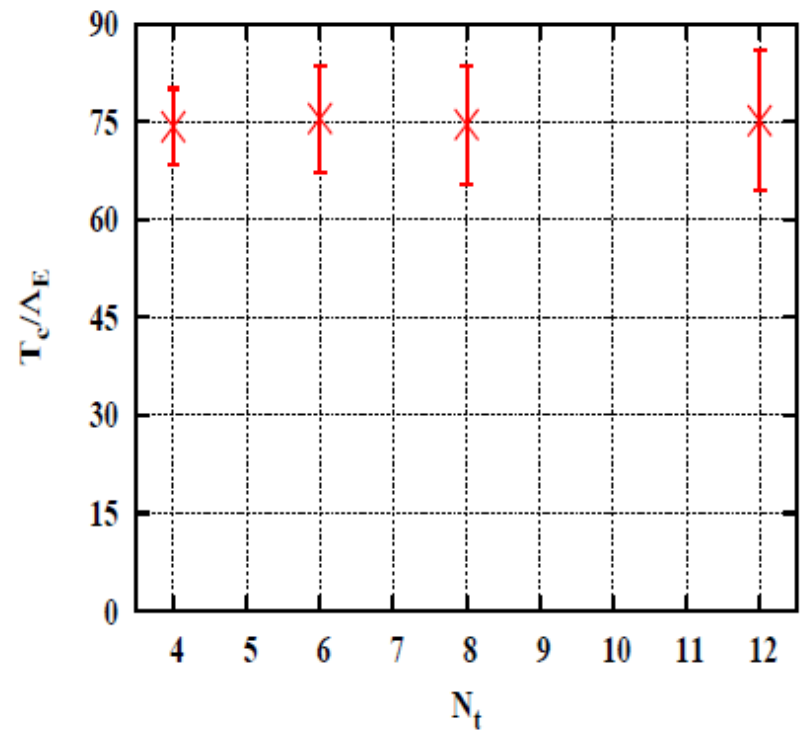
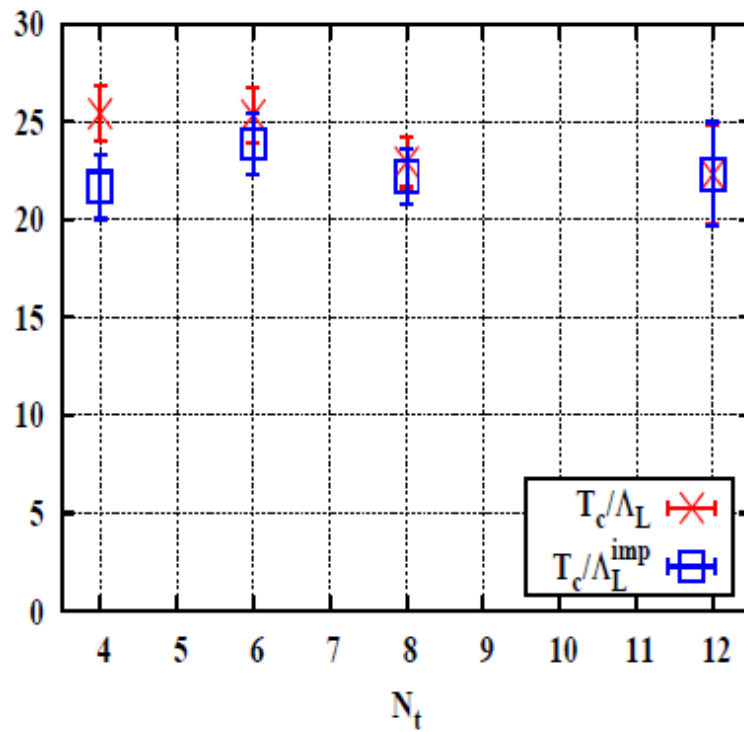
$$R(g_{L/E}) \equiv a(g_{L/E}) \Lambda_{L/E} = (b_0 g_{L/E}^2)^{-b_1/(2b_0^2)} \exp\left[\frac{-1}{2b_0 g_{L/E}}\right]$$

$$g_E = \sqrt{3(1 - \langle P \rangle(g_L))}$$

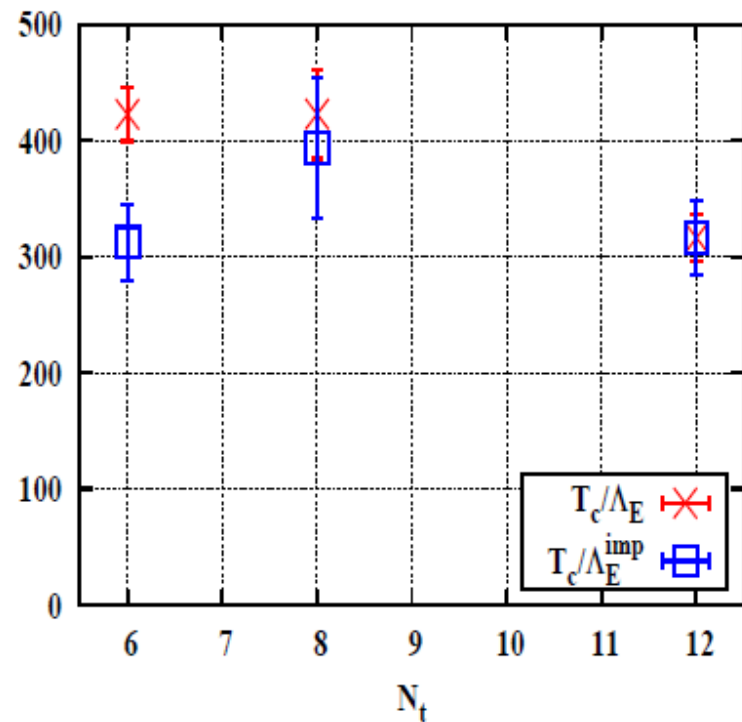
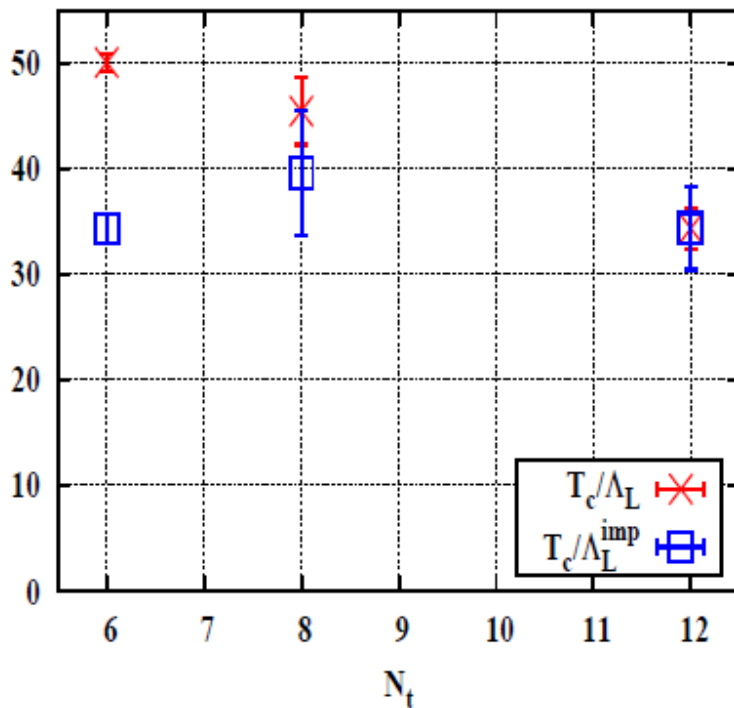
$$R^{\text{imp}}(\beta_{L/E}) = \Lambda_{L/E}^{\text{imp}} a(\beta_{L/E}) \equiv \frac{R(\beta_{L/E})}{1+h} \times \left[ 1 + h \frac{R^2(\beta_{L/E})}{R^2(\beta_0)} \right],$$

C. Allton, 2007

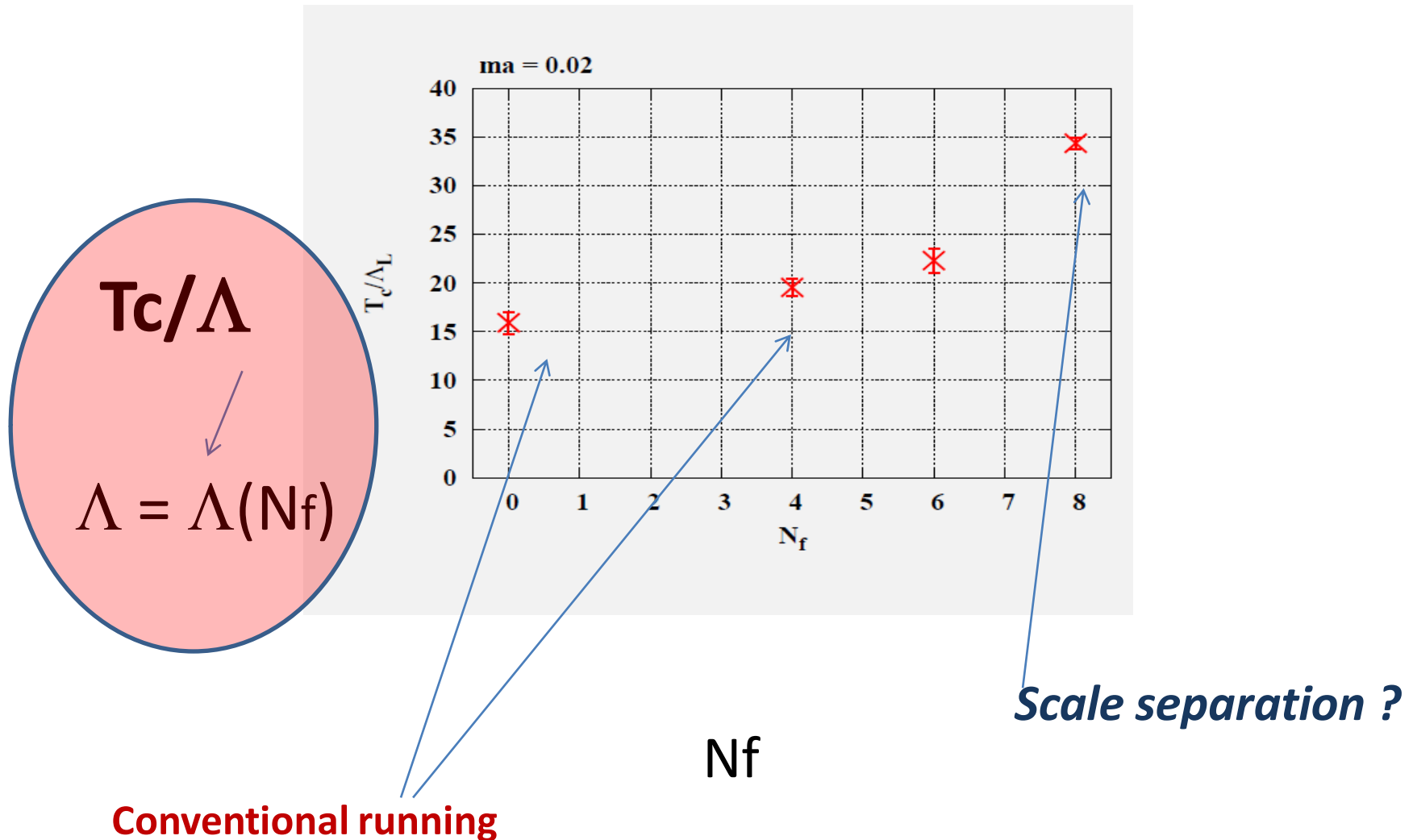
# $N_f = 6$ , asympt. scaling



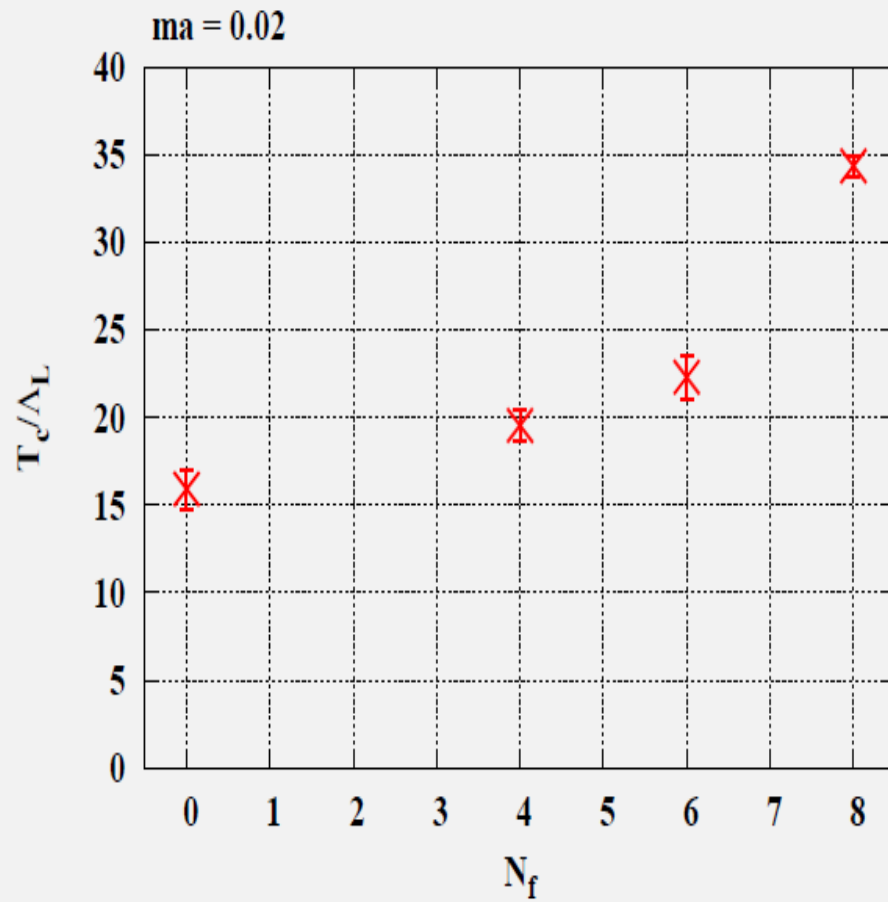
# $N_f = 8$ , asympt scaling



# $T_c/\Lambda$ as a function of $N_f$

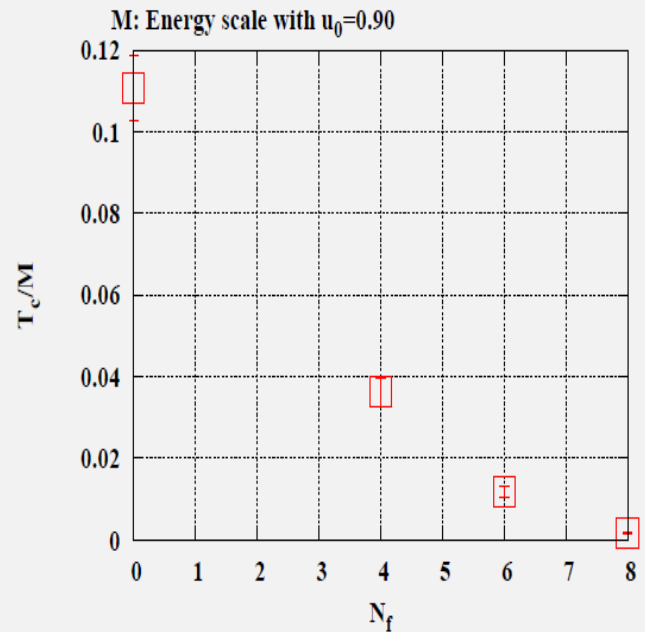
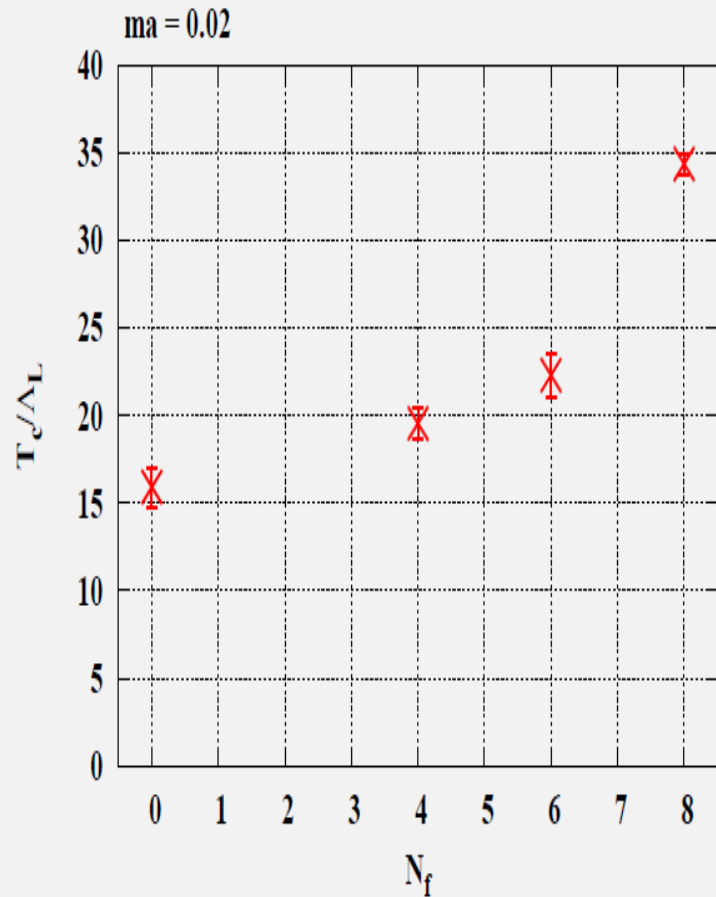


# Puzzle??



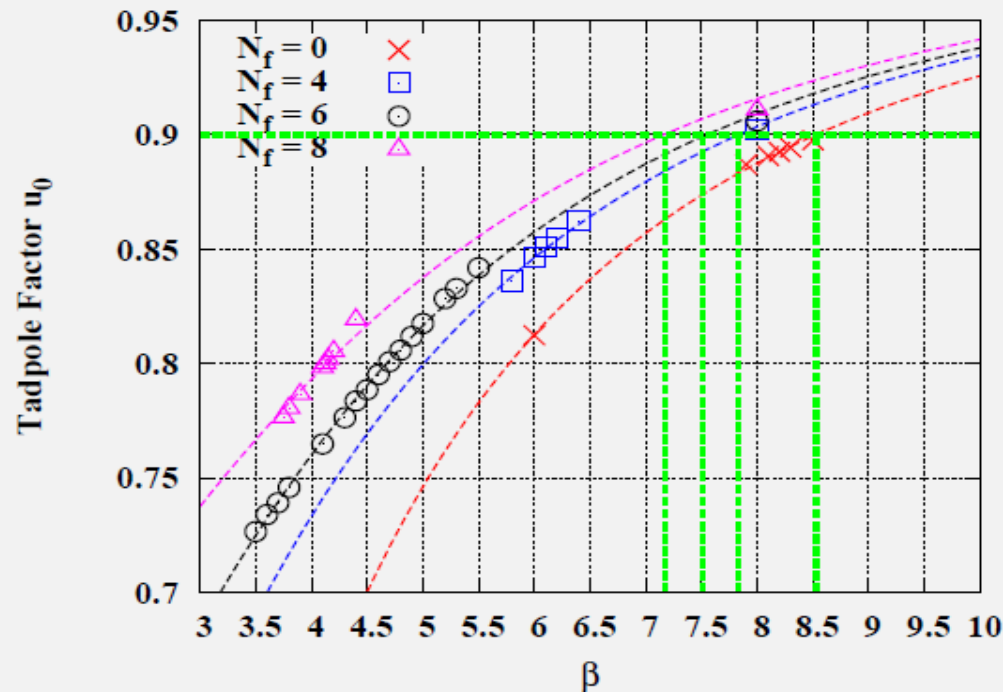


# Solution: $\Lambda = \Lambda(N_f)$ ; use UV scale



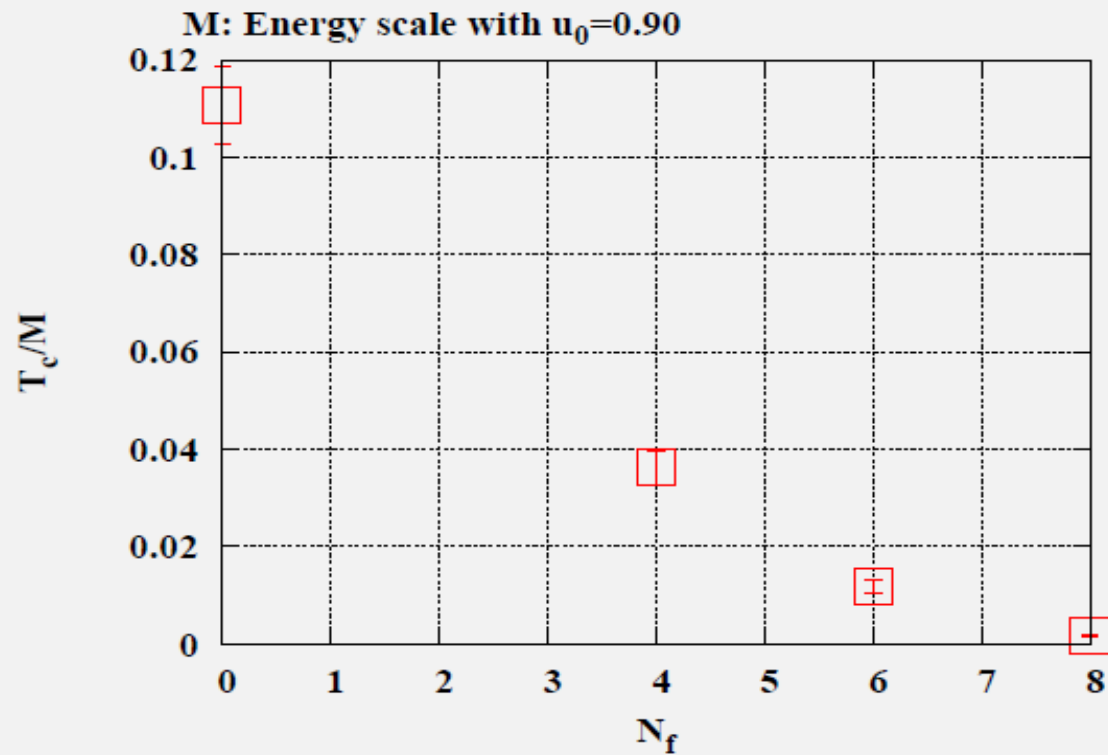
$$\frac{T_c}{M} = \frac{1}{N_t} \exp \left[ \int_{g_{\text{ref}}}^{g_c} \frac{dg}{B(g)} \right].$$

# Fixing an UV scale



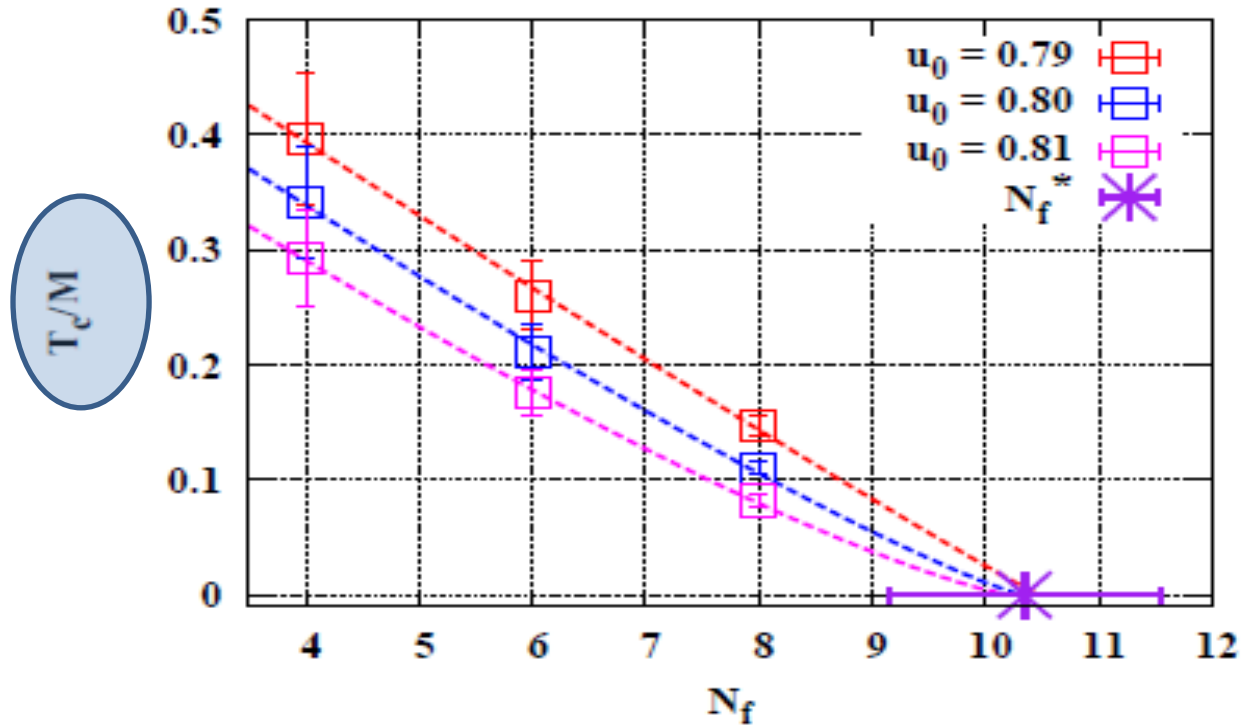
- We have measured the tadpole factor  $u_0 = \langle \square \rangle^{1/4}$  at  $T = 0$ .
- We use the couplings obtained by the constant  $u_0$  line to define a UV reference scale  $M$ .

$$T_c/M_{UV}$$



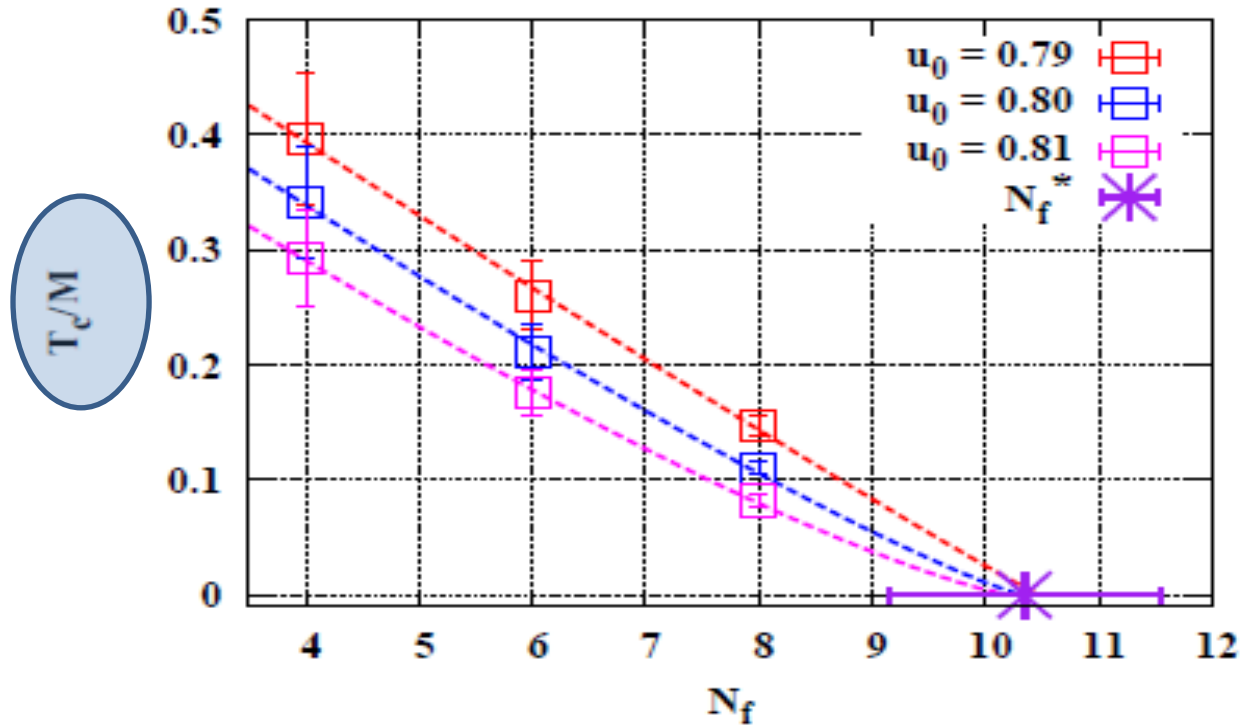
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$M$  fixed with the help of perturbation theory

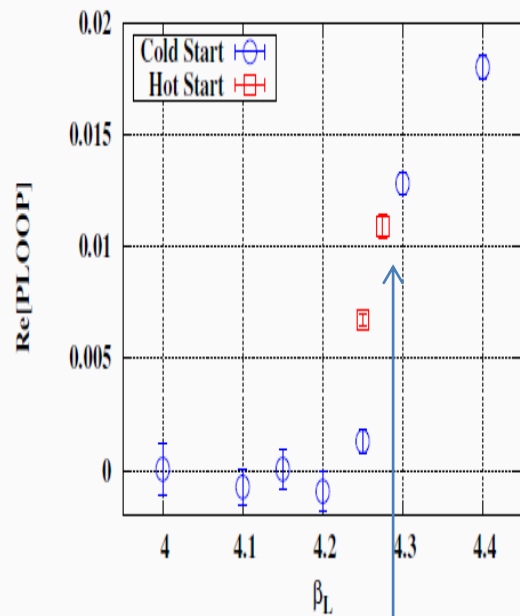


Talk by K. Miura@Lattice2013

# **THE STRING TENSION**

# Lattice setup: $\beta$ for $N_f=8$

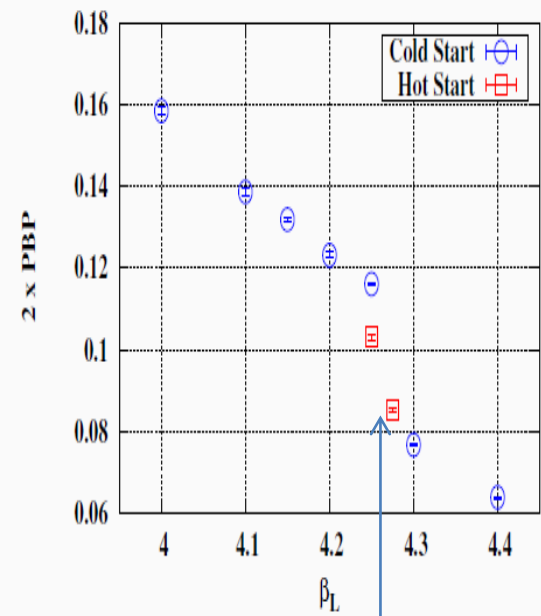
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$$\beta_L^c = 4.275 \pm 0.05$$

Finite T  
results  $N_t=8$

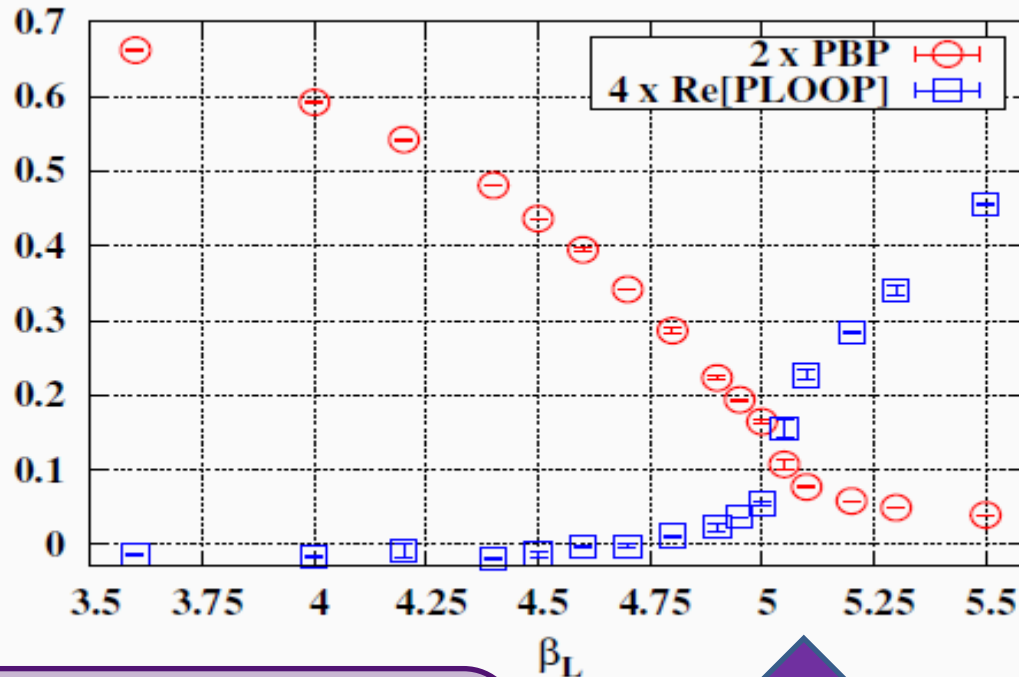
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Choice for the  $T=0$   
simulation

# Lattice setup: $\beta$ for $N_f=6$



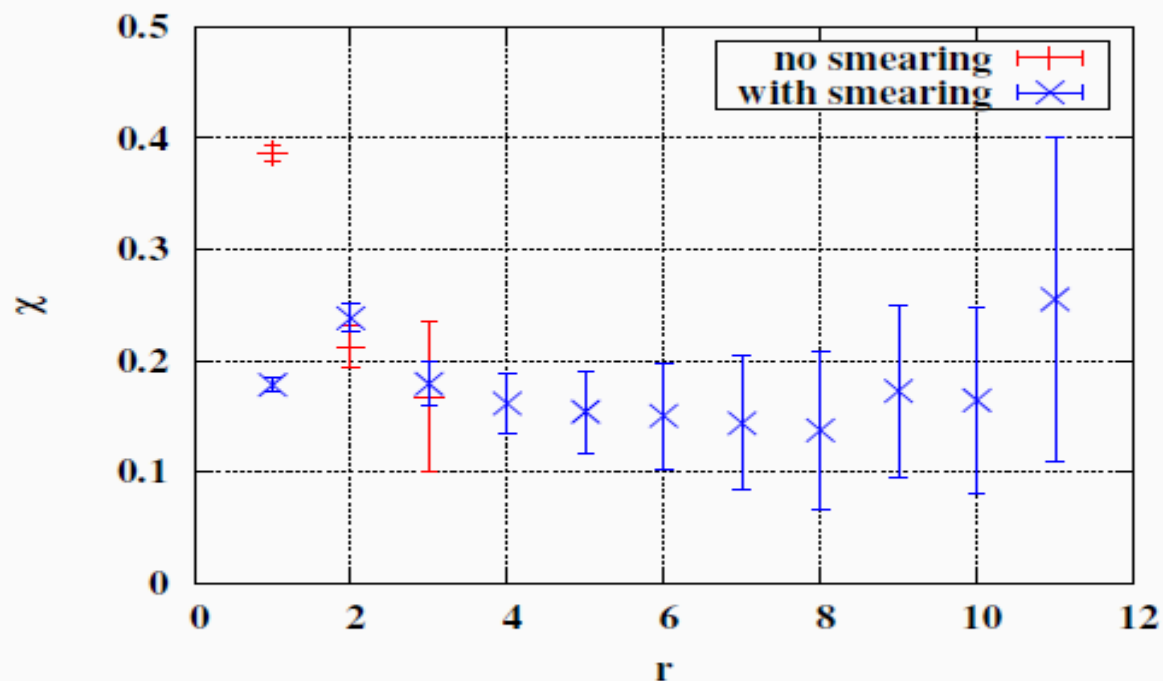
Finite  
temperature,  
 $N_t=6$  results

$\beta_c = 5.025$ :  
Choice for the  $T=0$   
simulations



# Nf=8: Creutz ratios

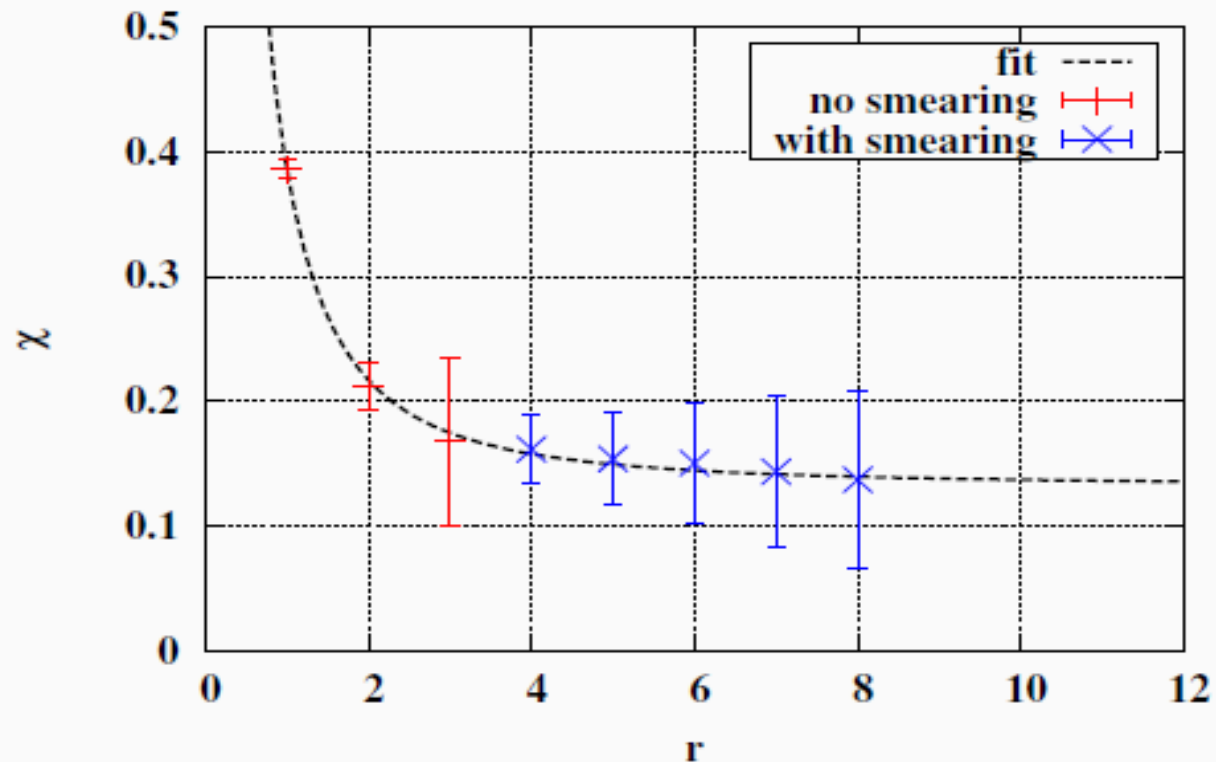
Preliminary,  $\beta = \beta_L^c = 4.275$ ,  $ma = 0.02$ ,  $32^3 \times 64$ ,  $t = 3$



$$\chi_{r,t} = -\log \left[ \frac{W_{r,t} W_{r+1,t+1}}{W_{r,t+1} W_{r+1,t}} \right] = \frac{\alpha}{\hat{r}(\hat{r} + 1)} + \hat{\sigma}.$$

# Nf = 8 : String tension

Preliminary



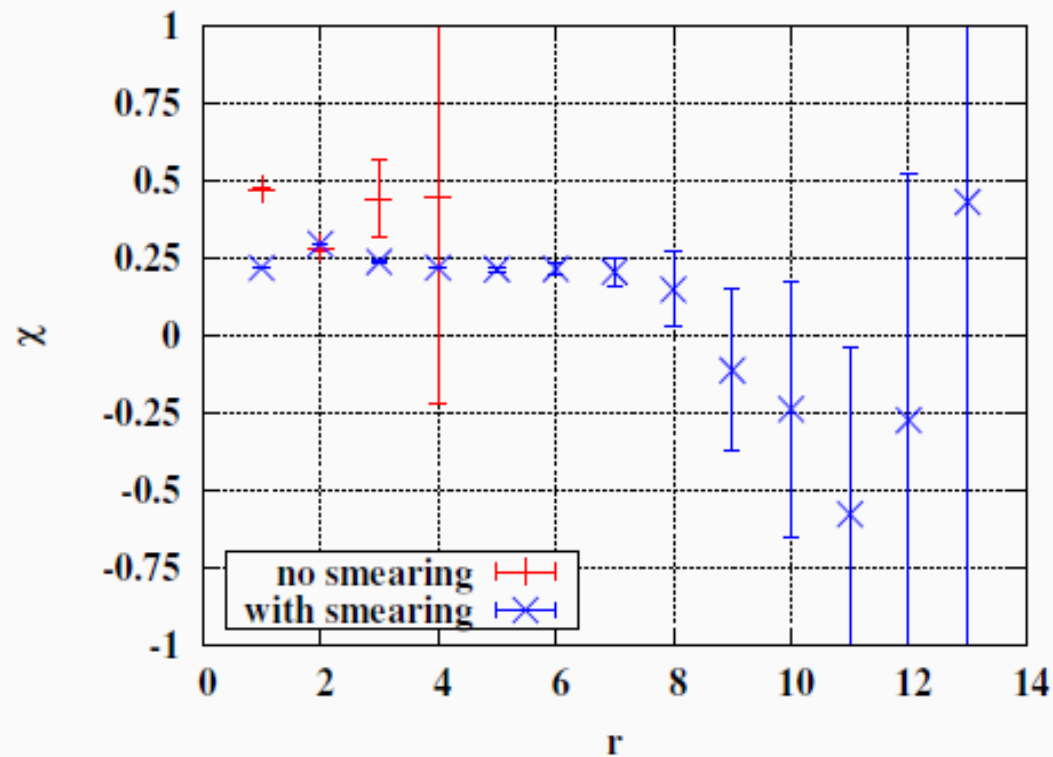
$$\alpha = 0.506821 \pm 0.005149 \quad (1.016\% \text{ error}) ,$$

$$\hat{\sigma} = 0.132381 \pm 0.002283 \quad (1.724\% \text{ error}) ,$$

$$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 0.0203838 .$$

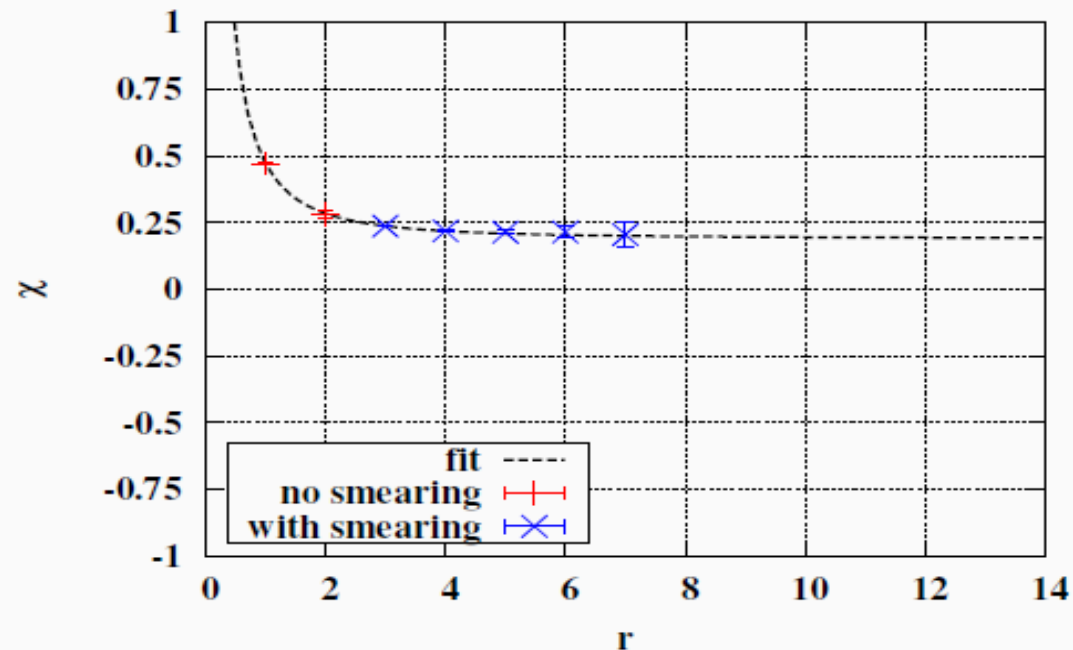
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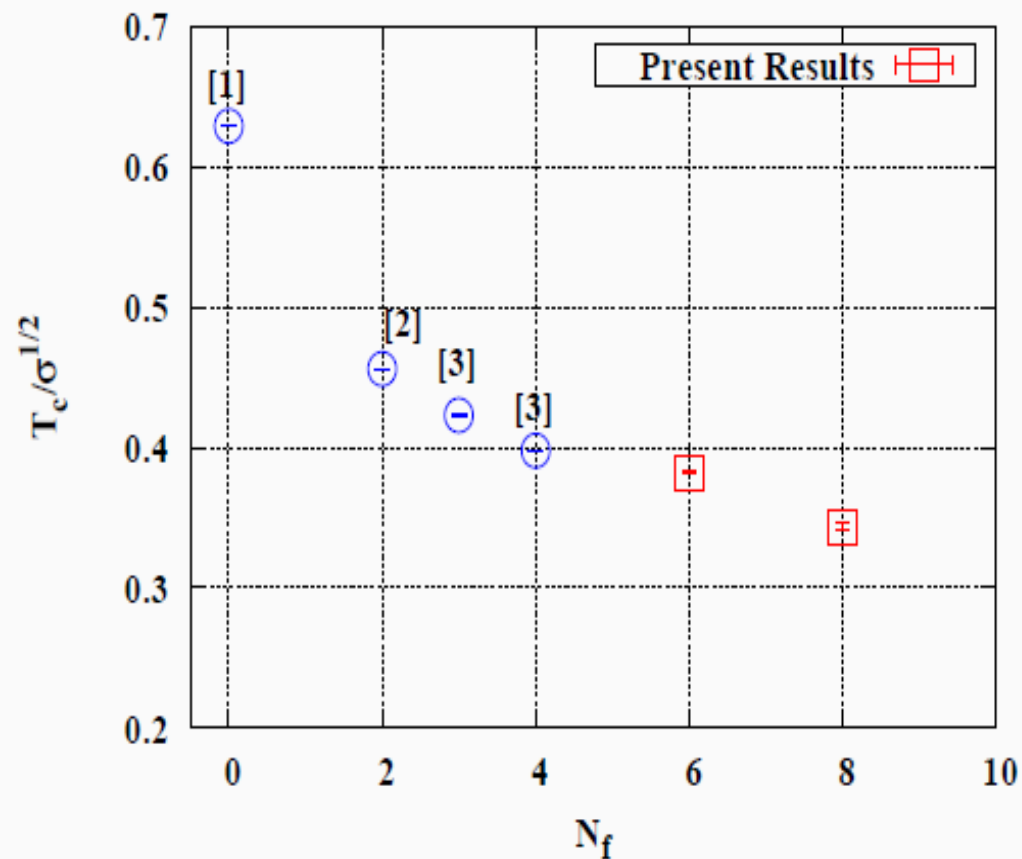
Preliminary



$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= 0.563763 \pm 0.002853 \quad (0.506\% \text{ error}) , \\ \hat{\sigma} &= 0.190117 \pm 0.0006817 \quad (0.3586\% \text{ error}) , \\ X^2/\text{d.o.f.} &= 0.184966 .\end{aligned}$$

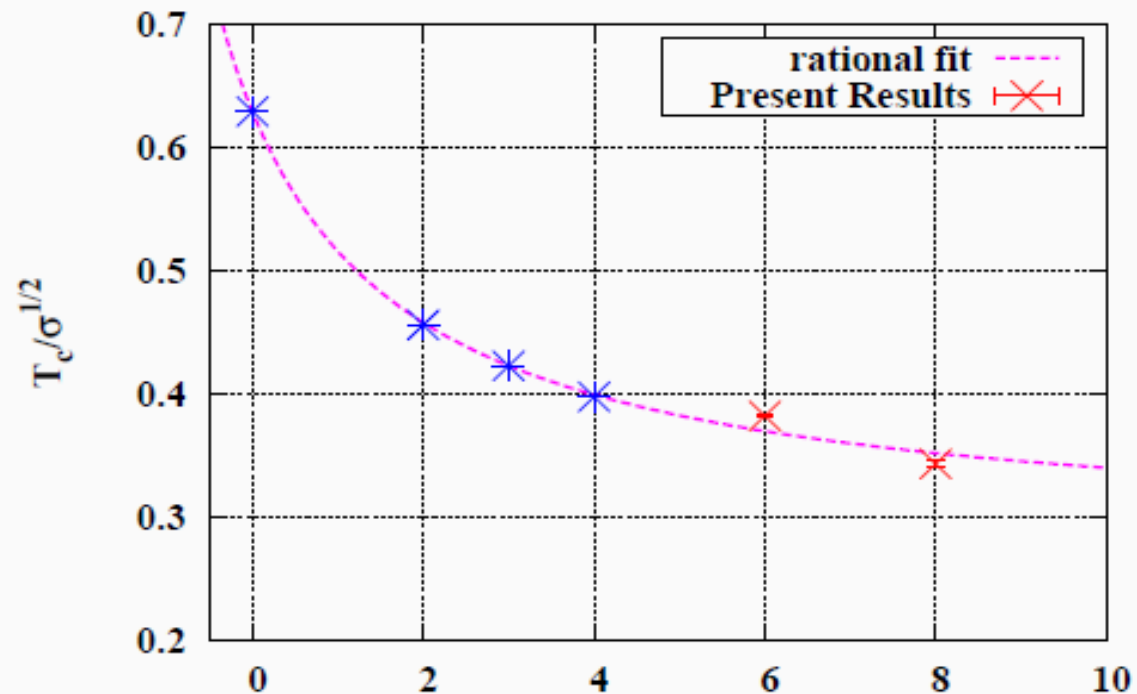
$$T_c/v \sigma$$

Preliminary



Lim  $N_f \rightarrow N_{fc}$   $T_c/\sqrt{\sigma} = \text{Const.}$

Preliminary



$$\frac{T_c}{\sqrt{\sigma}}(N_f) = C \cdot \frac{1 + D \cdot N_f}{1 + E \cdot N_f}.$$

# **RESULTS FOR $W_0$**

# Wilson flow

$$\mathcal{E}(t) = t^2 \langle E(x, t) \rangle, \quad E(x, t) \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} G_{\mu\nu}(x, t) G_{\mu\nu}(x, t)$$

$$w_0 : w_0^2 \mathcal{E}'(w_0^2) = 0.3,$$

- ✓ Computationally easy
- ✓ Naturally smooth
- ✓ Well behaved at short distance



# W0 vs r0

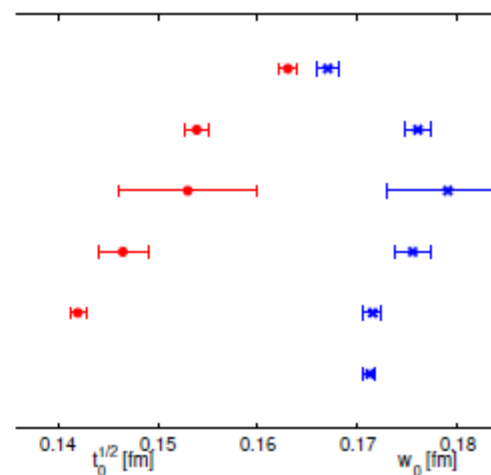
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| Wilson, $N_f = 2$      |            |      | tmQCD, $N_f = 2$ |         |      | $N_f$ | $N_f > 2$              |            |                  |
|------------------------|------------|------|------------------|---------|------|-------|------------------------|------------|------------------|
| $r_0$ [fm]             | from       |      | $r_0$ [fm]       | from    |      |       | $r_0$ [fm]             | $r_1$ [fm] | from             |
| 0.503(10)              | $f_K$      | [14] | 0.438(14)        | $f_K$   | [38] | 2+1   | 0.466(4) <sup>a</sup>  | 0.313(2)   | div. [39]        |
| 0.491( 6) <sup>c</sup> | $f_K$      | [9]  |                  |         |      | 2+1   |                        | 0.321(5)   | $\Upsilon$ [1]   |
| 0.485( 9) <sup>c</sup> | $f_\pi$    | [9]  | 0.420(20)        | $f_\pi$ | [40] | 2+1   | 0.470(4)               | 0.311(2)   | $f_\pi$ [41, 42] |
| 0.501(15) <sup>b</sup> | $m_p$      | [43] | 0.465(16)        | $m_p$   | [44] | 2+1   | 0.492(10) <sup>b</sup> |            | $m_\Omega$ [11]  |
| 0.471(17)              | $m_\Omega$ | [13] |                  |         |      | 2+1   | 0.480(11)              | 0.323(9)   | $m_\Omega$ [10]  |
|                        |            |      |                  |         |      | 2+1+1 |                        | 0.311(3)   | $f_\pi$ [45]     |

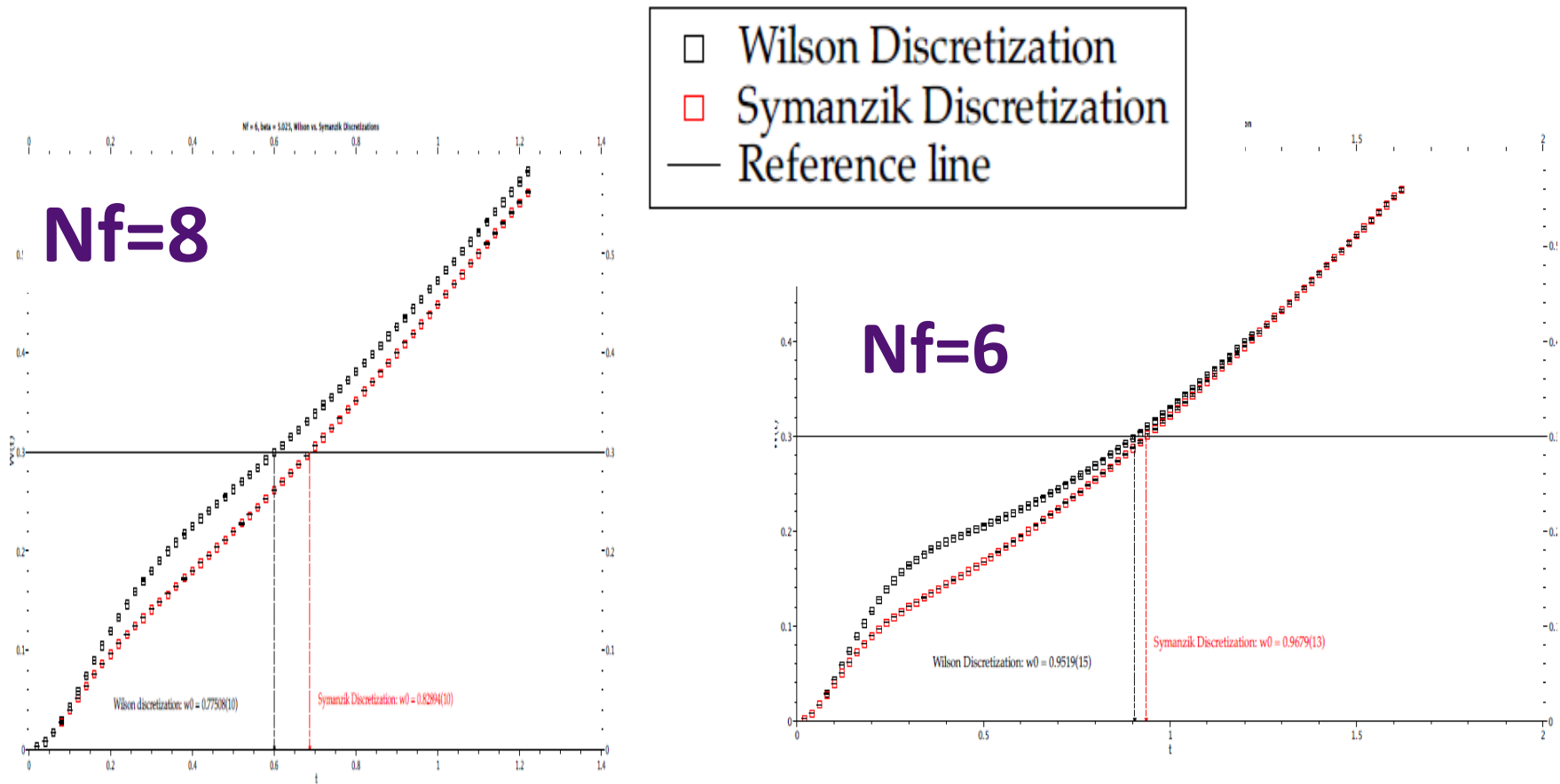
<sup>a</sup> with  $r_0/r_1$  and  $r_1/a$  from [46]

<sup>c</sup> preliminary, at this conference

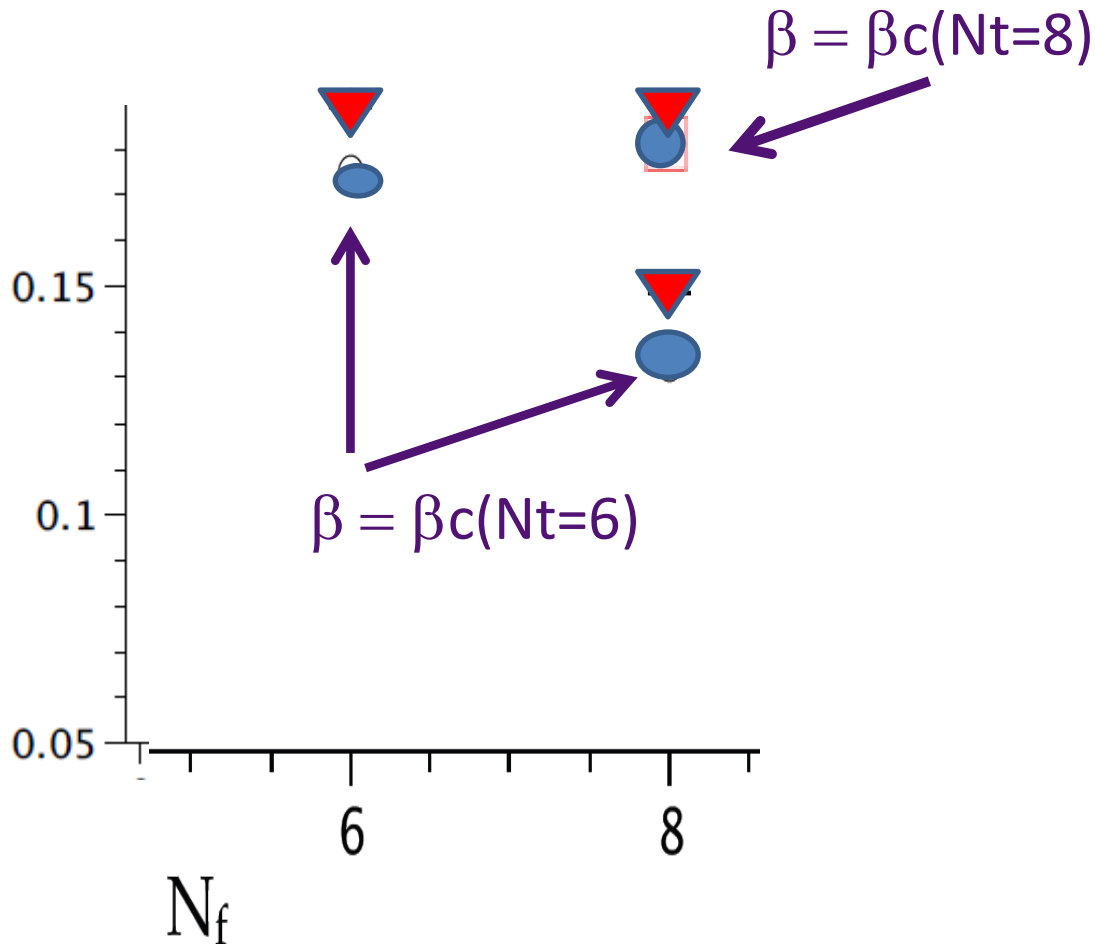
| $N_f$ | $\sqrt{t_0}$ [fm] | $w_0$ [fm] | from                     |
|-------|-------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| 0     | 0.1638(10)        | 0.1670(10) | $r_0 = 0.49$ fm [35, 30] |
| 2     | 0.1539(12)        | 0.1760(13) | $f_K$ [35, 9]            |
| 3     | 0.153( 7)         | 0.179( 6)  | $m_p$ [47]               |
| 3     | 0.1465(25)        | 0.1755(18) | $m_\Omega$ [33]          |
| 4     | 0.1420(8)         | 0.1715(9)  | $f_\pi$ [45]             |
| 4     |                   | 0.1712(6)  | $f_\pi$ [34]             |



# With and without improvement



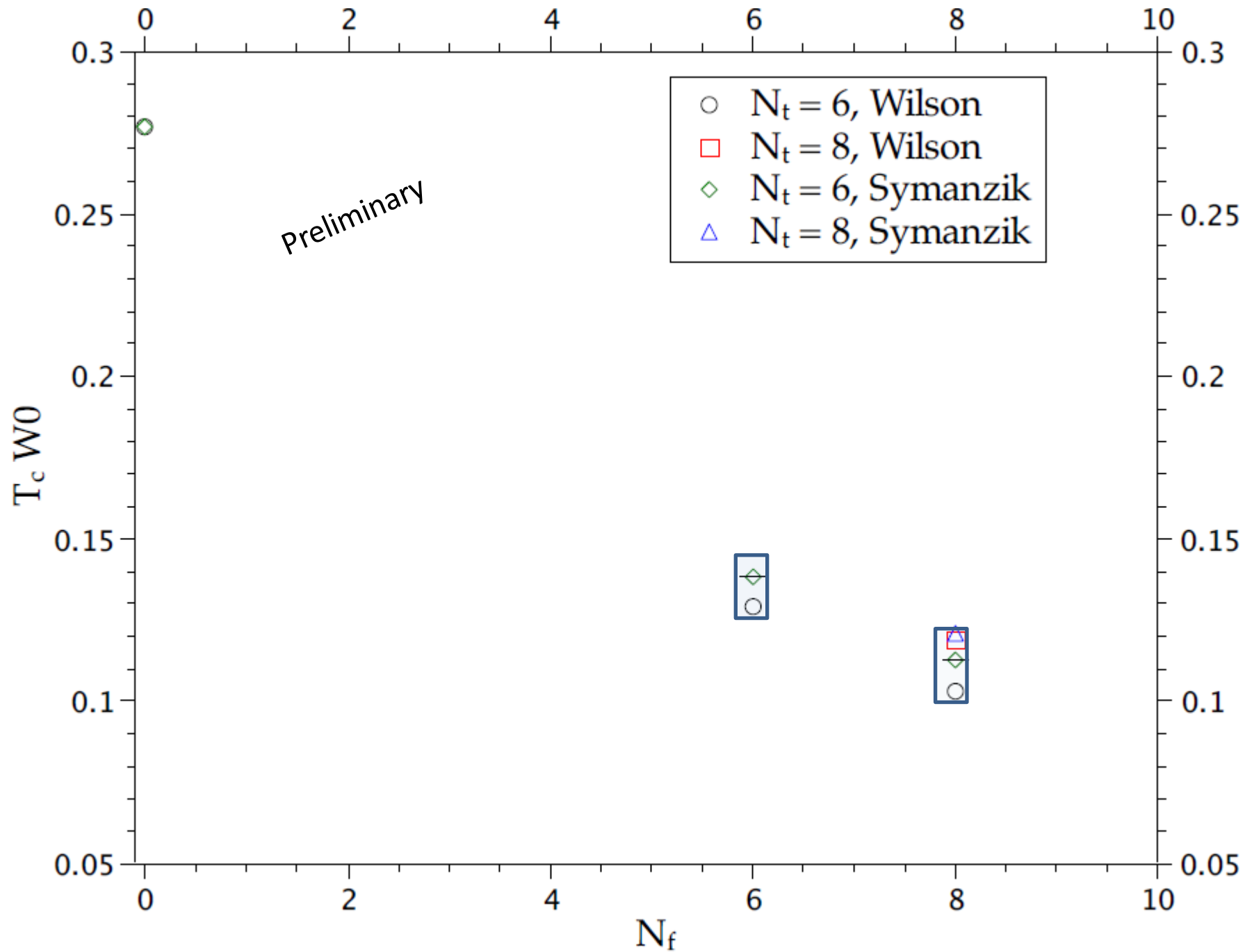
# Results for w0 – improved and unimproved



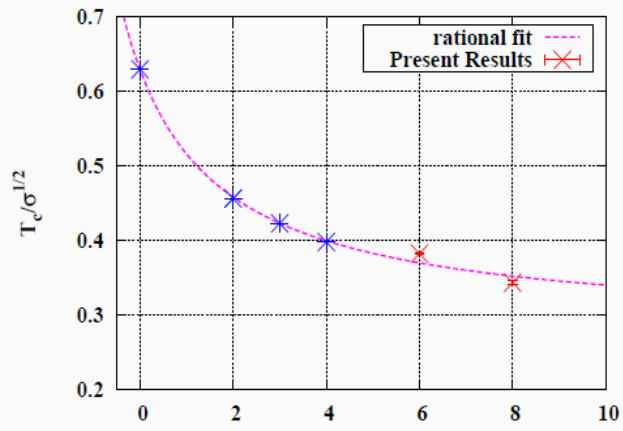
Control on the  
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Improved and  
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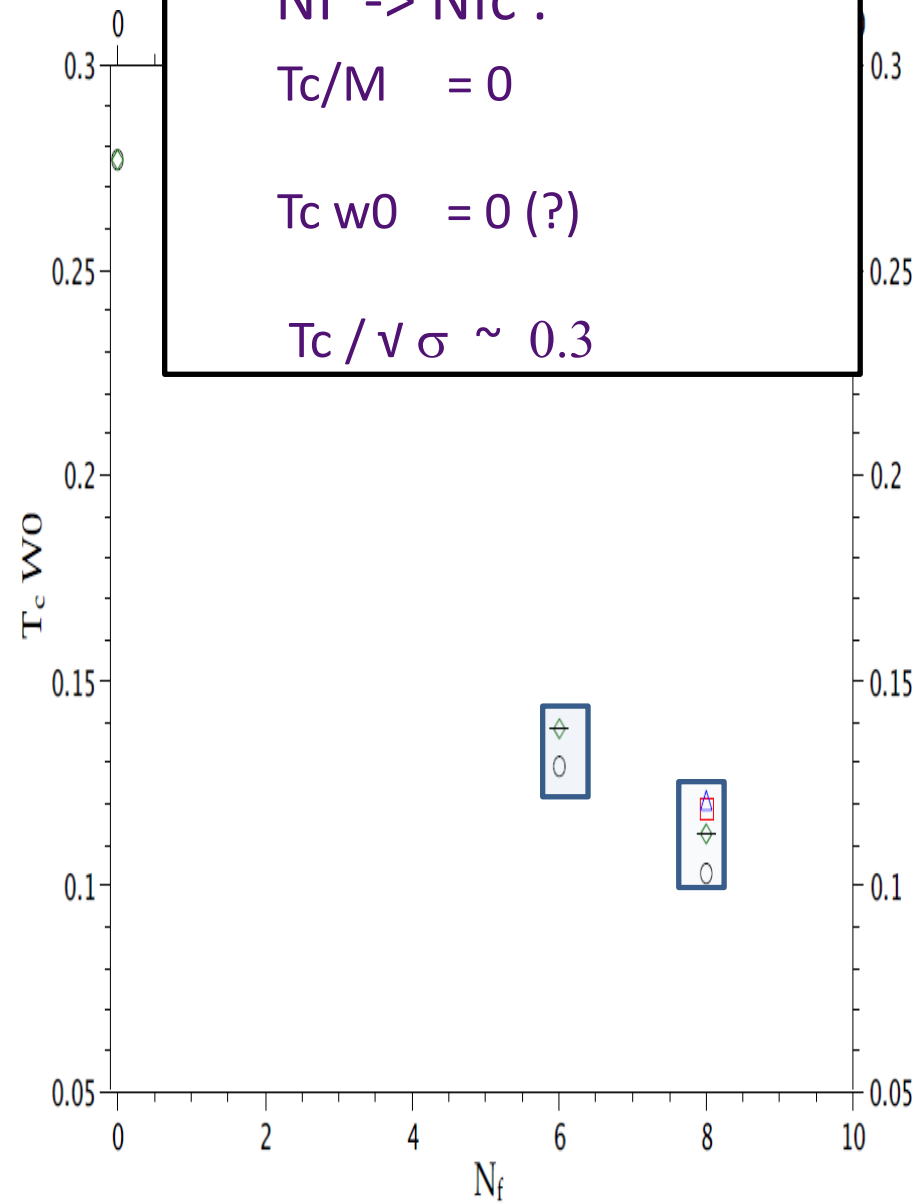
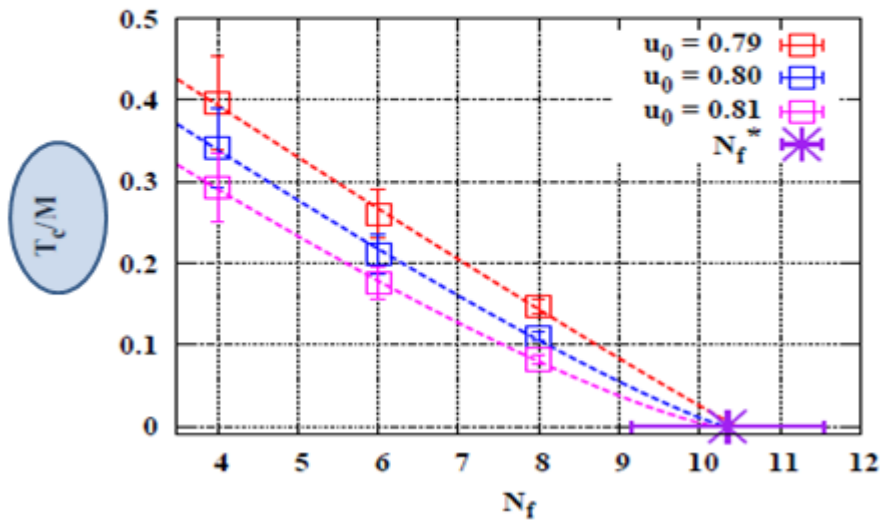
Two different  $\beta$  in the  
more challenging  
 $N_f=8$  model



Preliminary



$$\frac{T_c}{\sqrt{\sigma}}(N_f) = C \cdot \frac{1 + D \cdot N_f}{1 + E \cdot N_f}.$$



$N_f \rightarrow N_{fc} :$

$T_c/M = 0$

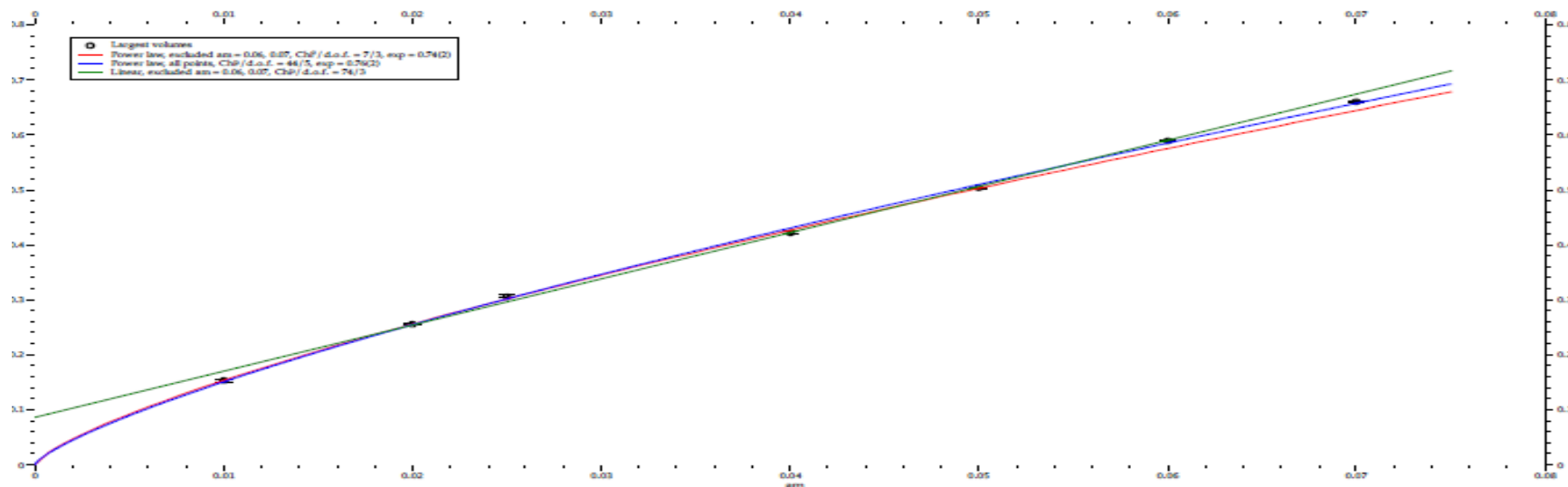
$T_c w_0 = 0 (?)$

$T_c / \sqrt{\sigma} \sim 0.3$

T.Nunes da Silva, Talk@Lattice 2013 (update of previous results)

## **NF=12 SPECTRUM**

# Nf = 12 – Pion



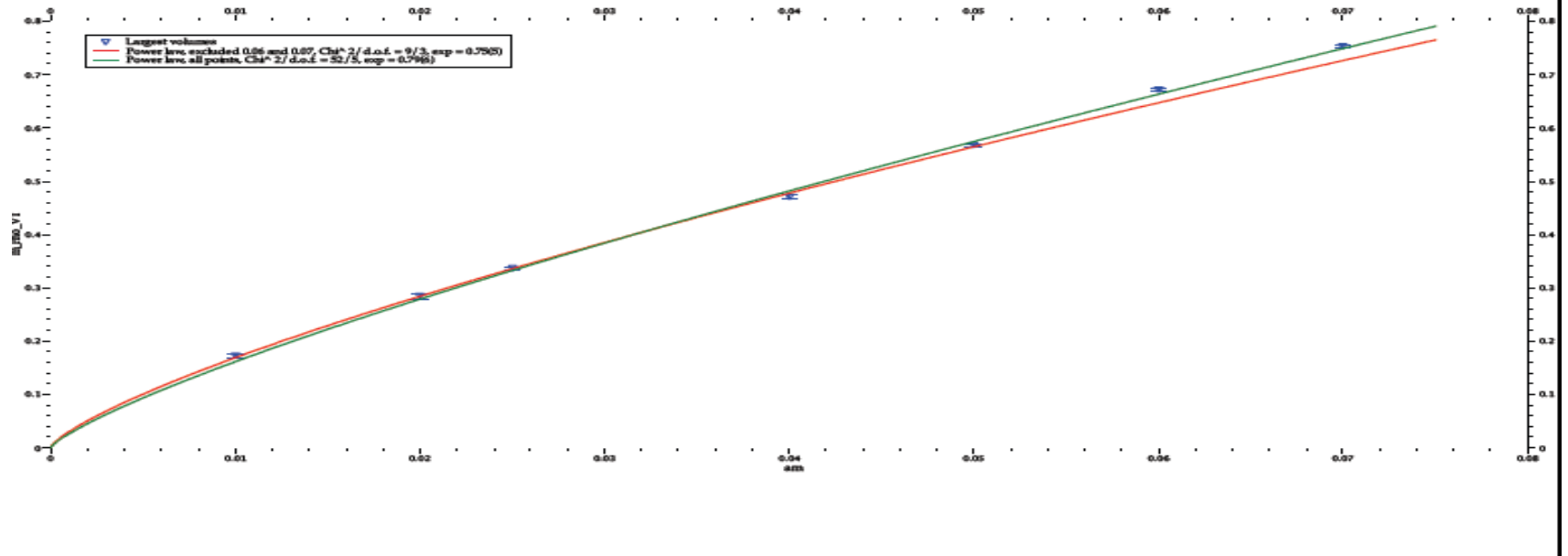
○ Largest volumes

— Power law, excluded  $am = 0.06, 0.07$ ,  $\chi^2/d.o.f. = 7/3$ ,  $\exp = 0.74(2)$

— Power law, all points,  $\chi^2/d.o.f. = 44/5$ ,  $\exp = 0.76(2)$

— Linear, excluded  $am = 0.06, 0.07$ ,  $\chi^2/d.o.f. = 74/3$

# Nf=12- Rho



Largest volumes

Power law, excluded 0.06 and 0.07,  $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 9/3$ ,  $\text{exp} = 0.75(5)$

Power law, all points,  $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 52/5$ ,  $\text{exp} = 0.79(6)$



# Nf=12 Mass anomalous dimension

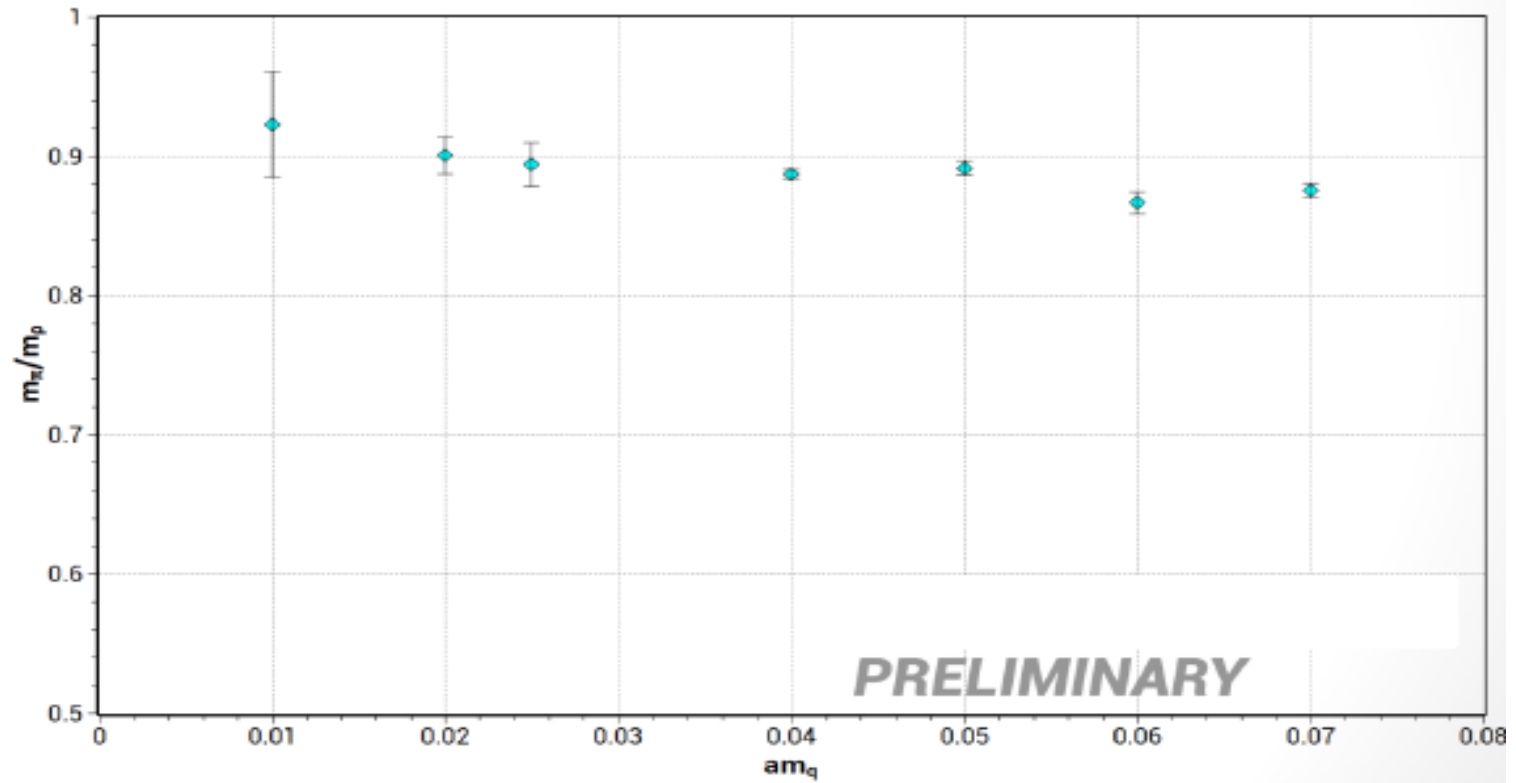
$\gamma = 0.33(2)(\text{rho}) ; 0.35(3)(\text{pion})$   
at  $\beta=3.9$

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|                                             | $\gamma_g^*$ | $\gamma_m^*$              |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| 2 loop                                      | 0.36         | 0.77                      |
| 4 loop (MS bar)                             | 0.28         | 0.25                      |
| Step scaling (SF scheme) Ref. [15]          | 0.13(3)      |                           |
| hyperscaling I (mCGT) Ref. [21]             |              | 0.403(13)                 |
| hyperscaling II (mCGT) Ref. [22]            |              | 0.35(23)                  |
| hyperscaling III (mCGT) Ref. [23]           |              | 0.4 – 0.5                 |
| hyperscaling IV (Dirac eigenmode) Ref. [10] |              | 0.32(3)                   |
| Step scaling (our result) Ref. [1], [40]    | 0.57(35)     | $0.044^{+0.062}_{-0.040}$ |

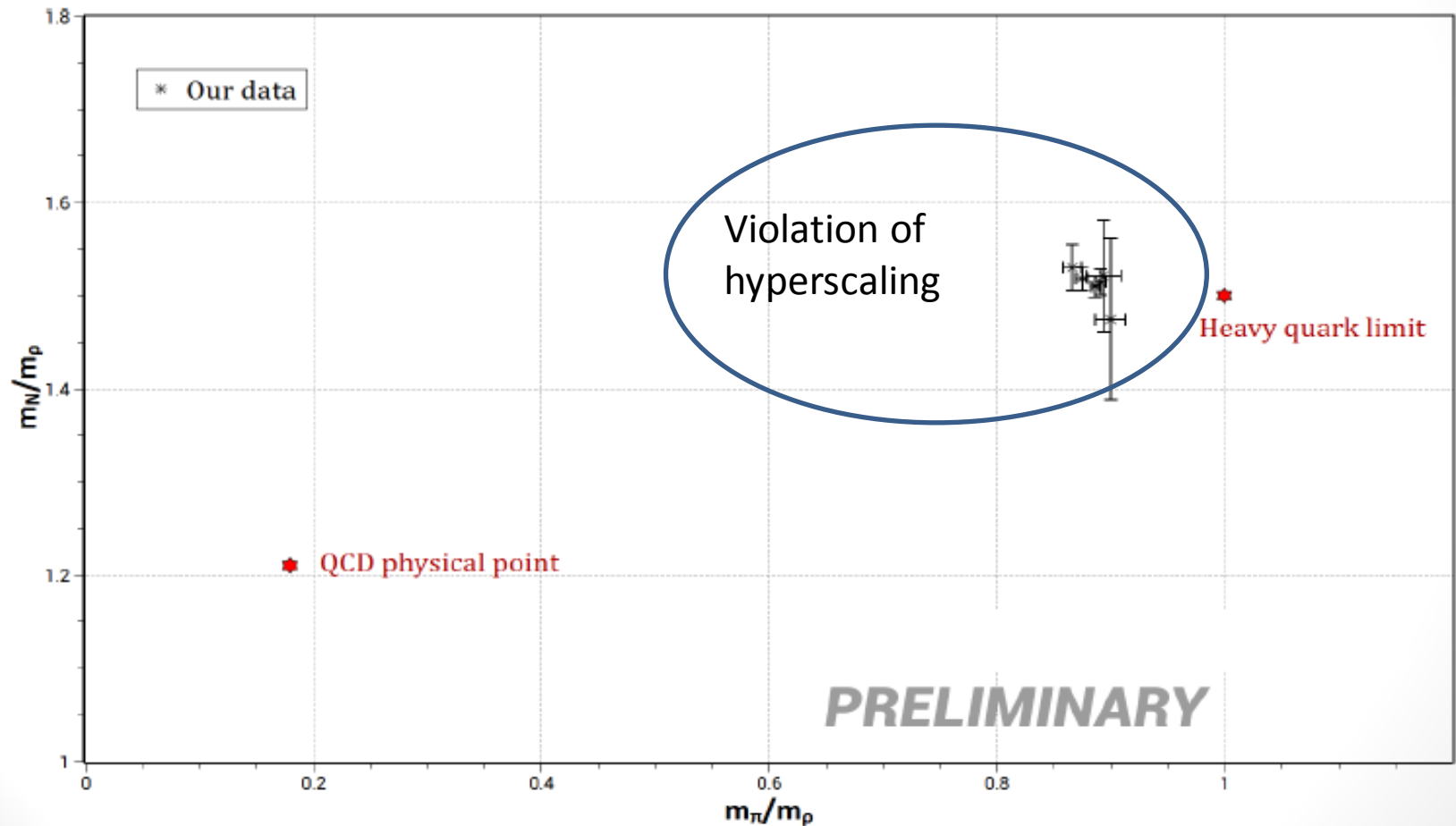
|  |   |    |        |        |        |                   |
|--|---|----|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|
|  | 3 | 10 | 2.21   | 0.764  | 0.815  | B.Schrock<br>2013 |
|  | 3 | 11 | 1.23   | 0.578  | 0.626  |                   |
|  | 3 | 12 | 0.754  | 0.435  | 0.470  |                   |
|  | 3 | 13 | 0.468  | 0.317  | 0.337  |                   |
|  | 3 | 14 | 0.278  | 0.215  | 0.224  |                   |
|  | 3 | 15 | 0.143  | 0.123  | 0.126  |                   |
|  | 3 | 16 | 0.0416 | 0.0397 | 0.0398 |                   |

$$m_{\pi}/m_{\rho}$$



# the Edinburgh plot

... A simple test of hyperscaling



# Summary

Indication of preconformality for  $N_f=8$ :

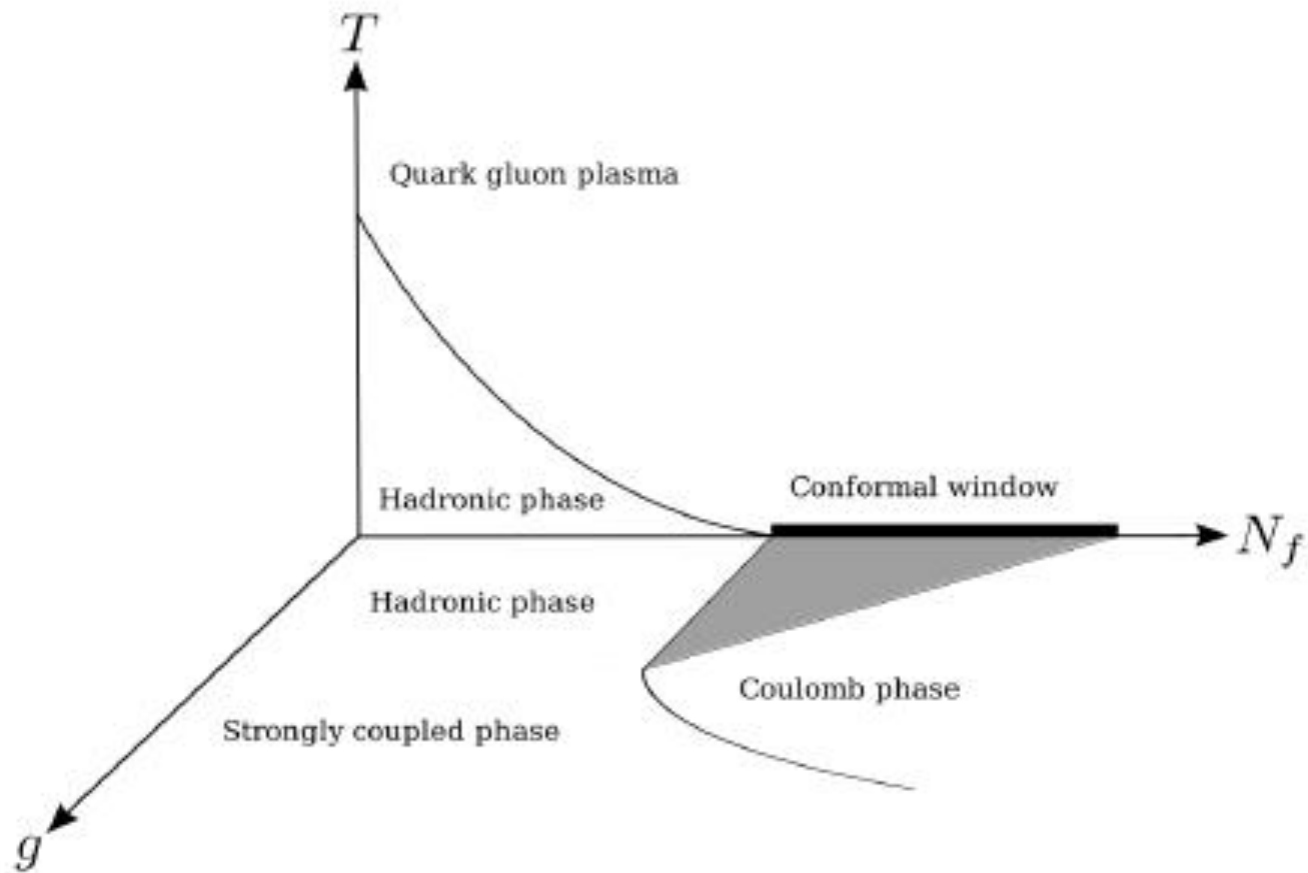
- Scale separation

- $T_c$  measured on a UV scale approaches 0

$T_c$  and the string tension have a similar sensitivity to the IRFP . Their ratio is weakly dependent on  $N_f$

Anomalous dimension  $\gamma = 0.35(5)$  for  $N_f=12$   
(Indication of violation of hyperscaling)

- Backup slides



# Thermal coupling and IRFP

We consider the critical coupling at the temperature scale  $1/N_t$

$$R(g_L^c, g_T^c) = 1/N_t ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{R}(g_L^c, g_L^{\text{ref}}) &\equiv \frac{M(g_L^{\text{ref}})}{a^{-1}(g_L^c)} = \exp \left[ \int_{g_L^c}^{g_L^{\text{ref}}} \frac{dg_L}{\beta(g_L)} \right] \\ &\simeq \left( \frac{(g_L^c)^2}{(g_L^c)^2 b_1 + b_0} \frac{(g_L^{\text{ref}})^2 b_1 + b_0}{(g_L^{\text{ref}})^2} \right)^{-b_1/(2b_0^2)} \\ &\quad \times \exp \left[ \frac{1}{2b_0} \left( \frac{1}{(g_L^{\text{ref}})^2} - \frac{1}{(g_L^c)^2} \right) \right] , \end{aligned}$$

$$M(g_L^{\text{ref}}) = 1/N_t a(g_L^c).$$

And we match it with the phenomenological zero temperature critical coupling

# IRFP from couplings

