

# Lattice gauge theory for composite Higgs

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# Plan for this talk

## Main goal

“Demystify” some aspects of lattice calculations  
to encourage more interplay between lattice and continuum pheno

- 1 Essential features of the lattice approach
- 2 Selected applications to composite Higgs framework
  - Composite spectrum  
( $\mathcal{O}(100 \text{ GeV})$  Higgs boson with 2–3 TeV resonances)
  - Low-energy constants of effective theory  
( $S$  parameter smaller than scaled-up QCD)
  - Anomalous dimensions (Large  $\gamma_m(\mu)$  over wide range of scales)

# Additional resources

There are typically 20–30 BSM talks at the annual Lattice conference  
plus a plenary review of progress and prospects

An extended version of the most recent review  
appeared in the Snowmass 2013 proceedings [[arXiv:1309.1206](https://arxiv.org/abs/1309.1206)]



The 32nd International Symposium on Lattice Field Theory

LATTICE2014 - (other **lattice** conferences)

23-28 June, 2014  
Columbia University New York, NY

Physics Beyond the Standard Model

**Models of Walking Technicolor on the Lattice**  
PoS(LATTICE2014)239 **pdf** *D. Sinclair and J.B. Kogut*

**Phase Structure Study of SU(2) Lattice Gauge Theory with 8 flavours**  
PoS(LATTICE2014)240 **pdf** *C.Y.H. Huang, C.J.D. Lin, K. Ogawa, H. Ohki and E. Rinaldi*

**SU(2) gauge theory with many flavors of domain-wall fermions**  
PoS(LATTICE2014)241 **pdf** *H. Matsuferu, K. Nagai and N. Yamada*

**Approaching Conformality**  
PoS(LATTICE2014)242 **pdf** *M.P. Lombardo, K. Miura, T. Nunes da Silva and E. Pallante*

**Walking technicolor: testing infra-red conformality with exact results in two dimensions**  
PoS(LATTICE2014)243 **pdf** *O. Akerlund and P. de Forcrand*

**Toward the minimal realization of a light composite Higgs**  
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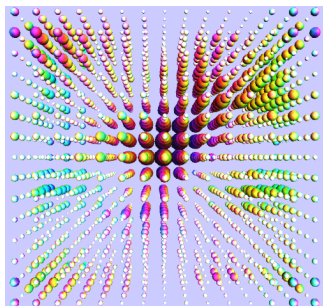
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High Energy Physics - Lattice

## Lattice Gauge Theories at the Energy Frontier

Thomas Appelquist, Richard Brower, Simon Catterall, George Fleming, Joel Giedt,  
Anna Hasenfratz, Julius Kuti, Ethan Neil, David Schaich

# Essence of numerical lattice calculations



Evaluate observables from functional integral via importance sampling Monte Carlo

$$\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle = \frac{\int \mathcal{D}U \mathcal{O}(U) e^{-S[U]}}{\int \mathcal{D}U e^{-S[U]}}$$
$$\longrightarrow \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathcal{O}(U_n)$$

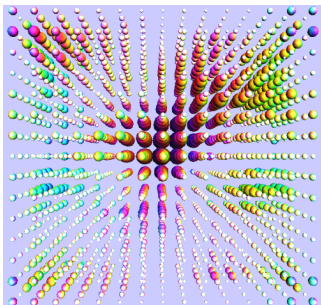
$U$  are field configurations in discretized euclidean spacetime

$S[U]$  is the action, which should be real and positive

so that  $e^{-S}$  can be treated as a probability distribution

The hybrid Monte Carlo algorithm samples  $U$  with probability  $\propto e^{-S}$

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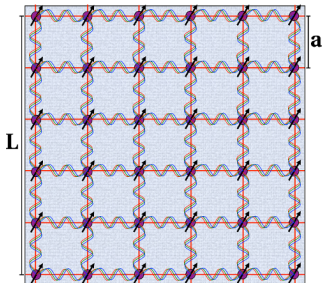
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After generating and saving an ensemble  $\{U_n\}$  distributed  $\propto e^{-S}$   
it is usually quick and easy to measure many observables  $\langle \mathcal{O} \rangle$

However, changing the action  $S$  requires generating a new ensemble

# Lattice action and physical limit



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$S$  includes **only** the new strong sector  
at UV cutoff scale  $\frac{1}{a}$  (inverse lattice spacing)

Electroweak (&c.) couplings incorporated  
after lattice calculation

The UV cutoff  $\frac{1}{a}$  is removed in the continuum limit  $a \rightarrow 0$

No electroweak  $\rightarrow$  uneaten Goldstones  $\rightarrow$  IR divergences

Typically regulate through bare fermion mass  $m$

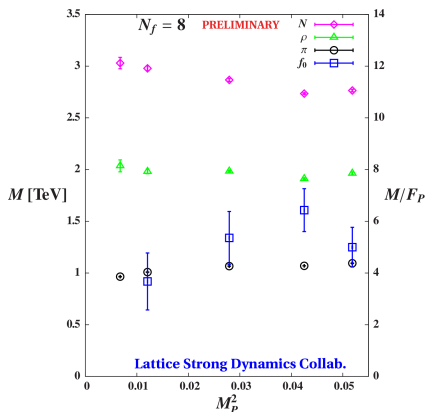
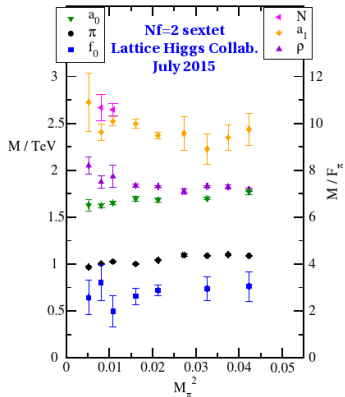
Requires extrapolation to chiral limit  $m \rightarrow 0$ ,  
which proves especially challenging in the composite Higgs context



# Light Higgs complicates chiral extrapolations

Recent lattice studies find light composite scalars

in several near-conformal systems [[arXiv:1403.5000](https://arxiv.org/abs/1403.5000), [arXiv:1502.00028](https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.00028)]

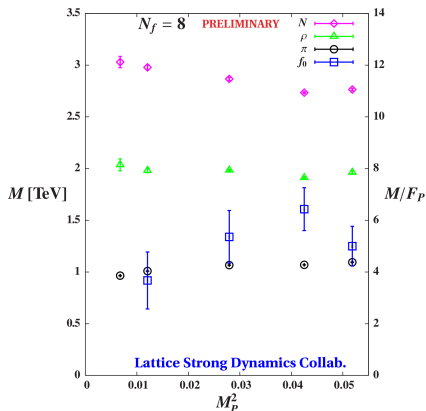
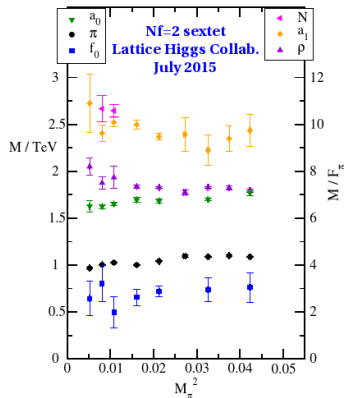


Dramatically different from QCD

Scalar lighter than or degenerate with pion!

# Light Higgs complicates chiral extrapolations

Typical chiral extrapolation integrates out everything except pions, can't reliably be applied to these data



Work in progress to extend chiral effective theory, but no solid approach yet

# Status of light composite Higgs from lattice

Without reliable chiral extrapolation we can only estimate

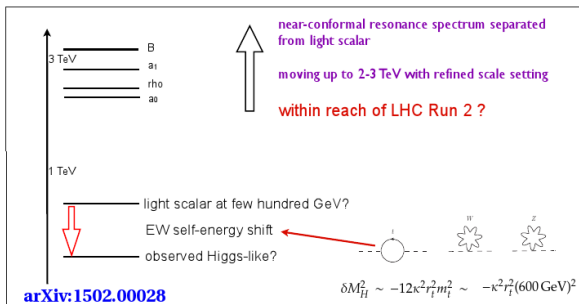
$$M_H \sim \text{few hundred GeV with uncontrolled uncertainty}$$

Much lighter than scaled-up QCD, still somewhat far from 125 GeV

Of course, we **shouldn't** get exactly 125 GeV

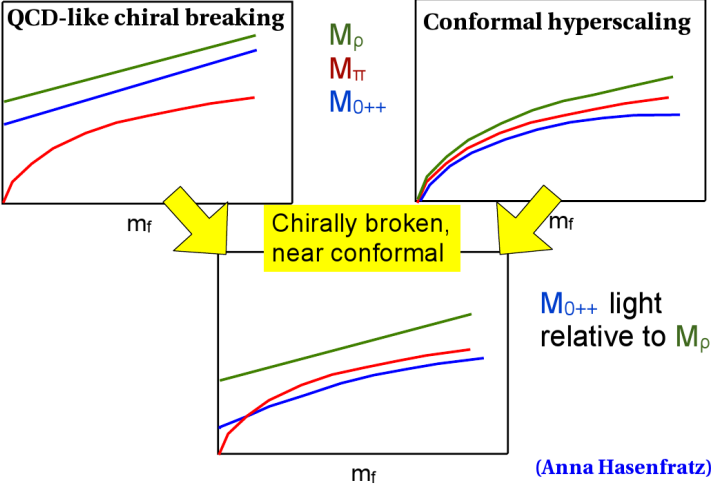
since we haven't yet incorporated electroweak & top corrections

These should reduce  $M_H$ , but not yet consensus on size of effect...

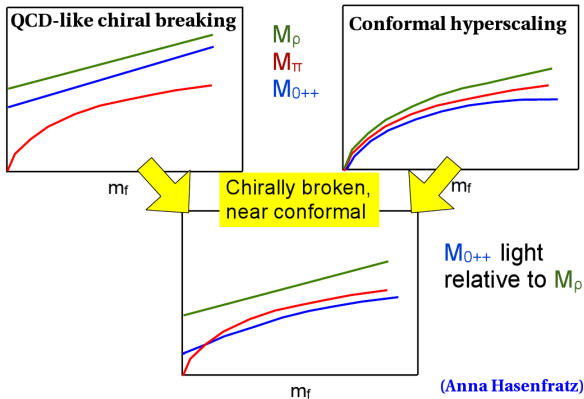


# Emerging picture of spectrum from lattice calculations

Light scalar likely related to near-conformal dynamics  
(unconfirmed interpretation as PNGB of approx. scale symmetry)



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Even if particular models considered so far are ruled out  
experience with near-conformal strong dynamics may prove invaluable

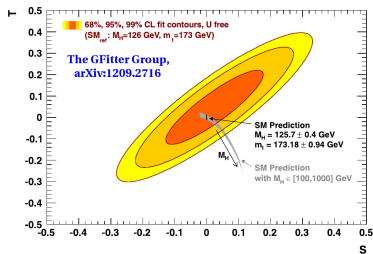
E.g.: Same UV theories can provide  $SU(N_F)^2/SU(N_F)$  PNBG Higgs  
[arXiv:1506.00623]

# Low-energy constants (LECs) of effective theory

Setting aside complications from the light Higgs,  
let's consider the traditional electroweak chiral lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_\chi$

Predicting LECs of the low-energy effective theory  
is a standard application of lattice gauge theory

Composite Higgs examples: the  $S$  parameter [[arXiv:1405.4752](https://arxiv.org/abs/1405.4752)]  
and WW scattering parameters [[arXiv:1201.3977](https://arxiv.org/abs/1201.3977)]



$S$  remains an important constraint  
on new strong dynamics

Experiment:  $S = 0.03 \pm 0.10$

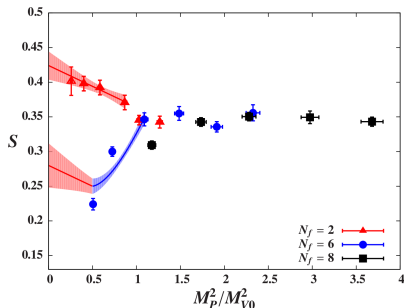
Scaled-up QCD:  $S \approx 0.43$

# The S parameter on the lattice

$$\mathcal{L}_\chi \ni \frac{\alpha_1}{2} g_1 g_2 B_{\mu\nu} \text{Tr} [U_{\tau 3} U^\dagger W^{\mu\nu}] \longrightarrow \gamma, Z \text{ (new) } \gamma, Z$$

$$S = -16\pi^2 \alpha_1 = 4\pi N_D \lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{dQ^2} \Pi_{V-A}(Q^2) - \Delta S_{SM}(M_H)$$

Lattice provides strong dynamics vacuum polarization  $\Pi_{V-A}(Q^2)$ ,  
 $N_D$  and  $\Delta S_{SM}(M_H)$  incorporate coupling to electroweak



$S = 0.42(2)$  for  $N_F = 2$   
 matches scaled-up QCD

Significant reduction for larger  $N_F$   
 approaching conformality

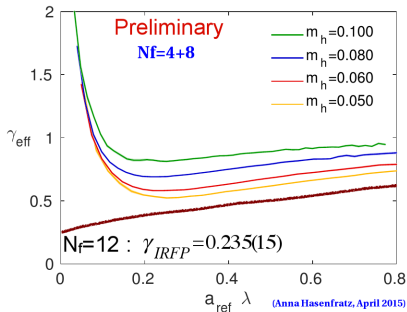
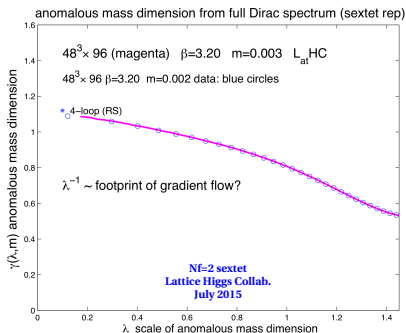
Chiral extrapolation becomes trickier

# Mass anomalous dimension $\gamma_m = 3 - d[\overline{\psi}\psi]$

Recently developed lattice methods predict scale-dependent  $\gamma_m$

Large  $\gamma_m \simeq 1$  over wide range of scales

helps new strong dynamics satisfy flavor constraints



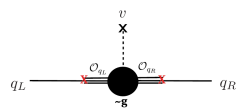
$N_F = 4+8$  applies emerging mixed-mass approach [[arXiv:1411.3243](https://arxiv.org/abs/1411.3243)]  
that improves control over chiral extrapolation



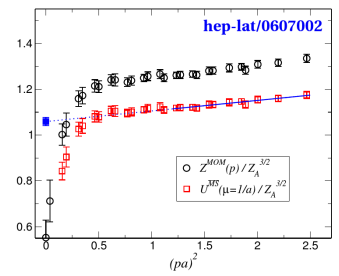
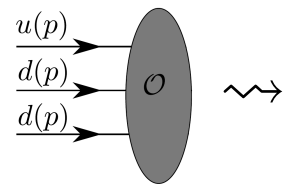
# Anomalous dimension $\gamma_3 = 4.5 - d[\psi\psi\psi]$

Fermionic  $\mathcal{O} \sim \psi\psi\psi$  of new strong dynamics  $\rightarrow$  top partners (&c.)

Flavor from partial compositeness,  
linear coupling  $\lambda_q q \mathcal{O}_q$  rather than  $m_q \bar{q} q \psi \bar{\psi}$



Standard lattice QCD methods of non-perturbative renormalization  
predict  $Z_{\mathcal{O}}(\mu)$  from which  $\gamma_{\mathcal{O}} = -\frac{d \log Z_{\mathcal{O}}(\mu)}{d \log \mu}$



Work underway to apply to near-conformal composite systems

# Recapitulation and outlook

## Lattice gauge theory

- Non-perturbative approach to study strong dynamics
- Many observables accessible for fixed UV completion
- Challenging extrapolation to chiral limit of near-conformal systems

## Selected applications to composite Higgs

- Composite spectrum featuring light scalar
- Low-energy constants including smaller  $S$  parameter
- Anomalous dimensions featuring large  $\gamma_m$

## A few future directions

- $d[\psi\psi\psi]$  for direct connection to partial compositeness
- Emerging studies of mixed-mass systems
- Explorations of (pseudo)real reps [[arXiv:1501.05665](https://arxiv.org/abs/1501.05665)]  
for  $SU(N)/Sp(N)$  and  $SU(N)/SO(N)$  cosets

# Thank you!

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## Input, plots, &c.

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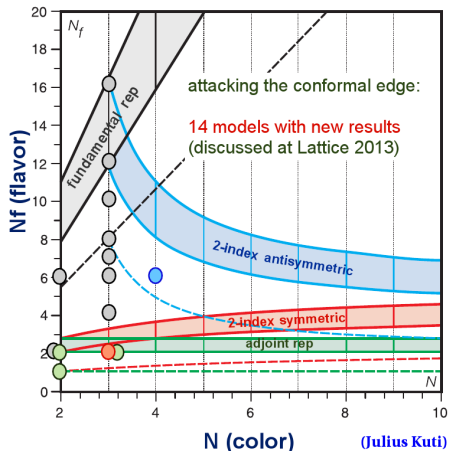
## Funding and computing resources



# Backup: Basic strategy for lattice studies beyond QCD

Systematically depart from solid ground of lattice QCD

( $N = 3$  with  $N_F = 2$  light flavors in fundamental rep)

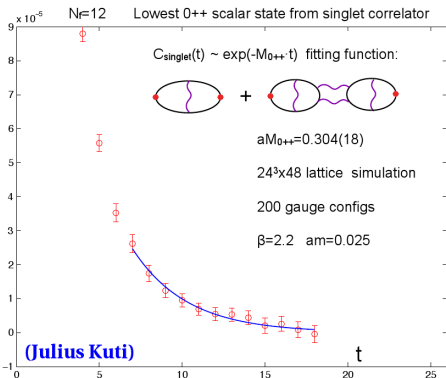


- Add more light flavors  
→  $N_F = 8$  fundamental
- Enlarge fermion rep  
→  $N_F = 2$  two-index symmetric
- Explore  $N = 2$  and 4  
→ (pseudo)real reps for cosets  $SU(N)/Sp(N)$  and  $SU(N)/SO(N)$

# Backup: Technical lattice challenge for Higgs mass

Since only the new strong sector is included in the lattice calculation, the Higgs mixes with the vacuum

⇒ Signal-to-noise problem → large uncertainties in Higgs mass



Fermion propagator computation  
is relatively expensive

“Disconnected diagrams”  
need propagators at all  $L^4$  sites

In practice compute simultaneously  
(stochastically)

→ results fairly noisy

## Backup: Electroweak chiral lagrangian

At leading order  $\mathcal{L}_\chi = \frac{F^2}{4} \text{Tr} [D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U] + \frac{F^2 B}{2} \text{Tr} [m (U + U^\dagger)]$

With  $T \equiv U\tau_3 U^\dagger$  and  $V_\mu \equiv (D_\mu U) U^\dagger$ , next-to-leading order includes

**oblique corrections**  $S \propto \alpha_1$ ,  $T \propto \beta_1$ ,  $U \propto \alpha_8$

**triple gauge vertices** and dominant contributions to **WW scattering**:

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \frac{\alpha_1}{2} g_1 g_2 B_{\mu\nu} \text{Tr} (TW^{\mu\nu})$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \frac{i\alpha_2}{2} g_1 B_{\mu\nu} \text{Tr} (T [V^\mu, V^\nu])$$

$$\mathcal{L}_3 = i\alpha_3 g_2 \text{Tr} (W_{\mu\nu} [V^\mu, V^\nu])$$

$$\mathcal{L}_4 = \alpha_4 \{ \text{Tr} (V_\mu V_\nu) \}^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_5 = \alpha_5 \{ \text{Tr} (V_\mu V^\mu) \}^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_6 = \alpha_6 \text{Tr} (V_\mu V_\nu) \text{Tr} (TV^\mu) \text{Tr} (TV^\nu)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_7 = \alpha_7 \text{Tr} (V_\mu V^\mu) \text{Tr} (TV_\mu) \text{Tr} (TV^\nu)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_8 = \frac{\alpha_8}{4} g_2^2 \{ \text{Tr} (TW_{\mu\nu}) \}^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_9 = \frac{i\alpha_9}{2} g_2 \text{Tr} (TW_{\mu\nu}) \text{Tr} (T [V^\mu, V^\nu])$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{10} = \frac{\alpha_{10}}{2} \{ \text{Tr} (TV_\mu) \text{Tr} (TV_\nu) \}^2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{11} = \alpha_{11} g_2 \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} \text{Tr} (TV_\mu) \text{Tr} (V_\nu W_{\rho\lambda})$$

$$\mathcal{L}'_1 = \frac{\beta_1}{4} g_2^2 F^2 \{ \text{Tr} (TV_\mu) \}^2$$

## Backup: Vacuum polarization is just current correlator

$$S = 4\pi N_D \lim_{Q^2 \rightarrow 0} \frac{d}{dQ^2} \Pi_{V-A}(Q^2) - \Delta S_{SM}(M_H)$$



$$\Pi_{V-A}^{\mu\nu}(Q) = Z \sum_x e^{iQ \cdot (x + \hat{\mu}/2)} \text{Tr} \left[ \langle \mathcal{V}^{\mu a}(x) V^{\nu b}(0) \rangle - \langle \mathcal{A}^{\mu a}(x) A^{\nu b}(0) \rangle \right]$$

$$\Pi^{\mu\nu}(Q) = \left( \delta^{\mu\nu} - \frac{\hat{Q}^\mu \hat{Q}^\nu}{\hat{Q}^2} \right) \Pi(Q^2) - \frac{\hat{Q}^\mu \hat{Q}^\nu}{\hat{Q}^2} \Pi^L(Q^2) \quad \hat{Q} = 2 \sin(Q/2)$$

- Renormalization constant  $Z$  evaluated non-perturbatively  
 Chiral symmetry of domain wall fermions  $\implies Z = Z_A = Z_V$   
 $Z = 0.85$  [2f];       $0.73$  [6f];       $0.70$  [8f];       $0.71$  [10f]
- Conserved currents  $\mathcal{V}$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  ensure that lattice artifacts cancel



## Backup: Chiral perturbation theory for $\Pi_{V-A}(Q^2)$

$\Pi_{V-A}(Q^2)$  in hadronic  $\chi$ PT:

$$\Pi_{V-A}(M_{dd}^2, Q^2) = -F_P^2 - Q^2 \left[ 8L_{10}^r(\mu) + \frac{1}{24\pi^2} \left\{ \log \left[ \frac{M_{dd}^2}{\mu^2} \right] + \frac{1}{3} - H \left( \frac{4M_{dd}^2}{Q^2} \right) \right\} \right]$$

$$H(x) = (1+x) \left[ \sqrt{1+x} \log \left( \frac{\sqrt{1+x}-1}{\sqrt{1+x}+1} + 2 \right) \right]$$

Match with  $S = -16\pi^2\alpha_1$  in electroweak chiral lagrangian:

$$S(\mu, M_{ds}) = \frac{1}{12\pi} \left[ -192\pi^2 \left( L_{10}^r(\mu) + \frac{1}{384\pi^2} \left\{ \log \left[ \frac{M_{ds}^2}{\mu^2} \right] + 1 \right\} \right) + \log \left[ \frac{\mu^2}{M_H} \right] - \frac{1}{6} \right].$$

## Backup: More NLO chiral expansions

For general  $N_F$ ,

$$A = 2 - N_F + 2N_F^2 + N_F^3$$

$$M_{PaPP} = -\frac{2mB}{16\pi F^2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2} \left[ b_{PP} - 2\frac{N_F - 1}{N_F^2} + \frac{A}{N_F^2} \log\left(\frac{2mB}{\mu^2}\right) \right] \right\}$$

$$M_P^2 = 2mB \left\{ 1 + \frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2} \left[ b_M + \frac{1}{N_F} \log\left(\frac{2mB}{\mu^2}\right) \right] \right\}$$

$$F_P = F \left\{ 1 + \frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2} \left[ b_F - \frac{N_F}{2} \log\left(\frac{2mB}{\mu^2}\right) \right] \right\}$$

$$\langle \bar{\psi}\psi \rangle = \frac{F^2 2mB}{2m} \left\{ 1 + \frac{2mB}{(4\pi F)^2} \left[ b_C - \frac{N_F^2 - 1}{N_F} \log\left(\frac{2mB}{\mu^2}\right) \right] \right\}$$

- LECs  $b$  are all linear combinations of low-energy constants  $L_i$
- LECs' dependence on scale  $\mu$  cancels the corresponding logs
- $b_C$  includes “contact term”  $m\Lambda^2 \sim m/a^2$
- NNLO  $M_P^2$  coefficients enhanced by  $N_F^2$

(arXiv:0910.5424)

## Backup: EFT matching for WW scattering

- WW scattering guaranteed to contain information about EWSB
- Very direct probe (though **not** easiest) at LHC
- On the lattice, restricted to **low-energy** scattering

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EFT

EW  
EFT

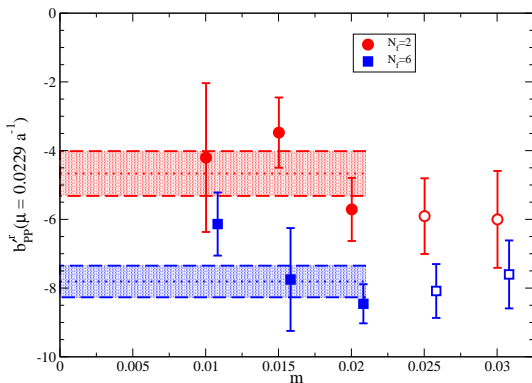
$$m_d \rightarrow 0$$
$$p^2 \ll M_{ds}^2, M_{ss}^2$$

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$$\frac{f^2}{4} \text{tr}(\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial^\mu U) + \alpha_5 [\text{tr}(\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial^\mu U)]^2 + \alpha_4 [\text{tr}(\partial_\mu U^\dagger \partial_\nu U)]^2$$

## Backup: Enhancement of WW scattering for $N_F = 6$

$b'_{PP} = -256\pi^2 [L_0 + 2L_1 + 2L_2 + L_3 - 2L_4 - L_5 + 2L_6 + L_8]$   
contains  $\alpha_4$  and  $\alpha_5$ , but we aren't able to isolate them



$$b'_{PP} = -4.67 \pm 0.65^{+1.08}_{-0.05} \quad (2f);$$

$$b'_{PP} = -7.81 \pm 0.46^{+1.23}_{-0.56} \quad (6f)$$

Larger  $|b'_{PP}|$  for  $N_F = 6$  corresponds to enhancement of WW scattering

# Backup: Philosophy of mixed-mass approach

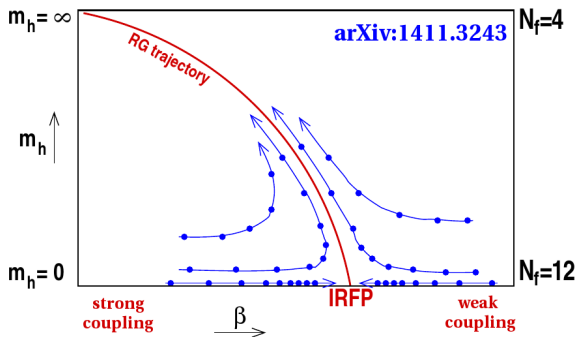
$N_F = N_\ell + N_h$  fermions, with light  $m_\ell \rightarrow 0$  at fixed  $m_h > 0$

Allows large  $N_F$  for approximate conformality

without introducing extra Goldstones

Reducing  $m_h$  extends the range of scales

over which theory is governed by conformal fixed point



Real-space RG flow lines  
(from UV to IR)

$\gamma_m$  above considered  
strong-coupling side  
→ "backward" flow