

# **Lattice study of a technicolor dark matter candidate**

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# Quantum numbers of the techniquarks

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In the SU(2) technicolor model,

- $U$  is a technicolor doublet (fundamental representation).
- $D$  is a technicolor doublet (fundamental representation).
- $U$  and  $D$  do not carry QCD color.
- $U_L$  and  $D_L$  form a weak doublet.
- $U_R$  and  $D_R$  are weak singlets.
- $U$  has electric charge  $+1/2$ .
- $D$  has electric charge  $-1/2$ .

This model has an extra Goldstone boson,  
which is a natural candidate for light asymmetric dark matter.

Extensions of this simple model would be straightforward to implement.

# Chiral symmetry breaking in QCD

$$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \rightarrow SU(2)_V$$

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- Neglecting  $u$  and  $d$  quark masses, the Lagrangian has global  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ :

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} + i\bar{q}_L \gamma^\mu D_\mu q_L + i\bar{q}_R \gamma^\mu D_\mu q_R$$
$$q_L = \begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d_L \end{pmatrix}$$
$$q_R = \begin{pmatrix} u_R \\ d_R \end{pmatrix}$$

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- With degenerate  $u$  and  $d$  quark masses, the Lagrangian has global  $SU(2)_V$ :

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = -m\bar{q}_R q_L + \text{h.c.}$$

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DYNAMICAL SYMMETRY BREAKING:

- Even without  $u$  and  $d$  quark masses, the hadron spectrum is  $SU(2)_V$  multiplets, not  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$  multiplets.

For example,  $m_{\rho^\pm} \approx m_{\rho^0} \neq m_{a_1^\pm} \approx m_{a_1^0}$ .

# Chiral symmetry breaking in SU(2) technicolor

$$SU(4) \rightarrow Sp(4)$$

Appelquist, Rodrigues da Silva & Sannino, PRD60, 116007 (1999)

Ryttov & Sannino, PRD78, 115010 (2008)

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- Neglecting  $U$  and  $D$  quark masses, the Lagrangian has global SU(4):

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} + i\bar{Q}\gamma^\mu D_\mu Q$$
$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} U_L \\ D_L \\ -i\sigma^2 C \bar{U}_R^T \\ -i\sigma^2 C \bar{D}_R^T \end{pmatrix}$$

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- With degenerate  $U$  and  $D$  quark masses, the Lagrangian has global Sp(4):

$$\delta\mathcal{L} = \frac{m}{2}Q^T(-i\sigma^2 C)EQ + \text{h.c.}, \quad E = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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HYPOTHESIS (dynamical symmetry breaking):

- Even without  $U$  and  $D$  quark masses, the hadron spectrum is Sp(4) multiplets, not SU(4) multiplets.

# Seeing the SU(4) and Sp(4) symmetries

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Act on the Lagrangian with an infinitesimal SU(4) transformation defined by

$$Q \rightarrow \left( 1 + i \sum_{n=1}^{15} \alpha^n T^n \right) Q$$

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- The kinetic terms are invariant because the fundamental representation is real. This is true for  $N_{TC} = 2$  but not for  $N_{TC} > 2$ .
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- The mass terms are not invariant under SU(4):

$$\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} + \frac{im}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{15} \alpha^n Q^T (-i\sigma^2 C) \left( ET^n + T^{nT} E \right) Q + \text{h.c.}$$

Only 10 of the 15 generators leave  $\mathcal{L}$  invariant: those that obey  $ET^n + T^{nT} E = 0$ . These 10 generators define an Sp(4) Lie algebra.

$$\text{Recall: } E = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

# Anticipating dynamical symmetry breaking

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In QCD, the nonzero vacuum expectation value is  $\langle \bar{u}u \rangle = \langle \bar{d}d \rangle \neq 0$ .

This has the same form as the (degenerate) explicit mass terms.

Therefore dynamical breaking has the same structure as explicit breaking:

$$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \rightarrow SU(2)_V$$

The 3 broken generators require 3 Goldstone bosons:  $\pi^+$ ,  $\pi^-$ ,  $\pi^0$ .

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In the  $SU(2)$  technicolor model, we expect  $\langle \bar{U}U \rangle = \langle \bar{D}D \rangle \neq 0$ .

This has the same form as the (degenerate) explicit mass terms.

Therefore dynamical breaking would have the same structure as explicit breaking:

$$SU(4) \rightarrow Sp(4)$$

The 5 broken generators would require 5 Goldstone bosons.

We see these 5 Goldstone bosons in our lattice simulations.

# Technihadron operators

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local operators for **technimesons**:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{O}_{\overline{U}D}^{(\Gamma)}(x) &= \overline{U}(x)\Gamma D(x) \\ \mathcal{O}_{\overline{D}U}^{(\Gamma)}(x) &= \overline{D}(x)\Gamma U(x) \\ \mathcal{O}_{\overline{U}U\pm\overline{D}D}^{(\Gamma)}(x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\overline{U}(x)\Gamma U(x) \pm \overline{D}(x)\Gamma D(x)\right)\end{aligned}$$

local operators for **technibaryons** (techni-diquarks):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{O}_{UD}^{(\Gamma)}(x) &= U^T(x)(-i\sigma^2 C)\Gamma D(x) \\ \mathcal{O}_{DU}^{(\Gamma)}(x) &= D^T(x)(-i\sigma^2 C)\Gamma U(x) \\ \mathcal{O}_{UU}^{(\Gamma)}(x) &= U^T(x)(-i\sigma^2 C)\Gamma U(x) \\ \mathcal{O}_{DD}^{(\Gamma)}(x) &= D^T(x)(-i\sigma^2 C)\Gamma D(x)\end{aligned}$$

Note:  $\Gamma = 1$  or  $\gamma^5$  or  $\gamma^\mu$  or ... is any Dirac structure.

# Technihadron correlation functions

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Put a creation operator at time  $t_x$  and an annihilation operator at time  $t_y$ .

Technimeson example:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{\bar{U}D}^{(\Gamma)}(t_x - t_y) &= \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\vec{y}} \mathcal{O}_{\bar{U}D}^{(\Gamma)}(y) \left( \mathcal{O}_{\bar{U}D}^{(\Gamma)}(x) \right)^\dagger \\
 &= \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\vec{y}} \text{Tr} \left[ \Gamma D(y) \bar{D}(x) \gamma^0 \Gamma^\dagger \gamma^0 U(x) \bar{U}(y) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

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 &= \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\vec{y}} \text{Tr} \left[ \Gamma D(y) \bar{D}(x) \gamma^0 \Gamma^\dagger (-i\sigma^2 C)^\dagger \gamma^{0T} \bar{U}^T(x) U^T(y) (-i\sigma^2 C) \right] \\
 &= \sum_{\vec{x}} \sum_{\vec{y}} \text{Tr} \left[ \Gamma D(y) \bar{D}(x) \gamma^0 \Gamma^\dagger \gamma^0 U(x) \bar{U}(y) \right] \\
 &= C_{\bar{U}D}^{(\Gamma)}(t_x - t_y)
 \end{aligned}$$

In this way, each technibaryon is mass-degenerate with a technimeson.

# Parity partners and Goldstone bosons

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The degenerate pairs have equal angular momentum but **opposite parities**:

$$\begin{aligned} J \left( \mathcal{O}_{UD}^{(\Gamma)} \right) &= J \left( \mathcal{O}_{\bar{U}\bar{D}}^{(\Gamma)} \right) \\ P \left( \mathcal{O}_{UD}^{(\Gamma)} \right) &= -P \left( \mathcal{O}_{\bar{U}\bar{D}}^{(\Gamma)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Because of this, we expect the 5 Goldstone bosons to be

- the **pseudoscalars**  $\Pi^+$  and  $\Pi^-$
- their degenerate **scalars**  $\Pi_{UD}$  and  $\Pi_{\bar{U}\bar{D}}$
- the neutral **pseudoscalar**  $\Pi^0$  (which has no technibaryon partner)

The 3 pseudoscalars will be eaten by W and Z.

The 2 scalars are our dark matter candidate and its antiparticle.

# Choices for our lattice explorations

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The [Wilson action](#) is used for technicolor:

$$S_W = \frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{x,\mu,\nu} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2} \text{ReTr} U_\mu(x) U_\nu(x + \hat{\mu}) U_\mu^\dagger(x + \hat{\nu}) U_\nu^\dagger(x) \right) + (4 + m_0) \sum_x \bar{\psi}(x) \psi(x) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,\mu} \left( \bar{\psi}(x) (1 - \gamma_\mu) U_\mu(x) \psi(x + \hat{\mu}) + \bar{\psi}(x + \hat{\mu}) (1 + \gamma_\mu) U_\mu^\dagger(x) \psi(x) \right)$$

Two choices for  $\beta$  gives [two lattice spacings](#).

Six choices of  $m_0$  give [six techniquark masses](#) per  $\beta$ .

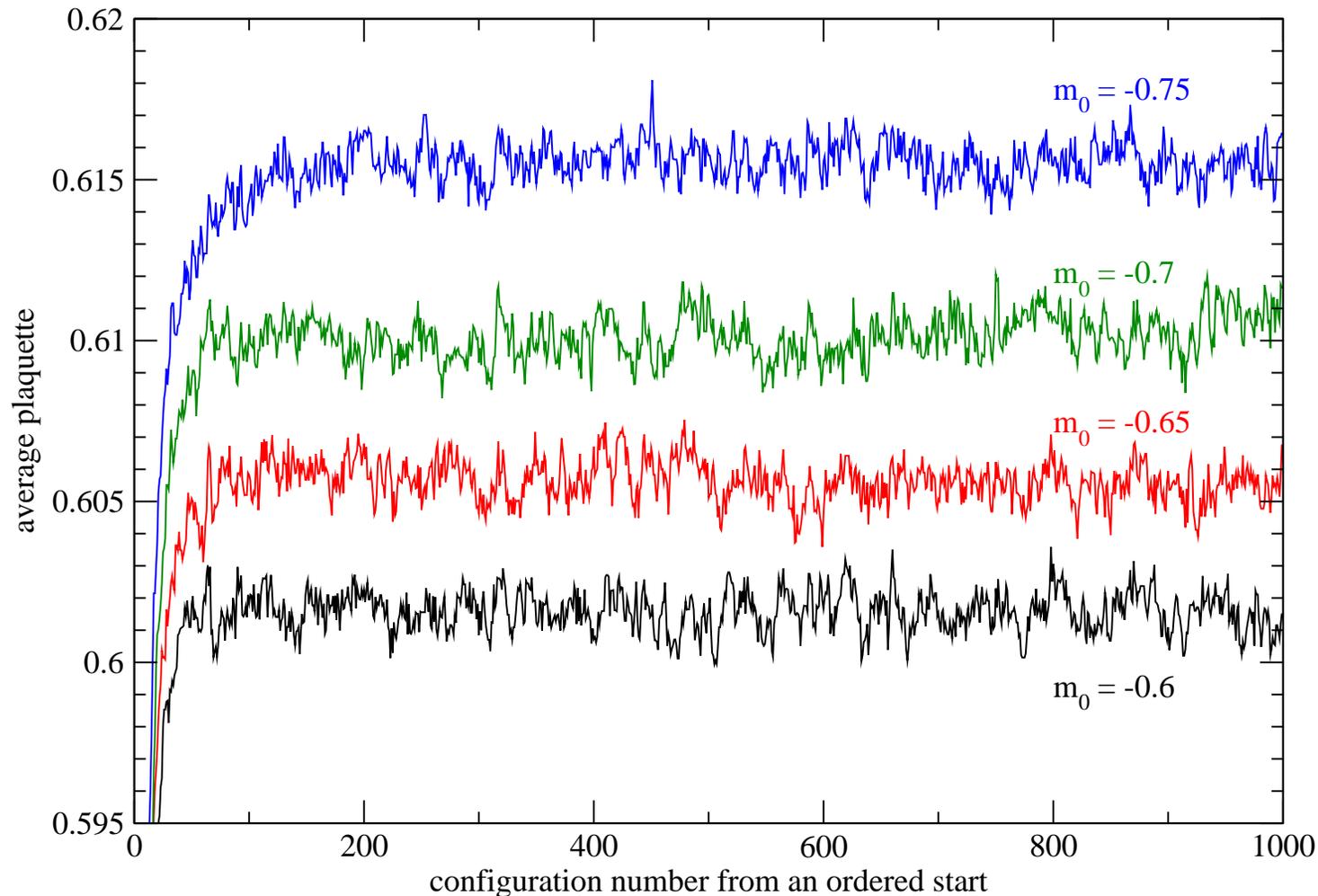
$\beta$	$m_0$
2.0	-0.85, -0.90, -0.94, -0.945, -0.947, -0.949
2.2	-0.60, -0.65, -0.68, -0.70, -0.72, -0.75

All lattices are  $16^3 \times 32$ .

Electroweak interactions are omitted from the simulations.

# Creating ensembles of gauge fields

Raw data for  $\beta = 2.2$ .



We define each ensemble =  $\{\text{cfg320}, \text{cfg340}, \text{cfg360}, \dots, \text{cfg1000}\}$ .

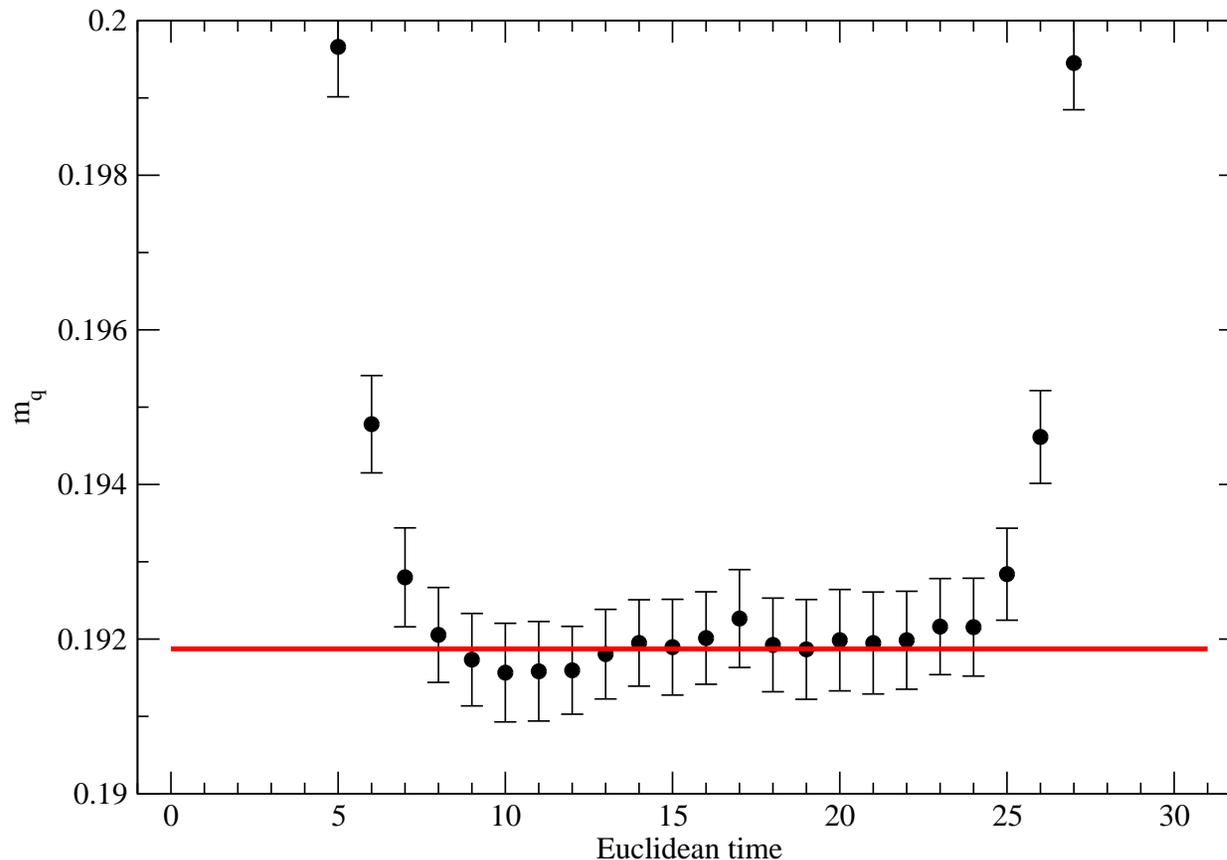
Techniquark propagators are random  $U(1)$  wall sources, averaged over each time step.

# Determining a techniquark mass

For lattice, a convenient definition of quark mass comes from PCAC:

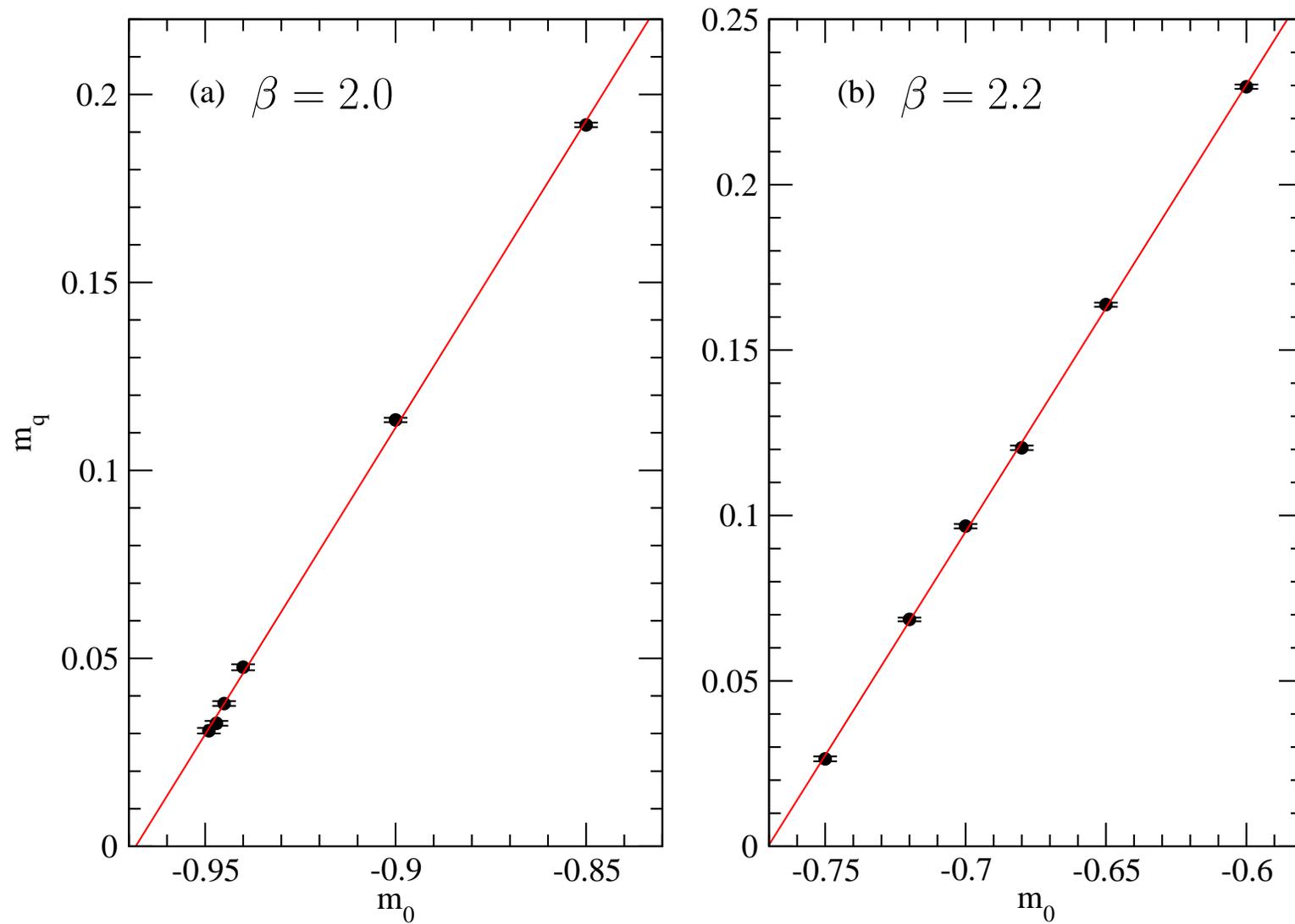
$$m_q = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\langle A_4(t+1)P(0) \rangle - \langle A_4(t-1)P(0) \rangle}{4\langle P(t)P(0) \rangle} \right),$$

Here is the example of  $\beta = 2.2$  and  $m_0 = -0.75$ :



# The PCAC mass is linear in the bare mass

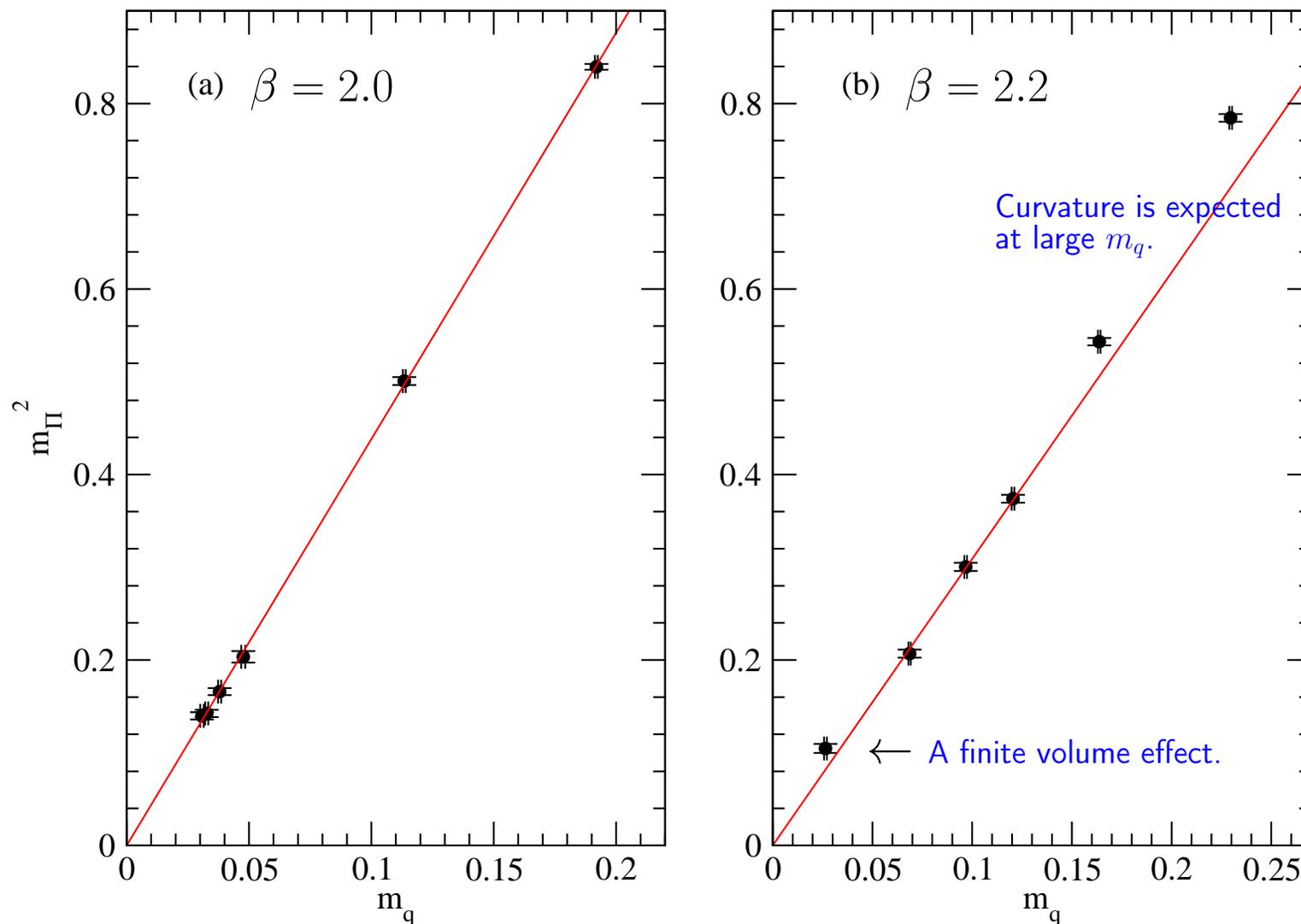
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# Observing the Goldstone bosons

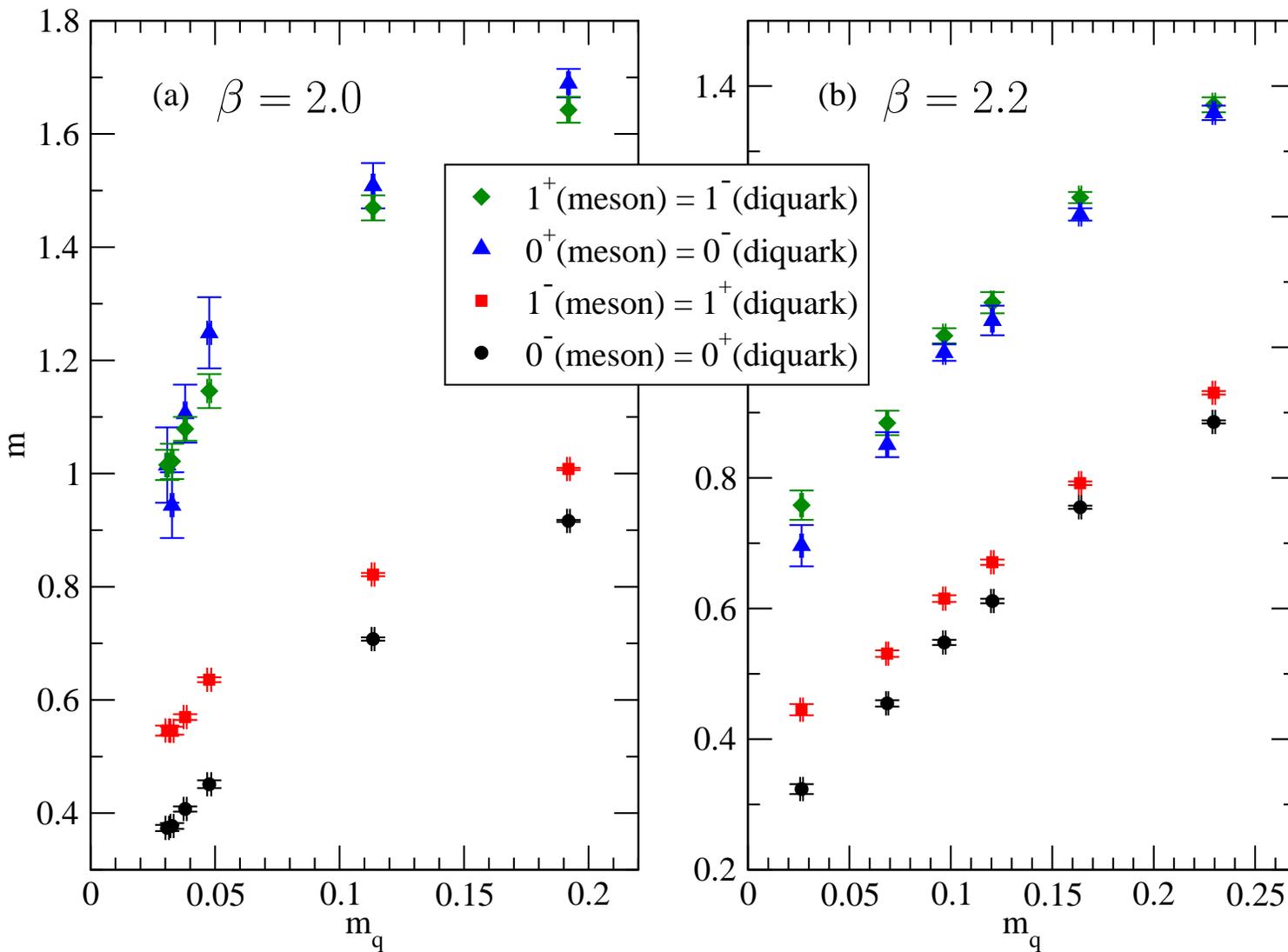
The expected behavior,  $m_{\Pi}^2 \propto m_q$  for small  $m_q$ , is observed.

These plots apply to all five Goldstone bosons.



Note: These are 3-state fits to all time steps (except the source).

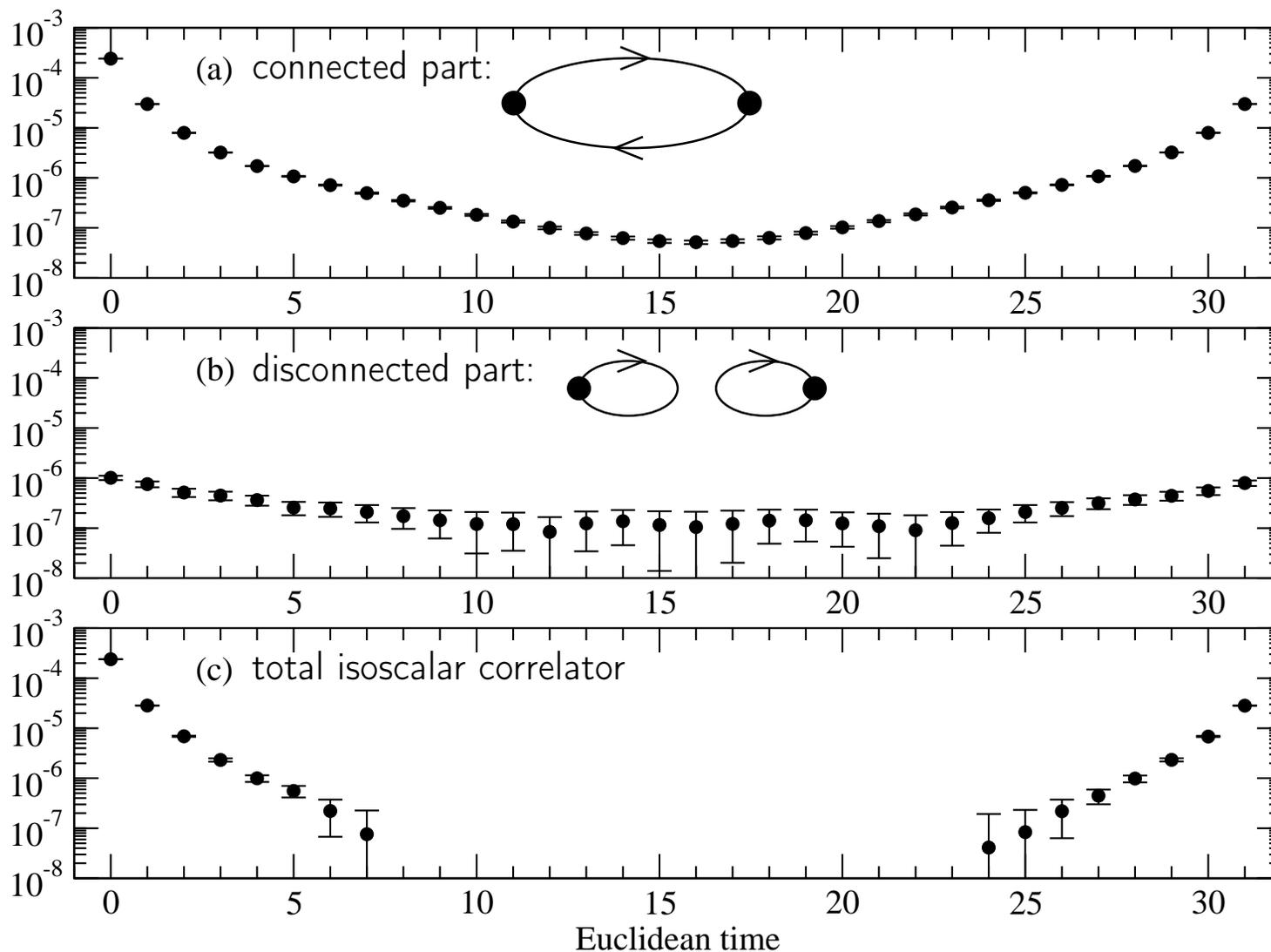
# Exploring the spectrum of technihadron masses



Extrapolation to  $m_q = 0$  gives nonzero masses to non-Goldstones.

For  $\beta = 2.2$ , all masses extrapolate to below the lattice cutoff,  $m \sim 1$ .

# Isoscalar pseudoscalar meson



(a) shows our **signal** for the **isovector** Goldstone boson.

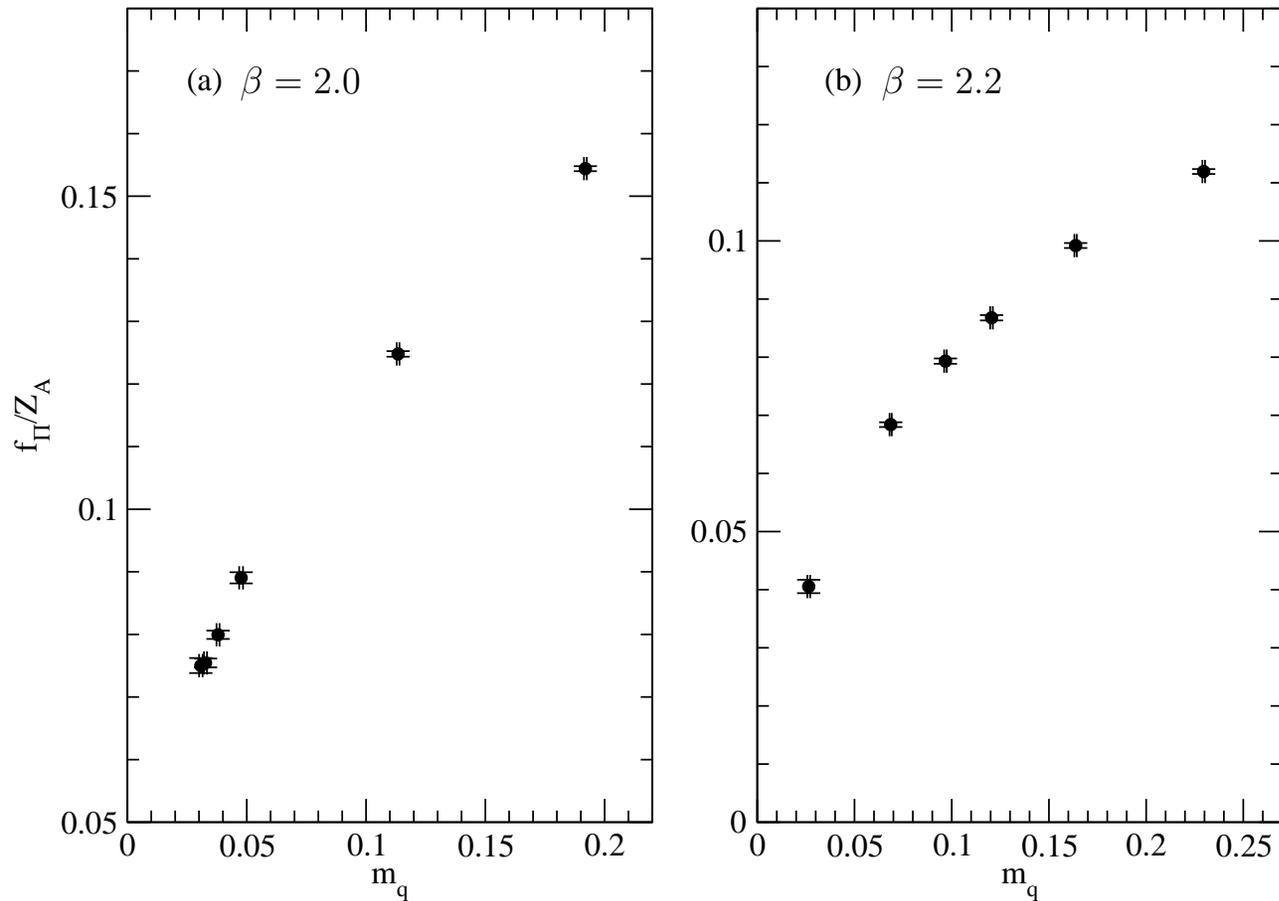
(c) shows **no signal** for any **isoscalar** Goldstone boson.

# Goldstone decay constant (up to renormalization)

$$\langle A_4(t)A_4(0) \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{2m_j}{\sqrt{L^3}} \left( \frac{f_j}{Z_A} \right)^2 \cosh \left( m_j \left( t - \frac{T}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$\langle A_4(t)P(0) \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{m_j}{2m_q Z_P} \right) \frac{2m_j}{\sqrt{L^3}} \left( \frac{f_j}{Z_A} \right)^2 \cosh \left( m_j \left( t - \frac{T}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$\langle P(t)P(0) \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \frac{m_j}{2m_q Z_P} \right)^2 \frac{2m_j}{\sqrt{L^3}} \left( \frac{f_j}{Z_A} \right)^2 \cosh \left( m_j \left( t - \frac{T}{2} \right) \right)$$



# An effective theory for the five Goldstones

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Since  $\frac{m_\rho}{(f_\Pi/Z_A)} = O(10)$ , we can integrate out all but the five Goldstones.

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The effective Lagrangian couple according to

$$\begin{aligned}\delta\mathcal{L}_G &= \sum_{n=1}^5 \left( Q^T (-i\sigma^2 C) \gamma^5 T^n Q \right) \Pi^n \\ &= Q^T (-i\sigma^2 C) \gamma^5 \mathcal{G} Q \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{G} = \frac{i}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sqrt{2}\Pi_{UD} & \Pi^0 & \sqrt{2}\Pi^+ \\ -\sqrt{2}\Pi_{UD} & 0 & \sqrt{2}\Pi^- & -\Pi^0 \\ -\Pi^0 & -\sqrt{2}\Pi^- & 0 & -\sqrt{2}\Pi_{\overline{UD}} \\ -\sqrt{2}\Pi^+ & \Pi^0 & \sqrt{2}\Pi_{\overline{UD}} & 0 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

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Similar to Rytov&Sannino,PRD78(2008)115010, the resulting effective Lagrangian is

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} [D_\mu \mathcal{G} D^\mu \mathcal{G}^\dagger] + \dots \quad (\text{linear form}) \\ \mathcal{L} &= f_\Pi^2 \text{Tr} [\omega_\mu^\perp \omega^{\perp\mu}] + \dots \quad (\text{nonlinear form})\end{aligned}$$

where  $\omega^\perp$  contains an exponential of the Goldstone fields as well as a covariant derivative.

# Summary

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SU(2) technicolor with two techniquarks contains an extra Goldstone boson, which is a natural candidate for light asymmetric dark matter.

Our lattice exploration

- confirmed the symmetry-breaking pattern:  $SU(4) \rightarrow Sp(4)$ .
- explored the mass spectrum of the lightest technihadrons.
- established an effective field theory.

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