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Testing dilaton potentials for near conformal gauge theories

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Dilaton Effective Field Theory

- Near conformal gauge field theories are candidates of beyond standard model with emergent composite Higgs boson (0⁺⁺ scalar)
- QCD χPT cannot work properly in the chiral limit:
 As conformal window is approached, light 0⁺⁺ scalar adds extra degree of freedom
- Dilaton hypothesis: The scalar acts as a dilaton from scale symmetry breaking
- Lagrangian of Dilaton Effective Field Theory:

$$\begin{split} L = & \frac{1}{2} \; \partial_{\mu} \chi \; \partial_{\mu} \chi - V(\chi) \\ & + \frac{f_{\pi}^2}{4} \left(\frac{\chi}{f_d} \right)^2 \text{Tr} \left[\partial_{\mu} \; \Sigma^{\dagger} \; \partial_{\mu} \Sigma \right] + \frac{f_{\pi}^2 \; m_{\pi}^2}{4} \left(\frac{\chi}{f_d} \right)^{y} \text{Tr} \left(\; \Sigma + \Sigma^{\dagger} \; \right) \end{split}$$

- $y = 3 \gamma$, γ : mass anomalous dimension
- $\chi(x) = f_d e^{\sigma(x)/f_d}$, $\sigma(x)$: Dilaton field
- $\Sigma = e^{i \pi^a \tau^a / f_{\pi}}$: $\tau^a = \text{Pauli matrices}, m_{\pi}^2 = 2B_{\pi}m$

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- Two representative forms of *V* are possible
 - V_d : Deformation of CFT parametrically

[e.g. M. Golterman and Y. Shamir, Phys. Rev. D94 (2016) 054502]

• V_{σ} : Linear- σ model inspired potential

[T. Appelquist et al, JHEP 07 (2017) 035; T. Appelquist et al, JHEP 07 (2018) 039; W. D. Goldberger et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100 (2008) 111802 [

$$V_d = \frac{m_d^2}{16f_d^2} \chi^4 \left(4\ln\frac{\chi}{f_d} - 1\right), \ V_\sigma = \frac{m_d^2}{8f_d^2} \left(\chi^2 - f_d^2\right)^2$$

- Our previous study on the models cannot distinguish the two [Pos LATTICE2019 (2020) 246]
- A parameterized version interpolating between the two limits was proposed
 [T. Appelquist et al. Phys. Rev. D 101. 075025 (2020); Z. Chacko & R. K. Mishra, Phys. Rev. D 87, no. 11, 115006 (2013)]

$$V_{\Delta}(\chi) \equiv rac{m_d^2 \ \chi^4}{4(4-\Delta) \ f_d^2} \left[1 - rac{4}{\Delta} \left(rac{\chi}{f_d}
ight)^{\Delta-4}
ight],$$

 $\lim_{\Delta \to 4} V_{\Delta} = V_d$, $\lim_{\Delta \to 2} V_{\Delta} = V_{\sigma}$ (up to an irrelevant additive constant)

 \bullet It is suggested that near conformal models can be described by the EFT with some values of Δ

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Tests on near conformal gauge theories

Task: Test the dilaton effective theory against data from two near conformal theories

- SU(3) with $N_f = 2$ fermions in two-index symmetric (Sextet) representation
 - "Sextet" dataset:
 - Gauge action: tree-level Symanzik-improved
 - Fermion action: 2-step $\rho = 0.15$ stout-smeared staggered fermion in sextet representation
- SU(3) with $N_f = 8$ fermions in Fundamental representation
 - "LSD" dataset:

[LSD Collaboration, Phys. Rev. D 99, 014509 (2019)]

- Gauge action: fundamental and adjoint plaquette terms with couplings $\beta_A/\beta_F = -0.25$
- Fermion action: improved nHYP-smeared staggered fermions with smearing parameters $\alpha = (0.5, 0.5, 0.4)$
- "KMI" dataset:

[LatKMI collaboration, Phys. Rev. D 96, 014508 (2017)]

- Gauge action: tree-level Symanzik-improved
- Fermion action: Highly Improved Staggered Quarks (HISQ) action
- In a higher fermion mass range than "LSD" dataset

Compare with previous similar studies of other groups [T. Appelquist et al; M. Golterman et al]

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- Tree level predictions :
 - V-independent scaling relation : $0 = \left(\frac{F_{\pi}}{f_{\pi}}\right)^{(\gamma-1)} M_{\pi}^2 2 B_{\pi} m$
 - Expanding: $\frac{f_{\pi}^2 m_{\pi}^2}{4} \left(\frac{\chi}{f_d}\right)^y \operatorname{Tr}\left(\Sigma + \Sigma^{\dagger}\right) = \frac{N_f m_{\pi}^2 f_{\pi}^2}{2} \left(\frac{\chi}{f_d}\right)^y + \dots,$ One can define:

 $W(\chi) \equiv V_{\Delta}(\chi) - (N_f m_{\pi}^2 f_{\pi}^2 / 2) (\chi / f_d)^{y}$

requiring
$$W'(F_d) = 0$$
, $W''(F_d) = M_d^2$: (Defining $\delta \equiv 4 - \Delta$)

$$\delta \neq 0: \ 0 = \left(\frac{M_{\pi}}{F_{\pi}}\right)^{2} (3 - \gamma) N_{f} \ \delta - 2\left(\frac{m_{d} f_{d}}{f_{\pi}} \frac{f_{d}}{f_{\pi}}\right)^{2} \left(1 - \left(\frac{f_{\pi}}{F_{\pi}}\right)^{\delta}\right),$$

$$0 = \left(\frac{M_{d}}{f_{\pi}} \frac{f_{\pi}}{m_{d}}\right)^{2} \delta - \left(1 + \gamma + (\delta - 1 - \gamma)\left(\frac{f_{\pi}}{F_{\pi}}\right)^{\delta}\right)$$

$$\delta = 0: \ 0 - F^{(1+\gamma)} \ln\left(\frac{F_{\pi}}{F_{\pi}}\right) \left(\frac{f_{d}}{F_{\pi}} \frac{m_{d}}{F_{\pi}}\right)^{2} - (3 - \gamma) m N_{c} R_{\sigma} f^{(\gamma-1)}$$

$$\delta = 0: \ 0 = F_{\pi}^{(1+\gamma)} \ln \left(\frac{F_{\pi}}{f_{\pi}} \right) \left(\frac{f_d}{f_{\pi}} \frac{m_d}{f_{\pi}} \right)^2 - (3 - \gamma) \ m \ N_f \ B_{\pi} f_{\pi}^{(\gamma - 1)},$$

$$0 = \left(\frac{F_{\pi}}{M_{\pi}} \right)^2 \left(3 \ln \left(\frac{F_{\pi}}{f_{\pi}} \right) + 1 \right) 2 \left(\frac{f_d}{f_{\pi}} \frac{m_d}{f_{\pi}} \right)^2 - 2 \left(\frac{f_d}{f_{\pi}} \frac{M_d}{M_{\pi}} \right)^2 - (2 - \gamma) (3 - \gamma) N_f$$

 $M_{\pi}(m), F_{\pi}(m), M_d(m)$: pion masses, pion decay constants and 0^{++} masses at $m_{6/2}$

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- Inputs at each m: $X^{\text{data}}(m) \equiv \{M_{\pi}, F_{\pi}, M_d\}|_{\text{data}}(m)$ measured at the largest volumes available (infinite volume limit is taken if possible) with their
- Parameters: $\theta \equiv \{f_{\pi}, B_{\pi}, \gamma, m_d/f_{\pi}, f_d/f_{\pi}\} (\delta \text{ is hold fixed})$
- In our previous studies for the cases at fixed $\delta=0$ and 2, the tree-level predictions were treated as constraints of θ and the fits were done by implicit maximum likelihood estimate (IMLE)
- Accidentally, the dimension of X is the same as the number of constraints $\Rightarrow X^{\theta}(m) \equiv \{M_{\pi}, F_{\pi}, M_d\}|_{\theta}(m)$ can indeed be obtained by direct inversion
- \Rightarrow simplifies to ordinary MLE

corresponding variances $\sigma^2(m)$

• θ is fitted by minimizing the weighted χ^2 :

$$\chi^2 \equiv \sum_{i,m} \frac{\left(X_i^{\mathrm{data}}(m) - X_i^{\theta}(m)\right)^2}{\sigma_i^2(m)}$$

• Analysis is done by scanning δ between -0.2 and 2. In addition, fits with δ included as the sixth parameter are also performed wherever possible.

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• Tree-level predictions on taste breaking pattern:

[M. Golterman et al, Phys.Rev.D 102, 034515 (2020)]

$$\begin{split} &\Delta(\Gamma_5) \equiv \Delta_P = \qquad 0 \qquad , \\ &\Delta(\Gamma_{\mu 5}) \equiv \Delta_A = \quad C_1 E(\gamma_1) + \quad 3 C_3 E(\gamma_3) + \quad C_4 E(\gamma_4) + \quad 3 C_6 E(\gamma_6), \\ &\Delta(\Gamma_{\mu \nu}) \equiv \Delta_T = \qquad \qquad 2 C_3 E(\gamma_3) + \quad 2 C_4 E(\gamma_4) + \quad 4 C_6 E(\gamma_6), \\ &\Delta(\Gamma_\mu) \equiv \Delta_V = \quad C_1 E(\gamma_1) + \quad C_3 E(\gamma_3) + \quad 3 C_4 E(\gamma_4) + \quad 3 C_6 E(\gamma_6), \\ &\Delta(\Gamma_I) \equiv \Delta_S = \qquad \qquad 4 C_3 E(\gamma_3) + \quad 4 C_4 E(\gamma_4) \end{split}$$

where
$$\Delta(\Gamma_i) \equiv a^2(M_{\Gamma_i}^2 - M_{\pi}^2)$$
, $E(\gamma_i) \equiv \left(\frac{F_{\pi}}{f_{\pi}}\right)^{4-\gamma_i}$

- X extends to $X(m) \equiv \{M_{\pi}, F_{\pi}, M_d, \Delta_A, \Delta_T, \Delta_V, \Delta_S\}(m)$
- θ extends to $\theta \equiv \{f_{\pi}, B_{\pi}, \gamma, m_d/f_{\pi}, f_d/f_{\pi}, \gamma_1, \gamma_3, \gamma_4, \gamma_6, C_1, C_3, C_4, C_6\}$
- Dimension of X is still the same as number of constraints ⇒ inversion is still doable

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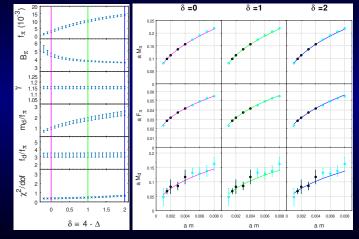
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SU(3) with $N_f = 2$ fermions in Sextet representation

• "Sextet" dataset $\beta = 3.20$



• Consistent with broad range of δ , with wide range of parameter values

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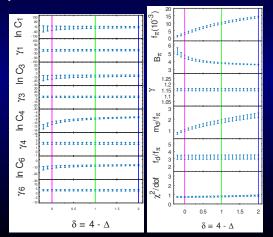
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SU(3) with $N_f = 2$ fermions in Sextet representation

• Taste-breaking effects can be taken into account, and the parameter values stay the same



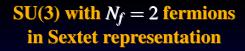
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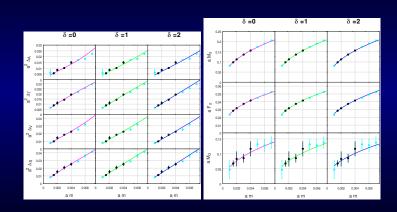
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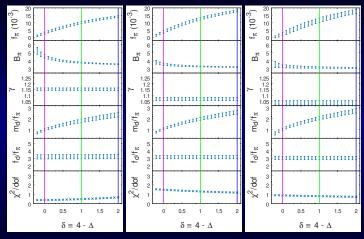
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• Similar results in different *m*-ranges, while γ seems to drift slowly



m = 0.0015 - 0.004

m = 0.003 - 0.007

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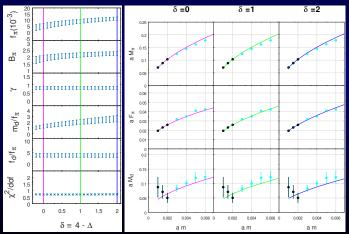
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SU(3) with $N_f = 2$ fermions in Sextet representation

- "Sextet" dataset $\beta = 3.25$
- Similar to $\beta = 3.20$



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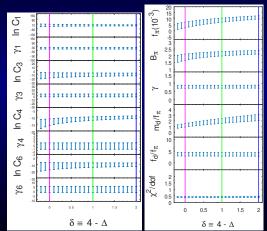
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SU(3) with $N_f = 2$ fermions in Sextet representation

• Fits including taste-breaking effects barely works



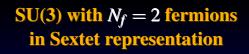
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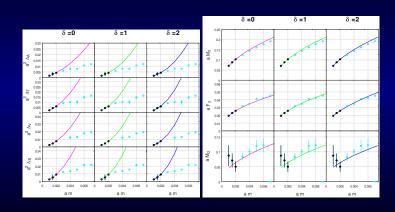
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SU(3) with $N_f = 8$ fermions in Fundamental representation

• For comparison with results from other groups, θ is redefined with other combinations of the parameters as follows:

$$d_0 \equiv 2 B_{\pi} f_{\pi}^{\gamma - 1}$$

$$d_1 \equiv \frac{4(3 - \gamma)}{(m_d/f_{\pi})^2 (f_d/f_{\pi})^2}$$

$$d_2 \equiv \frac{f_{\pi}^2}{2 B_{\pi}}$$

$$d_3 \equiv (m_d/f_{\pi})^2$$

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• "LSD" dataset: Consistent with a broad range of δ values

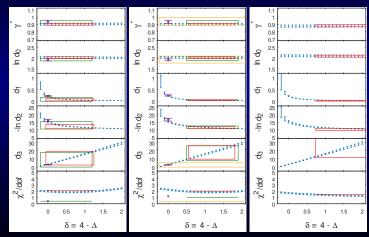
• γ does not change significantly in different m ranges

red: Fit with δ as the sixth parameter

green: M. Golterman and Y. Shamir, Phys. Rev. D 102, 114507 (2020)

orange: T. Appelquist et al, Phys. Rev. D 101, 075025 (2020)

violet: M. Golterman et al, Phys. Rev. D 102, 034515 (2020)



m = 0.00125 - 0.0075 m = 0.00125 - 0.00889 m = 0.00222 - 0.00889

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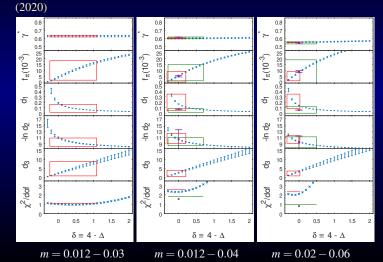
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- "KMI" dataset: Consistent with a broad range of δ values
- γ seems to depend on m range, but fits fail for most m ranges except some:

red: Fit with δ as the sixth parameter

green, violet: M. Golterman and Y. Shamir, Phys. Rev. D 102, 114507



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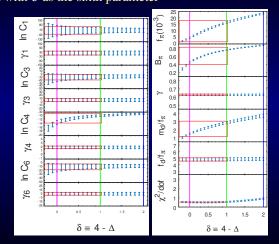
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Taste breaking effects can be included into the fit for m = 0.012 - 0.03
 red: Fit with δ as the sixth parameter



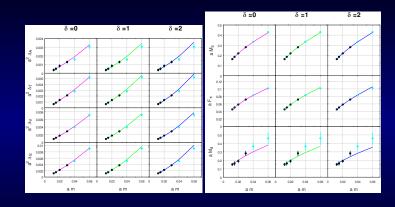
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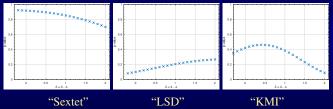
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- The dilaton EFT is tested against two near conformal theories using three datasets:
 - SU(3) gauge theory with $N_f = 2$ in sextet representation
 - SU(3) gauge theory with $N_f = 8$ in fundamental representation
- All datasets are consistent with a broad range of δ values. More data is needed in order to narrow it down.



Possible improvement:

[M. Golterman et al, Phys. Rev. D 102, 114507 (2020), Phys. Rev. D 102,034515 (2020)]

It is suggested that due to hyperscaling, γ becomes m dependent as m increases

• There are more ongoing works