

Beyond the Standard Model with $Sp(4)_c$ on the lattice



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$Sp(4)$ Gauge Theories in BSM Models

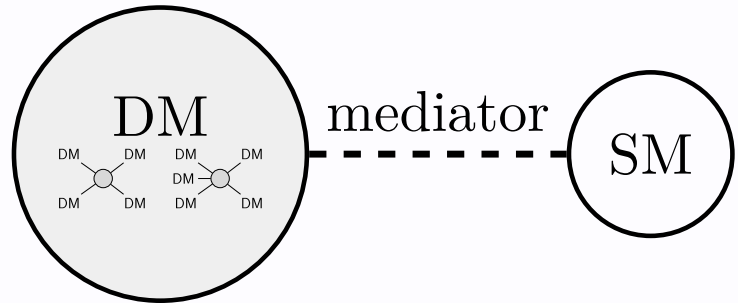
- **QCD-like** extensions of the Standard Model:
- Studied in multiple variations on the lattice
 - Pure gauge theory:
Deconfinement transition^[1], glueballs & large- N ^[4]
 - With Fermions: **Higgs compositeness, Dark Matter** ^[3]

QCD-like gauge theories

- New non-SM gauge force with fermions
 - Composite Higgs Models: hyper-gluons and hyper-quarks
 - Dark Matter Models: dark gluons and dark quarks
- Depending on the BSM model they can carry SM charges or not
- I will use the QCD nomenclature:
 - e.g. π : 0^- nonsinglet, ρ : 1^- non-singlet, ...
 - these states are **not** the QCD hadrons
 - but they are similar in terms of their fermion structure

Strongly Interacting **Dark Matter** Models

- With fermions: Global symmetries make DM stable
- With mediator: Dark sector coupled to SM


$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{DM}} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{\psi}_f(i\not{D} + m_f)\psi_f$$

- Non-vanishing self-scattering cross-section arise

$$\langle v\sigma_{\pi\pi\rightarrow\pi\pi} \rangle \neq 0$$

- Relic density driven by strong processes

see e.g. Ferretti, Karateev [1312.5330], Ferretti [1604.06467] Ayyar et.al. [1710.00806] [1801.05809] [1802.09644]
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Composite Higgs From Multiple Fermion Representations

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \bar{Q}^i (i\not{D} - m_i^f) Q^i + \bar{\Psi}^j (i\not{D} - m_j^{\text{as}}) \Psi^j$$

- Gauge theory of group G with field strength tensor $F_{\mu\nu}$
- Two species of fermions Q and Ψ under different irreps of G

Applications:

- **Composite Higgs+top** (fundamental and antisymmetric fermions)
- Models of supersymmetric physics (fundamental + adjoint)

[1] Kosower (Phys.Lett.B.144, 1984) Witten (Nucl.Phys.B.223, 1983) Peskin (Nucl.Phys.B.175, 1980)

[2] Witten (Nucl.Phys.B.149, 1979) (Nucl.Phys.B.156, 1979) Veneziano (Nucl.Phys.B.159, 1979)

[3] Belyaev et.al. [1512.07242]

Chiral Symmetry and Extra Goldstone Bosons

- One breaking pattern for every fermion representation [1]
 - complex: $SU(N_f) \times SU(N_f) \rightarrow SU(N_f)$
 - pseudoreal: $SU(2N_f) \rightarrow Sp(2N_f)$
 - real: $SU(2N_f) \rightarrow SO(2N_f)$
- And one axial $U(1)$ for each representation
 - one (combination of) $U(1)$ broken by axial anomaly! [2]
 - **Additional $U(1)$ Goldstone for multiple representations!** [3]
 - mixed state with contributions from different reps

Flavour symmetry: Pseudo-real representation

- Higher symmetry than theories with complex representations
 - same as two colour QCD ($SU(2) = Sp(2)$)
- Mixing of left- and right-handed Weyl components

$$\Psi = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \\ -SC u_R^* \\ -SC d_R^* \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \\ \tilde{u}_R \\ \tilde{d}_R \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} C \dots \text{charge conj.} \\ S \dots \text{colour matrix} \end{array}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{fermion}} = i\bar{\Psi} \not{D}\Psi - \frac{1}{2} (\Psi^T S C M \Psi + h.c.)$$

- Mass matrix M proportional to symplectic invariant tensor
- generators $\tau_a : S \tau_a S = -\tau_a^T$

The Hadron Spectrum of $Sp(4)$ Theories

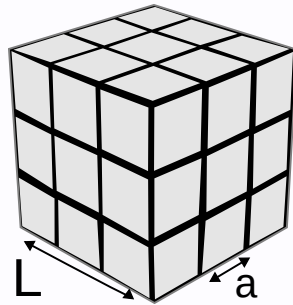
1. $Sp(4)_c$ with $N_f = 2$ (fundamental)
2. $Sp(4)_c$ with $N_f = 2$ (fundamental) and $n_f = 3$ (antisymmetric)

Lattice setup

- Euclidean action S on hypercubic lattice

$$\langle O \rangle = \frac{1}{Z} \int \mathcal{D}[A_\mu, \psi, \bar{\psi}] e^{-S[A_\mu, \psi, \bar{\psi}]} O[A_\mu, \psi, \bar{\psi}]$$

- Lattice regulator: finite spacing a (UV), finite extent L (IR)



- Calculate observable $\langle O \rangle$ on finite lattice
- Extrapolate to the continuum: $a \rightarrow 0, L \rightarrow \infty$
- Wilson fermions, GRID code on GPUs, HiRep code on CPUs

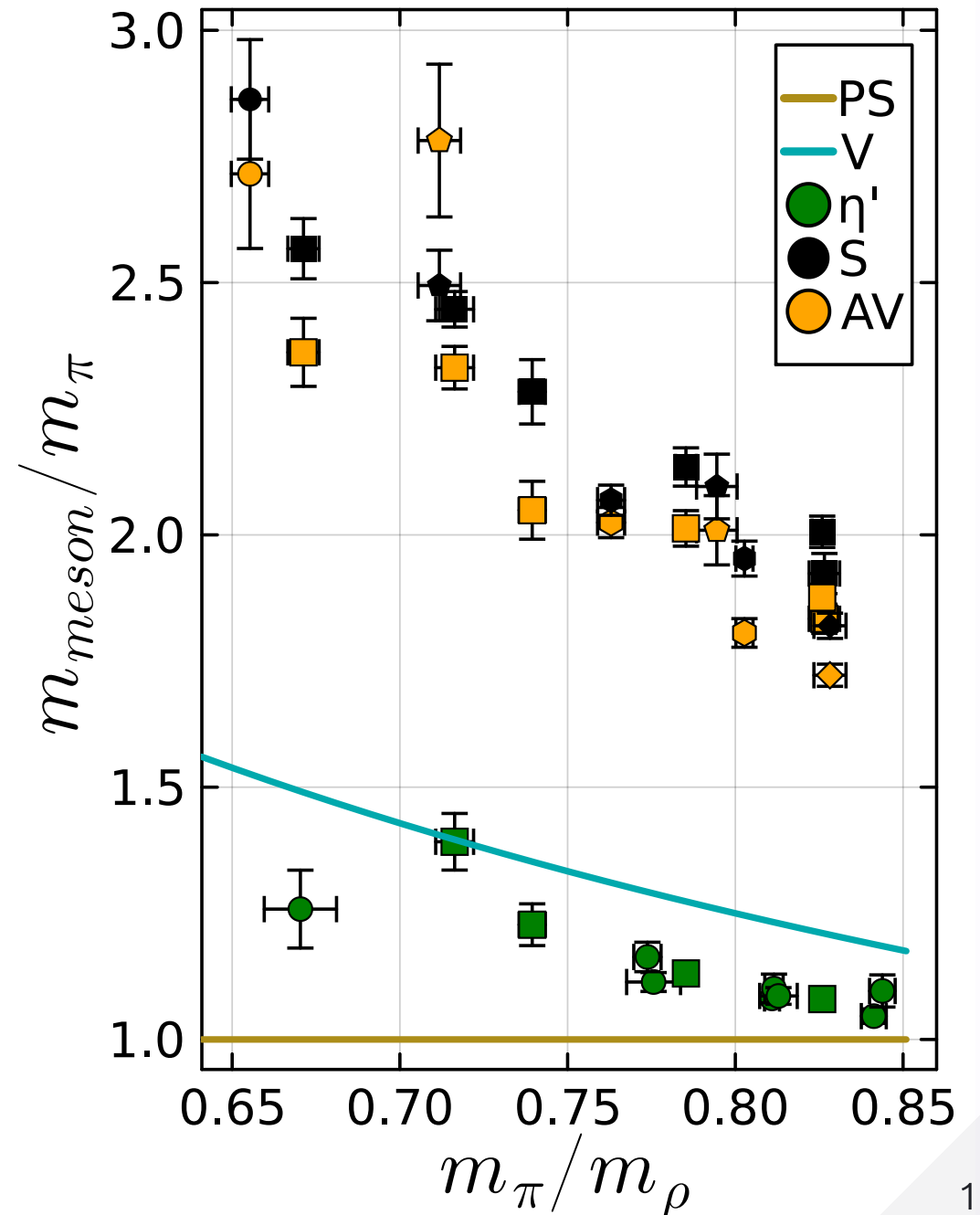
Other mass scales than QCD are potentially relevant!

- Free parameters: Coupling g^2 and bare fermion masses
 - one overall energy scale
 - one fermionic mass scale for every representation
- All scales can deviate strongly from QCD!
 - can result in different meson mass hierarchies
 - can give rise to a different finite-temperature phase diagram

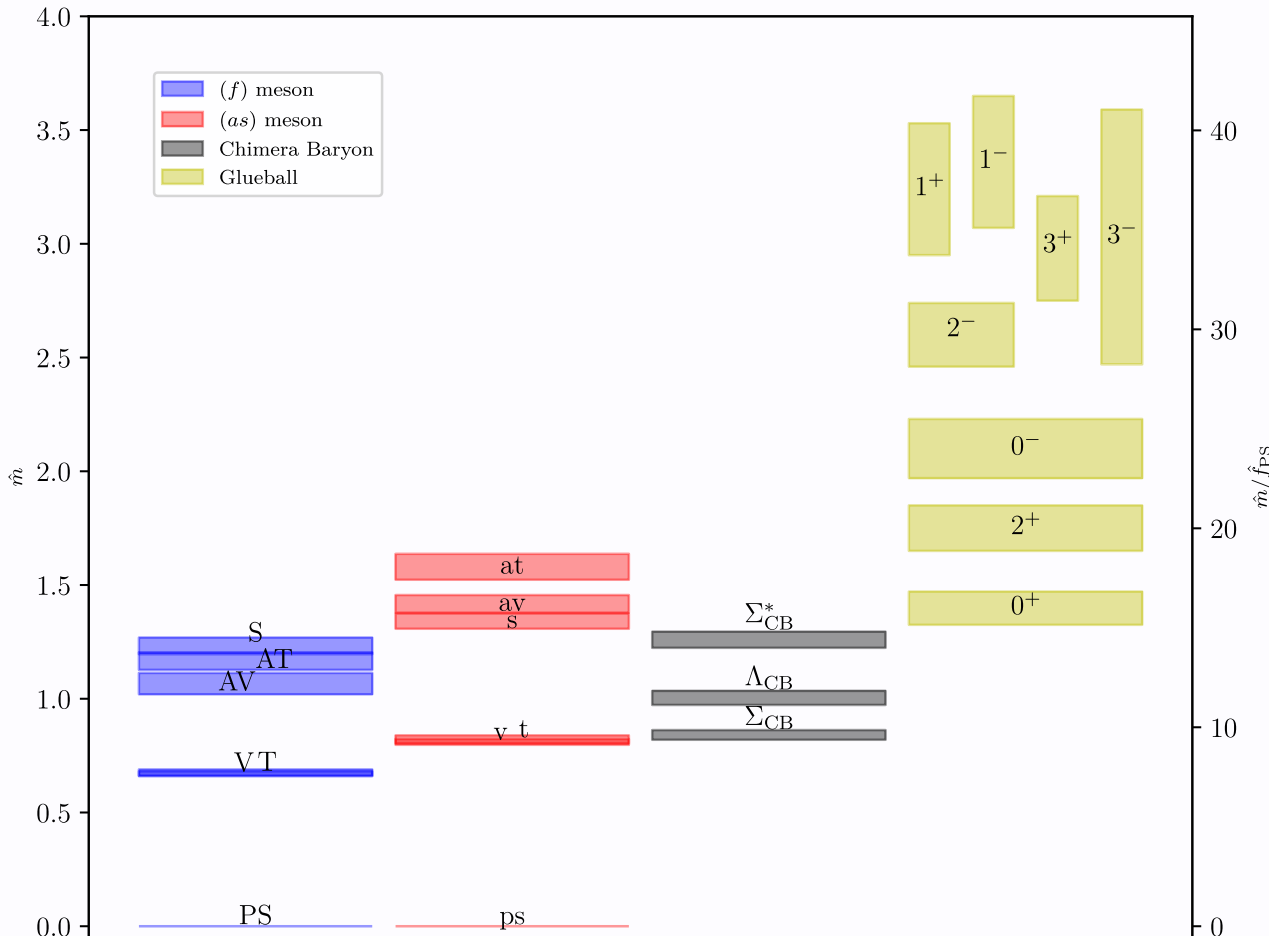
Lattice investigations of a larger parameter space are useful!

The $N_f = 2$ spectrum of $Sp(4)$

- Strongly resembles QCD
- Most notable difference: η'
 - similar to two-flavour QCD
- $\pi\pi$ -scattering investigated (see poster by Y. Dengler)
- f_0/σ and glueballs under ongoing investigation



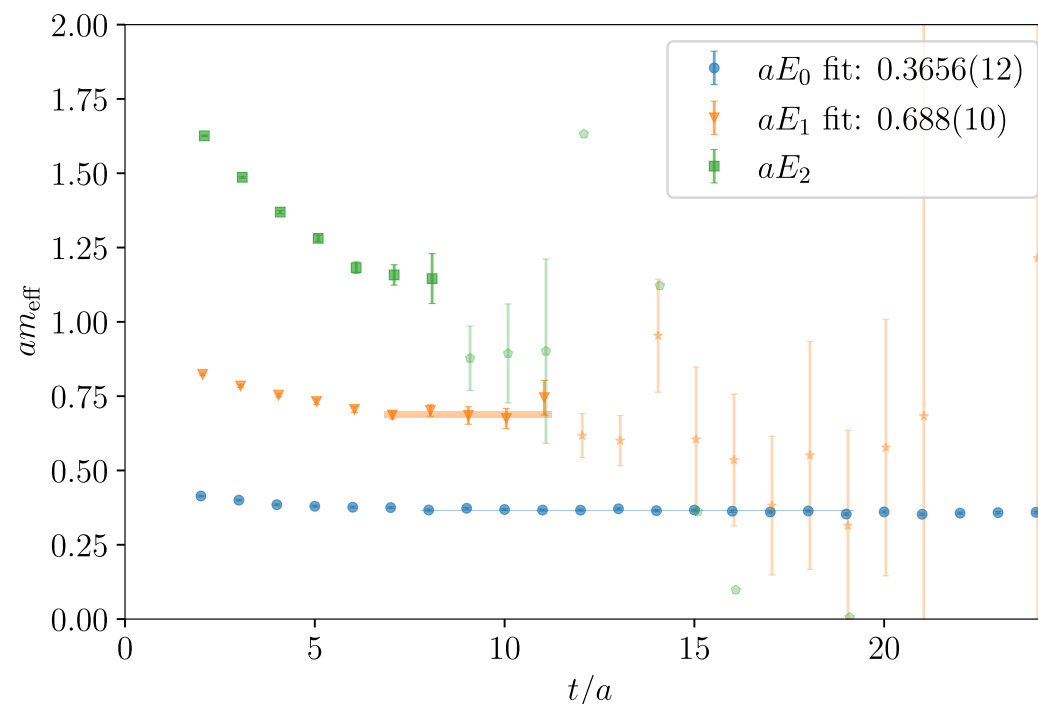
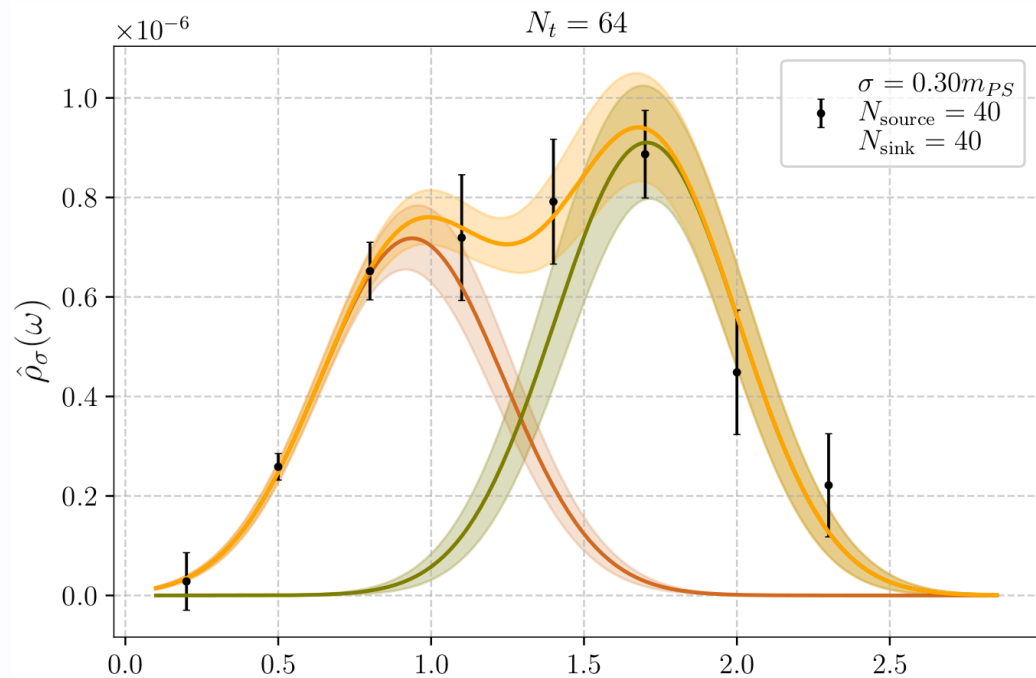
The spectrum of $Sp(4)$ with mixed representation



- Two fundamental $N_f = 2$ and three antisymmetric $n_f = 3$ fermions
- Quenched hadron and glueball masses are available [1]
- But we need to go towards **dynamical fermions**

Mixed-representations: With dynamical fermions

- Non-singlet meson masses determined using variational analysis and from spectral densities [1]



Mixed-representations: States connected to $U(1)_A$

- pseudoscalar flavour-singlets: similar to η and η' of QCD
- **Potentially light singlet can have large pheno implications!** [1]

$$O_{\eta^f} = (\bar{Q}^1 \gamma_5 Q^1 + \bar{Q}^2 \gamma_5 Q^2) / \sqrt{2}$$

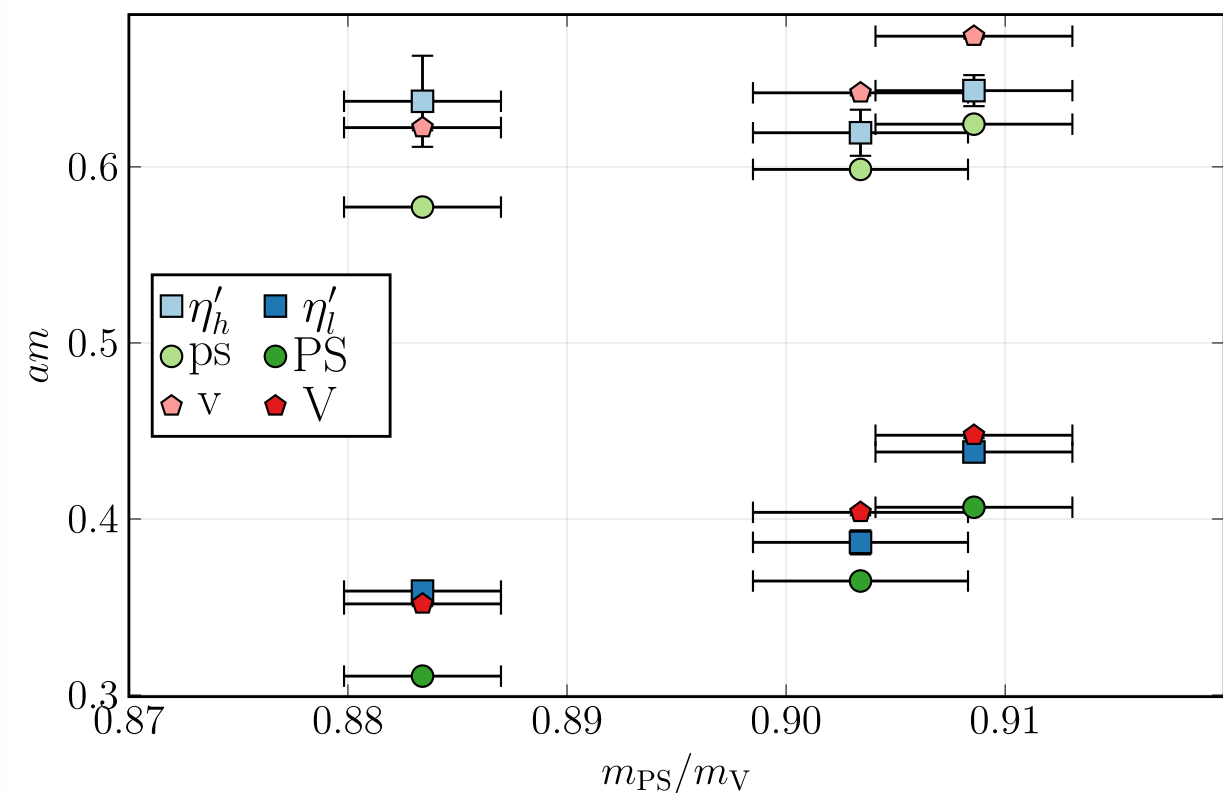
$$O_{\eta^{as}} = (\bar{\Psi}^1 \gamma_5 \Psi^1 + \bar{\Psi}^2 \gamma_5 \Psi^2 + \bar{\Psi}^3 \gamma_5 \Psi^3) / \sqrt{3}$$

- These two states will mix: Light PNGB state η'_l + heavier state η'_h
 - mixing angle in general $\phi \neq 0$
 - Effective field theory in chiral limit has been developed [2]

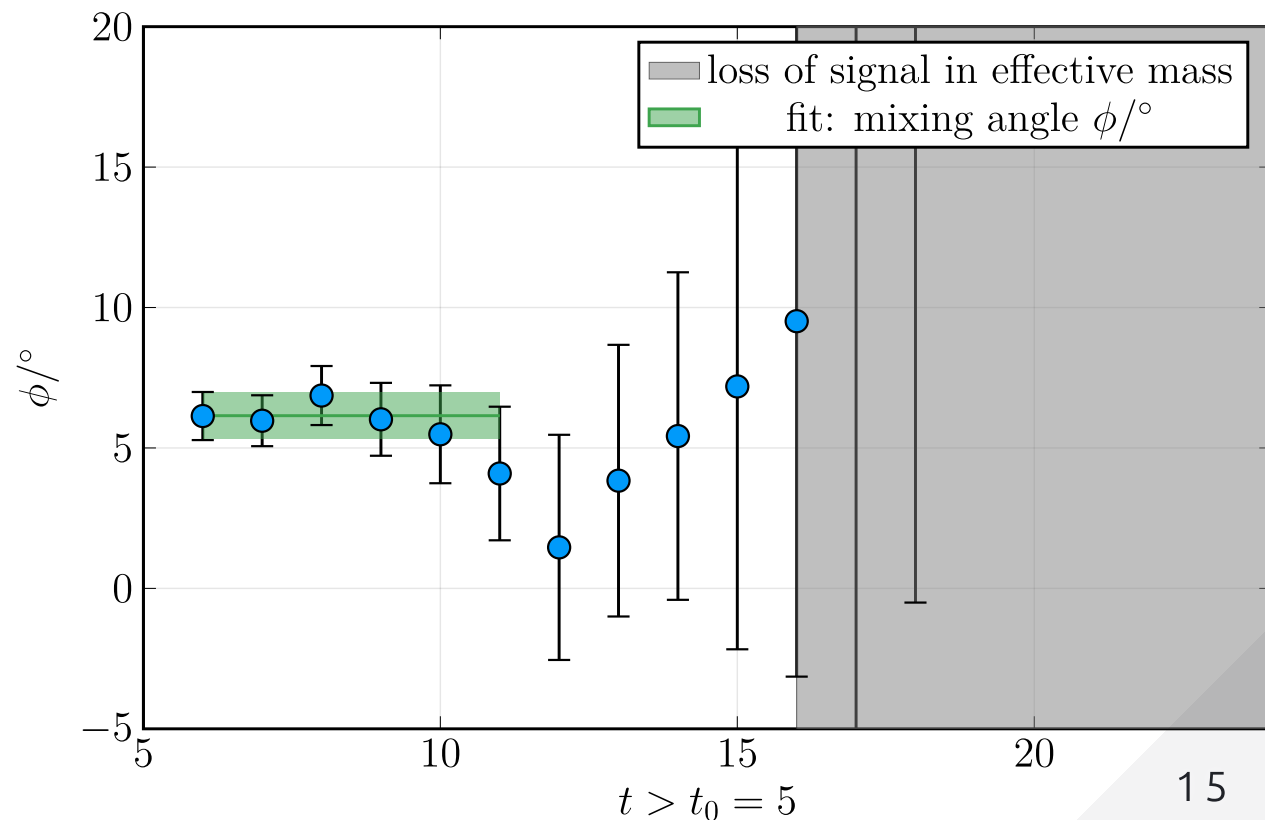
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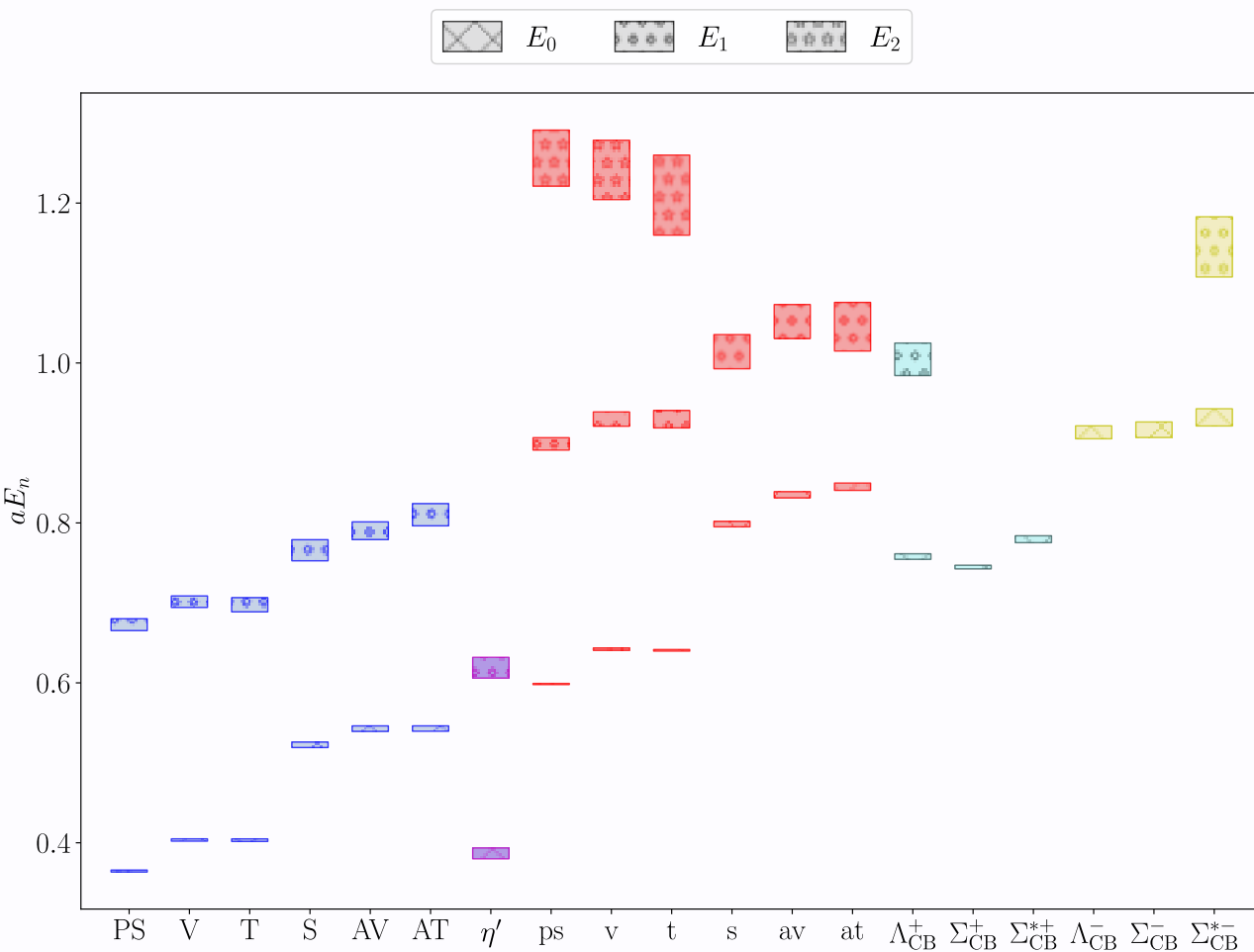
- Masses close to respective non-singlet states, small mixing angle
 - fermion masses appear to be far from chiral limit

meson masses vs. m_{PS}/m_V ($N_t = 64$)



ensemble M1





Baryon spectrum of single ensemble

- Preliminary determination of hybrid baryons ($QQ\psi$)
- Plot depicts single lattice ensemble
- Glueballs and scalar singlet under investigation

Looking forward: Connection to the phase diagram

- Pure Gauge: Known first-order deconfinement transition [1]
 - Recently investigated using density-of-states method LLR [2]
 - Goal: Access to gravitational wave parameters
 - *Theories with Fermions require further algorithmic development*
- Lattice Simulations at finite density possible
 - No sign problem (as in QC₂D)

Summary

- $Sp(2N)$ (and QCD-like theories in general) for BSM scenarios
- **Zero-temperature results for $Sp(4)$ available and improving!**
- Single rep.: Moderately light fermions available, chiral extrapolation feasible
- Mixed rep.: Currently restricted to heavy dynamical fermions

Outlook

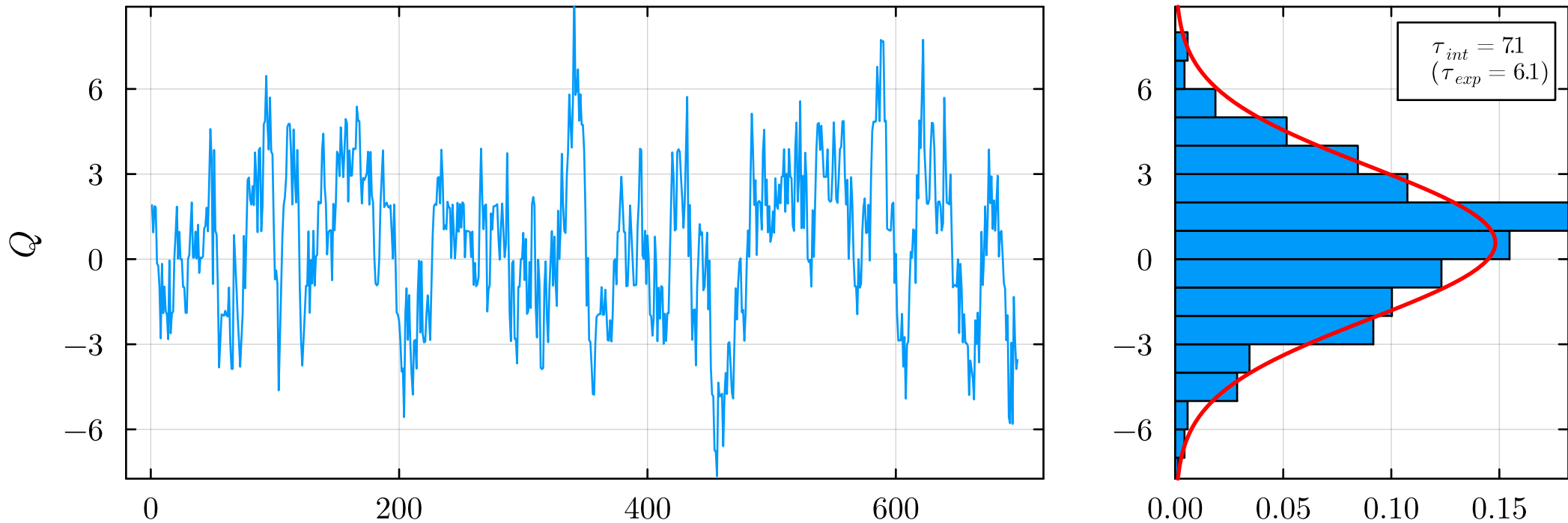
- Finer lattice spacings, lighter fermions, different discretizations
- Glueballs, scalar singlet channel, and more mixing
- Meson scattering and resonances

Back-up slides

Topology of ensembles

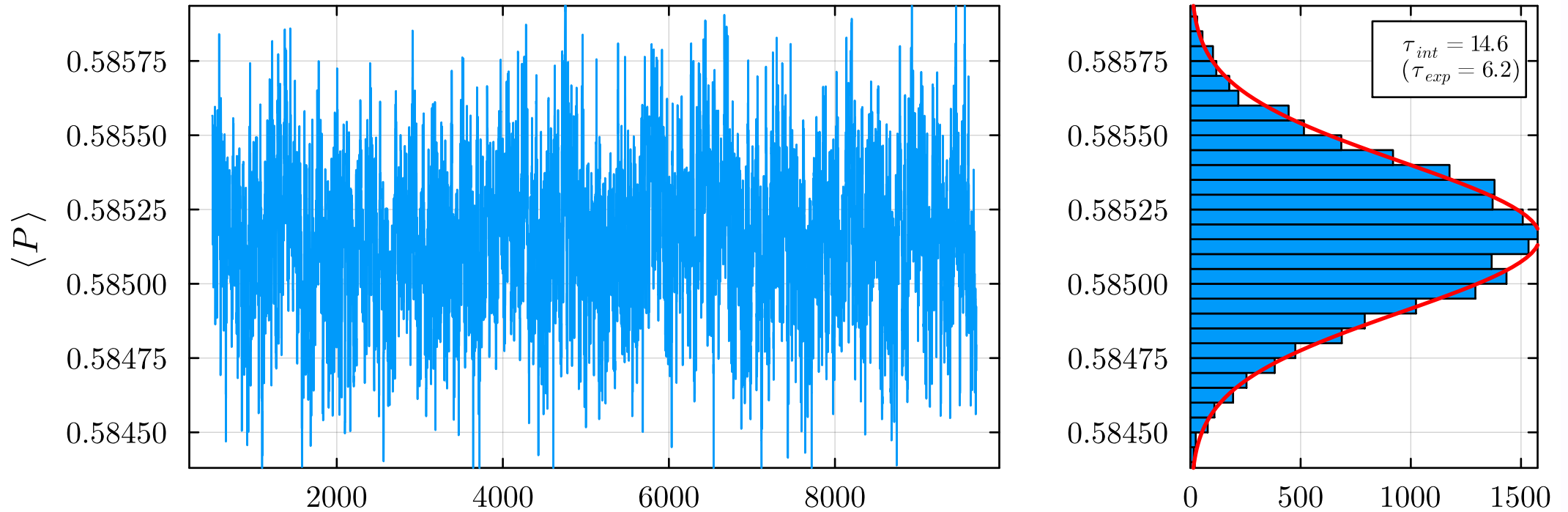
- not frozen, but correlations in topological charge Q

$$\beta = 6.5, \quad N_t \times N_s^3 = 64 \times 20^3$$



Configurations chosen such that plaquette is uncorrelated

$$\beta = 6.5, \quad N_t \times N_s^3 = 48 \times 20^3$$



Lattice spectroscopy: Getting meson masses

- Construct operator with same quantum numbers
- Energy levels from Euclidean correlator

$$C_{\mathcal{O}}(t) = \sum_n \frac{1}{2E_n} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O} | n \rangle^* \langle n | \mathcal{O} | 0 \rangle e^{-E_n t}.$$

- For mesons a generic correlator

$$C(t - t') = \sum_{\vec{x}, \vec{y}} \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{Diagram 1: } \vec{x}, t \text{ and } \vec{y}, t' \text{ with two loops} \\ \text{Diagram 2: } \vec{x}, t \text{ and } \vec{y}, t' \text{ with one loop} \end{array} \right) + \underbrace{\text{const.}}_{=|\langle 0 | \mathcal{O} | 0 \rangle|^2}$$

Available Dynamical Ensembles

Label	β	am_0^{as}	am_0^{f}	N_t	N_s	N_{conf}
M1	6.5	-1.01	-0.71	48	20	479
M2	6.5	-1.01	-0.71	64	20	698
M3	6.5	-1.01	-0.71	96	20	436
M4	6.5	-1.01	-0.70	64	20	709
M5	6.5	-1.01	-0.72	64	32	295

- Ensembles generated using GPUs with GRID
- Measurements performed with HiRep on CPUs

Composite Higgs + Top Realizations

G_{HC}	ψ	χ	Restrictions	G/H
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 7, 9$	$\frac{SU(5)}{SO(5)} \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)} \mathbf{U}(1)$
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 7, 9$	
$Sp(2N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$2N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	$\frac{SU(5)}{SO(5)} \frac{SU(6)}{Sp(6)} \mathbf{U}(1)$
$SU(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$3 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	$\frac{SU(5)}{SO(5)} \frac{SU(3) \times SU(3)}{SU(3)_D} \mathbf{U}(1)$
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$5 \times \mathbf{F}$	$3 \times (\mathbf{Spin}, \bar{\mathbf{Spin}})$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 10$	
$Sp(2N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times \mathbf{F}$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$2N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	$\frac{SU(4)}{Sp(4)} \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)} \mathbf{U}(1)$
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times \mathbf{Spin}$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 11$	
$SO(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{Spin}, \bar{\mathbf{Spin}})$	$6 \times \mathbf{F}$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 10$	$\frac{SU(4) \times SU(4)'}{SU(4)_D} \frac{SU(6)}{SO(6)} \mathbf{U}(1)$
$SU(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$6 \times \mathbf{A}_2$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 4$	
$SU(N_{\text{HC}})$	$4 \times (\mathbf{F}, \bar{\mathbf{F}})$	$3 \times (\mathbf{A}_2, \bar{\mathbf{A}}_2)$	$N_{\text{HC}} = 5, 6$	$\frac{SU(4) \times SU(4)'}{SU(4)_D} \frac{SU(3) \times SU(3)}{SU(3)_D} \mathbf{U}(1)$

Table 6. Subclass of models that is likely to be outside of the conformal window, together with the coset they give rise to after spontaneous symmetry breaking.

Lattice Investigation: Masses

- Variational Analysis with O_{η^f} and $O_{\eta^{as}}$ operators
- Several levels of Wuppertal smearing

$$\langle \bar{O}_{\eta^{as}}(x) O_{\eta^{as}}(y) \rangle = - \text{diag}(x \xrightarrow{\Psi} y) + N_{as} \text{diag}(x \xrightarrow{\Psi} x) \text{diag}(y \xrightarrow{\Psi} y)$$

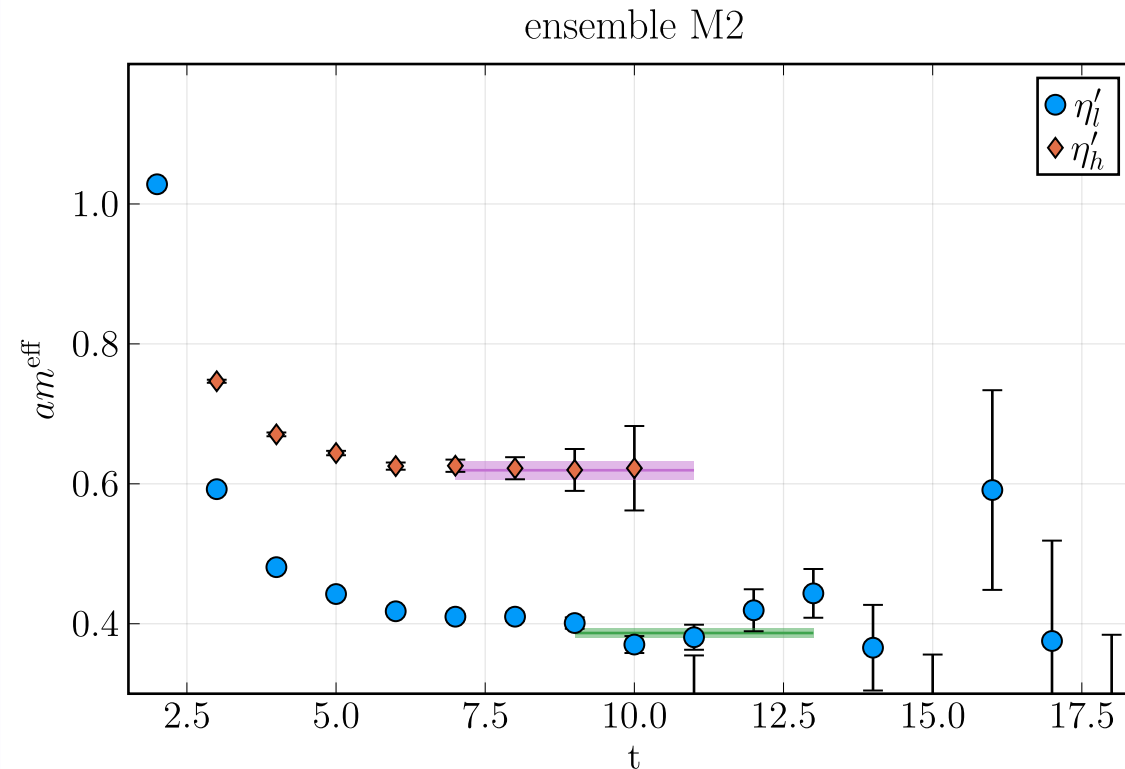
$$\langle \bar{O}_{\eta^f}(x) O_{\eta^f}(y) \rangle = - \text{diag}(x \xrightarrow{Q} y) + N_f \text{diag}(x \xrightarrow{Q} x) \text{diag}(y \xrightarrow{Q} y)$$

$$\langle \bar{O}_{\eta^f}(x) O_{\eta^{as}}(y) \rangle = + \sqrt{N_{as} N_f} \text{diag}(x \xrightarrow{Q} x) \text{diag}(y \xrightarrow{\Psi} y)$$

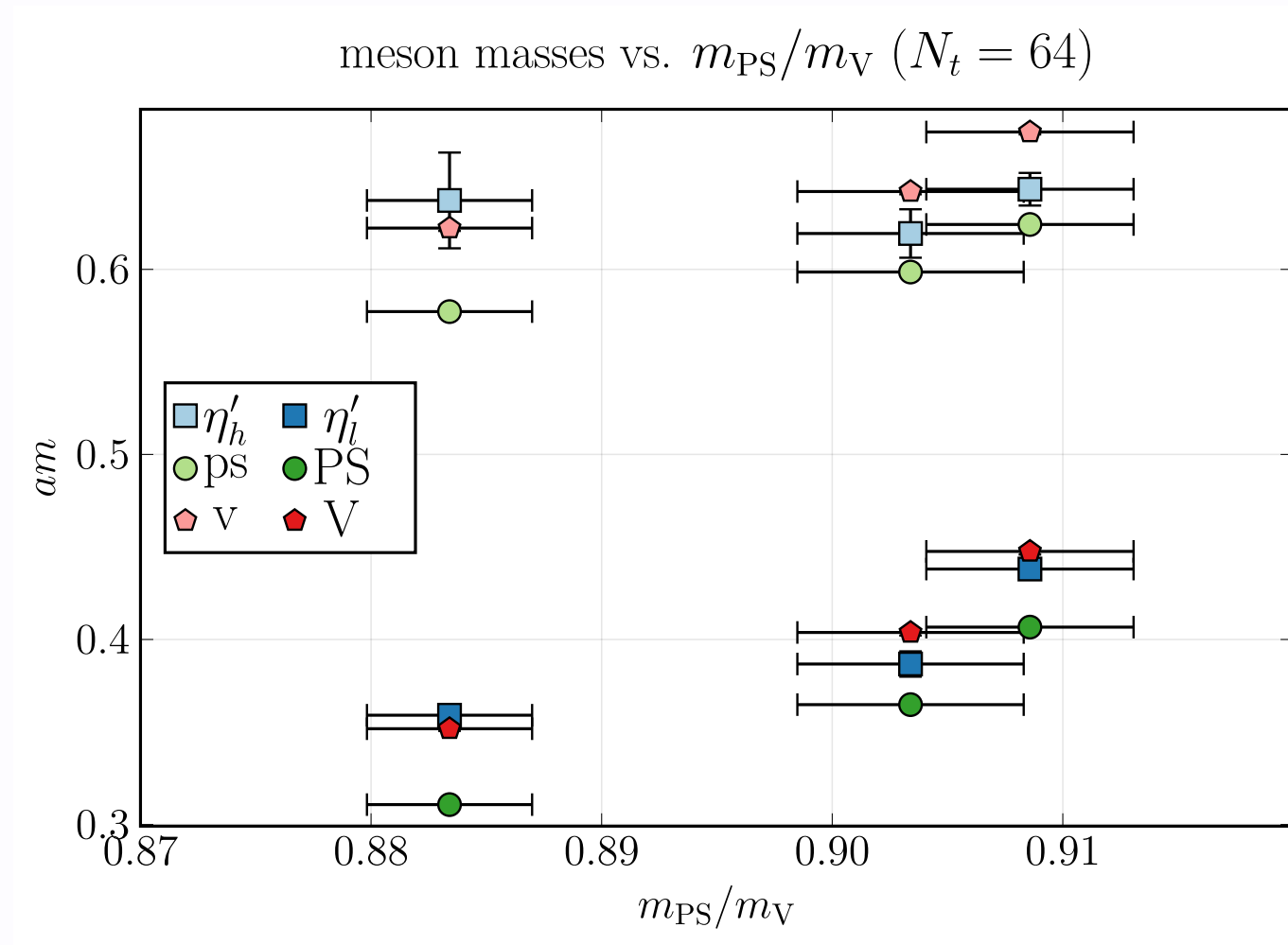
- N_f and N_{as} enhance singlet contributions
- non-vanishing fermion masses (m_f, m_{as}) suppress them

Results: Effective masses for η'_l and η'_h

- Variational analysis for correlation matrix $C_{ij}(t)$
- n^{th} eigenvalue falls off exponentially with energy E_n
- Masses from fits to correlator at large t



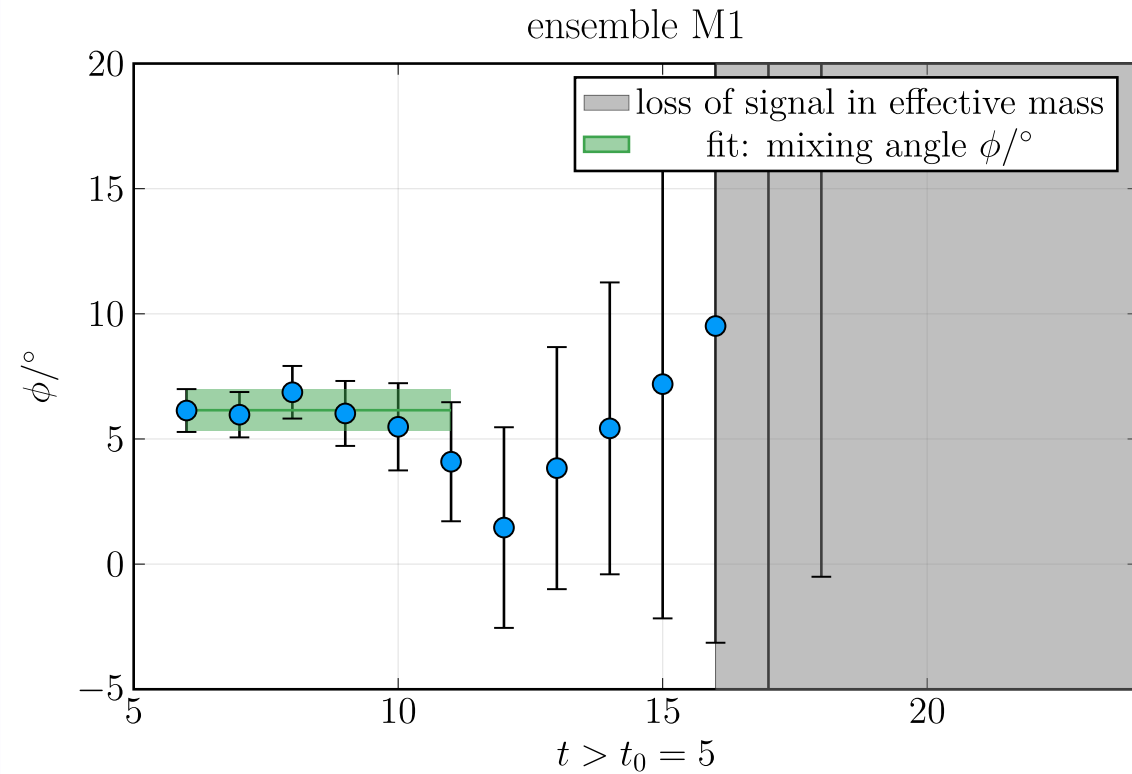
Results: Pseudoscalar Singlet Masses



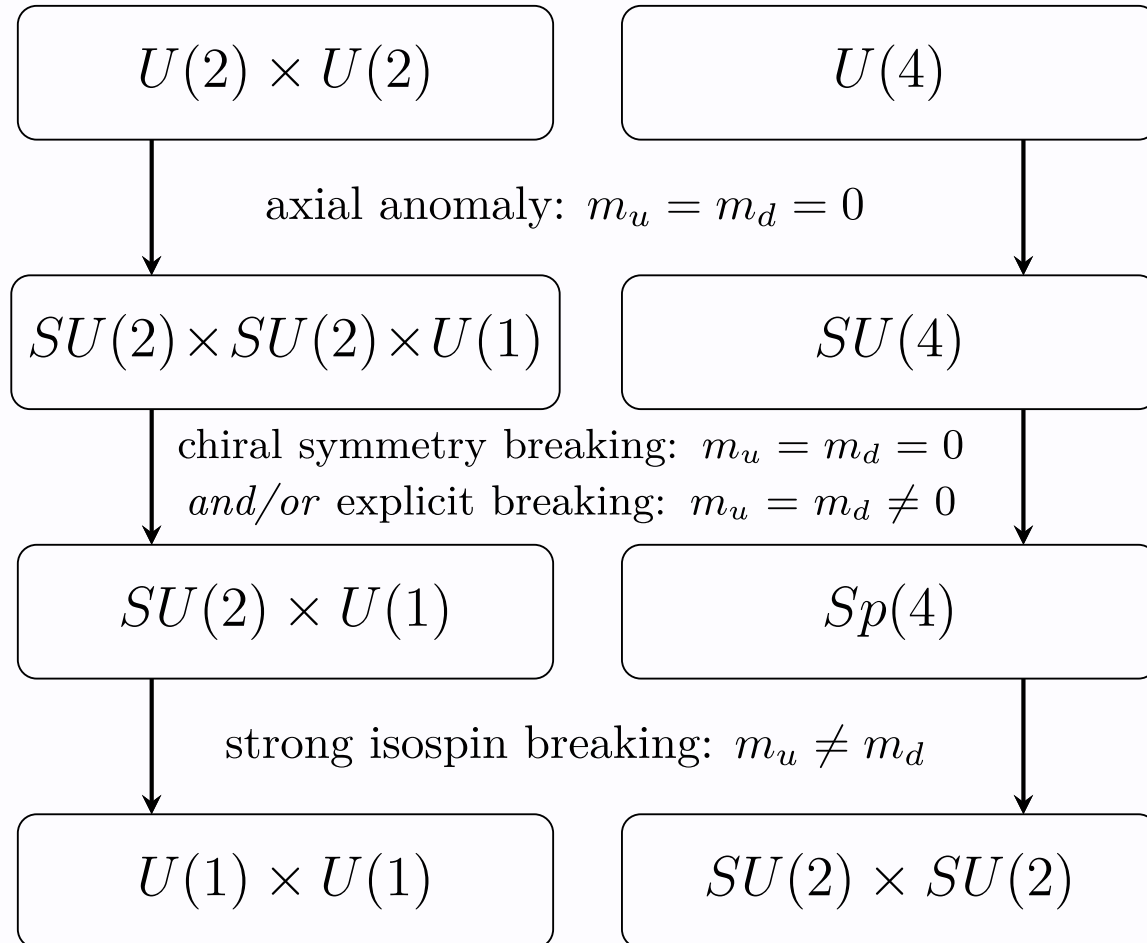
- Spectrum likely dominated by heavy fermion masses

Results: Mixing Angle ϕ small

- Consistently small mixing angles



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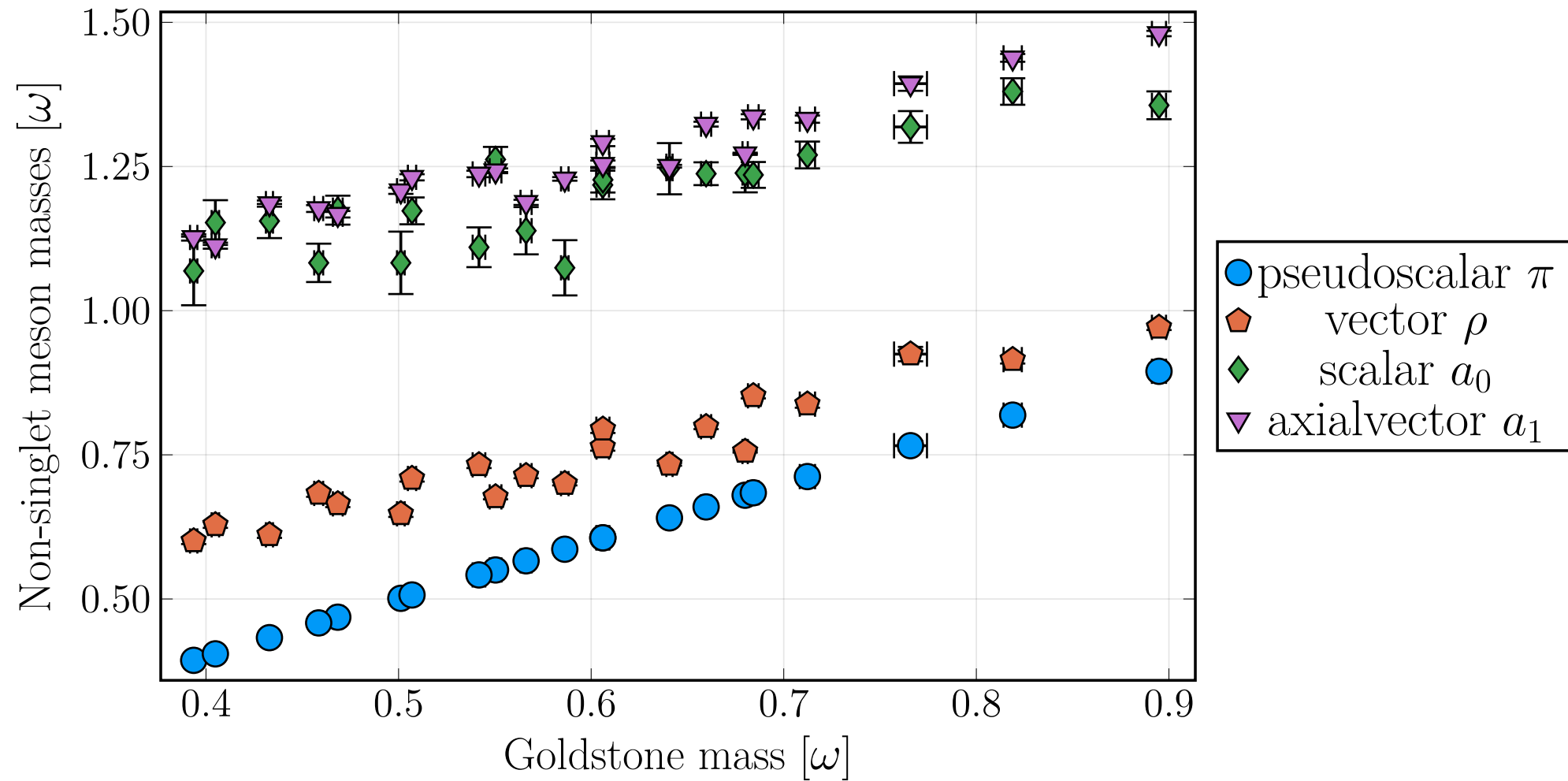
$SU(3)_c : N_f = 2$ $Sp(4)_c : N_f = 2$ 

SIMPs from $Sp(4)$ gauge theory

- Pseudo-real representation: ^[1]
 \Rightarrow more pseudo-Goldstones
 \Rightarrow no fermionic bound states
- $N_f = 2$: exactly 5 Goldstones
 - Allows 3DM \rightarrow 2DM ^[2]

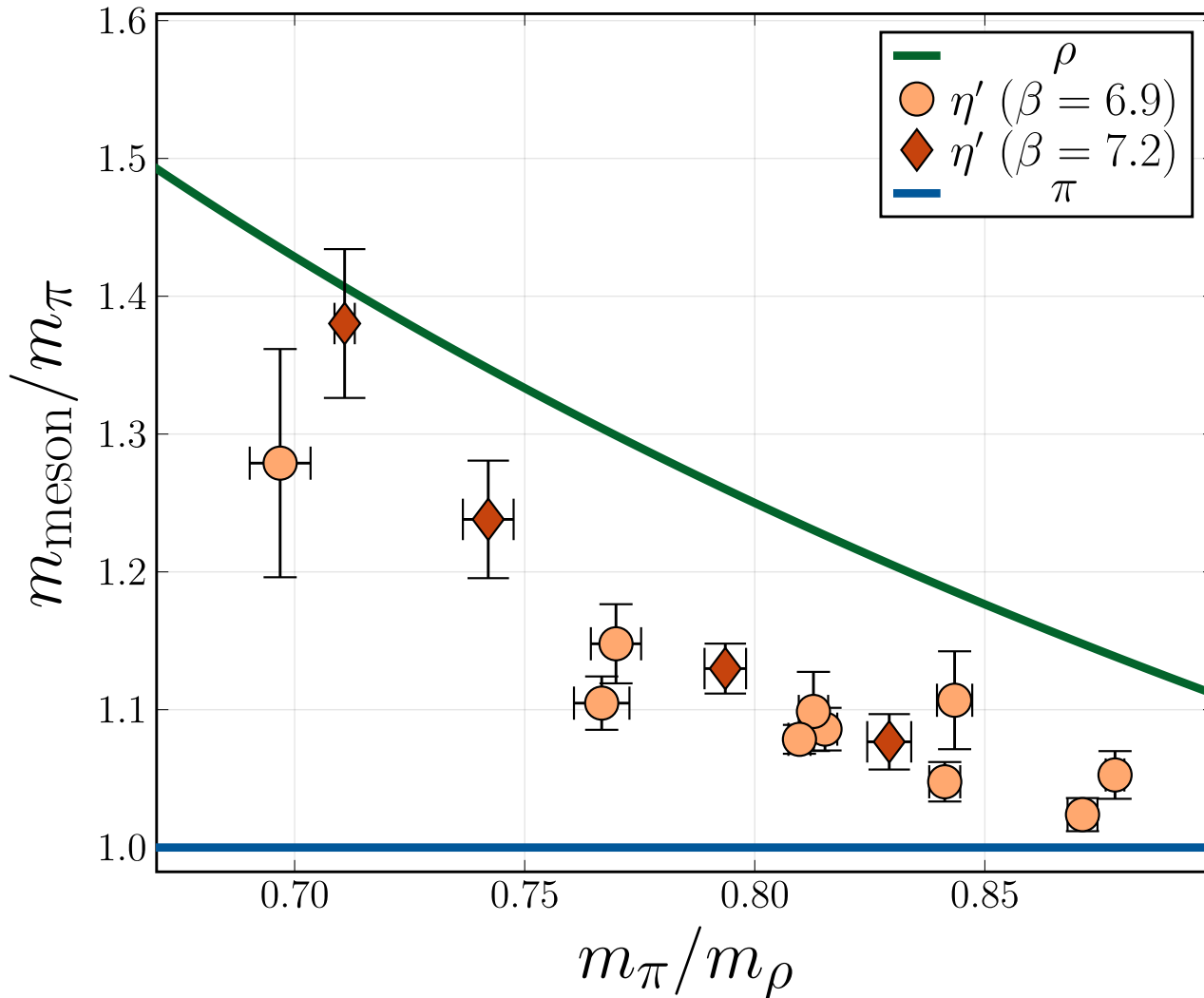
$Sp(4)$ with two fermions is a minimal SIMP DM realisation

Non-singlet spectrum



The pseudoscalar and vector mesons are the lightest non-singlets.³⁰

The pseudoscalar singlet η' is surprisingly light!



- Phenomenologically relevant:
 - $m_\rho > m_{\eta'}$ different from QCD
 - relevant low-energy dof
 - η' relevant for $\pi\pi$ scattering
 - more accessible channels for decays into SM

Interesting! Is this surprising?

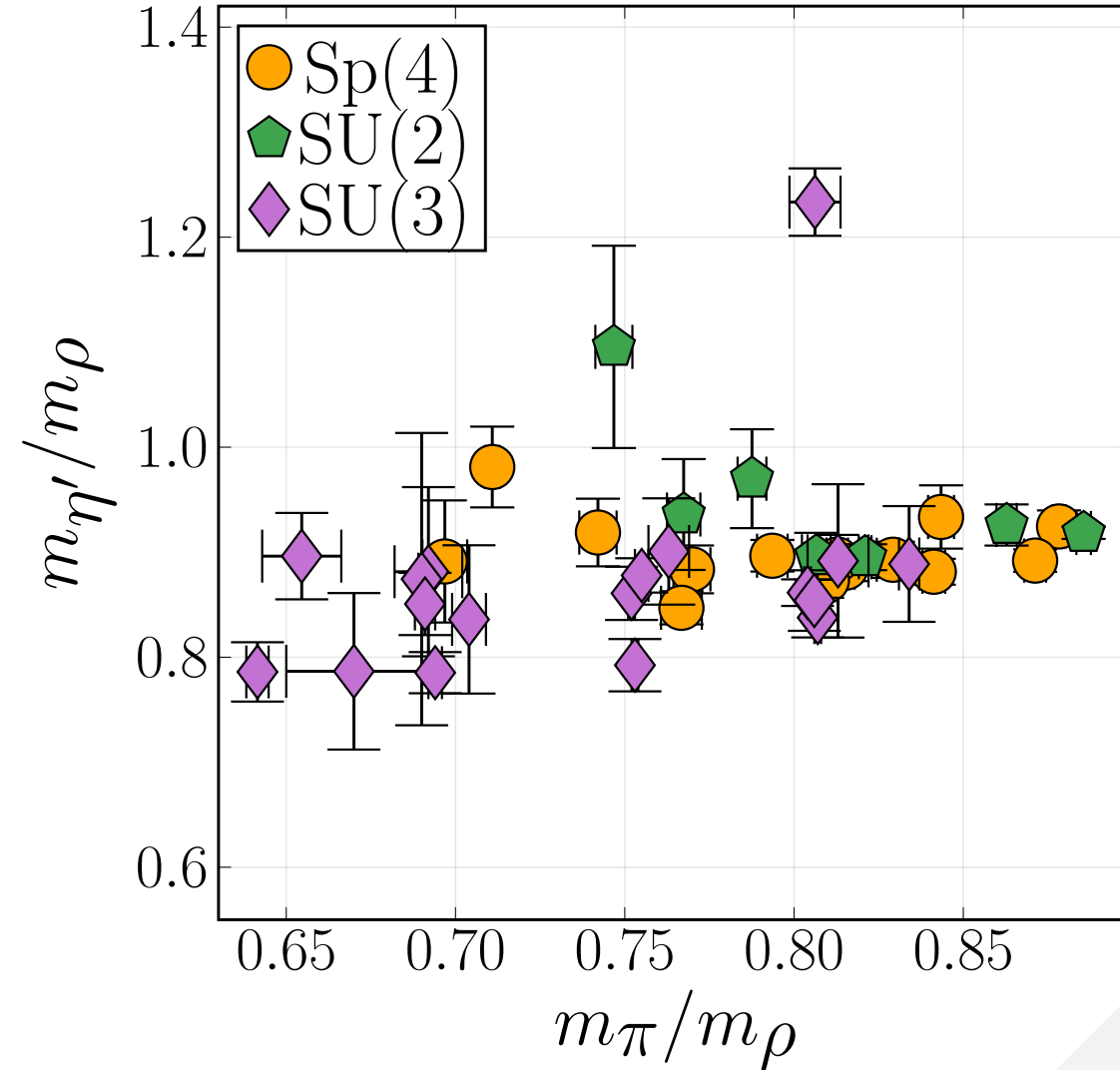
Consider different theories:

- Large N_c : $m_{\eta'} - m_\pi \propto N_f / N_c$
 - $N_f = 2$ could be "small"
 - $N_c = 4$ could be "large"

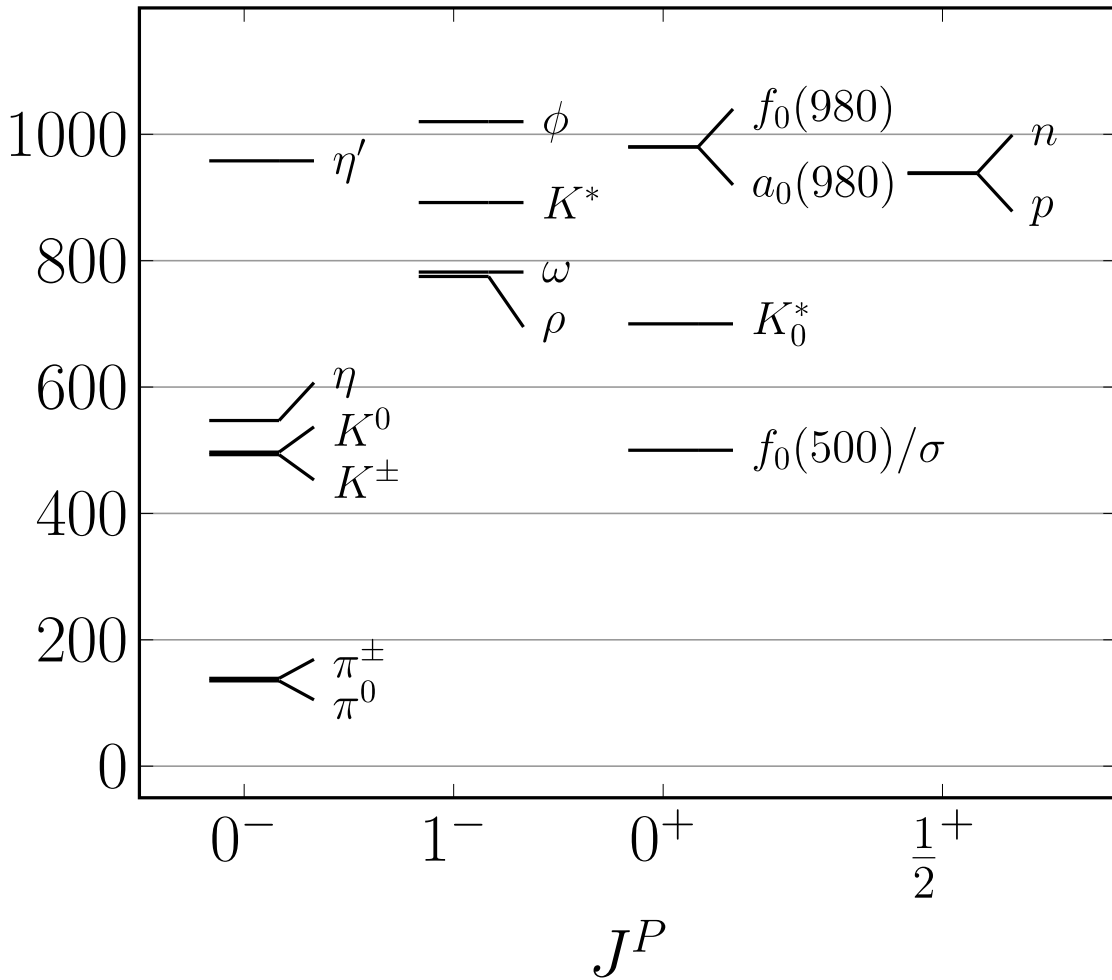
SU(2) and SU(3) comparison:

- Similarities: generic $N_f = 2$ feature?
- QCD: strong N_f dependence
- Differences may arise $m_\pi / m_\rho \rightarrow 0$

mass driven by flavour content!



Experimental light hadron masses [MeV]



QCD Spectrum

- π, K, η light: pseudo-Goldstones
- Vectors and scalars light
- Light and broad 0^+ singlet f_0/σ
- Heavy 0^- singlet η'
 $\Rightarrow U(1)_A$ anomalously broken

Lattice Investigation: Mixing Angle

- Obtained from operator mixing (no signal for decay constants)
- Use of flavour basis justifies use of single mixing angle [1]

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle 0 | O_{\eta^f} | \eta'_l \rangle & \langle 0 | O_{\eta^{as}} | \eta'_l \rangle \\ \langle 0 | O_{\eta^f} | \eta'_h \rangle & \langle 0 | O_{\eta^{as}} | \eta'_h \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_f^{\eta'_l} & A_{as}^{\eta'_l} \\ A_f^{\eta'_h} & A_{as}^{\eta'_h} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} A_{\eta'_l} \cos \phi & A_{\eta'_l} \sin \phi \\ -A_{\eta'_h} \sin \phi & A_{\eta'_h} \cos \phi \end{pmatrix}$$

- Matrix elements are obtained from the eigenvectors of the GEVP
- Expected to be constant for all timeslices t
- Test for dominance of fermion masses:
 - $m_{\text{fermions}} \rightarrow \infty$ implies that $\phi \rightarrow 0$

An example: $Sp(4)$ with 2 fundamental + 3 antisymmetric

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- **Non-perturbative input needed for pheno \Rightarrow Lattice**
- $5 + 20 + 1$ pseudo-Goldstones + $1 U(1)_A$ state
- The two $U(1)$ states will mix: both are 0^- iso-singlets
- Fermionic bound states $QQ\Psi$ provide top partner

- **Goals: Determine hadron spectrum on the lattice**
- In parallel: Develop techniques for finite temperature!