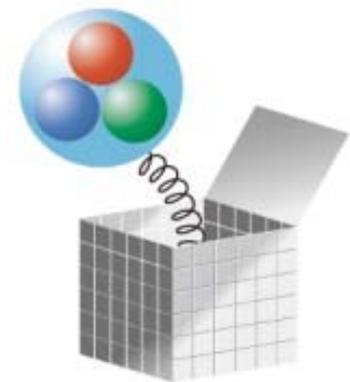


Pion form factor

Shoji Hashimoto (KEK)

@ “Hadron Physics on the Lattice,”

Milos, Greece, Sep 10, 2007.

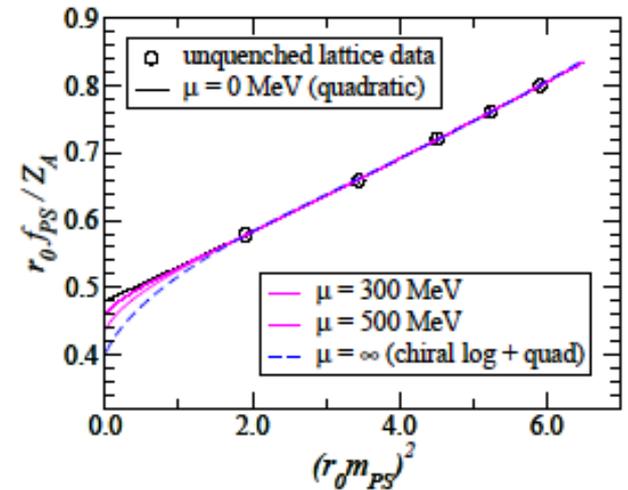


Lattice (want to) meet χ PT

Unquenched lattice QCD is now entering the region of χ PT.

- Was not sure, say 5 years ago.
 - Most likely due to too heavy sea quarks
 - Perhaps, also due to the broken chiral symmetry of Wilson fermion

JLQCD (2002)



$$\frac{f_\pi}{f} = 1 - \frac{N_f}{2} \frac{m_\pi^2}{(4\pi f)^2} \ln \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2 + m_\pi^2} + \dots$$



5 years back; many concerns

- Wilson fermion may contain fundamental problems near the chiral limit?
 - Exceptional configurations (trajectories)
 - ⇒ Not true in large enough volume (CERN)
 - (Unphysical) phase transition
 - ⇒ True, but only near the chiral limit for small enough a (Sharpe-Shingleton, preETMC, ...)
 - Cost scales too badly $\sim m_q^{-3}$
 - ⇒ overcame by Hasenbusch and RHMC; lightest pion 500 MeV \rightarrow 300 MeV



Now; much better shape

- Wilson fermion will be okay. Even better formulations on the market.
 - Not just Wilson
TMQCD explicitly avoids the instability
 - Chiral
domain-wall, overlap now feasible: No (or little) problem of explicit chiral violation
 - χ PT
now available for non-chiral lattice fermions and even for mixed actions



Time to test the consistency

- With $m_\pi \sim 300$ MeV, many groups are now testing the consistency with χ PT.
 - Can we see the χ log?
 - Extract Low Energy Constants $L_1 \sim L_{10}$
- From the easiest to more difficult
 - Pion mass & decay constant (also kaon)
 - Pion form factor (also kaon)
 - pi-pi scattering, ...

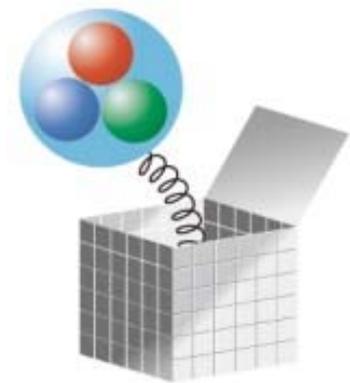


Plan

1. Pion mass and decay constant
 - Taking our (JLQCD's) recent data as an example
2. Pion form factor
 - How to calculate, with better precision
 - Fit forms: VMD, χ PT, ...
3. Testing chiral log with pion form factor
 - Chiral extrapolation of charge radius



I. Pion mass and decay constant



With dynamical overlap

JLQCD collaboration (2006~)

- Exact chiral symmetry
 - No complication due to modified χ PT (fit with additional unknown parameters)
 - Chiral limit exists: no instability, no phase transition as occurred for Wilson
 - ε -regime possible
 - At the cost of limiting physical volume...



Overlap fermion

$$D = \frac{1}{a} [1 + \gamma_5 \text{sgn}(H_W)]$$

Implementation:

- Use with the standard Wilson kernel
- Low-lying modes of H_W projected out, treated exactly
- Rest of the eigenmodes approximated by a rational function to a $10^{-(7-8)}$ precision = “exact” chiral symmetry



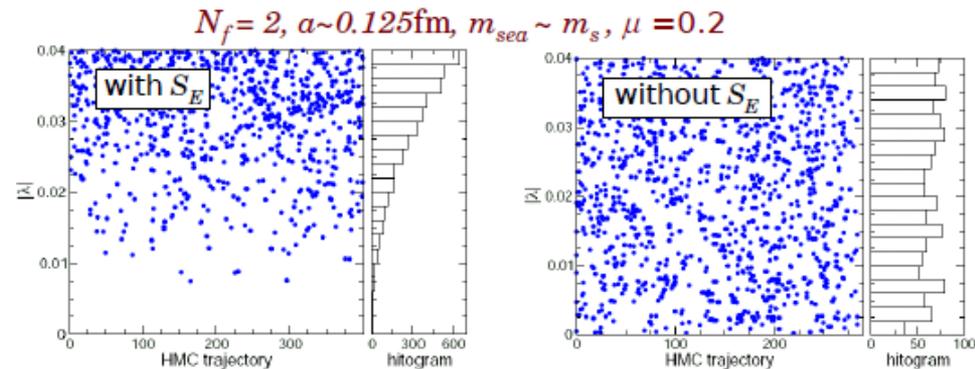
Near-zero mode suppression

= Key for the feasibility

- By adding unphysical (heavy) fermions and bosons

$$\det\left(\frac{H_W^2}{H_W^2 + \mu^2}\right) = \int d\chi^\dagger d\chi \exp[-S_E]$$

overlap operation gets much cheaper.



- No extra-cost due to eigenmodes passing zero



Topology conservation

- Topological charge Q freezes during HMC, problem? --- Yes and No.
 - θ vacuum is not sampled correctly.
 - Property of the continuum gauge action
 - If your simulation changes topology, you are still far away from continuum!
 - Fixed Q induces finite volume effect $\sim 1/(\chi_t V)$
 - You don't have to know the topological charge of the whole universe!
 - Topological fluctuation is on-going locally.



QCD at fixed Q

Brower et al, PLB560, 64 (2003); Aoki et al., arXiv:0707.0396 [hep-lat]

- $\theta=0$ physics can be reconstructed
 - Fixed θ and fixed Q are related to each other by a Fourier transform
 - Q distribution primarily governed by χ_t .

$$Z(\theta) = \exp\left[-V\left(\frac{\chi_t}{2}\theta^2 + O(\theta^4)\right)\right]; Z_Q = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\theta Z(\theta) e^{i\theta Q}$$

- General n-point function related as

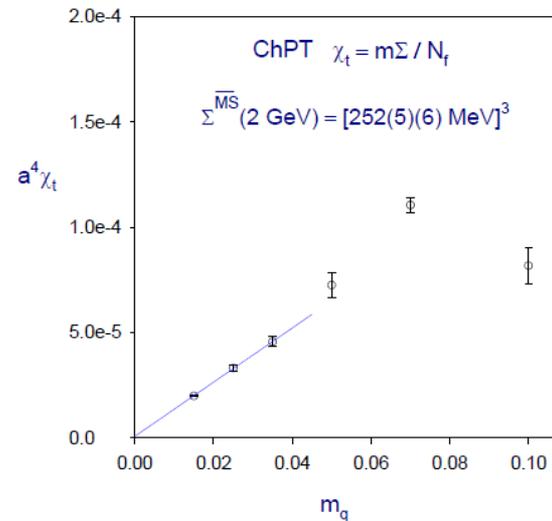
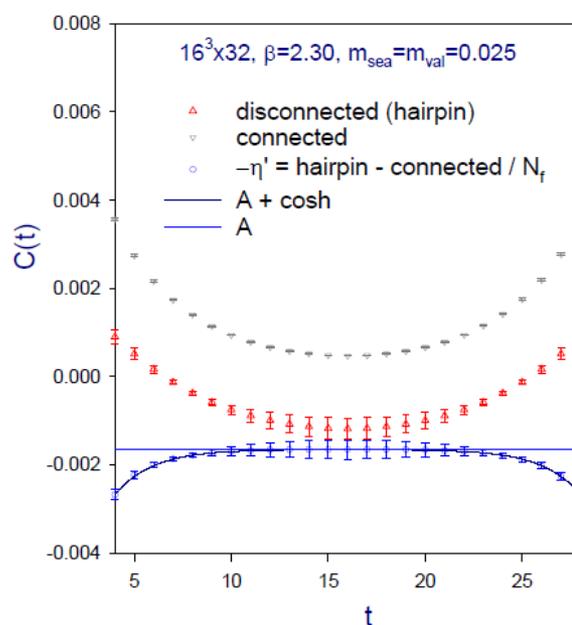
$$G_{Q \text{ (even)}} = G(\theta = 0) + G^{(2)} \frac{1}{2\chi_t V} \left[1 - \frac{Q^2}{\chi_t V}\right] + O(1/V^2)$$



Topological susceptibility

- Applying the formula for the flavor-singlet PS density, χ_t can be extracted.

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \langle mP(x)mP(0) \rangle_Q = -\frac{1}{V} \left(\chi_t - \frac{Q^2}{V} + O(1/V) \right) + O(e^{-m_\eta x})$$



JLQCD and TWQCD (2007)

$$\chi_t = \frac{m\Sigma}{N_f}$$

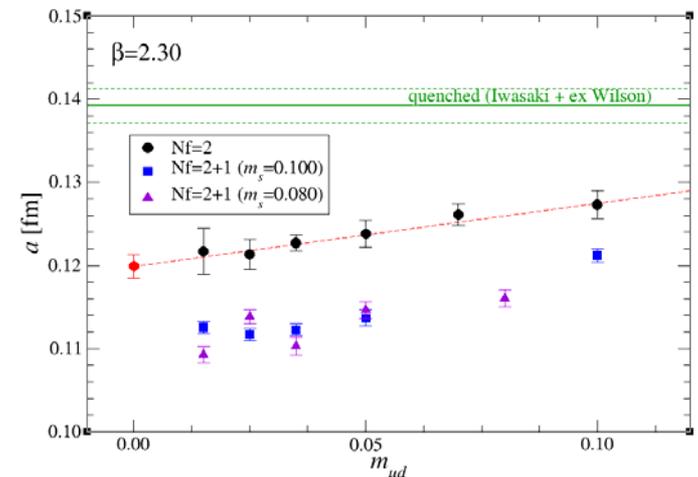
Local topological fluctuation is indeed active as expected.

Simulation

Dynamical overlap runs

- $N_f=2$ runs completed; now 2+1 running
- $a = 0.11 \sim 0.12$ fm, $16^3 \times 32$ lattice
- 6 sea quark masses in $m_q = m_s/6 \sim m_s$
- 10,000 traj for each run

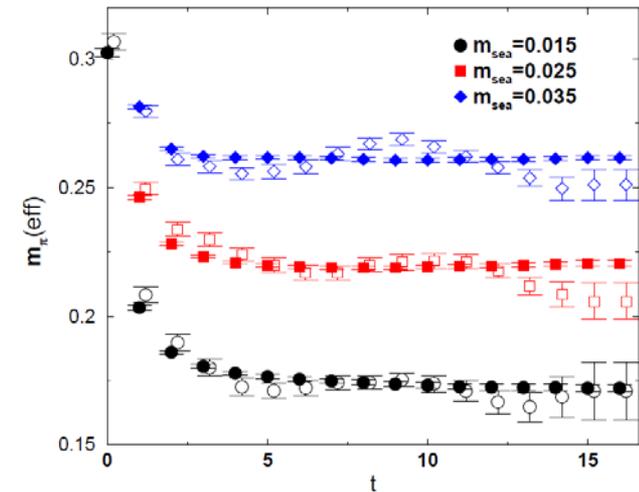
- Also done an ε -regime run at $m=3$ MeV.



Benefit from low modes

Measurements at every 20
traj \Rightarrow 500 conf / m_{sea}

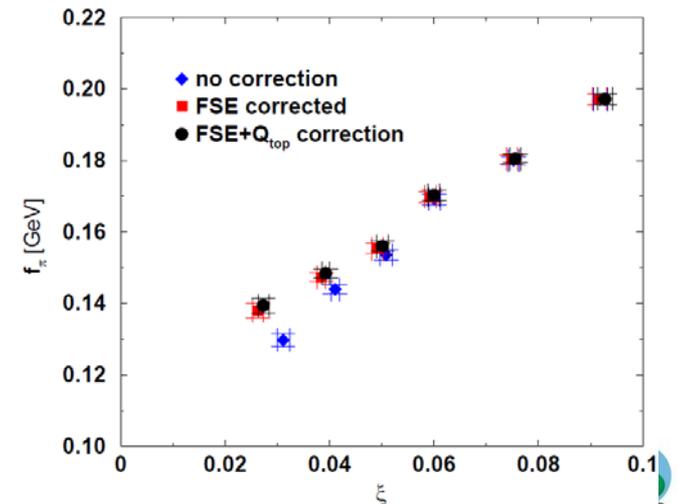
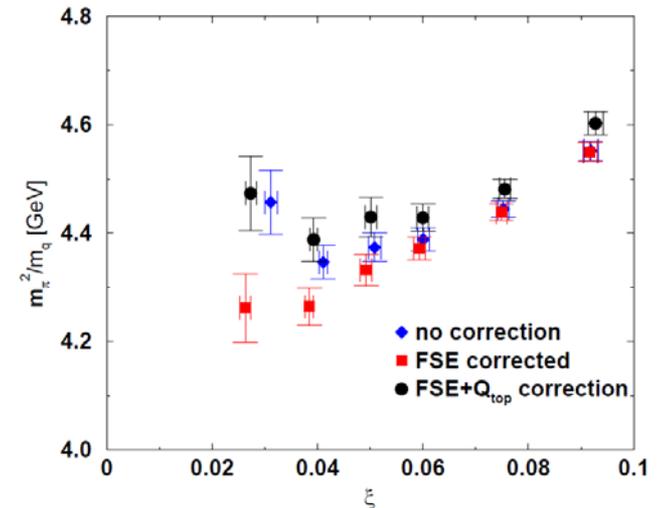
- Improved measurements
 - 50 pairs of low modes calculated and stored.
 - Used for low mode preconditioning (deflation)
 \Rightarrow (multi-mass) solver is then x8 faster
 - Low mode averaging (and all-to-all)



Finite volume corrections

At $L \sim 1.9$ fm (smallest $M_\pi L \sim 3$), FSE is not negligible.

- χ PT at NNLO
 - Colangelo-Durr-Haefeli, NPB721, 136 (2005)
- Fixed topology
 - Aoki et al., arXiv:0707.0396 with NLO χ PT and measured χ_t .



NNLO analysis

NNLO χ PT predicts the mass dependence
as

$$\frac{m_\pi^2}{m_q} = 2B_0 \left[1 + \xi \ln \xi + \frac{7}{2} (\xi \ln \xi)^2 + \left(\frac{2L_4}{f} - \frac{4}{3} (\tilde{L} + 16) \right) \xi^2 \ln \xi \right] + L_3 (\xi - 9\xi^2 \ln \xi) + K_1 \xi^2$$

$$f_\pi = f \left[1 - 2\xi \ln \xi + 5(\xi \ln \xi)^2 - \frac{3}{2} \left(\tilde{L} + \frac{53}{2} \right) \xi^2 \ln \xi \right] + L_4 (\xi - 10\xi^2 \ln \xi) + K_2 \xi^2$$

simultaneous fit

$$\text{input: } \tilde{L} = 7 \ln \left(\frac{\Lambda_1}{4\pi f} \right)^2 + 8 \ln \left(\frac{\Lambda_2}{4\pi f} \right)^2 \quad \text{from phenomenology}$$

$$\xi = \left(\frac{m_\pi}{4\pi f_\pi} \right)^2$$



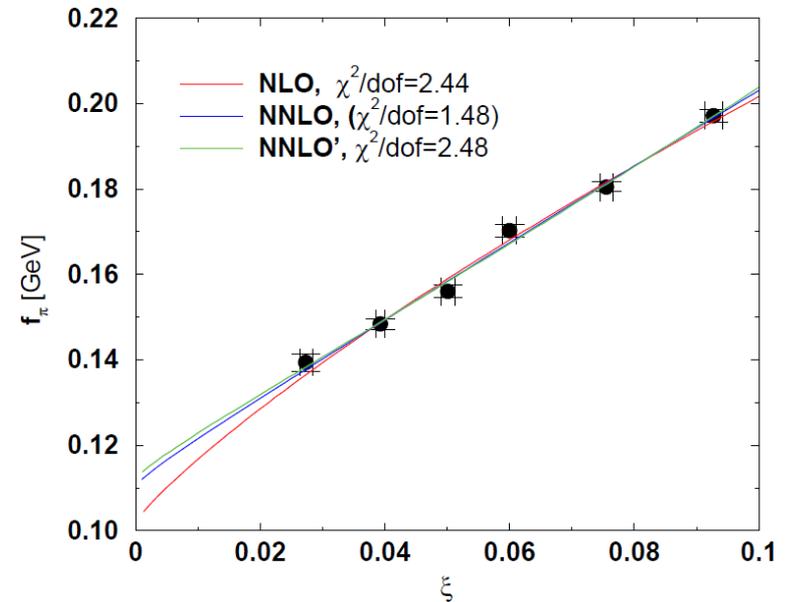
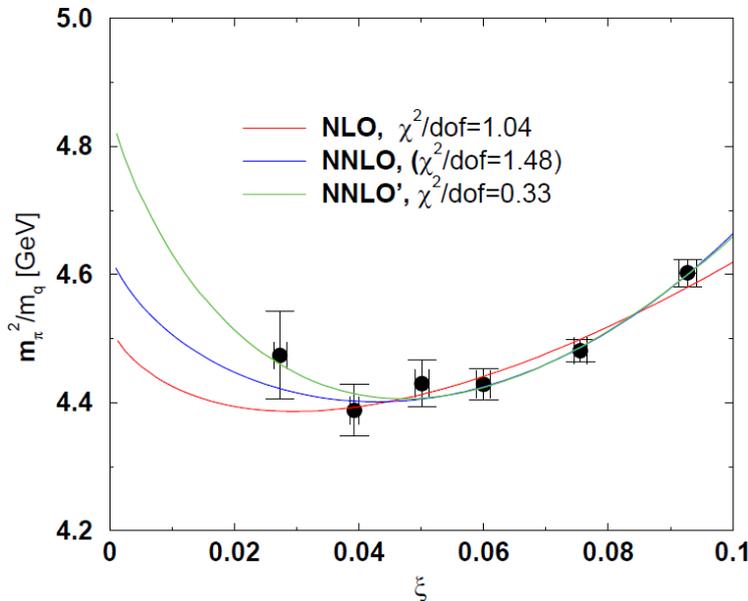
NNLO analysis

Also, NNLO'

$$\frac{m_\pi^2}{m_q} = 2B_0 \left(1 + \xi \ln \xi + \frac{7}{2} (\xi \ln \xi)^2 \right) + L_3 \xi + K_1' \xi^2$$

$$f_\pi = f \left(1 - 2\xi \ln \xi + 5 (\xi \ln \xi)^2 \right) + L_4 \xi + K_2' \xi^2$$

Noaki at Lattice 2007



Data slightly favor NNLO, though statistically not significant.

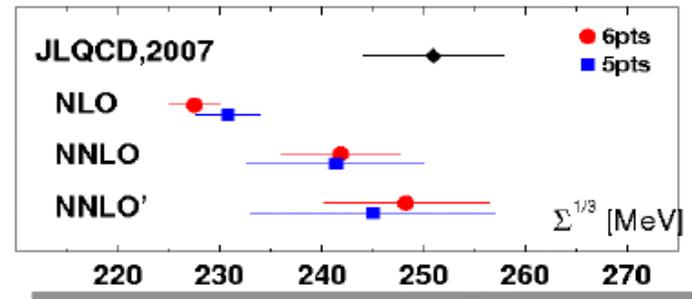
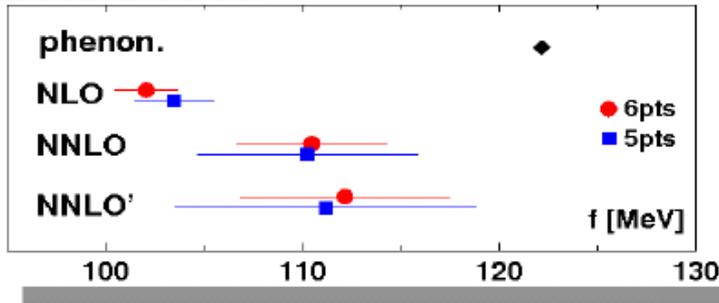


LECs

Noaki at Lattice 2007

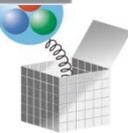
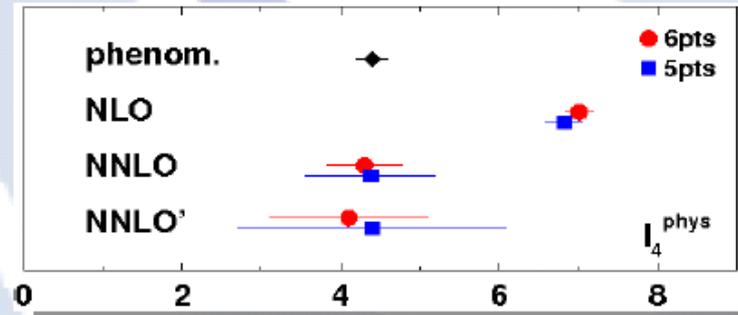
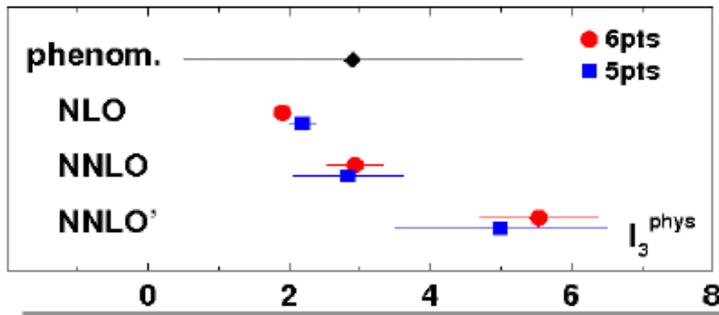
$f = 122.2 \text{ MeV}$ Gasser & Leutwyler, 1984

$$\Sigma = B_0 \cdot f^2 / 2$$



$$l_3^{\text{phys}} = \ln \left(\frac{\Lambda_3}{m_\pi^{\text{phys}}} \right)^2 = \ln \left(\frac{4\pi f}{m_\pi^{\text{phys}}} \right)^2 - \frac{L_3}{2B_0}$$

$$l_4^{\text{phys}} = \ln \left(\frac{\Lambda_4}{m_\pi^{\text{phys}}} \right)^2 = \ln \left(\frac{4\pi f}{m_\pi^{\text{phys}}} \right)^2 + \frac{L_4}{2f}$$



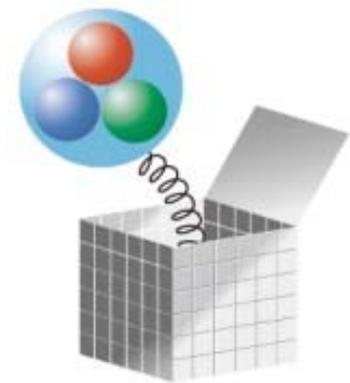
Lessons, if not conclusions

With exact chiral symmetry, test of χ PT is possible.

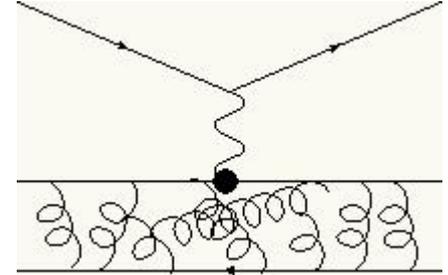
- Need very good precision for the test, otherwise χ log is not significant.
- With our mass range, NLO and NNLO lead to different chiral limit = NNLO is necessary.
- Finite size effect is important for $L < 2$ fm.



2. Pion form factor



Pion form factor



- The simplest form factor

$$\langle \pi(p') | V_\mu | \pi(p) \rangle = i(p_\mu + p_\mu') F_V(q^2), \quad q_\mu \equiv p_\mu' - p_\mu$$

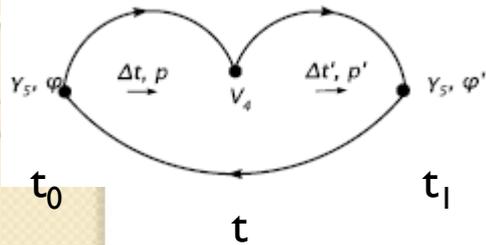
- Momentum transfer q_μ by a virtual photon. Space-like ($q^2 < 0$) in the $\pi e \rightarrow \pi e$ process.
- Vector form factor $F_V(q^2)$ normalized as $F_V(0) = 1$, because of the vector current conservation.

$$F_V(q^2) = 1 + \frac{1}{6} \langle r^2 \rangle_V^\pi q^2 + O(q^4),$$

- Vector (or EM) charge radius $\langle r^2 \rangle_V^\pi$ is defined through the slope at $q^2 = 0$.

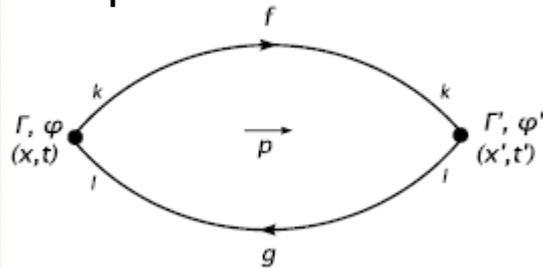


Lattice calculation of 3pt function



- $\pi(\mathbf{p}) \rightarrow \pi(\mathbf{p}')$
 - An interpolating operator for the initial state $\pi(\mathbf{p})$ at $t=t_0$
 - Another interpolating operator for the final state $\pi(\mathbf{p}')$ at $t=t_1$
 - Current insertion V_μ in the middle t .
 - Spatial momentum inserted at two operators.

c.f. 2pt func



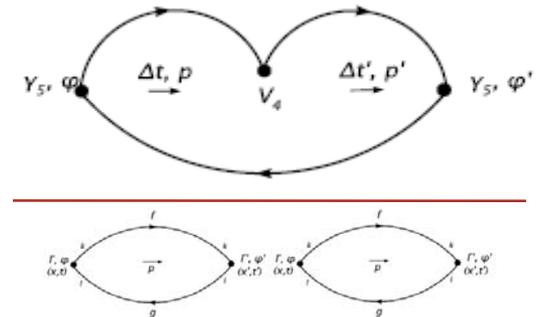
- (sequential) source method
 - Calculate a quark propagator starting from a previous quark propagator at t .

$$(\mathcal{D} + m)S_2(x) = e^{iq \cdot x} \Gamma S_1(x) \delta(x_0 - t)$$



Lattice calculation of 3pt function

- At large enough time separations $\Delta t = t - t_0$, $\Delta t' = t_1 - t$, the ground state pions dominate. Extra factors can be taken off with 2pt functions.



$$R(\Delta t, \Delta t'; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}') = \frac{C_{\mu, \text{smr}, \text{smr}}^{\pi\pi}(\Delta t, \Delta t'; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}')}{C_{\text{smr}, \text{lcl}}^{\pi}(\Delta t; \mathbf{p}) C_{\text{lcl}, \text{smr}}^{\pi}(\Delta t'; \mathbf{p}')}$$

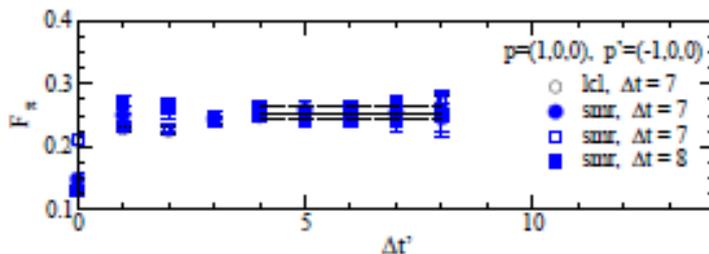
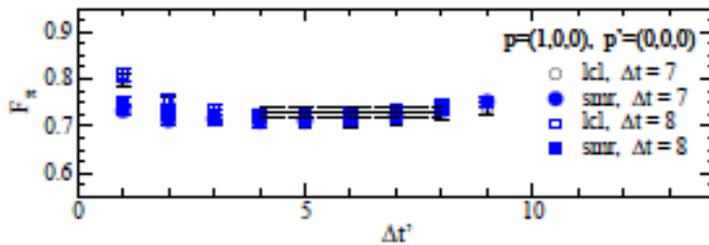
- Then, consider a ratio

$$F_{\pi}(q^2) = \frac{2M_{\pi}}{E(p) + E(p')} \frac{R_{\mu, \phi, \phi'}^{\pi\pi}(\Delta t, \Delta t'; \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}')}{R_{4, \phi, \phi'}^{\pi\pi}(\Delta t, \Delta t'; \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0})}$$



A recent calculation

JLQCD (2007)
dynamical overlap (Nf=2)
(talk by Kaneko at lat07)



- Lattice signal
 - Look for a plateau, where the ground state pion dominates.
 - Noisier for larger pion momentum.
- Note:
 - The actual data were obtained using the all-to-all technique, so that the data points at different t_0, t, t_1 and different momentum combinations can all be averaged.



All-to-all

To improve the signal

- Usually, the quark propagator is calculated with a fixed initial point (one-to-all)
- Average over initial point (or momentum config) will improve statistics; possible with all-to-all

$$D^{-1}(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^{N_{ev}} \frac{1}{\lambda^{(k)}} u^{(k)}(x) u^{(k)\dagger}(y) + \sum_{d=1}^{N_d} \left[D_{high}^{-1} \eta^{(d)} \right](x) \eta^{(d)}(y)$$

Low mode contribution

Random noise

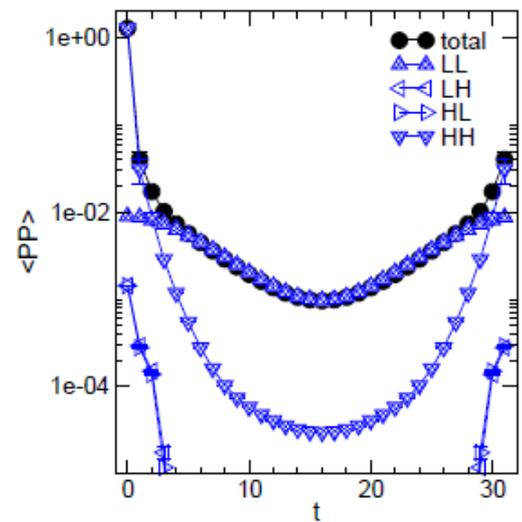
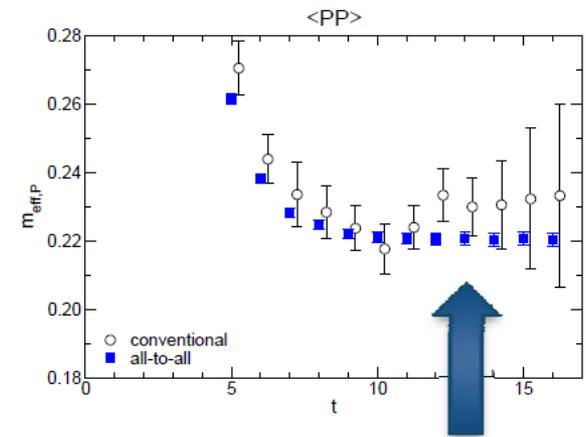
High mode propagation
From the random noise



An example: two-point func

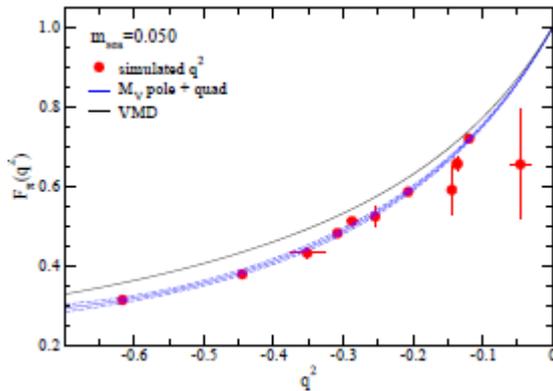
Dramatic improvement of the signal, thanks to the averaging over source points

- Similar to the low mode averaging; but all-to-all can be used for any n-point func.
- PP correlator is dominated by the low-modes

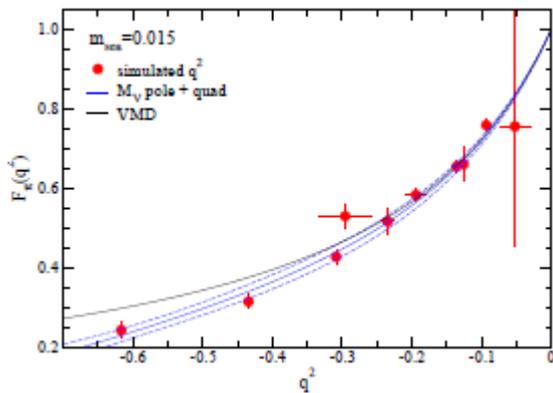


Form factor at a glance

$m_q \sim m_s/2$



$m_q \sim m_s/6$



- All-to-all \Rightarrow many momentum combinations
 - $(1,0,0) \rightarrow (0,1,0)$, etc. in units of $2\pi/L$.
- q^2 dependence well approximated by a vector meson pole + corrections

$$F_\pi(q^2) = \frac{1}{1 - q^2 / m_V^2} + c_1 q^2 + \dots$$

with m_V obtained at the same quark mass.

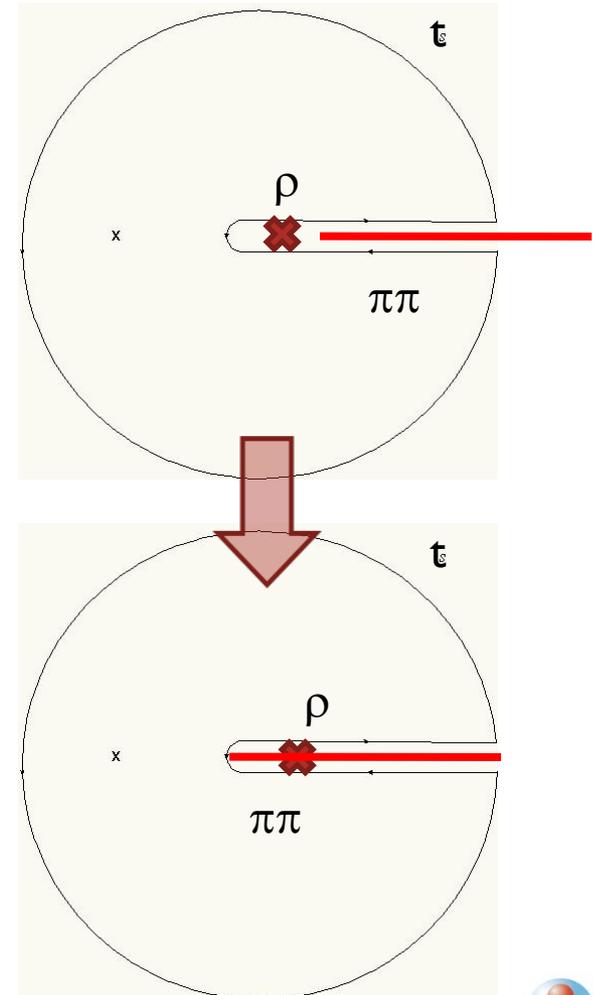


Analyticity

- Vector meson dominance: a result of the analyticity.

$$F(q^2) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint dt \frac{F(t)}{t - q^2} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{t_0}^{\infty} dt \frac{\text{Im} F(t)}{t - q^2}$$

- In the heavier quark mass region, ρ meson is a nearest isolated pole. $\pi\pi$ is subleading.
- For the physical quark mass, $\pi\pi$ is nearest. ρ is a part of $\pi\pi$ (broad resonance).



Fit forms

- Pole ansatz

$$F_{\pi}(q^2) = \frac{1}{1 - q^2 / m_{pole}^2}$$

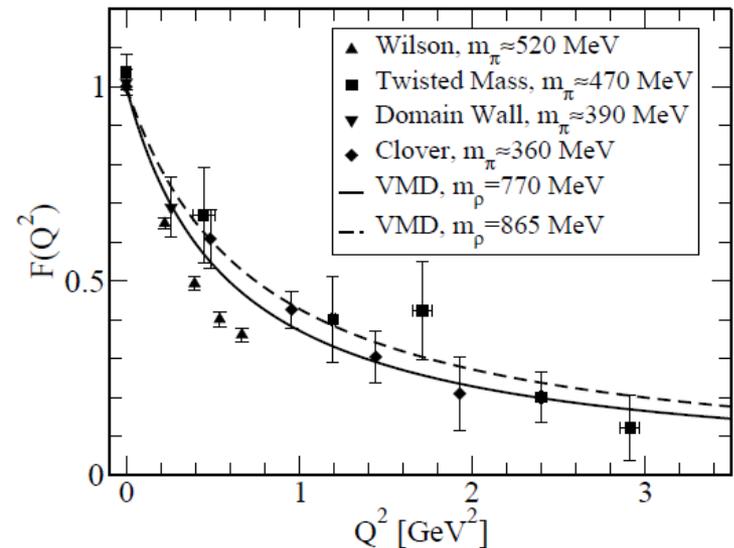
- Fit with m_{pole} a free parameter
- Not consistent with the analyticity.

- Fixed pole +

$$F_{\pi}(q^2) = \frac{1}{1 - q^2 / m_v^2} + c_1 q^2 + \dots$$

- Pole mass from the vector meson; model other effects by polynomials

Quenched results compiled in
Abdel-Rehim, Lewis, PRD71,
014503 (2005)



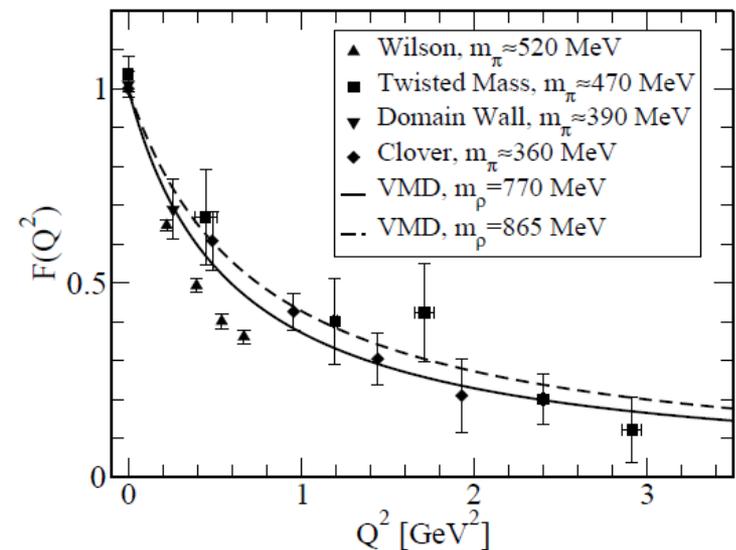
Fit form doesn't matter
when the error is large.



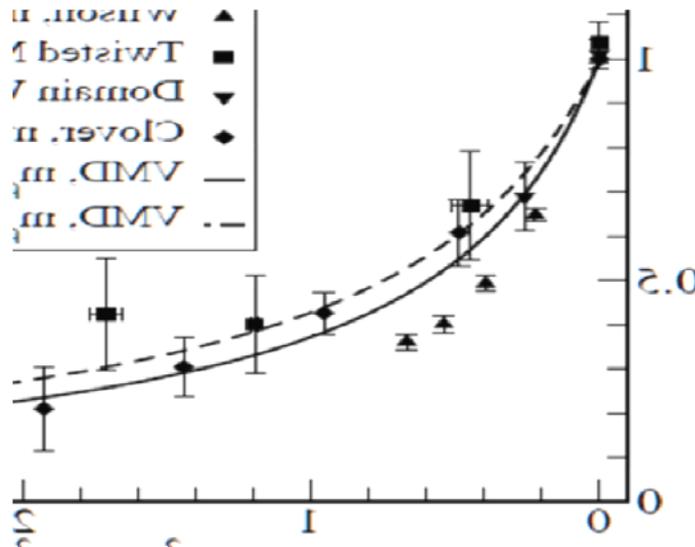
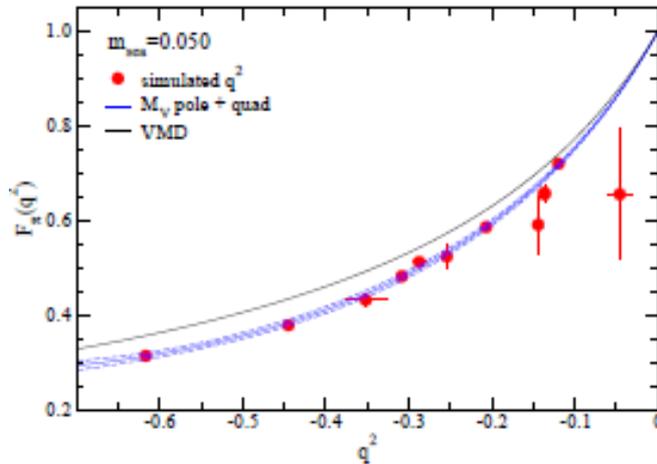
Quenched references

- Bonnet et al. [LHP collaboration], PRD72, 054506 (2005): Wilson.
- Van der Heide et al., PLB556, 131 (2003): clover.
- Nemoto [RBC collaboration], Lattice 2003: domain-wall.
- Abdel-Rehim, Lewis, PRD71, 014503 (2005): twisted mass.

Quenched results compiled in Abdel-Rehim, Lewis, PRD71, 014503 (2005)



Precise unquenched data



New JLQCD data

- All-to-all
 - improves statistics
 - increases data points without extra cost
- Pole fit tested
 - Correction to the single pole is visible.

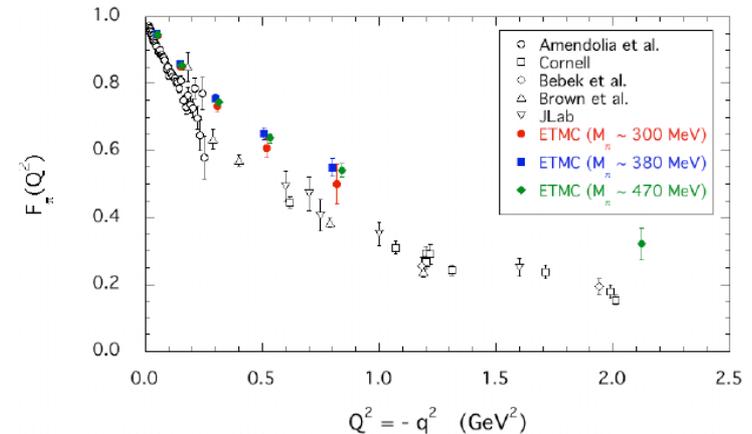
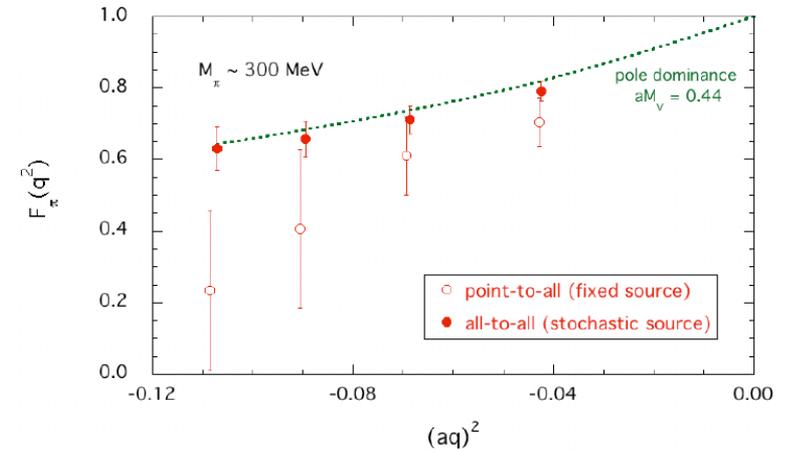


ETMC

Similar improvement
observed by ETMC

(Simula at Lattice 2007)

- **Nf=2 twisted mass fermion**
- **All-to-all**
 - But without the low-mode projection
- **twisted boundary condition**
 - Momentum smaller than $2\pi/L$ accessible

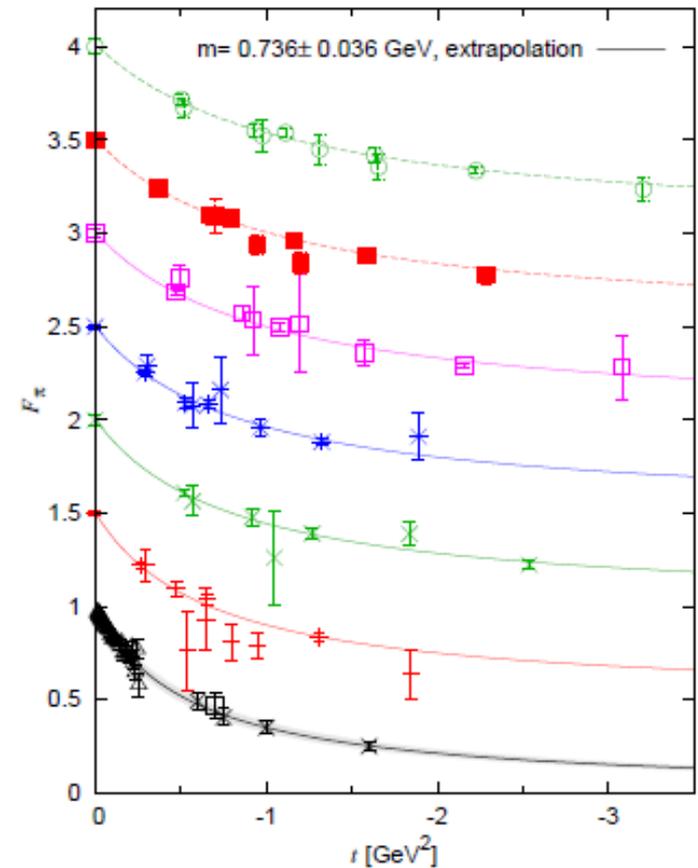


QCDSF

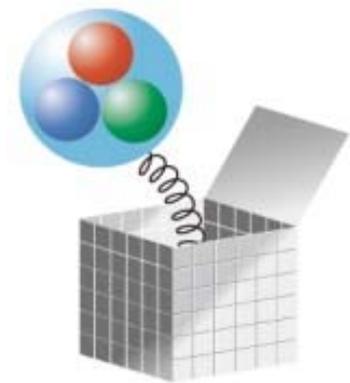
Extensive data with $N_f=2$
O(a)-improved Wilson
fermion

(Brommel et al, Lattice 2005;
Brommel et al, EPJC51, 335
(2007).)

- Data at several lattice spacings.
- Lightest sea quark corresponds to $M_\pi=400$ MeV.
- Data fitted to the pole ansatz.



3. Testing chiral log with pion form factor



Chiral extrapolation

- χ PT predicts χ log

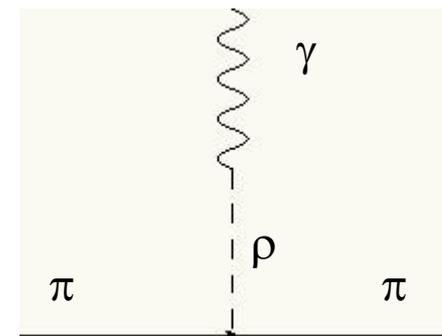
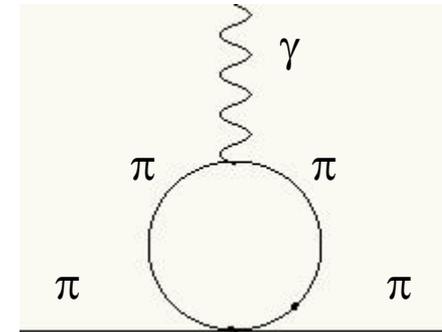
$$\langle r^2 \rangle_V^\pi = -\frac{1}{(4\pi f_\pi)^2} \left[\ln \frac{m_\pi^2}{\mu^2} + 12(4\pi)^2 L_9 + O(m_\pi^2) \right]$$

- Must diverge in the chiral limit: pion cloud gets larger.
- Valid only in the region where $2m_\pi < m_\rho$.

- VMD

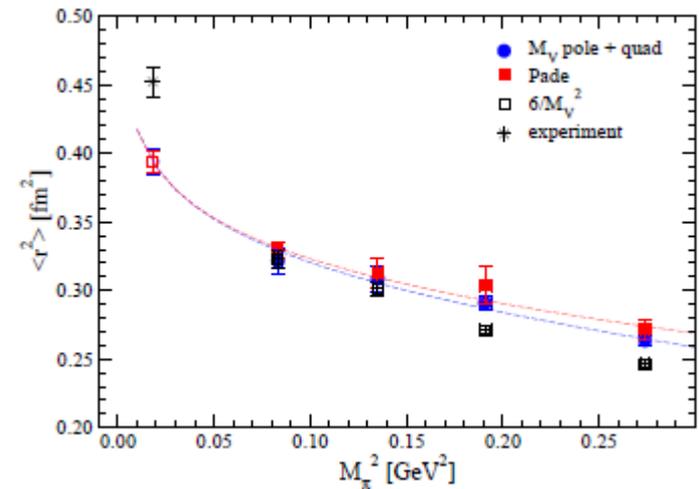
$$\langle r^2 \rangle_V^\pi = 6/m_V^2$$

- Mass dependence not well understood.



Chiral extrapolation

- Lattice data
 - Mass dependence very similar to VMD, but the difference is visible.
 - $\chi\log$ may become significant beyond the region of lattice data.
 - Assuming the NLO $\chi\log$ and NNLO analytic term.



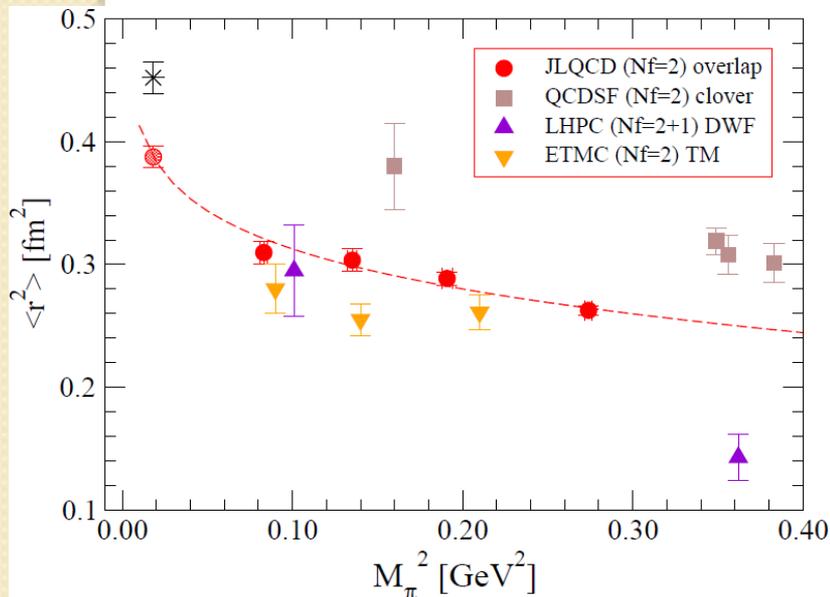
$$\langle r^2 \rangle_V^\pi = 0.388(9)(12) \text{ fm}^2$$

Lower than the exp number, even after the chiral enhancement.



Comparison (unquenched)

- Recent unquenched calculations
 - Poor agreement: due to different fit ansatz?
 - QCDSF seems consistent with the exp number.
 - χ log not clear: how to distinguish χ log from the mass dependence of $6/m_V^2$?



ETMC points read off from the slide by Simula: my fault if it's not precise.



Discussions

- Systematic errors to be considered.
 - Finite volume effect known only at NLO.
- To ensure theoretical consistency, need a framework including the vector resonance.
 - Resonance χ PT
 - Hidden local symmetry
- Scalar form factor would be less problematic (scalar pole is far), but contains disconnected loop. Calculation is on-going (JLQCD).

