

Spin-independent couplings of WIMPs to nucleons

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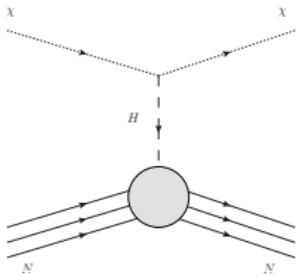
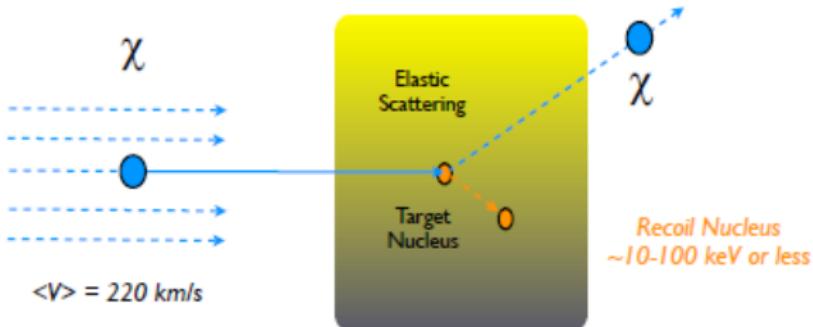
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Direct WIMP dark matter detection



$$\mathcal{L}_{q\chi} = \sum_q \lambda_q^\Gamma [\bar{q}\Gamma q][\bar{\chi}\Gamma\chi] \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{N\chi} = \lambda_N^\Gamma [\bar{N}\Gamma N][\bar{\chi}\Gamma\chi]$$

Quarks are confined within nucleons
→ nonperturbative QCD tool

WIMP-nucleus spin-independent cross section

In low- E limit

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\chi Z}^{\text{SI}}}{dq^2} = \frac{1}{\pi v^2} [Z f_p + (A - Z) f_n]^2 |F_X(q^2)|^2$$

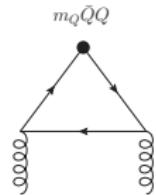
w/ $F_X(\vec{q} = 0) = 1$ nuclear FF and χN couplings ($N = p, n$)

$$\frac{f_N}{M_N} = \sum_{q=[ud],s} f_q^N \frac{\lambda_q}{m_q} + \sum_{Q=c,b,t} f_Q^N \frac{\lambda_Q}{m_Q}$$

such that ($f = u, d, s, c, b, t$ and $\langle N(\vec{p}') | N(\vec{p}) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta^{(3)}(\vec{p}' - \vec{p})$)

$$f_{ud}^N M_N = \sigma_{\pi N} = m_{ud} \langle N | \bar{u}u + \bar{d}d | N \rangle, \quad f_f^N M_N = \sigma_{fN} = m_f \langle N | \bar{f}f | N \rangle$$

For heavy $Q = c, b, t$ (Shifman et al '78)



$$\longrightarrow \quad m_Q \bar{Q}Q = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{4\pi} G^2 + O(\alpha_s, \frac{\mathcal{O}_6}{m_Q^2})$$

Heavy quark contributions

Then obtain f_Q^N in terms of f_q^N through to $M_N = \langle N | \theta^\mu_\mu | N \rangle$, w/

$$\theta^\mu_\mu = (1 - 2\gamma_m(\alpha_s)) \left[\sum_{q=u,d,s} m_q \bar{q} q + \sum_{Q=c,b,t} m_Q \bar{Q} Q \right] + \frac{\beta(\alpha_s)}{2} G^2$$

Find, $Q = (c,)b, t,$

$$f_Q^N \equiv \frac{\langle N | m_Q \bar{Q} Q | N \rangle}{M_N} = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{\alpha_s}{\tilde{\beta}(\alpha_s)} \left(1 - \sum_{q=[ud],s} f_q^N \right) + O(\alpha_s, \frac{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2}{m_Q^2})$$

w/ $\tilde{\beta}(\alpha_s) = -\tilde{\beta}_0 \alpha_s + O(\alpha_s)$ and $\tilde{\beta}_0 = \beta_0 + \frac{2}{3} N_Q = 11 - \frac{2}{3} N_q = 9$

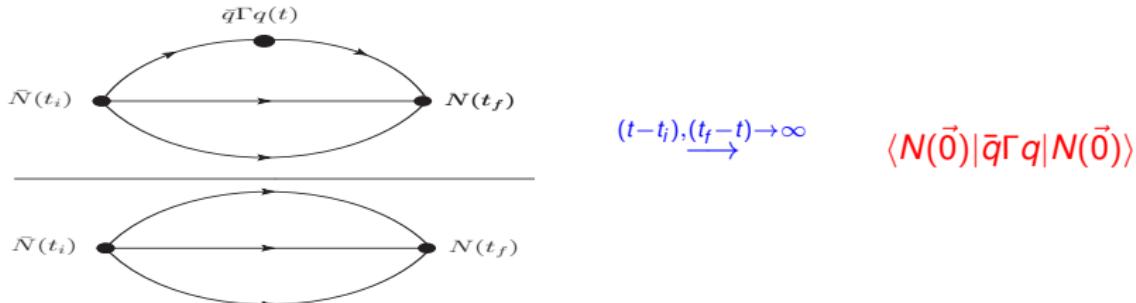
- Need to measure or compute nonperturbative QCD quantities $f_q^N M_N = \sigma_{qN} = m_q \langle N | \bar{q} q | N \rangle$, $q = u, d, s, c \rightarrow$ Lattice QCD
- If only t, b obtained w/ HQE, syst on $f_{(t/b)}^N$ is $\sim O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/m_b^2) \sim 0.005$, and if c is also, syst on $f_{(t/b/c)}^N$ is $\sim O(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^2/m_c^2) \sim 0.06$

σ -terms from LQCD: matrix element (ME) method

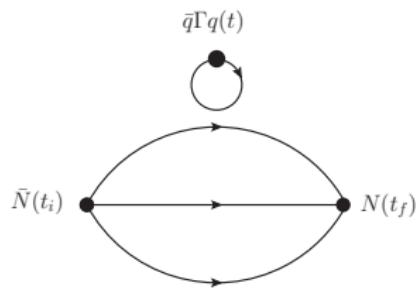
$$\sigma_{\pi N} = m_{ud} \langle N | \bar{u}u + \bar{d}d | N \rangle$$

$$\sigma_{fN} = m_f \langle N | \bar{f}f | N \rangle$$

Extract directly from time-dependence of 3-pt fns:



- ✓ Desired matrix element appears at leading order
- ✗ Must compute more noisy 3-pt fn
- ✗ Quark-disconnected contribution very challenging, though generally suppressed
- ✗ $m_q \bar{q}q$ renormalization challenging (Wilson fermions)

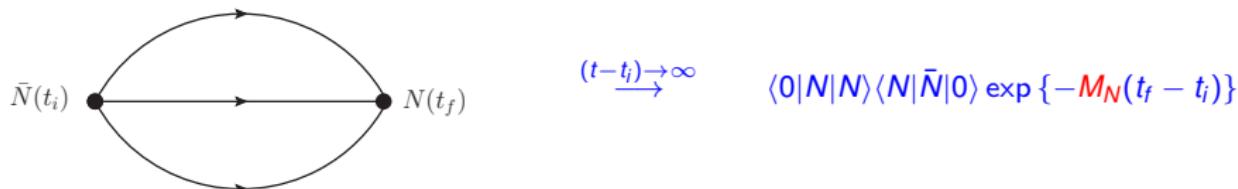


σ -terms from LQCD: Feynman-Hellmann (FH) method

Feynman-Hellmann (FH) theorem gives

$$\langle N | m_q \bar{q} q | N \rangle = m_q \left. \frac{\partial M_N}{\partial m_q} \right|_{m_q^{(\phi)}}$$

On lattice get M_N from time-dependence of 2pt-fn, e.g.:



- ✓ Only simpler and less noisy 2pt-fn is needed
- ✓ No difficult quark-disconnected contributions
- ✓ No difficult renormalization
- ✗ m_{ud} -dependence not very large

$$M_N \simeq 939 \text{ MeV} \simeq 895 \text{ MeV} + O(m_{ud})$$

→ must extract correction precisely

✗ m_s and even more so m_c dependences are even smaller around their physical values

Strategy of calculation

For f_q^N , $q = u, d, s$, use lattice QCD and Feynman-Hellmann theorem

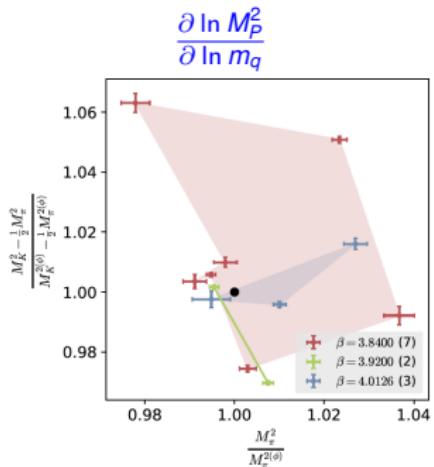
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Method:

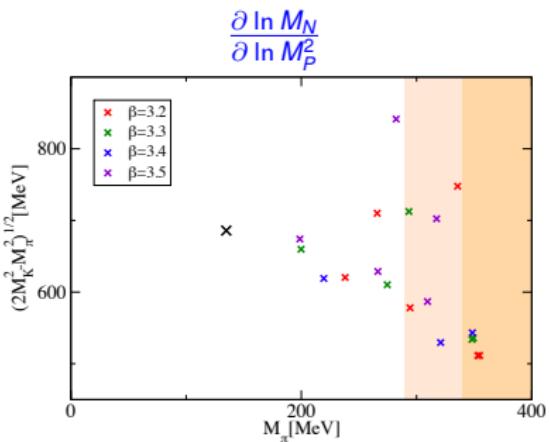
- Perform many high-statistics simulations with various m_q around physical values, various $a \lesssim 0.1 \text{ fm}$ and various $L \gtrsim 8 \text{ fm}$
- For each compute M_π ($\rightarrow m_{ud}$), $M_{K_X} = \sqrt{2M_K^2 - M_\pi^2}$ ($\rightarrow m_s$), M_{D_s} ($\rightarrow m_c$) and M_N ($\rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$)
- Study dependence of m_q , $q = ud, s, c$ and M_N on M_π^2 , $M_{K_X}^2$, M_{D_s} , a and L
- For each simulation determine a , $m_q^{(\phi)}$'s such that M_π, \dots take their physical value in $a \rightarrow 0$ and $L \rightarrow \infty$ limit
- Compute, at physical point

$$f_q^N = \sum_{P=\pi, K_X} \frac{\partial \ln M_P^2}{\partial \ln m_q} \frac{\partial \ln M_N}{\partial \ln M_P^2}$$

Lattice details



- $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$ 4-stout staggered fermions on tree-level improved Symanzik gluons
- $3 a \in [0.064, 0.095] \text{ fm}$ and $LM_\pi > 4$



- $N_f = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$ 3-HEX clover fermions on tree-level improved Symanzik gluons
- $4 a \in [0.064, 0.102] \text{ fm}$ and $LM_\pi > 12$

Improvements over BMWc, PRL '16

- ✓ Charm in sea
- ✓ $\gtrsim \times 100$ in statistics
- ✓ $\gtrsim \times 2$ lever arm in m_s

- ✓ Like PRL '16 FH in terms of quark and not meson masses
- ✗ No physical m_{ud} for $\frac{\partial \ln M_N}{\partial \ln M_P^2}$, but small enough and know M_N from experiment

Determination of Jacobian (preliminary)

- Jacobian:

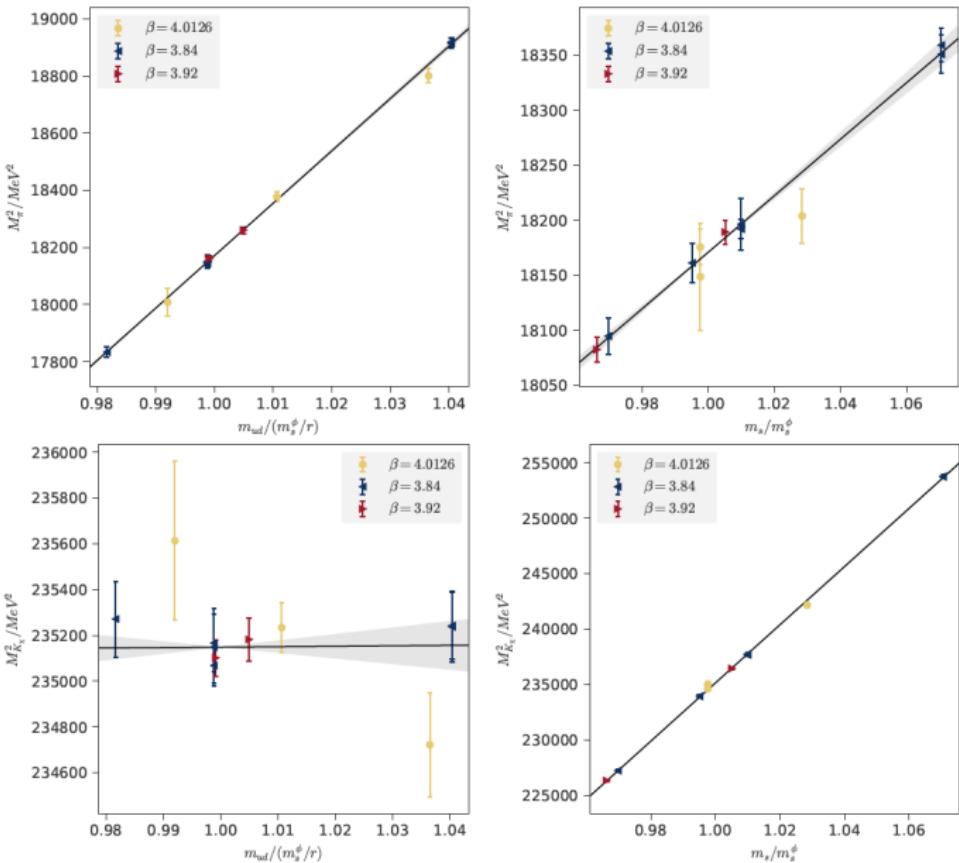
$$\frac{\partial \ln M_P^2}{\partial \ln m_q}$$

w/ $P = \pi, K_\chi$,
 $q = u, d, s$

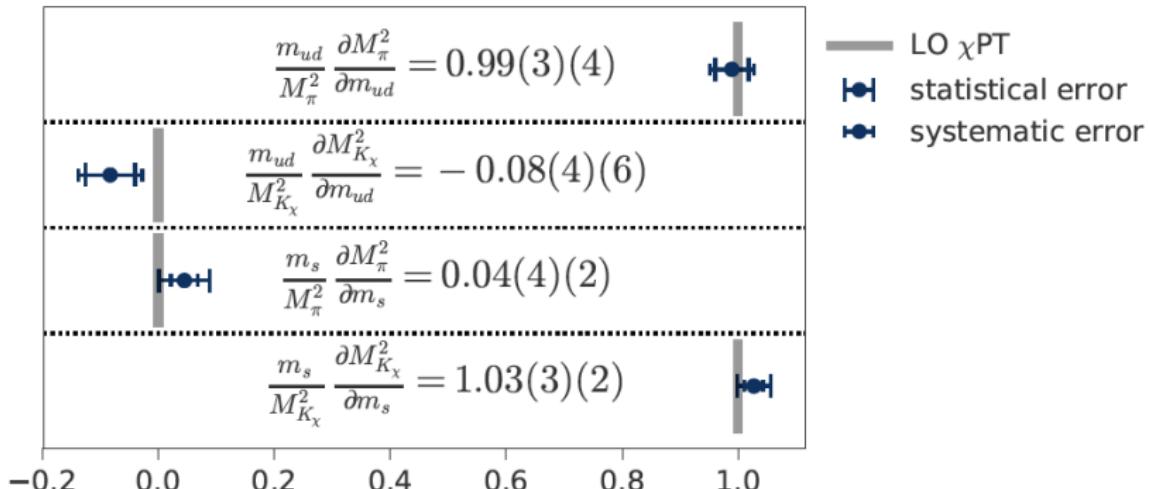
- Two independent analyses give completely compatible results

(1) m_q vs M_π^2 &
 $M_{K_\chi}^2$
(2) M_π^2 & $M_{K_\chi}^2$ vs
 m_q

- Here show (2)



Results for Jacobian (preliminary)

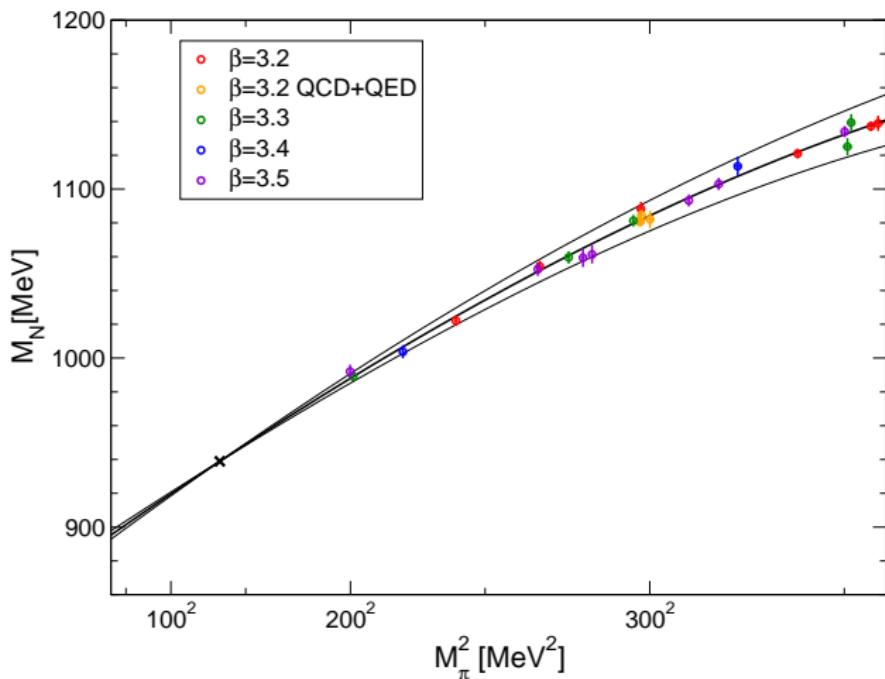


Side product:

$$\frac{m_s}{m_{ud}} = 27.29(33)(8)$$

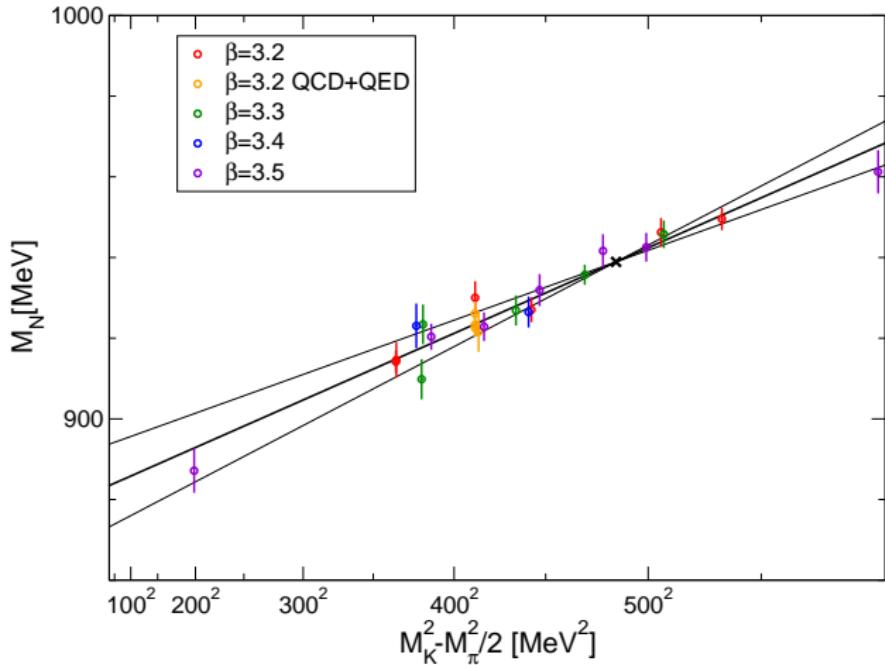
(see FLAG '19 $m_s/m_{ud} = 27.31(10)(10)$)

$M_\pi^2 \sim m_{ud}$ dependence of M_N (preliminary)



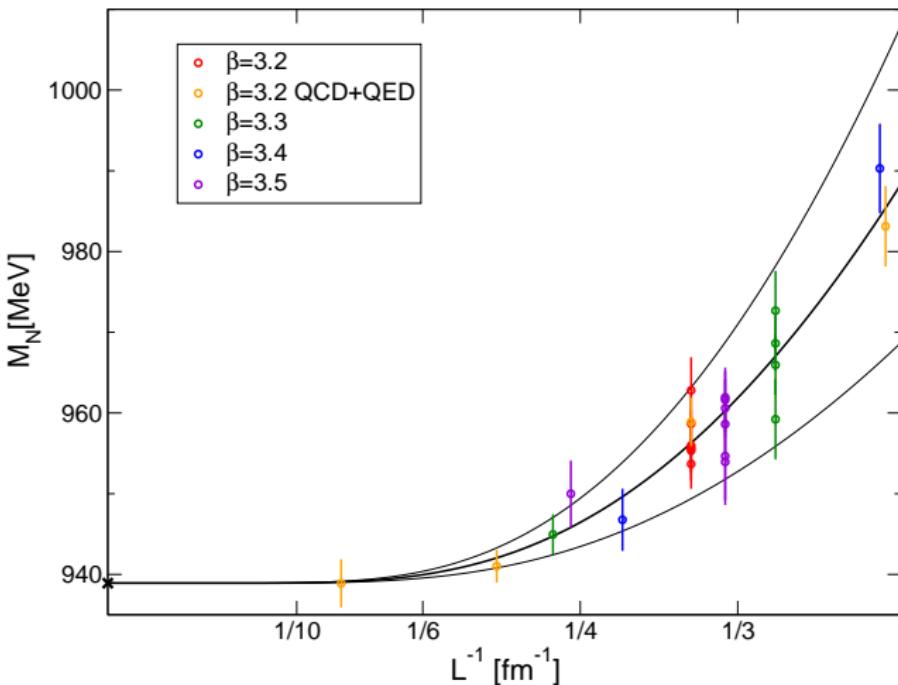
- Fit dependence of M_N on M_π^2 , $M_{K_X}^2$, a , L
- Various polynomial, Padé and χ PT ansätze
- $M_\pi < \{360, 420\}$ MeV
- Spread into systematic error

$M_{K_\chi} \sim m_s$ dependence of M_N (preliminary)



- Fit dependence of M_N on M_π^2 , $M_{K_\chi}^2$, a , L
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Finite-volume effects



- Correct for leading FV effects: $\frac{M_X(L) - M_X}{M_X} = c M_\pi^{1/2} L^{-3/2} e^{-M_\pi L}$
- $c = 35(13)(5) \text{GeV}^{-2}$ compatible with χPT expectation (Colangelo et. al. '10)

SU(2) isospin relations for $f_{u/d}^{p/n}$

[BMWc, PRL 116 (2016), see also Crivellin et al '14]

- Input: f_{ud}^N , $\Delta_{\text{QCD}} M_N = 2.52(17)(24)$ MeV (BMWc, Science '15) & $r \equiv m_u/m_d = 0.46(2)(2)$ (FLAG '17)
- SU(2) relations w/ $\delta m = m_d - m_u$

$$H = H_{\text{iso}} + H_{\delta m}, \quad H_{\delta m} = \frac{\delta m}{2} \int d^3x (\bar{d}d - \bar{u}u)$$

$$\Delta_{\text{QCD}} M_N = \delta m \langle p | \bar{u}u - \bar{d}d | p \rangle$$

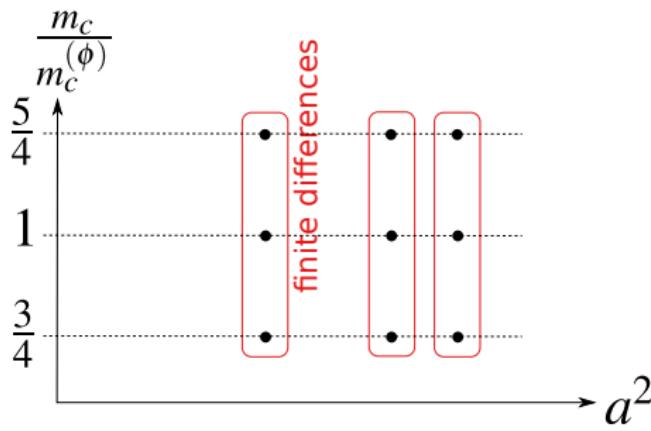
lead to

$$\begin{aligned} f_u^{p/n} &= \left(\frac{r}{1+r} \right) f_{ud}^N \pm \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{r}{1-r} \right) \frac{\Delta_{\text{QCD}} M_N}{M_N} + O((\delta m)^2, m_{ud}\delta m) \\ f_d^{p/n} &= \left(\frac{1}{1+r} \right) f_{ud}^N \mp \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{1-r} \right) \frac{\Delta_{\text{QCD}} M_N}{M_N} + O((\delta m)^2, m_{ud}\delta m) \end{aligned}$$

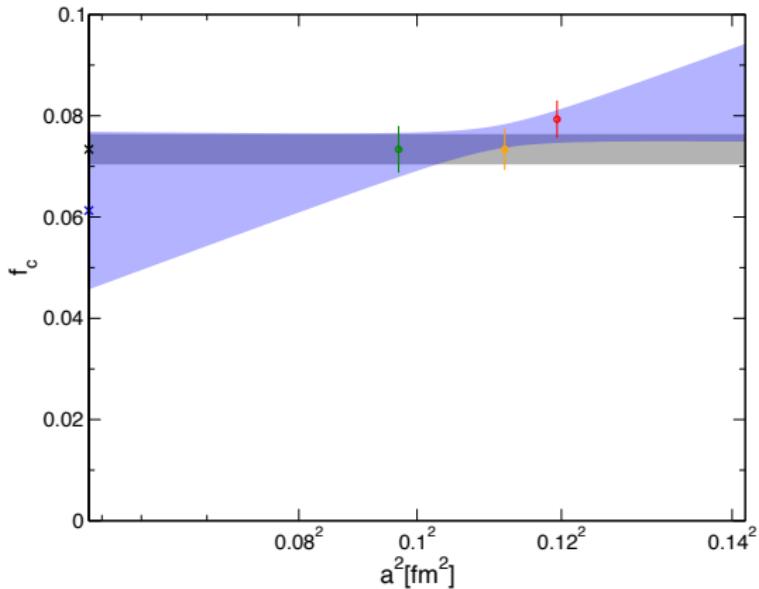
- Huge improvement on usual SU(3)-flavor approach

Strategy for charm sigma term

- 9 dedicated $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$, 4-stout staggered fermion simulations on tree-level improved Symanzik gluons
- 3 $a \in [0.095, 0.118]$ fm and $LM_\pi > 4$
- For each a , fix m_{ud} and m_s to physical values and consider 3 charm masses:
 $\frac{3}{4}m_c^\phi, m_c^\phi, \frac{5}{4}m_c^\phi$
- Get σ_{cN} through finite differences



Continuum extrapolation of f_{cN}

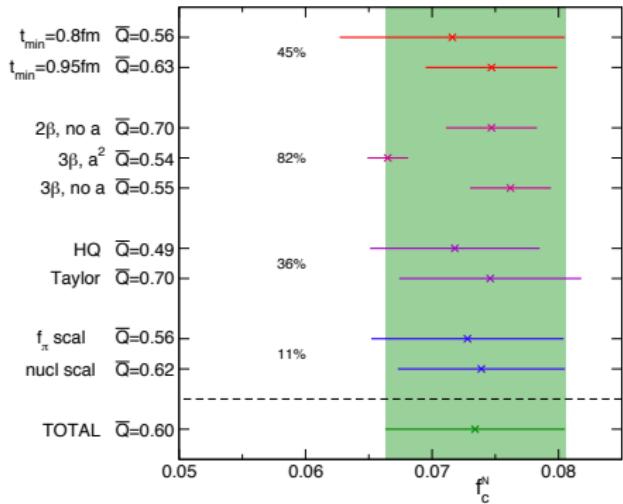
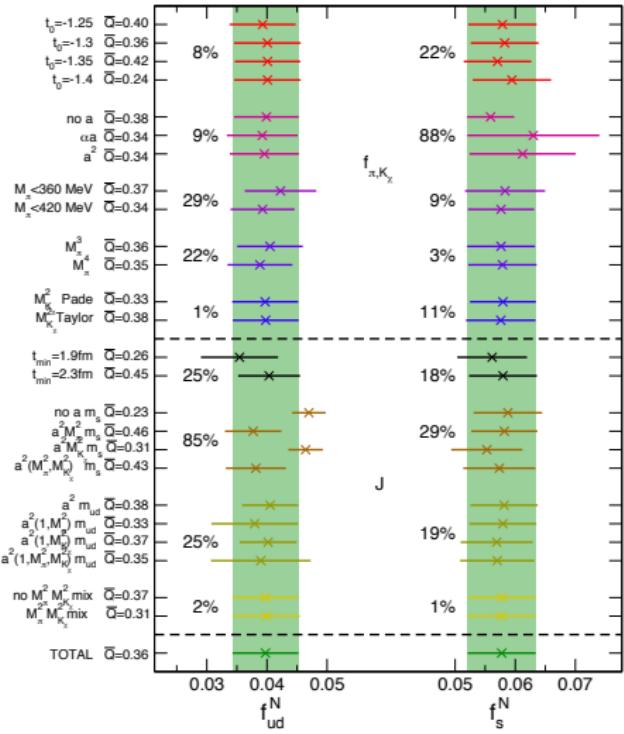


For systematic error estimate associated w/ $a \rightarrow 0$, use differences between:

- constant fit in a^2 to two finest lattice results
- linear fit in a^2 to all lattice results
- quadratic fit in a^2 to all lattice results

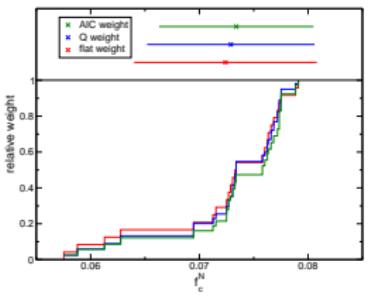
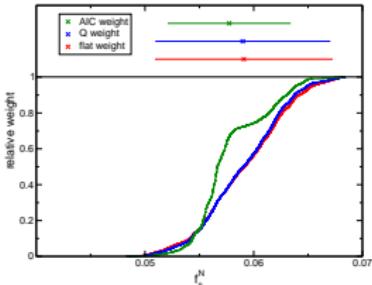
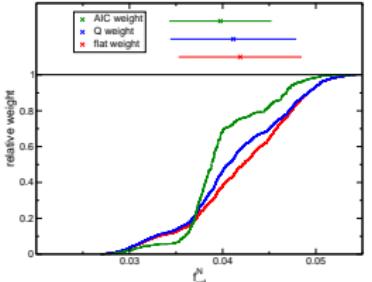
Sources of systematic error (preliminary)

Use extended frequentist approach (BMWc '08, '15): perform large number of plausible analyses and use variation to get systematic error



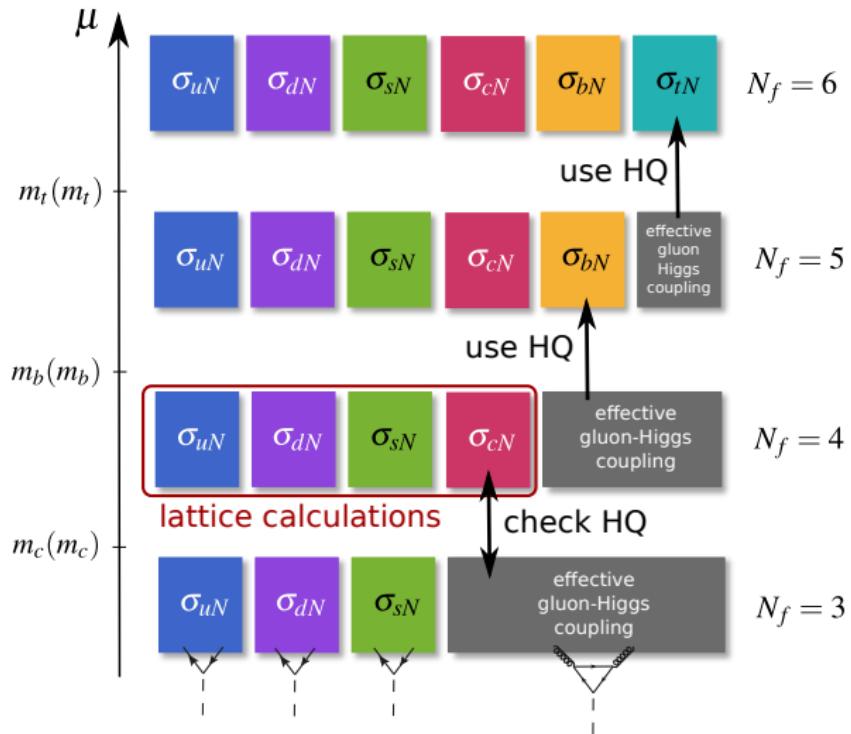
Systematic and statistical errors (preliminary)

- Perform large number of plausible analyses
- Combine into pdf using associated probability
- Mean over pdf gives central value
- Variance over pdf gives systematic error
- Different weights possible
- Crosscheck agreement
- Statistical error obtained from variance of central value over resampled samples

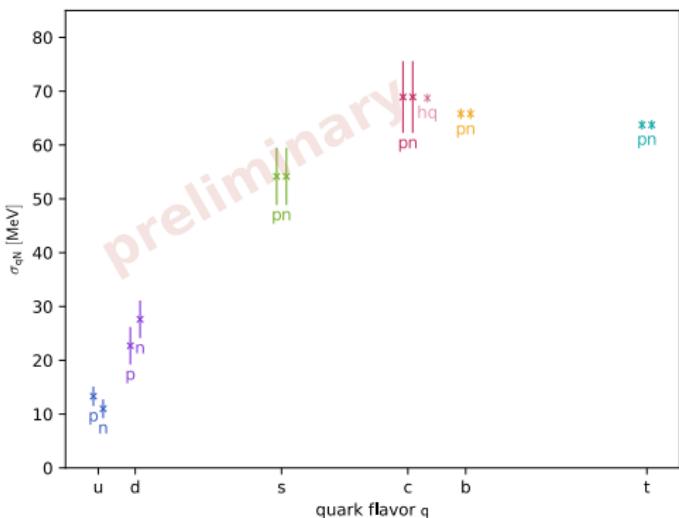


Heavy-quark sigma terms

Use HQ expansions of QCD w/ $N_f \leq 4$ to $O(\alpha_s^3)$ (Hill et al '15)

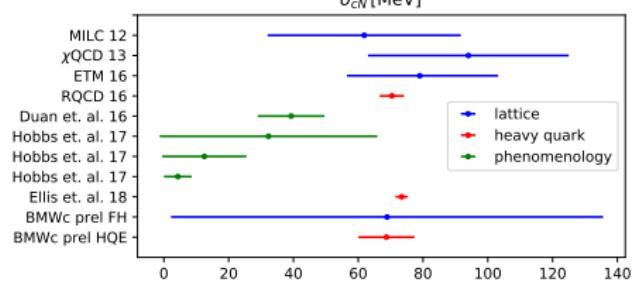
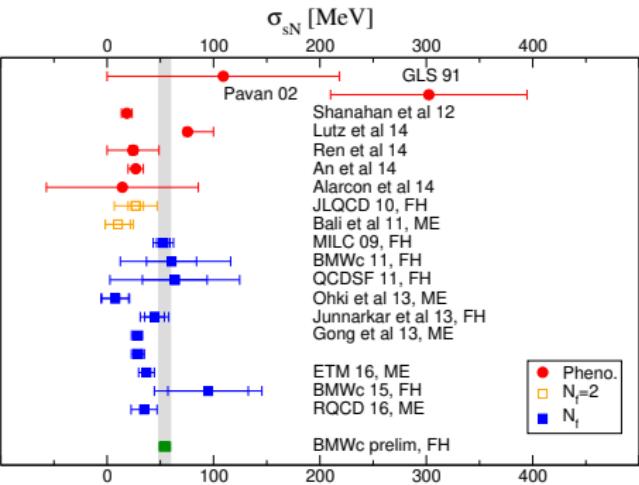
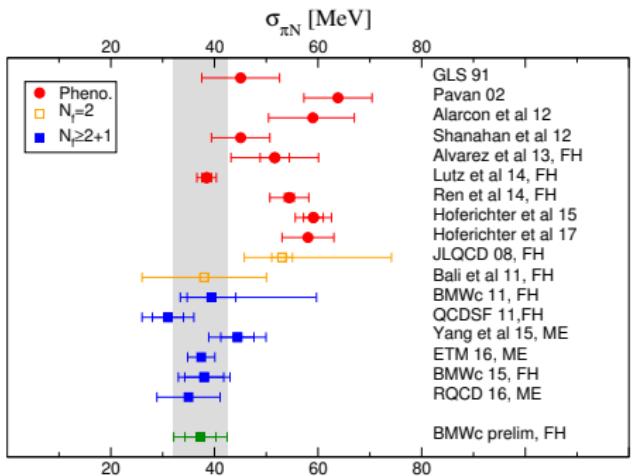


Results for all σ -terms (preliminary)



- All σ terms have total errors less than 15%
- $f_c^N - f_c^N|_{HQ} = 0.0002(45)(55)$ consistent with $O(\Lambda^2/m_c^2)$
- Low energy $N-h$ coupling is $f_{hN} \times M_N$ w/ $f_{hN} = \sum_{q=u,\dots,t} f_q^N = 0.3090(58)(61)$
- $N-h$ coupling is 31% or nucleon mass instead of 100% for fundamental particles
- 87% (resp. 68%) of that coupling comes for sea s, c, b, t (resp. c, b, t) quarks

Comparison



- Compatible w/ earlier **BMWc** results
- Hugely improved σ_{sN}
- Tension w/ **Hoferichter et. al. '15 & '17**

BACKUP

Finite difference approximations for σ_{cN}

At fixed a , define:

$$\Delta^+ M_N = M_N(m_c = \frac{5}{4}m_c^{(\phi)}) - M_N(m_c = m_c^{(\phi)})$$

$$\Delta^- M_N = M_N(m_c = m_c^{(\phi)}) - M_N(m_c = \frac{3}{4}m_c^{(\phi)})$$

Combine in two ways:

- Standard finite difference formula (error: $O((\delta m_c/m_c)^2) = O(1/16)$)

$$\sigma_{cN} = m_c \frac{\partial M_N}{\partial m_c} = 2 \frac{\Delta^+ M_N + \Delta^- M_N}{M_N^{(\phi)}}$$

- Based on HQ behavior (error: $O((\sigma_{cN}/M_N^{(\phi)})^3) = O(3 \times 10^{-4})$)

$$\sigma_{cN} = \frac{1}{\log \frac{5}{4} \log \frac{4}{3} \log \frac{5}{3}} \left(\log^2 \frac{4}{3} \Delta^+ M_N + \log^2 \frac{5}{4} \Delta^- M_N \right)$$

Preliminary results

	Nucleon	Individual p and n
f_{ud}^N	0.0398(32)(44)	f_u^p 0.0142(12)(15)
f_s^N	0.0577(46)(33)	f_d^p 0.0242(22)(30)
f_c^N	0.0734(45)(55)	f_u^n 0.0117(11)(15)
f_b^N	0.0701(7)(8)	f_d^n 0.0294(22)(30)
f_t^N	0.0679(6)(7)	

Side product: M_N in SU(2) and SU(3) chiral limits

$$M_{N_\chi}^{\text{SU}(2)} = 895(2)(4) \text{ MeV} \quad M_{N_\chi}^{\text{SU}(3)} = 845(5)(6) \text{ MeV}$$