

# Efficiently unquenching QCD+QED at $O(\alpha)$

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## Unquenching at leading-order

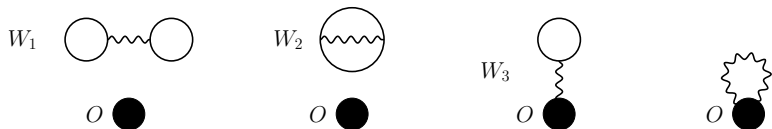
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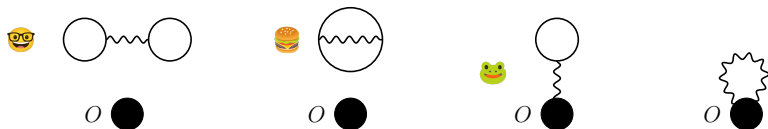
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## Short-distance dominance in the variance

The leading corrections are defined by fully-connected correlators

$$\langle OW_1 \rangle_{\text{conn}} = \langle OW_1 \rangle - \langle O \rangle \langle W_1 \rangle,$$

so that, in the Gaussian approximation, the variance factorizes

$$\sigma_{OW_1}^2 \approx \sigma_O^2 \sigma_{W_1}^2 + \langle OW_1 \rangle_{\text{conn}}^2 \approx \sigma_O^2 \sigma_{W_1}^2.$$

Therefore it's useful to analyse the variance of  $W_{1,2}$

$$\sigma_{W_{1,2}}^2 = \langle W_{1,2}^2 \rangle - \langle W_{1,2} \rangle^2,$$

which has a contact term when all fields coincide

$$a^{12} L^4 \underbrace{J_\mu A_\mu J_\nu A_\nu J_\rho A_\rho J_\sigma A_\sigma}_{a^{-16}} \sim \frac{L^4}{a^4} \mathbb{I} + \dots,$$

so is dominated by the short-distance contribution as  $a \rightarrow 0$ .

# Translation averaging

With translation averaging, short-distance contributions suppressed by  $(a/L)^4$

💡 Implement using stochastic estimators for the traces of quark propagators  $S$

$$H_1(x, y) = \sum_{f, g} Q_f Q_g \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \gamma_\mu S^f(x, x) \right\} \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \gamma_\mu S^g(y, y) \right\},$$



$$H_2(x, y) = - \sum_f Q_f^2 \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \gamma_\mu S^f(x, y) \gamma_\mu S^f(y, x) \right\}$$



which determine  $W_{1,2}$  by the convolution with photon propagator  $G$

$$W_{1,2} = -a^8 \sum_{x, y} H_{1,2}(x, y) G(x - y).$$

↪ avoid stochastic sampling of Maxwell action

# Single-propagator trace

$W_1$  and  $W_3$  contain the single traces

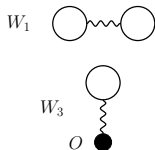
$$\sum_{f=u,d,s} Q_f \text{tr}\{\gamma_\mu S^f\} = \frac{1}{3} \text{tr}\{\gamma_\mu (S^{\text{ud}} - S^{\text{s}})\}$$

if  $m_u = m_d$  when  $e = 0$

Using identity  $S^{\text{ud}} - S^{\text{s}} = (m^{\text{s}} - m^{\text{ud}})S^{\text{ud}}S^{\text{s}}$

- the trace is suppressed by  $m^{\text{s}} - m^{\text{ud}}$
- the variance is finite  $a^{-4} \rightarrow (m^{\text{s}} - m^{\text{ud}})^4$
- an efficient *split-even* estimator is known for the trace (cf. one-end trick for TM)

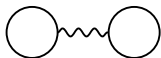
$$\mathcal{T}_i(x) = \frac{1}{3} (m^{\text{s}} - m^{\text{ud}}) \{\eta_i^\dagger S^{\text{ud}}\}(x) \gamma_\mu \{S^{\text{s}} \eta_i\}(x).$$



<sup>3</sup>L. Giusti et al. In: *Eur. Phys. J. C* 79.7 (2019), p. 586.

<sup>4</sup>P. Boucaud et al. In: *Comput. Phys. Commun.* 179 (2008), pp. 695–715.

## $W_1$ quark-line disconnected



The  $W_1$  contraction can be estimated as

$$\mathcal{W}_1 \approx \frac{1}{N_s(N_s - 1)} \sum_{i \neq j} \left( a^4 \sum_x \mathcal{T}_i(x) \right) \left( a^4 \sum_y \mathcal{T}_j(y) G(x - y) \right)$$

where the convolution  $\sum_y \mathcal{T}_j(y) G(x - y)$  can be computed efficiently with the FFT

Leading extra contribution to variance scales like  $1/N_s^2$

$$\sigma_{\mathcal{W}_1}^2 = \sigma_{W_1}^2 + \frac{1}{N_s^2} \# + \dots$$



# Numerical set-up

$L/a$	$T/a$	$m_\pi$	$m_\pi L$	$a$	$N_{\text{cfg}}$
24	64	340 MeV	4.9	0.12 fm	50

Table: C1 Ensemble

QCD configurations generated by the RBC/UKQCD configuration

- $N_f = 2 + 1$  domain-wall fermions  $\rightsquigarrow$  chiral regularization
- local discretization of the current (no new divergences)

In the following we use QED<sub>L</sub> in Feynman gauge

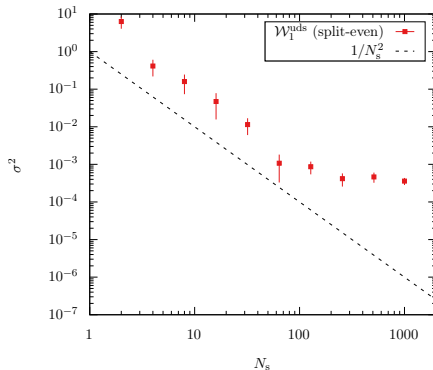
$$\tilde{G}(\hat{k}) = \frac{1}{\hat{k}^2} \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \quad \text{when} \quad \hat{k} = \mathbf{0}.$$

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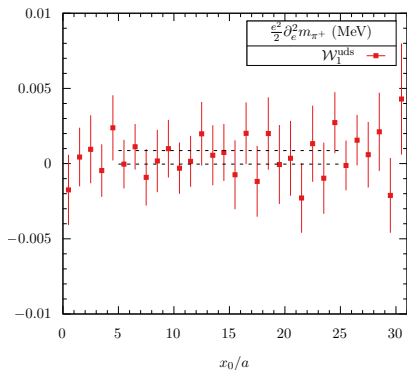
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## Numerical results $W_1$



- Scaling with  $N_s^{-2}$
- Saturation of gauge variance with  $N_s \sim O(100)$  inversions

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Correction to charged pion mass due to  $W_1$

$$\frac{e^2}{2} \partial_e^2 m_{\pi^+}^2 = 0.0004(0.0005) \text{ MeV}$$

## $W_2$ quark-line connected



Naïve stochastic estimator

$$\mathcal{H}_2(x, x+r) = \sum_f Q_f^2 \frac{1}{N_s(N_s-1)} \sum_{i \neq j} \text{tr}\{\gamma_\mu \Sigma_i^f(x, x+r) \gamma_\mu \Sigma_j^f(x+r, x)\},$$

$$\Sigma_i^f(x, x+r) = \{S^f \eta_i\}(x) \eta_i^\dagger(x+r)$$

can be computed efficiently for small number of  $r = x - y$

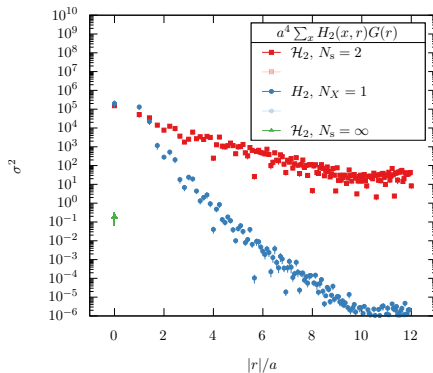
$\Rightarrow$  split estimator into  $|r| \leq R$  and  $|r| > R$  parts

$$W_2 = a^8 \sum_{|r| \leq R} \sum_x \mathcal{H}_2(x, x+r) G(r) + a^4 \frac{L^4}{N_X} \sum_{\{X\}} \sum_{|r| > R} H_2(X, X+r) G(r)$$

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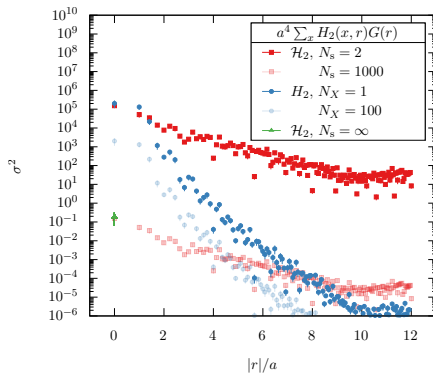
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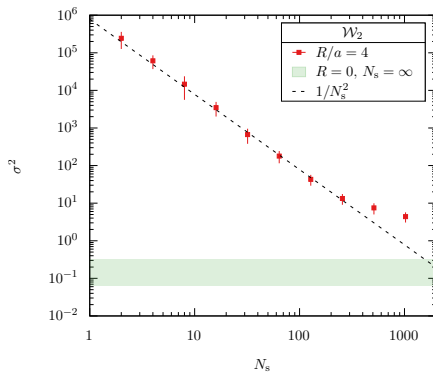
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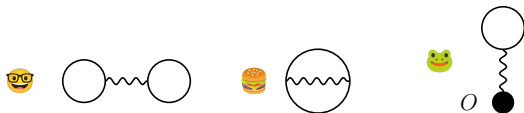
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# Conclusions



$W_{1,3}$  considering uds contribution + *split-even* estimator

- $\frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \partial_e^2 m_{\pi^+}^2 = 0.0004(0.0005) \text{ MeV}$

$W_2$  variance dominated by short distances  $\sigma_{W_2}^2 \sim a^{-4}$

- split in to short- and long-distance parts
- full translation averaging can be achieved with moderate cost

$W_{1,2}$  diagrams can be reused for any observable ( $g - 2, K_{\ell 2}, \dots$ )

$W_3$  diagrams require inversions for each observable



## Mass differences for domain-wall fermions

Recall the definition of  $\tilde{D}$  in terms of the 5D Wilson matrix

$$\tilde{D}^{-1} = (\mathcal{P}^{-1} D_5^{-1} R_5 \mathcal{P})_{11}$$

from which the result is obtained immediately

$$\tilde{D}_r^{-1} - D_s^{-1} = (m^s - m^r) (\mathcal{P} D_{5,r}^{-1} R_5 D_{5,s}^{-1} R_5)_{11}$$

by noting that the following matrix projects on the physical domain

$$(R_5)_{..} = (R_5 \mathcal{P})_{.1} (\mathcal{P}^{-1})_{1..}$$

The preceding identity is easily demonstrated using the explicit representations

$$R_5 = \begin{pmatrix} & P^+ \\ P^- & \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{P}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} P_- & & & P_+ \\ P_+ & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & P_+ & P_- \end{pmatrix},$$

and  $P_{\pm} = 1 \pm \gamma_5$ .

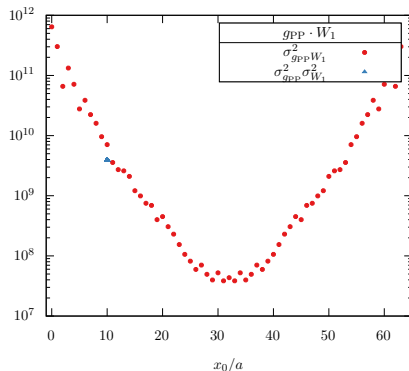
## Factorization of the variance

Check of factorization of the variance

$$\sigma_{OW_1}^2 \approx \sigma_O^2 \sigma_{W_1}^2,$$

for the connected correlator

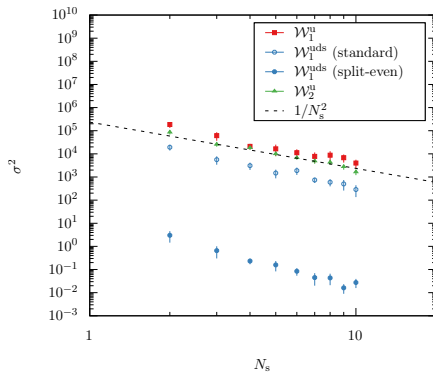
$$\langle OW_1 \rangle_{\text{conn.}} = \langle OW_1 \rangle - \langle O \rangle \langle W_1 \rangle, \quad O \equiv g_{\text{PP}}(x_0) = a^3 \sum_{\mathbf{x}} P^{12}(x) P^{21}(0)$$



(no charge factors included, bare current)

# Comparison of stochastic estimators

Comparison of stochastic estimators for  $W_1$  and  $W_2$



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