

Identifying Conformal Gauge Theories (CGT) on the lattice



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Overview

★ Motivation & introduction conformal window studies

★ Identification on lattice

- observables in CGT and mass-deformed CGT
- **hyperscaling** laws of hadronic observables

Del Debbio & RZ
PRD'10 & PLB'11

★ Brief overview lattice results

★ Backup slides (further topics), some relevant references
(Incomplete) list of contributors to non-SUSY conformal window

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Uno, Ishikawa, Schneible, Tuominen, Hietanen, Rummukainen, Kerrane, Meurice et al
+ functional RGE + SUSY + AdS/CFT*

Scaling dimension $\Delta_{\mathcal{O}} = d_{\mathcal{O}} + \gamma_{\mathcal{O}}$; naive plus anomalous dimension

$$\gamma_m = -\gamma_{\bar{q}q} , \quad \text{denoted by } \gamma_* \text{ at fixed-point} \Rightarrow \Delta_{\bar{q}q} = 3 - \gamma_*$$

Motivations for studying “gauge theory space”

gauge theories are interesting per se
(applications in mathematical physics)

gauge theories are associated with
forces in nature (LHC?)

prototype: **Technicolor** (*Susskind/Weinberg '79*)

• Higgs sector \Rightarrow strongly coupled gauge theory

• Electroweak symmetry breaking due to chiral symmetry breaking - $M_W = g f_\pi^{(TC)}$

• Phenomenologically (constraints) advantageous are:

Walking technicolour (*Holdom '81*)

Conformal technicolour (*Luty, Okui '04*)

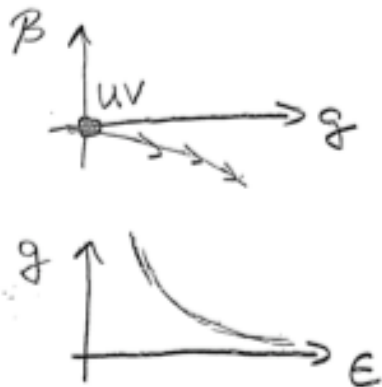
What is meant by: “gauge theory space”

- ★ Adjustable: (1) gauge group e.g. $SU(N_c)$
(2) N_f (massless) fermions
(3) fermion **representation**

- ★ Focus on **asymptotically free** theories (not many representations)

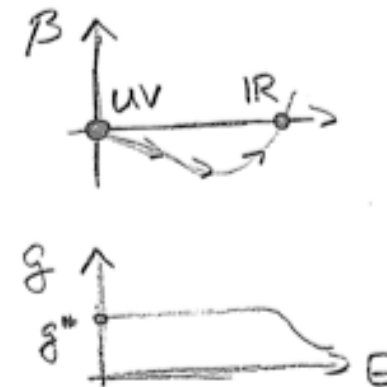
- well defined on lattice
- chance for unification in TC

QCD-like



Cartoon

IR-conformal



Distinction of these two cases goal of this talk

A few more remarks

- ★ “Bad language”:
- 1) What is **IR-conformal** we called conformal gauge theories
 - 2) Conformal and scale invariant not distinguished here
(Truly conformal gauge theories so far in SUSY e.g. N=4)

- ★ **Unitarity bound** CFT from SO(4,2) representation theory:
Scaling dimension Δ_O for a scalar operator O :

$$\Delta_O \geq 1 \quad (=1 \text{ then free field})$$

Mack'77

Major goals (not exhaustive)

1. How many CGT? size of conformal window
2. Anomalous dimension γ_m^* : $\Delta_{qq} = 3 - \gamma_m^* \geq 1$ -- (γ_m^* large favorable for WTC)
3. The electroweak S-parameter -- (has discredited QCD-like TC)

N.B. unitarity bound: $\gamma_m^* \leq 2$

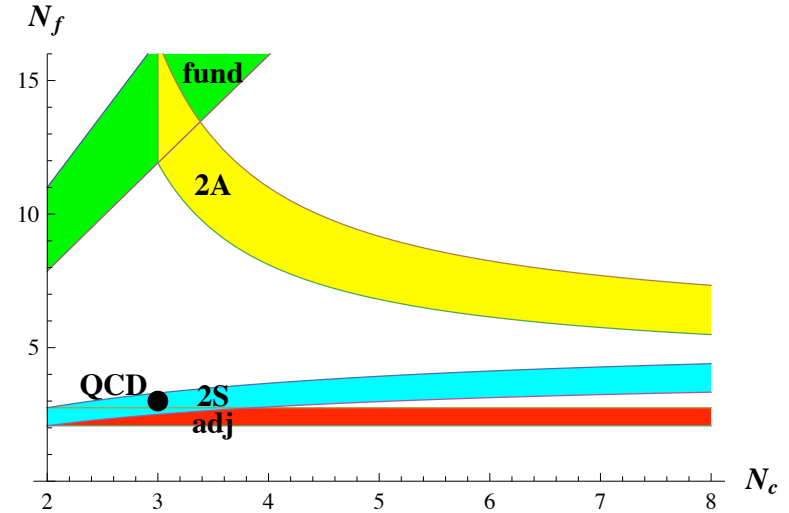
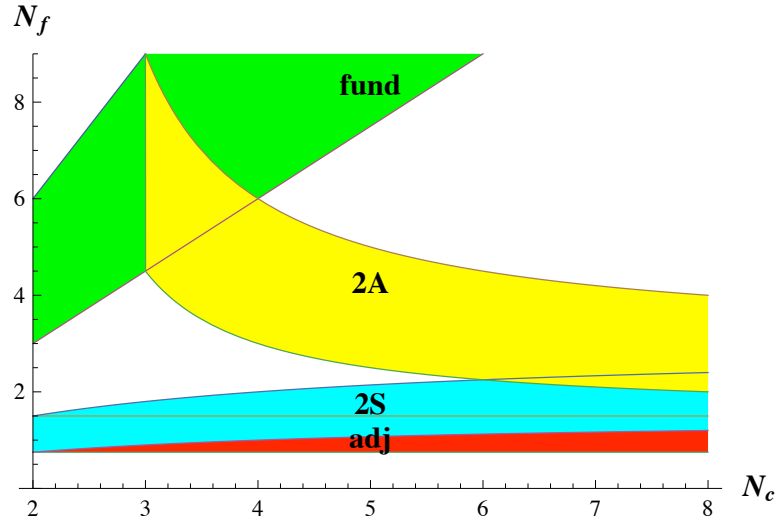
Conformal window (the picture)



“SU(N)”

N=1 SUSY

non-SUSY



☛ just below pert. BZ/BM fixed pt:

☛ lower line BZ/BM fixed pt
“electromagnetic dual”

☛ assume in between conformal
use $\beta_{\text{NSVZ}}(\gamma^*) = 0$ to get γ^*

☛ $\gamma^*|_{\text{strong}} = 1$ (unitarity bound QQ state)

weak coupling

strong coupling

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 β_0 tuned small $\frac{\alpha_s^*}{2\pi} = \frac{\beta_0}{-\beta_1} \ll 1$

☛ lower line Dyson-Schwinger eqs
predict chiral symmetry breaking
(lattice results later ...)

☛ $\gamma^*|_{\text{strong}} \approx 1$ DS eqs ladder

Observables in a CFT?

Or how to identify a CFT

1. Observables: vanishing β -function & $\langle O(x)O(0) \rangle \sim (x^2)^{-\Delta}$; $\Delta = d + \gamma^*$
2. Lattice computation finite m_{quark} (& volume) anyway

\Rightarrow look mass-deformed conformal gauge theories (mCGT)*

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{CGT}} - m\bar{q}q$$

* hardly related to 2D CFT mass deformation a part of algebra and 'therefore' integrability is maintained

Observables in mCGT

- ★ Goal: **analytic guidance** for lattice (**parametric laws**)
- ★ finite m_q ; quarks decouple \Rightarrow pure YM confines (string tension confirmed lattice)
(*Miransky*'s picture '98 resembles heavy quark theory ..later)
- ★ \Rightarrow hadronic spectrum \Rightarrow beloved hadronic observables

signature of such a theory: each hadronic observable

$$\mathcal{O} \sim m^{\eta_{\mathcal{O}}}, \quad \eta_{\mathcal{O}} > 0, \eta = f(\gamma_*)$$

Hyperscaling laws

Consider matrix element: $\mathcal{O}_{12}(g, \hat{m}, \mu) \equiv \langle \varphi_2 | \mathcal{O} | \varphi_1 \rangle$

*physical states
no anomalous dim.*

1. $\mathcal{O}_{12}(g, \hat{m}, \mu) = b^{-\gamma_{\mathcal{O}}} \mathcal{O}_{12}(g', \hat{m}', \mu') ,$

$$g' = b^{y_g} g \quad \hat{m}' = b^{y_m} \hat{m} , \quad y_m = 1 + \gamma_* , \quad y_g < 0 \text{ (irrelevant)}$$

RG-transformation
 $\mu = b\mu'$*

2. $\mathcal{O}_{12}(\hat{m}', \mu') = b^{-(d_{\mathcal{O}} + d_{\varphi_1} + d_{\varphi_2})} \mathcal{O}_{12}(\hat{m}', \mu)$

*change
physical units*

3. Choose b s.t. $\hat{m}' = 1$

*Hyperscaling
relations*

\Rightarrow

$$\mathcal{O}_{12}(\hat{m}, \mu) \sim (\hat{m})^{(\Delta_{\mathcal{O}} + d_{\varphi_1} + d_{\varphi_2})/y_m}$$

* From Weinberg-like RNG eqs on correlation functions (widely used in critical phenomena)

Applications:

$$\eta_{\mathcal{O}_{12}} = (\Delta_{\mathcal{O}} + d_{\varphi_1} + d_{\varphi_2})/y_m$$

★ vacuum condensates:

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \sim m^{\frac{3-\gamma_*}{1+\gamma_*}}, \quad \langle G^2 \rangle \sim m^{\frac{4}{1+\gamma_*}}$$

more later
on...

★ decay constants:

$$|\varphi\rangle = |H(\text{adronic})\rangle$$

N.B. ($\Delta_H = d_H = -1$ choice)

\mathcal{O}	def	$\langle 0 \mathcal{O} J^{P(C)}(p)\rangle$	$J^{P(C)}$	$\Delta_{\mathcal{O}}$	$\eta_{G[F]}$
S	$\bar{q}q$	G_S	0^{++}	$3 - \gamma_*$	$(2 - \gamma_*)/y_m$
S^a	$\bar{q}\lambda^a q$	G_{S^a}	0^+	$3 - \gamma_*$	$(2 - \gamma_*)/y_m$
P^a	$\bar{q}i\gamma_5 q$	G_{P^a}	0^-	$3 - \gamma_*$	$(2 - \gamma_*)/y_m$
V	$\bar{q}\gamma_\mu q$	$\epsilon_\mu(p)M_V F_V$	1^{--}	3	$1/y_m$
V^a	$\bar{q}\gamma_\mu \lambda^a q$	$\epsilon_\mu(p)M_V F_{V^a}$	1^-	3	$1/y_m$
A^a	$\bar{q}\gamma_\mu \gamma_5 \lambda^a q$	$\epsilon_\mu(p)M_A F_{A^a}$	1^+	3	$1/y_m$
		$ip_\mu F_{P^a}$	0^-	3	$1/y_m$

★ masses from **trace anomaly**:

Adler et al, Collins et al
N.Nielsen '77 Fujikawa '81

$$\theta_\alpha^\alpha|_{\text{on-shell}} = \frac{1}{2}\beta G^2 + N_f m(1 + \gamma_m)\bar{q}q$$

$$\beta = 0 \quad \& \quad \langle H(p)|H(k)\rangle = 2E_p \delta^{(3)}(p - k) \Rightarrow$$

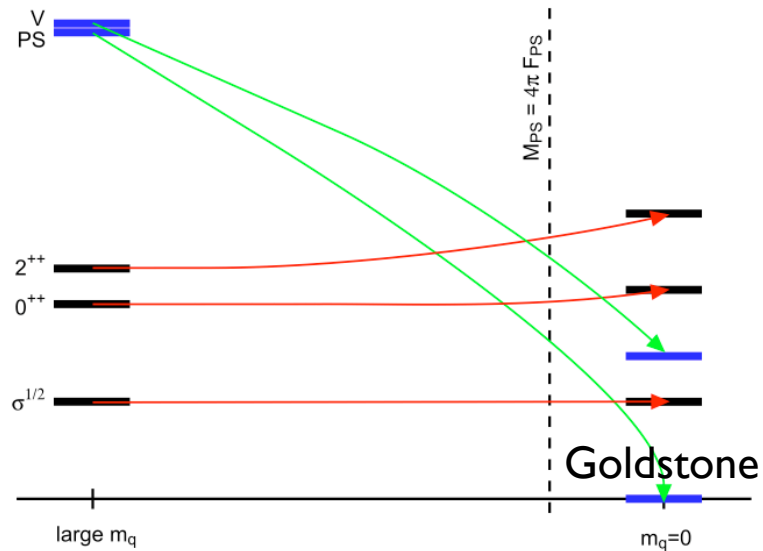
$$2M_h^2 = N_f(1 + \gamma_*)m \langle H|\bar{q}q|H\rangle$$

$$\sim m^{\frac{2}{(1+\gamma_*)}}$$

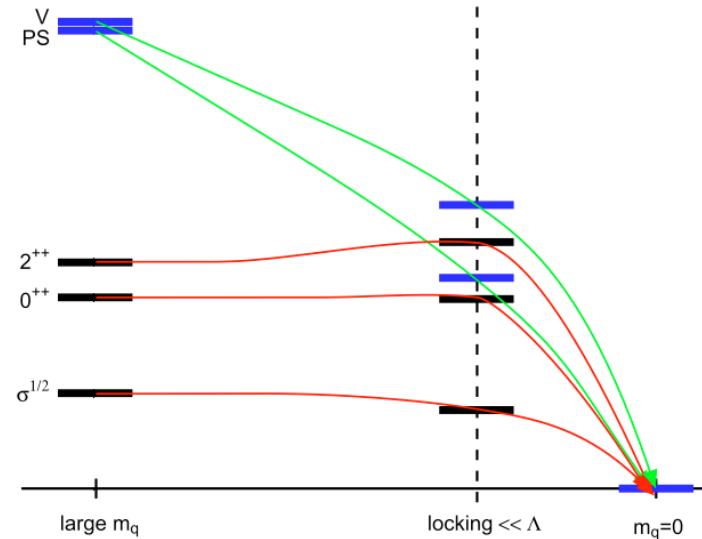
relation reminiscent
GMOR-relation

Let's pause: comparison with QCD-like spectrum

QCD-like (chiral symmetry broken)



mCGT spectrum



★ No SSB of χ -symmetry breaking (no goldstone boson)
since condensate triggered by explicit χ -breaking $L = m q_L q_R + \text{h.c.}$

⇒ **no chiral perturbation theory** (no parametric suppression of the “pion mass”)

★ A point that can be clarified: $M_H \sim m^{1/(1+\gamma^*)}$ looks a bit like heavy quark physics
Settled by observing: $f_P(\text{B-meson}) \sim m^{-1/2}$ whereas $f_P(\text{mCGT}) \sim m^{(2-\gamma^*)/(1+\gamma^*)}$

Mass scaling without RG

Del Debbio, RZ Sep'10

Hellmann-Feynman-Thm

$$\frac{\partial E_\lambda}{\partial \lambda} = \langle \psi(\lambda) | \frac{\partial \hat{H}(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} | \psi(\lambda) \rangle$$

idea: $\frac{\partial \langle \psi(\lambda) | \psi(\lambda) \rangle}{\partial \lambda} = 0$

★ applied to our case:

$$m \frac{\partial M_h^2}{\partial m} = N_f m \langle H | \bar{q}q | H \rangle$$

★ combined with GMOR-like ..

$$m \frac{\partial M_H}{\partial m} = \frac{1}{1+\gamma_*} M_H$$

$$2M_H^2 = N_f(1+\gamma_*)m \langle H | \bar{q}q | H \rangle$$

$$M_H \sim m^{\frac{1}{1+\gamma_*}}$$

scaling law
without using RG!

Generalized Banks-Casher relation

★ Banks & Casher '80 a la Leutwyler & Smilga 92':

Green's function: $\langle q(x)\bar{q}(y) \rangle = \sum_n \frac{u_n(x)u_n^\dagger(y)}{m-i\lambda_n}$, where $\mathcal{D}u_n = \lambda_n u_n$

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle_V = \frac{1}{V} \int dx \langle \bar{q}(x)q(x) \rangle = -\frac{2m}{V} \sum_{\lambda_n > 0} \frac{1}{m^2 + \lambda_n^2} \stackrel{V \rightarrow \infty}{\equiv} -2m \int_0^\infty d\lambda \frac{\rho(\lambda)}{m^2 + \lambda^2}$$

★ UV-divergences later -- focus IR-physics

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \stackrel{m \rightarrow 0}{\sim} m^{\eta_{\bar{q}q}} \Leftrightarrow \rho(\lambda) \stackrel{\lambda \rightarrow 0}{\sim} \lambda^{\eta_{\bar{q}q}}$$

★ QCD : $\eta_{\bar{q}q} = 0 \Rightarrow \rho(0) = -\pi \langle \bar{q}q \rangle$

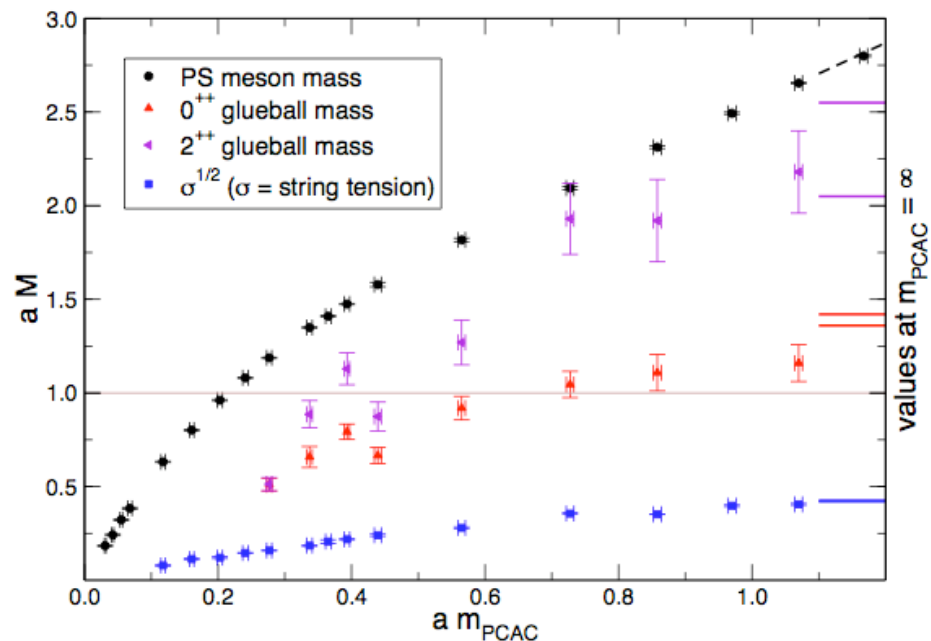
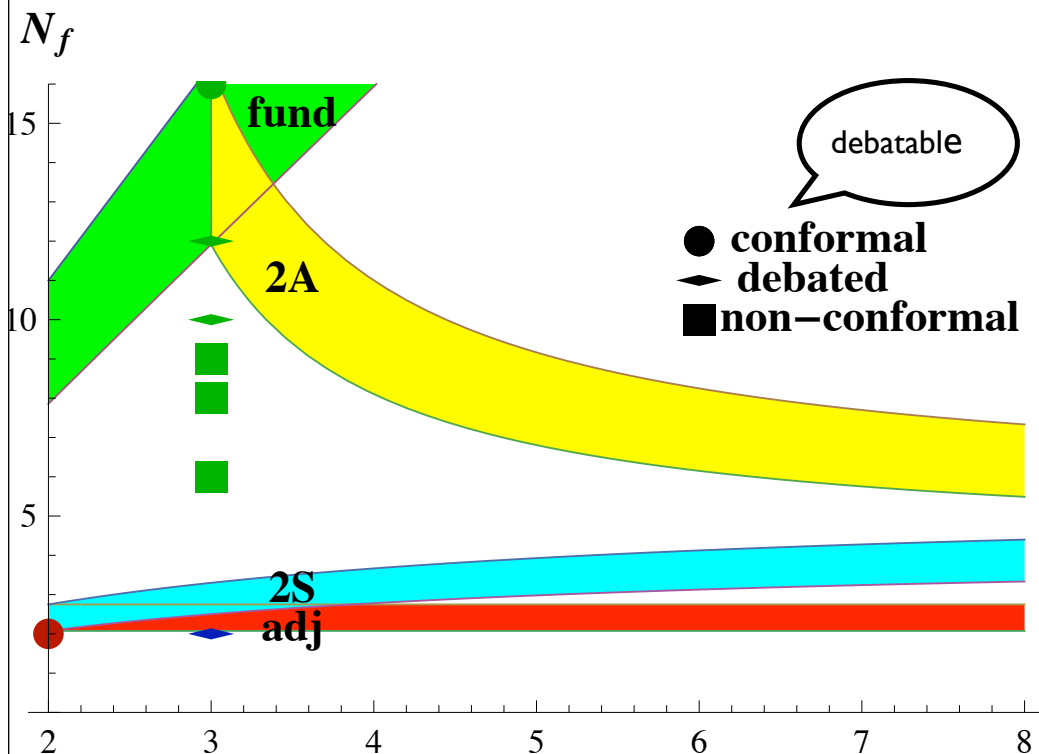
mCGT: another way to measure anomalous dimension

Banks, Casher'80

DeGrand'09
DelDebbio RZ'10 May

Lattice results

control systematics $a \rightarrow 0, V \rightarrow \infty$ and scaling $m \Rightarrow$ challenging



Del Debbio et al SU(2) adj

Methods:

- spectral studies (scaling laws)
- β -fct through stepsize scaling
- enhancement of $\langle qq \rangle / f_{\pi}^3$ for WTC (no parametric control)

- SU(3) fund. (code exists)
- SU(2) adj=2S MWTC
- SU(3) 2S (hextet) NMWTC

(trend towards parity doubling for $N_F = 6$)
 consensus $0.05 < \gamma^* < 0.56$ glueballs lighter mesons
 maybe conformal $\gamma^* < 0.6$

Epilogue

- ★ People have accepted that identification of conformal window is more difficult than anticipated (need more CPU-time)
- ★ Some tools e.g. hyperscaling laws are there but more would be better in order to settle debates
“The more cross checks the more robust numerical results become”
- ★ Conformal gauge theories have been identified -- qualitatively confirm conformal window plots from DS-eqns
- ★ Anomalous mass dimension significantly below $\gamma^* < 1$ (unitarity bound of $\gamma^* < 2$ not nearly reached so far!)
- ★ Numerical results for S-parameter are eagerly awaited.
First study has been reported by DeGrand'10

Thanks for your attention!

Backup slides ...

Some relevant/useful references

- ★ Miransky hep-ph/9812350 spectrum (with mass) as signal of conformal window works with pole mass -- weak coupling regime $\Lambda_{YM} \cong m \text{Exp}[-1/b_{YM} \alpha^*]$
 - ⇒ glueballs lighter than mesons
- ★ Luty Okui JHEP'96 conformal technicolor propose spectrum as signal of cw
- ★ Dietrich/Sannino PRD'07 conformal window SU(N) higher representation using Dyson-Schwinger techniques known from WTC
- ★ Sannino/RZ PRD'08 $\langle qq \rangle$ done heuristically IR and UV effects understood 0905
- ★ DelDebbio et al ArXiv 0907 Mass lowest state from RGE equation
- ★ DeGrand scaling $\langle qq \rangle$ stated ArXiv 0910
- ★ DelDebbio RZ ArXiv 0905 scaling of vacuum condensates, all lowest lying states
- ★ DelDebbio RZ ArXiv 0909 scaling extended to entire spectrum and all local matrix elements

remarks S-parameter

Analytical guidance S-parameter: $S = 4\pi\Pi_{V-A}(0) - \text{pion pole}$

$$(q^\mu q^\nu - q^2 g^{\mu\nu})\delta_{ab}\Pi_{V-A}(q^2) = i \int d^4x e^{iq\cdot x} \langle 0|T (V_a^\mu(x)V_b^\nu(0) - (V \leftrightarrow A))|0\rangle$$

$$\Pi_{V-A}(q^2) \simeq \frac{f_V^2}{m_V^2 - q^2} - \frac{f_A^2}{m_A^2 - q^2} - \frac{f_P^2}{m_P^2 - q^2} + \dots$$

*modulo
(conspiracy) cancellations
improve on ...*

$$\Pi_{V-A}^{\text{W-TC}}(0) \sim O(m^{-1})$$

$$\Pi_{V-A}^{\text{mCGT}}(0) \sim O(m^0)$$

$$\Pi_{V-A}^{\text{mCGT}}(q^2) \sim \frac{m^{2/y_m}}{q^2}$$

for $-q^2 \gg (\Lambda_U)^2$

← Sannino'10 free theory

⇒ lattice determination coming soon (already some market)

Another look at the β -function

★ Consider the again the trace (scale) anomaly:

$$\theta_\alpha^\alpha|_{\text{on-shell}} = \frac{1}{2g}\beta G^2 + N_f m(1 + \gamma_m)\bar{q}q$$

★ Evaluate it on any hadronic state $|H\rangle$ and solve for β :

$$\beta = \frac{A_H + \gamma_m B_H}{G_H}$$

$$A_H = 2M_H^2 - mN_f \langle H|\bar{q}q|H\rangle,$$

$$B_H = mN_f \langle H|\bar{q}q|H\rangle,$$

$$G_H = \langle H|G^2|H\rangle.$$

● Ratios of A_H/G_H & B_H/G_H independent

● Form β -function close to NSVZ β (for N=1 SUSY gauge theories)

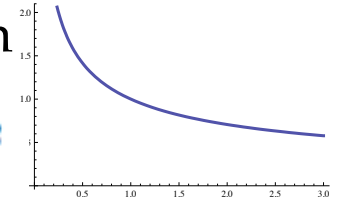
$$\beta_{NSVZ} = -\frac{1}{16\pi^2} \frac{3T_G - T_R(1+\gamma)}{1 - T_G/(8\pi^2)}$$

Heuristic look

- ★ Deconstruct the continuous spectrum of a two point function
Infinite sum of adjusted particles can mimick continuous spectrum

Stephanov'07

$$\bar{q}q(x) \sim \sum_n f_n \varphi_n(x); \quad \langle \varphi_n | \bar{q}q | 0 \rangle \sim f_n, \quad \begin{cases} f_n^2 = \delta^2 (M_n^2)^{\Delta_{qq}-2} \\ M_n^2 = n\delta^2 \end{cases}$$



- ★ Adding mass term looks like tadpole.
⇒ find new minimum -- add M_n to potential

$$\mathcal{L} = -m \sum_n f_n \varphi_n - 1/2 \sum_n M_n^2 \varphi_n^2$$

Delgado, Espinosa, Quiros'07

- ★ Solve $m f_n + M_n^2 \varphi_n = 0 \Rightarrow \langle \varphi_n \rangle = -m f_n / M_n^2$ and reinsert:

$$\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \sim \sum_n f_n \langle \varphi_n \rangle = -m \sum_n \frac{f_n^2}{M_n^2} \xrightarrow{\delta \rightarrow 0} -m \int_{\Lambda_{\text{IR}}^2}^{\Lambda_{\text{UV}}^2} s^{\Delta_{qq}-3} ds$$

- Λ_{UV} : $\Delta_{qq} = 3$ find quadratic divergence known from Leutwyler-Smilga rep.
- Λ_{IR} : 1) $\Lambda_{\text{IR}} \sim M_{\text{H}} \sim m^{1/(1+\gamma)}$ or use $(M_{\text{dyn}})^{\Delta_{qq}} \sim \langle qq \rangle$ generalizing Politzer OPE.
and confirm $\eta_{qq} = \Delta_{qq} / (1+\gamma) !$

Mass & decay constant trajectory

★ At large- N_c neglect width \rightarrow $g_{H_n} \equiv \langle 0 | \mathcal{O} | H_n \rangle$ (decay constant)

$$\Delta(q^2) \sim \int_x e^{ixq} \langle 0 | \mathcal{O}(x) \mathcal{O}(0) | 0 \rangle = \sum_n \frac{|g_{H_n}|^2}{q^2 + M_{H_n}^2}$$

★ In limit $m \rightarrow 0$ (scale invariant correlator)

$$\Delta(q^2) = \int_0^\infty \frac{ds s^{1-\gamma_*}}{q^2+s} + \text{s.t.} \propto (q^2)^{1-\gamma_*}$$

★ Solution are given by:

$$M_{H_n}^2 \sim \alpha_n m^{\frac{2}{1+\gamma_*}}, \quad g_{H_n}^2 \sim \alpha'_n (\alpha_n)^{1-\gamma_*} m^{\frac{2(2-\gamma_*)}{1+\gamma_*}}$$

where α_n arbitrary function (corresponds freedom change of variables in f)

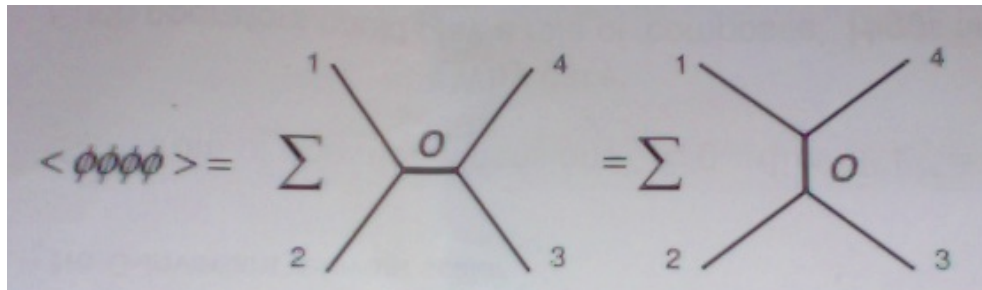
★ QCD expect $\alpha_n \sim n$ (linear radial Regge-trajectory) (few more words)

★ For those who know: resembles deconstruction Stephanov'07

difference physical interpretation of spacing due to scaling spectrum

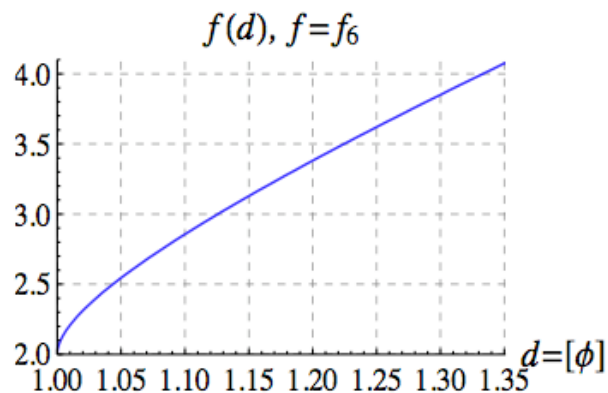
Addendum (bounds scaling dimension)

- ★ assume add $L = mqq$ (N.B. not a scalar under global flavour symmetry!)
- ★ using bootstrap ('associative' OPE on 4pt function) possible to obtain upper-bound on scaling dimension Δ of lowest operator in OPE



non-singlet

Rattazzi, Rychkov Tonni & Vichi'08



1.35 still rather close to unitarity bound

singlet $\Delta \leq 4$

allows for Δ_{qq} to be:

Rattazzi, Rychkov & Vichi '10

G	$U(1) \equiv SO(2)$	$SO(3)$	$SO(4)$	$SU(2)$	$SU(3)$
d_*	1.063 ($k=2$)	1.032 ($k=2$)	1.017 ($k=2$)	1.016	1.003
	1.12 ($k=4$)	1.08 ($k=4$)	1.06 ($k=4$)	($k=2$)	($k=2$)

very close to unitarity bound!

good news for Luty's conformal TC