

dark matter on the lattice

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lattice QCD studies of $\langle N | m_s \bar{s} s | N \rangle$

Perhaps dark matter is a WIMP (weakly-interacting massive particle).
WIMP detection requires knowledge of WIMP-nucleon interactions.

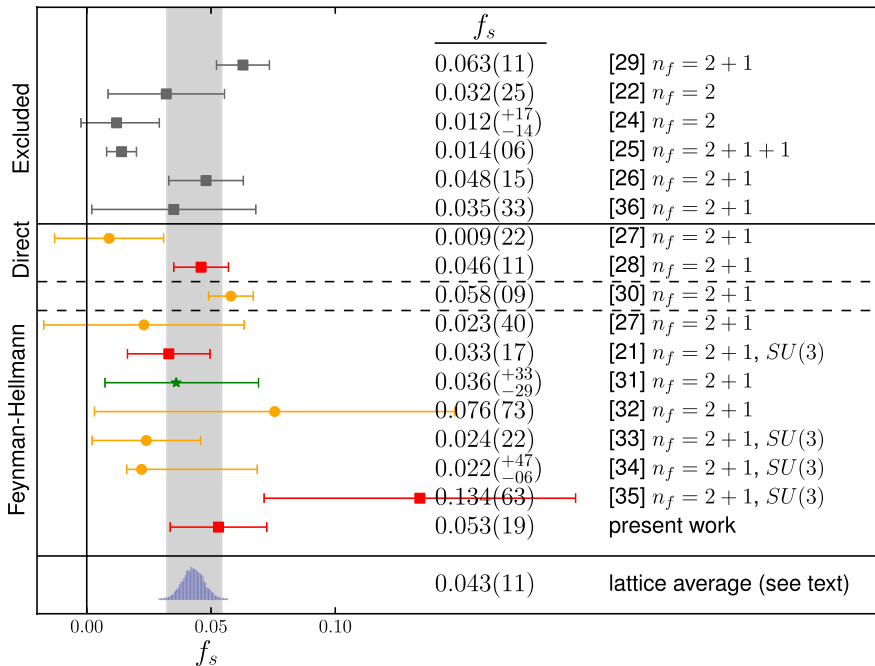
The low-energy limit of a spin-independent interaction is scalar.
The scalar coupling to strangeness in a nucleon has been a challenge for theory.

Lattice QCD can determine the necessary matrix element, $f_s = \frac{\langle N | m_s \bar{s} s | N \rangle}{m_N}$.

Recent lattice results indicate that f_s is smaller than some previous estimates.

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Graph taken from Junnarkar and Walker-Loud, Phys Rev D87, 114510 (2013)



putting dark matter directly on the lattice

Dark matter is a BSM particle. Suppose it comes with a new strong interaction.

SU(2) gauge theory with 2 fundamental fermions is a minimal example.

- contains a dark matter candidate.
- produces electroweak symmetry breaking.
- accommodates a 125 GeV scalar.

Dynamical symmetry breaking, $SU(4) \rightarrow Sp(4)$, gives 5 Goldstone bosons:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \bar{U}\gamma_5 D \\ \bar{D}\gamma_5 U \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\bar{U}\gamma_5 U - \bar{D}\gamma_5 D) \end{array} \right\} \text{ eaten by } W^\pm \text{ and } Z$$

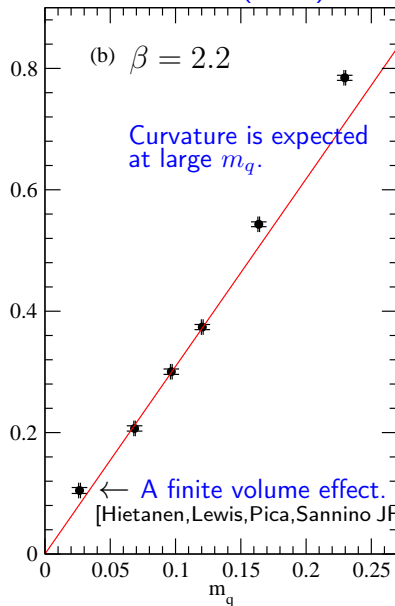
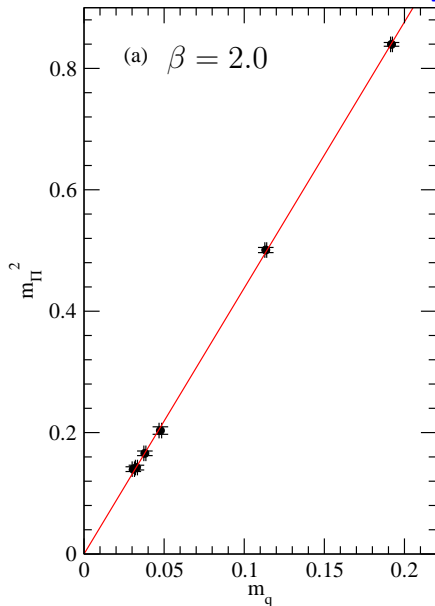
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} U^T(-i\sigma^2 C)\gamma_5 D \\ \bar{U}(-i\sigma^2 C)\gamma_5 \bar{D}^T \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{either } \textit{light} \text{ asymmetric dark matter (technicolor limit)} \\ \text{or Higgs} + \textit{heavier} \text{ dark matter (little Higgs limit)} \\ \text{or an interpolation between these two limits} \end{array}$$

observing the Goldstone bosons in $N_c=N_f=2$

The expected behavior, $m_\Pi^2 \propto m_q$ for small m_q , is observed.

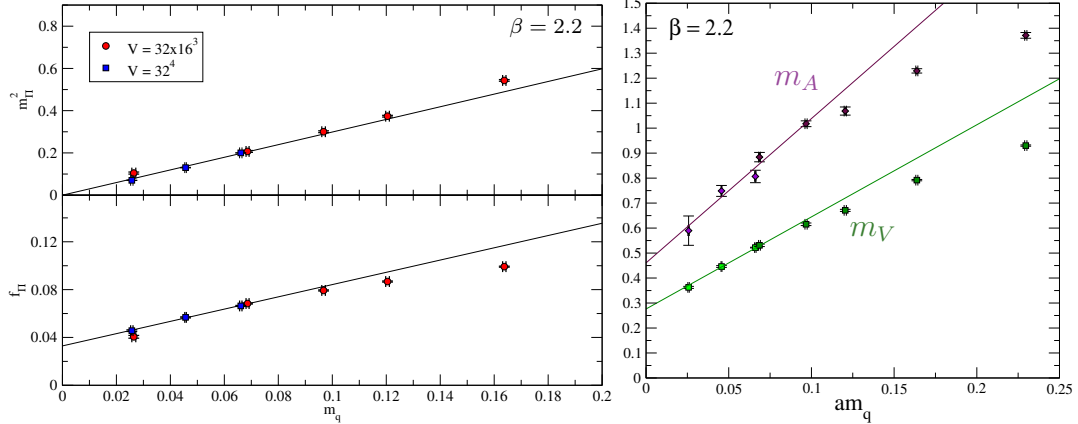
These plots apply to all five Goldstone bosons.

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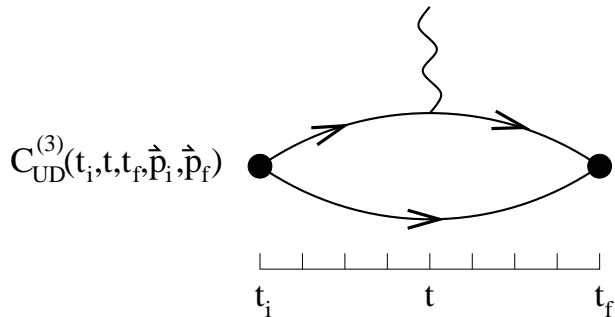


observing light hadrons in $N_c=N_f=2$

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relationships among Goldstone vector form factors in $N_c=N_f=2$



$$C_{UD}^{(3)}(t_i, t, t_f, \vec{p}_i, \vec{p}_f) = T^U - T^D$$

$$C_{\overline{UD}}^{(3)}(t_i, t, t_f, \vec{p}_i, \vec{p}_f) = -T^U + T^D$$

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$$C_{\overline{UU}+\overline{DD}}^{(3)}(t_i, t, t_f, \vec{p}_i, \vec{p}_f) = 0$$

$$T^X = \sum_{\vec{x}_i, \vec{x}, \vec{x}_f} e^{-i(\vec{x}_f - \vec{x}) \cdot \vec{p}_f} e^{-i(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_i) \cdot \vec{p}_i} \left\langle 0 \left| \mathcal{O}_{UD}^{(\gamma_5)}(x_f) V_\mu^X(x) \mathcal{O}_{UD}^{(\gamma_5)\dagger}(x_i) \right| 0 \right\rangle$$

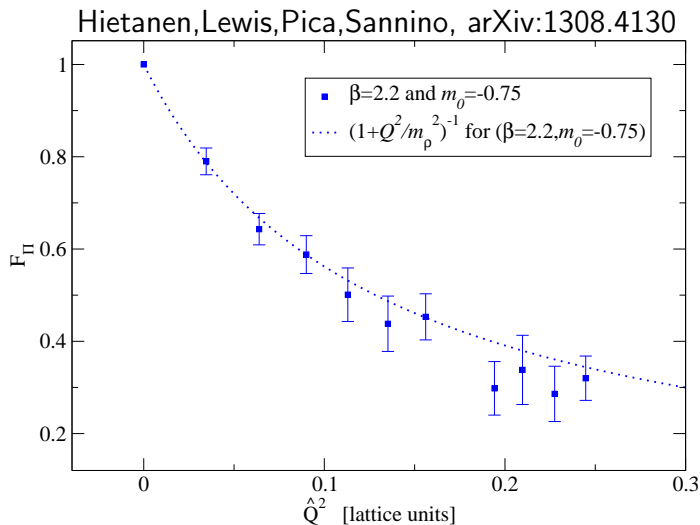
observing resonance saturation in $N_c=N_f=2$

Lattice simulations with $m_U \neq m_D$ are expensive

(photon hitting a vacuum loop doesn't cancel),

but with $m_U = m_D$ the dark matter form factor vanishes.

Resonance saturation relates T^U to T^D , and is seen in SU(2) lattice calculations:



dark matter scattering by photon exchange in $N_c=N_f=2$

The coupling is due to the charge radius,

$$\mathcal{L}_B = ie \frac{d_B}{\Lambda^2} \phi^* \overleftrightarrow{\partial}_\mu \phi \partial_\nu F^{\mu\nu}$$

and we can calculate explicitly,

$$\frac{d_B}{\Lambda^2} = \lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{Q^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{m_{\rho_U}^2}{m_{\rho_U}^2 + Q^2} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{m_{\rho_D}^2}{m_{\rho_D}^2 + Q^2} \right) = \frac{m_{\rho_U}^2 - m_{\rho_D}^2}{2m_{\rho_U}^2 m_{\rho_D}^2}$$

Therefore

$$\boxed{\Lambda = m_\rho} \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{d_B = \frac{m_{\rho_U} - m_{\rho_D}}{m_\rho}}$$

The cross section for scattering from a proton is

$$\sigma_p^\gamma = \frac{\mu^2}{4\pi} \left(\frac{8\pi\alpha d_B}{\Lambda^2} \right)^2 \quad \text{where} \quad \mu = \frac{m_\phi m_N}{m_\phi + m_N}$$

Given $m_\phi > m_N$ and $|d_B| < 1$, we find $\boxed{\sigma_p^\gamma < 2.3 \times 10^{-44} \text{ cm}^2}$.

adding the exchange of a composite Higgs

The dark matter candidate couples to a composite Higgs as follows:

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{d_1}{\Lambda} h \partial_\mu \phi^* \partial^\mu \phi + \frac{d_2}{\Lambda} m_\phi^2 h \phi^* \phi$$

We expect d_1 and d_2 to be of order unity.

The cross section for scattering from a proton is

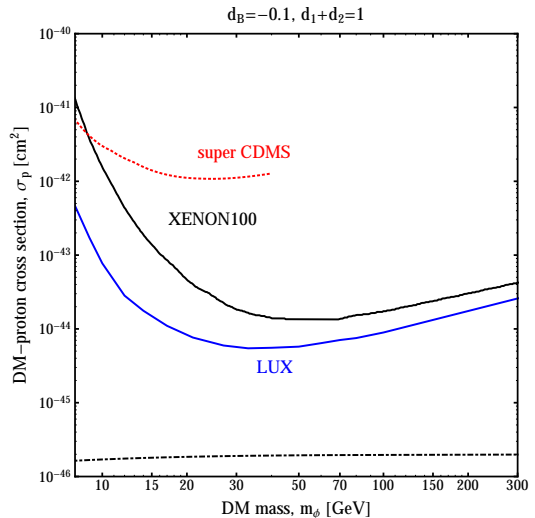
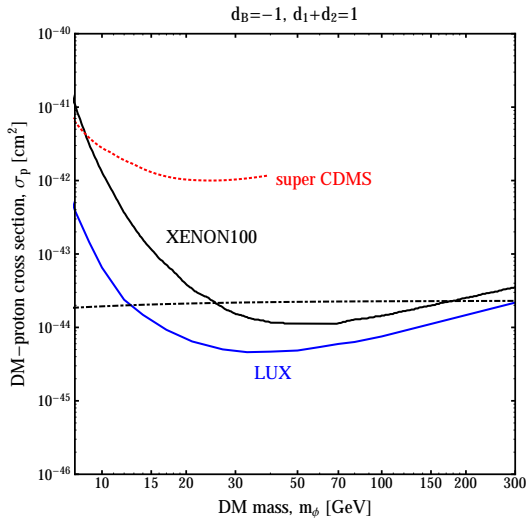
$$\sigma_p = \frac{\mu^2}{4\pi} \left(\underbrace{\frac{(d_1 + d_2) f m_N m_\phi^2}{m_H^2 m_\phi v_{EW} \Lambda}}_{f_n} + \frac{8\pi\alpha d_B}{\Lambda^2} \right)^2 \quad \text{where} \quad \mu = \frac{m_\phi m_N}{m_\phi + m_N}$$

The Higgs to nucleon coupling is parametrized by $f \sim 0.3$.

This cross section is thus a function of m_ϕ and d_B . Compare to experiment...

comparison of $N_c=N_f=2$ to experiments

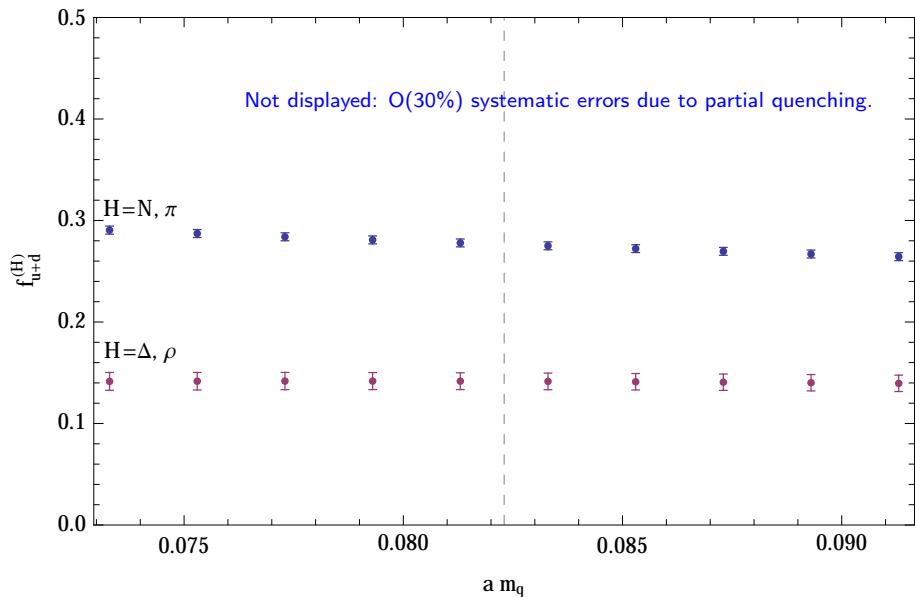
Hietanen, Lewis, Pica, Sannino, *preliminary*



scalar couplings in $N_c=N_f=2$

Detmold,McCullough,Pochinsky, arXiv:1406.4116

$$f_q^{(H)} = \frac{m_q}{M_H} \frac{\partial M_H}{\partial m_q} = \frac{\langle H | m_q \bar{q} q | H \rangle}{M_H}$$



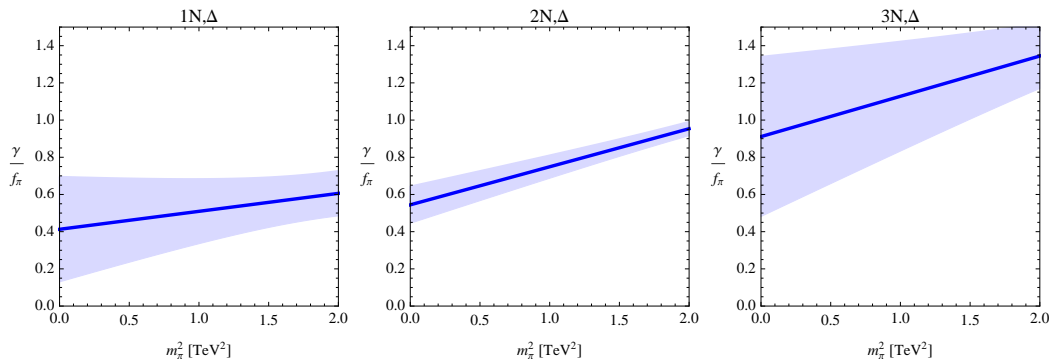
dark nuclei in $N_c=N_f=2$

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For scattering states, $\Delta E(L) \propto 1/L^3 + \dots$

For bound states,
$$\Delta E(L) = -\frac{\gamma^2}{2\mu} \left[1 + \frac{12\hat{C}}{\gamma L} e^{-\gamma L} \right]$$

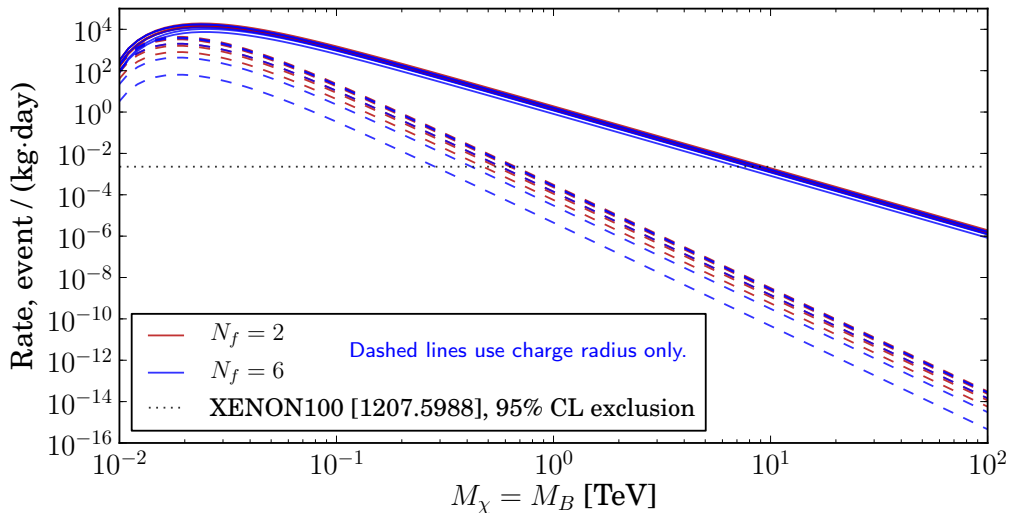
Bound states are observed for $J^P = 1^+$ in $N\Delta$ and $NN\Delta$ and perhaps $NNN\Delta$:



(This study uses $m_\rho/2 < m_\pi < m_\rho$ and $f_\pi = 246$ GeV.)

Event rate for XENON100 from a $N_c=3$ dark matter model

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All dark quarks are weak singlets. $Q_U = \frac{2}{3}$, $Q_D = -\frac{1}{3}$. Disconnected lines omitted.

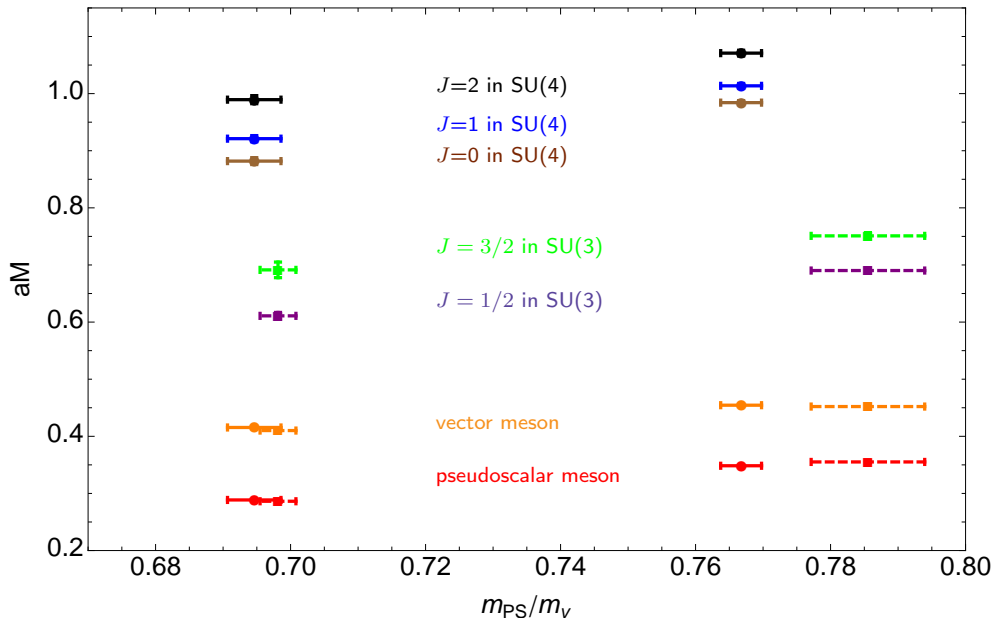
The $N_f^2 - 1$ Goldstones are assumed unstable so “neutron” is the DM candidate.

Caution: $\langle r_E^2 \rangle_{\text{neutron}} \approx \text{experiment}/10$. Decreasing m_q might clarify this.

hadron mass spectrum in $N_c = 4$ dark matter model

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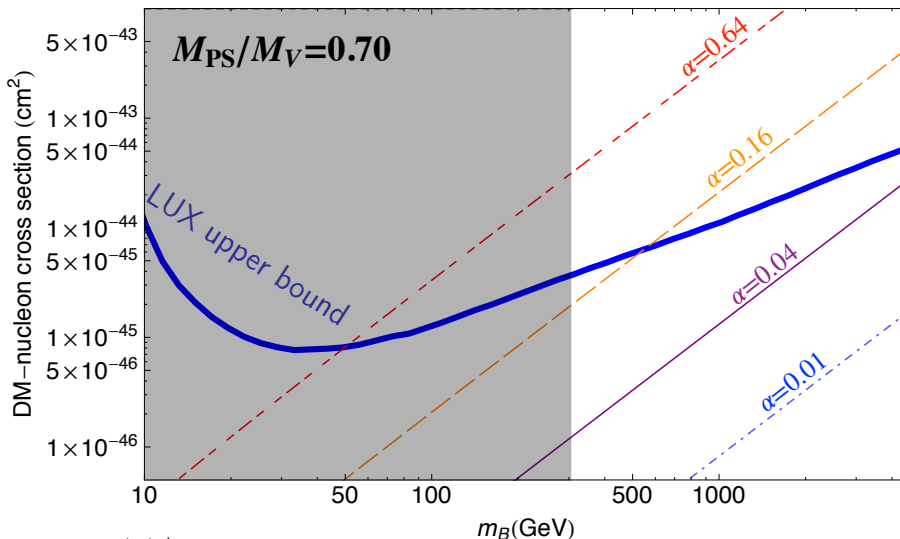
This is a quenched exploration. It has $m_f \sim \Lambda_4$.



bounds on fermion-Higgs coupling in $N_c = 4$ dark matter model

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This is a quenched exploration. It requires $m_{\text{PS}} > 100$ GeV due to LEP.



$$\alpha = \left. \frac{v}{m_f} \frac{\partial m_f(h)}{\partial h} \right|_{h=v}$$

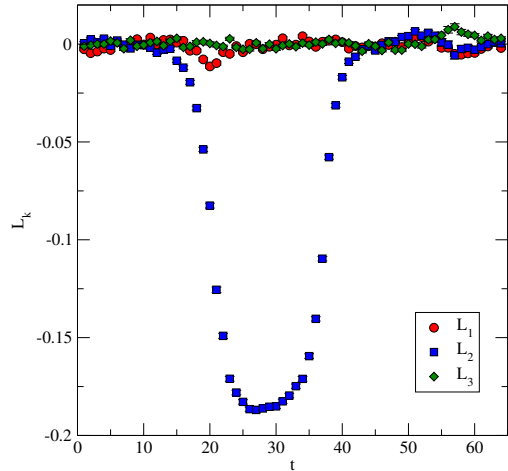
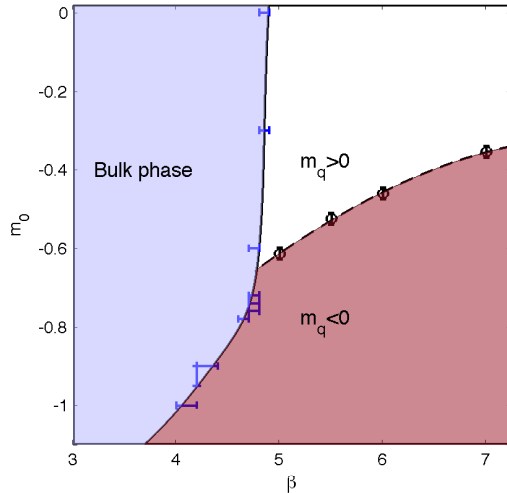
is the coupling of a dark baryon to the Higgs.

Lattice spacing, volume, and some range of m_{PS}/m_V were studied.

phase structure of $SO(4)$ with 2 vector fermions

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lattice dark matter beyond $SU(N)$: step one is to explore the phases.



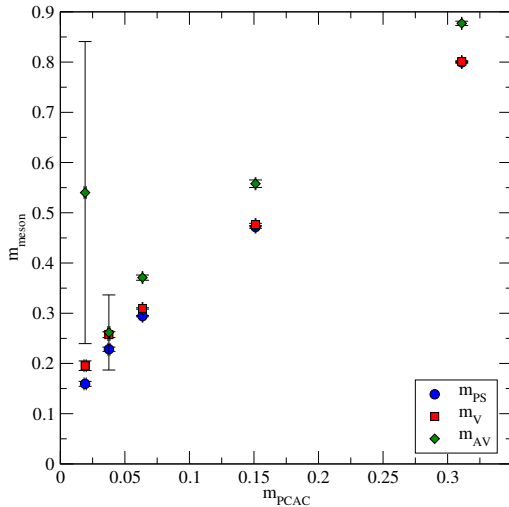
Surprising Polyakov multi-phase phenomenon not observed for larger volumes.

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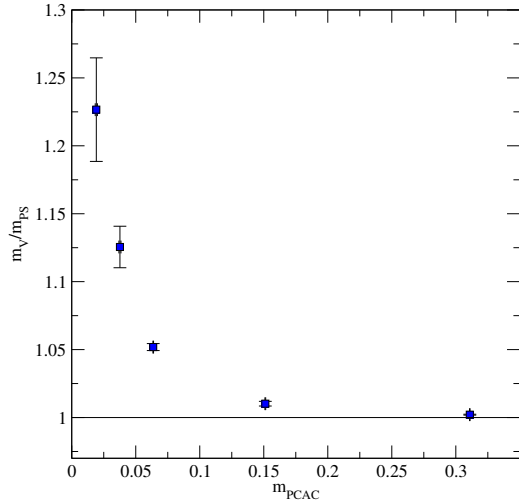
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Expected global symmetry breaking is $SU(4) \rightarrow SO(4)$. Therefore 9 Goldstones.
The isospin=0 Goldstone boson is the **dark matter candidate**.

meson masses



chiral symmetry breaking



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