### Hadron spectra and $\Delta_{mix}$ from overlap quarks on a HISQ sea.

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- ILGTI program studying meson and baryon spectra, heavy-light decay constants.
- Using a mixed-action approach:
  - ► MILC-generated 2+1+1 HISQ ensembles, with overlap valence fermions.
  - $\blacktriangleright$   $\rightarrow$  Fully dynamical charm at several lattice spacings, with a theoretically clean (but computationally expensive) valence sector.
- We would like to characterise mixed-action effects, which in  $MA\chi PT$  manifest in a single parameter,  $\Delta_{mix}$ .
- Determination of  $\Delta_{mix}$  is of general interest for mixed-action strategies using the HISQ ensembles.

- Ensembles
- Theory Background.
- Results.
- Comparative Analysis.
- Summary.

#### Charmed hadron spectroscopy.



See upcoming talk by Padmanath M.

MILC-generated gauge configurations w/  $N_f = 2 + 1 + 1$  HISQ (highly improved staggered) action. [1212.4768]

- charm quark  $\sim$  physical
- strange quark  $\sim$  physical
- $m_l/m_s = 1/5$

$24^3 \times 64$	a = 0.121  fm	$m_{\pi} = 305 \text{ MeV}$
$32^3 \times 96$	$a=0.089~{\rm fm}$	$m_{\pi} = 313 \text{ MeV}$
$48^3 \times 144$	a = 0.058  fm	$m_{\pi} = 319 \text{ MeV}$

We generate overlap propagators on these configurations for a range of masses (multi-mass methods).

- No  $\mathcal{O}(a)$  errors.
- Good chiral properties.
- Computationally expensive.

- Low energy chiral effective Lagrangian can be described using MA $\chi$ PT.
- The mixed action Lagrangian contains only one additional operator + a low energy constant,  $C_{\text{mix}} \langle \tau_3 \Sigma \tau_3 \Sigma^{\dagger} \rangle$ . [0503009]
- This operator shifts "mixed" meson masses in chiral formulae:  $m_{vs}^2 \rightarrow m_{vs}^2 + a^2 \Delta_{\text{mix}}$ , [0706.0035] with  $\Delta_{\text{mix}} \equiv 16C_{\text{mix}}/f^2$
- $\Delta_{\text{mix}}$  generically enters extrapolation formulae at the one-loop level, and in particular expressions for pseudoscalar decay constants, and baryon masses. [0508019]

Leading order expressions for pion masses constructed from valence (v) and sea (s) action propagators are given as follows:

$$m_{vv'}^2 = B_{\rm ov}(m_v + m_{v'}) \tag{1}$$

$$m_{ss'}^2 = B_{\text{HISQ}}(m_s + m_{s'}) + a^2 \Delta_t \quad [\Delta_{\text{GB}} = 0]$$
 (2)

$$m_{vs}^2 = B_{\rm ov}m_v + B_{\rm HISQ}m_s + a^2\Delta_{\rm mix}\,.$$
 (3)

 $\Delta_{\rm mix}$  can be determined for example from the y-intercept of the function

$$\delta m^2(m_v) \equiv m_{vs}^2 - m_{ss}^2/2 = B_{\rm ov} m_v + a^2 \Delta_{\rm mix} \,. \tag{4}$$

- We construct pion correlation functions using propagators of both the valence and the sea action.
- Mixed-meson correlation functions are constructed using one overlap propagator and one *Wilsonized* staggered propagator:

$$G_{\psi_s}(x,y) = \Omega(x)\Omega^{\dagger}(y) \times G_{\chi}(x,y), \qquad (5)$$

where  $\Omega(x)$  is the Kawamoto-Smit transformation

$$\Omega(x) = \prod_{\mu} (\gamma_{\mu})^{x_{\mu}} \,. \tag{6}$$

• Mixed-meson correlators are fit to the form

$$C_{vs}^{\Gamma}(t) \sim [A + (-1)^{t}B] \cosh(m_{vs}(t - T/2)).$$
 (7)

Results – 
$$\delta m^2(m_v)$$



 $\rightarrow r_1^2 a^2 \Delta_{\text{mix}} = 0.104(9)$ . Result is insensitive to  $m_s$ .

On the coarse  $(a \sim 0.12 \text{ fm})$  HISQ ensemble we obtain  $r_1^2 a^2 \Delta_{\text{mix}} = 0.104(9) \rightarrow \Delta_{\text{mix}} \simeq 0.11 \text{ GeV}^4.$ 

Other results in the literature include

- DW on Asqtad ( $a \sim 0.12$  fm):  $r_1^2 a^2 \Delta_{\text{mix}} = 0.207(16) \rightarrow \Delta_{\text{mix}} \simeq 0.21 \text{ GeV}^4$  [0803.0129]
- Overlap on DW:  $\Delta_{mix} \simeq 0.03 \text{ GeV}^4$  [1204.6256]

Comparison with taste splittings  $\Delta_t$ .

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- We find a comparable (~ 2×) reduction in  $\Delta_{mix}$  for DW on Asqtad  $\rightarrow$  overlap on HISQ.
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# Summary

- $\Delta_{\text{mix}}$  encodes unphysical mixed-action effects, which enter chiral formulae (e.g. for baryon masses and decay constants) at the one-loop level.
- Its determination fixes the single additional LEC entering  $MA\chi PT$  at LO.
- On the coarse MILC HISQ ensembles  $(a \sim 0.12 \text{ fm})$  we find  $r_1^2 a^2 \Delta_{\text{mix}} = 0.104(9).$
- This is  $\sim 2 \times$  reduction in  $\Delta_{\text{mix}}$  from the corresponding Asqtad ensemble, and is roughly consistent with the reduction in taste splittings from Asqtad to HISQ.
- The calculation needs to be performed on  $a \sim 0.09$  fm,  $a \sim 0.06$  fm? ensembles to verify  $a^2$  scaling.

# Thank you!

### Additional Slides

#### Correlator fits



The mixed-meson correlators  $C_{vs}^{\Gamma}(t)$  all couple to the pion:  $m_0 = m_{vs}$ . [0705.0572]

